Assignment 2: Coding Basics

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OVERVIEW

This exercise accompanies the lessons in Environmental Data Analytics on coding basics.

Directions

- 1. Change "Student Name" on line 3 (above) with your name.
- 2. Work through the steps, **creating code and output** that fulfill each instruction.
- 3. Be sure to **answer the questions** in this assignment document.
- 4. When you have completed the assignment, **Knit** the text and code into a single PDF file.
- 5. After Knitting, submit the completed exercise (PDF file) to the dropbox in Sakai. Add your first and last name into the file name (e.g., "FirstLast_A02_CodingBasics.Rmd") prior to submission.

Basics Day 1

- 1. Generate a sequence of numbers from one to 100, increasing by fours. Assign this sequence a name.
- 2. Compute the mean and median of this sequence.
- 3. Ask R to determine whether the mean is greater than the median.
- 4. Insert comments in your code to describe what you are doing.

```
#1.
onetohundred<-seq(1,100,4) #creating a sequence: from, to, by
onetohundred

## [1] 1 5 9 13 17 21 25 29 33 37 41 45 49 53 57 61 65 69 73 77 81 85 89 93 97

#2.
mean(onetohundred) #finding mean

## [1] 49

median(onetohundred) #finding median

## [1] 49

#3.
mean(onetohundred)>median(onetohundred) #is mean greater than median
```

[1] FALSE

Basics Day 2

- 5. Create a series of vectors, each with four components, consisting of (a) names of students, (b) test scores out of a total 100 points, and (c) whether or not they have passed the test (TRUE or FALSE) with a passing grade of 50.
- 6. Label each vector with a comment on what type of vector it is.

- 7. Combine each of the vectors into a data frame. Assign the data frame an informative name.
- 8. Label the columns of your data frame with informative titles.

```
#5.
studentname<-c("Rory"=1, "Michelle"=2, "Sam"=3, "Corey"=4) #numeric
studentname
                                   Corey
##
       Rory Michelle
                           Sam
##
          1
                             3
class(studentname)
## [1] "numeric"
testscores<-c(80, 70, 90, 60) #numeric
testscores
## [1] 80 70 90 60
class(testscores)
## [1] "numeric"
passed<-c(TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE) #logical</pre>
passed
## [1] TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE
class(passed)
## [1] "logical"
#7.
studentscorepassed<-as.data.frame(studentname)</pre>
studentscorepassed
            studentname
## Rory
                       2
## Michelle
                       3
## Sam
## Corey
#8.
```

9. QUESTION: How is this data frame different from a matrix?

Answer:

- 10. Create a function with an if/else statement. Your function should determine whether a test score is a passing grade of 50 or above (TRUE or FALSE). You will need to choose either the if and else statements or the ifelse statement. Hint: Use print, not return. The name of your function should be informative.
- 11. Apply your function to the vector with test scores that you created in number 5.
- 12. QUESTION: Which option of if and else vs. ifelse worked? Why?

Answer: