

# Homework 1 - readable and efficient R code

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#####  
#INSTALL AND LOAD PACKAGES  
#####  
#install  
#install.packages("microbenchmark")  
  
#load  
library("microbenchmark")
```

## Question 1 - “function-alize” this code

```
#####  
#GENERATE DATA  
#####  
set.seed(1)  
x <- rnorm(100)  
z <- rnorm(100)  
  
#####  
#ORIGINAL CODE  
#####  
if (sum(x >= .001) < 1) {  
  stop("step 1 requires 1 observation(s) with value >= .001")  
}  
fit <- lm(x ~ z)  
r <- fit$residuals  
x <- sin(r) + .01  
if (sum(x >= .002) < 2) {  
  stop("step 2 requires 2 observation(s) with value >= .002")  
}  
fit <- lm(x ~ z)  
r <- fit$residuals  
x <- 2 * sin(r) + .02  
if (sum(x >= .003) < 3) {  
  stop("step 3 requires 3 observation(s) with value >= .003")  
}  
fit <- lm(x ~ z)  
r <- fit$residuals  
x <- 3 * sin(r) + .03
```

```

if (sum(x >= .004) < 4) {
  stop("step 4 requires 4 observation(s) with value >= .004")
}
fit <- lm(x ~ z)
r <- fit$residuals
x <- 4 * sin(r) + .04
x

```

```

##          1          2          3          4          5          6          7
## -1.0992886  1.4796352 -0.6516207  0.7865093  3.7873388 -0.2055179  3.8327000
##          8          9         10         11         12         13         14
##  2.0871822  3.2219962 -3.0933769  0.6399144  4.0325676 -0.7808135 -0.8326365
##         15         16         17         18         19         20         21
##  0.7073736 -3.2414091 -2.8376440  0.9776866  1.5608532  3.0227535  1.0117977
##         22         23         24         25         26         27         28
##  1.8922308 -1.0474880 -0.4636773  2.8222909 -3.4535959 -3.9591095 -0.5208395
##         29         30         31         32         33         34         35
## -1.9366900  4.0313764  0.7254867 -3.7758444  4.0170200 -3.2639844 -0.4572754
##         36         37         38         39         40         41         42
## -2.5234159 -2.5371644 -3.4025549  0.6499197  1.7909888 -3.9557224 -3.5524879
##         43         44         45         46         47         48         49
##  2.0066135  3.2915276 -0.9643167 -0.8508112  3.8888448  1.7701559 -3.8041387
##         50         51         52         53         54         55         56
##  0.9535984  4.0340296 -1.0616984  3.8507707 -0.6058260  0.4776386  0.5361922
##         57         58         59         60         61         62         63
## -2.6133980 -0.5347483  3.0972939 -3.9543801  1.0621806 -3.1799992  2.4340472
##         64         65         66         67         68         69         70
## -2.1800910 -0.7436082  1.3185751 -0.4879213  0.4959666  0.8098709  0.7497175
##         71         72         73         74         75         76         77
##  3.9472930 -0.6991699  2.9570004 -0.4460233 -0.5400743  3.3793674 -1.9905970
##         78         79         80         81         82         83         84
## -2.7888504 -1.2126583 -0.9658716 -1.4647239 -3.9458928  0.7544273 -0.7574175
##         85         86         87         88         89         90         91
##  3.0949240  3.7880760  1.0486519 -3.3233027  3.9897095  3.1324172 -1.4436191
##         92         93         94         95         96         97         98
##  0.7777796  0.5976052  2.3300564  0.5549268  3.2229364 -0.2445148 -1.4071426
##         99        100
## -0.4052558 -1.9274082

```

- Wrap it into a function `foobar0` which has arguments `x` and `z` and which returns the vector `x` at the end of the following code.

```

#####
#MY FUNCTION: foobar0
#####
foobar0 <- function(x, z){

  #first iteration
  if (sum(x >= .001) < 1) {
    stop("step 1 requires 1 observation(s) with value >= .001")
  }
  fit <- lm(x ~ z)
  r <- fit$residuals

```

```

x <- sin(r) + .01

#second iteration
if (sum(x >= .002) < 2) {
  stop("step 2 requires 2 observation(s) with value >= .002")
}
fit <- lm(x ~ z)
r <- fit$residuals
x <- 2 * sin(r) + .02

#third iteration
if (sum(x >= .003) < 3) {
  stop("step 3 requires 3 observation(s) with value >= .003")
}
fit <- lm(x ~ z)
r <- fit$residuals
x <- 3 * sin(r) + .03

#fourth iteration
if (sum(x >= .004) < 4) {
  stop("step 4 requires 4 observation(s) with value >= .004")
}
fit <- lm(x ~ z)
r <- fit$residuals
x <- 4 * sin(r) + .04

#return the vector
x
}

```

- Rewrite this into a function `foobar` which is easier to read, by reducing repetitive code. E.g. `foobar` might call a function to check the input, and another function to perform the three lines of computation.

```

#####
#MY FUNCTION: foobar
#####
#call the function to check the input
check_input <- function(x, i){

  if(sum(x >= .001*i) < i){
    stop(paste0("step ", i, " requires ", i, " observation(s) with value >= ", .001*i))
  }

}

#perform the three lines of computation
perform_computation <- function(x, z, i){

  fit <- lm(x~z)
  r <- fit$residuals
  x <- i * sin(r) + .01 * i

  #return

```

```

    x
  }

  #put it all together
  foobar <- function(x, z){
    for(i in 1:4){
      #check the input
      check_input(x, i)
      #perform the computation
      x <- perform_computation(x, z, i)
    }

    #return x
    x
  }

```

- Check that the two versions produce the same output using the function `all.equal`.

```

#####
#CHECK THAT THE FUNCTIONS HAVE THE SAME OUTPUT
#####
#first function
foobar0_output <- foobar0(x,z)

#second function
foobar_output <- foobar(x,z)

#equal?
all.equal(foobar0_output, foobar_output)

```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

## Question 2 - vectorize this code and benchmark

- Take the following function `f0` and rewrite it as a function `f`, which is faster and easier to read, by removing the loop of `i` from 1 to `m`.

```

#####
#GENERATE DATA
#####
n <- 30
p <- 50
p2 <- 25
m <- 1000
set.seed(1)
x <- matrix(rnorm(n*p),nrow=n,ncol=p)
b <- matrix(rnorm(m*p),nrow=m,ncol=p)
a <- matrix(rnorm(m*p2),nrow=m,ncol=p2)

```

```
#####
#ORIGINAL FUNCTION
#####
f0 <- function(x,b,a) {
  out <- numeric(0)
  for (i in seq_len(m)) {
    bb <- b[i,]
    aa <- a[i,]
    out <- c(out, sum(x %*% bb) + sum(aa))
  }
  out
}
```

```
#####
#MY FUNCTION
#####
f <- function(x,b,a){

  #vectorize sum(x %*% bb)
  first_part <- colSums(x %*% t(b))

  #vectorize sum(aa)
  second_part <- rowSums(a)

  #add them together
  out <- first_part + second_part

  #return the output
  out
}
```

```
#####
#CHECK THAT THE FUNCTIONS HAVE THE SAME OUTPUT
#####
#original
f0_outcome <- f0(x,b,a)

#mine
f_outcome <- f(x,b,a)

#equal?
all.equal(f0_outcome, f_outcome)
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

- Benchmark f and f0 using microbenchmark. How much faster is f?

```
#####
#BENCHMARK
#####
microbenchmark(f0(x,b,a), f(x,b,a))
```

```
## Unit: milliseconds
##      expr      min      lq      mean    median      uq      max neval
## f0(x, b, a) 5.060819 5.917895 11.730925 8.254344 11.034374 134.16568   100
##  f(x, b, a) 1.078703 1.246168  2.151903 1.731896  2.207136  17.32362   100
```

```
#f is 5 times faster than f0
```

## Question 3 - build a faster t-test

```
#####
#GENERATE DATA
#####
m <- 400
n <- 50
little.n <- n/2
set.seed(1)
x <- matrix(rnorm(m*n),nrow=m,ncol=n)
f <- gl(2,little.n)

dim(x[,f == "1"])
```

```
## [1] 400 25
```

```
table(f) #1
```

```
## f
## 1 2
## 25 25
```

```
dim(x) #400 rows and 50 columns
```

```
## [1] 400 50
```

```
#####
#ORIGINAL FUNCTION
#####
getT0 <- function(x, f) {
  ts <- sapply(seq_len(m), function(i) t.test(x[i,] ~ f, var.equal=TRUE)$statistic)
  unname(ts)
}
```

- Rewrite the following function `getT0` which computes `m` two-sample t-tests (equal variance) between two groups as a function `getT`, which is faster by using vectorized operations over the `m` sets of observations. (There are functions in R packages, such as `genefilter::rowttests` which will quickly perform this operation, but I want you to write your own function using simple R functions like `rowSums`, etc.)

Recall that the t-statistic for two-sample t-test with equal variance is:

$$t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{s_p^2(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2})}}$$

where

$$s_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$

where  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are the sample standard deviations.

Citation for equations: <https://www.theopeneducator.com/doe/hypothesis-Testing-Inferential-Statistics-Analysis-of-Variance-ANOVA/Two-Sample-T-Test-Equal-Variance>

```
#####  
#MY FUNCTION  
#####  
  
getT <- function(x, f){  
  
  #separate into the two groups  
  group_1 <- x[,f == "1"]  
  group_2 <- x[,f == "2"]  
  
  #get the size for the two groups  
  n_1 <- dim(group_1)[2]  
  n_2 <- dim(group_2)[2]  
  
  #mean of the the two groups  
  mean_1 <- rowSums(group_1)/n_1  
  mean_2 <- rowSums(group_2)/n_2  
  
  #sample standard deviation  
  std_1 <- apply(group_1, MARGIN = 1, FUN = sd)  
  std_2 <- apply(group_2, MARGIN = 1, FUN = sd)  
  
  #pooled standard error  
  std_error_sqrd <- ((n_1-1)*std_1^2 + (n_2-1)*std_2^2)/(n_1+n_2-2)  
  
  #numerator: t-statistic  
  num <- mean_1-mean_2  
  
  #denominator: t-statistic  
  denom <- sqrt(std_error_sqrd*((1/n_1)+(1/n_2)))  
  
  #calculate the t-statistic  
  t_stat <- num/denom  
  
  #return the t-statistic  
  t_stat  
}
```

```
#####  
#CHECK THAT THE FUNCTIONS HAVE THE SAME OUTPUT  
#####  
#original  
getT0_output <- getT0(x, f)  
  
#mine  
getT_outcome <- getT(x, f)
```

```
#equal?  
all.equal(getT0_output, getT_outcome)
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

- Benchmark `getT` and `getT0`. How much faster is `getT`?

```
#####  
#BENCHMARK  
#####  
microbenchmark(getT0(x, f), getT(x, f))
```

```
## Unit: milliseconds  
##      expr      min       lq      mean     median        uq       max  
## getT0(x, f) 256.145543 278.829295 312.17811 291.89434 305.13778 608.71506  
## getT(x, f)   8.544198   9.397574  11.27816  10.16323  12.30784  26.20488  
## neval  
##    100  
##    100
```

```
#getT is 20 times faster than getT0
```