

## General rules in R programming

Identifiers of variables accepts only alphabets 'A' – 'Z', 'a' – 'z', digits '0' – '9', underscore '

The first character can only be alphabet

# Inf stands for infinity; NaN stands for not a number Cannot use R reserved words

Case sensitive

### Variable assignment

Global assignment is permanently assign a value to a variable, denoted by <- or ->

Local assignment also assign value to a variable but it is temporary while within a function, denoted by =

### Variable management

# display a list of declared variables > ls() > rm(list = ls()) # discard all the declared variables

Vector # vector is a column vector by default

> vector[index] # extracts a value by its *index*; index can be a vector or a logical expression # results number of value in the *vector* 

> length(vector)

> c(vector1, vector2, ...) # combines values of vectors and convert into same data type

#### Data frame > data.frame(vector1, vector2, ...) # groups vectors to be a data frame; requires same length of each vector

# relabel the name of each value

 $\# \, var$  can be a value, a vector, or a matrix; number of arguments is number of dimensions  $\# \, extracts \, data \, by \, referencing its dimension$ 

# renaming the reference of dimensions # extracts data by referencing its dimens

# 3<sup>rd</sup> argument is increment; 4<sup>th</sup> argument is max length

# 3rd argument is number of repeats of each value

# returns number of rows

# returns number of columns

argument can be a vector which corresponds by location

and 3rd argument is restriction; 4th argument is FALSE by default

# if data does not fulfil the dimension, blank space fill by the same data # returns the rows and columns which are the size of *matrix* 

# index either a value or a vector; negative value excludes that index

# 2<sup>nd</sup> argument determines the size and number of dimensions

# merge matrix2 under matrix1: requires same number of columns

# merge matrix2 next to matrix1; requires same number of rows

# extracts value(s) by referencing its dimension

# outputs a character vector combined with its arguments

> summary(dataFrame) # outputs minimum, 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, median, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, maximu > dataFram\$vectorN[index] # extracts values by its column of vectorN > with(dataFrame, vectorN # gets direct access to vector without a sign of \$

Factor # effectively storing character vector with duplicated values # stores a *character vector* with levels # return a non-duplicated values > factor(vector) > levels(factor)

Converting data type

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> dim(*matrix*) > nrow(matrix)

> ncol(matrix)

List

Auto-generate a sequence of a vector

Auto-generate a repeat of a vector

> matrix(vector, nrow =, ncol =, byrow =)

> array(data = vector, dim = c(nrow, ncol, ndim))

> seq(from, to, by =, length =)

> rep(data, times, each =)

> matrix[indexRow, indexCol] > rbind(martix1, martix2, ...)

> cbind(martix1, martix2, ...)

> list(var1, var2, ...) > list[[dim]][index]

> unlist(list)

> array[,,dim][indexRow, indexCol]

> names(list) = c("name1", "name2", ...) > list\$name[index]

> levels(factor) = c("name1", "namm2", ...)

# convert data into "numeric" data; character will convert into NA; logical will be 1 or 0

> as.integer(data) # convert data into "integer" data # convert data into "character" data: all data will convert in terms of " " > as character(data)

Testing the type of data

> is.numeric(data) > is.integer(data) # test if data is numeric # test if data is integer > is.character(data) # test if data is character > is.matrix(*data*) # test if *data* is matrix # test if data is NA > is.na(data)

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Operator precedence



# Built-in functions

> options(digits =) # customise number of digits to display

> round(data, digits =) # rounding # always round up > ceiling(data) # always round down # ignore decimal places > floor(data) > trunc(data)

# sort data in ascending order; 2<sup>nd</sup> argument is FALSE by default > sort(data, descending =) sum of data

> sum(data) # returns a vector of cumulative summation > cumsum(data)

# product of *data* # returns a vector of cumulative production > prod(data) > cumprod(data)

> min(data) # returns min. > max(data) # returns max > range(data) # returns min. and max. > mean(data) # returns mean > var(data) # returns sample variance # returns sample standard deviation > sd(data)

# Simulation and Exploratory Data Analysis

Pseudorandom numbers

# set the sequence of random numbers > sample (data, size, replace=, prob=) # generate size of random number form data ame (n, arguments) # generate n random number from the probability distribution of RName

Probability under probability distributions

 $\mbox{\#}$  probability of x under the probability distribution of RName

•  $P\{X = x\} = P(x)$ # probability mass function (p.m.f.) •  $P{a < X < b} = \int_a^b f(x) dx$ # probability density function (p.d.f.)

# Cumulative probability under probability distributions

# cumulative probability of  $\boldsymbol{q}$  under the probability distribution of RName > pRName (q, arguments) •  $F(x) = \sum_{t=-\infty}^{x} p(t)$ # cumulative probability distribution function (c.d.f.) for discrete random variable •  $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(t) dt$ # cumulative probability distribution function (c.d.f.) for continuous random variable

# Quantiles under probability distributions

# result x value for probability p under the probability distribution of  ${\tt RName}$ 

Distribution	R name	Additional arguments
Uniform	unif	min = 0, $max = 1$
Binomial	binom	size, prob
Exponential	exp	rate = 1
Poisson	pois	lambda
Normal	norm	mean = 0, $sd = 1$

> apply (data, dimension, function) # apply function to dimension (1 for row; 2 for column) of data

Working directory

# return current file path > getwd()

> setwd("pathName") # set the file path
> edit(file = "fileName.r") # open on current path and launch a window's editor to edit fileName.r
> sources("fileName.r", echo=TRUE) # read codes from.r file along with commands in the file

Data frame > names (dataFrame) # return variable name stored in the dataFrame

# display top n (default 6) row of data; tail (data, n) display from the end > head (data, n) > tapply(df\$data1,df\$data2,function) # apply function to data1 (1 vector) grouped by data2
# apply function to data1 (multiple vectors) by data2 >by(df[,c(...)],df\$data2,function)

> split(df\$data1,df\$data2) > table(df\$data) # separate data1 by data2

# return the frequency of each value in data

Converting logical data to numeric

# convert TRUE to 1; FALSE+0 will convert to 0

> TRUE+0

Scatter plot >plot(data,...,main="title") # plot a scatter plot with variable data... >abline(Isfit(data,...)) # fit a least squares line between data, ...

> read.table("fileName.dat", header=TRUE) # read .dat with header row > write.table(df,"fileName.dat",row.names=FALSE)
> read.csv("fileName.csv",header=TRUE) # write .dat without row index # read .csv with header row > write.csv(df, "fileName.csv", row.names=FALSE) # write .csv without row index Histogram

# produces a histogram in frequency;  ${\tt FALSE}$  for density instead >hist(data,freq=TRUE,main=) > x=seq(lb, ub, 0.1)
> lines(x, mean(data), sd(data), lty=2) # set up a range of data # plot a normal density of data along with histogram

Type of 0.blank 1.solld 2.dashed 3.dotted 4.dotdash 5.longdash 6.twodash lty

Pei chart

>pie(data, labels=, cex=, main=) # produces a pie chart of data; cex control density of labels

>barplot(data,horiz=,main=)

# produces a grouped bar chart of data, which has at least 2 column >barplot(data,beside=) >t(data) # to transpose a matrix; may use to have different variable in plotting >prop.table(data,margin=1) # return row proportion; 2 for column proportion

# produces a bar chart of data

Normal probability plot (Normal-QQ plot) > qqnorm (data, main=)

# check normality assumption if a close to 45 degree straight line # produces a normal QQ-plot of  ${\tt data}$ # plot a reference line of the normal QQ-plot

# produces a time series of data

>ggline(data,col=)

Box plot

>boxplot(data,horiz=,main=) # produces a box plot of data >boxplot(data1~data2) # produces a box plot of data1 grouped by data2

Scatter plot >plot(data1, data2, pch=, bg=, col=, main=) # prod # pch for type of dot; bg for fill with colour; col for scale with colour

# add case # to the top left corner of each dot >text(data1-0.1,data2+0.1,cex=) # plot a reference line with intercept and slope >abline(intercept,slope)

Matrix scatter plot

>pairs(data,pch=,bg=,main=) # produces a matrix scatter plot of data, which are column variables

>plot(as.ts(data),main=) > plot(cbind(data1, data2, ...))
> matplot(cbind(data1, ...), type="1") >grid() >lag()

# plot multiple time series on one plot # plot multiple time series on one plot with the same y -axis # add a nx by ny rectangular grid lines to an existing plot # return next value; only applicable in time series object

# check 2 variables if they are linearly related

# produces a scatter plot of data1 verse data2

Mathematical function plot

> curve (formula, xLB, xUB, main=) # produces a curve of formula, which is defined in all real number # if a function is undefined in some points, plot by separate the defined parts and undefined parts

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Input, Output and Other Programming Issues

Error handling stop("..." # terminate a function with error message "..."

Customise operator
> "operator"<-function (argument, ...) {</pre> # define operator using function () # calculation statement that will perform

statements

# use the operator with out ""

>x operator v

Flexible number of arguments

> functionName<-function(...) {
> arg=list(...) # select all arguments from the arguments

Editing function > fix (functionName)

# it will pop up a window in editing functionName

Return a vector from function

> functionName<-function(...) { statements

# return a vector; it is possible to rename at the same time return(c(...))

Operation to vectors

outer(vectorY, vectorX, "operator") # a matrix for vectorY and vectorX with operation # vectorY is colum-wise; vectorX is row-wise

Floating point control >sprintf("%n.mf",data)

# n refers to number of reversation; m refers to number of decimal places; # f refers to floating point; can replace with e to display in scientific notation

> cat (..., ...)

# output "..." in "NULL" class; print() return "character" class output

# "..." does not specific the number of arguments which is variable

Input function

> readline() # pause the programme and wait for user's input; inputted data are in "character" class

Recursive function functionName<-function(...) {

# contain a base case to terminate the function statements return(functionName(...))

Measure running time

# store the time at the start of programme > startTime<-proc.time() >proc.time()-startTime # calculate the duration of time

Check the existence of functions

# return a logical value about the existence of functionName

Debugging function

# display how each code statement is executed >traceback()

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Function

> functionName<-function(argument1, argument2=,...) { # argument from global variable(s) # assign default value by in argument2 when it is declared statements

# perform declaration of local variable(s) or expression # no return will return the last expression by default return(value) # local variable is only accessible within the function

> variable (argument1,...) # call the customised function

Logical expression

# vectorised operator and process all elements of involving vector >expression1&expression2 >expression1&&expression2 # only execute the first element and return 1 logical value # test if vector has at least one TRUE value > any (vector)

If-else statement (standard version)

>if(condition) # if the condition is evaluated to be true, it processes the statement1 statement1 >else if # an alternative of if-clause when above condition evaluated to be false

statement2 # unlimited use of else-clause

>else statement3

If-else statement

> ifelse (condition, TrueOutcome, FalseOutcome) # NA will not be evaluated

Switch statement

> switch (expression, case1, case2, ...) # each

Two looping control statement # immediately terminate the innermost enclosing loop statement > break

# ignore the following statements of the loop and return to the very beginning of the loop >next

> for (name in vector) { # loop name from vector, a range of repetitions statements # statements to be executed for a known of repetitions # name is only accessible within the for loop

While loop > while (condition) { # always declare the variable involved in condition first; condition to continue # include modification of condition affecting factor or variable statements

> } # for unknown of repetitions

Infinitely loop

> repeat { # loop infinitely until it reach break

statements # include a if-clause to break out the infinitely loop; a condition to terminate

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evaluation of the curren xpr and compare it to arguments current loop and jump out current iteration and immediately start next rsion of if-else , some breaks should be included return the

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ority	ority Operator	Meaning
	40	component selection
	[1] [1]	subscripts, elements
	>	exponentiation
		unary minus
		sequence operator
	88 8/8 8*8	modulus, integer division, matrix multiplication
	* /	multiplication, division
	+ 1	addition, subtraction
	< > <= >== !== !=	comparison
		ogical negation
	&   &&	vectorized and or, control and or
	^I -V	accianments

(D) Built-in Functions	
Name	Operations
ing(x)	smallest integer greater than or equal to x
floor(x)	largest integer less than or equal to x
trunc(x)	ignore the decimal part
round(x)	round up for positive x and round down for negative x
sqrt(x), abs(x)	return square root and absolute value of x
sample(v,n,p,replace=F	generate n discrete random numbers which take value v
	with prob. p
sort(x,ascending=T)	sort the vector in ascending or descending order
order(x) , rank(x)	return the order and rank of numbers in x
sum(x), prod(x)	return the sum and product of all the elements in a vector
cumsum(x), cumprod(x)	cumulative sum and product of elements of a vector
min(x), $max(x)$ ,	return the smallest, largest values and sample mean of x
mean(x)	
var(x), sd(x)	return the sample variance and standard deviation of a
	vector
seq(a,b,by=c)	generate a sequence of number from a to b with step c
rep(x,n)	replicate elements in a vector n times
apply(d,n,f)	apply a function f to a matrix d, $n=1$ row, $n=2$ column
length(x)	return the length of a vector
list(x,y,)	construct list of items x, y, etc
sample(x, size,	takes a sample of the specified size from the elements
replace, prob)	of x using either with or without replacement
plot(x,y,pch=,bg=)	plot (x,y), pch is print character, bg is background color
lines(x,y)	add lines or curves with coordinates $(x,y)$ in the plot
abline(h= $, v=$ )	add a horizontal or vertical line in the plot
matrix(data, nrow,	create a matrix from the given set of values in data
ncol, byrow)	
cbind(a,b), rbind(a,b)	binding two matrices column-wise and row-wise
dim(A), nrow(A),	return the row and column dimension of a matrix A
ncol(A)	

rd, p, q or x in front of the R's nam for number respectively.