Getting to use data in ${\bf R}$

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Handling data in \boldsymbol{R}

There are many types of objects designed to store data in \mathbf{R} .

We will focus on:

- vectors
- matrices (and arrays)
- data frames (and tibbles)
- lists

Note: if you master those, we are pretty much all set because most other objects derive from those!

Handling data in ${\bf R}$

- vectors
 - a single row of data
 - all elements have the same type (e.g. logical, integer, double, character...)
- matrices (and arrays)
 - all rows & columns have same length
 - all rows & columns have the same type
- data frames (and tibbles)
 - all rows & columns have same length
 - · each column can have its own type
- lists
 - each element can have its own length
 - each element can have its own type

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Vector

The vector is the simplest way to store data in **R**; it is a sequence of data elements of the same type.

Example of a vector:

```
height_girls <- c(178, 175, 159, 164, 183, 192)
height_girls
## [1] 178 175 159 164 183 192
```

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They can be combined:

```
height_boys <- c(181, 189, 174, 177)
height <- c(height_boys, height_girls)
height
## [1] 181 189 174 177 178 175 159 164 183 192
```

Subsets can be made (with indexes, booleans or names):

```
height_girls[2] ## returns element 2
## [1] 175
height_girls[-3] ## remove element 3
## [1] 178 175 164 183 192
```

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```
height_girls[c(1, 1, 2, 2, 2)] ## open room for bootstraps and more
## [1] 178 175 175 175
```

height_girls[2] ## returns element 2

[1] 175

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height_girls[-3] ## remove element 3

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```

```
height_girls[height_girls > 168]

## [1] 178 175 183 192

height_girls[!(height_girls == min(height_girls))]

## [1] 178 175 164 183 192

height_girls[height_girls != min(height_girls)]

## [1] 178 175 164 183 192
```

The elements of a vector can be named and those names can be used for subsetting:

```
foo \leftarrow c(alex = 1, colin = 2)
foo
## alex colin
    1 2
foo["colin"]
## colin
## 2
```

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foo

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## 1 2
foo["colin"]
## colin
## 2</pre>
```

But names behave sometimes somewhat unexpectedly:

```
foo[1] + foo[2]
## alex
```

Vectors (as any other object) can have metadata called 'attributes' attached to them:

```
foo <- c(1, 2, 3)
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attr(x = foo, which = "something else?") <- "nope"

foo

## [1] 1 2 3
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## [1] "Learning to count"
## attr(, "something else?")
## [1] "nope"
attr(x = foo, which = "whatever")
## [1] "Learning to count"
attributes(foo) ## this gives a list, see later!
## $whatever
## [1] "Learning to count"
##
## $`something else?`
## [1] "nope"
```

Note: this is useful to know for handling outputs in certain packages (e.g. spaMM).

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Note: **R** detects automatically the type of input and creates the right type of vector for you! Challenge: compare typeof() with mode().

Classes refer to the how functions interact with the objects:

logicals

```
(foo <- c(TRUE, FALSE, F, T))
## [1] TRUE FALSE FALSE TRUE
class(x = foo)
## [1] "logical"</pre>
```

integers

```
(foo <- c(1L, 5L, 7L, 0L))
## [1] 1 5 7 0
class(x = foo)
## [1] "integer"
```

numerics (from the type doubles)

```
(foo <- c(1, 1.2, pi))

## [1] 1.000000 1.200000 3.141593

class(x = foo)

## [1] "numeric"
```

characters

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(foo <- c("bla", "bli", "blo"))

## [1] "bla" "bli" "blo"

class(x = foo)

## [1] "character"
```

Note: many don't make the distinction between types and classes explicit but it helps to understand some weird behaviours of **R**.

There are more classes than types:

factors

```
(foo <- factor(c("bla", "bli", "blo")))</pre>
## [1] bla bli blo
## Levels: bla bli blo
class(x = foo)
## [1] "factor"
typeof(x = foo)
## [1] "integer"
levels(x = foo)
## [1] "bla" "bli" "blo"
levels(x = foo) <- c(levels(x = foo), "blu") ## set extra level</pre>
table(foo)
## foo
## bla bli blo blu
## 1 1 1 0
```

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## foo
## bla bli blo blu
## 1 1 1 0
```

dates

Note: factors are heavily used in the context of linear models!

Vectors must contain elements of the same type (otherwise errors or automatic coercion may occur):

```
bar <- "A"
foo_bar <- c(foo, bar)</pre>
foo_bar
## [1] "1" "A"
```

foo <- 1

foo <- 1

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```
bar <- "A"
foo_bar <- c(foo, bar)
foo_bar
## [1] "1" "A"
foo + 1
## [1] 2
foo_bar[1] + 1
## Error in foo_bar[1] + 1: non-numeric argument to binary operator
```

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foo_bar
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foo + 1
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foo_bar[1] + 1</pre>
```

Challenges:

• find out why the previous call produces an error.

Error in foo_bar[1] + 1: non-numeric argument to binary operator

- try to check how the automatic coercion occurs by mixing different classes in different ways (logical, integers, numeric, characters, factors).
- find out which date is internally stored as 0?

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Some coercions are straightforward:

```
as.integer(x = 1.2)
## [1] 1
as.integer(x = 1.9)
## [1] 1
as.integer(x = -2.1)
## [1] -2
foo \leftarrow factor(x = 10:20)
foo
## [1] 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
## Levels: 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
as.character(x = foo)
## [1] "10" "11" "12" "13" "14" "15" "16" "17" "18" "19" "20"
```

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as.character(x = foo)
## [1] "10" "11" "12" "13" "14" "15" "16" "17" "18" "19" "20"
But not all:
as.numeric(x = foo)
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11
as.numeric(as.character(x = foo))
## [1] 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
foo \leftarrow as.Date(x = "20180618", format = "%Y%m%d")
as.integer(x = foo)
## [1] 17700
as.integer(x = gsub(pattern = "-", replacement = "", x = as.character(foo)))
```

[1] 20180618

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factors

Factors

You can create them after in two steps:

```
sex <- c("girl", "girl", "girl", "girl", "girl", "girl",</pre>
"boy", "boy", "boy", "boy")
class(x = sex)
## [1] "character"
sex <- factor(x = sex)
sex
## [1] girl girl girl girl girl boy boy boy
## Levels: boy girl
```

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## [1] "character"
sex <- factor(x = sex)
SAY
## [1] girl girl girl girl girl boy boy boy
## Levels: boy girl
```

Better code:

```
sex <- factor(x = c(rep(x = "girl", times = 6),</pre>
                     rep(x = "bov", times = 4)))
```

Even better code:

```
sex <- factor(x = c(rep(x = "girl", times = length(x = height girls)),</pre>
                     rep(x = "boy", times = length(x = height boys))))
```

Note: more on programming style later!

factors

Combining vectors with different levels

We want to merge the two following vectors:

```
foo <- factor(c("a", "b"))</pre>
## [1] a b
## Levels: a b
bar <- factor(c("b", "c"))
bar
## [1] b c
## Levels: b c
```

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```

Problem:

```
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foo_bar
## [1] 1 2 1 2
class(foo_bar)
## [1] "integer"
```

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bar
## [1] b c
## Levels: b c
```

Problem:

```
foo_bar <- c(foo, bar)
foo_bar
## [1] 1 2 1 2
class(foo bar)
## [1] "integer"
```

Solution:

```
foo bar <- factor(c(as.character(foo), as.character(bar)))</pre>
foo_bar
## [1] a b b c
## Levels: a b c
class(foo_bar)
## [1] "factor"
```

Dropping unused levels

By default **R** keeps unused levels:

```
foo <- factor(c("a", "a", "b", "c"))
foo
## [1] a a b c
## Levels: a b c
table(foo)
## foo
## a b c
## 2 1 1
bar <- foo[-4]
table(bar)
## bar
## a b c
## 2 1 0
```

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## Levels: a b c
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bar <- foo[-4]
table(bar)
## bar
## a b c
## 2 1 0</pre>
```

If you want to update the levels you need to use the function droplevels:

```
new_bar <- droplevels(bar)
table(new_bar)
## new_bar
## a b
## 2 1</pre>
```

Or use the argument drop:

```
bar <- foo[-4, drop = TRUE]
table(bar)
## bar
## a b
## 2 1</pre>
```

Changing the order of levels of a factor

You have:

my_factor1 ## [1] A A B B C ## Levels: A B C

You want:

my_factor2 ## [1] A A B B C ## Levels: C B A

Changing the order of levels of a factor

You have:

You want:

my_factor1										
##	[1]	Α	Α	В	В	С				
##	Levels:			Α	В	С				

```
my_factor2
## [1] A A B B C
## Levels: C B A
```

You do:

```
my_factor2 <- factor(x = my_factor1, levels = levels(my_factor1)[c(3, 2, 1)])</pre>
my_factor2
## [1] A A B B C
## Levels: C B A
```

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	[1] Leve										

```
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my_factor2
## [1] A A B B C
## Levels: C B A
```

Or if you only care about the first level:

```
my_factor3 <- relevel(x = my_factor1, ref = "C")</pre>
my_factor3
## [1] A A B B C
## Levels: C A B
```

Changing the order of levels of a factor

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You want:

my_factor2 ## [1] A A B B C ## Levels: C B A

You do:

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my_factor2
## [1] A A B B C
## Levels: C B A</pre>
```

Or if you only care about the first level:

```
my_factor3 <- relevel(x = my_factor1, ref = "C")
my_factor3
## [1] A A B B C
## Levels: C A B</pre>
```

Note: the order of levels influences the meaning of parameter estimates in linear models and some plotting functions (e.g. order in the legend of a ggplot) . . .

Changing the levels of a factor

You have:

my_factor1 ## [1] A A B B C ## Levels: A B C

You want:

my_factor2 ## [1] A A A A D ## Levels: A D

Changing the levels of a factor

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my_factor1 ## [1] A A B B C ## Levels: A B C

my_factor2 ## [1] A A A A D ## Levels: A D

You do:

```
## Using base:
levels(x = my_factor1)
## [1] "A" "B" "C"
my_factor2 <- my_factor1
levels(x = my_factor2) <- c("A", "A", "D") ## in same order!</pre>
my_factor2
## [1] A A A A D
## Levels: A D
```

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my_factor1 ## [1] A A B B C ## Levels: A B C

my_factor2 ## [1] A A A A D ## Levels: A D

You do:

```
## Using base:
levels(x = my_factor1)
## [1] "A" "B" "C"
my_factor2 <- my_factor1
levels(x = my_factor2) <- c("A", "A", "D") ## in same order!</pre>
my_factor2
## [1] A A A A D
## Levels: A D
## Using dplyr:
library(dplyr)
my_factor2 <- recode(.x = my_factor1, A = "A", B = "A", C = "D")</pre>
my_factor2
## [1] A A A A D
## Levels: A D
```

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my_factor2
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Note: if you want more modern functions to manipulate factors, look at the package forcats from tidyverse.

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Some simple functions for vectors

foo <- c("bla", "bla", "bli")

```
bar <- c(1, 1.2, pi, NA)

any(is.na(x = foo))
## [1] FALSE
unique(x = foo)
## [1] "bla" "bli"
length(x = foo)
## [1] 3
str(object = foo)
## chr [1:3] "bla" "bla" "bli"
summary(object = foo)
## Length Class Mode</pre>
```

3 character character

Some simple functions for vectors

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## [1] FALSE
## [1] TRUE
unique(x = foo)
## [1] "bla" "bli"
## [1] 1.000000 1.200000 3.141593 NA
length(x = foo)
## [1] 3
## [1] 4
str(object = foo)
str(object = foo)
```

num [1:4] 1 1.2 3.14 NA

Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu.

1.000 1.100 1.200 1.781 2.171 3.142

summary(object = bar)

chr [1:3] "bla" "bla" "bli"

3 character character

Mode

Length Class

summary(object = foo)

NA's

Max.

sapply() is a function to apply a function on each element of a vector:

```
triple <- function(x) c(x, x, x) ## let us create a silly function
triple(x = "a")
## [1] "a" "a" "a"
sapply(X = bar, FUN = triple) ## here returns a matrix (automatic choice)
                    [,3] [,4]
       [,1] [,2]
       1 1.2 3.141593 NA
## [1,]
## [2,] 1 1.2 3.141593
## [3.] 1 1.2 3.141593 NA
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                     [.3] [.4]
        1 1.2 3.141593
## [1,]
## [2,] 1 1.2 3.141593
## [3.] 1 1.2 3.141593 NA
sapply(X = bar, FUN = triple, simplify = FALSE) ## same but always returns a list
## [[1]]
## [1] 1 1 1
##
## [[2]]
## [1] 1.2 1.2 1.2
## [[3]]
## [1] 3.141593 3.141593 3.141593
## [[4]]
## [1] NA NA NA
```

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## [2.]
        1 1.2 3.141593
## [3,] 1 1.2 3.141593
                           NΑ
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## [[2]]
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        [,1] [,2]
                     [.3] [.4]
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Challenge: can you think of an alternative to do that without using sapply()?

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Matrices & arrays

The matrices and arrays are direct extentions of vectors when there is more than one dimension (1 or 2 dimensions for matrices, any for arrays).

Example of a matrix:

```
my_matrix <- matrix(data = 1:12, ncol = 4, nrow = 3)
my_matrix

## [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,] 1 4 7 10
## [2,] 2 5 8 11
## [3,] 3 6 9 12

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Note 1: since there are a kind of vectors, the same restrictions apply: all elements must have the same class! Note 2: useful for building the input of some statistical tests (e.g. chi-square), for linear algebra (e.g. computation behind linear models), for handling GIS information & for understanding data frames.

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```
(my_2nd_matrix <- matrix(data = 13:18, ncol = 2, nrow = 3))</pre>
       [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 13 16
## [2,] 14 17
## [3,] 15 18
(my_3rd_matrix <- matrix(data = 1:4, nrow = 1))</pre>
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## [1,] 1 2 3 4
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## [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
## [1.]
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                       13 16
## [2,] 2 5 8 11 14 17
## [3,] 3 6 9 12 15 18
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## [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
## [1,] 1 4 7 10
                         13 16
## [2,] 2 5 8 11 14 17
## [3,] 3 6 9 12 15 18
rbind(my_matrix, my_3rd_matrix) ## bind rows
       [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,] 1 4 7 10
## [2,] 2 5 8 11
## [3,] 3 6 9 12
## [4.]
```

Subsets can be made (with indexes, booleans or names):

```
my_matrix[2, ]
## [1] 2 5 8 11
my_matrix[, 1]
## [1] 1 2 3
my_matrix[3, , drop = FALSE] ## to keep a matrix
## [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,] 3 6 9 12
my_matrix[2, 1]
## [1] 2
my_matrix[c(1:2), c(1:2)]
## [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 1 4
## [2,] 2 5
```

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## [1] 2
my_matrix[c(1:2), c(1:2)]
## [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 1 4
## [2,] 2 5
colnames(x = my_matrix) <- c("A", "B", "C", "D")</pre>
rownames(x = my_matrix) <- c("a", "b", "c")
my_matrix
## A B C D
## a 1 4 7 10
## b 2 5 8 11
## c 3 6 9 12
my_matrix["b", ]
## A B C D
## 2 5 8 11
```

attributes(my_matrix)

In the background, a matrix is a vector with dimension attributes (i.e. number of columns and rows).

```
## $dim
## [1] 3 4
## $dimnames
## $dimnames[[1]]
## [1] "a" "b" "c"
## $dimnames[[2]]
## [1] "A" "B" "C" "D"
str(my_matrix)
## int [1:3, 1:4] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
## - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
## ..$ : chr [1:3] "a" "b" "c"
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```

You can subset the data using this dimension attributes or not:

```
my_matrix[5]
## [1] 5
my_matrix[2, 2]
## [1] 5
```

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```

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```
my_matrix[5]
## [1] 5
my_matrix[2, 2]
## [1] 5
```

A matrix will be filled from top - bottom, left - right:

```
(my matrix4 <- matrix(data = 1:4, ncol = 2, nrow = 2)) ## but try burow = TRUE
       [,1] [,2]
## [1,]
       1 3
## [2,]
```

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Some simple functions for matrices

Dimensions:

```
dim(x = my_matrix)
## [1] 3 4
ncol(x = my_matrix)
## [1] 4
nrow(x = my_matrix)
## [1] 3
length(x = my_matrix)
## [1] 12
```

Names:

```
colnames(x = my_matrix)
## [1] "A" "B" "C" "D"
rownames(x = my_matrix)
## [1] "a" "b" "c"
```

Linear algebra:

```
t(x = my_matrix) ## transpose

## a b c

## A 1 2 3

## B 4 5 6

## C 7 8 9

## D 10 11 12

my_matrix %*% c(1:4) ## matrix multiplication

## [,1]

## a 70

## b 80

## c 90

diag(x = my_matrix) ## extract diagonal

## [1] 1 5 9
```

apply() is a function to apply a function on each row or column of a matrix:

```
apply(X = my_matrix, MARGIN = 1, FUN = mean) ## row means
## 5.5 6.5 7.5
apply(X = my_matrix, MARGIN = 2, FUN = sd) ## column SDs
## A B C D
## 1 1 1 1
```

Arrays?

Arrays are very similar to matrices but allow for more dimensions:

```
foo \leftarrow array(data = 1:8, dim = c(2, 2, 2))
foo
## , , 1
    [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 1 3
## [2,]
## , , 2
       [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 5 7
## [2,] 6 8
```

```
foo[1, 2, 2]
## [1] 7
apply(X = foo, MARGIN = 3, FUN = sum)
## [1] 10 26
```

Note: only useful in some very specific situations.

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Lists

Lists allow the organisation of any set of entities into a single R object.

Example of a list:

```
list_height <- list(height_girls, height_boys)
list_height
## [[1]
## [[1] 178 175 159 164 183 192
##
## [[2]]
## [1] 181 189 174 177
class(x = list_height)
## [1] "list"
typeof(x = list_height)
## [1] "list"</pre>
```

Note 1: list elements can be anything!

Note 2: lists are very important because no function can output more than one object!

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Lists: general properties

They can be combined:

```
list_full <- c(list_height, list(my_matrix))</pre>
list_full
## [[1]]
## [1] 178 175 159 164 183 192
##
## [[2]]
## [1] 181 189 174 177
## [[3]]
## A B C D
## a 1 4 7 10
## b 2 5 8 11
## c 3 6 9 12
```

Lists: general properties

Subsets can be made (with indexes, booleans or names):

```
list_height <- list(girls = height_girls, boys = height_boys) ## create a list with names</pre>
list_height
## $girls
## [1] 178 175 159 164 183 192
##
## $boys
## [1] 181 189 174 177
list_height$girls
## [1] 178 175 159 164 183 192
list_height["boys"] ## still a list
## $bovs
## [1] 181 189 174 177
list_height[["boys"]] ## vector
## [1] 181 189 174 177
list_height[[2]][3]
## [1] 174
```

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Some simple functions for lists

```
length(x = list_full) ## number of elements
## [1] 3
str(object = list_full) ## this function is really useful!
## List of 3
## $ : num [1:6] 178 175 159 164 183 192
## $ : num [1:4] 181 189 174 177
## $ : int [1:3, 1:4] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
## ..- attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
## ....$ : chr [1:3] "a" "b" "c"
    .. ..$ : chr [1:4] "A" "B" "C" "D"
```

Challenge: run the examples from lm() and explore the list lm.D9.

A more complex function: lapply()

lapply() is a function to apply a function on each element of a list:

```
lapply(X = list_full, FUN = mean)
## [[1]]
## [1] 175.1667
## [[2]]
## [1] 180.25
## [[3]]
## [1] 6.5
```

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Data frames

Data frames allow the organisation of vectors of the same length as a matrix-like structure:

Example:

```
dataframe_ht <- data.frame(Height = height, Sex = sex)</pre>
dataframe_ht
      Height Sex
## 1
         181 girl
## 2
        189 girl
## 3
        174 girl
        177 girl
## 5
         178 girl
        175 girl
## 7
        159 boy
## 8
        164 boy
## 9
         183 boy
## 10
         192 boy
class(dataframe_ht)
## [1] "data.frame"
typeof(dataframe_ht)
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```

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## 6
        175 girl
## 7
        159 boy
## 8
         164 boy
## 9
         183 bov
## 10
         192 boy
class(dataframe_ht)
## [1] "data.frame"
typeof(dataframe_ht)
## [1] "list"
```

Note 1: this is the best choice of representation for datasets!

Note 2: it is safer to work on data frames than on floating vectors!

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```
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     Height Sex newcol
        181 girl
        189 girl
        174 girl
## 3
        177 girl
## 5
       178 girl
## 6
        175 girl
## 7
        159 boy
        164 boy
## 8
## 9
        183 bov
## 10
        192 bov
                    10
dataframe_ht[, "Sex"]
## [1] girl girl girl girl girl boy boy boy
## Levels: boy girl
dataframe_ht[2, 2]
## [1] girl
## Levels: boy girl
```

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        177 girl
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## 6
        175 girl
## 7
        159 bov
        164 boy
## 8
        183 bov
## 9
        192 boy
                    10
## 10
dataframe_ht[, "Sex"]
## [1] girl girl girl girl girl boy boy boy
## Levels: boy girl
dataframe_ht[2, 2]
## [1] girl
## Levels: boy girl
```

As for lists:

```
dataframe_ht$Height
## [1] 181 189 174 177 178 175 159 164 183 192
str(dataframe_ht)
## 'data.frame': 10 obs. of 2 variables:
## $ Height: num 181 189 174 177 178 175 159 164 183 192
## $ Sex : Factor w/ 2 levels "boy", "girl": 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1
```

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Data frames: challenge

The iris data set (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Iris_flower_data_set):



Iris setosa ©Miya.m



Iris versicolor ©D.G.E. Robertson



Iris virginica ©F. Mayfield

```
head(x = iris, n = 2L) ## this function displays by default the first 6 rows
```

##		Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	${\tt Petal.Width}$	Species
##	1	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
##	2	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	setosa

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## 1 5.1 3.5 1.4 0.2 setosa

## 2 4.9 3.0 1.4 0.2 setosa
```

Using the iris data frame, find out:

- what is the average sepal length across all flowers?
- what is the median sepal length across *Iris versicolor*?

Data frames can easily be edited:

```
backup <- dataframe_ht[1, 1]</pre>
dataframe_ht[1, 1] <- 171.3
dataframe_ht[1, 1]
## [1] 171.3
dataframe_ht[1, 1] <- backup
dataframe_ht[1, 1]
## [1] 181
```

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dataframe_ht[1, 1]
## [1] 171.3
dataframe_ht[1, 1] <- backup
dataframe_ht[1, 1]
## [1] 181
dataframe_ht$linenumber <- 1:nrow(x = dataframe_ht) # add column
head(x = dataframe_ht)
    Height Sex linenumber
## 1
        181 girl
       189 girl
## 3
       174 girl
## 4
       177 girl
                         4
## 5
       178 girl
                          5
## 6
       175 girl
                          6
```

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dataframe ht[1, 1]
## [1] 171.3
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dataframe_ht[1, 1]
## [1] 181
dataframe_ht$linenumber <- 1:nrow(x = dataframe_ht) # add column
head(x = dataframe_ht)
    Height Sex linenumber
## 1
       181 girl
       189 girl
## 3
      174 girl
## 4
      177 girl
                         4
## 5
      178 girl
                         5
## 6
      175 girl
                         6
dataframe ht$linenumber <- NULL # remove column
head(x = dataframe_ht)
    Height Sex
       181 girl
## 2
      189 girl
## 3
      174 girl
## 4
      177 girl
## 5
       178 girl
```

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175 girl

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Some simple functions for data frames

```
head(x = iris) ## try also tail()
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
## 1
              5.1
                          3.5
                                      1.4
                                                   0.2 setosa
## 2
              4.9
                          3.0
                                      1.4
                                                  0.2 setosa
## 3
              4.7
                         3.2
                                      1.3
                                                  0.2 setosa
## 4
              4.6
                         3.1
                                      1.5
                                                  0.2 setosa
             5.0
                         3.6
## 5
                                      1.4
                                                  0.2 setosa
              5.4
                         3.9
                                      1.7
## 6
                                                  0.4 setosa
summary(object = iris)
                    Sepal.Width
                                                    Petal.Width
    Sepal.Length
                                    Petal.Length
   Min. :4.300
                                        :1.000
                   Min. :2.000
                                   Min.
                                                    Min.
                                                         :0.100
    1st Qu.:5.100
                   1st Qu.:2.800
                                   1st Qu.:1.600
                                                   1st Qu.:0.300
   Median :5.800
                   Median :3.000
                                   Median :4.350
                                                   Median :1.300
         :5.843
                          :3.057
                                         :3.758
                                                         :1.199
    Mean
                   Mean
                                   Mean
                                                   Mean
    3rd Qu.:6.400
                   3rd Qu.:3.300
                                   3rd Qu.:5.100
                                                   3rd Qu.:1.800
   Max. :7.900
                   Max.
                          :4.400
                                   Max.
                                          :6.900
                                                    Max.
                                                          :2.500
```

```
dim(x = iris)
## [1] 150    5
ncol(x = iris)
## [1] 5
nrow(x = iris)
## [1] 150
length(x = iris) ## not as in matrix!!
## [1] 5
rownames(x = iris) [1:10]
## [1] "1" "2" "3" "4" "5" "6" "7" "8" "9" "10"
colnames(x = iris)
## [1] "Sepal.Length" "Sepal.Width" "Petal.Length" "Petal.Width"
```

A more complex function: tapply()

tapply() is a function to apply a function on subsets of a given column from the data frame:

```
tapply(X = iris$Sepal.Length, INDEX = iris$Species, FUN = mean)
##     setosa versicolor virginica
##     5.006     5.936     6.588
```

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Note: by() is more powerful but more complex than tapply().

The dplyr alternative to tapply()

The same operation in dplyr looks very different:

```
iris %>%
  group_by(Species) %>%
  summarize(mean_sepal_length = mean(Sepal.Length),
            mean sepal width = mean(Sepal.Width)) %>%
  as.data.frame() ## optional but otherwise tibble and not data frame
        Species mean sepal length mean sepal width
## 1
         setosa
                            5.006
                                             3.428
## 2 versicolor
                            5.936
                                             2.770
                            6.588
                                             2.974
## 3 virginica
```

Note: this replaces two tapply() calls and remains easy to read.

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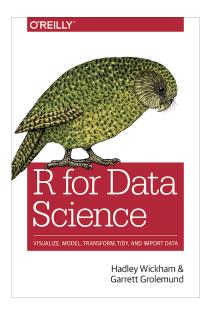


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- broaden the gap between users and programmers

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Useful dplyr functions:

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```
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## 3
     174 girl 3
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• change column with transmute()

```
dataframe_ht2 <- dataframe_ht %>% transmute(double_height = 2*height)
head(x = dataframe_ht2, n = 3)
    double_height
## 1
              362
## 2
              378
## 3
               348
```

dplyr verbs

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• select columns with select()

```
dataframe_ht_sex <- dataframe_ht %>% select(Sex)
head(x = dataframe_ht_sex, n = 3)
     Sex
## 1 girl
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```

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head(x = dataframe ht sex, n = 3)
      Sex
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## 3 girl
```

• select rows with filter()

```
dataframe_ht_female <- dataframe_ht %>% filter(Sex == "girl")
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head(x = dataframe ht sex. n = 3)
     Sex
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## 2 girl
## 3 girl
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## 2
     189 girl 2
## 3
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```

sort rows with arrange()

```
dataframe_ht_sorted <- dataframe_ht %>% arrange(Height) ## add arrange(desc(Height)) for the other direction
head(dataframe_ht_sorted, n = 3)
    Height Sex ID
## 1
      159 boy 7
## 2
      164 bov 8
      174 girl 3
## 3
```

Around dplyr verbs

These main dplyr functions have derivatives and some of them can be useful: e.g. mutate_if performs mutation if a condition is fulfilled, which could be useful for example if you want to change all numeric variables into character variables:

you have:

you want:

```
## 'data.frame': 150 obs. of 5 variables:
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## $ Sepal.Length: num 5.1 4.9 4.7 4.6 5 5.4 4.6 5 4.4 4.9 ...
                                                                 ## $ Sepal.Length: chr "5.1" "4.9" "4.7" "4.6" ...
                                                                 ## $ Sepal.Width : chr "3.5" "3" "3.2" "3.1" ...
## $ Sepal.Width : num 3.5 3 3.2 3.1 3.6 3.9 3.4 3.4 2.9 3.1 ...
                                                                 ## $ Petal.Length: chr "1.4" "1.4" "1.3" "1.5" ...
## $ Petal.Length: num 1.4 1.4 1.3 1.5 1.4 1.7 1.4 1.5 1.4 1.5 ...
## $ Petal.Width : num 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.4 0.3 0.2 0.2 0.1 ...
                                                                 ## $ Petal.Width : chr "0.2" "0.2" "0.2" "0.2" ...
## $ Species : Factor w/ 3 levels "setosa". "versicolor"...: 1
                                                                 ## $ Species : Factor w/ 3 levels "setosa". "versicolor"...: 1 1
```

you do:

```
iris_numeric <- iris %>%
  mutate if(is.numeric, ~ as.character(.))
```

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ullet slice() o select some rows for each "group"

group_by() with summarize()

Example: you want the mean height of males and females, the median height and the number in each group:

```
dataframe_ht %>%
  group_by(Sex) %>%
  summarize(mean height = mean(Height),
            median_height = median(Height),
            n = n()) \% \%
 as.data.frame()
     Sex mean_height median_height n
## 1
     bov
               174.5
                             173.5 4
                             177.5 6
## 2 girl
               179.0
```

group_by() with mutate()

Same as before, but we want to repeat the value for each individual:

```
dataframe_ht %>%
  group_by(Sex) %>%
  mutate(mean_height = mean(Height),
           median_height = median(Height),
           n = n()) \% \%
  as.data.frame()
      Height Sex ID mean_height median_height n
        181 girl 1
                          179.0
                                        177.5 6
## 1
        189 girl 2
## 2
                          179.0
                                        177.5 6
## 3
        174 girl 3
                          179.0
                                       177.5 6
        177 girl 4
                          179.0
                                       177.5 6
## 4
## 5
        178 girl 5
                        179.0
                                       177.5 6
## 6
        175 girl 6
                          179.0
                                      177.5 6
## 7
        159 boy 7
                          174.5
                                       173.5 4
## 8
        164 boy 8
                          174.5
                                       173.5 4
        183 boy 9
                          174.5
                                       173.5 4
## 9
        192 boy 10
                          174.5
                                        173.5 4
## 10
```

Note: many other functions than n() can be used, see ?summarise !

group_by() with slice()

Example: you want the first two rows of each species of irices:

```
iris %>%
 group_by(Species) %>%
 slice(1:2) %>%
 as.data.frame()
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width
                                                     Species
## 1
            5.1
                       3.5
                                   1.4
                                              0.2
                                                      setosa
## 2
            4.9
                       3.0
                                   1.4
                                              0.2
                                                      setosa
            7.0
                       3.2
                                   4.7
                                              1.4 versicolor
            6.4
                    3.2
                             4.5
                                              1.5 versicolor
            6.3
                       3.3
                                   6.0
                                               2.5 virginica
## 6
            5.8
                       2.7
                                   5.1
                                               1.9 virginica
```

Challenge

Use the dataset called population_UK and compute the total population size for:

- 1915
- 2015
- all years in the dataset
- all years between 1915 and 2015

Use the dataset called deaths_UK and figure out:

- which were the top 3 detailed causes of death before 1930 for each of the 21 broader categories
- the death toll for all individuals below 15 yrs for each year

Data frame #1:

```
my_df1 <- iris %>%
 filter(Species == "setosa") %>%
  select(Sepal.Length, Petal.Length, Species) %>%
  slice(1:4)
mv_df1[4, 1] <- NA
my_df1
    Sepal.Length Petal.Length Species
             5.1
                         1.4 setosa
## 2
             4.9
                        1.4 setosa
             4.7
                        1.3 setosa
## 3
## 4
              NA
                        1.5 setosa
```

Data frame #2:

```
my_df2 <- iris %>%
  filter(Species == "virginica") %>%
  select(Sepal.Length, Petal.Width, Species) %>%
 slice(1:4)
mv_df2[3, 2] <- NA
my_df2
    Sepal.Length Petal.Width
                               Species
             6.3
## 1
                         2.5 virginica
## 2
             5.8
                        1.9 virginica
## 3
             7.1
                        NA virginica
             6.3
                         1.8 virginica
## 4
```

We will see how to merge these two data frames!

There are several options but full_join() is the most effective one: it keeps all the rows of the two data frames and adds NA when no data are present!

```
mv df3 <- full join(mv df1, mv df2)
## Joining, by = c("Sepal.Length", "Species")
my_df3
    Sepal.Length Petal.Length
                               Species Petal.Width
## 1
             5.1
                         1.4 setosa
## 2
             4.9
                         1.4 setosa
                                                NA
             4.7
                         1.3 setosa
                                               NA
## 3
                         1.5 setosa
## 4
            NA
                                               NA
             6.3
                          NA virginica
                                              2.5
## 5
## 6
             5.8
                          NA virginica
                                              1.9
## 7
            7.1
                          NA virginica
                                              NA
             6.3
                          NA virginica
## 8
                                              1.8
```

Note: you can also do that without dplyr but the outcome is a bit more messy:

```
merge(my_df1, my_df2, all = TRUE)
```

You can also use left_join() to keep all data from the first dataset and keep only the new data from the second data set that fit in:

```
(flower_quality <- data.frame(Species = c("setosa", "versicolor", "virginica"),
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       Species Quality
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## 3 virginica
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                   Low
left_join(my_df3, flower_quality, by = "Species")
     Sepal.Length Petal.Length Species Petal.Width Quality
## 1
              5.1
                               setosa
                                                       High
## 2
                          1.4 setosa
              4.9
                                                      High
## 3
             4.7
                          1.3 setosa
                                                      High
## 4
             NA
                          1.5 setosa
                                                      High
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             6.3
                           NA virginica
                                                2.5
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             5.8
                           NA virginica
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                                                         High
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full_join(my_df3, flower_quality, by = "Species")
     Sepal.Length Petal.Length
                                  Species Petal. Width Quality
## 1
              5.1
                            1.4
                                                    NA
                                                           High
                                    setosa
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                                    setosa
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                                                    NA
                                                            Low
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                                virginica
                                                   1.8
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                                                            Low
```

NA Medium

NA versicolor

NA

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Challenge

Use the datasets called population_UK and deaths_UK to compute yearly mortality rates for:

- all individuals
- individuals below 15 yrs only

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The tidyverse package tidyr offers solutions:

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- spread() turns long data into wide

From wide to long

you have:

```
head(my_df1)
## ID Sex age1 age2 age3 age4
## 1 1 girl 81 156 171 181
dim(my_df1)
## [1] 1 6
```

you want:

```
head(my_df2)
## ID Sex Age Height
## 1 1 girl age1
                   81
## 2 1 girl age2
                   156
## 3 1 girl age3
                   171
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                   181
dim(my_df2)
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you do:

```
library(tidyr)
my_df2 <- my_df1 %>%
 gather("Age", "Height", -Sex, -ID) %>%
 arrange(ID, Age)
```

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 arrange(ID, Age)
                                or:
my_df2 <- my_df1 %>%
  gather("Age", "Height", 3:ncol(my_df1)) %>%
  arrange(ID, Age)
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```

you do:

```
my_df2 %>%
 spread(-Sex, -ID)
## ID Sex age1 age2 age3 age4
## 1 1 girl 81 156 171 181
```

Note: but why on Earth would you need that?!

Some other useful functions from tidyr

unite() merges 2 columns of a data frame:

```
my_df3 <- my_df2 %>% unite(New_col, ID, Sex)
head(my_df3)
    New_col Age Height
## 1 1_girl age1
## 2 1_girl age2
                   156
## 3 1_girl age3
                   171
## 4 1_girl age4
                   181
```

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                  181
```

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    ID Sex Age Height
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## 3 1 girl age3
                  171
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                  181
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```

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```
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## ID Sex Age Height
## 1 1 girl age1 81
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```

Note: the R base equivalent are paste() and strsplit() but they are a bit more tedious to use.

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What are tibbles?

Tibbles are modified data frames that are automatically created by tidyverse packages:

```
iris_tbl <- iris %>%
  group by (Species) %>%
 mutate(Sepal.Length.meam = mean(Sepal.Length))
iris_tbl
## # A tibble: 150 x 6
## # Groups:
               Species [3]
      Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species Sepal.Length.meam
             <dbl>
                          <dbl>
                                                   <dbl> <fct>
##
                                       <dbl>
                                                                              <dbl>
               5.1
                           3.5
                                                     0.2 setosa
##
                                         1.4
                                                                               5.01
               4.9
                                         1.4
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               4.7
                           3.2
                                                                               5.01
                                                     0.2 setosa
               4.6
                           3.1
                                         1.5
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
                           3.6
                                         1.4
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               5.4
                           3.9
                                         1.7
                                                     0.4 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               4.6
                           3.4
                                        1.4
                                                     0.3 setosa
                                                                               5.01
                           3.4
                                         1.5
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
                            2.9
                                         1.4
                                                                               5.01
                                                     0.2 setosa
## 10
               4.9
                            3.1
                                         1.5
                                                     0.1 setosa
                                                                               5.01
## # ... with 140 more rows
```

Note: most of what works on objects of class data.frame works on objects of class tbl (but not all as they don't consider row names).

From tibbles to data frames and back

You can easily convert one into the other:

```
head(as.data.frame(iris_tbl))
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species Sepal.Length.meam
             5.1
                        3.5
                                    1.4
                                               0.2 setosa
                                                                      5.006
## 2
             4.9
                        3.0
                                    1.4
                                               0.2 setosa
                                                                      5.006
## 3
             4.7
                        3.2
                                    1.3
                                               0.2 setosa
                                                                      5.006
             4.6
                       3.1
                                    1.5
                                               0.2 setosa
                                                                      5.006
## 5
             5.0
                        3.6
                                    1.4
                                               0.2 setosa
                                                                      5.006
                                    1.7
## 6
             5.4
                        3.9
                                               0.4 setosa
                                                                      5.006
```

From tibbles to data frames and back

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                                                                          5.006
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                                                                          5.006
## 3
              4.7
                         3.2
                                      1.3
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                          5.006
             4.6
                         3.1
                                      1.5
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                          5.006
             5.0
                         3.6
                                      1.4
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                          5.006
## 5
              5.4
                         3.9
                                      1.7
                                                                          5.006
## 6
                                                  0.4 setosa
```

```
as tibble(as.data.frame(iris_tbl)) ## no need for head as tibble!
## # A tibble: 150 x 6
      Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species Sepal.Length.meam
##
             <dbl>
                          <dbl>
                                       <dbl>
                                                   <dbl> <fct>
                                                                              <dbl>
               5.1
                           3.5
                                         1.4
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               4.9
                                         1.4
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               4.7
                            3.2
                                         1.3
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               4.6
                           3.1
                                         1.5
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
                           3.6
                                         1.4
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               5.4
                            3.9
                                         1.7
                                                     0.4 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               4.6
                           3.4
                                         1.4
                                                     0.3 setosa
                                                                               5.01
                           3.4
                                         1.5
                                                                               5.01
                                                     0.2 setosa
               4.4
                            2.9
                                         1.4
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
## 10
               4.9
                            3.1
                                         1.5
                                                     0.1 setosa
                                                                               5.01
## # ... with 140 more rows
```

From tibbles to data frames and back

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```
head(as.data.frame(iris_tbl))
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species Sepal.Length.meam
                         3.5
                                                  0.2 setosa
             5.1
                                      1.4
                                                                         5.006
## 2
             4.9
                         3.0
                                      1.4
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                         5.006
## 3
             4.7
                         3.2
                                      1.3
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                         5.006
             4.6
                         3.1
                                      1.5
                                                 0.2 setosa
                                                                         5.006
             5.0
                         3.6
                                      1.4
                                                 0.2 setosa
                                                                         5.006
## 5
             5.4
                         3.9
                                      1.7
## 6
                                                  0.4 setosa
                                                                         5.006
```

```
as_tibble(as.data.frame(iris_tbl)) ## no need for head as tibble!
## # A tibble: 150 x 6
      Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species Sepal.Length.meam
             <dh1>
                         <dbl>
                                                   <dbl> <fct>
##
                                       <dbl>
                                                                              <dbl>
               5.1
                           3.5
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
                                         1.4
               4.9
                                        1.4
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               4.7
                           3.2
                                        1.3
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               4.6
                           3.1
                                        1.5
                                                                               5.01
                                                     0.2 setosa
                           3.6
                                        1.4
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               5.4
                           3.9
                                        1.7
                                                     0.4 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               4.6
                           3.4
                                        1.4
                                                     0.3 setosa
                                                                               5.01
                           3.4
                                        1.5
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
               4.4
                           2.9
                                        1.4
                                                     0.2 setosa
                                                                               5.01
## 10
               4.9
                           3.1
                                         1.5
                                                     0.1 setosa
                                                                               5.01
## # ... with 140 more rows
```

Note: for linear models, it is safer to convert everything into data frames!

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How to influence the display of tibbles?

You can change the number of rows being displayed:

```
print(iris_tbl, n = 2)
## # A tibble: 150 x 6
## # Groups: Species [3]
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species Sepal.Length.meam
           <dbl>
                       <dbl>
                                    <dbl>
                                                <dbl> <fct>
                                                                          <dbl>
## 1
             5.1
                         3.5
                                    1.4
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                          5.01
## 2
             4.9
                                      1.4
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                           5.01
## # ... with 148 more rows
print(iris_tbl, n = 8)
## # A tibble: 150 x 6
## # Groups: Species [3]
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species Sepal.Length.meam
##
           <dbl>
                       <dbl>
                                    <dbl>
                                                <dbl> <fct>
                                                                          <dbl>
## 1
              5.1
                         3.5
                                      1.4
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                           5.01
             4.9
                         3
                                      1.4
                                                                           5.01
                                                  0.2 setosa
## 3
             4.7
                         3.2
                                      1.3
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                           5.01
## 4
             4.6
                        3.1
                                      1.5
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                           5.01
             5
                         3.6
                                                                           5.01
## 5
                                      1.4
                                                  0.2 setosa
             5.4
                         3.9
                                      1.7
                                                                           5.01
## 6
                                                  0.4 setosa
## 7
             4.6
                         3.4
                                      1.4
                                                  0.3 setosa
                                                                           5.01
## 8
                          3.4
                                      1.5
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                                                           5.01
## # ... with 142 more rows
```

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```
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## # Groups: Species [3]
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species Sepal.Length.meam
                      <dbl>
                                   <dbl>
                                              <dbl> <fct>
           <dbl>
                                                                       <dbl>
## 1
             5.1
                        3.5
                                  1.4
                                               0.2 setosa
                                                                     5.01
## 2
             4.9
                                   1.4
                                                0.2 setosa
                                                                        5.01
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##
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                      <dbl>
                                   <dbl>
                                              <dbl> <fct>
                                                                       <dbl>
## 1
             5.1
                        3.5
                                    1.4
                                                0.2 setosa
                                                                        5.01
             4.9
                        3
                                    1.4
                                                                        5.01
## 2
                                                0.2 setosa
## 3
           4.7
                      3.2
                                    1.3
                                                0.2 setosa
                                                                        5.01
## 4
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                      3.1
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                                               0.2 setosa
                                                                       5.01
             5
                        3.6
## 5
                                    1.4
                                                0.2 setosa
                                                                        5.01
             5.4
                        3.9
                                    1.7
                                                                        5.01
## 6
                                                0.4 setosa
## 7
             4.6
                        3.4
                                    1.4
                                                0.3 setosa
                                                                        5.01
                        3.4
                                    1.5
                                                0.2 setosa
                                                                        5.01
## 8
## # ... with 142 more rows
```

Note: to always display all row you can set options(dplyr.print_min = Inf).

How to influence the display of tibbles?

You can change the number of digits being displayed:

Default:

```
x <- as_tibble(data.frame(pi = pi))
x
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
## pi
## <dbl>
## 1 3.14
```

How to influence the display of tibbles?

You can change the number of digits being displayed:

Default:

Changing setting:

```
old_opt <- options(pillar.sigfig = 10)
x
## # # A tibble: 1 x 1
## pi
## <dbl>
## 1 3.141592654
```

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## <dbl>
## 1 3.141592654
```

Reseting setting:

```
options(old_opt)
x
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
## pi
## <dbl>
## 1 3.14
```

tibbles

How to influence the display of tibbles?

Sometimes the default is a little too dangerous!

foo <- c(178, 175, 159, 164, 183, 160, 181, 189, 174, 177)

```
level <- c(rep("A", 6), rep("B", 4))</pre>
d <- data.frame(foo, level)</pre>
d %>%
     group_by(level) %>%
     summarize(Mean = mean(foo))
## # A tibble: 2 x 2
     level Mean
     <fct> <dbl>
            170.
```

2 B

180.

tibbles

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```
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d %>%
     group_by(level) %>%
     summarize(Mean = mean(foo))
## # A tibble: 2 x 2
     level Mean
     <fct> <dbl>
            170.
## 2 B
            180.
```

Compare to base R:

```
c(mean(foo[level == "A"]), mean(foo[level == "B"]))
## [1] 169.8333 180.2500
```

Note: but at least they have recently added the "." suggesting there are more number out there!

Getting started with \boldsymbol{R}

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Working directory

Before anything, you must know where you read & write on your hard drive!

```
getwd() ## get the working directory, to change it use setwd()
## [1] "/Users/alex/Dropbox/Boulot/Mes_projets_de_recherche/R_packages/BeginR_project/BeginR/sources_vignettes/usingdata"
dir() ## list all files in the working directory
## [1] "usingdata.nav" "usingdata.pdf" "usingdata.pdf.asis" "usingdata.Rnw" "usingdata.snm"
## [6] "usingdata.tex" "usingdata.toc" "usingdata.vrb"
dir(pattern = "*.csv") ## list all ffiles with the extension csv
## character(0)
```

Note: you can also set this up with RStudio but it won't be saved unless you set up a project file.

Exporting and importing data in the ${\bf R}$ binary format

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Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species

1.4

1.4

1.3

1.5

1.4

1.7

3.5

3.0

3.2

3.1

3.6

3.9

 ${\sf R}$ can write and read binary formats that take by convention the extensions .rda or .RData.

0.2 setosa

0.2 setosa

0.2 setosa

0.2 setosa

0.2 setosa

0.4 setosa

Example:

1

2

3

4

5

6

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load(file = "my_iris.rda")
head(my_iris)
```

Note: this is useful and best for **R** to **R** exchanges (but it is useless without **R**).

5.1

4.9

4.7

4.6

5.0

5.4

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                                      1.3
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                                                   0.2 setosa
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                                       1.4
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                          3.9
                                                   0.4 setosa
```

- Note 1: always check your file in a text editor before importing it or use RStudio "File/Import Datasets GUI".
- Note 2: you will have often to change the arguments sep (and dec if you are german).
- Note 3: setting stringsAsFactors = FALSE can avoid a lot of troubles!

Challenge

Create a data frame using your favorite spreadsheet software (or choose an existing one) and import it in \mathbf{R} .