

Getting to use data in R

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Handling data in R

There are many types of objects designed to store data in 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 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 kind.

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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Vector: general properties

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
```


Vector: general properties

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

```
height_girls[2] ## returns element 2
## [1] 175
height_girls[-3] ## remove element 3
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```
height_girls[c(1, 1, 2, 2, 2)] ## open room for bootstraps and more  
## [1] 178 178 175 175 175
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## [1] 178 178 175 175 175
```

```
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
```

Vector: general properties

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

```
foo <- c(alex = 1, colin = 2)
foo
##  alex colin
##    1     2
foo["colin"]
## colin
##    2
```

Vector: general properties

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```
foo <- c(alex = 1, colin = 2)
foo
##  alex colin
##    1     2
foo["colin"]
## colin
##    2
```

But names behave sometimes somewhat unexpectedly:

```
foo[1] + foo[2]
## alex
##    3
```

Vector: general properties

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

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

```
foo
## [1] 1 2 3
## attr("whatever")
## [1] "Learning to count"
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```

```
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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Vector: types

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- logicals

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- doubles

```
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## [1] 1.000000 1.200000 3.141593  
typeof(x = foo)  
## [1] "double"
```

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- characters

```
(foo <- c("bla", "bli", "blo"))
## [1] "bla" "bli" "blo"
typeof(x = foo)
## [1] "character"
```

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## [1] "double"
```

- characters

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(foo <- c("bla", "bli", "blo"))
## [1] "bla" "bli" "blo"
typeof(x = foo)
## [1] "character"
```

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

Vector: classes

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"
```

- 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

```
(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.

Vector: classes

There are more classes than types:

- factors

```
(foo <- factor(c("bla", "bli", "blo")))  
  
## [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  
table(foo)  
  
## foo  
## bla bli blo blu  
##    1    1    1    0
```


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## [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  
table(foo)  
  
## foo  
## bla bli blo blu  
## 1 1 1 0
```

- dates

```
(foo <- c(as.Date(x = "2018/06/18"),  
          as.Date(x = "19-06-18", format = "%d-%m-%y")))  
  
## [1] "2018-06-18" "2018-06-19"  
  
class(x = foo)  
  
## [1] "Date"  
  
typeof(x = foo)  
  
## [1] "double"  
  
foo + 50 ## you can do simple maths on dates!  
  
## [1] "2018-08-07" "2018-08-08"
```

Vector: classes

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## [1] "bla" "bli" "blo"  
  
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table(foo)  
  
## foo  
## bla bli blo blu  
##    1  1  1  0
```

- dates

```
(foo <- c(as.Date(x = "2018/06/18"),  
          as.Date(x = "19-06-18", format = "%d-%m-%y")))  
  
## [1] "2018-06-18" "2018-06-19"  
  
class(x = foo)  
## [1] "Date"  
  
typeof(x = foo)  
## [1] "double"  
  
foo + 50 ## you can do simple maths on dates!  
## [1] "2018-08-07" "2018-08-08"
```

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

Vector: classes

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

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

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```
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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 <- 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
```

Challenges:

- find out why the previous call produces an error.
- 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?

Vector: classes

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 <- 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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```

```
## [1] 1
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as.integer(x = -2.1)
```

```
## [1] -2
```

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foo <- 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"
```

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 <- 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

You can create them after in two steps:

```
sex <- c("girl","girl","girl","girl","girl", "girl",  
"boy","boy","boy","boy")  
class(x = sex)  
## [1] "character"
```

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

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class(x = sex)
## [1] "character"
```

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

Better code:

```
sex <- factor(x = c(rep(x = "girl", times = 6),
rep(x = "boy", times = 4)))
```

Even better code:

```
sex <- factor(x = c(rep(x = "girl", times = length(x = height_girls)),
rep(x = "boy", times = length(x = height_boys))))
```

Note: more on programming style later!

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
```

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```

You do:

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

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```

You do:

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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")
my_factor3
## [1] A A B B C
## Levels: C A B
```

Changing the order of levels of a factor

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

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

You do:

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my_factor2 <- factor(x = my_factor1, levels = levels(my_factor1)[c(3, 2, 1)])
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")
my_factor3
## [1] A A B B C
## Levels: C A B
```

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
```

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## Levels: A B C
```

You want:

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


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## Levels: A B C
```

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## Levels: A D
```

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## [1] "A" "B" "C"

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levels(x = my_factor2) <- c("A", "A", "D") ## in same order!
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")
my_factor2
## [1] A A A A D
## Levels: A D
```

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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  
##          3 character character
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```

```
any(is.na(x = bar))
## [1] TRUE

unique(x = bar)
## [1] 1.000000 1.200000 3.141593      NA

length(x = bar)
## [1] 4

str(object = bar)
## num [1:4] 1 1.2 3.14 NA

summary(object = bar)
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.    NA's
##      1.000   1.100   1.200   1.781   2.171   3.142        1
```

A more complex function: `sapply()`

`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)
##      [,1] [,2]      [,3] [,4]
## [1,]  1  1.2 3.141593  NA
## [2,]  1  1.2 3.141593  NA
## [3,]  1  1.2 3.141593  NA
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## [1,]    1  1.2 3.141593    NA
## [2,]    1  1.2 3.141593    NA
## [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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## [1,]      1  1.2 3.141593    NA
## [2,]      1  1.2 3.141593    NA
## [3,]      1  1.2 3.141593    NA
```

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## [[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
```

Note: this is useful when the function cannot work on vector and when the return is more than one element. For example, the input could be a vector of file names and the output one dataset per file!

Challenge: can you think of an alternative to do that without using `sapply()`?

The purrr alternative to `sapply()`: `purrr::map()`

```
library(purrr)
map(.x = bar, .f = triple) ## 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]]
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##
## [[3]]
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##
## [[4]]
## [1] NA NA NA
```

```
map_dfc(.x = bar, .f = triple) ## always returns a tibble binding columns

## # A tibble: 3 x 4
##       V1     V2     V3     V4
##   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1     1   1.2   3.14    NA
## 2     1   1.2   3.14    NA
## 3     1   1.2   3.14    NA
```

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Matrices & arrays

The matrices and arrays are direct extensions 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
class(x = my_matrix)
## [1] "matrix"
typeof(x = my_matrix) ## behind the curtain, matrices are stored as vectors!
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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 bulding 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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Matrices: general properties

They can be combined:

```
(my_2nd_matrix <- matrix(data = 13:18, ncol = 2, nrow = 3))  
##      [,1] [,2]  
## [1,]  13  16  
## [2,]  14  17  
## [3,]  15  18  
  
(my_3rd_matrix <- matrix(data = 1:4, nrow = 1))  
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]  
## [1,]    1    2    3    4
```

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## [2,]   14  17  
## [3,]   15  18
```

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```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]  
## [1,]    1    2    3    4
```

```
cbind(my_matrix, my_2nd_matrix) ## bind columns
```

```
##      [,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
```

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```

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```

```
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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,]    1    2    3    4
```


Matrices: general properties

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] [,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
```

```
colnames(x = my_matrix) <- c("A", "B", "C", "D")  
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
```

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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
```

A more complex function: `apply()`

`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
##      a      b      c
## 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 <- array(data = 1:8, dim = c(2, 2, 2))
foo
## , , 1
##
##      [,1] [,2]
## [1,]    1    3
## [2,]    2    4
##
## , , 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"
```

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))
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
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
## $boys
## [1] 181 189 174 177
```

```
list_height[["boys"]] ## vector
## [1] 181 189 174 177
```

```
list_height[[2]][3]
## [1] 174
```

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```
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)
dataframe_ht

##      Height Sex
## 1      181 girl
## 2      189 girl
## 3      174 girl
## 4      177 girl
## 5      178 girl
## 6      175 girl
## 7      159 boy
## 8      164 boy
## 9      183 boy
## 10     192 boy

class(dataframe_ht)

## [1] "data.frame"

typeof(dataframe_ht)

## [1] "list"
```


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## 5      178 girl
## 6      175 girl
## 7      159  boy
## 8      164  boy
## 9      183  boy
## 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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Data frames: general properties

They borrow from both matrices and lists:

As for matrices:

```
(dataframe_ht_double <- cbind(dataframe_ht, newcol = 1:10))
```

##	Height	Sex	newcol
## 1	181	girl	1
## 2	189	girl	2
## 3	174	girl	3
## 4	177	girl	4
## 5	178	girl	5
## 6	175	girl	6
## 7	159	boy	7
## 8	164	boy	8
## 9	183	boy	9
## 10	192	boy	10

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## 4      177 girl      4
## 5      178 girl      5
## 6      175 girl      6
## 7      159 boy       7
## 8      164 boy       8
## 9      183 boy       9
## 10     192 boy      10
```

```
dataframe_ht[, "Sex"]
```

```
## [1] girl girl girl girl girl boy boy boy boy
## Levels: boy girl
```

```
dataframe_ht[2, 2]
```

```
## [1] girl
## Levels: boy girl
```

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## 3      174 girl      3
## 4      177 girl      4
## 5      178 girl      5
## 6      175 girl      6
## 7      159 boy       7
## 8      164 boy       8
## 9      183 boy       9
## 10     192 boy      10
```

```
dataframe_ht[, "Sex"]
## [1] girl girl girl girl girl boy  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 1 1 1 1 1
```

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Data frames: challenge

The iris data set:

```
head(iris) ## this function displays the first 6 rows
```

##	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	5.0	3.6	1.4	0.2	setosa
## 6	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	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: general properties

Data frames can easily be edited:

```
backup <- dataframe_ht[1, 1]
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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backup <- dataframe_ht[1, 1]
dataframe_ht[1, 1] <- 171.3
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          1
## 2    189 girl          2
## 3    174 girl          3
## 4    177 girl          4
## 5    178 girl          5
## 6    175 girl          6
```

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backup <- dataframe_ht[1, 1]
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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          1
## 2    189 girl          2
## 3    174 girl          3
## 4    177 girl          4
## 5    178 girl          5
## 6    175 girl          6
```

```
dataframe_ht$linenumber <- NULL # remove column
head(x = dataframe_ht)

##   Height Sex
## 1    181 girl
## 2    189 girl
## 3    174 girl
## 4    177 girl
## 5    178 girl
## 6    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         5.0         3.6         1.4         0.2   setosa
## 6         5.4         3.9         1.7         0.4   setosa

summary(object = iris)

##   Sepal.Length   Sepal.Width   Petal.Length
##  Min.   :4.300   Min.   :2.000   Min.   :1.000
##  1st Qu.:5.100   1st Qu.:2.800   1st Qu.:1.600
##  Median :5.800   Median :3.000   Median :4.350
##  Mean   :5.843   Mean   :3.057   Mean   :3.758
##  3rd Qu.:6.400   3rd Qu.:3.300   3rd Qu.:5.100
##  Max.   :7.900   Max.   :4.400   Max.   :6.900
##   Petal.Width   Species
##  Min.   :0.100   setosa   :50
##  1st Qu.:0.300   versicolor:50
##  Median :1.300   virginica :50
##  Mean   :1.199
##  3rd Qu.:1.800
##  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"
## [4] "Petal.Width" "Species"
```

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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```

Or similarly:

```
with(data = iris, tapply(X = Sepal.Length, INDEX = Species, FUN = mean))
```

```
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```

Or similarly:

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with(data = iris, tapply(X = Sepal.Length, INDEX = Species, FUN = mean))
##      setosa versicolor  virginica
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```

Or similarly:

```
by(data = iris, INDICES = iris$Species, FUN = function(x) mean(x$Sepal.Length))
## iris$Species: setosa
## [1] 5.006
## -----
## iris$Species: versicolor
## [1] 5.936
## -----
## iris$Species: virginica
## [1] 6.588
```

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
## 3	virginica	6.588	2.974

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

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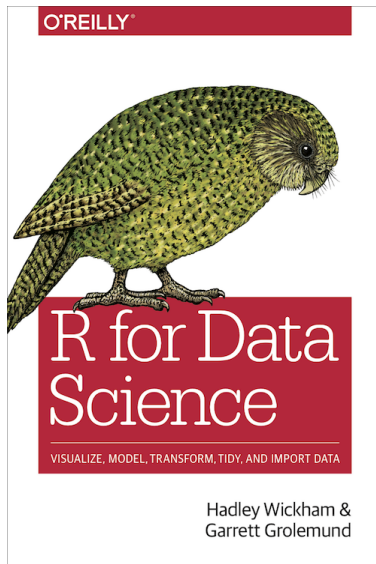
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Note 1: that has led to two quite distinct **R** dialects

Note 2: more and more users rely on tidyverse...

Note 3: we will see a bit of both dialects

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- different & redundant
- buggy (but less & less so)
- poor help within **R**
- lead to bad habits (e.g. arguments not named, help not looked at)
- broaden the gap between users and programmers

dplyr verbs

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```

- select rows with `filter()`

```
dataframe_ht_female <- dataframe_ht %>% filter(Sex == "girl")
head(dataframe_ht_female, n = 3)

##   Height Sex ID
## 1    181 girl 1
## 2    189 girl 2
## 3    174 girl 3
```

Around dplyr verbs

All these functions have many 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:

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

you want:

```
## 'data.frame': 150 obs. of  5 variables:
## $ Sepal.Length: chr  "5.1" "4.9" "4.7" "4.6" ...
## $ Sepal.Width : chr  "3.5" "3" "3.2" "3.1" ...
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you do:

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

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- `mutate()` or `transmute()` → one value per observation

group_by() with summarize()

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

you do:

```
x <- dataframe.ht %>%
  group_by(Sex) %>%
  summarize(mean_H = mean(Height, na.rm = T),
            median_H = median(Height, na.rm = T),
            n = n())
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```

you get:

```
as.data.frame(x)
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```


group_by() with mutate()

You want the mean height of males and females, the median height and the number in each group but get the value for each individual

you do:

```
x <- dataframe.ht %>%  
  group_by(Sex) %>%  
  mutate(mean_H = mean(Height, na.rm = T),  
         median_H = median(Height, na.rm = T),  
         n = n())  
  
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joining data frame

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## 2 ID-2 15.73457
## 3 ID-3 11.65749
## 4 ID-4 21.38112
## 5 ID-5 16.31803
## 6 ID-6 11.71813
## 11 ID-11 21.04712
```

you have df2:

```
my_df2
##      ID school grade origin
## 1 ID-4 Youhou 76.42 French
## 2 ID-5 bababa 71.88 Swiss
## 3 ID-1 genius 78.38 French
## 4 ID-12 Youhou 75.64 German
## 5 ID-7 bababa 61.49 German
## 6 ID-3 genius 20.21 French
## 7 ID-8 Youhou 72.40 German
## 8 ID-6 bababa 58.88 German
## 9 ID-2 genius 56.88 Swiss
## 10 ID-10 Youhou 30.58 French
```

You want to merge the two data frames

joining data frame with base R

You can use `merge()`

```
my_df3 <- merge(my_df1, my_df2)
```

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joining data frame with dplyr join()

or use `inner_join()`

```
library(dplyr)
my_df3 <- inner_join(my_df1, my_df2)
## Joining, by = "ID"
```

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joining data frame with `left_join()`

`left_join()` or `right_join()` keep all the rows of the data frame on the left (or right)
adds NA when no data are present

```
library(dplyr)
my_df3 <- left_join(my_df1, my_df2)
## Joining, by = "ID"
```

```
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##      ID      age school grade origin
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joining data frame with full_join()

full_join() keep all the rows of the two data frame
adds NA when no data are present

```
library(dplyr)
my_df3 <- full_join(my_df1, my_df2)
## Joining, by = "ID"
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you have wide data:

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dim(my_df1)
## [1] 7 2
```

you want long data:

```
head(my_df2)
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you do:

```
my_df2 <- my_df1 %>% gather("Age", "Height", -Sex, -ID) %>% arrange(ID, Age)
## Error in is_character(x): object 'Sex' not found
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or:

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you do:

```
my_df2 %>% spread(-Sex, -ID)
## Error in eval_tidy(enquo(var), var_env): object 'Sex' not found
```

some other useful functions

unite() merges 2 columns of a data frame

```
my_df3 <- my_df2 %>% unite(New_col, ID, Sex)
```

```
## Error in .f(.x[[i]], ...): object 'Sex' not found
```

```
head(my_df3)
```

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separate() separate 2 columns of a data frame

```
my_df3 %>% separate(New_col, c("ID", "Sex"))

## Error in eval_tidy(enquo(var), var_env): object 'New_col' not found
```

cheating data frame

plenty of informative cheatsheets on: <https://www.rstudio.com/resources/cheatsheets/>

Summary

```
dataframe.ht
```

```
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos):  
object 'dataframe.ht' not found
```

```
list.ht
```

```
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object 'list.ht' not found
```

Summary

- `data.frame`

- All columns have same length
- Each column can have its own class (e.g. `numeric`, `factor`, `character`)

- `list`

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Working directory

```
getwd() # to change, use setwd()
## [1] "/Users/alex/Dropbox/Boulot/Mes_projets_de_recherche/R_packages/BeginR_project/BeginR/sources_vignettes/usingdata"

dir() # listing all files in the working directory
## [1] "usingdata.pdf"      "usingdata.pdf.asis"
## [3] "usingdata.Rnw"

dir(pattern = "*.csv")
## character(0)
```

Exporting and importing data in R

```
write.csv(dataframe.ht,  
  file = "my.first.R.dataframe.csv", row.names = FALSE)  
  
rm(list = ls()) # deleting everything in R  
  
dataframe.ht <- read.csv("my.first.R.dataframe.csv")
```

R cannot read/write .xls files out of the box
Packages can do that but it is safer to use .csv files
Excel can read and write .csv files!

Challenge #2

Create a dataframe using your favorite spreadsheet software
and import it in R!