### Data Structures in R: covid19

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### Understanding the Data

Loading the dataset from the covid19.csv CSV file and quick exploration

```
install.packages(c("dplyr", "tibble", "readr"))
## Installing packages into '/cloud/lib/x86_64-pc-linux-gnu-library/4.5'
## (as 'lib' is unspecified)
library(dplyr)
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
       intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
library(tibble)
library(readr)
# Loading the dataset
covid_df <- read_csv("covid19.csv")</pre>
## Rows: 10903 Columns: 14
## -- Column specification ---
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (4): Continent_Name, Two_Letter_Country_Code, Country_Region, Province_...
## dbl (9): positive, hospitalized, recovered, death, total_tested, active, ho...
## date (1): Date
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
# Displaing the dimension of the data
dim(covid_df)
## [1] 10903
# Storing the column names in a variable
vector_cols <- colnames(covid_df)</pre>
```

```
# Displaing the variable vector_cols
vector_cols
   [1] "Date"
##
                             "Continent_Name"
##
   [3] "Two_Letter_Country_Code"
                             "Country_Region"
##
   [5] "Province_State"
                             "positive"
   [7] "hospitalized"
                             "recovered"
  [9] "death"
##
                             "total_tested"
## [11] "active"
                             "hospitalizedCurr"
## [13] "daily_tested"
                             "daily_positive"
# Showing the first few rows of the dataset
head(covid df)
## # A tibble: 6 x 14
             Continent Name Two Letter Country C~1 Country Region Province State
##
    Date
##
    <date>
             <chr>>
                           <chr>>
                                               <chr>>
                                                            <chr>>
                                                            All States
## 1 2020-01-20 Asia
                           KR
                                              South Korea
## 2 2020-01-22 North America
                                              United States All States
## 3 2020-01-22 North America
                                              United States Washington
## 4 2020-01-23 North America
                                              United States All States
## 5 2020-01-23 North America
                                              United States Washington
## 6 2020-01-24 Asia
                           KR
                                              South Korea
                                                           All States
## # i abbreviated name: 1: Two_Letter_Country_Code
## # i 9 more variables: positive <dbl>, hospitalized <dbl>, recovered <dbl>,
      death <dbl>, total_tested <dbl>, active <dbl>, hospitalizedCurr <dbl>,
## #
      daily_tested <dbl>, daily_positive <dbl>
# Showing a global view of the dataset.
glimpse(covid_df)
## Rows: 10,903
## Columns: 14
## $ Date
                         <date> 2020-01-20, 2020-01-22, 2020-01-22, 2020-01-2~
                         <chr> "Asia", "North America", "North America", "Nor~
## $ Continent_Name
## $ Two_Letter_Country_Code <chr> "KR", "US", "US", "US", "US", "US", "US", "US", "US"~
## $ Country_Region
                         <chr> "South Korea", "United States", "United States~
## $ Province State
                         <chr> "All States", "All States", "Washington", "All~
## $ positive
                         <dbl> 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 4, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1~
## $ hospitalized
                         ## $ recovered
## $ death
                         <dbl> 4, 1, 1, 1, 1, 27, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, ~
## $ total_tested
## $ active
                         ## $ hospitalizedCurr
                         ## $ daily_tested
                         <dbl> 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 5, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0~
                         ## $ daily_positive
```

The dataset contains 14 columns and 10,903 rows. This database provides information on the numbers (per day and cumulatively) of COVID-19 positive cases, deaths, tests performed and hospitalizations for each country through the column's names store in the variable vector\_cols.

- 1. This variable contains a character vector.
- 2. The use of the function glimpse() is the very first operation to do because we don't only learn about the dimensions of the database but also about the names of the first columns and their types and

content. It can replace the three previous operations: dim(), colnames(), and head().

### Isolating the Rows We Need

Selecting only the rows related to "All States" and removing the Province\_State.

We do this to select only the data that has been consolidated from all states. This makes it easier to analyze the overall national picture, and we no longer need the Province\_State column which now contains no data.

```
# Filter the "All States" Province states and remove the `Province_State` column
covid_df_all_states <- covid_df %>%
  filter(Province_State == "All States") %>%
  select(-Province_State)
head(covid_df_all_states)
## # A tibble: 6 x 13
##
     Date
                Continent_Name Two_Letter_Country_Code Country_Region positive
##
     <dat.e>
                <chr>>
## 1 2020-01-20 Asia
                                KR.
                                                        South Korea
                                                                               1
                                                        United States
## 2 2020-01-22 North America
                                                                               1
## 3 2020-01-23 North America
                               US
                                                        United States
                                                                               1
## 4 2020-01-24 Asia
                                                        South Korea
                                                                               2
## 5 2020-01-24 North America US
                                                        United States
                                                                               1
## 6 2020-01-25 Oceania
                               AU
                                                        Australia
## # i 8 more variables: hospitalized <dbl>, recovered <dbl>, death <dbl>,
```

We can remove Province\_State without loosing information because after the filtering step this column
only contains the value "All States".

#### Isolating the Columns We Need

• Creating a dataset for the daily columns from covid\_df\_all\_states dataframe

total\_tested <dbl>, active <dbl>, hospitalizedCurr <dbl>,

Let's recall the description of the dataset's columns.

daily\_tested <dbl>, daily\_positive <dbl>

- 1. Date: Date
- 2. Continent\_Name: Continent names
- Two\_Letter\_Country\_Code: Country codes
- 4. Country\_Region: Country names
- 5. Province\_State: States/province names; value is All States when state/provincial level data is not available
- 6. positive: Cumulative number of positive cases reported.
- active: Number of actively cases on that day.
- 8. hospitalized: Cumulative number of hospitalized cases reported.
- hospitalizedCurr: Number of actively hospitalized cases on that day.
- recovered: Cumulative number of recovered cases reported.
- death: Cumulative number of deaths reported.
- 12. total\_tested: Cumulative number of tests conducted.
- 13. daily\_tested: Number of tests conducted on the day; if daily data is unavailable, daily tested is averaged across number of days in between.
- daily\_positive: Number of positive cases reported on the day; if daily data is unavailable, daily
  positive is averaged across number of days in.

```
# Selecting the columns with cumulative numbers
covid_df_all_states_daily <- covid_df_all_states %>%
  select(Date, Country_Region, active, hospitalizedCurr, daily_tested, daily_positive)
head(covid_df_all_states_daily)
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##
    Date
             Country_Region active hospitalizedCurr daily_tested daily_positive
     <date>
                               <dbl>
                                                 <dbl>
## 1 2020-01-20 South Korea
                                                                  0
## 2 2020-01-22 United States
                                   0
                                                     0
                                                                  0
                                                                                 0
                                   0
                                                     0
## 3 2020-01-23 United States
                                                                  0
                                                                                 0
## 4 2020-01-24 South Korea
## 5 2020-01-24 United States
                                   0
                                                     0
                                                                                 0
                                                                  0
## 6 2020-01-25 Australia
```

# Extracting the Top Ten countries in the number of tested cases

Summarizing the data based on the Country\_Region column.

```
## # A tibble: 108 x 5
##
     Country_Region tested positive active hospitalized
##
     <chr>
                    <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 United States 17282363 1877179
                                                 0
## 2 Russia 10542266 406368 6924890
                 4091291 251710 6202214
## 3 Italy
                                            1699003
## 4 India
                 3692851 60959
                                                 0
                 2031192 163941 2980960
## 5 Turkey
                                                  0
                  1654779 90873 56454
                                                 0
## 6 Canada
## 7 United Kingdom 1473672
                           166909
                                                 0
## 8 Australia 1252900 7200 134586
                                               6655
## 9 Peru
                  976790
                            59497
                                                 0
## 10 Poland
                  928256
                            23987 538203
                                                  0
## # i 98 more rows
```

 ${\it \#Date, Country\_Region, active, hospitalizedCurr, daily\_tested, daily\_positive}$ 

#### Taking the top 10

```
covid_top_10 <- head(covid_df_all_states_daily_sum, 10)
covid_top_10</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 5
      Country_Region
##
                      tested positive active hospitalized
##
                       <dbl>
                                <dbl>
                                        <dbl>
##
  1 United States 17282363 1877179
                                            Λ
                                                         0
   2 Russia
                    10542266
                               406368 6924890
                                                         0
## 3 Italy
                     4091291
                               251710 6202214
                                                   1699003
## 4 India
                     3692851
                                60959
                               163941 2980960
## 5 Turkey
                     2031192
                                                         0
##
   6 Canada
                     1654779
                                90873
                                        56454
                                                         0
                                                         0
## 7 United Kingdom 1473672
                               166909
                                            0
## 8 Australia
                     1252900
                                 7200 134586
                                                      6655
## 9 Peru
                      976790
                                59497
                                            0
                                                         0
## 10 Poland
                      928256
                                23987 538203
                                                         0
```

## Identifying the Highest Positive Against Tested Cases

#### Getting vectors

```
countries <- covid_top_10$Country_Region</pre>
tested_cases <- covid_top_10$tested
positive_cases <- covid_top_10$positive</pre>
active cases <- covid top 10$active
hospitalized_cases <- covid_top_10$hospitalized
```

#### Naming vectors

```
names(positive_cases) <- countries</pre>
names(tested_cases) <- countries</pre>
names(active_cases) <- countries</pre>
names(hospitalized_cases) <- countries</pre>
```

#### Identifying

##

0.029232557

0.053692262

```
positive_cases
  United States
##
                           Russia
                                           Italy
                                                           India
                                                                          Turkey
                           406368
                                           251710
                                                           60959
                                                                          163941
##
          1877179
##
           Canada United Kingdom
                                       Australia
                                                            Peru
                                                                          Poland
##
            90873
                           166909
                                            7200
                                                           59497
                                                                           23987
sum(positive_cases)
## [1] 3108623
mean(positive_cases)
## [1] 310862.3
positive_cases/sum(positive_cases)
##
    United States
                           Russia
                                           Italy
                                                           India
                                                                          Turkey
##
      0.603861903
                      0.130722831
                                                     0.019609647
                                                                     0.052737498
                                     0.080971543
##
           Canada United Kingdom
                                       Australia
                                                                          Poland
                                                            Peru
```

0.019139342

0.007716278

0.002316138

```
positive_cases/tested_cases
   United States
                          Russia
                                                          India
                                                                        Turkey
                                          Italy
                     0.038546552
                                                    0.016507300
                                                                   0.080711720
##
      0.108618191
                                    0.061523368
##
           Canada United Kingdom
                                      Australia
                                                           Peru
                                                                        Poland
##
      0.054915490
                     0.113260617
                                    0.005746668
                                                    0.060910738
                                                                   0.025840932
Conclusion
positive_tested_top_3 <- c("United Kingdom" = 0.11, "United States" = 0.10, "Turkey" = 0.08)
positive_tested_top_3
## United Kingdom United States
                                         Turkey
##
             0.11
                            0.10
                                           0.08
```

## Keeping relevant information

```
# Creating vectors
united_kingdom \leftarrow c(0.11, 1473672, 166909, 0, 0)
united_states <- c(0.10, 17282363, 1877179, 0, 0)
turkey <- c(0.08, 2031192, 163941, 2980960, 0)
# Creating the matrix covid_mat
covid_mat <- rbind(united_kingdom, united_states, turkey)</pre>
# Naming columns
colnames(covid_mat) <- c("Ratio", "tested", "positive", "active", "hospitalized")</pre>
#d Displaying the matrix
covid mat
                 Ratio
                        tested positive active hospitalized
## united_kingdom 0.11 1473672
                                166909
                                              0
0
                                                          0
                  0.08 2031192 163941 2980960
                                                          0
## turkey
```

# Putting all together

```
question <- "Which countries have had the highest number of positive cases against the number of tests?
answer <- c("Positive tested cases" = positive_tested_top_3)

datasets <- list(
  original = covid_df,
  allstates = covid_df_all_states,
  daily = covid_df_all_states_daily,
  top_10 = covid_top_10
)

matrices <- list(covid_mat)
  vectors <- list(vector_cols, countries)</pre>
```