

# Class6

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All functions in R have at least 3 things: - A **name**, we pick this and use it to call our function,  
-Input **arguments** (there can be multiple) -The **body** lines of R code that do the work

##Our first (silly) function Write a function to add some numbers

```
add <- function(x,y=1) {  
  x+y  
}
```

Now we can call this function:

```
add(c(10,10),100)
```

```
[1] 110 110
```

## A second function

Write a function to generate random nucleotide sequences of a user specified length:

The `sample()` function can be helpful here.

```
sample(c("A","C","G","T"), size=50, replace=TRUE)
```

```
[1] "A" "G" "T" "A" "A" "A" "A" "G" "T" "C" "T" "A" "C" "A" "A" "T" "C" "G" "C"  
[20] "C" "G" "C" "A" "G" "A" "C" "A" "G" "A" "A" "T" "G" "G" "C" "T" "A" "A" "T"  
[39] "A" "C" "C" "A" "G" "A" "T" "G" "A" "C" "G" "G"
```

I want the a 1 elemnt long character vectro that looks this "ACCACT" not "A" "C" "C" "A" "C" "T"

```
v<-sample(c("A","C","G","T"), size=50, replace=TRUE)
paste(v,collapse="")
```

```
[1] "GACGAGGCGAATCAGCGGCGTCTGACGCTTGGTCAGAAGGTCGCTACATT"
```

Turn this into my first function

```
generate_dna <- function(size=50) {
  v<-sample(c("A","C","G","T"), size=size, replace=TRUE)
  paste(v,collapse="")
}
```

Test it:

```
generate_dna(60)
```

```
[1] "TCTCGTTATATCTCGCGACTCTGTCTAAGTAAAGGACTAGTCGGGCCAGTCGAGCTGTTT"
```

```
fasta <- FALSE
if(fasta) {
  cat("HELLO You")
}
```

Add the ability to return a multi-element vector or a single element fasta like vector.

```
generate_fasta <- function(size=50, fasta=TRUE) {
  v<-sample(c("A","C","G","T"), size=size, replace=TRUE)
  s<- paste(v,collapse="")
  if(fasta){
    return(s)
  }else{
    return(v)
  }
}
```

```
generate_fasta(10, fasta=FALSE)
```

```
[1] "A" "A" "C" "G" "C" "C" "A" "G" "T" "G"
```

## A protein generating function

```
generate_protein <- function(size = 50, fasta = TRUE) {  
  amino_acids <- c("A", "R", "N", "D", "C", "Q", "E", "G",  
                  "H", "I", "L", "K", "M", "F", "P", "S",  
                  "T", "W", "Y", "V")  
  
  v <- sample(amino_acids, size = size, replace = TRUE)  
  s <- paste(v, collapse = "")  
  
  if (fasta) {  
    return(s)  
  } else {  
    return(v)  
  }  
}
```

```
generate_protein(6)
```

```
[1] "SIFAWT"
```

Use our new `generate_protein()` function to make random protein sequences of length 6 to 12 (i.e. one length 7, etc. up to length 12) one way to do is “brute force”

```
generate_protein(6)
```

```
[1] "AETTTE"
```

```
generate_protein(7)
```

```
[1] "ITDYWDA"
```

```
generate_protein(8)
```

```
[1] "AWPWSVLM"
```

```
generate_protein(9)
```

```
[1] "SYSFMHNMN"
```

A second way is to use `for()` loop:

```
lengths <- 6:12  
lengths
```

```
[1] 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
```

```
for(i in lengths) {  
  cat(">", i, "\n", sep="")  
  aa <- generate_protein(i)  
  cat(aa)  
  cat("\n")  
}
```

```
>6  
TVFVTW  
>7  
CLTYRPW  
>8  
IAHTPYLC  
>9  
KFMSDRDRL  
>10  
VPEFSPDTCL  
>11  
TDNNPFWADYE  
>12  
LYMGQQCFNTEV
```

A third, and better, way to solve this is to use `apply()` family of functions, specifically the `sapply()` function in this case.

```
sapply(6:12,generate_protein)
```

```
[1] "HVGPMQ"      "VLSFVEL"      "NHHFHSYC"      "SKWPMSKCR"      "CRFGVIEICN"  
[6] "DLSDRGGEED"  "RGVLQNTMERFC"
```