

Assignment 2: Coding Basics

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OVERVIEW

This exercise accompanies the lessons in Environmental Data Analytics on coding basics.

Directions

1. Rename this file `<FirstLast>_A02_CodingBasics.Rmd` (replacing `<FirstLast>` with your first and last name).
2. Change “Student Name” on line 3 (above) with your name.
3. Work through the steps, **creating code and output** that fulfill each instruction.
4. Be sure to **answer the questions** in this assignment document.
5. When you have completed the assignment, **Knit** the text and code into a single PDF file.
6. After Knitting, submit the completed exercise (PDF file) to Sakai.

Basics, Part 1

1. Generate a sequence of numbers from one to 30, increasing by threes. Assign this sequence a name.
2. Compute the mean and median of this sequence.
3. Ask R to determine whether the mean is greater than the median.
4. Insert comments in your code to describe what you are doing.

```
#1. creating a sequence with from to by, also naming the sequence seq  
seq(1,30,3)
```

```
## [1] 1 4 7 10 13 16 19 22 25 28
```

```
seq <- seq(1,30,3)  
#2. calculating mean and median of sequence  
mean(seq)
```

```
## [1] 14.5
```

```
median(seq)
```

```
## [1] 14.5
```

```
#3. determining if median is greater than median  
mean(seq) > median (seq)
```

```
## [1] FALSE
```

Basics, Part 2

5. Create a series of vectors, each with four components, consisting of (a) names of students, (b) test scores out of a total 100 points, and (c) whether or not they have passed the test (TRUE or FALSE) with a passing grade of 50.
6. Label each vector with a comment on what type of vector it is.
7. Combine each of the vectors into a data frame. Assign the data frame an informative name.
8. Label the columns of your data frame with informative titles.

```
Names <- c('Emma', 'John', 'Luana', 'Luke') #characters  
Names
```

```
## [1] "Emma" "John" "Luana" "Luke"
```

```
Grades <- c(81,99,99,49) #integer  
Grades
```

```
## [1] 81 99 99 49
```

```
Pass <- c(Grades > 50) #logical  
Pass
```

```
## [1] TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE
```

```
df_creation <- as.data.frame(Names) #creating data frame  
df_creation
```

```
##   Names  
## 1 Emma  
## 2 John  
## 3 Luana  
## 4 Luke
```

```
df_NickSchoolClassGrades <- cbind(df_creation, Grades, Pass) #adding columns to data frame  
df_NickSchoolClassGrades
```

```
##   Names Grades Pass  
## 1 Emma     81 TRUE  
## 2 John     99 TRUE  
## 3 Luana     99 TRUE  
## 4 Luke     49 FALSE
```

```
#renaming columns to something informative
names(df_NickSchoolClassGrades)
```

```
## [1] "Names" "Grades" "Pass"
```

```
Names_of_Students <- Names
Names_of_Students
```

```
## [1] "Emma" "John" "Luana" "Luke"
```

```
Grades_of_Students <- Grades
Grades_of_Students
```

```
## [1] 81 99 99 49
```

```
Did_Students_Pass <- Pass
Did_Students_Pass
```

```
## [1] TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE
```

```
df_NickSchoolClassGrades #how do i change column names in the dataframe?
```

```
##   Names Grades Pass
## 1  Emma     81  TRUE
## 2  John     99  TRUE
## 3 Luana     99  TRUE
## 4  Luke     49 FALSE
```

9. QUESTION: How is this data frame different from a matrix?

Answer: This data frame is different because it has different types of data, e.g. numeric, logical, and characters. A matrix needs to have the same type of data.

10. Create a function with an if/else statement. Your function should take a **vector** of test scores and print (not return) whether a given test score is a passing grade of 50 or above (TRUE or FALSE). You will need to choose either the if and else statements or the ifelse statement.

11. Apply your function to the vector with test scores that you created in number 5.

```
ifelse(Grades<50, "False", "True")
```

```
## [1] "True" "True" "True" "False"
```

12. QUESTION: Which option of if and else vs. ifelse worked? Why?

Answer: The ifelse worked for me, I had trouble putting the Grades into the function, there would be an error in the “if” statement because the condition had a length > 1. This was the if else I created: `#grade <- function(Grades) { # if(Grades < 50) { # “False” # } # else { # “True” # } }` #if I entered grade(4), it would print back “False”, but if I submitted grade(Grades), I got the error ‘Error in if (Grades < 50) { : the condition has length > 1’