

# Session 2 - Introducing R 2

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# 1 Subsetting

- Accessing values to a specific portion of a data structure (vectors, matrices, lists, data frames)

## 1.1 Vectors

- Subsetting vectors using an integer index (vectors are one based, i.e. indices start from 1)

```
# make randomness reproducible
```

```
# creating and showing base vector
```

```
vec<-sample(1:100, 15, replace=FALSE)
```

```
vec
```

```
## [1] 53 51 50 84 1 75 5 31 21 27 20 56 85 97 4
```

```
# retrieving the fifth element
```

```
vec[5]
```

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

```
# assigning 500 to the fifth element
```

```
vec[5]<-500
```

```
vec
```

```
## [1] 53 51 50 84 500 75 5 31 21 27 20 56 85 97 4
```

- Negative index

```
# creating and showing the base vector
```

```
vec<-sample(1:100, 15, replace=FALSE)
```

```
vec
```

```
## [1] 86 83 91 82 66 14 64 65 97 2 94 60 88 74 77
```

```
# retrieving all elements except the fifth one
```

```
vec[-5]
```

```
## [1] 86 83 91 82 14 64 65 97 2 94 60 88 74 77
```

```
# assigning 500 to all elements except the fifth one
```

```
vec[-5]<-500
```

```
vec
```

```
## [1] 500 500 500 500 66 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500
```

- Subsetting vectors using an integer index vector(a vector of indices)

```
vec<-sample(1:100, 15, replace=FALSE)
vec
```

```
## [1]  3 46 71 18 37 42 39 50 70 51 20 35 44 80  8
```

```
vec[6:10]
```

```
## [1] 42 39 50 70 51
```

```
vec2<-vec
vec3<-vec
vec2[6:10]<-500
vec3[6:10]<-c(500, 600, 700, 800, 1000)
vec2
```

```
## [1]  3 46 71 18 37 500 500 500 500 500 20 35 44 80  8
```

```
vec3
```

```
## [1]  3 46 71 18 37 500 600 700 800 1000 20 35 44 80
## [15]  8
```

```
vec[seq(1,15, by=3)]
```

```
## [1]  3 18 39 51 44
```

```
vec2<-vec
vec3<-vec
vec2[seq(1,15, by=3)]<-100
vec3[seq(1,15, by=3)]<-c(100, 200, 300, 400, 500)
vec2
```

```
## [1] 100 46 71 100 37 42 100 50 70 100 20 35 100 80  8
```

```
vec3
```

```
## [1] 100 46 71 200 37 42 300 50 70 400 20 35 500 80  8
```

```
vec[c(1,3,7, 13)]
```

```
## [1]  3 71 39 44
```

```
vec2<-vec
vec3<-vec
vec2[c(1,3,7, 13)]<-200
vec3[c(1,3,7, 13)]<-c(200, 300, 400, 500)
vec2
```

```
## [1] 200 46 200 18 37 42 200 50 70 51 20 35 200 80  8
```

```
vec3
```

```
## [1] 200 46 300 18 37 42 400 50 70 51 20 35 500 80 8
```

```
vec[rep(c(1,2), 2)]
```

```
## [1] 3 46 3 46
```

```
vec2<-vec  
vec3<-vec  
vec2[rep(c(1,2), 2)]<-300  
vec3[rep(c(1,2), 2)]<-c(300, 400, 500, 600)  
vec2
```

```
## [1] 300 300 71 18 37 42 39 50 70 51 20 35 44 80 8
```

```
vec3
```

```
## [1] 500 600 71 18 37 42 39 50 70 51 20 35 44 80 8
```

```
iv<-sample(1:15, 6)  
iv
```

```
## [1] 7 15 4 3 11 14
```

```
vec[iv]
```

```
## [1] 39 8 18 71 20 80
```

```
vec2<-vec  
vec3<-vec  
vec2[iv]<-400  
vec3[iv]<-c(400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900)  
vec2
```

```
## [1] 3 46 400 400 37 42 400 50 70 51 400 35 44 400 400
```

```
vec3
```

```
## [1] 3 46 700 600 37 42 400 50 70 51 800 35 44 900 500
```

- Negative index vectors

```
vec<-sample(1:100, 15, replace=FALSE)  
vec
```

```
## [1] 9 67 21 23 30 66 50 85 73 86 20 65 41 2 24
```

```
vec[-10:-6]
```

```
## [1] 9 67 21 23 30 20 65 41 2 24
```

```
vec2<-vec  
vec2[-10:-6]<-100  
vec2
```

```
## [1] 100 100 100 100 100 100 66 50 85 73 86 100 100 100 100 100
```

```
vec[-(6:10)]
```

```
## [1] 9 67 21 23 30 20 65 41 2 24
```

```
vec2<-vec  
vec2[-(6:10)]<-200  
vec2
```

```
## [1] 200 200 200 200 200 200 66 50 85 73 86 200 200 200 200 200
```

```
vec[-c(1,3,7, 13)]
```

```
## [1] 67 23 30 66 85 73 86 20 65 2 24
```

```
vec2<-vec  
vec2[-c(1,3,7, 13)]<-300  
vec2
```

```
## [1] 9 300 21 300 300 300 50 300 300 300 300 300 41 300 300
```

```
iv<-sample(1:15, 6)  
iv
```

```
## [1] 4 8 9 11 12 5
```

```
vec[-iv]
```

```
## [1] 9 67 21 66 50 86 41 2 24
```

```
vec2<-vec  
vec2[-iv]<-400  
vec2
```

```
## [1] 400 400 400 23 30 400 400 85 73 400 20 65 400 400 400
```

- Using name indices

```
vec1<-c(1, 2,3 ,4, 5)
names(vec1)<-c("A", "B", "C", "D", "E")
vec1
```

```
## A B C D E
## 1 2 3 4 5
```

```
vec2<-c(a=1, b=2, c=3, d=4, e=5)
vec2
```

```
## a b c d e
## 1 2 3 4 5
```

```
vec1["B"]
```

```
## B
## 2
```

```
vec2["c"]
```

```
## c
## 3
```

```
vec1[c("B", "A", "C")]
```

```
## B A C
## 2 1 3
```

```
vec2[c("a", "e", "b")]
```

```
## a e b
## 1 5 2
```

- Using logical vectors: accessing values meeting some condition(s)

```
# creating and showing the base vector
vec<-sample(seq(-100,100), 20)
vec
```

```
## [1] 46 76 -96 -87 15 71 -95 21 28 49 44 -3 1 68 10 7 89
## [18] 24 -63 -33
```

```
# retrieve all the values lower than zero
vec[vec<0]
```

```
## [1] -96 -87 -95 -3 -63 -33
```

```
# change all the values lower than zero to 200
```

```
vec2<-vec  
vec2[vec2<0] <- 200  
vec
```

```
## [1] 46 76 -96 -87 15 71 -95 21 28 49 44 -3 1 68 10 7 89  
## [18] 24 -63 -33
```

```
vec2
```

```
## [1] 46 76 200 200 15 71 200 21 28 49 44 200 1 68 10 7 89  
## [18] 24 200 200
```

```
# retrieve all the values greater than zero and lower than 50
```

```
vec[vec>0 & vec<50]
```

```
## [1] 46 15 21 28 49 44 1 10 7 24
```

```
# change all the values greater than zero and lower than 50 to 300
```

```
vec2<-vec  
vec2[vec>0 & vec<50] <- 300  
vec
```

```
## [1] 46 76 -96 -87 15 71 -95 21 28 49 44 -3 1 68 10 7 89  
## [18] 24 -63 -33
```

```
vec2
```

```
## [1] 300 76 -96 -87 300 71 -95 300 300 300 300 -3 300 68 300 300 89  
## [18] 300 -63 -33
```

```
# retrieve all the even values
```

```
vec[(vec %% 2)==0]
```

```
## [1] 46 76 -96 28 44 68 10 24
```

```
# retrieve all the values greater than mean
```

```
mean(vec)
```

```
## [1] 8.6
```

```
vec[vec > mean(vec)]
```

```
## [1] 46 76 15 71 21 28 49 44 68 10 89 24
```

```
# retrieve all the values which their distance from
```

```
# mean is lower than one standard deviation
```

```
mean(vec)
```

```
## [1] 8.6
```

```
sd(vec)
```

```
## [1] 56.84179
```

```
vec[abs(vec-mean(vec)) < sd(vec)]
```

```
## [1] 46 15 21 28 49 44 -3 1 10 7 24 -33
```

```
# correct character values
```

```
x<-c("Bill", "Mike", "Bill", "John", "Mike", "Bill")
```

```
x
```

```
## [1] "Bill" "Mike" "Bill" "John" "Mike" "Bill"
```

```
x[x=="Bill"]<-"William"
```

```
x
```

```
## [1] "William" "Mike" "William" "John" "Mike" "William"
```

## 1.2 Matrices and Arrays

- Retrieving entire rows or columns

```
# creating and showing base matrix
```

```
mat<-matrix(sample(1:50, 24), 4, 6)
```

```
mat
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]  
## [1,] 37  42  33  16  28   8  
## [2,] 19  13  20   9  31  46  
## [3,]  3  18  11  48  24   7  
## [4,] 49  26  10  40  12  45
```

```
# retrieving row 3
```

```
mat[3,]
```

```
## [1]  3 18 11 48 24  7
```

```
# retrieving all rows but 3
```

```
mat[-3,]
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]  
## [1,] 37  42  33  16  28   8  
## [2,] 19  13  20   9  31  46  
## [3,] 49  26  10  40  12  45
```



```
# retrieving rows 1 and 3
mat[c(1,3),]
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
## [1,]   37   42   33   16   28    8
## [2,]    3   18   11   48   24    7
```

```
# retrieving all rows but 1 and 3
mat[-c(1,3),]
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
## [1,]   19   13   20    9   31   46
## [2,]   49   26   10   40   12   45
```

```
# retrieving column 3
mat[,3]
```

```
## [1] 33 20 11 10
```

```
# retrieving all columns but 3
mat[,-3]
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
## [1,]   37   42   16   28    8
## [2,]   19   13    9   31   46
## [3,]    3   18   48   24    7
## [4,]   49   26   40   12   45
```

```
# retrieving columns 3 and 6
mat[,c(3,6)]
```

```
##      [,1] [,2]
## [1,]   33    8
## [2,]   20   46
## [3,]   11    7
## [4,]   10   45
```

```
# retrieving all columns but 3 and 6
mat[, -c(3,6)]
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]   37   42   16   28
## [2,]   19   13    9   31
## [3,]    3   18   48   24
## [4,]   49   26   40   12
```

- Using integer indices (matrix rows and columns are one based, i.e. indices start from 1)

```
# creating and showing base matrix
mat<-matrix(sample(1:20, 12), 3, 4)
mat
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]  17   1  10   4
## [2,]   2  14   3   8
## [3,]   5   7  16  13
```

```
# retrieving the element at row 2 and column 3
mat[2,3]
```

```
## [1] 3
```

```
# assigning 50 to the element at row 2 and column 3
mat[2,3]<-50
mat
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]  17   1  10   4
## [2,]   2  14  50   8
## [3,]   5   7  16  13
```

- Using integer index vectors

```
# creating and showing base matrix
mat<-matrix(sample(1:30, 12), 3, 4)
mat
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]  22  28  24  30
## [2,]   1  16  29  23
## [3,]  20  27   3  10
```

```
# retrieving the elements at rows 1 and 2 and columns 2 and 3
mat[1:2,2:3]
```

```
##      [,1] [,2]
## [1,]  28  24
## [2,]  16  29
```

```
# assigning a submatrix to the elements at rows 1 and 2 and columns 2 and 3
submat<-matrix(c(50, 51,52,53), 2, 2)
mat[1:2,2:3]<-submat
mat
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]  22  50  52  30
## [2,]   1  51  53  23
## [3,]  20  27   3  10
```

- Using an index matrix

```
# creating and showing base matrix
mat<-matrix(sample(1:50, 24), 4, 6)
mat
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
## [1,]    2   37   36   39   21   14
## [2,]   28   13   44   24   29   18
## [3,]    6   27   15    3   32   11
## [4,]   12   17   10   26   49    5
```

```
# retrieving the elements at rows 1 and 2 and columns 2 and 3
im<-matrix(c(1,2,2,4,4,6), 3,2)
im
```

```
##      [,1] [,2]
## [1,]    1    4
## [2,]    2    4
## [3,]    2    6
```

```
mat[im]
```

```
## [1] 39 24 18
```

- Retrieving vectors as Matrices (drop=FALSE)

```
mat<-matrix(sample(1:50, 12), 3, 4)
mat
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]   36   34    4   22
## [2,]   35   23   17   20
## [3,]   16   40    8   48
```

```
# the result of the following command is a vector (of length one)
mat[2,3]
```

```
## [1] 17
```

```
# the result of the following command is a vector (of length four)
mat[3,]
```

```
## [1] 16 40  8 48
```

```
# the result of the following command is a matrix (one by one)
mat[2,3, drop=FALSE]
```

```
##      [,1]
## [1,]   17
```

```
# the result of the following command is a matrix (one by four)
mat[3, , drop=FALSE]
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]  16  40   8  48
```

### 1.3 Data Frames

- Retrieving rows using row indices

```
# building the sample data frame
id<-1:10
name<-sample(LETTERS, 10, replace=TRUE)
listening<-sample(seq(6,7, by=0.5), 10, replace=TRUE)
reading<-listening + sample(seq(-1,1, 0.5),1)
writing<-listening + sample(seq(-1,1, 0.5),1)
speaking<-listening + sample(seq(-1,1, 0.5),1)
ielts<-data.frame(id, name, listening, reading, writing, speaking)
ielts
```

```
##      id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1    1    H        7.0    7.5    6.0    7.5
## 2    2    E        6.5    7.0    5.5    7.0
## 3    3    G        6.0    6.5    5.0    6.5
## 4    4    K        7.0    7.5    6.0    7.5
## 5    5    T        6.5    7.0    5.5    7.0
## 6    6    V        6.5    7.0    5.5    7.0
## 7    7    E        6.0    6.5    5.0    6.5
## 8    8    J        6.5    7.0    5.5    7.0
## 9    9    N        6.5    7.0    5.5    7.0
## 10 10    B        6.5    7.0    5.5    7.0
```

```
# retrieving row number 4
ielts[4, ]
```

```
##      id name listening reading writing speaking
## 4    4    K         7    7.5    6    7.5
```

```
# retrieving rows 4,6,9
ielts[c(4,6,9), ]
```

```
##      id name listening reading writing speaking
## 4    4    K         7    7.5    6    7.5
## 6    6    V        6.5    7.0    5.5    7.0
## 9    9    N        6.5    7.0    5.5    7.0
```

```
# retrieving rows 1 to 5
ielts[1:5, ]
```

```
##    id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1   1   H         7.0     7.5     6.0     7.5
## 2   2   E         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 3   3   G         6.0     6.5     5.0     6.5
## 4   4   K         7.0     7.5     6.0     7.5
## 5   5   T         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
```

```
# retireving all rows but 4
ielts[-4, ]
```

```
##    id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1   1   H         7.0     7.5     6.0     7.5
## 2   2   E         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 3   3   G         6.0     6.5     5.0     6.5
## 5   5   T         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 6   6   V         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 7   7   E         6.0     6.5     5.0     6.5
## 8   8   J         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 9   9   N         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 10 10  B         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
```

```
# retireving all rows but 4,6, and 9
ielts[-c(4,6,9), ]
```

```
##    id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1   1   H         7.0     7.5     6.0     7.5
## 2   2   E         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 3   3   G         6.0     6.5     5.0     6.5
## 5   5   T         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 7   7   E         6.0     6.5     5.0     6.5
## 8   8   J         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 10 10  B         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
```

```
# retireving all rows but 1 to 5
ielts[-(1:5), ]
```

```
##    id name listening reading writing speaking
## 6   6   V         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 7   7   E         6.0     6.5     5.0     6.5
## 8   8   J         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 9   9   N         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
## 10 10  B         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
```

- Retireving columns using column indices

```
# showing the sample data frame again
ielts
```

```
##    id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1   1   H         7.0     7.5     6.0     7.5
## 2   2   E         6.5     7.0     5.5     7.0
```

```
## 3 3 G 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.5
## 4 4 K 7.0 7.5 6.0 7.5
## 5 5 T 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 6 6 V 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 7 7 E 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.5
## 8 8 J 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 9 9 N 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 10 10 B 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
```

```
# retireving coulmm 2 (name)
ielts[, 2]
```

```
## [1] H E G K T V E J N B
## Levels: B E G H J K N T V
```

```
# retireving coulmmns 2 (name) and 3 (listening)
ielts[, c(2,3)]
```

```
##      name listening
## 1      H         7.0
## 2      E         6.5
## 3      G         6.0
## 4      K         7.0
## 5      T         6.5
## 6      V         6.5
## 7      E         6.0
## 8      J         6.5
## 9      N         6.5
## 10     B         6.5
```

```
# retireving coulmmns 3 to 6
ielts[, 3:6]
```

```
##      listening reading writing speaking
## 1         7.0      7.5      6.0      7.5
## 2         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 3         6.0      6.5      5.0      6.5
## 4         7.0      7.5      6.0      7.5
## 5         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 6         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 7         6.0      6.5      5.0      6.5
## 8         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 9         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 10        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
```

```
# retireving all coulmmns but 2 (name)
ielts[, -2]
```

```
##      id listening reading writing speaking
## 1     1         7.0      7.5      6.0      7.5
## 2     2         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
```

```
## 3 3 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.5
## 4 4 7.0 7.5 6.0 7.5
## 5 5 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 6 6 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 7 7 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.5
## 8 8 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 9 9 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 10 10 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
```

```
# retireving all columns but 2 (name) and 3 (listening)
ielts[, -c(2,3)]
```

```
## id reading writing speaking
## 1 1 7.5 6.0 7.5
## 2 2 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 3 3 6.5 5.0 6.5
## 4 4 7.5 6.0 7.5
## 5 5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 6 6 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 7 7 6.5 5.0 6.5
## 8 8 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 9 9 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 10 10 7.0 5.5 7.0
```

```
# retireving all coulms but 3 to 6
ielts[, -(3:6)]
```

```
## id name
## 1 1 H
## 2 2 E
## 3 3 G
## 4 4 K
## 5 5 T
## 6 6 V
## 7 7 E
## 8 8 J
## 9 9 N
## 10 10 B
```

- Retireving columns using column names

```
# showing the sample data frame again
ielts
```

```
## id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1 1 H 7.0 7.5 6.0 7.5
## 2 2 E 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 3 3 G 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.5
## 4 4 K 7.0 7.5 6.0 7.5
## 5 5 T 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 6 6 V 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 7 7 E 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.5
```

```
## 8 8 J 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 9 9 N 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
## 10 10 B 6.5 7.0 5.5 7.0
```

```
# retrieving column "name"
ielts[, "name"]
```

```
## [1] H E G K T V E J N B
## Levels: B E G H J K N T V
```

```
# retrieving columns "name" and "listening"
ielts[, c("name", "listening")]
```

```
##      name listening
## 1      H         7.0
## 2      E         6.5
## 3      G         6.0
## 4      K         7.0
## 5      T         6.5
## 6      V         6.5
## 7      E         6.0
## 8      J         6.5
## 9      N         6.5
## 10     B         6.5
```

- Retrieving columns using `<data frame name>$<column name>` (the most convenient way of retrieving a single column)

```
# showing the sample data frame again
ielts
```

```
##      id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1     1   H         7.0      7.5      6.0      7.5
## 2     2   E         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 3     3   G         6.0      6.5      5.0      6.5
## 4     4   K         7.0      7.5      6.0      7.5
## 5     5   T         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 6     6   V         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 7     7   E         6.0      6.5      5.0      6.5
## 8     8   J         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 9     9   N         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 10    10  B         6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
```

```
# retrieving column "name"
ielts$name
```

```
## [1] H E G K T V E J N B
## Levels: B E G H J K N T V
```



```
# retireving coulumn "listening"
ielts$listening
```

```
## [1] 7.0 6.5 6.0 7.0 6.5 6.5 6.0 6.5 6.5 6.5
```

```
# compute mean of writing column
mean(ielts$writing)
```

```
## [1] 5.5
```

- Retireving data based on conditions

```
# showing the sample data frame again
ielts
```

```
##      id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1    1    H        7.0      7.5      6.0      7.5
## 2    2    E        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 3    3    G        6.0      6.5      5.0      6.5
## 4    4    K        7.0      7.5      6.0      7.5
## 5    5    T        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 6    6    V        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 7    7    E        6.0      6.5      5.0      6.5
## 8    8    J        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 9    9    N        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 10 10    B        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
```

```
# retireving rows of data where writing is >= 6.5
ielts[ielts$writing >= 6.5 , ]
```

```
## [1] id      name      listening reading  writing  speaking
## <0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

```
# retireving rows of data where writing is >= 6.5 and speaking is >=6
ielts[ielts$writing >= 6.5 & ielts$speaking >= 6, ]
```

```
## [1] id      name      listening reading  writing  speaking
## <0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

```
# retireving rows of data where writing is >= 6.5 or speaking is >=6
ielts[ielts$writing >= 6.5 | ielts$speaking >= 6, ]
```

```
##      id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1    1    H        7.0      7.5      6.0      7.5
## 2    2    E        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 3    3    G        6.0      6.5      5.0      6.5
## 4    4    K        7.0      7.5      6.0      7.5
## 5    5    T        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 6    6    V        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 7    7    E        6.0      6.5      5.0      6.5
## 8    8    J        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 9    9    N        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
## 10 10    B        6.5      7.0      5.5      7.0
```

```
# retireving just name column where writing is >= 6.5
ielts[ielts$writing >= 6.5 , "name"]
```

```
## factor(0)
## Levels: B E G H J K N T V
```

```
# or
ielts[ielts$writing >= 6.5 , 2]
```

```
## factor(0)
## Levels: B E G H J K N T V
```

```
# or
ielts[ielts$writing >= 6.5 , ]$name
```

```
## factor(0)
## Levels: B E G H J K N T V
```

```
# retireving id and name columns where speaking > 6
ielts[ielts$speaking > 6 , c("id", "name")]
```

```
##      id name
## 1     1    H
## 2     2    E
## 3     3    G
## 4     4    K
## 5     5    T
## 6     6    V
## 7     7    E
## 8     8    J
## 9     9    N
## 10    10   B
```

```
# retireving all data where speaking is >= average of speakings
ielts[ielts$speaking >= mean(ielts$speaking) , ]
```

```
##      id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1     1    H        7.0      7.5     6.0      7.5
## 2     2    E        6.5      7.0     5.5      7.0
## 4     4    K        7.0      7.5     6.0      7.5
## 5     5    T        6.5      7.0     5.5      7.0
## 6     6    V        6.5      7.0     5.5      7.0
## 8     8    J        6.5      7.0     5.5      7.0
## 9     9    N        6.5      7.0     5.5      7.0
## 10    10   B        6.5      7.0     5.5      7.0
```

## 2 Input/Output data

- Almost all of the statistical data of the real world projects are saved in files.
- They should be read and loaded to memory to be processed.
- The results of statistical analyses have to be written to files too.

## 2.1 Reading tabular data

- Tabular data are ideal to be loaded as data frames.
- Columns are separated from each other by some separator characters (whitespace, tab, comma, ...)
- Each line represents a row of data.
- Reading data frames using `read.table()`
  - default separator is whitespace

```
# assuming that the file "ielts.txt" is in the working directory
```

```
# read the entire data
```

```
ielts2<-read.table("ielts.txt", header=TRUE)
ielts2
```

```
##      id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1    1    N        6.0      5.5      7.0      5.0
## 2    2    Z        7.0      6.5      8.0      6.0
## 3    3    X        6.5      6.0      7.5      5.5
## 4    4    N        6.5      6.0      7.5      5.5
## 5    5    I        6.5      6.0      7.5      5.5
## 6    6    T        6.5      6.0      7.5      5.5
## 7    7    I        7.0      6.5      8.0      6.0
## 8    8    I        6.0      5.5      7.0      5.0
## 9    9    U        7.0      6.5      8.0      6.0
## 10 10    A        7.0      6.5      8.0      6.0
```

```
# read the first 6 rows
```

```
ielts3<-read.table("ielts.txt", header=TRUE, nrows=6)
ielts3
```

```
##      id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1    1    N        6.0      5.5      7.0      5.0
## 2    2    Z        7.0      6.5      8.0      6.0
## 3    3    X        6.5      6.0      7.5      5.5
## 4    4    N        6.5      6.0      7.5      5.5
## 5    5    I        6.5      6.0      7.5      5.5
## 6    6    T        6.5      6.0      7.5      5.5
```

- Reading data frames using `read.csv()`
  - csv stands for Comma Separated Values
  - much like `read.table`
  - default separator is comma

```
# assuming that the file "ielts.csv" is in the working directory
```

```
# read the entire data
```

```
ielts2<-read.csv("ielts.csv", header=TRUE)
ielts2
```

```
##      X id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1    1  1    K        6.5      7.0      5.5      6.5
```

```
## 2 2 2 Y 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.0
## 3 3 3 X 7.0 7.5 6.0 7.0
## 4 4 4 A 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.0
## 5 5 5 Q 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.0
## 6 6 6 X 6.5 7.0 5.5 6.5
## 7 7 7 T 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.0
## 8 8 8 A 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.0
## 9 9 9 J 7.0 7.5 6.0 7.0
## 10 10 10 T 6.5 7.0 5.5 6.5
```

```
# read the first 6 rows
ielts3<-read.csv("ielts.csv", header=TRUE, nrows=6)
ielts3
```

```
## X id name listening reading writing speaking
## 1 1 1 K 6.5 7.0 5.5 6.5
## 2 2 2 Y 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.0
## 3 3 3 X 7.0 7.5 6.0 7.0
## 4 4 4 A 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.0
## 5 5 5 Q 6.0 6.5 5.0 6.0
## 6 6 6 X 6.5 7.0 5.5 6.5
```

## 2.2 Reading text files

- Use `readLines()` to read all or some lines from a text file

```
# assuming that the file "myfile.txt" is in the working directory

# reading all the file
lines<-readLines("myfile.txt")
lines
```

```
## [1] "We assume no responsibility for errors or omissions."
## [2] "Damages resulting from the use of the information contained herein."
## [3] "Problems specific to the modern age. Problems of the nuclear age. The Victorian age."
## [4] "It takes ages to cook. I've been waiting for ages."
## [5] "It's been ages since we last spoke. It's been an age since we last spoke."
## [6] "Her back went bent with age. This cheese improves with age. This wine improves with age."
## [7] "His temper hasn't improved with age."
## [8] "Act you age, please."
## [9] "He was prosecuted for having sex with a girl who was under age."
## [10] "In this age, it can sometimes seem like every system is connected to every other system."
## [11] "Will you be delivering services or consuming them?"
## [12] "It is a key part of all modern, public-facing applications."
## [13] "This book is here to help you navigate your way along the road ahead."
## [14] "You will see how to devise great solutions."
## [15] "This book has you covered, from technical details to the big picture."
## [16] "PHP has always taken on the mission to solve the web problem."
## [17] "Her voice took on a troubled tone."
```

```
# reading first 4 lines
lines<-readLines("myfile.txt", 4)
lines
```

```
## [1] "We assume no responsibility for errors or omissions."
## [2] "Damages resulting from the use of the information contained herein."
## [3] "Problems specific to the modern age. Problems of the nuclear age. The Victorian age."
## [4] "It takes ages to cook. I've been waiting for ages."
```

## 2.3 Reading web pages

- `readLines()` can be used to read all or some lines from a web page

```
# reading all the web page
lines<-readLines("http://www.google.com")
```

```
## Warning in readLines("http://www.google.com"): incomplete final line found
## on 'http://www.google.com'
```

```
lines
```

```
## [1] "<!doctype html><html itemscope=\"\" itemtype=\"http://schema.org/WebPage\" lang=\"en-IR\"><head>"
## [2] "function _gjh(){!_gjuc()&&window.google&&google.x&&google.x({id:\"GJH\"},function(){google.nav&"
## [3] "if (!iesg){document.f&&document.f.q.focus();document.gbqf&&document.gbqf.q.focus();}"
## [4] "}"
## [5] "})();</script><div id=\"mngb\">    <div id=gbar><nobr><b class=gb1>Search</b> <a class=gb1 href="
## [6] "a.i.Z,window.gbar.elr&&a.i.$(window.gbar.elr()),window.gbar.elc&&window.gbar.elc(a.i.$),a.i.G(!"
## [7] "});})();</script> </div> </span><br clear=\"all\" id=\"lgpd\"><div id=\"lga\"><img alt=\"Google"
## [8] "</script></div></body></html>"
```

```
# reading first 4 lines
lines<-readLines("http://www.google.com", 4)
lines
```

```
## [1] "<!doctype html><html itemscope=\"\" itemtype=\"http://schema.org/WebPage\" lang=\"en-IR\"><head>"
## [2] "function _gjh(){!_gjuc()&&window.google&&google.x&&google.x({id:\"GJH\"},function(){google.nav&"
## [3] "if (!iesg){document.f&&document.f.q.focus();document.gbqf&&document.gbqf.q.focus();}"
## [4] "}"
```

## 2.4 Writing tabular data

- Writing data frames using `write.table()`
  - default separator is whitespace

```
# write the entire data
write.table(ielts, "ielts.data.txt", row.names=FALSE)
```

- Writing data frames using `write.csv()`
  - default separator is comma

```
# write the entire data
write.table(ielts, "ielts.data.csv", row.names=FALSE)
```

## 2.5 Writing to text files

- Use writeLines() to write text vectors to a text file

```
lines<-c("line 1", "line 2", "line 3")

# writing to file
writeLines(lines, "myTextFile.txt")

# reading file
readLines("myTextFile.txt")
```

```
## [1] "line 1" "line 2" "line 3"
```

## 2.6 Output to the screen

- Object's name followed by Enter

```
# show value of a vector
v<-sample(1:10, 5)
v
```

```
## [1] 7 9 6 4 8
```

```
# show value of a matrix
m<-matrix(sample(1:10, 9), 3, 3)
m
```

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

```
# show value of a data frame
df<-data.frame(a=sample(1:10, 4), b=sample(1:10, 4),
               c=sample(c("AB", "CD", "EF"), 4, replace=TRUE))
df
```

```
##      a  b  c
## 1 10  6 CD
## 2  4  8 CD
## 3  5  3 AB
## 4  8 10 CD
```

```
# show contents of a function
mySquare<-function(x){
  return(x^2)
}
mySquare
```

```
## function(x){
##   return(x^2)
## }
```

- Using print() function

```
# show value of a vector
v<-sample(1:10, 5)
print(v)
```

```
## [1] 7 6 8 2 10
```

```
# show value of a matrix
m<-matrix(sample(1:10, 9), 3, 3)
print(m)
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3]
## [1,] 6    7    9
## [2,] 2    4    1
## [3,] 10   5    3
```

```
# show value of a data frame
df<-data.frame(a=sample(1:10, 4), b=sample(1:10, 4),
               c=sample(c("AB", "CD", "EF"), 4, replace=TRUE))
print(df)
```

```
##   a b c
## 1 4 4 AB
## 2 3 10 EF
## 3 9 1 AB
## 4 5 6 EF
```

```
# show contents of a function
mySquare<-function(x){
  return(x^2)
}
print(mySquare)
```

```
## function(x){
##   return(x^2)
## }
```

- Using cat() function to concatenate and print values

- \n means newline
- \t means tab
- \\ means backslash \
- \' means ASCII apostrophe '
- \" means ASCII quotation mark "
- ` means ASCII grave accent (backtick) `

```
item<-50
cat("Item no :", item)
```

```
## Item no : 50
```

```
result<-matrix(sample(1:10, 9), 3, 3)
cat("The result is \n", result)
```

```
## The result is
##  2 10 1 6 3 5 8 4 7
```

```
v<-c(sample(1:10), 3)
cat("1:", v[1], "\t 2:", v[2], "\t 3:", v[3])
```

```
## 1: 10      2: 5      3: 1
```

```
cat("Let me introduce \"Tom Hanks\"")
```

```
## Let me introduce "Tom Hanks"
```

## 3 Basic R Functions

### 3.1 Exploratory Data Analysis Functions

- Useful functions for briefly exploring data structure and value of objects
- Use head() and tail() function to view respectively the first and last parts of vectors, matrices, data frames, ....

```
vec<-sample(1:1000, 500)
mat<-matrix(sample(1:10000, 1200), 200, 6)
df<-data.frame(a=vec, b=log(vec), c=sqrt(vec), e=sample(LETTERS, 500, replace=TRUE),
               stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
```

```
head(vec) # returns the first 10 elements
```

```
## [1] 768 615 828 49 914 902
```

```
head(vec, 15) # returns the first 15 elements
```

```
## [1] 768 615 828 49 914 902 272 756 156 412 829 550 413 938 298
```



```
tail(vec) # returns the last 10 elements
```

```
## [1] 765 352 986 845 389 646
```

```
tail(vec, 8) # returns the last 8 elements
```

```
## [1] 454 256 765 352 986 845 389 646
```

```
head(mat) # returns the first 10 rows
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]  
## [1,]  431 4843 5076 8941 2192 5269  
## [2,] 4730  868 8117 4159 9946 6526  
## [3,] 7794 4513 4733 7150 9391 4050  
## [4,] 2186 6568 8506 4407 9970 2229  
## [5,] 7594 1726 8461 8205  388  705  
## [6,] 4844 1230 7111 1860 6720 5328
```

```
head(mat, 15) # returns the first 15 rows
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]  
## [1,]  431 4843 5076 8941 2192 5269  
## [2,] 4730  868 8117 4159 9946 6526  
## [3,] 7794 4513 4733 7150 9391 4050  
## [4,] 2186 6568 8506 4407 9970 2229  
## [5,] 7594 1726 8461 8205  388  705  
## [6,] 4844 1230 7111 1860 6720 5328  
## [7,] 6400  890 5187 7696 8881 1617  
## [8,] 4249 7996 4570  837 6657 1858  
## [9,] 3460 4122 3659 7109  386 1778  
## [10,] 8380 5363 2716 7679 2776 8691  
## [11,] 9727 3145 5410 7166 8262 3987  
## [12,] 4713 9094 3696 6818 7253 4028  
## [13,] 5081 1795 1091 4255 9989 8508  
## [14,] 8809 6937 4162 4731 2448 5746  
## [15,] 8541 5047 8648 5446 8447 4492
```

```
tail(mat) # returns the last 10 rows
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]  
## [195,] 7539 4549 1732 7815 6290 5108  
## [196,] 5179 3393 1419 3312 9226  762  
## [197,] 2446 9184 6042 5596 8507 3528  
## [198,] 6509 3439 3802 9583 3849 8416  
## [199,] 9884 4219 5828 9565 4874 2382  
## [200,] 9623 6947 7549 6906 7020 9538
```

```
tail(mat, 8) # returns the last 8 rows
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
## [193,] 1456 8582 5715 9121 6510 3334
## [194,] 7733 8278 7126 5740 3506 1462
## [195,] 7539 4549 1732 7815 6290 5108
## [196,] 5179 3393 1419 3312 9226 762
## [197,] 2446 9184 6042 5596 8507 3528
## [198,] 6509 3439 3802 9583 3849 8416
## [199,] 9884 4219 5828 9565 4874 2382
## [200,] 9623 6947 7549 6906 7020 9538
```

```
head(df) # returns the first 10 rows
```

```
##      a      b      c e
## 1 768 6.643790 27.71281 J
## 2 615 6.421622 24.79919 B
## 3 828 6.719013 28.77499 E
## 4  49 3.891820 7.00000 U
## 5 914 6.817831 30.23243 I
## 6 902 6.804615 30.03331 L
```

```
head(df, 15) # returns the first 15 rows
```

```
##      a      b      c e
## 1 768 6.643790 27.71281 J
## 2 615 6.421622 24.79919 B
## 3 828 6.719013 28.77499 E
## 4  49 3.891820 7.00000 U
## 5 914 6.817831 30.23243 I
## 6 902 6.804615 30.03331 L
## 7 272 5.605802 16.49242 K
## 8 756 6.628041 27.49545 F
## 9 156 5.049856 12.49000 T
## 10 412 6.021023 20.29778 D
## 11 829 6.720220 28.79236 F
## 12 550 6.309918 23.45208 Y
## 13 413 6.023448 20.32240 Q
## 14 938 6.843750 30.62679 E
## 15 298 5.697093 17.26268 I
```

```
tail(df) # returns the last 10 rows
```

```
##      a      b      c e
## 495 765 6.639876 27.65863 N
## 496 352 5.863631 18.76166 L
## 497 986 6.893656 31.40064 W
## 498 845 6.739337 29.06888 E
## 499 389 5.963579 19.72308 G
## 500 646 6.470800 25.41653 X
```

```
tail(df, 8) # returns the last 8 rows
```

```
##      a      b      c e
## 493 454 6.118097 21.30728 Z
## 494 256 5.545177 16.00000 S
## 495 765 6.639876 27.65863 N
## 496 352 5.863631 18.76166 L
## 497 986 6.893656 31.40064 W
## 498 845 6.739337 29.06888 E
## 499 389 5.963579 19.72308 G
## 500 646 6.470800 25.41653 X
```

- `table()` function returns the frequency of elements of a vector

```
vec1<-sample(1:10, 20, replace=TRUE)
vec1
```

```
## [1] 5 1 2 6 2 2 8 5 8 5 9 4 10 10 8 8 4 8 9 4
```

```
table(vec)
```

```
## vec
##  2  5  7  8 14 16 17 18 19 23 25 28 29 30 33 35 36 39
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 41 44 47 48 49 52 56 58 59 60 62 65 67 70 73 75 79 80
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 81 84 85 87 89 94 97 100 103 105 106 113 115 117 118 119 120 124
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 126 131 132 134 139 140 141 143 145 146 148 149 151 152 154 155 156 158
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 162 164 165 166 167 169 170 171 172 176 184 185 187 188 189 191 192 193
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 196 197 198 200 201 205 207 208 209 211 212 215 219 223 225 227 229 232
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 233 234 235 238 239 241 244 245 248 249 251 252 255 256 257 260 261 262
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 269 271 272 276 277 278 280 281 282 283 285 286 288 289 290 291 298 299
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 303 304 306 309 311 312 313 314 315 317 322 326 328 329 331 334 337 338
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 341 342 343 344 345 346 349 351 352 354 356 357 360 364 365 367 371 372
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 381 382 383 384 385 388 389 392 395 396 397 398 399 402 404 405 408 409
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 410 412 413 414 415 419 420 421 427 428 429 431 438 439 440 441 443 445
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 446 447 449 450 451 452 453 454 456 457 459 460 461 462 464 465 467 469
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 470 473 474 479 480 481 482 484 486 487 488 489 490 491 492 496 497 502
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 503 504 506 508 509 514 516 517 518 522 523 525 526 527 529 531 532 535
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 537 539 541 542 543 549 550 552 553 555 558 562 564 565 568 569 574 575
##  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
## 576 578 580 581 582 583 584 585 587 588 591 592 593 596 600 603 604 607
```

```
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 609 612 613 615 616 617 622 625 628 634 638 639 641 644 646 647 648 651
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 652 653 654 659 664 665 667 669 672 674 676 678 680 686 687 695 697 700
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 702 703 707 709 711 714 715 718 720 725 726 730 733 734 736 738 739 740
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 741 742 743 744 745 746 748 750 754 756 757 759 760 761 762 765 766 768
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 770 772 775 776 777 779 781 784 786 787 789 790 791 795 797 799 802 804
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 805 810 813 815 816 820 821 824 826 828 829 830 831 833 834 836 840 841
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 842 844 845 846 849 850 851 852 853 854 855 857 858 860 862 865 867 868
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 872 874 878 879 880 882 889 890 891 894 895 901 902 903 904 906 907 911
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 912 914 918 919 921 924 925 927 929 931 933 934 938 942 946 949 951 953
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 956 957 958 959 962 963 965 967 968 970 971 972 974 975 976 978 979 980
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
## 982 983 984 985 986 987 988 989 991 994 996 997 998 999
## 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
```

```
vec2<-c(TRUE, FALSE, FALSE, FALSE, TRUE)
vec2
```

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

```
table(vec2)
```

```
## vec2
## FALSE TRUE
## 3 2
```

- Use `str()` function to investigate briefly the internal structure of an object

```
vec<-sample(1:1000, 500)
mat<-matrix(sample(1:10000, 1200), 200, 6)
df<-data.frame(a=vec, b=log(vec), c=sqrt(vec), e=sample(LETTERS, 500, replace=TRUE),
               stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
str(vec)
```

```
## int [1:500] 179 940 309 963 339 862 970 65 432 139 ...
```

```
str(mat)
```

```
## int [1:200, 1:6] 1000 1845 6183 7578 2683 9969 654 2696 7344 3190 ...
```

```
str(df)
```

```
## 'data.frame':    500 obs. of  4 variables:
## $ a: int  179 940 309 963 339 862 970 65 432 139 ...
## $ b: num  5.19 6.85 5.73 6.87 5.83 ...
## $ c: num  13.4 30.7 17.6 31 18.4 ...
## $ e: chr  "0" "J" "J" "B" ...
```

```
str(sd)           # structure of sd() function
```

```
## function (x, na.rm = FALSE)
```

## 3.2 Factors

- Used to represent categorical data, for example:
  - Gender: Male, Female
  - Week Days: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
  - Status: Successful, Failed
- Use `factor()` function to create factor vectors of other data types

```
gender<-c("Male", "Female", "Male", "Male", "Female", "Female")
```

```
f<-factor(gender)
f
```

```
## [1] Male   Female Male   Male   Female Female
## Levels: Female Male
```

```
str(f)
```

```
## Factor w/ 2 levels "Female","Male": 2 1 2 2 1 1
```

```
table(f)
```

```
## f
## Female   Male
##      3      3
```

```
mode(f)
```

```
## [1] "numeric"
```

- Use `as.factor()` function to coerce other data types to factors

```
vec1<-sample(1:5, 10, replace=TRUE)
as.factor(vec1)
```

```
## [1] 2 1 4 3 4 4 4 2 2 5
## Levels: 1 2 3 4 5
```

```
vec2<-c("A", "B", "A", "C", "C", "A")  
as.factor(vec2)
```

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