

# PostgreSQL Explained for R-Users and R-Programmers

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# Chapter 1

## Prerequisites

For anyone interested in using this book you will need the following packages and tools to follow along.

- RPostgresql
- DBI
- Your own PostgreSQL database
- Remote access to your database

The **RPostgreSQL** and **DBI** package can be installed from CRAN or Github:

```
install.packages("RPostgreSQL")
install.packages("DBI")
devtools::install_git('https://github.com/r-dbi/DBI.git')
devtools::install_git('https://github.com/cran/RPostgreSQL.git')
```

Notes on using SQL syntax in RPostgreSQL

To successfully query data in PostgreSQL the following caveats may be necessary. This is especially the case if someone has created column names that are unique and odd in some form or fashion.

- use backslashes to escape the quotes “” that are necessary when querying data.
- use quotes “” around camel back title cases e.g. “**Medu**” or “**Fedu**”



## Chapter 2

# Example data to follow along with

You can also download the example datasets and place them in your own PostgreSQL database.

Detroit Dataset: 14 Columns with 13 Observations

This is the data set called DETROIT' in the book 'Subset selection in regression' by Alan J. Miller published in the Chapman & Hall series of monographs on Statistics & Applied Probability, no. 40. The data are unusual in that a subset of three predictors can be found which gives a very much better fit to the data than the subsets found from the Efroymson stepwise algorithm, or from forward selection or backward elimination. The original data were given in appendix A of 'Regression analysis and its application: A data-oriented approach' by Gunst & Mason, Statistics textbooks and monographs no. 24, Marcel Dekker. It has caused problems because some copies of the Gunst & Mason book do not contain all of the data, and because Miller does not say which variables he used as predictors and which is the dependent variable. (HOM was the dependent variable, and the predictors were FTP ... WE)

Source: <http://lib.stat.cmu.edu/datasets/detroit>

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Create Detroit Table in PostgreSQL

The necessary files to create the Detroit table in PostgreSQL can be found in the following link

Download Detroit data

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Student Performance Data Set: A data frame with 392 rows and 33 variables:

This data approach looks at student achievement in secondary education of two Portuguese schools. The data attributes include student grades, demographics, social and school related features and it was collected utilizing school reports and questionnaires. Two datasets are provided regarding the performance in two distinct subjects: Mathematics (mat) and Portuguese language (por). In [Cortez and Silva, 2008], the two datasets were modeled under binary/five-level classification and regression tasks. Important note: the target attribute G3 has a strong correlation with attributes G2 and G1. This occurs because G3 is the final year grade (issued at the 3rd period), While G1 and G2 correspond to the 1st and 2nd period grades. It is more difficult to predict G3 without G2 and G1, but such prediction is much more useful (see paper source for more details)

Source: <http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Student+Performance>

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Create Student Table in PostgreSQL

The necessary files to create the Student table in PostgreSQL can be found in the following link

Download Student data



## Chapter 3

# Introduction

This is a reference book on how to use PostgreSQL in Rstudio utilizing the DBI and RPostgresql packages.

Note: All queries are limited to ten rows to allow for easier reading and understanding.

After searching the internet for extensive books I was unable to find anything to my liking. Working with databases is key to get things done in R, Rstudio, Python, and R-Shiny. So I wanted to write my own book aimed at practical knowledge on how to do things and hopefully create a good work out of the hodgepodge of junk that is out there.

First things first. You will want to ensure that you have enabled remote access to your PostgreSQL database.

How to allow remote access to PostgreSQL database:

You will need to change some configurations in the postgresql.conf file on your server.

```
find \ -name "postgresql.conf"
```

```
sudo nano /var/lib/pgsql/PSQLVERSION/data/postgresql.conf
```

The you will want to change the following line `listen_addresses = 'localhost'` to `listen_addresses = '*':`

Search for it using CTRL + W

```
listen_addresses = 'localhost'
```

```
listen_addresses = '*'
```

Next restart your PostgreSQL database.

```
sudo systemctl postgresql restart
```

You should still receive an error as you also need to configure the `pg_hba.conf` file as well.

```
find \ -name "pg_hba.conf"
```

```
sudo nano /var/lib/pgsql/PSQLVERSION/data/pg_hba.conf
```

Now place the followin at the very end of the file.

```
host    all             all             0.0.0.0/0          md5
host    all             all             :::/0              md5
```

<https://blog.bigbinary.com/2016/01/23/configure-postgresql-to-allow-remote-connection.html>

Step 1: Install the necessary packages to check the connection.

```
library(RPostgreSQL)
library(DBI)
```

Step 2: We want to connect to our PostgreSQL database itself. I recommend utilizing Digital Ocean to host your own cloud base PostgreSQL instance. Here is a link to a tutorial on their website to build your own if you have not done so before. Digital Ocean PostgreSQL. In the below code chunk you will want to update the repsective values with the values from your database instance.

```
library(DBI)
library(RPostgreSQL)
DBI::dbDriver('PostgreSQL')
require(RPostgreSQL)
drv=dbDriver("PostgreSQL")
con=dbConnect(drv,dbname=dbname,host=dbhost,port=5432,user=dbuser,password=dbpassword)
```

- **db** name will be the database you are wanting to use.
  - **host** will be the host your database is on. Either your localhost or the url to your database.
  - **port** By default the port will be 5432 for postgresql.
  - **user** will be the username for the database you are connecting to
  - **password** will be the database password you use when connecting to postgresql
- Next we can list the tables that are available in our database

This is the DBI way to do it in Rstudio.

```
dbListTables(conn = con)
```

```
## [1] "teachers" "dodgers" "student" "detroit"
```

This is the SQL syntax way to do it. Here we can see the tablename,tableowner, and the tablespace along with other housekeeping items that may be of interest

to us.

```
SELECT * FROM pg_catalog.pg_tables;
```

Displaying records 1 - 10

schemaname

tablename

tableowner

tablespace

hasindexes

hasrules

hastriggers

rowsecurity

public

teachers

ben

NA

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

pg\_catalog

pg\_statistic

postgres

NA

TRUE

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

pg\_catalog

pg\_type

postgres

NA

TRUE

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

public

dodgers

ben

NA

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

public

student

ben

NA

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

pg\_catalog

pg\_policy

postgres

NA

TRUE

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

pg\_catalog

pg\_authid

```
postgres
pg__global
TRUE
FALSE
FALSE
FALSE
public
detroit
ben
NA
FALSE
FALSE
FALSE
FALSE
pg__catalog
pg__user__mapping
postgres
NA
TRUE
FALSE
FALSE
FALSE
pg__catalog
pg__subscription
postgres
pg__global
TRUE
FALSE
FALSE
FALSE
Select * FROM table;
```

Here we are querying the entire table and bringing back all of the values.

**Teachers Dataset**

```
SELECT * FROM teachers
```

6 records

id

first\_name

last\_name

school

hire\_date

salary

1

Janet

Smith

F.D. Roosevelt HS

2011-10-30

36200

2

Lee

Reynolds

F.D. Roosevelt HS

1993-05-22

65000

3

Samuel

Cole

Myers Middle School

2005-08-01

43500

4

Samantha

Bush  
Myers Middle School  
2011-10-30  
36200  
5  
Betty  
Diaz  
Myers Middle School  
2005-08-30  
43500  
6  
Kathleen  
Roush  
F.D. Roosevelt HS  
2010-10-22  
38500

**Detroit Dataset**

```
SELECT * FROM detroit
```

Displaying records 1 - 10

Year  
FTP  
UEMP  
MAN  
LIC  
GR  
CLEAR  
WM  
NMAN  
GOV  
HE

WE

HOM

ACC

ASR

1961

260.35

11.0

455.5

178.50

215.98

93.4

558724

538.1

133.9

2.98

117.18

8.60

39.17

306.18

1962

269.80

7.0

480.2

156.41

180.48

88.5

538584

547.6

137.6

3.09

134.02



8.90  
40.27  
315.16  
1963  
272.04  
5.2  
506.1  
198.02  
209.57  
94.4  
519171  
562.8  
143.6  
3.23  
141.68  
8.52  
45.31  
277.53  
1964  
272.96  
4.3  
535.8  
222.10  
231.67  
92.0  
500457  
591.0  
150.3  
3.33  
147.98  
8.89

49.51

234.07

1965

272.51

3.5

576.0

301.92

297.65

91.0

482418

626.1

164.3

3.46

159.85

13.07

55.05

230.84

1966

261.34

3.2

601.7

391.22

367.62

87.4

465029

659.8

179.5

3.60

157.19

14.57

53.90

217.99  
1967  
268.89  
4.1  
577.3  
665.56  
616.54  
88.3  
448267  
686.2  
187.5  
3.73  
155.29  
21.36  
50.62  
286.11  
1968  
295.99  
3.9  
596.9  
1131.21  
1029.75  
86.1  
432109  
699.6  
195.4  
2.91  
131.75  
28.03  
51.47  
291.59

1969

319.87

3.6

613.5

837.60

786.23

79.0

416533

729.9

210.3

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569.3

794.90

713.77

73.9

401518

757.8

223.8

4.47

178.30

37.39

45.80

323.03

**Student Dataset**

```
SELECT * FROM student
```

Displaying records 1 - 10

school

sex

age

address

famsize

Pstatus

Medu

Fedu

Mjob

Fjob

reason

guardian

traveltime

studytime

failures

schoolsup

famsup

paid

activities

nursery

higher

internet

romantic

famrel

freetime

goout

Dalc

Walc

health

absences

G1

G2

G3

GP

F

18

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GT3

A

4

4

at\_home

teacher

course

mother

2

2

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yes

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yes

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at\_home  
other  
course  
father  
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at\_home

other

other

mother

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services  
other  
reputation  
mother  
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other

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home

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4  
other  
teacher  
home  
mother

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yes

yes

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services

other

home  
mother  
1  
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no  
yes  
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2  
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GP  
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GT3  
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```
other
other
home
mother
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```

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```

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schemaname

tablename

tableowner

tablespace

hasindexes

hasrules

hastriggers

rowsecurity

public

teachers

ben

NA

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

pg\_catalog

pg\_statistic

postgres

NA

TRUE

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

pg\_catalog

pg\_type

postgres  
NA  
TRUE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
public  
dodgers  
ben  
NA  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
public  
student  
ben  
NA  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
pg\_catalog  
pg\_policy  
postgres  
NA  
TRUE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
pg\_catalog

pg\_authid  
postgres  
pg\_global  
TRUE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
public  
detroit  
ben  
NA  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
pg\_catalog  
pg\_user\_mapping  
postgres  
NA  
TRUE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
pg\_catalog  
pg\_subscription  
postgres  
pg\_global  
TRUE  
FALSE  
FALSE  
FALSE



## Chapter 4

# Select \* FROM table;

Here we are querying the entire table and bringing back all of the values.

```
## <PostgreSQLDriver>
```

```
SELECT * FROM teachers
```

6 records

id

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1

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159.85  
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```

Displaying records 1 - 10

school

sex

age

address

famsize

Pstatus

Medu

Fedu

Mjob

Fjob

reason

guardian

traveltime

studytime

failures

schoolsup

famsup

paid

activities

nursery

higher  
internet  
romantic  
famrel  
freetime  
goout  
Dalc  
Walc  
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GT3

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other

other

home

mother

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no

yes

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yes

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14





## Chapter 5

# General Queries

Here we will make a few queries to the database that are general in nature. General queries are ones where we want to select particular columns and also where we want to remove or delete items from the database.

### 5.1 Distinct Queries

Here we will use distinct to look at the distinct values in a particular column. This allows us to get a high-level overview of what our data looks like.

```
SELECT distinct school from teachers;
```

2 records

school

Myers Middle School

F.D. Roosevelt HS

```
select distinct school from student
```

2 records

school

MS

GP

Next we can order our data in a particular way as well.

Notice that there is something very peculiar about this SQL statement. If we write it out as a normal SQL statement it will not work.

```
RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con, statement = 'select Medu from student;')

## Error in postgresqlExecStatement(conn, statement, ...) :
##   RS-DBI driver: (could not Retrieve the result : ERROR:  column "medu" does not exist
## LINE 1: select Medu from student;
##           ^
## HINT:  Perhaps you meant to reference the column "student.Medu" or the column "stud
## )

## Warning in postgresqlQuickSQL(conn, statement, ...): Could not create
## execute: select Medu from student;

## NULL
```

Instead we are required to utilize quotes around the column names since it is Camelbacked: e.g. Medu vs. medu

```
RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con, statement = "select distinct \"Medu\" from student

##      Medu
## 1      0
## 2      1
## 3      3
## 4      2
## 5      4

RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con, statement = 'select "school","G3" from student order

##      school G3
## 1      GP 20
## 2      GP 19
## 3      GP 19
## 4      MS 19
## 5      GP 19
## 6      GP 19
## 7      GP 18
## 8      GP 18
## 9      GP 18
## 10     GP 18
```

## 5.2 WHERE Queries

Where Clause in SQL

Here we are select the schools and the G3 grade where G3 is greater than 15.

```
RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con, statement = "select \"school\", \"G3\" from student
```

```
##      school G3
## 1         GP 19
## 2         GP 16
## 3         GP 16
## 4         GP 17
## 5         GP 16
## 6         GP 18
## 7         GP 18
## 8         GP 20
## 9         GP 16
## 10        GP 16
```

Here we are select the schools and the G3 grade where G3 is equal to 4. Utilizing the operators >,<>= allows us to filter our data and retrieve the data we want to look at.

```
RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con,statement = 'select "school","G3" from student where "G3"=4;')
```

## 5.3 AND, OR, NOT Queries

SQL Queries with **And**, **OR**, **NOT**.

### AND

Here we only return one row where G3 = 4 and Medu = 4.

```
select * from student where "G3"=4 AND "Medu"=4;
```

1 records

school

sex

age

address

famsize

Pstatus

Medu

Fedu

Mjob

Fjob

reason

guardian

traveltime

studytime

failures

schoolsup

famsup

paid

activities

nursery

higher

internet

romantic

famrel

freetime

goout

Dalc

Walc

health

absences

G1

G2

G3

GP

F

17

U

GT3

T

4

3

other

other

reputation

mother

1

2

2

no

no

yes

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

3

4

5

2

4

1

22

6

6

4

school

sex

age

address

famsize

Pstatus

Medu

Fedu

Mjob

Fjob

reason

guardian

traveltime

studytime

failures

schoolsup

famsup

paid

activities

nursery

higher

internet

romantic

famrel

freetime

goout

Dalc

Walc

health

absences

G1

G2

G3

GP

F

17

U

GT3

T

```
4
3
other
other
reputation
mother
1
2
2
no
no
yes
no
yes
yes
yes
yes
yes
3
4
5
2
4
1
22
6
6
4
```

**OR**

Here we return 10 rows where  $G3 = 4$  or Mother's Education = 4. This helps us to filter and sort data when we want to find something in particular.

```
select * from student where "G3"=4 OR "Medu"=4 LIMIT 10;
```

Displaying records 1 - 10

school

sex

age

address

famsize

Pstatus

Medu

Fedu

Mjob

Fjob

reason

guardian

traveltime

studytime

failures

schoolsup

famsup

paid

activities

nursery

higher

internet

romantic

famrel

freetime

goout

Dalc

Walc



health

absences

G1

G2

G3

GP

F

18

U

GT3

A

4

4

at\_home

teacher

course

mother

2

2

0

yes

no

no

no

yes

yes

no

no

4

3

4

1

1

3

6

5

6

6

GP

F

15

U

GT3

T

4

2

health

services

home

mother

1

3

0

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

3

2

2

1

1

5

2

15

14

15

GP

M

16

U

LE3

T

4

3

services

other

reputation

mother

1

2

0

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

no

5

4

2

1

2

5

10

15

15

15

GP

F

17

U

GT3

A

4

4

other

teacher

home

mother

2

2

0

yes

yes

no

no

yes

yes  
no  
no  
4  
1  
4  
1  
1  
1  
6  
6  
5  
6  
GP  
F  
15  
U  
GT3  
T  
4  
4  
teacher  
health  
reputation  
mother  
1  
2  
0  
no  
yes  
yes

no

yes

yes

yes

no

3

3

3

1

2

2

0

10

8

9

GP

M

15

U

LE3

T

4

4

health

services

course

father

1

1

0

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

no

4

3

3

1

3

5

2

14

14

14

GP

M

15

U

GT3

T

4

3

teacher

other

course

mother

2

2

0

no

yes

yes

no

yes

yes

yes

no

5

4

3

1

2

3

2

10

10

11

GP

F

16

U

GT3

T

4

4

health

other

home

mother



1

1

0

no

yes

no

no

yes

yes

yes

no

4

4

4

1

2

2

4

14

14

14

GP

F

16

U

GT3

T

4

4

services

services

reputation

mother

1

3

0

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

no

3

2

3

1

2

2

6

13

14

14

GP

M

16

U

LE3

T

4

3

health  
other  
home  
father  
1  
1  
0  
no  
no  
yes  
yes  
yes  
yes  
yes  
no  
3  
1  
3  
1  
3  
5  
4  
8  
10  
10

```
RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con,statement = 'select * from student where "G3"=4 OR "Medu"=4 LI
```

##	school	sex	age	address	famsize	Pstatus	Medu	Fedu	Mjob	Fjob
## 1	GP	F	18	U	GT3	A	4	4	at_home	teacher
## 2	GP	F	15	U	GT3	T	4	2	health	services
## 3	GP	M	16	U	LE3	T	4	3	services	other
## 4	GP	F	17	U	GT3	A	4	4	other	teacher
## 5	GP	F	15	U	GT3	T	4	4	teacher	health

```

## 6      GP  M  15      U      LE3      T      4      4      health services
## 7      GP  M  15      U      GT3      T      4      3      teacher  other
## 8      GP  F  16      U      GT3      T      4      4      health  other
## 9      GP  F  16      U      GT3      T      4      4      services services
## 10     GP  M  16      U      LE3      T      4      3      health  other
##      reason guardian traveltime studytime failures schoolsup famsup paid
## 1      course  mother      2      2      0      yes      no      no
## 2      home   mother      1      3      0      no      yes      yes
## 3 reputation mother      1      2      0      no      yes      yes
## 4      home   mother      2      2      0      yes      yes      no
## 5 reputation mother      1      2      0      no      yes      yes
## 6      course  father      1      1      0      no      yes      yes
## 7      course  mother      2      2      0      no      yes      yes
## 8      home   mother      1      1      0      no      yes      no
## 9 reputation mother      1      3      0      no      yes      yes
## 10     home   father      1      1      0      no      no      yes
##      activities nursery higher internet romantic famrel freetime goout Dalc
## 1      no      yes      yes      no      no      4      3      4      1
## 2      yes     yes      yes      yes      yes      3      2      2      1
## 3      yes     yes      yes      yes      no      5      4      2      1
## 4      no      yes      yes      no      no      4      1      4      1
## 5      no      yes      yes      yes      no      3      3      3      1
## 6      yes     yes      yes      yes      no      4      3      3      1
## 7      no      yes      yes      yes      no      5      4      3      1
## 8      no      yes      yes      yes      no      4      4      4      1
## 9      yes     yes      yes      yes      no      3      2      3      1
## 10     yes     yes      yes      yes      no      3      1      3      1
##      Walc health absences G1 G2 G3
## 1      1      3      6  5  6  6
## 2      1      5      2 15 14 15
## 3      2      5      10 15 15 15
## 4      1      1      6  6  5  6
## 5      2      2      0 10  8  9
## 6      3      5      2 14 14 14
## 7      2      3      2 10 10 11
## 8      2      2      4 14 14 14
## 9      2      2      6 13 14 14
## 10     3      5      4  8 10 10

```

## NOT

Here we are looking at results where Fathers Education (Fedu) does not equal 4.

```
RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con,statement = 'select * from student WHERE NOT "Fedu" = 4')
```

```
select * from student WHERE NOT "Fedu"=4 LIMIT 10;
```

Displaying records 1 - 10

school

sex

age

address

famsize

Pstatus

Medu

Fedu

Mjob

Fjob

reason

guardian

traveltime

studytime

failures

schoolsup

famsup

paid

activities

nursery

higher

internet

romantic

famrel

freetime

goout

Dalc

Walc

health

absences

G1

G2

G3

GP

F

17

U

GT3

T

1

1

at\_home

other

course

father

1

2

0

no

yes

no

no

no

yes

yes

no

5

3

3

1

1

3

4

5

5

6

GP

F

15

U

LE3

T

1

1

at\_home

other

other

mother

1

2

3

yes

no

yes

no

yes

yes

yes

no

4

3

2

2

3

3

10

7

8

10

GP

F

15

U

GT3

T

4

2

health

services

home

mother

1

3

0

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes



yes

3

2

2

1

1

5

2

15

14

15

GP

F

16

U

GT3

T

3

3

other

other

home

father

1

2

0

no

yes

yes

no

yes

yes

no

no

4

3

2

1

2

5

4

6

10

10

GP

M

16

U

LE3

T

4

3

services

other

reputation

mother

1

2

0

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

no

5

4

2

1

2

5

10

15

15

15

GP

M

16

U

LE3

T

2

2

other

other

home

mother

1

2

0

no

no

no

no

yes

yes

yes

no

4

4

4

1

1

3

0

12

12

11

GP

M

15

U

LE3

A

3

2

services

other

home

mother

1

2

0

no

yes

yes

no

yes

yes

yes

no

4

2

2

1

1

1

0

16

18

19

GP

F

15

U

GT3

T

2

1

services

other

reputation

father

3

3

0

no

yes

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

no

5

2

2

1

1

4

4

10

12

12

GP

M

15

U

GT3

T

4

3

teacher

other

course

mother

2

2

0

no

yes

yes

no

yes

yes

yes

no

5

4

3

1

2

3

2

10

10

11

GP

M

15

U

GT3

A

2

2

other

other

home

other

1

3

0

no

yes

no

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

4

5

2

1

1

3

0

14

16

16

### Combining AND, OR, NOT

```
RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con,statement = 'select * from student where "G3">=10 OR
```

```
select * from student where "G3">=10 OR "Medu"=4 LIMIT 10;
```

Displaying records 1 - 10

school



sex

age

address

famsize

Pstatus

Medu

Fedu

Mjob

Fjob

reason

guardian

traveltime

studytime

failures

schoolsup

famsup

paid

activities

nursery

higher

internet

romantic

famrel

freetime

goout

Dalc

Walc

health

absences

G1

G2

G3

GP

F

18

U

GT3

A

4

4

at\_home

teacher

course

mother

2

2

0

yes

no

no

no

yes

yes

no

no

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GP

F

15

U

LE3

T

1

1

at\_home

other

other

mother

1

2

3

yes

no

yes

no

yes

yes

yes

no

4

3

2

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GT3

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4

2

health

services

home

mother

1

3

0

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

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2

2

1

1

5

2

15

14

15

GP

F

16

U

GT3

T

3

3

other

other

home

father

1

2

0

no

yes

yes

no

yes

yes

no

no

4

3

2

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2

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M

16

U

LE3

T

4

3

services

other

reputation

mother

1

2

0

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

no

5

4

2

1

2

5

10

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15

15

GP

M

16

U

LE3

T

2

2

other

other

home

mother

1

2

0

no

no

no

no

yes

yes

yes

no

4

4

4

1

1

3

0

12

12

11

GP

F

17

U

GT3

A

4

4

other

teacher

home

mother

2

2

0

yes

yes

no



no  
yes  
yes  
no  
no  
4  
1  
4  
1  
1  
1  
6  
6  
5  
6  
GP  
M  
15  
U  
LE3  
A  
3  
2  
services  
other  
home  
mother  
1  
2  
0  
no

yes

yes

no

yes

yes

yes

no

4

2

2

1

1

1

0

16

18

19

GP

M

15

U

GT3

T

3

4

other

other

home

mother

1

2

0

no

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

yes

no

5

5

1

1

1

5

0

14

15

15

GP

F

15

U

GT3

T

4

4

teacher

health

reputation

mother

1

2

0

no

yes

yes

no

yes

yes

yes

no

3

3

3

1

2

2

0

10

8

9

**The AND OR**

Here we tell SQL that we want all the G3 grades that are > 10 and also that the school should be GP OR Fedu should equal 4. The backslashes allow us to escape the single quotes that are necessary when using RPostgresql syntax.

```
RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con,statement = 'select * from student where "G3">=10 AND school=\'GP\' OR "Fedu"=4 LI
```

```
select "G3", school, "Fedu" from student where "G3">=10 AND school=\'GP\' OR "Fedu"=4 LI
```

Displaying records 1 - 10

G3

school

Fedu

6

GP

4

10

GP

1

15

GP

2

10

GP

3

15

GP

3

11

GP

2

6

GP

4

19

GP

2

15

GP

4

9

GP

4

**The double NOT or NOT NOT**

Here we tell SQL that we want to return all values where Fedu and Medu are not equal to 4.

```
RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con,statement = 'select * from student WHERE NOT "Medu"=4')
```

##	school	sex	age	address	famsize	Pstatus	Medu	Fedu	Mjob	Fjob
## 1	GP	F	18	U	GT3	A	4	4	at_home	teacher
## 2	GP	F	17	U	GT3	T	1	1	at_home	other
## 3	GP	F	15	U	LE3	T	1	1	at_home	other
## 4	GP	F	16	U	GT3	T	3	3	other	other
## 5	GP	M	16	U	LE3	T	2	2	other	other
## 6	GP	F	17	U	GT3	A	4	4	other	teacher
## 7	GP	M	15	U	LE3	A	3	2	services	other
## 8	GP	M	15	U	GT3	T	3	4	other	other
## 9	GP	F	15	U	GT3	T	4	4	teacher	health
## 10	GP	F	15	U	GT3	T	2	1	services	other

  

##	reason	guardian	traveltime	studytime	failures	schoolsup	famsup	paid
## 1	course	mother	2	2	0	yes	no	no
## 2	course	father	1	2	0	no	yes	no
## 3	other	mother	1	2	3	yes	no	yes
## 4	home	father	1	2	0	no	yes	yes
## 5	home	mother	1	2	0	no	no	no
## 6	home	mother	2	2	0	yes	yes	no
## 7	home	mother	1	2	0	no	yes	yes
## 8	home	mother	1	2	0	no	yes	yes
## 9	reputation	mother	1	2	0	no	yes	yes
## 10	reputation	father	3	3	0	no	yes	no

  

##	activities	nursery	higher	internet	romantic	famrel	freetime	goout	Dalc
## 1	no	yes	yes	no	no	4	3	4	1
## 2	no	no	yes	yes	no	5	3	3	1
## 3	no	yes	yes	yes	no	4	3	2	2
## 4	no	yes	yes	no	no	4	3	2	1
## 5	no	yes	yes	yes	no	4	4	4	1
## 6	no	yes	yes	no	no	4	1	4	1
## 7	no	yes	yes	yes	no	4	2	2	1
## 8	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	5	5	1	1
## 9	no	yes	yes	yes	no	3	3	3	1
## 10	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	5	2	2	1

  

##	Walc	health	absences	G1	G2	G3
## 1	1	3	6	5	6	6
## 2	1	3	4	5	5	6
## 3	3	3	10	7	8	10
## 4	2	5	4	6	10	10
## 5	1	3	0	12	12	11
## 6	1	1	6	6	5	6
## 7	1	1	0	16	18	19

```
## 8      1      5      0 14 15 15
## 9      2      2      0 10 8 9
## 10     1      4      4 10 12 12
```

## 5.4 Insert Queries

Insert into PostgreSQL using RPostgreSQL

- Inserting a single list of values into PostgreSQL.

Ok, now lets INSERT some data into our PostgreSQL database. We will want to develop a query string and send this to the database via `dbSendQuery()` from the RPostgreSQL package.

```
query <- ('INSERT INTO detroit VALUES (265, 14, 500.5, 200.5, 215.98, 93.457, 558724, 538.123, 133.96, 2.75)')
table<- RPostgreSQL::dbSendQuery(conn = con,statement = query)
```

Then when we call the new data we can see that we have updated the row (observations) to 14 and have added the data in our query.

```
RPostgreSQL::dbGetQuery(conn = con,statement = 'select * from detroit;')
```

##	Year	FTP	UEMP	MAN	LIC	GR	CLEAR	WM	NMAN	GOV
## 1	1961	260.35	11.0	455.5	178.50	215.980	93.4	558724	538.10	133.90
## 2	1962	269.80	7.0	480.2	156.41	180.480	88.5	538584	547.60	137.60
## 3	1963	272.04	5.2	506.1	198.02	209.570	94.4	519171	562.80	143.60
## 4	1964	272.96	4.3	535.8	222.10	231.670	92.0	500457	591.00	150.30
## 5	1965	272.51	3.5	576.0	301.92	297.650	91.0	482418	626.10	164.30
## 6	1966	261.34	3.2	601.7	391.22	367.620	87.4	465029	659.80	179.50
## 7	1967	268.89	4.1	577.3	665.56	616.540	88.3	448267	686.20	187.50
## 8	1968	295.99	3.9	596.9	1131.21	1029.750	86.1	432109	699.60	195.40
## 9	1969	319.87	3.6	613.5	837.60	786.230	79.0	416533	729.90	210.30
## 10	1970	341.43	7.1	569.3	794.90	713.770	73.9	401518	757.80	223.80
## 11	1971	356.59	8.4	548.8	817.74	750.430	63.4	387046	755.30	227.70
## 12	1972	376.69	7.7	563.4	583.17	1027.380	62.5	373095	787.00	230.90
## 13	1973	390.19	6.3	609.3	709.59	666.500	58.9	359647	819.80	230.20
## 14	265	14.00	500.5	200.5	215.98	93.457	558724.0	538	133.96	2.75
##	HE	WE	HOM	ACC	ASR					
## 1	2.980	117.180	8.60	39.17	306.18					
## 2	3.090	134.020	8.90	40.27	315.16					
## 3	3.230	141.680	8.52	45.31	277.53					
## 4	3.330	147.980	8.89	49.51	234.07					
## 5	3.460	159.850	13.07	55.05	230.84					
## 6	3.600	157.190	14.57	53.90	217.99					
## 7	3.730	155.290	21.36	50.62	286.11					

## 8	2.910	131.750	28.03	51.47	291.59
## 9	4.250	178.740	31.49	49.16	320.39
## 10	4.470	178.300	37.39	45.80	323.03
## 11	5.040	209.540	46.26	44.54	357.38
## 12	5.470	240.050	47.24	41.03	422.07
## 13	5.760	258.050	52.33	44.17	473.01
## 14	117.187	8.564	39.17	306.18	NA



## Chapter 6

# RPostgreSQL in Shiny Applications

Here we will show you how to use RPostgreSQL within your R-Shiny or Shiny application. This can be somewhat frustrating as you will need to take advantage of the `paste()` and `paste0()` base commands in R to send your text or numeric input data to the query itself.

```
paste(x = name ,sep = "-",collapse = "")  
  
paste0()
```

### 6.1 Insert Query from Shiny Application

For us to send a query to the PostgreSQL database we will need to paste the query together. We will begin by constructing the usual **INSERT INTO TABLENAME** and then insert the respective values into the query as well. We will need to utilize the `inputvalue1**replacingwhatever**inputname` we have for the value we want to insert into the database when the query is sent. We can simply paste this into a new variable called `qry` and assign it and pass this `qry` to the `dbSendQuery` function in our application. As the number of columns increase so will the number of values as well.

```
qry = paste0("INSERT INTO table (column1,column2)",  
             "VALUES ('",paste(input$value1,"'",",","'",input$value2,"'"))"  
  
dbSendQuery(conn = con, statement = qry)
```

**Note:** We have each value surrounded by the single back ticks ' and

also we have the values seperated by a comma as well.

## 6.2 Write Table Query from Shiny Application to the Database

Here you can take a dataframe and write it directly to the database using the **dbWriteTable** command. This allows us to write a dataframe directly to the table in question. You will need the dataframe column names to match the ones that are in the table in the database. The number of columns must match as well. You will not be able to write a dataframe with more columns than are in the table, but you will be able to write a dataframe that has less columns than are in the table in the database.

```
dbWriteTable(conn = con,name = 'table_name',value = table_value)
```

```
RPostgreSQL::postgresqlWriteTable(con = con,name = 'table_name',value = table_value,ov
```

```
RPostgreSQL::postgresqlWriteTable(con = con,name = 'table_name',value = table_value,app
```

Above we have 3 distinct ways to write the data to the table in the database. The last two allow us to either **overwrite** or **append** the data to the table. Depending on our application needs we will be able to do one or the other.