

# R basics



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# Useful functions

**sample(X, #sample, replace = FALSE, ...)**

- sample

- random-sampling with and without(default) replacement

```
set.seed(2018)
```

```
x <- 1:20
```

```
sample(x, 10)
```

```
## [1] 7 9 2 4 8 5 19 18 12 20
```

```
sample(x, 10, replace = TRUE)
```

```
## [1] 8 14 20 14 17 13 6 12 15 17
```

```
sample(x, 10, replace = FALSE)
```

```
## [1] 6 11 3 2 13 9 5 16 8 1
```

# Random Shuffling with `sample()`

```
# random shuffling
```

```
x <- 1:10
```

```
sample(x, length(x))
```

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

```
women_shuffle <- women[sample(1:nrow(women), nrow(women)), ]
```

```
head(women)
```

```
##   height weight
```

```
## 1     58    115
```

```
## 2     59    117
```

```
## 3     60    120
```

```
## 4     61    123
```

```
## 5     62    126
```

```
## 6     63    129
```

```
head(women_shuffle)
```

```
##   height weight
```

```
## 14     71    159
```

```
## 11     68    146
```

```
## 8      65    135
```

```
## 13     70    154
```

```
## 7      64    132
```

```
## 1      58    115
```

# Split

## `split(df, split_var, ...)`

- Split a data frame into a list of data frames with split variable

```
split(mtcars, mtcars$cyl)
```

```
## $`4`
##           mpg cyl  disp  hp drat   wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Datsun 710  22.8   4 108.0  93 3.85 2.320 18.61  1  1    4    1
## Merc 240D   24.4   4 146.7  62 3.69 3.190 20.00  1  0    4    2
## Merc 230    22.8   4 140.8  95 3.92 3.150 22.90  1  0    4    2
## ...
##
## $`6`
##           mpg cyl  disp  hp drat   wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Mazda RX4   21.0   6 160.0 110 3.90 2.620 16.46  0  1    4    4
## Mazda RX4 Wag 21.0   6 160.0 110 3.90 2.875 17.02  0  1    4    4
## ...
##
## $`8`
##           mpg cyl  disp  hp drat   wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Hornet Sportabout 18.7   8 360.0 175 3.15 3.440 17.02  0  0    3    2
## ...
```

# Split

**split(df, split\_var, ...)**

- Split a data frame into a list of data frames with split variable

```
split(mtcars, mtcars$mpg > 20)
```

```
## $`FALSE`
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
## Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
## Valiant	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1
## Duster 360	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4

```
...
```

```
##
```

```
## $`TRUE`
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
## Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
## Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
## Datsun 710	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1

```
...
```

# Subset

## `subset(df, condition, ...)`

- Find a subset of dataframe with a criteria

```
subset(mtcars, mpg > 25)
```

##	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
## Fiat 128	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1
## Honda Civic	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2
## Toyota Corolla	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1
## Fiat X1-9	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1
## Porsche 914-2	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	2
## Lotus Europa	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	2

equivalent to

```
mtcars[mtcars$mpg > 25, ]
```

##	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
## Fiat 128	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1
## Honda Civic	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2
## Toyota Corolla	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1
## Fiat X1-9	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1
## Porsche 914-2	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	2
## Lotus Europa	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	2

# Merge

## Merge(df1, df2, ...)

- join two data frames into one with common variables

```
x <- data.frame( name = c("John", "Bob", "Carol"),
                  math = c(70,80,90))
y <- data.frame( name = c("John", "Bob", "Alice"),
                  history = c(100,55,75))
```

x

```
##      name math
## 1  John   70
## 2   Bob   80
## 3 Carol   90
```

y

```
##      name history
## 1  John     100
## 2   Bob      55
## 3 Alice      75
```

`merge(x,y)`

```
##      name math history
## 1   Bob    80      55
## 2  John    70     100
```

`merge(x,y,all = T)`

```
##      name math history
## 1   Bob    80      55
## 2 Carol    90     NA
## 3  John    70     100
## 4 Alice   NA      75
```

# which

- Find positions of elements that satisfy the condition

```
x <- c(5,1,2,6,3,17,8,9, 12)
myindex <- which( x > 10)
myindex
## [1] 6 9
x[myindex]
## [1] 17 12
```



# which.max which.min

- Find positions of maximum and minimum elements

```
x
```

```
## [1] 5  1 2  6  3 17 8  9 12
```

```
which.max(x)
```

```
## [1] 6
```

```
which.min(x)
```

```
## [1] 2
```

```
x[which.max(x)]
```

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

```
x[which.min(x)]
```

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

# cut

- makes a range-group(factor) variable

```
mtcars$wt
```

```
## [1] 2.620 2.875 2.320 3.215 3.440 3.460 3.570 3.190 3.150 3.440 3.440
## [12] 4.070 3.730 3.780 5.250 5.424 5.345 2.200 1.615 1.835 2.465 3.520
## [23] 3.435 3.840 3.845 1.935 2.140 1.513 3.170 2.770 3.570 2.780
```

```
mtcars$wt_grp <- cut(mtcars$wt, breaks = c(0,2,4,6))
```

```
mtcars[, c('wt', 'wt_grp')]
```

##		wt	wt_grp
##	Mazda RX4	2.620	(2,4]
##	Mazda RX4 Wag	2.875	(2,4]
##	Datsun 710	2.320	(2,4]
##	Hornet 4 Drive	3.215	(2,4]
##	Hornet Sportabout	3.440	(2,4]
##	Valiant	3.460	(2,4]
##	Duster 360	3.570	(2,4]
##	Merc 240D	3.190	(2,4]
##	Merc 230	3.150	(2,4]
##	Merc 280	3.440	(2,4]
##	Merc 280C	3.440	(2,4]
##	Merc 450SE	4.070	(4,6]

# quantile

- to find out percentiles

```
quantile(iris$Sepal.Length)
```

```
Smallest      Median      Biggest
```

```
##    0%   25%   50%   75%  100%
```

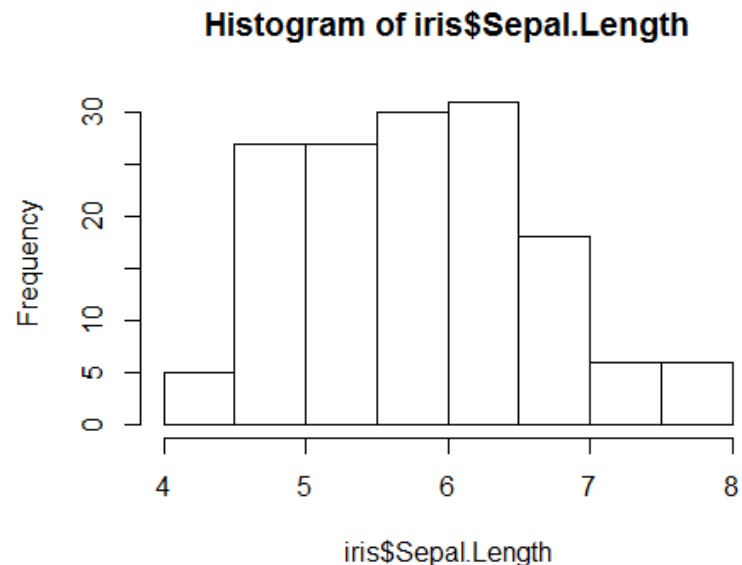
```
##  4.3   5.1   5.8   6.4   7.9
```

```
quantile(iris$Sepal.Length, probs = c(0.1,0.5,0.9))
```

```
## 10% 50% 90%
```

```
## 4.8 5.8 6.9
```

```
hist(iris$Sepal.Length)
```



# Combination of quantile and cut

```
cut_points <- quantile(mtcars$mpg,
c(0,0.25,0.75,1))
mtcars$fuel_efficiency <-
  cut(mtcars$mpg, breaks = cut_points,
include.lowest = T)
head(mtcars[, c('mpg', 'fuel_efficiency')],
10)
```

	mpg	fuel_efficiency
##		
## Mazda RX4	21.0	(15.4,22.8]
## Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	(15.4,22.8]
## Datsun 710	22.8	(15.4,22.8]
## Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	(15.4,22.8]
## Hornet Sportabout	18.7	(15.4,22.8]
## Valiant	18.1	(15.4,22.8]
## Duster 360	14.3	[10.4,15.4]
## Merc 240D	24.4	(22.8,33.9]
## Merc 230	22.8	(15.4,22.8]
## Merc 280	19.2	(15.4,22.8]

```
levels(mtcars$fuel_efficiency) <-
c('low25perc', 'normal', 'high25perc')
head(mtcars[, c('mpg', 'fuel_efficiency')], 10)
```

	mpg	fuel_efficiency
##		
## Mazda RX4	21.0	normal
## Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	normal
## Datsun 710	22.8	normal
## Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	normal
## Hornet Sportabout	18.7	normal
## Valiant	18.1	normal
## Duster 360	14.3	low25perc
## Merc 240D	24.4	high25perc
## Merc 230	22.8	normal
## Merc 280	19.2	normal

# quantile

- frequency table

```
table(mtcars$fuel_efficiency)
```

```
##
##  low25perc      normal high25perc
##           8          17          7
```

```
table(mtcars$cyl)
```

```
##
##  4  6  8
## 11  7 14
```

```
table(mtcars$fuel_efficiency,
mtcars$cyl)
```

```
##
##           4  6  8
##  low25perc  0  0  8
##   normal    4  7  6
##  high25perc  7  0  0
```

# paste and paste0

- to concatenate several values into one string
- to concatenate element by element from 2 or more vectors
- to smash vector elements into one string

```
paste("one", 1, "test")
```

```
## [1] "one 1 test"
```

```
x <- seq(2, 20, 2)
```

```
y <- LETTERS[1:10]
```

```
paste(x,y)
```

```
## [1] "2 A" "4 B" "6 C" "8 D" "10 E" "12 F" "14 G" "16 H" "18 I" "20 J"
```

```
paste(x,y, sep = ':')
```

```
## [1] "2:A" "4:B" "6:C" "8:D" "10:E" "12:F" "14:G"
```

```
## [8] "16:H" "18:I" "20:J"
```

# paste and paste0

- need to use 'sep' and 'collapse' option properly
- useful to generate column names and row names
- paste0 equals to paste(..., sep = "")

```
paste('var', x)
```

```
## [1] "var 2" "var 4" "var 6" "var 8" "var 10" "var 12" "var 14"
## [8] "var 16" "var 18" "var 20"
```

```
paste0('var', x)
```

```
## [1] "var2" "var4" "var6" "var8" "var10" "var12" "var14" "var16"
## [9] "var18" "var20"
```

```
paste('var', x, y, sep = '-')
```

```
## [1] "var-2-A" "var-4-B" "var-6-C" "var-8-D" "var-10-E" "var-12-F"
## [7] "var-14-G" "var-16-H" "var-18-I" "var-20-J"
```

```
paste(x)
```

```
## [1] "2" "4" "6" "8" "10" "12" "14" "16" "18" "20"
```

```
paste(x, collapse = ',')
```

```
## [1] "2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20"
```

```
paste(paste0(x,y), collapse = ',')
```

```
## [1] "2A,4B,6C,8D,10E,12F,14G,16H,18I,20J"
```

# References

- Practical Data Science with R, by Nina Zumel and John Mount