



# Programming and Statistics



# Install R

Goto [www.r-project.org](http://www.r-project.org)

Goto left panel and click on CRAN

Select (geographically) closest CRAN

Choose correct package for OS

Install

Also Available: Rstudio

A GUI for R

<https://www.rstudio.com>

# Motivation

Most powerful statistical tools are  
programming-oriented

Applicable to all fields: math, natural  
sciences, computer science, economics,  
public policy, linguistics, psychology,  
sports, business, etc.

**GREAT RESUME BOOSTER**

# Why Use R?

Open Source = available to everyone  
IT'S FREE!

Cool built-in features  
But still very customizable

Good stepping stone: easy to learn SAS,  
STATA, Python, and other scripting  
languages

# Goals

Introduce R data structures

Using Scripts

Use excel data in R

**Coding in R**

# Getting Started:

<type R into Terminal>

Set working directory

```
Sashas-MacBook-Pro:~ sashalefevre$ R  
> getwd()  
[1] "/Users/sashalefevre"  
> setwd("/Users/sashalefevre/Documents/Statistics/")
```



Path to your folder goes here

# R vs C++

## Variable Assignment

```
x <- 2
```

## Vectors, sequences

```
x <- c(1, 'a', TRUE)
```

## Matrices[row,col]

```
> A = matrix(c(1:6), nrow=2, ncol=3)
> A
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,]    1    3    5
[2,]    2    4    6
```

## Element Access

```
x[1]
```

```
> A[1,2]
[1] 3
```

```
> A[,3]
[1] 5 6
> A[1,]
[1] 1 3 5
```

Indices start at 1!

## Variable Assignment

```
int x = 2;
double y = 2.0;
char z = 'z';
std::string name = "Sasha";
```

## Arrays

```
int arr[5];
for(int i = 0; i < 5; ++i) {
    arr[i] = i;
}
```

## 2D arrays

```
int arr[2][3];
for(int i = 0; i < 2; ++i) {
    for(int j = 0; j < 3; ++j) {
        //...
    }
}
```

## Element Access

```
int m = arr[1];
```

Indices start at 0!

# Variable Assignment

R

Do not have to specify type  
Can overwrite values with  
other data types

```
> x <- 2  
> x <- TRUE  
> x <- 'a'  
> x <- "Go Blue!"
```

Can overwrite values with a  
data structure

```
> x <- c(1,2,3)
```

C++

Have to specify type

```
int x = 2;  
double y = 2.0;  
char z = 'z';  
std::string name = "Sasha";
```

Cannot reuse variables in  
same scope!

Cannot assign a data  
structure to something that  
has been declared as basic  
data type



# Class Problem #1

1. Declare a variable called 'a' and assign an integer to it
2. Declare a variable called 'b' and assign a boolean value to it
3. Declare a variable called 'c' and assign a character to it
4. Reassign 'a' to a string

# Class Problem #1: Solution

```
> a <- 5  
> b <- TRUE  
> c <- '*'  
> a <- "Learn to Hack"
```

# Vectors

R

Vectors can be numerical, character, string, or logical

```
> x <- c(1,4,5,6)
> y <- c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, TRUE)
> z <- c('h','a','c','k')
```

Can have different data types in one vector

Element Access:

```
x[1]
```

```
> x[c(1,3)]
[1] 1 5
```

Indices start at 1!

C++

Arrays can be numerical, character, string, or logical  
Can't have different data types in one array

```
int arr[5];
for(int i = 0; i < 5; ++i) {
    arr[i] = i;
}
```

Element Access

```
int m = arr[1];
```

Indices start at 0!

## Class Problem #2

1. Declare a vector of 7 elements
2. Access the first element
3. Access the last element
4. Access the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> elements
5. Access elements 1-4 (inclusive)
6. Declare a vector of mixed values -> what type are the elements converted to?

# Class Problem #2: Solution

```
> myvector <- c(56,23,45,78,92,14,5)
> myvector[1]
[1] 56
> myvector[7]
[1] 5
> myvector[c(3,5)]
[1] 45 92
> myvector[1:4]
[1] 56 23 45 78
```

If vector has different data types, all elements get converted to strings

```
> mixed <- c('a', '$', TRUE, 5, 32)
> mixed
[1] "a"      "$"      "TRUE"   "5"      "32"
```

# Matrices

R

```
mymatrix <- matrix(vector, nrow=r, ncol=c, byrow=FALSE,  
  dimnames=list(char_vector_rownames, char_vector_colnames))
```

Matrices can be numerical,  
character, string, or logical

All elements must have  
same type

```
> A = matrix(c(1:6), nrow=2, ncol=3)  
> A  
  [,1] [,2] [,3]  
[1,]  1  3  5  
[2,]  2  4  6
```

Element Access:

```
> A[1,2]  
[1] 3
```

```
> A[,3]  
[1] 5 6  
> A[1,]  
[1] 1 3 5
```

C++

2D Arrays can be numerical,  
character, string, or logical  
Can't have different data  
types in one array

```
int arr[2][3];  
for(int i = 0; i < 2; ++i) {  
  for(int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {  
    //...  
  }  
}
```

Element Access

```
int x = arr[1][1];
```

Indices start at 0!

# Class Problem #3

1. Declare one 2x3 matrix
2. Fill it with integers 1 through 6
3. Access element in row 1, column 1
4. Declare another 2x3 matrix
5. Fill it with a vector of characters
6. Access the entire 2<sup>nd</sup> column
7. Access the entire 2<sup>nd</sup> column

# Class Problem #3: Solution

```
> x <- matrix(1:6, nrow=2, ncol=3)
> x
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,]    1    3    5
[2,]    2    4    6
> x[1,1]
[1] 1
```

```
> char <- c('G','o','B','l','u','e')
> x <- matrix(char, nrow=2, ncol=3)
> x
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,] "G"  "B"  "u"
[2,] "o"  "l"  "e"
> x[,2]
[1] "B" "l"
> x[2,]
[1] "o" "l" "e"
```



# Data Frames

Data Frames are matrices, but columns can differ in data type

Make data frame by combining columns

Rename column/ row names with built-in functions  
colnames() and rownames()

```
> a <- c(21, 15, 30)
> b <- c('d', 'e', 'f')
> c <- c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE)
> mydata <- data.frame(a,b,c)
> mydata
  a b    c
1 21 d TRUE
2 15 e FALSE
3 30 f  TRUE
```

```
> colnames(mydata) <- c("x1", "x2", "x3")
> rownames(mydata) <- c("y1", "y2", "y3")
> mydata
  x1 x2    x3
y1 21  d  TRUE
y2 15  e FALSE
y3 30  f  TRUE
```

# Other Data Structures

Lists: structure that may contain objects of any other types

```
> mylist <- list (a = 1:5, b = "Hi There", c = function(x) x * sin(x))
```

Factors: vector of values corresponding to another vector of values (used for categorical variables)

# Built-In Functions

Use `help()` to get useful information about built-in functions (including parameters and examples of use)

Additional functions available through packages

```
> x <- c(2,5,6,7,3,2,3,4,5,6,54,67,32)
> mean(x)
[1] 15.07692
> median(x)
[1] 5
> sum(x)
[1] 196
> y <- c(4,5,6,34,6,7,23,65,8,5,4,6,7)
> plot(x, y)
```

# Function Syntax: If Statements

```
if (test_expression) {  
    statement  
}
```

```
> if(x == 1) {  
+ print("foo")  
+ }
```

```
if (test_expression) {  
    statement1  
} else {  
    statement2  
}
```

```
> if(x == 3) {  
+ print("foo")  
+ } else {  
+ print("bar")  
+ }
```

```
if ( test_expression1) {  
    statement1  
} else if ( test_expression2) {  
    statement2  
} else if ( test_expression3) {  
    statement3  
} else  
    statement4
```

```
> if(x == 3) {  
+ print("foo")  
+ } else if(x == 1) {  
+ print("bar")  
+ } else {  
+ print("foobar")  
+ }
```

# Class Problem #5

Create a vector of integer values

Create a conditional statement about the mean of these values: pick another value, and test to see if the mean is less than, greater than, or equal to that value.

Print an informative statement for each case

# Class Problem #5: Solution

```
> ints <- c(76, 34, 56, 23, 78)
> x <- 50
> y <- mean(ints)
> if(y > x) {
+ print("Mean is less than value")
+ } else if (y < x) {
+ print("Mean is greater than value")
+ } else {
+ print("Mean is equal to value")
+ }
[1] "Mean is less than value"
```

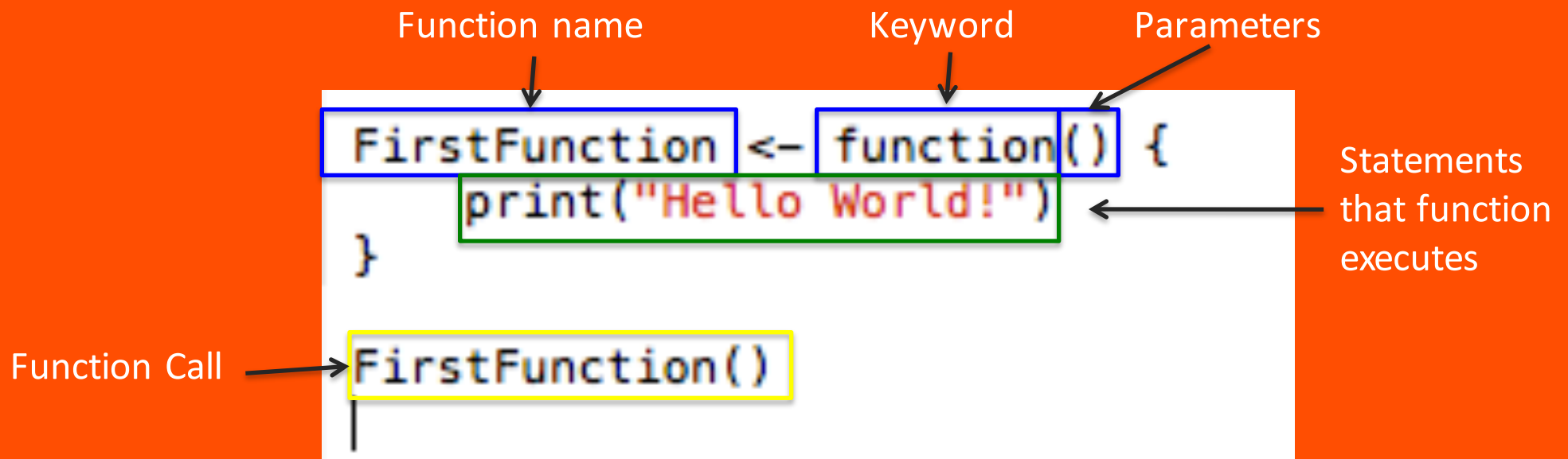
# Function Syntax: Loops

```
for(i in beginning:end) {  
    # statements  
}
```

```
while(condition) {  
    # statements  
}
```

# Create Own Function

```
functionname <- function(arg1, arg2, ... ){ # declare name of function and function arguments
  statements                               # declare statements
  return(object)                           # declare object data type
}
```





# Class Problem

Write a basic function that calculates the square root of  $x$

**Bonus:** Apply this function over a vector of integer values (HINT: look up built-in function `lapply()`)

# Class Problem: Solution

The sqrt() function:

```
> sqrt <- function(x) {  
+ z <- x^(1/2)  
+ return(z)  
+ }
```

Applied over a vector:

```
> y <- c(4,5,6,34,6,7,23,65,8,5,4,6,7)  
> lapply(y, sqrt)
```

# Scripts

Instead of typing into command line,  
create text files with commands and  
functions that you want

```
source("/Users/sashalefevre/Documents/Statistics/LearnToHack.R")
```

↑  
Function

↑  
Location of Script

↑  
Script name

```
source("/Users/sashalefevre/Documents/Statistics/LearnToHack.R")
```

# Organizing Your Data

Need to have data organized before reading into R

<image>

No blank cells -> put NA

First Row reserved for headers

Variable names should be unique. Do not begin name with number and don't use special symbols.

Each row should be single subject/ sample

**Save as a .txt or .csv**

Check out package Excel package for R: readxlsx

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1		Survived	Pclass	Name	Sex	Age	SibSp	Parch	Ticket	Fare	Cabin	Embarked
2												
3		0	3	Braund, Mr.	male	22	1	0	A/5 21171	7.25		S
4		1	1	Cumings, Mr	female	38	1	0	PC 17599	71.2833	C85	C
5		1	3	Heikkinen, M	female	26	0	0	STON/O2. 31	7.925		S
6		1	1	Futrelle, Mrs	female	35	1	0	113803	53.1	C123	S
7		0	3	Allen, Mr. W	male	35	0	0	373450	8.05		S
8		0	3	Moran, Mr. J	male		0	0	330877	8.4583		Q
9		0	1	McCarthy, M	male	54	0	0	17463	51.8625	E46	S
10		0	3	Palsson, Mas	male	2	3	1	349909	21.075		S
11		1	3	Johnson, Mr	female	27	0	2	347742	11.1333		S
12		1	2	Nasser, Mrs.	female	14	1	0	237736	30.0708		C
13		1	3	Sandstrom, M	female	4	1	1	PP 9549	16.7	G6	S
14		1	1	Bonnell, Mis	female	58	0	0	113783	26.55	C103	S
15		0	3	Saunderscock	male	20	0	0	A/5. 2151	8.05		S
16		0	3	Andersson, M	male	39	1	5	347082	31.275		S
17		0	3	Vestrom, Mi	female	14	0	0	350406	7.8542		S
18		1	2	Hewlett, Mrs	female	55	0	0	248706	16		S
19		0	3	Rice, Master	male	2	4	1	382652	29.125		Q
20		1	2	Williams, Mr	male		0	0	244373	13		S
21		0	3	Vander Plan	female	31	1	0	345763	18		S
22		1	3	Masselmani,	female		0	0	2649	7.225		C
23		0	2	Fynney, Mr.	male	35	0	0	239865	26		S
24		1	2	Beesley, Mr.	male	34	0	0	248698	13	D56	S
25		1	3	McGowan, M	female	15	0	0	330923	8.0292		Q
26		1	1	Sloper, Mr. V	male	28	0	0	113788	35.5	A6	S
27		0	3	Palsson, Mis	female	8	3	1	349909	21.075		S
28		1	3	Asplund, Mrs	female	38	1	5	347077	31.3875		S
29		0	3	Emir, Mr. Far	male		0	0	2631	7.225		C
30		0	1	Fortune, Mr.	male	19	3	2	19950	263	C23 C25 C27	S
31		1	3	O'Dwyer, Mi	female		0	0	330959	7.8792		Q
32		0	3	Todoroff, Mr	male		0	0	349216	7.8958		S

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1		Survived	Pclass	Name	Sex	Age	SibSp	Parch	Ticket	Fare	Cabin	Embarked
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5		1	3	Heikkinen, M	female	26	0	0	STON/O2. 31	7.925		S
6		1	1	Futrelle, Mrs	female	35	1	0	113803	53.1	C123	S
7		0	3	Allen, Mr. W	male	35	0	0	373450	8.05		S
8		0	3	Moran, Mr. J	male		0	0	330877	8.4583		Q
9		0	1	McCarthy, M	male	54	0	0	17463	51.8625	E46	S
10		0	3	Palsson, Mas	male	2	3	1	349909	21.075		S
11		1	3	Johnson, Mr	female	27	0	2	347742	11.1333		S
12		1	2	Nasser, Mrs.	female	14	1	0	237736	30.0708		C
13		1	3	Sandstrom, M	female	4	1	1	PP 9549	16.7	G6	S
14		1	1	Bonnell, Miss	female	58	0	0	113783	26.55	C103	S
15		0	3	Saunderscock	male	20	0	0	A/5. 2151	8.05		S
16		0	3	Andersson, M	male	39	1	5	347082	31.275		S
17		0	3	Vestrom, Miss	female	14	0	0	350406	7.8542		S
18		1	2	Hewlett, Mrs	female	55	0	0	248706	16		S
19		0	3	Rice, Master	male	2	4	1	382652	29.125		Q
20		1	2	Williams, Mr	male		0	0	244373	13		S
21		0	3	Vander Plank	female	31	1	0	345763	18		S
22		1	3	Masselmani,	female		0	0	2649	7.225		C
23		0	2	Fynney, Mr.	male	35	0	0	239865	26		S
24		1	2	Beesley, Mr.	male	34	0	0	248698	13	D56	S
25		1	3	McGowan, M	female	15	0	0	330923	8.0292		Q
26		1	1	Sloper, Mr. V	male	28	0	0	113788	35.5	A6	S
27		0	3	Palsson, Miss	female	8	3	1	349909	21.075		S
28		1	3	Asplund, Mrs	female	38	1	5	347077	31.3875		S
29		0	3	Emir, Mr. Far	male		0	0	2631	7.225		C
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31		1	3	O'Dwyer, Miss	female		0	0	330959	7.8792		Q
32		0	3	Todoroff, Mr	male		0	0	349216	7.8958		S

Variables have no numbers, spaces, or characters

No blank cells -> write "NA"

Every row is a separate object/ sample!

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
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3	2	1	1	Cumings, Mrs. John Bra	female	38	PC 17599	71.2833	C85	C
4	3	1	3	Heikkinen, Miss. Laina	female	26	STON/O2. 31	7.925	NA	S
5	4	1	1	Futrelle, Mrs. Jacques H	female	35	113803	53.1	C123	S
6	5	0	3	Allen, Mr. William Henr	male	35	373450	8.05	NA	S
7	6	0	3	Moran, Mr. James	male	NA	330877	8.4583	NA	Q
8	7	0	1	McCarthy, Mr. Timothy	male	54	17463	51.8625	E46	S
9	8	0	3	Palsson, Master. Gosta	male	2	349909	21.075	NA	S
10	9	1	3	Johnson, Mrs. Oscar W	female	27	347742	11.1333	NA	S
11	10	1	2	Nasser, Mrs. Nicholas (	female	14	237736	30.0708	NA	C
12	11	1	3	Sandstrom, Miss. Marg	female	4	PP 9549	16.7	G6	S
13	12	1	1	Bonnell, Miss. Elizabeth	female	58	113783	26.55	C103	S
14	13	0	3	Saunderscock, Mr. Willia	male	20	A/5. 2151	8.05	NA	S
15	14	0	3	Andersson, Mr. Anders	male	39	347082	31.275	NA	S
16	15	0	3	Vestrom, Miss. Hulda A	female	14	350406	7.8542	NA	S
17	16	1	2	Hewlett, Mrs. (Mary D	female	55	248706	16	NA	S
18	17	0	3	Rice, Master. Eugene	male	2	382652	29.125	NA	Q
19	18	1	2	Williams, Mr. Charles E	male	NA	244373	13	NA	S
20	19	0	3	Vander Planke, Mrs. Jul	female	31	345763	18	NA	S
21	20	1	3	Masselmani, Mrs. Fatin	female	NA	2649	7.225	NA	C
22	21	0	2	Fynney, Mr. Joseph J	male	35	239865	26	NA	S
23	22	1	2	Beesley, Mr. Lawrence	male	34	248698	13	D56	S
24	23	1	3	McGowan, Miss. Anna	female	15	330923	8.0292	NA	Q
25	24	1	1	Sloper, Mr. William Tho	male	28	113788	35.5	A6	S
26	25	0	3	Palsson, Miss. Torborg	female	8	349909	21.075	NA	S
27	26	1	3	Asplund, Mrs. Carl Osca	female	38	347077	31.3875	NA	S
28	27	0	3	Emir, Mr. Farred Cheha	male	NA	2631	7.225	NA	C
29	28	0	1	Fortune, Mr. Charles Al	male	19	19950	263	C23 C25 C27	S
30	29	1	3	O'Dwyer, Miss. Ellen "N	female	NA	330959	7.8792	NA	Q
31	30	0	3	Todoroff, Mr. Lalio	male	NA	349216	7.8958	NA	S
32	31	0	1	Uruchurtu, Don. Manue	male	40	PC 17601	27.7208	NA	C
33	32	1	1	Spencer, Mrs. William A	female	NA	PC 17569	146.5208	B78	C
34	33	1	3	Gunn, Miss. Mary Agat	female	NA	335677	7.75	NA	Q

# Read In File

```
read.csv(file, header = TRUE, sep = ",", quote = "\"",  
         dec = ".", fill = TRUE, comment.char = "", ...)
```

```
read.table(file, header = FALSE, sep = "", quote = "\"",  
          dec = ".", numerals = c("allow.loss", "warn.loss", "no.loss"),  
          row.names, col.names, as.is = !stringsAsFactors,  
          na.strings = "NA", colClasses = NA, nrows = -1,  
          skip = 0, check.names = TRUE, fill = !blank.lines.skip,  
          strip.white = FALSE, blank.lines.skip = TRUE,  
          comment.char = "#",  
          allowEscapes = FALSE, flush = FALSE,  
          stringsAsFactors = default.stringsAsFactors(),  
          fileEncoding = "", encoding = "unknown", text, skipNul = FALSE)
```

Assign data to variable!



All scripts and examples can be  
found at [github](#)

Questions?

# Additional Resources

**R manuals:** <https://cran.r-project.org/manuals.html>

**Helpful packages:** <https://cran.r-project.org/web/views/>

**Statistics overview:**  
<http://www.biostathandbook.com>