MAD – Data Analysis & Biostatistics in R Getting to Work

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Administrative Notes

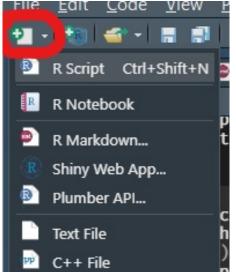
- Piazza is a bust. Not going to use it
 - Questions through all the traditional means
- \bullet Chapter 9 has had a major revision. If you downloaded before 5/9
 - Need a new download

Section 1

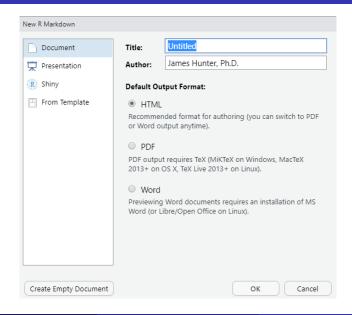
Submitting Homework and Other Documents

New R Markdown Document

• Go to upper left corner of screen (under File menu item)



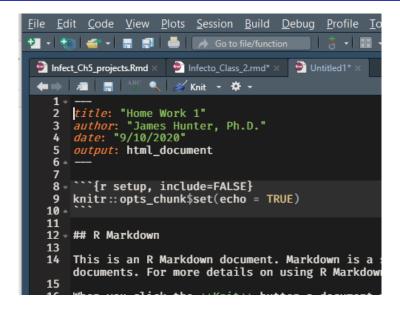
Click on "R Markdown..."



Next Step

- Click on "Document" in left column
- Fill in title: "HomeWork 1"
- Fill in Author: your name
- Select HTML or PDF
 - PDF only if you know you have LaTeX installed on machine
- Click OK button

Here is your RMD Document



Working with .rmd Document

- Select and Erase all content from ## R Markdown down to end
- Copy question 1 from homework sheet to 2 lines after the end of block
- To show solution of question 1, open code block
 - Can type CTRL-ALT-I
 - Can type format characters (see delimiters of block below)

```
```{r setup, include=FALSE}
knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = TRUE)
library(tidyverse)
```

# Ready to Answer Questions

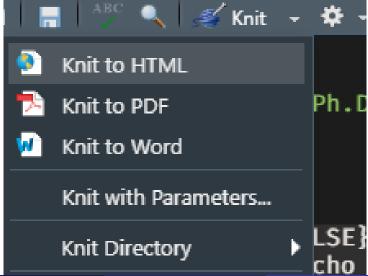
- Write code for your answer
  - To test your code, CTRL-Enter each line
    - ★ Or hit green arrow at top right of code block
- Go on to next question through to end
- Save the file (often)

#### Section 2

Transforming your .rmd to HTML

# Transforming your .rmd to HTML

Click on Knit above document



- Click on Knit to HTML
- If no major programming errors, it will do the calculations and give a result in web browser form

#### Raw .rmd File

```
title: "Home Work 1"
 author: "James Hunter, Ph.D."
 4 date: "9/10/2020"
5
6
 output: html_document
 8 ~ ```{r setup, include=FALSE}
 knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = TRUE)
10 -
11
12 - ## Question 1
13
14 · ```{r q1}
15
16 res \leftarrow ((log10(67000) * 92) + 36) / sqrt(759)
17
 res
18
 round(res, 1)
19
20 -
 [1] 17.42286
 [1] 17.4
21
22
```

### HTML Version

#### Home Work 1

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#### Question 1

```
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res

[1] 17.42286

round(res, 1)

[1] 17.4
```

### Section 3

## Homework from Week One

## Question 1 - R as Calculator and PEMDAS

• Evaluate this expression in R; round to 1 decimal place

$$\frac{\log_{10}(67000)*92+36}{\sqrt{759}}$$

```
res <- ((log10(67000) * 92) + 36) / sqrt(759)
res

[1] 17.42286
round(res, 1)
```

## [1] 17.4

## Question 2 – Indexing a Vector

Vector of 20 random numbers created with

```
set.seed(42) # so everyone produces the same answer
x <- round(rnorm(20, mean = 100, sd = 10), 2) # returns
x</pre>
```

```
[1] 113.71 94.35 103.63 106.33 104.04 98.94 115.12
[11] 113.05 122.87 86.11 97.21 98.67 106.36 97.16
```

- What is the 2nd element of x?
  - x[2] = 94.35
- What is the class and type of x?
  - class(x) = numeric
  - typeof(x) = double
- What is the maximum value of x?
  - $\max(x) = 122.87$

## Question 3 - Information about Data Frame

- Based on data frame "einstein\_soro.rds"
  - ▶ Binary stored form of data about COVID-19 sorological tests performed at Albert Einstein Hospital
  - From FAPESP Data Consortium files

200 obs. of 10 variables:

1st Step – Load Data Frame

'data.frame':

```
soro <- readRDS("C:/Users/james/OneDrive/Documents/MAD/MAD-Infecto-2020/einstein_so
str(soro)</pre>
```

```
##
 $ pacid
 : chr "b6d668e4f818f7b3643ed593b8fb902bf9d2501e" "a090625661c06e9c
 $ dt_collect: chr "28/05/2020" "11/05/2020" "16/06/2020" "10/06/2020" ...
##
 $ analysis : chr "IgM, COVID19" "IgG, COVID19" "IgG, COVID19" "COVID IgM Inte
##
$ result
 : chr "0.74" "0.03" "0.02" "Não reagente" ...
$ unit.
 : chr "AU/ml" "AU/ml" "AU/ml" "NULL" ...
##
 $ reference : chr "<=0.90" "<=0.90" "<=0.90" "...
##
 $ sex : Factor w/ 2 levels "female", "male": 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 2 1 2 ...
$ birth_yr : num 1989 1975 1997 2006 1983 ...
##
 $ uf
 : Factor w/ 25 levels "AC", "AL", "AM", ...: 24 9 24 24 24 24 24 24 24
 : Factor w/ 21 levels "BARUERI", "CAMPINAS", ...: 19 NA 19 19 19 19 19
##
 $ city
```

## Questions about soro

- How many cases are in this data base?
  - ▶ First line of str() tells you: 200 obs. of 10 variables
  - ► Can also calculate as nrow(soro) = 200
- How many variables are in this data base?
  - First line of str()
  - Can also calculate as length(soro) = 10
- What is the class and type of soro?
  - class(soro) = data.frame
  - typeof(soro) = list
- What is the date of collection (dt\_collect) of the 3rd case?
  - soro\$dt\_collect[3] = 16/06/2020

## soro Questions e and f

Print the 5th to the 10th birth years (birth\_yr).

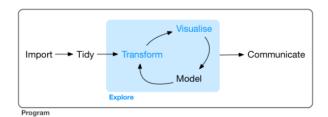
```
soro$birth_yr[5:10]
```

```
[1] 1983 1963 1988 1971 1968 1976
```

- How many different cities are represented in this sample?
  - ▶ levels(soro\$city) = 21

## Section 4

# Data Analysis Projects



# Project Workflow

 Tidyverse diagram shows principal steps in organizing computational tasks

#### However

- Much planning necessary before we even start with Import
- Right at start of project

# Initial Issues in Project Planning – Biological/Medical

- What is my research topic? What is the large-scale question?
- What has science said on this topic previously?
  - Literature search
  - What sources to use (PubMed, Google Scholar, etc.)?
  - When will I have read enough?

# Initial Issues in Project Planning – Technique

- What is the type of study I will conduct?
  - Experimental
  - Observational
  - Case-Control
  - Other type?
- What is my research hypothesis?
- What experiments/field work/data gathering support that?
- What will be my primary analytic technique?
  - What have others done?
    - ★ Were they effective?
    - Produce interesting results?

# Data for My Project

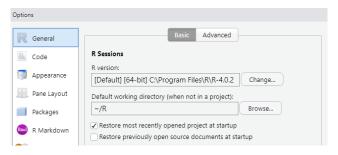
- What data do I need?
  - Categorical variables
  - Result variables
    - **★** Numeric
    - ⋆ Other Data Types
- How much data do I need?
  - Number of cases (n)
  - Statistical power to achieve significance

### Section 5

# Projects in RStudio

#### **Active Directories**

- When you start RStudio
  - Uses the default directory from your "Tools/Global Options" setting



• If you want a different directory for an analysis, need to use setwd() to direct R there

## setwd() and getwd()

- To set a new working directory, need to use command setwd()
  - ▶ With full path name in quotes as argument
- Example for my thesis research in HIVAIDS
  - setwd(C:/Users/james/OneDrive/Documents/HIVAIDS/Drug\_
- Complementary function getwd()
  - No argument
  - Shows what is current active directory
- ## [1] "C:/Users/james/OneDrive/Documents/MAD/MAD-Infecto

# Why Do We Need *Projects*?

- You will work on different projects that have
  - Different databases
  - Different scripts
  - Different documents
- Throwing all your files from all projects in 1 R directory will make you crazy
  - Many projects could have upwards of 500 files
- Planning project workflow implies organization
- Build an R data analysis project around a reserved workspace

# RStudio Projects Allow Group Members to Work Together Better

- Everyone has a different directory structure on their machines
  - I have projects in my R directory
  - All my HIV projects are in my HIVAIDS directory
  - All the versions of this course are in my MAD directory
- What is your directory structure?
- Projects create their own working directory (active directory)
  - Same for everyone who uses the same project structure and file
  - No more constantly having to type km-long file paths
    - ★ And getting them wrong

If the first line of any of your R scripts is

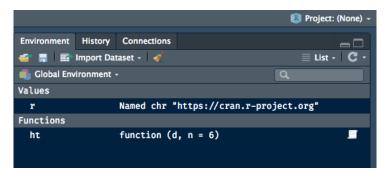
setwd("C:\Users\jenny\path\that\only\I\have")
Someone from the Tidyverse team will come to your office
and set your computer on fire

They have promised

The best way to avoid such a consequence is create a new RStudio project for each new activity

# How to Create a RStudio Project

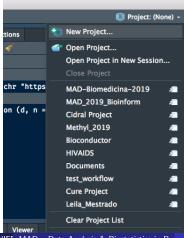
- Find "Project:(None)" text
  - ▶ Top right of screen above Environment, etc. tab



So far, no active project

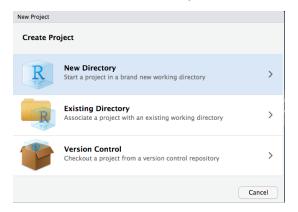
## Create New Project

- Click on arrow to right of "(None)"
- Drop down menu will open
- Click "New Project ..." option



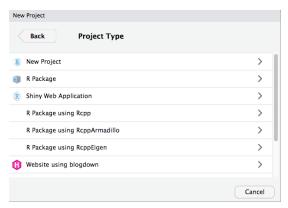
## Create Project Window

- Options to choose a new or existing directory
- Version Control option more advanced
- For this case, choose "New Directory"



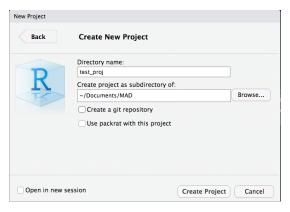
# Types of New Projects

- RStudio has many types of new projects
- We want just a "New Project": click on that

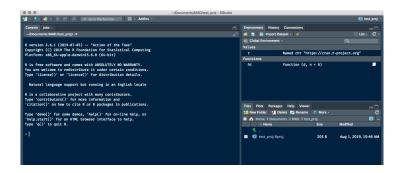


#### Final Creation Screen

- Give the project a name and a location
- Click Create Project button
- For now, ignore git and packrat boxes



### Here Is Your Project



#### Subdirectories

- Projects can become large, VERY LARGE
  - Thesis project: 1,978 files, 383 sub-directories, 425 MB
- Sub-directories for files of different types.
  - Like setting up a project
  - Helps keep files organized
- My preferred subdirectory structure for a new project
  - Data
  - Raw Data
  - Docs
  - Graphics
  - Programs/Scripts
  - Slides
- Keep raw data separate from any other data files
  - Cleaned, subsets, etc.
  - ▶ You may need it again!

### Section 6

We're HERE!

#### **Problem**

- Various projects and various directories could have very different paths
- Path to test\_proj on my old Mac Air:
  - "/Users/jameshunter/Documents/MAD/test\_proj"
- Path to test\_proj on my current Windows laptop:
  - "C:/Users/james/OneDrive/Documents/MAD/test\_proj"
- If I wanted to use my path to go to a graphics subdirectory that both had
  - It would be a mess!

### Solution: here::here()

- here package does one thing
  - Lets you know what is full path to working directory
- Simple form: no arguments

here::here()

## [1] "C:/Users/james/OneDrive/Documents/MAD/MAD-Infecto-2020"

# Go to graphics Subdirectory of Current Project

- Give the function the argument "graphics"
- Thereafter, can use variable gr to refer to full path of location

```
gr <- here::here("graphics")
gr</pre>
```

- ## [1] "C:/Users/james/OneDrive/Documents/MAD/MAD-Infecto-2020/graphics"
  - Note new package::function notation
    - 2 colons call a function directly from a package without having to load package

### Section 7

# Scripts and Programming

# Why Scripts? - A Review

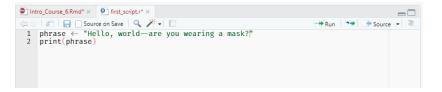
- Combine commands into coherent whole
- Store your commands
  - Reuse or recall at later date
- Facilitate correction of error and re-running program
- Scripts can be either
  - Separate documents (.r files)
  - Blocks of code in a larger .rmd document
    - ★ Like this one

# Basic Scripts

- Open new script document (.r) with
  - CTRL-Shift-N
  - Plus icon in upper left of screen
- Editor is a basic text editor
- Example
  - Assign sentence: "Hello, world—wear a mask!" to the variable phrase
  - Print phrase to the screen

# Program Text

```
phrase <- "Hello, world--wear a mask!"
print(phrase)</pre>
```



• Execute program with Run or Source buttons

### Section 8

# Loops

#### General

- Way to execute series of commands repeatedly
- Executes until encounters condition that ends it
- 2 Flavors
  - for loops
  - ▶ while loops

## for Loops

Format

```
for(var in vector) {
 code
 code
 code
}
```

- for starts loop
- Number of repetitions of loop inside the parentheses
  - ► Repetitions:
    - ★ var variable name
    - ★ vector values variable can assume
- {} pair of curly braces
- Inside braces: lines of code you want to execute

## Example for Loop

- Square whole numbers from 5 to 10
- Denote variable as i
- Vector

## [1] 100

```
► c(5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10)
```

**▶** 5:10

```
for(i in 5:10){
 print(i^2)
}

[1] 25
[1] 36
[1] 49
[1] 64
[1] 81
```

# What the Loop Did

- 1st Iteration
  - Assigned 5 to i
  - ▶ Squared i (i^2)
  - ▶ Wrote i to screen (25)
- 2nd Iteration
  - Assigned 6 to i
  - Squared i
  - Wrote i to screen (36)
- Same for 3rd to 6th
- At end of 6th iteration (i <- 10)</li>
  - Could not find a new value to give to i
  - Stopped

# More Realistic Example

- Take a DNA string and transform it to a vector of letters
- Length of the string unknown
- Can be calculated with nchar() function: gives number of characters

```
library(tidyverse)
seq <- "CCTCAAATCACTCTTTGGCAACGACCCTTAGTCACAATAAAAGTAGGGGA"
seq_length <- nchar(seq)
seq_vector <- character(seq_length) # create vector to hold result
for (i in 1:nchar(seq)) {
 seq_vector[i] <- tolower(str_sub(seq, i, i))
}
seq_vector</pre>
```

```
[1] "c" "c" "t" "c" "a" "a" "a" "t" "c" "a" "c" "t" "t" "t" "t" "t" "g" "g" "c" "## [20] "a" "a" "c" "g" "a" "c" "c" "c" "t" "t" "t" "a" "g" "t" "c" "a" "c" "a" "a" "a" "a" "a" "a" "g" "t" "a" "g" "g" "g" "g" "g" "a"
```

## while Loops

- Similar structure to for loops but work differently
- Keeps repeating until condition you put in while statement turns FALSE
- Consult text
- Used much less than for

# Loops vs. Vectorized Statements

- R is vectorized
  - Interpreter will act on all elements of a vector at once
  - Don't need to loop item by item
- Should we use loops at all?
- Computer speed today reduces the speed advantage of vectorized statements
  - Except for VERY large datasets, loops are practically equivalent
  - Millions of cases, hundreds of variables
- Don't give up on loops
  - ▶ Logic is usually easier to program than many vectorized functions
  - Can save much overall time in terms of programming

#### Section 9

Conditional Statements (if. . . then. . . else)

## Thought Problem

- We are reading sequences of nucleotides
  - DNA alphabet: ACGT
  - RNA alphabet: ACGU
- We could say
  - If the sequence is DNA then the alphabet is ACGT.
- More complete version
  - ▶ If the sequence is DNA then the alphabet is ACGT else the alphabet is ACGU.

### If Statements in R

Basic structure

```
if(condition) {
 code
 code
 code
} else {
 code
 code
 code
 code
}
```

# Simple Example: No else Clause

```
x <- 0
if (x == 0) {
 print("x equals 0")
}
[1] "x equals 0"</pre>
```

## More Complete Logical Test

```
x <- 0

if (x == 6) {
 print("x equals 6")
} else {
 print("x does not equal 6")
}</pre>
```

## [1] "x does not equal 6"

## 3 Nested Conditions – DNA/RNA Example

```
seq type <- "DNA"
if (seq_type == "DNA") {
 print("ACGT")
} else {
 if (seq type == "RNA"){
 print("ACGU")
 } else {
 print("sequence neither DNA nor RNA")
```

## [1] "ACGT"

### ifelse() Function

- For simple logical tests
- ifelse(test, true, false)
- 3 Arguments
  - test: logical test
  - true: result if TRUE
  - false: result if FALSE
- If result of test is TRUE, returns true value
- If result of test is FALSE, returns false value

### ifelse() Example

```
X <- 2
res <- ifelse(X > 10, "greater than", "less than or equal
paste("X is", res, "10")
```

## [1] "X is less than or equal to 10"

## More Complicated if...then...else Logic

- Function in dplyr package: case when()
- Can more comfortably handle large number of alternative cases
- More advanced

#### Section 10

# Importing Files to R

# Types We Will Work With

- Comma-Delimited Files (.csv)
- Excel Files (.xls or .xlsx)
- FASTA files

#### Section 11

Comma-Delimited Files (.csv)

# Importing a .csv File

- A plain text file that is in rectangular form
- Commas separating the fields
- Interpretable by Excel
- Most common file type you will import
- Use readr::read\_csv() to import it
  - Function reads file
  - Treats commas as Excel does: separators between columns
  - Imports it to a tibble

```
1 df ← readr::read_csv(file, col_names = TRUE, col_types = NULL, na = c("", "NA"), skip = 0)
```

# read\_csv() Arguments

- file = file path to reach the file
  - Use of here::here()
- col\_names = Is the first row the names of the columns or data?
  - ► TRUE means 1st row are the column names; read\_csv() assumes so
  - FALSE means it has data rather than names

## col\_types = Argument

- read\_csv() will try to guess the correct data type based on the column content
- If you want to let R guess, enter NULL or omit the argument
- If you want to specify column types, use a string of characters from list:
  - ▶ c = character
  - ▶ i = integer
  - ightharpoonup n = number
  - ▶ d = double
  - ▶ I = logical
  - ▶ f = factor
  - ▶ D = date
  - ▶ T = date time
  - ▶ t = time
  - ▶ ? = guess
  - to skip the column

#### Notes on col\_types =

- Column string must have exactly the same number of characters as the data has columns
  - If you have a data set with five columns, the string must have five characters
    - ★ Ex. col\_types = "cfn-c"
    - ★ Means character-factor-numeric-skip-character

### Two Other Key Arguments

- Specifying missing data
  - ► read\_csv() assumes that missing data will be encoded with
    - ★ the string "NA" or a blank string
  - If data uses other codes, need to specify them
    - ★ "99" is a common indicator of missing data in social science
    - ★ Must specify the na = argument as na = c("", "NA", "99")
- Skip rows: skip =
  - Datasets with metadata, etc. in 1st few rows
  - ► To skip these, set a positive value for the skip = argument
    - ★ Ex. skip = 4 will start reading the database on the fifth row

# Simple .csv Example

- classe\_simples.csv records info on a small school class
  - ▶ Name, home state, age and scores on a standardized test (1 10)

	Α	В	С	D
1	nome	estado	idade	nota
2	Pedro	DF	34	4.12
3	Joana	PE	59	6.1
4	Isabel	SP	26	9.34
5	Pedro	GO	67	6.75
6	Bia	RJ	53	5.85
7	Pedro	RJ	51	7.49
8	Tomas	то	46	5.78
9	Isabel	PE	66	4.2
10	Tomas	GO	21	8.78
11	Ricardo	TO	51	8.58
12				
4.5				

#### Importing classe\_simples.csv

- Assign the function to a name for the data frame classe1
- Run a simplified command with no column spec
  - R will guess

```
classe1 <- read_csv(here::here("classe_simples.csv"))
classe1</pre>
```

#### Result

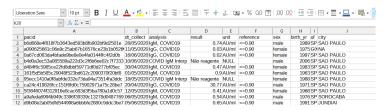
```
Parsed with column specification:
cols(
##
 nome = col character(),
##
 estado = col_character(),
##
 idade = col double(),
##
 nota = col double()
)
A tibble: 10 x 4
##
 estado idade nota
 nome
##
 <chr> <chr>
 <dbl> <dbl>
 DF
##
 1 Pedro
 34
 4.12
##
 2 Joana
 PΕ
 59 6.1
##
 3 Isabel
 SP
 26 9.34
 4 Pedro
 GO
 67
 6.75
##
##
 5 Bia
 RJ
 53 5.85
 6 Pedro
 RJ
 51 7.49
##
 7 Tomas
 TO
 46 5.78
##
##
 8 Isabel
 PE
 66 4.2
 9 Tomas
 GO
##
 21 8.78
 10 Ricardo TO
 51
 8.58
```

#### classe\_simples.csv Results

- First line contained variable names; R used them
- If we had wanted to specify columns, we could have used
  - col\_types = "ccnn"

#### More Complex Data Set

- Example we will use throughout data cleaning process
- 99 case version of Einstein Hospital COVID-19 sorological tests
  - einstein\_soro\_tests.csv
- First look at "messy", ie. real data



### Constructing the Import Command

- Variable names in first line
  - col\_names = can be omitted
- No need to use skip =
- NA argument
  - result and unit variables use "Não reagente" and "NULL"
  - birth\_yr has 3 NA values
  - Unclear if they mean 0 or could not get a meaningful result
  - ► Create argument: na = c("Não reagente", "NULL", "NA")

# col\_types = Argument

- pacid: awkward, but obviously a string
- dt\_collect: Date, but in non-standard format
  - R will parse as character type
  - We can reformat it in tidying phase
- analysis: character string
- result: should be numeric, but has text entries
  - R will parse as character type
- unit & reference fields: character strings
  - reference could be numeric, but leave to tidying
- sex: character, but better as factor: only 2 values
- birth yr: numeric
- uf & city: character
- Using codes, full argument: col\_types = "cccccfncc"

#### Ready to Import

```
einstein soro <- read csv(here::here("einstein soro tests.csv").
 col types = "cccccfncc",
 na = c("Não reagente", "NULL", "NA"))
glimpse(einstein_soro)
Rows: 99
Columns: 10
$ pacid
 <chr> "b6d668e4f818f7b3643ed593b8fb902bf9d2501e", "a090625661c...
$ dt collect <chr> "28/05/2020", "11/05/2020", "16/06/2020", "10/06/2020", ...
$ analysis
 <chr> "IgM, COVID19", "IgG, COVID19", "IgG, COVID19", "COVID I...
$ result
 <chr> "0.74", "0.03", "0.02", "Não reagente", "0.47", "0.9", "...
 <chr> "AU/ml", "AU/ml", "AU/ml", NA, "AU/ml", "AU/ml", NA, "AU...
$ unit
$ reference
 <chr> "<=0.90", "<=0.90", "<=0.90", "", "<=0.90", "<=0.90", "
$ sex
 <fct> male, female, female, female, female, female, female, male...
$ birth_yr
 <dbl> 1989, 1975, 1997, 2006, 1983, 1963, 1988, 1971, 1968, 19...
$ uf
 <chr> "SP", "GO", "SP", "
$ city
 <chr> "SAO PAULO", NA, "SAO PAULO", "SAO PAULO", "SAO PAULO", ...
```

#### Section 12

# Working with Excel Files

# Advice on Working within Excel - 1

- If you are preparing .csv files,
  - Save different types of data in different files
- If you are working with .xlsx files,
  - Save different types of data in different sheets (tabs)
- Data should be placed in a block of data
  - Without any blank lines
- First line should have variable names, if you are using them
- Each column should contain only one class of data
  - Numeric, character, logical, . . .

# Advice on Working within Excel - 2

- Zeros are always "0"
  - ▶ Never "-", " " (blank space) or other character
- Missing data should always be "NA"
  - ▶ Never "0", "99" or other text
- Start making the data conform to the tidy data rules here
  - Each column should be a variable
  - Each line should be a case
- Never use colors or design elements

# Importing Excel Files

- Do not have to save files as ".csv" first
- readxl package
  - read\_excel()
  - Works with both .xls and .xlsx formats
- Differs from read\_csv() primarily in handling of column types
- Also has arguments for
  - Specifying tabs within workbook
  - Specifying specific region on a given sheet

```
df ← read_excel(path, sheet = NULL, range = NULL, col_names = TRUE, col_types = NULL, na = "", skip = 0)
```

# Arguments for read\_excel()

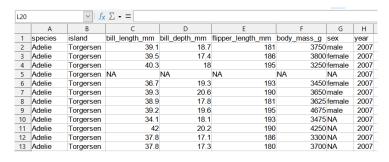
- Specifying what to download
  - Path for file
  - Sheet name
  - range in normal Excel format: "A1:B25"
- col names = functions same as read csv()
- na = and skip = function the same

# Column Types in read\_excel()

- Uses whole words instead of single letters
- If you want to make a factor, need to do so in tidying process
- Column types:
  - date
  - guess (trust R to make a good choice)
  - list
  - logical
  - numeric
  - skip
  - text

### Spreadsheet Example

- R standard data set: Palmer Penguins
  - 8 characteristics of 344 penguins
  - ▶ penguins.xlsx



### **Example Arguments**

- Column types
  - Argument is unnecessary as R will parse values correctly
  - ▶ If we want to specify it
    - \* col\_types = c("text", "text", "numeric", "numeric",
       "numeric", "numeric", "text", "numeric)
  - ▶ NA needed for measurement columns since missings exist
    - ★ na = "NA"

# Import File

```
penguin <- readxl::read_excel(here::here("penguins.xlsx"), na = "NA")</pre>
glimpse(penguin)
Rows: 344
Columns: 8
$ species
 <chr> "Adelie", "Adelie", "Adelie", "Adelie", "Adelie",...
$ island
 <chr> "Torgersen", "Torgersen", "Torgersen", "Torgersen...
$ bill_length_mm
 <dbl> 39.1, 39.5, 40.3, NA, 36.7, 39.3, 38.9, 39.2, 34....
$ bill depth mm
 <dbl> 18.7, 17.4, 18.0, NA, 19.3, 20.6, 17.8, 19.6, 18....
$ flipper_length_mm <dbl> 181, 186, 195, NA, 193, 190, 181, 195, 193, 190, ...
$ body_mass_g
 <dbl> 3750, 3800, 3250, NA, 3450, 3650, 3625, 4675, 347...
$ sex
 <chr> "male", "female", "female", NA, "female", "male",...
$ vear
 <dbl> 2007. 2007. 2007. 2007. 2007. 2007. 2007. 2007. 2007. 2...
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#### Section 13

#### **FASTA Files**

#### Read a FASTA File

- Most common storage format for nucleotide (DNA or RNA) and amino acid sequences
- Text-based representation using single-letter codes (alphabets)
- Each sequence can be preceded by a line of sequence name and comments
- Like a .csv file: pure text (uses text editor)
- To prepare sequences for analysis
  - Use specialized programs for reading and parsing
- New package (bioseq) provides easy and complete functions
  - Not in original set of downloaded packages
  - Install on your machine with install.packages("bioseq") in Console
- bioseq::read\_fasta() takes 2 arguments
  - file name and path
  - Type of sequence: "DNA" (default), "RNA" or "AA"

# FASTA File Example

- DNA sequences of the gag polyprotein of the HIV-1 virus
  - ▶ Reference genome HXB-2
- Sequence stored in file HIVHXB.fa
- Sequence is 1,503 base pairs long.



### Import the File

```
seq <- bioseq::read_fasta(here::here("HIVHXB.fa"), "DNA")
stringr::str_sub(seq, 1, 60)</pre>
```

- ## [1] "ATGGGTGCGAGAGCGTCAGTATTAAGCGGGGGAGAATTAGATCGATGGGAAAAAATTCGG"
  - Result a character string vector
  - First 60 nucleotides using the subsetting function of stringr package.

#### Section 14

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