Data Manipulation

Data Cleaning

Missing Data

• In R, missing values are represented by the symbol NA (not available).

• Impossible values (e.g., dividing by zero) are represented by the symbol NaN (not a number).

• Unlike SAS, R uses the same symbol for character and numeric data.

Testing for missing values

is.na(x) # returns TRUE of x is missing

y < -c(1,2,3,NA)

is.na(y) # returns a vector (F F F T)

Print the index of NA values

Testing for missing values in a Dataframe

$$df \leftarrow data.frame(col1 = c(1:3, NA),$$

$$col_3 = c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, TRUE),$$

$$col_4 = c(2.5, 4.2, 3.2, NA),$$

identify NAs in full data frame

>is.na(df)

Testing for missing values in a specific column/row of a Dataframe

identify NAs in specific data frame column

> is.na(df\$col4)

Or

> is.na(df[,4])

Print NAs in row 3 in given data frame "df"

Location and the number of NAs

identify location of NAs in vector

> which(is.na(df))

o/p: [1] 4 6 16

identify count of NAs in data frame

> sum(is.na(df))

o/p: [1] 3

- Print the count of NAs in row 3 in given data frame "df"
- Print count of NAs NAs in col 4 in given data frame "df"

Excluding missing values

 Arithmetic functions on missing values yield missing values.

Ex:

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x <- c(1,2,NA,3)

mean(x) # returns NA

mean(x, na.rm=TRUE) # returns 2
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- Print the median of vector x
- Print the median of col1 in dataframe "df"

Identifying the complete cases

 The function complete.cases() returns a logical vector indicating which cases are complete.

Ex:

list rows of data without missing values

> df[complete.cases(df),]

Print the list of rows with missing values in given data frame "df"

listwise deletion of missing values

The functions na.omit() or na.exclude()
returns the object with listwise deletion of
missing values

create new dataset without missing data

> newdata <- na.omit(df)

print the records without missing values

> na.exclude(df)