

Problem 1

To have a function that lists the objects in the workspace in a nicely formatted manner, several auxiliary printing function (*printObj*, *printUnit*) is created first for cleaner coding.

```
## Aux Printing Fun: Define printing control global parameter
wid = 20 # object name printing width
digit = 10 # byte size printing digits
## Print out file size according to auto-match units
printUnit <- function(obj) {
  units = c("", "k", "M", "G")
  i = 1
  while (obj >= 1024) {
    obj = obj/1024
    i = i + 1
  } # get proper units
  if (i == 1) {
    cat(format(obj, width = digit, justify = "right"), "\n", sep = "")
  } else {
    cat(format(as.integer(obj), width = digit - 1, justify = "right"), units[i],
        "\n", sep = "")
  }
}

## Print out the object list in a nicely formatted way
printObj <- function(objList, objName, pretty) {
  cat(format("object", width = wid), format("bytes", width = digit, justify = "right"),
      "\n", sep = "")
  if (pretty == FALSE) {
    # pretty==TRUE: it will call the printUnit to print out proper units for sizes
    t <- sapply(1:length(objList), function(i) {
      cat(format(objName[i], width = wid), format(objList[i], width = digit,
          justify = "right"), "\n", sep = "")
    })
  } else {
    # default: it will just print out number of bytes
    t <- sapply(1:length(objList), function(i) {
      cat(format(names(objList)[i], width = wid))
      printUnit(objList[i])
    })
  }
}
```

The main function will list objects ordered by size from largest to smallest; it allows the user to either specify how many objects to list or to specify that objects larger than a certain size to be listed. The argument *pretty*, when TRUE, results in the size of the objects being printed with the units tailored by function *printUnit*. By default, *lsObj<-function(numls=100, sizeB=0, pretty=FALSE)* will give sensible results. Also, the main function shown below is already written to be able to print out only objects in the frame of the function call when called from within another function.

```

lsObj <- function(numls = 100, sizeB = 0, pretty = FALSE) {
  listLs <- ls(envir = parent.frame()) # object list
  sizeLs <- sapply(listLs, function(x) {
    object.size(get(x, envir = parent.frame(n = 4)))
  })
  # get all object sizes from within the called frame;
  # n=4:FUN->sapply->lsObj->call(lsObj)
  tmpEnv <- NULL
  nameEnv <- NULL # store object sizes and names within a certain user-defined ENV
  tmpFun <- NULL
  nameFun <- NULL # store object sizes and names within a function closure
  for (item in listLs) {
    # elaborate objects to find hidden ones
    objitem <- get(item, envir = parent.frame())
    if (is.environment(objitem)) {
      # get sizes and store names with ENV prefix
      tt <- sapply(ls(envir = objitem), function(x) {
        object.size(get(x, envir = objitem))
      })
      tmpEnv <- c(tmpEnv, tt)
      nameEnv <- c(nameEnv, paste(item, "$", ls(envir = objitem), sep = ""))
    }
    if (is.function(objitem) && identical(environment(objitem), parent.frame()) ==
        FALSE) {
      # get sizes and store names with FUN prefix
      tt <- sapply(ls(envir = environment(objitem)), function(x) {
        object.size(get(x, envir = environment(objitem)))
      })
      tmpFun <- c(tmpFun, tt)
      nameFun <- c(nameFun, paste(item, "$", ls(envir = environment(objitem)),
        sep = ""))
    }
  }
  names(tmpEnv) <- nameEnv
  names(tmpFun) <- nameFun
  if (length(tmpEnv) > 0)
  {
    sizeLs <- c(sizeLs, tmpEnv)
  } #if there is use-defined ENV
  if (length(tmpFun) > 0)
  {
    sizeLs <- c(sizeLs, tmpFun)
  } #if there is FUN closure
  sizeLs <- sizeLs[sizeLs[] > sizeB] # find objects larger than sizeB(bytes)
  if (numls > length(sizeLs))
  {
    numls = length(sizeLs)
  } #prune incorrect listing number
  sizeLs <- sort(sizeLs, decreasing = TRUE)[1:numls] # find the numls largest objects
  nameLs <- names(sizeLs) # get the name of vector
  printObj(sizeLs, nameLs, pretty) # print using the aux functions
}

```

The above main function has the capability to deal with user-created environments and objects within a closure. It elaborates the objects obtained from the `ls()` function to see if there are user-defined ENV or FUN closure. When detected, it then goes one frame down to the enclosing environment to get the hidden objects and assign names to them with ENV/FUN prefix.

To create objects of various sizes for testing, I generated vectors of random normals of different lengths, along with several hidden ENV/FUN examples for testing.

```
#### Generate objects test cases
```

```
ob0 <- rnorm(1)
ob1 <- rnorm(10)
ob2 <- rnorm(100)
ob3 <- rnorm(1000)
ob4 <- rnorm(10000)
ob5 <- rnorm(1e+05)
ob6 <- rnorm(1e+06)
ob7 <- rnorm(1e+07)
```

```
## *****Test Case 1*****
```

```
## lsObj(5,128)
```

## object	bytes
## ob7	8e+07
## ob6	8e+06
## ob5	8e+05
## ob4	80040
## ob3	8040

```
## *****Test Case 2*****
```

```
## lsObj(sizeB = 1024)
```

## object	bytes
## ob7	8e+07
## ob6	8e+06
## ob5	8e+05
## ob4	80040
## ob3	8040

```
## *****Test Case 3*****
```

```
## lsObj(numls = 3)
```

## object	bytes
## ob7	8e+07
## ob6	8e+06
## ob5	8e+05

```
## *****Test Case 4*****
```

```
## lsObj(pretty = TRUE)
```

## object	bytes
## ob7	76M
## ob6	7M
## ob5	781k
## ob4	78k

```
## ob3          7k
## ob2          840
## ob1          168
## ob0          48
```

```
testFunc <- function () {
  data <- rnorm(10000); data2 <- rnorm(100000)
  myFun <- function(theta) {
    dist <- rnorm(theta); return(exp(dist / theta)); }
lsObj()}
testEx <- function () {
  x <- rnorm(100000); data <- rnorm(1000)
  e <- new.env(); e$a <- x # an object hidden in an environment
  e2 <- new.env(); e2$a2 <- x; e2$b2 <- 52
  myFun <- function(theta) {
    dist <- rnorm(theta); return(exp(dist / theta)); }
  myFun1 <- function(theta) {
    dist <- rnorm(theta); return(exp(dist / theta)); }
  myFun2 <- with(list( data = x ), # an object hidden in a closure
    function(theta) {
      dist <- rdist(data); return(exp(dist / theta)); } )
  myFun3 <- with(list( data2 = x ),
    function(theta2) {
      dist <- rdist(data); return(exp(dist / theta2)); } )
lsObj() }
```

```
## *****Test Case 5*****
## lsObj() in testFunc()
```

```
## object          bytes
## data2           8e+05
## data            80040
## myFun           6072
```

```
## *****Test Case 6*****
## lsObj() in test testEx()
```

```
## object          bytes
## x               8e+05
## e$a             8e+05
## e2$a2           8e+05
## myFun2$data     8e+05
## myFun3$data2    8e+05
## data            8040
## myFun           6072
## myFun1          6072
## myFun2          6072
## myFun3          6072
## e               56
## e2              56
## e2$b2           48
```