

# 4\_Subsetting

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```
library(tidyverse)

## -- Attaching packages ----- tidyverse 1.3.1 --

## v ggplot2 3.3.5      v purrr  0.3.4
## v tibble  3.1.6      v dplyr  1.0.8
## v tidyr   1.2.0      v stringr 1.4.0
## v readr   2.1.2      v forcats 0.5.1

## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()    masks stats::lag()
```

## 4 Subsetting

### 4.1 Introduction

#### Quiz

1. What is the result of subsetting a vector with positive integers, negative integers, a logical vector, or a character vector?

Select those elements only, select all but those elements, select all true elements, select all elements that match the name

2. What's the difference between [, [[, and \$ when applied to a list?

Takes sub lists and returns lists. extracts element from list, short hand for [[ for extracting an element

3. When should you use drop = FALSE?

To maintain a data frame / matrix when subsetting instead of returning a vector

4. If x is a matrix, what does x[] <- 0 do? How is it different from x <- 0?

Sets all values in the matrix to zero, erases the matrix and makes it a 1 element value

5. How can you use a named vector to relabel categorical variables?

Just give a vector of the named elements you want to subset

## 4.2 Selecting multiple elements

### 4.2.1 Atomic Vectors

```
x <- c(2.1, 4.2, 3.3, 5.4)
```

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

```
## [1] 3.3 2.1
```

```
#> [1] 3.3 2.1
```

```
x[order(x)]
```

```
## [1] 2.1 3.3 4.2 5.4
```

```
#> [1] 2.1 3.3 4.2 5.4
```

```
# Duplicate indices will duplicate values
```

```
x[c(1, 1)]
```

```
## [1] 2.1 2.1
```

```
#> [1] 2.1 2.1
```

```
# Real numbers are silently truncated to integers
```

```
x[c(2.1, 2.9)]
```

```
## [1] 4.2 4.2
```

```
#> [1] 4.2 4.2
```

```
x[-c(3, 1)]
```

```
## [1] 4.2 5.4
```

```
#> [1] 4.2 5.4
```

```
x[c(-1, 2)]
```

```
## Error in x[c(-1, 2)]: only 0's may be mixed with negative subscripts
```

```
#> Error in x[c(-1, 2)]: only 0's may be mixed with negative subscripts
```

```
x[c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, FALSE)]
```

```
## [1] 2.1 4.2
```

```
#> [1] 2.1 4.2
x[x > 3]
```

```
## [1] 4.2 3.3 5.4
```

```
#> [1] 4.2 3.3 5.4
```

```
x[c(TRUE, FALSE)]
```

```
## [1] 2.1 3.3
```

```
#> [1] 2.1 3.3
# Equivalent to
x[c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, FALSE)]
```

```
## [1] 2.1 3.3
```

```
#> [1] 2.1 3.3
```

```
x[c(TRUE, TRUE, NA, FALSE)]
```

```
## [1] 2.1 4.2 NA
```

```
#> [1] 2.1 4.2 NA
```

```
x[]
```

```
## [1] 2.1 4.2 3.3 5.4
```

```
#> [1] 2.1 4.2 3.3 5.4
```

```
x[0]
```

```
## numeric(0)
```

```
#> numeric(0)
```

```
(y <- setNames(x, letters[1:4]))
```

```
##   a   b   c   d
## 2.1 4.2 3.3 5.4
```

```
#>   a   b   c   d
#> 2.1 4.2 3.3 5.4
y[c("d", "c", "a")]
```

```
##   d   c   a
## 5.4 3.3 2.1
```

```
#>   d   c   a
#> 5.4 3.3 2.1

# Like integer indices, you can repeat indices
y[c("a", "a", "a")]
```

```
##   a   a   a
## 2.1 2.1 2.1
```

```
#>   a   a   a
#> 2.1 2.1 2.1

# When subsetting with [, names are always matched exactly
z <- c(abc = 1, def = 2)
z[c("a", "d")]
```

```
## <NA> <NA>
##   NA   NA
```

```
#> <NA> <NA>
#>   NA   NA
```

```
y[factor("b")]
```

```
##   a
## 2.1
```

```
#>   a
#> 2.1
```

#### 4.2.2 Lists

Using `[` always returns a list; `[[` and `$`, as described in Section 4.3, let you pull out elements of a list

#### 4.2.3 Matrices and arrays

```
a <- matrix(1:9, nrow = 3)
colnames(a) <- c("A", "B", "C")
a
```

```
##      A B C
## [1,] 1 4 7
## [2,] 2 5 8
## [3,] 3 6 9
```

```
a[1:2, ]
```

```
##      A B C
## [1,] 1 4 7
## [2,] 2 5 8
```

```
#>      A B C
#> [1,] 1 4 7
#> [2,] 2 5 8
a[c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE), c("B", "A")]
```

```
##      B A
## [1,] 4 1
## [2,] 6 3
```

```
#>      B A
#> [1,] 4 1
#> [2,] 6 3
a[0, -2]
```

```
##      A C
```

```
#>      A C
```

```
a[1, ]
```

```
## A B C
## 1 4 7
```

```
#> A B C
#> 1 4 7
a[1, 1]
```

```
## A
## 1
```

```
#> A
#> 1
```

```
vals <- outer(1:5, 1:5, FUN = "paste", sep = ",")
vals
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
## [1,] "1,1" "1,2" "1,3" "1,4" "1,5"
## [2,] "2,1" "2,2" "2,3" "2,4" "2,5"
## [3,] "3,1" "3,2" "3,3" "3,4" "3,5"
## [4,] "4,1" "4,2" "4,3" "4,4" "4,5"
## [5,] "5,1" "5,2" "5,3" "5,4" "5,5"
```

```
#>      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
#> [1,] "1,1" "1,2" "1,3" "1,4" "1,5"
#> [2,] "2,1" "2,2" "2,3" "2,4" "2,5"
#> [3,] "3,1" "3,2" "3,3" "3,4" "3,5"
#> [4,] "4,1" "4,2" "4,3" "4,4" "4,5"
#> [5,] "5,1" "5,2" "5,3" "5,4" "5,5"
```

```
vals[c(4, 15)]
```

```
## [1] "4,1" "5,3"
```

```
#> [1] "4,1" "5,3"
```

```
select <- matrix(ncol = 2, byrow = TRUE, c(
  1, 1,
  3, 1,
  2, 4
))
vals[select]
```

```
## [1] "1,1" "3,1" "2,4"
```

```
#> [1] "1,1" "3,1" "2,4"
```

#### 4.2.4 Data frames and tibbles

```
df <- data.frame(x = 1:3, y = 3:1, z = letters[1:3])
df[df$x == 2, ]
```

```
##   x y z
## 2 2 2 b
```

```
#>   x y z
#> 2 2 2 b
df[c(1, 3), ]
```

```
##   x y z
## 1 1 3 a
## 3 3 1 c
```

```
#>   x y z
#> 1 1 3 a
#> 3 3 1 c
```

```
# There are two ways to select columns from a data frame
# Like a list
df[c("x", "z")]
```

```
##   x z
## 1 1 a
## 2 2 b
## 3 3 c
```

```
#>   x z
#> 1 1 a
#> 2 2 b
#> 3 3 c
# Like a matrix
df[, c("x", "z")]
```

```
##   x z
## 1 1 a
## 2 2 b
## 3 3 c
```

```
#>   x z
#> 1 1 a
#> 2 2 b
#> 3 3 c

# There's an important difference if you select a single
# column: matrix subsetting simplifies by default, list
# subsetting does not.
str(df["x"])
```

```
## 'data.frame':   3 obs. of  1 variable:
## $ x: int  1 2 3
```

```
#> 'data.frame':   3 obs. of  1 variable:
#> $ x: int  1 2 3
str(df[, "x"])
```

```
## int [1:3] 1 2 3
```

```
#> int [1:3] 1 2 3
```

```
df <- tibble::tibble(x = 1:3, y = 3:1, z = letters[1:3])
str(df["x"])
```

```
## tibble [3 x 1] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
## $ x: int [1:3] 1 2 3
```

```
#> tibble [3 x 1] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
#> $ x: int [1:3] 1 2 3
str(df[, "x"])
```

```
## tibble [3 x 1] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
## $ x: int [1:3] 1 2 3
```

```
#> tibble [3 × 1] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
#> $ x: int [1:3] 1 2 3
```

#### 4.2.5 Preserving dimensionality

```
a <- matrix(1:4, nrow = 2)
str(a[1, ])
```

```
## int [1:2] 1 3
```

```
#> int [1:2] 1 3
```

```
str(a[1, , drop = FALSE])
```

```
## int [1, 1:2] 1 3
```

```
#> int [1, 1:2] 1 3
```

```
df <- data.frame(a = 1:2, b = 1:2)
str(df[, "a"])
```

```
## int [1:2] 1 2
```

```
#> int [1:2] 1 2
```

```
str(df[, "a", drop = FALSE])
```

```
## 'data.frame': 2 obs. of 1 variable:
## $ a: int 1 2
```

```
#> 'data.frame': 2 obs. of 1 variable:
#> $ a: int 1 2
```

```
z <- factor(c("a", "b"))
z[1]
```

```
## [1] a
## Levels: a b
```

```
#> [1] a
#> Levels: a b
z[1, drop = TRUE]
```

```
## [1] a
## Levels: a
```



```
#> [1] a
#> Levels: a
```

## 4.2.6 Exercises

```
#mtcars[mtcars$cyl = 4, ]
mtcars[mtcars$cyl == 4, ]
```

1. Fix each of the following common data frame subsetting errors:

```
##          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
## 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
## Toyota Corona 21.5  4  120.1  97 3.70  2.465 20.01  1  0    3    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
## Volvo 142E  21.4   4  121.0 109 4.11  2.780 18.60  1  1    4    2
```

```
#mtcars[-1:4, ]
mtcars[-c(1:4), ]
```

```
##          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
## 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
## Merc 280          19.2  6 167.6 123 3.92  3.440 18.30  1  0    4    4
## Merc 280C         17.8  6 167.6 123 3.92  3.440 18.90  1  0    4    4
## Merc 450SE        16.4  8 275.8 180 3.07  4.070 17.40  0  0    3    3
## Merc 450SL        17.3  8 275.8 180 3.07  3.730 17.60  0  0    3    3
## Merc 450SLC       15.2  8 275.8 180 3.07  3.780 18.00  0  0    3    3
## Cadillac Fleetwood 10.4  8 472.0 205 2.93  5.250 17.98  0  0    3    4
## Lincoln Continental 10.4  8 460.0 215 3.00  5.424 17.82  0  0    3    4
## Chrysler Imperial 14.7  8 440.0 230 3.23  5.345 17.42  0  0    3    4
## 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
## Toyota Corona     21.5  4  120.1  97 3.70  2.465 20.01  1  0    3    1
## Dodge Challenger  15.5  8 318.0 150 2.76  3.520 16.87  0  0    3    2
## AMC Javelin       15.2  8 304.0 150 3.15  3.435 17.30  0  0    3    2
## Camaro Z28        13.3  8 350.0 245 3.73  3.840 15.41  0  0    3    4
## Pontiac Firebird  19.2  8 400.0 175 3.08  3.845 17.05  0  0    3    2
## 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
## Ford Pantera L    15.8   8 351.0 264 4.22 3.170 14.50  0  1   5   4
## Ferrari Dino      19.7   6 145.0 175 3.62 2.770 15.50  0  1   5   6
## Maserati Bora     15.0   8 301.0 335 3.54 3.570 14.60  0  1   5   8
## Volvo 142E        21.4   4 121.0 109 4.11 2.780 18.60  1  1   4   2
```

```
#mtcars[mtcars$cyl <= 5]
mtcars[mtcars$cyl <= 5,]
```

```
##      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
## 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
## Toyota Corona 21.5  4 120.1  97 3.70 2.465 20.01  1  0   3   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
## Volvo 142E  21.4   4 121.0 109 4.11 2.780 18.60  1  1   4   2
```

```
#mtcars[mtcars$cyl == 4 | 6, ]
mtcars[mtcars$cyl == c(4,6), ]
```

```
##      mpg  cyl  disp  hp drat   wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## 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
## Hornet 4 Drive 21.4   6 258.0 110 3.08 3.215 19.44  1  0   3   1
## Valiant       18.1   6 225.0 105 2.76 3.460 20.22  1  0   3   1
## Merc 230      22.8   4 140.8  95 3.92 3.150 22.90  1  0   4   2
## Merc 280      19.2   6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.30  1  0   4   4
## Honda Civic   30.4   4  75.7  52 4.93 1.615 18.52  1  1   4   2
## Toyota Corona 21.5   4 120.1  97 3.70 2.465 20.01  1  0   3   1
## Porsche 914-2 26.0   4 120.3  91 4.43 2.140 16.70  0  1   5   2
## Ferrari Dino  19.7   6 145.0 175 3.62 2.770 15.50  0  1   5   6
```

```
x <- 1:5
x[NA]
```

2. Why does the following code yield five missing values? (Hint: why is it different from `x[NA_real_]`?)

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

```
#> [1] NA NA NA NA NA
x[NA_real_]
```

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

```
#> [1] NA
```

NA is not applicable so it gives 5 NAs because it can't tell for each number if it is the same or not. With `x[NA_real_]` you are pulling real NAs and they don't exist so you get NA

```
x <- outer(1:5, 1:5, FUN = "*")
x
```

**3. What does `upper.tri()` return? How does subsetting a matrix with it work? Do we need any additional subsetting rules to describe its behaviour?**

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
## [1,]    1    2    3    4    5
## [2,]    2    4    6    8   10
## [3,]    3    6    9   12   15
## [4,]    4    8   12   16   20
## [5,]    5   10   15   20   25
```

```
x[upper.tri(x)]
```

```
## [1]  2  3  6  4  8 12  5 10 15 20
```

```
x[lower.tri(x)]
```

```
## [1]  2  3  4  5  6  8 10 12 15 20
```

Upper triangle of the matrix not including the diagonal. It returns a same size matrix of T and F. Matrix subsetting with a matrix which strips the dimensionality of the matrix and makes it a 1D vector

```
dim(mtcars)
```

**4. Why does `mtcars[1:20]` return an error? How does it differ from the similar `mtcars[1:20, ]`?**

```
## [1] 32 11
```

There's only 11 columns so `mtcars[1:20]` is asking for more columns than exist in the data

```
diag_alt <- function(m){
  mat <- matrix(FALSE,
                nrow = dim(m)[1],
                ncol = dim(m)[2])
  for(i in 1:(min(dim(m)))){
```

```

    mat[i,i] <- TRUE
  }
  return(m[mat])
}

x <- outer(1:5, 1:5, FUN = "*")
diag(x)

```

5. Implement your own function that extracts the diagonal entries from a matrix (it should behave like `diag(x)` where `x` is a matrix).

```
## [1] 1 4 9 16 25
```

```
diag_alt(x)
```

```
## [1] 1 4 9 16 25
```

6. What does `df[is.na(df)] <- 0` do? How does it work? Any NA elements in the data frame are converted to 0 using a logical matrix

## 4.3 Selecting a single element

### 4.3.1 “[[”

```
x <- list(1:3, "a", 4:6)
```

```

# Bad
for (i in 2:length(x)) {
  out[i] <- fun(x[i], out[i - 1])
}

```

```
## Error in fun(x[i], out[i - 1]): could not find function "fun"
```

```

# Good
for (i in 2:length(x)) {
  out[[i]] <- fun(x[[i]], out[[i - 1]])
}

```

```
## Error in fun(x[[i]], out[[i - 1]]): could not find function "fun"
```

### 4.3.2 “\$”

```

var <- "cyl"
# Doesn't work - mtcars$var translated to mtcars[["var"]]
mtcars$var

```

```
## NULL
```

```
#> NULL
```

```
# Instead use [[  
mtcars[[var]]
```

```
## [1] 6 6 4 6 8 6 8 4 4 6 6 8 8 8 8 8 8 4 4 4 4 8 8 8 8 4 4 4 8 6 8 4
```

```
#> [1] 6 6 4 6 8 6 8 4 4 6 6 8 8 8 8 8 8 4 4 4 4 8 8 8 8 4 4 4 8 6 8 4
```

```
# Partial match with $  
x <- list(abc = 1)  
x$a
```

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

```
#> [1] 1  
x[["a"]]
```

```
## NULL
```

```
#> NULL
```

```
options(warnPartialMatchDollar = TRUE)  
x$a
```

```
## Warning in x$a: partial match of 'a' to 'abc'
```

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

```
#> Warning in x$a: partial match of 'a' to 'abc'  
#> [1] 1
```

### 4.3.3 Missing and out-of-bounds indices

```
x <- list(  
  a = list(1, 7, 3),  
  b = list(3, 4, 5)  
)  
  
purrr::pluck(x, "a", 2)
```

```
## [1] 7
```

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

```
purrr::pluck(x, "c", 1)
```

```
## NULL
```

```
#> NULL  
  
purrr::pluck(x, "c", 1, .default = NA)
```

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

```
#> [1] NA
```

#### 4.3.4 @ and slot()

There are two additional subsetting operators, which are needed for S4 objects: @ (equivalent to \$), and slot() (equivalent to []). @ is more restrictive than \$ in that it will return an error if the slot does not exist. These are described in more detail in Chapter 15.

#### 4.3.5 Exercises

```
mtcars[3,2]
```

1. Brainstorm as many ways as possible to extract the third value from the cyl variable in the mtcars dataset.

```
## [1] 4
```

```
mtcars$cyl[3]
```

```
## [1] 4
```

```
mtcars[["cyl"]][3]
```

```
## [1] 4
```

```
as.matrix(mtcars)[35]
```

```
## [1] 4
```

```
as.matrix(mtcars)[[35]]
```

```
## [1] 4
```

```
mod <- lm(mpg ~ wt, data = mtcars)  
mod$df.residual
```

2. Given a linear model, e.g., `mod <- lm(mpg ~ wt, data = mtcars)`, extract the residual degrees of freedom. Then extract the R squared from the model summary (`summary(mod)`)

```
## [1] 30
```

```
summod <- summary(mod)
summod$r.squared
```

```
## [1] 0.7528328
```

## 4.4 Subsetting and assignment

```
x <- 1:5
x[c(1, 2)] <- c(101, 102)
x
```

```
## [1] 101 102 3 4 5
```

```
#> [1] 101 102 3 4 5
```

```
x <- list(a = 1, b = 2)
x[["b"]] <- NULL
str(x)
```

```
## List of 1
## $ a: num 1
```

```
#> List of 1
#> $ a: num 1
```

```
y <- list(a = 1, b = 2)
y["b"] <- list(NULL)
str(y)
```

```
## List of 2
## $ a: num 1
## $ b: NULL
```

```
#> List of 2
#> $ a: num 1
#> $ b: NULL
```

```
mtcars[] <- lapply(mtcars, as.integer)
is.data.frame(mtcars)
```

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

```
#> [1] TRUE
```

```
mtcars <- lapply(mtcars, as.integer)
is.data.frame(mtcars)
```

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

```
#> [1] FALSE
```

## 4.5 Applications