

RepData_PeerAssessment1

This is an R Markdown document for Reproducible Research assignment 1.

1. Load the libraries and data, and preprocess the data

```
library(dplyr)

##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
##
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
##     filter
##
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##     intersect, setdiff, setequal, union

library(stringr)
library(ggplot2)

ac<-read.csv("activity.csv")

# pad the left side of the interval entry "0" with "so that each entry has
# four characters
ac$interval<-str_pad(ac$interval,4,"left","0")

datetime<-strptime(paste(ac$date,ac$interval), "%Y-%m-%d %H%M")

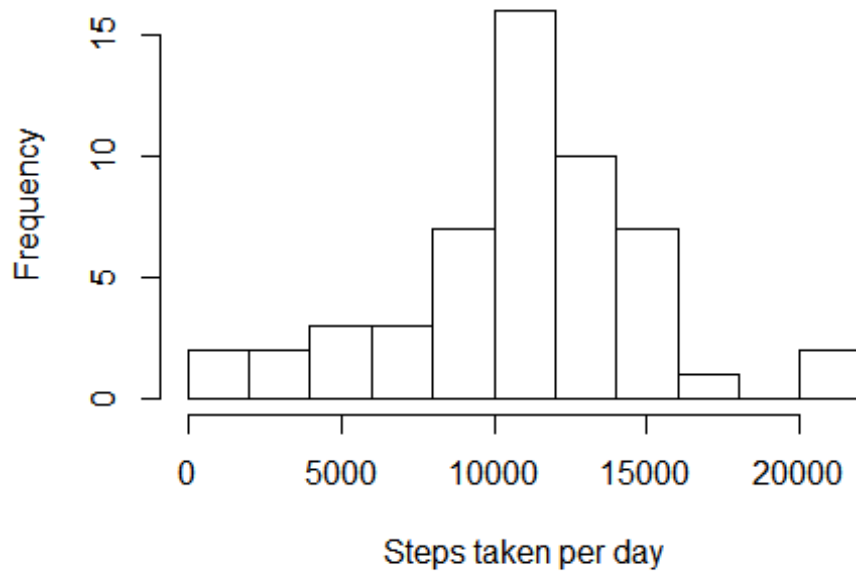
# create a new data frame "acdatetime" by adding column "datetime" to the
# data frame
acdatetime<-cbind(ac,datetime)

# a data frame with missing value removed
steps_datetime<-filter(acdatetime,steps!="NA")
```

2.What is mean total number of steps taken per day?

```
by_day<-group_by(steps_datetime,date)
sumbyday<-summarise_each(by_day,fun(sum),steps)
hist(sumbday$steps,breaks=10,main="Histogram of steps taken per
day",xlab="Steps taken per day")
```

Histogram of steps taken per day



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print(summary(sumbday$steps))
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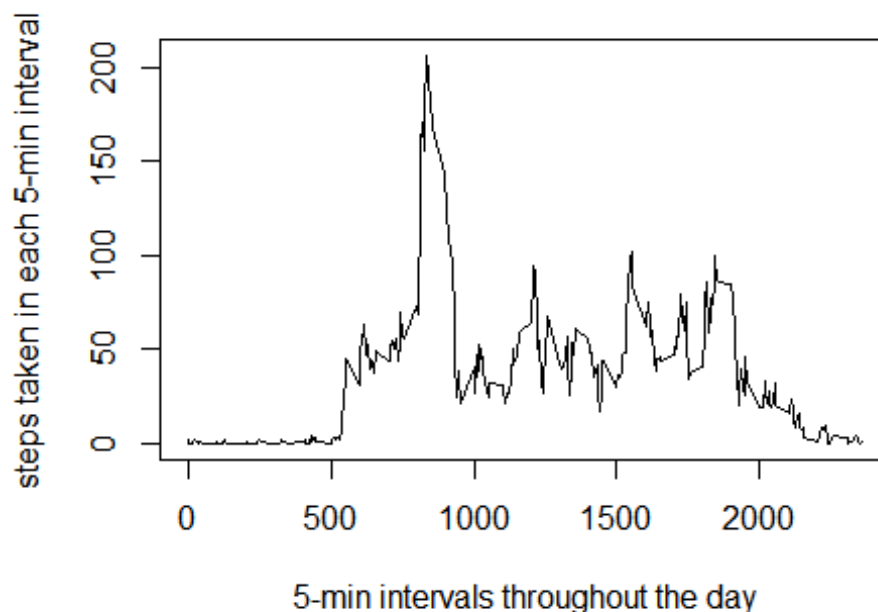
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##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##       41    8841   10760   10770   13290   21190
```

The mean total number of steps taken per day is 10766.

3. What is the average daily activity pattern?

```
pattern<-group_by(steps_datetime,interval)
avgbyinterval<-summarise_each(pattern,funs(mean),steps)
```

```
plot(avgbyinterval$interval,avgbyinterval$steps, type="l", xlab="5-min
intervals throughout the day", ylab="steps taken in each 5-min interval")
```



```
ordered<-arrange(avgbyinterval,desc(steps))
maxinterval<-ordered[1,1]
maxstep<-as.integer(ordered[1,2])
```

The 5-min interval at 0835 contains the maximum number of steps: 206.

4. Imputing missing values

Imputing strategy: The rounded average number of steps taken per interval calculated from the data set with missing data removed will be used for that interval whenever the data is missing.

```
# obtaining a data frame containing rounded value of the mean of steps per interval
intavgsteps<-as.integer(round(avgbyinterval$steps))
avgbyinterval<-cbind(avgbyinterval,intavgsteps)
#rename steps to mysteps to avoid column name duplication in the merged data frame
avgbyinterval<-rename(avgbyinterval, mysteps=steps)

#merge the original data frame with the above data frame containing the mean steps per interval
mymerge<-merge(acdatetime, avgbyinterval, by=c("interval","interval"))
mymerge<-arrange(mymerge,datetime)

# replace NA with the mean steps for that interval
mymergena<-filter(mymerge, is.na(steps)==TRUE)
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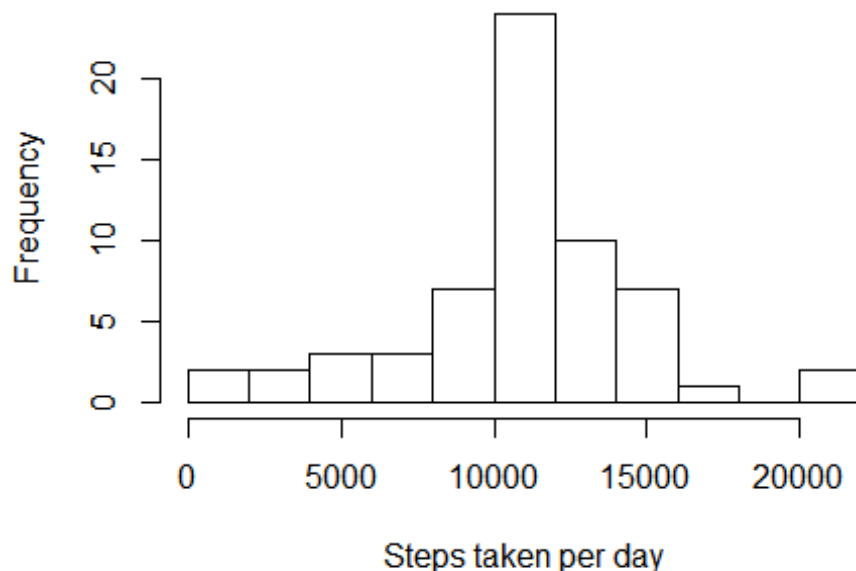
mymergena$steps<-mymergena$intavgsteps
imputed<-rbind(mymergena,filter(mymerge,is.na(steps)==FALSE))

#calculate the number of missing values
num_missing<-length(mymergena$steps)

#calculate step per day for data set with missing value imputed
by_day_imputed<-group_by(imputed,date)
sumbyday_imputed<-summarise_each(by_day_imputed,funs(sum),steps)
# make a histogram with data set containing imputed data
hist(sumbday_imputed$steps,breaks=10,main="Histogram of steps taken per day
with missing data imputed",xlab="Steps taken per day")

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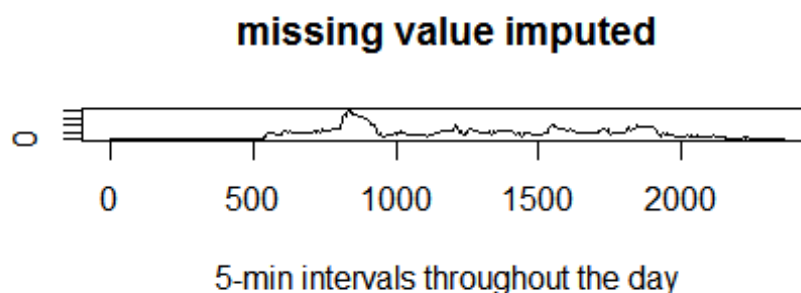
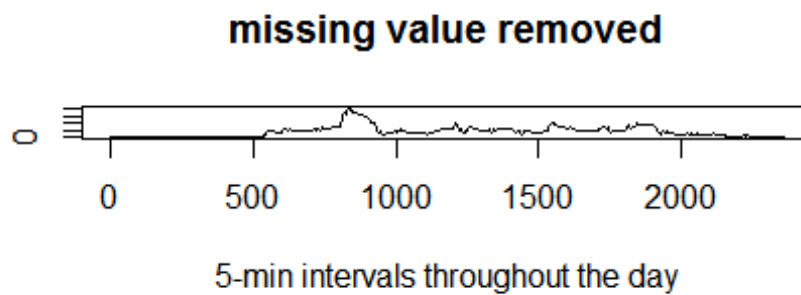
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# group and summarize the data set containing imputed data
patternimputed<-group_by(imputed,interval)
avgbyintervalimputed<-summarise_each(patternimputed,funs(mean),steps)

#make plot with or without missing value imputed
par(mfrow=c(2,1))
plot(avgbyinterval$interval,avgbyinterval$mysteps, type="l",xlab="5-min
intervals throughout the day", ylab="steps taken in each interval",
main="missing value removed")
plot(avgbyintervalimputed$interval,avgbyintervalimputed$steps,
type="l",xlab="5-min intervals throughout the day", ylab="steps taken in each
interval", main="missing value imputed")

```

steps taken in each interval: steps taken in each interval



```
par(mfrow=c(1,1))
```

The total number of missing values in the dataset is 2304.

Summary with missing data removed:

##	Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.
##	41	8841	10760	10770	13290	21190

Summary with missing data imputed:

##	Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.
##	41	9819	10760	10770	12810	21190

The results are very similar but not identical; therefore, imputing missing data using the way described above does not have a dramatic effect on the results of the estimates of the total daily number of steps.

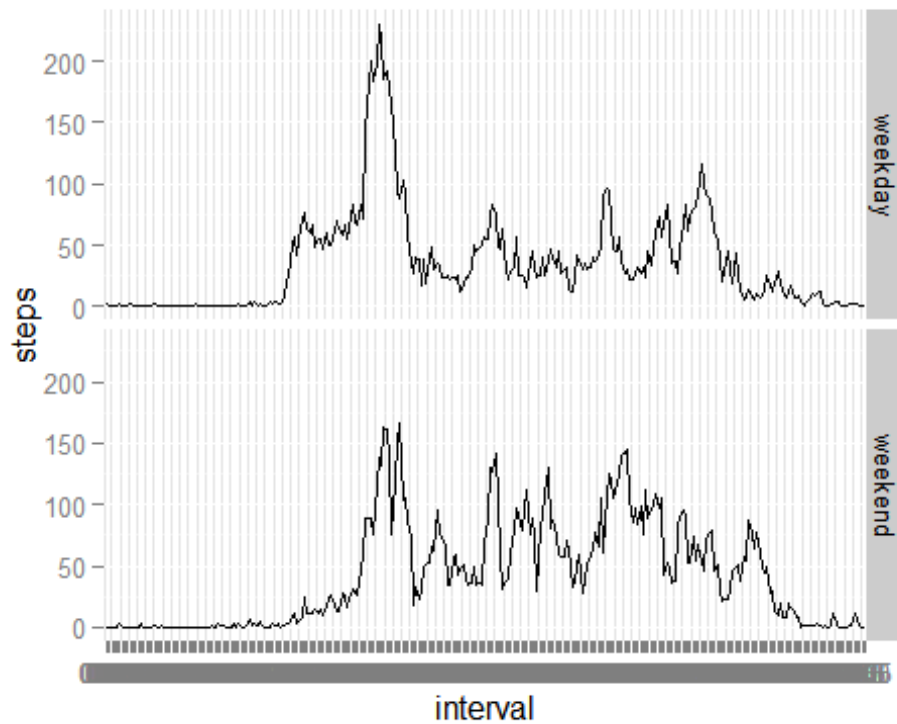
5. Are there differences in activity patterns between weekdays and weekends?

```
# use the data set with the filled-in missing data

#create a column "dayorend" to denote weekday and weekend
imputed_wd<-mutate(imputed,weekday=weekdays(datetime),dayorend="weekday")
imputed_wd$dayorend[imputed_wd$weekday=="Saturday"|imputed_wd$weekday=="Sunday"]<-"weekend"
#group the data by interval and weekday/weekend
patterndayorend<-group_by(imputed_wd,interval,dayorend)
```

```
avgdayorend<-summarise_each(patterndayorend,funcs(mean),steps)

#plot the result
g<-ggplot(avgdayorend,aes(interval,steps,group=1))
print(g+geom_line()+facet_grid(dayorend~.))
```



Comparison of the two graphs shows that on the weekdays, the activity starts earlier and has a larger early morning peak and that, on the weekend, the activity starts later and the morning peak is less pronounced, i.e., the activity is more evenly spread over the course of the day.