**Code Book for the Getting and Cleaning Data project**

This code Book describes a project undertaken for a course in the data science specialization. The data sets used were provided as ".txt" files, therefore the study design described below was made by others[[1]](#footnote-2).

The student just had to figure out how to read, into Rstudio, the provided data sets.

The student certifies that the code Book section is her own work.

***1. Study design***

The experiments have been carried out with a group of 30 volunteers within an age bracket of 19-48 years. Each person performed six activities (WALKING, WALKING\_UPSTAIRS, WALKING\_DOWNSTAIRS, SITTING, STANDING, LAYING) wearing a smartphone (Samsung Galaxy S II) on the waist. Using its embedded accelerometer and gyroscope, we captured 3-axial linear acceleration and 3-axial angular velocity at a constant rate of 50Hz. The experiments have been video-recorded to label the data manually. The obtained dataset has been randomly partitioned into two sets, where 70% of the volunteers was selected for generating the training data and 30% the test data.   
  
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For each record it is provided:

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- Triaxial acceleration from the accelerometer (total acceleration) and the estimated body acceleration.

- Triaxial Angular velocity from the gyroscope.

- A 561-feature vector with time and frequency domain variables.

- Its activity label.

- An identifier of the subject who carried out the experiment.

The dataset includes the following files:

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- 'README.txt'

- 'features\_info.txt': Shows information about the variables used on the feature vector.

- 'features.txt': List of all features.

- 'activity\_labels.txt': Links the class labels with their activity name.

- 'train/X\_train.txt': Training set.

- 'train/y\_train.txt': Training labels.

- 'test/X\_test.txt': Test set.

- 'test/y\_test.txt': Test labels.

The following files are available for the train and test data. Their descriptions are equivalent.

- 'train/subject\_train.txt': Each row identifies the subject who performed the activity for each window sample. Its range is from 1 to 30.

- 'train/Inertial Signals/total\_acc\_x\_train.txt': The acceleration signal from the smartphone accelerometer X axis in standard gravity units 'g'. Every row shows a 128 element vector. The same description applies for the 'total\_acc\_x\_train.txt' and 'total\_acc\_z\_train.txt' files for the Y and Z axis.

- 'train/Inertial Signals/body\_acc\_x\_train.txt': The body acceleration signal obtained by subtracting the gravity from the total acceleration.

- 'train/Inertial Signals/body\_gyro\_x\_train.txt': The angular velocity vector measured by the gyroscope for each window sample. The units are radians/second.

Notes:

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- Features are normalized and bounded within [-1,1].

- Each feature vector is a row on the text file.

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***2. Code Book***

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1. http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Human+Activity+Recognition+Using+Smartphones [↑](#footnote-ref-2)