





Homework 3 (String processing)

Select and solve 5 tasks from this list.

Include all the solutions in **one** R script file, see homework3_template.R for a template.

When you're done, send them via courses.ipipan.edu.pl.

All the scripts will be examined by plagiarism detection software.

Exercise 03.01. Write a function eventdifftime() which expects on input a data frame with n rows (for some n) and the following columns:

- h an integer vector with elements in $\{0, 1, \dots, 23\}$,
- m an integer vector with elements in $\{0, 1, \dots, 59\}$,
- s an integer vector with elements in $\{0, 1, \dots, 59\}$.

Each row represents some event's time (all of the events occur in the same day).

Firstly, the data frame should be sorted w.r.t the events' times (increasingly). The function should return a numeric vector of length n-1, giving the time difference (in seconds) between consecutive events. For example, if the input is like:

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h m s
1 13 1 1
2 14 3 4
3 13 2 2
then the expected result is (61, 3662).
```

Exercise 03.02. Write a function uncomment() to remove comments from a given source code chunk. Parameters:

- 1. a character vector text each string represents a single line of a source file, cf. readLines(),
- 2. a 2-column character matrix tags each row either determines how to start and end a comment or how to denote a comment that terminates at the end of the current line (in such a case the value in the 2nd column is NA).

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For example, in R we have tags=matrix(c("#", NA), ncol=2). On the other hand, in C++ we have
tags=matrix(c("/*", "//", "*/", NA), ncol=2), and in PHP-tags=matrix(c("/*", "//", "#",
"*/", NA, NA), ncol=2).
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The function should return a character vector. If the comment removal results in a blank line, do not include it in the result. By the way, do note that ",1 /* foo bar /* foo // bar */ 2" should be transformed to ,,1 2".

Exercise 03.03. Write a function findemails () to extract all well-formed email addresses from each string in a given character vector. The function should return a character vector. For example:

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findemails("Jola Lojalna <jl@google.com>")
## [1] "jl@google.com"
findemails(c("a@b@c", "Send comments to Grzegorz.Urlich@math.sk",
   "ooo@e13.com, wu@ok.edu"))
## [1] "Grzegorz.Urlich@math.sk" "ooo@e13.com"
## [3] "wu@ok.edu"
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Exercise 03.04. Write a function scrabble() with the following parameters:

- 1. \mathbf{x} a named integer vector giving how may points (values) may be obtained by using corresponding letters (names),
- 2. a single integer n,
- 3. a character vector dict, determining a set of possible words.

The function should return top (w.r.t. the total number of points per word) n words from dict. Total number of points for a given word is just the sum of the points per each letter.

For example, x may be of the following form:

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## a a b c ć d e e f g h i j k l ł m n ń o ó p r s ś t u w y z ź ż
## 1 5 3 2 6 2 1 5 5 3 3 1 3 2 2 3 2 1 7 1 5 2 1 1 5 2 3 1 2 1 9 5
```

If you'd like some more challenge, submit a second solution that addresses a more complicated problem. You are also given a vector y that tells you how many letters are available (e.g. 3 "a"s, 2 "b"s, etc.; originally we assumed that each letter may be re-used infinitely many times). Return top n (or less) words that can be formed with a given set of letters.

Exercise 03.05. Write a function checkParens() to determine if all opening parentheses in a given text chunk are properly nested. Parameters:

- 1. a character vector text;
- 2. a 2-column matrix parens consisting of single-character strings; the 1st column gives the opening parentheses, and the 2nd one their closing counterparts, e.g. c("(", "{", "[")) and c(")", "}", "]")).

The function should return an integer vector of the same length as **text**. The value of 0 informs us that the corresponding string consists in properly nested parentheses. Otherwise, a value >0 denotes the position at which we may find a problematic parenthesis.

For example, "(a ((b) (c)) (d) e)" and "z <- x[(y>0)]; sum(x)" have all their parentheses properly nested. On the other hand "(()" should result in 1, and "[(])" in 3 (or 2, it depends on your implementation).

Exercise 03.06**. You are given a character vector, each string represent a paragraph of text. Write a function wrap_dynamic() that implements a dynamic ("minimum raggedness") word wrap algorithm. Output a character vector such that, when printed on string, it fills up to h (76 by default) text columns.

For example:

¹See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Word_wrap.



