

Introduction to Statistics with R

Session R06: Eye Tracking

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List files

```
filenames = list.files(path = "R06_notes_dataset")  
filenames
```

```
## [1] "R06_trial_1.csv" "R06_trial_10.csv" "R06_trial_11.csv" "R06_trial_12.csv"  
## [5] "R06_trial_13.csv" "R06_trial_14.csv" "R06_trial_15.csv" "R06_trial_16.csv"  
## [9] "R06_trial_17.csv" "R06_trial_18.csv" "R06_trial_19.csv" "R06_trial_2.csv"  
## [13] "R06_trial_20.csv" "R06_trial_21.csv" "R06_trial_22.csv" "R06_trial_23.csv"  
## [17] "R06_trial_24.csv" "R06_trial_25.csv" "R06_trial_26.csv" "R06_trial_27.csv"  
## [21] "R06_trial_28.csv" "R06_trial_29.csv" "R06_trial_3.csv" "R06_trial_30.csv"  
## [25] "R06_trial_31.csv" "R06_trial_32.csv" "R06_trial_33.csv" "R06_trial_34.csv"  
## [29] "R06_trial_35.csv" "R06_trial_36.csv" "R06_trial_37.csv" "R06_trial_38.csv"  
## [33] "R06_trial_39.csv" "R06_trial_4.csv" "R06_trial_40.csv" "R06_trial_41.csv"  
## [37] "R06_trial_42.csv" "R06_trial_43.csv" "R06_trial_44.csv" "R06_trial_45.csv"  
## [41] "R06_trial_46.csv" "R06_trial_47.csv" "R06_trial_48.csv" "R06_trial_49.csv"  
## [45] "R06_trial_5.csv" "R06_trial_50.csv" "R06_trial_51.csv" "R06_trial_52.csv"  
## [49] "R06_trial_53.csv" "R06_trial_54.csv" "R06_trial_55.csv" "R06_trial_56.csv"  
## [53] "R06_trial_57.csv" "R06_trial_58.csv" "R06_trial_59.csv" "R06_trial_6.csv"  
## [57] "R06_trial_60.csv" "R06_trial_61.csv" "R06_trial_62.csv" "R06_trial_63.csv"  
## [61] "R06_trial_64.csv" "R06_trial_65.csv" "R06_trial_66.csv" "R06_trial_67.csv"  
## [65] "R06_trial_68.csv" "R06_trial_69.csv" "R06_trial_7.csv" "R06_trial_70.csv"  
## [69] "R06_trial_8.csv" "R06_trial_9.csv"
```

Construct custom text

```
group = "R seminar group"
paste("Hello", "dear", group, "!!", sep="___")
## [1] "Hello___dear___R seminar group___!!"
```

```
filename = "data_1.csv"  
paste("data/", filename, sep="")  
## [1] "data/data_1.csv"
```

for loops

```
for (letter in c("A", "b", "C")){  
  print(letter)  
}
```

```
## [1] "A"  
## [1] "b"  
## [1] "C"
```

```
for (i in 1:10){  
  print(i ** 2)  
}
```

```
## [1] 1  
## [1] 4  
## [1] 9  
## [1] 16  
## [1] 25  
## [1] 36  
## [1] 49  
## [1] 64  
## [1] 81  
## [1] 100
```

```
values = 1:10
values_sum = 0
for (value in values){
  values_sum = values_sum + value
}
print(values_sum)
```

```
## [1] 55
```

```
print(sum(values))      # check that result is equal to sum(...)
```

```
## [1] 55
```

Putting it all together

```
filenames = list.files(path = "R06_notes_dataset")
for (filename in filenames){
  full_filename = paste("R06_notes_dataset", filename, sep="")
  print(full_filename)
}
```

```
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_1.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_10.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_11.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_12.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_13.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_14.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_15.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_16.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_17.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_18.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_19.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_2.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_20.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_21.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_22.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_23.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_24.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_25.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_26.csv"
## [1] "R06_notes_datasetR06_trial_27.csv"
```

```
filenames = list.files(path = "R06_notes_dataset")
first_full_filename = paste("R06_notes_dataset/", filenames[1], sep="")
df = read.csv(first_full_filename) # start off with first data set
for (filename in filenames[-1]){ # exclude first data set
  full_filename = paste("R06_notes_dataset/", filename, sep="") # construct name
  df_temp = read.csv(full_filename) # read in the current "temporary" data
  df = rbind(df, df_temp) # append current data
}
```


Remove the temporary data and **select** only relevant columns.

```
remove(df_temp)
```

```
df = df %>%  
  select(trial, TIMESTAMP, TRIAL_START_TIME, sound, condition, direction,  
         AVERAGE_GAZE_X, AVERAGE_GAZE_Y)
```

Inspecting the (huge) data

```
str(df)
```

```
## 'data.frame':    176784 obs. of  8 variables:
## $ trial          : int  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ TIMESTAMP      : num  2780484 2780486 2780488 2780490 2780492 ...
## $ TRIAL_START_TIME: int  2780484 2780484 2780484 2780484 2780484 2780484 2780484 2780484 2780484 2780484 ...
## $ sound          : chr  "sieden.wav" "sieden.wav" "sieden.wav" "sieden.wav" ...
## $ condition      : chr  "control" "control" "control" "control" ...
## $ direction      : chr  "null" "null" "null" "null" ...
## $ AVERAGE_GAZE_X : chr  "974.15" "972.35" "971.75" "971.80" ...
## $ AVERAGE_GAZE_Y : chr  "544.75" "544.75" "545.00" "545.10" ...
```

Issues:

Convert coordinates to numbers

```
as.numeric(df$AVERAGE_GAZE_X) %>% head()
```

```
## [1] 974.15 972.35 971.75 971.80 972.00 971.50
```

```
na_mask = as.numeric(df$AVERAGE_GAZE_X) %>% is.na()
df[na_mask, ] %>% head()
```

```
##      trial  TIMESTAMP TRIAL_START_TIME      sound condition direction
## 1510      1   2783502         2780484 sieden.wav   control      null
## 1511      1   2783504         2780484 sieden.wav   control      null
## 1512      1   2783506         2780484 sieden.wav   control      null
## 1513      1   2783508         2780484 sieden.wav   control      null
## 1514      1   2783510         2780484 sieden.wav   control      null
## 1515      1   2783512         2780484 sieden.wav   control      null
##      AVERAGE_GAZE_X AVERAGE_GAZE_Y
## 1510                .                .
## 1511                .                .
## 1512                .                .
## 1513                .                .
## 1514                .                .
## 1515                .                .
```

```
df$AVERAGE_GAZE_X = as.numeric(df$AVERAGE_GAZE_X)
df$AVERAGE_GAZE_Y = as.numeric(df$AVERAGE_GAZE_Y)
```

```
is.na(df) %>% head()
```

```
##      trial TIMESTAMP TRIAL_START_TIME sound condition direction AVERAGE_GAZE_X
## [1,] FALSE      FALSE                FALSE FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
## [2,] FALSE      FALSE                FALSE FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
## [3,] FALSE      FALSE                FALSE FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
## [4,] FALSE      FALSE                FALSE FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
## [5,] FALSE      FALSE                FALSE FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
## [6,] FALSE      FALSE                FALSE FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
##      AVERAGE_GAZE_Y
## [1,]      FALSE
## [2,]      FALSE
## [3,]      FALSE
## [4,]      FALSE
## [5,]      FALSE
## [6,]      FALSE
```

```
is.na(df) %>% sum()
```

```
## [1] 6866
```

```
df = na.omit(df)
is.na(df) %>% sum()
```

```
## [1] 0
```

```
xtabs(~ trial + condition, df)
```

```
##      condition
## trial control horizontal vertical
##    1      2291          0         0
##    2      2519          0         0
##    3      2532          0         0
##    4      2207          0         0
##    5      2366          0         0
##    6      2530          0         0
##    7      2519          0         0
##    8      2524          0         0
##    9      2530          0         0
##   10      2531          0         0
##   11      2517          0         0
##   12      2446          0         0
##   13      2530          0         0
##   14      2527          0         0
##   15      2524          0         0
##   16      2517          0         0
##   17      2533          0         0
##   18      2406          0         0
##   19      2530          0         0
##   20      2489          0         0
##   21      2404          0         0
##   22      2525          0         0
##   23      2435          0         0
##   24      2517          0         0
##   25      2524          0         0
##   26      2396          0         0
##   27      2530          0         0
##   28      2525          0         0
```



```
xtabs(~ condition + direction, df)
```

```
##           direction
## condition  down leftright  null  up
##   control      0         0 123856  0
##   horizontal    0      24778     0  0
##   vertical  14613         0     0 10068
```

Turn factors into factors

```
df$sound = as.factor(df$sound)
df$condition = as.factor(df$condition)
df$direction = as.factor(df$direction)
```

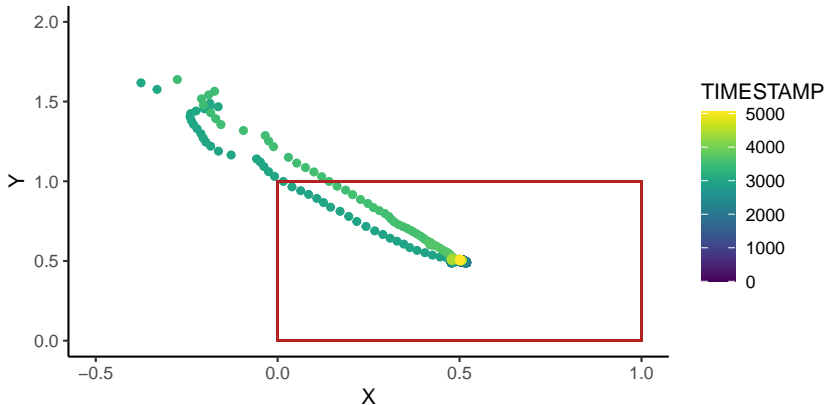
Normalize XY coordinates

```
min_X = 0      # customize to match window width!  
max_X = 1920   # customize to match window width!  
df$AVERAGE_GAZE_X = (df$AVERAGE_GAZE_X - min_X) / (max_X - min_X)  
  
min_Y = 0      # customize to match window height!  
max_Y = 1080   # customize to match window height!  
df$AVERAGE_GAZE_Y = (df$AVERAGE_GAZE_Y - min_Y) / (max_Y - min_Y)
```

Visualize a path

```
df_path = df %>%  
  filter(trial==1)  
  
df_path$TIMESTAMP = df_path$TIMESTAMP - df_path$TRIAL_START_TIME  
df_path$TIMESTAMP[1:20]  
  
## [1] 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 28 30 32 34 36 38
```

```
library(viridis)
ggplot(df_path, aes(x=AVERAGE_GAZE_X, y=AVERAGE_GAZE_Y)) +
  geom_point(aes(color=TIMESTAMP)) + xlim(-0.5, 1) + ylim(0, 2) +
  geom_rect(xmin=0, xmax=1, ymin=0, ymax=1, alpha=0.0, color="firebrick")+
  scale_color_viridis() + theme_classic() + labs(x="X", y="Y")
```



The eyetrackingR library

The library `eyetrackingR` provides numerous functions for common eye-tracking analyses. The documentation with many examples is hosted at <http://www.eyetracking-r.com/>. The library comes with an example data set `word_recognition`. That data comes from a 2-alternative forced choice word recognition task of infants who looked at animate vs. inanimate objects.

```
library(eyetrackingR)
data("word_recognition")
nrow(word_recognition)
```

```
## [1] 195912
```

```
colnames(word_recognition)
```

```
## [1] "ParticipantName"      "Sex"      "Age"
## [4] "TrialNum"            "Trial"     "TimeFromTrialOnset"
## [7] "Subphase"            "TimeFromSubphaseOnset" "AOI"
## [10] "Animate"              "Inanimate"  "TrackLoss"
## [13] "MCDI_Total"           "MCDI_Nouns" "MCDI_Verbs"
```

We can turn observational eye-tracking data into a well-specified format for eyetrackingR with the function `make_eyetrackingr_data`:

```
data = make_eyetrackingr_data(word_recognition,
                              participant_column = "ParticipantName",
                              trial_column = "Trial",
                              time_column = "TimeFromTrialOnset",
                              trackloss_column = "TrackLoss",
                              aoi_columns = c('Animate', 'Inanimate'),
                              treat_non_aoi_looks_as_missing = TRUE
)
```

More info is documented at
http://www.eyetracking-r.com/vignettes/preparing_your_data

A *response window analyses* assesses eye-movements in a fixed time window, e.g. between 15.5 and 21 seconds after the trial started:

```
response_window <- subset_by_window(data,  
                                     window_start_time = 15500,  
                                     window_end_time = 21000,  
                                     rezero = FALSE) # first frame in window = 0  
  
## Avg. window length in new data will be 5500
```


We can exclude trials that have more trackloss than a defined threshold:

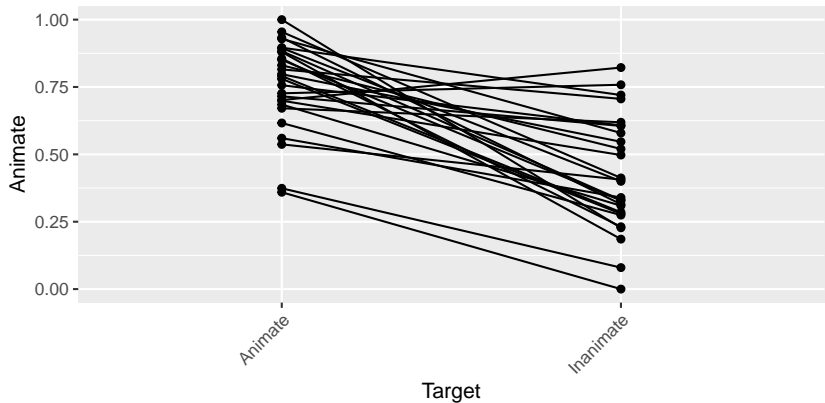
```
response_window_clean <- clean_by_trackloss(data = response_window,  
                                             trial_prop_thresh = .25)  
  
## Performing Trackloss Analysis...  
## Will exclude trials whose trackloss proportion is greater than : 0.25  
## ...removed 33 trials.
```

We recode the Target variable to give information on congruency with the instruction:

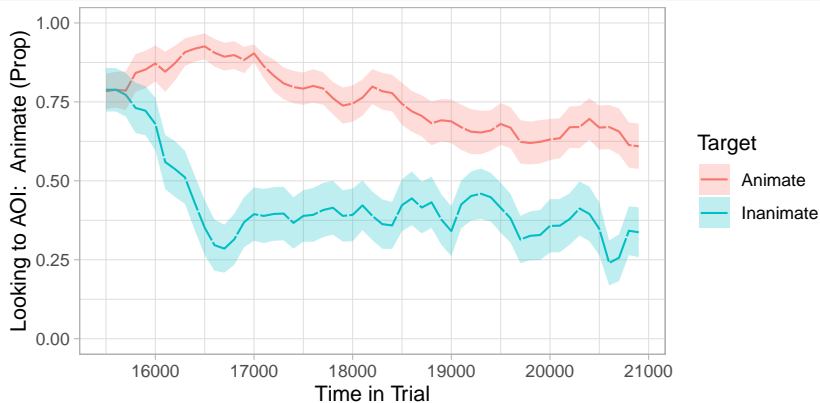
```
response_window_clean$Target = as.factor(  
  ifelse(test = grepl('(Spoon|Bottle)',  
                      response_window_clean$Trial),  
        yes = 'Inanimate',  
        no  = 'Animate') )
```

We can briefly visualize the average looking time at the animate objects depending on what object type was named:

```
data_summary = describe_data(response_window_clean, describe_column='Animate',  
plot(data_summary))
```



```
# aggregate across trials within subjects in time analysis
response_time = make_time_sequence_data(response_window_clean, time_bin_size=10
  predictor_columns = c("Target"), aois = "Animate")
# visualize time results
plot(response_time, predictor_column = "Target") +
  theme_light() + coord_cartesian(ylim = c(0,1))
```



Summary

- In order to read data from multiple input files, we can use a combination of
 - `list.files()` to dynamically find all files in a given directory,
 - `paste()` to construct the file names, and
 - `for`-loops to sequentially bind the individual files to a joint data frame.
- For visualization and statistical analyses, the `eyetrackingR` library implements numerous analyses
 - The data set needs to meet a defined format
 - You can use your acquired data manipulation skills (and Google) to prepare your data set accordingly