

# Fundamentals of R: Manipulating Dataframes

"selecting rows and columns" and More!

#### **Dataframe Topics**



- What are Dataframes?
- Selecting Rows at Random.
- Using Logical Conditions to Select Rows.
- Dealing with Missing Data.
- Using Row Names Instead of Row Numbers.
- Creating Dataframes from Other Object Types.
- Eliminating Duplicate Rows.
- Using the match () Function.
- Merging Two Dataframes.
- Adding Margins.
- Summarizing the Contents.

#### **Dataframes**



- A dataframe is an object with rows and columns.
- Columns represent variables.
- Rows represent observations.
- Response variables must all be in one column (stacked).

| > | head(worms)     | С    | olumn | s represent v |         |           |              |
|---|-----------------|------|-------|---------------|---------|-----------|--------------|
|   | •               | Area | Slope | Vegetation    | Soil.pH | _<br>Damp | Worm.density |
| 1 | Nashs.Field     | 3.6  | 11    | Grassland     | 4.1     | FALSE     | 4            |
| 2 | Silwood.Bottom  | 5.1  | 2     | Arable        | 5.2     | FALSE     | 7            |
| 3 | Nursery.Field   | 2.8  | 3     | Grassland     | 4.3     | FALSE     | 2            |
| 4 | Rush.Meadow     | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow        | 4.9     | TRUE      | 5            |
| 5 | Gunness.Thicket | 3.8  | 0     | Scrub         | 4.2     | FALSE     | 6            |
| 6 | Oak.Mead        | 3.1  | 2     | Grassland     | 3.9     | FALSE     | 2            |

#### **Importing Data**



- Can use read.table() or read.csv() functions.
- attach() makes the variables accessible by name.
- names () returns the variable (columns) names.

```
> worms <- read.table("c:\\temp\\worms.txt",header=T)
> attach(worms)
> names(worms)
[1] "Field.Name" "Area" "Slope" "Vegetation"
[5] "Soil.pH" "Damp" "Worm.density"
```

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- Key to working with dataframes is to understand working with subscripts (sometimes called indices):
- Rows referred to with left subscript, columns with right:

```
# fetches value of Soil.pH (column 5) in row 3:
> worms[3,5]
[1] 4.3
# use colon to generate a series of subscripts:
> worms[14:19,7]
[1] 0 6 8 4 5 1
# to fetch Area and Slope from rows from rows 1 to 5:
> worms[1:5,2:3]
 Area Slope
  3.6
          11
2 5.1 2
3 2.8
  2.4
  3.8
```



- To select all entries in a:
  - row, syntax is 'number comma blank'
  - column, syntax is 'blank comma number'.



Note that these two commands create objects of different classes:

```
> class(worms[3,])
[1] "data.frame"
> class(worms[,3])
[1] "integer"
```



Use subscripts to create sets of rows and/or columns:

```
> worms[,c(1,5)]
         Field.Name Soil.pH
                        4.1
        Nashs.Field
2
     Silwood.Bottom
                        5.2
3
                        4.3
      Nursery.Field
4
        Rush Meadow
                        4.9
    Gunness.Thicket 4.2
5
6
           Oak.Mead 3.9
                        4.2
       Church Field
8
                        4.8
            Ashurst
9
                        5.7
        The Orchard
10
                        5.0
      Rookery.Slope
11
        Garden.Wood
                        5.2
12
                        4.1
       North Gravel
13
       South.Gravel
                        4.0
                        3.8
  Observatory.Ridge
```

#### Selecting Rows at Random



Use sample () function, default replace = F to select a unique 8 of the 20 rows at random:

```
> worms[sample(1:20,8),]
        Field. Name Area Slope Vegetation Soil.pH Damp Worm.density
8
           Ashurst 2.1
                               Arable
                                         4.8 FALSE
                                                            4
  Observatory.Ridge 1.8
                          6 Grassland 3.8 FALSE
       South.Gravel 3.7
                          2 Grassland 4.0 FALSE
13
                          2 Grassland
          Oak.Mead 3.1
6
                                         3.9 FALSE
       Rush.Meadow 2.4
4
                               Meadow
                                        4.9 TRUE
     Silwood.Bottom 5.1
2
                               Arable 5.2 FALSE
       Nashs.Field 3.6
                         11 Grassland 4.1 FALSE
1
3
                            Grassland 4.3 FALSE
      Nursery.Field 2.8
                          3
```

#### Sorting Dataframes



Use order () function to sort by rows on basis of values

in one column:

Ties based on Slope = 0 in their original order

> worms[order(Slope),]

|    | Field.Name      | Area | Slope      | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp  | Worm.density |
|----|-----------------|------|------------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|
| 5  | Gunness.Thicket | 3.8  | 0          | Scrub      | 4.2     | FALSE | 6            |
| 8  | Ashurst         | 2.1  | 0          | Arable     | 4.8     | FALSE | 4            |
| 9  | The.Orchard     | 1.9  | 0          | Orchard    | 5.7     | FALSE | 9            |
| 15 | Pond.Field      | 4.1  | 0          | Meadow     | 5.0     | TRUE  | 6            |
| 16 | Water.Meadow    | 3.9  | 0          | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 8            |
| 12 | North.Gravel    | 3.3  | 1          | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 1            |
| 19 | Gravel.Pit      | 2.9  | 1          | Grassland  | 3.5     | FALSE | 1            |
| 2  | Silwood.Bottom  | 5.1  | 2          | Arable     | 5.2     | FALSE | 7            |
| 6  | Oak.Mead        | 3.1  | 2          | Grassland  | 3.9     | FALSE | 2            |
| 13 | South.Gravel    | 3.7  | 2          | Grassland  | 4.0     | FALSE | 2            |
| 18 | Pound.Hill      | 4.4  | <b>7</b> 2 | Arable     | 4.5     | FALSE | <b>⊅</b> ∩   |
| 3  | Nursery.Field   | 2.8  | 3          | Grassland  | 4.3     | FALSE | 2            |

#### Sorting Dataframes



Use rev() function outside the order() function to reverse the order:

```
> worms[rev(order(Slope)),]
         Field. Name Area Slope Vegetation Soil.pH Damp Worm.density
        Nashs.Field 3.6
                               Grassland
1
                                             4.1 FALSE
                           11
20
          Farm.Wood 0.8
                           10
                                                 TRUE
                                   Scrub
        Garden.Wood 2.9
11
                           10
                                   Scrub
                                             5.2 FALSE
          Cheapside 2.2
17
                                   Scrub
                                             4.7
                                                 TRUE
  Observatory.Ridge 1.8
                               Grassland
                                             3.8 FALSE
4
        Rush.Meadow 2.4
                                  Meadow
                                             4.9
                                                 TRUE
10
      Rookery.Slope 1.5
                               Grassland
                                             5.0 TRUE
       Church.Field 3.5
                               Grassland
                                             4.2 FALSE
3
      Nursery.Field
                     2.8
                               Grassland
                                             4.3 FALSE
```

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# Sorting Dataframes by Two Variables



Separate series of variable names by commas within the order () function:

> worms[order(Vegetation, Worm.density),] Field. Name Area Slope Vegetation Soil.pH Damp Worm.density 8 Ashurst 2.1 Arable 4.8 FALSE 4 18 Pound.Hill 4.4 2 Arable 4.5 FALSE 5 5.1 2 Silwood.Bottom 2 Arable 5.2 FALSE Observatory.Ridge 1.8 Grassland 3.8 FALSE 0 12 North.Gravel 3.3 Grassland 4.1 FALSE 1 19 Gravel.Pit 2.9 Grassland 3.5 FALSE 3 Nursery.Field 2.8 3 Grassland 4.3 FALSE 2 6 Oak.Mead 3.1 Grassland 3.9 FALSE 13 South.Gravel 3.7 2 Grassland 4.0 FALSE 2 3 7 3.5 3 Church Field Grassland 4.2 FALSE Nashs.Field 3.6 11 Grassland 1 4.1 FALSE Rookery.Slope 10 1.5 4 Grassland 5.0 TRUE Rush.Meadow 2.4 5 Meadow 4.9 TRUE 5

# Sorting Dataframes by Three Variables



Separate three variable names by commas within the order () function:

| > v | > worms[order(Vegetation, Worm.density, Soil.pH),] |      |       |            |         |       |              |    |  |  |
|-----|--|------|-------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|----|--|--|
|     | Field.Name   | Area | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp  | Worm.density |    |  |  |
| 8   | Ashurst  | 2.1  | 0     | Arable     | 4.8     | FALSE | 4            |    |  |  |
| 18  | Pound.Hill   | 4.4  | 2     | Arable     | 4.5     | FALSE | 5            |    |  |  |
| 2   | Silwood.Bottom                                     | 5.1  | 2     | Arable     | 5.2     | FALSE | 7            |    |  |  |
| 14  | Observatory.Ridge                                  | 1.8  | 6     | Grassland  | 3.8     | FALSE | 0            |    |  |  |
| 19  | Gravel.Pit   | 2.9  | 1     | Grassland  | 3.5     | FALSE | 1            |    |  |  |
| 12  | North.Gravel                                       | 3.3  | 1     | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 1            |    |  |  |
| 6   | Oak.Mead   | 3.1  | 2     | Grassland  | 3.9     | FALSE | 2            |    |  |  |
| 13  | South.Gravel                                       | 3.7  | 2     | Grassland  | 4.0     | FALSE | 2            |    |  |  |
| 3   | Nursery.Field                                      | 2.8  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.3     | FALSE | 2            |    |  |  |
| 7   | Church.Field                                       | 3.5  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.2     | FALSE | 3            |    |  |  |
| 1   | Nashs.Field  | 3.6  | 11    | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 4            | 10 |  |  |
| 10  | Rookery.Slope                                      | 1.5  | 4     | Grassland  | 5.0     | TRUE  | 7            | 13 |  |  |
| 4   | Rush.Meadow  | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 5            |    |  |  |
| 15  | Pond.Field   | 4.1  | 0     | Meadow     | 5.0     | TRUE  | 6            |    |  |  |

### Sorting Dataframes with Select Columns



Sort dataframe with select columns:

Meadow

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> worms[order(Vegetation, Worm.density),c(4,7,5,3)] Vegetation Worm.density Soil.pH Slope 8 Arable 4.8 4 18 Arable 5 4.5 Arable 5.2 14 Grassland 3.8 4.1 12 Grassland 3.5 19 1 Grassland 4.3 3 Grassland 3.9 Grassland 4.0 13 Grassland 4.2 Grassland Grassland 4.1 4 11 5.0 10 Grassland 4

5

4.9

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### **Using Logical Conditions to Select Rows**



- Select rows with damp fields.
- Syntax for logical subscripts is: ['which rows', blank].

T is not enclosed in quotes (e.g. 'T')

> worms[Damp==T,

|    | Field.Name    | Area | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp | Worm.density |
|----|---------------|------|-------|------------|---------|------|--------------|
| 4  | Rush.Meadow   | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE | 5            |
| 10 | Rookery.Slope | 1.5  | 4     | Grassland  | 5.0     | TRUE | 7            |
| 15 | Pond.Field    | 4.1  | 0     | Meadow     | 5.0     | TRUE | 6            |
| 16 | Water.Meadow  | 3.9  | 0     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE | 8            |
| 17 | Cheapside     | 2.2  | 8     | Scrub      | 4.7     | TRUE | 4            |
| 20 | Farm.Wood     | 0.8  | 10    | Scrub      | 5.1     | TRUE | 3            |

### Using Logical Conditions to Select Rows



Want rows where Worm.density is higher than the median and Soil.pH was less than 5.2:

```
> worms[Worm.density > median(Worm.density) & Soil.pH < 5.2,]</pre>
       Field. Name Area Slope Vegetation Soil.pH Damp Worm.density
4
      Rush.Meadow 2.4
                          5
                                Meadow
                                          4.9
                                               TRUE
                                                              5
  Gunness.Thicket 3.8
5
                                 Scrub
                                          4.2 FALSE
                                                              6
    Rookery.Slope 1.5
10
                            Grassland 5.0
                                                              7
                                               TRUE
15
       Pond.Field 4.1
                               Meadow 5.0
                          0
                                                              6
                                               TRUE
     Water.Meadow 3.9
16
                               Meadow 4.9 TRUE
                                                              8
       Pound.Hill 4.4
18
                                Arable 4.5 FALSE
                                                              5
```

# Using Logical Conditions to Select Rows



Only want columns that contain numbers:

```
> worms[,sapply(worms,is.numeric)]
  Area Slope Soil.pH Worm.density
   3.6
        11
              4.1
                          4
   5.1 2 5.2
  2.8 3 4.3
  2.4 5 4.9
  3.8 0 4.2
  3.1 2 3.9
  3.5
            4.2
  2.1
           4.8
8
   1.9
            5.7
   1.5
              5.0
10
         4
   2.9
11
            5.2
        10
                          8
   3.3
              4.1
12
         1
13
  3.7
           4.0
                          2
14
   1.8
         6
              3.8
15
   4.1
              5.0
```

# Using Logical Conditions to Select Rows



Or perhaps only want columns that contain factors:

```
> worms[,sapply(worms,is.factor)]
          Field. Name Vegetation
         Nashs.Field Grassland
1
                          Arable
      Silwood.Bottom
3
       Nursery.Field Grassland
         Rush Meadow
                         Meadow
4
5
     Gunness.Thicket
                           Scrub
6
            Oak.Mead Grassland
        Church.Field Grassland
8
                         Arable
             Ashurst
9
         The Orchard
                         Orchard
10
       Rookery.Slope
                     Grassland
11
         Garden.Wood
                           Scrub
12
        North.Gravel
                      Grassland
13
        South.Gravel
                      Grassland
  Observatory.Ridge Grassland
15
          Pond. Field
                         Meadow
```

# Use Negative Subscripts to Drop Rows



To drop a row or rows, use negative subscripts:

```
> worms[-(6:15),]
       Field. Name Area Slope Vegetation Soil.pH Damp Worm.density
      Nashs.Field 3.6
                        11
                            Grassland
1
                                         4.1 FALSE
                                                            4
   Silwood.Bottom 5.1
                                         5.2 FALSE
                               Arable
    Nursery.Field 2.8
3
                         3
                            Grassland
                                         4.3 FALSE
                                                            2
      Rush.Meadow 2.4
                         5
                               Meadow
                                         4.9
                                                            5
4
                                             TRUE
  Gunness.Thicket 3.8
                                         4.2 FALSE
                                Scrub
                                                            6
                                         4.9
16
     Water.Meadow 3.9
                               Meadow
                                                            8
                                             TRUE
        Cheapside 2.2
17
                                Scrub
                                         4.7
                                             TRUE
                                                            4
18
       Pound.Hill 4.4
                         2
                               Arable
                                         4.5 FALSE
                                                            5
19
       Gravel.Pit 2.9
                         1
                            Grassland
                                         3.5 FALSE
                                                            1
        Farm.Wood 0.8
                                                            3
20
                        10
                                Scrub
                                         5.1
                                             TRUE
```

#### Use Logical Symbol! NOT to Exclude Rows

Select all rows that are **not** Grasslands (the logical symbol ! means NOT):

```
> worms[!(Vegetation=="Grassland"),]
        Field. Name Area Slope Vegetation Soil.pH Damp Worm.density
                                                                    7
    Silwood.Bottom
                   5.1
                            2
                                  Arable
                                              5.2 FALSE
       Rush.Meadow 2.4
                            5
                                  Meadow
                                              4.9
                                                                    5
4
                                                   TRUE
5
   Gunness. Thicket 3.8
                                    Scrub
                                              4.2 FALSE
                                                                    6
           Ashurst 2.1
                                  Arable
                                              4.8 FALSE
8
                            0
       The Orchard 1.9
                                  Orchard
9
                            0
                                              5.7 FALSE
                                                                    9
       Garden.Wood 2.9
11
                           10
                                    Scrub
                                              5.2 FALSE
                                                                    8
        Pond.Field 4.1
15
                                  Meadow
                                              5.0
                            0
                                                   TRUE
                                                                    6
16
      Water.Meadow 3.9
                            0
                                  Meadow
                                              4.9
                                                   TRUE
                                                                    8
17
         Cheapside 2.2
                            8
                                    Scrub
                                              4.7
                                                   TRUE
                                                                    4
18
        Pound. Hill
                   4.4
                            2
                                  Arable
                                              4.5 FALSE
                                                                    5
20
                                              5.1
         Farm.Wood
                    0.8
                           10
                                    Scrub
                                                   TRUE
```

# Use which () Function to Exclude Rows



- Can use which () function coupled with minus sign.
- These statements are all equivalent:

```
> worms[!Damp==F,]
> worms[Damp==T,]
> worms[-which(Damp==F),]
     Field. Name Area Slope Vegetation Soil.pH Damp Worm.density
    Rush.Meadow 2.4
                        5
                              Meadow
                                         4.9 TRUE
                                                            5
  Rookery.Slope 1.5
                           Grassland
                                         5.0 TRUE
     Pond.Field 4.1
15
                        0
                              Meadow 5.0 TRUE
                                                            6
   Water.Meadow 3.9
16
                              Meadow
                                        4.9 TRUE
17
      Cheapside 2.2
                               Scrub
                                         4.7 TRUE
20
      Farm. Wood 0.8
                       10
                               Scrub
                                         5.1 TRUE
                                                            3
```

# Omitting Rows with Missing Data



- Read in sister worms.missing.txt dataframe (with missing data):
- > data <- read.table("c:\\temp\\worms.missing.txt",header=T)</pre>
- > data

|   | Field.Name      | Area | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp  | Worm.density |
|---|-----------------|------|-------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|
| 1 | Nashs.Field     | 3.6  | 11    | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 4            |
| 2 | Silwood.Bottom  | 5.1  | NA    | Arable     | 5.2     | FALSE | 7            |
| 3 | Nursery.Field   | 2.8  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.3     | FALSE | 2            |
| 4 | Rush.Meadow     | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 5            |
| 5 | Gunness.Thicket | 3.8  | 0     | Scrub      | 4.2     | FALSE | 6            |
| 6 | Oak.Mead        | 3.1  | 2     | Grassland  | 3.9     | FALSE | 2            |
| 7 | Church.Field    | 3.5  | 3     | Grassland  | NA      | NA    | NA           |
| 8 | Ashurst         | 2.1  | 0     | Arable     | 4.8     | FALSE | 4            |

# Omitting Rows with Missing Data



Omit rows with missing data:

> na.omit(data)

|    | Field.Name      | Area | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp  | Worm.density |
|----|-----------------|------|-------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|
| 1  | Nashs.Field     | 3.6  | 11    | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 4            |
| 3  | Nursery.Field   | 2.8  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.3     | FALSE | 2            |
| 4  | Rush.Meadow     | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 5            |
| 5  | Gunness.Thicket | 3.8  | 0     | Scrub      | 4.2     | FALSE | 6            |
| 6  | Oak.Mead        | 3.1  | 2     | Grassland  | 3.9     | FALSE | 2            |
| 8  | Ashurst         | 2.1  | 0     | Arable     | 4.8     | FALSE | 4            |
| 9  | The.Orchard     | 1.9  | 0     | Orchard    | 5.7     | FALSE | 9            |
| 10 | Rookery.Slope   | 1.5  | 4     | Grassland  | 5.0     | TRUE  | 7            |
| 11 | Garden.Wood     | 2.9  | 10    | Scrub      | 5.2     | FALSE | 8            |
| 12 | North.Gravel    | 3.3  | 1     | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 1            |
| 13 | South.Gravel    | 3.7  | 2     | Grassland  | 4.0     | FALSE | 2            |
|    |                 |      |       |            |         |       |              |

# **Checking for Missing Data**



- To check for missing data across rows:
- > complete.cases(data)
  - [1] TRUE FALSE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE TRUE TRUE TRUE
- What you want is to check individual cells and variables:

```
> apply(apply(data,2,is.na),2,sum)
```

| Field.Name | Area | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp | Worm.density |
|------------|------|-------|------------|---------|------|--------------|
| 0          | 1    | 1     | 0          | 1       | 1    | 1            |

> apply(data,2,is.na)

|      | Field.Name | Area  | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp  | Worm.density |
|------|------------|-------|-------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|
| [1,] | FALSE      | FALSE | FALSE | FALSE      | FALSE   | FALSE | FALSE        |
| [2,] | FALSE      | FALSE | TRUE  | 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        |

# Omitting Rows with Missing Data



- Equivalent command to na.omit(data):
- > data[complete.cases(data),]

|    | Field.Name      | Area | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp  | Worm.density |
|----|-----------------|------|-------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|
| 1  | Nashs.Field     | 3.6  | 11    | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 4            |
| 3  | Nursery.Field   | 2.8  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.3     | FALSE | 2            |
| 4  | Rush.Meadow     | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 5            |
| 5  | Gunness.Thicket | 3.8  | 0     | Scrub      | 4.2     | FALSE | 6            |
| 6  | Oak.Mead        | 3.1  | 2     | Grassland  | 3.9     | FALSE | 2            |
| 8  | Ashurst         | 2.1  | 0     | Arable     | 4.8     | FALSE | 4            |
| 9  | The.Orchard     | 1.9  | 0     | Orchard    | 5.7     | FALSE | 9            |
| 10 | Rookery.Slope   | 1.5  | 4     | Grassland  | 5.0     | TRUE  | 7            |
| 11 | Garden.Wood     | 2.9  | 10    | Scrub      | 5.2     | FALSE | 8            |
| 12 | North.Gravel    | 3.3  | 1     | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 1            |
| 13 | South.Gravel    | 3.7  | 2     | Grassland  | 4.0     | FALSE | 2            |

# Using order () and !duplicated () to Eliminate Pseudoreplication

Want one record for each vegetation type which also has the greatest worm density:

```
> new <- worms[rev(order(Worm.density)),]</pre>
> !duplicated(new$Vegetation)
 [11]
     TRUE
           TRUE
                 TRUE
                       TRUE
                             TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[11] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
> new[!duplicated(new$Vegetation),]
      Field.Name Area Slope Vegetation Soil.pH Damp Worm.density
                                           5.7 FALSE
9
     The Orchard
                  1.9
                          0
                               Orchard
                                                                9
16
    Water.Meadow 3.9
                          0
                                Meadow 4.9
                                                TRUE
     Garden.Wood 2.9
11
                         10
                                 Scrub 5.2 FALSE
                                                                8
   Rookery.Slope 1.5
10
                          4
                             Grassland 5.0
                                                TRUE
   Silwood, Bottom 5.1
                          2
                                Arable 5.2 FALSE
```

#### Complex Ordering with Mixed Directions



Want vegetation sorted a to z but worm density high to low:

Field Name Area Slope Vegetation Soil pH Damp Worm density

> worms[order(Vegetation,-Worm.density),]

|    | rieid. Name       | Area | эторе | vegetation | SOII.pn | Danip | worm.density | Y   |
|----|-------------------|------|-------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|-----|
| 2  | Silwood.Bottom    | 5.1  | 2     | Arable     | 5.2     | FALSE | -            | 7   |
| 18 | Pound.Hill        | 4.4  | 2     | Arable     | 4.5     | FALSE | į            | 5   |
| 8  | Ashurst           | 2.1  | 0     | Arable     | 4.8     | FALSE | 4            | 4   |
| 10 | Rookery.Slope     | 1.5  | 4     | Grassland  | 5.0     | TRUE  | 7            | 7   |
| 1  | Nashs.Field       | 3.6  | 11    | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 4            | 4   |
| 7  | Church.Field      | 3.5  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.2     | FALSE | 3            | 3   |
| 3  | Nursery.Field     | 2.8  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.3     | FALSE | 2            | 2   |
| 6  | Oak.Mead          | 3.1  | 2     | Grassland  | 3.9     | FALSE | 2            | 2   |
| 13 | South.Gravel      | 3.7  | 2     | Grassland  | 4.0     | FALSE | 2            | 2   |
| 12 | North.Gravel      | 3.3  | 1     | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 1            | 1   |
| 19 | Gravel.Pit        | 2.9  | 1     | Grassland  | 3.5     | FALSE | 1            | 1   |
| 14 | Observatory.Ridge | 1.8  | 6     | Grassland  | 3.8     | FALSE | (            | 0   |
| 16 | Water.Meadow      | 3.9  | 0     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 8            | B27 |
| 15 | Pond.Field        | 4.1  | 0     | Meadow     | 5.0     | TRUE  |              | 6   |
| 4  | Rush.Meadow       | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | Ę            | 5   |
|    |                   |      |       |            |         |       |              |     |

#### Complex Ordering with Mixed Directions



Want vegetation sorted z to a but worm density high to low:

Field.Name Area Slope Vegetation Soil.pH Damp Worm.density

> worms[order(-rank(Vegetation),-Worm.density),]

|    |                 |     | -  | _         | -   | -     | 4   |
|----|-----------------|-----|----|-----------|-----|-------|-----|
| 11 | Garden.Wood     | 2.9 | 10 | Scrub     | 5.2 | FALSE | 8   |
| 5  | Gunness.Thicket | 3.8 | 0  | Scrub     | 4.2 | FALSE | 6   |
| 17 | Cheapside       | 2.2 | 8  | Scrub     | 4.7 | TRUE  | 4   |
| 20 | Farm.Wood       | 0.8 | 10 | Scrub     | 5.1 | TRUE  | 3   |
| 9  | The.Orchard     | 1.9 | 0  | Orchard   | 5.7 | FALSE | 9   |
| 16 | Water.Meadow    | 3.9 | 0  | Meadow    | 4.9 | TRUE  | 8   |
| 15 | Pond.Field      | 4.1 | 0  | Meadow    | 5.0 | TRUE  | 6   |
| 4  | Rush.Meadow     | 2.4 | 5  | Meadow    | 4.9 | TRUE  | 5   |
| 10 | Rookery.Slope   | 1.5 | 4  | Grassland | 5.0 | TRUE  | 7   |
| 1  | Nashs.Field     | 3.6 | 11 | Grassland | 4.1 | FALSE | 4   |
| 7  | Church.Field    | 3.5 | 3  | Grassland | 4.2 | FALSE | 3   |
| 3  | Nursery.Field   | 2.8 | 3  | Grassland | 4.3 | FALSE | 2   |
| 6  | Oak.Mead        | 3.1 | 2  | Grassland | 3.9 | FALSE | 228 |
| 13 | South.Gravel    | 3.7 | 2  | Grassland | 4.0 | FALSE | 2   |
| 12 | North.Gravel    | 3.3 | 1  | Grassland | 4.1 | FALSE | 1   |

# Selecting Columns by Logical Operations



"Vegetation"

Want columns with 'S' (upper-case) in name:

"Slope"

"Worm.density"

```
> names(worms)
[1] "Field.Name" "Area"
[5] "Soil.pH"
             "Damp"
> grep("S",names(worms))
[1] 3 5
> worms[,grep("S",names(worms))]
  Slope Soil.pH
     11
            4.1
1
        5.2
         4.3
         4.9
         4.2
5
      2
         3.9
6
          4.2
          4.8
8
      0
      0
            5.7
            5.0
10
```

#### **Using Row Names**

- Instead of Row Numbers
- Want 1<sup>st</sup> column (names of fields) to be row names:
- > detach(worms)

South.Gravel

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- > worms <- read.table("c:\\temp\\worms.txt", header=T, row.names=1)</pre>
- > worms

|                 | Area | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp  | Worm.density |  |
|-----------------|------|-------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|--|
| Nashs.Field     | 3.6  | 11    | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 4            |  |
| Silwood.Bottom  | 5.1  | 2     | Arable     | 5.2     | FALSE | 7            |  |
| Nursery.Field   | 2.8  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.3     | FALSE | 2            |  |
| Rush.Meadow     | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 5            |  |
| Gunness.Thicket | 3.8  | 0     | Scrub      | 4.2     | FALSE | 6            |  |
| Oak.Mead        | 3.1  | 2     | Grassland  | 3.9     | FALSE | 2            |  |
| Church.Field    | 3.5  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.2     | FALSE | 3            |  |
| Ashurst         | 2.1  | 0     | Arable     | 4.8     | FALSE | 4            |  |
| The.Orchard     | 1.9  | 0     | Orchard    | 5.7     | FALSE | 9            |  |
| Rookery.Slope   | 1.5  | 4     | Grassland  | 5.0     | TRUE  | 7            |  |
| Garden.Wood     | 2.9  | 10    | Scrub      | 5.2     | FALSE | 8            |  |
| North.Gravel    | 3.3  | 1     | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 1            |  |

Grassland

4.0 FALSE

# **Creating Dataframes**From Other Object Types

Bind (and coerce) three vectors into dataframe:

```
> x <- runif(10)
> y <- letters[1:10]
> z <- sample (c(rep(T,5), rep(F,5)))
> new <- data.frame(y,z,x); new</pre>
         Z
  a TRUE 0.65006333
  b TRUE 0.42238742
3 c FALSE 0.01974397
4 d TRUE 0.49122287
5 e FALSE 0.51144160
6 f FALSE 0.04860806
7 g FALSE 0.27856008
  h FALSE 0.69728709
9 i TRUE 0.24273183
10 j TRUE 0.05636418
```

# Creating Dataframes From Other Object Types

Create Poisson count in table and convert to dataframe:

```
> y < - rpois(1500, 1.5)
> table(y); y
         2 3 4 5 6 7
 0
313 515 387 186
                68
                    22
> as.data.frame(table(y))
 y Freq
    313
2 1 515
3 2 387
4 3 186
    68
6 5 22
```

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#### Eliminating **Duplicate Rows**



Can use unique() function to strip out duplicate rows:

```
> dups <- read.table("c:\\temp\\dups.txt",header=T); dups</pre>
 cow dog cat bat
2 1 2 2 1
3 3 2 1 1
4 4 4 2 1
5 3 2 1 1
   6 1 2 5
> unique(dups)
 cow dog cat bat
   1 2 2 1
2
   3 2 1 1
   4 4 2
            1
```

#### Using the match () Function



- worms contains five unique vegetation types:
- > unique(worms\$Vegetation)

```
[1] Grassland Arable
                        Meadow
                                   Scrub
                                             Orchard
```

Levels: Arable Grassland Meadow Orchard Scrub

- We want to know appropriate herbicides to use in each of 20 fields:
- > herbicides <- read.table("c:\\temp\\herbicides.txt",header=T)</pre>
- > herbicides

Grassland

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```
Type Herbicide
    Woodland
              Fusilade
     Conifer Weedwipe
3
      Arable Twinspan
        Hill
              Weedwipe
5
     Bracken
             Fusilade
       Scrub Weedwipe
```

Allclear

# Using the match () Function



- Notice two vectors in match ()
- > herbicides\$Herbicide[match (worms\$Vegetation, herbicides\$Type)]
  - [1] Allclear Twinspan Allclear Propinol Weedwipe Allclear Allclear
  - [8] Twinspan Fusilade Allclear Weedwipe Allclear Allclear
- [15] Propinol Propinol Weedwipe Twinspan Allclear Weedwipe

Levels: Allclear Fusilade Propinol Twinspan Vanquish Weedwipe

#### Could add this information as a new column in worms

- > worms\$hb <- herbicides\$Herbicide[match(worms\$Vegetation,herbicides\$Type)]</pre>
- > worms

|   | Field.Name      | Area | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp  | Worm.density | hb       |
|---|-----------------|------|-------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|----------|
| 1 | Nashs.Field     | 3.6  | 11    | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 4            | Allclear |
| 2 | Silwood.Bottom  | 5.1  | 2     | Arable     | 5.2     | FALSE | 7            | Twinspan |
| 3 | Nursery.Field   | 2.8  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.3     | FALSE | 2            | Allclear |
| 4 | Rush.Meadow     | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 5            | Propinol |
| 5 | Gunness.Thicket | 3.8  | 0     | Scrub      | 4.2     | FALSE | 6            | Weedwipe |
| 6 | Oak.Mead        | 3.1  | 2     | Grassland  | 3.9     | FALSE | 2            | Allclear |
| 7 | Church.Field    | 3.5  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.2     | FALSE | 3            | Allclear |

# Using the match () Function



#### Or create a new dataframe recs with all fields:

> recs <- data.frame(worms, hb=herbicides\$Herbicide[match(worms\$Vegetation, herbicides\$Type)])

> recs

|    | Field.Name        | Area | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp  | Worm.density | hb       | hb.1     |
|----|-------------------|------|-------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|----------|----------|
| 1  | Nashs.Field       | 3.6  | 11    | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 4            | Allclear | Allclear |
| 2  | Silwood.Bottom    | 5.1  | 2     | Arable     | 5.2     | FALSE | 7            | Twinspan | Twinspan |
| 3  | Nursery.Field     | 2.8  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.3     | FALSE | 2            | Allclear | Allclear |
| 4  | Rush.Meadow       | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 5            | Propinol | Propinol |
| 5  | Gunness.Thicket   | 3.8  | 0     | Scrub      | 4.2     | FALSE | 6            | Weedwipe | Weedwipe |
| 6  | Oak.Mead          | 3.1  | 2     | Grassland  | 3.9     | FALSE | 2            | Allclear | Allclear |
| 7  | Church.Field      | 3.5  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.2     | FALSE | 3            | Allclear | Allclear |
| 8  | Ashurst           | 2.1  | 0     | Arable     | 4.8     | FALSE | 4            | Twinspan | Twinspan |
| 9  | The.Orchard       | 1.9  | 0     | Orchard    | 5.7     | FALSE | 9            | Fusilade | Fusilade |
| 10 | Rookery.Slope     | 1.5  | 4     | Grassland  | 5.0     | TRUE  | 7            | Allclear | Allclear |
| 11 | Garden.Wood       | 2.9  | 10    | Scrub      | 5.2     | FALSE | 8            | Weedwipe | Weedwipe |
| 12 | North.Gravel      | 3.3  | 1     | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 1            | Allclear | Allclear |
| 13 | South.Gravel      | 3.7  | 2     | Grassland  | 4.0     | FALSE | 2            | Allclear | Allclear |
| 14 | Observatory.Ridge | 1.8  | 6     | Grassland  | 3.8     | FALSE | 0            | Allclear | Allclear |
| 15 | Pond.Field        | 4.1  | 0     | Meadow     | 5.0     | TRUE  | 6            | Propinol | Propinol |
| 16 | Water.Meadow      | 3.9  | 0     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 8            | Propinol | Propinol |
| 17 | Cheapside         | 2.2  | 8     | Scrub      | 4.7     | TRUE  | 4            | Weedwipe | Weedwipe |
| 18 | Pound.Hill        | 4.4  | 2     | Arable     | 4.5     | FALSE | 5            | Twinspan | Twinspan |

#### Merging Two Dataframes



Two dataframes sharing variables genus and species:

```
> (lifeforms <- read.table("c:\\temp\\lifeforms.txt",header=T))</pre>
             species lifeform
   Genus
    Acer platanoides
                           tree
    Acer
            palmatum
                          tree
   Aiuga
              reptans
                          herb
                        annual
  Conyza sumatrensis
                          herb
  Lamium
                album
> (flowering <- read.table("c:\\temp\\fltimes.txt",header=T))</pre>
                   species flowering
      Genus
       Acer
               platanoides
                                  May
      Ajuga
                   reptans
                                 June
   Brassica
                                April
                     napus
  Chamerion angustifolium
                                 July
                 bilbaoana
5
     Conyza
                               August
                     album
6
     Lamium
                              January
```

## Merging Two Dataframes



- With identical variable names, can use merge():
- > merge(flowering,lifeforms)

```
Genus species flowering lifeform

1 Acer platanoides May tree

2 Ajuga reptans June herb

3 Lamium album January herb
```

 Important point is that merged dataframe only contains those rows which had complete entries in both dataframes.

### Merging Two Dataframes



■ If want to include all species with NA's inserted when flowering times or lifeforms are unknown, use all=T.

```
> (both <- merge(flowering,lifeforms(all=T))</pre>
                  species flowering lifeform
      Genus
1
             platanoides
       Acer
                                 May
                                          tree
                 palmatum
                                <NA>
       Acer
                                         tree
                                         herb
      Ajuga
                  reptans
                                June
   Brassica
                               April
                                        <NA>
                    napus
  Chamerion angustifolium
                                July
                                       <NA>
6
                bilbaoana
                              August
                                         <NA>
     Conyza
     Convza sumatrensis
                                <NA>
                                       annual
     Lamium
                    album
                             January
                                         herb
```

# Merging Two Dataframes with Synonym Variables



- 'Seeds' dataframe with same variables but with different names (e.g. synonyms).
  - Variable Genus is 'name1' and variable species is 'name2'.

```
> (seeds <- read.table("c:\\temp\\seedwts.txt",header=T))</pre>
                    name2 seed
      name1
       Acer platanoides 32.0
     Lamium
                    album 12.0
                  reptans 4.0
3
      Ajuga
  Chamerion angustifolium 1.5
                bilbaoana 0.5
5
     Conyza
                    napus 7.0
   Brassica
       Acer
                 palmatum 21.0
              sumatrensis 0.6
8
     Conyza
```

# Merging Two Dataframes with Synonym Variables



Let's do a simple merge ()

> merge(both, seeds)

|    | Genus     | species               | flowering | lifeform  | name1  | name2       | seed |
|----|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|-------------|------|
| 1  | Acer      | platanoides           | May       | tree      | Acer   | platanoides | 32.0 |
| 2  | Acer      | palmatum              | <na></na> | tree      | Acer   | platanoides | 32.0 |
| 3  | Ajuga     | reptans               | June      | herb      | Acer   | platanoides | 32.0 |
| 4  | Brassica  | napus                 | April     | <na></na> | Acer   | platanoides | 32.0 |
| 5  | Chamerion | ${\tt angustifolium}$ | July      | <na></na> | Acer   | platanoides | 32.0 |
| 6  | Conyza    | bilbaoana             | August    | <na></na> | Acer   | platanoides | 32.0 |
| 7  | Conyza    | sumatrensis           | <na></na> | annual    | Acer   | platanoides | 32.0 |
| 8  | Lamium    | album                 | January   | herb      | Acer   | platanoides | 32.0 |
| 9  | Acer      | platanoides           | May       | tree      | Lamium | album       | 12.0 |
| 10 | Acer      | palmatum              | <na></na> | tree      | Lamium | album       | 12.0 |
| 11 | Ajuga     | reptans               | June      | herb      | Lamium | album       | 12.0 |
| 12 | Brassica  | napus                 | April     | <na></na> | Lamium | album       | 12.0 |
| 13 | Chamerion | angustifolium         | July      | <na></na> | Lamium | album       | 12.0 |
| 14 | Conyza    | bilbaoana             | August    | <na></na> | Lamium | album       | 12.0 |

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# Merging Two Dataframes with Synonym Variables



Need to inform merge () of synonyms:

> merge(both, seeds, by.x=c("Genus", "species"), by.y=c("name1", "name2"))

|   | Genus             | species               | flowering | lifeform  | seed |   |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|------|---|
| 1 | Acer              | palmatum              | <na></na> | tree      | 21.0 |   |
| 2 | Acer              | platanoides           | May       | tree      | 32.0 |   |
| 3 | Ajuga             | reptans               | June      | herb      | 4.0  |   |
| 4 | Brassica          | napus                 | April     | <na></na> | 7.0  |   |
| 5 | ${\tt Chamerion}$ | ${\tt angustifolium}$ | July      | <na></na> | 1.5  |   |
| 6 | Conyza            | bilbaoana             | August    | <na></na> | 0.5  |   |
| 7 | Conyza            | sumatrensis           | <na></na> | annual    | 0.6  |   |
| 8 | Lamium            | album                 | January   | herb      | 12.0 | • |

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#### **Adding Margins**



#### Dataframe showing sales by season and by person:

```
> frame <- read.table("c:\\temp\\sales.txt",header=T); frame</pre>
            name spring summer autumn winter
1
      Jane. Smith
                    14
                           18
                                 11
                                        12
2
    Robert.Jones
                    17 18
                                 10
                                        13
     Dick.Rogers 12 16
3
                                        14
 William.Edwards
                    15 14
                                 11
                                        10
5
                    11
                           17
                                 11
                                        16
     Janet.Jones
```

```
> people <- rowMeans(frame[,2:5]); people
[1] 13.75 14.50 12.75 12.50 13.75
```

```
> people <- people-mean(people); people
[1] 0.30 1.05 -0.70 -0.95 0.30</pre>
```



Want to add column showing peoples' departure from mean

## Adding Margins: New Column



- Dataframe showing sales by season and by person:
- > ## Add new column using cbind():
- > (new.frame <- cbind(frame,people))</pre>

```
name spring summer autumn winter people
1
      Jane. Smith
                      14
                             18
                                    11
                                           12
                                                0.30
                             18
                                    10
                                                1.05
    Robert Jones
                      17
                                           13
     Dick.Rogers
3
                      12
                            16
                      15
                            14
                                11
 William . Edwards
                                               -0.95
                      11
                             17
                                    11
                                                0.30
5
     Janet.Jones
```

Robert Jones is most effective sales person



Calculate column means the same way:

> seasons <- colMeans(frame[,2:5]); seasons

```
spring summer autumn winter
 13.8 16.6 10.4 13.0
> seasons <- seasons-mean(seasons); seasons</pre>
spring summer autumn winter
 0.35 3.15 -3.05 -0.45
> ## Can't use rbind so we make a copy
> ## of one of the rows of the new dataframe:
> new.row <- new.frame[1,]; new.row</pre>
       name spring summer autumn winter people
1 Jane.Smith
                14 18
                              11
                                     12
```



- And then we edit the new row:
- > new.row[2:5] <- seasons; new.row #edit row to show mean diffs name spring summer autumn winter people
- 1 seasonal effects 0.35 3.15 -3.05 -0.45 0.3
- - U



Now we can use rbind() to add row to bottom:

```
(new.frame <- rbind(new.frame,new.row))</pre>
             name spring summer autumn winter people
1
                                                0.30
        Jane.Smith
                    14.00
                          18.00
                                  11.00
                                         12.00
2
      Robert.Jones 17.00
                          18.00
                                 10.00
                                         13.00
                                                1.05
3
      Dick.Rogers 12.00
                          16.00 9.00
                                         14.00
                                                -0.70
4
  William.Edwards 15.00
                          14.00
                                 11.00
                                        10.00
                                                -0.95
5
       Janet.Jones
                   11.00
                          17.00
                                  11.00
                                         16.00
                                                0.30
                           3.15
                                         -0.45
                                                 0.00
6 seasonal effects
                    0.35
                                  -3.05
```



Replace counts of sales by departures from overall mean sale per person per season:

```
> qm <- mean(unlist(new.frame[1:5,2:5])); qm</pre>
[1] 13.45
> gm < - rep(gm,4); gm
[1] 13.45 13.45 13.45 13.45
> new.frame[1:5,2:5] <- sweep(new.frame[1:5,2:5],2,gm); new.frame
             name spring summer autumn winter people
                         4.55 -2.45 -1.45 0.30
1
       Jane.Smith 0.55
2
     Robert.Jones 3.55 | 4.55 | -3.45 | -0.45 | 1.05
      Dick.Rogers -1.45 2.55 -4.45 0.55 -0.70
3
  William.Edwards 1.55 0.55 -2.45 -3.45 -0.95
4
      Janet.Jones -2.45 3.55 -2.45 2.55 0.30
5
6 seasonal effects 0.35
                          3.15 -3.05 -0.45 0.00
```

# worms (again): Summarizing Contents of Dataframes

#### > worms

|    | Field.Name        | Area | Slope | Vegetation | Soil.pH | Damp  | Worm.density |
|----|-------------------|------|-------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|
| 1  | Nashs.Field       | 3.6  | 11    | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 4            |
| 2  | Silwood.Bottom    | 5.1  | 2     | Arable     | 5.2     | FALSE | 7            |
| 3  | Nursery.Field     | 2.8  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.3     | FALSE | 2            |
| 4  | Rush.Meadow       | 2.4  | 5     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 5            |
| 5  | Gunness.Thicket   | 3.8  | 0     | Scrub      | 4.2     | FALSE | 6            |
| 6  | Oak.Mead          | 3.1  | 2     | Grassland  | 3.9     | FALSE | 2            |
| 7  | Church.Field      | 3.5  | 3     | Grassland  | 4.2     | FALSE | 3            |
| 8  | Ashurst           | 2.1  | 0     | Arable     | 4.8     | FALSE | 4            |
| 9  | The.Orchard       | 1.9  | 0     | Orchard    | 5.7     | FALSE | 9            |
| 10 | Rookery.Slope     | 1.5  | 4     | Grassland  | 5.0     | TRUE  | 7            |
| 11 | Garden.Wood       | 2.9  | 10    | Scrub      | 5.2     | FALSE | 8            |
| 12 | North.Gravel      | 3.3  | 1     | Grassland  | 4.1     | FALSE | 1            |
| 13 | South.Gravel      | 3.7  | 2     | Grassland  | 4.0     | FALSE | 2            |
| 14 | Observatory.Ridge | 1.8  | 6     | Grassland  | 3.8     | FALSE | 0            |
| 15 | Pond.Field        | 4.1  | 0     | Meadow     | 5.0     | TRUE  | 6            |
| 16 | Water.Meadow      | 3.9  | 0     | Meadow     | 4.9     | TRUE  | 8            |
| 17 | Cheapside         | 2.2  | 8     | Scrub      | 4.7     | TRUE  | 4            |
| 18 | Pound.Hill        | 4.4  | 2     | Arable     | 4.5     | FALSE | 5            |
| 19 | Gravel.Pit        | 2.9  | 1     | Grassland  | 3.5     | FALSE | 1            |
| 20 | Farm.Wood         | 0.8  | 10    | Scrub      | 5.1     | TRUE  | 3            |

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# Summarizing the Contents of Dataframes



#### summary()

```
> summary (worms)
    Field.Name
                        Area
                                        Slope
                                                        Vegetation
                                                                       Soil.pH
                                                                                                     Worm.density
                                                                                        Damp
                           :0.800
                                                    Arable
                                                              : 3
                                                                            :3.500
                                                                                     Mode :logical
 Ashurst
                   Min.
                                    Min.
                                           : 0.00
                                                                    Min.
                                                                                                     Min.
                                                                                                             :0.00
 Cheapside
                   1st Qu.:2.175
                                    1st Qu.: 0.75
                                                    Grassland:9
                                                                    1st Ou.:4.100
                                                                                     FALSE:14
                                                                                                     1st Qu.:2.00
 Church.Field: 1
                   Median :3.000
                                    Median: 2.00
                                                    Meadow
                                                              : 3
                                                                    Median : 4.600
                                                                                     TRUE: 6
                                                                                                     Median:4.00
 Farm.Wood: 1
                   Mean
                           :2.990
                                    Mean
                                          : 3.50
                                                    Orchard:1
                                                                    Mean
                                                                           :4.555
                                                                                     NA's :0
                                                                                                             :4.35
                                                                                                     Mean
                                                                    3rd Ou.:5.000
 Garden.Wood: 1
                   3rd Ou.:3.725
                                    3rd Ou.: 5.25
                                                     Scrub
                                                              : 4
                                                                                                     3rd Ou.:6.25
 Gravel.Pit : 1
                           :5.100
                                           :11.00
                                                                           :5.700
                                                                                                             :9.00
                   Max.
                                    Max.
                                                                    Max.
                                                                                                     Max.
             :14
 (Other)
```

Values of continuous variable are summarized under six headings: one parametric (the mean) and five non-parametric (maximum, (minimum, median, 25<sup>th</sup> percentile or 1st quartile, and 75th percentile or 3rd quartile). Levels of categorical variables are counted. Note that field names are not listed in full because they are unique to each row; six of them are named, then R says '14 others'.

### Summarizing the Contents of Dataframes



#### aggregate()

```
> aggregate(worms[,c(2,3,5,7)],by=list(veg=Vegetation),mean)
               Area Slope Soil.pH Worm.density
    Arable 3.866667 1.333333 4.833333
1
                                         5.333333
 Grassland 2.911111 3.666667 4.100000
                                         2.44444
3
    Meadow 3.466667 1.666667 4.933333
                                         6.333333
4
   Orchard 1.900000 0.000000 5.700000
                                         9.000000
5
     Scrub 2.425000 7.000000 4.800000
                                         5.250000
```

aggregate () is used like tapply () to apply a function (mean () in this case) to the levels of a specified categorical variable (Vegetation in this case) for a specified range of variables (Area, Slope, Soil.ph and Worm.density are defined using their subscripts as a column index in worms [, c(2,3,5,7)].

# Summarizing the Contents of Dataframes



#### aggregate()

```
> aggregate (worms[,c(2,3,5,7)],by=list(veg=Vegetation,d=Damp),mean)
                              Slope Soil.pH Worm.density
                      Area
     Arable FALSE 3.866667 1.333333 4.833333
                                                 5.333333
1
 Grassland FALSE 3.087500 3.625000 3.987500
                                                 1.875000
3
    Orchard FALSE 1.900000 0.000000 5.700000
                                                 9.000000
      Scrub FALSE 3.350000 5.000000 4.700000
                                                 7.000000
4
 Grassland TRUE 1.500000 4.000000 5.000000
                                                 7.000000
    Meadow TRUE 3.466667 1.666667 4.933333
6
                                                 6.333333
7
     Scrub TRUE 1.500000 9.000000 4.900000
                                                 3.500000
```

The **by** argument needs to be a list even if, as here, we have only one classifying factor. Here are the aggregated summaries for **Vegetation** and **Damp**. Note that this summary is unbalanced because there were no damp arable or orchard sites and no dry meadows.

# **Summarizing the Contents of Dataframes**



#### > by (worms, Vegetation, mean)

| Vegetation: Ar    | able                  |          |            |           |       |              |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------|-----------|-------|--------------|--|--|--|--|
| Field.Name        | Area                  | Slope    | Vegetation | Soil.pH   | Damp  | Worm.density |  |  |  |  |
|                   |                       | 1.333333 |            |           |       |              |  |  |  |  |
|                   | Vegetation: Grassland |          |            |           |       |              |  |  |  |  |
| Field.Name        | Area                  | Slope    | Vegetation | Soil.pH   | Damp  | Worm.density |  |  |  |  |
|                   |                       |          |            | 4.1000000 |       |              |  |  |  |  |
|                   | Vegetation: Meadow    |          |            |           |       |              |  |  |  |  |
| Field.Name        | Area                  | Slope    | Vegetation | Soil.pH   | Damp  | Worm.density |  |  |  |  |
|                   |                       |          |            | 4.933333  |       | 6.333333     |  |  |  |  |
|                   | Vegetation: Orchard   |          |            |           |       |              |  |  |  |  |
| Field.Name        | Area                  | Slope    | Vegetation | Soil.pH   | Damp  | Worm.density |  |  |  |  |
|                   |                       | 0.0      |            | 5.7       |       | 9.0          |  |  |  |  |
| Vegetation: Scrub |                       |          |            |           |       |              |  |  |  |  |
| Field.Name        | Area                  | Slope    | Vegetation | Soil.pH   | Damp  | Worm.density |  |  |  |  |
| NA                | 2.425                 | 7.000    | NA         | 4.800     | 0.500 | 5.250        |  |  |  |  |

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