

## Homework 2, My Name.

Please submit the solution on Canvas into the corresponding assignment (e.g. “Homework #1”) in the form of R Markdown report, knitted into either of the available formats (HTML, pdf or Word). Provide only code and output. NO NEED TO COPY THE PROBLEM FORMULATION (!)

### Problem #1 (make sure to include code with outputs)

For the *fl\_student\_survey.csv* file, proceed to pick a quantitative variable (can be the same as in previous homework):

1. Describe its center via two main corresponding measures introduced in class. Which do you think is more appropriate? Why?
2. Describe its variability via at least two methods (that *do not* use measures of position) from the class. Advantages/Downsides of each method?
3. Provide the plot outlining the five-number summary for measures of position. Are there any outliers? Report the main variability measure. In general, what are the advantages of that measure as opposed to standard deviation?

### Problem #2

- 2.21,
- 2.34,
- 2.37 (no cheating with *median()* function; *mean()* is fine),
- 2.46 (DON'T use *range()* or *sd()*),
- 2.54,
- 2.62,
- 2.66,
- 2.76 (only parts a-b-c; no need to plot)

## Problem #3

Define your own function in *R* and demonstrate its functionality:

1. Function needs to contain:
  - a. at least one assignment operation ('<-')
  - b. at least one *required* argument (without a default value)
  - c. at least one argument with a default value
  - d. at least one conditional *if*-expression
2. Demonstrate:
  - a. 3 calls to show that function works properly on various *required* inputs}
  - b. a call in which you specify a non-default value

Function idea examples: check if a string/sequence has a certain property, or make a cyclic algebraic calculation, or provide various plots for inputted sequence/data...

**Example:** Function *is.increasing()* allows to check if a sequence of numbers is monotonically increasing (returns TRUE) or not (returns FALSE). Upon user's request, it can also print out the consecutive differences.

```
is.increasing <- function(x, printout=FALSE){  
  n <- length(x)  
  dif.vec <- x[2:n]-x[1:(n-1)]  
  if (printout == TRUE) print(dif.vec)  
  if (sum(dif.vec<=0) != 0) return(F) # Important note: function stops after executing the  
  return(T)                         # first 'return' statement it gets to  
}  
  
x <- c(1:10)  
is.increasing(x)
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

```
y <- c(5,5,5)  
is.increasing(y)
```

```
## [1] FALSE
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```
z <- c(1,5,3,7,9)  
is.increasing(z)
```

```
## [1] FALSE
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```
is.increasing(z, printout=T) # The call where you specify the non-default value
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## [1]  4 -2  4  2
```

```
## [1] FALSE
```