# 2657 Functions

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## concat.split

#### What it Does

The concat.split function takes a column with multiple values, splits the values into separate columns, and returns a new data.frame.

#### Arguments

- data: the source data.frame.
- split.col: the variable that needs to be split; can be specified either by the column number or the variable name.
- mode: can be either binary or value (where binary is default and it recodes values to 1 or NA).
- sep: the character separating each value (defaults to ",").
- drop.col: logical (whether to remove the original variable from the output or not; defaults to TRUE).

#### The Function

```
concat.split = function(data, split.col, mode = NULL, sep = ",",
   drop.col = FALSE) {
    if (is.numeric(split.col))
        split.col = split.col else split.col = which(colnames(data) %in% split.col)
    a = as.character(data[, split.col])
   b = strsplit(a, sep)
    if (suppressWarnings(is.na(try(max(as.numeric(unlist(b))))))) {
        what = "string"
        ncol = max(unlist(lapply(b, function(i) length(i))))
    } else if (!is.na(try(max(as.numeric(unlist(b)))))) {
        what = "numeric"
        ncol = max(as.numeric(unlist(b)))
    }
   m = matrix(nrow = nrow(data), ncol = ncol)
   v = vector("list", nrow(data))
    if (identical(what, "string")) {
        temp = as.data.frame(t(sapply(b, "[", 1:ncol)))
        names(temp) = paste(names(data[split.col]), "_", 1:ncol, sep = "")
        temp = apply(temp, 2, function(x) gsub("^{\s+}|\s+$", "", x))
        temp1 = cbind(data, temp)
    } else if (identical(what, "numeric")) {
        for (i in 1:nrow(data)) {
            v[[i]] = as.numeric(strsplit(a, sep)[[i]])
        temp = v
        for (i in 1:nrow(data)) {
            m[i, temp[[i]]] = temp[[i]]
        }
```

```
m = data.frame(m)
names(m) = paste(names(data[split.col]), "_", 1:ncol, sep = "")

if (is.null(mode) || identical(mode, "binary")) {
    temp1 = cbind(data, replace(m, m != "NA", 1))
} else if (identical(mode, "value")) {
    temp1 = cbind(data, m)
}

if (isTRUE(drop.col))
    temp1[-split.col] else temp1
}
```

### Examples

First load some data from a CSV stored at github. The URL is an HTTPS, so we need to use getURL from RCurl.

```
require(RCurl)
## Loading required package: RCurl
## Loading required package: bitops
baseURL = c("https://raw.github.com/mrdwab/2657-R-Functions/master/")
temp = getURL(pasteO(baseURL, "data/concatenated-cells.csv"))
concat.test = read.csv(textConnection(temp))
rm(temp)
# How big is the dataset?
dim(concat.test)
## [1] 48 4
# Just show me the first few rows
head(concat.test)
       Name
               Likes
                                        Siblings
                                                    Hates
## 1
       Boyd 1,2,4,5,6 Reynolds , Albert , Ortega
## 2 Rufus 1,2,4,5,6 Cohen , Bert , Montgomery 1;2;3;4;
      Dana 1,2,4,5,6
                                                       2;
## 4 Carole 1,2,4,5,6 Colon , Michelle , Ballard
                                                     1;4;
## 5 Ramona 1,2,5,6
                                Snyder , Joann ,
                                                   1;2;3;
## 6 Kelley 1,2,5,6
                               James , Roxanne ,
```

Notice that the data have been entered in a very silly manner. Let's split it up!

```
# Split up the second column, selecting by column number
head(concat.split(concat.test, 2))
```

```
##
                                                  Hates Likes_1 Likes_2
       Name
              Likes
                                        Siblings
## 1
       Boyd 1,2,4,5,6 Reynolds , Albert , Ortega
                                                     2;4;
                                                               1
## 2 Rufus 1,2,4,5,6 Cohen , Bert , Montgomery 1;2;3;4;
                                                                 1
                                                                         1
       Dana 1,2,4,5,6
                                          Pierce
                                                        2;
## 4 Carole 1,2,4,5,6 Colon , Michelle , Ballard
                                                     1;4;
                                                                 1
## 5 Ramona 1,2,5,6
                                Snyder , Joann ,
                                                                         1
                                                   1;2;3;
                                                                 1
                               James , Roxanne ,
## 6 Kelley
            1,2,5,6
                                                     1;4;
                                                                 1
##
     Likes_3 Likes_4 Likes_5 Likes_6
## 1
          NA
                   1
                           1
## 2
         NA
                   1
                           1
## 3
         NA
                   1
                           1
## 4
         NA
                   1
                           1
## 5
         NA
                  NA
                           1
                                   1
## 6
         NA
                  NA
                           1
                                   1
# ... or by name, and drop the offensive first column
head(concat.split(concat.test, "Likes", drop.col = TRUE))
##
       Name
                              Siblings
                                          Hates Likes_1 Likes_2 Likes_3
       Boyd Reynolds , Albert , Ortega
                                           2;4;
                                                      1
                                                               1
## 2 Rufus Cohen , Bert , Montgomery 1;2;3;4;
                                                                      NA
                                                       1
                                                               1
## 3
      Dana
                                Pierce
                                             2;
                                                       1
                                                               1
                                                                      NA
## 4 Carole Colon , Michelle , Ballard
                                           1;4;
                                                       1
                                                               1
## 5 Ramona
                                                                      NA
                     Snyder , Joann ,
                                         1;2;3;
                                                       1
                                                               1
                                                                      NA
                     James , Roxanne ,
## 6 Kelley
                                                               1
                                           1;4;
    Likes_4 Likes_5 Likes_6
##
## 1
          1
                   1
## 2
           1
                   1
                           1
## 3
                   1
           1
                           1
## 4
           1
                   1
## 5
          NA
## 6
         NA
# The 'Hates' column uses a different separator:
head(concat.split(concat.test, "Hates", sep = ";", drop.col = TRUE))
##
       Name
                Likes
                                        Siblings Hates_1 Hates_2 Hates_3
       Boyd 1,2,4,5,6 Reynolds , Albert , Ortega
## 1
                                                       NA
                                                                1
                                                                       NA
## 2 Rufus 1,2,4,5,6 Cohen , Bert , Montgomery
                                                       1
                                                                       1
                                                                1
      Dana 1,2,4,5,6
                                          Pierce
                                                      NA
                                                               1
                                                                       NΑ
## 4 Carole 1,2,4,5,6 Colon , Michelle , Ballard
                                                       1
                                                               NA
                                                                       NA
## 5 Ramona
             1,2,5,6
                               Snyder , Joann ,
                                                       1
                                                               1
                                                                       1
                               James , Roxanne ,
## 6 Kelley
              1,2,5,6
                                                               NA
                                                                       NA
                                                        1
##
    Hates_4
## 1
## 2
           1
## 3
         NΑ
## 4
          1
## 5
          NA
## 6
           1
# Retain the original values
head(concat.split(concat.test, 2, mode = "value", drop.col = TRUE))
##
                                          Hates Likes_1 Likes_2 Likes_3
       Name
                              Siblings
       Boyd Reynolds , Albert , Ortega
                                           2;4;
                                                      1
## 2 Rufus Cohen, Bert, Montgomery 1;2;3;4;
                                                               2
                                                                      NA
```

```
## 3
      Dana
                              Pierce
                                          2;
                                                  1
                                                          2
                                                                NA
## 4 Carole Colon , Michelle , Ballard
                                                          2
                                                                NA
                                        1;4;
                                                  1
## 5 Ramona
                   Snyder , Joann ,
                                      1;2;3;
                                                  1
                                                          2
                                                                NA
## 6 Kelley
                                                          2
                   James , Roxanne ,
                                        1;4;
                                                  1
                                                                NA
   Likes_4 Likes_5 Likes_6
## 1
         4
                5
## 2
         4
                 5
                         6
## 3
                 5
          4
                         6
## 4
         4
                 5
                         6
## 5
         NA
                 5
                         6
## 6
         NA
                 5
```

# Let's try splitting some strings... Same syntax
head(concat.split(concat.test, 3, drop.col = TRUE))

```
##
                        Hates Siblings_1 Siblings_2 Siblings_3
      Name
               Likes
## 1
      Boyd 1,2,4,5,6
                         2;4;
                               Reynolds
                                            Albert
## 2 Rufus 1,2,4,5,6 1;2;3;4;
                                  Cohen
                                              Bert Montgomery
     Dana 1,2,4,5,6
                          2;
                                  Pierce
                                              <NA>
                                                         <NA>
                                         Michelle
## 4 Carole 1,2,4,5,6
                         1;4;
                                  Colon
                                                      Ballard
## 5 Ramona 1,2,5,6
                      1;2;3;
                                  Snyder
                                              Joann
                                                         <NA>
## 6 Kelley 1,2,5,6
                                  James
                                           Roxanne
                                                         <NA>
                         1;4;
```

#### To Do

• Modify the function so that you can split multiple columns in one go?

#### References

See: http://stackoverflow.com/q/10100887/1270695

## df.sorter

#### What it Does

The df.sorter function allows you to sort a data.frame by columns or rows or both. You can also quickly subset data solums by using the var.order argument.

## Arguments

- data: the source data.frame.
- var.order: the new order in which you want the variables to appear.
  - Defaults to names (data), which keeps the variables in the original order.
  - Variables can be referred to either by a vector of their index numbers or by a vector of the variable name; partial name matching also works, but requires that the partial match identifies similar columns uniquely (see examples).
  - Basic subsetting can also be done using var.order simply by omitting the variables you want to drop.
- col.sort: the columns within which there is data that need to be sorted.
  - Defaults to NULL, which means no sorting takes place.
  - Variables can be referred to either by a vector of their index numbers or by a vector of the variable names; full names must be provided.
- at.start: Should the pattern matching be from the start of the variable name?
  - Defaults to "TRUE".

NOTE: If you are sorting both by variables and within the columns, the col.sort order should be based on the location of the columns in the new data.frame, not the original data.frame.

#### The Function

```
df.sorter = function(data, var.order = names(data), col.sort = NULL,
    at.start = TRUE) {
    if (is.numeric(var.order))
        var.order = colnames(data)[var.order] else var.order = var.order
    a = names(data)
   b = length(var.order)
    subs = vector("list", b)
    if (isTRUE(at.start)) {
        for (i in 1:b) {
            subs[[i]] = sort(grep(paste("^", var.order[i], sep = "", collapse = ""),
                a, value = TRUE))
        }
    } else if (!isTRUE(at.start)) {
        for (i in 1:b) {
            subs[[i]] = sort(grep(var.order[i], a, value = TRUE))
   x = unlist(subs)
```

```
y = data[, x]
    if (is.null(col.sort)) {
    } else if (is.numeric(col.sort)) {
        col.sort = colnames(y)[col.sort]
        y[do.call(order, y[col.sort]), ]
    } else if (!is.numeric(col.sort)) {
        col.sort = col.sort
        y[do.call(order, y[col.sort]), ]
}
Examples
# Make up some data
set.seed(1)
dat = data.frame(id = rep(1:5, each = 3), times = rep(1:3, 5), measure1 = rnorm(15),
    score1 = sample(300, 15), code1 = replicate(15, paste(sample(LETTERS[1:5],
        3), sep = "", collapse = "")), measure2 = rnorm(15), score2 = sample(150:300,
        15), code2 = replicate(15, paste(sample(LETTERS[1:5], 3), sep = "",
        collapse = "")))
# Preview your data
dat
##
      id times measure1 score1 code1 measure2 score2 code2
             1 -0.6265
                            145
                                  DAB
                                      -0.7075
## 2
             2
                 0.1836
                                        0.3646
                                                   224
                                                         ECD
                            180
                                  DCB
       1
## 3
               -0.8356
                                  EBA
                                                   222
                                        0.7685
                                                         DAE
       1
             3
                            148
## 4
       2
             1
                 1.5953
                            56
                                  AED
                                       -0.1123
                                                   175
                                                         DBA
## 5
       2
             2
                 0.3295
                            245
                                  CEB
                                        0.8811
                                                   260
                                                         DAC
## 6
                                  EBD
             3
               -0.8205
                                        0.3981
                                                   216
                                                         DCA
       2
                            198
## 7
                                                   300
       3
             1
                 0.4874
                            234
                                  BCA
                                       -0.6120
                                                         CEA
## 8
       3
             2
                 0.7383
                                        0.3411
                                                   179
                            32
                                  CDA
                                                         CAD
## 9
       3
             3
                 0.5758
                            212
                                  EBC
                                       -1.1294
                                                   182
                                                         BEC
## 10
               -0.3054
                                                   234
      4
             1
                            120
                                  BED
                                       1.4330
                                                         CDE
## 11
             2
                1.5118
                                                   231
                                                         CAB
       4
                            239
                                  EDB
                                       1.9804
## 12
       4
             3
                 0.3898
                            188
                                  DEB
                                       -0.3672
                                                   160
                                                         DBE
                -0.6212
## 13
       5
             1
                            226
                                  DBA
                                       -1.0441
                                                   154
                                                         EDB
                                                         BDF.
## 14
      5
             2 - 2.2147
                                                   238
                            159
                                  DAC
                                        0.5697
## 15 5
             3
                1.1249
                            152
                                  AED
                                      -0.1351
                                                   277
                                                         DCE
# Change the variable order, grouping related columns Note that you do not
# need to specify full variable names, just enough that the variables can
# be uniquely identified
head(df.sorter(dat, var.order = c("id", "ti", "cod", "mea", "sco")))
##
     id times code1 code2 measure1 measure2 score1 score2
## 1 1
                                     -0.7075
                DAB
                      CEB
                          -0.6265
            1
                                                145
                                                        299
## 2 1
            2
                DCB
                      ECD
                             0.1836
                                      0.3646
                                                180
                                                        224
## 3
                EBA
                      DAE
                           -0.8356
                                      0.7685
                                                148
                                                        222
## 4
     2
                AED
                      DBA
                             1.5953
                                     -0.1123
                                                 56
                                                        175
            1
## 5
     2
            2
                CEB
                      DAC
                             0.3295
                                      0.8811
                                                245
                                                        260
## 6
            3
                EBD
                      DCA -0.8205
                                      0.3981
                                                198
                                                        216
# Same output, but with a more awkward syntax
head(df.sorter(dat, var.order = c(1, 2, 5, 8, 3, 6, 4, 7)))
```

```
id times code1 code2 measure1 measure2 score1 score2
## 1 1
                     CEB -0.6265 -0.7075
           1
               DAB
                                              145
                                                     299
               DCB
## 2 1
           2
                     ECD
                           0.1836 0.3646
                                              180
                                                     224
## 3 1
                                    0.7685
               EBA
                     DAE -0.8356
                                              148
                                                     222
## 4 2
                          1.5953 -0.1123
           1
               AED
                     DBA
                                               56
                                                     175
## 5 2
           2
               CEB
                     DAC
                           0.3295
                                    0.8811
                                              245
                                                     260
## 6 2
                     DCA -0.8205
           3
               EBD
                                    0.3981
                                              198
                                                     216
# As above, but sorted by 'times' and then 'id'
head(df.sorter(dat, var.order = c("id", "tim", "cod", "mea", "sco"),
   col.sort = c(2, 1))
##
      id times code1 code2 measure1 measure2 score1 score2
## 1
            1
                DAB
                      CEB -0.6265 -0.7075
                                               145
                                                      299
## 4
                 AED
                      DBA
                            1.5953
                                    -0.1123
                                                56
                                                      175
      2
            1
                            0.4874 -0.6120
## 7
                BCA
                      CEA
                                               234
                                                      300
      3
            1
## 10 4
            1
                 BED
                      CDE
                           -0.3054
                                    1.4330
                                               120
                                                      234
## 13 5
            1
                 DBA
                      EDB
                           -0.6212 -1.0441
                                               226
                                                      154
## 2
      1
            2
                DCB
                      ECD
                           0.1836
                                    0.3646
                                               180
                                                      224
# Drop 'measure1' and 'measure2', sort by 'times', and 'score1'
head(df.sorter(dat, var.order = c("id", "tim", "sco", "cod"), col.sort = c(2,
   3)))
      id times score1 score2 code1 code2
                  56
                              A F.D
                                    DBA
            1
                        175
## 10 4
                        234
                              BED
                                    CDE
                 120
            1
## 1
      1
            1
                 145
                        299
                              DAB
                                    CEB
## 13 5
            1
                 226
                        154
                              DBA
                                    EDB
## 7
                        300
                              BCA
      3
            1
                 234
                                    CEA
            2
                        179
                              CDA
## 8
      3
                  32
                                    CAD
# As above, but using names
head(df.sorter(dat, var.order = c("id", "tim", "sco", "cod"), col.sort = c("times",
   "score1")))
##
      id times score1 score2 code1 code2
## 4
      2
            1
                  56
                        175
                              AED
                                    DBA
                        234
## 10 4
            1
                 120
                              BED
                                    CDE
## 1
                        299
      1
            1
                 145
                              DAB
                                    CEB
## 13 5
                 226
                        154
                              DBA
                                    EDB
            1
## 7
      3
            1
                  234
                        300
                              BCA
                                    CEA
## 8
            2
                  32
                        179
                              CDA
                                    CAD
# Just sort by columns, first by 'times' then by 'id'
head(df.sorter(dat, col.sort = c("times", "id")))
      id times measure1 score1 code1 measure2 score2 code2
            1 -0.6265
## 1
      1
                          145
                                DAB
                                    -0.7075
                                                299
                                                      CEB
                                                      DBA
## 4
      2
               1.5953
                           56
                                AED
                                    -0.1123
                                                175
            1
## 7
      3
            1
                0.4874
                          234
                                BCA
                                     -0.6120
                                                300
                                                      CEA
## 10 4
               -0.3054
                          120
                                BED
                                     1.4330
                                                234
                                                      CDE
## 13 5
            1 -0.6212
                          226
                                DBA
                                     -1.0441
                                                154
                                                      EDB
## 2
            2 0.1836
                                DCB 0.3646
                                                      ECD
                          180
                                                224
      1
head(df.sorter(dat, col.sort = c("code1"))) # Sorting by character values
```

```
##
      id times measure1 score1 code1 measure2 score2 code2
## 4
                  1.5953
                              56
                                   AED
                                         -0.1123
                                                     175
                                                           \mathtt{DBA}
       2
              1
## 15
      5
              3
                                         -0.1351
                                                     277
                                                           DCE
                  1.1249
                             152
                                   AED
## 7
              1
                  0.4874
                                   BCA
                                         -0.6120
                                                     300
                                                           CEA
       3
                             234
## 10
       4
              1
                 -0.3054
                             120
                                   BED
                                          1.4330
                                                     234
                                                           CDE
## 8
       3
              2
                  0.7383
                              32
                                   CDA
                                          0.3411
                                                     179
                                                           CAD
## 5
       2
              2
                  0.3295
                                   CEB
                                          0.8811
                                                     260
                                                           DAC
                             245
# Pattern matching anywhere in the variable name
head(df.sorter(dat, var.order = "co", at.start = FALSE))
##
     code1 code2 score1 score2
## 1
       DAB
              CEB
                     145
                             299
       DCB
              ECD
## 2
                     180
                             224
## 3
       \mathtt{EBA}
              DAE
                     148
                             222
## 4
       AED
              DBA
                      56
                             175
## 5
       CEB
              DAC
                     245
                             260
       EBD
## 6
              DCA
                     198
                             216
```

### To Do

• Add an option to sort ascending or descending—at the moment, not supported.

# multi.freq.table

#### What it Does

The multi.freq.table function takes a data frame containing boolean responses to multiple response questions and tabulates the number of responses by the possible combinations of answers.

## Arguments

- data: The multiple responses that need to be tabulated.
- sep: The desired separator for collapsing the combinations of options.
  - Defaults to "" (collapsing with no space between each option name).
- dropzero: Should combinations with a frequency of zero be dropped from the final table?
  - Defaults to FALSE.
- clean: Should the original tabulated data be retained or dropped from the final table?
  - Defaults to TRUE.

#### The Function

#### **Examples**

```
## 5 0 0 1 1 1
## 6 1 0 1 0 0
## 7 1 0 0 0 1
## 8 1 0 0 1 0
## 9 1 1 1 0 0
## 10 0 0 1 1 0
## 11 0 0 0 0 0
## 12 0 1 1 1 0
## 13 1 0 0 0 1
## 14 0 0 0 0 1
## 15 1 1 0 0 1
## 16 0 1 0 1 1
## 17 1 1 0 1 0
## 18 1 0 1 0 0
## 19 0 1 1 1 1
## 20 1 0 0 1 1
# Apply the function with all defaults accepted
multi.freq.table(dat)
##
      Combn Freq
## 1
               1
## 2
               0
          Α
## 3
         В
               0
## 4
         AB
               0
## 5
         C
               0
## 6
        AC
               3
## 7
        BC
              0
        ABC
## 8
## 9
        D
               0
## 10
        AD
               1
## 11
        BD
               0
## 12
        ABD
               1
## 13
        CD
               1
## 14
        ACD
               0
               2
## 15
        BCD
## 16 ABCD
## 17
        Ε
               1
        ΑE
## 18
               2
## 19
        BE
               0
## 20
       ABE
               1
## 21
        CE
               1
## 22
       ACE
              0
## 23
       BCE
## 24 ABCE
               0
## 25
        DE
               0
## 26
        ADE
               1
## 27
        BDE
               1
## 28
       ABDE
               0
## 29
        CDE
               1
## 30 ACDE
               0
## 31 BCDE
               1
## 32 ABCDE
# Tabulate only on variables 'A', 'B', and 'D', with a different
# separator, dropping any zero frequency values, and keeping the original
# tabulations. Note that there are no solitary 'B' responses.
multi.freq.table(dat[c(1, 2, 4)], sep = "-", dropzero = TRUE, clean = FALSE)
```

```
## A B D Freq Combn
## 1 0 0 0
             3
## 2 1 0 0
             5
                   Α
## 4 1 1 0
             3
                 A-B
## 5 0 0 1
             2
                   D
## 6 1 0 1
             2
                 A-D
## 7 0 1 1
             4
                 B-D
## 8 1 1 1
             1 A-B-D
```

## References

<code>apply</code> shortcut for creating the <code>Combn</code> column in the output by <code>Justin</code> See: <code>http://stackoverflow.com/q/11348391/1270695</code>

#### row.extractor

#### What it Does

The row.extractor function takes a data.frame and extracts rows with the min, median, or max values of a given variable, or extracts rows with specific quantiles of a given variable.

## Arguments

- data: the source data.frame.
- extract.by: the column which will be used as the reference for extraction; can be specified either by the column number or the variable name.
- what: options are min (for all rows matching the minimum value), median (for the median row or rows), max (for all rows matching the maximum value), or all (for min, median, and max); alternatively, a numeric vector can be specified with the desired quantiles, for instance c(0, .25, .5, .75, 1)

## The Function

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row.extractor = function(data, extract.by, what = "all") {
    if (is.numeric(extract.by)) {
        extract.by = extract.by
    } else if (is.numeric(extract.by) != 0) {
        extract.by = which(colnames(data) %in% "extract.by")
    if (is.character(what)) {
        which.median = function(data, extract.by) {
            a = data[, extract.by]
            if (length(a)\%2 != 0) {
                which(a == median(a))
            } else if (length(a)\%2 == 0) {
                b = sort(a)[c(length(a)/2, length(a)/2 + 1)]
                c(max(which(a == b[1])), min(which(a == b[2])))
            }
        }
        X1 = data[which(data[extract.by] == min(data[extract.by])), ] # min
        X2 = data[which(data[extract.by] == max(data[extract.by])), ]
        X3 = data[which.median(data, extract.by), ] # median
        if (identical(what, "min")) {
        } else if (identical(what, "max")) {
        } else if (identical(what, "median")) {
        } else if (identical(what, "all")) {
            rbind(X1, X3, X2)
    } else if (is.numeric(what)) {
        which.quantile <- function(data, extract.by, what, na.rm = FALSE) {</pre>
            x = data[, extract.by]
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if (!na.rm & any(is.na(x)))
                return(rep(NA_integer_, length(what)))
            o <- order(x)
            n <- sum(!is.na(x))</pre>
            o <- o[seq_len(n)]</pre>
           nppm <- n * what - 0.5
            j <- floor(nppm)</pre>
            h \leftarrow ifelse((nppm == j) & ((j\%2L) == 0L), 0, 1)
            j <- j + h
            j[j == 0] <- 1
            o[j]
        data[which.quantile(data, extract.by, what), ] # quantile
    }
}
Examples
# Make up some data
set.seed(1)
dat = data.frame(V1 = 1:50, V2 = rnorm(50), V3 = round(abs(rnorm(50)),
    digits = 2), V4 = sample(1:30, 50, replace = TRUE))
# Get a sumary of the data
summary(dat)
##
         ۷1
                        ٧2
                                         VЗ
                                                         ۷4
## Min. : 1.0
                 Min. :-2.215
                                   Min. :0.000
                                                   Min. : 2.00
## 1st Qu.:13.2
                  1st Qu.:-0.372
                                   1st Qu.:0.347
                                                   1st Qu.: 8.25
## Median :25.5
                 Median : 0.129
                                   Median :0.590
                                                  Median :13.00
                  Mean : 0.100
                                   Mean :0.774
## Mean :25.5
                                                   Mean :14.80
## 3rd Qu.:37.8
                   3rd Qu.: 0.728
                                   3rd Qu.:1.175
                                                   3rd Qu.:20.75
## Max. :50.0
                 Max. : 1.595
                                   Max. :2.400 Max. :29.00
# Get the rows corresponding to the 'min', 'median', and 'max' of 'V4'
row.extractor(dat, 4)
##
                  V3 V4
      V1
              V2
## 28 28 -1.4708 0.00 2
## 47 47 0.3646 1.28 13
## 29 29 -0.4782 0.07 13
## 11 11 1.5118 2.40 29
## 14 14 -2.2147 0.03 29
## 18 18 0.9438 1.47 29
## 19 19 0.8212 0.15 29
## 50 50 0.8811 0.47 29
# Get the 'min' rows only, referenced by the variable name
row.extractor(dat, "V4", "min")
##
     V1
            V2 V3 V4
## 28 28 -1.471 0 2
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\# Get the 'median' rows only. Notice that there are two rows since we have
\# an even number of cases and true median is the mean of the two central
# sorted values
row.extractor(dat, "V4", "median")
##
      ۷1
                   V3 V4
              ۷2
## 47 47 0.3646 1.28 13
## 29 29 -0.4782 0.07 13
# Get the rows corresponding to the deciles of 'V3'
row.extractor(dat, "V3", seq(0.1, 1, 0.1))
##
      V1
              V2 V3 V4
## 10 10 -0.30539 0.14 22
## 26 26 -0.05613 0.29 16
## 39 39 1.10003 0.37 13
## 41 41 -0.16452 0.54 10
## 30 30 0.41794 0.59 26
## 44 44 0.55666 0.70 5
## 37 37 -0.39429 1.06 21
## 49 49 -0.11235 1.22 14
## 34 34 -0.05381 1.52 19
## 11 11 1.51178 2.40 29
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### References

which.quantile function by cheleites

See: http://stackoverflow.com/q/10256503/1270695