Practical Exercises for Day 2

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Exercise 4

What is conceptionally the difference between these bracket types ([...], (...))?

```
chickwts[, 2]
summary(aov(weight ~ feed, data = chickwts))
```

```
# SOLUTION: [...] the squared brackets we need to select rows and columns of a
# data frame.
# (...) the round brackets we need around function calls,
# e. g.:
subset(...) # to define a subset
c(...) # to define a vector
data.frame(...) # to define a data frame
```

Exercise 5

• How many levels has the factor variable trt from bacteria?

```
str(bacteria)
head(bacteria$trt)
table(bacteria$trt)
levels(bacteria$trt)
nlevels(bacteria$trt)
```

• Define a new variable trt.new in which you combine the levels drug and drug+ into one single level and label it as treated. The new variable trt.new should in the end have two levels: placebo and treated.

```
table(bacteria$trt)
# OPTION 1:
# Test how many levels are in the variable "trt"?
levels(bacteria$trt)
```

```
bacteria$trt.new <- bacteria$trt

# Overwrite the levels "placebo", "drug", "drug+" with new

# levels called "placebo", "drug", "drug" --> combine "drug" and "drug+"

levels(bacteria$trt.new) <- c("placebo", "drug", "drug")

# Do table for variable "trt" and "trt.new" to see if you combined correctly

table(bacteria$trt)

table(bacteria$trt.new)

# Rename the levels from "placebo", "drug" to "placebo", "treated"

levels(bacteria$trt.new) <- c("placebo", "treated")

# Do another table to check if you did everything correctly:

table(bacteria$trt.new)</pre>
```

• Do summary statistics for placebo and treated group.

```
summary(bacteria)
table(bacteria$trt.new)
barplot(table(bacteria$trt.new))
table(bacteria$trt.new, bacteria$ap)
table(bacteria$trt.new, bacteria$y)
plot(table(bacteria$trt.new, bacteria$y))
```

Exercise 6

• Load data set ToothGrowth.

```
data(ToothGrowth)
str(ToothGrowth)
head(ToothGrowth)
```

Do summary statistic (numerically and graphically).

```
table(ToothGrowth$supp)
tapply(ToothGrowth$len, ToothGrowth$supp, mean)
tapply(ToothGrowth$len, ToothGrowth$supp, median)
tapply(ToothGrowth$len, ToothGrowth$supp, sd)
```

• Define additional column dose.fac by converting the numeric variable dose into a factor variable.

```
table(ToothGrowth$dose)
class(ToothGrowth$dose)
ToothGrowth$dose.fac <- factor(ToothGrowth$dose, levels = c("0.5", "1", "2"))
class(ToothGrowth$dose.fac)
table(ToothGrowth$dose.fac)</pre>
```

• Are the tooth length measurements normally distributed within the treatment (supp: VC or OJ) and within in the different doses (dose: 0.5, 1, 2)?

```
# supp: VC, OJ
sub.OJ <- subset(ToothGrowth, supp == "OJ")
sub.VC <- subset(ToothGrowth, supp == "VC")
# graphically
qqnorm(sub.OJ$len)
qqline(sub.OJ$len)
qqline(sub.VC$len)
qqline(sub.VC$len)
# with a statistical test
shapiro.test(sub.OJ$len)
shapiro.test(sub.VC$len)
# dose: 0.5, 1, 2
sub.O.5 <- subset(ToothGrowth, dose.fac == "O.5")
sub.1 <- subset(ToothGrowth, dose.fac == "1")</pre>
```

```
sub.2 <- subset(ToothGrowth, dose.fac == "2")

# graphically

qqnorm(sub.0.5$len)

qqline(sub.0.5$len)

qqnorm(sub.1$len)

qqline(sub.1$len)

qqnorm(sub.2$len)

# with a statistical test

shapiro.test(sub.0.5$len)

shapiro.test(sub.1$len)</pre>
```

Exercise 7

- Import the data set perulung_ems.csv (taken from Kirkwood and Sterne, 2nd edition) into R. Data from a study of lung function among children living in a deprived suburb of Lima, Peru. Variables:
 - fev1: in liter, "Forced Expiratory Volume in 1 second" measured by a spirometer. This is the maximum volume of air which the children could breath out in 1 second

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age: in yearsheight: in cmsex: 0 = girl, 1 = boy
```

- respsymp: respiratory symptoms experienced by the child over the previous 12 months
- What delimiter do you need to choose?

```
# Be sure to add sep = ";" so that we separate the columns.
lung <- read.csv("C:\\Users\\Exercises\\data\\perulung_ems.csv", sep = ";")
head(lung)
str(lung)</pre>
```

• Do all variables have the correct data type (numeric, integer, factor)? If not, do correct and / or define them.

```
head(lung)
str(lung)
lung$sex <- factor(lung$sex, levels = c("0", "1"))
# levels(lung$sex) <- c("female", "male")
# levels(lung$sex)[levels(lung$sex)=="0"] <- "female"
# levels(lung$sex)[levels(lung$sex)=="1"] <- "male"
# tapply(lung$fev1, lung$sex, mean)
lung$respsymptoms <- factor(lung$respsymptoms, levels = c("0", "1"))</pre>
```

```
library(usdm)
# check for multicollinearity by using variance inflation factors
# cerate a dataframe just with the three continuous/numeric variables fevs, age and height
try.vif <- lung[,c("fev1","height","age")];
# perform scatterplots for these three variables
pairs(try.vif)
# get the three VIF, as a rule of thumb they should be < 3
vif(try.vif)</pre>
```

```
# Check for heteroscedascity or homogeneity of variances
?bartlett.test
data("chickwts")
bartlett.test(weight ~ feed, data = chickwts)
```