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Data Analysis with R:

Lecture Slides: Day 1 - Monday

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Goals of the course

To be able to...

- import data sets to R
- describe data with R
- apply basic statistical tests in R
- some ideas for more advanced statistical tools ...
- simulate a data set similar to own research

General remarks

Course schedule:

- Starting at 9:00am / 9:30am (?)
- Tea breaks in between
- Lunch break
- Teaching until 4.30pm (~ 5pm)

Obtaining a certificate is conditional on:

- active participation in class
- attending at least 75 % of the course (lecture & exercises)
- assignments during now and October
- short final exam in October (format to be defined)

Getting to know each other

- My name is ...
- I am doing a Master / a PhD in ...
- I hope to learn in this course how to
- My personal goal for this course is ...

How do we reach these goals

- hands on exercises with R:
 - `chickwts`
 - `ToothGrowth`
 - `bacteria`
 - `perulung`
 - ... and others.
- interactive discussions & student's present their own solutions
- ask us a lot of questions but also ask google for help!
- group work
- short motivational lectures



Do you all have RStudio and R installed on your computers?

Get started with data set: chickwts



An experiment was conducted to measure and compare the effectiveness of various feed supplements on the growth rate of chickens.

```
# load data set "chickwts"
data("chickwts", package = "datasets")
# the head(...) function shows the first 6 observations
head(chickwts)
```

```
##      weight      feed
## 1      179 horsebean
## 2      160 horsebean
## 3      136 horsebean
## 4      227 horsebean
## 5      217 horsebean
## 6      168 horsebean
```

```
# FUNCTION - open bracket - DATA SET / VARIABLE - close bracket
```

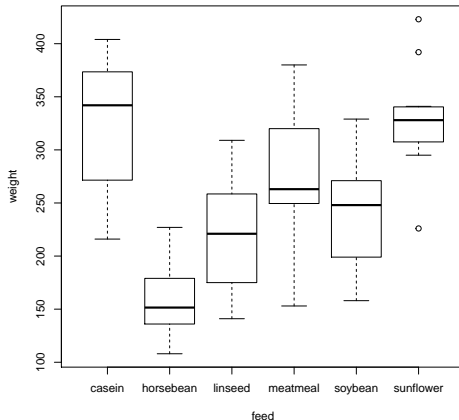
Ideas for plotting the data



Ideas for plotting the data



```
# use x axis to show the categorical variable (feed),  
# y axis to represent the continuous variable (weight)  
# boxplot (y.cont.variable ~ x.cat.variable, data = dataset)  
# ?boxplot  
boxplot(weight ~ feed, data = chickwts)
```



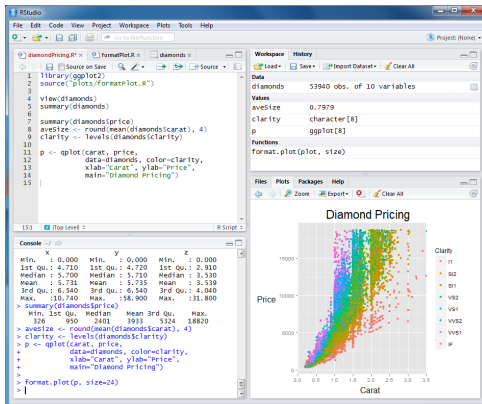
Exercise: Statistical Terminologies



Functionalities in RStudio



- Source
- Console
- Environment, History, Files
- Files, Plots, Packages, Help





- Define manually a new folder called **rcourse** in your personal documents on your personal computer
- Know in which directory you are

```
getwd()
```

```
## [1] "/home/mburi/Documents/git_svn/DataAnalysisWithR/Lectures"
```

- Set directory path

```
# back- and forslash is dependent on the system
```

```
setwd("C:/Users/muriel/Documents/rcourse/")
```

```
setwd("C:\\Users\\muriel\\Documents\\rcourse\\")
```

- Always clean up before starting with new R-Script

```
rm(list=ls()) # empty workspace, delete previously saved variables
```



```
?chickwts  
?boxplot
```

Also, have a look at the examples at the end of the help pages.

Exercise: Getting to know R and `chickwts`



A data frame in R: chickwts



chickwts[ROWS , COLUMNS]

	weight	feed
1	179	horsebean
2	160	horsebean
3	136	horsebean
4	227	horsebean
5	217	horsebean
6	168	horsebean
7	108	horsebean
8	124	horsebean
9	143	horsebean
10	140	horsebean
11	309	linseed
12	229	linseed
13	181	linseed

chickwts[6, 1]

	weight	feed
1	179	horsebean
2	160	horsebean
3	136	horsebean
4	227	horsebean
5	217	horsebean
6	168	horsebean
7	108	horsebean
8	124	horsebean
9	143	horsebean
10	140	horsebean
11	309	linseed
12	229	linseed
13	181	linseed

chickwts[11, 2]

Rows and columns of a data frame: chickwts



Values of ...

```
# Load (internal) data set from R
data("chickwts")

# ... all columns of sixth observation:
chickwts[6, ]

# ... all columns of sixth to eleventh observation:
chickwts[c(6:11), ]

# ... all columns of sixth, eleventh and twentieth observation:
chickwts[c(6, 11, 20), ]

# ... all rows of first column (weight):
chickwts[, 1]

# ... all rows of second column (feed):
chickwts[, 2]

# or use the "$" sign as a reference to column "feed":
chickwts$feed
```


Exercise: Summary Statistics for the `chickwts` data set



Rules for importing data into R



- First row of excel sheet contains **variable names**:
y, ap, hilo, week, ID, trt.
- Columns of excel sheet represent **variables**.
- Rows of excel sheet represent **observations per individual** (except for the first row).

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
1	id	fev1	age	height	sex	resp	symptoms			
2	1	1.56	9.593	124.8	0	0				
3	2	1.18	7.491	111	1	0				
4	3	1.87	9.864	135.7	0	0				
5	4	1.49	8.588	119.1	0	0				
6	5	1.62	8.967	120.9	1	0				
7	6	2.11	9.293	134.3	0	1				
8	7	1.73	9.574	122.1	1	0				
9	8	1.47	8.493	122.6	0	1				
10	9	1.83	8.468	126.8	1	0				
11	10	1.41	9.029	126	0	0				
12	11	1.27	8.274	128	0	0				
13	12	1.34	8.416	127	0	0				
14	13	1.64	9.629	133.7	0	0				
15	14	1.57	8.622	125.5	1	0				
16	15	1.51	9.033	125.9	1	0				
17	16	1.25	8.643	122.3	0	0				



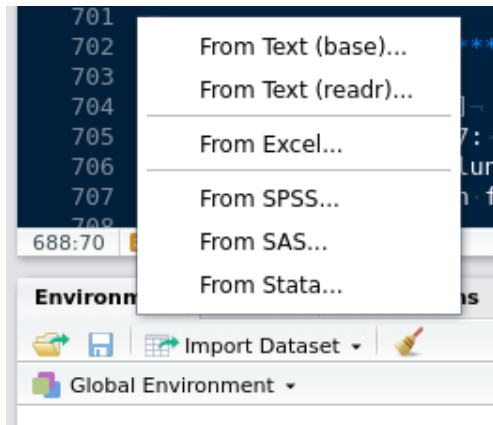
Variable names should ...

- start with a letter (not a number):
y, ap, hilo, week, ID, trt
- longer variables names should be separated with dots:
time.in.weeks
- do not use special characters, such as /, #, @, &, *, ...

How to import external data files into R?



- > Import Dataset > **From Text (base)...** > CSV Files (.csv)
or





- Environment (upper right corner)
- > Import Dataset > **From Text (base)...** > CSV Files (.csv)

```
perulung_ems <- read.csv("perulung_ems.csv", row.names = 1,  
                        sep = ";")  
lung <- data.frame(perulung_ems)
```

- > Import Dataset > **From Text (base)...** > Text Files (.txt)

How to import .txt and .csv files into R? (2/3)

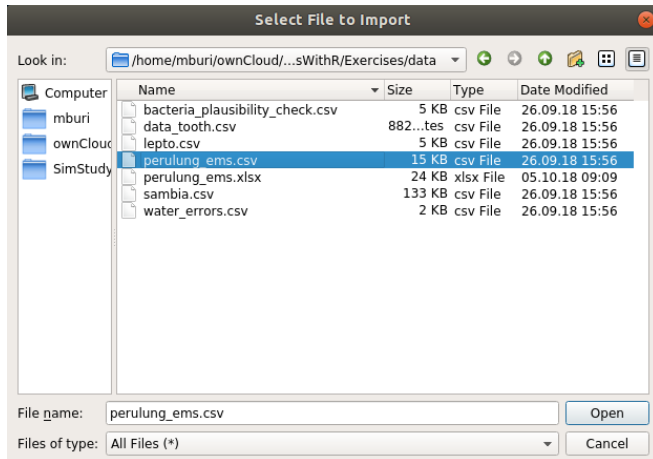


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How to import .txt and .csv files into R? (3/3)



Import Dataset

Name:

Encoding:

Heading: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Row names:

Separator:

Decimal:

Quote:

Comment:

na.strings:

☒ Strings as factors

Input File

```
id;fev1;age;height;sex;respsymptoms
1;1.56;9.593;124.8;0;0
2;1.18;7.491;111.1;0
3;1.87;9.864;135.7;0;0
4;1.49;8.588;119.1;0;0
5;1.62;8.967;120.9;1;0
6;2.11;9.293;134.3;0;1
7;1.73;9.574;122.1;1;0
8;1.47;8.493;122.6;0;1
9;1.83;8.468;126.8;1;0
10;1.41;9.029;126.0;0;0
11;1.27;8.274;128.0;0;0
12;1.34;8.416;127.0;0;0
13;1.64;9.629;133.7;0;0
14;1.57;8.622;125.5;1;0
```

Data Frame

id	fev1	age	height	sex	respsymptoms
1	1.56	9.593	124.8	0	0
2	1.18	7.491	111.0	1	0
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Data from a study of lung function among children living in a deprived suburb of Lima, Peru. Data taken from Kirkwood and Sterne, 2nd edition.

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
- `age`: in years
- `height`: in cm
- `sex`: 0 = girl, 1 = boy
- `respsymp`: respiratory symptoms experienced by the child over the previous 12 months