



Data manipulation in R

A program to use when size matters

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Why use R?

Why not use a spreadsheet?



Why not use a spreadsheet?

- Data manipulation in Excel is VERY risk and time consuming
- A range of software packages are available for Excel
- Large data sets can exceed the size limits of standard programs
- Spreadsheets don't have the inherent understanding of statistics that R has
- For example handling of NA's
- R is hot!



Why use R?



Why use R?

- Its free
- Its available on most operating systems Windows, OS X, Linux
- There are huge numbers of packages available
- Its becoming the international standard for statistics



Getting Started I

Some References



James P. Howard.

R Cookbook.

O'Reilly Media, Inc, 2011.



Phil Spector.

Data Manipulation with R.

Use R series

Springer, 2008



Getting Started

Installing R!



Download it

- Open <http://www.r-project.org>
- Click CRAN (Under download on Top Left)
- Click <http://cran.ms.unimelb.edu.au/> University of Melbourne

Windows

- Select Windows
- Select Base
- Download R (suggest latest version)

OS X

- Select Select OS X
- Select R-3.2.2.pkg (or the version that matches your OS version)



Getting Started

Installing a GUI



How about RStudio

<https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/>



Getting Started I

Basic steps



```
2+5
```

```
## [1] 7
```

```
# Create a sequence of numbers
```

```
X = 2:10
```

```
# Display basic statistical measures
```

```
summary(X)
```

```
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##         2         4         6         6         8        10
```

```
# use q() to quit
```



Getting Started II

Basic steps





Getting Started I

Help Functions



To access the documentation type

```
help.start()  
help(summary)  
args(summary)  
example(sd)
```



Getting Started II

Help Functions





Help Functions

Search the Web



To search R documentation

```
RSiteSearch("key phrase")
```

Custom Google search focused on R-specific websites

```
http://rseek.org
```

Coding Q&A site

```
http://stackoverflow.com http://stats.stakexchange.com
```



Iterative development

Working Creatively



Some discussion recently on how to work creatively. Research out of successful R&D projects developed into Agile

- Keep the managements away
- work sustainably
- people over process
- iterative development



R Data types

Lists, frames and tables



Lists

- $l = c(1, 3, 4)$

- *bbb*



Lets read the table I

Check the current directory



Where are we

```
getwd()  
setwd("/Users/pcru")  
dir() #This lists the files  
ls()  #This lists the variables
```

<http://www.statmethods.net/input/contents.html>



Lets read the table I

Reading a table



To read a csv table as a table try

```
tab1 ← as.matrix(read.csv(file="filetable.csv", sep="," , header=FALSE))
```

But our table is an excel file

- What about a package?
- <http://www.thertrader.com/2014/02/11/a-million-ways-to-connect-r-and-excel/>
- Lets use the R package xlsx



R Packages I

CRAN



Where from

- install command
- `install.packages(pkgs)`

Citing Packages

<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/RefManageR/vignettes/TestRmd.html>



```
x<-citation()
toBibtex(x)

## @Manual{,
##   title = {R: A Language and Environment for Statistical Computing},
##   author = {{R Core Team}},
##   organization = {R Foundation for Statistical Computing},
##   address = {Vienna, Austria},
##   year = {2014},
##   url = {http://www.R-project.org/},
## }
```



Lets read the table I

An example

```
table1←read.xlsx2("1_R Wkshp_dummy data_OTU table.xlsx", sheetName =  
"Sheet1", header=FALSE, rowNames=FALSE, transpose=TRUE, endRow=18)
```

```
## Loading required package:  xlsx  
## Warning:  package 'xlsx' was built under R  
version 3.1.3  
## Loading required package:  rJava  
## Warning:  package 'rJava' was built under R  
version 3.1.3  
## Loading required package:  methods  
## Loading required package:  xlsxjars  
## Loading required package:  xtable
```



Lets read the table II

An example



	X1	X2	X3	X4	X5	X6	X7
1	Group	Contaminated					
2	Site	1			2		
3	Sample ID	10000	10001	10002	10003	10004	10005
4	Rep	1	2	3	1	2	3
5	phormidiaceae	24872	24872	5822	7538	7201	7538
6	streptococcaceae	11	7	14	8	10	8



Lets read the table III

An example



Lets read the table I

Transpose the table



Transposing

We need to transpose the table and set the column names correctly

```
table1t=setNames(data.frame(t(table1[,-1])),table1[,1])  
ctridx<-which(table1t$Group=="Control")  
table1t$Group[1:48]<-"Contaminated"  
table1t$Group[(ctridx+1):48]<-"Control"
```



Lets read the table II

Transpose the table

```
ttt<-table1t$Site
for(i in c(2:length(table1t$Site)))
{
temp<-as.character(table1t$Site[i])
tempb<-as.character(ttt[i-1])
if(table1t$Site[i]=="")
{
  ttt[i]<-tempb
}
if(!table1t$Site[(i)]=="")
{
  ttt[i]<-temp
}
}
table1t$Site<-ttt
```



Lets read the table III

Transpose the table



```
## X3
## 1
## Levels: 1 2 3 4 FALSE TRUE
## X4
## 1
## Levels: 1 2 3 4 FALSE TRUE
## X5
## 2
## Levels: 1 2 3 4 FALSE TRUE
## X6
## 2
## Levels: 1 2 3 4 FALSE TRUE
## X7
## 2
## Levels: 1 2 3 4 FALSE TRUE
## X8
## 1
```



Lets read the table I

Reading a table

- <http://www.statmethods.net/input/importingdata.html>
- Input files from Stata

```
library(foreign)  
mydata ← read.dta("c:/mydata.dta")
```




Lets read the next table I

Reading a table using xlsx



```

setwd("/Users/pcru/SizeDoesMatter1")
#dir()
table2<-read.xlsx2("2_R Wkshp_dummy data_Env Data.xlsx", sheetName =")

```

	Group	Site	Sample.ID	Rep	Spill.date
1	Contaminated	1	10000	1	14-May-14
2	Contaminated	1	10001	2	14-May-14
3	Contaminated	1	10002	3	14-May-14
4	Contaminated	2	10003	1	14-May-14
5	Contaminated	2	10004	2	14-May-14
6	Contaminated	2	10005	3	14-May-14



Lets read the next table II

Reading a table using `xlxs`





Lets read the next table

Reading a table



Oh NO All columns have been set to factors

lets break it down

First lets reed a few rows only



Lets read the next table II

Reading a table



```
table2<-read.xlsx2("2_R Wkshp_dummy data_Env Data.xlsx", sheetName =
sapply(table2,mode)
```

```
##           Group           Site      Sample.ID           Rep      Spill.d
## "character"      "numeric"    "numeric"      "character"    "character"
##      rowNames as.Data.frame
##      "logical"      "logical"
```

```
sapply(table2,class)
```

```
##           Group           Site      Sample.ID           Rep      Spill.d
## "character"      "numeric"    "numeric"      "character"    "character"
##      rowNames as.Data.frame
##      "logical"      "logical"
```



Lets read the next table III

Reading a table





Lets read the next table I

Setting the data types



colClasses

- The variable `colClasses` can be used to specify the row types.
- We need to set `stringsAsFactor=FALSE` or all columns will be loaded as factors
- The dates are in a non standard format so we need to read them as chars first

```
table2b<-read.xlsx2("2_R Wkshp_dummy data_Env Data.xlsx", sheetName =
  supply(table2,class))
```

```
##           Group           Site      Sample.ID           Rep      Spill.d
##  "character"    "numeric"    "numeric"    "character"    "character"
##      rowNames as.Data.frame
##      "logical"    "logical"
```



Lets read the next table II

Setting the data types





Lets read the next table I

Setting the Date Type





Lets read the next table II

Setting the Date Type



```

table2f<-table2
table2f$Spill.date<-as.Date(table2f$Spill.date,"%d-%b-%y")
table2f$Sample.collection.date<-as.Date(table2f$Sample.collection.date,"%d-%b-%y")

## Error in
as.Date.default(table2f$Sample.collection.date,
"%d.%m.%y"): do not know how to convert
'table2f$Sample.collection.date' to class "Date"

#sapply(table2f,mode)
sapply(table2f,class)

##           Group           Site      Sample.ID           Rep      Spill.d
## "character"    "numeric"    "numeric"    "character"    "Da
##      rowNames as.Data.frame
##      "logical"    "logical"

```



Lets read the next table I

Setting the Date Type



colClasses

- The as.Data method can take a format string as the second variable
- The format strings are described in help on strptime
- But Spill.data has **two formats**
- We can use the if else function to combine them



Lets read the next table II

Setting the Date Type



```

table2bf<-table2b
table2bf$Spill.date<-as.Date(table2bf$Spill.date,"%d-%b-%y")
cdate1<-as.Date(table2bf$Sample.collection.date,"%d.%m.%y")
cdate2<-as.Date(table2bf$Sample.collection.date,"%d/%m/%y")
table2bf$Sample.collection.date<-as.Date(ifelse(!is.na(cdate1),as.Date(cdate1),as.Date(cdate2)))
table2bf$Group<-as.factor(table2bf$Group)
table2bf$Rep<-as.factor(table2bf$Rep)
na_count <-sapply(table2bf, function(y) sum(length(which(is.na(y)))))
na_count

```

```

##              Group              Site              Sample.
##              0              0
##              Rep              Spill.date Sample.collection.da
##              0              24
##              labnum          phosphate..ppb.          ammonia..ppb
##              0              0
##              chlorophyll ug L              DO              rowNam

```



How to work with strings I

merge command

- `require(stringer)`
- `stri_c(str1, str2)` concatenates two string
- `stri_len(str)`



How to work with strings II

merge command



```
require(stringr)
table2bf$Rep<-str_replace(table2bf$Rep,"[rep]{3}?", "\\1")
table2bf$Rep<-str_replace(table2bf$Rep,"A","1")
table2bf$Rep<-str_replace(table2bf$Rep,"B","2")
table2bf$Rep<-str_replace(table2bf$Rep,"C","3")
table2bf$Rep<-as.factor(table2bf$Rep)
str(table2bf)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 48 obs. of 13 variables:
## $ Group : Factor w/ 2 levels "Contaminated",...: 1
## $ Site : num 1 1 1 2 2 2 1 1 1 2 ...
## $ Sample.ID : num 10000 10001 10002 10003 10004 ...
## $ Rep : Factor w/ 3 levels "1","2","3": 1 2 3 1
## $ Spill.date : Date, format: "2014-05-14" "2014-05-14"
## $ Sample.collection.date: Date, format: "2014-05-15" "2014-05-15"
## $ labnum : num 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 ...
## $ phosphate_ppb : num 3020 3253 3160 2000 2870
```



How to I merge two data sets I

Using the merge command



The inbuilt command merge

- R has a command merge
- Lets start looking at the first 9 lines of the tables and merge them using the Sample ID
- Because otherwise its not uniques

```
merge(x, y, by = intersect(names(x), names(y)),
      by.x = by, by.y = by, all = FALSE, all.x = all, all.y = all,
      sort = TRUE, suffixes = c(".x", ".y"),
      incomparables = NULL, ...)
```

```
tab1c<-table1t[1:9,]
tab2c<-table2b[1:9,]
m1<-merge(tab1c,tab2c,by.x="Sample ID",by.y="Sample.ID")
m2<-merge(table1t,table2b,by.x=c("Group","Site","Sample ID"),by.y=c("Sample ID",
```



R package I

RSQLite



RSQLite

- Suppose merge is not enough? I know about SQL and want to do joins
- Lets Install RSQLite
- We also need to install DBI



R package II

RQLite



```
## Loading required package: RSQLite
## Loading required package: gsubfn
## Loading required package: proto
## Warning in doTryCatch(return(expr), name,
parentenv, handler): unable to load shared object
'/Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Resources/modules//R_X11.so':
##
dlopen(/Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Resources/modules//R_X11.so,
6): Library not loaded: /opt/X11/lib/libSM.6.dylib
## Referenced from:
/Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Resources/modules//R_X11.so
## Reason: image not found
## Could not load tcltk. Will use slower R code
instead.
## Loading required package: chron
## Warning: package 'chron' was built under R
version 3.1.2
```




Reshaping Tables I

reshape2



reshape2

vignette(reshape)



Another important component of TDD is refactoring and unit tests

- Refactoring <http://refactoring.com/>
- <http://www.r-bloggers.com/my-experience-of-learning-r-from-basic-graphs-to-performance-tuning/>
- TDD in R <http://www.slideserve.com/andrew/test-driven-development-in-r>
- Version Control tortoiseSVN <http://tortoisesvn.net/>
- GitHub <https://github.com/>



Morning Tea Time

Back in 20min



Need coffee



Lunch Time

Back in 30 min



Provided



Adding a new column

Calculating the number of days



Using the *is.Date* command



How to I append two data sets





Another Break





Now lets have some fun

Making a heat map



What next

Proposed future talks



Your feedback on some ideas

- Using Sweave or Knitr
- Advanced Data Cleaning
- Network Centric data analysis



Resources

If you want to improve this style



LaTeX Beamer

<http://latex-beamer.sourceforge.net/>



Sharelatex Site

<https://www.sharelatex.com>



A Data Cleaning Mooc

<https://www.sharelatex.com>



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