



R Base Exercises

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Introduction

In this document you will find some exercises about these sections:

- Your First R session
- Data Objects
- Data Import from external sources
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- ullet Data Discovery with R
- ullet Data Visualization with R
- ullet Statistical Models with R
- $\bullet \quad Data\ Mining\ with\ R$

Your first R session

2.1 Aritmetic with R

2.1.1 Exercise 1

Calculate your body mass index dividing your body mass (kg) by the square of your body height (m) (kg/m^2)

```
65/1.7<sup>2</sup>
## [1] 22.49135
```

2.2 Assignment

2.2.1 Exercise 1

a. Assign your age (in number) to age variable.

```
age <- 26
```

c. Print out the value of the variable age.

```
age # o print(age)
## [1] 26
```

d. Remove the variable age from the workspace, by using rm() function.

```
rm(age)
```

2.2.2 Exercise 2

Suppose you want to buy 10 roses and 8 sunflowers in a flower shop. The roses cost 3 euros each and the sunflowers 2 euros each.

a. Assign the total cost of roses to roses_cost variable and the total cost of sunflowers to sunflowers_cost variable.

```
roses_cost <- 10 * 3
sunflowers_cost <- 8 * 2</pre>
```

b. Calculate the total cost of flowers by adding roses_cost and sunflowers_cost variables and assign it to flowers_cost variable.

```
flowers_cost <- roses_cost + sunflowers_cost</pre>
```

c. Print out the value of the variable flowers_cost.

```
flowers_cost
```

[1] 46

d. List the objects in the current R session, by using ls() function.

```
ls() # or objects()
```

Data Objects

3.1 Data Frames, Vectors and Factors

3.1.1 Exercise 1

```
a. Generate a data frame, named df, corresponding to:
```

```
df <- data.frame(country = c("Italy", "France", "China", "Japan", "Libya", "Cameroon"),</pre>
                population = c(59801004, 64668129, 1382323332, 126323715, 6330159, 23924407),
                 continent = c("Europe", "Europe", "Asia", "Asia", "Africa", "Africa"),
                 stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
df
      country population continent
## 1
      Italy 59801004
                           Europe
## 2
               64668129
      France
                            Europe
## 3
       China 1382323332
                             Asia
       Japan 126323715
                              Asia
## 5
       Libya
                            Africa
               6330159
## 6 Cameroon
                23924407
                            Africa
```

Remember to maintain character vectors as they are, specifying stringsAsFactors = FALSE.

```
## 2
               64668129
      France
                            Europe
## 3
       China 1382323332
                              Asia
        Japan 126323715
## 4
                              Asia
## 5
       Libya
                 6330159
                            Africa
## 6 Cameroon
                23924407
                            Africa
```

b. Supposing dplyr package is already installed, convert the previously defined data frame in tbl_df class.

```
require(dplyr)

df <- tbl_df(df)</pre>
```

3.1.2 Exercise 2

a. Generate a numeric vector, named num_vec, containing the values from 1 to 7.

```
num_vec \leftarrow c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)
```

b. Genarate a character vector, named char_vec with the days of the week.

```
char_vec <- c("Monday", "Tuesday", "Wednesday", "Thursday", "Friday", "Saturday", "Sunday")</pre>
```

c. Starting from the vector:

```
fac <- c("F", "F", "M", "M", "F", "F", "M")
```

Generate the corresponding factor, named fac, with two levels: "F" and "M"

```
fac <- factor(fac, levels = c("F", "M"))
fac

## [1] F F M M F F M
## Levels: F M</pre>
```

d. Generate a data frame, named df2, containing the previously defined: num_vec, char_vec and fac. Remember to maintain character vectors as they are, specifying stringsAsFactors = FALSE.

```
df <- data.frame(num_vec, char_vec, fac, stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
df</pre>
```

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```
num_vec char_vec fac
##
## 1
               Monday
           1
## 2
               Tuesday
## 3
           3 Wednesday
                         М
## 4
           4 Thursday
                         М
## 5
           5
                Friday
                         F
## 6
           6
             Saturday
                         F
## 7
           7
                Sunday
                         М
```

e. Supposing dplyr package is already installed and loaded, convert the previously defined data frame in tbl_df class.

```
df <- df %>% tbl_df()
df
## # A tibble: 7 x 3
     num_vec char_vec
##
       <dbl>
                 <chr> <fctr>
## 1
                Monday
           1
                            F
## 2
           2
               Tuesday
## 3
           3 Wednesday
           4 Thursday
## 4
                            Μ
           5
                            F
## 5
                Friday
                            F
## 6
           6 Saturday
## 7
          7
                Sunday
                            М
```

3.2 Matrices

3.2.1 Exercise 1

Generate a matrix, named mat, with 5 rows and 3 columns containing numbers from 1 to 15, using matrix() function.

```
mat <- matrix(1:15, nrow = 5, ncol = 3, byrow = TRUE)</pre>
mat
##
         [,1] [,2] [,3]
## [1,]
                 2
                       3
            1
## [2,]
            4
                 5
                       6
## [3,]
           7
                 8
                       9
          10
                11
## [4,]
                      12
## [5,]
           13
                14
                      15
```

3.3 Lists

3.3.1 Exercise 1

Generate a list, named my_list that contains the following R elements:

```
char <- "Veronica"</pre>
mat \leftarrow matrix(1:9, ncol = 3)
log_vec <- c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, TRUE)</pre>
my_list <- list(char <- "Veronica",</pre>
              mat = matrix(1:9, ncol = 3),
              log_vec = c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, TRUE))
my_list
## [[1]]
## [1] "Veronica"
##
## $mat
       [,1] [,2] [,3]
##
         1 4 7
## [1,]
## [2,]
        2 5
                     8
## [3,]
             6
                     9
         3
##
## $log_vec
## [1] TRUE FALSE TRUE TRUE
```

Data Import from external sources

First of all, set your working directory in the data folder, using setwd() function, like in this example

```
setwd("C:/Users/Veronica/Documents/rbase/data")
```

We will work inside this folder.

4.1 Text Files

4.1.1 Exercise 1

a. Import text file named "tuscany.txt" and save it in an R object named tuscany_df.

Open the text file before importing it to control if the first row contains column names and to control the field and the decimal separator characters. Remember to not import the character columns as factors.

b. Visualize the first rows of tuscany_df

head(tuscany_df)

```
## id sex year_of_birth marital_status income house_number
## 1 1 M 1969 married 16101.1 5144.0
## 2 2 M 1962 single 17220.0 6158.0
## 3 3 M 1965 divorcee 28801.9 10078.0
```

##	4	4 F		1968	si	ngle	25964.0	1	11133.7
##	5	5 M		1975	mar	ried	16522.5		5078.0
##	6	6 M		1977	mar	ried	18124.0		5115.0
##				city_name	province	provi	ncial_a	cronym	
##	1			${\tt Riparbella}$	Pisa			PI	
##	2			Capolona	Arezzo			AR	
##	3			Pomarance	Pisa			PI	
##	4			Cascina	Pisa			PI	
##	5			Quarrata	Pistoia			PT	
##	6	Castig	lion	Fiorentino	Arezzo			AR	

4.1.2 Exercise 2

a. Import text file named "solar.txt" and save it in an R object solar_df.

Open the text file before importing it to control if the first row contains column names and to control the field and the decimal separator characters. Remember to not import the character columns as factors.

b. Visualize the first rows of solar_df.

```
head(solar_df)
```

```
## V1 V2 V3 V4
## 1 gen 25677 24677 24567
## 2 feb 24044 25988 24376
## 3 mar 23877 24671 22455
## 4 apr 24377 23677 23670
## 5 mag 24581 25476 24999
## 6 giu 22154 21998 22451
```

4.2 Excel Files

4.2.1 Exercise 1

a. Import iris sheet of .xlsx file "flowers.xlsx" by using read_excel function of readxl package and save it in a R object named flowers.

Remember to load read_excel package, supposing it is already installed.

```
require(readxl)
```

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```
flowers <-read_excel(path = "flowers.xlsx", sheet = 'iris', col_names = TRUE)</pre>
b. Visualize the first rows of flowers
head(flowers)
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
            <dbl>
                                                 <dbl>
##
                        <dbl>
                                     <dbl>
                                                         <chr>
## 1
              5.1
                         3.5
                                      1.4
                                                   0.2 setosa
## 2
             4.9
                         3.0
                                      1.4
                                                   0.2 setosa
## 3
             4.7
                         3.2
                                      1.3
                                                  0.2 setosa
## 4
             4.6
                         3.1
                                      1.5
                                                   0.2 setosa
             5.0
                         3.6
                                      1.4
                                                   0.2 setosa
## 5
## 6
             5.4
                         3.9
                                      1.7
                                                   0.4 setosa
```

4.3 Databases

4.3.1 Exercise 1

[1] "weight" "group"

a. Connect to "plant.sqlite" SQLite database, using dbConnect() function of RSQLite package. Save the connection in an R object, named con.

Remember to load RSQLite package, supposing it is already installed.

```
require(RSQLite)
con <- dbConnect(RSQLite::SQLite(), "plant.sqlite")
b. See the list of available tables in "plant.sqlite" db, using dbListTables() function.
dbListTables(con)
## [1] "PlantGrowth"
c. See list of fields in "PlantGrowth" table of "plant.sqlite" db, using dbListFields() function.
dbListFields(con, name = "PlantGrowth")</pre>
```

d. Send query to "PlantGrowth" table of "plant.sqlite" which select the records with weight greater than 5.5.

```
dbGetQuery(con, "SELECT * FROM PlantGrowth WHERE weight >= 5.5")
```

```
weight group
##
## 1 5.58 ctrl
## 2
      6.11 ctrl
      5.87 trt1
## 3
      6.03 trt1
## 4
      6.31 trt2
## 5
## 6
      5.54 trt2
## 7
     5.50 trt2
## 8
     6.15 trt2
## 9
     5.80 trt2
```

e. Disconnect from the database, using ${\tt dbDisconnect}$ () function.

```
dbDisconnect(con)
```

Data Manipulation with R

Load dplyr package, supposing it is already installed.

```
require(dplyr)
```

5.1 Data

All the following exercises are based on the nycflights13 data, taken from the nycflights13 package.

So first of all, install and load this package

```
install.packages("nycflights13")
require(nycflights13)
```

The nycflights13 package contains information about all flights that departed from NYC (e.g. EWR, JFK and LGA) in 2013: 336,776 flights in total.

```
ls(pos = "package:nycflights13")
## [1] "airlines" "airports" "flights" "planes" "weather"
```

To help understand what causes delays, it includes a number of useful datasets:

- flights: information about all flights that departed from NYC
- weather: hourly meterological data for each airport;
- planes: construction information about each plane;
- airports: airport names and locations;

• airlines: translation between two letter carrier codes and names.

Let us explore the features of flights datasets, which will be used in the following exercises.

```
data("flights")
```

5.1.1 flights

This dataset contains on-time data for all flights that departed from NYC (i.e. JFK, LGA or EWR) in 2013. The data frame has 16 variables and 336776 observations. The variables are organised as follow:

- Date of departure: year, month, day;
- Departure and arrival times (local tz): dep_time, arr_time;
- Departure and arrival delays, in minutes: dep_delay, arr_delay (negative times represent early departures/arrivals);
- Time of departure broken in to hour and minutes: hour, minute;
- Two letter carrier abbreviation: carrier;
- Plane tail number: tailnum;
- Flight number: flight;
- Origin and destination: origin, dest;
- Amount of time spent in the air: air_time;
- Distance flown: distance.

```
dim(flights)
```

```
## [1] 336776 16
```

head(flights)

```
year month day dep_time dep_delay arr_time arr_delay carrier tailnum flight
## 1 2013
                  1
                          517
                                      2
                                              830
                                                         11
                                                                     N14228
                                                                               1545
              1
## 2 2013
                          533
                                              850
                                                         20
                                                                     N24211
              1
                  1
                                                                 UA
                                                                               1714
                                                                     N619AA
## 3 2013
                  1
                          542
                                      2
                                              923
                                                         33
                                                                               1141
              1
                                                                  AA
## 4 2013
                          544
                                             1004
                                                        -18
                                                                     N804JB
                                                                                725
              1
                  1
                                     -1
                                                                 B6
## 5 2013
              1
                  1
                          554
                                     -6
                                              812
                                                        -25
                                                                  DL
                                                                      N668DN
                                                                                 461
                          554
                                                         12
                                                                     N39463
                                                                               1696
## 6 2013
              1
                  1
                                     -4
                                              740
                                                                 UA
##
     origin dest air_time distance hour minute
## 1
        EWR IAH
                       227
                                1400
                                         5
                                               17
## 2
        LGA IAH
                       227
                                1416
                                         5
                                               33
```

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```
160
                            42
## 3
     JFK MIA
                    1089
                        5
## 4
     JFK BQN
             183
                   1576 5
                             44
## 5
     LGA ATL
             116
                    762 5
                              54
## 6
   EWR ORD
             150
                     719
                        5
                              54
```

str(flights)

```
## Classes 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame': 336776 obs. of 16 variables:
## $ month : int 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ day : int 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ dep_time : int 517 533 542 544 554 554 555 557 557 558 ...
## $ dep_delay: num 2 4 2 -1 -6 -4 -5 -3 -3 -2 ...
## $ arr time : int 830 850 923 1004 812 740 913 709 838 753 ...
## $ arr_delay: num 11 20 33 -18 -25 12 19 -14 -8 8 ...
## $ carrier : chr "UA" "UA" "AA" "B6" ...
## $ tailnum : chr "N14228" "N24211" "N619AA" "N804JB" ...
## $ flight : int 1545 1714 1141 725 461 1696 507 5708 79 301 ...
## \$ origin : chr "EWR" "LGA" "JFK" "JFK" ...
## $ dest : chr "IAH" "IAH" "MIA" "BQN" ...
## $ air_time : num 227 227 160 183 116 150 158 53 140 138 ...
## $ distance : num 1400 1416 1089 1576 762 ...
## $ hour : num 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 ...
## $ minute : num 17 33 42 44 54 54 55 57 57 58 ...
```

5.2 select()

5.2.1 Exercise 1

Extract the following information:

- month;
- day;
- air_time;
- distance.

```
select(flights, month, day, air_time, distance)
```

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 4
##
     month day air_time distance
##
     <int> <int>
                 <dbl>
                           <dbl>
## 1
        1
           1
                    227
                            1400
##
   2
        1
              1
                    227
                            1416
## 3
        1
                    160
                            1089
              1
## 4
        1
             1
                    183
                            1576
## 5
             1
                    116
                            762
## 6
                    150
                            719
        1
             1
## 7
                    158
                            1065
        1
             1
## 8
                             229
                     53
        1
              1
## 9
        1
              1
                    140
                             944
## 10
        1
              1
                    138
                             733
## # ... with 336,766 more rows
```

```
 \begin{tabular}{ll} \# \ flights \ \% > \% \ select(month, \ day, \ air\_time, \ distance) \\ \end{tabular}
```

5.2.2 Exercise 2

Extract all information about flights except hour and minute.

```
select(flights, -c(hour, minute))
```

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 17
##
    year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time sched_arr_time
##
    <int> <int> <int>
                     <int> <int> <int> <int> <int>
## 1 2013
                       517
                                  515
                                           2
                                                 830
                                                             819
           1
                 1
## 2 2013
           1
                 1
                       533
                                  529
                                           4
                                                 850
                                                             830
                                  540
                                                 923
## 3 2013
           1
                1
                      542
                                            2
                                                             850
## 4 2013 1 1
                     544
                                  545
                                           -1
                                                1004
                                                            1022
```

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```
## 5 2013
                                         600
                                                    -6
                                                                          837
             1 1
                           554
                                                            812
## 6 2013
                           554
                                         558
                                                    -4
                                                           740
                                                                          728
             1
                    1
## 7 2013
                           555
                                         600
                                                    -5
                                                            913
                                                                          854
               1
                    1
## 8 2013
                           557
                                         600
                                                    -3
                                                            709
                                                                          723
               1
                    1
## 9 2013
                           557
                                                    -3
                                                                          846
               1
                    1
                                         600
                                                            838
## 10 2013
               1
                    1
                           558
                                         600
                                                    -2
                                                            753
                                                                          745
\#\# # ... with 336,766 more rows, and 9 more variables: arr_delay <dbl>,
      carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
      air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>
```

```
# flights %>% select(-c(hour, minute))
```

5.2.3 Exercise 3

Extract tailnum variable and rename it into tail_num

```
select(flights, tail_num=tailnum)
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 1
##
     tail_num
##
        <chr>
       N14228
## 1
## 2
      N24211
## 3
      N619AA
## 4
      N804JB
## 5
      N668DN
##
   6
       N39463
## 7
      N516JB
## 8 N829AS
## 9
      N593JB
## 10
      N3ALAA
## # ... with 336,766 more rows
```

```
# flights %>% select(tail_num=tailnum)
```

5.3 filter()

5.3.1 Exercise 1

Select all flights which delayed more than 1000 minutes at departure.

```
filter(flights, dep_delay > 1000)
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 19
     year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time sched_arr_time
    <int> <int> <int>
                                        <int>
                          <int>
                                                  <dbl>
                                                           <int>
## 1 2013
                           641
                                          900
                                                   1301
                                                            1242
                                                                           1530
              1
                    9
## 2 2013
                                                                           1810
              1
                   10
                          1121
                                         1635
                                                   1126
                                                            1239
## 3 2013
              6
                   15
                          1432
                                         1935
                                                   1137
                                                            1607
                                                                           2120
## 4 2013
              7
                   22
                           845
                                         1600
                                                   1005
                                                            1044
                                                                           1815
## 5 2013
              9
                   20
                          1139
                                         1845
                                                   1014
                                                            1457
                                                                           2210
## # ... with 11 more variables: arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>, flight <int>,
## # tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>, air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>,
     hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>
```

```
# flights %>% filter(dep_delay > 1000)
```

5.3.2 Exercise 2

Select all flights which delayed more than 1000 minutes at departure or at arrival.

```
filter(flights, dep_delay > 1000 | arr_delay >1000)
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 19
##
     year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time sched_arr_time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                          <int>
                                         <int>
                                                   <dbl>
                                                            <int>
                                                                           <int>
## 1 2013
              1
                     9
                           641
                                          900
                                                    1301
                                                             1242
                                                                           1530
## 2 2013
               1
                    10
                           1121
                                          1635
                                                    1126
                                                             1239
                                                                           1810
## 3 2013
               6
                    15
                           1432
                                          1935
                                                    1137
                                                             1607
                                                                           2120
## 4 2013
               7
                    22
                            845
                                          1600
                                                    1005
                                                             1044
                                                                           1815
                    20
                           1139
                                          1845
                                                    1014
                                                             1457
## # ... with 11 more variables: arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>, flight <int>,
     tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>, air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>,
## #
      hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>, time hour <dttm>
```

```
# flights %>% filter(dep_delay > 1000 | arr_delay >1000)
```

5.3.3 Exercise 3

Select all flights which took off from "EWR" and landed in "IAH".

```
filter(flights, origin == "EWR" & dest == "IAH")
## # A tibble: 3,973 x 19
##
     year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time sched_arr_time
                                                  <dbl>
                                                                         <int>
##
      <int> <int> <int>
                          <int>
                                         <int>
                                                           <int>
## 1 2013
              1
                            517
                                          515
                                                             830
                                                                           819
```

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```
## 2 2013
                                            739
                1
                      1
                             739
                                                        0
                                                              1104
                                                                              1038
## 3 2013
                                            908
                                                                              1219
                1
                      1
                             908
                                                        0
                                                              1228
## 4 2013
                            1044
                                           1045
                                                        -1
                1
                      1
                                                               1352
                                                                              1351
## 5 2013
                            1205
                                           1200
                                                        5
                                                              1503
                                                                              1505
                1
                      1
## 6 2013
                1
                      1
                            1356
                                           1350
                                                        6
                                                               1659
                                                                              1640
##
  7 2013
                1
                      1
                            1527
                                           1515
                                                        12
                                                               1854
                                                                              1810
## 8 2013
                1
                      1
                            1620
                                           1620
                                                        0
                                                               1945
                                                                              1922
## 9 2013
                            1725
                                           1720
                                                        5
                                                               2045
                                                                              2021
                1
                      1
## 10 2013
                            1959
                                           2000
                                                               2310
                                                                              2307
                1
                      1
                                                        -1
```

... with 3,963 more rows, and 11 more variables: arr_delay <dbl>,

carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,

air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>

```
# flights %>% filter(origin == "EWR" & dest == "IAH")
```

5.4 arrange()

5.4.1 Exercise 1

Sort the flights in chronological order.

arrange(flights, year, month, day)

A tibble: 336,776 x 19

year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time sched_arr_time ## <int> <int> <int> <int> <int> <dbl> <int> ## 1 2013 ## 2 2013 ## 3 2013 ## 4 2013 -1 ## 5 2013 -6 ## 6 2013 -4 ## 7 2013 -5 ## 8 2013 -3 ## 9 2013 -3 ## 10 2013 -2

... with 336,766 more rows, and 11 more variables: arr_delay <dbl>,

carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,

air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>

[#] flights %>% arrange(year, month, day)

5.4.2 Exercise 2

Sort the flights by decreasing arrival delay.

arrange(flights, desc(arr_delay))

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 19
##
      year month
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time sched_arr_time
##
      <int> <int> <int>
                            <int>
                                           <int>
                                                      <dbl>
                                                               <int>
                                                                              <int>
##
    1 2013
                              641
                                             900
                                                      1301
                                                                1242
                                                                               1530
                1
                      9
##
   2 2013
                6
                      15
                             1432
                                            1935
                                                       1137
                                                                1607
                                                                               2120
##
   3 2013
                1
                                            1635
                                                                1239
                      10
                             1121
                                                       1126
                                                                               1810
   4 2013
##
                      20
                             1139
                                            1845
                                                       1014
                                                                1457
                                                                               2210
##
    5 2013
                7
                      22
                              845
                                            1600
                                                       1005
                                                                1044
                                                                               1815
    6
       2013
##
                4
                      10
                             1100
                                            1900
                                                       960
                                                                1342
                                                                               2211
##
    7
       2013
                3
                      17
                             2321
                                             810
                                                       911
                                                                 135
                                                                               1020
                7
##
    8
       2013
                      22
                             2257
                                             759
                                                       898
                                                                 121
                                                                               1026
##
   9 2013
                12
                      5
                             756
                                            1700
                                                       896
                                                                1058
                                                                               2020
## 10 2013
                5
                       3
                             1133
                                            2055
                                                       878
                                                                1250
                                                                               2215
## # ... with 336,766 more rows, and 11 more variables: arr_delay <dbl>,
        carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
      air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>
## #
```

flights %>% arrange(desc(arr_delay))

5.4.3 Exercise 3

Sort the flights by origin (in alphabetical order) and decreasing arrival delay.

arrange(flights, origin, desc(arr_delay))

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 19
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time sched_arr_time
##
      year month
##
      <int> <int> <int>
                                                       <dbl>
                                                                 <int>
                                                                                <int>
                             <int>
                                             <int>
##
    1 2013
                      10
                             1121
                                             1635
                                                        1126
                                                                 1239
                                                                                 1810
                 1
##
    2
       2013
                12
                       5
                              756
                                             1700
                                                         896
                                                                 1058
                                                                                 2020
       2013
                 5
                       3
                                                         878
##
    3
                             1133
                                             2055
                                                                 1250
                                                                                 2215
    4 2013
                12
##
                      19
                              734
                                             1725
                                                         849
                                                                 1046
                                                                                 2039
##
    5 2013
                12
                      17
                              705
                                             1700
                                                         845
                                                                 1026
                                                                                 2020
##
    6 2013
                11
                       3
                              603
                                             1645
                                                         798
                                                                  829
                                                                                 1913
    7 2013
##
                 2
                      24
                             1921
                                              615
                                                         786
                                                                 2135
                                                                                  842
##
    8 2013
                                              900
                                                         702
                                                                 2255
                10
                      14
                             2042
                                                                                 1127
##
       2013
                 7
                      21
                             1555
                                              615
                                                         580
                                                                 1955
                                                                                  910
    9
                 7
## 10 2013
                       7
                             2123
                                             1030
                                                         653
                                                                   17
                                                                                 1345
```

... with 336,766 more rows, and 11 more variables: arr_delay <dbl>,

carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,

air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>

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flights %>% arrange(origin, desc(arr_delay))

Data Discovery with R

Load dplyr package, supposing it is already installed.

```
require(dplyr)
```

6.1 Data

Also these exercises are based on the nycflights13 data, taken from the nycflights13 package. Load nycflights13 package, supposing it is already installed.

```
require(nycflights13)
```

The nycflights13 package contains information about all flights that departed from NYC (e.g. EWR, JFK and LGA) in 2013: 336,776 flights in total. For more information see Data Manipulation with R section.

The following exercises refers to flights dataset:

```
data("flights")
```

6.2 Descriptive statistics with summarise() and group_by()

6.2.1 Exercise 1

Calculate the mean delay at arrival (arr_delay variable). Remember to add na.rm=TRUE option to all calculations.

```
summarise(flights, mean_delay = mean(arr_delay, na.rm=TRUE))
```

6.2.2 Exercise 2

Calculate the summary (minimum, first quartile, median, mean, third quartile, maximum and standard deviation) of delay at departure (dep_delay variable) for flights. Remember to add na.rm=TRUE option to mean calculations.

```
flights %>%
 summarise(min=min(dep_delay, na.rm = TRUE),
         first_q=quantile(dep_delay, prob = 0.25, na.rm = TRUE),
         median=median(dep_delay, na.rm = TRUE),
         mean=mean(dep_delay, na.rm =TRUE),
         third_q=quantile(dep_delay, prob = 0.75, na.rm = TRUE),
         max=max(dep_delay, na.rm = TRUE),
         sd=sd(dep_delay, na.rm =TRUE))
## # A tibble: 1 x 7
##
      min first_q median
                             mean third_q
                                                      sd
                                            max
            <dbl> <dbl>
                                    <dbl> <dbl>
##
    <dbl>
                            <dbl>
## 1
     -43
               -5
                     -2 12.63907
                                     11 1301 40.21006
```

6.2.3 Exercise 3

Calculate minimum and maximum delay at departure (arr_delay variable) for flights by month. Remember to add na.rm=TRUE option to all calculations.

```
flights %>%
 group_by(month) %>%
 summarise(min_delay = min(dep_delay, na.rm=TRUE),
    max_delay = max(dep_delay, na.rm=TRUE))
## # A tibble: 12 x 3
##
     month min_delay max_delay
##
      <int> <dbl>
                         <dbl>
##
   1
         1
                 -30
                          1301
                 -33
## 2
         2
                           853
## 3
         3
                 -25
                           911
## 4
         4
                 -21
                           960
```

```
-24
##
    5
           5
                               878
    6
           6
                    -21
##
                              1137
##
    7
           7
                    -22
                              1005
##
    8
           8
                    -26
                               520
           9
                    -24
##
    9
                              1014
## 10
          10
                    -25
                               702
## 11
          11
                    -32
                               798
## 12
          12
                    -43
                               896
```

6.3 Multiple operations

6.3.1 Exercise 1

For each destination (dest variable), compute the mean delay at arrival (arr_delay variable) and filter the mean delays greater than 30 minutes.

Remember to add na.rm=TRUE option to mean calculations.

```
flights %>% group_by(dest) %>%
  summarise(mean_arr_delay = mean(arr_delay, na.rm=TRUE)) %>%
  filter(mean_arr_delay > 30)
## # A tibble: 3 x 2
      dest mean_arr_delay
##
##
     <chr>
                    <dbl>
## 1
                 41.76415
       CAE
## 2
       OKC
                 30.61905
## 3
       TUL
                 33.65986
```

6.3.2 Exercise 2

Filter the observations recorded on June 13 and count the number of flights (use n() function inside summarise()) for each destination. Then sort the result in ascending order.

```
flights %>% filter(month == 6 & day == 13) %>%
  group_by(dest) %>%
  summarise(n_flight = n()) %>%
  arrange(n_flight)
## # A tibble: 89 x 2
##
       dest n_flight
##
      <chr>
              <int>
##
        ABQ
   1
##
   2
        ACK
```

```
## 3 ALB 1
## 4 AVL 1
## 5 BGR 1
## 6 BHM 1
## 7 BUR 1
## 8 CAE 1
## 9 GRR 1
## 10 MSN 1
## # ... with 79 more rows
```

Data Visualization with ggplot2

Load ggplot2 package, supposing it is already installed.

```
require(ggplot2)
```

7.1 Data

7.1.1 iris

Almost all the following exercises are based on the iris dataset, taken from the datasets package.

It is a base package so it is already installed and loaded.

```
data("iris")
```

This dataset gives the measurements in centimeters of length and width of sepal and petal, respectively, for 50 flowers from each of 3 species of iris. The species are Iris setosa, versicolor, and virginica.

iris dataset contains the following variables:

- Sepal.Length: length of iris sepal
- Sepal.Width: width of iris sepal
- Petal.Length: length of iris petal
- Petal.Width: width of iris petal
- Species: species of iris

dim(iris)

```
## [1] 150 5
```

head(iris)

```
Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
## 1
            5.1
                        3.5
                                   1.4
                                              0.2 setosa
## 2
            4.9
                                   1.4
                                               0.2 setosa
                       3.0
## 3
            4.7
                       3.2
                                   1.3
                                               0.2 setosa
## 4
            4.6
                       3.1
                                   1.5
                                               0.2 setosa
## 5
            5.0
                       3.6
                                   1.4
                                               0.2 setosa
## 6
            5.4
                       3.9
                                   1.7
                                               0.4 setosa
```

str(iris)

```
## 'data.frame': 150 obs. of 5 variables:
## $ Sepal.Length: num 5.1 4.9 4.7 4.6 5 5.4 4.6 5 4.4 4.9 ...
## $ Sepal.Width : num 3.5 3 3.2 3.1 3.6 3.9 3.4 3.4 2.9 3.1 ...
## $ Petal.Length: num 1.4 1.4 1.3 1.5 1.4 1.7 1.4 1.5 1.4 1.5 ...
## $ Petal.Width : num 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.4 0.3 0.2 0.2 0.1 ...
## $ Species : Factor w/ 3 levels "setosa", "versicolor", ..: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
```

7.1.2 mpg

Some of the exercises are based on mpg dataset, taken from the ggplot2 package.

```
data("mpg")
```

This dataset contains the fuel economy data from 1999 and 2008 for 38 popular models of car. mpg dataset contains the following variables:

- manufacturer
- model
- displ: engine displacement, in litres
- year
- cyl: number of cylinders
- trans: type of transmission
- drv: drivetrain type, f = front-wheel drive, r = rear wheel drive, 4 = 4wd
- cty: city miles per gallon

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```
• hwy: highway miles per gallon
 • fl: fuel type
dim(mpg)
## [1] 234 11
head(mpg)
## # A tibble: 6 x 11
## manufacturer model displ year cyl trans drv cty hwy fl
## <chr> <chr< <chr> <chr> <chr< <chr< <chr> <chr< <chr< <chr> <chr< <chr< <chr< <chr> <chr< 
                            audi a4 1.8 1999 4 auto(15) f 18
## 1
                                                                                                                                                                          29 p
## 2
                            audi a4 1.8 1999
                                                                                                4 manual(m5)
                                                                                                                                            f
                                                                                                                                                           21
                                                                                                                                                                          29
## 3
                            audi a4 2.0 2008 4 manual(m6)
                                                                                                                                           f 20
                                                                                                                                                                          31
                                                                                                                                                                                            р
## 4
                            audi a4 2.0 2008 4 auto(av)
                                                                                                                                           f 21
                                                                                                                                                                          30
                                                                                                                                                                                            р
                            audi a4 2.8 1999 6 auto(15)
## 5
                                                                                                                                          f 16
                                                                                                                                                                          26
                                                                                                                                                                                            р
                                                   a4 2.8 1999 6 manual(m5) f 18
## 6
                              audi
                                                                                                                                                                          26
                                                                                                                                                                                            р
## # ... with 1 more variables: class <chr>
str(mpg)
## Classes 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame':
                                                                                                                        234 obs. of 11 variables:
## $ manufacturer: chr "audi" "audi" "audi" "audi" ...
## $ model : chr "a4" "a4" "a4" "a4" ...
## $ displ
                                         : num 1.8 1.8 2 2 2.8 2.8 3.1 1.8 1.8 2 ...
## $ year
                                        : int 1999 1999 2008 2008 1999 1999 2008 1999 1999 2008 ...
                                        : int 4444666444 ...
## $ cyl
                                        : chr "auto(15)" "manual(m5)" "manual(m6)" "auto(av)" ...
## $ trans
                                           : chr "f" "f" "f" "f" ...
## $ drv
## $ cty
                                        : int 18 21 20 21 16 18 18 18 16 20 ...
## $ hwy
                                        : int 29 29 31 30 26 26 27 26 25 28 ...
```

: chr "p" "p" "p" "p" ...

: chr "compact" "compact" "compact" ...

\$ fl ## \$ class

7.2 Scatterplot

7.2.1 Exercise 1

Let us consider iris dataset.

a. Generate a scatterplot to analyze the relationship between Sepal.Width and Sepal.Length variables.

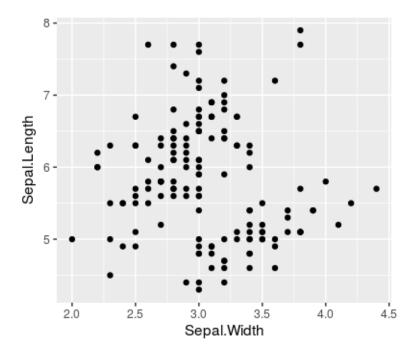


Figure 7.1: plot of chunk ex1a-scatterplot

b. Map Species to colour in aes().

```
pl <- ggplot(data = iris, mapping = aes(x=Sepal.Width, y=Sepal.Length, colour=Species)) +
    geom_point()
pl</pre>
```

c. Add the title to the plot: "Scatterplot of Petal.Width and Petal.Length" (use ggtitle() function).

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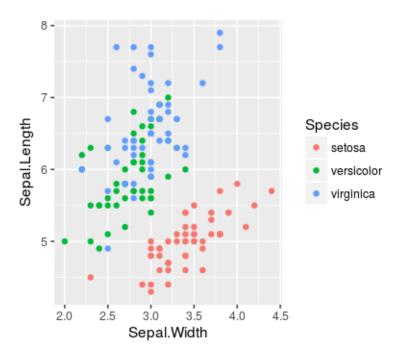


Figure 7.2: plot of chunk ex1b-scatterplot

```
pl <- ggplot(data = iris, mapping = aes(x=Sepal.Width, y=Sepal.Length, colour=Species)) +
    geom_point() +
    ggtitle("Scatterplot of Petal.Width and Petal.Length")

d. Customize plot title by adding theme(plot.title = element_text()) to the plot and
    setting colour argument to "red", size to 16 and face to "bold".

pl <- ggplot(data = iris, mapping = aes(x=Sepal.Width, y=Sepal.Length, colour=Species)) +
    geom_point() +
    ggtitle("Scatterplot of Petal.Width and Petal.Length") +
    theme(plot.title = element_text(colour = "red", size = 16, face = "bold"))

pl</pre>
```

7.3 Barplot

7.3.1 Exercise 1

Let us consider mpg dataset.

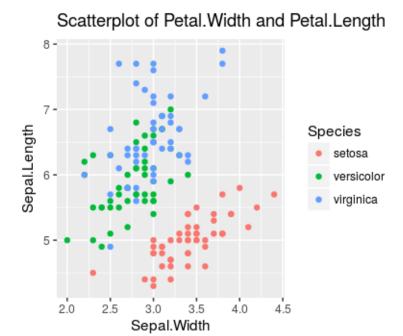


Figure 7.3: plot of chunk ex1c-scatterplot

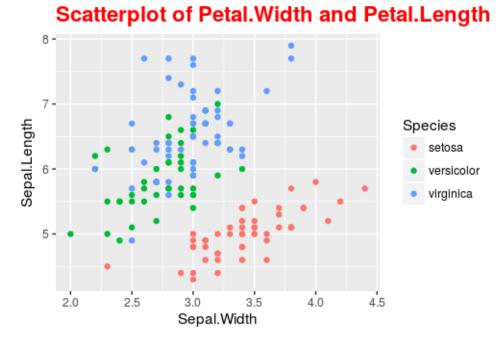


Figure 7.4: plot of chunk ex1d-scatterplot

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a. Represent graphically with a barplot the number of cars for each class.

```
pl <- ggplot(mpg, aes(class)) +
   geom_bar()
pl</pre>
```

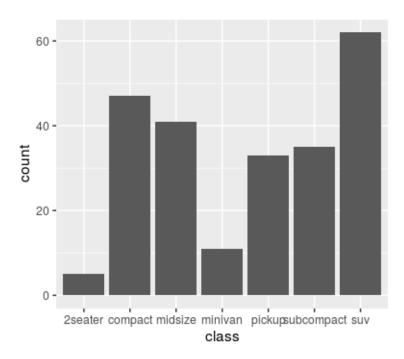


Figure 7.5: plot of chunk ex2a-bargraph

b. Represent graphically with a barplot, the distribution of manufacturer for each class (map manufacturer variable to fill).

```
pl <- ggplot(mpg, aes(class, fill=manufacturer)) +
   geom_bar()
pl</pre>
```

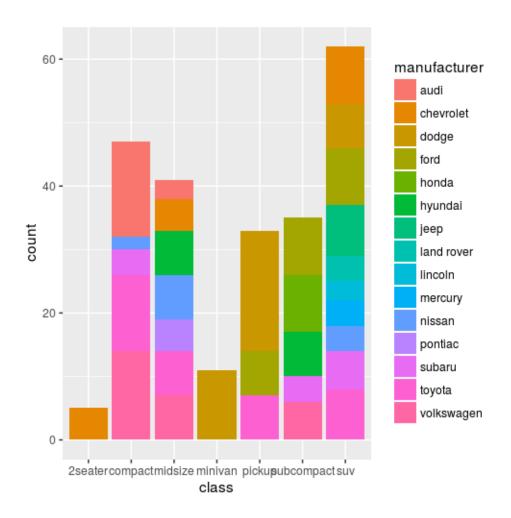


Figure 7.6: plot of chunk ex2b-bargraph

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7.4 Histogram

7.4.1 Exercise 1

Let us consider iris dataset.

a. Represent the distribution of ${\tt Sepal_Length}$ variable with an histogram.

```
pl <- ggplot(data=iris, aes(x=Sepal.Length)) +
        geom_histogram()
pl</pre>
```

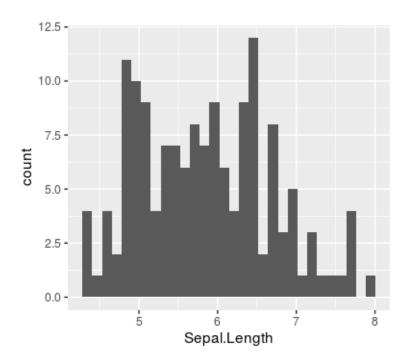


Figure 7.7: plot of chunk ex3a-histogram

b. Represent each level of Species variable in a different panel. Use facet_grid() function.

```
pl <- ggplot(data=iris, aes(x=Sepal.Length)) +
    geom_histogram() +
    facet_grid(. ~ Species)
pl</pre>
```

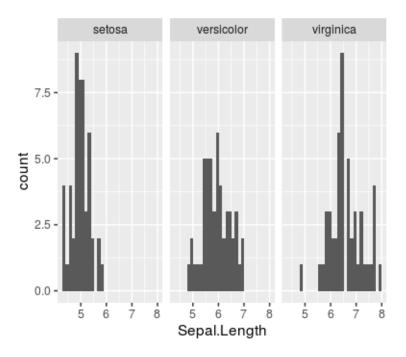


Figure 7.8: plot of chunk ex3b-histogram

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7.5 Boxplot

7.5.1 Exercise 1

Let us consider iris dataset.

a. Build a boxplot to compare the differences of sepal width accordingly to the type of iris species.

```
pl <- ggplot(data=iris, aes(x=Species, y=Sepal.Width)) +
   geom_boxplot()
pl</pre>
```

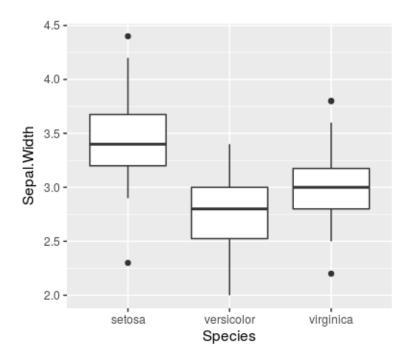


Figure 7.9: plot of chunk ex4a-boxplot

b. Set the fill colour of boxes as "#00FFFF", the lines colour of boxes as "#0000FF" and the outliers colour as "red".

```
pl <- ggplot(data=iris, aes(x=Species, y=Sepal.Width)) +
   geom_boxplot(fill="#00FFFF", colour="#0000FF", outlier.colour = "red")
pl</pre>
```

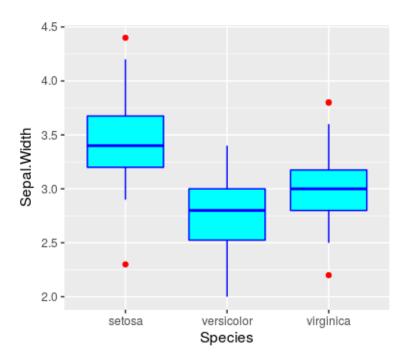


Figure 7.10: plot of chunk ex4b-boxplot

c. Add the plot title: "Boxplot of Sepal.Width vs Species".

```
pl <- ggplot(data=iris, aes(x=Species, y=Sepal.Width)) +
   geom_boxplot(fill="#00FFFF", colour="#0000FF", outlier.colour = "red") +
   ggtitle("Boxplot of Sepal.Width vs Species")
pl</pre>
```

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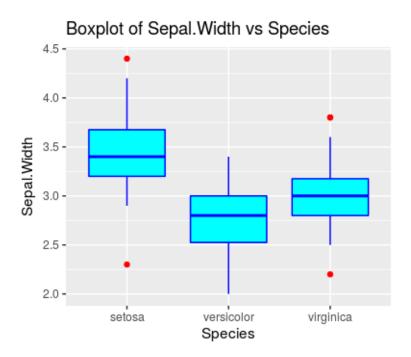


Figure 7.11: plot of chunk ex4c-boxplot

7.6 Lineplot

7.6.1 Exercise 1

Let us suppose that the observations on iris are taken along time. So let us consider the following dataset, named iris2, in which time variable is added:

```
require(dplyr)
iris2 <- iris %>% mutate(time=1:150)
```

a. Build a lineplot to visualize the measures of Sepal.Length variable along time.

```
ggplot(data = iris2, mapping = aes(y=Sepal.Width, x= time)) +
  geom_line()
```

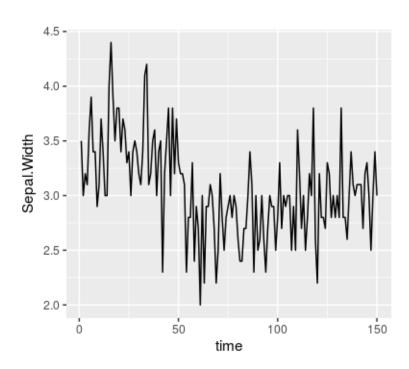


Figure 7.12: plot of chunk ex5b-lineplot

Chapter 8

Statistical models

Before starting the exercises, load the following libraries, supposing they are already installed.

```
require(dplyr)
require(ggplot2)
require(qdata)
```

8.1 Linear Models

8.1.1 Exercise 1

data(paint)

The number of impurities (lumps) present in the containers of paint depends on the rate of agitation applied to the container. A researcher wants to determine the relation between the rate of agitation and the number of lumps, so he conducts an experiment. He applies different rates of agitation (Stirrate) to 12 containers of paint and he counts the number of impurities (lumps) present in the containers of paint (Impurity).

```
head(paint)
## # A tibble: 6 x 2
##
     Stirrate Impurity
##
        <int>
                  <dbl>
## 1
           20
                    8.4
## 2
           38
                   16.5
           36
## 3
                   16.4
## 4
           40
                   18.9
## 5
           42
                   18.5
           26
## 6
                   10.4
```

a. Let us compute the main descriptive statistics of Impurity.

```
# Descriptive Statistics
summary_stat <- paint %>% summarise(n=n(),
 min = min(Impurity),
 first_qu = quantile(Impurity, 0.25),
 median = median(Impurity),
 mean = mean(Impurity),
 third_qu = quantile(Impurity, 0.75),
 max = max(Impurity),
 sd = sd(Impurity))
print(summary_stat)
## # A tibble: 1 x 8
        n min first_qu median
                                  mean third_qu max
## <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <
                                                          <dbl>
                   ## 1 12 8.4
b. Let us graphically represent the relation between Impurity and Stirrate variables (add
  regression line to the scatterplot).
pl <- ggplot(data = paint, mapping = aes(x = Stirrate, y=Impurity)) +</pre>
 geom_point(color="blue") +
 geom_smooth(method = "lm", colour="red", se = FALSE)
print(pl)
# A simple straight linear regression is a good choice to describe the relation
c. Let us compute a simple linear regression between Impurity and Stirrate.
# Fit the linear model
fm <- lm(formula = Impurity ~ Stirrate, data = paint)</pre>
d. Does Stirrate influence Impurity? How? Let us analyze the model fitted by using
  summary() function.
summary(fm)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Impurity ~ Stirrate, data = paint)
## Residuals:
## Min 1Q Median
                              3Q
                                     Max
## -1.1834 -0.5432 -0.3233 0.8333 1.3900
```

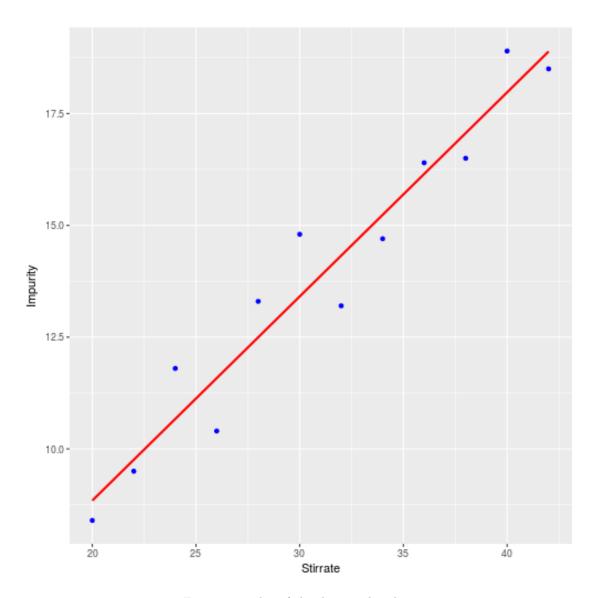


Figure 8.1: plot of chunk reg_plot_lm1

```
##
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -0.28928
                            1.22079 -0.237
                                               0.817
                            0.03844 11.880 3.21e-07 ***
## Stirrate
                0.45664
## ---
## Signif. codes:
                   0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.9193 on 10 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.9338, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9272
## F-statistic: 141.1 on 1 and 10 DF, p-value: 3.211e-07
e. Let us check (final) models residuals.
# Residuals analysis
op \leftarrow par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(fm)
par(op)
```

8.1.2 Exercise 2

A pressure switch has a membrane whose thickness (in mm) influences the pressure required to trigger the switch itself. The aim is to determine the thickness of the membrane for which the switch "trig" with a pressure equal to 165 ± 15 KPa. 25 switches with different thickness (DThickness) of the membrane was analysed, measuring the pressure at which each switch opens (KPa) (SetPoint).

```
data(switcht)
head(switcht)
## # A tibble: 6 x 2
##
    DThickness SetPoint
##
          <dbl>
                   <dbl>
## 1
            0.9 223.523
## 2
            0.6 157.131
## 3
            0.5 149.307
## 4
            0.8 200.146
## 5
            0.8 199.974
## 6
            0.7 166.919
```

a. Let us compute the descriptive statistics of SetPoint variable.

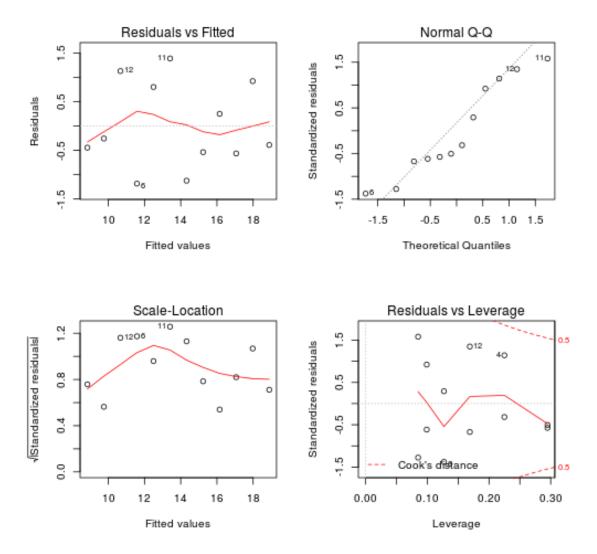


Figure 8.2: plot of chunk data_analysis_lm12

```
# Descriptive Statistics
summary_stat <- switcht %>% summarise(n=n(),
 min = min(SetPoint),
 first_qu = quantile(SetPoint, 0.25),
 median = median(SetPoint),
 mean = mean(SetPoint),
 third_qu = quantile(SetPoint, 0.75),
 max = max(SetPoint),
 sd = sd(SetPoint))
print(summary_stat)
## # A tibble: 1 x 8
               \min \ \text{first\_qu} \ \ \text{median}
                                        {\tt mean\ third\_qu}
                                                                     sd
        n
                                                          max
                                       <dbl> <dbl>
                                                                  <dbl>
    <int>
             <dbl>
                   <dbl>
                            <dbl>
                                                        <dbl>
b. Let us graphically represent the relation between DThickness and SetPoint(add regression
  line to the graph).
pl <- ggplot(data = switcht, mapping = aes(x = DThickness, y=SetPoint)) +
 geom_point(color="blue") +
 geom_smooth(method = "lm", colour="red", se = FALSE)
print(pl)
c. Let us compute a linear regression between DThickness and SetPoint and check the resid-
  uals of the fitted model.
# Fit the linear model
fm1 <- lm(formula = SetPoint ~ DThickness, data = switcht)</pre>
d. Does DThickness influences SetPoint? Let us analyze the model fitted by using summary()
  function.
summary(fm1)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = SetPoint ~ DThickness, data = switcht)
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                  1Q
                      Median
                                    30
                                            Max
## -14.1719 -5.1742
                       0.3194 4.7807 13.5067
##
```

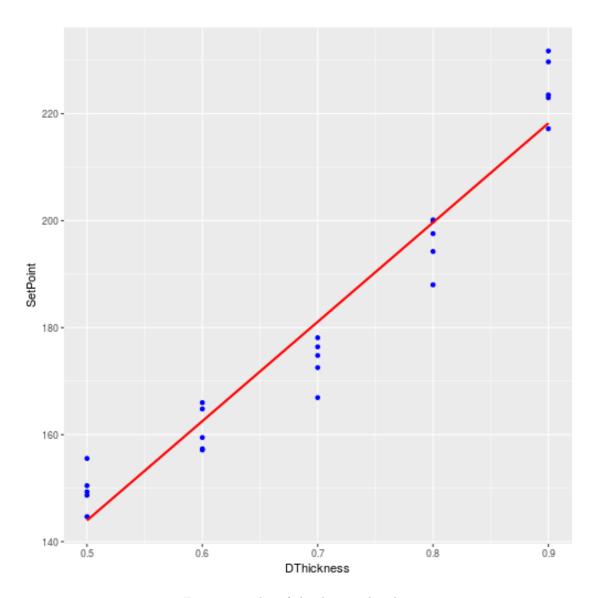


Figure 8.3: plot of chunk reg_plot_lm2

```
## Coefficients:
## Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 51.145     7.266     7.039     3.58e-07 ***
## DThickness     185.637     10.174     18.246     3.54e-15 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 7.194 on 23 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.9354, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9326
## F-statistic: 332.9 on 1 and 23 DF, p-value: 3.542e-15

e. Let us check (final) models residuals.

# Residuals analysis
op <- par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(fm1)

par(op)</pre>
```

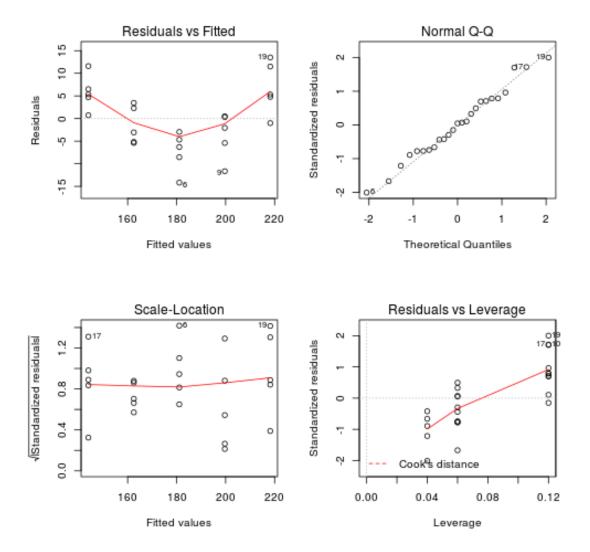


Figure 8.4: plot of chunk data_analysis_lm22

Chapter 9

Data Mining

Before starting the exercises, load the following libraries, supposing they are already installed.

```
require(qdata)
require(dplyr)
require(ggplot2)
require(nnet)
```

9.1 Neural Networks

9.1.1 Exercise 1

Consider iris dataset.

```
data(iris)
head(iris)
```

```
##
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
## 1
                                                  0.2 setosa
             5.1
                         3.5
                                      1.4
                                                  0.2 setosa
## 2
             4.9
                         3.0
                                      1.4
## 3
             4.7
                         3.2
                                      1.3
                                                  0.2 setosa
## 4
             4.6
                         3.1
                                      1.5
                                                  0.2 setosa
## 5
             5.0
                         3.6
                                                  0.2 setosa
                                      1.4
             5.4
## 6
                         3.9
                                      1.7
                                                  0.4 setosa
```

A botanist wants to to find a prediction model to assess the probability of belonging to a specific species, for each flower, based on its sepal and petal features.

a. Analyze the relationship between Species and the other variables of iris dataset. The following lines of code produces a scatterplot of Sepal.Length and Sepal.Width by Species.

ggplot(data=iris, mapping=aes (x=Sepal.Length, y=Sepal.Width, colour=Species)) +
 geom_point()

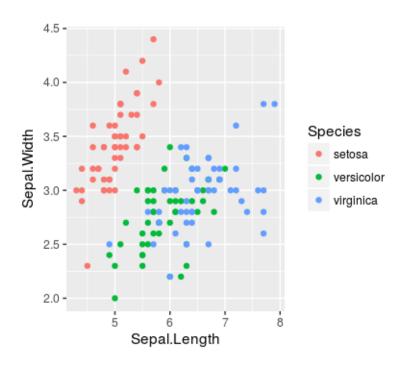


Figure 9.1: plot of chunk scatterplot_1

Generate a scatterplot to analyze the relationship between Petal.Length and Petal.Width by Species. Comment the results.

```
ggplot(data=iris, mapping=aes (x=Petal.Length, y=Petal.Width, colour=Species)) +
  geom_point()
```

b. Divide the dataset in train and test dataset in this way:

```
set.seed(1)
samp <- c(sample(1:50,25), sample(51:100,25), sample(101:150,25))
train <- iris[samp,]
test <- iris[-samp,]</pre>
```

and estimate a Neural Network model on train sample to assess the probability of belonging to a specific species, for each flower, based on its measures of Sepal.Length, Sepal.Width, Petal.Length, and Petal.Width. Use nnet() function and set the size (number of units in the hidden layer) to 2.

```
nn_mod <- nnet(Species ~ ., data = train, size = 2)</pre>
```

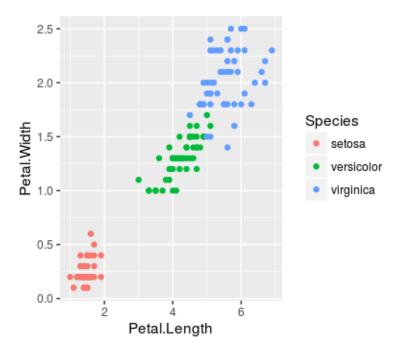


Figure 9.2: plot of chunk scatterplot_2

```
## # weights: 19
## initial value 88.417449
        10 value 35.898332
         20 value 25.562049
## iter
        30 value 12.718791
## iter
## iter
         40 value 4.169553
         50 value 1.495034
## iter
         60 value 0.042383
## iter
## iter
        70 value 0.003180
         80 value 0.002247
## iter
         90 value 0.002168
## iter 100 value 0.002115
## final value 0.002115
## stopped after 100 iterations
```

c. Use predict() function to gain the predictions on test sample. Add type = "class" argument to predict() function. Add the prediction estimated to test dataset.

```
test$pr <- predict(object = nn_mod, newdata = test, type = "class")</pre>
```

d. Built a frequency table to compare the original distribution of Species and that predicted in test data. Comment the results.