Lab 2 - Data Structures in R

Environmental Data Analytics

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Objective

Discuss and navigate different data types in R - Vectors - Matrices - Arrays - Data frames

Data Types in R

R treats objects differently based on their characteristics. For more information, please see: https://www.statmethods.net/input/datatypes.html.

- Vectors 1 dimensional structure that contains elements of the same type.
- Matrices 2 dimensional structure that contains elements of the same type.
- Arrays Similar to matrices, but can have more than 2 dimensions. We will not delve into arrays in depth.
- Lists Ordered collection of elements that can have different modes.
- Data Frames 2 dimensional structure that is more general than a matrix. Columns can have different modes (e.g., numeric and factor). When we import csv files into the R workspace, they will enter as data frames.

Vectors

Creating Vectors

Add comments below that specify what kind of vectors are created. (First answer is provided.)

```
# Vectors ----
vector1 <- c(1,2,5.3,6,-2,4) # Vector type: Numeric
vector1
```

[1] 1.0 2.0 5.3 6.0 -2.0 4.0

```
class(vector1)
## [1] "numeric"
vector2 <- c("one","two","three") # Vector type: Character</pre>
vector2
## [1] "one" "two"
                       "three"
vector3 <- c(TRUE,TRUE,TRUE,FALSE,TRUE,FALSE) # Vector type: Logical</pre>
vector3
## [1] TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE
Vector Operations
Add comments below to indicate what each operation does. (First answer is provided.)
# Returns the 3rd item in the vector
vector1[3]
## [1] 5.3
# Gives the maximum value
max(vector1)
## [1] 6
#Create another vector of the values 10 through 15
vector4 <- c(10:15)
# Creates a new vector with the values of vector 1 followed by vector 4
c(vector1, vector4)
## [1] 1.0 2.0 5.3 6.0 -2.0 4.0 10.0 11.0 12.0 13.0 14.0 15.0
# multiplies the values in the same index in vector 1 and 4 together
vector1 * vector4
## [1] 10.0 22.0 63.6 78.0 -28.0 60.0
# multiplies each value in vector 1 by 10
vector1 * 10
## [1] 10 20 53 60 -20 40
```

```
# changes all characters to uppercase
toupper(vector2)

## [1] "ONE" "TWO" "THREE"

# Gives the opposite value of vector 3 - can only be applied to logical objects
!vector3
```

[1] FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE TRUE

Exercise 1a: Vector

Find a 5-day forecast of temperatures (Fahrenheit) for Durham, North Carolina. Create a vector representing the high temperature on each of the five days. https://www.wunderground.com/forecast/us/nc/durham/KNCDURHA138

```
#Assign to the variable 'temps_F' a vector of high temperatures in F
temps_F <- c(80,82,80,75,74)

#What is the average of these temperatures: 78.2
temps_avg <- mean(temps_F)

#Compute the difference between each temperature and the average calculated above
temps_diff <- temps_F - temps_avg

#Subtract 32 and multiply by 5/9ths to create a vector in Celsius
temps_C <- (temps_F-32)* 5/9</pre>
```

Matrices

###Creating Matrices Complete the comments below:

```
# Matrices ----
matrix1 <- matrix(1:20, nrow = 5, ncol = 4) #
matrix1
##
        [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]
                6
                    11
                         16
          1
## [2,]
           2
                7
                    12
                         17
## [3,]
          3
                         18
               8
                   13
## [4,]
          4
               9
                    14
                         19
## [5,]
           5
               10
                    15
                         20
#matrix1 has 5 rows and 4 columns
matrix2 <- matrix(1:20, nrow = 5, ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE) #</pre>
matrix2
        [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]
         1 2
```

```
## [2,]
               7
       5
           6
## [3,]
       9
            10 11
                    12
## [4,]
      13
            14
                15
                    16
## [5,]
      17
                19
                    20
            18
```

```
#matrix2 has 5 rows and 4 columns

matrix3 <- matrix(
  data = 1:20,
  nrow = 5,
  ncol = 4,
  byrow = TRUE, # return after comma continues the line
  dimnames = list(
    c("uno", "dos", "tres", "quatro", "cinco"), #names rows
    c("un", "deux", "trois", "quatre") #names columns
   )
  )
}</pre>
```

Matrix Operations

Add comments in the code chunk below to indicate type of vectors created and what each operation does.

```
matrix1[4, 1] # provide the value in the 4th row and 1st column of matrix1
## [1] 4
matrix1[4, ] # provide all values in the 4th row of matrix1
## [1] 4 9 14 19
matrix1[ , 3] # provide all values in the 3rd column of matrix1
## [1] 11 12 13 14 15
matrix1[c(12, 14)] # provide the 12th and 14th value in matrix1
## [1] 12 14
matrix1[c(12:14)] # provide the 12th to 14th values in matrix1
## [1] 12 13 14
matrix1[2:4, 1:3] # provide all values in rows 2-4 within columns 1-3 of matrix1
        [,1] [,2] [,3]
##
## [1,]
           2
                7
                    12
## [2,]
           3
                8
                    13
## [3,]
                    14
```

```
#Create a vector of 6 values
values <- c(1, 26, 24, 68, 3, 44)
#Create a vector of row names
rnames <- c("R1", "R2")</pre>
#Create a vector of column names
cnames <- c("C1", "C2", "C3")</pre>
matrix4 <- matrix(</pre>
 data = values,
  nrow = 2,
 ncol = 3,
  byrow = TRUE,
  dimnames = list(
    rnames,
    cnames)
  ) # creates a matrix out of the vector values with row and column names from the vectors rnames and c
matrix4 # gets the value that is in row 2 and column 1 by calling on the dimension names
##
      C1 C2 C3
## R1 1 26 24
## R2 68 3 44
matrix4['R2','C1']
## [1] 68
Exercise 1b: Matrices
Compute the mean of column "C2" in matrix 4. (Should be 14.5)
mean_m4c2 <- mean(matrix4[,'C2'])</pre>
Lists
Creating Lists
```

```
# Lists ----
# Creating Lists
list1 <- list(
  name = "Maria",
  mynumbers = vector1,
  mymatrix = matrix1,
  age = 5.3)</pre>
```

List Operations

```
# List Operations
# show the list
list1
## $name
## [1] "Maria"
## $mynumbers
## [1] 1.0 2.0 5.3 6.0 -2.0 4.0
##
## $mymatrix
## [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]
        1 6 11
                      16
## [2,]
       2 7 12 17
## [3,] 3 8 13 18
## [4,] 4 9 14 19
## [5,] 5 10 15 20
##
## $age
## [1] 5.3
# Get the age object from the list
list1$age
## [1] 5.3
# Get the names of the objects in the list
names(list1)
## [1] "name"
                  "mynumbers" "mymatrix" "age"
# Get the first two objects in the list
list1[1:2]
## $name
## [1] "Maria"
## $mynumbers
## [1] 1.0 2.0 5.3 6.0 -2.0 4.0
# Change the name object in the list to Janelle
list1$name = "Janelle"
# changes the value within object 4 of the list (which is age) to 44. Same as above.
list1[[4]] = 44
```

Data Frames

Creating dataframes

```
# Data Frames ----
#Create three vectors of equal length
d <- c(1, 2, 3, 4) # What type of vector?
e <- c("red", "white", "red", NA) # What type of vector?
f <- c(TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE) # What type of vector?

#Combine the vectors into a dataframe
dataframe1 <- data.frame(d,e,f)

#Set the column names & View
names(dataframe1) <- c("ID", "Color", "Passed"); # semicolon is a command termination - it shows where on
#Add a new column to the dataframe
dataframe1$month <- c('Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar', 'Apr')</pre>
```

Dataframe operations

```
\#Extract a column from the dataframe f
dataframe1$Color
## [1] "red"
              "white" "red"
#Extract a row
dataframe1[2,]
    ID Color Passed month
## 2 2 white TRUE
                      Feb
#Extract several rows
dataframe1[1:2,]
## ID Color Passed month
## 1 1 red TRUE
                       Jan
## 2 2 white
              TRUE
                      Feb
#Extract a column
dataframe1[,1]
## [1] 1 2 3 4
#Extract a column/columns from their name
out1 <- dataframe1['Color']; class(out1)</pre>
## [1] "data.frame"
```

```
out2 <- dataframe1$Color; class(out2)

## [1] "character"

out3 <- dataframe1[c("ID","Passed")]; class(out3)

## [1] "data.frame"</pre>
```