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# R programming

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```

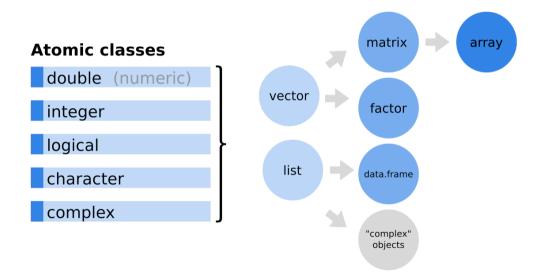


### Data structures

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#### Data structures



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#### Atomic vectors

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#### Overview

There are five commonly used types of atomic vectors.

Logical: TRUE and FALSE
Integer: ..., -1L, 0L, 1L, 2L, ...
Double: 0.3, 1.0, -3.14, 2
Character: "Innsbruck", "one", "5"
Complex: 0 + 0i, 1 - 1i, -1 + 1i

All elements of an atomic vector must be of the same type.

#### Construction

Vectors of length one are constructed by assigning an *value* to an *object*:

```
R> dbl_var <- 4.5
R> dbl_var
[1] 4.5
```

Vectors with a length greater than one are constructed using c() (combine):

Missing values in a vector are specified with NA:

```
R> chr_var <- c("Good", NA, "Innsbruck")
R> chr_var
[1] "Good" NA "Innsbruck"
```

#### Construction

Structured vectors can be constructed using rep(), seq() or the colon operator (:).

```
R> log_var <- rep(c(TRUE, FALSE), times = 4)
R> dbl_var <- seq(0, 1, by = 0.01)
R> int_var <- 1L:5L</pre>
```

An empty vector can be initialized using vector

```
R> chr_var <- vector("character", length = 5)
R> chr_var
[1] "" "" "" ""
Or logical(), integer(), ...
```

#### Construction

Some vectors with constants are built into R (check ?Constants):

```
R> LETTERS
 רון "אַ" "פּ" "כּ" "די "בּ" "בּ" "ני "די "ני "די "ני "די "ני "די "די "די "די "די "אי "ווי "אי "חי
[16] "P" "Q" "R" "S" "T" "U" "V" "W" "X" "Y" "Z"
R> letters
[1] "a" "b" "c" "d" "e" "f" "g" "h" "i" "i" "i" "k" "l" "m" "n" "o"
[16] "p" "q" "r" "s" "t" "u" "v" "w" "x" "v" "z"
R> month.abb
 [1] "Jan" "Feb" "Mar" "Apr" "Mav" "Jun" "Jul" "Aug" "Sep" "Oct"
[11] "Nov" "Dec"
R> month.name
 [1] "January"
                 "February" "March" "April"
                                                      "May"
 [6] "June" "July"
                          "August" "September" "October"
[11] "November" "December"
R> pi
[1] 3.142
```

# Tests and Types

```
To query the length of a vector use length():
R> length(log_var)
Γ1 | 8
R> length(dbl_var)
[1] 101
To query the type of a vector use typeof():
R> typeof(dbl_var)
[1] "double"
R> typeof(int_var)
[1] "integer"
```

### Tests and Types

```
To test if a vector is of a specific type use is.logical(), is.integer(), ...

R> is.character(chr_var)

[1] TRUE

R> is.double(int_var)

[1] FALSE
```

#### Note:

- is.atomic() tests if the object is of an atomic type.
- is.numeric() test if the object is interpretable as number. It returns TRUE for type integer and type double.

#### Coercion

```
To coerce a vector from one type to another use as.logical(), as.integer(),
.... which works from more to less flexible:
R> as.logical(c(OL, 1L))
[1] FALSE TRUE
R> as.logical(c("FALSE", "TRUE"))
[1] FALSE TRUE
... and from less to more flexible:
R> as.character(c(0, 1))
[1] "0" "1"
R> as.character(c(FALSE, TRUE))
[1] "FALSE" "TRUE"
```

#### Coercion

When two vectors of different types are combined, R applies auto-coercion to the most flexible type:

#### Note:

- Most mathematical functions (e.g. sum(), mean(), +, log()) coerce the input to a double or integer.
- Logical operations (&, |, any(), ...) coerce to logical.
- String modulating functions (paste(), cat(), ...) coerce to character.

You subset vectors using the [ operator in combination with

- positive integers
- negative integers
- logical vectors
- character vectors

#### Define a vector:

```
R> x <- c(2.1, 4.2, 3.3, 5.4)
```

**Positive integers** return elements at specified positions.

```
R > x[c(3, 1)]
[1] 3.3 2.1
R> x[order(x)] ## sort x
[1] 2.1 3.3 4.2 5.4
R > x[c(1, 1)]
             ## recycle elements
[1] 2.1 2.1
R> y <- LETTERS[1:4]
R> y
[1] "A" "B" "C" "D"
R> order(x)
                      ## returns a integer vector with indices
[1] 1 3 2 4
```

**Negative integers** omit elements at specified positions.

R> 
$$x[c(-3, -1)]$$
  
[1] 4.2 5.4

Positive and negative integers can't be mixed in a single subset.

**Logical vectors** select elements where the corresponding logical value is TRUE.

```
R> x[c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, FALSE)]
[1] 2.1 4.2
R> x[x > 4]
[1] 4.2 5.4
R> x[y == "B"]
[1] 4.2
```

**Character vectors** to return elements with matching names (Names will be introduced later along with attributes):

```
R > names(x) < - y
R> x
 A B C D
2.1 4.2 3.3 5.4
R> x[c("A", "D")]
 A D
2.1 5.4
R> x[c("A", "A", "A", "D", "D", "D")]
2.1 2.1 2.1 5.4 5.4 5.4
```

# Subsetting and assignment

All subsetting operators can be combined with assignment <- to modify selected values of the input vector.

```
R> x <- 1:5
R> x[c(1, 2)] <- c(-999, -999)
R> x
[1] -999 -999 3 4 5
```

# Example: Expanding abbreviations

You have a character vector x with abbreviations of the months:

```
R> set.seed(111)
R> x <- sample(month.abb, size = 1000, replace = TRUE)
R> head(x)
[1] "Nov" "Apr" "Mar" "Sep" "Nov" "May"
```

Expand the abbreviations to the full names:

```
[1] "November" "April" "March" "September" "November" [6] "May"
```

Hint: month.name and month.abb give you the full names and abbreviations of the months, respectively.

# Example: Expanding abbreviations

Solution using names attribute and character subsetting:

Alternatively (and likely more common) using match()ing and integer subsetting:

### **Excursus: Arithmetrics**

```
+, -, *, /, **, %%. %/% work for vectors:
R > 1:3 + 3:1
[1] 4 4 4
R > 1:3 + 2
                      # single values are recylcled
[1] 3 4 5
R > 2^{(0:4)}
[1] 1 2 4 8 16
R > (0:5)^2
[1] 0 1 4 9 16 25
R> 1:10 %% 3 # modulo
 [1] 1 2 0 1 2 0 1 2 0 1
R> 1:10 %/% 3 # integer division
 [1] 0 0 1 1 1 2 2 2 3 3
```



#### Lists

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#### Lists

- Lists are the other basic data structure in R.
- A list is a vector in which the elements can be of different types.
- A single element of a list could be again a list, which can lead to a recursive structure.
- list() is used to consruct a list:

```
R> x <- list(1L:100L, dbl_var, list("recursive_element", log_var))
R> str(x)

List of 3
$ : int [1:100] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
$ : num [1:101] 0 0.01 0.02 0.03 0.04 0.05 0.06 0.07 0.08 0.09 ...
$ :List of 2
    ..$ : chr "recursive_element"
    ..$ : logi [1:8] TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE ...

str() helps to examine the structure of a list.
```

# Tests and Types

A list has a length and is of type 'list', which ca be directly tested with 'is.list()':

```
R> length(x)
Г1] 3
R> typeof(x)
[1] "list"
R> is.list(x)
[1] TRUE
as.list() coerces a vector to a list.
R> v <- 1:3
R> str(as.list(y))
List of 3
$ : int 1
$ : int 2
 $ : int 3
```

# Tests and Types

An empty list can be initialized with list(). Use vector() to initialize a list of predefined length:

```
R> new_list <- list()
R> str(new_list)

list()

R> new_list_with_predefined_length <- vector("list", length = 3)
R> str(new_list_with_predefined_length)

List of 3
$ : NULL
```

where the elements of the new list contain R's null object NULL.

Subsetting a list with [ works the same way as subsetting an atomic vector, i.e., with positive and negative integers, logical and character vectors. Subsetting with [ always returns a list, potentially only with one element.

```
R> x <- list(given = "Jan-Bernd", family = "Schmitt", born = 1976)
R> str(x[c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE)])
List of 2
    $ given : chr "Jan-Bernd"
    $ family: chr "Schmitt"
R> str(x["born"])
List of 1
    $ born: num 1976
```

[[ pulls out the element of the list, and works with positive integers and character vectors.

```
R > str(x[[1]])
 chr "Jan-Bernd"
R> str(x[["born"]])
num 1976
$ is a short-cut for [[.
R> x$family
[1] "Schmitt"
R> x$born
Γ1] 1976
```

If [[ gets an vector of length greater than one, it applies the indices/names recursively.

```
R> x <- list(full = list(given = "Jan-Bernd", family = "Schmitt"), born = 1976)
R > str(x)
List of 2
 $ full:List of 2
  ..$ given : chr "Jan-Bernd"
  ..$ family: chr "Schmitt"
 $ born: num 1976
R > str(x[[c(1, 2)]])
 chr "Schmitt"
R> str(x[[c("full", "family")]])
 chr "Schmitt"
```

#### **Attributes**

One application of lists is that one can set *attributes* of an object. (The elements of the list must be *named*.)

```
R> y <- 1:3
R> attributes(y) <- list(my_attr = "my_vector")
R> y
[1] 1 2 3
attr(,"my_attr")
[1] "my_vector"
```

- Use attributes() to set or access all attributes.
- Use attr(x, which) to set or access individual attributes.

### **Attributes**

```
R> attr(y, "my_attr")
[1] "my_vector"
R> attr(y, "my_attr") <- "your_vector"
R> str(attributes(y))
List of 1
$ my_attr: chr "your_vector"
```

#### **Attributes**

There are special attributes of a vector:

- **Names**: A character vector giving each element a name. Names must be the same length as the vector.
- **Dimensions**: A integer vector used to turn vectors into matrices or arrays.
- Class: A character vector used to implement the S3 object system.

Each of these attributes has a specific accessor function to get and set values. When working with these attributes use names(x), dim(x) and class(x), not attr(x, "names"), etc.

### Names

Set and access names of a vector.

```
R> y <- 1:3
R> names(y) <- c("A", "B", "C")
R> y
A B C
1 2 3
R> names(y)
[1] "A" "B" "C"
```

Alternative ways to set names are:

```
R> y <- c(A = 1L, B = 2L, C = 3L)
R> y <- setNames(1:3, c("A", "B", "C"))
R> ## Not recommended:
R> y <- 1:3
R> attr(y, "names") <- c("A", "B", "C")
```



### **Factors**

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# Excursus: Categorical data

Categorical data is used to describe categories. Sometimes this type of data is also to as *qualitative*. It is always discrete and be of one of the following kinds:

- **Binary**: Two possible outcomes, e.g. Occurrence of an event such as landfall of a hurricane (yes/no).
- Multinomial: Three or more possible outcomes which are mutually exclusive and exhaustive (and non-ordered, e.g. field of study (natural sciences / social sciences / engineering)
- Ordered: Three or more possible outcomes which are mutually exclusive and exhaustive (and ordered, e.g. Do you agree with the political program of the ruling party (strongly agree / agree / neutral / disagree / strongly disagree)?

#### **Factors**

A *factor* is a vector representing categorical data.

Factors are built on top of integer vectors using two attributes: *class* and *levels*.

```
R> group <- factor(c("A", "0", "B", "AB", "A", "0", "0", "A", "A"))</pre>
R> group
[1] A O B AB A O O A A
Levels: O A AB B
R> class(group)
[1] "factor"
R> levels(group)
[1] "O" "A" "AB" "B"
R> attributes(group)
$levels
[1] "O" "A" "AB" "B"
$class
[1] "factor"
```

#### **Factors**

Althought not often needed in practice, the integer vector could be obtained by coercion:

```
R> typeof(group)
[1] "integer"
R> str(group)
Factor w/ 4 levels "0","A","AB","B": 2 1 4 3 2 1 1 2 2
R> as.integer(group)
[1] 2 1 4 3 2 1 1 2 2
R> attributes(as.integer(group))
NULL
```

You can specify the levels when not all possible values are included in the vector.

You can't assign values not included in the levels to the factor:

You construct a factor from a atomic vector by specifying the arguments levels and labels

```
R> x <- rep(1:12, times = 2)
R> factor(x, levels = 1:12, labels = month.abb)

[1] Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar
[16] Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec
Levels: Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec
```

Duplicated values in labels can be used to map different values of x to the same factor level.

```
R> factor(x, levels = 1:12, labels = rep(paste0("Q", 1:4), each = 3))
[1] Q1 Q1 Q1 Q2 Q2 Q2 Q3 Q3 Q3 Q4 Q4 Q4 Q1 Q1 Q1 Q2 Q2 Q2 Q3 Q3
[21] Q3 Q4 Q4 Q4
Levels: Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4
```

Construction of a categorical variable (factor) from a countinuos variable (numeric).

```
R> x <- c(8.3, 10, 9.2, 1.3, 8.2, 3.7, 6.2, 6.8, 4.8, 8.7)

R> x <- cut(x, breaks = c(0, 3, 7, 10), labels = c("low", "mid", "high"))

R> x

[1] high high high low high mid mid mid high

Levels: low mid high
```

As these levels are *ordered* it makes sense to coerce it to an ordered factor:

```
R> x <- as.ordered(x)
R> x

[1] high high high low high mid mid mid high
Levels: low < mid < high
R> class(x)
[1] "ordered" "factor"
```

Sometimes it is helpful to condition your data analysis on the interaction of two factors.

#### **Excursus: Generic Functions**

A factor is of class factor. There are *generic functions* as print(), summary(), plot(), ..., that produce output tailored to the input, e.g. summary() of a factor produces a table rather than a quantile statistics:

#### R> summary(group)

```
A B AB 0 NA's
4 1 1 3 1
```

#### R> summary(dbl\_var)

```
Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. 0.00 0.25 0.50 0.50 0.75 1.00
```

# Example: Explore categorial data with tables

#### Take the Chicken Weights by Feed Type dataset

- Explore the variables using summary() and class().
- Give probabilities how many chicks are light-weightd ( $weight \le 200$ ), medium ( $200 < weight \le 300$ ) or well-fed (weight > 300).
- Give these probabilities conditioned on the type of feeding.

```
R> summary(feed)
                    ## class factor
                    linseed meatmeal
  casein horsebean
                                        sovbean sunflower
      12
                10
                         12
                                   11
                                             14
                                                      12
R> summary(weight) ## class numeric
  Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu.
                                         Max.
   108
           204
                   258
                          261
                                  324
                                          423
```

# Example: Explore categorial data with tables

```
R> weight <- cut(weight,</pre>
    breaks = c(0, 200, 300, 500),
    labels = c("light", "medium", "well-fed")
+
R> prop.table(table(weight))
weight
  light medium well-fed
 0.2394 0.3944
                  0.3662
R> print(prop.table(table(weight, feed), 2), digits = 2)
         feed
weight
        casein horsebean linseed meatmeal sovbean sunflower
 light
        0.000
                    0.800
                           0.333
                                   0.091
                                          0.286
                                                    0.000
 medium 0.333
                   0.200 0.583 0.455 0.500
                                                   0.250
  well-fed 0.667 0.000 0.083 0.455 0.214
                                                   0.750
```

```
if ( verbose ) cat("foehnix.family ) {
  else if ( inherits(family, "character') ) {
    family <- match.arg(family, c("gaussian", "logistic"))
    if ( ! all(is.infinite(c(left, right)) ) {
        # Take censored version of "family" using the censoring
        # thresholds left and right.
        if ( ! truncated ) {
            family <- get(sprintf("foehnix_c%s", family))(left = left, right = right)
            # Else take the truncated version of the "family".
        } else {
            family <- get(sprintf("foehnix_t%s", family))(left = left, right = right)
            family <- get(sprintf("foehnix_t%s", family))(left = left, right = right)
            family <- get(sprintf("foehnix_t%s", family))(left = left, right = right)</pre>
```



#### Matrices

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#### Matrices

Multi-dimensional data is represented by

- matrices for two dimensions
- arrays for three and more dimensions.

Matrices and arrays are vectors with an additional attribute dim for the dimensions.

As a matrix is based on a vector, all elements must be of the same type.

```
R> m <- matrix(1:6, ncol = 3, nrow = 2)
R> m

[,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,] 1 3 5
[2,] 2 4 6
```

Access number of rows and columns, and manipulate names of rows and columns:

```
R> dim(m)
[1] 2 3
R> c(nrow(m), ncol(m))
[1] 2 3
R> length(m)
Г17 6
R> rownames(m) <- c("A", "B")</pre>
R> colnames(m) <- c("a", "b", "c")
R> m
  a b c
A 1 3 5
B 2 4 6
```

# Combining

```
c() generalises to

    cbind() for column binding, and

  • rbind() for row binding.
R > m1 < -matrix(1:4, nrow = 2)
R> m1
    [,1] [,2]
[1,] 1 3
[2,] 2
R > m2 < -matrix(15:20, nrow = 2)
R > m2
    [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1.] 15 17 19
[2,] 16 18 20
R> cbind(m1, m2)
    [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
[1,]
    1 3 15 17
                        19
[2,] 2 4
              16
                    18
                        20
```

#### You can subset a matrix with

- two vectors
- a single vector
- a matrix

#### Here is a matrix:

```
R> m <- outer(1:3, 1:3, FUN = paste, sep = ",")
R> colnames(m) <- LETTERS[1:3]
R> rownames(m) <- pasteO("r", 1:3)
R> m
    A     B     C
r1 "1,1" "1,2" "1,3"
r2 "2,1" "2,2" "2,3"
r3 "3,1" "3,2" "3,3"
```

Using two vectors, the first for the rows, the second for the columns:

```
R> m[c(1,3), ] ## blank subsetting

A B C
r1 "1,1" "1,2" "1,3"
r3 "3,1" "3,2" "3,3"
```

Blank subsetting lets you keep all rows or columns.

```
R> m[c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE), c("C", "B")]
    C     B
r1 "1,3" "1,2"
r3 "3.3" "3.2"
```

Different types of vectors can be combined.

As a matrix is basically a vector, you can subset it using a single vector:

```
R> m[rep(c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE), 3)]
[1] "1,1" "3,1" "1,2" "3,2" "1,3" "3,3"
R> m[c(2, 8)]
[1] "2,1" "2,3"
```

Note that [ simplifies the result to the lowest possible dimension by default.

You can subset a matrix with a matrix, where each row in the *indexing* matrix specifies the position of one value. The first column corresponds to the rows, the second column correspond to the columns.

```
if ( verbose ) cat("foehnix.family ) {
  else if ( inherits(family, "character") ) {
    family <- match.arg(family, c("gaussian", "logistic"))
    if ( ! all(is.infinite(c(left, right))) {
        # Take censored version of "family" using the censoring
        # thresholds left and right.
        if ( ! truncated ) {
            family <- get(sprintf("foehnix_c%s", family))(left = left, right = right)
            # Else take the truncated version of the "family".
        } else {
            family <- get(sprintf("foehnix_c%s", family))(left = left, right = right)
            family <- get(sprintf("foehnix_c%s", family))(left = left, right = right)
            family <- get(sprintf("foehnix_c%s", family))(left = left, right = right)
            family <- get(sprintf("foehnix_c%s", family))(left = left, right = right)</pre>
```



#### Data frames

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#### Data frames

- A data frame is the common way to work with data in R.
- A data frame is a list with equal-length vectors, and additional attributes names, class and row.names.
- This allows one to bind variables of different type together, of which the elements with the same index are observed jointly.
- Thus a data frame is a 2-dim structure, but shares properties of both matrix and list:
- names() returns the same as colnames().
- length() returns the same as ncol().

You can construct a data frame from scratch:

```
R> d <- data.frame(x = 1:4, y = c("a","b", "c", "d"))
R> head(d)
    x y
1 1 a
2 2 b
3 3 c
4 4 d
```

However, it's more common to use R's I/O infrastructure to import data which is then provided as data frame.

Note that many functions that return a data frame coerce character vectors to factors, which can be suppressed by setting stringAsFactors = FALSE argument.

### Testing and coercion

```
The type of a data frame is list. Explicit testing is performed using is.data.frame()

R> typeof(d)

[1] "list"

R> is.data.frame(d)

[1] TRUE
```

as.data.frame() coerces

- a **vector** to a one-column data frame.
- a **list** to a data frame, where each element of the list will be a column in the data frame. An error occurs if the elements are not of equal length.
- a matrix to a data frame, where each column of the matrix will be a column in the data frame.

# Combining data frames

You can use cbind() to add columns (variables). However, merge() in base R gives you more control with the by argument.

```
R > d2 < -data.frame(x = 4:1, z = rev(c("aa","bb", "cc", "dd")))
R> d2
 x z
1 4 dd
2 3 cc
3 2 bb
4 1 aa
R > merge(d, d2, by = "x")
 x y z
1 1 a aa
2 2 b bb
3 3 c cc
4 4 d dd
R > d3 < -merge(d, d2, by = "x")
```

# Combining data frames

You can use rbind() to add rows (observations). However, number and names of columns must match. Use dplyr::bind\_rows() to combine data frames that don't have the same columns.

```
R> dplyr::bind_rows(d, d2)

x y z
1 1 a <NA>
2 2 b <NA>
3 3 c <NA>
4 4 d <NA>
5 4 <NA>
6 3 <NA>
c < CC
7 2 <NA>
bb
8 1 <NA>
aa
```

When subsetting data frames with [, they behave like a

- list when you provide a single vector, or like a
- **matrix** when you provide a two vector separated with a comma.

When subsetting with [[ or \$ the data frame behaves like a list.

Furthermore, you can subset data frames using subset().

The first argument of subset() is the data frame. The second and third arguments are subset and select.

- subset: logical expression indicating the rows to keep (NA are taken as FALSE).
- select: indicating columns to select.

```
R> subset(d3, subset = x > 2, select = c("y", "z"))
    y    z
3    c    cc
4    d    dd
```

Note: The logical expression subset is evaluated in the data frame, so columns can be referred to (by name) as variables in the expression.

# Subsetting and assignment

\$ or [[ plus assignment <- can be used to create new columns, or to delete column with NULL.

```
R> d3$yz <- paste(d3$y, d3$z, sep = "-")
R> d3$z <- NULL
R> d3
    x y yz
1 1 a a-aa
2 2 b b-bb
3 3 c c-cc
4 4 d d-dd
```

### Example: Convert units

• Load the data mtcars:

```
R> data(mtcars)
```

- Remove all columns, but the ones containing miles per gallon, displacement and weight. (Hint: Check the help page for the data ?mtcars to find the right columns.)
- Construct a new data frame 'autos' with 4 columns:
  - 'Typ': Type of car.
  - 'Verbrauch' in I/100 km.
  - · 'Hubraum' in ccm.
  - 'Gewicht' in kg.
- Use these constants for converting the units:

```
R> mile <- 1.609344  # km
R> gallon <- 3.7854  # liter
R> cubic_inch <- 16.38706  # ccm
R> pound <- 0.4535924  # kg
```

### Example: Convert units

```
R> mtcars <- subset(mtcars, select = c("mpg", "disp", "wt"))</pre>
R> autos <- data.frame(</pre>
    "Typ"
               = rownames(mtcars),
    "Verbrauch" = 1/mtcars$mpg * gallon * 1/mile * 100,
   "Hubraum"
               = mtcars$disp * cubic_inch,
    "Gewicht" = mtcars$wt * pound * 1000
R> head(autos)
              Typ Verbrauch Hubraum Gewicht
        Mazda RX4
                     11.20
                             2622
                                    1188
     Mazda RX4 Wag 11.20 2622 1304
       Datsun 710 10.32 1770 1052
    Hornet 4 Drive 10.99 4228 1458
5 Hornet Sportabout 12.58 5899 1560
          Valiant 13.00
                             3687
                                   1569
```



**Fundamentals** 

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We saw the difference of [ and [[ for lists

- [ returns one or more elemets as a list
- [] returns the content of one element

Thus we can distinguish between *simplifying* and *preserving* subsetting.

- preserving subsetting always returns an object of the same class.
- the returned object for **simplifying** subsetting varies between different inputs.

Operators for simplifying and preserving subsetting dependend on the input objects:

	Simplifying	Preserving
Vector	x[[1]]	x[1]
List	x[[1]]	x[1]
Factor	x[1:4, drop = TRUE]	x[1:4]
Matrix	x[1, ] or x[, 1]	x[1, , drop = FALSE] or
Data frame	x[, 1] <b>or</b> x[[1]]	x[, 1, drop = FALSE]  or $x[1]$

For **atomic vectors** simplifying subsetting removes names:

```
R> x <- c(a = 1, b = 2)
R> x[1]
a
1
R> x[[1]]
```

For **lists** simplifying subsetting returns the object inside the list, not a single element list:

For **factors** simplifying subsetting drops unused levels:

```
R> x <- factor(c("a", "b"))
R> x[1]
[1] a
Levels: a b
R> x[1, drop = TRUE]
[1] a
Levels: a
```

**Matrices**: If any of the dimensions has length 1, simplifying subsetting drops that dimension.

```
R> m <- matrix(1:4, nrow = 2)
R> m[1, , drop = FALSE]
       [,1] [,2]
[1,] 1 3
R> m[1, ]
[1] 1 3
```

**Data frame**: If output is a single column, simplifying subsetting returns a vector instead of a data frame.

```
R > d < - data.frame(a = 1:2, b = 3:4)
R > str(d[1])
'data.frame': 2 obs. of 1 variable:
 $ a: int 12
R> str(d[[1]])
 int [1:2] 1 2
R> str(d[, "a", drop = FALSE])
'data.frame': 2 obs. of 1 variable:
 $ a: int 12
R> str(d[, "a"])
 int [1:2] 1 2
```

### Subsetting and assignment

All subsetting operators can be combined with assignment <- to modify selected values of the input vector.

```
R> x <- 1:5
R> x[c(1, 2)] <- c(-999, -999)
R> x
[1] -999 -999 3 4 5
```

### Example: Data handling

Load the data gender\_score.rds:

```
R> d <- readRDS("../../data/gender_score.rds")
R> head(d, 3)
  index gender score
1   14  male  6.3
2   19  male  7.9
3  15  male  7.3
```

- Sort the rows in the data d by the column index.
- Select all rows, for which the gender is male.
- Convert the numeric score into a categorical score (name the column cscore), where all value below or equal to 3 fall into the category low, between 3 and 7 into mid, and above 7 into high.

# Example: Data handling

```
R> ## --- sort by index ---
R> d <- d[order(d$index), ]</pre>
R> ## --- select males ---
R> d <- subset(d, gender == "male")</pre>
R> ## --- convert score to categorical score ---
R> d$cscore <- cut(d$score,
    breaks = c(0, 3, 7, 10),
    labels = c("low", "mid", "high"),
    include.lowest = TRUE,
    ordered_result = TRUE
R> head(d)
   index gender score cscore
          male 5.8
                        mid
      2 male 4.7 mid
14
      3 male 0.3 low
      5 male 5.9 mid
      8 male 10.0 high
18
          male
                 2.3
                        low
```