

# “Getting and Cleaning Data” Final Project Cookbook

## Source data

<http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Human+Activity+Recognition+Using+Smartphones#>

## Processing

This is what the `run_analysis.R` does at a high level

1. Load the data from `data/UCI_HAR_Dataset`
2. Combines test and train data for features, activities, and subjects
3. Merges the combined data from the previous step into a single frame
4. Renames the data frame column names to the appropriate variables names from `features.txt`
5. Selects only subject, activity, mean and standard deviation variables
6. It changes the activity variable from activity id to activity label based on `activity_labels.txt`
7. It renames the column names based to conform to the R naming scheme by using the `fix_col_names()` function
8. Finally, it generates a new data frame that contains an aggregation by subject and activity

## Output data

There's a total of 68 variables in the output data set, divided as follows:

subject – Subject id (1-30)

activity – Activity name (Walking, Walking Upstair, Walking Downstairs, Sitting, Standing or Laying)

66 measure variables based on gyroscope and accelerometer measurements of the form `(time | frequency) (accel | gyro) (mean | std) (X | Y | Z)`. Each variable corresponds to the average (mean) of all observation for a given subject and activity for the specific measurement.

time	Time domain signal
frequency	Frequency domain signal
accel	Accelerometer
gyro	Gyroscope
mean	Mean
std	Standard Deviation
X, Y, Z	Axis

For example the variable name `freq_body_gyro_std_X` stands for the mean of all standard deviations of the frequency domain of the gyroscope on the X axis.

## Variable Units

Type	Unit
Acceleration (body and gravity)	'g's (9.81m/s <sup>2</sup> )
Gyroscope	rad/seg