• extend list with another list

Regional-level analysis

We'll also sometimes want to take a step back and group some of our observations together to do data analysis at a different level.

- Aggregate at the level of regions using the aggregate() function. (*Hint:* Pass in FUN=median.)
- Compute the correlations between the resulting columns.
- How do these compare with the correlations you calculated at the state level? What do you think explains the difference?

Adding interaction terms

We can add *interaction terms* to a linear regression very easily: in the list of predictors we pass in to the lm() function, we can include the interaction of var1 with var2 by including var1:var2 or var1*var2.

- What's the difference between including var1:var2 or var1*var2? (*Hint:* Try regressing against nothing aside from the interaction term.)
- How much additional predictive power can you get by including wellchosen interaction terms in your regression? Which interaction terms help the most?