Assignment 2: Coding Basics

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OVERVIEW

This exercise accompanies the lessons in Environmental Data Analytics on coding basics.

Directions

- 1. Change "Student Name" on line 3 (above) with your name.
- 2. Work through the steps, creating code and output that fulfill each instruction.
- 3. Be sure to **answer the questions** in this assignment document.
- 4. When you have completed the assignment, **Knit** the text and code into a single PDF file.
- 5. After Knitting, submit the completed exercise (PDF file) to the dropbox in Sakai. Add your first and last name into the file name (e.g., "FirstLast_A02_CodingBasics.Rmd") prior to submission.

Basics Day 1

- 1. Generate a sequence of numbers from one to 100, increasing by fours. Assign this sequence a name.
- 2. Compute the mean and median of this sequence.
- 3. Ask R to determine whether the mean is greater than the median.
- 4. Insert comments in your code to describe what you are doing.

```
#1.

Assignment1_Question1 <- seq(1, 100, 4) #Sequence from 1 to 100, by 4

Assignment1_Question1

## [1] 1 5 9 13 17 21 25 29 33 37 41 45 49 53 57 61 65 69 73 77 81 85 89 93 97

#2.

Assignment1_Question2a <- mean(Assignment1_Question1) #Mean of Sequence from 1 to 100, by 4

Assignment1_Question2a

## [1] 49

Assignment1_Question2b <- median(Assignment1_Question1) #Median of Sequence from 1 to 100, by 4

Assignment1_Question2b

## [1] 49

#3.

Assignment1_Question2a > Assignment1_Question2b

## [1] FALSE

#True or False: The Mean of the Sequence is greater than the median
```

Basics Day 2

- 5. Create a series of vectors, each with four components, consisting of (a) names of students, (b) test scores out of a total 100 points, and (c) whether or not they have passed the test (TRUE or FALSE) with a passing grade of 50.
- 6. Label each vector with a comment on what type of vector it is.
- 7. Combine each of the vectors into a data frame. Assign the data frame an informative name.
- 8. Label the columns of your data frame with informative titles.

```
ComponentA_NamesOfStudents <- c("Sushito", "Harpa", "Haukea", "Bob") #Create list of names
ComponentA_NamesOfStudents #Vector Type: Character
## [1] "Sushito" "Harpa"
                           "Haukea" "Bob"
ComponentB_TestScores <- floor(runif(4, min=0, max=101)) #Generate Scores</pre>
ComponentB_TestScores #Vector Type: Numeric
## [1] 45 63 70 68
ComponentC_GradingScheme <- function(x){</pre>
ifelse(x<50, "FALSE", "TRUE")</pre>
} #Create function to see if scores are passing
ComponentC_IsItAPassingGrade <- ComponentC_GradingScheme(ComponentB_TestScores)</pre>
#Run scores through function
ComponentC IsItAPassingGrade #Vector Type: Logical
## [1] "FALSE" "TRUE" "TRUE" "TRUE"
StudentInfo NamesScoresGrades <- data.frame("Name" = c(ComponentA NamesOfStudents),
                                 "Score" = c(ComponentB TestScores), "Passed" =
                                 c(ComponentC IsItAPassingGrade))
#Create the data frame with column names
StudentInfo NamesScoresGrades #Data Frame
        Name Score Passed
##
## 1 Sushito
                45 FALSE
## 2
                63
                    TRUE
      Harpa
## 3 Haukea
                70
                     TRUE
## 4
                     TRUE
         Bob
                68
```

 $9.\,$ QUESTION: How is this data frame different from a matrix?

Answer: This data frame is different from a matrix because although the vectors do have the same length (which is required both for a matrix and a data frame), they have different modes.

- 10. Create a function with an if/else statement. Your function should determine whether a test score is a passing grade of 50 or above (TRUE or FALSE). You will need to choose either the if and else statements or the ifelse statement. Hint: Use print, not return. The name of your function should be informative.
- 11. Apply your function to the vector with test scores that you created in number 5.

```
#Same function as before--sorry, I did it this way before reading on!
ComponentC_GradingScheme <- function(x){
ifelse(x<50, "FALSE", "TRUE")
}</pre>
```

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[1] "FALSE" "TRUE" "TRUE" "TRUE"

12. QUESTION: Which option of if and else vs. ifelse worked? Why?

Answer: I chose "ifelse" because it is simpler.