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Big data mining (MDLE)

Laboratory Class #1 — R language and environment setup  
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Code and Report are due by March, 22

1. Data Resources and Software Tools.

For this laboratory class, you will need the following software:

- Access to RServer (<http://datalys.dyn.fil.e.ipl.pt:8787>) or,
- R, <https://cran.r-project.org/>, and
- R Studio, <https://posit.co/downloads/>.

As a preparation to the lab, you should:

- download the Sparklyr and RStudio IDE cheat sheets from <https://posit.co/resources/cheatsheets/>.

2. R Primer.

- (a) Go to <http://www.r-tutor.com/r-introduction> and read the basic data types section.
- (b) Open R Studio, execute and explain each of the following statements, one by one (and check the values on the 'Global Environment' tab). Beware with the cut+paste:

i. Scalars and Operators.

```
1  var1 <- 3
2  show(var1)
3  var2 <- var1 * var1
4  var3 <- var1 ** 2
5  var4 <- var1 ^ 2
6  var1 < var1
7  var3 != var4
8  var2 == var4
9  var2 <- var2 - var2
10 var5 <- var3 / var2
11 var5 + 1
```

ii. Manipulating vectors.

```
1  a <- c(1,2,5.3,6,-2,4,3.14159265359)
2  a
3  b <- c("1", "2", "3")
4  "2" %in% b
5  "5" %in% b
```

```

6  c <- c(TRUE,TRUE,FALSE,TRUE)
7  a <- c
8  a[0]
9  a[1]
10 a[-1]
11 a[8]
12 a[c(1,3)]
13 a[c(3,1)]
14 a[a > 2]

```

### iii. Manipulating matrices.

```

1  m <- matrix(1:6, nrow=3,ncol=2)
2  show(m)
3  n <- matrix(2:7, nrow=2,ncol=3)
4  n
5  m[,2]
6  n[1,]
7  m[2:3,1:2]
8  n %*% m
9  m %*% n
10 n %*% n
11 n^2
12 sqrt(n)

```

### iv. Manipulating data frames.

```

1  d <- c(1,2,3,4)
2  e <- c("Bob", "Alice", NA,"Joe")
3  f <- c(TRUE,TRUE,FALSE,TRUE)
4  my.data <- data.frame(d,e,f,stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
5  show(my.data)
6  names(my.data) <- c("ID","Name","Passed")
7  View(my.data)
8  my.data$Name
9  my.data <- cbind(my.data, Failed=!f)
10 View(my.data)
11 my.data <- rbind(my.data, c(5,"Carol",FALSE,TRUE))
12 View(my.data)
13 ?data.frame

```

### v. Manipulating factors.

```

1  colour <- c(rep("red",20), rep("blue", 30))
2  colour <- factor(colour)
3  summary(colour)
4  dimensions <- c("large", "medium", "small")
5  show(dimensions)
6  dimensions <- ordered(dimensions)
7  show(dimensions)

```

### vi. Some useful functions.

```

1  length(colour)
2  length(a)
3  class(colour)
4  class(dimensions)
5  class(a)
6  class(my.data)
7  nrow(my.data)
8  ncol(my.data)
9  str(my.data)
10 sessionInfo()
11 ls()
12 rm(a)
13 glimpse(my.data)

```

vii. Packages.

```
1 library()
2 search()
3 library("MASS")
4 search()
5 .libPaths()
6 install.packages("e1071")
7 install.packages("funModeling")
8
9 x<-c("MASS","dplyr","e1071")
10 lapply(x, require, character.only = TRUE)
11
12 require(funModeling)
```

viii. Basic descriptive statistics and more.

```
1 iris
2 summary(iris)
3 fivenum(iris$Sepal.Length)
4
5 status(iris)
```

- (c) Open the file “**ControlFlow.R**”, handed with this guide, and:
  - i. Set a breakpoint at line 6 and run the code delimited by region *EX.1*, step by step.
  - ii. Explain the purpose of the three examples, named *EX.1*, *EX.2*, and *EX.3*.
- (d) Implement and show a code that gets the first two columns of *my.data*, using the range operator indexation.
- (e) Implement and show a code that gets the first two columns of *my.data*, using vector indexation.
- (f) Install the package **Hmisc**, and use the function **describe** on *my.data* variable.

### 3. Setup Spark.

- (a) Install the package **sparklyr** using `install.packages("sparklyr")`. It may take some minutes, so be patient.
- (b) Install *Spark* using `library(sparklyr) spark_install(version = '3.3.2', hadoop_version = '3')`

### 4. Spark primer.

Describe the commands used (if not listed), the problems (if any), and the results of the following points, line by line:

- (a) Check, programmatically, if **sparklyr** package is loaded. Next, connect to *Spark* using `ss <- spark_connect('local', version = '3.3.2', hadoop_version = '3', config = list())`.
- (b) View the content of variable **ss**.
- (c) Use function **copy\_to** from package **dplyr** to copy the *iris* data set to *Spark*.

```
1 library(dplyr)
2 df <- copy_to(ss, iris)
3 show(df)
```

- (d) Show some sample data from the loaded data set.

```
1 head(select(df, Petal.Width, Species))
2 head(filter(df, Petal.Width > 0.3))
3 df %>% head
```

- (e) Using SQL

```
1 library(DBI)
2 df_sql <- dbGetQuery(ss, "SELECT * FROM iris WHERE Petal.Width > 0.3 LIMIT 5")
3 show(df_sql)
```

(f) Get data from *Spark* nodes.

```
1 local_df <- collect(df)
2 show(local_df)
3 show(df)
```

(g) Disconnect spark using `spark_disconnect(ss)`. Confirm, programmatically, that *Spark* is closed.

(h) Indicate, as an example, a supervised learning algorithm implemented on *Spark*, and available through `sparklyr`.

(i) Indicate, as an example, a unsupervised learning algorithm implemented on *Spark*, and available through `sparklyr`.

(j) Tell how *Spark* can support the *Big data process pipeline*. Try to start at <https://spark.rstudio.com>