Workshop: Introduction to R

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Welcome blabla,
Who's a complete beginner?
Give me a R, give me a ... well that's it
Potential addition: matrix fill up scheme, Rstudio use guide/slide, Tips
box, Question box
Exercises/data to prepare:
nice/funny plots
useful function
debugging
one-liner quiz.

Why learning R?

Useful for your research

- ► To explore your results. Curiosity and safety!
- ► To do/understand your analysis. Independence and control!
- ▶ To apply the latest Bioinformatics analyzes. Bioconductor!
- ▶ To keep track of your analysis. Reproducibility and automation!
- ▶ You do it, not some busy bioinformatician.

It's a good time investment

Simple: interpretative language(no compilation needed), no memory, vectorized.

Free: widely used, vast community of R users, good life expectancy.

Multiplatform: Windows, Mac, Unix, it works everywhere.

671 packages in Bioconductor. Bioconductor provides tools for the analysis and comprehension of high-throughput genomic data.

vs other languages

Let's create an array, shuffle it and find where is 5.

```
In C...
```

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <time.h>
int main() {
    int size = 10:
    int *elements = malloc(sizeof(int)*size);
    int i = 0;
    srand(time(NULL));
    for (i = 0; i < size; ++i)
        elements[i] = i;
    for (i = size - 1; i > 0; --i) {
        int w = rand()%i:
       int t = elements[i];
        elements[i] = elements[w];
        elements[w] = t;
    for(i = 0; i < size; ++i) {
        if(elements[i] == 5)
            printf("%d\n", i);
    free(elements);
```

In R...

```
which(sample(0:9) == 5)
```

The shuffle array example is good

Easy installation

- ► Install R from http://cran.r-project.org/
- Additionally, you can get a nice interface through Rstudio Desktop from http://www.rstudio.com/ide/download/desktop



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Emacs+ESS on Linux, R console on Mac

Data structure - Overview

Unit type

```
numeric Numbers, e.g. 0, 1, 42, -66.6.
```

character Words, e.g. "male", "ENSG0007", "Vive la France".

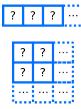
logical Binary, i.e. two possible values: TRUE or FALSE.

Structure

vector Ordered collection of elements of the same type.

matrix Matrix of element of the same type.

list Flexible container, mixed type possible. Recursive.





Other type but more complex and less useful, e.g. factors

a value to an object

Choose an object name

- ▶ Letters, numbers, dot or underline characters.
- ▶ Starts with a letter or the dot not followed by a number.
- ► Correct: "valid.name", "valid_name", "valid2name3".
- ► Incorrect: "valid name", "valid-name", "1valid2name3".

Assign a value

The name of the object followed by the assignment symbol and the value.

```
valid.name_123 = 1
valid.name_123 <- 1</pre>
```

valid.name_123

Vector construction

- c Concatenate function.
- 1:10 Vector with numbers from 1 to 10.
- rep Repeat element several times.

```
luckyNumbers = c(4,8,15,16,23,42)
luckyNumbers
oneToTen = 1:10
tenOnes = rep(1,10)
samples = c("sampA","sampB")
samples
```

Questions: Create your own numbers and favorite group of friends/hockey player/star/genes.

create a vector with 10:20 and three 3

Be creative: different names, values, sizes

Manipulation

```
Using an index between [].
```

vec[i:j] Get or set a vector from i^{th} to j^{th} values.

Characterization

length Number of element in the vector.

names Get or set the names of the vector's values.

Square-brackets
Questions:
Show me your third number
change it
Create a new vector with the first three numbers
Show me the first and last values of it
add 3 at the end of the vector
Name the values one two three four

Manipulation

```
sort Sort a vector.

order Get the index of the sorted elements.

rev Reverse a vector.

sample Shuffle a vector.
```

```
sort(luckyNumbers)
luckyNumbers[order(luckyNumbers)]
sort(c(luckyNumbers,1:10,tenOnes))
rev(1:10)
sample(1:10)
```

Questions: print a shuffle version of the vector add "Jean" at the end of the character vector, reverse it, make the reverse the new value.

Exploration

head/tail Print the first/last values.

On numeric vectors:

summary Summary statistics: minimum, mean, maximum, ... min/max/mean/var Minimum, maximum, average, variance. sum Sum of the vector's values.

Example

head(samples)
summary(luckyNumbers)
mean(luckyNumbers)
min(luckyNumbers)

Exploration
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Tips: na.rm Questions: Show me the beginning of your numbers average value of this beginning the sum of the minimum and maximum value.

Operations

- ▶ Simple arithmetic operations over all the values of the vector.
- ▶ Or values by values when using vectors of same length.
- ▶ Arithmetic operation: +, -, *, /.

luckyNumber s* 1:length(luckyNumbers) = rev(1:length(luckyNumbers))

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Let's apply it to the Exercise

Exercise - Guess my favorite number

Instructions

- 1. Create a vector with 6 numeric values
- 2. Multiply it by 6.
- 3. Add 21.
- 4. Divide it by 3
- 5. Substract 1.
- 6. Halve it.
- 7. Substract its original values.

Specific to matrices

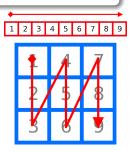
matrix Create a matrix from a vector.

 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} parameters define the number of rows and columns.

mat[i:j,k:l] Subset from the i to j row and k to l column.

```
neo = matrix(1:12,3,4)
neo
```

```
neo[1:2,1:3]
neo[1:2,1:3] = matrix(rep(1,6),2,3)
```



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Questions:

create 4x4 matrix with number from 1 to 16 the same but shuffled print the first column the three first columns

Specific to matrices

rbind/cbind Concatenate vectors or matrix by row or column.

dim Dimension of the matrix: number of rows and columns.
rownames/colnames Get or set the names of the rows/columns.

```
rbind(neo, neo)
cbind(neo, neo)

dim(neo)
dim(rbind(neo,neo))

colnames(neo) = c("gene1", "gene2", "gene3", "gene4")
rownames(neo) = c("sample1", "sample2", "sample3")
neo
```

Questions: Add an extra line to the matrix Add an extra line to the matrix then the matrix square matrix Print the new dimension

Same as vector

- ▶ length, head, tail.
- ▶ For numeric matrix: min, max, sum, mean.
- \blacktriangleright Arithmetic operations: +, -, *, /.

```
head(mat)
mean(mat)
sum(mat) / length(mat)
mat * 2
mat + mat
```

Questions:

Average of the matrix Average of the first two columns multiply by 2 and substract the matrix

Exercise

- 1. Create a matrix of with 100 rows and 4 columns with random numbers inside. *Tip:* runif function for random numbers.
- 2. Name the columns. E.g. sampleA, sampleB, ...
- 3. Print the name of the column with the largest mean value.
- 4. Print the name of the column with the largest value.

What if it had 100 rows...

- apply

New best friend

- ▶ Apply a function to row or columns of a 2 dimension data structure (matrix or data frame).
- ▶ No manual iteration, the loop is implicit.
- ▶ Second argument: 1 means rows, 2 means columns.

```
apply(mat,1,mean)
apply(mat,2,function(x){
  x.mean = mean(x)
  return(x.mean+1)
})
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Example

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spip-junct, 2, means columns.

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Same for list, etc output

Flexible container

A list can contain any element type. It does not require elements to be of the same type.

```
list Create a list.

l[[i]] Get or set the i^{th} object of the list.

l$toto Get or set the element labeled as toto.

names Get or set the names of the list elements.

length Get the number of element in the list.

str Output the structure of a R object.
```

```
1 = list(vec=1:10,mat=matrix(runif(25),5))
str(1)
1
l$vec = 1
1
```

Example 1 = list(vec=1:10,mat=matrix(runif(25),5)) str(1)

str(1) 1 1Svec = 1

Questions:

Make a phonebook: A list of 3 elements (vectors): names, phone number and address

- lapply

apply for lists

▶ Useful way to iterate through lists.

```
file_list <- read.files('.')
files_content <- lapply(file_list, function(file) \{
data <- read.csv(file)
#Do something with the data
return(data)
\})</pre>
```

- ▶ Name of the function with arguments between parenthesis.
- ightharpoonup E.g. mean(x).

Do your own

function To define functions.

▶ All the object created within the function are temporary.

return Define what will be returned by the function.

```
almostMean = function(x){
  x.mean = mean(x)
  return(x.mean+1)
}
almostMean(0:10)
x.mean
```

Question: create a function that : return the average of the minimum and maximum of a vector returns the power: ${\sf pow} < -$ function(base, exp)

Functions - Exercise

Create a function that:

- returns the average of the minimum and maximum value of a vector.
- 2. returns the power of a number.

Two arguments: base and exponent.

Returns: $base^{exponent}$.

 $\underline{\mathit{Tips:}}\ base^{exponent} = e^{exponent \times ln(base)} = \exp(\text{exponent * log(base}))$

Logical tests

- == Are both values equal.
- \succ or \geq Is the left value greater (greater or equal) than the right value.
- $\prec or \leq$ Is the left value smaller (smaller or equal) than the left value.
 - ! Is a NOT operator that negates the value of a test.
 - Is an OR operator used to combine logical tests. Returns TRUE if either are TRUE.
 - && Is an AND operator used to combine logical tests.

 Returns TRUE if both are TRUE

```
test <- 2 + 2 == 4 (TRUE)
test && !test (FALSE)
test || !test (TRUE)</pre>
```

Is more details on logical rules necessary?

Question: write a function that:
filters out numbers smaller than 3

The same with the threshold as a parameter: largerThan < - function(data, threshold) {...}

Boolean

Any logical tests can be vectorized (compare 2 vectors).

- Is a OR operator for vectorized application.
- & Is an AND operator for vectorized application.
- which Returns the index of the vectors with TRUE values.
 - any Take a vector of logical and return TRUE if at least one value is TRUE.
- %in% Vectorized any. See example/supp material.

```
c(TRUE, TRUE) & c(TRUE, FALSE) -> TRUE, FALSE
which(5:10 == 6)
any(9>1:10)
any(9>1:10 & 8<=1:10)
luckyNumbers[which(luckyNumbers %in% c(16,42,-66.6))]</pre>
```

c(TRUE, TRUE) & c(TRUE, FALSE) \rightarrow TRUE, FALSE which(5:10 == 6) any (9>1:10) any (9>1:10 & 8<=1:10) luckyNumbers[which(luckyNumbers %in% c(16.42.-66.6))]

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threshold) {...}

Conditions - Exercise

Create a function that:

- 1. remove values below 3 from a vector.
- 2. remove values below a specified threshold from a vector.

conditions

if else

Test if a condition, if TRUE run some instruction, if FALSE something else (or nothing).

```
if( CONDITION ){
   INSTRUCTIONS
}
```

```
if(length(luckyNumbers)>3){
  cat("Too many lucky numbers.\n")
  luckyNumbers = luckyNumbers[1:3]
} else if(length(luckyNumbers)==3){
  cat("Just enough lucky numbers.\n")
} else {
  cat("You need more lucky numbers.\n")
}
```

Question: write a function that classify the average expression of a vector into "low" for lower than 3, "medium" between 3 and 7, "high" greater than 7.

if else - Exercise

Create a function that classify the average value of a vector. It returns:

- ightharpoonup low if the average if below 3.
- ▶ medium if the average if between 3 and 7.
- ightharpoonup high if the average if above 7.

for loops

Iterate over the element of a container and run instructions.

```
for(v in vec){
... Instruction
}
```

while loops

Run instructions as long as a condition is TRUE.

```
while( CONDITION ){
    ... Instruction
}
```

```
facto = 1
for(n in 1:10){
   facto = facto * n
}
```

Apply versus loop speech then vote if they want to do the exercice?

Loops - Exercise

Write a function that computes the mean values of the columns:

- 1. using the apply function.
- 2. using a for loop.
- 3. (using a while loop.)

/export data

R objects

- save Save R objects into a file. Usual extension: .RData. file= argument to specify file name.
- save.image Save the entire R environment.
 - load Load R objects from a (.RData) file. verbose to print the names of the objects loaded.

```
save(luckyNumbers, tenOnes, mat, file="uselessData.RData")
load(file="uselessData.RData")
load(file="dataForBasicPlots.RData",verbose=TRUE)
```

Example save(luckyNumbers, tendines, mat, file-"uselessData.NData") lend(file-"uselessBata.NData") lend(file-"dataForBais=fota.NData", verbose-TNUE)

Rstudio tips Questions: load data for next exercise. Save your objects if you want to...

/export data - Text files

Easy but important

- ▶ What data structure is the more appropriate? vector, matrix?
- ▶ Does R read/write the file the way you want?
- ▶ The extra arguments of the functions are your allies.

read.data

To read a data.frame from a multi-column file.

```
file the file name.
```

- $\begin{array}{ll} \text{header} & TRUE \text{ use the first line for the column names. Default:} \\ & FALSE. \end{array}$
 - as.is= TRUE read the values as simple type, no complex type inference, **recommended**. Default: FALSE.
 - sep= the character that separate each column. By default, a white-space or end of line.

/export data - Text files

write.data

To write a data frame in a multi-column file.

df the matrix or data.frame to write.

file the file name.

col.names = TRUE print the column names in the first line. Default: TRUE.

 $\operatorname{row.names} = \mathit{TRUE}$ print the rows names in the first columns. Default:

TRUE.

quote= TRUE surround character by quotes("). Default: $TRUE \rightarrow$ messy.

 $\mbox{sep}=\mbox{ the character that separate each column. By default, a white-space.}$

Questions: try to write a matrix with the different arguments Then re-read it.

hist

Plot the value distribution of a vector.

x The vector with the values to plot.

plot

Plot one vector against the other.

- x The first vector to plot. x-axis.
- y The second vector to plot. *y-axis*.
- type How the points are plotted. "p" as points, "l" joined by lines.

```
hist(mat.ge[,1])
plot(mat.ge[,1],mat.ge[,2])
```

Common arguments

```
main= A title for the plot.

xlab=/ylab= A name for the x/y axis.

xlim=/ylim A vector of size two defining the desired limit on the x/y axis.
```

Example

```
xlab="first column values")
plot(mat.ge[,1],mat.ge[,2],main="Another basic graph",
    xlab="first column values",ylab="second column values")
```

hist(mat.ge[,1],main="A basic graph",

Extra parameters

```
col the colour of the points/lines. 1:black, 2:red, ... pch Shape of the points. 1:circle, 2:triangle, ... lty Shape of the lines. 1:plain, 2:dotted, ...
```

Extra functions

lines Same as plot but super-imposed to the existent one. abline Draw vertical/horizontal lines.

```
plot(mat.ge[,1],mat.ge[,2],main="Another basic graph",
    xlab="first column values",ylab="second column values")
lines(mat.ge[,1],mat.ge[,3],type="p",col=2,pch=2)
abline(h=0,lty=2)
```

boxplot

Plot the distribution (quantiles/median/outliers) of variables.

x The matrix (or list) of distributions

Example

boxplot(mat.ge)

Debugging

Instructions

- 1. Open **scriptToDebug.R** document.
- 2. Run and debug it!

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Bugs: header load table, type read.table, parenthesis/brackets, infinite loop, NA in mean etc, operation different length, type coercion numeric character, non-unique (col)names, (global variable within function), apply rows returning matrix

One-liner quiz

Instructions

Write R command to address each question. Only one-line command allowed. The shorter the better.

Questions

- 1. From a matrix of numeric, compute the proportion of columns with average value higher than 0.
- 2. From a matrix of numeric, print the name of the columns with the highest value.
- 3. From a matrix of numeric, print the rows with only positive values.

4.

Find more questions.

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coercion.

- ► Automatic conversion of an object to another type, e.g numeric→character, logical→numeric.
- ▶ Awareness for debugging.
- ▶ Useful sometimes.

```
is.numeric( c(1:10,"eleven") )
logical.vector = c(TRUE,TRUE,FALSE,TRUE,FALSE)
sum(logical.vector)
mean(logical.vector)
```

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* Example

Questions: How would you do it

character

operations

- paste Paste several character into one.

 grep Search a pattern in a vector and return the index when
- grepl Search a pattern in a vector and return TRUE if found.
- strsplit Split character into several.

matched.

Example

which(sample.names=="controlA" & sample.names=="controlB")
grep("control", sample.names)



More details

character species pairs Parts several character into one. pairs Parts several character into one. pay Several several character into one. pay Several seve

which(mample.namez=="control&" & mample.namez=="control&")
grep("control",mample.namez)

your plot into a pdf/png

```
Open a connection to a output file, plot as usual, close the connection. pdf Open the connection to a pdf output. png Open the connection to a png output. dev.off() Close the connection
```

```
pdf("myNicePlot.pdf")
plot(...)
dev.off()
```