

Algoritma Academy: Programming for Data Science

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Before you go ahead and run the code in this coursebook, it's often a good idea to go through some initial setup. Under the *Libraries and Setup* tab you'll see some code to initialize our workspace, and the libraries we'll be using for the projects. You may want to make sure that the libraries are installed beforehand by referring back to the packages listed here. Under the *Training Focus* tab we'll outline the syllabus, identify the key objectives and set up expectations for each module.

Background

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Second Edition

This coursebook is initially written in 2017.

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Libraries and Setup

We'll set-up caching for this notebook given how computationally expensive some of the code we will write can get.

```
# chunk set up
knitr::opts_chunk$set(cache=TRUE,
                        fig.align = "center",
                        comment = "#>"
                        )

# set up scientific notation
options(scipen = 9999)

# clear Global Environment
rm(list=ls())
```

You will need to use `install.packages()` to install any packages that are not already downloaded onto your machine. You then load the package into your workspace using the `library()` function:

```
library(dplyr)
library(skimr)
```

Training Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to provide a comprehensive introduction to the science of statistical programming and the toolsets required to succeed with data science work. The syllabus covers:

- **Basic Programming in R**
 - Objects and Environment
 - Data Classes in R
 - Data Structures in R
- Data Science Workflow
- R Scripts and R Markdown
- **Data Manipulation**
 - Read & Extracting Data
 - Practical Data Cleansing
 - Data Transformation
- **Statistical Computing**
 - Organizing your Project

- Modern Tools for Data Analysis
 - Reproducible Data Science
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By the end of the workshop, Academy students can choose to complete either of the Learn-By-Building modules as their graded assignment:

R Script to clean & transform the data

A programming script that perform various data cleansing tasks and output the result in an appropriate format for further data science work.

Reproducible Data Science

Create an R Markdown file that combines data transformation code with explanatory text. Add formatting styles and hierarchical structure using Markdown.

R Programming

Since you'll spend a great deal of your time working with data in R and RStudio, I think it's important to get yourself very familiar with this IDE (Integrated Development Environment). RStudio is the most popular integrated development for R and is a core tool for data science teams in Airbnb¹, Uber² etc., and is a tool we'll be using throughout the Academy workshops.

If you're a seasoned programmer, the **Option + Shift + K** (Alt + Shift + K on Windows) combination will bring up a shortcut reference guide that helps you use RStudio more effectively.

Why learn R at all?

1. Built by statisticians, for statisticians.

R is a statistical programming language created by Ross Ihaka and Robert Gentleman at the Department of Statistics, at the University of Auckland (New Zealand). R is created for the purpose of data analysis and as such, is different in nature from traditional programming languages. R is not just a statistical programming language, it is a complete environment for data scientist and the most widely used data analysis software today³.

2. Libraries.

R's libraries extend R's graphical abilities, and adds out-of-the-box functionalities for linear and non-linear modeling, statistical tests (confidence tests, P-value, t-test etc), time-series analysis, and various machine learning tools such as regression algorithms, classification algorithms, and clustering algorithms. The R community is noted for its active contributions in terms of packages and boasts nearly 20,000 packages to date.

3. Open Source. Part of the reason for its active and rapidly growing community is the open-source nature of R. Users can contribute packages – many of which packaged some of the most advanced statistical tools that are not found in other commercial, proprietary statistical computing softwares.

4. Used by the biggest software companies in the world.

R is used by Google to calculate ROI on advertising campaigns and estimate causal effect (say, estimate the impact of an app feature on app downloads or number of additional sales from an AdWords

¹How R Helps AirBnB make the most of its data

²Uber Engineering's Tech Stack: The Foundation

³Microsoft R Open: The Enhanced R Distribution

campaign); In fact, it even released its own R packages to allow other R users to do similar analysis using the same tool⁴. Data Science employees at Google participate in User Groups to discuss how R is used in Google (answer: it's used very widely in a production environment at Google and Google integrates R with many of their own technologies), publishing its own R client for the Google Prediction API, Google's R style guide, and its developers have released a number of R packages over the years. Microsoft first uses R for Azure capacity planning, Xbox's TrueSkill Matchmaking System, player churn analysis, in-game purchase optimization, fraud detection, and other internal services across Microsoft's line of products⁵, and then went on to acquire Revolution Analytics, whom products were then rebranded and renewed by Microsoft and now known as Microsoft R Server, Microsoft R Open, Microsoft Data Science Virtual Machine etc.

5. Ready for big data

RHadoop, ParallelR, Revolution R Enterprise and a handful of other toolkits adds powerful big data support, allowing data engineers to create custom parallel and distributed algorithms to handle parallel / map-reduce programming in R. This makes R a popular choice for big data analytics and high performance, enterprise-level analytics platform.

6. Employability!

R is a required skill for data science roles across all top Indonesian's startups: GoJek, Traveloka, Uber, Shopee, Twitter, HappyFresh etc. Do a quick search on job portals (Tech In Asia's Jobs, JobStreet etc) and you'll see R is a highly sought-after language skill.

The Google's R Style Guide is the one we'll adhere to - if this is the first time you're writing R code, I recommend you adopt these "best practices" as a certain level of strictness can make you a more disciplined and methodical programmer in the long run.

R Programming Basics

It pays to get yourself familiar with R and RStudio, the IDE (interactive development environment). In our workshop, we'll discuss in more details the various functionalities of RStudio's interface, and if this is the first time you're working in a code environment, spend some time to get yourself familiar with this IDE along with the RMarkdown format as you'll be working with it a lot!

Before moving forward, make sure you have a solid understanding of the following:

- R as a statistical programming language
- RStudio as a code editor and integrated development environment
- The RMarkdown format

To get started, let's write our first R code by typing `getwd()` into the Console (bottom of the screen), or by running in from within a Chunk (look for the green "run" button):

```
# This is a comment  
getwd()
```

```
#> [1] "G:/My Drive/RnD/Python for Finance/1_programming_for_data_science"
```

```
# setwd(...)
```

⁴CausalImpact: A new open-source package for estimating causal effects in time series

⁵R at Microsoft

Notice the “#” character in the first and third line of the code chunk, indicating to R that it’s a comment and should be ignored. `setwd()` was ignored because it’s on the same line and to the right of the “#” character. As you may have expected, `setwd()` is used to change our working directory by setting a new one.

R is **case-sensitive** so “Algoritma” and “algoritma” are different symbols and will point to different variables.

```
activity <- "Programming"
activity == "programming"
```

```
#> [1] FALSE
```

```
print(paste(activity, "in data science."))
```

```
#> [1] "Programming in data science."
```

```
# Un-comment the following line; Observe that object 'Activity' don't exist!
# print(Activity) will not work
```

Vectors

Speaking of objects, some of the most common data types that you’ll come across are: - character

- numeric

- integer

- logical

The most basic form of an R object is a vector. As a rule, a vector can only contain objects of the same class:

```
vector1 <- c("learning", "data", "science", 2018)
class(vector1)
```

```
#> [1] "character"
```

```
vector2 <- c(1, FALSE, FALSE, 0)
class(vector2)
```

```
#> [1] "numeric"
```

Also observe how we use the `c()` function to concatenate objects together to form a vector.

`vector1` is now an object in our global environment, but if you’re paying attention, you’ll notice that it is a **character vector**. While 2018 itself is a numeric, because of the “same-class” rule we learn above, 2018 was coerced into a character so that the resulting vector is valid. 2018 (the numeric) is “2018” (character) as a result:

```
vector1
```

```
#> [1] "learning" "data"      "science"   "2018"
```

Similarly, in `vector2`, 1 is a numeric, and `FALSE` is a logical, and therefore the `FALSE` values are coerced into a numeric. Go ahead and print out `vector2` as a confirmation:

```
# your code here:
```

R objects may have attributes like `names`, `class`, `length`, `colnames`, `dim` etc:

```
names(vector2) <- c("User ID", "Active", "Cart Items", "Payment")
length(vector2)
```

```
#> [1] 4
```

```
vector2
```

```
#>   User ID   Active Cart Items   Payment
#>      1      0         0         0
```

Recall how implicit coercion (R's default) takes place earlier when we create our `vector1` and `vector2`. We could explicitly coerce one class to another:

```
vector2 <- c(1,FALSE,FALSE,0)
vector2.b <- as.logical(vector2)
vector2.b
```

```
#> [1] TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE
```

```
class(vector2.b)
```

```
#> [1] "logical"
```

Dive Deeper:

Create a vector and name it `customers`. Store 4 names in the vector and make sure it is a **character** vector. Create another vector and name it `age`, store 4 numeric in the vector and make sure it is a **numeric** vector.

```
# Your code here:
```

2. Use `class()` and `length()` in the code chunk below to verify that you have done the exercise above correctly:

```
# Your code here:
```

3. Create another vector and name it `suppliers`. Store 3 names in it:

```
# Your code here
```

4. Join the `customers` and `suppliers` vector into one vector using the concatenate technique you've learned, which is `c()`.

```
# Your code here:
```

If you've managed to execute the above exercises in the dive deeper section: congratulations! Throughout the course you'll do a number of these exercises, and they are useful revision tools that you should take advantage of to test your knowledge and make sure you have a full grasp of the topics being assessed.

You've seen how numeric and character classes and even made a few vectors of your own above! But R has other object types and we'll take a look at them:

```

# character
tempo <- c("Algoritma", "Indonesia", "e-Commerce", "Jakarta")
# numeric
tempo <- c(-1, 1, 2, 3/4, 0.5)
# integer
tempo <- c(1L, 2L)
# integer
tempo <- 5:8
# logical
tempo <- c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE)

```

A quick note on integers: they cannot take decimal or fractional values, while numerics can. Numerics act more like the “float” or “double” types supported by many other programming languages.

Matrix

When we create a vector and give it a dimension attribute, we end up with a matrix:

```

matri <- matrix(11:16, nrow=3, ncol=2)
dim(matri)

```

```
#> [1] 3 2
```

```
matri
```

```

#>      [,1] [,2]
#> [1,]   11   14
#> [2,]   12   15
#> [3,]   13   16

```

Notice how the values fill up by column from the [1,1] position, which is the most upper-left position.

Once created, we can refer to any row or column using R’s subsetting operator:

```
matri[1,]
```

```
#> [1] 11 14
```

```
matri[,2]
```

```
#> [1] 14 15 16
```

We could also have constructed a matrix by giving an existing vector the `dim` attribute:

```

numbers <- 11:16
dim(numbers) <- c(2,3)
numbers

```

```

#>      [,1] [,2] [,3]
#> [1,]   11   13   15
#> [2,]   12   14   16

```

Notice `c(2,3)` means “2 rows, 3 columns”. Contrast this to our `matri` object above and the way we constructed matrices using two different approach.

Another interesting way to construct a matrix:

```
accounts <- c("AlphaMall", "BetaMall", "OmegaMall")
sales <- c(400,320,380)
returns <- c(0,0,480)
netsales <- sales - returns
# cbind = bind as columns
# rbind = bind as rows
# rbind(accounts, sales, returns)

sales_records <- cbind(accounts, sales, netsales)
```

`sales_record` is now a matrix. Go ahead and print it, then observe how 400 (numeric) has been coerced into “400” (strings) so the resulting matrix is a valid R object.

Dive Deeper:

1. You learned how to bind the three vectors by columns. Now create a matrix named `sales_records` and bind `sales`, `returns` and `netsales` by rows (instead of columns). You can do this with `rbind` (row-bind)

```
# Your code here
```

2. You can optionally check that you’ve done the above step correctly by printing out the matrix and / or use `dim()` to verify that is in fact a 3x3 matrix. Now assign `accounts` as column names to your matrix. To assign column names to a matrix, we can use `colnames(mymatrix) <- c("Name1", "Name2", "Name3")`:

```
# Your code here
```

3. Print our `sales_records`:

```
# Your code here
```

Dive Deeper

Recall that I’ve repeatedly stressed that as a rule, a vector can contain objects of the same class? Consider the following code:

- 1. What is the class of the resulting vector `quiz1`?
- 2. What is the dimensions attribute of `quiz1`?
- 3. How many times did implicit coercion happened?

List

There is a type of R object that is exempted from the rule we repeatedly mention above, and it’s the **List**:

```
our.list <- list(TRUE, "TRUE", c(1,6,12), 1+5i)
our.list
```



```

#> [[1]]
#> [1] TRUE
#>
#> [[2]]
#> [1] "TRUE"
#>
#> [[3]]
#> [1] 1 6 12
#>
#> [[4]]
#> [1] 1+5i

```

A list, as we've observed above, can contain elements that are of different classes from other members of the list. You can subset from a list much like how you've done earlier: however, any subsets using a single square bracket `[]` will return a list. To return the elements itself, use double square-brackets: `[[]]`

Demonstration of subsetting elements from our list:

```
our.list[3]
```

```

#> [[1]]
#> [1] 1 6 12

```

```
our.list[[3]]
```

```
#> [1] 1 6 12
```

```
class(our.list[3])
```

```
#> [1] "list"
```

```
class(our.list[[3]])
```

```
#> [1] "numeric"
```

Factors

Another important concept in R is factors - many statistical modeling techniques and prediction algorithms treat factors specially either as a target outcome (in machine learning language) or dependent variable (in statistics) while many other modeling techniques treat factors specially when they're used as independent variables. Factors is useful in representing categorical variables whether or not they are unordered (cash, credit, transfer) or ordered (high volume, normal volume, low volume):

```

categories <- factor(c("OfficeSupplies", "Computers", "Packaging", "Machinery", "Building"))
categories # levels are sorted alphabetically unless through the levels argument

```

```

#> [1] OfficeSupplies Computers      Packaging      Machinery      Building
#> Levels: Building Computers Machinery OfficeSupplies Packaging

```

Data Frames

Data frames can be thought of as a special case of lists where every element of the list has to have the same length. Each element of the list can be thought of as a column in the data frame.

```
categories_df <- data.frame(categories=c("OfficeSupplies", "Computers", "Packaging", "Machinery", "Building"),
                             category_id=c(111, 112, 113, 114, 115))
categories_df
```

```
#>      categories category_id
#> 1 OfficeSupplies      111
#> 2      Computers      112
#> 3      Packaging      113
#> 4      Machinery      114
#> 5      Building      115
```

And we can perform mathematical operations on our dataframes, the same way we can do it with matrices. If we need to update our system by adding one new category on the top of the list such that all existing IDs are incremented by one, we can do so:

```
categories_df$category_id + 1
```

```
#> [1] 112 113 114 115 116
```

Notice that here we're accessing the `category_id` column using the '\$' operator.

Hopefully by now you also observe how R conveniently applies implicit coercion so our data frame and matrix can be multiplied. This is another nice property of R!

```
class(1-TRUE)
```

```
#> [1] "numeric"
```

```
TRUE + TRUE * 34
```

```
#> [1] 35
```

R Programming with Retail

With the foundations laid, let's now take a look at a real life dataset and apply our newly acquired knowledge.

First make sure the data you'll like to work with is also in your current directory, and use the `read.csv()` to read our csv file into your global environment. Having our CSV in the same directory as the one we're working in isn't required, we may have used the full path as well. However, to keep our projects organized I would recommend you keep your scripts, working files, and its dependent data in the same directory whenever it's convenient to do so:

```
retail <- read.csv("data_input/retail.csv")
names(retail)
```

```
#> [1] "Row.ID"      "Order.ID"    "Order.Date"  "Ship.Date"   "Ship.Mode"
#> [6] "Customer.ID" "Segment"     "Product.ID"  "Category"    "Sub.Category"
#> [11] "Product.Name" "Sales"       "Quantity"    "Discount"    "Profit"
```

The two lines of code above does two things:

- Read our csv file into R so we can begin working on it
- Use `names()` to get the names of our dataset variable

If you have tried calling `names(Retail)` you would have gotten an error that says object 'Retail' not found. This is because R is case-sensitive, so `Retail` and `retail` are different things. Correct the following code so it prints the dimensions of the dataframe:

```
# Will throw an error: Retail not found
dim(Retail)
```

```
#> Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Retail' not found
```

Notice also that R commands are separated either by a semi-colon (;), or by a newline. So we can write our code like the above, or we could have separate the commands with ';'. For the most part, we will stick to writing code using the new line format as it makes our code more readable and it follows best practice. An example of two commands on the same line:

```
purchases <- 15; purchases * 2;
```

```
#> [1] 30
```

Dive Deeper: Inspect the structure of the data using `str()`

Call `str()` on our `retail` dataset the same way you use `names()`. `str()` returns the structure of an R Object and we'll be using it a lot given how helpful that is.

```
# Your code here
```

Now if you've previously been working with data in a spreadsheet-like environment, using `names()` and `str()` to inspect data may taking a bit of getting used to - however, I can assure you the benefits will become apparent (from a programmability perspective but also, very soon, you'll be dealing with data with thousands of variables and a spreadsheet environment just isn't going to make much sense). For a relatively small dataset as this, you can still view the full CSV in its raw format through the `View(retail)` command, or clicking on the "spreadsheet" icon next to the data you'll like to inspect in the Environment pane.

I don't recommend you use the `View()` command, because in real life you don't always know beforehand the size of data, and taking a peek at the first few rows or last few rows of data would have given you a good idea into the underlying structure of the data.

To see the first 6 observations, we could have just done `head(retail)`. We can pass in an extra argument, *n*, so the function would return the first *n* number of rows instead of the default 6. The following code returns the first 5 rows of our data:

```
head(retail, 5)
```

```
#>   Row.ID      Order.ID Order.Date Ship.Date      Ship.Mode Customer.ID
#> 1      1 CA-2016-152156   11/8/16   11/11/16   Second Class    CG-12520
#> 2      2 CA-2016-152156   11/8/16   11/11/16   Second Class    CG-12520
#> 3      3 CA-2016-138688    6/12/16    6/16/16   Second Class    DV-13045
```

```

#> 4      4 US-2015-108966  10/11/15  10/18/15 Standard Class  S0-20335
#> 5      5 US-2015-108966  10/11/15  10/18/15 Standard Class  S0-20335
#>      Segment      Product.ID      Category Sub.Category
#> 1  Consumer FUR-B0-10001798      Furniture  Bookcases
#> 2  Consumer FUR-CH-10000454      Furniture  Chairs
#> 3 Corporate OFF-LA-10000240 Office Supplies  Labels
#> 4  Consumer FUR-TA-10000577      Furniture  Tables
#> 5  Consumer OFF-ST-10000760 Office Supplies  Storage
#>                                     Product.Name  Sales Quantity
#> 1                                     Bush Somerset Collection Bookcase 261.9600      2
#> 2 Hon Deluxe Fabric Upholstered Stacking Chairs, Rounded Back 731.9400      3
#> 3 Self-Adhesive Address Labels for Typewriters by Universal 14.6200      2
#> 4                                     Bretford CR4500 Series Slim Rectangular Table 957.5775      5
#> 5                                     Eldon Fold 'N Roll Cart System 22.3680      2
#>      Discount      Profit
#> 1      0.00  41.9136
#> 2      0.00 219.5820
#> 3      0.00   6.8714
#> 4      0.45 -383.0310
#> 5      0.20   2.5164

```

I'd now like to drop the first two variables: `Row.ID` and `Order.ID` since we won't be using them. Recall that in R, we can achieve that with `retail[, -c(1:2)]` or `retail[, 3:15]`. The first option explicitly eliminates the first two variables while the latter retain only the third variable to the last.

Data Structures in R

Another thing I'd like to do is to change the type of our `Order.Date` and `Ship.Date` variables. They are currently stored as a Factor (""), which means R will treat them as categorical data. Since they are dates are not categorical, let's perform the conversion to Date using `as.Date()`. Because our dates are in the `mm/dd/yy` format, we would specify an additional argument to `as.Date()` indicating the format:

```

# loadn data
retail <- read.csv("data_input/retail.csv")

# subset columns/variables
retail <- retail[, -c(1:2)]

# date transformation
retail$Order.Date <- as.Date(retail$Order.Date, "%m/%d/%y")
retail$Ship.Date <- as.Date(retail$Ship.Date, "%m/%d/%y")

# quick check
head(retail)

```

```

#>      Order.Date  Ship.Date      Ship.Mode Customer.ID  Segment      Product.ID
#> 1 2016-11-08 2016-11-11    Second Class    CG-12520  Consumer FUR-B0-10001798
#> 2 2016-11-08 2016-11-11    Second Class    CG-12520  Consumer FUR-CH-10000454
#> 3 2016-06-12 2016-06-16    Second Class    DV-13045 Corporate OFF-LA-10000240
#> 4 2015-10-11 2015-10-18 Standard Class    S0-20335  Consumer FUR-TA-10000577
#> 5 2015-10-11 2015-10-18 Standard Class    S0-20335  Consumer OFF-ST-10000760
#> 6 2014-06-09 2014-06-14 Standard Class    BH-11710  Consumer FUR-FU-10001487
#>      Category Sub.Category

```

```

#> 1      Furniture      Bookcases
#> 2      Furniture      Chairs
#> 3 Office Supplies      Labels
#> 4      Furniture      Tables
#> 5 Office Supplies      Storage
#> 6      Furniture  Furnishings
#>
#>                                     Product.Name      Sales
#> 1                                     Bush Somerset Collection Bookcase 261.9600
#> 2      Hon Deluxe Fabric Upholstered Stacking Chairs, Rounded Back 731.9400
#> 3      Self-Adhesive Address Labels for Typewriters by Universal  14.6200
#> 4                                     Bretford CR4500 Series Slim Rectangular Table 957.5775
#> 5                                     Eldon Fold 'N Roll Cart System  22.3680
#> 6 Eldon Expressions Wood and Plastic Desk Accessories, Cherry Wood  48.8600
#>  Quantity Discount      Profit
#> 1          2      0.00  41.9136
#> 2          3      0.00 219.5820
#> 3          2      0.00   6.8714
#> 4          5      0.45 -383.0310
#> 5          2      0.20   2.5164
#> 6          7      0.00  14.1694

```

We will also remove the `Product.ID` and `Discount` variables as they won't be used in this workshop. We'll take this opportunity to learn another one of R's built-in function: `subset()`.

`subset()` returns subsets of vectors, matrices or data frames based on a specified condition:

```

retail <- subset(retail, select=-c(Product.ID, Discount))
str(retail)

```

```

#> 'data.frame':    9994 obs. of  11 variables:
#> $ Order.Date   : Date, format: "2016-11-08" "2016-11-08" ...
#> $ Ship.Date    : Date, format: "2016-11-11" "2016-11-11" ...
#> $ Ship.Mode    : chr  "Second Class" "Second Class" "Second Class" "Standard Class" ...
#> $ Customer.ID  : chr  "CG-12520" "CG-12520" "DV-13045" "SO-20335" ...
#> $ Segment      : chr  "Consumer" "Consumer" "Corporate" "Consumer" ...
#> $ Category     : chr  "Furniture" "Furniture" "Office Supplies" "Furniture" ...
#> $ Sub.Category : chr  "Bookcases" "Chairs" "Labels" "Tables" ...
#> $ Product.Name : chr  "Bush Somerset Collection Bookcase" "Hon Deluxe Fabric Upholstered Stacking Ch
#> $ Sales        : num  262 731.9 14.6 957.6 22.4 ...
#> $ Quantity     : int   2 3 2 5 2 7 4 6 3 5 ...
#> $ Profit       : num  41.91 219.58 6.87 -383.03 2.52 ...

```

Notice now that `Customer.ID` and `Product.Name` are not categorical variables and hence should not be have the Factor type. Just like how we used `as.Date()` to convert a variable to a date type object, we can use `as.Character()` to convert these two variables to a character type.

```

retail$Customer.ID <- as.character(retail$Customer.ID)
retail$Product.Name <- as.character(retail$Product.Name)
names(retail)

```

```

#> [1] "Order.Date"    "Ship.Date"     "Ship.Mode"     "Customer.ID"   "Segment"
#> [6] "Category"      "Sub.Category"  "Product.Name"  "Sales"         "Quantity"
#> [11] "Profit"

```

Our variables in our dataframe are now stored in the right type. We have variables with the following type in our `retail` dataset:

- Factor (`Factor`)
- Date (`Date`)
- Numeric (`num`)
- Integer (`int`)

Dive Deeper: Inspect the structure of the data using `str()`

Integers are different from numerics in that integers cannot take decimal or fractional values (but instead have to be whole numbers) while numerics can.

Can you write three lines of code so the resulting dataframe has `prices` as a numeric variable, `discount` and `shipping` as a logical variable:

```
set.seed(100)
prices <- sample(400:600, 8)
discount <- c("FALSE", "FALSE", "TRUE", "FALSE", "FALSE", "TRUE", "FALSE", "TRUE")
shipping <- rbinom(8, 1, 0.4)

dat <- data.frame(prices, discount, shipping)
# ==== Your Solution ====

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str(dat)
```

```
#> 'data.frame': 8 obs. of 3 variables:
#> $ prices : int 501 511 550 597 403 454 469 497
#> $ discount: chr "FALSE" "FALSE" "TRUE" "FALSE" ...
#> $ shipping: int 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 0
```

R has a built-in function, `summary()` that returns quick summary statistics on each of the variable in our dataset. The following commands are valid:

- `summary(retail)`
- `summary(retail[,1:4])`
- `summary(retail$Sales)`

When `summary()` is called on factor (categorical) variables, it gives us a count on each of the categorical level (more formally called **factor level**), and on numeric variables it will print the 5 number summary of that variable instead. The five number summary is a set of descriptive statistics that provide information about our data and consists of the minimum, maximum, median, first and third quantile:

```
summary(retail)
```

```
#>   Order.Date      Ship.Date      Ship.Mode
#> Min.   :2014-01-03 Min.   :2014-01-07 Length:9994
#> 1st Qu.:2015-05-23 1st Qu.:2015-05-27 Class :character
#> Median :2016-06-26 Median :2016-06-29 Mode  :character
#> Mean   :2016-04-30 Mean   :2016-05-03
#> 3rd Qu.:2017-05-14 3rd Qu.:2017-05-18
#> Max.   :2017-12-30 Max.   :2018-01-05
#> Customer.ID      Segment      Category      Sub.Category
```

```

#> Length:9994      Length:9994      Length:9994      Length:9994
#> Class :character  Class :character  Class :character  Class :character
#> Mode :character   Mode :character   Mode :character   Mode :character
#>
#>
#>
#> Product.Name      Sales      Quantity      Profit
#> Length:9994      Min.       : 0.444   Min.       : 1.00   Min.       :-6599.978
#> Class :character  1st Qu.: 17.280   1st Qu.: 2.00   1st Qu.: 1.729
#> Mode :character  Median : 54.490   Median : 3.00   Median : 8.666
#> Mean : 229.858   Mean : 3.79   Mean : 28.657
#> 3rd Qu.: 209.940   3rd Qu.: 5.00   3rd Qu.: 29.364
#> Max. : 22638.480   Max. : 14.00   Max. : 8399.976

```

Take a minute to go through the result. Realize how useful this function could be - it packs in a ton of information on the distribution of our data, giving u compact yet useful summary of your data.

Subsetting

Earlier we used `retail[, -c(1:2)]`, which drops the first two columns based on what we specify as the selector. This square bracket notation (using `data[row, column]`) allows us to select the desired row, column, or both convenient.

R however has more indexing features for accessing object elements and taking subsets of observations from a dataset. In the following chunks, you will see practical examples of conditional subsetting using two approaches: - `data[subset_conditions,]`

- `subset(data, subset_conditions)`

They are syntactically different, but yields the same result.

We could, for example, select observations of transactions that has a `Profit` greater or equal to \$5,000 using either approach, as demonstrated below:

```
retail[retail$Profit >= 5000, ]
```

```

#>      Order.Date Ship.Date      Ship.Mode Customer.ID Segment Category
#> 4191 2017-11-17 2017-11-22 Standard Class    HL-15040 Consumer Technology
#> 6827 2016-10-02 2016-10-09 Standard Class    TC-20980 Corporate Technology
#> 8154 2017-03-23 2017-03-25   First Class    RB-19360 Consumer Technology
#>      Sub.Category      Product.Name      Sales Quantity
#> 4191 Copiers Canon imageCLASS 2200 Advanced Copier 10499.97      3
#> 6827 Copiers Canon imageCLASS 2200 Advanced Copier 17499.95      5
#> 8154 Copiers Canon imageCLASS 2200 Advanced Copier 13999.96      4
#>      Profit
#> 4191 5039.986
#> 6827 8399.976
#> 8154 6719.981

```

```

# equivalent:
subset(retail, Profit >= 5000)

```

```

#>      Order.Date Ship.Date      Ship.Mode Customer.ID Segment Category
#> 4191 2017-11-17 2017-11-22 Standard Class    HL-15040 Consumer Technology

```

```
#> 6827 2016-10-02 2016-10-09 Standard Class TC-20980 Corporate Technology
#> 8154 2017-03-23 2017-03-25 First Class RB-19360 Consumer Technology
#> Sub.Category Product.Name Sales Quantity
#> 4191 Copiers Canon imageCLASS 2200 Advanced Copier 10499.97 3
#> 6827 Copiers Canon imageCLASS 2200 Advanced Copier 17499.95 5
#> 8154 Copiers Canon imageCLASS 2200 Advanced Copier 13999.96 4
#> Profit
#> 4191 5039.986
#> 6827 8399.976
#> 8154 6719.981
```

We can specify more than one conditions using the respective “or” (“|”), “and” (“&”) logical operators:

```
retail[retail$Profit >= 4500 | retail$Profit <= -4500, ]
```

```
#> Order.Date Ship.Date Ship.Mode Customer.ID Segment Category
#> 4099 2014-09-23 2014-09-28 Standard Class SC-20095 Consumer Office Supplies
#> 4191 2017-11-17 2017-11-22 Standard Class HL-15040 Consumer Technology
#> 6827 2016-10-02 2016-10-09 Standard Class TC-20980 Corporate Technology
#> 7773 2016-11-25 2016-12-02 Standard Class CS-12505 Consumer Technology
#> 8154 2017-03-23 2017-03-25 First Class RB-19360 Consumer Technology
#> 9040 2016-12-17 2016-12-21 Standard Class AB-10105 Consumer Office Supplies
#> Sub.Category Product.Name Sales
#> 4099 Binders Ibico EPK-21 Electric Binding System 9449.950
#> 4191 Copiers Canon imageCLASS 2200 Advanced Copier 10499.970
#> 6827 Copiers Canon imageCLASS 2200 Advanced Copier 17499.950
#> 7773 Machines Cubify CubeX 3D Printer Double Head Print 4499.985
#> 8154 Copiers Canon imageCLASS 2200 Advanced Copier 13999.960
#> 9040 Binders GBC Ibimaster 500 Manual ProClick Binding System 9892.740
#> Quantity Profit
#> 4099 5 4630.475
#> 4191 3 5039.986
#> 6827 5 8399.976
#> 7773 5 -6599.978
#> 8154 4 6719.981
#> 9040 13 4946.370
```

```
# equivalent:
# subset(retail, Profit >= 4500 | Profit <= -4500)
```

Notice that in R, a test of equality is performed with == and not =. != on the other hand is used to indicate the opposite:

```
4 != 3
```

```
#> [1] TRUE
```

We can combine what we’ve learned above with conditional subsetting, but as extra exercise let’s see how we can use that in conjunction with `table()` to get a desired contingency table output:


```
retail.cons <- retail[retail$Segment == "Consumer", ]
table(retail.cons$Ship.Mode, retail.cons$Category)
```

```
#>
#>           Furniture Office Supplies Technology
#> First Class      164           456        149
#> Same Day         66           193         58
#> Second Class    236           603        181
#> Standard Class   647          1875        563
```

Graded Assignment: Which product segment makes up our high-value transactions?

This part of the assignment is graded for Academy students. Please fill up your answers in the provided answer sheet. Every correct answer is worth **(1) Point**.

Can you adapt the above code to produce a two-dimensional matrix (Segment against Category)? Use the matrix to answer the following questions:

Question 1: Which following segment makes up the most of our “>1000 Sales” transaction? Subset the data for `retail$Sales >= 1000` and then use `table()` with the “Segment” and “Category” variables as its parameters

Question 2: Among the transactions that ship on “First Class”, how many of them were office supplies (to two decimal points)?

We saw earlier that we could use `head()` to peek at the first 6 rows of data. An equivalent for the last 6 rows of data is - you guessed it! - `tail()`.

Cross-Tabulations and Aggregates

I'd like to show you how you can create a cross-tabulation table that allows us to obtain a basic picture of the interrelation between two variables. To get a contingency table displaying the frequency of each data point, we will pass in the corresponding formula to the `xtabs` functions

```
xtabs(~ Sub.Category + Category, retail)
```

```
#>           Category
#> Sub.Category Furniture Office Supplies Technology
#> Accessories      0           0           775
#> Appliances       0          466           0
#> Art              0          796           0
#> Binders          0         1523           0
#> Bookcases       228           0           0
#> Chairs          617           0           0
#> Copiers          0           0           68
#> Envelopes        0          254           0
#> Fasteners        0          217           0
#> Furnishings     957           0           0
#> Labels           0          364           0
#> Machines         0           0          115
#> Paper           0         1370           0
#> Phones           0           0          889
#> Storage          0          846           0
#> Supplies         0          190           0
#> Tables          319           0           0
```

Notice we passed in `Sub.Category` and `Category` to the right hand side of the formula, which is how we'd let the function know which variables to be used in the cross tabulations.

On the left hand side of the formula, we may optionally specify a vector. This allows us to examine the relationship between the explanatory variables (`Sub.Category` and `Category`) and a response variable, say in this case, `Sales`.

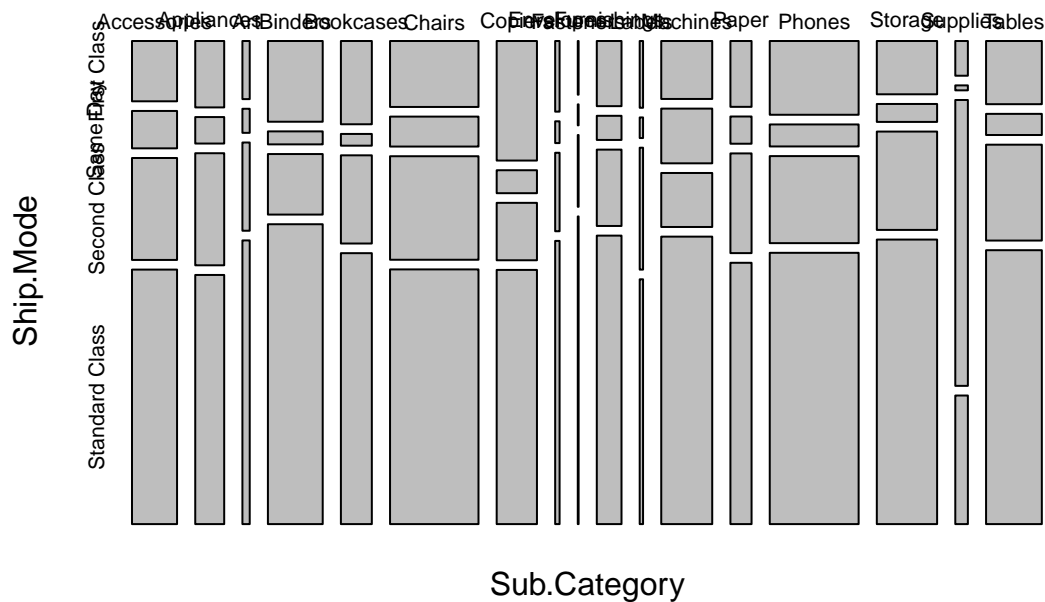
```
xtabs(Sales ~ Sub.Category + Category, retail)
```

```
#>           Category
#> Sub.Category  Furniture Office Supplies Technology
#> Accessories      0.00          0.00 167380.32
#> Appliances      0.00      107532.16      0.00
#> Art              0.00      27118.79      0.00
#> Binders          0.00      203412.73      0.00
#> Bookcases    114880.00          0.00      0.00
#> Chairs         328449.10          0.00      0.00
#> Copiers         0.00          0.00 149528.03
#> Envelopes       0.00      16476.40      0.00
#> Fasteners       0.00      3024.28      0.00
#> Furnishings    91705.16          0.00      0.00
#> Labels          0.00      12486.31      0.00
#> Machines        0.00          0.00 189238.63
#> Paper           0.00      78479.21      0.00
#> Phones          0.00          0.00 330007.05
#> Storage         0.00      223843.61      0.00
#> Supplies        0.00      46673.54      0.00
#> Tables         206965.53          0.00      0.00
```

We can wrap the above code in a `plot()` function, and R will plot the cross-tabulation for us. Just to change things up a little, I'm plotting the cross tabulation of sales as explained by `Sub.Category` and `Ship.Mode` instead. I've also added a main title for our plot using the `main` parameter:

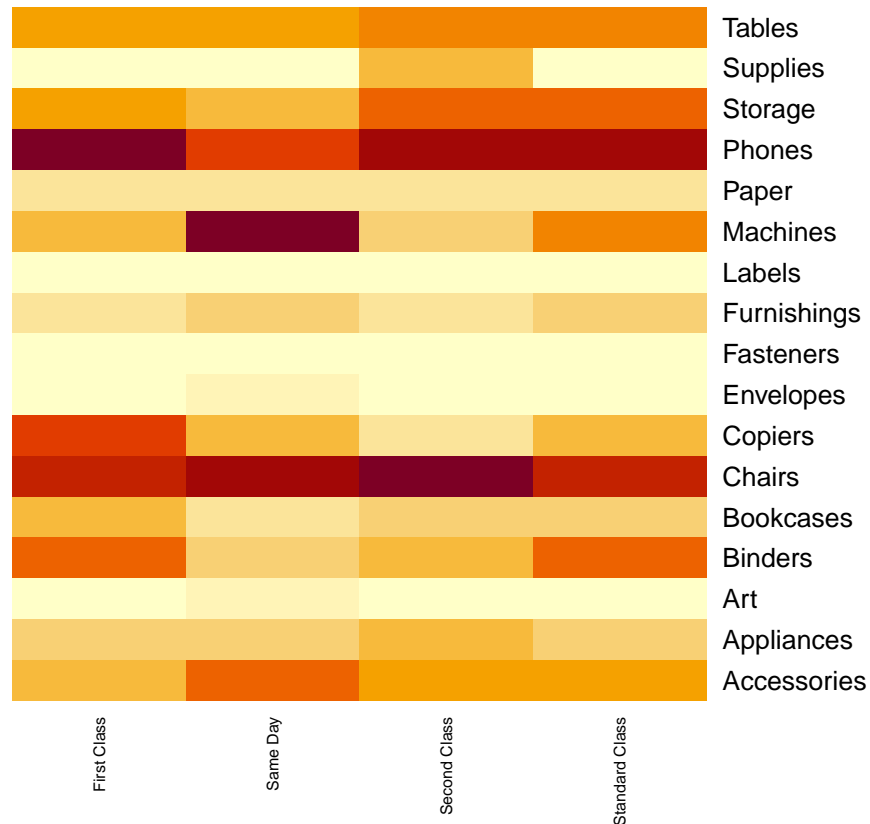
```
plot(xtabs(Sales ~ Sub.Category + Ship.Mode, retail), main="Cross Tabulation: Sales vs Sub-Category & Ship Mode")
```

Cross Tabulation: Sales vs Sub-Category & Shipping Method



Another way to visualize the cross-tabulation above is through the use of heatmap. In R a heatmap is created using the `heatmap` function, so all we need to do is to swap the `plot()` function above with `heatmap()`. I'd also set the heatmap to scale in the column direction - this makes the heatmap output more sensible:

```
heatmap(xtabs(Sales ~ Sub.Category + Ship.Mode, retail), Colv = NA, Rowv = NA, cexCol = 0.6, scale = "co
```



Just like how there's more than one way to create a visual representation of our cross-tabulation data, there are also more than one way to summarize data across multiple variables. We've learned about cross-tabulation using `xtabs` earlier but another equally common statistical tool is the aggregate function, using `aggregate`. The function call is almost the same as `xtabs` except it requires an additional parameter, which is the function we want to use for the aggregation:

```
aggregate(Sales ~ Category + Sub.Category, retail, sum)
```

```
#>      Category Sub.Category    Sales
#> 1   Technology Accessories 167380.32
#> 2 Office Supplies  Appliances 107532.16
#> 3 Office Supplies      Art   27118.79
#> 4 Office Supplies    Binders 203412.73
#> 5      Furniture Bookcases 114880.00
#> 6      Furniture   Chairs 328449.10
#> 7      Technology   Copiers 149528.03
#> 8 Office Supplies Envelopes 16476.40
#> 9 Office Supplies Fasteners  3024.28
#> 10      Furniture Furnishings 91705.16
#> 11 Office Supplies   Labels 12486.31
#> 12      Technology   Machines 189238.63
#> 13 Office Supplies    Paper  78479.21
#> 14      Technology    Phones 330007.05
#> 15 Office Supplies   Storage 223843.61
#> 16 Office Supplies   Supplies 46673.54
#> 17      Furniture    Tables 206965.53
```

Compare that to the first few rows of results we obtained from `xtabs()`:

```
head(xtabs(Sales ~ Sub.Category + Category, retail))
```

```
#>           Category
#> Sub.Category Furniture Office Supplies Technology
#> Accessories      0.00           0.00 167380.32
#> Appliances      0.00      107532.16      0.00
#> Art              0.00      27118.79      0.00
#> Binders          0.00      203412.73      0.00
#> Bookcases    114880.00           0.00      0.00
#> Chairs        328449.10           0.00      0.00
```

Dive Deeper: Analyzing profitability by Category and Shipment Mode

Supposed you were assigned by the company to identify the type of transactions that result in the highest profit on average as well as the ones that result in the biggest losses (or lowest profit) per transaction, how would you go about it?

Use the `aggregate()` function with `Sub.Category` and `Ship.Mode`, but replace the `sum` with `mean` so the function finds the “average” profit instead of total profit from each group instead. If you did this correctly, you should observe that Copiers are great profit makers, and that customers that ship Copiers on First Class bags an average profit in excess of \$1,200 per transaction. Sweet!

- What are the top 6 groups measured by average profit? Use the `mean` for this.
- What the bottom (worst) 6 groups measured by average profit? Use the `mean` for this.
- Use the answer provided at the end of this course book as reference.

Supposed we have no concern about the average transaction nor the shipment mode, we could change the formula in our `aggregate` function to take a much simpler form. The following code sums profit across each sub-category:

```
aggregate(Profit ~ Sub.Category, retail, sum)
```

```
#>   Sub.Category      Profit
#> 1 Accessories  41936.6357
#> 2 Appliances  18138.0054
#> 3 Art         6527.7870
#> 4 Binders     30221.7633
#> 5 Bookcases  -3472.5560
#> 6 Chairs     26590.1663
#> 7 Copiers     55617.8249
#> 8 Envelopes   6964.1767
#> 9 Fasteners   949.5182
#> 10 Furnishings 13059.1436
#> 11 Labels     5546.2540
#> 12 Machines   3384.7569
#> 13 Paper     34053.5693
#> 14 Phones     44515.7306
#> 15 Storage    21278.8264
#> 16 Supplies  -1189.0995
#> 17 Tables    -17725.4811
```

And we can confirm the above by summing across the row values in our `xtabs` as well, using a handy function called `rowSums`:

```
as.data.frame(rowSums(xtabs(Profit ~ Sub.Category + Ship.Mode, retail)))
```

```
#>           rowSums(xtabs(Profit ~ Sub.Category + Ship.Mode, retail))
#> Accessories                41936.6357
#> Appliances                 18138.0054
#> Art                        6527.7870
#> Binders                   30221.7633
#> Bookcases                 -3472.5560
#> Chairs                    26590.1663
#> Copiers                   55617.8249
#> Envelopes                  6964.1767
#> Fasteners                  949.5182
#> Furnishings              13059.1436
#> Labels                     5546.2540
#> Machines                   3384.7569
#> Paper                     34053.5693
#> Phones                    44515.7306
#> Storage                   21278.8264
#> Supplies                  -1189.0995
#> Tables                    -17725.4811
```

R Scripts and Reproducible Research

If you are new to writing code but you've scored at least 2 of the 3 quizzes in this coursebook - congratulations! We'll now finish strongly by attempting one of the two learn-by-building modules. As this is a graded task for our Academy students, completion of the task is not optional and count towards your final score. You can choose to complete either of the following task:

R Script to clean & transform the data

Write a R script containing a function (name the function however way you want) that reads `retail.csv` as input, perform the necessary transformation and export a cross-tabulation numeric result OR plot as output. This is the base requirement but more advanced students are free to customize their script to add any extra functionalities.

```
# Sourcing the script and running the function should print a cross-tabulation result or plot
source("lbb1.R")
crstab()
```

For graders: Student scores a maximum 2 out of (2) possible points. Check that the R script executes and return a cross tabulation plot (`plot(xtabs())`) with no errors, warnings or missing variables / values.

Reproducible Data Science

Create an R Markdown file that combines your step-by-step data transformation code with some explanatory text. Add formatting styles and hierarchical structure using Markdown.

For graders: Student scores a maximum 2 out of (2) possible points. Check that the RMD file compiles to HTML with at least **two** headings, **two** explanatory paragraph, and the final output is a business recommendation written in English or Bahasa Indonesia on profitable categories.

Writing your code as R scripts make all of these metrics possible for further automation and integration with other tools and services, while writing a R Markdown presents your findings and recommendations in a way that is friendly to non-technical / managerial team members.

Tips on writing R Scripts and functions

As an example, here's how you can write a function, named "weeklyreport":

```
library(skimr)
library(dplyr)
weeklyreport <- function(){
  retail <- read.csv("data_input/retail.csv") %>%
  group_by(Segment) %>%
  skim(Category, Profit)
}
```

And now you can call the function you created:

```
weeklyreport()
```

Annotations