

Week_6_HW

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1. What purpose to Makefile serve?

Data clean up, data gathering, or files merging

2. What is the function to download a URL?

import() or read.table if easily accessible

3. What is a .zip file?

Compressed files

4. What is the process to download and decompress a .zip file? Give an example in a R code chunk.

a. Specify the URL of the .zip file and the destination folder

b. Create a temporary file called 'temp'

c. Download the compressed file into the temporary file

d. Decompress the file and convert it into a data frame

e. Delete the temporary file

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#specify the URL
URL <- paste0("http://www.unified-democracy-scores.org/", "files/20140312/z/uds_summary.csv")
#create temporary file
temp <- tempfile()
download.file(URL, temp)
##Decompress the file
uds_data <- read.csv(gzfile(temp, "uds_summary.csv"))
##Delete the temp
unlink(temp)
```

5. What are APIs?

Application Programming Interfaces

6. Use WDI package to download a new dataset other than AG.CON.FERT.ZS

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      indicator
1070    AG.CON.FERT.MT
1071 AG.CON.FERT.PT.ZS
1072    AG.CON.FERT.ZS

                                     name
1070                                Fertilizer consumption (metric tons)
1071          Fertilizer consumption (% of fertilizer production)
1072 Fertilizer consumption (kilograms per hectare of arable land)

      country iso2c iso3c year AG.CON.FERT.PT.ZS
1 Africa Eastern and Southern    ZH   AFE 2022         NA
2 Africa Eastern and Southern    ZH   AFE 2021      929.4799
3 Africa Eastern and Southern    ZH   AFE 2020      944.1741
4 Africa Eastern and Southern    ZH   AFE 2019      860.9742
5 Africa Eastern and Southern    ZH   AFE 2018      714.9938
6 Africa Eastern and Southern    ZH   AFE 2017      752.7104
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7. Indicate 3 new things you learned from this week.

- a. I learned to extract data from public website
- b. I learned API and related package—WDI
- c. I learned to download zip files with URLs