Assignment 2: Coding Basics

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OVERVIEW

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

Directions

- 1. Rename this file <FirstLast>_A02_CodingBasics.Rmd (replacing <FirstLast> with your first and last name).
- 2. Change "Student Name" on line 3 (above) with your name.
- 3. Work through the steps, **creating code and output** that fulfill each instruction.
- 4. Be sure to **answer the questions** in this assignment document.
- 5. When you have completed the assignment, **Knit** the text and code into a single PDF file.
- 6. After Knitting, submit the completed exercise (PDF file) to Sakai.

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.
hundred_sequence <- seq(1, 100, 4) #Naming and creating a sequence from 1 to 100, increasing by 4.
#2.
mean(hundred_sequence) #Finding the mean of this sequence.
## [1] 49
median(hundred_sequence) #Finding the median of this sequence.
## [1] 49
#3.</pre>
```

mean(hundred_sequence) > median(hundred_sequence) #Determine is the mean greater than the median.

[1] FALSE

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.

```
Names <- c("Liam", "Olivia", "Grace", "Noah", "Oliver", "Emma", "Lucy", "Drew") #character vector
Test_Scores <- c(60, 53, 96, 20, 64, 73, 45, 81) #numeric vector
Passed <- c(TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, TRUE) #logical vector
d <- c("Liam", "Olivia", "Grace", "Noah", "Oliver", "Emma", "Lucy", "Drew")
e <- c(60, 53, 96, 20, 64, 73, 45, 81)
f <- c(TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, TRUE)
Student_Exam <- data.frame(d,e,f)</pre>
names(Student_Exam) <- c("Names", "Test_Scores", "Passed"); Student_Exam</pre>
##
      Names Test_Scores Passed
## 1
      Liam
                      60
                           TRUE
## 2 Olivia
                           TRUE
                      53
## 3 Grace
                      96
                           TRUE
## 4
      Noah
                      20 FALSE
## 5 Oliver
                      64
                           TRUE
## 6
       Emma
                      73
                           TRUE
## 7
                      45 FALSE
       Lucy
## 8
       Drew
                      81
                           TRUE
```

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

Answer: Data frame is more general than a matrix. Its columns contain different types of data (numeric, character, factor, etc.). But in a matrix, all the elements are the same type of data.

10. Create a function with an if/else statement. Your function should take a **vector** of test scores and print (not return) whether a given 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.

```
passed <- function(Test_Scores){
  if (Test_Scores < 50) {print(FALSE)}
  else {print(TRUE)}
}</pre>
```

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11. Apply your function to the vector with test scores that you created in number 5.

Exam <- passed(60)

## [1] TRUE

Exam <- passed(53)

## [1] TRUE

Exam <- passed(96)

## [1] TRUE

Exam <- passed(20)

## [1] FALSE

Exam <- passed(64)

## [1] TRUE

Exam <- passed(73)

## [1] TRUE
```

Exam <- passed(45)

[1] FALSE

Exam <- passed(81)

[1] TRUE

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

Answer: The 'if' and 'else' worked. Because the value can't print if using 'ifelse'.