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Week 1 (Lecture 1)

Lecture 1 – Intro to R + Intermediate R

Introduction to R: Variables, Vectors, Matrices, Factors, Data Frames and Lists.

**Variables:** the most basic element, it is one single value.

- **Different data types:**
    - o **Numeric:** values are numbers or decimals
    - o **Integer:** values are number but NOT decimals
    - o **Character:** text strings
    - o **Factor:** special variable which is a string, but can be only a limited number of strings (e.g., Low, Medium, High). Usually used for categorical data.
    - o **Logical:** only two values TRUE or FALSE

**Note from MADS Madlad:** This is a great source to see these data types with examples and further explanations - <https://statsandr.com/blog/data-types-in-r/>

**Vectors:** one-dimensional array that can hold multiple data of the same data type (e.g., only strings or numeric).

```
script.R
1 # Poker and roulette winnings from Monday to Friday:
2 poker_vector <- c(140, -50, 20, -120, 240)
3 roulette_vector <- c(-24, -50, 100, -350, 10)
4 days_vector <- c("Monday", "Tuesday", "Wednesday", "Thursday", "Friday")
```

**Matrices:** two-dimensional collection with a fixed number of rows and columns of elements of the same data type.

**Factors:** specific types of variables that is categorical in nature.

- Values are like labels (e.g. Rural, Urban...)
- Only a limited number of categories

```
# Temperature
temperature_vector <- c("High", "Low", "High", "Low", "Medium")
factor_temperature_vector <- factor(temperature_vector, order = TRUE, levels = c
("Low", "Medium", "High"))
factor_temperature_vector
```

**Data Frames (DF):** multi-dimensional array with different data types.

When inspecting a df there are some handy basic functions:

- head() – prints the header and first few rows of your data frame
- tail() – prints the header and last few rows of the data frame
- str() – tells you about the structure of your df, namely:
  - o total number of observations
  - o total number of variables
  - o full list of the variable names
  - o data type of each variable
  - o the first observation/row

```
script.R
3   |   |   |   |   "Mars", "Jupiter", "Saturn",
4   |   |   |   |   "Uranus", "Neptune")
5   type <- c("Terrestrial planet",
6   |   |   |   |   "Terrestrial planet",
7   |   |   |   |   "Terrestrial planet",
8   |   |   |   |   "Terrestrial planet", "Gas giant",
9   |   |   |   |   "Gas giant", "Gas giant", "Gas giant")
10  diameter <- c(0.382, 0.949, 1, 0.532,
11  |   |   |   |   11.209, 9.449, 4.007, 3.883)
12  rotation <- c(58.64, -243.02, 1, 1.03,
13  |   |   |   |   0.41, 0.43, -0.72, 0.67)
14  rings <- c(FALSE, FALSE, FALSE, FALSE, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE)
15
16  # Create a data frame from the vectors
17  planets_df <- data.frame(name, type, diameter, rotation, rings)
```

**Lists:** a list of items with different length, type, characteristics.

You can put: vectors, matrices and even data frames in a list!

```
script.R
1 # Vector with numerics from 1 up to 10
2 my_vector <- 1:10
3
4 # Matrix with numerics from 1 up to 9
5 my_matrix <- matrix(1:9, ncol = 3)
6
7 # First 10 elements of the built-in data frame mtcars
8 my_df <- mtcars[1:10,]
9
10 # Adapt list() call to give the components names
11 my_list <- list(my_vector, my_matrix, my_df)
12 names(my_list) <- c("vec", "mat", "df")
```

**Intermediate R: Conditionals, Control flow, Loops, Functions, Apply family, Utilities.**

### ***Conditionals and Control Flow***

- *Relational operators:* comparing R objects
  - Equality ==
  - Greater/Less Than > / <
  - Not Equal !=

```
script.R
1 # Comparison of logicals
2 TRUE == FALSE
3
4 # Comparison of numerics
5 -6*14 != 17 - 101
6
7 # Comparison of character strings
8 "useR" == "user"
9
10 # Compare a logical with a numeric
11 TRUE == 1
```

- *Logical operators:*

- o AND &
- o OR |

```
script.R
```

```
1 # The linkedin and last variable are already defined for you
2 linkedin <- c(16, 9, 13, 5, 2, 17, 14)
3 last <- tail(linkedin, 1)
4
5 # Is last under 5 or above 10?
6 last < 5 | last > 10
7
8 # Is last between 15 (exclusive) and 20 (inclusive)?
9 last > 15 & last <= 20
```

- *Conditional Statements:*

- o if
- o else if
- o else

```
script.R
```

```
1 # Variables related to your last day of recordings
2 li <- 15
3 fb <- 9
4
5 # Code the control-flow construct
6 if (li >= 15 & fb >= 15) {
7   sms <- 2 * (li + fb)
8 } else if (li < 10 & fb < 10) {
9   sms <- 0.5 * (li + fb)
10 } else {
11   sms <- li + fb
12 }
13
14 # Print the resulting sms to the console
15 print(sms)
```

## Loops

- *While loops*: look like repeated if statements

```
script.R
1 # Initialize the speed variable
2 speed <- 64
3
4 # Extend/adapt the while loop
5 while (speed > 30) {
6   print(paste("Your speed is", speed))
7   if (speed > 48) {
8     print("Slow down big time!")
9     speed <- speed - 11
10 } else {
11   print("Slow down!")
12   speed <- speed - 6
13 }
14 }
```

R Console	Slides
[1] "Your speed is 64"	
[1] "Slow down big time!"	
[1] "Your speed is 53"	
[1] "Slow down big time!"	
[1] "Your speed is 42"	
[1] "Slow down!"	
[1] "Your speed is 36"	
[1] "Slow down!"	

- *For loops*: iterate over all elements in a sequence.

- o **Two ways**: normal and indexed:

```
script.R
1 # The linkedin vector has already been defined for you
2 linkedin <- c(16, 9, 13, 5, 2, 17, 14)
3
4 # Loop version 1
5 for (p in linkedin) {
6   print(p)
7 }
8
9
10
11 # Loop version 2
12 for (i in 1:length(linkedin)) [
13   print(linkedin[i])
14 ]
```

**Functions:** a defined operation that does something with the input you give it.

R offers both in-built functions and the ability to define our own functions.

- Pre-defined functions example: **mean()**

```
script.R
1 # The linkedin and facebook vectors have already been created for you
2 linkedin <- c(16, 9, 13, 5, 2, 17, 14)
3 facebook <- c(17, 7, 5, 16, 8, 13, 14)
4
5 # Calculate the mean of the sum
6 avg_sum <- mean(linkedin + facebook)
7
8 # Calculate the trimmed mean of the sum
9 avg_sum_trimmed <- mean(linkedin + facebook, trim = 0.2)
10
11 # Inspect both new variables
12 print(avg_sum)
13 print(avg_sum_trimmed)
```

- Self-made function examples:

```
script.R
3 # Define the interpret function
4 interpret <- function(num_views) {
5   if (num_views > 15) {
6     print(paste("You're popular!"))
7     return(num_views)
8   } else {
9     print(paste("Try to be more visible!"))
10    return(0)
11  }
12}
13}
```

```
10 # Create a function sum_abs()
11 sum_abs <- function(a,b){
12   abs(a)+abs(b)
13 }
```

## Apply family:

- *Lapply*: apply a function to a specified set of data, and return a list.

```
script.R
1 # The vector pioneers has already been created for you
2 pioneers <- c("GAUSS:1777", "BAYES:1702", "PASCAL:1623", "PEARSON:1857")
3
4 # Split names from birth year
5 split_math <- strsplit(pioneers, split = ":")
6
7 # Convert to lowercase strings: split_low
8 split_low <- lapply(split_math, tolower)
9
10 # Take a look at the structure of split_low
11 str(split_low)
```

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R Console Slides

```
str(split_low)

List of 4
$ : chr [1:2] "gauss" "1777"
$ : chr [1:2] "bayes" "1702"
$ : chr [1:2] "pascal" "1623"
$ : chr [1:2] "pearson" "1857"
```

- *Sapply*: apply a function to a specified set of data, and return a vector.

```
12 # Use sapply() to find each day's maximum temperature
13 sapply(temp, max)
```

R Console Slides

[1] 9

```
# Use sapply() to find each day's maximum temperature
```

```
sapply(temp, max)
```

[1] 9 13 8 7 9 9 9

- *Vapply*: more robust version of Sapply, where you have more control over the output.

script.R

```

1 # temp is already available in the workspace
2
3 # Definition of basics()
4 basics <- function(x) {
5   c(min = min(x), mean = mean(x), max = max(x))
6 }
7
8 # Apply basics() over temp using vapply()
9 vapply(temp, basics, numeric(3))

```

R Console

Slides

```
# Apply basics() over temp using vapply()

vapply(temp, basics, numeric(3))
```

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]	[,4]	[,5]	[,6]	[,7]
min	-1.0	5	-3.0	-2.0	2.0	-3.0	1.0
mean	4.8	9	2.2	2.4	5.4	4.6	4.6
max	9.0	13	8.0	7.0	9.0	9.0	9.0

## Utilities

R contains a large number of useful utilities and functions to do basic work on your data. You can also add external libraries with specialized utilities.

- Mathematical utilities:

- `abs()` : Calculate the absolute value.
- `sum()` : Calculate the sum of all the values in a data structure.
- `mean()` : Calculate the arithmetic mean.
- `round()` : Round the values to 0 decimal places by default. Try out `?round` in the console for variations of `round()` and ways to change the number of digits to round to.

- *Data utilities:*

- `seq()` : Generate sequences, by specifying the `from`, `to`, and `by` arguments.
  - `rep()` : Replicate elements of vectors and lists.
  - `sort()` : Sort a vector in ascending order. Works on numerics, but also on character strings and logicals.
  - `rev()` : Reverse the elements in a data structures for which reversal is defined.
  - `str()` : Display the structure of any R object.
  - `append()` : Merge vectors or lists.
  - `is.*()` : Check for the class of an R object.
  - `as.*()` : Convert an R object from one class to another.
  - `unlist()` : Flatten (possibly embedded) lists to produce a vector.
- **Grepl and grep:** R's Regex - check whether a regular expression could be matched with a character vector.

The screenshot shows the RStudio interface. At the top, there are tabs for "script.R" and "solution.R". On the far right, there is a "Light Mode" button. Below the tabs, the "solution.R" code is displayed:

```

script.R      solution.R
1 # The emails vector has already been defined for you
2 emails <- c("john.doe@ivyleague.edu", "education@world.gov", "dalai.lama@peace.org",
3           "invalid.edu", "quant@bigdatacollege.edu", "cookie.monster@sesame.tv")
4
5 # Use grepl() to match for .edu addresses more robustly
6 grep("@.*\\.edu$", emails)
7
8 # Use grep() to match for .edu addresses more robustly, save result to hits
9 hits <- grep("@.*\\.edu$", emails)
10
11 # Subset emails using hits
12 emails[hits]

```

At the bottom, there are three buttons: "Run Code", "Run Solution", and a refresh icon. Below these buttons is the "R Console" tab, which is active. The console output shows the results of running the code:

```

R Console      Slides
hits <- grep("@.*\\.edu$", emails)

# Subset emails using hits

emails[hits]

[1] "john.doe@ivyleague.edu"    "quant@bigdatacollege.edu"

```

- **Sub and gsub:** takes it one step further from grep/grepl, by both matching and then replacing the match with what you assigned.

The screenshot shows a DataCamp workspace interface. At the top, there's a dark header bar with the title "script.R" and a "Light Mode" button. Below the header is a code editor window containing the following R code:

```

1 # The emails vector has already been defined for you
2 emails <- c("john.doe@ivyleague.edu", "education@world.gov", "global@peace.org",
3           "invalid.edu", "quant@bigdatacollege.edu", "cookie.monster@sesame.tv")
4
5 # Use sub() to convert the email domains to datacamp.edu
6 sub("@.*\\.edu$", "@datacamp.edu", emails)

```

At the bottom of the code editor are three buttons: a circular "Run Code" button, a green "Submit Answer" button, and a small circular icon with a play symbol.

Below the code editor is a dark "R Console" window. It shows the command `sub("@.\*\\.edu\$", "@datacamp.edu", emails)` followed by its output:

```

# Use sub() to convert the email domains to datacamp.edu

sub("@.*\\.edu$", "@datacamp.edu", emails)

[1] "john.doe@datacamp.edu"      "education@world.gov"
[3] "global@peace.org"          "invalid.edu"
[5] "quant@datacamp.edu"        "cookie.monster@sesame.tv"

```

- *Importing Data in R /w Readr package*

- **Read\_csv**
- **Read\_tsv**
- **Read\_delim**

**Note from MADS Madlad:** When you have done the Datacamp courses *Intro to R* and *Intermediate R* yourself, you will get a better feel for all of this than just by reading it. It's also way more fun!

Good luck and congrats on finishing your first week of the MADS program.