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Selected R Commands

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ELEMENTARY

Commands

List Objects in Workspace	<code>ls()</code> , or <code>objects()</code>
Delete object	<code>rm()</code>
Search Path	<code>search()</code>

Variable Names

Combinations of letters, digits and period. Don't start with number or period.

Assignments

Assign value to variable	<code><-</code> or <code>=</code>
Assignment "to the right"	<code>-></code>
Global assignment (in functions)	<code><<-</code>

OPERATORS

For Assignment

Addition	<code>+</code>
Subtraction, sign	<code>-</code>
Multiplication	<code>*</code>
Division	<code>/</code>
Raise to a power	<code>^</code>
Integer Division (Quotient)	<code>%/%</code>
Remainder From Integer Division	<code>%%</code>

Logical, Relational

Equal to	<code>==</code>
Not Equal to	<code>!=</code>
Less than	<code><</code>
Greater than	<code>></code>
Less than or Equal to	<code><=</code>
Greater than or Equal to	<code>>=</code>
Missing x?	<code>is.na(x)</code>
Logical AND (Element)	<code>&</code>
Logical AND Operator	<code>&&</code>
Logical OR (Element)	<code> </code>
Logical OR Operator	<code> </code>
Logical Not	<code>!</code>

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VECTORS, DATA TYPES

Generating

Create vector of 25 zeroes	<code>numeric(25)</code>
Create vector of 25 blanks	<code>character(25)</code>
Create vector of 25 Falses	<code>logical(25)</code>
Create vector of values -4.0, -3.9, -3.8, -3.7, -3.6	<code>seq(start#,end#,Increment)</code> <code>seq(-4.0,-3.6,0.1)</code>
Create vector of 1 st 10 integers	<code>1:10 or seq(1,10,1)</code>
Concatenation vector 5 7 9 13 1 2 3 4 5	<code>c(comma separated list)</code> <code>c(5,7,9,13,1:5)</code>
Repetition vector 1 1 1 1 1	<code>rep(value, number of repetitions)</code> <code>rep(1,5)</code>
Factor with 3 levels, repeat each level in blocks of 2 up to length 12 1 1 2 2 3 3 1 1 2 2 3 3	<code>gl(#levels, #block reps, length)</code> <code>gl(3,2,12)</code>

Coercion

Convert to Numeric	<code>as.numeric(x)</code>
Convert to Character	<code>as.character(x)</code>
Convert to Logical	<code>as.logical(x)</code>
Create factor from vector x	<code>factor(x)</code>

DATA FRAMES

Data Frame with 2 named vectors	<code>data.frame(height = c(165,185), weight = c(90, 65))</code>
Collect vectors into Data Frame	<code>data.frame(height, weight) # both predefined</code>
Select variable var in data frame dfr	<code>dfr\$var</code>
Put data frame in search path	<code>attach(dfr) # a copy of dfr</code>
Remove data frame from path	<code>detach()</code>

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NUMERICAL FUNCTIONS

Mathematical

Logarithm of x natural (base e) logarithm	log(x)
Base-10 Logarithm	log10(x)
Exponential Function e^x	exp(x)
Sine Function	sin(x)
Cosine Function	cos(x)
Tangent Function	tan(x)
Arc-sine Function	asin(x)
Arc-cosine Function	acos(x)
Arc-tangent Function	atan(x)
Atan2 Function	atan2(y, x) # = atan(y/x), when x, y > 0
Combinations of n objs taken k at a time	choose(n, k)
10	choose(5, 2)
Factorial	factorial(x)
Absolute value	abs(x)
Truncated integer	floor(x)
Rounded up integer	ceiling(x)
(Positive) Square Root	sqrt(x) or x^(0.5)
Minimum value in vector	min(x)
Minimum value over several vectors	min(x1, x2, x3, ...)
Maximum value in vector	max(x)
Maximum value over several vectors	max(x1, x2, x3, ...)
Range of x	range(x) # = c(min(x), max(x))
1 9	range(1:9)
8	diff(range(1:9))
Number of elements in a vector	length(x)
Parallel (elementwise) minimum over multiple equally long vectors	pmin(x1, x2, x3, ...)
Parallel (elementwise) maximum over multiple equally long vectors	pmax(x1, x2, x3, ...)
Number of non-missing elements in a vector	sum(complete.cases(x))

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NUMERICAL FUNCTIONS (Continued)

Statistical

Arithmetic Mean of x	<code>mean(x)</code>
Weighted Arithmetic Mean of x via w 5.4	<code>weighted.mean(x, w)</code> <code>weighted.mean(1:9, c(rep(.1, 8), .2))</code>
Trimmed mean, drop top, bottom 0 - 50%	
Drop top, bottom 5% data values	<code>mean(x, trim=.05)</code>
Standard Deviation	<code>sd(x)</code>
Variance	<code>var(x)</code>
Median	<code>median(x) # = quantile(x, .5)</code>
Quantile	<code>quantile(x, p)</code>
Interquartile Range	<code>IQR(x)</code>
Summary: Min, 25%, 50%, 75%, Max	
Mode	<code>fivenum(x)</code> <code>statmod <- function(x) {</code> <code>z <- table(as.vector(x))</code> <code>names(z)[z == max(z)]}</code> <code>statmod(c(1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 3, 7))</code> <code>cor(x, y)</code>
"3" "7"	
Correlation	

INDEXING/SELECTION

nth element	<code>x[n]</code>
Subvector containing 1 st five elements	<code>x[1:5]</code>
Element numbers: n1, n2, n3, n4, n5	<code>x[c(n1, n2, n3, n4, n5)]</code>
Selection by logical expression	<code>x[y <= n1]</code>
Selection by factor variable	<code>x\$sex == "male"</code>
Selection by numeric variable	<code>i <- c(2,3,5,7,11); x[i]</code>
Selection by logical variable	<code>l <- (y <= n1); x[l]</code>

Matrices And Data Ranges

Fourth row	<code>m[4,]</code>
Third Column	<code>m[, 3]</code>
Partial Data Frame	<code>dfr[dfr\$var<=n1,]</code> <code>subset(dfr, var<=n1)</code>

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DATA INPUT

Built-in data set	<code>data(name)</code>
Read from external file	<code>read.table("filename")</code>
Copy from window and paste into R	<code>read.table("clipboard", header=T)</code>
Read data from file or url or STDIN	<code>scan(file="") or scan()</code>
Arguments to read.table:	
First line has variable names	<code>read.table("filename", header=TRUE)</code>
Comma separated data	<code>read.table("filename", sep=",")</code>
Tab delimited data	<code>read.csv("filename")</code>
Tab delimited data, "," is decimal point	<code>read.delim("filename")</code>
Decimal point is "," in data	<code>read.delim2("filename")</code>
Semicolon separated data, decimal point is ","	<code>read.table("filename", dec=",")</code>
Missing value is dot (".") in data	<code>read.csv2("filename")</code> <code>read.table("filename", na.strings=".")</code>

STATISTICAL DISTRIBUTIONS

Normal Distribution

Normal Density function	<code>dnorm(x)</code>
Cumulative Distribution function	
$P\{X \leq x\}$	<code>pnorm(x)</code>
p-quantile x: $P\{X \leq x\} = p$	<code>qnorm(x)</code>
n (pseudo) random normally distributed numbers	<code>rnorm(x)</code>
Normal Distribution	<code>pnorm(x, mean, sd)</code>

Distributions* (also d, q, r prefixes)

Student's t distribution	<code>pt(x, df)</code>
F distribution	<code>pf(x, n1, n2)</code>
Chi-squared distribution	<code>pchisq(x, df)</code>
Binomial distribution	<code>pbinom(x, n, p)</code>
Poisson distribution	<code>ppois(x, lambda)</code>
Uniform distribution	<code>runif(x, min, max)</code>
Exponential distribution	<code>pexp(x, rate)</code>
Hypergeometric distribution	<code>phyper(x, m, n, k)</code>

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STATISTICAL STANDARD METHODS

Continuous Response	
1 and 2 sample t tests	t.test
Pairwise comparisons	pairwise.t.test
Correlation	cor.test
Comparison of 2 variances (F test)	var.test
Regression Analysis (linear model)	lm(y ~ x)
One way Analysis of Variance	lm(y ~ f)
Two way Analysis of Variance	lm(y ~ f1 + f2)
Analysis of Covariance	lm(y ~ f + x)
Multiple Regression Analysis (linear)	lm(y ~ x1 + x2 + x3)
Bartlett test (k variances)	bartlett.test
Nonparametric	
1 and 2 sample Wilcoxon tests	wilcox.test
Kruskal-Wallis Test	kruskal.test
Friedman's 2 way Analysis of Variance	friedman.test
Kendall's Tau (τ) Test	cor.test (method = "kendall")
Spearman's Rho (ρ) Test	cor.test (method = "spearman")
Discrete Response	
Binomial Test (Including Sign test)	binom.test
Comparison of Proportions Test	prop.test
Confidence Intervals of Proportions	prop.test(x, n, conf.level=.95, conf.int=TRUE)
Trend test in Relative Proportions	prop.trend.test
Fisher Exact Test in Small Tables	fisher.test
Chi Squared test	chisq.test
Logistic Regression	glm(y ~ x1 + x2 + x3, binomial)

MODELS

Model Formulas

Described By	~
Additive Effects	+
Interaction	:
Main Effects + Interaction	* (a*b = a + b + a:b)
Remove Intercept	-1

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	Linear, Non-linear, Generalized Linear
Fit model and save result	<code>lm.out <- lm(y ~ x)</code>
Coefficients, etc.	<code>summary(lm.out)</code>
Analysis of Variance table	<code>anova(lm.out)</code>
Fitted Values	<code>fitted(lm.out)</code>
Residuals	<code>resid(lm.out)</code>
Deviance (Residual Sum of Squares)	<code>deviance(lm.out)</code>
Predictions for new data frame	<code>predict(lm.out, newdata)</code>
Logistic regression	<code>glm(y ~ x, binomial)</code>
Poisson regression	<code>glm(y ~ x, poisson)</code>
Non-linear regression	<code>nls(y ~ exp(-b*x), start=c(a=5, b=.2))</code>
	Diagnostics
Studentized residuals	<code>rstudent(lm.out)</code>
Change in β if obs. removed	<code>dfbetas(lm.out)</code>
Change in fit if obs. removed	<code>dffits(lm.out)</code>

GRAPHICS

	Standard Plots
Scatterplot (and more)	<code>plot()</code>
Histogram	<code>hist()</code>
Box and whiskers plot	<code>boxplot()</code>
Strip Chart	<code>stripchart()</code>
Bar Chart	<code>barplot()</code>
Dot Diagram	<code>dotchart()</code>
Pie Chart (Cakes, ...)	<code>pie()</code>
Interaction Plot	<code>interaction.plot()</code>

	Plotting Elements
Lines	<code>lines()</code>
Line (slope-intercept form)	<code>abline()</code>
Points	<code>points()</code>
Line Segments	<code>segments()</code>
Arrows (Note: angle=90 for error bars)	<code>arrows()</code>
Axis	<code>axis()</code>
Frame around Plot	<code>box()</code>
Title above Plot	<code>title()</code>
Text in Plot	<code>text()</code>
Text in Margin	<code>mtext()</code>
List of Symbols	<code>legend()</code>

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GRAPHICS (Continued)

Graphical Parameters

Plotting Character (Symbol)	pch
Multiframe (Several plots on one)	mfrow, mfcoll
Plot limits	xlim, ylim
Line type/width	lty, lwd
Color	col
Character size, line spacing in margins	cex, mex

PROGRAMMING

Conditional Execution [with alternative]	if (p<0.5) print("small fraction") [else print("larger fraction")]
Loop over a list	for (i in 1:10) print (i)
Loop	i <- 1 while (i < 10) { print(i) i <- i + 1 }
User defined function (Definition)	f <- function(a, b, doit=TRUE) { if (doit) a + b else 0
Use after defining	f(2, 4, doit = FALSE) or f(2, 4, doit=TRUE)