Libraries for Reading Data, tibbles, and the tidyverse

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Reading In Data

In 5210, we learned some standard library functions for reading in data, including read.csv and read.table. We also have a number of libraries/data formats supported by R Studio:

- *tibble*. A re-imagining of the data frame, that keeps "what time has proven to be effective". see https://r4ds.had.co.nz/tibbles.html
- *readr.* Powerful library for reading and writing raw data files, csv, tsv, fixed width, delimited, and other table specifications. Rather than creating standard data frames, it creates *tibbles*. See https://r4ds.had.co.nz/data-import.html
- *haven*. Includes files to read in Stata, SPSS, and SAS files, and do some data cleaning like transforming missing/empty values to NA.
- readxl. Libraries for reading in blocks of data from excel files.
- *curl.* Load web pages, including web-hosted data files.
- *zip/unzip*. Functions in the core utils package that read and write zip files. On windows, "Relies on a zip program (for example that from Rtools) being in the path".
- gdata. A data manipulation library. Includes time/date handling, xls file handling, and a number of data reorganization/filtering functions, that are probably replaced by dplyr and reshape and similar tidyverse libraries. I discuss some of these in the optional section below.
- webreadr. Built on readr, it reads in various computer log files like access logs for web servers.
- *prepdat.* A special-purpose data reading library focused on problems in psychology, where you process response times and accuracies, and have multiple participants with data saved in separate files. This will read in and merge multiple files, and also has response time outlier removal procedures.

The material below covers the gdata package, which is fairly well replaced by haven/readxls and the like; along with prepdat; a special-purpose library that combines many different data files.

Using readr and tibbles

If you use the readr data libraries instead of the base R data reading libraries, it creates a new type of data structure called a 'tibble'. A tibble is a data frame that generally works a bit better. Some of the advantages of a tibble are that it (usually) works as a drop-in replacement for data frames, it prints out more information when you view it, but only 5-10 rows and not all variables. It will hopefully prevent you from printing out markdown files that are 100s of pages long because a single print function is hidden somewhere in your code. They also are a bit stricter, which can avoid some errors that are hard to track down. For example, if you try to access a variable name in a data frame but it does not exist, it will return an empty data vector with the NA value. In contrast, a tibble will return an error. Finally, subsetting a column returns another tibble, whereas something like x[,1] will return a vector.

The authors suggest that reading in data into a tibble can be a lot faster as well. Tibble also better support subsetting via pipes, which is an advanced syntax that some people feel is more powerful.

Storing data in a tibble is usually seamless, but there are sometimes packages out there that will fail when given a tibble when they expect a data frame. So be on the lookout for that.

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Using readxl

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The gdata library uses a third-party system in perl, and so you may be prompted to update that library, but it should work out of the box to read in xls and xlsx files. It is kind of slow for large files such as this one (with more than 1000 observations an 50+ variables). It creates a .csv file along the way that gets deleted, but you can use a related function to convert automatically to csv, as that may be faster.

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There are sometimes multiple sheets in a spreadsheet. By default this will grab the first sheet. A specific sheet can be specified too. This reads the second sheet, which is just the composite (mean) scores on five personality dimensions.

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# data2 <- read.xls('bigfive-codingcomplete.xlsx', sheet=2) head(data2)
data2 <- read_excel("bigfive-codingcomplete.xlsx", sheet = 2)
data2 <- read_excel("bigfive-codingcomplete.xlsx", sheet = "subset")</pre>
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The documentation warns that strings will be quoted, and you may need to play with the quote argument if you have quoted text in the spreadsheet, but this should work reasonably well for simple files.

Using curl

Curl is a widely used library and program for downloading files from the web. R provides a library that uses curl, which allows you to specify a web URL and a local file name and it will download/save the file. For example, here is an xlsx file that shows data about student health at an Australian university:

library(curl)

```
## This won't work! data3 <-
## read_excel('https://lo.unisa.edu.au/pluginfile.php/1020313/mod_book/chapter/106604/HLTH1025_2016.xlss
curl_download("https://lo.unisa.edu.au/pluginfile.php/1020313/mod_book/chapter/106604/HLTH1025_2016.xlss
destfile = "HLTH1025_2016.xlss")</pre>
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```
data3 <- read_excel("HLTH1025_2016.xlsx", sheet = "Data")</pre>
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codesheet <- read_excel("HLTH1025_2016.xlsx", sheet = 1, skip = 2)</pre>
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You can verify that the xlsx file has been dowloaded to your working directory and look at it. Note that it has two worksheets. The first worksheet is 'Metadata', which is the code book for the survey. The second sheet is 'Data', which is the actual data table. We need to specify sheet=2 or sheet ="Data", to get the right data sheet.

The haven library.

Haven can actually read web url directly. Here is the same data that is made available as an spss file. Notice it looks identical to the xls sheet.

```
library(haven)
data3.spss <- read_spss("https://lo.unisa.edu.au/pluginfile.php/1020313/mod_book/chapter/106604/HLTH102</pre>
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You need to be careful when using other people's data, especially when it is in SPSS format, because SPSS has a tradition of using a number like 999 or -999 as the code for missing data. I've heard claims that a depressingly-large number of high correlations reported in the literature occur because people have used 999 as missing data in two different variables, and fail to treat it as missing so it inflates correlations substantially.

If we look carefully, we can see 99s in mntlcurr and sf1, and 9999 in weight. Luckily, they did not choose to use 99 as a missing value for weight because there were legitimate values of 99 for weight. We'd hope that the spss format would save this. Haven has some functions to handle user-specified NA values, but at least for this current file it does not flag these values as missing, so we have to do it by hand. Note that almost every variable has one or more missing codes, so there will be a lot of data recoding if we want to analyze this data.

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data3.spss$weight[data3.spss$weight == 9999] <- NA
data3.spss$mntlcurr[data3.spss$mntlcurr == 99] <- NA
data3.spss$mntlcurr[data3.spss$mntlcurr == 99] <- NA</pre>
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The Tidyverse

Tidyverse is a meta-library that loads and installs a bunch of other packages. These include: * tibble, which we just examined * ggplot2, for fancy plotting * dplyr, for data manipulation * tidyr, for 'tidying' messy data * forcats, for dealing with factors and changing their order * purrr, for functional programming; ways of applying functions to data.

These replace and improve on a lot of data management functions we have already used, like aggregate, apply/tapply/lapply, filtering, sorting,

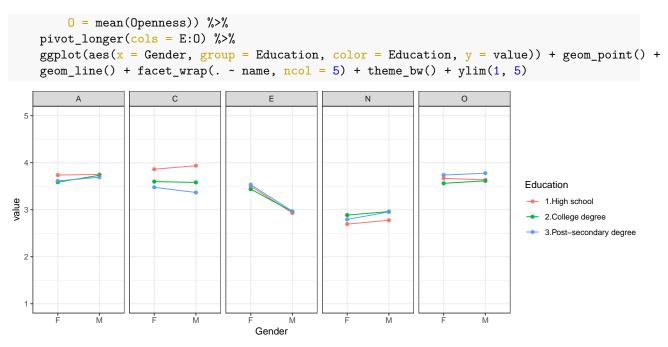
There are a number of other secondary and related libraries in the tidyverse that do not get loaded. Most of these are led to Hadley Wickham and R Studio. To use, install 'tidyverse' and load the library, and it will install load all the dependent packages.

```
install.packages("tidyverse")
library(tidyverse)
```

Importantly, tidyverse loads ggplot2, dplyr, tidyr, and tibble.

The tidyverse encompasses new and more efficient ways of handling data that update and augment many of the built-in methods provided by R. In some cases, they are merely alternate functions that provide the same output. Sometimes, they do things more efficiently or more easily. For example, in the previous course, we learned how the [] operator could be used for selection, sorting, filtering, repetition, and various related operations on data. The tidyverse provides individual unique functions that do each of these functions separately. So although each function might be easier to use, you now need to remember a dozen different function names and how each works.

For example, we can do selection, aggregation, and plotting in a single pipeline:



In the next units, we will learn about many of the functions supported by tidyverse libraries and functions.

Other packages

The gdata package

gdata has a lot of data management tools, related to sampling, summarizing, and the like. It has a number of useful functions for reading in .xls and .xlsx files. Note that the similar ''foreign" package includes ways of reading in additional file formats, such as spss, sas, stata, and octave, and the readxl package which is built-in to rstudio.

install.packages('gdata') library(gdata)

If loading the library returns an error, it is likely that you need to install perl on your computer. Instructions (courtesy Raghavendran Shankar):

Step-by-step procedure:

- 1. I have referred the cran r page : https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/gdata/INSTALL
- 2. In the webpage, I have used the link for installing perl (http://www.activestate.com/activeperl/) and downloaded and installed perl for 64 bit windows.
- 3. After installation, there was a folder called Perl in C drive. In that, I went to bin folder and there was an .exe file
- 4. I copied the path and used it in read.xls shown below:

data <- read.xls("bigfive-codingcomplete",perl = "C:/Perl64/bin/Perl.exe")

5. The data gets imported in R.

The prepdat package

The prepdat package is a new package that has two interesting functions: one that merges multiple files together, and another that aggregates summary statistics, especially useful for response time.

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install.packages("prepdat")
library("prepdat")
## This might be needed on windows: install.packages('rtools')
utils::unzip("data.zip", exdir = "data") ##unzip the data file. This may not work on some platforms, a
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The file_merge will merge multiple files (possibly in nested directories) with specific formats/matching strigns into a single data frame:

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library(prepdat)
data <- file_merge(folder_path = "data", has_header = T, raw_file_extension = "csv",
    raw_file_name = "globallocal*")
head(data)</pre>
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There is also a 'prep' function that will summarize your data

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data$within <- as.numeric(data$correctresp)</pre>
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dat2 <- prep(dataset = data, dvc = "rt", id = "subnum", within_vars = c("within"),
 save_results = F, save_summary = T, results_path = "data")</pre>

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