# Introduction to R

# **Summer Training for Research Scholar Program**

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### Installation

- 1. Install R using appropriate link from The Comprehensive R Archive Network.
- 2. Download and install RStudio for free. Just click the "Download RStudio" button and follow instructions.

#### **Basics**

When you type a command at the prompt of the *Console* window and hit Enter, your computer executes the command and shows you the results. Then RStudio displays a new prompt for your next command. For example, if you type 2 + 3 and hit Enter, RStudio will display:

```
2 + 3

[1] 5

or

21 / (4 + 3)

[1] 3
```

You can use common functions, like log(), sin(), cos() and many others:

```
log(2)
[1] 0.6931472
```

# Objects (or variables)

You can assign values to R objects using <- symbol:

```
height <- 70
```

R is case sensitive, so variables Height and height are two distinct objects.

You can define an R object, that stores multiple values. For example, you can create a vector that contains a sequence of integer values (notice that both - start and end values are included):

```
id <- 1:10
id
[1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

Avoid using names c, t, cat, F, T, D as those are built-in functions/constants.

The variable name can contain letters, digits, underscores and dots and start with the letter or dot. The variable name cannot contain dollar sign or other special characters.

```
str.var <- "oxygen"  # character variable
num.var <- 15.99  # numerical variable
bool.var <- TRUE  # Boolean (or logical) variable
bool.var.1 <- F  # logical values can be abbreviated</pre>
```

#### **Vectors**

Vector is an array of values of the same type: Vectors can be numeric, character or logical:

```
# Function c() is used to create a vector from a list of values
num.vector <- c( 5, 7, 9, 11, 4, -1, 0)

# Numeric vectors can be defined in a number of ways:
vals1 <- c (2, -7, 5, 3, -1 )  # concatenation
vals2 <- 25:75  # range of values
vals3 <- seq(from=0, to=3, by=0.5)  # sequence definition
vals4 <- rep(1, times=7)  # repeat value
vals5 <- rnorm(5, mean=2, sd=1.5 )  # normally distributed values</pre>
```

#### **R** Functions

There are many functions that come with R installation:

```
mean(1:99)
[1] 50
```

### R Help

You can access the function's help topic in two ways:

```
?sd
help(sd)
```

If you do not know the function's name, you can search for a topic

```
??"standard deviation"
help.search("standard deviation")
```

# Installing R packages

There are more than 20 thousand packages published officially on the CRAN's website. You can search them by name or by topic.

There are also many packages published on the Bioconductor site

To install an R package from the CRAN, use install.packages("package\_name") command. For example, you may want to install a very popular tidyverse library of packages used by many data scientists:

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

Another very handy package is *table1*:

```
# To install package
install.packages("table1")
```

Once package is installed it can be loaded and used:

```
#Load R package
library(table1)
```

# Vector operations in R

```
# Define a vector with values of body temperature in Fahrenheit
ftemp <- c(97.8, 99.5, 97.9, 102.1, 98.4, 97.7)

# Convert them to a vector with values in Celsius
ctemp <- (ftemp - 32) / 9 * 5
print(ctemp)

[1] 36.55556 37.50000 36.61111 38.94444 36.88889 36.50000</pre>
```

You can also perform operations on two or more vectors:

```
# Define values for body weight and height (in kg and meters)
weight <- c(65, 80, 73, 57, 84)
height <- c( 1.65, 1.80, 1.73, 1.68, 1.79)

# Calculate BMI
weight/height^2

[1] 23.87511 24.69136 24.39106 20.19558 26.21641</pre>
```

# **Vector Slicing (subsetting)**

There are a number of functions that are useful to locate a value satisfying specific condition(s)

```
which.max(x) # find the (first)maximum element and return its index

[1] 5

which.min(x)

[1] 3

which(x >= 37.0) # find the location of all the elements that satisfy a specific condition

[1] 2 4 5 6 8
```

### **Useful Functions:**

# Missing Values

Missing values in R are indicated with a symbol NA:

```
x <- c(734, 145, NA, 456, NA)

# check if there are any missing values:
anyNA(x)

[1] TRUE</pre>
```

To check which values are missing use is.na() function:

```
is.na(x)  # check if the element in the vector is missing

[1] FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE TRUE

which(is.na(x))  # which elements are missing
```

```
[1] 3 5
```

By default statistical functions will not compute if the data contain missing values:

```
mean(x)
[1] NA
```

To view the arguments that need to be used to remove missing data, read help topic for the function:

```
?mean

#Perform computation removing missing data
mean(x, na.rm=TRUE)

[1] 445
```

# Reading input files

There are many R functions to process files with various formats: Some come from base R:

- read.table()
- read.csv()
- read.delim()
- read.fwf()
- scan() and many others

```
# Read a regular csv file:
salt <- read.csv("http://rcs.bu.edu/classes/STaRS/intersalt.csv")</pre>
```

There are a few R packages which provide additional functionality to read files.

```
# Install package first
# You can install packages from the RStudio Menu (Tools -> Install packages)
# or by executing the following R command:
#install.packages("foreign")
#Load R package "foreign"
```

```
library(foreign)

# Read data in Stata format
swissdata <- read.dta("http://rcs.bu.edu/classes/STaRS/swissfile.dta")

# Load R package haven to read SAS-formatted files (make sure it is installed!)
#install.packages("haven")
library(haven)

# Read data in SAS format
fhsdata <- read_sas("http://rcs.bu.edu/classes/STaRS/fhs.sas7bdat")</pre>
```

# **Exploring R dataframes**

There are a few very useful commands to explore R's dataframes:

#### head(fhsdata)

```
# A tibble: 6 x 13
    SEX RANDID TOTCHOL
                        AGE SYSBP DIABP DIABETES BPMEDS PERIOD CIGPDAY HEARTRTE
  <dbl> <dbl>
                                           <dbl> <dbl>
                                                         <dbl>
                <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <
                                                                 <dbl>
                                                                          <dbl>
         2448
                  195
                         39 106
                                  70
                                               0
                                                      0
                                                             1
                                                                     0
                                                                             80
     1
2
     1
        2448
                  209
                         52 121
                                   66
                                               0
                                                      0
                                                             3
                                                                     0
                                                                             69
        6238
                                               0
                                                      0
3
     2
                  250
                         46 121
                                   81
                                                             1
                                                                     0
                                                                             95
4
     2
        6238
                  260
                         52 105
                                   69.5
                                               0
                                                      0
                                                             2
                                                                     0
                                                                             80
5
     2 6238
                  237
                         58 108
                                   66
                                               0
                                                      0
                                                             3
                                                                    0
                                                                             80
         9428
                  245
                         48 128. 80
                                               0
                                                      0
                                                             1
                                                                    20
                                                                             75
# i 2 more variables: HDLC <dbl>, LDLC <dbl>
```

tail(fhsdata)

# A	# A tibble: 6 x 13										
	SEX	RANDID	${\tt TOTCHOL}$	AGE	${\tt SYSBP}$	DIABP	DIABETES	${\tt BPMEDS}$	PERIOD	CIGPDAY	HEARTRTE
<	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	1	1.00e7	185	40	141	98	0	0	1	0	67
2	1	1.00e7	173	46	126	82	0	0	2	0	70
3	1	1.00e7	153	52	143	89	0	0	3	0	65
4	2	1.00e7	196	39	133	86	0	0	1	30	85
5	2	1.00e7	240	46	138	79	0	0	2	20	90

```
6 2 1.00e7 NA 50 147 96 0 0 3 10 94 # i 2 more variables: HDLC \langle dbl \rangle, LDLC \langle dbl \rangle
```

#### str(fhsdata)

```
tibble [11,627 x 13] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
$ SEX : num [1:11627] 1 1 2 2 2 1 1 2 2 2 ...
$ RANDID : num [1:11627] 2448 2448 6238 6238 6238 ...
 ..- attr(*, "label")= chr "Random ID"
$ TOTCHOL : num [1:11627] 195 209 250 260 237 245 283 225 232 285 ...
$ AGE
          : num [1:11627] 39 52 46 52 58 48 54 61 67 46 ...
$ SYSBP : num [1:11627] 106 121 121 105 108 ...
$ DIABP : num [1:11627] 70 66 81 69.5 66 80 89 95 109 84 ...
$ DIABETES: num [1:11627] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
 $ BPMEDS : num [1:11627] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
$ PERIOD : num [1:11627] 1 3 1 2 3 1 2 1 2 1 ...
 ..- attr(*, "label")= chr "Examination cycle"
$ CIGPDAY : num [1:11627] 0 0 0 0 0 20 30 30 20 23 ...
 ..- attr(*, "label")= chr "Cigarettes per day"
 $ HEARTRTE: num [1:11627] 80 69 95 80 80 75 75 65 60 85 ...
 ..- attr(*, "label")= chr "Ventricular Rate (beats/min)"
        : num [1:11627] NA 31 NA NA 54 NA NA NA NA NA ...
 ..- attr(*, "label")= chr "HDL Cholesterol mg/dL"
 $ LDLC : num [1:11627] NA 178 NA NA 141 NA NA NA NA NA ...
 ..- attr(*, "label")= chr "LDL Cholesterol mg/dL"
```

#### summary(fhsdata)

SEX	RANDID	TOTCHOL	AGE
Min. :1.000	Min. : 2448	Min. :107.0	Min. :32.00
1st Qu.:1.000	1st Qu.:2474378	1st Qu.:210.0	1st Qu.:48.00
Median :2.000	Median :5006008	Median :238.0	Median:54.00
Mean :1.568	Mean :5004741	Mean :241.2	Mean :54.79
3rd Qu.:2.000	3rd Qu.:7472730	3rd Qu.:268.0	3rd Qu.:62.00
Max. :2.000	Max. :9999312	Max. :696.0	Max. :81.00
		NA's :409	
SYSBP	DIABP	DIABETES	BPMEDS
Min. : 83.5	Min. : 30.00	Min. :0.00000	Min. :0.0000
1st Qu.:120.0	1st Qu.: 75.00	1st Qu.:0.00000	1st Qu.:0.0000
Median :132.0	Median : 82.00	Median :0.00000	Median :0.0000

Mean :136.3	Mean : 83.04	Mean :0.04558	Mean :0.5402
3rd Qu.:149.0	3rd Qu.: 90.00	3rd Qu.:0.00000	3rd Qu.:0.0000
Max. :295.0	Max. :150.00	Max. :1.00000	Max. :9.0000
PERIOD	CIGPDAY	HEARTRTE	HDLC
Min. :1.000	Min. : 0.00	Min. : 37.00	Min. : 10.00
1st Qu.:1.000	1st Qu.: 0.00	1st Qu.: 69.00	1st Qu.: 39.00
Median :2.000	Median: 0.00	Median : 75.00	Median : 48.00
Mean :1.899	Mean : 14.98	Mean : 77.26	Mean : 49.37
3rd Qu.:3.000	3rd Qu.: 20.00	3rd Qu.: 85.00	3rd Qu.: 58.00
Max. :3.000	Max. :999.00	Max. :999.00	Max. :189.00
			NA's :8600
LDLC			

Min. : 20.0 1st Qu.:145.0 Median :173.0 Mean :176.5 3rd Qu.:205.0 Max. :565.0 NA's :8601

# In this dataset, "999" is used to indicate missing values fhsdata\$HEARTRTE[fhsdata\$HEARTRTE==999]<- NA</pre> fhsdata\$CIGPDAY[fhsdata\$CIGPDAY==999]<- NA</pre> summary(fhsdata)

SEX	RANDID	TOTCHOL	AGE
Min. :1.000	Min. : 2448	Min. :107.0	Min. :32.00
1st Qu.:1.000	1st Qu.:2474378	1st Qu.:210.0	1st Qu.:48.00
Median :2.000	Median :5006008	Median :238.0	Median :54.00
Mean :1.568	Mean :5004741	Mean :241.2	Mean :54.79
3rd Qu.:2.000	3rd Qu.:7472730	3rd Qu.:268.0	3rd Qu.:62.00
Max. :2.000	Max. :9999312	Max. :696.0	Max. :81.00
		NA's :409	
SYSBP	DIABP	DIABETES	BPMEDS
Min. : 83.5	Min. : 30.00	Min. :0.00000	Min. :0.0000
1st Qu.:120.0	1st Qu.: 75.00	1st Qu.:0.00000	1st Qu.:0.0000
Median :132.0	Median : 82.00	Median :0.00000	Median :0.0000
Mean :136.3	Mean : 83.04	Mean :0.04558	Mean :0.5402
3rd Qu.:149.0	3rd Qu.: 90.00	3rd Qu.:0.00000	3rd Qu.:0.0000
Max. :295.0	Max. :150.00	Max. :1.00000	Max. :9.0000

```
CIGPDAY
                                                HDLC
   PERIOD
                               HEARTRTE
      :1.000
                   : 0.00 Min.
                                 : 37.00 Min. : 10.00
Min.
              Min.
              1st Qu.: 0.00 1st Qu.: 69.00 1st Qu.: 39.00
1st Qu.:1.000
Median :2.000
              Median: 0.00 Median: 75.00 Median: 48.00
Mean :1.899
                   : 8.25
                            Mean : 76.78 Mean : 49.37
              Mean
3rd Qu.:3.000
              3rd Qu.:20.00
                            3rd Qu.: 85.00 3rd Qu.: 58.00
Max. :3.000
              Max.
                   :90.00
                            Max. :220.00 Max. :189.00
              NA's :79
                            NA's :6
                                           NA's
                                                  :8600
    LDLC
Min. : 20.0
1st Qu.:145.0
Median :173.0
      :176.5
Mean
3rd Qu.:205.0
Max. :565.0
NA's :8601
```

We can use *table1* package to get various summaries stratifying by one or more variable:

```
# One level of stratification
table1(~ SEX + AGE + TOTCHOL | DIABETES, data=fhsdata)
```

	0	1	Overall
	(N=11097)	(N=530)	(N=11627)
SEX	,	,	,
Mean (SD)	1.57 (0.495)	1.52 (0.500)	1.57 (0.495)
Median [Min, Max]	2.00 [1.00, 2.00]	$2.00 \ [1.00, \ 2.00]$	2.00 [1.00, 2.00]
AGE			
Mean (SD)	54.5 (9.52)	60.8 (8.54)	54.8 (9.56)
Median [Min, Max]	54.0 [32.0, 81.0]	61.0 [36.0, 80.0]	54.0 [32.0, 81.0]
TOTCHOL			
Mean (SD)	241 (44.9)	242 (53.6)	241 (45.4)
Median [Min, Max]	238 [107, 696]	236 [112, 638]	238 [107, 696]
Missing	381 (3.4%)	28~(5.3%)	409~(3.5%)

```
# Two levels of stratification (nesting)
table1(~ AGE + TOTCHOL + HDLC | DIABETES*SEX, data=fhsdata)
```

	1	2	1	2	1	2
	(N=4769)	(N=6328)	(N=253)	(N=277)	(N=5022)	(N=6605)
AGE	,	,	,	, ,	,	,
Mean (SD)	54.2 (9.49)	54.7 (9.53)	59.8 (8.39)	61.7 (8.59)	54.5 (9.51)	55.0 (9.60)
Median [Min,	54.0 [33.0,	54.0 [32.0,	60.0 [39.0,	62.0 [36.0,	54.0 [33.0,	55.0 [32.0,
Max]	80.0]	81.0]	79.0]	80.0]	80.0]	81.0]
TOTCHOL						
Mean (SD)	235 (42.4)	246 (46.2)	228 (42.8)	255 (59.4)	234 (42.4)	247 (46.9)
Median [Min,	232 [113,	243 [107,	230 [115,	248 [112,	232 [113,	243 [107,
Max]	696]	625]	366]	638]	696]	638]
Missing	$100 \ (2.1\%)$	281 (4.4%)	7~(2.8%)	$21\ (7.6\%)$	107 (2.1%)	302 (4.6%)
HDL						
Cholesterol						
mg/dL						
Mean (SD)	43.7(13.1)	54.0 (15.8)	43.8 (15.2)	49.3(17.1)	43.7(13.3)	53.6 (15.9)
Median [Min,	42.0 [10.0,	52.0 [11.0,	41.0 [17.0,	48.0 [15.0,	42.0 [10.0,	52.0 [11.0,
Max]	138]	189]	118]	93.0]	138]	189]
Missing	3578	4724	140	158	3718	4882
	(75.0%)	(74.7%)	(55.3%)	(57.0%)	(74.0%)	(73.9%)

To see more examples of table1 package usage, see. https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/table1/vignettes/table1-examples.html

#### Correlation

To explain this test, we will use the *salt* dataset we imported earlier:

```
str(salt)
```

```
'data.frame': 52 obs. of 4 variables:

$ b : num    0.512 0.226 0.316 0.042 0.086 0.265 0.384 0.501 0.352 0.443 ...

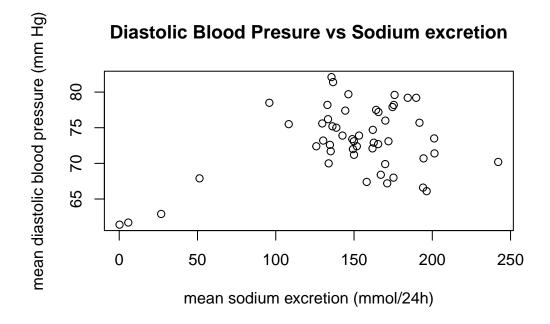
$ bp : num    72 78.2 73.9 61.7 61.4 73.4 79.2 66.6 82.1 75 ...

$ sodium : num    149.3 133 142.6 5.8 0.2 ...

$ country: chr    "Argentina" "Belgium" "Brazil" ...
```

The correlation test is used to test the linear relationship of 2 continuous variables. We can first display two variables using scatter plot:

```
plot(x = salt$sodium,
    y = salt$bp,
    xlab = "mean sodium excretion (mmol/24h)",
    ylab = "mean diastolic blood pressure (mm Hg)",
    main = "Diastolic Blood Presure vs Sodium excretion")
```



As we can see in this plot, there is little correlation between these 2 variables and there are a few "outlier" points that will affect the correlation calculation!!!

Let's perform the test:

```
cor.test(salt$bp, salt$sodium)

Pearson's product-moment correlation

data: salt$bp and salt$sodium

t = 2.7223, df = 50, p-value = 0.008901
alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
    0.09577287    0.57573339
sample estimates:
        cor
    0.3592828
```

The **Null Hypothesis**: the true correlation between bp and sodium (blood pressure and salt intake) is 0 (they are independent);

The **Alternative hypothesis**: true correlation between bp and sodium is not equal to 0.

The p-value is less that 0.05 and the 95% CI does not contain 0, so at the significance level of 0.05 we reject null hypothesis and state that there is some (positive) correlation (0.359) between these 2 variables.

#### Important:

- The order of the variables in the test is not important
- Correlation provide evidence of association, not causation!
- Correlation values is always between -1 and 1 and does not change if the units of either or both variables change
- Correlation describes linear relationship
- Correlation is strongly affected by outliers (extreme observations)

In this case the correlation is weak and there are a few points that significantly affect the result.

#### Linear Model

```
lm.res <- lm( bp ~ sodium, data = salt)</pre>
summary(lm.res)
Call:
lm(formula = bp ~ sodium, data = salt)
Residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                             3Q
                                    Max
-8.8625 -2.8906 0.0299 3.6470 9.4283
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 67.56245
                       2.14643 31.477
                                          <2e-16 ***
             0.03768
                        0.01384
                                          0.0089 **
sodium
                                  2.722
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 4.511 on 50 degrees of freedom
                               Adjusted R-squared: 0.1117
Multiple R-squared: 0.1291,
```

```
F-statistic: 7.411 on 1 and 50 DF, p-value: 0.008901
```

Here we estimated that relationship between the predictor (sodium) and response (bp) variables.

The summary statistics here reports a number of things. *p-value* tells us if the model is statistically significant.

In Linear Regression, the *Null Hypothesis* is that the coefficient associated with the variables are equal to zero.

Multiple R-squared value is equal to the square of the correlation value we calculated in the previous test.

When the model fits the data;

- R-squared The higher the better
- F-statistics The higher the better
- Std. Error The closer to 0 the better

# One Sample t-Test

This test is used to test the mean of a sample from a normal distribution

```
t.test(salt$bp, mu=70)

One Sample t-test

data: salt$bp
t = 4.7485, df = 51, p-value = 1.703e-05
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 70
95 percent confidence interval:
  71.81934 74.48451
sample estimates:
mean of x
  73.15192
```

The *null hypothesis*: The true mean is equal to 70. The *alternative hypothesis*: true mean is not equal to 70. Since *p-value* is small (1.703e-05) - less than 0.05, 95% percent CI does not contain the value 70, we can reject the *null hypothesis*.

# Two Sample t-TEST

Let's load some other dataset. It comes with R. This dataset shows the effect of two soporific drugs (increase in hours of sleep compared to control) on 10 patients. There are 3 variables:

- extra: (numeric) increase in hours of sleep.
- group: (factor) categorical variable indicating which drug is given
- ID: (factor) patient ID

```
data(sleep)
head(sleep)

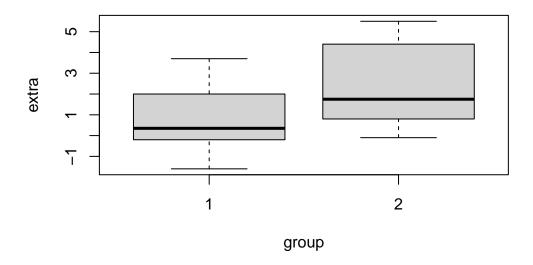
extra group ID
1 0.7 1 1
2 -1.6 1 2
3 -0.2 1 3
4 -1.2 1 4
5 -0.1 1 5
6 3.4 1 6
```

# summary(sleep)

ex	tra	group		ID
Min.	:-1.600	1:10	1	:2
1st Qu	.:-0.025	2:10	2	:2
Median	: 0.950		3	:2
Mean	: 1.540		4	:2
3rd Qu	.: 3.400		5	:2
Max.	: 5.500		6	:2
			(Othe	r):8

To compare the means of 2 samples:

```
boxplot(extra ~ group, data = sleep)
```



Here the *Null Hypothesis* is that the true difference between 2 groups is equal to 0 And the *Alternative Hypothesis* is that it does not equal to 0 In this test the p-value is above significance level of 0.05 and 95% CI contains 0, so we cannot reject the NULL hypothesis.

Note, that t.test has a number of options, including *alternative* which can be set to "two.sided", "less", "greater", depending which test you would like to perform. Using option *var.equal* you can also specify if the variances of the values in each group are equal or not.

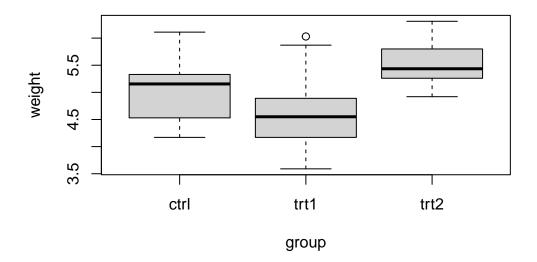
### One-way ANOVA test

The one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) test is an extension of two-samples t.test for comparing means for datasets with more than 2 groups.

#### **Assumptions**:

- The observations are obtained independently and randomly from the population defined by the categorical variable
- The data of each category is normally distributed
- The populations have a common variance.

```
data("PlantGrowth")
head(PlantGrowth)
  weight group
   4.17 ctrl
   5.58 ctrl
   5.18 ctrl
3
   6.11 ctrl
5
   4.50 ctrl
   4.61 ctrl
summary(PlantGrowth)
    weight
                 group
 Min. :3.590
                ctrl:10
 1st Qu.:4.550
                trt1:10
 Median :5.155
                trt2:10
 Mean :5.073
 3rd Qu.:5.530
Max. :6.310
boxplot(weight~group, data=PlantGrowth)
```



As visible from the side-by-side boxplots, there is some difference in the weights of 3 groups, but we cannot determine from the plot if this difference is significant.

```
aov.res <- aov(weight~group, data=PlantGrowth)
summary( aov.res )

Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
group 2 3.766 1.8832 4.846 0.0159 *
Residuals 27 10.492 0.3886
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

As we can see from the summary output the p-value is 0.0159 < 0.05 which indicates that there is a statistically significant difference in weight between these groups. We can check the confidence intervals for the treatment parameters:

```
2.5 % 97.5 %
(Intercept) 4.62752600 5.4364740
grouptrt1 -0.94301261 0.2010126
grouptrt2 -0.07801261 1.0660126
```

**Important**: In one-way ANOVA test a small p-value indicates that some of the group means are different, but it does not say which ones!

For multiple pairwise-comparisions we use **Tukey** test:

This result indicates that the significant difference in between treatment 1 and treatment 2 with the adjusted p-value of 0.012.

# Chi-Squred test of independence in R

The chi-square test is used to analyze the frequency table (or contengency table) formed by two categorical variables. It evaluates whether there is a significant association between the categories of the two variables.

```
treat <- read.csv("http://rcs.bu.edu/classes/STaRS/treatment.csv")</pre>
head(treat)
  id treated improved
            1
2
   2
            1
                      1
3
   3
            0
                      1
4
  4
            1
                      1
5 5
            1
                     0
6
  6
            1
                     0
summary(treat)
```

```
id treated improved
Min.: 1 Min.:0.0000 Min.:0.000
1st Qu.: 27 1st Qu.:0.0000 1st Qu.:0.000
Median: 53 Median:0.0000 Median:1.000
```

```
Mean : 53 Mean :0.4762 Mean :0.581
3rd Qu.: 79 3rd Qu.:1.0000 3rd Qu.:1.000
Max. :105 Max. :1.0000 Max. :1.000
```

In the above dataset there are 2 categorical variables:

treated - 0 or 1improved - 0 or 1

We would like to test if there is an improvement after the treatment. In other words if these 2 categorical variables are dependent.

First let's take a look at the tables:

```
# Frequency table: "treated will be rows, "improved" - columns"
table(treat$treated, treat$improved)

0 1
0 29 26
1 15 35

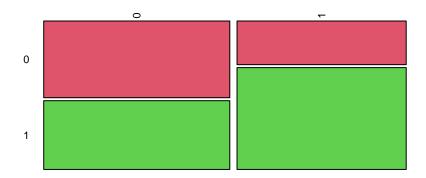
# Proportion table
prop.table(table(treat$treated, treat$improved))

0 1
0 0.2761905 0.2476190
1 0.1428571 0.33333333
```

We can visualize this contingency table with a mosaic plot:

```
tbl <- table(treat$treated, treat$improved)
mosaicplot( tbl, color = 2:3, las = 2, main = "Improvement vs. Treatment" )</pre>
```

# Improvement vs. Treatment



### Compute chi-squred test

```
chisq.test (tbl)

Pearson's Chi-squared test with Yates' continuity correction
data: tbl
X-squared = 4.6626, df = 1, p-value = 0.03083
```

The Null Hypothesis is that treated and improved variables are independent. In the above test the p-value is 0.03083, so at the significance level of 0.05 we can reject the null hypothesis

#### **Additional resources**

- 1. R for applied epidemiology and public health
- 2. R for data science
- 3. The R Graph Gallery
- 4. FAQ in R and other R topics by UCLA
- 5. Which Statistical Test to use