

# R Training part 2

Functions, Loops, and more on Sapelo2

# Goals of Training

By the end of this training you should be able to:

- Use loops and conditional logic
- Use basic vectorization
- Create your own functions
- Find and replace text
- Monitor your code
- Use what you have learned to run a batch job on Sapelo2

## Control structures

- `if` and `else`: testing a condition and acting on it
- `for`: execute a loop a fixed number of times
- `while`: execute a loop *while* a condition is true
- `repeat`: execute an infinite loop (must `break` out of it to stop)
- `break`: break the execution of a loop
- `next`: skip an iteration of a loop

if(<condition>){  
Do something  
}

```
> x = 3  
> if(x > 0){print("That's a nice positive number")}  
[1] "That's a nice positive number"  
> □
```

Can add else  
Clause

```
> x = -3  
> if(x > 0){print("That's a nice positive number")  
+ }else{print("That's a nice negative number")}  
[1] "That's a nice negative number"  
> □
```

ifelse()

```
> x=3  
> ifelse(x>0, "positive", "negative")  
[1] "positive"  
> □
```

Multi if statements  
Or  
dplyr:case\_when

```
> x = 0  
> if(x<0)("negative number")  
> if(x>0)("positive number")  
> if(x==0)("It is zero")  
[1] "It is zero"  
> □
```

```
> case_when(  
  x < 0 ~ "negative",  
  x == 0 ~ "zero",  
  x > 0 ~ "positive"  
)  
[1] "zero"  
> □
```

# For Loops

for(x in list,vector,etc){  
Do something involving x}

```
> names = c("keeko","maria","dima","ellen")  
> for(name in names){  
  cat("hello",name,". ")  
}  
hello keeko . hello maria . hello dima . hello ellen . > 
```

If statement INSIDE a loops! & is used for “and” and | is used for “or”

```
> numbers = c(-2,-1,0,1,2,3)  
> for(i in numbers){  
  if( (i > -1 & i < 1) | i == 3){print(i)}  
}  
[1] 0  
[1] 3  
> 
```

# While Loops

```
> count = 0
> while(count < 5){
+     print(count)
+     count = count + 1 }
[1] 0
[1] 1
[1] 2
[1] 3
[1] 4
□
```

Careful about infinite loops!

# Next and Break

Next skips iterations

```
> for(num in 1:10){  
    if( num < 4){next}  
    print(num)  
}  
[1] 4  
[1] 5  
[1] 6  
[1] 7  
[1] 8  
[1] 9  
[1] 10  
> 
```

Break exits a Loop

```
> for(num in 1:10){  
    if( num > 4){break}  
    print(num)  
}  
[1] 1  
[1] 2  
[1] 3  
[1] 4  
> 
```

# Useful Built in DataSets

To see available datasets, run

```
data()
```

To load a dataset we can run

```
data(iris)
```

```
> head(iris)
  Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
1           5.1         3.5         1.4         0.2   setosa
2           4.9         3.0         1.4         0.2   setosa
3           4.7         3.2         1.3         0.2   setosa
4           4.6         3.1         1.5         0.2   setosa
5           5.0         3.6         1.4         0.2   setosa
6           5.4         3.9         1.7         0.4   setosa
```

# Vectorization

Allows efficient calculations to occur.

Vectorization is often built into functions.

Much Faster Than Loops!

```
> testnumbers
[1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
> testnumbers + 3
[1] 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13
```

```
> testnumbers[testnumbers<5]
[1] 1 2 3 4
> 
```

```
> testnumbers < 5
[1] TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
```

```
> abs_loop <- function(vec){
+   for (i in 1:length(vec)) {
+     if (vec[i] < 0) {
+       vec[i] <- -vec[i]
+     }
+   }
+   vec
+ }
>
>
>
> abs_sets <- function(vec){
+   negs <- vec < 0
+   vec[negs] <- vec[negs] * -1
+   vec
+ }
>
> long <- rep(c(-1, 1), 50000)
> system.time(abs_loop(long))
  user  system elapsed
0.012  0.000  0.012
> system.time(abs_sets(long))
  user  system elapsed
0.001  0.000  0.001
> 
```

# Apply Functions

Input includes the dataframe, whether the function should be applied row or column wise and the name of the function.

Faster than Loops!

```
> x = 1:10
> y = 1:10
> z = 1:10
> test = data.frame(x,y,z)
> test
  x y z
1 1 1 1
2 2 2 2
3 3 3 3
4 4 4 4
5 5 5 5
6 6 6 6
7 7 7 7
8 8 8 8
9 9 9 9
10 10 10 10
> 
```

```
> apply(test,1,mean)
[1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
> apply(test,2,mean)
  x  y  z
5.5 5.5 5.5
> 
```

Create Functions inside apply function

```
> apply(test,2, function(x) mean(x)-1)
  x  y  z
4.5 4.5 4.5
> 
```

# Functions

As you saw with `apply()`, a function can be an argument in another function!

Functions can also be nested.

```
<name> = function(arguments){  
  Evaluate this code  
}
```

The return value is the last  
Expression executed.

Can explicitly select return value  
With `return()`

```
> my_first_function = function(x){  
  cat("I love the variable",x )}  
> my_first_function(3)  
I love the variable 3>  
> my_first_function("hello")  
I love the variable hello>  
> my_first_function(names)  
I love the variable keeko maria dima ellen> □
```

```
> my_second_function = function(x){  
  doubled = x*2  
  doubled}  
> my_second_function(3)  
[1] 6  
> □
```

## Multiple arguments

```
> my_third_function = function(x,y){
  newlist = x*y
  newlist}
> my_third_function(1:3,3)
[1] 3 6 9
> 
```

## Default values

```
> my_fourth_function = function(x,y=3){
  newlist = x*y
  newlist}
> my_fourth_function(1:3)
[1] 3 6 9
> 
```

# Regular expressions

```
> grep("e",testPeople$name)
[1] 1 3 4
> grepl("e",testPeople$name)
[1] TRUE FALSE TRUE TRUE
> 
```

```
> sub("e","p",testPeople$name)
[1] "kpeko" "Anna" "Ellpn" "Lukp"
> gsub("e","p",testPeople$name)
[1] "kppko" "Anna" "Ellpn" "Lukp"
> 
```

# Monitoring code

The `traceback()` function slows roughly where an error occurred  
`debug()` function initiates an interactive debugger:

- `n` executes the current expression and moves to the next expression
- `c` continues execution of the function and does not stop until either an error or the function exits
- `q` quits the debugger

Use `undebug()` to turn off debugger

`system.time()` contains user time and elapsed time (time passing for user)