

## Introduction to R — Fall 2007

### Homework Set # 2

Begin the homework session by executing the following command in *R*:

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source("http://www.nd.edu/~steve/Rcourse/hmwrkData/hmwrk2Data.R")
```

This will define variables you are to use in the problems below. The variable names are *X*, *x1*. To see the value of the variable simply enter it at the prompt and type “Return”.

To submit this homework save a transcript of the *R* session in which you complete it and e-mail to me. You must include your name as a comment on the first line and in the file name.

**Exer. 2.1.** The matrix *X* you’ve loaded is  $4 \times 4$ . Use the functions `rownames` and `colnames` to make the row names of *X*, “R1”, “R2”, “R3”, “R4”, and the column names “C1”, “C2”, “C3”, “C4”. Type *X* at the prompt to show this has been done. Now create the matrix *Y1* consisting of the elements in rows 3 and 4, and columns 3 and 4.

**Exer. 2.2.** Create the vector *y3* that is the fourth column of *X*. Ensure that it has names = the rownames of *X*. Let *y4* be the result of sorting *y3* in increasing order (smallest value first). (HINT: Remember the function `sort`.) What is the name corresponding to the smallest value? Let *y5* be the row of *X* with this corresponding name.

**Exer. 2.3.** Recall how subsetting by a logical expressions works for a matrix. Use this to calculate the number of entries in *X* that are  $> 0$ .

**Exer. 2.4.** Form *X1* that is the result of replacing each negative number in *X* by  $-1$ .

**Exer. 2.5.** Find the vector *z1* which contains the minimum value of each column in *X*.

**Learning Set 2.A.** Often you will need to combine two vectors (union) or find the elements that are in vector *x* and not in *y* (set difference), and perform other set-theoretical operations. Look up the help for `union`, `intersect`, `setdiff`, `unique`.

**Exer. 2.6.** Given the integer vector *x1*, form *w1* that consists of only the even numbers in *x1*. HINT: Use `intersect`. Then produce the vector *w2* that consists of the numbers in *x1* that aren’t in *w1*.