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Data Programming

Academic Year: (2023 / 2024) Review date: 15-07-2023

Department assigned to the subject: Statistics Department

Coordinating teacher: UCAR MARQUES, IÑAKI

Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits: 6.0

Year: 1 Semester: 1

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

Introduction to Programming with R (19151)

OBJECTIVES

- Knowledge of data programming structures and procedures.
- Ability to import tabular data in a variety of formats with the R programming language.
- Ability to work with remote databases.
- Ability to prepare, clean, transform and enrich tabular data for further modeling and visualization with R and SQL programming languages.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

- 1. R base programming
- 1.1. Introduction to R ecosystem
- 1.2. Introduction to RStudio. Working with projects
- 1.3. Basic data types
- 1.4. First uses of functions and packages. Basic operations
- 1.5. Understanding errors
- 2. From cell to dataset
- 2.1. Concatenate values: vectors (variables)
- 2.2. Basic operations with vectors
- 2.3. Loops vs. vectorial programming. Control flow estructures
- 2.4. First databases: matrices and data.frames
- 2.5. Tibbles as standard type for databases. Datapasta package
- 3. Tidy data
- 3.1. R base vs. tidyverse. Pipe operator
- 3.2. Principles of tidy data: tidy vs. messy data
- 3.3. Pivoting datasets
- 4. RMarkdown and quarto: report results
- 5. Tidyverse
- 5.1. Operations by rows. Cleaning data: NA values and duplicates
- 5.2. Operations by columns
- 5.3. Aggregating and recategorizing variables
- 5.4. Group variables: group_by and .by
- 5.5. Summaries
- 5.6. Joining datasets
- 5.7. Import/export from/to different formats
- 5.8. Use of APIs
- 6. Advanced data types
- 6.1. Categorical variables: forcats package
- 6.2. Handling characters: stringr package
- 6.3. Handling dates: lubridate package
- 6.4. Handling lists: purrr package. Functional programming
- 7. Advanced data management
- 7.1. dbplyr package: from tidyverse to SQL

7.2. arrow package: handling massive databases

- 8. SQL programming
- 8.1. Introduction to relational databases
- 8.2. Data handling and querying
- 8.3. Complex queries, aggregations and subqueries
- 8.4. Joining tables

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

Training Activities:

- Theoretical-practical classes
- Tutorials
- Group work
- Individual student work

Teaching Methods:

- Presentations in the professor's lecture room with computer and audiovisual support, in which the main concepts of the subject are developed and a bibliography is provided to complement the students' learning.
- Resolution of practical cases, problems, etc. raised by the professor, either individually or in a group.
- Presentation and discussion in class, under the moderation of the professor, of topics related to the content of the subject, as well as practical case studies.
- Developing pieces of work and reports, individually or in group.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

- Participation in the class (10%)
- Individual work done during the course (60%)
- Group work done at the end of the course (30%)

In the extraordinary call, the evaluation system will be as follows:

1) Exam: 100%

% end-of-term-examination:

% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...): 100

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Hadley Wickham R for Data Science, O¿Reilly, 2017

ADDITIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Chester Ismay and Albert Y. Kim Statistical Inference via Data Science: a Modern Dive into R and the tidyverse, Chapman & Hall, 2022
- Steph Locke Data Manipulation in R, Locke Data, 2017

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