
Arithmetics, Logical Operators & Elementary Functions

Arithmetical Operators

In R the elementary arithmetic is the usual:

- + addition
- – subtraction
- * multiplication
- / division
- ^ raising to a power

and operators are used as in a common calculator.

Example:

```
> (4+3)*2
```

```
> 5^2
```

Logical operators

To compare objects (numbers, vectors, arrays,...) the following operators are used:

- < less than
- > more than
- <= less than or equal to
- >= more than or equal to
- == equal to
- != inequal to

Example:

$4 > 2$

$A == B$

The output is “True” or “False”.

To compose logical expressions the following symbols are used:

- & “and”
- | “or”
- ! “not”

If $c1$ and $c2$ are logical expressions:

- $c1 \& c2$ is their intersection
 - $c1 | c2$ is their union
 - $!c1$ is the negation of $c1$
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Elementary functions available in R:

- **sqrt()** square root
 - **abs()** modulus
 - **exp()** exponential function
 - **log()** natural logarithm
 - **log10()** logarithm base10
 - **ceiling()** rounds to the smallest integer greater than the argument
 - **floor()** rounds to the greatest integer smaller than the argument
 - **trunc()** truncates decimals
 - **round(x,n)** round x to the specified n decimal places
 - **signif(x,n)** round to the n significant places
 - **sin() cos() tan()** trigonometric functions
 - **asin(), acos(), atan()** inverse trigonometric functions
 - **sinh(), cosh() tanh()** hyperbolic functions
 - **asinh(), acosh(), atanh()** inverse hyperbolic functions
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Variables and Assignments

Assign a value to a variable

It has been said that if a command is an *expression*, R evaluate it and the output is printed on the terminal and “lost”.

In order to keep memory of the output it is necessary to pass its value to a variable, making an *assignment*.

To assign a value to a variable it is used the symbol “<-” pointing to the variable which receives the value:

x <- 3*4 (the command 3*4 -> x is equivalent)

y < 2

xy <- x*y

or the function **assign()**:

assign(“x”, 3*4)

assign(“y”, 2)

assign(“xy”, x*y)

To display the value of a variable just type the name of the variable itself.

In the previous example:

```
> x
```

```
[1] 12
```

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> y
```

```
[1] 2
```

```
> xy
```

```
[1] 24
```

To display the list of the names of all the variables in the workspace type:

```
ls()
```

or

```
objects()
```
