UNIT V R LANGUAGE

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CLASSES IN R PROGRAMMING

Classes and Objects are basic concepts of Object-Oriented Programming that revolve around real-life entities. Everything in R is an object. An object is simply a data structure that has some methods and attributes. A class is just a blueprint or a sketch of these objects. It represents the set of properties or methods that are common to all objects of one type.

Unlike most other programming languages, R has a three-class system. These are S3, S4, and Reference Classes.

S3 Class

S3 is the simplest yet the most popular OOP system and it lacks formal definition and structure. An object of this type can be created by just adding an attribute to it. Following is an example to make things more clear:

Example:

```
movieList <- list(name = "Iron man", leadActor = "Robert Downey Jr")
class(movieList) <- "movie"
movieList
```

Output:

```
$name
[1] "Iron man"
$leadActor
[1] "Robert Downey Jr"
```

In S3 systems, methods don’t belong to the class. They belong to generic functions. It means that we can’t create our own methods here, as we do in other programming languages like C++ or Java. But we can define what a generic method (for example print) does when applied to our objects.

```
print(movieList)
```

Output:

```
$name
[1] "Iron man"
$leadActor
[1] "Robert Downey Jr"
```

INPUT IN R

Developers often have a need to interact with users, either to get data or to provide some sort of result. Most programs today use a dialog box as a way of asking the user to provide some type of input. Like other programming languages in R it's also possible to take input from the user. For doing so, there are two methods in R.

- Using readline() method
- Using scan() method

Using readline() method

In R language readline() method takes input in string format. If one inputs an integer then it is inputted as a string, lets say, one wants to input 255, then it will input as "255", like a string. So one needs to convert that inputted value to the format that he needs. In this case, string "255" is converted to integer 255. To convert the inputted value to the desired data type, there are some functions in R,

as.integer(n); —> convert to integer
as.numeric(n); —> convert to numeric type (float, double etc)
as.complex(n); —> convert to complex number (i.e 3+2i)
as.Date(n) —> convert to date …, etc

```
var = readline();
# convert the inputted value to integer
var = as.integer(var);
# print the value
print(var)
```

Output:

```
255
[1] 255
```

Taking multiple inputs in R

Taking multiple inputs in R language is same as taking single input, just need to define multiple readline() for inputs. One can use braces for define multiple readline() inside it.

Syntax:

```
var1 = readline("Enter 1st number : ");
var2 = readline("Enter 2nd number : ");
var3 = readline("Enter 3rd number : ");
var4 = readline("Enter 4th number : ");
```

or,

```
{
```

```
var1 = readline(“Enter 1st number : “);
var2 = readline(“Enter 2nd number : “);
var3 = readline(“Enter 3rd number : “);
var4 = readline(“Enter 4th number : “);
}
```

Example:

```
# using braces
{
   var1 = readline("Enter 1st number : ");
   var2 = readline("Enter 2nd number : ");
   var3 = readline("Enter 3rd number : ");
   var4 = readline("Enter 4th number : ");
}
# converting each value
var1 = as.integer(var1);
var2 = as.integer(var2);
var3 = as.integer(var3);
var4 = as.integer(var4);
# print the sum of the 4 number
print(var1 + var2 + var3 + var4)
```

Output:

```
Enter 1st number : 12
Enter 2nd number : 13
Enter 3rd number : 14
Enter 4th number : 15
[1] 54
```

Using scan() method

Another way to take user input in R language is using a method, called scan() method. This method takes input from the console. This method is a very handy method while inputs are needed to taken quickly for any mathematical calculation or for any dataset. This method reads data in the form of a vector or list. This method also uses to reads input from a file also.

Syntax:

```
x = scan()
```

scan() method is taking input continuously, to terminate the input process, need to press Enter key 2 times on the console.

Example:

This is simple method to take input using scan() method, where some integer number is taking as input and print those values in the next line on the console.

```
x = scan()
print(x)
```

Output:

```
1: 1 2 3 4 5 6
7: 7 8 9 4 5 6
13:
Read 12 items
[1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 4 5 6
```

In R there are various methods to print the output. Most common method to print output in R program, there is a function called print() is used. Also if the program of R is written over the console line by line then the output is printed normally, no need to use any function for print that output. To do this just select the output variable and press run button.

OUTPUT IN R

Print output using print() function

Using print() function to print output is the most common method in R. Implementation of this method is very simple.

Syntax: print("any string") or, print(variable)

```
print("GFG")
x <- "GeeksforGeeks"
print(x)
```

Output:

```
[1] "GFG"
[1] "GeeksforGeeks"
```

Print output using paste() function inside print() function

R provides a method paste() to print output with string and variable together. This method defined inside the print() function. paste() converts its arguments to character strings.

```
x <- "GeeksforGeeks"
print(paste(x, "is best (paste inside print())"))
print(paste0(x, "is best (paste0 inside print())"))
```

Output:

```
[1] "GeeksforGeeks is best (paste inside print())"
[1] "GeeksforGeeksis best (paste0 inside print())"
```

Print output using sprintf() function

sprintf() is basically a C library function. This function is use to print string as C language. This is working as a wrapper function to print values and strings together like C language. This function returns a character vector containing a formatted combination of string and variable to be printed.

```
x = "GeeksforGeeks" # string
x1 = 255            # integer
x2 = 23.14          # float
sprintf("%s is best", x)
sprintf("%d is integer", x1)
sprintf("%f is float", x2)
```

Output:

```
> sprintf("%s is best", x)
[1] "GeeksforGeeks is best"
> sprintf("%d is integer", x1)
[1] "255 is integer"
> sprintf("%f is float", x2)
[1] "23.140000 is float"
```

Print output using cat() function

Another way to print output in R is using of cat() function. It's same as print() function. cat() converts its arguments to character strings. This is useful for printing output in user defined functions.

Syntax: cat("any string") or, cat("any string", variable)

Example:

```
x = "GeeksforGeeks"
cat(x, "is best\n")
cat("This is R language")
```

Output:

```
GeeksforGeeks is best
This is R language
```

Print output using message() function

Another way to print something in R by using message() function. This is not used for print output but its use for showing simple diagnostic messages which are no warnings or errors in the program. But it can be used for normal uses for printing output.

Syntax: message("any string") or, message("any string", variable)

Example:

```
x = "GeeksforGeeks"
```

```
message(x, "is best")
message("This is R language")
```
Output:
```
GeeksforGeeks is best
This is R language
```

STRING MANIPULATION IN R

String manipulation basically refers to the process of handling and analyzing strings. It involves various operations concerned with modification and parsing of strings to use and change its data. R offers a series of in-built functions to manipulate the contents of a string. In this article, we will study different functions concerned with the manipulation of strings in R.

Concatenation of Strings

String Concatenation is the technique of combining two strings. String Concatenation can be done using many ways:

1. paste() function Any number of strings can be concatenated together using the paste() function to form a larger string. This function takes a separator as an argument which is used between the individual string elements and another argument 'collapse' which reflects if we wish to print the strings together as a single larger string. By default, the value of collapse is NULL.

Syntax:
```
paste(..., sep=" ", collapse = NULL)
```
Example:
```
str <- paste("Learn", "Code")
print (str)
```
Output:
```
"Learn Code"
```
In case no separator is specified the default separator " " is inserted between individual strings.

Example:
```
str <- paste(c(1:3), "4", sep = ":")
print (str)
```
Output:
```
"1:4" "2:4" "3:4"
```
2. cat() function Different types of strings can be concatenated together using the cat()) function in R, where sep specifies the separator to give between the strings and file name, in case we wish to write the contents onto a file.

Syntax:
cat(..., sep=" ", file)
Example:
str <- cat("learn", "code", "tech", sep = ":")
print (str)
Output:
learn:code:techNULL
The output string is printed without any quotes and the default separator is ':'.NULL value is appended at the end.
Example:
cat(c(1:5), file ='sample.txt')
Output:
1 2 3 4 5
Calculating Length of strings
1. length() function The length() function determines the number of strings specified in the function.
Example:
print (length(c("Learn to", "Code")))
Output:
2
There are two strings specified in the function.
nchar() function nchar() counts the number of characters in each of the strings specified as arguments to the function individually.
Example:
print (nchar(c("Learn", "Code")))
Output:
5 4
Case Conversion of strings
1. Conversion to uppercase All the characters of the strings specified are converted to upper case.
Example:
print (toupper(c("Learn Code", "hI")))
2. Conversion to lowercase All the characters of the strings specified are converted to lowercase.
Example:
print (tolower(c("Learn Code", "hI")))
Output :

"learn code" "hi"

3. casefold() function All the characters of the strings specified are converted to lowercase or uppercase according to the arguments in casefold(…, upper=TRUE).

Examples:

```
print (casefold(c("Learn Code", "hI"), upper = TRUE)))
```

Output :

"LEARN CODE" "HI"
