

# The LISP-STAT Reference Manual

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Statistical Computing in Common Lisp, version 1.2.0

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# 1 Systems

The main system appears first, followed by any subsystem dependency.

## 1.1 lisp-stat

A statistical computing environment for Common Lisp

### Long Name

Statistical Computing in Common Lisp

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### Home Page

<https://lisp-stat.dev/>

### Source Control

(GIT <https://github.com/Lisp-Stat/lisp-stat.git>)

### Bug Tracker

<https://github.com/Lisp-Stat/lisp-stat/issues>

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### Long Description

The Lisp-Stat system is an umbrella for a few projects and provides a unified interface for working with statistics. The general rule is that Lisp-Stat may depend on other libraries, for example data-frame, but not the other way around. Lisp-Stat provides its own user package, LS-USER, which imports CL as well as the symbols we need from the other libraries. You should always do your work in the LS-USER package, and not in CL-USER.

**Version** 1.2.0

### Dependencies

- alexandria (system).
- alexandria+ (system).
- array-operations (system).
- data-frame (system).
- distributions (system).
- dexador (system).
- dfio (system).
- num-utils (system).
- select (system).
- statistics (system).
- org.tfeb.conduit-packages (system).

**Source** [lisp-stat.asd], page 7.

### Child Components

- [pkgdcls.lisp], page 7 (file).
- [license], page 8 (file).
- [base], page 5 (module).
- [docs], page 5 (module).
- [ls-init.lisp], page 7 (file).



## 2 Modules

Modules are listed depth-first from the system components tree.

### 2.1 lisp-stat/base

**Source** [lisp-stat.asd], page 7.

**Parent Component**

[lisp-stat], page 3 (system).

**Child Component**

[variables.lisp], page 7 (file).

### 2.2 lisp-stat/docs

**Source** [lisp-stat.asd], page 7.

**Parent Component**

[lisp-stat], page 3 (system).

**Child Component**

[doc-strings.lisp], page 7 (file).



## 3 Files

Files are sorted by type and then listed depth-first from the systems components trees.

### 3.1 Lisp

#### 3.1.1 lisp-stat/lisp-stat.asd

**Source** [lisp-stat.asd], page 7.

**Parent Component**

[lisp-stat], page 3 (system).

**ASDF Systems**

[lisp-stat], page 3.

#### 3.1.2 lisp-stat/pkgdcls.lisp

**Source** [lisp-stat.asd], page 7.

**Parent Component**

[lisp-stat], page 3 (system).

**Packages**

- [lisp-stat], page 9.
- [ls-user], page 9.

#### 3.1.3 lisp-stat/base/variables.lisp

**Source** [lisp-stat.asd], page 7.

**Parent Component**

[base], page 5 (module).

**Public Interface**

- [def], page 11 (macro).
- [savevar], page 11 (function).
- [undef-var], page 11 (function).
- [variables], page 11 (function).

**Internals**

- [\*variables\*], page 11 (special variable).
- [save-obj], page 15 (generic function).

#### 3.1.4 lisp-stat/docs/doc-strings.lisp

**Source** [lisp-stat.asd], page 7.

**Parent Component**

[docs], page 5 (module).

#### 3.1.5 lisp-stat/ls-init.lisp

**Source** [lisp-stat.asd], page 7.

**Parent Component**

[lisp-stat], page 3 (system).

**Internals** [setup-ls-translations], page 15 (function).

## 3.2 Static

### 3.2.1 lisp-stat/license

**Source** [lisp-stat.asd], page 7.

**Parent Component**

[lisp-stat], page 3 (system).

## 4 Packages

Packages are listed by definition order.

### 4.1 lisp-stat

**Source** [pkgdcls.lisp], page 7.

#### Public Interface

- [def], page 11 (macro).
- [savevar], page 11 (function).
- [undef-var], page 11 (function).
- [variables], page 11 (function).

#### Internals

- [\*variables\*], page 11 (special variable).
- [save-obj], page 15 (generic function).
- [setup-ls-translations], page 15 (function).

### 4.2 ls-user

**Source** [pkgdcls.lisp], page 7.

#### Internals

- [iris], page 12 (special variable).
- [mtcars], page 12 (special variable).
- [plant-growth], page 12 (special variable).
- [tooth-growth], page 13 (special variable).
- [usarrests], page 14 (special variable).



## 5 Definitions

Definitions are sorted by export status, category, package, and then by lexicographic order.

### 5.1 Public Interface

#### 5.1.1 Macros

**def** (*name value &optional documentation*) [Macro]  
 Define a data variable  
 VALUE is not evaluated and must be a symbol. Assigns the value of FORM to VALUE and adds VALUE to the list \*VARIABLES\* of def'ed variables. Returns VALUE. If VALUE is already bound and the global variable \*ASK-ON-REDEFINE\* is not nil then you are asked if you want to redefine the variable.  
**Package** [lisp-stat], page 9.  
**Source** [variables.lisp], page 7.

#### 5.1.2 Ordinary functions

**savevar** (*vars file &optional suffix*) [Function]  
 VARS is a symbol or a list of symbols. FILE is a string (or a symbol whose print name is used) not ending in SUFFIX (defaults to ".lisp"). The VARS and their current values are written to the file FILE.lisp in a form suitable for use with the load command. NOTE: Ensure VARS doesn't contain CLOS objects that don't have a SAVE-OBJ method. Example (savevar 'urban "urban")  
**Package** [lisp-stat], page 9.  
**Source** [variables.lisp], page 7.

**undef-var** (*v*) [Function]  
 Remove V from the system  
 If V is the symbol of a defined variable the variable it is unbound and removed from the list of defined variables. If V is a list of variable names each is unbound and removed. Returns V. Example: (undef 'urban)  
**Package** [lisp-stat], page 9.  
**Source** [variables.lisp], page 7.

**variables** () [Function]  
 Returns a list of the names of all def'ed variables.  
**Package** [lisp-stat], page 9.  
**Source** [variables.lisp], page 7.

### 5.2 Internals

#### 5.2.1 Special variables

**\*variables\*** [Special Variable]  
**Package** [lisp-stat], page 9.  
**Source** [variables.lisp], page 7.

**iris**

[Special Variable]

Edgar Anderson's Iris Data

## Description

This famous (Fisher's or Anderson's) iris data set gives the measurements in centimeters of the variables sepal length and width and petal length and width, respectively, for 50 flowers from each of 3 species of iris. The species are Iris setosa, versicolor, and virginica.

## Source

Fisher, R. A. (1937) The use of multiple measurements in taxonomic problems. *Annals of Eugenics*, 7, Part II, 179–188. The data were collected by Anderson, Edgar (1937). The irises of the Gaspe Peninsula, *Bulletin of the American Iris Society*, 79, 2–7

## References

Becker, R. A., Chambers, J. M. and Wilks, A. R. (1988) *The New S Language*. Wadsworth & Brooks/Cole. (has iris3 as iris.)

## Examples (from R)

```
dni3 <- dimnames(iris3)
ii <- data.frame(matrix(aperm(iris3, c(1,3,2)), ncol = 4,
dimnames = list(NULL, sub(" L.", ".Length", sub(" W.", ".Width", dni3[[2]]))), Species =
gl(3, 50, labels = sub("S", "s", sub("V", "v", dni3[[3]])))) all.equal(ii, iris) # TRUE
```

**Package** [ls-user], page 9.

**mtcars**

[Special Variable]

Motor Trend Car Road Tests

## Description

The data was extracted from the 1974 Motor Trend US magazine, and comprises fuel consumption and 10 aspects of automobile design and performance for 32 automobiles (1973–74 models).

## Note

Henderson and Velleman (1981) comment in a footnote to Table 1: ‘Hocking [original transcriber]’s noncrucial coding of the Mazda’s rotary engine as a straight six-cylinder engine and the Porsche’s flat engine as a V engine, as well as the inclusion of the diesel Mercedes 240D, have been retained to enable direct comparisons to be made with previous analyses.’

## Source

Henderson and Velleman (1981), Building multiple regression models interactively. *Biometrics*, 37, 391–411.

**Package** [ls-user], page 9.

**plant-growth**

[Special Variable]

Results from an Experiment on Plant Growth

## Description

Results from an experiment to compare yields (as measured by dried weight of plants) obtained under a control and two different treatment conditions.

**Format**

A data frame of 30 cases on 2 variables.

[, 1] weight numeric

[, 2] group factor

The levels of group are ‘ctrl’, ‘trt1’, and ‘trt2’.

**Source**

Dobson, A. J. (1983) An Introduction to Statistical Modelling. London: Chapman and Hall.

**Examples (from R)**

```
## One factor ANOVA example from Dobson's book, cf. Table 7.4: require(stats); require(graphics)
boxplot(weight ~ group, data = PlantGrowth, main = "PlantGrowth data", ylab = "Dried
weight of plants", col = "lightgray",
notch = TRUE, varwidth = TRUE)
anova(lm(weight ~ group, data = PlantGrowth))
```

**Package** [ls-user], page 9.

**tooth-growth**

[Special Variable]

The Effect of Vitamin C on Tooth Growth in Guinea Pigs

**Description**

The response is the length of odontoblasts (cells responsible for tooth growth) in 60 guinea pigs. Each animal received one of three dose levels of vitamin C (0.5, 1, and 2 mg/day) by one of two delivery methods, orange juice or ascorbic acid (a form of vitamin C and coded as VC).

**Format**

A data frame with 60 observations on 3 variables.

[,1] len numeric Tooth length

[,2] supp factor Supplement type (VC or OJ).

[,3] dose numeric Dose in milligrams/day

**Source**

C. I. Bliss (1952). The Statistics of Bioassay. Academic Press.

**References**

- McNeil, D. R. (1977). Interactive Data Analysis. New York: Wiley.
- Crampton, E. W. (1947). The growth of the odontoblast of the incisor teeth as a criterion of vitamin C intake of the guinea pig. The Journal of Nutrition, 33(5), 491–504. doi: 10.1093/jn/33.5.491.

**Examples**

```
require(graphics)
```

```
coplot(len ~ dose | supp, data = ToothGrowth, panel = panel.smooth, xlab = "ToothGrowth
data: length vs dose, given type of supplement")
```

**Package** [ls-user], page 9.

**usarrests**

[Special Variable]

Violent Crime Rates by US State

## Description

This data set contains statistics, in arrests per 100,000 residents, for assault, murder, and rape in each of the 50 US states in 1973. Also given is the percent of the population living in urban areas.

## Note

USArests contains the data as in McNeil's monograph. For the UrbanPop percentages, a review of the table (No. 21) in the Statistical Abstracts 1975 reveals a transcription error for Maryland (and that McNeil used the same "round to even" rule that R's round() uses), as found by Daniel S Coven (Arizona).

See the example below on how to correct the error and improve accuracy for the '<n>.5' percentages.

## Source

World Almanac and Book of facts 1975. (Crime rates).  
 Statistical Abstracts of the United States 1975, p.20, (Urban rates), possibly available as  
<https://books.google.ch/books?id=zl9qAAAAMAAJ&pg=PA20>.

## References

McNeil, D. R. (1977) Interactive Data Analysis. New York: Wiley.

## Examples

(summary usarrests)

```
;; Difference between 'USArests' and its correction
(which usarrests:x3 :predicate (lambda (x) (string= "Maryland" x))) ; #(19) (select usarrests
19 'urbanpop) ; 67, the value transcribed incorrectly (setf (elt usarrests:urbanpop 19) 76.6)
; change to the correct value
```

```
;; correct rounding errors of +/- 0.5 to restore the original <n>.5 percentages (map nil (lambda
(x)
(setf (elt usarrests:urbanpop x)
(+ 0.5 (elt usarrests:urbanpop x))))
(which usarrests:x3 :predicate (lambda (x)
(or (string= "Colorado" x)
(string= "Florida" x)
(string= "Mississippi" x)
(string= "Wyoming" x)))))

(map nil (lambda (x)
(setf (elt usarrests:urbanpop x)
(- 0.5 (elt usarrests:urbanpop x))))
(which usarrests:x3 :predicate (lambda (x)
```

```
(or (string= "Nebraska" x)
    (string= "Pennsylvania" x))))
```

**Package** [ls-user], page 9.

### 5.2.2 Ordinary functions

**setup-ls-translations ()**

[Function]

**Package** [lisp-stat], page 9.

**Source** [ls-init.lisp], page 7.

### 5.2.3 Generic functions

**save-obj (*data*)**

[Generic Function]

Save data object

**Package** [lisp-stat], page 9.

**Source** [variables.lisp], page 7.



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