Subsetting Data in R

Introduction to R for Public Health Researchers

Overview

We showed one way to read data into R using read_csv and read.csv. In this module, we will show you how to:

- 1. Select specific elements of an object by an index or logical condition
- 2. Renaming columns of a data.frame
- 3. Subset rows of a data.frame
- 4. Subset columns of a data.frame
- 5. Add/remove new columns to a data.frame
- 6. Order the columns of a data.frame
- 7. Order the rows of a data.frame

Setup

We will show you how to do each operation in base R then show you how to use the dplyr package to do the same operation (if applicable).

Many resources on how to use dplyr exist and are straightforward:

- https://cran.rstudio.com/web/packages/dplyr/vignettes/
- https://stat545-ubc.github.io/block009_dplyr-intro.html
- https://www.datacamp.com/courses/ dplyr-data-manipulation-r-tutorial

The dplyr package also interfaces well with tibbles.

Select specific elements using an index

Often you only want to look at subsets of a data set at any given time. As a review, elements of an R object are selected using the brackets ([and]).

For example, x is a vector of numbers and we can select the second element of x using the brackets and an index (2):

```
x = c(1, 4, 2, 8, 10)
x[2]
```

[1] 4

Select specific elements using an index

We can select the fifth or second AND fifth elements below:

```
x = c(1, 2, 4, 8, 10)
x[5]
[1] 10
x[c(2,5)]
[1] 2 10
```

Subsetting by deletion of entries

You can put a minus (-) before integers inside brackets to remove these indices from the data.

```
x[-2] # all but the second
```

```
[1] 1 4 8 10
```

Note that you have to be careful with this syntax when dropping more than ${\bf 1}$ element:

```
x[-c(1,2,3)] # drop first 3
```

[1] 8 10

```
# x[-1:3] # shorthand. R sees as -1 to 3 x[-(1:3)] # needs parentheses
```

```
[1] 8 10
```

Select specific elements using logical operators

What about selecting rows based on the values of two variables? We use logical statements. Here we select only elements of $\mathbf x$ greater than 2:

```
Х
   1 2 4 8 10
[1]
x > 2
[1] FALSE FALSE TRUE
                     TRUF.
                            TRUE
x[x > 2]
[1]
```

Select specific elements using logical operators

You can have multiple logical conditions using the following:

```
► & : AND
► I : OR
```

```
x[x > 2 & x < 5]
```

```
[1] 4
```

```
x[x > 5 | x == 2]
```

```
[1] 2 8 10
```

which function

The which functions takes in logical vectors and returns the index for the elements where the logical value is TRUE.

```
which (x > 5 | x == 2) # returns index
[1] 2 4 5
x[ which(x > 5 | x == 2) ]
[1] 2 8 10
x[x > 5 | x == 2]
[1] 2 8 10
```

Creating a data.frame to work with

Here we use one of the datasets that comes with R called mtcars create a toy data.frame named df using random data:

```
data(mtcars)
df = mtcars
tbl = as.tbl(df)
```

Renaming Columns

Renaming Columns of a data.frame: base R

We can use the colnames function to directly reassign column names of df:

```
colnames(df)[1:3] = c("MPG", "CYL", "DISP")
head(df)
```

```
MPG CYL DISP hp drat wt qsec vs am
Mazda RX4
               21.0
                      6 160 110 3.90 2.620 16.46 0 1
Mazda RX4 Wag 21.0 6 160 110 3.90 2.875 17.02
                                               0 1
Datsun 710 22.8
                                               1 1
                      4 108 93 3.85 2.320 18.61
Hornet 4 Drive 21.4
                      6 258 110 3.08 3.215 19.44
                                               1 0
Hornet Sportabout 18.7
                                                  0
                      8 360 175 3.15 3.440 17.02
                18.1
Valiant
                      6 225 105 2.76 3.460 20.22
                                                 0
```

```
colnames(df)[1:3] = c("mpg", "cyl", "disp") #reset
```

Renaming Columns of a data.frame: base R

We can assign the column names, change the ones we want, and then re-assign the column names:

```
cn = colnames(df)
cn[ cn == "drat"] = "DRAT"
colnames(df) = cn
head(df)
```

```
mpg cyl disp hp DRAT wt qsec vs am
               21.0
                     6 160 110 3.90 2.620 16.46 0 1
Mazda RX4
Mazda RX4 Wag 21.0 6 160 110 3.90 2.875 17.02 0 1
Datsun 710 22.8
                     4 108 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1 1
Hornet 4 Drive 21.4
                     6 258 110 3.08 3.215 19.44
                                               1 0
Hornet Sportabout 18.7
                     8 360 175 3.15 3.440 17.02
                                               0 0
Valiant
               18.1
                                                 0
                       225 105 2.76 3.460 20.22
```

```
colnames(df)[ colnames(df) == "DRAT"] = "drat" #reset
```

library(dplyr)

Note, when loading dplyr, it says objects can be "masked". That means if you use a function defined in 2 places, it uses the one that is loaded in **last**.

For example, if we print filter, then we see at the bottom namespace:dplyr, which means when you type filter, it will use the one from the dplyr package.

```
filter
```

```
function (.data, ...)
{
    UseMethod("filter")
}
<environment: namespace:dplyr>
```

A filter function exists by default in the stats package, however. If you want to make sure you use that one, you use PackageName::Function with the colon-colon ("::") operator.

```
head(stats::filter,2)
```

```
1 function (x, filter, method = c("convolution", "recursive
2 sides = 2L, circular = FALSE, init = NULL)
```

This is important when loading many packages, and you may have some conflicts/masking:

To rename columns in dplyr, you use the rename command

```
df = dplyr::rename(df, MPG = mpg)
head(df)
```

```
MPG cyl disp hp drat wt qsec vs am Mazda RX4 21.0 6 160 110 3.90 2.620 16.46 0 1 Mazda RX4 Wag 21.0 6 160 110 3.90 2.875 17.02 0 1 Datsun 710 22.8 4 108 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1 1 Hornet 4 Drive 21.4 6 258 110 3.08 3.215 19.44 1 0 Hornet Sportabout 18.7 8 360 175 3.15 3.440 17.02 0 0 Valiant 18.1 6 225 105 2.76 3.460 20.22 1 0
```

```
df = dplyr::rename(df, mpg = MPG) # reset
```

Subsetting Columns

Subset columns of a data.frame:

We can grab the carb column using the \$ operator.

df\$carb

[1] 4 4 1 1 2 1 4 2 2 4 4 3 3 3 4 4 4 1 2 1 1 2 2 4 2 1 2

Subset columns of a data.frame:

df[, 11]

df[, "carb"]

We can also subset a data.frame using the bracket [,] subsetting.

For data.frames and matrices (2-dimensional objects), the brackets are [rows, columns] subsetting. We can grab the x column using the index of the column or the column name ("carb")

```
[1] 4 4 1 1 2 1 4 2 2 4 4 3 3 3 4 4 4 1 2 1 1 2 2 4 2 1 2
```

```
[1] 4 4 1 1 2 1 4 2 2 4 4 3 3 3 4 4 4 1 2 1 1 2 2 4 2 1 2
```

Biggest difference between tbl and data.frame:

Mostly, tbl (tibbles) are the same as data.frames, except they don't print all lines. When subsetting only one column using brackets, a data.frame will return a vector, but a tbl will return a

```
tbl
```

```
df[, 1]
```

```
[1] 21.0 21.0 22.8 21.4 18.7 18.1 14.3 24.4 22.8 19.2 17.8
[15] 10.4 10.4 14.7 32.4 30.4 33.9 21.5 15.5 15.2 13.3 19.3
```

```
[29] 15.8 19.7 15.0 21.4
```

A tibble: 32×1

mpg <dbl> 21.0 21.0

```
tbl[, 1]
```

Subset columns of a data.frame:

We can select multiple columns using multiple column names:

```
df[, c("mpg", "cyl")]
```

		7
	mpg	сут
Mazda RX4	21.0	6
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6
Datsun 710	22.8	4
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8
Valiant	18.1	6
Duster 360	14.3	8
Merc 240D	24.4	4
Merc 230	22.8	4
Merc 280	19.2	6
Merc 280C	17.8	6
Merc 450SE	16.4	8
Merc 450SL	17.3	8

Subset columns of a data.frame: dplyr

The select command from dplyr allows you to subset

select(df, mpg)

	mpg
Mazda RX4	21.0
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0
Datsun 710	22.8
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4
Hornet Sportabout	18.7
Valiant	18.1
Duster 360	14.3
Merc 240D	24.4
Merc 230	22.8
Merc 280	19.2
Merc 280C	17.8
Merc 450SE	16.4
Merc 450SL	17.3

Select columns of a data.frame: dplyr

The select command from dplyr allows you to subset columns of

select(df, mpg, cyl)

	mpg	CvI
Mazda RX4	21.0	•
Mazua na4	21.0	O
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6
Datsun 710	22.8	4
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8
Valiant	18.1	6
Duster 360	14.3	8
Merc 240D	24.4	4
Merc 230	22.8	4
Merc 280	19.2	6
Merc 280C	17.8	6
Merc 450SE	16.4	8
Merc 450SL	17.3	8

Subsetting Rows

Subset rows of a data.frame with indices:

Let's select **rows** 1 and 3 from df using brackets:

```
df[c(1, 3),]
```

```
mpg cyl disp hp drat wt qsec vs am gear came Mazda RX4 21.0 6 160 110 3.90 2.62 16.46 0 1 4 Datsun 710 22.8 4 108 93 3.85 2.32 18.61 1 1 4
```

Subset rows of a data.frame:

Lincoln Continental 10.4

Fiat 128

Honda Civic

Toyota Corolla

Let's select the rows of df where the mpg column is greater than 20 or is less than 14. Without any index for columns, all columns are returned:

```
df[ df$mpg > 20 | df$mpg < 14, ]
```

	mpg	Сут	атър	пр	ar a c	w c	daec	۷ ۵
Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1
Merc 240D	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1
Merc 230	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1
Cadillac Fleetwood	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0

32.4

30.4

33.9

mng cyl dign hn drat

8 460.0 215 3.00 5.424 17.82

66 4.08 2.200 19.47

52 4.93 1.615 18.52

65 4.22 1.835 19.90

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Subset rows of a data.frame:

We can subset both rows and colums at the same time:

```
df[ df$mpg > 20 | df$mpg < 14, c("cyl", "hp")]</pre>
```

	cyl	hp	
Mazda RX4	6	110	
Mazda RX4 Wag	6	110	
Datsun 710	4	93	
Hornet 4 Drive	6	110	
Merc 240D	4	62	
Merc 230	4	95	
Cadillac Fleetwood	8	205	
Lincoln Continental	8	215	
Fiat 128	4	66	
Honda Civic	4	52	
Toyota Corolla	4	65	
Toyota Corona	4	97	
Camaro Z28	8	245	

Subset rows of a data.frame: dplyr

The command in dplyr for subsetting rows is filter. Try ?filter

```
filter(df, mpg > 20 | mpg < 14)
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	${\tt drat}$	wt	qsec	٧s	\mathtt{am}	gear	carb
1	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
2	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
3	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
4	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
5	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2
6	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2
7	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0	0	3	4
8	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0	0	3	4
9	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1
10	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2
11	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1
12	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	1

Subset rows of a data.frame: dplyr

By default, you can separate conditions by commas, and filter assumes these statements are joined by &

```
filter(df, mpg > 20 & cyl == 4)
```

```
disp
                 hp drat wt qsec vs am gear carb
   mpg cyl
                 93 3.85 2.320 18.61
  22.8
         4 108.0
2 24.4 4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00 1
3
 22.8 4 140.8
                 95 3.92 3.150 22.90 1
4
 32.4 4 78.7
                 66 4.08 2.200 19.47 1
                                           4
5 30.4 4 75.7 52 4.93 1.615 18.52 1 1
6
 33.9
        4 71.1 65 4.22 1.835 19.90 1
 21.5
        4 120.1 97 3.70 2.465 20.01 1
                                           3
8
 27.3
         4 79.0 66 4.08 1.935 18.90
                                           4
  26.0
        4 120.3 91 4.43 2.140 16.70
                                           5
                                           5
10 30.4
        4 95.1 113 3.77 1.513 16.90
11 21.4
         4 121.0 109 4.11 2.780 18.60
                                           4
```

filter(df mpg > 20 cyl -- 4)

Combining filter and select

You can combine filter and select to subset the rows and columns, respectively, of a data.frame:

```
select(filter(df, mpg > 20 & cyl == 4), cyl, hp)
```

```
cyl
       hp
     4 93
2
     4 62
3
    4 95
4
    4 66
5
    4 52
6
    4 65
     4 97
     4 66
8
9
     4 91
10
    4 113
11
    4 109
```

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Assigning Temporary Objects

One can also create temporary objects and reassign them:

```
df2 = filter(df, mpg > 20 & cyl == 4)
df2 = select(df2, cyl, hp)
```

Using the pipe (comes with dplyr):

Recently, the pipe %>% makes things such as this much more readable. It reads left side "pipes" into right side. RStudio CMD/Ctrl + Shift + M shortcut. Pipe df into filter, then pipe that into select:

```
df \%\% filter(mpg > 20 & cyl == 4) \%\% select(cyl, hp)
```

1	4	93	
2	4	62	
3	4	95	
4	4	66	
5	4	52	
6	4	65	
7	4	97	

4 66 4 91

8

10

cyl

Adding/Removing Columns

Adding new columns to a data.frame: base R

You can add a new column, called newcol to df, using the \$ operator:

```
df$newcol = df$wt/2.2
head(df,3)
```

```
      mpg
      cyl
      disp
      hp
      drat
      wt
      qsec
      vs
      am
      gear

      Mazda RX4
      21.0
      6
      160
      110
      3.90
      2.620
      16.46
      0
      1
      4

      Mazda RX4 Wag
      21.0
      6
      160
      110
      3.90
      2.875
      17.02
      0
      1
      4

      Datsun 710
      22.8
      4
      108
      93
      3.85
      2.320
      18.61
      1
      1
      4
```

Removing columns to a data.frame: base R

You can remove a column by assigning to NULL:

```
df$newcol = NULL
```

or selecing only the columns that were not newcol:

```
df = df[, colnames(df) != "newcol"]
head(df,3)
```

```
      mpg cyl disp
      hp drat
      wt qsec
      vs am geat

      Mazda RX4
      21.0
      6
      160
      110
      3.90
      2.620
      16.46
      0
      1
      4

      Mazda RX4 Wag
      21.0
      6
      160
      110
      3.90
      2.875
      17.02
      0
      1
      4

      Datsun 710
      22.8
      4
      108
      93
      3.85
      2.320
      18.61
      1
      1
      4
```

Adding new columns to a data.frame: base R

You can also "column bind" a data.frame with a vector (or series of vectors), using the cbind command:

```
cbind(df, newcol = df$wt/2.2)
```

Mazda DY/

Duster 360

Merc 240D

Mazua nn4	21.0	O	100.0	110	3.90	2.020	10.40	U
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0
Valiant	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1

14.3

24.4

mpg cyl disp hp drat wt qsec vs

8 360.0 245 3.21 3.570 15.84

4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00 1

 Merc 230
 22.8
 4 140.8
 95 3.92 3.150 22.90 1

 Merc 280
 19.2
 6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.30 1

 Merc 280C
 17.8
 6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.90 1

 Merc 450SE
 16.4
 8 275.8 180 3.07 4.070 17.40 0

Adding columns to a data.frame: dplyr

10 19.2

11 17.8

12 16.4

The mutate function in dplyr allows you to add or replace columns of a data.frame:

```
print({df = mutate(df, newcol = wt/2.2)})
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb	1
1	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4	1.19
2	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4	1.30
3	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1	1.05
4	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1	1.46
_	10 7	0	260 0	175	2 15	2 110	17 00	^	Λ	2	2	1 54

4	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1	1.46
5	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2	1.56
6	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1	1.5
7	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4	1.62

8 24.4 4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00 2 1.4 4

6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.30

167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.90

8 275.8 180 3.07 4.070 17.40

9 22.8 4 140.8 95 3.92 3.150 22.90 2 1.43

4

4

3

0

1.5

1.56

1.8

Removing columns to a data.frame: dplyr

The NULL method is still very common.

The select function can remove a column with a minus (-), much like removing rows:

```
select(df, -newcol)
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	${\tt drat}$	wt	qsec	٧s	\mathtt{am}	gear	carb
1	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
2	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
3	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
4	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
5	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
6	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1
7	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4
8	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2
9	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2
10	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1	0	4	4
11	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.90	1	0	4	4

Removing columns to a data.frame: dplyr

Remove newcol and drat

```
select(df, -one_of("newcol", "drat"))
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	wt	qsec	٧s	\mathtt{am}	gear	carb
1	21.0	6	160.0	110	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
2	21.0	6	160.0	110	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
3	22.8	4	108.0	93	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
4	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
5	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
6	18.1	6	225.0	105	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1
7	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4
8	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2
9	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2
10	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.440	18.30	1	0	4	4
11	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.440	18.90	1	0	4	4
12	16.4	8	275.8	180	4.070	17.40	0	0	3	3
13	17.3	8	275.8	180	3.730	17.60	0	0	3	3
	45.0		075 0	400	0 700	40.00	_	_		_



Ordering the columns of a data.frame: base R

We can use the colnames function to get the column names of df and then put newcol first by subsetting df using brackets:

```
cn = colnames(df)
df[, c("newcol", cn[cn != "newcol"])]
```

```
newcol mpg cyl
                  disp hp drat wt qsec vs am gear
1.1909091 21.0
                6 160.0 110 3.90 2.620 16.46
```

1.3068182 21.0 6 160.0 110 3.90 2.875 17.02

3 1.0545455 22.8 4 108.0 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1 1

1.4613636 21.4 6 258.0 110 3.08 3.215 19.44 1 4

5 1.5636364 18.7 8 360.0 175 3.15 3.440 17.02

1.5727273 18.1 6 225.0 105 2.76 3.460 20.22 1

1.6227273 14.3 8 360.0 245 3.21 3.570 15.84

8 1.4500000 24.4 4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00

4 140.8 95 3.92 3.150 22.90 9 1.4318182 22.8 10 1.5636364 19.2 6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.30

6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.90

11 1.5636364 17.8

Ordering the columns of a data.frame: dplyr

The select function can reorder columns. Put newcol first, then select the rest of columns:

```
select(df, newcol, everything())
```

10 1.5636364 19.2

11 1.5636364 17.8

12 1.8500000 16.4

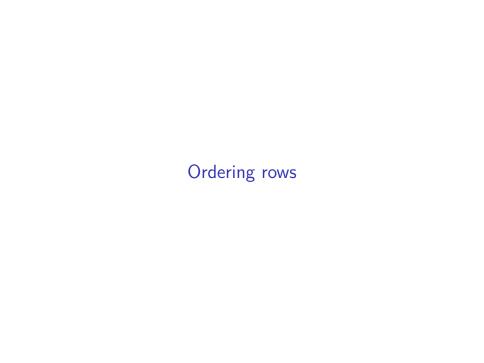
```
newcol mpg cyl
                     disp hp drat wt qsec vs am gear
  1.1909091 21.0
                   6 160.0 110 3.90 2.620 16.46
2
  1.3068182 21.0
                   6 160.0 110 3.90 2.875 17.02 0
3
  1.0545455 22.8
                   4 108.0 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1
4
  1.4613636 21.4
                   6 258.0 110 3.08 3.215 19.44
5
  1.5636364 18.7
                   8 360.0 175 3.15 3.440 17.02
  1.5727273 18.1
                   6 225.0 105 2.76 3.460 20.22 1
  1.6227273 14.3
                   8 360.0 245 3.21 3.570 15.84 0
8 1.4500000 24.4
                   4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00
  1.4318182 22.8
                   4 140.8 95 3.92 3.150 22.90 1
```

6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.30

0

6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.90

8 275.8 180 3.07 4.070 17.40



Ordering the rows of a data.frame: base R

We use the order function on a vector or set of vectors, in increasing order:

8 472.0 205 2.93 5.250 17.98

8 304.0 150 3.15 3.435 17.30

8 318.0 150 2.76 3.520 16.87 0

8 351.0 264 4.22 3.170 14.50 0

8 275.8 180 3.07 4.070 17.40

8 275.8 180 3.07 3.730 17.60

```
df[ order(df$mpg), ]
```

15 10.4

23 15.2

22 15.5

29 15.8

12 16.4

13 17.3

10	10.4	Ö	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	U	U	3	4 4	2.40
24	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4 :	1.74
7	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4 :	1.62
17	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0	0	3	4 2	2.42
31	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0	1	5	8 :	1.62
14	15.2	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.780	18.00	0	0	3	3 :	1.71

mpg cyl disp hp drat wt qsec vs am gear carb

4 2.38

2 1.56

2 1.60

4 1.4

3 1.8

3 1.69

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Ordering the rows of a data.frame: base R

The decreasing argument will order it in decreasing order:

df[order(df\$mpg, decreasing = TRUE),]

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	${\tt drat}$	wt	qsec	٧s	\mathtt{am}	gear	carb	:
20	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1	0.8
18	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1	1.0
19	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2	0.7
28	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	2	0.6
26	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1	0.8
27	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	2	0.9
8	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2	1.4
3	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1	1.0
9	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2	1.4
21	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	1	1.1
4	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1	1.4
32	21.4	4	121.0	109	4.11	2.780	18.60	1	1	4	2	1.2

6 160.0 110 3.90 2.620 16.46

Ordering the rows of a data.frame: base R

You can pass multiple vectors, and must use the negative (using -) to mix decreasing and increasing orderings (sort increasing on x and decreasing on y):

```
df[ order(df$mpg, -df$hp), ]
```

14 15.2

23 15.2

22 15.5

29 15.8

12 16.4

16	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0	0	3	4	2.46
15	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0	0	3	4	2.38
24	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4	1.74
7	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4	1.62

17 14.7 8 440.0 230 3.23 5.345 17.42 8 301.0 335 3.54 3.570 14.60 31 15.0 5 8 1.63

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3

0

3 1.7

2 1.56

2 1.60

3 1.8

1.44

8 275.8 180 3.07 3.780 18.00

8 304.0 150 3.15 3.435 17.30

8 318.0 150 2.76 3.520 16.87

8 351.0 264 4.22 3.170 14.50

275.8 180 3.07 4.070 17.40

4 2.45

disp hp drat qsec vs am gear carb mpg cyl wt

Ordering the rows of a data.frame: dplyr

The arrange function can reorder rows By default, arrange orders in ascending order:

```
arrange(df, mpg)
```

15.2

15.2

15.5

10 15.8

11 16.4

12 17.3

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2	10 /	Q	460 O	215	3 00	5 /12/	17 82	Λ	Λ	3	1	2 //
2	10.4	O	400.0	210	3.00	0.424	17.02	U	U	3	7	2.40
3	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4	1.74
4	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4	1.62
5	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0	0	3	4	2.42
6	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0	1	5	8	1.62

8 472.0 205 2.93 5.250 17.98

8 275.8 180 3.07 3.780 18.00

8 304.0 150 3.15 3.435 17.30

8 318.0 150 2.76 3.520 16.87

8 351.0 264 4.22 3.170 14.50

8 275.8 180 3.07 4.070 17.40

8 275.8 180 3.07 3.730 17.60

mpg cyl disp hp drat wt qsec vs am gear carb

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4 2.38

3 1.7

2 1.50

2 1.60

4 1.4

3 1.8

3 1.69

Ordering the rows of a data.frame: dplyr

Use the desc to arrange the rows in descending order:

arrange(df, desc(mpg))

13 21.0

	_			10.								
	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	٧s	am	gear	carb	1
1	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1	0.83
2	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1	1.00
3	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2	0.73
4	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	2	0.68
5	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1	0.8
6	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	2	0.9
7	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2	1.4
8	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1	1.0
9	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2	1.4
10	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	1	1.1
11	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1	1.4
12	21.4	4	121.0	109	4.11	2.780	18.60	1	1	4	2	1.2
	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	1 33.9 2 32.4 3 30.4	1 33.9 4 2 32.4 4 3 30.4 4 4 30.4 4 5 27.3 4 6 26.0 4 7 24.4 4 8 22.8 4 9 22.8 4 10 21.5 4 11 21.4 6	1 33.9 4 71.1 2 32.4 4 78.7 3 30.4 4 75.7 4 30.4 4 95.1 5 27.3 4 79.0 6 26.0 4 120.3 7 24.4 4 146.7 8 22.8 4 108.0 9 22.8 4 140.8 10 21.5 4 120.1 11 21.4 6 258.0	1 33.9 4 71.1 65 2 32.4 4 78.7 66 3 30.4 4 75.7 52 4 30.4 4 95.1 113 5 27.3 4 79.0 66 6 26.0 4 120.3 91 7 24.4 4 146.7 62 8 22.8 4 108.0 93 9 22.8 4 140.8 95 10 21.5 4 120.1 97 11 21.4 6 258.0 110	1 33.9 4 71.1 65 4.22 2 32.4 4 78.7 66 4.08 3 30.4 4 75.7 52 4.93 4 30.4 4 95.1 113 3.77 5 27.3 4 79.0 66 4.08 6 26.0 4 120.3 91 4.43 7 24.4 4 146.7 62 3.69 8 22.8 4 108.0 93 3.85 9 22.8 4 140.8 95 3.92 10 21.5 4 120.1 97 3.70 11 21.4 6 258.0 110 3.08	1 33.9 4 71.1 65 4.22 1.835 2 32.4 4 78.7 66 4.08 2.200 3 30.4 4 75.7 52 4.93 1.615 4 30.4 4 95.1 113 3.77 1.513 5 27.3 4 79.0 66 4.08 1.935 6 26.0 4 120.3 91 4.43 2.140 7 24.4 4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 8 22.8 4 108.0 93 3.85 2.320 9 22.8 4 140.8 95 3.92 3.150 10 21.5 4 120.1 97 3.70 2.465 11 21.4 6 258.0 110 3.08 3.215	1 33.9 4 71.1 65 4.22 1.835 19.90 2 32.4 4 78.7 66 4.08 2.200 19.47 3 30.4 4 75.7 52 4.93 1.615 18.52 4 30.4 4 95.1 113 3.77 1.513 16.90 5 27.3 4 79.0 66 4.08 1.935 18.90 6 26.0 4 120.3 91 4.43 2.140 16.70 7 24.4 4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00 8 22.8 4 108.0 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 9 22.8 4 140.8 95 3.92 3.150 22.90 10 21.5 4 120.1 97 3.70 2.465 20.01 11 21.4 6 258.0 110 3.08 3.215 19.44	1 33.9 4 71.1 65 4.22 1.835 19.90 1 2 32.4 4 78.7 66 4.08 2.200 19.47 1 3 30.4 4 75.7 52 4.93 1.615 18.52 1 4 30.4 4 95.1 113 3.77 1.513 16.90 1 5 27.3 4 79.0 66 4.08 1.935 18.90 1 6 26.0 4 120.3 91 4.43 2.140 16.70 0 7 24.4 4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00 1 8 22.8 4 108.0 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1 9 22.8 4 140.8 95 3.92 3.150 22.90 1 10 21.5 4 120.1 97 3.70 2.465 20.01 1 11 21.4 6 258.0 110 3.08	1 33.9 4 71.1 65 4.22 1.835 19.90 1 1 2 32.4 4 78.7 66 4.08 2.200 19.47 1 1 3 30.4 4 75.7 52 4.93 1.615 18.52 1 1 4 30.4 4 95.1 113 3.77 1.513 16.90 1 1 5 27.3 4 79.0 66 4.08 1.935 18.90 1 1 6 26.0 4 120.3 91 4.43 2.140 16.70 0 1 7 24.4 4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00 1 0 8 22.8 4 108.0 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1 1 9 22.8 4 140.8 95 3.92 3.150 22.90 1 0 10 21.5 4 120.1 97 3.70 2.465 20.01	1 33.9 4 71.1 65 4.22 1.835 19.90 1 1 4 2 32.4 4 78.7 66 4.08 2.200 19.47 1 1 4 3 30.4 4 75.7 52 4.93 1.615 18.52 1 1 4 4 30.4 4 95.1 113 3.77 1.513 16.90 1 1 5 5 27.3 4 79.0 66 4.08 1.935 18.90 1 1 4 6 26.0 4 120.3 91 4.43 2.140 16.70 0 1 5 7 24.4 4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00 1 0 4 8 22.8 4 108.0 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1 1 4 9 22.8 4 140.8 95 3.92 3.150 22.90 1 0 4	2 32.4 4 78.7 66 4.08 2.200 19.47 1 1 4 1 3 30.4 4 75.7 52 4.93 1.615 18.52 1 1 4 2 4 30.4 4 95.1 113 3.77 1.513 16.90 1 1 5 2 5 27.3 4 79.0 66 4.08 1.935 18.90 1 1 4 1 6 26.0 4 120.3 91 4.43 2.140 16.70 0 1 5 2 7 24.4 4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00 1 0 4 2 8 22.8 4 108.0 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1 1 4 1 9 22.8 4 140.8 95 3.92 3.150 22.90 1 0 4 2 10 21.5 4 120.1 97

160.0 110 3.90 2.620 16.46

Ordering the rows of a data.frame: dplyr

It is a bit more straightforward to mix increasing and decreasing orderings:

8 460.0 215 3.00 5.424 17.82

8 472 0 205 2 93 5 250 17 98

```
arrange(df, mpg, desc(hp))
```

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15.2

15.5

10 15.8

11 16.4

12 17.3

_	10.4	U	712.0	200	2.50	0.200	17.50	U	U	J		2.00
3	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4	1.74
4	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4	1.62
5	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0	0	3	4	2.42
6	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0	1	5	8	1.62
7	15.2	Q	275 8	120	3 07	3 780	18 00	Λ	Λ	3	3	1 7

8 304.0 150 3.15 3.435 17.30 0

8 318.0 150 2.76 3.520 16.87 0

8 351.0 264 4.22 3.170 14.50

8 275.8 180 3.07 4.070 17.40

8 275.8 180 3.07 3.730 17.60

mpg cyl disp hp drat wt qsec vs am gear carb

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42.40

2 1.50

2 1.60

4 1.4

3 1.8

3 1.69

Transmutation

The transmute function in dplyr combines both the mutate and select functions. One can create new columns and keep the only the columns wanted:

```
transmute(df, newcol2 = wt/2.2, mpg, hp)
```

```
newcol2 mpg hp
  1.1909091 21.0 110
1
2 1.3068182 21.0 110
3 1.0545455 22.8 93
 1.4613636 21.4 110
5 1.5636364 18.7 175
6
 1.5727273 18.1 105
7 1.6227273 14.3 245
8 1.4500000 24.4 62
9 1.4318182 22.8 95
10 1.5636364 19.2 123
11 1.5636364 17.8 123
```

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