A very introduction to dyplr

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1 Introduction

You might have observed that some commands showed up in our last tutorial:

- 1. mutate()
- 2. anti_join()
- 3. count()
- 4. arrange()

Each of these commands (and many others, there is an cheatsheet for you) is loaded as we execute library(dplyr). dplyr is part of the tidyverse collection of packages for data science. They make the task to manipulate data easier than if we were using ordinary R commands. dplyr is usually referred as 'a grammar of data manipulation'.

However, please, keep in mind that every task in R might be performed in different ways, using different commands or packages.

We will discuss here some of the packages utilities, not all. If you need further information, please refer to the dplyr website or to the readme at CRAN. Remember that after loading the package, you can always type ?+command to get further information.

2 Using dplyr

2.1 Loading the package

We load the package using the following command:

library(dplyr)