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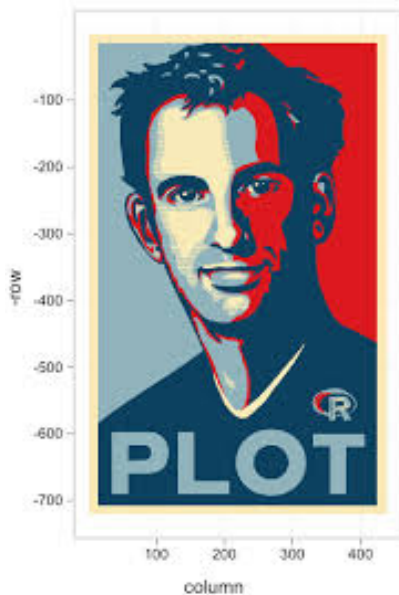
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Overview

- ▶ **dplyr** - data manipulation
- ▶ **magrittr** - pipe operator



Hadley Wickham



dplyr : Grammar of data manipulation

What is dplyr?

- ▶ **dplyr** is mainly authored by Hadley Wickham and Romain Francois. It is designed to be intuitive and easy to learn, thereby making “doing things” in R more user-friendly.
- ▶ **dplyr** is a new package which provides a set of tools for efficiently manipulating datasets in R.
- ▶ **dplyr** is the next iteration of plyr, focussing on only data frames.

(from Hadley Wickham's Vignette)

dplyr : abstract by Hadley Wickham

Hadley Wickham's Abstract

There are three key ideas that underlie **dplyr**:

- 1 Your time is important, so Romain Francois has written the key pieces in **Rcpp** to provide blazing fast performance.

Performance will only get better over time, especially once we figure out the best way to make the most of multiple processors.

dplyr : abstract by Hadley Wickham

- 2 Tabular data is tabular data regardless of where it lives, so you should use the same functions to work with it.

With **dplyr**, anything you can do to a local data frame you can also do to a remote database table.

PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQLite and Google bigquery support is built-in; adding a new backend is a matter of implementing a handful of S3 methods.

dplyr : abstract by Hadley Wickham

- 3 The bottleneck in most data analyses is the time it takes for you to figure out what to do with your data

dplyr makes this easier by having individual functions that correspond to the most common operations.

Functions include `group_by()`, `glimpse()` and the single table verbs. We will have a look at these verbs that we shall see shortly.

Each function does one only thing, but does it well.

Working with dplyr

dplyr focussed on tools for working with data frames (hence the **d** in the name). **dplyr** has three main goals:

- ▶ Identify the most important data manipulation tools needed for data analysis and make them easy to use from R.
- ▶ Provide very fast performance for in-memory data by writing key pieces in C++.
- ▶ Use the same interface to work with data no matter where it's stored, whether in a data frame, a data table or database.

Single table verbs

- ▶ `filter()` (and `slice()`)
- ▶ `arrange()`
- ▶ `select()` (and `rename()`)
- ▶ `distinct()`
- ▶ `mutate()` (and `transmute()`)
- ▶ `summarise()`
- ▶ `sample_n()` and `sample_frac()`

(Also `group_by()` and `glimpse()`)

Tidy Data

- ▶ To make the most of dplyr, Hadley Wickham recommends that you familiarise yourself with the **principles of tidy data**.
- ▶ This will help you get your data into a form that works well with **dplyr**, **ggplot2** and R's many modelling functions.

Tidy Data

Three Principles from Hadley Wickham's paper

1. Each variable forms a column,
2. Each observation forms a row,
3. Each table/file stores data about one kind of observation.

Remark:

The paper “**Tidy Data**” by Hadley Wickham (RStudio) can be downloaded from

<http://vita.had.co.nz/papers/tidy-data.pdf>

Key data structures

The key object in **dplyr** is a `tbl`, a representation of a tabular data structure. Currently dplyr supports:

- ▶ data frames - the most commonly encountered R data structure.
- ▶ data tables - a data structure that is designed for intensive data analysis.

Introduction to dplyr

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When working with data you must:

- Figure out what you want to do.
- Precisely describe what you want in the form of a computer program.
- Execute the code.

The dplyr package makes each of these steps as fast and easy as possible by:

- Elucidating the most common data manipulation operations, so that your options are helpfully constrained when thinking about how to tackle a problem.
- Providing simple functions that correspond to the most common data manipulation verbs, so that you can easily translate your thoughts into code.
- Using efficient data storage backends, so that you spend as little time waiting for the computer as possible.

Installing dplyr

Straightforward R package installation.

```
install.packages("dplyr")  
library(dplyr)
```

```
# Data Set Examples
```

```
# 1. iris
```

```
# 2. mtcars
```

iris data set

```
> names(iris)
[1] "Sepal.Length"
[2] "Sepal.Width"
[3] "Petal.Length"
[4] "Petal.Width"
[5] "Species"
```

mtcars data set

```
> names(mtcars)
[1] "mpg"  "cyl"  "disp" "hp"
[5] "drat" "wt"   "qsec" "vs"
[9] "am"   "gear" "carb"
```


Example Data Sets

```
dim(iris)
```

```
class(iris)
```

```
mode(iris)
```

```
dim(mtcars)
```

```
class(mtcars)
```

```
mode(mtcars)
```

Grouped operations

- ▶ In **dplyr**, you use the `group_by()` function to describe how to break a dataset down into groups of rows.
- ▶ You can then use the resulting object in exactly the same functions as above; they'll automatically work “by group” when the input is a grouped structure.

group_by

group_by:

Group a *tbl* by one or more variables.

Description

Most data operations are useful done on groups defined by variables in the the dataset.

The **group_by** function takes an existing tbl and converts it into a grouped tbl where operations are performed "by group".

The `glimpse()` Function

- ▶ `dplyr` also provides a function `glimpse()` that makes it easy to look at the data in a transposed view.
- ▶ similar to the `str()` (structure) function, but has a few advantages (see `?glimpse`).

The glimpse() Function

```
✓  
> glimpse(iris)  
Variables:  
$ Sepal.Length (dbl) 5.1, 4.9, 4.7, 4.6, 5.0, 5.4, 4  
$ Sepal.Width (dbl) 3.5, 3.0, 3.2, 3.1, 3.6, 3.9, 3  
$ Petal.Length (dbl) 1.4, 1.4, 1.3, 1.5, 1.4, 1.7, 1  
$ Petal.Width (dbl) 0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.4, 0  
$ Species (fctr) setosa, setosa, setosa, setosa  
> |
```

dplyr: Single Table Verbs

dplyr aims to provide a function for each basic verb of data manipulating:

- ▶ `filter()` (and `slice()`)
- ▶ `arrange()`
- ▶ `select()` (and `rename()`)
- ▶ `distinct()`
- ▶ `mutate()` (and `transmute()`)
- ▶ `summarise()`
- ▶ `sample_n()` and `sample_frac()`

Summary Statistics

You can use `summarise()` with aggregate functions, which take a vector of values, and return a single number.

Supports functions in base R like `min()`, `max()`, `mean()`, `sum()`, `sd()`, `median()`, and `IQR()`.

- ▶ `n()`: number of observations in the current group
- ▶ `n_distinct(x)`: count the number of unique values in `x`.

Grouping with the group_by command

```
iris.sp <- group_by(iris, Species)
class(iris.sp)

summarise(iris.sp,
  meanSL = mean(Sepal.Length),
  sdSL = sd(Petal.Length))
```



```
> iris.sp <- group_by(iris, Species)
> class(iris.sp)
[1] "grouped_df" "tbl_df"      "tbl"        "data.frame"
>
> summarise(iris.sp, mean(Sepal.Length), sd(Petal.Length))
Source: local data frame [3 x 3]
```

	Species	mean(Sepal.Length)	sd(Petal.Length)
1	setosa	5.006	0.1736640
2	versicolor	5.936	0.4699110
3	virginica	6.588	0.5518947

```
>
> |
```

```
> summarise(mtcars2, mean(mpg), sd(mpg))
```

```
Source: local data frame [6 x 4]
```

```
Groups: cyl
```

	cyl	am	mean(mpg)	sd(mpg)
1	4	0	22.90000	1.4525839
2	4	1	28.07500	4.4838599
3	6	0	19.12500	1.6317169
4	6	1	20.56667	0.7505553
5	8	0	15.05000	2.7743959
6	8	1	15.40000	0.5656854

```
> |
```

Filter rows with `filter()`

- ▶ `filter()` allows you to select a subset of the rows of a data frame.
- ▶ The first argument is the name of the data frame, and the second and subsequent are filtering expressions evaluated in the context of that data frame.

```
iris.vir1 <- filter(iris,Species=="virginica")

# Species is Virginica OR Petal.length is
# greater than 3.2

iris.vir2 <- filter(iris,
  Species=="virginica" | Petal.Length >3.2)

iris.vir3 <- filter(iris,
  Species=="virginica" & Petal.Length >3.9)
```

Select columns with `select()`

- ▶ Often you work with large datasets with many columns where only a few are actually of interest to you.
- ▶ `select()` allows you to rapidly target on a useful subset using operations that usually only work on numeric variable positions.

Selection Options with `select()`

- `starts_with(x, ignore.case = TRUE)`: names starts with x
- `ends_with(x, ignore.case = TRUE)`: names ends in x
- `contains(x, ignore.case = TRUE)`: selects all variables whose name contains x
- `matches(x, ignore.case = TRUE)`: selects all variables whose name matches expression x
- `num_range("x", 1:5, width = 2)`: selects all variables (numerically) from x0 to x5
- `one_of("x", "y", "z")`: selects variables provided in a character vector.
- `everything()`: selects all variables.

Selection Options with select()

```
> select(iris, ends_with("idth"))
```

	Sepal.Width	Petal.Width
1	3.5	0.2
2	3.0	0.2
3	3.2	0.2
4	3.1	0.2
5	3.6	0.2
6	3.9	0.4
7	3.4	0.3
8	3.4	0.2
9	2.9	0.2
10	3.1	0.1
11	3.7	0.2
12	3.4	0.2
13	3.0	0.1

Selection Options with select()

```
> select(iris, contains("etal"))
```

	Petal.Length	Petal.Width
1	1.4	0.2
2	1.4	0.2
3	1.3	0.2
4	1.5	0.2
5	1.4	0.2
6	1.7	0.4
7	1.4	0.3
8	1.5	0.2
9	1.4	0.2

The Idaho Data Set

```
> glimpse(idaho)
```

Variables:

\$ RT	(fctr)	H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H, H,
\$ SERIALNO	(int)	186, 306, 395, 506, 835, 989, 1861, 2120, 2278, 242
\$ DIVISION	(int)	8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8,
\$ PUMA	(int)	700, 700, 100, 700, 800, 700, 700, 200, 400, 500, 4
\$ REGION	(int)	4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4,
\$ ST	(int)	16, 16, 16, 16, 16, 16, 16, 16, 16, 16, 16, 16, 16, 16, 16,
\$ ADJUST	(int)	1015675, 1015675, 1015675, 1015675, 1015675, 101567
\$ WGTP	(int)	89, 310, 106, 240, 118, 115, 0, 35, 47, 51, 114, 51
\$ NP	(int)	4, 1, 2, 4, 4, 4, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 1, 1, 2, 3,
\$ TYPE	(int)	1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1,
\$ ACR	(int)	1, NA, 1, 1, 2, 1, NA, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, NA, 1, 1,
\$ AGS	(int)	NA, NA, NA, NA, 1, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA,
\$ BDS	(int)	4, 1, 3, 4, 5, 3, NA, 2, 3, 2, 3, 3, 2, NA, 3, 4, 5,
\$ BLD	(int)	2, 7, 2, 2, 2, 2, NA, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 2, NA, 1, 2, 2,
\$ BUS	(int)	2, NA, 2, 2, 2, 2, NA, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, NA, 2, 2,
\$ CONF	(int)	NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA,
\$ ELEP	(int)	180, 60, 70, 40, 250, 130, NA, 40, 2, 20, 50, 100,
\$ FS	(int)	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
\$ FULP	(int)	2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, NA, 480, 2, 2, 2, 2, 600, NA, 2,

Idaho Data Set: Multiple Selections with select()

Remark : Regular Expressions.

```
idaho2 = select(idaho,  
  contains("AX"),  
  starts_with("FK"),  
  starts_with("SM"),  
  ends_with("SP")  
)
```

Dropping Variables with select()

```
# Drop variables
select(iris, -starts_with("Petal"))
select(iris, -ends_with("Width"))
select(iris, -contains("etal"))
select(iris, -matches(".t."))
select(iris, -Petal.Length, -Petal.Width)
```

Ordering Data Sets with `arrange()`

- ▶ `arrange()` works similarly to `filter()` except that instead of filtering or selecting rows, it reorders them.
- ▶ It takes a data frame, and a set of column names (or more complicated expressions) to order by.
- ▶ If you provide more than one column name, each additional column will be used to break ties in the values of preceding columns.
- ▶ Use `desc()` (or `rev()`) to order a column in descending order.

```

>
> arrange(iris, Petal.Length, Petal.Width)

```

	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
1	4.6	3.6	1.0	0.2	setosa
2	4.3	3.0	1.1	0.1	setosa
3	5.8	4.0	1.2	0.2	setosa
4	5.0	3.2	1.2	0.2	setosa
5	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
6	5.5	3.5	1.3	0.2	setosa
7	4.4	3.0	1.3	0.2	setosa
8	4.4	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
9	5.0	3.5	1.3	0.3	setosa
10	4.5	2.3	1.3	0.3	setosa
11	5.4	3.9	1.3	0.4	setosa
12	4.8	3.0	1.4	0.1	setosa
13	4.9	3.6	1.4	0.1	setosa
14	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
15	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	setosa
16	5.0	3.6	1.4	0.2	setosa
17	4.4	2.9	1.4	0.2	setosa
18	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	setosa
19	5.5	4.2	1.4	0.2	setosa

```
> arrange(iris, Petal.Length, rev(Petal.Width))
```

	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
1	4.6	3.6	1.0	0.2	setosa
2	4.3	3.0	1.1	0.1	setosa
3	5.8	4.0	1.2	0.2	setosa
4	5.0	3.2	1.2	0.2	setosa
5	5.4	3.9	1.3	0.4	setosa
6	4.5	2.3	1.3	0.3	setosa
7	4.4	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
8	4.4	3.0	1.3	0.2	setosa
9	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
10	5.5	3.5	1.3	0.2	setosa
11	5.0	3.5	1.3	0.3	setosa
12	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
13	4.8	3.0	1.4	0.1	setosa

Sampling rows with `sample_n()` and `sample_frac()`

- ▶ You can use `sample_n()` and `sample_frac()` to take a random sample of rows, either a fixed number for `sample_n()` or a fixed fraction for `sample_frac()`.

Sampling rows with `sample_n()` and `sample_frac()`

```
> sample_n(iris, 10)
```

	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
12	4.8	3.4	1.6	0.2	setosa
86	6.0	3.4	4.5	1.6	versicolor
137	6.3	3.4	5.6	2.4	virginica
94	5.0	2.3	3.3	1.0	versicolor
56	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	versicolor
36	5.0	3.2	1.2	0.2	setosa
134	6.3	2.8	5.1	1.5	virginica
7	4.6	3.4	1.4	0.3	setosa
35	4.9	3.1	1.5	0.2	setosa
15	5.8	4.0	1.2	0.2	setosa

```
> |
```


Sampling rows with `sample_n()` and `sample_frac()`

```
> sample_frac(iris,0.08)
      Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width   Species
73             6.3         2.5         4.9         1.5 versicolor
51             7.0         3.2         4.7         1.4 versicolor
24             5.1         3.3         1.7         0.5   setosa
139            6.0         3.0         4.8         1.8  virginica
15             5.8         4.0         1.2         0.2   setosa
33             5.2         4.1         1.5         0.1   setosa
62             5.9         3.0         4.2         1.5 versicolor
94             5.0         2.3         3.3         1.0 versicolor
30             4.7         3.2         1.6         0.2   setosa
22             5.1         3.7         1.5         0.4   setosa
39             4.4         3.0         1.3         0.2   setosa
58             4.9         2.4         3.3         1.0 versicolor
> |
```

Sampling rows with `sample_n()` and `sample_frac()`

```
> sample_frac(iris.sp,0.08)
```

```
Source: local data frame [12 x 5]
```

```
Groups: Species
```

	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
1	4.9	3.6	1.4	0.1	setosa
2	5.1	3.8	1.5	0.3	setosa
3	5.0	3.0	1.6	0.2	setosa
4	5.2	4.1	1.5	0.1	setosa
5	5.5	2.5	4.0	1.3	versicolor
6	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	versicolor
7	6.0	3.4	4.5	1.6	versicolor
8	5.5	2.4	3.7	1.0	versicolor
9	7.7	3.0	6.1	2.3	virginica
10	6.1	2.6	5.6	1.4	virginica
11	4.9	2.5	4.5	1.7	virginica
12	6.8	3.0	5.5	2.1	virginica

```
> |
```

Add new columns with mutate()

As well as selecting from the set of existing columns, its often useful to add new columns that are functions of existing columns. This is the job of `mutate()`:

```
iris2 = mutate(iris,  
PW2 = log(Petal.Width),  
PL2=sqrt(Petal.Length) )  
  
head(iris2)
```

Add new columns with mutate()

```
> iris2 = mutate(iris, PW2 = log(Petal.Width), PL2=sqrt(Petal.Length) )
> head(iris2)
```

	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species	PW2
1	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa	-1.6094379 1.1
2	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	setosa	-1.6094379 1.1
3	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa	-1.6094379 1.1
4	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	setosa	-1.6094379 1.2
5	5.0	3.6	1.4	0.2	setosa	-1.6094379 1.1
6	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	setosa	-0.9162907 1.3

```
> |
```

Add new columns with mutate()

mutate allows you to refer to columns that you just created:

```
iris3 = mutate(iris,  
PW2 = log(Petal.Width),  
PL2=sqrt(Petal.Length),  
Ratio=PL2/PW2 )
```

```
head(iris3)
```

Add new columns with mutate()

```
1      1.0      3.1      1.3      0.2
5      5.0      3.6      1.4      0.2
6      5.4      3.9      1.7      0.4
  Species      PW2      PL2      Ratio
1  setosa -1.6094379 1.183216 -0.7351734
2  setosa -1.6094379 1.183216 -0.7351734
3  setosa -1.6094379 1.140175 -0.7084308
4  setosa -1.6094379 1.224745 -0.7609768
5  setosa -1.6094379 1.183216 -0.7351734
6  setosa -0.9162907 1.303840 -1.4229550
> |
```

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Multiple table verbs

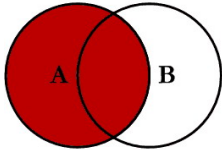
As well as verbs that work on a single `tbl`, there are also a set of useful verbs that work with two `tbls` at a time: joins and set operations.

Joins

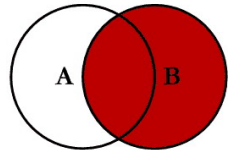
dplyr implements the four most useful joins from SQL:

- ▶ `inner_join(x, y)`: matching $x + y$
- ▶ `left_join(x, y)`: all $x +$ matching y
- ▶ `semi_join(x, y)`: all x with match in y
- ▶ `anti_join(x, y)`: all x without match in y

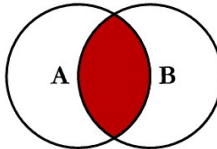
SQL JOINS



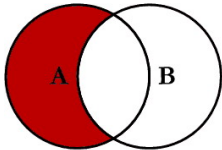
```
SELECT <select_list>
FROM TableA A
LEFT JOIN TableB B
ON A.Key = B.Key
```



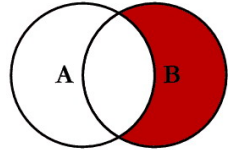
```
SELECT <select_list>
FROM TableA A
RIGHT JOIN TableB B
ON A.Key = B.Key
```



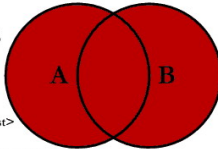
```
SELECT <select_list>
FROM TableA A
INNER JOIN TableB B
ON A.Key = B.Key
```



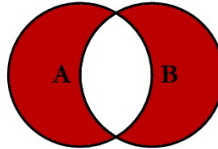
```
SELECT <select_list>
FROM TableA A
LEFT JOIN TableB B
ON A.Key = B.Key
WHERE B.Key IS NULL
```



```
SELECT <select_list>
FROM TableA A
RIGHT JOIN TableB B
ON A.Key = B.Key
WHERE A.Key IS NULL
```



```
SELECT <select_list>
FROM TableA A
FULL OUTER JOIN TableB B
ON A.Key = B.Key
OR B.Key IS NULL
```



```
SELECT <select_list>
FROM TableA A
FULL OUTER JOIN TableB B
ON A.Key = B.Key
WHERE A.Key IS NULL
OR B.Key IS NULL
```

Joins

Pretend data set listing country of origin for each species. The variables “Species” is common to both data frames.

```
<
> irisnewdata
      Species  origin
1  virginica  Ireland
2    setosa  Scotland
3 versicolor   Wales
> |
```

Figure: Second Data Frame

Joins

```
>
>
> irisnewdata = data.frame(Species=c("virginica","setosa","versicolor"),origin=c(
>
>
> left_join(iris,irisnewdata)
```

Joining by: "Species"

	Species	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	origin
1	setosa	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	Scotland
2	setosa	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	Scotland
3	setosa	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	Scotland
4	setosa	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	Scotland
5	setosa	5.0	3.6	1.4	0.2	Scotland
6	setosa	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	Scotland
7	setosa	4.6	3.4	1.4	0.3	Scotland
8	setosa	5.0	3.4	1.5	0.2	Scotland

Set Theory Operations

dplyr implements the methods for set theory operations

- ▶ `intersect(x, y)`: all rows in both x and y
- ▶ `union(x, y)`: rows in either x or y
- ▶ `setdiff(x, y)`: rows in x, but not y