Transform Data

Strategic and Competitive Intelligence

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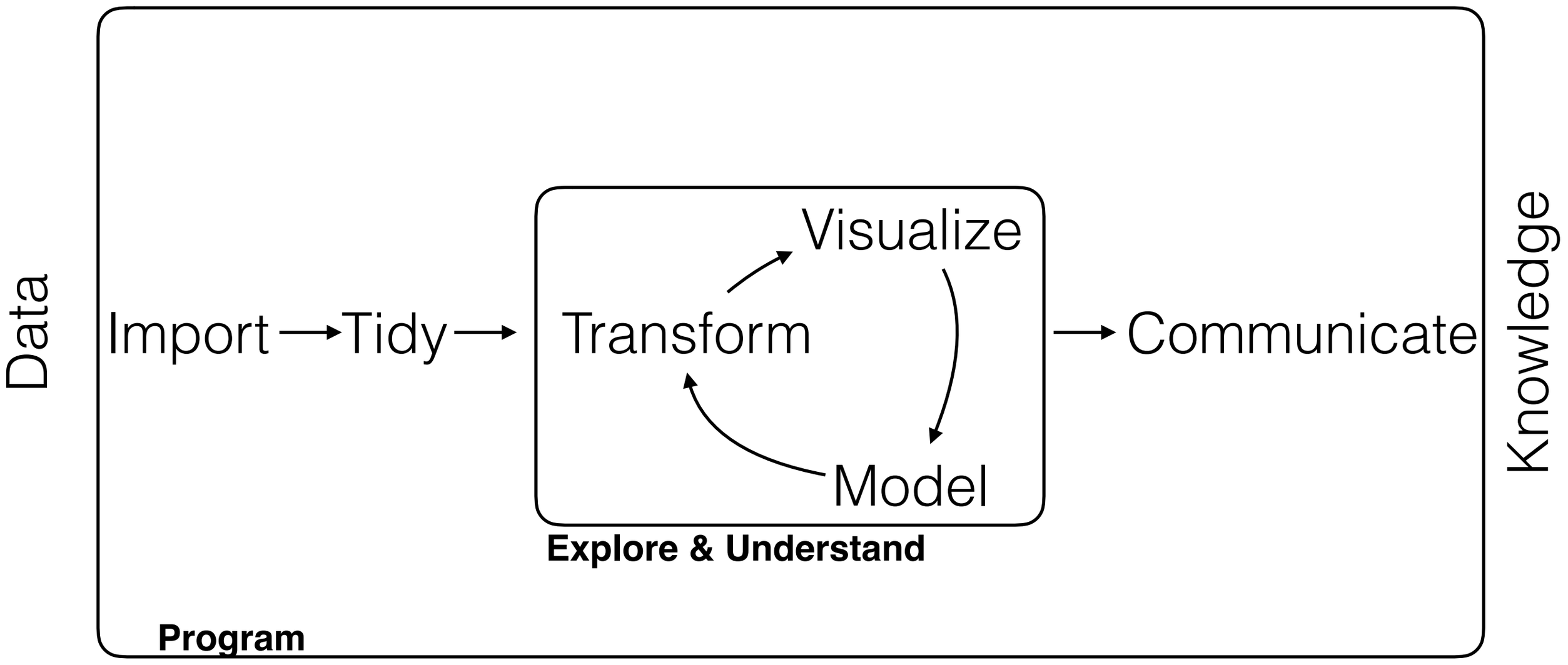
What you will learn



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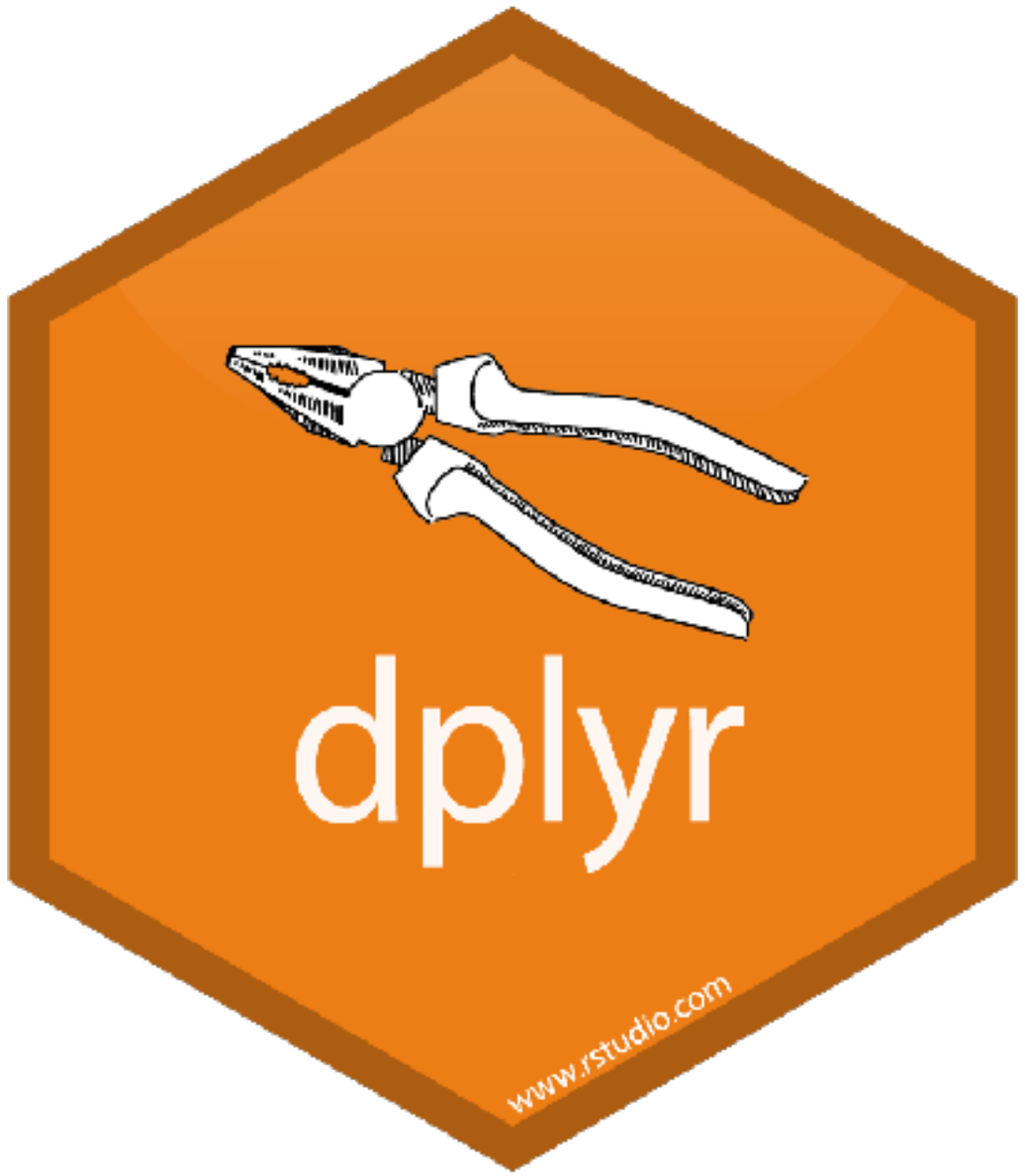
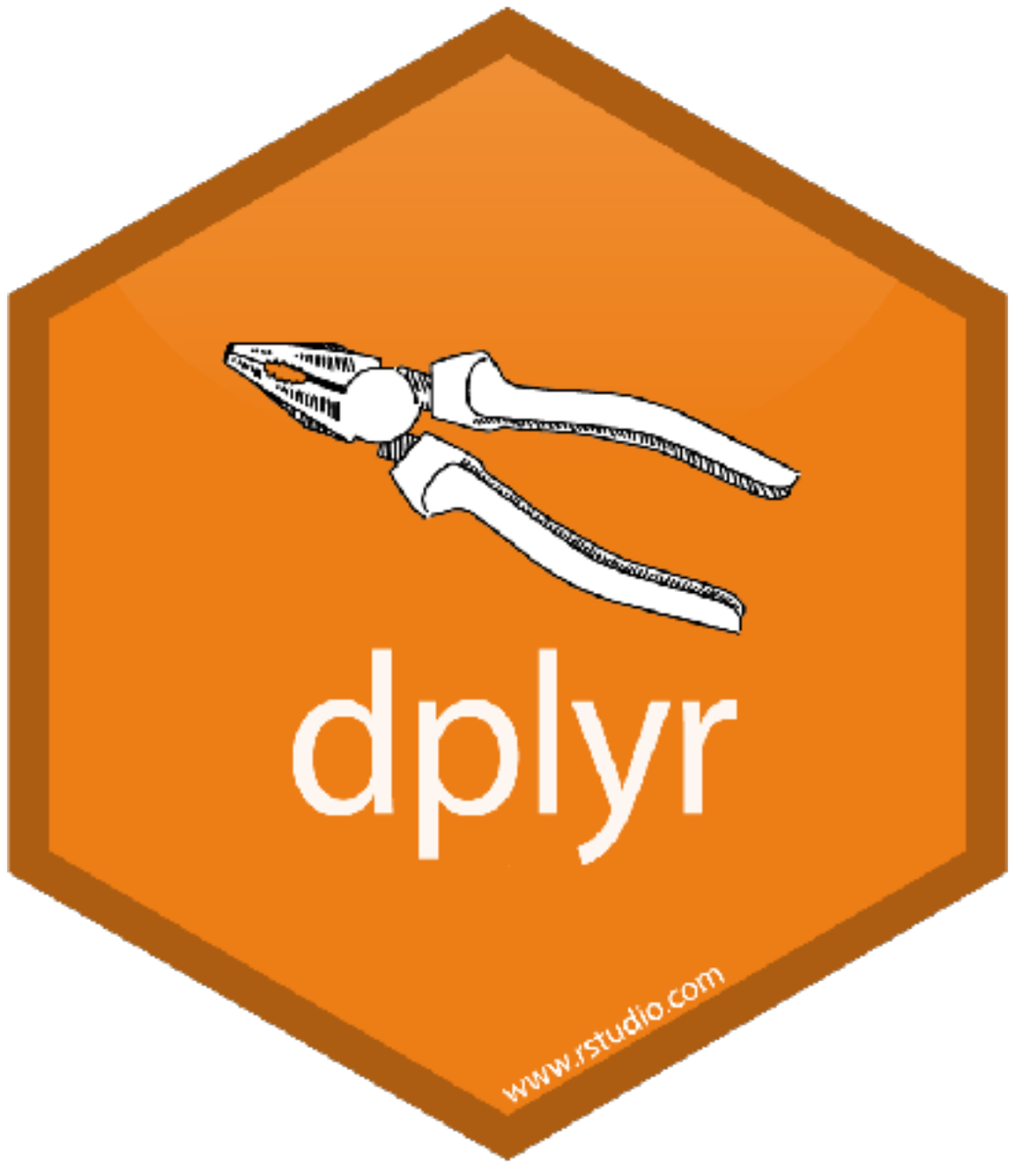
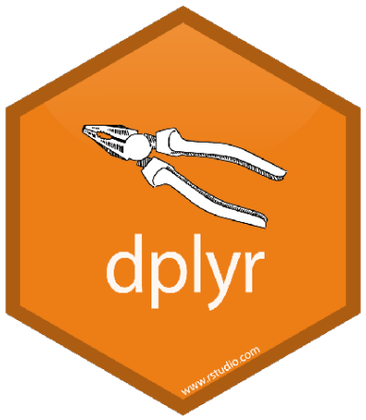


dplyr is a ***functional grammar of data manipulation***

Which **actions** can be done on data?



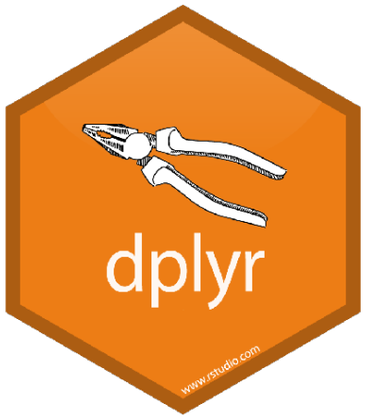


Makes data manipulation easy:

- By **constraining** your options, it helps you think about your data manipulation challenges.

- It provides **simple verbs**, functions that correspond to the most common data manipulation tasks

- Help you **translate** your thoughts into code



filter: Pick observations by their values

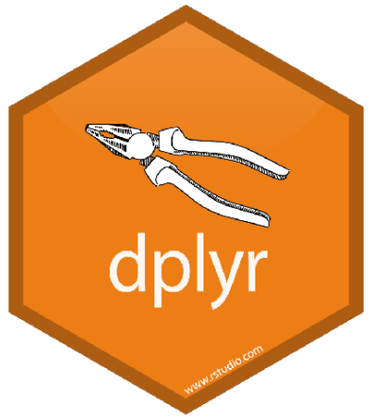
arrange: Reorder the rows

select: Pick variables by their names

mutate: Create new variables (functions of existing variables)

summarise: Collapse many values down to a single summary

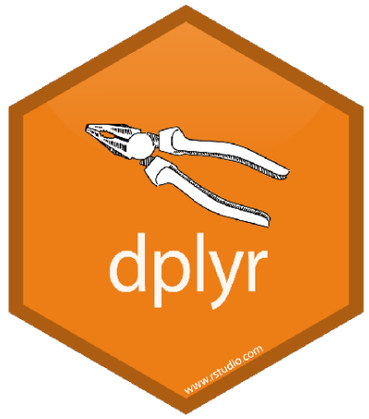
group by:changes the scope of each verb to operating on groups of observations



All verbs work similarly:

1 - The first argument is a data frame.
2 - The subsequent arguments gives specification about the verbs.
3 - The result is a new data frame.

$$\overset{3}{output\_df} \leftarrow \mathbf{verb}(\overset{1}{input\_df}, \overset{2}{arguments})$$



output_df <– **filter**(*input_df*, *color*==“*blue*”)

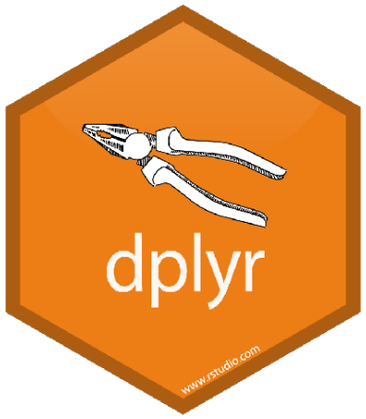
color	value
blue	1
black	2
blue	3
blue	4
black	5

input_df

color	value
blue	1
blue	3
blue	4

output_df

Subset observations based on their values



output_df <– **filter**(*input_df*, *color=="blue"*)

Any logical operation

color	value
blue	1
black	2
blue	3
blue	4
black	5

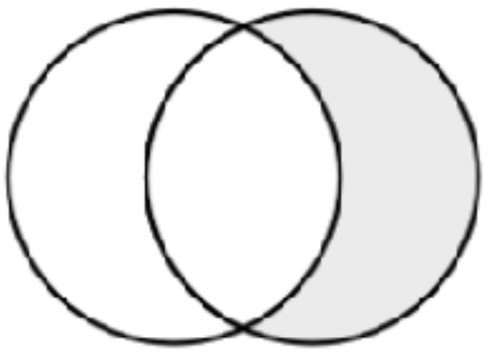
input_df

color	value
blue	1
blue	3
blue	4

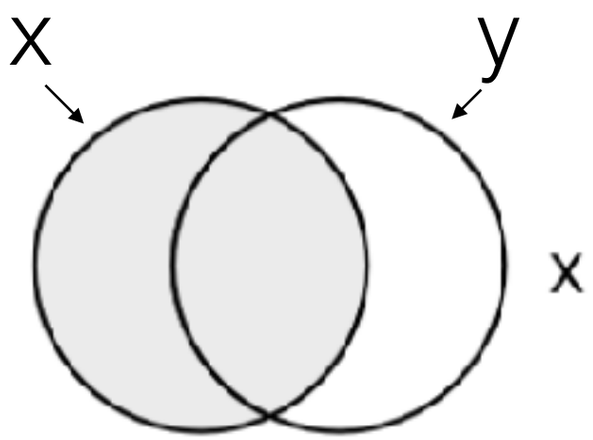
output_df

Subset observations based on their values

Logical operators



y & !x



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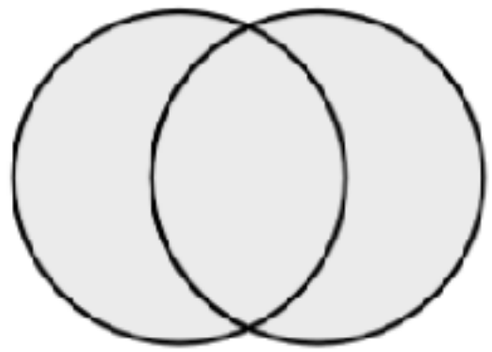
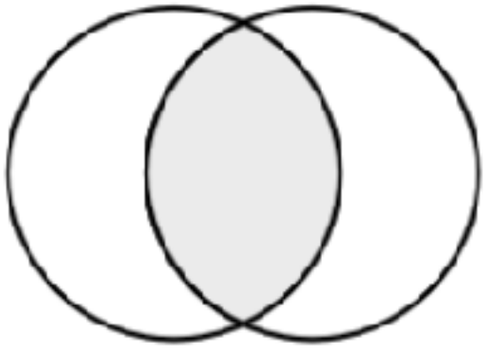
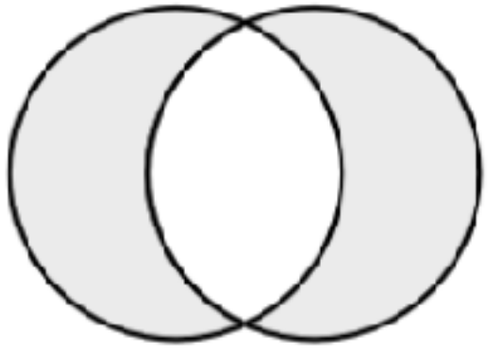


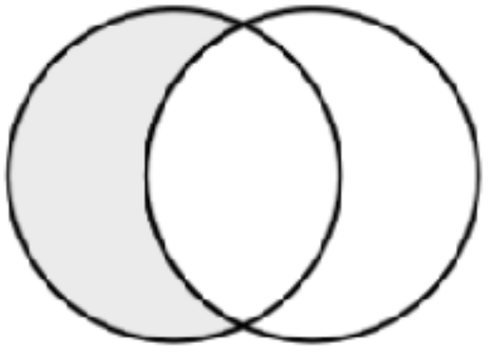
x | y



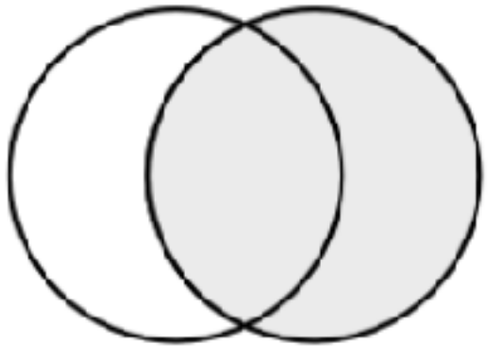
x & y



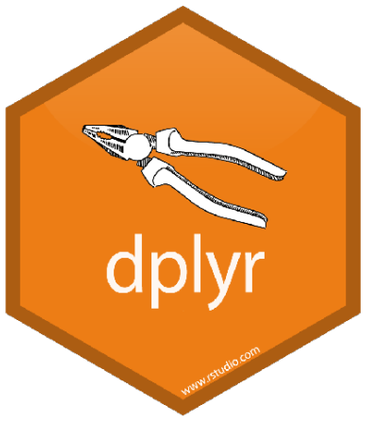
xor(x, y)



x & !y



y



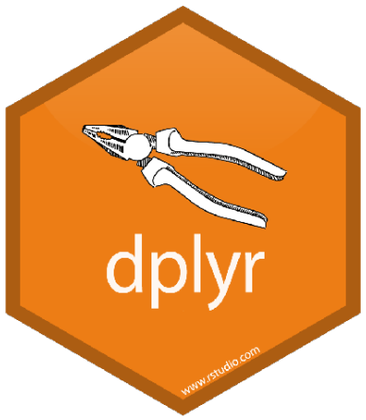
output_df <– **arrange**(*input_df*, *color*)

color	value
4	1
1	2
5	3
3	4
2	5

input_df

color	value
1	2
2	5
3	4
4	1
5	3

output_df



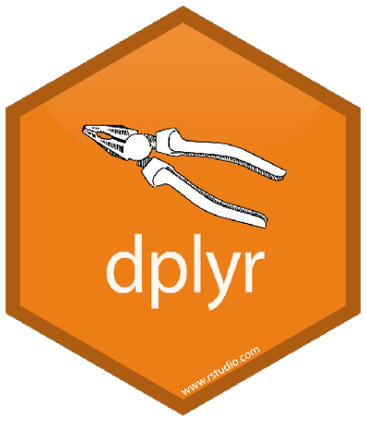
output_df <– **mutate**(*input_df*, *double = value*2*)

color	value
blue	1
black	2
blue	3
blue	4
black	5

input_df

color	value	double
blue	1	2
black	2	4
blue	3	6
blue	4	8
black	5	10

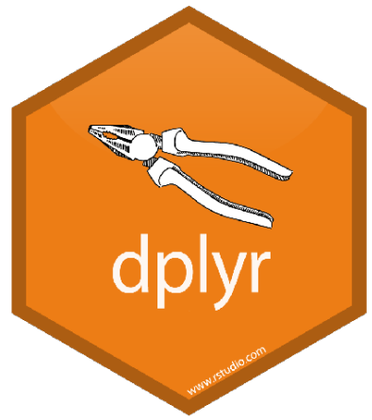
output_df



output_df <– **summarise**(*input_df*, *total = sum(value)*)

color	value
blue	1
black	2
blue	3
blue	4
black	5

total
15



output_df <– **summarise**(*input_df*, *total = sum(value)*)

summarise() is not terribly useful unless we pair it with group_by()

blue	1
black	2
blue	3
blue	4
black	5

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group_by changes the unit of analysis from the complete dataset to individual groups.

> *by_color* <– **group_by**(*input_df*, *color*)

> **summarise**(*by_color*, *total = sum(value)*)

color	value
blue	1
black	2
blue	3
blue	4
black	5

color	total
blue	8
black	7

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> input_df <- import_csv("mydata.csv")

> by_color <- group_by(input_df, color)

> output_df <- summarise(by_color, total = sum(value))
```

Combining multiple operations with the pipe

f(x, y)

x %>% f(y)

Takes the member in the left and passes it as first argument of the function in the right

> *input_df <- import_csv(“mydata.csv”)*
> *by_color* <– group_by(*input_df*, *color*)
> output_df <– summarise(*by_color*, *total = sum(value)*)

output_df <- ***import_csv****(“mydata.csv”) %>%*
group_by(*color*) %>%
summarise(*total = sum(value)*)

Exercise

TransformData.R

1: Find all flights that had an arrival delay of two or more hours
2: Find all flights that flew to Houston (IAH or HOU)
3.Find all flights that departed between midnight and 6am (inclusive)
4: Compare air_time with arr_time - dep_time. What do you expect to see?
5: Find the 10 most delayed flights
6: Look at the number of cancelled flights per day. Is there a pattern?
7: Is the proportion of cancelled flights related to the average delay?
8: What time of day should you fly if you want to avoid delays as much as possible?
9: Create your own questions [2]
10: Answer to a questions make by a colleague [2]