Data Cleaning in R

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Common Tasks

- Data class
- Creating dataframes
- Updating column names
- Combining columns
- Transposing
- Rownames/column names
- Concatenating
- Creating lists
- Subsetting (indices, logic, which)
- Merging
- Reclassification
- ▶ Dealing with NA values w/ logic
- Strings
- Functions
- lapply

Basic background

- dataframe\$column
- read.csv("data.csv")
- write.csv(object, "object.csv")
- ► head()
- str()
- colnames()
- summary()
- unique()
- class()
- ► levels()
- nrow(), length()
- dataframe[row, column]

Packages

```
library(lubridate)
library(dplyr)
library(tidyr)
library(reshape2)
library(tibble)
```

Structure

[1] "Date"

```
as.Date, as.String, as.Numeric, as.Factor use class() to
find type
class(sales$event dt)
[1] "factor"
sales$event_dt <- as.Date(sales$event_dt)</pre>
class(sales$event_dt)
```

Splitting columns

```
sales$event_dt[1:3]
[1] "2015-09-12" "2009-09-04" "2006-04-21"
strsplit(as.character(sales$event_dt[1:3]), "-")
\lceil \lceil 1 \rceil \rceil
[1] "2015" "09"
                     "12"
[[2]]
[1] "2009" "09"
                     "04"
[[3]]
[1] "2006" "04"
                     "21"
```

Creating new dataframes

```
new.df <- data.frame(matrix(nrow=5, ncol=3))</pre>
```

Updating column names

Renaming singular column

```
colnames(new.df[colnames(new.df) == "column.2"])
<- "whatever"</pre>
```

Combining columns

```
[1] "1a" "2b" "3c" "4d" "5e"
```

Transposing

t() returns a nested list. A dataframe must be specified if you want a dataframe.

```
new.df.t <- as.data.frame(t(new.df))
new.df.t</pre>
```

```
V1 V2 V3 V4 V5 column.1 1 2 3 4 5 column.2 a b c d e column.3 1a 2b 3c 4d 5e
```

Rownames/colnames

```
require(tibble)
rownames_to_column(new.df.t)
```

```
rowname V1 V2 V3 V4 V5
1 column.1 1 2 3 4 5
2 column.2 a b c d e
3 column.3 1a 2b 3c 4d 5e
```

Concatenating dataframes

```
new.df.2 <- new.df
rbind(new.df, new.df.2)</pre>
```

```
column.1 column.2 column.3
                               1a
                      а
                               2b
                               Зс
                      d
                               4d
5
           5
                               5e
                      е
                               1a
                      a
                      b
                               2b
                               Зс
9
                      d
                               4d
10
           5
                               5e
```

Creating new lists

```
mylist <- rep(NA, nrow(sales)/500)
mylist</pre>
```

[1] NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA

Subsetting by indices

R makes use of the [row,column] notation

```
sales[5:10, c(3,9)]
```

```
primary_act_id major_cat_name
5 91c03a34b562436efa3c MISC
6 ac4b847b3fde66f2117e MISC
7 a14232befff04be1e2f3 MISC
8 91c03a34b562436efa3c MISC
9 0efaba7ce3f0d7466b42 MISC
10 f6425a3223e73ea6de5a CONCERTS
```

Subsetting by >=, ==, <=, !=

R accepts logical statements within a [row, column] subsetting argument

| | age_yr | tickets_purchased_qty | trans_face_val_amt |
|------|--------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 11 | 80 | 1 | 20 |
| 428 | 82 | 1 | 20 |
| 1220 | 80 | 1 | 20 |
| 1314 | 76 | 1 | 30 |
| 1701 | 72 | 2 | 30 |
| 3830 | 72 | 1 | 22 |
| 4188 | 90 | 1 | 15 |
| 4328 | 94 | 1 | 9 |
| 4975 | 78 | 1 | 20 |
| | | | |

Subsetting by %in%

```
event dt venue state
732 2015-08-08 RHODE ISLAND
1860 2015-09-17 MANITOBA
2046 2016-02-19 MANITOBA
2177 2015-12-16 RHODE ISLAND
2832 2015-09-17 MANITOBA
3304 2015-09-17 MANITOBA
4064 2016-01-27 MANITOBA
4119 2015-09-17 MANITOBA
4308 2015-11-16 MANTTOBA
4935 2016-01-15 MANTTOBA
```

Subsetting by which

If you have 500 columns, you may not know which column index to subset by in the previous example. Here the age column is extracted using which.

| | tickets_purchased_qty | ${\sf age_yr}$ |
|------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 11 | 1 | 80 |
| 428 | 1 | 82 |
| 1220 | 1 | 80 |
| 1314 | 1 | 76 |
| 1701 | 2 | 72 |
| 3830 | 1 | 72 |
| 4188 | 1 | 90 |
| 4328 | 1 | 94 |
| 4975 | 1 | 78 |
| | | |

Which.max, which.min

which.max and which.min are useful for removing known outliers.

```
sales[-c(which.max(sales$income_amt)),]
```

Merging

```
merged <- merge(x1, x2, by.x="column.x", by.y="column.y")</pre>
```

Reclassifying

```
[1] "(-0.52,305]" "(305,609]" "(609,913]
[4] "(913,1.22e+03]" "(1.22e+03,1.52e+03]"
```

levels(cut(sales\$trans_face_val_amt, 5))

Removing NA values

```
new.df[2,3] <- NA
new.df[1,2] <- NA
new.df[1,3] <- NA
new.df
```

```
column.1 column.2 column.3
                 <NA>
                           < NA >
                    b
                           < NA >
3
          3
                             Зс
4
          4
                    d
                             4d
5
          5
                             5e
                    е
```

Na.omit

```
na.omit(new.df)
```

Column NAs

Row NAs

5

5e

Converting date/time

lubridate package

```
year()
month()
day()
week()
as_date()
as_datetime()
time_length()
```

Lubridate examples

```
library(lubridate)
dates <- as.Date(sales$event_dt[1:3])</pre>
dates
[1] "2015-09-12" "2009-09-04" "2006-04-21"
year(dates)
[1] 2015 2009 2006
month(dates)
[1] 9 9 4
```

[1] 37 36 16

week(dates)

More examples

```
floor_date(dates, "month")
[1] "2015-09-01" "2009-09-01" "2006-04-01"
ceiling_date(dates, "season")
[1] "2015-12-01" "2009-12-01" "2006-06-01"
date1 <- "2009-08-03 12:01:59"
as.Date(date1) # uh-oh
[1] "2009-08-03"
as datetime(date1)
[1] "2009-08-03 12:01:59 UTC"
```

Strings

```
grepl returns a logical TRUE/FALSE
```

```
files <- files[grepl('name', files) == TRUE]</pre>
```

```
gsub("hello", "goodbye", files)
```

Creating functions

```
myfunction <- function(x) {
  z <- x + 1
  return(z)
}
myfunction(3)</pre>
```

[1] 4

Function to calculate percentage of NA in columns

```
calc.na <- function(x, data) {
    calc <- sum(is.na(data[[x]])/nrow(data))
    return(unlist(calc))
}

calc.na("onsale_dt", sales)</pre>
```

[1] 0.0202

What about the amount of every column?

Option 1: For loop

Problem 1: results duplicated Problem 2: returns list indices as column names, which cannot be iterated over or used in the future.

```
results <- rep(NA, length(colnames(sales)))

for (i in colnames(sales)) {
  results[i] <- calc.na(i, sales)
}

results[60]</pre>
```

```
tickets_purchased_qty
```

Option 2: lapply

```
unlist(lapply(colnames(sales), calc.na, sales))
```

```
[11] 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 [21] 0.0008 0.0000 0.0848 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.484 [31] 0.0000 0.0000 0.9646 0.9664 0.9692 0.9722 0.9776 0.985 [41] 0.9740 0.9724 0.9842 0.9846 0.9874 0.9354
```

[1] 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.68

Function - example 2

```
toMatch <- c("x", "y", "z", "...")
sentences <- c("sentence 1", "sentence 2", "...")
subset_sentences <- function(Match, sentences){
    sentences[grep(Match,sentences)]
}
subsetted <- lapply(toMatch, subset_sentences, sentences)</pre>
```

Examples

Example 1

Example of creating list of dates to loop over

```
dates <- seq(ymd_hms('2018-03-08 00:00:00'),
              ymd hms('2018-03-12 23:00:00'),
              by="1 hour")
dates <- as.character(dates)</pre>
for (i in seq along(dates)) {
  dates[i] <- gsub(" ", "T", dates[i])</pre>
dates[1:5]
```

```
[1] "2018-03-08T00:00:00" "2018-03-08T01:00:00" "2018-03-08
```

Read in RDS

Data is saved as an RDS because it is a recursively nested list

```
require(dplyr)
require(lubridate)
require(tidyr)
weather <- readRDS("data/scraped_data.rds")
class(weather)</pre>
```

```
[1] "matrix"
```

Data

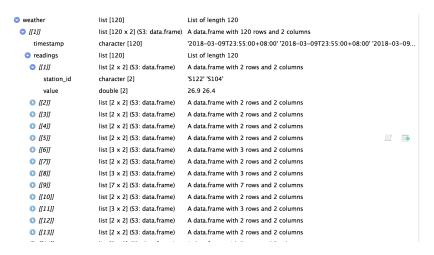


Figure 1:

Cleaning

```
weather.times <- weather[seq_along(weather) %% 2 > 0]
weather.times <- unlist(weather.times)

weather.readings <- weather[seq_along(weather) %% 2 == 0]
for (i in c(1:length(weather.readings))) {
   weather.readings[[i]][[1]][3] <- i
}

weather.readings <- do.call("rbind", weather.readings)
weather.readings <- do.call("rbind", weather.readings)</pre>
```

Continued

Finished

| S116 [‡] | \$117 [‡] | S121 [‡] | S122 [‡] | S43 [‡] | \$44 [‡] | S50 [‡] | \$60 [‡] | date |
|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| NA | NA | NA | 24.3 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-07T23:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 24.0 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T00:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 24.4 | NA | 24.6 | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T01:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 24.5 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T02:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 24.2 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T03:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 24.3 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T04:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 23.7 | 25.7 | 24.7 | 24.9 | 25.6 | 2018-03-08T05:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 23.8 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T06:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 24.8 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T07:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 24.8 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T07:55:00+08:00 |
| 28.0 | 28.3 | 27.4 | 28.7 | NA | 27.3 | 28.6 | NA | 2018-03-08T09:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 30.5 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T10:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 30.1 | 28.9 | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T11:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 28.8 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T12:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 27.7 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T13:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 27.5 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T14:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | 28.6 | 27.6 | 27.4 | 26.7 | NA | 27.1 | 27.9 | 2018-03-08T15:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | NA | 28.1 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T16:55:00+08:00 |
| NA | NA | 28.2 | 28.2 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2018-03-08T17:55:00+08:00 |

Figure 2:

Join metadata

Done!

```
weather.joined[1:5,c(9,3,7,8)]
```

```
day value location.latitude location.longitude
1 2018-01-04
              29.3
                              1.4172
                                                103.7485
                NA
                              1.4172
                                                103.7485
2 2018-01-02
3 2018-01-02
             NA
                              1.4172
                                                103.7485
                              1.4172
                                                103.7485
4 2018-01-03 25.7
5 2018-01-04 29.3
                              1.4172
                                                103.7485
```

Example 2

Function

```
perc.na <- function(data) {
   sing.na <- function(x) {
      sum(is.na(data[[x]])/nrow(data))
   }
   return(unlist(lapply(colnames(data), sing.na)))
}
sales.na <- perc.na(sales)</pre>
```

Remove outliers, select columns

Reclassify

```
sales$secondary <- 0
sales$secondary[!is.na(sales$secondary_act_name)] <- 1
sales$secondary <- as.factor(sales$secondary)</pre>
```

Calc new columns

```
sales$onsale_dt <- as.Date(sales$onsale_dt)</pre>
sales$event dt <- as.Date(sales$event dt)</pre>
sales$sales_ord_tran_dt <-
  as.Date(sales$sales ord tran dt)
sales$sale length <- sales$event dt - sales$onsale dt
sales$purchased date <- sales$sales ord tran dt -
  sales$onsale dt
sales$event_hour <- hour(sales$event_date_time)</pre>
```

Remove unnecessary columns before aggregating

Datetime conversions

```
sales$month <- month(sales$event_dt)
sales$year <- year(sales$event_dt)
sales$month_year <- paste(sales$month, sales$year)</pre>
```

dplyr for final data

Go to Matt's data exploration workshop to learn more about this!