

EXTRA R EXERCISES – R FROM SCRATCH – R – LADIES

R contains thousands of packages, each of them offering functions that do something useful. The package that is most commonly used (by far!) for data manipulation is called **dplyr** (pronounced *di-pl-a-yer*). Every package first has to be installed to your local machine (only once) and then loaded to your workspace (every time you open R). Let's install and load dplyr.

DPLYR PACKAGE

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

LOADING DATA

Now, before we practice using dplyr, let's load the data we're going to work with:

1. Read about one of the most popular R's in-built datasets `mtcars`, using `help()` function or ?
2. Explore dataset's structure and summary statistics. Pay attention to data types.

```
?mtcars  
data("mtcars")  
str(mtcars)  
summary(mtcars)
```

DATA MANIPULATION

Let's learn about some of the most useful dplyr's functions:

1. Find out about the following dplyr's functions: `mutate()` and `filter()` (try looking up e.g. `?dplyr::mutate`, etc.). What do they do? How do they work? What's the syntax?
2. Create a new data.frame (`new_mtcars`) that contains only observations where number of cylinders is greater or equal 6.
3. We're going to create a new variable, `cyl_desc`, that will put `cyl` in three buckets dependent on the value of `cyl`: low, medium and high (greater or equal 2, between 3 and 5 and greater or equal 6, respectively). For this reason let's learn a bit about `ifelse()` statement (use R's available help tools).
4. Create `cyl_desc` using `mutate()`.

5. Check the structure of `new_mtcars` – what's the class of the new variable? Turn it to factor.

```
?dplyr::mutate
```

```
new_mtcars <- filter(mtcars, cyl >=6)
```

```
new_mtcars <- mutate(new_mtcars,  
                      cyl_desc = ifelse(cyl <=2, "low",  
                                       ifelse(cyl >= 6, "high",  
                                       "medium"))  
                      )
```

```
str(new_mtcars)
```

```
new_mtcars$cyl_desc <- as.factor(new_mtcars$cyl_desc)
```

JOINING DATASETS

It's time to join the new dataset to the original `mtcars`. However, there are many ways to do it!

1. Read about available joins in `dplyr` (e.g. try `?dplyr::join`)
2. Create a new dataset `inner_df` where you use `inner_join()` to join `mtcars` and `new_mtcars` together.
3. Check the structure of `inner_df` – how many variables and observations are there? What variables can you see? Are there any missing values?
4. Create a new dataset `left_df` where you use `left_join()` to join `mtcars` and `new_mtcars` together.
5. Check the structure of `left_df` – how many variables and observations are there? What variables can you see? Are there any missing values?
6. Create a new dataset `right_df` where you use `right_join()` to join `mtcars` and `new_mtcars` together.
7. Check the structure of `right_df` – how many variables and observations are there? What variables can you see? Are there any missing values?
8. Create a new dataset `anti_df` where you use `anti_join()` to join `mtcars` and `new_mtcars` together.
9. Check the structure of `anti_df` – how many variables and observations are there? What variables can you see? Are there any missing values?

```
inner_df <- inner_join(mtcars, new_mtcars)  
str(inner_df)
```

```
left_df <- left_join(mtcars, new_mtcars)
str(left_df)
summary(left_df)
head(left_df)

right_df <- right_join(mtcars, new_mtcars)
str(right_df)

?dplyr::anti_join
anti_df <- anti_join(mtcars, new_mtcars)
str(anti_df)
```