



Agenda

- understand categorical data
- case study intro
- factors in R
- summarization
- manipulation
- visualization

Resources



- Slides
- Data & Scripts
- RStudio Cloud
- Online Course
- Blog Post

Data Types

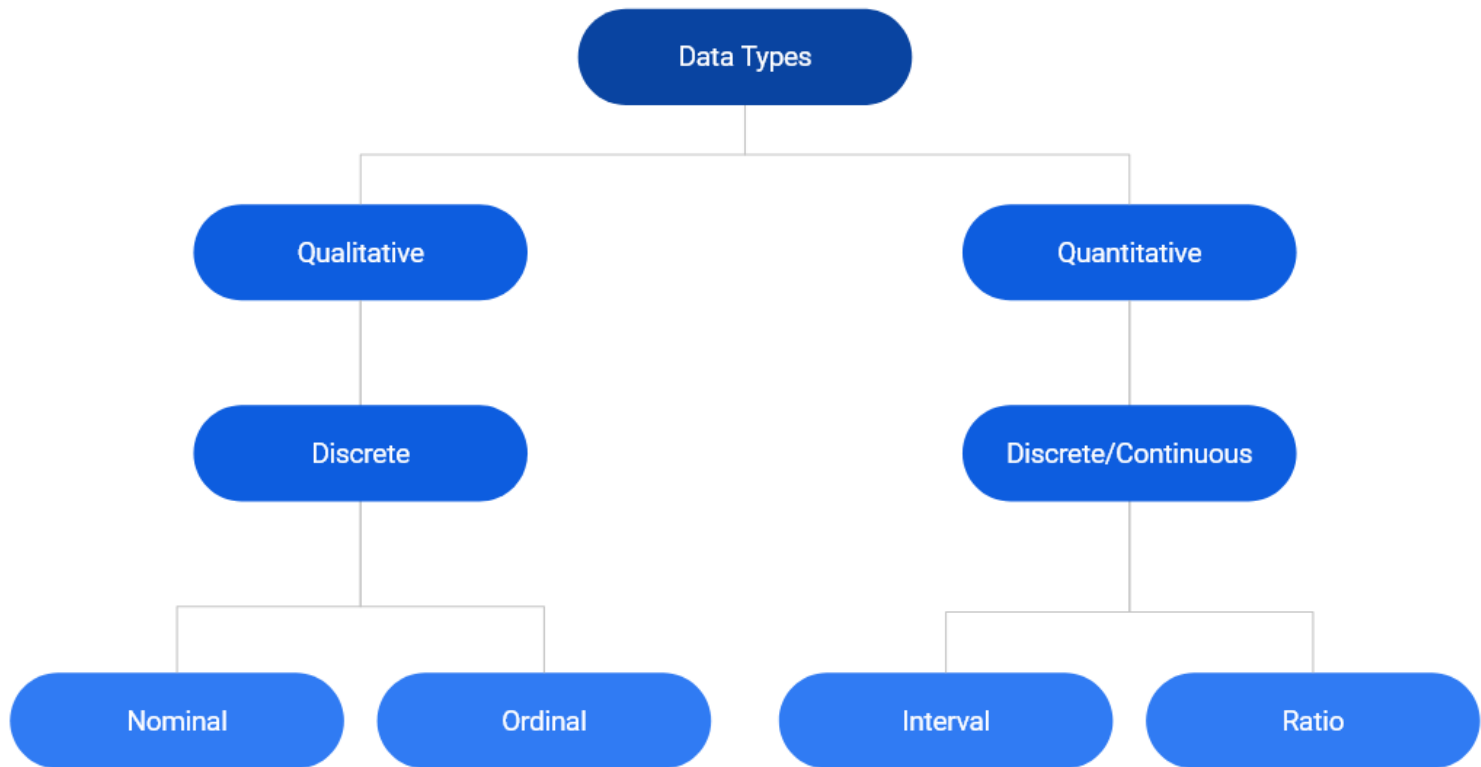


Fig 1: Data Types



one



two



three

Fig 2: Discrete Data

Continuous



Fig 3: Continuous Data



Categorical Data

- is always discrete
- may be divided into groups
- consists of names or labels
- takes on limited & fixed number of possible values
- arises in situation where counting is involved
- analysis generally involves the use of tables



yes



no

Fig 4: Dichotomous Data

Polychotomous



yes



maybe



no

Fig 5: Polychotomous Data

Nominal



Fig 6: Nominal Data



Fig 7: Ordinal Data



Summary

- data can be quantitative or qualitative
- qualitative data is always discrete
- dichotomous data consists of only 2 levels/categories
- polychotomous data consists of more than 2 levels/categories
- nominal data do not have an intrinsic order
- in ordinal data
 - categories can be ordered or ranked
 - and difference between the categories cannot be determined

Case Study

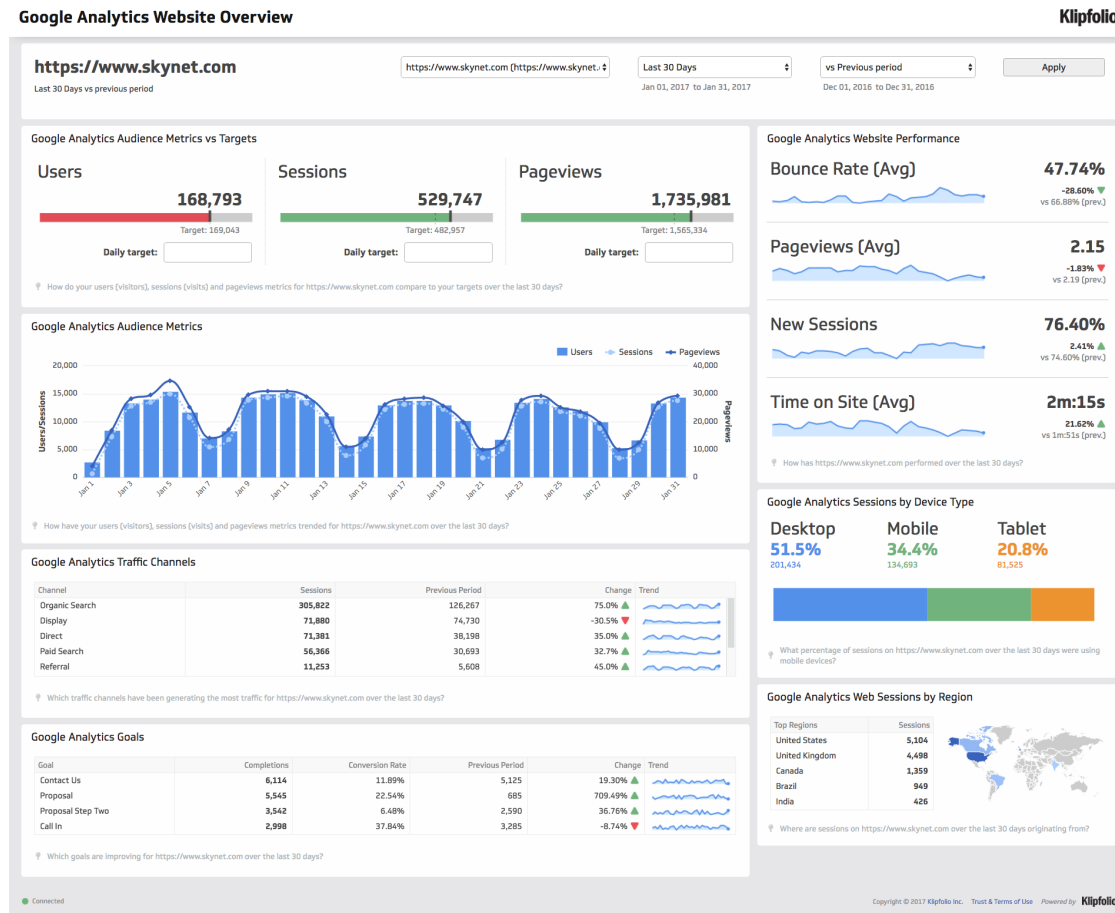


Fig 8: Web Analytics Dashboard



Import Text Data

File/URL:
 Browse...

Data Preview:

X1 (double)	device (character)	os (character)	browser (character)	user_type (character)	channel (character)	gender (character)	frequency (double)	recency (double)	page_depth (double)	hour_of_day (character)
1	Desktop	Windows	Chrome	New Visitor	Organic Search	female		1	0	1 02
2	Mobile	iOS	Safari	Returning Visitor	Organic Search	NA		3	1	1 20
3	Desktop	Chrome OS	Chrome	New Visitor	Direct	NA		1	0	5 05
4	Desktop	Macintosh	Chrome	Returning Visitor	Organic Search	NA		2	0	1 17
5	Desktop	Macintosh	Chrome	Returning Visitor	Referral	NA		5	8	1 04
6	Mobile	Android	Chrome	New Visitor	Organic Search	NA		1	0	5 00
7	Desktop	Windows	Chrome	New Visitor	Organic Search	NA		1	0	4 03

Previewing first 50 entries.

Import Options:

Name: ☒ First Row as Names
 Skip: ☒ Trim Spaces
☒ Open Data Viewer
 Delimiter: Escape:
 Quotes: Comment:
 Locale: NA:

Code Preview:

```
library(readr)
analytics_raw <- read_csv("analytics_raw.csv")
View(analytics_raw)
```

[? Reading rectangular data using readr](#)

Import Cancel

Fig 9: RStudio IDE

Case Study



```
# load readr package
library(readr)

# import data
read_csv("data/analytics_raw.csv",
         col_types = cols_only(
           device = col_factor(levels = c("Desktop", "Tablet", "Mobile"),
                                labels = c("Desktop", "Tablet", "Mobile")),
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         )
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         )
)
```

Case Study



```
## Warning: Missing column names filled in: 'X1' [1]
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
##   device gender user_rating
##   <fct>   <fct>   <ord>
## 1 Desktop female 4
## 2 Mobile  <NA>    5
## 3 Desktop <NA>    4
## 4 Desktop <NA>    5
## 5 Desktop <NA>    4
## 6 Mobile  <NA>    4
```

RDS Data



```
data <- readRDS("data/analytics.rds")
head(data)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 19
##   device os      browser user_type channel gender frequency recency page
##   <fct>  <fct>  <fct>  <fct>    <fct>  <fct>    <dbl>    <dbl>
## 1 Desktop Windo~ Chrome New Visit~ Organic~ female      1      0
## 2 Mobile  iOS    Safari Returning~ Organic~ <NA>      3      1
## 3 Desktop Chrom~ Chrome New Visit~ Direct  <NA>      1      0
## 4 Desktop Macin~ Chrome Returning~ Organic~ <NA>      2      0
## 5 Desktop Macin~ Chrome Returning~ Referral <NA>      5      8
## 6 Mobile Andro~ Chrome New Visit~ Organic~ <NA>      1      0
## # ... with 10 more variables: hour_of_day <chr>, age <dbl>, duration <dbl>,
## #   landing_page <fct>, exit_page <fct>, country <fct>, quantity <dbl>,
## #   revenue <dbl>, purchase_flag <lgl>, user_rating <dbl>
```



Agenda

- introduction to factor
- how to detect factor variables
- how to coerce other data types to factor
- handle missing values
- handle ordinal data
- specify orders of categories



Sample Data

```
device <- sample(c("Desktop", "Mobile", "Tablet"),  
                 size = 25,  
                 replace = TRUE)
```

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Sample Data



device

```
## [1] "Tablet" "Desktop" "Desktop" "Desktop" "Desktop" "Desktop" "Tablet" "Desktop"
## [8] "Desktop" "Desktop" "Tablet" "Desktop" "Tablet" "Mobile" "Tablet"
## [15] "Mobile" "Desktop" "Mobile" "Desktop" "Desktop" "Mobile" "Tablet"
## [22] "Desktop" "Tablet" "Mobile" "Desktop"
```

Membership Testing



```
is.factor(device)
```

```
## [1] FALSE
```

Coercion



```
as.factor(device)
```

```
## [1] Tablet Desktop Desktop Desktop Desktop Tablet Desktop Desktop Deskt
## [10] Tablet Desktop Tablet Mobile Tablet Mobile Desktop Mobile Deskt
## [19] Desktop Mobile Tablet Desktop Tablet Mobile Desktop
## Levels: Desktop Mobile Tablet
```

Coercion



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```

```
## [1] Tablet Desktop Desktop Desktop Desktop Tablet Desktop Desktop Deskt
## [10] Tablet Desktop Tablet Mobile Tablet Mobile Desktop Mobile Deskt
## [19] Desktop Mobile Tablet Desktop Tablet Mobile Desktop
## Levels: Tablet Desktop Mobile
```

Factor



```
factor(device)
```

```
## [1] Tablet Desktop Desktop Desktop Desktop Tablet Desktop Desktop Desk  
## [10] Tablet Desktop Tablet Mobile Tablet Mobile Desktop Mobile Desk  
## [19] Desktop Mobile Tablet Desktop Tablet Mobile Desktop  
## Levels: Desktop Mobile Tablet
```

Specify Levels



```
factor(device,  
       levels = c("Desktop", "Mobile", "Tablet"))
```

```
## [1] Tablet Desktop Desktop Desktop Desktop Tablet Desktop Desktop Desk  
## [10] Tablet Desktop Tablet Mobile Tablet Mobile Desktop Mobile Desk  
## [19] Desktop Mobile Tablet Desktop Tablet Mobile Desktop  
## Levels: Desktop Mobile Tablet
```




Specify Levels

```
factor(device,  
       levels = c("Desktop", "Mobile"))
```

```
## [1] <NA> Desktop Desktop Desktop Desktop <NA> Desktop Desktop Deskt  
## [10] <NA> Desktop <NA> Mobile <NA> Mobile Desktop Mobile Deskt  
## [19] Desktop Mobile <NA> Desktop <NA> Mobile Desktop  
## Levels: Desktop Mobile
```



Modify Labels

```
factor(device,  
       levels = c("Desktop", "Mobile", "Tablet"),  
       labels = c("Desk", "Mob", "Tab"))
```

```
## [1] Tab Desk Desk Desk Desk Tab Desk Desk Desk Tab Desk Tab Mob Tab  
## [16] Desk Mob Desk Desk Mob Tab Desk Tab Mob Desk  
## Levels: Desk Mob Tab
```



Sample Data with Missing Values

```
# sample with missing values
```

```
device <- sample(c("Desktop", "Mobile", "Tablet", NA),  
                 size = 25,  
                 replace = TRUE)
```

```
device
```

```
## [1] "Tablet" "Mobile" NA "Tablet" "Mobile" "Mobile" NA  
## [8] "Mobile" "Desktop" "Desktop" "Tablet" "Tablet" "Tablet" "Tablet"  
## [15] "Mobile" "Mobile" "Desktop" "Mobile" NA "Mobile" "Mobile"  
## [22] NA "Desktop" "Tablet" "Mobile"
```

NA as a Level



```
# store as categorical data  
factor(device)
```

```
## [1] Tablet  Mobile  <NA>    Tablet  Mobile  Mobile  <NA>    Mobile  Desk  
## [10] Desktop Tablet  Tablet  Tablet  Tablet  Mobile  Mobile  Desktop Mobil  
## [19] <NA>      Mobile  Mobile  <NA>    Desktop Tablet  Mobile  
## Levels: Desktop Mobile Tablet
```



NA as a Level

```
factor(device,  
        exclude = NULL)
```

```
## [1] Tablet Mobile <NA> Tablet Mobile Mobile <NA> Mobile Desk  
## [10] Desktop Tablet Tablet Tablet Tablet Mobile Mobile Desktop Mobil  
## [19] <NA> Mobile Mobile <NA> Desktop Tablet Mobile  
## Levels: Desktop Mobile Tablet <NA>
```



Satisfaction Rating Sample Data

```
rating <- sample(c("Dislike", "Neutral", "Like"),  
                size = 25,  
                replace = TRUE)  
rating
```

```
## [1] "Like"    "Like"    "Neutral" "Like"    "Like"    "Like"    "Dislike"  
## [8] "Dislike" "Neutral" "Like"    "Dislike" "Like"    "Dislike" "Neutral"  
## [15] "Neutral" "Like"    "Dislike" "Dislike" "Dislike" "Dislike" "Neutral"  
## [22] "Like"    "Neutral" "Dislike" "Neutral"
```

Membership Testing



```
is.ordered(rating)
```

```
## [1] FALSE
```

Coercion



```
as.ordered(rating)
```

```
## [1] Like    Like    Neutral Like    Like    Like    Dislike Dislike Neutr
## [10] Like    Dislike Like    Dislike Neutral Neutral Like    Dislike Disli
## [19] Dislike Dislike Neutral Like    Neutral Dislike Neutral
## Levels: Dislike < Like < Neutral
```




Ordered Factor

```
factor(rating,  
       ordered = TRUE)
```

```
## [1] Like    Like    Neutral Like    Like    Like    Dislike Dislike Neutr  
## [10] Like    Dislike Like    Dislike Neutral Neutral Like    Dislike Disli  
## [19] Dislike Dislike Neutral Like    Neutral Dislike Neutral  
## Levels: Dislike < Like < Neutral
```



Modify Order of Levels

```
factor(rating,  
  levels = c("Dislike", "Neutral", "Like"),  
  ordered = TRUE)
```

```
## [1] Like    Like    Neutral Like    Like    Like    Dislike Dislike Neutr  
## [10] Like    Dislike Like    Dislike Neutral Neutral Like    Dislike Disli  
## [19] Dislike Dislike Neutral Like    Neutral Dislike Neutral  
## Levels: Dislike < Neutral < Like
```

Ordered



```
ordered(rating)
```

```
## [1] Like    Like    Neutral Like    Like    Like    Dislike Dislike Neutr
## [10] Like    Dislike Like    Dislike Neutral Neutral Like    Dislike Disli
## [19] Dislike Dislike Neutral Like    Neutral Dislike Neutral
## Levels: Dislike < Like < Neutral
```

Ordered



```
ordered(rating,  
        levels = c("Dislike", "Neutral", "Like"))
```

```
## [1] Like    Like    Neutral Like    Like    Like    Dislike Dislike Neutr  
## [10] Like    Dislike Like    Dislike Neutral Neutral Like    Dislike Disli  
## [19] Dislike Dislike Neutral Like    Neutral Dislike Neutral  
## Levels: Dislike < Neutral < Like
```



Key Functions

- `is.factor()`
- `is.ordered()`
- `as.factor()`
- `as_factor()`
- `as.ordered()`
- `factor()`
- `ordered()`



Summary

- R uses factor to handle categorical data
- use `as.factor()` or `as_factor()` to coerce other data types to factor
- use `is.factor()` or `is.ordered()` for membership testing
- use `factor()` function to
 - specify labels
 - modify labels
 - handle missing data
 - create ordered factors
 - specify order of levels
- use `ordered()` function to create ordered factors



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