

Data Manipulation

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Order a Vector or Dataframe

It is often useful to order a vector or dataframe

```
x <- c(10, 11, 9, 6, 1, 13)
sort(x)
sort(x, decreasing = TRUE)
order(x) # gives indices
x[order(x)]
iris[order(iris$Sepal.Length), ]
iris[order(iris$Species, iris$Sepal.Length), ]</pre>
```

Add and Remove Columns

You can easily add or remove a column from a dataframe

```
# Add Columns
iris$random <- rnorm(150)
iris$index <- 1:150

# Remove Columns
iris$random <- NULL
iris <- iris[, -6]</pre>
```

Missing Values

- ullet R uses the NA symbol to represent missing values
- ullet When reading in data files R automatically replaces blank cells with NA
- NA values are handled differently than regular data points

```
x < -c(2, 3, 4, NA)
mean(x)
mean(x, na.rm = TRUE)
```

Missing Values

You can test whether a value is NA and remove it if it is

```
x <- c(2, 3, 4, NA, 5, NA, 6)
is.na(x)
sum(is.na(x))
!is.na(x)
x <- x[!is.na(x)]</pre>
```

Combine Datasets: rbind()

Datasets are often scattered across files and need to be combined

```
head(beaver1)
head(beaver2)

beaver1$beaver <- 1
beaver2$beaver <- 2

beaver <- rbind(beaver1, beaver2)</pre>
```

Merge Two Dataframes: merge ()

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Dataset Organization

There are two primary ways to organize data

Wide

| Year | Sitel | Site2 | Site3 |
|------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1960 | 240,000 | 142,236 | 332,867 |
| 1961 | 60,000 | 45,972 | 47,049 |
| 1962 | 133,800 | 208,086 | 194,910 |
| 1963 | 38,081 | 373,412 | 127,154 |

Long

| Year | Site | Count |
|------|--------|---------|
| 1960 | Site I | 240,000 |
| 1961 | Site I | 60,000 |
| 1962 | Site I | 133,800 |
| 1963 | Site I | 38,081 |
| 1960 | Site2 | 142,236 |
| 1961 | Site2 | 45,972 |
| 1962 | Site2 | 208,086 |
| 1963 | Site2 | 373,412 |
| 1960 | Site3 | 332,867 |
| 1961 | Site3 | 47,049 |
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| 1963 | Site3 | 127,154 |

Reshape2 Package

"Reshape lets you flexibly restructure and aggregate data using just two function: melt and cast"

```
install.packages("reshape2")
library(reshape2)
```

- melt():go from "wide" format to "long" format
- dcast():go from "long" format to "wide" format
 - Also used to aggregate data

Reshape Example #1

```
mm < - data.frame(year = 1960:1963,
  site1 = c(10, 13, 9, 20),
  site2 = c(30, 11, 18, 24),
  site3 = c(40, 44, 49, 20)
melt(mm)
mm.long <- melt(mm, id.vars = "year")
mm.wide <- dcast(mm.long, year ~ variable,
  value.var = "value")
```

Reshape Example #2

```
head (airquality)
melt(airquality)
airquality.long <- melt(airquality,
  id.vars = c("Month", "Day"))
melt (airquality,
  id.vars = c("Month", "Day"),
  measure.vars = "Ozone")
dcast(airquality.long, Month + Day ~
  variable, value.var = "value")
```



- I. Order the mtcars dataset by increasing mpg
- 2. Add a column called "index" to the Orange dataset that gives the row number for each record
- 3. Remove the column in the Orange dataset you just created