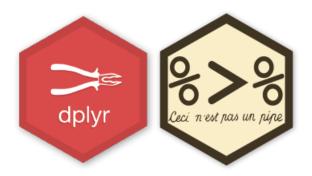


Coding Grace 2016 - dplyr and magrittr

Overview

- dplyr data manipulation
- magrittr pipe operator



Hadley Wickham



dplyr: Grammar of data manipulation

What is dplyr?

- dplyr is mainly authored by Hadley Wickham and Romain Francois. It is designed to be intuitive and easy to learn, thereby making "doing things" in R more user-friendly.
- dplyr is a new package which provides a set of tools for efficiently manipulating datasets in R.
- dplyr is the next iteration of plyr, focussing on only data frames.

(from Hadley Wickham's Vignette)

Hadley Wickham's Abstract

There are three key ideas that underlie **dplyr**:

1 Your time is important, so Romain Francois has written the key pieces in **Rcpp** to provide blazing fast performance.

Performance will only get better over time, especially once we figure out the best way to make the most of multiple processors.

dplyr: abstract by Hadley Wickham

2 Tabular data is tabular data regardless of where it lives, so you should use the same functions to work with it.

With **dplyr**, anything you can do to a local data frame you can also do to a remote database table.

PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQLite and Google bigquery support is built-in; adding a new backend is a matter of implementing a handful of S3 methods.

dplyr: abstract by Hadley Wickham

3 The bottleneck in most data analyses is the time it takes for you to figure out what to do with your data

dplyr makes this easier by having individual functions that correspond to the most common operations.

Functions include group_by(), glimpse() and the single table verbs. We will have a look at these verbs that we shall see shortly.

Each function does one only thing, but does it well.

Working with dplyr

dplyr focussed on tools for working with data frames (hence the **d** in the name). **dplyr** has three main goals:

- Identify the most important data manipulation tools needed for data analysis and make them easy to use from R.
- ► Provide very fast performance for in-memory data by writing key pieces in C++.
- Use the same interface to work with data no matter where it's stored, whether in a data frame, a data table or database.

Single table verbs

```
filter() (and slice() )
 arrange()
 select() (and rename() )
 distinct()
 mutate() (and transmute() )
 summarise()
 sample_n() and sample_frac()
(Also group_by() and glimpse())
```

Tidy Data

- To make the most of dplyr, Hadley Wickham recommends that you familiarise yourself with the principles of tidy data.
- ► This will help you get your data into a form that works well with **dplyr**, **ggplot2** and R's many modelling functions.

Tidy Data

Three Principles from Hadley Wickham's paper

- 1. Each variable forms a column,
- 2. Each observation forms a row,
- 3. Each table/file stores data about one kind of observation.

Remark:

The paper "**Tidy Data**" by Hadley Wickham (RStudio) can be downloaded from

http://vita.had.co.nz/papers/tidy-data.pdf

Key data structures

The key object in **dplyr** is a tbl, a representation of a tabular data structure. Currently dplyr supports:

- data frames the most commonly encountered R data structure.
- data tables a data structure that is designed for intensive data analysis.

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Introduction to dplyr

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When working with data you must:

- Figure out what you want to do.
- Precisely describe what you want in the form of a computer program.
- · Execute the code.

The dplyr package makes each of these steps as fast and easy as possible by:

- Elucidating the most common data manipulation operations, so that your options are helpfully constrained when thinking about how to tackle a problem.
- Providing simple functions that correspond to the most common data manipulation verbs, so that you
 can easily translate your thoughts into code.
- Using efficient data storage backends, so that you spend as little time waiting for the computer as possible.

%>% magrittr

Ceci n'est pas un pipe.

THE % > % OPERATOR

The % > % operator

- From magrittr package.
- Used extensively in dplyr.
- % > % is a piping operator, and can be verbalised as "then".
- It takes the output of the left side, and uses it as the first argument of the function on the right side.

magrittr : the % > % operator

subset(mtcars, cyl == 6, c(mpg, wt))

mtcars %>% subset(cyl == 6, c(mpg, wt))

```
R
                            R Console
   mtcars %>% subset(cyl == 6, c(mpg, wt))
              mpg wt
Mazda RX4 21.0 2.620
Mazda RX4 Wag 21.0 2.875
Hornet 4 Drive 21.4 3.215
Valiant 18.1 3.460
Merc 280 19.2 3.440
Merc 280C 17.8 3.440
Ferrari Dino 19.7 2.770
```

```
summary(subset(mtcars, cyl == 6,
c(mpg, wt)), digits=2)

mtcars %>%
subset(cyl == 6, c(mpg, wt)) %>%
summary(digits=2)
```

```
mtcars %>%
subset(cyl == 6, c(mpg, wt)) %>%
summary(digits=2)
```

- Get the mtcars data set
- ▶ **Then** subset it like this
- ▶ Then get the summary, with this setting

```
> mtcars %>%
+ subset(cyl == 6, c(mpg, wt)) %>%
   summary(digits=2)
                 wt
    mpg
Min. :18 Min. :2.6
1st Qu.:19 1st Qu.:2.8
Median :20 Median :3.2
Mean :20 Mean :3.1
3rd Qu.:21 3rd Qu.:3.4
Max. :21 Max. :3.5
```

magrittr : the % > % operator

- ▶ You can use the % > % operator with any R functions.
- ► The rules are simple: the object on the left hand side is passed as the first argument to the function on the right hand side. So:

```
my.data \% > \% my.function is the same as my.function(my.data) my.data \% > \% my.function(arg=value) is the same as my.function(my.data, arg=value)
```

Installing dplyr

Straightforward R package installation.

```
install.packages("dplyr")
library(dplyr)
# Data Set Examples
# 1. iris
# 2. mtcars
```

iris data set

```
> names(iris)
[1] "Sepal.Length"
[2] "Sepal.Width"
[3] "Petal.Length"
[4] "Petal.Width"
[5] "Species"
```

mtcars data set

```
> names(mtcars)
[1] "mpg" "cyl" "disp" "hp"
[5] "drat" "wt" "qsec" "vs"
[9] "am" "gear" "carb"
```

Example Data Sets

```
dim(iris)
class(iris)
mode(iris)

dim(mtcars)
class(mtcars)
mode(mtcars)
```

Grouped operations

- In dplyr, you use the group_by() function to describe how to break a dataset down into groups of rows.
- You can then use the resulting object in exactly the same functions as above; theyll automatically work "by group" when the input is a grouped structure.

group_by

group_by:

Group a *tbl* by one or more variables.

Description

Most data operations are useful done on groups defined by variables in the dataset.

The **group_by** function takes an existing tbl and converts it into a grouped tbl where operations are performed "by group".

The glimpse() Function

- dplyr also provides a function glimpse() that makes it easy to look at the data in a transposed view.
- similar to the str() (structure) function, but has a few advantages (see ?glimpse).

The glimpse() Function

```
> glimpse(iris)
Variables:
$ Sepal.Length (dbl) 5.1, 4.9, 4.7, 4.6, 5.0, 5.4, 4.6
$ Sepal.Width (dbl) 3.5, 3.0, 3.2, 3.1, 3.6, 3.9, 3.6
$ Petal.Length (dbl) 1.4, 1.4, 1.3, 1.5, 1.4, 1.7, 1.6
$ Petal.Width (dbl) 0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6
$ Species (fctr) setosa, setosa, setosa, setosa
```

dplyr: Single Table Verbs

dplyr aims to provide a function for each basic verb of data manipulating:

- filter() (and slice())
- arrange()
- select() (and rename())
- distinct()
- mutate() (and transmute())
- summarise()
- sample_n() and sample_frac()

Summary Statistics

You can use summarise() with aggregate functions, which take a vector of values, and return a single number.

Supports functions in base R like min(), max(), mean(), sum(), sd(), median(), and IQR().

- ▶ n(): number of observations in the current group
- ▶ n_distinct(x): count the number of unique values in x.

Grouping with the group_by command

```
iris.sp <- group_by(iris,Species)
class(iris.sp)

summarise(iris.sp,
    meanSL = mean(Sepal.Length),
    sdSL = sd(Petal.Length))</pre>
```

```
> iris.sp <- group by(iris,Species)
> class(iris.sp)
                            "tbl"
                                         "data frame"
[1] "grouped df" "tbl df"
>
> summarise(iris.sp,mean(Sepal.Length), sd(Petal.Length))
Source: local data frame [3 x 3]
    Species mean (Sepal.Length) sd (Petal.Length)
                        5.006
                                  0.1736640
     setosa
2 versicolor
                        5.936
                                   0.4699110
3 virginica
                        6.588
                                  0.5518947
>
```

```
> summarise(mtcars2, mean(mpg), sd(mpg))
Source: local data frame [6 x 4]
Groups: cyl
 cyl am mean(mpg) sd(mpg)
      0 22.90000 1.4525839
    4 1 28.07500 4.4838599
      0 19.12500 1.6317169
4
      1 20.56667 0.7505553
5
      0 15.05000 2.7743959
6
     1 15.40000 0.5656854
>
```

Filter rows with filter()

- filter() allows you to select a subset of the rows of a data frame.
- ► The first argument is the name of the data frame, and the second and subsequent are filtering expressions evaluated in the context of that data frame.

```
iris.vir1 <- filter(iris,Species=="virginica")</pre>
# Species is Virginica OR Petal.length is
# greater than 3.2
iris.vir2 <- filter(iris,</pre>
    Species=="virginica" | Petal.Length >3.2)
iris.vir3 <- filter(iris,
    Species=="virginica" & Petal.Length >3.9)
```

Select columns with select()

- Often you work with large datasets with many columns where only a few are actually of interest to you.
- select() allows you to rapidly target on a useful subset using operations that usually only work on numeric variable positions.

Selection Options with select()

- starts_with(x, ignore.case = TRUE): names starts with x
- ends_with(x, ignore.case = TRUE): names ends in x
- contains(x, ignore.case = TRUE): selects all variables whose name contain
- matches(x, ignore.case = TRUE): selects all variables whose name matches expression x
- num_range("x", 1:5, width = 2): selects all variables (numerically) from x(
- one_of("x", "y", "z"): selects variables provided in a character vector.
- everything(): selects all variables.

Selection Options with select()

```
> select(iris,ends with("idth"))
   Sepal.Width Petal.Width
           3.5
                       0.2
           3.0
                      0.2
           3.2
                      0.2
           3.1
                     0.2
5
          3.6
                     0.2
6
           3.9
                     0.4
           3.4
                      0.3
8
           3.4
                     0.2
9
           2.9
                     0.2
10
           3.1
                      0.1
11
           3.7
                      0.2
12
          3.4
                     0.2
13
           3.0
                       0.1
```

Selection Options with select()

```
> select(iris, contains("etal"))
    Petal.Length Petal.Width
              1.4
                           0.2
2
              1.4
                           0.2
              1.3
                           0.2
              1.5
                           0.2
5
              1.4
                           0.2
6 7 8
              1.7
                           0.4
              1.4
                           0.3
              1.5
                           0.2
              1.4
                           0.2
```

The Idaho Data Set

```
> glimpse(idaho)
Variables:
        $ RT
$ SERIALNO
        (int) 186, 306, 395, 506, 835, 989, 1861, 2120, 2278, 242
        $ DIVISION
S PUMA
        (int) 700, 700, 100, 700, 800, 700, 700, 200, 400, 500, 4
        $ REGION
S ST
        S ADJUST
        (int) 1015675, 1015675, 1015675, 1015675, 1015675, 101567
S WGTP
        (int) 89, 310, 106, 240, 118, 115, 0, 35, 47, 51, 114, 51
        (int) 4, 1, 2, 4, 4, 4, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 1, 1, 2, 3,
S NP
$ TYPE
        (int) 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1,
S ACR
        (int) 1, NA, 1, 1, 2, 1, NA, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, NA, 1, 1,
S AGS
        (int) NA, NA, NA, NA, 1, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA,
S BDS
        (int) 4, 1, 3, 4, 5, 3, NA, 2, 3, 2, 3, 3, 2, NA, 3, 4, 5
S BLD
        (int) 2, 7, 2, 2, 2, NA, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 2, NA, 1, 2, 2
S BUS
        (int) 2, NA, 2, 2, 2, 2, NA, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, NA, 2, 2,
S CONP
        S ELEP
        (int) 180, 60, 70, 40, 250, 130, NA, 40, 2, 20, 50, 100,
$ FS
        $ FULP
        (int) 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, NA, 480, 2, 2, 2, 2, 600, NA, 2,
```

Idaho Data Set: Multiple Selections with select()

Remark: Regular Expressions.

```
idaho2 = select(idaho,
    contains("AX"),
    starts_with("FK"),
    starts_with("SM"),
    ends_with("SP")
)
```

Dropping Variables with select()

```
# Drop variables
select(iris, -starts_with("Petal"))
select(iris, -ends_with("Width"))
select(iris, -contains("etal"))
select(iris, -matches(".t."))
select(iris, -Petal.Length, -Petal.Width)
```

Ordering Data Sets with arrange()

- arrange() works similarly to filter() except that instead of filtering or selecting rows, it reorders them.
- It takes a data frame, and a set of column names (or more complicated expressions) to order by.
- If you provide more than one column name, each additional column will be used to break ties in the values of preceding columns.
- Use desc() (or rev()) to order a column in descending order.

>					
> arran	ge (iris, Pe	tal.Length, E	Petal.Width)		
Sep	al.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
1	4.6	3.6	1.0	0.2	setosa
2	4.3	3.0	1.1	0.1	setosa
3	5.8	4.0	1.2	0.2	setosa
4	5.0	3.2	1.2	0.2	setosa
5	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
6	5.5	3.5	1.3	0.2	setosa
7	4.4	3.0	1.3	0.2	setosa
8	4.4	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
9	5.0	3.5	1.3	0.3	setosa
10	4.5	2.3	1.3	0.3	setosa
11	5.4	3.9	1.3	0.4	setosa
12	4.8	3.0	1.4	0.1	setosa
13	4.9	3.6	1.4	0.1	setosa
14	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
15	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	setosa
16	5.0	3.6	1.4	0.2	setosa
17	4.4	2.9	1.4	0.2	setosa
18	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	setosa
19	5.5	4.2	1.4	0.2	setosa

> arrange(iris, Petal.Length, rev(Petal.Width))

	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
1	4.6	3.6	1.0	0.2	setosa
2	4.3	3.0	1.1	0.1	setosa
3	5.8	4.0	1.2	0.2	setosa
4	5.0	3.2	1.2	0.2	setosa
5	5.4	3.9	1.3	0.4	setosa
6	4.5	2.3	1.3	0.3	setosa
7	4.4	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
8	4.4	3.0	1.3	0.2	setosa
9	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
10	5.5	3.5	1.3	0.2	setosa
11	5.0	3.5	1.3	0.3	setosa
12	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
13	4.8	3.0	1.4	0.1	setosa

You can use sample_n() and sample_frac() to take a random sample of rows, either a fixed number for sample_n() or a fixed fraction for sample_frac().

```
> sample n(iris, 10)
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
12
            4.8
                        3.4
                                     1.6
                                                 0.2
                                                        setosa
86
            6.0
                        3.4
                                     4.5
                                                1.6 versicolor
137
            6.3
                        3.4
                                     5.6
                                                 2.4 virginica
94
            5.0
                        2.3
                                     3.3
                                                1.0 versicolor
56
            5.7
                        2.8
                                    4.5
                                                1.3 versicolor
36
            5.0
                        3.2
                                    1.2
                                               0.2
                                                        setosa
134
            6.3
                       2.8
                                    5.1
                                                1.5 virginica
7
            4.6
                       3.4
                                    1.4
                                                0.3
                                                        setosa
35
            4.9
                        3.1
                                    1.5
                                                0.2
                                                        setosa
15
            5.8
                        4.0
                                    1.2
                                                 0.2
                                                        setosa
>
```

```
> sample frac(iris, 0.08)
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width
                                                        Species
73
            6.3
                        2.5
                                     4.9
                                                 1.5 versicolor
51
            7.0
                        3.2
                                     4.7
                                                 1.4 versicolor
24
            5.1
                        3.3
                                     1.7
                                                 0.5
                                                         setosa
139
            6.0
                        3.0
                                     4.8
                                                 1.8 virginica
15
            5.8
                        4.0
                                     1.2
                                                 0.2
                                                     setosa
33
            5.2
                        4.1
                                     1.5
                                                 0.1
                                                        setosa
62
            5.9
                       3.0
                                     4.2
                                                1.5 versicolor
94
            5.0
                        2.3
                                     3.3
                                                1.0 versicolor
30
            4.7
                       3.2
                                     1.6
                                                0.2
                                                    setosa
22
            5.1
                       3.7
                                    1.5
                                                0.4 setosa
39
            4.4
                       3.0
                                    1.3
                                                0.2 setosa
58
            4.9
                        2.4
                                     3.3
                                                1.0 versicolor
>
```

```
> sample frac(iris.sp, 0.08)
Source: local data frame [12 x 5]
Groups: Species
   Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width
                                                     Species
123456789
                       3.6
           4.9
                                    1.4
                                                0.1
                                                        setosa
           5.1
                       3.8
                                    1.5
                                                0.3
                                                    setosa
           5.0
                       3.0
                                    1.6
                                                0.2
                                                    setosa
           5.2
                      4.1
                                   1.5
                                                0.1
                                                        setosa
           5.5
                       2.5
                                   4.0
                                               1.3 versicolor
           6.4
                       3.2
                                   4.5
                                               1.5 versicolor
           6.0
                      3.4
                                   4.5
                                               1.6 versicolor
           5.5
                       2.4
                                   3.7
                                                1.0 versicolor
           7.7
                      3.0
                                   6.1
                                                2.3 virginica
10
           6.1
                      2.6
                                  5.6
                                              1.4 virginica
11
           4.9
                      2.5
                                   4.5
                                                1.7 virginica
12
           6.8
                       3.0
                                   5.5
                                                2.1 virginica
>
```

As well as selecting from the set of existing columns, its often useful to add new columns that are functions of existing columns. This is the job of mutate():

```
iris2 = mutate(iris,
PW2 = log(Petal.Width),
PL2=sqrt(Petal.Length) )
head(iris2)
```

```
> iris2 = mutate(iris, PW2 = log(Petal.Width), PL2=sgrt(Petal.Length))
> head(iris2)
  Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
                                                               PW2
                                             0.2 setosa -1.6094379 1.1
          5.1
                     3.5
                                  1.4
          4.9
                                  1.4
                                             0.2 setosa -1.6094379 1.1
                     3.0
          4.7
                     3.2
                                  1.3
                                             0.2 setosa -1.6094379 1.1
         4.6
                    3.1
                                 1.5
                                         0.2 setosa -1.6094379 1.2
         5.0
                    3.6
                                 1.4
                                            0.2 setosa -1.6094379 1.1
         5.4
                     3.9
                                 1.7
                                            0.4 setosa -0.9162907 1.3
```

mutate allows you to refer to columns that you just created:

```
iris3 = mutate(iris,
PW2 = log(Petal.Width),
PL2=sqrt(Petal.Length),
Ratio=PL2/PW2 )
head(iris3)
```

```
5 5.0 3.6 1.4 0.2
6 5.4 3.9 1.7 0.4
Species PW2 PL2 Ratio
1 setosa -1.6094379 1.183216 -0.7351734
2 setosa -1.6094379 1.183216 -0.7351734
3 setosa -1.6094379 1.140175 -0.7084308
4 setosa -1.6094379 1.224745 -0.7609768
5 setosa -1.6094379 1.183216 -0.7351734
6 setosa -0.9162907 1.303840 -1.4229550
>
```

Multiple table verbs

As well as verbs that work on a single tbl, there are also a set of useful verbs that work with two tbls at a time: joins and set operations.

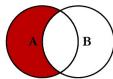
Joins

dplyr implements the four most useful joins from SQL:

- ▶ inner_join(x, y): matching x + y
- ▶ left_join(x, y): all x + matching y
- semi_join(x, y): all x with match in y
- ▶ anti_join(x, y): all x without match in y

В

SELECT <select list> FROM TableA A LEFT IOIN TableB B

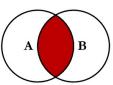


ON A.Key = B.Key

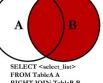
SELECT <select list> FROM TableA A LEFT JOIN TableB B ON A.Key = B.Key WHERE B.Key IS NULL

> SELECT <select list> FROM TableA A FULL OUTER JOIN TableB B ON A.Key = B.Key

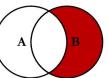
SQL JOINS



SELECT < select list> FROM TableA A INNER JOIN TableB B ON A.Key = B.Key



RIGHT IOIN TableB B ON A.Key = B.Key



SELECT < select list> FROM TableA A RIGHT JOIN TableB B ON A.Key = B.Key WHERE A.Key IS NULL

SELECT <select list> FROM TableA A FULL OUTER JOIN TableB B ON A.Key = B.KeyWHERE A.Key IS NULL OR B.Key IS NULL





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Joins

Pretend data set listing country of origin for each species. The variables "Species" is common to both data frames.

Figure: Second Data Frame

Joins

```
>
> irisnewdata = data.frame(Species=c("virginica", "setosa", "versicolor"), origin=c(
>
>
> left join(iris,irisnewdata)
Joining by: "Species"
      Species Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width origin
1
      setosa
                      5.1
                                 3.5
                                              1.4
                                                         0.2 Scotland
                                              1.4
                                                         0.2 Scotland
2
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Set Theory Operations

dplyr implements the methods for set theory operations

- ▶ intersect(x, y): all rows in both x and y
- ▶ union(x, y): rows in either x or y
- setdiff(x, y): rows in x, but not y