# Lecture 3: Pipes and creating variables using mutate()

EDUC 263: Managing and Manipulating Data Using R

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1 Introduction

### What we will do today

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### Libraries we will use today

"Load" the package we will use today (output omitted)

o you must run this code chunk

```
library(tidyverse)
```

If package not yet installed, then must install before you load. Install in "console" rather than .Rmd file

- o Generic syntax: install.packages("package\_name")
- o Install "tidyverse": install.packages("tidyverse")

Note: when we load package, name of package is not in quotes; but when we install package, name of package is in quotes:

- install.packages("tidyverse")
- o library(tidyverse)

1.1 Finish lecture 2, filter and arrange (i.e., sort)

#### Load data for lecture 2

Data on off-campus recruiting events by public universities

```
rm(list = ls()) # remove all objects
#load dataset with one obs per recruiting event
load(url("https://github.com/ozanj/rclass/raw/master/data/recruiting/recruit_eve
#load dataset with one obs per high school
load(url("https://github.com/ozanj/rclass/raw/master/data/recruiting/recruit_sch
```

#### Object df event

o Off-campus recruiting project; one obs per university, recruiting event

#### Object df\_school

 Off-campus recruiting project; one obs per high school (visited and non-visited)

Work through lecture 2 slides on filter() and arrange()

1.2 Data for lecture 3

### Lecture 3 data: prospects purchased by Western Washington U.

#### The "Student list" business

- Universities identify/target "prospects" by buying "student lists" from College Board/ACT (e.g., \$.40 per prospect)
- Prospect lists contain contact info (e.g., address, email), academic achievement, socioeconomic, demographic characteristics
- Universities choose which prospects to purchase by filtering on criteria like zip-code, GPA, test score range, etc.

```
#load prospect list data
load(url("https://github.com/ozanj/rclass/raw/master/data/prospect_list/wwwlist_m
```

#### Object wwlist

- De-identified list of prospective students purchased by Western Washington University from College Board
- We collected these data using FOIA request
  - ASIDE: Become an expert on collecting data via FOIA requests and you will become a superstar!

### Lecture 3 data: prospects purchased by Western Washington U.

Observations on wwlist

o each observation represents a prospective student

```
typeof(wwlist)
#> [1] "list"
dim(wwlist)
#> [1] 268396 31
```

#### Variables on wwlist.

- o some vars provide de-identified data on individual prospects
  - ▶ e.g., psat\_range, state, sex, ethn\_code
- o some vars provide data about zip-code student lives in
  - ▶ e.g., med\_inc , pop\_total , pop\_black
- o some vars provide data about school student enrolled in
  - ▶ e.g., fr lunch is number of students on free/reduced lunch
  - ▶ note: bad merge between prospect-level data and school-level data

```
names(wwlist)
str(wwlist)
```

### 2 Pipes

### What are "pipes", %>%

#### Pipes are a means of perfoming multiple steps in a single line of code

- o Pipes are part of tidyverse suite of packages, not base R
- When writing code, the pipe symbol is %>%
- Basic flow of using pipes in code:
  - ▷ object %>% some\_function %>% some\_function, \ldots
- Pipes work from left to right:
  - The object/result from left of %>% pipe symbol is the input of function to the right of the %>% pipe symbol
  - ▶ In turn, the resulting output becomes the input of the function to the right of the next %>% pipe symbol

#### Intuitive mnemonic device for understanding pipes

- whenever you see a pipe %>% think of the words "and then..."
- o Example: wwlist %>% filter(firstgen == "Y")
  - ▶ in words: start with object wwlist and then filter first generation students

Task:

Using object wwlist print data for "first-generation" prospects (firstgen == "Y")

```
filter(wwlist, firstgen == "Y") # without pipes
wwlist %>% filter(firstgen == "Y") # with pipes
```

#### Comparing the two approaches:

- In the "without pipes" approach, the object is the first argument filter()
- In the "pipes" approach, you don't specify the object as the first argument of filter()
  - Why? Because %>% "pipes" the object to the left of the %>% operator into the function to the right of the %>% operator

#### Main takeaway:

- When writing code using pipes, functions to right of %>% pipe operator should not explicitly name object that is the input to the function.
- Rather, object to the left of %>% pipe operator is automatically the input.

More intuition on the pipe operator, %>%

The pipe operator "pipes" (verb) an object from left of  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\%-\!\!\!/}}\mbox{\ensuremath{\%-\!\!\!\!/}}$  operator into the function to the right of the  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\%-\!\!\!\!/}}\mbox{\ensuremath{\%-\!\!\!\!/}}$  operator

Example:

```
str(wwlist) # without pipe
wwlist %>% str() # with pipe
```

```
#Without pipes
select(filter(wwlist, firstgen == "Y"), state, hs_city, sex)
#With pipes
wwlist %>% filter(firstgen == "Y") %>% select(state, hs_city, sex)
```

#### Comparing the two approaches:

- In the "without pipes" approach, code is written "inside out"
  - ▶ The first step in the task identifying the object is the innermost part of code
  - ▶ The last step in task selecting variables to print is the outermost part of code
- In "pipes" approach the left-to-right order of code matches how we think about the task
  - ▶ First, we start with an object and then (%>%) we use filter() to isolate first-gen students and then (%>%) we select which variables to print

Note the object "piped" into select() from filter()

```
wwlist %>% filter(firstgen == "Y") %>% str()
```

#### Task:

 Count the number "first-generation" prospects from the state of Washington

#### Without pipes

### With pipes

**Task**: Create frequency table of school\_type for non first-gen prospects from WA

without pipes

```
wwlist_temp <- filter(wwlist, firstgen == "N", state == "WA")
table(wwlist_temp$school_type, useNA = "always")
#>
#> private public <NA>
#> 11 46146 12489
rm(wwlist_temp) # cuz we don't need after creating table
```

#### With pipes

### Comparing the two approachces

#### Comparison of two approaches

- o without pipes, task requires multiple lines of code; this is quite common
  - ▶ first line creates object; second line analyzes object
- with pipes, task can be completed in one line of code and you aren't left with objects you don't care about

### Student exercises with pipes

- 1. Using object wwlist select the following variables (state, firstgen, ethn\_code) and assign them to object wwlist\_temp.
- 2. Using the object you just created wwlist\_temp, create a frequency table
  of ethn\_code for first-gen prospects from California.
- 3. **Bonus**: Try doing question 1 and 2 together. Use original object wwlist, but do not assign to a new object.

Once finished you can rm(wwlist\_temp)

### Solution to exercises with pipes

 Using object wwlist select the following variables (state, firstgen, ethn\_code) and assign them to object wwlist\_small

```
wwlist_temp <- wwlist %>%
  select(state, firstgen, ethn_code)
```

### Solution to exercises with pipes

2. Using the object you just created wwlist\_temp, create a frequency table
of ethn\_code for first-gen prospects from California.

```
#names(wwlist)
wwlist_temp %>%
 filter(firstgen == "Y", state == "CA") %>% count(ethn code)
#> # A tibble: 11 x 2
#> ethn code
                                                             n
#> <fct>
                                                         <int.>
#> 1 American Indian or Alaska Native
#> 2 Asian or Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
                                                            81
#> 3 Asian or Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific IslanderH
                                                            5
#> 4 Black or African American
                                                            10
#> 5 Cuban
#> 6 Mexican/Mexican American
                                                           643
#> 7 Not reported
                                                           113
#> 8 Other-2 or more
                                                          4197
#> 9 Other Spanish/Hispanic
                                                           179
#> 10 Puerto Rican
#> 11 White
                                                          2933
```

### Solution to exercises with pipes

3. **Bonus**: Try doing question 1 and 2 together.

```
wwlist %>%
 select(state, firstgen, ethn_code) %>%
 filter(firstgen == "Y", state == "CA") %>%
 count(ethn code)
#> # A tibble: 11 x 2
#> ethn code
#> <fct>
                                                         <int.>
#> 1 American Indian or Alaska Native
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                                                           113
#> 8 Other-2 or more
                                                          4197
#> 9 Other Spanish/Hispanic
                                                           179
#> 10 Puerto Rican
#> 11 White
                                                          2933
#rm(wwlist_temp)
```

```
rm(wwlist_temp)
```

3 Creating variables using mutate

### Our plan for learning how to create new variables

Recall that dplyr package within tidyverse provide a set of functions that can be described as "verbs": **subsetting**, **sorting**, and **transforming** 

What we've done			Where we're going				
Subsetting data			Transforming data				
-	select()	variables	-	<pre>mutate()</pre>	cr	eates new variables	
-	filter()	observations	-	summarize	()	calculates across rows	
Sorting data			-	group_by(	)	to calculate across rows within groups	
-	- arrange()						

#### **Today**

 we'll use mutate() to create new variables based on calculations across columns within a row

#### **Next week**

 we'll combine mutate() with summarize() and group\_by() to create variables based on calculations across rows

### Create new data frame based on df\_school\_all

Data frame df\_school\_all has one obs per US high school and then variables identifying number of visits by particular universities

```
load(url("https://github.com/ozanj/rclass/raw/master/data/recruiting/recruit_sch
names(df_school_all)
#> [1] "state code"
                              "school type"
                                                    "ncessch"
#> [4] "name"
                              "address"
                                                    "city"
#> [7] "zip_code"
                              "pct white"
                                                    "pct_black"
#> [10] "pct_hispanic"
                              "pct asian"
                                                    "pct amerindian"
#> [13] "pct_other"
                              "num_fr_lunch"
                                                    "total_students"
                              "num prof math"
                                                    "num took rla"
#> [16] "num took math"
#> [19] "num_prof_rla"
                              "avgmedian_inc_2564" "latitude"
#> [22] "longitude"
                              "visits by 196097"
                                                   "visits by 186380"
#> [25] "visits by 215293"
                              "visits by 201885"
                                                    "visits by 181464"
#> [28] "visits_by_139959"
                              "visits_by_218663"
                                                    "visits_by_100751"
#> [31] "visits by 199193"
                              "visits by 110635"
                                                    "visits by 110653"
#> [34] "visits by 126614"
                              "visits by 155317"
                                                    "visits by 106397"
#> [37] "visits by 149222"
                              "visits by 166629"
                                                    "total visits"
#> [40] "inst 196097"
                              "inst 186380"
                                                    "inst 215293"
#> [43] "inst 201885"
                              "inst 181464"
                                                    "inst 139959"
#> [46] "inst 218663"
                              "inst 100751"
                                                    "inst 199193"
#> [49] "inst 110635"
                              "inst_110653"
                                                    "inst 126614"
#> [52] "inst 155317"
                              "inst 106397"
                                                    "inst 149222"
#> [55] "inst 166629"
```

### Create new data frame based on df\_school\_all

names(school v2)

Let's create new version of this data frame, called  $\mbox{school\_v2}$ , which we'll use to introduce how to create new variables

```
school v2 <- df school all %>%
  select(-contains("inst_")) %>% # remove vars that start with "inst_"
  rename(
    visits by berkeley = visits by 110635,
    visits by_boulder = visits_by_126614,
    visits by bama = visits by 100751,
    visits_by_stonybrook = visits_by_196097,
    visits by rutgers = visits by 186380,
    visits by pitt = visits by 215293,
    visits_by_cinci = visits_by_201885,
    visits by nebraska = visits by 181464,
    visits by georgia = visits by 139959,
    visits by scarolina = visits by 218663,
    visits by ncstate = visits by 199193,
    visits_by_irvine = visits_by_110653,
    visits by kansas = visits by 155317,
    visits by arkansas = visits by 106397,
    visits_by_sillinois = visits_by_149222,
    visits by umass = visits by 166629,
    num took read = num took rla,
    num_prof_read = num_prof_rla,
    med inc = avgmedian inc 2564)
```

3.1 Introduce mutate() function

### Introduce mutate() function

mutate() is tidyverse approach to creating variables (not Base R approach)

Description of mutate()

- mutate() creates new columns (variables) that are functions of existing columns
- o After creating a new variable using mutate(), every row of data is retained
- o mutate() works best with pipes %>%

#### Task:

 Using data frame school\_v2 create new variable that measures the pct of students on free/reduced lunch (output omitted)

```
school_sml <- school_v2 %>% # create new dataset with fewer vars; not necessary
select(ncessch, school_type, num_fr_lunch, total_students)
school_sml %>%
   mutate(pct_fr_lunch = num_fr_lunch/total_students) # create new var
rm(school_sml)
```

```
Syntax for mutate()
```

Let's spend a couple minutes looking at help file for mutate()

?mutate

#### Usage (i.e., syntax)

o mutate(.data,...)

#### **Arguments**

- data: a data frame
  - ▶ if using mutate() after pipe operator %>%, then this argument can be omitted
    - Why? Because data frame object to left of %>% "piped in" to first argument of mutate()
- o ...: expressions used to create new variables
- Can create multiple variables at once

#### Value

 returns an object that contains the original input data frame and new variables that were created by mutate()

#### Useful functions (i.e., "helper functions")

- These are standalone functions can be called within mutate()
  - ▷ e.g., if else(), recode(), case when()
- o will show examples of this in subsequent slides

### Introduce mutate() function

New variable not retained unless we **assign** <- it to an object (existing or new)

#### mutate() without assignment

```
school_v2 %>% mutate(pct_fr_lunch = num_fr_lunch/total_students)
names(school_v2)
```

#### mutate() with assignment

```
school_v2_temp <- school_v2 %>%
  mutate(pct_fr_lunch = num_fr_lunch/total_students)
names(school_v2_temp)
rm(school_v2_temp)
```

## Aside: Base R approach to creating new variables

Create measure of percent of students on free-reduced lunch

#### dplyr/tidyverse approach

```
school_v2_temp <- school_v2 %>%
mutate(pct_fr_lunch = num_fr_lunch/total_students)
```

#### **Base R approach**

```
school_v2_temp <- school_v2 # create copy of dataset; not necessary
school_v2_temp$pct_fr_lunch <- school_v2_temp$num_fr_lunch/school_v2_temp$total_
names(school_v2_temp)
rm(school_v2_temp)</pre>
```

Good to know both Base R and tidyverse approaches; sometimes you need to use one or the other

- But overwhelming to learn both approaches at once
- We'll focus mostly on learning tidyverse approaches
- o But I'll try to work-in opportunities to learn Base R approach

### mutate() can create multiple variables at once

### mutate() can create multiple variables at once

#### Or we could write code this way:

### Student exercise using mutate()

- Using the object school\_v2, select the following variables
   (num\_prof\_math, num\_took\_math, num\_prof\_read, num\_took\_read) and
   create a measure of percent proficient in math pct\_prof\_math and
   percent proficient in reading pct\_prof\_read.
- Now using the code for question 1, filter schools where at least 50% of students are proficient in math & reading.
- 3. If you have time, count the number of schools from question 2.

### Solutions for exercise using mutate()

 Using the object school\_v2, select the following variables (num\_prof\_math, num\_took\_math, num\_prof\_read, num\_took\_read) and create a measure of percent proficient in math and percent proficient in reading.

```
school v2 %>%
 select(num_prof_math, num_took_math, num_prof_read, num_took_read) %>%
 mutate(pct prof math = num prof math/num took math,
        pct_prof_read = num_prof_read/num_took_read)
#> # A tibble: 21,301 x 6
     num prof math num took math num prof read num took read pct prof math
#>
#>
             <db1>
                           <db1>
                                         <db1>
                                                       <db1>
                                                                    <db1>
             24.8
                                         25.0
#> 1
                             146
                                                         147
                                                                    0.17
#> 2
              1.7
                              17
                                         1.7
                                                         17
                                                                    0.10
#> 3
              3.5
                              14
                                          3.5
                                                         14
                                                                    0.25
#>
                              30
                                          .3
                                                         30
                                                                    0.1
#> 5
              2.8
                              28
                                          2.8
                                                         28
                                                                    0.10
#>
              2.5
                              25
                                          2.4
                                                         24
                                                                    0.1
              1.55
                              62
                                         1.55
                                                         62
                                                                    0.025
#>
#>
              2.1
                              21
                                          2.2
                                                         22
                                                                    0.1
              2.3
                              23
                                          2.3
                                                         23
                                                                    0.10
#>
#> 10
              1.9
                              19
                                          1.9
                                                         19
                                                                    0.10
#> # ... with 21,291 more rows, and 1 more variable: pct_prof_read <dbl>
```

### Solutions for exercise using mutate()

2. Now using the code for question 1, filter schools where at least 50% of students are proficient in math & reading.

```
school v2 %>%
 select(num prof math, num took math, num prof read, num took read) %>%
 mutate(pct_prof_math = num_prof_math/num_took_math,
        pct_prof_read = num_prof_read/num_took_read) %>%
 filter(pct_prof_math >= 0.5 & pct_prof_read >= 0.5)
#> # A tibble: 7,760 x 6
     num prof math num took math num prof read num took read pct prof math
#>
#>
            <db1>
                         <db1>
                                      <db1>
                                                   <db1>
                                                                <db1>
            135.
                           260
                                      149
                                                     261
                                                                0.520
#> 1
#> 2
            299.
                           475
                                      418
                                                     475
                                                                0.63
#> 3
            213.
                           410
                                      332.
                                                    410
                                                                0.52
           54.6
                                      96.6
                                                    105
                                                                0.52
#>
                         105
#> 5
           111.
                          121
                                      118.
                                                   121
                                                                0.92
#> 6
           1057.
                        1994
                                     1477.
                                                    2204
                                                               0.530
#> 7
           100.
                          103
                                     125.
                                                    128
                                                               0.975
#> 8
            56.4
                          99
                                      84.4
                                                    148
                                                                0.570
#>
            445.
                           586
                                      392
                                                     594
                                                                0.76
#> 10
             56.0
                            59
                                      53.1
                                                      61
                                                                0.95
#> # ... with 7,750 more rows, and 1 more variable: pct prof read <dbl>
```

### Solutions for exercise using mutate()

3. If you have time, count the number of schools from question 2.

3.2 Using ifelse() function within mutate()

```
Using ifelse() function within mutate() ?if_else
```

#### **Description**

o if condition TRUE, assign a value; if condition FALSE assign a value

#### Usage (i.e., syntax)

o if else(logical condition, true, false, missing = NULL)

#### **Arguments**

- o logical condition: a condition that evaluates to TRUE or FALSE
- o true : value to assign if condition TRUE
- o false: value to assign if condition FALSE

#### Value

- "Where condition is TRUE, the matching value from true, where it's FALSE, the matching value from false, otherwise NA."
- missing values from "input" var are assigned missing values in "output var", unless you specify otherwise

**Example**: Create 0/1 indicator of whether high school got at least one visit from Berkeley

```
school_v2 %>%
mutate(got_visit_berkeley = ifelse(visits_by_berkeley>0,1,0)) %>%
count(got_visit_berkeley)
```

## Using ifelse() function within mutate()

#### Task

o Create 0/1 indicator if school has median income greater than \$100,000

Usually a good idea to investigate "input" variables before creating analysis vars

```
school_v2 %>% count(med_inc) # this isn't very helpful
school_v2 %>% filter(is.na(med_inc)) %>% count(med_inc)
# shows number of obs w/ missing med_inc
```

#### Create variable

## Using ifelse() function within mutate()

#### **Task**

- Create 0/1 indicator variable nonmiss\_math which indicates whether school has non-missing values for the variable num\_took\_math
  - note: num\_took\_math refers to number of students at school that took state math proficiency test

Usually a good to investigate "input" variables before creating analysis vars

```
school_v2 %>% count(num_took_math) # this isn't very helpful school_v2 %>% filter(is.na(num_took_math)) %>% count(num_took_math) # shows number took_math) # shows number took_math)
```

#### Create variable

### Student exercises ifelse()

- Using the object school\_v2, create 0/1 indicator variable in\_state\_berkeley that equals 1 if the high school is in the same state as UC Berkeley (i.e., state\_code=="CA").
- Create 0/1 indicator berkeley\_and\_irvine of whether a school got at least one visit from UC Berkeley AND from UC Irvine.
- Create 0/1 indicator berkeley\_or\_irvine of whether a school got at least one visit from UC Berkeley OR from UC Irvine.

### Exercise ifelse() solutions

 Using the object school\_v2, create 0/1 indicator variable in\_state\_berkeley that equals 1 if the high school is in the same state as UC Berkeley (i.e., state\_code=="CA").

school\_v2 %>% mutate(in\_state\_berkeley=ifelse(state\_code=="CA",1,0)) %>%
count(in\_state\_berkeley)

### Exercise ifelse() solutions

Create 0/1 indicator berkeley\_and\_irvine of whether a school got at least one visit from UC Berkeley AND from UC Irvine.

```
school_v2 %>%
mutate(berkeley_and_irvine=ifelse(visits_by_berkeley>0 & visits_by_irvine>0,1,
    count(berkeley_and_irvine)
```

### Exercise ifelse() solutions

3. Create 0/1 indicator berkeley\_or\_irvine of whether a school got at least one visit from UC Berkeley **OR** from UC Irvine.

```
school_v2 %>%
mutate(berkeley_or_irvine=ifelse(visits_by_berkeley>0 | visits_by_irvine>0,1,0
count(berkeley or irvine)
```

3.3 Using recode() function within mutate()

# Using recode() function within mutate()

**Description**: Recode values of a variable

### Usage (i.e., syntax)

```
recode(.x, ..., .default = NULL, .missing = NULL)
```

### Arguments [see help file for further details]

wwlist temp %>% count(public school)

rm(wwlist temn)

- o .x A vector (e.g., variable) to modify
- Specifications for recode, of the form
   current value = new recoded value
- o .default : If supplied, all values not otherwise matched given this value.
- $\circ \hspace{0.1in} \texttt{.missing} : If supplied, any missing values in .x replaced by this value. \\$

Example: Using data frame wwlist , create new 0/1 indicator public\_school from variable school\_type

```
str(wwlist$school_type)
wwlist %>% count(school_type)

wwlist_temp <- wwlist %>% select(school_type) %>%
   mutate(public_school = recode(school_type, "public" = 1, "private" = 0))

wwlist_temp %>% head(n=10)
str(wwlist_temp$public_school)
```

## Using recode() function within mutate()

Recoding school\_type could have been accomplished using if\_else()

o Use recode() when new variable has more than two categories

**Task**: Create school\_catv2 based on school\_category with these categories:

"regular"; "alternative"; "special"; "vocational"

Investigate input var

```
str(wwlist$school_category)
wwlist %>% count(school_category)
```

#### Recode

```
wwlist_temp <- wwlist %>% select(school_category) %>%
  mutate(school_catv2 = recode(school_category,
    "Alternative Education School" = "alternative",
    "Alternative/other" = "alternative",
    "Regular elementary or secondary" = "regular",
    "Regular School" = "regular",
    "Special Education School" = "special",
    "Special program emphasis" = "special",
    "Vocational Education School" = "vocational")
)
str(wwlist_temp$school_catv2)
wwlist_temp %>% count(school_catv2)
wwlist %>% count(school_category)
```

## Using recode() within mutate() [do in pairs/groups]

**Task**: Create school\_catv2 based on school\_category with these categories:

- "regular"; "alternative"; "special"; "vocational"
- o This time use the ".missing" argument to recode "NAs" to "unknown"

```
wwlist temp <- wwlist %>% select(school category) %>%
  mutate(school catv2 = recode(school category,
    "Alternative Education School" = "alternative",
    "Alternative/other" = "alternative",
    "Regular elementary or secondary" = "regular",
    "Regular School" = "regular",
    "Special Education School" = "special",
    "Special program emphasis" = "special",
    "Vocational Education School" = "vocational",
    .missing = "unknown")
str(wwlist temp$school catv2)
wwlist_temp %>% count(school_catv2)
wwlist %>% count(school_category)
rm(wwlist temp)
```

## Using recode() within mutate() [do in pairs/groups]

**Task**: Create school\_catv2 based on school\_category with these categories:

- "regular"; "alternative"; "special"; "vocational"
- o This time use the .default argument to assign the value "regular"

```
wwlist_temp <- wwlist %>% select(school_category) %>%
mutate(school_catv2 = recode(school_category,
    "Alternative Education School" = "alternative",
    "Alternative/other" = "alternative",
    "Special Education School" = "special",
    "Special program emphasis" = "special",
    "Vocational Education School" = "vocational",
    .default = "regular")
  )
str(wwlist_temp$school_catv2)
wwlist_temp %>% count(school_catv2)
wwlist_temp %>% count(school_category)
rm(wwlist_temp)
```

## Using recode() within mutate() [do in pairs/groups]

Task: Create school\_catv2 based on school\_category with these categories:

- o This time create a numeric variable rather than character:
  - ▶ 1 for "regular"; 2 for "alternative"; 3 for "special"; 4 for "vocational"

```
wwlist temp <- wwlist %>% select(school category) %>%
  mutate(school_catv2 = recode(school_category,
    "Alternative Education School" = 2,
    "Alternative/other" = 2.
    "Regular elementary or secondary" = 1,
    "Regular School" = 1,
    "Special Education School" = 3,
    "Special program emphasis" = 3,
    "Vocational Education School" = 4)
str(wwlist temp$school catv2)
wwlist temp %>% count(school catv2)
wwlist %>% count(school_category)
rm(wwlist temp)
```

### Student exercise using recode() within mutate()

- Using object df\_event, create event\_typev2 based on event\_type with these categories:
- 1 for "2yr college"; 2 for "4yr college"; 3 for "other"; 4 for "private hs"; 5 for "public hs"
- Assign new object df\_event\_temp
- 2. This time use the <code>.default</code> argument to assign the value <code>5</code> for "public hs"

### Exercise using recode() within mutate() solutions

- Using object df\_event, create event\_typev2 based on event\_type with these categories:
- 1 for "2yr college"; 2 for "4yr college"; 3 for "other"; 4 for "private hs"; 5 for "public hs"
   Assign new object df\_event\_temp

### Exercise using recode() within mutate() solutions

2. This time use the .default argument to assign the value 5 for "public hs"

```
df_event %>% select(event_type) %>%
 mutate(event_typev2 = recode(event_type,
   "2yr college" = 1,
   "4vr college" = 2,
   "other" = 3.
   "private hs" = 4,
   .default = 5)
#> # A tibble: 18,680 x 2
#> event_type event_typev2
#> <chr> <dbl>
#> 1 public hs
#> 2 public hs
#> 3 public hs
#> 4 public hs
#> 5 public hs
#> 6 private hs
#> 7 private hs
#> 8 public hs
#> 9 private hs
#> 10 public hs
#> # ... with 18,670 more rows
str(df_event_temp$event_typev2)
#> num [1:18680] 5 5 5 5 5 4 4 5 4 5 ...
df_event_temp %>% count(event_typev2)
```

3.4 Using case\_when() function within mutate()

## Using case\_when() function within mutate()

**Description** Useful when the variable you want to create is more complicated than variables that can be created using ifelse() or recode()

 For example, useful when new variable is a function of multiple "input" variables

### Usage (i.e., syntax): case\_when(...)

Arguments [from help file; see help file for more details]

- . . . : A sequence of two-sided formulas.
  - ▶ The left hand side (LHS) determines which values match this case.
    - LHS must evaluate to a logical vector.
  - ▶ The right hand side (RHS) provides the replacement value.

**Example task**: Using data frame wwlist and input vars state and firstgen, create a 4-category var with following categories:

"instate\_firstgen"; "instate\_nonfirstgen"; "outstate\_firstgen"; "outstate\_nonfirstgen"

```
wwlist_temp <- wwlist %>% select(state,firstgen) %>%
mutate(state_gen = case_when(
   state == "WA" & firstgen =="Y" ~ "instate_firstgen",
   state == "WA" & firstgen =="N" ~ "instate_nonfirstgen",
   state != "WA" & firstgen =="Y" ~ "outstate_firstgen",
   state != "WA" & firstgen =="N" ~ "outstate_nonfirstgen")
)
str(wwlist_temp$state_gen)
```

## Using case\_when() function within mutate()

```
"instate_firstgen"; "instate_nonfirstgen"; "outstate_firstgen";
"outstate_nonfirstgen"
```

Let's take a closer look at how values of inputs are coded into values of outputs

```
wwlist %>% select(state,firstgen) %>% str()
count(wwlist.state)
count(wwlist,firstgen)
wwlist_temp <- wwlist %>% select(state,firstgen) %>%
  mutate(state_gen = case_when(
    state == "WA" & firstgen =="Y" ~ "instate firstgen",
    state == "WA" & firstgen =="N" ~ "instate nonfirstgen",
    state != "WA" & firstgen == "Y" ~ "outstate firstgen",
    state != "WA" & firstgen =="N" ~ "outstate nonfirstgen")
wwlist temp %>% count(state gen)
wwlist_temp %>% filter(is.na(state)) %>% count(state_gen)
wwlist temp %>% filter(is.na(firstgen)) %>% count(state gen)
```

## Student exercise using case\_when() within mutate()

- 1. Using the object <code>school\_v2</code> and input vars <code>school\_type</code>, and <code>state\_code</code>, create a 4-category var with following categories:
- "instate\_public"; "instate\_private"; "outstate\_public"; "outstate\_private"

# Exercise using case\_when() within mutate() solution

Investigate

```
school_v2 %>% select(state_code,school_type) %>% str()
#> Classes 'tbl df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame': 21301 obs. of 2 variables:
#> $ state_code : chr "AK" "AK" "AK" "AK" ...
#> $ school_type: chr "public" "public" "public" "public" ...
count(school v2,state code)
#> # A tibble: 51 x 2
#> state code n
#> <chr> <int>
#> 1 AK 84
#> 2 AL 440
#> 3 AR 266
#> 4 AZ 455
#> 5 CA 1770
#> 6 CO 350
#> 7 CT 252
#> 8 DC
       46
#> 9 DE
       51
#> 10 FL 792
#> # ... with 41 more rows
count(school v2,school type)
#> # A tibble: 2 x 2
#> school_type n
#> <chr> <int>
#> 1 private 3822
#> 2 public 17479
```

### Exercise using case\_when() within mutate() solution

- 1. Using the object school\_v2 and input vars school\_type, and state\_code, create a 4-category var with following categories:
- o "instate\_public"; "instate\_private"; "outstate\_public"; "outstate\_private"

```
school v2 temp <- school v2 %>% select(state code, school type) %>%
 mutate(state_type = case_when(
   state code == "CA" & school type == "public" ~ "instate public",
   state code == "CA" & school type == "private" ~ "instate private",
   state code != "CA" & school_type == "public" ~ "outstate_public",
   state code != "CA" & school type == "private" ~ "outstate private")
school v2 temp %>% count(state type)
#> # A tibble: 4 x 2
#> <chr> <int>
#> 1 instate_private 366
#> 2 instate public 1404
#> 3 outstate_private 3456
#> 4 outstate_public 16075
#school v2 temp %>% filter(is.na(state code)) %>% count(state type) #no missing
#school_v2_temp %>% filter(is.na(school_type)) %>% count(state_type) #no missing
```

### Mutate to create indicator variables

We often create dichotomous (0/1) indicator variables of whether something happened (or whether something is TRUE)

- Variables that are of substantive interest to project
  - e.g., did student graduate from college
- o Variables that help you investigate data, check quality
  - e.g., indicator of whether an observation is missing/non-missing for a particular variable

Let's conduct some investigations of  $\,\mathrm{df\_school}$  , which has one observation for each high school

### Creating indicators for df\_schoolv2 data frame

Create TRUE/FALSE indicator that median household income greater than \$50,000

```
school_v2_temp <- school_v2 %>% mutate(incgt50k = med_inc>50000)
school_v2_temp %>% select(med_inc, incgt50k) %>% head(n=3)
#> # A tibble: 3 x 2
#> med inc incgt50k
#> <dbl> <lgl>
#> 1 76160 TRUE
#> 2 76160 TRUE
#> 3 NA NA
school_v2_temp %>% filter(is.na(med_inc)) %>% count(incgt50k)
#> # A tibble: 1 x 2
#> incgt50k n
#> <lg1> <int>
#> 1 NA 624
```

#### Important takeaway:

 Variable created by mutate() equals NA for obs if input variable to mutate() is missing for that obs. This is a good thing!

3.5 Alternative approach to creating 0/1 indicators

### Creating indicators for school\_v2 data frame

PATRICIA - I WROTE THESE BELOW SLIDES IN SUMMER BEFORE I KNEW ABOUT ifelse(): YOU MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO ME ABOUT

WHETHER THESE SLIDES SHOULD BE CUT Create TRUE/FALSE indicator that school is less than 50 percent white

```
school_v2_temp <- school_v2 %>% mutate(lt50pctwhite = pct_white<50)
school_v2_temp %>% select(pct_white,lt50pctwhite) %>% head(n=3)
#> # A tibble: 3 x 2
#> pct_white lt50pctwhite
#> <dbl> <lgl>
#> 1 11.8 TRUE
#> 2 0 TRUE
#> 3 0 TRUE
#> 3 0 TRUE
#> 3 0 TRUE
#> 1 logi [1:21301] TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE
#> 1 logi [1:21301] TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE
```

#### Create 0/1 integer indicator rather than logical indicator

#> 3 0

str(df schoolv2 temp\$lt50pctwhite)

### Student exercises

#> 10

#> # ... with 559 more rows

0/1 indicators of whether school received visit from each university

```
school_v2 %>% count(visits_by_berkeley)
#> # A tibble: 4 x 2
   visits_by_berkeley n
#>
                 <int> <int>
#>
                     0 20732
#> 1
#> 2
                         528
#> 3
                       36
#> 4
                           5
school_v2_temp <- school_v2 %>% mutate(yesvis_berkeley = visits_by_berkeley>0)
school_v2_temp %>% filter(visits_by_berkeley>0) %>% select(visits_by_berkeley,vi
#> # A tibble: 569 x 1
#>
   visits by berkeley
                  <int>
#>
#> 1
#> 2
#> 3
#> 4
#> 5
#> 6
#> 7
#> 8
#> 9
```