Data wrangling with dplyr

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Slides

 Here are the introduction slides for this practical on data wrangling! (https://therbootcamp.github.io/_sessions/D2S1_Wrangling/Wrangling.html)

Overview

In this practical you'll practice "data wrangling" with the dplyr package. Data wrangling refers to modifying and summarizing data. For example, sorting, adding columns, recoding values,

If you don't have it already, you can access the dplyr cheatsheet here https://www.rstudio.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/data-wrangling-cheatsheet.pdf (https://www.rstudio.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/data-wrangling-cheatsheet.pdf). This has a nice overview of all the major functions in dplyr.

Glossary

Here are the main verbs you will be using in dplyr:

verb	action	example
filter()	Select rows based on some criteria	data %>% filter(age > 40 & sex == "m")
arrange()	Sort rows	data %>% arrange(date, group)
select()	Select columns (and ignore all others)	data %>% select(age, sex)
rename()	Rename columns	data %>% rename(DATE_MONTHS_X24, date)
mutate()	Add new columns	data %>% mutate(height.m = height.cm / 100)

verb	action	example
case_when()	Recode values of a column	data %>% sex.n = case_when(sex == 0 ~ "m", sex == 1 ~ "f")
<pre>group_by(), summarise()</pre>	Group data and then calculate summary statistics	data %>% group_by() %>% summarise()

Examples

• The following examples will take you through the steps of doing data wrangling with dplyr. Try to go through each line of code and see how it works!

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# Examples of using dplyr on the ChickWeight data
library(tidyverse)
                          # Load tidyverse
chick <- as_tibble(ChickWeight) # Save a copy of the ChickWeight data as chick</pre>
# Add columns with mutate()
chick <- chick %>%
 mutate(
   weight.kg = weight / 1000, # Add new column of weight in kilograms
   time.week = Time / 7  # Add time.week as time in weeks
# Sort rows with arrange()
chick <- chick %>%
  arrange(Diet, weight) # sort rows by Diet and then weight
# Recode variables with case when()
chick <- chick %>%
  mutate(
   diet.name = case when(
     Diet == 1 ~ "vegetables",
     Diet == 2 ~ "fruit",
     Diet == 3 ~ "candy",
     Diet == 4 ~ "meat"
   )
  )
# Grouped statistics with group by() and summarise()
chick %>%
  group by(Diet) %>%
  summarise(
   weight.mean = mean(weight),
   weight.max = max(weight),
   time.mean = mean(Time),
   N = n()
  ) %>%
  arrange(weight.mean)
# Many sequential functions
chick %>%
  filter(Chick > 10) %>%
                                     # Only chicks with values larger than 10
  group_by(Time, Diet) %>%
                                     # Group by Time and Diet
  summarise(
   weight.median = median(weight),
   weight.sd = sd(weight),
   N = n()
                                      # Counts of cases
  )
```

Tasks

Getting the data and project setup

- 1. Open an R project (or create a new one). In the main directory where that project is located, create two new empty folders: one called data and one called R. (Hint: You can create, and them rename, new empty folders in the Files pane of RStudio.)
- 2. Open a new R script and save it in the R folder you just created as a new file called datawrangling.R. At the top of the script, using comments, write your name and the date. The, load the set of tidyverse packages with library()
- 3. For this practical, we'll use the ACTG175 data, this is the result of a randomized clinical trial comparing the effects of different medications on adults infected with the human immunodeficiency virus. The data are stored at
 - "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/therbootcamp/BaselRBootcamp2017/master/tutorials/data/ACTG175.csv (https://raw.githubusercontent.com/therbootcamp/BaselRBootcamp2017/master/tutorials/data/ACTG175.csv)". Using read_csv() load the data into R and store it as a new object called ACTG175. (Hint: This is really easy! Just run read_csv(file = LINK), where LINK is the file URL.)
- 4. Ok you've got the data from the internet into your R session. But let's save a local copy of the data as a .csv file so we'll always have access to it. Using write_csv(), save a copy of the data as a .csv file called ACTG175.csv, also make sure to put it in the data folder you just created (Hint: the main arguments to write_csv() are x, the object you are writing, and path, the directory and file name you're saving the object to.)
- 5. Now that you have a local copy of the data saved, we try loading the data back into R from that file. But first, delete the object ACTG175 from your workspace by running rm(ACTG175).
- 6. Now it's time to get the data back from the local file! To do this, use read_csv() to load the ACTG175.csv file data back into your R session and again store it as the object ACTG175. Now, your code should be able to access your local copy of the data, even when you are not online.
- 7. The ACTG175 data is comes from the speff2trial package. If you don't have the speff2trial package allready, install it using install.packages(). Then, load the package with library() and then look at the help menu for the ACTG175 data by running ?ACTG175. (Note: If you become really interested in the data, you can also read an article discussing the trial here: http://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/nejm199610103351501#t=article (http://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/nejm199610103351501#t=article))
- 8. First thing's first, take a look at the first few rows of the data by printing the ACTG175 object. It should look like this:

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# A tibble: 2,139 x 27
  pidnum
           age wtkg hemo homo drugs karnof oprior
                                                      z30 zprior
                <dbl> <int> <int> <int> <int> <int> <int>
                                                          <int>
   <int> <int>
 1 10056 48 89.8128
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9 10198
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10 10229
           35 78.0192
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# ... with 2,129 more rows, and 17 more variables: preanti <int>,
   race <int>, gender <int>, str2 <int>, strat <int>, symptom <int>,
   treat <int>, offtrt <int>, cd40 <int>, cd420 <int>, cd496 <int>,
   r <int>, cd80 <int>, cd820 <int>, cens <int>, days <int>, arms <int>
```

mutate()

- 9. Add a new column to the dataframe called age_months that shows each patient's age in months instead of years (Hint: do simple arithmetic!).
- 10. The column karnof shows each patient's Karnofsky score
 (http://emedicine.medscape.com/article/2172510-overview) on a scale from 0 to 100, create a new variable called karnof b that shows the score on a scale from 0 to 1 (hint: just divide the original column by 100)
- 11. Now, do the previous two questions in one chunk of code. That is, using one call to mutate() create both age_months and karnof_b
- 12. A physician wants to see a new score called the sparrow which is equal to the Karnofsky score divided by a person's age plus the person's weight in kg. Add each participant's sparrow score as a new column called sparrow (Hint: Just take 'karnof / age + wtkg)

arrange()

- 13. Arrange the ACTG175 data in ascending order of age (from lowest to highest). After, look at the first few rows of the data with head() to make sure it worked.
- 14. Now arrange the data in *descending* order of age (from highest to lowest). After, look at the first few rows of the data with head() to make sure it worked.
- To arrange data in descending order, just include desc() around the variable. E.g.;
 data %>% arrrange(desc(height))
- 15. You can sort the rows of dataframes with multiple columns by including many arguments to <code>arrange()</code> . Now sort the data by <code>karnof</code> and then age (<code>age</code>), and then arms (<code>arms</code>)

case_when()

- 16. Create a new column gender_char that shows gender as a string.
- Look at the help file with ?ACTG175 to see how gender is coded.
- 17. Create a new column over50 that is 1 when patients are older than 50, and 0 when they are younger than or equal to 50
- 18. Now, repeat the previous two questions, but do them both in the same call to mutate(). That is, in one block of code, create gender char and over50

group_by() and summarise()

- 19. For each arm, calculate the mean participant age.
- 20. For each arm, calculate the mean participant age and the median Karnofsky score
- 21. Separately for male and female patients, calculate the percent who have a history of intravenous drug use.
 - To calculate a percent of a binary variable with 0s and 1s, just calculate the mean
- 22. Separately for male and female patients (gender), calculate the percent who have a history of intravenous drug use (drugs), and the percent of patients who indicate homosexual activity
- 23. Separately for all combinations of gender and race, calculate the mean age and mean CD4 T cell count at baseline (cd40) (Hint: group by gender and race)

Challenges

- 24. Now let's check the major differences between the treatment arms. For each arm, calculate the following:
- Mean days until a a major negative event (days)
- · Mean CD4 T cell count at baseline.
- Mean CD4 T cell count at 20 weeks.
- · Mean CD4 T cell count at 96 weeks.
- Mean change in CD4 T cell count between baseline and 96 weeks
- Number of patients (Hint: use N = n())
- 25. Repeat the previous analysis, but before you do the grouping and summary statistics, recode the values of arms to text that reflect what the values actually represent. For example, looking at the help file PACTG175, I can see that the treatment arm of is "zidovudine". I might call this arm "z". Do this in the all in the same chunk of code.
- 26. Repeat the previous analysis, but only include patients with a Karnofsky score equal to 100, and who did not use zidovudine in the 30 days prior to the treatment initiation (z30)

Additional reading

- For more details on data wrangling with R, check out the chapter in YaRrr! The Pirate's Guide to R YaRrr! Chapter Link (https://bookdown.org/ndphillips/YaRrr/advanceddataframe.html)
- Hadley Wickham, the author of dplyr, also has great examples in the dplyr vignette here: dplyr vignette link (https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/dplyr/vignettes/dplyr.html)
- The tidyr package is a natural extension to dplyr that allows you to reshape your data into a format that is easier to manage. Check out the tidyr vignette (https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/tidyr/vignettes/tidy-data.html) for examples: