# Wrangling

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## Where you're at...

- 1 Loaded packages (like tidyverse) with library()
- 2 Loaded external files as a new dataframe
- 3 Explore dataframes
- 4 Calculate descriptive statistics on specific columns

What's next?... Wrangling!

```
# Step 0) Load libraries
library(tidyverse)
# Step 1) Read file called baslers.txt
# in a data folder with read_csv()
# and save as new object baslers
baslers <- read_csv(file = "data/baslers.txt")</pre>
# Step 2) Explore data
View(baslers) # Open in new window
dim(baslers) # Show number of rows and columns
names(baslers) # Show names
# Step 3) Calculate descriptives on named colums
mean(baslers$age) # What is the mean age?
table(baslers$sex) # How many of each sex?
# Step 4) ...
```

### What is wrangling?

#### **Transform**

Change column names

Add new columns

#### **Organise**

Sort data by columns

Merging data from two separate dataframes

Move data between columns and rows

#### Aggregate

Group data and summarise

#### **Transform**

id	time1	time2	
1	62	60	
2	59	45	
3	64	50	

"Add Change column"

"Convert time1 to minutes"

id	time1	time2	change	time1_min
1	62	60	-2	1.03
2	59	45	-6	0.98
3	64	50	-14	1.06

#### **Organise**

id	time1	time2
1	62	60
2	59	45
3	64	50

"Convert rows to columns"

"Order rows by id and time"

id	time	Х
1	1	62
2	1	59
3	1	64
1	2	60
2	2	45
3	2	50

#### Aggregate

id	time	х
1	1	62
2	1	59
3	1	64
1	2	60
2	2	45
3	2	50

"Group by Time"

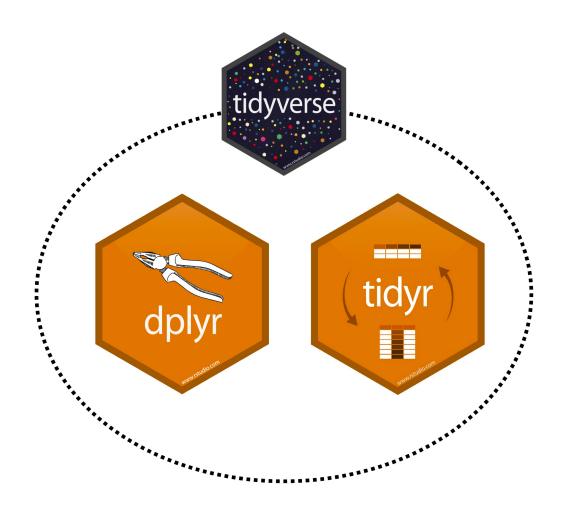
"Calculate mean and standard deviation"

time	mean	sd
1	61.66	60
2	51.66	45

## dplyr&tidyr

To wrangle data in R, we will use the dplyr and tidyr packages.

```
# Load packages individually
# install.packages('dplyr')
# install.packages('tidyr')
library(dplyr)
library(tidyr)
# Or just use the tidyverse!
# install.packages('tidyverse')
library(tidyverse)
```



## The Pipe! %>%

dplyr makes extensive use of a new operator
called the "Pipe" %>%

Read the "Pipe" %>% as "And Then..."

```
# Start with data
data %>% # AND THEN...

DO_SOMETHING %>% # AND THEN...

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```



This is not a pipe (but %>% is!)

#### The Pipe! %>%

Task: Calculate the mean of a vector of scores

```
# Create a vector score
score <- c(8, 4, 6, 3, 7, 3)</pre>
```

Base-R method

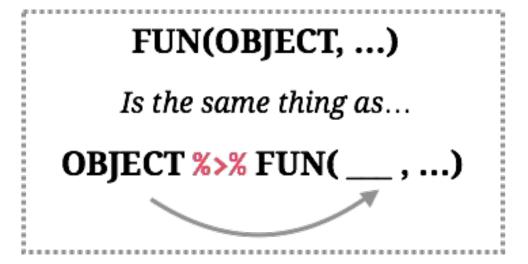
```
mean(x = score)
```

## [1] 5.167

Pipe %>% method

```
score %>% # AND THEN
mean()
```

## [1] 5.167



The **OBJECT** to the left of the pipe %>% becomes the first argument to the **FUN()** to the right of the pipe

#### The Pipe! %>%

Task: Calculate the mean of a vector of scores and round to 1 digit.

```
# Create a vector score
score <- c(8, 4, 6, 3, 7, 3)</pre>
```

#### Base-R method

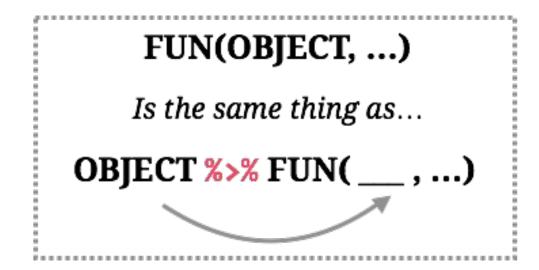
```
round(x = mean(score), digits = 1)
```

## [1] 5.2

Pipe %>% method

```
score %>%  # AND THEN
mean() %>%  # AND THEN
round(digits = 1)
```

## [1] 5.2

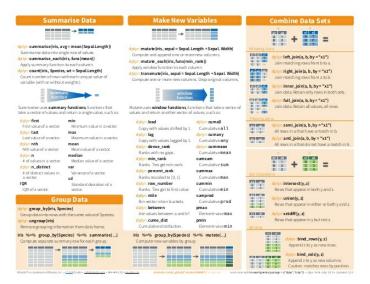


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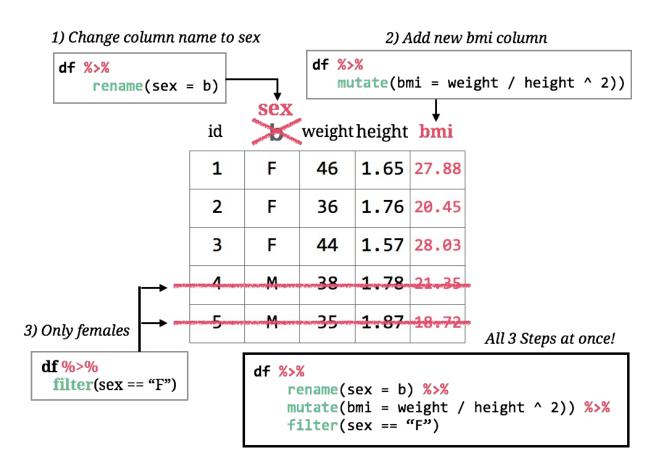
## dplyr Functions

There are dozens of wrangling functions in dplyr.

For an overview, check out dplyr.tidyverse.org



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#### **Transformation Functions**

Function	Description
rename()	Change column names
mutate()	Create a new column from existing columns
case_when()	Recode values from a vector to another
<pre>left_join()</pre>	Combine multiple dataframes

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
## id b c
## <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <br/>## 1 1 37 1
## 2 2 65 2
## 3 3 57 2
## 4 4 34 1
## 5 5 45 2
```

#### rename

Change column names with rename().

```
df %>%
  rename(NEW = OLD,
    NEW = OLD)
```

```
patients_df # Original
```

Change the old name "b" to "age", and "c" to "arm"

```
# 0) Start with patients_df data
patients_df %>%

# 1) Change column names with rename()
rename(age = b, # New = Old
    arm = c) # New = Old
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
## id age arm
## 
## 1 1 37 1
## 2 2 65 2
## 3 3 57 2
## 4 4 34 1
## 5 5 45 2
```

#### mutate

Calculate **new columns**, or change existing ones, with mutate().

```
df %>%
  mutate(
   NEW1 = DEFINITION1,
   NEW2 = DEFINITION2,
   NEW3 = DEFINITION3,
   ...
)
```

Calculate two new columns age\_months and age\_years

```
patients_df %>%

rename(age = b,
    arm = c) %>% # AND THEN...

# Create new columns with mutate()
mutate(age_months = age * 12,
    age_decades = age / 10)
```

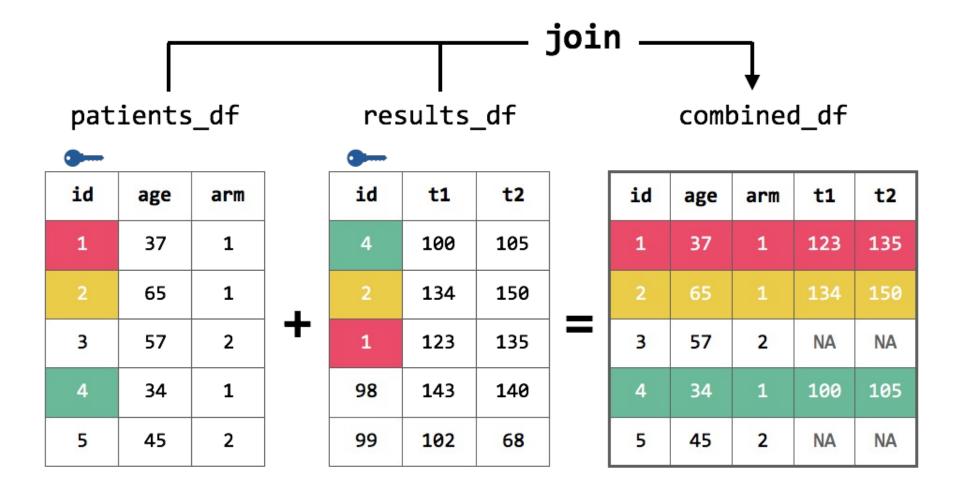
```
## # A tibble: 5 x 5
      id age arm age_months age_decades
    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                       <dbl>
                                  <dbl>
           37
                         444
                                   3.7
## 1
     2 65 2
## 2
     2 65 2
3 57 2
                         780
                                   6.5
                                   5.7
## 3
                         684
     4 34
## 4
                         408
                                   3.4
                                   4.5
## 5
                         540
```

#### case\_when

Use case\_when() with mutate() to define new columns based on logical conditions.

```
# Using mutate(case_when())
df %>%
  mutate(
   NEW = case_when(
        COND1 ~ VAL1,
        COND2 ~ VAL2
        ))
```

### Joining data



## left\_join

Use left\_join() to combine two data frames based on one or more key columns



```
## # A tibble: 5 x 5
       id arm age
                       t1
                             t2
    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
                  37
                      123
                            135
## 2
                  65
                           140
                      143
## 3
                  57
                     NA
                            NA
## 4
                  34
                      100
                            105
## 5
                  45
                       NA
                             NA
```

#### Keep in mind

- 1 Don't forget to start by assigning to a new (or existing) object with <-
- 2 Keep adding new functions connected by the pipe %>%
- 3 Order matters! You can refer to new columns in later code

## Organisation Functions

Organisation functions help you shuffle your data by sorting rows by columns, filter rows based on criteria, select columns (etc).

Function	Purpose	Example
arrange()	Sort rows by columns	<pre>df %&gt;% arrange(arm, age)</pre>
slice()	Select rows by location	<pre>df %&gt;% slice(1:10)</pre>
filter()	Select specific rows by criteria	df %>% filter(age > 50)
select()	Select specific columns	<pre>df %&gt;% select(arm, t1)</pre>

#### arrange

Use arrange() to arrange (aka, sort) rows in increasing or decreasing order of one (or more) columns.

To sort in descending order, use desc()

```
# Sort combined_df by id
# then in descending order of age
combined_df %>%
  arrange(id, desc(age))
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 6
##
       id
                 arm arm_char
                                t1
                                     t2
          age
##
    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
                             <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
                   1 placebo
                               123
                                    135
                               143 140
## 2
                   2 drug
## 3
                   2 drug
                                NA
                                     NA
## 4
                   1 placebo
                                     105
                               100
                   2 drug
                                NA
                                      NA
## 5
```

#### filter

Use filter() to select rows (and remove others) based on criteria

For complex conditions, chain multiple logical comparison operators with & (AND) and | (OR)

```
== - is equal to
```

```
<, > - smaller/greater than
```

 $\leq$ ,  $\geq$  - smaller/greater than or equal

```
&, && - logical AND
```

I, II - logical OR

Select patients over 30 given drug.

```
# Filter patients older than 30 given drug
combined_df %>%
  arrange(id, desc(age)) %>%
  filter(age > 30 & arm_char == "drug")
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 6
            age arm arm_char
                                 t1
                                       t2
    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
                               <dbl> <dbl>
                                143
## 1
                    2 drug
                                      140
## 2
                    2 drug
                                 NA
                                       NA
             57
## 3
                    2 drug
                                 NA
                                       NA
```

#### select

Use select() to select columns (and remove all others)

```
# Select columns id, age
df %>%
  select(id, age)
```

Remove columns with -.

```
# Select everything BUT sex and id
df %>%
  select(-sex, -id)
```

Remove age\_months and age\_decades colummns.

```
combined_df %>%

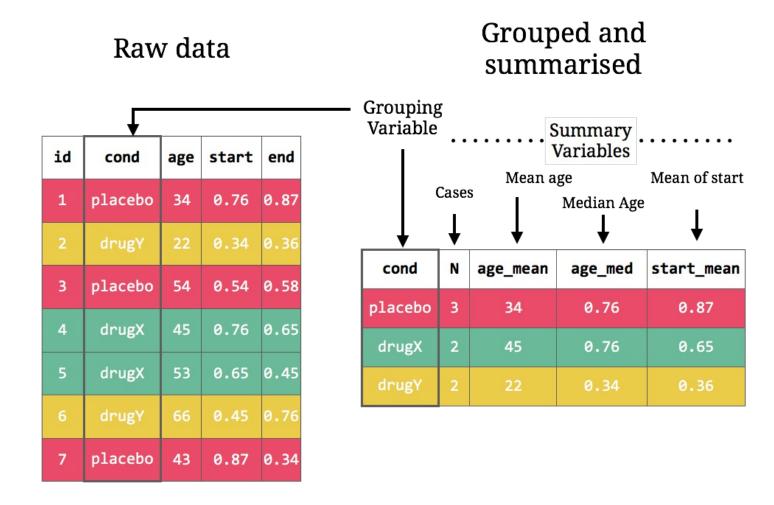
arrange(id, desc(age)) %>%

filter(arm_char == "drug" & age > 30) %>%

# Drop age and arm columns
select(-age, -arm)
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 4
      id arm_char t1
                        t2
    <dbl> <chr>
                 <dbl> <dbl>
       2 drug
## 1
                  143 140
## 2
       3 drug
                 NA
                       NA
## 3
       5 drug
                   NA
                        NA
```

### **Grouped Aggregation**



## group\_by,summarise

Use group\_by() to group data according to one or more columns

After grouping data, use summarise() to calculate summary statistics across groups of data

#### **Statistical functions**

Function	asdf
n()	Number of cases in each group
<pre>mean(), median(), max(), min() sum()</pre>	Summary stats

```
# Group data by arm, and calculate many
# summary statistics
combined_df %>%
  group_by(arm) %>%
  summarise(
    N = n(),
    age_mean = mean(age),
    t1_mean = mean(t1, na.rm = TRUE),
    t2_mean = mean(t2, na.rm = TRUE)
)
```

#### Reshaping data

Two key functions that allow you to reshape a dataframe between 'wide'and 'long' formats.

Some functions require data to be in a certain shape.

#### Two key tidyr functions

Function	Result
gather()	Move data from 'wide' to 'long' format
<pre>spread()</pre>	Move data from 'long' to 'wide' format

#### 'Wide' vs. 'Long' data

```
# Wide format
stock_w
    id t1 t2
## 1 a 10 20
## 2 b 20 26
## 3 c 15 30
# Long format
stock_l
    id time measure
        t1
                 10
        t1
                 20
        t1
                 15
                 20
                 26
        t2
                 30
```

## gather

```
# Show wide data
stock_w
## id t1 t2
## 1 a 10 20
## 2 b 20 26
## 3 c 15 30
# "Gather" wide data to long
stock_w %>%
  gather(time,
                 # New group column
         measure, # New target column
                 # ID column
         -id)
    id time measure
        t1
        t1
                20
    c t1
                15
                20
## 5 b
       t2
                26
## 6 c t2
                30
```

#### spread

```
# Show long data
stock_l
    id time measure
        t1
                 10
                 20
         t1
         t1
                 15
         t2
                 26
## 6 c
                 30
# "Spread" long data to wide
stock_l %>%
  spread(time,
               # Old group column
         measure) # Old target column
    id t1 t2
## 1 a 10 20
## 2 b 20 26
## 3 c 15 30
```

## 6 C C SW

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#### Summary

- 1 Start by assigning your result to a new object to save it!
- 2 "Keep the pipe %>% going" to continue working with your data frame.
- 3 The output of dplyr functions will (almost) always be a **tibble**.
- 4 You can almost always include **multiple operations** within each function.

```
# Assign result to baslers_agg
baslers_agg <- baselers %>%
  # Change column names with rename()
  rename(age\_years = age,
        weight_kg = weight) %>% # PIPE!
  # Select specific rows with filter()
  filter(age_years < 40) %>% # PIPE!
  # Create new columns with mutate()
  mutate(debt_ratio = debt / income) %>% # PIPE!
  # Group data with group_by()
  group_by(sex) %>% # PIPE!
  # Calculate summary statistics with summarise()
  summarise(income_mean = mean(income),
            debt_mean = mean(debt),
            dr_mean = mean(dr)
```

### Practical

Link to practical