

Data Transformation with dplyr :: CHEAT SHEET



dplyr functions work with pipes and expect **tidy data**. In tidy data:



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Each **variable** is in its own **column**

Each **observation**, or **case**, is in its own **row**



pipes

x %>% f(y) becomes **f(x, y)**

Summarise Cases

These apply **summary functions** to columns to create a new table. Summary functions take vectors as input and return one value (see back).

summary function



summarise(.data, ...)
Compute table of summaries. Also **summarise_()**.
summarise(mtcars, avg = mean(mpg))



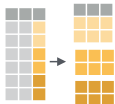
count(x, ..., wt = NULL, sort = FALSE)
Count number of rows in each group defined by the variables in ... Also **tally()**.
count(iris, Species)

VARIATIONS

summarise_all() - Apply funs to every column.
summarise_at() - Apply funs to specific columns.
summarise_if() - Apply funs to all cols of one type.

Group Cases

Use **group_by()** to created a "grouped" copy of a table. dplyr functions will manipulate each "group" separately and then combine the results.



*mtcars %>%
group_by(cyl) %>%
summarise(avg = mean(mpg))*

group_by(.data, ..., add = FALSE)
Returns copy of table grouped by ...
g_iris <- group_by(iris, Species)

ungroup(x, ...)
Returns ungrouped copy of table.
ungroup(g_iris)

Manipulate Cases

EXTRACT CASES

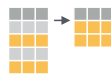
Row functions return a subset of rows as a new table. Use a variant that ends in **_** for non-standard evaluation friendly code.



filter(.data, ...) Extract rows that meet logical criteria. Also **filter_()**. *filter(iris, Sepal.Length > 7)*



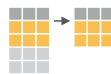
distinct(.data, ..., .keep_all = FALSE) Remove rows with duplicate values. Also **distinct_()**.
distinct(iris, Species)



sample_frac(tbl, size = 1, replace = FALSE, weight = NULL, .env = parent.frame()) Randomly select fraction of rows.
sample_frac(iris, 0.5, replace = TRUE)



sample_n(tbl, size, replace = FALSE, weight = NULL, .env = parent.frame()) Randomly select size rows. *sample_n(iris, 10, replace = TRUE)*



slice(.data, ...) Select rows by position. Also **slice_()**. *slice(iris, 10:15)*
top_n(x, n, wt) Select and order top n entries (by group if grouped data). *top_n(iris, 5, Sepal.Width)*

Logical and boolean operators to use with filter()

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|---|----|----------|------|---|-------|
| < | <= | is.na() | %in% | | xor() |
| > | >= | !is.na() | ! | & | |

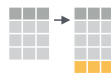
See **?base::logic** and **?Comparison** for help.

ARRANGE CASES



arrange(.data, ...)
Order rows by values of a column (low to high), use with **desc()** to order from high to low.
arrange(mtcars, mpg)
arrange(mtcars, desc(mpg))

ADD CASES



add_row(.data, ..., .before = NULL, .after = NULL)
Add one or more rows to a table.
add_row(faithful, eruptions = 1, waiting = 1)

Column functions return a set of columns as a new table. Use a variant that ends in **_** for non-standard evaluation friendly code.



select(.data, ...)
Extract columns by name. Also **select_if()**.
select(iris, Sepal.Length, Species)

Use these helpers with **select()**,
e.g. *select(iris, starts_with("Sepal"))*

| | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| contains(match) | num_range(prefix, range) | ∴ e.g. <i>mpg:cyl</i> |
| ends_with(match) | one_of(...) | ∴ e.g. <i>-Species</i> |
| matches(match) | starts_with(match) | |

MAKE NEW VARIABLES

These apply **vectorized functions** to columns. Vectorized funs take vectors as input and return vectors of the same length as output (see back).

vectorized function



mutate(.data, ...)
Compute new column(s).
mutate(mtcars, gpm = 1/mpg)



transmute(.data, ...)
Compute new column(s), drop others.
transmute(mtcars, gpm = 1/mpg)



mutate_all(.tbl, .funs, ...) Apply funs to every column. Use with **funs()**.
mutate_all(faithful, funs(log(), log2().))



mutate_at(.tbl, .cols, .funs, ...) Apply funs to specific columns. Use with **funs()**, **vars()** and the helper functions for select().
mutate_at(iris, vars(-Species), funs(log().))



mutate_if(.tbl, .predicate, .funs, ...)
Apply funs to all columns of one type. Use with **funs()**.
mutate_if(iris, is.numeric, funs(log().))



add_column(.data, ..., .before = NULL, .after = NULL) Add new column(s).
add_column(mtcars, new = 1:32)



rename(.data, ...) Rename columns.
rename(iris, Length = Sepal.Length)





Vectorized Functions

TO USE WITH MUTATE ()

mutate() and **transmute()** apply vectorized functions to columns to create new columns. Vectorized functions take vectors as input and return vectors of the same length as output.

vectorized function

OFFSETS

dplyr::lag() - Offset elements by 1
dplyr::lead() - Offset elements by -1

CUMULATIVE AGGREGATES

dplyr::cumall() - Cumulative all()
dplyr::cumany() - Cumulative any()
dplyr::cummax() - Cumulative max()
dplyr::cummean() - Cumulative mean()
dplyr::cummin() - Cumulative min()
dplyr::cumprod() - Cumulative prod()
dplyr::cumsum() - Cumulative sum()

RANKINGS

dplyr::cume_dist() - Proportion of all values <=
dplyr::dense_rank() - rank with ties = min, no gaps
dplyr::min_rank() - rank with ties = min
dplyr::ntile() - bins into n bins
dplyr::percent_rank() - min_rank scaled to [0,1]
dplyr::row_number() - rank with ties = "first"

MATH

+, **-**, *****, **/**, **^**, **%/%**, **%%** - arithmetic ops
log(), **log2()**, **log10()** - logs
<, **<=**, **>**, **>=**, **!=**, **==** - logical comparisons

MISC

dplyr::between() - $x \geq \text{left} \ \& \ x \leq \text{right}$
dplyr::case_when() - multi-case if_else()
dplyr::coalesce() - first non-NA values by element across a set of vectors
dplyr::if_else() - element-wise if() + else()
dplyr::na_if() - replace specific values with NA
dplyr::pmax() - element-wise max()
dplyr::pmin() - element-wise min()
dplyr::recode() - Vectorized switch()
dplyr::recode_factor() - Vectorized switch() for factors

Summary Functions

TO USE WITH SUMMARISE ()

summarise() applies summary functions to columns to create a new table. Summary functions take vectors as input and return single values as output.

summary function

COUNTS

dplyr::n() - number of values/rows
dplyr::n_distinct() - # of uniques
dplyr::sum(is.na()) - # of non-NA's

LOCATION

mean() - mean, also **mean(is.na())**
median() - median

LOGICALS

mean() - Proportion of TRUE's
sum() - # of TRUE's

POSITION/ORDER

dplyr::first() - first value
dplyr::last() - last value
dplyr::nth() - value in nth location of vector

RANK

quantile() - nth quantile
min() - minimum value
max() - maximum value

SPREAD

IQR() - Inter-Quartile Range
mad() - mean absolute deviation
sd() - standard deviation
var() - variance

Row Names

Tidy data does not use rownames, which store a variable outside of the columns. To work with the rownames, first move them into a column.

rownames_to_column()
Move row names into col.
`a <- rownames_to_column(iris, var = "C")`

column_to_rownames()
Move col in row names.
`column_to_rownames(a, var = "C")`

Also has **rownames()**, **remove_rownames()**

Summary Functions

COMBINE VARIABLES

x **y**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| A | B | C |
| a | t | 1 |
| b | u | 2 |
| c | v | 3 |

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| | |
|---|---|
| A | D |
| a | t |
| b | u |
| c | w |

 =

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| A | B | C | D |
| a | t | 1 | b |
| b | u | 2 | u |
| c | v | 3 | w |

Use **bind_cols()** to paste tables beside each other as they are.

bind_cols(...) Returns tables placed side by side as a single table.
BE SURE THAT ROWS ALIGN.

Use a "Mutating Join" to join one table to columns from another, matching values with the rows that they correspond to. Each join retains a different combination of values from the tables.

left_join(x, y, by = NULL, copy=FALSE, suffix=c("x", "y"), ...)
Join matching values from y to x.

right_join(x, y, by = NULL, copy=FALSE, suffix=c("x", "y"), ...)
Join matching values from x to y.

inner_join(x, y, by = NULL, copy=FALSE, suffix=c("x", "y"), ...)
Join data. Retain only rows with matches.

full_join(x, y, by = NULL, copy=FALSE, suffix=c("x", "y"), ...)
Join data. Retain all values, all rows.

Use **by = c("col1", "col2")** to specify the column(s) to match on.
`left_join(x, y, by = "A")`

Use a named vector, **by = c("col1" = "col2")**, to match on columns with different names in each data set.
`left_join(x, y, by = c("C" = "D"))`

Use **suffix** to specify suffix to give to duplicate column names.
`left_join(x, y, by = c("C" = "D"), suffix = c("1", "2"))`

COMBINE CASES

x **y**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| A | B | C |
| a | t | 1 |
| b | u | 2 |
| c | v | 3 |

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| | |
|---|---|
| A | D |
| a | t |
| b | u |
| c | w |

Use **bind_rows()** to paste tables below each other as they are.

bind_rows(..., .id = NULL)
Returns tables one on top of the other as a single table. Set .id to a column name to add a column of the original table names (as pictured)

intersect(x, y, ...)
Rows that appear in both x and z.

setdiff(x, y, ...)
Rows that appear in x but not z.

union(x, y, ...)
Rows that appear in x or z.
(Duplicates removed). **union_all()** retains duplicates.

Use **setequal()** to test whether two data sets contain the exact same rows (in any order).

EXTRACT ROWS

x **y**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| A | B | C |
| a | t | 1 |
| b | u | 2 |
| c | v | 3 |

 +

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| A | B | C |
| a | t | 3 |
| b | u | 1 |
| c | v | 2 |

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Use a "Filtering Join" to filter one table against the rows of another.

semi_join(x, y, by = NULL, ...)
Return rows of x that have a match in y. USEFUL TO SEE WHAT WILL BE JOINED.

anti_join(x, y, by = NULL, ...)
Return rows of x that do not have a match in y. USEFUL TO SEE WHAT WILL NOT BE JOINED.