

Data Wrangling with R: Day 1

Data manipulation with dplyr

Presented by Emi Tanaka

Department of Econometrics and Business Statistics



MONASH University

1st December 2020 @ Statistical Society of Australia | Zoom

Grammar of data manipulation

```
library(dplyr) # or library(tidyverse)
```

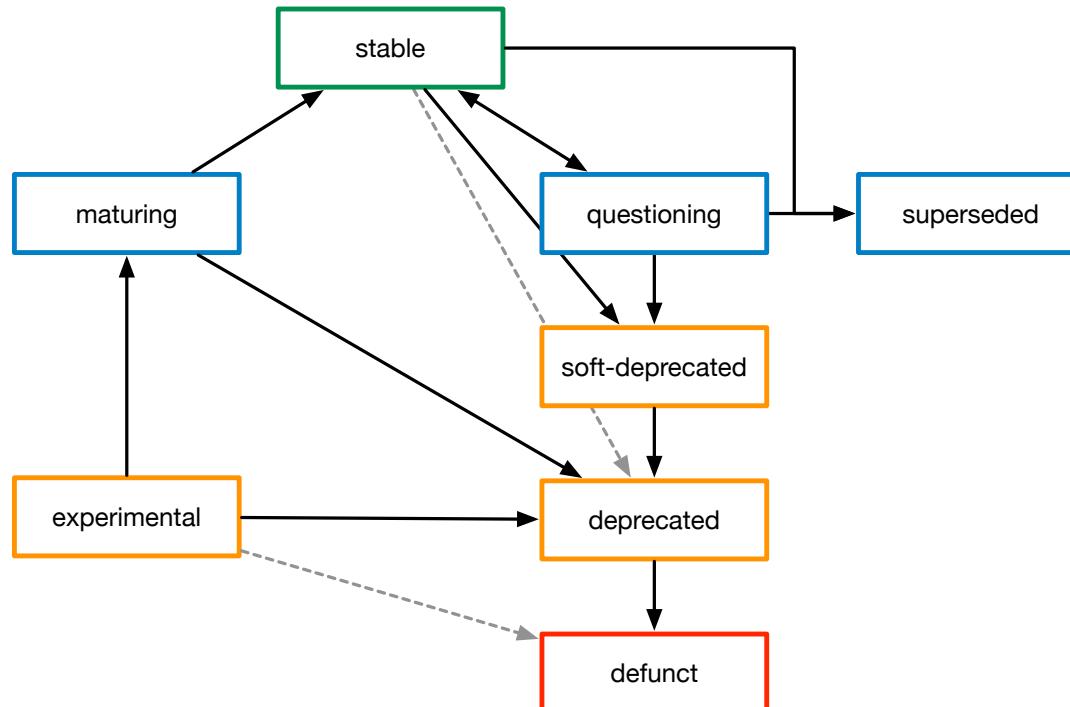
- `dplyr` is a core package in `tidyverse`
- The earlier concept of `dplyr` (first on CRAN in 2014-01-29) was implemented in `plyr` (first on CRAN in 2008-10-08)
- The functions in `dplyr` has been evolving frequently but `dplyr` v1.0.0 was released on CRAN in 2020-05-29
- This new version contained new "verbs"
- The major release suggests that functions in `dplyr` are maturing and thus the user interface is unlikely to change

Lifecycle

lifecycle archived lifecycle defunct lifecycle deprecated lifecycle experimental

lifecycle maturing lifecycle questioning lifecycle retired lifecycle soft-deprecated

lifecycle stable lifecycle superseded



- Functions (and sometimes arguments of functions) in `tidyverse` packages often are labelled with a badge like above
- Find definitions of badges [here](#)
- Check out documentations below

```
help(mutate, package = "dplyr")
help(mutate_each, package = "dplyr")
```

dplyr "verbs"

- The main functions of dplyr include:

arrange	select	mutate
rename	group_by	summarise

- Notice that these functions are *verbs*
- Functions in dplyr generally have the form:

verb(data, args)

- i.e., the first argument data is a data.frame object
- What do you think the following will do?

```
rename(mtcars, miles_per_gallon = mpg)
```

```
arrange(mtcars, wt)
```

Pipe operator %>%

- Almost all tidyverse packages import the `magrittr` package to use `%>%`
- `x %>% f(y)` is the same as `f(x, y)`
- `x %>% f(y) %>% g(z)` is the same as `g(f(x, y), z)`
- When you see the pipe operator `%>%`, read it as "and then"

```
mtcars %>%                                # take mtcars data, and then
  rename(miles_per_gallon = mpg) %>% # rename mpg as miles_per_gallon, and then
  arrange(wt)                          # arrange row by wt

##                                     miles_per_gallon cyl  disp    hp drat    wt  qsec vs am gear
## Lotus Europa                      30.4     4 95.1 113 3.77 1.513 16.90  1  1
## Honda Civic                       30.4     4 75.7  52 4.93 1.615 18.52  1  1
## Toyota Corolla                    33.9     4 71.1   65 4.22 1.835 19.90  1  1
## Fiat X1-9                         27.3     4 79.0   66 4.08 1.935 18.90  1  1
```

Lazy and non-standard evaluation

- Remember in Base R:

```
subset(mtcars, mpg > 31)

##          mpg cyl disp hp drat      wt    qsec vs am gear carb
## Fiat 128 32.4   4 78.7 66 4.08 2.200 19.47  1  1     4     1
## Toyota Corolla 33.9   4 71.1 65 4.22 1.835 19.90  1  1     4     1
```

- But the second argument cannot be evaluated:

```
mpg > 31

## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'mpg' not found
```

- R employs what is called **lazy evaluation** for function inputs
- **Non-standard evaluation** uses this feature to capture the input expression within the function and evaluate only when requested

Tidy evaluation

Part 1

- Tidy evaluation builds on the lazy and non-standard evaluation and is implemented in `rlang`
- All core tidyverse packages import `rlang`
- So what does it do?
- Let's consider `filter`, the Tidyverse version of `subset`

```
filter(mtcars, mpg > 31)

##          mpg cyl disp hp drat    wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Fiat 128   32.4   4 78.7 66 4.08 2.200 19.47  1  1     4     1
## Toyota Corolla 33.9   4 71.1 65 4.22 1.835 19.90  1  1     4     1
```

- ! If you get an error using `filter`, replace it with `dplyr::filter`

for those interested, `dplyr::filter` is a conflict with `stats::filter` and it may be using `stats::filter` instead... I've fallen into this trap so many times!

Tidy evaluation

Part 2

- Suppose we have a silly function that subsets `mtcars` for a given condition

```
myCarSubset <- function(cond) subset(mtcars, cond)  
myCarFilter <- function(cond) filter(mtcars, cond)
```

- This causes an issue because `cond` is evaluated before it is parsed into `subset` or `filter`

```
myCarSubset(mpg > 31)  
## Error in eval(e, x, parent.frame()): object 'mpg' not found  
  
myCarFilter(mpg > 31)  
## Error: Problem with `filter()` input `..1`.  
## x object 'mpg' not found  
## i Input `..1` is `cond`.
```

Tidy evaluation

Part 3

- Functions that use non-standard evaluation is problematic

```
myCarSubsetNew <- function(cond) subset(mtcars, {{ cond }})
```

```
myCarFilterNew <- function(cond) filter(mtcars, {{ cond }})
```

```
myCarSubsetNew(mpg > 31)
```

Error in eval(e, x, parent.frame()): object 'mpg' not found

```
myCarFilterNew(mpg > 31)
```

```
##          mpg cyl disp hp drat    wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Fiat 128 32.4   4 78.7 66 4.08 2.200 19.47  1  1     4     1
## Toyota Corolla 33.9   4 71.1 65 4.22 1.835 19.90  1  1     4     1
```

- `{{ }}` only works if the underlying function implements `rlang`

Data masking

Part 1

```
ind <- 1:nrow(cars) # nrow(cars) = 50  
subset(cars, ind > 49)
```

```
##      speed dist  
## 50      25    85
```

```
filter(cars, ind > 49)
```

```
##      speed dist  
## 1      25    85
```

```
speed <- c(40, 51)  
subset(cars, speed > 24)
```

```
##      speed dist  
## 50      25    85
```

```
filter(cars, speed > 24)
```

```
##      speed dist  
## 1      25    85
```

- For any variables that don't exist in the data, R searches the parental environment for evaluation.

- The variables in data take priority for reference over those in parental environment

Data masking Part 2

```
speed <- 1:nrow(cars)
filter(cars, .data$speed > 24)
```

```
##   speed dist
## 1    25    85
```

```
filter(cars, .env$speed > 24)
```

```
##   speed dist
## 1    15    26
## 2    15    54
## 3    16    32
## 4    16    40
## 5    17    32
## 6    17    40
```

- In Tidyverse, you can be explicit whether the variable is in the data or in the parental environment
- `.data` is a special pronoun referring to variables in the data parsed in the first argument
- `.env` is a special pronoun referring to variables in the environment (i.e. *not* in the data parsed in the first argument)

Tidy select Part 1

- Tidyverse packages generally use syntax from the `tidyselect` package for variable/column selection

```
data(frog_signal, package = "dwexercise")
str(frog_signal)

## 'data.frame':      535 obs. of  22 variables:
## $ FrogID           : chr  "13196" "13197" "13198" "13206" ...
## $ AlternativeCD    : num  28 27 31 33 26 31 33 28 29 34 ...
## $ AlternativeCR    : num  12 15 13 15 11 6 15 12 14 12 ...
## $ AlternativeDF    : num  2315 2304 2646 2281 2789 ...
## $ AlternativeRA    : num  -10 -8 -12 -7 -8 -6 -12 -16 -12 -10 ...
## $ AlternativePR    : num  46 49 43 50 57 51 46 55 56 45 ...
## $ Standard1         : num  47 69 139 112 101 90 79 262 123 47 ...
## $ Standard2         : num  46 44 102 112 101 68 41 237 106 62 ...
## $ Standard3         : num  42 36 85 117 80 73 46 166 95 63 ...
```

Tidy select Part 2

```
frog_signal %>%  
  select(Standard1, Standard2,  
  Standard3)
```

```
##      Standard1 Standard2 Standard3  
## 1        47        46        42  
## 2        69        44        36  
## 3       139       102       85  
## 4       112       112      117  
## 5       101       101       80  
## 6        90        68        73
```



The tidyselect syntax `:` can be used to select contiguous columns in the data

```
frog_signal %>%  
  select(Standard1:Standard3)
```

	##	Standard1	Standard2	Standard3
## 1	## 1	47	46	42
## 2	## 2	69	44	36
## 3	## 3	139	102	85
## 4	## 4	112	112	117
## 5	## 5	101	101	80
## 6	## 6	90	68	73
## 7	## 7	7	7	166
## 8	## 8	6	6	95
## 9	## 9	2	2	63
## 10	## 10	7	7	84
## 11	## 11	13	13	41
	## 12	56	52	27

Tidy select Part 3

```
frog_signal %>%  
  select(starts_with("Standard"))
```

```
##      Standard1 Standard2 Standard3 Sta  
## 1          47         46         42  
## 2          69         44         36  
## 3         139        102         85  
## 4         112        112        117  
## 5         101        101         80  
## 6          90         68         73  
## 7          79         41         46  
## 8         262        237        166  
## 9         123        106         95  
## 10        47          62         63  
## 11        95        117         84  
## 12        56          52         41
```

```
frog_signal %>%  
  select(num_range("Standard", 1:3))
```

```
##      Standard1 Standard2 Standard3  
## 1          47         46         42  
## 2          69         44         36  
## 3         139        102         85  
## 4         112        112        117  
## 5         101        101         80  
## 6          90         68         73  
## 7          79         41         46  
## 8         262        237        166  
## 9         123        106         95  
## 10        47          62         63  
## 11        95        117         84  
## 12        56          52         41
```

Selection language

Part 1

- : for selecting contiguous variables
- ! for taking complement set of variables
- & or | for selecting intersection or union of two sets of variables, e.g.

```
frog_signal %>%  
  select(starts_with("Alt") & ends_with("1")) %>%  
  str()  
  
## 'data.frame':      535 obs. of  1 variable:  
## $ Alternative1: num  28 33 227 101 126 143 50 123 76 53 ...
```

- c() for combining selections
- everything() to select all variables
- last_col() to select last variable, with option of an offset

Selection language Part 2

- `starts_with()` selects columns with the given prefix
- `ends_with()` selects columns with the given suffix
- `contains()` selects columns with a literal string
- `matches()` selects columns that match the regular expression we'll learn this next!
- `num_range()` selects columns with a numerical range
- `all_of()` for selecting columns based on a character vector
- `any_of()` is the same as `all_of()` but no error when variables do not exist
- `where()` selects based on where given function return TRUE

```
help(language, package = "tidyselect")
```

Subsetting by column Tidyverse

```
select(mtcars, c(mpg, cyl))  
select(mtcars, c("mpg", "cyl"))  
select(mtcars, mpg, cyl)  
select(mtcars, "mpg", "cyl")
```

All the same result as below

```
mtcars %>%  
  select(mpg, cyl)
```

```
##                                     mpg cyl  
## Mazda RX4                     21.0   6  
## Mazda RX4 Wag                  21.0   6  
## Datsun 710                     22.8   4  
## Hornet 4 Drive                 21.4   6  
## Hornet Sportabout               18.7   8  
## Valiant                        18.1   6
```

```
mtcars %>% select(mpg)  
##                                         mpg  
## Mazda RX4                         21.0  
## Mazda RX4 Wag                      21.0  
## Datsun 710                         22.8  
## Hornet 4 Drive                     21.4  
## Hornet Sportabout                   18.7  
## Valiant                           18.1  
## Duster 360                         14.3
```



- Selecting one column doesn't "drop" it to a vector.
- If you really want the vector then use `pull(mpg)`.

Subsetting by row Tidyverse

```
mtcars %>%  
  slice(3:1)
```

```
##  
## Datsun 710
```

```
## Mazda RX4 Wag
```

```
## Mazda RX4
```

```
mtcars %>%
```

```
  filter(rownames(.) %in% c("Datsun 710", "Mazda RX4"))
```

```
##          mpg cyl disp  hp drat    wt  qsec vs am gear carb  
## Mazda RX4 21.0   6 160 110 3.90 2.62 16.46  0  1     4     4  
## Datsun 710 22.8   4 108  93 3.85 2.32 18.61  1  1     4     1
```



- Placeholder binding
 - $x \%>\% f(y, g(.))$ is the same as $f(x, y, g(x))$
 - $x \%>\% f(y, .)$ is the same as $f(y, x)$



Note: row names do not follow tidy data principles

- Use `tibble::rownames_to_column()` to convert rownames to a column to make into a tidy data

- Use `slice` to subset by *index* and `filter` by *logical vector*

Adding or modifying a column

Tidyverse

```
mtcars %>%  
  mutate(gpm = 1 / mpg,  
        wt = gpm^2,  
        wt = if_else(cyl==6, 10, wt),  
        hp = case_when(cyl==6 ~ 11,  
                        cyl==4 ~ 10,  
                        TRUE ~ 3))
```

```
## #  mpg cyl  disp  hp drat  
## 1 21.0   6 160.0 11 3.90 1.000000e+00  
## 2 21.0   6 160.0 11 3.90 1.000000e+00  
## 3 22.8   4 108.0 10 3.85 1.923669e-01  
## 4 21.4   6 258.0 11 3.08 1.000000e+00  
## 5 18.7   8 360.0   3 3.15 2.859676e-03 17.02 0 0 3 2 0.05347594  
## 6 18.1   6 225.0 11 2.76 1.000000e+01 20.22 1 0 3 1 0.05524862  
## 7 14.3   8 360.0   3 3.21 4.890215e-03 15.84 0 0 3 4 0.06993007
```



- Evaluation in `mutate` is done sequentially based on input order
- So you refer to the newly created variable in later input
- You can call multiple `mutate` but computational performance is usually better if done within the same `mutate` call

```
mtcars %>%  
  mutate(gpm = 1 / mpg) %>%  
  mutate(wt = gpm^2)
```

Sorting columns Tidyverse

```
mtcars %>%  
  select(sort(names(.)))
```

```

##                                     am carb cyl disp
## Mazda RX4                         1     4   6 160.0
## Mazda RX4 Wag                      1     4   6 160.0
## Datsun 710                          1     1   4 108.0
## Hornet 4 Drive                     0     1   6 258.0

```

```
mtcars %>%  
  relocate(am, carb, .before = cyl)
```

	<i>mpg</i>	<i>am</i>	<i>carb</i>	<i>cyl</i>
## <i>Mazda RX4</i>	21.0	1	4	6
## <i>Mazda RX4 Wag</i>	21.0	1	4	6
## <i>Datsun 710</i>	22.8	1	1	4
## <i>Hornet 4 Drive</i>	21.4	0	1	6

```
mtcars %>%  
  select(wt, gear, everything())
```

```

##                                     wt  gear  mpg
## Mazda RX4                      2.620     4 21.0
## Mazda RX4 Wag                   2.875     4 21.0
## Datsun 710                      2.320     4 22.8
## Hornet 4 Drive                  3.215     3 21.4

```

```
mtcars %>%  
  relocate(wt, gear, .after = mpg)
```

```
##                                     mpg      wt gear
## Mazda RX4                         21.0  2.620   4
## Mazda RX4 Wag                      21.0  2.875   4
## Datsun 710                          22.8  2.320   4
## Hornet 4 Drive                     21.4  3.215   3
```

Calculating statistical summaries by group

Tidyverse

- 🎯 Calculate the *average* weight (wt) of a car for each gear type in (gear)

```
mtcars
```

```
mtcars %>%  
  group_by(gear) %>%  
  summarise(avg_wt = mean(wt))
```

```
## `summarise()` ungrouping output (over)
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 2  
##   gear  avg_wt  
##   <dbl>  <dbl>  
## 1     3    3.89  
## 2     4    2.62  
## 3     5    2.63
```

- 🎯 Calculate the *median* weight (wt) of (vs) type in mtcars

```
mtcars %>%  
  group_by(gear, vs) %>%  
  summarise(avg_wt = mean(wt),  
            med_wt = median(wt))
```

```
## `summarise()` regrouping output by
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 4  
## # Groups:   gear [3]  
##   gear    vs  avg_wt  med_wt  
##   <dbl> <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  
## 1     3     0    4.10   3.81  
## 2     3     1    3.05   3.22  
## 3     4     0    2.75   2.75
```

across

NEW in **dplyr v1.0.0**

- Using `across`, you can more easily apply a function to multiple columns

```
mtcars %>%  
  group_by(gear, vs) %>%  
  summarise(across(everything(), mean))  
  
## # A tibble: 6 x 11  
## # Groups:   gear [3]  
##   gear     vs     mpg     cyl     disp      hp     drat     wt     qsec     am     carb  
##   <dbl>  
## 1     3     0  15.0     8   358.   194.    3.12    4.10   17.1     0    3.08  
## 2     3     1  20.3   5.33  201.    104     3.18    3.05   19.9     0     1  
## 3     4     0   21      6   160     110     3.9     2.75   16.7     1     4  
## 4     4     1  25.2    4.4   116.    85.4    4.07    2.59   19.4    0.6     2  
## 5     5     0  19.1    6.5   229.   216.    3.95    2.91   15.3     1     5  
## 6     5     1  30.4     4   95.1   113     3.77    1.51   16.9     1     2
```

where

NEW in dplyr v1.0.0

- You can combine across with the selection helper where

```
mtcars %>%  
  group_by(gear, vs) %>%  
  summarise(across(where(function(x) n_distinct(x) > 10), mean))
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 8  
## # Groups:   gear [3]  
##   gear     vs     mpg    disp      hp    drat      wt    qsec  
##   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>  
## 1     3     0  15.0  358.   194.    3.12   4.10   17.1  
## 2     3     1  20.3  201.   104     3.18   3.05   19.9  
## 3     4     0    21   160    110     3.9    2.75   16.7  
## 4     4     1   25.2  116.    85.4   4.07   2.59   19.4  
## 5     5     0  19.1  229.   216.    3.95   2.91   15.3  
## 6     5     1  30.4  95.1   113     3.77   1.51   16.9
```

c_across

NEW in dplyr v1.0.0

- Remember tidy selection only works with functions that are compatible

```
mtcars %>%  
  rowwise() %>%  
  summarise(disp = disp, hp = hp, drat = drat, wt = wt,  
            score = sum(c_across(disp:wt)))
```

```
## # A tibble: 32 x 5  
##       disp     hp   drat     wt  score  
##       <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>  
## 1     160     110   3.9   2.62  277.  
## 2     160     110   3.9   2.88  277.  
## 3     108      93   3.85   2.32  207.  
## 4     258     110   3.08   3.22  374.  
## 5     360     175   3.15   3.44  542.  
## 6     225     105   2.76   3.46  336.  
## 7     360     245   3.21   3.57  612.
```

rowwise?

- What happens if you omit `rowwise`?

```
mtcars %>%  
  #rowwise() %>%  
  summarise(disp = disp, hp = hp, drat = drat, wt = wt,  
            score = sum(c_across(disp:wt)))
```

```
##      disp   hp drat     wt   score  
## 1 160.0 110 3.90 2.620 12295.14  
## 2 160.0 110 3.90 2.875 12295.14  
## 3 108.0  93 3.85 2.320 12295.14  
## 4 258.0 110 3.08 3.215 12295.14  
## 5 360.0 175 3.15 3.440 12295.14  
## 6 225.0 105 2.76 3.460 12295.14  
## 7 360.0 245 3.21 3.570 12295.14  
## 8 146.7   62 3.69 3.190 12295.14
```

**</> If you installed the `dwexercise` package,
run below in your R console**

```
learnr::run_tutorial("day1-exercise-02", package = "dwexercise")
```

 **If the above doesn't work for you, go [here](#).**
 **Questions or issues, let us know!**

15:00

Session Information

```
devtools::session_info()
```

```
## - Session info -----
##   setting  value
##   version  R version 4.0.1 (2020-06-06)
##   os        macOS Catalina 10.15.7
##   system   x86_64, darwin17.0
##   ui        X11
##   language (EN)
##   collate  en_AU.UTF-8
##   ctype    en_AU.UTF-8
##   tz       Australia/Melbourne
##   date     2020-11-30
##
## - Packages -----
##   package * version  date     lib source
##   anicon      0.1.0    2020-06-21 [1] Github (emitanaka/anicon@0b756df)
##   assertthat   0.2.1    2019-03-21 [2] CRAN (R 4.0.0)
```

These slides are licensed under

