Intro to R

Data Cleaning

Data Cleaning

In general, data cleaning is a process of investigating your data for inaccuracies, or recoding it in a way that makes it more manageable.

▲ MOST IMPORTANT RULE - LOOK ● AT YOUR DATA! ▲

Dealing with Missing Data

Missing data types

One of the most important aspects of data cleaning is missing values.

Types of "missing" data:

- NA general missing data
- Nan stands for "Not a Number", happens when you do 0/0.
- Inf and -Inf Infinity, happens when you take a positive number (or negative number) by 0.

Finding Missing data

Each missing data type has a function that returns TRUE if the data is missing:

- NA is.na
- · NaN is.nan
- Inf and -Inf is.infinite

Useful checking functions

any(is.na(B)) # are there any NAs- NO/FALSE

is.na-is TRUE if the data is FALSE otherwise
!-negation (NOT)
if is.na(x) is TRUE, then !is.na(x) is FALSE
any will be TRUE if ANY are true
any (is.na(x)) - do we have any NA's in x?

A = c(1, 2, 4, NA)
B = c(1, 2, 3, 4)
any (is.na(A)) # are there any NAs - YES/TRUE
[1] TRUE

[1] FALSE

naniar

Sometimes you need to look at lots of data though... the naniar package is a good option.

The pct_complete() function shows the percentage that is complete for a given data object.

```
#install.packages("naniar")
library(naniar)
x = c(0, NA, 2, 3, 4, -0.5, 0.2)
naniar::pct_complete(x)
```

[1] 85.71429

Air quality data

The airquality dataset comes with R about air quality in New York in 1973.

```
?airquality # use this to find out more about the data
airqual <-tibble(airquality)
airqual</pre>
```

```
\# A tibble: 153 \times 6
  Ozone Solar.R Wind
                       Temp Month
                                   Day
  <int>
          <int> <dbl> <int> <int> <int>
                7.4
            190
                         67
     41
                                5
     36
            118
                         72
                12.6
                                5
                                     3
     12
            149
                         74
4
                11.5
                                5555
     18
            313
                         62
                                      5
5
     NA
                14.3
                         56
            NA
                                      6
    28
                14.9
                         66
             NA
    23
                8.6
                         65
            299
           99
                13.8
                         59
    19
9
      8
             19
                20.1
                         61
10
     NA
            194
                8.6
                         69
                                    10
# ... with 143 more rows
```

naniar:pct_complete()

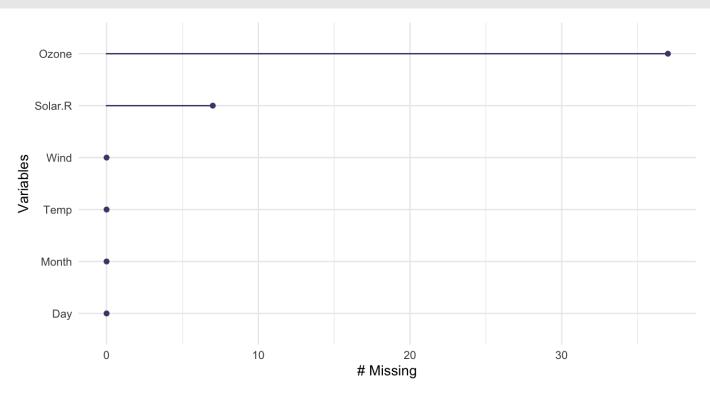
pct_complete(airquality)

[1] 95.20697

Naniar plots

The gg_miss_var() function creates a nice plot about the number of missing values for each variable.

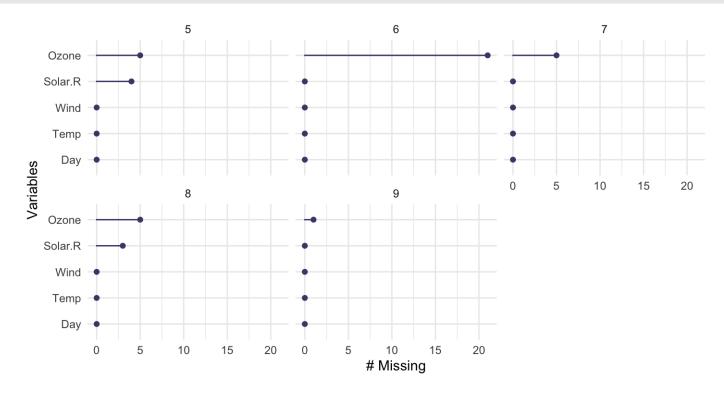
naniar::gg_miss_var(airqual)



Naniar plots

We can use the facet argument to make more plots about a specific variable.

naniar::gg_miss_var(airqual, facet = Month)



Missing Data Issues

Recall that mathematical operations with NA often result in NAS.

```
sum(c(1,2,3,NA))

[1] NA

mean(c(2,4,NA))

[1] NA

median(c(1,2,3,NA))
[1] NA
```

Missing Data Issues

This is also true for logicals. This is a good thing. The NA data could be > 2 or not, we don't know, so R says there is no TRUE or FALSE, so that is missing.

```
x = c(0, NA, 2, 3, 4, -0.5, 0.2)

x > 2

[1] FALSE NA FALSE TRUE TRUE FALSE FALSE
```

filter() and missing data

[1]

TRUE

TRUE

Be careful with missing data using subsetting:

filter() removes missing values by default. To keep them need to add
is.na():

TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE

```
x # looks like the 1st and 3rd element should be TRUE

[1] 0.0 NA 2.0 3.0 4.0 -0.5 0.2

x %in% c(0, 2) # uh oh - not good!

[1] TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE
x %in% c(0, 2) | is.na(x) # do this
```

filter() and missing data

A tibble: 6 × 2
Dog Cat
<dbl> <dbl>
1 0 NA
2 NA 8
3 2 6
4 3 NA
5 1 2

df

6

df %>% filter(Dog < 3)</pre>

1 NA

to filter out NAs for one variable

!NAdoes not work as you might expect because you can't tell if something is not actually NA- R doesn't ever assume to know what the value of NA` is

```
NA == NA
```

[1] NA

NA != NA

[1] NA

tidyr::drop_na

This function will drop rows with **any** missing data in **any** column.

```
df
# A tibble: 6 \times 2
   Dog Cat
 <dbl> <dbl>
   0
      NA
   NA 8
  2 6
4 3 NA
  1 NA
drop na(df)
# A tibble: 2 × 2
   Dog Cat
 <dbl> <dbl>
  1 2
```

Think about NA

Sometimes removing NA values leads to distorted math - be careful! Think about what your NA means for your data (are you sure ?).

Is an NA for values so low they could not be reported? Or is it this and also if there was a different issue?

Think about NA

If it is something more like a zero then you might want it included in your data like a zero.

Example: - survey reports NA if student has never tried cigarettes - survey reports 0 if student has tried cigarettes but did not smoke that week

You might want to keep the NA values so that you know the original sample size.

Word of caution

Calculating percentages will give you a different result depending on your choice to include NA values.

```
red blue
# A tibble: 3 \times 2
 color col_count
 <chr> <int>
1 blue
2 red
3 <NA>
red blue %>% mutate(percent =
                  col count/sum(pull(red blue, col count)))
# A tibble: 3 \times 3
 color col count percent
 <chr> <int> <dbl>
1 blue
         3 0.333
2 red 3 0.333
3 <NA> 3 0.333
```

Word of caution

Check values

Check the values for your variables, are they what you expect?

count () is a great option because it gives tells you:

- 1. The unique values
- 2. the amount of these values

Check if rare values make sense

```
bike <-jhur::read_bike()

bike %>% count(subType)

# A tibble: 4 × 2
subType n
<chr> <int>
1 STCLN 1
2 STRALY 3
3 STRPRD 1623
4 <NA> 4

bike %>% pull(subType) %>% unique()

[1] NA "STCLN" "STRALY" "STRPRD"
```

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Recoding Variables

Example of Recoding

Say we have some data about samples in a diet study:

data_diet

```
# A tibble: 12 \times 4
  Diet Gender Weight start Weight change
  <chr> <chr>
                      <int>
                                    <int>
 1 A
        Male
                        147
 2 B
                        134
        m
    Other
                        209
 3 B
  A
                        127
     Female
 5 B
                        239
                                       15
 6 B
                        230
                                      -10
        M
 7 A
        f
                        199
                                       -8
 8 B
                      156
  В
                      135
                                       19
     Man
                       152
10 A
        f
                        242
                                       17
11 B
12 B
                        108
```

Oh dear...

This needs lots of recoding.

dplyr can help!

Using Excel to find all of the different ways gender has been coded, would be a matter of filtering and changing all by hand or using if statements. This can be hectic!

In dplyr you can use the recode function (need mutate here too!):

Or you can use case_when().

The case_when() function of dplyr can help us to do this as well.

Note that automatically values not reassigned explicitly by case_when will be NA.

Use of case_when()

```
data diet %>%
 mutate(Gender = case when(Gender =="M" ~ "Male"))
# A tibble: 12 \times 4
  Diet Gender Weight start Weight change
  <chr> <chr>
                       <int>
                                     <int>
         <NA>
                          147
 1 A
 2 B
                         134
        <NA>
 3 B
                         209
     <NA>
                         127
     <NA>
                        239
 5 B
     <NA>
                                         15
 6 B
        Male
                         230
                                        -10
                         199
 7 A
       \langle NA \rangle
                                         -8
 8 B
                                          9
        <NA>
                         156
9 B
                         135
        <NA>
                                         19
                         152
10 A
      <NA>
                                         4
                         242
                                         17
11 B
         <NA>
                                          5
12 B
                         108
         <NA>
```

More complicated case_when()

```
data diet %>%
 mutate (Gender = case when (
   Gender %in% c("M", "male", "Man", "m", "Male") ~ "Male", Gender %in% c("F", "Female", "f", "female") ~ "Female",
   Gender %in% c("O", "Other") ~ "Other"))
# A tibble: 12 \times 4
 Diet Gender Weight start Weight change
  <chr> <chr>
                    <int>
                                <int>
1 A
       Male
                      147
2 B Male
                     134
3 B Other
                    209
4 A Female 127
                                    -7
5 B Female 239
                                    15
                    230
6 B Male
                                   -10
7 A Female
                   199
                                    -8
8 B Other
                     156
9 B Male
                      135
                                    19
10 A Female
                      152
                                    4
                    242
11 B Female
                                    17
12 B Other
                   108
```

Another reason for case_when()

count (Diet, Effect)

case when can do very sophisticated comparisons

```
data diet <-data diet %>%
    mutate (Effect = case when (Weight change > 0 ~ "Increase",
                          Weight change == 0 ~ "Same",
                          Weight change < 0 ~ "Decrease"))
data diet
\# A tibble: 12 \times 5
  Diet Gender Weight start Weight change Effect
 <chr> <chr>
                   <int>
                             <int> <chr>
1 A
      Male
                  147
                                  2 Increase
                  134
2 B m
                                 8 Increase
3 B Other 209
                                 7 Increase
4 A F
                   127
                                -7 Decrease
5 B Female 239
                               15 Increase
6 B M
                  230
                                -10 Decrease
                 199
7 A f
                                -8 Decrease
8 B O
                 156
                                9 Increase
                              19 Increase
9 B Man
                  135
    f
                    152
10 A
                                4 Increase
11 B
       F
                    242
                                 17 Increase
12 B
                    108
                                  5 Increase
data diet %>%
```

What if our data looked like this?

diet_comb

Separating columns based on a separator

From tidyr, you can split a data set into multiple columns:

Separating columns based on a separator

You can specify the separator with sep.

Uniting columns based on a separator

From tidyr, you can unite:

```
df = tibble(id = rep(1:5, 3), visit = rep(1:3, each = 5))
head (df, 4)
# A tibble: 4 \times 2
     id visit
  <int> <int>
3
df united <- df %>% unite(col = "unique id", id, visit, sep = " ")
head(df united, 4)
# A tibble: 4 \times 1
 unique id
  <chr>
1 1 1
2 2<u>1</u>
3 3 1
```

Strings functions

Splitting/Find/Replace and Regular Expressions

· R can do much more than find exact matches for a whole string!

The stringr package

The stringr package:

- Modifying or finding part or all of a character string
- We will not cover grep or gsub base R functions
 - are used on forums for answers
- Almost all functions start with str_*

stringr

str_detect, and str_replace search for matches to argument pattern within each element of a character vector (not data frame or tibble!).

- str_detect returns TRUE if pattern is found
- str_replace replaces pattern with replacement

Download Salary FY2014 Data

Sal = jhur::read salaries() # or

6 Abbott-Cole, Michelle CONTRACT... A90005

From https://data.baltimore-City-Employee-Salaries-FY2015/nsfe-bg53, from https://data.baltimorecity.gov/api/views/nsfe-bg53/rows.csv

Read the CSV into R sal:

```
head (Sal)
# A tibble: 6 \times 7
                         JobTitle
                                   AgencyID Agency HireDate AnnualSalary
                                                                              Grossi
  name
  <chr>
                         <chr>
                                   <chr>
                                             <chr> <chr>
                                                                <chr>
                                                                              <chr>
                        Faciliti... A03031
                                             OED-Em... 10/24/1... $55314.00
1 Aaron, Patricia G
                                                                              $53626
                        ASSISTAN... A29045
                                             States... 09/25/2... $74000.00
                                                                              $73000
2 Aaron, Petra L
3 Abaineh, Yohannes T EPIDEMIO... A65026
                                             HLTH-H... 07/23/2... $64500.00
                                                                              $64403
4 Abbene, Anthony M
                     POLICE O... A99005
                                             Police... 07/24/2... $46309.00
                                                                              $59620
5 Abbey, Emmanuel
                    CONTRACT... A40001
                                             M-R In... 05/01/2... $60060.00
                                                                              $54059
```

TRANS-... 11/28/2... \$42702.00

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'Find' functions: finding values: stringr

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String Splitting

str split(string, pattern) - splits strings up - returns list!

A bit on Regular Expressions

- http://www.regular-expressions.info/reference.html
- They can use to match a large number of strings in one statement
- · . matches any single character
- * means repeat as many (even if 0) more times the last character
- · ? makes the last thing optional
- ^ matches start of vector ^a starts with "a"
- \$ matches end of vector b\$ ends with "b"

Let's look at modifiers for stringr

?modifiers

- fixed match everything exactly
- ignore_case is an option to not have to use tolower

Using a fixed expression

One example case is when you want to split on a period ".". In regular expressions . means **ANY** character, so we need to specify that we want R to interpret "." as simply a period.

```
str_split("I.like.strings", ".")

[[1]]
[1] "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" ""

str_split("I.like.strings", fixed("."))

[[1]]
[1] "I" "like" "strings"

str_split("I.like.strings", "\\.")

[[1]]
[1] "I" "like" "strings"
```

Showing differnce in str_replace and str_replace_all

str_replace replaces only the first instance.

```
head(Sal$Name, 2)

Warning: Unknown or uninitialised column: `Name`.

NULL

head(str_replace(Sal$name, "a", "j"), 2)

[1] "Ajron, Patricia G" "Ajron, Petra L"

str_replace replaces all instances.

head(str_replace_all(Sal$name, "a", "j"), 2)

[1] "Ajron, Pjtricij G" "Ajron, Petrj L"
```

Pasting strings with paste and paste0

Paste can be very useful for joining vectors together:

```
paste("Visit", 1:5, sep = " ")
[1] "Visit 1" "Visit 2" "Visit 3" "Visit 4" "Visit 5"
paste("Visit", 1:5, sep = "_", collapse = "_")
[1] "Visit 1 Visit 2 Visit 3 Visit 4 Visit 5"
# and paste0 can be even simpler see ?paste0
paste0("Visit",1:5) # no space!
[1] "Visit1" "Visit2" "Visit3" "Visit4" "Visit5"
!- # Before Cleaning - Subsetting with Brackets ->
->
-> -> ->
```

Using Regular Expressions

- Look for any name that starts with:
 - Payne at the beginning,
 - Leonard and then an S
 - Spence then capital C

```
head(str_subset( Sal$name, "^Payne.*"), 3)

[1] "Payne El,Boaz L" "Payne El,Jackie"
[3] "Payne Johnson,Nickole A"

head(str_subset( Sal$name, "Leonard.?S"))

[1] "Payne,Leonard S" "Szumlanski,Leonard S"

head(str_subset( Sal$name, "Spence.*C.*"))

[1] "Spencer,Charles A" "Spencer,Clarence W" "Spencer,Michael C"
```

Comparison of stringr to base R - not covered

Splitting Strings

Substringing

stringr

• str_split(string, pattern) - splits strings up - returns list!

Splitting String:

In stringr, str split splits a vector on a string into a list

str extract

str extract extracts matched strings - \\d searches for DIGITS/numbers

```
head(Sal$AgencyID)

[1] "A03031" "A29045" "A65026" "A99005" "A40001" "A90005"

head(str_extract(Sal$AgencyID, "\\d"))

[1] "0" "2" "6" "9" "4" "9"
```

'Find' functions: stringr compared to base R

Base R does not use these functions. Here is a "translator" of the stringr function to base R functions

- str_detect similar to grep1 (return logical)
- grep(value = FALSE) is similar to which(str_detect())
- str subset similar to grep (value = TRUE) return value of matched
- str_replace similar to sub replace one time
- str replace all similar to gsub replace many times

Important Comparisons

Base R:

- Argument order is (pattern, x)
- Uses option (fixed = TRUE)

stringr

- Argument order is (string, pattern) aka (x, pattern)
- Uses function fixed (pattern)

'Find' functions: Finding Indices

These are the indices where the pattern match occurs:

```
grep("Rawlings", Sal$Name)
Warning: Unknown or uninitialised column: `Name`.
integer (0)
which (grepl ("Rawlings", Sal$Name))
Warning: Unknown or uninitialised column: `Name`.
integer (0)
which(str detect(Sal$Name, "Rawlings"))
Warning: Unknown or uninitialised column: `Name`.
integer (0)
```

'Find' functions: Finding Logicals

These are the indices where the pattern match occurs:

```
head(grepl("Rawlings", Sal$Name))
Warning: Unknown or uninitialised column: `Name`.
logical(0)
head(str_detect(Sal$Name, "Rawlings"))
Warning: Unknown or uninitialised column: `Name`.
logical(0)
```

'Find' functions: finding values, base R

```
grep("Rawlings", Sal$Name, value=TRUE)

Warning: Unknown or uninitialised column: `Name`.

character(0)

Sal[grep("Rawlings", Sal$Name),]

Warning: Unknown or uninitialised column: `Name`.

# A tibble: 0 × 7
# ... with 7 variables: name <chr>, JobTitle <chr>, AgencyID <chr>, Agency <chr>
# HireDate <chr>, AnnualSalary <chr>, GrossPay <chr>
```

Showing differnce in str_extract

str extract extracts just the matched string

```
ss = str_extract(Sal$Name, "Rawling")
Warning: Unknown or uninitialised column: `Name`.
head(ss)
character(0)
ss[ !is.na(ss)]
character(0)
```

Showing differnce in str_extract and str_extract_all

str extract all extracts all the matched strings

```
head(str_extract(Sal$AgencyID, "\\d"))

[1] "0" "2" "6" "9" "4" "9"

head(str_extract_all(Sal$AgencyID, "\\d"), 2)

[[1]]
[1] "0" "3" "0" "3" "1"

[[2]]
[1] "2" "9" "0" "4" "5"
```

Using Regular Expressions

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Using Regular Expressions: stringr

```
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```

Replace

Let's say we wanted to sort the data set by Annual Salary:

```
class(Sal$AnnualSalary)
[1] "character"
sort(c("1", "2", "10")) # not sort correctly (order simply ranks the data)
[1] "1" "10" "2"
order(c("1", "2", "10"))
[1] 1 3 2
```

Replace

So we must change the annual pay into a numeric:

```
head(Sal$AnnualSalary, 4)

[1] "$55314.00" "$74000.00" "$64500.00" "$46309.00"

head(as.numeric(Sal$AnnualSalary), 4)

Warning in head(as.numeric(Sal$AnnualSalary), 4): NAs introduced by coercion

[1] NA NA NA NA

R didn't like the $ so it thought turned them all to NA.

sub() and gsub() can do the replacing part in base R.
```

Replacing and subbing

Now we can replace the \$ with nothing (used fixed=TRUE because \$ means ending):

```
Sal$AnnualSalary <- as.numeric(gsub(pattern = "$", replacement="",
                             Sal$AnnualSalary, fixed=TRUE))
Sal <- Sal [order (Sal $Annual Salary, decreasing=TRUE), ]
Sal[1:5, c("name", "AnnualSalary", "JobTitle")]
\# A tibble: 5 \times 3
 name AnnualSalary JobTitle
                       <dbl> <chr>
 <chr>
                       238772 STATE'S ATTORNEY
1 Mosby, Marilyn J
2 Batts, Anthony W 211785 Police Commissioner
3 Wen, Leana
                       200000 Executive Director III
4 Raymond, Henry J
                       192500 Executive Director III
5 Swift, Michael
                       187200 CONTRACT SERV SPEC II
```

Replacing and subbing: stringr

We can do the same thing (with 2 piping operations!) in dplyr

```
dplyr_sal = Sal
dplyr_sal = dplyr_sal %>% mutate(
   AnnualSalary = AnnualSalary %>%
    str_replace(
        fixed("$"),
        "") %>%
    as.numeric) %>%
   arrange(desc(AnnualSalary))
check_Sal = Sal
rownames(check_Sal) = NULL
all.equal(check_Sal, dplyr_sal)
```

[1] TRUE

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Extra slides

A two-way table. If you pass in 2 vectors, table creates a 2-dimensional table.

```
tab <- table(c(0, 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 3, 2,2, 3),

c(0, 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 3),

useNA = "always")
tab
```

```
0 1 2 3 4 <NA>
0 1 0 0 0 0 0
1 0 1 0 0 0
2 0 2 0 2 0
3 0 0 0 4 0 0
<NA> 0 0 0 0 0 0
```