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
- · is.finite returns FALSE for all missing data and TRUE for non-missing

Useful checking functions

- is.na is TRUE if the data is FALSE otherwise
- · ! negation (NOT)
 - if is.na(x) is TRUE, then !is.na(x) is FALSE
- all takes in a logical and will be TRUE if ALL are TRUE
 - all(!is.na(x)) are all values of x NOT NA
- 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

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

[1] FALSE

```
A = c(1, 2, 4, NA)
B = c(1, 2, 3, 4)
all(is.na(A)) # are all values NA - NO/FALSE
```

Complete.cases

complete.cases - returns TRUE if EVERY value of a row is NOT NA - very stringent condition - FALSE missing one value (even if not important)

```
complete.cases (mtcars)
```

naniar

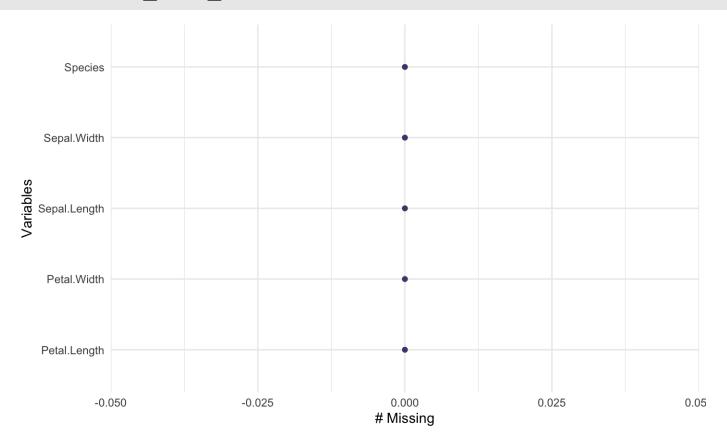
Sometimes you need to look at lots of data though... the naniar package is a good option.

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

[1] 85.71429

Naniar plots

naniar::gg_miss_var(iris)



Missing Data with Logicals

Recall that mathematical operations with NA will result in NAS

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

Be careful with missing data using subsetting:

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

```
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

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

tidyr::drop_na

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

```
df \leftarrow tibble(x = c(0, NA, 2, 0.2),
           y = c(NA, 1, 6, NA))
df
# A tibble: 4 x 2
  <dbl> <dbl>
1 0 NA
2 NA 1 3 2 6
4 0.2 NA
drop_na(df)
# A tibble: 1 x 2
 <dbl> <dbl>
```

Missing data with Tables and Tabulations

Useful checking functions

- table(x, useNA = "ifany") will have row NA if there are NA values
- table(x, useNA = "always") will have row NA even if there are no NA values

Here we will use table to make tabulations of the data. Look at ?table to see options for missing data.

```
z = c("A", "B", "A", "B")
table(z, useNA = "ifany")

z
A B
2 2

table(z, useNA = "always")

z
A B < NA>
2 2 0
```

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Recoding Variables

Example of Recoding

Let's say gender was coded as Male, M, m, Female, F, f. Using Excel to find all of these 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:

```
data = data %>%
  mutate(gender = recode(gender, M = "Male", m = "Male", Man = "Male"))
```

Or use ifelse() Or case when().

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. * extra = "merge" will not drop data.

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 x 2
     id visit
  <int> <int>
df united <- df %>% unite(col = "unique id", id, visit, sep = " ")
head(df united, 4)
# A tibble: 4 x 1
 unique id
 <chr>
1 1 1
2 2 1
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:

- Makes string manipulation more intuitive
- We will not cover grep or gsub base R functions
 - are used on forums for answers
- Almost all functions start with str_*

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"
```

'Find' functions: 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

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:

```
Sal = jhur::read_salaries() # or
head(Sal)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 7
         JobTitle
                                                                            Grossi
                       AgencyID Agency HireDate AnnualSalary
 name
                             <chr>
                                       <chr>
                                                 <chr>
 <chr> <chr>
                                                              <chr>
                                                                            <chr>
                                       OED-Employm... 10/24/1... $55314.00
1 Aaron, Pat... Facilities/Of... A03031
                                                                            $53626
                                       States Atto... 09/25/2... $74000.00
2 Aaron, Pet... ASSISTANT STA... A29045
                                                                            $73000
                                       HLTH-Health... 07/23/2... $64500.00
                                                                            $64403
3 Abaineh, Y... EPIDEMIOLOGIST A65026
4 Abbene, An... POLICE OFFICER A99005
                                                                            $59620
                                       Police Depa... 07/24/2... $46309.00
5 Abbey, Emm... CONTRACT SERV... A40001
                                      M-R Info Te... 05/01/2... $60060.00
                                                                            $54059
6 Abbott-Co... CONTRACT SERV... A90005
                                       TRANS-Traff... 11/28/2... $42702.00
                                                                            $20250
```

'Find' functions: finding values: stringr

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"
```

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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 x 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"
```

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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$AnnualSalary <- as.numeric(qsub(pattern = "$", replacement="",
                            Sal$AnnualSalary, fixed=TRUE))
Sal <- Sal[order(Sal$AnnualSalary, decreasing=TRUE), ]
Sal[1:5, c("name", "AnnualSalary", "JobTitle")]
# A tibble: 5 x 3
 name AnnualSalary JobTitle
 <chr>
                      <dbl> <chr>
1 Mosby, Marilyn J
                      238772 STATE'S ATTORNEY
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
```