Exercises for 'Working in the Tidyverse'

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Exercises

01. Importing and exporting data

01-01 (Required)

Import the light_trap data and the write it to a file.

First, run this code block:

Then use readr::write_rds() to write light_trap to a file called _output/01-01_light_trap.rds.

01-02 (Required)

The main dataset we will be analysing throughout this workshop is inside the subfolders of _data/wood_blocks/.

- 1. Use list.files() to generate a list of the four .csv files in this folder structure. Make sure you are keeping their full names.
 - *Hint:* Look at the recursive argument.

01-03 (Required)

Work through the list of files you just generated.

- 1. Import site_data.csv by itself.
 - Be sure to import it all as Character types, as in the examples.
- 2. Write site_data.csv to a file called _output/01_wood_site_data.rds.
- 3. Import and row-bind all other files in the list that are not site_data.csv. Include an id column.
- 4. Write the resulting dataframe to a file called _output/01_wood_blocks.rds.

02. Reshaping and completing

02-01 (Required)

The wood_blocks dataset from the previous chapter needs a little bit of work. First, its column names need to be standardised.

- 1. Import _output/01_wood_blocks.rds from the previous exercise.
- 2. Use janitor::clean_names() to standardise the column names.
- 3. Save the resulting data frame as output/02 01 wood blocks.rds.

02-02 (Required)

Continuing with the wood_blocks dataset, the column block_id actually contains two distinct bits of information that can be separated into their own columns. A value like C24 contains the Treatment ("T" or "C", for Treatment versus Control) and the ID number of the wood block (24).

- 1. Import _output/02_01_wood_blocks.rds (or use the data frame you generated in Exercise 02-01).
- 2. Use separate() to split the block_id column into two new columns, called treatment and wood_id. Don't keep block_id.
- 3. Save the resulting data from as _output/02_02_wood_blocks.rds.

02 - 03

Experiment with spreading into a wide shape.

- 1. Import _output/01_light_trap.rds from the previous exercise using readr::read_rds().
- 2. Randomly choose 50 rows from it and save them to a new variable name (hint: use dplyr::sample_n()).
- 3. Use spread() to practice spreading this long data frame. Notice how, when you spread by order, there is always an NA in one of the columns because a family cannot belong to two different orders.
- 4. Use the fill argument in spread() to change NA to different values.
- 5. Do not save the output to a file.

02-04

Experiment with gathering into a long shape.

- 1. There is a built-in dataset called iris, which you can access by simply typing iris. Inspect it.
- 2. Try using gather() to gather all of the measurements together.
- 3. Try to do Step #2 without manually naming every column that you want to gather.
 - Hint: Look at ?tidyselect::select_helpers.
 - Hint: The: operator also works.

03. Joining data frames together

03-01 (Required)

Merge two tables together.

- 1. Import _output/02_02_wood_blocks.rds, which you prepared in the last chapter.
- 2. Import _output/01_wood_site_data.rds, which you prepared in Module 1.
- 3. Use left_join() to merge the site data into the main wood_blocks dataset.
 - Hint: If you get the error "incompatible types (integer / character)", it is because you did not import the data frames as Character columns in the chapter 'Importing data'.
- 4. Inspect the result. Notice that left_join() has repeated the three rows of O1_wood_site_data.rds wherever they matched the site_id in O2_wood_blocks.rds.
- 5. Save the result as _output_03_wood_blocks.rds

04. Choosing and renaming columns

04-01 (Required)

Omit some of the columns from the wood_blocks dataset.

- 1. Import _output/03_wood_blocks.rds.
- 2. Omit these columns:
 - source_file
 - date_deploy, date_collect
 - deploy_image, collect_image
 - wet_weight_pre_drill, wet_weight_post_drill
- 3. Write the resulting data frame to _output/04_wood_blocks.rds.

05. Choosing rows

05-01 (Required)

We will continue cleaning our main dataset, wood_blocks.

- 1. Import _output/04_wood_blocks.rds.
- 2. Drop any rows that are duplicated by treatment, wood_id, plot_id, and site_id.
- 3. Drop rows that contain NA in any column except for the end_weight column, because we will compute that later.
- 4. Arrange the data frame by site_id and init_weight, with heaviest wood blocks in the site listed first.
- 5. Save the resulting data frame to _output/05_wood_blocks.rds.

05-02

1. In the built-in dataset iris, find all observations of the species setosa where the petal length was > 1.5, but the sepal length was < 5.0.

05-03

1. In the built-in dataset starwars, subset the data frame so that only the heaviest member of each species is kept.

06. Editing and creating columns

For the exercises in this module, we will continue to clean up our wood blocks dataset.

06-01 (Required)

In the chapter 'Importing data', we imported every column in the wood_blocks dataset as a Character column so that all of the input spreadsheets could be row-binded without errors. The first step to doing that is to ensure that NA values as properly encoded.

- 1. Import _output/05_wood_blocks.rds and inspect it with View().
- 2. Notice that although the weight columns (init_weight:end_weight) contain mostly numbers, one of the sites has used the string "ND" to indicate missing data.
- 3. Use mutate_at() to convert "ND" in these columns to NA.
 - Hint: You will need to write an anonymous function.
 - Hint: Remember that NA comes in several different data types. See ?NA for more.
- 4. Write the resulting data frame to _output/06_01_wood_blocks.rds.

06-02 (Required)

Now that we have converted missing values to NA, we can begin converting the columns to the correct data types. The columns in this exercise can be coerced directly with as.integer() and as.numeric() and don't need to be recoded.

- 1. Import _output/06_01_wood_blocks.rds (or use the data frame that you created in Exercise 06-01).
- 2. Use mutate() to convert these columns into Integer type:
 - wood id
 - site_id
- 3. Use mutate_at() to convert these columns into Numeric (AKA Double) type:
 - init_weight, wet_weight_pre_drill, wet_weight_post_drill, end_weight_post_drill, and end_weight
 - \bullet lat, lon
- 4. Use mutate_at() to convert these columns into ordered factors, with levels 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 and default labels:
 - damage_fungal, damage_termite
- 5. Save the result to _output/06_02_wood_blocks.rds.

06-03 (Required)

These next columns need to be recoded. from "Y" and "N" to TRUE and FALSE:

- 1. Import _output/06_02_wood_blocks.rds (or continue with the data frame from Exercise 06-02).
- 2. Recode these columns so that "Y" is recorded as TRUE and "N" is recorded as FALSE:
 - termites, insects, fungi
- 3. Recode the treatment column so that "T" is replaced with "Treatment" and "C" is replaced with "Control".
- 4. Save the result to _output/06_03_wood_blocks.rds

06-04 (Required)

Now we will use our data frame to do some calculations.

- 1. Import output/06 03 wood blocks.rds (or continue with the data frame from Exercise 06-03).
- 2. Some of the rows in end_weight are NA. Replace those NAs with the value that is held in end_weight_post_drill.
- 3. Calculate how much wood the block lost while it was in the field (init_weight end_weight) and store it in a new column called weight_lost.
- 4. Remove the end_weight_post_drill column.

5. Save the result to $\verb"output/06_04_wood_blocks.rds".$

07. Grouping and summarising

07-01 (Required)

We will reduce our wood_blocks dataset to prepare it for plotting.

- 1. Import _output/06_04_wood_blocks.rds.
- 2. Group the data frame by site, wood_id, and treatment.
- 3. Summarise the mean, median, min, and max of these columns:
 - init_weight, end_weight, weight_lost
 - It is alright to lose the other columns.
- 4. Save the result to _output/07_01_wood_blocks.rds.

07-02

In our wood_blocks dataset, how many wood blocks experienced damage from termites, insects, and fungi?

- 1. Import _output/06_04_wood_blocks.rds (this is the same dataset that you imported at the start of Exercise 07-01, **not** the final result of 07-01).
- 2. Make a table of counts that shows each damage type and how many wood blocks were affected by it.
 - You may find that not all combinations of termites Ã- insects Ã- fungi are represented in your new data frame. How can you fix this so that all combinations are there?
- 3. Do not save the output.

07-03

Let's test our knowledge of editing columns and reshaping data. Instead of making a table of counts, we will create a contingency table (i.e. a matrix of counts).

- 1. Import _output/06_04_wood_blocks.rds (this is the same dataset that you imported at the start of Exercise 07-01, **not** the final result of 07-01).
- 2. Termites are insects, so make sure that the insect column is TRUE if termites were present in a wood block.
- 3. Create this result:

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 3
## insects fungi_FALSE fungi_TRUE
## <fct> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 FALSE 104 10
## 2 TRUE 4 1
```

08. Graphing with ggplot2

08-01 (Required)

Make some graphs with the wood_blocks dataset that you have spent this workshop preparing.

- 1. Import _output/07_01_wood_blocks.rds.
- 2. Make a ggplot of weight_lost_mean Ã- site, with the colour aesthetic mapped to the treatment variable.
- 3. Add a boxplot geom.
- 4. Add jittered points (geom_jitter()). Jittered points are randomly offset from their true location to reduce overplotting. Change the width and height of this jittering so that there is no vertical jitter and minimal horizontal jitter.
- 5. Facet the plot so that each treatment level appears in a separate column.
- 6. Change the X and Y labels to "Site" and "Weight lost (mean)".

08-02 (Required)

- 1. Import _output/07_01_wood_blocks.rds, or use the data you imported in Exercise 08-01.
- 2. Make a ggplot of weight_lost_mean Ã- init_weight_mean, with the colour aesthetic mapped to treatment and the shape aesthetic mapped to site.
- 3. Add points to create a scatterplot.
- 4. Add a linear model trend line.
- 5. Facet the plot so that each site appears in a separate column.
- 6. Change the X and Y labels to "Starting weight (mean)" and "Weight lost (mean)".