

Data Transformation with dplyr::: CHEAT SHEET



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



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



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



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

Summarise Cases

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

summary function

summarise(.data, ...)
Compute table of summaries.
`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 create a "grouped" copy of a table. dplyr functions will manipulate each "group" separately and then combine the results.

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

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

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.

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

distinct(.data, ..., keep_all = FALSE) Remove rows with duplicate values.
`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.
`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()

<	<=	>	>=	is.na()	%in%	!	&	xor()
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See **?base::logic** and **?Comparison** for help.

ARRANGE CASES

arrange(.data, ...) Order rows by values of a column or columns (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)`

Manipulate Variables

EXTRACT VARIABLES

Column functions return a set of columns as a new vector or table.

pull(.data, var = -1) Extract column values as a vector. Choose by name or index.
`pull(iris, Sepal.Length)`

select(.data, ...)
Extract columns as a table. 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. `mpg:cyl`
ends_with(match) **one_of(...)** ; e.g. `-1`
matches(match) **starts_with(match)** ; e.g. `-Species`

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()**. Also **mutate_if()**.
`mutate_all(faithful, funs(log(), log2(), log10()))`
`mutate_if(iris, is.numeric, funs(log(), log10()))`

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(), log10()))`

add_column(.data, ..., before = NULL, after = NULL) Add new column(s). Also **add_count()**, **add_tally()**. `add_column(mtcars, new = 1:32)`

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

Vector 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()
cummax() - Cumulative max()
dplyr::cummean() - Cumulative mean()
cummin() - Cumulative min()
cumprod() - Cumulative prod()
cumsum() - Cumulative sum()

RANKINGS

dplyr::cume_dist() - Proportion of all values <= **dplyr::dense_rank()** - rank w 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
dplyr::between() - x >= left & x <= right
dplyr::near() - safe == for floating point numbers

MISC

dplyr::case_when() - multi-case if_else()
iris %>% mutate(Species = case_when(iris\$sepal.Length > 5 ~ "versicolor", iris\$sepal.Length > 7 ~ "virginica", TRUE ~ Species))
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
pmax() - element-wise max()
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
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

iqrf() - Inter-Quartile Range
mad() - median absolute deviation
sdl() - 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()**

Combine Tables

COMBINE VARIABLES

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

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

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 one or more common columns to match on.
left_join(x, y, by = "A")

Use a named vector, by = c("col1" = "col2"), to match on columns that have different names in each table.
left_join(x, y, by = c("C" = "D"))

Use suffix to specify the suffix to give to unmatched columns that have the same name in both tables.
left_join(x, y, by = c("C" = "D"), suffix = c("1", "2"))

COMBINE CASES

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 y.

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

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

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

EXTRACT ROWS

filter() to extract rows based on a condition.

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.

