Intro to R

Data Cleaning

Recap on summarization

- summary(x): quantile information
- summarize: creates a summary table of columns of interest
- count(variable): how many of each unique value do you have
- group_by(): changes all subsequent functions
 - combine with summarize() to get statistics per group
- plot() and hist() are great for a quick snapshot of the data

Cheatsheet

Recap on data classes

- tibbles show column classes!
- as.CLASS_NAME(x) can be used to change the class of an object x
- class() can test what class an object is
- Logic class objects only have TRUE or False (without quotes)
- Two kinds of numeric subclasses integer (whole numbers) and double (fractional values)
- Character class values need quotes
- Factors are a special character class that has levels
- matrix has columns and rows but is all one data class.
- lists can contain multiples of any other class of data including lists!
- The lubridate package is helpful for dates and times Cheatsheet

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 divide a positive number (or negative number) by 0.

Finding Missing data

- · is.na-looks for NAN and NA
- · is.nan-looks for NAN
- · is.infinite-looks for Infor-Inf

```
test <- c(0, NA, -1)
test/0
```

[1] NaN NA -Inf

test <- test/0
is.na(test)</pre>

[1] TRUE TRUE FALSE

is.nan(test)

[1] TRUE FALSE FALSE

is.infinite(test)

[1] FALSE FALSE TRUE

Useful checking functions

any() can help you check if there are any NA values in a vector

```
test
[1] NaN NA -Inf
any(is.na(test))
[1] TRUE
```

Finding NA values with count ()

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

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

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

Check if rare values make sense.

4 <NA> 4

naniar

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

#install.packages("naniar")
library(naniar)

naniar: pct_complete()

This can tell you if there are missing values in the dataset.

```
pct_complete(bike)
```

[1] 89.21589

Or for a particular variable:

```
bike%>% select(route) %>%
pct_complete()
```

[1] 22.19497

naniar:miss_var_summary()

To get the percent missing (and counts) for each variable as a table, use this function.

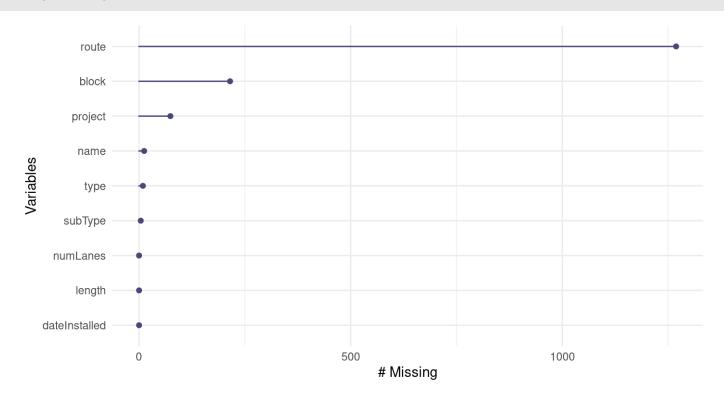
miss_var_summary(bike)

```
# A tibble: 9 \times 3
 variable n_miss pct_miss
 <chr> <int> <dbl>
1 route
                1269 77.8
               215 13.2
2 block
3 project
                  74 4.54
                  12 0.736
4 name
                    0.552
5 type
6 subType
                       0.245
7 numLanes
8 length
                       0
9 dateInstalled
```

naniar plots

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

gg_miss_var(bike)



Missing Data Issues

Recall that mathematical operations with NA often result in NAs.

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

Missing Data Issues

This is also true for logical data. Recall that **TRUE** is evaluated as 1 and **FALSE** is evaluated as 0.

```
x <- c(TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, NA)
sum(x)

[1] NA

sum(x, na.rm = TRUE)

[1] 4</pre>
```

filter() and missing data

Be careful with missing data using subsetting!

filter() removes missing values by default. Because R can't tell for sure if an NA value meets the condition. To keep them need to add is.na() conditional.

Think about if this is OK or not - it depends on your data!

filter() and missing data

What if NA values represent values that are so low it is undetectable?

Filter will drop them from the data.

filter() and missing data

is.na() can help us keep them.

```
bike %>% filter(subType == "STCLN" | is.na(subType))
# A tibble: 5 \times 9
                         block type numLanes project route length dateInstall
  subType name
  <chr>
         <chr>
                        <chr> <chr>
                                        <dbl> <chr> <chr>
                                                             <dbl>
                                                                           <dk
1 <NA> <NA>
                        <NA> BIKE...
                                            1 GUILFO... <NA>
                                                            436.
2 <NA> <NA>
                        <NA> SIDE...
                                                             1025.
                                                                            20
                                            1 <NA>
                                                      NORT...
        <NA>
                                            1 SOUTHE... <NA>
3 <NA>
                         <NA> SIGN...
                                                                            20
                                                             3749.
4 <NA> HUNTINGDON PA... <NA> SIDE...
                                            1 <NA> <NA>
                                                                0
5 STCLN EDMONDSON AVE
                                            1 OPERAT... <NA>
                                                              181.
                                                                            20
                        5300... BIKE...
```

To remove rows with NA values for a variable use drop_na()

A function from the tidyr package. (Need a data frame to start!)

Disclaimer: Don't do this unless you have thought about if dropping NA values makes sense based on knowing what these values mean in your data. Also consider if you need those rows for values for other variables.

```
dim(bike)
[1] 1631 9
bike_drop <- bike %>% drop_na(route)
dim(bike_drop)
[1] 362 9
```

Let's take a look

Can still have NAs for other columns

bike_drop

```
# A tibble: 362 × 9
   subType name
                             block type
                                           numLanes project route length dateInstall
                             <chr> <chr>
                                              <dbl> <chr>
                                                              <chr>
   <chr>
            <chr>
                                                                       <dbl>
                                                                                       <dk
 1 <NA>
                                                              NORT... 1025.
                                                                                        20
            <NA>
                             <NA>
                                   SIDE...
                                                   1 <NA>
 2 STRALY
            WINSTON-ROSS... 1200... SIGN...
                                                   2 COLLEG... COLL...
                                                                       148.
                                                                                        20
            WINSTON-ROSS... 1200... SIGN...
                                                   2 COLLEG... COLL...
                                                                       366.
                                                                                        20
 3 STRALY
 4 STRALY
            WINSTON-STON... 1200... SIGN...
                                                   2 COLLEG... COLL...
                                                                       262.
                                                                                        20
 5 STRPRD
            <NA>
                             <NA>
                                   SIGN...
                                                   1 COLLEG... COLL...
                                                                      49.3
                                                                                        20
 6 STRPRD
            <NA>
                             <NA>
                                   SIGN...
                                                   1 COLLEG... COLL...
                                                                       70.0
                                                                                        20
                                                                                        20
 7 STRPRD
            <NA>
                             <NA>
                                   SIGN...
                                                   1 COLLEG... COLL...
                                                                       765.
                                                                                        20
 8 STRPRD
            <NA>
                                   SIGN...
                                                   2 COLLEG... COLL...
                             <NA>
                                                                       170.
 9 STRPRD
            <NA>
                             <NA>
                                   SIGN...
                                                   2 COLLEG... COLL... 1724.
                                                                                        20
                                                                                        20
10 STRPRD
            ALBEMARLE ST
                             100 ... SIGN...
                                                   1 SOUTHE... LITT...
                                                                       250.
# 0 352 more rows
```

To remove rows with NA values for a data frame use drop_na()

bike_drop <- bike %>% drop_na()

1 247 more rows

This function of the tidyr package drops rows with **any** missing data in **any** column when used on a df.

```
bike drop
# A tibble: 257 × 9
                                         numLanes project route length dateInstall
   subType name
                            block type
   <chr>
            <chr>
                            <chr> <chr>
                                             <dbl> <chr> <chr>
                                                                     <dbl>
                                                                                     <dk
            WINSTON-ROSS... 1200... SIGN...
                                                  2 COLLEG... COLL...
 1 STRALY
                                                                      148.
                                                                                      20
 2 STRALY
            WINSTON-ROSS... 1200... SIGN...
                                                 2 COLLEG... COLL...
                                                                      366.
                                                                                      20
                                                                                      20
 3 STRALY
            WINSTON-STON... 1200... SIGN...
                                                 2 COLLEG... COLL...
                                                                      262.
                                                                                      20
 4 STRPRD
            ALBEMARLE ST
                            100 ... SIGN...
                                                  1 SOUTHE... LITT...
                                                                      250.
            ALBEMARLE ST
                            100 ... SIGN...
                                                 1 SOUTHE... LITT...
                                                                                      20
 5 STRPRD
                                                                      257.
                                                                      251.
                                                                                      20
 6 STRPRD ALBEMARLE ST 200 ... SIGN...
                                                 1 SOUTHE... LITT...
 7 STRPRD ALBEMARLE ST 200 ... SIGN...
                                                 1 SOUTHE... LITT...
                                                                      252.
                                                                                      20
 8 STRPRD ALBEMARLE ST 300 ... SIGN...
                                                                      252.
                                                                                      20
                                                 1 SOUTHE... LITT...
 9 STRPRD ALBEMARLE ST UNIT... SIGN...
                                                 1 SOUTHE... LITT...
                                                                                      20
                                                                      130.
                                                                                      20
                            UNIT... SIGN...
                                                  1 SOUTHE... LITT...
10 STRPRD ALBEMARLE ST
                                                                      143.
```

Drop columns with any missing values

Use the miss_var_which() function from naniar

miss_var_which(bike)# which columns have missing values

[1] "subType" "name" "block" "type" "project" "route"

Drop columns with any missing values

bike_drop <- bike %>% select(!miss_var_which(bike))

miss_var_which and function from naniar (need a data frame)

```
# A tibble: 1,631 × 3
  numLanes length dateInstalled
     <dbl> <dbl>
                          <dbl>
         1 436.
 1
                              0
         1 1025.
                           2010
         1 3749.
 3
                           2010
              0
                              0
         1 181.
                           2011
         2 148.
                           2007
         2 366.
                           2007
         2 262.
                           2007
         1 696.
                           2009
 9
10
                           2007
         1 43.1
# 0 1,621 more rows
```

bike_drop

Change a value to be NA

Let's say we think that all 0 values should be NA.

count(bike, dateInstalled)

```
# A tibble: 9 \times 2
  dateInstalled
                        n
            <dbl> <int>
                      126
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
             2006
             2007
                     368
             2008
                      206
             2009
                     86
                      625
             2010
             2011
                     101
8
             2012
                      107
             2013
                       10
```

Change a value to be NA

The na_if() function of dplyr can be helpful for changing all 0 values to NA.

```
bike <- bike %>%
  mutate(dateInstalled = na_if(dateInstalled, 0))
count(bike, dateInstalled)
# A tibble: 9 \times 2
  dateInstalled
                     n
          <dbl> <int>
            2006
1234567
            2007
                   368
            2008
                   206
            2009
                  86
           2010
                   625
           2011
                   101
           2012
                   107
8
            2013
                   10
              NA
                   126
```

Change NA to be a value

The replace_na() function (part of the tidyr package), can do the opposite of na_if(). (note that you must use numeric values as replacement - we will show how to replace with character strings soon)

```
bike %>%
  mutate(dateInstalled = replace_na(dateInstalled, 2005)) %>%
  count(dateInstalled)
# A tibble: 9 × 2
  dateInstalled
          <dbl> <int>
1
           2005
                   126
           2006
2
3
           2007
                   368
           2008
                   206
4
5
           2009
                    86
6
           2010
                   625
7
           2011
                   101
8
           2012
                   107
9
           2013
                    10
```

Think about NA

THINK ABOUT YOUR DATA FIRST!

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 if it was too low and also if there was a different issue (like no one reported)?

Think about NA

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

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.!

This is because the denominator changes.

Word of caution - Percentages with NA

```
count(bike, dateInstalled) %>% mutate(percent = (n/(sum(n)) *100))
```

```
# A tibble: 9 \times 3
  dateInstalled
                   n percent
         <dbl> <int> <dbl>
                 2 0.123
           2006
123456789
                 368 22.6
           2007
          2008
                 206 12.6
          2009
                 86
                     5.27
          2010
                 625 38.3
          2011
                 101
                     6.19
          2012
                 107 6.56
          2013
                10 0.613
            NA
                 126 7.73
```

Word of caution - Percentages with NA

```
bike %>% drop_na(dateInstalled) %>%
 count(dateInstalled) %>% mutate(percent = (n/(sum(n)) *100))
# A tibble: 8 \times 3
  dateInstalled
                   n percent
         <dbl> <int>
                       <dbl>
1234567
          2006
               2 0.133
          2007
               368 24.5
          2008
                 206 13.7
          2009
               86 5.71
          2010 625 41.5
          2011
                 101 6.71
          2012
                 107 7.11
8
          2013
                       0.664
                  10
```

Should you be dividing by the total count with NA values included? It depends on your data and what NA might mean. Pay attention to your data and your NA values!

Summary

- is.na(),any(is.na()), all(is.na()),count(), and functions from naniar like gg_miss_var() and miss_var_summary can help determine if we have NA values
- miss_var_which can help you drop columns that have any missing values.
- filter() automatically removes NA values can't confirm or deny if condition is met (need | is.na() to keep them)
- drop_na() can help you remove NA values from a variable or an entire data frame
- NA values can change your calculation results
- think about what NA values represent don't drop them if you shouldn't

Lab Part 1

Class Website Lab

Recoding Variables

Example of Recoding

Reading in the data if it were an excel sheet

Data is also here:

http://jhudatascience.org/intro_to_r/data/cleaning_diet_data.xlsx

```
library(readxl)
data_diet<- read_excel(here::here("data", "cleaning_diet_data.xlsx"))</pre>
```

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

data_diet

| # A tibble: 12 × 4 | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| | Diet | Treatment | Weight_start | Weight_change | | | | |
| | <chr></chr> | <chr></chr> | <dbl></dbl> | <db1></db1> | | | | |
| 1 | Α | Ginger | 164 | 16 | | | | |
| 2 | В | Ginger | 104 | -4 | | | | |
| 3 | В | 0ther | 233 | -7 | | | | |
| 4 | Α | peppermint | 173 | 1 | | | | |
| 5 | В | peppermint | 242 | 9 | | | | |
| 6 | В | Ginger | 190 | 6 | | | | |
| 7 | Α | Mint | 119 | -5 | | | | |
| 8 | В | 0 | 121 | 0 | | | | |
| 9 | В | Ginger | 229 | -1 | | | | |
| 10 | Α | mint | 125 | -3 | | | | |
| 11 | В | Mint | 129 | 13 | | | | |
| 12 | В | 0 | 222 | 15 | | | | |

Oh dear...

This needs lots of recoding.

```
data_diet %>%
  count(Treatment)
```

dplyr can help!

Using Excel to find all of the different ways Treatment has been coded, could be hectic! In dplyr you can use the case_when function.

Or you can use case_when()

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

It is more flexible and powerful.

(need mutate here too!)

Or you can use case_when()

Need quotes for conditions and new values!

What happened?

We seem to have NA values!

We didn't specify what happens to values that were already Other or Ginger.

case_when() drops unspecified values

Note that automatically values not reassigned explicitly by case_when() will be NA unless otherwise specified.

{value_for_not_meeting_condition} could be something new or it can be the original values of the column

case_when with TRUE ~ original variable name

```
data diet %>%
  mutate(Treatment_recoded = case_when(
                                   Treatment == "0" ~ "Other",
                                  Treatment == "Mint" ~ "Peppermint",
Treatment == "mint" ~ "Peppermint",
Treatment == "peppermint" ~ "Peppermint",
                                    TRUE ~ Treatment)) %>%
  count(Treatment, Treatment recoded)
# A tibble: 6 \times 3
  Treatment Treatment_recoded
  <chr> <chr>
                                   <int>
1 Ginger Ginger
2 Mint Peppermint
              0ther
3 0
4 Other Other
5 mint Peppermint
6 peppermint Peppermint
```

Typically it is good practice to include the TRUE statement

You never know if you might be missing something - and if a value already was an NA it will stay that way.

But maybe we want NA?

Perhaps we want values that are O or Other to actually be NA, then case_when can be helpful for this. We simply specify everything else.

case_when() can also overwrite/update a variable

Just like recode, just need to specify what we want in the first part of mutate.

More complicated case_when()

case_when can do more complicated statements than recode and can match many patterns at a time.

Another reason for case_when()

case_when can do very sophisticated comparisons!

Here we create a new variable called Effect.

| | Diet | Treatment | Weight_start | <pre>Weight_change</pre> | Effect |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| | <chr></chr> | <chr></chr> | <dbl></dbl> | <db1></db1> | <chr></chr> |
| 1 | Α | Ginger | 164 | 16 | Increase |
| 2 | В | Ginger | 104 | -4 | Decrease |
| 3 | В | 0ther | 233 | -7 | Decrease |
| 4 | | peppermint | 173 | 1 | Increase |
| 5 | В | peppermint | 242 | 9 | Increase |
| 6 | В | Ginger | 190 | 6 | Increase |

Now it is easier to see what is happening

```
data_diet %>%
   count(Diet, Effect)

# A tibble: 5 × 3
   Diet Effect n
   <chr>   <chr>   <chr>   <int>
1 A Decrease 2
2 A Increase 2
3 B Decrease 3
4 B Increase 4
5 B Same 1
```

Working with strings

Strings in R

· 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

str_detect()

The string argument specifies what to check
The pattern argument specifies what to check for (case sensitive)

```
Effect <- pull(data_diet) %>% head(n = 6)
Effect

[1] "Increase" "Decrease" "Increase" "Increase" "Increase"

str_detect(string = Effect, pattern = "d")

[1] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE

str_detect(string = Effect, pattern = "D")

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

str_replace()

The string argument specifies what to check
The pattern argument specifies what to check for
The replacement argument specifies what to replace the pattern with

```
str_replace(string = Effect, pattern = "D", replacement = "d")
[1] "Increase" "decrease" "Increase" "Increase" "Increase"
```

st_replace() only replaces the first instance of the pattern in each value

str_replace_all() can be used to replace all instances within each value

```
str_replace(string = Effect, pattern = "e", replacement = "E")

[1] "IncrEase" "DEcrease" "IncrEase" "IncrEase" "IncrEase"

str_replace_all(string = Effect, pattern = "e", replacement = "E")

[1] "IncrEasE" "DEcrEasE" "DEcrEasE" "IncrEasE" "IncrEasE" "IncrEasE"
```

Subsetting part of a string

str_sub() allows you to subset part of a string
The string argument specifies what strings to work with
The start argument specifies position of where to start
The end argument specifies position of where to end

```
str_sub(string = Effect, start = 1, end = 3)
[1] "Inc" "Dec" "Dec" "Inc" "Inc" "Inc"
```

filter and stringr functions

```
head(data\_diet, n = 4)
# A tibble: 4 \times 5
  Diet Treatment Weight_start Weight_change Effect
  <chr> <chr>
                           <dbl>
                                          <dbl> <chr>
1 A
        Ginger
                             164
                                             16 Increase
2 B
       Ginger
                             104
                                             -4 Decrease
3 B
        Other
                             233
                                             -7 Decrease
                             173
        peppermint
                                              1 Increase
data diet %>%
  filter(str_detect(string = Treatment,
                     pattern = "int"))
# A tibble: 5 \times 5
  Diet Treatment
                    Weight_start Weight_change Effect
                                          <dbl> <chr>
                           <dbl>
  <chr> <chr>
1 A
        peppermint
                             173
                                               1 Increase
2 B
3 A
        peppermint
                             242
                                              9 Increase
       Mint
                             119
                                             -5 Decrease
4 A
       mint
                             125
                                             -3 Decrease
5 B
       Mint
                             129
                                             13 Increase
```

OK back to our original problem

count(data_diet, Treatment)

case_when() made an improvement

But we still might miss a strange value

```
data_diet %>%
  mutate(Treatment_recoded = case_when(
    Treatment %in% c("G", "g", "Ginger", "ginger") ~ "Ginger",
    Treatment %in% c("Mint", "mint", "Peppermint", "peppermint") ~ "Peppermint"
    Treatment %in% c("O", "Other") ~ "Other",
    TRUE ~ Treatment))
```

case_when() improved with stringr

^ indicates the beginning of a character string \$ indicates the end

```
data_diet %>%
  mutate(Treatment_recoded = case_when(
    str_detect(string = Treatment, pattern = "int") ~ "Peppermint",
    str_detect(string = Treatment, pattern = "^o|^0") ~ "Other",
    TRUE ~ Treatment)) %>%
    count(Treatment, Treatment_recoded)
# A tibble: 6 × 3
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 3
Treatment Treatment_recoded n
<chr> <chr> <chr> 1 Ginger Ginger 4
2 Mint Peppermint 2
3 0 Other 2
4 Other Other 1
5 mint Peppermint 1
6 peppermint Peppermint 2
```

This is a more robust solution! It will catch typos as long as first letter is correct or there is part of the word mint.

That's better!



Separating and uniting data

Uniting columns

The unite() function can help combine columns

The col argument specifies new column name

The sep argument specifies what separator to use when combining -default is "_" The remove argument specifies if you want to drop the old columns

```
diet_comb <- data_diet %>%
  unite(Diet, Effect, col = "change", remove = TRUE)
```

diet_comb

| # A tibble: 12 × 4 | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| | change | Treatment | Weight_start | Weight_change | | | | |
| | <chr></chr> | <chr></chr> | <dbl></dbl> | <db1></db1> | | | | |
| 1 | A_Increase | Ginger | 164 | 16 | | | | |
| 2 | B_Decrease | Ginger | 104 | -4 | | | | |
| 3 | B_Decrease | 0ther | 233 | -7 | | | | |
| | A_Increase | | 173 | 1 | | | | |
| | B_Increase | | 242 | 9 | | | | |
| 6 | B_Increase | Ginger | 190 | 6 | | | | |
| 7 | A_Decrease | Mint | 119 | -5 | | | | |
| 8 | B_Same | 0 | 121 | 0 | | | | |
| 9 | B_Decrease | Ginger | 229 | -1 | | | | |
| 10 | A_Decrease | mint | 125 | -3 | | | | |
| 11 | B_Increase | Mint | 129 | 13 | | | | |
| 12 | B_Increase | 0 | 222 | 15 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |

Separating columns based on a separator

The separate() function from tidyr can split a column into multiple columns. The col argument specifies what column to work with The into argument specifies names of new columns
The sep argument specifies what to separate by

```
diet_comb <- diet_comb %>%
  separate(col = change, into = c("Diet", "Change"), sep = "_" )
diet comb
# A tibble: 12 \times 5
   Diet Change Treatment Weight_start Weight_change
   <chr> <chr> <chr>
                                     <dbl>
                                                   <dbl>
         Increase Ginger
                                       164
                                                      16
 1 A
 2 B
         Decrease Ginger
                                       104
 3 B
                                       233
         Decrease Other
                                       173
         Increase peppermint
         Increase peppermint
                                      242
                                                       6
                                       190
         Increase Ginger
         Decrease Mint
                                       119
 8
  В
         Same
                                      121
                                                       0
                  0
                                      229
 9 B
         Decrease Ginger
                                       125
                                                      -3
10 A
         Decrease mint
11 B
                                       129
                                                      13
         Increase Mint
12 B
                                       222
                                                      15
         Increase 0
```

Summary

- · case_when() requires mutate() when working with dataframes/tibbles
- case_when() can recode entire values based on conditions (need quotes for conditions and new values)
 - remember case_when() needs TRUE ~ varaible to keep values that aren't specified by conditions, otherwise will be NA

Summary Continued

- stringr package has great functions for looking for specific parts of values especially filter() and str_detect() combined
- stringr also has other useful string functions like str_detect() (finding patterns in a column or vector), str_subset() (parsing text), str_replace() (replacing the first instance in values), str_replace_all() (replacing all instances in each value) and more!
- separate() can split columns into additional columns
- unite() can combine columns
- · : can indicate when you want to start and end with columns next to one another

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Extra Slides

recode() function

This is similar to case_when() but it can't do as much.

(need mutate for data frames/tibbles!)

```
# General Format - this is not code!
{data_input} %>%
  mutate({variable_to_fix_or_new} = recode({Variable_fixing}, {old_value} = {recode(value}))
```

recode() function

Need quotes for new values! Tolerates quotes for old values.

recode()

```
data_diet %>%
 mutate(Treatment_recoded = recode(Treatment,
                                     0 = "Other",
                                  Mint = "Peppermint",
                                  mint = "Peppermint",
                             peppermint = "Peppermint")) %>%
 count(Treatment, Treatment_recoded)
# A tibble: 6 \times 3
 Treatment Treatment_recoded
 <chr> <chr>
                              <int>
1 Ginger
            Ginger
2 Mint Peppermint
3 0
            Other
4 Other Other
5 mint Peppermint
6 peppermint Peppermint
```

Can update or overwrite variables with recode too!

Just use the same variable name to change the variable within mutate.

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.

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"
```

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

'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)

some data to work with

Sal = read_salaries() # or

Showing difference 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 difference 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

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

Using Regular Expressions: stringr

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$AnnualSalary, fixed=TRUE))
Sal <- Sal[order(Sal$AnnualSalary, decreasing=TRUE), ]
Sal[1:5, c("name", "AnnualSalary", "JobTitle")]
# A tibble: 5 \times 3
                 AnnualSalary JobTitle
  name
  <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

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")
```

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

Removing columns with threshold of percent missing values

```
is.na(df) \% \% head(n = 3)
         Χ
[1,] FALSE
[2,] FALSE
[3,] FALSE
colMeans(is.na(df))#TRUE and FALSE treated like 0 and 1
Χ
0
which(colMeans(is.na(df)) < 0.2) #the location of the columns < .2
Χ
1
df %>% select(which(colMeans(is.na(df)) < 0.2))# remove if over 20% missing</pre>
# A tibble: 3 × 1
  Χ
  <chr>
1 I really
2 like writing
3 R code programs
```