

R Review

INFO 370

Learning Objectives

Review the fundamentals of R for data science:

- Wrangling 2D data structures with **dplyr**
- Using **tidyr** to reshape data
- Plotting with **ggplot2**

Perform EDA in R and compare the process to using Python

*Reminder: reference the INFO 201 [course book](#) for more information

Wrangling Data

DPLYR

"A grammar for data manipulation"

Provides verbs for common tasks

Make your code easier to write and read

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iris

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
2	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
3	4.9	3	1.4	0.2	setosa
4	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
5	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	setosa
6	5	3.6	1.4	0.2	setosa
7	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	setosa
8	4.6	3.4	1.4	0.3	setosa
9	5	3.4	1.5	0.2	setosa
10	4.4	2.9	1.4	0.2	setosa
11	4.9	3.1	1.5	0.1	setosa

widths

	B	D
1	Sepal.Width	Petal.Width
2	3.5	0.2
3	3	0.2
4	3.2	0.2
5	3.1	0.2
6	3.6	0.2
7	3.9	0.4
8	3.4	0.3
9	3.4	0.2
10	2.9	0.2
11	3.1	0.1



```
widths <- select(iris, Sepal.Width, Petal.Width)
```

iris

1	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
48	5.1	3.8	1.6	0.2	setosa
49	4.6	3.2	1.4	0.2	setosa
50	5.3	3.7	1.5	0.2	setosa
51	5	3.3	1.4	0.2	setosa
52	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	versicolor
53	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	versicolor
54	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	versicolor
55	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	versicolor
56	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	versicolor

large.widths

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
45	5	3.5	1.6	0.6	setosa
52	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	versicolor
53	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	versicolor
54	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	versicolor
55	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	versicolor
56	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	versicolor
57	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	versicolor
58	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	versicolor
59	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	versicolor
60	6.6	2.9	4.6	1.3	versicolor



```
large.widths <- filter(iris, Sepal.Width > .6)
```

1	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species	Width.Ratio	Inverse.Ratio
2	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa	0.05714286	17.5
3	4.9	3	1.4	0.2	setosa	0.06666667	15
4	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa	0.0625	16
5	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	setosa	0.06451613	15.5
6	5	3.6	1.4	0.2	setosa	0.05555556	18
7	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	setosa	0.1025641	9.75
8	4.6	3.4	1.4	0.3	setosa	0.08823529	11.33333333
9	5	3.4	1.5	0.2	setosa	0.05882353	17
10	4.4	2.9	1.4	0.2	setosa	0.06896552	14.5

```
new.df <- mutate(iris,
  Width.Ratio = Petal.Width/Sepal.Width,
  Inverse.Ratio = 1/Width.Ratio)
```

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
12	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	setosa
13	4.8	3.4	1.6	0.2	setosa
14	4.8	3	1.4	0.1	setosa
15	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	setosa
16	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	setosa
17	4.8	3	1.4	0.3	setosa
18	4.9	3	1.4	0.2	setosa
19	4.9	3.1	1.5	0.1	setosa
20	4.9	3.1	1.5	0.2	setosa

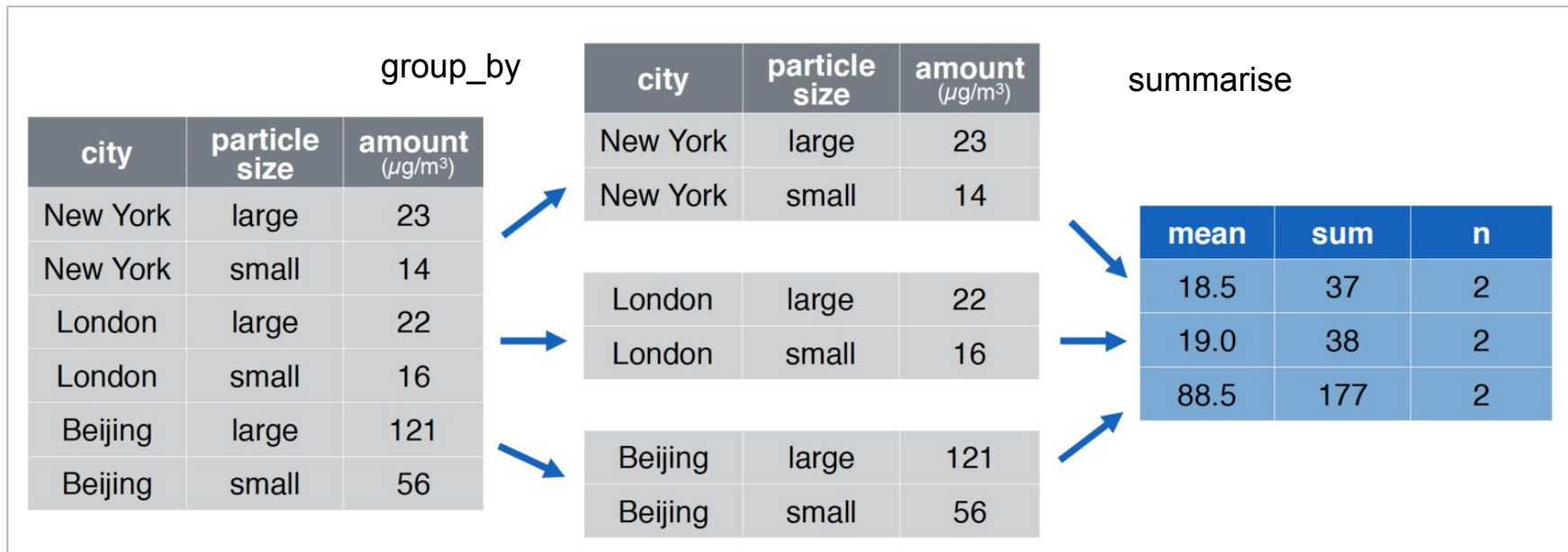
```
sorted <- arrange(iris, Sepal.Length)
```


Petal.Width
0.2
0.2
0.1
0.1
0.2
0.4
0.4
0.3
0.3



mean
1.19933333

```
mean.width <- summarise(iris, mean = mean(Petal.Width))
```



```
# Group the pollution data.frame by city for comparison
pollution <- group_by(pollution, city) %>%
  summarise(mean = mean(amount), sum = sum(amount), n = n())
```

Group-by, then Summarize

The Pipe Operator

Takes the ***result from one function*** and passes it in as the ***first argument*** to the next function

Part of the DPLYR package

Written in R as %>% (use the shortcut)

This will completely simplify your code

```
# Begin your piped operation: filter down to only four cylinder cars
best.car.name <- mutate(mtcars, car.name = row.names(mtcars)) %>%
  filter(cyl == 4) %>%
  filter(mpg == max(mpg)) %>%
  select(car.name)
```

Reshaping Data

Tidy Data

The goal of tidyr is to help you create tidy data. Tidy data is data where:

- Each variable is in a column.
- Each observation is a row.
- Each value is a cell.

Quote from [documentation](#)

*You might need to take on a **different shape** for creating graphics

Reshaping Data

Two common reshaping operations in the tidyr package

- **gather()** takes multiple columns, and gathers them into key-value pairs: it makes “wide” data longer.
- **spread()** takes two columns (key & value) and spreads in to multiple columns, it makes “long” data wider.

```
# Make a data.frame
library(tidyr)
library(ggplot2)
students <- data.frame(
  names=c('Mason', 'Tabi', 'Bryce'),
  math_exam1 = c(91, 82, 93),
  math_exam2 = c(88, 79, 77),
  spanish_exam1 = c(79, 88, 92),
  spanish_exam2 = c(99, 92, 92)
)

# Make long data (by student-exam)
students.exam.long <- gather(students, exam, score, -names)

# Make a group of histograms, one for each exam (facet by exam)
ggplot(students.exam.long) + geom_bar(mapping=aes(score)) + facet_wrap(~exam)

# Make wide data (by exam)
spread(students.exam.long, names, score)
```

New Key

Columns
to gather

New value

Graphing Data

Grammar of Graphics

Same principles of using a grammar of data manipulation

Create a **consistent vocabulary** for the tasks we perform:

- **Data** to be shown in the plot
- **Geometric** objects we wish to display
- **Aesthetic** mappings between our data values and their visual encodings
- **Statistical** transformations to be performed on the data
- **Scales** of values to be applied to our aesthetics
- **Coordinate** system to organize our geometries
- **Facets** (groups) of our data to show in different plots (small multiples)

Basic use

Use the **ggplot()** function to draw a plot, then describe elements via the grammar

The **aes** function describes *which aesthetics* (x position, color, etc.) should be driven by *which data*

```
ggplot(data = mpg) +  
geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
```

Data to plot

Add a geometry

Geometry to add (circles)

Describe aesthetic mapping from data space to a visual space

Fork and clone this repo
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(ungraded)

[class/r-review](#)

[notebook-set-2](#)

Upcoming...

Notebook set 2 due **Monday night**

Reading 2 (probability and statistics) due **next Tuesday** before class

- Late submissions not accepted!

Next week: Developing metrics + basic statistical tests