

Data Frame Slicing

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Slicing or indexing a data frame

There are a set of useful examples of working with data frames, the ideas are covered in book and in the swirl exercises, but let's look at these using the built-in data set mtcars, data from a 1974 motor trend publication

```
data(mtcars)
```

```
summary(mtcars)
```

```
##           mpg           cyl           disp           hp
##  Min.   :10.40   Min.   :4.000   Min.    : 71.1   Min.    : 52.0
## 1st Qu.:15.43   1st Qu.:4.000   1st Qu.:120.8   1st Qu.: 96.5
## Median :19.20   Median :6.000   Median :196.3   Median :123.0
## Mean   :20.09   Mean   :6.188   Mean   :230.7   Mean   :146.7
## 3rd Qu.:22.80   3rd Qu.:8.000   3rd Qu.:326.0   3rd Qu.:180.0
## Max.   :33.90   Max.   :8.000   Max.   :472.0   Max.   :335.0
##           drat           wt           qsec           vs
##  Min.   :2.760   Min.   :1.513   Min.   :14.50   Min.   :0.0000
## 1st Qu.:3.080   1st Qu.:2.581   1st Qu.:16.89   1st Qu.:0.0000
## Median :3.695   Median :3.325   Median :17.71   Median :0.0000
## Mean   :3.597   Mean   :3.217   Mean   :17.85   Mean   :0.4375
## 3rd Qu.:3.920   3rd Qu.:3.610   3rd Qu.:18.90   3rd Qu.:1.0000
## Max.   :4.930   Max.   :5.424   Max.   :22.90   Max.   :1.0000
##           am           gear           carb
##  Min.   :0.0000   Min.   :3.000   Min.   :1.000
## 1st Qu.:0.0000   1st Qu.:3.000   1st Qu.:2.000
## Median :0.0000   Median :4.000   Median :2.000
## Mean   :0.4062   Mean   :3.688   Mean   :2.812
## 3rd Qu.:1.0000   3rd Qu.:4.000   3rd Qu.:4.000
## Max.   :1.0000   Max.   :5.000   Max.   :8.000
```

For each example bit of code, run it, and then above it, state what the code is doing and how you might make use of it.

Suggesting a change in the code, and run it, making sure the change did what you expected

indexing rows and columns Code is displaying the first 4 rows with all columns associated with that data. Changing it to 1:10 will result in the first 10 rows being displayed.

```
mtcars[1:10,]
```

```
##           mpg cyl  disp  hp drat   wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Mazda RX4      21.0   6 160.0 110 3.90 2.620 16.46  0  1    4    4
## Mazda RX4 Wag  21.0   6 160.0 110 3.90 2.875 17.02  0  1    4    4
## Datsun 710     22.8   4 108.0  93 3.85 2.320 18.61  1  1    4    1
## Hornet 4 Drive  21.4   6 258.0 110 3.08 3.215 19.44  1  0    3    1
## Hornet Sportabout 18.7   8 360.0 175 3.15 3.440 17.02  0  0    3    2
## Valiant        18.1   6 225.0 105 2.76 3.460 20.22  1  0    3    1
## Duster 360     14.3   8 360.0 245 3.21 3.570 15.84  0  0    3    4
## Merc 240D      24.4   4 146.7  62 3.69 3.190 20.00  1  0    4    2
## Merc 230       22.8   4 140.8  95 3.92 3.150 22.90  1  0    4    2
## Merc 280       19.2   6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.30  1  0    4    4
```

#Question: What does the code below do? This code displays the first 4 rows with only the first 3 columns associated with that data. By changing the 1:3 to 4:6, we will see columns 4-6 instead of 1-3.

```
mtcars[1:4,4:6]
```

```
##           hp drat   wt
## Mazda RX4      110 3.90 2.620
## Mazda RX4 Wag  110 3.90 2.875
## Datsun 710      93 3.85 2.320
## Hornet 4 Drive 110 3.08 3.215
```

```
min_mpg=min(mtcars$mpg)

car_min_mpg=which(mtcars$mpg==min_mpg)

mtcars[car_min_mpg,]
```

```
##           mpg cyl disp  hp drat   wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Cadillac Fleetwood 10.4   8 472 205 2.93 5.250 17.98  0  0    3    4
## Lincoln Continental 10.4   8 460 215 3.00 5.424 17.82  0  0    3    4
```

#Question/Action

Change the code above to find the car with the worst mileage

```
unique(mtcars$cyl)
```

```
## [1] 6 4 8
```

#Question/Action

How many different numbers of cylinders are found in this set of cars? 3 different numbers of cylinders

Selecting based on a condition Changed it to 6 to select the 6 cylinder vehicles

```
print(mtcars[mtcars$cyl==6,])
```

```
##           mpg cyl  disp  hp drat   wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Mazda RX4      21.0   6 160.0 110 3.90 2.620 16.46 0  1   4    4
## Mazda RX4 Wag  21.0   6 160.0 110 3.90 2.875 17.02 0  1   4    4
## Hornet 4 Drive 21.4   6 258.0 110 3.08 3.215 19.44 1  0   3    1
## Valiant        18.1   6 225.0 105 2.76 3.460 20.22 1  0   3    1
## Merc 280       19.2   6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.30 1  0   4    4
## Merc 280C      17.8   6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.90 1  0   4    4
## Ferrari Dino   19.7   6 145.0 175 3.62 2.770 15.50 0  1   5    6
```

#Question

In the cell below, what is happening Apply will apply the function in the third field onto the data set in the first field, with 2 in the second field indicating that it is applying to the columns, 1 would indicate rows.

```
apply(mtcars,2,mean)
```

```
##           mpg           cyl           disp           hp           drat           wt           qsec
## 20.090625    6.187500 230.721875 146.687500    3.596563    3.217250 17.848750
##           vs           am           gear           carb
## 0.437500    0.406250    3.687500    2.812500
```

#This is a table calculation, what is it telling you?

What do the entries in this table show you?

This is also called a “pivot table” or “cross table”

This table calculation shows how many entries in the table include both values from both entries, so how many vehicles with 3 gears and 4 cylinders, 6 cylinders, and 8 cylinders, vehicles with 4 gears and 4,6,8 cylinders, etc.

```
table(mtcars$gear,mtcars$cyl)
```

```
##
##      4  6  8
## 3   1  2 12
## 4   8  4  0
## 5   2  1  2
```

Question: How do these tables differ from the one above

The first one shows the average horsepower for the different cylinder options, and the second one shows the average horsepower for the different cylinder options given the number of gears that cylinder has.

```
tapply(mtcars$hp,c(as.factor(mtcars$cyl)),mean)
```

```
##           4           6           8
## 82.63636 122.28571 209.21429
```

```
tapply(mtcars$hp,list(as.factor(mtcars$cyl),as.factor(mtcars$gear)),mean)
```

```
##           3           4           5
## 4  97.0000  76.0 102.0
## 6 107.5000 116.5 175.0
## 8 194.1667   NA 299.5
```

#Questions:

Which of the 4 cylinder cars has the highest horsepower? Lotus Europa

```
max(mtcars$hp[mtcars$cyl==4])
```

```
## [1] 113
```

```
mtcars[mtcars$cyl==4&mtcars$hp==113,]
```

```
##           mpg cyl disp  hp drat   wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Lotus Europa 30.4   4 95.1 113 3.77 1.513 16.9  1  1    5    2
```

Compute the mean horse power per number of gears

```
tapply(mtcars$hp,c(as.factor(mtcars$gear)),mean)
```

```
##           3           4           5
## 176.1333  89.5000 195.6000
```