Video 20: dplyr - select, filter, mutate

Stats 102A

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dplyr

dplyr

dplyr is a core part of the tidyverse.

You can load the library with library(dplyr) or by loading all of the tidyverse with library(tidyverse)

dplyr vignette

When working with data you must:

- Figure out what you want to do.
- Describe those tasks in the form of a computer program.
- Execute the program.

The dplyr package makes these steps fast and easy:

- By constraining your options, it helps you think about your data manipulation challenges.
- It provides simple "verbs", functions that correspond to the most common data manipulation tasks, to help you translate your thoughts into code.

dplyr vignette

dplyr is a grammar of data manipulation, providing a consistent set of verbs that help you solve the most common data manipulation challenges:

- select() picks variables based on their names.
- filter() picks cases based on their values.
- mutate() adds new variables that are functions of existing variables.
- arrange() changes the ordering of the rows.
- summarise() reduces multiple values down to a single summary.

These all combine naturally with group_by() which allows you to perform any operation "by group."

the dplyr cheat sheet

https://github.com/rstudio/cheatsheets/blob/master/data-transformation.pdf



dplyr examples

The starwars data set

The Star Wars data set is included with dplyr. It contains information about various Star Wars characters from the first 7 Star Wars movies.

1	starwa	rs					
# A tibble: 87 × 14							
name	height	mass	hair_color	skin_color	eye_color birth	_year	sex
gender							
<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>
<chr></chr>							
1 Luke Sk	172	77	blond	fair	blue	19	male
mascu							
2 C-3PO	167	75	<na></na>	gold	yellow	112	none
mascu							
3 R2-D2	96	32	<na></na>	white, bl	red	33	none
mascu							
4 Darth V	202	136	none	white	yellow	41.9	male
mascu							
5 Leia Or…	150	49	brown	light	brown	19	fema
femin							
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Select columns with select()

When using select(), you do not need to put quotes around the column names if there are no spaces in the names.

```
1 select(starwars, name, homeworld, species, films)
# A tibble: 87 \times 4
                     homeworld species films
  name
  <chr>
                     <chr>
                              <chr>
                                      st>
1 Luke Skywalker
                     Tatooine Human <chr [5]>
2 C-3PO
                     Tatooine Droid <chr [6]>
3 R2-D2
                     Naboo Droid <chr [7]>
4 Darth Vader
                     Tatooine Human
                                      <chr [4]>
5 Leia Organa
                    Alderaan Human
                                      <chr [5]>
6 Owen Lars
                     Tatooine Human
                                      <chr [3]>
 7 Beru Whitesun Lars Tatooine Human
                                      <chr [3]>
8 R5-D4
                     Tatooine Droid
                                      <chr [1]>
9 Biggs Darklighter Tatooine Human
                                      <chr [1]>
10 Obi-Wan Kenobi
                     Stewjon
                                      <chr [6]>
                              Human
# i 77 more rows
```

Using the pipe

The pipe %>% takes the result of what is in front of the pipe and inserts it as the first argument in the function that comes after the pipe. x %>% f(y) turns into f(x, y) so the result from one step is then "piped" into the next step.

```
1 # select(starwars, name, homeworld, species, films) is exactly equivalent to
          2 starwars %>%
              select(name, homeworld, species, films)
# A tibble: 87 \times 4
                     homeworld species films
   name
   <chr>
                     <chr>
                               <chr> <chr> 
1 Luke Skywalker
                     Tatooine Human
                                       <chr [5]>
                                       <chr [6]>
 2 C-3PO
                     Tatooine Droid
 3 R2-D2
                     Naboo
                               Droid
                                       <chr [7]>
                    Tatooine Human
                                       <chr [4]>
 4 Darth Vader
 5 Leia Organa
                    Alderaan Human
                                       <chr [5]>
                    Tatooine Human
                                       <chr [3]>
 6 Owen Lars
 7 Beru Whitesun Lars Tatooine Human
                                       <chr [3]>
 8 R5-D4
                     Tatooine Droid
                                       <chr [1]>
 9 Biggs Darklighter Tatooine Human
                                       <chr [1]>
10 Obi-Wan Kenobi
                     Stewjon Human
                                       <chr [6]>
# i 77 more rows
```

Native Pipe >

R versions 4.1 and later have a native pipe. >

The functionality is almost identical to the pipe that is part of the tidyverse %>%

More information: https://www.tidyverse.org/blog/2023/04/base-vs-magrittr-pipe/

```
1 # select(starwars, name, homeworld, species, films) is exactly equivalent to
          2 starwars |>
              select(name, homeworld, species, films)
# A tibble: 87 \times 4
                     homeworld species films
  name
  < chr >
                     <chr>
                                <chr>
                                        st>
1 Luke Skywalker
                     Tatooine Human <chr [5]>
                     Tatooine Droid
2 C-3PO
                                       <chr [6]>
3 R2-D2
                     Naboo
                               Droid
                                        <chr [7]>
4 Darth Vader
                     Tatooine Human
                                        <chr [4]>
5 Leia Organa
                     Alderaan Human
                                        <chr [5]>
                                        <chr [3]>
 6 Owen Lars
                     Tatooine Human
7 Beru Whitesun Lars Tatooine Human
                                        <chr [3]>
8 R5-D4
                     Tatooine Droid
                                        <chr [1]>
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                                        <chr [1]>
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                     Stewjon
                                Human
                                        <chr [6]>
# i 77 more rows
```

Shortcut to insert the pipe

Shortcut to insert the pipe:

CTRL(CMD) + SHIFT + M

Select columns with select()

Use a negative sign to deselect columns

select() example

Use colon notation to select a range of columns

```
1 starwars %>%
2 select(name:eye_color) %>%
3 head(3)

# A tibble: 3 × 6
name height mass hair_color skin_color eye_color
<chr> <int> <dbl> <chr> <int> <dbl> <chr> < chr> 1 Luke Skywalker 172 77 blond fair blue
2 C-3PO 167 75 <NA> gold yellow
3 R2-D2 96 32 <NA> white, blue red
```

Special selection function

dplyr has special selection functions. See ?tidyselect::select_helpers

- contains() Select columns that contain a character string
- starts_with() Select columns that start with a character string
- ends_with() Select columns that end with a string
- matches() Select columns that match a regular expression
- everything() Select all columns
- num_range() Select columns named something like x1, x2, x3, x4, x5
- one of(name vector) Select columns where the names are stored in a vector

Selection function examples

```
1 starwars %>%
            select(name, ends with("color")) %>% # selects name and cols endi
            head(3)
# A tibble: 3 \times 4
       hair color skin color eye color
 name
 <chr>
             <chr> <chr> <chr>
1 Luke Skywalker blond fair blue
2 C-3PO <NA> gold yellow
3 R2-D2 <NA> white, blue red
        1 # selects name column and columns that match the regex, which says
        2 starwars %>%
        3 select(name, matches("s$")) %>%
        4 \quad \text{head}(3)
# A tibble: 3 \times 6
             mass species films vehicles starships
 name
 <chr>
            <dbl> <chr> <list> <list> <list>
1 Luke Skywalker 77 Human <chr [5]> <chr [2]> <chr [2]>
              75 Droid <chr [6]> <chr [0]> <chr [0]>
2 C-3PO
             32 Droid <chr [7]> <chr [0]> <chr [0]>
3 R2-D2
```

Selecting with a variable

You can also select with a vector of names. To accomplish this, use the functions all_of() or any_of()

```
1 vars <- c("name", "mass", "height")</pre>
          2 starwars %>% select(all of(vars))
\# A tibble: 87 \times 3
                      mass height
   name
  <chr>
                      <dbl> <int>
1 Luke Skywalker
                               172
2 C-3PO
                            167
3 R2-D2
                       32
                            96
4 Darth Vader
                               202
                       136
5 Leia Organa
                       49
                              150
 6 Owen Lars
                       120
                               178
7 Beru Whitesun Lars
                       75
                              165
                        32
                            97
8 R5-D4
                     84 183
9 Biggs Darklighter
10 Obi-Wan Kenobi
                               182
                         77
# i 77 more rows
```

Filter rows with filter()

With filter() you specify conditions to filter the rows in the data. Filter can use any condition that can be expressed as a logical vector with length equal to the number of rows.

filter() examples

Multiple conditions can be applied. Using the comma is equivalent to using &

```
1 starwars %>%
               filter(species %in% c("Human", "Droid"), height < 175)
\# A tibble: 14 \times 14
            height mass hair color skin color eye color birth year sex
   name
gender
            <int> <dbl> <chr>
                                      < chr >
                                                 <chr>
                                                                 <dbl> <chr>
   <chr>
<chr>
 1 Luke Sk...
                       77 blond
                                      fair
                                                                     19 male
               172
                                                 blue
mascu...
 2 C-3PO
                167
                       75 <NA>
                                      gold
                                                 yellow
                                                                    112 none
mascu...
 3 R2 - D2
                 96
                       32 <NA>
                                      white, bl... red
                                                                     33 none
mascu...
 4 Leia Or...
                150
                       49 brown
                                      light
                                                                     19 fema...
                                                 brown
femin...
 5 Beru Wh...
               165
                       75 brown
                                      light
                                                 blue
                                                                     47 fema...
femin...
                 \cap
```

filter() is very powerful with regular expressions

We'll learn regular expressions in the next lecture. str_detect() returns a logical vector.

```
1 starwars %>%
              filter(str detect(name, "^F")) # the name starts with F
\# A tibble: 2 \times 14
           height mass hair color skin color eye color birth year sex
 name
gender
          <int> <dbl> <chr>
                                                           <dbl> <chr>
 <chr>
                                  <chr>
                                             <chr>
<chr>
1 Finis Va... 170 NA blond
                                  fair
                                             blue
                                                              91 male
mascu...
2 Finn
           NA
                    NA black dark
                                             dark
                                                              NA male
mascu...
# i 5 more variables: homeworld <chr>, species <chr>, films <list>,
  vehicles <list>, starships <list>
```

The dplyr functions can be piped into each other

use | for 'OR`

```
1 starwars %>%
               filter(hair color == "none" | eye color == "black") %>%
               select (name, species, homeworld, hair color, eye color)
\# A tibble: 39 \times 5
                 species
                              homeworld
                                               hair color eye color
   name
   <chr>
                 <chr>
                              <chr>
                                               <chr>
                                                          \langle chr \rangle
 1 Darth Vader
                 Human
                              Tatooine
                                                          yellow
                                               none
 2 Greedo
                 Rodian
                              Rodia
                                                          black
                                               \langle NA \rangle
 3 IG-88
                 Droid
                              <NA>
                                                          red
                                               none
 4 Bossk
                 Trandoshan Trandosha
                                                          red
                                               none
                            Bespin
 5 Lobot
                                                          blue
                 Human
                                               none
 6 Ackbar
                 Mon Calamari Mon Cala
                                                          orange
                                               none
 7 Nien Nunb
                 Sullustan Sullust
                                                          black
                                               none
 8 Nute Gunray Neimodian Cato Neimoidia none
                                                          red
 9 Jar Jar Binks Gungan
                               Naboo
                                                          orange
                                               none
```

Sort rows with arrange()

If you want to put things in descending order, wrap the variable name with desc()

```
starwars %>%
              select(name, birth year, height, mass) %>%
              arrange(desc(birth year), mass)
\# A tibble: 87 \times 4
                        birth year height
                                          mass
  name
                             <dbl> <int> <dbl>
  <chr>
                               896
                                       66
1 Yoda
                                             17
2 Jabba Desilijic Tiure
                               600
                                      175 1358
 3 Chewbacca
                               200 228 112
4 C-3PO
                               112 167
 5 Dooku
                               102 193 80
 6 Ki-Adi-Mundi
                                92
                                      198 82
7 Qui-Gon Jinn
                                92
                                      193
                                            89
8 Finis Valorum
                                91
                                      170
                                             NA
 9 Palpatine
                                82
                                      170
                                             75
10 Cliegg Lars
                                82
                                      183
                                             NA
 i 77 more rows
```

Select rows based on their position with slice()

slice() lets you select rows based on their locations. The
following selects rows 5 through 10

```
1 starwars \%>\% slice(5:10)
# A tibble: 6 \times 14
             height mass hair color skin color eye color birth year sex
  name
gender
  <chr>
          <int> <dbl> <chr>
                                        <chr>
                                                    < chr >
                                                                     <dbl> <chr>
<chr>
1 Leia Org...
                150
                        49 brown
                                        light
                                                                        19 fema...
                                                    brown
femin...
2 Owen Lars
                178
                       120 brown, gr... light
                                                    blue
                                                                        52 male
mascu...
3 Beru Whi...
                165
                        75 brown
                                        light
                                                    blue
                                                                        47 fema...
femin...
                 97
4 R5-D4
                        32 < NA >
                                        white, red red
                                                                        NA none
mascu...
5 Biggs Da...
                183
                        84 black
                                        light
                                                                        24 male
                                                    brown
mascu...
```

slice_sample()

slice_sample() lets you randomly select rows which can be
useful to get a peek at portions of the entire tibble rather than
just the head

```
1 starwars \%>% slice sample (n = 5)
# A tibble: 5 \times 14
             height mass hair color skin color eye color birth year sex
  name
gender
  <chr>
             <int> <dbl> <chr>
                                       <chr>
                                                   <chr>
                                                                    <dbl> <chr>
<chr>
1 Adi Gall...
                184
                        50 none
                                       dark
                                                   blue
                                                                       NA fema...
femin...
2 BB8
                                                   black
                 NA
                        NA none
                                                                       NA none
                                       none
mascu...
3 Mas Amed...
                196
                        NA none
                                       blue
                                                   blue
                                                                       NA male
mascu...
4 Arvel Cr...
                        NA brown
                                       fair
                 NA
                                                   brown
                                                                       NA male
mascu...
5 Bib Fort...
                180
                                       pale
                                                   pink
                                                                       NA male
                        NA none
mascu...
```

slice_min() and slice_max()

slice_min() and slice_max() lets you select rows with the lowest or highest values in a variable. It is similar to using arrange() on a single variable and then head().

```
1 starwars \%>% slice max(mass, n = 3)
# A tibble: 3 \times 14
            height mass hair color skin color eye color birth year sex
  name
gender
          <int> <dbl> <chr>
  <chr>
                                    <chr>
                                                <chr>
                                                               <dbl> <chr>
<chr>
1 Jabba De... 175 1358 <NA>
                                    green-tan... orange
                                                                 600 herm...
mascu...
2 Grievous
            216 159 none
                                                                  NA male
                                    brown, wh... green, y...
mascu...
3 IG-88
               200 140 none
                                                                  15 none
                                    metal
                                                red
mascu...
# i 5 more variables: homeworld <chr>, species <chr>, films <list>,
   vehicles <list>, starships <list>
```

Create new variables with mutate()

Use mutate() to create new variables based on existing variables. The new variable will be the last column, so we frequently use it with select.

```
1 starwars %>%
              mutate(height in = height / 2.54) %>% head(1)
\# A tibble: 1 × 15
           height mass hair color skin color eye color birth year sex
 name
gender
          <int> <dbl> <chr>
 <chr>
                                  <chr>
                                              <chr>
                                                            <dbl> <chr>
<chr>
1 Luke Sky... 172 77 blond fair
                                              blue
                                                                19 male
mascu...
# i 6 more variables: homeworld <chr>, species <chr>, films <list>,
   vehicles <list>, starships <list>, height in <dbl>
         1 starwars %>%
         2 mutate(height in = height / 2.54) %>%
              select(name, height, height in) %>% head(1)
\# A tibble: 1 \times 3
                height height in
 name
```

New variables must have the same number of rows

Important: Because mutate() adds a new column to the data set, the variable you are creating must have the same number of values as rows in the data set.

```
1 starwars %>%
          2 select(name, mass) %>%
               mutate(cumulative mean = cummean(mass))
# A tibble: 87 \times 3
                        mass cumulative mean
   name
   <chr>
                       <dbl>
                                        <dbl>
 1 Luke Skywalker
                          77
                                         77
 2 C-3PO
                                         76
                          7.5
                                         61.3
 3 R2-D2
 4 Darth Vader
                         136
                                         80
 5 Leia Organa
                                        73.8
                                         81.5
 6 Owen Lars
                       120
                        75
                                         80.6
  Beru Whitesun Lars
                          32
                                         74.5
 8 R5-D4
```

9 Biggs Darklighter 84 75.6 10 Obi-Wan Kenobi 77 75.7 # 1 77 more rows

Some useful functions for mutate()

- pmin(), pmax() Element-wise min and max
- cummin(), cummax() Cumulative min and max
- cumsum(), cumprod() Cumulative sum and product
- between() Are values between a and b?
- cummean() Cumulative mean
- lead(), lag() Copy values with offset
- ntile() Bin vector into n buckets

mutate() examples

```
1 starwars %>%
             select(name, mass, birth year) %>%
             mutate(
               cummin mass = cummin (mass), # cummin gives the min value seen s
               ratio = mass / mean(mass, na.rm = TRUE), # we divide mass/by th
         6
               massyear pmin = pmin(mass, birth year), # pmin gives the element
               lag2 = lag(massyear pmin, 2)) # lag offsets the column values
# A tibble: 87 \times 7
                     mass birth year cummin mass ratio massyear pmin lag2
  name
                              <dbl>
                                          <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <
  <chr>
                    <dbl>
1 Luke Skywalker
                       77
                               19
                                             77 0.791
                                                              19
                                                                   NA
2 C-3PO
                      75
                               112
                                             75 0.771
                                                              75
                                                                   NA
3 R2-D2
                     32
                               33
                                            32 0.329
                                                              32
                                                                   19
4 Darth Vader
                      136 41.9
                                          32 1.40
                                                              41.9 75
5 Leia Organa
                                                                   32
                      49
                               19
                                            32 0.504
                                                             19
 6 Owen Lars
                     120
                           52
                                          32 1.23
                                                              52
                                                                   41.9
7 Beru Whitesun Lars
                     75
                               47
                                            32 0.771
                                                              47
                                                                   19
                       32
                                         32 0.329
8 R5-D4
                               NA
                                                              NA
                                                                   52
                                          32 0.863
 9 Biggs Darklighter
                   84 24
                                                              24
                                                                   47
10 Obi-Wan Kenobi
                       77
                                57
                                            32 0.791
                                                              57
                                                                   NA
# i 77 more rows
```