# PSTAT 100 Lab1

## Lab 1: Dataframe Overview with R

R is a programming language widely used for statistical computing and data analysis. In this tutorial, we will focus on the dplyr package for data manipulation.

## **Objectives**

This lab covers the following topics:

- Dataframe basics
  - Creating dataframes
  - Dataframe indexing and attributes
  - Adding, removing, and renaming variables
- Operations on dataframes
  - Slicing (selecting rows and columns)
  - Filtering (selecting rows that meet certain conditions)
- Grouping and aggregation
  - Summary statistics (mean, median, variance, etc.)
  - Grouped summaries
  - Chaining operations and style guidelines
  - Pivoting

```
# Load libraries
library(dplyr)
library(ggplot2)
```

## **Creating DataFrames & Basic Manipulations**

A dataframe in R is a table where each column has a specific type (numeric, character, etc.). It has two main indices:

- Column index: Labels for each column (usually strings).
- Row index: Ordinal numbers representing each row.

In this tutorial, we will cover:

- 1. Creating dataframes from scratch.
- 2. Retrieving dataframe attributes.
- 3. Indexing dataframes.
- 4. Adding, removing, and renaming columns.

We will use the example dataset: fruit\_info, which contains information about different fruits.

## Creating DataFrames from Scratch

In R, we use the data.frame() function to create a dataframe. Let's create a dataframe for the fruit\_info dataset.

## Syntax 1: Using a List

In R, we use the data.frame() function to create a dataframe. Here's an example of creating a dataframe using a list.

#### **Example: Creating a DataFrame from a Dictionary**

```
# Creating a dataframe using a list
fruit_info <- data.frame(
   Fruit = c("Apple", "Banana", "Cherry", "Date", "Elderberry"),
   Color = c("Red", "Yellow", "Red", "Brown", "Purple"),
   Weight = c(150, 120, 10, 25, 5)</pre>
```

```
)
  # Display the dataframe
  print(fruit_info)
       Fruit Color Weight
                       150
1
       Apple
                Red
2
      Banana Yellow
                       120
3
      Cherry
                Red
                        10
4
        Date Brown
                        25
5 Elderberry Purple
                         5
```

## Syntax 2: Row-wise Tuples

Another way to create a dataframe is by specifying the rows directly. We use data.frame() again but creating from Row-wise Tuples.

## **Example: Creating a DataFrame from Row-wise Tuples**

```
# Creating a dataframe using row-wise input
  fruit_info_rowwise <- rbind(</pre>
    c("Apple", "Red", 150),
    c("Banana", "Yellow", 120),
    c("Cherry", "Red", 10),
    c("Date", "Brown", 25),
    c("Elderberry", "Purple", 5)
  )
  # Converting it to a data frame and assigning column names
  fruit_info_rowwise <- as.data.frame(fruit_info_rowwise,</pre>
                                        stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
  colnames(fruit_info_rowwise) <- c("Fruit", "Color", "Weight")</pre>
  # Display the dataframe
  print(fruit_info_rowwise)
       Fruit Color Weight
                        150
1
       Apple
                Red
2
                        120
      Banana Yellow
3
      Cherry
                Red
                         10
```

```
Date Brown
                        25
5 Elderberry Purple
                        5
```

## **Retrieving Attributes**

Once the dataframe is created, you may want to check its attributes like the column names, the number of rows, and the number of columns.

```
Dataframe Attributes
  • nrow(): Number of rows.
  • ncol(): Number of columns.
  • colnames(): Names of the columns.
  • str(): Structure of the dataframe.
  # Checking the number of rows and columns
  num_rows <- nrow(fruit_info)</pre>
  num_cols <- ncol(fruit_info)</pre>
  num_rows
[1] 5
  num_cols
[1] 3
  # Displaying column names
  col_names <- colnames(fruit_info)</pre>
  col_names
[1] "Fruit" "Color" "Weight"
  # Displaying the structure of the dataframe
  str(fruit_info)
```

```
'data.frame': 5 obs. of 3 variables:
$ Fruit : chr "Apple" "Banana" "Cherry" "Date" ...
$ Color : chr "Red" "Yellow" "Red" "Brown" ...
$ Weight: num 150 120 10 25 5
```

## **Indexing DataFrames**

In R, you can access the data in a dataframe in various ways.

## **Column Indexing**

You can access columns by name or by column index.

```
# Accessing columns by name
fruit_info$Fruit

[1] "Apple" "Banana" "Cherry" "Date" "Elderberry"

# Accessing columns by index
fruit_info[[1]]

[1] "Apple" "Banana" "Cherry" "Date" "Elderberry"
```

## Row Indexing

You can access rows by number or by condition.

```
# Accessing rows by number
  fruit_info[1, ]
 Fruit Color Weight
1 Apple
          Red
                 150
  fruit_info[1:3, ]
  Fruit Color Weight
                   150
1 Apple
            Red
2 Banana Yellow
                   120
3 Cherry
            Red
                    10
```

```
fruit_info[c(2,4,6), ]
    Fruit Color Weight
2 Banana Yellow
                    120
4
     Date Brown
                     25
     <NA>
NΑ
            <NA>
                     NΑ
  # Accessing rows by condition (Weight > 100)
  fruit_info[fruit_info$Weight > 100, ]
   Fruit Color Weight
1 Apple
            Red
                   150
2 Banana Yellow
                   120
```

## Adding, Removing, and Renaming Columns

## Adding a Column

You can add a new column by assigning values to a new column name.

```
# Adding a new column for price (just an example)
fruit_info$Price <- c(1.2, 0.5, 2.0, 3.5, 4.0)

# View updated dataframe
print(fruit_info)</pre>
```

```
Fruit Color Weight Price
1
      Apple
               Red
                      150
                           1.2
                      120
2
     Banana Yellow
                           0.5
3
     Cherry
               Red
                      10
                          2.0
4
       Date Brown
                       25
                          3.5
                          4.0
5 Elderberry Purple
                      5
```

## Removing a Column

You can remove a column using select() from the dplyr package.

```
# Removing the Score column
library(dplyr)
```

```
fruit_info <- select(fruit_info, -Price)</pre>
  # View updated dataframe
  print(fruit_info)
       Fruit Color Weight
                        150
1
       Apple
                Red
2
      Banana Yellow
                        120
3
      Cherry
                Red
                         10
4
        Date Brown
                         25
5 Elderberry Purple
                          5
```

## **Renaming Columns**

Use rename() to change column names.

```
# Renaming columns
  fruit_info <- rename(fruit_info, Fruit_Name = Fruit)</pre>
  # View updated dataframe
  print(fruit_info)
 Fruit_Name Color Weight
1
       Apple
                Red
                        150
2
      Banana Yellow
                        120
3
      Cherry
                Red
                         10
        Date Brown
                         25
```

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## **Hand-on Exercise:**

5 Elderberry Purple

#### Question 1

## (1) Adding a new column:

Using direct specification, add to the fruit\_info table a new column called rank1 containing integers 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, which express your personal preference about the taste ordering for each fruit (1 is the tastiest; 5 is the least tasty). Make sure that the numbers utilized are unique - no ties are allowed.

#### YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

## (2) Creating a modified dataframe:

Now, create a new dataframe fruit\_info\_mod1 with the same information as fruit\_info, but with an additional column called rank2. We'll start by making a copy of the fruit\_info dataframe to create the new dataframe fruit\_info\_mod1.

## YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

## Question 2

## (1) Adding rank2 from rank1 using indexing:

Using indexing, add a column called rank2 to the fruit\_info\_mod1 dataframe that contains the same values in the same order as the rank1 column.

We will assign the values of rank1 directly to the new rank2 column, ensuring that the values are copied in the same order.

## YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

When using the indexing [] approach, the : specifies that values are assigned to all rows of the data frame, so the array assigned to the new variable must be the same length as the data frame. What if we only assign values to certain rows?

## (2) New column assignment with missing data:

For example, let's try adding a new column rank3 and assign values only to the first two rows. Try running the cell below.

## YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

## Hints:

- Partial Assignment: We use row-based indexing (1:2) to assign values only to the first two rows of rank3. The remaining rows in rank3 will have NA values by default because we didn't assign values to them.
- Missing Values: The unassigned rows will contain missing values (NA).

## (3) Checking missing entry:

We can detect missing values using the is.na() method in R, which will return a logical dataframe indicating whether an entry is missing.

#### YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

## Hints:

- Missing Data Check: The is.na() function checks for missing (NA) values in the dataframe. It returns a logical dataframe where TRUE indicates missing values.
- Visualization: This is helpful for identifying rows or columns with missing data.

It's often more helpful to see if any column has missing values. You can do this by appending any() to the is.na() function, which will return TRUE if there are any missing values in the column.

#### YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

## Hints:

- Missing Data Detection: We use colSums(is.na(fruit\_info\_mod1)) to check for missing data in each column. This will give us the number of missing entries per column.
- **Helpful for Clean-Up**: This helps identify which columns may need further attention or data cleaning.

## (4) Removing column(s) with missing entry:

Once we've finished with some columns, we might want to remove them. In R, we can use select() from the dplyr package or direct indexing to remove columns.

#### YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

## Hints:

- Removing Columns: We used the select() function from dplyr to remove the rank3 column from the dataframe. The negative sign (-) indicates that the column should be removed.
- Data Cleaning: This is a common operation when you no longer need certain columns in the dataset.

#### Question 3

## (1) Removing rank columns:

In this task, we will remove all rank columns you created in fruit\_info\_mod1.

In R, we can use the select() function from the dplyr package to remove columns. The select() function does not modify the original dataframe directly, but instead returns a new dataframe with the specified columns removed. We will assign the result to fruit\_info\_original.

To remove all columns that start with the word "rank", we will use the starts\_with() function in dplyr.

#### YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

## Hints:

- Removing Columns: We used the select() function from the dplyr package with the operator to exclude columns starting with the word "rank". The starts\_with() function is used to identify these columns.
- Returning a New Table: This operation does not modify the original dataframe but creates a new one (fruit\_info\_original) with the rank columns removed.

## (2) Creating a new dataframe with capitalized column names:

Now, let's create a new dataframe fruit\_info\_mod2 with the same information as fruit\_info\_original, but with all column names capitalized.

First, we'll start by creating a copy of fruit\_info\_original.

## YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

Then, we need to rename the columns of fruit\_info\_mod2 so that they begin with capital letters by using toupper() function.

## YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

## **Operations on Data Frames**

With some basics in place, here you'll see how to perform subsetting operations on data frames that are useful for tidying up datasets.

- Slicing: Selecting columns or rows in chunks or by position.
- Filtering: Selecting rows that meet certain criteria.

We will illustrate these operations using a dataset comprising counts of baby names born in California each year from 1990 to 2018.

```
# import baby names data
# Note: put the csv file of the data into the same folder as this .qmd file
baby_names = read.csv('baby_names.csv')

# preview first few rows
head(baby_names)
```

	State	Sex	Year	Name	Count
1	CA	F	1990	Jessica	6635
2	CA	F	1990	Ashley	4537
3	CA	F	1990	Stephanie	4001
4	CA	F	1990	Amanda	3856
5	CA	F	1990	Jennifer	3611
6	CA	F	1990	Elizabeth	3170

#### Question 4

## (1) Checking dimensions:

You've already seen how to examine dimensions using dataframe attributes. Check the dimensions of the baby\_names dataset and store them in dimensions\_baby\_names.

In R, we use the dim() function to get the dimensions of a dataframe.

## YOUR ANSWER:

```
# replace with your codes
```

## (2) Counting distinct years:

Count the number of occurrences of each distinct year in the baby\_names dataset. Create a object occur\_per\_year that displays the number of occurrences, ordered by year.

How many years are represented in the dataset? Store your answer as num\_years.

In R, we can use the table() function to count the occurrences of each value in a column, and then use sort() to arrange them by year.

#### YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

## Hints:

- Sorting by Year: We first count the occurrences of each year with the table() function, which gives us a named vector. The order() function is then used to sort the vector by the year, which is achieved by converting the names of the occur\_per\_year (which are stored as character strings) into numeric values with as.numeric().
- Number of Years: The unique() function is used to get the distinct years, and length() gives the number of unique years.

#### Slicing: Selecting Rows and Columns

In this section, we'll cover two primary ways to slice a dataframe:

- Using index names to specify rows and columns.
- Using integer positions to specify rows and columns.

These methods are very useful for subsetting data and inspecting different portions of a dataframe.

## 1. Slicing with Index Names

To slice a dataframe by index names (column and row names), you can use the [] operator in R.

## **Example: Single Index**

You can select a specific entry by specifying both the row and column names.

```
# Selecting a single row and column by index name baby_names[2, 'Name']
```

## [1] "Ashley"

• Single Index: In this example, we select the second row and the Name column from the baby\_names dataframe using row index 2 and column name 'Name'.

## 2. Slicing with a List of Indices

You can also select multiple rows and specific columns by passing a **list** of indices or names.

## **Example: List of Indices**

```
# Selecting multiple rows and specific columns by index names
baby_names[c(2, 3), c('Name', 'Count')]

    Name Count
2    Ashley 4537
3    Stephanie 4001
```

• List of Indices: We use c(2, 3) to select rows 2 and 3, and c('Name', 'Count') to select the columns 'Name' and 'Count'.

## 3. Slicing with Consecutive Indices

You can select a range of rows or columns using the colon (:) operator.

## **Example: Consecutive Indices**

```
# Selecting rows 2 to 10 and columns from 'Year' to 'Count'
baby_names[2:10,] %>% select(Year:Count)
```

```
Name Count
  Year
  1990
2
          Ashley
                  4537
3
  1990 Stephanie
                  4001
  1990
          Amanda
                  3856
        Jennifer 3611
  1990
  1990 Elizabeth 3170
  1990
           Sarah 2843
  1990 Brittany 2737
  1990 Samantha 2720
10 1990 Michelle
                  2453
```

- Consecutive Indices: The 2:10 syntax selects rows 2 through 10, and 'Year': 'Count' selects all columns from Year to Count.
- select(Year:Count): This approach uses dplyr's select() function to select columns starting from 'Year' and ending at 'Count'. It properly handles the selection of consecutive columns by name, ensuring that no errors occur.

## 4. Slicing with Integer Positions

In R, you can also slice data by integer positions using the [,] operator. This is similar to using .iloc[] in Python.

## **Example: Single Position**

To select a specific entry by position, you can specify row and column indices.

```
# Selecting a specific entry by position (row 2, column 3)
baby_names[2, 3]
```

#### [1] 1990

• Single Position: The baby\_names[2, 3] selects the entry in the second row and third column by position.

## 5. Slicing with a List of Positions

You can select multiple rows and columns by specifying their integer positions.

## **Example: List of Positions**

```
# Selecting multiple rows and columns by position
baby_names[c(2, 3), c(3, 4)]

Year Name
2 1990 Ashley
3 1990 Stephanie
```

• List of Positions: The c(2, 3) selects the second and third rows, and c(3, 4) selects the third and fourth columns by position.

## 6. Slicing with Consecutive Positions

You can also slice consecutive rows or columns by specifying a range of positions.

## **Example: Consecutive Positions**

```
# Selecting rows 2 through 11 and columns 2 through 5
  baby_names[2:11, 2:5]
   Sex Year
                 Name Count
2
     F 1990
               Ashley 4537
3
    F 1990 Stephanie
                       4001
    F 1990
4
               Amanda
                       3856
5
    F 1990
             Jennifer
                       3611
    F 1990 Elizabeth 3170
7
    F 1990
                Sarah 2843
8
    F 1990 Brittany 2737
9
    F 1990
             Samantha 2720
    F 1990
10
           Michelle
                       2453
11
    F 1990
              Melissa
                       2442
```

• Consecutive Positions: The 2:11 selects rows 2 through 11, and 2:5 selects columns 2 through 5 based on their integer positions.

## 7. Slicing Rows Based on Conditions

In R, you can also slice rows based on specific conditions by using logical indexing. For example, you can select rows where a certain column satisfies a condition.

## Example: Selecting Rows with Count Greater than 100

```
# Slice rows where 'Count' is greater than 100
head(baby_names[baby_names$Count > 100, ])
```

```
State Sex Year
                       Name Count
          F 1990
1
     CA
                    Jessica
                             6635
2
     CA
          F 1990
                     Ashley
                             4537
3
     CA
          F 1990 Stephanie
                             4001
4
     CA
          F 1990
                     Amanda
                             3856
5
     CA
          F 1990
                   Jennifer
                             3611
6
     CA
          F 1990 Elizabeth 3170
```

• Slicing with Condition: We use logical indexing (baby\_names\$Count > 100) to select rows where the Count column is greater than 100. This condition returns a logical vector that is used to subset the rows.

## 8. Slicing Rows Based on Column Value Range

You can slice rows based on a range of values in a column, for example, selecting rows where the Year column is between two values.

## Example: Selecting Rows for Years 2000 to 2005

```
# Slice rows where the 'Year' is between 2000 and 2005
head(baby_names[baby_names$Year >= 2000 & baby_names$Year <= 2005, ])</pre>
```

	${\tt State}$	Sex	Year	Name	${\tt Count}$
36417	CA	F	2000	Emily	2958
36418	CA	F	2000	Ashley	2831
36419	CA	F	2000	${\tt Samantha}$	2579
36420	CA	F	2000	Jessica	2484
36421	CA	F	2000	Jennifer	2263
36422	CA	F	2000	Alyssa	2005

• Range Condition: Here, we use a logical condition to select rows where the Year is between 2000 and 2005 (inclusive). The logical condition is used within the indexing brackets to filter rows.

#### Question 5:

Look up the name of a friend! Store the name as friend\_name. Based on the name column, set specific conditions by using logical indexing to slice rows for the name of your friends, i.e., Amanda, and the Name, Count, Sex, and Yearcolumns \*\*in that order\*\*, and store the data frame asfriend slice'.

## Step 1: Define the Friend's Name(s)

We'll store the names of your friends as friend\_name.

## Step 2: Slice the Data Based on the Name

We'll use the %in% operator to match multiple names and filter rows based on the Name column. Then, we'll select the desired columns (Count, Sex, Year).

## YOUR ANSWER:

```
# replace with your codes
```

## **Filtering**

Filtering is the process of sifting out rows according to a criterion. In R, this can be accomplished using logical indexing, which creates a vector of TRUEs and FALSEs based on a comparison. Let's walk through a simple example:

## **Example: Filter Names Based on Occurrence Count**

Let's say we want to filter out all names with fewer than 1000 occurrences. First, we can define a logical vector that checks the Count column.

```
# Create a logical vector where TRUE means Count is greater than 1000
arr <- baby_names$Count > 1000

# View the logical array
head(arr, sum(arr)*0.05)
```

```
[1]
      TRUE
           TRUE
                 TRUE
                       TRUE
                             TRUE
                                   TRUE
                                        TRUE
                                              TRUE
                                                    TRUE
                                                          TRUE
                                                               TRUE
                                                                     TRUE
 [13]
      TRUE
            TRUE
                 TRUE
                       TRUE
                             TRUE
                                   TRUE
                                        TRUE
                                              TRUE
                                                    TRUE
                                                          TRUE
                                                               TRUE
                                                                     TRUE
 [25]
      TRUE
           TRUE
                 TRUE
                       TRUE
                             TRUE
                                   TRUE
                                        TRUE
                                              TRUE
                                                    TRUE
                                                          TRUE
                                                               TRUE
                                                                     TRUE
 [37]
      TRUE
           TRUE TRUE
                       TRUE
                             TRUE
                                   TRUE
                                        TRUE
                                              TRUE
                                                   TRUE
                                                         TRUE
                                                               TRUE
                                                                     TRUE
 [49] FALSE FALSE
 [61] FALSE FALSE
 [73] FALSE FALSE
 [85] FALSE FALSE
 [97] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[109] FALSE FALSE
[121] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
```

Once we have the logical array, we can apply it to filter the dataframe and select only the rows where Count is greater than 1000.

```
# Filter the dataframe using the logical array
  baby_names_filtered <- baby_names[arr, ]</pre>
  # View the filtered dataframe
  head(baby_names_filtered)
  State Sex Year
                       Name Count
     CA
          F 1990
                              6635
1
                    Jessica
2
     CA
          F 1990
                     Ashlev
                              4537
3
     CA
          F 1990 Stephanie
                              4001
4
     CA
          F 1990
                     Amanda
                              3856
5
     CA
          F 1990
                   Jennifer
                              3611
6
     CA
          F 1990 Elizabeth
                             3170
```

## **Checking Dimensions Before and After Filtering**

To get a sense of how many rows were filtered, we can compare the dimensions of the original and filtered dataframes.

```
[1] 2517 5
```

Notice that the filtered dataframe is much smaller than the overall dateframe – only about **2000** rows correspond to a name occurring more than 1000 times in a year for a gender.

## **Common Comparison Operators**

Here are some commonly used comparison operators in R for filtering data:

Symbol	Usage	Meaning
==	a == b	Does a equal b?
<=	a <= b	Is a less than or equal to b?
>=	a >= b	Is a greater than or equal to b?
<	a < b	Is a less than b?
>	a > b	Is a greater than b?
!	!p	Negates p (logical NOT)
&	р & q	p AND q
1	рlq	p OR q

What if instead you wanted to filter using multiple conditions? Here's an example of retrieving rows with counts exceeding 1000 for only the year 2001:

## **Example: Filtering with Multiple Conditions**

You can combine multiple conditions to filter the dataframe in more complex ways. For example, let's retrieve all names where Count exceeds 1000 and the Year is 2001:

```
# Filter using two conditions
filtered_data <- baby_names[(baby_names$Year == 2001) & (baby_names$Count > 1000), ]

# View the filtered data
head(filtered_data, dim(filtered_data)[1]*0.1)
```

Count	Name	Year	Sex	State	
2928	Emily	2001	F	CA	40184
2715	Ashley	2001	F	CA	40185
2535	Samantha	2001	F	CA	40186
2244	Jessica	2001	F	CA	40187
2059	Alyssa	2001	F	CA	40188

```
40189
         CA
              F 2001
                      Jennifer
                                2026
40190
              F 2001
                       Natalie 1724
         CA
40191
         CA
              F 2001 Elizabeth 1704
40192
         CA
              F 2001
                        Alexis 1700
```

• Combining Conditions: In this example, we combine two conditions using the & operator. We filter for rows where Year equals 2001 and Count is greater than 1000.

#### Question 6:

Select the **girl** names in **2010** that were given more than **3000 times**, and store them as common\_girl\_names\_2010.

#### YOUR ANSWER:

```
# replace with your codes
```

#### Hints:

• Multiple Conditions: The logical expression (baby\_names\$Year == 2010) & (baby\_names\$Sex == "F") & (baby\_names\$Count > 3000) filters rows where the year is 2010, the sex is female ("F"), and the count is greater than 3000.

## **Grouping and Aggregation**

Grouping and aggregation are useful in generating data summaries, which are often important starting points in exploring a dataset.

## Aggregation

**Aggregation** literally means 'putting together' (etymologically the word means 'joining the herd'). In statistics and data science, this refers to data summaries like an average, a minimum, or a measure of spread such as the sample variance or mean absolute deviation. From a technical point of view, operations that take multiple values as inputs and return a single output are considered summaries — in other words, statistics.

Some of the most common aggregations are:

- sum
- product
- count
- number of distinct values
- mean
- median
- variance
- standard deviation
- minimum/maximum
- quantiles

R provides built-in functions that compute most of these summaries, such as:

- .sum()
- .prod()
- .mean()
- .median()
- .var()
- .sd() (standard deviation)
- .unique() (number of distinct values)
- .min() and .max()
- .quantile()

To illustrate these operations, let's filter out all names in 1995.

```
# Filter for names in 1995
names_95 <- baby_names[baby_names$Year == 1995, ]
# View the filtered dataset
head(names_95, dim(names_95)[1]*0.001)</pre>
```

	State	Sex	Year	Name	Count
18605	CA	F	1995	Jessica	4620
18606	CA	F	1995	Ashley	2903
18607	CA	F	1995	${\tt Stephanie}$	2858
18608	CA	F	1995	Jennifer	2697
18609	CA	F	1995	Samantha	2425
18610	CA	F	1995	Emily	2341

## **Example: Summing the Total Count of Names in 1995**

We can compute the total number of occurrences of names in 1995 by summing the Count column.

```
# Total count for 1995
total_count_1995 <- sum(names_95$Count)
# Print the result
total_count_1995</pre>
```

[1] 494580

## **Example: Calculating the Average Frequency of Names in 1995**

Next, let's calculate the average frequency of names in 1995.

```
# Average count for a name in 1995
average_count_1995 <- mean(names_95$Count)

# Print the result
average_count_1995</pre>
```

[1] 81.18516

#### Question 7

Find how often the most common name in 1995 was given and store this as names\_95\_max\_count. Use this value to filter names\_95 and find which name was most common that year. Store the filtered dataframe as names\_95\_most\_common\_name.

## YOUR ANSWER:

```
# replace with your codes
```

## Hints:

- Finding the Maximum Count: We use max() to find the maximum value in the Count column of the names\_95 dataframe, which represents the most common name's count.
- Filtering for the Most Common Name: We then filter the dataframe for rows where Count is equal to names\_95\_max\_count, retrieving the most common name(s) from 1995.

## Grouping

What if you want to know the most frequent male and female names in 1995? If so, you'll need to repeat the above operations **group-wise** by Sex.

In general, any variable in a dataframe can be used to define a grouping structure on the rows (or, less commonly, columns). After grouping, any dataframe operations will be executed within each group, but not across groups. This can be used to generate grouped summaries, such as the maximum count for boys and girls.

The group\_by() function in R (part of the dplyr package) defines such a structure. Below is how we can group the names 95 dataframe by sex.

```
# Group by sex
library(dplyr)
names_95_bysex <- names_95 %>% group_by(Sex)

# Preview the grouped dataframe
head(names_95_bysex,)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 5
# Groups:
            Sex [1]
  State Sex
              Year Name
                              Count
  <chr> <chr> <int> <chr>
                              <int>
            1995 Jessica
1 CA
        F
                               4620
2 CA
        F
               1995 Ashley
                               2903
              1995 Stephanie 2858
3 CA
        F
4 CA
        F
               1995 Jennifer
                               2697
5 CA
       F
               1995 Samantha
                               2425
6 CA
        F
               1995 Emily
                               2341
```

## **Example: Number of Individuals by Sex**

To count the total number of individuals in the data for 1995, grouped by sex, we can use the sum() function.

• Summing by Group: The summarise() function computes the total number of individuals (by summing the Count column) for each group (male and female).

## **Example: Most Common Name by Sex**

To find the most common boy and girl names in 1995, we can group the data by Sex and then use the which.max() function to get the row with the highest Count for each sex.

## print(most\_common\_names\_bysex)

## Notes:

- **Grouping by Sex:** We use group\_by(Sex) to group the data by sex (male or female).
- Finding Most Common Name: which.max(Count) finds the index of the row with the maximum Count in each group. We then use this index to retrieve the name (Name) and its count (Count).
- Summarising: The summarise() function creates a summary dataframe that shows the most common name and its count for each sex.

#### Question 8:

Are there more girl names or boy names in 1995? Use the grouped dataframe names\_95\_bysex with the count() aggregation to find the total number of names for each sex. Store the female and male counts as girl\_name\_count and boy\_name\_count, respectively.

#### YOUR ANSWER:

```
# replace with your codes
```

## Hint:

• Counting Names: We use filter() to separate girl names (Sex == "F") and boy names (Sex == "M"), and then summarise(... = sum(Count)) to count the number of names in each group. We then print the counts for both boys and girls.

## **Chaining Operations**

You have already seen examples of this, but R operations can be chained together in sequence. For example, names\_95\$Count %>% max() is a chain with two steps: first select the Count column (\$Count); then compute the maximum (max()).

Grouped summaries are often convenient to compute in a chained fashion, rather than by assigning the grouped dataframe a new name and performing operations on the resulting object. For example, finding the total number of boys and girls recorded in the 1995 data can be done with the following chain:

## Notes:

- Chaining: We first group the data by Sex with group\_by(Sex), then use summarise() to compute the sum of the Count column for each group.
- Efficiency: This is a more concise and readable way to perform operations compared to creating intermediate variables.

## **Example: Filtering and Grouping in One Chain**

We can take this even one step further and also perform the filtering in sequence as part of the chain:

```
# Filter by year and then group by sex
baby_names %>%
    filter(Year == 1995) %>%
    group_by(Sex) %>%
    summarise(total_count = sum(Count))
# A tibble: 2 x 2
Sex total_count
```

## **Example: Average Counts by Sex and Year**

Let's compute the average counts of boy and girl names for each year from 1990 to 1995. This can be accomplished by grouping by both Year and Sex:

```
# Average counts by sex and year
  baby_names %>%
    filter(Year <= 1995) %>%
    group_by(Year, Sex) %>%
    summarise(average_count = mean(Count))
# A tibble: 12 x 3
# Groups: Year [6]
   Year Sex
               average_count
   <int> <chr>
                       <dbl>
   1990 F
                        70.1
1
2
   1990 M
                       115.
3
   1991 F
                        70.4
   1991 M
4
                       115.
5
   1992 F
                        68.7
6
   1992 M
                       111.
7
   1993 F
                        66.3
8
   1993 M
                       108.
9
                        66.4
   1994 F
10
   1994 M
                       103.
   1995 F
                        64.9
11
                       105.
   1995 M
```

## **Example: Pivoting the Data**

We can further pivot the table into a **wide** format by adding a few extra steps in the chain: changing the indices to columns, and specifying which column should be the new row index, which should be the new column index, and which values should populate the table.

```
# Pivot the data
library(tidyr)
```

```
baby_names %>%
    filter(Year <= 1995) %>%
    group_by(Year, Sex) %>%
    summarise(average_count = mean(Count)) %>%
    pivot_wider(names_from = Year, values_from = average_count)
# A tibble: 2 x 7
 Sex
        `1990` `1991` `1992` `1993` `1994` `1995`
  <chr>
         <dbl> <dbl>
                       <dbl> <dbl>
                                     <dbl>
                                            <dbl>
1 F
         70.1
                 70.4
                        68.7
                               66.3
                                      66.4
                                              64.9
2 M
         115.
                115.
                       111.
                              108.
                                     103.
                                             105.
```

#### Notes:

• Pivoting: The pivot\_wider() function in tidyr packaeg reshapes the data, making Year the column names and the values of average\_count the cell values, effectively converting the data into a wider format.

## Style Comment: break long chains over multiple lines with indentation

The above chain is too long to be readable in one line. To balance the readability of codes with the efficiency of chaining, it is good practice to break long chains over several lines, with appropriate indentations.

- Separate comparisons by spaces (a < b as a < b).
- Split chains longer than 30-40 characters over multiple lines.
- Split lines between delimiters (, ).
- Increase indentation for lines between delimiters.]
- For chained operations, try to get each step in the chain shown on a separate line.
- For functions with multiple arguments, split lines so that each argument is on its own line.

#### Question 9:

Write a chain with appropriate style to display the (first) most common boy and girl names in each of the years 2005-2015. Do this in two steps:

- 1. First, filter baby\_names by Year, then group by Year and Sex, and find the indices of the first occurrence of the largest counts. Store these indices as ind.
- 2. Then, use the stored indices to slice baby\_names so as to retrieve the rows corresponding to each most frequent name each year and for each sex; then pivot this table so that the columns are years, the rows are sexes, and the entries are names. Store this as pivot\_names.

## YOUR ANSWER:

# replace with your codes

## Hints:

#### Step 1:

- Filtering: We filter the data to include only the years 2005-2015.
- Grouping: We group by Year and Sex, then use mutate() to create a new column most\_common\_index which stores the index of the row with the highest Count for each Year and Sex combination.
- Ungrouping: After using mutate(), we call ungroup() to remove the grouping structure since it's no longer needed for further operations.

#### Step 2:

- Filtering for Most Frequent Names: We filter the baby\_names dataframe to keep only the rows where the Year and Sex combinations are present in the ind dataframe (where we calculated the most common name's index).
- Pivoting: We use pivot\_wider() to transform the data such that the columns represent Year, the rows represent Sex, and the values are the most common Name.

## **Submission**

- 1. Save the notebook.
- 2. Restart the kernel and run all cells. (CAUTION: if your notebook is not saved, you will lose your work.)

- 3. Carefully look through your notebook and verify that all computations execute correctly. You should see **no errors**; if there are any errors, make sure to correct them before you submit the notebook.
- 4. Download the notebook as an .qmd file. This is your backup copy.
- 5. Export the notebook as PDF and upload to Canvas.