

Data Transformation with dplyr : : CHEAT SHEET



dplyr functions work with pipes and expect **tidy data**. In tidy data:



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pipes

Each **variable** is in its own **column**

Each **observation**, or **case**, is in its own **row**

$x \%>\% f(y)$ becomes $f(x, y)$

Summarise Cases

These apply **summary functions** to columns to create a new table of summary statistics. Summary functions take vectors as input and return one value (see back).

summary function



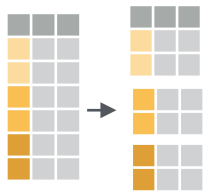
summarise(.data, ...)
Compute table of summaries.
`summarise(mtcars, avg = mean(mpg))`



count(x, ..., wt = NULL, sort = FALSE)
Count number of rows in each group defined by the variables in ... Also **tally()**.
`count(mtcars, cyl)`

Group Cases

Use **group_by(.data, ..., .add = FALSE)** to create a "grouped" copy of a table grouped by columns in ... dplyr functions will manipulate each "group" separately and combine the results.



`mtcars %>%
group_by(cyl) %>%
summarise(avg = mean(mpg))`

Use **rowwise(.data, ...)** to group data into individual rows. dplyr functions will compute results for each row. Also used to apply functions to list-columns without purrr functions.



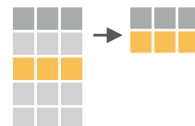
`starwars %>%
rowwise() %>%
mutate(film_count = length(films))`

ungroup(x, ...) Returns ungrouped copy of table.
`ungroup(g_mtcars)`

Manipulate Cases

EXTRACT CASES

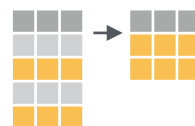
Row functions return a subset of rows as a new table.



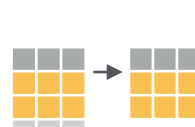
filter(.data, ...) Extract rows that meet logical criteria.
`filter(mtcars, mpg > 20)`



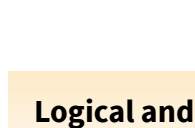
distinct(.data, ..., .keep_all = FALSE) Remove rows with duplicate values.
`distinct(mtcars, gear)`



slice(.data, ...) Select rows by position.
`slice(mtcars, 10:15)`



slice_sample(.data, ..., n, prop, weight_by = NULL, replace = FALSE) Randomly select rows. Use *n* to select a number of rows and *prop* to select a fraction of rows.
`slice_sample(mtcars, n = 5, replace = TRUE)`



slice_min(.data, order_by, ..., n, prop, with_ties = TRUE) and **slice_max()** Select rows with the lowest and highest values.
`slice_min(mtcars, mpg, prop = 0.25)`

slice_head(.data, ..., n, prop) and **slice_tail()** Select the first or last rows.
`slice_head(mtcars, n = 5)`

Logical and boolean operators to use with filter()

<	<=	is.na()	%in%		xor()
>	>=	!is.na()	!	&	

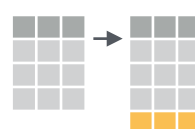
See **?base::Logic** and **?Comparison** for help.

ARRANGE CASES



arrange(.data, ...) Order rows by values of a column or columns (low to high), use with **desc()** to order from high to low.
`arrange(mtcars, mpg)`
`arrange(mtcars, desc(mpg))`

ADD CASES



add_row(.data, ..., .before = NULL, .after = NULL) Add one or more rows to a table.
`add_row(cars, speed = 1, dist = 1)`

Manipulate Variables

EXTRACT VARIABLES

Column functions return a set of columns as a new vector or table.



pull(.data, var = -1) Extract column values as a vector. Choose by name or index.
`pull(mtcars, wt)`



select(.data, ...) Extract columns as a table. Also **select_if()**.
`select(mtcars, mpg, wt)`



relocate(.data, ..., .before = NULL, .after = NULL) Move columns to new position.
`relocate(mtcars, mpg, cyl, .after = last_col())`

Use these helpers with select() and across()

e.g. `select(mtcars, mpg:cyl)`

contains(match)

num_range(prefix, range)

: e.g. `mpg:cyl`

ends_with(match)

one_of(...)

-, e.g. `-gear`

matches(match)

starts_with(match)

everything()

MANIPULATE MULTIPLE VARIABLES AT ONCE



across(.cols, .funs) Summarise or mutate multiple columns in the same way.
`summarise(mtcars, across(everything(), mean))`



c_across(.cols) Compute across columns in row-wise data.
`transmute(rowwise(UKgas), n = sum(c_across(1:2)))`

MAKE NEW VARIABLES

These apply **vectorized functions** to columns. Vectorized funs take vectors as input and return vectors of the same length as output (see back).

vectorized function



mutate(.data, ..., .before = NULL, .after = NULL) Compute new column(s). Also **add_column()**, **add_count()**, and **add_tally()**.
`mutate(mtcars, gpm = 1/mpg)`



transmute(.data, ...) Compute new column(s), drop others.
`transmute(mtcars, gpm = 1/mpg)`



rename(.data, ...) Rename columns.
`rename(cars, distance = dist)`



Vectorized Functions

TO USE WITH MUTATE ()

mutate() and **transmute()** apply vectorized functions to columns to create new columns. Vectorized functions take vectors as input and return vectors of the same length as output.

vectorized function

OFFSETS

dplyr::lag() - Offset elements by 1
dplyr::lead() - Offset elements by -1

CUMULATIVE AGGREGATES

dplyr::cumall() - Cumulative all()
dplyr::cumany() - Cumulative any()
cummax() - Cumulative max()
dplyr::cummean() - Cumulative mean()
cummin() - Cumulative min()
cumprod() - Cumulative prod()
cumsum() - Cumulative sum()

RANKINGS

dplyr::cume_dist() - Proportion of all values <=
dplyr::dense_rank() - rank w ties = min, no gaps
dplyr::min_rank() - rank with ties = min
dplyr::ntile() - bins into n bins
dplyr::percent_rank() - min_rank scaled to [0,1]
dplyr::row_number() - rank with ties = "first"

MATH

+, **-**, *****, **/**, **^**, **%/%**, **%%** - arithmetic ops
log(), **log2()**, **log10()** - logs
<, **<=**, **>**, **>=**, **!=**, **==** - logical comparisons
dplyr::between() - x >= left & x <= right
dplyr::near() - safe == for floating point numbers

MISC

dplyr::case_when() - multi-case if_else()
*starwars %>% mutate(type = case_when(
height > 200 | mass > 200 ~ "large",
species == "Droid" ~ "robot",
TRUE ~ "other"))*
dplyr::coalesce() - first non-NA values by element
across a set of vectors
dplyr::if_else() - element-wise if() + else()
dplyr::na_if() - replace specific values with NA
pmax() - element-wise max()
pmin() - element-wise min()
dplyr::recode() - Vectorized switch()
dplyr::recode_factor() - Vectorized switch()
for factors

Summary Functions

TO USE WITH SUMMARISE ()

summarise() applies summary functions to columns to create a new table. Summary functions take vectors as input and return single values as output.

summary function

COUNTS

dplyr::n() - number of values/rows
dplyr::n_distinct() - # of uniques
sum(!is.na()) - # of non-NA's

LOCATION

mean() - mean, also **mean(!is.na())**
median() - median

LOGICALS

mean() - Proportion of TRUE's
sum() - # of TRUE's

POSITION/ORDER

dplyr::first() - first value
dplyr::last() - last value
dplyr::nth() - value in nth location of vector

RANK

quantile() - nth quantile
min() - minimum value
max() - maximum value

SPREAD

IQR() - Inter-Quartile Range
mad() - median absolute deviation
sd() - standard deviation
var() - variance

Row Names

Tidy data does not use rownames, which store a variable outside of the columns. To work with the rownames, first move them into a column.

rownames_to_column()
Move row names into col.
*a <- rownames_to_column(mtcars,
var = "C")*

column_to_rownames()
Move col into row names.
column_to_rownames(a, var = "C")

Also **has_rownames()**, **remove_rownames()**

Combine Tables

COMBINE VARIABLES

x + **y** =

A	B	C	A	B	D
a	t	1	a	t	3
b	u	2	b	u	2
c	v	3	c	v	3

Use **bind_cols()** to paste tables beside each other as they are.

bind_cols(...) Returns tables placed side by side as a single table.
BE SURE THAT ROWS ALIGN.

Use a **"Mutating Join"** to join one table to columns from another, matching values with the rows that they correspond to. Each join retains a different combination of values from the tables.

left_join(x, y, by = NULL, copy=FALSE, suffix=c(".x",".y"),...)
Join matching values from y to x.

right_join(x, y, by = NULL, copy = FALSE, suffix=c(".x",".y"),...)
Join matching values from x to y.

inner_join(x, y, by = NULL, copy = FALSE, suffix=c(".x",".y"),...)
Join data. Retain only rows with matches.

full_join(x, y, by = NULL, copy=FALSE, suffix=c(".x",".y"),...)
Join data. Retain all values, all rows.

Use **by = c("col1", "col2", ...)** to specify one or more common columns to match on.
left_join(x, y, by = "A")

Use a named vector, **by = c("col1" = "col2")**, to match on columns that have different names in each table.
left_join(x, y, by = c("C" = "D"))

Use **suffix** to specify the suffix to give to unmatched columns that have the same name in both tables.
left_join(x, y, by = c("C" = "D"), suffix = c("1", "2"))

COMBINE CASES

x + **y** =

A	B	C
a	t	1
b	u	2
c	v	3

Use **bind_rows()** to paste tables below each other as they are.

bind_rows(..., .id = NULL)
Returns tables one on top of the other as a single table. Set .id to a column name to add a column of the original table names (as pictured)

intersect(x, y, ...)
Rows that appear in both x and y.

setdiff(x, y, ...)
Rows that appear in x but not y.

union(x, y, ...)
Rows that appear in x or y.
(Duplicates removed). **union_all()** retains duplicates.

Use **setequal()** to test whether two data sets contain the exact same rows (in any order).

EXTRACT ROWS

x + **y** =

A	B	C	A	B	D
a	t	1	a	t	3
b	u	2	b	u	2
c	v	3	d	w	1

Use a **"Filtering Join"** to filter one table against the rows of another.

semi_join(x, y, by = NULL, ...)
Return rows of x that have a match in y.
USEFUL TO SEE WHAT WILL BE JOINED.

anti_join(x, y, by = NULL, ...)
Return rows of x that do not have a match in y. USEFUL TO SEE WHAT WILL NOT BE JOINED.