



Data Munging with R

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Topics

- ▶ Single dataset
 - ▶ subsetting data
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- ▶ Multiple datasets
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Data Management with a single dataset

dplyr functions

- ▶ **filter** – select rows
- ▶ **select** – select columns
- ▶ **arrange** – reorder rows
- ▶ **mutate** – create new columns
- ▶ **rename** – rename columns
- ▶ **group_by** and **summarize** - aggregate

be sure to issue **library(dplyr)** to make these available

filter

subset data by selecting rows

```
df1 <- filter(mtcars, cyl==4, mpg > 20)
```

```
df2 <- filter(mtcars, cyl==4 & mpg > 20) # same
```

```
df3 <- filter(mtcars, cyl %in% c(4, 6) | am ==1)
```

Logical Operators

Operator	Description
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal to
>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal to
==	Exactly equal to
!=	Not equal to
!x	Not x
x y	x or y
x & y	x and y
isTRUE(x)	Test if x is TRUE

select

subset data by selecting columns (variables)

```
df1 <- select(mtcars, mpg, cyl, wt)  
df2 <- select(mtcars, mpg:qsec, carb)  
df3 <- select(mtcars, -am, -carb)
```

arrange

reorder rows

```
df1 <- arrange(mtcars, cyl)
```

```
df2 <- arrange(mtcars, cyl, mpg)
```

```
df3 <- arrange(mtcars, cyl, desc(mpg))
```

mutate

create new variables (add new columns)

```
df1 <- mutate(mtcars,  
              power = disp * hp,  
              am = factor(am,  
                           levels=c(0, 1),  
                           labels =  
                           c("automatic", "manual")))  
)
```

Arithmetic Operators

Operator	Description
+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
/	Division
^	Exponentiation

rename

rename variables (columns)

```
df <- rename(mtcars,  
                 displacement = disp,  
                 transmission = am)
```

group_by and summarize

aggregate data by groups

```
df  <- group_by(mtcars, cyl, gear)  
df2 <- summarise(df,  
                      disp_n = n(),  
                      disp_mean = mean(disp),  
                      disp_sd = sd(disp))
```

group_by and summarize (2)

aggregate data by groups

```
df <- group_by(mtcars, cyl, gear)  
df2 <- summarise_each(df, funs(mean))  
df3 <- summarise_each(df, funs(min, max))
```

Putting it all together

```
df <- select(mtcars, cyl, disp, mpg)  
df <- filter(df, mpg > 20)  
df <- arrange(df, cyl, desc(mpg))
```

```
df <- select(mtcars, cyl, disp, mpg) %>%  
      filter(mpg > 20) %>%  
      arrange(cyl, desc(mpg))
```

Calculating percentages

```
mtcars %>% group_by(cyl) %>%  
  summarise(n = n()) %>%  
  mutate(pct = n/sum(n))
```

cyl	n	pct
<dbl>	<int>	<dbl>
1	4	0.34375
2	6	0.21875
3	8	0.43750

```
as.data.frame(mtcars %>% group_by(cyl) %>%  
  summarise(n = n()) %>%  
  mutate(pct = paste0(round(100 * n/sum(n), 0), "%")))
```

cyl	n	pct
1	4	11 34%
2	6	7 22%
3	8	14 44%

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```

cyl	gear	n	pct
1	4	3	9%
2	4	8	73%
3	4	5	18%
4	6	3	29%
5	6	4	57%
6	6	5	14%
7	8	3	86%
8	8	5	14%

Windows functions (min_rank)

```
# what are the 2 automatic transmission cars and  
# 2 manual transmission cars that have the lowest gas mileage?
```

```
mtcars$name <- row.name(mtcars)  
mtcars %>% group_by(am) %>%  
  filter(min_rank(mpg) <= 2) %>%  
  select(name, am, mpg)
```

```
# have the highest gas mileage?
```

```
mtcars %>% group_by(am) %>%  
  filter(min_rank(desc(mpg)) <= 2) %>%  
  select(name, am, mpg)
```





Merging Datasets

Start with some data

```
monitors <- read.table(header=TRUE, text='
monitorid      lat      long
  1 42.467573 -87.810047
  2 42.049148 -88.273029
  3 39.110539 -90.324080
    ')
```

```
pollutants <- read.table(header=TRUE, text='
pollutant duration monitorid
ozone        1h         1
so2          1h         1
ozone        8h         2
no2          1h         4
    ')
```

example from <https://rpubs.com/NateByers/Merging>

Inner join

```
library(dplyr)  
inner_join(pollutants, monitors, by = "monitorid")
```

	pollutant	duration	monitorid	lat	long
1	ozone	1h	1	42.46757	-87.81005
2	so2	1h	1	42.46757	-87.81005
3	ozone	8h	2	42.04915	-88.27303

pollutants

	pollutant	duration	monitorid
1	ozone	1h	1
2	so2	1h	1
3	ozone	8h	2
4	no2	1h	4

monitors

	monitorid	lat	long
1	1	42.46757	-87.81005
2	2	42.04915	-88.27303
3	3	39.11054	-90.32408

Left join

```
library(dplyr)  
left_join(pollutants, monitors, by = "monitorid")
```

	pollutant	duration	monitorid	lat	long
1	ozone	1h	1	42.46757	-87.81005
2	so2	1h	1	42.46757	-87.81005
3	ozone	8h	2	42.04915	-88.27303
4	no2	1h	4	NA	NA

pollutants

	pollutant	duration	monitorid
1	ozone	1h	1
2	so2	1h	1
3	ozone	8h	2
4	no2	1h	4

monitors

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1	1	42.46757	-87.81005
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Full join

```
library(dplyr)  
full_join(pollutants, monitors, by = "monitorid")
```

	pollutant	duration	monitorid	lat	long
1	ozone	1h	1	42.46757	-87.81005
2	so2	1h	1	42.46757	-87.81005
3	ozone	8h	2	42.04915	-88.27303
4	no2	1h	4	NA	NA
5	<NA>	<NA>	3	39.11054	-90.32408

pollutants

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Filtering with semi_join

```
library(dplyr)  
semi_join(pollutants, monitors, by = "monitorid")
```

	pollutant	duration	monitorid
1	ozone	1h	1
2	so2	1h	1
3	ozone	8h	2

keep pollutants rows
that have a match in
monitors

pollutants

	pollutant	duration	monitorid
1	ozone	1h	1
2	so2	1h	1
3	ozone	8h	2
4	no2	1h	4

monitors

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1	1	42.46757	-87.81005
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Filtering with anti_join

```
library(dplyr)  
anti_join(pollutants, monitors, by = "monitorid")
```

	pollutant	duration	monitorid
1	no2	1h	4

keep pollutants rows
that don't have a match in
monitors

pollutants

	pollutant	duration	monitorid
1	ozone	1h	1
2	so2	1h	1
3	ozone	8h	2
4	no2	1h	4

monitors

	monitorid	lat	long
1	1	42.46757	-87.81005
2	2	42.04915	-88.27303
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Working with dates

Reading dates

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example:

say date variable is stored as a **character variable** in the form "mm-dd-yyyy"

convert it to a **date variable** using function **mdy()**

```
mdy("12-01-2010")
```

Reading dates

example:

```
data <- read.table(header=TRUE, text='
First    Last        birthday
John     Smith      12-01-2010
Bill     Doe        1/9/1963
Jane     Williams   05/19/08
')
library(lubridate)
data$DOB <- mdy(dates$birthday)
```

	First	Last	birthday	DOB
1	John	Smith	12-01-2010	2010-12-01
2	Bill	Doe	1/9/1963	1963-01-09
3	Jane	Williams	05/19/08	2008-05-19

R doesn't know these are dates

R knows these are dates

Reading dates

Order of elements in date-time	Parse function
year, month, day	ymd()
year, day, month	ydm()
month, day, year	mdy()
day, month, year	dmy()
hour, minute	hm()
hour, minute, second	hms()
year, month, day, hour, minute, second	ymd_hms()

Accessing data parts

Date component	Accessor
Year	<code>year()</code>
Month	<code>month()</code>
Week	<code>week()</code>
Day of year	<code>yday()</code>
Day of month	<code>mday()</code>
Day of week	<code>wday()</code>
Hour	<code>hour()</code>
Minute	<code>minute()</code>
Second	<code>second()</code>
Time zone	<code>tz()</code>



Accessing date parts

```
data$year      <- year(data$DOB)  
data$month     <- month(data$DOB, label = TRUE)  
data$day       <- day(data$DOB)  
data$weekday   <- wday(data$DOB, label=TRUE, abbr = FALSE)
```

	First	Last	birthday	DOB	year	month	day	weekday
1	John	Smith	12-01-2010	2010-12-01	2010	Dec	1	Wednesday
2	Bill	Doe	1/9/1963	1963-01-09	1963	Jan	9	Wednesday
3	Jane	Williams	05/19/08	2008-05-19	2008	May	19	Monday

Date arithmetic

```
data$age <- difftime(now(), data$DOB)
```

	First	Last	DOB	age
1	John	Smith	2010-12-01	2281.775 days
2	Bill	Doe	1963-01-09	19774.775 days
3	Jane	Williams	2008-05-19	3207.775 days

```
data$ageyrs <- as.numeric(data$age) / 365.25
```

	First	Last	DOB	age	ageyrs
1	John	Smith	2010-12-01	2281.775 days	6.247
2	Bill	Doe	1963-01-09	19774.775 days	54.140
3	Jane	Williams	2008-05-19	3207.775 days	8.782





Manipulating Text

Character functions

Function	Description
<code>substr(x, start = n1, stop = n2)</code>	<p>Extract or replace substrings.</p> <p><code>x <- "abcdef"</code> <code>substr(x, 2, 4) is "bcd"</code> <code>substr(x, 2, 4) <- "22222" is "a222ef"</code></p>
<code>grep(pattern, x , ignore.case = FALSE, fixed = FALSE)</code>	<p>Search for pattern in x. Returns matching indices.</p> <p><code>grep("A", c("b","A","c"), fixed=TRUE) returns 2</code></p>
<code>sub(pattern, replacement, x, ignore.case = FALSE, fixed = FALSE)</code>	<p>Find pattern in x and replace with replacement text.</p> <p><code>sub("\\s", ".", "Hello There") returns "Hello.Three"</code></p>

If `fixed=FALSE` then pattern is a regular expression.
If `fixed = TRUE` then pattern is a text string.

Character functions

Function	Description
<code>strsplit(x, split)</code>	Split the elements of character vector x at split. <code>strsplit("abc", "")</code> returns 3 element vector "a","b","c"
<code>paste(..., sep = "")</code>	Concatenate strings after using sep string to separate them. <code>paste("x", 1:3, sep = "")</code> returns <code>c("x1","x2" "x3")</code> <code>paste("x", 1:3, sep = "M")</code> returns <code>c("xM1","xM2" "xM3")</code> <code>paste("Today is", date())</code>
<code>toupper(x)</code>	Uppercase
<code>tolower(x)</code>	Lowercase

Recoding variables

```
df$gender <- ifelse(df$sex == 1, "Male", "Female")
```

```
df$ethn <- ifelse(df$race == 1, "Black",
                   ifelse(df$race == 2, "White",
                          ifelse(df$race == 3, "Asian", "Other")))
```

What about missing values?



Recoding variables

```
library(dplyr)
data(mtcars)
mtcars$cyl <- recode(mtcars$cyl, "4"=40, "6"=60, "8"=80)

data(mtcars)
mtcars$cyl <- recode(mtcars$cyl, "4"=40, "6"=60)

data(mtcars)
mtcars$gear <- factor(mtcars$gear)
mtcars$gear <- recode(mtcars$gear, "3"="3gears",
                      "4"="4gears", "5"="5gears")
```

