

Data Transformation with dplyr :: CHEAT SHEET



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



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

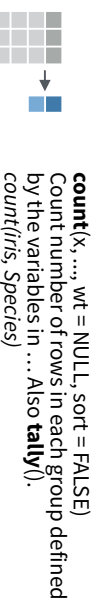
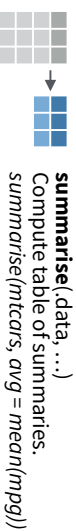
Each **observation**, or **case**, is in its own **row**



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



VARIATIONS

summarise_all() - Apply funs to every column.
summarise_at() - Apply funs to specific columns.
summarise_if() - Apply funs to all cols of one type.

Group Cases

Use **group_by()** to create a "grouped" copy of a table. dplyr functions will manipulate each "group" separately and then combine the results.



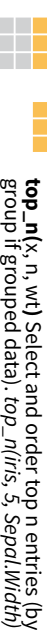
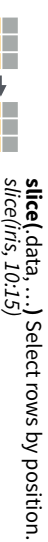
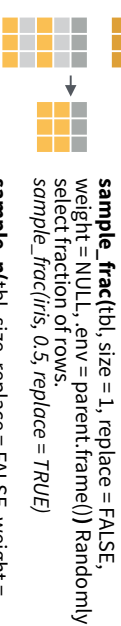
group_by()(data, ..., add = FALSE)
Returns copy of table grouped by ...
`g_iris <- group_by(iris, Species)`

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

Manipulate Cases

EXTRACT CASES

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



Logical and boolean operators to use with filter()

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

See [?base::logic](#) and [?Comparison](#) for help.

ARRANGE CASES



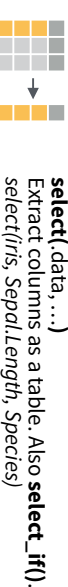
ADD CASES



Manipulate Variables

EXTRACT VARIABLES

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



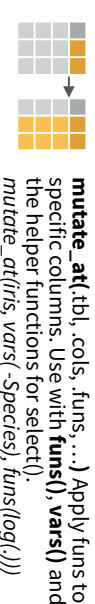
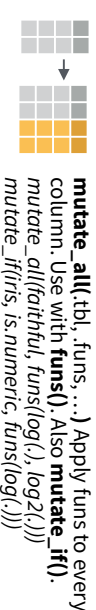
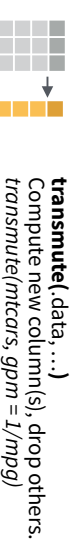
Use these helpers with **select()**, e.g. `select(iris, starts_with("Sepal"))`

contains()(match) **num_range()**(prefix, range) **ends_with()**(match) **one_of()** **starts_with()**(match) **matches()**(match)

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





Vector 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()
iris %>% mutate(Species = case_when(iris %>% %>% mutate(Species = "virginica" ~ "virg", Species = "virginica" ~ "virg", TRUE ~ Species))
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(iris, var = "C")

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

Also has_rownames(), remove_rownames()

Combine Tables

COMBINE VARIABLES

X

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

 + *Y*

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

 =

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

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

 + *Y*

A	B	C
a	t	3
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

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

 + *Y*

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

 =

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

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.