

Introduction to the R package `dplyr`

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First contact with tabular data

Game Plan

We'll use the R package **dplyr** to manipulate tables in a modern-syntactic way.

We'll be using a toy data table to illustrate dplyr concepts.

Toy Data

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50

Toy Data

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50

```
dat <- data.frame(  
  name = c('Anakin', 'Padme', 'Luke', 'Leia'),  
  gender = c('male', 'female', 'male', 'female'),  
  height = c(1.88, 1.65, 1.72, 1.50)  
)
```

dplyr verbs

- filter
- select
- slice
- mutate
- group_by
- arrange
- summarise

Structure of dplyr verbs

- First argument is a data frame (or tibble)
- Subsequent arguments say what to do with data frame
- Always return a data frame (or tibble)
- Never modify in place

filter

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Padme	female	1.65
Leia	female	1.50

```
filter(dat, gender == "female")
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Luke	male	1.72

```
filter(dat, name == "Luke")
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50

```
filter(dat, name %in% c("Luke", "Leia"))
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72

```
filter(dat, name != "Leia")
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Padme	female	1.65
Leia	female	1.50

`filter(dat, height < 1.70)`

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72

`filter(dat, height > 1.6 & height < 1.8)`

select

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name
Anakin
Padme
Luke
Leia

select (dat, name)

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	height
Anakin	1.88
Padme	1.65
Luke	1.72
Leia	1.50

select (dat, name, height)

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



height	name
1.88	Anakin
1.65	Padme
1.72	Luke
1.50	Leia

`select (dat, height, name)`

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender
Anakin	male
Padme	female
Luke	male
Leia	female

select (dat, -height)

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender
Anakin	male
Padme	female
Luke	male
Leia	female

select (dat, name : gender)

slice

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88

`slice(dat, 1)`

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65

`slice(dat, 1:2)`

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Padme	female	1.65
Leia	female	1.50

`slice(dat, c(2, 4))`

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50

`slice(dat, -1)`

arrange

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Leia	female	1.50
Luke	male	1.72
Padme	female	1.65

arrange (dat, name)

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Padme	female	1.65
Leia	female	1.50
Anakin	male	1.88
Luke	male	1.72

arrange (dat, gender)

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Leia	female	1.50
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Anakin	male	1.88

arrange (dat, height)

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Luke	male	1.72
Padme	female	1.65
Leia	female	1.50

arrange (dat, desc (height))

mutate

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height
Anakin	male	0.188
Padme	female	0.165
Luke	male	0.172
Leia	female	0.150

```
mutate(dat, height = height / 10)
```


dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



name	gender	height	ht10
Anakin	male	1.88	18.8
Padme	female	1.65	16.5
Luke	male	1.72	17.2
Leia	female	1.50	15.0

```
mutate(dat, ht10 = height * 10)
```

Grouped Summarise

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



total
6.75

```
summarise(dat, total = sum(height))
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



avg
1.6875

```
summarise(dat, avg = mean(height))
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



avg	med
1.6875	1.685

```
summarise (dat,  
  avg = mean (height) ,  
  med = median (height) )
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



gender	avg
female	1.58
male	1.8

```
by_gender <- group_by(dat, gender)
```

```
summarise(by_gender, avg = mean(height))
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



gender	min
female	1.5
male	1.72

```
by_gender <- group_by(dat, gender)
```

```
summarise(by_gender, min = min(height))
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



gender	min	max
female	1.5	1.65
male	1.72	1.88

```
by_gender <- group_by(dat, gender)
```

```
summarise(by_gender,  
  min = min(height),  
  max = max(height))
```


dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



gender	avg	sd
female	1.58	0.106
male	1.8	0.113

```
summarise (  
  group_by (dat, gender) ,  
  avg = mean (height) ,  
  sd = sd (height) )
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



gender	avg	sd
male	1.8	0.113
female	1.58	0.106

```
arrange (  
  summarise (group_by (dat, gender) ,  
    avg = mean (height) ,  
    sd = sd (height) ) ,  
  desc (avg) )
```

Other Functions

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



gender	n
female	2
male	2

```
by_gender <- group_by(dat, gender)
```

```
count(by_gender)
```

dat

name	gender	height
Anakin	male	1.88
Padme	female	1.65
Luke	male	1.72
Leia	female	1.50



gender
male
female

```
distinct(select(dat, gender))
```

```
n_distinct(select(dat, gender)) → 2
```