

Introduction to Tidyverse : : CHEAT SHEET



Basics

The **tidyverse** is an opinionated **collection** of R **packages** designed for data science. All packages **share** an underlying philosophy and common APIs.

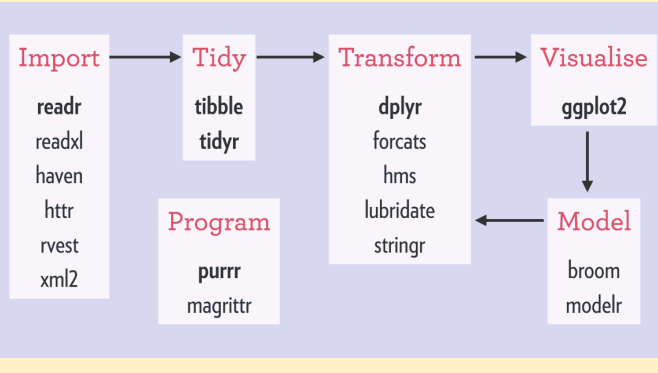
- **dplyr**: data manipulation
- **ggplot2**: creating advanced graphics
- **readr**: importing data
- **tibble**: A tibble, or `tbl_df`, is a modern reimagining of the `data.frame`.
- **tidyr**: creating tidy data.
- **purrr**: enhancing R's functional programming.

Why use the tidyverse?

All tidyverse packages and functions serve to accomplish one of two goals:

- Providing **faster**, more **efficient** implementation of base R functions.
- Allow for **cleaner**, **easier** to read syntax.

Workflow of tidyverse:



Importing data with readr

Part of the tidyverse. **readr** provides a **faster** tabular data importing framework compared to base R. Reads and writes more file types than base R and supports reading non-tabular data.

readr functions:

```
read.csvb("file.csv")
read_tsv("file.tsv")
write_excel_csv(df, "file.csv")
read_lines("file.txt")
```

Manipulating data with tibble

tibble is the tidyverse's rendition of a `dataframe`. It is part of the **dplyr** package.

We can convert a traditional `dataframe` to a tibble using `as_tibble()`

- **tibble()** never changes the type of the inputs
- **tibble()** never changes the names of variables
- **tibble()** never creates row names

tibble dataframe

| | Variable 1 | Variable 2 |
|---------------|------------|------------|
| | data type | data type |
| observation 1 | | |
| observation 2 | | |

tibble dataframe example

| | Car brand | Model | Year |
|---|-----------|-------|-------|
| | <chr> | <chr> | <int> |
| 1 | Audi | A4 | 2015 |
| 2 | Audi | A8 | 2015 |
| 3 | Benz | S200 | 2016 |

Piping

Pipe, `%>%`, one of R's most widely-used functions, aims to make code more readable by reordering the functions so that they appear in the order they are executed.

Without pipe,

```
head(iris,n=2)
```

And with pipe

```
iris %>% head(n=2)
```



| | Sepal.Length | Sepal.Width | Petal.Length | Petal.Width | Species |
|---|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------|
| 1 | 5.1 | 3.5 | 1.4 | 0.2 | setosa |
| 2 | 4.9 | 3.0 | 1.4 | 0.2 | setosa |

give the same result.

Transforming data with dplyr

dplyr package allows us to perform data manipulation tasks.

Most data manipulation tasks can be solved using a combination of the following **six functions**:

- **filter**: filters out rows according to some conditions.
- **arrange**: reorders rows according to some conditions.
- **select**: selects a subset of columns.
- **mutate**: adds a new column as a function of existing.
- **summarise**: collapses a data frame to a single row.
- **group_by**: breaks a data frame into groups of rows.

These functions from **dplyr** are designed to be used on a **tibble**, but work on a normal **data frame** as well.

Use iris as an example:

Get "virginica" with Sepal.Length larger than 8:

```
iris %>%
  filter(Species == "virginica", Sepal.Length > 8)
```

Add a column called "Sepal.Area", which values width times length and don't keep Sepal.Length and Sepal.Width:

```
iris %>%
  mutate(Sepal.Area = Sepal.Width *
  Sepal.Length) %>%
```

```
select(-Sepal.Length,-Sepal.Width)
```

Get means of areas each species:

```
iris %>%
  mutate(Sepal.Area = Sepal.Width *
  Sepal.Length) %>%
```

```
group_by(Species) %>%
```

```
summarise(count=n(),
  mean=mean(Sepal.Area))
```

Visualizing data with ggplot2

ggplot2 is based on the **grammar of graphics**, the idea that you can build every graph from the same components: a **data** set, a **coordinate system**, and **geoms**—visual marks that represent data points.

```
ggplot(data = mpg, aes(x = cty, y = hwy))
```

Begins a plot that you finish by adding layers to. Add one geom function per layer.

There is a cheat sheet posted on RStudio, please open the link below for more details of **ggplot2**.

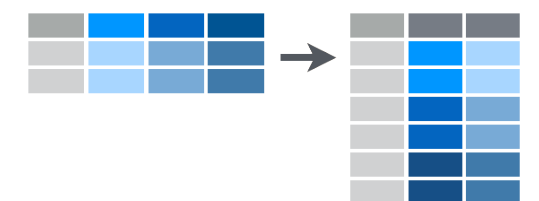
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Creating tidy data with tidyr

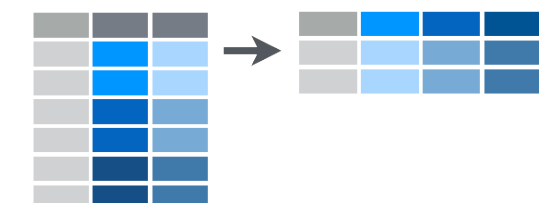
The two main **functions** of **tidyr** are **gather()** and **spread()**. These functions allow **converting** between **long data and wide data** (similar to the reshape package, but better than reshape, and can be used for pipeline `%>%`).

A data frame where some of the rows **contain information** that is really a **variable name**. This means the columns are a **combination** of variable names as well as some data.

gather() turns wide data to long data like below:



spread() turns long data to wide data like below:



References

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