

# Package ‘dtplyr’

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### See Also

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/tidyverse/dtplyr>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/tidyverse/dtplyr/issues>

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collect.dtplyr_step	<i>Force computation of a lazy data.table</i>
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### Description

- collect() returns a tibble, grouped if needed
- compute() returns a new [lazy\\_dt](#)
- as.data.table() returns a data.table
- as.data.frame() returns a data frame
- as\_tibble() returns a tibble

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'dtplyr_step'
collect(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'dtplyr_step'
compute(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'dtplyr_step'
as.data.table(x, keep.rownames = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'dtplyr_step'
as.data.frame(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'dtplyr_step'
as_tibble(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	A <a href="#">lazy_dt</a>
...	Arguments used by other methods.
keep.rownames	Ignored as dplyr never preserves rownames.

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```
group_modify.dtplyr_step
```

*Modify a lazy\_dt in place*

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**Description**

group\_modify() applies .f to each group, returning a modified [lazy\\_dt\(\)](#). This function is a little less flexible than the data.frame method due to the constraints of the code generation that dtplyr uses.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'dtplyr_step'
group_modify(.tbl, .f, ..., keep = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

.tbl	A <a href="#">lazy_dt</a>
.f	The name of a two argument function. The first argument is passed .SD, the data.table representing the current group; the second argument is passed .BY, a list giving the current values of the grouping variables. The function should return a list or data.table.
...	Additional arguments passed to .f
keep	Not supported for <a href="#">lazy_dt</a> .

**Examples**

```
library(dplyr)

mtcars %>%
  lazy_dt() %>%
  group_by(cyl) %>%
  group_modify(head, n = 2L)
```

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lazy\_dt

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*Create a "lazy" data.table for use with dplyr verbs*


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**Description**

A lazy data.table lazy captures the intent of dplyr verbs, only actually performing computation when requested (with `collect()`, `pull()`, `as.data.frame()`, `data.table::as.data.table()`, or `tibble::as_tibble()`). This allows dtplyr to convert dplyr verbs into as few data.table expressions as possible, which leads to a high performance translation.

See vignette("translation") for the details of the translation.

**Usage**

```
lazy_dt(x, name = NULL, immutable = TRUE, key_by = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

x	A data table (or something that can be coerced to a data table).
name	Optionally, supply a name to be used in generated expressions. For expert use only.
immutable	If TRUE, x is treated as immutable and will never be modified by any code generated by dtplyr. Alternatively, you can set immutable = FALSE to allow dtplyr to modify the input object.
key_by	Set keys for data frame, using <code>select()</code> semantics (e.g. <code>key_by = c(key1, key2)</code> ). This uses <code>data.table::setkey()</code> to sort the table and build an index. This will considerably improve performance for subsets, summaries, and joins that use the keys. See vignette("datatable-keys-fast-subset") for more details.

**Examples**

```
library(dplyr, warn.conflicts = FALSE)

mtcars2 <- lazy_dt(mtcars)
mtcars2
mtcars2 %>% select(mpg:cyl)
mtcars2 %>% select(x = mpg, y = cyl)
mtcars2 %>% filter(cyl == 4) %>% select(mpg)
```

```
mtcars2 %>% select(mpg, cyl) %>% filter(cyl == 4)
mtcars2 %>% mutate(cyl2 = cyl * 2, cyl4 = cyl2 * 2)
mtcars2 %>% transmute(cyl2 = cyl * 2, vs2 = vs * 2)
mtcars2 %>% filter(cyl == 8) %>% mutate(cyl2 = cyl * 2)

by_cyl <- mtcars2 %>% group_by(cyl)
by_cyl %>% summarise(mpg = mean(mpg))
by_cyl %>% mutate(mpg = mean(mpg))
by_cyl %>% filter(mpg < mean(mpg)) %>% summarise(hp = mean(hp))
```

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single\_table

*Single table operations*


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## Description

This documents differences between standard dplyr verbs and their data.table instantiation.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dtplyr_step'
group_by(.data, ..., add = FALSE, arrange = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

.data	A data.table
...	In group_by(), variables or computations to group by. In ungroup(), variables to remove from the grouping.
add	When FALSE, the default, group_by() will override existing groups. To add to the existing groups, use .add = TRUE. This argument was previously called add, but that prevented creating a new grouping variable called add, and conflicts with our naming conventions.
arrange	If TRUE, will automatically arrange the output of subsequent grouped operations by group. If FALSE, output order will be left unchanged. In the generated data.table code this switches between using the keyby (TRUE) and by (FALSE) arguments.

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