

How can I use `bind_rows` and `bind_cols` in dplyr?

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`bind_rows` and `bind_cols` are functions in the `dplyr` package that allow for combining and merging data frames in R. `bind_rows` merges data frames by rows, combining the rows of multiple data frames into one data frame. `bind_cols` merges data frames by columns, combining the columns of multiple data frames into one data frame. These functions are useful for creating new data frames from existing ones, or for adding new rows or columns to existing data frames. They can also be used for joining tables based on common variables. Overall, `bind_rows` and `bind_cols` are powerful tools for manipulating and organizing data in R.

Use `bind_rows` and `bind_cols` in dplyr (With Examples)

You can use the `bind_rows()` function from the package in R to bind together two data frames by their rows:

```
bind_rows(df1, df2, df3, ...)
```

Similarly, you can use the `bind_cols()` function from `dplyr` to bind together two data frames by their columns:

```
bind_cols(df1, df2, df3, ...)
```

The following examples show how to use each of these functions in practice.

Example 1: Use `bind_rows()`

The following code shows how to use the `bind_rows()` function to bind three data frames together based on

their rows:

```
library(dplyr)
```

```
#create data frames
```

```
df1 <- data.frame(team=c('A', 'A', 'B', 'B'),  
points=c(12, 14, 19, 24))
```

```
df2 <- data.frame(team=c('A', 'B', 'C', 'C'),  
points=c(8, 17, 22, 25))
```

```
df3 <- data.frame(team=c('A', 'B', 'C', 'C'),  
assists=c(4, 9, 12, 6))
```

```
#row bind together data frames
```

```
bind_rows(df1, df2, df3)
```

```
team points assists
```

```
1 A 12 NA
```

```
2 A 14 NA
```

```
3 B 19 NA
```

```
4 B 24 NA
```

```
5 A 8 NA
```

```
6 B 17 NA
```

```
7 C 22 NA
```

```
8 C 25 NA
```

9 A NA 4

10 B NA 9

11 C NA 12

12 C NA 6

Notice that this function automatically fills in missing values with `NA` if the data frames do not all have the same column names.

Example 2: Use `bind_cols()`

The following code shows how to use the `bind_cols()` function to bind three data frames together based on their columns:

```
library(dplyr)
```

```
#create data frames
```

```
df1 <- data.frame(team=c('A', 'A', 'B', 'B'),  
points=c(12, 14, 19, 24))
```

```
df2 <- data.frame(team=c('A', 'B', 'C', 'C'),  
points=c(8, 17, 22, 25))
```

```
df3 <- data.frame(team=c('A', 'B', 'C', 'C'),  
assists=c(4, 9, 12, 6))
```

#column bind together data frames

`bind_cols(df1, df2, df3)`

team points assists steals blocks rebounds

1 A 12 A 8 A 4

2 A 14 B 17 B 9

3 B 19 C 22 C 12

4 B 24 C 25 C 6

Notice that the original columns from each data frame appear in the final data frame in the order that we specified them in the `bind_cols()` function.

The following tutorials explain how to bind together data frames using the `rbind()` and `cbind()` functions from base R:

The following tutorials explain how to perform other common functions in `dplyr`: