Chapter 2: Exploring Data

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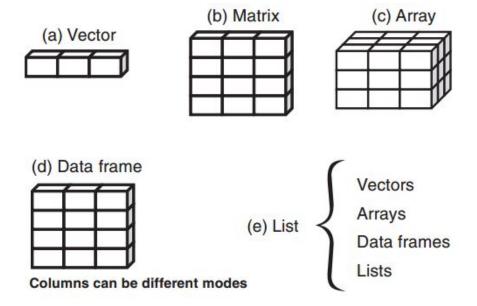
Overview

The main objective in this chapter is to introduce data science toolbox using tidyverse packages.

- ▷ Section 1: Structures of data in R (Kabacoff 2015)
- > Section 2: Visualizing data via the ggplot2 package (Wickham and Grolemund 2016)
- ▷ Section 3: Wrangling data via the dplyr package (Wickham and Grolemund 2016)
- ▷ Section 4: How to tidy your data (Wickham and Grolemund 2016)
 - Understanding the concept of "tidy" data as a standardized data input format for all packages in the tidyverse.
 - Import Data with readr
 - Convert data to a tibble
 - Tidy data with tidyr
- \triangleright Finally, we introduce the basic descriptive statistics in Section 5 (Ugarte, Militino, and Arnholt 2016).

1 Data Structure

Objects for holding data



1.1 Vectors

Vectors

Vectors are one-dimensional arrays that can hold numeric data, character data, or logical data

▷ The combine function c() is used to form the vector

```
> a<-c(1, 2, 5, 3, 4) # numeric vector
> b<-c("one","two","three") # character vector
> c<-c(TRUE,TRUE,FALSE) # logical vector
> a

[1] 1 2 5 3 4
> b[2]

[1] "two"
```

1.2 Matrices

Matrices

A matrix is a two-dimensional array in which each element has the *same mode* (numeric, character, or logical).

Matrices

1.3 Arrays

Arrays

Arrays are similar to matrices but can have more than two dimensions

```
myarray <- array(vector, dimensions, dimnames)</pre>
```

```
> dim1<-c("A1","A2")
> dim2<-c("B1","B2","B3")
> dim3<-c("C1","C2","C3","C4")
> z<-array(1:24,c(2,3,4),dimnames=list(dim1,dim2,dim3))</pre>
```

Arrays

```
> z
, , C1
B1 B2 B3
A1 1 3 5
A2 2 4 6
```

```
B1 B2 B3
A1 7 9 11
A2 8 10 12

, , C3

B1 B2 B3
A1 13 15 17
A2 14 16 18

, , C4

B1 B2 B3
A1 19 21 23
A2 20 22 24
```

1.4 Data Frame

Data Frame: Most used structure in Statistics

A **data frame** is more general than a matrix in that different columns can contain *different* modes of data (numeric, character, and so on)

```
mydata <- data.frame(col1, col2, col3,...)</pre>
```

where col1, col2, col3, and so on are column vectors of any type .

Example

Frequently used: str() and summary()

str(object) gives the structure of an object

Frequently used: head() and tail()

head(object) lists the first part of an object. tail(object)lists the last part of an object. They are useful for quickly scanning large datasets.

```
> head(patientdata)

patientID age diabetes status
1     1     25     Type1     Poor
2     2     34     Type2     Improved
3     3     28     Type1     Excellent
4     4     52     Type1     Poor
```

Specifying elements of a data frame

```
> patientdata$age #variable age from patientdata
[1] 25 34 28 52
> patientdata[1:2]
 patientID age
    1 25
2
        2 34
3
        3 28
        4 52
> patientdata[c("diabetes", "status")]
  diabetes status
1 Type1 Poor
    Type2 Improved
  Type1 Excellent
4 Type1
            Poor
```

1.5 Factors

Types of variables

- ▷ Nominal variables
 - are categorical, without an implied order. e.g. Diabetes (Type1, Type2)

- \triangleright Ordinal variables
 - categorical, imply order but not amount. e.g. Status (poor, improved, excellent)
- - can take on any value within some range, and both order and amount are implied
- > Categorical (nominal) and ordered categorical (ordinal) variables in R are called factors

The use of factor()

```
> diabetes<-c("Type1","Type2","Type1")
> diabetes

[1] "Type1" "Type2" "Type1" "Type1"

> diabetes<-factor(diabetes)
> diabetes

[1] Type1 Type2 Type1 Type1
Levels: Type1 Type2

> levels(diabetes)

[1] "Type1" "Type2"

> class(diabetes)

[1] "factor"
```

Ordered factor

1.6 Lists

List: the most flexible and richest structure in R

Basically, a list is an ordered collection of objects (components).

A list allows you to gather a variety of (possibly unrelated) objects under one name.

```
list()
     mylist<-list(object1,object2,...)</pre>
or
     mylist<-list(name1=object1,name2=object2,...)</pre>
```

Example of a list

```
> g<-"My First List"
> h<-c(25, 26, 18, 39)
> j<-matrix(1:10,nrow=2)
> k<-c("one", "two", "three")
> mylist<-list(title=g,ages=h,j,k)
> mylist
$title
[1] "My First List"
$ages
[1] 25 26 18 39
    [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
[1,] 1 3 5 7 9
[2,] 2 4 6 8 10
[[4]]
[1] "one" "two" "three"
> mylist[[2]]
[1] 25 26 18 39
> mylist[["ages"]]
[1] 25 26 18 39
```

Data types summary

What type is your data?

Data structure	Instruction in R	Description
vector	c()	Sequence of elements of the
		same nature.
matrix	matrix()	Two-dimensional table of ele-
		ments of the same nature.
multidimensional table	array()	More general than a matrix; ta-
		ble with several dimensions.
list	list()	Sequence of R structures of any
		(and possibly different) nature.
individual×variable table	data.frame()	Two-dimensional table. The
		columns can be of different na-
		tures, but must have the same
		length.
factor	<pre>factor(), ordered()</pre>	Vector of character strings asso-
		ciated with a modality table.
dates	as.Date()	Vector of dates.
time series	ts()	Values of a variable observed at
		several time points.

Type	Description				
class()	Class from which object inherits				
	(vector, matrix, function, logical, list, …)				
mode()	Numeric, character, logical, …				
storage.mode()	Mode used by R to store object				
	(double, integer, character, logical, …)				
<pre>is.function()</pre>	Logical (TRUE if function)				
is.na()	Logical (TRUE if missing)				
names()	Names associated with object				
<pre>dimnames()</pre>	Names for each dim of array				
attributes()	Names, class, etc.				

2 Data visualisation with ggplot2

2.1 Data and Aesthetics mapping

Introduction to ggplot2

ggplot 2 is a powerful and a flexible R package, implemented by ${\it Hadley~Wickham}$, for producing elegant graphics.

The gg means Grammar of Graphics:

"Plot =
$$data + Aesthetics + Geometry$$
"

data is a data frame

Aesthetics is used to indicate x and y variables. It can be also used to control the color, the size or the shape of points, the height of bars, etc.....

Geometry corresponds to the *type of graphics* (histogram, box plot, line plot, density plot, dot plot,)

Dataset mpg

Contains observations collected by the US Environment Protection Agency on 38 models of cars.

Variables involved in mpg

```
\mathbf{hwy}\, Fuel efficiency on the highway, in miles per gallon
```

year year of manufacture

displ Engine size, in liters

model model name

```
drv f = front-wheel drive, r = rear wheel drive, 4 = 4wd
```

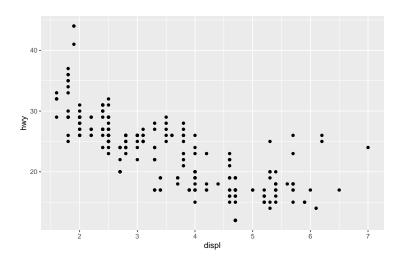
trans type of transmission

cyl number of cylinders

cty city miles per gallon

class "type" of car

Creating a ggplot



Save ggplots

```
# Print the plot to a pdf file
    pdf("myplot.pdf")
    myplot <- ggplot(...)
    print(myplot)
    dev.off()

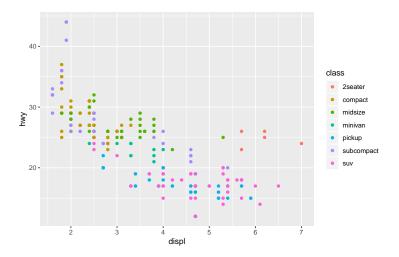
# Print the plot to a png file
    png("myplot.png")
    print(myplot)
    dev.off()

# Save the plot to a pdf
    ggsave("myplot.pdf")

# OR save it to png file
    ggsave("myplot.png")</pre>
```

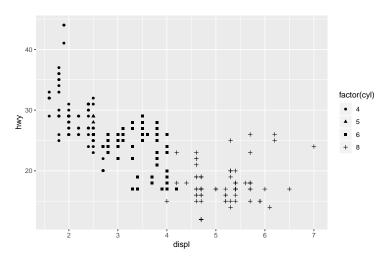
with colors

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+ geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy, color = class))
```



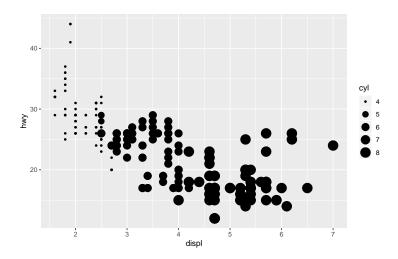
Shape of the points

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+ geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy, shape = factor(cyl)))
```

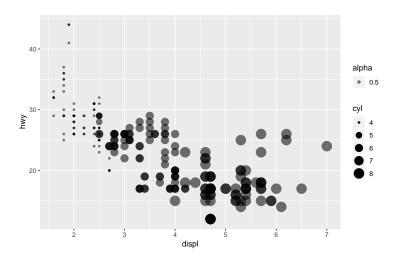


Variable size of points

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+ geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy, size = cyl))
```

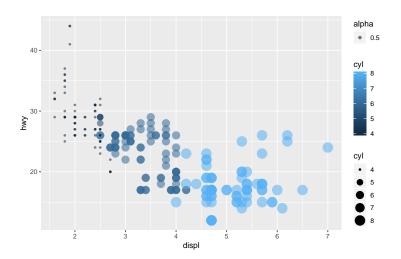


Variable points: size and transparency



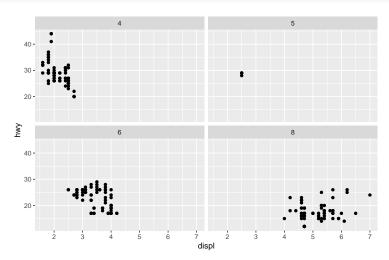
Variable points: size, colors and transparency

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+ geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy,
+ size = cyl, color = cyl, alpha = 0.5))
```



Facets

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+   geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)) +
+  facet_wrap(~ cyl, nrow = 2)
```



2.2 Geometric Objects

Plot one variable

 $\,\rhd\,$ For one continuous variable:

```
geom_histogram() for histogram plot
geom_area() for area plot
geom_density() for density plot
```

```
geom_dotplot() for dot plot
geom_freqpoly() for frequency polygon
stat_ecdf() for empirical cumulative density function
stat_qq() for quantile - quantile plotting

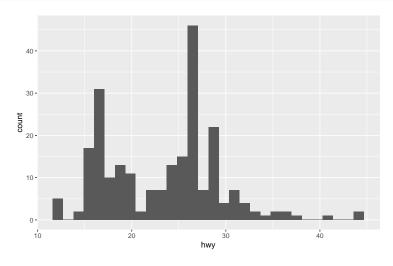
▷ For one discrete variable:
geom_bar() for bar plot
```

Plot two variables

```
geom_point() for scatter plot
geom_smooth() for adding smoothed line such as regression line
geom_boxplot() for comparison of continuous y and discrete x
geom_quantile() for adding quantile lines
geom_rug() for adding a marginal rug
geom_jitter() for avoiding overplotting
geom_text() for adding textual annotations
```

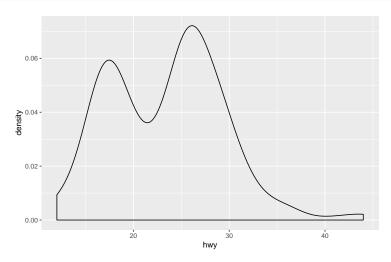
Plot of hwy: histogram

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+ geom_histogram(aes(x = hwy))
```



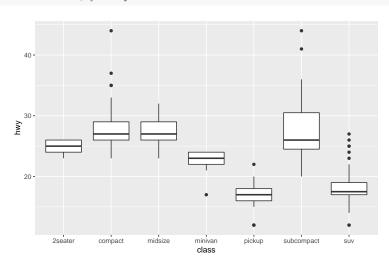
Plot of hwy: density

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+ geom_density(aes(x = hwy))
```



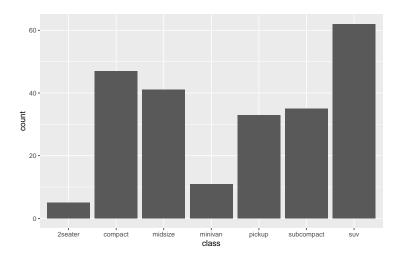
Plot of hwy: box plot for comparison

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+ geom_boxplot(aes(x = class, y = hwy))
```



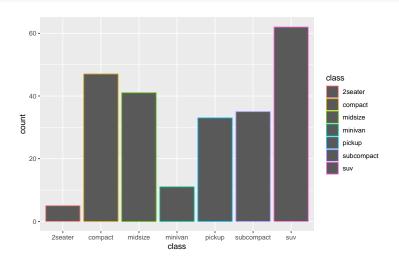
Plot of class: bar chart

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+ geom_bar(aes(x = class))
```



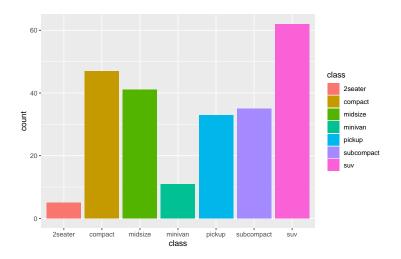
Plot of class: bar chart with colors

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+ geom_bar(aes(x = class, color = class))
```



Plot of class: fill in colors into bars

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+    geom_bar(aes(x = class, fill = class))
```



Plot two variables: scatter plot Scatter Plots:

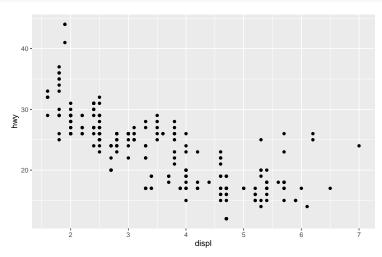
- ▶ Key function: geom_point()
- ▷ Key arguments to customize the plot: alpha, color, fill, shape and size

Add regression line or smoothed conditional mean:

- ▶ Key functions: geom_smooth() and geom_abline()
- \triangleright Key arguments to customize the plot: alpha, color, fill, shape, linetype and size

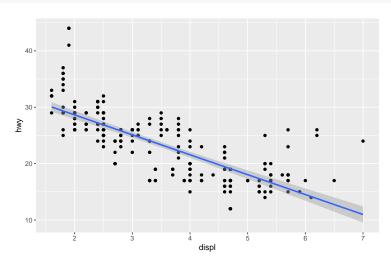
Scatter plot

```
> b <- ggplot(mpg, aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
> b + geom_point()
```



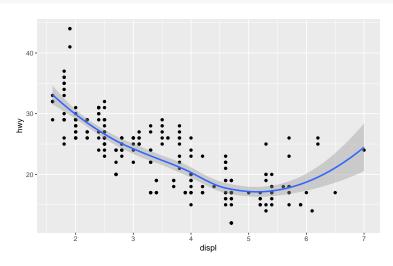
Scatter plot with regression line

> b + geom_point() + geom_smooth(method = lm)



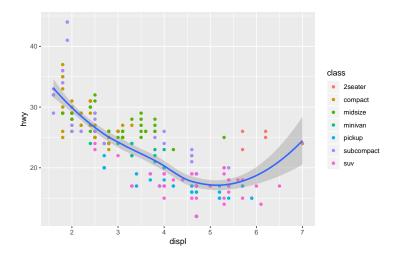
Loess method: local regression fitting

> b + geom_point() + geom_smooth()



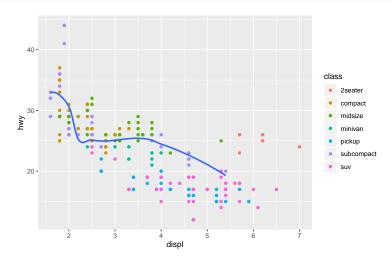
Local mappings for a layer

```
> b + geom_point(mapping = aes(color = class)) + geom_smooth()
```



Displays just a subset of the dataset

```
> b + geom_point(mapping = aes(color = class)) +
+ geom_smooth(data = filter(mpg, class == "subcompact"),
+ se = FALSE)
```



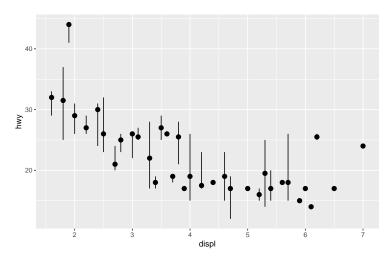
2.3 Statistical Transformations

stat

- $\,\rhd\,$ The algorithm used to calculate new values for a graph is called a stat
- \triangleright Some plots visualize a transformation of the original data set. In this case, an alternative way to build a layer is to use $stat_*()$ functions.
- \triangleright geom_bar() = stat_count(): ?geom_bar shows the default value for stat is "count"

Statistical transformation in your code

```
> ggplot(data = mpg) +
+ stat_summary( mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy),
+ fun.ymin = min, fun.ymax = max, fun.y = median )
```

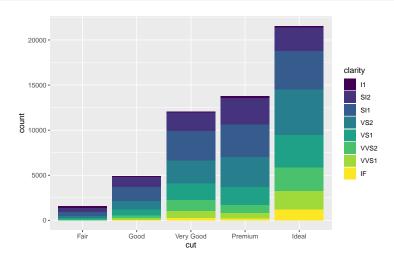


2.4 Position Adjustments

Position in bar chart

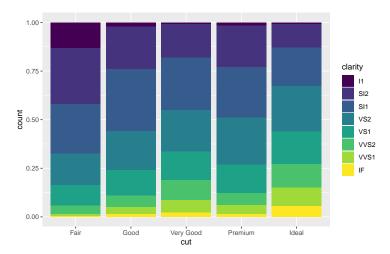
What will happen if you map the fill aesthetic to another variable, like clarity? The stacking is performed automatically by the position adjustment specified by the position argument.

> ggplot(data = diamonds) + geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill = clarity))



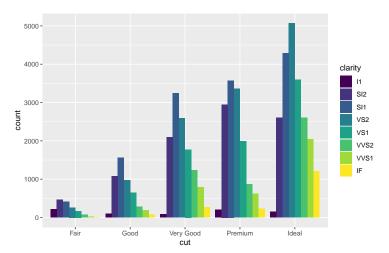
bar chart: position = "fill"

```
> ggplot(data = diamonds) +
+ geom_bar( mapping = aes(x = cut, fill = clarity),
+ position = "fill" )
```



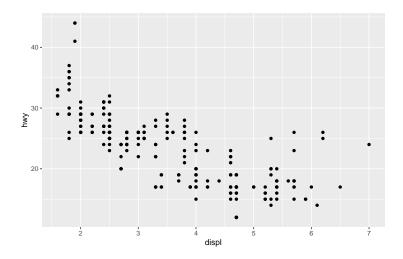
bar chart: position = "dodge"

```
> ggplot(data = diamonds) +
+ geom_bar( mapping = aes(x = cut, fill = clarity),
+ position = "dodge" )
```

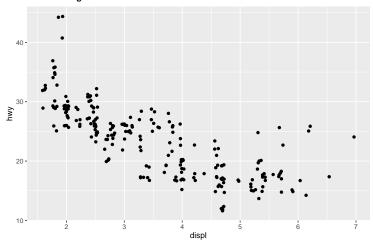


Position in scatter plots

Did you notice that the plot displays only 126 points, even though there are 234 observations in the dataset? This is known as overplotting.



scatter plots: position = "jitter"



3 Data transformation with dplyr

3.1 Introduction

Aims

In this section, we will learn about $data\ wrangling$, the art of getting your data into R for visualization and modeling.

- \triangleright how to transform your data using the dplyr package
- $\,\rhd\,$ a new dataset on flights departing New York City in 2013.

Prerequisites

This section and the next will explore the package library(tidyverse). Core packages in *tidyverse* include:

dplyr for data manipulation.

tidyr for data tidying.

tibble for tibbles, a modern re-imagining of data frames

readr for data import.

nycights13

This dataset contains all 336,776 flights that departed from New York City in 2013 (From the US Bureau of Transportation Statistics).

```
> library(nycflights13)
> flights
# A tibble: 336,776 x 19
  year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
9 2013 1 1
10 2013 1 1
                                600
                   557
                                           -3
                                                 838
                     558
                                600
                                           -2
10 2013
# ... with 336,766 more rows, and 12 more variables: sched_arr_time <int>,
#
  arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>,
  origin <chr>, dest <chr>, air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>,
# minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>
```

Tibble is a new format of data frame

- → Tibbles are a modern take on data frames.
- ▶ They keep the features that have stood the test of time, and drop the features that used to be convenient but are now frustrating (i.e. converting character vectors to factors).

Type:

int stands for integers.

dbl stands for doubles, or real numbers.

chr stands for character vectors, or strings.

dttm stands for date-times (a date + a time)

dplyr Basics

```
filter() Pick observations by their values.
```

arrange() Reorder the rows.

select() Pick variables by their names.

mutate() Create new variables with functions of existing variables.

summarize() Collapse many values down to a single summary.

group_by() Group rows.

3.2 Filter Rows with filter()

filter() allows you to subset observations

All dplyr work similarly:

- 1. The first argument is a data frame.
- 2. The subsequent arguments describe what to do with the data frame, using the variable names (without quotes).
- 3. The result is a new data frame.

Display filtered results

```
> filter(flights, month == 1, day == 1)
 # A tibble: 842 x 19
             year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
           <int> <int <int> <int <int <int > <int < <int < <int < > <int < <int < > <int < <int < <int < > <int < <int < > <int < <
   1 2013 1 1
2 2013 1 1
                                                                                    517
                                                                                                                                          515
                                                                                                                                                                                                               830
                                                                                    533
                                                                                                                                           529
                                                                                                                                                                                                               850
   3 2013 1 1 542
                                                                                                                                           540
                                                                                                                                                                                     2
                                                                                                                                                                                                               923
  4 2013 1 1 544
5 2013 1 1 554
6 2013 1 1 554
                                                                                                                                           545
                                                                                                                                                                                      -1
                                                                                                                                                                                                            1004
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                                                                                                                                                                                       -6
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                 740
   7 2013 1 1 555
                                                                                                                                                                                      -5
                                                                                                                                                                                                               913
   8 2013 1 1 557
                                                                                                                                             600
                                                                                                                                                                                      -3
                                                                                                                                                                                                                709
                                    1 1
1 1
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                                                                                          557
                                                                                                                                               600
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   838
  9 2013
 10 2013
                                                                                           558
                                                                                                                                               600
                                                                                                                                                                                      -2
 # ... with 832 more rows, and 12 more variables: sched_arr_time <int>,
# arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>,
# origin <chr>, dest <chr>, air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>,
# minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>
```

Display and save results

```
> (dec25 <- filter(flights, month == 12, day == 25))</pre>
```

```
# A tibble: 719 x 19
  year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
  \langle \text{int} \rangle \langle \text{int} \rangle \langle \text{int} \rangle \langle \text{int} \rangle \langle \text{dbl} \rangle \langle \text{int} \rangle
1 2013 12 25
2 2013 12 25
                     456
524
542
                                     500
515
                                               -4
                                                       649
                                                  9
                                                        805
3 2013 12 25
                                     540
                                                 2
                                                        832
4 2013 12 25 546
                                     550
                                                 -4 1022
                                     600
5 2013 12 25 556
                                                 -4 730
                     557
                                     600
                                                        743
6 2013 12 25
                                                 -3
   2013
          12
                25
                        557
                                      600
                                                 -3
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         12 25
                                     600
                                                 -1
8 2013
                        559
                                                        855
9 2013 12 25
                      559
                                     600
                                                 -1
10 2013 12 25
                      600
                                     600
                                                 0
                                                        850
# ... with 709 more rows, and 12 more variables: sched_arr_time <int>,
# arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>,
# origin <chr>, dest <chr>, air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>,
# minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>
```

Logical operators

Boolean operators:

```
> "&" is "and,"
> "|" is "or,"
> "!=" is "not,"
> "!=" is "not equal,"
> " ==" is "equal,"
> "x %in% y" select every row where x is one of the values in y.
filter(flights, month == 11 | month == 12)
nov_dec <- filter(flights, month %in% c(11, 12))</pre>
```

Missing values

One important feature of R that can make comparison tricky is missing values, or NAs ("not availables").

3.3 Arrange Rows with arrange()

arrange()

- > arrange() works similarly to filter() except that instead of selecting rows, it changes their order.
- ▷ It takes a data frame and a set of column names (or more complicated expressions) to order by.

Arrange by a set of column names

```
> arrange(flights, year, month, day)
# A tibble: 336,776 x 19
  year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
  <int> <int> <int> <int> <int> <int> <int>
                  517
533
1 2013 1 1
                               515
                                              830
2 2013
         1
              1
                               529
                                               850
        1 1
                  542
                                        2
3 2013
                               540
                                              923
4 2013 1 1 544
                               545
5 2013 1 1 554
                               600
                                        -6
                                             812
                  554
555
                               558
600
        1
1
             1
1
6 2013
7 2013
                                        -5
                                               913
        1 1
                  557
                               600
                                        -3
                                               709
8 2013
9 2013 1 1
                   557
                               600
                                         -3
                                              838
                               600
                                        -2
        1 1
                   558
10 2013
                                               753
# ... with 336,766 more rows, and 12 more variables: sched_arr_time <int>,
  arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>,
#
  origin <chr>, dest <chr>, air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>,
# minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>
```

Use desc() to reorder by a column in descending order

```
> arrange(flights, desc(dep_delay))
# A tibble: 336,776 x 19
   year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
  <int> <int> <int> <int> <int> <int> <int> <int> 
1 2013 1 9
                   641
                                900
                                        1301
                                               1242
2 2013 6 15 1432
                                1935
                                        1137
                                                1607
        1 10
9 20
  2013
                    1121
                                1635
                                        1126
                                                1239
                               1845
4 2013
                    1139
                                        1014
                                                1457
5 2013 7 22
                    845
                               1600
                                        1005
                                               1044
                               1900
6 2013 4 10 1100
                                        960
                                              1342
7 2013 3 17 2321
                                810
                                        911
                                                135
                    959
8 2013
          6
              27
                                1900
                                         899
                                                1236
         7
             22
9 2013
                    2257
                                759
                                         898
                                                121
                                       896
10 2013 12
             5
                   756
                               1700
                                               1058
# ... with 336,766 more rows, and 12 more variables: sched_arr_time <int>,
\# arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>,
  origin <chr>, dest <chr>, air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>,
# minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>
```

3.4 Select Columns with select()

select()

select() allows you to rapidly zoom in on a useful subset using operations based on the names of the variables.

Select all columns between year and day

Select all columns except those from year to day

```
1004
                                                        1022
5
       554
                      600
                                  -6
                                         812
                                                         837
                                                                   -25
6
       554
                      558
                                 -4
                                         740
                                                         728
                                                                   12
7
                      600
                                 -5
                                         913
                                                         854
       555
                                                                   19
8
       557
                      600
                                  -3
                                          709
                                                         723
                                                                   -14
9
       557
                      600
                                  -3
                                          838
                                                         846
                                                                    -8
                                 -2
10
       558
                      600
                                         753
                                                        745
# ... with 336,766 more rows, and 10 more variables: carrier <chr>,
  flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>, air_time <dbl>,
   distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>
```

Select anything that starts with "d"

```
> select(flights, starts_with("d"))
# A tibble: 336,776 x 5
    day dep_time dep_delay dest distance
         <int> <dbl> <chr>
                              <dbl>
                   2 IAH
          517
                                1400
    1
2
          533
                     4 IAH
                                1416
    1
          542
                     2 MIA
3
                                1089
           544
                     -1 BQN
                                 1576
                     -6 ATL
5
     1
           554
                                 762
6
    1
          554
                     -4 ORD
                                 719
7
          555
                     -5 FLL
                                 1065
8
    1
            557
                     -3 IAD
                                 229
9
            557
                     -3 MCO
                                  944
                     -2 ORD
            558
10
     1
                                  733
# ... with 336,766 more rows
```

Select anything related to delays

```
> select(flights, ends_with("delay"))
# A tibble: 336,776 x 2
  dep_delay arr_delay
      <dbl>
         2
 1
                 11
 2
          4
                   20
 3
          2
                   33
 4
         -1
                  -18
 5
         -6
 6
         -4
                  12
         -5
                   19
 8
         -3
                  -14
9
         -3
                   -8
10
         -2
                   8
# ... with 336,766 more rows
```

3.5 Add New Variables with mutate()

Add new variables gain (think about why?)

New added variable can be used

3.6 Summarize variables with summarize()

This and the next subsections will cover

- 1. Summarize data via summarize()
- 2. summarize() together with group by()
- 3. Combining multiple operations with the pipe: %>%
- 4. Treating of missing values

5. Grouping by multiple variables

summarize() collapses a data frame to a single row

$summarize() \ {\rm is \ useful \ togather \ with } \ group_by()$

3.7 Operations with the pipe %>%

Combining multiple operations with the pipe: %>%

Imagine that we want to explore the relationship between the distance and average delay for each location. you might write code like this:

```
> by_dest <- group_by(flights, dest)
> delay <- summarize(by_dest,
+ count = n(),
+ dist = mean(distance, na.rm = TRUE),
+ delay = mean(arr_delay, na.rm = TRUE) )
> delay <- filter(delay, count > 20, dest != "HNL")
```

There are three steps to prepare this data:

- 1. Group flights by destination.
- 2. Summarize to compute distance, average delay, and number of flights.
- 3. Filter to remove noisy points and Honolulu airport, which is almost twice as far away as the next closest airport.

It is frustrating, because we have to give each intermediate data frame a name, even though we don't care about it.

The pipe operator: %>%

The pipe operator (%>%) allows us to chain together dplyr data wrangling functions. The pipe operator can be read as "then":

```
group_by(dest) then ▷ summarize then ▷ filter
```

And then you can employ delays to display or model.

```
> delays <- flights %>%
+ group_by(dest) %>%
+ summarize(
+ count = n(),
+ dist = mean(distance, na.rm = TRUE),
+ delay = mean(arr_delay, na.rm = TRUE)
+ ) %>%
+ filter(count > 20, dest != "HNL")
```

Missing values?

Too much NA, missing values!

```
> flights %>%
   group_by(year, month, day) %>%
   summarize(mean = mean(dep_delay))
# A tibble: 365 x 4
# Groups: year, month [12]
   year month day mean
   <int> <int> <int> <dbl>
 1 2013 1 1 NA
 2 2013 1 2 NA
3 2013 1 3 NA
4 2013 1 4 NA
5 2013 1 5 NA
6 2013 1 6 NA
7 2013 1 7 NA
8 2013
          1 8
1 9
                      NA
9 2013 1 9 NA
10 2013 1 10 NA
# ... with 355 more rows
```

Missing values? add "na.rm = TRUE"

Removing the cancelled flights

You can remove the cancelled flights by first, and save this dataset so we can reuse it.

```
> not_cancelled <- flights %>%
+ filter(!is.na(dep_delay), !is.na(arr_delay))
```

Summarize the *not_cancelled* data.

How many flights left before 5am?

These usually indicate delayed flights from the previous day.

What proportion are delayed by more than an hour?

Grouping by Multiple Variables: per_day

```
> daily <- group_by(flights, year, month, day)
> (per_day <- summarize(daily, flights = n()))

# A tibble: 365 x 4

# Groups: year, month [12]
    year month day flights
    <int> <int> <int> <int>
1 2013 1 1 842
2 2013 1 2 943
3 2013 1 3 914
```

```
4 2013 1 4
                 915
5 2013 1 5
                 720
6 2013 1 6
                 832
7 2013 1
            7
                 933
8 2013 1
9 2013 1
            8
                 899
          9
                 902
10 2013 1 10
                 932
# ... with 355 more rows
```

Grouping by Multiple Variables: per_month

Grouped Mutates and Filters

Grouping is most useful in conjunction with summarize(), but you can also do convenient operations with mutate() and filter().

Find all groups bigger than a threshold

Standardize to compute per group metrics

4 Data Tidy with tidyr

Aims

This section will cover:

- 1. Tibbles with tibble
- 2. Import Data with readr
- 3. Tidy data with tidyr
 - (a) What is tidy data?
 - (b) A modern data frame of tibble
 - (c) Tidy data with tidyr

4.1 Tibbles with tibble

Creating Tibbles

Tibbles are data frames, but they tweak some older behaviors to make life a little easier.

as_tibble(): change a data frame to a tibble, e.g. as_tibble(iris)

tibble(): create a new tibble from individual vectors

tribble(): is customized for data entry in code: column headings are defined by formulas (i.e., they start with ~), and entries are separated by commas.

tibble()

tribble()

```
> tribble(
+ ~x, ~y, ~z,
+ #--/--/---
+ "a", 2, 3.6,
+ "b", 1, 8.5
+ )

# A tibble: 2 x 3
    x     y     z
    <chr> <dbl> <dbl> 1
    a     2     3.6
    b     1     8.5
```

Main differences in tibble versus a classic data.frame

There are two main differences in the usage of a tibble versus a classic data.frame:

- ▷ printing: shows only the first 10 rows, and all the columns that fit on screen.
- ▷ and subsetting: to pull out a single variable, \$ and [["name"]] or [[position]].

Extract from tibble

```
> df <- tibble( x = runif(5), y = rnorm(5) )
> # Extract by name
> df$x

[1] 0.3830567 0.3180658 0.7901315 0.8191459 0.2007465
> df[["x"]]

[1] 0.3830567 0.3180658 0.7901315 0.8191459 0.2007465
> # Extract by position
> df[[1]]

[1] 0.3830567 0.3180658 0.7901315 0.8191459 0.2007465
```

4.2 Import Data with readr

readr's functions

- $ightharpoonup read_csv()$ reads comma-delimited files, $read_tsv()$ reads tab-delimited files, and $read_delim()$ reads in files with any delimiter.
- $ightharpoonup read_fwf()$ reads fixed-width files. You can specify fields either by their widths with $fwf_widths()$ or their position with $fwf_positions()$.
- > read_table() reads a common variation of fixed-width files where columns are separated by white space.

Compared to base R

why we prefer to use $read_csv()$ rather than read.csv()?

- \triangleright They are typically much faster (~10x) than their base equivalents.
- > They produce tibbles, and they don't convert character vectors to factors, use row names, or munge the column names.
- > They are more reproducible. Base R functions inherit some behavior from your operating system and environment variables.

Writing to a File

readr also comes with two useful functions for writing data back to disk:

```
▷ write_csv()
▷ write tsv()
```

Export a CSV file to Excel: write_excel_csv()

4.3 Tidy Data with tidyr

What is tidy data?

What is a dataset?

- ▷ A dataset is a collection of values, usually either numbers (if quantitative) or strings AKA text data (if qualitative).
- \triangleright Values are organised in two ways.
 - Every value belongs to a variable and an observation.
- ▷ A *variable* contains all values that measure the same underlying attribute (like height, temperature, duration) across units.
- ▷ An observation contains all values measured on the same unit (like a person, or a day, or a city) across attributes.

An example

A dataset includes the same values of four variables *country*, *year*, *population*, and *cases*, but organized in a different way:

```
▷ table1
▷ table2
▷ table3
▷ table4a (cases )
▷ table4b (population)
```

table1

```
> table1
# A tibble: 6 x 4
 country year cases population
 <chr>
           <int> <int>
                           <int>
1 Afghanistan 1999
                    745
                          19987071
                  2666
                         20595360
2 Afghanistan 2000
3 Brazil
             1999 37737 172006362
4 Brazil
             2000 80488 174504898
5 China
             1999 212258 1272915272
6 China
         2000 213766 1280428583
```

table2

table3

table4a (cases)

table4b (population)

```
1 Afghanistan 19987071 20595360
2 Brazil 172006362 174504898
3 China 1272915272 1280428583
```

In this example, only "table1" is tidy.

What is tidy data?

There are three interrelated rules which make a dataset tidy:

- 1. Each variable must have its own column.
- 2. Each observation must have its own row.
- 3. Each value must have its own cell.

Practical instructions:

- 1. Put each dataset in a tibble.
- 2. Put each variable in a column.

Why ensure that your data is tidy?

There are two main advantages:

- 1. There's a general advantage to picking one consistent way of storing data. If you have a consistent data structure, it's easier to learn the tools that work with it because they have an underlying uniformity.
- 2. There's a specific advantage to placing variables in columns because it allows R's vectorised nature to shine.

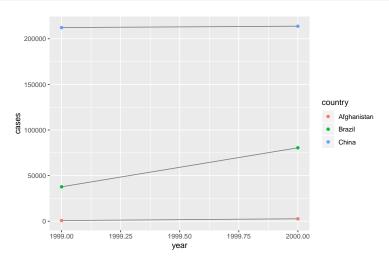
dplyr, ggplot2, and all the other packages in the tidyverse are designed to work with tidy data.

Compute rate per 10,000

Compute cases per year

Visualise changes over time

```
> ggplot(table1, aes(year, cases)) +
+   geom_line(aes(group = country), colour = "grey50") +
+   geom_point(aes(colour = country))
```



Tidy data with tidyr

How to tidy a dataset?

- > The first step is always to figure out what the variables and observations are.
- $\,\rhd\,$ The second step is to resolve one of two common problems:
 - One variable might be spread across multiple columns.
 - One observation might be scattered across multiple rows.
- > Most important functions in **tidyr**:
 - gather() and spread()
 - separate() and unite()

Untidy: column names are not names of variables

A common problem is a dataset where some of the column names are not names of variables, but values of a variable.

To tidy a dataset like this, we need to *gather* those columns into a new pair of variables.

gather() to "year" and "cases"

- \triangleright The name of the variable whose values form the column names. It is called the **key**, here it is *year*.
- ▷ The name of the variable whose values are spread over the cells. It is called the value, here is the number of cases.

table4b: gather() to "year" and "population"

Combine two tidy tible into one: left_join()

Spreading

Spreading is the opposite of gathering, used when an observation is scattered across multiple rows.

table2: an observation is a country in a year, but each observation is spread across two rows.

Tidy up using spread()

table3: the rate column contains two variables

separate()

separate() pulls apart one column into multiple columns, by splitting wherever a separator character appears.

separate(), by sep argument

It should be noticed that cases and population are *character*.

separate(): convert the variable type to numeric

How to unite the *century* and *year* columns?

unite()...but with underscore (_)

unite() is the inverse of separate(): it combines multiple columns into a single column.

We don't want the underscore (_)

```
> table5 %>%
+ unite(new, century, year, sep = "")
# A tibble: 6 x 3
country new rate
```

Tidy missing values

Missing values

A value can be missing in one of two possible ways:

- ▷ Explicitly, i.e., flagged with NA.
- ▷ Implicitly, i.e., simply not present in the data.

```
> stocks <- tibble(
+  year = c(2015, 2015, 2015, 2016, 2016, 2016),
+  qtr = c( 1,  2,  3,  4,  2,  3,  4),
+  return=c(1.88, 0.59, 0.35,  NA, 0.92, 0.17, 2.66)
+ )</pre>
```

Tidy missing data with complete()

An important tool for making missing values explicit in tidy data is *complete()*.

Make missing values explicit: change a represent way

The way that a dataset is represented can make implicit values explicit.

```
> stocks %>%
+ spread(year, return)

# A tibble: 4 x 3
    qtr '2015' '2016'
    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
```

```
1 1 1.88 NA
2 2 0.59 0.92
3 3 0.35 0.17
4 4 NA 2.66
```

Fill in missing values with fill()

Fill in missing values with fill()

You can fill in these missing values with fill(). It takes a set of columns where you want missing values to be replaced by the most recent nonmissing value.

5 Descriptive Statistics

Descriptive Statistics

Numerical summaries of the population are called **parameters**, while numerical summaries of the sample are called **statistics**.

- - mean, median, mode, quantiles,
- - range, interquartile-range(IQR), variance, standard-deviation(sd), The Median Absolute Deviation (MAD)
- - skewness, kurtosis

5.1 Summary Measures of Location

R functions for location

```
▷ Population mean: \mu
▷ Sample mean: \bar{x}
▷ R functions: mean(x), median(x), mode(x)
▷ Quantiles: the x_p is called a p-quantile of a distribution, if P(X \le x_p) \ge p and P(X \ge x_p) \le 1 - p
• for continuous r.v., P(X \le x_p) = p
▷ quantile(x, probs=c(0.25, 0.5, 0.75)): Q_1, Q_2, Q_3
```

mpg data

```
> mean(mpg$hwy)
[1] 23.44017
> median(mpg$hwy)
[1] 24
> quantile(mpg$hwy,probs=c(0.25,0.5,0.75))
25% 50% 75%
18 24 27
```

flights data

```
8 2013 1 8 -3.23 20.8

9 2013 1 9 -0.264 25.6

10 2013 1 10 -5.90 27.3

# ... with 355 more rows
```

5.2 Summary Measures of Spread

functions

 \triangleright range(x): returns the smallest and largest values in x

 \triangleright IQR(x): Interquartile Range, IQR= Q3 - Q1

 $\triangleright \text{ var}(\mathbf{x}): s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$

 $ightharpoonup \operatorname{sd}(\mathbf{x})$: $s = \sqrt{s^2}$

 \triangleright Sample Coefficient of Variation: $CV = S/\bar{X}$

ightharpoonup Relative Standard Deviation: $RSD = |S/\bar{X}| \times 100$

▷ The Median Absolute Deviation (MAD): is a robust measure of spread, often used when the median is reported to describe the center of a *skewed data set*.

$$MAD = \text{median}\{|x_i - m|\}$$

where m is the median of x.

mpg data

```
> IQR(mpg$hwy)
[1] 9
> var(mpg$hwy)
[1] 35.45778
> sd(mpg$hwy)
[1] 5.954643
> mad(mpg$hwy)
[1] 7.413
```

flights data

```
> not_cancelled %>%
      group_by(dest) %>%
        summarize(
               distance_sd = sd(distance),
                distance_var = var(distance)
         ) %>%
         arrange(desc(distance_sd))
# A tibble: 104 x 3
  dest distance_sd distance_var
  <chr>
             <dbl>
1 EGE
             10.5
                         111.
 2 SAN
            10.4
                        107.
 3 SFO
            10.2
                         104.
 4 HNL
            10.0
                         100.
 5 SEA
              9.98
                          99.6
6 LAS
             9.91
                          98.2
7 PDX
             9.87
                          97.5
8 PHX
                          97.3
              9.86
9 LAX
              9.66
                          93.3
10 IND
              9.46
                          89.5
# ... with 94 more rows
```

5.3 Summary Measures of Shape

Skewness

The base R doesn't provide functions for skew and kurtosis.

Skewness is a measure of the asymmetry of the probability distribution of a real-valued random variable about its mean.

▷ Pearson's moment coefficient of skewness

$$\operatorname{Skew}_p = E\left[\left(\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma}\right)\right]^3$$

 \triangleright Sample skewness

$$Skew_S = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{s} \right)^3$$

Or

Skew_S =
$$\frac{n^2}{(n-1)(n-2)} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{s}\right)^3$$

where s^2 is the observed sample variance.

Kurtosis

▷ **Kurtosis** is a measure of the "tailedness" of the probability distribution of a real-valued random variable.

$$\operatorname{Kurt}_p = E\left[\left(\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma}\right)\right]^4$$

$$Kurt_S = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{s} \right)^4$$

ightharpoonup The $excess\ kurtosis = Kurt$ - 3 (Kurt=3 for Normal)

mpg data

```
> library(moments)
> skewness(mpg$hwy,na.rm = TRUE)

[1] 0.366865
> kurtosis(mpg$hwy,na.rm = TRUE)

[1] 3.163929
```

Descriptive Statistics via summarize()

```
> library(moments)
> mpg %>%
+ summarize(
+ mean = mean(hwy),
+ sd = sd(hwy),
+ skew = skewness(hwy, na.rm = FALSE),
+ kurt = kurtosis(hwy, na.rm = FALSE)
+ )

# A tibble: 1 x 4
mean sd skew kurt
<dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 1 23.4 5.95 0.367 3.16
```

Descriptive Statistics via Own-written Function

```
> dec_stats<-function(x,na.omit=FALSE){
+    if(na.omit)
+        x<-x[!is.na(x)]
+    m<-mean(x)
+    n<-length(x)
+    s<-sd(x)</pre>
```

```
+ skew<-sum((x-m)^3/s^3)/n
+ kurt<-sum((x-m)^4/s^4)/n - 3
+ return(c(n=n,mean=m,stdev=s,skew=skew,kurtosis=kurt))
+ }
> round(dec_stats(mpg$hwy),3)

n mean stdev skew kurtosis
234.000 23.440 5.955 0.365 0.137
```

Recap

- 1. Data Structure
 - > vector, matrix, array, data frame, factor, list
- 2. Data visualisation with ggplot2
- 3. Data Tranformation with dplyr
 - \triangleright filter, arrange, select, mutate, summarize, group_by.
- 4. Data Wrangle
 - (a) Tibbles with tibble
 - (b) Import Data with readr
 - (c) Tidy data with tidyr
 - i. What is tidy data?
 - ii. Tidy data with tidyr
 - iii. Tidy missing values
- 5. Descriptive Statistics

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