

R for Absolute Beginners and Aspiring Data Scientists

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THE BI & BIG DATA NETWORK

SUMMAVIEW
TEAM BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE

 Directing Data
DATADOGS

 **DataScenarios**
Connecting data to insights

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Literate Programming - Notebooks

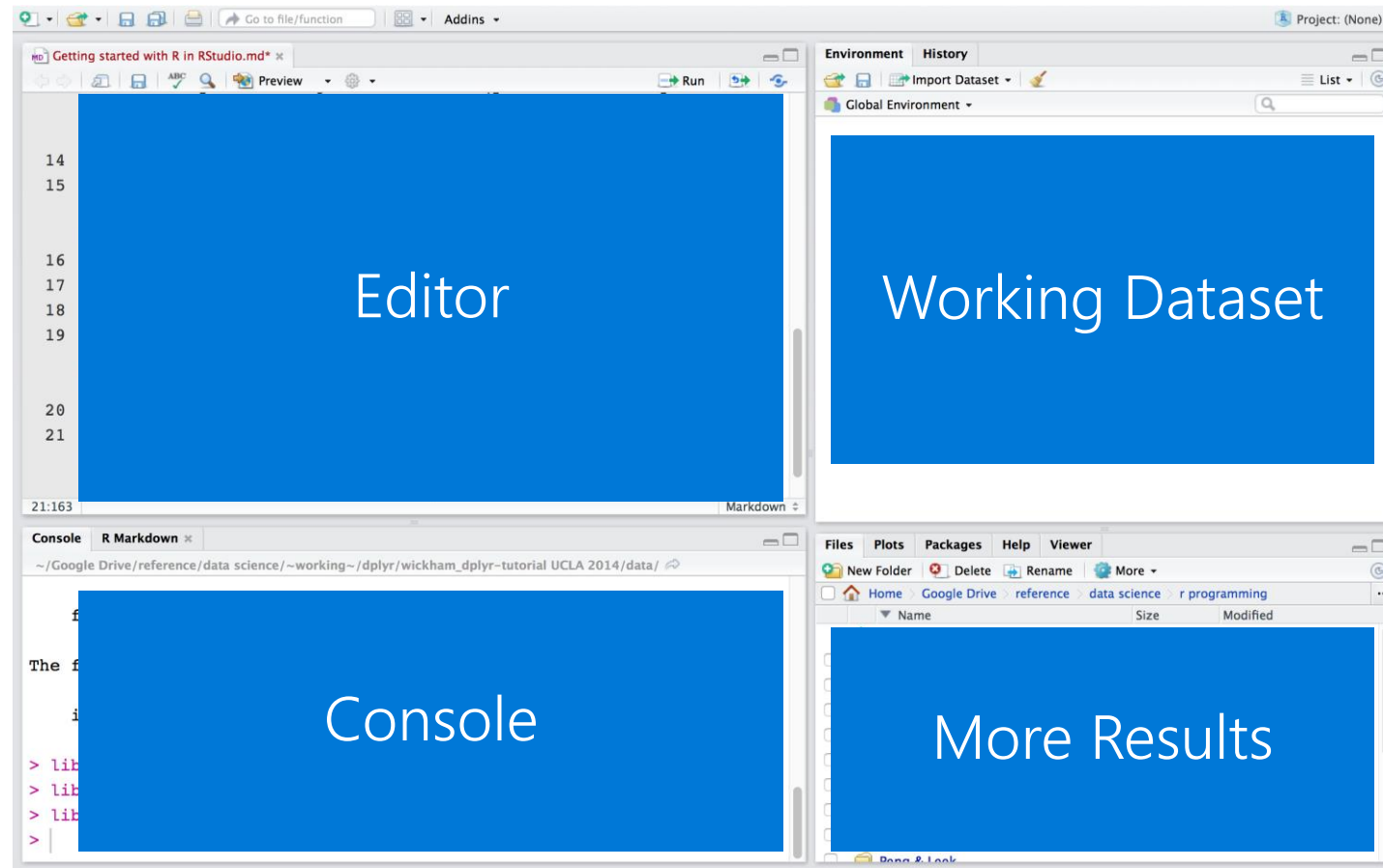
- Notebooks combine code, results and documentation to identify what the code is doing
- It forms a train of thought
- It also produces reports for your team-mates

Literate Programming - Notebooks



- Chunks are executed independently and interactively
- Output appears in the gutter below

RStudio



Tidy Data



Tidy code is easier to write, read, maintain and frequently even faster than the base R counterparts.
It is also easier to learn.
So here we are!

Tidy Data



- Tidy Data is a standard approach to structure datasets
- Good for Data Analysis and Data Visualization
- Variables make up the columns
- Observations make up the rows
- Values go into cells

Tidy Data



- A Variable is a measurement
- Also known as:
 - Independent or dependent variables
 - Features – this is Microsoft's terminology
 - Predictors – (machine learning background)
 - Outcomes – (social sciences background)
 - The Response (if you have a statistics background)
 - Attributes (if you have a dimensional modelling background)

Tidy Data



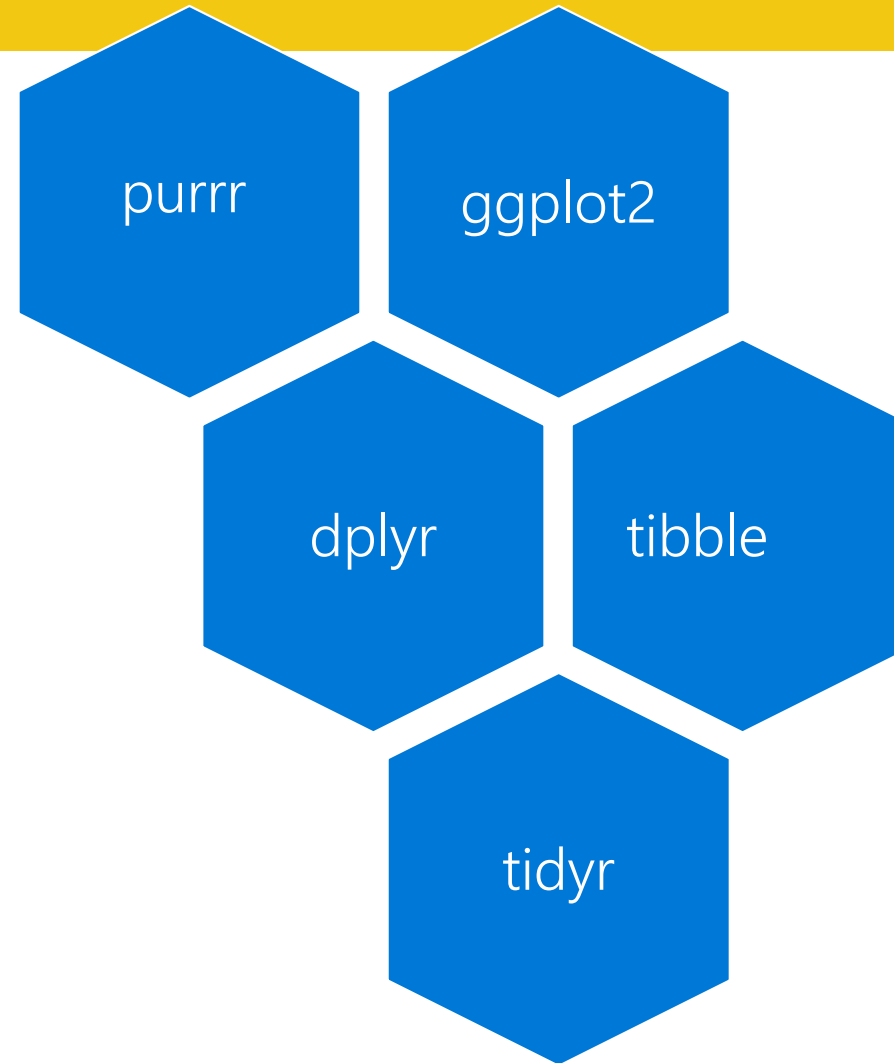
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- Derived Variables
 - Think of a calculated column in DAX or SQL

Tidyverse

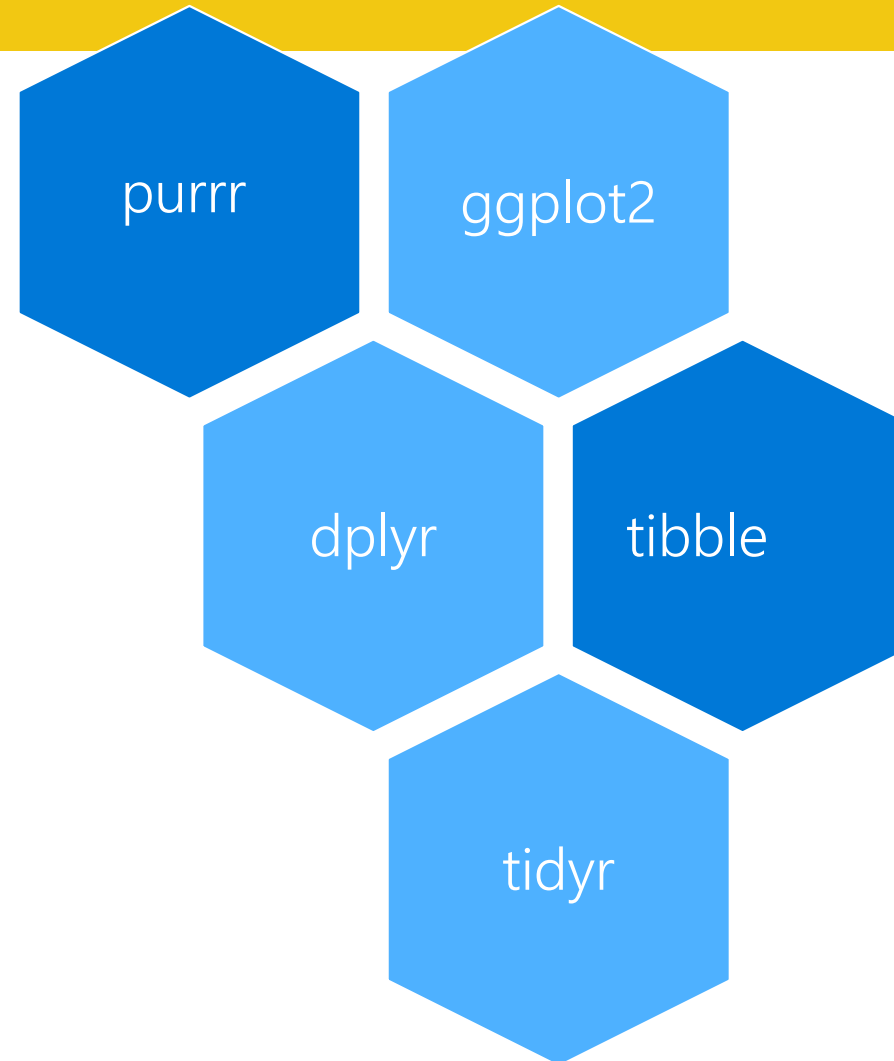


Core Packages	Data Manipulation	Data Import	Modelling
ggplot2	hms	DBI	modelr
dplyr	stringr	haven	broom
tidyr	lubridate	httr	
readr	forcats	jsonlite	
purrr		readxl	
tibble		xml2	

Tidyverse Core Packages



What we will cover today...



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R Syntax Comparison : : CHEAT SHEET

Dollar sign syntax

goal(data\$x, data\$y)

SUMMARY STATISTICS:

one continuous variable:

```
mean(mtcars$mpg)
```

one categorical variable:

```
table(mtcars$cyl)
```

two categorical variables:

```
table(mtcars$cyl, mtcars$am)
```

one continuous, one categorical:

```
mean(mtcars$mpg[mtcars$cyl==4])
```

```
mean(mtcars$mpg[mtcars$cyl==6])
```

```
mean(mtcars$mpg[mtcars$cyl==8])
```

PLOTTING:

one continuous variable:

```
hist(mtcars$disp)
```

```
boxplot(mtcars$disp)
```

one categorical variable:

```
barplot(table(mtcars$cyl))
```

two continuous variables:

```
plot(mtcars$disp, mtcars$mpg)
```

two categorical variables:

```
mosaicplot(table(mtcars$am, mtcars$cyl))
```

one continuous, one categorical:

```
histogram(mtcars$disp[mtcars$cyl==4])
```

```
histogram(mtcars$disp[mtcars$cyl==6])
```

```
histogram(mtcars$disp[mtcars$cyl==8])
```

```
boxplot(mtcars$disp[mtcars$cyl==4])
```

```
boxplot(mtcars$disp[mtcars$cyl==6])
```

```
boxplot(mtcars$disp[mtcars$cyl==8])
```

WRANGLING:

subsetting:

```
mtcars[mtcars$mpg>30, ]
```

making a new variable:

```
mtcars$efficient[mtcars$mpg>30] <- TRUE
```

```
mtcars$efficient[mtcars$mpg<30] <- FALSE
```



SMITH COLLEGE

Formula syntax

goal(y~x|z, data=data, group=w)

SUMMARY STATISTICS:

one continuous variable:

```
mosaic::mean(~mpg, data=mtcars)
```

one categorical variable:

```
mosaic::tally(~cyl, data=mtcars)
```

two categorical variables:

```
mosaic::tally(cyl~am, data=mtcars)
```

one continuous, one categorical:

```
mosaic::mean(mpg~cyl, data=mtcars)
```

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PLOTTING:

one continuous variable:

```
lattice::histogram(~disp, data=mtcars)
```

```
lattice::bwplot(~disp, data=mtcars)
```

one categorical variable:

```
mosaic::bargraph(~cyl, data=mtcars)
```

two continuous variables:

```
lattice::xyplot(mpg~disp, data=mtcars)
```

two categorical variables:

```
mosaic::bargraph(~am, data=mtcars, group=cyl)
```

one continuous, one categorical:

```
lattice::histogram(~disp|cyl, data=mtcars)
```

```
lattice::bwplot(cyl~disp, data=mtcars)
```

The variety of R syntaxes give you many ways to “say” the same thing

read across the cheatsheet to see how different syntaxes approach the same problem

Tidyverse syntax

data %>% goal(x)

SUMMARY STATISTICS:

one continuous variable:

```
mtcars %>% dplyr::summarize(mean(mpg))
```

one categorical variable:

```
mtcars %>% dplyr::group_by(cyl) %>%
```

```
dplyr::summarize(n())
```

the pipe

two categorical variables:

```
mtcars %>% dplyr::group_by(cyl, am) %>%
```

```
dplyr::summarize(n())
```

one continuous, one categorical:

```
mtcars %>% dplyr::group_by(cyl) %>%
```

```
dplyr::summarize(mean(mpg))
```

PLOTTING:

one continuous variable:

```
ggplot2::qplot(x=mpg, data=mtcars, geom="histogram")
```

```
ggplot2::qplot(y=disp, x=1, data=mtcars, geom="boxplot")
```

one categorical variable:

```
ggplot2::qplot(x=cyl, data=mtcars, geom="bar")
```

two continuous variables:

```
ggplot2::qplot(x=disp, y=mpg, data=mtcars, geom="point")
```

two categorical variables:

```
ggplot2::qplot(x=factor(cyl), data=mtcars, geom="bar") +
```

```
facet_grid(~am)
```

one continuous, one categorical:

```
ggplot2::qplot(x=disp, data=mtcars, geom="histogram") +
```

```
facet_grid(~cyl)
```

```
ggplot2::qplot(y=disp, x=factor(cyl), data=mtcars,
```

```
geom="boxplot")
```

WRANGLING:

subsetting:

```
mtcars %>% dplyr::filter(mpg>30)
```

making a new variable:

```
mtcars <- mtcars %>%
```

```
dplyr::mutate(efficient = if_else(mpg>30, TRUE, FALSE))
```

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Tidy Data

<http://readr.tidyverse.org>

Data Import :: CHEAT SHEET

R's **tidyverse** is built around **tidy data** stored in **tibbles**, which are enhanced data frames.



The front side of this sheet shows how to read text files into R with **readr**.



The reverse side shows how to create tibbles with **tibble** and to layout tidy data with **tidyr**.

OTHER TYPES OF DATA

Try one of the following packages to import other types of files

- **haven** - SPSS, Stata, and SAS files
- **readxl** - excel files (.xls and .xlsx)
- **DBI** - databases
- **jsonlite** - json
- **xml2** - XML
- **httr** - Web APIs
- **rvest** - HTML (Web Scraping)

Save Data

Save **x**, an R object, to **path**, a file path, as:

Comma delimited file
`write_csv(x, path, na = "NA", append = FALSE, col_names = !append)`

File with arbitrary delimiter
`write_delim(x, path, delim = " ", na = "NA", append = FALSE, col_names = !append)`

CSV for excel
`write_excel_csv(x, path, na = "NA", append = FALSE, col_names = !append)`

String to file
`write_file(x, path, append = FALSE)`

String vector to file, one element per line
`write_lines(x, path, na = "NA", append = FALSE)`

Object to RDS file
`write_rds(x, path, compress = c("none", "gz", "bz2", "xz"), ...)`

Tab delimited files
`write_tsv(x, path, na = "NA", append = FALSE, col_names = !append)`



Read Tabular Data - These functions share the common arguments:

```
read_* (file, col_names = TRUE, col_types = NULL, locale = default_locale(), na = c("", "NA"),
quoted_na = TRUE, comment = "", trim_ws = TRUE, skip = 0, n_max = Inf, guess_max = min(1000,
n_max), progress = interactive())
```

a,b,c
1,2,3
4,5,NA

A	B	C
1	2	3
4	5	NA

Comma Delimited Files

`read_csv("file.csv")`

To make file.csv run:

`write_file(x = "a,b,c\n1,2,3\n4,5,NA", path = "file.csv")`

a;b;c
1;2;3
4;5;NA

A	B	C
1	2	3
4	5	NA

Semi-colon Delimited Files

`read_csv2("file2.csv")`

`write_file(x = "a;b;c\n1;2;3\n4;5;NA", path = "file2.csv")`

a|b|c
1|2|3
4|5|NA

A	B	C
1	2	3
4	5	NA

Files with Any Delimiter

`read_delim("file.txt", delim = "|")`

`write_file(x = "a|b|c\n1|2|3\n4|5|NA", path = "file.txt")`

Fixed Width Files

`read_fwf("file.fwf", col_positions = c(1, 3, 5))`

`write_file(x = "a b c\n1 2 3\n4 5 NA", path = "file.fwf")`

Tab Delimited Files

`read_tsv("file.tsv")` Also `read_table()`.

`write_file(x = "a\tb\tc\n1\t2\t3\n4\t5\tNA", path = "file.tsv")`

USEFUL ARGUMENTS

a,b,c
1,2,3
4,5,NA

Example file

`write_file("a,b,c\n1,2,3\n4,5,NA","file.csv")`
`f <- "file.csv"`

1	2	3
4	5	NA

Skip lines

`read_csv(f, skip = 1)`

A	B	C
1	2	3
4	5	NA

No header

`read_csv(f, col_names = FALSE)`

A	B	C
1	2	3

Read in a subset

`read_csv(f, n_max = 1)`

x	y	z
A	B	C
1	2	3
4	5	NA

Provide header

`read_csv(f, col_names = c("x", "y", "z"))`

A	B	C
NA	2	3
4	5	NA

Missing Values

`read_csv(f, na = c("1", ""))`

Read Non-Tabular Data

Read a file into a single string

`read_file(file, locale = default_locale())`

Read each line into its own string

`read_lines(file, skip = 0, n_max = -1L, na = character(), locale = default_locale(), progress = interactive())`

Read Apache style log files

`read_log(file, col_names = FALSE, col_types = NULL, skip = 0, n_max = -1, progress = interactive())`

Read a file into a raw vector

`read_file_raw(file)`

Read each line into a raw vector

`read_lines_raw(file, skip = 0, n_max = -1L, progress = interactive())`

Data types

readr functions guess the types of each column and convert types when appropriate (but will NOT convert strings to factors automatically).

A message shows the type of each column in the result.

```
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   age = col_integer(),
##   sex = col_character(),
##   earn = col_double()
## )
```

age is an integer
sex is a character
earn is a double (numeric)

1. Use **problems()** to diagnose problems

`x <- read_csv("file.csv"); problems(x)`

2. Use a **col_** function to guide parsing

- `col_guess()` - the default
- `col_character()`
- `col_double()`, `col_euro_double()`
- `col_datetime(format = "")` Also `col_date(format = "")`, `col_time(format = "")`
- `col_factor(levels, ordered = FALSE)`
- `col_integer()`
- `col_logical()`
- `col_number()`, `col_numeric()`
- `col_skip()`

```
x <- read_csv("file.csv", col_types = cols(
  A = col_double(),
  B = col_logical(),
  C = col_factor()))
```

3. Else, read in as character vectors then parse with a **parse_** function.

- `parse_guess()`
- `parse_character()`
- `parse_datetime()` Also `parse_date()` and `parse_time()`
- `parse_double()`
- `parse_factor()`
- `parse_integer()`
- `parse_logical()`
- `parse_number()`

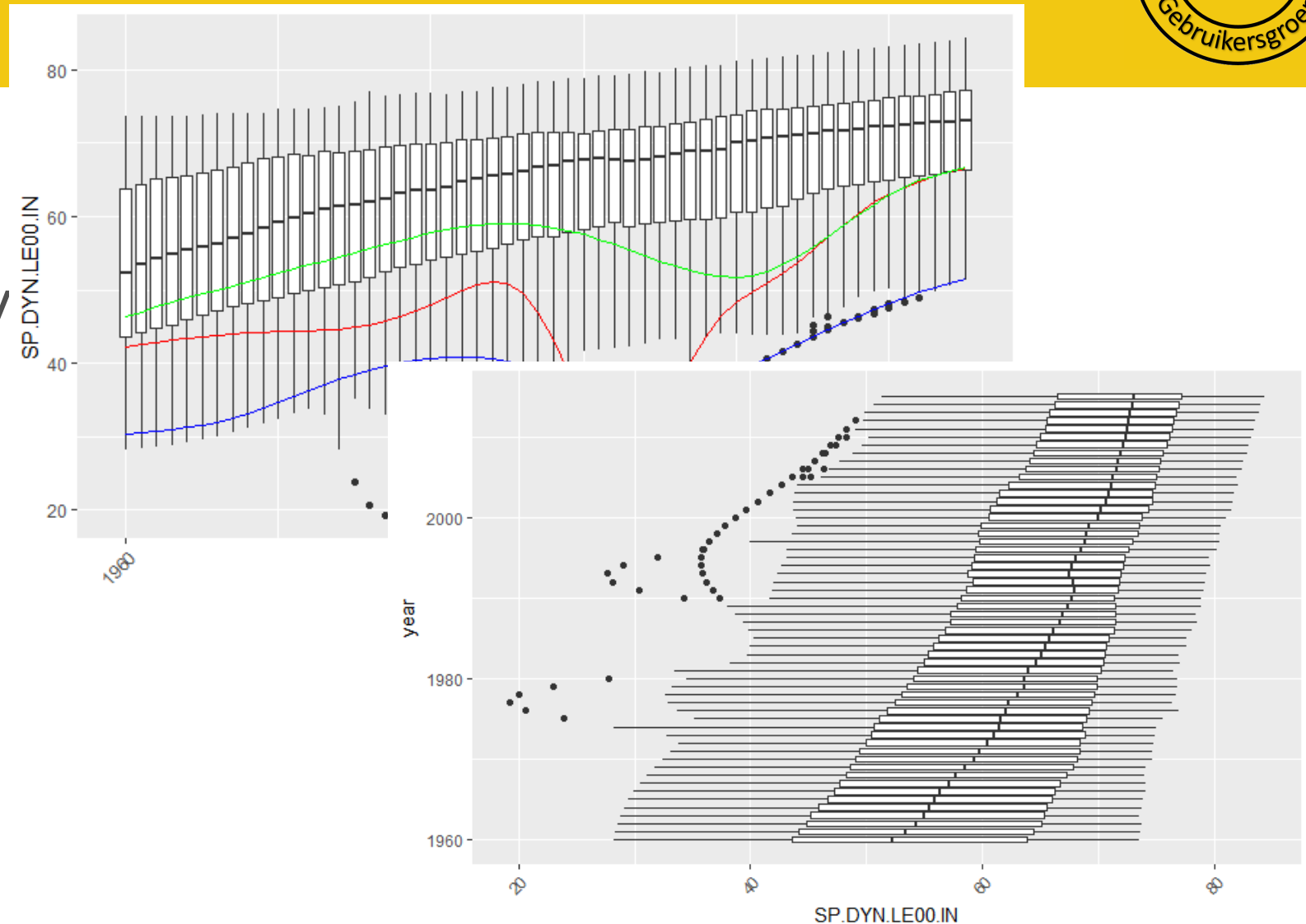
`x$A <- parse_number(x$A)`



Tidy Data



We can compare the life expectancy of different countries in order to understand the 'WHY' of the data.



readr



- Ingests data from different sources
- There are lots of options to work with the file
 - Headers
 - Limiters
 - <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/readr/readr.pdf> for more information

- Easy data manipulation
- Built for data frames
- There are equivalents in SQL
- Written in C++ so it's faster

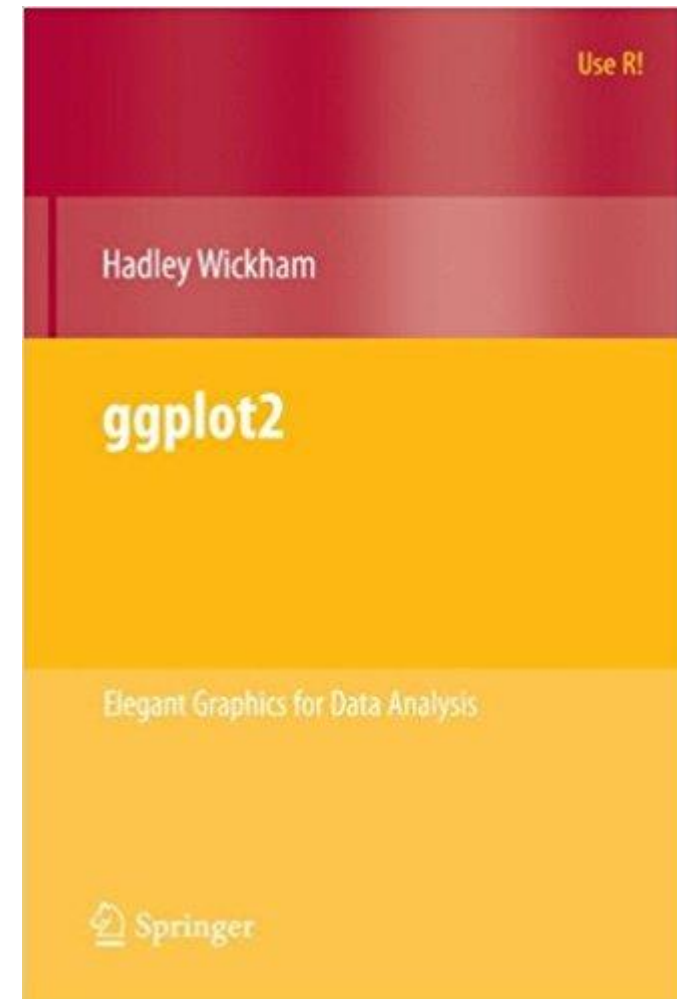
- 6 verbs for data manipulation
 - Select
 - Filter
 - Mutate
 - group_by
 - Summarize
 - Tally
- There are equivalents in SQL

dplyr	SQL
SELECT	SELECT
FILTER	WHERE
MUTATE	Creating a calculation in the select statement
GROUP BY	GROUP BY
Summarize	SUM(), AVG() etc with GROUP BY

ggplot2



- ggplot2 is a plotting system for R
- It aims to take the good parts of base R graphics and none of the bad parts



Limitations of Running R in Power BI

- Only data frames are imported
 - In our example, we connect to the World Bank directly
- Complex and Vector columns are not imported
 - They are replaced with errors
- Time Limit
 - 30 minute limit. Why not use Microsoft ML Server instead to do the analytics piece, and serve the data to Power BI?
- Identify a full path to the R Working Directory
 - Not a Relative path

Bedankt!

Vergeet niet de evaluatie in te vullen!
Scan de QR code.



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