

Introduction to the Tidyverse How to be a tidy data scientist

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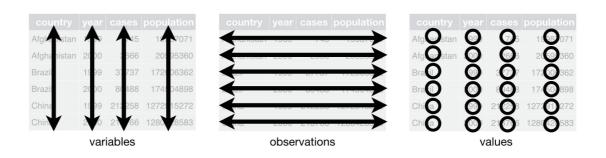
Tidyverse

- Ordocosme in with *Tidy* for "bien rangé" and *verse* for "univers"
- A collection of R 📦 developed by H. Wickham and others at Rstudio



Tidyverse

- "A framework for managing data that aims at making the cleaning and preparing steps [muuuuuuuch] easier" (Julien Barnier).
- Main characteristics of a tidy dataset:
 - each variable is a column
 - each observation is a raw
 - each value is in a different cell



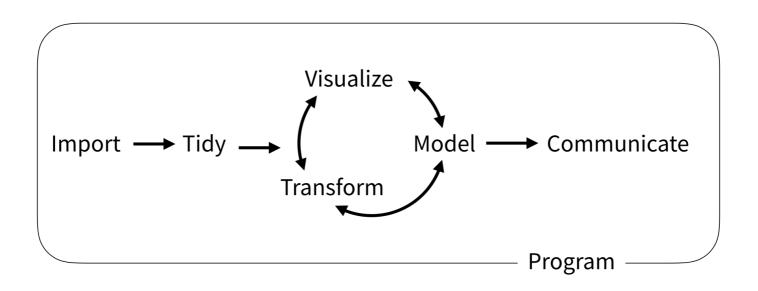
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- ggplot2 visualising stuff
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- purrr advanced programming
- readr import data
- tibble improved data.frame format
- forcats working w/ factors
- stringr working w/ chain of characters

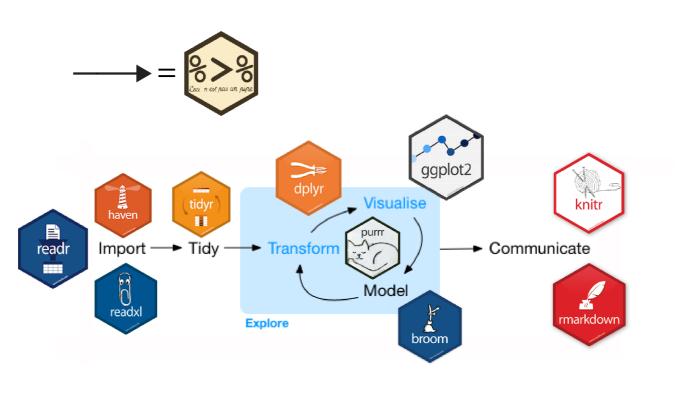
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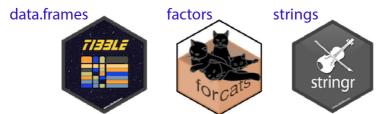
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Workflow in data science



Workflow in data science, with **Tidyverse**





Load tidyverse 📦



Case study:

Using Twitter to predict citation rates of ecological research



Import

Import data

readr::read_csv function:

- keeps input types as is (no conversion to factor)
- creates tibbles instead of data.frame
 - no names to rows
 - allows column names with special characters
 - more clever on screen display than w/ data.frames
 - no partial matching on column names
 - warning if attempt to access unexisting column
- is daaaaaamn fast 🚵

Import data

citations_raw <- read_csv('https://raw.githubusercontent.com/oliviergimenez/intr
citations_raw</pre>

```
## # A tibble: 1,599 x 12
     `Journal identi... `5-year journal... `Year published` Volume Issue Authors
                                                 <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
##
     <chr>
                                <dbl>
                                                  2014
                                                          17 12
## 1 Ecology Letters
                                 16.7
                                                                   Morin ...
                                                 2014
                                                          17 12
## 2 Ecology Letters
                                 16.7
                                                                   Jucker...
                                                 2014 17 12
## 3 Ecology Letters
                                 16.7
                                                                   Calcag...
                                                  2014 17 11
## 4 Ecology Letters
                                 16.7
                                                                   Segre ...
                                                  2014 17 11
## 5 Ecology Letters
                                                                   Kaufma...
                                 16.7
                                                  2014 17 10
## 6 Ecology Letters
                                 16.7
                                                                   Nasto ...
                                                 2014
## 7 Ecology Letters
                                 16.7
                                                         17 10
                                                                   Tschir...
                                                 2014
## 8 Ecology Letters
                                 16.7
                                                          17 9
                                                                   Barnec...
## 9 Ecology Letters
                                                 2014
                                 16.7
                                                          17 9
                                                                   Pinto-...
## 10 Ecology Letters
                                                          17 9
                                 16.7
                                                  2014
                                                                   Clough...
## # ... with 1,589 more rows, and 6 more variables: `Collection date` <chr>,
## # 'Publication date' <chr>, 'Number of tweets' <dbl>, 'Number of
      users' <dbl>, 'Twitter reach' <dbl>, 'Number of Web of Science
## # citations` <dbl>
```

Tidy, transform

Rename columns

```
journal impactfactor pubyear Volume Issue Authors colldate pubdate
##
     <chr>
                   <dbl>
                          <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <chr>
                                                           <chr>
                                            Morin ... 2/1/2016 9/16/2...
## 1 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014
                                   17 12
                  16.7 2014 17 12 Jucker... 2/1/2016 10/13/...
## 2 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014 17 12 Calcag... 2/1/2016 10/21/...
## 3 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014 17 11
## 4 Ecolog...
                                            Segre ... 2/1/2016 8/28/2...
                   16.7 2014 17 11
                                            Kaufma... 2/1/2016 8/28/2...
## 5 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014 17 10
                                            Nasto ... 2/2/2016 7/28/2...
## 6 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014 17 10 Tschir... 2/2/2016 8/6/20...
## 7 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014 17 9
## 8 Ecolog...
                                            Barnec... 2/2/2016 6/17/2...
                    16.7 2014 17 9 Pinto-... 2/2/2016 6/12/2...
## 9 Ecolog...
## 10 Ecolog...
                    16.7 2014
                                   17 9
                                            Clough... 2/2/2016 7/17/2...
## # ... with 1,589 more rows, and 4 more variables: nbtweets <dbl>, `Number of
      users' <dbl>, 'Twitter reach' <dbl>, woscitations <dbl>
```

Create (or modify) columns

```
citations <- mutate(citations_temp, journal = as.factor(journal))
citations</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 1,599 x 12
     journal impactfactor pubyear Volume Issue Authors colldate pubdate
                           <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <chr>
##
     <fct>
                   <dbl>
                                                             <chr>
                            2014
                                             Morin ... 2/1/2016 9/16/2...
  1 Ecolog...
                    16.7
                                    17 12
                    16.7 2014
                                    17 12
## 2 Ecolog...
                                             Jucker... 2/1/2016 10/13/...
                   16.7 2014
                                    17 12
## 3 Ecolog...
                                             Calcag... 2/1/2016 10/21/...
                   16.7 2014
                                    17 11
                                             Segre ... 2/1/2016 8/28/2...
## 4 Ecolog...
                           2014
                   16.7
                                    17 11
## 5 Ecolog...
                                             Kaufma... 2/1/2016 8/28/2...
                           2014
                                    17 10
## 6 Ecolog...
                   16.7
                                             Nasto ... 2/2/2016 7/28/2...
                           2014
## 7 Ecolog...
                   16.7
                                    17 10 Tschir... 2/2/2016 8/6/20...
                           2014
                                    17 9
                                             Barnec... 2/2/2016 6/17/2...
## 8 Ecolog...
                    16.7
                    16.7 2014
                                    17 9
## 9 Ecolog...
                                             Pinto-... 2/2/2016 6/12/2...
                    16.7
                            2014
                                    17 9
## 10 Ecolog...
                                             Clough... 2/2/2016 7/17/2...
## # ... with 1,589 more rows, and 4 more variables: nbtweets <dbl>, `Number of
      users' <dbl>, 'Twitter reach' <dbl>, woscitations <dbl>
```

Create (or modify) columns

levels(citations\$journal)

```
## [1] "Animal Conservation"
                                            "Conservation Letters"
## [3] "Diversity and Distributions"
                                            "Ecological Applications"
                                            "Ecology Letters"
## [5] "Ecology"
## [7] "Evolution"
                                            "Evolutionary Applications"
## [9] "Fish and Fisheries"
                                            "Functional Ecology"
## [11] "Global Change Biology"
                                            "Global Ecology and Biogeography"
## [13] "Journal of Animal Ecology"
                                            "Journal of Applied Ecology"
## [15] "Journal of Biogeography"
                                            "Limnology and Oceanography"
## [17] "Mammal Review"
                                            "Methods in Ecology and Evolution"
## [19] "Molecular Ecology Resources"
                                            "New Phytologist"
```

Give your code some air

Cleaner code with "pipe" operator %>%

```
citations_raw %>%
  rename(journal = 'Journal identity',
        impactfactor = '5-year journal impact factor',
        pubyear = 'Year published',
        colldate = 'Collection date',
        pubdate = 'Publication date',
        nbtweets = 'Number of tweets',
        woscitations = 'Number of Web of Science citations') %>%
    mutate(journal = as.factor(journal))
```

```
## # A tibble: 1,599 x 12
     journal impactfactor pubyear Volume Issue Authors colldate pubdate
##
     <fct>
                  <dbl>
                          <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <chr>
                                                           <chr>
                  16.7 2014
                                           Morin ... 2/1/2016 9/16/2...
## 1 Ecolog...
                                   17 12
                 16.7 2014 17 12 Jucker... 2/1/2016 10/13/...
## 2 Ecolog...
                16.7 2014 17 12 Calcag... 2/1/2016 10/21/...
## 3 Ecolog...
               16.7 2014 17 11
## 4 Ecolog...
                                           Segre ... 2/1/2016 8/28/2...
              16.7 2014 17 11
## 5 Ecolog...
                                           Kaufma... 2/1/2016 8/28/2...
                  16.7 2014 17 10
                                           Nasto ... 2/2/2016 7/28/2...
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                  16.7 2014 17 10 Tschir... 2/2/2016 8/6/20...
## 7 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014 17 9
## 8 Ecolog...
                                           Barnec... 2/2/2016 6/17/2...
                   16.7 2014 17 9 Pinto-... 2/2/2016 6/12/2...
## 9 Ecolog...
## 10 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014 17 9
                                           Clough... 2/2/2016 7/17/2...
## # ... with 1,589 more rows, and 4 more variables: nbtweets <dbl>, `Number of
      users' <dbl>, 'Twitter reach' <dbl>, woscitations <dbl>
```

Name object

```
citations <- citations_raw %>%
  rename(journal = 'Journal identity',
        impactfactor = '5-year journal impact factor',
        pubyear = 'Year published',
        colldate = 'Collection date',
        pubdate = 'Publication date',
        nbtweets = 'Number of tweets',
        woscitations = 'Number of Web of Science citations') %>%
    mutate(journal = as.factor(journal))
```

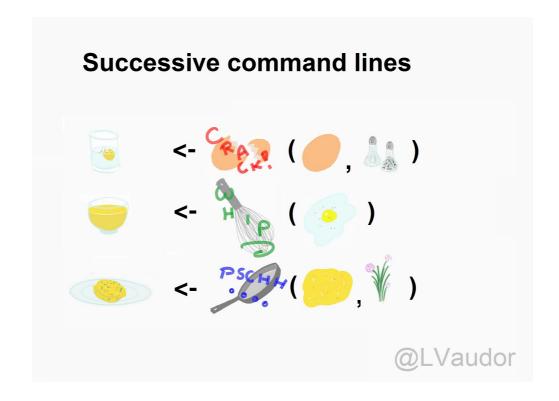
Syntax with pipe

- Verb(Subject,Complement) replaced by Subject %>% Verb(Complement)
- No need to name unimportant intermediate variables
- Clear syntax (readability)



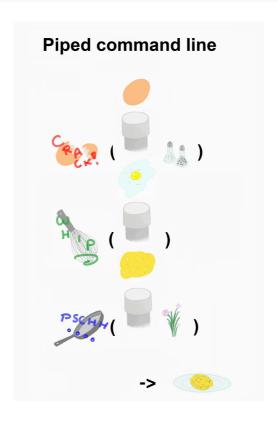
Base R from Lise Vaudor's blog

```
white_and_yolk <- crack(egg, add_seasoning)
omelette_batter <- beat(white_and_yolk)
omelette_with_chives <- cook(omelette_batter,add_chives)</pre>
```



Piping from Lise Vaudor's blog

```
egg %>%
  crack(add_seasoning) %>%
  beat() %>%
  cook(add_chives) -> omelette_with_chives
```



Tidy, transform

Select columns

```
citations %>%
  select(journal, impactfactor, nbtweets)
```

```
## # A tibble: 1,599 x 3
                     impactfactor nbtweets
##
     journal
     <fct>
                           <dbl>
                                    <dbl>
##
## 1 Ecology Letters
                            16.7
                                       18
## 2 Ecology Letters
                            16.7
                                       15
## 3 Ecology Letters
                            16.7
## 4 Ecology Letters
                            16.7
## 5 Ecology Letters
                            16.7
## 6 Ecology Letters
                            16.7
                                       27
## 7 Ecology Letters
                            16.7
                                        6
## 8 Ecology Letters
                            16.7
                                       19
## 9 Ecology Letters
                            16.7
                                       26
## 10 Ecology Letters
                            16.7
                                       44
## # ... with 1,589 more rows
```

Drop columns

woscitations <dbl>

#

```
citations %>%
   select(-Volume, -Issue, -Authors)
## # A tibble: 1,599 x 9
      journal impactfactor pubyear colldate pubdate nbtweets `Number of user...
##
                     <dbl>
                             <dbl> <chr>
##
      <fct>
                                             <chr>
                                                        <dbl>
                                                                          <dbl>
                      16.7
                            2014 2/1/2016 9/16/2...
   1 Ecolog...
                                                           18
                                                                             16
                      16.7 2014 2/1/2016 10/13/...
##
   2 Ecolog...
                                                           15
                                                                             12
                      16.7 2014 2/1/2016 10/21/...
   3 Ecolog...
                                                            5
##
                      16.7 2014 2/1/2016 8/28/2...
## 4 Ecolog...
                                                                              8
                      16.7 2014 2/1/2016 8/28/2...
                                                                              3
## 5 Ecolog...
## 6 Ecolog...
                      16.7 2014 2/2/2016 7/28/2...
                                                           27
                                                                             23
## 7 Ecolog...
                      16.7 2014 2/2/2016 8/6/20...
                                                            6
                                                                              6
                      16.7 2014 2/2/2016 6/17/2...
## 8 Ecolog...
                                                           19
                                                                             18
                      16.7 2014 2/2/2016 6/12/2...
   9 Ecolog...
                                                           26
                                                                             23
## 10 Ecolog...
                      16.7
                             2014 2/2/2016 7/17/2...
                                                           44
                                                                             42
## # ... with 1,589 more rows, and 2 more variables: `Twitter reach` <dbl>,
```

Split a column in several columns

```
citations %>%
  separate(pubdate,c('month','day','year'),'/')
## # A tibble: 1,599 x 14
     journal impactfactor pubyear Volume Issue Authors colldate month day
     <fct>
                          <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <chr>
                                                            <chr> <chr>
##
                   <dbl>
                                    17 12
                           2014
                                            Morin ... 2/1/2016 9
                                                                  16
  1 Ecolog...
                    16.7
                   16.7 2014
                                   17 12
                                            Jucker... 2/1/2016 10
  2 Ecolog...
                                                                  13
                   16.7 2014 17 12
                                            Calcag... 2/1/2016 10
  3 Ecolog...
                                                                  21
                   16.7 2014 17 11
                                            Segre ... 2/1/2016 8
                                                                  28
## 4 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014 17 11
## 5 Ecolog...
                                            Kaufma... 2/1/2016 8
                                                                  28
                   16.7 2014 17 10
## 6 Ecolog...
                                            Nasto ... 2/2/2016 7
                                                                  28
                   16.7 2014 17 10 Tschir... 2/2/2016 8
## 7 Ecolog...
                                                                  6
                   16.7 2014 17 9
                                            Barnec... 2/2/2016 6
## 8 Ecolog...
                                                                  17
                                   17 9 Pinto-... 2/2/2016 6
                    16.7 2014
  9 Ecolog...
                                                                  12
                                   17 9
## 10 Ecolog...
                    16.7
                          2014
                                            Clough... 2/2/2016 7
                                                                  17
## # ... with 1,589 more rows, and 5 more variables: year <chr>,
      nbtweets <dbl>, `Number of users` <dbl>, `Twitter reach` <dbl>,
      woscitations <dbl>
## #
```

Transform in Date format...

```
library(lubridate)
citations %>%
  mutate(pubdate = mdy(pubdate),
         colldate = mdy(colldate))
## # A tibble: 1,599 x 12
     journal impactfactor pubyear Volume Issue Authors colldate
                                                                pubdate
##
     <fct>
                    <dbl>
                           <dbl> <dbl> <dr> <ddl> <dr> <dr> <dd><dr> <date>
                                                                <date>
                     16.7
                            2014
                                     17 12
                                              Morin ... 2016-02-01 2014-09-16
  1 Ecolog...
                    16.7 2014
                                     17 12
                                              Jucker... 2016-02-01 2014-10-13
   2 Ecolog...
##
                    16.7 2014
                                     17 12
                                              Calcag... 2016-02-01 2014-10-21
   3 Ecolog...
                    16.7 2014
## 4 Ecolog...
                                     17 11
                                              Segre ... 2016-02-01 2014-08-28
                    16.7 2014
## 5 Ecolog...
                                     17 11
                                              Kaufma... 2016-02-01 2014-08-28
                    16.7 2014
                                              Nasto ... 2016-02-02 2014-07-28
## 6 Ecolog...
                                     17 10
                    16.7 2014
                                     17 10
                                              Tschir... 2016-02-02 2014-08-06
## 7 Ecolog...
                    16.7 2014
## 8 Ecolog...
                                     17 9
                                              Barnec... 2016-02-02 2014-06-17
                     16.7 2014
                                     17 9
   9 Ecolog...
                                              Pinto-... 2016-02-02 2014-06-12
## 10 Ecolog...
                     16.7
                            2014
                                     17 9
                                              Clough... 2016-02-02 2014-07-17
## # ... with 1,589 more rows, and 4 more variables: nbtweets <dbl>, `Number of
      users' <dbl>, 'Twitter reach' <dbl>, woscitations <dbl>
```

...for easy manipulation of dates

```
## # A tibble: 1,599 x 13
     journal impactfactor pubyear Volume Issue Authors colldate
                                                             pubdate
     <fct>
                   <dbl>
                          <dbl> <dbl> <dr> <dr> <dr> <dr> <dr> 
                                                              <date>
##
                   16.7 2014
                                            Morin ... 2016-02-01 2014-09-16
## 1 Ecolog...
                                    17 12
                   16.7 2014 17 12
## 2 Ecolog...
                                            Jucker... 2016-02-01 2014-10-13
                   16.7 2014 17 12
## 3 Ecolog...
                                            Calcag... 2016-02-01 2014-10-21
                   16.7 2014 17 11
## 4 Ecolog...
                                            Segre ... 2016-02-01 2014-08-28
                   16.7 2014 17 11
                                            Kaufma... 2016-02-01 2014-08-28
## 5 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014 17 10
## 6 Ecolog...
                                            Nasto ... 2016-02-02 2014-07-28
                   16.7 2014 17 10 Tschir... 2016-02-02 2014-08-06
## 7 Ecolog...
                   16.7 2014 17 9
## 8 Ecolog...
                                            Barnec... 2016-02-02 2014-06-17
                    16.7 2014 17 9 Pinto-... 2016-02-02 2014-06-12
  9 Ecolog...
                                   17 9
                    16.7 2014
## 10 Ecolog...
                                            Clough... 2016-02-02 2014-07-17
## # ... with 1,589 more rows, and 5 more variables: nbtweets <dbl>, `Number of
      users' <dbl>, 'Twitter reach' <dbl>, woscitations <dbl>,
## #
      pubyear2 <dbl>
```

• Check out ?lubridate::lubridate for more functions

How to join tables together?

More #dplyr \ gifs! It took me a hella long time to wrap my head around the different types of joins when I first started learning them, so here's a few examples with some excellent mini datasets from #dplyr designed specifically for this purpose! #rstats #tidyverse pic.twitter.com/G56fWmIZSq

— Nic Crane (@nic_crane) 18 novembre 2018

Watch the video

Easy character manipulation

Select rows corresponding to papers with more than 3 authors

```
citations %>%
   filter(str_detect(Authors, 'et al'))
## # A tibble: 1,280 x 12
      journal impactfactor pubyear Volume Issue Authors colldate pubdate
##
      <fct>
                        <dbl>
                                 <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
                                                                 <chr>
                                                                           <chr>
                                                        Morin ... 2/1/2016 9/16/2...
## 1 Ecolog...
                         16.7
                                  2014
                                             17 12
                         16.7 2014
                                            17 12
                                                        Jucker... 2/1/2016 10/13/...
## 2 Ecolog...
                        16.7 2014 17 12
16.7 2014 17 11
16.7 2014 17 11
16.7 2014 17 10
16.7 2014 17 10
16.7 2014 17 9
16.7 2014 17 9
16.7 2014 17 9
                                                       Calcag... 2/1/2016 10/21/...
## 3 Ecolog...
## 4 Ecolog...
                                                        Segre ... 2/1/2016 8/28/2...
## 5 Ecolog...
                                                        Kaufma... 2/1/2016 8/28/2...
                                                        Nasto ... 2/2/2016 7/28/2...
## 6 Ecolog...
                                                       Tschir... 2/2/2016 8/6/20...
## 7 Ecolog...
## 8 Ecolog...
                                                       Barnec... 2/2/2016 6/17/2...
## 9 Ecolog...
                                                       Pinto-... 2/2/2016 6/12/2...
## 10 Ecolog...
                         16.7
                                   2014
                                             17 9
                                                       Clough... 2/2/2016 7/17/2...
## # ... with 1,270 more rows, and 4 more variables: nbtweets <dbl>, `Number of
        users' <dbl>, 'Twitter reach' <dbl>, woscitations <dbl>
```

Select rows corresponding to papers with less than 3 authors

```
citations %>%
   filter(!str_detect(Authors, 'et al'))
## # A tibble: 319 x 12
      journal impactfactor pubyear Volume Issue Authors colldate pubdate
##
                                 <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <chr>
##
      <fct>
                        <dbl>
                                                                           <chr>
## 1 Ecolog...
                                             17 6
                                                       Neutle... 2/15/20... 3/17/2...
                         16.7
                                  2014
                         16.7 2014 17 5
                                                       Kellne... 2/15/20... 2/20/2...
## 2 Ecolog...
                        16.7 2014 17 4
16.7 2014 17 3
16.7 2014 17 2
16.7 2014 17 2
16.7 2013 16 12
16.7 2013 16 9
16.7 2013 16 8
                                                       Griffi... 2/15/20... 1/16/2...
## 3 Ecolog...
## 4 Ecolog...
                                                       Gremer... 2/15/20... 1/17/2...
## 5 Ecolog...
                                                       Cavier... 2/15/20... 10/17/...
## 6 Ecolog...
                                                       Haegma... 2/15/20... 12/5/2...
## 7 Ecolog...
                                                        Kearney 2/15/20... 10/1/2...
## 8 Ecolog...
                                                       Locey ... 2/15/20... 7/15/2...
## 9 Ecolog...
                                                       Ouinte... 2/15/20... 6/26/2...
                                             16 3
## 10 Ecolog...
                         16.7
                                   2013
                                                       Lesser... 2/15/20... 12/22/...
## # ... with 309 more rows, and 4 more variables: nbtweets <dbl>, `Number of
        users' <dbl>, 'Twitter reach' <dbl>, woscitations <dbl>
```

Select rows corresponding to papers with less than 3 authors in journal with IF < 5

```
citations %>%
   filter(!str_detect(Authors, 'et al'), impactfactor < 5)
## # A tibble: 77 x 12
      journal impactfactor pubyear Volume Issue Authors colldate pubdate
##
##
      <fct>
                        <dbl>
                                 <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <chr>
                                                                           <chr>
                         4.9
                                   2014
                                             14 6
                                                       Gautier 2/27/20... 5/14/2...
## 1 Molecu...
                         4.9
                                 2014 14 5
                                                       Gambel... 2/27/20... 3/7/20...
## 2 Molecu...
                       4.9 2014 14 4

4.9 2014 14 3

4.9 2014 14 1

4.9 2013 13 4

4.9 2013 13 4

4.9 2012 12 1

3.21 2014 17 6

3.21 2014 17 Supp
                                                       Kekkon... 2/27/20... 3/10/2...
## 3 Molecu...
## 4 Molecu...
                                                       Bhatta... 2/27/20... 12/8/2...
## 5 Molecu...
                                                       Christ... 2/28/20... 10/25/...
                                                       Villar... 2/28/20... 5/2/20...
## 6 Molecu...
## 7 Molecu...
                                                                 2/28/20... 4/25/2...
                                                       Wang
## 8 Molecu...
                                                                 2/28/20... 9/7/20...
                                                       Jolv
## 9 Animal...
                                                       Playsic 2/9/2016 4/17/2...
## 10 Animal...
                         3.21
                                  2014
                                          17 Supp... Knox a... 2/11/20... 11/13/...
## # ... with 67 more rows, and 4 more variables: nbtweets <dbl>, `Number of
        users' <dbl>, 'Twitter reach' <dbl>, woscitations <dbl>
```

Convert words to lowercase

```
citations %>%
  mutate(authors_lowercase = str_to_lower(Authors)) %>%
  select(authors_lowercase)
## # A tibble: 1,599 x 1
     authors_lowercase
## <chr>
## 1 morin et al
## 2 jucker et al
## 3 calcagno et al
## 4 segre et al
## 5 kaufman et al
## 6 nasto et al
## 7 tschirren et al
## 8 barnechi et al
## 9 pinto-sanchez et al
## 10 clough et al
## # ... with 1,589 more rows
```

Remove all spaces in journal names

```
citations %>%
  mutate(journal = str_remove_all(journal," ")) %>%
  select(journal) %>%
  unique() %>%
  head(5)

## # A tibble: 5 x 1
## journal
## <chr>
## 1 EcologyLetters
## 2 GlobalChangeBiology
## 3 GlobalEcologyandBiogeography
## 4 MolecularEcologyResources
## 5 DiversityandDistributions
```

Explore stringr and regular expressions

- Check out the vignette on stringr for more examples on character manipulation and pattern matching functions.
- Check out the vignette on regular expressions which are a concise and flexible tool for describing patterns in strings.

Basic exploratory data analysis

Count

```
citations %>% count(journal, sort = TRUE)
```

```
## # A tibble: 20 x 2
##
   iournal
                                           n
     <fct>
##
                                       <int>
## 1 New Phytologist
                                         144
## 2 Ecology
                                         108
## 3 Evolution
                                         108
## 4 Global Change Biology
                                         108
## 5 Global Ecology and Biogeography
                                         108
## 6 Journal of Biogeography
                                         108
## 7 Ecology Letters
                                         106
## 8 Diversity and Distributions
                                         105
## 9 Animal Conservation
                                         102
## 10 Methods in Ecology and Evolution
                                          90
## 11 Evolutionary Applications
                                          74
## 12 Functional Ecology
                                          54
## 13 Journal of Animal Ecology
                                          54
## 14 Journal of Applied Ecology
                                          54
## 15 Limnology and Oceanography
                                          54
## 16 Molecular Ecology Resources
                                          54
## 17 Conservation Letters
                                          53
## 18 Ecological Applications
                                          48
## 19 Fish and Fisheries
                                          36
## 20 Mammal Review
                                           31
```

Count

```
citations %>%
  count(journal, pubyear) %>%
  head()
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
     journal
                          pubyear
##
##
     <fct>
                             <dbl> <int>
## 1 Animal Conservation
                              2012
                                      18
## 2 Animal Conservation
                              2013
                                      18
## 3 Animal Conservation
                              2014
                                      66
## 4 Conservation Letters
                              2012
                                      17
## 5 Conservation Letters
                              2013
                                      18
## 6 Conservation Letters
                              2014
                                      18
```

Group by variable to calculate stats

```
citations %>%
  group_by(journal) %>%
  summarise(avg_tweets = mean(nbtweets)) %>%
  head(10)
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 2
##
   journal
                                 avg_tweets
## <fct>
                                      <dbl>
## 1 Animal Conservation
                                      12.4
## 2 Conservation Letters
                                      10.2
## 3 Diversity and Distributions
                                     1.90
## 4 Ecological Applications
                                       2.60
## 5 Ecology
                                       3.10
## 6 Ecology Letters
                                      14.5
## 7 Evolution
                                       3.10
## 8 Evolutionary Applications
                                       3.22
## 9 Fish and Fisheries
                                       7.25
## 10 Functional Ecology
                                       2.87
```

Order stuff

```
citations %>%
  group_by(journal) %>%
  summarise(avg_tweets = mean(nbtweets)) %>%
  arrange(desc(avg_tweets)) %>% # decreasing order (wo desc for increasing)
  head(10)
```

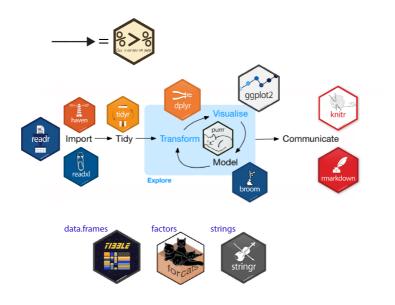
```
## # A tibble: 10 x 2
##
     iournal
                                      avg_tweets
##
     <fct>
                                           <dbl>
## 1 Journal of Applied Ecology
                                           18.7
## 2 Ecology Letters
                                           14.5
## 3 Animal Conservation
                                           12.4
## 4 Conservation Letters
                                           10.2
## 5 Methods in Ecology and Evolution
                                           7.77
## 6 Fish and Fisheries
                                            7.25
## 7 Journal of Animal Ecology
                                            5.98
## 8 Global Change Biology
                                            5.68
## 9 Mammal Review
                                            5.35
## 10 New Phytologist
                                            3.53
```

Group by variables to calculate stats

```
citations %>%
   group_by(journal, pubyear) %>%
   summarise(avg_tweets_year = mean(nbtweets))
## # A tibble: 59 x 3
## # Groups: journal [?]
##
     journal
                                  pubyear avg_tweets_year
##
     <fct>
                                    <db1>
                                                    <dbl>
## 1 Animal Conservation
                                     2012
                                                    3.72
## 2 Animal Conservation
                                     2013
                                                    5.83
## 3 Animal Conservation
                                     2014
                                                   16.6
## 4 Conservation Letters
                                                    6.76
                                     2012
## 5 Conservation Letters
                                     2013
                                                   11.6
## 6 Conservation Letters
                                     2014
                                                   12.2
                                     2012
## 7 Diversity and Distributions
                                                    0.667
## 8 Diversity and Distributions
                                     2013
## 9 Diversity and Distributions
                                     2014
                                                    3.97
## 10 Ecological Applications
                                     2012
                                                    0.917
## # ... with 49 more rows
```

There are so many more things to explore

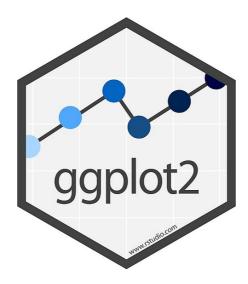
- **spread()** and **gather()** from package tidyr to reshape tibbles; see here for exemple
- mutate_all(), select_if() and summarise_at() or scoped verbs where scoped means that these functions operate only on a selection of variables; see here for example



Visualize

Visualization with ggplot2

- The package ggplot2 implements a grammar of graphics
- Operates on data.frames or tibbles, not vectors like base R
- Explicitly differentiates between the data and its representation



The ggplot2 grammar

Grammar element

Data

Geometrics

Aesthetics

What it is

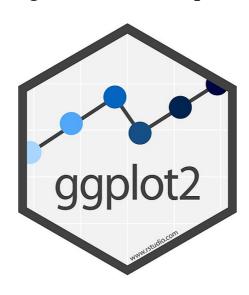
The data frame being plotted

The geometric shape that will represent the data

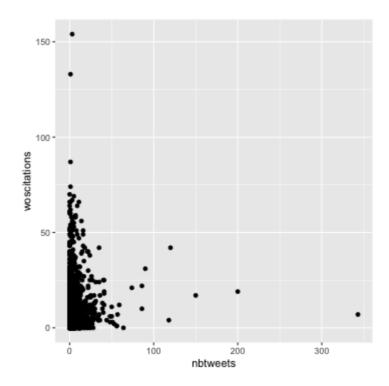
(e.g., point, boxplot, histogram)

The aesthetics of the geometric object

(e.g., color, size, shape)



```
citations %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, y = woscitations) +
  geom_point()
```



```
citations %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, y = woscitations) +
  geom_point()
```

• Pass in the data frame as your first argument

```
citations %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, y = woscitations) +
  geom_point()
```

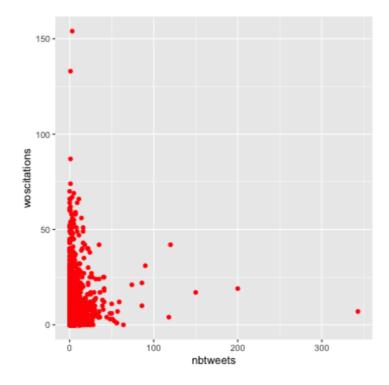
- Pass in the data frame as your first argument
- Aesthetics maps the data onto plot characteristics, here x and y axes

```
citations %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, y = woscitations) +
  geom_point()
```

- Pass in the data frame as your first argument
- Aesthetics maps the data onto plot characteristics, here x and y axes
- Display the data geometrically as points

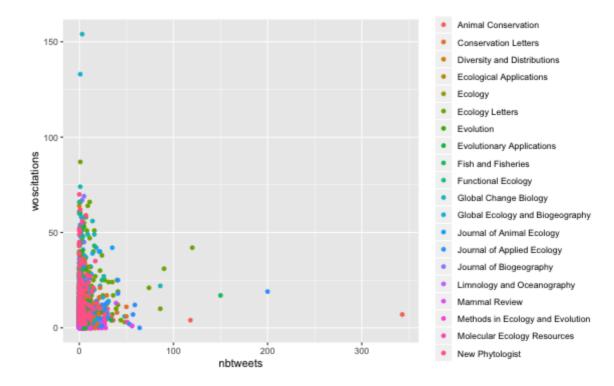
Scatterplots, with colors

```
citations %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, y = woscitations) +
  geom_point(color = "red")
```



Scatterplots, with species-specific colors

```
citations %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, y = woscitations, color = journal) +
  geom_point()
```



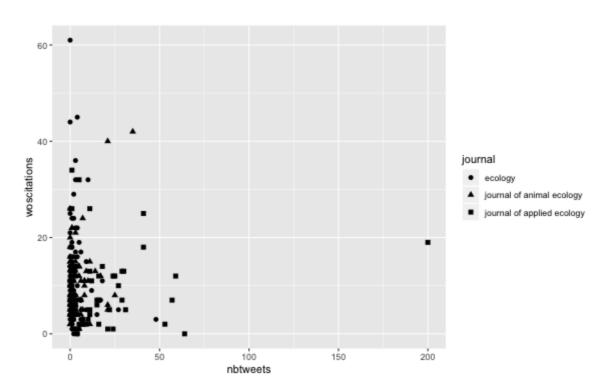
• Placing color inside aesthetic maps it to the data

Pick a few journals

```
## # A tibble: 216 x 12
     journal impactfactor pubyear Volume Issue Authors colldate pubdate
##
     <chr>
                    <dbl>
                           <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
                                                     <chr>
##
                                                              <chr>
                                             Maglia... 3/19/20... 12/1/2...
  1 ecology
                     6.16
                            2014
                                     95 12
                     6.16 2014
                                     95 12
                                              Soinen 3/19/20... 12/1/2...
##
   2 ecology
                    6.16 2014 95 12
                                             Graham... 3/19/20... 12/1/2...
##
   3 ecology
                    6.16 2014 95 11
## 4 ecology
                                             White ... 3/19/20... 11/1/2...
                    6.16 2014 95 11
## 5 ecology
                                             Einars... 3/19/20... 11/1/2...
                    6.16 2014 95 11
                                             Haav a... 3/19/20... 11/1/2...
## 6 ecology
                    6.16 2014 95 10
                                             Dodds ... 3/19/20... 10/1/2...
## 7 ecology
                    6.16 2014 95 10
                                             Brown ... 3/19/20... 10/1/2...
## 8 ecology
                          2014
   9 ecology
                     6.16
                                     95 10
                                             Wright... 3/19/20... 10/1/2...
                            2014
## 10 ecology
                     6.16
                                     95 9
                                             Ramahl... 3/19/20... 9/1/20...
## # ... with 206 more rows, and 4 more variables: nbtweets <dbl>, `Number of
      users' <dbl>, 'Twitter reach' <dbl>, woscitations <dbl>
```

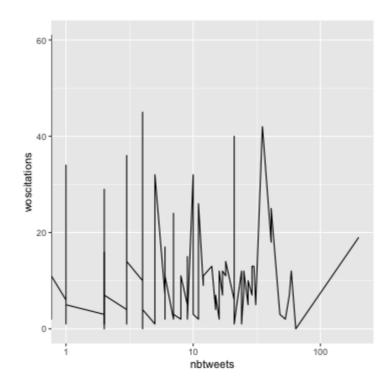
Scatterplots, with species-specific shapes

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, y = woscitations, shape = journal) +
  geom_point(size=2)
```



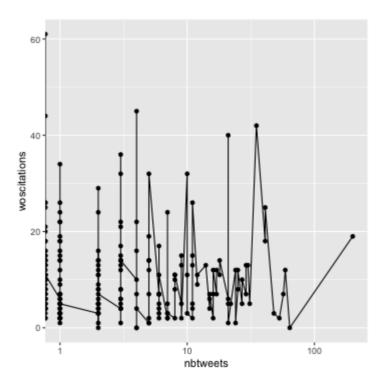
Scatterplots, lines instead of points

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, y = woscitations) +
  geom_line() +
  scale_x_log10()
```



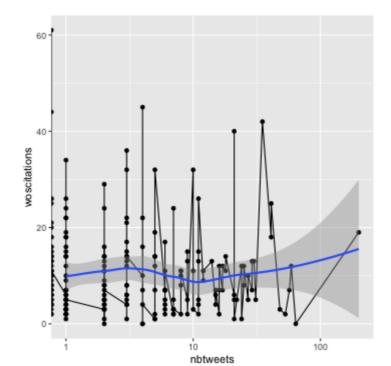
Scatterplots, add points

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, y = woscitations) +
  geom_line() +
  geom_point() +
  scale_x_log10()
```



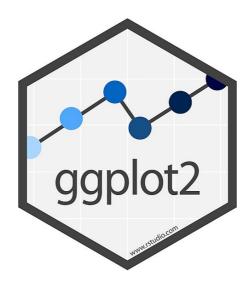
Scatterplots, add smoother

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, y = woscitations) +
  geom_line() +
  geom_point() +
  geom_smooth() +
  scale_x_log10()
```



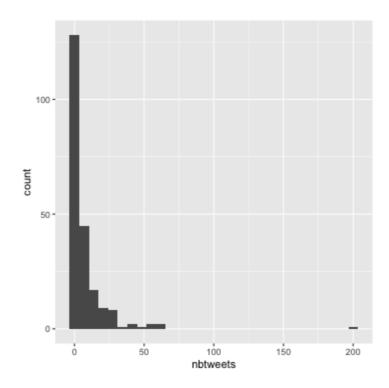
aes or not aes?

- If we are to establish a link between the values of a variable and a graphical feature, ie a mapping, then we need an aes().
- Otherwise, the graphical feature is modified irrespective of the data, then we do not need an aes().



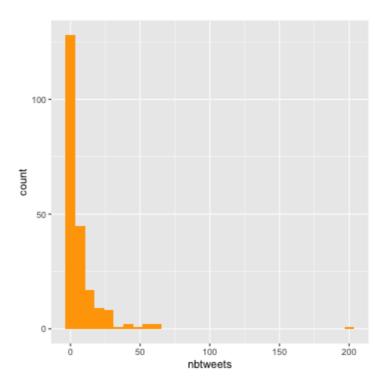
Histograms

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets) +
  geom_histogram()
```



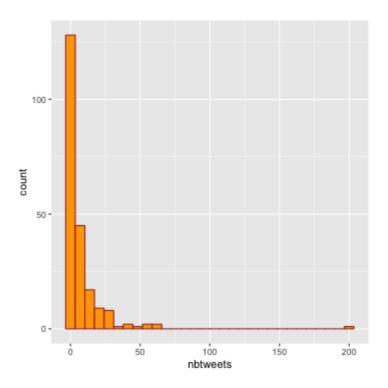
Histograms, with colors

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets) +
  geom_histogram(fill = "orange")
```



Histograms, with colors

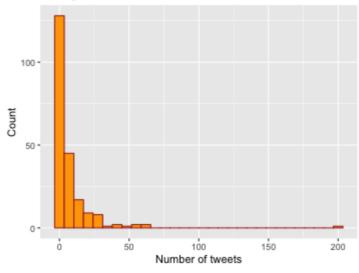
```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets) +
  geom_histogram(fill = "orange", color = "brown")
```



Histograms, with labels and title

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets) +
  geom_histogram(fill = "orange", color = "brown") +
  xlab("Number of tweets") +
  ylab("Count") +
  ggtitle("Histogram of the number of tweets")
```

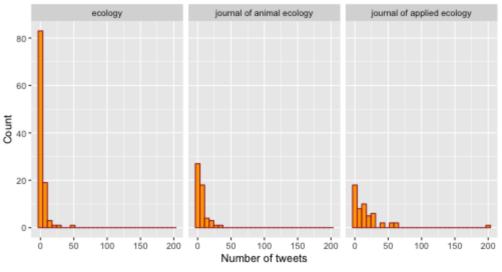
Histogram of the number of tweets



Histograms, by species

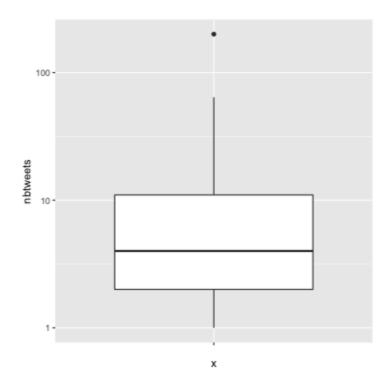
```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets) +
  geom_histogram(fill = "orange", color = "brown") +
  xlab("Number of tweets") +
  ylab("Count") +
  ggtitle("Histogram of the number of tweets") +
  facet_wrap(aes(journal))
```

Histogram of the number of tweets



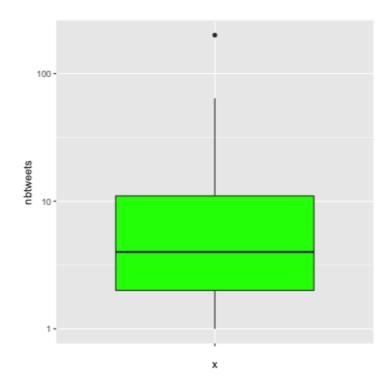
Boxplots

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = "", y = nbtweets) +
  geom_boxplot() +
  scale_y_log10()
```



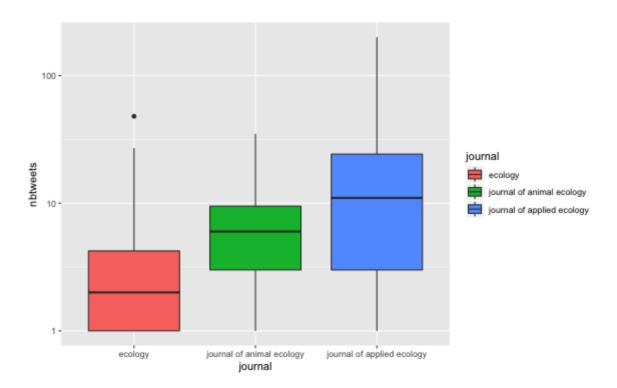
Boxplots with colors

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = "", y = nbtweets) +
  geom_boxplot(fill = "green") +
  scale_y_log10()
```



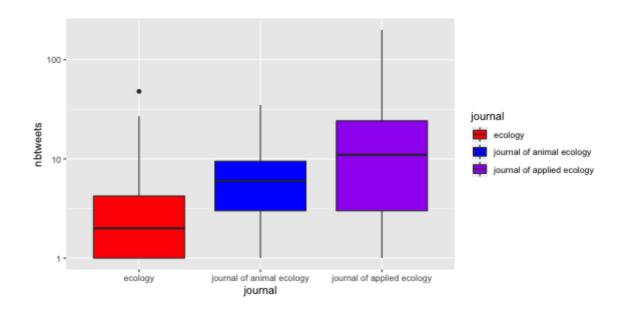
Boxplots with colors by species

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = journal, y = nbtweets, fill = journal) +
  geom_boxplot() +
  scale_y_log10()
```



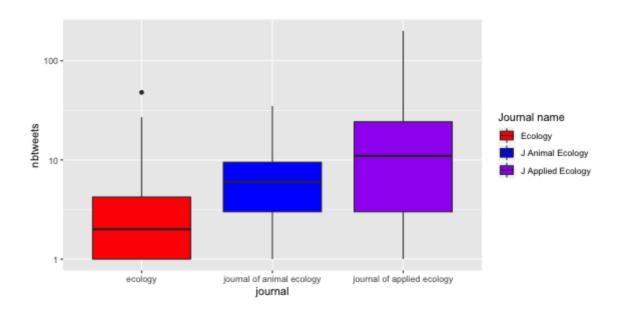
Boxplots, user-specified colors by species

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = journal, y = nbtweets, fill = journal) +
  geom_boxplot() +
  scale_y_log10() +
  scale_fill_manual(
    values=c("red", "blue", "purple"))
```



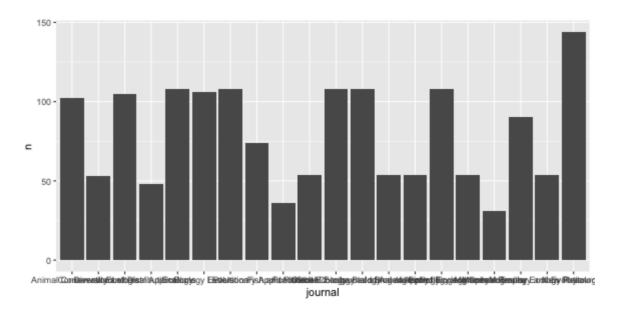
Boxplots, change legend settings

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = journal, y = nbtweets, fill = journal) +
  geom_boxplot() +
  scale_y_log10() +
  scale_fill_manual(
    values=c("red", "blue", "purple"),
    name = "Journal name",
    labels=c("Ecology", "J Animal Ecology", "J Applied Ecology"))
```



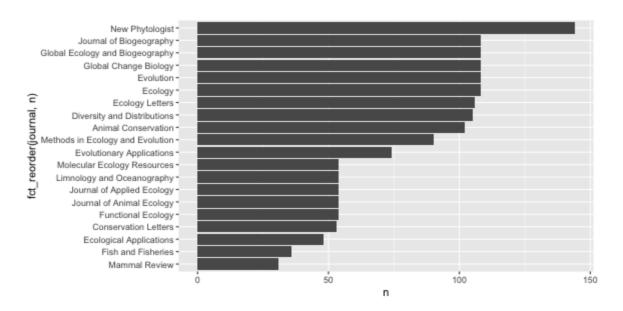
Ugly bar plots

```
citations %>%
  count(journal) %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = journal, y = n) +
  geom_col()
```



Idem, with factors reordering and flipping

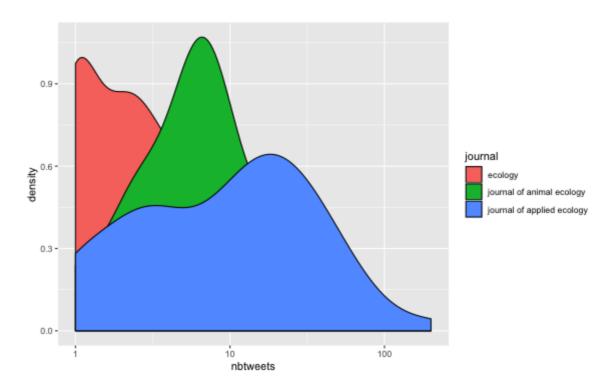
```
citations %>%
  count(journal) %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = fct_reorder(journal, n), y = n) +
  geom_col() +
  coord_flip()
```



More about how to (tidy) work with factors here and here.

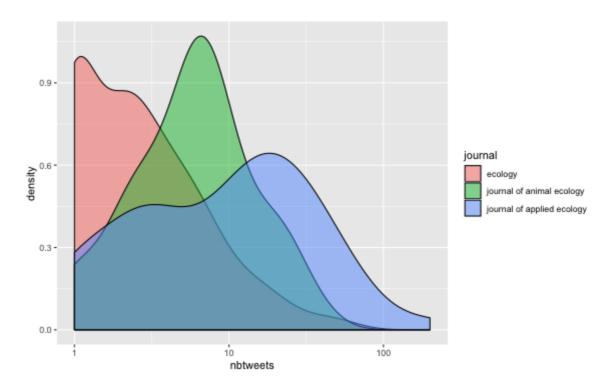
Density plots

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, fill = journal) +
  geom_density() +
  scale_x_log10()
```



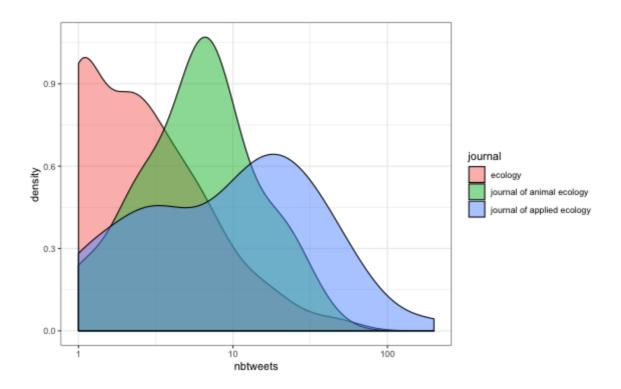
Density plots, control transparency

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, fill = journal) +
  geom_density(alpha = 0.5) +
  scale_x_log10()
```



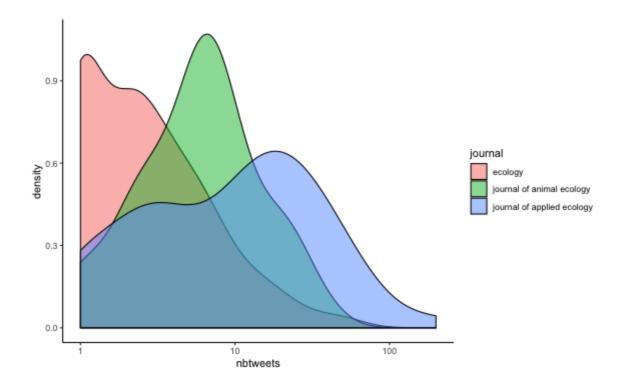
Change default background theme 1/3

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, fill = journal) +
  geom_density(alpha = 0.5) +
  scale_x_log10() +
  theme_bw()
```



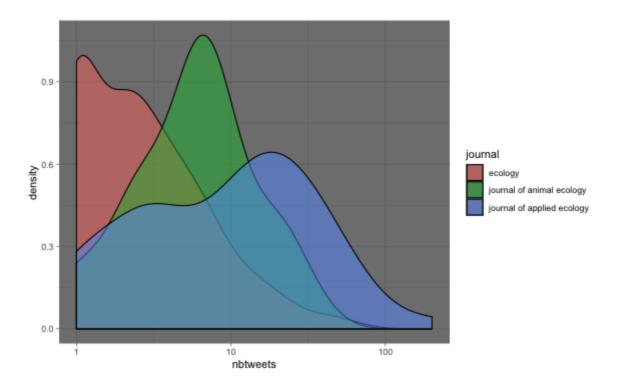
Change default background theme 2/3

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, fill = journal) +
  geom_density(alpha = 0.5) +
  scale_x_log10() +
  theme_classic()
```



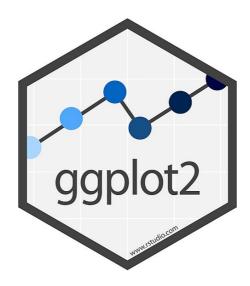
Change default background theme 3/3

```
citations_ecology %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = nbtweets, fill = journal) +
  geom_density(alpha = 0.5) +
  scale_x_log10() +
  theme_dark()
```



More on data visualisation with ggplot2

- Portfolio of ggplot2 plots
- Top ggplot2 visualizations
- Interactive ggplot2 visualizations





To dive even deeper in the tidyverse

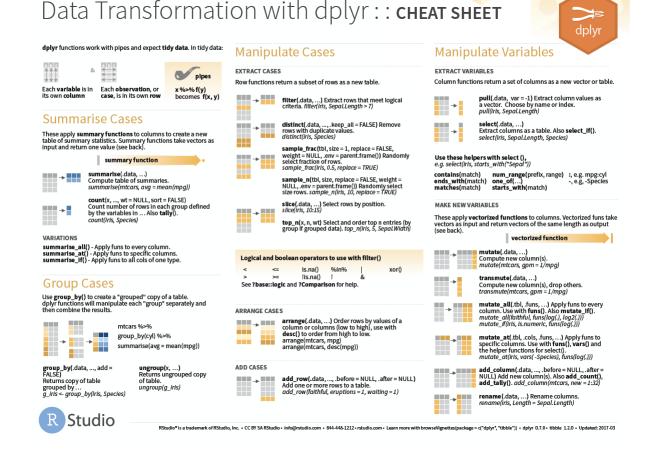
- Learn the tidyverse: books, workshops and online courses
- My selection of books:
 - R for Data Science et Advanced R
 - Introduction à R et au tidyverse
 - Fundamentals of Data visualization
 - Data Visualization: A practical introduction
- Tidy Tuesdays videos by D. Robinson chief data scientist at DataCamp
- Material of the 2-day workshop Data Science in the tidyverse held at the RStudio 2019 conference
- Material of the stat545 course on Data wrangling, exploration, and analysis with R at the University of British Columbia
- List of best R packages (with their description) on data import, wrangling and visualization

How to switch from base R to tidyverse?

Couple of notes before we start. The list below is not exhaustive (best to read package documentation for that). For instance, it doesnt cover lubridate (which covers date/time related functions), forcats (which covers everything you would want to do to factors), broom (which tidies up messy R objects), modelr (which has helper functions for creating models) or ggplot. I also use data frame and tibble interchangeably, although they are obviously different.

Base R command	Tidyverse Command	What it does and why you should use the tidyverse version	Comment
read.csv()	read_csv()	reads in a csv file, but its much faster, shows progress bar for large files, can automatically parse data type	es also see read_delim(), read_tsv() and readxl::read_xlsx()
sort(), order()	arrange()	sort column(n) within a data frame	see also order_by()
mtcars\$mpg =	mutate()	modify a column	see also transmute() which drops existing variables
mtcars[,c("mpg", "am")], subset()	select(), rename()	select or rename columns	see also pull()
mtcars[mtcars\$am == 1,], subset()	filter()	select rows based on a criterion	
aggregate()	summarise(), summarize(), do()	reduce grouped values to a single value	see also varaints like summarize_if()
ifelse()	if_else(), case_when()	standard vectorized if else, but stricter than base version	see also near()
unique()	distinct()	finds unique rows in a data frame, but its much, faster	
length(unique())	n_distinct()	count the number of distinct values in a vector, faster	
sample(), sample.int()	sample_n(), sample_frac()	sample n rows or a fraction of rows from a dataframe	
all.equal()	all_equal()	checks if two vectors are the same	
merge()	inner_join(), left_join()	perform joins, much faster, verbose, and row order is maintain	see also right_join(), full_join(), semi_join(), anti_join()
rbind(), cbind()	bind_rows(), bind_cols()	concatenate two dataframes along rows or columns, much faster	
x >= left & x <= right	between()	easier to read and faster implementation for larege datasets	see also near()
nrow(), sum()	tally(), count(), add_tally(), add_count	() count or sum up rows	
c()	combine()	combine into a vector	
extends base R	cumall(), cumany(), cummean()	extends base R collection of cumsum(), cumprod() etc	
mtcars\$mpg[1,] etc	first(), last(), n(), top_n()	works within groups, allows you to order by another column(s) and provide defaults for missing values	
split(), aggregate()	group_by()	create a grouped data frame (tibble) to perform operations on groups	see also ungroup()
intersect(), union()	intersect(), union()	set operations, but dplyr works on data frames as well	
$mtcars\(mpg2 = c(NA, mtcars\)mpg[1:nrow(mtcars)-1]$]) lead(), lag()	No equivalent command in base R, easier to read	
ifelse(, NA)	na_if()	convert a value to NA	
switch()	recode()	change certain values in your vector	see also forcats package when dealing with factors
mtcars[3:5,]	slice()	select rows bases on row numbers	
seq_along(), quantile()	row_number(), ntile(), min_ran() etc	add rankings in various ways, much richer set of rankings supported than base r	
no easy way	complete(), expand()	expands the dataframe so that supplied columns are completely filled out	often used with nesting(), see also full_seq()
expand.grid()	crossing()	create a data frame of all possible combinations of supplied vectors	
ifelse(is.na(),)	drop_na(), replace_na()	drop rows with missing values or convert NAs to supplied values	see also fill(), coalesce()
some mix of paste/strsplit	separate(), unite()	separate two columns based on regex or combine two columns into one	
reshape2::dcast()	spread()	convert long (tidy) data into wide (untidy) format	
reshape2::melt()	gather()	convert wide (untidy) data into long(tidy) format	
replicate()	rerun()	run an expression n number of times	
unlist(lapply(x, [[, n))	pluck()	extract elements out of a list	
lapply(), sapply()	map(), map2()	apply a function to a set of values, working with lists	see also map_chr(), map_lgl(), map_int(), map_dbl(), map_df()
paste0()	glue()	combine two strings together, but much more powerful because it allows for expressions	

The RStudio Cheat Sheets



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