Class 3 - Intro to the tidyverse

QMSS GR5072 Modern Data Structures

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Working with Tibbles

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).

Creating Tibbles

tibble() is a nice way to create data frames. It encapsulates best practices for data frames:

```
tibble(x = letters)
```

Tibbles Vs. Data Frames

There are three key differences between tibbles and data frames: printing, subsetting, and recycling rules.

Printing

When you print a tibble, it only shows the first ten rows and all the columns that fit on one screen.

It also prints an abbreviated description of the column type, and uses font styles and color for highlighting:

Printing

tibble(x = -5:1000)

```
## # A tibble: 1,006 × 1
##
       X
## <int>
## 1 -5
## 2 -4
## 3 -3
## 4 -2
## 5 -1
## 6 0
## 7 1
## 8 2
## 9 3
## 10 4
## # ... with 996 more rows
```

Printing

You can control the default appearance with options:

options(tibble.print_max = n, tibble.print_min = m): if there are more than n rows, print only the first m rows.

Use options(tibble.print_max = Inf) to always show all rows.

options(tibble.width = Inf) will always print all columns, regardless of the width of the screen.

Subsetting

Tibbles are quite strict about subsetting.

- · always returns another tibble. Contrast this with a data frame: sometimes
- returns a data frame and sometimes it just returns a vector:

```
df1 <- data.frame(x = 1:3, y = 3:1)
class(df1[, 1:2])

## [1] "data.frame"

class(df1[, 1])

## [1] "integer"</pre>
```

Subsetting

```
df2 <- tibble(x = 1:3, y = 3:1)
class(df2[, 1:2])

## [1] "tbl_df" "tbl" "data.frame"

## [1] "tbl_df" "tbl" "data.frame"</pre>
```

To extract a single column use [[or \$:

```
class(df2[[1]])

## [1] "integer"

class(df2$x)

## [1] "integer"
```

Intro to dplyr package

When working with data you must:

- Figure out what you want to do.
- Describe those tasks in the form of a computer program.
- Execute the program.

Intro to dplyr package

The dplyr package makes these steps fast and easy:

By constraining your options, it helps you think about your data manipulation challenges.

It provides simple "verbs", functions that correspond to the most common data manipulation tasks, to help you translate your thoughts into code.

It also uses efficient backends, so you spend less time waiting for the computer.

Intro to dplyr package

Example data: nycflights13

To work with data you need to install the nycflights13 package

```
library(nycflights13)
dim(flights)

## [1] 336776 19

flights
```

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 19
##
                    day dep time sched dep time dep delay arr time sched arr time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                          <int>
                                          <int>
                                                    <dbl>
                                                             <int>
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```

Single table verbs

Dplyr aims to provide a function for each basic verb of data manipulation:

- filter() to select cases based on their values.
- arrange() to reorder the cases.
- select() and rename() to select variables based on their names.
- mutate() and transmute() to add new variables that are functions of existing variables.
- summarise() to condense multiple values to a single value.
- sample_n() and sample_frac() to take random samples.

Filter rows with filter()

filter() allows you to select a subset of rows in a data frame.

Like all single verbs, the first argument is the tibble (or data frame).

The second and subsequent arguments refer to variables within that data frame, selecting rows where the expression is TRUE.

Filter rows with filter()

For example, we can select all flights on January 1st with:

```
filter(flights, month == 1, day == 1)
```

```
## # A tibble: 842 × 19
##
                  day dep time sched dep time dep delay arr time sched arr time
      vear month
     <int> <int> <int>
                                                 <dbl>
##
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## # ... with 832 more rows, and 11 more variables: 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>
```

Filter rows with filter()

```
filter(flights, month == 1, day == 1)
```

This is roughly equivalent to this base R code:

```
flights[flights$month == 1 & flights$day == 1, ]
```

```
## # A tibble: 842 × 19
                   day dep time sched dep time dep delay arr time sched arr time
##
      year month
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                         <int>
                                        <int>
                                                  <dbl>
                                                          <int>
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##
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## # ... with 832 more rows, and 11 more variables: 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>
                                                                              18/73
```

arrange() works similarly to filter() except that instead of filtering or selecting rows, it reorders them.

It takes a data frame, and a set of column names (or more complicated expressions) to order by.

If you provide more than one column name, each additional column will be used to break ties in the values of preceding columns:

arrange(flights, year, month, day)

arrange(flights, year, month, day)

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 19
##
       year month day dep time sched dep time dep delay arr time sched arr time
      <int> <int> <int>
                                                              <int>
##
                           <int>
                                          <int>
                                                    <dbl>
                                                                             <int>
##
       2013
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                             517
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## # ... with 336,766 more rows, and 11 more variables: 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 order a column in descending order: arrange(flights, desc(arr_delay))

arrange(flights, desc(arr delay))

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 19
##
       year month day dep time sched dep time dep delay arr time sched arr time
      <int> <int> <int>
                                                     <dbl>
##
                           <int>
                                           <int>
                                                              <int>
                                                                              <int>
##
       2013
                1
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                                             900
                                                      1301
                                                               1242
                                                                               1530
##
       2013
                     15
                            1432
                                            1935
                                                      1137
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                                                                               2120
                6
##
       2013
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                            1121
                                            1635
                                                      1126
                                                               1239
                                                                               1810
                                                                               2210
##
       2013
                     20
                            1139
                                            1845
                                                      1014
                                                               1457
   4
##
   5 2013
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                                            1600
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   6 2013
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##
                4
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                                                               1342
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##
       2013
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                                             759
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## # ... with 336,766 more rows, and 11 more variables: 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>
```

Select columns with select()

Often you work with large datasets with many columns but only a few are actually of interest to you.

select() allows you to rapidly zoom in on a useful subset of columns

Select columns by name

select(flights, year, month, day)

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 3
## year month day
## <int> <int>
## 1 2013 1 1
## 2 2013 1 1
## 3 2013 1 1
## 4 2013 1 1
## 5 2013
## 6 2013
        1 1
## 7 2013
## 8 2013
## 9 2013 1 1
        1 1
## 10 2013
## # ... with 336,766 more rows
```

Select all columns between year and day (inclusive)

```
select(flights, year:day)
```

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 3
##
   year month day
  <int> <int> <int>
## 1 2013
         1 1
## 2 2013 1 1
## 3 2013 1 1
## 4 2013
## 5 2013
## 6 2013
         1 1
## 7 2013
## 8 2013
  9 2013
## 10 2013
## # ... with 336,766 more rows
```

Select all columns except those from year to day (inclusive)

select(flights, -(year:day))

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 16
##
      dep time sched dep time dep delay arr time sched arr time arr delay carrier
         <int>
                        <int>
                                  <dbl>
                                           <int>
                                                                     <dbl> <chr>
##
                                                           <int>
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## # ... with 336,766 more rows, and 9 more variables: flight <int>, tailnum <chr>,
## #
       origin <chr>, dest <chr>, air time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>,
## #
      minute <dbl>, time hour <dttm>
```

Helper functions

There are a number of helper functions you can use within select(),

- like starts_with(),
- ends_with(),
- matches()
- · and contains().

These let you quickly match larger blocks of variables that meet some criterion. See ?select for more details.

Use rename() to change variable names

Example: For original column name "tailnum", change it to "tail_num"...

```
rename(flights, tail num = tailnum)
```

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 19
##
     vear month
                day dep time sched dep time dep delay arr time sched arr time
     <int> <int> <int>
                                            <dbl>
##
                      <int>
                                   <int>
                                                   <int>
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## # ... with 336,766 more rows, and 11 more variables: arr delay <dbl>,
## #
     carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tail num <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
     air time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>, time hour <dttm>
```

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Add new columns with mutate()

Besides selecting sets of existing columns, it's often useful to add new columns that are functions of existing columns.

This is the job of mutate():

```
mutate(flights,
    gain = arr_delay - dep_delay,
    speed = distance / air_time * 60
)
```

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 21
##
      year month
                   day dep time sched dep time dep delay arr time sched arr time
     <int> <int> <int>
                          <int>
                                         <int>
                                                   <dbl>
                                                            <int>
                                                                          <int>
##
   1 2013
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```

More with mutate()

case_when is particularly useful inside mutate when you want to create a new variable that relies on a complex combination of existing variables:

More with mutate()

```
## # A tibble: 87 × 6
##
                       height mass gender species type
     name
                        <int> <dbl> <chr>
                                             <chr>
##
     <chr>
                                                     <chr>
                          172 77 masculine Human
                                                     other
  1 Luke Skywalker
                          167 75 masculine Droid
##
   2 C-3PO
                                                     robot
                              32 masculine Droid
##
   3 R2-D2
                           96
                                                     robot.
  4 Darth Vader
                          202
                               136 masculine Human
                                                     large
##
##
   5 Leia Organa
                          150
                               49 feminine Human
                                                     other
   6 Owen Lars
                               120 masculine Human
##
                          178
                                                     other
   7 Beru Whitesun lars
##
                          165 75 feminine Human
                                                     other
                              32 masculine Droid
##
  8 R5-D4
                           97
                                                     robot
##
   9 Biggs Darklighter
                          183
                                 84 masculine Human
                                                     other
```

Summarise values with summarise()

The last verb is summarise(). It collapses a data frame to a single row.

```
summarise(flights,
  delay = mean(dep_delay, na.rm = TRUE)
)

## # A tibble: 1 × 1

## delay

## <dbl>
## 1 12.6
```

It's not that useful until we learn the group_by() verb below.

Calculate stats by variable category

Grouped operations with group_by():

The dplyr verbs are useful on their own, but they become even more powerful when you apply them to groups of observations within a dataset.

In dplyr, you do this with the group_by() function.

group_by() examples:

Group flights data by values in tailnum column:

by_tailnum <- group_by(flights, tailnum)</pre>

Group flights data by values in dest column:

destinations <- group_by(flights, dest)</pre>

group_by() examples:

We often use group_by() with the summarise function.

You use summarise() with aggregate functions, which take a vector of values and return a single number.

```
destinations <- group_by(flights, dest)
summarise(destinations,
  planes = n_distinct(tailnum),
  flights = n()
)</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 105 × 3
## dest planes flights
##
  <chr> <int> <int>
## 1 ABQ
            108
                  254
  2 ACK 58
                265
  3 ALB 172
##
                  439
  4 ANC
             6
                    8
  5 ATL
        1180
                17215
##
  6 AUS
            993
                 2439
## 7 AVL
            159
                275
##
            186
                  443
   8 BDL
```

summarise aggregate functions:

You use summarise() with aggregate functions, which take a vector of values and return a single number.

There are many useful examples of such functions in base R like *min()*, *max()*, *mean()*, *sum()*, *sd()*, *median()*, *and IQR()*.

dplyr provides a handful of others:

n(): the number of observations in the current group

 $n_distinct(x)$: the number of unique values in x.

Others include - first(x), last(x) and nth(x, n) - these work similarly to x[1], x[length(x)], and x[n] but give you more control over the result if the value is missing.

Use ungroup() to stop grouped operations

ungroup(flights)

Pipe Operators and the Tidyverse

You can use Tidyverse functions with the pipe operator

The %>% operator is used to make code easier to read

Different ways to organize code

Option 1: Use multiple objects/variables

Different ways to organize code

Option 2: Nested Option

```
arrange(
    summarize(
        group_by(
            filter(mtcars, carb > 1),
            cyl
            ),
        Avg_mpg = mean(mpg)
        ),
        desc(Avg_mpg)
)
```

Different ways to organize code

Option 3: Use Pipe Operators (Not always available, but you can do it with tidyverse functions)

```
mtcars %>%
    filter(carb > 1) %>%
    group_by(cyl) %>%
    summarise(Avg_mpg = mean(mpg)) %>%
    arrange(desc(Avg_mpg))
```

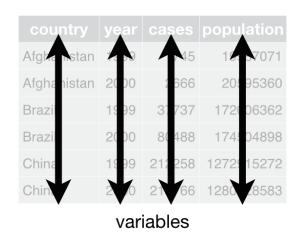
Tidy Data

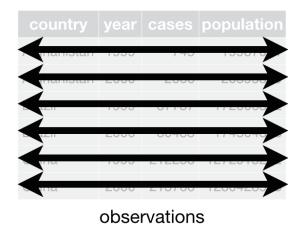
There are three interrelated rules which make a dataset tidy:

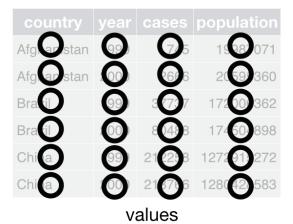
- Each variable must have its own column.
- · Each observation must have its own row.
- · Each value must have its own cell.

We often want data to be in this format for data analysis

Tidy Data







Separating and uniting

separate() pulls apart one column into multiple columns, by splitting wherever a separator character appears. Take table3:

table3

Separating

Separating

3 Brazil 19

4 Brazil 20

20

00

5 China 19

6 China

99 37737/172006362

00 80488/174504898

99 212258/1272915272

213766/1280428583

Uniting

6 China

Unite combines two variables into one

```
table5[1:2,]
## # A tibble: 2 × 4
##
    country century year rate
##
    <chr> <chr>
                      <chr> <chr>
## 1 Afghanistan 19
                      99 745/19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 20 00 2666/20595360
table5 %>%
 unite(new, century, year, sep = "")
## # A tibble: 6 × 3
##
    country new
                    rate
##
    <chr> <chr> <chr>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 745/19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 2000 2666/20595360
## 3 Brazil 1999 37737/172006362
## 4 Brazil 2000 80488/174504898
## 5 China 1999 212258/1272915272
```

2000 213766/1280428583

Joining (merging) data in the Tidyverse

- Mutating joins, which add new variables to one data frame from matching observations in another.
- Filtering joins, which filter observations from one data frame based on whether or not they match an observation in the other table.
- **Set operations**, which treat observations as if they were set elements.

We will focus on the most common joins, *Mutating Joins*.

Keys

The variables used to connect each pair of tables are called keys.

- · A key is a variable (or set of variables) that uniquely identifies an observation.
- In simple cases, a single variable is sufficient to identify an observation.

For example, each plane is uniquely identified by its tailnum.

- · In other cases, multiple variables may be needed.
- For example, to identify an observation in weather you need five variables: year, month, day, hour, and origin.

There are two types of keys:

· A primary key uniquely identifies an observation in its own table.

For example, planes\$tailnum is a primary key because it uniquely identifies each plane in the planes table.

· A foreign key uniquely identifies an observation in another table.

A variable can be both a primary key and a foreign key.

Best Practices: Ensure data has unique values on key

- It's good practice to verify that they do indeed uniquely identify each observation.
- One way to do that is to count() the primary keys and look for entries where n is greater than one (we want none greater than one):

```
planes %>%
  count(tailnum) %>%
  filter(n > 1)
```

```
## # A tibble: 0 \times 2 ## # ... with 2 variables: tailnum <chr>, n <int>
```

Lets say we want to add a column from the airlines dataset to the following data:

```
flights2 <- flights %>%
  select(year:day, hour, origin, dest, tailnum, carrier)
flights2
```

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 8
##
      year month day hour origin dest tailnum carrier
##
     <int> <int> <int> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
                                              <chr>
##
   1 2013
                         5 EWR
                                  IAH
                                       N14228
              1
                                              UA
##
   2
      2013
              1
                         5 LGA
                                 IAH
                                       N24211
                                              IJA
##
      2013
              1 1
                         5 JFK
                                 MIA
                                       N619AA AA
##
   4 2013
              1 1
                         5 JFK
                                 BON
                                       N804JB
                                              B6
##
      2013
              1
                         6 LGA
                                 ATL
                                       N668DN
   5
                                              DL
##
      2013
              1
   6
                         5 EWR
                                 ORD
                                       N39463
                                              UA
      2013
##
                         6 EWR
                                 FLL
                                       N516JB
                                              B6
##
  8 2013
              1 1
                         6 LGA
                                 IAD
                                       N829AS EV
##
      2013
              1
                         6 JFK
                                 MCO
                                       N593JB
                                              B6
## 10
      2013
              1
                         6 LGA
                                 ORD
                                       N3ALAA AA
## # ... with 336,766 more rows
```

Lets say we want to add a column from the airlines dataset to the following data:

```
# the airlines dataset looks like:
head(airlines)
```

To do so, we would use left_join():

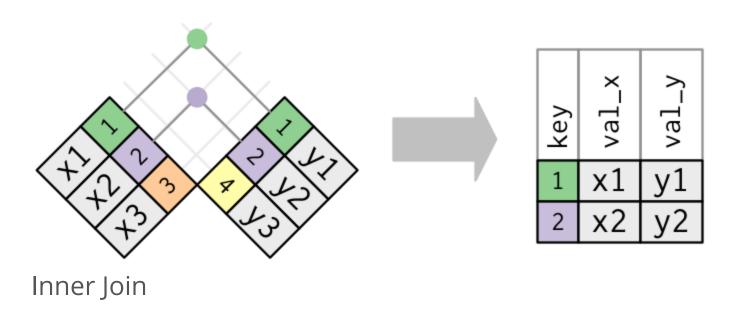
```
flights2 %>%
 select(-origin, -dest) %>%
 left join(airlines, by = "carrier")
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 7
##
      year month day hour tailnum carrier name
     <int> <int> <dbl> <chr>
##
                                  <chr>
                                         <chr>
##
      2013
              1
                         5 N14228
                                         United Air Lines Inc.
                                  IJA
##
  2 2013 1 1
                        5 N24211 UA
                                         United Air Lines Inc.
##
  3 2013 1 1
                                         American Airlines Inc.
                         5 N619AA AA
##
  4 2013 1 1
                         5 N804JB B6
                                         JetBlue Airways
  5 2013
                                         Delta Air Lines Inc.
##
                         6 N668DN
                                  DL
              1 1
##
  6 2013
                         5 N39463
                                         United Air Lines Inc.
                                  IJA
## 7
      2013
                        6 N516JB B6
                                         JetBlue Airways
##
  8 2013
              1 1
                                         ExpressJet Airlines Inc.
                         6 N829AS
                                  EV
##
              1 1
  9 2013
                         6 N593JB B6
                                         JetBlue Airways
                         6 N3ALAA AA
                                         American Airlines Inc.
## 10 2013
              1
                   1
## # ... with 336,766 more rows
```

The result of joining airlines to flights2 is an additional variable: name

```
flights2 %>%
 select(-origin, -dest) %>%
 left join(airlines, by = "carrier")
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 7
##
     year month day hour tailnum carrier name
    <int> <int> <dbl> <chr>
##
                                <chr>
                                       <chr>
##
  1 2013
             1
                       5 N14228
                                       United Air Lines Inc.
                                IJA
##
  2 2013 1 1 5 N24211 UA
                                       United Air Lines Inc.
##
  3 2013 1 1
                                       American Airlines Inc.
                       5 N619AA AA
##
  4 2013 1 1
                       5 N804JB B6
                                       JetBlue Airways
  5 2013
                                       Delta Air Lines Inc.
##
                       6 N668DN
                                DL
             1 1
##
  6 2013
                       5 N39463 UA
                                       United Air Lines Inc.
## 7 2013 1 1 6 N516JB B6
                                       JetBlue Airways
          1 1
##
  8 2013
                                       ExpressJet Airlines Inc.
                       6 N829AS
                                EV
##
             1 1
  9 2013
                       6 N593JB B6
                                       JetBlue Airways
                                       American Airlines Inc.
## 10 2013
             1
                  1
                       6 N3ALAA AA
## # ... with 336,766 more rows
```

Types of Mutating Joins

The simplest type of join is the *inner join*. An inner join matches pairs of observations whenever their keys are equal:



Inner Join

Inner Join

```
x %>%
  inner_join(y, by = "key")

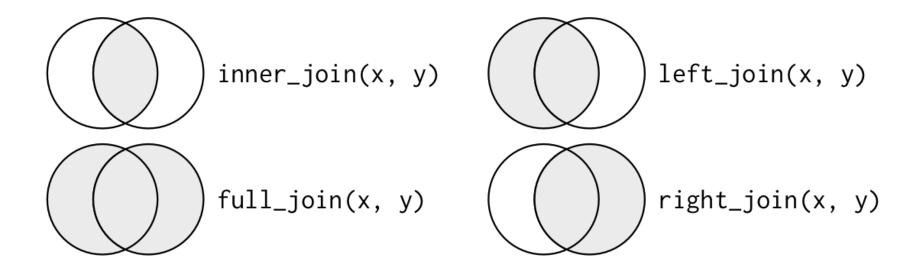
## # A tibble: 2 × 3
## key val_x val_y
## <dbl> <chr> <chr>
## 1 1 x1 y1
## 2 2 x2 y2
```

Outer joins

An inner join keeps observations that appear in both tables. An **outer join keeps observations that appear in at least one of the tables**. There are three types of outer joins:

- · A *left join* keeps all observations in x.
- · A *right join* keeps all observations in y.
- · A *full join* keeps all observations in x and y.

Outer joins



Outer joins

```
#leftjoin() with same variable name in two datasets
flights2 %>%
 left join(planes, by = "tailnum")
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 16
##
     year.x month day hour origin dest tailnum carrier year.y type
##
      <int> <int> <int> <chr> <chr>
                                                   <chr>
                                                            <int> <chr>
##
       2013
                      1
                            5 EWR
                                           N14228 UA
                                                             1999 Fixed wing mult...
   1
                1
                                     TAH
##
       2013
                                           N24211 UA
                                                             1998 Fixed wing mult...
                      1
                            5 LGA
                                     TAH
##
       2013
                                           N619AA AA
                                                             1990 Fixed wing mult...
   3
                      1
                            5 JFK
                                     MIA
       2013
##
                      1
                            5 JFK
                                     BON
                                           N804JB B6
                                                             2012 Fixed wing mult...
   4
##
       2013
                      1
                            6 LGA
                                           N668DN DL
                                                             1991 Fixed wing mult...
                                     ATL
##
   6
       2013
                      1
                            5 EWR
                                           N39463 UA
                                                             2012 Fixed wing mult...
                                     ORD
       2013
                                           N516JB B6
##
                      1
                            6 EWR
                                                             2000 Fixed wing mult...
                                     FLL
##
       2013
                      1
                                           N829AS EV
                                                             1998 Fixed wing mult...
   8
                            6 LGA
                                     IAD
##
   9
       2013
                      1
                            6 JFK
                                     MCO
                                           N593JB B6
                                                             2004 Fixed wing mult...
## 10
       2013
                      1
                            6 LGA
                                     ORD
                                           N3ALAA AA
                                                               NA <NA>
## # ... with 336,766 more rows, and 6 more variables: manufacturer <chr>,
      model <chr>, engines <int>, seats <int>, speed <int>, engine <chr>
## #
```

Outer joins with difft key names

Use a named character vector: by = c("a" = "b").

• This will match variable a in table x to variable b in table y. The variables from x will be used in the output.

```
#leftjoin() with diff't variable name in two datasets
flights2 %>%
  left_join(airports, c("dest" = "faa"))
```

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 × 15
##
                   day hour origin dest tailnum carrier name
                                                                 lat
      year month
                                                                       lon
                                                                             alt
##
     <int> <int> <int> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
                                                <chr>
                                                        <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                                        Georg... 30.0 -95.3
##
      2013
               1
                           5 EWR
                                   IAH
                                         N14228
                                                                              97
                                                UA
                     1
##
      2013
               1 1
                          5 LGA
                                   IAH
                                         N24211
                                                UA
                                                        Georg... 30.0 -95.3
                                                                              97
      2013
                                                        Miami... 25.8 -80.3
##
               1 1
                          5 JFK
                                   MIA
                                         N619AA AA
                                                                              8
   3
##
   4 2013
               1
                          5 JFK
                                                        <NA>
                                                                      NA
                                   BON
                                         N804JB
                                                В6
                                                                NA
                                                                             NA
                                                        Harts... 33.6 -84.4
##
   5 2013
               1
                          6 LGA
                                   ATL
                                         N668DN
                                                                            1026
                                                DL
##
   6 2013
               1
                          5 EWR
                                   ORD
                                         N39463
                                                        Chica... 42.0 -87.9
                                                                             668
                                                 IJA
                                                        Fort ... 26.1 -80.2
##
      2013
               1
                          6 EWR
                                   FLL
                                         N516JB
                                                B6
##
      2013
                          6 LGA
                                         N829AS
                                                        Washi... 38.9 -77.5
                                                                             313
                                   IAD
                                                EV
##
      2013
                          6 JFK
                                                        Orlan... 28.4 -81.3
                                                                             96
                                   MCO
                                         N593JB B6
                                                        Chica... 42.0 -87.9
## 10
      2013
                           6 LGA
                                   ORD
                                         N3ALAA AA
                                                                             668/73
```

Base R versus Tidyverse Joins

base::merge() can perform all four types of mutating join:

dplyr versus merge - inner_join(x, y) is equal to merge(x, y) - left_join(x, y) is equal to merge(x, y, all.x = TRUE) - right_join(x, y) is equal to merge(x, y, all.y = TRUE), - full_join(x, y) is equal to merge(x, y, all.x = TRUE, all.y = TRUE)

Data is often organised to facilitate some use other than analysis.

- For example, data is often organised to make entry as easy as possible.
- This means for most real analyses, you'll need to do some tidying.

- The first step is always to figure out what the variables and observations are.
- · Sometimes this is easy; other times you'll need to consult with the people who originally generated the data.

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.
- Typically a dataset will only suffer from one of these problems; it'll only suffer from both if you're really unlucky!

To fix these problems, you'll need the two most important functions in tidyr according to Hadley w.:

gather() and spread().

Gathering

To make the following data "tidy" we need to convert our observations to represent country-years. (Unique row = unique country and year values) Example data:

table4a

Gathering



Gathering

1 Afghanistan 1999 745

2 Brazil 1999 37737

3 China 1999 212258

5 Brazil 2000 80488

6 China 2000 213766

2666

4 Afghanistan 2000

Spreading

Spreading is the opposite of gathering. You use it when an observation is scattered across multiple rows.

How would you make the following data tidy?

table2

```
## # A tibble: 12 × 4
##
     country year type
                                  count
  <chr> <int> <chr>
                               <int>
##
  1 Afghanistan 1999 cases
                                    745
  2 Afghanistan 1999 population 19987071
##
   3 Afghanistan 2000 cases
                                   2666
  4 Afghanistan 2000 population 20595360
##
  5 Brazil
##
               1999 cases
                                  37737
##
  6 Brazil
                1999 population 172006362
## 7 Brazil
                2000 cases
                                  80488
  8 Brazil
##
                2000 population 174504898
  9 China
               1999 cases
                                 212258
## 10 China
                1999 population 1272915272
## 11 China
                2000 cases
                                 213766
## 12 China
                2000 population 1280428583
```

Spreading

5 China

6 China

- The variable we want to create new columns with is the key.
- The variable we want to specify as our values is the value

1999 212258 1272915272

2000 213766 1280428583

Spreading

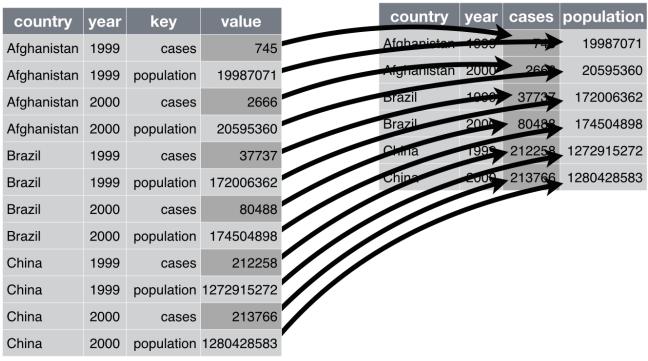


table2