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Data wrangling

Using dplyr to transform your data I.

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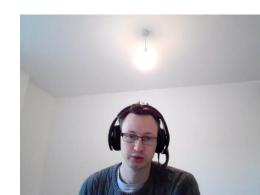
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Statistical Computing & Empirical Methods

What will we cover today?

- We will explore some foundational concepts of tabular data
- We will then introduce and explore the basics of data wrangling using the dplyr library.
 - Extracting subsets
 - Adding new columns
 - Rearranging your rows
 - Summarizing your data
 - Fusing together data frames.



The Palmer penguins data set

• We will also make use of the Palmer penguin data set.



Introduced by Alison Hill, Allison Horst, Kristen Gorman.



The Palmer penguins data set

• Load the Tidy verse + the Palmer penguins data set.

```
library(tidyverse)

library(palmerpenguins)
```

We can take a look at the data set by using the head function.

```
head (penguins)
# A tibble: 6 x 8
  species island
                    bill_length_mm bill_depth_mm flipper_length_mm body_mass_g sex
                                                                                        vear
  <fct> <fct>
                             <db7>
                                            <db1>
                                                                          <int> <fct>
                                                                                       <int>
                                                              <int>
1 Adelie Torgersen
                              39.1
                                            18.7
                                                               181
                                                                           3750 male
                                                                                        2007
2 Adelie Torgersen
                              39.5
                                            17.4
                                                               186
                                                                           3800 female
                                                                                        2007
3 Adelie Torgersen
                              40.3
                                            18
                                                               195
                                                                          3250 female
                                                                                        2007
4 Adelie Torgersen
                              NA
                                                               NA
                                                                             NA NA
                                                                                        2007
                                            NA
5 Adelie Torgersen
                                                                          3450 female
                              36.7
                                            19.3
                                                               193
                                                                                        2007
6 Adelie Torgersen
                              39.3
                                            20.6
                                                               190
                                                                           3650 male
                                                                                        2007
```



Tabular data

Penguins is an example of a tabular data set represented by an R data frame.

	# A tibbl	e: 6 x 8		1				
	species	island	bill_length_mm	bill_depth_mm	flipper_length_mm	body_mass_g		year
	<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<db7></db7>	<db7></db7>	<int></int>	<int></int>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
	1 Adelie	Torgersen	39.1	18.7	181	<u>3</u> 750	male	<u>2</u> 007
	2 Adelie	Torgersen	39.5	17.4	186	<u>3</u> 800	female	2007
	3 Adelie	Torgersen	40.3	18	195	3250	female	2007
	4 Adelie	Torgersen	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	<u>2</u> 007
	5 Adelie	Torgersen	36.7	19.3	193	<u>3</u> 450	female	<u>2</u> 007
	6 Adelie	Torgersen	39.3	20.6	190	<u>3</u> 650	male	<u>2</u> 007

Rows

Correspond to an instance of a specific type of thing, in this case an individual penguin.

Known as examples, observations or cases.

Columns

Correspond to a property or quality of the individual examples.

Known as features, variables or covariates.



What is data wrangling?

- Data wrangling is the process of transforming data from one form to another.
- Extracting, transforming, fusing and aggregating information from existing data.
- We can do this all in R with the Tidyverse, especially the Hadley Wickham's dplyr.



A grammar for data wrangling

- The "nouns" of data wrangling are the data frames.
- Hadley Wickam identified five key "verbs" which can be applied to data frames:

```
select() - Take a subset of columns.
```

filter() - Take a subset of rows.

mutate() - Add or modify existing columns.

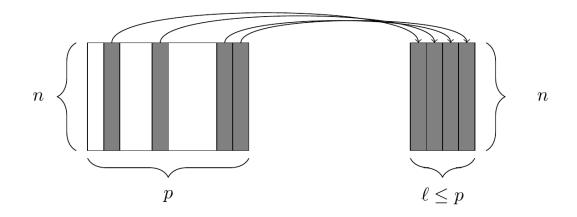
arrange() - Sort rows.

summarize() - Aggregate data across existing rows.

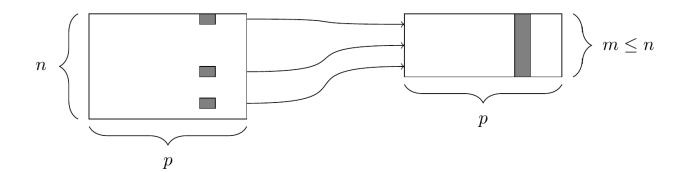


The select and filter functions

Select



Filter



Diagrams from Baumer et al. Modern Data Science with R, 2017.



The select function

The select function allows us to extract several columns.

```
select(penguins, species, bill_length_mm, body_mass_g)
```

```
## # A tibble: 344 x 3
   species bill length mm body mass g
   <fct> <dbl>
                    <int>
  1 Adelie
             39.1 3750
  2 Adelie 39.5 3800
         40.3
  3 Adelie
                   3250
         NA
  4 Adelie
                        NA
  5 Adelie 36.7
                        3450
  6 Adelie 39.3
                       3650
 7 Adelie
         38.9
                        3625
            39.2
  8 Adelie
                       4675
  9 Adelie
          34.1
                       3475
## 10 Adelie
                        4250
## # ... with 334 more rows
```



The select function

The select function also allows us to remove several columns.

```
select(penguins,-species,-bill_length_mm,-body_mass_g)
```

```
## # A tibble: 344 x 5
   island bill depth mm flipper length mm sex year
  <fct> <dbl>
                        <int> <fct> <int>
                18.7
  1 Torgersen
                               181 male 2007
   2 Torgersen 17.4
                                  186 female 2007
   3 Torgersen
                   18
                                  195 female 2007
   4 Torgersen
                   NA
                                  NA <NA>
                                           2007
   5 Torgersen
               19.3
                                  193 female 2007
   6 Torgersen
                   20.6
                                  190 male 2007
  7 Torgersen
                   17.8
                                  181 female 2007
   8 Torgersen
               19.6
                                  195 male
                                           2007
   9 Torgersen
                   18.1
                                  193 <NA> 2007
## 10 Torgersen
                   20.2
                                  190 <NA> 2007
## # ... with 334 more rows
```



The filter function

The filter function allows us to extract a subset of rows.

```
filter(penguins, species=="Gentoo")
```

```
## # A tibble: 124 x 8
     species island bill length mm bill depth mm flipper length ~ body mass g
    <fct> <fct>
                         <dbl>
                                      <dbl>
                                                     <int>
                                                               <int>
   1 Gentoo Biscoe
                        46.1
                                      13.2
                                                      211
                                                                4500
   2 Gentoo Biscoe
                                      16.3
                         50
                                                      230
                                                                5700
                   48.7
   3 Gentoo Biscoe
                                 14.1
                                                      210
                                                                4450
   4 Gentoo Biscoe
                                      15.2
                        50
                                                      218
                                                                5700
   5 Gentoo Biscoe
                    47.6
                                      14.5
                                                      215
                                                                5400
   6 Gentoo Biscoe
                     46.5
                                13.5
                                                      210
                                                                4550
                        45.4
                                     14.6
   7 Gentoo Biscoe
                                                      211
                                                                4800
                    46.7
   8 Gentoo Biscoe
                                15.3
                                                      219
                                                                5200
   9 Gentoo Biscoe
                         43.3
                                      13.4
                                                                4400
                                                      209
                         46.8
                                      15.4
## 10 Gentoo Biscoe
                                                      215
                                                                5150
## # ... with 114 more rows, and 2 more variables: sex <fct>, year <int>
```



The filter function

We can also combine two or more conditions within the filter function.

```
filter(penguins, species=="Gentoo" & body_mass_g>5000)
```

```
## # A tibble: 61 x 8
  species island bill_length_mm bill_depth_mm flipper_length_~ body_mass_g
  <fct> <fct>
               <dbl>
                           <dbl>
                                      <int>
                                                <int>
  1 Gentoo Biscoe
                            16.3
                  50
                                          230
                                                 5700
              50
  2 Gentoo Biscoe
                            15.2
                                       218
                                                 5700
  3 Gentoo Biscoe
              47.6 14.5
                                      215
                                                 5400
  4 Gentoo Biscoe
              46.7
                        15.3
                                      219
                                                 5200
              46.8
                        15.4
  5 Gentoo Biscoe
                                      215
                                                 5150
  6 Gentoo Biscoe
                         16.1
                  49
                                       216
                                                 5550
              48.4
                        14.6
  7 Gentoo Biscoe
                                       213
                                                 5850
  8 Gentoo Biscoe
                 49.3
                        15.7
                                          217
                                                 5850
  9 Gentoo Biscoe
                 49.2
                        15.2
                                      221
                                                 6300
## 10 Gentoo Biscoe
                  48.7
                         15.1
                                         222
                                                 5350
## # ... with 51 more rows, and 2 more variables: sex <fct>, year <int>
```



Combining filter & select functions

We often combine filter with select to get a sub table.

```
select(filter(penguins, species=="Gentoo"), species, bill_length_mm, body_mass_g)
```

```
## # A tibble: 124 x 3
  species bill length mm body mass g
   <fct> <dbl>
                       <int>
  1 Gentoo 46.1
                        4500
  2 Gentoo 50
                        5700
  3 Gentoo 48.7
                        4450
  4 Gentoo 50
                        5700
         47.6
  5 Gentoo
                        5400
          46.5
  6 Gentoo
                        4550
  7 Gentoo 45.4
                        4800
         46.7
  8 Gentoo
                        5200
  9 Gentoo
         43.3
                        4400
## 10 Gentoo
          46.8
                        5150
## # ... with 114 more rows
```



```
select(filter(penguins, species=="Gentoo"), species, bill_length_mm, body_mass_g)
```

We can also chain multiple operations with the pipe operator %>%

```
penguins %>%
  filter(species=="Gentoo") %>%
  select(species, bill_length_mm, body_mass_g)
```

```
## # A tibble: 124 x 3
    species bill length mm body mass g
    <fct>
           <db1>
                           <int>
   1 Gentoo 46.1
                            4500
   2 Gentoo 50
                            5700
           48.7
   3 Gentoo
                            4450
           50
                            5700
   4 Gentoo
            47.6
   5 Gentoo
                            5400
               46.5
   6 Gentoo
                            4550
                45.4
   7 Gentoo
                            4800
            46.7
   8 Gentoo
                            5200
             43.3
                            4400
   9 Gentoo
## 10 Gentoo
                46.8
                            5150
## # ... with 114 more rows
```



The pipe operator %>% is taken from the magrittr package which is also part of the tidyverse.

The magrittr package was developed by Stefan Milton Bache and Hadley Wickham.









The pipe operator %>% allows arguments to be implicitly passed as objects to the function after the pipe.

```
f <- function(a,b) { return (a^2+b) }</pre>
f(3,1)
## [1] 10
3 %>% f(1)
## [1] 10
```



```
select(filter(penguins, species=="Gentoo"), species, bill_length_mm, body_mass_g)
```

We can also chain multiple operations with the pipe operator %>%

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## # A tibble: 124 x 3
    species bill length mm body mass g
    <fct>
            <dbl>
                            <int>
   1 Gentoo 46.1
                             4500
   2 Gentoo 50
                             5700
           48.7
   3 Gentoo
                             4450
           50
   4 Gentoo
                             5700
             47.6
   5 Gentoo
                             5400
                46.5
   6 Gentoo
                             4550
                 45.4
   7 Gentoo
                             4800
               46.7
   8 Gentoo
                             5200
              43.3
   9 Gentoo
                             4400
## 10 Gentoo
                 46.8
                             5150
## # ... with 114 more rows
```



Now take a break!

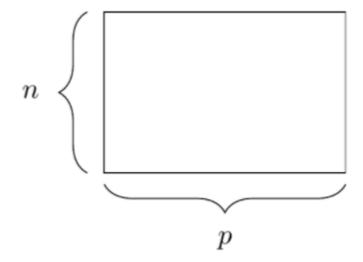


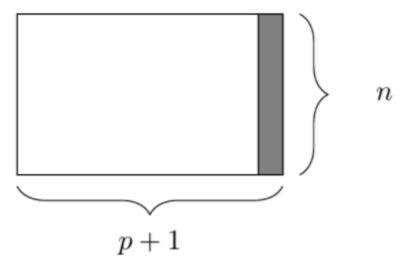


The mutate function

The mutate function allows us to create a new column as a function of existing columns.

```
my_penguins <- penguins %>%
  mutate(flipper_bill_ratio = flipper_length_mm/bill_length_mm) %>%
  select(species,bill_length_mm,flipper_length_mm,flipper_bill_ratio)
my_penguins
```







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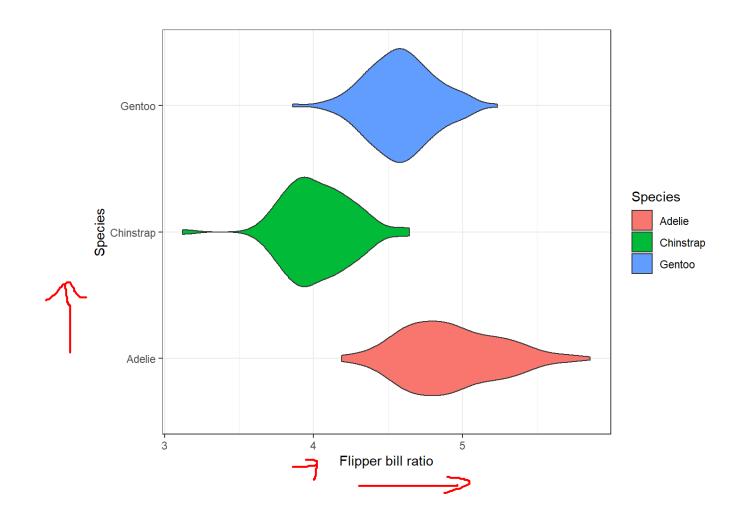
```
my_penguins <- penguins %>%
  mutate(flipper_bill_ratio = flipper_length_mm/bill_length_mm) %>%
  select(species,bill_length_mm,flipper_length_mm,flipper_bill_ratio)
my_penguins
```

```
## # A tibble: 344 x 4
   species bill length mm flipper length mm flipper bill ratio
   <fct>
           <db1>
                                <int>
   1 Adelie 39.1
                                 181
                                               4.63
  2 Adelie 39.5
                                               4.71
                                 186
  3 Adelie
           40.3
                                 195
                                               4.84
  4 Adelie
               NA
                                               NA
           36.7
                                               5.26
  5 Adelie
                                 193
   6 Adelie
           39.3
                                               4.83
                                 190
  7 Adelie
           38.9
                                               4.65
                                 181
  8 Adelie
           39.2
                                 195
                                               4.97
                 34.1
                                               5.66
  9 Adelie
                                 193
## 10 Adelie
                                 190
                                               4.52
## # ... with 334 more rows
```



The mutate function

```
ggplot(data=rename(my_penguins, Species=species), aes(x=flipper_bill_ratio , y=Species, fill=Species))+
geom_violin()+theme_bw()+xlab("Flipper bill ratio")
```





The rename function

The rename function allows us to rename an existing column.

```
my_penguins (%>% rename(f_over_b = flipper_bill_ratio)
```

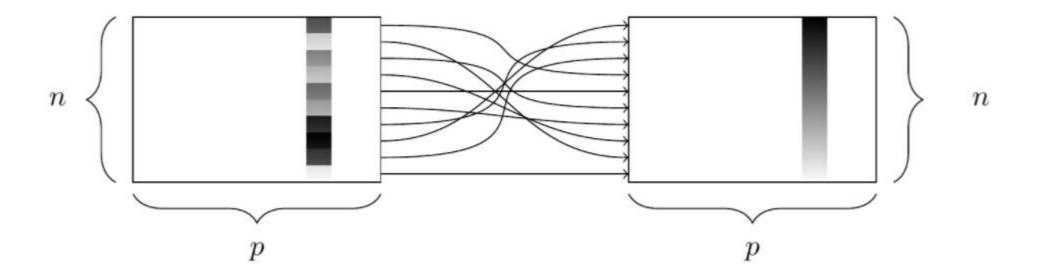
```
## # A tibble: 344 x 4
    species bill length mm flipper length mm f over b
    <fct>
                   <dbl>
                                     <int>
                                              <dbl>
   1 Adelie
                   39.1
                                       181
                                             4.63
   2 Adelie
                    39.5
                                            4.71
                                       186
   3 Adelie
                     40.3
                                             4.84
                                       195
   4 Adelie
                     NA
                                       NA
                                              NA
   5 Adelie
                     36.7
                                             5.26
                                       193
   6 Adelie
                     39.3
                                       190
                                             4.83
   7 Adelie
                     38.9
                                             4.65
                                       181
   8 Adelie
                     39.2
                                             4.97
                                       195
                                             5.66
   9 Adelie
                     34.1
                                       193
## 10 Adelie
                                               4.52
                                       190
## # ... with 334 more rows
```



The arrange function

We can sort the rows of a table via the arrange function.

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```





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```
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```

```
## # A tibble: 344 x 4
     species bill_length_mm flipper_length_mm flipper_bill_ratio
    <fct>
                       <dbl>
                                         <int>
                                                           <dbl>
   1 Adelie
                                          188
                                                            5.86
                       32.1
   2 Adelie
                                                            5.38
                        33.1
                                          178
   3 Adelie
                        33.5
                                                            5.67
                                          190
   4 Adelie
                        34
                                          185
                                                            5.44
                                                            5.66
   5 Adelie
                       34.1
                                          193
                                                            5.35
   6 Adelie
                        34.4
                                          184
   7 Adelie
                        34.5
                                                            5.42
                                          187
                                                            5.72
   8 Adelie
                                          198
   9 Adelie
                                          189
                                                            5.46
## 10 Adelie
                                          190
                                                             5.43
## # ... with 334 more rows
```



The arrange function

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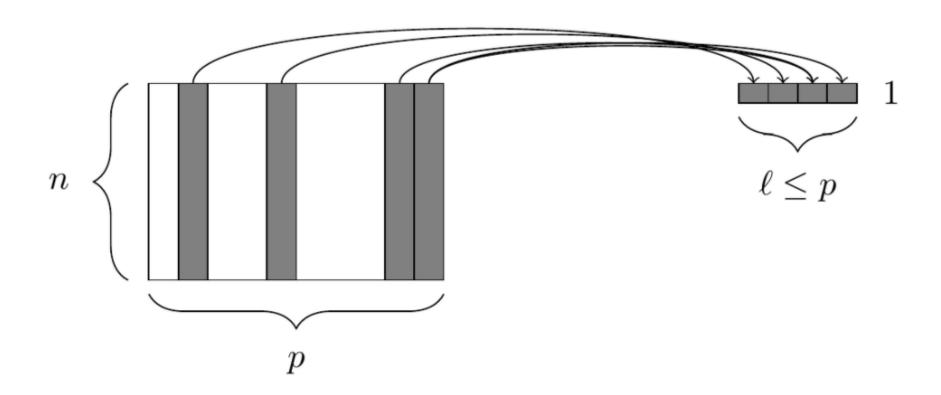
```
my_penguins %>% arrange(desc(bill_length_mm))
```

```
## # A tibble: 344 x 4
    species bill length mm flipper length mm flipper bill ratio
   <fct>
                   <dbl>
                                                 <dbl>
                                  <int>
   1 Gentoo
                59.6
                                   230
                                                 3.86
   2 Chinstrap 58
                                   181
                                                3.12
               55.9
  3 Gentoo
                                                4.08
                                   228
   4 Chinstrap 55.8
                                   207
                                               3.71
  5 Gentoo
                  55.1
                                                 4.17
                                   230
           54.3
                                               4.25
   6 Gentoo
                                   231
  7 Chinstrap
                   54.2
                                   201
                                                 3.71
  8 Chinstrap
                   53.5
                                                 3.83
                                   205
  9 Gentoo
                   53.4
                                   219
                                               4.10
## 10 Chinstrap
                   52.8
                                                  3.88
                                   205
## # ... with 334 more rows
```



Summarizing data

To understand data we can extract summary statistics from a data frame.





The summarize function

The summarize function computes vector functions across the entire data frame.

```
penguins %>%
  summarize(
    num_rows=n(), avg_weight_kg =mean(body_mass_g/1000,na.rm=TRUE),avg_flipper_bill_ratio =
  mean(flipper_length_mm/bill_length_mm,na.rm=TRUE)
)
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 3

## num_rows avg_weight_kg avg_flipper_bill_ratio

## <int> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 344 4.20 4.62
```



The groupby function

To obtain summaries by group we can combine the summarize and groupby functions.

```
penguins %>%
  group_by(species)%>%
  summarize(
    num_rows=n(), avg_weight_kg =mean(body_mass_g/1000,na.rm=TRUE),avg_flipper_bill_ratio =
  mean(flipper_length_mm/bill_length_mm,na.rm=TRUE)
)
```



The across function

The across function allows us to apply a function within summarize to all columns at once.

```
penguins %>%
summarize(across(everything(),~sum(is.na(.x))))
```



The across function combined with where

We can also restrict apply the function to a subset of columns of a prescribed form.

```
penguins %>%
summarize(across(where(is.numeric), ~mean(.x, na.rm=TRUE)))
```



Combining the summarize, groupby and across functions

To obtain summaries by group we can combine the summarize and groupby functions.

```
penguins %>%
  select(-year)%>%
  group_by(species)%>%
  summarize(across(where(is.numeric), ~mean(.x, na.rm=TRUE)), num_rows=n())
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 6
  species bill_length_mm bill_depth_mm flipper_length_mm body_mass_g num_rows
   <fct>
         <dbl>
                        <dbl>
                                    <dbl>
                                            <dbl>
                                                  <int>
         38.8 18.3
## 1 Adelie
                                    190. 3701.
                                                    152
## 2 Chinstrap 48.8 18.4
                                  196. 3733. 68
## 3 Gentoo
         47.5 15.0
                                     217. 5076.
                                                    124
```

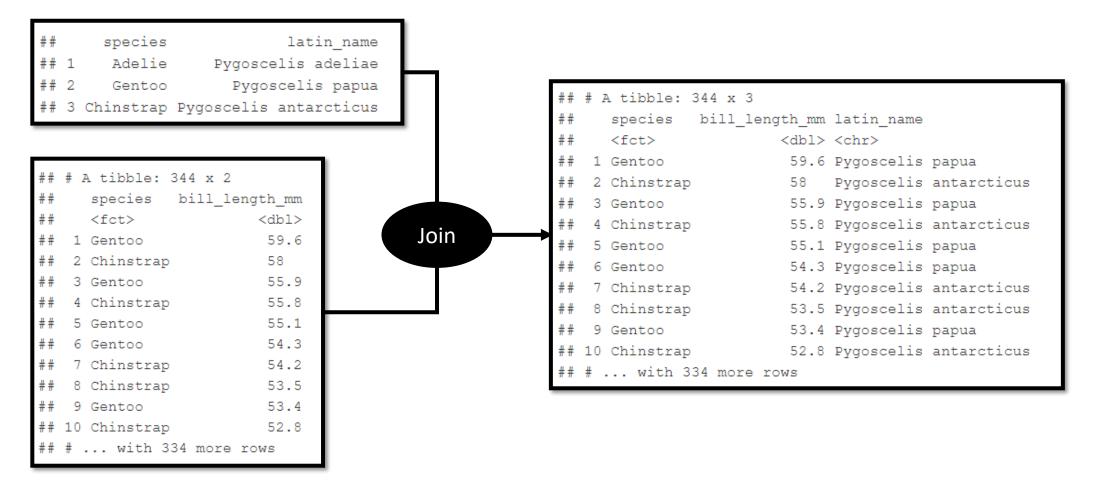


Now take a break!





Join functions allow us to fuse multiple data frames.





First we extract a data frame of bill lengths by species.

```
penguin_bill_lenghts_df <- penguins %>%
  arrange(desc(bill_length_mm))%>%
  select(species,bill_length_mm)
penguin_bill_lenghts_df
```

```
## # A tibble: 344 x 2
  species bill length mm
  <fct> <dbl>
  1 Gentoo 59.6
  2 Chinstrap 58
 3 Gentoo
         55.9
## 4 Chinstrap 55.8
## 5 Gentoo 55.1
## 6 Gentoo 54.3
  7 Chinstrap 54.2
## 8 Chinstrap 53.5
 9 Gentoo
              53.4
## 10 Chinstrap 52.8
## # ... with 334 more rows
```



Next we create a data frame of latin species names.

```
species<-unique(penguins$species)
latin_name<-c("Pygoscelis adeliae", "Pygoscelis papua", "Pygoscelis antarcticus")
latin_names_df<-data.frame(species, latin_name)
latin_names_df</pre>
```

```
## species latin_name
## 1 Adelie Pygoscelis adeliae
## 2 Gentoo Pygoscelis papua
## 3 Chinstrap Pygoscelis antarcticus
```



Finally we can fuse these two data frames with a join function.

```
penguin_bill_lenghts_df %>%
  inner_join(latin_names_df)
```



What happens when the set of values on the common column is not the same for both tables?

```
band_members

## # A tibble: 3 x 2
## name band
## <chr> <chr>
## 1 Mick Stones
## 2 John Beatles
## 3 Paul Beatles

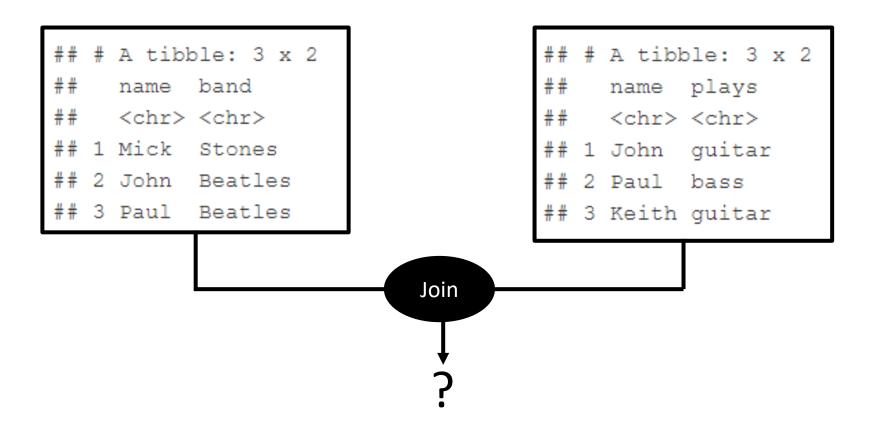
band_instruments

## A tibble: 3 x 2
## name plays
## chr> <chr>
## 1 John guitar
## 2 Paul bass
## 3 Keith guitar
```

"Mick" only appears in "band_members" and "Keith" only appears in "band_instruments".



What happens when the set of values on the common column is not the same for both tables?



There are four basic join functions, each of which deals with missing rows differently.



The inner join extracts the rows with a common entry in both tables.

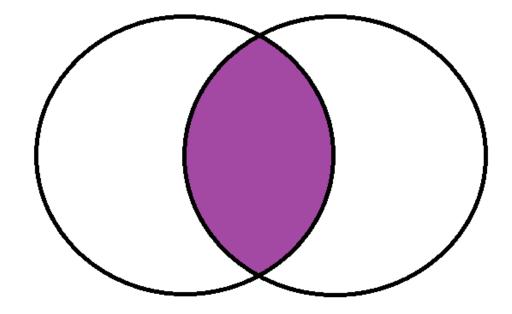
```
band_members

## # A tibble: 3 x 2
## name band
## chr> chr>
## 1 Mick Stones
## 2 John Beatles
## 3 Paul Beatles
## 3 Keith guitar
## 3 Keith guitar
```

inner_join(band_members,band_instruments)

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 3
## name band plays
## <chr> <chr> <chr>
## 1 John Beatles guitar
## 2 Paul Beatles bass
```

Inner join

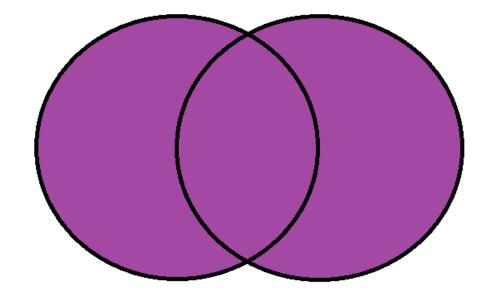




The full join (also known as an outer join) extracts the rows with an entry in either tables.

```
band members
                            band_instruments
## # A tibble: 3 x 2
                            ## # A tibble: 3 x 2
                                 name plays
    name band
    <chr> <chr>
                                 <chr> <chr>
## 1 Mick Stones
                            ## 1 John quitar
## 2 John Beatles
                            ## 2 Paul bass
## 3 Paul Beatles
                            ## 3 Keith guitar
full join (band members, band instruments)
## # A tibble: 4 x 3
     name band
                  plays
     <chr> <chr>
                  <chr>
## 1 Mick Stones <NA>
    John Beatles quitar
    Paul Beatles bass
## 4 Keith <NA>
                  guitar
```

Full join

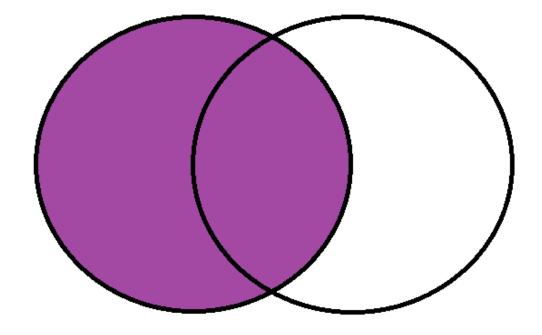




The left join extracts the rows with an entry in the left table.

```
band members
                            band instruments
                            ## # A tibble: 3 x 2
## # A tibble: 3 x 2
     name band
                                 name plays
     <chr> <chr>
                                 <chr> <chr>
## 1 Mick Stones
                            ## 1 John quitar
## 2 John Beatles
                            ## 2 Paul bass
## 3 Paul Beatles
                            ## 3 Keith guitar
left join (band members, band instruments)
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
    name band
                  plays
    <chr> <chr>
                  <chr>
## 1 Mick Stones <NA>
## 2 John Beatles guitar
## 3 Paul Beatles bass
```

Left join





The right join extracts the rows with an entry in the right table.

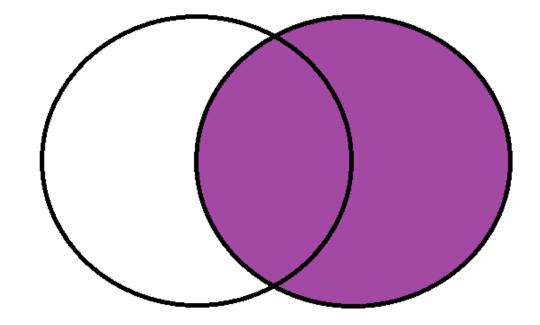
```
band_members

## # A tibble: 3 x 2
## name band
## <chr> <chr>
## 1 Mick Stones
## 2 John Beatles
## 3 Paul Beatles
## 3 Neith guitar
## 3 Keith guitar

right_join(band_members, band_instruments)
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
## name band plays
## <chr> <chr> <chr>
## 1 John Beatles guitar
## 2 Paul Beatles bass
## 3 Keith <NA> guitar
```

Right join





What have we covered?

- We introduced the dplyr library for data wrangling.
- We saw how the select and filter functions allow us to extract sub-tables.
- We saw that the mutate function allows us to add new coloumns.
- We explored fast ways to get summary data frames with the summarize and groupby functions.
- We learnt how to fuse tables together with different types of join function.





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