# Dealing with Missing Values

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#### Introduction

This document will help you to deal with missing data in a dataset. Missing data is part of any real world data analysis. We have seen some missing data while dealing with the cleaning Data using tidyr. Missing values can crop up in unexpected places, making analyses challenging to understand. In this document, you will revise the use of tidyverse tools and you will be introduced to a new package called naniar R package to visualize missing values. You'll tidy missing values so they can be used in analysis and explore missing values to find bias in the data. Lastly, you'll reveal other underlying patterns of missingness. You will also learn how to "fill in the blanks" of missing values with imputation models, and how to visualize, assess, and make decisions based on these imputed datasets.

Prerequisite: Basics of R + Tidyverse packages+ Statistical modelling in R Note: Please complete the exercises in the tidyverse packages and statistical modelling using R documents.

## Why do we care about missing data?

The best thing to do with missing data is not to have any. But unfortunately, Working with real world data means working with missing data. This document will give you an idea to work with missing values. Understanding how missing data works is important as they can have unexpected effects on your analysis. For example, fitting a linear model on data with missing values deletes chunks of data. This means your decisions are not based on the right evidence. Replacing missing values are known as imputations. This should be very carefully and will depend on the type of data you are dealing with. Inserting mean value, in the place of missing value can lead to poor estimate and decision at times.

We will learn the following in this document:

- What missing values are
- How to find missing data
- How to wrangle and tidy missing data
- Explore why is data missing

#### • Impute missing values

What is meant by missing value?

Missing values are values that should have been recorded but were not. NA= **Not Available** How to check missing values?

Missing values are usually like checking needle in a haystack. But there are packages which can help in making this task easier. For this tutorial install *naniar* package.

```
install.packages("naniar")
install.packages("visdat")
```

Some examples on missing values:

## [1] NaN

When working with missing data, there are a couple of commands that you should be familiar with - firstly, you should be able to identify if there are any missing values, and where these are.

Using the any\_na() and are\_na() tools, identify which values are missing.

```
library(naniar)
x \leftarrow c(1, NA, 3, NA, NA, 5)
any_na(x)
## [1] TRUE
are_na(x)
## [1] FALSE TRUE FALSE TRUE TRUE FALSE
n_{miss}(x)
## [1] 3
prop_miss(x)
## [1] 0.5
any_na(NaN)
## [1] TRUE
any_na(NULL)
## [1] FALSE
any_na(Inf)
## [1] FALSE
#What happens if we mix missing values with our calculations and comparisons
NA | TRUE
## [1] TRUE
NA | FALSE
## [1] NA
NA + NaN
## [1] NA
NaN + NA
```

```
# Create x, a vector, with values NA, NaN, Inf, ".", and "missing"
x <- c(NA, NaN, Inf, ".", "missing")

# Use any_na() and are_na() on to explore the missings
any_na(x)

## [1] TRUE
are_na(x)</pre>
```

## [1] TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE

#### How many Missing values are there?

One of the first things that you will want to check with a new dataset is if there are any missing missing values, and how many there are.

You could use  $are\_na()$  to and count up the missing values, but the most efficient way to count missings is to use the  $n\_miss()$  function. This will tell you the total number of missing values in the data.

You can then find the percent of missing values in the data with the pct\_miss function. This will tell you the percentage of missing values in the data.

You can also find the complement to these - how many complete values there are - using  $n\_complete$  and  $pct\_complete$ .

Now that you understand the behavior of missing values in R, and how to count them, let's scale up to more detailed summaries of missingness. We need to summarise missing data to identify variables, cases or patterns of missingness, as these can bias our data analysis. There are two main summaries: basic and dataframe summaries. Basic summaries return a single number, like the number of missing or complete values using 'n' miss or 'n complete'. However you will need more detailed missingness summaries to help you on your journey through data analysis.

The nainiar package contains a family of functions all starting with *miss\_*, which each of them provide different summaries of missingness, and return a dataframe. This allows us to see features that can be difficult to articulate or time consuming to calculate. For example *miss\_var\_summary* and *miss\_case\_summary* return the number and percentage of missings in each variable or case. These summaries work well with *dplyr* s *group by*, so you can fluidly explore missingness by each groups.

We can use  $miss\_var\_summary$  to summarise the number of missings in each variable. This returns a dataframe where each row is a variable. It also includes the summaries of the number and percentage of missings for each variable in the dataset, and is sorted by the number of missings. The  $miss\_case\_summary$  returns a summary dataframe, where each case represents a dataset row number. Tabulation of missingness counts the number of times there are 0,1,2,3 and so on missings. They are very useful compact summaries that reveal interesting structure.  $miss\_var\_table$  returns a dataframe with number of missings in a variable, and the number and percentage of variables affected.  $miss\_case\_table$  returns the same information but for cases.

We can also look at the missingness over a span or run for a given variable using <code>miss\_var\_span</code> and <code>miss\_var\_run</code>. These can be really useful for data with many regular measurements, like time series data. <code>miss\_var\_span</code> calculates the number of missings in a variable for a repeating span. This is useful in time series data to look for weekly 7 day patterns of missingness. <code>miss\_var\_span</code> returns a dataframe with columns "span\_counter" which identifies the span- the first, second and so on, and also includes the number and proportion of missing and complete values. <code>miss\_var\_run</code> returns the "runs" or "streaks" of missingness. This is useful to try and find unusual patterns of missingnesss. It returns the length of run of "complete" and "missing" data. This is particularly useful in finding repeating patterns of missingness.

#### Summarizing missingness

Sometimes you are interested in missingness for groups of data. Each missingness summary function can be calculated by group, using  $by\_group$  from dplyr. Here we will be using  $miss\_var\_summary()$  and  $miss\_case\_summary()$ , and also explore how they can be applied for groups in a dataframe, using the  $group\_by$  function from dplyr. We will do the following tasks:

Calculate summaries of missingness in the air quality dataset for variables using the  $miss\_var\_summary()$  function.

Calculate summaries of missingness in the airquality dataset for the cases using the  $miss\_case\_summary()$  function.

Using the airquality dataset, use  $group \ by()$  to create summaries for each variable and case, by each Month.

```
# Summarise missingness in each variable of the `airquality` dataset
miss_var_summary(airquality)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
##
     variable n_miss pct_miss
##
     <chr>>
                <int>
                          <dbl>
## 1 Ozone
                   37
                         24.2
## 2 Solar.R
                    7
                          4.58
## 3 Wind
                    0
## 4 Temp
                    0
                          0
## 5 Month
                    0
                          0
## 6 Day
                    0
                          0
```

# Summarise missingness in each case of the `airquality` dataset
miss\_case\_summary(airquality)

```
## # A tibble: 153 x 3
##
       case n_miss pct_miss
             <int>
##
      <int>
                        <dbl>
##
    1
           5
                  2
                         33.3
##
    2
          27
                  2
                         33.3
##
                         16.7
    3
           6
                  1
                         16.7
##
    4
          10
                  1
##
    5
                  1
                         16.7
          11
    6
          25
##
                  1
                         16.7
##
    7
          26
                  1
                         16.7
    8
          32
                  1
                         16.7
##
          33
##
    9
                  1
                         16.7
          34
                  1
                         16.7
## 10
## # ... with 143 more rows
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows
```

library(dplyr)

```
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
## filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
## intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
```

```
# Return the summary of missingness in each variable, grouped by Month, in the `airquality` dataset
airquality %>% group_by(Month) %>% miss_var_summary()
## # A tibble: 25 x 4
## # Groups:
               Month [5]
##
      Month variable n_miss pct_miss
##
      <int> <chr>
                       <int>
                                 <dbl>
##
          5 Ozone
                                  16.1
    1
                            5
##
          5 Solar.R
                            4
                                  12.9
                            0
                                   0
##
    3
          5 Wind
                            0
                                   0
##
    4
          5 Temp
##
   5
          5 Day
                            0
                                   0
##
    6
          6 Ozone
                          21
                                  70
    7
          6 Solar.R
                            0
                                   0
##
                            0
                                   0
##
    8
          6 Wind
   9
                            0
                                   0
##
          6 Temp
## 10
          6 Day
                            0
                                   0
## # ... with 15 more rows
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows
# Return the summary of missingness in each case, grouped by Month, in the `airquality` dataset
airquality %>% group_by(Month) %>% miss_case_summary()
## # A tibble: 153 x 4
##
   # Groups:
               Month [5]
##
      Month case n_miss pct_miss
##
      <int> <int>
                    <int>
                              <dbl>
##
    1
          5
                 5
                        2
                                 40
##
    2
          5
                27
                        2
                                 40
##
    3
          5
                 6
                                 20
                        1
##
    4
          5
                10
                        1
                                 20
##
    5
          5
                        1
                                 20
                11
##
    6
          5
                25
                        1
                                 20
##
    7
          5
                26
                                 20
                        1
          5
##
    8
                 1
                        0
                                  0
                 2
                                  0
##
    9
          5
                        0
```

Now you have learned to summarise missingness for variables and cases for each groups!

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#### Tabulating Missingness

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## # ... with 143 more rows

3

## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows

## 10

The summaries of missingness we just calculated give us the number and percentage of missing observations for the cases and variables.

Another way to summarise missingness is by tabulating the number of times that there are 0, 1, 2, 3, missings in a variable, or in a case. For the *airquality* dataset: Tabulate missingness for each variable using  $miss\_var\_table()$ . Tabulate missingness for every case using  $miss\_case\_table()$ . Combine previous tabulations with dplyr's  $group\_by()$  function to create tabulations for each variable and case, by each Month.

```
# Tabulate missingness in each variable and case of the `airquality` dataset miss_var_table(airquality)
```

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

```
##
     n_miss_in_var n_vars pct_vars
##
             <int> <int>
                               <dbl>
## 1
                                66.7
                  0
                         4
## 2
                  7
                                16.7
                         1
## 3
                 37
                         1
                                16.7
```

miss\_case\_table(airquality)

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
     n_miss_in_case n_cases pct_cases
##
              <int>
                       <int>
                                  <dbl>
## 1
                   0
                         111
                                  72.5
## 2
                   1
                          40
                                  26.1
## 3
                   2
                           2
                                   1.31
```

# Tabulate the missingness in each variable, grouped by Month, in the `airquality` dataset airquality %>% group\_by(Month) %>% miss\_var\_table()

```
## # A tibble: 12 x 4
## # Groups:
                Month [5]
##
      Month n_miss_in_var n_vars pct_vars
##
      <int>
                     <int> <int>
##
   1
           5
                          0
                                  3
                                          60
##
    2
           5
                          4
                                  1
                                          20
                                          20
##
                          5
                                  1
    3
           5
##
    4
           6
                          0
                                  4
                                          80
##
   5
          6
                         21
                                  1
                                          20
##
   6
          7
                                          80
                          0
    7
          7
                                  1
                                          20
##
                          5
##
    8
                                  3
                                          60
          8
                          0
                                          20
##
   9
          8
                          3
                                  1
## 10
          8
                          5
                                  1
                                          20
## 11
                                  4
                                          80
          9
                          0
## 12
           9
                          1
                                  1
                                          20
```

# Tabulate of missingness in each case, grouped by Month, in the `airquality` dataset
airquality %>% group\_by(Month) %>% miss\_case\_table()

```
## # A tibble: 11 x 4
## # Groups:
                Month [5]
##
      Month n_miss_in_case n_cases pct_cases
##
      <int>
                      <int>
                               <int>
                                          <dbl>
          5
                           0
                                  24
                                          77.4
##
   1
##
    2
          5
                           1
                                   5
                                          16.1
##
                           2
                                   2
                                           6.45
    3
          5
##
   4
          6
                           0
                                   9
                                          30
##
   5
                                  21
                                          70
          6
                           1
##
    6
          7
                           0
                                  26
                                          83.9
##
   7
          7
                                          16.1
                           1
                                   5
##
   8
          8
                           0
                                  23
                                          74.2
## 9
          8
                           1
                                   8
                                          25.8
## 10
                           0
                                  29
                                          96.7
          9
## 11
                                   1
                                           3.33
```

Now lets do this for *pedestrian* dataset

#### Other summaries of missingness

Some summaries of missingness are particularly useful for different types of data. For example,  $miss\_var\_span()$  and  $miss\_var\_run()$ .

miss\_var\_span() calculates the number of missing values in a specified variable for a repeating span. This is really useful in time series data, to look for weekly (7 day) patterns of missingness

miss\_var\_run() calculates the number of "runs" or "streaks" of missingness. This is useful to find unusual patterns of missingness, for example, you might find a repeating pattern of 5 complete and 5 missings.

Both miss\_var\_span() and miss\_var\_run() work with the group\_by operator from dplyr.

Using the *pedestrian* dataset from naniar:

Calculate summaries of missingness for the variables in datasets using  $miss\_var\_span()$ , for a span of 4000. Calculate summaries of missingness for the cases in datasets using  $miss\_var\_run()$ . Combine with dplyr's group\_by operator for month.

# Calculate the summaries for each run of missingness for the variable, hourly\_counts
miss\_var\_run(pedestrian, var = hourly\_counts)

```
## # A tibble: 35 x 2
##
      run_length is_na
           <int> <chr>
##
            6628 complete
##
    1
##
    2
                1 missing
    3
##
            5250 complete
##
    4
             624 missing
##
    5
            3652 complete
##
    6
                1 missing
    7
##
            1290 complete
##
    8
             744 missing
##
    9
            7420 complete
## 10
                1 missing
## # ... with 25 more rows
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows
```

# Calculate the summaries for each span of missingness, for a span of 4000, for the variable hourly\_cou
miss\_var\_span(pedestrian, var = hourly\_counts, span\_every = 4000)

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 6
##
      span_counter n_miss n_complete prop_miss prop_complete n_in_span
##
              <int>
                      <int>
                                   <int>
                                              <dbl>
                                                              <dbl>
                                                                         <int>
##
                                                                          4000
                           0
                                    4000
                                            0
                                                              1
    1
                   1
##
    2
                   2
                           1
                                    3999
                                           0.00025
                                                              1.00
                                                                          4000
##
    3
                   3
                        121
                                    3879
                                           0.0302
                                                              0.970
                                                                          4000
##
    4
                   4
                        503
                                    3497
                                           0.126
                                                              0.874
                                                                          4000
    5
                   5
                                    3255
                                                              0.814
##
                        745
                                           0.186
                                                                          4000
##
    6
                   6
                           0
                                    4000
                                                                          4000
                                            0
                                                              1
    7
                   7
##
                           1
                                    3999
                                            0.00025
                                                              1.00
                                                                          4000
##
    8
                   8
                                    4000
                                            0
                                                                          4000
                           0
                                                              1
##
    9
                   9
                        745
                                    3255
                                            0.186
                                                              0.814
                                                                          4000
                                    1268
                                                              0.746
                                                                          1700
## 10
                  10
                        432
                                            0.254
```

# For each `month` variable, calculate the run of missingness for hourly\_counts
pedestrian %>% group\_by(month) %>% miss\_var\_run(hourly\_counts)

## # A tibble: 51 x 3

```
##
      month
                run_length is_na
##
      <ord>
                     <int> <chr>
                      2976 complete
##
    1 January
##
    2 February
                      2784 complete
                      2976 complete
##
    3 March
##
    4 April
                       888 complete
##
    5 April
                       552 missing
##
    6 April
                      1440 complete
##
    7 May
                       744 complete
##
    8 May
                         72 missing
    9 May
                      2160 complete
##
## 10 June
                      2880 complete
## # ... with 41 more rows
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows
# For each `month` variable, calculate the span of missingness of a span of 2000, for the variable hour
pedestrian %>% group_by(month) %% miss_var_span(var = hourly_counts, span_every =2000)
## # A tibble: 25 x 7
## # Groups:
                month [12]
##
      month
                span_counter n_miss n_complete prop_miss prop_complete n_in_span
##
      <ord>
                        <int>
                               <int>
                                           <int>
                                                      <dbl>
                                                                     <dbl>
                                                                                <int>
##
    1 January
                            1
                                   0
                                            2000
                                                      0
                                                                     1
                                                                                 2000
##
    2 January
                            2
                                   0
                                             976
                                                      0
                                                                     1
                                                                                  976
                                   0
                            1
                                            2000
                                                      0
                                                                     1
                                                                                 2000
##
    3 February
                            2
                                   0
                                                      0
                                                                     1
##
    4 February
                                             784
                                                                                  784
                            1
                                   0
                                                      0
##
    5 March
                                            2000
                                                                     1
                                                                                 2000
##
    6 March
                            2
                                   0
                                             976
                                                      0
                                                                     1
                                                                                  976
##
    7 April
                            1
                                 552
                                            1448
                                                      0.276
                                                                     0.724
                                                                                 2000
                            2
##
    8 April
                                   0
                                             880
                                                      0
                                                                     1
                                                                                  880
                                  72
##
    9 May
                            1
                                            1928
                                                      0.036
                                                                     0.964
                                                                                 2000
                            2
                                                                                  976
## 10 May
                                   0
                                             976
                                                      0
                                                                     1
## # ... with 15 more rows
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows
```

You have now learnt how to summarise missingness over repeating spans, and find runs of missingness!

#### Missing data visualizations - Introduction

## # Groups:

month [12]

Lets take a look at some builtin visualizations that comes with naniar. Data summaries are very useful, but sometimes an idea or thought can be quickly captured with a visualisation. Each visualisation is a nice compact shorthand for the data summaries. When you first get a dataset it can be difficult to get a visual sense of where the missings are. To get an overview of the amount of missingness we will use the  $vis\_miss$  function in visdat package.  $vis\_miss$  produces a "heatmap" of the missingness - like as if the plot correspond to the dataset as a giant spread sheet, with values coloured black for missing and grey for present.  $vis\_miss$  also provides missingness summary statistics, showing the overall percentage of missingness in the legend, and the amount of missingness in each variable.  $vis\_miss$  also allows clustering of missing data by setting cluster=TRUE: this orders the rows by missingnesss to identify common co-occurences. To quickly show the missingness in variables and cases, we visualise them using  $gg\_miss\_var$  and  $gg\_miss\_case$ . These are visual analogues of the  $miss\_var\_summary$  and  $miss\_case\_summary$  functions.

To visualize the common combinations of missingness - which variables and cases go missing together, we use  $gg\_miss\_upset$ . This powerful visualization shows the number of combinations of missing values that co-occur. To explore how missigness in each variable changes across a factor, use  $gg\_miss\_fct$ . This displays

a heatmap visualisation showing the factors on the x-axis, and other variables on the y-axis, and the amount of missingness coloured from dark purple to yellow.  $gg\_miss\_fct$  does not support facetting.

 $gg\_miss\_span$  is the visual analogue of  $miss\_var\_span$ . This calculates the number of missings in a given span, say the number of missings for every 3000 rows. It displays the amount of missing values in each span in a filled barplot.  $gg\_miss\_span$  supports facetting.

The function  $vis\_miss()$  creates an overview visualization of the missingness in the data. It also has options to cluster rows based on missingness, using cluster = TRUE; as well as options for sorting the columns, from most missing to least missing (sort\\_miss = TRUE)

Using the *riskfactors* dataset from *naniar*:

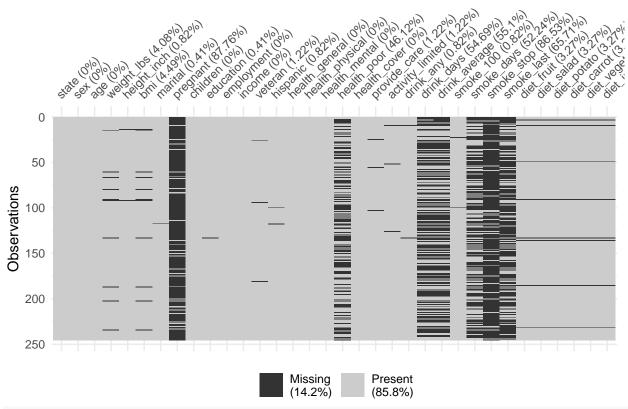
Use  $vis\_miss()$  to visualise the missingness in the data.

Use  $vis\_miss()$  with cluster = TRUE to explore some clusters of missingness.

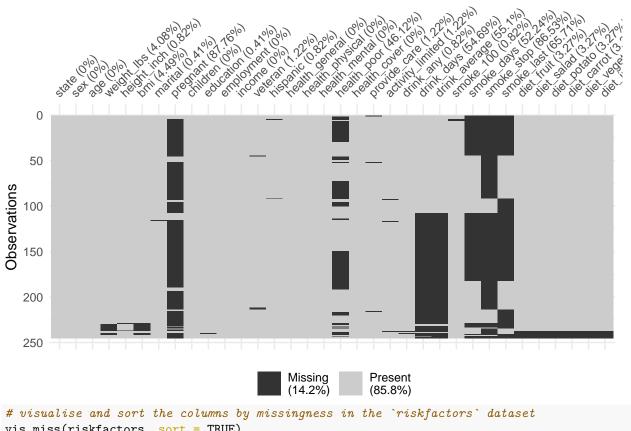
Use vis miss() and sort the missings with sort miss to arrange the columns by missingness.

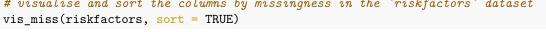
```
# Visualize all of the missingness in the `riskfactors` dataset
vis_miss(riskfactors)
```

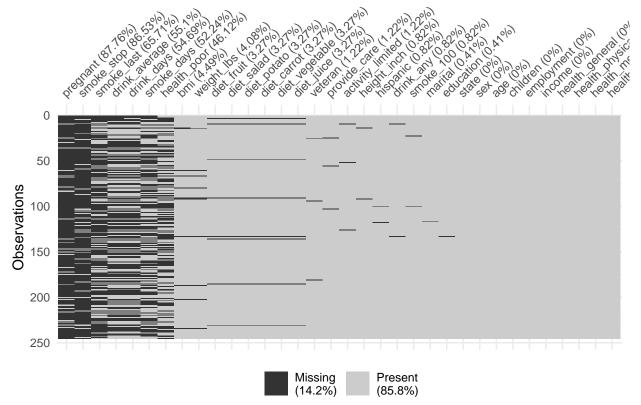
- ## Warning: `gather\_()` was deprecated in tidyr 1.2.0.
- ## Please use `gather()` instead.
- ## This warning is displayed once every 8 hours.
- ## Call `lifecycle::last\_lifecycle\_warnings()` to see where this warning was generated.



# Visualize and cluster all of the missingness in the `riskfactors` dataset
vis\_miss(riskfactors, cluster = TRUE)





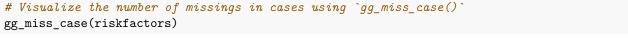


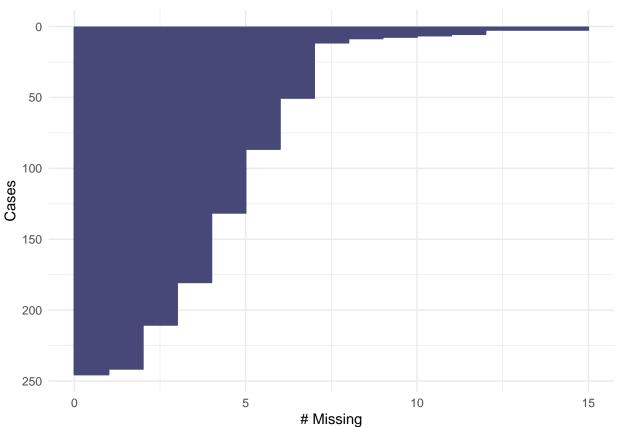
To get a clear picture of the missingness across variables and cases, use  $gg\_miss\_var()$  and  $gg\_miss\_case()$ .

These are the visual counterpart to miss\_var\_summary() and miss\_case\_summary().

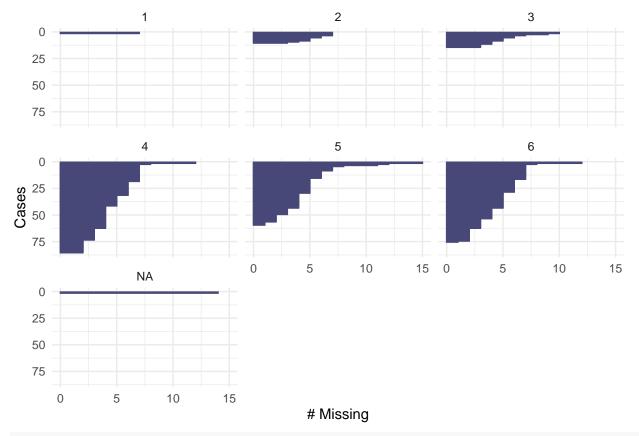
These can be split up into multiple plots with one for each category by choosing a variable to facet by. Using the *riskfactors* dataset:

Visualize the number of missings in cases using  $gg\_miss\_case()$ . Explore the number of missings in cases using  $gg\_miss\_case()$  and facet by the variable education. Visualize the number of missings in variables using  $gg\_miss\_var()$ . Explore the number of missings in variables using  $gg\_miss\_var()$  and facet by the variable education.



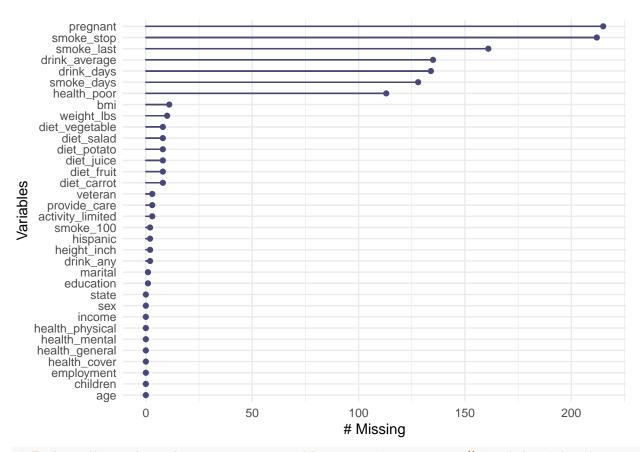


# Explore the number of missings in cases using `gg\_miss\_case()` and facet by the variable `education`
gg\_miss\_case(riskfactors, facet = education)



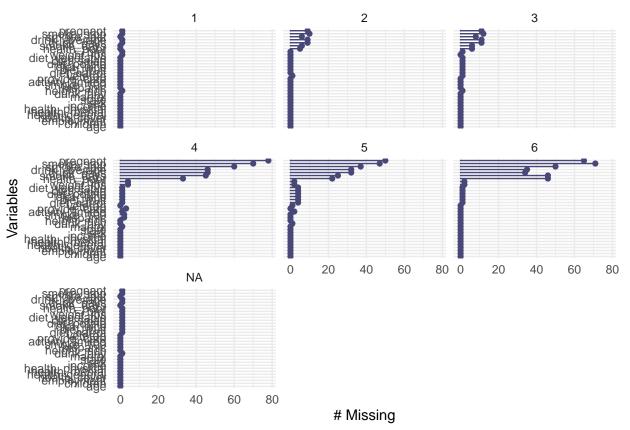
# Visualize the number of missings in variables using `gg\_miss\_var()`
gg\_miss\_var(riskfactors)

## Warning: It is deprecated to specify `guide = FALSE` to remove a guide. Please
## use `guide = "none"` instead.



# Explore the number of missings in variables using `gg\_miss\_var()` and facet by the variable `educatio gg\_miss\_var(riskfactors, facet = education)

## Warning: It is deprecated to specify `guide = FALSE` to remove a guide. Please
## use `guide = "none"` instead.



You have learnt to visualise missingness in a dataset for variables and cases, and explore how other variables interact with missingness.

## Visualising missingness patterns

Let's practice a few different ways to vizualise patterns of missingness using:

 $gg\_miss\_upset()$  to give an overall pattern of missingness.  $gg\_miss\_fct()$  for a dataset that has a factor of interest: marriage. and  $gg\_miss\_span()$  to explore the missingness in a time series dataset.

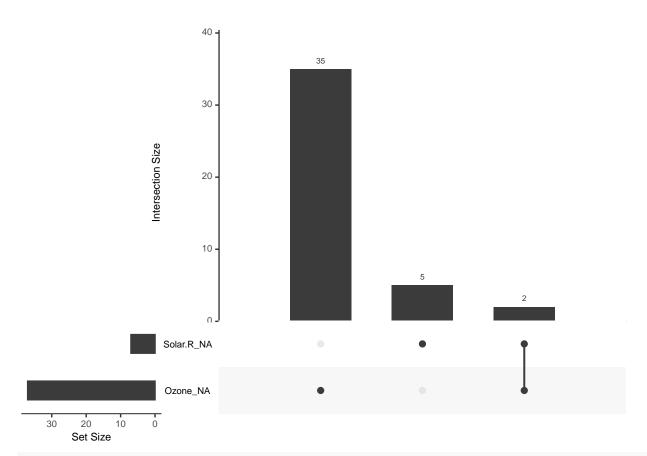
Lets try the following:

Explore missingness pattern of the airquality dataset with  $gg\_miss\_upset()$ .

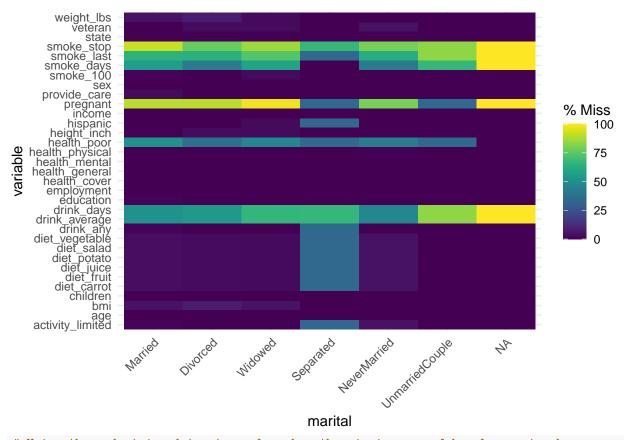
Explore how the missingness changes in the riskfactors dataset across the marital variable using  $gg\_miss\_fct()$  Explore how the missingness changes in the pedestrian dataset across the  $hourly\_counts$  variable over a span of 3000 (you can also try different spans from 2000-5000).

Explore the impact of month on hourly\_counts by including it in the facet argument, with a span of 1000.

 $\hbox{\it\# Using the airquality dataset, explore the missingness pattern using $gg$\_miss$\_upset()$ $gg$\_miss$\_upset(airquality)$ }$ 

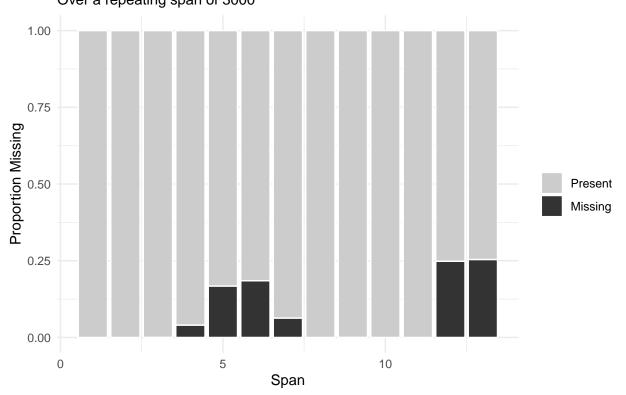


# With the riskfactors dataset, explore how the missingness changes across the marital variable using g gg\_miss\_fct(x = x) riskfactors, fct = marital)



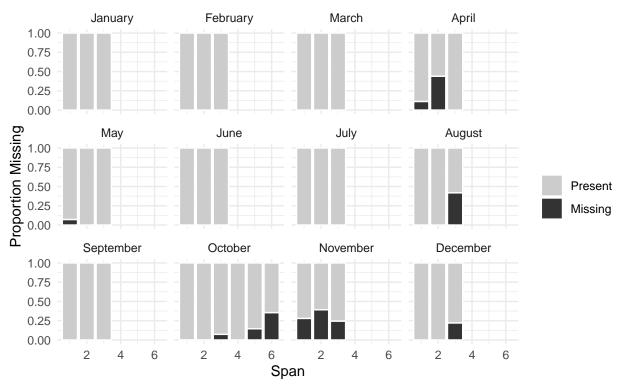
# Using the pedestrian dataset, explore how the missingness of hourly\_counts changes over a span of 300
gg\_miss\_span(pedestrian, var = hourly\_counts, span\_every = 3000)

# Proportion of missing values Over a repeating span of 3000



# Using the pedestrian dataset, explore the impact of month by facetting by month
# and explore how missingness changes for a span of 1000
gg\_miss\_span(pedestrian, var = hourly\_counts , span\_every = 1000, facet = month)

# Proportion of missing values Over a repeating span of 1000



We have leart to visualise different missingness patterns for different kinds of data.

# Wrangling and tidying up missing values

We have seen multiple methods of visualizing missing values !!! But that time, you have assumed that the missing values will be always coded as "NA". But this is often not the case with real world datasets. This section will throw some light on the assumptions in missing data and how to look for missing data. If you have some data where missing values are not labelled as "NA' but as "missing", "Not Available", "N/A". In this section, we will see how to identify missing values and replace them with "NA" values, once found.

#### Using miss\_scan\_count

You have a dataset with missing values coded as "N/A", "missing", and "na". But before we go ahead and start replacing these with NA, we should get an idea of how big the problem is.

Use miss\_scan\_count to count the possible missings in the dataset, *pacman*, a dataset of *pacman scores*, containing three columns:

year: the year that person made that score. initial: the initials of the person. score: the scores of that person.

For the pacman dataset, use miss scan\_count() to search for strange missing values:

"N/A", "missing", "na", and " " (a single space). To search for strange missing values all at once.

```
pacman<-read.csv("pacman.csv")
# Explore the strange missing values "N/A"
miss_scan_count(data = pacman, search = list("N/A"))</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 7 x 2
   Variable n
##
   <chr> <int>
##
## 1 X
              0
## 2 year
                0
## 3 month
              0
## 4 day
## 5 initial
              0
## 6 score
              100
## 7 country
                0
# Explore the strange missing values "missing"
miss_scan_count(data = pacman, search = list("missing"))
## # A tibble: 7 x 2
##
   Variable n
##
    <chr> <int>
## 1 X
## 2 year
              93
## 3 month
             93
## 4 day
              93
## 5 initial
              0
## 6 score
                0
              0
## 7 country
# Explore the strange missing values "na"
miss_scan_count(data = pacman, search = list("na"))
## # A tibble: 7 x 2
##
   Variable n
##
   <chr> <int>
## 1 X
             0
## 2 year
             100
## 3 month
             100
             100
## 4 day
## 5 initial
              0
## 6 score
                0
              0
## 7 country
# Explore the strange missing values " " (a single space)
miss_scan_count(data = pacman, search = list(" "))
## # A tibble: 7 x 2
##
   Variable n
##
   <chr> <int>
## 1 X
## 2 year
                0
## 3 month
                0
## 4 day
                0
## 5 initial
## 6 score
                0
## 7 country
                0
# Explore all of the strange missing values, "N/A", "missing", "na", " "
miss_scan_count(data = pacman, search = list("N/A", "missing", "na", " "))
```

## # A tibble: 7 x 2

```
##
     Variable
                   n
##
     <chr>>
               <int>
## 1 X
                   0
## 2 year
                 193
## 3 month
                 193
                 193
## 4 day
## 5 initial
                   0
## 6 score
                 100
## 7 country
                   0
```

You've learned how to search for and count strange missing values

```
###Using replace with na
```

```
# Print the top of the pacman data using `head()
pacman<-read.csv("pacman.csv")</pre>
head(pacman)
##
     X year month day initial
                                 score country
                          LEX 2065812
## 1 1 2007
               10
                   27
                                            CA
                8 23
                                            JP
## 2 2 1995
                          PNY 1163465
## 3 3 1980
                2
                    8
                          MBJ 175380
## 4 4 1982
                5
                    9
                           QRC 2025632
                                            ES
## 5 5
         na
               na
                   na
                          YPZ
                               925357
                                            NZ
## 6 6 2013
               11
                          RVJ
                               319733
                                            AU
                   15
# Replace the strange missing values "N/A", "na", and "missing" with `NA` for the variables, year, and
pacman_clean <- replace_with_na(pacman, replace = list(year = c("N/A", "na", "missing"),</pre>
                                 score = c("N/A", "na", "missing")))
# Test if `pacman clean` still has these values in it?
miss_scan_count(pacman_clean, search = list("N/A", "na", "missing"))
## # A tibble: 7 x 2
```

```
##
     Variable
##
     <chr>>
               <int>
## 1 X
## 2 year
                   0
## 3 month
                 193
## 4 day
                 193
## 5 initial
                   0
## 6 score
                   0
## 7 country
                   0
```

You've now learned how to search for, replace, and confirm strange missing values in a dataset.

#### Using replace with na scoped variants

To reduce code repetition when replacing values with NA, use the "scoped variants" of replace with na():

- replace\_with\_na\_at()
- replace\_with\_na\_if()
- replace\_with\_na\_all() The syntax of replacement looks like this:  $\sim x = "N/A"$  This replaces all cases that are equal to "N/A".

```
\sim x~\%in\%~c("N/A",~"missing",~"na",~"~") Replaces all cases that have "N/A", "missing", "na", or " ".
```

Lets try the following:

For the dataset pacman replace the same special missing values, "N/A", "missing", "na", and " ":

```
year, month, and day, using replace_with_na_at(). Only character variables using replace_with_na_if(). All variables using replace with na all().
```

Now you have learned to use the powerful scoped variants of replace with na() to replace values with NA.

#### Fix implicit missings using complete()

So far we have discussed about how to handle explore and search for and replace missing values. These values are explicitly missing. It is little more difficult to deal with implicit missing values. i.e values that are implied to be missing, but might not be explicitly listed. They are infact **missing**, missing values. So we will be dealing with those values which are not even in the data. To make implicit missing values explicit, we can use the *complete* function from *tidyr* package.

We are going to explore a new dataset, frogger.

This dataset contains 4 scores per player recorded at different times: morning, afternoon, evening, and late\_night.

Every player should have played 4 games, one at each of these times, but it looks like not every player completed all of these games.

Use the *complete()* function to make these implicit missing values explicit

```
# Print the frogger data to have a look at it
frogger<-read.csv("frogger.csv")
frogger</pre>
```

```
##
      S.No
              name
                           time value X
## 1
                        morning
                                  6678 NA
         1
             jesse
                      afternoon 800060 NA
## 2
         2
             jesse
## 3
         3
             jesse
                        evening 475528 NA
## 4
         4
             jesse
                    late_night 143533 NA
         5
                        morning 425115 NA
## 5
              andy
## 6
         6
              andy
                     afternoon 587468 NA
## 7
         7
              andy
                    late night 111000 NA
## 8
         8
                     afternoon 588532 NA
               nic
## 9
         9
               nic
                    late_night 915533 NA
## 10
        10
               dan
                        morning 388148 NA
```

```
## 11
        11
               dan
                       evening 180912 NA
                       morning 552670 NA
## 12
        12
              alex
                     afternoon 98355 NA
## 13
        13
              alex
## 14
                       evening 266055 NA
        14
              alex
## 15
        15
              alex late_night 121056 NA
library(tidyr)
# Use `complete()` on the `time` and `name` variables to make implicit missing values explicit
frogger_tidy <- frogger %>% complete(name,time)
```

## Fix explicit missings using fill()\*\*

One type of missing value that can be obvious to deal with is where the first entry of a group is given, but subsequent entries are marked NA.

These missing values often result from empty values in spreadsheets to avoid entering multiple names multiple times; as well as for "human readability".

This type of problem can be solved by using the fill() function from the tidyr package.

```
# Print the frogger data to have a look at it frogger
```

```
##
      S.No
                                 value
              name
                           time
## 1
         1
             jesse
                        morning
                                   6678 NA
## 2
         2
                      afternoon 800060 NA
             jesse
## 3
         3
             jesse
                        evening 475528 NA
## 4
         4
             jesse
                     late_night 143533 NA
## 5
         5
              andy
                        morning 425115 NA
## 6
         6
              andy
                      afternoon 587468 NA
         7
## 7
              andy
                     late_night 111000 NA
## 8
         8
               nic
                      afternoon 588532 NA
## 9
         9
               nic
                     late_night 915533 NA
## 10
        10
                        morning 388148 NA
               dan
                        evening 180912 NA
## 11
        11
               dan
## 12
        12
              alex
                        morning 552670 NA
## 13
        13
              alex
                      afternoon 98355 NA
## 14
        14
                        evening 266055 NA
              alex
## 15
        15
              alex late_night 121056 NA
# Use `fill()` to fill down the name variable in the frogger dataset
frogger %>% fill(name)
```

```
##
      S.No
                                  value X
              name
                           time
## 1
         1
             jesse
                        morning
                                   6678 NA
## 2
         2
             jesse
                      afternoon 800060 NA
## 3
         3
             jesse
                        evening 475528 NA
## 4
         4
                     late_night 143533 NA
             jesse
## 5
         5
               andy
                        morning 425115 NA
                      afternoon 587468 NA
## 6
         6
              andy
## 7
         7
               andy
                     late night 111000 NA
## 8
         8
               nic
                      afternoon 588532 NA
## 9
         9
                     late_night 915533 NA
               nic
## 10
                        morning 388148 NA
        10
                dan
                        evening 180912 NA
## 11
        11
                dan
## 12
        12
               alex
                        morning 552670 NA
```

```
## 13    13    alex afternoon 98355 NA
## 14    14    alex    evening 266055 NA
## 15    15    alex late_night 121056 NA
```

The fill function makes it easy to fill down observations.

# Using complete() and fill() together\*\*

Now let's put it together!

complete(name, time)

Use complete() and fill() together to fix explicit and implicitly missing values in the frogger dataset. Use fill() and complete() to correctly fill and complete the values in the data so we went up with a dataset that has 5 names, all completed, each with 4 times filled in.

```
# Print the frogger data to have a look at it frogger
```

```
##
      S.No
              name
                           time
                                  value
## 1
                                   6678 NA
         1
             jesse
                        morning
## 2
         2
                      afternoon 800060 NA
             jesse
## 3
         3
                        evening 475528 NA
             jesse
##
  4
         4
             jesse
                     late_night 143533 NA
## 5
         5
              andy
                        morning 425115 NA
## 6
         6
              andy
                      afternoon 587468 NA
## 7
         7
              andy
                     late_night 111000 NA
## 8
         8
               nic
                      afternoon 588532 NA
## 9
         9
                     late_night 915533 NA
               nic
## 10
        10
               dan
                        morning 388148 NA
##
  11
        11
                dan
                        evening 180912 NA
## 12
        12
                        morning 552670 NA
              alex
## 13
        13
              alex
                      afternoon 98355 NA
## 14
        14
              alex
                        evening 266055 NA
## 15
        15
              alex late_night 121056 NA
# Correctly fill() and complete() missing values so that our dataset becomes sensible
frogger %>%
  fill(name) %>%
```

```
## # A tibble: 35 x 5
##
      name
                 time
                                 S.No
                                        value X
##
                                <dbl>
                                        <int> <lgl>
      <chr>
                 <chr>
    1 "
           nic" "
##
                      evening"
                                   NA
                                           NA NA
           nic" "
##
    2 "
                                   NA
                                           NA NA
                      morning"
    3 "
           nic" "
##
                     morning"
                                   NA
                                           NA NA
           nic" "
##
    4 "
                    afternoon"
                                    8 588532 NA
    5 "
##
           nic" "
                   late night"
                                   NA
                                           NA NA
    6 "
          andy" "
                                   NA
##
                      evening"
                                           NA NA
    7 "
##
          andy" "
                      morning"
                                   NA
                                           NA NA
          andy" "
    8 "
##
                     morning"
                                     5 425115 NA
##
    9 "
          andy" "
                                     6 587468 NA
                    afternoon"
## 10 "
          andy" " late night"
                                     7 111000 NA
         with 25 more rows
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows
```

Now we have correctly used the fill and complete functions in the right order to create a sensible dataset.

#### Exploring missingness dependence

After finding out the missing values, we need to decide whether to delete them or impute? Deleteing and imputing values can have some serious implications on future decisions that we make from our data. To help us frame these decisions we need to discuss some concepts in missing data theory- missing data dependence.

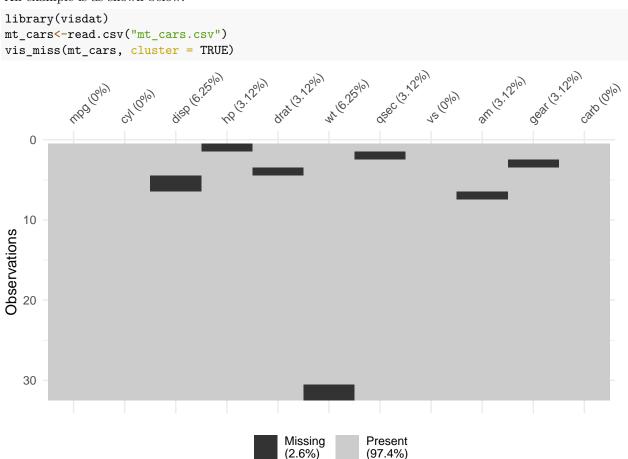
There can be three possible missingness:

#### • MCAR Missing Completely at Random

Missingness has no association with any data you have observed, or not observed. The implications are - Imputation is advisable - Deleting observations may reduce sample size, limiting inference, but will not bias [ideally do not delete unless there is less than 5% data loss]

- You should be imputing data

An example is as shown below:

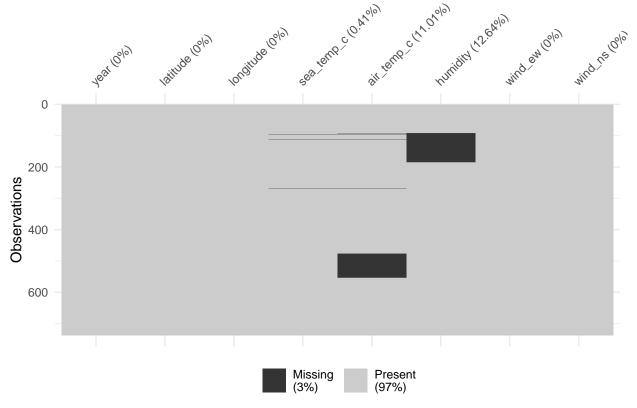


## • MAR Missing At Random

Missingness depends on data observed, but not data observed Implications: - Impute

- Deleting observations not ideal, may lead to bias Example:

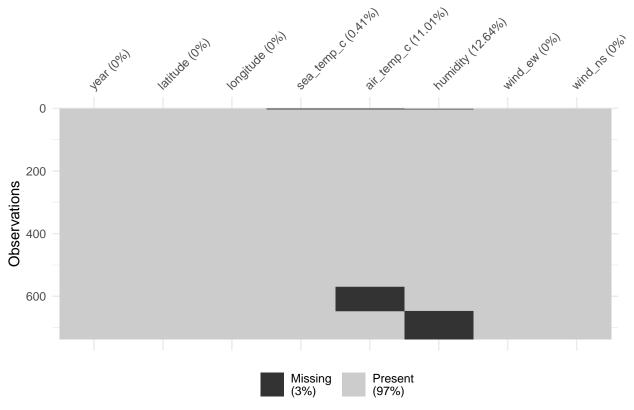
oceanbuoys %>% arrange(year) %>% vis\_miss()



- MNAR Missing Not At Random Missingness of the response is related to an unobserved value relevant to the assessment of interest Implications:
  - $-\,$  Data will be biased from deletion and imputation
  - Inference can be limited, proceed with caution.

# Example:

```
ocean<-read.csv("ocean.csv")
vis_miss(oceanbuoys, cluster = TRUE)</pre>
```



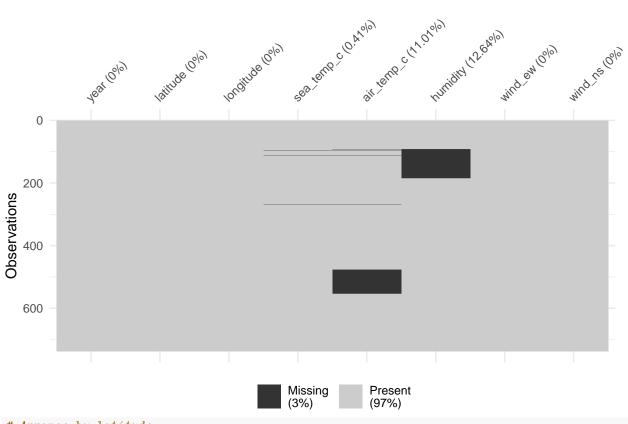
To learn about the structure of the missingness in data, you can explore how sorting changes how missingness is presented.

For the oceanbuoys dataset, explore the missingness with  $vis\_miss()$ , and then arrange by a few different variables

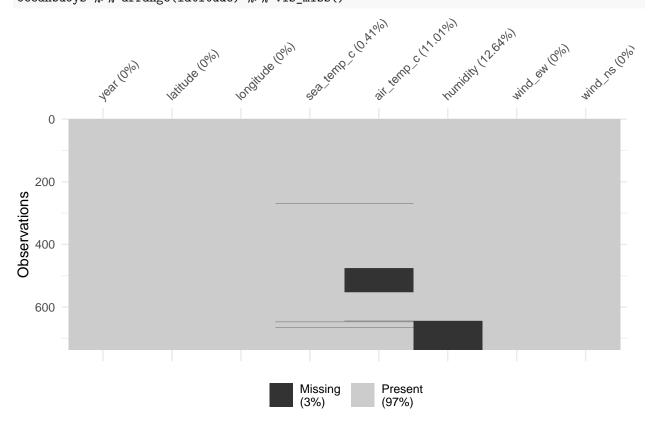
This is not a definitive process, but it will get you started to ask the right questions of your data. We explore more powerful techniques in the next section. Using the dataset, *oceanbuoys*:

Arrange by the variables, year, latitude, and wind\_ew using vis\_miss().

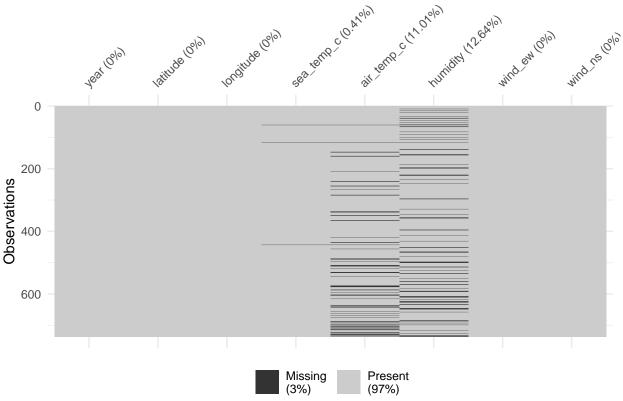
```
# Arrange by year
oceanbuoys %>% arrange(year) %>% vis_miss()
```











## Testing missing relationships

We have seen how to create summaries and visualize missing values. But we havent discussed about how to link these summaries of missingness back to values in the data. In this section, we will discuss about a special data structure to facilitate working with missing data: the shadow matrix and nabular data Shadow matrix has the following features: -Coordinated names- Variables in the shadow matrix gain the same name as in the data with the suffix"\_NA" -Clear values- The values are either NA or !NA To get the most out of the shadow matrix it needs to be attached column wise, to the data. Putting the data in this form is reffered to as nabular data

## Creating shadow matrix data

Missing data can be tricky to think about, as they don't usually proclaim themselves for you, and instead hide amongst the weeds of the data.

One way to help expose missing values is to change the way we think about the data - by thinking about every single data value being missing or not missing.

The as\_shadow() function in R transforms a dataframe into a shadow matrix, a special data format where the values are either missing (NA), or Not Missing (!NA).

The column names of a shadow matrix are the same as the data, but have a suffix added \_NA.

To keep track of and compare data values to their missingness state, use the bind\_shadow() function. Having data in this format, with the shadow matrix column bound to the regular data is called nabular data.

#### Using the oceanbuoys dataset:

Create shadow matrix data with as\_shadow() Create nabular data by binding the shadow to the data with bind\_shadow() Bind only the variables with missing values by using bind\_shadow(only\_miss = TRUE)

```
# Create shadow matrix data with `as_shadow()`
as_shadow(oceanbuoys)
## # A tibble: 736 x 8
      year_NA latitude_NA longitude_NA sea_temp_c~1 air_t~2 humid~3 wind_~4 wind_~5
##
                                           <fct>
##
               <fct>
                             <fct>
                                                          <fct>
                                                                   <fct>
                                                                            <fct>
                                                                                    <fct>
      <fct>
##
    1 !NA
                ! NA
                             ! NA
                                           ! NA
                                                          ! NA
                                                                   ! NA
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    2 !NA
                                                                                     !NA
                ! NA
                             !NA
                                           !NA
                                                          ! NA
                                                                   ! NA
                                                                            ! NA
##
    3 !NA
                ! NA
                             !NA
                                           ! NA
                                                          ! NA
                                                                   ! NA
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    4 !NA
                ! NA
                             ! NA
                                           ! NA
                                                          ! NA
                                                                   ! NA
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    5 !NA
               ! NA
                             !NA
                                                          ! NA
                                                                   ! NA
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
                                           ! NA
##
    6 !NA
               ! NA
                             ! NA
                                           ! NA
                                                          ! NA
                                                                   ! NA
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    7 !NA
                                                                   ! NA
               ! NA
                             ! NA
                                           ! NA
                                                          ! NA
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    8 !NA
               ! NA
                             ! NA
                                           !NA
                                                          ! NA
                                                                   ! NA
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    9 !NA
               ! NA
                             ! NA
                                           !NA
                                                          ! NA
                                                                   ! NA
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
## 10 !NA
               ! NA
                             ! NA
                                           ! NA
                                                          ! NA
                                                                   ! NA
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
## # ... with 726 more rows, and abbreviated variable names 1: sea_temp_c_NA,
       2: air_temp_c_NA, 3: humidity_NA, 4: wind_ew_NA, 5: wind_ns_NA
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows
# Create nabular data by binding the shadow to the data with `bind_shadow()`
bind_shadow(oceanbuoys)
## # A tibble: 736 x 16
##
       year latit~1 longi~2 sea_t~3 air_t~4 humid~5 wind_ew wind_ns year_NA latit~6
##
       <dbl>
               <dbl>
                        <dbl>
                                 <dbl>
                                          <dbl>
                                                   <dbl>
                                                            <dbl>
                                                                     <dbl> <fct>
       1997
                    0
##
    1
                         -110
                                  27.6
                                           27.1
                                                    79.6
                                                            -6.40
                                                                      5.40 !NA
                                                                                     ! NA
##
    2
       1997
                    0
                         -110
                                  27.5
                                           27.0
                                                    75.8
                                                            -5.30
                                                                      5.30 !NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    3
       1997
                    0
                         -110
                                  27.6
                                           27
                                                    76.5
                                                            -5.10
                                                                      4.5
                                                                            !NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    4
       1997
                    0
                                                    76.2
                                                            -4.90
                                                                      2.5
                                                                            !NA
                         -110
                                  27.6
                                           26.9
                                                                                     !NA
       1997
                    0
##
    5
                         -110
                                  27.6
                                           26.8
                                                    76.4
                                                            -3.5
                                                                      4.10 !NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    6
       1997
                    0
                                  27.8
                                           26.9
                                                    76.7
                                                                      1.60 !NA
                                                                                     !NA
                         -110
                                                            -4.40
##
    7
       1997
                    0
                         -110
                                  28.0
                                           27.0
                                                    76.5
                                                            -2
                                                                      3.5
                                                                            !NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    8
       1997
                    0
                         -110
                                  28.0
                                           27.1
                                                    78.3
                                                            -3.70
                                                                      4.5
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
       1997
                    0
                         -110
                                  28.0
                                           27.2
                                                    78.6
##
    9
                                                            -4.20
                                                                            ! NA
                                                                                     !NA
                                                                      5
                    0
                                  28.0
                                           27.2
                                                    76.9
## 10
       1997
                         -110
                                                            -3.60
                                                                      3.5
                                                                            !NA
                                                                                     !NA
## # ... with 726 more rows, 6 more variables: longitude_NA <fct>,
       sea_temp_c_NA <fct>, air_temp_c_NA <fct>, humidity_NA <fct>,
       wind_ew_NA <fct>, wind_ns_NA <fct>, and abbreviated variable names
## #
## #
       1: latitude, 2: longitude, 3: sea_temp_c, 4: air_temp_c, 5: humidity,
## #
       6: latitude_NA
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows, and `colnames()` to see all variable names
# Bind only the variables with missing values by using bind_shadow(only_miss = TRUE)
bind_shadow(oceanbuoys, only_miss = TRUE)
## # A tibble: 736 x 11
##
       year latit~1 longi~2 sea_t~3 air_t~4 humid~5 wind_ew wind_ns sea_t~6 air_t~7
##
       <dbl>
               <dbl>
                        <dbl>
                                 <dbl>
                                          <dbl>
                                                   <dbl>
                                                            <dbl>
                                                                     <dbl> <fct>
                                                                                     <fct>
                         -110
##
    1 1997
                    0
                                  27.6
                                           27.1
                                                    79.6
                                                            -6.40
                                                                      5.40 !NA
                                                                                     !NA
##
    2
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                    0
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                                                            -5.30
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##
       1997
                    0
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                                                                      4.5
                                                                            !NA
```

```
##
    4
       1997
                   0
                        -110
                                 27.6
                                         26.9
                                                  76.2
                                                          -4.90
                                                                   2.5
                                                                         !NA
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##
    5
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                                         26.8
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                                                          -3.5
                                                                   4.10 !NA
                                                                                 ! NA
                   0
                        -110
      1997
##
    6
                   0
                        -110
                                 27.8
                                         26.9
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                        -110
                                                                   3.5
##
    8
       1997
                   0
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                                 28.0
                                         27.1
                                                  78.3
                                                          -3.70
                                                                   4.5
                                                                         !NA
                                                                                 !NA
##
    9
       1997
                   0
                                 28.0
                                         27.2
                                                  78.6
                                                                         ! NA
                        -110
                                                         -4.20
                                                                                 !NA
                                                                   5
                   0
                                 28.0
                                         27.2
                                                  76.9
                                                         -3.60
## 10 1997
                        -110
                                                                   3.5
                                                                         ! NA
                                                                                 ! NA
## # ... with 726 more rows, 1 more variable: humidity NA <fct>, and abbreviated
       variable names 1: latitude, 2: longitude, 3: sea_temp_c, 4: air_temp_c,
       5: humidity, 6: sea_temp_c_NA, 7: air_temp_c_NA
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows, and `colnames()` to see all variable names
```

We can now create shadow matrix and nabular data. This is a useful first step in more advanced summaries of missing data.

#### Performing grouped summaries of missingness

Now that you can create nabular data, let's use it to explore the data. Let's calculate summary statistics based on the missingness of another variable.

To do this we are going to use the following steps:

First, bind\_shadow() turns the data into nabular data.

Next, perform some summaries on the data using  $group\_by()$  and summarise() to calculate the mean and standard deviation, using the mean() and sd() functions

For the oceanbuoys dataset:

 $bind\_shadow()$ , then  $group\_by()$  for the missingness of  $humidity\ (humidity\_NA)$  and calculate the means and standard deviations for wind east west  $(wind\_ew)$  using summarise() from dplyr.

Repeat this, but calculating summaries for wind north south (wind\_ns).

```
# `bind_shadow()` and `group_by()` humidity missingness (`humidity_NA`)
oceanbuoys %>%
  bind_shadow() %>%
  group by (humidity NA) %>%
  summarise(wind_ew_mean = mean(wind_ew), # calculate mean of wind_ew
            wind_ew_sd = sd(wind_ew)) # calculate standard deviation of wind_ew
## # A tibble: 2 x 3
##
     humidity_NA wind_ew_mean wind_ew_sd
##
     <fct>
                                    <dbl>
                         <dbl>
## 1 !NA
                        -3.78
                                     1.90
## 2 NA
                        -3.30
                                     2.31
# Repeat this, but calculating summaries for wind north south (`wind_ns`).
oceanbuoys %>%
  bind_shadow() %>%
  group_by(humidity_NA) %>%
  summarise(wind_ns_mean = mean(wind_ns),
            wind ns sd = sd(wind ns))
## # A tibble: 2 x 3
##
     humidity_NA wind_ns_mean wind_ns_sd
##
     <fct>
                         <dbl>
                                    <dbl>
## 1 !NA
                         2.78
                                     2.06
```

```
## 2 NA 1.66 2.23
```

Now we can summarise and explore values at each level of missingness.

## Further exploring more combinations of missingness

It can be useful to get a bit of extra information about the number of cases in each missing condition.

In this exercise, we are going to add information about the number of observed cases using n() inside the summarise() function.

We will then add an additional level of grouping by looking at the combination of humidity being missing (humidity\_NA) and air temperature being missing (air\_temp\_c\_NA).

We will do the following:

Using group\_by() and summarise() on wind\_ew:

Summarize by the missingness of air\_temp\_c\_NA.

Summarize by missingness of air\_temp\_c\_NA and humidity\_NA.

```
# Summarise wind_ew by the missingness of `air_temp_c_NA`
oceanbuoys %>%
  bind_shadow() %>%
  group_by(air_temp_c_NA) %>%
  summarise(wind_ew_mean = mean(wind_ew),
            wind_ew_sd = sd(wind_ew),
            n obs = n()
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
##
     air_temp_c_NA wind_ew_mean wind_ew_sd n_obs
##
                           <dbl>
                                      <dbl> <int>
     \langle fct \rangle
                           -3.91
## 1 !NA
                                       1.85
                                               655
## 2 NA
                           -2.17
                                       2.14
                                                81
# Summarise wind ew by missingness of `air temp c NA` and `humidity NA`
oceanbuoys %>%
  bind shadow() %>%
  group_by(air_temp_c_NA, humidity_NA) %>%
  summarise(wind_ew_mean = mean(wind_ew),
            wind ew sd = sd(wind ew),
            n obs = n()
## `summarise()` has grouped output by 'air temp c NA'. You can override using the
## `.groups` argument.
## # A tibble: 4 x 5
## # Groups: air_temp_c_NA [2]
     air_temp_c_NA humidity_NA wind_ew_mean wind_ew_sd n_obs
##
     <fct>
                    <fct>
                                        <dbl>
                                                   <dbl> <int>
## 1 !NA
                    ! NA
                                       -4.01
                                                    1.74
                                                           565
## 2 !NA
                    NA
                                       -3.24
                                                    2.31
                                                            90
## 3 NA
                                       -2.06
                                                    2.08
                                                            78
                    !NA
## 4 NA
                    NA
                                        -4.97
                                                    1.74
                                                             3
```

By counting the number of observations in each of the groups, we can get some useful context for our summary statistics.

## Nabular data and filling by missingness

We will check how variables vary when other variables go missing. We can explore missingness using ggplot visualizations.

Summary statistics are useful to calculate, but as they say, a picture tells you a thousand words.

we are going to explore how you can use nabular data to explore the variation in a variable by the missingness of another.

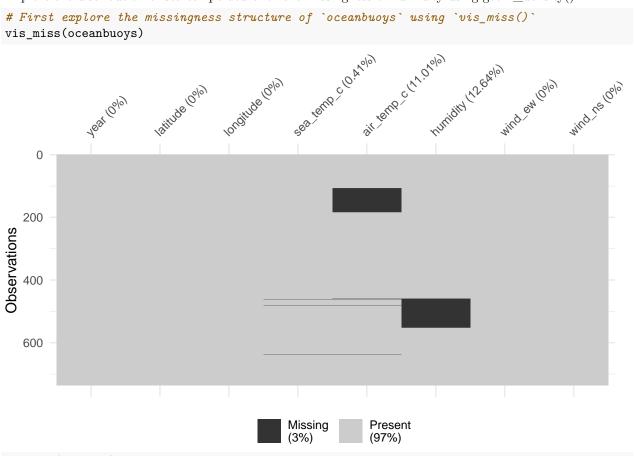
We are going to use the ocean buoys dataset from naniar

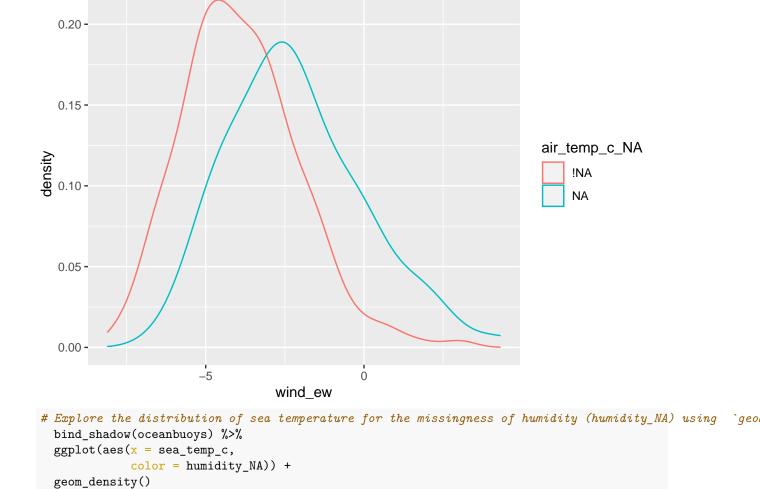
The goal is to:

First explore the missingness structure of oceanbuoys using vis\_miss().

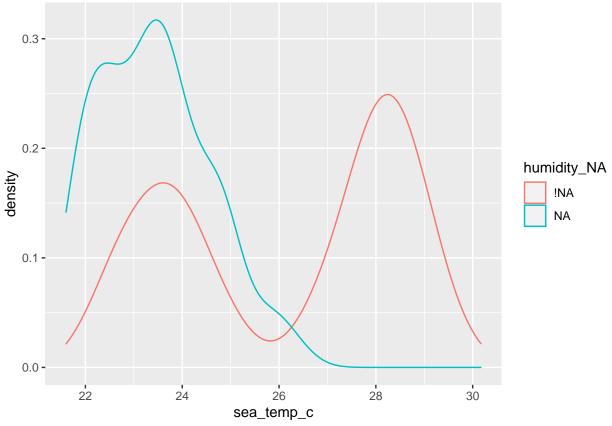
Explore the distribution of wind east west (wind\_ew) for the missingness of air temperature using geom\_density().

Explore the distribution of sea temperature for the missingness of humidity using geom\_density()





## Warning: Removed 3 rows containing non-finite values (stat\_density).



You can now use nabular data to visualise and explore missing data using density plots.

## Nabular data and summarising by missingness

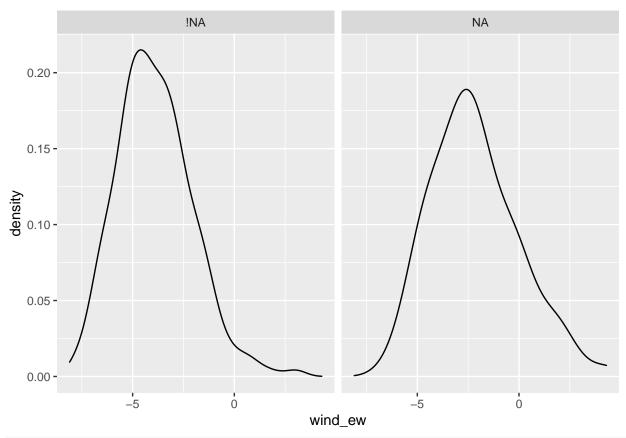
In this exercise, we are going to explore how to use nabular data to explore the variation in a variable by the missingness of another.

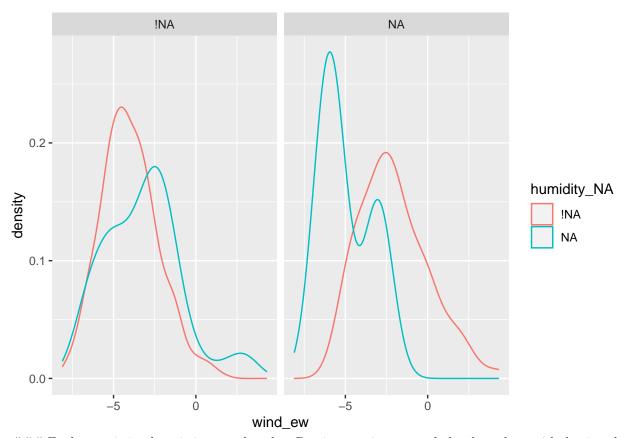
We are going to use the oceanbuoys dataset from naniar, and then create multiple plots of the data using facets.

This allows you to explore different layers of missingness. Lets try the following:

Explore the distribution of wind east west (wind\_ew) for the missingness of air temperature using geom\_density() and faceting by the missingness of air temperature (air\_temp\_c\_NA). Build upon this visualization by filling by the missingness of humidity (humidity\_NA).

```
# Explore the distribution of wind east west (`wind_ew`) for the missingness of air temperature using
oceanbuoys %>%
bind_shadow() %>%
ggplot(aes(x = wind_ew)) +
geom_density() +
facet_wrap(~air_temp_c_NA)
```



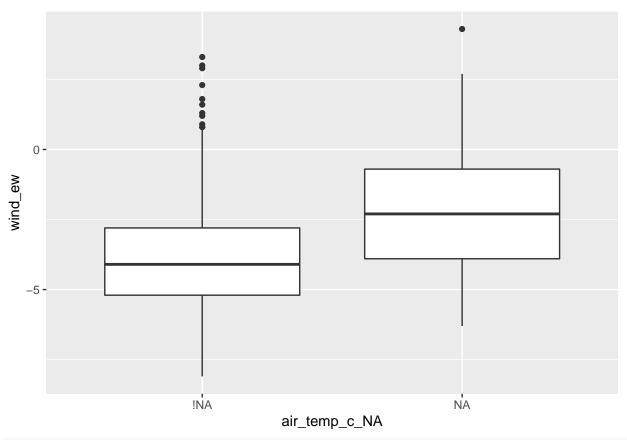


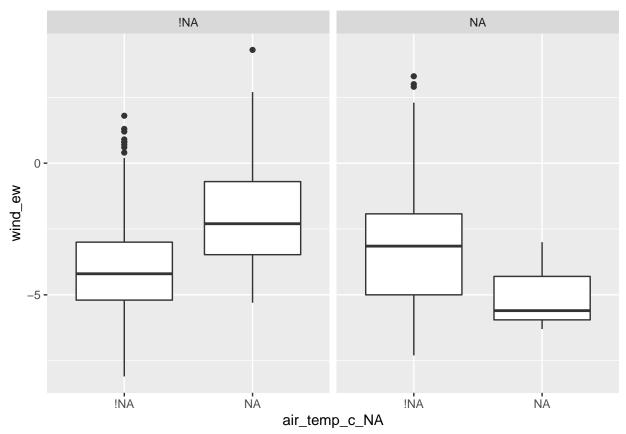
### Explore variation by missingness: boxplots Previous sections use nabular data along with density plots to explore the variation in a variable by the missingness of another.

We are going to use the oceanbuoys dataset from naniar, using boxplots instead of facets or others to explore different layers of missingness. We will do the following:

Explore the distribution of wind east west (wind\_ew) for the missingness of air temperature using geom\_boxplot()

Build upon this visualisation by facetting by the missingness of humidity (humidity\_NA).





You can now use nabular data to visualise and explore missing data with boxplots and facet wraps.

## Visualizing missingness across two variables

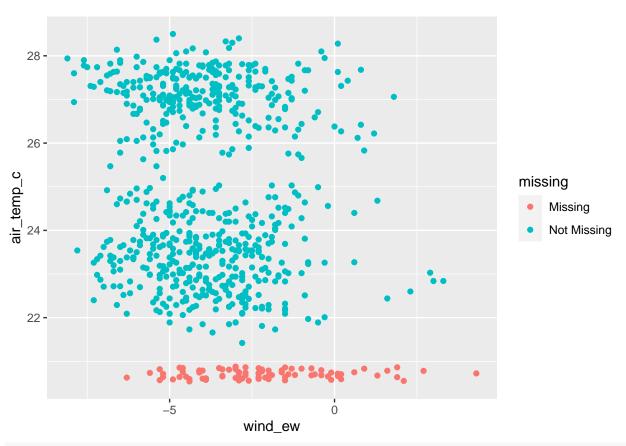
Missing values are typically ignored in a scatterplot. Here we will discuss about how to visualize missings in a scatter plot and how and why that works. The problem with visualising a scatterplot when the data has missing values is that it removes any observations- entire rows- that have missing values. ggplot is very nice here, and gives a warning that missing values are being dropped. To explore the missings in a scatterplot , we can use  $geom\_miss\_point()$ , this visualises the missing values by placing them in the margins.

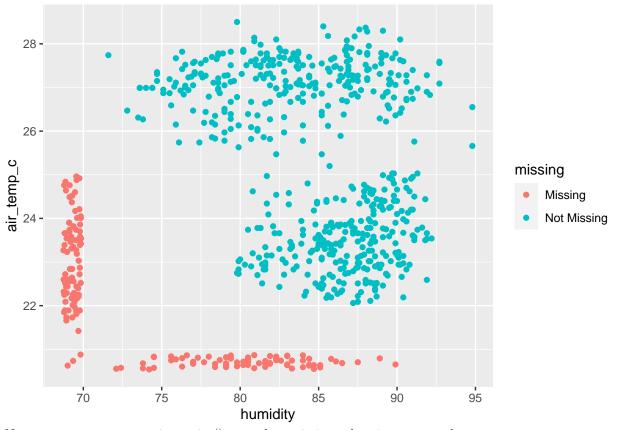
## The problem of visualizing missing data in two dimensions

**Exploring missing data with scatterplots** Missing values in a scatterplot in ggplot2 are removed by default, with a warning.

We can display missing values in a scatterplot, using geom\_miss\_point() - a special ggplot2 geom that shifts the missing values into the plot, displaying them 10% below the minimum of the variable.

Explore the missingness in wind east west (wind\_ew) and air temperature, and display the missingness using geom\_miss\_point(). Explore the missingness in humidity and air temperature, and display the missingness using geom\_miss\_point().





Now you can use geom\_miss\_point() to explore missing values in a scatterplot

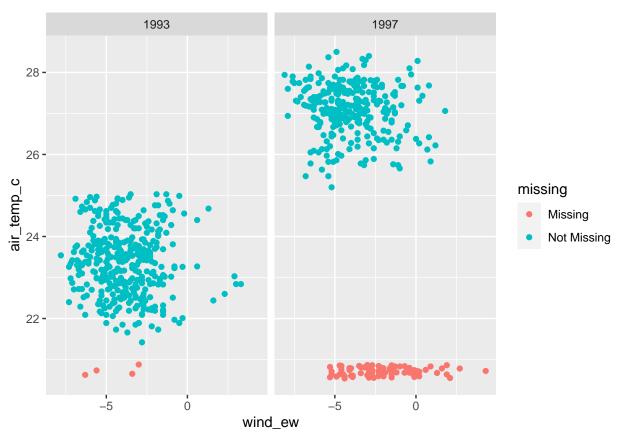
Using facets to explore missingness Because geom\_miss\_point() is a ggplot geom, you can use it with ggplot2 features like facetting.

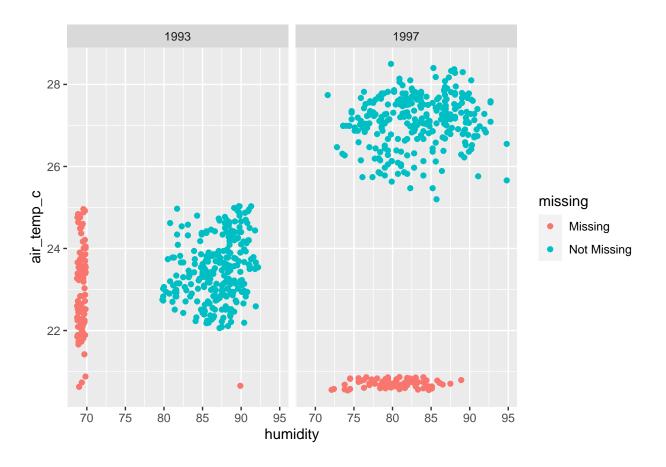
This means we can rapidly explore the missingness and stay within the familiar bounds of ggplot2.

We will try the following:

Explore the missingness in wind and air temperature, and display the missingness using geom\_miss\_point(). Facet by year to explore this further.

Explore the missingness in humidity and air temperature, and display the missingness using geom\_miss\_point(). Facet by year to explore this further.





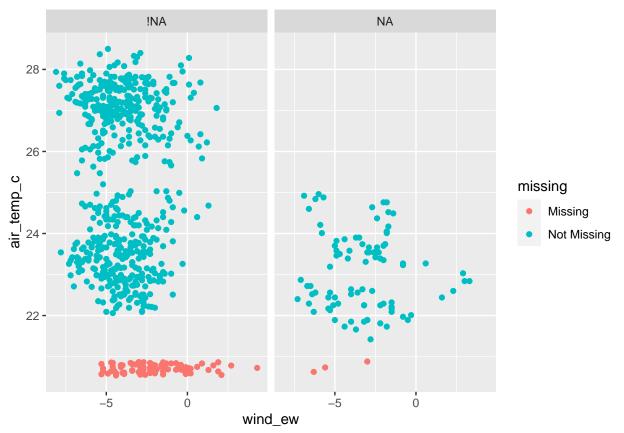
## Faceting to explore missingness (multiple plots)

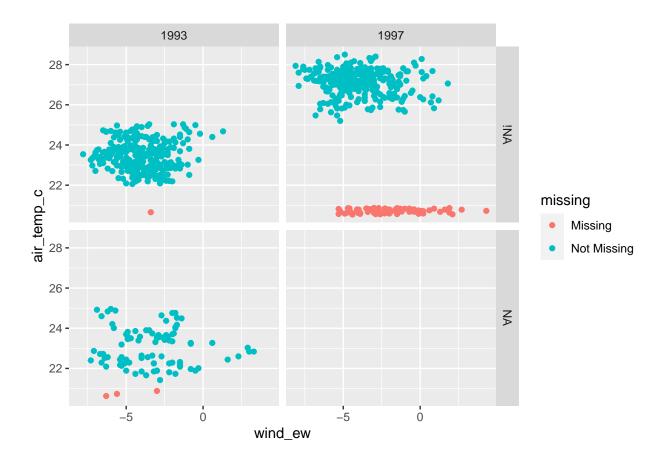
Another useful technique with geommisspoint() is to explore the missingness by creating multiple plots.

Just as we have done in the previous exercises, we can use the nabular data to help us create additional facetted plots.

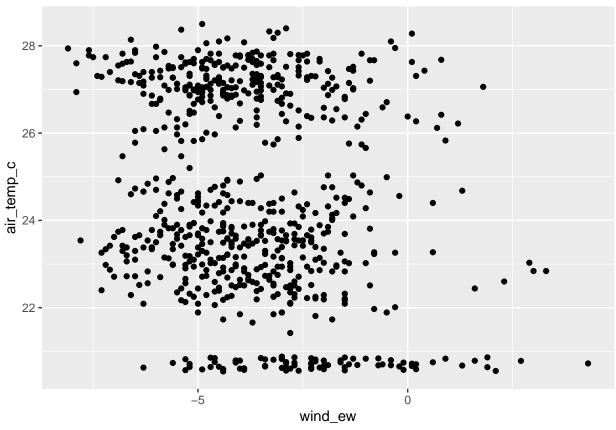
We can even create multiple facetted plots according to values in the data, such as year, and features of the data, such as missingness.

Use geom\_miss\_point() and facet\_wrap() to explore how the missingness in wind\_ew and air\_temp\_c is different for missingness of humidity. Use geom\_miss\_point() and facet\_grid() to explore how the missingness in wind ew and air\_temp\_c is different for missingness of humidity and by year.





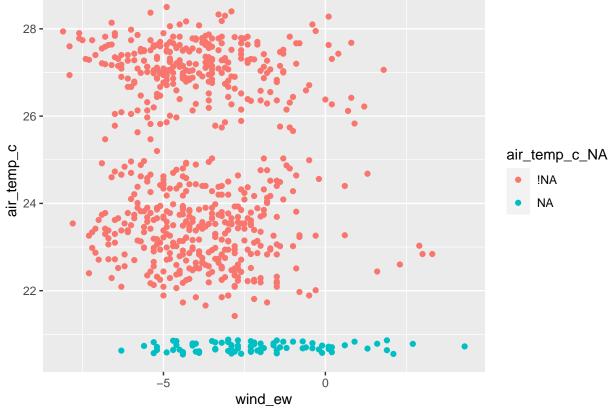
# Performing and Tracking Imputation



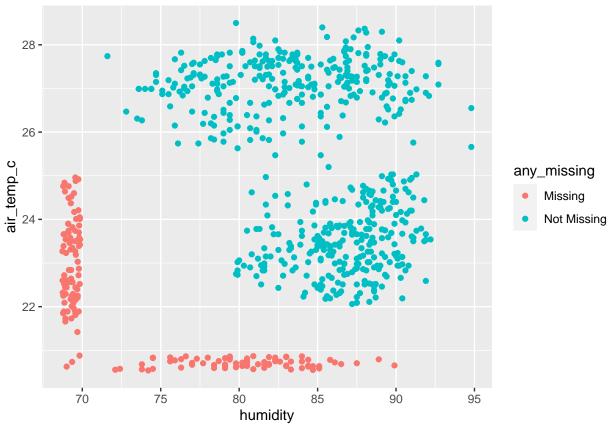
```
# Impute and track data with `bind_shadow`, `impute_below_all`, and `add_label_shadow`
ocean_imp_track <- bind_shadow(oceanbuoys) %>%
  impute_below_all() %>%
  add_label_shadow()

# Look at the imputed values
ocean_imp_track
```

```
## # A tibble: 736 x 17
##
       year latit~1 longi~2 sea_t~3 air_t~4 humid~5 wind_ew wind_ns year_NA latit~6
##
      <dbl>
              <dbl>
                       <dbl>
                               <dbl>
                                        <dbl>
                                                <dbl>
                                                         <dbl>
                                                                 <dbl> <fct>
                                                                                <fct>
##
    1 1997
                  0
                        -110
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                                                         -6.40
                                                                  5.40 !NA
                                                                                !NA
                                         27.0
                                                 75.8
                                                                  5.30 !NA
##
    2 1997
                  0
                        -110
                                27.5
                                                         -5.30
                                                                                !NA
                        -110
    3 1997
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                                         27
                                                 76.5
                                                                  4.5
                                                                                !NA
##
                  0
                                                         -5.10
                                                                        !NA
##
    4
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                                                 76.4
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##
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                                                         -2
                                                                                !NA
##
    7
       1997
                        -110
                                                                  3.5
                                                                        !NA
       1997
                  0
                                28.0
                                         27.1
                                                 78.3
                                                         -3.70
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                                                                                !NA
##
                        -110
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##
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                  0
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                                         27.2
                                                 78.6
                                                         -4.20
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                                                                                !NA
                                                                  5
## 10
      1997
                  0
                        -110
                                28.0
                                         27.2
                                                 76.9
                                                         -3.60
                                                                  3.5
                                                                       ! NA
                                                                                !NA
## # ... with 726 more rows, 7 more variables: longitude_NA <fct>,
       sea_temp_c_NA <fct>, air_temp_c_NA <fct>, humidity_NA <fct>,
## #
       wind_ew_NA <fct>, wind_ns_NA <fct>, any_missing <chr>, and abbreviated
## #
## #
       variable names 1: latitude, 2: longitude, 3: sea_temp_c, 4: air_temp_c,
       5: humidity, 6: latitude_NA
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows, and `colnames()` to see all variable names
```

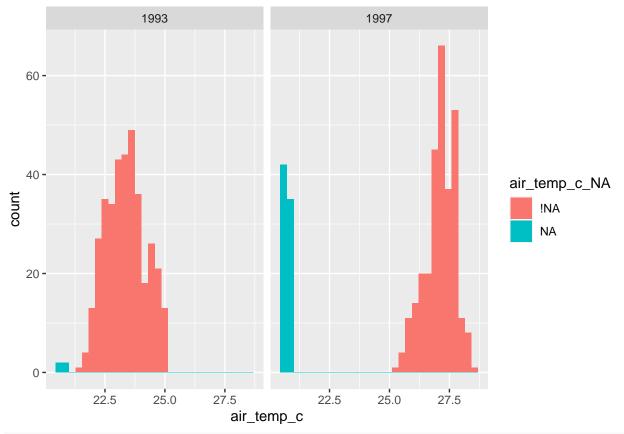


```
# Visualise humidity and air temp, coloring any missing cases using the variable any_missing
ggplot(ocean_imp_track,
        aes(x = humidity, y = air_temp_c, color = any_missing)) +
geom_point()
```



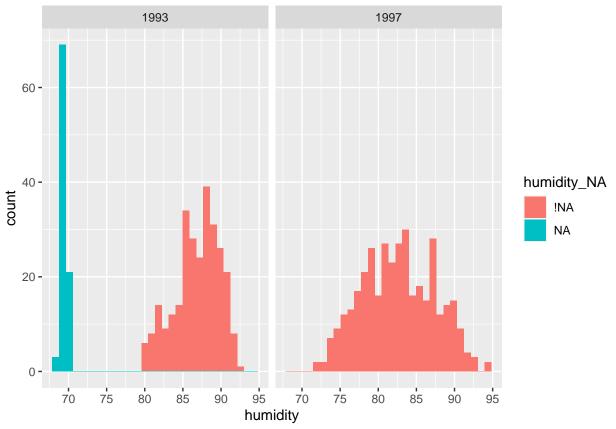
```
# Explore the values of air_temp_c, visualising the amount of missings with `air_temp_c_NA`.
p <- ggplot(ocean_imp_track, aes(x = air_temp_c, fill = air_temp_c_NA)) + geom_histogram()
# Expore the missings in humidity using humidity_NA
p2 <- ggplot(ocean_imp_track, aes(x = humidity, fill = humidity_NA)) + geom_histogram()
# Explore the missings in air_temp_c according to year, using `facet_wrap(~year)`.
p + facet_wrap(~year)</pre>
```

## `stat\_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.



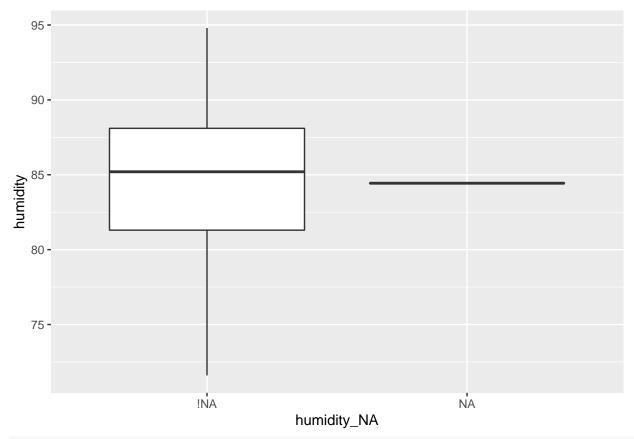
# Explore the missings in humidity according to year, using `facet\_wrap(~year)`.
p2 + facet\_wrap(~year)

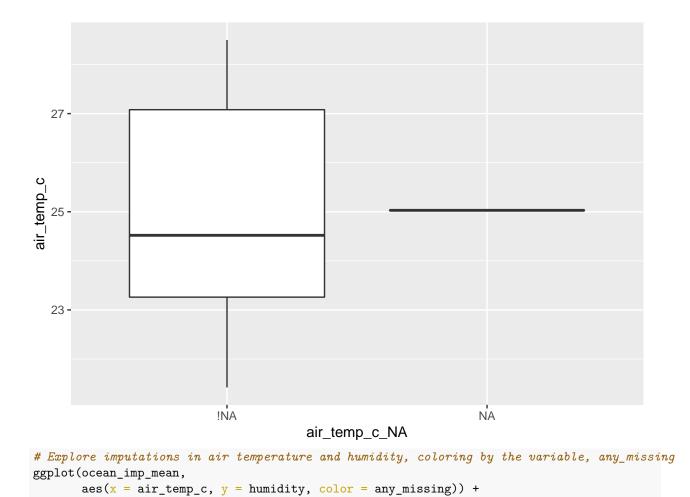
## `stat\_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.



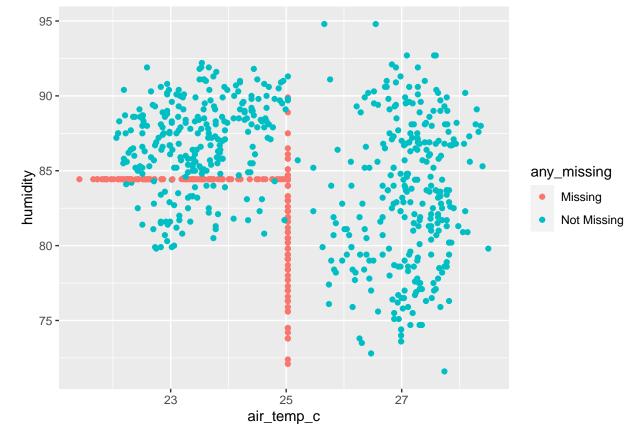
```
# Impute the mean value and track the imputations
ocean_imp_mean <- bind_shadow(oceanbuoys) %>%
  impute_mean_all() %>%
  add_label_shadow()

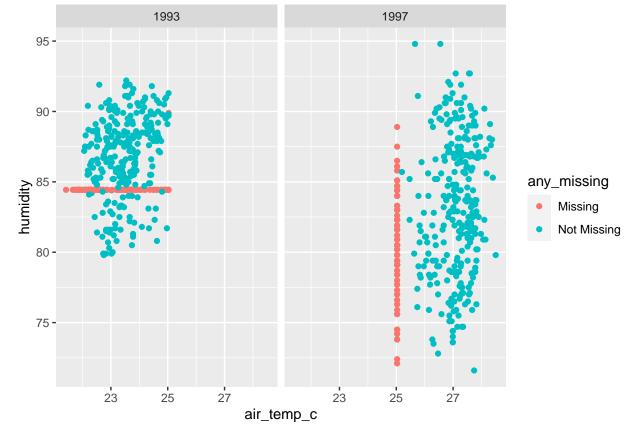
# Explore the mean values in humidity in the imputed dataset
ggplot(ocean_imp_mean,
        aes(x = humidity_NA , y = humidity)) +
  geom_boxplot()
```



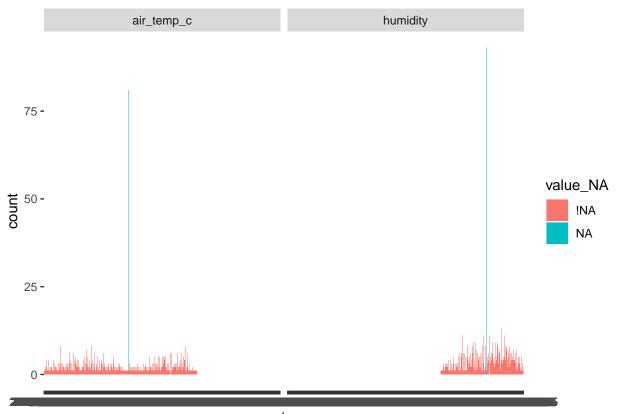


geom\_point()



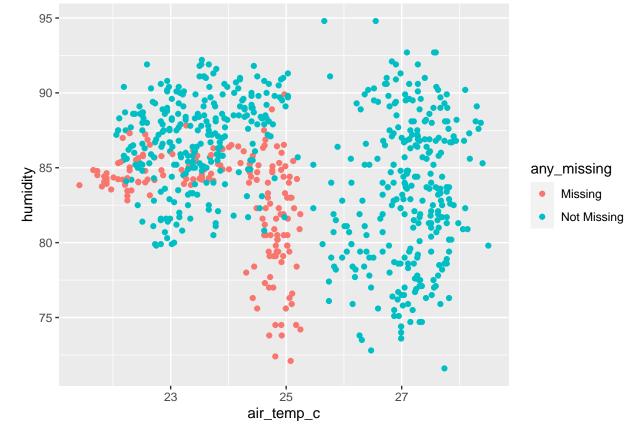


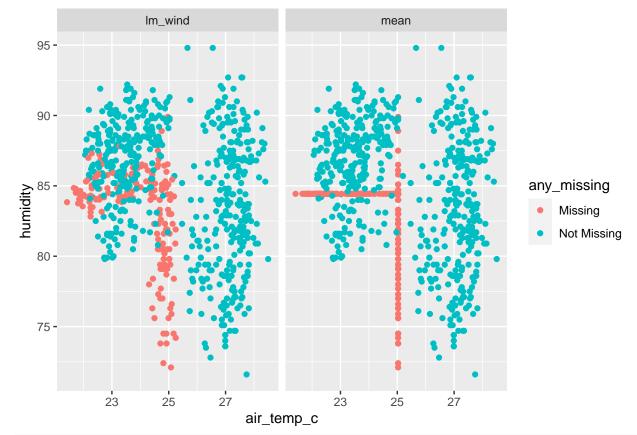
```
##
      variable
                value
                            variable_NA
                                          value_NA
##
                 <chr>
                             <chr>
## 1 air_temp_c 27.14999962 air_temp_c_NA !NA
## 2 air_temp_c 27.02000046 air_temp_c_NA !NA
## 3 air temp c 27
                            air temp c NA !NA
## 4 air_temp_c 26.93000031 air_temp_c_NA !NA
## 5 air_temp_c 26.84000015 air_temp_c_NA !NA
## 6 air_temp_c 26.94000053 air_temp_c_NA !NA
## 7 air_temp_c 27.04000092 air_temp_c_NA !NA
## 8 air_temp_c 27.11000061 air_temp_c_NA !NA
## 9 air_temp_c 27.20999908 air_temp_c_NA !NA
## 10 air_temp_c 27.25
                            air_temp_c_NA !NA
## # ... with 1,462 more rows
## # i Use `print(n = ...)` to see more rows
```

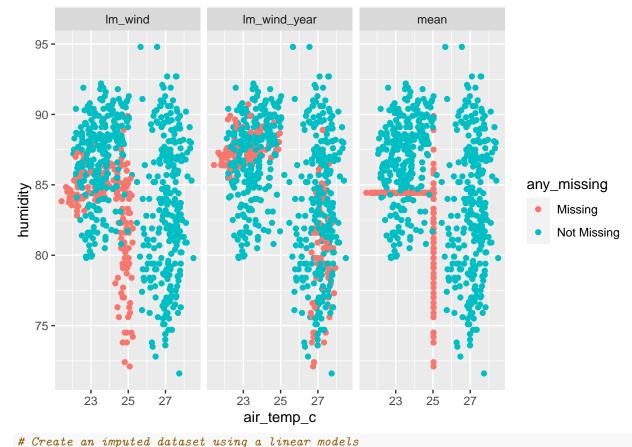


# value

```
# Impute humidity and air temperature using wind_ew and wind_ns, and track missing values
library(simputation)
```







```
ocean_imp_lm_all <- bind_shadow(oceanbuoys) %>%
  add_label_shadow() %>%
  impute_lm(sea_temp_c ~ wind_ew + wind_ns + year + latitude + longitude) %>%
  impute_lm(air_temp_c ~ wind_ew + wind_ns + year + latitude + longitude) %>%
  impute_lm(humidity ~ wind_ew + wind_ns + year + latitude + longitude)
# Bind the datasets
bound_models <- bind_rows(cc = ocean_cc,</pre>
                         imp_lm_wind = ocean_imp_lm_wind,
                         imp_lm_all = ocean_imp_lm_all,
                         .id = "imp model")
# Look at the models
bound_models
# Create the model summary for each dataset
model_summary <- bound_models %>%
  group_by(imp_model) %>%
 nest() %>%
  mutate(mod = map(data, ~lm(sea_temp_c ~ air_temp_c + humidity + year, data = .)),
         res = map(mod, residuals),
         pred = map(mod, predict),
         tidy = map(mod, tidy))
# Explore the coefficients in the model
model_summary %>%
```

```
select(imp_model,tidy) %>%
  unnest()
best_model <- "imp_lm_all"</pre>
```