Intro to nonrectangular data

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Rectangular data

Spreadsheets

	Α	В	С
1	name	gender	date
2	Dezik	Male	1951-07-22
3	Dezik	Male	1951-07-29
4	Tsygan	Male	1951-07-22
5	Lisa	Female	1951-07-29
6	Chizhik	Male	1951-08-15

CSV

```
name, gender, date

Dezik, Male, 1951-07-22

Dezik, Male, 1951-07-29

Tsygan, Male, 1951-07-22

Lisa, Female, 1951-07-29

Chizhik, Male, 1951-08-15
```

Non-rectangular formats

JSON

```
"name": "Darth Vader",
"species": "Human",
"homeworld": "Tatooine",
"films": [
    "Revenge of the Sith",
    "Return of the Jedi",
    "The Empire Strikes Back",
    "A New Hope"
```

XML

```
<note>
  <from>Teacher</from>
  <to>Student</to>
  <heading>Almost there</heading>
  <body>It's the final chapter!</body>
</note>
```

¹ Star Wars data from the repurrrsive package.



A list of lists of lists

```
rjson::fromJSON(file = "star_wars.json")
```

```
[[1]]
[[1]]$name
[1] "Darth Vader"
[[1]]$films
[1] "Revenge of the Sith" "Return of the Jedi" "The Empire Strikes Back" "A New Hope"
[[2]]
[[2]]$name
[1] "Jar Jar Binks"
[[2]]$films
[1] "Attack of the Clones" "The Phantom Menace"
```



A first step to rectangling

```
star_wars_list <- rjson::fromJSON(file = "star_wars.json")
tibble(character = star_wars_list)</pre>
```

```
# A tibble: 2 x 1
  character
  <! ist>
1 < named list [2]>
2 < named list [2]>
```

Unnesting lists to columns

```
tibble(character = star_wars_list) %>%
  unnest_wider(character)
```

Unnesting lists to columns

```
tibble(character = star_wars_list) %>%
  unnest_wider(character) %>%
  unnest_wider(films)
```

```
# A tibble: 2 x 5

name ...1 ...2 ...3 ...4

<chr> <chr> < chr> < chr> < chr> < chr> Darth Vader Revenge of the Sith Return of the Jedi The Empire Strikes Back A New Hope

2 Jar Jar Binks Attack of the Clones The Phantom Menace NA NA
```

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From nested values to observations

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The unnest_wider() function recap

```
tibble(character = star_wars_list) %>%
  unnest_wider(character)
```

```
# A tibble: 2 x 2
name films
<chr> <chr> <chr> 2 Jar Jar Binks <chr [2]>
```

The unnest_wider() function recap

```
tibble(character = star_wars_list) %>%
  unnest_wider(character) %>%
  unnest_wider(films)
```

```
# A tibble: 2 x 5

name ...1 ...2 ...3 ...4

<chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> 1 Darth Vader Revenge of the Sith Return of the Jedi The Empire Strikes Back A New Hope
2 Jar Jar Binks Attack of the Clones The Phantom Menace NA NA
```

The unnest_longer() function

```
tibble(character = star_wars_list) %>%
  unnest_wider(character) %>%
  unnest_longer(films)
```

```
# A tibble: 45 x 2
              films
   name
   <chr>
              <chr>
 1 Chewbacca
              Revenge of the Sith
 2 Chewbacca
              Return of the Jedi
 3 Chewbacca The Empire Strikes Back
 4 Chewbacca
              A New Hope
 5 Chewbacca The Force Awakens
 6 Darth Vader Revenge of the Sith
 7 Darth Vader Return of the Jedi
8 Darth Vader The Empire Strikes Back
# ... with 37 more rows
```

Rectangling deeply nested data

```
course_df
```

Rectangling deeply nested data

```
course_df %>%
  unnest_wider(metadata)
```

```
A tibble: 4 x 4
 ch_id chapter_title
                                        lessons
                              status
 <chr> <chr>
                                        <chr>
                              Complete <list [3]>
1 CH1
      Tidy Data
      From Wide to Long and Back Complete
2 CH2
                                        (4]>
                                        (3]>
3 CH3
      Expanding Data
                             Complete
4 CH4
      Rectangling Data
                              In progress <list [4]>
```



Combining unnest_wider() and unnest_longer()

```
course_df %>%
  unnest_wider(metadata) %>%
  unnest_longer(lessons)
```

```
# A tibble: 14 x 4
  ch_id chapter_title
                                              lessons
                                  status
  <chr> <chr>
                                              <chr>
                                              <named list [3]>
 1 CH1
        Tidy Data
                                  Complete
 2 CH1
        Tidy Data
                                  Complete
                                              <named list [3]>
 3 CH1 Tidy Data
                                  Complete
                                              <named list [3]>
 4 CH2 From Wide to Long and Back Complete
                                              <named list [3]>
 ... with 10 more rows
```

Digging deeper

```
course_df %>%
  unnest_wider(metadata) %>%
  unnest_longer(lessons) %>%
  unnest_wider(lessons)
```

```
# A tibble: 14 x 6
 ch_id chapter_title
                              status l_id lesson_title
                                                                    exercises
 <chr> <chr>
                                     <chr> <chr>
                                                                    <chr>
1 CH1
      Tidy Data
                             Complete L1
                                                                   (2]>
                                          What is tidy data?
                                          Columns with multiple values <list [3]>
2 CH1
      Tidy Data
                             Complete L2
                             Complete L3
                                                           (3]>
3 CH1
      Tidy Data
                                          Missing values
                                          From wide to long data <list [3]>
4 CH2
     From Wide to Long and Back Complete L1
 ... with 10 more rows
```

And deeper ...

```
course_df %>%
  unnest_wider(metadata) %>%
  unnest_longer(lessons) %>%
  unnest_wider(lessons) %>%
  select(ch_id, l_id, exercises) %>%
  unnest_longer(exercises)
```

```
# A tibble: 41 x 3
  ch_id l_id exercises
  <chr> <chr> 
       L1
1 CH1
             <named list [2]>
       L1
             <named list [2]>
 2 CH1
3 CH1
       L2
             <named list [2]>
 4 CH1
             <named list [2]>
        L2
5 CH1
             <named list [2]>
        L2
 6 CH1
        L3
             <named list [2]>
7 CH1
       L3
             <named list [2]>
             <named list [2]>
8 CH1
       L3
 ... with 33 more rows
```

And deeper ...

```
course_df %>%
  unnest_wider(metadata) %>%
  unnest_longer(lessons) %>%
  unnest_wider(lessons) %>%
  select(ch_id, l_id, exercises) %>%
  unnest_longer(exercises) %>%
  unnest_wider(exercises)
```

```
# A tibble: 41 x 4
   ch_id l_id ex_id complete
   <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <lgl>
        L1
 1 CH1
               E1
                      TRUE
         L1
 2 CH1
               E2
                      TRUE
 3 CH1
         L2
                      TRUE
               E1
 4 CH1
                      TRUE
         L2
                E2
 5 CH1
         L2
                E3
                      TRUE
 6 CH1
         L3
                      TRUE
                E1
 7 CH1
         L3
                      TRUE
               E2
 8 CH1
        L3
                      TRUE
                E3
 ... with 33 more rows
```

Course status update

```
course_df %>%
  unnest_wider(metadata) %>%
  unnest_longer(lessons) %>%
  unnest_wider(lessons) %>%
  select(ch_id, l_id, exercises) %>%
  unnest_longer(exercises) %>%
  unnest_wider(exercises) %>%
  summarize(pct_complete = mean(complete))
```

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Selecting nested variables

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Unnesting list columns completely

```
planet_df %>%
  unnest_longer(moons) %>%
  unnest_wider(moons) %>%
  unnest_wider(moon_data)
```

```
# A tibble: 174 x 4
  planet moon_name radius density
                    <dbl>
  <chr>
          <chr>
                            <dbl>
1 Mercury NA
                     NA
                           NA
 2 Venus
          NA
                     NA
                           NA
 3 Earth Moon
                   1738.
                            3.34
 4 Jupiter Io
                   1822.
                            3.53
                            3.01
 5 Jupiter Europa
                   1561.
                   2631.
 6 Jupiter Ganymede
                            1.94
 7 Jupiter Callisto 2410.
                            1.83
 8 Jupiter Amalthea 83.4
                            0.849
# ... with 166 more rows
```

Selective unnesting with hoist()

```
moons :List of 8

$ :List of 67
..$ :List of 2
...$ moon_name: chr "Io"
...$ moon_data:List of 2
...$ radius : num 1822
...$ density: num 3.53
```

```
planet_df %>%
  hoist(
    moons,
    first_moon = list(1, "moon_name"),
    radius = list(1, "moon_data", "radius"))
```

```
# A tibble: 8 x 4
 planet first_moon radius moons
 <chr> <chr> <dbl> <
1 Mercury NA NA <NULL>
2 Venus
                  NA <NULL>
       NA
3 Earth Moon
                1738. <list [1]>
4 Jupiter Io
                1822. <list [67]>
                  11.1 <list [2]>
5 Mars Phobos
6 Neptune Triton
                1353. <list [14]>
7 Saturn Mimas 198. 15 [61]>
8 Uranus Ariel 579. <list [27]>
```

Selective unnesting with hoist()

```
planet_df %>%
  unnest_longer(moons) %>%
  hoist(
    moons,
    moon_name = "moon_name",
    radius = list("moon_data", "radius")
)
```

```
# A tibble: 174 x 4
  planet moon_name radius moons
  <chr> <chr> <dbl> <
                    NA <NULL>
1 Mercury NA
                    NA <NULL>
2 Venus
                  1738. <named list [1]>
3 Earth Moon
4 Jupiter Io
                  1822. <named list [1]>
5 Jupiter Europa
                  1561. <named list [1]>
6 Jupiter Ganymede
                  2631. <named list [1]>
7 Jupiter Callisto 2410. <named list [1]>
8 Jupiter Amalthea 83.4 < named list [1]>
9 Jupiter Himalia
                    85 < named list [1] >
10 Jupiter Elara
                    43 <named list [1]>
# ... with 164 more rows
```

Unnesting Google Maps data

```
city_df
```

¹ Example from tidyr documentation: https://tidyr.tidyverse.org/articles/rectangle.html



Unnesting Google maps data

```
city_df %>%
  unnest_wider(json)
```

```
A tibble: 5 x 3
 city results status
 <chr> <list> <chr>
1 Beijing <list [1] > OK
2 Buenos Aires <list [1] > OK
3 New Delhi <list [1] > OK
4 New York <list [1]> OK
5 Paris <list [1] > OK
```

¹ Example from tidyr documentation: https://tidyr.tidyverse.org/articles/rectangle.html



Unnesting Google maps data

```
city_df %>%
  unnest_wider(json) %>%
  unnest_longer(results) %>%
  unnest_wider(results)
```

```
city
            address_components formatted_address
                                              geometry
        <chr>
                           <chr>
1 Beijing <list [3]>
                           Beijing, China <named list [4]>
2 Buenos Aires <list [3]>
                           Buenos Aires, Argentina <named list [4]>
3 New Delhi <list [3]>
                           New Delhi, Delhi, India <named list [4]>
                           New York, NY, USA <named list [4]>
4 New York <list [3]>
5 Paris <list [4]>
                           Paris, France <named list [4]>
# ... with 4 more variables: place_id <chr>, types <list>, partial_match <lgl>, status <chr>
```

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Unnesting Google maps data

```
city_df %>%
  unnest_wider(json) %>%
  unnest_longer(results) %>%
  unnest_wider(results) %>%
  unnest_wider(geometry) %>%
  unnest_wider(location) %>%
  select(city, lat, lng)
```

¹ Example from tidyr documentation: https://tidyr.tidyverse.org/articles/rectangle.html



Selecting Google maps data with hoist()

```
city_df %>%
hoist(json,
    lat = list("results", 1, "geometry", "location", "lat"),
    lng = list("results", 1, "geometry", "location", "lng"))
```

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Nesting data for modeling

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USA Olympic performance

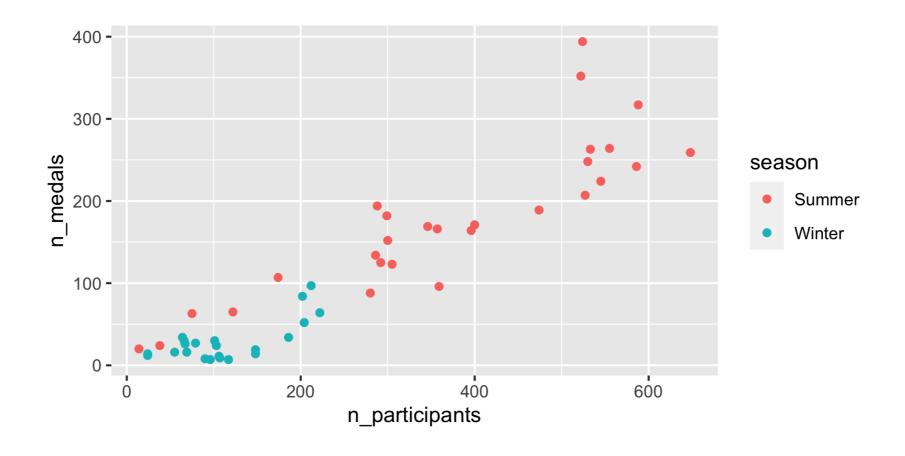
usa_olympic_df

```
# A tibble: 50 x 5
  country year season n_participants n_medals
                             <int>
  <chr>
          <dbl> <chr>
                                      <int>
1 USA 1896 Summer
                                14
                                         20
 2 USA 1900 Summer
                                75
                                        63
3 USA 1904 Summer
                               524
                                        394
 4 USA 1906 Summer
                                38
                                         24
5 USA 1908 Summer
                               122
                                        65
 6 USA 1912 Summer
                                        107
                               174
 ... with 44 more rows
```

USA Olympic performance

```
usa_olympic_df %>%

ggplot(aes(x = n_participants, y = n_medals, color = season))+
geom_point()
```



Modeling the pattern

```
model <- lm(n_medals ~ n_participants + 0, data = usa_olympics_df)
model</pre>
```

```
Call:

lm(formula = n_medals ~ n_participants + 0, data = usa_olympics_df)

Coefficients:

n_participants

0.463
```

Untidy model statistics

summary(model)

```
Call:
lm(formula = n_medals ~ n_participants + 0, data = usa_olympics_df)
Residuals:
   Min
                                  Max
            1Q Median 3Q
-70.222 - 36.175 - 9.554  6.871  151.380
Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
n_participants 0.46302 0.01791 25.86 <2e-16 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 40.17 on 49 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.9317, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9303
F-statistic: 668.5 on 1 and 49 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```



The broom package

broom::glance(model)

broom::tidy(model)

broom + dplyr + tidyr

```
usa_olympics_df %>%
  group_by(country) %>%
  nest()
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 2
# Groups: country [1]
  country data
  <chr>      <tibble [50 x 4]>
```

Nested tibble & purrr::map()

```
usa_olympics_df %>%
  group_by(country) %>%
  nest() %>%
  mutate(fit = purrr::map(data, function(df) lm(n_medals ~ n_participants + 0, data = df)))
```

Working with nested tibbles

```
usa_olympics_df %>%
  group_by(country) %>%
  nest() %>%
  mutate(fit = purrr::map(data, function(df) lm(n_medals ~ n_participants + 0, data = df)),
      glanced = purrr::map(fit, broom::glance))
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 4
# Groups: country [1]
country data fit glanced
<chr> <chr> <tibble [50 x 4]> <lm> <tibble [1 x 11]>
```

Unnesting model results

Unnesting model results

Multiple model pipeline

```
# A tibble: 2 x 9
# Groups: country, season [2]
                                               estimate std.error statistic p.value
 country season data
                    fit
                                  term
        <chr> <list> <list> <chr>
                                                  <dbl>
                                                           <dbl>
                                                                   <dbl>
                                                                           <dbl>
 <chr>
        Summer <tibble [28×3]> <lm>
                                 n_participants
                                                                   22.5 5.29e-19
1 USA
                                                          0.0213
                                                  0.478
2 USA
        Winter <tibble [22×3]> <lm>
                                                          0.0292
                                 n_participants
                                                  0.263
                                                                    9.00 1.18e- 8
```

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Congratulations!

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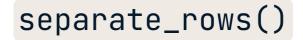


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Separating messy string columns

separate()





title	type	value	unit

drink	ingredients			
Α	1	12	2	3
В	1			2

drink	ingredients
Α	1
Α	2
Α	3
В	1
В	2

Pivoting data

pivot_longer()

country	1945	1946
USA	3	2
USSR	NA	NA

country	year	n_bombs
USA	1945	3
USA	1946	2
USSR	1945	NA
USSR	1946	NA

pivot_wider()

country	metric	value
Afghanistan	life_exp	62.7
Afghanistan	pct_obese	5.5
Albania	life_exp	76.4
Albania	pct_obese	21.7

country	pct_obese	life_exp
Afghanistan	5.5	62.7
Albania	21.7	76.4

Expanding data

complete()

year	artist	n_albums
1977	Beatles	2
1977	Rolling Stones	1
1979	Beatles	1

year	artist	n_albums
1977	Beatles	2
1977	Rolling Stones	1
1978	Beatles	0
1978	Rolling Stones	0
1979	Beatles	1
1979	Rolling Stones	0

Unnesting data

```
tibble(character = star_wars_list) %>%
  unnest_wider(character) %>%
  unnest_longer(films)
```

```
# A tibble: 45 x 2
              films
  name
  <chr>
              <chr>
 1 Chewbacca
              Revenge of the Sith
 2 Chewbacca
              Return of the Jedi
3 Chewbacca The Empire Strikes Back
 4 Chewbacca
              A New Hope
 5 Chewbacca The Force Awakens
 6 Darth Vader Revenge of the Sith
 7 Darth Vader Return of the Jedi
8 Darth Vader The Empire Strikes Back
# ... with 37 more rows
```

The end

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