

STA5092Z EDA Lecture 5-6

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Checking your data - Checklist

- Formulate your question
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We will go through these using the Boston, Ames, World Happiness Datasets. Before moving on, we will look at the code chunk options:

- `echo`: Show (TRUE) or hide (FALSE) the source code in output,
- `eval`: Execute (TRUE) or skip (FALSE) the code,
- `include`: Include both code and output in the rendered document (FALSE hides both),
- `warning`: Show (TRUE) or suppress (FALSE) warnings,
- `message`: Show (TRUE) or suppress (FALSE) messages,
- `results`: “markup” (default), “asis”, “hide”, “hold”. Controls how results are displayed,
- `cache`: Cache results for faster re-rendering,
- `error`: Show errors in output (TRUE) or stop rendering (FALSE).

Libraries

`pacman::p_load()` loads packages and installs missing ones. This is convenient for now, but in production/reproducible work you might want a fixed `renv` environment instead. See: [renv](#)

```
if (!require("pacman")) install.packages("pacman")
pacman::p_load(here, data.table, purrrlyr, reshape2,
               tidyverse, flextable, SmartEDA, DataExplorer, DT,
               inspectdf, lubridate, janitor, forcats,
               fastDummies, units, tsibble, feasts, fable,
               tmap, tmaptools, mapdeck, leaflet, leafgl,
               rgeoda, osmdata,
               exactextractr, hereR, ggmap,
               kableExtra, knitr,
               colourvalues, viridis,
               readxl, ggfortify, gganimate,
               grateful)
```

Ames Dataset

This problem presents a data set describing the sale of individual residential property in Ames, Iowa from 2006 to 2010. The data set contains 1460 observations and a large number of explanatory variables (nominal, ordinal, discrete, and continuous) involved in assessing home values. With 79 explanatory variables describing (almost) every aspect of residential homes in Ames, Iowa, this Kaggle competition challenges you to predict the final price of each home. The full dataset as provided on the Kaggle website has been provided on Vula in the file ames.csv or in the following link:

[Kaggle AMES competition](#)

1) Load the data + quick missingness summary (variable-level)

```
ames <- read.csv(here::here("Datasets", "Ames", "ames.csv"))
library(naniar)
```

Warning: package 'naniar' was built under R version 4.4.3

Attaching package: 'naniar'

The following object is masked from 'package:tsibble':

pedestrian

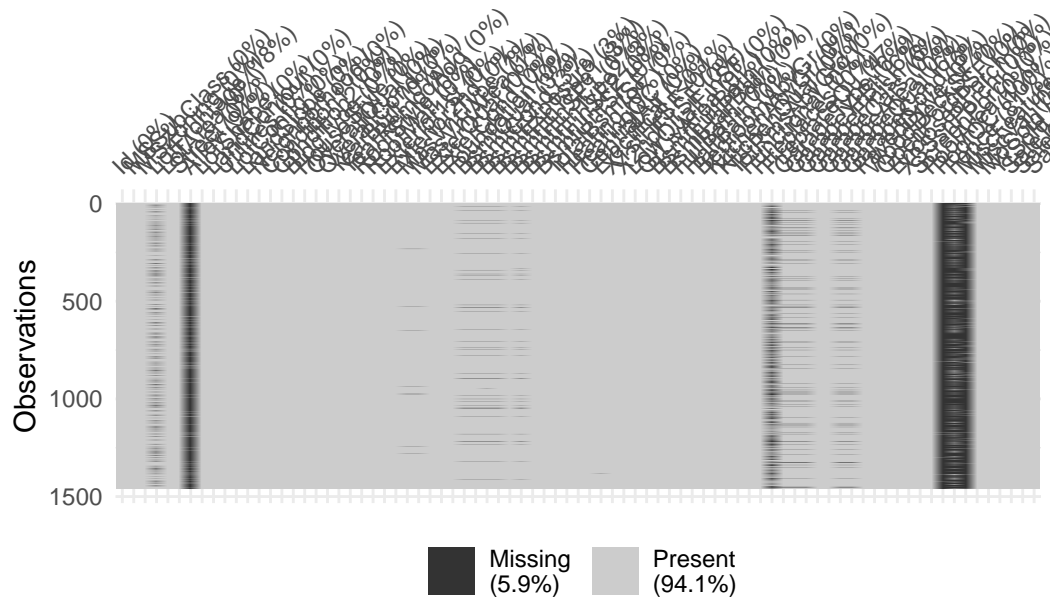
```
ames |>
  miss_var_summary()
```

```
# A tibble: 81 x 3
  variable      n_miss pct_miss
  <chr>         <int>   <num>
1 PoolQC         1453    99.5
2 MiscFeature    1406    96.3
3 Alley          1369    93.8
4 Fence          1179    80.8
5 FireplaceQu     690    47.3
6 LotFrontage     259    17.7
7 GarageType       81     5.55
8 GarageYrBlt       81     5.55
9 GarageFinish       81     5.55
10 GarageQual       81     5.55
# i 71 more rows
```

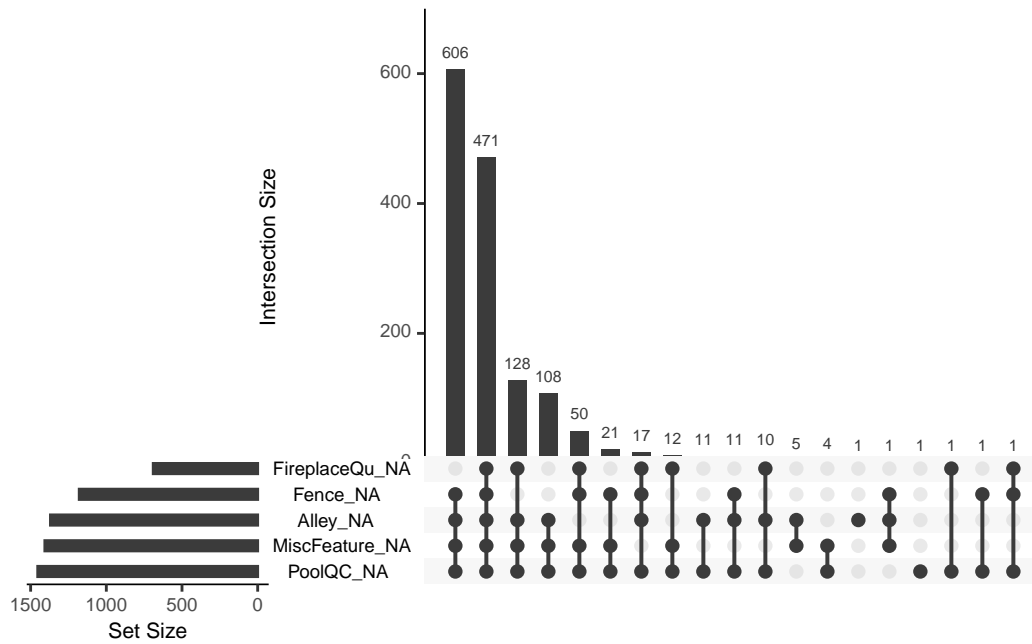
Here we should look for variables with very high percentage missingness which may need special handling (drop, impute, or treat missing as meaningful). Identify patterns like “structural missingness” (e.g., PoolArea missing because most houses have no pool).

2) Visualize missingness patterns (row-level + structure)

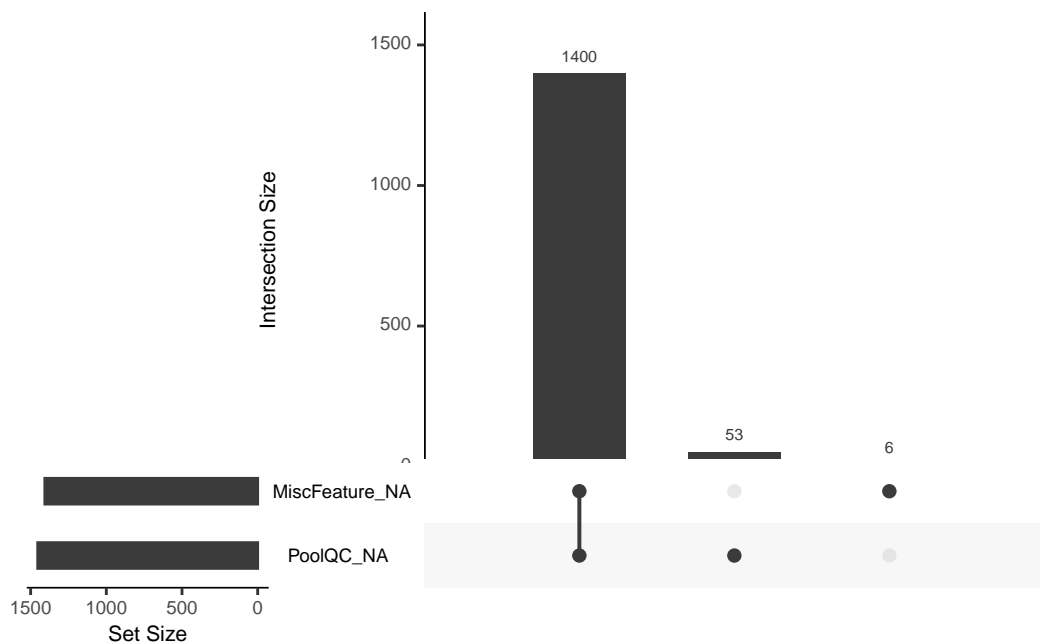
```
vis_miss(ames)
```



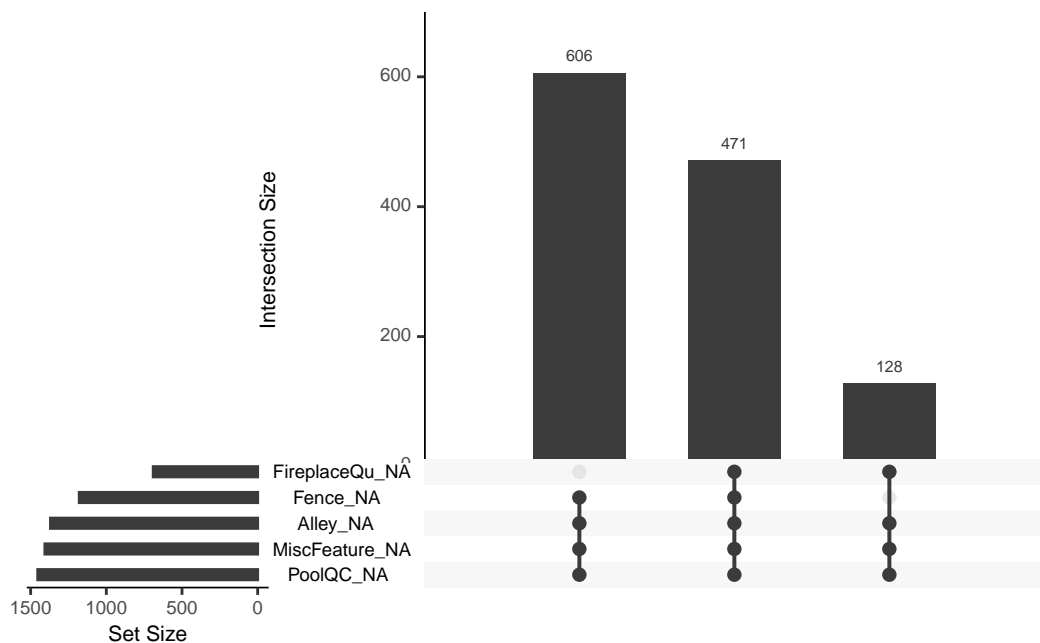
```
gg_miss_upset(ames)
```



```
gg_miss_upset(ames, nsets=2) #nsets comparing the top missing two sets
```



```
gg_miss_upset(ames, nintersects=3) #nsets, nintersects are some useful options.
```



If a few variables dominate missingness, you can focus cleaning there. If certain variables always go missing together, it might indicate a data collection rule.

3) SmartEDA: automated overview tables

Are the variable types correct? Are there “coded” missing values (like 0 or 999) that aren’t NA?

```
library(SmartEDA)
summarytable = ExpData(data = ames, type = 2)
summarytable
```

	Index	Variable_Name	Variable_Type	Sample_n	Missing_Count	Per_of_Missing
1	1	Id	integer	1460	0	0.000
2	2	MSSubClass	integer	1460	0	0.000
3	3	MSZoning	character	1460	0	0.000
4	4	LotFrontage	integer	1201	259	0.177
5	5	LotArea	integer	1460	0	0.000
6	6	Street	character	1460	0	0.000
7	7	Alley	character	91	1369	0.938
8	8	LotShape	character	1460	0	0.000
9	9	LandContour	character	1460	0	0.000
10	10	Utilities	character	1460	0	0.000
11	11	LotConfig	character	1460	0	0.000
12	12	LandSlope	character	1460	0	0.000
13	13	Neighborhood	character	1460	0	0.000
14	14	Condition1	character	1460	0	0.000
15	15	Condition2	character	1460	0	0.000
16	16	BldgType	character	1460	0	0.000
17	17	HouseStyle	character	1460	0	0.000
18	18	OverallQual	integer	1460	0	0.000
19	19	OverallCond	integer	1460	0	0.000
20	20	YearBuilt	integer	1460	0	0.000
21	21	YearRemodAdd	integer	1460	0	0.000
22	22	RoofStyle	character	1460	0	0.000
23	23	RoofMatl	character	1460	0	0.000
24	24	Exterior1st	character	1460	0	0.000
25	25	Exterior2nd	character	1460	0	0.000
26	26	MasVnrType	character	1452	8	0.005
27	27	MasVnrArea	integer	1452	8	0.005
28	28	ExterQual	character	1460	0	0.000
29	29	ExterCond	character	1460	0	0.000

30	30	Foundation	character	1460	0	0.000
31	31	BsmtQual	character	1423	37	0.025
32	32	BsmtCond	character	1423	37	0.025
33	33	BsmtExposure	character	1422	38	0.026
34	34	BsmtFinType1	character	1423	37	0.025
35	35	BsmtFinSF1	integer	1460	0	0.000
36	36	BsmtFinType2	character	1422	38	0.026
37	37	BsmtFinSF2	integer	1460	0	0.000
38	38	BsmtUnfSF	integer	1460	0	0.000
39	39	TotalBsmtSF	integer	1460	0	0.000
40	40	Heating	character	1460	0	0.000
41	41	HeatingQC	character	1460	0	0.000
42	42	CentralAir	character	1460	0	0.000
43	43	Electrical	character	1459	1	0.001
44	44	X1stFlrSF	integer	1460	0	0.000
45	45	X2ndFlrSF	integer	1460	0	0.000
46	46	LowQualFinSF	integer	1460	0	0.000
47	47	GrLivArea	integer	1460	0	0.000
48	48	BsmtFullBath	integer	1460	0	0.000
49	49	BsmtHalfBath	integer	1460	0	0.000
50	50	FullBath	integer	1460	0	0.000
51	51	HalfBath	integer	1460	0	0.000
52	52	BedroomAbvGr	integer	1460	0	0.000
53	53	KitchenAbvGr	integer	1460	0	0.000
54	54	KitchenQual	character	1460	0	0.000
55	55	TotRmsAbvGrd	integer	1460	0	0.000
56	56	Functional	character	1460	0	0.000
57	57	Fireplaces	integer	1460	0	0.000
58	58	FireplaceQu	character	770	690	0.473
59	59	GarageType	character	1379	81	0.055
60	60	GarageYrBlt	integer	1379	81	0.055
61	61	GarageFinish	character	1379	81	0.055
62	62	GarageCars	integer	1460	0	0.000
63	63	GarageArea	integer	1460	0	0.000
64	64	GarageQual	character	1379	81	0.055
65	65	GarageCond	character	1379	81	0.055
66	66	PavedDrive	character	1460	0	0.000
67	67	WoodDeckSF	integer	1460	0	0.000
68	68	OpenPorchSF	integer	1460	0	0.000
69	69	EnclosedPorch	integer	1460	0	0.000
70	70	X3SsnPorch	integer	1460	0	0.000
71	71	ScreenPorch	integer	1460	0	0.000
72	72	PoolArea	integer	1460	0	0.000

73	73	PoolQC	character	7	1453	0.995
74	74	Fence	character	281	1179	0.808
75	75	MiscFeature	character	54	1406	0.963
76	76	MiscVal	integer	1460	0	0.000
77	77	MoSold	integer	1460	0	0.000
78	78	YrSold	integer	1460	0	0.000
79	79	SaleType	character	1460	0	0.000
80	80	SaleCondition	character	1460	0	0.000
81	81	SalePrice	integer	1460	0	0.000

No_of_distinct_values

1	1460
2	15
3	5
4	110
5	1073
6	2
7	3
8	4
9	4
10	2
11	5
12	3
13	25
14	9
15	8
16	5
17	8
18	10
19	9
20	112
21	61
22	6
23	8
24	15
25	16
26	5
27	327
28	4
29	5
30	6
31	5
32	5
33	5

34	7
35	637
36	7
37	144
38	780
39	721
40	6
41	5
42	2
43	6
44	753
45	417
46	24
47	861
48	4
49	3
50	4
51	3
52	8
53	4
54	4
55	12
56	7
57	4
58	6
59	7
60	97
61	4
62	5
63	441
64	6
65	6
66	3
67	274
68	202
69	120
70	20
71	76
72	8
73	4
74	5
75	5
76	21

77	12
78	5
79	9
80	6
81	663

4) Exporting summary tables to LaTeX (for reports)

This is especially important to make results “publication-ready”. Helps with controlling formatting rather than pasting screenshots.

```
library(knitr)
library(kableExtra)
library(magrittr)
```

Attaching package: 'magrittr'

The following object is masked from 'package:ggmap':

inset

The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':

set_names

The following object is masked from 'package:tidyr':

extract

```
summarytable |>
  kable(format = 'latex', booktabs = TRUE) |>
  add_header_above(header = c("Text" = 2, "Values" = 2))
```

Text		Values		Missing_Count	Per_of_Missing	No_of_distinct
Index	Variable_Name	Variable_Type	Sample_n			
1	Id	integer	1460	0	0.000	
2	MSSubClass	integer	1460	0	0.000	
3	MSZoning	character	1460	0	0.000	
4	LotFrontage	integer	1201	259	0.177	
5	LotArea	integer	1460	0	0.000	
6	Street	character	1460	0	0.000	
7	Alley	character	91	1369	0.938	
8	LotShape	character	1460	0	0.000	
9	LandContour	character	1460	0	0.000	
10	Utilities	character	1460	0	0.000	
11	LotConfig	character	1460	0	0.000	
12	LandSlope	character	1460	0	0.000	
13	Neighborhood	character	1460	0	0.000	
14	Condition1	character	1460	0	0.000	
15	Condition2	character	1460	0	0.000	
16	BldgType	character	1460	0	0.000	
17	HouseStyle	character	1460	0	0.000	
18	OverallQual	integer	1460	0	0.000	
19	OverallCond	integer	1460	0	0.000	
20	YearBuilt	integer	1460	0	0.000	
21	YearRemodAdd	integer	1460	0	0.000	
22	RoofStyle	character	1460	0	0.000	
23	RoofMatl	character	1460	0	0.000	
24	Exterior1st	character	1460	0	0.000	
25	Exterior2nd	character	1460	0	0.000	
26	MasVnrType	character	1452	8	0.005	
27	MasVnrArea	integer	1452	8	0.005	
28	ExterQual	character	1460	0	0.000	
29	ExterCond	character	1460	0	0.000	
30	Foundation	character	1460	0	0.000	
31	BsmtQual	character	1423	37	0.025	
32	BsmtCond	character	1423	37	0.025	
33	BsmtExposure	character	1422	38	0.026	
34	BsmtFinType1	character	1423	37	0.025	
35	BsmtFinSF1	integer	1460	0	0.000	
36	BsmtFinType2	character	1422	38	0.026	
37	BsmtFinSF2	integer	1460	0	0.000	
38	BsmtUnfSF	integer	1460	0	0.000	
39	TotalBsmtSF	integer	1460	0	0.000	
40	Heating	character	1460	0	0.000	
41	HeatingQC	character	1460	0	0.000	
42	CentralAir	character	1460	0	0.000	
43	Electrical	character	1459	1	0.001	
44	X1stFlrSF	integer	1460	0	0.000	
45	X2ndFlrSF	integer	1460	0	0.000	
46	LowQualFinSF	integer	1460	0	0.000	
47	GrLivArea	integer	1460	0	0.000	

Or using `flextable()` package to obtain the summary for numerical variables:

```
library(flextable)
ExpNumStat(ames,by="A",gp=NULL,round=2,Nlim=50) |>
  flextable() |>
  autofit() # Summary Table
```

Vname	Group	TN	nNeg	nZero	nPos	NegInf	PosInf	NA_v
BsmtFinSF1	All	1,460	0	467	993	0	0	
BsmtFinSF2	All	1,460	0	1,293	167	0	0	
BsmtUnfSF	All	1,460	0	118	1,342	0	0	
EnclosedPorch	All	1,460	0	1,252	208	0	0	
GarageArea	All	1,460	0	81	1,379	0	0	
GarageYrBlt	All	1,460	0	0	1,379	0	0	
GrLivArea	All	1,460	0	0	1,460	0	0	
Id	All	1,460	0	0	1,460	0	0	
LotArea	All	1,460	0	0	1,460	0	0	
LotFrontage	All	1,460	0	0	1,201	0	0	
MasVnrArea	All	1,460	0	861	591	0	0	
OpenPorchSF	All	1,460	0	656	804	0	0	
SalePrice	All	1,460	0	0	1,460	0	0	
ScreenPorch	All	1,460	0	1,344	116	0	0	
TotalBsmtSF	All	1,460	0	37	1,423	0	0	
WoodDeckSF	All	1,460	0	761	699	0	0	
X1stFlrSF	All	1,460	0	0	1,460	0	0	
X2ndFlrSF	All	1,460	0	829	631	0	0	
YearBuilt	All	1,460	0	0	1,460	0	0	
YearRemodAdd	All	1,460	0	0	1,460	0	0	

5) Numeric summaries with SmartEDA + display with flextable

See what summary information there is available for you. PPeek at column names of the summary output so you can select/format them.

```
ExpNumStat(ames,by="A",gp=NULL,round=2,Nlim=50) |>
  names()
```

```
[1] "Vname"      "Group"      "TN"         "nNeg"
[5] "nZero"      "nPos"       "NegInf"     "PosInf"
[9] "NA_Value"   "Per_of_Missing" "sum"        "min"
[13] "max"        "mean"       "median"     "SD"
[17] "CV"         "IQR"        "Skewness"   "Kurtosis"
```

Select only a few informative columns (Vname, min, max, CV) and customise header row for readability. You're modelling good communication: don't overwhelm people with 20 columns.

```
ExpNumStat(ames,by="A",gp=NULL,round=2,Nlim=50) |>
  select(c("Vname","min", "max", "CV")) |>
  flextable() |>
  delete_part(part = "header") |>
  add_header_row(
    values = c("Variable", "Minimum", "Maximum", "Coefficient of Variation")) |>
  bold(part = "header") |>
  align(align = "center", part = "header")|>
  theme_booktabs()
```

Variable	Minimum	Maximum	Coefficient of Variation
BsmtFinSF1	0	5,644	1.03
BsmtFinSF2	0	1,474	3.47
BsmtUnfSF	0	2,336	0.78
EnclosedPorch	0	552	2.78
GarageArea	0	1,418	0.45
GarageYrBlt	1,900	2,010	0.01
GrLivArea	334	5,642	0.35

Variable	Minimum	Maximum	Coefficient of Variation
Id	1	1,460	0.58
LotArea	1,300	215,245	0.95
LotFrontage	21	313	0.35
MasVnrArea	0	1,600	1.75
OpenPorchSF	0	547	1.42
SalePrice	34,900	755,000	0.44
ScreenPorch	0	480	3.70
TotalBsmtSF	0	6,110	0.41
WoodDeckSF	0	857	1.33
X1stFlrSF	334	4,692	0.33
X2ndFlrSF	0	2,065	1.26
YearBuilt	1,872	2,010	0.02
YearRemodAdd	1,950	2,010	0.01

```
#autofit()
```

6) Summary tables per group (group-aware EDA)

You can have your summary tables per group. Some EDA questions are conditional: e.g., “Do houses with different heating types have different distributions for some numeric variable?”

You need to decide to use **Group** based on which variable? Are group differences meaningful, or just noise? Do missing values differ by group (potential bias)?

```
ExpNumStat(ames,by="A",gp=NULL,round=2,Nlim=50) |>
  select(c("Vname","Group", "min", "max", "CV")) |>
  flextable() |>
  delete_part(part = "header") |>
  width(j = c("min","max","Vname"), width = 1) |>
  width(j = "Group", width = 1) |>
  width(j = "CV", width = 1.4) |>
  # set_table_properties(layout = "fixed")|>
```

```

add_header_row(
  values = c("Variable", "Heating Group", "Minimum", "Maximum", "Coefficient of Variation"))
bold(part = "header") |>
align(align = "center", part = "header")|>
theme_booktabs()

```

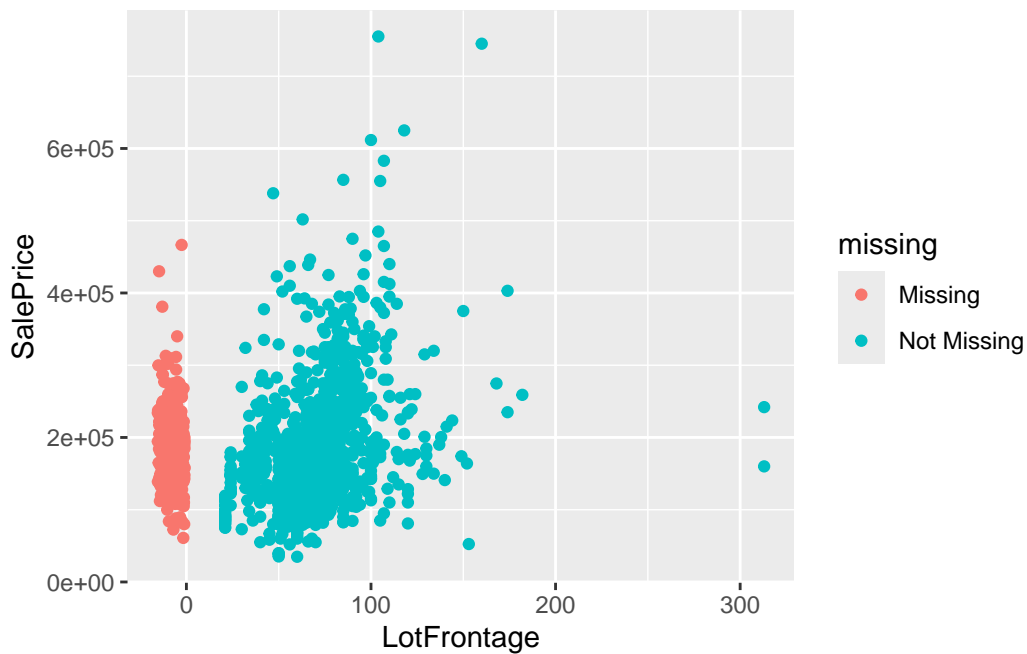
Variable	Heating Group	Minimum	Maximum	Coefficient of Variation
BsmtFinSF1	All	0	5,644	1.03
BsmtFinSF2	All	0	1,474	3.47
BsmtUnfSF	All	0	2,336	0.78
EnclosedPorch	All	0	552	2.78
GarageArea	All	0	1,418	0.45
GarageYrBlt	All	1,900	2,010	0.01
GrLivArea	All	334	5,642	0.35
Id	All	1	1,460	0.58
LotArea	All	1,300	215,245	0.95
LotFrontage	All	21	313	0.35
MasVnrArea	All	0	1,600	1.75
OpenPorchSF	All	0	547	1.42
SalePrice	All	34,900	755,000	0.44
ScreenPorch	All	0	480	3.70
TotalBsmtSF	All	0	6,110	0.41
WoodDeckSF	All	0	857	1.33
X1stFlrSF	All	334	4,692	0.33
X2ndFlrSF	All	0	2,065	1.26
YearBuilt	All	1,872	2,010	0.02
YearRemodAdd	All	1,950	2,010	0.01

```
# autofit()
```

7) Missingness in scatterplots: is missingness related to outcome?

If LotFrontage is missing more often for low- or high-priced houses, the missingness may not be random (important for modelling decisions).

```
ames |>  
  ggplot(aes(x=LotFrontage, y=SalePrice)) +  
  geom_miss_point()
```



8) Example: zeros / rare values (PoolArea)

Understand the distribution of PoolArea. Often PoolArea is 0 for most houses (no pool) and positive for a few.

```
ames |>  
  count(PoolArea)
```

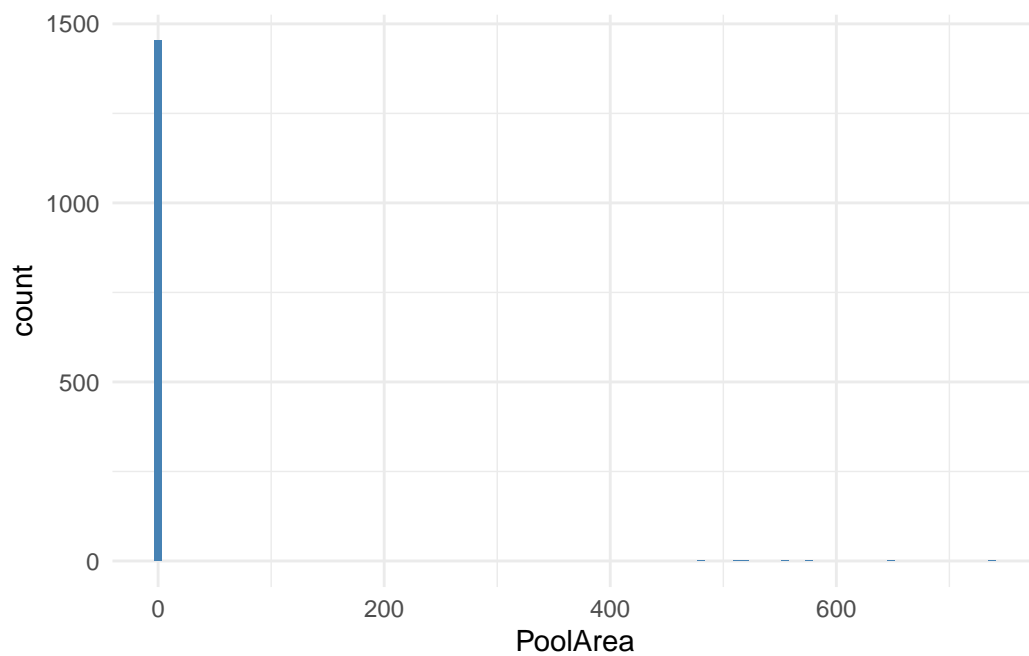
	PoolArea	n
1	0	1453

2	480	1
3	512	1
4	519	1
5	555	1
6	576	1
7	648	1
8	738	1

```
ames |>
  summarise(meanpool = mean(PoolArea, na.rm = TRUE))
```

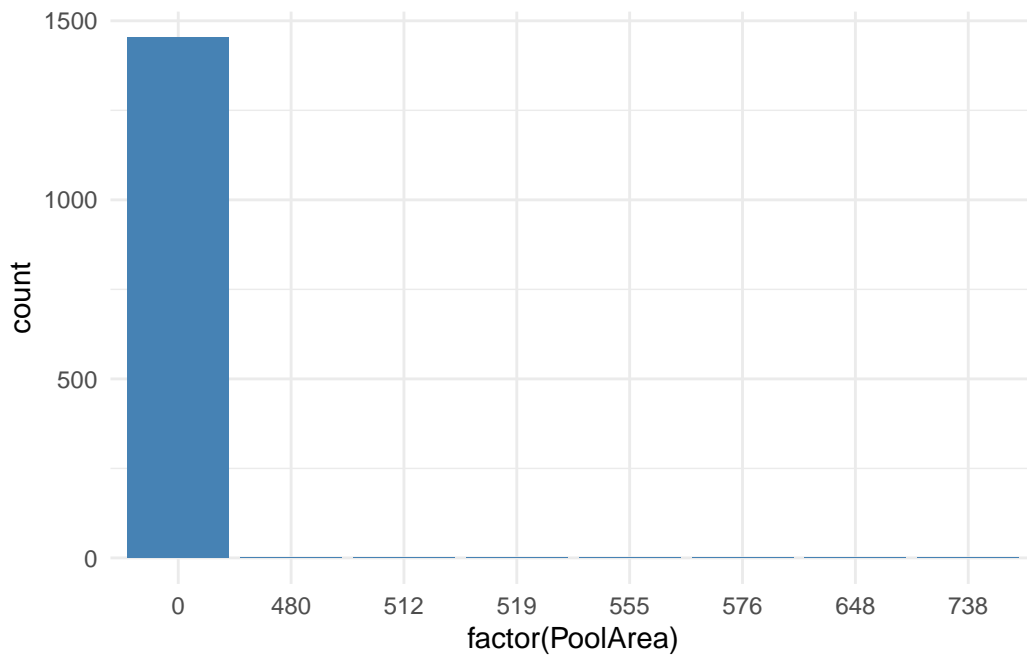
```
meanpool
1 2.758904
```

```
ames |>
  ggplot(aes(x=PoolArea))+
  geom_bar(stat="count", fill="steelblue")+
  theme_minimal()
```



```
ames |>
  ggplot(aes(x=factor(PoolArea)))+
```

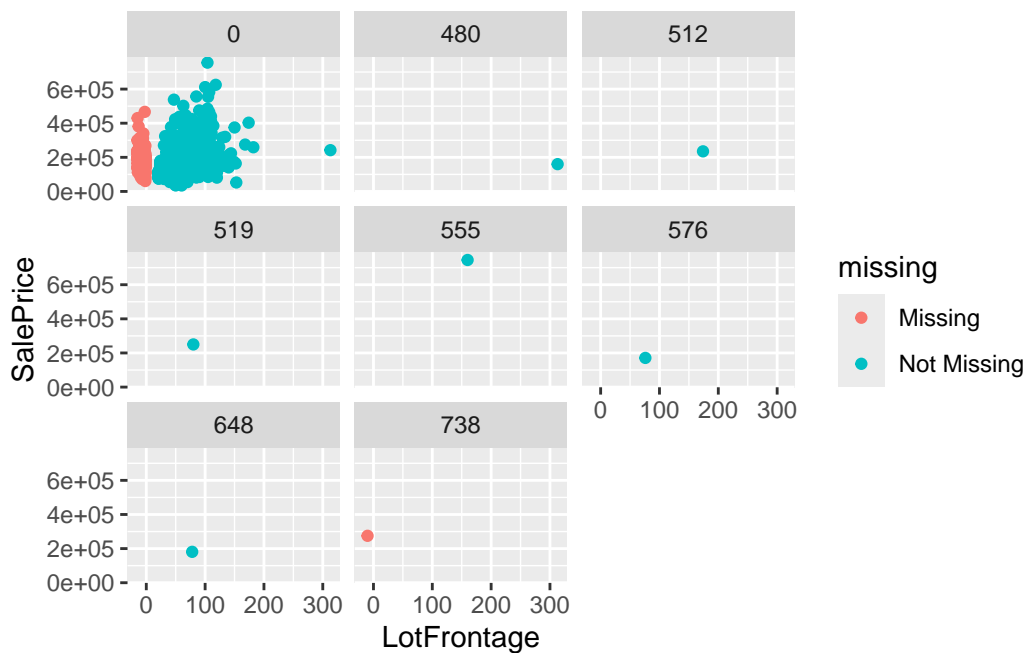
```
geom_bar(stat="count", fill="steelblue")+  
theme_minimal()
```



9) Faceting to compare relationships across subgroups (PoolArea)

Does the LotFrontage–SalePrice relationship differ by PoolArea category? Faceting is a quick “small multiples” strategy to explore subgroup structure.

```
ames |>  
  ggplot(aes(x=LotFrontage, y=SalePrice)) +  
  geom_miss_point()+  
  facet_wrap(~PoolArea)
```



10) Missingness by group + missingness by factor

If missingness differs across groups, analyses can become biased.

```
ames |>
  group_by(Street) |>
  miss_var_summary()
```

```
# A tibble: 160 x 4
# Groups:   Street [2]
  Street variable    n_miss pct_miss
  <chr>   <chr>      <int>   <num>
1 Pave   PoolQC        1447    99.5
2 Pave   MiscFeature   1403    96.5
3 Pave   Alley         1363    93.7
4 Pave   Fence         1173    80.7
5 Pave   FireplaceQu    686    47.2
6 Pave   LotFrontage    258    17.7
7 Pave   GarageType      80     5.50
8 Pave   GarageYrBlt     80     5.50
9 Pave   GarageFinish    80     5.50
10 Pave   GarageQual      80     5.50
# i 150 more rows
```

```
ames <- ames |>
  mutate(PoolAreaF = as.factor(PoolArea))

gg_miss_fct(x=ames, fct = PoolAreaF)
```

