

Tidy data

Peter Ralph

13 October – Advanced Biological Statistics

1

Tidy data

2 . 1

Checklist for data tidiness

- Store a copy of data in a nonproprietary format, (e.g. plain ASCII text)
- Leave an uncorrected file when doing analyses
- Use descriptive names for your data files and variables
- Include a header line with descriptive variable names
- Maintain effective metadata about the data (a README)
- Add new observations to a dataset by *row*
- Add new variables to a dataset by *column*
- A column of data should contain only one data type
- All measurements of the same type should be in the same column

2 . 2

Critique:
images of lab notebooks pasted into an Excel document

2 / 3

Number of eggs laid by some chickens

| breed | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|------------------|---|----|----|----|----|----|
| rhode island red | 5 | 6 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| white leghorn | 7 | 5 | 6 | 8 | NA | NA |
| barred rock | 3 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| jersey giant | 5 | 2 | 8 | NA | NA | NA |
| australorp | 4 | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

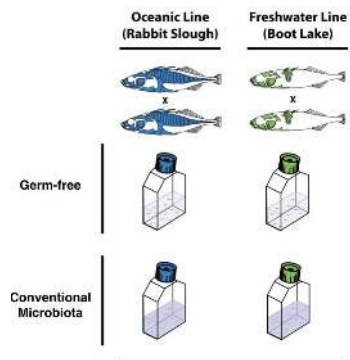
2 / 4

| | breed | num_eggs |
|----|------------------|----------|
| 11 | rhode island red | 5 |
| 21 | rhode island red | 6 |
| 12 | white leghorn | 7 |
| 22 | white leghorn | 5 |
| 32 | white leghorn | 6 |
| 42 | white leghorn | 8 |
| 13 | barred rock | 3 |
| 23 | barred rock | 2 |
| 33 | barred rock | 4 |
| 43 | barred rock | 4 |
| 53 | barred rock | 3 |
| 63 | barred rock | 4 |
| 14 | jersey giant | 5 |
| 24 | jersey giant | 2 |
| 34 | jersey giant | 8 |
| 15 | australorp | 4 |

2 / 5

Exercise

Design a tidy data format for the stickleback experiment: two strains of stickleback were made microbe free, placed in tanks and either inoculated with microbes or not, then had their gene expression measured with RNA-seq. Sex is recorded, also.



2 . 6

Tools for tidy data

Tidying data is *hard*!

2 . 7

Tools for tidy data

Tidying data is *hard*!

... and often requires expert input.

2 . 7

Tools for tidy data

Tidying data is *hard*!

... and often requires expert input.

Many common *data wrangling* operations are made easier by the [tidyverse](#).

2 / 7

The “tidyverse”

- packages that do many of the same things as base functions in R
- designed to do them more “cleanly”
- also includes ggplot (for “Grammar of Graphics”)

2 / 8

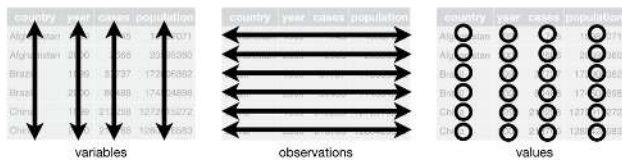
A tibble is a data frame

```
#> # A tibble: 234 × 11
#>   manufacturer model displ year  cyl  trans drv  cty hwy fl
#>   <chr> <chr> <dbl> <int> <int> <chr> <chr> <int> <int> <chr>
#> 1   audi  a4    1.8  1999    4 auto(l5) f  18  29  p
#> 2   audi  a4    1.8  1999    4 manual(m5) f  21  29  p
#> 3   audi  a4    2.0  2008    4 manual(m6) f  20  31  p
#> 4   audi  a4    2.0  2008    4 auto(av) f  21  30  p
#> 5   audi  a4    2.8  1999    6 auto(l5) f  16  26  p
#> 6   audi  a4    2.8  1999    6 manual(m5) f  18  26  p
#> # ... with 228 more rows, and 1 more variables: class <chr>
```

manufacturer
model - model name
displ - engine displacement, in litres
year - year of manufacture
cyl - number of cylinders
Trans - type of transmission
drv - f = front-wheel drive, r = rear wheel drive, 4 = 4wd
cty - city miles per gallon
hwy - highway miles per gallon
fl - fuel type
class - “type” of car

A tibble is a data frame

```
#> # A tibble: 234 × 11
#>   manufacturer model displ year   cyl trans  drv  cty   hwy fl
#>   <chr>    <chr> <dbl> <int> <int>   <chr> <chr> <int> <int> <chr>
#> 1   audi    a4     1.8  1999     4 auto(l5) f  18  29   p
#> 2   audi    a4     1.8  1999     4 manual(m5) f  21  29   p
#> 3   audi    a4     2.0  2008     4 manual(m6) f  20  31   p
#> 4   audi    a4     2.0  2008     4 auto(av) f  21  30   p
#> 5   audi    a4     2.8  1999     6 auto(l5) f  16  26   p
#> 6   audi    a4     2.8  1999     6 manual(m5) f  18  26   p
#> # ... with 228 more rows, and 1 more variables: class <chr>
```



Key functions in dplyr

- Pick observations by their values with `filter()`.
- Reorder the rows with `arrange()`.
- Pick variables by their names with `select()`.
- Create new variables with functions of existing variables with `mutate()`.
- Collapse many values down to a single summary with `summarise()`.

2 / 11

`filter()`, `arrange()` and `select()`

```
a1 <- select(airbnb, neighbourhood, price, host_id, beds, bathrooms)
```

```
a2 <- filter(a1, neighbourhood == "Richmond"  
| neighbourhood == "Woodlawn"  
| neighbourhood == "Downtown")
```

```
a3 <- arrange(a2, price, neighbourhood)
```

2 / 12

Also, the “pipe”

```
a3 <- (select(airbnb, neighbourhood, price, host_id, beds, bathrooms)  
  %>% filter(neighbourhood == "Richmond"  
| neighbourhood == "Woodlawn"  
| neighbourhood == "Downtown")  
  %>% arrange(price, neighbourhood))
```

2 / 12

Tidyverse:

```
a3 <- (select(airbnb, neighbourhood, price, host_id, beds, bathrooms)
  %>% filter(neighbourhood == "Richmond"
    | neighbourhood == "Woodlawn"
    | neighbourhood == "Downtown")
  %>% arrange(price, neighbourhood))
```

2 / 14

Tidyverse:

```
a3 <- (select(airbnb, neighbourhood, price, host_id, beds, bathrooms)
  %>% filter(neighbourhood == "Richmond"
    | neighbourhood == "Woodlawn"
    | neighbourhood == "Downtown")
  %>% arrange(price, neighbourhood))
```

Base:

```
a1 <- airbnb[,c("neighbourhood", "price", "host_id", "beds", "bathrooms")]
a2 <- subset(a1, neighbourhood %in% c("Richmond", "Woodlawn", "Downtown"))
a3 <- a2[order(a2$price, a2$price), ]
```

2 / 14

mutate() and transmute()

Add new variables:

```
mutate(a3,
  price_per_bed = price / beds,
  price_per_bath = price / bathrooms)
```

Or, make an entirely new data frame:

```
transmute(airbnb,
  price = price,
  price_per_bed = price / beds,
  price_per_bath = price / bathrooms)
```

2 / 15

group_by() and summarize()

group_by() aggregates data by category, e.g.:

```
by_hood <- group_by(a3, neighbourhood)
```

Now, you can calculate *summaries* of other variables *within* each group, e.g.:

```
summarise(by_hood, price = mean(price, na.rm = TRUE))
```

2 / 16

Your turn

1. Make a data frame only including rooms in the top ten neighbourhoods. Then, using only these neighbourhoods...
2. Find the mean price, cleaning_fee, and ratio of cleaning fee to price, by neighbourhood.
3. Edit your code in (2) to add variables for the 25% and 75% quantile of price (use quantile()).
4. Do as in (2) and (3) but splitting by both neighbourhood and room_type (e.g., finding the mean price of private rooms in Woodlawn).
5. Edit your code in (1) to add a new variable giving the number of characters in the house_rules (use nchar()).

2 / 17

Only top ten neighbourhoods

```
neighbourhood_counts <- (airbnb
  %>% group_by(neighbourhood) %>% summarize(count=n())
  %>% arrange(count))
top_ten <- neighbourhood_counts$neighbourhood[nrow(neighbourhood_counts) - 0:9]
sub_bnb <- filter(airbnb, neighbourhood %in% top_ten) %>% droplevels
```

2 / 18

Find mean price, cleaning fee, and ratio by hood

```
cleaning <- (sub_bnb
  %>% group_by(neighbourhood)
  %>% summarise(mean_price=mean(price, na.rm=TRUE),
    mean_cleaning_fee=mean(cleaning_fee, na.rm=TRUE),
    prop_cleaning=mean(cleaning_fee/price, na.rm=TRUE)))
cleaning
```

| neighbourhood | mean_price | mean_cleaning_fee | prop_cleaning |
|----------------------|------------|-------------------|---------------|
| <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> |
| 1 Boise-Eliot | 118. | 62.6 | 0.545 |
| 2 Buckman | 129. | 58.6 | 0.482 |
| 3 Concordia | 113. | 55.8 | 0.519 |
| 4 Downtown | 237. | 85.5 | 0.466 |
| 5 Hosford-Abernethy | 133. | 58.8 | 0.441 |
| 6 King | 121. | 60.8 | 0.612 |
| 7 Northwest District | 142. | 65.5 | 0.506 |
| 8 Overlook | 105. | 54.7 | 0.534 |
| 9 Richmond | 118. | 59.7 | 0.512 |
| 10 Sunnyside | 114. | 56.8 | 0.513 |

Add quartiles

```
cleaning <- (sub_bnb
  %>% group_by(neighbourhood)
  %>% summarise(mean_price=mean(price, na.rm=TRUE),
    first_quartile_price=quantile(price, probs=0.25,
      na.rm=TRUE),
    third_quartile_price=quantile(price, probs=0.75,
      na.rm=TRUE),
    mean_cleaning_fee=mean(cleaning_fee, na.rm=TRUE),
    prop_cleaning=mean(cleaning_fee/price, na.rm=TRUE)))
cleaning
```

| neighbourhood | mean_price | first_quartile_price | third_quartile_price | mean_clea |
|----------------------|------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> |
| 1 Boise-Eliot | 118. | 75 | 135 | |
| 2 Buckman | 129. | 84.5 | 146 | |
| 3 Concordia | 113. | 70 | 130. | |
| 4 Downtown | 237. | 101 | 300 | |
| 5 Hosford-Abernethy | 133. | 84 | 153 | |
| 6 King | 121. | 69 | 138 | |
| 7 Northwest District | 142. | 89 | 163 | |
| 8 Overlook | 105. | 65.8 | 119. | |
| 9 Richmond | 118. | 75 | 129 | |
| 10 Sunnyside | 114. | 73.2 | 134. | |

split also by room type

```
cleaning <- (sub_bnb
  %>% group_by(neighbourhood, room_type)
  %>% summarise(mean_price=mean(price, na.rm=TRUE),
    first_quartile_price=quantile(price, probs=0.25,
      na.rm=TRUE),
    third_quartile_price=quantile(price, probs=0.75,
      na.rm=TRUE),
    mean_cleaning_fee=mean(cleaning_fee, na.rm=TRUE),
    prop_cleaning=mean(cleaning_fee/price, na.rm=TRUE)))
cleaning
```

| neighbourhood | room_type | mean_price | first_quartile_price | third_quartile_pric |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> |
| 1 Boise-Eliot | Entire home/apt | 130. | 89 | 150. |
| 2 Boise-Eliot | Private room | 74.3 | 55 | 85 |
| 3 Boise-Eliot | Shared room | 81.8 | 36 | 75 |
| 4 Buckman | Entire home/apt | 136. | 95 | 150. |
| 5 Buckman | Private room | 106. | 50 | 91. |
| 6 Buckman | Shared room | 25 | 25 | 25 |
| 7 Concordia | Entire home/apt | 125. | 85 | 145 |
| 8 Concordia | Private room | 70.6 | 49 | 77 |
| 9 Downtown | Entire home/apt | 258. | 125 | 300 |
| 10 Downtown | Private room | 95.4 | 59 | 100 |
| ... with 15 more rows | | | | |

