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Class 1: Reading files and 'dplyr'

Do now

Do now:

Complete the intro poll at bit.ly/acc_intro_poll

After the poll

Download lab_1 from the course webpage: harris-coding-lab.github.io.

Notice

► Earlier we had a typo for the link to lab_0 on canvas, which is now fixed. Sorry for inconvience.

Expectations

From you:

- do the work (i.e. watch video, try basics, do lab, bring questions)
- engage in course! (i.e. work with partners, answer questions, do polls)
- have R and RStudio installed!

From us:

- prepare engaging lesson materials
- address your questions
- help you be confident for core (confident != R expert)

From everyone:

be nice to each other and create a growth-focused environment

Do the work

- ► Step 1. Videos
- ▶ Step 1a. Basics
- ► Step 2. QA
- ► Step 3. Lab

Not an expert

We cover:

- how to work with basic data structures (tibbles, vectors)
- how to read and manipulate data
- programmer logic (if statements, loops, functions)

We won't cover in depth:

- most statistical tools
- how to join data together
- how to convert data from long to wide (pivoting)
- how to deal with very messy data
- how to work with specific data types (e.g. dates, advanced strings)
- among other things like webscrapping, package development and so forth

Today's session

- Set up working directories
- ► Review some questions from QA
- ► Highlight key points and open up for live questions

Setting up working directory and coding environment

- Do you have a folder on your computer for coding lab material?
 If not, create one and make sure you know the path to the folder.
- We recommend creating a problem_set folder inside your coding lab folder.
- 3. Make folder called data inside the problem_set folder.

Putting your files in place

- 4. Create a new R script. Save your script in the problem_set folder. From now on, when you start a script or Rmd save it there.
- 5. Download the first data set here and put the data in your data folder. Find the link in the lab pdf!

Tell R where to find files

► Local paths are like addresses on your computer. Use getwd() to see how your computer paths look.

```
# In labO we downloaded data form a URL which is an address on the inte
covid_data <-
    read_csv(
        "https://data.cdc.gov/api/views/qfhf-uhaa/rows.csv?"
      )

# Compare to a local path
wid_data <-
    read_xlsx(
        "~/coding-lab/harris-coding-lab.github.io/data/world_wealth_inequal
    )</pre>
```

Add a line to your script where you setwd() to the data folder.

Working with the files

- 7. Finally, we are using data in an excel format. We need the package readxl to process data of this type. In the console, run install.packages("readxl").
- 8. Add code to load the tidyverse.
- 9. If you followed the set-up from above, you should be able to run the following code with no error.

```
wid_data <- read_xlsx("world_wealth_inequality.xlsx")</pre>
```

What to do when something is confusing?

- ▶ use ?
- test code in console. try to break it.
- ► ask teammates / try googling
- ask us!

If it's not "mission critical", you can safely move on without full understanding. (Imagine learning a language and trying to figure out all the grammar and vocabulary at the same time!)

Question:

- What's the deal with col_types = cols(Suppress = col_character())?
- Do we need that "accessType=DOWNLOAD&bom=true&format=true%20target="part?

▶ Note: In URLs after the ? you send meta information about your request.

Question: Can you explain pipes?

▶ Pipes %>% take the left hand side and put them into the first position on the right hand side.

```
storms %>% filter(year > 2010) %>% glimpse()
recent_storms <- filter(storms, year > 2010)
glimpse(recent_storms)
```

Notice

- filter() takes data in the first position and then an arbitrary number of filtering expressions.
- glimpse() takes data in the first position

Lesson 0: Intro to R, RStudio and the tidyverse

- navigate and use Rstudio's features
 - particularly, the console, the text editor and help
- assign objects to names with <-</p>
- use functions by providing inputs and learn more with ?
- install.packages() (once) and then load them with library() (each time you restart R)

Lesson 1: Key points: Reading files

- ► Tabular data is stored in a lot of different formats.
 - e.g. .csv, .xlsx, .dta
- Read tabular data of a given type with the proper function.
 - e.g. for csvs we have read_csv()
 - ► If you get a new type, Google "How to read xxx files into R tidyverse".
- ▶ We need to be aware of the file path and can setwd().
- We know there are useful tools built into the read_xxx() functions.
 - Though we just scratched the surface.

Lesson 1: Manipulating data with dplyr()

- ► Choose columns with select().
- ► Choose rows based on a match criteria with filter().
 - ▶ We were introduced to comparison operators like == and %in%.
- Make new columns with mutate().
- ➤ Sort data with arrange() and arrange(desc()) or arrange(-x).
- Create summary statistics with summarize().

Class 2: Vectors and data types

Course logistics:

- When should we start working on the final project?
 - Start looking for a dataset now.
 - Write code to read it into R and start investigating with dplyr verbs.
 - Ask simple questions that can be addressed with your current tools.

lab 1 solutions will be available on the course website.

Getting started with Rmarkdown (Rmd)

- ► What's an Rmd?
- How to make an Rmd
- ► How to work with an Rmd

Knitting: making the frustrating part less frustrating

► Install tinytex

```
install.packages("tinytex")
tinytex::install_tinytex()
```

Knit early and often.

When to use Rmds vs scripts?

Rmd

- Exploration of data
- Presentations and reports

script

- ▶ Projects with interrelated code (e.g. an R package)
- Working on a server that does not have Rstudio installed

Questions from QA

Question 1: - Why do I need the function summarize in the following bit of code?

```
michigan_population_total <-
midwest %>%
  filter(state == "MI") %>%
  summarize(total_pop = sum(poptotal))
```

Why can't I just pipe directly into sum?

Question 2: Why do we need to use pull()?

R's primary data structures: Vectors vs. tibbles

- ▶ Why do we need different data structures?
- ► How are vectors and tibbles related?

Why do we need different data structures?

In theory, we can do all our work with vectors.

```
names_vec <- c("Ari", "Qiwei", "Jay", "Thomas")
surnames_vec <- c("Anisfeld", "Lin", "Zaleski", "Whamond")
position_vec <- c("Instructor", "TA", "TA", "TA")</pre>
```

why might I want a tibble?

R's primary data structures: Vectors vs. tibbles

Tibbles encapsulate vectors

- ► Keep data tidy -> rows are a single observation or record.
- Keep meta-data (column names)
- Keep track of relationships between vectors
- Can hold various data types

R's primary data structures: Vectors vs. tibbles

- vectors are simpler
- ► have a single data type
- some functions expect vectors or make more sense on them.

Reviewing automatic type coercion

Type coercion is done automatically when R knows how. Usually, simpler types can be coerced to more complex types.

▶ logical < integer < double < character.

```
# pasteO() is a function that combines
# two chr vectors into a single vector
pasteO("str", "ing")
```

```
## [1] "string"

pasteO(1L, "ing")
```

```
## [1] "ling"
```

1L is an int, but R will coerce it into a chr in this context.

Automatic coercion

Logicals are coercible to numeric or character. This is very useful! Determine the rule for how R treats TRUE and FALSE in math.

```
TRUE + 4
FALSE + 4
sum(c(FALSE, FALSE, FALSE, FALSE))
mean(c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, FALSE, TRUE))
```

Automatic coercion

```
TRUE + 4
## [1] 5
FALSE + 4
## [1] 4
sum(c(FALSE, FALSE, FALSE, FALSE))
## [1] 0
mean(c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, FALSE, TRUE))
## [1] 0.6
```

Exercise

1: Use R to calculate the sum

$$\sum_{n=0}^{10} \frac{1}{2^n} = \frac{1}{2^0} + \frac{1}{2^1} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{10}}$$
$$\sum_{n=0}^{10} \frac{1}{2^n} = 1 + 0.5 + \dots + 0.00098$$

- 1. Use vectorized math to create a vector with the correct numbers
- 2. Use a built-in function to add up all the numbers in the vector.

Bonus What happens to the sum as you increase n?

2: Use pasteO() to convert v1 and v2 into "hello!"

[1] "h el lo !"

Key points: Class 2 vectors and data types

vectors and vectorized coding

- Vectors are the fundemental way to store data in R
- ▶ We can operate on vectors element-by-element without loops
 - dplyr verbs rely on this!
- We introduced built-in functions to build vectors and do operations on vectors.

data types

- ► (Atomic) Vectors have a single data type
 - most often: logical, integer, double, or character
- Certain operations expect a certain data type and will try to coerce the data if it can.
 - coercion can lead to unexpected behavior such as making NAs.

Over weekend: Attempt lab 2. **For Tuesday:** Watch video about control flow + try basics.

Class 3: Control flow

Outline

- ▶ lingering questions about Rmds
- ▶ ifelse() questions

Reviewing the anatomy of an Rmd:

Write text in the document

```
# ^^^ start an R chunk '''{r}
# sometimes {} have meta information

# R code goes in a chunk
ex <- seq(1, 12)

# and output prints below
print(ex)</pre>
```

```
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
```

A meta examples: $\{r, echo = FALSE\}$

```
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
```

Another meta examples: $\{r, eval = FALSE\}$

print(ex)

Naming chunks

Chunk names help you debug

code

Two chunks cannot have the same name

If I change the name to "example" we will get an error.

 $\ensuremath{\textit{Q}}\xspace$ Why don't we get LaTex with \$ in this example?

```
$$
  \sqrt{p}
$$
```

Q: Why don't we get LaTex with \$ in this example? A: In a code chunk, knitr expects R code! So a dollar sign is interpreted to be referring to a named entity in an object like data\$column_name.

So put LaTex in the "text" area of an Rmd!



Q: What does this error tell you?

```
setwd("~/Documents/coding")
```

Error in setwd(" \sim /Documents/coding") : cannot change working directory

Q: What does this error tell you? A: Usually, it means your directory name is wrong somehow!

```
setwd("~/Documents/coding_lab/")
```

Note: "∼/" does not work on Windows!

An aside on relative paths

You can refer to directories **relative** to your current directory using . and . .

- means current directory.
- .. means "go back" the directory path.

an example

File structure:

- coding_lab datafile.csv
 - problem_sets my_rmd.Rmd

You could access the data with read_csv("../datafile.csv") in a chunk.

What's the difference between & and &&?

Test your hypothesis with additional examples in the console?

```
c(TRUE, TRUE) & c(TRUE, FALSE)

## [1] TRUE FALSE

c(TRUE, TRUE) && c(TRUE, FALSE)

## [1] TRUE
```

- Which plays nicely with ifelse()?
- Which plays nicely with if()?

What's the difference between | and ||?

Similarly OR has a vectorized | and singleton || version.

- ▶ generally, you can get by with | and &!
- when you are working on code for general use (like writing a package) there will be times when you want to ensure

Exercise

We want to make a new column called famous_storm that is 1 for "Katrina" and "Rita" and 0 otherwise.

This code fails.

```
# bad code :(
storms %>%
  mutate(famous_storm =
         ifelse(name == "Katrina" | "Rita", 1, 0))
storms %>%
```

Example: Creating a simulation dataset

You want to understand the impact of discrimination on gifted education.

- ▶ Students in group 1 get tested with probability 60 percent
- ▶ Students in group 2 get tested with probability 10 percent
- Students get gifted education if iq > 1 and they're tested

Key points: control flow with if and contingent column creation with ifelse

- Use ifelse() with mutate() to create new columns contingently.
 - ifelse() is vectorized so can operate on a logical vector to produce new results
- Understand how logical operators (i.e. !, |, &) work together with ifelse and conditional operators.
- Use if() (and else) to control whether an action is completed outside of a data context.

We also introduced Rmds and saw how to knit the Rmd to html or pdf.

Up next: prepare lab 3 for tomorrow. **Friday** watch video for class 4 on using group_by to do grouped analysis.

Key points:if() versus ifelse()

| | <pre>if()/ else()</pre> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Used to conditionally evaluate code | yes |
| Vectorized? | no, only uses first element |
| Handles NA | no, error missing value where T |
| baseR | yes |
| | |

► Takeaway: When we are focusing on data analysis use ifelse() (or if else()).

¹there's a tidyverse if_else() that works slightly differently

Class 2 basics

▶ *Q* Why did I get double when your code shows the type is an int?

```
typeof(seq(1, 12, 1))
## [1] "double"
```

Class 2 basics

- Q Why did I get double when your code shows the type is an int?
- A In base R, data types are not always predictable.

```
typeof(seq(1, 12))

## [1] "integer"

typeof(seq(1, 12, 1))

## [1] "double"
```

Tidyverse functions tend to be more careful to avoid this sort of behavior.

Horoscope game:

Make a game where you ask the user to enter their birth month and you tell them their fortune.

- Give people born in December, January or February a "cold" fortune
- ► Give people born in June through September a "warm" fortune
- Give people born in November a great fortune
- Give everyone else an okay fortune

e.g. birth_month <- 2 the code should return something like I
see penguins in your forecast.</pre>

Class 4: Grouped analysis

Today's class

- ▶ Review if statements and conditional expressions
- ► Review some base R
- ► Take questions about grouped analysis

For the curious: "[\\r]?\\n" is a "regular expression" which tells separate() to look for "\n" or "\r\n" and separate the data wherever it finds those strings within other strings.

▶ NA | TRUE returns TRUE. Why does FALSE | NA return NA?

Hint: Fill out this table:

| x | у | x OR y |
|-------|-------|--------|
| FALSE | FALSE | |
| FALSE | TRUE | |
| TRUE | FALSE | |
| TRUE | TRUE | |
| | | |

▶ NA | TRUE returns TRUE. Why does FALSE | NA return NA?

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| FALSE | TRUE | TRUE |
| TRUE | FALSE | TRUE |
| TRUE | TRUE | TRUE |
| | | |

▶ NA | TRUE returns TRUE. Why does FALSE | NA return NA?

OR returns TRUE if **any** value is TRUE. Thus, when we have NA | TRUE, then we logically know that the result is TRUE!

FALSE | NA depends on the missing value, so R cannot evaluate the expression.

► TRUE & NA returns NA. Why does FALSE & NA return FALSE?

| x | у | x AND y |
|-------|-------|---------|
| FALSE | FALSE | |
| FALSE | TRUE | |
| TRUE | FALSE | |
| TRUE | TRUE | |
| | | |

▶ TRUE & NA returns NA. Why does FALSE & NA return FALSE?

| x | у | x AND y |
|-------|-------|---------|
| FALSE | FALSE | FALSE |
| FALSE | TRUE | FALSE |
| TRUE | FALSE | FALSE |
| TRUE | TRUE | TRUE |
| | | |

AND requires all TRUE so R knows FALSE & NA is FALSE!

Q: What's the difference between ifelse() and if_else()

A: tidyverse::if_else() mimics base::ifelse() with two major differences

```
Qh: What's the difference between ifelse() and
if_else()
```

 tidyverse::if_else() has a built-in way to replace missing data.

```
ex <- c(1, NA, 0, NA, 1)
if_else(ex == 1, "Yes", "No", missing = "Eh")

## [1] "Yes" "Eh" "No" "Eh" "Yes"
```

```
Qh: What's the difference between ifelse() and
if_else()
```

The same behavior requires nesting with base::ifelse()

```
ifelse(is.na(ex),
    "Eh",
    ifelse(ex == 1, "Yes", "No"))
```

```
## [1] "Yes" "Eh" "No" "Eh" "Yes"
```

```
Qh: What's the difference between ifelse() and
if_else()
```

2. tidyverse::if_else() checks for type matching

```
if_else(ex == 1, 1, "No")
```

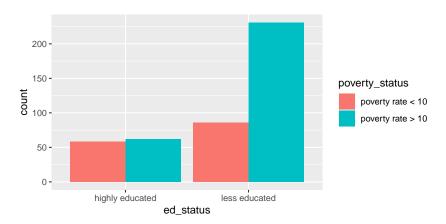
Error: false must be a double vector, not a character vector.

Practice

- Use mutate() and ifelse() with midwest data to create binary variables
- ed_status = a city is "highly educated" if over 20 percent of residents have college education (percollege)
- poverty_status = distinguish between cities with poverty rates above and below 10 percent.
- 2. Assign your intermediate data set to a name.
- 3. Calculate the proportion "highly educated" and proportion "poverty rate < 10" for counties in Ohio.
- 4. Calculate the proportion "highly educated" and proportion "poverty rate < 10" for counties in Illinois.

Expected output

```
midwest_binarized %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = ed_status, fill = poverty_status)) +
    geom_bar(position = "dodge")
```



Practice

► Calculate the proportion "highly educated" and proportion "poverty rate < 10" for counties in Ohio.

► Calculate the proportion "highly educated" and proportion "poverty rate < 10" for counties in IL.

Solutions

```
midwest binarized <-
midwest %>%
  mutate(poverty_status = ifelse(percbelowpoverty < 10, "pe
         ed status = ifelse(percollege > 20, "highly educa"
midwest binarized %>%
  filter(state == "IL") %>%
  summarize(state = first(state),
            prop highly educated = sum(ed status == "highly
            prop low poverty = sum(percbelowpoverty < 10),</pre>
```

Is there a better way? What if I want the information for all the states?

Solutions

Use group_by() and summarize!

A tibble: 5 x 3

```
state prop_highly_educated prop_low_poverty
##
##
     <chr>>
                            <int>
                                               <int>
## 1 IL
                               28
                                                  27
                               18
                                                  46
## 2 TN
                               27
                                                  16
## 3 MT
                               18
                                                  29
## 4 OH
## 5 WT
                               29
                                                  26
```

```
Quick hitter: When do we need ungroup()?
   Recall, group_by() adds information about groups "silently"
   without changing the data
```

```
midwest_grouped <-</pre>
midwest_binarized %>%
  group_by(state, ed_status, poverty_status) %>%
  select(poptotal)
```

```
## Adding missing grouping variables: 'state', 'ed_status'
```

```
## Rows: 437
```

```
## Groups: state, ed status, poverty status [20]
## $ state
            <chr> "IL", "IL", "IL", "IL", "IL", "II
```

\$ poverty_status <chr> "poverty rate > 10", "poverty rate

<int> 66090, 10626, 14991, 30806, 5836

Columns: 4

midwest_grouped %>% glimpse()

\$ poptotal

Quick hitter: When do we need ungroup()?

If we want to do analysis where groups get in the way, we need ${\tt ungroup}$ ().

```
midwest_grouped %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  glimpse()
```

Quick hitter: When do we need ungroup()?

If we want to do analysis where groups get in the way, we need ungroup().

```
midwest_grouped %>%
  summarize(biggest county = max(poptotal))
```

```
## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'state', 'ed_status
```

A tibble: 20 x 4

```
## # Groups: state, ed_status [10]
```

state ed status poverty_status biggest_count

```
## <chr> <chr>
                  <chr>
                                       <in
```

1 IL highly educated poverty rate < 10 78166

```
## 2 IL highly educated poverty rate > 10
                                                 510506
                                                  480
##
```

less educated poverty rate < 10</pre> 3 IL ## 4 IL less educated poverty rate > 10 24923

highly educated poverty rate < 10

highly educated poverty rate > 10

less educated poverty rate < 10

30083

7971

15619

5 IN

6 IN

7 IN

##

##

##

Quick hitter: When do we need ungroup()?

If we want to do analysis where groups get in the way, we need ungroup().

```
midwest_grouped %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  summarize(biggest_county = max(poptotal))
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
## biggest_county
## <int>
## 1 5105067
```

Sure, but why would I group that data in the first place?

Perhaps you did a group_by() + summarize() with multiple groups.

► The default is to strip the "last" grouping variable

```
midwest_grouped %>%
   summarize(avg_pop = mean(poptotal)) %>%
   glimpse()
```

```
## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'state', 'ed_status
```

```
## Rows: 20
## Columns: 4
```

How many ways can you pull out the even numbers from vec?

vec <- 1:10

```
BaseR: what's the deal with subsetting?
```

How many ways can you pull out the even numbers from vec?

```
vec <- 1:10
vec[c(2, 4, 6, 8, 10)]
## [1] 2 4 6 8 10
vec[rep(c(FALSE, TRUE), 5)]
## [1] 2 4 6 8 10
vec[seq(2, 10, 2)]
## [1] 2 4 6 8 10
vec[vec %% 2 == 0]
```

[1] 2 4 6 8 10

Notice filter() works like the final option!

Now what if vec is a column in a tibble?

```
data <- tibble(vec_col = 1:10, random_col = "A")</pre>
```

Now what if vec is a column in a tibble?

```
data <- tibble(vec_col = 1:10, random_col = "A")</pre>
# equivalent to pull() (with filter)
data$vec_col[data$vec_col \( \frac{\chi}{\chi} \) 2 == 0] # nicest way
data[["vec col"]][c(2, 4, 6, 8, 10)]
data[rep(c(FALSE, TRUE), 5), ][["vec col"]]
#equivalent to select() (with filter)
data[rep(c(FALSE, TRUE), 5), "vec col"]
data[seq(2, 10, 2), "vec col"]
data %>%
  filter(vec col %% 2 == 0) %>%
  select(vec col)
```

Using [with vectors is natural.

- you can extract based on
 - indices
 - a vector of booleans (of equal length)
 - and names (if there are names)

When working with data, use tidyverse verbs to extract data.

- easier to remember words
- ▶ help avoid syntax errors and confusion between [[[and \$

When googling for help add "in R tidyverse" to your query. If you start doing numerical computing, look for a review of [and [[.

Wait did you say names for a vector?

Yep, we can have a named vector.

```
x <- c("a" = 1, "b"= 2)
x["a"]
```

a ## 1

Named vectors are not, Lists

[1] 2

Notice this is distinct from a list.

► The key difference is that lists can accept different data types as entries.

```
c("a" = c(1, 2), "b" = 2)
## a1 a2 b
## 1 2 2
list("a" = c(1, 2), "b" = 2)
## $a
## [1] 1 2
##
## $b
```

Tibbles are built on lists

but tibbles enforce all entries to be the same length vectors.

```
my_tib \leftarrow tibble(a = c(1, 2),
       b = "A"
my_list \leftarrow list(a = c(1, 2),
       b = c("A", "A"))
# e.g.
my_tib[["b"]]
## [1] "A" "A"
my_list[["b"]]
## [1] "A" "A"
```

Key points: Grouped analysis with group_by()

- groups are a set of rows that belong together.
 - group_by() adds information about groups "silently" without changing the data
- Use group_by() with summarize() to create summary tables at group-level.
 - Use with functions that reduce data from a vector to a single value per group.
 - Expected output: a table with one row per group and one column per summary statistic (and one column per grouping column.)

Key points: Grouped analysis with group_by()

- we can also use group_by() to do grouped analysis with mutate()
 - you can use a "window function" like lag()
 - or add summary statistics to your main data set for futher analysis
- group_by() also can impact arrange() and filter()

Up next: Grouping() watch video for class 5 on using loops.

Discussion

How do we make the data for this graph?

▶ What "groups" are required for the visualization?

Exercise

A student came during office hours and asked why mean(percentile=="p90p100") doesn't calculate the average wealth shares (value) for the top 10 percentile group.

Class 5: Loops

Feedback

Thank you for filling out the feedback form (we have 30 so far!)

- "Would be great if you could post solutions to the labs at the end of each week." These are on the course website
- "Please share qa code". These are (newly) on the course website

Today's class

- case_when() question
- ► Review a few grouped analysis concepts
- Practice using loops

Quicker hitter

[1] "1"

##

Q Why do you end case_when() with TRUE ~ ...?

"2"

```
x <- 1:35
case_when(
   x %% 35 == 0 ~ "fizz buzz",
   x %% 5 == 0 ~ "fizz",
   x %% 7 == 0 ~ "buzz",
   TRUE ~ as.character(x)
)</pre>
```

```
"1:
                       "8"
                                    "9"
##
    [7] "buzz"
                                                  "fizz"
##
   [13] "13"
                       "buzz"
                                    "fizz"
                                                  "16"
                                                                "1"
   [19] "19"
##
                       "fizz"
                                    "buzz"
                                                  "22"
                                                                "23
                                                                "29
## [25] "fizz"
                       "26"
                                    "27"
                                                  "buzz"
##
   [31] "31"
                       "32"
                                    "33"
                                                  "34"
                                                                "f:
```

"3"

"4"

"f:

Quicker hitter

A If no cases match, NA is returned.

```
x <- 1:35
case_when(
   x %% 35 == 0 ~ "fizz buzz",
   x %% 5 == 0 ~ "fizz",
   x %% 7 == 0 ~ "buzz"
)</pre>
```

```
##
    [1] NA
                     NA
                                   NΑ
                                                NA
    [7] "buzz"
                                   NA
                                                "fizz"
                                                             NA
##
                     NA
## [13] NA
                     "buzz"
                                   "fizz"
                                                NΑ
                                                             NA
## [19] NA
                     "fizz"
                                   "buzz"
                                                NΑ
                                                             NA
## [25] "fizz"
                     NA
                                   NA
                                                "buzz"
                                                             NA
## [31] NA
                                                NA
                                                             "f
                     NA
                                   NΑ
```

Q: What does group_by() do?

The following command runs without error, but I'm not seeing any change in grouped_data compared to traffic_data.

▶ Both still have 4478 jobs of 9 variables.

Am I missing something?

```
grouped_data <-
traffic_data %>%
    group_by(Race, Gender)
```

Two questions on grouped mutates.

Recall:

- group_by() + summarize() collapses the data to a row with summary values per group.
- proup_by() + mutate() maintains the data set, but adds columns that may depend on group membership
 - e.g. lag(), row_number()

How does lag() work?

Find the "previous" (lag()) or "next" (lead()) values in a vector.

```
lag(c(1, 2, 3))
```

```
## [1] NA 1 2
```

How does lag() work?

Useful for comparing values behind of or ahead of the current values.

```
x <- 1:5
tibble(behind = lag(x), x, ahead = lead(x))</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
##
    behind x ahead
## <int> <int> <int>
## 1
       NA
## 2
                  3
             3
                  4
## 3
    3 4
                 5
## 4
             5
## 5
    4
                  NA
```

How does lag() work with grouped data?

Why is this wrong?

```
x <- c(2, 3, 30, 20)
group <- c("A", "A", "B", "B")
time <- c(1, 2, 2, 1)
tibble(group, time, x) %>%
  mutate(previous = lag(x))
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 x 4
## group time x previous
## <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> NA
## 2 A 2 3 2
## 3 B 2 30 3
## 4 B 1 20 30
```

How does lag() work with grouped data?

You need to have the data in the correct

- order
- group

```
tibble(time, group, x) %>%
group_by(group) %>%
arrange(time) %>%
mutate(previous = lag(x))
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 x 4
## # Groups: group [2]
     time group x previous
##
## <dbl> <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                          NΑ
## 1
        1 A
## 2 1 B
                20
                          NΑ
## 3 2 A
    2 B
## 4
                  30
                          20
```

Practice

Use txhousing, a tidyverse dataset.

- Calculate the monthly change in number of sales for each city.
 - hint: use lag() in a grouped mutate!
- Calculate the annual change in total sales for each city.

```
Explain the rank() function(s). How is it different than order()
and sort()?
x \leftarrow c(10, 0, 1, 2, 3, NA)
rank(x)
## [1] 5 1 2 3 4 6
order(x)
## [1] 2 3 4 5 1 6
sort(x)
## [1] 0 1 2 3 10
row_number(x)
       5 1 2 3 4 NA
```

A. Sort puts the data in order. Х ## [1] 10 0 1 2 3 NA (the_order <- order(x))</pre> ## [1] 2 3 4 5 1 6 x[the order] ## [1] 0 1 2 3 10 NA sort(x, na.last = TRUE) ## [1] 0 1 2 3 10 NA

A. Rank ranks the data in place.

```
Х
## [1] 10 0 1 2 3 NA
(the_rank <- rank(x))</pre>
## [1] 5 1 2 3 4 6
the_order
## [1] 2 3 4 5 1 6
```

tidyverse provides 6 ranking functions

```
# the help shows all 6!
?row_number()
```

Explain how the ranking functions interact with a group_by() + mutate().

For loops and iteration

- ▶ Iteration is useful when we are repeatedly calling the same block of code or function while changing one (or two) inputs.
- but if you can, use vectorized operations!

For loops

Compare and contrast the two code blocks

```
# block a
x <- -10:10
y <- integer(length = length(x))

for (i in seq_along(x)) {
  y[[i]] <- x[[i]]^2 + x[[i]] + 1
}</pre>
```

and

```
# block b
x <- -10:10
y <- c()

for (item in x) {
    y <- c(y, item^2 + item + 1)
}</pre>
```

loops

| | block a | block b |
|---------------------|---------|---------|
| iterates over | indexes | items |
| preallocates space? | yes | no |
| vectorized? | no | no |

Vectorized? No.

Can you vectorize the code?

```
# block b
x <- -10:10
y <- c()

for (item in x) {
   y <- c(y, item^2 + item + 1)
}</pre>
```

Vectorized? yes.

```
x <- -10:10
y <- x<sup>2</sup> + x + 1
```

Is preallocation a big deal?

I encapsulated our code into functions for testing.

```
preallocate_loop <- function(x){
  y <- integer(length = length(x))
  for (i in seq_along(x)) {
    y[[i]] <- x[[i]]^2 + x[[i]] + 1
  }
  y
}</pre>
```

```
build_loop <- function(x){
    y <- c()
    for (item in x) {
       y <- c(y, item^2 + item + 1)
    }
    y
}</pre>
```

For tiny data sets, it's not a huge deal.

```
x < -10:10
bench::mark(preallocate loop(x), build loop(x)) %>%
  select(expression, min, median, mem alloc)
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
                                   median mem_alloc
##
    expression
                             min
##
    <bch:expr>
                        <bch:tm> <bch:tm> <bch:byt>
## 1 preallocate_loop(x)
                          5.33us 7.71us
                                            41.6KB
## 2 build loop(x)
                          7.54us 21.98us
                                            29.5KB
```

For big data sets, it increasingly becomes a big deal.

```
# warning this test takes a while!
x < -1e4:1e4
bench::mark(preallocate_loop(x), build_loop(x)) %>%
  select(expression, min, median, mem_alloc)
## Warning: Some expressions had a GC in every iteration;
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
## expression
                                   median mem alloc
## <bch:expr>
                       <bch:tm> <bch:tm> <bch:byt>
## 1 preallocate_loop(x)
                          2.76ms
                                   3.2ms 234.48KB
## 2 build loop(x)
                          2.52s 2.52s
                                            1.49GB
```

vectorized option

```
vectorized_code <- function(x) {
  x^2 + x + 1
}</pre>
```

vectorized option performs favorably

```
x < -1e6:1e6
bench::mark(preallocate loop(x),
           vectorized code(x)) %>%
  select(expression, min, median, mem alloc)
## Warning: Some expressions had a GC in every iteration;
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
                                  median mem_alloc
## expression
##
    <bch:expr>
                        <bch:tm> <bch:tm> <bch:byt>
                         669.9ms 669.9ms
## 1 preallocate_loop(x)
                                            22.9MB
## 2 vectorized code(x) 20.1ms 56.2ms
                                            22.9MB
```

mea culpa: the case for [[

Last class, I encouraged you to not use [[for subsetting \slash indexing.

But we need these when indexing into lists!

lists

lists are a **data structure** that can store different data types in the same object.

```
list(c(12, 1), 4, "f")
## [[1]]
## [1] 12 1
##
## [[2]]
## [1] 4
##
## [[3]]
## [1] "f"
```

lists

▶ tibbles/data.frames are built on lists

```
(x <- list('int' = c(12L, 1L),
   'dbl' = c(4.02, pi),
   'char' = c("f", "f")))</pre>
```

```
## $int
## [1] 12 1
##
## $dbl
## [1] 4.020000 3.141593
##
## $char
## [1] "f" "f"
```

Why [[

```
[[ pulls out the whatever is in the ith position of the list while [ pulls out a subset of the list.
```

```
x[1]
## $int
## [1] 12 1
x[[1]]
## [1] 12 1
```

Why [[

When setting the ith stuff in a list we use [[so we can place any given object into the list.

```
# create an empty list
output <- vector("list", 2)
(output[1] <- c(1, 2))

## Warning in output[1] <- c(1, 2): number of items to repl
## replacement length

## [1] 1 2</pre>
```

```
## [1] 1 2
```

 $(output[[1]] \leftarrow c(1, 2))$

Key points: for-loops

- If you can't vectorize, for loops work for iteration
 - Clearly define what you will iterate over (values or indicies)
 - Preallocate space for your output (if you can)
 - ► The body of the for-loop has parametrized code based on thing your iterating over
 - Debug as you code by testing your understanding of what the for-loop should be doing (e.g. using print())

Learn more in chapter 21 of r for data science: https://r4ds.had.co.nz/iteration.html

Class 6: Functions

Today's class

- loop questions
- functions writing concepts
- primer for lab 6

Reminder: Please turn in your final projects on gradescope.

- Suggested deadline Sept 17 (tomorrow)
- Final deadline Sept 24.

Q Can I pipe a for-loop into ggplot()?

```
# psuedo-code
for (i in seq_along(x)) {
  results[[i]] <- some_function(x[[i]])
} %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = x, y = y)) + ...
```

Reframe Q What is the output of a for-loop? Can it be a tibble?

► Each iteration there's an "intermediate output" which is the final line of code in the loop. (like a function).

```
x <- c(0, 1, 2)
result <- integer(length(x))

output <- for (i in seq_along(x)) {
    result[[i]] <- x[[i]]^2
    "last line inside loop"
} %>% print()
```

```
## [1] "last line inside loop"
## [1] "last line inside loop"
## [1] "last line inside loop"
```

The "final output" is NULL

```
print(output)
```

Q Can I pipe a for-loop into ggplot()?

If the last line inside the loop is a tibble, then yes (kind of).

- R doesn't display the output
- ▶ But we can assign it to a name

```
my_plot <- vector("list", 3)</pre>
for ( i in 1:3) {
  # do stuff
  # ...
  # end with
  txhousing
ጉ %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = sales, y = volume)) +
  geom_point() -> my_plot[[i]]
my_plot[[3]]
```

Don't do it! More natural to call ggplot w/i the loop or after collecting a dataset.

Q How to preallocate space for a tibble?

Named vectors behave like "rows" with a single data type

```
row_1 <- c(a = 1, b = "dog")
row_2 <- c(a = 2, b = "cat")

bind_rows(row_1, row_2)

## # A tibble: 2 x 2
## a b</pre>
```

1 1 dog ## 2 2 cat

Named lists behave like "rows" with a various data type

```
row_1 <- list(a = 1, b = "dog")
row_2 <- list(a = 2, b = "cat")
bind_rows(row_1, row_2)
## # A tibble: 2 x 2
## a b</pre>
```

We could also create one row tibbles

```
tibble_1 <- tibble(a = 1, b = "dog")
tibble_2 <- tibble(a = 2, b = "cat")
bind_rows(tibble_1, tibble_2)</pre>
```

```
## a b
## <dbl> <chr>
## 1 1 dog
## 2 2 cat
```

A tibble: 2 x 2

"rows" can be bound together with bind_rows()

```
row_3 <- list(a = 3, b = "dog")
data <- bind_rows(row_1, row_2)
(data <- bind_rows(data, row_3))
## # A tibble: 3 x 2
## a b</pre>
```

"rows" can be bound together with bind_rows()

3

3 dog

```
our_rows <- list(row_1, row_2, row_3)
(data <- bind_rows(our_rows))

## # A tibble: 3 x 2
## a b</pre>
```

Q How to preallocate space for a tibble?

The previous slide suggest we preallocate a list with one slot for each row.

```
sample_sizes <- seq(2, 10, 2) # c(2, 4, 6, 8, 10)
estimates <- vector("list", length(sample_sizes))</pre>
```

Q How to preallocate space for a tibble?

Then in the body of the loop we assign a "row" to the ith entry of estimates

```
for (i in seq_along(sample_sizes)) {
  n <- sample_sizes[[i]]
  sample_mean <- mean(rnorm(n, mean = 0, sd = 5))
  estimates[[i]] <- c(n = n, sample_mean = sample_mean)
}

# estimates is a list of vectors until bind_rows(.)!
estimates <- bind_rows(estimates)</pre>
```

notice this is the only time in coding lab we advocate using lists.

use vectorized code / use tidyverse code

Compute the mean of every column in midwest

another loop example

A tibble: 1 x 28

#

Compute the mean of every column in midwest.

use across() (we won't cover this in detail)

```
midwest %>%
  summarize(across(.fns = mean))
```

```
## PID county state area poptotal popdensity popwhite
## <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 
## 1 1437. NA NA 0.0332 96130. 3098. 81840
## # ... with 19 more variables: popasian <dbl>, popother e
## # percblack <dbl>, percamerindan <dbl>, percasian <dbl
## # popadults <dbl>, perchsd <dbl>, percollege <dbl>, per
## # percchildbelowpovert <dbl>, percadultpoverty <dbl>, percadultpoverty <dbl>,
```

percelderlypoverty <dbl>, inmetro <dbl>, category <

Compute the mean of every column in ${\tt midwest}$

- ▶ What should we loop over?
- ► How do we calculate what we're looking for?

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Compute the mean of every column in midwest

```
mean(midwest[["area"]])
## [1] 0.03316934
# or
midwest %>%
  pull(area) %>%
  mean()
## [1] 0.03316934
# or
midwest %>%
  summarise(area = mean(area))
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
       area
```

##

2 county

```
# preallocate output
col names <- names(midwest)</pre>
midwest_means <- vector("double", ncol(midwest))</pre>
# determine what to loop over
for (i in seq along(col names)) {
     body
  col name <- col names[[i]]
  midwest_means[[i]] <- mean(midwest[[col name]])</pre>
}
tibble(names = col names, means = midwest means)
## # A tibble: 28 x 2
##
      names
                          means
## <chr>
                          <dbl>
## 1 PID
                      1437.
```

NA

function writing concept

► A function maps an input to an output.

"A user logs into our website. You respond with a greeting."

fwc: input-output

```
Write the function!
input: name output: greeting
Recall

#psuedo code for a function
function_name <- function(inputs) {
    body
}</pre>
```

fwc: input-output

[1] "Hello Qiwei!"

```
greet_user <- function(name) {
  paste0("Hello ", name, "!")
}
greet_user("Qiwei")</pre>
```

fwc: when to write a function?

- If you repeat very similar code more than twice
- ▶ You can easily parameterize the similar code

```
txhousing %>%
  filter(city == "Austin") %>%
  mutate(date = year + month / 12) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = date, y = sales)) +
  geom_line() +
  labs(title = "Austin's sales volume")
```

fwc: don't repeat yourself

```
sales_trends <- function(city_name) {
  txhousing %>%
    filter(city == city_name) %>%
    mutate(date = year + month / 12) %>%
    ggplot(aes(x = date, y = sales)) +
    geom_line() +
    labs(title = str_c(city_name, "'s sales volume"))
}
```

fwc: don't repeat yourself

```
sales_trends("Austin")
sales_trends("Houston")
```

fwc: don't repeat yourself (Advanced)

Extra slick: can we parameterize the \boldsymbol{y} variable.

fwc: test your code as you write it

```
trends <- function(city_name, var){</pre>
txhousing %>%
  filter(city == city name) %>%
  mutate(date = year + month / 12) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = date, y = var)) +
  geom line() +
  labs(title = str_c(city_name, "'s ", var))
trends("Austin", sales, "sales volume")
```

fwc: don't repeat yourself (Advanced)

Extra slick: can we parameterize the y variable.

```
trends <- function(city name, var, var description){
txhousing %>%
  filter(city == city_name) %>%
  mutate(date = year + month / 12) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = date, y = \{\{ var \}\})) +
  geom_line() +
  labs(title = str_c(city_name,
                      "'s ",
                     var_description))
trends("Austin", sales, "sales volume")
```

{{ }}?

{{ }} "forwards" the name var from your global environment (where it's undefined) to the tibble's environment (where it's a column name).

▶ The ideas here are somewhat advanced for coding camp

fwc: break big ideas into small ideas

- **problem** encapsulating 100s of lines of data analysis in a single function is a recipe for disaster.
- ➤ **solution** break the 100s of lines of analysis into coherent chunks (think high level about input-output!)

This is the heart of lab 6.

Background for the lab

Concepts: r/q/p/d functions

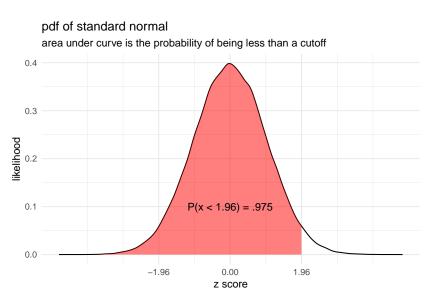
R has built-in functions for working with distributions.

| | example | what it does? |
|---|---------------------|--|
| r | rnorm(n) | generates a random sample of size n |
| p | pnorm(q) | returns CDF value at q |
| q | qnorm(p) | returns inverse CDF (the quantile) for a given probability |
| d | <pre>dnorm(x)</pre> | returns pdf value at x |

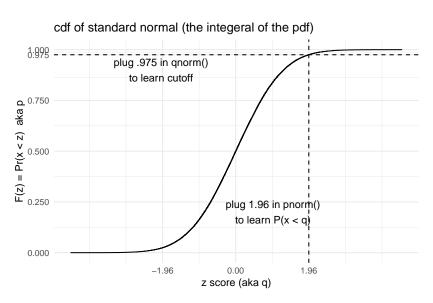
We should already be familiar with r functions like rnorm() and runif().

These concepts will be taught in stats. We don't expect you to learn them here. We can help you reason through the material enough to do the coding.

What are p and q?



What are p and q?



What are p and q?

[1] O

 ${\tt pnorm}$ returns the probability we observe a value less than or equal to some value q.

```
pnorm(1.96)
## [1] 0.9750021
pnorm(0)
## [1] 0.5
qnorm returns the inverse of pnorm. Plug in the probability and get the cutoff.
qnorm(.975)
## [1] 1.959964
qnorm(.5)
```

Monte Carlo experiments

Monte Carlo is a world gambling hub.

- Gamblers know that roulette wheels are not made perfectly.
- If you watch the wheel long enough and take notes you can figure out the empirical probability

Monte Carlo experiments

Statisticians use the same idea.

Esp. if we're not sure how to calculate something exactly, but have a model

- complicated interacting systems
- integrals or other objects without a closed form solution (or a difficult to compute closed form)

How to do a Monte Carlo Simulation

- 1. Generate random samples of data using a known process (e.g. rnorm()).
- 2. Make calculations based on the random sample.
- 3. Aggregate the results.

You will do this in the functions lab!

Thank you

It has been a blast.