

# Practical R: Data Munging

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# Data munging



# What is the tidyverse?

The tidyverse is an opinionated collection of R packages designed for data science. All packages share an underlying design philosophy, grammar, and data structures. -- Dr. Hadley Wickham

- A human-friendly syntax and semantics to make code more understandable
  - The functions in the tidyverse often wraps harder-to-understand functions into simpler, more understandable forms
  - We're taking an opinionated choice here
    - Covers maybe 85% of the cases you'll ever face
    - Takes a particular viewpoint about how data *should* be organized
  - But this makes things easier and simpler
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The [tidyverse.org](https://tidyverse.org) site and the [R4DS book](#) are the definitive sources for tidyverse information.  
The packages are united in a common philosophy of how data analysis should be done.

# Tidying data

# Tidy data

Tidy datasets are all alike,  
but every messy data is messy in its own way

# Tidy data

Tidy data is a **computer-friendly** format based on the following characteristics:

- Each row is one observation
- Each column is one variable
- Each set of observational unit forms a table

All other forms of data can be considered **messy data**.

# Let us count the ways

There are many ways data can be messy. An incomplete list....

- Column headers are values, not variables
- Multiple variables are stored in a single column
- Variables are stored in both rows and columns
- Multiple types of observational units are saved in the same table
- A single observational unit is stored in multiple tables

# Ways to have messy (i.e. not tidy) data

1. Column headers contain values

Country	< \$10K	\$10-20K	\$20-50K	\$50-100K	> \$100K
India	40	25	25	9	1
USA	20	20	20	30	10

# Ways to have messy (i.e. not tidy) data

Column headers contain values

Country	Income	Percentage
India	< \$10K	40
USA	< \$10K	20

This is a case of reshaping or melting

# Ways to have messy (i.e. not tidy) data

Multiple variables in one column

Country	Year	M_0-14	F_0-14	M_15-60	F_15-60	M_60+	F_60+
UK	2010						
UK	2011						

Separating columns into different variables

Country	Year	Gender	Age	Count

# Tidying data

The typical steps are

- Transforming data from wide to tall (`pivot_longer`) and from tall to wide (`pivot_wider`)
  - Separating columns into different columns (`separate`)
  - Putting columns together into new variables (`unite`)
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The functions `pivot_longer` and `pivot_wider` supercede the older functions `gather` and `spread`, which I have used in previous iterations of this class. However, if you are familiar with `gather` and `spread`, they aren't gone and can still be used in the current `tidyverse` package.

# Tidy data

A first step in the tidyverse is to activate the `tidyverse` meta-package

```
library(tidyverse)
```

- **ggplot2**: Create Elegant Data Visualisations Using the Grammar of Graphics
- **purrr**: Functional Programming Tools
- **readr**: Read Rectangular Text Data
- **tidyr**: Tidy Messy Data
- **dplyr**: A Grammar of Data Manipulation
- **forcats**: Tools for Working with Categorical Variables (Factors)
- **lubridate**: Make Dealing with Dates a Little Easier
- **stringr**: Simple, Consistent Wrappers for Common String Operations

# Tidy data

The common feature of all these packages is that their functions take a data frame (which the tidyverse calls a [tibble](#)) as their first argument.

So the starting point for any analysis is the data set.

# Tidy data

```
table1
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 4
  country      year   cases population
  <chr>       <int>   <int>     <int>
1 Afghanistan  1999     745 19987071
2 Afghanistan  2000    2666 20595360
3 Brazil        1999  37737 172006362
4 Brazil        2000  80488 174504898
5 China         1999 212258 1272915272
6 China         2000 213766 1280428583
```

Is this tidy?

# Tidy data

```
table2
```

```
# A tibble: 12 × 4
  country      year type       count
  <chr>        <int> <chr>     <int>
1 Afghanistan  1999 cases      745
2 Afghanistan  1999 population 19987071
3 Afghanistan  2000 cases     2666
4 Afghanistan  2000 population 20595360
5 Brazil       1999 cases     37737
6 Brazil       1999 population 172006362
7 Brazil       2000 cases     80488
8 Brazil       2000 population 174504898
9 China        1999 cases     212258
10 China       1999 population 1272915272
11 China       2000 cases     213766
12 China       2000 population 1280428583
```

Is this tidy?

# Tidy data

```
table3
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 3
  country      year    rate
  <chr>       <int>  <chr>
1 Afghanistan 1999 745/19987071
2 Afghanistan 2000 2666/20595360
3 Brazil      1999 37737/172006362
4 Brazil      2000 80488/174504898
5 China       1999 212258/1272915272
6 China       2000 213766/1280428583
```

Is this tidy?

# Tidy data

```
table4a # cases
```

```
# A tibble: 3 × 3
  country    `1999` `2000`
  <chr>      <int>   <int>
1 Afghanistan    745    2666
2 Brazil        37737   80488
3 China         212258  213766
```

```
table4b # population
```

```
# A tibble: 3 × 3
  country    `1999`    `2000`
  <chr>      <int>     <int>
1 Afghanistan 19987071 20595360
2 Brazil       172006362 174504898
3 China        1272915272 1280428583
```

Are these tidy?

# Can we make datasets tidy?

Sometimes. The functions in the `tidyverse` package can help

- `separate` is a function that can split a column into multiple columns
  - When there are multiple variables together in a column

```
table3
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 3
  country     year   rate
  <chr>      <int> <chr>
1 Afghanistan 1999  745/19987071
2 Afghanistan 2000  2666/20595360
3 Brazil       1999  37737/172006362
4 Brazil       2000  80488/174504898
5 China        1999  212258/1272915272
6 China        2000  213766/1280428583
```

We need to separate `rate` into two variables, cases and population

# Can we make datasets tidy?

```
separate(table3, col = rate, into = c("cases", "population"),
         sep = "/",
         convert = TRUE) # convert type if possible
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 4
  country      year  cases population
  <chr>        <int> <int>     <int>
1 Afghanistan  1999    745  19987071
2 Afghanistan  2000   2666  20595360
3 Brazil       1999  37737  172006362
4 Brazil       2000  80488  174504898
5 China        1999 212258 1272915272
6 China        2000 213766 1280428583
```

I've been explicit about naming all the options. R functions can work by position as well, so `separate(table3, rate, c('cases', 'population'), '/')` would work, but it's not very clear, is it?

# Can we make datasets tidy?

```
table2
```

```
# A tibble: 12 × 4
  country      year type       count
  <chr>        <int> <chr>     <int>
1 Afghanistan  1999 cases      745
2 Afghanistan  1999 population 19987071
3 Afghanistan  2000 cases      2666
4 Afghanistan  2000 population 20595360
5 Brazil       1999 cases      37737
6 Brazil       1999 population 172006362
7 Brazil       2000 cases      80488
8 Brazil       2000 population 174504898
9 China        1999 cases      212258
10 China       1999 population 1272915272
11 China       2000 cases      213766
12 China       2000 population 1280428583
```

Here there are observations on two variables in successive rows

# Can we make datasets tidy?

We need to `spread` these rows out into different columns. This function is now called `pivot_wider`.

wide

	x	y	z
id			
1	a	c	e
2	b	d	f

```
pivot_wider(table2, names_from =
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 4
  country     year   cases  popula<chr>    <int>  <int>  <int>
1 Afghanistan 1999     745 1998
2 Afghanistan 2000    2666 2059
3 Brazil       1999  37737 17206
4 Brazil       2000  80488 17456
5 China        1999 212258 127291
6 China        2000 213766 128042
```

# Can we make datasets tidy?

```
table4a
```

```
# A tibble: 3 × 3
  country    `1999` `2000`
  <chr>      <int>   <int>
1 Afghanistan    745    2666
2 Brazil        37737   80488
3 China         212258  213766
```

Here, the variable for year is stored as a header, not as data in a cell.

We need to `gather` that data and put it into a column. This function is now called `pivot_longer`

# Can we make datasets tidy?

wide

	x	y	z
id	x	y	z
1	a	c	e
2	b	d	f

```
pivot_longer(table4a, names_to =  
            cols = c(`1999`, `2000`))
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 3  
  country     year   cases  
  <chr>      <chr>  <int>  
1 Afghanistan 1999    745  
2 Afghanistan 2000   2666  
3 Brazil      1999  37737  
4 Brazil      2000  80488  
5 China       1999 212258  
6 China       2000 213766
```

# Making data tidy

Admittedly, `pivot_wider` and `pivot_longer` are not easy concepts, but we'll practice with them more.

1. `pivot_longer` collects multiple columns into 2, and only 2 columns
  - One column represents the data in the column headers
  - One column represents the values in the column
  - All other columns are repeated to keep all the data properly associated
2. `pivot_wider` takes two columns and makes them multiple columns
  - The values in one column form the headers to different new columns
  - The values in the other column represent the values in the corresponding cells
  - The other columns are repeated to start with, but reduce repetitions to make all associated data stay together

# Tidying the weather data

```
library(tidyverse)
weather_data <- rio::import('../data/weather.csv')
```

	id	year	month	element	d1	d2	d3	d4	d5	d6
1	MX17004	2010	1	tmax	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	MX17004	2010	1	tmin	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	MX17004	2010	2	tmax	NA	27.3	24.1	NA	NA	NA
4	MX17004	2010	2	tmin	NA	14.4	14.4	NA	NA	NA
5	MX17004	2010	3	tmax	NA	NA	NA	NA	32.1	NA
6	MX17004	2010	3	tmin	NA	NA	NA	NA	14.2	NA
	d14	d15	d16	d17	d18	d19	d20	d21	d22	d23
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	29.9	NA
4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.7	NA
5	NA	NA	31.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
6	NA	NA	17.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	d24	d25								

1. Days are in separate columns
2. Temperatures for each day is in two rows, max and min
3. Don't worry about missing values. Just work on getting the shape right

# Tidying the weather data

```
weather1 <- pivot_longer(weather_data, names_to='day', values_to='temp',
                         cols = c(-(1:4)))
head(weather1, 5)
```

```
# A tibble: 5 × 6
  id      year month element day    temp
  <chr>   <int> <int> <chr>   <chr> <dbl>
1 MX17004 2010     1 tmax    d1     NA
2 MX17004 2010     1 tmax    d2     NA
3 MX17004 2010     1 tmax    d3     NA
4 MX17004 2010     1 tmax    d4     NA
5 MX17004 2010     1 tmax    d5     NA
```

# Tidying the weather data

```
weather1 <- pivot_longer(weather_data, names_to='day', values_to='temp',
                         cols = c(-(1:4)))
weather2 <- pivot_wider(weather1, names_from='element', values_from = 'temp')
head(weather2, 5)
```

```
# A tibble: 5 × 6
  id      year month day   tmax   tmin
  <chr>  <int> <int> <chr> <dbl> <dbl>
1 MX17004  2010     1 d1     NA     NA
2 MX17004  2010     1 d2     NA     NA
3 MX17004  2010     1 d3     NA     NA
4 MX17004  2010     1 d4     NA     NA
5 MX17004  2010     1 d5     NA     NA
```

# Tidying the weather data

```
weather1 <- pivot_longer(weather_data, names_to='day', values_to='temp',
                         cols = c(-(1:4)))
weather2 <- pivot_wider(weather1, names_from='element', values_from = 'temp')
weather3 <- separate(weather2, col='day', into=c('symbol','day'), sep=1)
head(weather3,5)
```

```
# A tibble: 5 × 7
  id      year month symbol day     tmax   tmin
  <chr>    <int> <int> <chr> <chr> <dbl> <dbl>
1 MX17004  2010     1 d      1       NA     NA
2 MX17004  2010     1 d      2       NA     NA
3 MX17004  2010     1 d      3       NA     NA
4 MX17004  2010     1 d      4       NA     NA
5 MX17004  2010     1 d      5       NA     NA
```

This gets us into the right shape for the data.

There still is some work to do, but the format is tidy

# Data transformation (dplyr)

The `dplyr` package gives us a few verbs for data manipulation

Function	Purpose
<code>select</code>	Select columns based on name or position
<code>mutate</code>	Create or change a column
<code>filter</code>	Extract rows based on some criteria
<code>arrange</code>	Re-order rows based on values of variable(s)
<code>group_by</code>	Split a dataset by unique values of a variable
<code>summarize</code>	Create summary statistics based on columns

# select

You can select columns by name or position, of course, e.g., `select(weather, month)` or `select(weather, 3)`

You can select consecutive columns using `:` notation, e.g. `select(weather, d1:d31)`

You can also select columns based on some criteria, which are encapsulated in functions.

- `starts_with("___")`, `ends_with("___")`, `contains("____")`
- `one_of("____", "_____")`
- `everything()`

There are others; see `help(starts_with)`.

These selection methods work in all tidyverse functions

Note that for `select` the names of the columns don't need to be quoted. This is called *non-standard evaluation* and is a convenience. However for the criteria-based selectors within `select`, you **do** need to quote the criteria

# select

```
weather1 <- select(weather_data, year, month, d1:d31  
head(weather1, 20)
```

	year	month	d1	d2	d3	d4	d5	d6	d7	d8	d9	d10	d11	d12	d13	d14	d15	d16	d17	d18	d19	d20	d21	d22	d23	d24	d25
1	2010	1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2	2010	1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
3	2010	2	NA	27.3	24.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
4	2010	2	NA	14.4	14.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
5	2010	3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	32.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
6	2010	3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	14.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
7	2010	4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
8	2010	4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
9	2010	5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
10	2010	5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
11	2010	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
12	2010	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
13	2010	7	NA	NA	28.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
14	2010	7	NA	NA	17.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
15	2010	8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	29.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
16	2010	8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	15.8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
17	2010	10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	27.0	NA	28.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA								
18	2010	10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	14.0	NA	12.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA								
19	2010	11	NA	31.3	NA	27.2	26.3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
20	2010	11	NA	16.3	NA	12.0	7.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
			d15	d16	d17	d18	d19	d20	d21	d22	d23	d24	d25														
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	29.9	NA								
4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.7	NA								
5	NA	31.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
6	NA	17.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	

# select

```
weather1 <- select(weather_data, starts_with('d'))  
head(weather1, 20)
```

	d1	d2	d3	d4	d5	d6	d7	d8	d9	d10	d11
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	NA	27.3	24.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	29.7
4	NA	14.4	14.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	13.4
5	NA	NA	NA	NA	32.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	34.5	NA
6	NA	NA	NA	NA	14.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	16.8	NA
7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
11	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
12	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
13	NA	NA	28.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
14	NA	NA	17.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
15	NA	NA	NA	NA	29.6	NA	NA	29.0	NA	NA	NA
16	NA	NA	NA	NA	15.8	NA	NA	17.3	NA	NA	NA
17	NA	NA	NA	NA	27.0	NA	28.1	NA	NA	NA	NA
18	NA	NA	NA	NA	14.0	NA	12.9	NA	NA	NA	NA
19	NA	31.3	NA	27.2	26.3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20	NA	16.3	NA	12.0	7.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	d17	d18	d19	d20	d21	d22	d23	d24	d25	d26	d27
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	29.9	NA	NA	NA	NA
4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.7	NA	NA	NA	NA
5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	36.3

# select

The flexibility of the `select` function, which is also used in other tidyverse functions like `pivot_longer`, and others we'll see presently, is quite powerful.

Suppose you have a large genomic data where the columns are different genes, and suppose that the housekeeping genes all start with "HK". Then, in order to *remove* the housekeeping genes, you could just do

```
new_data <- select(old_data, -starts_with("HK"))
```

Here, the `-` sign means, remove those columns.

Also note that we have to assign the selected dataset to a new (or old) name in order to preserve it in the workspace.

# select

I always prefer naming my columns well and using the capabilities of `select` to grab columns.

However, you can use `select` with column numbers. For example, if you wanted to grab the first 4 columns of a dataset, you could do

```
new_data <- select(old_data, 1:4)
```

The notation `1:4` is a short hand for the sequence `1, 2, 3, 4`. Generally, the notation `m:n` means the set of consecutive integers between `m` and `n`.

# mutate

`mutate`, as the name suggests, either creates a new column in your data set or transforms an existing column.

```
weather4 <- mutate(weather3,
                    num_day = as.numeric(day))
as_tibble(weather4)
```

```
# A tibble: 341 × 8
  id      year month symbol day    tmax tmin num
  <chr>   <int> <int> <chr>  <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1 MX17004 2010     1 d      1       NA     NA
2 MX17004 2010     1 d      2       NA     NA
3 MX17004 2010     1 d      3       NA     NA
4 MX17004 2010     1 d      4       NA     NA
5 MX17004 2010     1 d      5       NA     NA
6 MX17004 2010     1 d      6       NA     NA
7 MX17004 2010     1 d      7       NA     NA
8 MX17004 2010     1 d      8       NA     NA
9 MX17004 2010     1 d      9       NA     NA
10 MX17004 2010     1 d     10      NA     NA
# ... with 331 more rows
```

# mutate

`mutate` can either transform a column in place or create a new column in a dataset

```
weather4 <- mutate(weather3, day = as.numeric(day))  
as_tibble(weather4)
```

```
# A tibble: 341 × 7  
  id      year month symbol   day   tmax   tmin  
  <chr>    <int> <int> <chr>   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>  
1 MX17004  2010     1 d       1     NA     NA  
2 MX17004  2010     1 d       2     NA     NA  
3 MX17004  2010     1 d       3     NA     NA  
4 MX17004  2010     1 d       4     NA     NA  
5 MX17004  2010     1 d       5     NA     NA  
6 MX17004  2010     1 d       6     NA     NA  
7 MX17004  2010     1 d       7     NA     NA  
8 MX17004  2010     1 d       8     NA     NA  
9 MX17004  2010     1 d       9     NA     NA  
10 MX17004  2010     1 d      10     NA    NA  
# ... with 331 more rows
```

# mutate

`mutate` can also be used to deal with missing values, by replacing them with a value, for example

```
mutate(weather4, tmax = replace_na(tmax, 0))
```

You wouldn't want to do exactly this, of course

```
# A tibble: 341 × 7
  id      year month symbol   day   tmax   tmin
  <chr>    <int> <int> <chr>   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1 MX17004  2010     1 d        1     0     NA
2 MX17004  2010     1 d        2     0     NA
3 MX17004  2010     1 d        3     0     NA
4 MX17004  2010     1 d        4     0     NA
5 MX17004  2010     1 d        5     0     NA
6 MX17004  2010     1 d        6     0     NA
7 MX17004  2010     1 d        7     0     NA
8 MX17004  2010     1 d        8     0     NA
9 MX17004  2010     1 d        9     0     NA
10 MX17004  2010     1 d       10     0    NA
# ... with 331 more rows
```

# across

`dplyr` version 1.0 introduced a new verb, `across` to allow functions like `mutate` (and `summarize`, which we shall see in the statistics module) to act on a selection of columns which can be chosen using the same syntax as `select`, or by condition.

```
mutate(mpg,
       cty = cty * 1.6/3.8,
       hwy = hwy * 1.6/3.8)
```

```
mutate(mpg,
       across(c(cty, hwy),
              function(x) {x * 1.6/3.8}))
```

---

```
mutate(mpg,
       across(is.character, as.factor)) # select based on condition
```

# filter

`filter` extracts `rows` based on criteria

So if we wanted to just grab January data, we could use

```
january <- filter(weather4, month==1)  
head(january)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 7  
  id      year month symbol day   tmax tmin  
  <chr>    <int> <int> <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>  
1 MX17004  2010     1 d       1     NA    NA  
2 MX17004  2010     1 d       2     NA    NA  
3 MX17004  2010     1 d       3     NA    NA  
4 MX17004  2010     1 d       4     NA    NA  
5 MX17004  2010     1 d       5     NA    NA  
6 MX17004  2010     1 d       6     NA    NA
```

# filter

Some comparison operators for filtering

Operator	Meaning
<code>==</code>	Equals
<code>!=</code>	Not equals
<code>&gt; / &lt;</code>	Greater / less than
<code>&gt;= / &lt;=</code>	Greater or equal / Less or equal
<code>!</code>	Not
<code>%in%</code>	In a set

Combining comparisons

Operator	Meaning
<code>&amp;</code>	And
<code> </code>	Or

# filter

Some comparison operators for filtering

Strings: `str_detect(<variable>, "<string>")` or `str_detect(<variable>, "<regex>")`

Regex or regular expression basics:

Expression	Meaning
[a,b,c]	Matches "a", "b" or "c"
[a-z]	Matches letters between "a" and "z"
[^abc]	Matches anything except "a", "b" and "c"
:alpha:]	letters
:digit:]	digits
:alnum:]	letters or numbers
:punct:]	punctuation

Many more details are available [here](#) and a cheatsheet is available [here](#)

# filter

Let's use the `mpg` dataset from the `ggplot2` package

```
mpg1 <- filter(mpg,
  (year==1999) &
    (class %in% c('minivan', 'suv')))
select(mpg1, manufacturer, cty, hwy, class, year)
```

```
# A tibble: 35 × 5
  manufacturer   cty   hwy class year
  <chr>      <int> <int> <chr> <int>
1 chevrolet     13    17  suv   1999
2 chevrolet     11    15  suv   1999
3 chevrolet     14    17  suv   1999
4 dodge        18    24 minivan 1999
5 dodge         17    24 minivan 1999
6 dodge         16    22 minivan 1999
7 dodge         16    22 minivan 1999
8 dodge         15    22 minivan 1999
9 dodge         15    21 minivan 1999
10 dodge        13    17  suv   1999
# ... with 25 more rows
```

# filter

A common use of `filter` is to remove rows with missing values from your dataset

```
weather5 <- filter(weather4,
                     !is.na(tmax) & !is.na(tmin))
head(weather5, 20)
```

`is.na` is a *function* that tests whether a value is missing or not.

So `!is.na` is the opposite of that.

#	A tibble: 20 × 7	id	year	month	symbol	day	tmax	tmin
		<chr>	<int>	<int>	<chr>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1	MX17004	2010	1	d		30	27.8	14.5
2	MX17004	2010	2	d		2	27.3	14.4
3	MX17004	2010	2	d		3	24.1	14.4
4	MX17004	2010	2	d		11	29.7	13.4
5	MX17004	2010	2	d		23	29.9	10.7
6	MX17004	2010	3	d		5	32.1	14.2
7	MX17004	2010	3	d		10	34.5	16.8
8	MX17004	2010	3	d		16	31.1	17.6
9	MX17004	2010	4	d		27	36.3	16.7
10	MX17004	2010	5	d		27	33.2	18.2
11	MX17004	2010	6	d		17	28	17.5
12	MX17004	2010	6	d		29	30.1	18
13	MX17004	2010	7	d		3	28.6	17.5
14	MX17004	2010	7	d		14	29.9	16.5
15	MX17004	2010	8	d		5	29.6	15.8
16	MX17004	2010	8	d		8	29	17.3
17	MX17004	2010	8	d		13	29.8	16.5
18	MX17004	2010	8	d		23	26.4	15
19	MX17004	2010	8	d		25	29.7	15.6
20	MX17004	2010	8	d		29	28	15.3

## Important distinction

The **filter** function affects  
rows of a dataset

The **select** function affects  
columns of a dataset

# slice

You can use `slice` and siblings to subset `rows` of a data set by index.

- `slice(mpg, 1,2,5)` grabs rows 1, 2 and 5
- `slice_head(mpg)` / `slice_tail(mpg)` grabs first/last row of data set
  - You can specify an argument `n` for the number of rows to grab
  - You can specify an argument `prop` for the proportion of rows to grab
- `slice_sample(mpg, 10)` grabs 10 rows at random, without replacement
- `slice_min(mpg, hwy)` / `slice_max(mpg, hwy)` gives the `n/prop` rows with the lowest/highest values of `hwy`.

# arrange

`arrange` reorders **rows** of a data set according to the values of one or more variables

```
arrange(weather5, day)
```

Not quite.

```
# A tibble: 33 × 7
  id      year month symbol   day   tmax   tmin
  <chr>    <int> <int> <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1 MX17004  2010     12 d       1  29.9  13.8
2 MX17004  2010      2 d       2  27.3  14.4
3 MX17004  2010     11 d      2  31.3  16.3
4 MX17004  2010      2 d      3  24.1  14.4
5 MX17004  2010      7 d      3  28.6  17.5
6 MX17004  2010     11 d      4  27.2  12
7 MX17004  2010      3 d      5  32.1  14.2
8 MX17004  2010      8 d      5  29.6  15.8
9 MX17004  2010     10 d      5  27    14
10 MX17004  2010     11 d     5  26.3  7.9
# ... with 23 more rows
```

# arrange

```
arrange(weather5, month, day)
```

```
# A tibble: 33 × 7
  id      year month symbol   day   tmax   tmin
  <chr>    <int> <int> <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1 MX17004  2010     1 d       30  27.8  14.5
2 MX17004  2010     2 d        2  27.3  14.4
3 MX17004  2010     2 d        3  24.1  14.4
4 MX17004  2010     2 d       11  29.7  13.4
5 MX17004  2010     2 d       23  29.9  10.7
6 MX17004  2010     3 d        5  32.1  14.2
7 MX17004  2010     3 d       10  34.5  16.8
8 MX17004  2010     3 d       16  31.1  17.6
9 MX17004  2010     4 d       27  36.3  16.7
10 MX17004  2010     5 d      27  33.2  18.2
# ... with 23 more rows
```

# arrange

1. I use `arrange` sparingly in my workflow
  - For spiffing up final presentation tables
  - If order is **really** important
2. Sorting data is one of the most computationally expensive operations you can do
  - It can crash your computer for big data

# Cluttering up our workspace

We've done a bit, but lets see all the objects we've created

```
ls()
```

```
[1] "dat"          "datadir"       "hexes"        "icons_left"
[5] "imgdir"       "january"       "mpg1"         "start_box"
[9] "stop_box"     "tidy_pkgs"    "update_header" "weather_data"
[13] "weather1"     "weather2"      "weather3"      "weather4"
[17] "weather5"
```

We see a lot of intermediate datasets we've created, that we aren't going to really use anymore

# Workflow pipes in the tidyverse

# Intermediate data sets

Recall how we cleaned the weather dataset yesterday

```
weather_data <- rio::import('../data/weather.csv')
weather1 <- pivot_longer(weather_data, names_to='day', values_to = 'temp', cols = starts_with('d'))
weather2 <- pivot_wider(weather1, names_from = element, values_from=temp)
weather3 <- separate(weather2, day, c('symbol','day'), sep = 1, convert=TRUE)
weather4 <- select(weather3, -symbol)
# weather4 <- mutate(weather2, day = readr::parse_number(day))
weather5 <- mutate(weather4,
                    tmax = replace_na(tmax, 0),
                    tmin = replace_na(tmin, 0))
weather6 <- arrange(weather5,year,month,day)
```

This required us to create and keep track of several intermediate datasets

These datasets are essentially temporary datasets which do not hold the final result

What we did is a series of sequential steps to process the data

The `parse_number` function extracts the first number out of a character string. For example, `parse_number('abc254')` outputs 254.

# Pipes

# Pipes

Pipes are a method in R to create analytic pipelines utilizing tidyverse functions.

The pipe operator (denoted `%>%`, spoken as "then") is what creates the pipes.

You start with a dataset, and then progressively add functions to the pipe. Typically you save the result to a new object.

Each element of the pipe takes as its first argument the results of the previous step, which typically is a data frame.

Pipes are just a different representation of an analytic process that we can do in separate steps anyway.

The keyboard shortcut for the pipe operator in RStudio is `Ctrl/Cmd + Shift + m`

# Pipes

Without pipes

```
mpg1 <- mutate(mpg, id = 1:n())
mpg2 <- select(mpg1, id, year, trans, cty, hwy)
mpg_final <- mutate(mpg2,
                     across(c(cty, hwy),
                            function(x) {x * 1.6/3.8})
```

With pipes

```
mpg_final <- mpg %>%
  mutate(id = 1:n()) %>%
  select(id, year, trans, cty, hwy) %>%
  mutate(across(c(cty, hwy),
                function(x){x*1.6/3.8}))
```

The important things to note here are:

1. When using pipes, the results of one operation are automatically entered into the **first argument** of the next function, so the actual specification omits the first argument
2. If you need the results of one step to go to some other argument of the next function, you can represent that input by `.`, for example, `mpg %>% lm(cty ~ hwy, data = .)` takes the dataset `mpg` and places it in the argument for `data` in the `lm` function.