

Time Series Analysis & Forecasting Using R

Prepare data

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Learning outcomes

You should be able to:

- 1 Create `tsibble` objects in R to work with time series data
- 2 Use `tsibble` functions to prepare data for time series analysis & forecasting
- 3 Work with `tsibble` and tidyverse functions

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Time series

A time series can be thought of as a list of numbers (the measurements), along with some information about what times those numbers were recorded (the index). This information can be stored as an object in R.

Time series data

- Four-yearly Olympic winning times
- Annual Google profits
- Quarterly Australian beer production
- Monthly rainfall
- Weekly retail sales
- Daily IBM stock prices
- Hourly electricity demand
- 5-minute freeway traffic counts
- Time-stamped stock transaction data

Class packages

```
# Data manipulation and plotting functions  
library(tidyverse)  
# Time series manipulation  
library(tsibble)  
# Forecasting functions  
library(fable)  
# Time series graphics and statistics  
library(feasts)  
# Tidy time series data  
library(tsibbledata)
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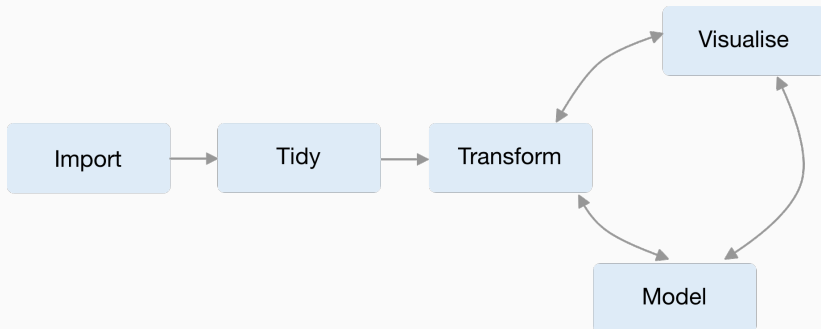
```
# Tidy time series data
```

```
library(tsibbledata)
```

```
# All of the above and more
```

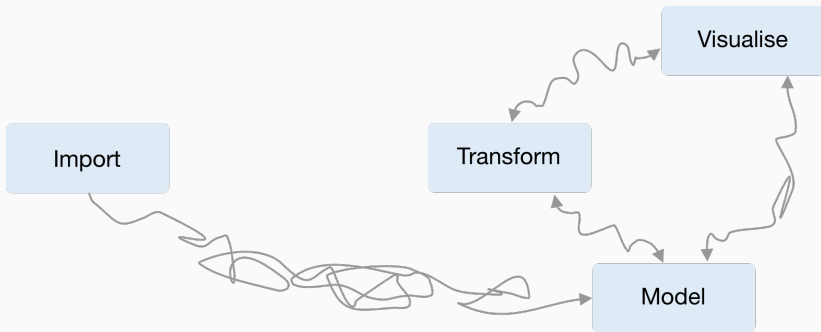
```
library(fpp3)
```

Tidyverse



Time series objects in R for forecasting

- does not work with `ts()`, `zoo()`, `xts()`, etc
- difficult to work with tidyverse



Features of data

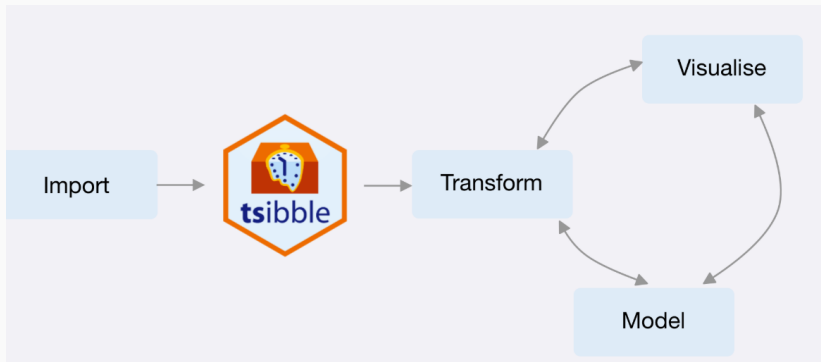
- heterogeneous data types
- irregular time interval
- multiple measured variables
- multiple grouping variables

The key to many time series

- Most time series can be naturally disaggregated using a series of factors known as keys
- These keys are used to uniquely identify separate time series, each of which can be modelled separately.
- This structure allows batch time series analysis & forecasting to be applied across many time series.
- Estimating multiple models is a key feature

Tsibble package

It defines tidier data for temporal analysis



tsibble objects

In tsibble:

- An index: time information about the observation
- Measured variable(s): numbers of interest
- Key variable(s): set of variables that define observational units over time
- It works with tidyverse functions.

The tsibble index

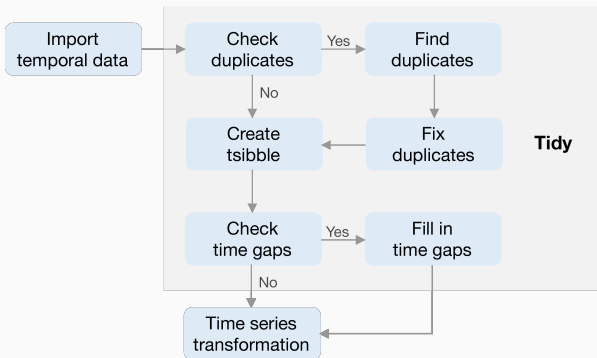
Common time index variables can be created with these functions:

Frequency	Function
Annual	start:end
Quarterly	yearquarter()
Monthly	yearmonth()
Weekly	yearweek()
Daily	as_date(), ymd()
Sub-daily	as_datetime()

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Steps to create a tsibble



Read a csv file

quarterly overnight trips across Australia

```
tourism <- readxl::read_excel("data/tourism.xlsx")
```

```
## # A tibble: 24,320 x 5
```

```
##   Quarter      Region      State      Purpose Trips
##   <chr>        <chr>      <chr>      <chr>    <dbl>
## 1 1998-01-01 Adelaide South Austr~ Busine~ 135.
## 2 1998-04-01 Adelaide South Austr~ Busine~ 110.
## 3 1998-07-01 Adelaide South Austr~ Busine~ 166.
## 4 1998-10-01 Adelaide South Austr~ Busine~ 127.
## 5 1999-01-01 Adelaide South Austr~ Busine~ 137.
## 6 1999-04-01 Adelaide South Austr~ Busine~ 200.
## 7 1999-07-01 Adelaide South Austr~ Busine~ 169.
## 8 1999-10-01 Adelaide South Austr~ Busine~ 134.
## 9 2000-01-01 Adelaide South Austr~ Busine~ 154.
## 10 2000-04-01 Adelaide South Austr~ Busine~ 169.
## # ... with 24,310 more rows
```

Check duplicates

```
tourismd <- tourism %>% duplicated()  
sum(tourismd)
```

```
## [1] 0
```

```
#are_duplicated()  
#tourism %>% distinct()
```

Change index to yearquarter

```
tourism <- tourism %>%  
  mutate(Quarter = yearquarter(Quarter))
```

```
## # A tibble: 24,320 x 5
```

##	Quarter	Region	State	Purpose	Trips
##	<qtr>	<chr>	<chr>	<chr>	<dbl>
##	1 1998 Q1	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	135.
##	2 1998 Q2	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	110.
##	3 1998 Q3	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	166.
##	4 1998 Q4	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	127.
##	5 1999 Q1	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	137.
##	6 1999 Q2	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	200.
##	7 1999 Q3	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	169.
##	8 1999 Q4	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	134.
##	9 2000 Q1	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	154.
##	10 2000 Q2	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	169.
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Create a tsibble

```
tourism <- tourism %>%  
  as_tsibble(  
    index = Quarter,  
    key = c(Region, State, Purpose)  
  )
```

```
## # A tsibble: 24,320 x 5 [1Q]  
## # Key:           Region, State, Purpose [304]  
##   Quarter Region   State           Purpose   Trips  
##   <qtr> <chr>      <chr>           <chr>    <dbl>  
## 1 1998 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business 135.  
## 2 1998 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business 110.  
## 3 1998 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business 166.  
## 4 1998 Q4 Adelaide South Australia Business 127.  
## 5 1999 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business 137.  
## 6 1999 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business 200.  
## 7 1999 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business 169.  
## 8 1999 Q4 Adelaide South Australia Business 134.
```

Check gaps

```
tourism %>% has_gaps()  
tourism %>% count_gaps()  
tourism %>% scan_gaps()  
tourism %>% fill_gaps(Trips=0L)
```

tsibble objects

```
tourism
```

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## # Key:           Region, State, Purpose [304]
##   Quarter Region   State           Purpose   Trips
##   <qtr> <chr>      <chr>           <chr>     <dbl>
## 1 1998 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business  135.
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## 3 1998 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business  166.
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##   Quarter Region   State           Purpose   Trips
##   Index  <chr>      <chr>           <chr>     <dbl>
## 1 1998 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business  135.
## 2 1998 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business  110.
## 3 1998 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business  166.
## 4 1998 Q4 Adelaide South Australia Business  127.
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```
## # A tsibble: 24,320 x 5 [1Q]
## # Key:           Region, State, Purpose [304]
##   Quarter Region   State           Purpose   Trips
##   Index      Keys
##   <dbl>
## 1 1998 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business 135.
## 2 1998 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business 110.
## 3 1998 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business 166.
## 4 1998 Q4 Adelaide South Australia Business 127.
## 5 1999 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business 137.
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##   Index      Keys                                Measure
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## 3 1998 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business 166.
## 4 1998 Q4 Adelaide South Australia Business 127.
## 5 1999 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business 137.
## 6 1999 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business 200.
## 7 1999 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business 169.
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```

```
## # Key:           Region, State, Purpose [304]
```

```
##   Quarter Region   State           Purpose   Trips
```

```
##   Index      Keys                               Measure
```

```
## 1 1998 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business 135.
```

```
## 2 1998 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business 110.
```

```
## 3 1998 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business
```

```
## 4 1998 Q4 Adelaide South Australia Business
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```
## 5 1999 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business
```

```
## 6 1999 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business
```

```
## 7 1999 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business 169.
```

```
## 8 1999 Q4 Adelaide South Australia Business 134.
```

```
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```

```
## 10 2000 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business 169.
```

```
## # ... with 24,310 more rows
```

Domestic visitor
nights in thousands
by state/region and
purpose.

Working with tsibble objects

We can use the `filter()` function to select rows.

```
tourism %>%  
  filter(Purpose == "Business")
```

```
## # A tsibble: 6,080 x 5 [1Q]  
## # Key:      Region, State, Purpose [76]  
##   Quarter Region   State      Purpose  Trips  
##   <qtr> <chr>    <chr>      <chr>    <dbl>  
## 1 1998 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business 135.  
## 2 1998 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business 110.  
## 3 1998 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business 166.  
## 4 1998 Q4 Adelaide South Australia Business 127.  
## 5 1999 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business 137.  
## 6 1999 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business 200.  
## 7 1999 Q3 Adelaide South Australia Business 169.  
## 8 1999 Q4 Adelaide South Australia Business 134.  
## 9 2000 Q1 Adelaide South Australia Business 154.  
## 10 2000 Q2 Adelaide South Australia Business 169.
```

Working with tsibble objects

We can use the `select()` function to select columns.

```
tourism %>%  
  filter(Purpose == "Business") %>%  
  select(Region, Trips)
```

```
## # A tsibble: 6,080 x 5 [1Q]  
## # Key:      Region, State, Purpose [76]  
##   Region   Trips Quarter State      Purpose  
##   <chr>    <dbl>   <qtr> <chr>    <chr>  
## 1 Adelaide 135. 1998 Q1 South Australia Business  
## 2 Adelaide 110. 1998 Q2 South Australia Business  
## 3 Adelaide 166. 1998 Q3 South Australia Business  
## 4 Adelaide 127. 1998 Q4 South Australia Business  
## 5 Adelaide 137. 1999 Q1 South Australia Business  
## 6 Adelaide 200. 1999 Q2 South Australia Business  
## 7 Adelaide 169. 1999 Q3 South Australia Business  
## 8 Adelaide 134. 1999 Q4 South Australia Business  
## 9 Adelaide 154. 2000 Q1 South Australia Business  
## 10 Adelaide 160. 2000 Q2 South Australia Business
```

Working with `tsibble` objects

- We can use `group_by()` function to group over keys.
 - ▶ We can also do it with: `group_by_key()`
- We can use the `summarise()` function to summarise over keys.

```
tourism %>%  
  group_by(Region, Purpose) %>%  
  summarise(Trips = mean(Trips)) %>%  
  ungroup()
```

```
## # A tsibble: 24,320 x 4 [1Q]  
## # Key:      Region, Purpose [304]  
##   Region  Purpose  Quarter  Trips  
##   <chr>   <chr>     <qtr>   <dbl>  
## 1 Adelaide Business 1998 Q1   135.  
## 2 Adelaide Business 1998 Q2   110.  
## 3 Adelaide Business 1998 Q3   166.  
## 4 Adelaide Business 1998 Q4   127.
```

Working with tsibble objects

- We can use `index_by()` function to group over index
- We can use the `summarise()` function to summarise over index.

```
tourism %>%  
  index_by(Quarter) %>%  
    summarise(total_trips = sum(Trips))
```

```
## # A tsibble: 80 x 2 [1Q]  
##   Quarter total_trips  
##   <qtr>      <dbl>  
## 1 1998 Q1      23182.  
## 2 1998 Q2      20323.  
## 3 1998 Q3      19827.  
## 4 1998 Q4      20830.  
## 5 1999 Q1      22087.  
## 6 1999 Q2      21458.  
## 7 1999 Q3      19914.  
## 8 1999 Q4      20028.
```


Working with tsibble objects

We can use the `mutate()` function to create new variables.

```
tourism %>%  
  mutate(year = year(Quarter)) -> m1
```

```
## # A tsibble: 24,320 x 6 [1Q]  
## # Key:      Region, State, Purpose [304]  
##   Quarter Region   State   Purpose Trips  year  
##   <qtr> <chr>    <chr>    <chr>    <dbl> <dbl>  
## 1 1998 Q1 Adelaide South Aus~ Busine~ 135. 1998  
## 2 1998 Q2 Adelaide South Aus~ Busine~ 110. 1998  
## 3 1998 Q3 Adelaide South Aus~ Busine~ 166. 1998  
## 4 1998 Q4 Adelaide South Aus~ Busine~ 127. 1998  
## 5 1999 Q1 Adelaide South Aus~ Busine~ 137. 1999  
## 6 1999 Q2 Adelaide South Aus~ Busine~ 200. 1999  
## 7 1999 Q3 Adelaide South Aus~ Busine~ 169. 1999  
## 8 1999 Q4 Adelaide South Aus~ Busine~ 134. 1999  
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