

Homework 7

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Loading Libraries

Keys

Primary keys uniquely identify an observation within its own table. *Foreign keys* uniquely identify an observation in another table.

To be sure the identification is unique, count the primary keys and see if any are greater than 1.

There is not a primary key in the flights tibble because the values repeat. We need to add a *surrogate key* to flights.

Exercise 1 Identify the primary keys in three datasets.

Be sure to show that you have the primary key by showing there are no duplicate entries.

a. Lahman Batting Primary Key

```
## [1] playerID stint    yearID    n
## <0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

The primary key for Lahman::Batting is playerID, stint, and yearID.

b. Babynames Primary key

The primary key for babynames is name, year, and sex.

c. Atmos Primary Key

```
## # A tibble: 0 x 5
## # ... with 5 variables: lat <dbl>, long <dbl>, year <int>, month <int>, n <int>
```

the primary key for atmos is lat, long, year, month.

Exercise 2 What is the relationship between the `Batting`, `Master`, and `Salaries` tables in the `Lahman` package? What are the keys for each dataset and how do they relate to each other?

```
## [1] playerID n
## <0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

```
## [1] playerID teamID yearID n
## <0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

As we know from above, the primary key for `Batting` is `playerID`, `stint`, and `yearID`. The primary key for `Master` is `playerID`, and for `Salaries` it is `playerID`, `teamID`, and `yearID`.

`playerID` in `Master` has a 1 to many relationship in `Salaries` and `Batting`.