

# COGS138: Neural Data Science

## **Lecture 8**

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# Plan for today

- Announcements
- Assignment 2 overview
- Review - Last time
- More on Data, Visualization, and outlier detection
- Group projects introduction

# Announcements

- A1 - not everybody turned it in, if you have not please do and email me!
- A2 - due **a week from release, on data hub**
- Reading 2 - Released on canvas and in web site password protected area soon, lecture quiz due **a week from release**
- **Group formation** - check canvas for empty groups, please self-sign up
- Previous project review released tonight

# Last time

# Course links

Website	<a href="http://casimpkinsjr.radiantdolphinpress.com/pages/cogs138_sp23">http://casimpkinsjr.radiantdolphinpress.com/pages/cogs138_sp23</a>	Main face of the course and everything will be linked from here. Lectures, Readings, Handouts, Files, links
GitHub	<a href="https://github.com/drsimpkins-teaching">https://github.com/drsimpkins-teaching</a>	files/data, additional materials & final projects
datahub	<a href="https://datahub.ucsd.edu">https://datahub.ucsd.edu</a>	assignment submission
Piazza	<a href="https://piazza.com/ucsd/spring2023/cogs138_sp23_a00/home">https://piazza.com/ucsd/spring2023/cogs138_sp23_a00/home</a> (course code on canvas home page)	questions, discussion, and regrade requests
Canvas	<a href="https://canvas.ucsd.edu/courses/44897">https://canvas.ucsd.edu/courses/44897</a>	grades, lecture videos
Anonymous Feedback	Will be able to submit via google form	If I ever offend you, use an example you are uncomfortable with, or to provide general feedback. Please remain constructive and polite

Data structures (Types, Tidy Data,  
Data Intuition), Data Cleaning

# Neural data and structures

- Neural data science generates and processes large amounts of data
- Data must be stored in some organized way for analysis - “Structure”
  - There are three classes of data storage we will discuss - *structured, semi-structured, unstructured*

# Data Structures Review

## Structured data

- Can be stored in database SQL
- Tables with rows and columns
- Requires a relational key
- 5-10% of all data

## Semi-structured data

- Doesn't reside in a relational database
- Has organizational properties (easier to analyze)
- CSV, XML, JSON

## Unstructured

- Non-tabular data
- 80% of the world's data
- Images, text, audio, videos

# Question

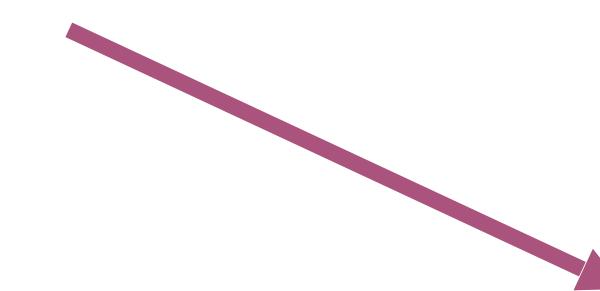
- Why do we do this? What do you think?
- Could we perform neural data science without understanding data structure or giving it any thought?

# (Semi-)Structured Data

*Data that is stored in such a way that it is easy to search and work with. These data are stored in a particular format that adheres to organization principles imposed by the file format. These are the data structures data scientists work with most often.*

# CSV files

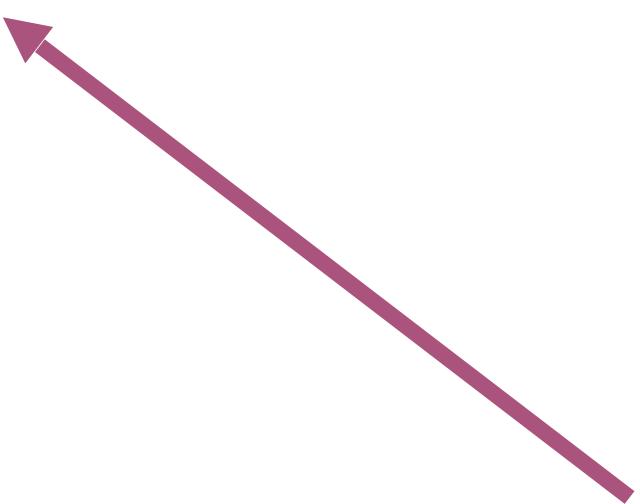
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comma



Has the  
extension “.csv”

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Example CSV - Sheet1 — Notatnik				
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Email	First Name	Last Name	Company	Snippet 1
example1@domain.com	John	Smith	Company 1	Snippet Sentence1
example2@gmail.com	Mary	Blake	Company 2	Snippet Sentence 2
example3@outlook.com	James	Joyce	Company 3	Snippet Sentence 3



Each row is  
separated by a  
new line

CSV



## Example CSV



File Edit View Insert Format Data Tools Add-ons Help All changes saved in Drive



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CSV file

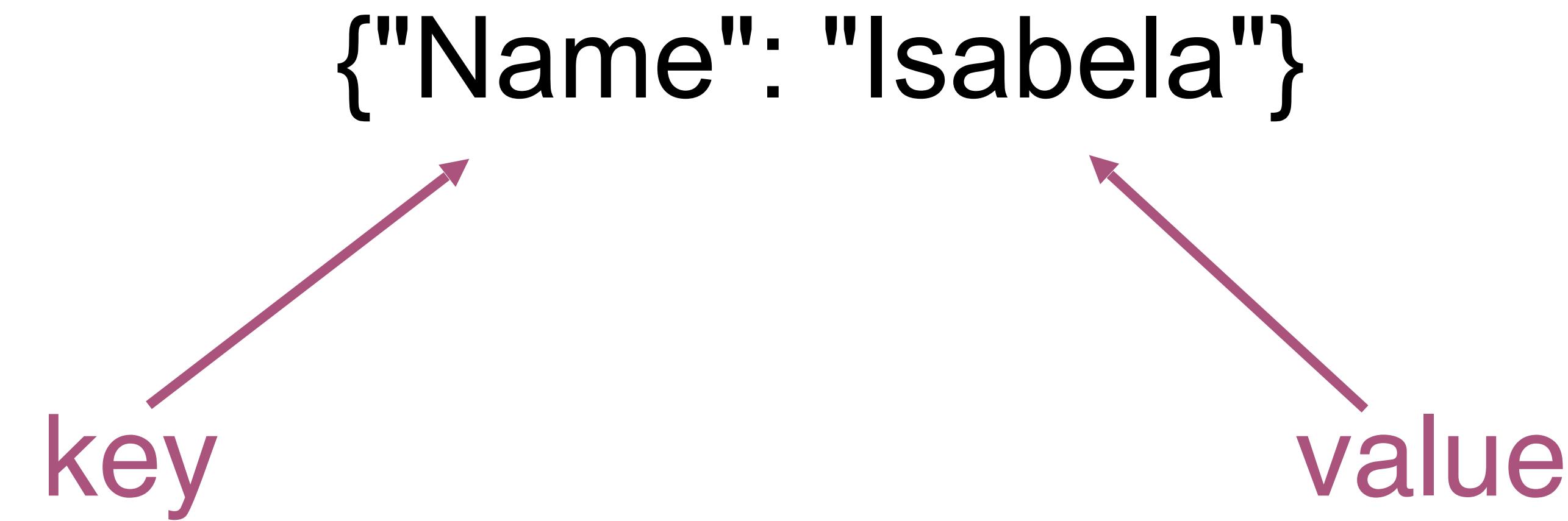


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CSV

# JSON: key-value pairs

*nested/hierarchical data*



JSON

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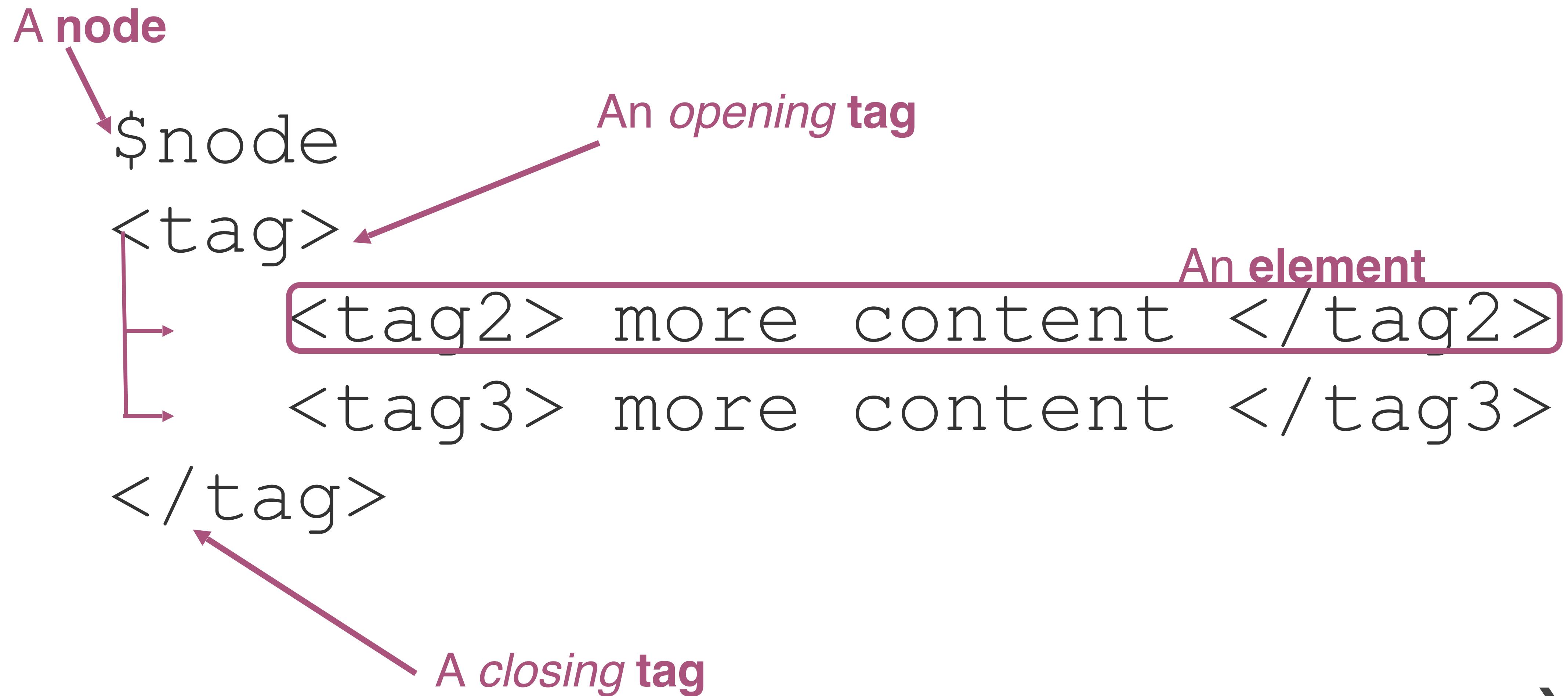
These are all nested within attributes

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"attributes": {  
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    "Wi-Fi": "free",  
    "Drive-Thru": true,  
    "Good For": {  
        "dessert": false,  
        "latenight": false,  
        "lunch": false,  
        "dinner": false,  
        "breakfast": false,  
        "brunch": false  
    },
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These are all nested within "Good For"

# Extensible Markup Language (XML): nodes, tags, and elements

nested/hierarchical data



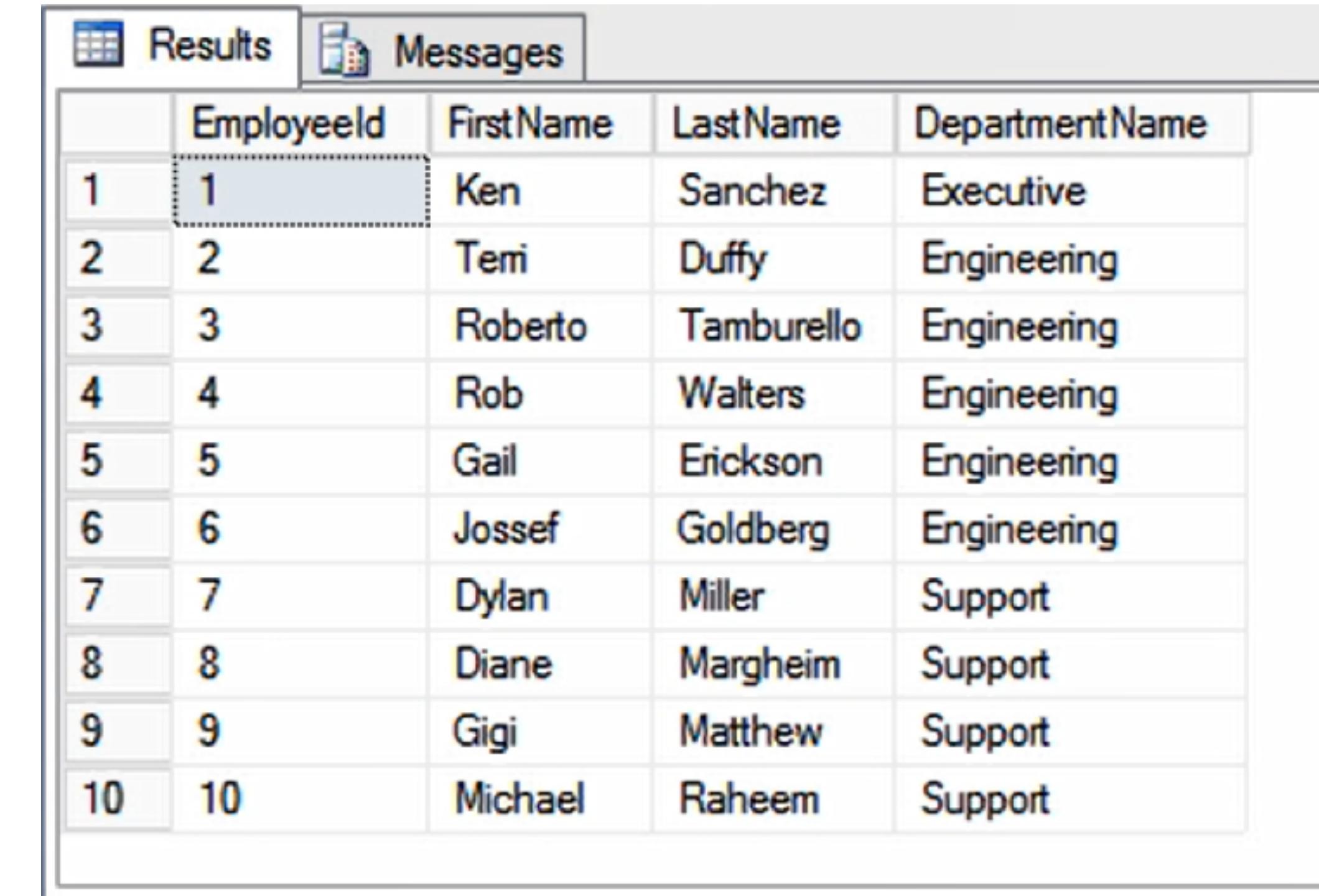
XML

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
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        <customer_id>1</customer_id>
        <first_name>John</first_name>
        <last_name>Doe</last_name>
        <email>john.doe@example.com</email>
    </customer>
    <customer>
        <customer_id>2</customer_id>
        <first_name>Sam</first_name>
        <last_name>Smith</last_name>
        <email>sam.smith@example.com</email>
    </customer>
    <customer>
        <customer_id>3</customer_id>
        <first_name>Jane</first_name>
        <last_name>Doe</last_name>
        <email>jane.doe@example.com</email>
    </customer>
</customers>
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XML

# Relational Databases: A set of interdependent tables

1. Efficient Data Storage
2. Avoid Ambiguity
3. Increase Data Privacy



The screenshot shows a Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS) interface with the 'Results' tab selected. The results grid displays data from a table with columns: EmployeeId, FirstName, LastName, and DepartmentName. The data consists of 10 rows, each representing an employee. The first row, where EmployeeId is 1, is highlighted with a dashed border.

	EmployeeId	FirstName	LastName	DepartmentName
1	1	Ken	Sanchez	Executive
2	2	Temi	Duffy	Engineering
3	3	Roberto	Tamburello	Engineering
4	4	Rob	Walters	Engineering
5	5	Gail	Erickson	Engineering
6	6	Jossef	Goldberg	Engineering
7	7	Dylan	Miller	Support
8	8	Diane	Margheim	Support
9	9	Gigi	Matthew	Support
10	10	Michael	Raheem	Support

relational  
database

# Information is stored across tables

unique_identifier
AH13JK
JJ29JJ
CI21AA

unique_identifier
AH13JK
JJ29JJ
JJ29JJ
XJ11AS
CI21AA

unique_identifier
AH13JK
SE92FE
CI21AA

entries are *related* to one another by their unique identifier

relational database

## restaurant

name	id	address	type
Taco Stand	AH13JK	1 Main St.	Mexican
Pho Place	<b>JJ29JJ</b>	192 Street Rd.	Vietnamese
Taco Stand	XJ11AS	18 W. East St.	Fusion
Pizza Heaven	CI21AA	711 K Ave.	Italian

## health inspections

id	inspection_date	inspector	score
AH13JK	2018-08-21	Sheila	97
<b>JJ29JJ</b>	2018-03-12	D'eonte	98
<b>JJ29JJ</b>	2018-01-02	Monica	66
XJ11AS	2018-12-16	Mark	43
CI21AA	2018-08-21	Anh	99

## rating

id	stars
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<b>JJ29JJ</b>	4.8
XJ11AS	4.2
CI21AA	4.7

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Two different restaurants with the same name will have different unique identifiers

relational database

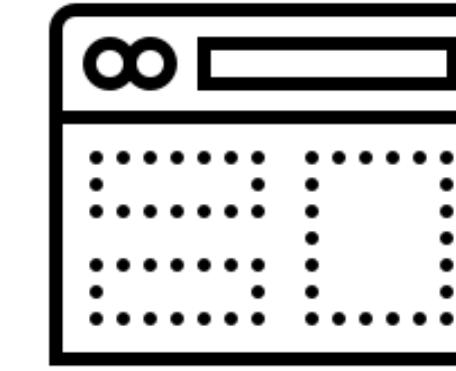
# Unstructured Data

*Some datasets record information about the state of the world, but in a more heterogeneous way. Perhaps it is a large text corpus with images and links like Wikipedia, or the complicated mix of notes and test results appearing in personal medical records.*

# Unstructured Data Types



Text files  
and  
documents



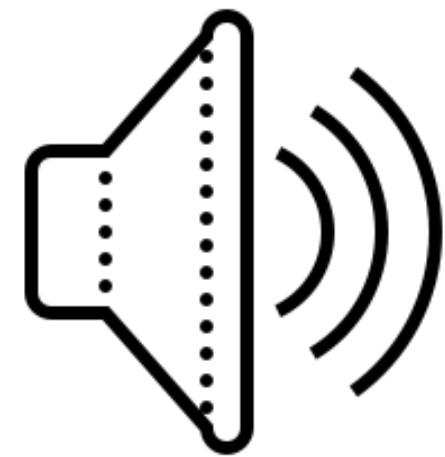
Websites  
and  
applications



Sensor  
data



Image  
files



Audio  
files



Video  
files



Email  
data



Social  
media  
data

# Tidy Data

"Good data scientists understand, in a deep way, that the heavy lifting of cleanup and preparation isn't something that gets in the way of solving the problem: it is the problem." - DJ Patil

# untidy data

Australian Bureau of Statistics											
1800.0 Australian Marriage Law Postal Survey, 2017											
Released on 15 November 2017											
Table 5 Participation by Federal Electoral Division(a), Males and Age Gender apartheid											
Table junk											
Yeah NA	18-19 years	20-24 years	25-29 years	30-34 years	35-39 years	40-44 years	45-49 years	50-54 years	55-59 years	60-64 years	
Lingia(c)	Total participants	292	1,058	1,465	1,653	1,515	1,516	1,710	1,730	1,753	1,574
	Eligible participants	572	2,910	3,789	3,996	3,607	3,506	3,645	3,331	2,960	2,456
Primary keynotes	Participation rate (%)	51.0	36.4	38.7	41.4	42.0	43.2	46.9	51.9	59.2	64.1
Merged cells	Comma on										
Solomon	Total participants	442	1,461	2,066	2,357	2,188	2,057	2,224	2,108	2,134	1,772
	Eligible participants	750	2,991	3,994	4,155	3,634	3,398	3,427	3,066	2,931	2,355
	Participation rate (%)	58.9	48.8	51.7	56.7	60.2	60.5	64.9	68.8	72.8	75.2
Northern Territory (Total)	Total participants	734	2,519	3,531	4,010	3,703	3,573	3,934	3,838	3,887	3,346
	Eligible participants	1,322	5,901	7,783	8,151	7,241	6,904	7,072	6,397	5,891	4,811
	Participation rate (%)	55.5	42.7	45.4	49.2	51.1	51.8	55.6	60.0	66.0	69.5
Australian Capital Territory Divisions	Covariate as Subheading	Summary of data inside data									
Canberra(d)	Total participants	1,764	4,789	4,817	4,973	4,626	4,453	5,074	4,826	5,169	4,394
	Eligible participants	2,260	6,471	6,448	6,509	5,983	5,805	6,302	5,902	6,044	5,057
	Participation rate (%)	78.1	74.0	74.7	76.4	77.3	76.7	80.5	81.8	85.5	86.9
Fenner(e)	Total participants	1,477	4,687	5,178	5,786	6,025	5,463	5,191	4,208	3,948	3,465
	Eligible participants	1,904	6,354	7,121	7,822	7,960	7,155	6,480	5,206	4,692	3,945
	Participation rate (%)	77.6	73.8	72.7	74.0	75.7	76.4	80.1	80.8	84.1	87.8
Australian Capital Territory (Total)	NA Yeah	3,241	9,476	9,995	10,755	10,051	9,916	10,203	9,034	9,117	7,059
	Eligible participants	4,164	12,825	13,569	14,331	13,943	12,960	12,782	11,108	10,736	9,002
	Participation rate (%)	77.8	73.9	73.7	75.1	76.4	76.5	80.3	81.3	84.9	87.3
Australia											
Total	Total participants	151,297	438,166	441,658	460,548	462,206	479,360	524,620	517,693	543,449	506,799
	Eligible participants	201,439	635,909	646,916	665,250	656,446	660,841	693,850	659,150	664,720	597,386
	Participation rate (%)	75.1	68.9	68.3	69.2	70.4	72.5	75.6	78.5	81.8	84.8
(a) The Federal Electoral Divisions are current as at 24 August 2017											
(b) Includes those whose age is unknown											
(c) Includes Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands											
(d) Includes Norfolk Island											
(e) Includes Jervis Bay											
MS Excel or Die											

data → wrangling

# tidy data

area	gender	age	State	Area (sq km)	Eligible participants	Participation rate (%)	Total participants	Total Paticipants
Adelaide	Female	18-19 years	SA	76	1341	83.5	1120	1120
Adelaide	Female	20-24 years	SA	76	4620	81.2	3750	3750
Adelaide	Female	25-29 years	SA	76	4897	81.8	4004	4004
Adelaide	Female	30-34 years	SA	76	4784	79.8	3820	3820
Adelaide	Female	35-39 years	SA	76	4319	79	3411	3411
Adelaide	Female	40-44 years	SA	76	4310	80.6	3472	3472
Adelaide	Female	45-49 years	SA	76	4579	81.4	3728	3728
Adelaide	Female	50-54 years	SA	76	4475	84.7	3791	3791
Adelaide	Female	55-59 years	SA	76	4622	87.3	4033	4033
Adelaide	Female	60-64 years	SA	76	4342	89.3	3879	3879
Adelaide	Female	65-69 years	SA	76	3970	90.7	3602	3602
Adelaide	Female	70-74 years	SA	76	3009	90.3	2716	2716
Adelaide	Female	75-79 years	SA	76	2156	88.5	1908	1908
Adelaide	Female	80-84 years	SA	76	1673	85.1	1423	1423

# Tidy Data

1. Each **variable** you measure should be in a single column

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	ID	LastName	FirstName	Sex	City	State	Occupation
2	1004	Smith	Jane	female	Frederick	MD	Welder
3	4587	Nayef	Mohammed	male	Upper Darby	PA	Nurse
4	1727	Doe	Janice	female	San Diego	CA	Doctor
5	6879	Jordan	Alex	male	Birmingham	AL	Teacher

2. Every **observation** of a variable should be in a different row

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3. There should be one table for each type of data

Demographic Survey Data

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	ID	LastName	FirstName	Sex	City	State	Occupation
2		1004	Smith	Jane	female	Frederick	MD
3		4587	Nayef	Mohammed	male	Upper Darby	PA
4		1727	Doe	Janice	female	San Diego	CA
5		6879	Jordan	Alex	male	Birmingham	AL

Doctor's Office Measurements Data

	A	D	E	F	G
1	ID	Height_inches	Weight_lbs	Insulin	Glucose
2	1004	65	180	0.60	163
3	4587	75	215	1.46	150
4	1727	62	124	0.72	177
5	6879	77	160	1.23	205

4. If you have multiple tables, they should include a column in each *with the same column label* that allows them to be joined or merged

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# Tidy data == rectangular data

**A**

	A	B	C	D	E
1	id	sex	glucose	insulin	triglyc
2	101	Male	134.1	0.60	273.4
3	102	Female	120.0	1.18	243.6
4	103	Male	124.8	1.23	297.6
5	104	Male	83.1	1.16	142.4
6	105	Male	105.2	0.73	215.7

# Tidy Data Benefits

1. Consistent data structure
2. Foster tool development
3. Require only a small set of tools to be learned
4. Allow for datasets to be combined

# Data Intuition



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?  
v=0YzvupOX8ls](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0YzvupOX8ls)

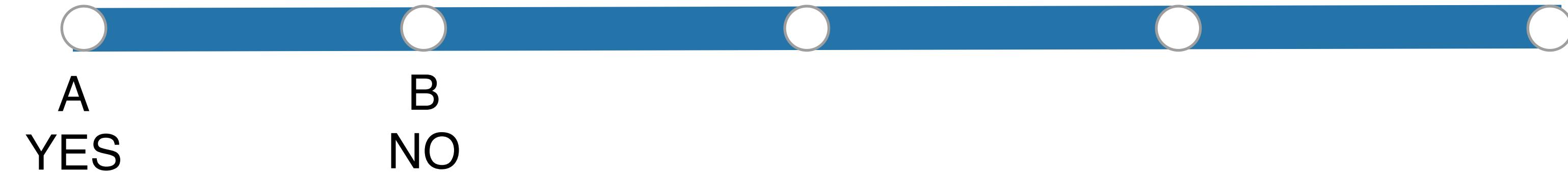
**Has humanity produced enough  
paint to cover the entire land area of  
the Earth?**

**—Josh (Bolton, MA)**



# Fermi Estimation

Has humanity produced enough paint to cover the entire land area of the Earth?



This answer is pretty straightforward. We can look up the size of the world's paint industry, extrapolate backward to figure out the total amount of paint produced. We'd also need to make some assumptions about how we're painting the ground. Note: When we get to the Sahara desert, I recommend not using a brush.



But first, let's think about different ways we might come up with a guess for what the answer will be. In this kind of thinking—often called **Fermi estimation**—all that matters is getting in the right ballpark; that is, the answer should have about the right number of digits. In Fermi estimation, you can round [1] all your answers to the nearest order of magnitude:



#### FACTS ABOUT ME

AGE: 10  
HEIGHT: 10 FEET  
NUMBER OF ARMS: 1  
NUMBER OF LEGS: 1  
TOTAL NUMBER OF LIMBS: 10  
AVERAGE DRIVING SPEED: 100 MPH

Let's suppose that, on average, everyone in the world is responsible for the existence of two rooms, and they're both painted. My living room has about 50 square meters of paintable area, and two of those would be 100 square meters. 7.15 billion people times 100 square meters per person is a little under a trillion square meters –an area smaller than Egypt.

NOT ENOUGH	EXACTLY ENOUGH	MORE THAN ENOUGH
/		

Let's make a wild guess that, on average, one person out of every thousand spends their working life painting things. If I assume it would take me three hours to paint the room I'm in,<sup>[2]</sup> and 100 billion people have ever lived, and each of them spent 30 years painting things for 8 hours a day, we come up with 150 trillion square meters ... just about exactly the land area of the Earth.

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How much paint does it take to paint a house? I'm not enough of an adult to have any idea, so let's take another Fermi guess.

Based on my impressions from walking down the aisles, home improvement stores stock about as many light bulbs as cans of paint. A normal house might have about 20 light bulbs, so let's assume a house needs about 20 gallons of paint.<sup>[3]</sup> Sure, that sounds about right.

The average US home costs about \$200,000. Assuming each gallon of paint covers about 300 square feet, that's a square meter of paint per \$300 of real estate. I vaguely remember that the world's real estate has a combined value of something like \$100 trillion,<sup>[4]</sup> which suggests there's about 300 billion square meters of paint on the world's real estate. That's about one New Mexico.

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Of course, both of the building-related guesses could be overestimates (lots of buildings are not painted) or underestimates (lots of things that are not buildings [5] are painted) But from these wild Fermi estimates, my guess would be that there probably isn't enough paint to cover all the land.

So, how did Fermi do?

According to the report [\*\*The State of the Global Coatings Industry\*\*](#), the world produced 34 billion liters of paints and coatings in 2012.

There's a neat trick that can help us here. If some quantity—say, the world economy—has been growing for a while at an annual rate of  $n$ —say, 3% (0.03)—then the most recent year's share of the whole total so far is  $1 - \frac{1}{1+n}$ , and the whole total so far is the most recent year's amount times  $1 + \frac{1}{n}$ .

If we assume paint production has, in recent decades, followed the economy and grown at about 3% per year, that means the total amount of paint produced equals the current yearly production times 34.<sup>[6]</sup> That comes out to a little over a trillion liters of paint. At 30 square meters per gallon,<sup>[7]</sup> that's enough to cover 9 trillion square meters—about the area of the United States.

So the answer is no; there's not enough paint to cover the Earth's land, and—at this rate—probably won't be enough until the year 2100.

# Data Intuition

1. Think about your question and your expectations
2. Do some Fermi calculations (back of the envelope calculations)
3. Write code & look at outputs <- think about those outputs
4. Use your gut instinct / background knowledge to guide you
5. Review code & fix bugs
6. Create test cases - “Sanity checks”

# What is data cleaning?

- Fixing/removing incorrect, corrupted, incorrectly formatted, duplicate, incomplete, data within a dataset
- Many issues combining data sources and types, researcher styles, standards, recording errors, etc

# Consequences of poorly cleaned data

- Unreliable outcomes and algorithms
- Difficult to detect these issues
- Biased results
- Failure to process algorithms (for example NaNs causing errors)

# Variability in cleaning

- There is no one process to clean data
- Varies from set to set, project to project, software to software
- But can establish a ‘template’ procedure/process of ‘check-offs’ to make sure you’ve done your best to address it

# Methods can be

- Interactive through ‘wrangling tools’
- Automated through scripts, programs or other software (batch processing)

On to today . . .

# A quick overview of one possible data cleaning process example

1. View your data (EDA) - commands ('print()', 'dataFrame.head()', 'dataFrame.shape')
2. Compute the missing proportions of data (NANs etc)
3. View each column data type, format, content
4. Check for trailing white spaces in text, eliminate characters that are irrelevant (punctuation, symbols, etc)
5. Explore if any columns need to be split or combined
6. Check uniqueness of values (sanity check)

To the notebook overview

# Visualization of neural data

- [https://mne.tools/stable/auto\\_tutorials/evoked/20\\_visualize\\_evoked.html](https://mne.tools/stable/auto_tutorials/evoked/20_visualize_evoked.html)
- [https://mne.tools/stable/auto\\_tutorials/inverse/70\\_eeg\\_mri\\_coords.html#sphx-glr-auto-tutorials-inverse-70-eeg-mri-coords-py](https://mne.tools/stable/auto_tutorials/inverse/70_eeg_mri_coords.html#sphx-glr-auto-tutorials-inverse-70-eeg-mri-coords-py)

# Outlier detection