

Week 2: *Tidy Data*

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Federal R&D Spending by Department

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 15
#>   year    DHS    DOC    DOD    DOE    DOT    EPA    HHS  Interior    NASA    NIH    NSF  Other    USD
#>   <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>    <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>
#> 1 1976      0    819  35696  10882   1142    968   9226     1152  12513   8025   2372   1191   183
#> 2 1977      0    837  37967  13741   1095    966   9507     1082  12553   8214   2395   1280   179
#> 3 1978      0    871  37022  15663   1156   1175  10533     1125  12516   8802   2446   1237   196
#> 4 1979      0    952  37174  15612   1004   1102  10127     1176  13079   9243   2404   2321   205
#> 5 1980      0    945  37005  15226   1048   903  10045     1082  13837   9093   2407   2468   188
#> 6 1981      0    829  41737  14798    978   901  9644      990  13276   8580   2300   1925   196
```

Federal R&D Spending by Department

"Wide" format

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 15
#>   year    DHS    DOC    DOD    DOE    DOT    EPA    HHS    Inte...
#>   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> ...
#> 1 1976     0    819  35696  10882   1142    968   9226
#> 2 1977     0    837  37967  13741   1095    966   9507
#> 3 1978     0    871  37022  15663   1156   1175  10533
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#> 5 1980     0    945  37005  15226   1048   903   10045
#> 6 1981     0    829  41737  14798    978   901   9644
```

"Long" format

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 3
#>   department    year rd_budget_mil
#>   <chr>        <dbl>      <dbl>
#> 1 DOD          1976      35696
#> 2 NASA         1976      12513
#> 3 DOE          1976      10882
#> 4 HHS          1976      9226
#> 5 NIH          1976      8025
#> 6 NSF          1976      2372
```

Federal R&D Spending by Department

"Wide" format

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 15
#>   year    DHS    DOC    DOD    DOE    DOT    EPA    HHS    Inte...
#>   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> ...
#> 1 1976     0    819  35696  10882   1142    968   9226
#> 2 1977     0    837  37967  13741   1095    966   9507
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#> 4 1979     0    952  37174  15612   1004   1102  10127
#> 5 1980     0    945  37005  15226   1048   903   10045
#> 6 1981     0    829  41737  14798    978   901   9644
```

```
#> [1] 42 15
```

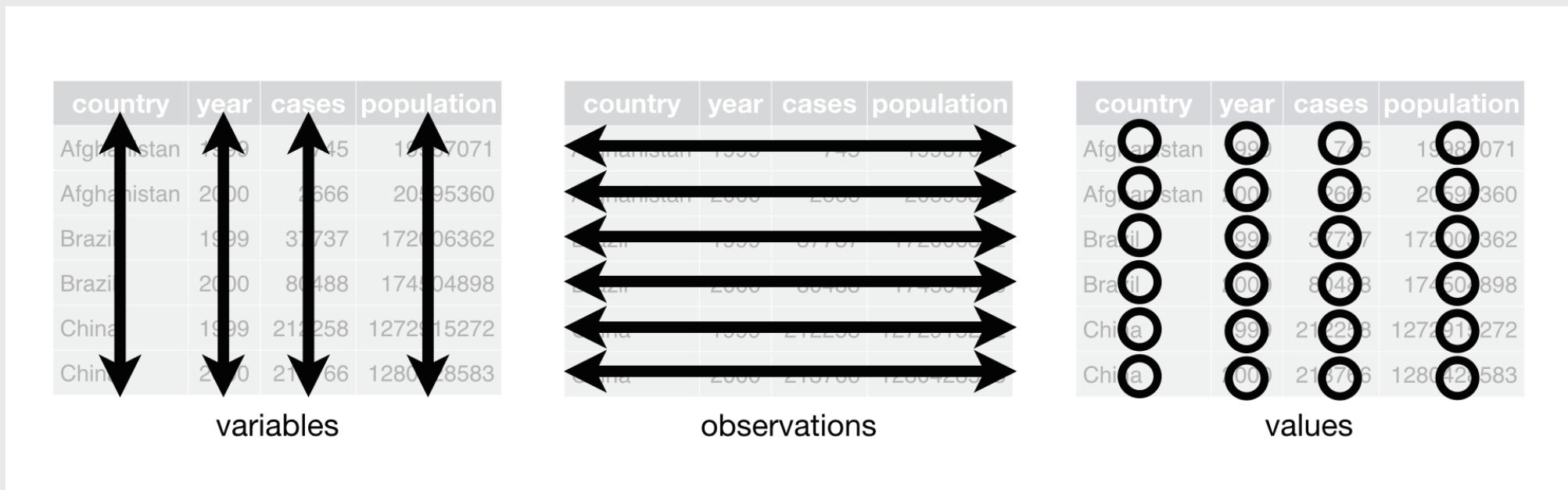
"Long" format

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 3
#>   department    year rd_budget_mil
#>   <chr>        <dbl>      <dbl>
#> 1 DOD          1976      35696
#> 2 NASA         1976      12513
#> 3 DOE          1976      10882
#> 4 HHS          1976      9226
#> 5 NIH          1976      8025
#> 6 NSF          1976      2372
```

```
#> [1] 588 3
```

Tidy data = "Long" format

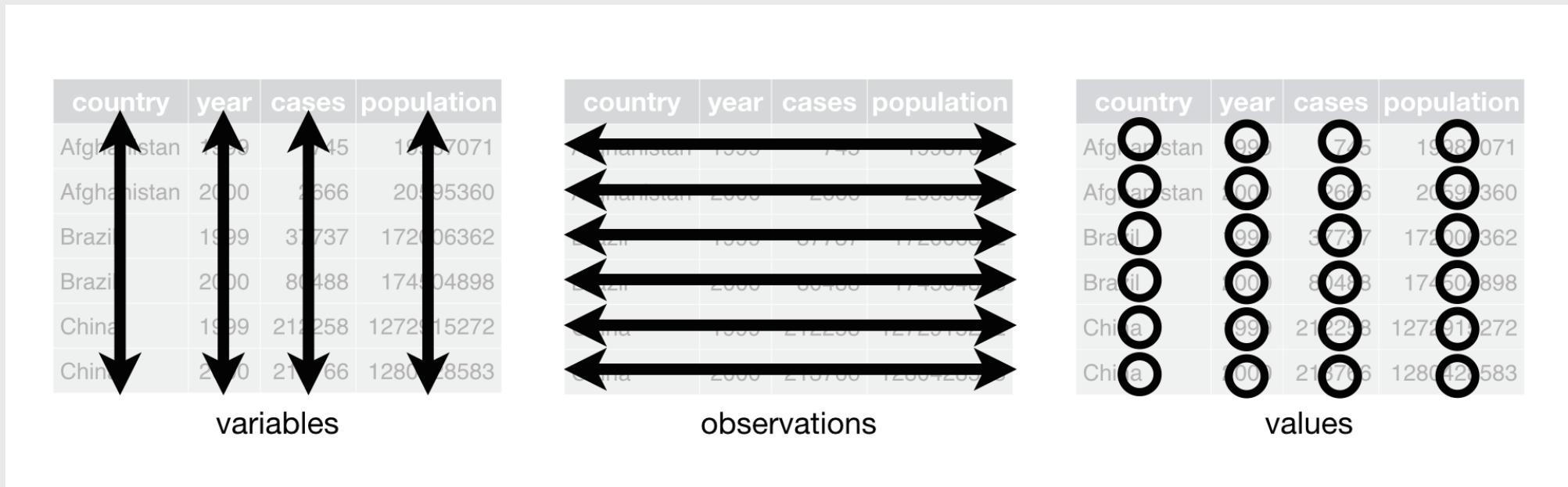
- Each **variable** has its own **column**
- Each **observation** has its own **row**



Tidy data

- Each **variable** has its own **column**
- Each **observation** has its own **row**

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 3
#>   department    year rd_budget_mil
#>   <chr>        <dbl>        <dbl>
#> 1 DOD          1976        35696
#> 2 NASA         1976        12513
#> 3 DOE          1976        10882
#> 4 HHS          1976        9226
#> 5 NIH          1976        8025
#> 6 NSF          1976        2372
```



"Long" format

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 3
#>   department  year rd_budget_mil
#>   <chr>      <dbl>     <dbl>
#> 1 DOD        1976     35696
#> 2 NASA       1976     12513
#> 3 DOE        1976     10882
#> 4 HHS        1976     9226
#> 5 NIH        1976     8025
#> 6 NSF        1976     2372
```

"Wide" format

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 15
#>   year    DHS    DOC    DOD    DOE    DOT    EPA    HHS    Inte
#>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <
#> 1 1976     0     819   35696  10882   1142    968   9226
#> 2 1977     0     837   37967  13741   1095    966   9507
#> 3 1978     0     871   37022  15663   1156   1175  10533
#> 4 1979     0     952   37174  15612   1004   1102  10127
#> 5 1980     0     945   37005  15226   1048   903   10045
#> 6 1981     0     829   41737  14798   978   901   9644
```

Do the names describe the values?

Yes: "Long" format

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 3
#>   department    year rd_budget_mil
#>   <chr>        <dbl>      <dbl>
#> 1 DOD          1976      35696
#> 2 NASA         1976      12513
#> 3 DOE          1976      10882
#> 4 HHS          1976      9226
#> 5 NIH          1976      8025
#> 6 NSF          1976      2372
```

No: "Wide" format

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 8
#>   year    DHS    DOC    DOD    DOE    DOT    EPA    HHS
#>   <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>
#> 1 1976     0    819  35696  10882   1142    968   9226
#> 2 1977     0    837  37967  13741   1095    966   9507
#> 3 1978     0    871  37022  15663   1156   1175  10533
#> 4 1979     0    952  37174  15612   1004   1102  10127
#> 5 1980     0    945  37005  15226   1048   903   10045
#> 6 1981     0    829  41737  14798    978   901   9644
```

Quick practice 1: "long" or "wide" format?

Description: Tuberculosis cases in various countries

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 4
#>   country      year    cases  population
#>   <chr>        <dbl>    <dbl>        <dbl>
#> 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
```

Quick practice 2: "long" or "wide" format?

Description: Word counts in LOTR trilogy

```
#> # A tibble: 9 × 4
#>   Film          Race  Female  Male
#>   <chr>        <chr>  <dbl>  <dbl>
#> 1 The Fellowship Of The Ring Elf     1229    971
#> 2 The Fellowship Of The Ring Hobbit   14     3644
#> 3 The Fellowship Of The Ring Man      0     1995
#> 4 The Return Of The King   Elf     183     510
#> 5 The Return Of The King   Hobbit   2     2673
#> 6 The Return Of The King   Man     268     2459
#> 7 The Two Towers        Elf     331     513
#> 8 The Two Towers        Hobbit   0     2463
#> 9 The Two Towers        Man     401     3589
```

Quick practice 3: "long" or "wide" format?

Description: Word counts in LOTR trilogy

```
#> # A tibble: 15 × 4
#>   Film          Race  Gender Word_Count
#>   <chr>        <chr> <chr>    <dbl>
#> 1 The Fellowship Of The Ring Elf   Female     1229
#> 2 The Fellowship Of The Ring Elf   Male      971
#> 3 The Fellowship Of The Ring Hobbit Female     14
#> 4 The Fellowship Of The Ring Hobbit Male      3644
#> 5 The Fellowship Of The Ring Man   Female      0
#> 6 The Fellowship Of The Ring Man   Male      1995
#> 7 The Return Of The King   Elf   Female     183
#> 8 The Return Of The King   Elf   Male       510
#> 9 The Return Of The King   Hobbit Female      2
#> 10 The Return Of The King  Hobbit Male      2673
#> 11 The Return Of The King  Man   Female     268
#> 12 The Return Of The King  Man   Male      2459
#> 13 The Two Towers        Elf   Female     331
#> 14 The Two Towers        Elf   Male       513
#> 15 The Two Towers        Hobbit Female      0
```

Reshaping data with `pivot_longer()` and `pivot_wider()`

Reshaping data

`pivot_longer()`
`pivot_wider()`

wide

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

From "long" to "wide" with `pivot_wider()`

long			wide		
id	key	val	id	x	y
1	x	a	1	a	c
2	x	b			
1	y	c	2	b	d
2	y	d			
1	z	e	2	e	f
2	z	f			

From "long" to "wide" with `pivot_wider()`

```
head(fed_spend_long)
```

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 3
#>   department    year rd_budget_mil
#>   <chr>        <dbl>      <dbl>
#> 1 DOD          1976     35696
#> 2 NASA         1976     12513
#> 3 DOE          1976     10882
#> 4 HHS          1976      9226
#> 5 NIH          1976      8025
#> 6 NSF          1976      2372
```

```
fed_spend_wide <- fed_spend_long %>%
  pivot_wider(
    names_from = department,
    values_from = rd_budget_mil)
```

```
head(fed_spend_wide)
```

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 15
#>   year    DOD    NASA    DOE    HHS    NIH    NSF
#>   <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <
#> 1 1976  35696  12513  10882  9226  8025  2372
#> 2 1977  37967  12553  13741  9507  8214  2395
#> 3 1978  37022  12516  15663  10533  8802  2446
#> 4 1979  37174  13079  15612  10127  9243  2404
#> 5 1980  37005  13837  15226  10045  9093  2407
#> 6 1981  41737  13276  14798  9644  8580  2300
```

From "wide" to "long" with `pivot_longer()`

wide				long		
id	x	y	z	key	val	
1	a	c	e			
2	b	d	f			

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

From "wide" to "long" with `pivot_longer()`

```
head(fed_spend_wide)
```

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 15
#>   year    DOD    NASA    DOE    HHS    NI
#>   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 1976  35696 12513 10882  9226  802
#> 2 1977  37967 12553 13741  9507  821
#> 3 1978  37022 12516 15663  10533 880
#> 4 1979  37174 13079 15612  10127 924
#> 5 1980  37005 13837 15226  10045 909
#> 6 1981  41737 13276 14798  9644  858
```

```
fed_spend_long <- fed_spend_wide %>%
  pivot_longer(
    names_to = "department",
    values_to = "rd_budget_mil",
    cols = DOD:Other)
```

```
head(fed_spend_long)
```

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 3
#>   year department rd_budget_mil
#>   <dbl> <chr>           <dbl>
#> 1 1976  DOD            35696
#> 2 1976  NASA           12513
#> 3 1976  DOE            10882
#> 4 1976  HHS            9226
#> 5 1976  NIH            8025
#> 6 1976  NSF            2372
```

Can also set `cols` by selecting which columns *not* to use

```
names(fed_spend_wide)
```

```
#> [1] "year"      "DOD"       "NASA"
```

```
fed_spend_long <- fed_spend_wide %>%  
  pivot_longer(  
    names_to = "department",  
    values_to = "rd_budget_mil",  
    cols = -year)
```

```
head(fed_spend_long)
```

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 3  
#>   year department rd_budget_mil  
#>   <dbl> <chr>          <dbl>  
#> 1 1976 DOD            35696  
#> 2 1976 NASA           12513  
#> 3 1976 DOE            10882  
#> 4 1976 HHS             9226  
#> 5 1976 NIH             8025  
#> 6 1976 NSF             2372
```

15:00

Your turn: Reshaping Data

Open the `practice.Rmd` file.

Run the code chunk to read in the following two data files:

- `pv_cell_production.xlsx`: Data on solar photovoltaic cell production by country
- `milk_production.csv`: Data on milk production by state

Now modify the format of each:

- If the data are in "wide" format, convert it to "long" with `pivot_longer()`
- If the data are in "long" format, convert it to "wide" with `pivot_wider()`

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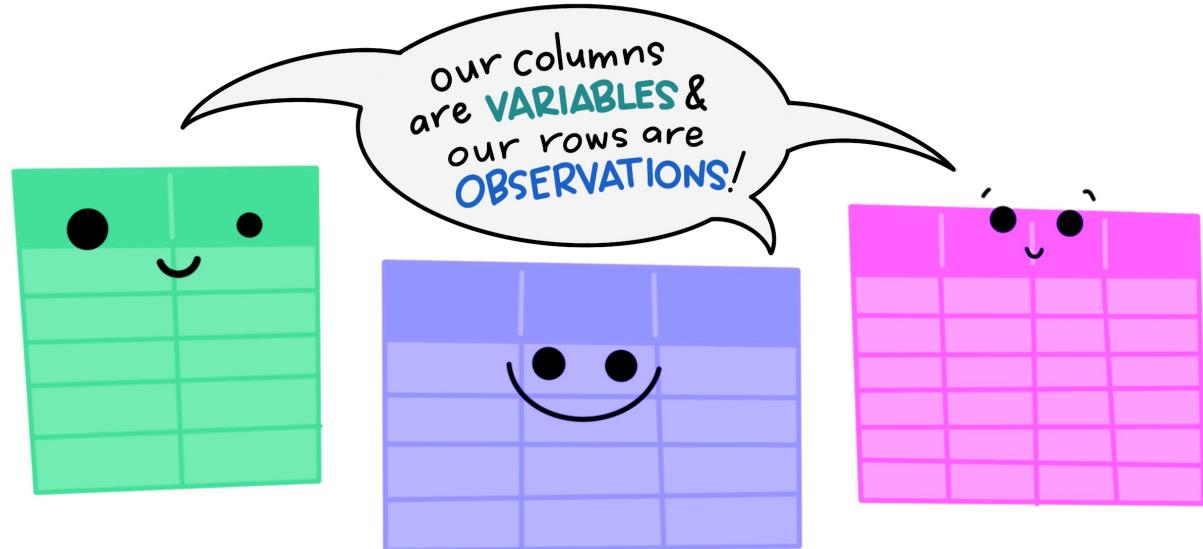
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Why do we need tidy data?

(a quick explanation with cute graphics, by [Allison Horst](#))

The standard structure of
tidy data means that
“tidy datasets are all alike...”

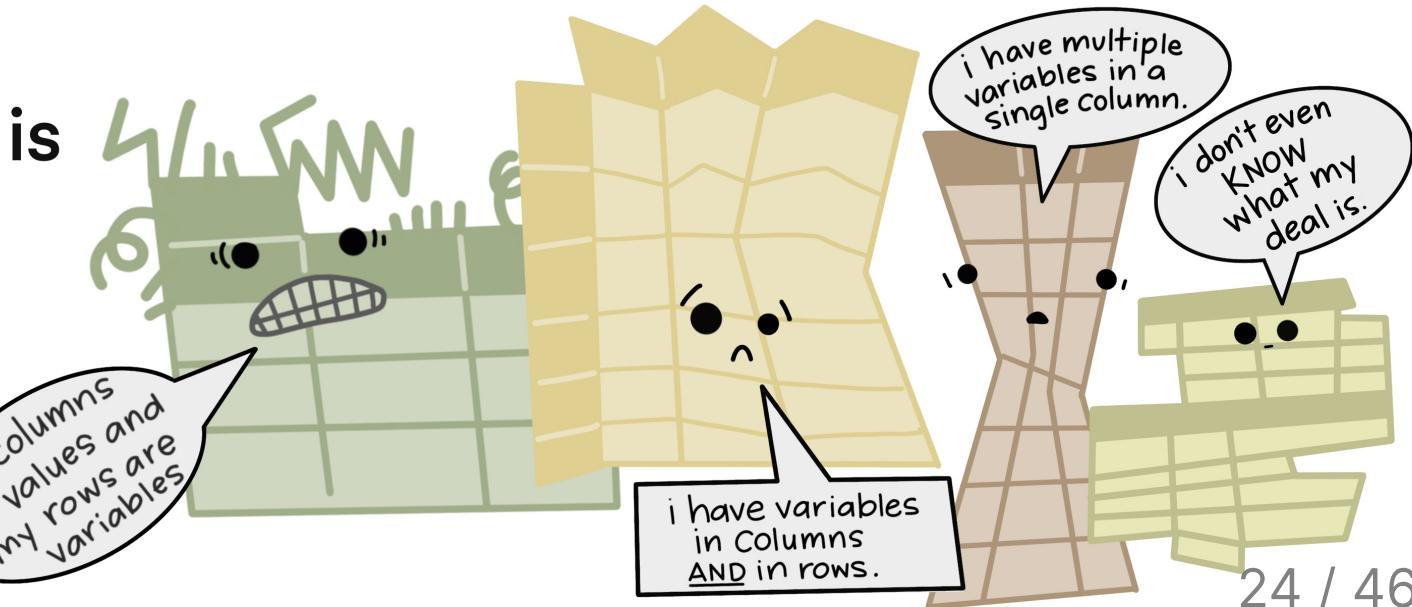


“...but every messy dataset is
messy in its own way.”

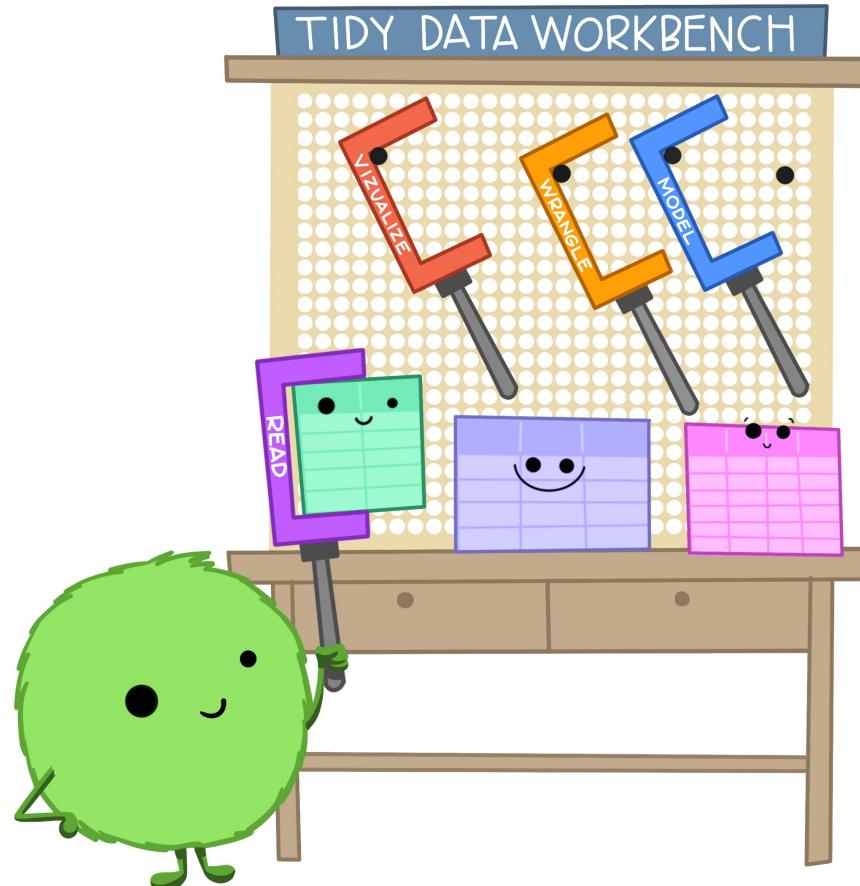
-HADLEY WICKHAM



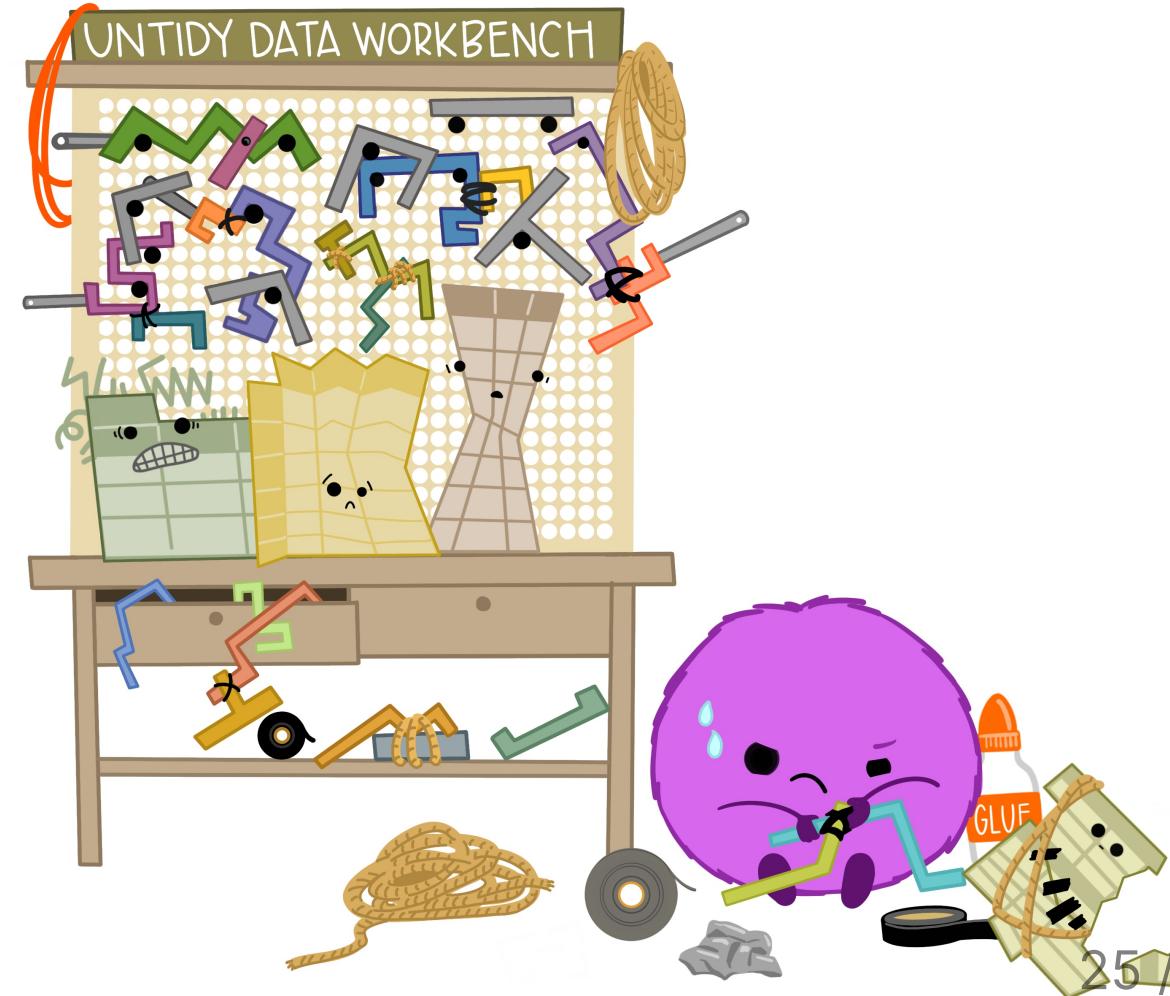
my columns
are values and
my rows are
variables

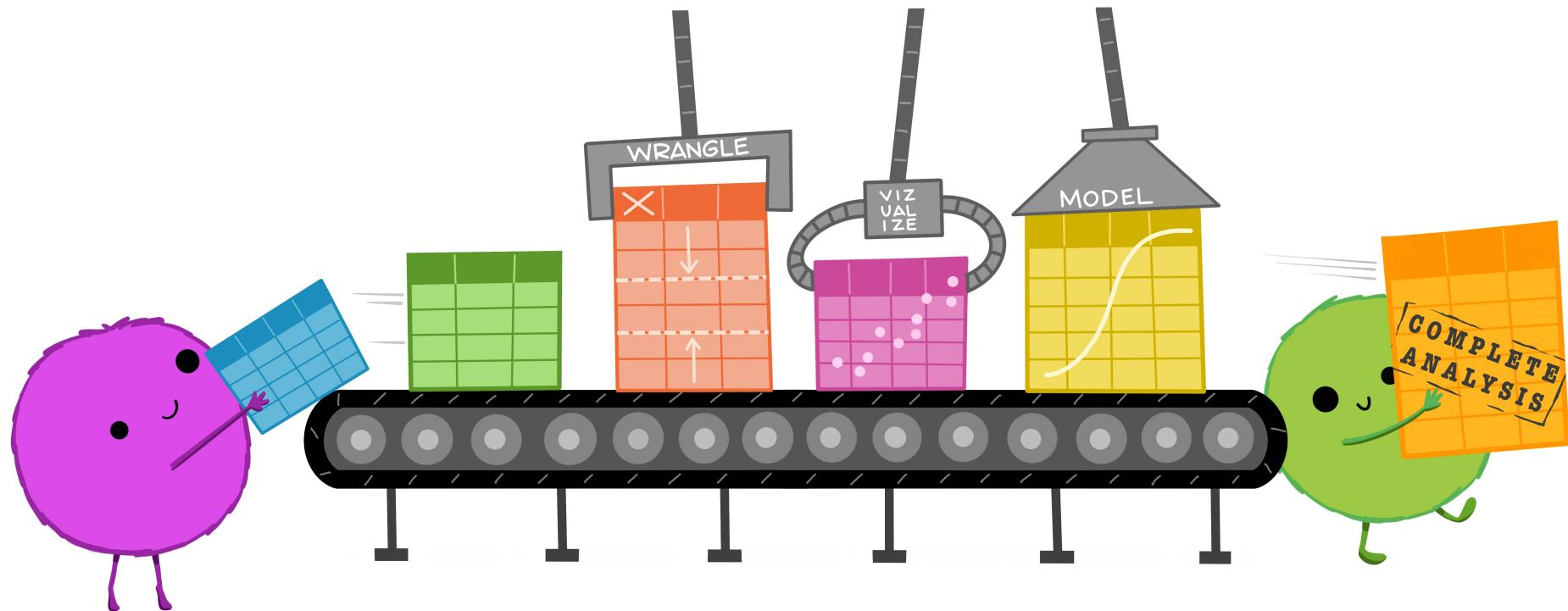


When working with tidy data,
we can use the **same tools** in
similar ways for different datasets...



...but working with untidy data often means
reinventing the wheel with **one-time**
approaches that are hard to iterate or reuse.





Tidy data wrangling

Compute the total R&D spending in each year

```
head(fed_spend_wide)
```

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 15
#>   year    DOD    NASA    DOE    HHS    NIH    NSF    USDA Interior    DOT    EPA    DOC    DHS    V
#>   <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 1976  35696  12513  10882  9226  8025  2372  1837     1152  1142  968  819  0  40
#> 2 1977  37967  12553  13741  9507  8214  2395  1796     1082  1095  966  837  0  37
#> 3 1978  37022  12516  15663  10533  8802  2446  1962     1125  1156  1175  871  0  35
#> 4 1979  37174  13079  15612  10127  9243  2404  2054     1176  1004  1102  952  0  35
#> 5 1980  37005  13837  15226  10045  9093  2407  1887     1082  1048  903  945  0  35
#> 6 1981  41737  13276  14798  9644  8580  2300  1964      990  978  901  829  0  38
```

Tidy data wrangling

Compute the total R&D spending in each year

Approach 1: Create new `total` by adding each variable

```
fed_spend_wide %>%
  mutate(total = DHS + DOC + DOD + DOE + DOT + EPA + HHS + Interior + NASA + NIH + NSF + OMB)
  select(year, total)
```

```
#> # A tibble: 42 × 2
#>   year    total
#>   <dbl>    <dbl>
#> 1 1976  86227
#> 2 1977  91807
#> 3 1978  94864
#> 4 1979  96601
#> 5 1980  96305
#> 6 1981  98304
#> 7 1982  95448
#> 8 1983  95010
```

Tidy data wrangling

Compute the total R&D spending by department in each year

Approach 2: Reshape first, then summarise

```
fed_spend_long <- fed_spend_wide %>%
  pivot_longer(
    names_to = "department",
    values_to = "rd_budget_mil",
    cols = -year)

head(fed_spend_long)
```

```
fed_spend_long %>%
  group_by(year) %>%
  summarise(total = sum(rd_budget_mil))
```

```
#> # A tibble: 42 × 2
#>   year  total
#>   <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 1976  86227
#> 2 1977  91807
#> 3 1978  94864
#> 4 1979  96601
#> 5 1980  96305
#> 6 1981  98304
#> 7 1982  95448
#> 8 1983  95010
```

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 3
#>   year department rd_budget_mil
#>   <dbl> <chr>           <dbl>
#> 1 1976 DOD            35696
#> 2 1976 NASA           12513
#> 3 1976 DOE            10882
#> 4 1976 HHS            9226
```

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Compute the total R&D spending by department in each year

Approach 2: Reshape first, then summarise

```
total <- fed_spend_wide %>%
  pivot_longer(
    names_to = "department",
    values_to = "rd_budget_mil",
    cols = -year) %>%
  group_by(year) %>%
  summarise(total = sum(rd_budget_mil))
```

```
head(total)
```

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 2
#>   year  total
#>   <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 1976 86227
#> 2 1977 91807
#> 3 1978 94864
#> 4 1979 96601
#> 5 1980 96305
#> 6 1981 98304
```

15:00

Your turn: Tidy Data Wrangling

Open the `practice.Rmd` file.

Run the code chunk to read in the following two data files:

- `gapminder.csv`: Life expectancy in different countries over time
- `gdp.csv`: GDP of different countries over time

Now convert the data into a tidy (long) structure, then create the following summary data frames:

- Mean life expectancy in each year.
- Mean GDP in each year.

Break

05 : 00

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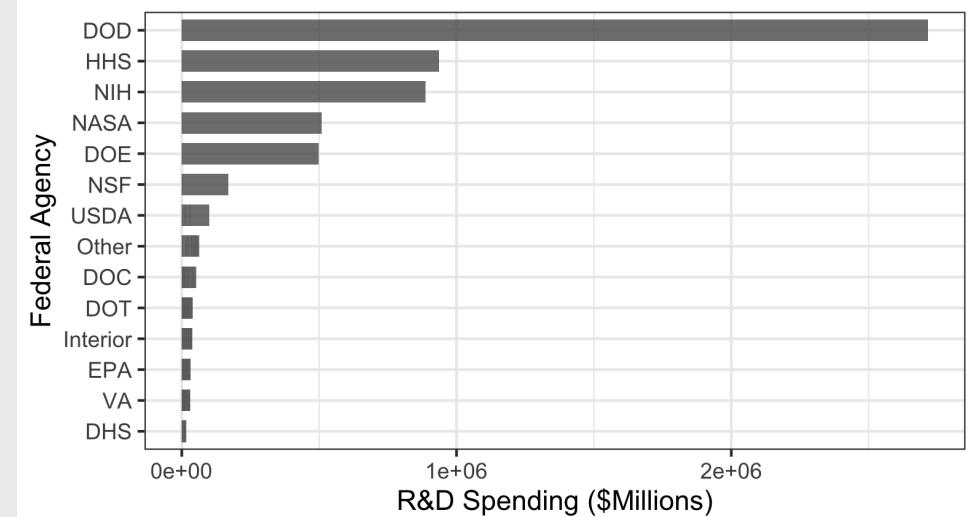
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Tidy data vizualization

Make a bar chart of total R&D spending by agency

```
head(fed_spend_wide)
```

```
#> # A tibble: 6 × 15
#>   year    DOD    NASA    DOE    HHS    NIH    NSF
#>   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <
#> 1 1976 35696 12513 10882 9226 8025 2372
#> 2 1977 37967 12553 13741 9507 8214 2395
#> 3 1978 37022 12516 15663 10533 8802 2446
#> 4 1979 37174 13079 15612 10127 9243 2404
#> 5 1980 37005 13837 15226 10045 9093 2407
#> 6 1981 41737 13276 14798 9644 8580 2300
```

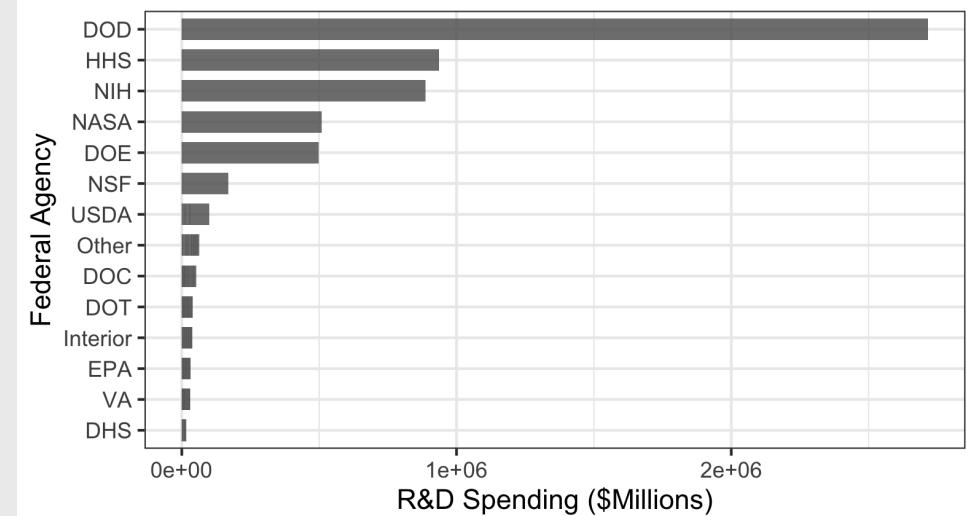


Tidy data vizualization

Make a bar chart of total R&D spending by agency

```
ggplot(fed_spend_wide) +  
  geom_col(aes(x = rd_budget_mil, y = department))  
  theme_bw() +  
  labs(  
    x = "R&D Spending ($Millions)",  
    y = "Federal Agency"  
)
```

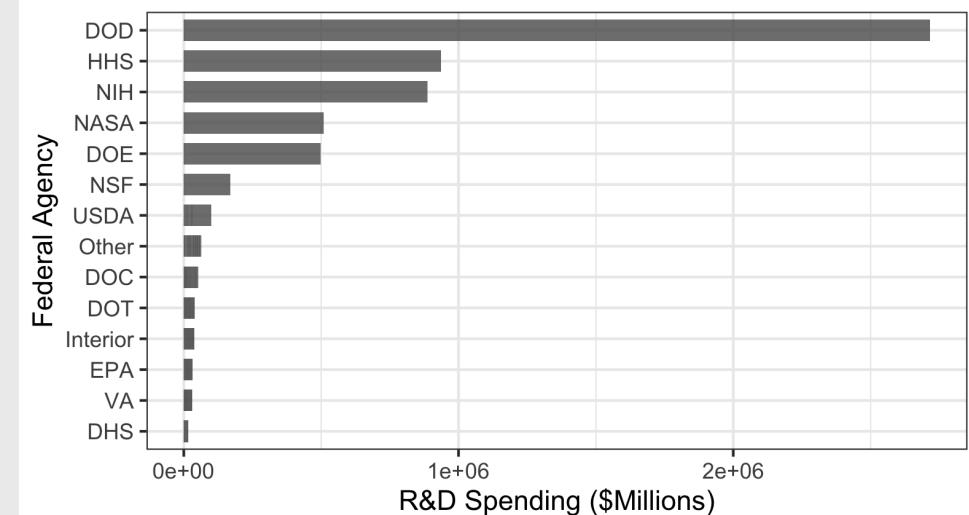
```
#> Error in FUN(X[[i]], ...): object 'rd_budget_
```



Tidy data vizualization

Make a bar chart of total R&D spending by agency

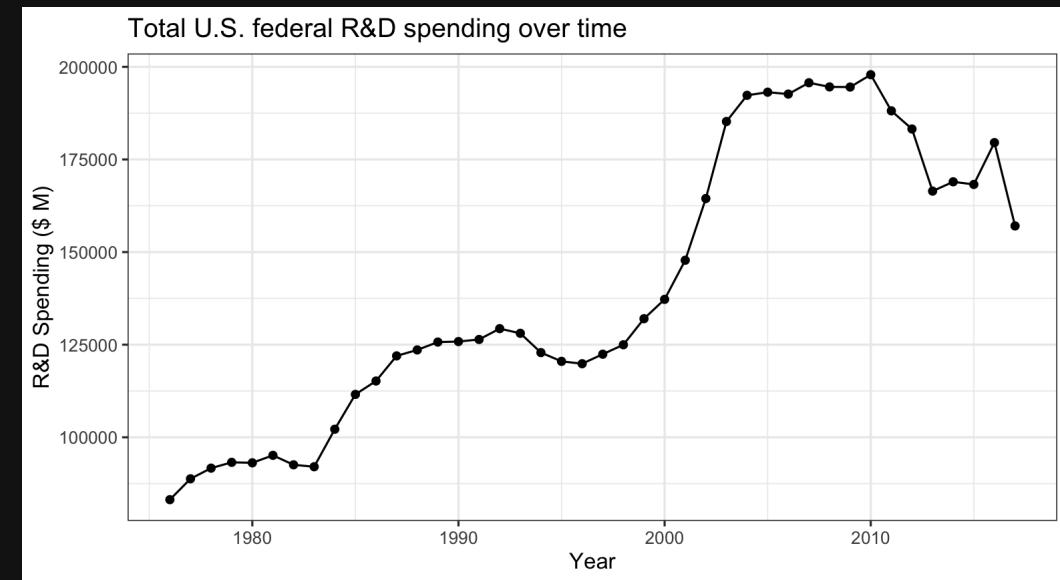
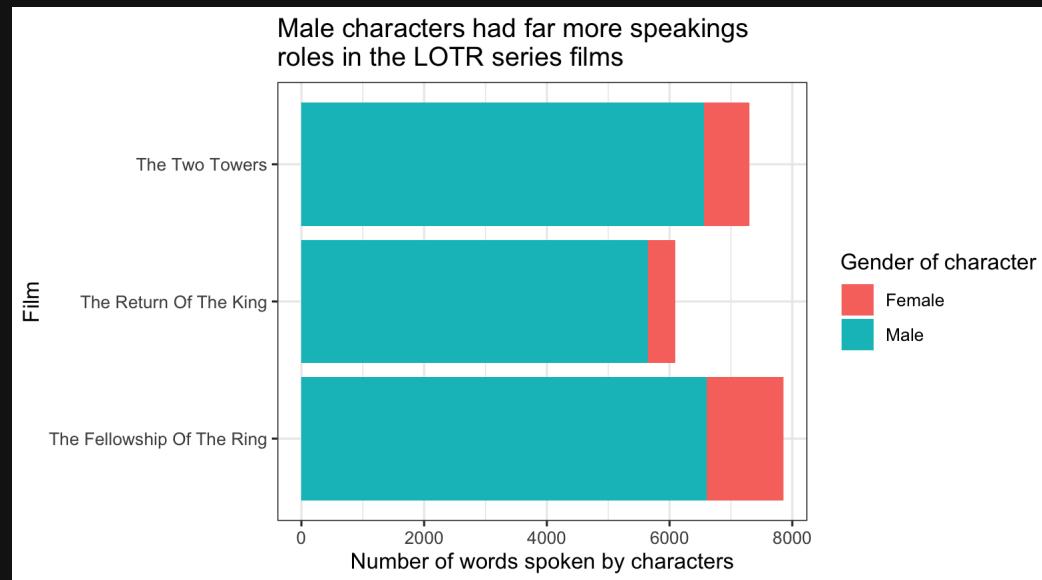
```
fed_spend_wide %>%  
  pivot_longer(  
    names_to = "department",  
    values_to = "rd_budget_mil",  
    cols = -year) %>%  
  
  ggplot() +  
    geom_col(aes(x = rd_budget_mil, y = department))  
  theme_bw() +  
  labs(  
    x = "R&D Spending ($Millions)",  
    y = "Federal Agency"  
)
```



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Your turn: Tidy Data Visualization

Run the code chunk to read in the two data files, then convert the data into a tidy (long) structure to create the following charts:



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Data provenance - It matters where you get your data

Validity:

- Is this data trustworthy? Is it authentic?
- Where did the data come from?
- How has the data been changed / managed over time?
- Is the data complete?

Comprehension:

- Is this data accurate?
- Can you explain your results?
- Is this the right data to answer your question?

Reproducibility:

- I should be able to fully replicate your results from your raw data and code.

Q Document your source like a museum curator

Example: View `README.md` file in the `data` folder

Whenever you download data, you should **at a minimum** record the following:

- The name of the file you are describing.
- The date you downloaded it.
- The original name of the downloaded file (in case you renamed it).
- The url to the site you downloaded it from.
- The source of the *original* data (sometimes different from the site you downloaded it from).
- A short description of the data, maybe how they were collected (if available).
- A dictionary for the data (e.g. a simple markdown table describing each variable).

10:00

Your turn

Documentation in the "data/README.md" file is missing for the following data sets:

- `wildlife_impacts.csv`: [source](#)
- `north_america_bear_killings.txt`: [source](#)
- `uspto_clean_energy_patents.xlsx`: [source](#)

Go to the above sites and add the following information to the "data/README.md" file:

- The name of the downloaded file.
- The web address to the site you downloaded the data from.
- The source of the *original* data (if different from the website).
- A short description of the data and how they were collected.
- A dictionary for the data (hint: the site might already have this!).

Week 2: *Tidy Data*

1. Tidy Data
2. Tidy Data Wrangling
- BREAK
3. Tidy Data Visualization
4. Data Provenance & Curation
5. Writing a Research Question

Writing a research question

Follow [these guidelines](#) - your question should be:

- **Clear:** your audience can easily understand its purpose without additional explanation.
- **Focused:** it is narrow enough that it can be addressed thoroughly with the data available and within the limits of the final project report.
- **Concise:** it is expressed in the fewest possible words.
- **Complex:** it is not answerable with a simple "yes" or "no," but rather requires synthesis and analysis of data.
- **Arguable:** its potential answers are open to debate rather than accepted facts (do others care about it?)

Writing a research question

Bad question: Why are social networking sites harmful?

- Unclear: it does not specify *which* social networking sites or state what harm is being caused; assumes that "harm" exists.

Improved question: How are online users experiencing or addressing privacy issues on social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter?

- Specifies the sites (Facebook and Twitter), type of harm (privacy issues), and who is harmed (online users).

Writing a research question

Example from previous classes:

- **Genders in the Workforce:** How has the US gender wage gap changed over time for different occupations and age groups?
- **NFL Suspensions:** What factors contribute to the severity of disciplinary actions towards NFL players from 2002-2014?

Other good examples: See the [Example Projects Page](#) page

Use [this link](#) to start forming teams