# Joining data from multiple sources

DATA 202 21FA, based on datasciencebox.org



#### What does %in% do?

■ Don't confuse with %>% or ==

```
nobel %>% filter(country == c("USA", "France"))
```

#### (doesn't work!)

```
nobel %>% filter(country %in% c("USA", "France"))
```

```
# A tibble: 388 × 26
    id firstname surname
                         year category affiliation city
 <dbl> <chr> <dbl> <chr>
                      <dbl> <chr> <dbl> <chr>
                                                         <chr>
     4 Henri Becquerel 1903 Physics
                                         École Polytech... Paris
1
     5 Pierre Curie
                           1903 Physics
                                         École municipa… Paris
  6 Marie Curie
                           1911 Chemistry Sorbonne Unive... Paris
    11 Albert A. Michelson
                           1907 Physics University of ... Chic...
5
    12 Gabriel Lippmann
                           1908 Physics Sorbonne Unive... Paris
    14 Ferdinand Braun
                           1909 Physics
                                         Strasbourg Uni... Stra...
```



How do I remember all this syntax and keep everything straight?

It takes work. But you can do it. Tips:

- Don't "just make it work".
- Understand why something works (explain it!)
- Try out variations!

### Data: Women in science

Information on 10 women in science who changed the world

#### name

Ada Lovelace

Marie Curie

Janaki Ammal

Chien-Shiung Wu

Katherine Johnson

**Rosalind Franklin** 

Vera Rubin

**Gladys West** 

Flossie Wong-Staal

Jennifer Doudna

Source: Discover Magazine

### **Inputs**

professions dates notability

#### professions

```
# A tibble: 10 \times 2
                      profession
   name
   <chr>
                      <chr>
 1 Ada Lovelace
                      Mathematician
                      Physicist and Chemist
 2 Marie Curie
                      Botanist
 3 Janaki Ammal
 4 Chien-Shiung Wu
                  Physicist
 5 Katherine Johnson Mathematician
 6 Rosalind Franklin Chemist
 7 Vera Rubin
                  Astronomer
 8 Gladys West
                      Mathematician
 9 Flossie Wong-Staal Virologist and Molecular Biologist
10 Jennifer Doudna
                      Biochemist
```

### **Desired output**

```
# A tibble: 10 \times 5
                        profession birth_year death_year known_for
   name
                                                       <int> <chr>
   <chr>
                        <chr>>
                                           <int>
 1 Ada Lovelace
                        Mathematic...
                                                          NA first co...
                                              NΑ
 2 Marie Curie
                        Physicist ...
                                                          NA theory o...
                                              NΑ
 3 Janaki Ammal
                        Botanist
                                                        1984 hybrid s...
                                            1897
 4 Chien-Shiung Wu
                        Physicist
                                                        1997 confim a...
                                            1912
 5 Katherine Johnson
                        Mathematic...
                                                        2020 calculat...
                                            1918
 6 Rosalind Franklin
                        Chemist
                                            1920
                                                        1958 <NA>
 7 Vera Rubin
                                                        2016 existenc...
                        Astronomer
                                            1928
                        Mathematic...
                                                          NA mathemat...
 8 Gladys West
                                            1930
 9 Flossie Wong-Staal Virologist...
                                                          NA first sc...
                                            1947
10 Jennifer Doudna
                        Biochemist
                                            1964
                                                          NA one of t...
```

# First try: paste them together

name	profession	known_for
Ada Lovelace	Mathematician	first computer algorithm
Marie Curie	Physicist and Chemist	confim and refine theory of radioactive beta decy, Wu experiment overturning theory of parity
Janaki Ammal	Botanist	first scientist to clone HIV and create a map of its genes which led to a test for the virus
Chien- Shiung Wu	Physicist	mathematical modeling of the shape of the Earth which served as the foundation of GPS technology
Katherine Johnson	Mathematician	hybrid species, biodiversity protection
Rosalind Franklin	Chemist	one of the primary developers of CRISPR, a ground- breaking technology for editing genomes
Vera Rubin	Astronomer	calculations of orbital mechanics critical to sending the first Americans into space
Gladys	Mathematician	theory of radioactivity, discovery of elements

# What was wrong?

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How do we know which rows match up?

# What was wrong?

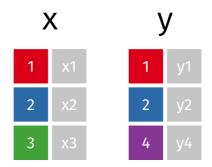
How do we know which rows match up?

Need a **key**.

What can serve as a **key** for this data?

# Mutating joins

- I have a data frame x
- I want extra information about things in ×
- Some other table, y, has that information.
- A "join" lets me look it up.



Graphics thanks to tidyexplain

# Types of joins

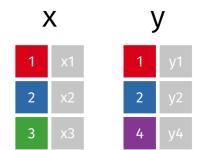
If x and y match up one-to-one, no difference.

What to do when things don't exactly line up?

- full or outer join: Leave blanks (NA) for mismatches
- inner join: Drop rows with any mismatches
- left / right join: Drop rows where one of the sides has a mismatch

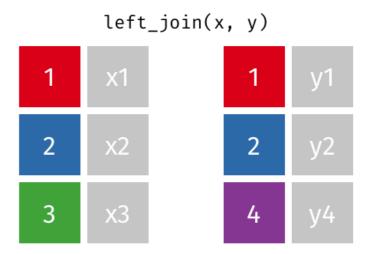
# Setup

```
X
# A tibble: 3 \times 2
    key xdata
  <dbl> <chr>
     1 x1
2 2 x2
3 3 x3
У
# A tibble: 3 \times 2
    key ydata
  <dbl> <chr>
      1 y1
1
  2 y2
      4 y4
```



# left\_join()

All rows from x.



# left\_join()

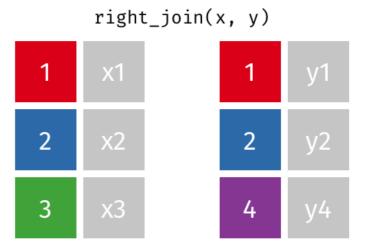
professions %>%

left\_join(dates)

#	A tibble: 10 × 4			
	name	profession	birth_year	death_year
	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<int></int>
	1 Ada Lovelace	Mathematician	NA	NA
•	2 Marie Curie	Physicist and Chemist	NA	NA
•	3 Janaki Ammal	Botanist	1897	1984
4	4 Chien-Shiung Wu	Physicist	1912	1997
,	5 Katherine Johnson	Mathematician	1918	2020
	6 Rosalind Franklin	Chemist	1920	1958
	7 Vera Rubin	Astronomer	1928	2016
	3 Gladys West	Mathematician	1930	NA
	9 Flossie Wong-Staal	Virologist and Molec	1947	NA
10	D Jennifer Doudna	Biochemist	1964	NA

# right\_join()

All rows from y.



# right\_join()

professions %>%
 right\_join(dates)

#	A tibble: 8 × 4			
	name	profession	birth_year	death_year
	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<int></int>
1	Janaki Ammal	Botanist	1897	1984
2	Chien-Shiung Wu	Physicist	1912	1997
3	Katherine Johnson	Mathematician	1918	2020
4	Rosalind Franklin	Chemist	1920	1958
5	Vera Rubin	Astronomer	1928	2016
6	Gladys West	Mathematician	1930	NA
7	Flossie Wong-Staal	Virologist and Mole	cu 1947	NA
8	Jennifer Doudna	Biochemist	1964	NA

# full\_join()

All rows from both  $\times$  and y. Leave NA for mismatches.

# full\_join()

dates %>%

full\_join(notability)

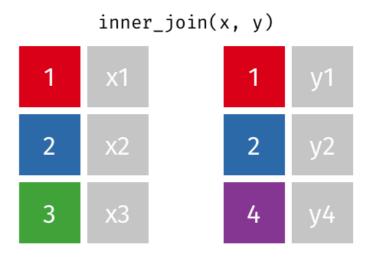
# A tibble: 10 × 4					
	name	birth_year	death_year	known_for	
	<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<int></int>	<chr></chr>	
1	Janaki Ammal	1897	1984	hybrid species, biod	
2	Chien-Shiung Wu	1912	1997	confim and refine th	
3	Katherine Johnson	1918	2020	calculations of orbi	
4	Rosalind Franklin	1920	1958	<na></na>	
5	Vera Rubin	1928	2016	existence of dark ma	
6	Gladys West	1930	NA	mathematical modelin	
7	Flossie Wong-Staal	1947	NA	first scientist to c	
8	Jennifer Doudna	1964	NA	one of the primary d	
9	Ada Lovelace	NA	NA	first computer algor	
10	Marie Curie	NA	NA	theory of radioactiv	

# inner\_join()

All matching rows. Drops mismatches.

```
inner_join(x, y, by = "key")

# A tibble: 2 × 3
    key xdata ydata
    <dbl> <chr> <chr>
1     1 x1     y1
2     2 x2     y2
```



# inner\_join()

```
dates %>%
```

#### inner\_join(notability)

```
# A tibble: 7 \times 4
                      birth_year death_year known_for
  name
                                       <int> <chr>
  <chr>
                           <int>
1 Janaki Ammal
                             1897
                                        1984 hybrid species, biodi...
                                        1997 confim and refine the...
2 Chien-Shiung Wu
                            1912
3 Katherine Johnson
                            1918
                                        2020 calculations of orbit...
4 Vera Rubin
                            1928
                                        2016 existence of dark mat...
5 Gladys West
                            1930
                                          NA mathematical modeling...
6 Flossie Wong-Staal
                            1947
                                          NA first scientist to cl...
7 Jennifer Doudna
                            1964
                                          NA one of the primary de...
```

# **Summary of Mutating Joins**

- full\_join(): all rows from both x and y
- inner\_join(): all matching rows from x where there are matching values in y.
- left\_join():all rows from x
- right\_join():all rows from y

Multiple matches? Return all combinations.

We want to get the dates and works of all the scientists. Which join function should we use?

# A tibble: 10 × 5					
	name	profession	birth_year	death_year	known_for
	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<int></int>	<chr></chr>
1	Ada Lovelace	Mathematic	NA	NA	first co
2	Marie Curie	Physicist	NA	NA	theory o
3	Janaki Ammal	Botanist	1897	1984	hybrid s
4	Chien-Shiung Wu	Physicist	1912	1997	confim a
5	Katherine Johnson	Mathematic	1918	2020	calculat
6	Rosalind Franklin	Chemist	1920	1958	<na></na>
7	Vera Rubin	Astronomer	1928	2016	existenc
8	Gladys West	Mathematic	1930	NA	mathemat
9	Flossie Wong-Staal	Virologist…	1947	NA	first sc
10	Jennifer Doudna	Biochemist	1964	NA	one of t

```
names(professions)
                                   nrow(professions)
[1] "name"
                "profession"
                                  \lceil 1 \rceil 10
names(dates)
                                   nrow(dates)
                "birth_year" "
[1] "name"
                               [1] 8
names(notability)
                                   nrow(notability)
[1] "name"
               "known_for"
                                  [1] 9
```

```
professions %>%
  left_join(dates) %>%
  left_join(notability)
```

```
# A tibble: 10 \times 5
                        profession birth_year death_year known_for
   name
   <chr>
                        <chr>
                                           <int>
                                                       <int> <chr>
                                                          NA first co...
 1 Ada Lovelace
                        Mathematic...
                                              NΑ
 2 Marie Curie
                        Physicist ...
                                              NΑ
                                                          NA theory o...
                        Botanist
 3 Janaki Ammal
                                                        1984 hybrid s...
                                            1897
                                                        1997 confim a...
 4 Chien-Shiung Wu
                        Physicist
                                            1912
                        Mathematic...
 5 Katherine Johnson
                                                        2020 calculat...
                                            1918
 6 Rosalind Franklin Chemist
                                            1920
                                                        1958 <NA>
 7 Vera Rubin
                                                        2016 existenc...
                        Astronomer
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                                            1964
```

# Case study: Grocery sales

# **Grocery sales**

- Have:
  - Purchases: One row per customer per item, listing purchases they made
  - *Prices*: One row per item in the store, listing their prices
- Want: Total revenue

purchases

prices

customer_id	item
c1	bread
c1	milk
c1	banana
c2	milk
c2	toilet paper

item	price
avocado	0.50
banana	0.15
bread	1.00
milk	0.80
toilet paper	3.00

### **Grocery sales**

```
purchases %>%
  left_join(prices)
```

```
# A tibble: 5 \times 3
 customer_id item
                         price
 <chr>
        <chr>
                         <dbl>
1 c1
          bread
                          1
2 c1
          milk
                         0.8
3 c1
            banana
                       0.15
4 c2
            milk
                        0.8
5 c2
            toilet paper 3
```

# Grocery sales

Total revenue

purchases %>%

left\_join(prices)

Revenue per customer

```
# A tibble: 5 \times 3
  customer_id item
  <chr>
          <chr>
                          <dbl
1 c1
            bread
                           1
             milk
2 c1
                        0 . 8
3 c1
             banana
                        0.1
             milk
4 c2
                          0.8
5 c2
             toilet paper 3
```

```
purchases %>%
  left_join(prices) %>%
  summarize(total_revenue = summarize(total_revenue)
```

### **Extension: Multiple matching rows**

professions\_multi

dates

notability\_multi

```
professions_multi
```

```
# A tibble: 12 \times 2
                    profession
  name
  <chr>
                    <chr>
1 Ada Lovelace
                    Mathematician
2 Marie Curie
                   Physicist
3 Marie Curie
                Chemist
4 Janaki Ammal
                Botanist
5 Chien-Shiung Wu Physicist
6 Katherine Johnson Mathematician
# ... with 6 more rows
```

# Other types of joins

These are less common:

#### filtering joins

- semi\_join(): include a row from x only if there's some
  match in y
- anti\_join(): include a row from x only if there's no match in y

#### *nest* join

nest\_join(): get bundles of all matching rows from y (most flexible)

# **Specifying keys**

- Keys must match exactly
- Can join on multiple columns (first name and last name)
- Default join: columns with same names
- Specify what columns to use: left\_join(x, y, by =
  c("first\_name", "last\_name"))

### **General notes**

#### A note on mutate

- Badly named. Think "add\_computed\_column".
- **DON'T** think of it operating on a variable ("mutate the ride's start time").
- **DO** think of it operating on a data frame ("add a column computed by flooring the start time)

### Speaking of better names

select vs filter?

Maybe should have been named select\_columns and select\_rows.