## Lab 02: Data and Reproducibility

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## Due date

This lab is due on Monday, September 22 at 11:59pm. To be considered on time, the following must be done by the due date:

• Final .pdf file submitted on Gradescope

### Introduction

The main goal is to learn data processing using tidyverse and introduce you to version control using Github.

### Learning goals

By the end of the lab, you will learn:

- 1. Tidyverse basics
- 2. Data wrangling with dplyr
- 3. Data tidying with tidyr

## The tidyverse

### A whole "universe" of functions within R

• The most powerful, intuitive, and popular approach to data cleaning, wrangling, and visualization in R

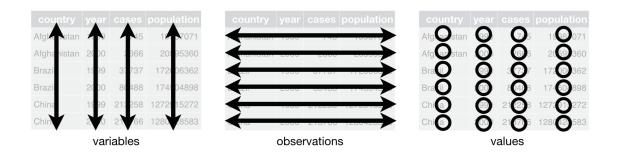
### Advantages:

- Consistent philosophy and syntax
- "Verb" based approach makes it more familiar to users of Stata/SAS/SPSS
- Serves as the front-end for many other big data and ML tools

### **Tidying Data**

The two most important properties of tidy data are:

- 1. Each column is a unique variable.
- 2. Each row is a single observation.



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Tidy data is easier to work with, because you have a consistent way of referring to variables and observations. It then becomes easy to manipulate, visualize, and model.

### Wide vs. Long Formats

Both of these data sets display information on heart rate observed in individuals across 3 different time periods:

	name	time1	time2	time3	
1	Wilbur	67	56	70	
2	Petunia	80	90	67	
3	Gregory	64	50	101	
	name	time 1	heartra	ate	
1	Wilbur	1		67	
2	Petunia	1		80	
3	Gregory	1 64			

```
4 Wilbur
              2
                        56
5 Petunia
              2
                        90
6 Gregory
              2
                        50
7 Wilbur
              3
                        70
8 Petunia
              3
                        67
9 Gregory
              3
                        10
```

Which dataframe is in *tidy* format?

### Wide data:

- Row = patient. Columns = repeated observations over time.
- Often easier to take in at a glance (as in a spreadsheet).

### Long data:

- Row = one observation. Columns = ID variables + observed variable.
- Usually easier to clean, merge with other data, and avoid errors.

Tidy data is more likely to be long.

• Most R packages have been written assuming your data is in long format.

"Tidy datasets are all alike but every messy dataset is messy in its own way." – Hadley Wickham

### Tidyverse packages

We need to install and load a couple of packages. Run these preliminaries:

```
# load and install package if necessary
if (!require("pacman")) install.packages("pacman")
pacman::p_load(
   tidyverse,
   nycflights13
   )
```

We see that we have actually loaded a number of packages (which could also be loaded individually): **ggplot2**, **tibble**, **dplyr**, etc. - We can also see information about the package versions and some namespace conflicts.

The tidyverse actually comes with a lot more packages than those that are just loaded automatically.

### tidyverse\_packages()

```
[1] "broom"
                      "conflicted"
                                       "cli"
                                                         "dbplyr"
                      "dtplyr"
 [5] "dplyr"
                                       "forcats"
                                                         "ggplot2"
                                                         "hms"
 [9] "googledrive"
                      "googlesheets4" "haven"
[13] "httr"
                      "jsonlite"
                                                         "magrittr"
                                       "lubridate"
[17] "modelr"
                      "pillar"
                                       "purrr"
                                                         "ragg"
                                       "reprex"
[21] "readr"
                      "readxl"
                                                         "rlang"
                      "rvest"
                                       "stringr"
                                                         "tibble"
[25] "rstudioapi"
                                       "tidyverse"
[29] "tidyr"
                      "xm12"
```

All of these are super useful

- lubridate helps us work with dates
- **rvest** is for webscraping

This labs will focus on two that are automatically loaded: **dplyr** and **tidyr**.

### Pipes: |> or %>%

Pipes take the **output** of one function and feed it into the **first argument** of the next (which you then skip).

dataframe |> filter(condition) is equivalent to filter(dataframe, condition).

Note: |> on these slides is generated by the two characters | >, without the space.

Older version of the pipe: %>% \* From the magrittr package loaded with the tidyverse \* Works identically to |> in most situations.

**Keyboard shortcut:** Ctl/Cmd + Shift + M

• Have to turn on a setting in RStudio options to make |> the default

Pipes can dramatically improve the experience of reading and writing code. Compare:

```
## These next two lines of code do exactly the same thing.

mpg |> filter(manufacturer=="audi") |>
    group_by(model) |>
    summarize(hwy_mean = mean(hwy))
```

```
summarize(group_by(filter(mpg, manufacturer=="audi"), model), hwy_mean = mean(hwy))
```

The first line reads from left to right, exactly how you think about the operations.

The second line totally inverts this logical order (the final operation comes first!)

Best practice is to put each function on its own line and indent. Look how much more readable this is:

```
mpg |>
  filter(manufacturer == "audi") |>
  group_by(model) |>
  summarize(hwy_mean = mean(hwy))
```

Vertical space costs nothing and makes for much more readable/writable code than cramming things horizontally.

All together, this multi-line line of code is called a **pipeline**.

### Key dplyr verbs

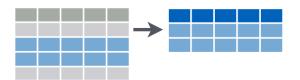
There are five key dplyr verbs that you need to learn.

- 1. filter: Filter (i.e. subset) rows based on their values.
- 2. arrange: Arrange (i.e. reorder) rows based on their values.
- 3. select: Select (i.e. subset) columns by their names:
- 4. mutate: Create new columns.
- 5. summarize: Collapse multiple rows into a single summary value.

Let's practice these functions together using the **starwars** data frame that comes pre-packaged with dplyr.

## Exercise 1: dplyr::filter

# **Subset Observations** (Rows)



We can chain multiple filter commands with the pipe (|>), or just separate them within a single filter command using commas.

```
starwars |>
filter(
   species == "Human",
   height >= 190
)
```

# A tibble: 4 x 14

	name	height	${\tt mass}$	hair_color	skin_color	eye_color	birth_year	sex	gender
	<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr>&gt;</chr>	<chr></chr>
1	Darth Va~	202	136	none	white	yellow	41.9	${\tt male}$	mascu~
2	Qui-Gon ~	193	89	brown	fair	blue	92	${\tt male}$	mascu~
3	Dooku	193	80	white	fair	brown	102	${\tt male}$	mascu~
4	Bail Pre~	191	NA	black	tan	brown	67	${\tt male}$	mascu~

```
# i 5 more variables: homeworld <chr>, species <chr>, films <list>,
# vehicles <list>, starships <list>
```

Regular expressions work well too.

```
starwars |>
filter(str_detect(name, "Skywalker"))
```

```
# A tibble: 3 x 14
           height mass hair_color skin_color eye_color birth_year sex
 name
                                                                          gender
  <chr>
             <int> <dbl> <chr>
                                    <chr>
                                               <chr>
                                                              <dbl> <chr> <chr>
1 Luke Sky~
               172
                      77 blond
                                    fair
                                               blue
                                                               19
                                                                    male mascu~
2 Anakin S~
               188
                      84 blond
                                    fair
                                                               41.9 male mascu~
                                               blue
3 Shmi Sky~
               163
                      NA black
                                    fair
                                               brown
                                                                    fema~ femin~
# i 5 more variables: homeworld <chr>, species <chr>, films t>,
    vehicles <list>, starships <list>
```

A very common filter use case is identifying (or removing) missing data cases.

```
starwars |>
filter(is.na(height))
```

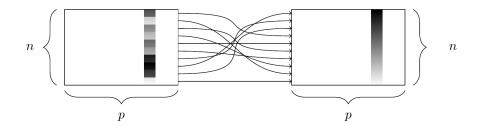
```
# A tibble: 6 x 14
           height mass hair_color skin_color eye_color birth_year sex
 name
                                                                          gender
            <int> <dbl> <chr>
 <chr>>
                                    <chr>
                                               <chr>
                                                              <dbl> <chr> <chr>
1 Arvel Cr~
               NA
                      NA brown
                                    fair
                                               brown
                                                                 NA male mascu~
2 Finn
               NA
                      NA black
                                                                 NA male mascu~
                                    dark
                                               dark
3 Rey
               NA
                      NA brown
                                    light
                                               hazel
                                                                 NA fema~ femin~
4 Poe Dame~
               NA
                      NA brown
                                    light
                                               brown
                                                                 NA male mascu~
                                               black
                                                                 NA none mascu~
5 BB8
               NA
                      NA none
                                    none
                                               unknown
                                                                 NA fema~ femin~
6 Captain ~
               NA
                      NA none
                                    none
# i 5 more variables: homeworld <chr>, species <chr>, films t>,
   vehicles <list>, starships <list>
```

To remove missing observations, simply use negation: filter(!is.na(height)). Try this yourself.

```
clean_starwars<-starwars |>
  filter(is.na(height))
clean_starwars
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 14
 name
            height
                    mass hair_color skin_color eye_color birth_year sex
                                                                             gender
  <chr>
             <int> <dbl> <chr>
                                     <chr>
                                                 <chr>
                                                                 <dbl> <chr> <chr>
1 Arvel Cr~
                                                                   NA male
                NA
                      NA brown
                                     fair
                                                 brown
                                                                             mascu~
2 Finn
                NA
                      NA black
                                     dark
                                                 dark
                                                                   NA male
                                                                             mascu~
3 Rey
                NA
                      NA brown
                                     light
                                                 hazel
                                                                   NA fema~ femin~
4 Poe Dame~
                NA
                      NA brown
                                     light
                                                 brown
                                                                   NA male
                                                                             mascu~
5 BB8
                NA
                      NA none
                                     none
                                                 black
                                                                   NA none
                                                                             mascu~
6 Captain ~
                NA
                      NA none
                                     none
                                                 unknown
                                                                   NA fema~ femin~
# i 5 more variables: homeworld <chr>, species <chr>, films t>,
    vehicles <list>, starships <list>
```

## Exercise 2: dplyr::arrange



arrange sorts your data frame by a particular column (numerically, or alphabetically)

```
starwars |>
arrange(birth_year)
```

#### # A tibble: 87 x 14 mass hair\_color skin\_color eye\_color birth\_year sex name height gender <int> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <chr> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <chr> 1 Wicket ~ 88 20 brown brown brown 8 male mascu~ 2 IG-88 200 140 none metal red 15 none mascu~ 3 Luke Sk~ 172 77 blond fair blue 19 male mascu~ 4 Leia Or~ 150 49 brown light brown 19 fema~ femin~ 5 Wedge A~ 170 77 brown fair hazel 21 male mascu~ 6 Plo Koon 188 80 none orange black 22 male mascu~ 7 Biggs D~ 183 male 84 black light brown 24 mascu~ 8 Han Solo 29 180 80 brown fair brown male mascu~ 9 Lando C~ 177 79 black dark brown 31 male mascu~ 10 Boba Fe~ 183 78.2 black 31.5 male fair brown mascu~ # i 77 more rows

<sup>#</sup> i 5 more variables: homeworld <chr>, species <chr>, films <list>,

# vehicles <list>, starships <list>

We can also arrange items in descending order using arrange(desc()).

```
starwars |>
arrange(desc(birth_year))
```

## # A tibble: 87 x 14

	name	height	mass	${\tt hair\_color}$	skin_color	eye_color	birth_year	sex	gender
	<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>
1	Yoda	66	17	white	green	brown	896	${\tt male}$	mascu~
2	Jabba D~	175	1358	<na></na>	green-tan~	orange	600	herm~	mascu~
3	Chewbac~	228	112	brown	unknown	blue	200	${\tt male}$	mascu~
4	C-3P0	167	75	<na></na>	gold	yellow	112	none	mascu~
5	Dooku	193	80	white	fair	brown	102	male	mascu~
6	Qui-Gon~	193	89	brown	fair	blue	92	male	mascu~
7	Ki-Adi-~	198	82	white	pale	yellow	92	male	mascu~
8	Finis $V^{\sim}$	170	NA	blond	fair	blue	91	male	mascu~
9	Palpati~	170	75	grey	pale	yellow	82	male	mascu~
10	Cliegg ~	183	NA	brown	fair	blue	82	${\tt male}$	mascu~

- # i 77 more rows
- # i 5 more variables: homeworld <chr>, species <chr>, films <list>,
- # vehicles <list>, starships <list>

## Exercise 3: dplyr::select

# Subset Variables (Columns)



Use commas to select multiple columns out of a data frame. (You can also use "first:last" for consecutive columns). Deselect a column with "-".

```
starwars |>
select(name:skin_color, species, -height)
```

```
# A tibble: 87 x 5
  name
                       mass hair_color
                                           skin_color
                                                       species
  <chr>
                      <dbl> <chr>
                                           <chr>
                                                       <chr>
 1 Luke Skywalker
                         77 blond
                                           fair
                                                       Human
2 C-3PO
                         75 <NA>
                                           gold
                                                       Droid
3 R2-D2
                         32 <NA>
                                           white, blue Droid
4 Darth Vader
                        136 none
                                                       Human
                                           white
5 Leia Organa
                         49 brown
                                           light
                                                       Human
6 Owen Lars
                        120 brown, grey
                                                       Human
                                           light
7 Beru Whitesun Lars
                         75 brown
                                           light
                                                       Human
8 R5-D4
                         32 <NA>
                                           white, red
                                                       Droid
9 Biggs Darklighter
                         84 black
                                           light
                                                       Human
                         77 auburn, white fair
10 Obi-Wan Kenobi
                                                       Human
# i 77 more rows
```

You can also rename some (or all) of your selected variables in place.

```
starwars |>
select(alias=name, planet=homeworld)
```

```
# A tibble: 87 x 2
  alias
                      planet
   <chr>
                      <chr>
1 Luke Skywalker
                      Tatooine
2 C-3P0
                      Tatooine
3 R2-D2
                      Naboo
4 Darth Vader
                      Tatooine
5 Leia Organa
                      Alderaan
6 Owen Lars
                      Tatooine
7 Beru Whitesun Lars Tatooine
8 R5-D4
                      Tatooine
9 Biggs Darklighter Tatooine
10 Obi-Wan Kenobi
                      Stewjon
# i 77 more rows
```

If you just want to rename columns without subsetting them, you can use rename. Try this!

```
starwars_rename<-starwars |>
  rename(alias=name)
names(starwars_rename)
```

```
[1] "alias" "height" "mass" "hair_color" "skin_color" [6] "eye_color" "birth_year" "sex" "gender" "homeworld" [11] "species" "films" "vehicles" "starships"
```

The select(contains(PATTERN)) option provides a nice shortcut in relevant cases.

```
starwars |>
select(name, contains("color"))
```

```
# A tibble: 87 x 4
                      hair_color
                                     skin_color
                                                  eye_color
   name
   <chr>
                                     <chr>
                       <chr>
                                                  <chr>
1 Luke Skywalker
                      blond
                                     fair
                                                  blue
                                     gold
                                                  yellow
2 C-3PO
                       <NA>
3 R2-D2
                                     white, blue red
                       <NA>
4 Darth Vader
                                     white
                                                  yellow
                      none
5 Leia Organa
                      brown
                                     light
                                                  brown
6 Owen Lars
                                                  blue
                                     light
                      brown, grey
7 Beru Whitesun Lars brown
                                     light
                                                  blue
8 R5-D4
                       < NA >
                                     white, red
                                                  red
9 Biggs Darklighter black
                                     light
                                                  brown
```

auburn, white fair

10 Obi-Wan Kenobi

# i 77 more rows

Some other selection helpers: starts\_with(), ends\_with(), all\_of(c("name1", "name2")), matches().

blue-gray

## Exercise 4: dplyr::mutate

# **Make New Variables**



You can create new columns from scratch, or (more commonly) as transformations of existing columns.

```
starwars |>
select(name, birth_year) |>
mutate(dog_years = birth_year * 7) |>
mutate(comment = paste0(name, " is ", dog_years, " in dog years."))
```

#### # A tibble: 87 x 4 name birth\_year dog\_years comment <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <chr> 1 Luke Skywalker 19 133 Luke Skywalker is 133 in dog years. 2 C-3PO 112 784 C-3PO is 784 in dog years. 3 R2-D2 33 231 R2-D2 is 231 in dog years. 4 Darth Vader 41.9 293. Darth Vader is 293.3 in dog years. 5 Leia Organa 19 133 Leia Organa is 133 in dog years. 6 Owen Lars 364 Owen Lars is 364 in dog years. 52 7 Beru Whitesun Lars 47 329 Beru Whitesun Lars is 329 in dog yea~ 8 R5-D4 NA R5-D4 is NA in dog years. NA9 Biggs Darklighter 24 168 Biggs Darklighter is 168 in dog year~ 10 Obi-Wan Kenobi 399 Obi-Wan Kenobi is 399 in dog years. 57 # i 77 more rows

Note: mutate is order aware. So you can chain multiple mutates in a single call.

```
starwars |>
select(name, birth_year) |>
mutate(
   dog_years = birth_year * 7,  # Separate with a comma
   comment = paste0(name, " is ", dog_years, " in dog years.")
)
```

#### # A tibble: 87 x 4 name birth\_year dog\_years comment <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <chr> 19 133 Luke Skywalker is 133 in dog years. 1 Luke Skywalker 2 C-3PO 784 C-3PO is 784 in dog years. 112 3 R2-D2 231 R2-D2 is 231 in dog years. 33 4 Darth Vader 41.9 293. Darth Vader is 293.3 in dog years. 5 Leia Organa 19 133 Leia Organa is 133 in dog years. 6 Owen Lars 364 Owen Lars is 364 in dog years. 52 7 Beru Whitesun Lars 329 Beru Whitesun Lars is 329 in dog yea~ 47 8 R5-D4 NA R5-D4 is NA in dog years. NA9 Biggs Darklighter 24 168 Biggs Darklighter is 168 in dog year~ 10 Obi-Wan Kenobi 399 Obi-Wan Kenobi is 399 in dog years. 57 # i 77 more rows

Boolean, logical and conditional operators all work well with mutate too.

```
starwars |>
select(name, height) |>
filter(name %in% c("Luke Skywalker", "Anakin Skywalker")) |>
mutate(tall1 = height > 180) |>
mutate(tall2 = if_else(height > 180, "Tall", "Short"))
```

Lastly, combining mutate with across allows you to easily perform the same operation on a subset of variables.

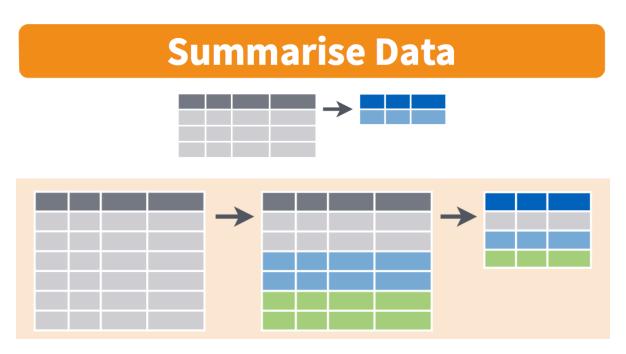
```
starwars |>
select(name:eye_color) |>
mutate(across(where(is.character), toupper))
```

### # A tibble: 87 x 6

name	height	mass	hair_color	skin_color	eye_color
<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>
1 LUKE SKYWALKER	172	77	BLOND	FAIR	BLUE
2 C-3PO	167	75	<na></na>	GOLD	YELLOW

3 R2-D2	96	32	<na></na>	WHITE, BLUE	RED
4 DARTH VADER	202	136	NONE	WHITE	YELLOW
5 LEIA ORGANA	150	49	BROWN	LIGHT	BROWN
6 OWEN LARS	178	120	BROWN, GREY	LIGHT	BLUE
7 BERU WHITESUN LARS	165	75	BROWN	LIGHT	BLUE
8 R5-D4	97	32	<na></na>	WHITE, RED	RED
9 BIGGS DARKLIGHTER	183	84	BLACK	LIGHT	BROWN
10 OBI-WAN KENOBI	182	77	AUBURN, WHITE	FAIR	BLUE-GRAY
# i 77 more rows					

Exercise 5: dplyr::summarize



Particularly useful in combination with the group\_by command.

```
starwars |>
  group_by(species) |>
  summarize(mean_height = mean(height))
```

```
2 Besalisk
                    198
3 Cerean
                    198
4 Chagrian
                    196
5 Clawdite
                    168
6 Droid
                     NA
7 Dug
                    112
8 Ewok
                     88
9 Geonosian
                    183
10 Gungan
                    209.
# i 28 more rows
```

Notice that some of these summarized values are missing. If we want to ignore missing values, use na.rm = T:

```
## Much better
starwars |>
group_by(species) |>
summarize(mean_height = mean(height, na.rm = T))
```

```
# A tibble: 38 x 2
   species
            mean_height
   <chr>
                   <dbl>
1 Aleena
                     79
2 Besalisk
                    198
3 Cerean
                    198
4 Chagrian
                    196
5 Clawdite
                    168
6 Droid
                    131.
7 Dug
                    112
8 Ewok
                     88
9 Geonosian
                    183
10 Gungan
                    209.
# i 28 more rows
```

The same across-based workflow that we saw with mutate a few slides back also works with summarize.

```
starwars |>
group_by(species) |>
summarize(across(where(is.numeric), mean))
```

```
# A tibble: 38 x 4
   species
             height
                     mass birth_year
   <chr>
               <dbl> <dbl>
                                 <dbl>
 1 Aleena
                 79
                        15
                                    NA
2 Besalisk
                       102
                                    NA
                198
3 Cerean
                198
                        82
                                    92
4 Chagrian
                196
                        NA
                                    NA
5 Clawdite
                168
                        55
                                    NA
6 Droid
                        NA
                                    NA
                NA
7 Dug
                112
                        40
                                    NA
8 Ewok
                        20
                                     8
                 88
9 Geonosian
                        80
                183
                                    NA
10 Gungan
                209.
                                    NA
                        NA
# i 28 more rows
```

The same across-based workflow that we saw with mutate a few slides back also works with summarize. Though to add arguments, we have to use an anonymous function:

```
starwars |>
group_by(species) |>
summarize(across(where(is.numeric), ~ mean(.x, na.rm=T)))
```

```
# A tibble: 38 x 4
   species
             height mass birth_year
   <chr>
              <dbl> <dbl>
                                 <dbl>
                79
1 Aleena
                      15
                                NaN
2 Besalisk
                198
                     102
                                 NaN
3 Cerean
                      82
                                 92
                198
4 Chagrian
               196
                     NaN
                                 NaN
5 Clawdite
               168
                      55
                                NaN
6 Droid
               131.
                      69.8
                                 53.3
7 Dug
                112
                      40
                                NaN
8 Ewok
                88
                      20
                                   8
9 Geonosian
                183
                      80
                                 NaN
10 Gungan
                209.
                      74
                                 52
# i 28 more rows
```

### Other dplyr goodies

ungroup: For ungrouping after using group\_by. - Use after doing your grouped summarize or mutate operation, or everything else you do will be super slow.

slice: Subset rows by position rather than filtering by values. - E.g. starwars |>
slice(1:10)

pull: Extract a column from as a data frame as a vector or scalar. - E.g. starwars |>
filter(sex=="female") |> pull(height)

distinct and count: List unique values, with or without their number of appearances. - E.g. starwars |> distinct(species), or starwars |> count(species) - count is equivalent to group\_by and summarize with n():

```
starwars |> group_by(species) |> summarize(n = n())
```

```
# A tibble: 38 x 2
   species
   <chr>
             <int>
1 Aleena
                 1
2 Besalisk
                 1
3 Cerean
4 Chagrian
5 Clawdite
6 Droid
7 Dug
8 Ewok
                 1
9 Geonosian
                 1
10 Gungan
                 3
# i 28 more rows
```

## Challenge 1

List the most common eye colors among female Star Wars characters in descending order of frequency.

As usual, there are multiple solutions.

```
starwars |>
  filter(sex == "female") |>
  count(eye_color) |>
  arrange(desc(n))
```

```
starwars |>
  filter(sex == "female") |>
  group_by(eye_color) |>
  summarize(n = n()) |>
  arrange(desc(n))
```

Explain what each line in the codes do:

### Answer:

- 1. Line one takes the output of the starwars function and feeds it into the first argument of this code. Basically, line one starts the code.
- 2. Line two ("filter") organizes the rows based on their values, so it organizes the rows to only include females.
- 3. Line three ("count") lists the eye colors with their number of appearances, so it tells the amount of females with each eye color.

- 4. Line four ("arrange") sorts the data table into columns and orders the rows based on their values.
- 5. Line five does the same thing as line one, feeding the output of the starwars function and feeding it directly into the next function.
- 6. Line six ("group\_by") organizes the data into groups by eye color.
- 7. Line seven ("summarize") collapses the multiple rows into a single row containing a summary of the data.
- 8. Line eight ("arrange") does the same thing as line four, which is arranging the rows into columns based on their values.

### Storing results in memory

So far we haven't been saving the dataframes that result from our code in memory. Usually, we will want to use them for the next task. Create a new object each time you write a pipeline.

```
women = starwars |> filter(sex == "female")
brown_eyed_women = women |> filter(eye_color == "brown")
```

Resist the temptation to use the same object name. This is called **clobbering** since it overwrites the previous version. It ruins your ability to easily go back to previous steps.

```
# DON'T do this
starwars = starwars |> filter(sex == "female")
```

By keeping multiple copies of very similar dataframes, will you waste your computer's memory? Usually, no – R is smart and stores only the changes between objects.

### Key tidyr verbs

- 1. pivot\_longer: Pivot wide data into long format.
- 2. pivot\_wider: Pivot long data into wide format.
- 3. separate: Separate (i.e. split) one column into multiple columns.
- 4. unite: Unite (i.e. combine) multiple columns into one.

Which of pivot\_longer vs pivot\_wider produces "tidy" data?

## Exercise 6: tidyr::pivot\_longer

```
stocks = data.frame( ## Could use "tibble" instead of "data.frame" if you prefer
 time = as.Date('2009-01-01') + 0:1,
 X = rnorm(2, 10, 1),
 Y = rnorm(2, 10, 2),
 Z = rnorm(2, 10, 5)
 )
stocks
        time
                     Х
1 2009-01-01 10.459809 11.46898 8.490222
2 2009-01-02 9.461827 13.87764 1.900462
tidy_stocks = stocks |>
  pivot_longer(cols=X:Z, names_to="stock", values_to="price")
tidy_stocks
# A tibble: 6 x 3
           stock price
  time
  <date>
            <chr> <dbl>
1 2009-01-01 X
                   10.5
2 2009-01-01 Y
                   11.5
3 2009-01-01 Z
                    8.49
4 2009-01-02 X
                    9.46
5 2009-01-02 Y
                   13.9
6 2009-01-02 Z
                    1.90
```

## Exercise 7: tidyr::pivot\_wider

Now we can use pivot\_wider to go back to the original dataframe:

```
tidy_stocks |> pivot_wider(names_from=stock, values_from=price)
```

Or, we can put it into a new ("transposed") format, in which the observations are stocks and the columns are dates:

```
tidy_stocks |> pivot_wider(names_from=time, values_from=price)
```

## Exercise 8: tidyr::separate

separate helps when you have more than one value in a single column:

```
economists = data.frame(name = c("Adam_Smith", "Paul_Samuelson", "Milton_Friedman"))
economists
```

```
name
1    Adam_Smith
2    Paul_Samuelson
3    Milton_Friedman
economists |> separate(name, c("first_name", "last_name"))
```

```
first_name last_name

Adam Smith

Paul Samuelson

Milton Friedman
```

\_

This command is pretty smart. But to avoid ambiguity, you can also specify the separation character with the sep argument:

```
economists |> separate(name, c("first_name", "last_name"), sep = "_")
```

```
first_name last_name

Adam Smith

Paul Samuelson

Milton Friedman
```

## Exercise 9: tidyr::separate

Related is separate\_rows, for splitting cells with multiple values into multiple rows:

```
# Now split out Jill's various occupations into different rows
jobs |> separate_rows(occupation)
```

Related is separate\_rows, for splitting cells with multiple values into multiple rows:

```
jobs = data.frame(
  name = c("Joe", "Jill"),
  occupation = c("President", "First Lady, Professor, Grandmother")
  )
jobs
```

```
name occupation
1 Joe President
2 Jill First Lady, Professor, Grandmother
```

```
# Now split out Jill's various occupations into different rows
jobs |> separate_rows(occupation, sep = ", ")
```

```
# A tibble: 4 x 2
  name occupation
  <chr> <chr>
1 Joe President
2 Jill First Lady
3 Jill Professor
4 Jill Grandmother
```

4 2016-1-4 102.81068

## Exercise 10: tidyr::unite

```
gdp = data.frame(
 yr = rep(2016, times = 4),
 mnth = rep(1, times = 4),
 dy = 1:4,
 gdp = rnorm(4, mean = 100, sd = 2)
gdp
    yr mnth dy
                      gdp
1 2016
             1 102.66463
2 2016
             2 99.25005
3 2016
          1 3 99.03425
4 2016
             4 102.81068
## Combine "yr", "mnth", and "dy" into one "date" column
gdp |> unite(date, c("yr", "mnth", "dy"), sep = "-")
      date
                 gdp
1 2016-1-1 102.66463
2 2016-1-2 99.25005
3 2016-1-3 99.03425
```

Note that unite will automatically create a character variable.

gdp\_u <- gdp |> unite(date, c("yr", "mnth", "dy"), sep = "-")

If you want to convert it to something else (e.g. date or numeric) then you will need to modify it using mutate. This example uses the lubridate package's super helpful date conversion functions.

## Challenge 2

Using nycflights13, create a table of average arrival delay (in minutes) by day (in rows) and carrier (in columns).

Hint: Recall that you can tabulate summary statistics using group\_by and summarize:

```
flights |>
  group_by(carrier) |>
  summarize(avg_late = mean(arr_delay, na.rm=T))
```

```
# A tibble: 16 x 2
  carrier avg_late
              <dbl>
   <chr>
1 9E
              7.38
2 AA
              0.364
3 AS
             -9.93
4 B6
              9.46
5 DL
              1.64
             15.8
6 EV
7 F9
             21.9
8 FL
             20.1
             -6.92
9 HA
             10.8
10 MQ
11 00
             11.9
12 UA
              3.56
13 US
              2.13
14 VX
              1.76
              9.65
15 WN
16 YV
             15.6
```

### Solution:

```
delay_long = flights |>
  group_by(carrier, day) |>
  summarize(avg_late = mean(arr_delay, na.rm=T))
delay_wide = delay_long |>
  pivot_wider(names_from=carrier, values_from=avg_late)
head(delay_wide, 4)
```

```
# A tibble: 4 x 17
         `9E`
                                         DL
    day
                  AA
                          AS
                                                ΕV
                                                      F9
                                                            FL
                                                                   HΑ
                                                                         MQ
                                                                               00
                                  B6
  <int> <dbl>
               <dbl>
                       <dbl>
                               <dbl>
                                      <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <
                                                         22.7
        7.21 - 1.23
                       -5.96 11.9
                                      0.866 21.3
                                                   21.7
                                                                -15.4 12.9
1
2
        7.35 -0.905 -13.7
                              9.90
                                       3.05
                                            18.0
                                                    7.71 20.9
                                                               -16.1
                              5.26
        5.80 -3.09 -20.8
                                     -0.204 15.3
                                                  18.0
                                                         19.6 -16.8 13.7
                                                                              0.5
      4 -2.11 -5.80 -22.3 -0.0939 -6.24
                                              3.87 14.5
                                                          4.38 -15.2 3.82 -12
# i 5 more variables: UA <dbl>, US <dbl>, VX <dbl>, WN <dbl>, YV <dbl>
```

Explain what each line in the codes do:

#### Answer:

- 1. Line one is a pipe, meaning it takes the output of the flights function and feeds it into the first argument of the next function.
- 2. Line two ("group\_by") organizes the data into separate groups by carrier type. Each group contains rows that share similar values.
- 3. Line three ("summarize") collapses the multiple rows into a single row containing a summary of the data. Basically, it collapses the dataset into one row per group.
- 4. Line four is also a pipe, meaning it takes the output of the function and feeds it into the argument of the next function. So, it takes the data on flights and feeds it into the next function. "delay\_long" indicates that the next function will be stored under the "delay\_long" variable.
- 5. Line five ("group\_by") organizes the data into groups based on carrier and day. Because it has "|>", it also includes a pipe, which will take the output of the function and feed it into the next function.
- 6. Line six ("summarize") will collapse multiple rows into a single row containing a summary of the data. So, it will take the mean of the "arr\_delay" column and create a new column with this mean.
- 7. Line seven is another pipe, so it will take the delay\_long function and feed it into the argument of the next function. The result of the pipe will be renamed as "delay\_wide."

- 8. Line eight will use the values in the carrier column as column names and fill them with the values from the "avg late" columns. In other words, it will change the dataset from long format to wide format.
- 9. This will display only the first four rows of the "delay\_wide" function.

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