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## Metadata

id	machine_name	date	...	condition	sex	...	p
xxx...xx x	machine_001	2016-09-01	...	A	M	...	p <sub>1</sub>
xxx...xx y	machine_001	2016-09-01	...	B	M	...	p <sub>2</sub>
xxx...xx z	machine_002	2016-09-03	...	A	F	...	p <sub>3</sub>
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
n	machine <sub>n</sub>	date <sub>n</sub>	...	condition <sub>n</sub>	sex <sub>n</sub>	...	p <sub>n</sub>

Platform fields

Experiment fields

## Data


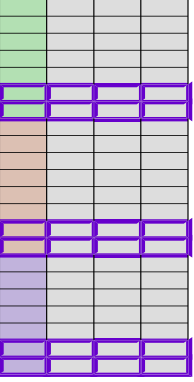
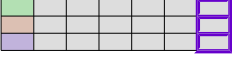
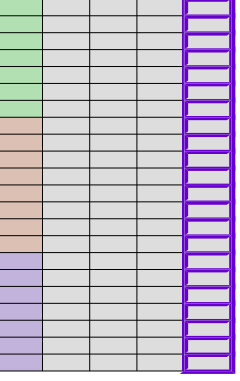
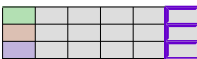
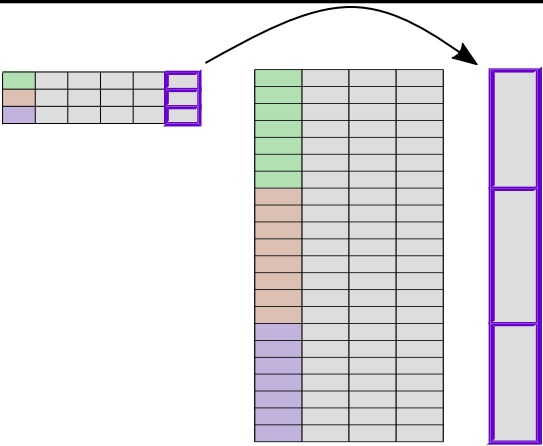

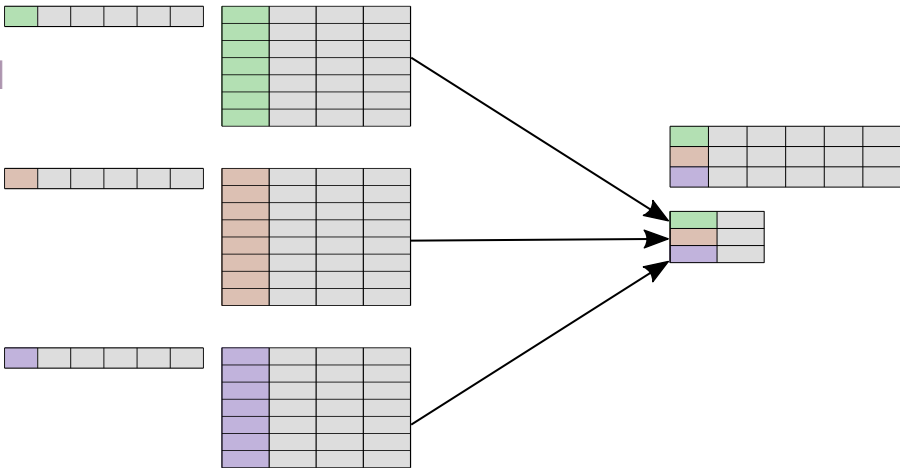
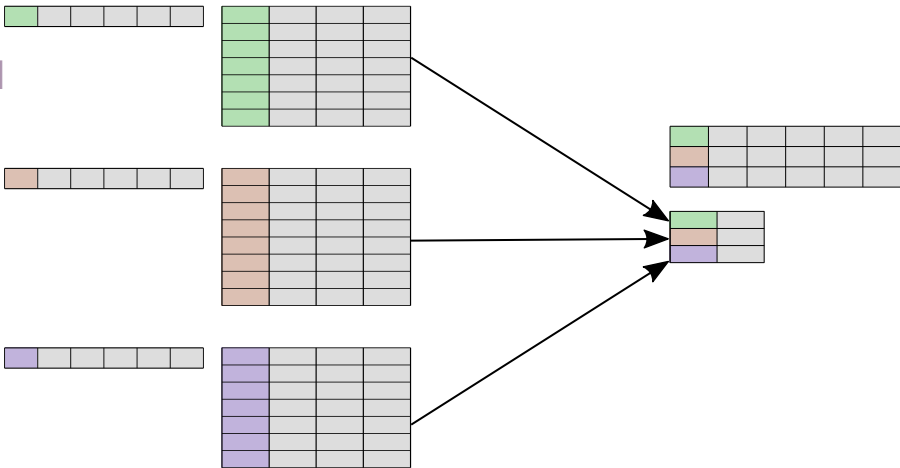
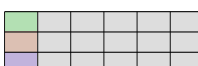
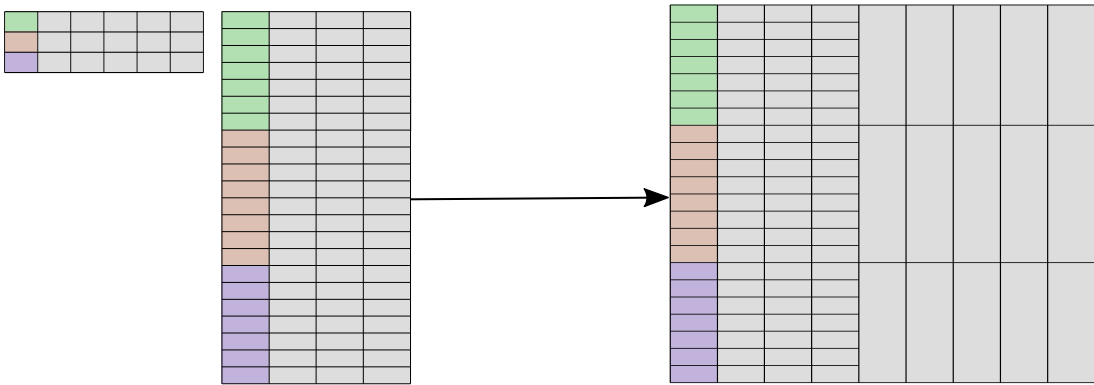
id	t	activity	...	q
xxx...xx x	1	1	⋮	q <sub>1,1</sub>
xxx...xx x	2	0	⋮	q <sub>1,2</sub>
xxx...xx x	3	0	⋮	q <sub>1,3</sub>
xxx...xx x	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
xxx...xx y	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
xxx...xx z	1	0	⋮	q <sub>3,1</sub>
xxx...xx z	2	2	⋮	q <sub>3,2</sub>
xxx...xx z	3	0	⋮	q <sub>3,3</sub>
xxx...xx z	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
n	⋮	⋮	⋮	q <sub>n,k<sub>n</sub></sub>

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Select	<b>dt[CRITERIA, meta = TRUE]</b>  <pre># to subet the metadata only for males &gt; male_meta &lt;- dt[sex == "M",                   meta = TRUE]</pre>	<b>dt[CRITERIA]</b>  <pre># to keep only data &gt; 5s &gt; late_dt &lt;- dt[t &gt; 5]</pre> <p>Note: metadata is updated when selection removes all data from one id.</p>
Alter, create & delete (meta)variables	<b>dt[, X := value, meta = TRUE]</b>  <pre># to create a metavariable set to "wt" &gt; dt[, genotype := "wt", meta = TRUE] # delete &gt; dt[, sex := NULL, meta = TRUE]</pre>	<b>dt[, Y := value]</b>  <pre># to create t_2 (t - 1) &gt; dt[, t_2 := t - 1] # to delete t &gt; dt[, t := NULL]</pre> <p>Note: update data in place. No copy of dt in memory.</p>
Expand metavariables as variables	<b>dt[xmv(X)]</b>  <pre># to select data with sex &gt; dt &lt;- dt[xmv(sex) == "M"]  # to copy a metavariable as a variable &gt; dt[, s := xmv(sex)]</pre> 	
Aggregate & summary	<b>dt[, OPERATION, by = id]</b>  <pre># to compute mean activity, per individual &gt; dt &lt;- dt[,.(   mean_act = mean(activity) ), by = id]  # to count reads per id &gt; dt[, .N, by = id]</pre> 	<b>OPERATION</b> 
Join data & metadata	<b>rejoin(dt)</b>  <pre># to reunite data and metadata &gt; full_table &lt;- rejoin(dt)</pre> <p>Note: used mostly after aggregation or preprocessing</p> 	<b>REJOIN</b> 