

# Data Manipulation

Finding and Removing Duplicate Records

# Data Redundancy & Duplicacy

• Storage administrators are struggling to handle spiraling volumes of documents, audio, video, images and large email attachments.

Adding storage is not always the best solution

 Many companies are turning to data reduction technologies such as data deduplication

## Data Duplicacy

- Entries that have been added by a system user multiple times
- for example, re-registering because you have forgotten your details.
- It is one of the problem which causes inconsistency in databases.

### Data Redundancy

- Same of data is stored at multiple locations or tables.
- Data redundancy is costly to address as it requires
  - additional storage,
  - synchronization between databases
  - design work to align the information represented by different presentation of the same data.

# Data Redundancy & Duplication

Storing the information several times

It leads to waste of storage space

# Problems with Data Redundancy & Duplication

Wasted Storage Space.

2. More difficult Database Updates.

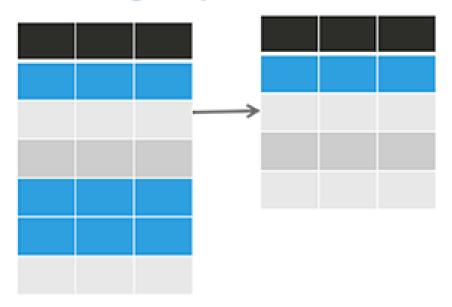
3. A Possibility of Inconsistent data.

# Data Deduplication

• Data deduplication, also called intelligent compression or single-instance storage

## Removing Duplicate Records

#### Removing Duplicate Data in R



- duplicated(): Find duplicate elements (R base)
- unique(): Keep only unique elements (R base)
- dplyr::distinct(): Keep only unique elements (more efficient than unique())



## Removing Duplicate Records

• unique() - for extracting unique elements

- duplicated() for identifying duplicated
   elements
  - returns a logical vector where TRUE specifies which elements of a vector or data frame are duplicates.

#### **Example:**

$$x < -c(1, 1, 4, 5, 4, 6)$$

Find the position of duplicate elements in x,

> duplicated(x)

O/P:

[1] FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE

#### **Example:**

$$X < -c(1, 1, 4, 5, 4, 6)$$

Write a command to extract duplicate elements

Write a command to remove duplicate elements

#### **Data Frame Example:**

How can I remove duplicate rows from this example data frame?

```
A 1
A 1
A 2
B 4
B 1
C 2
C 2
```

I would like to remove the duplicates based on both the columns:

```
A 1
A 2
B 4
B 1
C 2
```

Order is not important.

#### **Data Frame Example:**

df <-data.frame(a,b)

- > df[duplicated(df), ]
- > df[!duplicated(df), ]

#### Data Frame Example2:

Display the duplicate records based on the column "col-x" in the dataframe mydata

mydata[duplicated(mydata\$col-x), ]

#### Data Frame Example2:

Display the duplicate records based on the column "mpg" in the dataframe mtcars

Remove the duplicate records based on the column "cyl" in the dataframe mtcars

# Find and drop duplicate elements: unique()

$$x < -c(1, 1, 4, 5, 4, 6)$$

unique(x)

**O/P:** [1] 1 4 5 6

# Find and drop duplicate elements: unique()

```
a <- c(rep("A", 3), rep("B", 3), rep("C",2))
b \leftarrow c(1,1,2,4,1,1,2,2)
df <-data.frame(a,b)</pre>
unique(df)
> unique(df)
  a b
1 A 1
3 A 2
4 B 4
5 B 1
7 C 2
```