Parsing dates with lubridate

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ymd()

- 27th of February 2013

  - `ymd()` - **y**ear, then **m**onth, then **d**ay

`ymd(`"2013-02-27"`)`

`"2013-02-27"`

`ymd(`"2013.02.27"`)`

`"2013-02-27"`

`ymd(`"2013 Feb 27th"`)`

`"2013-02-27"`

Friends of ymd()

```
dmy("27-02-2013")
```

```
"2013-02-27"
```

```
mdy("02-27-2013")
```

```
"2013-02-27"
```

```
dmy_hm("27-02-2013 12:12pm")
```

```
"2013-02-27 12:12:00 UTC"
```

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parse_date_time(x = ___, order = ___)

```r
parse_date_time("27-02-2013", order = "dmy")
```

```
"2013-02-27 UTC"
```

```r
parse_date_time(c("27-02-2013", "2013 Feb 27th"),
+       order = c("dmy", "ymd"))
```

```
"2013-02-27 UTC" "2013-02-27 UTC"
```

Formatting characters

Character	Meaning
d	Numeric day of the month
m	Month of year
y	Year with century
Y	Year without century
H	Hours (24 hour)
M	Minutes

Character	Meaning
a	Abbreviated weekday
A	Full weekday
b	Abbreviate month name
B	Full month name
I	Hours (12 hour)
p	AM/PM

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Weather in Auckland

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akl_weather_daily.csv

```
date,max_temp,min_temp,mean_temp,mean_rh,events,cloud_cover
2007-9-1,60,51,56,75,NA,4
2007-9-2,60,53,56,82,Rain,4
2007-9-3,57,51,54,78,NA,6
2007-9-4,64,50,57,80,Rain,6
2007-9-5,53,48,50,90,Rain,7
```

akl_weather_hourly_2016.csv

```
year,month,mday,time,temperature,weather,conditions,events,humidity,date_utc
2016,1,1,00:00:00,68,Clear,Clear,NA,68,2015-12-31T11:00:00Z
2016,1,1,00:30:00,68,Clear,Clear,NA,68,2015-12-31T11:30:00Z
2016,1,1,01:00:00,68,Clear,Clear,NA,73,2015-12-31T12:00:00Z
2016,1,1,01:30:00,68,Clear,Clear,NA,68,2015-12-31T12:30:00Z
2016,1,1,02:00:00,68,Clear,Clear,NA,68,2015-12-31T13:00:00Z
```

make_date(year, month, day)

```
make_date(year = 2013, month = 2, day = 27)
```

```
"2013-02-27"
```

`make_datetime(year, month, day, hour, min, sec)` for datetimes

dplyr Review

- `mutate()` - add new columns (or overwrite old ones)

- `filter()` - subset rows

- `select()` - subset columns

- `arrange()` - order rows

- `summarise()` - summarise rows

- `group_by()` - useful in conjuction with `summarise()`

Pipe %>%

```r
# Without the pipe: nested functions
summarise(group_by(filter(releases, major == 3), minor), n =  n())

# With pipe: more linear
releases %>%
  filter(major == 3) %>%
  group_by(minor) %>%
  summarise(n = n())
```

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Extracting parts of a datetime

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Extracting parts of a datetime

```r
x <- ymd("2013-02-23")
```

```r
year(x)
```

```
2013
```

```r
month(x)
```

```
2
```

```r
day(x)
```

```
23
```

Extracting parts of a datetime

Function	Extracts
`year()`	Year with century
`month()`	Month (1-12)
`day()`	Day of month (1-31)
`hour()`	Hour (0-23)
`min()`	Minute (0-59)
`second()`	Second (0-59)
`wday()`	Weekday (1-7)

Setting parts of a datetime

```
x
```

```
"2013-02-23"
```

```
year(x) <- 2017x
```

```
"2017-02-23"
```

Other useful functions

Function	Extracts
`leap_year()`	In leap year (TRUE or FALSE)
`am()`	In morning (TRUE or FALSE)
`pm()`	In afternoon (TRUE or FALSE)
`dst()`	During daylight savings (TRUE or FALSE)
`quarter()`	Quarter of year (1-4)
`semester()`	Half of year (1-2)

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Rounding datetimes

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Rounding versus extracting

```r
release_time <- releases$datetime
head(release_time)
```

```
"1997-12-04 08:47:58 UTC" "1997-12-21 13:09:22 UTC"
"1998-01-10 00:31:55 UTC" "1998-03-14 19:25:55 UTC"
"1998-05-02 07:58:17 UTC" "1998-06-14 12:56:20 UTC"
```

```r
head(release_time) %>% hour()
```

```
8 13  0 19  7 12
```

```r
head(release_time) %>% floor_date(unit = "hour")
```

```
"1997-12-04 08:00:00 UTC" "1997-12-21 13:00:00 UTC"
"1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC" "1998-03-14 19:00:00 UTC"
"1998-05-02 07:00:00 UTC" "1998-06-14 12:00:00 UTC"
```

Rounding in lubridate

- `round_date()` - round to **nearest**

- `ceiling_date()` - round **up**

- `floor_date()` - round to **down**

- Possible values of `unit` :
  - `"second"` , `"minute"` , `"hour"` , `"day"` , `"week"` , `"month"` , `"bimonth"` , `"quarter"` , `"halfyear"` , or `"year"` .

  - Or multiples, e.g `"2 years"` , `"5 minutes"`

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