Visualization, transformation and reporting with the tidyverse

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Preface

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Links

- This website: https://krlmlr.github.io/vistransrep/book
- Scripts and installation instructions: https://github.com/krlmlr/vistransrep-proj/tree/master
 - Prepared scripts: https://github.com/krlmlr/vistransrep-proj/tree/master/script
- The source project for this material: https://github.com/krlmlr/vistransrep

Package versions used

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withr::with_options(list(width = 80), print(sessioninfo::session_info()))
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## [3] /home/travis/R-bin/lib/R/library
```

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Chapter 1

Introduction

The tidyverse has quickly developed over the last years. Its first implementation as a collection of partly older packages was in the second half of 2016. All its packages "share an underlying design philosophy, grammar, and data structures." It is for sure difficult to tell, if "learning the tidyverse" is a hard task, since the result of this assessment might differ from person to person. We do believe though, that there are concepts in its approach, which – when grasped – have the potential to increase one's productivity, since code creation will seem more natural. While this might be true for all languages (once you speak it well enough, things go smoothly), in our opinion the tidyverse worth exploring in depth, since it is

- 1. consistent: an especially well designed framework that aims at making data analysis and programming intuitive,
- 2. evolving: constantly deepened understanding for challenges arising in modern data analysis leads to improving ergonomic user interfaces.

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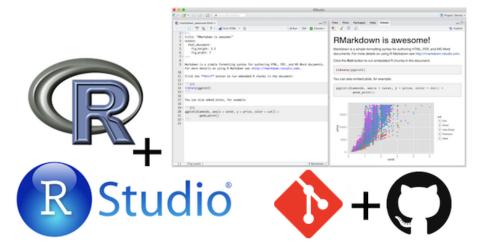


Figure 1.1: R as a toolkit

- Author/Contributor/Maintainer of several R packages:
 - (mlr3, mlr)
 - sperrorest
 - oddsratio
 - xaringan
 - circle
 - RQGIS
 - travis
 - tic
 - ...

1.2 Overview

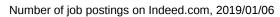
This course covers several topics, which everyone working more intently with the tidyverse almost inevitably needs to deal with at some point or another. The topics are organized in chapters that contain mostly R code with output and text. In each section, exercises are provided.

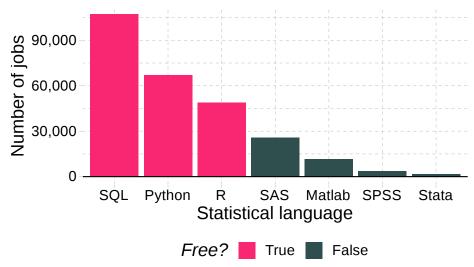
1.3 R as a toolkit

- Scriptability $\rightarrow R$
- Literate programming (code, narrative, output in one place) \rightarrow R Markdown
- Version control \rightarrow Git / GitHub

1.3.1 Why R and RStudio?

Comparing statistical languages





1.3.2 Some R basics

- You will load packages at the start of every new R session.
 - "Base" R comes with tons of useful built-in functions. It also provides all the tools necessary for you to write your own functions.
 - However, many of R's best data science functions and tools come from external packages written by other users.
- R easily and infinitely parallelizes. For free.
 - Compare the cost of a Stata/MP license, nevermind the fact that you effectively pay per core...

1.4 R code examples

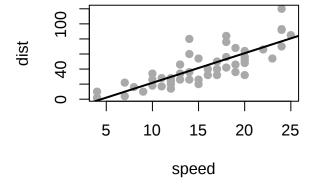
1.4.1 Linear regression

```
fit <- lm(dist ~ 1 + speed, data = cars)
summary(fit)
##
## Call:</pre>
```

```
## lm(formula = dist ~ 1 + speed, data = cars)
## Residuals:
##
      Min
               10 Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -29.069 -9.525 -2.272
                            9.215 43.201
##
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
                           6.7584 -2.601
## (Intercept) -17.5791
                                           0.0123 *
                                    9.464 1.49e-12 ***
## speed
                3.9324
                           0.4155
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 15.38 on 48 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.6511, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6438
## F-statistic: 89.57 on 1 and 48 DF, p-value: 1.49e-12
```

1.4.2 Base R plot

```
par(mar = c(4, 4, 1, .1)) ## nice plot margins
plot(cars, pch = 19, col = 'darkgray')
abline(fit, lwd = 2)
```



1.4.3 ggplot2

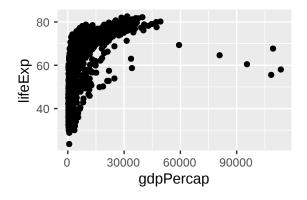
R: Engine



RStudio: Dashboard



Figure 1.2: Engine vs. dashboard



1.4.4 gganimate

1.5 R vs. RStudio

- R is a statistical programming language
- RStudio is a convenient interface for R (an **integrated development environment**, IDE)
- $\bullet~$ At its simplest:
 - R is like a car's engine
 - RStudio is like a car's dashboard

1.6 R vs. R packages

- R packages ${\bf extend}$ the functionality of R by providing additional functions, data, and documentation.

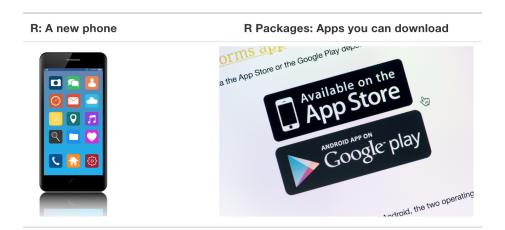


Figure 1.3: R versus R packages

• They are written by a world-wide community of R users and can be downloaded for no cost

1.7 R packages

- CRAN: A group of people who check that packages fulfill certain standards
- Mirror: A location on the web where to download R packages from. Because many thousand people download them daily, the load is distributed on different machines. Pick one which is geographically close to you
- R base/recommended packages: The base installation of R ships with a bunch of default packages. In addition, there are some more packages listed as "recommended".

"base" packages are managed by the R core team and will only be updated for every R release.

Packages listed as "recommended" inherit the attributes of being widely used and having a long history in the R community.

##		Package	Priority
##	1	base	base
##	2	compiler	base
##	3	datasets	base
##	4	graphics	base
##	5	${\tt grDevices}$	base
##	6	grid	base
##	7	methods	base

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```
## 8
     parallel
                   base
##
         Package
                    Priority
## 1
            boot recommended
## 2
           class recommended
## 3
         cluster recommended
## 4
       codetools recommended
## 5
         foreign recommended
## 6
      KernSmooth recommended
## 7
         lattice recommended
## 8
            MASS recommended
## 9
          Matrix recommended
## 10
            mgcv recommended
    [ reached 'max' / getOption("max.print") -- omitted 2 rows ]
```

1.8 .Rprofile

- File in your home directory ~/.Rprofile
- Will be executed before every R session starts
- Useful to set global options and for loading of often used packages

1.9 .Renviron

- File in your home directory ~/.Renviron
- Used to set environment variables
- Used to store "Access tokens" (Github, CI provider, C++ flags)

1.10 RStudio

- \rightarrow Exists to **boost** your productivity
- ightarrow Change the defaults to your liking so you actually can be **productive**
- \rightarrow Keybindings = productivity

Since RStudio v1.3 a portable JSON settings file exists.

If you want to have sane settings without much hassle, you can execute the following R code: source("https://bit.ly/rstudio-pat")

This code will change/overwrite your existing RStudio settings and

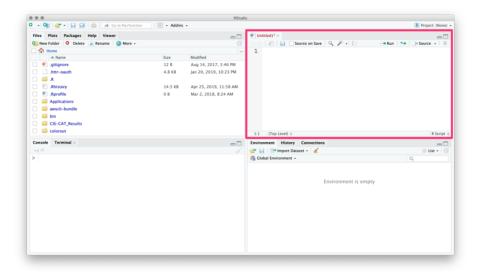


Figure 1.4: Source pane

- set custom keybindings
- move the console panel to the top-right (by default bottom-left)
- Enable/Disable some core settings to have a better overall experience

R scripts (source code) are written in the *Source* pane (Editor).

(Source of all following RS tudio screenshots: https://github.com/edrubin/ $\rm EC525S19)$

You can use the menubar or ++N / +CTRL+N to create new R scripts.

To execute commands from your R script, use +Enter / CTRL+Enter.

RStudio will execute the command in the console.

You can see the new object in the *Environment* pane.

The *History* tab records your old commands.

The *Files* pane is the file explorer.

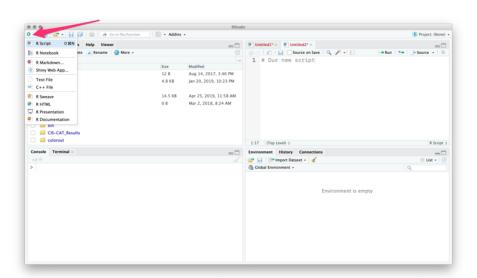


Figure 1.5: New script

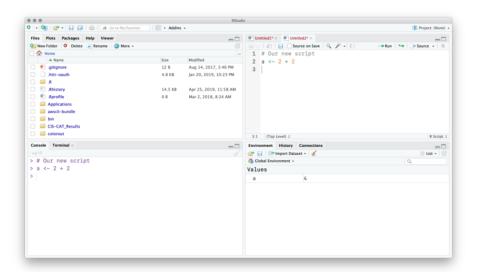


Figure 1.6: Execute commands

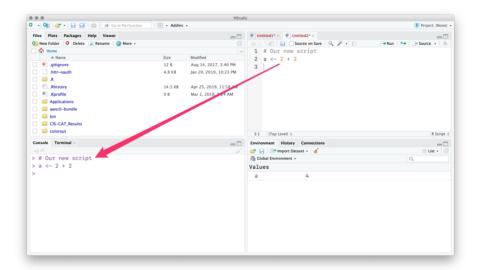


Figure 1.7: Console output

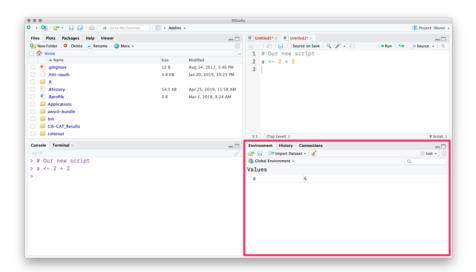


Figure 1.8: Environment pane

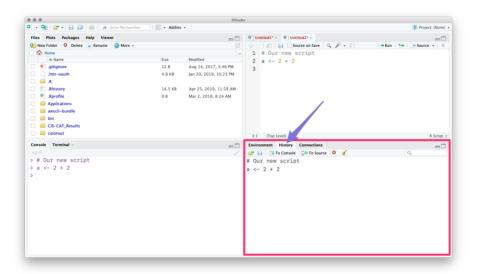


Figure 1.9: History pane

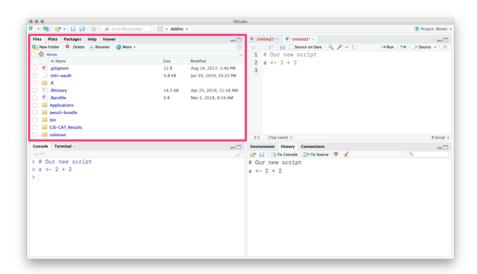


Figure 1.10: Files pane

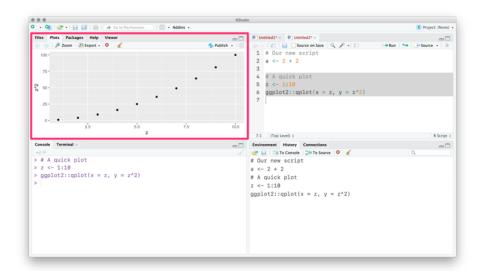


Figure 1.11: Plots pane

The Plots pane/tab shows... plots.

Packages shows installed packages

Packages shows installed packages and whether they are loaded.

The Help tab shows help documentation (also accessible via ?).

1.11 RStudio Addins

Finally, you can customize the actual layout

RStudio can be further enhanced by so called "addins". These are clickable snippets that execute certain actions in RStudio.

They aim to make repetitive tasks easier and to save you time. There is an addin called addinslist which lists all available addins. It can be installed as a normal package from CRAN:

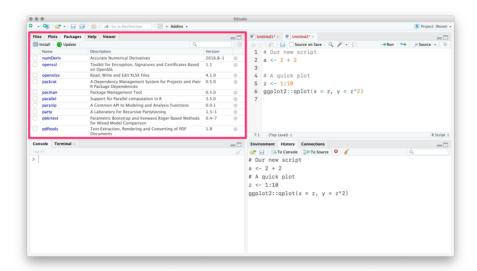


Figure 1.12: Packages pane

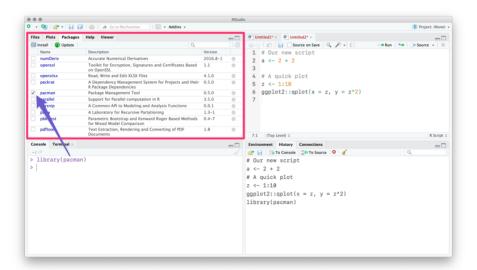


Figure 1.13: Loaded and installed packages

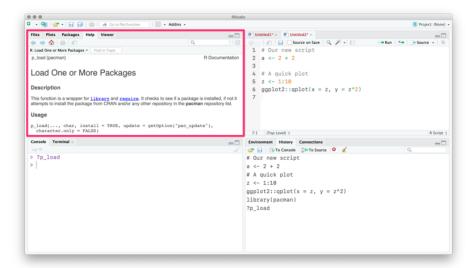


Figure 1.14: Help pane

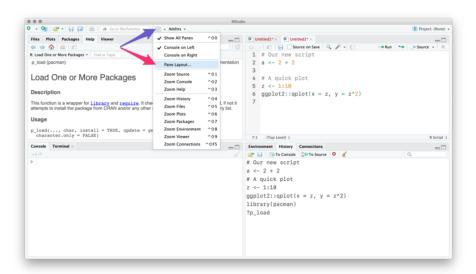


Figure 1.15: Customize layout

install.packages("addinslist")

To have an addin available in RStudio after installation, RStudio needs to be restarted.

1.12 RStudio projects

Without a project, you will need to define **long** file paths which **only exist on your machine**.

```
sample_df <- read.csv("/Users/<yourname>/somewhere/on/this/machine/sample.csv")
```

With a project, R automatically references the project's folder as the current working directory.

From there on, you can use relative paths to point to files.

```
sample_df <- read.csv("sample.csv")</pre>
```

Double-plus bonus: The *here* package extends *RStudio project* philosophy even more and helps in cases when not using RStudio (e.g. on the command line).

1.13 Alternatives to RStudio

- Using R directly in the terminal via radian (optimized R console interpreter)
- R is supported in other "general purpose IDE's" (VScode, Sublime Text, Atom, Vim, etc.)

Chapter 2

Visualization Basics {ggplot2}

Embracing the grammar of graphics.

This chapter discusses plotting with the ggplot2 package.

2.1 Introduction

Click here to show setup code.

library(tidyverse)

In the {tidyverse} the standard package for visualization is {ggplot2}. The functions of this package follow a quite unique logic (the "grammar of graphics") and therefore require a special syntax. In this section we want to give a short introduction, how to get started with {ggplot2}.

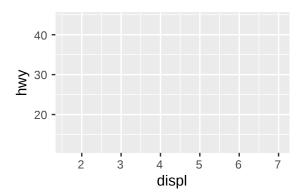
2.1.1 Creating the plot skeleton: ggplot()

The main function in the package is ggplot(), which prepares/creates a graph. By setting the arguments of the function, you can:

- 1. Choose the dataset to be plotted (argument data)
- 2. Choose the mapping of the variables to the axes (or further forms of setting apart data) in the argument mapping. This argument takes the result of the function aes(), which you will get to know in many different examples.

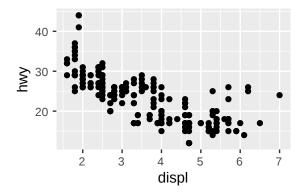
```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
```

```
mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
```



This created only an empty plot, because we did not tell {ggplot2} which geometry we want to use to display the variables we set in the ggplot() call. We do this by adding (with the help of the + operator after the ggplot()-call) a different function starting with geom_ to provide this information.

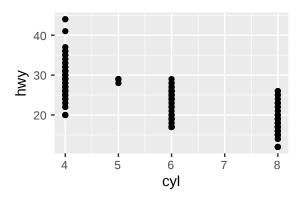
```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
) +
  geom_point()
```



This is maybe the most basic plot you can create. To map a different variable than disp to the x-axis, change the respective variable name in the aes() argument.

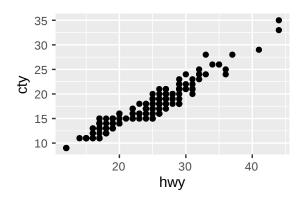
```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(x = cyl, y = hwy)
) +
```

geom_point()



You can exchange the variables to be plotted freely, without changing anything else to the rest of the code.

```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(x = hwy, y = cty)
) +
  geom_point()
```



Always good to have: The *ggplot2* cheatsheet (https://github.com/rstudio/cheatsheets/blob/master/data-visualization-2.1.pdf).

2.1.2 What is a "statistical graphic"?

Wilkinson (2005) defines a grammar to describe the basic elements of a statistical graphic:

"[...] a statistical graphic is a mapping from data to aesthetic attributes (colour, shape, size) of geometric objects (points, line, bars)."

(Wickham, 2009)

2.1.3 Terminology

- **Data:** The data to visualize consists of variables and observations.
- **Geoms:** Geometric objects which represent the data (points, lines, polygons, etc.).
- Mappings: Match variables with aesthetic attributes of the (geometric) objects.
- Scales: Mapping of the "data units" to "physical units" of the geometric objects (e.g. length, diameter or color); defines the *legend*.
- Coord: System of coordinates, mapping of the data to a two dimensional plain of the graphic; defines the *axes* and *grid*.
- **Stats:** Statistical transformation of the data (5 point summary, classification, etc.).
- Facetting: Division and illustration of data subsets, also known as "Trellis" images.

2.1.4 The Grammar of graphics ...

is ...

a formal guideline which describes the dependencies between all elements of a statistical graphic.

isn't ...

- a manual which tells us which graphic should be created for a given question.
- a specification how a statistical graphic should look like.

2.1.5 About {ggplot2}

```
## Package: ggplot2
## Version: 3.2.1
## Title: Create Elegant Data Visualisations Using the Grammar of Graphics
## Depends: R (>= 3.2)
## Imports: digest, grDevices, grid, gtable (>= 0.1.1), lazyeval, MASS, mgcv,
## reshape2, rlang (>= 0.3.0), scales (>= 0.5.0), stats, tibble,
## viridisLite, withr (>= 2.0.0)
## License: GPL-2 | file LICENSE
## URL: http://ggplot2.tidyverse.org, https://github.com/tidyverse/ggplot2
```

```
## BugReports: https://github.com/tidyverse/ggplot2/issues
## Encoding: UTF-8
## Author: Hadley Wickham [aut, cre], Winston Chang [aut], Lionel Henry [aut],
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## Kara Woo [aut], Hiroaki Yutani [aut], RStudio [cph]
## Maintainer: Hadley Wickham <hadley@rstudio.com>
##
## -- File:
```

2.2 geom_* functions

geom_* functions are added to the main ggplot() call via the "+" operator and (usually) placed on a new line.

A list of all available "geoms" can be found here:

https://ggplot2.tidyverse.org/reference/#section-layer-geoms

The most popular ones are

- geom_point()
- geom_histogram()
- geom_boxplot()
- geom_bar()

The geom_* family can be divided into three parts:

One variable plots

- geom_hist()
- geom_bar()
- etc.

Two variable plots

- geom_point()
- geom_line()
- geom_boxplot()
- etc.

Three variables plots

- geom_raster()
- geom_sf()
- geom_tile()
- etc.

2.2.1 Arguments

```
ggplot(data, mapping = aes(), ...) +
  geom_XXX(mapping = NULL, data = NULL, stat, ...)
```

geom_* functions have the same basic arguments as ggplot(). In addition, they come with more arguments specific to the respective "geom".

stat

The stat parameter defines a statistical transformation:

- if set to "identity": No transformation
- if set to boxplot: Boxplot transformation
- etc.

position

The same applies to the **position** argument. In the example below, points are not adjusted and just visualized where they appear in the data.

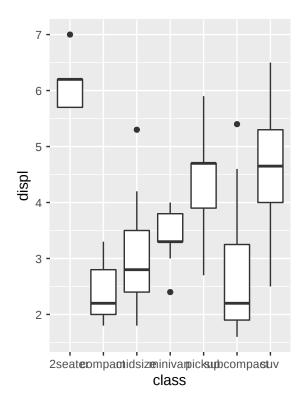
In the case of boxplots, a special position arrangement function is used to arrange everything nicely: position_dodge2() (here denoted by position = "dodge2").

```
geom_point(mapping = NULL, data = NULL, stat = "identity",
   position = "identity", ..., na.rm = FALSE, show.legend = NA,
   inherit.aes = TRUE)

geom_boxplot(mapping = NULL, data = NULL, stat = "boxplot",
   position = "dodge2", ..., outlier.colour = NULL,
   outlier.color = NULL, outlier.fill = NULL, outlier.shape = 19,
   outlier.size = 1.5, outlier.stroke = 0.5, outlier.alpha = NULL,
   notch = FALSE, notchwidth = 0.5, varwidth = FALSE, na.rm = FALSE,
   show.legend = NA, inherit.aes = TRUE)
```

geom_boxplot() needs one variable to be of class character or factor (better)
to initiate the grouping.

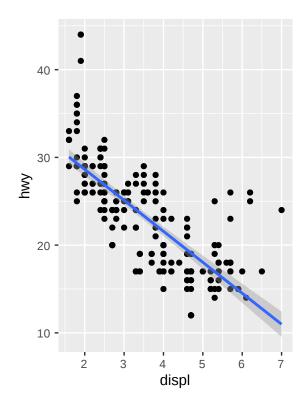
```
class(mpg$class)
## [1] "character"
ggplot(mpg, aes(x = class, y = displ)) +
   geom_boxplot()
```



2.2.2 Combining geoms

Multiple geom_* functions can be used in one plot. A combination that is often used together is geom_point() and geom_smooth()

```
ggplot(mpg, aes(x = displ, y = hwy)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm")
```



Unless specified differently in the <code>geom_*()</code> call, all geoms will use the same variables.

2.2.3 Summary

The modular principle of ggplot2 enables:

- the combination of any geometric objects (geoms).
- a high flexibility and customizability

An extensive description of all geometric objects can be found on the ggplot2 website https://ggplot2.tidyverse.org/reference/.

2.3 Export & saving

The default way to export plots in {{ggplot2}} is by using ggsave().

It differs slightly from other "exporting" functions in R because it comes with some smart defaults:

ggsave() is a convenient function for saving a plot. It defaults to saving the last plot that you displayed, using the size of the current graphics device. It also guesses the type of graphics device from the extension.

```
ggplot(mtcars, aes(mpg, wt)) +
    geom_point()

ggsave("mtcars.pdf")

## Saving 3 x 2 in image

ggsave("mtcars.png")

## Saving 3 x 2 in image
```

This might seem natural to you but is is not. Let's compare base R and $\{\{ggplot2\}\}\$.

2.3.1 Base R vs. $\{\{ggplot2\}\}$

In base R

- one needs to open a specific graphic device first
- then create the plot
- and close the graphic device again.

```
png("Plot.png")
plot(mpg$displ, mpg$hwy)
dev.off()
ggplot(mpg, aes(disply, hwy)) +
  geom_point()
ggsave("Plot.png")
```

Base R plotting functions come with suboptimal defaults

- saving in pixels (differs on every monitors)
- saving as a square image
- no option to specify the DPI (dots per inch)

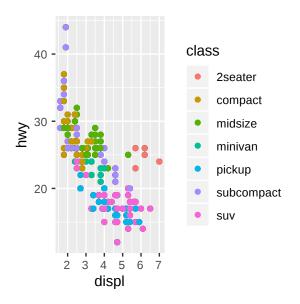
2.3.2 Storing the plot as an R object

One of the major advantages of ggplot() is that you can save a plot as an R object and modify it later.

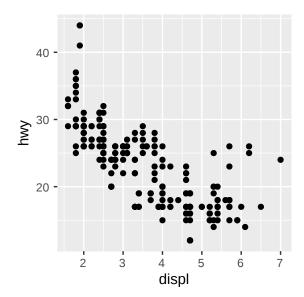
This is not possible with base R plots.

```
p <- ggplot(mpg, aes(displ, hwy)) +
  geom_point()</pre>
```

p + geom_point(aes(color = class))



print(p)



str(p)

```
## List of 9
                 :Classes 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame': 234 obs. of 11 variables:
## $ data
     ..$ manufacturer: chr [1:234] "audi" "audi" "audi" "audi" ...
                     : chr [1:234] "a4" "a4" "a4" "a4" ...
     ..$ model
                     : num [1:234] 1.8 1.8 2 2 2.8 2.8 3.1 1.8 1.8 2 ...
##
     ..$ displ
##
     ..$ year
                     : int [1:234] 1999 1999 2008 2008 1999 1999 2008 1999 1999 2008 ...
##
                     : int [1:234] 4 4 4 4 6 6 6 4 4 4 ...
     ..$ cyl
                     : chr [1:234] "auto(15)" "manual(m5)" "manual(m6)" "auto(av)" ...
##
     ..$ trans
                     : chr [1:234] "f" "f" "f" "f" ...
##
     ..$ drv
##
                     : int [1:234] 18 21 20 21 16 18 18 18 16 20 ...
     ..$ cty
##
     ..$ hwy
                    : int [1:234] 29 29 31 30 26 26 27 26 25 28 ...
##
     ..$ fl
                     : chr [1:234] "p" "p" "p" "p" ...
                     : chr [1:234] "compact" "compact" "compact" ...
##
     ..$ class
   $ layers
                 :List of 1
##
     ..$ :Classes 'LayerInstance', 'Layer', 'ggproto', 'gg' <ggproto object: Class LayerInstance
##
       aes_params: list
##
       compute_aesthetics: function
##
       compute_geom_1: function
##
       compute_geom_2: function
##
       compute_position: function
##
       compute_statistic: function
##
       data: waiver
##
       draw_geom: function
##
       finish_statistics: function
##
       geom: <ggproto object: Class GeomPoint, Geom, gg>
##
           aesthetics: function
##
           default_aes: uneval
##
           draw group: function
##
           draw_key: function
##
           draw_layer: function
##
           draw_panel: function
##
           extra_params: na.rm
##
           handle_na: function
##
           non_missing_aes: size shape colour
##
           optional_aes:
##
           parameters: function
##
           required_aes: x y
##
           setup_data: function
##
           use_defaults: function
##
           super: <ggproto object: Class Geom, gg>
##
       geom_params: list
##
       inherit.aes: TRUE
##
       layer_data: function
##
       map_statistic: function
##
       mapping: NULL
       position: <ggproto object: Class PositionIdentity, Position, gg>
##
```

```
##
           compute_layer: function
##
           compute_panel: function
##
           required_aes:
##
           setup_data: function
##
           setup_params: function
##
           super: <ggproto object: Class Position, gg>
##
       print: function
##
       setup_layer: function
##
       show.legend: NA
##
       stat: <ggproto object: Class StatIdentity, Stat, gg>
##
           aesthetics: function
##
           compute_group: function
##
           compute_layer: function
##
           compute_panel: function
##
           default_aes: uneval
##
           extra_params: na.rm
##
           finish_layer: function
##
           non_missing_aes:
##
           parameters: function
##
           required_aes:
##
           retransform: TRUE
##
           setup_data: function
##
           setup_params: function
##
           super: <ggproto object: Class Stat, gg>
##
       stat_params: list
##
       super: <ggproto object: Class Layer, gg>
## $ scales
                 :Classes 'ScalesList', 'ggproto', 'gg' <ggproto object: Class ScalesL
##
       add: function
       clone: function
##
##
      find: function
##
       get_scales: function
##
      has_scale: function
##
       input: function
##
      n: function
##
       non_position_scales: function
##
       scales: list
##
       super: <ggproto object: Class ScalesList, gg>
## $ mapping
                 :List of 2
##
    ..$ x: language ~displ
    ....- attr(*, ".Environment")=<environment: R_GlobalEnv>
##
    ..$ y: language ~hwy
    ...- attr(*, ".Environment")=<environment: R_GlobalEnv>
    ..- attr(*, "class")= chr "uneval"
##
## $ theme
                 : list()
## $ coordinates:Classes 'CoordCartesian', 'Coord', 'ggproto', 'gg' <ggproto object:
##
       aspect: function
```

```
##
       backtransform_range: function
##
       clip: on
##
       default: TRUE
##
       distance: function
##
       expand: TRUE
##
       is_free: function
##
       is_linear: function
       labels: function
##
       limits: list
##
##
       modify_scales: function
##
       range: function
##
       render_axis_h: function
##
       render_axis_v: function
##
       render_bg: function
##
       render_fg: function
##
       setup_data: function
##
       setup_layout: function
##
       setup_panel_params: function
##
       setup_params: function
##
       transform: function
       super: <ggproto object: Class CoordCartesian, Coord, gg>
##
## $ facet
                 :Classes 'FacetNull', 'Facet', 'ggproto', 'gg' <ggproto object: Class FacetNull,
##
       compute_layout: function
##
       draw_back: function
##
       draw_front: function
##
       draw_labels: function
##
       draw_panels: function
##
       finish_data: function
##
       init_scales: function
##
       map_data: function
##
       params: list
##
       setup_data: function
##
       setup_params: function
##
       shrink: TRUE
##
       train_scales: function
##
       vars: function
       super: <ggproto object: Class FacetNull, Facet, gg>
##
## $ plot_env
                 :<environment: R_GlobalEnv>
   $ labels
##
                 :List of 2
##
    ..$ x: chr "displ"
##
    ..$ y: chr "hwy"
## - attr(*, "class")= chr [1:2] "gg" "ggplot"
```

2.3.3 Best practices for exporting

Some best practices:

- Use a reasonable high DPI. A value of "300" is ok in most cases.
- Save in "inches" and not in "pixels". The latter always differs on screens with different resolutions (png() uses pixels by default.)
- Always specify a file name to ensure the right plot is chosen. Do not rely on the default behavior of ggsave() (even though it might seem convenient) which takes the last visualized plot.
- An alternative to ggsave() is cowplot::save_plot() which comes with sensible defaults for multi-plot arrangements.

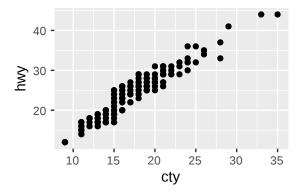
2.4 Two variable plots

"Two variable plots" can be split into sub-categories:

- Continuous X and Y
- Continuous X and discrete Y (and vice-versa)
- Discrete X and Y

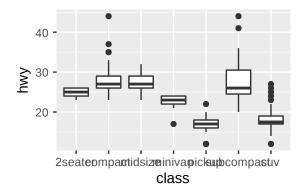
2.4.1 Continuous X and Y

```
ggplot(mpg, aes(x = cty, y = hwy)) +
  geom_point()
```



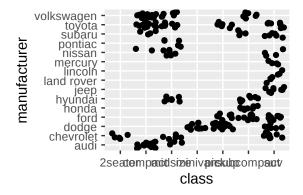
2.4.2 Discrete X and continuous Y

```
ggplot(mpg, aes(x = class, y = hwy)) +
  geom_boxplot()
```



2.4.3 Discrete X and Y

```
ggplot(mpg, aes(x = class, y = manufacturer)) +
  geom_jitter()
```



2.5 One variable plots

This type of plots visualizes ONE variable in a certain way.

To do this in a 2D space, a **statistical transformation** of the variable is required for the missing axis.

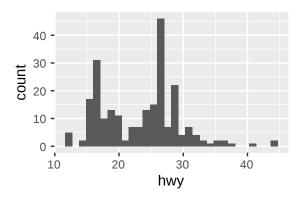
2.5.1 Continuous variables

- Histogram: Most common way grouping the variable into equal bins
- geom_density(), geom_freq(), geom_dotplot() and geom_area() are mainly doing the same as geom_hist()

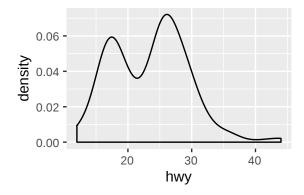
We supply only *one* variable to the mapping argument with the help of aes(). This one is automatically grouped into 30 bins.

```
ggplot(mpg, aes(x = hwy)) +
  geom_histogram()

## `stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with
## `binwidth`.
```



```
ggplot(mpg, aes(x = hwy)) +
  geom_density()
```

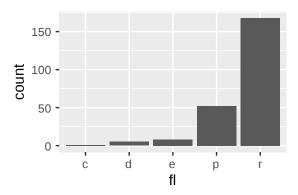


2.5.2 Discrete variables

For discrete data, there is actually only one visualization method - the bar plot.

Note the difference of geom_bar() compared to geom_hist().

```
ggplot(mpg, aes(fl)) +
  geom_bar()
```



2.6 Colors and shape

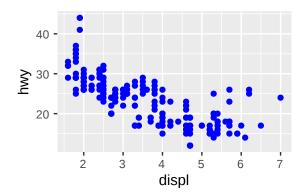
Click here to show setup code.

```
library(tidyverse)
```

2.6.1 Static colors

There are many ways to set a color for a specific geom. The simplest is to set all observations of a geom to a dedicated color, supplied as a character value.

```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
) +
  geom_point(
    color = "blue"
)
```



2.6.2 Dynamic colors

Dynamic colors, which depend on a variable of the dataset, need to be passed within an aes() call. A direct specification like in the example above with color = "blue" only works for static colors.

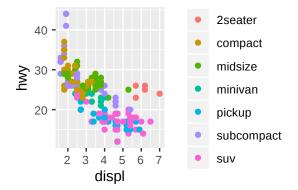
Good to know: While it is possible to include color = class directly in the aes() call of the ggplot() function, it is recommended to set it within the particular geom. This is for two reasons:

- When working with multiple geoms, you can use different mappings for each geom without any possibility of conflicts
- When reading the code, it becomes more clear which settings apply to which geoms

Discrete

Different colors can be mapped to the values of a variable by supplying a variable of the dataset. The class variable is discrete and leads to a discrete color scale.

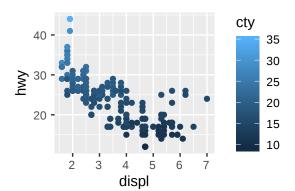
```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
) +
  geom_point(aes(color = class))
```



Continuous

The cty attribute is continuous, the color scale is adapted accordingly.

```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
) +
  geom_point(aes(color = cty))
```

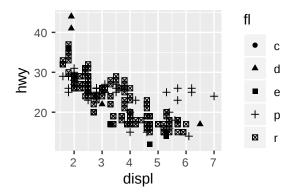


2.6.3 Shape

One more degree of freedom is the shape of the symbols to be plotted.

```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(
    x = displ,
    y = hwy
)
```

```
) +
  geom_point(aes(shape = fl))
```



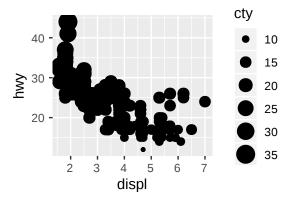
2.6.4 Combining color and shape

Color and shape can be combined.

And last but not least, the size of the plotted symbols can be linked to numeric values of the mapped variable.

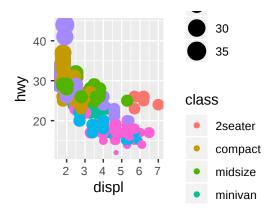
```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
```

```
mapping = aes(
    x = displ,
    y = hwy,
    size = cty
)
) +
    geom_point()
```



You can mix different aesthetic mappings in order to produce a plot with densely packed information. However, be aware that adding too much information to a plot does not necessarily make it better.

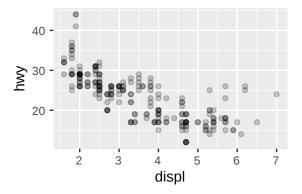
```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(
    x = displ,
    y = hwy,
    color = class,
    size = cty
)
) +
  geom_point()
```



2.6.5 Transparency

Semi-transparency is another way to better display your data when observations are overlapping. This is useful to get an impression of how many data points share the same coordinates.

```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(
    x = displ,
    y = hwy
  )
) +
  geom_point(alpha = 0.2)
```



2.6.6 What can go wrong

If you try to specify a color in the mapping-argument of the main ggplot() call, you will face an error since a mapping of a variable to an aesthetic is expected.

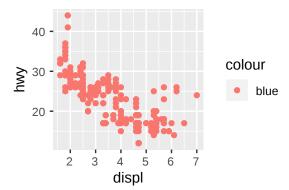
```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(
    x = displ,
    y = hwy,
    color = blue
)
) +
  geom_point()
## Error in FUN(X[[i]], ...): object 'blue' not found
```

R treats objects without quotation marks in a special way, expecting them to be variables. Since blue is not a variable of mpg, this did not work. Use quotation marks if you mean a string, as opposed to a variable or object name.

```
mpg
## # A tibble: 234 x 11
##
     manufacturer model displ year
                                       cyl trans drv
                                                         cty
                                                               hwy
##
                  <chr> <dbl> <int> <chr> <chr> <chr> <int> <int>
## 1 audi
                                                                 29
                  a4
                          1.8 1999
                                         4 auto~ f
                                                          18
## 2 audi
                          1.8 1999
                                         4 manu~ f
                                                          21
                                                                 29
                  a4
                                                          20
## 3 audi
                          2
                                2008
                                         4 manu~ f
                                                                 31
                  a4
## # ... with 231 more rows, and 2 more variables: fl <chr>,
## #
     class <chr>
"mpg"
## [1] "mpg"
```

So what if we pass the color as a character variable?

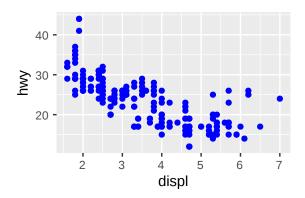
```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(
    x = displ,
    y = hwy,
    color = "blue"
  )
) +
  geom_point()
```



At least there was no error, but now the constant value blue is mapped to the first default color of the color mapping, which happens to be red. We could have been fooled, if it had been blue. Recall, it is best to specify geom related mappings with the respective geom function.

```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(
    x = displ,
    y = hwy
  )
) +
  geom_point(
    color = "blue"
)
```

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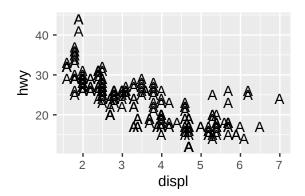
2.7 Labels

Click here to show setup code.

```
library(tidyverse)
```

For character variables there is further way of integrating its value to a plot. <code>geom_text()</code> takes a <code>label</code> argument, which influences the plot in the following way.

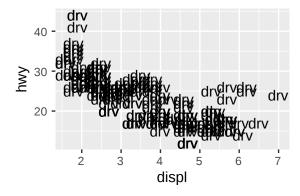
```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
) +
  geom_text(label = "A")
```



Let's try to map this argument to a variable (here: drv) of our dataset in the mapping argument of ggplot().

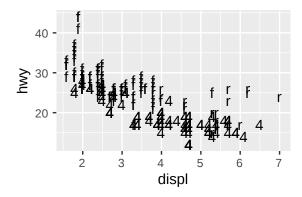
```
ggplot(
```

```
data = mpg,
mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
) +
geom_text(label = "drv")
```



Right, of course we need to pass the variable without quotation marks, otherwise it is interpreted as a (constant) character variable. When changing this, a vector with the values of the variable is passed on to <code>geom_text()</code>. This is one way of including the values of character variables in a plot.

```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
) +
  geom_text(aes(label = drv))
```

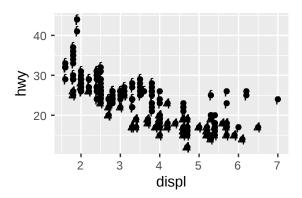


When adding more than one <code>geom()</code>-function, multiple geometries are added to the plot. However, because <code>geom_point()</code> has no support for passing a label, we can only use this mapping in <code>geom_text()</code>.

```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
```

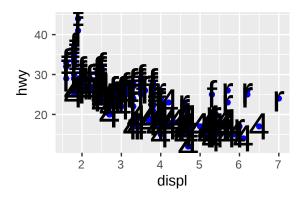
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```
mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_text(aes(label = drv))
```

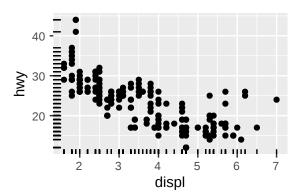


Since this looks just slightly odd, let's try to make it more apparent, what is happening.

```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
) +
  geom_point(color = "blue") +
  geom_text(aes(label = drv), size = 10)
```



```
ggplot(
  data = mpg,
  mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)
) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_rug()
```



Chapter 3

Transformation

Using a consistent grammar of data manipulation.

This chapter discusses data transformation with the dplyr package.

3.1 Package: {conflicted}

Click here to show setup code.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")
```

[conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package

This section is dedicated to show you the basic building blocks (i.e. functions) of data analysis in R within the {tidyverse}. The package providing these is {dplyr}.

Before starting, we would like to mention the package {conflicted}, which when loaded, will help detecting functions of the same name from different packages (an error is thrown in case of such situations). It furthermore helps to resolve these situations, by allowing you to choose, the function of which package you prefer (conflicted::conflict_prefer()). You can see an example in the setup code.

3.2 Filtering: dplyr::filter()

Click here to show setup code.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)

library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference
## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
```

During this lecture we will be working with data from the package {nycflights13}, which contains flights in the year 2013 with their departure in New York City (airports: JFK, LGA or EWR) to destinations in the United States, Puerto Rico, and the American Virgin Islands.

flights

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 19
##
      year month
                    day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                           <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                                                               <int>
## 1
                                             515
                                                         2
     2013
               1
                      1
                             517
                                                                 830
## 2
      2013
               1
                      1
                             533
                                             529
                                                          4
                                                                 850
## 3
                                                          2
      2013
               1
                      1
                             542
                                             540
                                                                 923
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows, and 12 more variables:
       sched arr time <int>, arr delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>
?flights
```

?flights

The function dplyr::filter() helps you to reduce your dataset to the observations (rows) of interest. The filter condition can use any of the dataset's variables and needs to be a logical expression.

```
flights %>%
  filter(dep_time < 600)</pre>
## # A tibble: 8,730 x 19
      year month
                    day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                           <int>
                                                      <dbl>
                                                               <int>
## 1 2013
                                                          2
                                                                 830
               1
                             517
                                             515
                      1
## 2
      2013
                                             529
                                                          4
                                                                 850
               1
                      1
                             533
## 3 2013
               1
                      1
                             542
                                             540
                                                          2
                                                                 923
## # ... with 8,727 more rows, and 12 more variables:
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>
```

flights %>%

If you use one or more variables of the dataset in the filter condition, a vectorized evaluation of the condition is taking place. Generally you can provide any logical vector with a length equal to the number of rows (or alternatively equal to 1, if you want to keep/drop all rows).

```
filter(is.na(dep_time))
## # A tibble: 8,255 x 19
      year month day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                                                              <int>
                                          <int>
## 1 2013
                     1
                              NA
                                           1630
                                                        NA
## 2 2013
                     1
                              NA
                                           1935
                                                        NA
                                                                 NA
               1
## 3
     2013
               1
                     1
                              NA
                                           1500
                                                        NA
                                                                 NA
## # ... with 8,252 more rows, and 12 more variables:
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
       time_hour <dttm>
Use & or multiple filters to return only rows that match both criteria:
flights %>%
  filter(dep_time < 600 & arr_time > 2200)
## # A tibble: 0 x 19
## # ... with 19 variables: year <int>, month <int>, day <int>,
       dep_time <int>, sched_dep_time <int>, dep_delay <dbl>,
       arr time <int>, sched arr time <int>, arr delay <dbl>,
       carrier <chr>, flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>,
## #
## #
       dest <chr>, air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>,
       minute <dbl>, time_hour <dttm>
flights %>%
  filter(dep_time >= 700 & arr_time < 800)</pre>
## # A tibble: 10,654 x 19
##
      year month
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                          <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                                                              <int>
## 1 2013
                                           1920
                                                         9
               1
                     1
                            1929
                                                                  3
## 2 2013
                     1
                            1939
                                           1840
                                                        59
                                                                 29
## 3 2013
                     1
                            2058
                                           2100
                                                        -2
                                                                  8
               1
## # ... with 1.065e+04 more rows, and 12 more variables:
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
       time_hour <dttm>
flights %>%
  filter(dep_time >= 700) %>%
```

```
filter(arr_time < 800)</pre>
## # A tibble: 10,654 x 19
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
      year month
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                          <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                                                              <int>
## 1 2013
               1
                     1
                            1929
                                           1920
                                                         9
                                                                  3
## 2 2013
                            1939
                                           1840
                                                        59
                                                                 29
## 3 2013
                            2058
                                           2100
                                                        -2
                                                                  8
               1
                     1
## # ... with 1.065e+04 more rows, and 12 more variables:
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
       time_hour <dttm>
Use | to return all rows that match either criterion or both:
flights %>%
  filter(dep_time < 600 | arr_time > 2200)
## # A tibble: 40,879 x 19
      year month
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
                           <int>
                                                     <dbl>
     <int> <int> <int>
                                          <int>
                                                              <int>
## 1
     2013
               1
                     1
                             517
                                             515
                                                         2
                                                                 830
## 2 2013
                             533
                                             529
                                                         4
                                                                850
               1
                      1
## 3 2013
               1
                      1
                             542
                                             540
                                                                923
## # ... with 4.088e+04 more rows, and 12 more variables:
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time hour <dttm>
```

3.3 Sort rows: dplyr::arrange()

Click here to show setup code.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)

library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference
## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
```

The function dplyr::arrange() sorts the rows of the dataset according to the values of the variable(s) you are providing.

2 2013

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```
flights %>%
  arrange(dep_time)
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 19
##
      year month
                    day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                           <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                                                              <int>
## 1
     2013
                    13
                               1
                                            2249
                                                        72
                                                                108
## 2
     2013
                    31
                               1
                                            2100
                                                       181
                                                                124
## 3 2013
                    13
                                            2359
                                                         2
              11
                               1
                                                                442
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows, and 12 more variables:
       sched arr time <int>, arr delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>
```

When providing multiple variables as arguments for ... (the ellipsis), the dataset is first sorted according to the values of the first variable. Wherever these values occur more than once, another sorting takes place within those groups, according to the second variable you provided. The same rule applies for every further variable you add to arrange().

```
flights %>%
  arrange(dep_time, dep_delay)
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 19
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
      vear month
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                                           <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                           <int>
                                                              <int>
## 1
      2013
              11
                     13
                               1
                                            2359
                                                         2
                                                                 442
                                                         2
## 2
      2013
              12
                     16
                               1
                                            2359
                                                                 447
## 3
      2013
              12
                     20
                               1
                                            2359
                                                         2
                                                                 430
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows, and 12 more variables:
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>
You can combine filter() and arrange().
flights %>%
  filter(dep_time < 600) %>%
  filter(month >= 10) %>%
  arrange(dep_time, dep_delay) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 1,894 x 19
##
      year month
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                                                              <int>
                                           <int>
## 1 2013
              11
                     13
                               1
                                            2359
                                                         2
                                                                 442
```

1

2359

2

447

```
## 3
     2013
              12
                    20
                                           2359
                                                         2
                                                                430
                               1
## # ... with 1,891 more rows, and 12 more variables:
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time hour <dttm>
You can use arrange() with arbitrary expressions.
flights %>%
  filter(month == 4) %>%
  filter(day == 1) %>%
  arrange(is.na(dep_time)) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 970 x 19
      year month
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                          <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                                                              <int>
## 1 2013
               4
                             454
                                            500
                                                        -6
                                                                636
                     1
## 2 2013
               4
                     1
                             509
                                            515
                                                        -6
                                                                743
## 3 2013
               4
                     1
                             526
                                            530
                                                        -4
                                                                812
## # ... with 967 more rows, and 12 more variables:
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time hour <dttm>
```

The reason for the result you just saw in the view of the filtered dataset is, that the binary result of the expression (TRUE, FALSE) is sorted FALSE first (lexicographically).

Let's give it a twist:

```
flights %>%
  filter(month == 4) %>%
  filter(day == 1) %>%
  arrange(!is.na(dep_time)) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 970 x 19
      year month
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                          <int>
                                          <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                                                              <int>
     2013
## 1
               4
                     1
                              NA
                                           1125
                                                        NA
                                                                 NA
## 2 2013
               4
                     1
                              NA
                                           1545
                                                        NA
                                                                 NA
## 3 2013
               4
                     1
                              NA
                                            850
                                                        NA
                                                                 NA
## # ... with 967 more rows, and 12 more variables:
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
```

#

```
time_hour <dttm>
Sorting the dataset according to which flights arrived earliest on April 1, 2013:
flights %>%
  filter(month == 4) %>%
  filter(day == 1) %>%
  arrange(arr_time) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 970 x 19
##
      year month
                    day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
                                                      <dbl>
                                                                <int>
     <int> <int> <int>
                            <int>
                                            <int>
## 1 2013
                4
                      1
                             2243
                                             2245
                                                          -2
                                                                    6
## 2
      2013
                4
                      1
                             2056
                                             1925
                                                          91
                                                                    8
## 3
      2013
                      1
                             2216
                                             2100
                                                          76
                                                                    9
## # ... with 967 more rows, and 12 more variables:
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
       time_hour <dttm>
Invert the sorting by either...
flights %>%
  filter(month == 4) %>%
  filter(day == 1) %>%
  arrange(-arr_time) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 970 x 19
      year month
                    day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
     <int> <int> <int>
                                                      <dbl>
##
                            <int>
                                            <int>
                                                                <int>
## 1 2013
                4
                             2027
                                             2032
                                                          -5
                                                                 2358
                      1
## 2 2013
                4
                      1
                             2151
                                             1930
                                                        141
                                                                 2358
## 3
                4
                             2252
                                                                 2358
      2013
                      1
                                             2245
\mbox{\tt \#\# \# \# \dots \ with 967 more rows, and 12 more variables:}
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>
... or:
flights %>%
  filter(month == 4) %>%
  filter(day == 1) %>%
  arrange(desc(arr_time)) %>%
  view()
```

```
## # A tibble: 970 x 19
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
      year month
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                          <int>
                                          <int>
                                                    <dbl>
                                                              <int>
## 1 2013
               4
                     1
                           2027
                                           2032
                                                       -5
                                                               2358
## 2 2013
                           2151
                                           1930
                                                      141
                                                              2358
               4
                     1
## 3 2013
               4
                           2252
                                           2245
                                                               2358
## # ... with 967 more rows, and 12 more variables:
      sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time hour <dttm>
You can mix sorting in an ascending and a descending manner:
flights %>%
  filter(month == 4) %>%
  filter(day == 1) %>%
  arrange(dep_time, desc(arr_time)) %>%
 view()
## # A tibble: 970 x 19
     year month
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
     <int> <int> <int>
##
                          <int>
                                          <int>
                                                    <dbl>
                                                             <int>
## 1 2013
               4
                     1
                             454
                                            500
                                                       -6
                                                                636
## 2 2013
                            509
                                                       -6
               4
                     1
                                            515
                                                               743
## 3 2013
                     1
                            526
                                            530
                                                       -4
                                                               812
## # ... with 967 more rows, and 12 more variables:
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>
```

3.4 The pipe

Click here to show setup code.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)

library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
```

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We already heavily used it today, but what exactly are the characteristics of %>%, better known as "the pipe"?

```
early_flights <-
  flights %>%
  filter(dep_time < 600)</pre>
```

The above is just another way of writing:

```
early_flights <- filter(flights, dep_time < 600)</pre>
```

The manual describes this operator in detail:

```
?"%>%"
```

With the pipe, code can be read in a natural way, from left to right. The following snippet extracts

- 1. all early flights
- 2. from October till December,
- 3. ordered by departure time and then departure delay
- 4. and displays it.

Note how the reading corresponds to the code.

```
flights %>%
  filter(dep_time < 600) %>%
  filter(month >= 10) %>%
  arrange(dep_time, dep_delay) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 1,894 x 19
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
      year month
                          <int>
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                                          <int>
                                                    <dbl>
                                                             <int>
## 1 2013
                                           2359
                                                        2
                                                               442
              11
                    13
                              1
## 2 2013
              12
                    16
                                                        2
                                                               447
                              1
                                           2359
## 3 2013
                    20
                                           2359
              12
                              1
                                                               430
## # ... with 1,891 more rows, and 12 more variables:
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>
```

This is possible, because all transformation verbs (filter(), arrange(), view()) accept the main input (a tibble) as the first argument and also return a tibble.

The following three codes are equivalent, but are more difficult to write, to read and to maintain.

Naming is hard. Trying to give each intermediate result a name is exhausting. Introducing an additional step in this sequence of operations is prone to errors.

```
early_flights <- filter(flights, dep_time < 600)</pre>
early_flights_oct_dec <- filter(early_flights, month >= 10)
early_flights_oct_dec_sorted <- arrange(early_flights_oct_dec, dep_time, dep_delay)
view(early_flights_oct_dec_sorted)
## # A tibble: 1,894 x 19
##
      year month
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
     <int> <int> <int>
                        <int>
                                          <int>
                                                     <dbl>
## 1 2013
              11
                    13
                               1
                                           2359
                                                         2
                                                                442
## 2 2013
              12
                     16
                               1
                                           2359
                                                         2
                                                                447
## 3 2013
                    20
                                           2359
                                                         2
                                                                430
              12
                               1
## # ... with 1,891 more rows, and 12 more variables:
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time hour <dttm>
We can keep using the same variable, e.g. x, to avoid naming. This adds noise
compared to the pipe.
x <- flights
x <- filter(x, dep_time < 600)
x \leftarrow filter(x, month >= 10)
x <- arrange(x, dep_time, dep_delay)</pre>
view(x)
## # A tibble: 1,894 x 19
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
     year month
     <int> <int> <int>
                         <int>
                                         <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                                                              <int>
## 1 2013
              11
                    13
                               1
                                           2359
                                                         2
                                                                442
## 2 2013
              12
                     16
                               1
                                           2359
                                                         2
                                                                447
## 3 2013
              12
                    20
                               1
                                           2359
                                                                430
## # ... with 1,891 more rows, and 12 more variables:
```

We can avoid intermediate variables. This disconnects the verbs from their arguments and is very difficult to read.

sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,

flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,

air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,

```
view(
   arrange(
    filter(
      filter(
      flights,
      dep_time < 600
   ),
   month >= 10
```

time_hour <dttm>

#

#

#

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```
),
    dep_time, dep_delay
  )
)
## # A tibble: 1,894 x 19
##
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
      year month
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                          <int>
## 1 2013
                                                                442
              11
                    13
                                           2359
                                                         2
                               1
## 2
     2013
              12
                    16
                               1
                                           2359
                                                         2
                                                                447
## 3 2013
              12
                    20
                                                                430
                               1
                                           2359
## # ... with 1,891 more rows, and 12 more variables:
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>
```

3.4.1 Further advantages

)

When working on a code chunk consisting of subsequent transformations connected by pipes, it can be useful to end the pipeline with either I or view().

```
flights %>%
  filter(dep_time < 600) %>%
  filter(month >= 10) %>% I
## # A tibble: 1,894 x 19
      year month
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
## * <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                          <int>
                                                     <dbl>
                                                              <int>
## 1
     2013
              10
                     1
                             447
                                            500
                                                       -13
                                                                614
## 2 2013
              10
                      1
                             522
                                            517
                                                         5
                                                                735
## 3 2013
              10
                     1
                             536
                                            545
                                                        -9
                                                                809
## # ... with 1,891 more rows, and 12 more variables:
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
       time hour <dttm>
##arrange(dep_time, dep_delay) %>%
##view()
Once the chunk does what you expect it to do, do not forget to remove the I or
view() call.
  arrange(dep_time, dep_delay) %>%
  view()
```

Error in arrange(dep_time, dep_delay) : object 'dep_time' not found
To rearrange rows, you can use the shortcut Alt + Cursor up/down. In a piped
expression, no further editing is necessary!

3.5 Pick columns: dplyr::select()

```
Click here to show setup code.
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)
library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")
## [conflicted] Removing existing preference
## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
With dplyr::select() you can (de-)select and/or rename columns of your
dataset. The basic operation is like in the following examples:
flights %>%
  select(year, month, day)
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 3
##
      year month
                   day
##
     <int> <int> <int>
## 1 2013
               1
## 2 2013
               1
                      1
## 3 2013
               1
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows
flights %>%
  select(-year)
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 18
     month
             day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
     <int> <int>
                     <int>
                                    <int>
                                               <dbl>
                                                        <int>
## 1
                                                   2
                                                          830
         1
                       517
                                      515
               1
## 2
         1
                       533
                                      529
                                                   4
                                                          850
               1
## 3
         1
               1
                       542
                                      540
                                                          923
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows, and 12 more variables:
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>
```

Renaming works by addressing an existing column on the right hand side of an equality sign and providing the new name of the column on its left hand side.

```
flights %>%
 select(
   year, month, day,
   departure_delay = dep_delay,
   arrival_delay = arr_delay
 )
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 5
     year month day departure_delay arrival_delay
##
    <int> <int> <int>
                              <dbl>
                                           <dbl>
                                   2
## 1 2013
           1
                  1
                                                11
            1
## 2 2013
                    1
                                   4
                                                20
                                   2
## 3 2013
            1
                    1
                                                33
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows
```

With backticks, it is possible, but not advised, to use arbitrary characters (including spaces) in column names:

```
flights_with_spaces <-
  flights %>%
  select(
    year, month, day,
    `Departure delay` = dep_delay,
    `Arrival delay` = arr_delay
) %>%
  filter(
    `Arrival delay` < 0
)</pre>
```

Address them in the same way, if the dataset already has such variables:

```
flights_with_spaces %>%
 select(
   year, month, day,
   dep_delay = `Departure delay`,
   arr_delay = `Arrival delay`
 )
## # A tibble: 188,933 x 5
##
     year month day dep_delay arr_delay
##
    <int> <int> <int>
                      <dbl>
                                <dbl>
## 1 2013 1 1
                            -1
                                    -18
## 2 2013
            1
                            -6
                                     -25
                   1
           1
## 3 2013
                   1
                            -3
                                     -14
## # ... with 1.889e+05 more rows
```

The {janitor} package helps fixing issues with colum names automatically.

Select helpers allow selecting multiple related columns conveniently.

```
flights %>%
  select(origin, dest, ends_with("_time"))
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 7
    origin dest dep_time sched_dep_time arr_time sched_arr_time
     <chr> <chr>
                    <int>
                                   <int>
                                          <int>
## 1 EWR
           IAH
                                     515
                                              830
                                                             819
                      517
## 2 LGA
           IAH
                      533
                                     529
                                              850
                                                             830
## 3 JFK
           MIA
                      542
                                     540
                                              923
                                                             850
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows, and 1 more variable:
      air_time <dbl>
```

3.6 Create new columns based on old ones: dplyr::mutate()

Click here to show setup code.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)

library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
conflict_prefer("lag", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::lag over any other package
With dplyr::mutate() you can add new columns to a table, e.g. making use of
the already existing variables.
```

How much faster than the scheduled time did the pilots manage to fly:

```
flights %>%
 mutate(recovery = dep_delay - arr_delay)
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 20
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
##
     year month
     <int> <int> <int>
                                         <int>
                                                    <dbl>
                          <int>
                                                             <int>
## 1 2013
              1
                     1
                            517
                                           515
                                                       2
                                                              830
## 2 2013
               1
                     1
                            533
                                           529
                                                       4
                                                              850
## 3 2013
               1
                     1
                            542
                                           540
                                                       2
                                                              923
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows, and 13 more variables:
      sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
```

```
## #
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>, recovery <dbl>
This is another building block added to the toolset:
flights %>%
  mutate(recovery = dep_delay - arr_delay) %>%
  select(dep_delay, arr_delay, recovery)
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 3
##
     dep_delay arr_delay recovery
##
         <dbl>
                   <dbl>
                             <dbl>
## 1
             2
                                -9
                       11
## 2
             4
                       20
                               -16
## 3
             2
                               -31
                       33
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows
Work with the newly created variable just like with the original ones:
flights %>%
  mutate(recovery = dep_delay - arr_delay) %>%
  select(dep_delay, arr_delay, recovery) %>%
  arrange(recovery)
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 3
     dep_delay arr_delay recovery
##
         <dbl>
                   <dbl>
                             <dbl>
## 1
            -2
                      194
                              -196
            -2
## 2
                      179
                              -181
## 3
           180
                      345
                              -165
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows
Assign the results to new variables. The old ones remain unchanged.
recovery_data <-
  flights %>%
  mutate(recovery = dep_delay - arr_delay) %>%
  select(dep_delay, arr_delay, recovery) %>%
  arrange(recovery)
recovery_data
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 3
##
     dep_delay arr_delay recovery
##
         <dbl>
                   <dbl>
                             <dbl>
## 1
            -2
                      194
                              -196
## 2
            -2
                      179
                              -181
## 3
           180
                      345
                              -165
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows
```

Let's look at a single airplane:

... with 108 more rows

```
flights %>%
  filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
  select(year, month, day, dep_time, arr_time) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 111 x 5
##
      year month
                    day dep time arr time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                     <int>
## 1 2013
               1
                      1
                             517
                                       830
## 2 2013
               1
                      8
                            1435
                                      1717
## 3 2013
               1
                      9
                             717
                                       812
## # ... with 108 more rows
Adding the departure time of the next flight to the current row, respectively,
using mutate() with lead():
flights %>%
  filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
  select(year, month, day, dep_time, arr_time) %>%
 mutate(lead_dep_time = lead(dep_time)) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 111 x 6
##
                    day dep_time arr_time lead_dep_time
      year month
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                     <int>
                                                   <int>
## 1 2013
               1
                      1
                             517
                                       830
                                                     1435
## 2 2013
                      8
                            1435
                                      1717
                                                     717
               1
## 3 2013
               1
                      9
                             717
                                       812
                                                     1143
## # ... with 108 more rows
The opposite effect to lead() can be realized using lag():
flights %>%
  filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
  select(year, month, day, dep_time, arr_time) %>%
 mutate(lag_arr_time = lag(arr_time)) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 111 x 6
      year month
                    day dep_time arr_time lag_arr_time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
                                     <int>
                                                   <int>
## 1 2013
                             517
                                       830
               1
                      1
                                                     NA
## 2 2013
               1
                      8
                            1435
                                      1717
                                                     830
## 3 2013
               1
                      9
                             717
                                       812
                                                   1717
```

There is even a use-case for this in our little example. How long has our airplane been absent from NYC airports between each of its flights out?

```
flights %>%
  filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
  select(year, month, day, dep_time, arr_time) %>%
  mutate(lag_arr_time = lag(arr_time)) %>%
  mutate(ground_time = dep_time - lag_arr_time) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 111 x 7
      year month
                   day dep_time arr_time lag_arr_time ground_time
     <int> <int> <int>
                          <int>
                                    <int>
                                                 <int>
                                                             <int>
## 1 2013
                            517
                                     830
               1
                                                   NA
                                                                NA
                     1
## 2 2013
                                                   830
               1
                     8
                           1435
                                    1717
                                                               605
## 3 2013
                     9
                            717
                                     812
                                                  1717
                                                             -1000
               1
## # ... with 108 more rows
```

The negative values occur because not everything happens on the same day, implying that our method is still in need of some refinement. Nevertheless, let's continue.

A frequently used workflow is creating a helper variable at some point in the pipeline and then dropping it later on:

```
flights %>%
  filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
  select(year, month, day, dep_time, arr_time) %>%
  mutate(lag_arr_time = lag(arr_time)) %>%
  mutate(ground_time = dep_time - lag_arr_time) %>%
  select(-lag_arr_time)
## # A tibble: 111 x 6
##
      year month
                   day dep_time arr_time ground_time
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                          <int>
                                    <int>
                                                <int>
## 1 2013
               1
                     1
                            517
                                      830
                                                   NA
## 2 2013
                                                  605
                     8
                           1435
                                     1717
               1
## 3 2013
                                                -1000
               1
                     9
                            717
                                      812
## # ... with 108 more rows
```

Let's work some more with the flight data of our special plane.

```
flights %>%
  filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 111 x 19
      year month
                   day dep_time sched_dep_time dep_delay arr_time
                                         <int>
##
     <int> <int> <int>
                          <int>
                                                    <dbl>
                                                              <int>
## 1 2013
               1
                     1
                            517
                                            515
                                                        2
                                                                830
## 2 2013
               1
                     8
                            1435
                                           1440
                                                       -5
                                                              1717
                     9
## 3 2013
               1
                            717
                                            700
                                                       17
                                                                812
## # ... with 108 more rows, and 12 more variables:
```

1

11 TRUE

```
## #
       sched_arr_time <int>, arr_delay <dbl>, carrier <chr>,
       flight <int>, tailnum <chr>, origin <chr>, dest <chr>,
## #
## #
       air_time <dbl>, distance <dbl>, hour <dbl>, minute <dbl>,
## #
       time_hour <dttm>
The total air time of a plane up to and including a given flight can be calculated
with base::cumsum():
flights %>%
  filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
  mutate(cum_air_time = cumsum(air_time)) %>%
  select(air_time, cum_air_time) %>%
  view()
## # A tibble: 111 x 2
     air_time cum_air_time
##
##
        <dbl>
                      <dbl>
## 1
          227
                        227
## 2
          150
                        377
## 3
           39
                        416
## # ... with 108 more rows
Creating a "flag" variable with mutate() which shows if a flight was on time or
not:
flights %>%
  filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
  mutate(delayed = if_else(arr_delay > 0, "delayed", "on time")) %>%
  select(arr_delay, delayed)
## # A tibble: 111 x 2
##
     arr delay delayed
##
         <dbl> <chr>
## 1
            11 delayed
## 2
           -29 on time
## 3
            -3 on time
## # ... with 108 more rows
A more straightforward way to get the same (or at least a very similar and
probably easier to work with) result:
flights %>%
  filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
  mutate(delayed = arr_delay > 0) %>%
  select(arr_delay, delayed)
## # A tibble: 111 x 2
##
     arr_delay delayed
##
         <dbl> <lgl>
```

```
## 2
           -29 FALSE
## 3
           -3 FALSE
## # ... with 108 more rows
... easier to work with, because filter() can directly take logical arguments:
flights %>%
 filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
 mutate(delayed = arr_delay > 0) %>%
  select(arr_delay, delayed) %>%
  filter(delayed)
## # A tibble: 39 x 2
##
     arr_delay delayed
        <dbl> <lgl>
## 1
           11 TRUE
## 2
           39 TRUE
## 3
           54 TRUE
## # ... with 36 more rows
Negation for inverse filtering:
flights %>%
 filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
 mutate(delayed = arr_delay > 0) %>%
  select(arr_delay, delayed) %>%
 filter(!delayed)
## # A tibble: 72 x 2
     arr_delay delayed
         <dbl> <lgl>
##
## 1
          -29 FALSE
## 2
           -3 FALSE
          -20 FALSE
## # ... with 69 more rows
These are the flights that had no delay:
on_time_flights <-
 flights %>%
  filter(tailnum == "N14228") %>%
 mutate(delayed = arr_delay > 0) %>%
  select(arr_delay, delayed) %>%
  filter(!delayed)
```

3.7 Summarize data (by groups): dplyr::summarize(), dplyr::group_by() + dplyr::ungroup()

```
Click here to show setup code.
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)
library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")
## [conflicted] Removing existing preference
## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
conflict_prefer("lag", "dplyr")
## [conflicted] Removing existing preference
## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::lag over any other package
Often we want to draw just conclusions from larger datasets by gaining insight
by using statistical (or other) methods for summarizing – and thus drastically
reducing – the data: How much time did all planes spend in the air?
flights %>%
  select(air_time) %>%
  mutate(total_air_time = sum(air_time, na.rm = TRUE))
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 2
##
     air_time total_air_time
##
        <dbl>
                         <dbl>
## 1
           227
                     49326610
## 2
           227
                     49326610
## 3
           160
                     49326610
## # ... with 3.368e+05 more rows
The mutate() call adds a new variable with the same value across all rows. To
reduce the result to a single row, use summarize():
flights %>%
  summarize(total_air_time = sum(air_time, na.rm = TRUE))
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
##
     total air time
##
               <dbl>
## 1
           49326610
Simple counts can be computed with n() inside summarize():
flights %>%
  summarize(n = n())
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
##
          n
##
      <int>
## 1 336776
A variety of aggregate functions is supported:
flights %>%
  summarize(median = median(air_time, na.rm = TRUE))
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
    median
##
      <dbl>
## 1
        129
It's possible to produce two different summarizations at once:
flights %>%
  summarize(
    n = n()
    mean_air_time = mean(air_time, na.rm = TRUE),
    median_air_time = median(air_time, na.rm = TRUE)
  )
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
          n mean_air_time median_air_time
##
                     <dbl>
                                      <dbl>
      <int>
## 1 336776
                      151.
                                        129
```

The summarize() verb gains its full power in grouped operations. Surround with group_by() and ungroup() to compute summaries in groups defined by common values in one or more columns. In the next example, the same summary is computed separately for each origin airport.

```
flights %>%
  group_by(origin) %>%
  summarize(
    n = n()
    mean_air_time = mean(air_time, na.rm = TRUE),
    median_air_time = median(air_time, na.rm = TRUE)
  ) %>%
 ungroup()
## # A tibble: 3 x 4
     origin
                 n mean_air_time median_air_time
     <chr>
             <int>
                            <dbl>
                                            <dbl>
## 1 EWR
            120835
                                              130
                            153.
## 2 JFK
            111279
                            178.
                                              149
## 3 LGA
            104662
                            118.
```

The next example splits the data into one group for each day.

```
flights %>%
  group_by(year, month, day) %>%
  summarize(
    n = n(),
    mean_air_time = mean(air_time, na.rm = TRUE),
    median_air_time = median(air_time, na.rm = TRUE)
  ) %>%
  ungroup()
## # A tibble: 365 x 6
      year month
                   day
                           n mean_air_time median_air_time
##
     <int> <int> <int> <int>
                                      <dbl>
                                                       <dbl>
## 1 2013
               1
                     1
                         842
                                       170.
                                                        149
## 2 2013
                     2
                         943
                                                        148
               1
                                       162.
## 3 2013
                         914
                                       157.
               1
                                                        148
## # ... with 362 more rows
For quick exploration, the names of the new columns can be omitted:
flights %>%
  group_by(year, month, day) %>%
  summarize(
    n(),
    mean(air_time, na.rm = TRUE),
    median(air_time, na.rm = TRUE)
  ) %>%
  ungroup()
## # A tibble: 365 x 6
                   day `n() `mean(air_time, n~ `median(air_time~
      year month
                                                              <dbl>
##
     <int> <int> <int> <int>
                                           <dbl>
## 1 2013
               1
                     1
                         842
                                           170.
                                                                149
## 2 2013
                     2
                         943
                                            162.
                                                                148
               1
## 3 2013
               1
                         914
                                            157.
                                                                148
## # ... with 362 more rows
TRUE
## [1] TRUE
TRUE
## [1] TRUE
```

3.8 Summary-plots

Click here to show setup code.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)

library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package

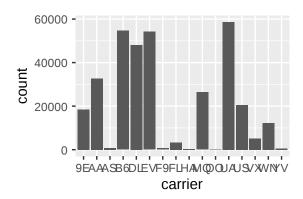
conflict_prefer("lag", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference
```

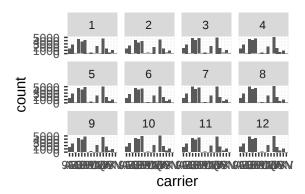
Potentially surprisingly, mutate() can also work with the results of a ggplot() call. Let's approach this step by step. Here is a basic barplot of flights\$carrier:

```
flights %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = carrier)) +
  geom_bar()
```



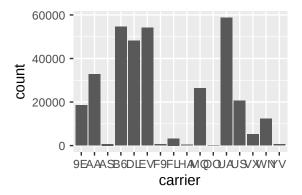
Same with one facet per month:

```
flights %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = carrier)) +
  geom_bar() +
  facet_wrap(~month)
```



We can extract a function that takes any data and produces a barplot of the variable carrier:

```
plot_fun <- function(data) {
  data %>%
    ggplot(aes(x = carrier)) +
    geom_bar()
}
plot_fun(flights)
```



The result of ggplot() is first and foremost an object. Only when R tries to display it on the console a method is triggered, which causes it to show the graph in the "Viewer". Therefore, we can use the group_by - summarize() - ungroup() pattern to produce one plot per group and store it in a new column:

```
plot_df <-
  flights %>%
  group_by(month) %>%
  summarize(
    plot = list(plot_fun(tibble(carrier)))
```

```
) %>%
  ungroup()

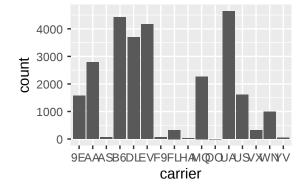
plot_df

## # A tibble: 12 x 2
## month plot
## <int> < 2 <gg>
## 2 2 <gg>
## 3 3 <gg>
## # ... with 9 more rows
```

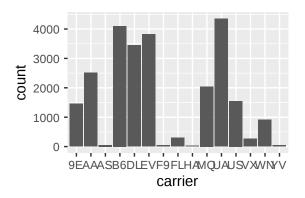
When using dplyr::pull() (this function "extracts" a variable from a data.frame and returns it as a normal vector), each of the plots will be subsequently displayed in your "Viewer".

```
plot_df %>%
   pull()
```

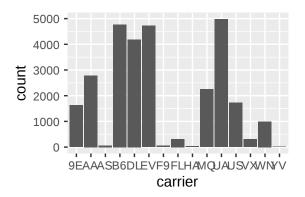
[[1]]



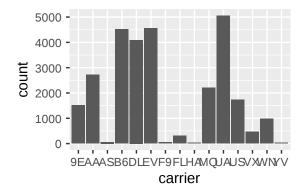
```
##
## [[2]]
```



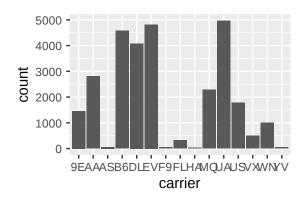
[[3]]



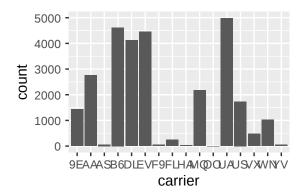
[[4]]



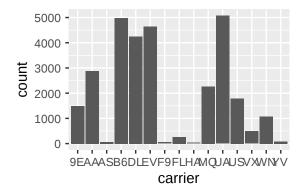
[[5]]



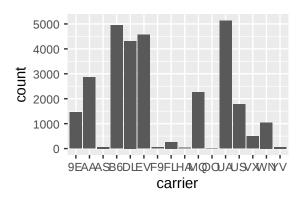
[[6]]



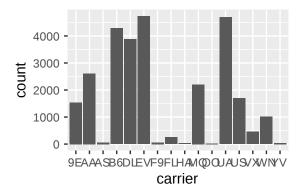
[[7]]



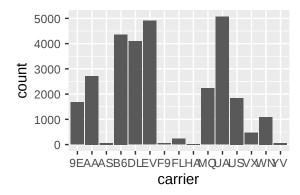
[[8]]



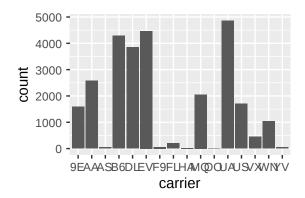
[[9]]



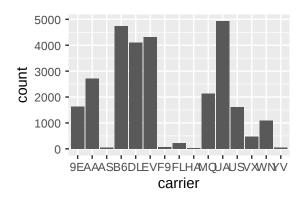
[[10]]



[[11]]



[[12]]



Use the left arrow to click through the different plots.

Chapter 4

Import

Ingesting data.

This chapter discusses data import with RStudio, with the help of the readr, readxl, and rio packages.

4.1

```
Click here to show setup code.
library(tidyverse)
```

```
library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
conflict_prefer("lag", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::lag over any other package

library(readr)
example1 <-
    read_delim(
    "data/example1.csv",
    ";",
    escape_double = FALSE, trim_ws = TRUE</pre>
```

```
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
## col1 = col_double(),
## col2 = col_character(),
## col3 = col_character()
## )

view(example1)
## # A tibble: 2 x 3
## col1 col2 col3
## <dbl> <chr> <chr> ## 1 1 a X
## 2 2.5 b Y
```

4.2 Import many files

```
Click here to show setup code.
```

```
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)
library(here)
library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")
## [conflicted] Removing existing preference
## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
files <- dir(path = here("data"), pattern = "[.]xlsx$", full.names = TRUE)
files
## [1] "/home/travis/build/krlmlr/vistransrep/book/data/example6a.xlsx"
## [2] "/home/travis/build/krlmlr/vistransrep/book/data/example6b.xlsx"
## [3] "/home/travis/build/krlmlr/vistransrep/book/data/example6c.xlsx"
files %>%
 rio::import_list(setclass = class(tibble()), rbind = TRUE)
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
       id col1 col2 col3 `_file`
    <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr>
## 1
        1
           1 a
                       X
                             /home/travis/build/krlmlr/vistransr~
        1
            2.5 b
                       Y
                             /home/travis/build/krlmlr/vistransr~
## 3
        2
                             /home/travis/build/krlmlr/vistransr~
             1.5 c
                       Z
## # ... with 3 more rows
```

```
list_of_tables <- rio::import_list(files, setclass = class(tibble()))</pre>
list_of_tables
## $example6a
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
        id col1 col2 col3
##
     <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
## 1
        1 1
               a
                       Х
## 2
        1
            2.5 b
                       Y
##
## $example6b
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
        id col1 col2 col3
     <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
##
## 1
        2 1.5 c
## 2
         2
            2
                d
##
## $example6c
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
        id col1 col2 col3
     <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
## 1
        3
            4
               g
                       J
## 2
         3
            3.5 f
                       Η
list_of_tables$example6b
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
        id col1 col2 col3
     <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
## 1
        2
           1.5 c
## 2
         2
             2
                       W
                d
try(
 list_of_tables$example6b <-</pre>
   list_of_tables$example6b %>%
   mutate(...) %>%
   select(...)
)
## Error in function_list[[i]](value) : '...' used in an incorrect context
all_tables <- bind_rows(list_of_tables, .id = "path")</pre>
all_tables
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
##
    path
                 id col1 col2 col3
    <chr>
               <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
## 1 example6a
                 1
                      1 a
## 2 example6a
                  1
                       2.5 b
```

```
## 3 example6b
                  2 1.5 c
                                Z
## # ... with 3 more rows
all_tables %>%
 filter(path == "example6b") %>%
  summarize(mean(col1), first(col2))
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
   `mean(col1)` `first(col2)`
##
           <dbl> <chr>
## 1
            1.75 c
all_tables %>%
  group_by(path) %>%
  summarize(mean(col1), first(col2)) %>%
 ungroup()
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
               `mean(col1)` `first(col2)`
##
    path
##
    <chr>>
                     <dbl> <chr>
## 1 example6a
                      1.75 a
## 2 example6b
                      1.75 c
## 3 example6c
                      3.75 g
files %>%
 map_dfr(~ readxl::read_excel(.))
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
       id col1 col2 col3
   <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
## 1
        1
           1 a
                      Х
## 2
        1
           2.5 b
                      γ
## 3
        2
           1.5 c
                      Z
## # ... with 3 more rows
```

Chapter 5

Tidying

Rows, columns, cells.

This chapter discusses pivoting and data tidying with the help of the tidyr package.

5.1 Pivoting

```
Click here to show setup code.
```

```
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)

library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
conflict_prefer("lag", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::lag over any other package
Pivoting describes operations that help rearrange data in different ways. The
following two tables contain the same data arranged differently.
```

table1

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
## country year cases population
## <chr> <int> <int> <int><</pre>
```

```
## 1 Afghanistan 1999
                         745
                                19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 2000
                        2666
                                20595360
## 3 Brazil
                  1999 37737
                              172006362
## # ... with 3 more rows
table2
## # A tibble: 12 x 4
##
     country
                  year type
                                      count
##
     <chr>
                 <int> <chr>
                                      <int>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 cases
                                        745
## 2 Afghanistan 1999 population 19987071
## 3 Afghanistan 2000 cases
                                       2666
## # ... with 9 more rows
```

Both tables contain country and year column that describe the source of the measurements. The "wider" version, table1, contains two columns that hold the number of cases (of a disease) and the population for the corresponding country in the corresponding year. In the "longer" version, table2, the number of cases and the population are stored in the same count column, with the type column defining the measurement.

Somewhat counter-intuitively, "longer-form" data is often better suited for analyzing data. "Wider-form" data makes better use of screen space, but may be more difficult to work with.

The following example computes the maximum number of cases and population for each country. For the wider form, this requires repeating the same expression for all columns. This may work with two columns but becomes tedious once more measurements are added.

```
table1 %>%
  group_by(country) %>%
  summarize(
    \max_{\text{cases}} = \max_{\text{cases}},
    max_population = max(population)
  ) %>%
  ungroup()
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
##
     country
                   max_cases max_population
##
     <chr>
                       <int>
                                        <int>
## 1 Afghanistan
                                     20595360
                        2666
## 2 Brazil
                       80488
                                    174504898
## 3 China
                      213766
                                   1280428583
```

The _at family of functions helps iterating over columns, but all columns still need to be enumerated. (Specifying ranges of columns is rather brittle.)

```
table1 %>%
```

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```
group_by(country) %>%
  summarize_at(
   vars(cases, population),
   max
 ) %>%
 ungroup()
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
##
    country cases population
##
    <chr>
                 <int>
                            <int>
## 1 Afghanistan 2666
                         20595360
## 2 Brazil
                 80488 174504898
## 3 China
                213766 1280428583
```

If the data is in the "longer" form, it is sufficient to include type in the grouping variables. The same code works for arbitrary number of measurements.

```
table2 %>%
  group_by(country, type) %>%
  summarize(
    max = max(count)
  ) %>%
  ungroup()
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
     country
                 type
                                  max
     <chr>
                 <chr>>
                                <int>
## 1 Afghanistan cases
                                 2666
## 2 Afghanistan population 20595360
## 3 Brazil
                                80488
                 cases
## # ... with 3 more rows
```

The following examples give a gentle introduction into pivoting.

5.1.1 Convert to longer form

The pivot_longer() function takes a "wider-form" dataset and converts it to an equivalent dataset with more rows.

table1

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
##
    country
               year cases population
##
    <chr>
                <int> <int>
                                 <int>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999
                       745
                              19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 2000 2666
                              20595360
## 3 Brazil
                 1999 37737 172006362
## # ... with 3 more rows
```

```
table1 %>%
  pivot_longer(-c(country, year))
## # A tibble: 12 x 4
    country
                                     value
                 year name
##
     <chr>
                 <int> <chr>
                                     <int>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 cases
                                       745
## 2 Afghanistan 1999 population 19987071
## 3 Afghanistan 2000 cases
                                      2666
## # ... with 9 more rows
```

The -c(...) notation indicates that all column except country and year are to be transformed into longer form. The column names become the contents of the new name column, the values are available in the value column.

The result of this operation isn't strictly equivalent to table2, we need to rename and sort differently. Alternatively, the names_to and values_to arguments allow specifying the names of the new columns.

```
table1 %>%
  pivot_longer(-c(country, year)) %>%
 rename(type = name, count = value) %>%
  arrange(country, year, type)
## # A tibble: 12 x 4
    country
##
                  year type
                                     count
     <chr>
                 <int> <chr>
                                     <int>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 cases
                                       745
## 2 Afghanistan 1999 population 19987071
## 3 Afghanistan 2000 cases
                                      2666
## # ... with 9 more rows
table1 %>%
  pivot_longer(
    -c(country, year),
    names_to = "type",
    values_to = "count"
  arrange(country, year, type)
## # A tibble: 12 x 4
    country
                 year type
                                     count
     <chr>
                 <int> <chr>
                                     <int>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 cases
                                       745
## 2 Afghanistan 1999 population 19987071
## 3 Afghanistan 2000 cases
                                      2666
## # ... with 9 more rows
```

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5.1.2 Convert to wider form

The pivot_wider() form does the inverse: it creates a dataset with fewer rows. If the name and value columns are named differently, these columns can be provided via the names_from and values_from arguments.

table2

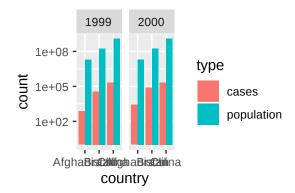
```
## # A tibble: 12 x 4
##
     country
                  year type
                                      count
     <chr>
                 <int> <chr>
                                      <int>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 cases
                                        745
## 2 Afghanistan 1999 population 19987071
                                       2666
## 3 Afghanistan 2000 cases
## # ... with 9 more rows
table2 %>%
  pivot_wider(names_from = type, values_from = count)
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
##
     country
                  year cases population
##
     <chr>
                 <int> <int>
                                   <int>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999
                         745
                                19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 2000 2666
                                20595360
## 3 Brazil
                  1999 37737
                              172006362
## # ... with 3 more rows
table2 %>%
  rename(name = type, value = count) %>%
  pivot_wider()
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
##
     country
                  year cases population
##
     <chr>
                 <int> <int>
                                   <int>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999
                         745
                                19987071
## 2 Afghanistan
                 2000
                        2666
                                20595360
## 3 Brazil
                  1999 37737
                              172006362
## # ... with 3 more rows
```

5.1.3 Use cases

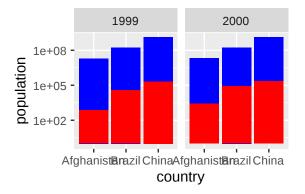
Data in "longer" form usually works better for plotting the values side by side, e.g. by assigning the type of value to an aesthetic. Recall that each row in the data produces one geometric object in the corresponding layer. For a bar chart that shows cases and population side by side, mapped to the y aesthetic, the "longer" form is more natural.

- table2 form requires only one layer, the fill color is determined automatically, the legend is created automatically
- table1 requires two layers, manual assignment of fill color, and manual creation of legend (not shown)

```
table2 %%
  ggplot() +
  geom_col(aes(country, count, fill = type), position = "dodge") +
  facet_wrap(~year) +
  scale_y_log10()
```



```
table1 %>%
  ggplot() +
  geom_col(aes(country, population), position = "dodge", fill = "blue") +
  geom_col(aes(country, cases), position = "dodge", fill = "red") +
  facet_wrap(~year) +
  scale_y_log10()
```



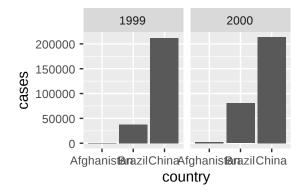
On the other hand, iIf only a single measurement needs to be plotted, the "wider" form is easier to work with.

• table1 only requires selecting the correct column

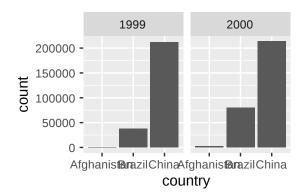
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• table2 requires a filter()

```
table1 %>%
  ggplot() +
  geom_col(aes(country, cases)) +
  facet_wrap(~year)
```

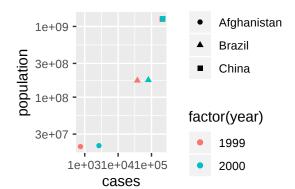


```
table2 %>%
  filter(type == "cases") %>%
  ggplot() +
  geom_col(aes(country, count)) +
  facet_wrap(~year)
```



The "wider" form is also the only way to map different measures to different aesthetics, e.g. to correlate values.

```
table1 %>%
  ggplot() +
  geom_point(aes(cases, population, color = factor(year), shape = country)) +
  scale_x_log10() +
  scale_y_log10()
```



5.1.4 Combining vertically

A different view on the same data is given in the two tables table4a and table4b.

```
table4a
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
     country
                  `1999` `2000`
## * <chr>
                  <int>
                          <int>
## 1 Afghanistan
                     745
                           2666
## 2 Brazil
                  37737 80488
## 3 China
                 212258 213766
table4b
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
                      1999
                                 `2000`
     country
## * <chr>
                       <int>
                                  <int>
## 1 Afghanistan
                    19987071
                               20595360
## 2 Brazil
                  172006362
                              174504898
## 3 China
                 1272915272 1280428583
```

The bind_rows() function combines these two parts into a single table. The .id = "type" setting ensures that the input datasets gain different tags in the new type column.

```
table4 <-
bind_rows(
   cases = table4a,
   population = table4b,
   .id = "type"
)
table4</pre>
```

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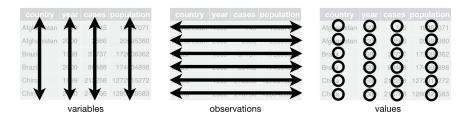


Figure 5.1: Tidy data

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
## type country `1999` `2000`
## <chr> <chr> <int> <int> <int> 2666
## 2 cases Brazil 37737 80488
## 3 cases China 212258 213766
## # ... with 3 more rows
```

As before, pivot_longer() helps converting the results into something similar to table2. The result isn't quite the same yet, can you spot the difference?

```
table4 %>%
  pivot_longer(c(`1999`, `2000`))
## # A tibble: 12 x 4
##
     type country
                       name
                             value
     <chr> <chr>
                       <chr> <int>
## 1 cases Afghanistan 1999
                                745
## 2 cases Afghanistan 2000
                               2666
## 3 cases Brazil
                       1999
                             37737
## # ... with 9 more rows
```

5.1.5 Tidy data

From "R for data science":

In a tidy dataset,

- 1. each variable must have its own column.
- 2. each observation must have its own row.
- 3. each value must have its own cell.

The following example shows a case that violates the first two rules: WHO data arranged for optimal use of screen space. The column names define, in addition to the measurement type new_sp, new_sp, new_ep and newrel, the age and

sex stratum of the corresponding measurements. One single pivot_longer() call transforms the data into a longer-form version with four measurement columns and one row for each age/sex stratum. The names_pattern is a regular expression that defines what part of the column name is stored where. (Regular expressions are a powerful tool for parsing text data, out of scope for this lecture but very much worth looking into.) The names_to sequence defines, for each () group in names_pattern, if the data encoded in the column name is stored in a new column or if it is kept as column name.

```
who %>% view()
```

```
## # A tibble: 7,240 x 60
##
     country iso2 iso3
                          year new_sp_m014 new_sp_m1524
##
     <chr>
             <chr> <chr> <int>
                                      <int>
## 1 Afghan~ AF
                   AFG
                           1980
                                         NΑ
                                                      NΑ
## 2 Afghan~ AF
                   AFG
                           1981
                                         NA
                                                      NA
## 3 Afghan~ AF
                   AFG
                                         NA
                          1982
                                                      NΑ
## # ... with 7,237 more rows, and 54 more variables:
       new_sp_m2534 <int>, new_sp_m3544 <int>,
## #
## #
       new_sp_m4554 <int>, new_sp_m5564 <int>, new_sp_m65 <int>,
## #
       new_sp_f014 <int>, new_sp_f1524 <int>,
## #
       new_sp_f2534 <int>, new_sp_f3544 <int>,
## #
       new_sp_f4554 <int>, new_sp_f5564 <int>, new_sp_f65 <int>,
## #
       new_sn_m014 <int>, new_sn_m1524 <int>,
## #
       new_sn_m2534 <int>, new_sn_m3544 <int>,
       new_sn_m4554 <int>, new_sn_m5564 <int>, new_sn_m65 <int>,
## #
## #
       new_sn_f014 <int>, new_sn_f1524 <int>,
## #
       new_sn_f2534 <int>, new_sn_f3544 <int>,
## #
       new sn f4554 <int>, new sn f5564 <int>, new sn f65 <int>,
## #
       new_ep_m014 <int>, new_ep_m1524 <int>,
## #
       new ep m2534 <int>, new ep m3544 <int>,
## #
       new_ep_m4554 <int>, new_ep_m5564 <int>, new_ep_m65 <int>,
## #
       new_ep_f014 <int>, new_ep_f1524 <int>,
## #
       new ep f2534 <int>, new ep f3544 <int>,
## #
       new_ep_f4554 <int>, new_ep_f5564 <int>, new_ep_f65 <int>,
## #
       newrel_m014 <int>, newrel_m1524 <int>,
## #
       newrel_m2534 <int>, newrel_m3544 <int>,
## #
       newrel_m4554 <int>, newrel_m5564 <int>, newrel_m65 <int>,
## #
       newrel_f014 <int>, newrel_f1524 <int>,
## #
       newrel_f2534 <int>, newrel_f3544 <int>,
## #
       newrel_f4554 <int>, newrel_f5564 <int>, newrel_f65 <int>
who_longer <-
  who %>%
 pivot longer(
    -(country:year),
```

```
names_pattern = "([a-z_]+)_(.)([0-9]+)",
   names_to = c(".value", "sex", "age")
 )
who_longer
## # A tibble: 101,360 x 10
    country iso2 iso3
                         year sex
                                   age new_sp new_sn new_ep
    <chr>
           <chr> <chr> <int> <chr> <int> <int> <int>
## 1 Afghan~ AF
                  AFG
                         1980 m
                                    014
                                             NA
                                                    NA
## 2 Afghan~ AF
                  AFG
                         1980 m
                                   1524
                                             NA
                                                    NA
                                                           NA
## 3 Afghan~ AF
                  AFG
                                                    NA
                         1980 m
                                    2534
                                             NA
                                                           NA
## # ... with 1.014e+05 more rows, and 1 more variable:
## # newrel <int>
who_longer %>%
 count(sex, age)
## # A tibble: 14 x 3
##
    sex
          age
                    n
  <chr> <chr> <int>
## 1 f
          014
                7240
## 2 f
          1524
                 7240
## 3 f
          2534
                 7240
## # ... with 11 more rows
```

5.2 Separating and uniting

Click here to show setup code.

values.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)

library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
conflict_prefer("lag", "dplyr")

## [conflicted] Removing existing preference

## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::lag over any other package
```

The table3 table violates the third principle of tidy data: each cell contains two

```
table3
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
## country
                year rate
## * <chr>
                <int> <chr>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 745/19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 2000 2666/20595360
## 3 Brazil
                 1999 37737/172006362
## # ... with 3 more rows
The separate() verb offers a convenient way to deal with this situation, including
automatic type conversion.
table3 %>%
  separate(rate, into = c("cases", "population"))
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
    country
                year cases population
##
     <chr>
                <int> <chr> <chr>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 745
                           19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 2000 2666 20595360
## 3 Brazil
            1999 37737 172006362
## # ... with 3 more rows
table3 %>%
  separate(rate, into = c("cases", "population"), sep = "/", convert = TRUE)
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
    country
                year cases population
##
     <chr>
                <int> <int>
                               <int>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 745
                              19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 2000 2666 20595360
## 3 Brazil
                 1999 37737 172006362
## # ... with 3 more rows
The inverse is offered by unite(). The data in table5 stores year data in two
columns.
table5
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
##
    country century year rate
## * <chr>
                <chr> <chr> <chr>
## 1 Afghanistan 19
                        99 745/19987071
                        00
## 2 Afghanistan 20
                              2666/20595360
## 3 Brazil
                        99
                              37737/172006362
               19
## # ... with 3 more rows
table5 %>%
  unite("year", c(century, year))
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
## country
                year rate
##
    <chr>
                <chr> <chr>
## 1 Afghanistan 19_99 745/19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 20_00 2666/20595360
## 3 Brazil
                19_99 37737/172006362
## # ... with 3 more rows
The result needs a few tweaks to finally resemble table3.
table5 %>%
 unite("year", c(century, year), sep = "")
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
## country year rate
                <chr> <chr>
    <chr>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 745/19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 2000 2666/20595360
## 3 Brazil
               1999 37737/172006362
## # ... with 3 more rows
table5 %>%
 unite("year", c(century, year), sep = "") %>%
 mutate(year = as.numeric(year))
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
## country year rate
## <chr>
               <dbl> <chr>
## 1 Afghanistan 1999 745/19987071
## 2 Afghanistan 2000 2666/20595360
## 3 Brazil
                1999 37737/172006362
## # ... with 3 more rows
See the help for further details.
?separate
?unite
5.2.1 Parsing numbers
thousand_separator <-
 tribble(
   ~num,
   "1'000.00",
   "2'000'000.00"
 )
```

thousand_separator

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 1
##
     num
##
     <chr>
## 1 1'000.00
## 2 2'000'000.00
thousand_separator %>%
  separate(num, into = c("num"))
\mbox{\tt \#\#} Warning: Expected 1 pieces. Additional pieces discarded in 2
## rows [1, 2].
## # A tibble: 2 x 1
    num
##
     <chr>
## 1 1
## 2 2
thousand_separator %>%
  mutate(num = str_replace_all(num, "[^-0-9.]", "")) %>%
  mutate(num = as.numeric(num))
## # A tibble: 2 x 1
##
         num
##
       <dbl>
## 1
        1000
## 2 2000000
5.3
Click here to show setup code.
library(tidyverse)
library(nycflights13)
library(conflicted)
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")
## [conflicted] Removing existing preference
## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::filter over any other package
conflict_prefer("lag", "dplyr")
## [conflicted] Removing existing preference
## [conflicted] Will prefer dplyr::lag over any other package
```

5.3.

```
table2 %>%
  xtabs(count ~ ., .) %>%
 ftable()
##
                              cases population
                    type
## country
               year
## Afghanistan 1999
                                745
                                      19987071
##
               2000
                                      20595360
                               2666
## Brazil
               1999
                              37737 172006362
##
               2000
                              80488 174504898
## China
               1999
                             212258 1272915272
##
               2000
                             213766 1280428583
table2 %>%
 xtabs(count ~ ., .) %>%
 ftable(col.vars = c("year", "type"))
##
                          1999
                                                2000
               year
##
                         cases population
                                               cases population
               type
## country
## Afghanistan
                           745
                                 19987071
                                                2666
                                                       20595360
## Brazil
                         37737 172006362
                                               80488 174504898
## China
                        212258 1272915272
                                              213766 1280428583
?`tidyr-package`
## [1] NA
```

Chapter 6

Reporting

After the successful processing and visualization of the data, the results need to be reported. This can be done best in a "literate programming" fashion as provided by R Markdown.

Using R Markdown, one is able to combine R code (and its results) with text (written in *markdown*) to create professional looking reports in various output formats (Word, PDF, HTML).

Both interactive and static documents can be created. This gallery (maintained by RStudio) gives a first overview of how documents created using R Markdown can look like.

6.1 Overview

File Format: .Rmd (R Markdown)

New document (in RStudio): File -> New File -> R Markdown/R Notebook. LaTeX Math is supported via Mathjax:

$$y = \frac{(x - \mu)}{(max - min)}$$

$$y = \frac{(x - \mu)}{(max - min)}$$

Any file with the .Rmd file extension is an "R Markdown document". RMD's consist **code** and **text** (written in *markdown* syntax) which need to be *compiled* into a high-level output format.

Possible output formats are:

• HTML

- PDF
- Word
- Powerpoint

Which output format should be used is specified in the "YAML header" of the R Markdown document.

6.2 The YAML header

In the YAML (Yet Another Markup Language) header users can specify metadata which denote the final appearance of the document.

Each output format has different settings. Fortunately, most settings apply to all formats.

The YAML header starts and ends with three dashes: ---. The **output** field is mandatory.

```
title: "<title>"
author: "<author>"
date: "2019-11-25"
output:
   rmarkdown::html_document:
    toc: yes
    number_sections: yes
    fig_caption: yes
    css: ../custom.css
bibliography: lib.bib
biblio-style: apalike
```

Valid options for each output format can usually be looked up in the help page of the specific output format.

For the default output format $\verb|html_document|$ the R Markdown - The definitive guide book is a good reference.

An R Markdown cheatsheet also exists.

6.3 Literate programming in R

Packages $\{\{\text{rmarkdown}\}\}\$ and $\{\{\text{knitr}\}\}\$ are the base of literate programming in R.

RMD's documents can be compiled

- by clicking the "knit" button in RStudio (the name relates to the {{knitr}}} package)
- via the command line by calling rmarkdown::render()

Behind the scenes the {{rmarkdown}} package first converts the .Rmd file to .md (markdown). Then pandoc, which is a universal markdown converter library, converts the .md file to the chosen output format.

6.3.1 R Markdown packages

The following packages are built upon {{rmarkdown}} and simplify special purposes.

- bookdown: Mainly used for writing books but can also be used for reports (formats html_document2, git_book, pdf_book, etc.).
- thesisdown: A package for thesis writing. Provides ready-to-go templates for different types and simplifies advanced LaTeX usage.
- rmdformats, pinp: Different templates for literate programming documents.
- xaringan: For HTML presentations via remark.js.
- blogdown: For creating websites. Example: https://pjs-web.de/
- rticles: For scientific paper writing in R.

6.3.2 Code chunks in R Markdown

To insert code into an R Markdown document, one needs to add a so called "code chunk".

```
```{<language>}
```

. . .

This tells the document that everything within the three backticks should be interpreted as code using the given language. Code can be shown/hidden, evaluation can be prevented on demand, results can be cached, etc. See https://yihui.org/knitr/options/ for a full list of supported options

#### 6.3.3 R Notebooks

R Notebooks are a special form of the html\_document. To use it, specify

html\_notebook as the "output" type in the YAML header. This output format was created by RStudio as an alternative to html\_document.

Differences compared to html\_document:

- Code output is shown inside the editor and not in the console (can be changed)
- Instant preview of the output document without having to get all the code in the document running. The results from the last successful code execution will be used (if there was one).
- Link in the HTML doc to download the source .Rmd file
- Option to toggle on/off code chunks for the whole document
- Output file extension is named .nb.html

#### 6.3.4 Workflow

R Markdown documents are most often used for reporting of results created in an Rscript. This enables a seamless integration of data processing tasks into the subsequent reporting.

Reporting often splits up into different formats:

- Talks using presentation slides (xaringan, ioslides, Slidy, Beamer, Power-point)
- written reports (Word, PDF), possibly using LaTeX input

R objects (containing results) can directly be used in the reports to present the results (data, plots). If the complete workflow of an analysis has been setup in R, changes at certain stages of the workflow (e.g. incoming data) can easily be integrated.

This is the point where packages like drake, workflowr and rrtools jump in to simplify reproducible workflows in R.

A widely used concept is to start a project following the structure of an R package. This helps due to

- a consistent directory structure of R scripts and R Markdown documents
- documented custom functions
- simplified integration into workflow packages like {{drake}} and friends.

R "research packages" can be installed locally like any other R package and simplify usage and sharing among colleagues.

## 6.4 Shiny: Interactive visualizations

Javascript based R ecosystem which provides options for rich visualizations. The shiny gallery from RStudio gives a good overview what can be done using shiny.

## Chapter 7

# Best practices

R code is often organized in packages that can be installed from centralized repositories such as CRAN or GitHub. If you are new to writing R packages, this course cannot give a complete introduction into packages. It is still useful to embrace some very few concepts of R packages to gain access to a vast toolbox and also organize your code in a standardized way familiar to other users. With the first steps in place, the road to your first R package may become less steep.

- Create a DESCRIPTION file to declare dependencies and allow easy reloading of the functions you define
- Store your functions in .R files in the R/ directory in your project
   Scripts that you execute live in script/ or a similar directory
- Use roxygen2 to document your functions close to the source
- Write tests for your functions, e.g. with testthat

See R packages for a more comprehensive treatment.

#### 7.1 DESCRIPTION

Create and open a new RStudio project. Then, create a DESCRIPTION file with usethis::use\_description():

```
install.packages("usethis")
usethis::use_description()
Double-check success:
install.packages("devtools")
devtools::load_all()
```

Declare that your project requires the tidyverse and the here package:

```
usethis::use_package("here")
Currently doesn't work, add manually
https://github.com/r-lib/usethis/issues/760
usethis::use_package("tidyverse")
```

#### 7.2 R

With a DESCRIPTION file defined, create a new .R file and save it in the R/directory. (Create this directory if it does not exist.) Create a function in this file, save the file:

```
hi <- function(text = "Hello, world!") {
 print(text)
 invisible(text)
}</pre>
```

Do not source the file.

Restart R (with Ctrl + Shift + F10 in RStudio).

Run  $devtools::load_all()$  again, you can use the shortcut Ctrl + Shift + L or Cmd + Shift + L in RStudio.

Check that you can run hi() in the console:

```
hi()
[1] "Hello, world!"
hi("Wow!")
[1] "Wow!"
Edit the function:
hi <- function(text = "Wow!") {
 print(text)
 invisible(text)
}</pre>
```

Save the file, but do not source it.

Run devtools::load\_all() again, you can use the shortcut Ctrl + Shift + L or Cmd + Shift + L in RStudio.

Check that the new implementation of hi() is active:

```
hi()
[1] "Wow!"
```

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All functions that are required for your project are stored in this directory. Do not store executable scripts, use a script/ directory.

### 7.3 roxygen2

The following intuitive annotation syntax is a standard way to create documentation for your functions:

```
#' Print a welcome message
#'
#' This function prints "Wow!", or a custom text, on the console.
#'
#' @param text The text to print, "Wow!" by default.
#'
#' @return The `text` argument, invisibly.
#'
#' @examples
#' hi()
#' hi("Hello!")
hi <- function(text = "Wow!") {
 print(text)
 invisible(text)
}</pre>
```

This annotation can be rendered to a nicely looking HTML page with the roxygen2 and pkgdown packages. All you need to do is provide (and maintain) it.

#### 7.4 testthat

expect\_output(hi(), "Wow")

Automated tests make sure that the functions you write today continue working tomorrow. Create your first test with usethis::use\_test():

```
install.packages("testthat")
usethis::use_test("hi")
The file tests/testthat/test-hi.R is created, with the following contents:
test_that("multiplication works", {
 expect_equal(2 * 2, 4)
})
Replace this predefined text with a test that makes more sense for us:
test_that("hi() works", {
```

```
expect_output(hi("Hello"), "Hello")
})
```

Run the new test with devtools::test(), you can use the shortcut Ctrl + Shift + T or Cmd + Shift + T in RStudio.

Check that the test actually detects failures by modifying the implementation of hi() and rerunning the test:

```
hi <- function(text = "Oops!") {
 print(text)
 invisible(text)
}</pre>
```

Run the new test with devtools::test(), you can use the shortcut Ctrl + Shift + T or Cmd + Shift + T in RStudio. One test should be failing now.

## Chapter 8

- R for data science: https://r4ds.had.co.nz/
- Row oriented workflows: https://github.com/jennybc/row-oriented-workflows # readme
- Advanced R: http://adv-r.had.co.nz/
- Tidy evaluation: https://tidyeval.tidyverse.org/
- R packages: http://r-pkgs.had.co.nz/
- roxygen2: Vignettes in https://cran.r-project.org/package=roxygen2, especially:
  - Introduction to roxygen2
  - Generating Rd files for an overview of available tags
  - Write R documentation in Markdown
- $\bullet$  How R searches and finds stuff: http://blog.obeautifulcode.com/R/ How-R-Searches-And-Finds-Stuff/
- What they forgot to teach you: https://whattheyforgot.org/
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- Tidyverse principles: https://principles.tidyverse.org/
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