More data manipulation with dplyr and tidy

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The best way to learn R or computational history is to practice. These worksheets contain a series of questions designed to teach you about R or different computational methods. The worksheets are R Markdown documents that include text and code together. The places where you are expected to answer questions are marked like this.

(0) Can you make a plot from this dataset?

Beneath each question is a space to either create a code block or write an answer.

Aims of this worksheet

In an earlier worksheet, you learned the basic data manipulation verbs from the dplyr package: select(), filter(), mutate(), arrange(), group_by(), and summarize(). In this worksheet you will learn additional data verbs from the dplyr and tidyr packages. These data verbs relate to window functions (lead() and lag()), data table joins (left_join() et al.), and data reshaping (spread() and gather())

To begin, we will load the necessary packages, as well as the Methodist data.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(historydata)
#data("methodists")
#methodists
```

methodists data (MGR)

If methodists dataset does not load, we can try the following. First, restart R (in the menu: Session > Restart R), then run the following lines:

```
devtools::install_github("ropensci/historydata", force=TRUE)
```

- ## Downloading GitHub repo ropensci/historydata@HEAD
- ## * checking for file '/private/var/folders/6f/0x08zkks1754nb4kts9p0t240000gn/T/Rtmp0RxYtj/remotes2c8f
- ## * preparing 'historydata':
- ## * checking DESCRIPTION meta-information ... OK
- ## * checking for LF line-endings in source and make files and shell scripts
- ## * checking for empty or unneeded directories
- ## * building 'historydata_0.2.9001.tar.gz'

```
library(historydata)
data(methodists)
#methodists
```

Alternatively, we can load the data differently. The package itself is available on gitHub (https://github.com/ropensci/historydata), so we can try a different way of getting the data that we need for the worksheet. Specifically, if we know the exact address of the data file (url), we can open it with the read.csv command, like shown below (you need to be connected to Internet, of course):

```
methodists <- read.csv("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ropensci/historydata/master/data-raw/methodis
#methodists</pre>
```

This data file, however, is slightly different from what we need, so some minor modifications will be necessary. You do not need to be concerned about the code in the next chunk, just run it.

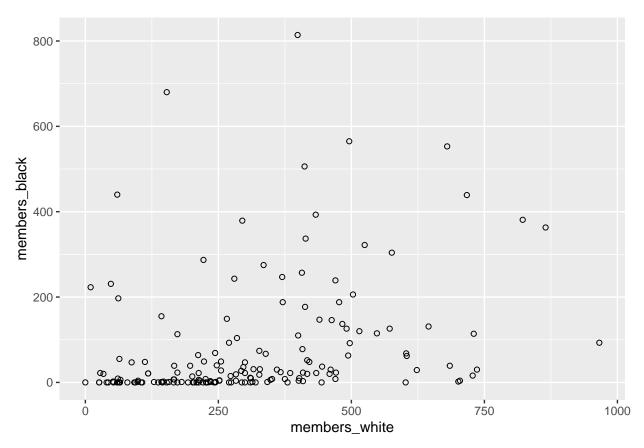
```
#library(dplyr)
replace_na <- function(x, val = 0L) {
  ifelse(is.na(x), val, x)
}
methodists <- methodists %>%
  as tibble() %>%
  filter(minutes_year != 1778,
         minutes_year != 1779,
         minutes_year != 1785) %>%
  filter(minutes_year >= 1786, minutes_year <= 1834) %>%
  dplyr::rename(members_black = members_colored,
         year = minutes_year) %>%
  mutate(members_indian = as.integer(members_indian)) %>%
  mutate(members_white = replace_na(members_white),
         members_black = replace_na(members_black),
         members_indian = replace_na(members_indian)) %>%
  rowwise() %>%
  mutate(members_total = sum(members_general, members_white, members_black,
                             members_indian, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  select(year, conference, district, meeting, state, members_total,
         starts with("members "), url)
```

Data joining with two table verbs (left_join() et al.)

It is often the case that we want to use some variable in our data to create a new variable. Consider the Methodist data for the year 1800. Perhaps we are interested in the racial composition of the churches. Do they tend to be all white and all black, or do some churches have both white and black members in varying proportions? The simplest way to get a look at that question is to create a scatter plot of the figures for white and black membership.

```
methodists_1800 <- methodists %>%
  filter(year == 1800) %>%
  select(meeting, state, members_white, members_black)

ggplot(methodists_1800, aes(x = members_white, y = members_black)) +
  geom_point(shape = 1)
```



That scatterplot is interesting as far as it goes, but we might reasonably suspect that the racial composition of methodist meetings varies by region. We could use the state variable to facet the plot by state. However, this has two problems. There are 20 states represented in that year. Our faceted plot would have 20 panels, which is too many. But more important, by looking at individual states we might be getting too fine grained a look at the data. We have good reason to think that it is regions that matter more than states.

It is easy enough to describe what we would do to translate states into a new column with regions. We would look at each state name and assign it to a region. Connecticut would be in the Northeast, New York would be in the Mid-Atlantic, and so on. We can think of this problem as looking up a value in one table (our Methodist data) in another table. That other table will have a row for each state, where each state name is associated with a region. (In many cases, though, it would make more sense to create a CSV file with the data and read it in as a data frame.)

And now we can inspect the table.

regions

```
## # A tibble: 20 x 2
##
      state
                             region
##
      <chr>
                              <chr>
   1 Connecticut
##
                              Northeast
##
    2 Delaware
                              Atlantic South
##
    3 Georgia
                              Atlantic South
##
  4 Kentucky
                             West
## 5 Maine
                             Northeast
##
   6 Maryland
                              Atlantic South
##
  7 Massachusetts
                             Northeast
  8 Mississippi
                             Deep South
    9 New Hampshire
                              Northeast
## 10 New Jersey
                             Mid-Atlantic
## 11 New York
                             Mid-Atlantic
## 12 North Carolina
                              Atlantic South
## 13 Northwestern Territory West
## 14 Pennsylvania
                             Mid-Atlantic
## 15 Rhode Island
                             Northeast
## 16 South Carolina
                             Atlantic South
## 17 Tennessee
                              West
## 18 Upper Canada
                              Canada
## 19 Vermont
                              Northeast
## 20 Virginia
                              Atlantic South
```

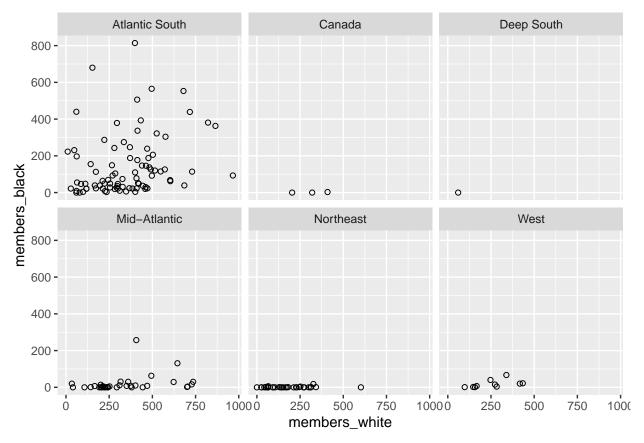
We can do a look up where we take the state column in the methodists_1800 data frame and associate it with the states column in our regions data frame. The result will be a new column region. Notice how we use the by = argument to specify which column in the left hand table matches which column in the right hand table.

```
methodists_region <- methodists_1800 %>%
  left_join(regions, by = "state")
methodists_region
```

```
## # A tibble: 169 x 5
##
      meeting
                  state
                                  members_white members_black region
##
      <chr>
                  <chr>>
                                          <int>
                                                        <int> <chr>
                                                            9 Atlantic South
##
   1 Augusta
                  Georgia
                                             61
##
   2 Burke
                  Georgia
                                            297
                                                           36 Atlantic South
##
  3 Richmond
                  Georgia
                                            548
                                                          115 Atlantic South
  4 Washington Georgia
                                            497
                                                           92 Atlantic South
##
   5 Broad River South Carolina
                                            604
                                                           62 Atlantic South
##
   6 Bush River South Carolina
                                            328
                                                           31 Atlantic South
  7 Charleston South Carolina
                                             60
                                                          440 Atlantic South
                  South Carolina
                                                            O Atlantic South
##
  8 Cherokee
                                             79
   9 Edisto
                  South Carolina
                                            572
                                                          126 Atlantic South
## 10 Georgetown South Carolina
                                             10
                                                          223 Atlantic South
## # ... with 159 more rows
```

Then we can plot the results. As we suspected, there is a huge regional variation.

```
ggplot(methodists_region, aes(x = members_white, y = members_black)) +
geom_point(shape = 1) +
facet_wrap(~ region)
```



(1) Can you summarize the racial composition of the different regions by year (i.e., a region had a certain percentage white and black members for a given year) and create a plot of the changing racial composition in each region over time?

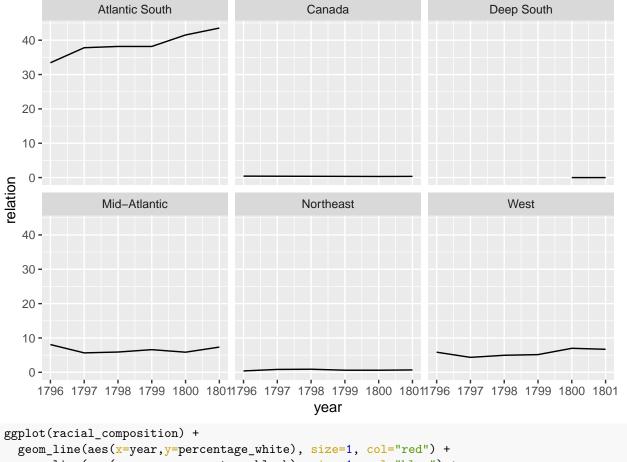
```
methodists_full <- methodists %>%
    select(year, state, members_total, members_white, members_black)

methodists_full_region <- methodists_full %>%
    left_join(regions, by="state") %>%
    select(-state)

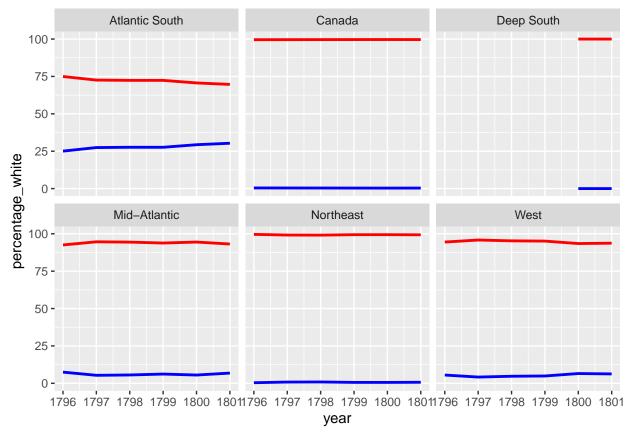
methodists_full_region
```

```
## # A tibble: 20,241 x 5
##
       year members_total members_white members_black region
##
                                                     <int> <chr>
      <int>
                      <int>
                                     <int>
##
    1
       1786
                        356
                                       330
                                                        26 <NA>
                                                        72 <NA>
##
    2
       1786
                        488
                                       416
##
    3
       1786
                        364
                                       305
                                                        59 <NA>
##
    4
       1786
                        412
                                       382
                                                        30 <NA>
##
    5
       1786
                        429
                                       392
                                                        37 <NA>
       1786
                        540
                                       524
                                                        16 <NA>
##
    6
##
    7
       1786
                        449
                                       374
                                                        75 <NA>
##
    8
       1786
                        178
                                       167
                                                        11 <NA>
    9
       1786
                                                        18 <NA>
##
                        368
                                       350
## 10
       1786
                        166
                                       140
                                                        26 <NA>
## # ... with 20,231 more rows
```

```
racial_composition <- methodists_full_region %>%
  filter(!is.na(region)) %>%
  filter(members_total!=0) %>%
  group_by(year, region) %>%
  summarize(members_total = sum(members_total), members_white = sum(members_white), members_black = sum
  mutate(percentage_white = members_white / members_total * 100, percentage_black = members_black / mem
  mutate(relation = percentage_black / percentage_white * 100)
## `summarise()` has grouped output by 'year'. You can override using the
## `.groups` argument.
racial_composition
## # A tibble: 31 x 8
## # Groups: year [6]
##
       year region
                         members_total members_white members_black percentage_white
##
      <int> <chr>
                                 <int>
                                               <int>
                                                             <int>
                                                                              <dbl>
##
  1 1796 Atlantic So~
                                 42059
                                               31521
                                                             10538
                                                                               74.9
                                                                               99.6
## 2 1796 Canada
                                   474
                                                 472
                                                                 2
## 3 1796 Mid-Atlantic
                                  9406
                                                8703
                                                               703
                                                                               92.5
## 4 1796 Northeast
                                  2519
                                                2509
                                                                10
                                                                               99.6
## 5 1796 West
                                  2296
                                                2169
                                                               127
                                                                               94.5
## 6 1797 Atlantic So~
                                 41976
                                               30459
                                                             11517
                                                                               72.6
## 7 1797 Mid-Atlantic
                                                9950
                                                               563
                                                                               94.6
                                 10513
## 8 1797 Northeast
                                  2999
                                                2974
                                                                25
                                                                               99.2
## 9 1797 West
                                  2373
                                                2274
                                                                99
                                                                               95.8
## 10 1798 Atlantic So~
                                               30267
                                                                               72.4
                                 41822
                                                             11555
## # ... with 21 more rows, and 2 more variables: percentage_black <dbl>,
      relation <dbl>
ggplot(racial_composition) +
geom_line(aes(x = year, y = relation)) + facet_wrap(~ region)
```



```
geom_line(aes(x=year,y=percentage_black), size=1, col="blue") +
facet_wrap(~ region)
```



(2) In the europop package there are two data frames, europop with the historical populations of European cities, and city_coords which has the latitudes and longitudes of those cities. Load that package and join the two tables together. Can you get the populations of cities north of 48° of latitude?

```
#devtools::install_github("mdlincoln/europop", force=TRUE)
library(europop)
data("europop")

merged_cities <- europop %>%
    left_join(city_coords, by="city") %>%
    filter(lat>=42)

merged_cities[merged_cities$lat > 42, ]
```

```
# A tibble: 2,128 x 6
##
##
                  region
                                      year population
                                                          lon
      city
##
      <chr>
                  <chr>
                                     <int>
                                                 <int> <dbl> <dbl>
    1 BERGEN
                  Scandinavia
                                      1500
                                                     0
                                                        5.33
                                                               60.4
##
##
    2 COPENHAGEN Scandinavia
                                                    NA 12.6
                                                               55.7
                                      1500
##
    3 GOTEBORG
                  Scandinavia
                                      1500
                                                     0 12.0
                                                               57.7
                                                       15.6
                                                               56.2
##
    4 KARLSKRONA Scandinavia
                                      1500
                                                     0
                  Scandinavia
                                      1500
                                                       10.7
##
    5 OSLO
                                                     0
                                                               59.9
    6 STOCKHOLM
                  Scandinavia
                                      1500
                                                     0 18.1
                                                               59.3
##
##
    7 BATH
                  England and Wales
                                      1500
                                                     0 - 2.36
                                                               51.4
                                                               52.5
##
    8 BIRMINGHAM England and Wales
                                      1500
                                                     0 -1.90
##
    9 BLACKBURN
                  England and Wales
                                      1500
                                                     0 - 2.48
                                                               53.8
## 10 BOLTON
                  England and Wales
                                                     0 -2.43 53.6
                                      1500
```

```
## # ... with 2,118 more rows
```

(3) In the historydata package there are two tables, judges_people and judges_appointments. Join them together. What are the names of black judges who were appointed to the Supreme Court?

```
judge_merge <- judges_people %>%
  left_join(judges_appointments, by="judge_id")
judge_merge[judge_merge$court_name == "Supreme Court of the United States" & judge_merge$race == "Afric
## # A tibble: 2 x 27
##
     judge_id name_first name_middle name_last name_suffix birth_date
##
                          <chr>
                                      <chr>>
                                                <chr>
        <int> <chr>
                                                                  <int>
## 1
         1489 Thurgood
                          <NA>
                                      Marshall
                                                <NA>
                                                                   1908
                                                                   1948
## 2
         2362 Clarence
                          <NA>
                                      Thomas
                                                <NA>
## # ... with 21 more variables: birthplace_city <chr>, birthplace_state <chr>,
       death_date <int>, death_city <chr>, death_state <chr>, gender <chr>,
       race <chr>, court_name <chr>, court_type <chr>, president_name <chr>,
## #
       president_party <chr>, nomination_date <chr>, predecessor_last_name <chr>,
       predecessor_first_name <chr>, senate_confirmation_date <chr>,
## #
## #
       commission_date <chr>, chief_judge_begin <int>, chief_judge_end <int>,
## #
       retirement_from_active_service <chr>, termination_date <chr>, ...
 (4) What courts did those justices serve on before the Supreme Court?
filter(judge_merge, judge_id == 1489 | judge_id == 2362, court_name != "Supreme Court of the United Sta
## # A tibble: 2 x 27
##
     judge_id name_first name_middle name_last name_suffix birth_date
##
        <int> <chr>
                          <chr>
                                      <chr>>
                                                <chr>
                                                                  <int>
## 1
         1489 Thurgood
                          <NA>
                                      Marshall
                                                <NA>
                                                                   1908
                                                <NA>
                                                                   1948
         2362 Clarence
                          < NA >
                                      Thomas
## # ... with 21 more variables: birthplace_city <chr>, birthplace_state <chr>,
## #
       death_date <int>, death_city <chr>, death_state <chr>, gender <chr>,
       race <chr>, court_name <chr>, court_type <chr>, president_name <chr>,
## #
## #
       president_party <chr>, nomination_date <chr>, predecessor_last_name <chr>,
## #
       predecessor_first_name <chr>, senate_confirmation_date <chr>,
## #
       commission_date <chr>, chief_judge_begin <int>, chief_judge_end <int>,
```

Data reshaping (spread() and gather())

#

It can be helpful to think of tabular data as coming in two forms: wide data, and long data. Let's load in a table of data. This data contains total membership figures for the Virginia conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the years 1812 to 1830.

retirement_from_active_service <chr>, termination_date <chr>, ...

```
va_wide <- read_csv("http://dh-r.lincolnmullen.com/data/va-methodists-wide.csv")
va_wide</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 21
##
      conference district
                               `1812` `1813` `1814` `1815` `1816` `1817`
                                                                             `1818`
##
      <chr>
                  <chr>
                                                                              <dbl>
                                <dbl>
                                       <dbl>
                                               <dbl>
                                                       <dbl>
                                                              <dbl>
                                                                      <dbl>
                                                                                      <dbl>
                                 5348
                                        4691
                                                4520
                                                        4209
                                                                       3888
                                                                               3713
                                                                                       3580
##
    1 Virginia
                  James Riv~
                                                                4118
                                 4882
                                        4486
                                                4771
                                                        4687
                                                                4702
##
    2 Virginia
                  Meherren
                                                                         NA
                                                                                 NA
                                                                                         NA
                                                                               3964
                                                                                       3860
   3 Virginia
                  Meherrin
                                   NA
                                          NA
                                                  NA
                                                          NA
                                                                  NA
                                                                       4435
   4 Virginia
                  Neuse
                                   NA
                                          NA
                                                3474
                                                        3475
                                                                3448
                                                                       2702
                                                                               3340
                                                                                       4667
## 5 Virginia
                  Newbern
                                 3511
                                        3558
                                                  NA
                                                          NA
                                                                  NA
                                                                         NA
                                                                                 NA
                                                                                         NA
```

```
6 Virginia
                  Norfolk
                                4686
                                        6196
                                               6127
                                                       6001
                                                               5661
                                                                      6495
                                                                              6471
##
                                                                                        NA
    7 Virginia
                                                                                        NA
##
                  Raleigh
                                3822
                                        4018
                                                 NA
                                                         NA
                                                                 NA
                                                                        NA
                                                                                NA
##
    8 Virginia
                  Roanoke
                                  NA
                                          NA
                                                 NA
                                                         NA
                                                               3049
                                                                        NA
                                                                              1507
                                                                                        NA
    9 Virginia
                                  NA
                                          NA
                                               3834
                                                                                       NA
##
                  Tar River
                                                       3466
                                                                 NA
                                                                        NA
                                                                                NA
## 10 Virginia
                  Yadkin
                                3174
                                        3216
                                               3528
                                                       3323
                                                               3374
                                                                      3323
                                                                              4689
                                                                                      4547
     ... with 11 more variables: `1820` <dbl>, `1821` <dbl>, `1822`
                                                                         <dbl>,
       `1823` <dbl>, `1824` <dbl>, `1825` <dbl>, `1826` <dbl>, `1827` <dbl>,
       `1828` <dbl>, `1829` <dbl>, `1830` <dbl>
## #
```

The first thing we can notice about this data frame is that it is very wide because it has a column for each of the years. The data is also suitable for reading because it like a table in a publication. We can read from left to right and see when certain districts begin and end and get the values for each year. The difficulties of computing on or plotting the data will also become quickly apparent. How would you make a plot of the change over time in the number of members in each district? Or how would you filter by year, or summarize by year? For that matter, what do the numbers in the table represent, since they are not given an explicit variable name?

The problem with the table is that it is not *tidy data*, because the variables are not in columns and observations in rows. One of the variables is the year, but its values are in the column headers. And another of the variables is total membership, but its values are spread across rows and columns and it is not explicitly named.

The gather() function from the tidyr package lets us turn wide data into long data. We need to tell the function two kinds of information. First we need to tell it the name of the column to create from the column headers and the name of the implicit variable in the rows. In the example below, we create to new columns minutes_year and total_membership. Then we also have to tell the function if there are any columns which should remain unchanged. In this case, the conference and district variables should remain the same, so we remove them from the gathering using the same syntax as the select() function.

```
va_wide %>%
gather(year, members_total, -conference, -district)
```

```
# A tibble: 190 x 4
##
##
      conference district
                                      members_total
                               vear
##
      <chr>
                  <chr>
                               <chr>>
                                               <dbl>
                  James River 1812
##
    1 Virginia
                                                5348
##
    2 Virginia
                  Meherren
                               1812
                                                4882
##
    3 Virginia
                               1812
                                                  NA
                  Meherrin
##
    4 Virginia
                  Neuse
                               1812
                                                  NA
    5 Virginia
##
                  Newbern
                                                3511
                               1812
##
    6 Virginia
                  Norfolk
                               1812
                                                4686
    7 Virginia
##
                  Raleigh
                               1812
                                                3822
##
    8 Virginia
                  Roanoke
                               1812
                                                  NΑ
    9 Virginia
                                                  NA
##
                  Tar River
                               1812
                                                3174
## 10 Virginia
                  Yadkin
                               1812
## # ... with 180 more rows
```

We can see the results above. There are two ways that this result is not quite what we want. Because the years were column headers they are treated as character vectors rather than integers. We can manually convert them in a later step, but we can also let gather() do the right thing with the convert = argument. Then we have a lot of NA values which were explicit in the wide table but which can be removed from the long table with na.rm =.

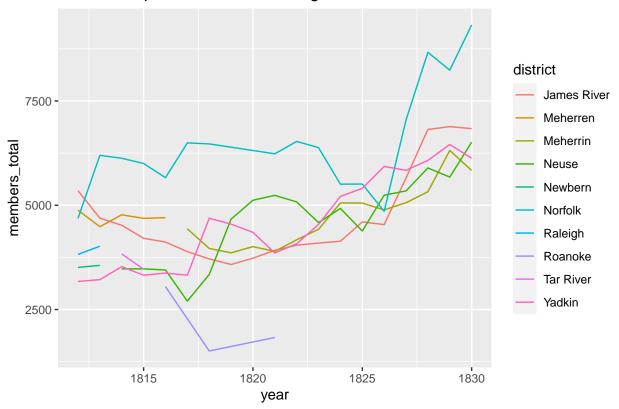
va_long

```
## # A tibble: 100 x 4
##
      conference district
                                year members_total
##
      <chr>
                  <chr>
                               <int>
                                              <dbl>
    1 Virginia
                  James River
                                1812
##
                                               5348
##
    2 Virginia
                  Meherren
                                1812
                                               4882
    3 Virginia
                  Newbern
                                1812
                                               3511
##
    4 Virginia
                  Norfolk
                                1812
                                               4686
    5 Virginia
                                               3822
##
                  Raleigh
                                1812
##
    6 Virginia
                  Yadkin
                                1812
                                               3174
    7 Virginia
##
                  James River
                                1813
                                               4691
##
    8 Virginia
                  Meherren
                                1813
                                               4486
    9 Virginia
                  Newbern
                                1813
                                               3558
## 10 Virginia
                  Norfolk
                                1813
                                               6196
## # ... with 90 more rows
```

Notice that now we can use the data in ggplot2 without any problem.

```
ggplot(va_long,
    aes(x = year, y = members_total, color = district)) +
geom_line() +
ggtitle("Membership of districts in the Virginia conference")
```

Membership of districts in the Virginia conference



The inverse operation of gather() is spread(). With spread() we specify the name of the column which should become the new column headers (in this case minutes_year), and then the name of the column to fill in underneath those new column headers (in this case, total_membership). We can see the results below.

```
va_wide2 <- va_long %>%
   spread(year, members_total)
va_wide2
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 21
##
      conference district
                               1812
                                      `1813` `1814` `1815`
                                                            `1816`
                                                                     `1817`
                                                                             1818
                                                                                    `1819`
##
      <chr>
                  <chr>
                                <dbl>
                                       <dbl>
                                               <dbl>
                                                       <dbl>
                                                               <dbl>
                                                                      <dbl>
                                                                              <dbl>
                                                                                      <dbl>
##
    1 Virginia
                  James Riv~
                                 5348
                                        4691
                                                4520
                                                        4209
                                                               4118
                                                                       3888
                                                                               3713
                                                                                       3580
    2 Virginia
                                                4771
                                 4882
                                        4486
                                                        4687
                                                               4702
                                                                                 NA
##
                  Meherren
                                                                         NA
                                                                                         NA
##
    3 Virginia
                  Meherrin
                                   NA
                                          NA
                                                  NA
                                                          NA
                                                                  NA
                                                                       4435
                                                                               3964
                                                                                       3860
##
    4 Virginia
                  Neuse
                                   NA
                                          NA
                                                3474
                                                        3475
                                                               3448
                                                                       2702
                                                                               3340
                                                                                       4667
    5 Virginia
                  Newbern
                                        3558
##
                                 3511
                                                  NA
                                                          NA
                                                                  NA
                                                                         NA
                                                                                 NA
                                                                                         NA
##
    6 Virginia
                  Norfolk
                                 4686
                                        6196
                                                6127
                                                        6001
                                                               5661
                                                                       6495
                                                                               6471
                                                                                         NA
    7 Virginia
                                 3822
                                        4018
                                                                                         NA
##
                  Raleigh
                                                  NA
                                                          NA
                                                                  NA
                                                                         NA
                                                                                 NA
##
    8 Virginia
                  Roanoke
                                   NA
                                          NA
                                                  NA
                                                          NA
                                                               3049
                                                                         NA
                                                                               1507
                                                                                         NA
##
    9 Virginia
                  Tar River
                                   NA
                                          NA
                                                3834
                                                        3466
                                                                  NA
                                                                         NA
                                                                                 NA
                                                                                         NA
## 10 Virginia
                  Yadkin
                                 3174
                                        3216
                                                3528
                                                        3323
                                                               3374
                                                                       3323
                                                                               4689
                                                                                       4547
## # ... with 11 more variables: `1820` <dbl>, `1821` <dbl>, `1822` <dbl>,
       `1823` <dbl>, `1824` <dbl>, `1825` <dbl>, `1826` <dbl>, `1827` <dbl>,
       `1828` <dbl>, `1829` <dbl>, `1830` <dbl>
## #
```

By looking at the data we can see that we got back to where we started.

Turning long data into wide is often useful when you want to create a tabular representation of data. (And once you have a data frame that can be a table, the knitr::kable() function is quite nice.) And some algorithms, such as clustering algorithms, expect wide data rather than tidy data.

For the exercise, we will use summary statistics of the number of white and black members in the Methodists by year.

```
## # A tibble: 49 x 4
##
       year white black indian
##
      <int> <int> <int>
                           <int>
##
                    2890
                               0
    1
       1786 18291
##
       1787 21949
                    3883
                               0
##
       1788 30557
                    7991
                               0
       1789 34425
                               0
##
                    8840
                               0
##
    5
       1790 45983 11682
##
    6
       1791 50580 13098
                               0
    7
       1792 52079 13871
                               0
##
##
    8
       1793 51486 14420
                               0
##
    9
       1794 52794 13906
                               0
## 10
       1795 48121 12171
                               0
## # ... with 39 more rows
```

(5) The data in methodists_by_year_race could be tidier still. While white, black, and indian are variables, it is perhaps better to think of them as two different variables. One variable would be race, containing the racial descriptions that the Methodists used, and another would be members, containing

the number of members. Using the gather() function, create that data frame.

```
temp <- methodists_by_year_race %>%
  gather(race, members, -year)

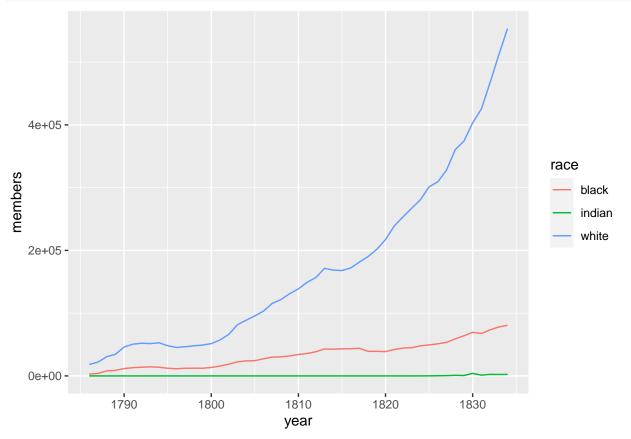
temp

## # A tibble: 147 x 3
```

```
##
       year race members
##
      <int> <chr>
                     <int>
                     18291
##
       1786 white
##
    2
       1787 white
                     21949
##
    3
       1788 white
                     30557
       1789 white
                     34425
##
    4
##
    5
       1790 white
                     45983
##
    6
       1791 white
                     50580
##
       1792 white
                     52079
##
       1793 white
                     51486
##
       1794 white
                     52794
## 10
      1795 white
                     48121
## # ... with 137 more rows
```

(6) Use the data frame you created in the previous step to create a line plot of membership over time, mapping the race column to the color aesthetic.

```
ggplot(temp,
    aes(x = year, y = members, color = race)) +
    geom_line()
```



(7) Now use that newly tidied data frame to create a wide data frame, where the years are the column headers and the racial descriptions are the rows.

```
temp2 <- temp %>%
  spread(year, members)
temp2
## # A tibble: 3 x 50
            `1786`
##
                                  `1789`
                                         `1790`
                                                `1791`
     race
                   `1787`
                           `1788`
                                                        `1792`
                                                               `1793`
                                                                      `1794`
                                                                              1795
##
     <chr>>
             <int>
                    <int>
                            <int>
                                   <int>
                                          <int>
                                                  <int>
                                                         <int>
                                                                <int>
                                                                       <int>
## 1 black
              2890
                     3883
                             7991
                                    8840
                                          11682
                                                  13098
                                                         13871
                                                                14420
                                                                       13906
                                                                               12171
## 2 indian
                                0
                                       0
                                              0
                                                      0
                                                             0
                                                                    0
                                   34425
                                                               51486
## 3 white
             18291
                   21949
                           30557
                                         45983
                                                 50580
                                                        52079
                                                                      52794
                                                                              48121
     ... with 39 more variables: `1796` <int>, `1797` <int>, `1798`
## #
       `1799` <int>, `1800` <int>, `1801` <int>, `1802` <int>, `1803` <int>,
       `1804` <int>, `1805` <int>, `1806` <int>, `1807` <int>, `1808` <int>,
## #
       `1809` <int>, `1810` <int>, `1811` <int>, `1812` <int>, `1813`
       `1814` <int>, `1815` <int>, `1816` <int>, `1817` <int>, `1818` <int>,
## #
## #
       `1819` <int>, `1820` <int>, `1821` <int>, `1822` <int>, `1823` <int>,
       `1824` <int>, `1825` <int>, `1826` <int>, `1827` <int>, `1828` <int>, ...
```

(8) Now use the same tidied data to create a wide data frame where the racial descriptions are column headers and the years are rows.

```
temp3 <- temp %>%
  spread(race, members)
temp3
```

```
## # A tibble: 49 x 4
##
       year black indian white
##
      <int> <int>
                    <int> <int>
##
    1
       1786
             2890
                        0 18291
##
    2
       1787
             3883
                        0 21949
##
    3
       1788
             7991
                        0 30557
       1789
             8840
                        0 34425
##
##
    5
       1790 11682
                        0 45983
##
    6
       1791 13098
                        0 50580
##
    7
       1792 13871
                        0 52079
##
    8
       1793 14420
                        0 51486
    9
       1794 13906
##
                        0 52794
## 10 1795 12171
                        0 48121
## # ... with 39 more rows
```