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0. Missing Data

- Types: MCAR, MAR, MNAR
- Detect: `is.na()`, `sum(is.na())`, `skim()`, `vis_miss()`
- Handle: `drop_na()`, `replace_na()`, mean/median/mode, predictive (regression)

1. Writing Functions

- Structure: `f <- function(arg1, arg2){return(out)}`
- Benefits: reuse, cleaner code, avoids repetition
- Defaults: `f(x, y=2){x+y}`

2. Base R

- apply-family: `apply()`, `lapply()`, `sapply()`, `tapply()`
- Base plots: `plot()`, `hist()`, `boxplot()`

3. Iteration

- `for(i in vec){}` • `while(cond){}`
- purrr: `map()`, `map_df()`, `map_dbl()` (efficient, consistent types)

4. APIs / JSON

- Workflow: `GET(url) → content("text") → fromJSON()`
- Flatten nested: `fromJSON(..., flatten=TRUE)`

5. Web Scraping

- `read_html(url) → html_element() → html_text()`
- Tools: `html_elements()`, `html_attr()`, CSS/XPath
- Ethics: check `robots.txt`, avoid rapid scraping

6. Databases

- Connect: `con <- dbConnect(duckdb(), "db")`
- Access: `tbl(con, "table")` • Execute: `collect()`
- Write: `dbWriteTable()` • List: `dbListTables()`

7. Visualization

- Principles: declutter, readable labels, correct scales, accessible colors (`viridis`)
- Mistakes: 3D charts, too many colors, chopped axes

8. Interactive Viz

- `plot_ly(type="scatter", mode="markers")`
- Convert: `ggplotly(p)`
- Shiny = UI + server + reactive components

9. Quality Control

- Reproducible code, comments, clear names, version control (GitHub)
- Validate: raw vs clean comparison + sample sizes + check assumptions

Key Packages

tidyverse • purrr • httr • jsonlite • rvest • DBI • duckdb • plotly • viridis • nanian • skimr