R4DS Chapters 5 and 13

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5.7.1 Problem 2

Which plane in the flights dataset has the worst on-time record?

```
flights %>%
  filter(!is.na(tailnum) & !is.na(arr_delay)) %>%
  mutate(ontime = arr_delay <= 0) %>%
  group_by(tailnum) %>%
  summarise(
    on_time_prop = mean(ontime),
    flights = n()
) %>%
  filter(flights > 9) %>%
  arrange(on_time_prop) %>%
  head
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
   tailnum on_time_prop flights
     <chr>
                  <dbl>
##
                           <int>
## 1 N168AT
                  0.0588
                              17
## 2 N337AT
                  0.0769
                              13
                  0.0909
## 3 N169AT
                              11
## 4 N290AT
                  0.125
                              16
## 5 N273AT
                  0.154
                              13
## 6 N326AT
                  0.176
                              17
```

The plane with the worst on time record (minimum number of flights is 10) is N168AT with a on time proportion on around 5.8%.

5.7.1 Problem 4

For each destination, compute the total minutes of delay. For each flight, compute the total delay for its destination.

For the first part of this question, we can do:

```
flights %>%
  filter(arr_delay >= 0) %>%
  group_by(dest) %>%
  summarise(minutes_delayed = sum(arr_delay)) %>%
  arrange(desc(minutes_delayed)) %>%
  head
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 2
## dest minutes_delayed
## <chr> <dbl>
```

```
## 1 ATL 300299
## 2 ORD 283046
## 3 CLT 207441
## 4 MCO 206119
## 5 SFO 205406
## 6 LAX 203226
```

Atlanta has some serious delays.

For the second part we can do:

```
flights %>%
  filter(arr_delay > 0) %>%
  group_by(dest, carrier) %>%
  summarise(
    total_arr_delay = sum(arr_delay)
) %>%
  group_by(dest) %>%
  mutate(
    arr_delay_prop = total_arr_delay / sum(total_arr_delay)
) %>%
  arrange(dest, desc(arr_delay_prop))
```

```
## # A tibble: 293 x 4
## # Groups:
               dest [103]
##
      dest carrier total_arr_delay arr_delay_prop
##
      <chr> <chr>
                              <dbl>
                                              <dbl>
##
   1 ABQ
           В6
                               4487
                                           1
## 2 ACK
                               2974
                                           1
            В6
## 3 ALB
            ΕV
                               9580
                                           1
## 4 ANC
            UA
                                 62
                                           1
## 5 ATL
            DL
                             157428
                                           0.524
## 6 ATL
                                           0.186
            FL
                              56000
##
   7 ATL
            ΕV
                              42086
                                           0.140
## 8 ATL
            MQ
                                           0.139
                              41864
## 9 ATL
            UA
                               1982
                                           0.00660
## 10 ATL
            WN
                                           0.00177
                                533
## # ... with 283 more rows
```

5.7.1 Problem 6

Look at each destination. Can you find flights that are suspiciously fast? Compute the air time for a flight relative to the shortest flight to that destination. Which flights were most delayed in the air?

We can compute the average mean air times and identify unusual flights using the following code:

```
flights %>%
  group_by(origin, dest) %>%
  mutate(
    mean_air_time = mean(air_time, na.rm = TRUE)
) %>%
  group_by(flight) %>%
  mutate(
```

```
flight_time_ratio = air_time / mean_air_time
) %>%
select(
  origin, dest, flight, flight_time_ratio, air_time, mean_air_time
) %>%
arrange(flight_time_ratio, desc(mean_air_time))
```

```
## # A tibble: 336,776 x 6
## # Groups:
                flight [3,844]
      origin dest flight flight_time_ratio air_time mean_air_time
##
      <chr>
             <chr>
                     <int>
                                        <dbl>
                                                  <dbl>
                                                                 <dbl>
##
    1 LGA
             BOS
                      2132
                                        0.555
                                                     21
                                                                  37.9
##
    2 LGA
             ATL
                      1499
                                        0.572
                                                     65
                                                                 114.
##
   3 EWR
             GSP
                      4292
                                        0.590
                                                     55
                                                                  93.2
##
   4 LGA
             BOS
                      2142
                                        0.608
                                                     23
                                                                  37.9
## 5 EWR
             BNA
                      3805
                                        0.611
                                                     70
                                                                 115.
##
  6 EWR
             MSP
                      4667
                                        0.617
                                                     93
                                                                 151.
  7 EWR
                      4687
                                                     62
                                                                  96.1
##
             CVG
                                        0.645
## 8 EWR
             RIC
                      3830
                                        0.654
                                                     35
                                                                  53.5
## 9 JFK
             BUF
                      2002
                                        0.665
                                                     38
                                                                  57.1
## 10 JFK
             ROC
                                        0.675
                                                     35
                                                                  51.9
                        30
## # ... with 336,766 more rows
```

Funkily short flights include flight 2132 (from LGA to BOS) and flight 1499 (from LGA to ATL) which had an air time of 65 minutes while the average air time is 113 minutes.

We can compare all flights to the shortest flight in their trip to identify just how delayed some flights were in the air.

```
flights %>%
  group_by(origin, dest) %>%
  mutate(
    shortest_flight_time = min(air_time, na.rm = TRUE),
    air_time_ratio = air_time / shortest_flight_time
) %>%
  select(origin, dest, flight, air_time, shortest_flight_time, air_time_ratio) %>%
  filter(air_time_ratio != 1) %>%
  arrange(desc(air_time_ratio)) %>%
  head
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
## # Groups:
                origin, dest [5]
##
     origin dest flight air_time shortest_flight_time air_time_ratio
##
     <chr>>
             <chr>>
                    <int>
                              <dbl>
                                                      <dbl>
                                                                      <dbl>
## 1 LGA
             BOS
                      2136
                                107
                                                         21
                                                                       5.10
## 2 LGA
             DCA
                     2175
                                131
                                                         32
                                                                       4.09
## 3 JFK
             ACK
                      1491
                                141
                                                         35
                                                                       4.03
## 4 EWR
             BOS
                      1703
                                112
                                                         30
                                                                       3.73
## 5 JFK
             BOS
                      1750
                                  96
                                                         26
                                                                       3.69
## 6 LGA
             BOS
                     2132
                                  77
                                                         21
                                                                       3.67
```

Here we printed out the most delayed flights. The top two most delayed flights originated from LaGuardia and were 5 and 4 times as long as the shortest flight time in that particular trip.

13.4.6 Problem 1

Compute the average delay by destination then join on the airports dataframe so you can show the spatial distribution of delays

First we can grab the average delay by destination:

```
flights %>%
  filter(arr_delay > 0) %>%
  group_by(dest) %>%
  summarise(
    average_delay = mean(arr_delay)
) %>%
  select(dest, average_delay) -> delay_by_dest

colnames(delay_by_dest) <- c("faa", "average_delay")</pre>
```

Now we can use a standard inner_join to attach the latitude and longitude data to the delay_by_dest dataframe. R4DS suggests using semi_join but that shouldn't be necessary given that the airports dataframe should be a superset of delay_by_dest Then we simply map the color aesthetic to the average_delay variable.

```
delay_by_dest %>%
  inner_join(airports, by = "faa") %>%
  select(faa, average_delay, name, lat, lon) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = lon, y = lat)) +
   borders("state") +
   labs(title = "Eastern Seaboard has a ton of delays",
         subtitle = "Cherry Capital Airport in Michigan though takes the cake for longest average delay
         x = "Longitude",
         y = "Latitude") +
    geom_point(aes(color = average_delay),
                   size = 3,
                   alpha = .8) +
   scale_color_continuous("Average Delay",
                           low = "#ffff99", high = "#e60000") +
   theme(
      legend.title = element_text(face = "bold",
                                  size = 10)
   theme_minimal() +
    coord_quickmap()
```

Eastern Seaboard has a ton of delays

Cherry Capital Airport in Michigan though takes the cake for longest average delays

