

Data Management with the `tidyverse`

Adapted from parts of Mine Çetinkaya-Rundel's tidyverse course

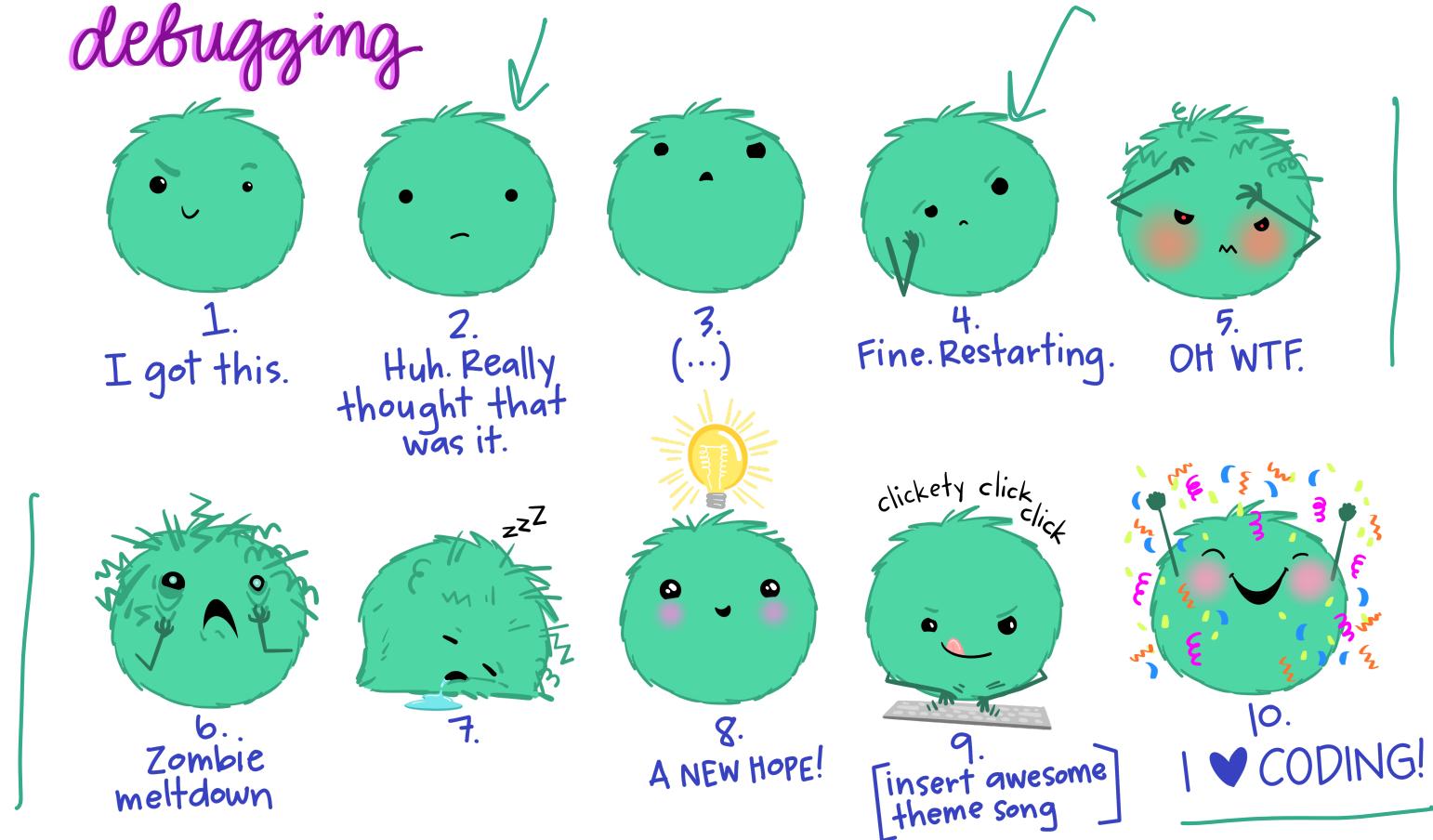
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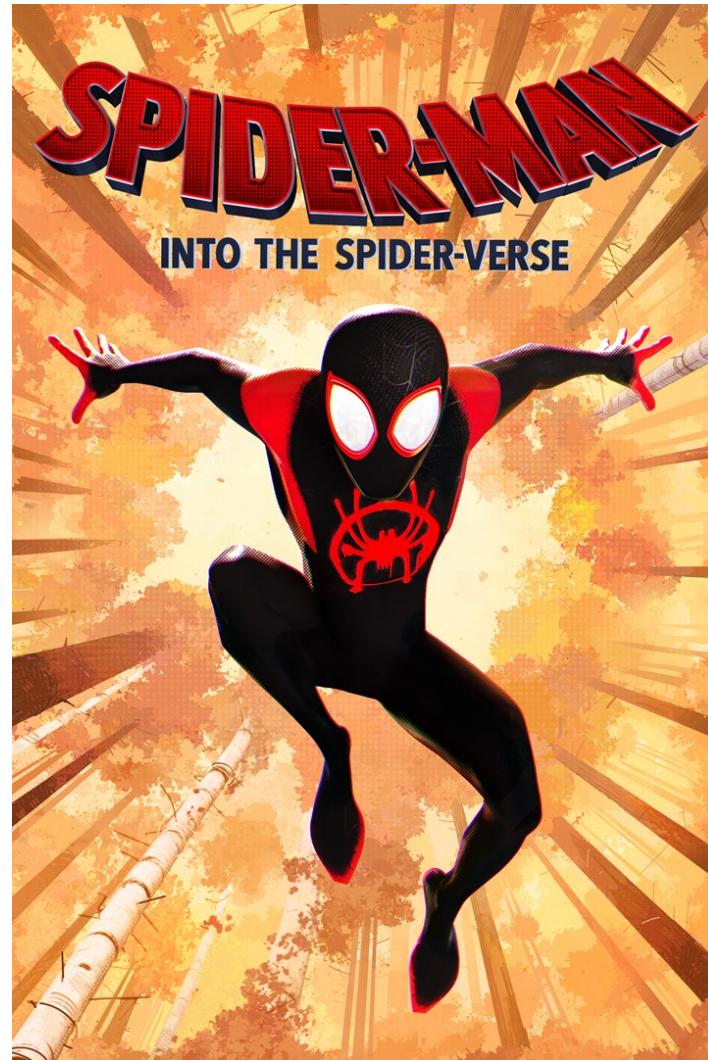
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Introduction to the tidyverse



What is the tidyverse?

The **tidyverse** is a collection of R packages designed for data science. All packages share an underlying design philosophy, grammar, and data structures.

- **ggplot2** - data visualisation
- **dplyr** - data manipulation
- **tidyr** - tidy data
- **readr** - read rectangular data
- **purrr** - functional programming
- • **tibble** - modern data frames
- **stringr** - string manipulation
- **forcats** - factors
- and many more ...



Tidy data¹

country	year	cases	population
Afghanistan	1990	745	1981071
Afghanistan	2000	2666	2059360
Brazil	1999	37737	172006362
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China	2000	213766	128042583

variables

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observations

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values

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

Pipe operator (`magrittr`)

- The pipe operator (`%>%`) allows us to step through sequential functions in the same way we follow if-then statements or steps from instructions

I want to find my keys, then start my car, then drive to work, then park my car.

Nested Base R

```
1 park(drive(start_car(find("keys"))),  
2      to = "work"))
```



Piped

```
1 find("keys") %>%  
2   start_car() %>%  
3   drive(to = "work") %>%  
4   park()
```

Recoding a binary variable with pipe operator

Let's say I want a variable `transmission` to show the category names that are assigned to numeric values in the code. I want `0` to be coded as automatic and `1` to be coded as manual.

Base R:

```
1 mtcars$transmission <-  
2 ifelse(  
3   mtcars$am == 0,  
4   "automatic",  
5   "manual"  
6 )
```

Tidyverse:

```
1 mtcars <- mtcars %>%  
2 mutate(  
3   transmission = case_when(  
4     am == 0 ~ "automatic",  
5     am == 1 ~ "manual"  
6   )  
7 )
```

automatic/manual

`mutate()` creates new columns that are functions of existing variables

Recoding a multi-level variable

Let's say I want a variable `gear` to show the category names that are assigned to numeric values in the code. I want 3 to be coded as gear `three`, 4 to be coded as gear `four`, 5 to be coded as gear `five`.

Base R:

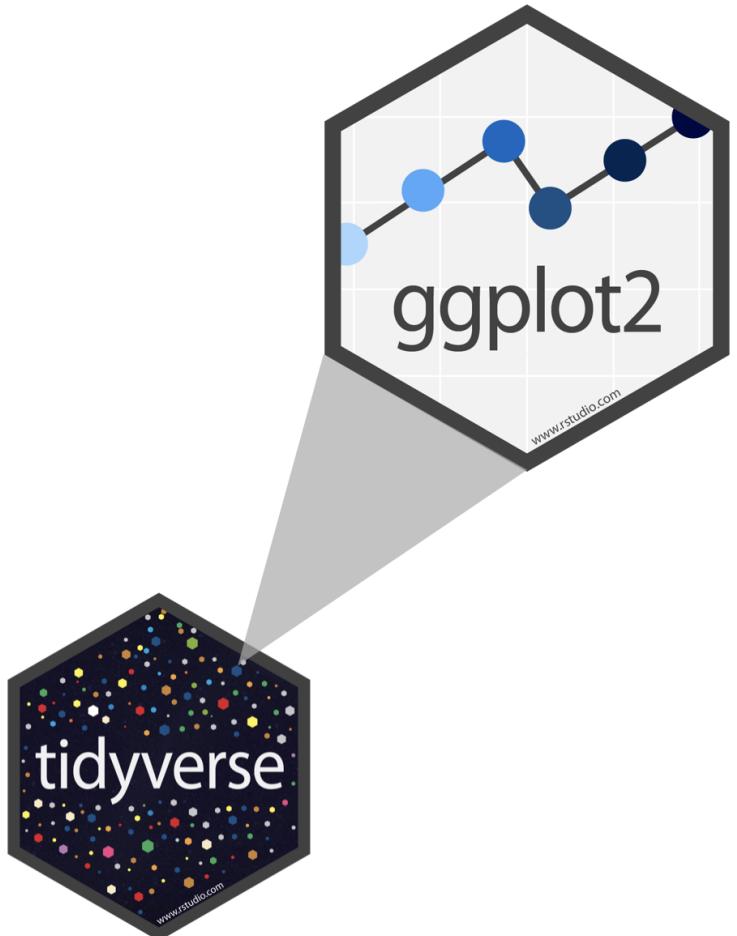
```
1 mtcars$gear_char <-  
2   ifelse(  
3     mtcars$gear == 3,  
4     "three",  
5     ifelse(  
6       mtcars$gear == 4,  
7       "four",  
8       "five"  
9     )  
10   )
```

Tidyverse:

```
1 mtcars <- mtcars %>%  
2   mutate(  
3     gear_char = case_when(  
4       gear == 3 ~ "three",  
5       gear == 4 ~ "four",  
6       gear == 5 ~ "five"  
7     )  
8   )
```

ggplot2 revisited

ggplot2 in tidyverse

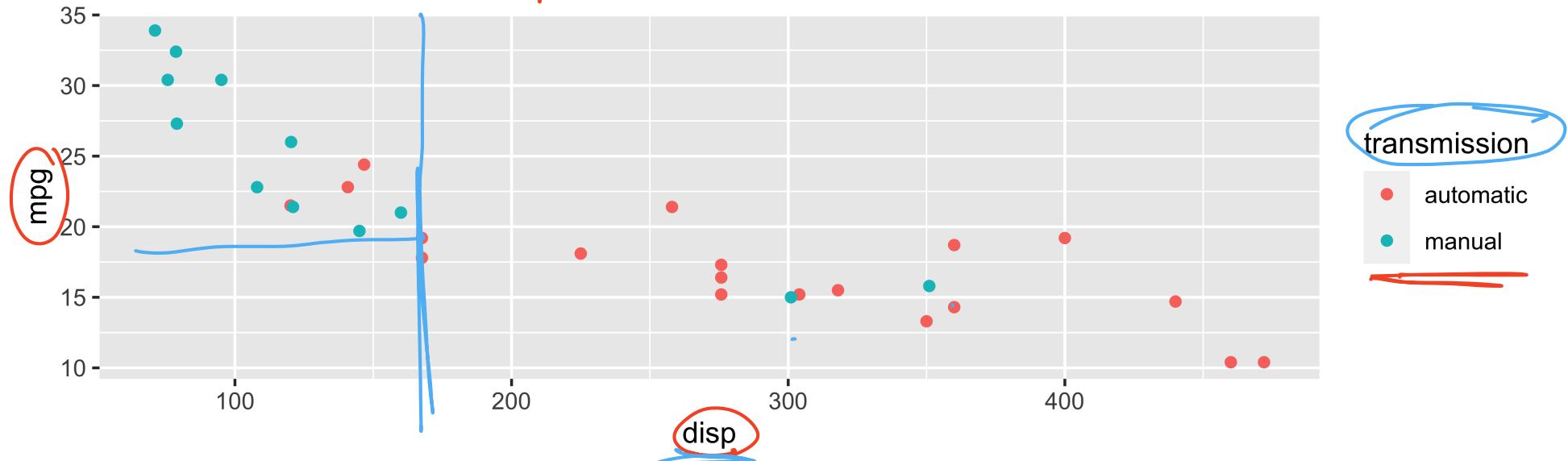


- We talked about this in our review notes
 - I want to revisit it: always helps to have more examples!
 - This example is closer to the multivariable work we'll do in this class!
- **ggplot2** is tidyverse's data visualization package
- The **gg** in "ggplot2" stands for Grammar of Graphics
- It is inspired by the book **Grammar of Graphics** by Leland Wilkinson

Tidyverse: Visualizing multiple variables

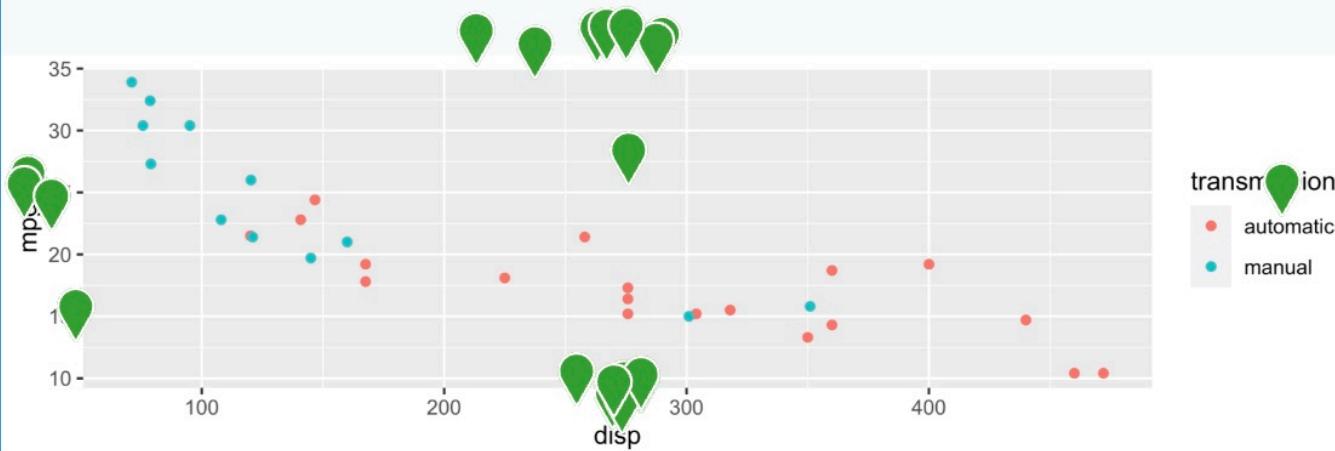
engine displacement = disp

```
1 ggplot(  
2   mtcars, ← dataset  
3   →aes(x = disp, y = mpg, color = transmission)) +  
4   geom_point() ← scatterplot
```



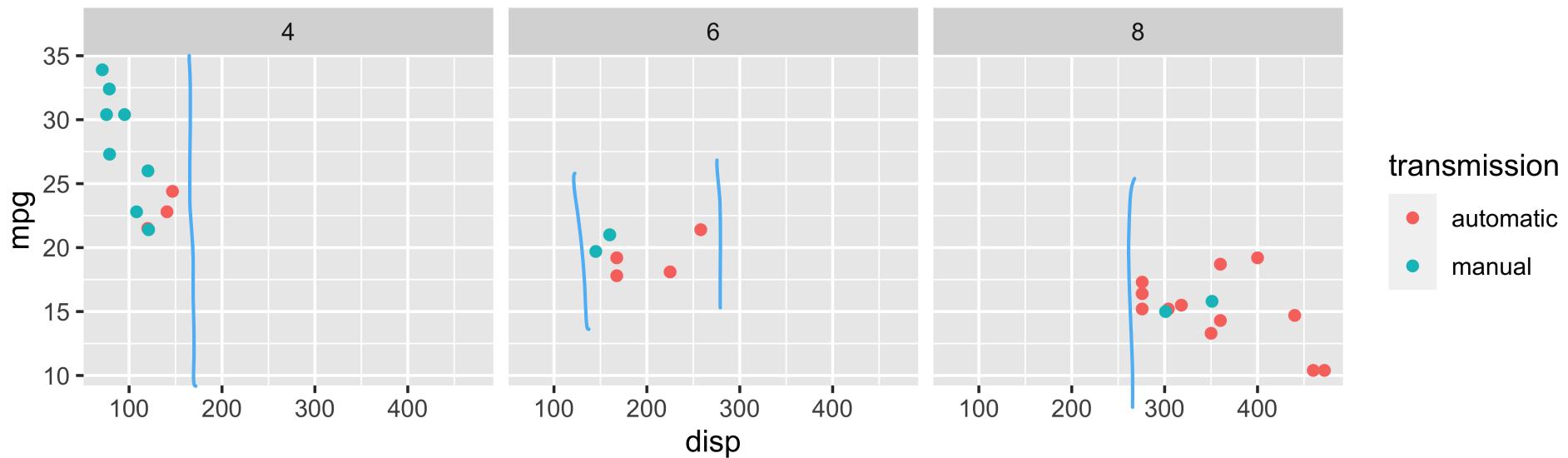
Poll Everywhere Question 1

What would you change on the following plot? Click areas that you would make changes.



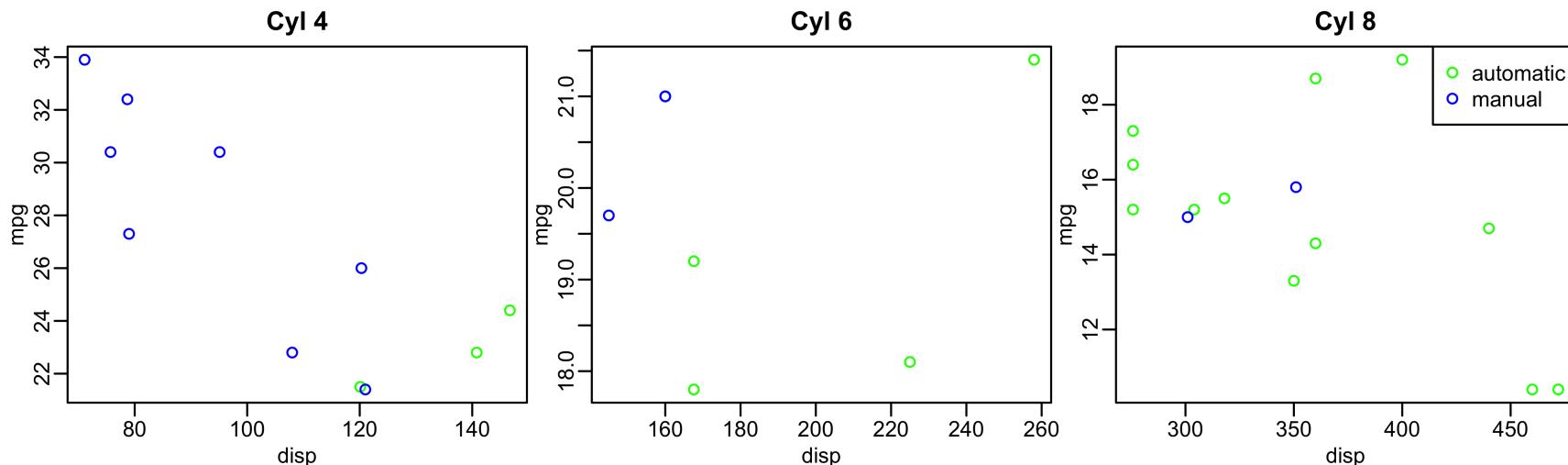
Tidyverse: Visualizing even more variables

```
1 ggplot(  
2   mtcars,  
3   aes(x = disp, y = mpg, color = transmission)) +  
4   geom_point() +  
5   facet_wrap(~ cyl)
```



Base R: Visualizing even more variables

```
1 mtcars$trans_color <- ifelse(mtcars$transmission == "automatic", "green", "blue")
2 mtcars_cyl4 = mtcars[mtcars$cyl == 4, ]
3 mtcars_cyl6 = mtcars[mtcars$cyl == 6, ]
4 mtcars_cyl8 = mtcars[mtcars$cyl == 8, ]
5 par(mfrow = c(1, 3), mar = c(2.5, 2.5, 2, 0), mgp = c(1.5, 0.5, 0))
6 plot(mpg ~ disp, data = mtcars_cyl4, col = trans_color, main = "Cyl 4")
7 plot(mpg ~ disp, data = mtcars_cyl6, col = trans_color, main = "Cyl 6")
8 plot(mpg ~ disp, data = mtcars_cyl8, col = trans_color, main = "Cyl 8")
9 legend("topright", legend = c("automatic", "manual"), pch = 1, col = c("green", "blue"))
```



Functions for data management

Important functions for data management

Data manipulation

- `pivot_longer()` and `pivot_wider()`
- `rename()`
- `mutate()`
- `filter()`
- `select()`

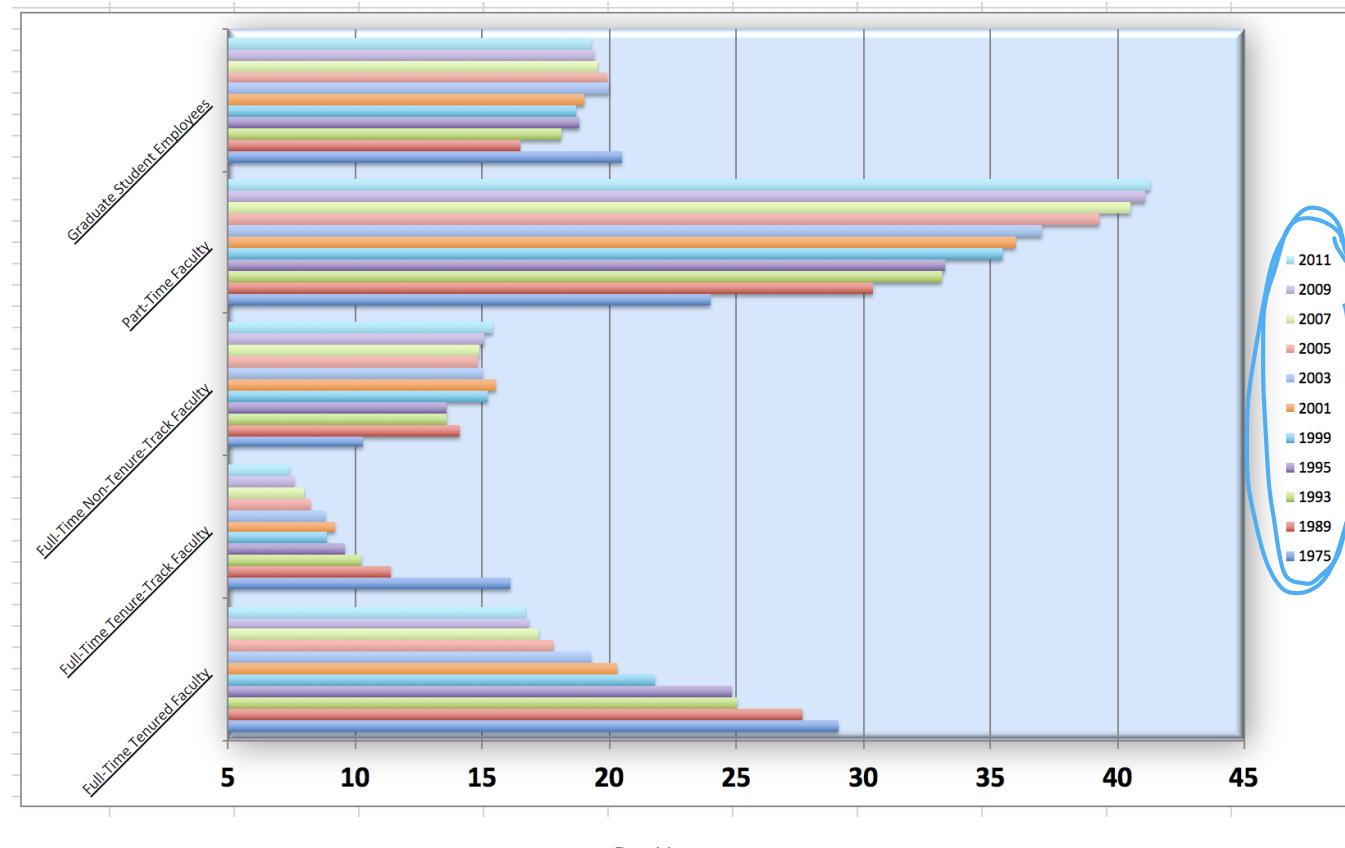
Summarizing data

- `tbl_summary()`
- `group_by()`
- `summarize()`
- `across()`

Data manipulation

Example for `pivot_longer()`: Instructional staff employment trends

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) is a nonprofit membership association of faculty and other academic professionals. [This report](#) by the AAUP shows trends in instructional staff employees between 1975 and 2011, and contains an image very similar to the one given below.



Data

Each row in this dataset represents a faculty type, and the columns are the years for which we have data. The values are percentage of hires of that type of faculty for each year.

```
1 staff <- read_csv("data/instructional-staff.csv"))  
# A tibble: 5 × 12  
  faculty_type `1975` `1989` `1993` `1995` `1999` `2001` `2003` `2005` `2007`  
  <chr>     <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>  
1 Full-Time Tenu...    29      27.6     25     24.8    21.8    20.3    19.3    17.8    17.2  
2 Full-Time Tenu...    16.1     11.4     10.2     9.6     8.9     9.2     8.8     8.2      8  
3 Full-Time Non-...    10.3     14.1     13.6     13.6    15.2    15.5     15     14.8    14.9  
4 Part-Time Facu...    24       30.4     33.1     33.2    35.5     36      37     39.3    40.5  
5 Graduate Studen...   20.5     16.5     18.1     18.8    18.7     19      20     19.9    19.5  
# i 2 more variables: `2009` <dbl>, `2011` <dbl>
```

Poll Everywhere Question 2

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Activity is now locked.
Responses are not accepted at this time.

Is the instructional staff data in a tidy format?

Yes! Looks good!

29%

```
1 (staff <- read_csv("data/instructional-staff.csv"))
# A tibble: 5 × 12
#>   faculty_type `1975` `1989` `1993` `1995` `1999` `2001` `2003` `2005` `2007` 
#>   <chr>        <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl> 
1 Full-Time Tenu... 29     27.6   25     24.8   21.8   28.3   19.3   17.8   17.2 
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3 Full-Time Non-... 10.3   14.1   13.6   13.6   15.2   15.5   15     14.8   14.9  
4 Part-Time Facu... 24     30.4   33.1   33.2   35.5   36     37     39.3   40.5  
5 Graduate Stude... 20.5   16.5   18.1   18.8   18.7   19     20     19.9   19.5  
#> # i 2 more variables: `2009` <dbl>, `2011` <dbl>
```

No! Tidy it up!

71%

Recreate the visualization

- In order to recreate this visualization we need to first reshape the data:
 - one variable for faculty type
 - one variable for year
- Convert the data from the wide format to long format
 - `pivot_longer()`



`pivot_*`() functions

wide

id	x	y	z
1	a	c	e
2	b	d	f

Poll Everywhere Question 3

If the long data will have a row for each year/faculty type combination, and there are 5 faculty types and 11 years of data, how many rows will the data have?

55

13 0



55

6 0



55

5 0



55



Pivot staff data and mutate percentage

★ muddiest points ★

```
1 (staff_long <- staff %>%
2   pivot_longer(
3     cols = -faculty_type, # columns to pivot
4     names_to = "year",    # name of new column for variable names
5     values_to = "percentage" # name of new column for values
6   ) %>%
7   mutate(percentage = as.numeric(percentage))
8 )
```

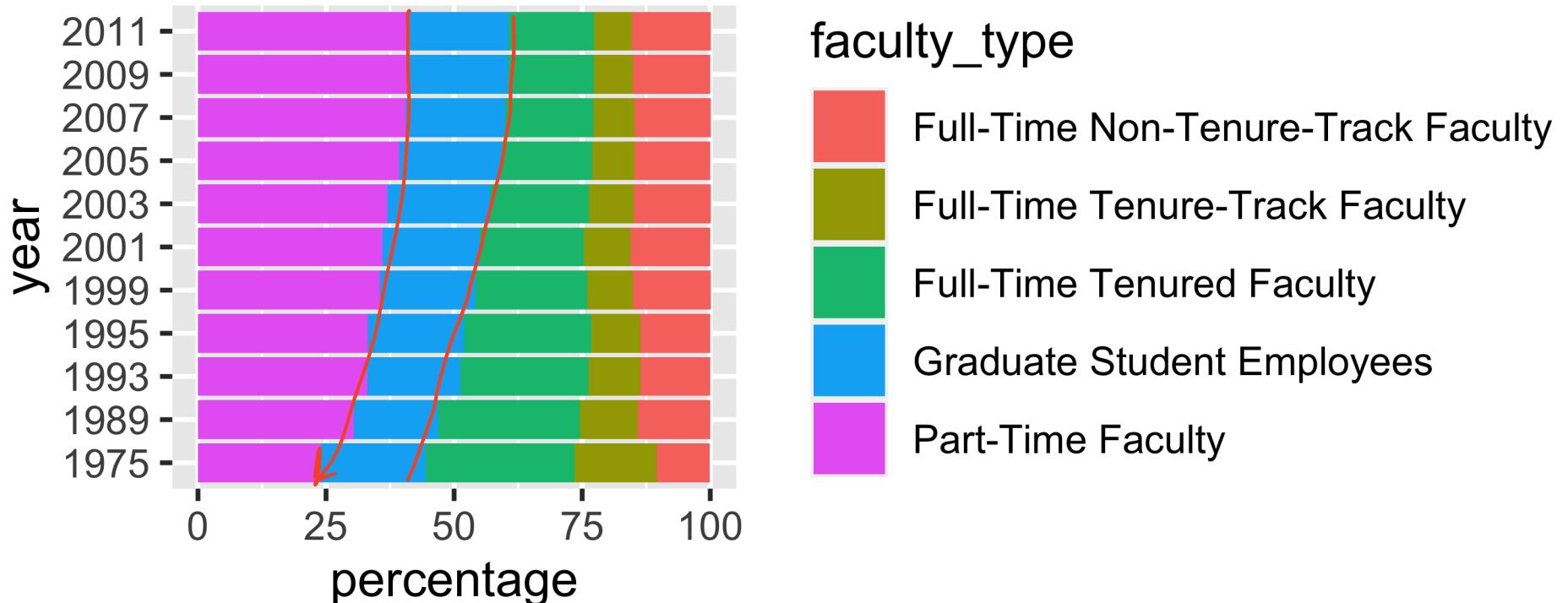
1-12

```
# A tibble: 55 × 3
  faculty_type      year  percentage
  <chr>            <chr>     <dbl>
1 Full-Time Tenured Faculty 1975      29
2 Full-Time Tenured Faculty 1989      27.6
3 Full-Time Tenured Faculty 1993      25
4 Full-Time Tenured Faculty 1995      24.8
5 Full-Time Tenured Faculty 1999      21.8
6 Full-Time Tenured Faculty 2001      20.3
7 Full-Time Tenured Faculty 2003      19.3
```

cols = 2:12
cols = = faculty-type
cols = c('1975', '1989',
listing variable names

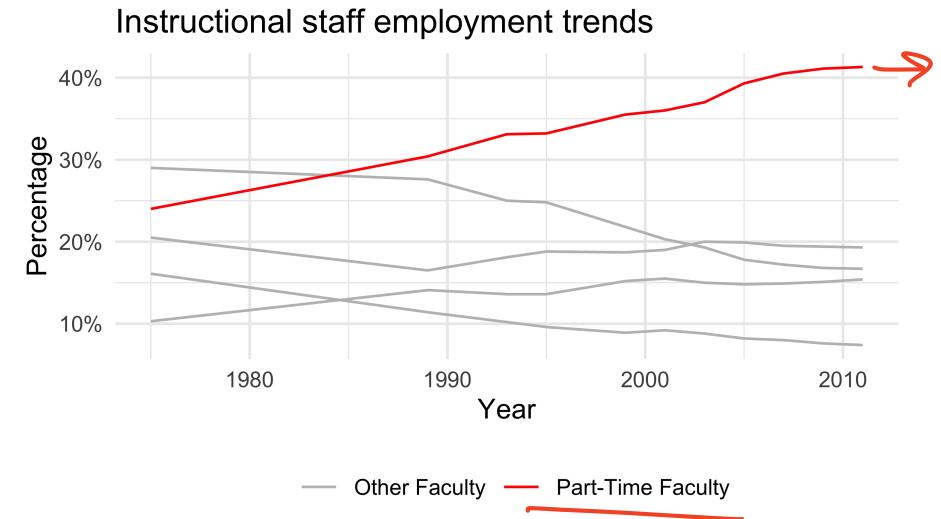
A “meh” plot over the years

```
1 ggplot(staff_long, aes(x = percentage, y = year, fill = faculty_type)) +  
2 geom_col()
```



More improvement

```
1 staff_long %>%
2   mutate(
3     part_time = if_else(faculty_type == "Part-Time Faculty",
4                           "Part-Time Faculty", "Other Faculty")
5   year = as.numeric(year)) %>%
6   ggplot(
7     aes(x = year, y = percentage/100, group = faculty_type)
8   geom_line() +
9   scale_color_manual(values = c("gray", "red")) +
10  scale_y_continuous(labels = label_percent(accuracy = 1))
11  theme_minimal() +
12  labs(
13    title = "Instructional staff employment trends",
14    x = "Year", y = "Percentage", color = NULL) +
15  theme(legend.position = "bottom")
```



All that just to show one helpful function

Now we can move onto the other functions mentioned:

Data manipulation

- `pivot_longer()` and `pivot_wider()`
- `rename()`
- `mutate()`
- `filter()`
- `select()`

Summarizing data

- `tbl_summary()`
- `group_by()`
- `summarize()`
- `across()`

Let's look back at the `dds.discr` dataset that I briefly used last class

- We will load the data (This is a special case! `dds.discr` is a built-in R dataset)

```
1 data("dds.discr")
```

- Now, let's take a glimpse at the dataset:

```
1 glimpse(dds.discr)
```

Rows: 1,000

Columns: 6

```
$ id          <int> 10210, 10409, 10486, 10538, 10568, 10690, 10711, 10778, 1...
$ age.cohort <fct> 13-17, 22-50, 0-5, 18-21, 13-17, 13-17, 13-17, 13-17, 13-...
$ age         <int> 17, 37, 3, 19, 13, 15, 13, 17, 14, 13, 13, 14, 15, 17, 20...
$ gender      <fct> Female, Male, Male, Female, Male, Female, Female, Male, F...
$ expenditures <int> 2113, 41924, 1454, 6400, 4412, 4566, 3915, 3873, 5021, 28...
$ ethnicity   <fct> White not Hispanic, White not Hispanic, Hispanic, Hispani...
```



rename(): one of the first things I usually do

- I notice that two variables have values that don't necessarily match the variable name
 - Female and male are not genders
 - "White not Hispanic" combines race and ethnicity into one category

I want to rename gender to SAB (sex assigned at birth) and rename ethnicity to R_E (race and ethnicity)

↳ current sex

```
1 dds.discr1 = dds.discr %>%
2   rename(SAB = gender,
3           R_E = ethnicity)
4
5 glimpse(dds.discr1)
```

Rows: 1,000
Columns: 6

\$ id	<int>	10210, 10409, 10486, 10538, 10568, 10690, 10711, 10778, 1...
\$ age.cohort	<fct>	13-17, 22-50, 0-5, 18-21, 13-17, 13-17, 13-17, 13-17, 13-...
\$ age	<int>	17, 37, 3, 19, 13, 15, 13, 17, 14, 13, 13, 14, 15, 17, 20...
\$ SAB	<fct>	Female, Male, Male, Female, Male, Female, Female, Male, F...
\$ expenditures	<int>	2113, 41924, 1454, 6400, 4412, 4566, 3915, 3873, 5021, 28...
\$ R_E	<fct>	White not Hispanic, White not Hispanic, Hispanic, Hispani...

→ age-fac

mutate(): constructing new variables from what you have

- We've seen a couple examples for `mutate()` so far (mostly because its used so often!)
- We haven't seen an example where we make a new variable from two variables

I want to make a variable that is the ratio of expenditures over age

```
1 dds.dscr2 = dds.dscr1 %>%
2   mutate(exp_to_age = expenditures / age)
3
4 glimpse(dds.dscr2)
```

Rows: 1,000
Columns: 7

	id	age.cohort	age	SAB	expenditures	exp_to_age
1	10210, 10409, 10486, 10538, 10568, 10690, 10711, 10778, 1...	13-17, 22-50, 0-5, 18-21, 13-17, 13-17, 13-17, 13-17, 13-...	17, 37, 3, 19, 13, 15, 13, 17, 14, 13, 13, 14, 15, 17, 20...	Female, Male, Male, Female, Male, Female, Female, Male, F...	2113, 41924, 1454, 6400, 4412, 4566, 3915, 3873, 5021, 28...	124.2941, 1133.0811, 484.6667, 336.8421, 339.3846, 304.40...

Poll Everywhere Question 4

What function could help us construct the age.cohort variable from the age variable?

rename()

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select()

8%

mutate()

92%

glimpse()

0%

filter(): keep rows that match a condition

- What if I want to subset the data frame? (keep certain rows of observations)

I want to look at the data for people who between 50 and 60 years old

```
1 dds.dscr3 = dds.dscr2 %>%
2   filter(age >= 50 & age <= 60)
3
4 glimpse(dds.dscr3)
```

Rows: 23
Columns: 7

	id	age.cohort	age	SAB	expenditures	exp_to_age
1	15970, 19412, 29506, 31658, 36123, 39287, 39672, 43455, 4...	51+, 51+, 51+, 51+, 51+, 51+, 51+, 51+, 51+, 51+, 51...	51, 60, 56, 60, 59, 59, 54, 57, 52, 57, 55, 52, 59, 54, 5...	Female, Female, Female, Female, Male, Female, Female, Mal...	54267, 57702, 48215, 46873, 42739, 44734, 52833, 48363, 5...	1064.0588, 961.7000, 860.9821, 781.2167, 724.3898, 758.20...
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$50 \leq age \leq 60$

instead of & : you used |

OR

select(): keep or drop columns using their names and types

- What if I want to remove or keep certain variables?

I want to only have age and expenditure in my data frame

```
1 dds.dscr4 = dds.dscr2 %>%
2   select(age, expenditures) select(- age , - expenditures)
3   keep remove age & expenditures
4 glimpse(dds.dscr4)
```

Rows: 1,000

Columns: 2

```
$ age      <int> 17, 37, 3, 19, 13, 15, 13, 17, 14, 13, 13, 14, 15, 17, 20...
$ expenditures <int> 2113, 41924, 1454, 6400, 4412, 4566, 3915, 3873, 5021, 28...
```

Summarizing Data

tbl_summary() : table summary (1/2)

- What if I want one of those fancy summary tables that are at the top of most research articles? (lovingly called “Table 1”)

```
1 library(gtsummary)
2 tbl_summary(dds.dscr2)
```

* options to change
from median to mean

Characteristic	N = 1,000 [†]
age.cohort	55,385 (31,809, 76,135)
0-5	82 (8.2%)
6-12	175 (18%)
13-17	212 (21%)
18-21	199 (20%)
22-50	226 (23%)
51+	106 (11%)
age → Age	18 (12, 26)
SAB	
Female	503 (50%)
Male	497 (50%)
expenditures	7,026 (2,899, 37,713)
R_E → Race/Ethnicity	
American Indian	4 (0.4%)
Asian	129 (13%)
Black	59 (5.9%)
Hispanic	376 (38%)
Multi Race	26 (2.6%)
Native Hawaiian	3 (0.3%)
Other	2 (0.2%)
White not Hispanic	401 (40%)
exp_to_age	462 (274, 938)

tbl_summary() : table summary (2/2)

- Let's make this more presentable

```
1 dds.dscr2 %>%
2 → select(-id, -age.cohort, -exp_to_age) %>%
3   tbl_summary(label = c(age ~ "Age",
4                       R_E ~ "Race/Ethnicity",
5                       SAB ~ "Sex Assigned at Birth",
6                       expenditures ~ "Expenditures"))
```

Characteristic	N = 1,000 [†]
Age	18 (12, 26)
Sex Assigned at Birth	
Female	503 (50%)
Male	497 (50%)
Expenditures	7,026 (2,899, 37,713)
Race/Ethnicity	
American Indian	4 (0.4%)
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[†] Median (IQR); n (%)

group_by(): group by one or more variables

- What if I want to quickly look at group differences?
- It will not change how the data look, but changes the actions of following functions

I want to group my data by sex assigned at birth.

```
1 dds.dscr5 = dds.dscr2 %>%
2   group_by(SAB)
3 glimpse(dds.dscr5)
```

Rows: 1,000

Columns: 7

Groups: SAB [2]

```
$ id          <int> 10210, 10409, 10486, 10538, 10568, 10690, 10711, 10778, 1...
$ age.cohort <fct> 13-17, 22-50, 0-5, 18-21, 13-17, 13-17, 13-17, 13-...
$ age         <int> 17, 37, 3, 19, 13, 15, 13, 17, 14, 13, 13, 14, 15, 17, 20...
$ SAB         <fct> Female, Male, Male, Female, Male, Female, Female, Male, F...
$ expenditures <int> 2113, 41924, 1454, 6400, 4412, 4566, 3915, 3873, 5021, 28...
$ R_E         <fct> White not Hispanic, White not Hispanic, Hispanic, Hispani...
$ exp_to_age  <dbl> 124.2941, 1133.0811, 484.6667, 336.8421, 339.3846, 304.40...
```

- Let's see how the groups change something like the `summarize()` function in the next slide

summarize(): summarize your data or grouped data into one row

- What if I want to calculate specific descriptive statistics for my variables?
- This function is often best used with `group_by()`
- If only presenting the summaries, functions like `tbl_summary()` is better
- `summarize()` creates a new data frame, which means you can plot and manipulate the summarized data

Over whole sample:

```
1 dds.dscr2 %>%
2   summarize(
3     ave = mean(expenditures),
4     SD = sd(expenditures),
5     med = median(expenditures))
# A tibble: 1 × 3
  ave    SD    med
  <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1 18066. 19543. 7026
```

Grouped by sex assigned at birth:

```
1 dds.dscr2 %>%
2   group_by(SAB) %>%
3   summarize(
4     ave = mean(expenditures),
5     SD = sd(expenditures),
6     med = median(expenditures))
# A tibble: 2 × 4
```

SAB	ave	SD	med
Female	18130.	20020.	6400
Male	18001.	19068.	7219

across(): apply a function across multiple columns

- Like `group_by()`, this function is often paired with another transformation function

I want all my integer values to have two significant figures.

```
1 dds.discr6 = dds.discr2 %>%
2   mutate(across(where(is.integer)), signif,
3         digits = 2))
4 glimpse(dds.discr6)
```

which variables have int values? id, age, expend

Rows: 1,000
Columns: 7

\$ id		<dbl>	10000, 10000, 10000, 11000, 11000, 11000, 11000, 11000, 1...			
\$ age.cohort		<fct>	13-17, 22-50, 0-5, 18-21, 13-17, 13-17, 13-17, 13-17, 13...			
\$ age		<dbl>	17, 37, 3, 19, 13, 15, 13, 17, 14, 13, 13, 14, 15, 17, 20...			
\$ SAB		<fct>	Female, Male, Male, Female, Male, Female, Female, Male, F...			
\$ expenditures		<dbl>	2100, 42000, 1500, 6400, 4400, 4600, 3900, 3900, 5000, 29...			
\$ R_E		<fct>	White not Hispanic, White not Hispanic, Hispanic, Hispani...			
\$ exp to age		<dbl>	124.2941, 1133.0811, 484.6667, 336.8421, 339.3846, 304.40...			

Resources

dplyr resources

- More `dplyr` functions to reference!

Additional details and examples are available in the vignettes:

- column-wise operations vignette
- row-wise operations vignette

and the `dplyr` 1.0.0 release blog posts:

- working across columns
- working within rows

R programming class at OHSU!

You can check out [Dr. Jessica Minnier's R class page](#) if you want more notes, videos, etc.

The larger tidy ecosystem

Just to name a few...

- janitor
- kableExtra
- patchwork
- gghighlight
- tidybayes

Credit to Mine Çetinkaya-Rundel

- These notes were built from Mine's notes
 - Most pages and code were left as she made them
 - I changed a few things to match our class
- Please see [her Github repository](#) for the original notes

