# TRES Tidyverse Tutorial

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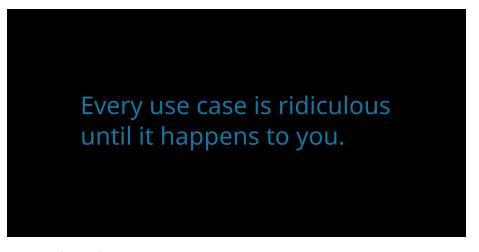
# 12 Outline

13	This i	s the readable version of the TRES tidyverse tutorial, with these sections:
14	1.	Reading data and string manipulation with readr, stringr, and glue
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## 23 Chapter 1

# Reading files and stringmanipulation



library(readr)
library(stringr)
library(glue)

#### 27 1.1 Section on readr

## 1.2 String manipulation with stringr

stringr is the tidyverse package for string manipulation, and exists in an interesting symbiosis with the stringi package. For the most part, stringr is a wrapper around

stringi, and is almost always more than sufficient for day-to-day needs.

## [1] 5 3

stringr functions begin with str\_.

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1.2.1 Putting strings together
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```
Concatenate two strings with str_c, and duplicate strings with str_dup. Flatten a list
or vector of strings using str_flatten.
   # str_c works like paste(), choose a separator
   str c("this string", "this other string", sep = " ")
36 ## [1] "this string this other string"
   # str dup works like rep
   str_dup("this string", times = 3)
37 ## [1] "this stringthis stringthis string"
   # str_flatten works on lists and vectors
   str_flatten(string = as.list(letters), collapse = "_")
38 ## [1] "a_b_c_d_e_f_g_h_i_j_k_l_m_n_o_p_q_r_s_t_u_v_w_x_y_z"
   str_flatten(string = letters, collapse = "-")
39 ## [1] "a-b-c-d-e-f-g-h-i-j-k-l-m-n-o-p-q-r-s-t-u-v-w-x-y-z"
40 str_flatten is especially useful when displaying the type of an object that returns a list
when class is called on it.
   # get the class of a tibble and display it as a single string
   class tibble = class(tibble::tibble(a = 1))
   str_flatten(string = class_tibble, collapse = ", ")
## [1] "tbl_df, tbl, data.frame"
43 1.2.2 Detecting strings
44 Count the frequency of a pattern in a string with str_count. Returns an integer. Detect
whether a pattern exists in a string with str_detect. Returns a logical and can be used
46 as a predicate.
Both are vectorised, i.e, automatically applied to a vector of arguments.
   # there should be 5 a-s here
   str_count(string = "ababababa", pattern = "a")
48 ## [1] 5
   # vectorise over the input string
   # should return a vector of length 2, with integers 5 and 3
   str_count(string = c("ababbabababa", "banana"), pattern = "a")
```

```
# vectorise over the pattern to count both a-s and b-s
   str_count(string = "ababababa", pattern = c("a", "b"))
50 ## [1] 5 4
Vectorising over both string and pattern works as expected.
   # vectorise over both string and pattern
   # counts a-s in first input, and b-s in the second
   str_count(string = c("ababababa", "banana"),
             pattern = c("a", "b"))
52 ## [1] 5 1
   # provide a longer pattern vector to search for both a-s
   # and b-s in both inputs
   str_count(string = c("ababababa", "banana"),
            pattern = c("a", "b",
                        "b", "a"))
53 ## [1] 5 1 4 3
54 str_locate locates the search pattern in a string, and returns the start and end as a two
55 column matrix.
   # the behaviour of both str_locate and str_locate_all is
   # to find the first match by default
   str_locate(string = "banana", pattern = "ana")
           start end
56 ##
57 ## [1,]
               2
   # str detect detects a sequence in a string
   str_detect(string = "Bananageddon is coming!",
              pattern = "na")
58 ## [1] TRUE
   # str_detect is also vectorised and returns a two-element logical vector
   str_detect(string = "Bananageddon is coming!",
              pattern = c("na", "don"))
59 ## [1] TRUE TRUE
   # use any or all to convert a multi-element logical to a single logical
   # here we ask if either of the patterns is detected
   any(str_detect(string = "Bananageddon is coming!",
                   pattern = c("na", "don")))
60 ## [1] TRUE
61 Detect whether a string starts or ends with a pattern. Also vectorised. Both have a negate
62 argument, which returns the negative, i.e., returns FALSE if the search pattern is de-
63 tected.
```

```
# taken straight from the examples, because they suffice
   fruit <- c("apple", "banana", "pear", "pineapple")</pre>
   # str_detect looks at the first character
   str_starts(fruit, "p")
64 ## [1] FALSE FALSE TRUE TRUE
   # str_ends looks at the last character
   str ends(fruit, "e")
65 ## [1] TRUE FALSE FALSE TRUE
   # an example of negate = TRUE
   str_ends(fruit, "e", negate = TRUE)
  ## [1] FALSE TRUE TRUE FALSE
67 str_subset [WHICH IS NOT RELATED TO str_sub] helps with subsetting a character
68 vector based on a str_detect predicate. In the example, all elements containing "ba-
  nana" are subset.
  str_which has the same logic except that it returns the vector position and not the ele-
71 ments.
   # should return a subset vector containing the first two elements
   str_subset(c("banana",
                 "bananageddon is coming",
                 "applegeddon is not real"),
               pattern = "banana")
72 ## [1] "banana"
                                       "bananageddon is coming"
   # returns an integer vector
   str_which(c("banana",
                 "bananageddon is coming",
                 "applegeddon is not real"),
               pattern = "banana")
73 ## [1] 1 2
74 1.2.3 Matching strings
75 str_match returns all positive matches of the pattern in the string. The return type is a
<sup>76</sup> list, with one element per search pattern.
77 A simple case is shown below where the search pattern is the phrase "banana".
   str match(string = c("banana",
                          "bananageddon",
                          "bananas are bad"),
              pattern = "banana")
```

```
##
             [,1]
    ## [1,] "banana"
    ## [2,] "banana"
    ## [3,] "banana"
    The search pattern can be extended to look for multiple subsets of the search pattern.
82
    Consider searching for dates and times.
83
    Here, the search pattern is a regex pattern that looks for a set of four digits (\d4) and
84
    a month name (\\w+) seperated by a hyphen. There's much more to be explored in deal-
85
    ing with dates and times in [lubridate] (https://lubridate.tidyverse.org/),
86
    another tidyverse package.
87
    The return type is a list, each element is a character matrix where the first column is
    the string subset matching the full search pattern, and then as many columns as there
89
    are parts to the search pattern. The parts of interest in the search pattern are indicated
    by wrapping them in parentheses. For example, in the case below, wrapping [-.] in
    parentheses will turn it into a distinct part of the search pattern.
    # first with [-.] treated simply as a separator
    str_match(string = c("1970-somemonth-01",
                            "1990-anothermonth-01",
                            "2010-thismonth-01"),
               pattern = "(\d{4})[-.](\w+)")
    ##
             [,1]
                                     [,2]
                                             [,3]
    ## [1,] "1970-somemonth"
                                     "1970" "somemonth"
    ## [2,] "1990-anothermonth" "1990" "anothermonth"
    ## [3,] "2010-thismonth"
                                    "2010" "thismonth"
    # then with [-.] actively searched for
    str_match(string = c("1970-somemonth-01",
                            "1990-anothermonth-01",
                             "2010-thismonth-01"),
               pattern = "(\d{4})([-.])(\w+)")
                                     [,2]
             [,1]
                                             [,3] [,4]
    ## [1,] "1970-somemonth"
                                     "1970" "-"
                                                   "somemonth"
    ## [2,] "1990-anothermonth" "1990" "-"
                                                   "anothermonth"
    ## [3,] "2010-thismonth"
                                     "2010" "-"
                                                   "thismonth"
100
    Multiple possible matches are dealt with using str_match_all.
                                                                      An example
101
    case is uncertainty in date-time in raw data, where the date has been entered as
    1970-somemonth-01 or 1970/anothermonth/01.
103
    The return type is a list, with one element per input string. Each element is a character
104
    matrix, where each row is one possible match, and each column after the first (the full
    match) corresponds to the parts of the search pattern.
    # first with a single date entry
    str_match_all(string = c("1970-somemonth-01 or maybe 1990/anothermonth/01"),
```

```
pattern = "(\d{4})[\-\]([a-z]+)")
   ## [[1]]
            Γ.17
   ##
                                 [,2]
                                        [,3]
108
                                 "1970" "somemonth"
   ## [1,] "1970-somemonth"
   ## [2,] "1990/anothermonth" "1990" "anothermonth"
   # then with multiple date entries
   str match all(string = c("1970-somemonth-01 or maybe 1990/anothermonth/01",
                              "1990-somemonth-01 or maybe 2001/anothermonth/01"),
              pattern = "(\d{4})[\-\]([a-z]+)")
   ## [[1]]
            [,1]
                                 [,2]
                                         [,3]
112
   ## [1,] "1970-somemonth"
                                 "1970" "somemonth"
   ## [2,] "1990/anothermonth" "1990" "anothermonth"
   ## [[2]]
116
            [,1]
   ##
                                 [,2]
                                         [,3]
   ## [1.] "1990-somemonth"
                                 "1990" "somemonth"
   ## [2,] "2001/anothermonth" "2001" "anothermonth"
   1.2.4 Simpler pattern extraction
   The full functionality of str_match_* can be boiled down to the most common use
   case, extracting one or more full matches of the search pattern using str_extract and
   str_extract_all respectively.
   str_extract returns a character vector with the same length as the input string vector,
   while str_extract_all returns a list, with a character vector whose elements are the
   matches.
   # extracting the first full match using str extract
   str_extract(string = c("1970-somemonth-01 or maybe 1990/anothermonth/01",
                            "1990-somemonth-01 or maybe 2001/anothermonth/01"),
              pattern = "(\d{4})[\-\]([a-z]+)")
   ## [1] "1970-somemonth" "1990-somemonth"
   # extracting all full matches using str_extract all
   str_extract_all(string = c("1970-somemonth-01 or maybe 1990/anothermonth/01",
                            "1990-somemonth-01 or maybe 2001/anothermonth/01"),
              pattern = "(\d{4})[\-\]([a-z]+)")
   ## [[1]]
   ## [1] "1970-somemonth"
                                "1990/anothermonth"
130
  ## [[2]]
  ## [1] "1990-somemonth"
                                "2001/anothermonth"
```

#### 1.2.5 Breaking strings apart str split, str sub, In the above date-time example, when reading filenames from a path, or when working sequences separated by a known pattern generally, str\_split 135 can help separate elements of interest. 136 The return type is a list similar to str\_match. # split on either a hyphen or a forward slash str split(string = c("1970-somemonth-01", "1990/anothermonth/01"), pattern = "[\\-\\/]") ## [[1]] ## [1] "1970" "somemonth" "01" 139 ## 140 ## [[2]] 141 ## [1] "1990" "anothermonth" "01" This can be useful in recovering simulation parameters from a filename, but may require 143 some knowledge of regex. # assume a simulation output file filename = "sim\_param1\_0.01\_param2\_0.05\_param3\_0.01.ext" # not quite there str split(filename, pattern = " ") ## [[1]] ## [1] "sim" "param1" "0.01" "param2" "0.05" "0.01.ext" "param3" # not really str\_split(filename, pattern = "sim\_") ## [[1]] 147 ## [1] "" 148 ## [2] "param1\_0.01\_param2\_0.05\_param3\_0.01.ext" # getting there but still needs work str\_split(filename, pattern = "(sim\_)|\_\*param\\d{1}\_|(.ext)") ## [[1]] 150 "0.01" "0.05" "0.01" "" ## [1] "" str\_split\_fixed split the string into as many pieces as specified, and can be especially useful dealing with filepaths.

# split on either a hyphen or a forward slash

str\_split\_fixed(string = "dir\_level\_1/dir\_level\_2/file.ext",

```
pattern = "/",
              n = 2)
   ##
             [,1]
                            [,2]
154
   ## [1,] "dir_level_1" "dir_level_2/file.ext"
   1.2.6 Replacing string elements
   str_replace is intended to replace the search pattern, and can be co-opted into the
   task of recovering simulation parameters or other data from regularly named files.
   str_replace_all works the same way but replaces all matches of the search pattern.
    # replace all unwanted characters from this hypothetical filename with spaces
   filename = "sim_param1_0.01_param2_0.05_param3_0.01.ext"
    str_replace_all(filename,
                 pattern = "(sim_)|_*param\\d{1}_|(.ext)",
                 replacement = " ")
   ## [1] " 0.01 0.05 0.01 "
   str_remove is a wrapper around str_replace where the replacement is set to "". This
   is not covered here.
   Having replaced unwanted characters in the filename with spaces, str trim offers a
   way to remove leading and trailing whitespaces.
    # trim whitespaces from this filename after replacing unwanted text
   filename = "sim_param1_0.01_param2_0.05_param3_0.01.ext"
   filename_with_spaces = str_replace_all(filename,
                                               pattern = "(sim )| *param\\d{1} |(.ext)",
                                               replacement = " ")
   filename_without_spaces = str_trim(filename_with_spaces)
   filename_without_spaces
  ## [1] "0.01 0.05 0.01"
    # the result can be split on whitespaces to return useful data
    str_split(filename_without_spaces, " ")
   ## [[1]]
   ## [1] "0.01" "0.05" "0.01"
   1.2.7 Subsetting within strings
   When strings are highly regular, useful data can be extracted from a string using str_sub.
   In the date-time example, the year is always represented by the first four characters.
    # get the year as characters 1 - 4
   str sub(string = c("1970-somemonth-01",
                           "1990-anothermonth-01",
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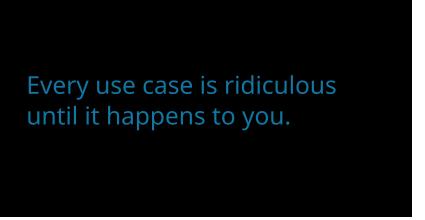
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"2010-thismonth-01"),
         start = 1, end = 4)
## [1] "1970" "1990" "2010"
Similarly, it's possible to extract the last few characters using negative indices.
# get the day as characters -2 to -1
str_sub(string = c("1970-somemonth-01",
                        "1990-anothermonth-21",
                        "2010-thismonth-31"),
         start = -2, end = -1)
## [1] "01" "21" "31"
Finally, it's also possible to replace characters within a string based on the position. This
requires using the assignment operator <-.
# replace all days in these dates to 01
date_times = c("1970-somemonth-25",
                        "1990-anothermonth-21",
                        "2010-thismonth-31")
# a strictly necessary use of the assignment operator
str_sub(date_times,
         start = -2, end = -1) <- "01"
date_times
## [1] "1970-somemonth-01"
                                  "1990-anothermonth-01" "2010-thismonth-01"
1.2.8 Padding and truncating strings
Strings included in filenames or plots are often of unequal lengths, especially when they
represent numbers. str_pad can pad strings with suitable characters to maintain equal
length filenames, with which it is easier to work.
# pad so all values have three digits
str_pad(string = c("1", "10", "100"),
         width = 3,
         side = "left",
         pad = "0")
## [1] "001" "010" "100"
Strings can also be truncated if they are too long.
str_trunc(string = c("bananas are great and wonderful
                        and more stuff about bananas and
                        it really goes on about bananas"),
```

```
width = 27,
            side = "right", ellipsis = "etc. etc.")
 ## [1] "bananas are great etc. etc."
 1.2.9 Stringr aspects not covered here
Some stringr functions are not covered here. These include:
- str wrap (of dubious use),
-str_interp, str_glue* (better to use glue; see below),
- str sort, str order (used in sorting a character vector),
-str to case* (case conversion), and
- str_view* (a graphical view of search pattern matches).
 stringi, of which stringr is a wrapper, offers a lot more flexibility and control.
       String interpolation with glue
The idea behind string interpolation is to procedurally generate new complex strings
 from pre-existing data.
glue is as simple as the example shown.
 # print that each car name is a car model
 cars = rownames(head(mtcars))
 glue('The {cars} is a car model')
 ## The Mazda RX4 is a car model
## The Mazda RX4 Wag is a car model
 ## The Datsun 710 is a car model
 ## The Hornet 4 Drive is a car model
 ## The Hornet Sportabout is a car model
 ## The Valiant is a car model
 This creates and prints a vector of car names stating each is a car model.
The related glue_data is even more useful in printing from a dataframe. In this example,
it can quickly generate command line arguments or filenames.
 # use dataframes for now
 parameter_combinations = data.frame(param1 = letters[1:5],
                                         param2 = 1:5)
 # for command line arguments or to start multiple job scripts on the cluster
 glue_data(parameter_combinations,
            'simulation-name {param1} {param2}')
## simulation-name a 1
 ## simulation-name b 2
## simulation-name c 3
```

```
## simulation-name d 4
   ## simulation-name e 5
   # for filenames
   glue_data(parameter_combinations,
               'sim_data_param1_{param1}_param2_{param2}.ext')
   ## sim_data_param1_a_param2_1.ext
   ## sim_data_param1_b_param2_2.ext
211
   ## sim_data_param1_c_param2_3.ext
212
   ## sim_data_param1_d_param2_4.ext
213
   ## sim_data_param1_e_param2_5.ext
214
   Finally, the convenient glue_sql and glue_data_sql are used to safely write SQL
215
   queries where variables from data are appropriately quoted. This is not covered here,
216
   but it is good to know it exists.
217
   glue has some more functions — glue_safe, glue_collapse, and glue_col, but
   these are infrequently used. Their functionality can be found on the glue github page.
```

## . Chapter 2

# **Working with lists and iteration**



```
# load the tidyverse
library(tidyverse)
```

## 2.1 Basic iteration with map

232 Iteration in base R is commonly done with for and while loops. There is no readymade 233 alternative to while loops in the tidyverse. However, the functionality of for loops is 234 spread over the map family of functions.

purrr functions are *functionals*, i.e., functions that take another function as an argument.
 The closest equivalent in R is the \*apply family of functions: apply, lapply, vapply
 and so on.

A good reason to use purrr functions instead of base R functions is their consistent and clear naming, which always indicates how they should be used. This is explained in the examples below.

These reasons, as well as how map is different from for and lapply are best explained in the Advanced R book.

#### 3 2.1.1 map basic use

map works on any list-like object, which includes vectors, and always returns a list. map
takes two arguments, the object on which to operate, and the function to apply to each

```
# get the square root of each integer 1 - 10
   some numbers = 1:10
   map(some_numbers, sqrt)
   ## [[1]]
   ## [1] 1
   ## [[2]]
   ## [1] 1.414214
251
   ##
   ## [[3]]
253
   ## [1] 1.732051
   ##
255
   ## [[4]]
   ## [1] 2
257
   ## [[5]]
259
   ## [1] 2.236068
261
   ## [[6]]
   ## [1] 2.44949
263
   ##
   ## [[7]]
   ## [1] 2.645751
   ##
```

```
## [[8]]
   ## [1] 2.828427
269
   ## [[9]]
271
   ## [1] 3
273
   ## [[10]]
   ## [1] 3.162278
275
   2.1.2 map variants returning vectors
   Though map always returns a list, it has variants named map_* where the suffix indicates
   the return type. map_chr, map_dbl, map_int, and map_lgl return character, double
278
   (numeric), integer, and logical vectors.
   # use map_dbl to get a vector of square roots
   some numbers = 1:10
   map_dbl(some_numbers, sqrt)
   ## [1] 1.000000 1.414214 1.732051 2.000000 2.236068 2.449490 2.645751 2.828427
   ## [9] 3.000000 3.162278
281
   # map_chr will convert the output to a character
   map_chr(some_numbers, sqrt)
   ## [1] "1.000000" "1.414214" "1.732051" "2.000000" "2.236068" "2.449490"
       [7] "2.645751" "2.828427" "3.000000" "3.162278"
   # map_int will NOT round the output to an integer
   # map_lql returns TRUE/FALSE values
   some_numbers = c(NA, 1:3, NA, NaN, Inf, -Inf)
   map_lgl(some_numbers, is.na)
   ## [1] TRUE FALSE FALSE TRUE TRUE FALSE FALSE
   Integrating map and tidyr::nest
   The example show how each map variant can be used. This integrates tidyr::nest
286
   with map, and the two are especially complementary.
   # nest mtcars into a list of dataframes based on number of cylinders
   some data = as tibble(mtcars, rownames = "car name") %>%
     group_by(cyl) %>%
     nest()
   # get the number of rows per dataframe
   # the mean mileage
   # and the first car
```

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some_data = some_data %>%
     mutate(n_rows = map_int(data, nrow),
            mean_mpg = map_dbl(data, ~mean(.$mpg)),
             first_car = map_chr(data, ~first(.$car_name)))
   some_data
   ## # A tibble: 3 x 5
   ## # Groups: cyl [3]
          cyl data
                                  n_rows mean_mpg first_car
290
   ##
        <dbl> <list>
                                    <int>
                                             <dbl> <chr>
   ## 1
            6 <tibble [7 x 11]>
                                      7
                                              19.7 Mazda RX4
292
   ## 2
            4 <tibble [11 x 11]>
                                       11
                                              26.7 Datsun 710
   ## 3
            8 <tibble [14 x 11]>
                                       14
                                              15.1 Hornet Sportabout
   map accepts multiple functions that are applied in sequence to the input list-like object,
   but this is confusing to the reader and ill advised.
   2.1.3 map variants returning dataframes
   map_df returns data frames, and by default binds dataframes by rows, while map_dfr
   does this explicitly, and map_dfc does returns a dataframe bound by column.
   # split mtcars into 3 dataframes, one per cylinder number
   some_list = split(mtcars, mtcars$cyl)
   # get the first two rows of each dataframe
   map_df(some_list, head, n = 2)
         mpg cyl disp hp drat
                                     wt qsec vs am gear carb
   ## 1 22.8
              4 108.0 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1
                                                  1
   ## 2 24.4
              4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00
                                              1
                                                  0
   ## 3 21.0 6 160.0 110 3.90 2.620 16.46 0 1
   ## 4 21.0
                6 160.0 110 3.90 2.875 17.02
                                                        4
                                                             4
                                              0 1
   ## 5 18.7
                8 360.0 175 3.15 3.440 17.02 0 0
                                                        3
                                                             2
                8 360.0 245 3.21 3.570 15.84 0 0
   ## 6 14.3
   map accepts arguments to the function being mapped, such as in the example above,
   where head() accepts the argument n = 2.
   map_dfr behaves the same as map_df.
   # the same as above but with a pipe
   some_list %>%
     map_dfr(head, n = 2)
         mpg cyl disp hp drat
                                     wt qsec vs am gear carb
   ## 1 22.8 4 108.0 93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1 1
                                                             1
   ## 2 24.4
                4 146.7 62 3.69 3.190 20.00 1 0
                                                             2
313 ## 3 21.0 6 160.0 110 3.90 2.620 16.46 0 1
```

```
## 4 21.0
                6 160.0 110 3.90 2.875 17.02
                                                0
   ## 5 18.7
                8 360.0 175 3.15 3.440 17.02
                                                0
                                                         3
                                                              2
   ## 6 14.3
                8 360.0 245 3.21 3.570 15.84
                                                              4
   map_dfc binds the resulting 3 data frames of two rows each by column, and automatically
317
   repairs the column names, adding a suffix to each duplicate.
   some_list %>%
     map_dfc(head, n = 2)
         mpg cyl disp hp drat
                                  wt qsec vs am gear carb mpg1 cyl1 disp1 hp1 drat1
319
               4 108.0 93 3.85 2.32 18.61 1 1
                                                                21
                                                                       6
                                                                           160 110
   ## 1 22.8
                                                       4
                                                            1
                4 146.7 62 3.69 3.19 20.00 1 0
                                                       4
                                                            2
                                                                21
                                                                       6
                                                                           160 110
321
           wt1 qsec1 vs1 am1 gear1 carb1 mpg2 cyl2 disp2 hp2 drat2 wt2 qsec2 vs2 am2
   ## 1 2.620 16.46
                       0
                            1
                                  4
                                         4 18.7
                                                   8
                                                       360 175 3.15 3.44 17.02
323
   ## 2 2.875 17.02
                            1
                                  4
                                         4 14.3
                                                   8
                                                       360 245 3.21 3.57 15.84
                       0
         gear2 carb2
325
   ## 1
             3
                   2
   ## 2
             3
                   4
   2.1.4 Selective mapping
```

## 330 2.2 More map variants

• map\_at and map\_if

```
    2.2.1 map2
    imap here
    2.2.2 pmap
    2.2.3 walk
    walk2 and pwalk
```

#### **2.3** Modification in place

```
337 modify
```

## 2.4 Working with lists

- 339 2.4.1 Filtering lists
- 340 **2.4.2 Summarising lists**
- 2.4.3 Reduction and accumulation
- **2.4.4** Miscellaneous operation