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Loading and Cleaning Data in R

I know the file exists, why doesn't R?



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Can be helpful to understand whether functions are tidyverse or R base functions

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Dealing with data

- 1. Loading data
- Get your data into R
- 2. Looking for problems
- Typos
- Incorrectly loaded data
- 3. Fixing problems
- Corrections
- Renaming

- 4. Setting formats
 - Dates
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 - Factors
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1. Loading Data

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SAS	.sas7bdat	haven	read_sas()
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Convenient but...

- Can be unreliable
- · Can take longer

For files that don't change, better to save as a *.csv (Comma-separated-variables file)

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We'll focus on:

- readxl package read_excel()
- readr package read_csv(), read_tsv()

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Using Projects in RStudio is a great idea, try to avoid setwd()

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A note on file paths (file locations)

/<mark>home</mark>

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/home/steffi/

- folders separated by /
- home and steffi are folders
- **steffi** is a folder inside of **home**

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/home/steffi/Documents/R Projects/mydata.csv

- folders separated by /
- home, steffi, Documents, R Projects are folders
- steffi is inside of home, Documents is inside of steffi, etc.
- mydata.csv is a data file inside R Projects folder

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- prospect_analysis.R
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```

• Use **relative** paths to refer to this folder ("./")

d <- read_csv("./data/prospect_data_2017-01-01.csv")</pre>

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Let's Load Some Data!

Your turn: Load some data

- Save/move the rivers_correct.xlsx file to a "Data" folder in your project (download <u>here</u>)
- 2. Load the package

library(readxl)

3. Read in the Excel file and assign to object **rivers**

Use the **'tab'** key in RStudio when typing in the file name for auto-complete

rivers <- read_excel("./data/rivers_correct.xlsx")

4. Use head() and tail() functions to look at the data

head(rivers) tail(rivers)

5. Click on the data object in your "Environment" pane to look at the whole data set

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Your turn: Load some data River Site rivers <- read_excel("./data/rivers_correct.xlsx") 1 Grasse 2 Grasse Mid stream 0.425 head(rivers) 0.19444444444444 3 Grase Down stream Al 4 Oswegatchie Up stream ## # A tibble: 6 x 5 5 Oswegatchie Mid stream 0.1611111111111111 cloudy `River Name` Site Ele Amo Wea 6 Oswegatchie Down stream Al 0.033333333333333 sunny ## <chr> 7 Raquette Up stream sunny <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> 8 Raquette Mid stream 0.03888888888888 cloudy 0.60555555555556 wet ## 1 Grasse Up stream Al 9 Raquette Down stream Al sunny ## 2 Grasse Mid stream Al 0.425 snowy 10 St. Regis Up stream sunny ## 3 Grase Down stream Al 0.1944444444444 wet 11 St. Regis Mid stream ## 4 Oswegatchie Up stream Al snowy 0.286111111111111 12 St. Regis Down stream Al cloudy 0.16111111111111 sunny ## 5 Oswegatchie Mid stream Al 13 Grasse Up stream 0.505283381364073 14 Grasse Mid stream 0.564841498559078 15 Grasse Down stream Ba 0.523535062439962 cloudy tail(rivers) 16 Oswegatchie Up stream 0.357348703170029 17 Oswegatchie Mid stream 0.560038424591739 ## # A tibble: 6 x 5 18 Oswegatchie Down stream Ba 19 Raquette Ele Amo Up stream ## `River Name` Site Wea cloudy 20 Raquette Mid stream 0.22478386167147 ## <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr>> ## 1 Raquette Up stream Zr 0.3333333333333 sunny 21 Raquette Dow stream 0.364073006724304 cloudy 22 St. Regis Up stream 0.379442843419789 ## 2 Raquette Mid stream Zr 0.11111111111111 snowy 0.296829971181556 ## 3 Raquette Down stream Zr 24 St. Regis Down stream Ba 0.577329490874159 1 Gng/ky74 ## 4 St. Regis Up stream Zr 0.8888888888889 cloudy 0.107142857142857

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But not always obvious...

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- master_moch.txt (download here)
- In lower right-hand pane, click on Files
 - o Click on **Data** folder
 - Click on master_moch.txt
 - o Click "View File"

```
ID region hab freq freq.sd p.notes
MCB02 kam 0.5266879074 3.9806600009 3.9806600009 0.4592592593
MCB03 kam -0.9707703735 4.1090031783 4.1090031783 0.5
MCB04 kam -0.9707703735 4.2463067674 4.2463067674 0.5151515152
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Hmm, not comma-separated, maybe tab-separated?

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How do I know what to use?

Peak:

- Pick a read function with your best guess (read_csv() is a good start)
- Use n_max to read only first few rows

```
read_csv("./data/master_moch.txt", n_max = 3)

## # A tibble: 3 x 1

## `ID\tregion\thab\tfreq\tfreq.sd\tp.notes`

## cchr>

## 1 "MCB02\tkam\to.5266879074\t3.9806600009\t3.9806600009\t0.4592592593"

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```

\t means tab, so this is tab-separated data

How do I know what to use?

Peak:

• Try again with read_tsv()

```
read_tsv("./data/master_moch.txt", n_max = 3) # note change in function!

## # A tibble: 3 x 6

## ID region hab freq freq.sd p.notes

## <chr> dbl> <chl> <chr> = 0.527 3.98 3.98 0.459

## 2 MCB03 kam -0.971 4.11 4.11 0.5

## 3 MCB04 kam -0.971 4.25 4.25 0.515
```

Excellent!

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Specifics of loading functions

1. col_names

• Geolocator data (download here)

```
my_data <- read_csv("./data/geolocators.csv")</pre>
## # A tibble: 20 x 2
<dbl>
## 1 02/05/11 22:31:59
## 2 02/05/11 22:33:59
                         38
## 3 02/05/11 22:35:59
## 4 02/05/11 22:37:59
## 5 02/05/11 22:39:59
## 6 02/05/11 22:41:59
## 7 02/05/11 22:43:59
                         40
## 8 02/05/11 22:45:59
                         46
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- read_csv, read_tsv, etc. assume that the first row contains the column names
- · This file doesn't have headers

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1. col_names

Declare no headings

```
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                   col_names = FALSE)
my_data
## # A tibble: 21 x 2
## X1 X2
## <chr> <dbl>
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Name headings

```
col_names = c("date", "light"))
## # A tibble: 21 x 2
## date Light
## <chr> <dbl>
## 1 02/05/11 22:29:59 64
## 2 02/05/11 22:31:59
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```

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2. **skip** info rows before data

• Grain size data (download here)

```
my_data <- read_tsv("./data/grain_size.txt")</pre>
## Warning: Missing column names filled in: 'X2' [2], 'X3' [3], 'X4' [4], 'X5' [5], 'X6' [6], 'X7' [7]
my_data
## # A tibble: 36 x 7
##
      `DATA DOWNLOAD: 2015-09-23` X2
                                                              Х6
1 SYSTEM 001
## 2 LOGGER X
                               <NA> <NA>
                                                <NA>
                                                        <NA> <NA> <NA>
   3 lab_num
                                CSP
                                     sample_num depth_lb csa msa
## 4 3177
                            CSP01 CSP01-P-1-1 4 13.04 17.37 8.19
                                                       10.74 16.9 7.92
                                CSP01 CSP01-P-1-2 12
## 5 3178
                               CSP01 CSP01-P-1-3 35 12.11 17.75 6.99 CSP01 CSP01-P-1-4 53 17.61 18.16 6.29
## 6 3179
## 7 3180
                                CSP01 CSP01-P-1-5 83 21.05 18.38 6.26 CSP01 CSP01-P-1-6 105 19.02 18.43 6.28
## 8 3181
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Ah ha! Metadata was stored at the top of the file

2. **skip** info rows before data

- Grain size data (download here)
- Add skip = 3 to skip the first three rows

Your turn: Load this data set

Try loading the telemetry data set: Sta A Data 2006-11-07.dmp (download it here)

- 1. Look at the file (click on the file in your File window in RStudio)
- 2. Decide function based on the delimiter (comma, space, or tab?)
- 3. Any other options need to be specified?

Extra Challenge

Load some of your own tricky data

It should look like this:

Your turn: Load this data set

Try loading the data set: **Sta A Data 2006-11-07.dmp** (download it <u>here</u>)

2. Looking for problems

Look at the data

- Make sure columns as expected (correctly assigned file format)
- Make sure no extra lines above the data (should we have used a skip?)
- Make sure column names look appropriate

Look at the data

- Did the whole data set load?
- Are there extra blank lines at the end of the data?

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 8
## species island bill_length_mm bill_depth_mm flipper_length_mm body_mass_g sex year
## <fct> <fct> <fct> <dbl> <dbl> <int> <int> <fct> <int> <int| <int> <int| <int|
```

skim()

- Are the columns appropriate?
- Are numeric values appropriate? Should there be NAs?
- Are there any typos in the factors?
- Are the columns in the appropriate format (i.e., numeric, character, factor, date)
- Are there as many observations as you expected?

```
library(skimr)
 skim(penguins)
## -- Data Summary --
##
                          Values
## Name
                           penguins
## Number of rows
                          344
## Number of columns
##___
## Column type frequency:
## factor
## numeric
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## Group variables None
```

skim()

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count()

· Check for typos in categorical columns

Example of problematic data

- Column names are not all clean (River Name or obvious (what is Ele?)
- Amo should be numeric but isn't
- At least one typo in River (Grase should be Grasse)

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Example of problematic data

· Not much additional info here

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Example of problematic data

```
count(rivers, `River Name`)
                                               count(rivers, Site)
## # A tibble: 8 x 2
                                              ## # A tibble: 5 x 2
                                              ## Site n
## <chr> <int>
## `River Name` n
## 1 Dow stream 1
                                              ## 2 Down stream
## 3 grasse
                                              ## 3 Mid stream 100
                                             ## 4 Up stream 99
## 5 Upstream 1
                 72
## 4 Grasse
## 5 Oswegatchie 75
## 6 raquette
## 7 Raquette
## 8 St. Regis
```

Typos in both categorical columns

3. Fixing problems

Cleaning column names

clean_names()

Cleaning column names

rename() columns

```
rivers <- rename(rivers, element = ele, amount = amo)</pre>
## # A tibble: 300 x 5
            ## river_name site
## 1 Grasse Up stream Al 0.60555555555556 wet
## 2 Grasse
            Mid stream Al
                           0.425 snowy
            Down stream Al 0.1944444444444 wet
## 3 Grase
## 7 Raquette Up stream Al 0.29166666666667 cloudy
## 8 Raquette Mid stream Al 0.0388888888888888 cloudy
## 9 Raquette Down stream Al 0 wet
## 10 St. Regis Up stream Al 0.6805555555556 snowy
## # ... with 290 more rows
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```

Subsetting columns

select() columns you do want

```
rivers <- select(rivers, river_name, site, element, amount)</pre>
```

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Subsetting columns

select() columns you do want

```
rivers <- select(rivers, river_name, site, element, amount)
```

OR, unselect() columns you don't want

Cleaning columns

Put it all together

```
rivers <- read_csv("./data/rivers_correct.csv")</pre>
rivers <- clean_names(rivers)</pre>
rivers <- rename(rivers, element = ele, amount = amo)</pre>
rivers <- select(rivers, -wea)</pre>
## # A tibble: 300 x 4
   ##
##
## 1 Grasse Up stream Al 0.60555555555555
## 4 Oswegatchie Up stream Al 1
## 7 Raquette Up stream Al
                          0.291666666666667
           Up stream Al
## 8 Raquette
                          0.038888888888889
## 9 Raquette Down stream Al
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```

Cleaning columns

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```

Note repeated data frame rivers

```
##
   river_name site
##
  <chr>
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```

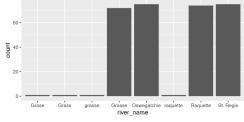
0.038888888888888

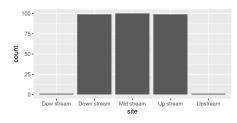
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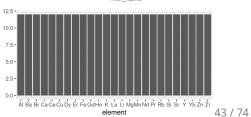
Fixing typos

Look for typos (Visually)

```
ggplot(data = rivers, aes(x = river_name)) + geom_bar()
ggplot(data = rivers, aes(x = site)) + geom_bar()
ggplot(data = rivers, aes(x = element)) + geom_bar()
```







Fixing typos

Look for typos with count()

filter() the data to highlight them

Fixing typos

Replace typos

Combine the if_else() / case_when() functions with mutate() function

mutate() creates or changes columns in a data frame:

```
mutate(dataframe, column = new_values)
```

if_else() tests for a condition, and returns one value if FALSE and another if TRUE

```
if_else(condition, value_if_true, value_if_false)
```

case_when() tests for multiple conditions, and returns different values depending

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Fixing typos

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```
rivers <- mutate(rivers, river_name = if_else(river_name == "Grase", "Grasse", river_name))</pre>
```

Check that it's gone:

```
filter(rivers, river_name == "Grase")
## # A tibble: 0 x 4
## # ... with 4 variables: river_name <chr>, site <chr>, element <chr>, amount <chr>
```

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Iterative process

- Make some corrections
- Check the data
- Make some more corrections (either add to or modify existing code)

Your Turn: Fix another one of the "Grasse" typos

- 1. Check the data with count()
- 2. Use mutate() and replace() to fix the typo

Extra Challenge Examine and fix problems in your own data

```
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rivers <- clean_names(rivers)
rivers <- rename(rivers, element = ele, amount = amo)
rivers <- select(rivers, -wea)
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rivers <- mutate(???, ??? = ???)
```

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Fixing typos

To be more efficient, fix all typos at once

== compares one item to one other

%in% compares one item to many different ones

Tangent: Why use tidyverse packages?

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Instead of:

We have:

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  select(-wea) %>%
  mutate(river_name = if_else(river_name == "Grase", "Grasse", river_name),
        site = if_else(site == "Dow stream", "Down stream", site))
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```

Play around

Take a moment to play with this code in your console

Convert this:

To this:

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Add to this code

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```

Expect river_name: Grasse, Oswegatchie, Raquette, St.Regis
Expect site: Down stream, Up stream

Comparing single items

Comparing multiple items

```
A == "hello"
A %in% "hello"
```

```
A %in% c("hello", "bye"))
# NOT A == c("hello", "bye")
```

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Let's combine these with case_when()...

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4. Fixing formats

Typos that affect classes (formats) Look for problems rivers ## # A tibble: 300 x 4 ## river_name site element amount ## cchr> cchr> cchr> cchr> cchr> ## 1 Grasse Up stream Al 0.425 ## 2 Grasse Mid stream Al 0.425 ## 4 Oswegatchie Up stream Al 1.9444444444444 ## 4 Oswegatchie Up stream Al 0.16111111111111 ## 5 Oswegatchie Wid stream Al 0.33333333333333 ## 7 Raquette Up stream Al 0.29166666666667 ## 8 Raquette Up stream Al 0.0338888888889 ## 9 Raquette Down stream Al 0.6805555555556 ## 10 St. Regis Up stream Al 0.68055555555566 ## 10 St. Regis Up stream Al 0.68055555555566

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For example...

```
a <- c(1, 2, 10)
as.character(a)

## [1] "1" "2" "10"

as.numeric(a)

## [1] 1 2 10

b <- c("hello", "bye", 1)
as.character(b)

## [1] "hello" "bye" "1"

as.numeric(b)

## Warning: NAs introduced by coercion

## [1] NA NA 1
```

We'll deal with dates and times later...

Fixing numerical typos

Find the problem (when we don't know what they are)

• Make a new column and convert amount to numbers

```
rivers <- mutate(rivers, amount2 = as.numeric(amount))

## Warning: Problem with `mutate()` input `amount2`.

## i NAs introduced by coercion

## i Input `amount2` is `as.numeric(amount)`.

## Warning in mask$eval_all_mutate(dots[[i]]): NAs introduced by coercion</pre>
```

This warning tells us that some values didn't convert to numbers

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Fixing numerical typos

Find the problem (when we don't know what it is)

- Make a new column and convert amount to numbers
- Find out where the conversion didn't work

- is.na() is TRUE when the value is missing (NA)
- ! turns a TRUE into a FALSE (and vice versa)
- This asks, which values are not missing to begin with (!is.na(amount)) but are missing after the conversion (is.na(amount2))

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Correct the class

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```

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Put it together...

And you have a clean, corrected data frame ready to use

- You have not changed the original data
- You have a record of all corrections
- You can alter these corrections at any time
- You have formatted your data for use in R

Dates and Times

(Or why does R hate me?)

Dates and Times

• Date/times aren't always recognized as date/times

Here **time** column is considered **chr** (character/text)



lubridate package

- Part of tidyverse, but needs to be loaded
- Great for converting date/time formats

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lubridate package

date/time	function	class
2018-01-01 13:09:11	ymd_hms()	dttm (POSIXct/POSIXt)
12/20/2019 10:00 PM	mdy_hm()	dttm (POSIXct/POSIXt)
31/01/2000 10 AM	dmy_h()	dttm (POSIXct/POSIXt)
31-01/2000	dmy()	Date

lubridate is smart enough to detect AMs and PMs

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5. Saving data

Saving data

Keep yourself organized

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Save your data to file:

write_csv(rivers, "./Datasets/rivers_cleaned.csv")

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Dealing with data

- 1. Loading data
- Get your data into R
- 2. Looking for problems
- Typos
- Incorrectly loaded data
- 3. Fixing problems
- Corrections
- Renaming

- 4. Setting formats
- Dates
- Numbers
- Factors
- 5. Saving your data

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Assuming your data is in one format when it's not

- Print your data to the console and use **skim()** to explore the format of your data
- Use skim(), count(), filter(), select(), ggplot() to explore the content of your data

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Wrapping up: Common mistakes

Confusing pipes with function arguments

• Pipes (%>%) pass the *output* from one function as *input* to the next function:

• Arguments may be on different lines, but all part of one function

Wrapping up: Further reading

- R for Data Science
 - Chapter 5: Transforming data
 - Chapter 8: RStudio Projects
 - Chapter 14: Strings
 - Chapter 15: Factors
 - Chapter 18: Pipes