Workshop: Dealing with Data in R

# **Loading & Cleaning Data in R**

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

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	⊋   ¬ Filter						
_	River	Site ‡	Ele ‡	Amo	Wea ‡		
1	Grasse	Up stream	Al	0.6055555555556	sunny		
2	Grasse	Mid stream	Al	0.425	snowy		
3	Grase	Down stream	Al	0.19444444444444	wet		
4	Oswegatchie	Up stream	Al	1	cloudy		
5	Oswegatchie	Mid stream	Al	0.161111111111111	cloudy		
6	Oswegatchie	Down stream	Al	0.0333333333333333	sunny		
7	Raquette	Up stream	Al	0.291666666666667	sunny		
8	Raquette	Mid stream	Al	0.038888888888889	cloudy		
9	Raquette	Down stream	Al	0	sunny		
10	St. Regis	Up stream	Al	0.6805555555556	sunny		
11	St. Regis	Mid stream	Al	0.45	snowy		
12	St. Regis	Down stream	Al	0.286111111111111	cloudy		
13	Grasse	Up stream	Ва	0.505283381364073	wet		
14	Grasse	Mid stream	Ва	0.564841498559078	snowy		
15	Grasse	Down stream	Ва	0.523535062439962	cloudy		
16	Oswegatchie	Up stream	Ва	0.357348703170029	snowy		
17	Oswegatchie	Mid stream	Ва	0.560038424591739	sunny		
18	Oswegatchie	Down stream	Ва	1	wet		
19	Raquette	Up stream	Ва	0	cloudy		
20	Raquette	Mid stream	Ва	0.22478386167147	sunny		
21	Raquette	Dow stream	Ва	0.364073006724304	cloudy		
22	St. Regis	Up stream	Ва	0.379442843419789	wet		
23	St. Regis	Mid stream	Ва	0.296829971181556	snowy		
24	St. Regis	Down stream	Ва	0.577329490874159 Compiled: 2024	snowy 02-07		
25	Grasse	Up stream	Br	0.107142857142857	snowy		

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# First things first

- Save previous script
- Open New File

  (make sure you're in the RStudio Project)
- Write library(tidyverse) at the top
- Save this new script

  (consider names like cleaning.R or 3\_loading\_and\_cleaning.R)

# **Side Note**

R base vs. tidyverse

# R base vs. tidyverse

#### R base

- Basic R
- Packages are installed and loaded by default
- Base pipe |> \*



### tidyverse

- Collection of 'new' packages developed by a team closely affiliated with RStudio
  - e.g., ggplot2, dplyr, tidyr, readr
  - Packages designed to work well together
- Use a slightly different syntax
- tidyverse pipe %>% or base pipe |> \*



Useful to know if functions are tidyverse or R base

# **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

# **Loading Data**

# Data types: What kind of data do you have?

### Specific program files

Туре	Extension	R Package	R function
Excel	.xls, .xlsx	readxl*	read_excel()
Open Document	.ods	readODS	read_ods()
SPSS	.sav, .zsav, .por	haven	read_spss()
SAS	.sas7bdat	haven	read_sas()
Stata	.dta	haven	read_dta()
Database Files	.dbf	foreign	read.dbf()



#### Convenient but...

- Can be unreliable
- Can take longer

For files that don't change, better to save as a \* . csv

# Data types: What kind of data do you have?

### **General text files**

Туре	R base	readr package *
Comma separated	read.csv()	<pre>read_csv(), read_csv2()</pre>
Tab separated	read.delim()	read_tsv()
Space separated	read.table()	read_table()
Fixed-width	read.fwf()	read_fwf()



- readr package especially useful for big data sets (fast!)
- Error/warnings from readr are a bit more helpful

### We'll focus on

#### Common error

```
1 my_data <- read_csv("weather.csv")
Error: 'weather.csv' does not exist in current working directory ('/home/steffi/Projects/Workshops/workshop-dealing-with-data').</pre>
```

With no folder (just file name) R expects file to be in Working directory

## Working directory is:

- Where your RStudio project is
- Your home directory (My Documents, etc.) [If not using RStudio Projects]
- Where you've set it (using setwd() or RStudio's Session > Set Working Directory)

## A note on file paths (file locations)

1 /home

- folders separated by /
- home is a folder

## A note on file paths (file locations)

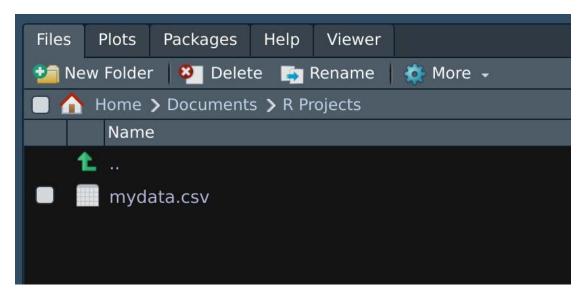
```
1 /home/steffi/
```

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

### A note on file paths (file locations)

```
1 /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



**RStudio Files Pane** 

### **Absolute Paths**

OS	Path
LINUX	/home/steffi/Documents/R Projects/mydata.csv
WINDOWS	C:/Users/steffi/My Documents/R Projects/mydata.csv
MAC	/users/steffi/Documents/R Projects/mydata.csv

#### **Relative Paths**

Path	Where to look
mydata.csv	Here (current directory)
/mydata.csv	Go up one directory (/)
data/mydata.csv	Stay here, go into "data" folder (data/)
/data/mydata.csv	Go up one directory (/), then into "data" folder (data/)

Full location, folders and filename

Only *relative* info
Use relative symbols (e.g.,
. . /)

# Keep yourself organized

## For simple projects

- Create an 'RStudio Project' for each Project (Chapter, Thesis, etc.)
- Create a specific "data" folder within each project (one per project)

```
- Prospect Lake Quality # Project Folder
- prospect_analysis.R
- data # Data Folder
- prospect_data_2017-01-01.csv
- prospect_data_2017-02-01.csv
```

• Use **relative** paths to refer to this folder

```
1 d <- read_csv("data/prospect_data_2017-01-01.csv")
```

## **Let's Load Some Data!**

## Your turn: Load some data

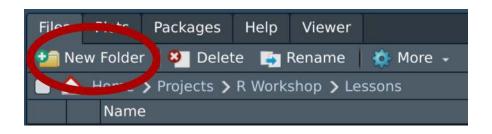
- 1. Create a 'data' folder in your RStudio project
- 2. Put rivers\_correct.xlsx file in the "data" folder
- 3. Load the package

```
1 library(readxl)
```

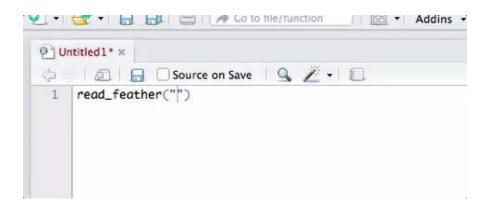
4. Read in the Excel file and assign to object rivers

```
1 rivers <- read_excel("data/rivers_correct.xlsx")</pre>
```

- 5. Use head() and tail() functions to look at the data e.g., head(rivers) and tail(rivers)
- 6. Click on the rivers object in your "Environment" pane to look at the whole data set



Click on "New Folder"



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

## Your turn: Load some data

```
1 library(readxl)
2 rivers <- read_excel("data/rivers_correct.xlsx")</pre>
```

```
1 head(rivers)
# A tibble: 6 \times 7
                   Ele Amo `Temperature C°` Year Wea
  `River Name` Site
 <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr>
                                         <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
1 Grasse Up stream Al
                          0.606
                                       10.9 2019 cloudy
                                     8.68 2020 cloudy
2 Grasse Mid stream Al
                          0.425
3 Grase Down stream Al
                          0.194
                                         8.75 2021 snowy
4 Oswegatchie Up stream Al
                          1
                                         0.791 2022 sunny
5 Oswegatchie Mid stream Al
                           0.161
                                         9.32 2023 cloudy
6 Oswegatchie Down stream Al
                                               2019 cloudy
                           0.0333
                                         10.6
```

#### 1 tail(rivers)

# A tibble: 6	× 7					
`River Name`	Site	Ele	Amo	`Temperature C°`	Year	Wea
<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>
1 Raquette	Up stream	Zr	0.333	14.0	2023	wet
2 Raquette	Mid stream	Zr	0.111	7.61	2019	wet
3 Raquette	Down stream	Zr	NA	7.36	2020	wet
4 St. Regis	Up stream	Zr	0.889	7.94	2021	sunny
5 St. Regis	Mid stream	Zr	0.778	9.28	2022	snowy
6 St. Regis	Down stream	Zr	0.667	10.1	2023	cloudy

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## How do I know which function to use?

### Look at the file extension:

- rivers\_correct.csv
- .csv → Comma-separated-variables → read\_csv()

But not always obvious...

## How do I know which function to use?

### Look at the file: master\_moch.txt

- Put this file in your **data** folder
- In lower right-hand pane, click on **Files** 
  - Click on data folder
  - Click on master\_moch.txt
  - Click "View File" (if asked)

```
ID region hab freq
                        freq.sd p.notes
                            3.9806600009
MCB02
        kam 0.5266879074
                                             3.9806600009
                                                             0.4592592593
MCB03
        kam - 0.9707703735
                           4.1090031783
                                             4.1090031783
                                                             0.5
        kam - 0.9707703735
                           4.2463067674
                                                             0.5151515152
MCB04
                                             4.2463067674
```

This **does not** read the file into R, but only shows you the contents as text.

## How do I know which function 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

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

# A tibble: 3 × 1
   `ID\tregion\thab\tfreq\tfreq.sd\tp.notes`
   <chr>
1 "MCB02\tkam\t0.5266879074\t3.9806600009\t3.9806600009\t0.4592592593"
2 "MCB03\tkam\t-0.9707703735\t4.1090031783\t4.1090031783\t0.5"
3 "MCB04\tkam\t-0.9707703735\t4.2463067674\t4.2463067674\t0.515151515152"
```

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

## How do I know what to use?

#### Peak:

Try again with read\_tsv()

Excellent!

# **Specifics of loading functions**

## col\_names

• Geolocator data

```
1 my data <- read csv("data/geolocators.csv")</pre>
          2 my data
# A tibble: 20 \times 2
   `02/05/11 22:29:59` `64`
   <chr>
                        <dbl>
 1 02/05/11 22:31:59
                           64
 2 02/05/11 22:33:59
                           38
                           38
 3 02/05/11 22:35:59
 4 02/05/11 22:37:59
                           34
 5 02/05/11 22:39:59
                           30
 6 02/05/11 22:41:59
                           34
 7 02/05/11 22:43:59
                           40
 8 02/05/11 22:45:59
                           46
 9 02/05/11 22:47:59
                           48
10 02/05/11 22:49:59
                           46
# i 10 more rows
```

- read\_csv, read\_tsv, etc. assume that the first row contains the column names
- This file doesn't have headers

Oops?

## col\_names

Geolocator data

### Declare no headings

```
1 my data <- read csv("data/geolocators.csv",</pre>
                                  col names = FALSE)
          3 my_data
# A tibble: 21 \times 2
   X1
                         X2
   <chr>
                      <dbl>
 1 02/05/11 22:29:59
 2 02/05/11 22:31:59
 3 02/05/11 22:33:59
 4 02/05/11 22:35:59
                         38
 5 02/05/11 22:37:59
                         34
 6 02/05/11 22:39:59
                         30
 7 02/05/11 22:41:59
                         34
 8 02/05/11 22:43:59
 9 02/05/11 22:45:59
                         46
10 02/05/11 22:47:59
# i 11 more rows
```

### Name headings

```
1 my data <- read csv("data/geolocators.csv",</pre>
                                  col names = c("date", "light")
          3 my_data
# A tibble: 21 \times 2
   date
                      light
   <chr>
                      <dbl>
 1 02/05/11 22:29:59
 2 02/05/11 22:31:59
 3 02/05/11 22:33:59
 4 02/05/11 22:35:59
                         38
 5 02/05/11 22:37:59
                         34
 6 02/05/11 22:39:59
                         30
 7 02/05/11 22:41:59
                         34
 8 02/05/11 22:43:59
 9 02/05/11 22:45:59
                         46
10 02/05/11 22:47:59
                         48
# i 11 more rows
```

## skip info rows before data

Grain size data

```
1 my data <- read tsv("data/grain size.txt")</pre>
                                          2 my data
 \# A tibble: 36 \times 7
           `DATA DOWNLOAD: 2015-09-23` ...2 ...3 ...4 ...5 ...6 ...7 <chr> <chr > <chr> <chr > <chr 
                                                                                                                               <NA> <NA> <NA> <NA> <NA> <NA>
    1 SYSTEM 001
                                                                                                                                                                             <NA> <NA> <NA> <NA>
     2 LOGGER X
                                                                                                                               <NA> <NA>
     3 lab num
                                                                                                                                                        sample num depth lb csa msa
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               fsa
     4 3177
                                                                                                                               CSP01 CSP01-P-1-1 4
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             13.04 17.37 8.19
                                                                                                                                                                                                                      10.74 16.9 7.92
     5 3178
                                                                                                                               CSP01 CSP01-P-1-2 12
                                                                                                                              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
     8 3181
                                                                                                                               CSP01 CSP01-P-1-6 105 19.02 18.43 6.28
     9 3182
                                                                                                                                                                                                                      11.6 17.14 8.18
10 3183
                                                                                                                               CSP08 CSP08-P-1-1 10
 # i 26 more rows
```

## skip info rows before data

Grain size data

```
1 my_data <- read_tsv("data/grain_size.txt")
2 my_data</pre>
```

#### Look at the file:

- Click on Files tab
- Click on data folder
- Click on grain\_size.txt
- Click "View file" (if asked)

```
DATA DOWNLOAD: 2015-09-23
SYSTEM 001
LOGGER X
lab num CSP sample num depth lb
                                   csa msa fsa
3177
               CSP01-P-1-1 4
                             13.04
                                       17.37
       CSP01
                                               8.19
               CSP01-P-1-2 12 10.74
                                      16.9
                                               7.92
3178
       CSP01
       CSP01
               CSP01-P-1-3 35 12.11
                                     17.75
                                               6.99
3179
3180
       CSP01
               CSP01-P-1-4 53 17.61
                                     18.16
                                               6.29
3181
       CSP01
               CSP01-P-1-5 83 21.05
                                     18.38
                                               6.26
```

#### Ah ha!

Metadata was stored at the top of the file

## skip info rows before data

- Grain size data
- Add skip = 3 to skip the first three rows

```
1 my data <- read tsv("data/grain size.txt", skip = 3)</pre>
         2 my data
# A tibble: 33 \times 7
  lab num CSP
             sample num depth lb
                                 csa
    <dbl> <chr> <chr>
                            <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
    3177 CSP01 CSP01-P-1-1
                                4 13.0 17.4
                                             8.19
                          12 10.7 16.9
    3178 CSP01 CSP01-P-1-2
                                           7.92
    3179 CSP01 CSP01-P-1-3
                             35 12.1 17.8
                                           6.99
                          53 17.6 18.2 6.29
    3180 CSP01 CSP01-P-1-4
                          83 21.0 18.4
    3181 CSP01 CSP01-P-1-5
                                             6.26
                          105 19.0 18.4
    3182 CSP01 CSP01-P-1-6
                                             6.28
                                                                  Much better!
                          10 11.6 17.1 8.18
    3183 CSP08 CSP08-P-1-1
    3184 CSP08 CSP08-P-1-2
                          27 15.4 16.2 6.76
    3185 CSP08 CSP08-P-1-3
                          90 14.9 15.8 7.12
     3186 CSP02 CSP02-P-1-1
                          5 8.75 8.64 3.41
# i 23 more rows
```

## Your turn: Load this data set

Load the telemetry data set: Sta A Data 2006-11-07.dmp

- 1. Look at the file
- 2. Decide which R function to use based on delimiter (comma, space, or tab?)
- 3. Any other options need to be specified?

#### It should look like this:

# A tik	oble: 19 × 7					
Start	tDate Time	Frequency	`Rate/Temp`	Pwr Ant	SD	
<	<dbl> <time></time></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl> <chr></chr></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	
1 3	39022 17:15:36	150.	34.8	175 M0	0	
2 3	39022 17:19:14	148.	19.2	72 M0	0	
3 3	39022 17:19:25	148.	19.7	194 M1	0	
4 3	39022 17:20:04	149.	33.8	104 MO	0	
5 3	39022 17:20:17	149.	33.7	152 M1	0	
6 3	39022 17:20:57	150.	34.2	188 MO	0	
7 3	39022 17:22:50	148.	9.8	188 MO	0	
# <b>i</b> 12	more rows					Too Easy?

Load some of your own tricky data

## Your turn: Load this data set

Load the telemetry data set: Sta A Data 2006-11-07.dmp

```
1 telemetry <- read csv("data/Sta A Data 2006-11-07.dmp", skip = 2)</pre>
         2 telemetry
# A tibble: 19 \times 7
                    Frequency `Rate/Temp`
 StartDate Time
                                           Pwr Ant
                                                        SD
     <dbl> <time>
                        <dbl>
                                   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
     39022 17:15:36
                                    34.8
                                          175 MO
                        150.
     39022 17:19:14
                       148.
                                    19.2
                                          72 M0
                      148.
     39022 17:19:25
                                    19.7
                                          194 M1
     39022 17:20:04
                      149.
                                    33.8
                                          104 MO
                                    33.7 152 M1
     39022 17:20:17
                      149.
                                    34.2 188 MO
     39022 17:20:57
                      150.
     39022 17:22:50
                                     9.8 188 MO
                        148.
                                                         ()
# i 12 more rows
```

## Your turn: Load this data set

#### Too Easy?

- Use sheet argument to access specific sheet (excel\_sheets() lists them all)
- skip the first *three* rows (including the headers)
- provide new header names

```
1 excel sheets("data/rivers correct.xlsx") # Or look yourself;)
                 "Oswegatchie"
[1] "Sheet1"
         1 read excel("data/rivers correct.xlsx", sheet = "Oswegatchie", skip = 3,
                      col names = c("name", "site", "element", "amount",
                                    "temp", "year", "weather"))
# A tibble: 75 \times 7
                        element amount
              site
                                          temp year weather
  name
              <chr>
                                  <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
  <chr>
                         <chr>
                                         0.791
1 Oswegatchie Up stream
                                                2022 sunny
2 Oswegatchie Mid stream Al
                                         9.32
                                0.161
                                                2023 cloudy
                             0.0333 10.6
3 Oswegatchie Down stream Al
                                                2019 cloudy
                              0.357 3.73
4 Oswegatchie Up stream
                                                2019 cloudy
5 Oswegatchie Mid stream Ba
                                0.560 9.66
                                                2020 sunny
6 Oswegatchie Down stream Ba
                                         8.56
                                                2021 wet
7 Oswegatchie Up stream
                               0.107 20.9
                                                2021 sunny
                             0.857 10.8
8 Oswegatchie Mid stream Br
                                                2022 sunny
9 Oswegatchie Down stream Br
                                         4.79
                                                2023 cloudy
10 Oswegatchie Up stream
                                 NA 4.76
                                                2023 cloudy
# i 65 more rows
```

# **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

```
1 library(palmerpenguins)
          2 penguins
# A tibble: 344 \times 8
   species island
                     bill length mm bill depth mm flipper length mm body mass g sex
                                                                                         year
  <fct> <fct>
                              <dbl>
                                                                           <int> <fct> <int>
                                             <dbl>
                                                               <int>
 1 Adelie Torgersen
                                             18.7
                               39.1
                                                                            3750 male
                                                                                         2007
                                                                 181
 2 Adelie Torgersen
                               39.5
                                             17.4
                                                                            3800 female
                                                                                         2007
                                                                 186
 3 Adelie Torgersen
                               40.3
                                             18
                                                                 195
                                                                            3250 female
                                                                                         2007
 4 Adelie Torgersen
                                                                              NA <NA>
                                                                                         2007
                               NA
                                             NA
                                                                 NA
 5 Adelie Torgersen
                               36.7
                                             19.3
                                                                 193
                                                                            3450 female
                                                                                         2007
                                             20.6
 6 Adelie Torgersen
                               39.3
                                                                 190
                                                                            3650 male
                                                                                         2007
                               38.9
                                             17.8
                                                                 181
                                                                            3625 female
                                                                                         2007
 7 Adelie Torgersen
                               39.2
                                             19.6
                                                                                         2007
 8 Adelie Torgersen
                                                                 195
                                                                            4675 male
 9 Adelie Torgersen
                               34.1
                                             18.1
                                                                 193
                                                                            3475 <NA>
                                                                                         2007
10 Adelie Torgersen
                               42
                                             20.2
                                                                 190
                                                                            4250 <NA>
                                                                                         2007
# i 334 more rows
```

## Look at the data

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

1	tail(pengui	ns)					
# A tibble: species		_length_mm bill	_depth_mm flip	pper_length_mm body	_mass_g	sex	year
<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>	<int></int>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1 Chinstrap	Dream	45.7	17	195	3650	female	2009
2 Chinstrap	Dream	55.8	19.8	207	4000	male	2009
3 Chinstrap	Dream	43.5	18.1	202	3400	female	2009
4 Chinstrap	Dream	49.6	18.2	193	3775	male	2009
5 Chinstrap	Dream	50.8	19	210	4100	male	2009
6 Chinstrap	Dream	50.2	18.7	198	3775	female	2009

# skim() the data

### skim() is from skimr

- Are the formats correct?
  - numbers (numeric),
  - text (character)
  - date (date, POSIXct, datetime)
  - categories (factor)
- Are values appropriate?
  - Should there be NAs?
- Are there any typos?
- Number of rows expected?

```
1 library(skimr)
          2 skim(penguins)
- Data Summary
                           Values
Name
                           penguins
Number of rows
                           344
Number of columns
Column type frequency:
  factor
  numeric
Group variables
                           None
- Variable type: factor
  skim variable n missing complete rate ordered n unique top counts
1 species
                                         FALSE
                                                        3 Ade: 152, Gen: 124, Chi: 68
                                                        3 Bis: 168, Dre: 124, Tor: 52
2 island
                                         FALSE
3 sex
                                  0.968 FALSE
                                                        2 mal: 168, fem: 165
- Variable type: numeric
                                                                             p50
  skim variable
                    n missing complete rate
                                              mean
                                                         sd
                                                                р0
                                                                      p25
                                                                                    p75
                                                                                          p100 hist
1 bill length mm
                                                                     39.2
                                               43.9
                                                      5.46
                                                              32.1
                                                                            44.4
                                                                                   48.5
2 bill depth mm
                                              17.2
                                                     1.97
                                                             13.1
                                                                    15.6
                                                                           17.3
                                                                                  18.7
                                      0.994
3 flipper length mm
                                      0.994
                                             201.
                                                    14.1
                                                             172
                                                                    190
                                                                           197
                                                                                  213
                                                                                         231
4 body mass g
                                      0.994 4202.
                                                    802.
                                                            2700
                                                                   3550
                                                                          4050
                                                                                 4750
                                                                                        6300
5 year
                                             2008.
                                                      0.818 2007
                                                                   2007
                                                                          2008
                                                                                 2009
                                                                                        2009
```

# count () categories

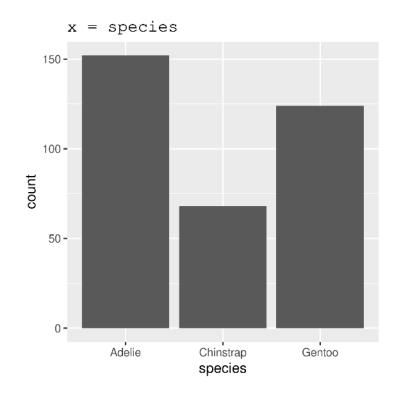
## count() is from dplyr\*

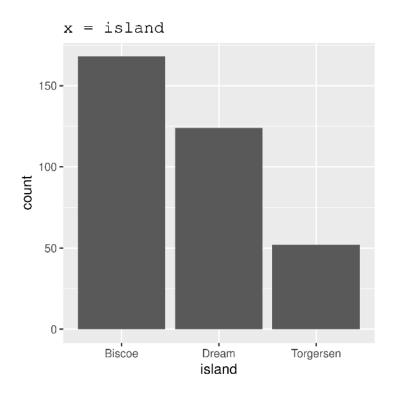
- Check for sample sizes and potential typos in categorical columns
- Assess missing values

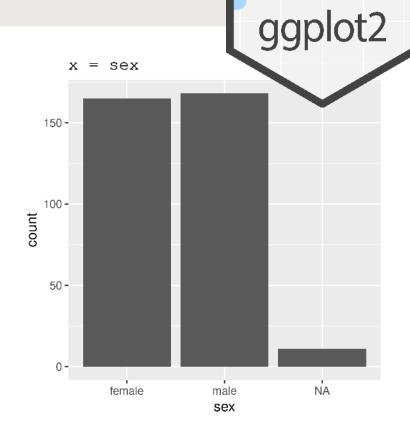


# **Plot categories**

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = COLUMN)) +
2 geom_bar()
```

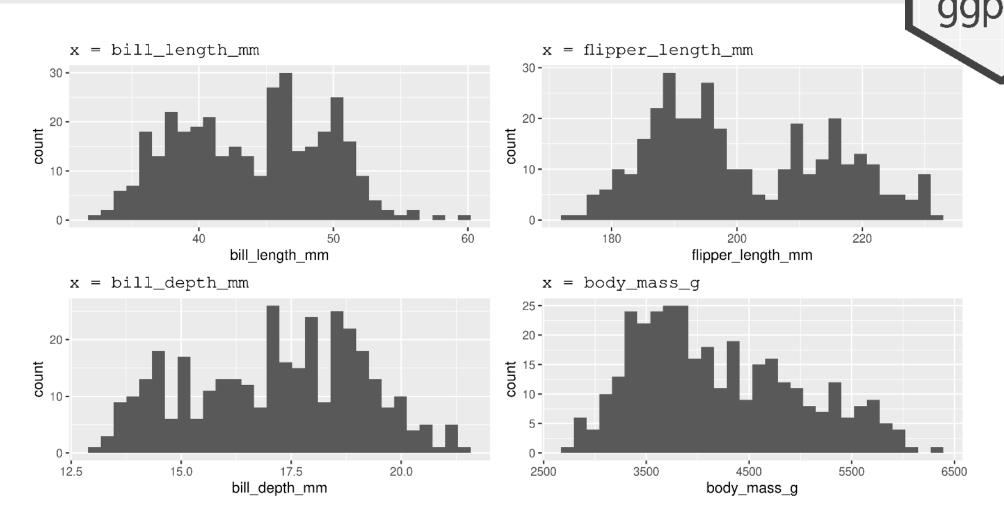






#### **Plot numbers**

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = COLUMN)) +
2 geom histogram()()
```



# **Example of problematic data**

rivers\_correct.csv

#### Look at the data

```
1 rivers <- read csv("data/rivers correct.csv")</pre>
         2 rivers
\# A tibble: 300 \times 7
                        Ele Amo `Temperature C°` Year Wea
   `River Name` Site
  <chr>
         <chr>
                                               <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
                        <chr> <dbl>
1 Grasse Up stream Al 0.606 10.9
                                                     2019 cloudy
2 Grasse Mid stream Al 0.425
3 Grase Down stream Al 0.194
                                            8.68 2020 cloudy
                                           8.75 2021 snowy
                                        0.791 2022 sunny
9.32 2023 cloudy
 4 Oswegatchie Up stream Al 1
5 Oswegatchie Mid stream Al 0.161
                                        10.6 2019 cloudy
4.01 2020 sunny
6 Oswegatchie Down stream Al 0.0333
7 Raquette
            Up stream Al 0.292
                                        5.96 2021 cloudy
6.21 2022 cloudy
8 Raquette
                            0.0389
            Mid stream Al
9 Raquette Down stream Al NA
10 St. Regis
           Up stream Al
                            0.681
                                     8.02 2023 cloudy
# i 290 more rows
```

- Column names are not great (River Name and Temperature C° are not R-friendly) or obvious (what is Ele?)
- At least one typo in River (Grase should be Grasse)

# **Looking for problems**

#### Your Turn!

- skim() the data
- count() some columns
- Perhaps make some ggplot()s

Find any problems?

# skim() the data

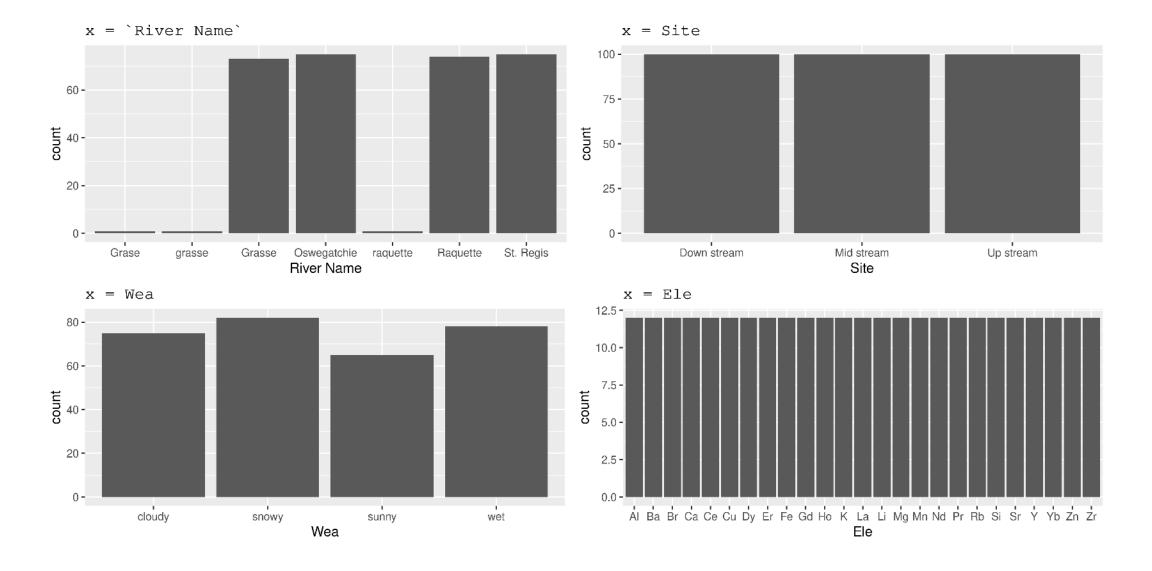
1 skim	(rivers)											
— Data Summary —												
	Valı	ıes										
Name	rive	ers										
Number of rows	300											
Number of columns	7											
Column type frequency	ency:											
character	4											
numeric	3											
Group variables	 None											
Group variables	NOTIE	5										
<pre>— Variable type:</pre>	character —											
skim variable n		Lete rate r	min	max er	npty n	unique w	hite	space				
1 River Name	_ 0	_ 1	5	11	0 -	7		0				
2 Site	0	1	9	11	0	3		0				
3 Ele	0	1	1	2	0	25		0				
4 Wea	0	1	3	6	0	4		0				
<pre>— Variable type:</pre>	numeric —											
skim variable		olete rate		mean	sd		р0	p25	p50	p75	p100	hist
1 Amo	39	0.87		0.429	0.299			0.169		0.643	1	
2 Temperature C°	0	1		9.17		<b>-</b> 99		7.54		12.7	20.9	
3 Year	0	1	202		1.42	2019		2020	2021	2022	2023	

## count() categories

```
1 count(rivers, Ele)
\# A tibble: 25 \times 2
  Ele
  <chr> <int>
1 A l
         12
2 Ba
3 Br 12
        12
4 Ca
        12
5 Ce
        12
6 Cu
7 Dy
        12
8 Er 12
9 Fe 12
     12
10 Gd
# i 15 more rows
```

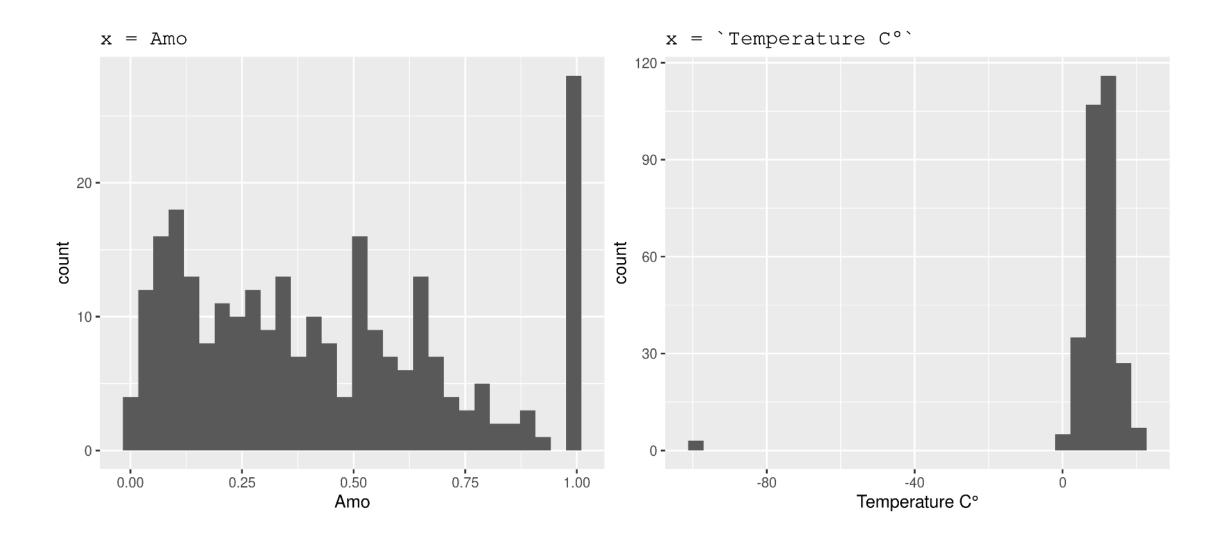
# **Plot categories**

```
1 ggplot(data = rivers, aes(x = COLUMN)) +
2 geom_bar()
```



#### **Plot numbers**

```
1 ggplot(data = rivers, aes(x = COLUMN)) +
2 geom histogram()()
```



# Fixing problems

## Cleaning column names

#### clean\_names() is from janitor\*

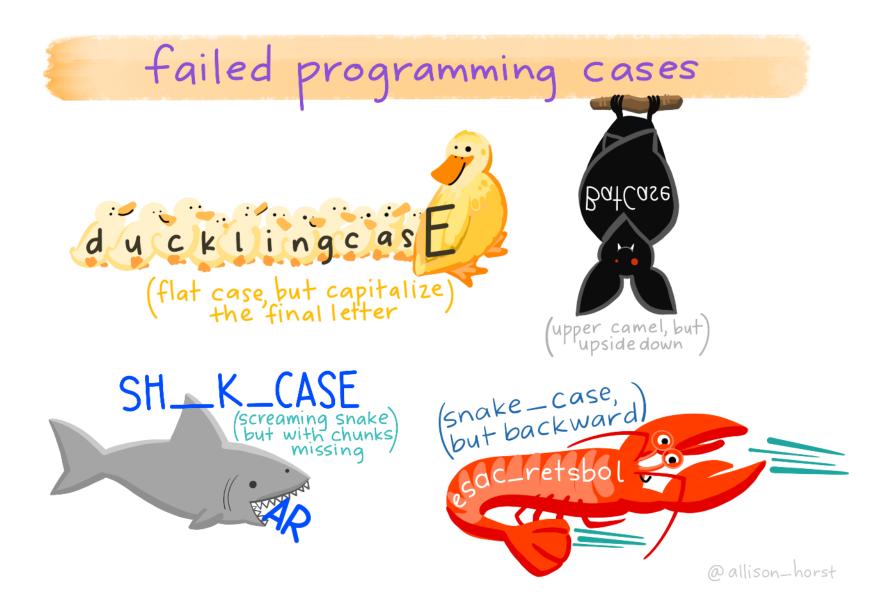


```
1 library(janitor)
2 rivers <- clean names(rivers)</pre>
 3 rivers
   # A tibble: 300 \times 7
     river name site
                      ele amo temperature c year wea
   <chr> <chr>
                       <chr> <dbl>
                                             <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
  1 Grasse Up stream Al
                                0.606
                                            10.9
                                                   2019 cloudy
   2 Grasse Mid stream Al
                              0.425
                                            8.68 2020 cloudy
6 3 Grase Down stream Al
                              0.194
                                             8.75
                                                   2021 snowy
   4 Oswegatchie Up stream
                                             0.791 2022 sunny
   5 Oswegatchie Mid stream Al
                               0.161
                                            9.32
                                                   2023 cloudy
   6 Oswegatchie Down stream Al
                               0.0333
                                            10.6
                                                   2019 cloudy
10 7 Raquette
              Up stream
                              0.292
                                            4.01 2020 sunny
    8 Raquette
                               0.0389
                                             5.96
              Mid stream Al
                                                   2021 cloudy
    9 Raquette Down stream Al
                                             6.21
                                                   2022 cloudy
13 10 St. Regis Up stream Al
                                0.681
                                             8.02
                                                   2023 cloudy
14 # i 290 more rows
```

# **Side Note: Naming conventions**



## **Side Note: Naming conventions**



### Cleaning column names

#### rename() is from dplyr\*

#### rename() columns

```
1 rivers <- rename(rivers, element = ele, amount = amo, temperature = temperature c)</pre>
         2 rivers
# A tibble: 300 \times 7
                    element amount temperature year wea
  river name site
  <chr> <chr>
                               <dbl>
                                          <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
                      <chr>
1 Grasse Up stream
                               0.606
                                          10.9
                                                 2019 cloudy
 2 Grasse Mid stream Al
                              0.425
                                          8.68
                                                2020 cloudy
 3 Grase Down stream Al
                           0.194
                                          8.75
                                                 2021 snowy
 4 Oswegatchie Up stream Al
                                          0.791 2022 sunny
                            0.161
                                           9.32
 5 Oswegatchie Mid stream Al
                                                 2023 cloudy
                              0.0333
 6 Oswegatchie Down stream Al
                                          10.6
                                                 2019 cloudy
 7 Raquette
                             0.292
                                           4.01
                                                 2020 sunny
             Up stream
                             0.0389
                                           5.96
 8 Raquette Mid stream Al
                                                 2021 cloudy
 9 Raquette Down stream Al
                                           6.21
                                                 2022 cloudy
                              NA
10 St. Regis Up stream Al
                                           8.02
                               0.681
                                                 2023 cloudy
# i 290 more rows
```

# **Subsetting columns**

#### select() is from dplyr\*

select() columns you want

```
1 rivers <- select(rivers, river name, site, element, amount)</pre>
```



#### OR, unselect() columns you don't want

```
1 rivers <- select(rivers, -wea)</pre>
         2 rivers
# A tibble: 300 \times 6
  river name site
                         element amount temperature year
   <chr>
             <chr>
                        <chr>
                                 <dbl>
                                             <dbl> <dbl>
1 Grasse Up stream
                        Al
                                 0.606
                                             10.9
                                                    2019
 2 Grasse Mid stream Al
                                 0.425
                                              8.68
                                                    2020
          Down stream Al
                                 0.194
                                              8.75
                                                    2021
 3 Grase
                                              0.791 2022
 4 Oswegatchie Up stream Al
                                              9.32
                                                    2023
 5 Oswegatchie Mid stream Al
                                 0.161
 6 Oswegatchie Down stream Al
                                 0.0333
                                             10.6
                                                    2019
                                 0.292
                                              4.01
                                                    2020
 7 Raquette
              Up stream
 8 Raquette Mid stream Al
                                 0.0389
                                              5.96
                                                    2021
 9 Raquette Down stream Al
                                              6.21
                                                    2022
                                                    2023
10 St. Regis Up stream Al
                                 0.681
                                              8.02
# i 290 more rows
```

### Cleaning columns

#### Put it all together

```
1 rivers <- read csv("data/rivers correct.csv")</pre>
         2 rivers <- clean names(rivers)</pre>
         3 rivers <- rename(rivers, element = ele, amount = amo, temperature = temperature c)</pre>
         4 rivers <- select(rivers, -wea)</pre>
         5 rivers
# A tibble: 300 \times 6
  river name site element amount temperature year
  <chr>
             <chr>
                        <chr>
                                 <dbl>
                                             <dbl> <dbl>
1 Grasse Up stream
                                 0.606
                                            10.9
                                                    2019
                       Al
                                 0.425
                                             8.68 2020
 2 Grasse Mid stream Al
                              0.194
                                             8.75
                                                    2021
 3 Grase
          Down stream Al
 4 Oswegatchie Up stream Al
                                             0.791 2022
 5 Oswegatchie Mid stream Al
                               0.161
                                             9.32
                                                    2023
 6 Oswegatchie Down stream Al
                               0.0333
                                            10.6
                                                    2019
 7 Raquette Up stream Al
                                 0.292
                                             4.01
                                                    2020
                                0.0389
 8 Raquette Mid stream Al
                                             5.96
                                                    2021
                                             6.21
                                                    2022
 9 Raquette Down stream Al
                                NA
10 St. Regis Up stream Al
                                              8.02
                                 0.681
                                                    2023
# i 290 more rows
```

# **Fixing typos**

#### Remember the typos...

# Fixing typos

#### Replace typos

Combine the if\_else function with the mutate() function

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



#### Check that it's gone:

```
1 filter(rivers, river_name == "Grase")
# A tibble: 0 × 6
# i 6 variables: river_name <chr>, site <chr>, element <chr>, amount <dbl>, temperature <dbl>, year <dbl>
```

#### if\_else() and mutate() from dplyr package\*

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

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

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

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

## **Iterative process**

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



#### Many corrections?

Try case\_when() from dplyr package\*

case\_when() tests for multiple conditions, and returns different values depending

```
case_when(condition1 ~ value_if_true1,
condition2 ~ value_if_true2,
condition3 ~ value_if_true3,
TRUE ~ default_value)
```

### Your Turn: Fix another "Grasse" typo

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

```
rivers <- read_csv("data/rivers_correct.csv")
rivers <- clean_names(rivers)
rivers <- rename(rivers, element = ele, amount = amo, temperature = temperature_c)
rivers <- select(rivers, -wea)
rivers <- mutate(rivers, river_name = if_else(river_name == "Grase", "Grasse", river_name))
rivers <- mutate(???, ??? = ???)</pre>
```

#### **Too Easy?**

Examine and fix problems in your own data

### Your Turn: Fix another "Grasse" typo

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

```
1 rivers <- read_csv("data/rivers_correct.csv")
2 rivers <- clean_names(rivers)
3 rivers <- rename(rivers, element = ele, amount = amo, temperature = temperature_c)
4 rivers <- select(rivers, -wea)
5 rivers <- mutate(rivers, river_name = if_else(river_name == "Grase", "Grasse", river_name))
6
7 rivers <- mutate(rivers, river_name = if_else(river_name == "grasse", "Grasse", river_name))</pre>
```

# Fixing typos

#### To be more efficient, fix all typos at once

```
1 rivers <- read_csv("data/rivers_correct.csv")
2 rivers <- clean_names(rivers)
3 rivers <- rename(rivers, element = ele, amount = amo, temperature = temperature_c)
4 rivers <- select(rivers, -wea)
5 rivers <- mutate(rivers,
6 river_name = if_else(river_name %in% c("Grase", "grasse"), "Grasse", river_name))</pre>
```

== compares one item to one other %in% compares one item to many different ones

# Fixing typos

#### One last typo to fix

#### Combine with case\_when()

# Tangent: tidyverse functions

## tidyverse functions

#### rename(), select(), mutate()

- tidyverse functions always start with the data, followed by other arguments
- you can reference any column from 'data'

```
rivers <- read_csv("data/rivers_correct.csv")
rivers <- clean_names(rivers)
rivers <- rename(rivers, element = ele, amount = amo, temperature = temperature_c)
rivers <- select(rivers, -wea)
rivers <- mutate(rivers, river_name = if_else(river_name %in% c("Grase", "grasse"), "Grasse", river_name))</pre>
```

- rename() changes column names
- select() chooses columns to keep or to remove (with -)
- mutate() changes column contents

### Why use tidyverse functions?

#### Pipes! | >\* Allow you to string commands together

Instead of:

#### We have:

```
rivers <- read_csv("data/rivers_correct.csv") |>
clean_names() |>
rename(element = ele, amount = amo, temperature = temperature_c) |>
select(-wea) |>
mutate(river_name = case_when(river_name %in% c("Grase", "grasse") ~ "Grasse",
river_name == "raquette" ~ "Raquette",
TRUE ~ river_name))
```

## Play around

Take a moment to play with this code in your console

#### **Convert this:**

#### To this:

```
rivers <- read_csv("data/rivers_correct.csv") |>
clean_names() |>
rename(element = ele, amount = amo, temperature = temperature_c) |>
select(-wea) |>
mutate(river_name = case_when(river_name %in% c("Grase", "grasse") ~ "Grasse",
river_name == "raquette" ~ "Raquette",
TRUE ~ river_name))
```

# **Dealing with NAs**

Data that *is* missing Data that *should* be missing

## **Exploring NAs**

- We saw missing values in amount
- Use filter() to take a closer look

```
1 filter(rivers, is.na(amount))
# A tibble: 39 \times 6
  river name site element amount temperature year
  <chr>
            <chr>
                  <chr>
                               <dbl>
                                         <dbl> <dbl>
1 Raquette Down stream Al
                                 NA
                                          6.21 2022
                                          5.23 2022
 2 Raquette Up stream
                                 NA
 3 Raquette Up stream
                                               2019
                      Br
                                 NA
                                       4.76 2023
 4 Oswegatchie Up stream Ca
                                 NA
                                      13.9
                                               2020
 5 Raquette
            Down stream Ce
                                 NA
                                          9.13 2019
 6 Grasse
            Up stream Cu
                                NA
                                          4.98 2019
7 Raquette
                                NA
            Down stream Dy
                                          3.07 2021
 8 Raquette
            Down stream Er
                                 NA
 9 Raquette
            Down stream Fe
                                 NA
                                          7.20 2023
10 Raquette
                                          4.73 2020
            Down stream Gd
                                 NA
# i 29 more rows
```

# **Omitting NAs**

#### drop\_na() is from tidyr\*

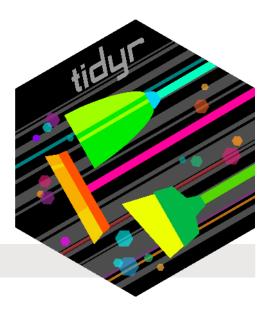
Omit NAs from the amount column only (drop those rows)

```
1 rivers_no_na <- drop_na(rivers, amount)</pre>
```

Omit **all** NAs from **all** columns (drop those rows)

```
1 rivers no na <- drop na(rivers)</pre>
```

#### Check...



# Side Note: filter() also omits NAs 😱

If we filter by the column with NAs, they are silently dropped

```
1 filter(rivers, amount < 0.05)</pre>
# A tibble: 15 \times 6
  river name site
                       element amount temperature year
  <chr>
                       <chr>
                                           <dbl> <dbl>
             <chr>
                                <dbl>
1 Oswegatchie Down stream Al
                               0.0333
                                                  2019
                                          10.6
2 Raquette Mid stream Al
                              0.0389
                                         5.96 2021
3 Grasse
            Mid stream Br
                              0.0357
                                      12.4
                                                 2019
4 St. Regis Up stream Br
                              0.0357
                                         3.52 2022
                                      0.936 2023
5 St. Regis Mid stream Br
                              0.0357
                              0.0116
6 Raquette
            Mid stream Ce
                                         6.61 2019
7 Raquette
            Mid stream Fe
                              0.00656 10.8
                                                 2022
             Up stream K
8 Grasse
                              0.0313
                                         3.61 2021
9 Raquette Mid stream La
                              0.0275
                                           2.50
                                                2020
10 Oswegatchie Down stream Mn
                               0.00672
                                           8.89 2019
# i 5 more rows
```

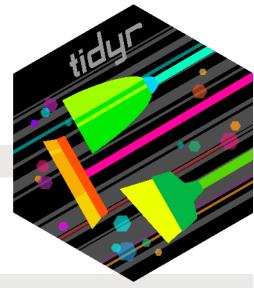
#### We need to be explicit if we want to keep them

```
1 filter(rivers, amount < 0.05 | is.na(amount))</pre>
# A tibble: 54 \times 6
  river name site
                        element amount temperature year
  <chr>
             <chr>
                        <chr>
                                 <dbl>
                                            <dbl> <dbl>
                                0.0333
1 Oswegatchie Down stream Al
                                           10.6
                                                   2019
2 Raquette
            Mid stream Al
                               0.0389
                                           5.96
                                                 2021
3 Raquette
            Down stream Al
                                           6.21
                                                 2022
 4 Raquette
            Up stream Ba
                               NA
                                           5.23 2022
 5 Grasse
             Mid stream Br
                               0.0357
                                          12.4
                                                  2019
 6 Raquette
             Up stream Br
                                           -99
                                                   2019
                              0.0357
                                          3.52 2022
7 St. Regis
            Up stream Br
                               0.0357
8 St. Regis
            Mid stream Br
                                          0.936 2023
9 Oswegatchie Up stream Ca
                                            4.76
                                                   2023
10 Raquette
            Mid stream Ce
                                0.0116
                                            6.61 2019
# i 44 more rows
```

## **Replacing NAs**

#### replace\_na() is from tidyr\*

```
1 rivers_no_na <- mutate(rivers, amount = replace_na(amount, 0))</pre>
```



#### Check...

No more NAs!

(If you want to do a more complex replacement, you'll have same intim bee (o) for was e\_when ( ) like we did for typos.)

### Converting to NA

#### Remember the problem with temperature?



#### na\_if() is from dplyr\*

```
1 rivers <- mutate(rivers, temperature = na_if(temperature, -99))</pre>
```

#### Check...

# **Fixing formats**

## **Changing classes**

Function	Input	Output		
as.character()	Any vector	Text (Characters)		
as.numeric()	Any vector (but returns NAs if not numbers)	Numbers		
as.logical()	TRUE, FALSE, T, F, 0 (FALSE), any other number (all TRUE)	TRUE or FALSE		
as.factor()	Any vector	Categories		

#### Your turn, try the following. We'll deal with dates and times later...

```
1 a <- c("hi", "hello", "bonjour")</pre>
                                                                  1 b <- c(1, 0, 20)
1 as.character(a)
                                                                  1 as.character(b)
2 as.numeric(a)
                                                                  2 as.numeric(b)
3 as.logical(a)
                                                                  3 as.logical(b)
4 as.factor(a)
                                                                  4 as.factor(b)
```

# **Changing classes**

#### Your turn, try the following...

```
1 b <- c(1, 0, 20)
         1 a <- c("hi", "hello", "bonjour")</pre>
         1 as.character(a)
                                                                      1 as.character(b)
                                                             [1] "1" "0" "20"
[1] "hi" "hello" "bonjour"
         1 as.numeric(a)
                                                                      1 as.numeric(b)
[1] NA NA NA
                                                             [1] 1 0 20
         1 as.logical(a)
                                                                      1 as.logical(b)
[1] NA NA NA
                                                             [1] TRUE FALSE TRUE
         1 as.factor(a)
                                                                      1 as.factor(b)
      hello bonjour
[1] hi
                                                             [1] 1 0 20
Levels: bonjour hello hi
                                                            Levels: 0 1 20
```

### **Look for problems**

```
1 rivers
\# A tibble: 300 \times 6
  river name site
                         element amount temperature
                                                    year
  <chr>
              <chr>
                         <chr>
                                   <dbl>
                                               <dbl> <dbl>
1 Grasse Up stream
                                                     2019
                                  0.606
                                             10.9
 2 Grasse Mid stream Al
                                  0.425
                                               8.68
                                                     2020
 3 Grasse
          Down stream Al
                                  0.194
                                               8.75
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 4 Oswegatchie Up stream
                                              0.791
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 5 Oswegatchie Mid stream Al
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 6 Oswegatchie Down stream Al
                                  0.0333
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                                                     2019
                                  0.292
                                               4.01
                                                     2020
 7 Raquette
              Up stream Al
                                  0.0389
                                               5.96
                                                     2021
 8 Raquette Mid stream Al
 9 Raquette Down stream Al
                                               6.21
                                                     2022
                                 NA
10 St. Regis Up stream Al
                                  0.681
                                               8.02
                                                     2023
# i 290 more rows
```

Year could be categorical (factor)
Better for plotting!

(although it really depends)

### **Convert to categorical**

```
1 rivers <- mutate(rivers, year = factor(year))</pre>
        2 rivers
# A tibble: 300 \times 6
  river name site element amount temperature year
  <chr> <chr>
                     <chr>
                             <dbl>
                                        <dbl> <fct>
1 Grasse Up stream Al
                             0.606
                                        10.9 2019
2 Grasse Mid stream Al
                             0.425 8.68 2020
3 Grasse Down stream Al
                         0.194
                                        8.75 2021
4 Oswegatchie Up stream Al
                                        0.791 2022
                             0.161
5 Oswegatchie Mid stream Al
                                        9.32 2023
                             0.0333 10.6 2019
6 Oswegatchie Down stream Al
                                       4.01 2020
7 Raquette Up stream Al
                             0.292
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9 Raquette Down stream Al
                                        6.21 2022
                             NA
10 St. Regis Up stream Al
                                         8.02 2023
                              0.681
# i 290 more rows
```

### Put it all together...

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

- You have not changed the original data
- You have a **reproducible** record of all corrections
- You can alter these corrections at any time
- You have formatted your data for use in R
- Read these steps line by line to remind yourself what you did

## Put it all together...

#### Feel free to annotate within a pipe

```
1 rivers <- read csv("data/rivers correct.csv") |>
 2 # Fix column names
 3 clean names() |>
4 rename(element = ele, amount = amo, temperature = temperature c) |>
 5 select(-wea) |>
6 mutate(
    # Correct typos
       river name = case when (river name %in% c("Grase", "grasse") ~ "Grasse",
                             river name == "raquette" ~ "Raquette",
                             TRUE ~ river name),
11
       # Missing amounts should be 0
       amount = replace na(amount, 0),
       # Problems with temperature logger, -99 is a mistake
       temperature = na if(temperature, -99),
14
       # Convert for plotting
      year = factor(year))
```

### **Dates and Times**

(Or why does R hate me?)

### **Dates and Times**

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

```
1 geolocators <- read csv("data/geolocators.csv", col names = c("time", "light"))</pre>
          2 geolocators
# A tibble: 21 \times 2
                     light
  time
                     <dbl>
  <chr>
1 02/05/11 22:29:59
2 02/05/11 22:31:59
                        38
3 02/05/11 22:33:59
4 02/05/11 22:35:59
                        38
5 02/05/11 22:37:59
                        34
6 02/05/11 22:39:59
# i 15 more rows
```

Here time column is considered chr (character/text)

You may know it's a date, but R does not



# lubridate package \*

- Part of tidyverse, but needs to be loaded separately
- Great for converting date/times (i.e. telling R this is a date/time)

```
1 library(lubridate)
          2 geolocators <- mutate(geolocators, time fixed = dmy hms(time))</pre>
          3 geolocators
# A tibble: 21 \times 3
  time
                    light time fixed
                    <dbl> <dttm>
  <chr>
1 02/05/11 22:29:59
                       64 2011-05-02 22:29:59
2 02/05/11 22:31:59
                      64 2011-05-02 22:31:59
3 02/05/11 22:33:59
                      38 2011-05-02 22:33:59
4 02/05/11 22:35:59 38 2011-05-02 22:35:59
5 02/05/11 22:37:59
                      34 2011-05-02 22:37:59
6 02/05/11 22:39:59
                       30 2011-05-02 22:39:59
# i 15 more rows
```



Now time\_fixed column is considered dttm (Date/Time)

So You know it's a Date/Time and now R knows too

# lubridate package \*

Generally, only the order of the year, month, day, hour, minute, or second matters.

#### For example

date/time format	function	output class
2018-01-01 13:09:11	<pre>ymd_hms()</pre>	dttm (POSIXct/POSIXt)
12/20/2019 10:00 PM	<pre>mdy_hm()</pre>	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

# **Saving data**

(For the love of all that is good don't *lose* that data!!!)\*

\* but if you've been paying attention, you know that you only need the script 😉

# Saving data

#### Keep yourself organized

- Keep your R-created data in a **different** folder from your 'raw' data \*
- If you have a lot going on, split your work into several scripts, and number the both the scripts AND the data sets produced:
- 1\_cleaned.csv
- 2\_summarized.csv
- 3\_graphing.csv

#### Save your data to file:

```
1 write_csv(rivers, "datasets/rivers_cleaned.csv")
```



# 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

### Wrapping up: Common mistakes

#### 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

### Wrapping up: Common mistakes

#### Confusing pipes with function arguments

• Pipes (|> or %>%) 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 3: Data transformation
  - Chapter 6: Workflow: scripts and projects
  - Chapter 14: Strings
  - Chapter 16: Factors
  - Chapter 4.3: Workflow: code style > Pipes