Exercises 10.5

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1. How can you tell if an object is a tibble? (Hint: try printing mtcars, which is a regular data frame).

```
print(mtcars)
                         mpg cyl
                                  disp
                                        hp drat
                                                     wt
                                                         qsec vs am gear carb
## Mazda RX4
                        21.0
                               6 160.0 110 3.90 2.620 16.46
                                                                             4
## Mazda RX4 Wag
                        21.0
                               6 160.0 110 3.90 2.875 17.02
                                                               0
                                                                  1
                                                                        4
                                                                             4
## Datsun 710
                        22.8
                               4 108.0
                                         93 3.85 2.320 18.61
                                                                        4
                                                                             1
## Hornet 4 Drive
                        21.4
                               6 258.0 110 3.08 3.215 19.44
                                                                        3
                                                                             1
## Hornet Sportabout
                        18.7
                               8 360.0 175 3.15 3.440 17.02
                                                                        3
                                                                             2
## Valiant
                        18.1
                               6 225.0 105 2.76 3.460 20.22
                                                                        3
                                                                             1
                                                               1
                                                                        3
## Duster 360
                        14.3
                               8 360.0 245 3.21 3.570 15.84
                                                                             4
## Merc 240D
                        24.4
                               4 146.7
                                         62 3.69 3.190 20.00
                                                                        4
                                                                             2
                                                                             2
## Merc 230
                        22.8
                               4 140.8
                                         95 3.92 3.150 22.90
                                                                        4
## Merc 280
                               6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.30
                                                                        4
                                                                             4
                        19.2
                                                                  0
## Merc 280C
                        17.8
                               6 167.6 123 3.92 3.440 18.90
## Merc 450SE
                        16.4
                               8 275.8 180 3.07 4.070 17.40
                                                               0
                                                                        3
                                                                             3
## Merc 450SL
                        17.3
                               8 275.8 180 3.07 3.730 17.60
                                                                        3
                                                                             3
## Merc 450SLC
                               8 275.8 180 3.07 3.780 18.00
                                                                        3
                                                                             3
                        15.2
## Cadillac Fleetwood
                               8 472.0 205 2.93 5.250 17.98
                                                                        3
                        10.4
                               8 460.0 215 3.00 5.424 17.82
                                                                        3
                                                                             4
## Lincoln Continental 10.4
## Chrysler Imperial
                        14.7
                               8 440.0 230 3.23 5.345 17.42
                                                                        3
                                                                             4
                                  78.7
                                                                        4
## Fiat 128
                        32.4
                                         66 4.08 2.200 19.47
                                                                             1
## Honda Civic
                        30.4
                                  75.7
                                         52 4.93 1.615 18.52
                                                                             2
## Toyota Corolla
                        33.9
                                  71.1
                                         65 4.22 1.835 19.90
                                                                        4
                                                                             1
## Toyota Corona
                        21.5
                               4 120.1
                                         97 3.70 2.465 20.01
                                                                        3
                                                                             1
## Dodge Challenger
                        15.5
                               8 318.0 150 2.76 3.520 16.87
                                                                        3
                                                                             2
## AMC Javelin
                               8 304.0 150 3.15 3.435 17.30
                                                                        3
                                                                             2
                        15.2
                                                               0
## Camaro Z28
                        13.3
                               8 350.0 245 3.73 3.840 15.41
                                                                        3
                                                                             4
## Pontiac Firebird
                        19.2
                               8 400.0 175 3.08 3.845 17.05
                                                               0
                                                                        3
                                                                             2
                                                                        4
## Fiat X1-9
                        27.3
                               4 79.0
                                         66 4.08 1.935 18.90
                                                                             1
## Porsche 914-2
                                        91 4.43 2.140 16.70
                                                                        5
                                                                             2
                        26.0
                               4 120.3
                                                               0
## Lotus Europa
                        30.4
                               4 95.1 113 3.77 1.513 16.90
                                                                        5
                                                                             2
                                                                             4
## Ford Pantera L
                        15.8
                               8 351.0 264 4.22 3.170 14.50
                                                                        5
## Ferrari Dino
                               6 145.0 175 3.62 2.770 15.50
                                                                        5
                                                                             6
                        19.7
                               8 301.0 335 3.54 3.570 14.60
                                                                        5
                                                                             8
## Maserati Bora
                        15.0
                                                               0
## Volvo 142E
                               4 121.0 109 4.11 2.780 18.60
                                                                             2
                        21.4
class(mtcars)
```

[1] "data.frame"

When a tibble is printed to the console, it will only print the first 10 lines of the data and it will mention that it is of class tibble and each column will have the type of data stored in it, such as integer, factor, etc. Here, mtcars is a data frame because such labeling does not exist.

2. Compare and contrast the following operations on a data.frame and equivalent tibble. What is different? Why might the default data frame behaviours cause you frustration?

```
df <- data.frame(abc = 1, xyz = "a")</pre>
df$x # returns the column with an "x" in it
## [1] a
## Levels: a
df[, "xyz"] # returns a data frame with xyz as a factor
## [1] a
## Levels: a
df[, c("abc", "xyz")] # returns a data frame
##
     abc xyz
## 1
       1
tib <- tibble(abc = 1, xyz = "a")
tib$x # returns nothing, does not do partial matching
## Warning: Unknown or uninitialised column: 'x'.
## NULL
tib[, "xyz"] # returns a tibble with xyz as a character
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
##
      xyz
##
     <chr>>
## 1
tib[, c("abc", "xyz")] # returns a tibble
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
##
      abc xyz
##
     <dbl> <chr>
```

These differences can cause frustration when there are column names that have the same words in it, but you only want to select a certain column.

3. If you have the name of a variable stored in an object, e.g. var <- "mpg", how can you extract the reference variable from a tibble?

```
var <- "xyz"
tib[[var]] # returns a vector

## [1] "a"
tib[var] # returns a tibble

## # A tibble: 1 x 1
## xyz
## <chr>
## 1 a
```

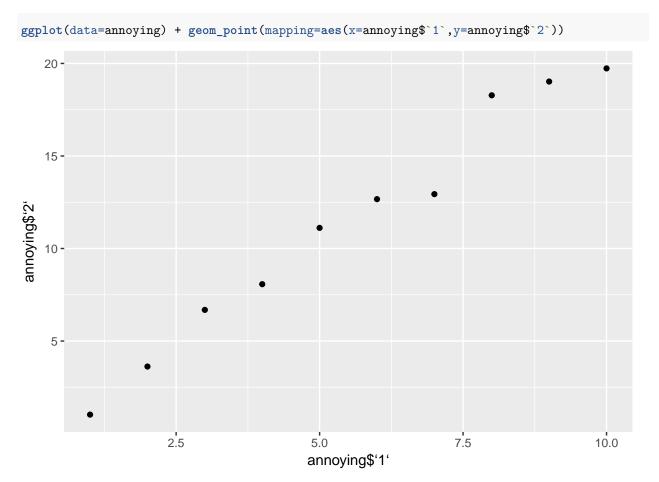
4. Practice referring to non-syntactic names in the following data frame by:

```
annoying <- tibble(
  `1` = 1:10,
  `2` = `1` * 2 + rnorm(length(`1`))
)</pre>
```

1. Extracting the variable called 1.

```
annoying$`1`
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

2. Plotting a scatterplot of 1 vs 2.



3. Creating a new column called 3 which is 2 divided by 1.

```
annoying <-
annoying %>% mutate(`3`=`2`/`1`)
```

Warning: package 'bindrcpp' was built under R version 3.2.5

annoying

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 3
        `1`
                   `2`
                            `3`
##
##
      <int>
                 <dbl>
                          <dbl>
##
    1
          1
             1.023522 1.023522
##
    2
          2
             3.622689 1.811345
##
    3
          3
             6.683690 2.227897
##
          4 8.072448 2.018112
##
   5
          5 11.114949 2.222990
##
          6 12.666594 2.111099
##
   7
          7 12.938812 1.848402
          8 18.279652 2.284956
          9 19.022233 2.113581
##
   9
         10 19.732317 1.973232
## 10
```

4. Renaming the columns to one, two and three.

```
annoying <-
  annoying %>% rename(one=`1`,two=`2`,three=`3`)
annoying
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 3
##
        one
                  two
                          three
##
                          <dbl>
      <int>
                <dbl>
##
    1
            1.023522 1.023522
          1
##
   2
          2 3.622689 1.811345
   3
          3 6.683690 2.227897
##
##
          4 8.072448 2.018112
##
    5
          5 11.114949 2.222990
##
   6
          6 12.666594 2.111099
   7
          7 12.938812 1.848402
          8 18.279652 2.284956
##
    8
##
    9
          9 19.022233 2.113581
         10 19.732317 1.973232
```

5. What does tibble::enframe() do? When might you use it?

enframe() converts vectors to tibbles and deframe() does the opposite. This can be used when you have a list and would like to turn it into a dataset.

6. What option controls how many additional column names are printed at the footer of a tibble?

tibble.max_extra_cols controls the additional column names printed at the footer of the tibble.

```
options(tibble.max_extra_cols=2) # for example
```