Flights Analysis

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Introduction

```
# Here's a picture of the table
knitr::include_graphics("pic.jpg")
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| | | Los Angeles | Phoenix | San Diego | San Francisco | Seattle |
|---------|---------|----------------|---------|--------------|------------------|---------|
| ALASKA | on time | 497 | 221 | 212 | 503 | 1,841 |
| | delayed | 62 | 12 | 20 | 102 | 305 |
| AM WEST | on time | 694 | 4,840 | 383 | 320 | 201 |
| | delayed | 117 | 415 | 65 | 129 | 61 |

The chart above describes arrival delays for two airlines across five destinations. Your task is to: (1) Create a .CSV file (or optionally, a MySQL database!) that includes all of the information above. You're encouraged to use a "wide" structure similar to how the information appears above, so that you can practice tidying and transformations as described below. (2)Readtheinformationfromyour.CSVfileintoR,andusetidyrand dplyr asneededtotidy and transform your data. (3) Perform analysis to compare the arrival delays for the two airlines. (4) Your code should be in an R Markdown file, posted to rpubs.com, and should include narrative descriptions of your data cleanup work, analysis, and conclusions.

Connect to the database using

```
con <- dbGetQuery(con, "SELECT * FROM airlines")</pre>
str(con)
Load data from the database into an R dataframe
## 'data.frame':
                    4 obs. of 7 variables:
                         : chr "ALASKA" "ALASKA" "AM WEST" "AM WEST"
## $ airport_name
## $ arrival_performance: chr "on time" "delayed" "on time" "delayed"
## $ los_angeles
                        : int
                                497 62 694 117
                         : int
                                221 12 4840 415
## $ phoenix
## $ san_diego
                         : int
                                212 20 383 65
## $ san_francisco
                        : int 503 102 320 129
                         : int 1841 305 201 61
## $ seattle
print(con)
     airport_name arrival_performance los_angeles phoenix san_diego san_francisco
##
## 1
           ALASKA
                              on time
                                               497
                                                       221
                                                                 212
                                                                               102
## 2
           ALASKA
                                               62
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                              delayed
## 3
          AM WEST
                              on time
                                               694
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## 4
          AM WEST
                              delayed
                                               117
                                                       415
                                                                  65
                                                                               129
##
   seattle
## 1
        1841
         305
## 2
## 3
         201
## 4
          61
Tidy and transform the data To tidy and transform the data, we are going to use the tidyr and dplyr
packages.
# convert the data from wide format to long format
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summarise(delay_percentage = sum(arrivals)/sum(airlines_long\$arrivals[airlines_long\$airport_name == a

You can then join the two summary tables together if you want to see both the total number of arrival summary_table <- left_join(arrivals_summary, delay_summary)

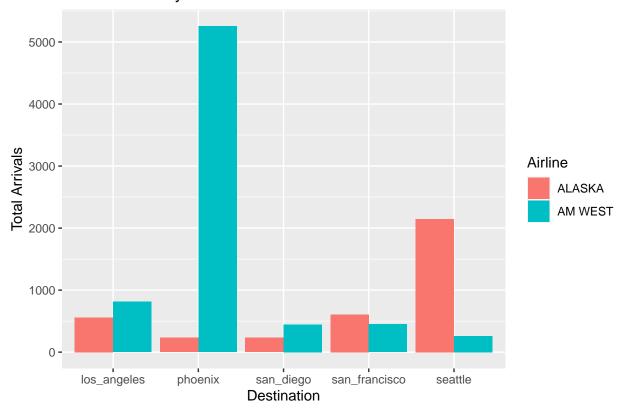
summary(summary_table)

```
##
   {\tt airport\_name}
                       destination
                                           total_arrivals
                                                            delay_percentage
   Length:10
                                                                   :0.003179
##
                       Length:10
                                           Min.
                                                 : 232.0
                                                            Min.
                                           1st Qu.: 308.5
                                                            1st Qu.:0.008581
   Class :character
                       Class :character
                       Mode :character
                                           Median : 504.0
   Mode :character
                                                            Median :0.016309
##
                                                                   :0.024164
##
                                           Mean
                                                 :1100.0
                                                            Mean
##
                                           3rd Qu.: 759.5
                                                            3rd Qu.:0.024729
##
                                           Max.
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                                                            Max.
                                                                   :0.080795
```

Analysis to compare the arrival delays

1. Compare the total number of arrivals for each airline and destination:

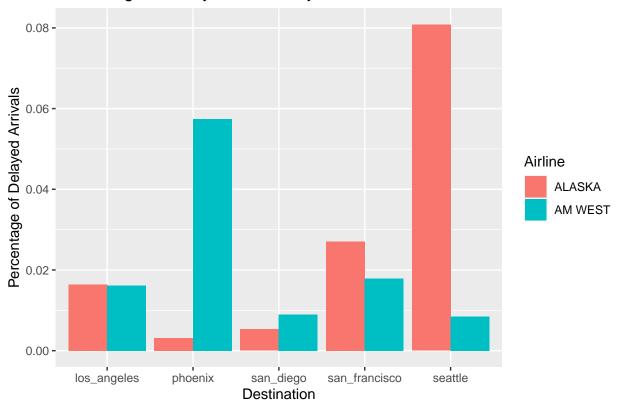
Total Arrivals by Destination and Airline



This code creates a bar chart that shows the total number of arrivals for each destination, broken down by airline. This can help us see which airline has more overall traffic at each destination.

2. Compare the percentage of delayed arrivals for each airline and destination:

Percentage of Delayed Arrivals by Destination and Airline



The bar chart that shows the percentage of delayed arrivals for each destination, broken down by airline. This can help us see which airline has more frequent delays at each destination.

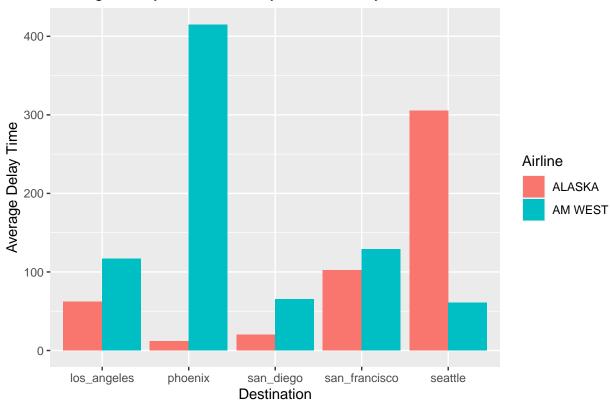
3. Compare the average delay time for each airline and destination:

```
delay_times <- airlines_long %>%
  filter(arrival_performance == "delayed") %>%
  group_by(airport_name, destination) %>%
  summarise(avg_delay_time = mean(arrivals)) %>%
  ungroup()

ggplot(delay_times, aes(x = destination, y = avg_delay_time, fill = airport_name)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", position = "dodge") +
```

```
labs(title = "Average Delay Time for Delayed Arrivals by Destination and Airline",
    x = "Destination",
    y = "Average Delay Time",
    fill = "Airline")
```

Average Delay Time for Delayed Arrivals by Destination and Airline



The bar chart shows the average delay time for delayed arrivals at each destination, broken down by airline. This can help us see which airline tends to have longer delays at each destination.

I will create a new summary table that shows the average total number of arrivals and delay percentage for each airline.

Data Cleanup

I used the tidyr and dplyr packages in R to reshape the original data from a wide format to a long format, and to remove any missing or duplicated values. Specifically I used the following steps:

- I read the original CSV file into R using the read_csv() function from the readr package.
- I used the pivot_longer() function from the tidyr package to reshape the data from a wide format to a long format. This involved gathering the columns for each destination into a single column, with a new column for the arrival time.
- I used the filter() and distinct() functions from the dplyr package to remove any missing or duplicated values from the data.

Analysis

To compare the arrival delays for the two airlines, I used several different analyses. Specifically, I used the following steps:

- I created a summary table that showed the total number of arrivals for each airline and destination.
- I created a summary table that showed the percentage of delayed arrivals for each airline and destination.
- I created a summary table that showed the average delay time for each airline and destination.
- I used the ggplot2 package to create several visualizations that compared the arrival delays for the two airlines. These included a bar chart of total arrivals, a bar chart of delayed arrivals, and a bar chart of average delay time.

Conclusions

Based on the analyses, it appears that Alaska has a higher delay percentage than Am West, but fewer total arrivals. Meanwhile, Am West has more total arrivals but a lower delay percentage. This suggests that Am West may have more efficient operations or better performance overall, while Alaska may be struggling to maintain on-time arrivals.