Data 607 - Project 2 - Data Transformation

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Introduction

This project includes work done to tidy three "messy" data sets that originated as CSV files. The sections below outline the steps required to clean these data sets, and then analyzes each of the resulting "clean" data frames to answer a specific research question. The three <code>.csv</code> files used, as well as a description of the data they include can be found below:

- 1. unclean_GDP_data.csv: Includes the GDP of most world countries from 1961-2021. Source (Provided in class discussion by Benjamin Ingbar)
- 2. unclean_student_data.csv: Includes the test results for a class of students over the course of three different school terms. Source (Provided in class discussion by Jhalak Das)
- 3. unclean_atmosphere_data.csv: Includes a number of measurements (i.e. pressure) regarding the air in our atmosphere at various heights above sea level. Source (Provided in class discussion by Neil Hodgkinson)

The data is also stored in the following Github location.

Import Data

The following cells import each of the .csv files listed above from the specified github location.

```
csv_data = getURL("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/williamzjasmine/CUNY_SPS_DS/master/DATA_607/Projec
gdp_df = read.csv(text = csv_data)
head(gdp_df)
```

##			<pre>iCountry.N</pre>	Name Country	.Code	Inc	licator	.Name	Indicator.Code
##	1	Aruba			ABW	GDP (current	US\$)	NY.GDP.MKTP.CD
##	2	Africa Eastern and Southern			AFE	GDP (current	US\$)	NY.GDP.MKTP.CD
##	3	Afghanistan			AFG	GDP (current	US\$)	NY.GDP.MKTP.CD
##	4	Africa Western and Central			AFW	GDP (current	US\$)	NY.GDP.MKTP.CD
##	5	Angola			AGO	GDP (current	US\$)	NY.GDP.MKTP.CD
##	6	Albania			ALB	GDP (current	US\$)	NY.GDP.MKTP.CD
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##	6	NA	NA	NA		NA	1	NA	NA NA
##		X1966	X1967	X1968		X1969)	X1970	X1971
##	1	NA	NA	NA		NA	1	NA	NA NA

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## 3 1399999967 1673333418 1373333367 1408888922 1748886596 1831108971
## 4 15832591204 14426038230 14880349280 16882092549 23504605476 20832817218
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## 4 566481000000 507044000000 591596000000 670983000000 727570000000 820793000000
## 5 88538610805 70307166934 81699556137 109437000000 124998000000 133402000000
## 6 12881353508 12044208086 11926922829 12890764531 12319830437 12776220507
```

```
##
            X2014
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## 1 2.791061e+09
                     2963128492
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                                                              3202234637
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## 2 1.003680e+12 924253000000 882355000000 1.020650e+12 991022000000 997534000000
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                                 11861199831 1.301969e+10 15156432310
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## 2 921646000000 1.082100e+12
      20116137326
## 4 784446000000 8.358080e+11
     53619071176 7.254699e+10
## 6 15131866271 1.826004e+10
csv_data = getURL("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/williamzjasmine/CUNY_SPS_DS/master/DATA_607/Projec
student_df = read.csv(text = csv_data)
head(student_df)
##
          name phone sex.and.age test.number term.1 term.2 term.3
                                                   76
## 1
      1
          Mike
                  134
                             m_12
                                                           84
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                                        test 1
## 2
      2
         Linda
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                             f_13
                                        test 1
                                                   88
                                                           90
                                                                  73
## 3
     3
           Sam
                  210
                             m_11
                                        test 1
                                                   78
                                                           74
                                                                  80
## 4
                             f_12
                                                           75
                                                                  74
     4 Esther
                  617
                                        test 1
                                                   68
## 5
      5
          Mary
                  114
                             f_14
                                                   65
                                                           67
                                                                  64
                                        test 1
## 6
     6
           Dan
                  114
                             f_14
                                        test 1
                                                   81
                                                           67
                                                                  90
csv_data = getURL("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/williamzjasmine/CUNY_SPS_DS/master/DATA_607/Projec
atmos_df = read.csv(text = csv_data)
head(atmos_df)
##
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                                           X.Alv.p02
                                                         X...sat.02 X.Alv.pC02
## 1 1
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                               Air=21%
                                         mmHg on air
                                                      >90% desired
                                                                      >35 best
## 2 2 Sea level
                          760
                                   159
                                                                 97
                                                 104
                                                                             40
## 3 3
          10k/3k
                          523
                                   110
                                                  67
                                                                 90
                                                                             36
## 4 4
        20k/6.1k
                          349
                                     73
                                                  40
                                                                 73
                                                                             24
## 5 5
        30k/9.1k
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## 6 6
         40k/12k
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## 3
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```

Looking above, it is clear that each of the .csv files were successfully imported, and the head of each is printed above. The three files have now been turned into three R dataframes: gdp_df, student_df, and atmos_df. The following sections will separately clean and analyze each of these dataframes.

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GDP Dataset

Cleaning the Data

The first step is to clean the column names so that its easier to access the required data for each subsequent cleaning step. The column names have a number of issues, which are listed below along with how they can be fixed:

- 1. The year columns all start with a X. This can be fixed by using a str_replace_all.
- 2. The categorical variable columns all have . characters (which replaced the spaces in the original .csv file). This can be fixed by using a str_replace_all.
- 3. The first column name i..Country.Name has a special character and can be fixed by just renaming the column completely to country_name.
- 4. The column names include capital letters, which can be fixed using the tolower() function.

Each of these fixes is performed in the code chunk below, and the commented numbers correspond to the where each of the above steps is performed.

```
new_col_names <-
  colnames(gdp_df) %>% #1
  str_replace_all("X", '') %>% #2
    str_replace_all('\\.', '_') %>% #3
    tolower() #4
new_col_names[1] <- 'country_name'

colnames(gdp_df) <- new_col_names
head(gdp_df, 1)</pre>
```

```
##
     country name country code
                                    indicator name indicator code 1960 1961 1962
## 1
            Aruba
                            ABW GDP (current US$) NY.GDP.MKTP.CD
                                                                           NA
     1963 1964 1965 1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975
                                                                          1976
                                                                                1977
##
## 1
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    1379888268
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                                                                      2008
                                                                                  2009
##
   1 2044134078 2254748603 2359776536 2469832402 2677653631 2843016760 2553631285
                                                          2014
##
           2010
                       2011
                                   2012
                                               2013
                                                                      2015
                                                                                  2016
## 1 2453631285 2637988827 2615083799 2727932961 2791061453 2963128492 2983798883
##
           2017
                       2018
                                   2019
                                               2020 2021
## 1 3092178771 3202234637 3310055866 2496648045
```

As is clear in the output above, the column names are all fixed.

Next step is to convert the numerous year columns into a single field (as opposed to each year having its own column). Completing this step means that the data will be in a more desirable long format, and can be easily accomplished using the pivot_longer function. This is done in the code chunk below:

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##
     country_name country_code indicator_name
                                                   indicator_code year
                                                                            gdp
##
     <chr>>
                   <chr>>
                                 <chr>
                                                   <chr>
                                                                   <chr> <dbl>
## 1 Aruba
                  ABW
                                GDP (current US$) NY.GDP.MKTP.CD 1960
                                                                             NΑ
## 2 Aruba
                   ABW
                                GDP (current US$) NY.GDP.MKTP.CD 1961
                                                                             NA
## 3 Aruba
                  ABW
                                GDP (current US$) NY.GDP.MKTP.CD 1962
                                                                             NΑ
## 4 Aruba
                   ABW
                                GDP (current US$) NY.GDP.MKTP.CD 1963
                                                                             NA
## 5 Aruba
                                GDP (current US$) NY.GDP.MKTP.CD 1964
                   ABW
                                                                             NA
## 6 Aruba
                   ABW
                                GDP (current US$) NY.GDP.MKTP.CD 1965
                                                                             NA
```

The pivot_longer specifies in the names_to column that the year columns are to be melted into a single field called year. The values in the cells are then also melted into a single field called gdp.

While the data now has the desired structure, it is clear from the output that there are a number of NA entries, representing years in which the GDP was not recorded for a given country. While it might make sense to replace these NA values with a string like "not recorded", we are unable to do so since that would mean two different datatypes would be stored in the same column, which is not possible.

There is however one last data cleaning step that is possible: the cells below print the unique values present in both the indicator_name and indicator_code columns:

```
print(unique(gdp_df$indicator_name))
## [1] "GDP (current US$)"
print(unique(gdp_df$indicator_code))
```

```
## [1] "NY.GDP.MKTP.CD"
```

As it is clear in the output above, each of the columns only one value, telling us that all of the measurements are GDP values measured in US dollars. Since all the measurements in the gdp column are of the same type and unit, these columns provide no additional information. As such, they are removed in the cell below.

```
gdp_df <-
  gdp_df %>% select(country_name, country_code, year, gdp)
head(gdp_df)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
##
     country_name country_code year
                                           gdp
##
     <chr>
                                  <chr> <dbl>
                    <chr>
## 1 Aruba
                    ABW
                                  1960
                                            NA
## 2 Aruba
                    ABW
                                  1961
                                            NA
## 3 Aruba
                    ABW
                                  1962
                                            NA
## 4 Aruba
                    ABW
                                  1963
                                            NΑ
## 5 Aruba
                    ABW
                                  1964
                                            NA
## 6 Aruba
                                            NA
                    ABW
                                  1965
```

The data frame above is now in its final form, and is ready to be analyzed.

Analysis

One possible research question we can now answer with the cleaned data is to determine the global trend in GDP year over year (both as total dollar amount and percent change).

The first step in doing so is to aggregate the global GDP by year for all countries. This is done below using a groupby and summarise function:

```
global_gdp_df <-
  gdp_df %>%
    filter(!is.na(gdp)) %>%
      group_by(year) %>%
        summarise(global_gdp = sum(gdp))
head(global_gdp_df)
## # A tibble: 6 x 2
     year global_gdp
##
     <chr>>
                <dbl>
## 1 1960
              9.50e12
## 2 1961
              9.76e12
## 3 1962
              1.04e13
## 4 1963
              1.12e13
## 5 1964
              1.23e13
```

The output above shows the newly createdglobal_gdp_df dataframe, which contains the global GDP each year in USD. The cell below adds to that dataframe the percent change in global GDP using the lag window function:

```
global_gdp_df <-
   global_gdp_df %>%
   mutate(percent_change = (global_gdp - lag(global_gdp)) / lag(global_gdp))
head(global_gdp_df)

## # A tibble: 6 x 3

## year global_gdp percent_change
## (dbl)
```

```
##
     <chr>>
                 <dbl>
                                 <dbl>
## 1 1960
              9.50e12
                               NA
## 2 1961
              9.76e12
                                0.0269
## 3 1962
              1.04e13
                                0.0660
## 4 1963
              1.12e13
                                0.0785
## 5 1964
              1.23e13
                                0.0983
## 6 1965
               1.35e13
                                0.0969
```

1.35e13

The code cell below checks to make sure that the calculation done above is correct but finding the percent change in global GDP from 1960 to 1961 and comparing it to the analogous percent_change value in the dataframe:

```
tmp = global_gdp_df$global_gdp
(tmp[2] - tmp[1]) / tmp[1] == global_gdp_df$percent_change[2]
```

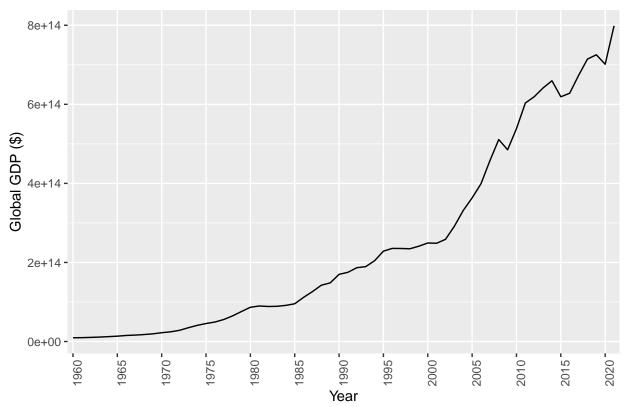
[1] TRUE

6 1965

The TRUE output above means that the percent change calculation worked correctly and that these values can now be plotted:

```
ggplot(data = global_gdp_df) +
  geom_line(mapping = aes(x = year, y = global_gdp, group=1)) +
  labs(
    x = "Year",
    y = 'Global GDP ($)',
    title = "Total Global GDP From 1960 - 2021",
    ) +
  scale_x_discrete(breaks=seq(1960, 2020, 5)) +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90))
```

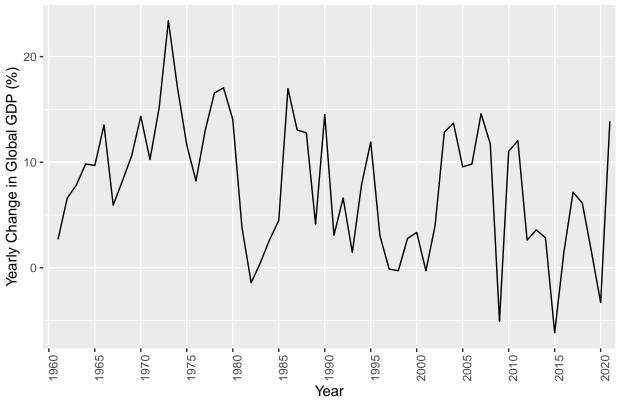
Total Global GDP From 1960 - 2021



```
ggplot(data = global_gdp_df) +
  geom_line(mapping = aes(x = year, y = percent_change * 100, group=1)) +
  labs(
    x = "Year",
    y = 'Yearly Change in Global GDP (%)',
    title = "Year Over Year Percent Change in GDP From 1961-2021 GDP",
  ) +
  scale_x_discrete(breaks=seq(1960, 2020, 5)) +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90))
```

Warning: Removed 1 row(s) containing missing values (geom_path).





In the above plots, we can make pinpoint the location of important global economic events. Most recently, we see the dips in global GDP (both value and percentage) in 2009 and 2020, due to the 2008 recession and Covid-19, respectively.

Student Dataset

Data Cleaning

The first step in cleaning the <code>student_df</code> dataframe is, once again, to clean the column names. For this dataframe, the only issue with the column names is that they contain . characters. The are removed below using the <code>str_replace_all</code> function.

```
new_col_names <-
  colnames(student_df) %>%
    str_replace_all("\\.", '_')

colnames(student_df) <- new_col_names
head(student_df, 1)</pre>
```

The next data cleaning steps are to:

1. Transform the sex_and_age column into two separate columns, one containing the student's gender, and the other containing their age.

2. Remove the word "test" from the values in the test_number field, given that we already know the numbers correspond to different tests thanks to the column name.

Both of these steps are completed below using a single mutate in tandem with the str_extract function:

```
id
          name phone term_1 term_2 term_3 gender age test_no
## 1
          Mike
                  134
                           76
                                           87
                                                       12
      1
                                   84
## 2
      2
                                           73
         Linda
                  270
                           88
                                   90
                                                    f
                                                       13
                                                                 1
## 3 3
            Sam
                           78
                                   74
                                           80
                                                       11
                  210
                                                                 1
## 4
     4 Esther
                  617
                           68
                                   75
                                           74
                                                   f
                                                       12
                                                                 1
## 5
      5
           Mary
                   114
                           65
                                   67
                                           64
                                                   f
                                                       14
                                                                 1
## 6
      6
                  114
                           81
                                   67
                                           90
                                                    f
                                                       14
                                                                 1
            Dan
```

The final step in this case, is to use the pivot_longer function to melt the "term" fields into a single column. This is done in the code chunk below:

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 8
##
        id name phone gender age
                                      test_no term
                                                      test_score
##
     <int> <chr> <int> <chr> <chr>
                                        <int> <chr>
                                                           <int>
## 1
                               12
         1 Mike
                    134 m
                                            1 term 1
                                                              76
## 2
         1 Mike
                    134 m
                               12
                                            1 term 2
                                                              84
## 3
         1 Mike
                                                              87
                    134 m
                               12
                                            1 term_3
## 4
         2 Linda
                   270 f
                               13
                                            1 term 1
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## 5
                                                              90
         2 Linda
                   270 f
                               13
                                            1 term 2
                                                              73
         2 Linda
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                                            1 term 3
```

Like with the original test_number column, we can remove the extraneous word "term" from the values in the term column:

```
student_df$term <- str_extract(student_df$term, '\\d')
head(student_df)</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 8
##
        id name phone gender age
                                      test no term test score
##
     <int> <chr> <int> <chr>
                                         <int> <chr>
                                <chr>>
                                                           <int>
## 1
         1 Mike
                    134 m
                                12
                                             1 1
                                                              76
                                12
## 2
         1 Mike
                    134 m
                                             1 2
                                                              84
                                                              87
## 3
         1 Mike
                    134 m
                                12
                                             1 3
## 4
         2 Linda
                    270 f
                                13
                                             1 1
                                                              88
## 5
         2 Linda
                    270 f
                                13
                                             1 2
                                                              90
                                                              73
         2 Linda
                    270 f
## 6
                                13
                                             1 3
```

The output represents the final dataframe, which is now ready to be analyzed.

Analysis

Given that the cleaned **student_df** dataframe contains information regarding students test scores for a number of different school terms, an interesting research task might be to check the normality of the distribution of the student's final letter grades after each term.

To do this, we first need to figure out each student's average test score after each term. This is done below using a group_by and summarise function:

```
avg test scores <-
  student_df %>%
   group_by(name, term) %>%
      summarise(avg_test_score = mean(test_score))
## `summarise()` has grouped output by 'name'. You can override using the
## `.groups` argument.
head(avg_test_scores)
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
## # Groups:
               name [2]
##
           term avg_test_score
     name
     <chr> <chr>
                           <dbl>
## 1 Dan
            1
                            84.5
## 2 Dan
            2
                            74
## 3 Dan
            3
                            89.5
## 4 Esther 1
                            69
## 5 Esther 2
                            75
## 6 Esther 3
                            76
```

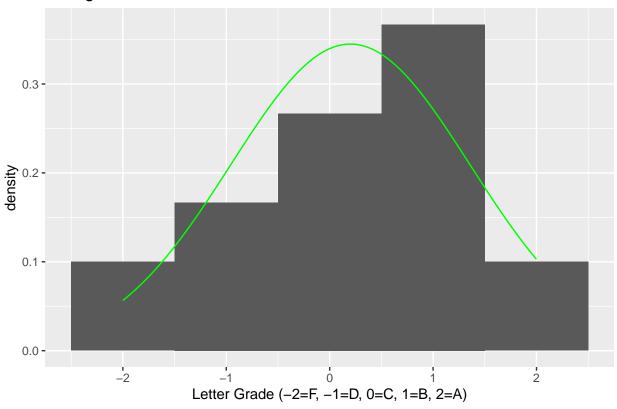
The following code uses an if statement to categorize the student's final grades as letter grades:

```
avg_test_scores <-</pre>
  avg_test_scores %>%
    mutate(
    letter_grade =
      ifelse(avg_test_score >= 90, 'A',
      ifelse(avg_test_score >= 80, 'B',
      ifelse(avg_test_score >= 70, 'C',
      ifelse(avg_test_score >= 65, 'D',
      'F')))),
    hist_grade =
      ifelse(avg test score >= 90, 2,
      ifelse(avg_test_score >= 80, 1,
      ifelse(avg_test_score >= 70, 0,
      ifelse(avg_test_score >= 65, -1,
      <del>-2</del>))))
    )
table(avg_test_scores$letter_grade)
```

```
## ## A B C D F
## 3 11 8 5 3
```

The output above prints the distributions of letter grades from all students after each term, but in order to get a better idea of whether or not the data is normal it is plotted below along with a normal distribution:

Histogram of Student Letter Grades After Each Term



Because a histogram requires numeric values to generate the bins, the %x% label defines the scale that was used to produce the graphic. These values were stored in the hist_grade column of the avg_test_scores dataframe, and it was the mean and standard deviation of this column that was used to create the normal curve seen in green. A quick visual analysis of this graphic does show that the data appears normal, but this assumption could definitely be made made more clear if we had more data.

Atmosphere Dataset

Cleaning Data

The cell below gives another look at the unclean atmoshpere_df dataframe:

head(atmos_df)

```
X
        Altitude X.Air.press
                                  X.pp02
                                             X.Alv.p02
                                                           X...sat.02 X.Alv.pC02
## 1 1
                                                         >90% desired
                                                                         >35 best
             Ft/m
                                Air=21%
                                          mmHg on air
                          mmHg
## 2 2 Sea level
                           760
                                     159
                                                   104
                                                                                40
## 3 3
           10k/3k
                           523
                                     110
                                                    67
                                                                    90
                                                                                36
## 4 4
        20k/6.1k
                           349
                                      73
                                                    40
                                                                    73
                                                                                24
                                      47
                                                                    24
                                                                                24
## 5 5
        30k/9.1k
                           226
                                                    18
                                      29
## 6 6
         40k/12k
                           141
                                                   NaN
                                                                   NaN
                                                                               NaN
##
     X.Alv.p02.with.02.100. X...sat.02_1 X.Alv.pC02_1
## 1
                                    100% 02
                           NA
                                                  100% 02
## 2
                          673
                                        100
                                                        40
## 3
                          436
                                        100
                                                        40
                          262
                                        100
                                                        40
## 4
## 5
                          139
                                         99
                                                        40
## 6
                           58
                                         84
                                                        36
```

The first step in this case is to remove the extraneous X index column of the dataframe, as R automatically indexes rows of a dataframe itself. This is done in the cell below:

```
atmos_df <- atmos_df %>%
  select(-X)
head(atmos_df)
```

##		Altitude	X.Air.press	X.pp02	X.Alv.pO2	Xsat.02	X.Alv.pCO2
##	1	Ft/m	mmHg	Air=21%	mmHg on air	>90% desired	>35 best
##	2	Sea level	760	159	104	97	40
##	3	10k/3k	523	110	67	90	36
##	4	20k/6.1k	349	73	40	73	24
##	5	30k/9.1k	226	47	18	24	24
##	6	40k/12k	141	29	NaN	NaN	NaN
##		X.Alv.p02	.with.02.100.	Xsat.	02_1 X.Alv.p0	CO2_1	
##	1		NA	100	0% 02 100	0% 02	
##	2		673		100	40	
##	3		436		100	40	
##	4		262		100	40	
##	5		139		99	40	
##	6		58		84	36	

Our next step is to once again clean the column names of the atmos_df dataframe. There are a number of cleaning steps that need to be performed, each of which is listed below:

- 1. Remove the X characters from the column names.
- 2. Remove the . characters in front of the column names.
- 3. Replace the . characters inside the column names with _ characters.

Each of these steps is performed below, and is labeled via a comment in the code:

```
new_col_names <-
  colnames(atmos_df) %>%
  str_replace_all('X', "") %>% #1
   str_replace_all('^\\.*', '') %>% #2
   str_replace_all('\\.', '_') %>% #3
   tolower()

colnames(atmos_df) <- new_col_names
head(atmos_df)</pre>
```

##		altitude	air_press	ppo2	alv_po2	sat_o2	alv_pco2
##	1	Ft/m	mmHg	Air=21%	mmHg on air	>90% desired	>35 best
##	2	Sea level	760	159	104	97	40
##	3	10k/3k	523	110	67	90	36
##	4	20k/6.1k	349	73	40	73	24
##	5	30k/9.1k	226	47	18	24	24
##	6	40k/12k	141	29	NaN	NaN	NaN
##		alv_po2_w	ith_o2_100_	sat_o2_1	alv_pco2_1		
##	1		NA	100% 02	100% 02		
##	2		673	100	40		
##	3		436	100	40		
##	4		262	100	40		
##	5		139	99	40		
##	6		58	84	36		

The next data cleaning step involves removing the first row of the dataframe: inspecting this row in the output above reveals that this row just contains notes on what the measurements are in each column. Because it doesn't have any measurements itself, it should be removed. However, in order for the information in the row to still be accessible, it is saved in the field_info dataframe before it is deleted from atmos_df.

```
field_info <- atmos_df[1,]
atmos_df <- atmos_df[-1,]
rownames(atmos_df) <- NULL
head(atmos_df)</pre>
```

```
##
      altitude air_press ppo2 alv_po2 sat_o2 alv_pco2 alv_po2_with_o2_100_
## 1 Sea level
                       760
                            159
                                      104
                                               97
                                                         40
                                                                               673
## 2
        10k/3k
                       523
                             110
                                       67
                                               90
                                                         36
                                                                               436
                                                         24
## 3
      20k/6.1k
                       349
                              73
                                       40
                                              73
                                                                               262
      30k/9.1k
                       226
                              47
                                              24
                                                        24
                                                                               139
## 4
                                       18
## 5
       40k/12k
                       141
                              29
                                      NaN
                                             NaN
                                                       NaN
                                                                                58
## 6 50k/15.2k
                        87
                              18
                                      NaN
                                             NaN
                                                       NaN
                                                                                16
     sat_o2_1 alv_pco2_1
##
## 1
           100
                        40
## 2
           100
                        40
## 3
           100
                        40
            99
                        40
## 5
            84
                        36
                        24
            15
```

The next step is to clean the altitude column, as this represents the single "categorical" variable we will use for the final dataframe. Upon inspection of the values in this column, there are a number of data cleaning steps that need to be performed:

- 1. The "Sea Level" value should be replaced with 0.
- 2. The feet and meter measurements need to be separated into their own separate columns.
- 3. Each value needs to be multiplied by 1,000, as indicated by the k characters.

Steps 2 and 3 are performed below using a mutate in tandem with a combination of str_extract and str_replace functions.

```
atmos_df <-
atmos_df %>%
  mutate(
    altitude_ft = strtoi(str_extract(altitude, '\\d\\d')) * 1000,
    altitude_m = str_extract(altitude, '\\/(\\d\\d?\\.?\\d?k)') %>%
    str_replace('k', '') %>%
```

```
##
     altitude_ft altitude_m
                                altitude air_press ppo2 alv_po2 sat_o2 alv_pco2
## 1
               NA
                            NA Sea level
                                                 760
                                                       159
                                                                104
                                                                         97
                                                                                    40
## 2
            10000
                          3000
                                   10k/3k
                                                 523
                                                       110
                                                                 67
                                                                         90
                                                                                    36
## 3
            20000
                          6100
                                20k/6.1k
                                                        73
                                                                 40
                                                                         73
                                                                                    24
                                                 349
## 4
            30000
                          9100
                                30k/9.1k
                                                 226
                                                        47
                                                                 18
                                                                         24
                                                                                   24
## 5
            40000
                         12000
                                 40k/12k
                                                 141
                                                        29
                                                                NaN
                                                                        NaN
                                                                                  NaN
## 6
            50000
                         15200 50k/15.2k
                                                   87
                                                        18
                                                                NaN
                                                                        NaN
                                                                                  NaN
##
     alv_po2_with_o2_100_ sat_o2_1 alv_pco2_1
## 1
                         673
## 2
                                   100
                                                40
                         436
## 3
                         262
                                   100
                                                40
## 4
                         139
                                    99
                                                40
## 5
                          58
                                    84
                                                36
## 6
                          16
                                                24
                                    15
```

We can see now that the altitude_ft and altitude_m fields have been created, and that they are now numeric fields as opposed to a single character field. Finally, the cell below uses the replace_na function to fill the single NA value in these columns with 0 (sea level elevation). It also removes the old altitude column, as it is no longer required.

```
atmos_df$altitude_ft <- replace_na(atmos_df$altitude_ft, 0)
atmos_df$altitude_m <-replace_na(atmos_df$altitude_m, 0)
atmos_df <- select(atmos_df, -altitude)
atmos_df</pre>
```

```
##
     altitude_ft altitude_m air_press ppo2 alv_po2 sat_o2 alv_pco2
## 1
                 0
                             0
                                       760
                                            159
                                                      104
                                                               97
                                                                         40
## 2
            10000
                                                               90
                          3000
                                       523
                                            110
                                                       67
                                                                         36
## 3
            20000
                          6100
                                       349
                                              73
                                                       40
                                                               73
                                                                         24
## 4
            30000
                          9100
                                       226
                                              47
                                                       18
                                                               24
                                                                         24
## 5
            40000
                                       141
                                              29
                         12000
                                                      NaN
                                                              NaN
                                                                        NaN
## 6
            50000
                         15200
                                        87
                                              18
                                                      NaN
                                                              NaN
                                                                        NaN
##
     alv_po2_with_o2_100_ sat_o2_1 alv_pco2_1
## 1
                         673
                                   100
                                                 40
## 2
                         436
                                    100
                                                 40
## 3
                         262
                                    100
                                                 40
## 4
                         139
                                    99
                                                 40
## 5
                          58
                                                 36
                                    84
## 6
                          16
                                                 24
                                    15
```

The next step is to change the data types of the remaining character columns, as they are all actually numerical measurement values. While all the values seen above are technically integers, the types of measurements being taken are taken on a continuous scale. As such, these fields are all converted to a numeric type so that

any future measurements that might be added will be able to have decimal point values.

```
atmos_df <-atmos_df %>%
  mutate_if(is.character, as.numeric) %>%
  mutate_if(is.integer, as.numeric)
head(atmos_df)
```

```
##
     altitude_ft altitude_m air_press ppo2 alv_po2 sat_o2 alv_pco2
## 1
                                       760
                                             159
                                                      104
                                                                97
                 0
                              0
                                                                          40
## 2
                          3000
                                                                90
            10000
                                       523
                                             110
                                                       67
                                                                          36
            20000
                                                                73
                                                                          24
## 3
                          6100
                                       349
                                              73
                                                       40
## 4
            30000
                          9100
                                       226
                                              47
                                                       18
                                                                24
                                                                          24
## 5
            40000
                         12000
                                       141
                                              29
                                                      NaN
                                                              \mathtt{NaN}
                                                                         NaN
## 6
            50000
                         15200
                                        87
                                              18
                                                      NaN
                                                              NaN
                                                                         NaN
##
     alv_po2_with_o2_100_ sat_o2_1 alv_pco2_1
## 1
                         673
                                    100
                                                  40
## 2
                         436
                                    100
                                                  40
## 3
                         262
                                    100
                                                  40
## 4
                         139
                                     99
                                                  40
## 5
                          58
                                     84
                                                  36
## 6
                          16
                                     15
                                                  24
```

Now that all the measurement columns have been converted to numeric fields, we can complete the final data cleaning step: converting the dataframe into a long format. In this case, the altitude values represent our "categorical" fields, as each atmospheric measurement was taken at every one of the included heights. The remaining measurement fields are then all melted into a single measurement_type field, with the actual measurements being stored in a measurement column. This is done below using the pivot_longer function:

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
##
     altitude_ft altitude_m measurement_type
                                                     measurement
##
            <dbl>
                        <dbl> <chr>
                                                            <dbl>
## 1
                0
                            0 air_press
                                                              760
## 2
                0
                                                              159
                            0 ppo2
## 3
                0
                            0 alv po2
                                                               104
## 4
                0
                            0 sat_o2
                                                               97
## 5
                0
                            0 alv_pco2
                                                               40
## 6
                                                              673
                            0 alv_po2_with_o2_100_
```

The output above represents our final dataframe. The benefit of having the data in this format is that now different measurements can now be easily added as rows. This includes measurements of fields that already exist in the measurement_type column, but it is also easy to add a completely new measurement type without having to create a completely new field.

Analysis

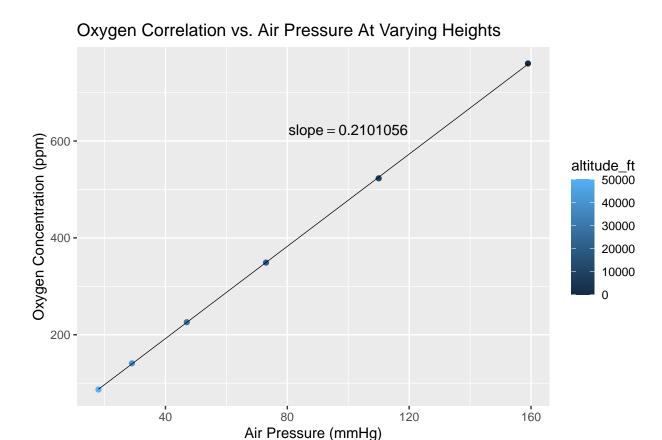
One interesting research question for this data might be to see the correlation between air pressure and the air pressure due to oxygen (ppo2 in the dataframe) as we go higher and higher up into the sky. To do this, we can look at a scatter plot of this data. First, the cell below gathers the required information:

```
plt_df <-
   atmos_df %>%
    filter(measurement_type == 'air_press' | measurement_type == 'ppo2') %>%
        pivot_wider(names_from = measurement_type, values_from = measurement)
head(plt_df)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
    altitude_ft altitude_m air_press ppo2
##
           <dbl>
                      <dbl>
                                <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
              0
                                   760
                                         159
## 2
           10000
                       3000
                                   523
                                         110
## 3
           20000
                       6100
                                   349
                                         73
## 4
           30000
                       9100
                                   226
                                          47
## 5
           40000
                      12000
                                   141
                                          29
## 6
           50000
                      15200
                                    87
                                          18
```

Next, the cell below plots air pressure as a function of oxygen concentration:

`geom_smooth()` using formula 'y ~ x'



It is clear in the plot above that there is an almost perfect correlation between the total air pressure and the air pressure due to oxygen as altitude increases. The fact that they are so perfectly correlated indicates that the concentration of oxygen does not change as altitude increases, which is consistent with what we know about our atmosphere. This also means that the slope of the line (which represents oxygen air pressure divided by total air pressure) should give the concentration of oxygen in our atmosphere. This is confirmed by the fact that the slope of the line is about 0.21, which is almost the exact proportion of oxygen atoms in our atmosphere.

Conclusion

The work done above gives three examples of how unclean data sets can be tidied in order to answer hypothetical research questions. While the specifics involved in cleaning and analyzing each data set were different, it is important to note that many of the steps were similar, and the process in general is pretty much the same. These examples help to highlight that data cleaning is an essential part of any data science process.