

# Module 8

## Data Cleaning

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# Data

- We will be using multiple data sets in this lecture:
  - Salary, Monument, Circulator, and Restaurant from OpenBaltimore:  
<https://data.baltimorecity.gov/browse?limitTo=datasets>
  - Gap Minder - very interesting way of viewing longitudinal data
    - Data is here - <http://www.gapminder.org/data/>
  - [http://spreadsheets.google.com/pub?key=rMsQHawTObBb6\\_U2ESjKXYw&output=xls](http://spreadsheets.google.com/pub?key=rMsQHawTObBb6_U2ESjKXYw&output=xls)

# Data Cleaning

In general, data cleaning is a process of investigating your data for inaccuracies, or recoding it in a way that makes it more manageable.

MOST IMPORTANT RULE - LOOK AT YOUR DATA!

Again - `table`, `summarize`, `is.na`, `any`, `all` are useful.

# Data Cleaning

```
> table(c(0, 1, 2, 3, NA, 3, 3, 2,2, 3), useNA="ifany")
```

0	1	2	3	<NA>
1	1	3	4	1

```
> table(c(0, 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 3, 2,2, 3), useNA="always")
```

0	1	2	3	<NA>
1	1	4	4	0

```
> tab <- table(c(0, 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 3, 2,2, 3), c(0, 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 3),  
+             useNA="always")  
> margin.table(tab, 2)
```

0	1	2	3	4	<NA>
1	1	2	4	2	0

```
> prop.table(tab)
```

```
      0  1  2  3  4 <NA>  
0  0.1 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0  
1  0.0 0.1 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0  
2  0.0 0.0 0.2 0.0 0.2 0.0  
3  0.0 0.0 0.0 0.4 0.0 0.0  
<NA> 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0
```

```
> prop.table(tab,1)
```

```
      0  1  2  3  4 <NA>  
0  1.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0  
1  0.0 1.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0  
2  0.0 0.0 0.5 0.0 0.5 0.0  
3  0.0 0.0 0.0 1.0 0.0 0.0  
<NA>
```

# Download Salary FY2012 Data

<https://data.baltimorecity.gov/Financial/Baltimore-City-Employee-Salaries-FY2012/7ymi-bvp3>

Download as a CSV and then read it into R as the variable `Sal`

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Download as a CSV and then read it into R as the variable `Sal`

```
> Sal = read.csv("data/Baltimore_City_Employee_Salaries_FY2012.csv", as.is=TRUE)
> colnames(Sal)[1] = "Name" # make uppercase
```

# Data Cleaning

- `any()` - checks if there are any TRUES
- `all()` - checks if ALL are true

```
> Sal[1:4,]
```

	Name	JobTitle	AgencyID
1	Aaron,Patricia G	Facilities/Office Services II	A03031
2	Aaron,Petra L	ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY	A29005
3	Abaineh,Yohannes T	EPIDEMIOLOGIST	A65026
4	Abdal-Rahim,Naim A	EMT FIREFIGHTER	A64215

  

	Agency	HireDate	AnnualSalary	GrossPay
1	OED-Employment Dev	10/24/1979	\$51862.00	\$52247.39
2	States Attorneys Office	09/25/2006	\$64000.00	\$59026.81
3	HLTH-Health Department	07/23/2009	\$57900.00	\$57129.79
4	Fire Department	03/30/2011	\$34146.00	\$35537.88

```
> any(is.na(Sal$Name))
```

```
[1] FALSE
```



# Example of Cleaning:

For example, let's say gender was coded as Male, M, m, Female, F, f. Using Excel to find all of these would be a matter of filtering and changing all by hand or using if statements.

In R, you can simply do something like:

```
data$gender[data$gender %in% c("Male", "M", "m")] <- "Male"
```

Sometimes though, it's not so simple. That's where functions that find patterns come in very useful.

```
> table(gender)
```

```
gender
  F FeMAle FEMALE   Fm   M   Ma  mAle  Male  MaLe  MALE
75   82   74   89   89   79   87   89   88   95
Man  Woman
73   80
```

# Find/Replace and Regular Expressions

- R can do much more than find exact matches for a whole string
- Like Perl and other languages, it can use regular expressions.
- What are regular expressions?
- Ways to search for specific strings
- Can be very complicated or simple
- Highly Useful

# 'Find' functions

`grep`: `grep`, `grepl`, `regexpr` and `gregexpr` search for matches to argument pattern within each element of a character vector: they differ in the format of and amount of detail in the results.

`grep(pattern, x, fixed=FALSE)`, where:

- `pattern` = character string containing a regular expression to be matched in the given character vector.
- `x` = a character vector where matches are sought, or an object which can be coerced by `as.character` to a character vector.
- If `fixed=TRUE`, it will do exact matching for the phrase anywhere in the vector (regular find)

```
> grep("Rawlings",Sal$Name) # These are the indices/elements where the pattern match occurs
```

```
[1] 11755 11756 11757 11758
```

`grep()` returns something similar to `which()` on a logical statement

```
> grep("Rawlings",Sal$Name)
```

```
[1] 11755 11756 11757 11758
```

```
> grep("Rawlings",Sal$Name,value=TRUE)
```

```
[1] "Rawlings Jr,Anthony H" "Rawlings,Kellye A"      "Rawlings,Paula M"  
[4] "Rawlings,Stephanie C"
```

```
> Sal[grep("Rawlings",Sal$Name),]
```

	Name	JobTitle	AgencyID		
11755	Rawlings Jr,Anthony H	AIDE BLUE CHIP	W02712		
11756	Rawlings,Kellye A	EMERGENCY DISPATCHER	A99372		
11757	Rawlings,Paula M	COMMUNITY AIDE	A04015		
11758	Rawlings,Stephanie C	MAYOR	A01001		
	Agency	HireDate	AnnualSalary	GrossPay	
11755	Youth Summer	06/07/2011	\$1 \$1		
11756	Police Department	01/06/2003	\$4 \$5		
11757	R&P-Recreation	12/10/2007	\$1 \$9		
11758	Mayors Office	12/07/1995	\$1 \$1		

# Grep Options

```
> head(grep("Tajhgh", Sal$Name, value=TRUE))
```

```
[1] "Reynold,Tajhgh J"
```

```
> grep("Jaffe", Sal$Name)
```

```
integer(0)
```

```
> length(grep("Jaffe", Sal$Name))
```

```
[1] 0
```

# A bit on Regular Expressions

- <http://www.regular-expressions.info/reference.html>
- They can use to match a large number of strings in one statement
- `.` matches any single character
- `*` means repeat as many (even if 0) more times the last character
- `?` makes the last thing optional

# Using Regular Expressions

- Look for any name that starts with:
  - Payne at the beginning,
  - Leonard and then an S
  - Spence then a capital C

```
> grep("Payne.*", x=Sal$Name, value=TRUE)
```

```
[1] "Payne,Brittany N"      "Payne-Cooke,Shelley F"  
[3] "Payne,Denise I"       "Payne El,Jackie"  
[5] "Payne,Gary W"         "Payne,James D"  
[7] "Payne,James R"        "Payne,Jasman T"  
[9] "Payne Johnson,Nickole A" "Payne,Jordan A"  
[11] "Payne,Karen V"        "Payne,Leonard S"  
[13] "Payne,Mary A"         "Payne,Micah W"  
[15] "Payne,Michael N"      "Payne,Walter"  
[17] "Ray Payne,Marion J"
```

```
> grep("Leonard.?S", x=Sal$Name, value=TRUE)
```

```
[1] "Payne,Leonard S"      "Szumlanski,Leonard S"
```

```
> grep("Spence.*C.*", x=Sal$Name, value=TRUE)
```

```
[1] "Spence Jr,Leonard C" "Spencer,Charles A"  "Spencer,Clarence W"  
[4] "Spencer,Michael C"
```



# Replace

Let's say we wanted to sort the data set by Annual Salary:

```
> class(Sal$AnnualSalary)
```

```
[1] "character"
```

```
> sort(c("1", "2", "10")) # not sort correctly (order simply ranks the data)
```

```
[1] "1" "10" "2"
```

```
> order(c("1", "2", "10"))
```

```
[1] 1 3 2
```

# Replace

So we must change the annual pay into a numeric:

```
> head(as.numeric(Sal$AnnualSalary), 4)
```

```
[1] NA NA NA NA
```

R didn't like the \$ so it thought turned them all to **NA**.

**sub()** and **gsub()** can do the replacing part.

# Replacing and subbing

Now we can replace the `$` with nothing (used `fixed=TRUE` because `$` means something in regular expressions):

```
> Sal$AnnualSalary <- as.numeric(gsub(pattern="$", replacement="",
+                               Sal$AnnualSalary, fixed=TRUE))
> Sal <- Sal[order(Sal$AnnualSalary,decreasing=TRUE), ] # use negative to sort descending
> Sal[1:5, c("Name", "AnnualSalary", "JobTitle")]
```

	Name	AnnualSalary	JobTitle
1012	Bernstein, Gregg L	238772	STATE'S ATTORNEY
844	Bealefeld III, Frederick H	197700	EXECUTIVE LEVEL III
1120	Black, Harry E	180000	EXECUTIVE LEVEL III
12510	Sanchez, Alexander M	175000	EXECUTIVE LEVEL III
677	Barbot, Oxiris	170000	EXECUTIVE LEVEL III

# Useful String Functions

## Useful String functions

- `toupper()`, `tolower()` - uppercase or lowercase your data:
- `str_trim()` (in the `stringr` package) - will trim whitespace
- `nchar` - get the number of characters in a string
- `substr(x, start, stop)` - substrings from position start to position stop
- `strsplit(x, split)` - splits strings up - returns list!
- `paste()` - paste strings together - look at `?paste`

# Paste

Paste can be very useful for joining vectors together:

```
> paste("Visit", 1:5, sep="_")
```

```
[1] "Visit_1" "Visit_2" "Visit_3" "Visit_4" "Visit_5"
```

```
> paste("Visit", 1:5, sep="_", collapse=" ")
```

```
[1] "Visit_1 Visit_2 Visit_3 Visit_4 Visit_5"
```

```
> paste("To", "is going be the ", "we go to the store!", sep="day ")
```

```
[1] "Today is going be the day we go to the store!"
```

```
> # and paste0 can be even simpler see ?paste0  
> paste0("Visit",1:5)
```

```
[1] "Visit1" "Visit2" "Visit3" "Visit4" "Visit5"
```

```
> paste(1:5, letters[1:5], sep="_")
```

```
[1] "1_a" "2_b" "3_c" "4_d" "5_e"
```

```
> paste(6:10, 11:15, 2000:2005, sep="/")
```

```
[1] "6/11/2000" "7/12/2001" "8/13/2002" "9/14/2003" "10/15/2004"  
[6] "6/11/2005"
```

```
> paste(paste("x", 1:5, sep=""), collapse="+")
```

```
[1] "x1+x2+x3+x4+x5"
```

# Strsplit

```
> x <- c("I really", "like writing", "R code")  
> y <- strsplit(x, split=" ")  
> y[[2]]
```

```
[1] "like"    "writing"
```

```
> sapply(y, "[", 1) # on the fly
```

```
[1] "I"      "like" "R"
```

```
> sapply(y, "[", 2) # on the fly
```

```
[1] "really" "writing" "code"
```

# Data Merging/Append

- Merging - joining data sets together - usually on key variables, usually "id"
- `merge()` is the most common way to do this with data sets
- `rbind/cbind` - row/column bind, respectively
  - `rbind` is the equivalent of "appending" in Stata or "setting" in SAS
  - `cbind` allows you to add columns in addition to the previous ways
- `reshape2` package also has a lot of information about different ways to reshape data (wide to long, etc) - but has a different (and sometimes more intuitive syntax)
- `t()` is a function that will transpose the data



# Merging

```
> base <- data.frame(id=1:10, Age= seq(55,60, length=10))  
> base[1:2,]
```

```
  id  Age  
1  1 55.00  
2  2 55.56
```

```
> visits <- data.frame(id=rep(1:8, 3), visit= rep(1:3, 8), Outcome= seq(10,50, length=24))  
> visits[1:2,]
```

```
  id visit Outcome  
1  1     1   10.00  
2  2     2   11.74
```

```
> merged.data <- merge(base, visits, by="id")  
> merged.data[1:5,]
```

	<b>id</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>visit</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
1	1	55.00	1	10.00
2	1	55.00	3	23.91
3	1	55.00	2	37.83
4	2	55.56	2	11.74
5	2	55.56	1	25.65

```
> dim(merged.data)
```

```
[1] 24 4
```

```
> all.data <- merge(base, visits, by="id", all=TRUE)
> tail(all.data)
```

	id	Age	visit	Outcome
21	7	58.33	2	48.26
22	8	58.89	2	22.17
23	8	58.89	1	36.09
24	8	58.89	3	50.00
25	9	59.44	NA	NA
26	10	60.00	NA	NA

```
> dim(all.data)
```

```
[1] 26 4
```

# Aside: Dates

You can convert date-like strings in the `Date` class (<http://www.statmethods.net/input/dates.html> for more info)

```
> circ = read.csv("data/Charm_City_Circulator_Ridership.csv", as.is=TRUE)
> head(sort(circ$date))
```

```
[1] "01/01/2011" "01/01/2012" "01/01/2013" "01/02/2011" "01/02/2012"
[6] "01/02/2013"
```

```
> circ$date <- as.Date(circ$date, "%m/%d/%Y") # creating a date for sorting
> head(circ$date)
```

```
[1] "2010-01-11" "2010-01-12" "2010-01-13" "2010-01-14" "2010-01-15"
[6] "2010-01-16"
```

```
> head(sort(circ$date))
```

```
[1] "2010-01-11" "2010-01-12" "2010-01-13" "2010-01-14" "2010-01-15"
[6] "2010-01-16"
```

# Data Reshaping

Disclaimer: the `reshape` command in R is not remarkably intuitive.

- Wide - multiple measurements are variables / columns so that the data gets wider with more measurements
- Long - multiple measurements are rows so data gets longer with more measurements
- One example would be many ids with multiple visits

# Example of Long/Wide

```
> head(wide)
```

```
  id visit1 visit2 visit3  
1  1   Good   Good   Bad
```

```
> head(long)
```

```
  id visit Outcome  
1  1     1   Good  
2  1     2   Good  
3  1     3   Bad
```

# Data Reshaping

- Good resource: <http://www.ats.ucla.edu/stat/r/faq/reshape.htm>

```
> head(Indometh) # this is long
```

```
Subject time conc  
1      1 0.25 1.50  
2      1 0.50 0.94  
3      1 0.75 0.78  
4      1 1.00 0.48  
5      1 1.25 0.37  
6      1 2.00 0.19
```

# Data Reshaping

```
> wide <- reshape(Indometh, v.names = "conc", idvar = "Subject",  
+                 timevar = "time", direction = "wide")  
> head(wide)
```

	Subject	conc.0.25	conc.0.5	conc.0.75	conc.1	conc.1.25	conc.2	conc.3
1	1	1.50	0.94	0.78	0.48	0.37	0.19	0.12
12	2	2.03	1.63	0.71	0.70	0.64	0.36	0.32
23	3	2.72	1.49	1.16	0.80	0.80	0.39	0.22
34	4	1.85	1.39	1.02	0.89	0.59	0.40	0.16
45	5	2.05	1.04	0.81	0.39	0.30	0.23	0.13
56	6	2.31	1.44	1.03	0.84	0.64	0.42	0.24
	conc.4	conc.5	conc.6	conc.8				
1	0.11	0.08	0.07	0.05				
12	0.20	0.25	0.12	0.08				
23	0.12	0.11	0.08	0.08				
34	0.11	0.10	0.07	0.07				
45	0.11	0.08	0.10	0.06				
56	0.17	0.13	0.10	0.09				



# Data Reshaping

```
> dim(Indometh)
```

```
[1] 66 3
```

```
> wide
```

	Subject	conc.0.25	conc.0.5	conc.0.75	conc.1	conc.1.25	conc.2	conc.3
1	1	1.50	0.94	0.78	0.48	0.37	0.19	0.12
12	2	2.03	1.63	0.71	0.70	0.64	0.36	0.32
23	3	2.72	1.49	1.16	0.80	0.80	0.39	0.22
34	4	1.85	1.39	1.02	0.89	0.59	0.40	0.16
45	5	2.05	1.04	0.81	0.39	0.30	0.23	0.13
56	6	2.31	1.44	1.03	0.84	0.64	0.42	0.24
	conc.4	conc.5	conc.6	conc.8				
1	0.11	0.08	0.07	0.05				
12	0.20	0.25	0.12	0.08				
23	0.12	0.11	0.08	0.08				
34	0.11	0.10	0.07	0.07				
45	0.11	0.08	0.10	0.06				
56	0.17	0.13	0.10	0.09				

# Data Reshaping

- If you've reshaped a data set - to get it back, just reshape it again

```
> reshape(wide, direction = "long")[1:10,]
```

	Subject	time	conc
1.0.25	1	0.25	1.50
2.0.25	2	0.25	2.03
3.0.25	3	0.25	2.72
4.0.25	4	0.25	1.85
5.0.25	5	0.25	2.05
6.0.25	6	0.25	2.31
1.0.5	1	0.50	0.94
2.0.5	2	0.50	1.63
3.0.5	3	0.50	1.49
4.0.5	4	0.50	1.39

Note the row name change

# Data Reshaping - A Better Example

```
> TB <- read.xlsx(file="data/indicator_estimatedincidencealltbper100000.xlsx",  
+                sheetName="Data")  
> head(TB, 1)
```

```
  TB.incidence..all.forms..per.population.per.year. X1990 X1991  
1                Afghanistan    168    168  
  X1992 X1993 X1994 X1995 X1996 X1997 X1998 X1999 X2000 X2001 X2002 X2003  
1    168    168    168    168    168    168    168    168    168    168    168  
  X2004 X2005 X2006 X2007 NA.  
1    168    168    168    168    NA
```

```
> TB$NA. <- NULL  
> head(TB, 1)
```

```
  TB.incidence..all.forms..per.population.per.year. X1990 X1991  
1                Afghanistan    168    168  
  X1992 X1993 X1994 X1995 X1996 X1997 X1998 X1999 X2000 X2001 X2002 X2003  
1    168    168    168    168    168    168    168    168    168    168    168  
  X2004 X2005 X2006 X2007  
1    168    168    168    168
```

# Data Reshaping - A Better Example

```
> colnames(TB) <- c("Country", paste("Year", 1990:2007, sep="."))  
> head(TB, 1)
```

```
      Country Year.1990 Year.1991 Year.1992 Year.1993 Year.1994 Year.1995  
1 Afghanistan      168      168      168      168      168      168  
  Year.1996 Year.1997 Year.1998 Year.1999 Year.2000 Year.2001 Year.2002  
1      168      168      168      168      168      168      168  
  Year.2003 Year.2004 Year.2005 Year.2006 Year.2007  
1      168      168      168      168      168
```

# Data Reshaping - More is better!

```
> TB.long <- reshape(TB, idvar="Country", v.names="Cases", times=1990:2007,  
+                    direction="long", timevar="Year",  
+                    varying = paste("Year", 1990:2007, sep="."))  
>  
> head(TB.long, 4)
```

```
                Country Year Cases  
Afghanistan.1990  Afghanistan 1990  168  
Albania.1990      Albania 1990    25  
Algeria.1990      Algeria 1990    38  
American Samoa.1990 American Samoa 1990  21
```

```
> rownames(TB.long) <- NULL  
> head(TB.long, 4)
```

```
                Country Year Cases  
1  Afghanistan 1990  168  
2   Albania 1990   25  
3   Algeria 1990   38  
4 American Samoa 1990  21
```