

ETC5521: Exploratory Data Analysis

Exploring data having a space and time context

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Outline

- temporal missing values: time series models require that there is a value for each time step

Working with missings

```
set.seed(328)
harvest <- tsibble(</pre>
 year = c(2010, 2011, 2013, 2011,
          2012, 2013),
 fruit = rep(c("kiwi", "cherry"),
             each = 3),
 kilo = sample(1:10, size = 6),
 key = fruit, index = year
harvest
## # A tsibble: 6 x 3 [1Y]
## # Key: fruit [2]
## year fruit kilo
## <dbl> <chr> <int>
## 1 2011 cherry
## 2 2012 cherry
## 3 2013 cherry
## 4 2010 kiwi
## 5 2011 kiwi
## 6 2013 kiwi
```

```
has_gaps(harvest, .full = TRUE)

## # A tibble: 2 × 2

## fruit .gaps

## <chr> <lgl>
## 1 cherry TRUE

## 2 kiwi TRUE
```

Both levels of the key have missings.

Can you see the gaps in time?

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 kilo = sample(1:10, size = 6),
 key = fruit, index = year
harvest
## # A tsibble: 6 x 3 [1Y]
## # Key:
         fruit [2]
   year fruit
                  kilo
   <dbl> <chr> <int>
## 1 2011 cherry
## 2 2012 cherry
     2013 cherry
     2010 kiwi
## 5 2011 kiwi
## 6 2013 kiwi
```

```
count_gaps(harvest, .full=TRUE)

## # A tibble: 2 × 4

## fruit .from .to .n

## <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <int>
## 1 cherry 2010 2010 1

## 2 kiwi 2012 2012 1
```

One missing in each level, although it is a different year.

Notice how tsibble handles this summary so neatly.

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## # Key: fruit [2]
  year fruit kilo
## <dbl> <chr> <int>
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## 2 2012 cherry
## 3 2013 cherry
## 4 2010 kiwi
## 5 2011 kiwi
## 6 2013 kiwi
```

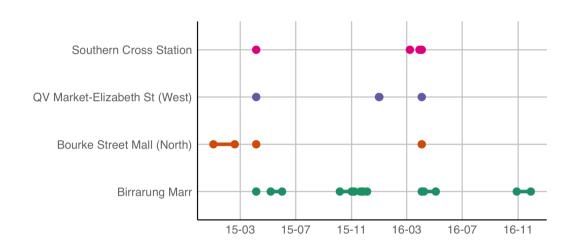
Make the implicit missing values explicit.

```
harvest <- fill_gaps(harvest,
                    .full=TRUE)
harvest
## # A tsibble: 8 x 3 [1Y]
## # Key: fruit [2]
## year fruit kilo
## <dbl> <chr> <int>
## 1 2010 cherry
## 2 2011 cherry
## 3 2012 cherry
## 4 2013 cherry
## 5 2010 kiwi
## 6 2011 kiwi
## 7 2012 kiwi
                   NA
## 8 2013 kiwi
```

```
harvest nomiss <- harvest %>%
  group_by(fruit) %>%
 mutate(kilo =
          na_interpolation(kilo)) %>%
  ungroup()
harvest_nomiss
## # A tsibble: 8 x 3 [1Y]
## # Key: fruit [2]
## year fruit kilo
## <dbl> <chr> <dbl>
## 1 2010 cherry
## 2 2011 cherry 2
## 3 2012 cherry 7
## 4 2013 cherry
## 5 2010 kiwi
## 6 2011 kiwi
## 7 2012 kiwi
                  6.5
## 8 2013 kiwi
```

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```
data(pedestrian) # in tsibble
has_gaps(pedestrian,
         .full = TRUE)
## # A tibble: 4 × 2
     Sensor
                                    .gaps
     <chr>
                                    <1q1>
## 1 Birrarung Marr
                                   TRUE
## 2 Bourke Street Mall (North)
                                   TRUE
## 3 QV Market-Elizabeth St (West) TRUE
## 4 Southern Cross Station
                                   TRUF
ped_gaps <- pedestrian %>%
 count_gaps(.full = TRUE)
ggplot(ped_gaps,
       aes(x = Sensor,
           colour = Sensor)) +
 geom_linerange(
    aes(ymin = .from,
        ymax = .to), size=2) +
 geom_point(aes(y = .from), size=4) +
 geom_point(aes(y = .to), size=4) +
```

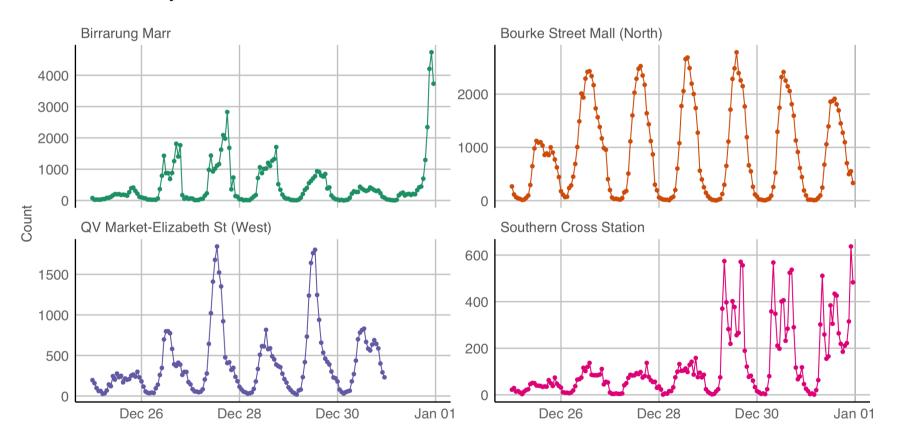


Every sensor has a missing value each April. What happens in April each year?

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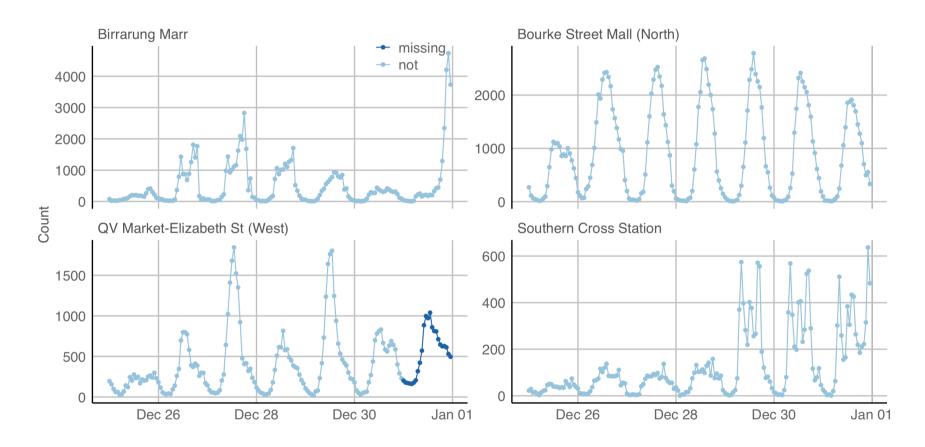
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Missings at the end of the year at QV market.



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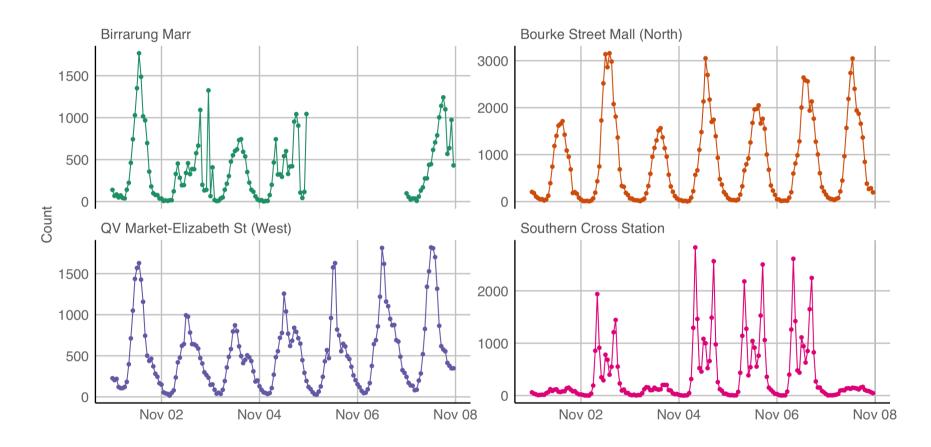
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Imputed with seasonal component.

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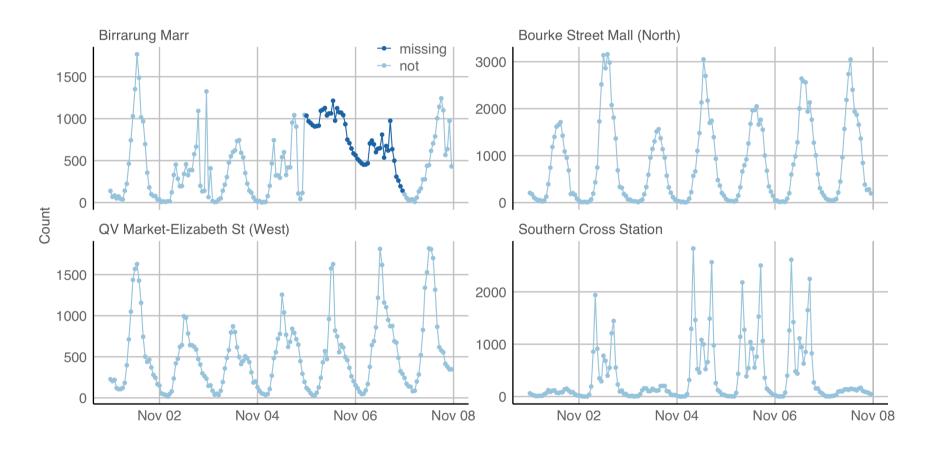
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Missings in November at Birrarung Marr.

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R R



Imputed with seasonal component. Irregular patterns make imputation difficult.

Imputing temporal data is necessary for modeling and forecasting, which typically require complete data. Incorporate seasonal components, if necessary, and temporal dependence. That means you need to understand enough about the data to do imputation well.

Longitudinal data

Information from the same individuals, recorded at multiple points in time.

Usually irregular, and not easy to regularise. Lots more short series.

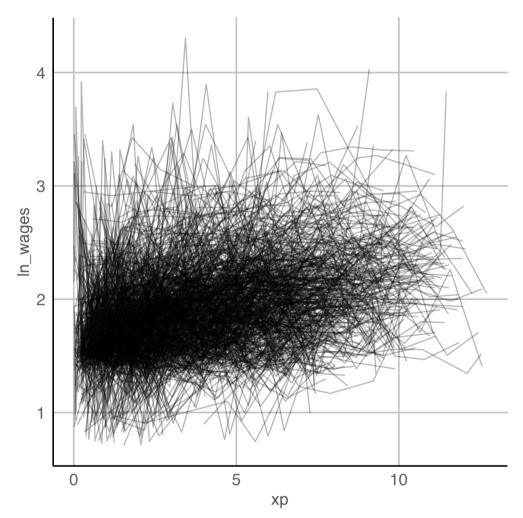
Longitudinal data has the same properties as time series, but generally different objectives for the analysis.

In the brolgar package methods build on the tsibble data object.

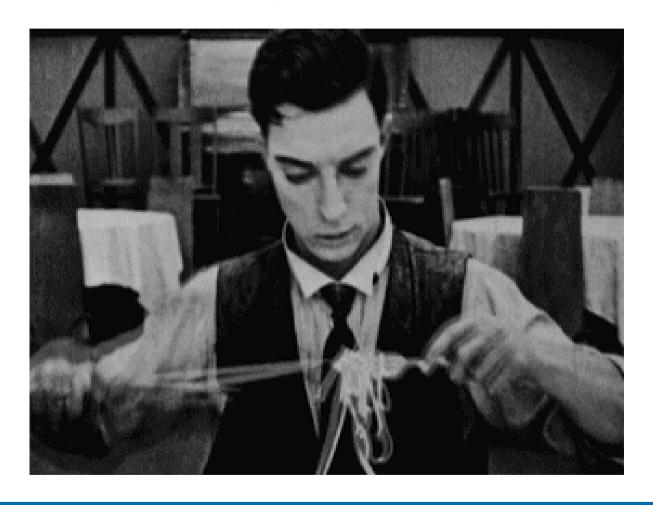
```
## # A tsibble: 6,402 x 9 [!]
##
  # Key:
              id [888]
##
        id ln_wages xp
                          ged xp_since_ged black hispanic high_grade unemploy
             <dbl> <dbl> <int>
##
     <int>
                             <dbl> <int>
                                               <int>
                                                           <int>
##
        31
          1.49 0.015
                                    0.015
                                                               8
        31 1.43 0.715
##
                                    0.715
        31
             1.47 1.73
                                    1.73
##
        31
##
             1.75 2.77
                                    2.77
        31
             1.93 3.93
                                    3.93
                                                               8
##
   5
        31
##
   6
             1.71 4.95
                                    4.95
                                                               8
              2.09 5.96
##
        31
                                    5.96
                                                               8
        31
             2.13 6.98
##
                                    6.98
##
        36
          1.98 0.315
                                    0.315
##
  10
        36
              1.80 0.983
                                    0.983
## # i 6,392 more rows
```

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Log(wages) of 888 individuals, measured at various times in their employment (workforce experience).



to perfection



Case study 4 Wages Part 2/15

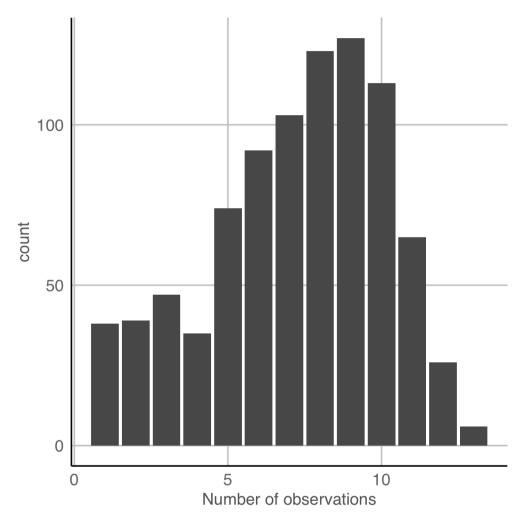
Using features, compute the number of measurements for each subject

```
wages %>%
  features(ln_wages, n_obs) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = n_obs)) +
  geom_bar() +
  xlab("Number of observations")
```

Different number of observations per person! It ranges from 1-13.



Too few observations means there is a lack of support to do temporal analysis.



Case study 4 Wages Part 3/15

You should filter on this, and remove subjects with few observations.

```
wages <- wages %>% add_n_obs()
wages %>%
filter(n_obs > 3) %>%
select(id, ln_wages, xp, n_obs)
```

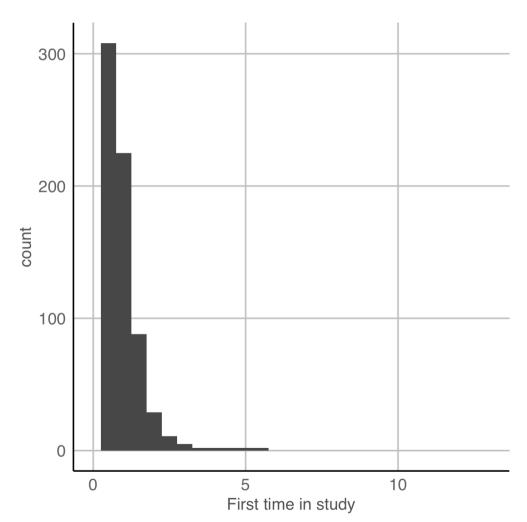
```
## # A tsibble: 6,145 x 4 [!]
## # Key:
            id [764]
       id ln_wages xp n_obs
##
## <int>
            <dbl> <dbl> <int>
##
       31 1.49 0.015
   1
                         8
   2
       31 1.43 0.715
##
##
       31 1.47 1.73
       31 1.75 2.77
##
   4
##
   5
       31 1.93 3.93
       31
##
   6
            1.71 4.95
                         8
       31
            2.09 5.96
##
   7
                         8
       31 2.13 6.98
                         8
##
   8
##
       36 1.98 0.315
                        10
       36 1.80 0.983
##
  10
                        10
## # i 6,135 more rows
```

Case study 4 Wages Part 4/15

Using features to extract minimum time

```
wages %>%
features(xp, list(min = min)) %>%
ggplot(aes(x = min)) +
geom_histogram(binwidth=0.5) +
xlim(c(0, 13)) +
xlab("First time in study")
```

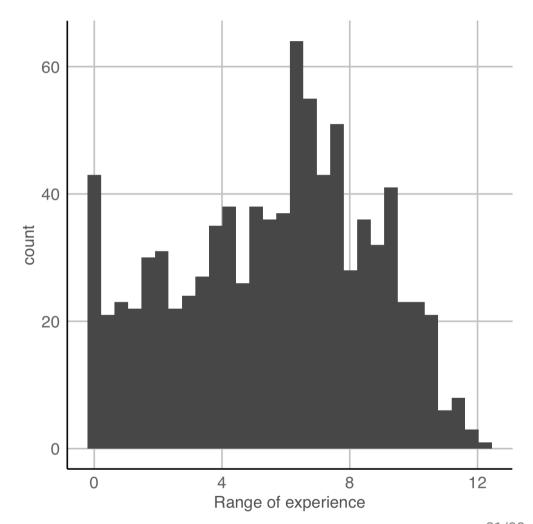
Subjects start in the study at different employment experience times, ranging from 0 to more than 10 years.



Case study 4 Wages Part 5/15

Using features to extract range of time index

There's a range of workforce experience.

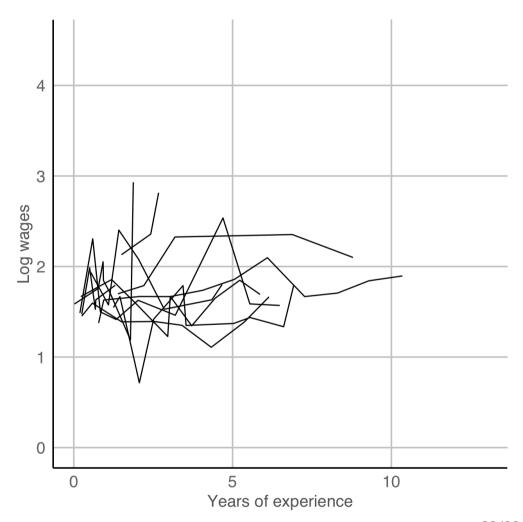


Case study 4 Wages Part 6/15

Small spoonfuls of spaghetti

Sample some individuals

Wages conversion 0.5 = \$1.65; 4.5 = \$90

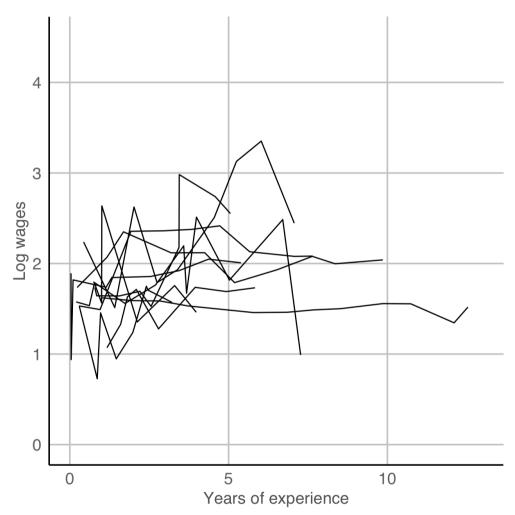


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Take a spoonful of different lengths

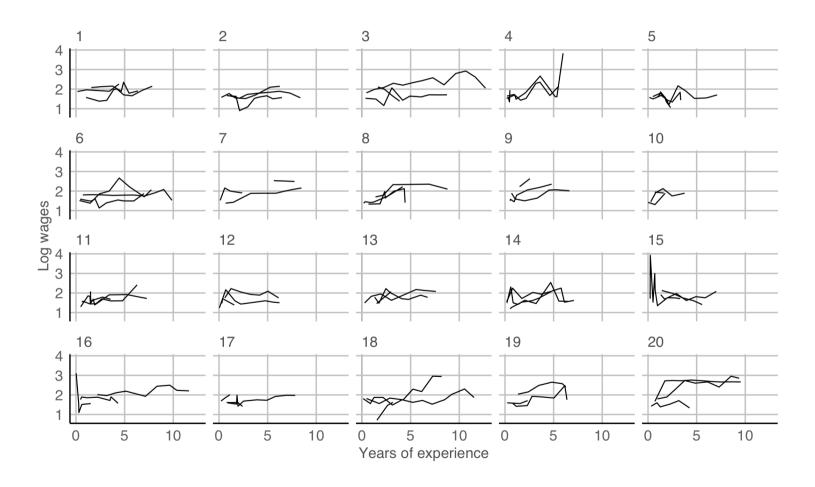
Sample experienced individuals

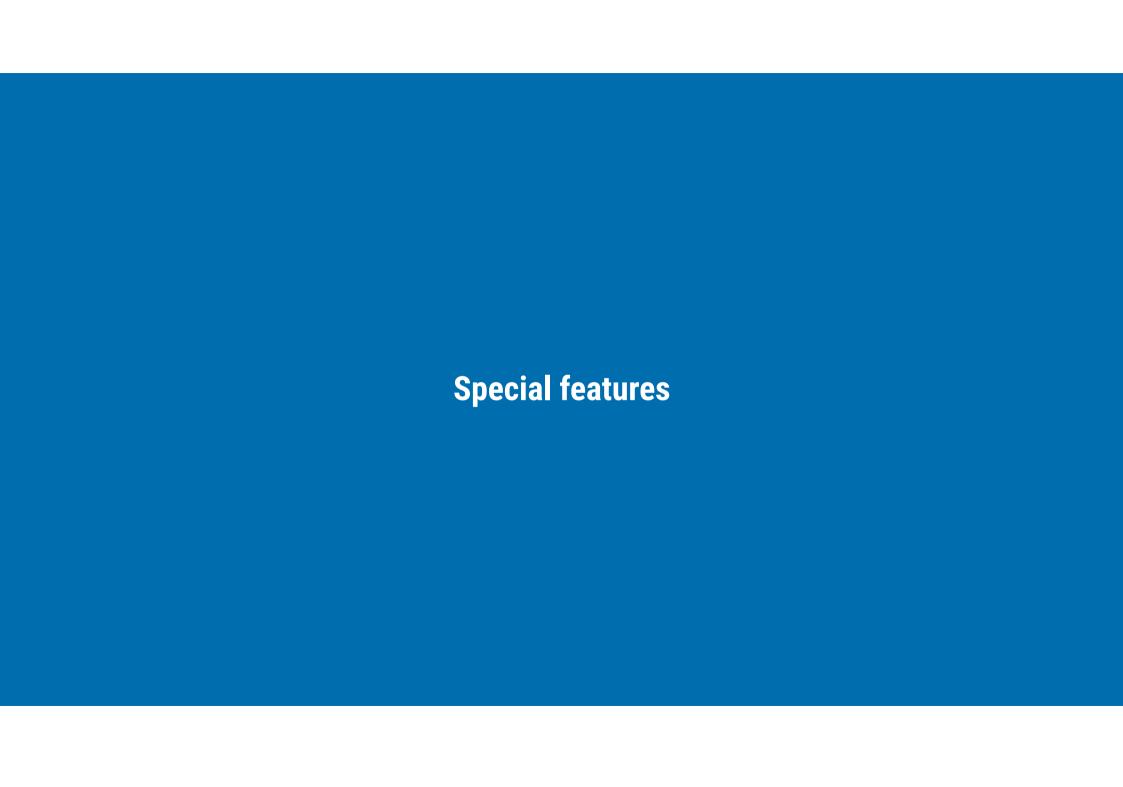
Wages conversion 0.5 = \$1.65; 4.5 = \$90



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Special features

Remember scagnostics?

Compute longnostics for each subject

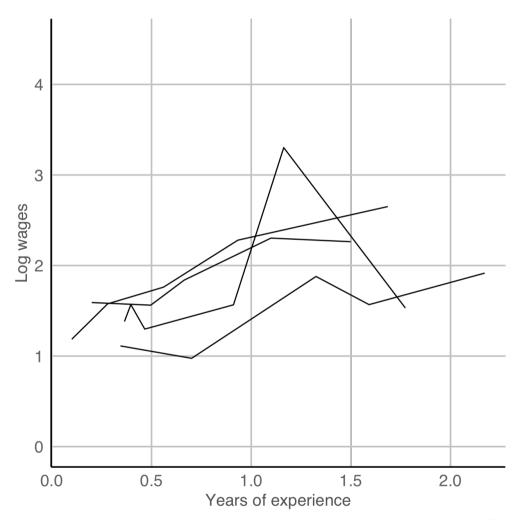
- Slope, intercept from simple linear model
- ✓ Variance, standard deviation

For large collections of time series, take a look at the feasts package, which has a long list of time series features (tignostics) to calculate.

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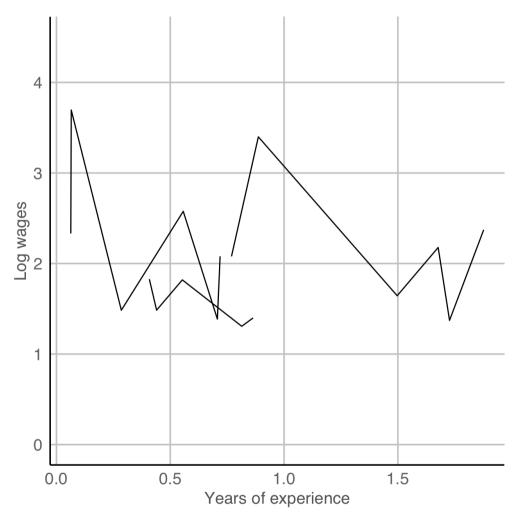
increasing

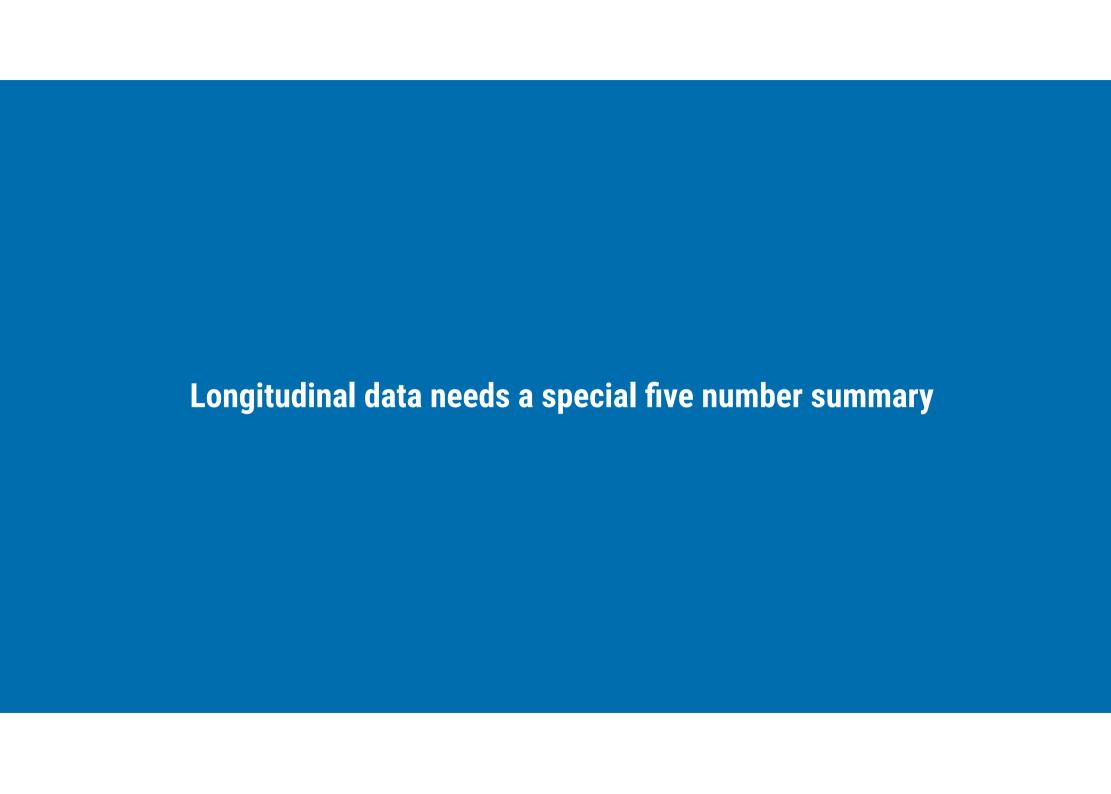
```
wages_slope <- wages %>%
  add_n_obs() %>%
  filter(n_obs > 4) %>%
  add_key_slope(ln_wages ~ xp) %>%
  as_tsibble(key = id, index = xp)
wages_slope %>%
  filter(.slope_xp > 0.4) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = xp,
             y = ln_wages,
             group = id)) +
  geom_line() +
  ylim(c(0, 4.5)) +
 xlab("Years of experience") +
  ylab("Log wages")
```



Case study 4 Wages Part 10/15

decreasing





Summarising individuals

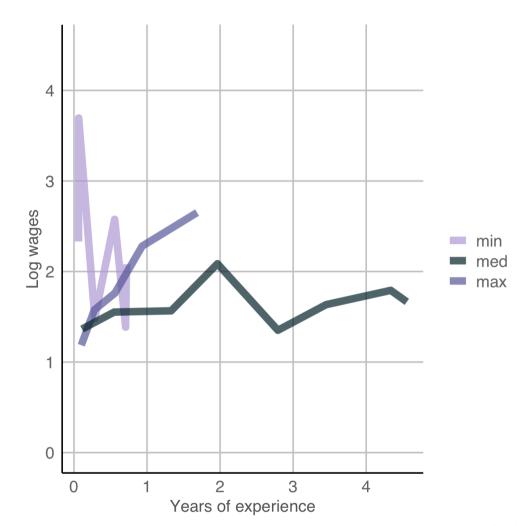
A different style of five number summary Who is average? Who is different?

Find those individuals who are representative of the min, median, maximum, etc of a particular feature, e.g. trend, using keys_near(). This reports the individual who is closest to a particular statistic.

wages_threenum() returns the three individuals: min, max and closest to the median value.
wages_fivenum() returns the five individuals: min, max and closest to the median, Q1 and Q3 values.

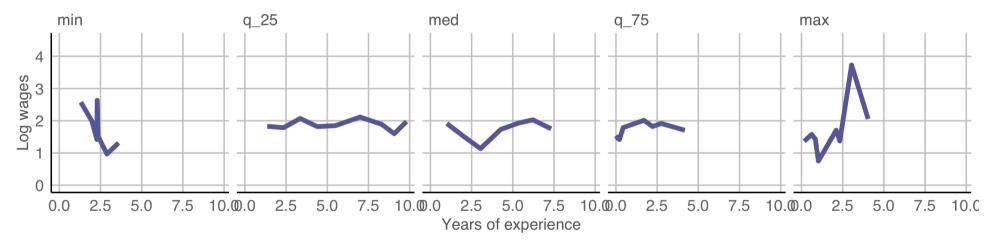
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Minimum/maximum are short series with substantial decline/incline. Median is very flat, no change in real wages.



Case study 4 Wages Part 12/15

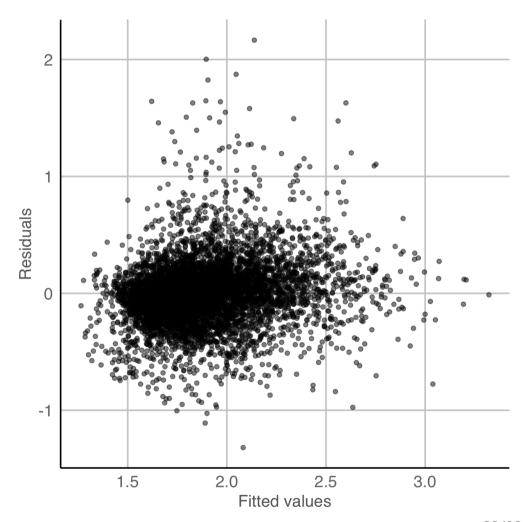
Q1 and Q3 are also flat which means that, at least, 50% of the individuals experience no real change in wage.



Case study 4 Wages Part 13/15

Sculpting spaghetti

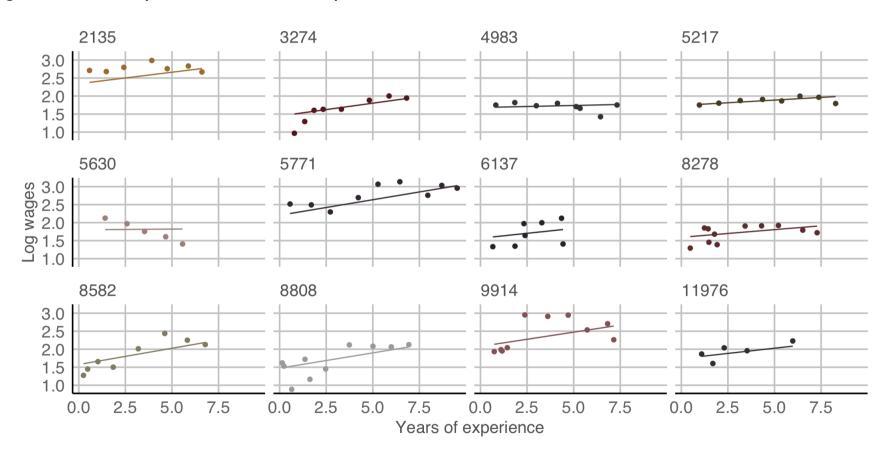
Mixed effects model, education as fixed effect, subject random effect using slope.



Case study 4 Wages Part 14/15



Model diagnostics: Sample individuals and plot model on the data. Notice individual 5630.



Case study 4 Wages Part 15/15

What we learn about wages that we would not have learned without doing EDA

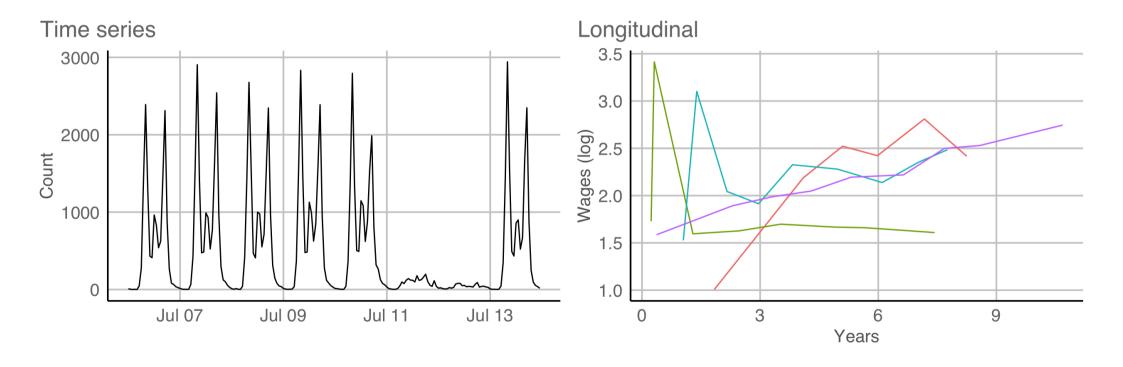
- The individual wage experience is extremely varied
- Some individuals see a decline in their wages the longer they are in the workforce
- Most individuals generally see some (small) increase, on average



Exploratory analysis of individual temporal patterns can be very really interesting!

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The main difference between time series data and longitudinal data, is the former is typically regular, complete, may be only one or a few, and the latter is typically of different lengths, different time measurements and a lot.



Resources and Acknowledgement

- Imputing missings in time using imputeTS
- Longitudinal data exploration with brolgar
- ▶ Data coding using tidyverse suite of R packages
- Slides constructed with xaringan, remark.js, knitr, and R Markdown.





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