

# **Joins, Split-Apply-Combine & MCPs**

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# Goals today

- Learn how to join data sets (merging)
- Split-apply-combine
  - Split a dataset into a list of several datasets
  - Do something to each dataset
  - Put the results back together
- Use it for
  - Running tests for many variables
- Understand why we need multiple comparison procedures (MCP)
  - Things to think about

# Data

This data set is taken from a breast cancer proteome database available [here](#) and modified for this exercise.

- Clinical data: [CSV](#)|[XLSX](#)
- Proteome data: [CSV](#)|[XLSX](#)

# Joins

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  - Personal health data across different healthcare entities

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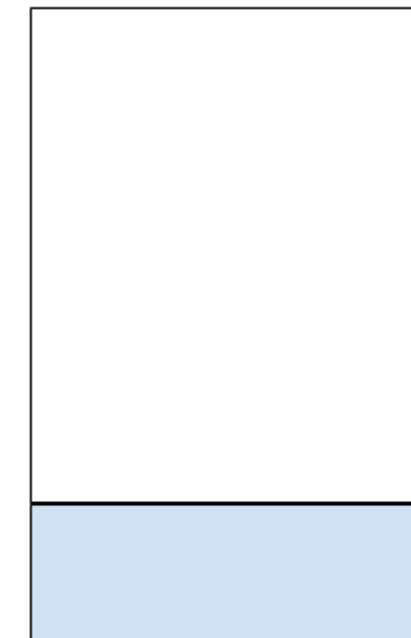
We already talked about cbind and rbind:

cbind



Add columns

rbind



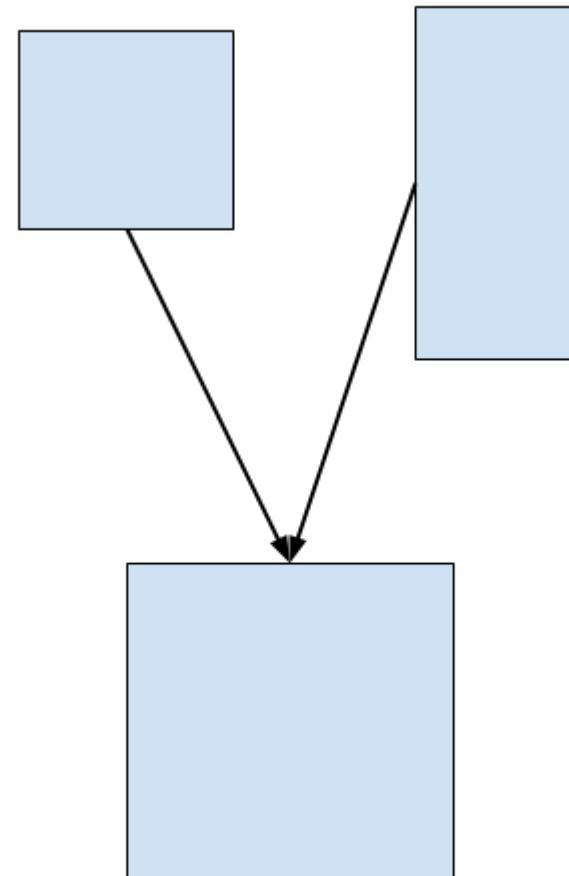
Add rows

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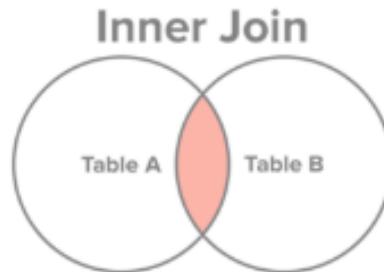
We will talk about more general ways of joining two datasets

We will assume:

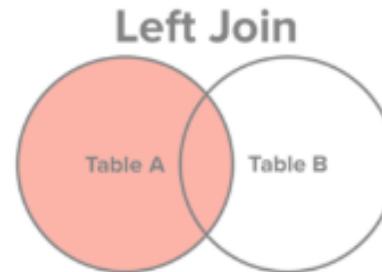
1. We have two rectangular data sets (so `data.frame` or `tibble`)
2. There is at least one variable (column) in common, even if they have different names
  - ID number
  - SSN (Social Security number)
  - Identifiable information



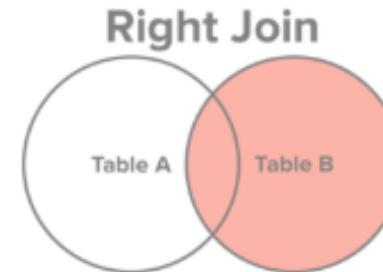
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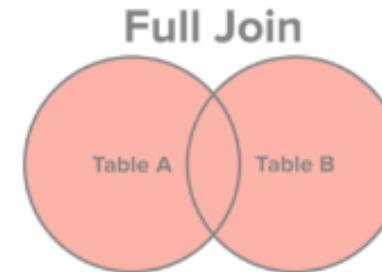
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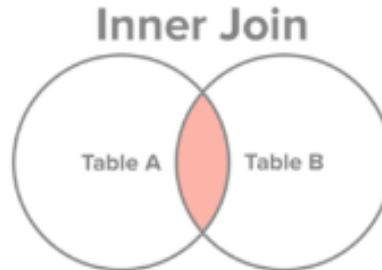


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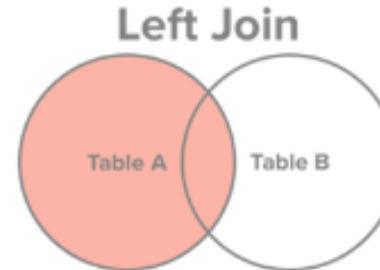


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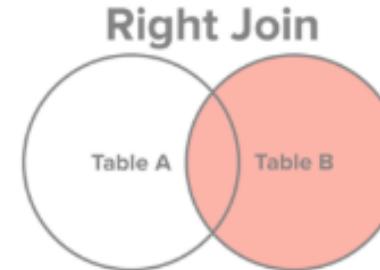
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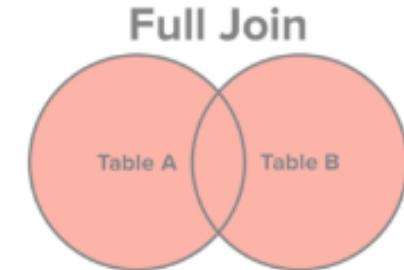
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inner\_join

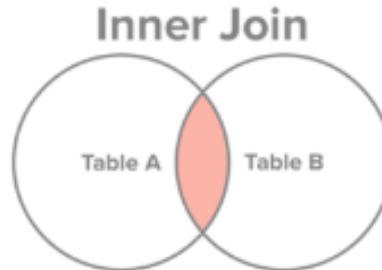
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right\_join

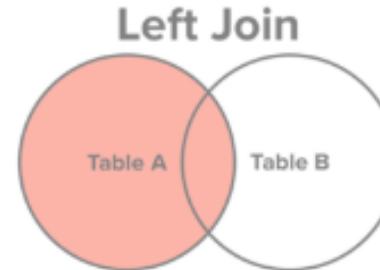
outer\_join

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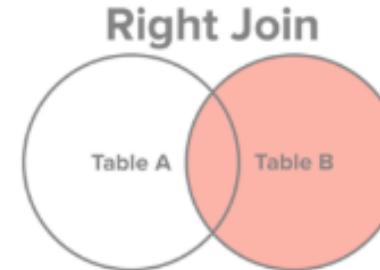
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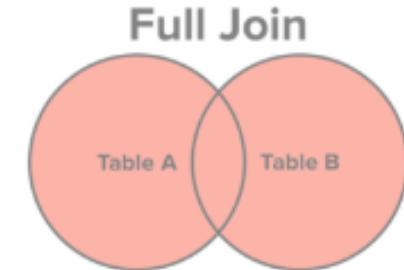
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inner_join	left_join	right_join	outer_join
The "join condition" are the common variables in the two datasets, i.e. rows are selected if the values of the common variables in the left dataset matches the values of the common variables in the right dataset			

# Data example

```
library(readxl)
clinical <- read_excel('lecture_joins_sac_data/BreastCancer_Clinical.xlsx') %>%
  set_names(str_replace_all(names(), '[ -]+', '_'))
proteome <- read_excel('lecture_joins_sac_data/BreastCancer_Expression.xlsx') %>%
  set_names(str_replace_all(names(), '[ -]+', '_'))
```

```
# A tibble: 105 x 30
  Complete_TCGA_ID Gender Age_at_Initial_Pathologic_D
  <chr>           <chr>
  1 TCGA-A2-A0T2   FEMALE
  2 TCGA-A2-A0CM   FEMALE
  3 TCGA-BH-A18V   FEMALE
  PR_Status HER2_Final_Status Tumor Tumor_T1_Coded No
  <chr>     <chr>          <chr> <chr>      <ch
  1 Negative  Negative        T3    T_Other    N3
  2 Negative  Negative        T2    T_Other    N0
  3 Negative  Negative        T2    T_Other    N1
  Metastasis Metastasis_Coded AJCC_Stage Converted_Stage
  <chr>       <chr>          <chr> <chr>
  1 M1         Positive        Stage IV   No_Conversion
  2 M0         Negative        Stage IIA  Stage IIA
  3 M0         Negative        Stage IIB  No_Conversion
  Survival_Data_Form Vital_Status Days_to_Date_of_Last_Consultation
  <chr>           <chr>
  1 followup    DECEASED
  2 followup    DECEASED
  3 enrollment  DECEASED
  Days_to_date_of_Death_OS event OS_Time PAM50_mRNA
```

```
# A tibble: 83 x 11
  TCGA_ID      NP_958782 NP_958785 NP_958786 NP_00043
  <chr>        <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>
  1 TCGA-AO-A12D 1.10      1.11      1.11      1.11
  2 TCGA-C8-A131 2.61      2.65      2.65      2.65
  3 TCGA-AO-A12B -0.660    -0.649    -0.654    -0.63
  NP_958783 NP_958784 NP_112598 NP_001611
  <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>
  1 1.11      1.11      -1.52      0.483
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1 TCGA-A2-A0T2    FEMALE
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3 TCGA-BH-A18V    FEMALE
# ... with 102 more rows
```

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# A tibble: 83 x 2
  TCGA_ID      NP_958782
  <chr>        <dbl>
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We see that both have the same ID variable, but with different names and different orders

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# Inner join

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common_rows <- inner_join(clinical[,1:6], proteome, by=c('Complete_TCGA_ID'='TCGA_ID'))
```

```
# A tibble: 77 x 16
  Complete_TCGA_ID Gender Age_at_Initial_Pathologic_Diagnosis ER_Status
  <chr>           <chr>                               <dbl> <chr>
1 TCGA-A2-A0CM    FEMALE                           40   Negative
2 TCGA-BH-A18Q    FEMALE                           56   Negative
3 TCGA-A7-A0CE    FEMALE                           57   Negative
PR_Status HER2_Final_Status NP_958782 NP_958785 NP_958786 NP_000436
<chr>     <chr>           <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>
1 Negative  Negative          0.683     0.694     0.698     0.687
2 Negative  Negative          0.195     0.215     0.215     0.205
3 Negative  Negative         -1.12     -1.12     -1.12     -1.13
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<dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>
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If you don't include the `by` option, R will attempt to match values of any columns with the same names

# Left join

```
left_rows <- left_join(clinical[,1:6], proteome, by=c('Complete_TCGA_ID'='TCGA_ID'))
```

```
# A tibble: 105 x 16
  Complete_TCGA_ID Gender Age_at_Initial_Pathologic_Diagnosis ER_Status
  <chr>           <chr>                               <dbl> <chr>
1 TCGA-A2-A0T2     FEMALE                           66  Negative
2 TCGA-A2-A0CM     FEMALE                           40  Negative
3 TCGA-BH-A18V     FEMALE                           48  Negative
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<chr>   <chr>           <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>
1 Negative  Negative          NA        NA        NA        NA
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<dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1     NA      NA      NA      NA      NA      NA
2     0.687   0.698   0.698   0.698   -2.65   -0.984
3     NA      NA      NA      NA      NA      NA
# ... with 102 more rows
```

We get 105 rows, which is all the rows of `clinical`, combined with the rows of `proteome` with common IDs. The rest of the rows get NA for the `proteome` columns.

# Right join

```
right_rows <- right_join(clinical[,1:6], proteome, by=c('Complete_TCGA_ID'='TCGA_ID'))
```

```
# A tibble: 80 x 16
  Complete_TCGA_ID Gender Age_at_Initial_Pathologic_Diagnosis ER_Status
  <chr>           <chr>                               <dbl> <chr>
1 TCGA-AO-A12D    FEMALE                           43   Negative
2 TCGA-C8-A131    FEMALE                           82   Negative
3 TCGA-AO-A12B    FEMALE                           63   Positive
PR_Status HER2_Final_Status NP_958782 NP_958785 NP_958786 NP_000436
<chr>     <chr>           <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>
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# ... with 77 more rows
```

Here we get 80 rows, which is all the rows of proteome, along with the rows of clinical with common IDs, but with the columns of clinical appearing first.

# Outer/Full Join

```
full_rows <- full_join(clinical[,1:6], proteome, by=c('Complete_TCGA_ID'='TCGA_ID'))
```

```
# A tibble: 108 x 16
  Complete_TCGA_ID Gender Age_at_Initial_Pathologic_Diagnosis ER_Status
  <chr>           <chr>                               <dbl> <chr>
1 TCGA-A2-A0T2     FEMALE                           66   Negative
2 TCGA-A2-A0CM     FEMALE                           40   Negative
3 TCGA-BH-A18V     FEMALE                           48   Negative
PR_Status HER2_Final_Status NP_958782 NP_958785 NP_958786 NP_000436
<chr>      <chr>           <dbl>       <dbl>       <dbl>       <dbl>
1 Negative  Negative          NA        NA        NA        NA
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NP_958781 NP_958780 NP_958783 NP_958784 NP_112598 NP_001611
<dbl>      <dbl>       <dbl>       <dbl>       <dbl>       <dbl>
1    NA      NA        NA        NA        NA        NA
2    0.687   0.698     0.698     0.698     -2.65     -0.984
3    NA      NA        NA        NA        NA        NA
# ... with 105 more rows
```

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```

```
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  <chr>           <chr>                               <dbl> <chr>
1 TCGA-A2-A0T2     FEMALE                           66  Negative
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2     0.687   0.698   0.698   0.698   -2.65   -0.984
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# ... with 105 more rows
```

Here we obtain 108 rows and 16 columns. So we've expanded the data in both rows and columns, putting missing values in where needed.

# Joins

In each of `inner_join`, `left_join`, `right_join` and `full_join`, the number of columns always increases

There are also two joins where the number of columns don't increase. They aren't really "joins" in that sense, but really fancy filters on a dataset

Join	Use	Description
<code>semi_join</code>	<code>semi_join(A,B)</code>	Keep rows in A where ID matches some ID value in B
<code>anti_join</code>	<code>anti_join(A,B)</code>	Keep rows in A where ID does NOT match any ID value in B

These just filter the rows of A without adding any columns of B.

**Are there protein expression differences between  
ER +ve and ER -ve breast cancers**

# Create analytic dataset

```
final_data <- clinical %>%
  inner_join(proteome, by=c("Complete_TCGA_ID"="TCGA_ID")) %>%
  filter(Gender =='FEMALE') %>%
  select(Complete_TCGA_ID, Age_at_Initial_Pathologic_Diagnosis, ER_Status,
         starts_with("NP")) # grabs all the protein data
```

```
# A tibble: 75 x 13
  Complete_TCGA_ID Age_at_Initial_Pathologic_Diagnosis ER_Status NP_958782
  <chr>                      <dbl> <chr>           <dbl>
1 TCGA-A2-A0CM                  40  Negative        0.683
2 TCGA-BH-A18Q                  56  Negative        0.195
3 TCGA-A7-A0CE                  57  Negative       -1.12 
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<dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 0.694    0.698    0.687    0.687    0.698    0.698    0.698
2 0.215    0.215    0.205    0.215    0.215    0.215    0.215
3 -1.12     -1.12   -1.13    -1.13    -1.12    -1.12    -1.12 
NP_112598 NP_001611
<dbl>    <dbl>
1 -2.65    -0.984
2 -1.04    -0.517
3  2.24    -2.58 
# ... with 72 more rows
```

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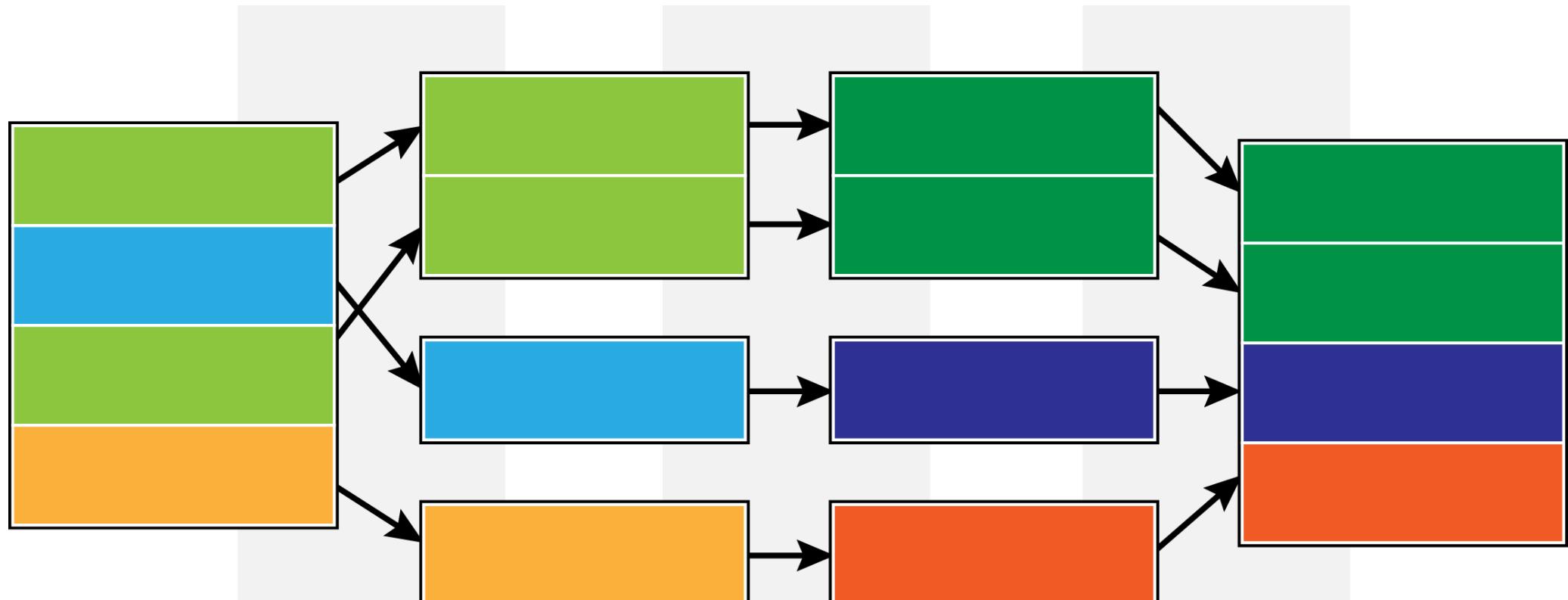
The R trick is to make this wide table long, so you can split on the rows

```
final_data2 <- final_data %>% gather(protein, expression, starts_with('NP')) %>%  
  arrange(Complete_TCGA_ID)
```

```
# A tibble: 750 x 5  
  Complete_TCGA_ID Age_at_Initial_Pathologic_Diagnosis ER_Status protein  
  <chr>                <dbl> <chr>      <chr>  
1 TCGA-A2-A0CM            40 Negative   NP_958782  
2 TCGA-A2-A0CM            40 Negative   NP_958785  
3 TCGA-A2-A0CM            40 Negative   NP_958786  
#> # ... with 747 more rows  
#> # ... with 1 variable:  
#> #   expression <dbl>
```

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# Split-apply-combine



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  <chr>     <list>
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3 NP_958786 <tibble [75 x 4]>
4 NP_000436 <tibble [75 x 4]>
5 NP_958781 <tibble [75 x 4]>
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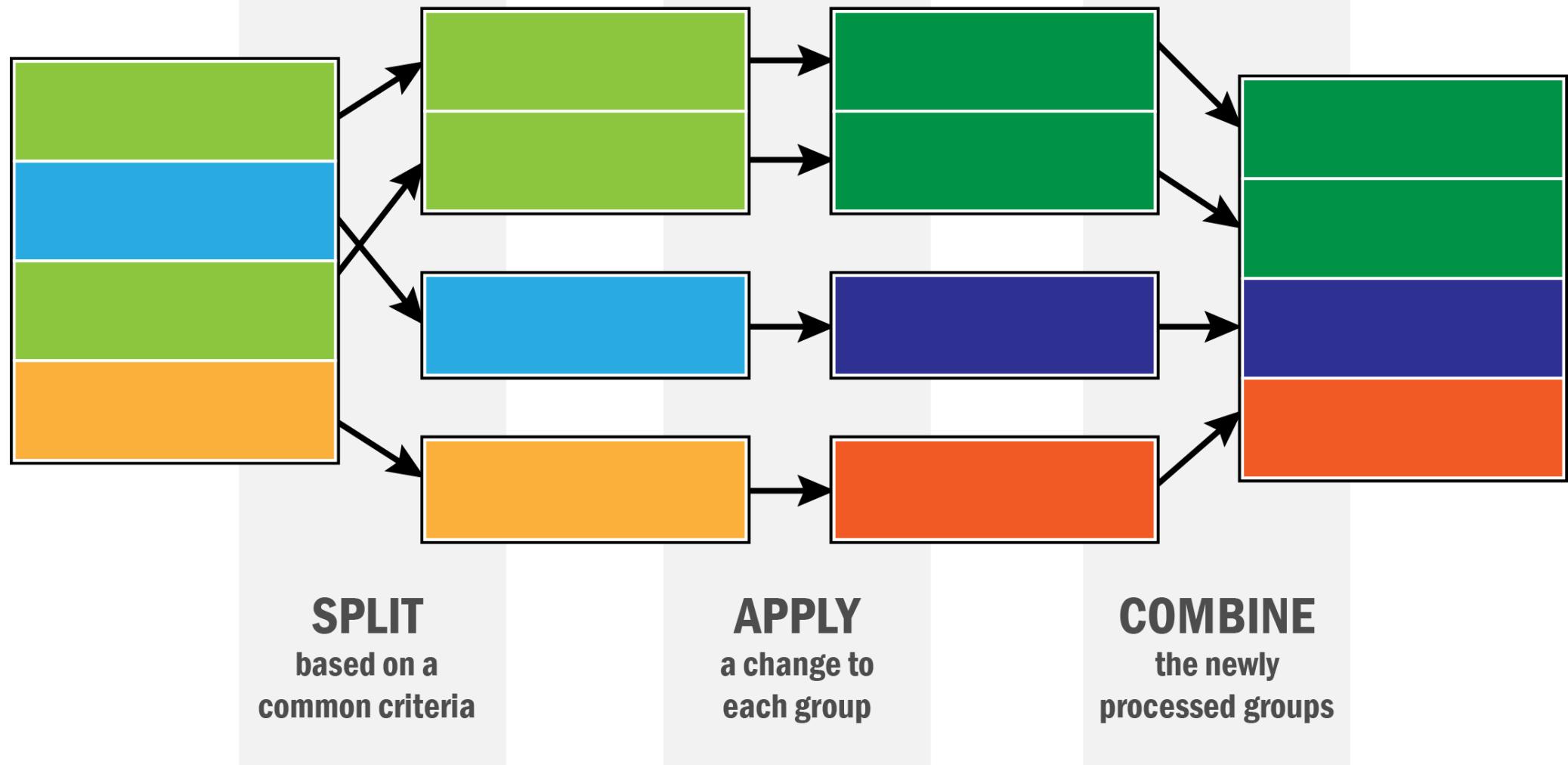
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This is an example of a list-column. We will actually use this form, since it's a bit clearer to understand



# Side note: Functions

# Functions

Functions are **rules** written in R code that take some *input* and give some *output*

```
#' @param d A data.frame object
#'
#' @return The p-value for the 2-sided t-test comparing expression between ER_Status
my_test <- function(d){
  ttest <- t.test(expression ~ ER_Status, data = d)
  return(ttest$p.value)
}
```

This function takes in a `data.frame`, does some operations on it (runs a t-test, and extracts the p-value) and returns a value (the p-value).

In general, a function can output any kind of R object. We'll learn by example, but for more details, see [this chapter](#) in *R for Data Science* by Wickham & Grolemund.

We will **apply** this function to each split dataset in `final_data2_nest`

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Let's take a look at an element in the data column

```
final_data2_nest$data[[1]]
```

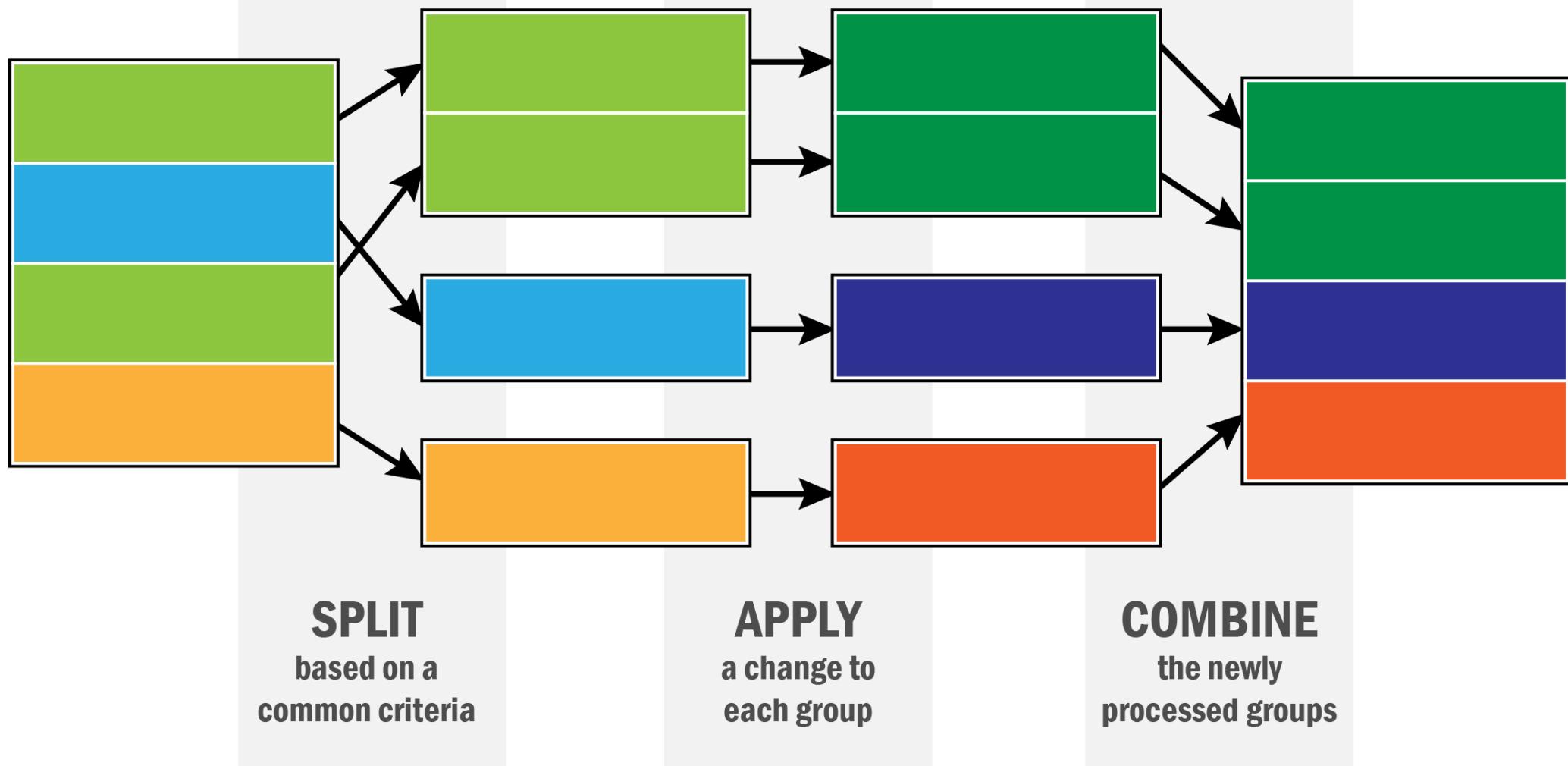
```
# A tibble: 75 x 4
  Complete_TCGA_ID Age_at_Initial_Pathologic_Diagnosis ER_Status
  <chr>           <dbl> <chr>
1 TCGA-A2-A0CM          40 Negative
2 TCGA-A2-A0D2          45 Negative
3 TCGA-A2-A0EQ          64 Negative
  expression
  <dbl>
1     0.683
2     0.107
3    -0.913
# ... with 72 more rows
```

# Applying a function to each split dataset

We will use the function `purrr::map` to do this:

```
final_data2_nest %>% mutate(pval = map(data, my_test))
```

```
# A tibble: 10 x 3
  protein    data      pval
  <chr>     <list>    <list>
1 NP_958782 <tibble [75 x 4]> <dbl [1]>
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  protein      data       pval
  <chr>     <list>     <dbl>
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This could be done in one operation, as well

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```

```
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```

# The map function

1. `map(data, my_test)`:

- `data` is a list of `data.frames`, and `my_test` is a function that takes a `data.frame` as input and produces some output, that is stored in a list

2. `map(data, ~t.test(expression ~ ER_Status, data = .))`:

- Apply an anonymous function to each element of `data`, where the `.` serves as a place holder for an element of `data`. The anonymous function must start with a `~`. Note that the result of the anonymous function is the output of a `t.test`, which is a kind of object in R

3. `map(data, "ER_Status")`:

- Extract the element `ER_Status` from each element of `data`

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```
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## Cleaning it up

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  mutate(pval = map_dbl(test, 'p.value')) %>%  
  select(protein, pval) %>% head(3)
```

```
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  <chr>     <dbl>  
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# Multiple comparison procedures (MCP)

# Why do we need it?

- Recall, in hypothesis tests, the Type I error (or false positive rate) is

$$\Pr(\text{Reject } H_0 | H_0 \text{ is true})$$

This is typically limited by the testing procedure to 5%.

- For the more technically interested, this is from the *Neyman-Pearson lemma*
- There is always a chance we are wrong!!

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This means, if you're doing 1 million tests (like, e.g., a GWAS), the chance that you get **at least one false positive** is practically 1, i.e. a sure shot.

This requires some kind of multiple comparisons adjustment so we don't make excessive errors and get fooled into thinking we have significant results

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Realize that this is quite stringent, since we're not allowing any false positives. The Bonferroni correction is thus quite conservative.

# Bonferroni correction

There is a price to pay for this stringency, in terms of

$$\text{Statistical Power} = \Pr(\text{Reject } H_0 \mid H_0 \text{ is FALSE})$$

This is the chance that the test will reject the null when the null hypothesis is wrong. We would like this to be high, so that we can detect true differences. This is usually set at 80%

Number of tests	Nominal FP rate	Bonferroni-corrected FP rate	Statistical power
1	0.050	0.050	0.800
2	0.098	0.049	0.706
5	0.226	0.049	0.573
10	0.401	0.049	0.474
100	0.994	0.049	0.212
1000	1.000	0.049	0.076
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FDR control procedures retain more statistical power than Bonferroni corrections. There are other variants of this like the Benjamini-Yeukitili (BY) procedure

# An example

If we see 10 heads in a row, we can statistically test whether the coin is biased or not.

```
prop.test(x = 10, n = 10, p = 0.5) # x = heads, n = tosses
```

```
1-sample proportions test with continuity correction
```

```
data: 10 out of 10, null probability 0.5
X-squared = 8.1, df = 1, p-value = 0.004427
alternative hypothesis: true p is not equal to 0.5
95 percent confidence interval:
 0.6554628 1.0000000
sample estimates:
p
1
```

# P-value adjustment

Suppose we want to test if pennies in circulation are biased (i.e. chance of a head is not 0.5). We collect 20,000 pennies and flip each of them 100 times, recording the number of heads. We can simulate this experiment in R using the `rbinom` function, use the `prop.test` function to test our hypothesis, and then get adjusted p-values using the `p.adjust` function.

```
set.seed(1243) # Initialize the random number generator
coinTable <- tibble(heads = rbinom(n = 20000, size = 100, prob = 0.5))
coinTable <- coinTable %>% mutate(pvals = map_dbl(heads, ~prop.test(., 100, 0.5)$p.value))
coinTable <- coinTable %>% mutate(bonf = p.adjust(pvals, method = 'bonferroni')) %>%
  mutate(q_value = p.adjust(pvals, method = 'fdr'))
```

```
# A tibble: 20,000 x 4
  heads pvals   bonf q_value
  <int> <dbl> <dbl>   <dbl>
1     56 0.271     1   0.996
2     47 0.617     1   0.996
3     48 0.764     1   0.996
# ... with 2e+04 more rows
```

The proportion of p-values < 0.05 is:

```
# A tibble: 1 x 3
  pvals   bonf q_value
  <dbl> <dbl>   <dbl>
1 0.0356     0       0
```

# P-value adjustment

If the coins are truly biased, we can see that the Bonferroni misses most of them whereas the q-value doesn't.

```
set.seed(1243) # Initialize the random number generator
coinTable <- tibble(heads = rbinom(n = 20000, size = 100, prob = 0.7))
coinTable <- coinTable %>% mutate(pvals = map_dbl(heads, ~prop.test(., 100, 0.5)$p.value))
coinTable <- coinTable %>% mutate(bonf = p.adjust(pvals, method = 'bonferroni')) %>%
  mutate(q_value = p.adjust(pvals, method = 'fdr'))
```

```
# A tibble: 20,000 x 4
  heads     pvals    bonf    q_value
  <int>     <dbl>   <dbl>     <dbl>
1    64 0.00693     1  0.00753
2    72 0.0000171  0.342 0.0000451
3    71 0.0000413  0.826 0.0000892
# ... with 2e+04 more rows
```

```
coinTable %>% summarize_at(vars(-heads), funs(mean(. < 0.05)))
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 3
  pvals    bonf    q_value
  <dbl>   <dbl>     <dbl>
1 0.979  0.168    0.979
```

# Next week: Statistical models in R