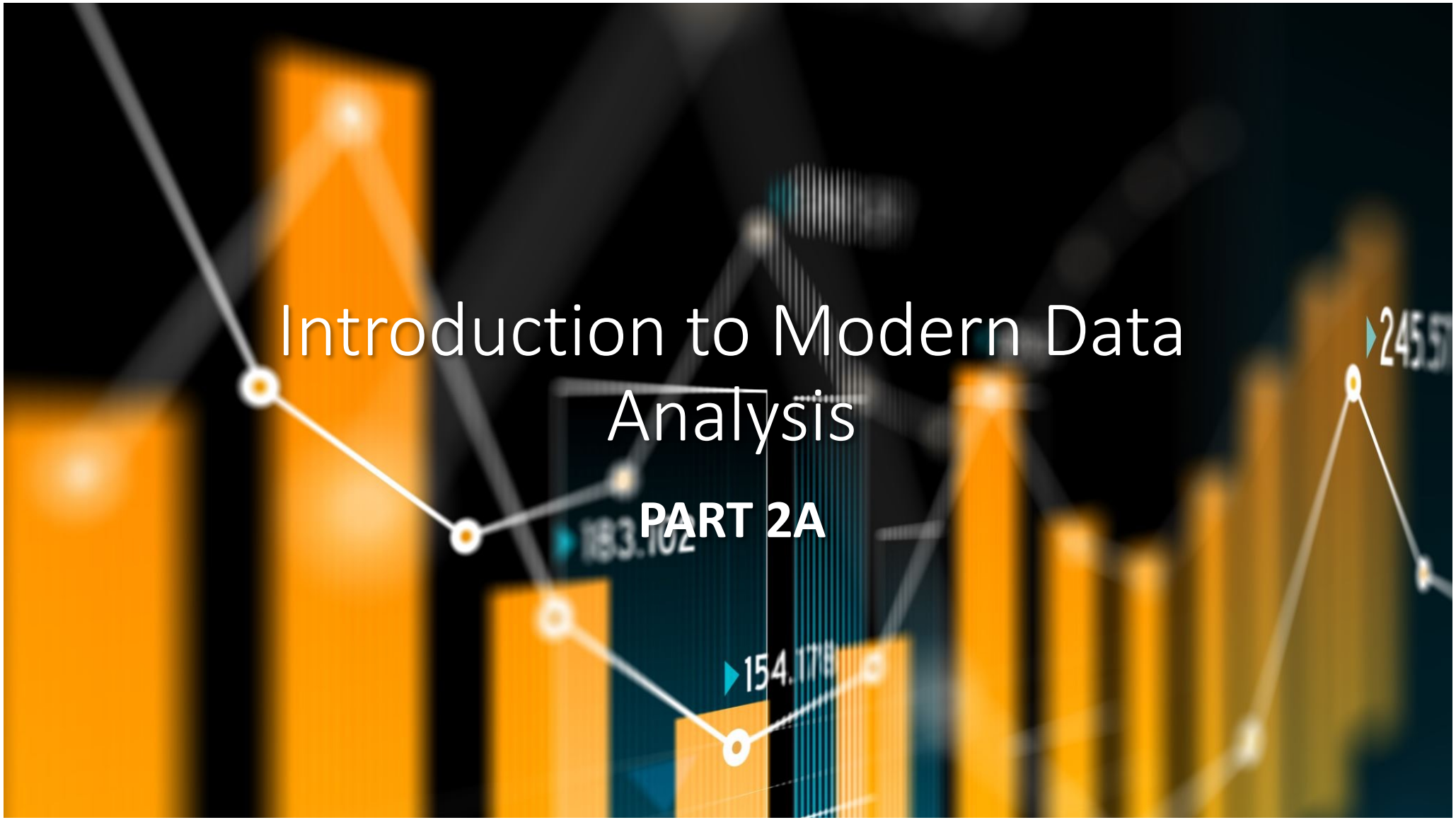
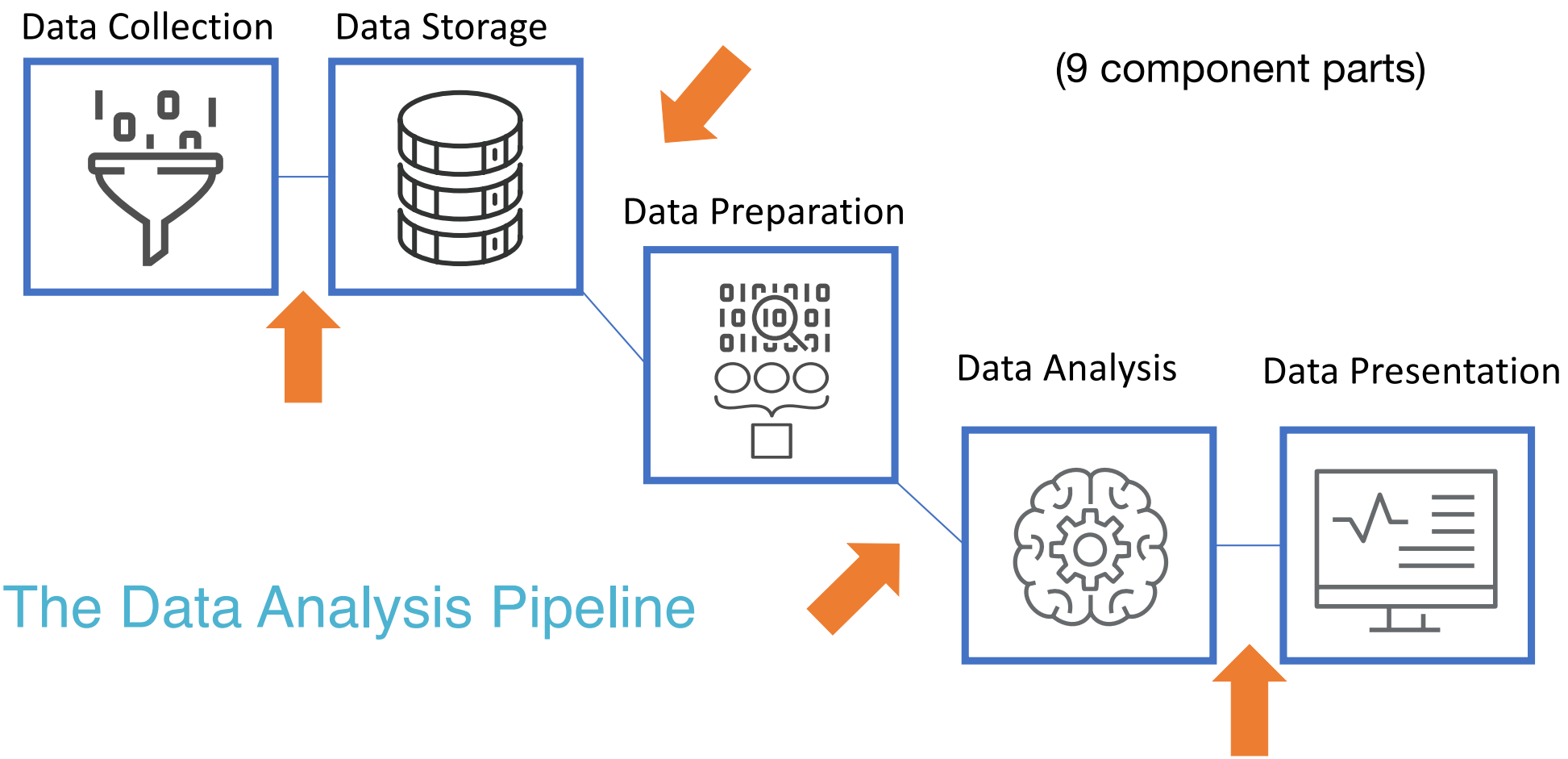


# Introduction to Modern Data Analysis

## PART 2A

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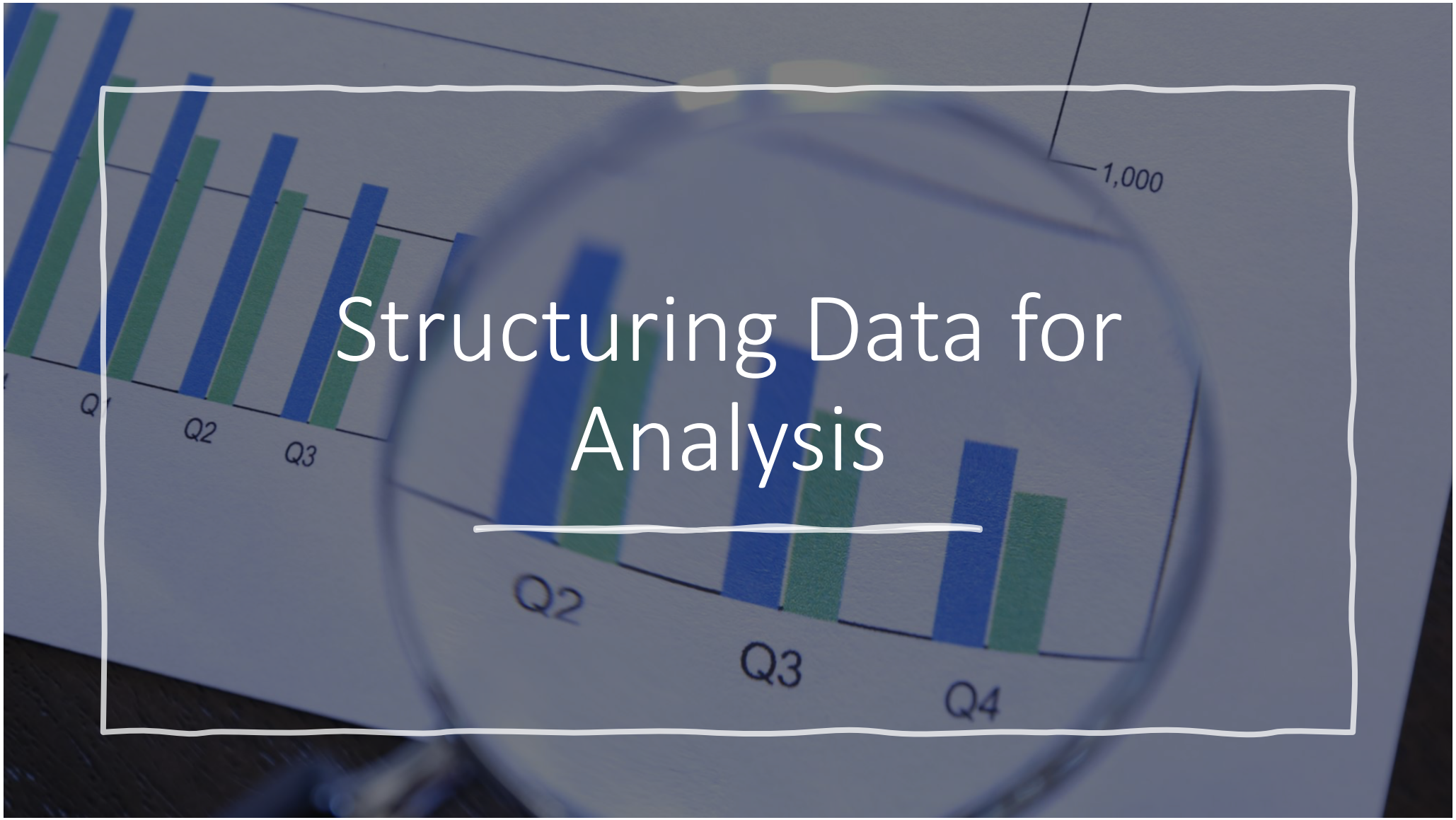
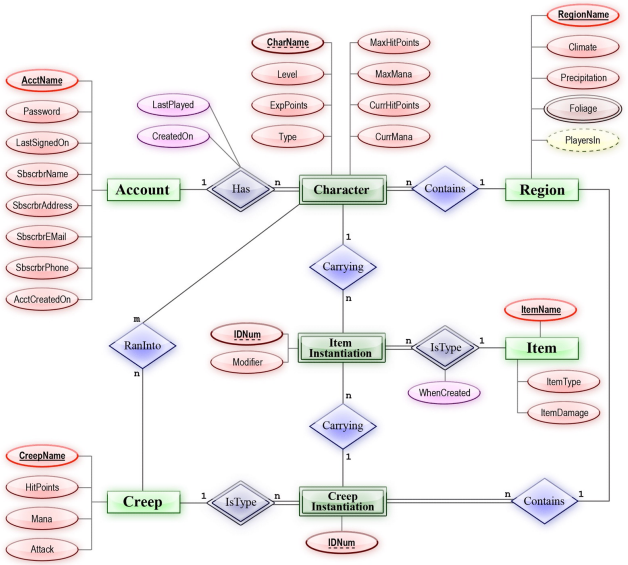



# Structuring Data for Analysis

# Database vs Flat File

## Database




## Flat File

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| 8 | summer | small | high | 8.15 | 10.3 | 73.25 | 1.535 | 110 | 61.25 | 111.75 | 3.2 | 2.4 |
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**Data Integrity**

**Data Analysis**

# Rows vs Columns

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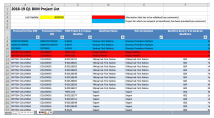

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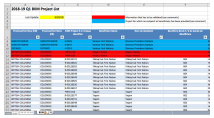

**Record-keeping**

**Research**

# Dataset Shape and Focus

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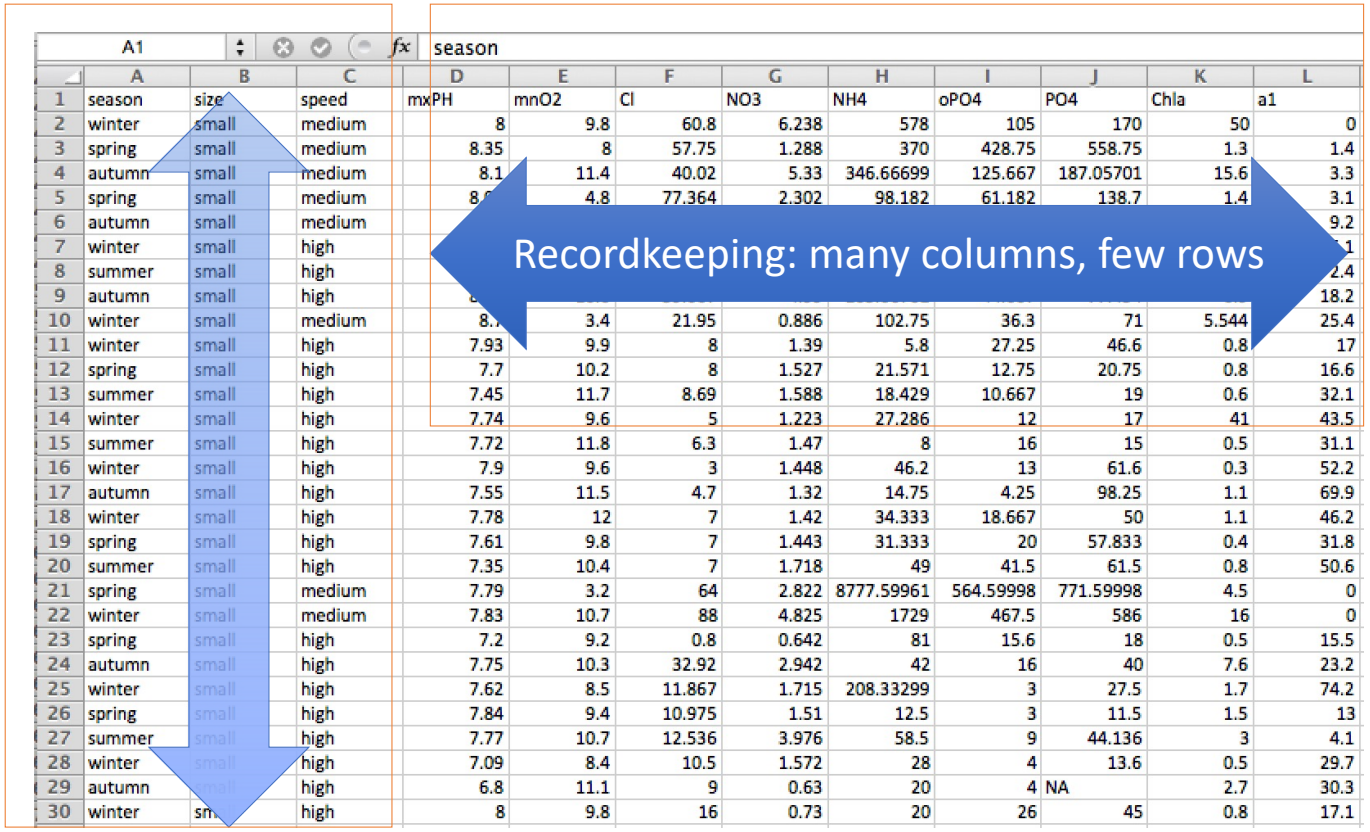


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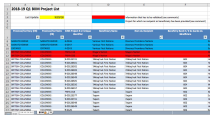

# Data Preparation for Analysis

Validating, Cleaning, Augmenting, Transforming

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- Data validation + verification
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Each of these steps may themselves involve data analysis and other techniques

# Data Validation + Verification

- **Verification**: Confirm that the data is correct relative to the dataset
- **Validation**: Confirm that the data correctly represents the objects
- We determine data cleaning requirements based on the results of our data verification and validation

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# Data Cleaning

A question for you: **should you clean before you do exploratory analysis?**

Some possible issues:

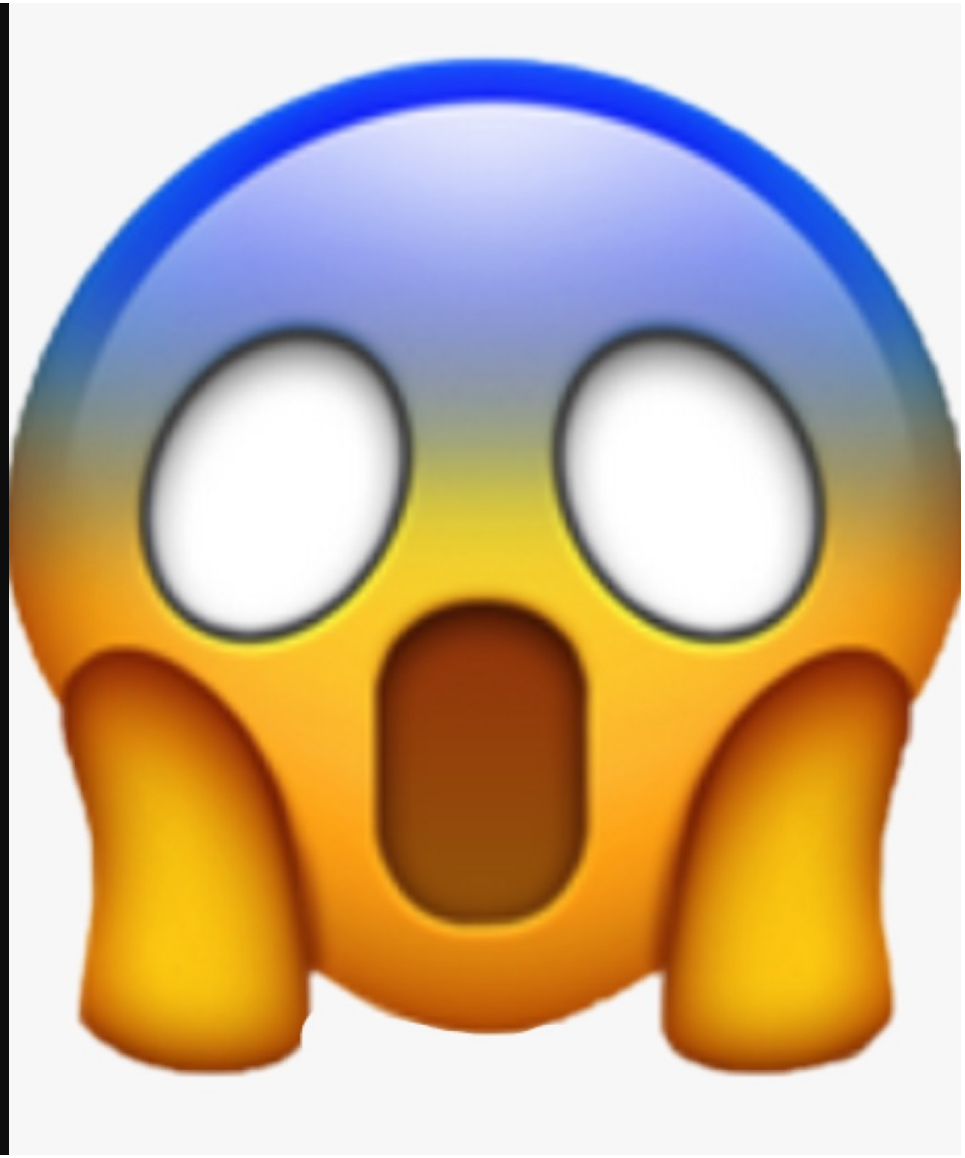
- Character encodings
- Missing Data
- Data collection or entry errors
- Systematic errors

# The Curse of Free Text Fields

- The curse of categorical data is made much worse by the curse of free text fields

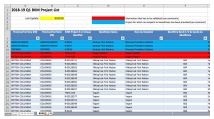
- If you have a field that is supposed to be categorical but it is a free text field, **it is no longer categorical**

- You can use machine learning techniques to help to some extent, but this is a case **where an ounce or prevention is worth a pound of cure**.



# Data Cleaning Bingo

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| random missing values | outliers | values outside of expected range - numeric | factors incorrectly/iconsistentntly coded | date/time values in multiple formats |
| impossible numeric values | leading or trailing white space | badly formatted date/time values | non-random missing values | logical inconsistencies across fields |
| characters in numeric field | values outside of expected range - date/time | DCB! | inconsistent or no distinction between null, 0,not available, not applicable,missing | possible factors missing |
| multiple symbols used for missing values | ??? | fields incorrectly separated in row | blank fields | logical iconsistencies within field |
| entire blank rows | character encoding issues | duplicate value in unique field | non-factor values in factor | numeric values in character field |



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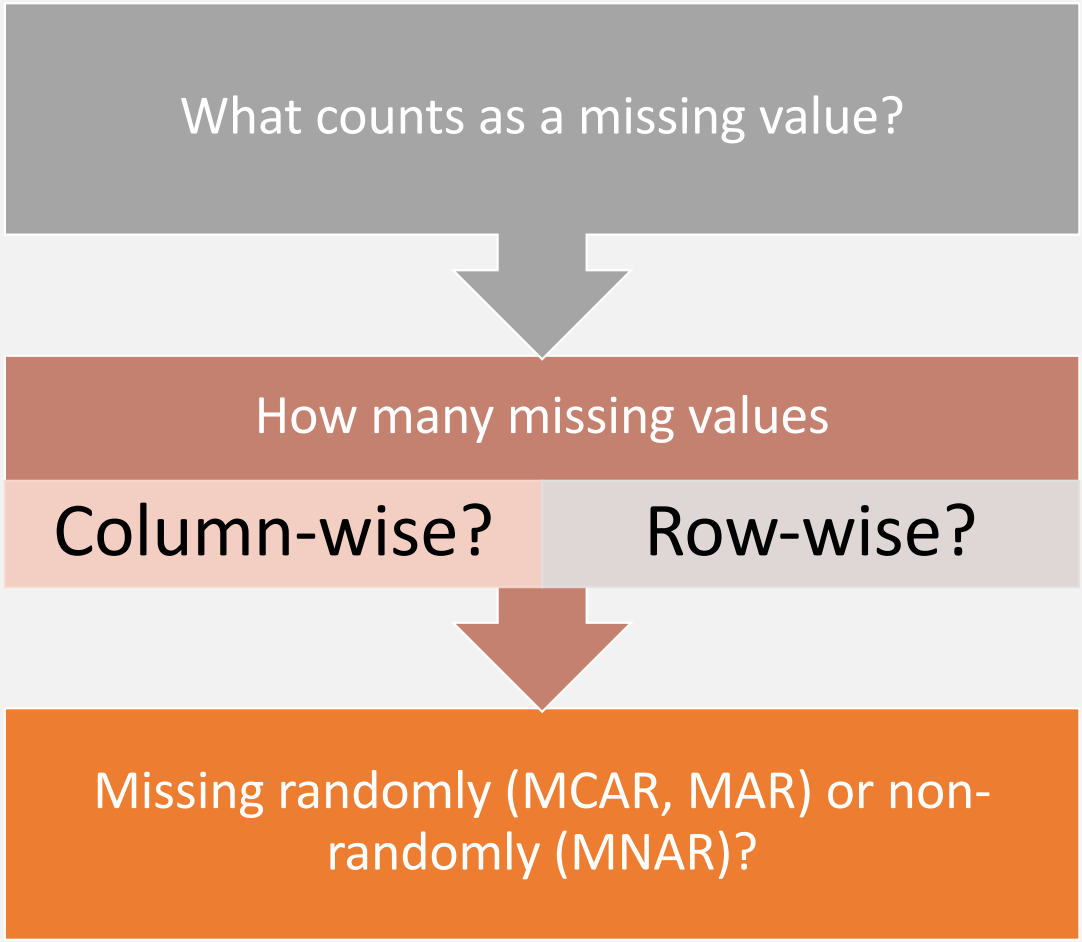


# Dealing with Missing Values

- If percentage is very low (e.g. <= 5%) you might be able to just ignore those rows*
- You can try to detect if the data is MNAR instead of MCAR/MAR using statistical tests
- If missing values are MCAR/MAR you might be able to ignore them
- You might be able to ‘impute’ the data using statistical modelling techniques

# MCAR, MAR, MNAR

**Missing Completely At Random (MCAR):** Genuinely no pattern to the missing values (think “due to sunspots”

**Missing At Random (MAR):** Missing values are correlated with another variable you also have.

**Missing Not At Random (MNAR**): Missing values are correlated with another variable you **don’t** have

Interesting example – fields where people can select “Choose not to reply”

When does imputation make sense?

# Cleaning: Other Data Entry Errors

**Syntax errors**: Capitalization, misspellings

**Heaping**: people tend to round off measurement values (e.g. hours worked). This results in the data showing up in ‘heaps’

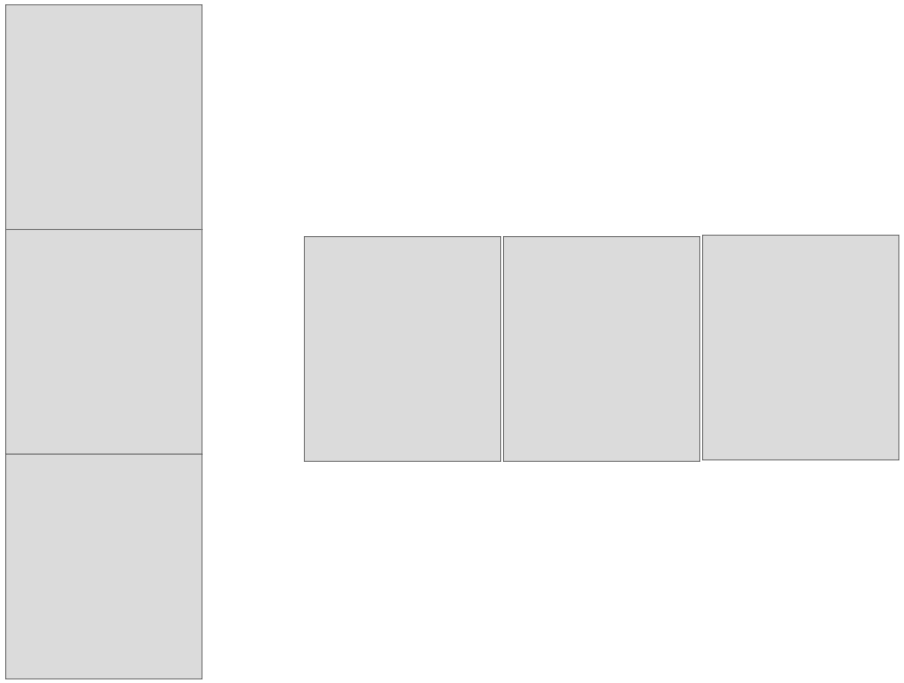
**Collector bias, sensor error**: recording what is expected rather than what is, dealing with badly calibrated sensor

# Transforming Data:

- Changing focus
- Summarizing, condensing
- Reshaping
- Adding complexity and abstraction (metrics)

# Long vs Wide Format

- A flat file with the same data can be structured in two shapes:
  - Long (Narrow) (Tall)(Stacked)
  - Wide (Unstacked)
- **Different analysis *algorithms* require particular shapes**
- Presentation of data



# Long Format to Wide Format

**long**

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| 1 | 13 | END |
| 2 | 20 | START |
| 2 | 5 | MIDDLE |
| 2 | 6 | END |
| 3 | 6 | START |
| 3 | 8 | MIDDLE |
| 3 | 10 | END |

← variable name

← variable values

variable name
+ values

**wide**

| Group# | Group-Size-START | Group-Size-MIDDLE | Group-Size-END |
|---|---|---|---|
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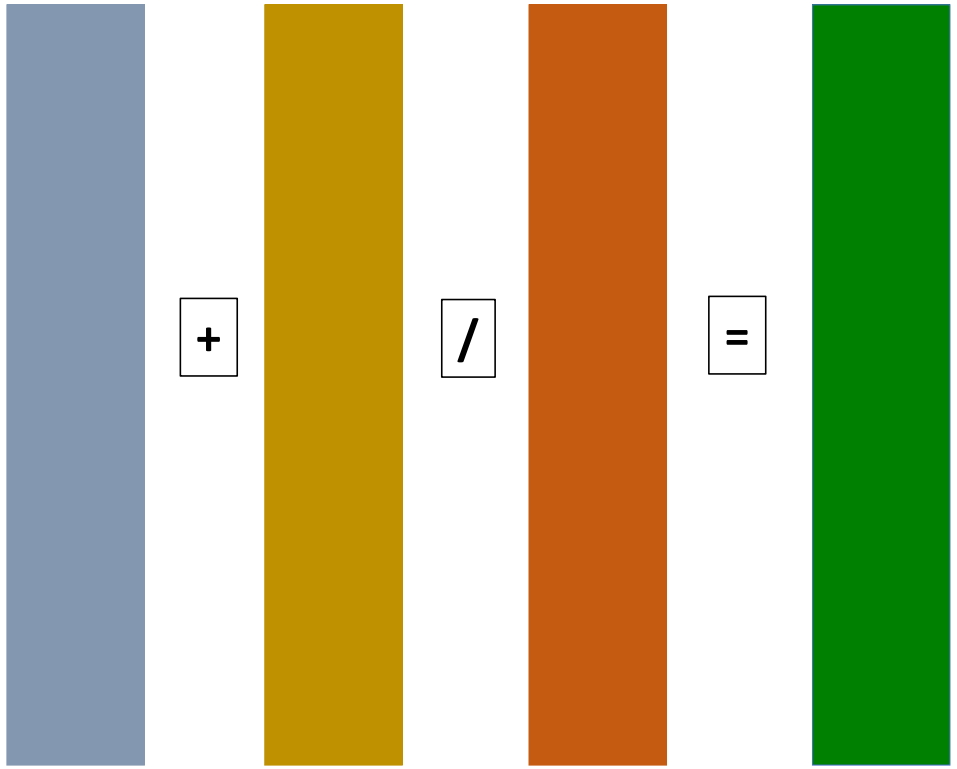
| 2 | 20 | 5 | 6 |
| 3 | 6 | 8 | 10 |

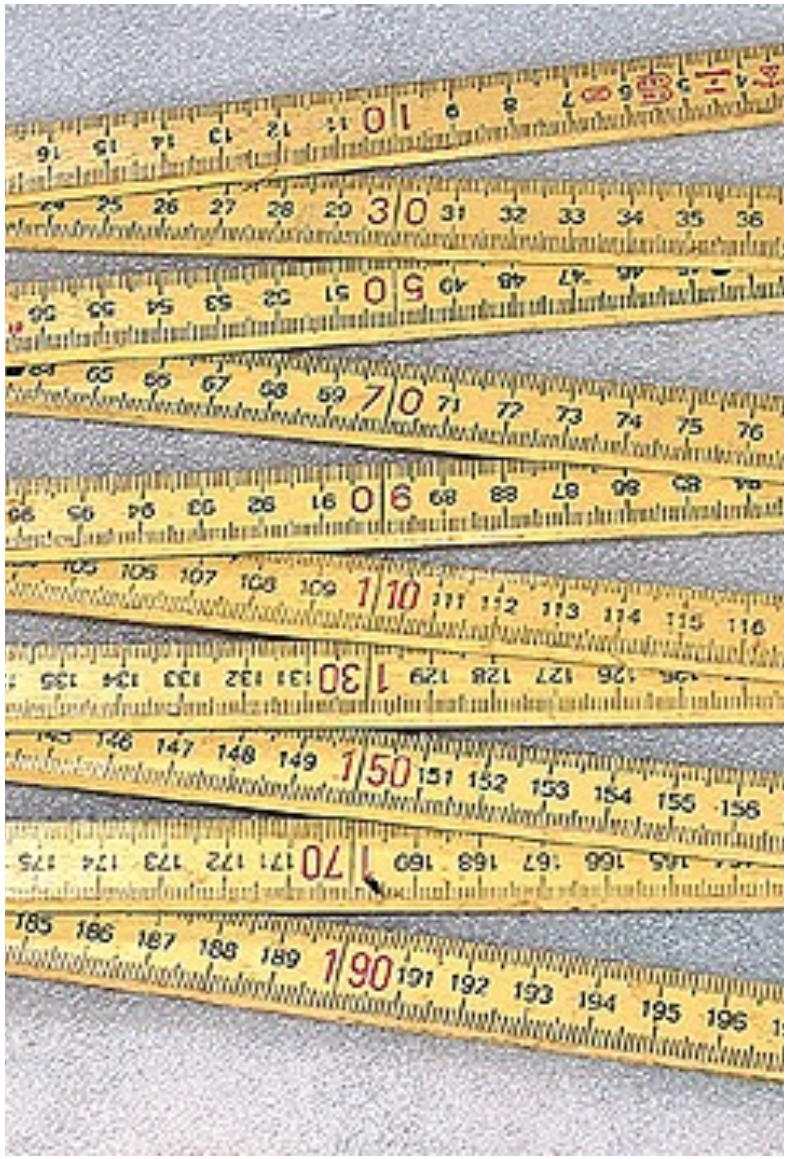
# Reshaping Data: Tools

- Reshaping your flat file by hand (or in Excel) can be *extremely* tedious! And error prone!
- This is where tools like R can be extremely helpful and time saving
- Plus – automation. Resist the 'manual' short cut!

# Adding Complexity: Metrics

- Measures:
  - Concrete properties
  - come from taking measurements
- Metrics:
  - Built up out of measures
  - Quantifies a more abstract concept





# Metrics: Good, Bad, Ugly

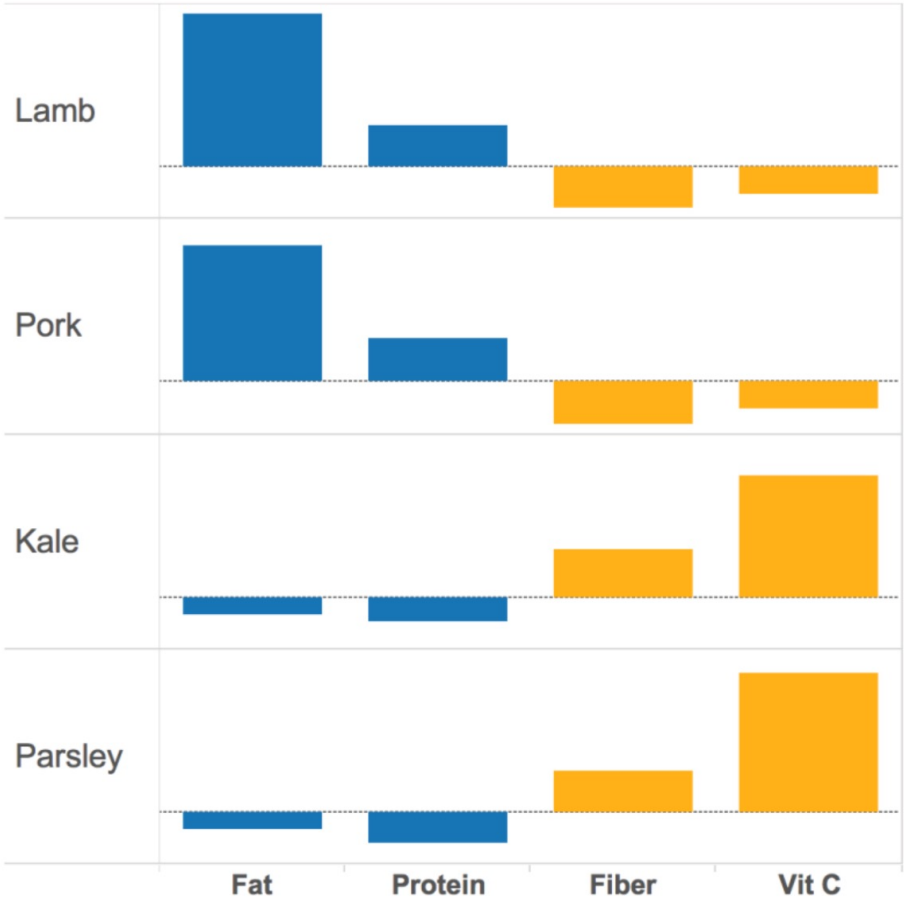
- "When a measure becomes a target, it ceases to be a good measure" ***Goodhart's Law***
- "The more any quantitative social indicator is used for social decision-making, the more subject it will be to corruption pressures and the more apt it will be to distort and corrupt the social processes it is intended to monitor." ***Campbell's Law***

***(Surgeons Example)***

# Data Reduction: Principal Components Analysis (PCA)*

- In this example, presence of nutrients appears to be correlated among food items.
- In the (small) sample consisting of Lamb, Pork, Kale, and Parsley, *Fat* and *Protein* levels seem in step, as do *Fiber* and *Vitamin C*.
- In a larger dataset, the correlations are $r = 0.56$ and $r = 0.57$.
- How much could 2 variables explain?

* For categorical variables see also: MCA, FAMD
(https://drbulu.github.io/blog/factorial_methods_part1_overview/)

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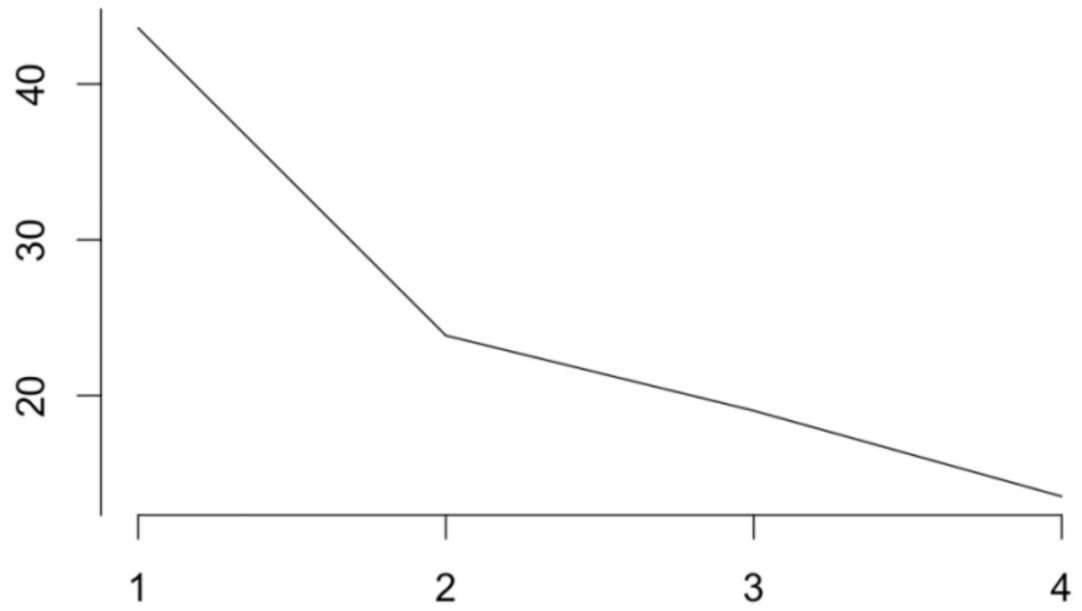
# Retaining Principal Components

- The **proportion of the spread** in the data which can be explained by each principal component is shown in the scree plot.
- How many PCs are retained in the analysis?
  - keep the PCs where the cumulative proportion is below some threshold
  - keep the PCs leading to a kink
- Here, 2 PCs ≈ 68% of the spread.

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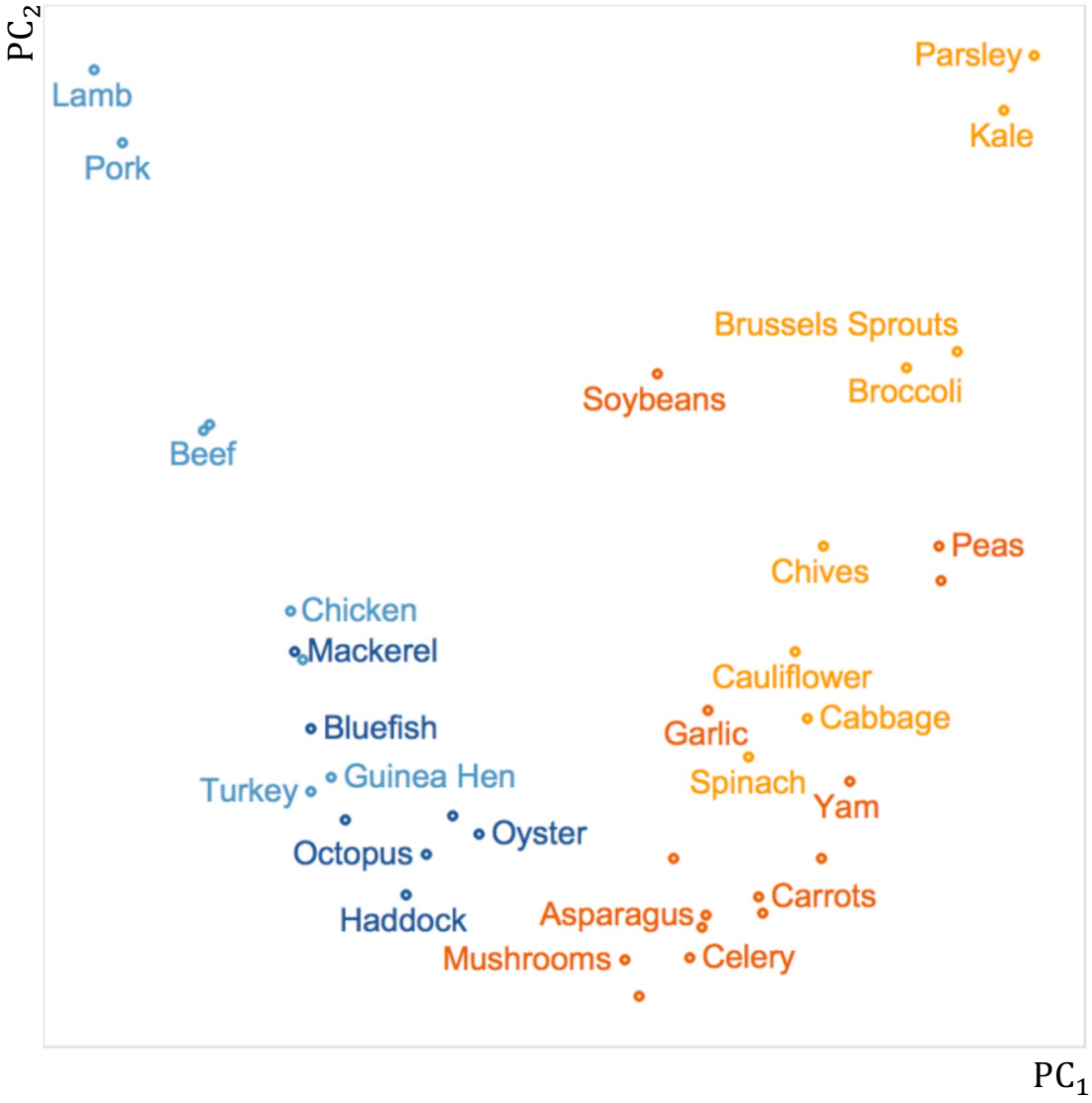
$PC_1$ differentiates meats from vegetables

$PC_2$ differentiates **sub-categories** within meats (using *Fat*) and vegetables (using *Vitamin C*).

- Meats are concentrated on the left (low $PC_1$ values).
- Vegetables are concentrated on the right (high $PC_1$ values).
- Seafood has lower *Fat* content (low $PC_2$ values) and is concentrated at the bottom.
- Non-leafy veggies have lower *Vitamin C* content (low $PC_2$ values) and are also bunched at the bottom.

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# Are we there yet?