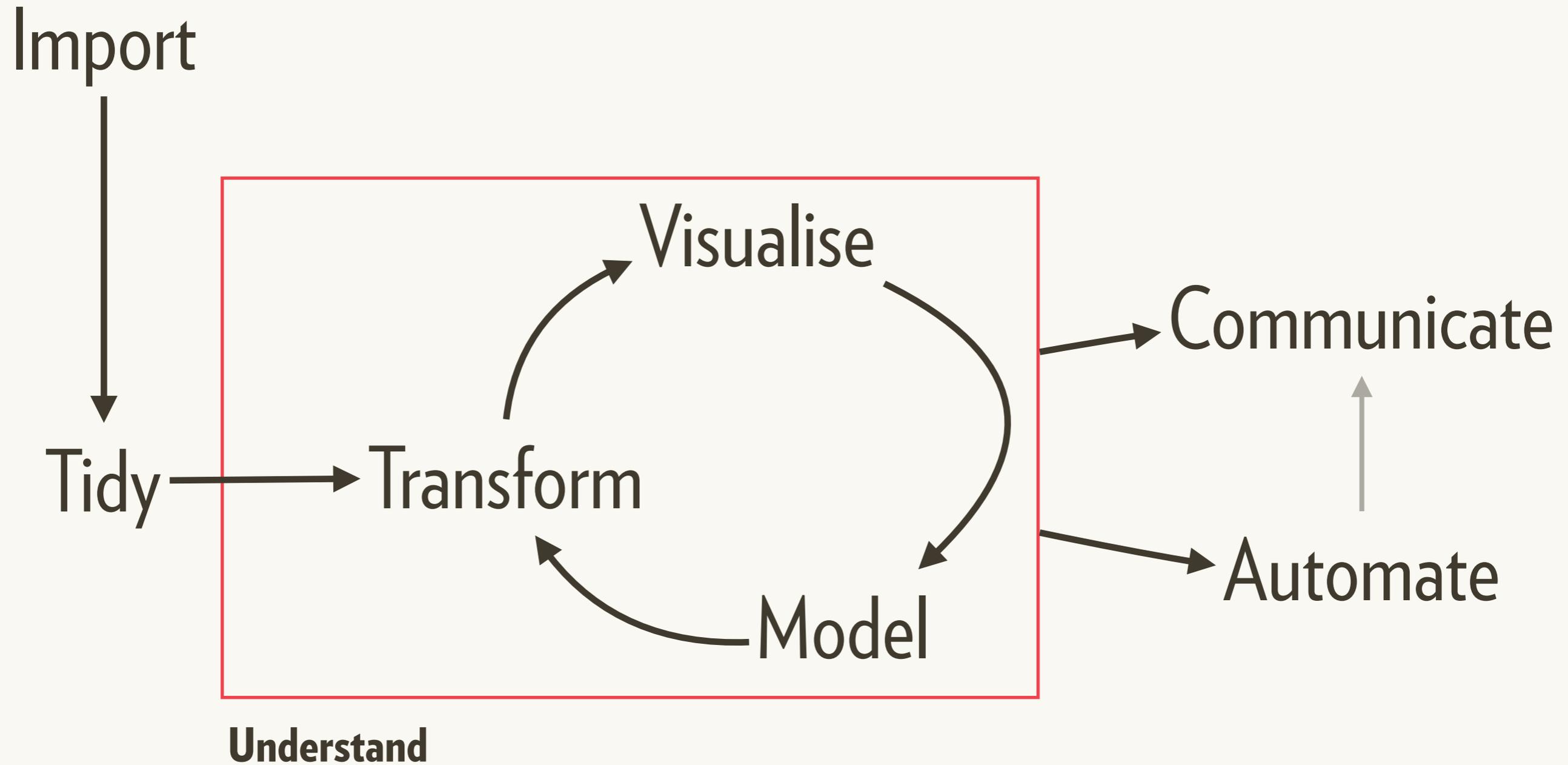


# Managing many models

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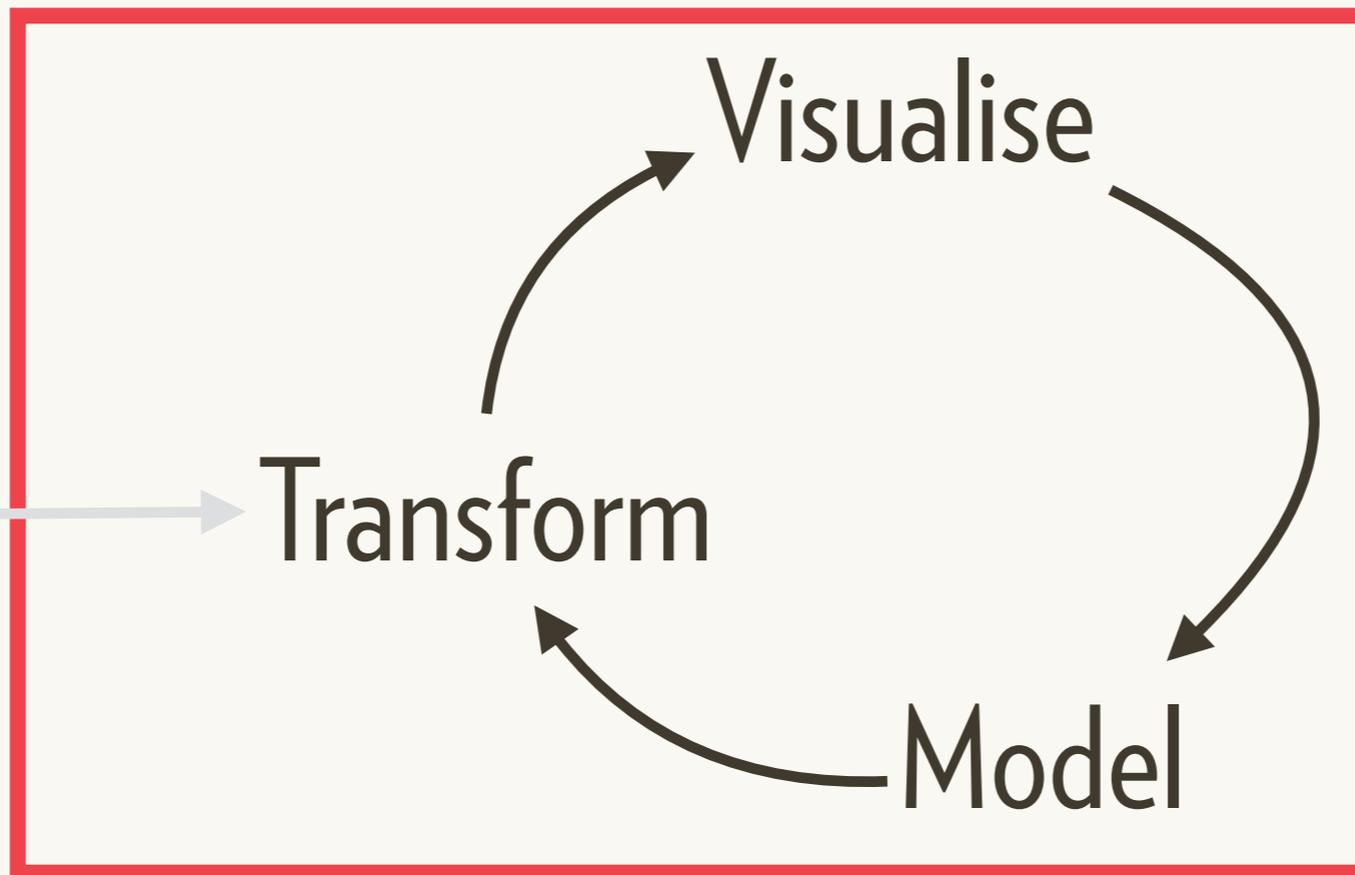
# There are 7 key components of data science



# Today I want to focus on understanding

Import

Tidy



**Exploratory data analysis**

Communicate

Automate

Gapminder data

142 countries

80

60

40

1950

1960

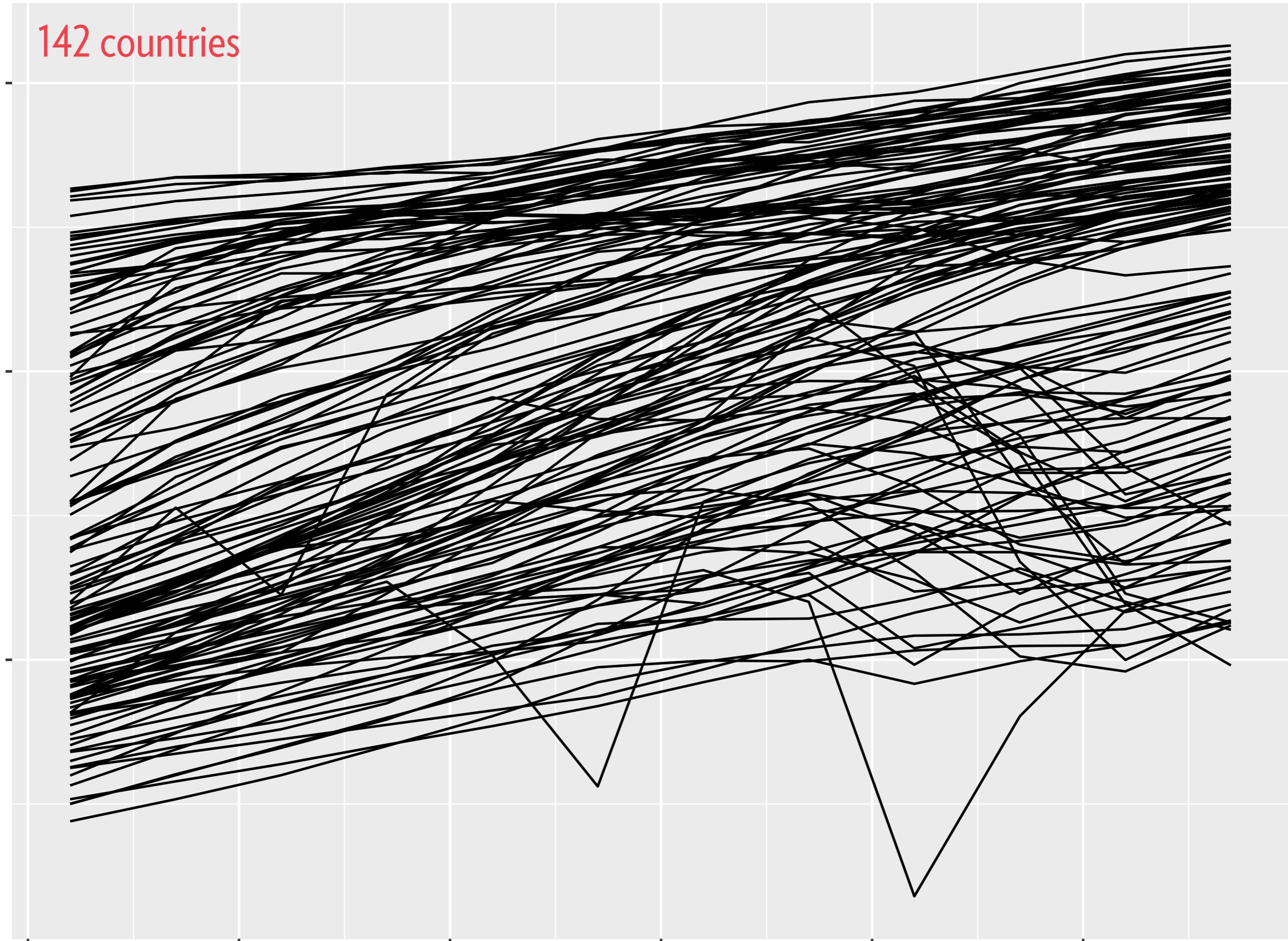
1970

1980

1990

2000

year



# One way to handle is to fit a model to each country

New Zealand	
year	lifeEx
1952	69.4
1957	70.3
1962	71.2
1967	71.5
...	...

`lm(lifeExp ~ year, data = nz)`

$R^2=0.95$   
*glance*

	Intercept
	-307.7
	Slope
	0.19

*tidy*

	year	resid
	1952	0.70
	1957	0.61
	1962	0.63
	1967	-0.05
	...	...

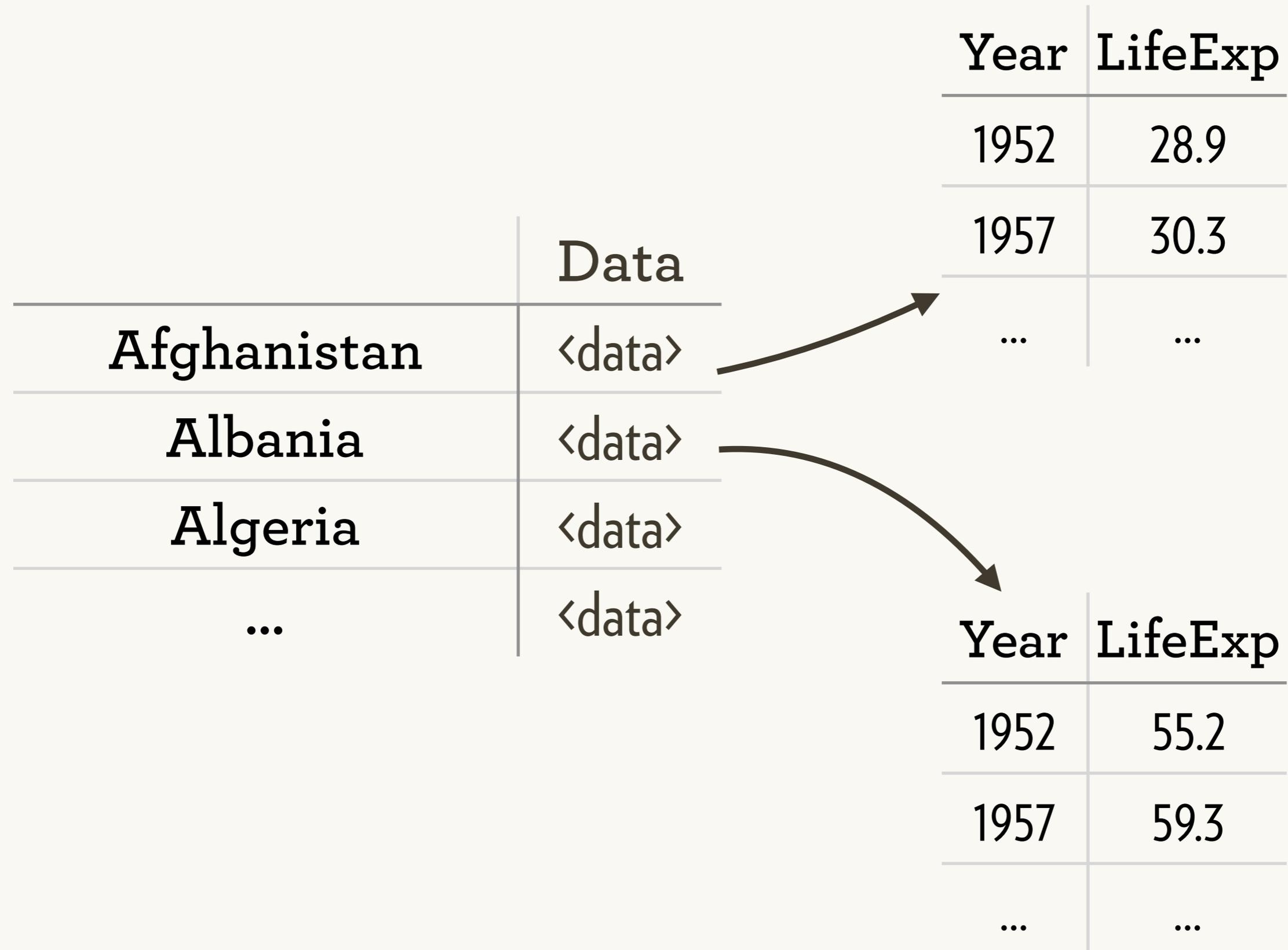
*augment*

**Broom**, by David Robinson, makes this easy!

To do that for many countries, we need a list of data frames

	<b>Year</b>	<b>LifeEx</b>
<b>Afghanistan</b>	1952	28.9
<b>Afghanistan</b>	1957	30.3
<b>Afghanistan</b>	...	...
<b>Albania</b>	1952	55.2
<b>Albania</b>	1957	59.3
<b>Albania</b>	...	...
<b>Algeria</b>	...	...
...	...	

A **nested** data frame has one row per group



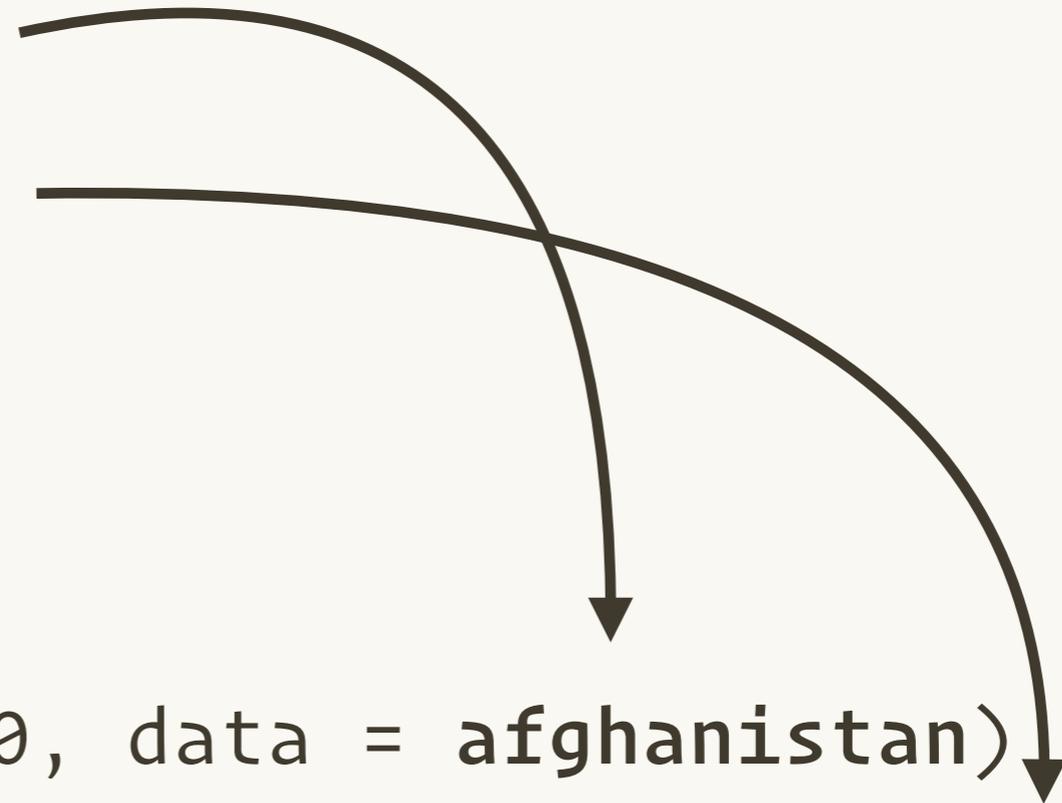
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...	<data>

`lm(lifeExp ~ year1950, data = afghanistan)`

`lm(lifeExp1950 ~ year, data = albania)`



# Why for loops are bad

An digression with cupcakes

Why for loops  
~~are bad~~  
suboptimal

An digression with cupcakes

# Vanilla cupcakes

The hummingbird  
bakery cookbook

1 cup flour  
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3 T unsalted butter  
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Preheat oven to 350°F.

Put the flour, sugar, baking powder, salt, and butter in a freestanding electric mixer with a paddle attachment and beat on slow speed until you get a sandy consistency and everything is combined.

Whisk the milk, egg, and vanilla together in a pitcher, then slowly pour about half into the flour mixture, beat to combine, and turn the mixer up to high speed to get rid of any lumps.

Turn the mixer down to a slower speed and slowly pour in the remaining milk mixture. Continue mixing for a couple of more minutes until the batter is smooth but do not overmix.

Spoon the batter into paper cases until  $\frac{2}{3}$  full and bake in the preheated oven for 20-25 minutes, or until the cake bounces back when touched.

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```
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```

```
means <- double(ncol(df))
```

```
for(i in seq_along(df)) {
```

```
  means[[i]] <- mean(x[[i]], na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
}
```

```
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120g flour

140g sugar

1.5 t baking powder

40g unsalted butter

120ml milk

1 egg

0.25 t pure vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 170°C.

Put the flour, sugar, baking powder, salt, and butter in a freestanding electric mixer with a paddle attachment and beat on slow speed until you get a sandy consistency and everything is combined.

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Beat flour, sugar, baking powder, salt, and butter until sandy.

Whisk milk, egg, and vanilla. Mix half into flour mixture until smooth (use high speed). Beat in remaining half. Mix until smooth.

Bake 20-25 min at 170°C.

# For loops emphasise the data

```
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```
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```

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  median[[i]] <- median(x[[i]], na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
}
```

# Purrr emphasises the action

```
library(purrr)
means <- map_dbl(df, mean)
medians <- map_dbl(df, median)
```

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## Vanilla

120g flour

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1.5t baking powder

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120ml milk

1 egg

0.25 t vanilla

## Chocolate

100g flour

20g cocoa

140g sugar

1.5t baking powder

40g butter

120ml milk

1 egg

0.25 t vanilla

Similarly, purrr lets you create more complex recipes

```
df <- data.frame(...)
```

```
col_sum <- function(df, f) {  
  df %>%  
    keep(is_numeric) %>%  
    map_dbl(f)  
}
```

```
means <- col_sum(df, mean)
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}
```

```
means <- col_sum(df, mean)
```

```
medians <- col_sum(df, median)
```

# Cupcakes

	Flour	Baking powder	Sugar	Butter	Egg	Extra
Vanilla	120	1.5	140	40	1	0.25t vanilla
Chocolate	100	1.5	140	40	1	20g cocoa • 0.25t vanilla
Lemon	120	1.5	140	40	1	2T lemon zest
Red velvet	150	0	150	60	1	10g cocoa • 20ml red colouring • 1.5t vinegar • 0.5 t baking soda

5. Store as data

# In R, we can store functions in lists

```
funcs <- list(  
  mean = mean,  
  median = median,  
  sd = sd  
)
```

```
map(funcs, col_sum, df = df)
```

Back to gapminder

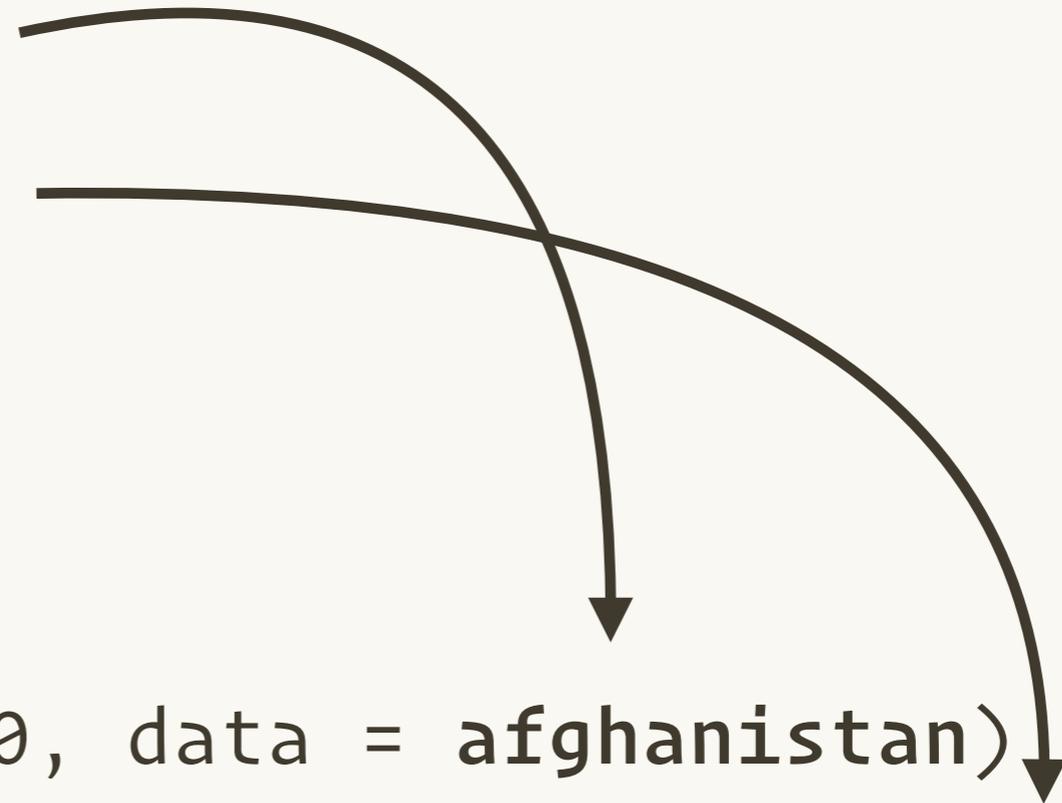
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...	<data>

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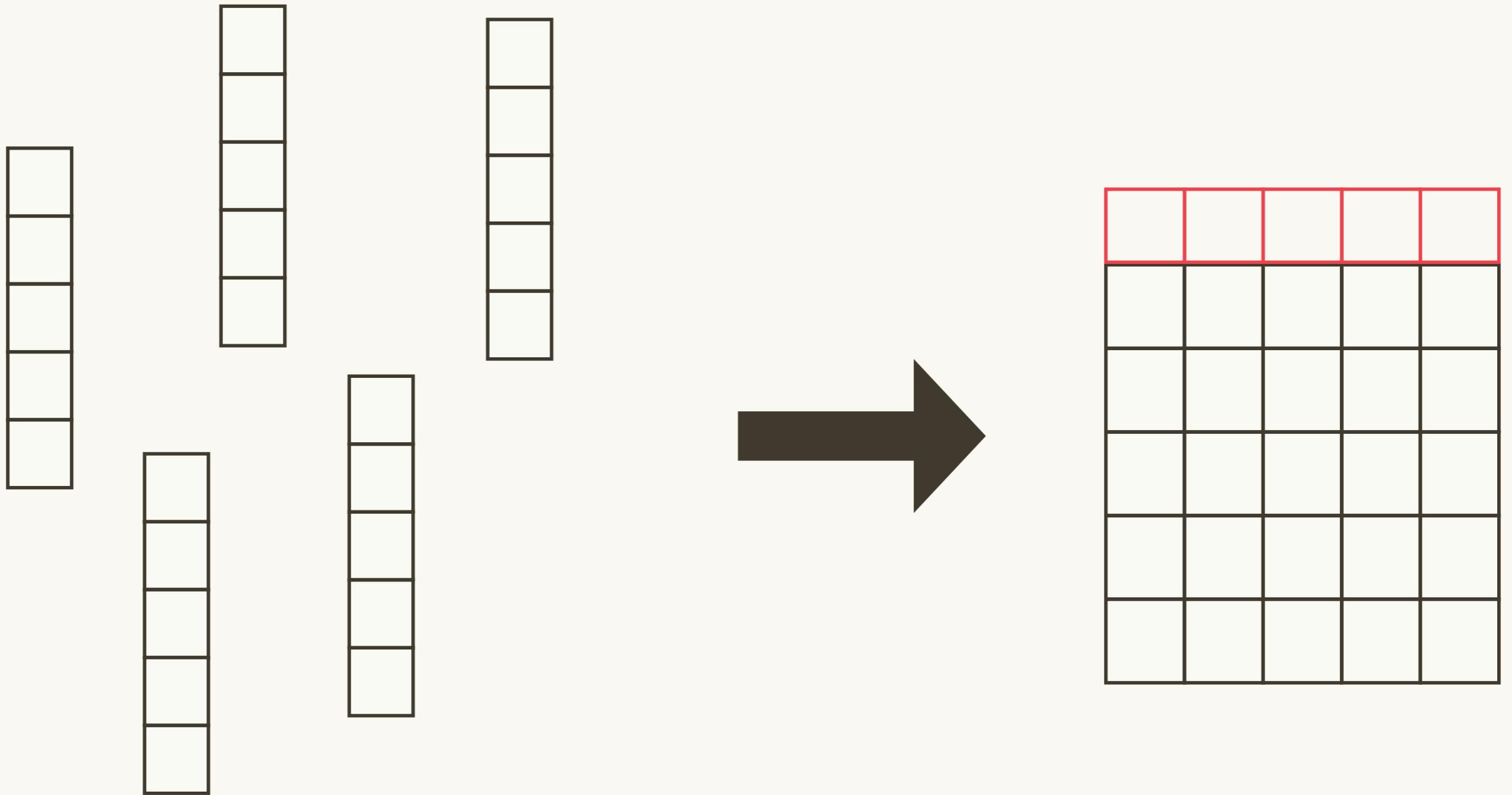


```
map(by_country$data, ~ lm(year1950 ~ year, data = .))
```

*# same as*

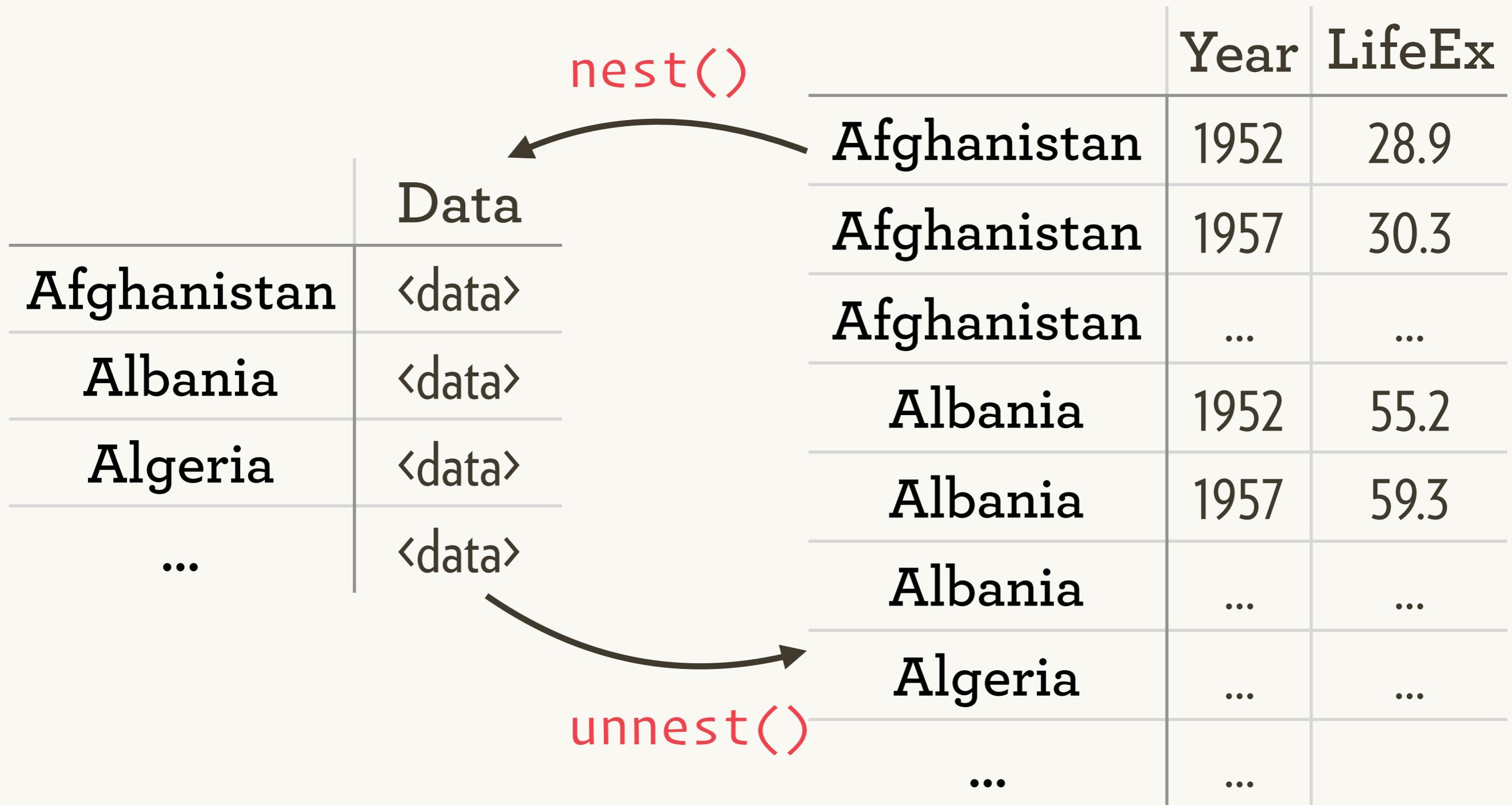
```
out <- vector("list", length(by_country$data))
for (i in seq_along(by_country$data)) {
  df <- by_country$data[[i]]
  out[[i]] <- lm(year1950 ~ year, data = df)
}
```

# Multiple lists make it easy to lose context

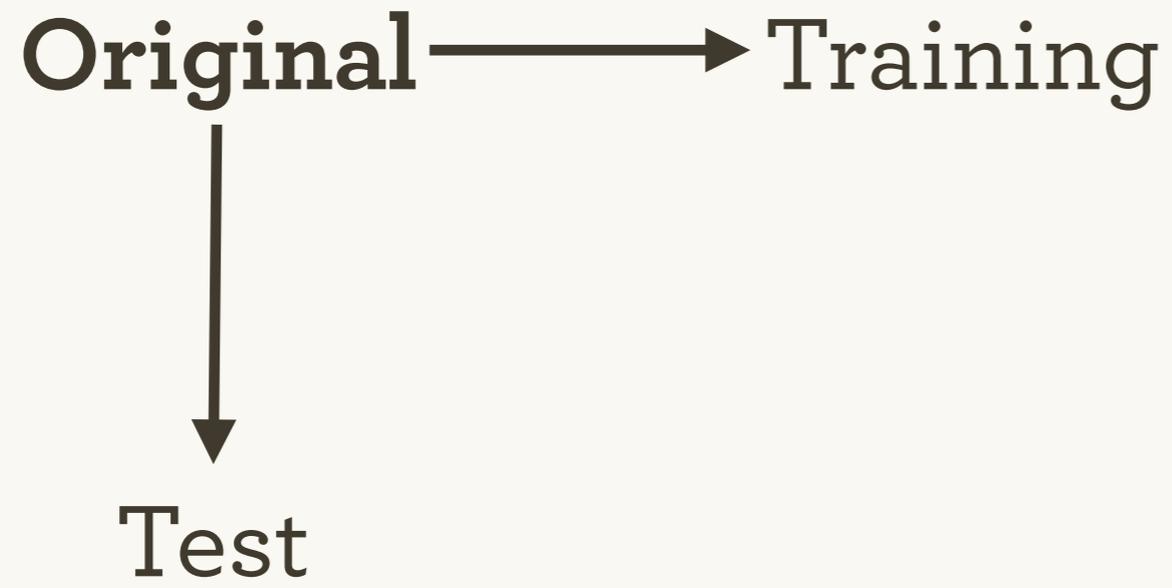


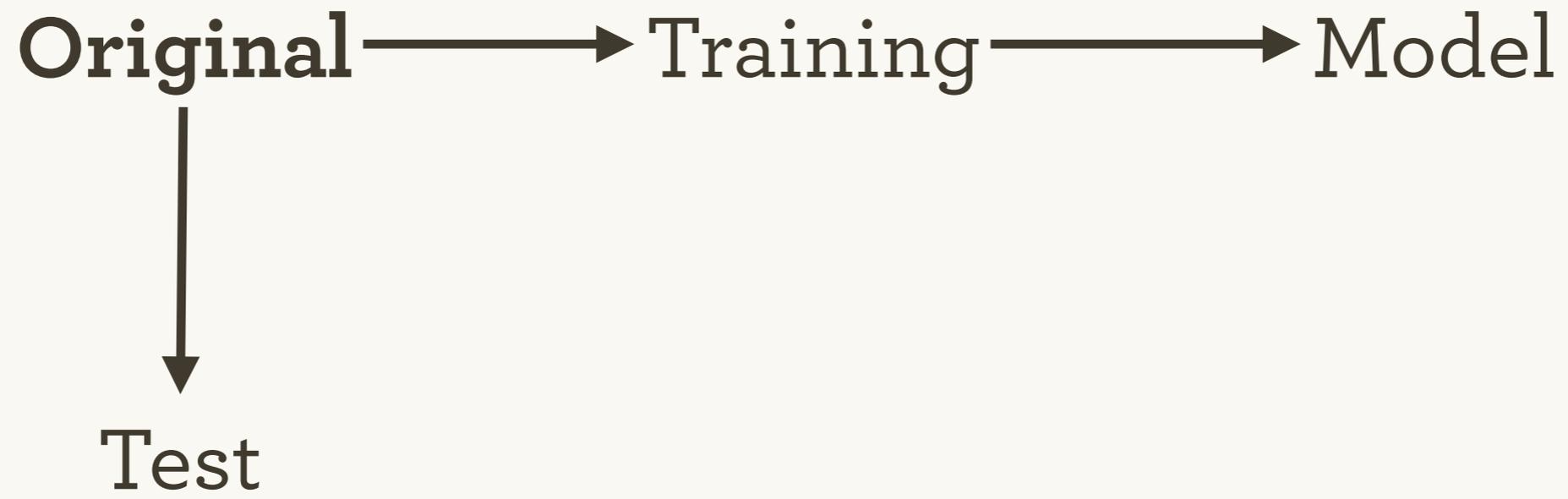
So use a data frame!

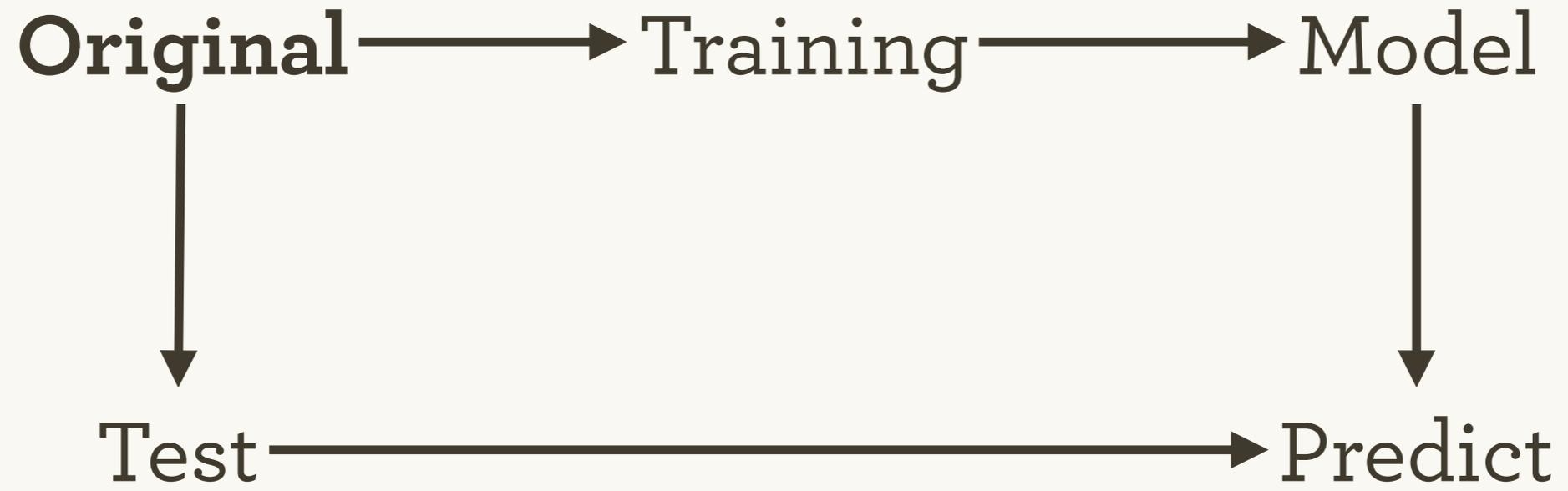
# Unnesting is reverse of nesting

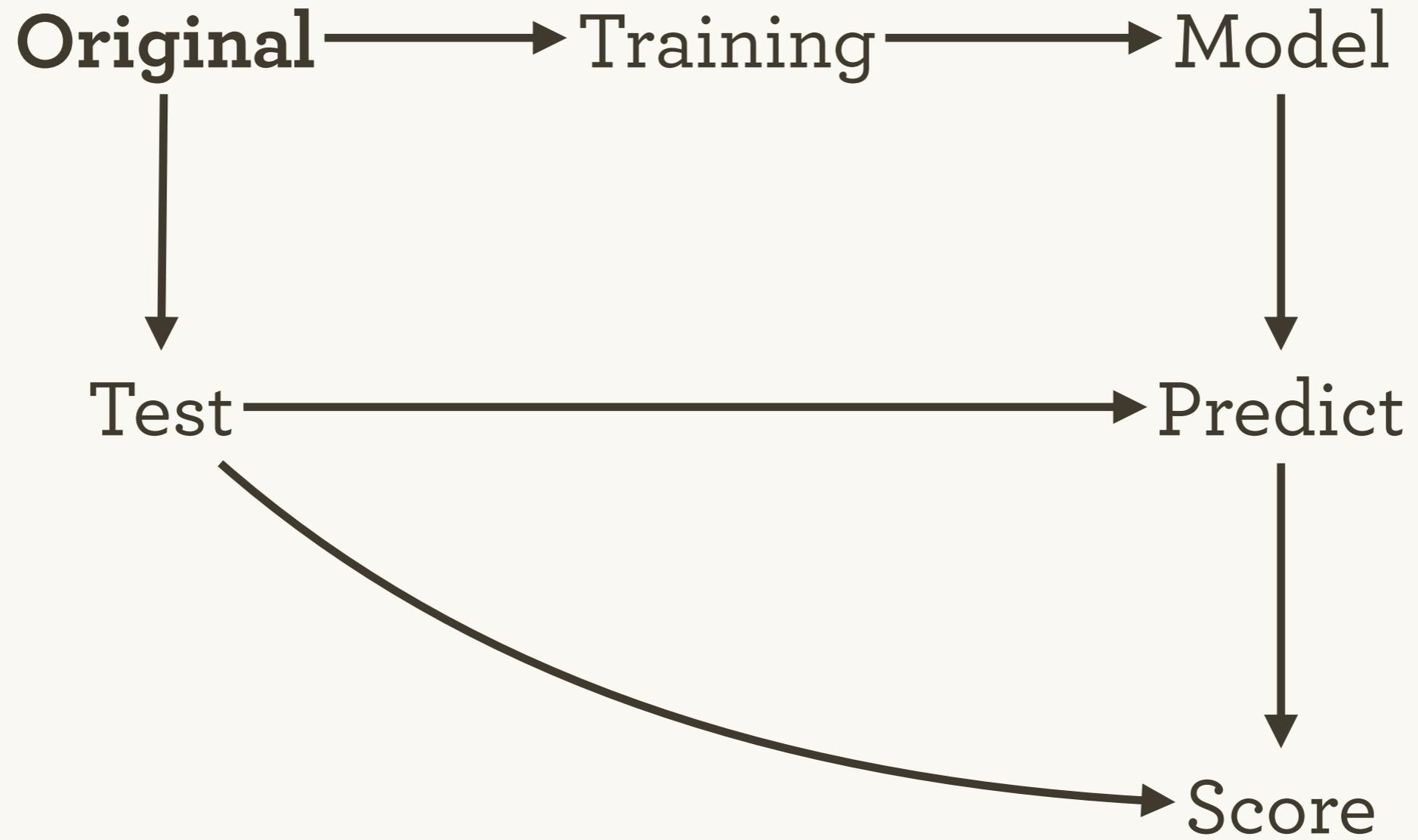


# Cross-validation









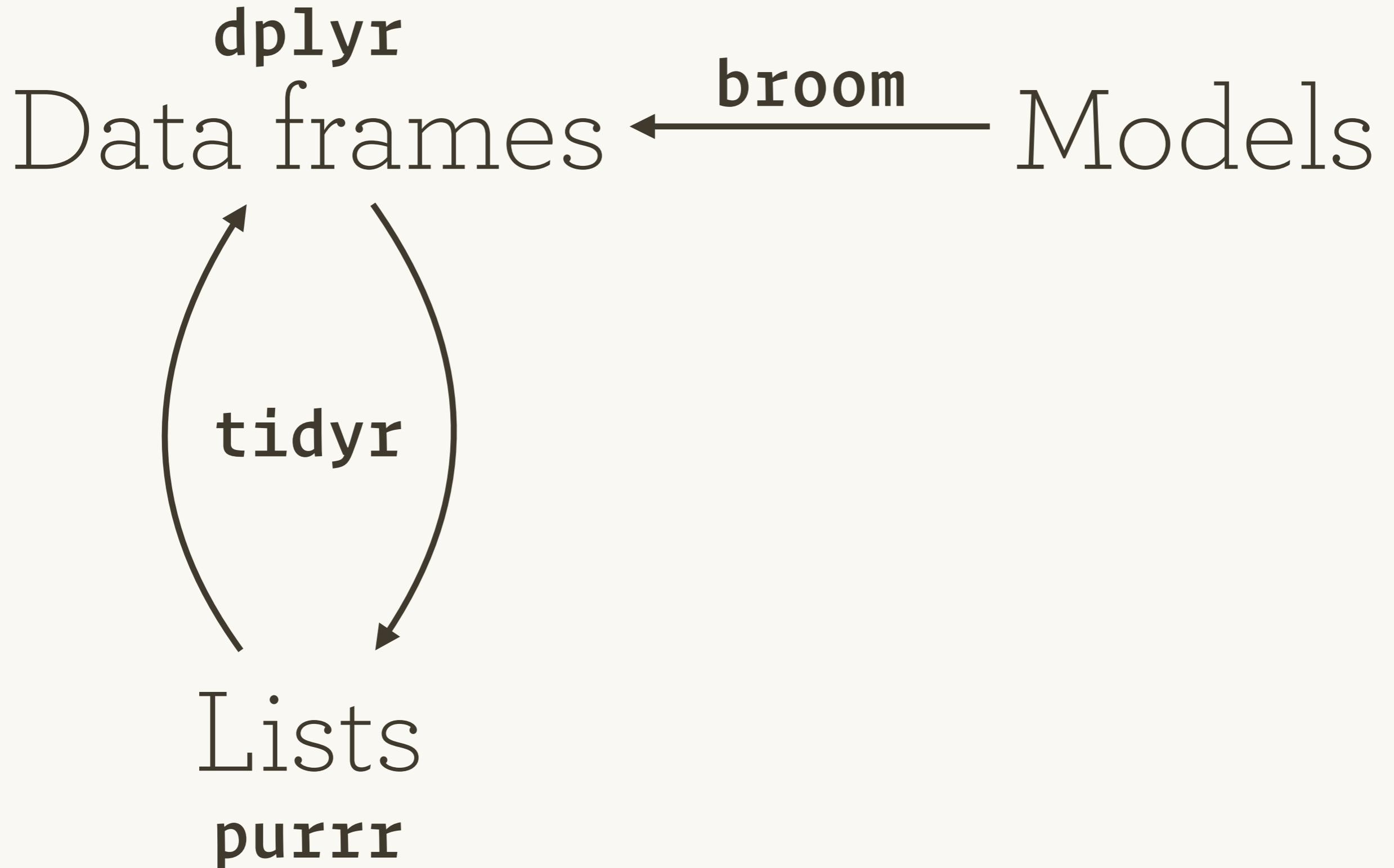
	<b>Test</b>	<b>Training</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Prediction</b>	<b>Score</b>
1	df	df	lm	vector	number
2	df	df	lm	vector	number
3	df	df	lm	vector	number
4	df	df	lm	vector	number
	...	...	...	...	...

```
crossv <- partition(mtcars, 100, c(  
  test = 0.2,  
  training = 0.8  
))
```

```
crossv <- crossv %>% mutate(  
  # Fit the models  
  model = map(training, ~ lm(mpg ~ wt, data = .)),  
  # Make predictions on test data  
  pred = map2(model, test, predict),  
  # Evaluate difference between predicted  
  diff = map2_dbl(pred, test %>% map("mpg"), msd)  
)
```

Conclusion

1. Store related objects in list-columns.
2. Learn FP so you can focus on verbs, not objects.
3. Use broom to convert models to tidy data.



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