CMPU 101 § 51 · Computer Science I

Working with Tables

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Lab 2

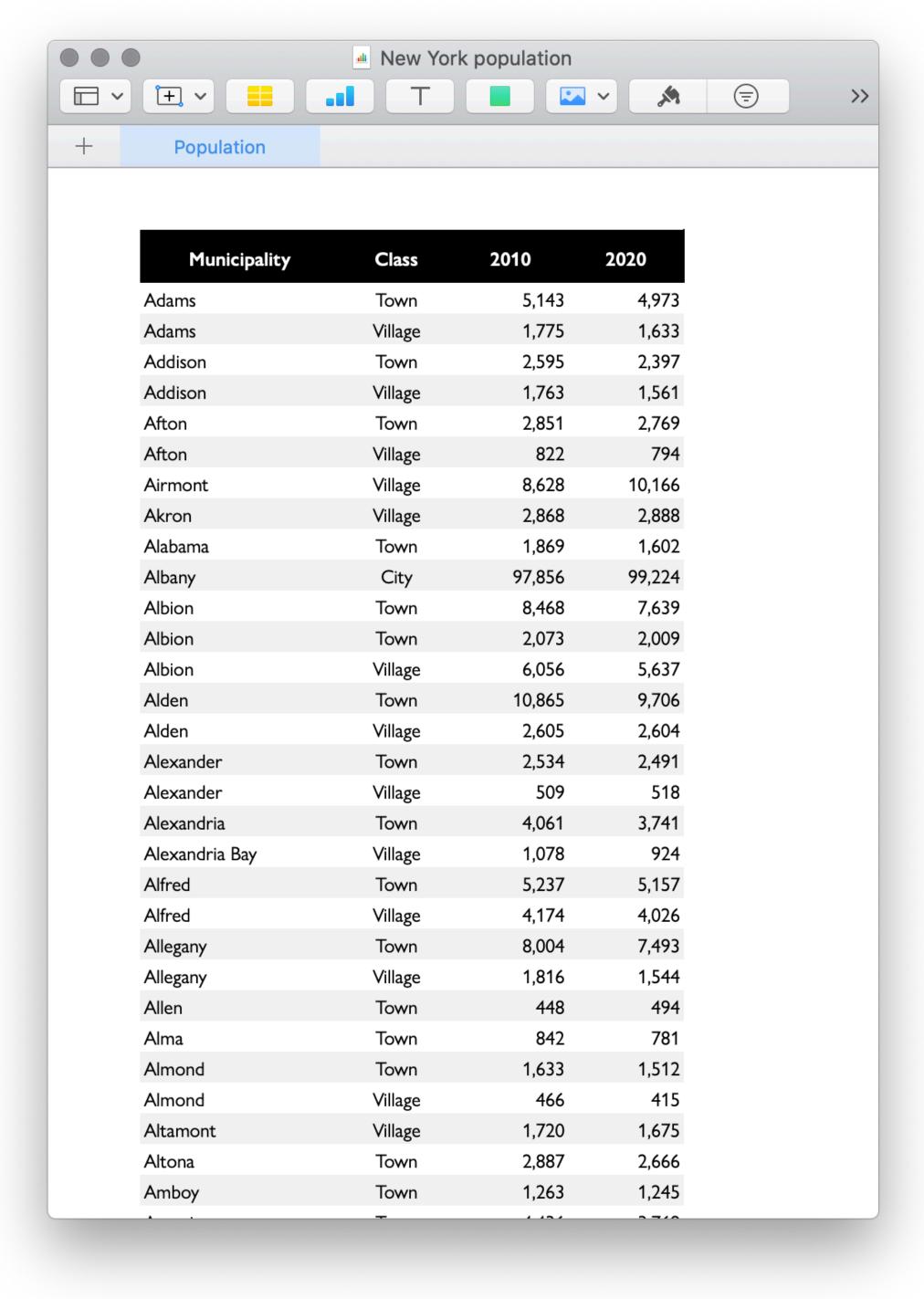
Due Friday

Assignment 2

Due Wednesday

Where are we?

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  ...
  end
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"Afton"	"Village"	822	794
"Airmont"	"Village"	8628	10166
"Akron"	"Village"	2868	2888
"Alabama"	"Town"	1869	1602
"Albany"	"City"	97856	99224
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Recap: Accessing parts of a table

To get a particular row from a table, we use its numeric index n, counting from 0:

.row-n(0)

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>>> municipalities.row-n(1)

"name"	"Adams"	"kind"	"Village"	"pop-2010"	1775	"pop-2020"	1633	
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>>> municipalities.row-n(2)

"name"	"Addison"	"kind"	"Town"	"pop-2010"	2595	"pop-2020"	2397
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To get a particular column's value from a row, we specify the column name using square brackets:

⟨row⟩["column name"]

>>> municipalities.row-n(0)

"name" "Adams"	"kind"	"Town"	"pop-2010"	5143	"pop-2020"	4973	
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>>> municipalities.row-n(0)

```
"name" "Adams" "kind" "Town" "pop-2010" 5143 "pop-2020" 4973
```

```
>>> municipalities.row-n(0)["name"]
"Adams"
```

>>> municipalities.row-n(0)["pop-2020"]
4973

Recap: Ordering tables

To do more with tabular data, first include the textbook library:

```
include shared-gdrive("dcic-2021",
    "1wyQZj_L0qqV9Ekgr9au6RX2iqt2Ga8Ep")
```

We can transform tabular data to get a particular view. E.g., to order the rows from the highest 2010 population to the lowest:

>>> order-by(municipalities, "pop-2010", false)

name	kind	pop-2010	pop-2020
"New York"	"City"	8175133	8804190
"Hempstead"	"Town"	759757	793409
"Brookhaven"	"Town"	486040	485773
"Islip"	"Town"	335543	339938
"Oyster Bay"	"Town"	293214	301332
"Buffalo"	"City"	261310	278349
"North Hempstead"	"Town"	226322	237639

We can transform tabular data to get a particular view. E.g., to order the rows from the lowest 2010 population to the highest:

>>> order-by(municipalities, "pop-2010", | true |)

name	kind	pop-2010	pop-2020
"Dering Harbor"	"Village"	11	50
"Saltaire"	"Village"	37	113
"Red House"	"Town"	38	27
"West Hampton Dunes"	"Village"	55	126
"Montague"	"Town"	78	97
"Ocean Beach"	"Village"	79	153
"Morehouse"	"Town"	86	92

>>> municipalities.row-n(0)



>>> order-by(municipalities, "pop-2010", false).row-n(0)



This makes it easy to get the row for the municipality with the highest 2010 population.

>>> municipalities.row-n(0)

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"name" "Adams" "kind" "Town" "pop-2010" 5143 "pop-2020" 4973
```

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Or, to make it more readable, we can split the computation into parts, using names So, to see the 2010 population for the biggest municipality, we could write the computation like this.

```
>>> ordered = order-by(municipalities, "pop-2010", false)
>>> biggest = ordered.row-n(0)
>>> biggest["pop-2010"]
8175133
```

Recap: Filtering tables

Make a table keeping only those municipalities with a 2010 population over 10,000:

```
fun big-muni(r :: Row) -> Boolean:
  doc: "Return true if the municipality had over
10,000 people had in 2010"
  r["pop-2010"] > 10000
end
```

>>> filter-with(municipalities, big-muni)

name	kind	pop-2010	pop-2020
"Albany"	"City"	97856	99224
"Alden"	"Town"	10865	9706
"Amherst"	"Town"	122366	129595

Building columns

At the end of last class, we saw that we can also have functions on rows that don't return Booleans:

```
fun percent-change(r :: Row) -> Number:
    doc: "Compute the percentage change for the
population of the given municipality between 2010
and 2020"
    (r["pop-2020"] - r["pop-2010"]) /
    r["pop-2010"]
end
```

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Name of the function to use

So, if we have this table, t,

a	b
"dog"	2
"cat"	3

then the result of calling build-column(t, "c", builder) is:

a	b	C
"dog"	2	<pre>builder(<"dog", 2>)</pre>
"cat"	3	builder(<"cat", 3>)

For example, if we have

```
fun builder(r:: Row) -> Number:
   string-length(row["a"]) + row["b"]
end
```

Then we end up with the following table:

a	b	C
"dog"	2	5
"cat"	3	6

The values that the builder function returns will be the values in the new column we're adding to each row.

```
build-column ::
    (t :: Table,
    colname :: String,
    builder :: (Row -> A))
    -> Table
```

This is the second time we've seen a function that takes a function as one of its inputs!

Both **filter-with** and **build-column** need a helper function that tells them *how* to do what we want.

Just as a function is an abstraction over specific computations, **filter-with** and **build-column** are abstractions over more specific functions.

They provide the common functionality and the arguments we give provide the specifics.

Interlude: Functional programming

We can

sort the rows a table with order-with,

select certain rows using filter-with, and

add a new column of values with build-column

but none of these functions change the original table!

Just as the expression 2 + 3 doesn't change the value of 2 or of 3, functions that take a table as input don't change the original table.

Instead, they return a new table.

This is a paradigm called functional programming.

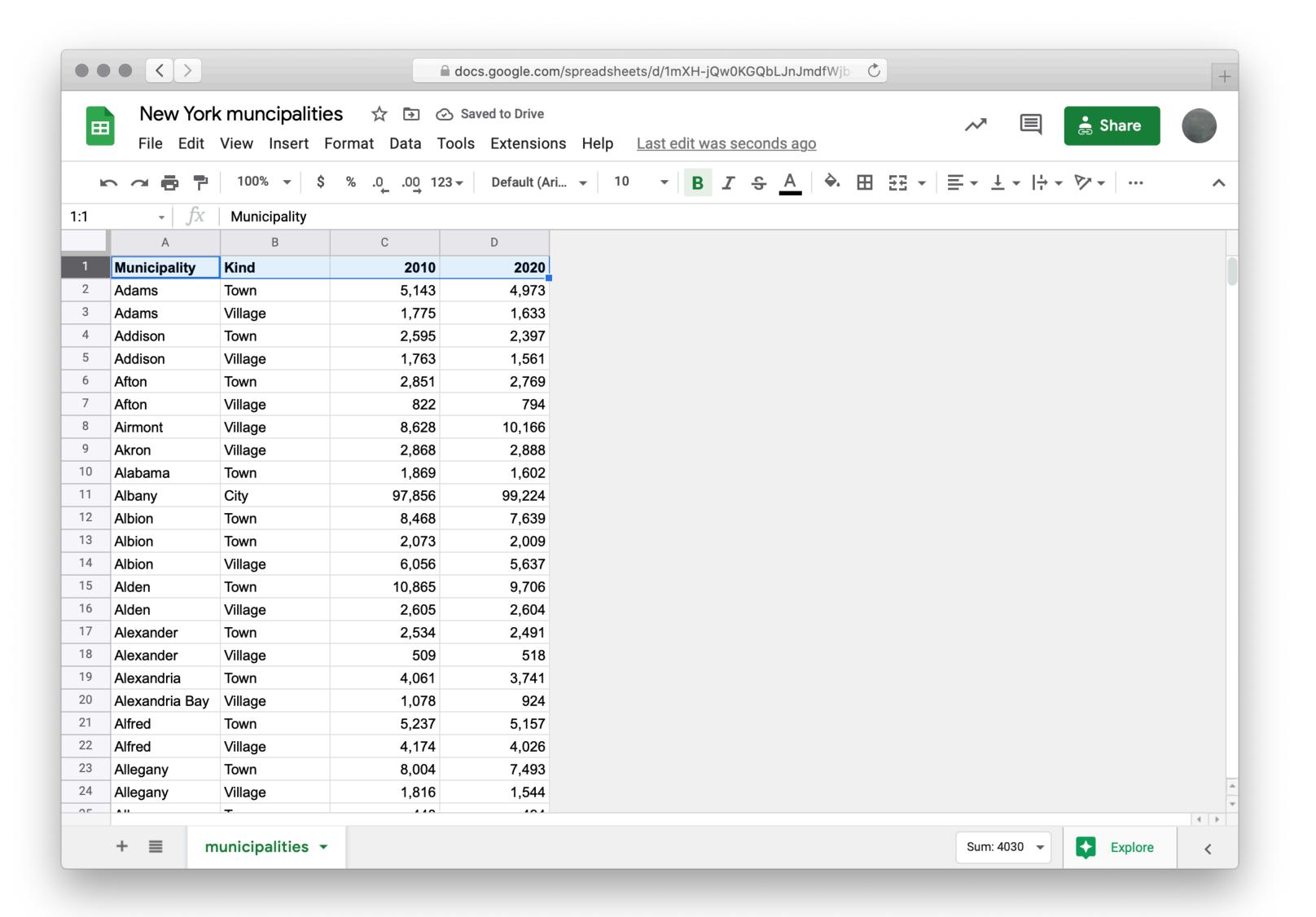
If you have experience working in other languages, this may seem strange, but it can be extremely useful!

We'll explore the idea of functional programming more in the coming weeks.

Loading Google Sheets into Pyret

We've seen that it's inconvenient to type a large table into a Pyret program. Last time, we loaded the municipalities table from a separate Pyret file that I prepared ahead of time.

More often, we'll want to load our data from outside of Pyret.



```
include gdrive-sheets
# The ID of the Google Sheets file, which appears
# in the URL
ssid = "1yZ-TeVJbmMyOGzVVI3FWxRS8Sd6uu-rrB5b-WIEdRAY"
spreadsheet = load-spreadsheet(ssid)
```

A spreadsheet might have more than one sheet (the tabs at the bottom of Google Sheets). But, in this case, we just have one:

```
>>> spreadsheet
spreadsheet("municipalities")
```

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```
municipalities =
  load-table:
    name :: String, kind :: String,
    pop-2010 :: Number, pop-2020 :: Number
    source:
    spreadsheet.sheet-by-name("municipalities",
    true)
  end
    This means there's a header row that Pyret should skip
```

Using our table loaded from Google Sheets, let's revisit our code from last class for finding the fastest growing towns.

```
fun is-town(r :: Row) -> Boolean:
 doc: "Check if a row is for a town"
  r["kind"] == "Town"
end
fun percent-change(r :: Row) -> Number:
 doc: "Compute the percentage change for the population of the
given municipality between 2010 and 2020"
  (r["pop-2020"] - r["pop-2010"]) / r["pop-2010"]
end
towns = filter-with(municipalities, is-town)
towns-with-percent-change =
  build-column(towns, "percent-change", percent-change)
fastest-growing-towns =
 order-by(towns-with-percent-change,
    "percent-change", false)
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                                                      Let's take these loose
fastest-growing-towns =
  order-by(towns-with-percent-change,
                                                      expressions and put
    "percent-change", false)
                                                     them in a function!
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end
fun fastest-growing-towns(munis :: Table) -> Table:
 doc: "Return a table of towns ordered by their growth"
  towns = filter-with(munis, is-town)
  towns-with-percent-change =
    build-column(towns, "percent-change", percent-change)
  order-by(towns-with-percent-change, "percent-change", false)
end
```

We've done a bit of a bad thing here: We've written three functions, but we don't have tests for any of them!

Let's see how we can rectify this.

Testing table functions

We can test table program by using test tables.

These are tables that have the same *structure* as the table for our real data, but which are *smaller* and contain data that are useful for testing.

```
test-municipalities =
  table: name, kind, pop-2010, pop-2020
  row: "Osgiliath", "City", 100, 101
  row: "Lake-town", "Town", 100, 102
  row: "Bee", "Village", 100, 99
  row: "Hobbiton", "Town", 50, 54
  end
```

Let's see how we use these test data to write examples for our table functions.

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  end
fun is-town(r :: Row) -> Boolean:
  doc: "Check if a row is for a town"
  r["kind"] == "Town"
where:
  is-town(test-municipalities.row-n(0)) is false
  is—town(test—municipalities.row—n(1)) is true
  is—town(test—municipalities.row—n(2)) is false
end
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where:
  percent-change(test-municipalities.row-n(0)) is 0.01
  percent-change(test-municipalities.row-n(1)) is 0.02
  percent-change(test-municipalities.row-n(2)) is -0.01
end
```

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  end
fun fastest-growing-towns(munis :: Table) -> Table:
                                                                Don't just copy the function's
  - - -
                                                                output; think through what it's
where:
  test-municipalities-after =
                                                                supposed to do!
    table: name, kind, pop-2010, pop-2020, percent-change
      row: "Hobbiton", "Town", 50, 54, 0.08
      row: "Lake-town", "Town", 100, 102, 0.02
    end
  fastest-growing-towns(test-municipalities) is test-municipalities-after
end
```

Program from today's class:

https://code.pyret.org/editor#share=1rkjGg0bH5sBbb0V2XzRRQqM3ixFCiuxd&v=6d122f0

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