

Color

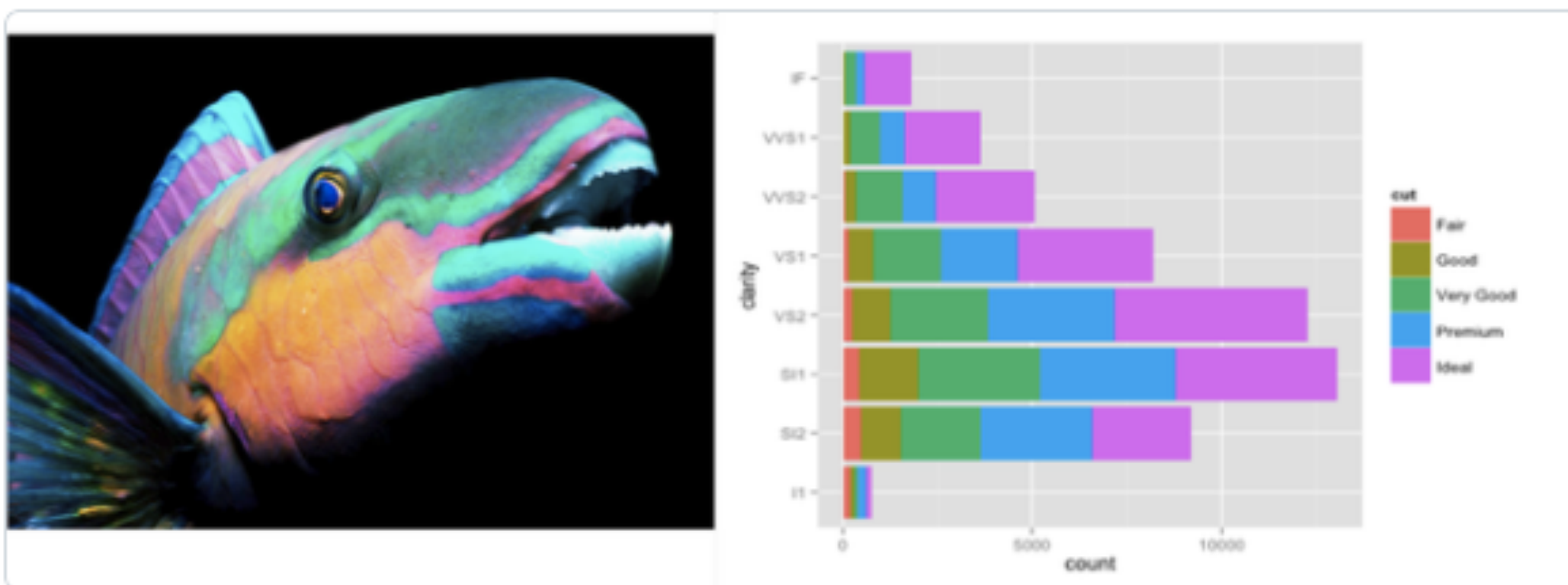
1. link between data and color palette
2. perceptually uniform color spaces
3. color vision deficiency



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guys. GUYS. I'm diving in Palau this week and I've found the
[#ggplot2](#) fish. [#rstats](#)

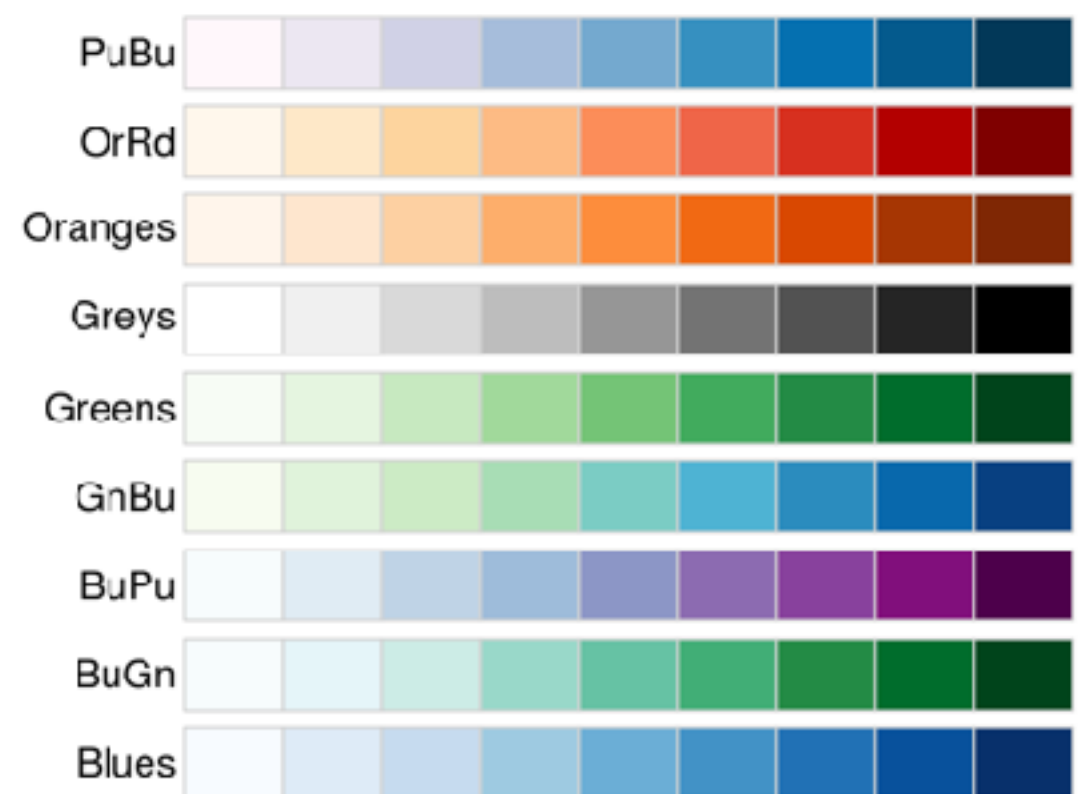
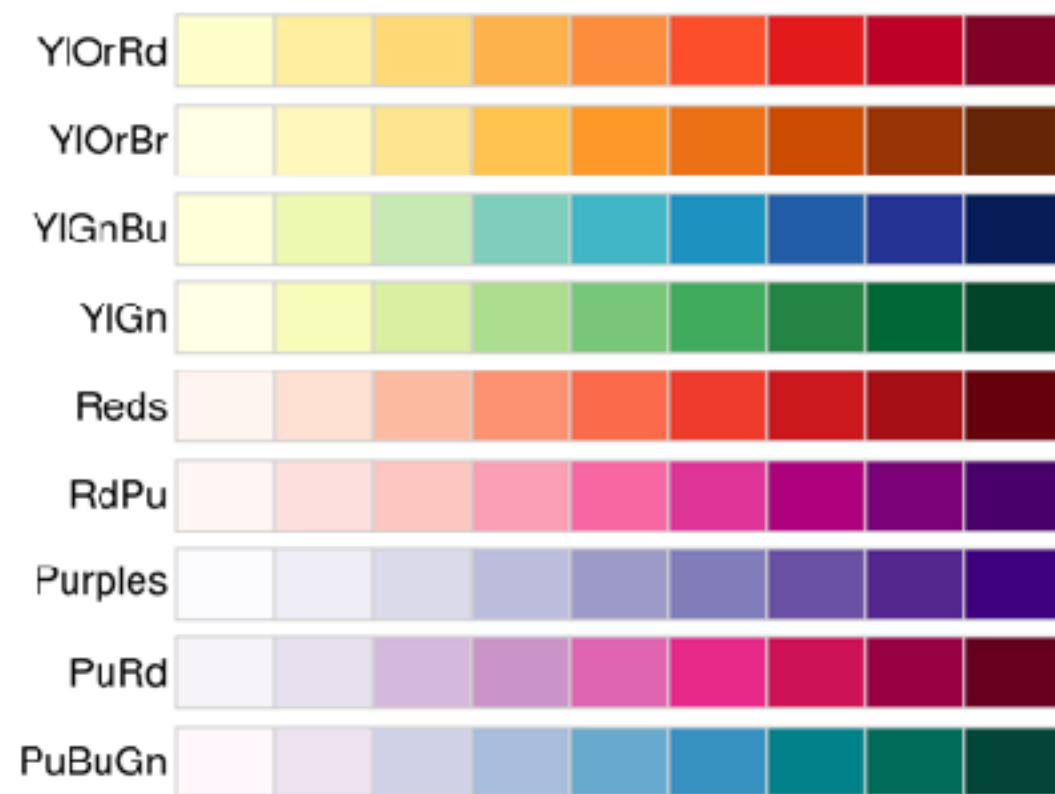


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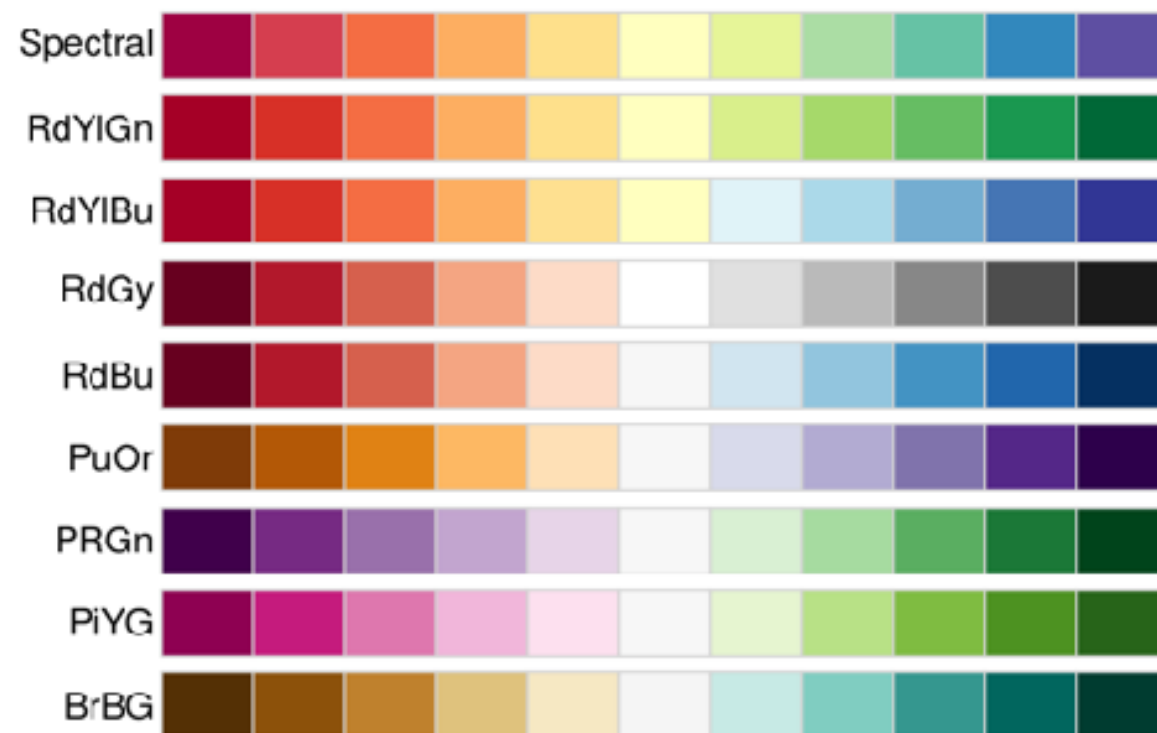
RColorBrewer Color Schemes

sequential



RColorBrewer Color Schemes

diverging



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qualitative (for categorical data)



Perceptually uniform color spaces

- don't blur important distinctions in the data
- don't add distinctions that don't exist in the data

`viridis` package

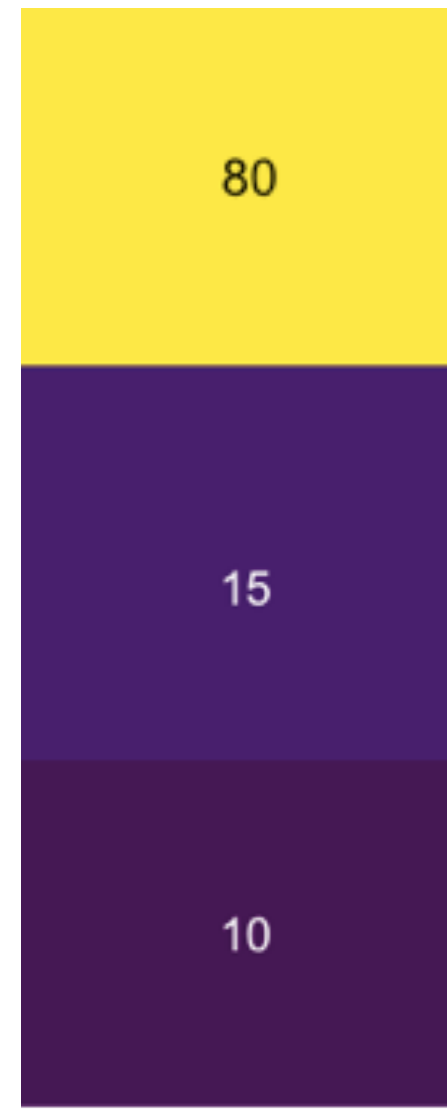
tl;dr

Use the color scales in this package to make plots that are pretty, better represent your data, easier to read by those with colorblindness, and print well in grey scale.

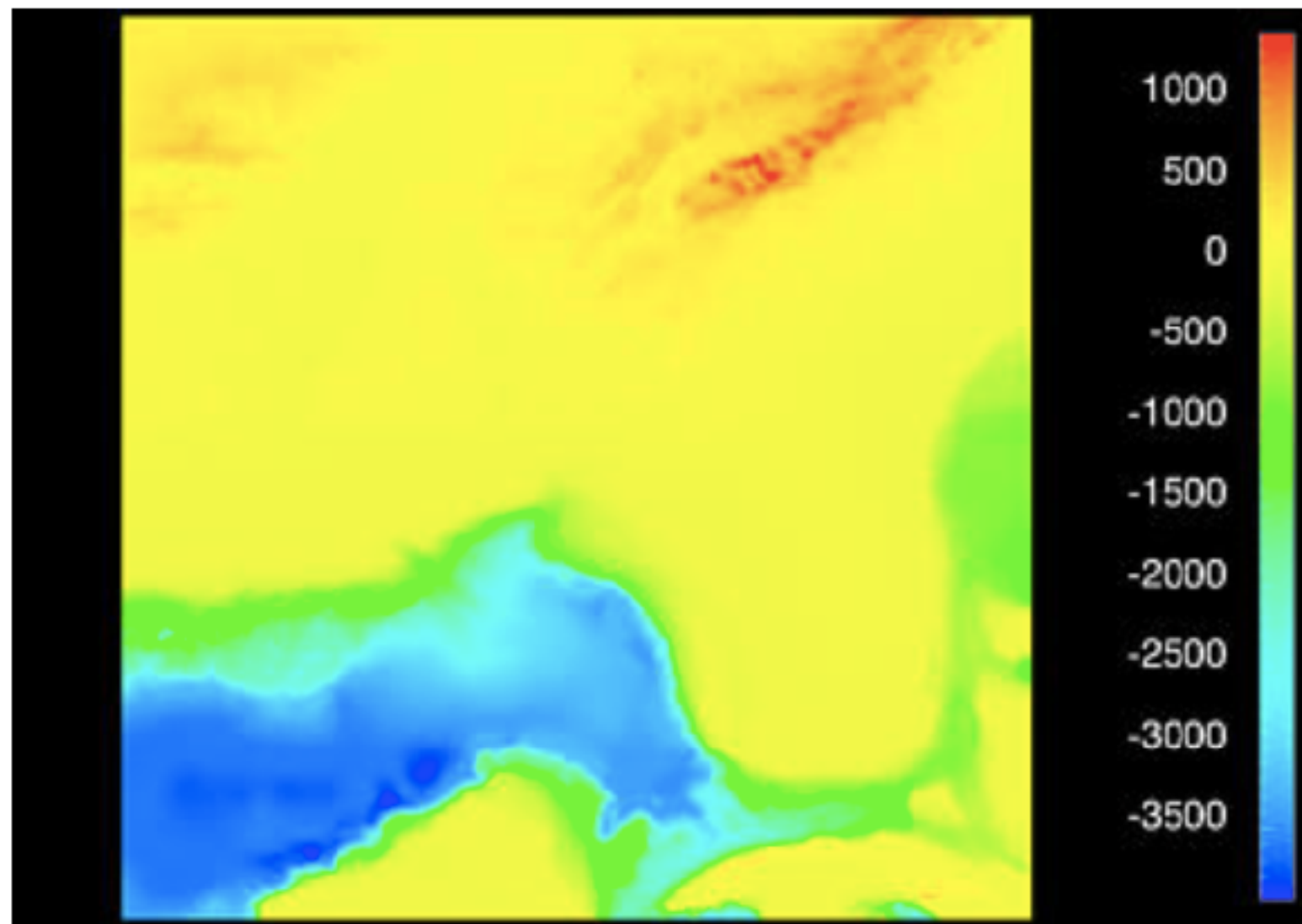
<http://bids.github.io/colormap/>

<http://matplotlib.org/users/colormaps.html>

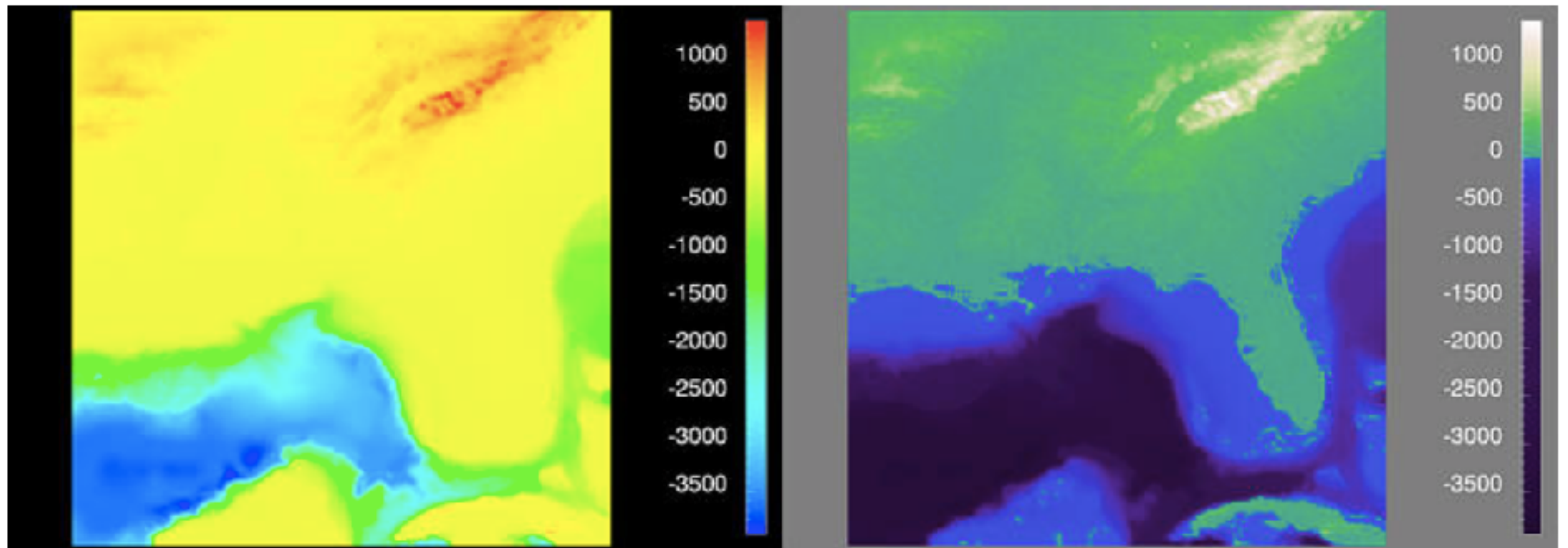
Perceptually uniform color space



viridis



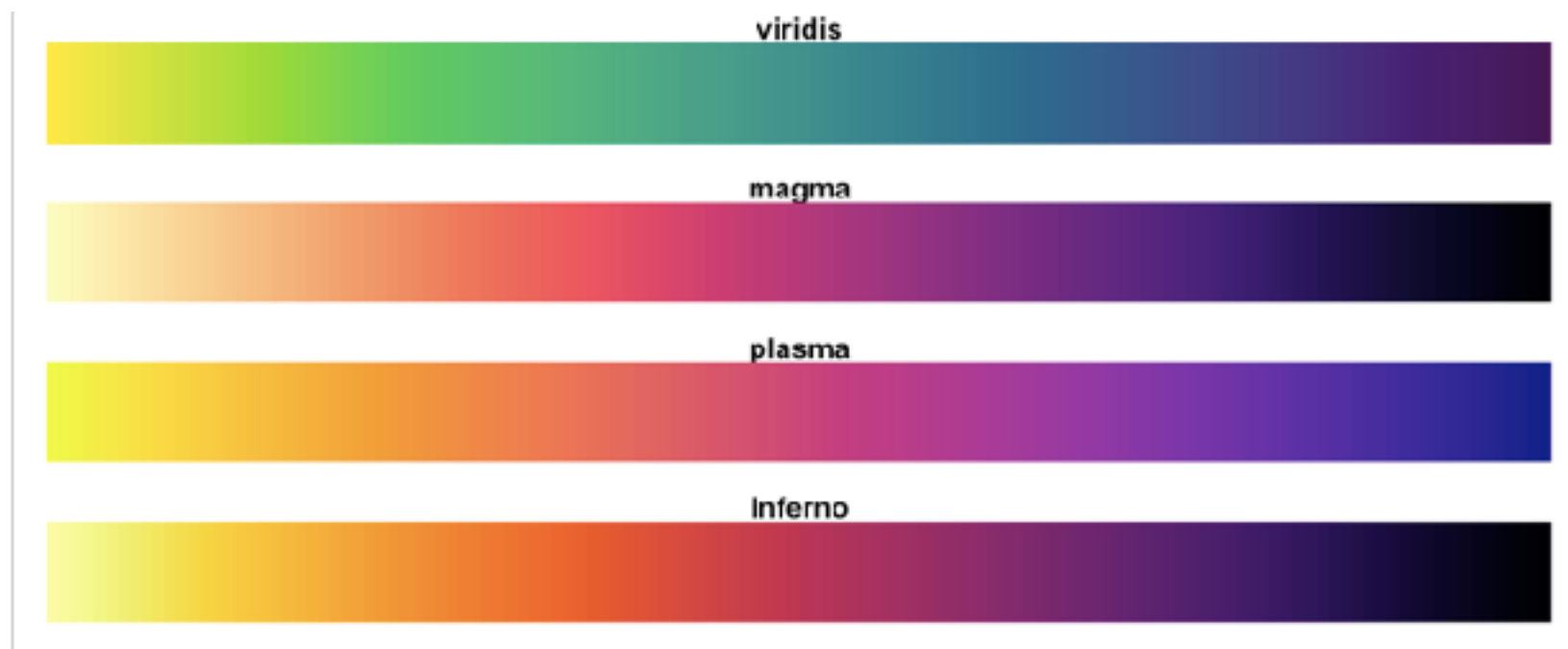
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Viridis Color Schemes

viridis



Continuous data

VIRIDIS

+ scale_color_viridis()

OR: `_fill_`

RCOLORBREWER

+ scale_color_distiller(palette = "PuBu")

~~+ scale_color_brewer(palette = "PuBu")~~ Error: Continuous value supplied to discrete scale]

~~+ scale_color_continuous(palette = "PuBu")~~ Error in f(..., self = self) : attempt to apply non-function]

CREATE YOUR OWN

+ scale_color_gradient(low = "white", high = "red")

+ scale_color_gradient2(low = "red", mid = "white", high = "blue", midpoint = 50)

+ scale_color_gradientn(colours = c("red", "pink", "lightblue", "blue"))

Discrete data

VIRIDIS

~~+ scale_color_viridis()~~ Error: Discrete value supplied to continuous scale
+ scale_color_viridis(discrete = TRUE)

RCOLORBREWER

+ scale_color_brewer(palette = "PuBu")
~~[+scale_color_discrete(palette = "PuBu")~~ Error in f(..., self = self) : attempt to apply non-function]
+ scale_fill_grey()

CREATE YOUR OWN

+ scale_color_manual(values = c("red", "yellow", "blue"))

Color Vision Deficiency

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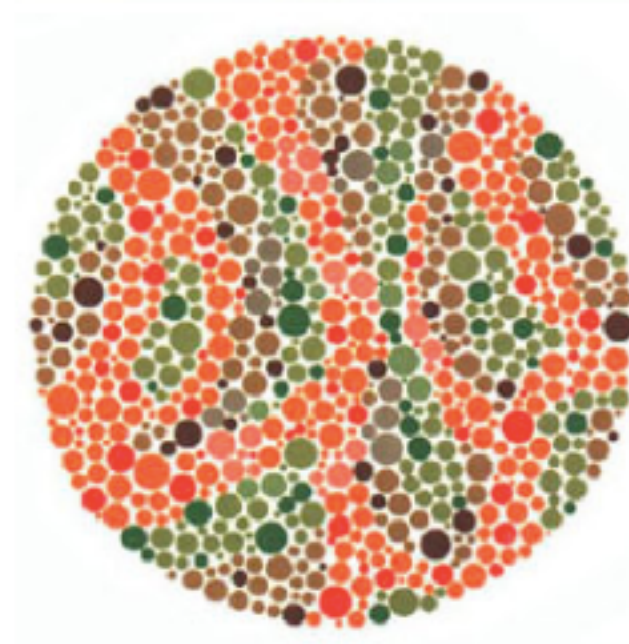
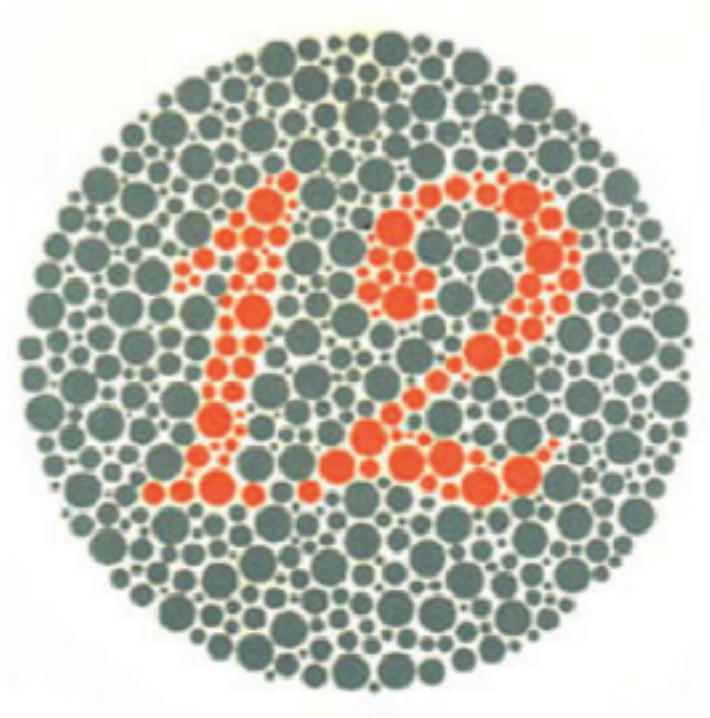
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Ishihara Test

tests for protonopia, deuteranopia



<http://unlimitedmemory.tripod.com/sitebuildercontent/sitebuilderfiles/ishihara38.pdf>

How to make CVD friendly graphs

- Use palettes that have already been tested
(see viridis help, + `scale_color_colorblind()` in ggthemes)

- Use a CVD simulator

www.vischeck.com

<http://www.color-blindness.com/coblis-color-blindness-simulator/>

- Use high contrast

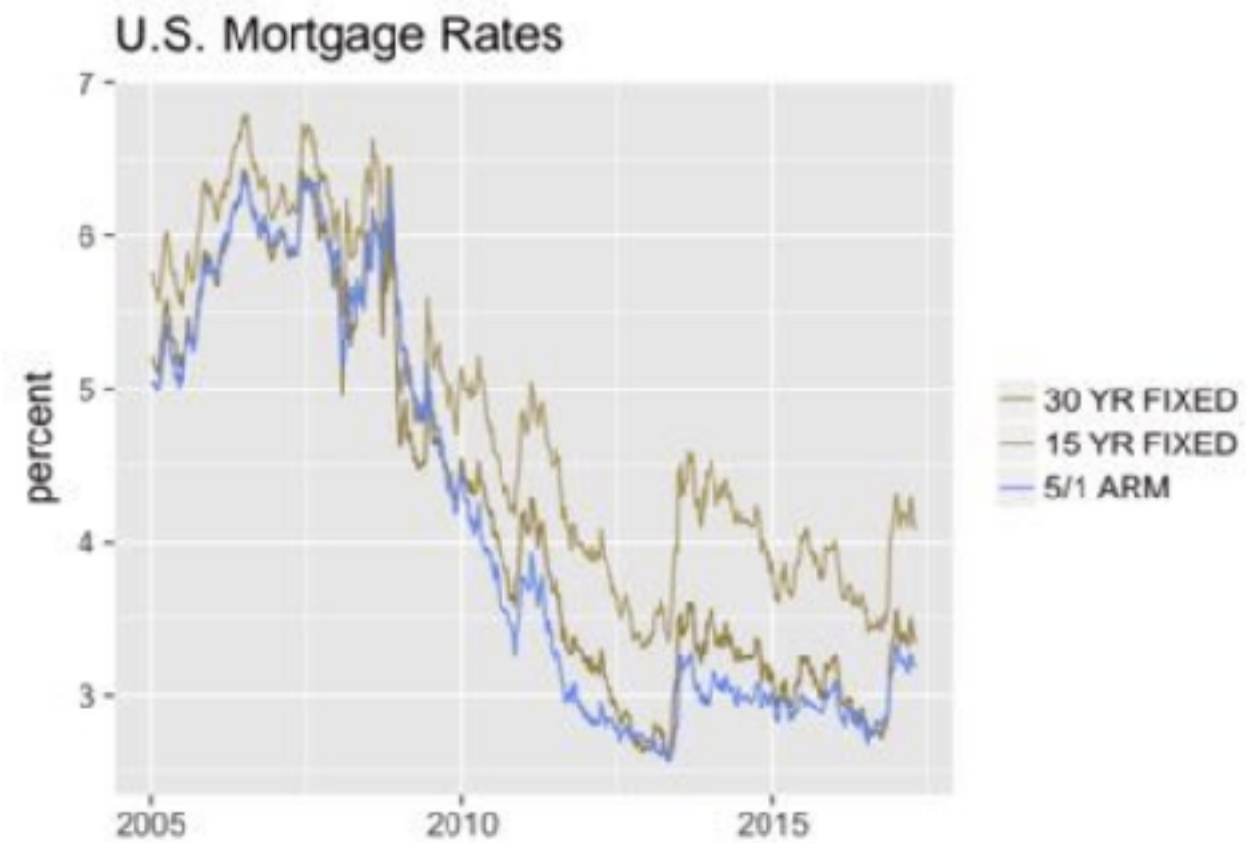
Try Vischeck on Your Image Files

Your Results:

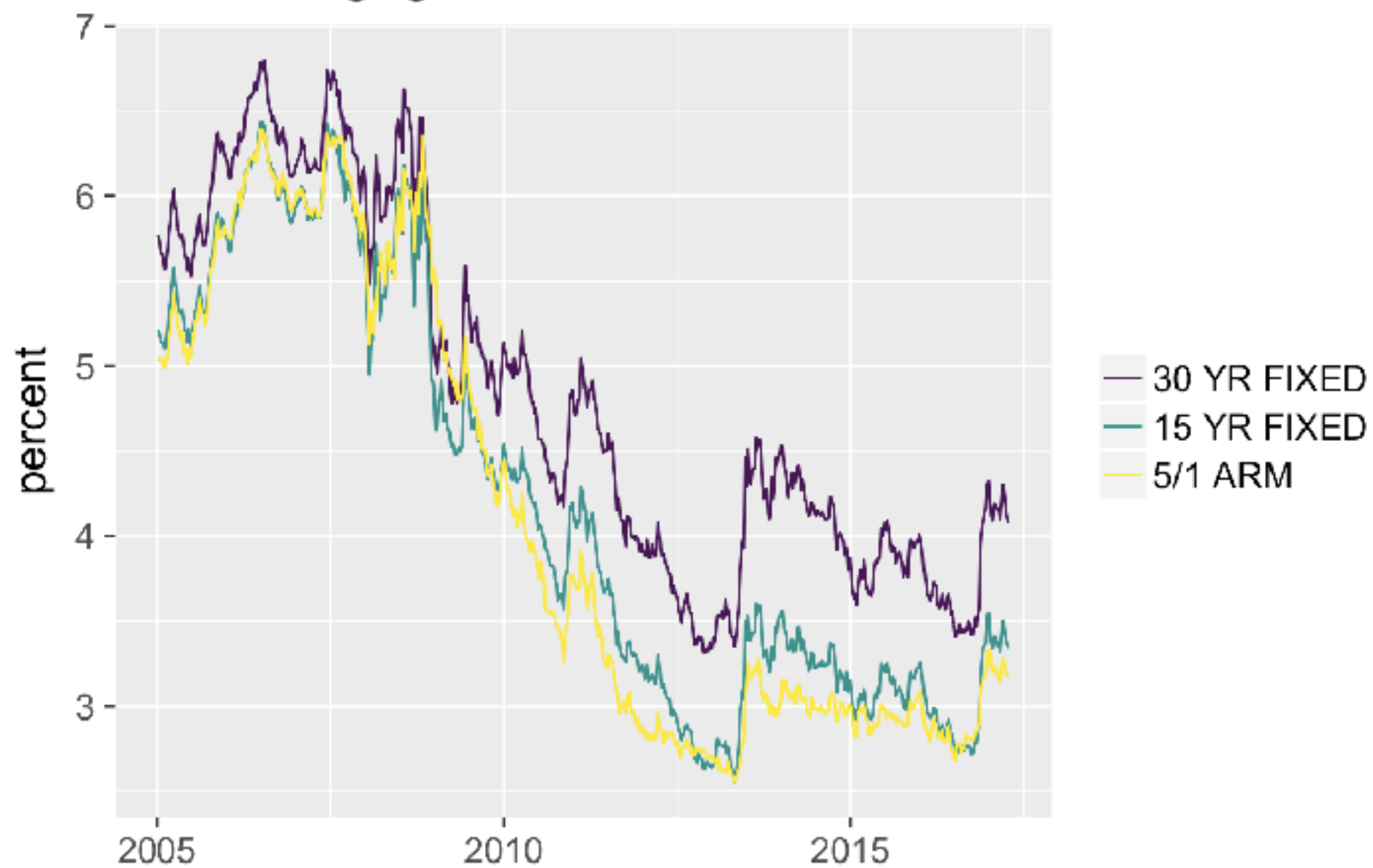
Original Image



Deuteranope Simulation



U.S. Mortgage Rates



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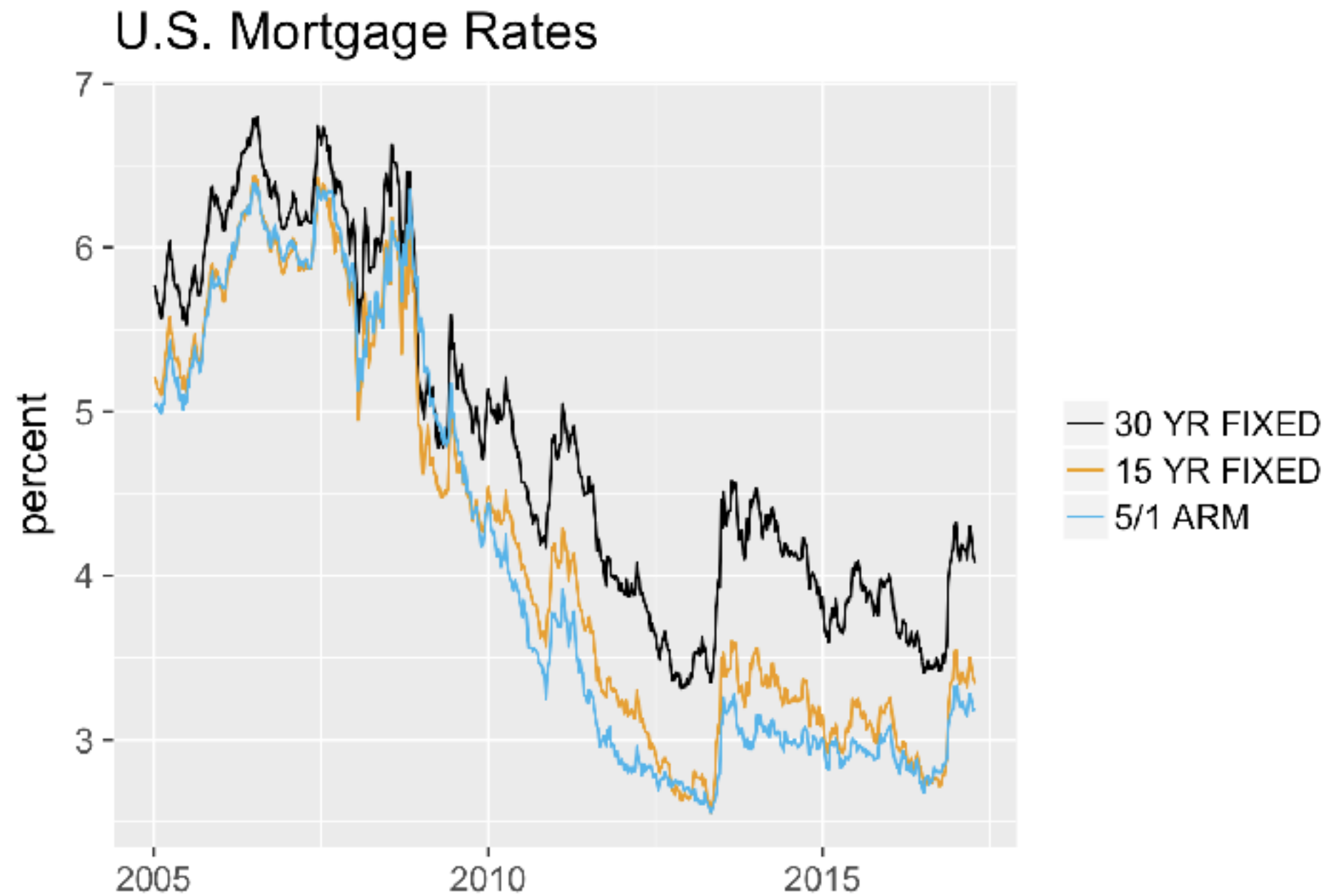
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ggthemes: + scale_color_colorblind()
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