

# Graphics in R

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Practice: Change the y-axis range and label

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default:

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better?

```
par(las=1, mar=c(4,4,1,1)+0.1, lwd=5, pch=16, cex.axis=1.5)  
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     col=mycol[iris$Species])
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Pre-defined gradients

```
custcol <- rainbow(20)  
plot(1:20, col=custcol, pch=16, cex=3)  
  
custcol <- terrain.colors(20)  
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### Matrix image

```
data("volcano")  
image(volcano)
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# Panel layout

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## More flexible: layout

```
layout(matrix(c(1,2,3,2), 2, 2, byrow = TRUE),  
        widths = c(1,2) , heights = c(2,3))  
layout.show(3) # visualize the layout  
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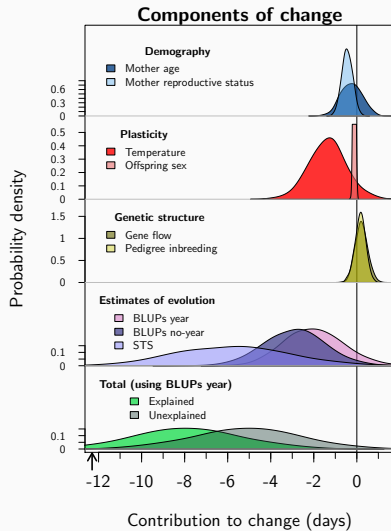
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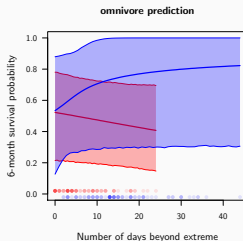
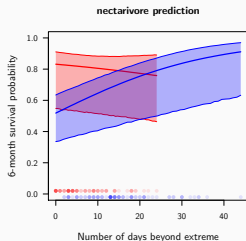
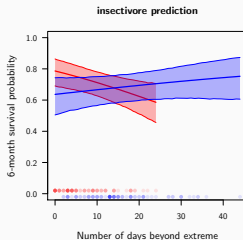
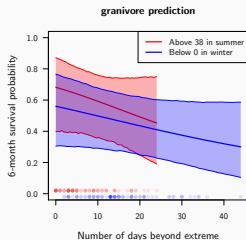
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- Works in successive layers NOT interacting
- Base-R logic

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  geom_point() + facet_wrap(~Species)
```

1. Layers interact according to grammatic rules; not on top of each other

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2. Aesthetics, `aes()`, controls the behaviour of all layers (unless stated otherwise)

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3. Intermediate plots can be saved and modified (not final plots)

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5. Was the change in abundance of the genus *Chaetodipus* similar in all plot types?
6. Imagine more questions you could ask graphically!
7. (Change the color theme, axes labels... make your figure publishable!)



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**You CAN do all your graphics in R**

## Maps (example with ggplot)

```
library("sf")
library("ggplot2")
library("rnatruralearth")
library("rnatruralearthdata")
world <- ne_countries(scale = "medium", returnclass = "sf")

ggplot(data = world) +
  geom_sf()
```

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```
coordcrs <- paste("+proj=laea",  
                  "+lat_0=52",  
                  "+lon_0=10",  
                  "+x_0=4321000",  
                  "+y_0=3210000",  
                  "+ellps=GRS80",  
                  "+units=m +no_defs")  
  
ggplot(data = world) +  
  geom_sf(aes(fill = pop_est)) + theme_bw() +  
  coord_sf(crs = coordcrs) +  
  scale_fill_viridis_c(option = "plasma", trans = "sqrt")
```

## Maps (example with R base)

```
library(maps) map("world", regions = "australia")
```



# Phylogeny example

```
library(MCMCtreeR)
data(MCMCtree.output)
attach(MCMCtree.output)
names(MCMCtree.output)

phy <- readMCMCtree(MCMCtree.phy, from.file = FALSE)

MCMC.tree.plot(phy, analysis.type = "MCMCtree",
  cex.tips = 0.2, time.correction = 100,
  plot.type = "phylogram", lwd.bar = 2,
  scale.res = c("Eon", "Period"),
  node.method = "bar", col.age = "navy",
  no.margin = TRUE, label.offset = 4)
```

## 3D plot

```
library("plot3D")
x1 <- rnorm(100) ; x2 <- rnorm(100) + 0.5*x1
y <- -0.5*x1 + 0.5*x2 ; fit <- lm(y ~ x1 + x2)
grid.lines = 26
x1.pred <- seq(min(x1), max(x1), length.out = grid.lines)
x2.pred <- seq(min(x2), max(x2), length.out = grid.lines)
x1x2 <- expand.grid( x1 = x1.pred, x2 = x2.pred)
y.pred <- matrix(predict(fit, newdata = x1x2),
nrow = grid.lines, ncol = grid.lines)
fitpoints <- predict(fit)
scatter3D(x1, x2, y, pch = 18, cex = 2,
theta = 18, phi = -18, ticktype = "detailed",
xlab = "x1", ylab = "x2", zlab = "y",
surf = list(x = x1.pred, y = x2.pred, z = y.pred,
facets = NA, fit = fitpoints), main = "")
```

## 3D plot

(NB: you need RGL on your laptop for the following to work, that's not part of R)

```
library("plot3Drgl")  
plotrgl(lightning = FALSE, new=TRUE)
```



# Want more?

<https://www.r-graph-gallery.com/>

## Extra ggplot

Create your own theme

```
?ggplot2::theme
```

```
custom_theme <- theme(  
  plot.title = element_text(color = "blue",  
    face = "bold", size=rel(2)),  
  panel.grid.major = element_line(colour="red",  
    linetype = "dashed"),  
  panel.background = element_rect(fill = "green")  
)
```

```
basicplot + ggtitle("Your own theme") + custom_theme
```

# Extra ggplot

## Easy layout

```
# install.packages("devtools")
devtools::install_github("thomasp85/patchwork")

library(patchwork)

p1 <- ggplot(mtcars) + geom_point(aes(mpg, disp))
p2 <- ggplot(mtcars) + geom_boxplot(aes(gear, disp, group = gear))

p1 + p2

p3 <- ggplot(mtcars) + geom_smooth(aes(disps, qsec))
p4 <- ggplot(mtcars) + geom_bar(aes(carb))

(p1 | p2 | p3) /
  p4
```

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## Adding marginal histograms

```
library("ggExtra")
df <- data.frame(x = rnorm(1000, 50, 10),
                 y = rnorm(1000, 50, 10),
                 age = sample(c("a", "b"), size = 1000, replace = TRUE))

p <- ggplot(df, aes(x, y, color=age)) + geom_point() +
  theme_classic()+
  theme(legend.position="left")+
  scale_color_brewer(palette = "Spectral", labels=c("a", "b"))

ggExtra::ggMarginal(p, type = "histogram",
                    groupFill=TRUE, groupColour = FALSE)
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