

STA 141A

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Science

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# Saving graphs as objects

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- Any graphical object created in **ggplot2**, including layers, can be saved like any other R object.

```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
data(mpg) # a data set on car milage
```

```
pl.mpg = qplot(displ,hwy,data=mpg, color=factor(cyl))
```

```
summary(pl.mpg) # gives a summary of pl.mpg as an object
```

```
print(pl.mpg) # or, simply pl.mpg , plots the graph
```

```
save(pl.mpg, "mpg_plot.Rdata") # you may specify the folder where you want to save
```

```
load("mpg_plot.Rdata")
```

# Layered graphics : diamonds data

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```
data(diamonds)
pl.diam = ggplot(diamonds, aes(carat,price, color=cut))
# x = carat, y = price, color = cut (not treated as categorical when using statistical transformations)
# layers, performing specific statistical/graphical summary can be stored as R objects
bestscatter = geom_point(alpha=I(1/2), shape='.', size=I(4))
# controls appearance with specification of transparency, shape and size of the points, apart from color
bestfit = geom_smooth(method="lm", se=F, color=alpha("green",0.5), size=2)
# linear regression fit; se='T' will add standard error bands, color and size control the fitted line
pl.diam + bestscatter + bestfit + scale_x_continuous(limits=c(0,4.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(0,25000))
# plots the points and adds regression fit of price on carat; also changes the scales of x and y axes
```



# Faceting and transformation

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# plot the scatter plots corresponding different values of cut

```
pl.diam + bestscatter + facet_grid(cut ~ .)
```

# also fit regression line to each stratum

```
pl.diam + bestscatter + facet_grid(cut ~ .) + bestfit
```

# allow the scales of the different panels to be different;

# default: scale = "free"; other options "free\_x", "free\_y"

```
pl.diam + bestscatter + facet_grid(cut ~ ., scale="free") + bestfit
```

# perform log10 transform of the variables and add least square fits; also change the labels on the axes

```
pl.diam + geom_point() + scale_x_log10() + scale_y_log10() +  
  xlab("log10(carat)") + ylab("log10(price)") + bestfit
```

# Different types of geom

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```
dfx = data.frame(x=c(3,1,5,4), y=c(2,4,6,8), label=letters[1:4]) # data frame with 4 labeled rows and 2 columns
```

```
pl.dfx = ggplot(dfx,aes(x=x,y=y,label=label)) + xlab(NULL) + ylab(NULL)
```

```
pl.dfx + geom_bar(stat="identity") + xlab("bar") # bar plot
```

```
pl.dfx + geom_point() + xlab("point") # scatter plot
```

```
pl.dfx + geom_line() + xlab("line") # line plot (connecting points ordered by x-value)
```

```
pl.dfx + geom_area() + xlab("area") # area plot
```

```
pl.dfx + geom_path() + xlab("path") # path plot (connecting successive points using the order in which they appear)
```

```
pl.dfx + geom_text() + xlab("text") # adding text (label) to points
```

```
pl.dfx + geom_tile() + xlab("tile") # tiles around points
```

```
pl.dfx + geom_polygon() + xlab("polygon") # polygon formed by connecting successive points
```



# Displaying univariate data : histogram

- We can use histograms, density plots or boxplots for displaying univariate data, often stratified by a categorical variable.

```
depth.di = ggplot(diamonds,aes(depth)) + xlim(58,68)
```

```
# plot relative density histograms of depth stratified by different values of cut
```

```
depth.di + geom_histogram(aes(y=..density..), binwidth=0.2) + facet_grid(cut ~ .)
```

```
# plot histogram of depth with different colors representing the actual count for different values of cut
```

```
depth.di + geom_histogram(aes(fill=cut), binwidth=0.2, position = "stack")
```

```
# plot relative contribution of different levels of cut to each bin of the histogram for depth
```

```
depth.di + geom_histogram(aes(fill=cut), binwidth=0.2, position = "fill")
```

```
# plot the histogram of depth for different values of cut separately
```

```
depth.di + geom_histogram(aes(fill=cut), binwidth=0.2, position = "dodge")
```

# Displaying univariate data : boxplot

- Boxplot feature in **ggplot2** uses an y variable (categorical), which we choose to be the variable cut in this example.

```
depcut.di = ggplot(diamonds,aes(x=cut,y=depth))
```

```
depcut.di + geom_boxplot() # plots boxplots for depth stratified by cut
```

```
depcut.di + aes(color=cut) + geom_boxplot() # use different colors for different values of cut
```

```
depcut.di + aes(color=factor(clarity)) + geom_boxplot() # stratify further by categorical variable clarity
```

```
depcut.di + aes(color=cut) + geom_boxplot() + facet_grid(clarity ~ .) # plots in a column of panels
```

```
depcut.di + aes(color=cut) + geom_boxplot() + facet_grid(. ~ clarity) # plots in a row of panels
```

```
depcut.di + aes(color=cut) + geom_boxplot() + facet_wrap(~ clarity) # better arrangement of panels
```



# Overriding grouping

- We can override grouping by an existing aesthetic feature (like color), by using aesthetic group

# in the previous example, we can stratify according to values of clarity rather than cut

```
depcut.di + geom_boxplot(aes(group=clarity, color=clarity)) + scale_x_discrete("clarity",breaks=c())
```

# Another example involving a longitudinal data set

```
library(nlme) # load package nlme
```

```
data(Oxboys) # heights of boys in Oxford from the nlme package
```

```
boysOx = ggplot(Oxboys, aes(Occasion,height))
```

```
boysOx + geom_boxplot() # display boxplots stratified by Occasion
```

# overlay the plot with height trajectories, overriding original grouping by using Subject for grouping

```
boysOx + geom_boxplot() + geom_line(aes(group=Subject),color="steelblue")
```



# Displaying bivariate data : jitter plot

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- We can use the “jitter” geom to mitigate the effects of overplotting

```
td = ggplot(diamonds,aes(table,depth))
```

```
td + geom_point() # scatter plot too crowded because of too many observations
```

```
td + geom_jitter() # jitter plot
```

```
jit = position_jitter(width=0.5) # creates a position variable that “jitters” the points over a specified width
```

```
td + geom_jitter(position=jit)
```

```
# also add transparency to the points for better visible effect
```

```
td + geom_jitter(position=jit,color=alpha("black",1/20))
```

# Displaying bivariate data : histogram

- We can use bivariate histogram with square or hexagonal binning.

```
di = ggplot(diamonds,aes(carat,price)) + xlim(1,3)
```

```
di + stat_bin2d(bins=20,na.rm=T) # bivariate histogram using square binning 20 x 20 bins
```

```
di + stat_bin2d(bins=20,na.rm=T,color="yellow") # adds yellow border to the bins
```

```
di + stat_bin2d(binwidth=c(0.02,200)) # bins are determined by the widths of the rectangular bins
```

```
di + stat_bin2d(binwidth=c(0.02,200), aes(fill=..density..)) # use relative frequency instead of count
```

```
di + stat_binhex(bins=20, na.rm=T) # use hexagonal binning rather than square bins
```

```
di + stat_binhex(binwidth=c(0.02,200), na.rm=T) + scale_fill_gradient(low="blue",high="red")
```

```
# changes the shape of the hexagonal bins and changes a color scale
```



# Displaying bivariate data : density plot

- We can also use bivariate kernel density estimator.

```
di + geom_density2d(na.rm=T) # contour plot of the density estimator
```

```
# contour plot of the density together with scatter plot
```

```
di + geom_point(na.rm=T) + stat_density2d(na.rm=T)
```

```
di + stat_density2d(na.rm=T,aes(fill=..level..),geom="polygon") # surface plot of the density
```

```
# surface plot of the density with added transparency to the surface to make
```

```
# the points underneath visible; the points are themselves made transparent
```

```
di + geom_point(na.rm=T,size=1,alpha=I(1/10)) +
```

```
  stat_density2d(na.rm=T,aes(fill = ..level..,alpha=..level..), geom="polygon") +
```

```
  scale_fill_gradient(low="blue",high="red")
```