

# Datacamp\_Data Visualization with ggplot2 (Part 1)\_Introduction

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# Load the ggplot2 package
library(ggplot2)
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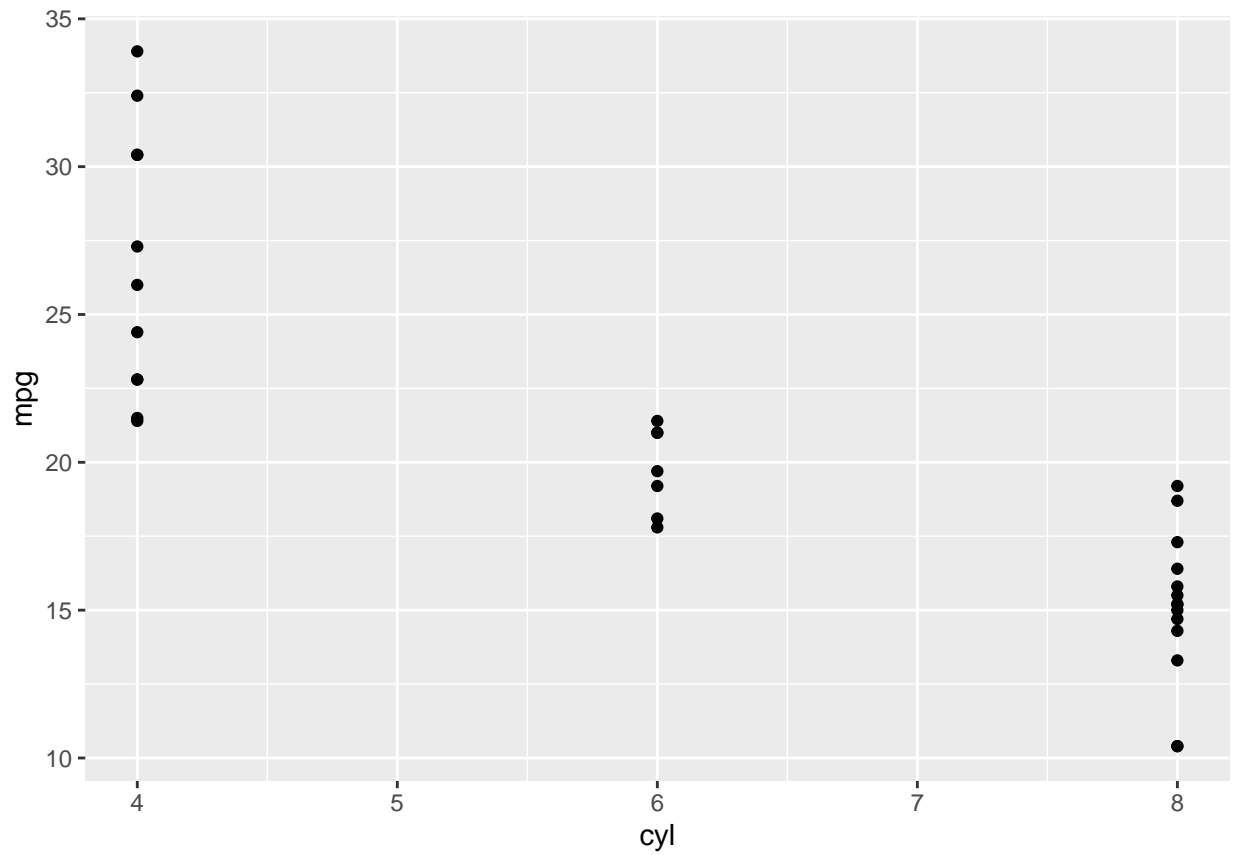
```
# Explore the mtcars data frame with str()
str(mtcars)
```

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## 'data.frame':   32 obs. of  11 variables:
## $ mpg : num  21 21 22.8 21.4 18.7 18.1 14.3 24.4 22.8 19.2 ...
## $ cyl : num  6 6 4 6 8 6 8 4 4 6 ...
## $ disp: num  160 160 108 258 360 ...
## $ hp : num  110 110 93 110 175 105 245 62 95 123 ...
## $ drat: num  3.9 3.9 3.85 3.08 3.15 2.76 3.21 3.69 3.92 3.92 ...
## $ wt : num  2.62 2.88 2.32 3.21 3.44 ...
## $ qsec: num  16.5 17 18.6 19.4 17 ...
## $ vs : num  0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 ...
## $ am : num  1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ gear: num  4 4 4 3 3 3 3 4 4 4 ...
## $ carb: num  4 4 1 1 2 1 4 2 2 4 ...
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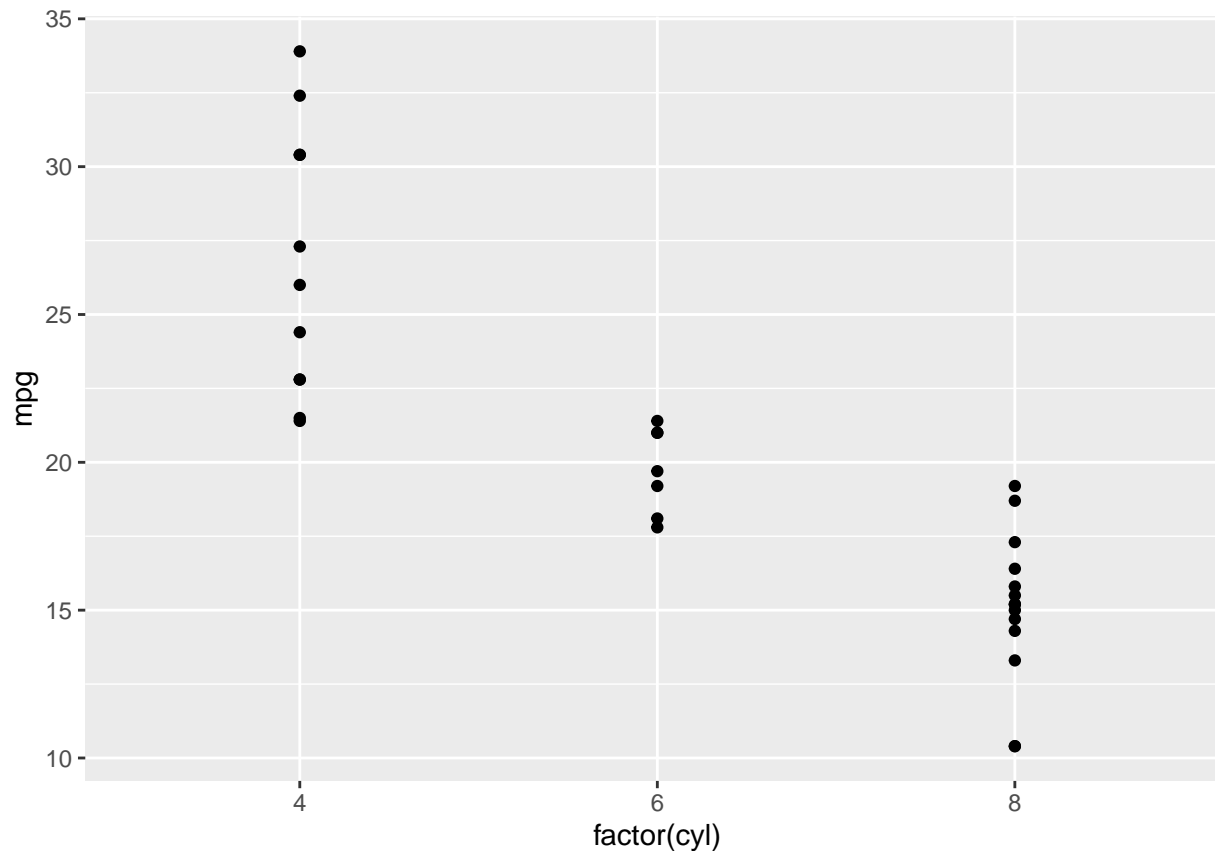
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head(mtcars)
```

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##           mpg cyl disp  hp drat   wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Mazda RX4    21.0   6  160 110 3.90 2.620 16.46 0  1    4    4
## Mazda RX4 Wag 21.0   6  160 110 3.90 2.875 17.02 0  1    4    4
## Datsun 710    22.8   4  108  93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1  1    4    1
## Hornet 4 Drive 21.4   6  258 110 3.08 3.215 19.44 1  0    3    1
## Hornet Sportabout 18.7   8  360 175 3.15 3.440 17.02 0  0    3    2
## Valiant      18.1   6  225 105 2.76 3.460 20.22 1  0    3    1
```

```
ggplot(mtcars, aes(x = cyl, y = mpg)) +
  geom_point()
```



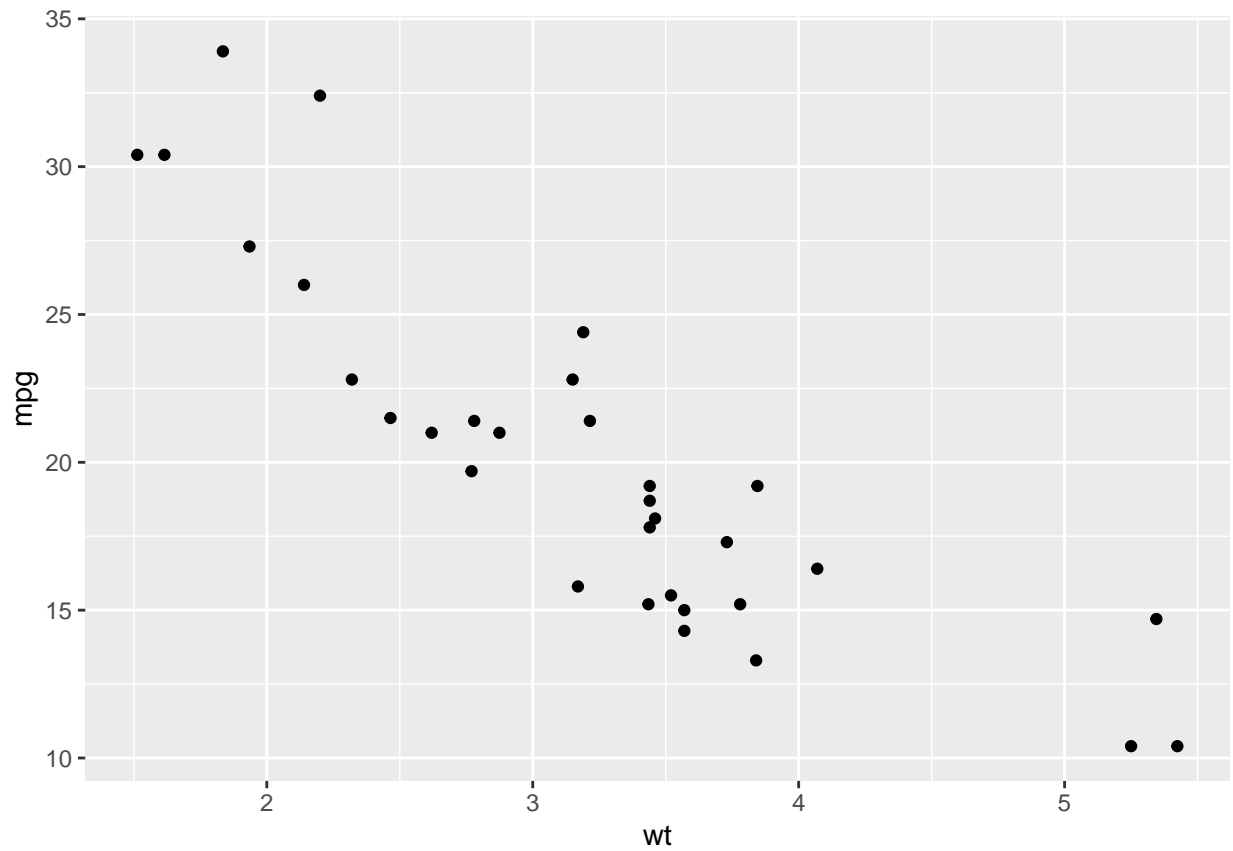
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# cyl is treated as factor  
ggplot(mtcars, aes(x = factor(cyl), y = mpg)) +  
  geom_point()
```



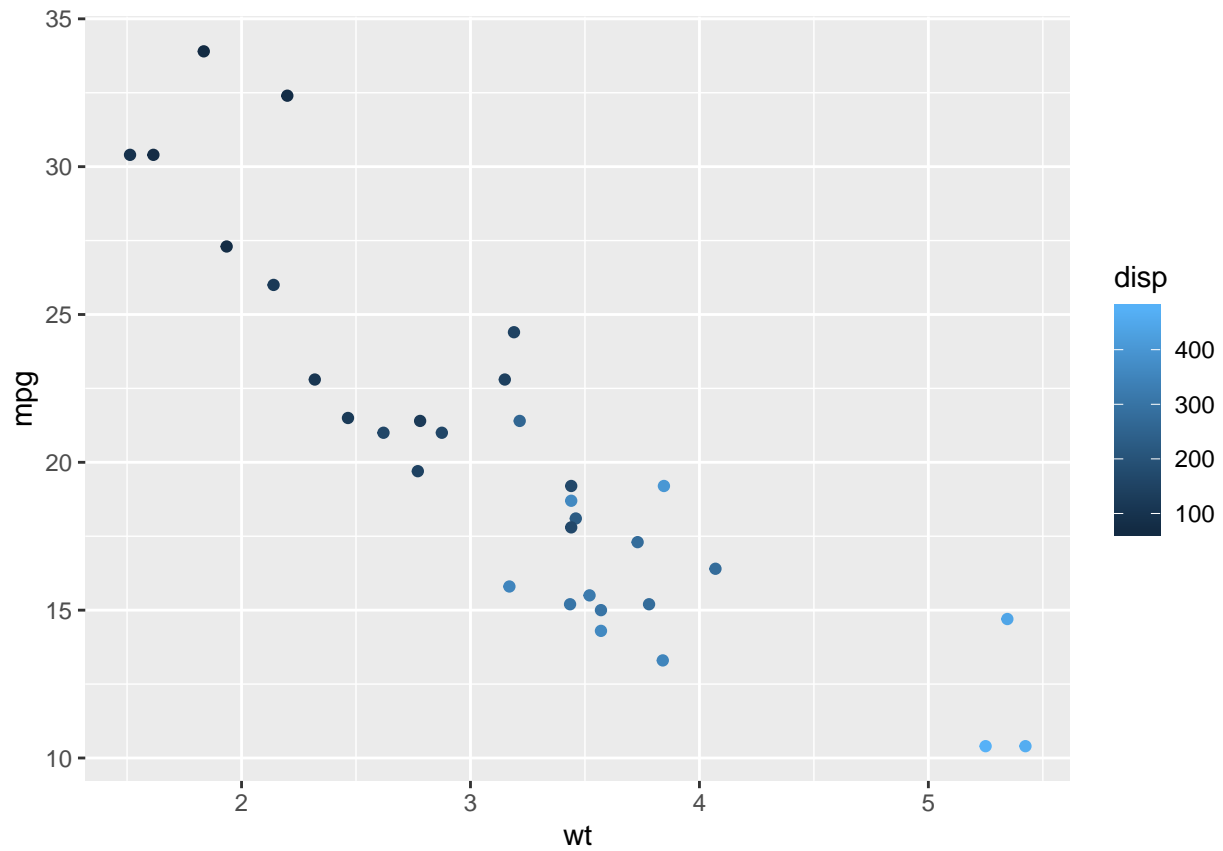
Essential Grammatic Elements:

1. Data: The dataset being plotted. (variables of interest)
2. Aesthetics: The scales onto which we map our data. (x-axis, y-axis; colour, fill; size, labels; alpha, shape; line width, line type)
3. Geometries: The visual element used for our data. (point, line, histogram, bar, boxplot)
4. Facets: plotting small multiples (columns, rows)
5. Statistics: Representations of our data to aid understanding (binning, smoothing, descriptive, inferential)
6. Coordinates: The space on which the data will be plotted (cartesian, fixed, polar, limits)
7. Themes: All non-data ink. (non-data ink)

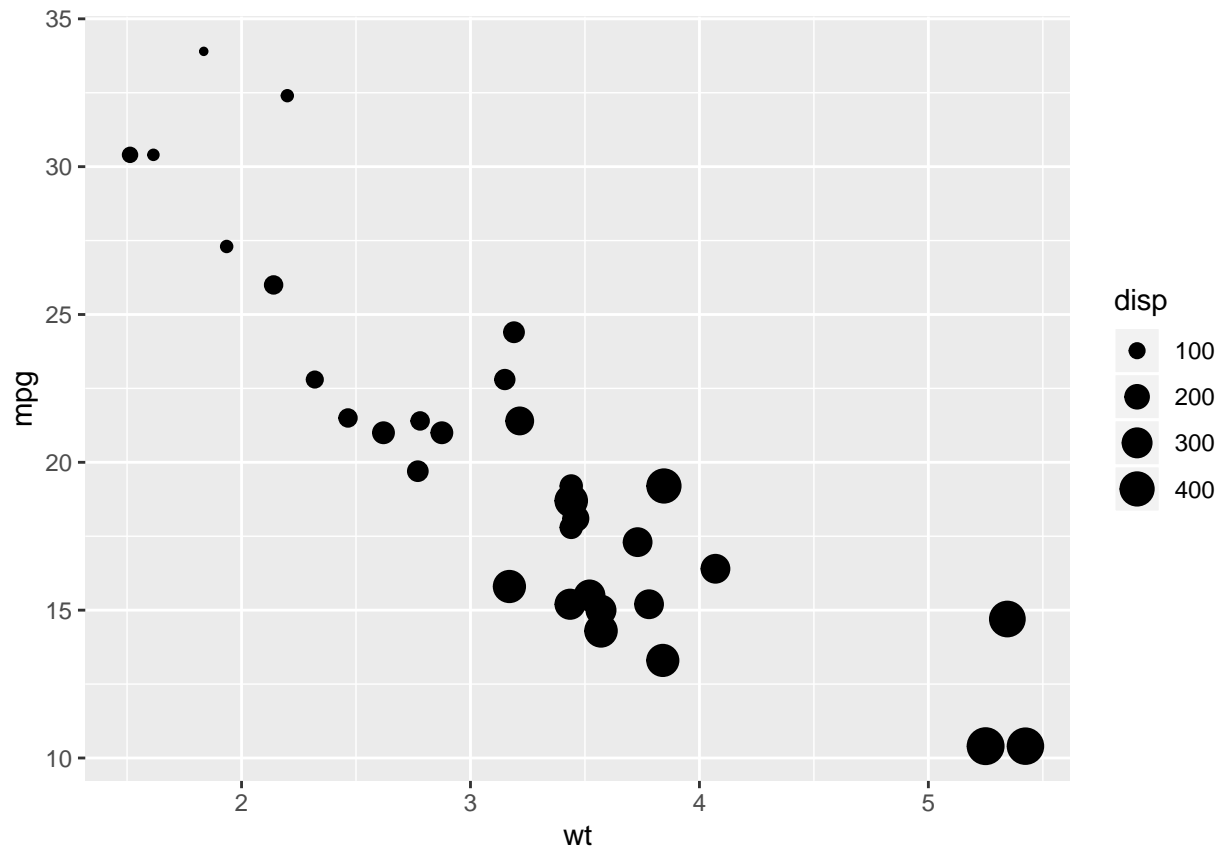
```
ggplot(mtcars, aes(x = wt, y = mpg)) +  
  geom_point()
```



```
# color changes by disp (continuous)
ggplot(mtcars, aes(x = wt, y = mpg, color = disp)) +
  geom_point()
```



```
# size changes by disp (continuous)
ggplot(mtcars, aes(x = wt, y = mpg, size = disp)) +
  geom_point()
```



As “shape” only makes sense with categorical data, and *disp* is continuous. So the code below is incorrect.

```
ggplot(mtcars, aes(x = wt, y = mpg, shape = disp)) +  
  geom_point()
```