

ggplot2 with the cereals dataset

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My intention here is not to provide a tutorial on ggplot2. Those already exist. What I did want to show you is how I (conceptually) might have manipulated the dataset we were using for the cereals homework assignments to make a few plots.

Getting the data into R: I will use readr

```
# load the package and read the cereals.csv file from working directory  
library(readr)  
df=read_csv('cereals.csv') # let function guess the column types
```

```
library(dplyr)  
library(ggplot2)
```

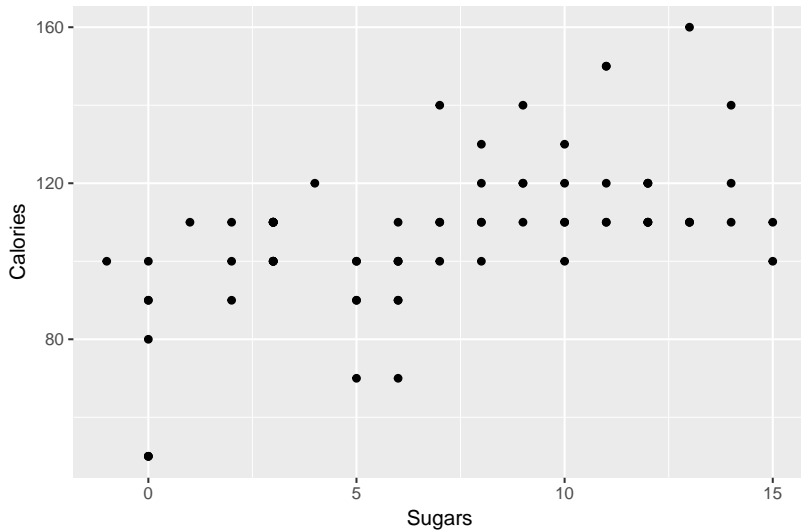
Why ggplot2?

ggplot2 is a bit more complicated for simple plotting, but for more general analysis of a dataset, ggplot2 provides a robust set of static visualizations. *Additionally*, it is built on a conceptual framework, **The Grammar of Graphics**, that matches closely with the theoretical underpinnings of data visualization that we are considering in this course.

A first graph

A simple scatterplot using two of the variables in our dataset:

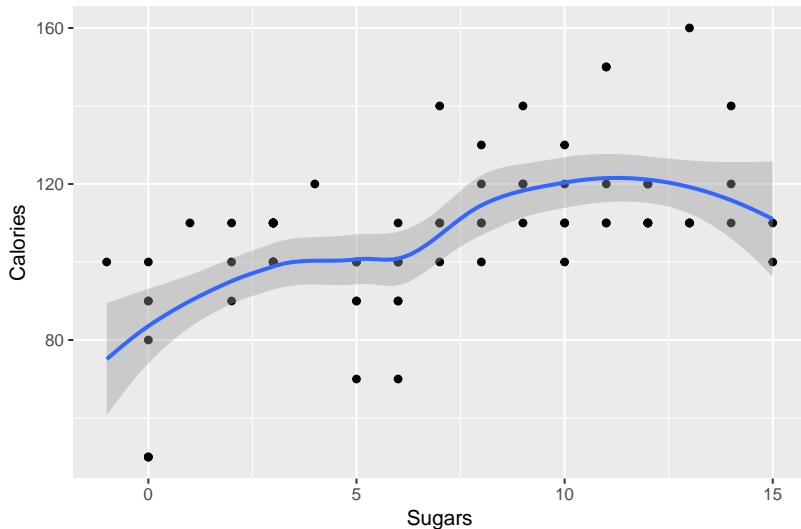
```
p=ggplot(df,aes(x=Sugars,y=Calories))+  
  geom_point()  
p
```



Manipulation of that plot by adding layers

Adding a smooth curve (based on a statistical model)

```
p=p+geom_smooth()  
p
```



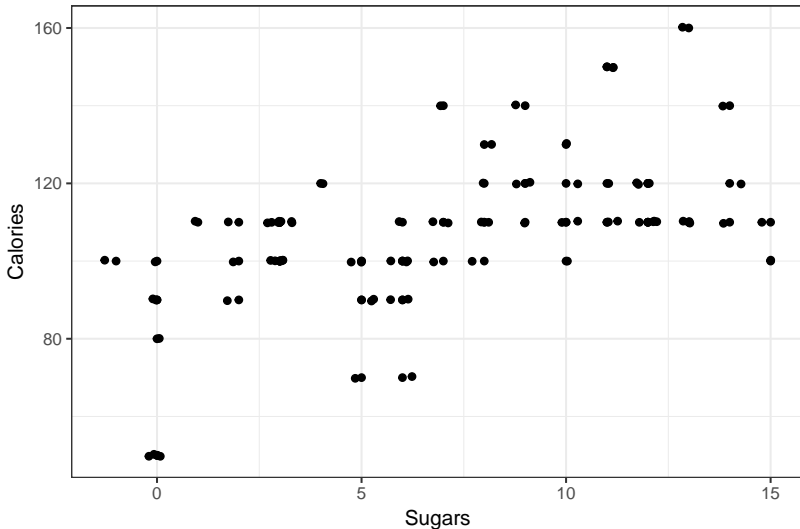
Manipulation of that plot by adding a theme Adding a theme manipulates broad characteristics

Multiple layers can be added all at once

Here I also added a jitter effect

```
p=ggplot(df,aes(x=Sugars,y=Calories))+  
  geom_point()+theme_bw()+geom_jitter(width=.3,height=.3)
```

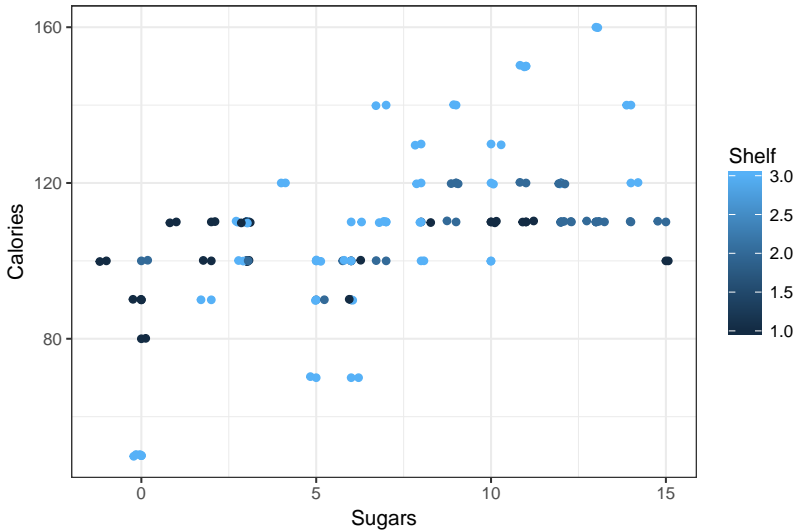
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aes - aesthetics - assigns a variable to a particular channel

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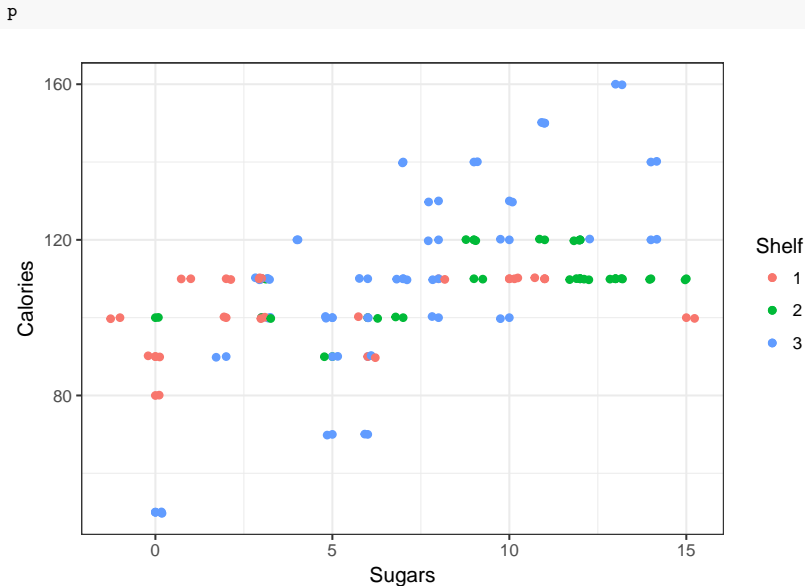
```
p=ggplot(df,aes(x=Sugars,y=Calories,color=Shelf))+  
  geom_point()+theme_bw()+geom_jitter(width=.3,height=.3)  
p
```



aes - aesthetics - assigns a variable to a particular channel

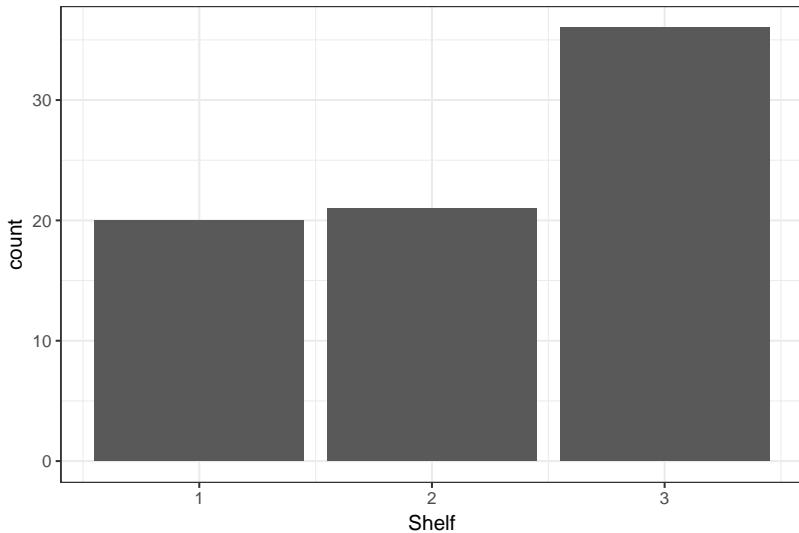
Lets treat Shelf as categorical

```
p=df %>% mutate(Shelf=factor(Shelf)) %>% ggplot(aes(x=Sugars,y=Calories,color=Shelf))+  
  geom_point()+theme_bw()+geom_jitter(width=.3,height=.3)
```



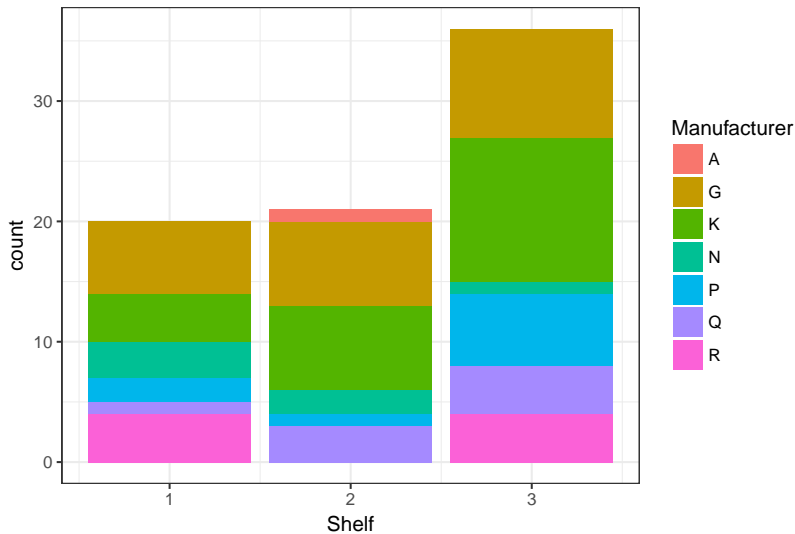
Barcharts - a different geometry

```
p=df %>% ggplot(aes(x=Shelf))+  
  theme_bw()+  
  geom_bar()  
p
```



Stacked Barcharts - “fill” is a channel

```
p=df %>% ggplot(aes(x=Shelf,fill=Manufacturer))+  
  theme_bw()+  
  geom_bar()  
p
```



The scatterplot matrix - because I asked you to

Package GGally adds this functionality

```
library(GGally)
df %>% select(Calories,Protein,Fiber,Carbohydrates) %>% ggpairs()
```

