# Notes 3 - The Tidyverse and ggplot2

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Tidyverse

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### Section 1

Tidyverse

#### Introduction

Modern R users are migrating away from many base R packages and functions to instead work in the **tidyverse**.

The tidyverse is both a philosophy for coding and organizing data as well as a collection of packages in  $\mathbf{R}$ .

```
library(tidyverse)
```

# Tidy Format (murders data)

We say that a data table is in **tidy** format if each row represents one observation and columns represent the different variables available for each of these observations. For example, the following data set is in tidy format:

```
data(murders)
head (murders)
##
          state abb region population total
## 1
        Alabama
                  AT.
                      South
                                4779736
                                           135
## 2
         Alaska AK
                       West
                                 710231
                                            19
                                6392017
                                           232
## 3
        Arizona
                  A7.
                       West
                  AR.
                                2915918
                                            93
## 4
       Arkansas
                      South
                               37253956
##
   5 California
                  CA
                       West
                                          1257
## 6
       Colorado
                  CO
                       West
                                5029196
                                            65
```

library(dslabs)

# Not Tidy Format (fertility)

The following dataset is organized, but not tidy. Why?

```
## country 1960 1961 1962
## 1 Germany 2.41 2.44 2.47
## 2 South Korea 6.16 5.99 5.79
```

# Tidy Format (fertility)

Here is what the data would look like in tidy format:

```
country year fertility
##
## 1
         Germany 1960
                            2.41
                            6.16
## 2 South Korea 1960
                            2.44
## 3
         Germany 1961
                            5.99
   4 South Korea 1961
                            2.47
## 5
         Germany 1962
## 6 South Korea 1962
                            5.79
```

The same information is provided, but there are important differences in the format. For the **tidyverse** packages to be optimally used, data need to be reshaped into 'tidy' format. The advantage of working in tidy format allows the data analyst to focus on more important aspects of the analysis rather than the format of the data.

#### **Tibbles**

A **tibble** is a modern version of a data.frame.

```
library(tidyverse)
dat1 <- tibble(x = 1:4, y = 5:8, z = c("A", "B", "C", "D"))</pre>
```

Or convert a data frame to a tibble

#### **Tibbles**

Important characteristics that make tibbles unique:

- Tibbles are primary data structure for the tidyverse
- Tibbles display better and printing is more readable
- Tibbles can be grouped
- Subsets of tibbles are tibbles
- Tibbles can have complex entries-numbers, strings, logicals, lists, functions, other tibbles, etc.

# Subsetting Tibbles

Note: tibbles work just like data frames in just about every way except one. With data frames, using brackets [] will give vectors and with tibbles, using [] will give tibbles.

```
class(dat[,1]) # Class of first column from a data frame
## [1] "integer"
class(dat1[,1]) # Class of first column from a tibble
## [1] "tbl df"
                    "tbl"
                                 "data.frame"
mean(dat[,1])
## [1] 2.5
mean(dat1[,1])
## Warning in mean.default(dat1[, 1]): argument is not
## numeric or logical: returning NA
```

# Subsetting Tibbles

We can choose the columns of a tibble as a vector using the \$ operator or by putting double brackets [[]].

```
dat1$x  # Gives the first column (whose name is x)
## [1] 1 2 3 4
dat1[[1]] # Gives the first column
## [1] 1 2 3 4
mean(dat1[[1]])
```

## [1] 2.5

This subsetting is not a problem for rows. Rows of data frames are data frames and rows of tibbles are tibbles, so nothing of note changes there.

## Data Import in the Tidyverse

The tidyverse has its own functions that will read in data sets as tibbles. They are the functions

- read csv()
- read\_table()

These work very much like the read.csv() and read.table() functions. The primary difference is that read.csv() and read.table() read in the data has a data frame whereas read\_csv() and read\_table() read in the data as a tibble.

The read\_excel() function in the readxl library also reads in data files as tibbles even though the readxl library is not technically part of the tidyverse.

# dplyr Functions

One of the most useful packages in the tidyverse is the **dplyr** package that is used for data wrangling. dplyr is called that since it is a tool (like a set of pliers) for data frames (or tibbles).

The dplyr package has the following useful functions:

- mutate() adds new variables that are functions of existing variables.
- filter() picks cases based on their values. Selects rows.
- select() picks variables based on their names. Selects columns.
- summarize() or summarise() reduces multiple values down to a single summary.
- arrange() changes the ordering of the rows.
- group\_by() allows you to perform any operation "by group"

Note an important point: most dplyr functions (and most functions in the tidyverse) input a tibble and then output a modified tibble, although many can also work with data frames.

#### Mutate

The function **mutate** takes the data frame or tibble, the instructions for the new columns in next arguments, and returns a modified data frame. For example:

```
murders <- as tibble(murders)</pre>
head(murders)
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
##
     state
                abb
                       region population total
##
     <chr>
                <chr> <fct>
                                   <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Alabama
                AL
                       South
                                 4779736
                                            135
   2 Alaska
                ΑK
                       West
                                  710231
                                             19
                A 7.
   3 Arizona
                       West
                                 6392017
                                            232
   4 Arkansas
                AR.
                       South
                                 2915918
                                             93
## 5 California CA
                       West
                                37253956
                                           1257
                                 5029196
                                             65
## 6 Colorado
                CO
                       West
```

#### Mutate

To add murder rates, we mutate as follows:

```
murdersRate <- mutate(murders.
 rate = total / population * 100000
head(murdersRate)
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##
    state abb
                   region population total
                                          rate
##
  <chr> <chr> <chr> <fct>
                            <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Alabama AL
                   South 4779736 135 2.82
## 2 Alaska AK
                   West
                             710231
                                      19
                                          2.68
  3 Arizona AZ
                            6392017 232 3.63
                   West
## 4 Arkansas AR
                   South
                            2915918
                                      93
                                          3.19
## 5 California CA
                   West
                           37253956
                                    1257
                                          3.37
                            5029196
                                      65
                                          1.29
## 6 Colorado
              CO
                   West
```

#### **Filter**

Now suppose that we want to filter the data table to only show the entries for which the murder rate is lower than 0.71. We do this as follows:

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 6
##
    state
                 abb
                      region
                                   population total rate
##
    <chr>>
                <chr> <fct>
                                       <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Hawaii
                HΤ
                      West.
                                      1360301
                                                7 0.515
## 2 Towa
                 TΑ
                      North Central
                                     3046355 21 0.689
## 3 New Hampshire NH Northeast
                                     1316470
                                                5 0.380
## 4 North Dakota
                ND North Central 672591
                                                4 0.595
                 VT
                                      625741
                                                2 0.320
## 5 Vermont
                      Northeast
```

#### Select

If we want to view just a few of our columns, we can use the following:

```
murdersRate <- mutate(murders, rate = total / population * 100000)</pre>
murdersRateSelect <- select(murdersRate, state, rate)</pre>
filter(murdersRateSelect, rate <= 0.71)</pre>
# The above is the same as the following
murdersRate[murdersRate$rate <= 0.71, c("state", "rate")]</pre>
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
##
     state
                   rate
##
     <chr>
                  <dbl>
## 1 Hawaii
                 0.515
## 2 Iowa
                0.689
## 3 New Hampshire 0.380
## 4 North Dakota 0.595
                0.320
## 5 Vermont
```

### **Nesting Functions**

Instead of defining new objects along the way, we could do everything in one complex nested function:

```
filter(select(mutate(murders, rate = total / population * 100000),
             state, rate), rate <= 0.71)
## # A tibble: 5 \times 2
##
    state
                 rate
    <chr>
                <dbl>
##
               0.515
## 1 Hawaii
## 2 Towa
             0.689
## 3 New Hampshire 0.380
## 4 North Dakota 0.595
               0.320
## 5 Vermont
```

This is fairly concise but a little confusing. Is there a better, clearer way?

### **Pipes**

In the previous example, we performed the following wrangling operations:

original data 
$$\,\rightarrow\,$$
 mutate  $\,\rightarrow\,$  select  $\,\rightarrow\,$  filter

We can perform a series of operations in **R** by sending the results of one function to another using the **pipe operator**: |> that was added in **R** version 4.1.

There is also a pipe (that was actually added first) in the magrittr package that is loaded with the tidyverse with the syntax %>%. This magrittr pipe can do a few things the native pipe cannot<sup>1</sup>, but for the vast majority of cases they work the same, so it is recommended to use the native pipe since it is built-in and runs slightly faster.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>https://magrittr.tidyverse.org

### Pipes

The pipe is a combination of characters that when used properly does two things: *It shortens and simplifies the code* and it makes the code more intuitive to read.

There is a keyboard shortcut in RStudio for inserting the pipe. While you can always just type |>, you can also type:

Mac: Command-Shift-M Windows: Control-Shift-M

However, this will not give you the default pipe unless you change a setting in RStudio. Go to

Tools  $\rightarrow$  Global Options  $\rightarrow$  Code  $\rightarrow$  Select "Use native pipe operator".

### **Pipes**

All the pipe does is provide **forward application** of an object to the first argument of a function. The pipe sends left side of the input to the function to the right of the pipe. For example, if we wanted to calculate

$$\log_2(\sqrt{16})$$

We could use:

## [1] 2

Since the pipe sends values to the first argument, we can define other arguments as follows:

## [1] 2

While piping works the way it is formatted above, it is better practice to use a new line after each pipe.

# Pipes (murders)

Creating the prior tibble operation using pipes:

```
murders |>
 mutate(rate = total / population * 100000) |>
 select(state, rate) |>
 filter(rate <= 0.71)
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
## state
            rate
## <chr>
               <dbl>
              0.515
## 1 Hawaii
## 2 Towa
           0.689
## 3 New Hampshire 0.380
## 4 North Dakota 0.595
## 5 Vermont 0.320
```

## Piping into Other Arguments

By default, pipes will send the object being piped to the first argument of the next command, but we can send it to another argument by using the underscore (\_) placeholder and specifying the argument.

```
murdersRate |>
  lm(rate ~ population, data = )
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = rate ~ population, data = murdersRate)
##
  Coefficients:
## (Intercept) population
##
     2.575e+00 3.363e-08
We can also use the pipe placeholder along with $, [], and [[]]:
murdersRate |> _$rate |> head(5)
## [1] 2.824424 2.675186 3.629527 3.189390 3.374138
```

### Arrange

We know about the **order** and **sort** functions, but for ordering entire tables, the **arrange** function is much more useful. For example, here we order the tibble by the state's murder rate:

```
murdersRate |>
 arrange(rate) |>
 head()
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##
    state
                  abb
                        region
                                      population total rate
                  <chr> <fct>
                                           <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
##
    <chr>
## 1 Vermont
                  VT
                        Northeast
                                          625741
                                                     2 0.320
## 2 New Hampshire NH
                        Northeast
                                         1316470
                                                     5 0.380
## 3 Hawaii
                  HΤ
                        West
                                         1360301
                                                     7 0.515
## 4 North Dakota
                  ND
                        North Central
                                          672591
                                                     4 0.595
## 5 Towa
                  TΑ
                        North Central
                                         3046355
                                                    21 0.689
## 6 Idaho
                  TD
                        West.
                                         1567582
                                                    12 0.766
```

# Arrange (descending order)

Note that the default behavior is to order in ascending order. The function **desc** transforms a vector so that it is in descending order. To sort the table in descending order, we can type:

```
murdersRate |>
  arrange(desc(rate)) |>
  head()
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##
     state
                           abb
                                 region
                                               population total
                                                                  rate
                                                     <db1> <db1> <db1>
##
     <chr>>
                           <chr> <fct>
    District of Columbia DC
                                                    601723
                                 South
                                                              99 16.5
                                                                  7.74
   2 Louisiana
                          T.A
                                 South
                                                  4533372
                                                             351
                                                                  5.36
   3 Missouri
                           MΩ
                                 North Central
                                                  5988927
                                                             321
                                 South
                                                  5773552
                                                             293
                                                                  5.07
   4 Maryland
                           MD
   5 South Carolina
                           SC
                                 South
                                                  4625364
                                                             207
                                                                 4.48
## 6 Delaware
                           DE
                                                   897934
                                                              38
                                                                  4.23
                                 South
```

### Nested sorting

If we are ordering by a column with ties, we can use a second (or third) column to break the tie. for example:

```
murdersRate |>
  arrange(region, rate) |>
  head()
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##
    state
                 abb
                       region
                                population total rate
##
    <chr>
                <chr> <fct>
                                     <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Vermont
                 VT
                       Northeast
                                    625741
                                              2 0.320
  2 New Hampshire NH
                    Northeast
                                   1316470
                                              5 0.380
  3 Maine
                 MF.
                       Northeast
                                   1328361 11 0.828
  4 Rhode Island
                 R.T
                       Northeast
                                   1052567 16 1.52
## 5 Massachusetts MA
                       Northeast 6547629
                                            118 1.80
## 6 New York
                 NY
                       Northeast
                                  19378102
                                             517 2.67
```

#### Summarize

The **summarize** function computes summary statistics in an intuitive way. The 'heights' dataset includes heights and sex reported by students in an in-class survey.

```
data(heights)
heights |>
  filter(sex == "Female") |>
  summarize(
    avg = mean(height),
    std_dev = sd(height)
)
## avg std_dev
```

## 1 64.93942 3.760656

# Group then summarize with group\_by()

A common operation in data exploration is to first split data into groups and then compute summaries for each group. For example, we may want to compute the average and standard deviation for men's and women's heights separately. We can do the following

```
heights |>
  group_by(sex) |>
  summarize(
    average = mean(height),
    standard_deviation = sd(height)
)

## # A tibble: 2 x 3

## sex average standard_deviation
## <fct> <dbl> <dbl>
```

## 1 Female 64.9

69.3

## 2 Male

3.76

3.61

# pivot\_longer() Function

Sometimes it is the case that the data need to be manually put into tidy format. This is where the pivot\_longer() function can help.

```
prices <- read.csv("data/houseprice.txt")
head(prices, 10)</pre>
```

```
##
      gainesville orlando tampa
            173.0
                    243.9 230.7
## 1
## 2
            145.5 201.1 115.7
## 3
            190.6 185.3 211.0
## 4
            186.3 187.5 203.5
            248.7
## 5
                    207.9 149.9
## 6
            206.4
                    234.8 166.8
                    253.2 134.1
## 7
             86.8
            204.6
                    144.7 214.2
## 8
## 9
            174.5
                       NA 105.5
## 10
                       NA 216.2
            220.0
```

### pivot\_longer() Function

This looks much better! Except the column names are just set to the default of name and value. Also, there are some NA values as we saw in the original data set.

## 6 tampa

## 4 gainesville 146. ## 5 orlando 201.

116.

## pivot\_longer() Function

```
house_prices <- pivot_longer(prices, cols = everything()) |>
  na.omit() |>
  rename(city = name, price = value) |>
  arrange(city)
head(house_prices)
## # A tibble: 6 x 2
## city price
## <chr> <dbl>
## 1 gainesville 173
## 2 gainesville 146.
## 3 gainesville 191.
## 4 gainesville 186.
## 5 gainesville 249.
## 6 gainesville 206.
```

# pivot wider() Function

It's relatively rare to need pivot\_wider() to make tidy data, but it can be useful for creating summary tables for presentation, or data in a format needed by other tools. We won't focus too much on pivot wider(), but here is an example. We do need an "id" or a "row number" variable to make this work.

```
price wide <- house prices |>
  mutate(row num = c(1:11, 1:8, 1:10))
  pivot_wider(names_from = city, values_from = price)
head(price wide, 3)
## # A tibble: 3 x 4
##
     row_num gainesville orlando tampa
##
      <int>
                  <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                   173 244. 231.
```

## 1 ## 2

## 3

146. 201. 116.

191.

### More on the tidyverse

There are some other tidyverse operations, including the inner\_join(), left\_join(), right\_join(), full\_join(), pull(), dot(), reframe(), nest\_by(), and pick() functions. We will work with a few of these throughout the course.

### Section 2

Graping with ggplot2

### ggplot2 Introduction

Note: these slides were adapted from slides created by Aubrey Odom.

While knowing how to plot using the base R packages is important, many R users are using the ggplot2 package (which is part of the tidyverse) more and more for making better-looking plots.

#### Advantages of ggplot2

- It's consistent! gg = "grammar of graphics"; easy base system for adding/removing plot elements, with room for being fancy too
- Very flexible
- Themes available to polish plot appearance
- Active maintenance/development = getting better all the time!
- It can do quick-and-dirty and complex, so you only need one system
- Plots, or whole parts of plots, can be saved as objects
- Easy to add complexity or revert to earlier plot

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#### Disadvantages of ggplot2

- ullet Sometimes more complicated than base  ${f R}$  plotting
- Difficult to work with in iterated functions
- No 3-D graphics
- ggplot is often slower than base graphics
- The default colors can be difficult to change
- You might need to change the structure of your data frame to make certain plots (use tidyr::pivot\_longer())

#### ggplot Basics

There are three primary components to plotting with ggplot2:

- The data component. This is what data set and variables we are actually plotting.
- The geometry component. This describes what it is we are plotting.
   Examples include barplots, scatter plots, histograms, smooth densities, qqplots, boxplots, etc.
- The **aesthetic mapping** or just the **mapping**. The two most important cues in this plot are the point positions on the x-axis and y-axis. Each point represents a different observation, and we map data about these observations to visual cues like x- and y-scale. Color is another visual cue that we map to region. How this is defined depends on what type of geometry we are using.

#### Example dataset: Diamonds

#### install.packages("ggplot2")

#### library(ggplot2)

Variable	Description	Values
price	price in US dollars	\$326-\$18,823
carat	weight of the diamond	0.2-5.01
cut	quality of the cut	Fair, Good, Very Good, Premium, Ideal
color	diamond color	J (worst) to D (best)
clarity	measurement of how clear the diamond is	I1 (worst), SI2, SI1, VS2, VS1, VVS2, VVS1, IF (best)
х	length in mm	0-10.74
у	width in mm	0-58.9
z	depth in mm	0-31.8
depth	total depth percentage	43-79
table	width of top of diamond relative to widest point	43-95

Figure 1: Diamonds

#### Example dataset: Diamonds

#### head(diamonds) ## # A tibble: 6 x 10 ## carat cut color clarity depth table price ## <dbl> <ord> <ord> <dbl> <dbl> <int> <dbl> ## 1 0.23 Ideal E SI2 61.5 55 326 3.95 ## 2 0.21 Premium E SI1 59.8 61 326 3.89 ## 3 0.23 Good E VS1 56.9 65 327 4.05 ## 4 0.29 Premium I VS2 62.4 58 334 4.2 ## 5 0.31 Good J SI2 63.3 58 335 4.34 ## 6 0.24 Very Good J VVS2 62.8 57 336 3.94

## # i 2 more variables: v <dbl>, z <dbl>

#### Example dataset: Diamonds

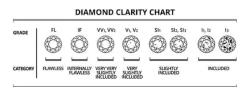
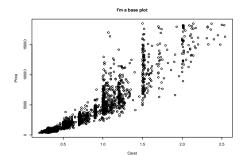


Figure 2: Diamond clarity is a measure of the purity and rarity of the stone, graded by the visibility of these characteristics under 10-power magnification. A stone is graded as flawless if, under 10-power magnification, no inclusions (internal flaws) and no blemishes (external imperfections) are visible.

- The dataset contains information about 53,940 round-cut diamonds
- There are 10 variables measuring various pieces of information about the diamonds.
- There are 3 variables with an ordered factor structure: cut, color, & clarity

#### Example in Base Plotting

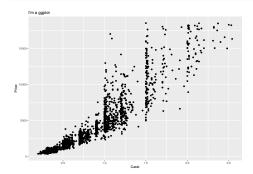
There is essentially just one primary function to know: ggplot(). However, ggplot() needs lots of other basic functions.



#### Example in ggplot2

In a ggplot, we need to begin with the ggplot() function and then add on (literally with a + sign) to that plot using other commands. In this case, I put geom\_point() to add those solid dots.

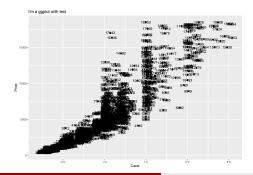
```
ggplot(data = diam) +
geom_point(aes(x = carat, y = price)) +
ggtitle("I'm a ggplot") + labs(x = "Carat", y = "Price")
```



#### Example in ggplot2

Here is an example adding text to the plot.

```
ggplot(data = diam) +
  geom_point(aes(x = carat, y = price)) +
  geom_text(aes(x = carat, y = price, label = price)) +
  ggtitle("I'm a ggplot with text") +
  labs(x = "Carat", y = "Price")
```



# Global vs Local Aesthetic Mapping

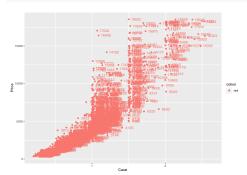
Instead of putting the x and y in the geom\_() function, we can put it in the ggplot() and it will apply everywhere.

Anything put into the ggplot() function will apply globally to the entire plot whereas anything put into the geometry will only apply to that geometry. Some options, like size, can only be put into the geometry.

#### Example in ggplot2

This will make both the points and text red. The  $nudge_x$  option will move the text to the right 0.1 units.

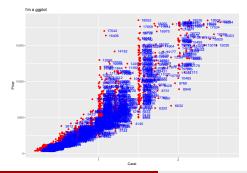
```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = carat, y = price, color = "red"))
  geom_point() +
  geom_text(aes(label = price), nudge_x = 0.1) +
  labs(x = "Carat", y = "Price")
```



#### Example in ggplot2

This will make the points red, but the text blue.

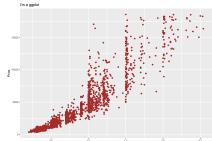
```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = carat, y = price)) +
  geom_point(color = "red") +
  geom_text(aes(label = price), nudge_x = 0.1, color="blue") -
  ggtitle("I'm a ggplot") +
  labs(x = "Carat", y = "Price")
```



#### Piping in ggplot2

Pipes work very well with ggplot also. Remember that pipes are a part of the tidyverse (in thr dplyr package) and by default, piping puts the thing being piped into the first argument of the function.

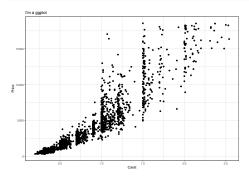
```
library(tidyverse)
diam |>
    ggplot(aes(carat, price)) + geom_point(col = "brown") +
    ggtitle("I'm a ggplot") + labs(x = "Carat", y = "Price")
```



#### Example in ggplot2

We can change the background using theme\_...(). There are theme\_bw(), theme\_dark(), theme\_classic(), and more.

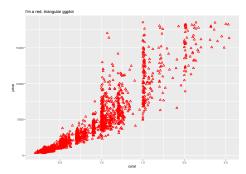
```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = carat, y = price)) +
  geom_point() + ggtitle("I'm a ggplot") +
  labs(x = "Carat", y = "Price") + theme_bw()
```



# Changing the Graph Options in ggplot2

We can change the type of points added in the geom\_point() function.

```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = carat, y = price)) +
  geom_point(size = 2, color = "red", shape = 2) +
  ggtitle("I'm a red, triangular ggplot")
```

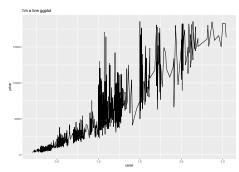


The shape argument works just like pch in base plotting.

# Changing the Graph Type in ggplot2

Instead of adding geom\_point(), we can add something else, like
geom\_line()

```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = carat, y = price)) +
geom_line() + ggtitle("I'm a line ggplot")
```

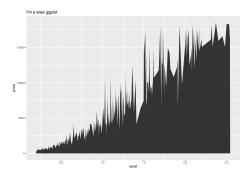


This looks strange for this plot, though.

# Changing the Graph Type in ggplot2

Or even something like shading the area under the points.

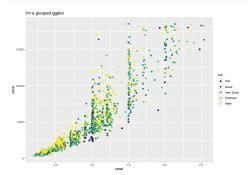
```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = carat, y = price)) +
geom_area() + ggtitle("I'm a area ggplot")
```



This looks even stranger in this case.

ggplot makes it easy to split the data using another variable. Simply put the col argument in the aes() function in ggplot. This will automatically add a legend as well. We can change the shape based on another variable too.

```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = carat, y = price, col = cut)) +
geom_point() + ggtitle("I'm a grouped ggplot")
```



We can manually change the colors using the values option in the scale\_color\_manual() add on function.

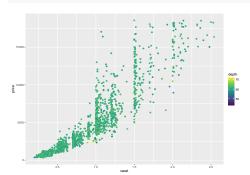


We can manually change the order of the categories in the legend using the breaks option in the scale\_color\_manual() add on function.

```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = carat, y = price, col = cut)) +
  geom_point() + ggtitle("I'm a grouped ggplot") +
  scale_color_manual(
    breaks = c("Ideal", "Premium", "Very Good", "Good", "Fair"),
    values = c("lightblue", "green", "yellow", "orange", "red"))
```



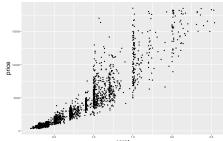
We can also group by a continuous variable. In this case, we can change the color based on the depth variable.



#### Changing Font Size and Type

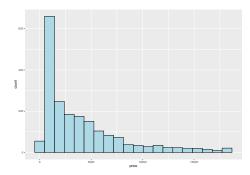
We can change font size and type in the theme() function:

#### Check out this Font!

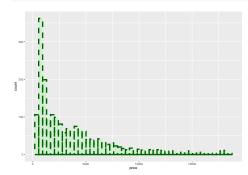


# ggplot2 for a Single Quantitative Variable: Histogram

Of course, we can also use ggplot() for plotting a single variable. We can make histograms, boxplots, dotplots, etc.



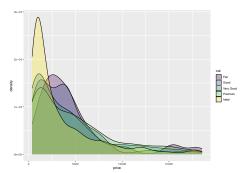
# ggplot2 for a Single Quantitative Variable: Histogram



# ggplot2 for a Single Quant. Variable: Layered Histograms

A layered histogram is a good way to compare the distribution of a variable across groups. geom\_histogram works well for two groups, but geom\_density is easier to look at for several groups.

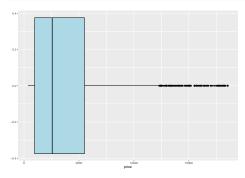
```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = price, fill = cut)) +
  geom_density(alpha = 0.3)
```



# ggplot2 for a Single Quantitative Variable: Boxplot

Creating a basic boxplot. We can also make it vertical by putting y = price in the aes() function instead of x = price.

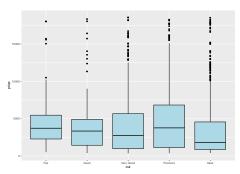
```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = price)) +
  geom_boxplot(color = "black", fill = "lightblue")
```



# ggplot2 for a Single Quant. Variable: Side-by-Side Boxplots

We can make side-by-side boxplots grouped by a categorical variable as x (or as y if you want side-by-side horizontal boxplots).

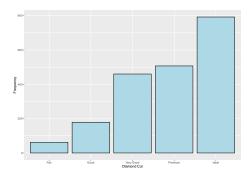
```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = cut, y = price)) +
  geom_boxplot(color = "black", fill = "lightblue")
```



#### ggplot2 for a Single Categorical Variable: Barplot

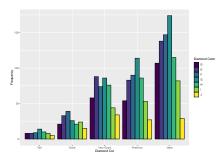
We can make plots for categorical variables as well.

```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = cut)) +
  geom_bar(color = "black", fill = "lightblue") +
  labs(x = "Diamond Cut", y = "Frequency")
```



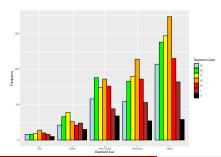
#### ggplot2 for a Single Categ. Variable: Side-by-Side Barplots

We can split the bars by another variable. In this case, we will make a plot of diamond cut and break it up by diamond color and put the bars side by side.



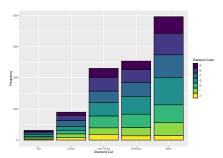
# ggplot2 for a Single Categ. Variable: Side-by-Side Barplots

We can change the fill colors using scale\_fill\_manual().



# ggplot2 for a Single Categorical Variable: Stacked Barplot

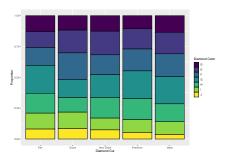
We can split the bars by another variable. In this case, we will make a plot of diamond cut and break it up by diamond color and stack the bars.



# ggplot2 for a Single Categorical Variable: Stacked Barplot

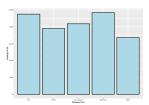
We can split the bars by another variable. In this case, we will make a plot of diamond cut and break it up by diamond color, stack the bars, and adjust them so each bar totals 100%.

```
ggplot(data = diam, aes(x = cut, fill = color)) +
  geom_bar(color = "black", position = "fill") +
  labs(x = "Diamond Cut", y = "Proportion",
      fill = "Diamond Color")
```



#### ggplot2 Barplot Identity

We often want to use a column of a data frame or tibble as the heights of our bar plot instead of having ggplot tabulate them for us. For this, we need to put stat = identity in the geom\_bar() function.

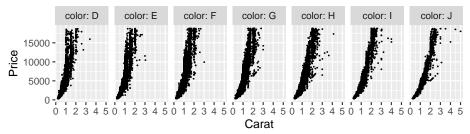


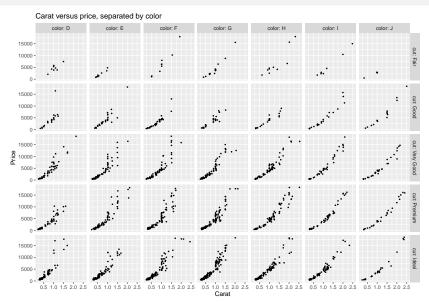
Use facet\_grid() or facet\_wrap() to create a separate plot for each value of a factor variable. We don't have to change any of the original plotting code, just add the facet command to it. Faceting can also be done on more than one categorical variable to create a grid of plots.

Additionally, it is sometimes helpful to save a simpler version of a plot, and then add onto it later with additional layers (for example, an if/else statement that plots different layers dependent on if a criterion is met or not).

We might want to summarize the data in the previous plot with a smoother on top of the points. With ggplot, we can simply add the geom\_smooth command. Each geom just adds another layer to the plot.

#### Carat versus price, separated by color





#### Summary

The syntax of a ggplot is ggplot(data, aes(x, y)) and you add on to the plot with + at the end of each line.

The most useful functions to add onto a ggplot are:

- geom\_point(), geom\_line(), geom\_histogram(), geom\_boxplot(), geom\_text(), etc.
- labs() for labels.
- ggtitle() for a plot title.
- lims() for limits.
- theme() for text size and visually changing other things.
- scale\_color\_manual() or scale\_fill\_manual() for changing the color or fill of the plot manually.

#### Further Resources & Assistance

- Cheat sheet for data visualization with ggplot2 (accessible in Rstudio by going to Help -> Cheat Sheets -> Data visualization with ggplot2)
- ggplot2 documentation
- Google
- Stack overflow
- Hadley Wickham's book: https://ggplot2-book.org/
- Rafael Irizarry's book:
   http://rafalab.dfci.harvard.edu/dsbook-part-1/dataviz/ggplot2.html.
- Note: these slides were adapted from slides created by Aubrey Odom.

#### Session info

#### sessionInfo()

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## Running under: macOS Sonoma 14.2.1
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## LAPACK: /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.3-arm64/Resources/lib/libRlapack.dylib; LAPACK version 3
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