Week 8: Basic Introduction to tidyverse and ggplot STAT GR5206 Statistical Computing & Introduction to Data Science

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Today

"The tidyverse is an opinionated collection of R packages designed for data science. All packages share an underlying philosophy and common APIs".

tidyverse

- dplyr: data manipulation
- ggplot2: creating advanced graphics
- readr: reading in rectangular data.
- tibble: A tibble, or tbl_df, is a modern reimagining of the data.frame.
- tidyr: creating tidy data.
- purrr: enhancing R's functional programming (FP).

The above statement was taken directly from the ${\tt tidyverse}$ website: ${\tt https://www.tidyverse.org}$

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Today

We focus on a few packages:

tidyverse and a few other topics

- tibble: A tibble, or tbl_df, is a modern reimagining of the data.frame
- Review of the Split/Apply/Combine model and the plyr package
- purrr: enhancing R's functional programming (FP)
- Reshaping data and the reshape2 package
- tidyr: creating tidy data
- ggplot2: creating advanced graphics

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Section I

tibble

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tibble package

> library(tibble)

> as_tibble(head(iris,3))

tibble

- Tibbles are data frames, but they tweak some older behaviours to make life a little easier. (according to tidyverse)
- Convert a traditional dataframe to a tibble using as_tibble()

```
# A tibble: 3 x 5
  Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
                    <dbl>
                                             <dbl> <fct>
        <dbl>
                                 <dbl>
*
1
         5.10
                    3.50
                                  1.40
                                             0.200 setosa
2
         4.90
                   3.00
                                  1.40
                                             0.200 setosa
3
         4.70
                     3.20
                                  1.30
                                             0.200 setosa
```

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tibble package

tibble

• Create a tibble dataframe from scratch using tibble()

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tibble package

tibble

- Tibbles are data frames, but they tweak some older behaviours to make life a little easier. (according to tidyverse)
- tibble() does much less
- tibble() never changes the type of the inputs (e.g. it never converts strings to factors!)
- tibble() never changes the names of variables
- tibble() never creates row names
- It's possible for a tibble to have column names that are not valid R variable names (e.g., ":)" or " ")
- tribble() is a transposed tibble

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Subsetting a tibble

```
> df$x
[1] 1 2 3
> df[["x"]]
[1] 1 2 3
> df[,1]
# A tibble: 3 x 1
      X
  <int>
1
     3
3
```

Subsetting a tibble

1 2 1. -0.200 2 3 3. -0.821

To use these in a pipe (see purrr section), you will need to use the special placeholder . (period)

```
> library(purrr)
> df %>% .$x
```

[1] 1 2 3

Review of Split/Apply/Combine

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Dataset on 18 countries over 35 years (compiled by Bruce Western, in the Sociology Department at Harvard University). The measured variables:

- country, year: country and year of data collection
- strike.volume: days on strike per 1000 workers
- unemployment: unemployment rate
- inflation: inflation rate
- left.parliament: leftwing share of the government
- centralization: centralization of unions
- density: density of unions

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Our Research Question

Is there a relationship between a country's ruling party alignment (left versus right) and the volume of strikes?

How could we approach this?

- Worst way: by hand, write 18 separate code blocks
- Bad way: explicit for() loop, where we loop over countries
- Best way: split appropriately, then use an apply-type function.

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Since $18 \times 35 = 630$, some years missing from some countries

```
> strikes <- read.csv("strikes.csv", as.is = TRUE)
> dim(strikes)
```

```
[1] 625 8
```

```
> head(strikes, 3)
```

```
country year strike.volume unemployment inflation
1 Australia 1951
                          296
                                       1.3
                                                19.8
                                      2.2 17.2
2 Australia 1952
                          397
                                     2.5
                                               4.3
3 Australia 1953
                          360
 left.parliament centralization density
1
              43
                      0.3748588
                                     NΑ
              43
                      0.3751829 NA
3
              43
                      0.3745076
                                    NΑ
```

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Recall, data set on political economy of strikes:

```
> # Function to compute coefficients from regressing number
> # of strikes (per 1000 workers) on leftwing share of the
> # government
>
> my.strike.lm <- function(country.df) {
+ return(coef(lm(strike.volume ~ left.parliament,
+ data=country.df)))
+ }</pre>
```

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Strikes Data Set, Revisited

```
> # Getting regression coefficients separately
> # for each country, old way:
>
> strikes.list <- split(strikes, f = strikes$country)
> strikes.coefs <- sapply(strikes.list, my.strike.lm)
> strikes.coefs[, 1:12]
```

```
Australia Austria Belgium Canada (Intercept) 414.7712254 423.077279 -56.926780 -227.8218 left.parliament -0.8638052 -8.210886 8.447463 17.6766 Denmark Finland France Germany (Intercept) -1399.35735 108.2245 202.4261408 95.657134 left.parliament 34.34477 12.8422 -0.4255319 -1.312305 Ireland Italy Japan Netherlands (Intercept) -94.78661 -738.74531 964.73750 -32.627678 left.parliament 55.46721 40.29109 -24.07595 1.694387
```

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С

```
> # Getting regression coefficient separately for each
> # country, new way, in three formats:
> library(plyr)
> strike.coef.a <- daply(strikes, .(country), my.strike.lm)
> # Get back an array, note the difference to sapply()
>
> head(strike.coef.a)
```

| | | /T | 3 () 3 . |
|---------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|
| country | | (Intercept) | left.parliament |
| | Australia | 414.77123 | -0.8638052 |
| | Austria | 423.07728 | -8.2108864 |
| | Belgium | -56.92678 | 8.4474627 |
| | Canada | -227.82177 | 17.6766029 |
| | Denmark | -1399.35735 | 34.3447662 |
| | Finland | 108.22451 | 12.8422018 |
| | | | |

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```
> strike.coef.d <- ddply(strikes, .(country), my.strike.lm)
> head(strike.coef.d) # Get back a data frame
   country (Intercept) left.parliament
 Australia 414.77123 -0.8638052
2
   Austria 423.07728
                        -8.2108864
   Belgium -56.92678 8.4474627
3
4
    Canada -227.82177 17.6766029
5
   Denmark -1399.35735
                          34.3447662
6
   Finland 108.22451 12.8422018
```

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```
> strike.coef.l <- dlply(strikes, .(country), my.strike.lm)
> head(strike.coef.1, 3) # Get back a list
$Australia
    (Intercept) left.parliament
   414.7712254 -0.8638052
$Austria
    (Intercept) left.parliament
    423.077279 -8.210886
$Belgium
    (Intercept) left.parliament
    -56.926780
               8.447463
```

Section III

purrr

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Pipeline

- The first argument is always the data, so purrr works naturally with the pipe.
- The symbol %>% is used to construct the pipeline.
- All purrr functions are type-stable. They always return the advertised output type (map() returns lists; map_dbl() returns double vectors), or they throw an errror.
- All map() functions either accept function, formulas, a character vector, or a numeric vector.

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Basic purrr pipeline

Write a purrr pipeline that produces equivalent output to the function my.strike.lm

```
> # Function to compute coefficients from regressing number
> # of strikes (per 1000 workers) on leftwing share of the
> # government
>
 my.strike.lm <- function(country.df) {</pre>
   return(coef(lm(strike.volume ~ left.parliament,
+
                   data=country.df)))
+
 # Define Italy dataframe
> Italy.df <-strikes[strikes$country=="Italy",]
```

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Strikes Data Set, Revisited

Basic purrr pipeline

```
> # Old way
> my.strike.lm(Italy.df)
    (Intercept) left.parliament
    -738.74531 40.29109
> # purrr pipeline
> library(purrr)
 Italy.df%>%
 lm(strike.volume ~ left.parliament,data=.)%>%
+
 coef
    (Intercept) left.parliament
    -738.74531 40.29109
```

More about map()

What is map()?

- The map function transform the input, returning a vector the same length as the input.
- map() returns a list or a data frame.
- map_lgl(), map_int(), map_dbl() and map_chr() return vectors
 of the corresponding type; map_dfr() and map_dfc() return data
 frames created by row-binding and column-binding respectively.
- They require dplyr to be installed.

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More about map()

Basic Example

```
> # map() will output a list.
> map(c(1,exp(1),1000),log)
[[1]]
Γ1 0
[[2]]
[1] 1
[[3]]
[1] 6.907755
```

More about map()

Basic Example

```
> # map_dbl() outputs a double precision vector.
```

```
> map_dbl(1:3,log)
```

```
[1] 0.0000000 0.6931472 1.0986123
```

- > # map() is often used in a pipeline.
- > 1:3%>%map_dbl(log)

[1] 0.0000000 0.6931472 1.0986123

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More about map(): Basic Example

```
> # Write a R funciton
> f <- function(x) {return(log(x)+sin(x))}</pre>
> f(c(1,exp(1),1000))
 [1] 0.841471 1.410781 7.734635
> # Or use vectorized R operations
Create a function on the fly with a pipeline ~ log(.) + sin(.)
                                         function (x) \{\log(x) + \sin(x)\}
> # Use a purrr pipeline
> c(1,exp(1),1000)%>%map_dbl(~ log(.)+sin(.))
 [1] 0.841471 1.410781 7.734635
```

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Our Research Question

- Is there a relationship between a country's ruling party alignment (left versus right) and the volume of strikes?
- Use a purrr pipeline to accomplish this task.

Recall using dlply()

```
> strike.coef <- daply(strikes, .(country), my.strike.lm)
> head(strike.coef, 3) # returns an array
```

```
      country
      (Intercept)
      left.parliament

      Australia
      414.77123
      -0.8638052

      Austria
      423.07728
      -8.2108864

      Belgium
      -56.92678
      8.4474627
```

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purrr pipeline

```
> strike.coef <-
+ strikes%>%
+ split(.$country)%>%
+ map(~ lm(strike.volume ~ left.parliament,data=.))%>%
+ map(coef)
```

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Output as a list

```
> head(strike.coef,3) # returns a list
$Australia
    (Intercept) left.parliament
   414.7712254 -0.8638052
$Austria
    (Intercept) left.parliament
    423.077279 -8.210886
$Belgium
    (Intercept) left.parliament
    -56.926780
                  8.447463
```

Our Research Question

- Is there a relationship between a country's ruling party alignment (left versus right) and the volume of strikes?
- Use a purrr pipeline to accomplish this

purrr pipeline

```
> library(dplyr)
> # the map_dfr() depends on the dplyr package
> strike.coef <-
+ strikes%>%
+ split(.$country)%>%
+ map(~ lm(strike.volume ~ left.parliament,data=.))%>%
+ map_dfc(coef)
```

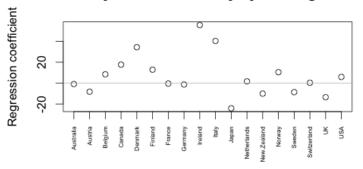
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Output as a dataframe (tibble class dataframe)

```
> strike.coef[,1:5] # returns a dataframe (tibble)
```

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Countrywise labor activity by leftwing score



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0.5086326 0.4645102 0.4229655

Our Research Question

- Consider the following example taken directly from the tidyverse website: https://www.tidyverse.org
- The following example usespurrr to solve a fairly realistic problem: split a data frame into pieces, fit a model to each piece, compute the summary, then extract the R².

```
> mtcars %>%
+ split(.$cyl) %>% # from base R
+ map(~ lm(mpg ~ wt, data = .)) %>%
+ map(summary) %>%
+ map_dbl("r.squared")
```

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Reshaping Dataframes

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Reshaping

Common to have data where some variables identify units, and others are measurements.

- Wide form: columns for ID variables plus 1 column per measurement.
 - Good for things like correlating measurements, or running regressions.
- **Narrow** form: columns for ID variables, plus 1 column identifying measurement, plus 1 column giving value.
 - Good for summarizing, subsetting.

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Reshaping

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Often want to convert between wide and narrow format, or change what's ID and what's measure

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- reshape package introduced data-reshaping tools.
- reshape2 package simplifies lots of common uses.
- melt() turns a wide dataframe into a narrow one.
- dcast() turns a narrow dataframe into a wide one.
- acast() turns a narrow dataframe into a wide array.

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Example ¹

snoqualmie.csv has precipitation every day in Snoqualmie, WA for 36 years (1948–1983). One row per year, one column per day, units of 1/100 inch.

```
360 361 362 363 364 365 366 year
1 0 0 0 0 49 114 17 1948
2 47 245 121 72 27 41 NA 1949
3 4 40 10 5 93 23 NA 1950
```

^aFrom P. Guttorp, Stochastic Modeling of Scientific Data

Example

```
year day precip
1 1948 1 136
2 1949 1 17
3 1950 1 1
4 1951 1 34
5 1952 1 0
6 1953 1 2
```

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Example

```
> tail(snoq.melt)
```

```
year day precip
13171 1978 366 NA
13172 1979 366 NA
13173 1980 366 80
13174 1981 366 NA
13175 1982 366 NA
13176 1983 366 NA
```

```
> dim(snoq.melt) # 36*366
```

```
[1] 13176 3
```

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Example

Being sorted by day of the year and then by year is a bit odd

```
> snoq.melt.chron <- snoq.melt[order(snoq.melt$year), ]</pre>
```

> head(snoq.melt.chron)

```
year day precip
1 1948 1 136
37 1948 2 100
73 1948 3 16
109 1948 4 80
145 1948 5 10
181 1948 6 66
```

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Example

Most years have 365 days so some missing values:

```
> leap.days <- snoq.melt.chron$day == 366
> sum(is.na(snoq.melt.chron$precip[leap.days]))
```

```
[1] 27
```

Example

Most years have 365 days so some missing values:

```
> leap.days <- snoq.melt.chron$day == 366
> sum(is.na(snoq.melt.chron$precip[leap.days]))
```

```
[1] 27
```

Tidy with na.omit():

```
> snoq.melt.chron <- na.omit(snoq.melt.chron)
```

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Example

Today's precipitation vs. next day's:

```
> short.chron <- snoq.melt.chron[-nrow(snoq.melt.chron), ]
> precip.next <- snoq.melt.chron$precip[-1]
> snoq.pairs <- data.frame(short.chron, precip.next)
> head(snoq.pairs)
```

| | year | day | precip | precip.next |
|-----|------|-----|--------|-------------|
| 1 | 1948 | 1 | 136 | 100 |
| 37 | 1948 | 2 | 100 | 16 |
| 73 | 1948 | 3 | 16 | 80 |
| 109 | 1948 | 4 | 80 | 10 |
| 145 | 1948 | 5 | 10 | 66 |
| 181 | 1948 | 6 | 66 | 88 |

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Example

```
> snoq[1:3, 360:367]
```

```
360 361 362 363 364 365 366 year

1 0 0 0 0 49 114 17 1948

2 47 245 121 72 27 41 NA 1949

3 4 40 10 5 93 23 NA 1950
```

acast() casts into an array rather than a dataframe.

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Example

- The formula could also specify multiple ID variables (including original measure variables), different measure variables (including original ID variables)...
- Also possible to apply functions to aggregates which all have the same IDs, select subsets of the data, etc.
- Recommended reading:
 - Hadley Wickham, "Reshaping Data with the reshape Package", Journal of Statistical Software 21 (2007): 12, http://www.jstatsoft.org/v21/i12

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Section IV

tidyr

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The tidyr package

tidyr is the latest package related to reshaping data.

tidyr and related packages

| tidyr | gather | spread |
|--------------|---------|--------|
| reshape(2) | melt | cast |
| spreadsheets | unpivot | pivot |
| databases | fold | unfold |

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Section V

ggplot

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BaseR Graphics

We study advanced visualization techniques using the mpg dataset. Let's try to answer the question: do cars with bigger engines use more fuel than cars with small engines?

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BaseR Graphics

> dim(mpg)

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Read about the data using ?mpg.

We study advanced visualization techniques using the mpg dataset. Let's try to answer the question: do cars with bigger engines use more fuel than cars with small engines?

```
[1] 234 11
> head(mpg,3)
# A tibble: 3 \times 11
 manufacturer model displ
                                 cyl trans drv
                          year
                                                     cty
 <chr>>
              <chr> <dbl> <int> <int> <chr> <chr> <int> <chr>
              a4 1.80 1999 4 auto(15) f
1 audi
                                                      18
                                   4 manual(âĂe f
2 audi
           a4 1.80 1999
3 audi
              a4
                    2.00 2008
                                   4 manual(âĂe f
```

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Basics of Plotting

Recall,

- Visualization variation (of a single variable):
 - hist() Histograms.
 - barplot() Bargraphs.
- Visualizing covariation (of multiple variables):
 - plot() Scatterplots.
 - boxplot() Boxplots (box-and-whisker plots).

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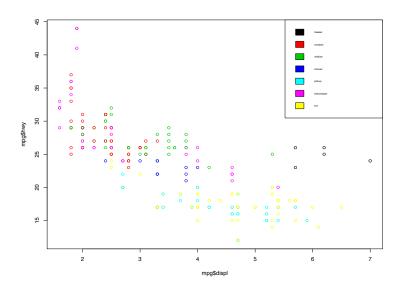
Building a Visualization: An Example

Base R. Code

```
> plot(mpg$displ,mpg$hwy,col = factor(mpg$class))
> legend("topright",
+ legend = levels(factor(mpg$class)),
+ fill = 1:length(levels(factor(mpg$class))),
+ cex = 1)
```

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Building a Visualization: An Example



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ggplot2

- R has several systems for making graphs (we've looked at the base R functions).
- ggplot2 is one of the most elegant and flexible.
- ggplot2 uses a coherent system (or 'grammar') for describing and building graphs.

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- ggplot2 uses a coherent system (or 'grammar') for describing and building graphs.

Need to run install.packages("ggplot2") now and library("ggplot2") every time you want to use it!

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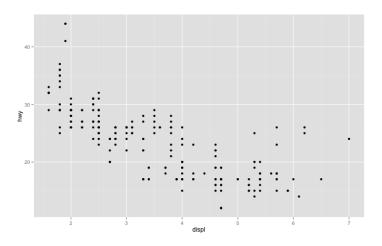
ggplot2

Let's try to answer the question: do cars with bigger engines use more fuel than cars with small engines?

```
Read about the data using ?mpg.
> dim(mpg)
[1] 234 11
> head(mpg, 3)
# A tibble: 3 \times 11
  manufacturer model displ year cyl trans drv
                                                 cty
  <chr>>
           <chr> <dbl> <int> <int> <chr> <chr> <int>
           a4 1.80 1999 4 auto(15) f
                                                  18
1 audi
2 audi a4 1.80 1999 4 manual(âĂe f
        a4 2.00 2008 4 manual(âĀe f
3 audi
# ... with 3 more variables: hwy <int>, fl <chr>,
```

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```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
```



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Let's break apart the code:

```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
```

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Let's break apart the code:

```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
```

- Begin a plot with ggplot().
 - It creates the coordinate axis that you add to.
 - The first argument is the dataset

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Let's break apart the code:

```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
```

- Begin a plot with ggplot().
 - It creates the coordinate axis that you add to.
 - The first argument is the dataset
- Next you want to add layers to the plot.
 - In our example: geom_point() adds a layer of points.
 - Lots of different geom functions doing different things.

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Let's break apart the code:

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ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
```

- Begin a plot with ggplot().
 - It creates the coordinate axis that you add to.
 - The first argument is the dataset
- Next you want to add layers to the plot.
 - In our example: geom_point() adds a layer of points.
 - Lots of different geom functions doing different things.
- geom functions take mapping arguments.
 - Defines how variables in your dataset are mapped to visual properties.
 - Always paired with aes().
 - The x and y arguments specify which variables to map to the axes.

General structure:

```
ggplot(data = <DATA>) +
  <GEOM_FUNCTION>(mapping = aes(<MAPPINGS>))
```

To create a plot, replace the bracketed sections in the code above with a datatset, a geom function, and a set of mappings.

From this template, we can make many different kinds of graphs using ggplot.

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Check Yourself

Tasks

- Plot just ggplot(data = mpg). What do you get?
- Make a scatterplot of hwy vs. cyl.
- Make a scatterplot of class vs. drv. Why is this plot not useful?

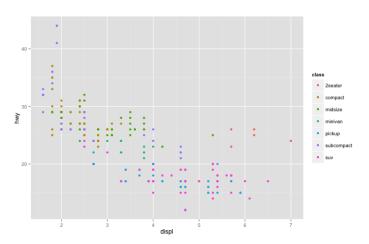
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Aesthetic Mappings

- We can add a third variable to a scatterplot by mapping it to an aesthetic.
- An aesthetic is a visual property of the objects in the plot.
- Things like size, color, shape of points.

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```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x=displ, y=hwy, color=class))
```



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Check Yourself

Tasks

- Instead of mapping class to the color aesthetic, map it to the alpha aesthetic or the size aesthetic.
- Instead of mapping class to the color aesthetic, map it to the shape aesthetic. Note that ggplot() will only use 6 shapes at a time. What does this mean for our plot?
- What does the following code do?
 ggplot(data = mpg) +
 geom_point(mapping = aes(x=displ, y=hwy), color="blue")
- Map a continuous variable in the mpg dataset, like cty, to the alpha, shape, and size aesthetics. What does this do?

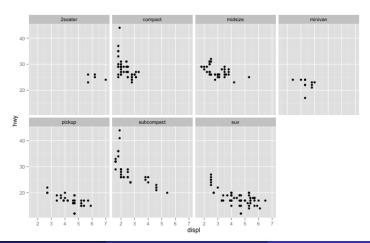
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Facets

- We saw we could add categorical variables to plots using aesthetics.
- Can also do this by splitting the plot into **facets**, which are subplots that each display one subset of the data.
- Use the fact_wrap() command to facet a plot by a single variable.
- The argument is a formula created with ~ followed by a variable name.

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```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)) +
  facet_wrap(~ class, nrow = 2)
```



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Tasks

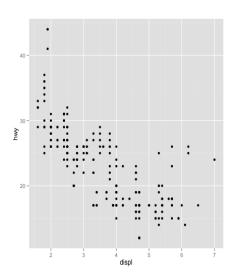
 Facet on two variables use the facet_grid() command. An example is the following:

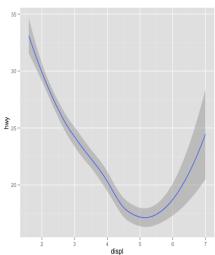
```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)) +
  facet_grid(drv ~ class)
```

What do the empty cells mean?

- Look at ?facet_wrap. What do nrow and ncol do? Why doesn't facet_grid() have nrow and ncol arguments?
- What happens if you facet on a continuous variable?

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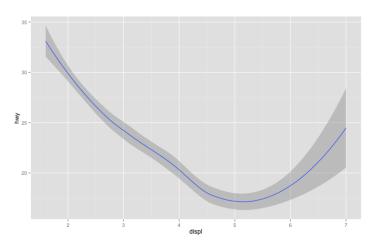


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- In the previous slide, each plot used a different **visual object** to represent the data.
- Produce this by using different geoms.
- A geom is a geometrical object used to represent data in a plot.
- Often describe plots by the type of geom they use. For example, bar graphs use bar geoms.

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```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_smooth(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
```



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- Every geom takes a mapping argument but not every aesthetic works with every geom.
 - E.g., you can set the shape of a point, but not a line. You can set the linetype of a line.
- ggplot2 has around 30 different geoms.
- Can get help with ?geom_smooth, for example.

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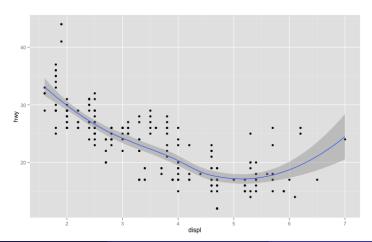
Some Commonly-used geoms

| geom Name | Used to | Aesthetics |
|----------------|---|--------------|
| geom_histogram | Visualize a Continuous Variable | x . |
| geom_bar | Visualize a Discrete Variable | x. |
| geom_point | Visualize a Two Continuous Variables | x, y. |
| geom_text | Add Labels to a Plot | x, y, label. |
| geom_boxplot | Visualize Continuous and Discrete Variables | x, y. |
| geom_jitter | Visualize a Two Variables | x, y. |
| many more | | |

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Layering geoms

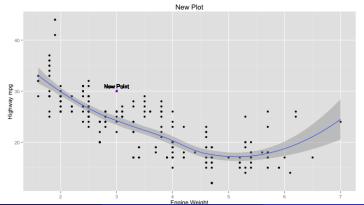
```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)) +
  geom_smooth(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
```



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Adding Axis Labels

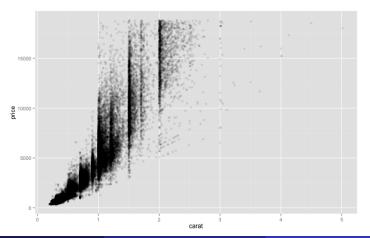
```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)) +
  geom_smooth(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x=3, y=30), color = "purple") +
  geom_text(mapping = aes(x=3, y=31, label = "New Point"), size=4) -
  labs(title = "New Plot", x = "Engine Weight", y = "Highway mpg")
```



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Layering geoms

```
> ggplot(data = diamonds) +
+     geom_point(mapping = aes(x = carat, y = price),
+          alpha = 1/10)
```



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Check Yourself

Exercise:

Use the built-in iris dataset.

- Plot iris Sepal. Width on the x-axis and Sepal. Length on the y-axis. Color the points according to whether the iris is a setosa or not.
- Plot two regression lines on the plot, one for the setosa iris and one for non-setosa iris. Hint: Use geom_abline(intercept, slope).

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