

ScPoEconometrics

Tidying, Visualising and Summarising Data

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Quick "Quiz" on Last Week's Material

1. From your *computer* ↗ connect to www.wooclap.com/SCPOINTRO

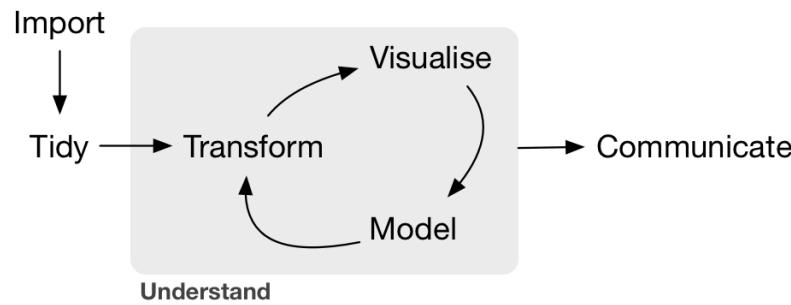
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2. From your *phone* ↗ flash QR code below



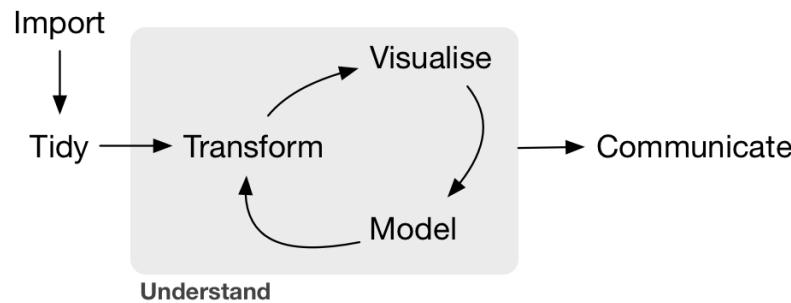
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- According to a 2014 NYTimes article, "data scientists [...] spend from **50 percent to 80 percent of their time** mired in this more mundane labor of collecting and preparing unruly digital data, before it can be explored for useful nuggets."
- In the next two lectures you will learn the basics of **tidying**, **visualising** and **summarising** data



Tidying Data

Intro to dplyr

- `dplyr` is part of the `tidyverse` package family.
- `data.table` is an alternative. Very fast but a bit more difficult.
- Both have pros and cons. We'll start you off with `dplyr`.



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- Alternatively you can (should) use the `pipe` operator `%>%`:

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6. `group_by()`: All the above can be used in conjunction with `group_by()` to use function on groups rather than entire data



Data on 2016 US election polls from the `dslabs` package

- This dataset contains **real** data on polls made during the 2016 US Presidential elections and compiled by **fivethirtyeight**

```
library(dslabs)
library(tidyverse)
data(polls_us_election_2016) # this data is from fivethirtyeight.com
polls_us_election_2016 <- as_tibble(polls_us_election_2016)
head(polls_us_election_2016[,1:6]) # show first 6 lines of first 6 variables

## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##   state startdate enddate pollster grade samplesize
##   <fct> <date>    <date>   <fct>   <fct>      <int>
## 1 U.S. 2016-11-03 2016-11-06 ABC News/Washington Post     A+        2220
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## 6 U.S. 2016-11-03 2016-11-06 Fox News/Anderson Robbins Research/... A        1295
```

★ This is a `tibble` (more informative than `data.frame`)

What variables does this dataset contain?



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```
polls_us_election_2016 %>%  
  filter(grade == "A" & samplesize > 2000 & rawpoll_trump > 45)  
  
## # A tibble: 1 x 15  
##   state startdate enddate   pollster grade samplesize population rawpoll_clinton  
##   <fct> <date>    <date>    <fct>    <fct>    <int> <chr>          <dbl>  
## 1 Indi... 2016-04-26 2016-04-28 Marist ... A         2149 rv             41  
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Standard suite of comparison operators:

- `>`: greater than,
- `<`: smaller than,
- `>=`: greater than or equal to,
- `<=`: smaller than or equal to,
- `!=`: not equal to,
- `==`: equal to.

Logical operators:

1. `x & y`: `x` **and** `y`
2. `x | y`: `x` **or** `y`
3. `!y`: **not** `y`



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R has the convenient `x %in% y` operator (conversely `!x %in% y`),
TRUE if x is a member of y.

```
3 %in% 1:3  
## [1] TRUE  
  
c(2,5) %in% 2:10 # also vectorized  
## [1] TRUE TRUE  
  
c("S", "Po") %in% c("Sciences", "Po") # also strings  
## [1] FALSE TRUE
```



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  mutate(trump_clinton_tot = rawpoll_trump + rawpoll_clinton,  
        trump_raw_adj_diff = rawpoll_trump - adjpoll_trump)  
  
## # A tibble: 4,208 x 17  
##   state startdate enddate   pollster grade samplesize population rawpoll_clinton  
##   <fct> <date>   <date>   <fct>   <fct>     <int> <chr>          <dbl>  
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  names()

## [1] "state"                  "startdate"                "enddate"                 "pollster"
## [5] "grade"                   "samplesize"               "population"              "rawpoll_clinton"
## [9] "rawpoll_trump"           "rawpoll_johnson"          "rawpoll_mcmullin"        "adjpoll_clinton"
## [13] "adjpoll_trump"           "adjpoll_johnson"          "adjpoll_mcmullin"        "trump_clinton_tot"
## [17] "trump_raw_adj_diff"
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```
polls_us_election_2016 %>%  
  select(state,startdate,enddate,pollster,rawpoll_clinton,rawpoll_trump)  
  
## # A tibble: 4,208 x 6  
##   state    startdate    enddate    pollster      rawpoll_clinton  rawpoll_trump  
##   <fct>     <date>      <date>      <fct>            <dbl>           <dbl>  
## 1 U.S.    2016-11-03 2016-11-06 ABC News/Washington Post        47             43  
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```
polls_us_election_2016 %>%  
  summarise(max_trump = max(rawpoll_trump))  
  
## # A tibble: 1 x 1  
##   max_trump  
##       <dbl>  
## 1       68
```

```
summarise()
```



dplyr Verbs

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Example: What is the average vote share for Clinton by poll grade?

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```
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  group_by(grade)  
  
## # A tibble: 4,208 x 15  
## # Groups:   grade [11]  
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##       <fct>   <date>    <date>   <fct>   <fct>     <int>   <chr>          <dbl>  
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Mutate

```
polls_us_election_2016 %>%  
  group_by(grade) %>%  
  class()
```

Select

```
## [1] "grouped_df"  "tbl_df"       "tbl"          "data.frame"
```

Summarise

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## # ... with 4,198 more rows, and 7 more variables: rawpoll_trump <dbl>,  
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```



dplyr Verbs

Filter

Example: What is the average vote share for Clinton by poll grade?

Mutate

```
polls_us_election_2016 %>%  
  group_by(grade) %>%  
  summarise(mean_vote_clinton = mean(rawpoll_clinton))
```

Select

```
## # A tibble: 11 x 2  
##   grade  mean_vote_clinton  
##   <fct>      <dbl>  
## 1 D          46.7  
## 2 C-         43.2  
## 3 C          41.8  
## 4 C+         44.2  
## 5 B-         43.9  
## 6 B          37.3  
## 7 B+         44.1  
## 8 A-         43.0  
## 9 A          45.3  
## 10 A+        45.8  
## 11 <NA>       43.2
```

Summarise

Apply function by group

```
group_by()
```



Chaining Commands Together

Works for all `dplyr` verbs:

```
polls_us_election_2016
```

```
## # A tibble: 4,208 x 15
##   state startdate enddate   pollster grade samplesize popu...
##   <fct> <date>   <date>   <fct>   <fct>   <int> <chr> ...
## 1 U.S.  2016-11-03 2016-11-06 ABC New... A+        2220 lv
## 2 U.S.  2016-11-01 2016-11-07 Google ... B         26574 lv
## 3 U.S.  2016-11-02 2016-11-06 Ipsos    A-        2195 lv
## 4 U.S.  2016-11-04 2016-11-07 YouGov   B         3677 lv
## 5 U.S.  2016-11-03 2016-11-06 Gravis ... B-       16639 rv
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```



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```
polls_us_election_2016 %>%  
  mutate(trump_clinton_diff = rawpoll_trump-rawpoll_c:  
  
## # A tibble: 4,208 x 16  
##   state startdate enddate   pollster grade samplesize popu...  
##   <fct> <date>   <date>   <fct>   <fct>   <int> <chr>  
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## #   trump_clinton_diff <dbl>
```



Chaining Commands Together

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```
polls_us_election_2016 %>%
  mutate(trump_clinton_diff = rawpoll_trump-rawpoll_c:
  filter(trump_clinton_diff>5 &
         state == "Iowa" &
         is.na(rawpoll_johnson))
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 16
##   state startdate enddate   pollster grade samplesize popula...
##   <fct> <date>    <date>    <fct>   <fct>     <int> <chr> ...
## 1 Iowa  2016-09-09 2016-09-29 Ipsos   A-        343 lv
## 2 Iowa  2016-09-02 2016-09-22 Ipsos   A-        344 lv
## 3 Iowa  2016-08-26 2016-09-15 Ipsos   A-        347 lv
## # ... with 8 more variables: rawpoll_trump <dbl>, rawpoll_johnso...
## #   rawpoll_mcmullin <dbl>, adjpoll_clinton <dbl>, adjpoll_tru...
## #   adjpoll_johnson <dbl>, adjpoll_mcmullin <dbl>, trump_clint...
```



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         state == "Iowa" &
         is.na(rawpoll_johnson)) %>%
  select(pollster)
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 1
##   pollster
##   <fct>
## 1 Ipsos
## 2 Ipsos
## 3 Ipsos
```



Chaining Commands Together

But also with other  commands:

```
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## [1] 1148.216
```



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```

```
polls_us_election_2016 %>% count()  
## # A tibble: 1 x 1  
##       n  
##   <int>  
## 1 4208
```



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```
x <- NA
```

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```
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```

```
## [1] NA
```

```
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```

```
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```

- What is confusing is that

```
NA == NA  
## [1] NA
```

- It's easy to illustrate like that:

```
# Let x be Mary's age. We don't know how old she  
x <- NA  
  
# Let y be John's age. We don't know how old he is  
y <- NA  
  
# Are John and Mary the same age?  
x == y  
## [1] NA  
  
#> [1] NA  
# We don't know!
```



Task 1

10 : 00

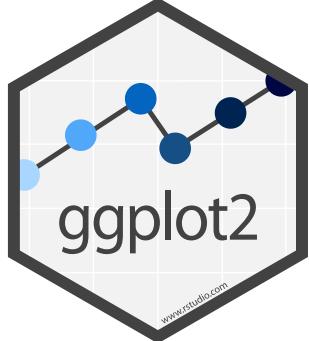
Load the data as explained on slide 8.

1. How many polls have a missing grade?
2. Which polls were (i) polled by American Strategies, GfK Group or Merrill Poll, (ii) had a sample size greater than 1,000, *and* (iii) started on October 20th, 2016?
3. Which polls (i) did not have missing poll data for Johnson, (ii) had a combined raw poll vote share for Trump and Clinton greater than 95% *and* (iii) had a sample size greater than 1,000?
4. Which polls (i) did not poll for vote intentions for Johnson, (ii) had a difference in raw poll vote shares between Trump and Clinton greater than 5, and (iii) were done in the state of Iowa?
5. Which state had the highest average Trump vote share for polls which had at least a sample size of 2,000? (*Hint: you'll have to use filter, group_by, summarise and arrange. To obtain ranking in descending order check arrange's help page.*)



Visualising Data

Base R and ggplot2



- Base R plotting is fairly good.
- There is an extremely powerful alternative: ggplot2 (part of the tidyverse suite) → what we'll be using
- Let's go back to the gapminder dataset to run the examples.



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- Here are the first 3 rows and last 2 rows.

```
head(gapminder, n = 3)
```

```
##   country year infant_mortality life_expectancy fertility population      gdp
## 1 Albania 1960        115.4       62.87       6.19    1636054       NA
## 2 Algeria 1960        148.2       47.50       7.65   11124892 13828152297
## 3 Angola 1960        208.0       35.98       7.32    5270844       NA
##   continent      region
## 1 Europe Southern Europe
## 2 Africa Northern Africa
## 3 Africa Middle Africa
```

```
tail(gapminder, n = 2)
```

```
##       country year infant_mortality life_expectancy fertility population gdp continent
## 10544 Zambia 2016             NA       57.10       NA       NA NA Africa
## 10545 Zimbabwe 2016            NA       61.69       NA       NA NA Africa
##               region
## 10544 Eastern Africa
## 10545 Eastern Africa
```



Task 2

05 : 00

1. What variables does this dataset contain?
2. How are the data stored?
3. Create a new variable called `gdppercap` corresponding to `gdp` divided by `population`.
4. Compute the average population per continent per year, `mean_pop`, removing missing values and assign the output to a new object `gapminder_new`.



gg is for Grammar of Graphics¹

[1]: The following slides are taken from [Garrick Aden-Buie](#)'s wonderful [Gentle Guide to the Grammar of Graphics with ggplot2](#)



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Start by asking

1. What information do I want to use in my visualization?
2. Is that data contained in *one column/row* for a given data point?



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Data

Map data to visual elements or parameters

- year
- population
- country

Aesthetics

+ aes()



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- year → **x**
- population → **y**
- country → *shape, color, etc.*



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```
aes(  
  x = year,  
  y = population,  
  color = country  
)
```

```
+ aes()
```



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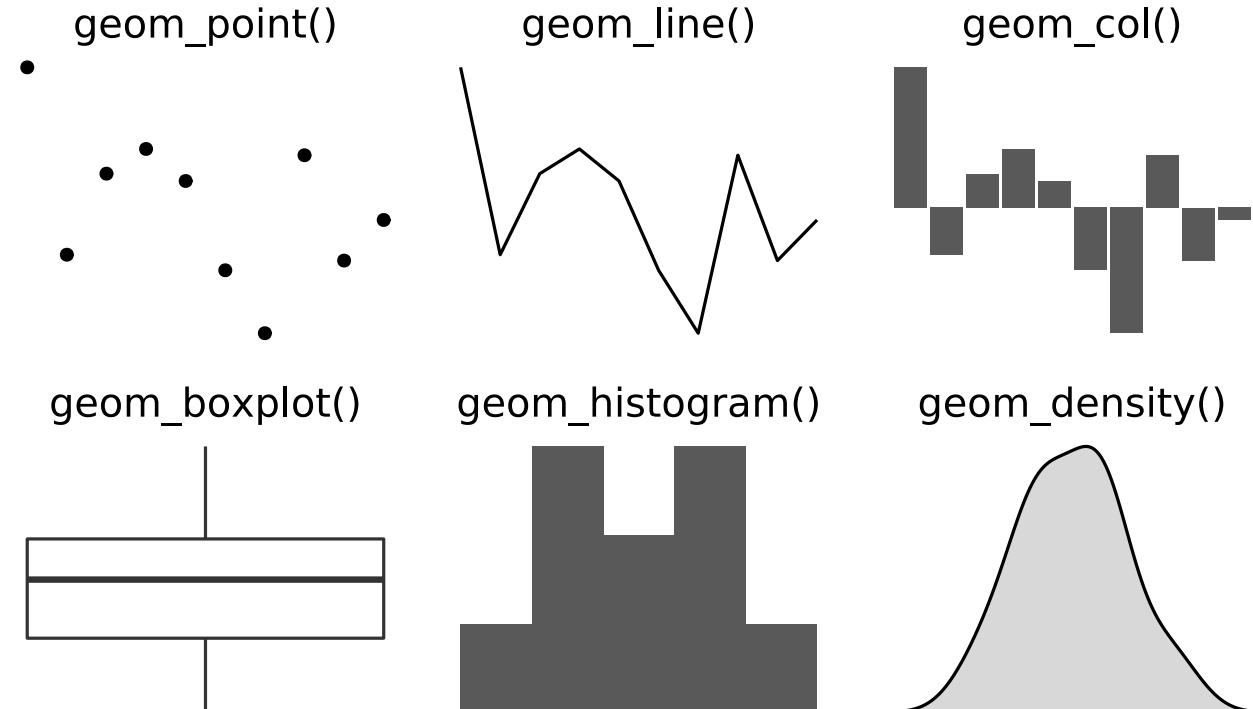
Data

Aesthetics

Geoms

+ geom_*

Geometric objects displayed on the plot



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Here are the **some of the most widely used geoms**

Type	Function
Point	geom_point()
Line	geom_line()
Bar	geom_bar(), geom_col()
Histogram	geom_histogram()
Regression	geom_smooth()
Boxplot	geom_boxplot()
Text	geom_text()
Vert./Horiz. Line	geom_{vh}line()
Count	geom_count()
Density	geom_density()



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Just start typing `geom_` in RStudio to see all the options

Aesthetics

```
ggplot(df_geom) +  
  aes(x, y) +  
  |
```

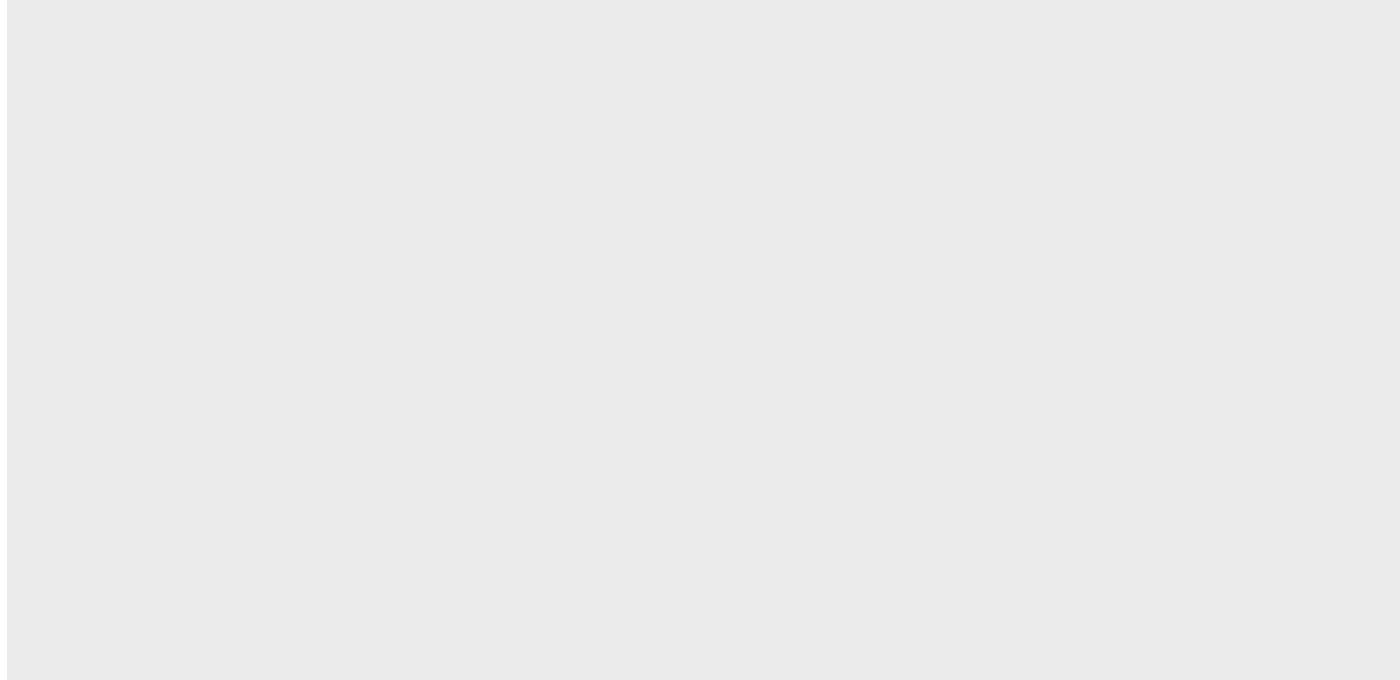
Geoms

```
+ geom_()
```



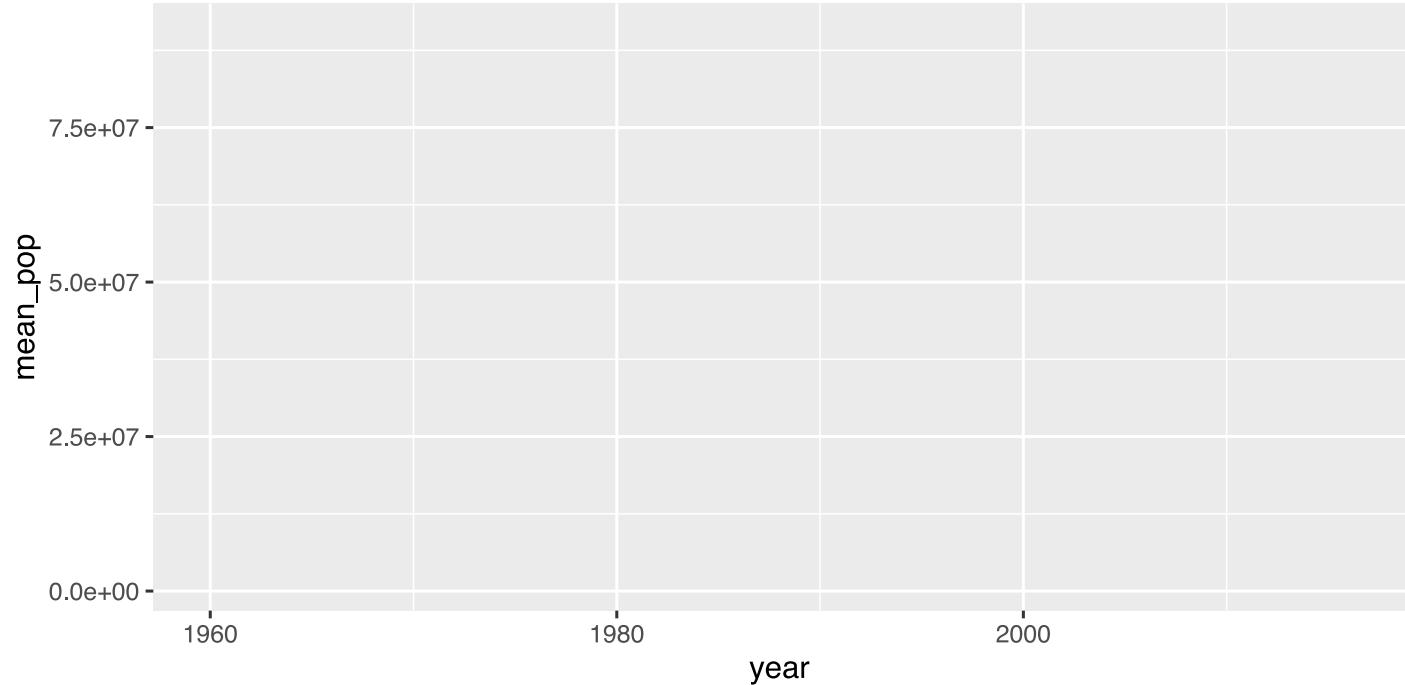
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```
gapminder_mean %>%  
  ggplot()
```



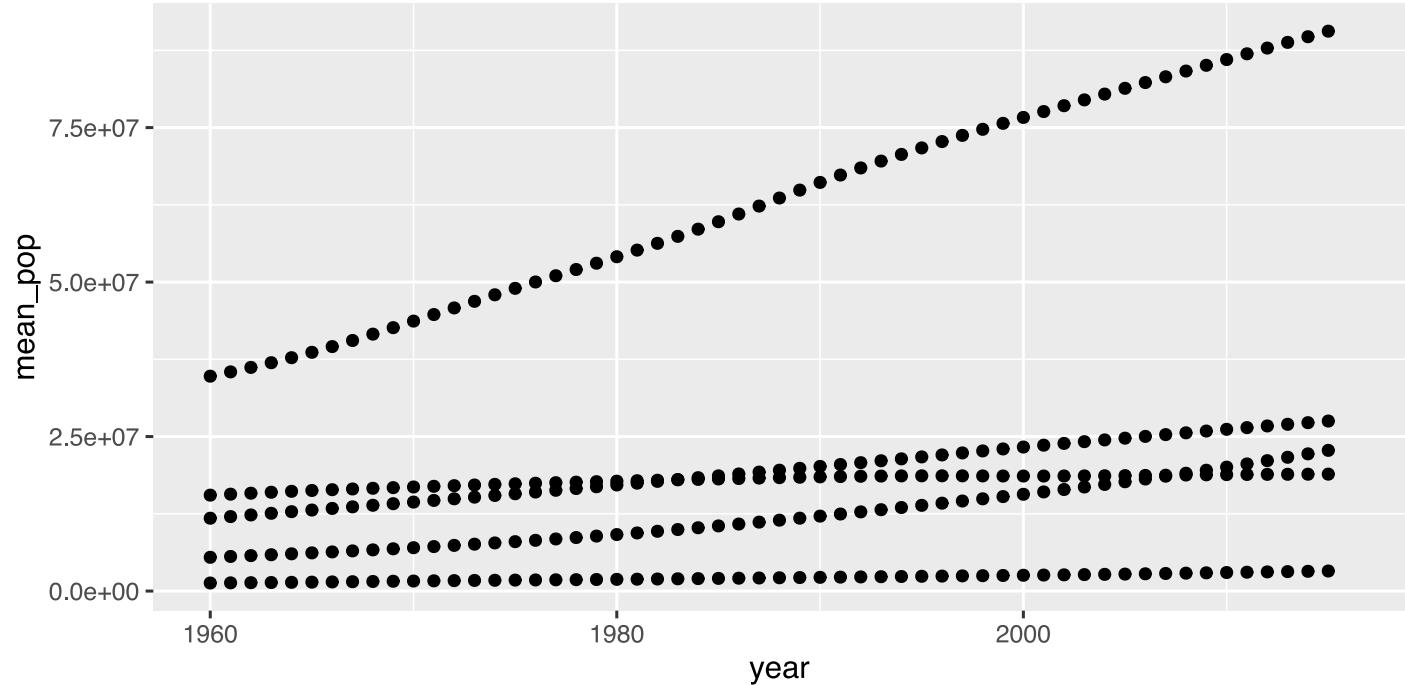
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  aes(x = year,  
      y = mean_pop)
```



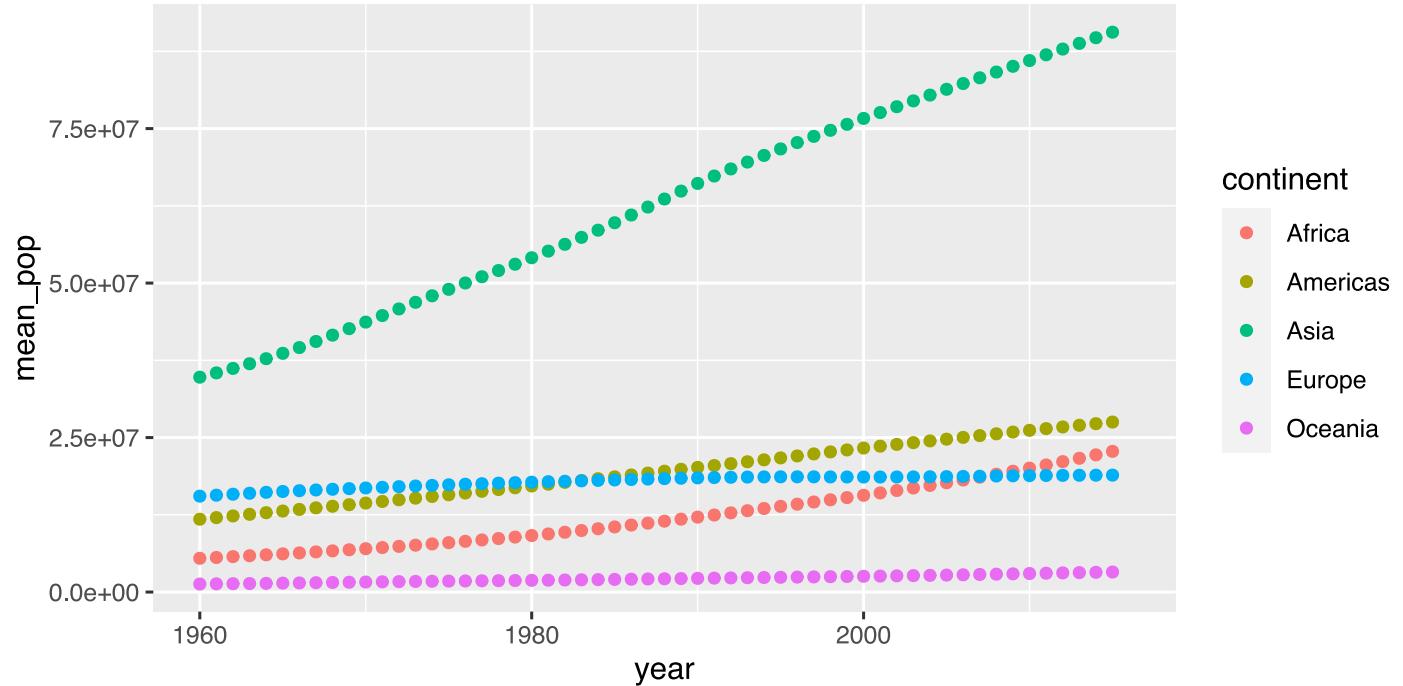
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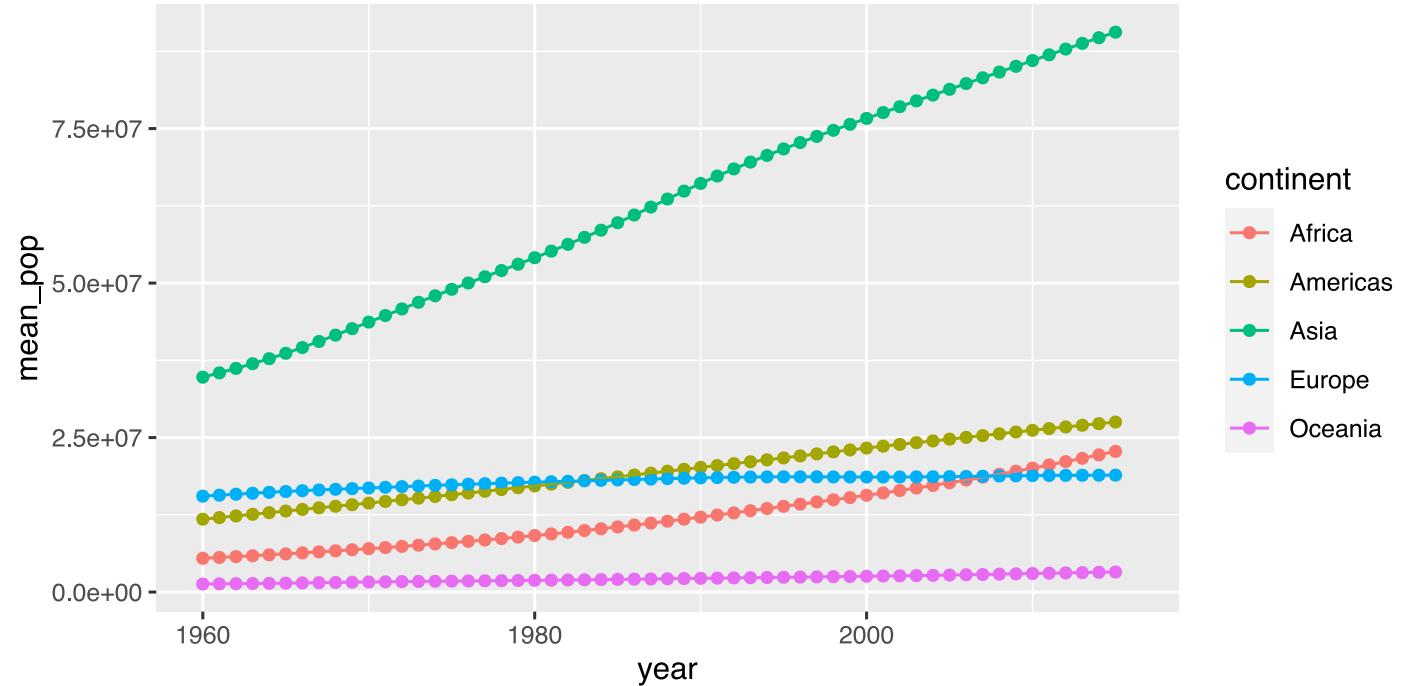
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```
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```



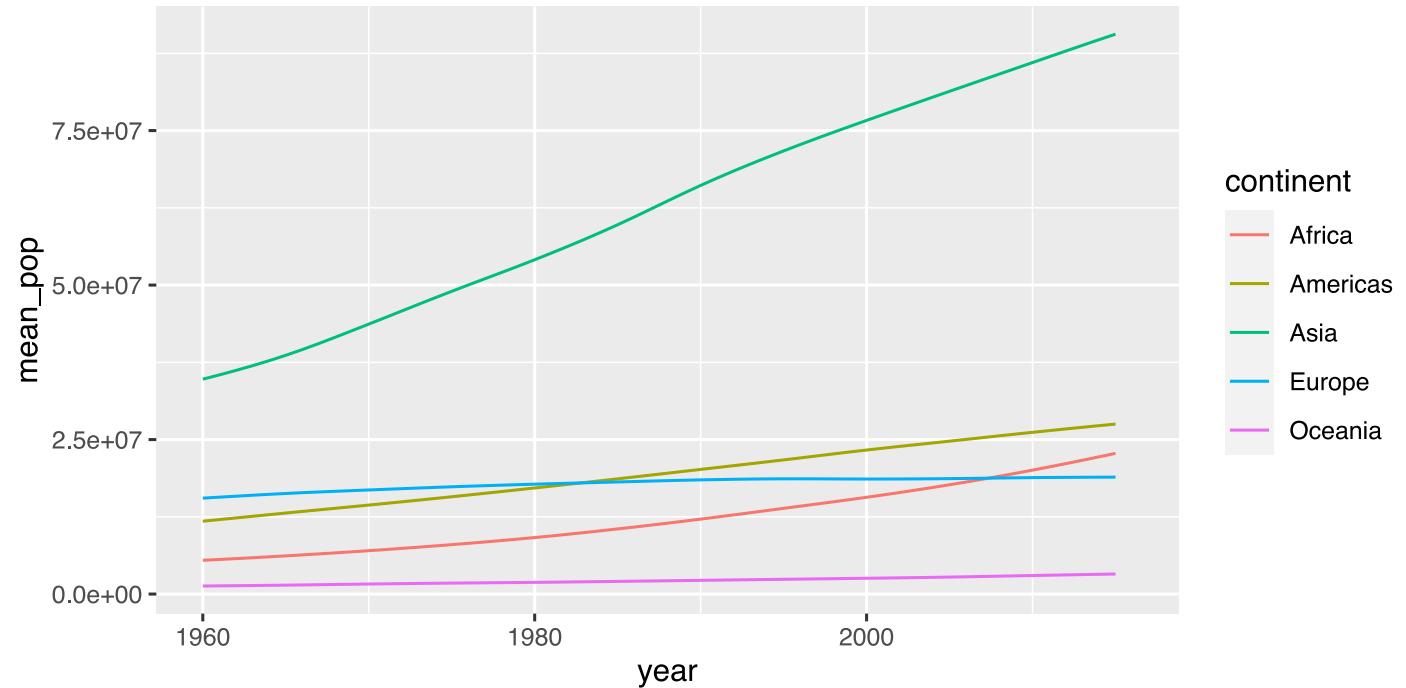
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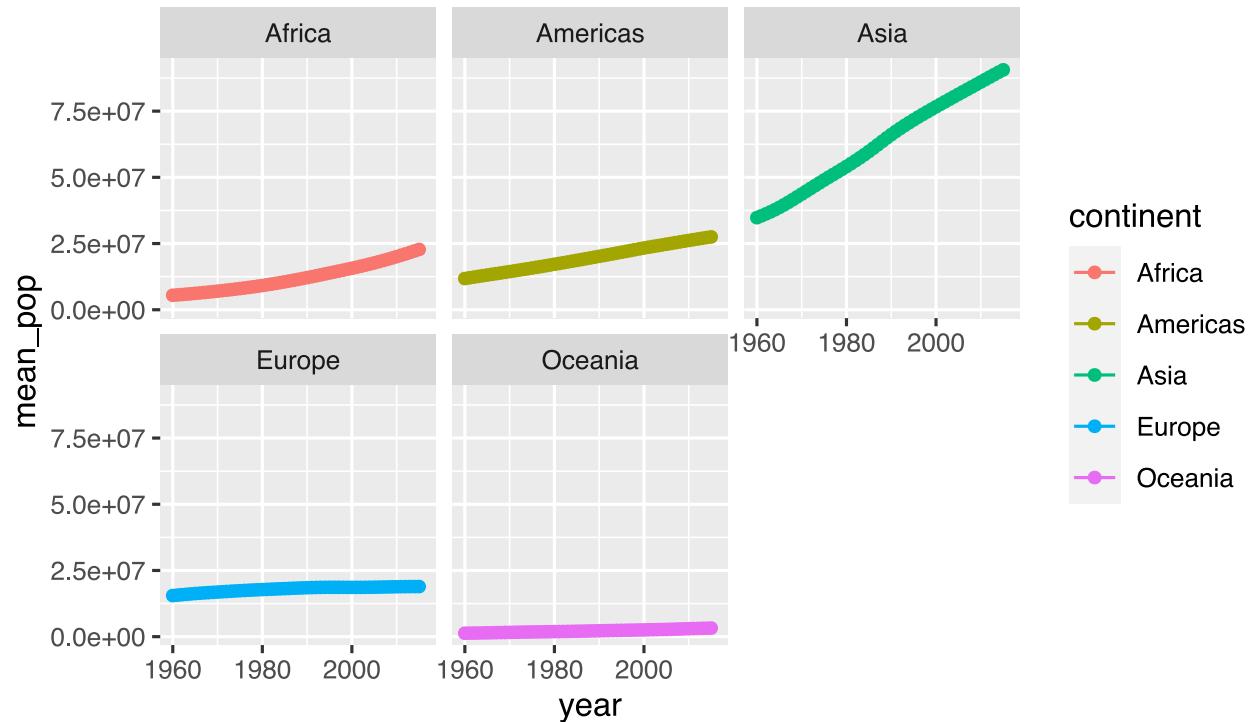
Aesthetics

Geoms

Facet

```
+ facet_wrap()  
+ facet_grid()
```

```
g + facet_wrap(~ continent)
```



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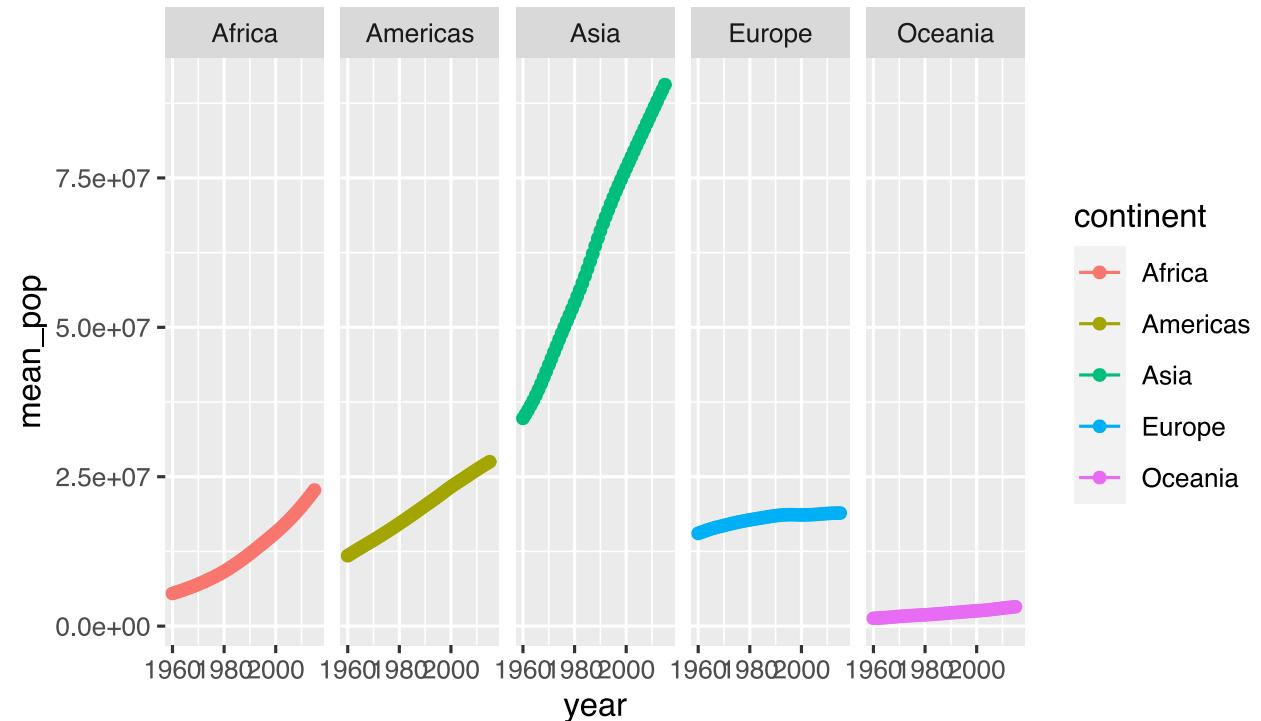
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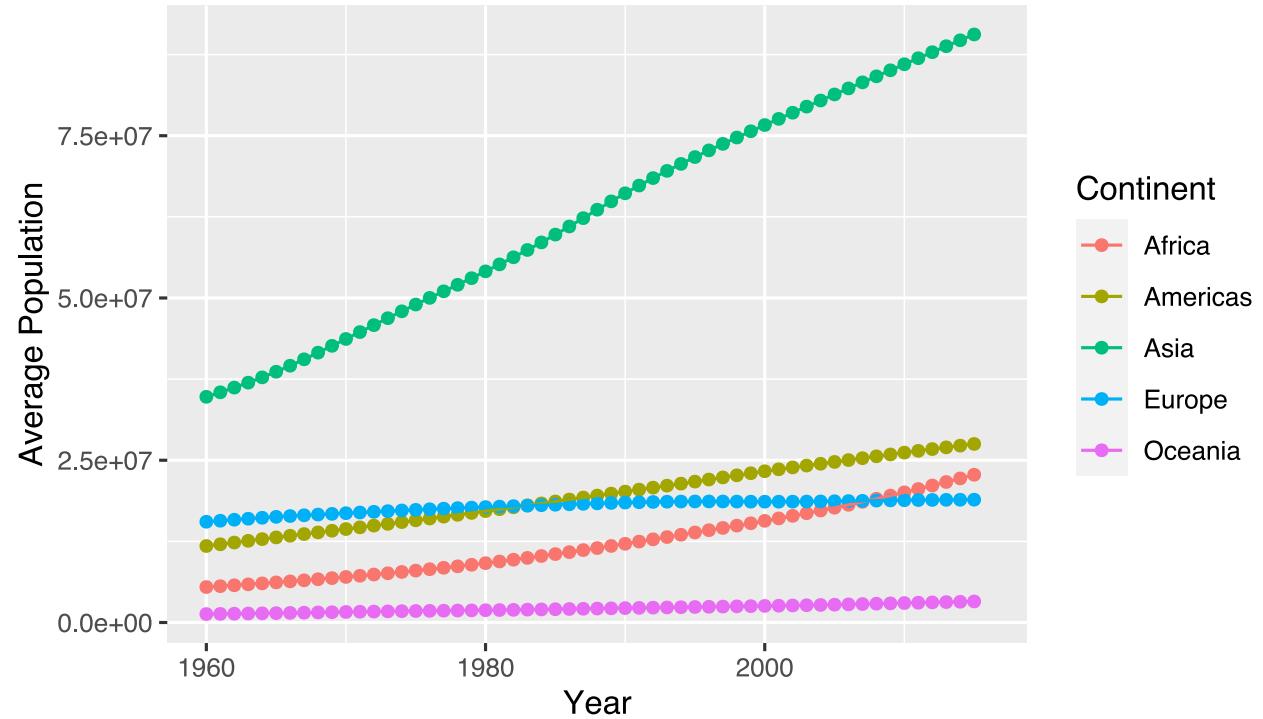
Geoms

Facet

Labels

+ labs()

```
g + labs(x = "Year", y = "Average Population", color = "Continent")
```



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Data

`scale + _ + <aes> + _ + <type> + ()`

What parameter do you want to adjust? → `<aes>`

Aesthetics

What type is the parameter? → `<type>`

Geoms

- I want to change my discrete x-axis
`scale_x_discrete()`

Facet

- I want to change range of point sizes from continuous variable

`scale_size_continuous()`

Labels

- I want to rescale y-axis as log

`scale_y_log10()`

Scales

- I want to use a different color palette

`scale_fill_discrete()`

`scale_color_manual()`

+ `scale_*_*()`



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Aesthetics

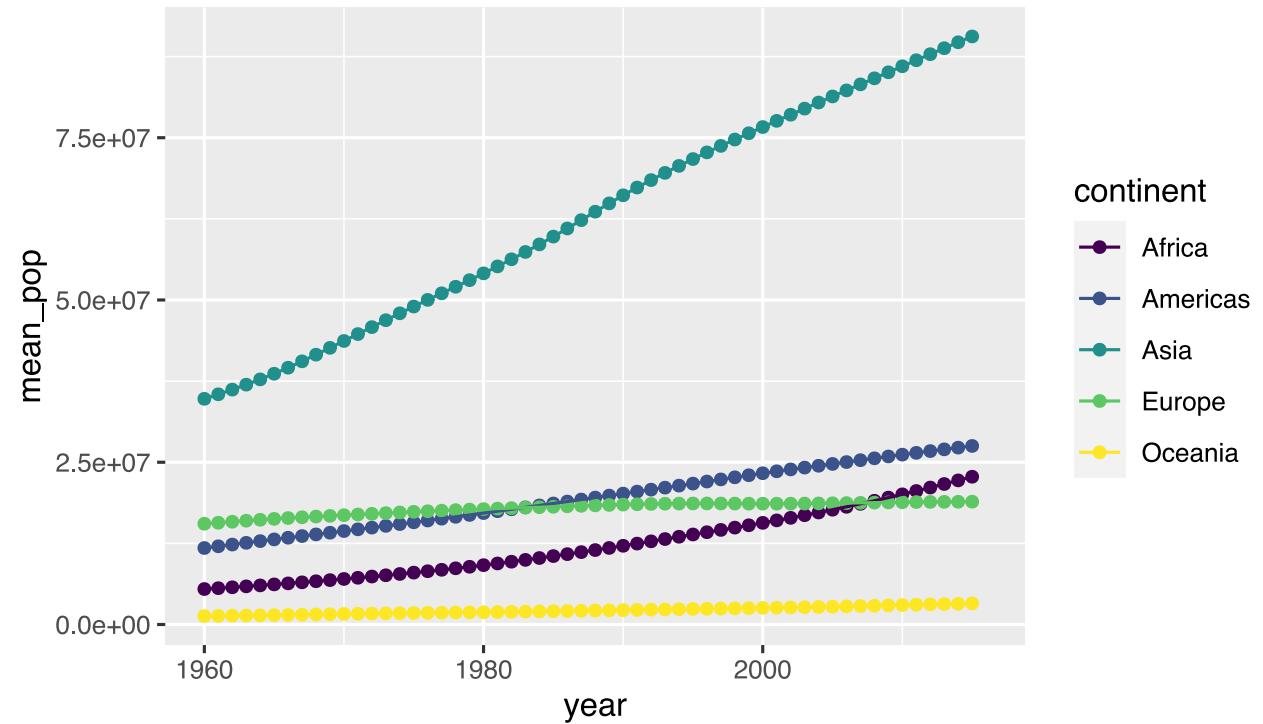
Geoms

Facet

Labels

Scales

```
g + scale_color_viridis_d()
```



```
+ scale_*_*()
```



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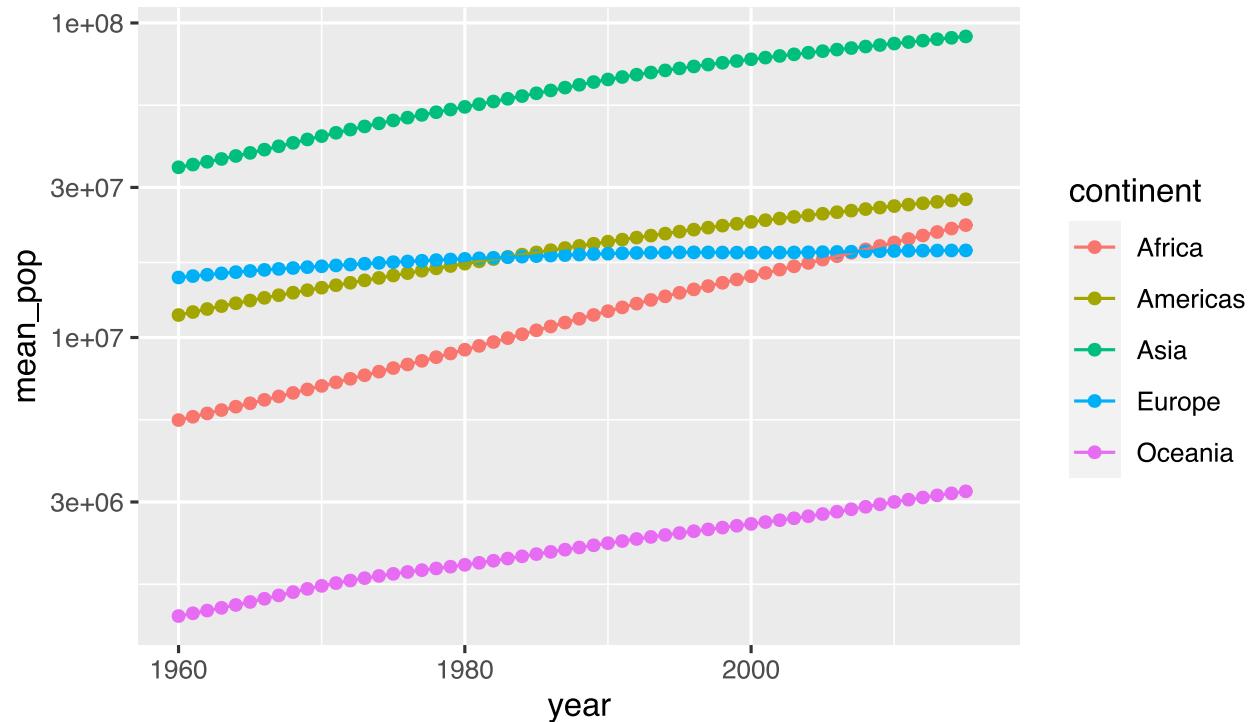
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+ scale_**()

g + scale_y_log10()



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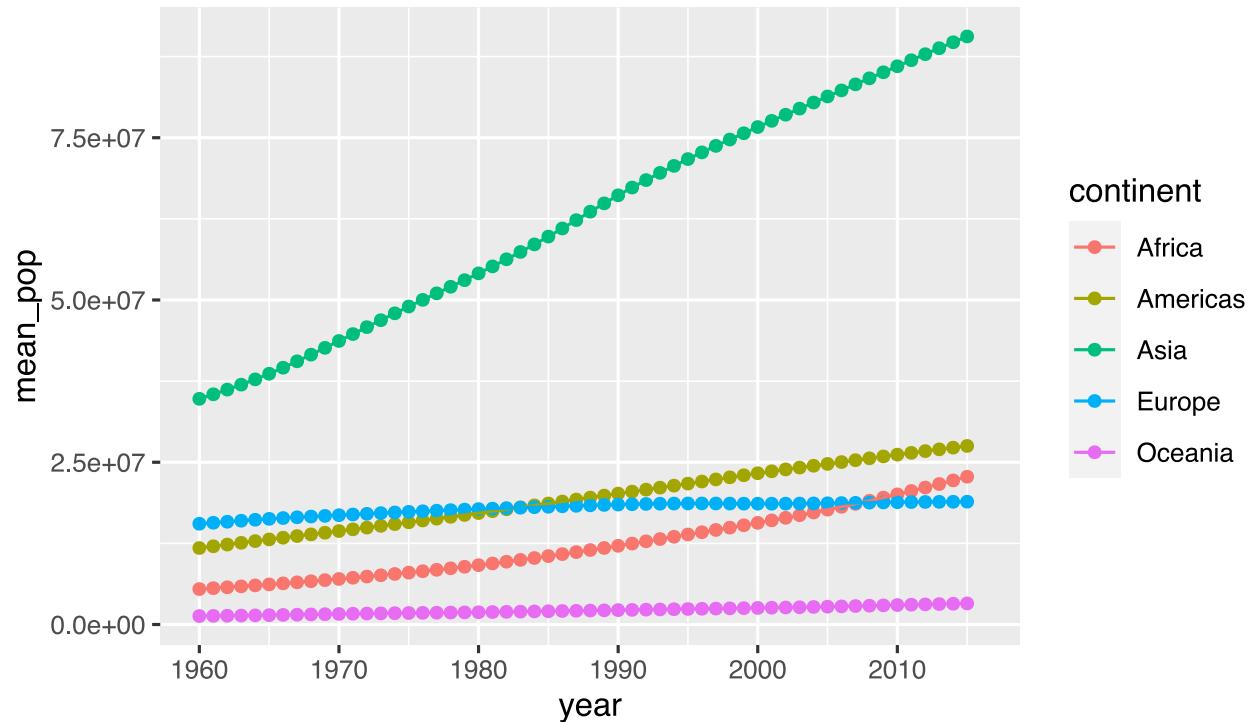
Geoms

Facet

Labels

Scales

```
g + scale_x_continuous(breaks = seq(1950, 2020, 10))
```



```
+ scale_*_*()
```



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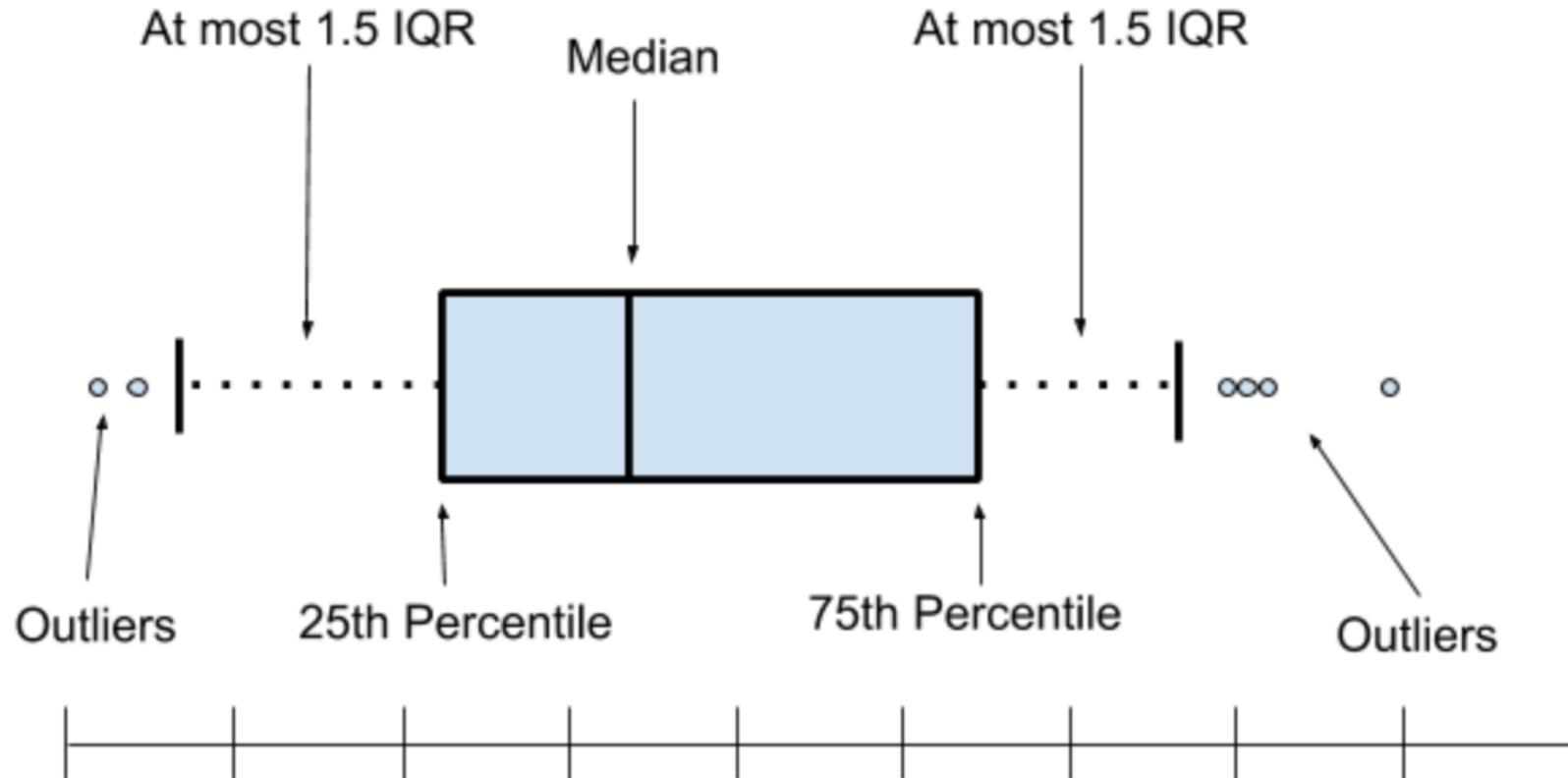
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Boxplots: displays the distribution of a variable.

Scatter plots: shows the association between two variables.



Task 3

10 : 00

Using the `gapminder` data, create the following plots using `ggplot2`. Don't forget to label the axes.

1. A histogram of life expectancy in 2015. Within the appropriate `geom_*` set: `binwidth` to 5, `boundary` to 45, `colour` to "white" and `fill` to "#d90502".
2. Using the previous graph, facet it by continent such that each continent's plot is a new row. (*Hint: check the help for `facet_grid`.*)
3. A boxplot of average life expectancy per year by continent (removing missing values). Within the appropriate `geom_*` set: `colour` to "black" and `fill` to "#d90502". (*Hint: you need to group by both `continent` and `year`.*)
4. A scatter plot of fertility rate (y-axis) with respect to infant mortality (x-axis) in 2015. Within the appropriate `geom_*` set: `size` to 3, `alpha` to 0.5, `colour` to "#d90502".



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- In particular, let's look at two features: *central tendency* and *spread*.



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```
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```

```
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```

```
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`median`: the value x_j below and above which 50% of the values in `x` lie. m is the median if

$\Pr(X \leq m) \geq 0.5$ and $\Pr(X \geq m) \geq 0.5$

The median is robust against *outliers*.

```
median(x)
```

```
## [1] 2
```



Spread

Another interesting feature is how much a variable is *spread out* about its center (the mean in this case).

The *variance* is such a measure.

$$Var(X) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

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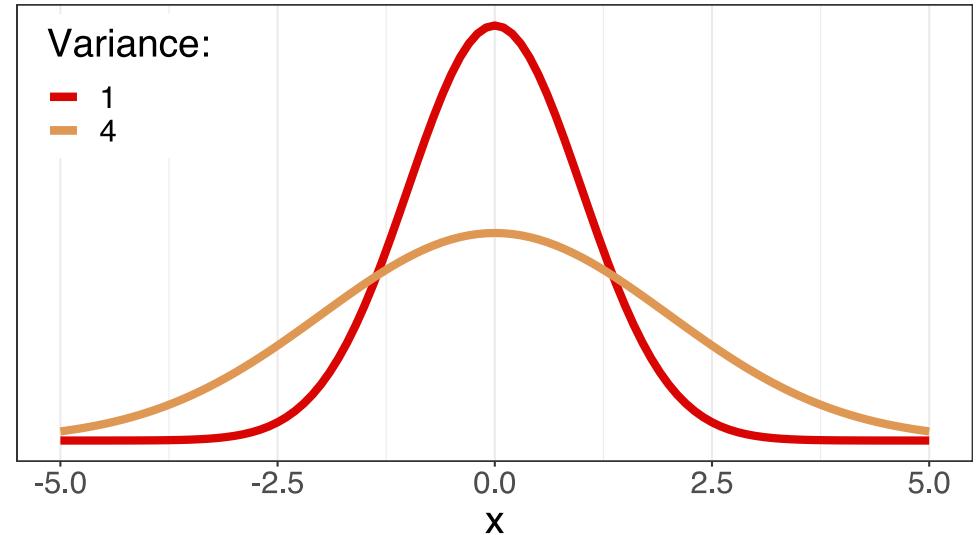
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Compute with:

```
var(x)  
range(x) # range
```



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```
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The same can be achieved using the `count` function (from `dplyr`)

```
gapminder %>% count(continent)

## #> #> continent n
## #> #> 1 Africa 2907
## #> #> 2 Americas 2052
## #> #> 3 Asia 2679
## #> #> 4 Europe 2223
## #> #> 5 Oceania 684
```



Tabulating Data

Given two variables, `table` produces a contingency table:

```
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With `prop.table`, we can get proportions:

```
# proportions by row
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# proportions by column
prop.table(table(gapminder_new$fertility_above_2,gapminder_new$continent), margin = 2)
```

- ! To obtain `tables` or `crosstables` with `NAs`, use the `useNA = "always"` or `useNA = "ifany"`



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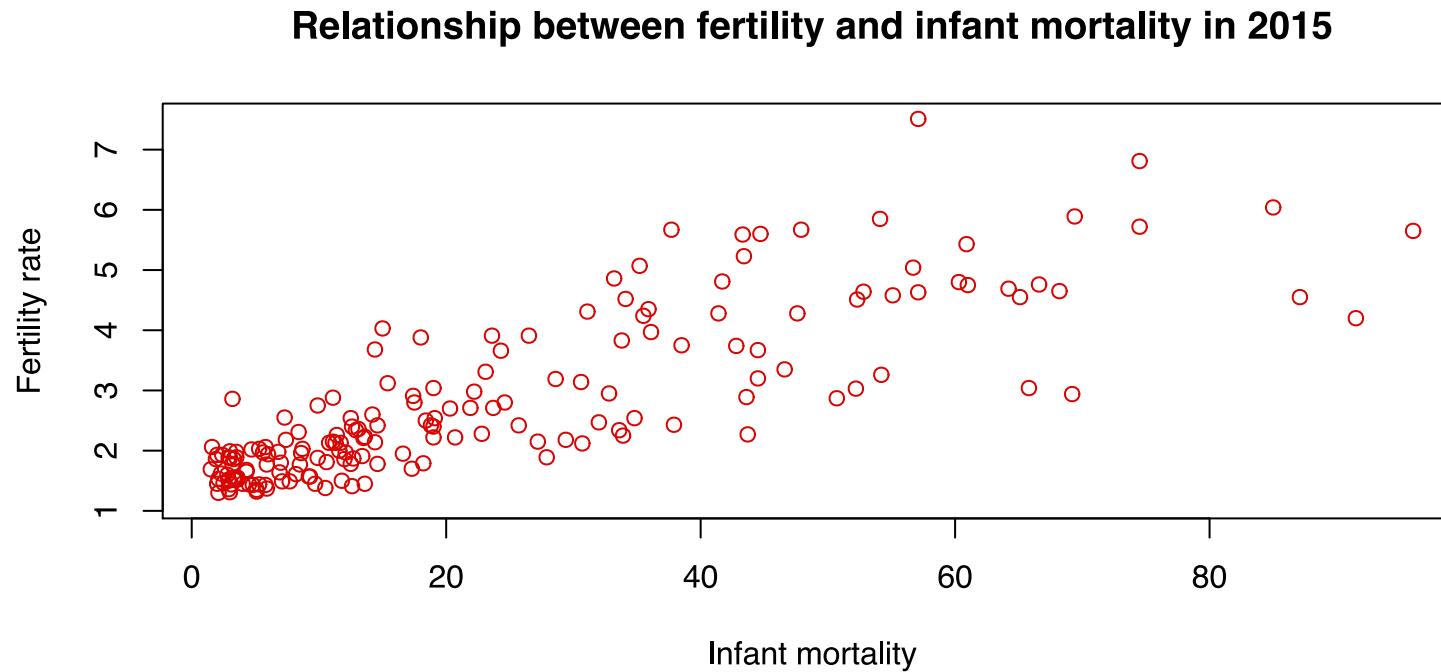
Again the `count` function can get you there as well:

```
gapminder_new %>%  
  count(continent, fertility_above_2)  
  
## #   continent fertility_above_2  n  
## 1    Africa          FALSE  2  
## 2    Africa          TRUE  49  
## 3  Americas          FALSE 15  
## 4  Americas          TRUE  20  
## 5  Americas           NA  1  
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Note that `count` will display `NAs` only if there are some.



How are x and y related? Covariance and Correlation



Two main statistics to characterise the relationship between x and y :

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```
cor(gapminder_new$fertility,gapminder_new$infant_mortality, use = "complete.obs")  
## [1] 0.8286402
```



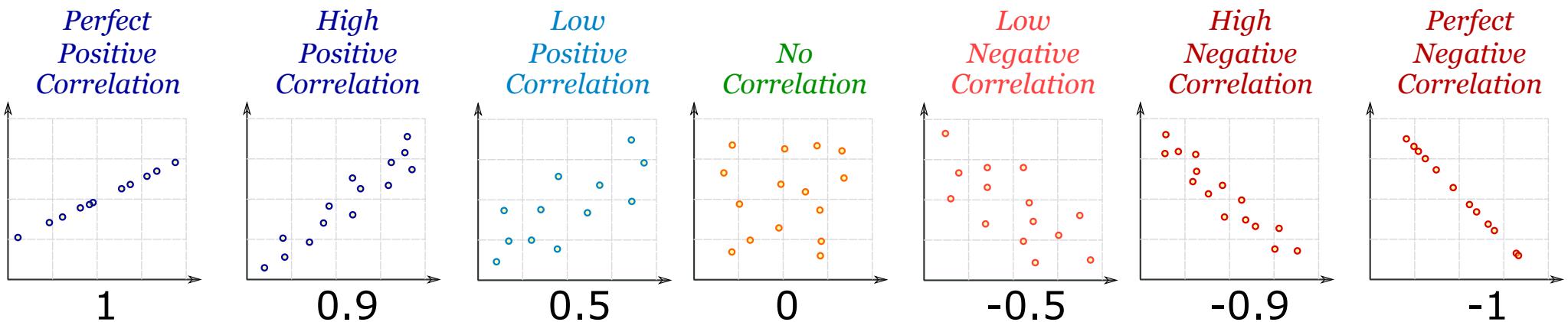
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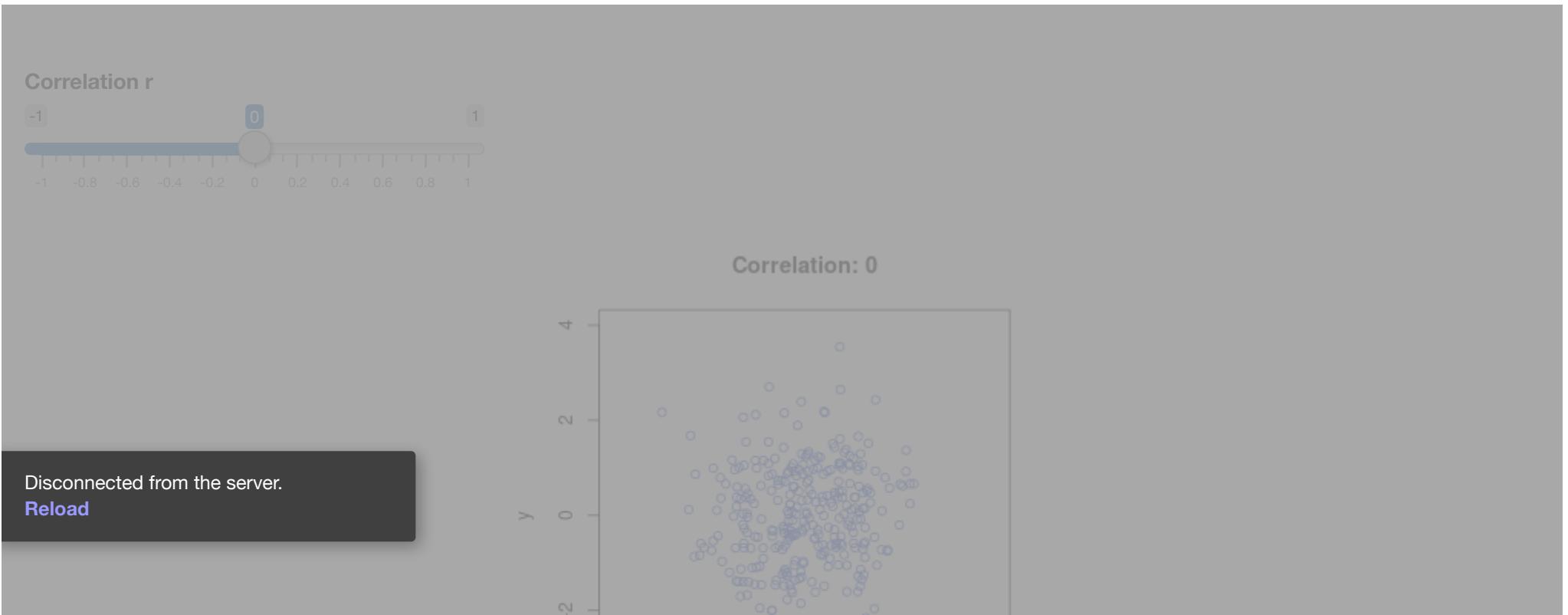
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Correlation



Task 4

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1. Compute the mean of population in 1960 and assign to object `mean`. Read the help for `mean` to remove `NAs`.
2. Compute the median of population in 1960 and assign to object `median`. Is it greater or smaller than the average?
3. Create a density plot using `geom_density` of population in 1960. A density plot is a way of representing the distribution of a numeric variable. Add a vertical line containing the value of `mean` and another one containing the value of `median`. Use `geom_vline` to do so and use `as.numeric` around `mean` and `median`. What do you observe?
4. Compute the correlation between fertility rate and infant mortality in 2015. To drop `NAs` in either variable set the argument `use` to "pairwise.complete.obs" in your `cor()` function. Is this correlation consistent with the graph you produced in Task 3?

In your free time, you can do this tutorial:

```
library(ScPoApps) # this may take a while to install  
runTutorial('chapter2')
```



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