

Exploring the tidyverse

H2 Data Science

Introduction to the *tidyverse*

Throughout much of your coursework, you will receive clean, compact datasets that contain all of the data and only the data that you need. This, of course, does not reflect the experience of research. In reality, a typical data scientist spends the majority of their time wrangling data. Inevitably, your data will come from several sources, be collected by different people, entered into a spreadsheet by even different people, and arrive on your computer in multiple arrangements. There may be missing or incorrect values, or multiple labels for the same treatment.

Even with perfectly cleaned datasets, you should spend a good amount of time *looking* at your data in different ways. This is known as Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA). These quick, messy plots and summaries are a great way to identify potential errors in your data and will help you develop an intuitive sense of the structure of and patterns within complex datasets.

The *tidyverse* is “an opinionated collection of R packages designed for data science” that is commonly used in the R-based data science world. They share a core design philosophy with a distinct coding grammar and distinct data structures. These packages work collaboratively to make data wrangling, analysis, and visualization easier, cleaner, and more reproducible.

We will just dip our toes into the *tidyverse* – there is much, much more that we will not cover.

What makes a dataset tidy vs. messy?

Hadley Wickham (R legend and person largely behind the *tidyverse*) has said that “tidy datasets are all alike, but every messy dataset is messy in its own way.” Within the *tidyverse* framework, a tidy dataset will have the following characteristics:

1. Each variable is a single column.
2. Each observation is a single row.
3. Each type of observational unit is a single table.

If you have multiple spreadsheets, each should have a column with the same name that allows them to be joined or merged appropriately.

Guidelines for data entry

When entering your data, try to keep to the following guidelines:

1. Be consistent

Stick with a single way of entering variables (e.g., use ‘M’/‘F’ or ‘male’/‘female’, but don’t mix them)

2. Choose good names for things

Avoid spaces where possible (use underscores or somethingLikeCamelCase). Names should be descriptive but not overly long. In R, objects can't start with numbers or special characters, so try to avoid that in your variable levels as well.

3. Write dates as YYYY-MM-DD

This is the global ISO 8601 standard. It sorts well and keeps Excel from seriously mangling your data.

4. No empty cells

Enter NA instead.

5. Put just one thing in a cell

For example, have a column `weight_kg` filled with numbers rather than a column called `weight` filled with values like "5.5 kg".

6. Don't use font color or highlighting as data

Sometimes used to flag values. If needed, create a new column to mark observations needing extra attention.

7. Save the data as plain text files

Proprietary formats like `.xlsx` can be handy, but plain text (`.csv`, `.txt`, `.tsv`, etc) does not require special software and can be read by anyone on any machine.

Key packages in the *tidyverse*

There are many packages associated with the tidyverse. We will cover **aspects** of only these select few:

- `dplyr`: data manipulation
- `tidyr`: tidying data
- `tibble`: a re-imagining of the dataframe
- `stringr`: working with strings
- `lubridate`: working with dates and date-times
- `ggplot2`: visualization

When you install the *tidyverse* package, all of these are installed (and more).

```
install.packages("tidyverse")
```

```
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## -- Attaching core tidyverse packages ----- tidyverse 2.0.0 --
## v dplyr      1.1.2      v readr      2.1.4
## v forcats    1.0.0      v stringr   1.5.0
## v ggplot2    3.4.2      v tibble    3.2.1
## v lubridate  1.9.2      v tidyr     1.3.0
## v purrr      1.0.1
## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()     masks stats::lag()
## i Use the conflicted package (<http://conflicted.r-lib.org/>) to force all conflicts to become errors
```

But first: Piping

Piping is a useful technique to keep your code legible. The ‘pipe operator’ allows you to string together functions by taking the output of one and sending it as input to the next. Many functions in the *tidyverse* are designed to work nicely in pipes.

The native R pipe is `|>` and was introduced in R 4.1.0. Prior to this, piping required the *magrittr* package. You will still see the *magrittr* pipe `%>%`. There are a few differences and the *magrittr* pipe has a few extra capabilities. We will stick with the native `|>` here.

```
summary(iris)
```

```
##   Sepal.Length   Sepal.Width   Petal.Length   Petal.Width
##   Min.    :4.300   Min.    :2.000   Min.    :1.000   Min.    :0.100
##   1st Qu.:5.100   1st Qu.:2.800   1st Qu.:1.600   1st Qu.:0.300
##   Median :5.800   Median :3.000   Median :4.350   Median :1.300
##   Mean    :5.843   Mean    :3.057   Mean    :3.758   Mean    :1.199
##   3rd Qu.:6.400   3rd Qu.:3.300   3rd Qu.:5.100   3rd Qu.:1.800
##   Max.    :7.900   Max.    :4.400   Max.    :6.900   Max.    :2.500
##           Species
##   setosa      :50
##   versicolor:50
##   virginica   :50
##
##
##
```

```
iris |>
  summary()
```

```
##   Sepal.Length   Sepal.Width   Petal.Length   Petal.Width
##   Min.    :4.300   Min.    :2.000   Min.    :1.000   Min.    :0.100
##   1st Qu.:5.100   1st Qu.:2.800   1st Qu.:1.600   1st Qu.:0.300
##   Median :5.800   Median :3.000   Median :4.350   Median :1.300
##   Mean    :5.843   Mean    :3.057   Mean    :3.758   Mean    :1.199
##   3rd Qu.:6.400   3rd Qu.:3.300   3rd Qu.:5.100   3rd Qu.:1.800
##   Max.    :7.900   Max.    :4.400   Max.    :6.900   Max.    :2.500
##           Species
##   setosa      :50
##   versicolor:50
##   virginica   :50
##
##
##
```

Tibbles

Tibbles are dataframes, but with a few extra tweaks. See the Tibbles chapter in R for Data Science for a more comprehensive overview.

```
data("msleep")
?msleep
```

```
## starting httpd help server ... done
```

```
class(msleep)
```

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

```
msleep
```

```
## # A tibble: 83 x 11
##   name   genus vore  order conservation sleep_total sleep_rem sleep_cycle awake
##   <chr>  <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr>          <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Cheet~ Acin~ carni Carn~ lc          12.1      NA      NA      11.9
## 2 Owl m~ Aotus omni Prim~ <NA>       17        1.8    NA       7
## 3 Mount~ Aplo~ herbi Rode~ nt       14.4      2.4    NA      9.6
## 4 Great~ Blar~ omni Sori~ lc       14.9      2.3    0.133   9.1
## 5 Cow    Bos   herbi Arti~ domesticated  4        0.7    0.667   20
## 6 Three~ Brad~ herbi Pilo~ <NA>      14.4      2.2    0.767   9.6
## 7 North~ Call~ carni Carn~ vu        8.7      1.4    0.383  15.3
## 8 Vespe~ Calo~ <NA>  Rode~ <NA>      7        NA     NA      17
## 9 Dog    Canis carni Carn~ domesticated 10.1      2.9    0.333  13.9
## 10 Roe d~ Capr~ herbi Arti~ lc        3        NA     NA      21
## # i 73 more rows
## # i 2 more variables: brainwt <dbl>, bodywt <dbl>
```

The *tidyverse* alternative to `read.csv()` is `read_csv()`. It is basically the same, but with a few different defaults and switches, and it outputs a tibble.

```
fieldData.df <- read_csv("fieldData.csv")
```

```
class(fieldData.df)
```

```
fieldData.df
```

```
str(fieldData.df)
```

```
glimpse(fieldData.df)
```

Munging data

It is best to keep your data file as it is, and do all of your cleaning, filtering, transforming, etc. in R for full transparency and reproducibility. Editing by hand (e.g., in Excel) leaves no clear trail of what you did and also makes mistakes easy to make but difficult to find.

The `dplyr` package provides a set of functions that make munging your data simple and easy. See the Data Transformation chapter in R for Data Science for a more comprehensive overview.

Key functions:

- `filter()` filters **rows** based on a TRUE/FALSE logical statement
- `select()` selects **columns** by name, number, or a *tidyselect* helper function
- `arrange()` reorders the tibble according to the column(s) provided
- `mutate()` creates new columns
- `group_by()` groups the tibble by the column(s) provided
- `summarise()` creates summaries, either for the whole tibble or by group

```
# filter()
msleep |>
  filter(vore=="herbi")
```

```
## # A tibble: 32 x 11
##   name      genus vore order conservation sleep_total sleep_rem sleep_cycle awake
##   <chr>   <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr>          <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Mount~ Aplo~ herbi Rode~ nt              14.4      2.4      NA      9.6
## 2 Cow     Bos   herbi Arti~ domesticated      4        0.7      0.667    20
## 3 Three~ Brad~ herbi Pilo~ <NA>             14.4      2.2      0.767    9.6
## 4 Roe d~ Capr~ herbi Arti~ lc              3        NA      NA      21
## 5 Goat    Capri herbi Arti~ lc              5.3      0.6      NA     18.7
## 6 Guine~ Cavis herbi Rode~ domesticated      9.4      0.8      0.217   14.6
## 7 Chinc~ Chin~ herbi Rode~ domesticated     12.5      1.5      0.117   11.5
## 8 Tree ~ Dend~ herbi Hyra~ lc              5.3      0.5      NA     18.7
## 9 Asian~ Elep~ herbi Prob~ en              3.9      NA      NA     20.1
## 10 Horse  Equus herbi Peri~ domesticated      2.9      0.6      1     21.1
## # i 22 more rows
## # i 2 more variables: brainwt <dbl>, bodywt <dbl>
```

```
# select()
msleep |>
  select(-conservation)
```

```
## # A tibble: 83 x 10
##   name      genus vore order sleep_total sleep_rem sleep_cycle awake brainwt
##   <chr>   <chr> <chr> <chr>          <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Cheetah  Acin~ carni Carn~      12.1      NA      NA     11.9 NA
## 2 Owl monkey Aotus omni Prim~      17        1.8      NA      7  0.0155
## 3 Mountain ~ Aplo~ herbi Rode~      14.4      2.4      NA      9.6 NA
## 4 Greater s~ Blar~ omni Sori~      14.9      2.3      0.133    9.1 0.00029
## 5 Cow      Bos   herbi Arti~      4        0.7      0.667    20  0.423
## 6 Three-toe~ Brad~ herbi Pilo~      14.4      2.2      0.767    9.6 NA
## 7 Northern ~ Call~ carni Carn~      8.7      1.4      0.383   15.3 NA
## 8 Vesper mo~ Calo~ <NA> Rode~      7        NA      NA     17  NA
## 9 Dog      Canis carni Carn~     10.1      2.9      0.333   13.9 0.07
## 10 Roe deer  Capr~ herbi Arti~      3        NA      NA     21  0.0982
## # i 73 more rows
## # i 1 more variable: bodywt <dbl>
```

```
msleep |>
  select(1, 9:11)
```

```
## # A tibble: 83 x 4
##   name      awake brainwt bodywt
```

```
##      <chr>                <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
## 1 Cheetah                11.9 NA        50
## 2 Owl monkey              7      0.0155   0.48
## 3 Mountain beaver        9.6 NA        1.35
## 4 Greater short-tailed shrew 9.1 0.00029 0.019
## 5 Cow                    20      0.423   600
## 6 Three-toed sloth        9.6 NA        3.85
## 7 Northern fur seal       15.3 NA        20.5
## 8 Vesper mouse            17      NA        0.045
## 9 Dog                    13.9 0.07     14
## 10 Roe deer              21      0.0982  14.8
## # i 73 more rows
```

```
msleep |>
  select(name, order, starts_with("sleep"))
```

```
## # A tibble: 83 x 5
##   name                order      sleep_total sleep_rem sleep_cycle
##   <chr>              <chr>        <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>
## 1 Cheetah           Carnivora        12.1        NA        NA
## 2 Owl monkey        Primates         17         1.8        NA
## 3 Mountain beaver   Rodentia         14.4         2.4        NA
## 4 Greater short-tailed shrew Soricomorpha    14.9         2.3      0.133
## 5 Cow               Artiodactyla      4          0.7      0.667
## 6 Three-toed sloth   Pilosa         14.4         2.2      0.767
## 7 Northern fur seal   Carnivora         8.7         1.4      0.383
## 8 Vesper mouse       Rodentia          7          NA        NA
## 9 Dog               Carnivora        10.1         2.9      0.333
## 10 Roe deer          Artiodactyla      3          NA        NA
## # i 73 more rows
```

```
# arrange()
msleep |>
  filter(vore=="herbi") |>
  arrange(bodywt)
```

```
## # A tibble: 32 x 11
##   name  genus vore order conservation sleep_total sleep_rem sleep_cycle awake
##   <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr>        <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 "Hous~ Mus   herbi Rode~ nt          12.5        1.4        0.183  11.5
## 2 "Vole~ Micr~ herbi Rode~ <NA>         12.8        NA         NA     11.2
## 3 "Mong~ Meri~ herbi Rode~ lc          14.2        1.9        NA      9.8
## 4 "West~ Euta~ herbi Rode~ <NA>         14.9        NA         NA      9.1
## 5 "Thir~ Sper~ herbi Rode~ lc          13.8        3.4        0.217  10.2
## 6 "East~ Tami~ herbi Rode~ <NA>         15.8        NA         NA      8.2
## 7 "Gold~ Meso~ herbi Rode~ en          14.3        3.1        0.2     9.7
## 8 "Cott~ Sigm~ herbi Rode~ <NA>         11.3        1.1        0.15   12.7
## 9 "Gold~ Sper~ herbi Rode~ lc          15.9        3          NA      8.1
## 10 "Degu" Octo~ herbi Rode~ lc           7.7        0.9        NA     16.3
## # i 22 more rows
## # i 2 more variables: brainwt <dbl>, bodywt <dbl>
```

```
# mutate()
msleep |>
  filter(!is.na(brainwt) & !is.na(bodywt)) |>
  mutate(brain_pct=brainwt/bodywt*100) |>
  arrange(desc(brain_pct))

## # A tibble: 56 x 12
##   name      genus vore  order conservation sleep_total sleep_rem sleep_cycle awake
##   <chr>    <chr> <chr> <chr>    <chr>          <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Thirt~ Sper~ herbi Rode~ lc          13.8       3.4       0.217 10.2
## 2 Owl m~ Aotus omni Prim~ <NA>        17        1.8       NA      7
## 3 Lesse~ Cryp~ omni Sori~ lc          9.1       1.4       0.15 14.9
## 4 Squir~ Saim~ omni Prim~ <NA>        9.6       1.4       NA     14.4
## 5 Macaq~ Maca~ omni Prim~ <NA>       10.1       1.2       0.75 13.9
## 6 Galago Gala~ omni Prim~ <NA>        9.8       1.1       0.55 14.2
## 7 Littl~ Myot~ inse~ Chir~ <NA>       19.9       2        0.2   4.1
## 8 Mole ~ Spal~ <NA> Rode~ <NA>       10.6       2.4       NA    13.4
## 9 Tree ~ Tupa~ omni Scan~ <NA>        8.9       2.6       0.233 15.1
## 10 Human Homo omni Prim~ <NA>        8        1.9       1.5   16
## # i 46 more rows
## # i 3 more variables: brainwt <dbl>, bodywt <dbl>, brain_pct <dbl>
```

```
# summarise()
msleep |>
  filter(!is.na(awake)) |>
  summarise(nSpp=n_distinct(name),
            nGenera=n_distinct(genus),
            awake_mean=mean(awake),
            awake_sd=sd(awake))
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 4
##   nSpp nGenera awake_mean awake_sd
##   <int> <int>     <dbl>     <dbl>
## 1    83    77      13.6      4.45
```

```
msleep |>
  filter(!is.na(awake)) |>
  group_by(vore) |>
  summarise(nSpp=n_distinct(name),
            nGenera=n_distinct(genus),
            awake_mean=mean(awake),
            awake_sd=sd(awake))
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 5
##   vore      nSpp nGenera awake_mean awake_sd
##   <chr>    <int>    <int>     <dbl>     <dbl>
## 1 carni      19     16      13.6      4.68
## 2 herbi      32     29      14.5      4.88
## 3 insecti     5      5       9.06     5.92
## 4 omni      20     20      13.1      2.95
## 5 <NA>       7      7      13.8      3.00
```

Reshaping data

The tidyr package has many functions for tidying your datasets. We will cover just two that tend to be particularly useful.

Key functions:

- `pivot_longer()` takes a series of columns and stacks them into one
- `pivot_wider()` takes a single column and spreads them into several

```
# pivot_longer
msleep |>
  select(name, genus, order, brainwt, bodywt) |>
  pivot_longer(cols=contains("wt"), names_to="structure", values_to="weight")
```

```
## # A tibble: 166 x 5
##   name                genus    order    structure    weight
##   <chr>              <chr>    <chr>    <chr>      <dbl>
## 1 Cheetah            Acinonyx Carnivora brainwt     NA
## 2 Cheetah            Acinonyx Carnivora bodywt     50
## 3 Owl monkey         Aotus     Primates brainwt    0.0155
## 4 Owl monkey         Aotus     Primates bodywt    0.48
## 5 Mountain beaver    Aplodontia Rodentia brainwt     NA
## 6 Mountain beaver    Aplodontia Rodentia bodywt    1.35
## 7 Greater short-tailed shrew Blarina  Soricomorpha brainwt 0.00029
## 8 Greater short-tailed shrew Blarina  Soricomorpha bodywt 0.019
## 9 Cow                Bos       Artiodactyla brainwt 0.423
## 10 Cow                Bos       Artiodactyla bodywt 600
## # i 156 more rows
```

```
# pivot_wider
iris |>
  group_by(Species) |>
  mutate(Plant_id=row_number()) |>
  ungroup() |>
  select(Plant_id, Species, Petal.Width) |>
  pivot_wider(names_from="Species", values_from="Petal.Width")
```

```
## # A tibble: 50 x 4
##   Plant_id setosa versicolor virginica
##   <int>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
## 1     1      1    0.2      1.4      2.5
## 2     2      2    0.2      1.5      1.9
## 3     3      3    0.2      1.5      2.1
## 4     4      4    0.2      1.3      1.8
## 5     5      5    0.2      1.5      2.2
## 6     6      6    0.4      1.3      2.1
## 7     7      7    0.3      1.6      1.7
## 8     8      8    0.2      1      1.8
## 9     9      9    0.2      1.3      1.8
## 10    10     10    0.1      1.4      2.5
## # i 40 more rows
```


Working with strings

The `stringr` package has many convenient functions for working with strings (text). They generally follow the naming form of `str_verb()`. See the Strings chapter in R for Data Science for a more comprehensive overview.

Key functions:

- `str_remove()` removes a *pattern* from each element in the vector
- `str_replace()` replaces a *pattern* from each element in the vector
- `str_sub()` extracts a subset of characters from each element in the vector
- `str_split()` splits each element in the vector based on a *pattern*

```
# str_remove / str_remove_all
msleep |>
  select(name, genus, order) |>
  mutate(nameNoSpace=str_remove(name, " "))
```

```
## # A tibble: 83 x 4
##   name                genus      order      nameNoSpace
##   <chr>              <chr>    <chr>    <chr>
## 1 Cheetah           Acinonyx  Carnivora  Cheetah
## 2 Owl monkey        Aotus     Primates  Owlmonkey
## 3 Mountain beaver   Aplodontia Rodentia  Mountainbeaver
## 4 Greater short-tailed shrew Blarina   Soricomorpha Greatershort-tailed shrew
## 5 Cow               Bos       Artiodactyla Cow
## 6 Three-toed sloth  Bradypus  Pilosa    Three-toedsloth
## 7 Northern fur seal Callorhinus Carnivora  Northernfur seal
## 8 Vesper mouse      Calomys   Rodentia  Vespermouse
## 9 Dog               Canis     Carnivora  Dog
## 10 Roe deer         Capreolus Artiodactyla Roedeer
## # i 73 more rows
```

```
msleep |>
  select(name, genus, order) |>
  mutate(nameNoSpace=str_remove_all(name, " "))
```

```
## # A tibble: 83 x 4
##   name                genus      order      nameNoSpace
##   <chr>              <chr>    <chr>    <chr>
## 1 Cheetah           Acinonyx  Carnivora  Cheetah
## 2 Owl monkey        Aotus     Primates  Owlmonkey
## 3 Mountain beaver   Aplodontia Rodentia  Mountainbeaver
## 4 Greater short-tailed shrew Blarina   Soricomorpha Greatershort-tailedshrew
## 5 Cow               Bos       Artiodactyla Cow
## 6 Three-toed sloth  Bradypus  Pilosa    Three-toedsloth
## 7 Northern fur seal Callorhinus Carnivora  Northernfur seal
## 8 Vesper mouse      Calomys   Rodentia  Vespermouse
## 9 Dog               Canis     Carnivora  Dog
## 10 Roe deer         Capreolus Artiodactyla Roedeer
## # i 73 more rows
```

```
# str_replace / str_replace_all
```

```
msleep |>
  select(name, genus, order) |>
  mutate(nameNoSpace=str_replace(name, " ", "_"))
```

```
## # A tibble: 83 x 4
##   name                genus      order      nameNoSpace
##   <chr>              <chr>    <chr>    <chr>
## 1 Cheetah            Acinonyx  Carnivora  Cheetah
## 2 Owl monkey          Aotus     Primates  Owl_monkey
## 3 Mountain beaver     Aplodontia Rodentia  Mountain_beaver
## 4 Greater short-tailed shrew Blarina   Soricomorpha Greater_short-tailed shr~
## 5 Cow                 Bos       Artiodactyla Cow
## 6 Three-toed sloth     Bradypus  Pilosa    Three-toed_sloth
## 7 Northern fur seal    Callorhinus Carnivora  Northern_fur seal
## 8 Vesper mouse         Calomys   Rodentia  Vesper_mouse
## 9 Dog                 Canis     Carnivora  Dog
## 10 Roe deer           Capreolus Artiodactyla Roe_deer
## # i 73 more rows
```

```
msleep |>
  select(name, genus, order) |>
  mutate(nameNoSpace=str_replace_all(name, " ", "_"))
```

```
## # A tibble: 83 x 4
##   name                genus      order      nameNoSpace
##   <chr>              <chr>    <chr>    <chr>
## 1 Cheetah            Acinonyx  Carnivora  Cheetah
## 2 Owl monkey          Aotus     Primates  Owl_monkey
## 3 Mountain beaver     Aplodontia Rodentia  Mountain_beaver
## 4 Greater short-tailed shrew Blarina   Soricomorpha Greater_short-tailed_shr~
## 5 Cow                 Bos       Artiodactyla Cow
## 6 Three-toed sloth     Bradypus  Pilosa    Three-toed_sloth
## 7 Northern fur seal    Callorhinus Carnivora  Northern_fur_seal
## 8 Vesper mouse         Calomys   Rodentia  Vesper_mouse
## 9 Dog                 Canis     Carnivora  Dog
## 10 Roe deer           Capreolus Artiodactyla Roe_deer
## # i 73 more rows
```

```
# str_sub()
```

```
msleep |>
  select(name, genus, order) |>
  mutate(order_abbr=str_sub(order, 1, 4))
```

```
## # A tibble: 83 x 4
##   name                genus      order      order_abbr
##   <chr>              <chr>    <chr>    <chr>
## 1 Cheetah            Acinonyx  Carnivora  Carn
## 2 Owl monkey          Aotus     Primates  Prim
## 3 Mountain beaver     Aplodontia Rodentia  Rode
## 4 Greater short-tailed shrew Blarina   Soricomorpha Sori
## 5 Cow                 Bos       Artiodactyla Arti
```

```
## 6 Three-toed sloth      Bradypus   Pilosa     Pilo
## 7 Northern fur seal    Callorhinus Carnivora  Carn
## 8 Vesper mouse         Calomys    Rodentia   Rode
## 9 Dog                   Canis      Carnivora  Carn
## 10 Roe deer            Capreolus  Artiodactyla Arti
## # i 73 more rows
```

```
# str_split()
msleep |>
  select(name, genus, order) |>
  mutate(nameSplit=str_split(name, " "))
```

```
## # A tibble: 83 x 4
##   name                genus      order      nameSplit
##   <chr>              <chr>    <chr>    <list>
## 1 Cheetah            Acinonyx  Carnivora <chr [1]>
## 2 Owl monkey         Aotus     Primates  <chr [2]>
## 3 Mountain beaver    Aplodontia Rodentia   <chr [2]>
## 4 Greater short-tailed shrew Blarina   Soricomorpha <chr [3]>
## 5 Cow                Bos        Artiodactyla <chr [1]>
## 6 Three-toed sloth    Bradypus   Pilosa     <chr [2]>
## 7 Northern fur seal    Callorhinus Carnivora   <chr [3]>
## 8 Vesper mouse        Calomys    Rodentia   <chr [2]>
## 9 Dog                 Canis      Carnivora   <chr [1]>
## 10 Roe deer           Capreolus  Artiodactyla <chr [2]>
## # i 73 more rows
```

```
str_split(msleep$name, " ") |> head()
```

```
## [[1]]
## [1] "Cheetah"
##
## [[2]]
## [1] "Owl"      "monkey"
##
## [[3]]
## [1] "Mountain" "beaver"
##
## [[4]]
## [1] "Greater"      "short-tailed" "shrew"
##
## [[5]]
## [1] "Cow"
##
## [[6]]
## [1] "Three-toed" "sloth"
```

```
str_split_fixed(msleep$name, " ", 3) |> head()
```

```
##      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]
## [1,] "Cheetah" ""      ""
## [2,] "Owl"     "monkey" ""
```

```
## [3,] "Mountain"      "beaver"      ""
## [4,] "Greater"       "short-tailed" "shrew"
## [5,] "Cow"           ""             ""
## [6,] "Three-toed"    "sloth"       ""
```

```
str_split_fixed(msleep$name, " ", 3)[,1]
```

```
## [1] "Cheetah"      "Owl"          "Mountain"     "Greater"
## [5] "Cow"          "Three-toed"   "Northern"     "Vesper"
## [9] "Dog"          "Roe"          "Goat"         "Guinea"
## [13] "Grivet"       "Chinchilla"   "Star-nosed"   "African"
## [17] "Lesser"       "Long-nosed"   "Tree"         "North"
## [21] "Asian"        "Big"          "Horse"        "Donkey"
## [25] "European"     "Patas"        "Western"      "Domestic"
## [29] "Galago"       "Giraffe"      "Pilot"        "Gray"
## [33] "Gray"         "Human"        "Mongoose"     "African"
## [37] "Thick-tailed" "Macaque"      "Mongolian"    "Golden"
## [41] "Vole"         "House"        "Little"       "Round-tailed"
## [45] "Slow"         "Degu"         "Northern"     "Rabbit"
## [49] "Sheep"        "Chimpanzee"   "Tiger"        "Jaguar"
## [53] "Lion"         "Baboon"       "Desert"       "Potto"
## [57] "Deer"         "Phalanger"    "Caspian"      "Common"
## [61] "Potoroo"      "Giant"        "Rock"         "Laboratory"
## [65] "African"      "Squirrel"     "Eastern"      "Cotton"
## [69] "Mole"         "Arctic"       "Thirteen-lined" "Golden-mantled"
## [73] "Musk"         "Pig"          "Short-nosed"  "Eastern"
## [77] "Brazilian"    "Tenrec"       "Tree"         "Bottle-nosed"
## [81] "Genet"        "Arctic"       "Red"
```

Working with dates

Date-time data are notoriously prickly, particularly in R. The `lubridate` package makes them much less so. See the Dates and Times chapter in R for Data Science for a more comprehensive overview.

Key functions:

- `ymd()`, `mdy()`, `dmy()` convert a string with **y**ear, **m**onth, and **d**ay into a date
- `ymd_hms()` converts a string to a date-time, including **h**our, **m**inutes, and **s**econds
- `year()`, `month()`, `mday()`, `yday()`, `week()` extract the corresponding component
- adding and subtracting work intuitively
- plotting with *ggplot2* is straightforward

```
data(storms)
glimpse(storms)
```

```
## Rows: 19,066
## Columns: 13
## $ name      <chr> "Amy", "Amy", "Amy", "Amy", "Amy", "Amy", ~
## $ year      <dbl> 1975, 1975, 1975, 1975, 1975, 1975, ~
```

```
## $ month      <dbl> 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, ~
## $ day        <int> 27, 27, 27, 27, 28, 28, 28, 28, 29, 29, 2~
## $ hour       <dbl> 0, 6, 12, 18, 0, 6, 12, 18, 0, 6, 12, 18, ~
## $ lat        <dbl> 27.5, 28.5, 29.5, 30.5, 31.5, 32.4, 33.3, ~
## $ long       <dbl> -79.0, -79.0, -79.0, -79.0, -78.8, -78.7, ~
## $ status     <fct> tropical depression, tropical depression, ~
## $ category   <dbl> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ wind       <int> 25, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25, 30, 35, 40, 4~
## $ pressure   <int> 1013, 1013, 1013, 1013, 1012, 1012, 1011, ~
## $ tropicalstorm_force_diameter <int> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ hurricane_force_diameter    <int> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
```

```
storms_df <- storms |>
  mutate(date_chr=paste(year, month, day, sep="-"),
         date=ymd(date_chr),
         time=ymd_hms(paste0(date_chr, " ", hour, ":00:00"))) |>
  arrange(name, time) |>
  group_by(name) |>
  mutate(elapsedTime=time - first(time),
         elapsedHours=as.numeric(elapsedTime)/60/60,
         elapsedDays=difftime(time, first(time), units="days") |>
           as.numeric(),
         maxWind=max(wind)) |>
  ungroup()

glimpse(storms_df)
```

```
## Rows: 19,066
## Columns: 20
## $ name      <chr> "AL011993", "AL011993", "AL011993", "AL01~
## $ year      <dbl> 1993, 1993, 1993, 1993, 1993, 1993, 1993, ~
## $ month     <dbl> 5, 5, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, ~
## $ day       <int> 31, 31, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 7, 8, ~
## $ hour      <dbl> 12, 18, 0, 6, 12, 18, 0, 6, 12, 18, 0, 18~
## $ lat       <dbl> 21.5, 22.3, 23.2, 24.5, 25.4, 26.1, 26.7, ~
## $ long      <dbl> -84.0, -82.0, -80.3, -79.0, -77.5, -75.8, ~
## $ status    <fct> tropical depression, tropical depression, ~
## $ category  <dbl> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ wind      <int> 25, 25, 25, 25, 30, 30, 30, 30, 35, 35, 3~
## $ pressure  <int> 1003, 1002, 1000, 1000, 999, 999, 999, 99~
## $ tropicalstorm_force_diameter <int> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ hurricane_force_diameter    <int> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ date_chr  <chr> "1993-5-31", "1993-5-31", "1993-6-1", "19~
## $ date      <date> 1993-05-31, 1993-05-31, 1993-06-01, 1993~
## $ time      <dtm> 1993-05-31 12:00:00, 1993-05-31 18:00:00~
## $ elapsedTime <drtn> 0 secs, 21600 secs, 43200 secs, 64800 se~
## $ elapsedHours <dbl> 0, 6, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36, 42, 48, 54, 60, ~
## $ elapsedDays <dbl> 0.0000000, 0.2500000, 0.5000000, 0.750000~
## $ maxWind   <int> 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 3~
```

ggplot2

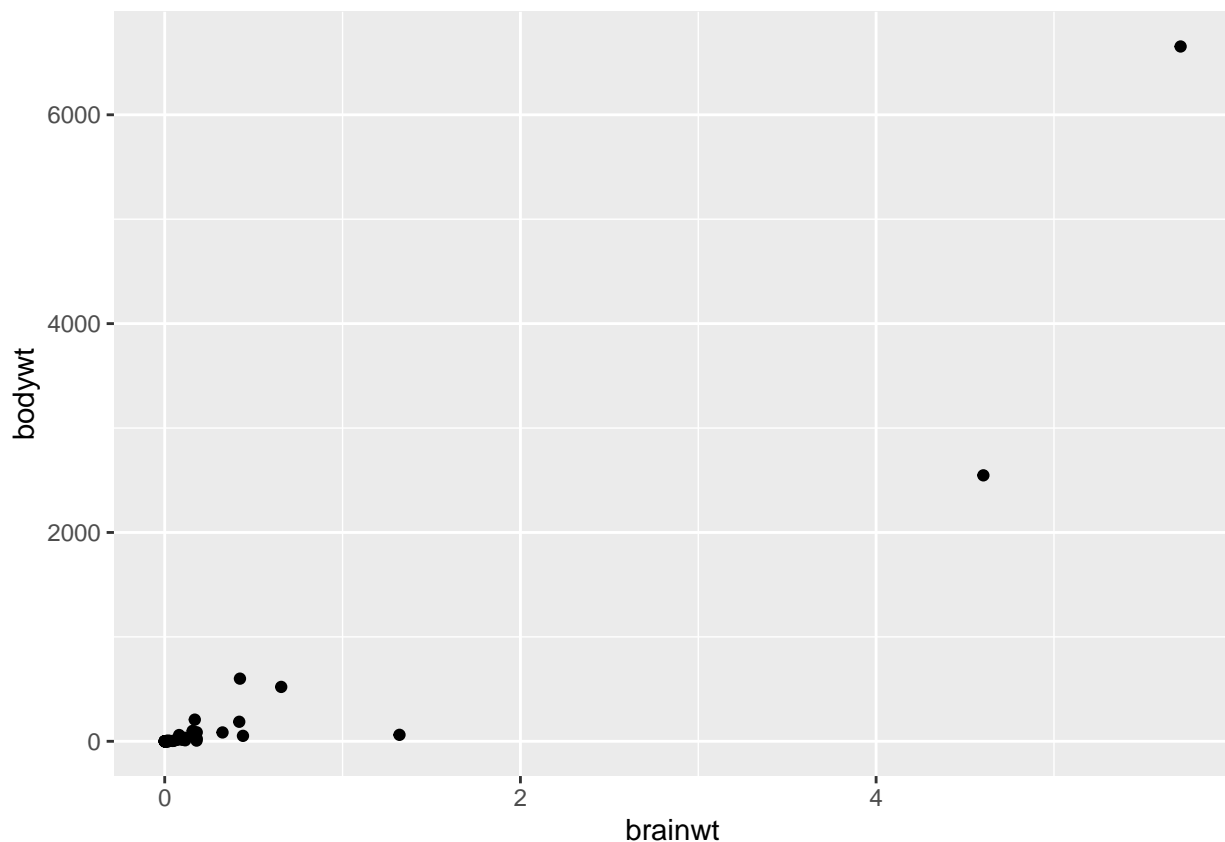
The *ggplot2* package is fantastic for exploratory data analysis.

Key functions:

- `ggplot()` initializes a plot object; always used first, followed by `+`
- `geom_*()` plot elements (e.g., `geom_point()`, `geom_line()`, etc)
- `stat_smooth()` calculates and plots a trend line
- `scale_colour_*()` specifies a custom colour palette
- `scale_fill_*()` specifies a custom fill palette
- `scale_x/y_*()` specifies a custom x or y axis
- `labs()` adds labels (x, y, title, subtitle)
- `facet_wrap()`, `facet_grid()` partition data into panels by the specified variable(s)

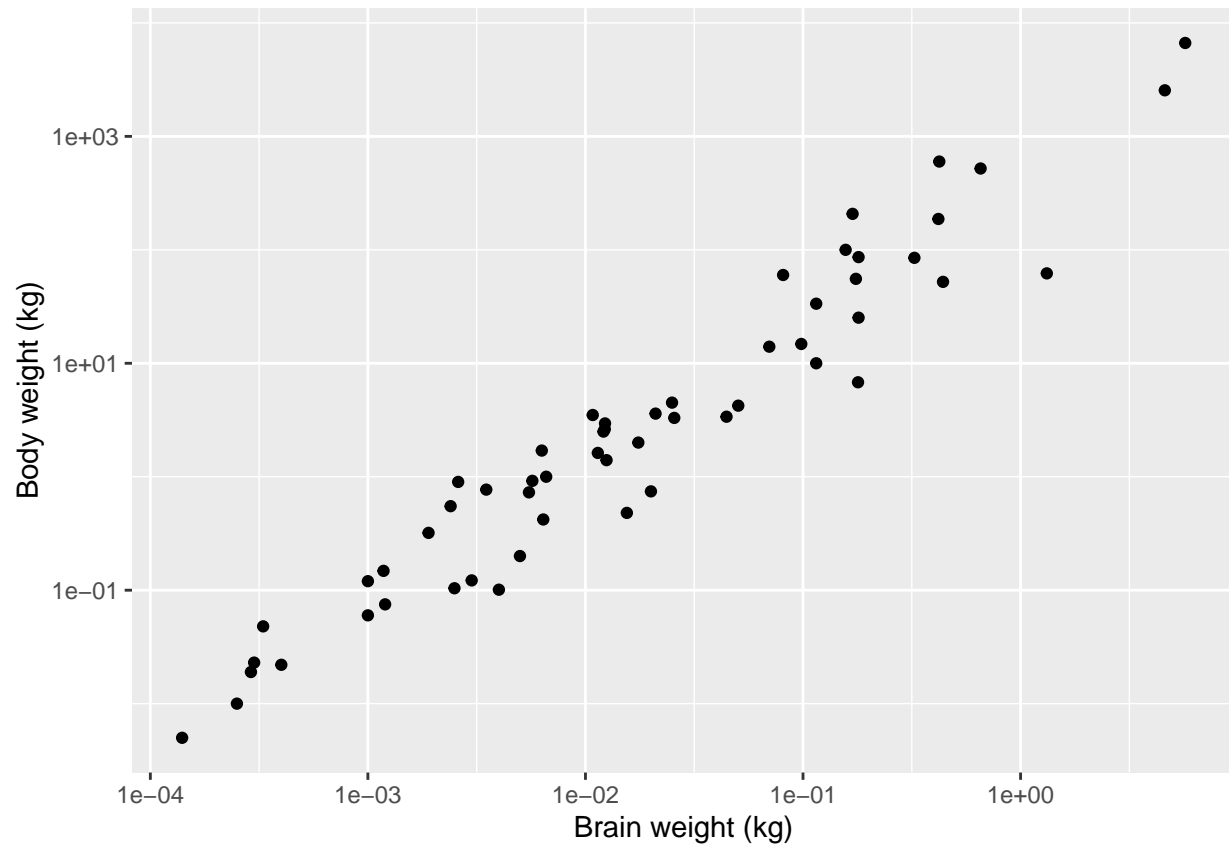
```
msleep |>
  ggplot(aes(brainwt, bodywt)) +
  geom_point()
```

```
## Warning: Removed 27 rows containing missing values ('geom_point()').
```



```
msleep |>
  ggplot(aes(brainwt, bodywt)) +
  geom_point() +
  scale_x_log10("Brain weight (kg)") +
  scale_y_log10("Body weight (kg)")
```

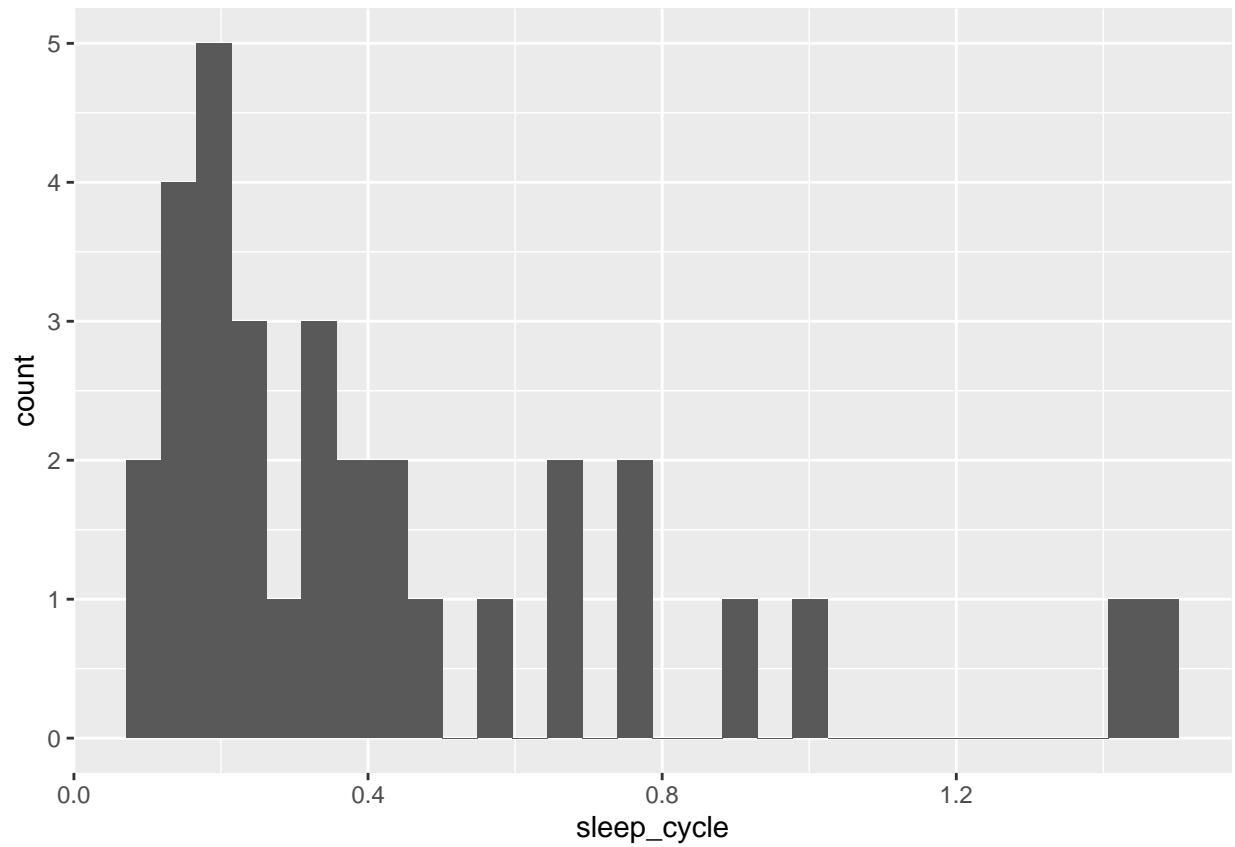
```
## Warning: Removed 27 rows containing missing values ('geom_point()').
```



```
msleep |>  
  ggplot(aes(sleep_cycle)) +  
  geom_histogram()
```

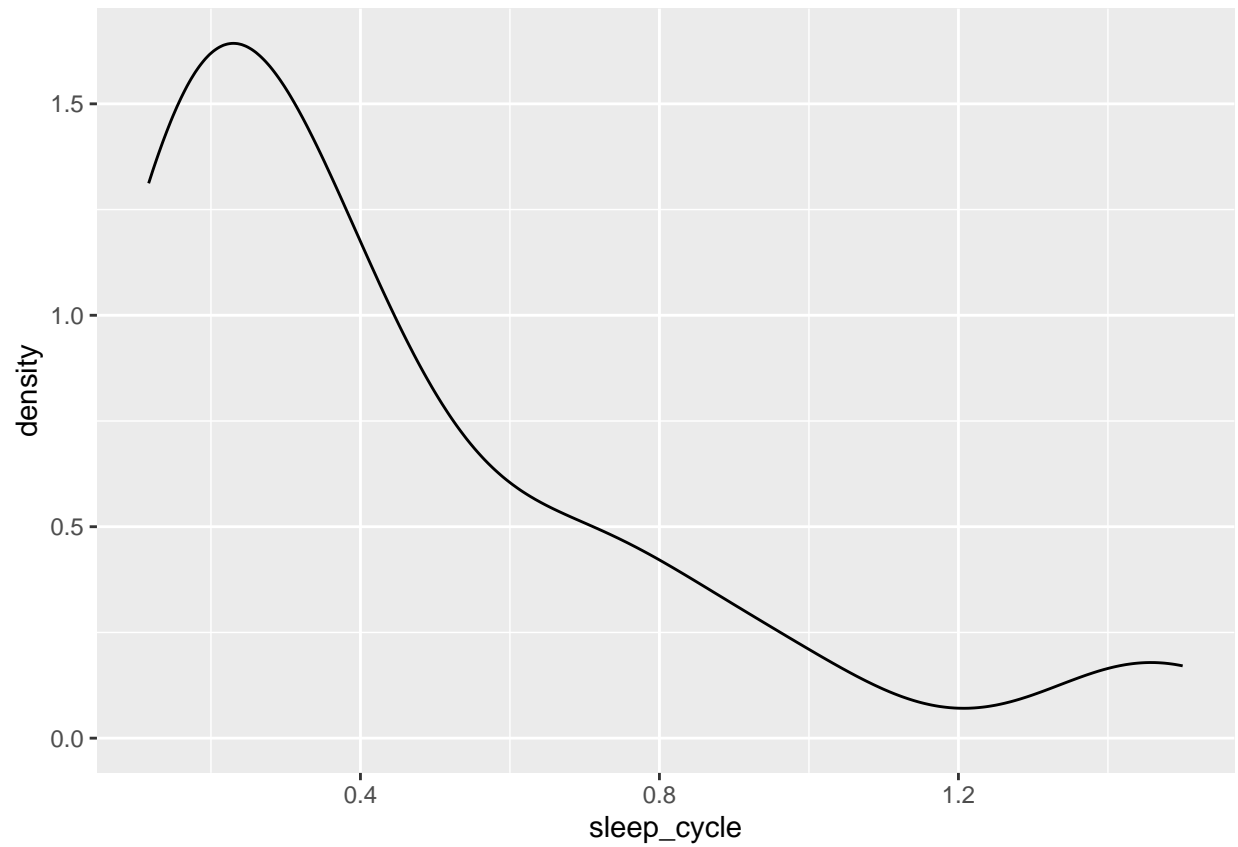
```
## 'stat_bin()' using 'bins = 30'. Pick better value with 'binwidth'.
```

```
## Warning: Removed 51 rows containing non-finite values ('stat_bin()').
```



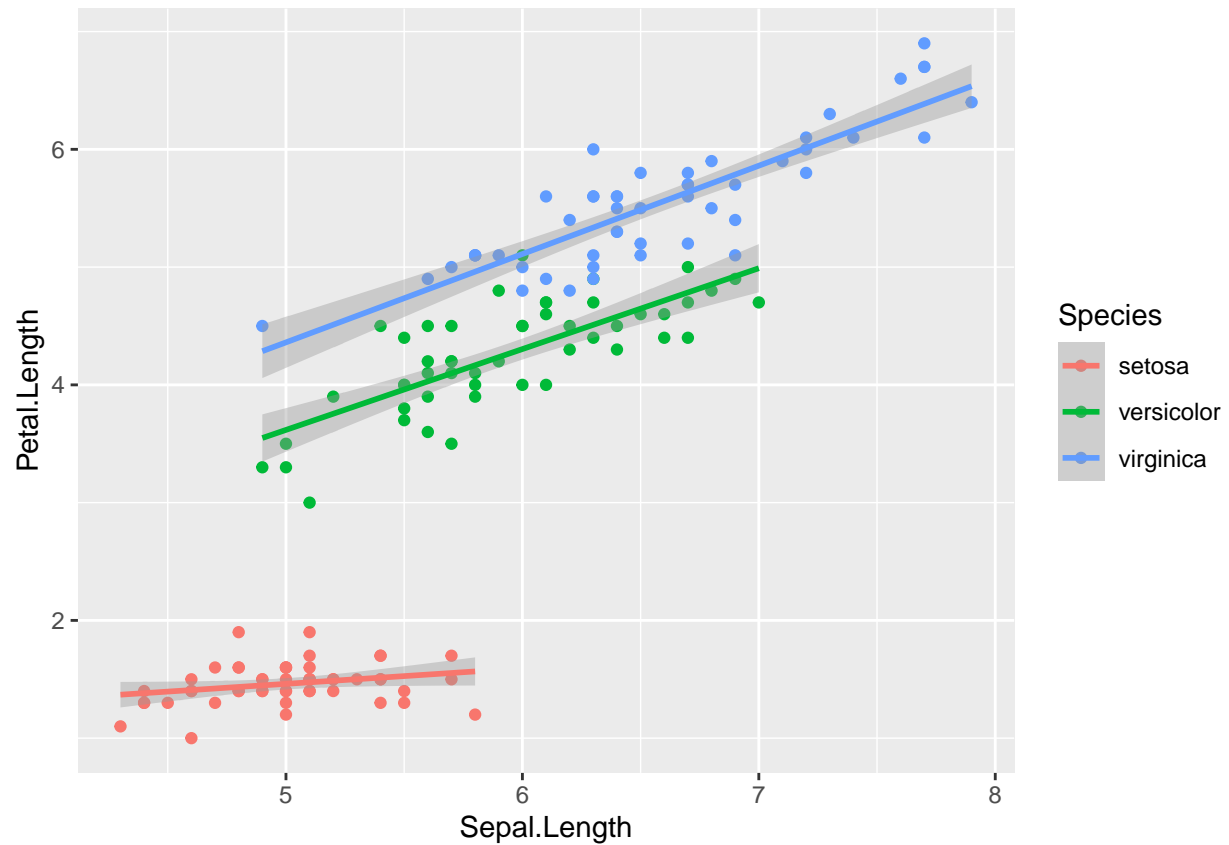
```
msleep |>  
  ggplot(aes(sleep_cycle)) +  
  geom_density()
```

```
## Warning: Removed 51 rows containing non-finite values ('stat_density()').
```

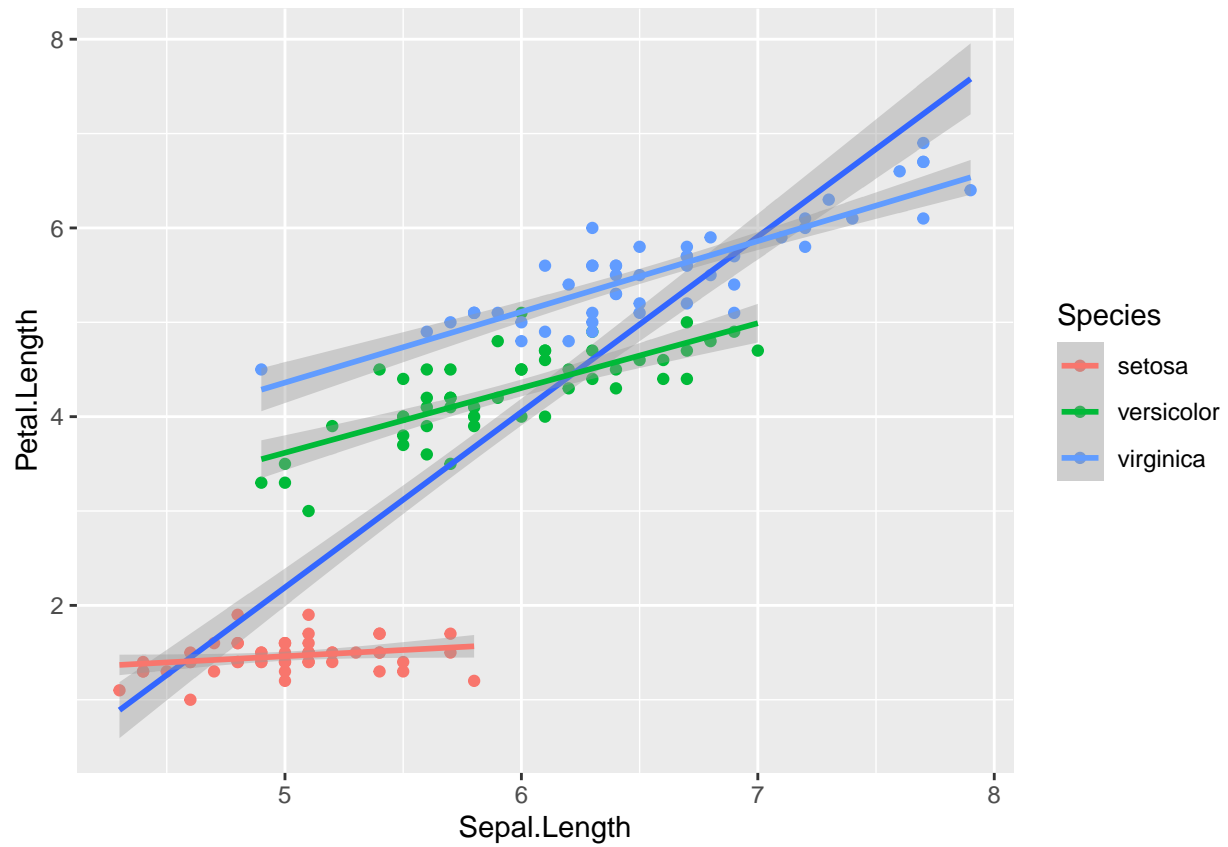
```
iris |>
  ggplot(aes(Sepal.Length, Petal.Length, colour=Species)) +
  geom_point() +
  stat_smooth(method="lm")
```

```
## 'geom_smooth()' using formula = 'y ~ x'
```

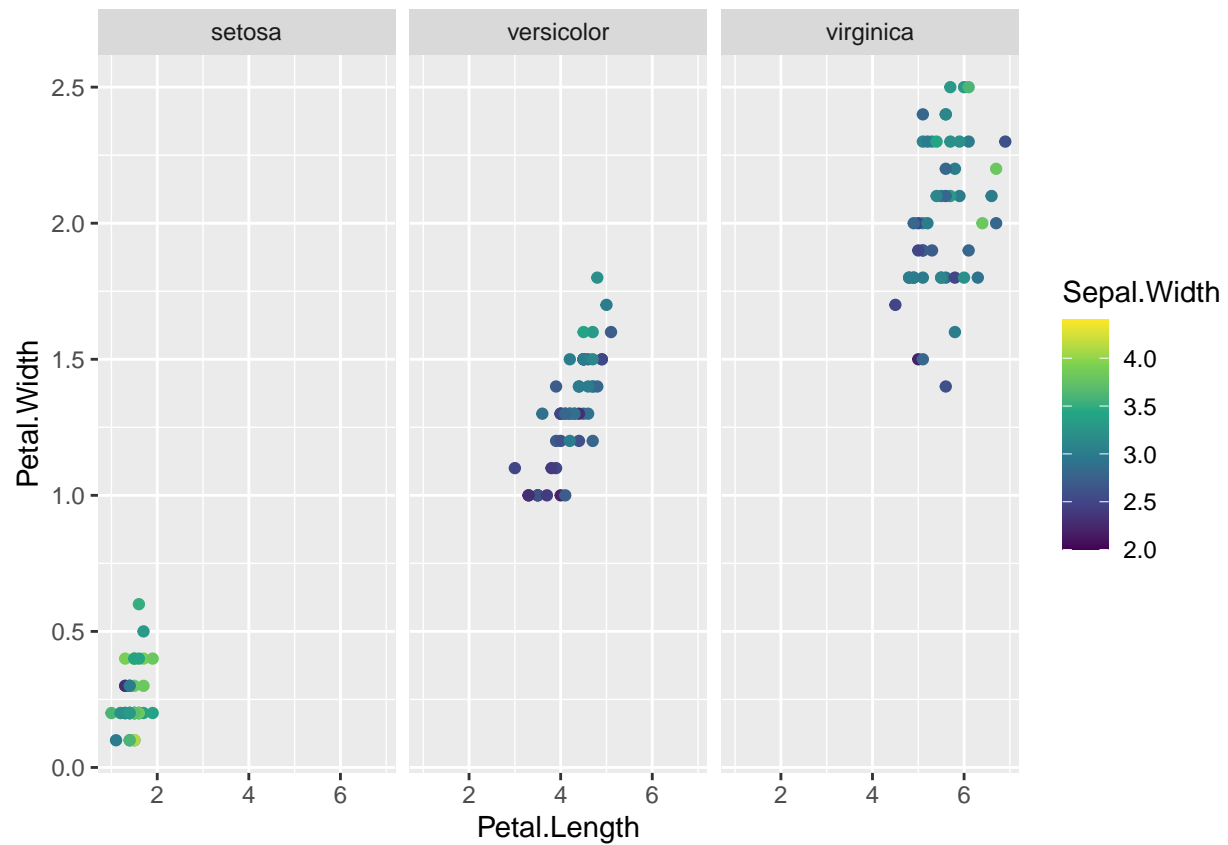


```
iris |>
  ggplot(aes(Sepal.Length, Petal.Length)) +
  geom_point(aes(colour=Species)) +
  stat_smooth(method="lm") +
  stat_smooth(aes(colour=Species), method="lm")
```

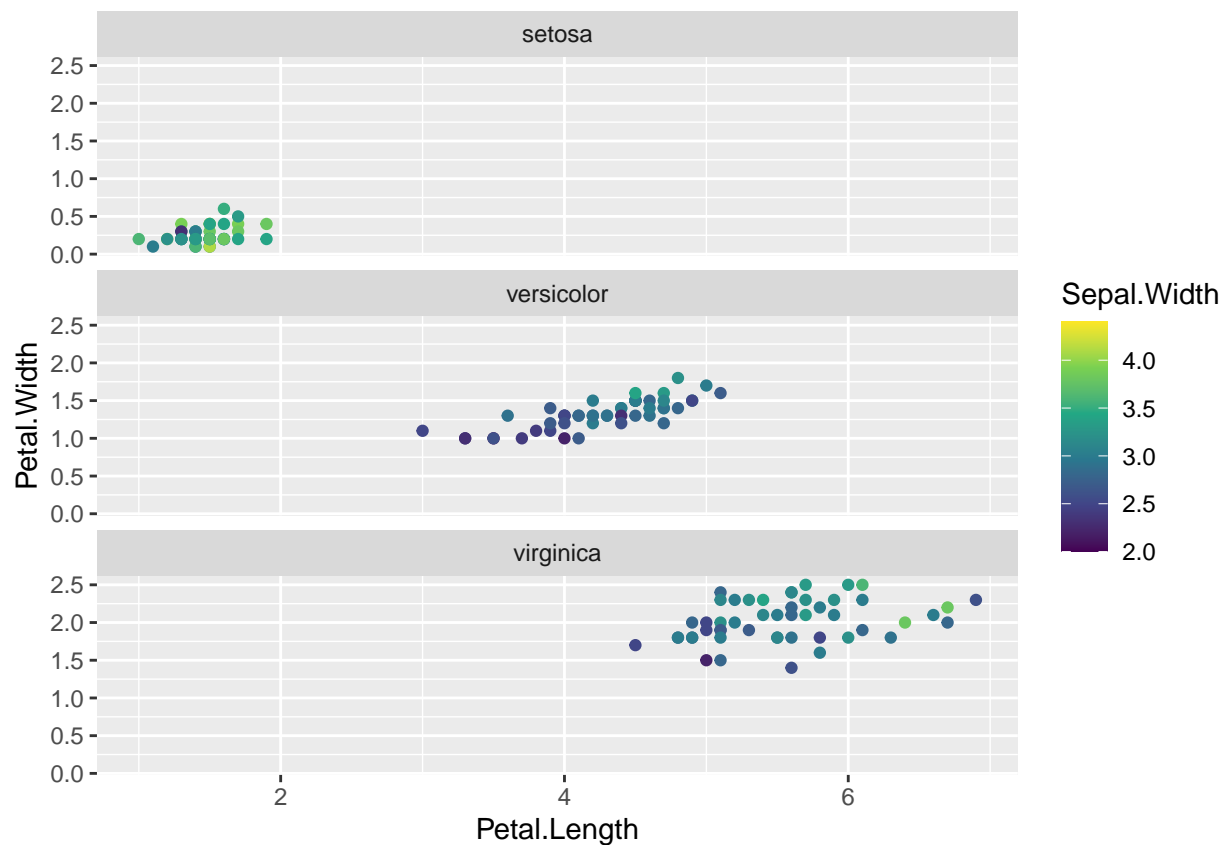
```
## 'geom_smooth()' using formula = 'y ~ x'
## 'geom_smooth()' using formula = 'y ~ x'
```



```
iris |>
  mutate(Sepal.Area=Sepal.Length*Sepal.Width) |>
  ggplot(aes(Petal.Length, Petal.Width, colour=Sepal.Width)) +
  geom_point() +
  scale_colour_viridis_c() +
  facet_wrap(~Species)
```



```
iris |>
  mutate(Sepal.Area=Sepal.Length*Sepal.Width) |>
  ggplot(aes(Petal.Length, Petal.Width, colour=Sepal.Width)) +
  geom_point() +
  scale_colour_viridis_c() +
  facet_wrap(~Species, ncol=1)
```



```
storms_df |>
  filter(name %in% c("Wanda", "Wilma", "Eloise", "Alicia")) |>
  ggplot(aes(long, lat, colour=elapsedDays)) +
  geom_point(aes(size=wind, shape=1)) +
  geom_path() +
  scale_colour_viridis_c("Days since\nfirst observation", option="rocket") +
  scale_size_continuous("Wind speed\n(knots)") +
  labs(x="Longitude", y="Latitude") +
  facet_wrap(~name)
```

