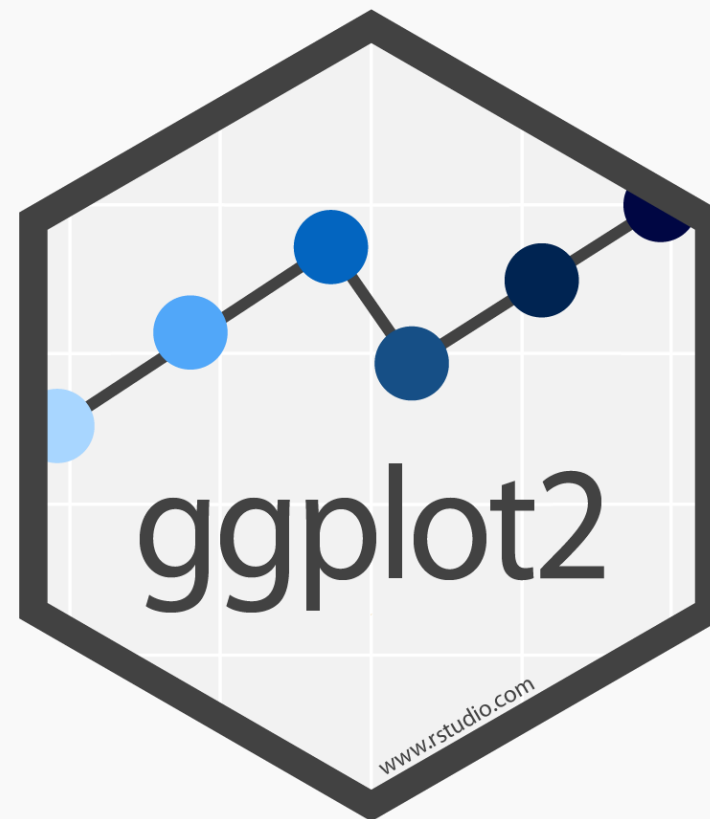


Una introducción “amigable” al uso de **ggplot2**

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Material de:

<https://github.com/gadenbuie/gentle-ggplot2/tree/main>



Why *ggplot2*?

My personal reasons

- **Functional** data visualization
 1. Wrangle data
 2. Map data to visual elements
 3. Tweak scales, guides, axis, labels, theme
- Easy to **reason** about how data drives visualization
- Easy to **iterate**
- Easy to be **consistent**

What are we getting into?

`ggplot2` is a huge package: philosophy + functions
...but it's very well organized

Lots of examples of not-so-great plots in these slides
...but that's okay

Going to throw a lot at you
...but you'll know *where* and *what* to look for

G is for getting started

Easy: install the tidyverse

```
install.packages('tidyverse')
```

Medium: install just `ggplot2`

```
install.packages('ggplot2')
```

Expert: install from GitHub

```
devtools::install_github('tidyverse/ggplot2')
```

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Load the tidyverse

```
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## — Attaching packages —
```

```
## ✓ ggplot2 3.1.0      ✓ purrr 0.2.5  
## ✓ tibble 1.4.2       ✓ dplyr 0.7.7  
## ✓ tidyr 0.8.1        ✓ stringr 1.3.1  
## ✓ readr 1.1.1        ✓ forcats 0.3.0
```

```
## — Conflicts —
```

```
## ✗ dplyr :filter() masks stats :filter()  
## ✗ dplyr :lag()      masks stats :lag()
```

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Other packages you'll need for this adventure

We'll use an excerpt of the gapminder dataset provided by the gapminder package by Jenny Bryan.

<https://github.com/jennybc/gapminder>

```
# install.packages("gapminder")  
library(gapminder)
```

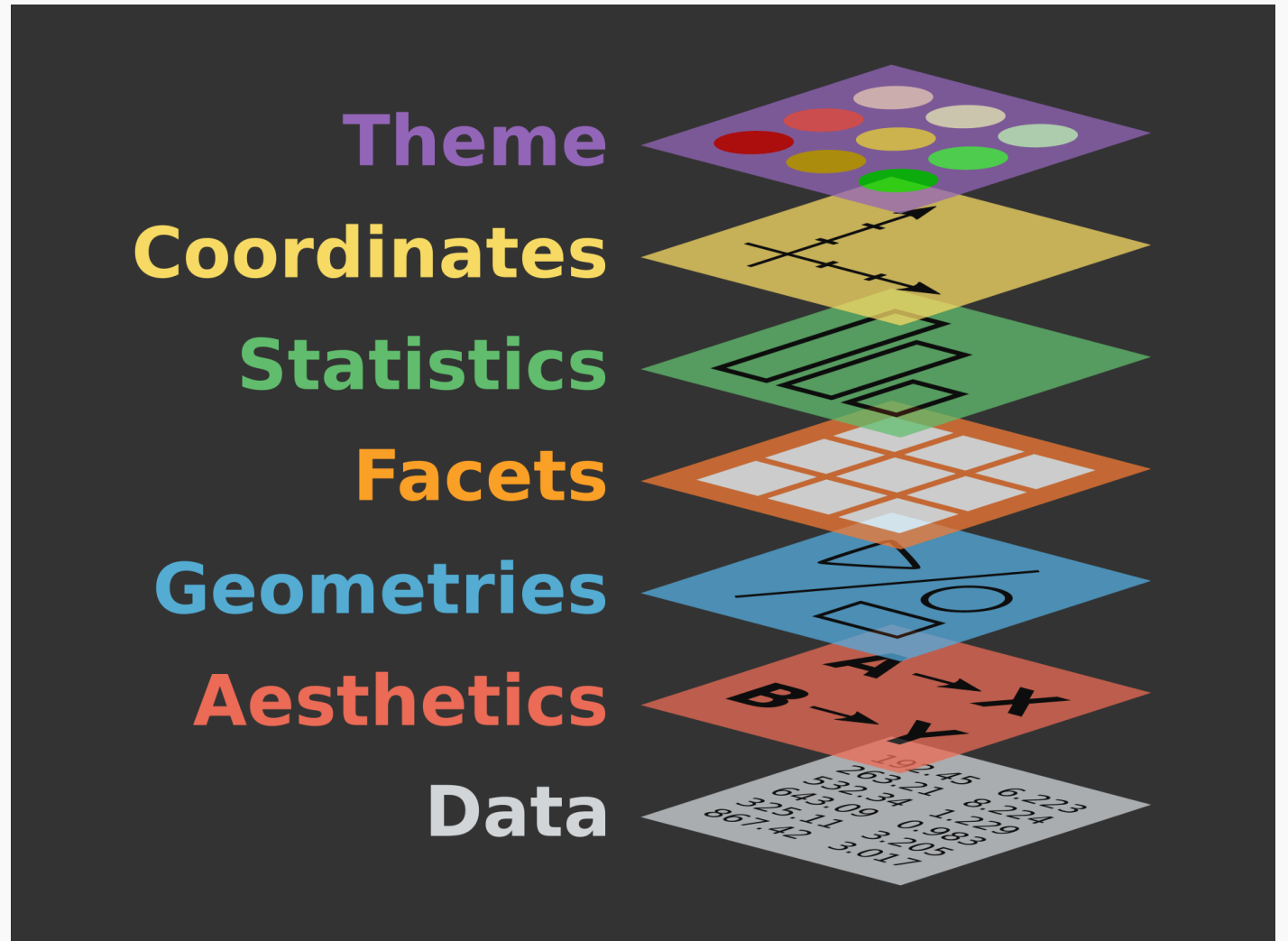
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- **Facets** group into subplots

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Data

```
ggplot (data)
```

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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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```

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```
tidy_pop %> gather(messy_pop, 'year', 'pop', -country)
```

country	year	pop
Canada	1997	30.306
China	1997	1230.075
United States	1997	272.912
Canada	2002	31.902

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Data

Map data to visual elements or parameters

Aesthetics

```
+ aes()
```

- year
- pop
- country

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

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```
aes (  
  x = Year,  
  y = pop,  
  color = country  
)
```

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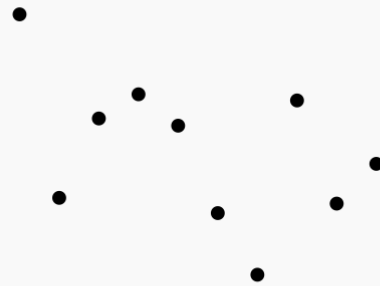
Aesthetics

Geoms

+ geom_*()

Geometric objects displayed on the plot

geom_point()



geom_line()



geom_col()



geom_boxplot()



geom_histogram()



geom_density()



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Here are the some of the most widely used geoms

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

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See <http://ggplot2.tidyverse.org/reference/> for many more options

```
# [1] "geom_abline"    "geom_area"      "geom_bar"       "geom_bin2d"
# [5] "geom_blank"     "geom_boxplot"   "geom_col"       "geom_contour"
# [9] "geom_count"     "geom_crossbar"  "geom_curve"     "geom_density"
# [13] "geom_density_2d" "geom_density2d" "geom_dotplot"   "geom_errorbar"
# [17] "geom_errorbarh" "geom_freqpoly"  "geom_hex"       "geom_histogram"
# [21] "geom_hline"     "geom_jitter"    "geom_label"     "geom_line"
# [25] "geom_linerange" "geom_map"       "geom_path"      "geom_point"
# [29] "geom_pointrange" "geom_polygon"   "geom_qq"        "geom_qq_line"
# [33] "geom_quantile"  "geom_raster"    "geom_rect"      "geom_ribbon"
# [37] "geom_rug"       "geom_segment"   "geom_sf"        "geom_sf_label"
# [41] "geom_sf_text"   "geom_smooth"    "geom_spoke"     "geom_step"
# [45] "geom_text"      "geom_tile"      "geom_violin"    "geom_vline"
```

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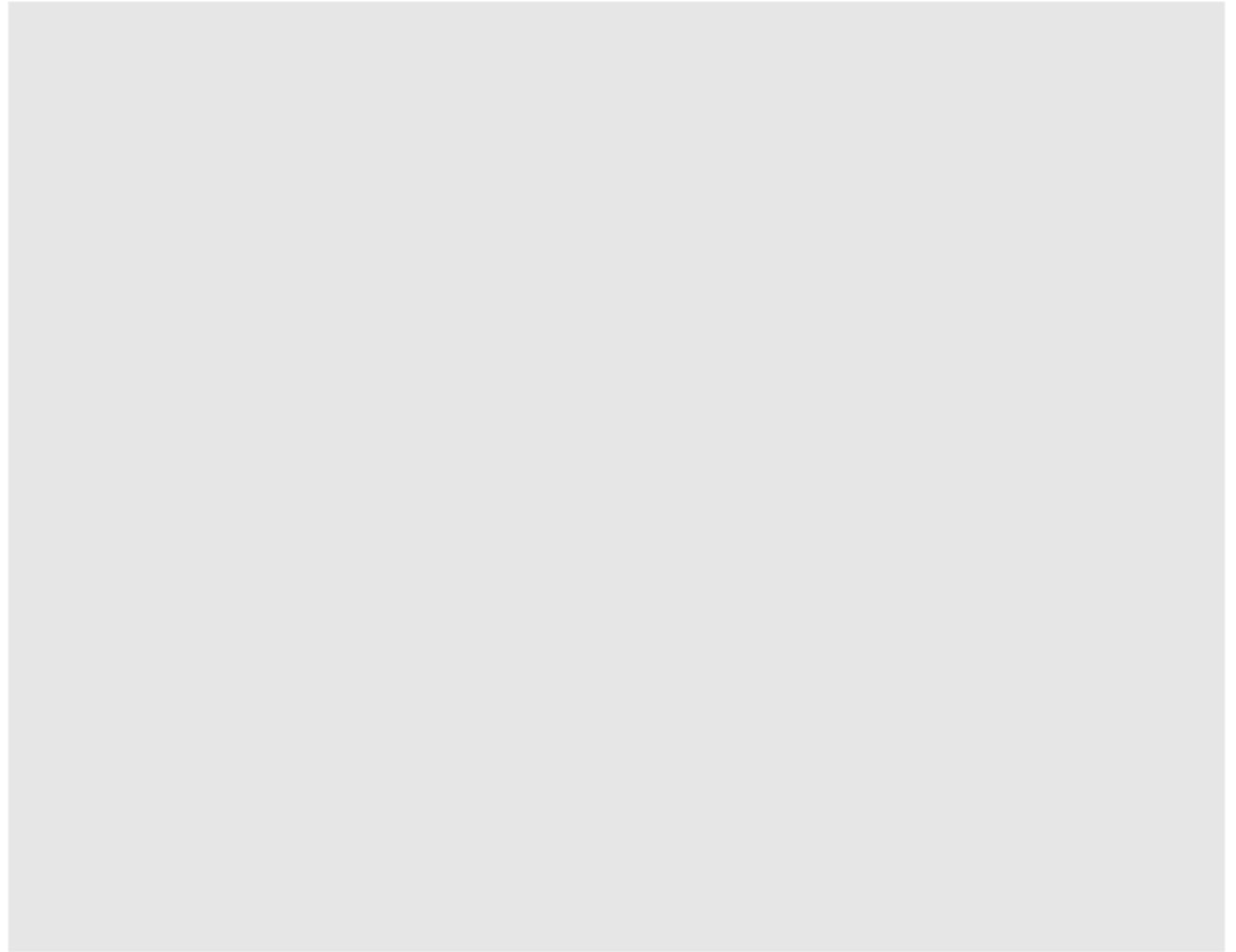
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Or just start typing `geom_` in RStudio

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

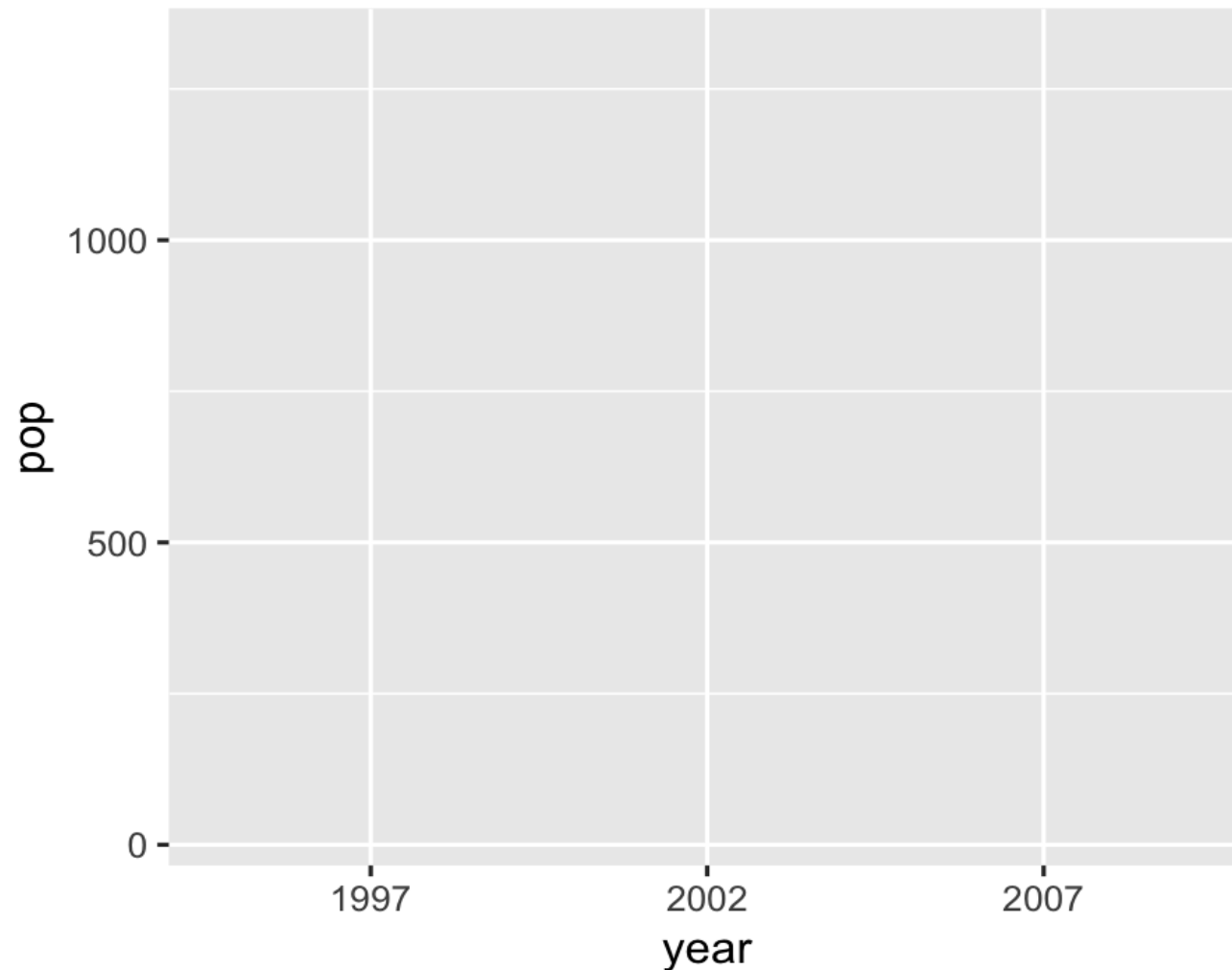
Our first plot!

```
ggplot(tidy_pop)
```



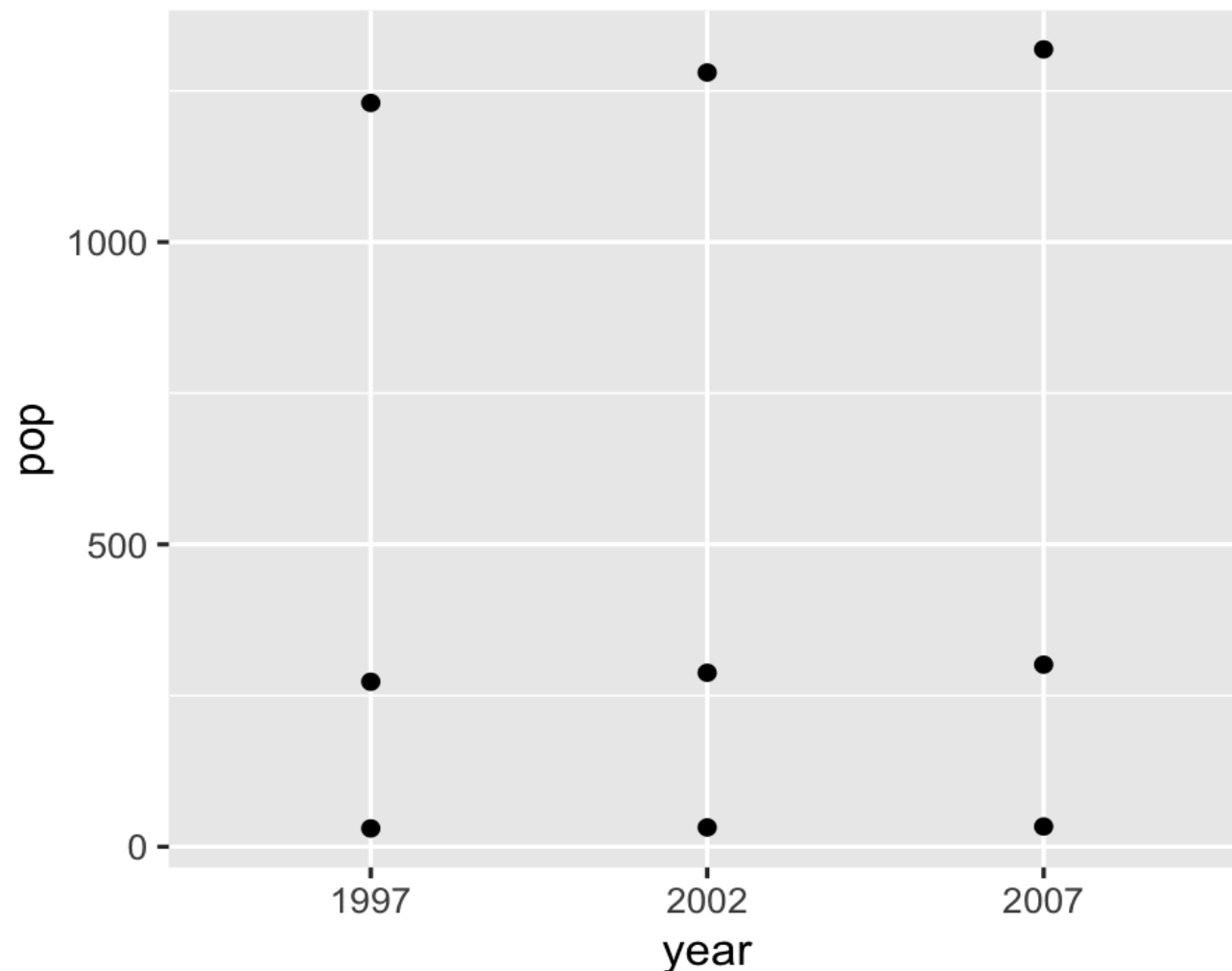
Our first plot!

```
ggplot(tidy_pop) +  
  aes(x = year,  
      y = pop)
```



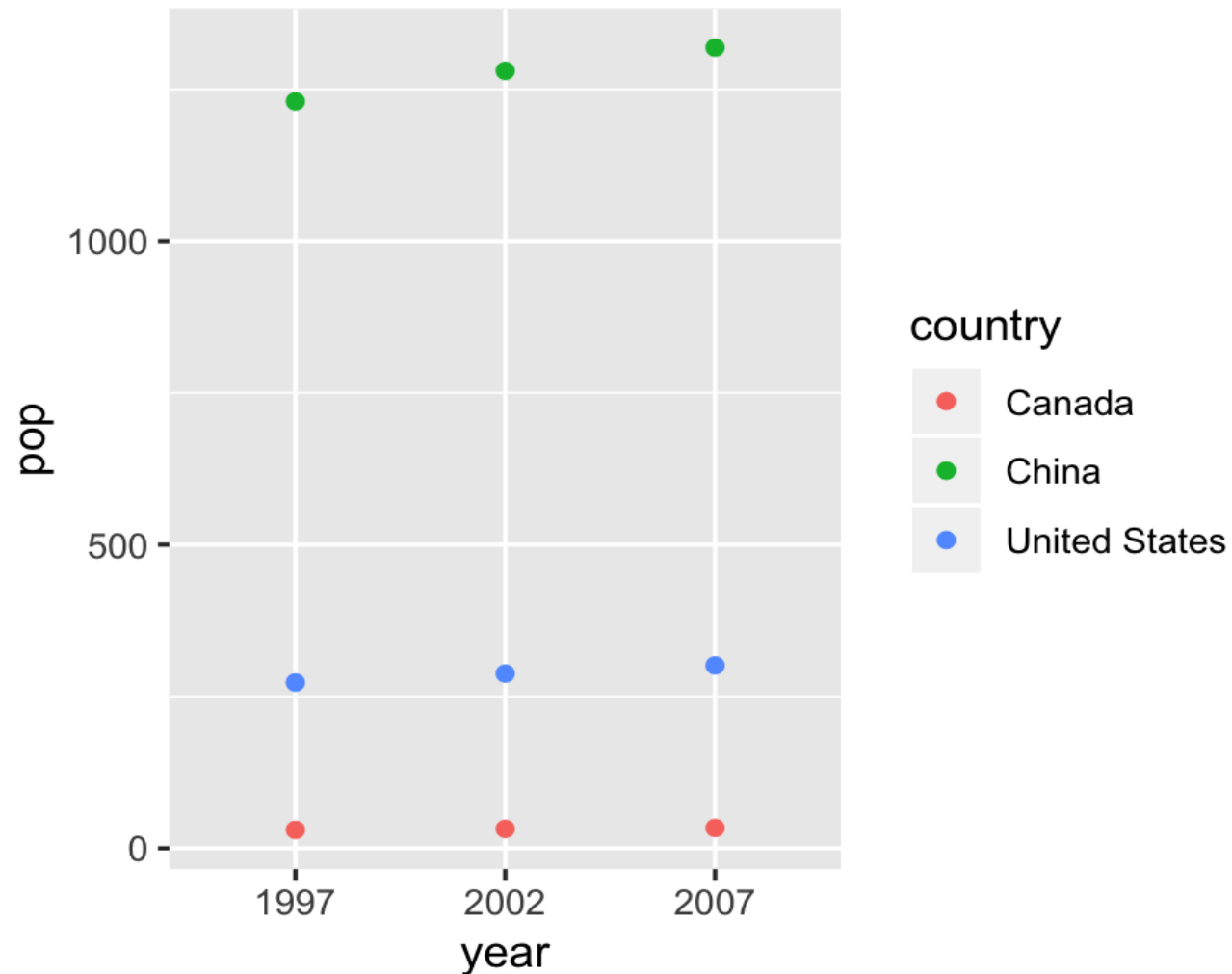
Our first plot!

```
ggplot(tidy_pop) +  
  aes(x = year,  
      y = pop) +  
  geom_point()
```



Our first plot!

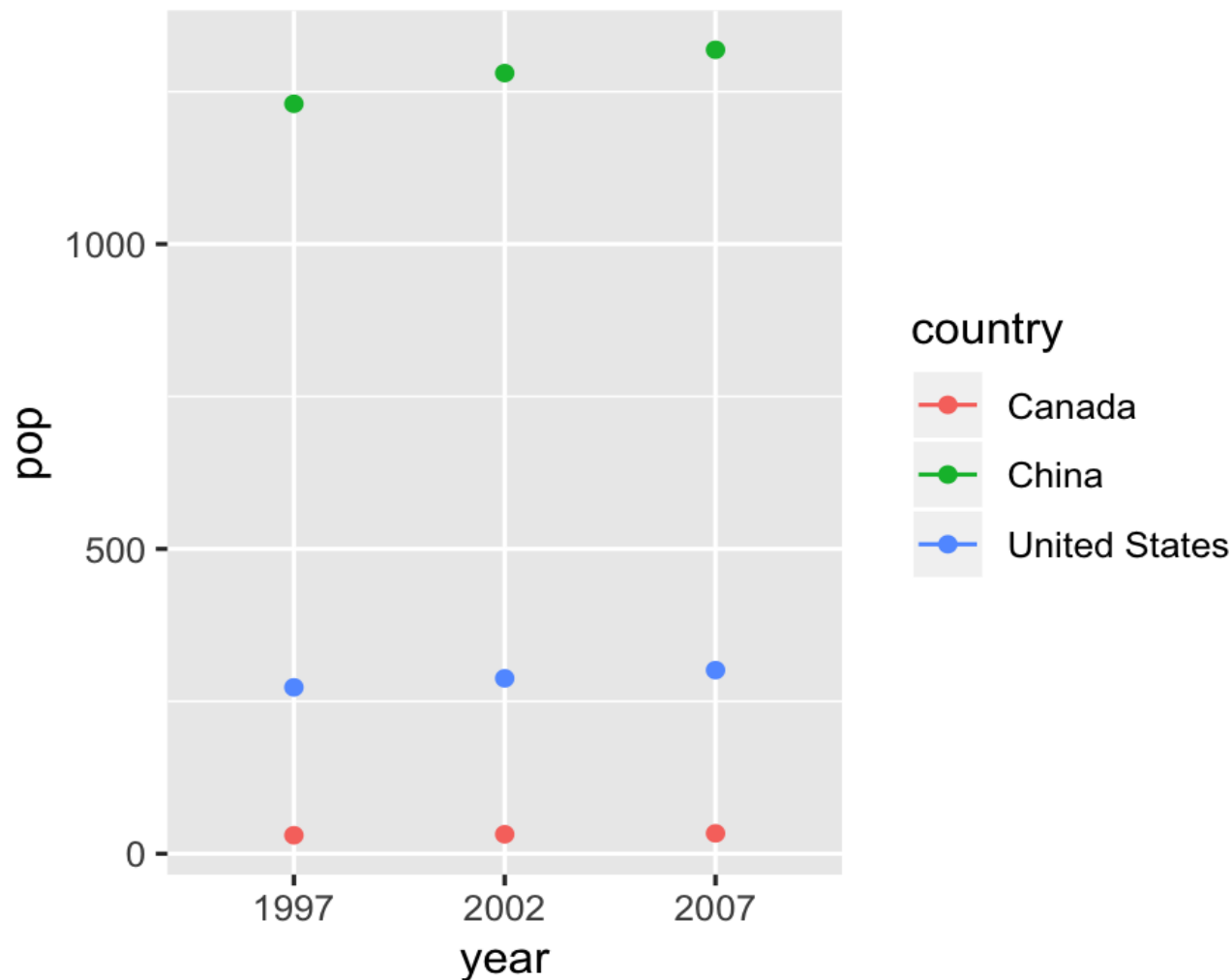
```
ggplot(tidy_pop) +  
  aes(x = year,  
      y = pop,  
      geom_point())
```



Our first plot!

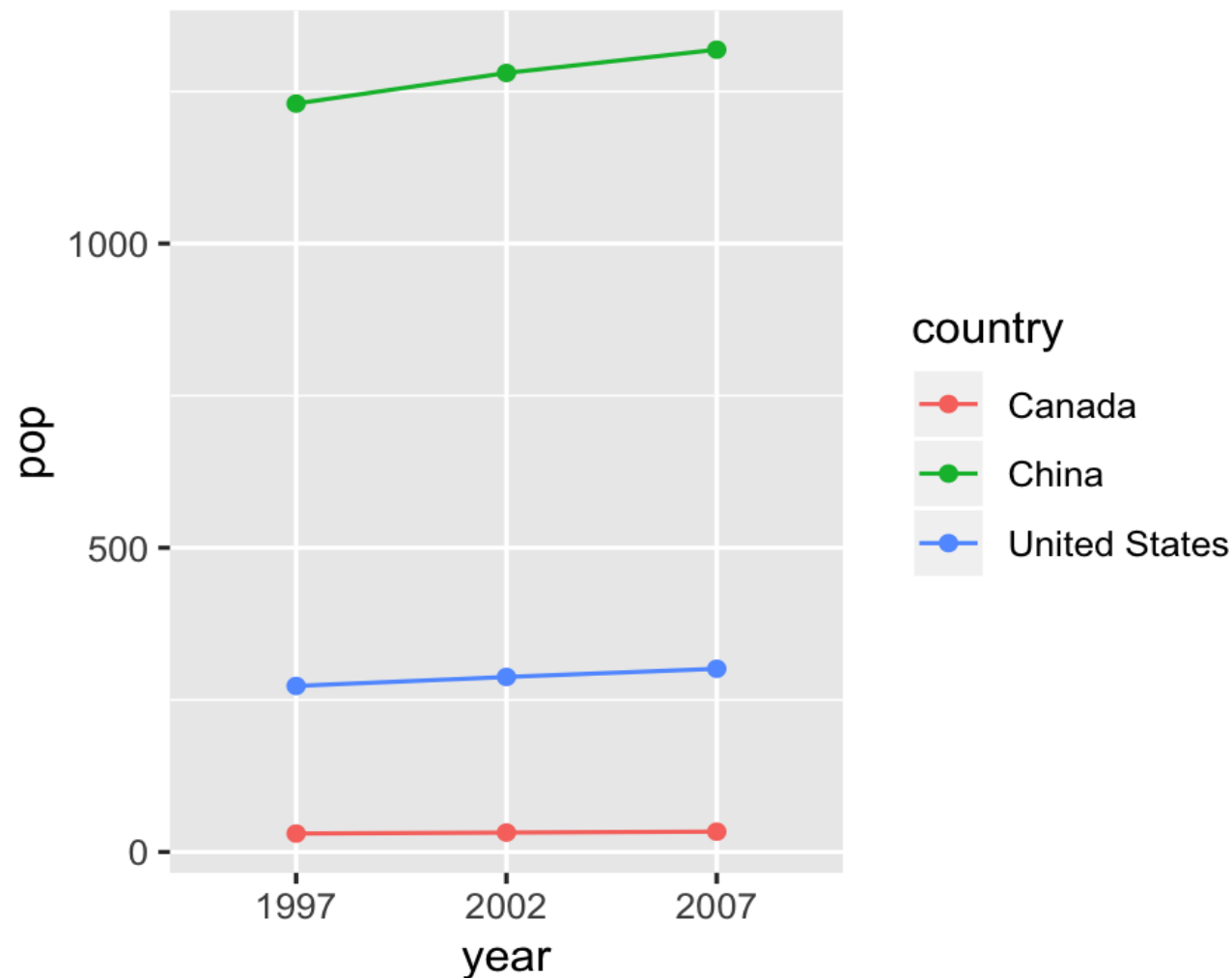
```
ggplot(tidy_pop) +  
  aes(x = Year,  
      y = pop,  
      color = country) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_line()
```

geom_path: Each group consists
of only one observation.
Do you need to adjust the
group aesthetic?



Our first plot!

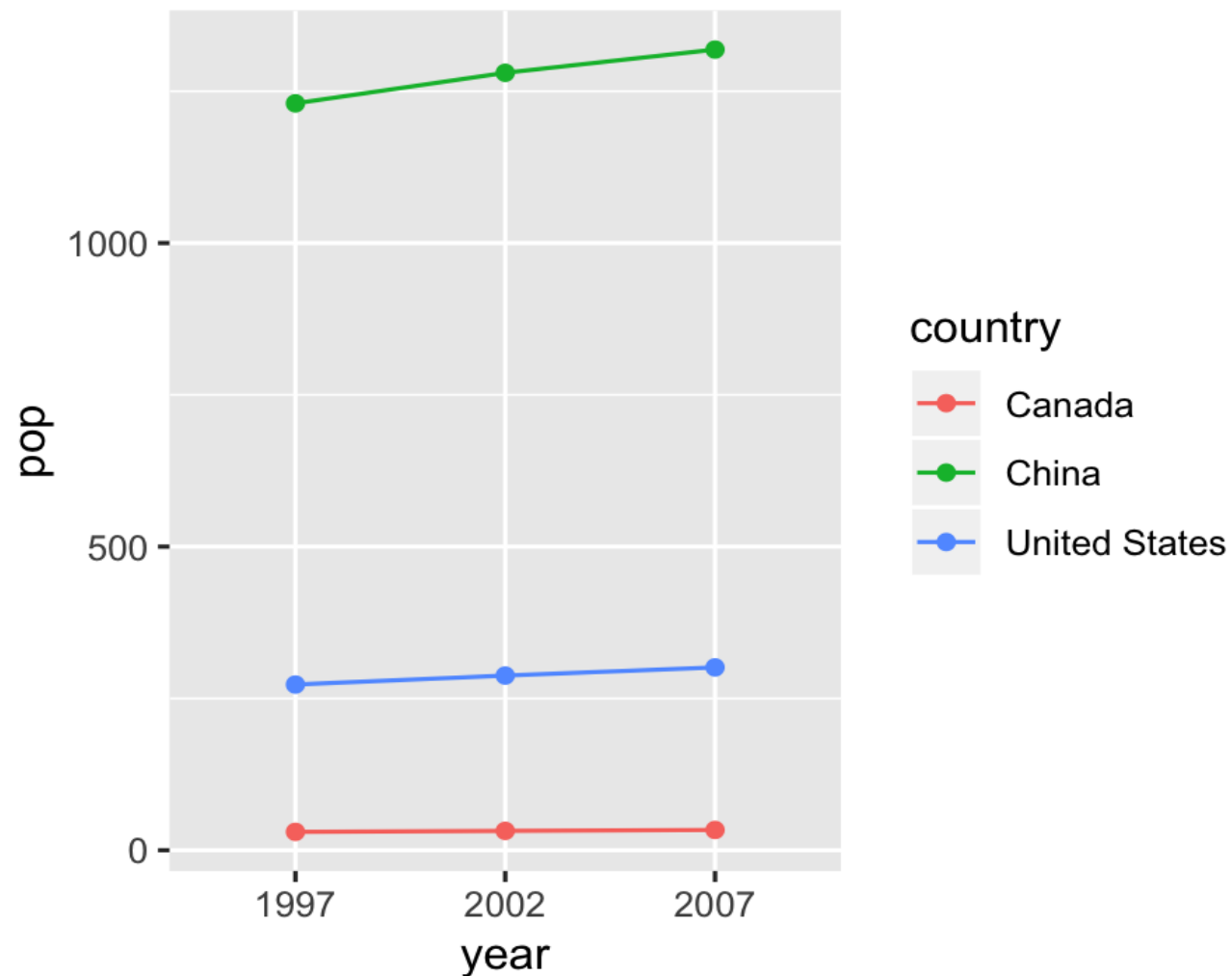
```
ggplot(tidy_pop) +  
  aes(x = year,  
      y = pop,  
      color = country) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_line(  
    aes(group = country))
```



Our first plot!

```
g <- ggplot(tidy_pop) +  
  aes(x = year,  
      y = pop,  
      color = country) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_line(  
    aes(group = country))
```

g



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Data

```
geom_*(mapping, data, stat, position)
```

Aesthetics

Geoms

```
+ geom_*()
```

- `data` Geoms can have their own data
 - Has to map onto global coordinates
- `map` Geoms can have their own aesthetics
 - Inherits global aesthetics
 - Have geom-specific aesthetics
 - `geom_point` needs `x` and `y`, optional `shape`, `color`, `size`, etc.
 - `geom_ribbon` requires `x`, `ymin` and `ymax`, optional `fill`
 - `?geom_ribbon`

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```

- `stat` Some geoms apply further transformations to the data
 - All respect `stat = 'identity'`
 - **Ex:** `geom_histogram` uses `stat_bin()` to group observations
- `position` Some adjust location of objects
 - `'dodge'`, `'stack'`, `'jitter'`

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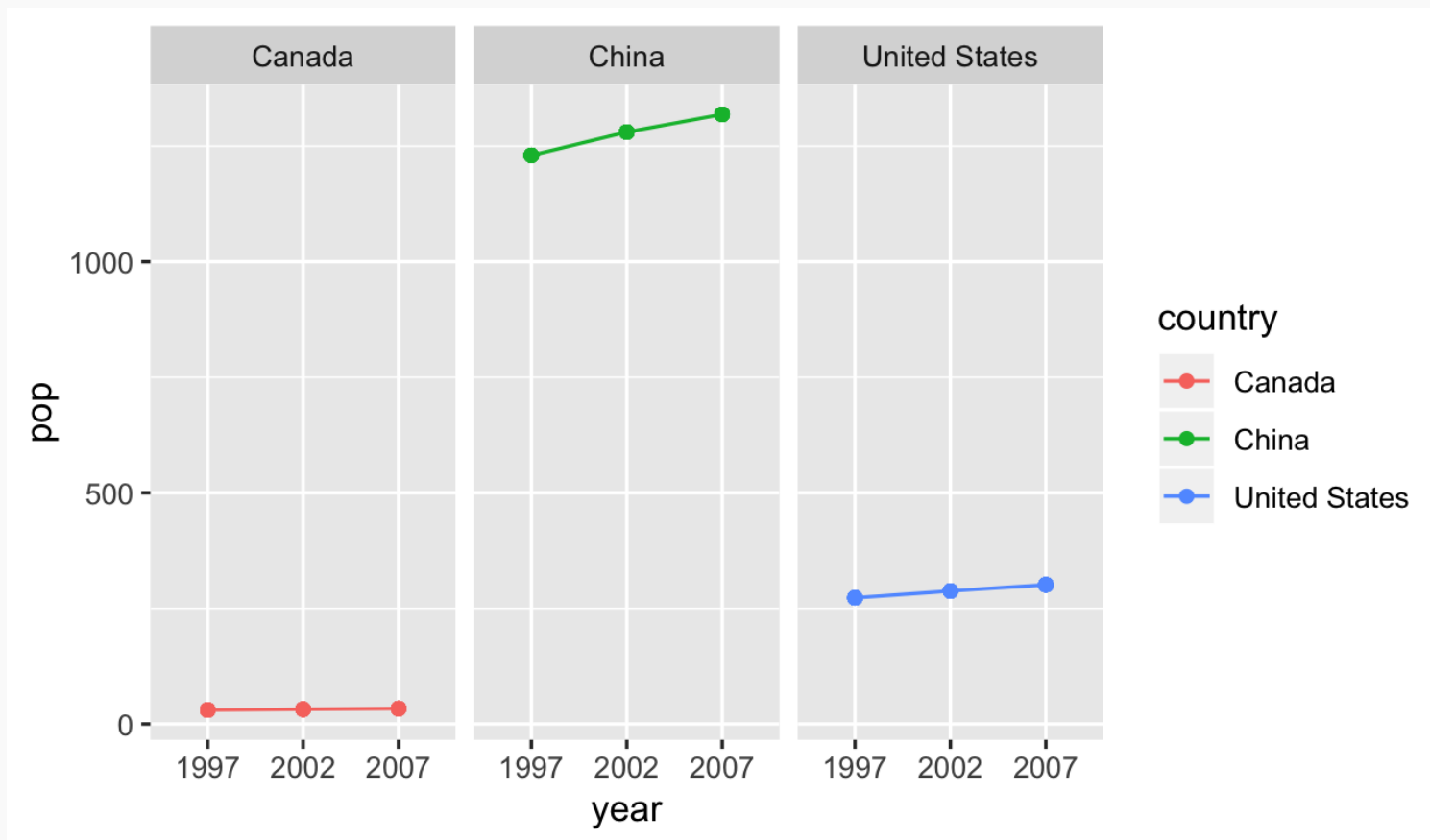
Geoms

Facet

```
+facet_wrap()
```

```
+facet_grid()
```

```
g + facet_wrap(~ country)
```



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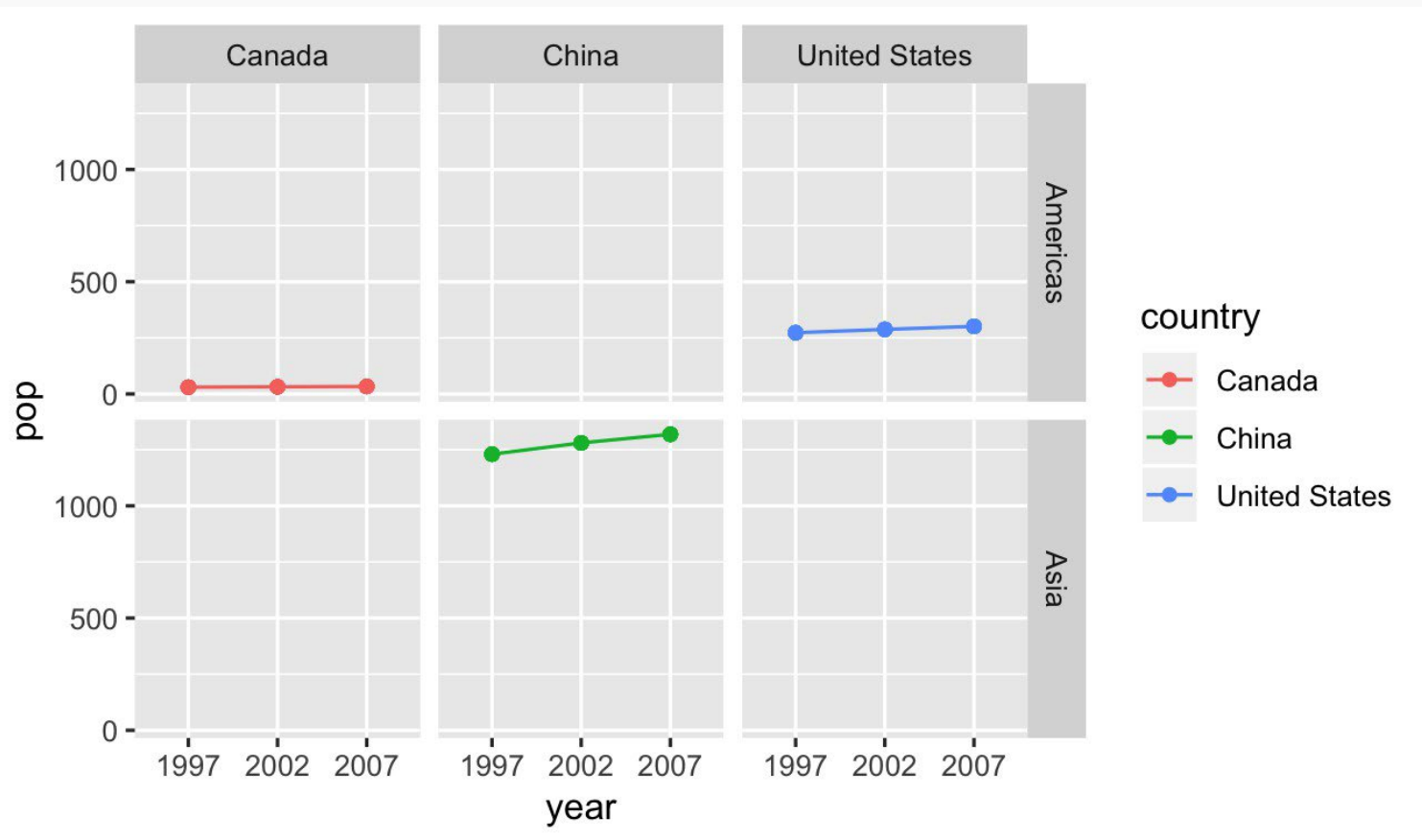
Geoms

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```
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```

```
+facet_grid()
```

```
g + facet_grid(continent ~ country)
```



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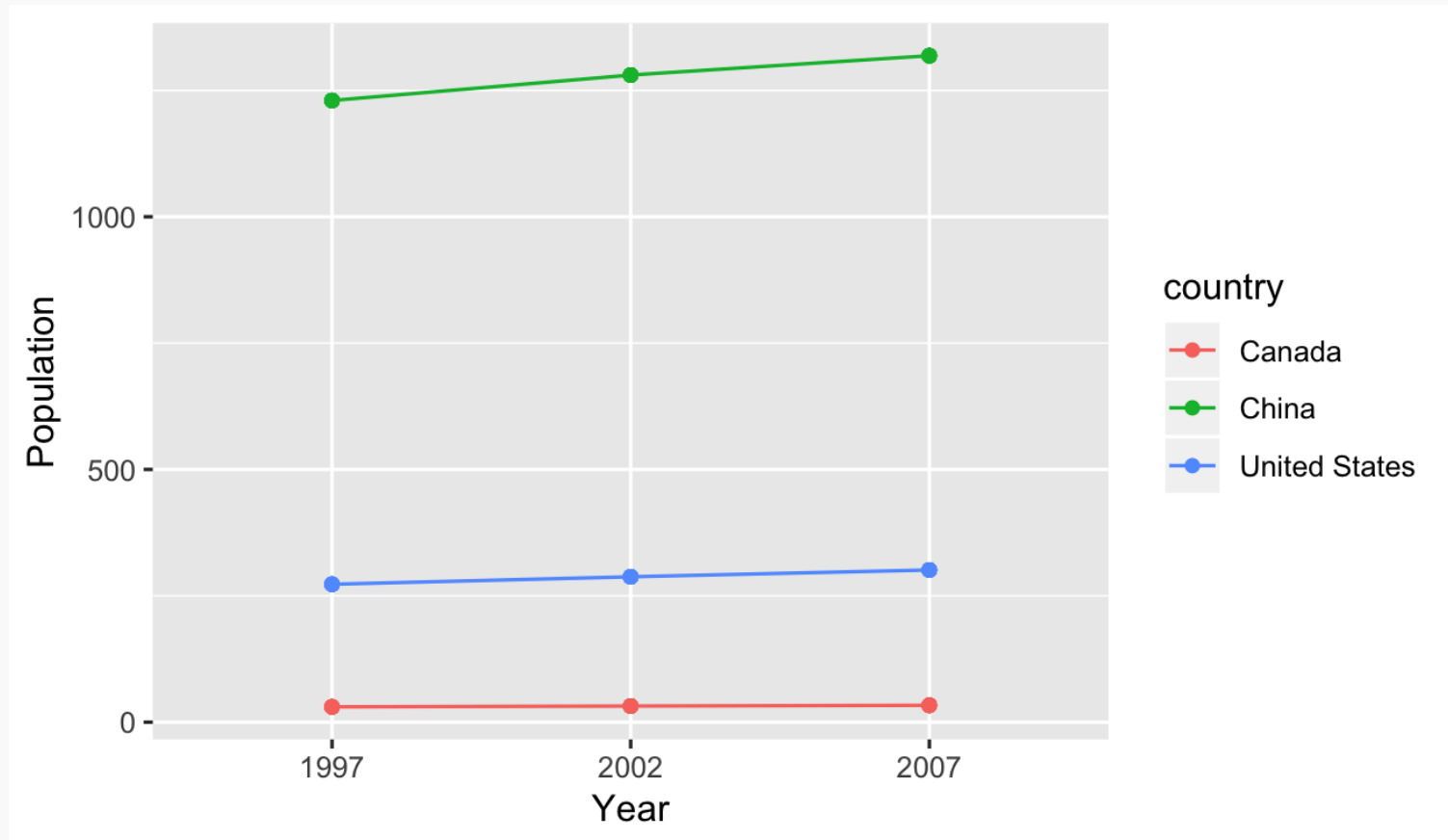
Geoms

Facet

Labels

```
+ labs ( )
```

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



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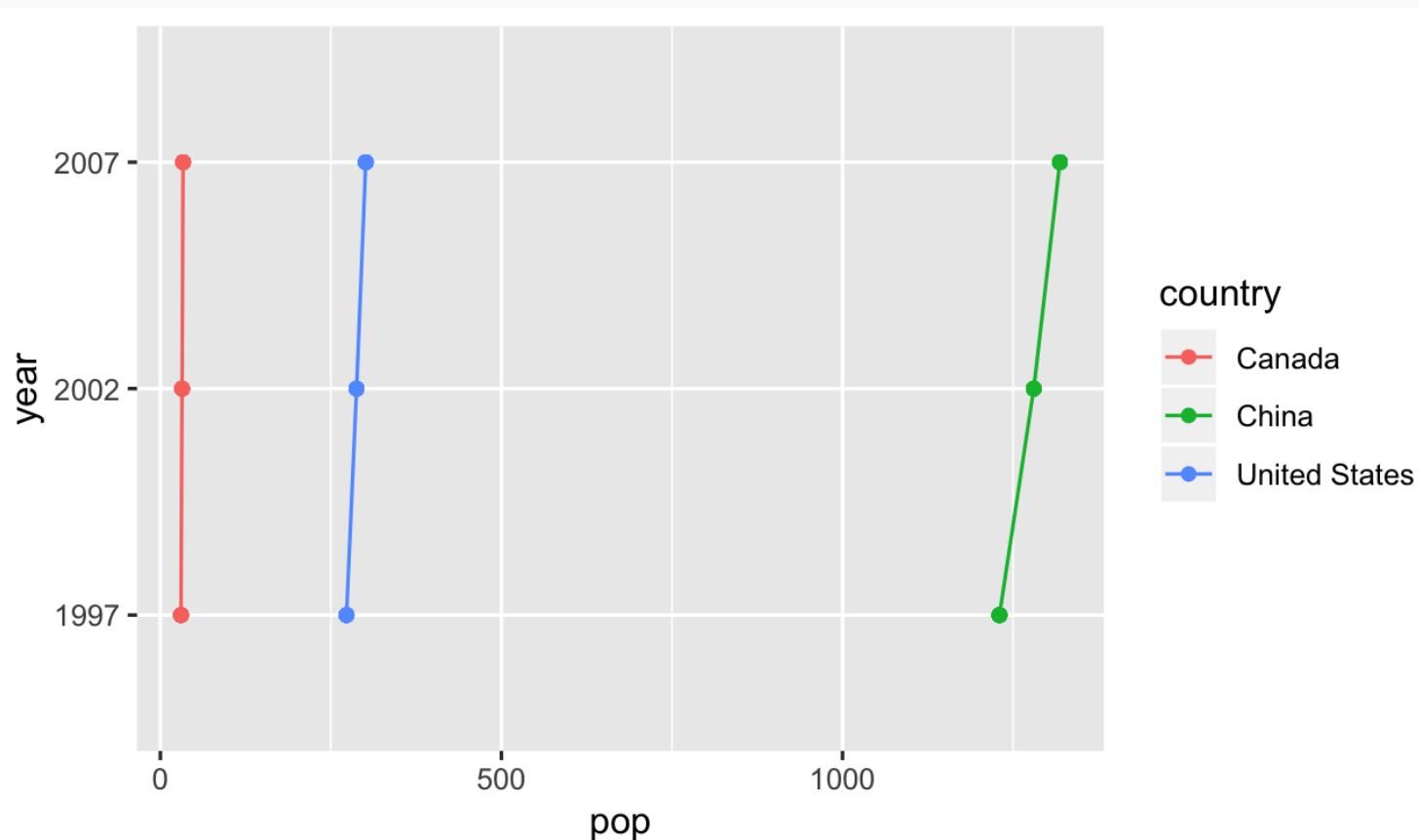
Facet

Labels

Coords

```
+ coord_*()
```

```
g + coord_flip()
```



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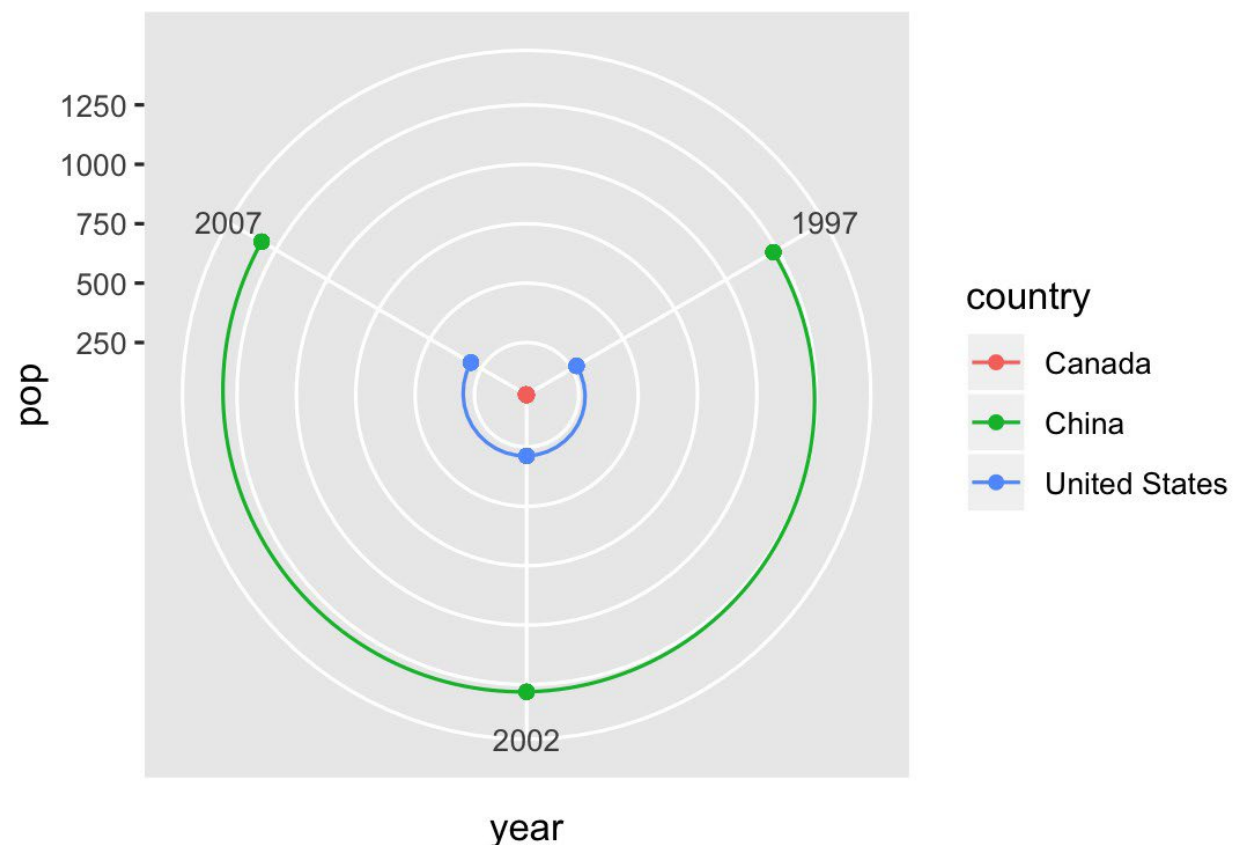
Facet

Labels

Coords

```
+ coord_*()
```

```
g + coord_polar()
```



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Data

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

Aesthetics

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

Geoms

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

Facet

- I want to change my discrete x-axis

`scale_x_discrete()`

Labels

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

`scale_size_continuous()`

Coords

- 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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Theme

Change the appearance of plot decorations

i.e. things that aren't mapped to data

A few "starter" themes ship with the package

- `g + theme_bw()`
- `g + theme_dark()`
- `g + theme_gray()`
- `g + theme_light()`
- `g + theme_minimal()`

```
+ theme ()
```

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Theme

Huge number of parameters, grouped by plot area:

- Global options: `line`, `rect`, `text`, `title`
- `axis`: x-, y- or other axis title, ticks, lines
- `legend`: Plot legends
- `panel`: Actual plot area
- `plot`: Whole image
- `strip`: Facet labels

```
+ theme ()
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Theme

Theme options are supported by helper functions:

- `element_blank()` removes the element
- `element_line()`
- `element_rect()`
- `element_text()`

+ `theme()`

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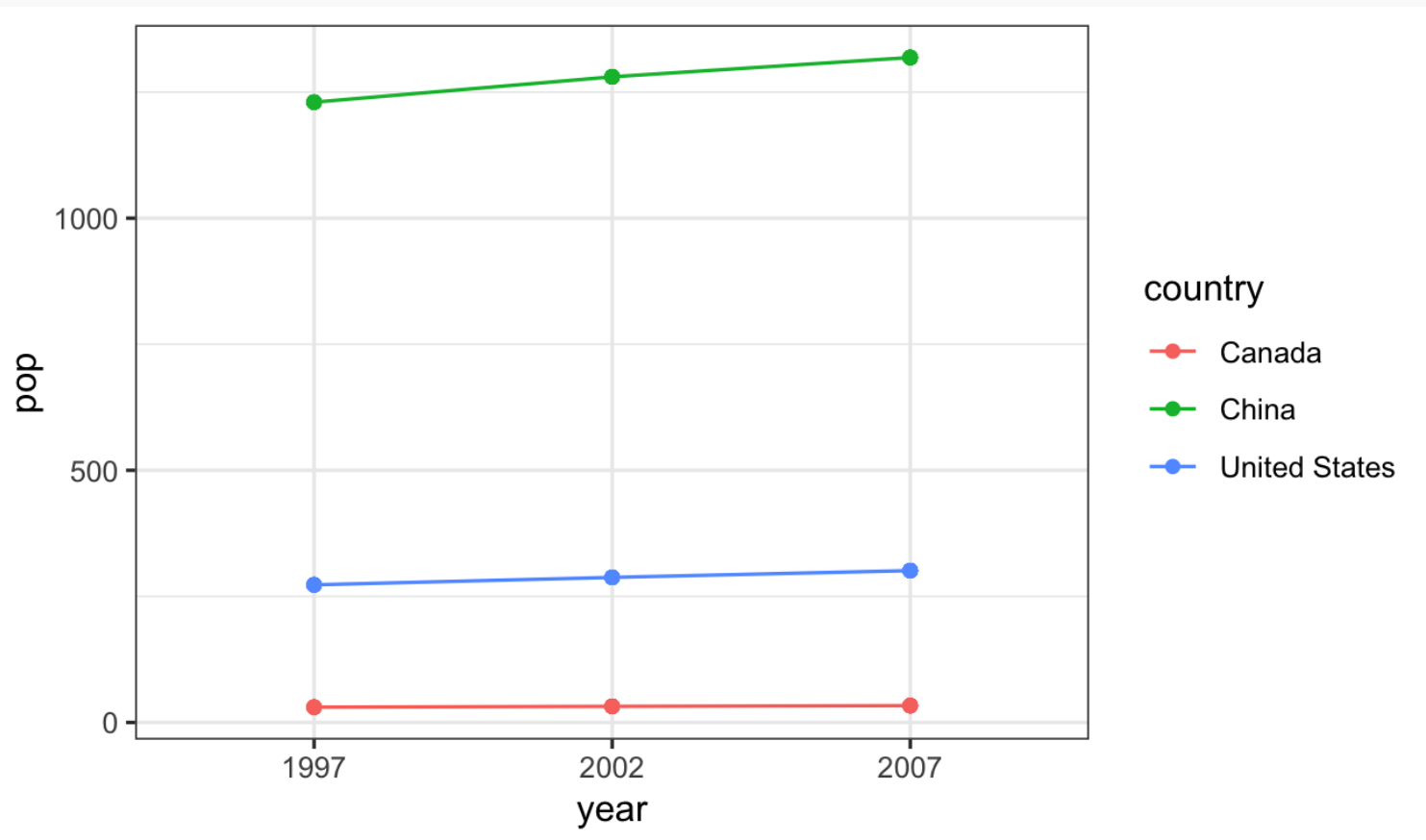
Coords

Scales

Theme

```
+ theme ()
```

```
g + theme_bw ()
```



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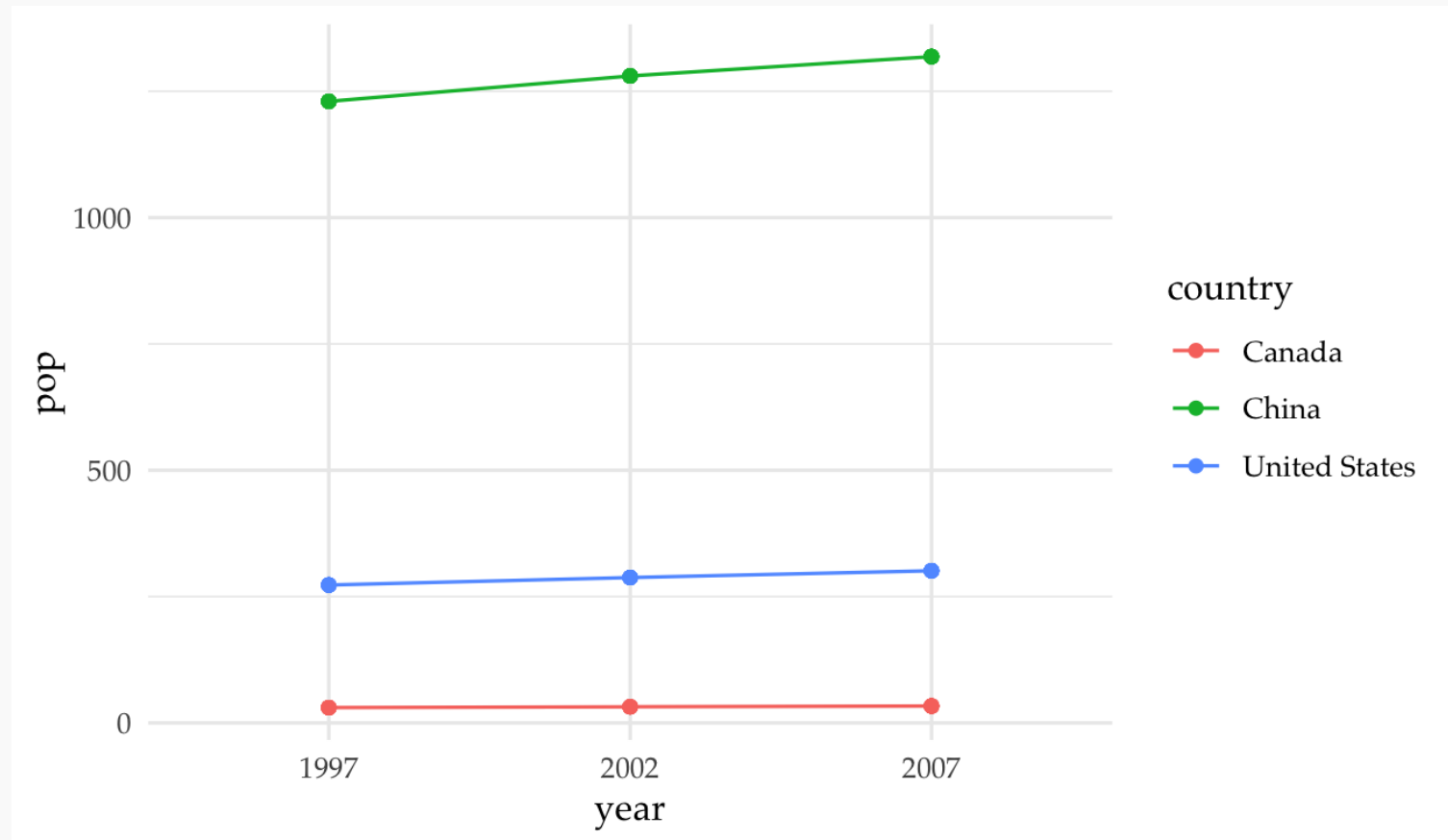
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```
+ theme ()
```

```
g + theme_minimal() + theme(text = element_text(family = "Palatino"))
```



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Theme

You can also set the theme globally with `theme_set()`

```
my_theme <- theme_bw() +  
  theme(  
    text = element_text(family = "Palatino", size = 12),  
    panel.border = element_rect(colour = 'grey80'),  
    panel.grid.minor = element_blank()  
  )  
  
theme_set(my_theme)
```

All plots will now use this theme!

```
+ theme()
```

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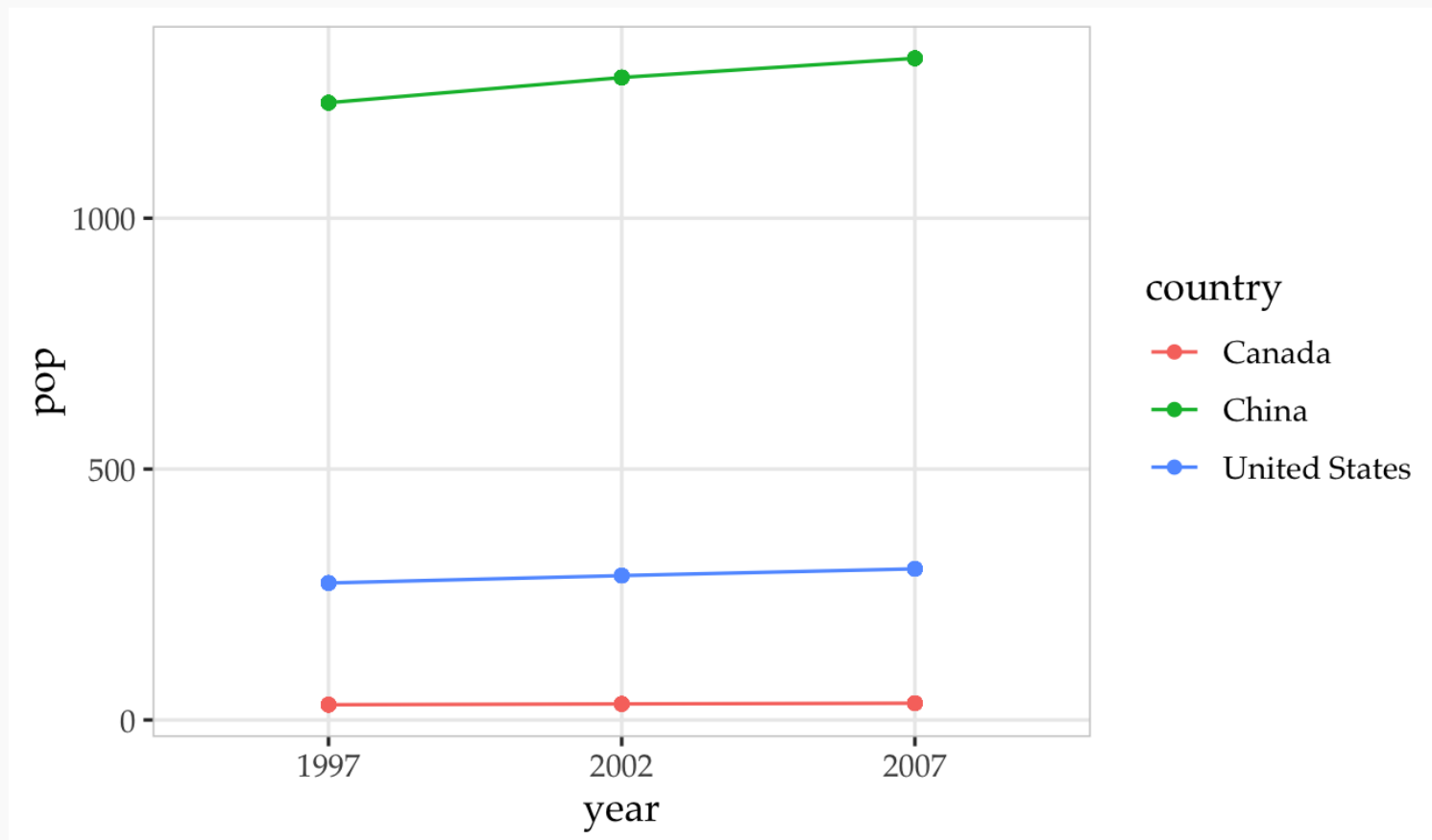
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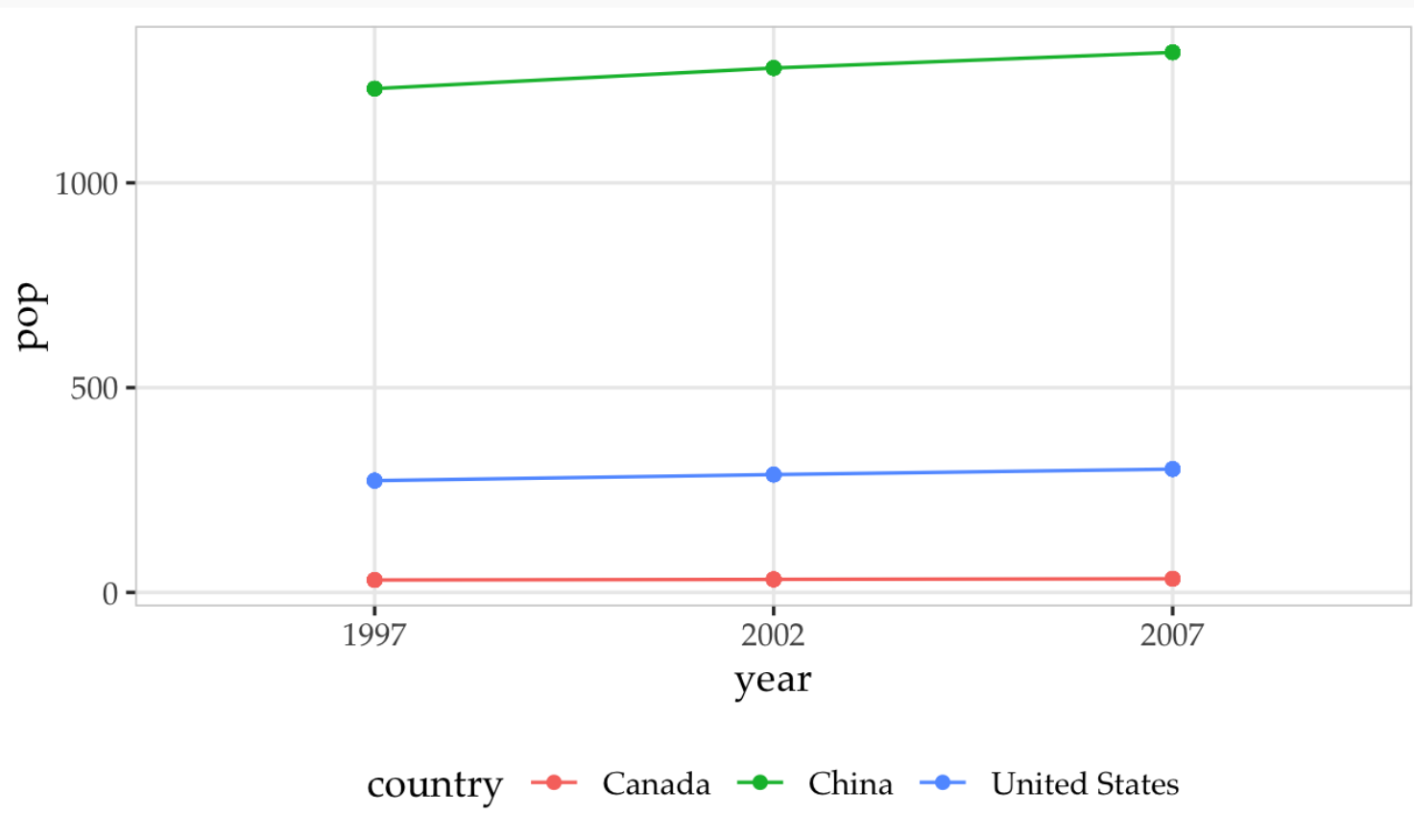
Coords

Scales

Theme

```
+ theme ()
```

```
g + theme (legend.position = 'bottom')
```



Save Your Work

To save your plot, use ggsave

```
ggsave(  
  filename = "my_plot.png",  
  plot = my_plot,  
  width = 10,  
  height = 8,  
  dpi = 100,  
  device = "png"  
)
```

You have the power!



"Live" Coding

```
library(gapminder)
```