



# Introduction to R: Day 3 Data Visualization

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## Workshop Schedule

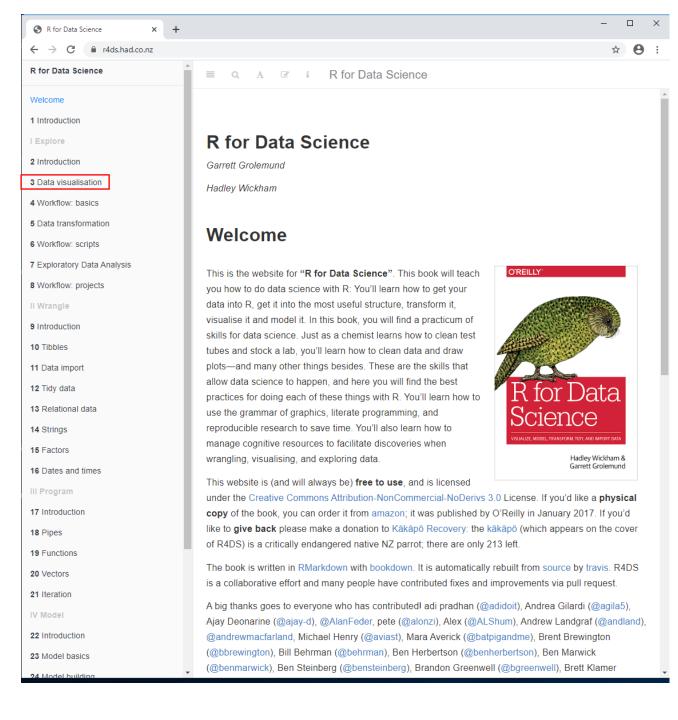
- In this workshop, the following topics will be covered:
  - Mastering R basics: will include an introduction to the R environment, packages and data types
  - Describing data: will demonstrate how to generate descriptive statistics, table outputs and simple statistical tests (i.e. t tests)
  - Visualizing data: will show participants how to generate multiple types of plots and charts

## Plan for today

- First 15 minutes will consist of a quick review
- Go to <a href="https://github.com/YaraRAA/DataSci IntrotoR">https://github.com/YaraRAA/DataSci IntrotoR</a>
- Scroll down to: README.md
- You will see some poll links with numbers
- Let's begin!

## Plan for today ctd...

- Then....
- I will talk for an hour (if you're lucky, maybe less) about how to draw plots
  - using base R
  - using ggplot2
- You will get a chance to practice afterwards with the exercises provided. Again, I recommend that you work in pairs.



### Textbook for ggplot2

- https://r4ds.had.co.nz/
- Chapter 3 of R for Data Science
- Why ggplot2?
  - Very popular package
  - A lot of examples online
  - Part of the tidyverse collection of packages

https://www.tidyverse.org/





## Some words about the tidyverse

- I personally do not use tidyverse packages, so bear with me
- I also disagree with some of the suggestions in this textbook but feel free to follow it if it works for you!
- FYI, I like the following packages:
  - base R for basic plotting (if I need to quickly check a distribution)
  - mgcv plot of a gam model for the non-linear shape of a dose-response (gam stands for generalized additive model)
  - plotly for fancy plots for publication (they have a lot of easy tutorials online)
  - data.table for data management data.table is excellent for very large (100 million + rows)
     datasets

## Plots using base R

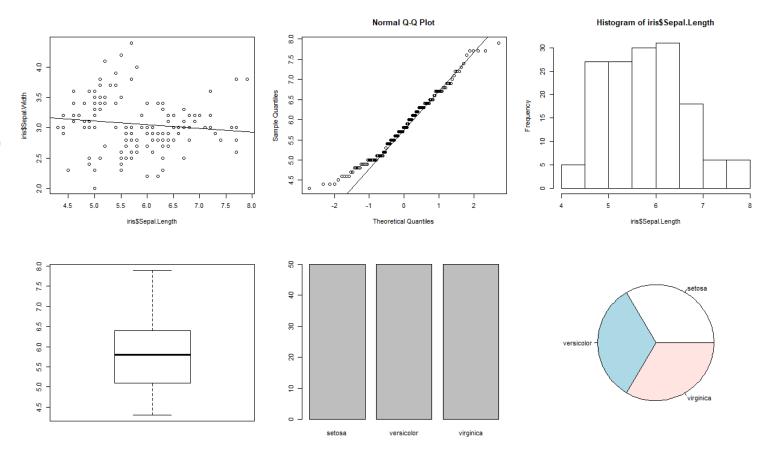
Function	Input	Output
Plot abline	(x , y) 2 numeric vectors i.e. 2 columns (a = constant, b = slope)	Scatter plot Adds one or more straight lines through the current plot
hist	One numeric vector i.e. one column	Histogram of a continuous variable
qqnorm qqline	One numeric vector i.e. one column	Normal qqplot of a continuous variable Adds a line to a "theoretical", by default normal, quantile-quantile plot
boxplot	One numeric vector i.e. one column	Box plot
pie	A table object	Pie chart
barplot	A table object	Bar plot

## Useful arguments in base R plot functions

Argument	Input	What it does
main = , xlab = , ylab =	'title in quotes'	Adds main title, x axis and y axis title to plot respectively
add =	Т	Add this new plot to the previous
xlim =, ylim =	c(min, max)	Sets beginning and end of x axis & y axis respectively
col =	a color in quotations i.e. 'red' OR rgb(red,green,blue,transparency)	Determines the colour of the plot
cex =	number	Relative size of text
pch =	number $ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Determines shape of points  Same numbers are also used in ggplot2 syntax but instead of pch = , the syntax is shape =

## Example: multiple plots in one

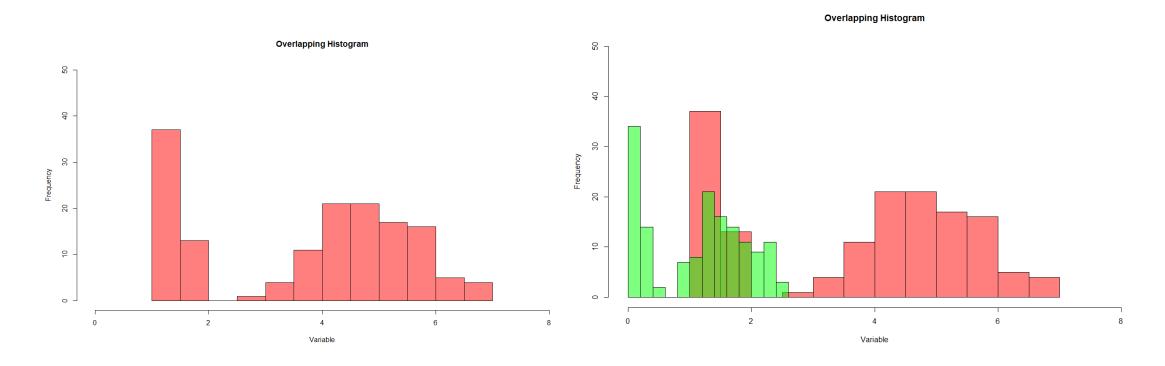
```
par(mfrow =c(2,3))
plot(iris$Sepal.Length, iris$Sepal.Width)
abline(Im(Sepal.Width ~ Sepal.Length, data = iris ))
qqnorm(iris$Sepal.Length)
qqline(iris$Sepal.Length)
hist(iris$Sepal.Length)
boxplot(iris$Sepal.Length)
barplot(table(iris$Species))
pie(table(iris$Species))
```



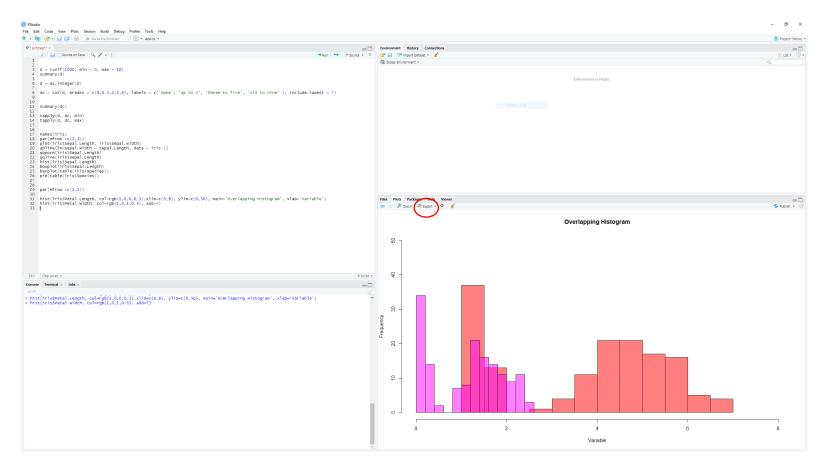
## Example: overlaying plots

hist(iris\$Petal.Length, col=rgb(1,0,0,0.5),xlim=c(0,8), ylim=c(0,50), main='Overlapping Histogram', xlab='Variable')

hist(iris\$Petal.Width, col=rgb(0,1,0,0.5), add=T)



## Saving your plot



Alternatively, before plotting run code:

```
pdf('nameoffile.pdf')
```

plot(x, y)

dev.off()

Saves your plot to a pdf file named 'nameoffile.pdf' in your working directory.

## Now to ggplot2

• First install the tidyverse packages and then load them:

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

Alternatively:

```
install.packages("ggplot2")
library(ggplot2)
```

## We will be using the mpg data frame which is found in ggplot2

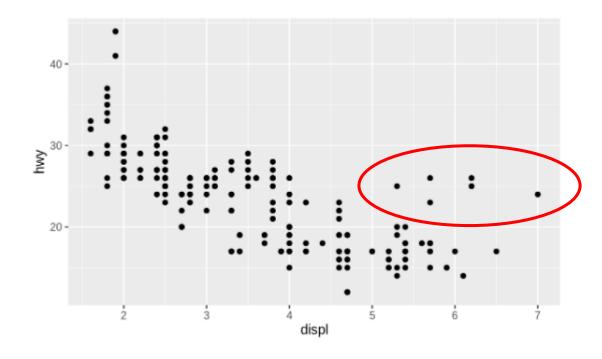
```
mpg
#> # A tibble: 234 x 11
    manufacturer model displ year
                                    cyl trans
                                                                hwy fl
                                                  drv
                                                                           class
                 <chr> <dbl> <int> <int> <chr> <chr> <int> <int> <int> <chr>
     <chr>>
                         1.8 1999
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#> 2 audi.
                         1.8 1999
                                      4 manual(m5) f
                                                                  29 p
                                                                           compa...
                                       4 manual(m6) f
#> 3 audi
                              2008
                                                                  31 p
                                                                           compa...
                                       4 auto(av) f
#> 4 audi
                 a4
                              2008
                                                                  30 p
                                                                           compa...
                                       6 auto(l5) f
#> 5 audi.
                         2.8 1999
                                                                  26 p
                                                                           compa...
                                       6 manual(m5) f
#> 6 audi
                         2.8 1999
                                                                  26 p
                                                                           compa...
#> # ... with 228 more rows
```

#### Among the variables in mpg are:

- 1. displ, a car's engine size, in litres.
- hwy, a car's fuel efficiency on the highway, in miles per gallon (mpg). A car with a low fuel efficiency consumes more fuel than a car with a high fuel efficiency when they travel the same distance.

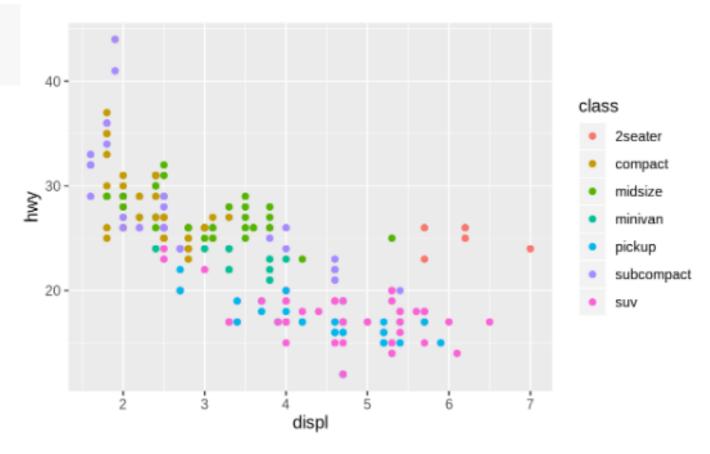
## Creating a ggplot

• To plot mpg, run this code to put displ on the x-axis and hwy on the y-axis:



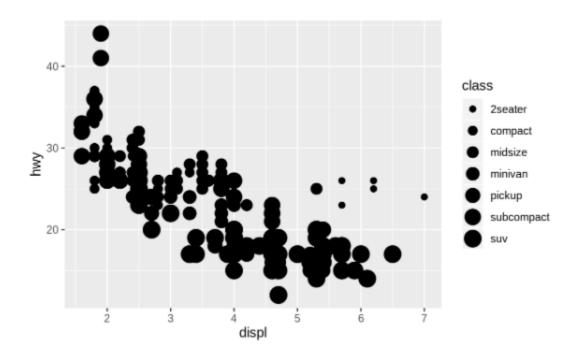
## Colour coded point data

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



## Indicating class by point size

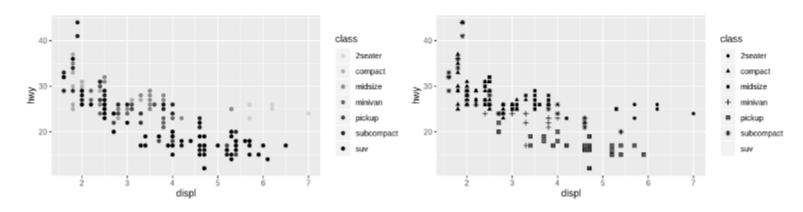
```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy, size = class))
#> Warning: Using size for a discrete variable is not advised.
```



## Indicating class by point shape / transparency

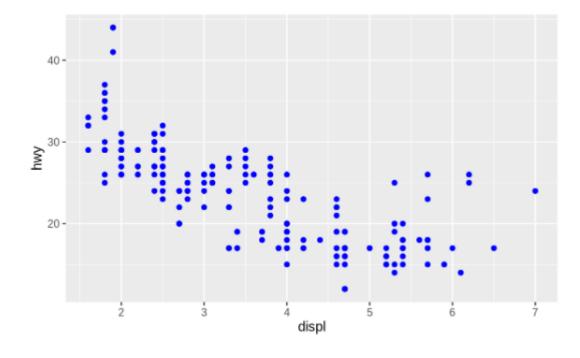
```
# Left
ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy, alpha = class))

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



## Selecting the color of your points

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



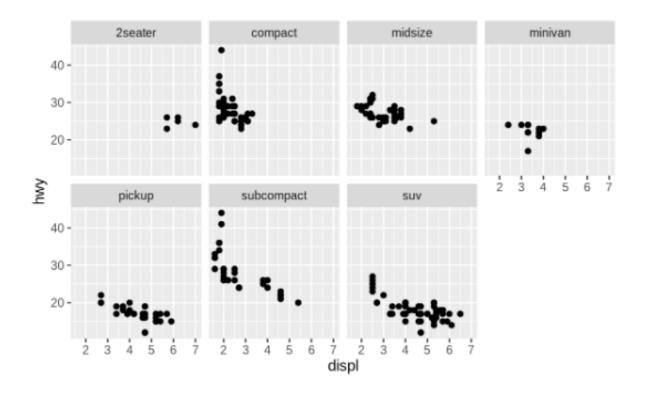
## Avoiding errors in your code

#### Make sure:

- you have entered the code exactly as it is presented
- commas are in the right place
- every opening quote " has a closing quote "
- every open bracket ( has a closing bracket )
- specifically in ggplot2, the + has to come at the end of the line
- If you run code and nothing happens, you will see a + sign in your console. This means that R is waiting for you to close a function that you started (conversely, > means that R is ready for a new command):
  - when this happens, hit the escape button to abort the current command and check your code

## Plotting subsets of data

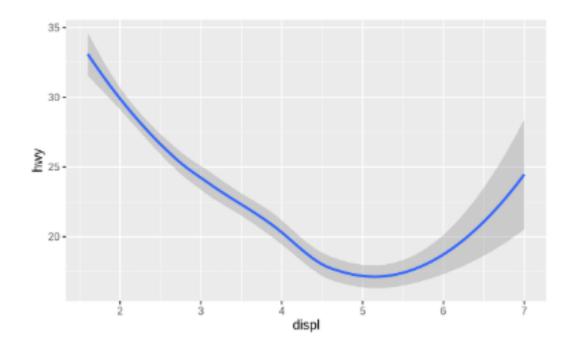
```
ggplot(data = mpg) +
geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)) +
facet_wrap(~ class, nrow = 2)
```

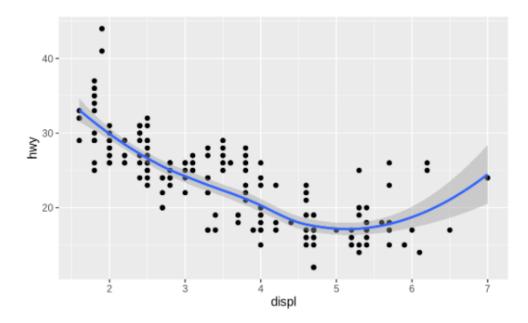


## Applying a smooth function to your scatter plot

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

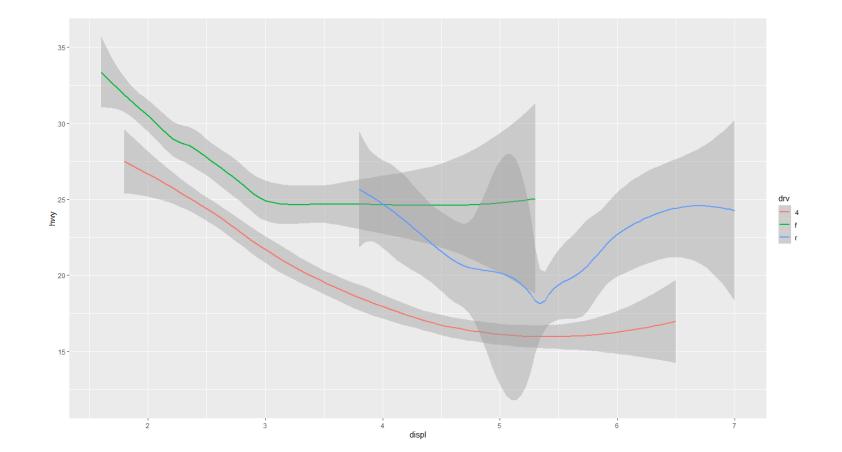






## Apply smooth functions to different subsets

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



drv

f = front-wheel drive,

r = rear wheel drive,

4 = 4wd

Note: by default, geom\_smooth Uses mgcv gam when there are > 1000 observations

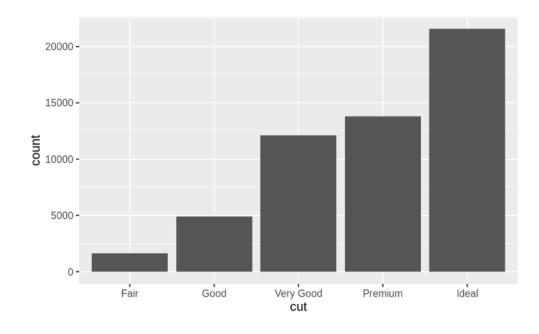
## What about categorical data?

Data frame diamonds in ggplot2

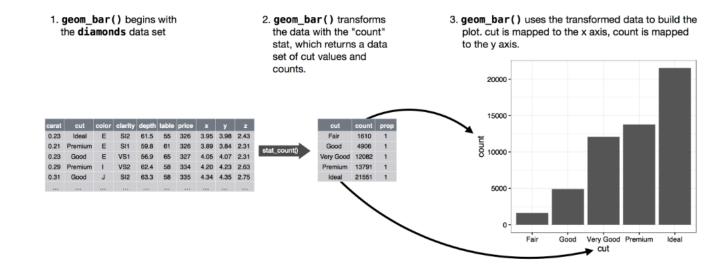
```
> head(diamonds)
# A tibble: 6 x 10
 carat cut
          color clarity depth table price
             <ord> <ord> <dbl> <dbl> <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl><</pre>
 <dbl> <ord>
1 0.23 Ideal
                     SI2
                             61.5
                                         326 3.95 3.98 2.43
                                    61 326 3.89 3.84 2.31
2 0.21 Premium E
                     SI1
                             59.8
                                    65 327 4.05 4.07 2.31
3 0.23 Good
                   VS1
                             56.9
4 0.290 Premium I
                  VS2
                             62.4
                                    58 334 4.2 4.23 2.63
5 0.31 Good
                  SI2
                             63.3
                                    58 335 4.34 4.35 2.75
6 0.24 Very Good J
                             62.8
                                         336 3.94 3.96 2.48
                     VVS2
```

## Bar plot: Frequency of diamonds by quality of cut

```
ggplot(data = diamonds) +
geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut))
```

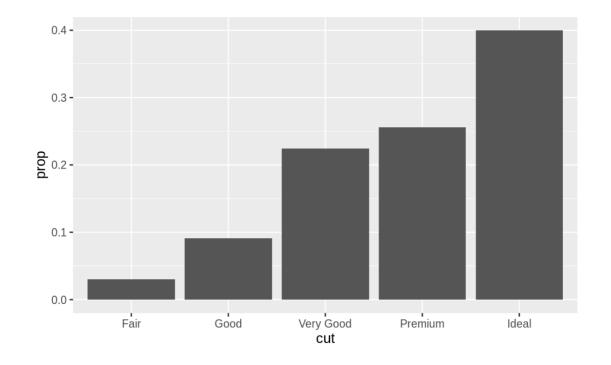


## Bar plot: A count variable is created!



## Bar plot: what if I want to plot proportion instead?

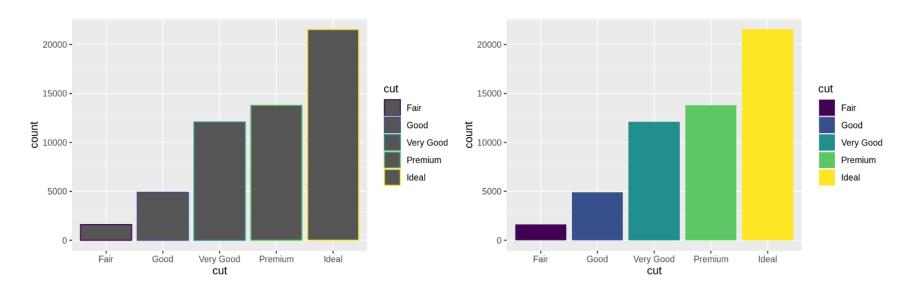
```
ggplot(data = diamonds) +
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, y = stat(prop), group = 1))
```



Note: 'ggplot2 provides over 20 stats for you to use. Each stat is a function, so you can get help in the usual way, e.g. ?stat\_bin'

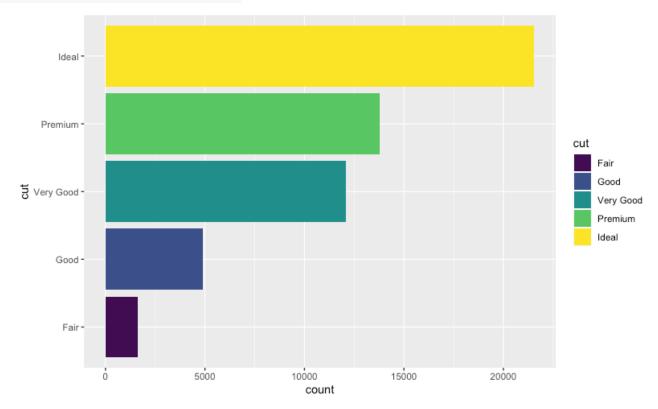
## Bar plot: adding color

```
ggplot(data = diamonds) +
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, colour = cut))
ggplot(data = diamonds) +
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill = cut))
```



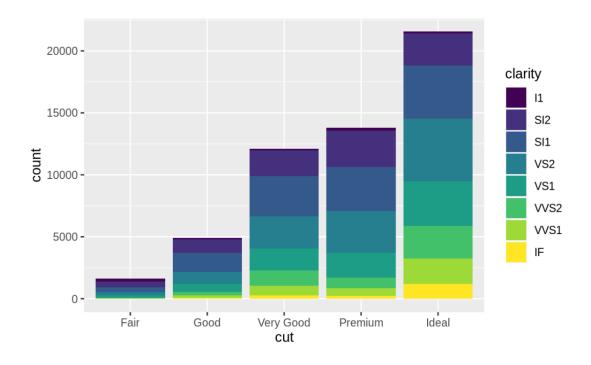
## Bar plot: flipped to the side

```
bar <- ggplot(data = diamonds) +
geom_bar( mapping = aes(x = cut, fill = cut))
bar + coord_flip()</pre>
```



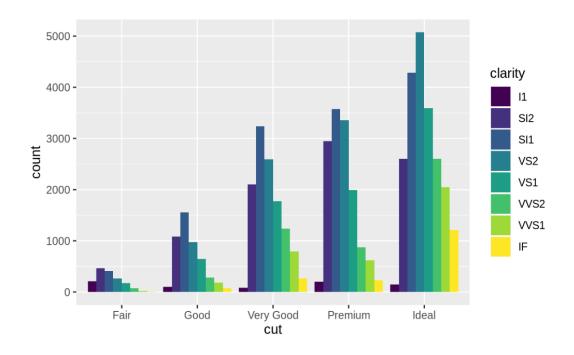
## Bar plot: stacked bar plots

```
ggplot(data = diamonds) +
geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill = clarity))
```



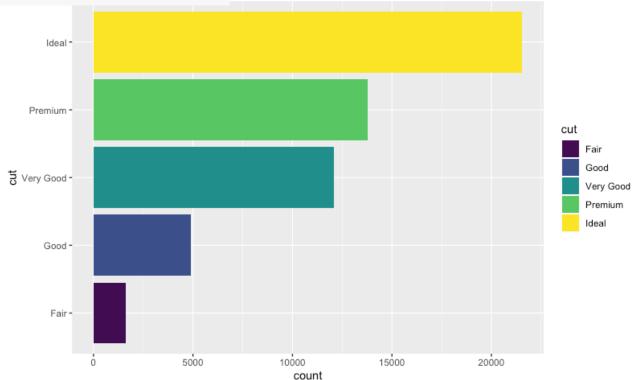
## Bar plots: grouped bar plots

```
ggplot(data = diamonds) +
geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill = clarity), position = "dodge")
```



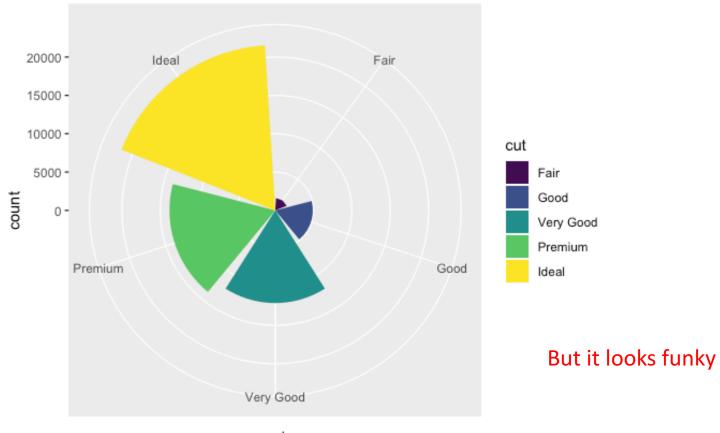
## Pie Chart: Remember how we flipped the bar plot?

```
bar <- ggplot(data = diamonds) +
geom_bar( mapping = aes(x = cut, fill = cut))
bar + coord_flip()</pre>
```



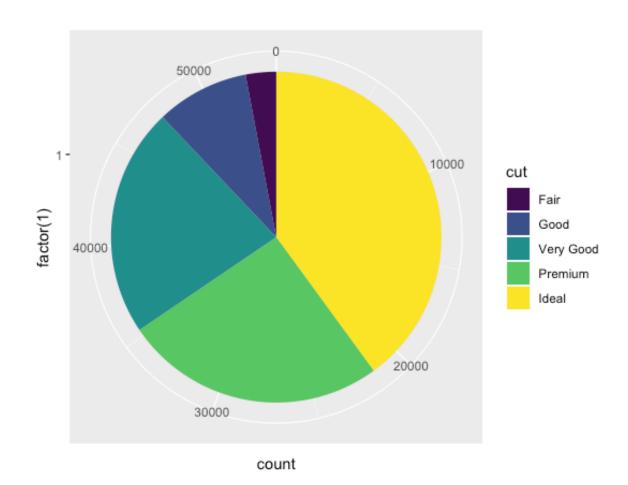
## Pie chart: similarly, we can create a pie chart

```
bar <- ggplot(data = diamonds) +
  geom_bar( mapping = aes(x = cut, fill = cut))
bar + coord_polar()</pre>
```



### Pie Chart

```
ggplot(diamonds, aes(x=factor(1), fill=cut))+
geom_bar(width = 1)+ coord_polar("y")
```



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