MONASH BUSINESS SCHOOL

ETC3250: Data visualisation

Week 6, class 2

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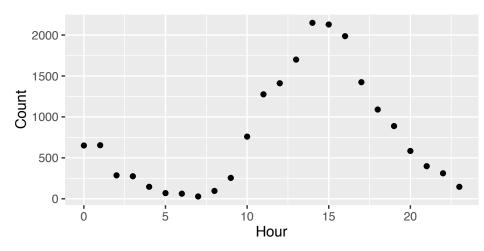


Data - Pedestrian Sensor

```
# Observations: 831.639
# Variables: 10
# $ DateTime <chr> "01-JAN-2013 00:00", "01-JAN-2013 00:00"
# $ SensorID
             <int> 4, 17, 18, 16, 2, 1, 13, 3, 9, 10, 12, 13
# $ SensorName <chr> "Town Hall (West)", "Collins Place (Sout)
# $ Counts
             <int> 2992, 979, 413, 807, 785, 651, 599, 2562
# $ Date
             <date> 2013-01-01, 2013-01-01, 2013-01-01, 2013
# $ Year
             <dbl> 2013, 2013, 2013, 2013, 2013, 2013, 2013
# $ Month
             # $ Day
             <ord> Tues, Tues, Tues, Tues, Tues, Tues, Tues, Tues</br>
# $ Hour
             <dbl> 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
# $ Time
             <dbl> 32184, 32184, 32184, 32184, 32184
```

Plotting points

```
ggplot(data=pedestrian, aes(x=Hour, y=Counts)) + geom_point()
```

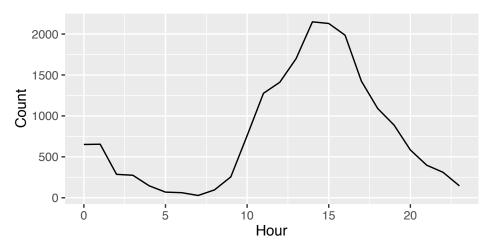


How is the data mapped to graphical elements?

- data: _____
- aesthetics: _____
- geom: _____
- transformations:

Adding lines

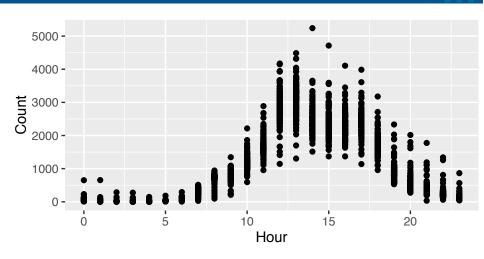
ggplot(data=pedestrian, aes(x=Hour, y=Counts)) + geom_line()



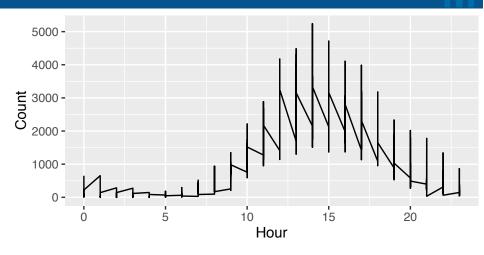
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Multiple days



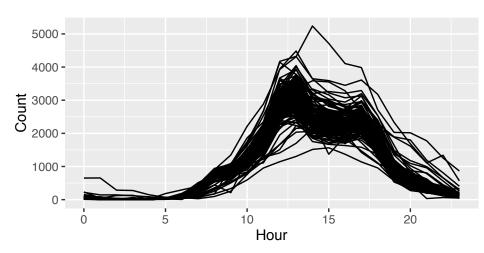
Use lines



That's not what I wanted

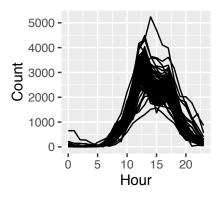
For each day grouped

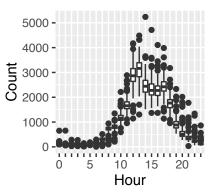
+ geom_line(aes(group=Date))



Which is better?

+ geom_line(aes(group=Date)) vs + geom_boxplot()





New example - Flying etiquette

41% Of Fliers Think You're Rude If You Recline Your Seat

\$ Is itrude to recline your seat on a plane?

\$ How often do you travel by plane?
\$ Do you ever recline your seat when you fly?
\$ How tall are you?
\$ Do you have any children under 18?
\$ In a row of three seats, who should get to use the two arm
\$ In a row of two seats, who should get to use the middle as
\$ Who should have control over the window shade?
\$ Is itrude to move to an unsold seat on a plane?
\$ Generally speaking, is it rude to say more than a few word

\$ On a 6 hour flight from NYC to LA, how many times is it as # \$ Under normal circumstances, does a person who reclines the

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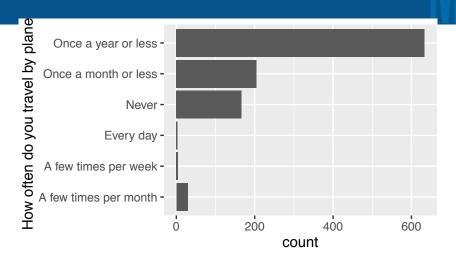
Observations: 1,040

Variables: 27
\$ RespondentID

Variables

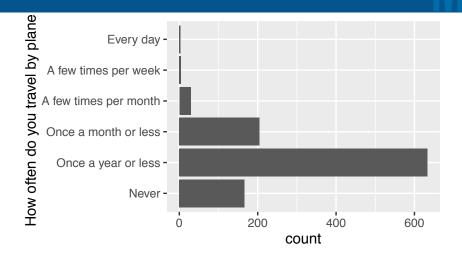
- Mix of categorical and quantitative variables.
- What mappings are appropriate?
- Area for counts of categories, side-by-side boxplots for mixed pair.

Support



Categories are not sorted

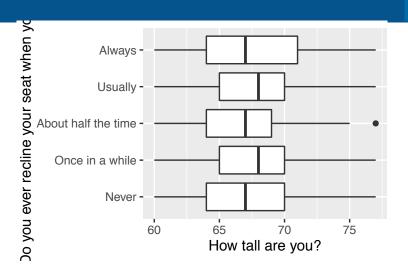
Sorted categories



Filter data

```
fly_sub <- fly %>%
  filter(`How often do you travel by plane?` %in%
    c("Once a year or less","Once a month or less")) %>%
  filter(!is.na(`Do you ever recline your seat when you fly?`)
  filter(!is.na(Age)) %>% filter(!is.na(Gender))
```

Recline by height



Cheat sheet

Take a look at the ggplot2 Cheat sheet

How many geoms are available in ggplot2? What is $geom_rug$?

What is the difference between colour and fill?

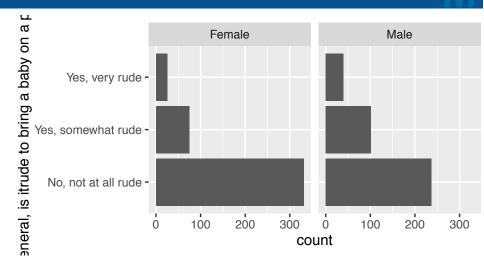
What does coord_fixed() do? What is the difference between this and using theme(aspect.ratio=...) or coord_equal()?

What are scales? How many numeric transformation scales are there?

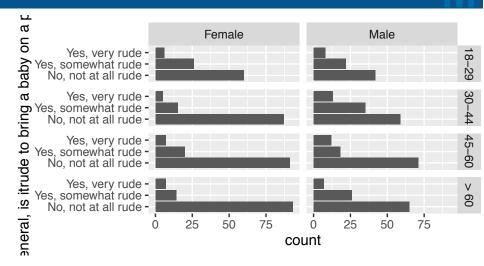
What are position adjustments? When would they be used?

- What type of plot do you need to make to explore the relationship between Do you ever recline your seat when you fly? and Is it rude to recline your seat on a plane?
- Use your cheat sheet to work out how to make it.

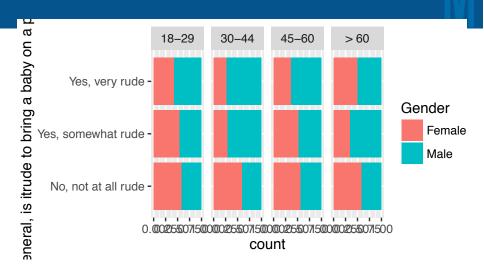
Facets



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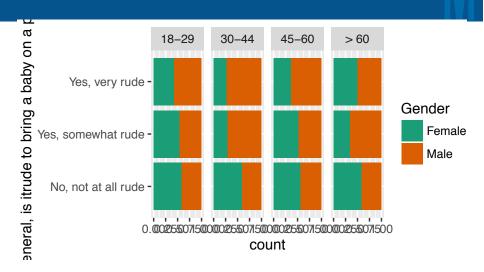


Color palettes - default



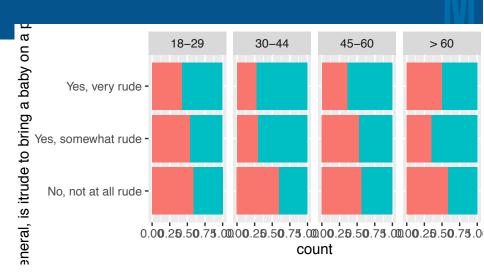
What do we learn?

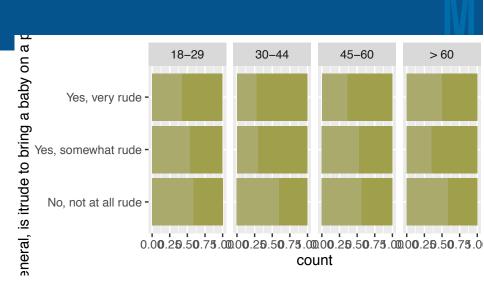
Color palettes - brewer



Color blind-proofing

```
library(scales)
library(dichromat)
clrs <- hue_pal()(3)
p + theme(legend.position = "none")
clrs <- dichromat(hue_pal()(3))
p + scale_fill_manual("", values=clrs) + theme(legend.position)</pre>
```





Perceptual principles

- Hierarchy of mappings: (first) position along an axis (last) color (Cleveland, 1984; Heer and Bostock, 2009)
- Pre-attentive: Some elements are noticed before you even realise it.
- Color: (pre-attentive) palettes qualitative, sequential, diverging.
- Proximity: Place elements for primary comparison close together.
- Change blindness: When focus is interrupted differences may not be noticed.

Hierarchy of mappings

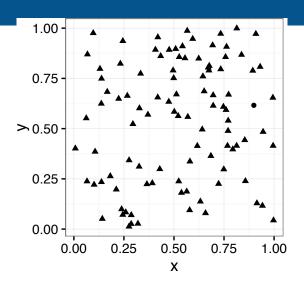
- 1 Position common scale (BEST)
- 2 Position nonaligned scale
- 3 Length, direction, angle
- 4 Area
- 5 Volume, curvature
- 6 Shading, color (WORST)

See my blog post for a re-do with crowd-sourcing Aug 3, 2016.

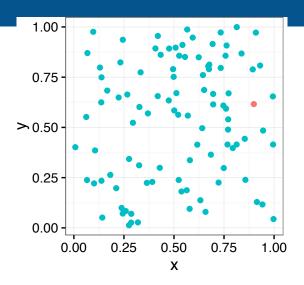
Pre-attentive

"A preattentive visual property is one which is processed in spatial memory without our conscious action. In essence it takes less than 500 milliseconds for the eye and the brain to process a preattentive property of any image." Source: Interaction Design Foundation

Can you find the odd one out?

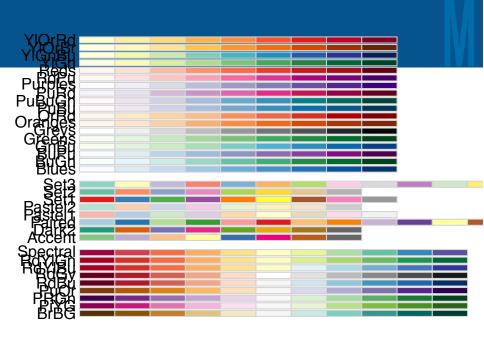


Is it easier now?



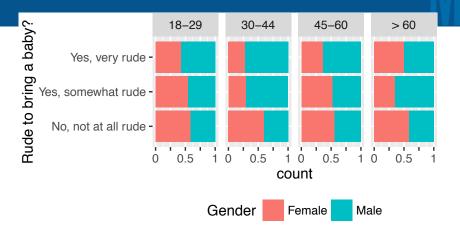
Color palettes

- Qualitative: categorical variables
- Sequential: low to high numeric values
- Diverging: negative to positive values

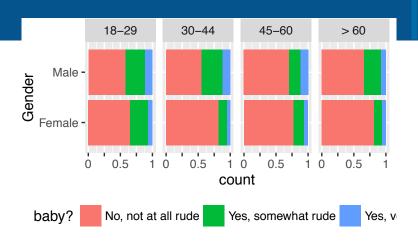


Proximity

With this arrangement we can see proportion of gender within each rudeness category, and compare these across age groups. How could we arrange this differently?

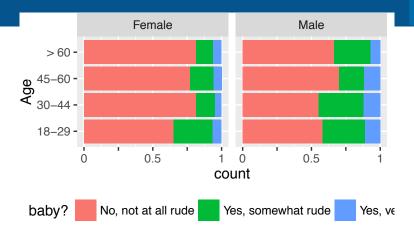


Proximity



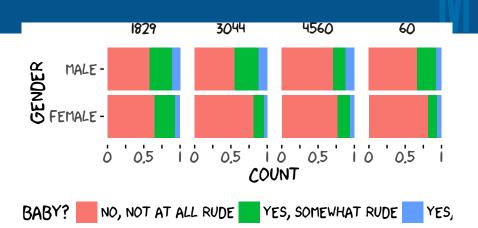
What is different about the comparison now?

Another arrangement



Themes

The ggthemes package has many different styles for the plots. Other packages such as xkcd, skittles, wes anderson, beyonce, See the vignette for instructions on installing the xkcd font.



Resources

- Cheat sheet
- ggplot2: Elegant Graphics for Data Analysis, Hadley Wickham, web site
- R Graphics Cookbook, Winston Chang
- Naomi Robbins, Creating More Effective Graphs
- Antony Unwin, Graphical Data Analysis with R

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