

Introduction to R Workshop

Session 4
Visualize Data
May 6, 2019

Goals

1. Appreciate the importance of visualization as device to generate knowledge about data
2. Learn how to use ggplot2 to create visualizations from data frames

Objectives

1. Explain the template to create any graph with ggplot2
2. Explain how aesthetic mappings relate variables to graphic markings on a plot
3. Distinguish between setting and mapping aesthetics
4. Explain how to use a geom function to add a layer to a graph
5. Distinguish between global and local ggplot2 settings

Your Turn 1

Consider the `orders` data frame. How do you think `order_time` and `result_time` are related to each other?

Pair up and discuss.



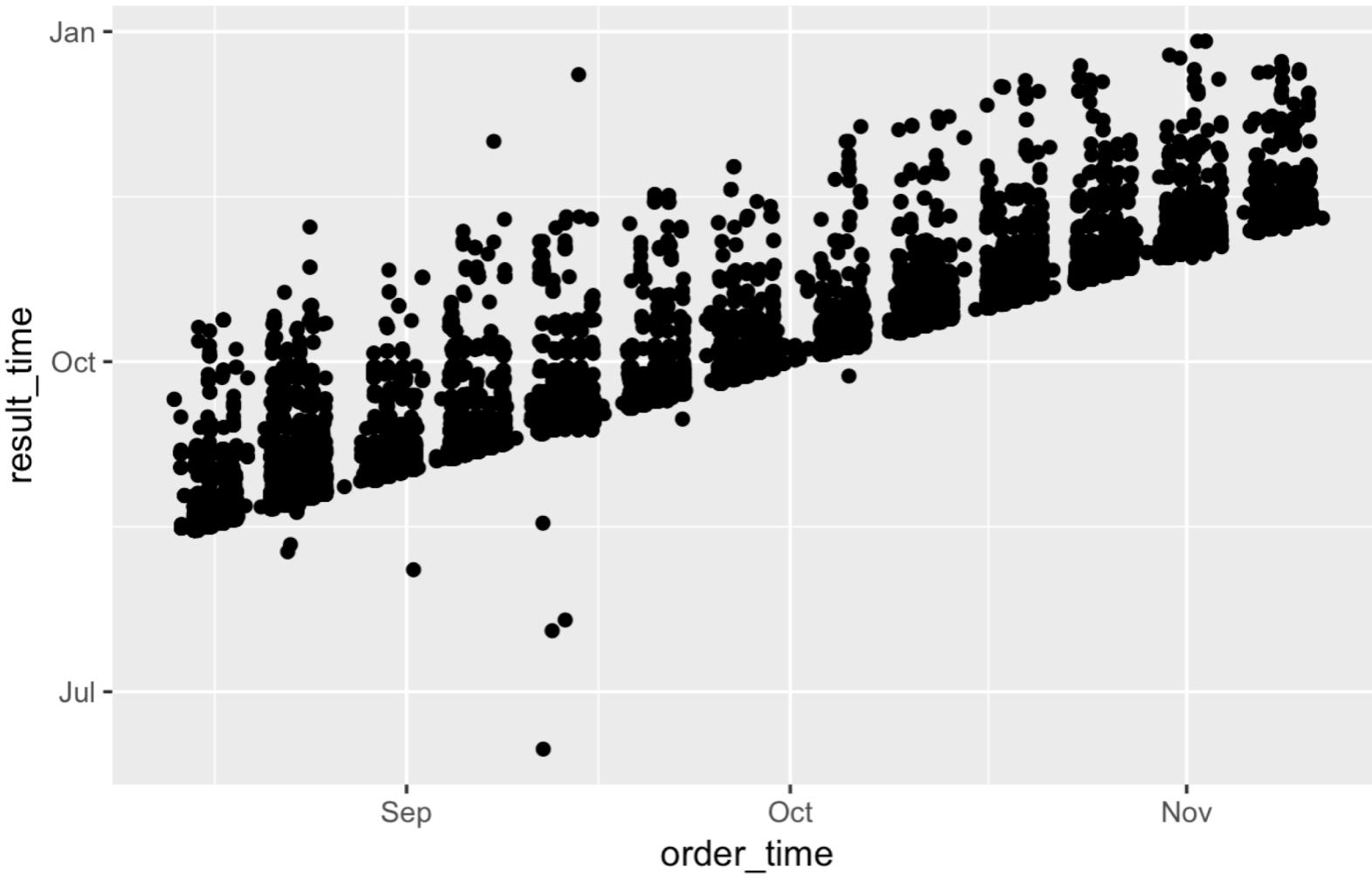
Your Turn 2

Type the following code in the console to make a graph.

Pay attention to the spelling, capitalization, and parentheses!

```
ggplot(data = orders) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time))
```



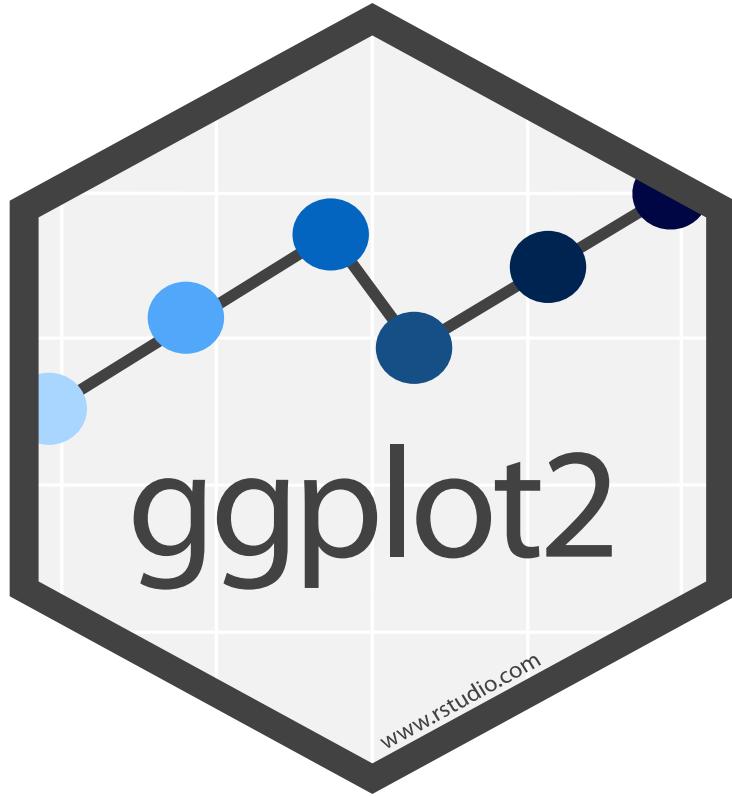


```
ggplot(data = orders) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time))
```

When you run this code, you will get what looks like an error but is actually just a message. R lets you know that some of the rows did not have data for `order_time` and/or `result_time` so those points were not plotted.

Warning message:
Removed 7152 rows containing missing values (geom_point).

```
ggplot(data = orders) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time))
```



ggplot()

initialize a plot
with ggplot()

data frame

+ sign
before new line

```
ggplot(data = orders) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time))
```

type of layer

mappings inside
aes() function

x variable

y variable

To make **any** kind of graph:

1. Choose a “tidy”
data frame

```
ggplot(data = data_frame) +  
  geom_function(mapping = aes(mappings))
```

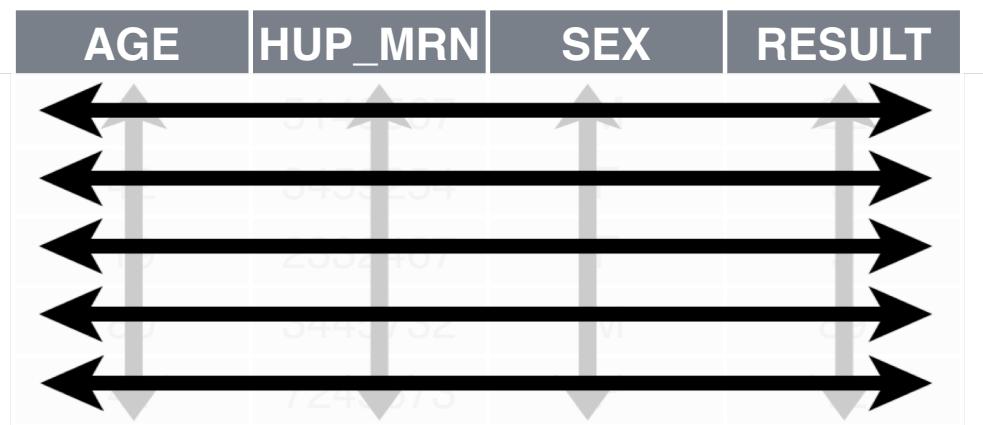
2. Pick a “**geom**”
function

3. Write aesthetic
mappings



1. Pick a “Tidy” Data Frame

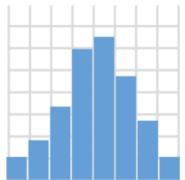
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2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4



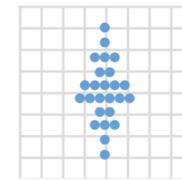
A data set is **tidy** if:

1. Each **variable** is in its own **column**
2. Each **observation** is in its own **row**
3. Each **value** is in its own **cell**

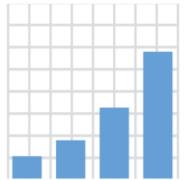
2. Choose a “Geom” Function



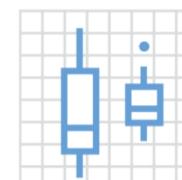
`geom_histogram()`



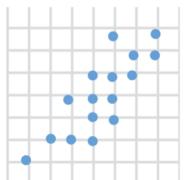
`geom_dotplot()`



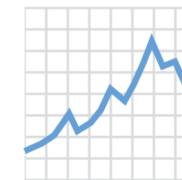
`geom_bar()`



`geom_boxplot()`



`geom_point()`



`geom_line()`



Data Visualization with ggplot2 :: CHEAT SHEET



Basics

ggplot2 is based on the **grammar of graphics**, the idea that you can build every graph from the same components: a **data set**, a **coordinate system**, and **geoms**—visual marks that represent data points.



To display values, map variables in the data to visual properties of the geom (**aesthetics**) like **size**, **color**, and **x** and **y** locations.



Complete the template below to build a graph.

```
ggplot(data = <DATA>) +
  <GEOM_FUNCTION>(mapping = aes(<MAPPINGS>),
  stat = <STAT>, position = <POSITION>) +
  <COORDINATE_FUNCTION> +
  <FACET_FUNCTION> +
  <SCALE_FUNCTION> +
  <THEME_FUNCTION>
```

required

Not required, sensible defaults supplied

ggplot(data = mpg, **aes**(x = cty, y = hwy)) Begins a plot that you finish by adding layers to. Add one geom function per layer.

aesthetic mappings **data** **geom**

qplot(x = cty, y = hwy, data = mpg, geom = "point") Creates a complete plot with given data, geom, and mappings. Supplies many useful defaults.

Geoms

Use a geom function to represent data points, use the geom's aesthetic properties to represent variables. Each function returns a layer.

GRAPHICAL PRIMITIVES

```
a <- ggplot(economics, aes(date, unemploy))
b <- ggplot(seals, aes(x = long, y = lat))
```

- a + geom_blank()**
(Useful for expanding limits)
- b + geom_curve(aes(yend = lat + 1, xend = long + 1, curvature = z))** - x, yend, y, yend, alpha, angle, color, curvature, linetype, size
- a + geom_path(lineend = "butt", linejoin = "round", linemiter = 1)**
x, y, alpha, color, group, linetype, size
- a + geom_polygon(aes(group = group))**
x, y, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, size
- b + geom_rect(aes(xmin = long, ymin = lat, xmax = long + 1, ymax = lat + 1))** - xmax, xmin, ymax, ymin, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size
- a + geom_ribbon(aes(ymax = unemploy - 900, ymin = unemploy + 900))** - x, ymax, ymin, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, size

LINE SEGMENTS

common aesthetics: x, y, alpha, color, linetype, size

- b + geom_abline(aes(intercept = 0, slope = 1))**
- b + geom_hline(aes(intercept = lat))**
- b + geom_vline(aes(intercept = long))**
- b + geom_segment(aes(yend = lat + 1, xend = long + 1))**
- b + geom_spoke(aes(angle = 1:1155, radius = 1))**

ONE VARIABLE continuous

```
c <- ggplot(mpg, aes(hwy)); c2 <- ggplot(mpg)
```

- c + geom_area(stat = "bin")**
x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size
- c + geom_density(kernel = "gaussian")**
x, y, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, size, weight
- c + geom_dotplot()**
x, y, alpha, color, fill
- c + geom_freqpoly()**
x, y, alpha, color, group,

TWO VARIABLES

continuous x , continuous y

```
e <- ggplot(mpg, aes(cty, hwy))
e + geom_label(aes(label = cty), nudge_x = 1, nudge_y = 1, check_overlap = TRUE)
```

e + geom_jitter(height = 2, width = 2)
x, y, alpha, color, fill, shape, size

e + geom_point(), x, y, alpha, color, fill, shape, size, stroke

e + geom_quantile(), x, y, alpha, color, group, linetype, size, weight

e + geom_rug(sides = "bl"), x, y, alpha, color, linetype, size

e + geom_smooth(method = lm), x, y, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, size, weight

e + geom_text(aes(label = cty), nudge_x = 1, nudge_y = 1, check_overlap = TRUE), x, y, label, alpha, angle, color, family, fontface, hjust, lineheight, size, vjust

discrete x , continuous y

```
f <- ggplot(mpg, aes(class, hwy))
```

f + geom_col(), x, y, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, size

f + geom_boxplot(), x, y, lower, middle, upper, ymax, ymin, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, shape, size, weight

f + geom_dotplot(binaxis = "y", stackdir = "center"), x, y, alpha, color, fill, group

f + geom_violin(scale = "area"), x, y, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, size, weight

continuous bivariate distribution

```
h <- ggplot(diamonds, aes(carat, price))
```

h + geom_bin2d(binwidth = c(0.25, 500))
x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

h + geom_density2d()
x, y, alpha, colour, group, linetype, size

h + geom_hex()
x, y, alpha, colour, fill, size

continuous function

```
i <- ggplot(economics, aes(date, unemploy))
```

i + geom_area()
x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size

i + geom_line()
x, y, alpha, color, group, linetype, size

i + geom_step(direction = "hv")
x, y, alpha, color, group, linetype, size

visualizing error

```
df <- data.frame(grp = c("A", "B"), fit = 4:5, se = 1:2)
j <- ggplot(df, aes(grp, fit, ymin = fit - se, ymax = fit + se))
```

j + geom_crossbar(fatten = 2)
x, y, ymax, ymin, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, size

j + geom_errorbar(), x, y, max, ymin, alpha, color, group, linetype, size, width (also **geom_errorbarh()**)

j + geom_linerange()
x, ymin, ymax, alpha, color, group, linetype, size

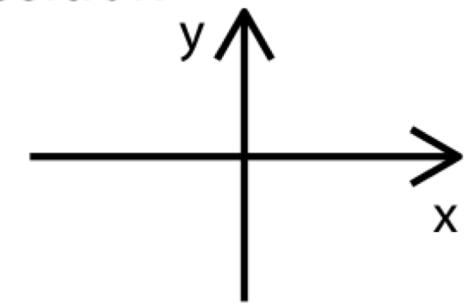
j + geom_pointrange()
x, y, ymin, ymax, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, shape, size

discrete x , discrete y

```
data <- data.frame(murder = USArrests$Murder,
state = tolower(rownames(USArests)))
map <- map_data("state")
```

Aesthetics

position



shape



size



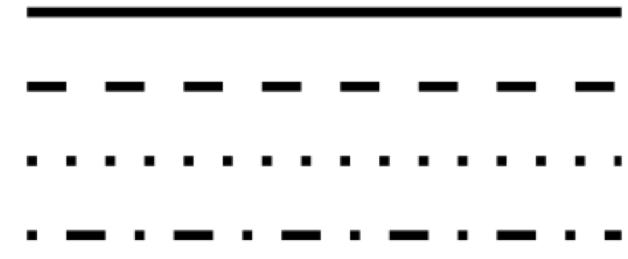
color



line width



line type



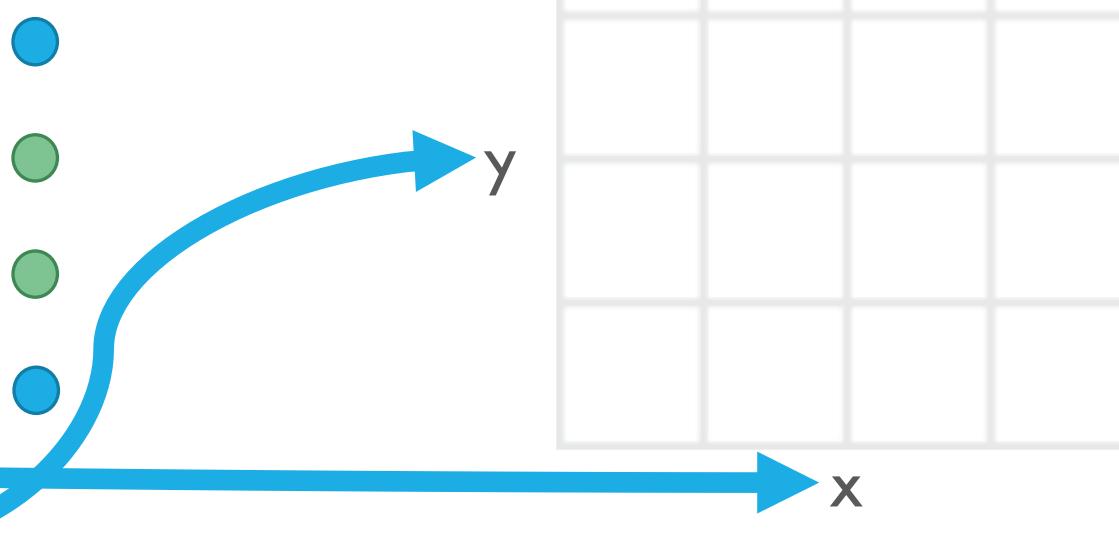
3. Write Aesthetic Mappings

```
aes(x = a, y = b, color = c)
```

Data frame

a	b	c
1	3	M
2	1	F
3	3	F
2	2	M

Graph



Your Turn 3

Consider the 6 aesthetics shown just previously. All aesthetics can be used for discrete variables, but only some can be used for continuous variables.

Which aesthetics can be used only for discrete variables?

- A. Color
- B. Line type
- C. Shape
- D. B + C
- E. A + B + C



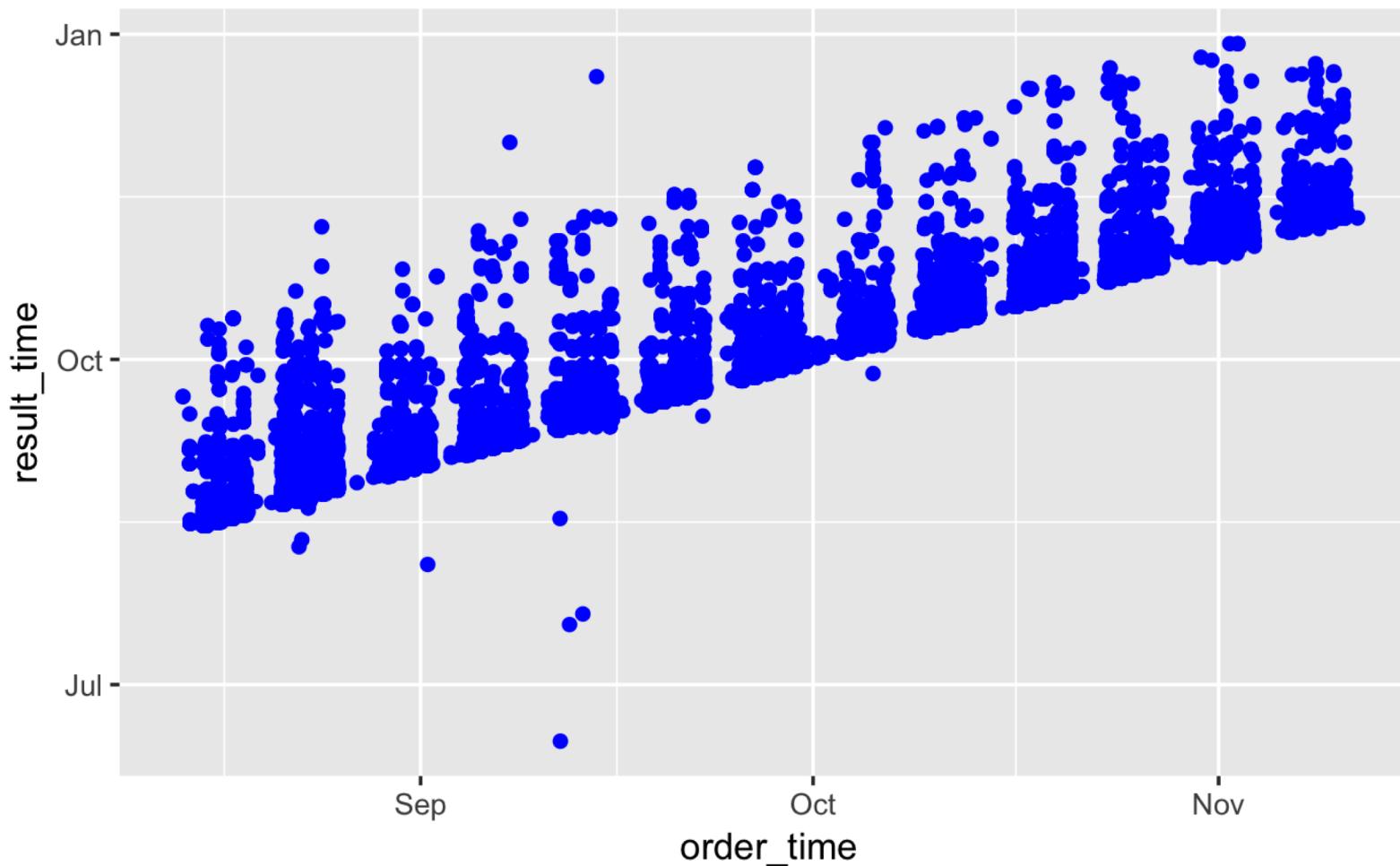
Your Turn 4

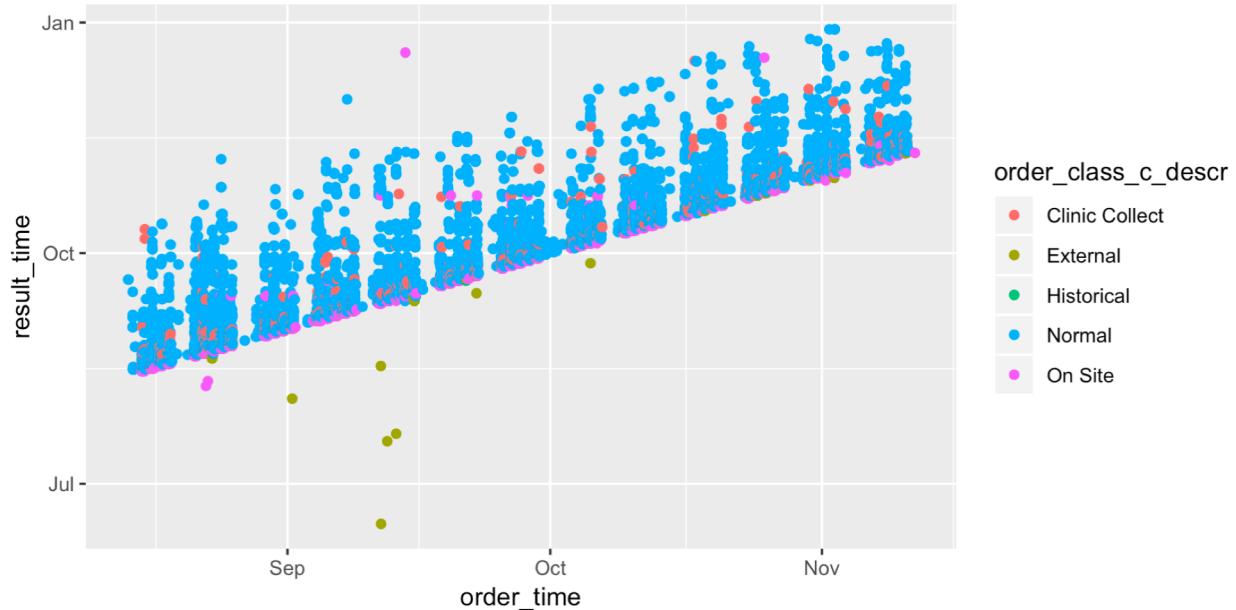
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Setting vs **Mapping** Aesthetics

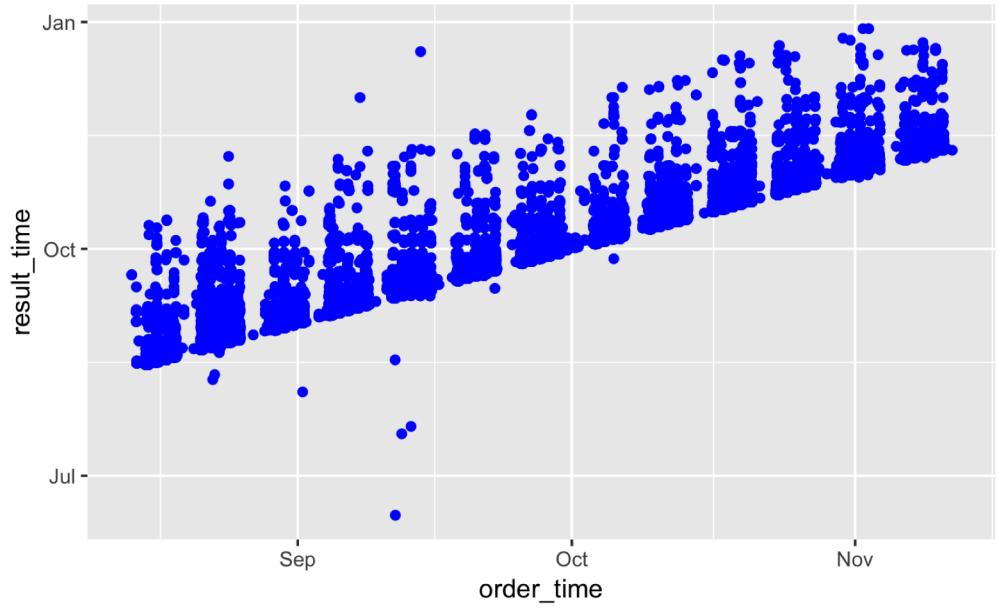
How would you make this plot?





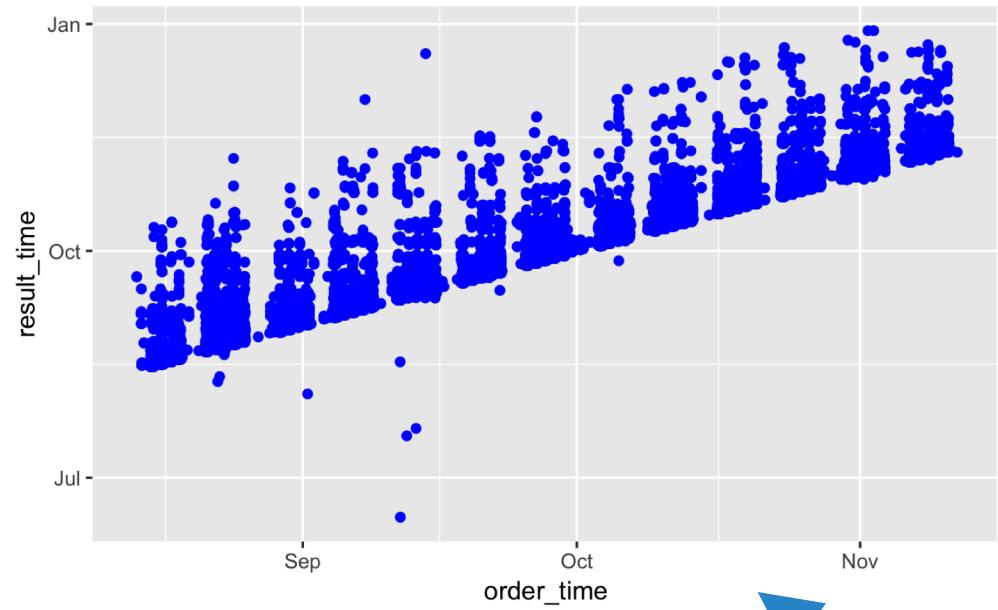
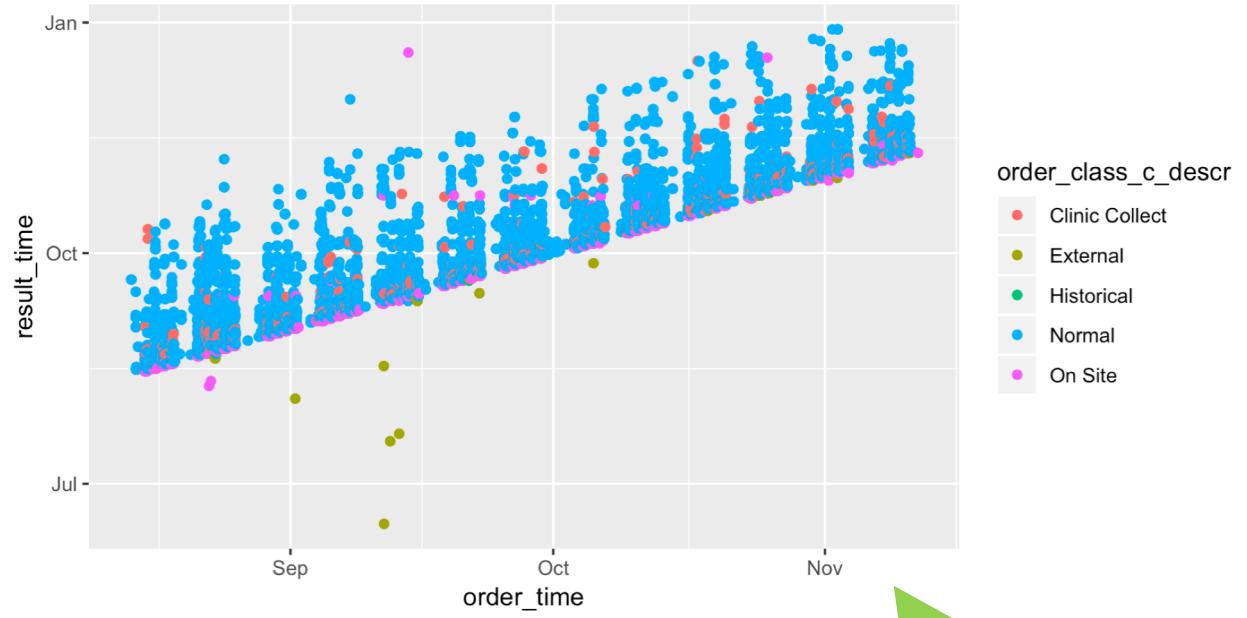
Inside of `aes()`:
map an aesthetic
to a variable

```
ggplot(data = orders) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time, color = order_class_c_descr))
```



Outside of `aes()`:
set an aesthetic to
a **value**

```
ggplot(data = orders) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time), color = "blue")
```

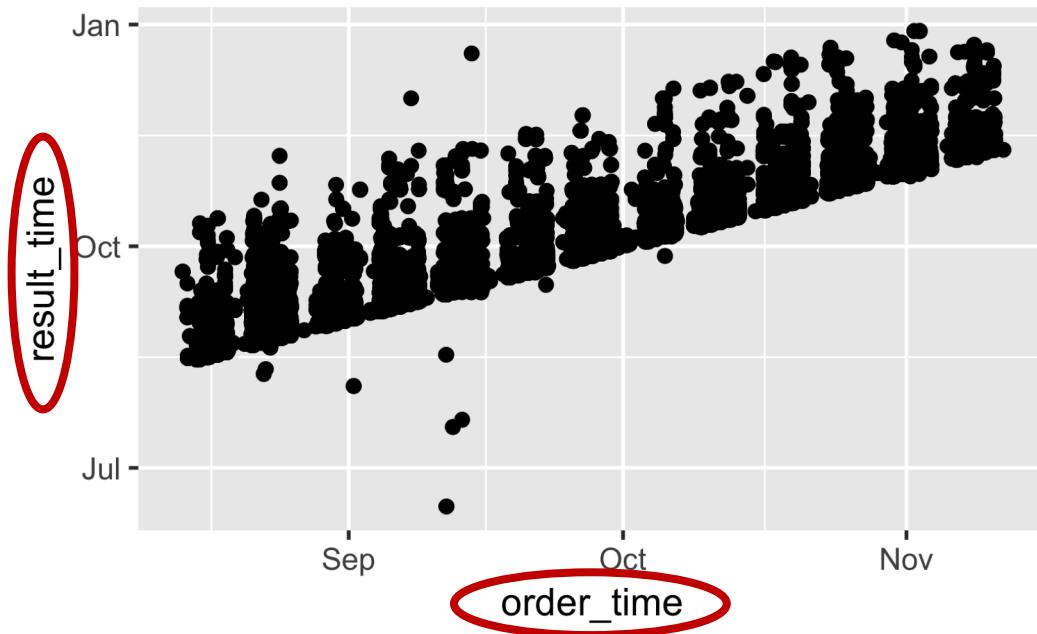


```
ggplot(data = orders) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time, color = order_class_c_descr))
```

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ggplot(data = orders) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time), color = "blue")
```

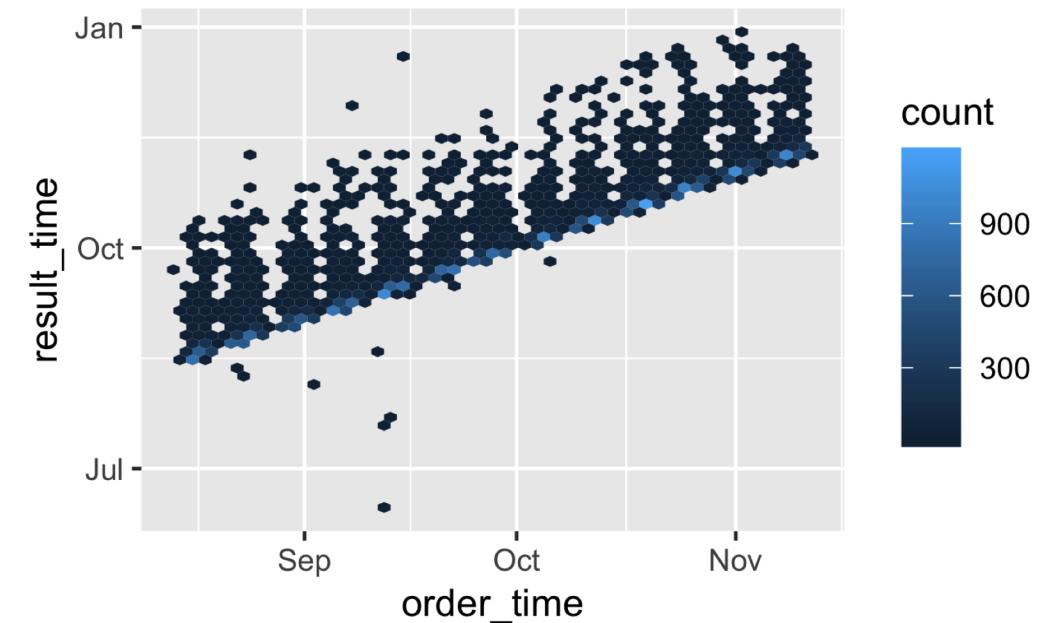
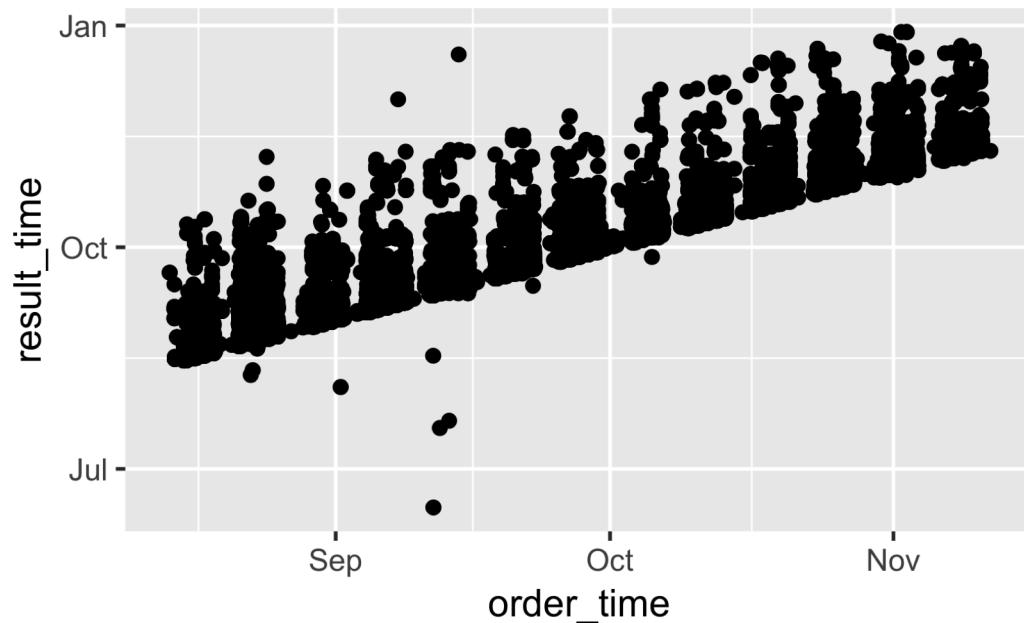
Geom Functions

How are these plots similar?



Same: x axis, y axis, data

How are these plots different?



Different **geometric object** (“geom”) used to represent the data

```
ggplot(data = data_frame) +  
  geom_function(mapping = aes(mappings))
```

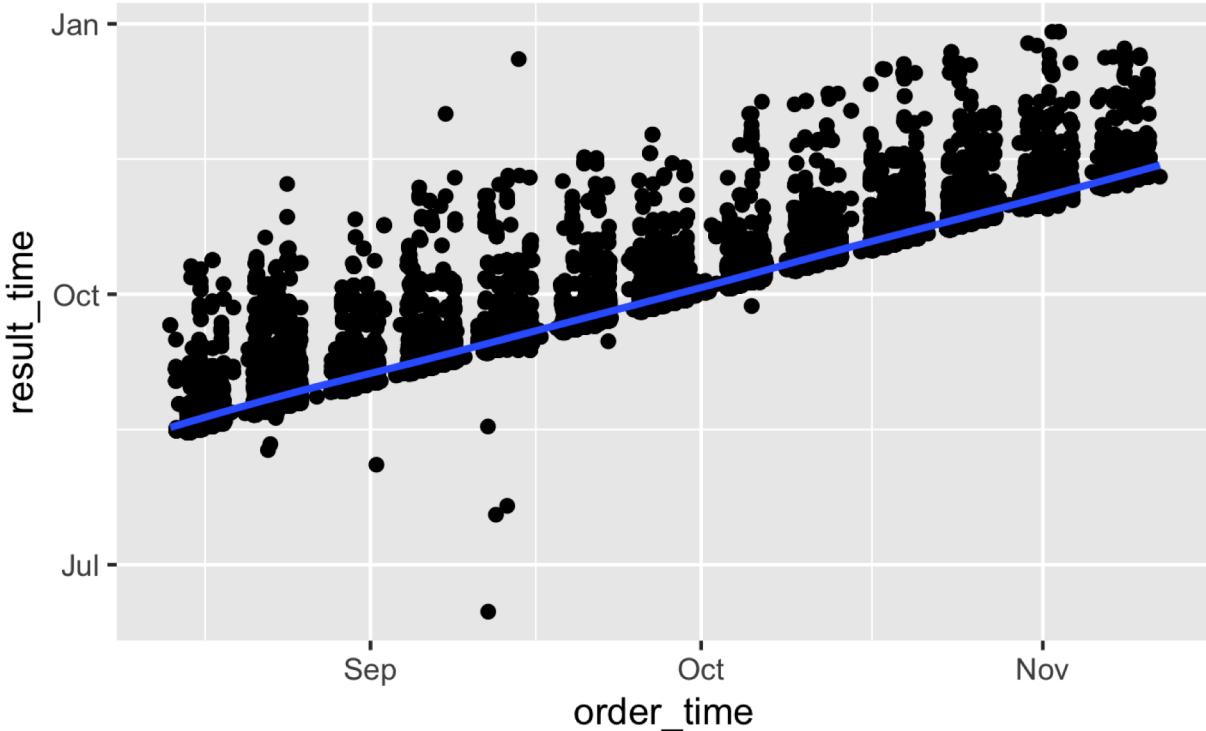


Your Turn 5

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Global vs Local Settings



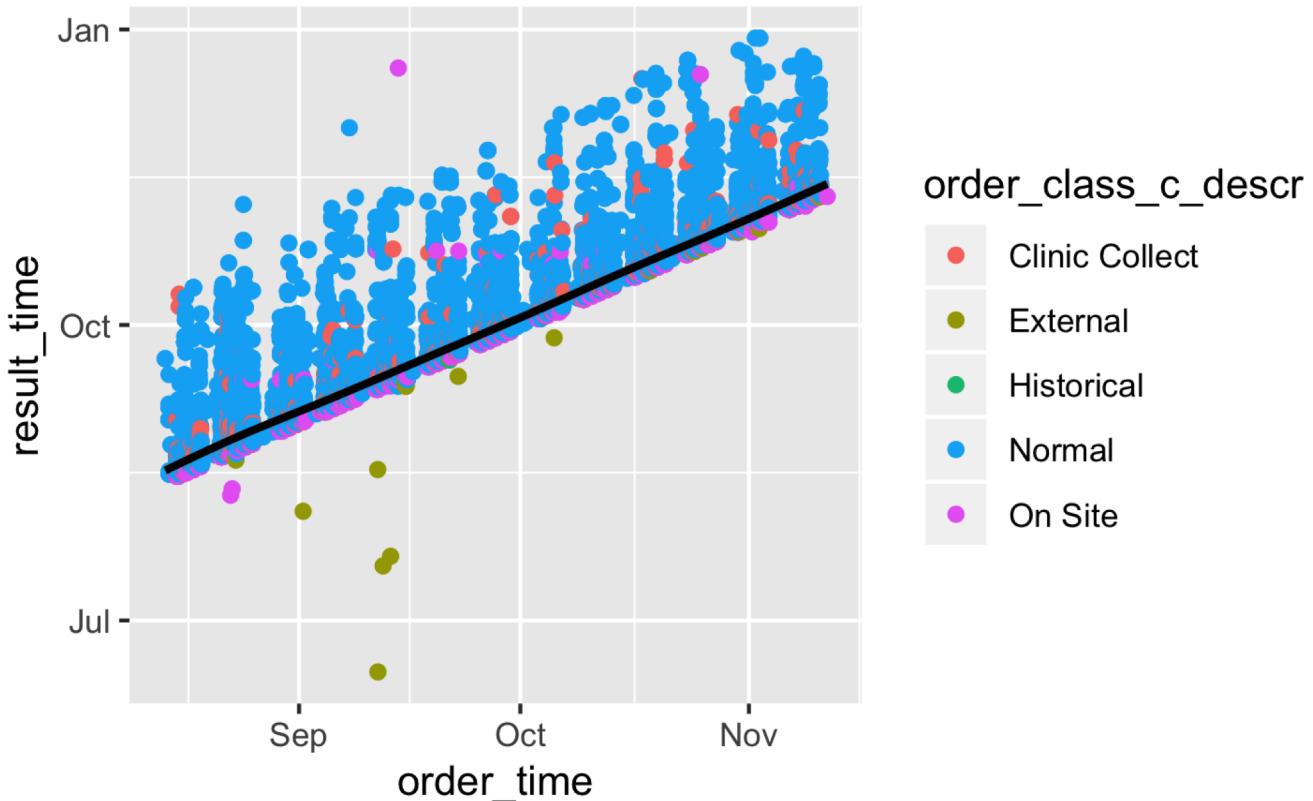
Inside of `geom_` function:
apply **locally** to only the
current layer

Inside of `ggplot()`:
apply **globally** to
every layer

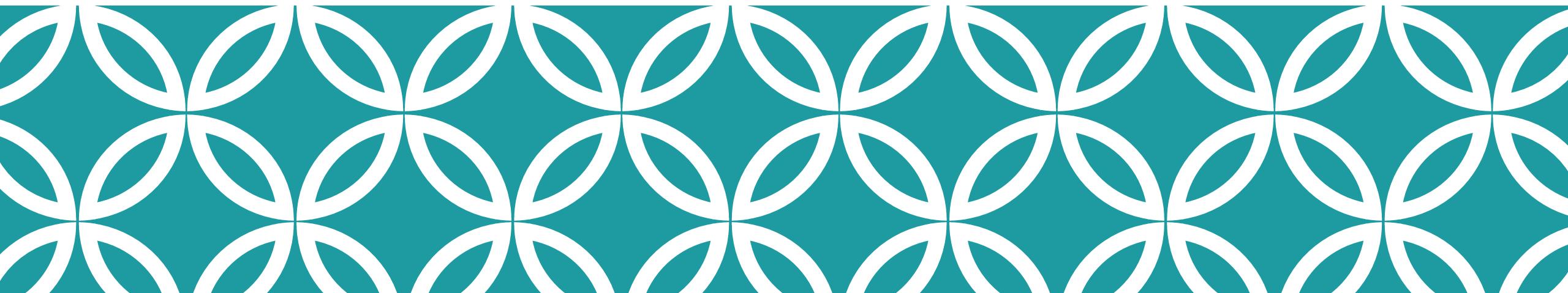
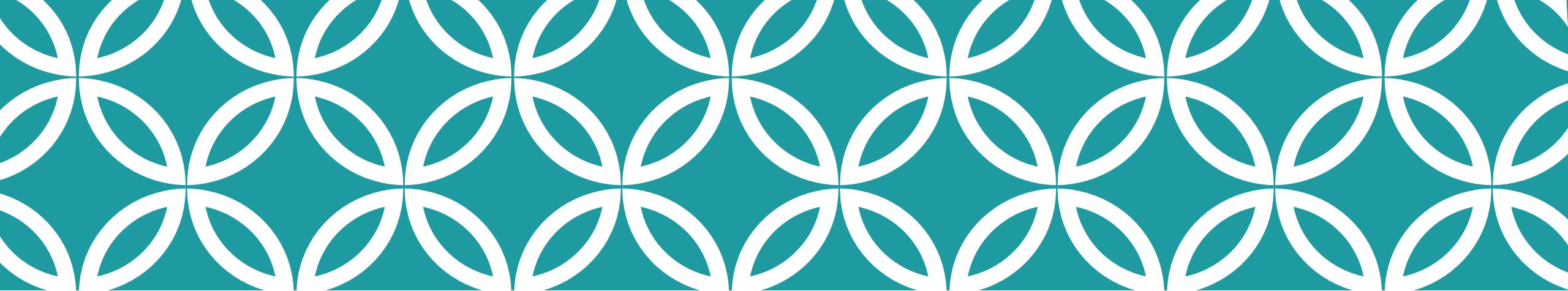
```
ggplot(data = orders) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time)) +  
  geom_smooth(mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time))
```

```
ggplot(data = orders, mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_smooth()
```

How would you make this plot?



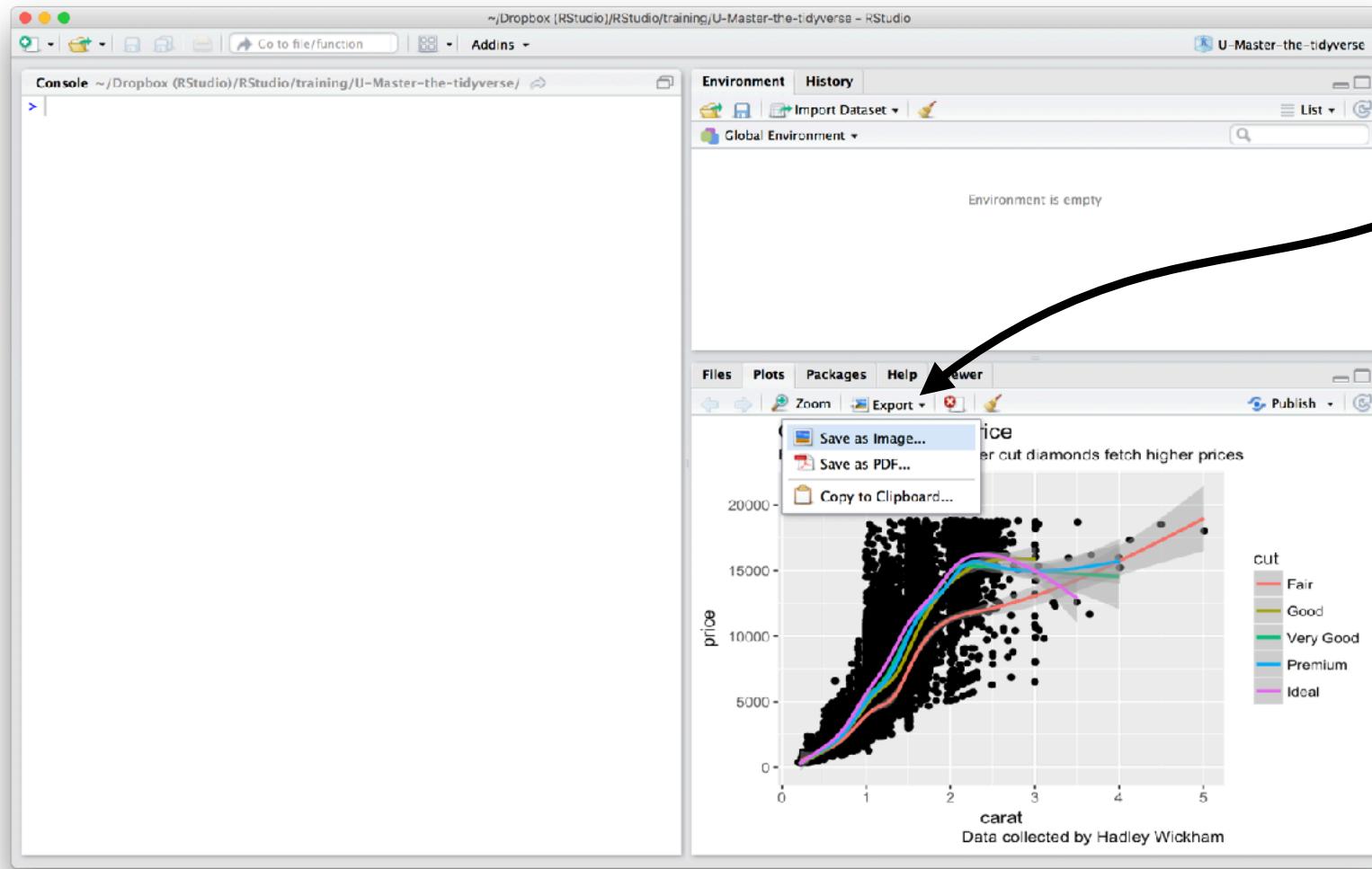
```
ggplot(data = orders, mapping = aes(x = order_time, y = result_time)) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(color = order_class_c_descr)) +  
  geom_smooth(color = "black")
```



What Else?

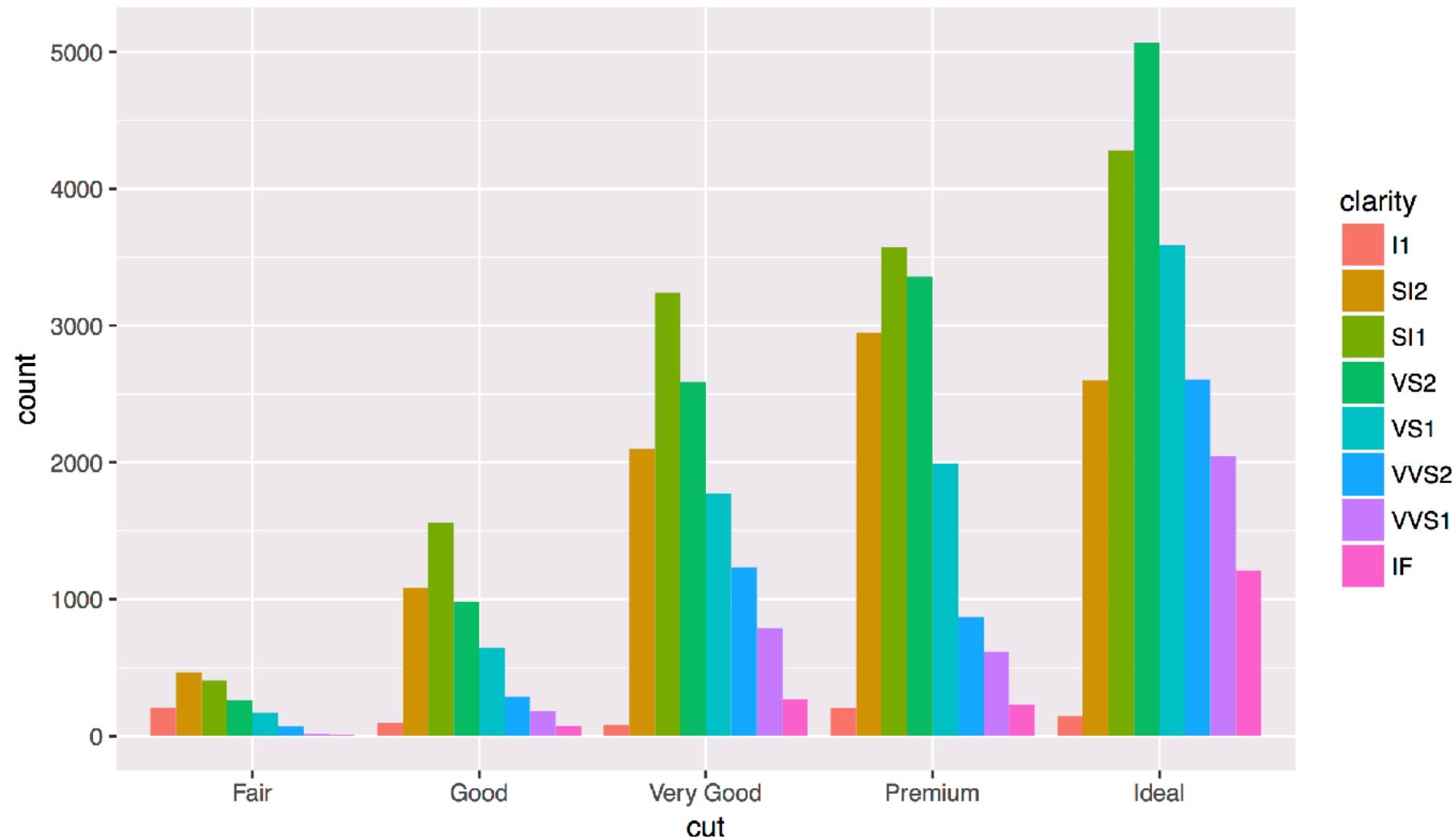
Manually saving plots

Save plots manually with the export menu



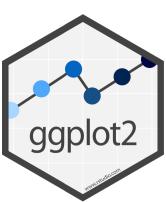
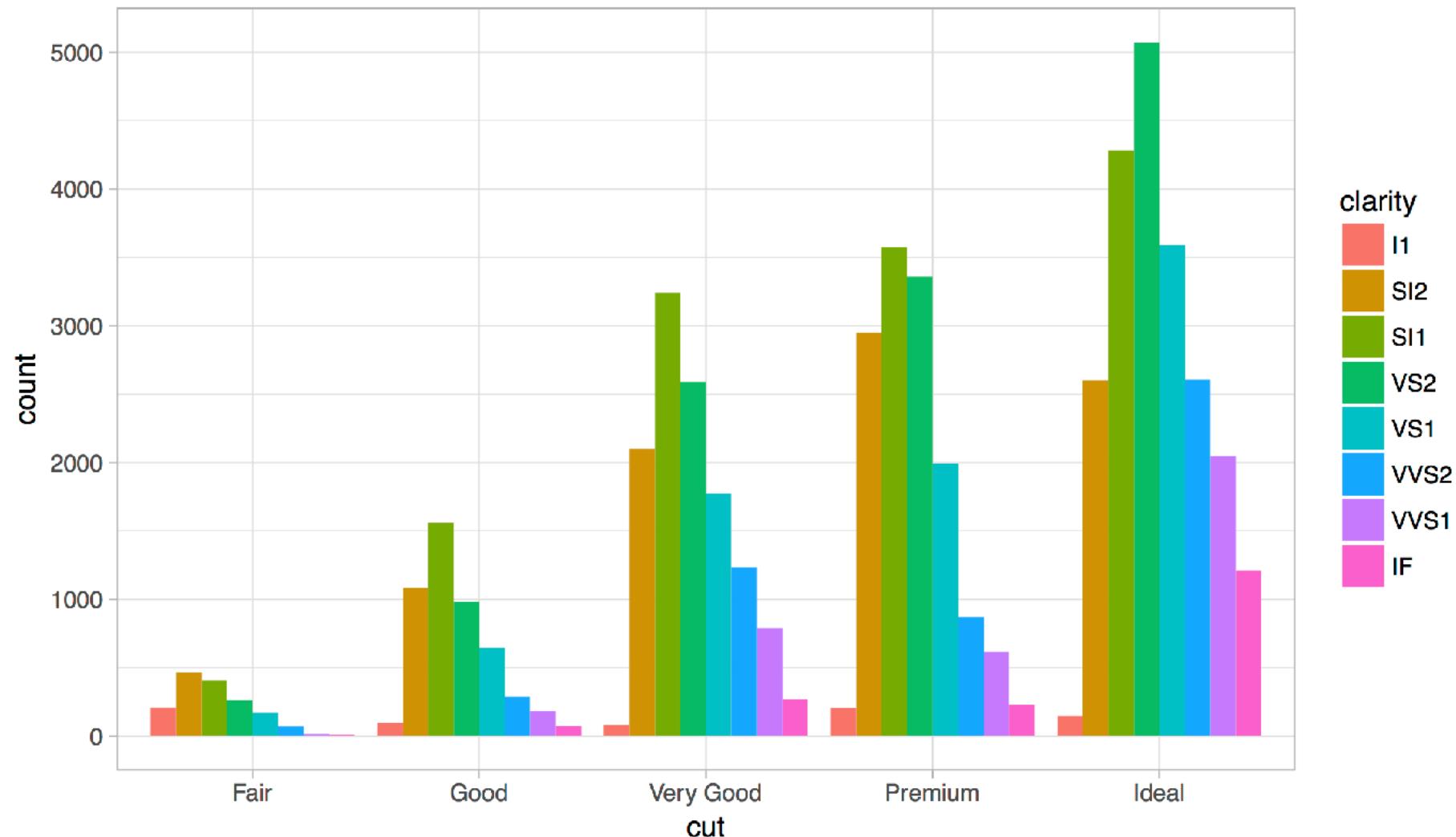
Position Adjustments

How overlapping objects are arranged



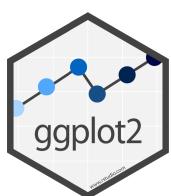
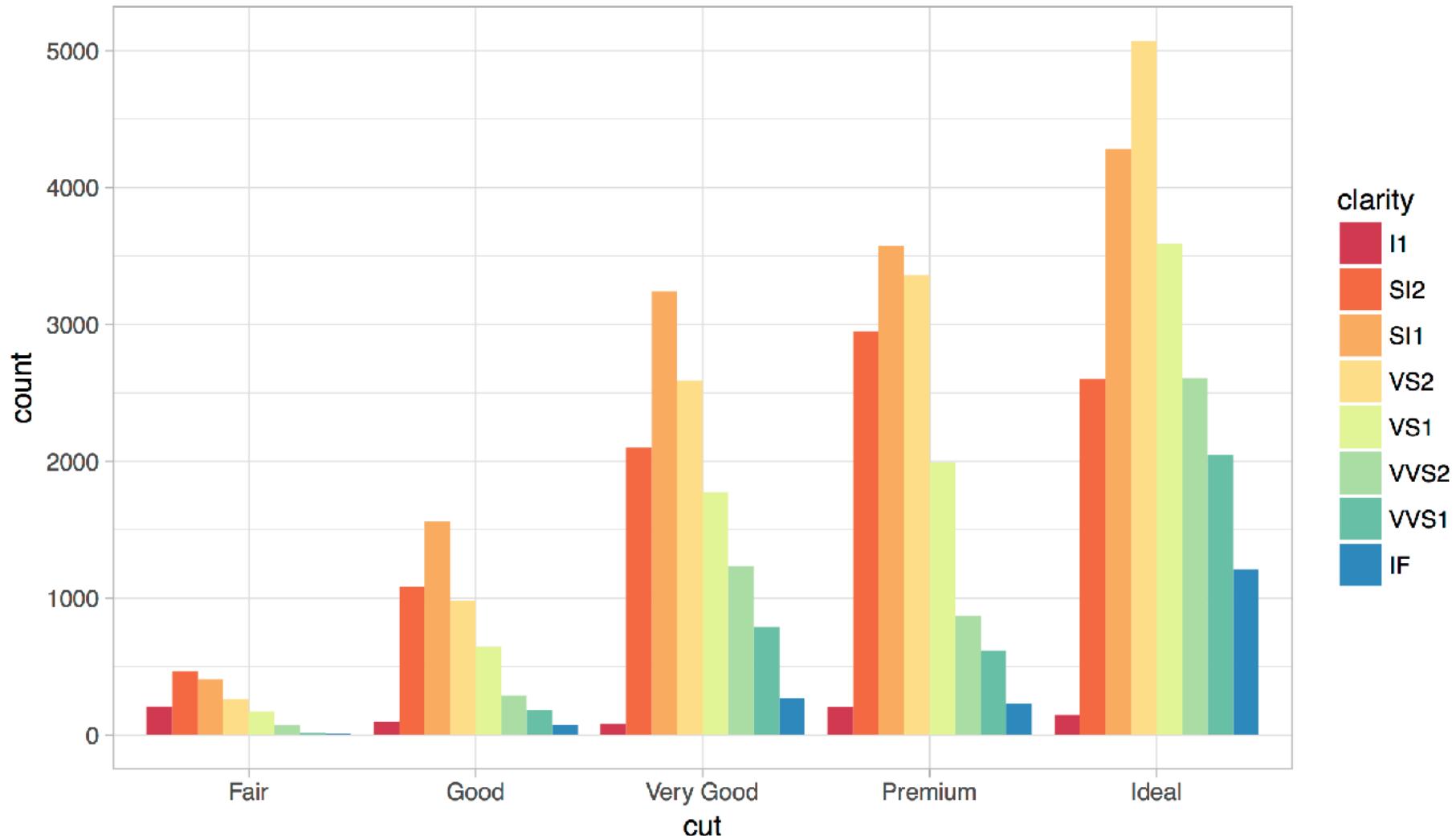
Themes

Visual appearance of non-data elements



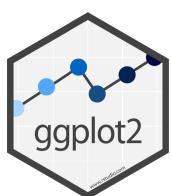
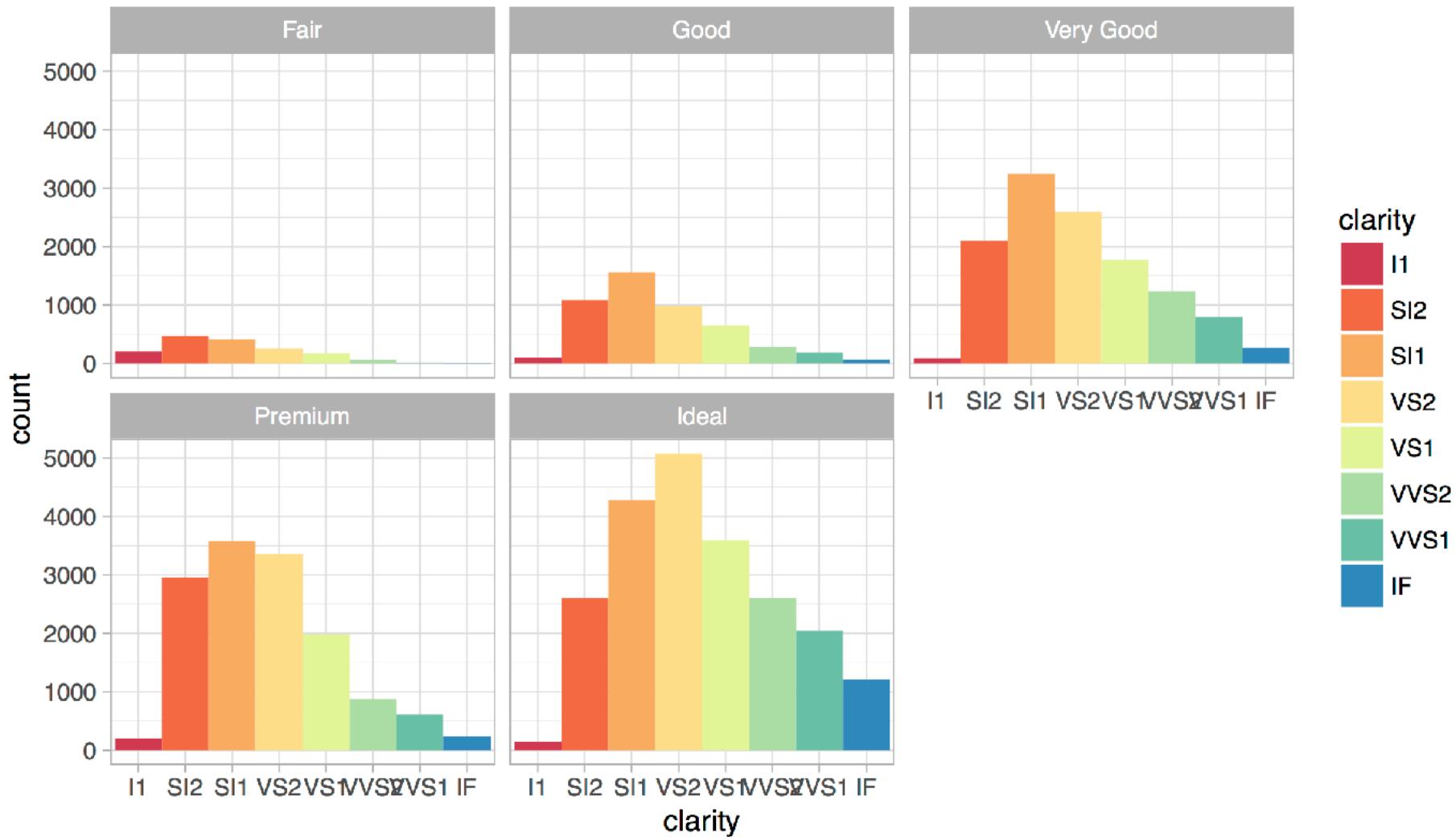
Scales

Customize color scales, other mappings

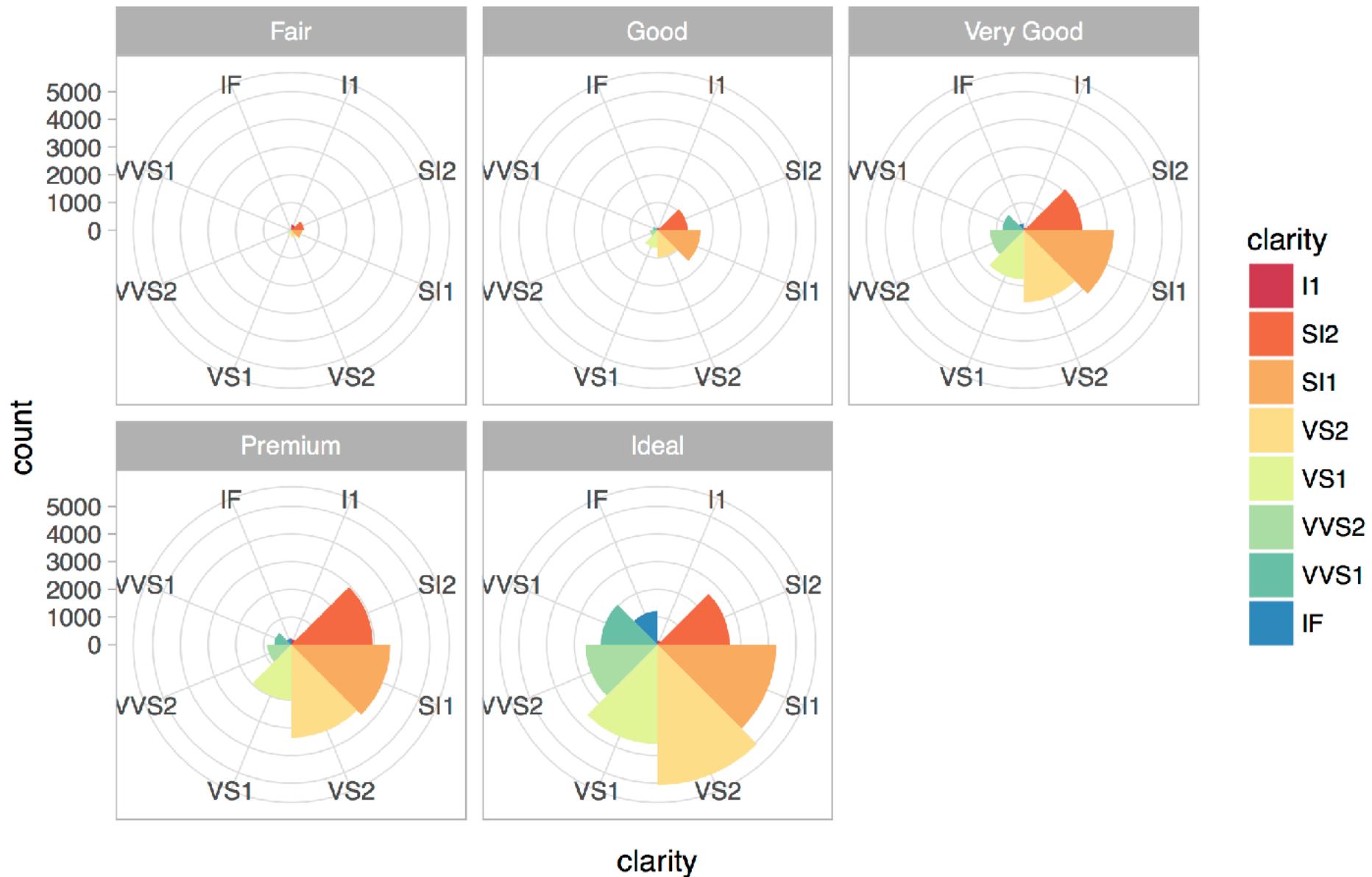


Facets

Subplots that display subsets of the data.



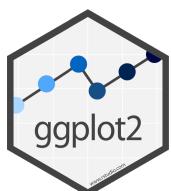
Coordinate systems



Titles and captions

Diamonds data

The data set is skewed towards ideal cut diamonds



```
ggplot(data = data_frame) +  
  geom_function(mapping = aes(mappings)) +  
  theme_function +  
  scale_function +  
  facet_function +  
  coordinate_function +  
  ...
```

Required

Optional