

Data Visualization with R

Workshop Part 2



Getting your plots
to talk back

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Applying interactivity and animation

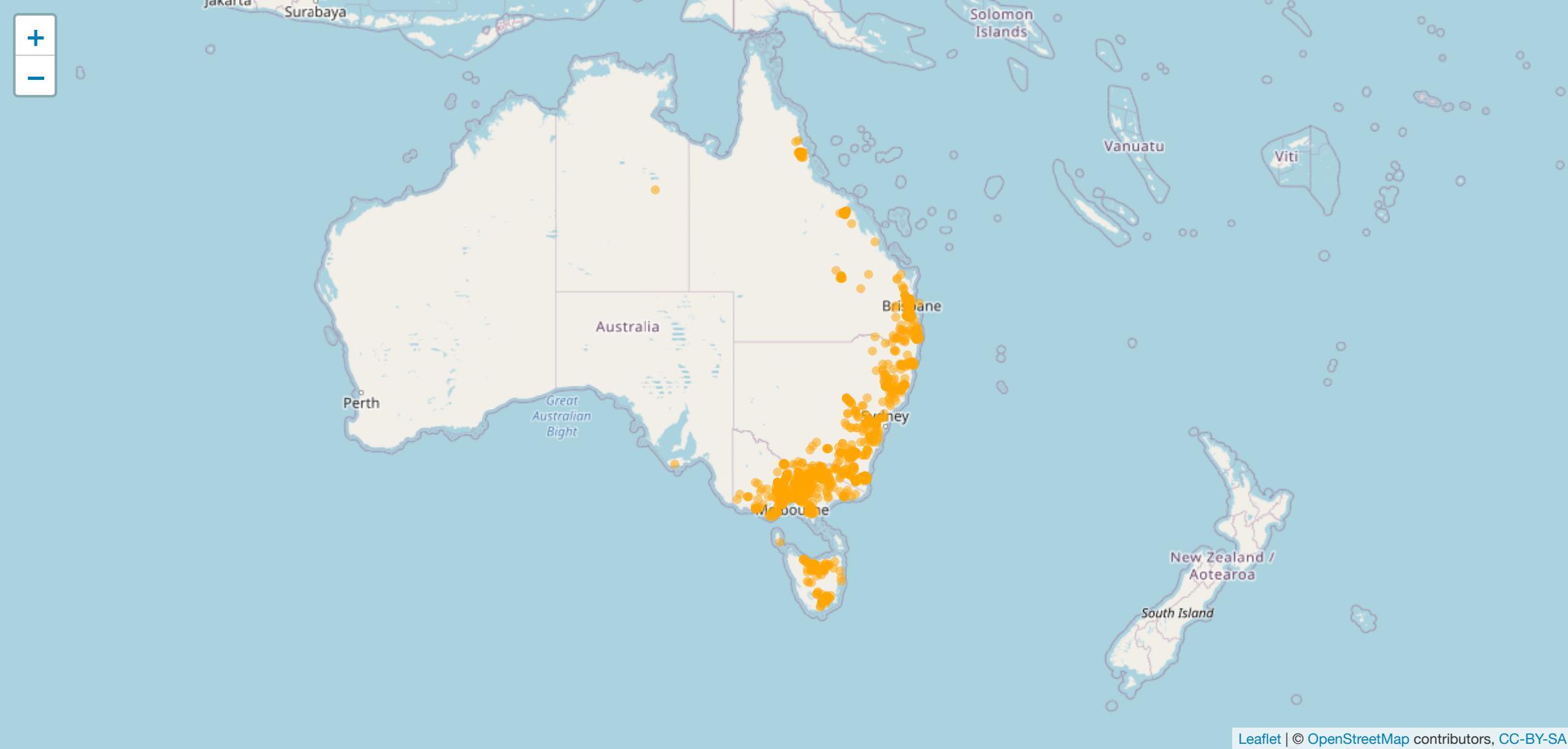
The purpose of interactivity is to display more than can be achieved with persistent plot elements, and to invite the reader to engage with the plot.

- **Mouseover** allows additional information to be displayed, but developer keeps control. Beware that it is easy to forget what was just displayed, so keeping some elements persistent, maybe faint, can be useful for the reader.
- **Pan/zoom** allows re-focusing attention
- **Selection** allows focusing attention
- **Linking** connects elements from multiple plots

Interactive maps

Leaflet

```
load(here::here("data/platypus.rda"))
platypus <- platypus %>%
  filter(!is.na(Latitude), !is.na(Longitude), !is.na(eventDate)) %>%
  filter(year(eventDate) > 2018)
platypus %>%
  leaflet() %>%
  addTiles() %>%
  addCircleMarkers(
    radius = 1, opacity = 0.5, color = "orange", label = ~eventDate,
    lat = ~Latitude, lng = ~Longitude)
```



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Reflection on leaflet

Advantages

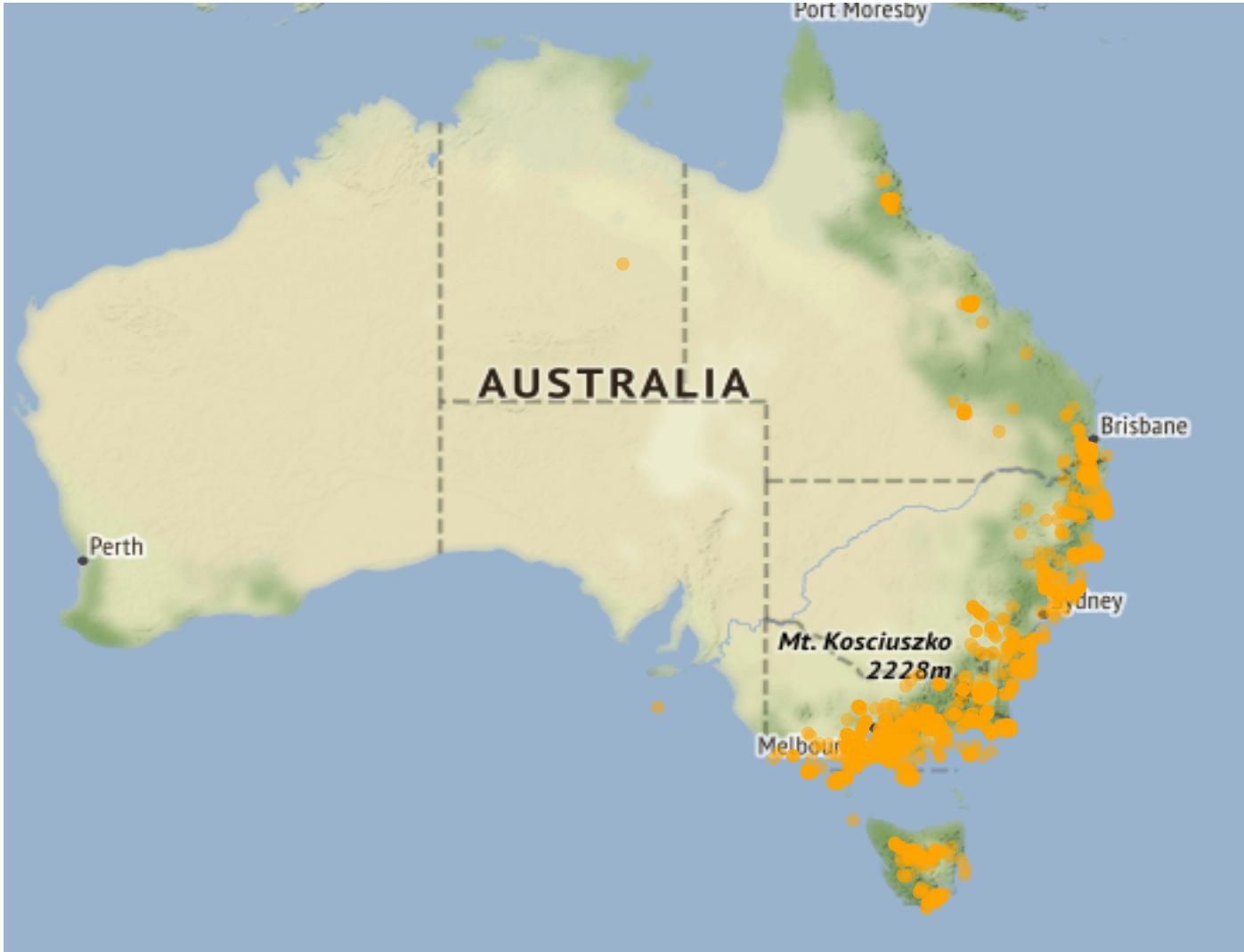
fast, scalable, reliable
many map formats

Disadvantages

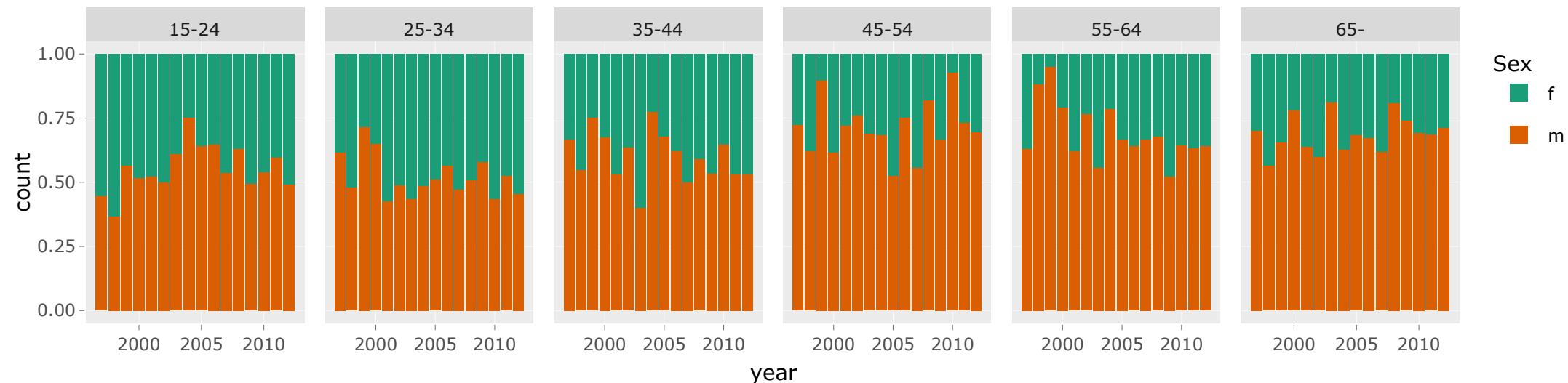
specialist syntax
limited capabilities

Building on ggplot with plotly

```
load(here::here("data/oz_map.rda"))
p <- ggmap(oz_map) +
  geom_point(data = platypus,
             aes(x = Longitude, y = Latitude, label=eventDate),
             alpha = 0.5, colour = "orange") +
  theme_map()
ggplotly(p, tooltip = "label")
```



```
p1 <- ggplot(tb_oz, aes(x = year, y = count, fill = sex)) +  
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", position = "fill") +  
  facet_wrap(~age_group, ncol = 6) +  
  scale_fill_brewer(name = "Sex", palette = "Dark2")  
ggplotly(p1)
```



Modifying plotly

plotly uses elements of crosstalk to provide additional interactivity, such as linked highlighting. It only runs in a shiny environment, eg RStudio plot window, so copy the block of code into your R window.

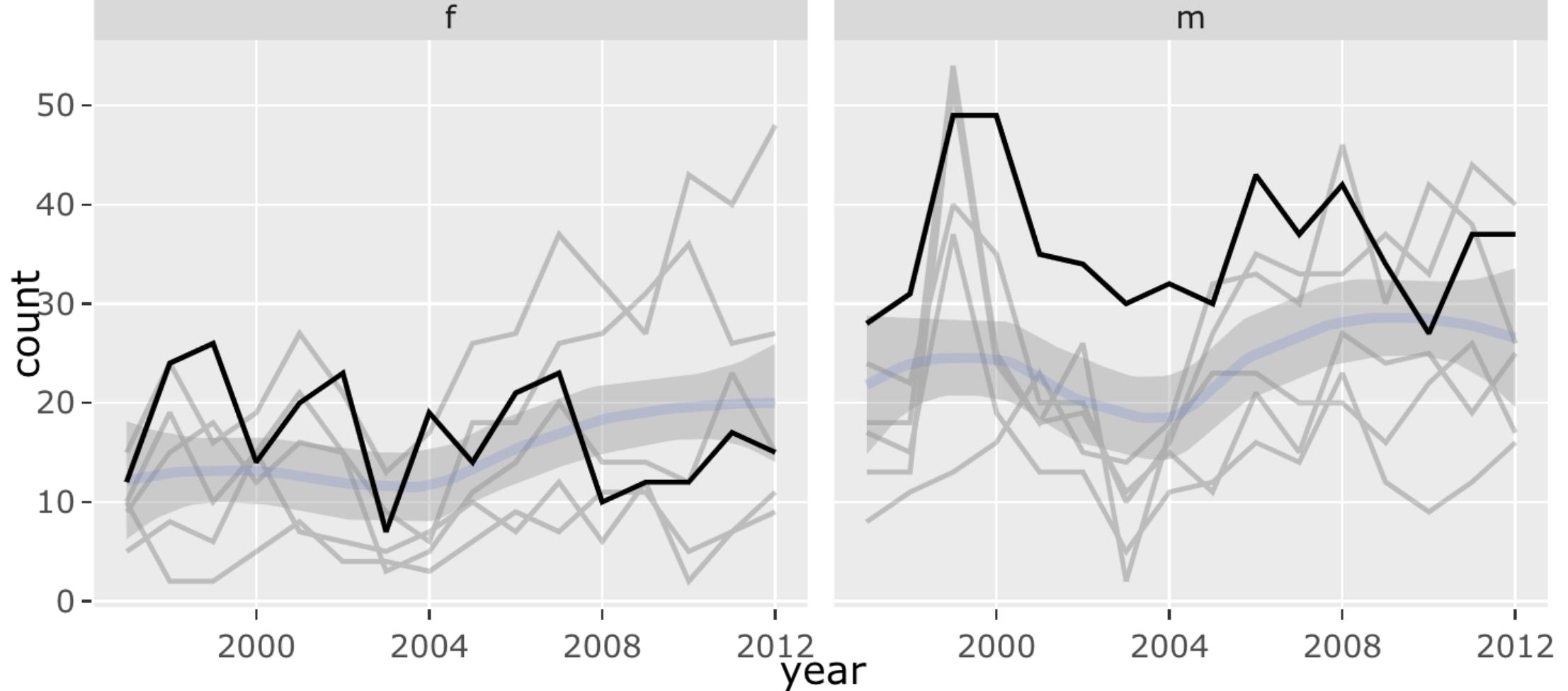
```
tb_action <- highlight_key(tb_oz, ~age_group)

p2 <- ggplot(tb_action, aes(x = year, y = count)) +
  geom_line(aes(group = age_group)) +
  geom_smooth() +
  facet_wrap(~sex)

gg <- ggplotly(p2, height = 300, width = 600) %>%
  layout(title = "Click on a line to highlight an age group")

highlight(gg)
```

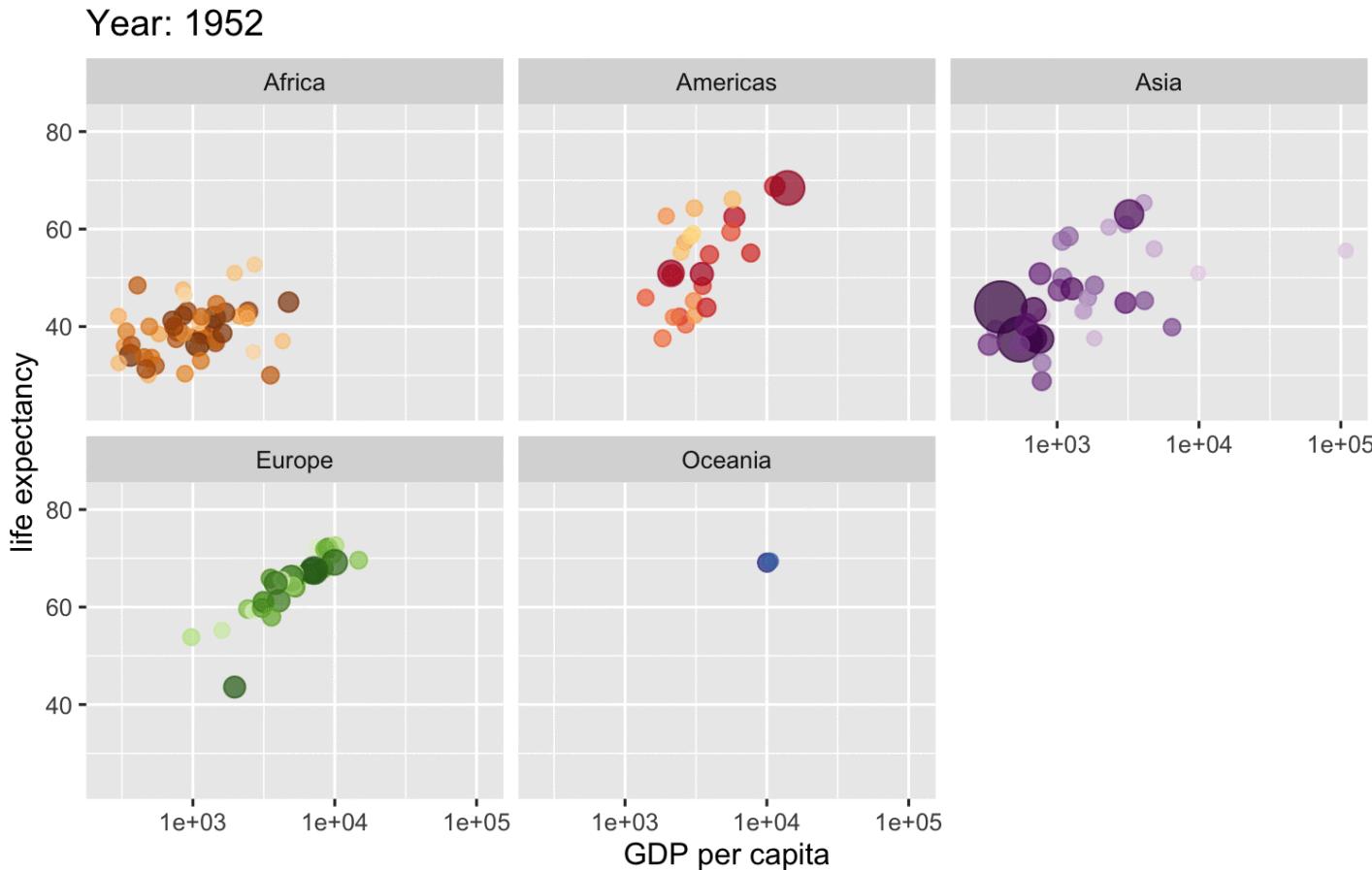
Click on a line to highlight an age group



Animations

- `ganimate` (Lin-Pederson) allows to make and save animations (also `plotly` can too)
- Animations are different from interactive graphics in that the viewer does not have any control
- useful for different important stages of a visualization (e.g. time) and to keep track of how different visualizations are related
- makes slides come alive in talks.

An example animation



Countries are colored manually by `country_colors` (hue shows continent, saturation is individual country)

How does gganimate work?

Start with a `ggplot2` specification

Add layers with graphical primitives (geoms)

Add formatting specifications

Add animation specifications

A simple example

- thanks to Mitch O'Hara Wild for the [example](#)

1. Start by passing the data to ggplot

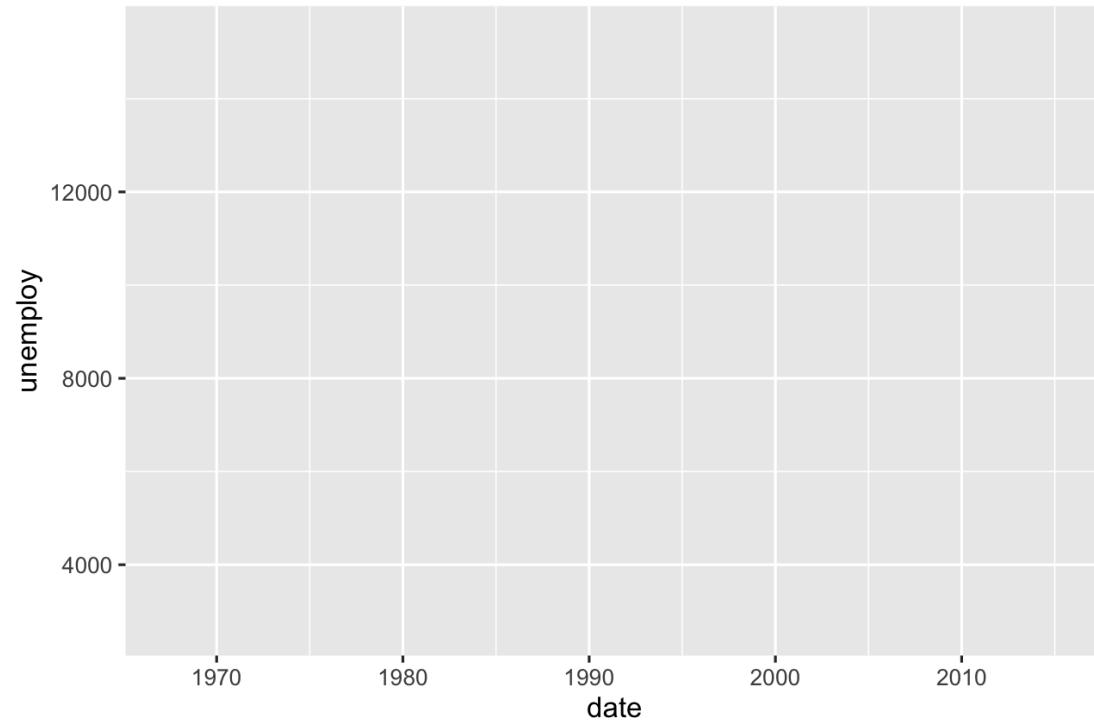
```
ggplot(economics)
```

A simple example

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2. add the mapping

```
ggplot(economics) +  
  aes(date, unemploy)
```

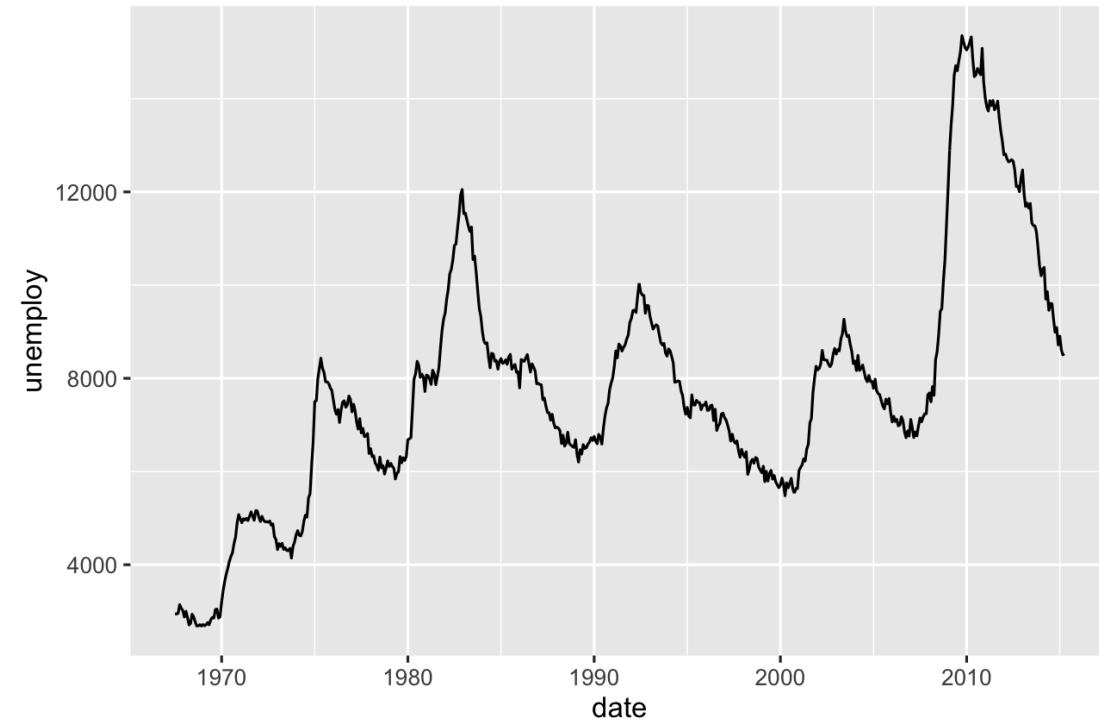


A simple example

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3.add a graphical primitive, let's do a line

```
ggplot(economics) +  
  aes(date, unemploy) +  
  geom_line()
```

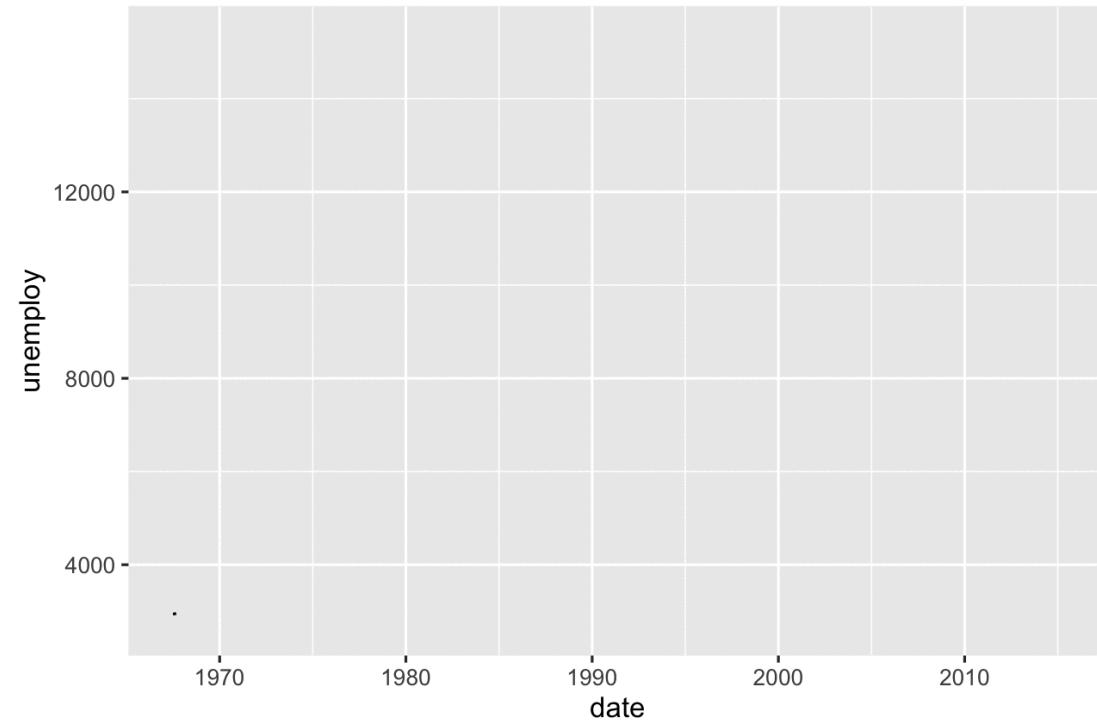


A simple example

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4. Just one extra line turns this into an animation!

```
ggplot(economics) +  
  aes(date, unemploy) +  
  geom_line() +  
  transition_reveal(date)
```



Controlling an animation

We control plot movement with (a grammar of animation):

- Transitions: `transition_*`() define how the data should be spread out and how it relates to itself across time.
- Views: `view_*`() defines how the positional scales should change along the animation.
- Shadows: `shadow_*`() defines how data from other points in time should be presented in the given point in time.
- Entrances/Exits: `enter_*`() and `exit_*`() define how new data should appear and how old data should disappear during the course of the animation.
- Easing: `ease_aes`() defines how different aesthetics should be eased during transitions.

```
ggplot(gapminder, aes(gdpPercap, lifeExp, size = pop, colour  
geom_point(alpha = 0.7) +  
scale_colour_manual(values = country_colors, guide=FALSE) +  
scale_size("Population size", range = c(2, 12), breaks=c(1*  
scale_x_log10() +  
facet_wrap(~continent) +  
theme(legend.position = "none") +  
# Here comes the ganimate specific bits  
labs(title = 'Year: {frame_time}',  
     x = 'GDP per capita',  
     y = 'life expectancy') +  
ganimate::transition_time(year) +  
ganimate::ease_aes('linear')
```

A not-so-simple example, the datasaurus dozen

Again, we first pass in the dataset to ggplot

```
library(datasauRus)
ggplot(datasaurus_dozen)
```

What's in the data?

Show 10 entries

Search:

	dataset	x	y
1	dino	55.3846	97.1795
2	dino	51.5385	96.0256
3	dino	46.1538	94.4872
4	dino	42.8205	91.4103
5	dino	40.7692	88.3333
6	dino	38.7179	84.8718
7	dino	35.641	79.8718
8	dino	33.0769	77.5641
9	dino	28.9744	74.4872
10	dino	26.1538	71.4103

Showing 1 to 10 of 1,846 entries

Previous

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...

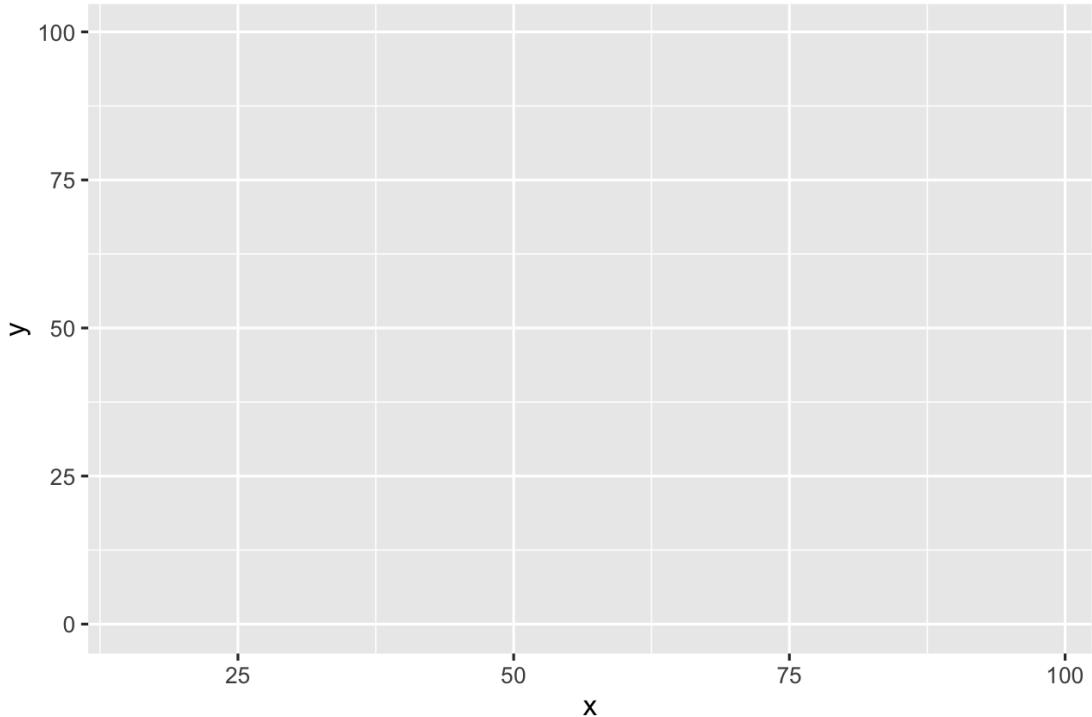
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For each dataset we have x and y values, in addition we can map dataset to color

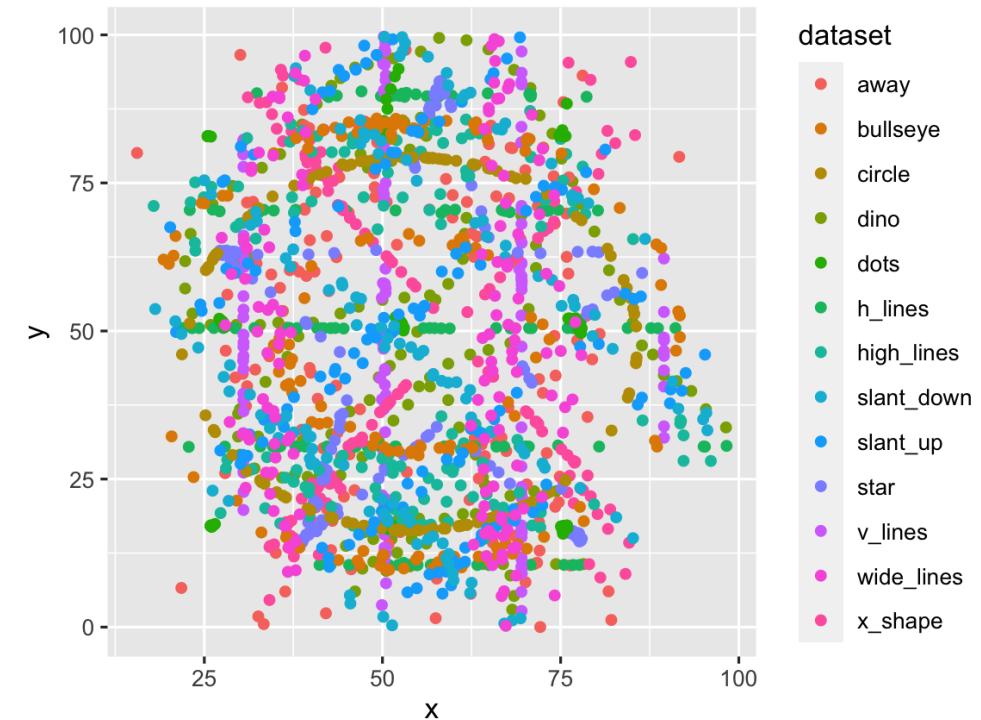
```
ggplot(datasaurus_dozen) +  
  aes(x, y, color = dataset)
```



A not-so-simple example, the datasaurus dozen

Trying a simple scatter plot first, but there is too much information

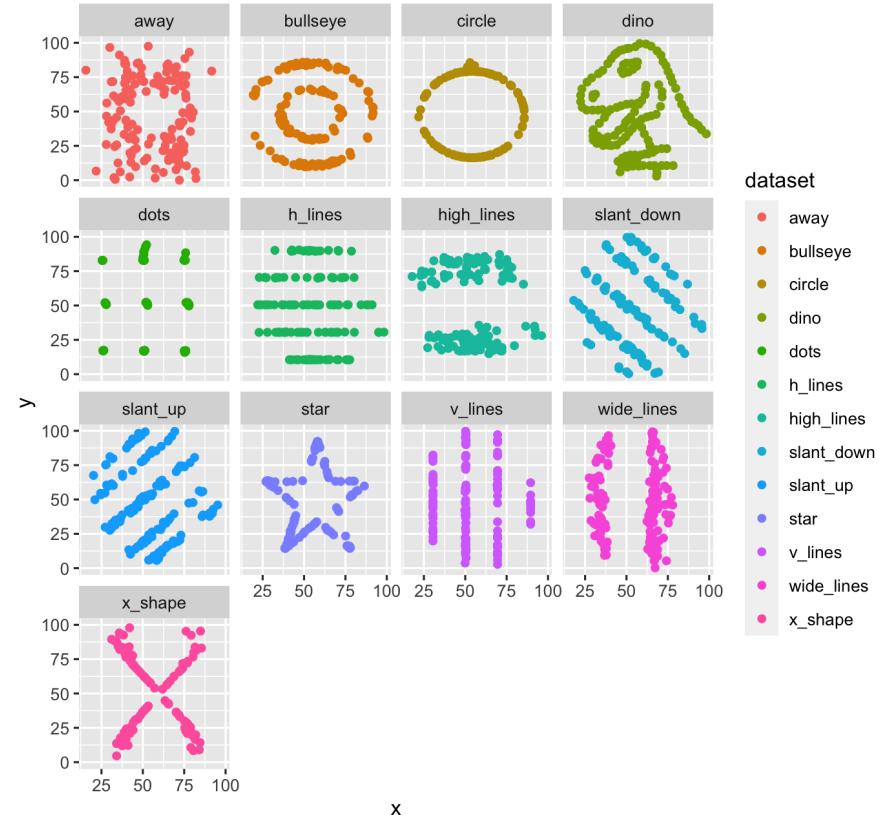
```
ggplot(datasaurus_dozen) +  
  aes(x, y, color = dataset) +  
  geom_point() +  
  theme(aspect.ratio = 1)
```



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We can use facets to split up by dataset, revealing the different distributions

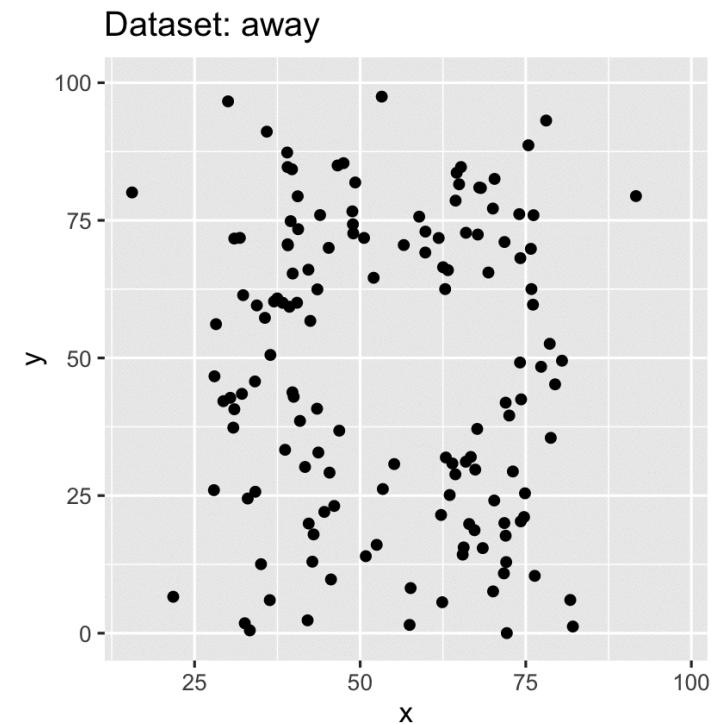
```
ggplot(datasaurus_dozen) +  
  aes(x, y, color = dataset) +  
  geom_point() +  
  facet_wrap(~dataset) +  
  theme(aspect.ratio = 1)
```



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We can just as easily turn it into an animation, transitioning between dataset states!

```
ggplot(datasaurus_dozen) +  
  aes(x, y) +  
  geom_point() +  
  transition_states(dataset, 3, 1) +  
  labs(title = "Dataset: {closest_state}  
  theme(aspect.ratio = 1)
```



Resources

- Carson Sievert [Interactive web-based data visualization with R, plotly, and shiny](#)
- website for [ganimate](#)
- Mitch O'Hara-Wild's [tutorial on ganimate](#)



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Session Information

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devtools::session_info()
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## hash: woman with headscarf: dark skin tone, backhand index pointing left, thermometer  
##  
## setting value  
## version R version 4.1.2 (2021-11-01)  
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## system x86_64, darwin17.0  
## ui      X11  
## language (EN)  
## collate en_AU.UTF-8  
## ctype   en_AU.UTF-8  
## tz      Australia/Melbourne  
## date   2021-11-30  
## pandoc 2.11.1.2 /Applications/RStudio.app/Contents/MacOS/pandoc/ (via rmarkdown)
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