

COMP824 2023 Week 4

Data Visualisation

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Overview

The Process of Analytics

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Tidyverse

Visualise

Reading

Chapter 2 and 3, Wickham and Grolemund (2020), R for Data Science

<https://r4ds.had.co.nz/>

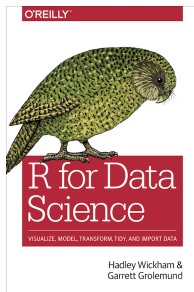
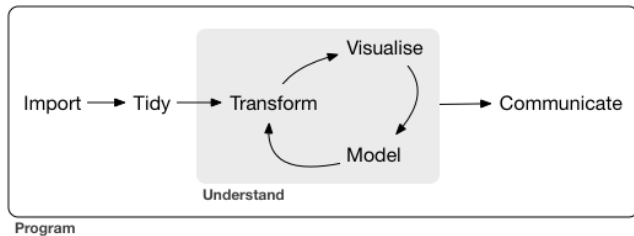


Figure 1: <http://r4ds.had.co.nz/>

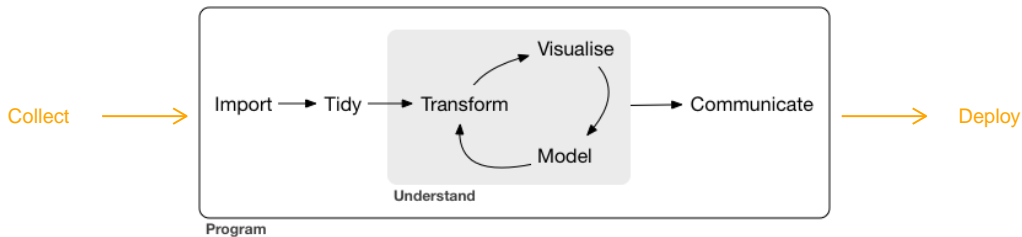
Learning objectives

- Know what Tidyverse is and how to install it within RStudio
- Know how to install and load packages in R
- Create plots using ggplot2
- Customise plots using ggplot2
- Appreciate and apply principles of data visualisation (independent learning - video)

The Process of Analytics



The Process of Analytics - with annotations



Tidyverse

Definition: “The tidyverse is an opinionated collection of R packages designed for data science. All packages share an underlying design philosophy, grammar, and data structures.” <https://www.tidyverse.org/>



Figure 4: <https://www.tidyverse.org/>

Install Tidyverse

```
install.packages("tidyverse") # do this once per computer  
library(tidyverse) # do this each time you start RStudio
```


Visualise

The first step of any data analysis is to **explore** the data. Visualisation is a good way to do this.

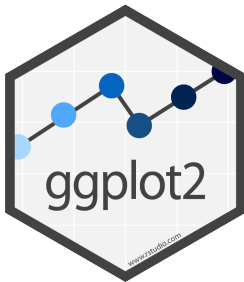


Figure 5: <https://www.tidyverse.org/>

ggplot2 implements the “Grammar of graphics”

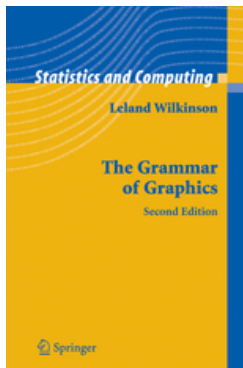


Figure 6: Grammar of Graphics Book

This article gives a nice overview of the philosophy behind `ggplot2`.

<https://www.r-bloggers.com/a-simple-introduction-to-the-graphing-philosophy-of-ggplot2/>

Install ggplot2

```
install.packages("ggplot2") # do this once per computer  
library(ggplot2)           # do this each time you start RStudio
```

Note: if you have installed and load tidyverse then you don't need to install and load ggplot2 as it is part of tidyverse.

Example: Cars

Discussion: Do cars with big engines use more fuel than cars with small engines?



Source: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/92622665``N08/16013517632>

Example: Cars - In-built dataset

Dataset: `mpg`

`tibbles` = special dataframes

Discussion: What do you think `int`, `dbl`, and `chr` represent on the following slide?

Example: Inspecting the mpg data

```
# A tibble: 234 x 11
  manufacturer model displ  year   cyl trans drv
  <chr>          <chr> <dbl> <int> <int> <chr> <chr>
1 audi          a4      1.8  1999     4 auto~ f
2 audi          a4      1.8  1999     4 manu~ f
3 audi          a4      2    2008     4 manu~ f
4 audi          a4      2    2008     4 auto~ f
# ... with 230 more rows, and 4 more variables:
#   cty <int>, hwy <int>, fl <chr>, class <chr>
```

- displ engine size in litres
- hwy efficiency on a highway in miles per gallon (mpg)

Example: Cars - variables

?mpg

Fuel economy data from 1999 to 2008 for 38 popular models of cars

Description

This dataset contains a subset of the fuel economy data that the EPA makes available on <https://fuelconomy.gov/>. It contains only models which had a new release every year between 1999 and 2008 - this was used as a proxy for the popularity of the car.

Usage

mpg

Format

A data frame with 234 rows and 11 variables:

manufacturer

manufacturer name

model

model name

displ

engine displacement, in litres

year

year of manufacture

cyl

number of cylinders

trans

type of transmission

drv

the type of drive train, where f = front-wheel drive, r = rear wheel drive

cty

city miles per gallon

hwy

highway miles per gallon

fl

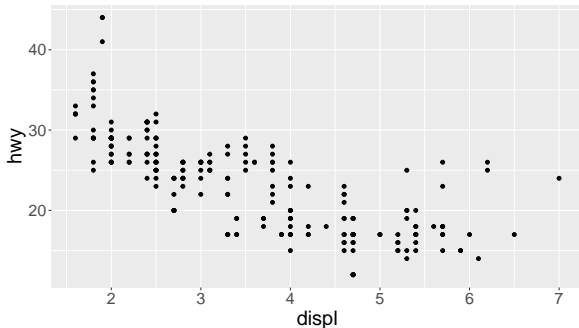
fuel type

class

"type" of car

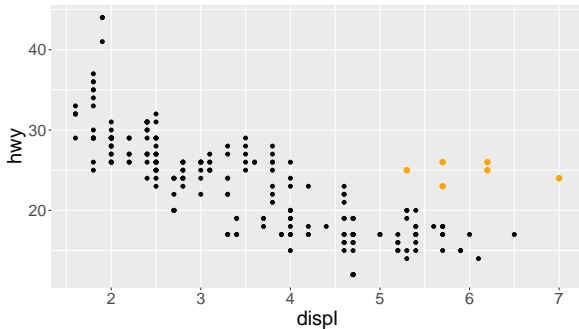
Create a scatterplot using ggplot2

```
# create empty plot and specify dataset  
ggplot(data = mpg) +  
# add layer to the plot  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
```



Describe the relationship in this graph.

Examine a scatterplot using ggplot2



Discussion: Notice the group of points which have a slightly higher than expected miles per gallon than expected. Discuss some reasons why this might be the case.

Aesthetic Mappings

`mapping = aes(x = ..., y = ...)` specifies how the data is mapped to the x and y axes.

Basic structure of ggplot

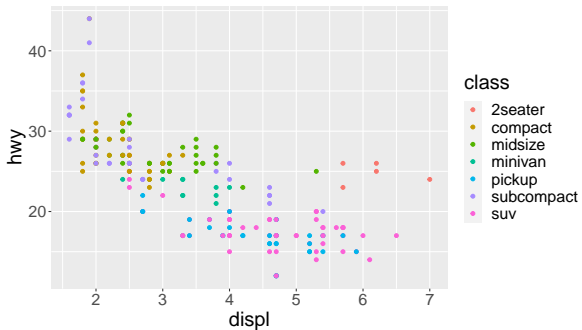
```
ggplot(data = <DATA>) +  
  <GEOM_FUNCTION>(mapping = aes(<MAPPINGS>))
```

e.g.

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

Adding colour

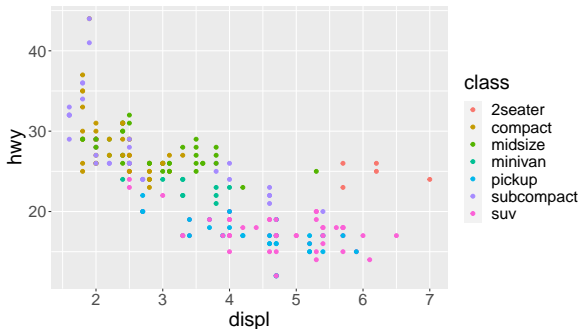
```
ggplot(data = mpg) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy, color = class))
```



- What does this graph tell you about the points that we identified?

Adding colour

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



- What does this graph tell you about the points that we identified?
- They are 2 seaters, i.e. sports cars - large engines but small bodies, so have a good mpg.

Transparency and size

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

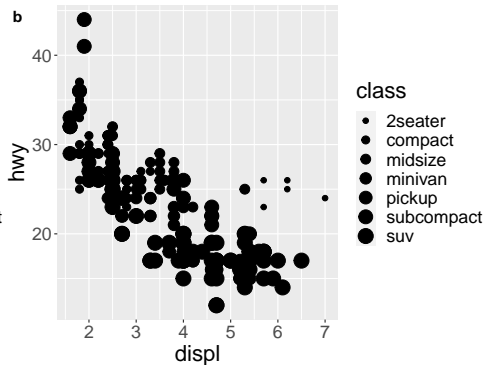
Warning: Using alpha for a discrete variable is not advised.

```
# Right
(b <- ggplot(data = mpg) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy, size = class)))
```

Warning: Using size for a discrete variable is not advised.

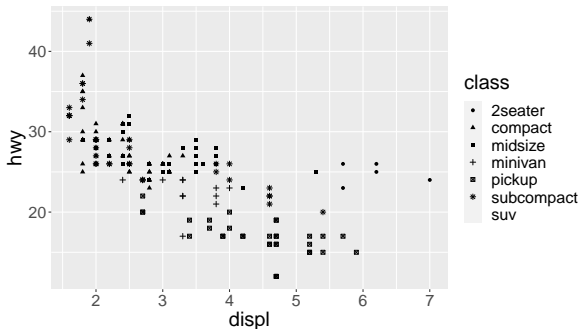
Notice the warning message associated with these options.

Transparency and size



Shape

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

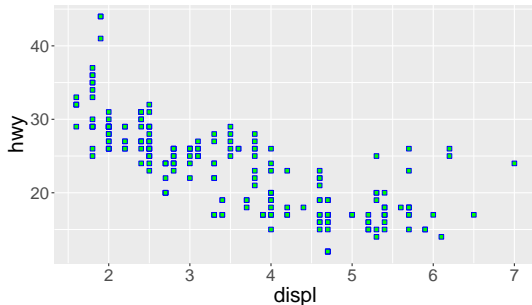


Notice the warning message associated with this option.

Manually modify aesthetics

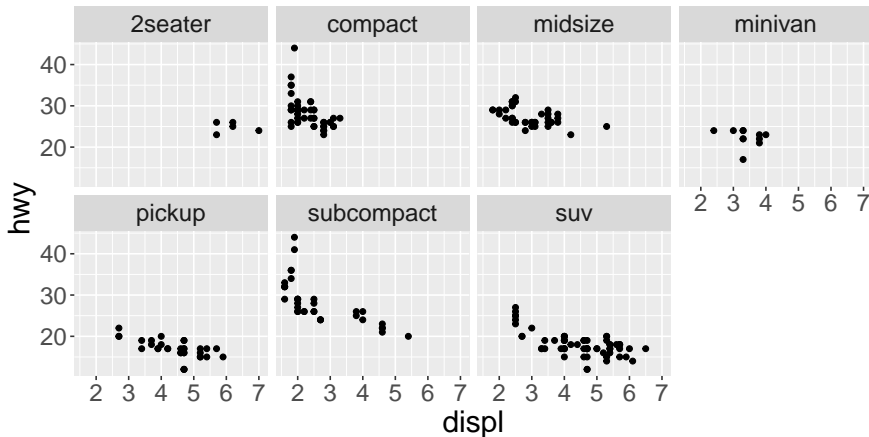
- Add aesthetic options (color, shape, size etc) *outside* `aes()`.
- For aesthetics not related to values in dataset
- See `?geom_point` for more details.

```
ggplot(data = mpg) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy),  
               color = "blue", shape=22, size=2, fill="green")
```



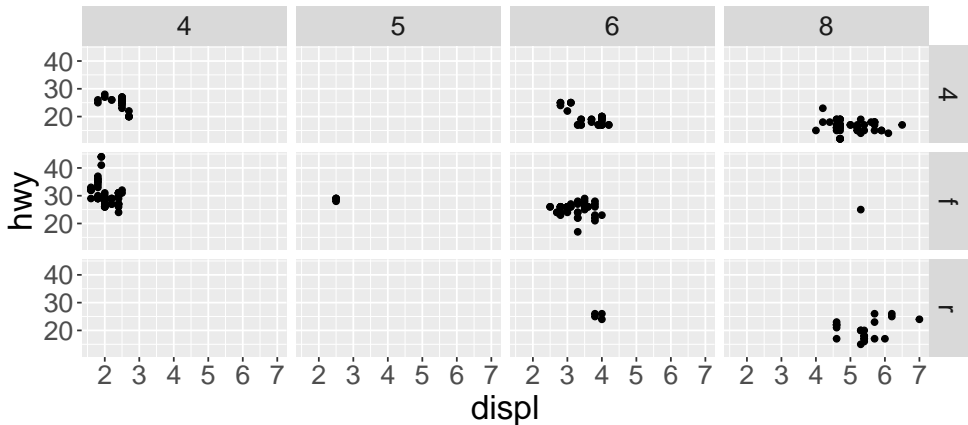
Facets: facet_wrap() - subplots by single discrete variable

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



Facets: facet_grid() - subplots by two discrete variables

```
ggplot(data = mpg) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)) +  
  facet_grid(drv ~ cyl)
```



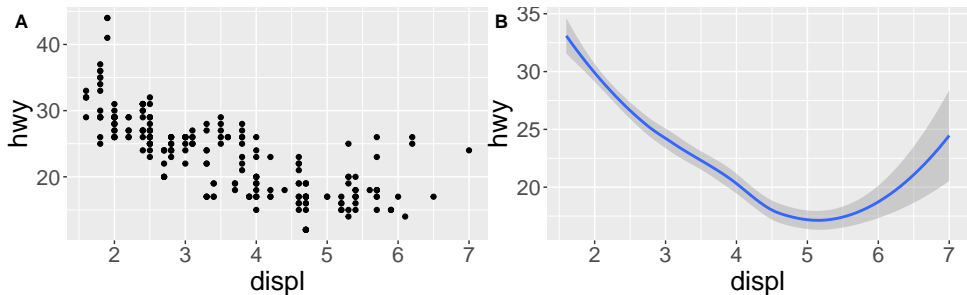
Geometric Objects: geoms

geoms specify the type of plot (e.g. scatterplot, boxplot, histogram etc).

- `geom_point`
- `geom_smooth`
- `geom_boxplot`
- `geom_histogram`
- `geom_line`
- and many more!!

Geometries - example `geom_point` and `geom_smooth`

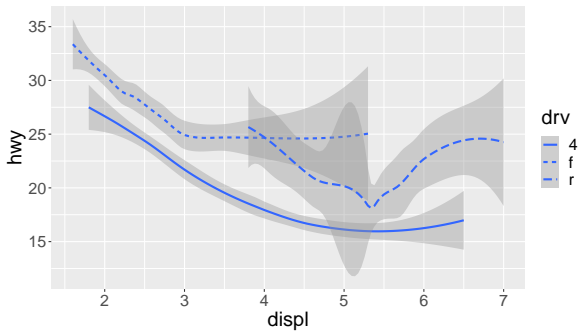
```
A <- ggplot(data = mpg) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))  
B <- ggplot(data = mpg) +  
  geom_smooth(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))  
cowplot::plot_grid(A, B, labels = "AUTO")
```



The `cowplot` package is useful for positioning multiple plots in documents.

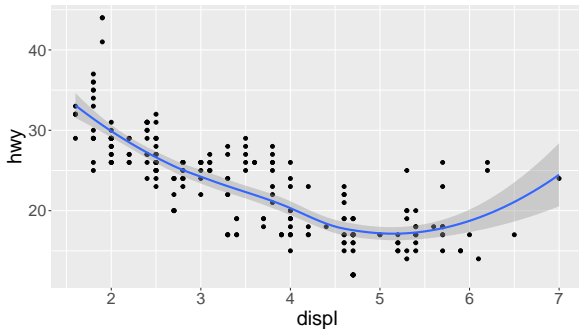
Geometries - geom_smooth with a 3rd variable

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



Two geometries on the same plot

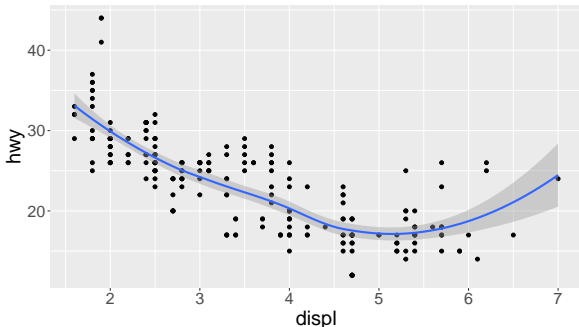
```
ggplot(data = mpg) +  
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy)) +  
  geom_smooth(mapping = aes(x = displ, y = hwy))
```



Two geometries on the same plot - better code

Add “global” mapping to `ggplot()` to avoid duplication.

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





Statistical Transformations and Bar Charts

Some functions will perform statistical transformations in order to create a plot.

Example: `geom_bar` *counts* the number in each category.

Example: Diamonds (dataset within ggplot2)

```
diamonds
```

```
# A tibble: 53,940 x 10
```

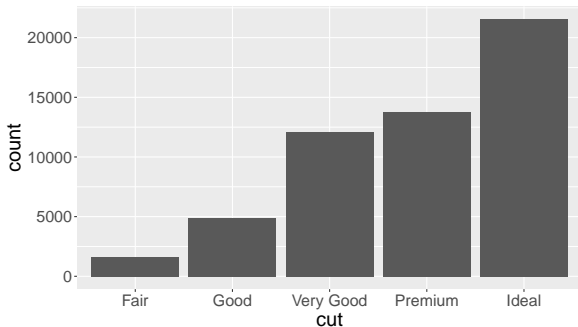
	carat	cut	color	clarity	depth	table	price
	<dbl>	<ord>	<ord>	<ord>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<int>
1	0.23	Ideal	E	SI2	61.5	55	326
2	0.21	Premium	E	SI1	59.8	61	326
3	0.23	Good	E	VS1	56.9	65	327
4	0.29	Premium	I	VS2	62.4	58	334

```
# ... with 53,936 more rows, and 3 more  
#   variables: x <dbl>, y <dbl>, z <dbl>
```

Bar Chart

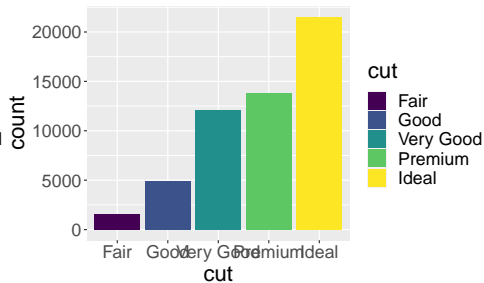
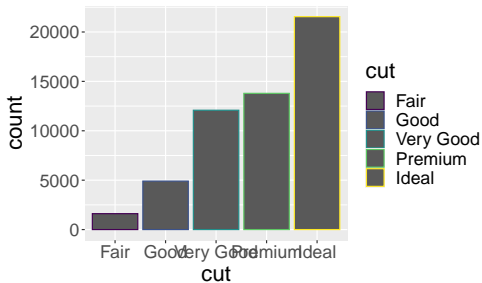
- By default, `geom_bar` shows the *count*. See `?geom_bar` for other options.

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



Adding colour to a bar chart: fill vs colour

```
a <- ggplot(data = diamonds) +  
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, colour=cut))  
b <- ggplot(data = diamonds) +  
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill=cut))  
cowplot::plot_grid(a, b)
```



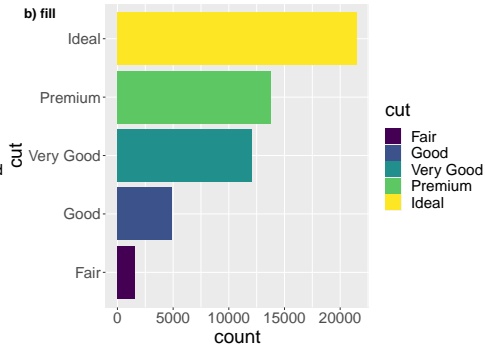
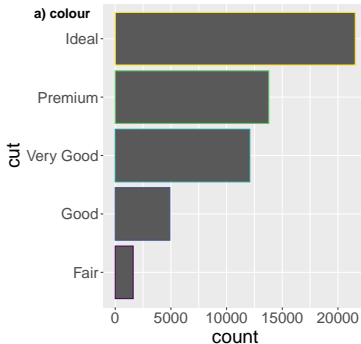
Flipping a bar chart

```
a <- ggplot(data = diamonds) +  
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, colour=cut)) +  
  coord_flip()
```

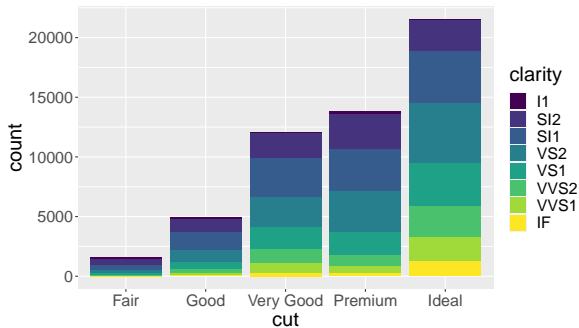
```
b <- ggplot(data = diamonds) +  
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill=cut)) +  
  coord_flip()
```

Flipping a bar chart

```
cowplot::plot_grid(a, b, labels = c("a) colour", "b) fill"))
```

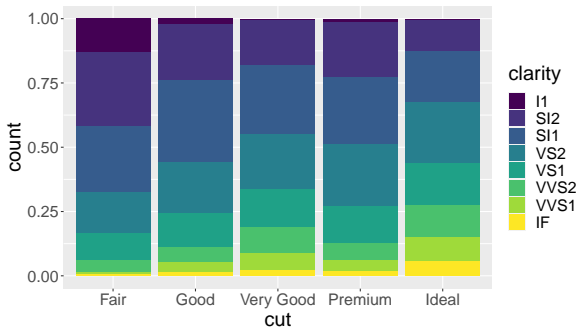


```
ggplot(data = diamonds) +  
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill=clarity))
```



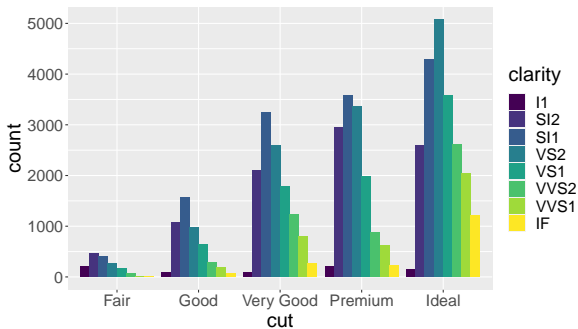
Stacked bar charts - Proportions

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



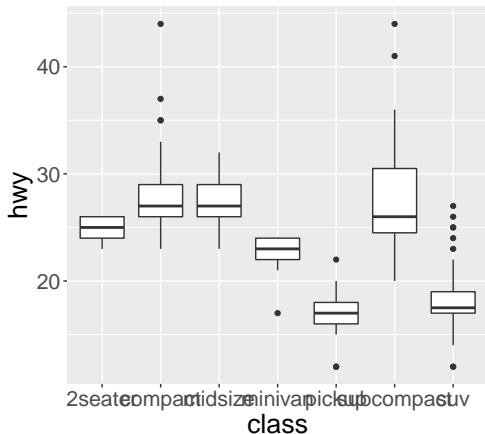
Side-by-side bar charts

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



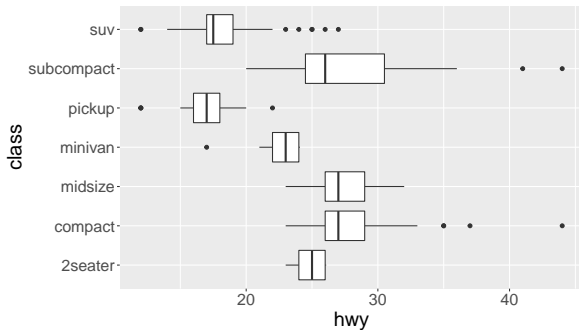
Boxplots

```
ggplot(data = mpg, mapping = aes(x = class, y = hwy)) +  
  geom_boxplot()
```



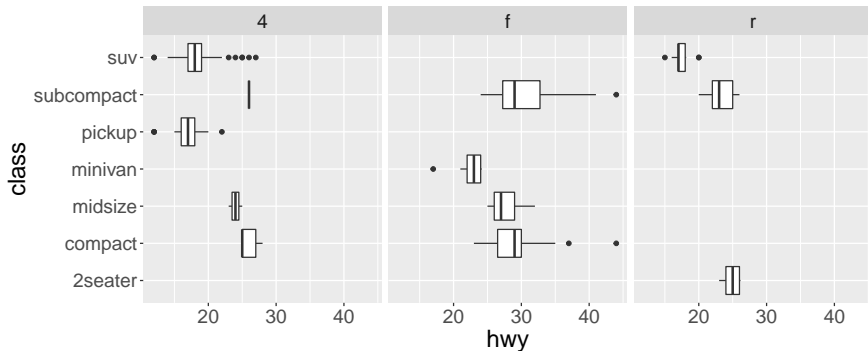
Boxplots: Flip x and y axis

```
ggplot(data = mpg, mapping = aes(x = class, y = hwy)) +  
  geom_boxplot() +  
  coord_flip()
```

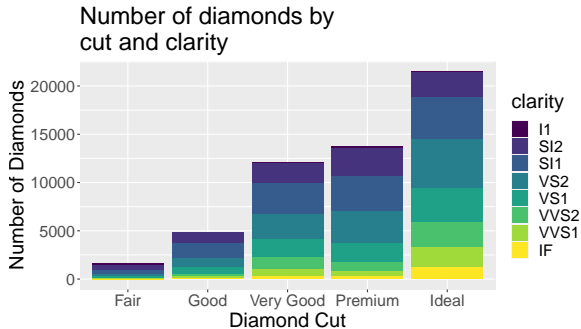


Boxplots: with facets

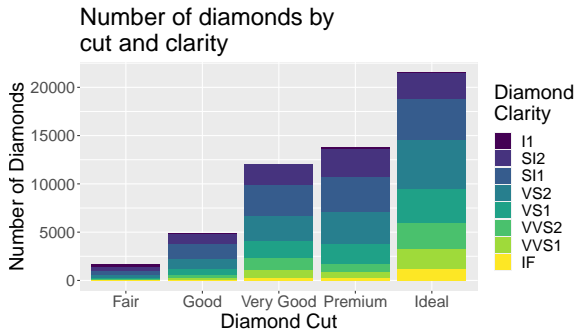
```
ggplot(data = mpg, mapping = aes(x = class, y = hwy)) +  
  geom_boxplot() +  
  coord_flip() +  
  facet_wrap(~ drv)
```



```
ggplot(data = diamonds) +  
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill=clarity)) +  
  xlab("Diamond Cut") + ylab("Number of Diamonds") +  
  ggtitle("Number of diamonds by \ncut and clarity")
```



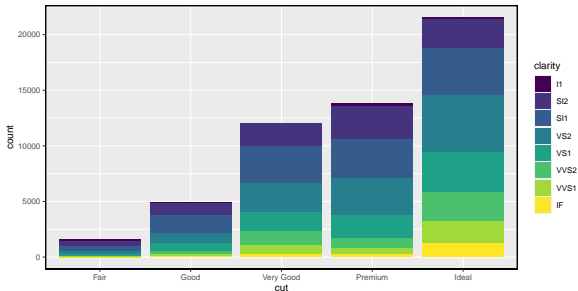
```
ggplot(data = diamonds) +  
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill=clarity)) +  
  labs(x = "Diamond Cut",  
       y = "Number of Diamonds",  
       title = "Number of diamonds by \ncut and clarity",  
       fill = "Diamond \nClarity")
```



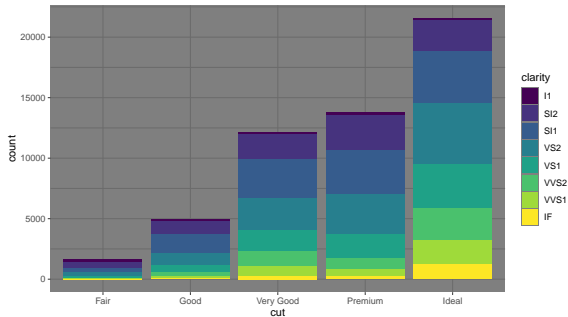
Themes

- Themes can be used to customise the look of plots, e.g. to change the size of all elements on a plot
- See `?theme` for more info

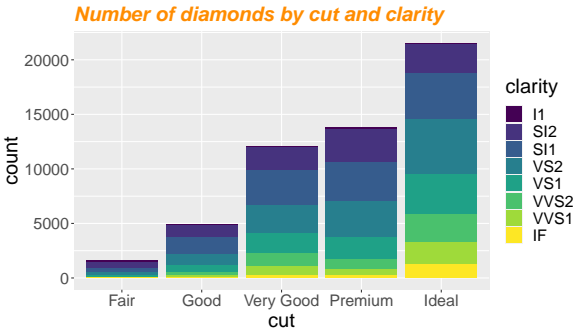
```
ggplot(data = diamonds) +  
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill=clarity)) +  
  theme(text = element_text(size = 10),  
        panel.border = element_rect(colour = "black", fill=NA, size=1))
```



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




```
ggplot(data = diamonds) +  
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = cut, fill=clarity)) +  
  labs(title = "Number of diamonds by cut and clarity")+  
  theme(plot.title = element_text(color="darkorange", size=20,  
                                   face="bold.italic"))
```



Key elements of ggplot2

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

Getting help

Best way to get help: Ask your favourite search engine

e.g. Suppose you want to change the background colour of the plot

Suggested search term: *ggplot2 change background color*

Cheatsheet: ggplot2

<https://www.rstudio.com/resources/cheatsheets>

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)) +  
  COORDINATE_FUNCTION +  
  THEME_FUNCTION
```

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

last_plot() Returns the last plot.

ggsave("plot.png", width = 5, height = 5) Saves last plot as 5" x 5" file named "plot.png" in working directory. Matches file type to file extension.

Aes

Common aesthetic values.

color and fill - string ("red", "NIRGGBB")

linetype - integer or string (0 = "blank", 1 = "solid", 2 = "dashed", 3 = "dotted", 4 = "dotted", 5 = "longdash", 6 = "twodash")

linewidth - string ("round", "butt", or "square")

linejoin - string ("round", "mitre", or "bevel")

size - integer (line width in mm)

shape - integer/shape name or a single character ("a")

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(swath, aes(x = long, y = lat))

a + geom_blank() and a + expand_limits() Ensure limits include values across all plots.

b + geom_curve(aes(yend = lat + 1, xend = long + 1, curvature = 1), aes(alpha, angle, color, curvature, linetype, size))

a + geom_path(linewidth = "butt", linejoin = "round", linetype = 1) x, y, alpha, color, group, linetype, size

a + geom_polygon(aes(alpha = 50)) - x, y, alpha, color, fill, group, subgroup, linetype, size

b + geom_rect(aes(xmin = long, ymin = lat, xmax = long + 1, ymax = lat + 1) - xmin, ymin, ymax, ymin, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size)

a + geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = unempLOY - 900, ymax = unempLOY + 900)) - y, xmin, 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(xintercept = long))

b + geom_segment(aes(yend = lat + 1, xend = long + 1))

b + geom_spoke(aes(angle = 1.155, 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, linetype, size

c + geom_histogram(bins = 5) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

c2 + geom_qq(aes(sample = hwy)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

c2 + geom_qq_line(aes(sample = hwy)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

c2 + geom_qq_point(aes(sample = hwy)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

c2 + geom_rug(aes(sample = hwy)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

c2 + geom_violin(aes(sample = hwy)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

c2 + geom_violinplot(aes(sample = hwy)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

c2 + geom_violinplot(aes(sample = hwy)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

c2 + geom_violinplot(aes(sample = hwy)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

c2 + geom_violinplot(aes(sample = hwy)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

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TWO VARIABLES both continuous

e <- ggplot(mpg, aes(cty, hwy))

e + geom_label(aes(label = cty), nudges_x = 1, nudges_y = 1) - x, y, label, alpha, angle, color, family, fontface, hjust, linewidth, size, vjust

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 = "b") x, y, alpha, color, linetype, size

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

e + geom_test(aes(label = cty), nudges_x = 1, nudges_y = 1) - x, y, label, alpha, angle, color, family, fontface, hjust, linewidth, size, vjust

e + geom_violin(aes(cty, hwy)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, size, weight

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continuous bivariate distribution

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

h + geom_bin2d(bins = c(20, 25, 500)) x, y, alpha, color, fill, linetype, size, weight

h + geom_density_2d() x, y, alpha, color, group, linetype, size

h + geom_hex() x, y, alpha, color, 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

data <- data.frame(g = c("A", "B"), fit = 4.5, se = 1.2)

j <- ggplot(d, aes(mpg, fit, ymin = fit - se, ymax = fit + se))

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

j + geom_errorbar(linewidth = 2) - x, y, ymax, ymin, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, size, width

Also geom_errorbarh().

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

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

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Further Reading

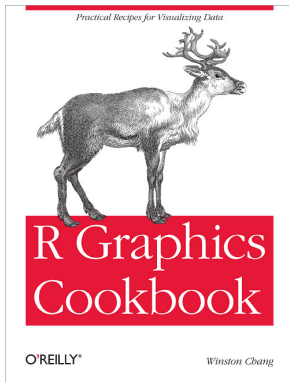


Figure 8: R Graphics Cookbook <https://r-graphics.org/>

Learning objectives

- Know what Tidyverse is and how to install it within RStudio
- Know how to install and load packages in R
- Create plots using `ggplot2`
- Customise plots using `ggplot2`
- Appreciate and apply principles of data visualisation (independent learning - video)



References

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