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Introduction to ggplot2

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- ▶ Grammar of Graphics approach
- ▶ **'Base graphics are good for drawing pictures. ggplot2 graphics are good for understanding the data'** - Hadley Wickham
- ▶ Extensive online help, videos, and **google**

```
library(ggplot2)
```

The ggplot2 ethos

- ▶ A plot is made up of multiple layers
- ▶ A layer consists of *data*, a set of *mappings* between variables and aesthetics, a *geometric* object and a *statistical* transformation
- ▶ *Scales* control the details of the mapping
- ▶ All components are independant and reusable
- ▶ Carefully chosen defaults
- ▶ Less time spent on making plot look good, more time for interpreting the data

Load the data

```
prices <- read.csv("data/priceData.txt", sep = "\t")
```

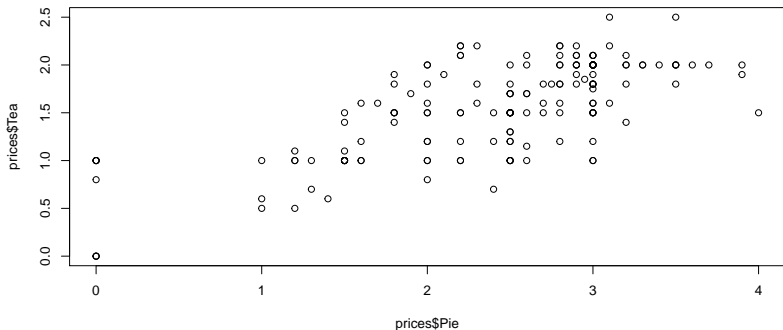
```
head(prices, 2)
```

```
##           Club League Cheapest.season.ticket
## 1      Arsenal      1                    985
## 2 Aston Villa      1                    325
## Most.expensive.season.ticket
## 1                    1955
## 2                    595
## Cheapest.match.day.ticket
## 1                    26
## 2                    20
## Most.expensive.match.day.ticket
## 1                    126
## 2                    45
## Cheapest.day.out Programme Pie Tea   lat
## 1          34.3          3 3.3 2.0 51.55
## 2          28.3          3 3.2 2.1 52.51
##           lon           e           n
## 1 -0.1086 531225 185700
## 2 -1.8848 407919 290126
```

Lets explore the data

Suppose we are interested in the relationship between the price of tea, and the price of pies

```
plot(prices$Pie, prices$Tea)
```



Lets try in ggplot2

The equivalent of `plot` is `ggplot` which requires `data` and `aes` arguments

`aes` defines the aesthetic mappings to pass to the plot. `data` must be a data frame

```
ggplot(data = prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea))
```

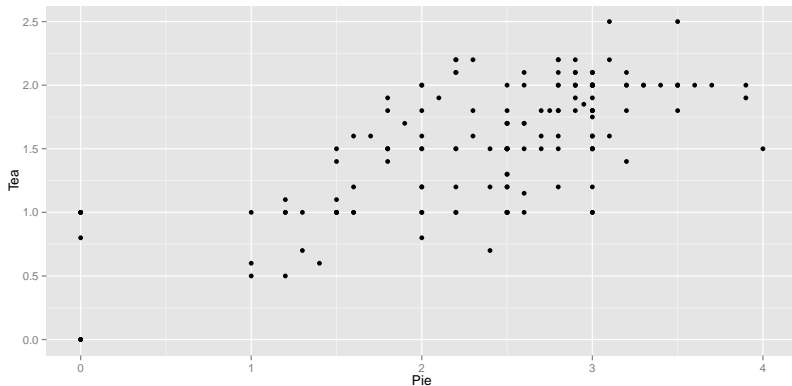
```
## Error: No layers in plot
```

We haven't specified a *geom*

Pick a geom, any geom

We have to 'add' a layer to the plot

```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea)) +  
  geom_point()
```



The command in detail

```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea)) +  
  geom_point()
```

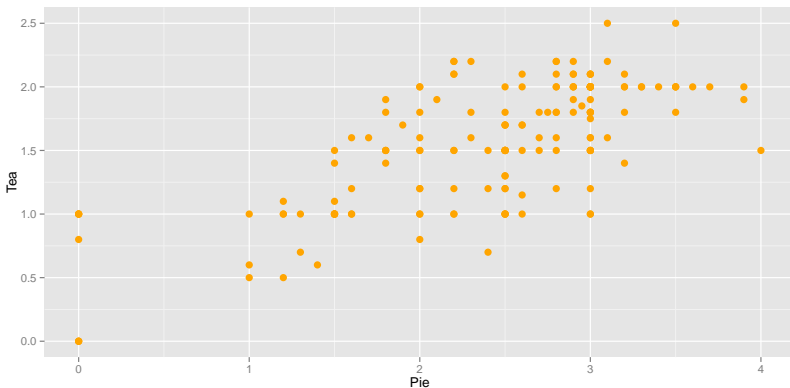
- ▶ Specify data and variable inside ggplot function
- ▶ Add layers of geometric objects, statistical models and panels
- ▶ `geom_point` knows about the data and aesthetics (it inherits them)

Adding color

geom_point

can have it's own set of aesthetics

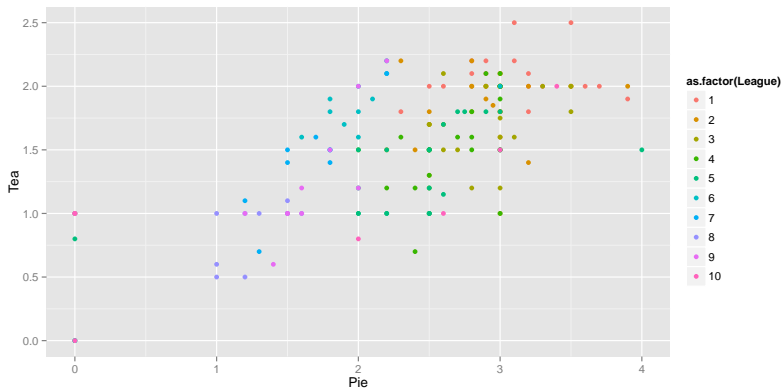
```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea)) +  
  geom_point(color = "orange",  
            size = 3)
```



Adding color

Other aesthetics can be set in the `ggplot` call such as `colour`, `shape`, `size`. Legend is set automatically.

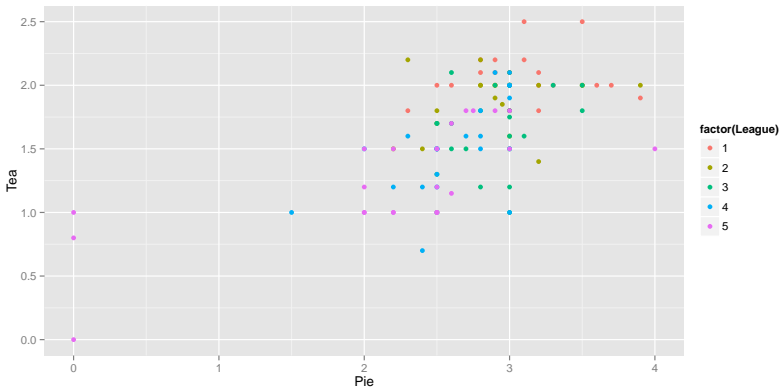
```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea,  
  color = as.factor(League))) +  
  geom_point()
```



Adding color

Note that legend is automatically re-drawn

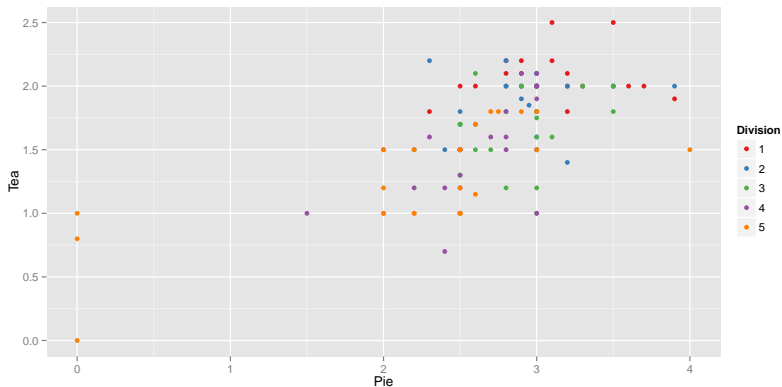
```
sub <- prices$League < 6
ggplot(prices[sub, ], aes(x = Pie,
  y = Tea, color = factor(League))) +
  geom_point()
```



Changing colours and legend

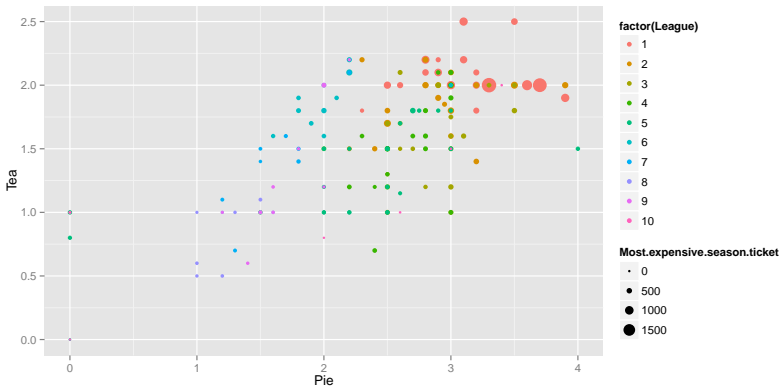
But we can specify colours and legend manually

```
sub <- prices$League < 6
library(RColorBrewer)
ggplot(prices[sub, ], aes(x = Pie,
  y = Tea, color = factor(League))) +
  geom_point() + scale_color_manual(name = "Division",
  values = brewer.pal(5, "Set1"))
```



Adding size

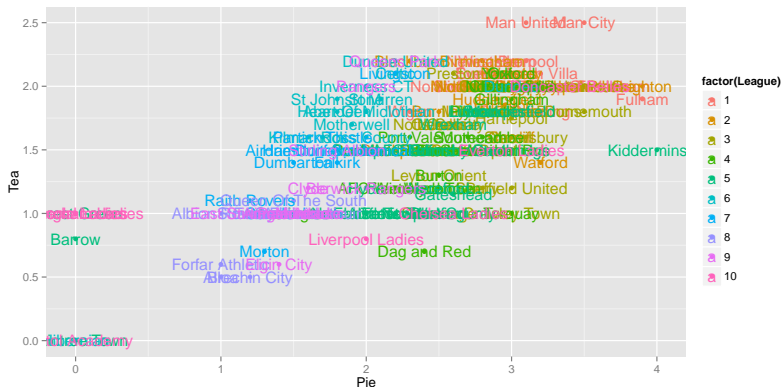
```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea,  
  color = factor(League), size = Most.expensive.season.ticket)) +  
  geom_point()
```



Adding labels

For labels we need to add another 'layer' using `geom_text`. This requires a label aesthetic to be defined

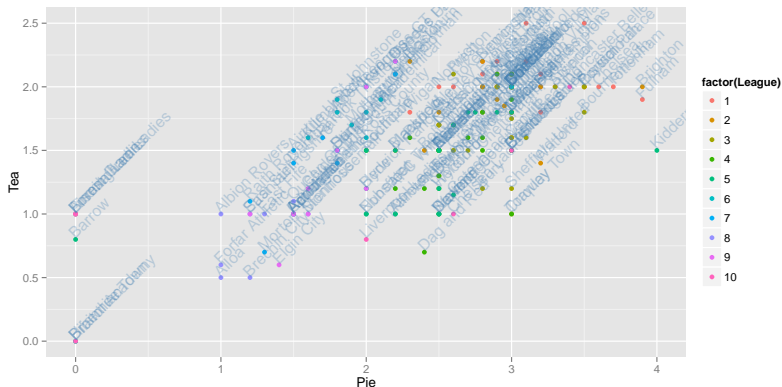
```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea,  
  color = factor(League), label = Club)) +  
  geom_point() + geom_text()
```



Adding labels

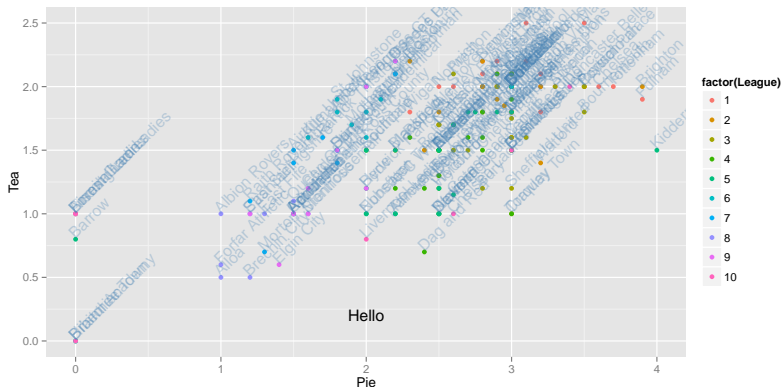
Can have more control over the labels

```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea,  
  color = factor(League), label = Club)) +  
  geom_point() + geom_text(angle = 45,  
    vjust = 0, hjust = 0, color = "steelblue",  
    alpha = 0.3)
```



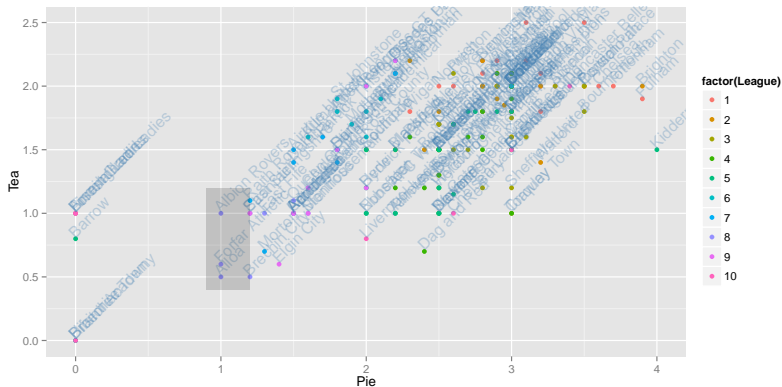
Annotating

```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea,  
  color = factor(League), label = Club)) +  
  geom_point() + geom_text(angle = 45,  
    vjust = 0, hjust = 0, color = "steelblue",  
    alpha = 0.3) + annotate("text",  
    2, 0.2, label = "Hello")
```



Annotating

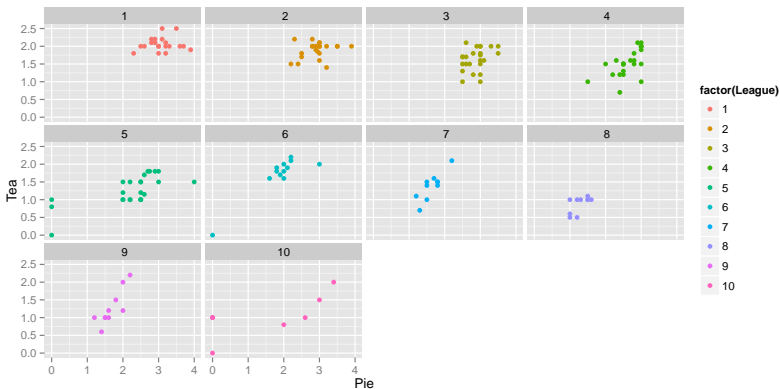
```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea,
  color = factor(League), label = Club)) +
  geom_point() + geom_text(angle = 45,
  vjust = 0, hjust = 0, color = "steelblue",
  alpha = 0.3) + annotate("rect",
  xmin = 0.9, xmax = 1.2, ymin = 0.4,
  ymax = 1.2, alpha = 0.2)
```



Faceting

Faceting is an important tool to break the data into subsets for plotting.

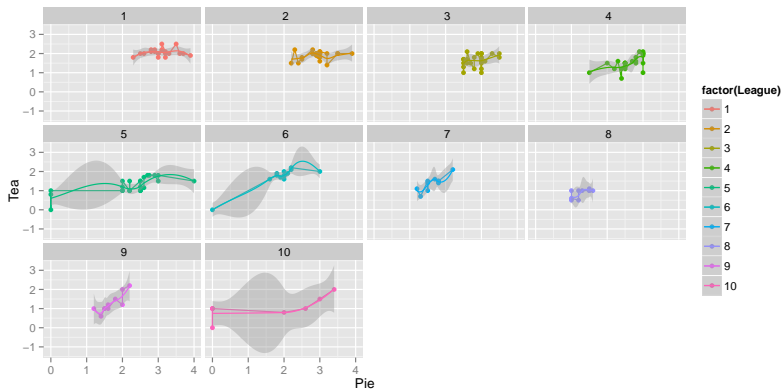
```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea,  
  color = factor(League))) +  
  geom_point() + facet_wrap(~League)
```



Faceting

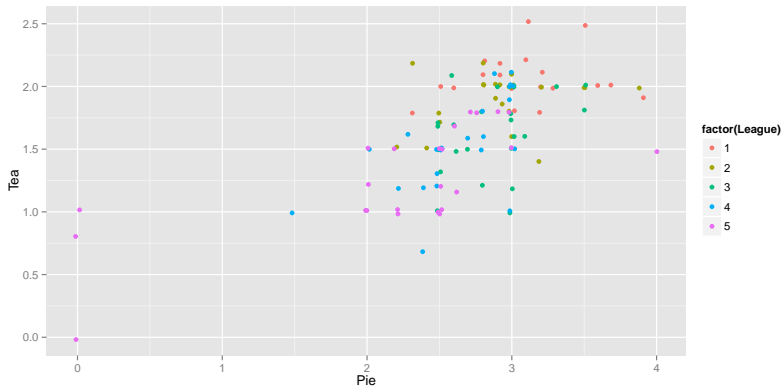
Lines and smoothing

```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, y = Tea,  
  color = factor(League))) +  
  geom_point() + geom_line() +  
  geom_smooth() + facet_wrap(~League)
```



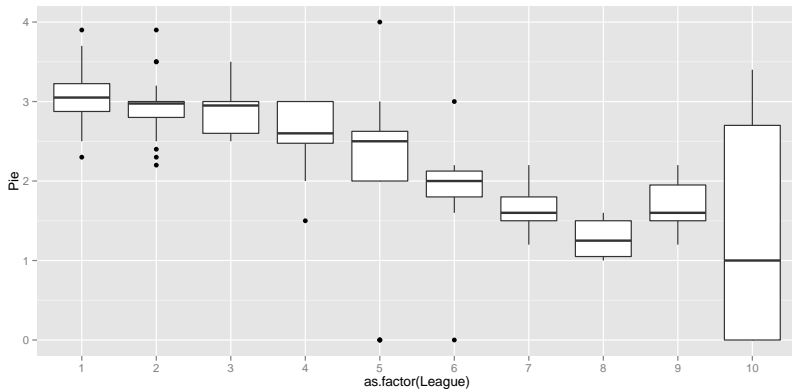
Jittering

```
ggplot(prices[sub, ], aes(x = Pie,  
  y = Tea, color = factor(League))) +  
  geom_jitter()
```



Boxplots

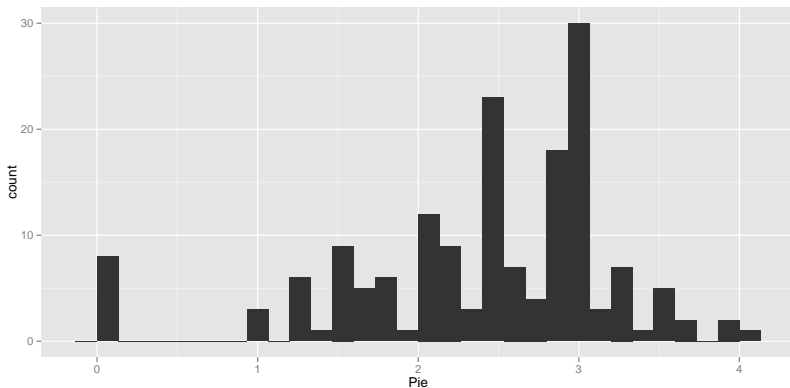
```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = as.factor(League),  
  y = Pie)) + geom_boxplot()
```



Histogram

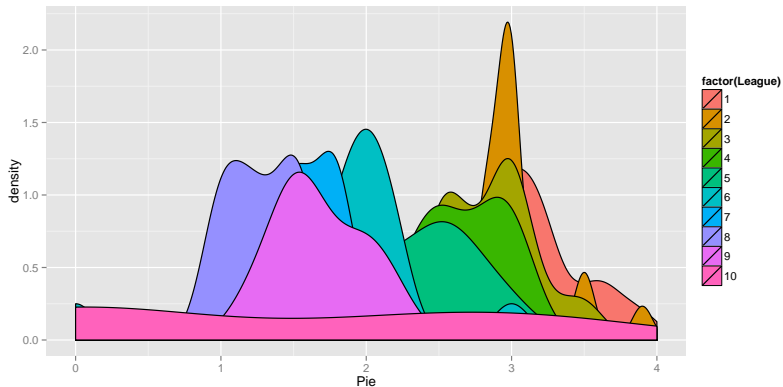
```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie)) +  
  geom_histogram()
```

stat_bin: binwidth defaulted to range/30. Use 'binwidth = x' to adjust this.



Density

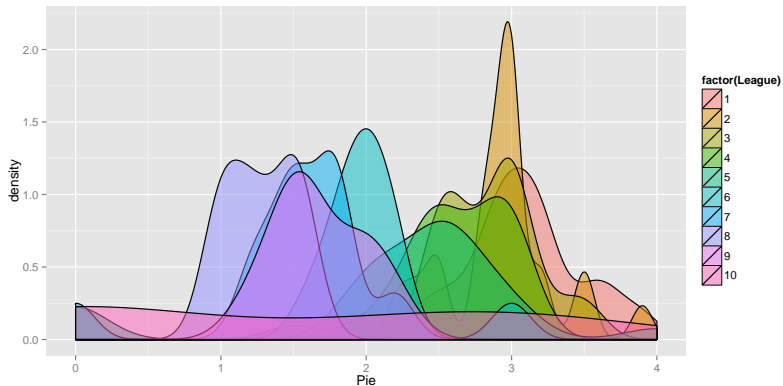
```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, fill = factor(League))) +  
  geom_density()
```



Density

Can alter the transparency

```
ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie, fill = factor(League))) +  
  geom_density(alpha = 0.5)
```



The shape of the data

ggplot prefers data to be in long format. We can 'melt' the data using the reshape library

```
library(reshape)

mPrices <- melt(prices[, -2])

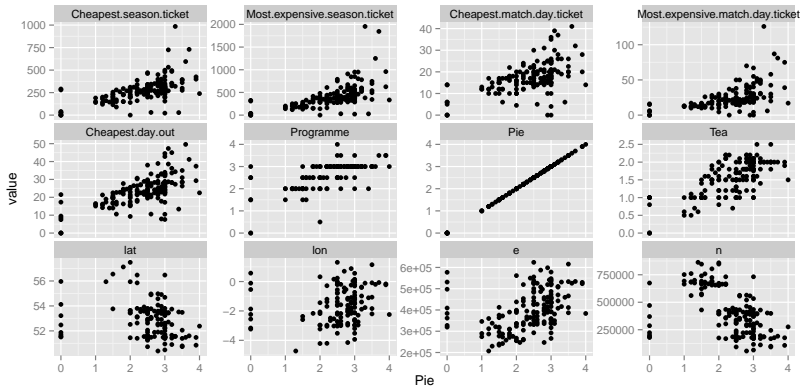
## Using Club as id variables

mPrices <- data.frame(mPrices,
  Pie = prices$Pie[match(mPrices[,
    1], prices[, 1])])
head(mPrices, 2)
```

```
##           Club
## 1      Arsenal
## 2 Aston Villa
##           variable
## 1 Cheapest.season.ticket
## 2 Cheapest.season.ticket
##    value Pie
## 1   985 3.3
## 2   325 3.2
```

Getting really fancy

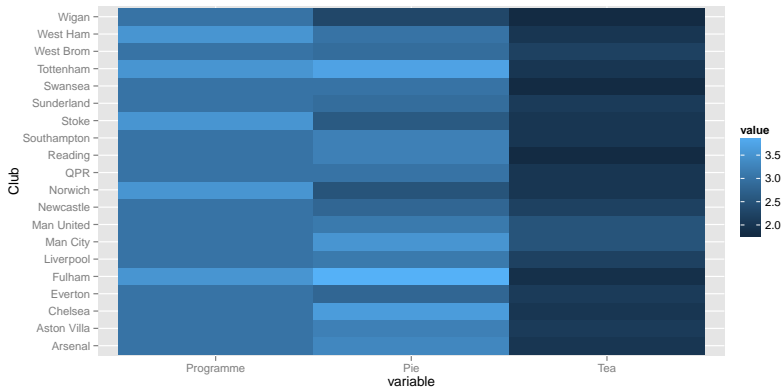
```
ggplot(mPrices, aes(x = Pie, y = value)) +  
  geom_point() + facet_wrap(~variable,  
    scales = "free_y")
```



```
prem <- prices$League == 1
mPrices2 <- melt(prices[prem, c(1,
  8, 9, 10)])
```

Using Club as id variables

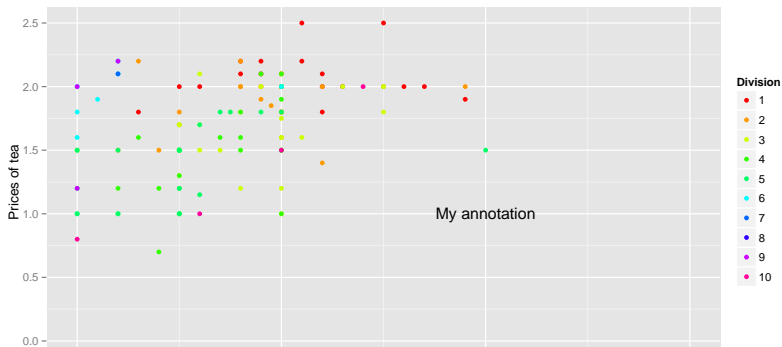
```
ggplot(mPrices2, aes(x = variable,
  y = Club, fill = value)) +
  geom_tile()
```



Modification of plots

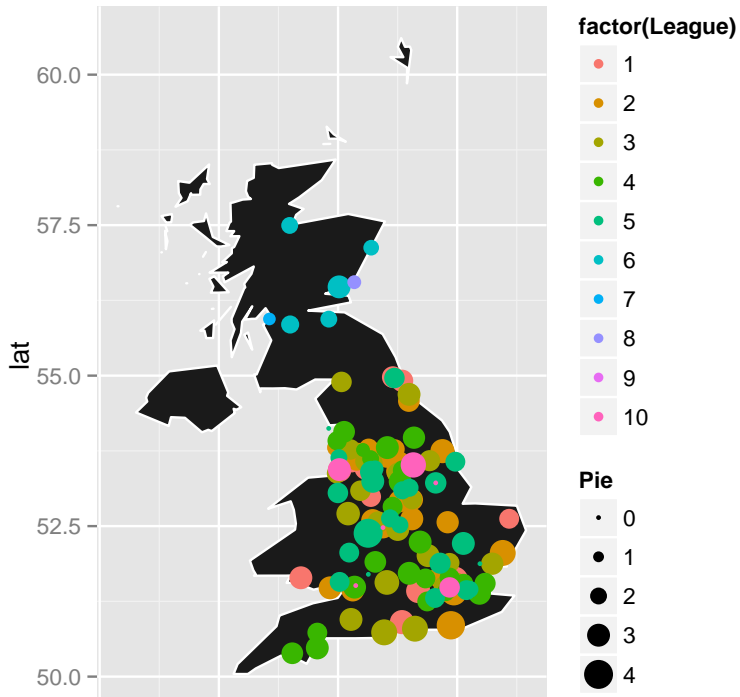
First command creates the plot, but doesn't display

```
p <- ggplot(prices, aes(x = Pie,  
  y = Tea, color = as.factor(League))) +  
  geom_point()  
  
p + ylab("Prices of tea") + xlab("Price of Pies") +  
  xlim(2, 5) + scale_color_manual(name = "Division",  
  values = rainbow(10)) + annotate("text",  
  4, 1, label = "My annotation")
```

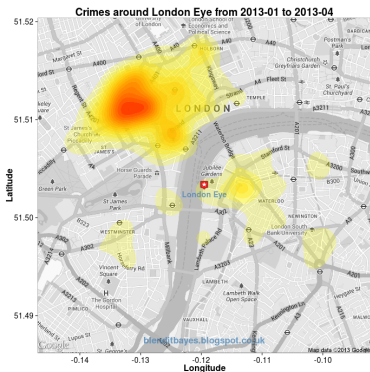


Finally...

```
uk <- map_data("world", region = "uk",  
  xlim = c(-11, 3), ylim = c(51,  
    60))  
p <- ggplot()  
p <- p + geom_polygon(data = uk,  
  aes(x = long, y = lat, group = group),  
  colour = "white", fill = "grey10")
```



Examples from the web



<http://www.tengfei.name/ggbio/>

Bioconductor package for genomic visualisation based on ggplot2

- ▶ Manhattan plots
- ▶ Coverage plots
- ▶ Gene-models
- ▶ circos
- ▶ +many more