## Numeric Variable Graphs

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## Recap: ggplot2

A great plotting system!

To create plots:

- Create base object
- Add geom or stat layers
- Use aes() to map variables to attributes of the plot
- Add other layers to modify things

Numeric variables - generally, describe distribution via a histogram or boxplot!

- For a single numeric variable, describe the distribution via
  - Shape: Histogram, Density plot, ...
  - Comparing across a categorical variable: Boxplot
- For two numeric variables, describe the distribution via
  - Shape: Scatter plot

# Reading in Our Data

First, let's read in the appendicitis data from the previous lecture.

```
library(tidyverse)
 library(readxl)
 app_data <- read_excel("data/app_data.xlsx", sheet = 1)
 app_data <- app_data |>
   mutate(BMI = as.numeric(BMI),
          US Number = as.character(US Number).
          SexF = factor(Sex, levels = c("female", "male"), labels = c("Female", "Male")),
          DiagnosisF = as.factor(Diagnosis),
          SeverityF = as.factor(Severity))
 app_data
## # A tibble: 782 x 61
            BMI Sex
                        Height Weight Length_of_Stay Management
                                                                 Severity
       Age
    <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
                        <dbl> <dbl>
                                              <dbl> <chr>
                                                                  <chr>
    12.7 16.9 female
                           148
                                37
                                                   3 conservative uncomplicated
## 2 14.1 31.9 male
                           147
                               69.5
                                                   2 conservative uncomplicated
## 3 14.1 23.3 female
                           163
                                62
                                                   4 conservative uncomplicated
## 4 16.4 20.6 female
                           165
                                                   3 conservative uncomplicated
## 5 11.1 16.9 female
                           163
                                                   3 conservative uncomplicated
                                45
## # i 777 more rows
## # i 53 more variables: Diagnosis_Presumptive <chr>, Diagnosis <chr>,
                                 riatic_Appendicitis_Score <dbl>,
                                 ndix_Diameter <dbl>, Migratory_Pain <chr>,
                                 , Contralateral_Rebound_Tenderness <chr>,
## # cougning_Pain <cnr>, Nausea <chr>, Loss_of_Appetite <chr>,
```

## **Density Plot**

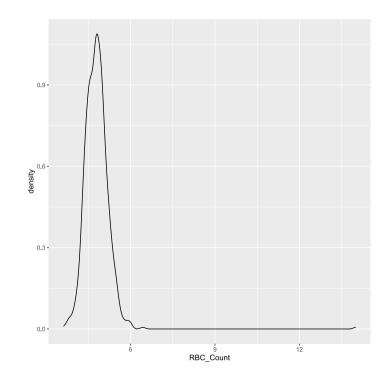
- **Kernel Smoother** Smoothed version of a histogram
- Common aes values (from cheat sheet):

```
c + geom_density(kernel = "gaussian")
x, y, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, size, weight
```

• Only x = is really needed

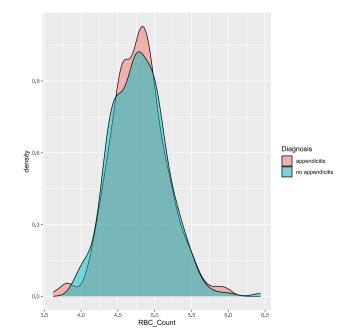
• **Kernel Smoother** - Smoothed version of a histogram

```
g <- ggplot(app_data |> drop_na(RBC_Count), aes(x = RBC_Count))
g + geom_density()
```



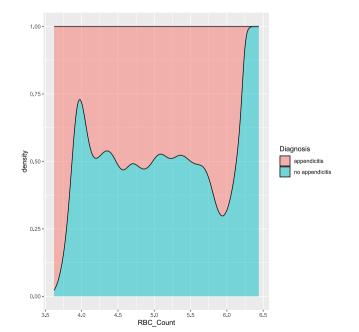
- **Kernel Smoother** Smoothed version of a histogram
- Remove really large value and use the fill aesthetic to compare groups!

```
g <- ggplot(app_data |> drop_na(RBC_Count, Diagnosis) |> filter(RBC_Count < 8), aes(x = RBC_Count)) g + geom_density(alpha = 0.5, aes(fill = Diagnosis))
```



- **Kernel Smoother** Smoothed version of a histogram
- Recall position choices of dodge, jitter, fill, and stack

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g <- ggplot(app_data |> drop_na(RBC_Count, Diagnosis) |> filter(RBC_Count < 8), aes(x = RBC_Count)) g + geom_density(alpha = 0.5, position = "fill", aes(fill = Diagnosis))
```



## ggplot2 Boxplots

- **Boxplot** Provides the five number summary in a graph
- Common aes values (from cheat sheet):

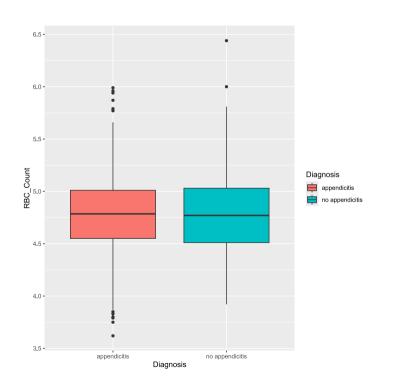
```
f + geom_boxplot()

x, y, lower, middle, upper, ymax, ymin, alpha, color, fill, group, linetype, shape,
size, weight
```

• Only x =, y = are really needed

# ggplot2 Boxplots

```
g <- ggplot(app_data |> drop_na(RBC_Count, Diagnosis) |> filter(RBC_Count < 8))
g + geom_boxplot(aes(x = Diagnosis, y = RBC_Count, fill = Diagnosis))</pre>
```



# ggplot2 Boxplots with Points

• Can add data points (jittered) to see shape of data better (or use violin plot)

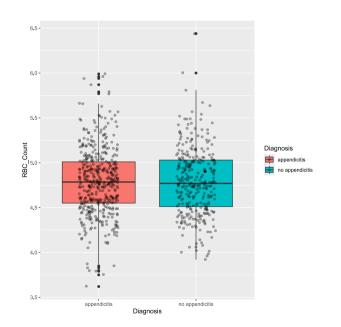
```
g <- ggplot(app_data |> drop_na(RBC_Count, Diagnosis) |> filter(RBC_Count < 8))
g + geom_boxplot(aes(x = Diagnosis, y = RBC_Count, fill = Diagnosis)) +
    geom_jitter(width = 0.1, alpha = 0.3)

## Error in `geom_jitter()`:
## ! Problem while setting up geom.
## i Error occurred in the 2nd layer.
## Caused by error in `compute_geom_1()`:
## ! `geom_point()` requires the following missing aesthetics: x and y.</pre>
```

• Oh, global vs local aes()!

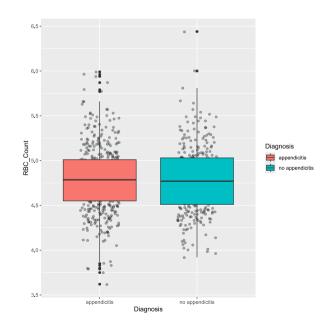
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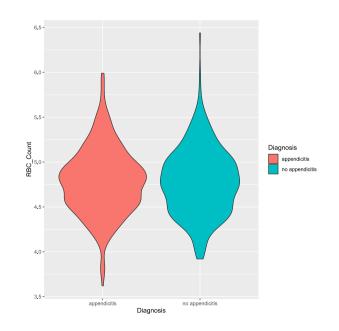
# ggplot2 Boxplots with Points

• Order of layers important!



## ggplot2 Violin Plots

• Violin plot similar to boxplot



#### ggplot2 Scatter Plots

#### Two numerical variables

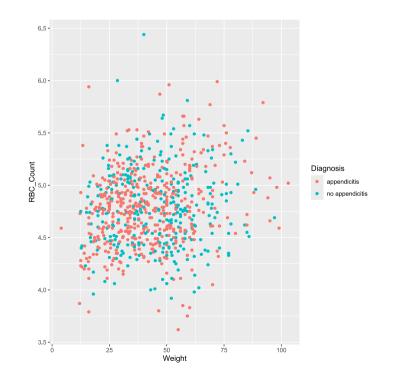
- Scatter Plot graphs points corresponding to each observation
- Common aes values (from cheat sheet):

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

• Only x =, y = are really needed

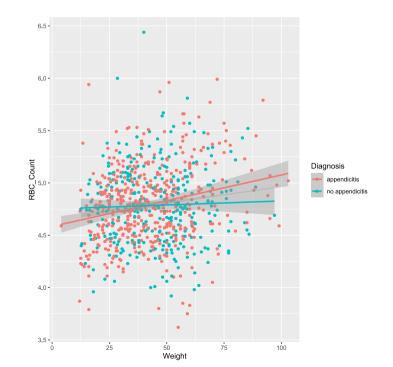
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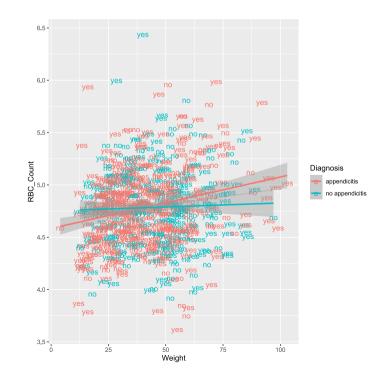
### ggplot2 Scatter Plots with Trend Line

• Add trend lines easily with geom\_smooth()



### ggplot2 Scatter Plots with Text Points

• Text for points with geom\_text()



### ggplot2 Scatter Plots with Text

• Can add a note to the plot with geom\_text() too

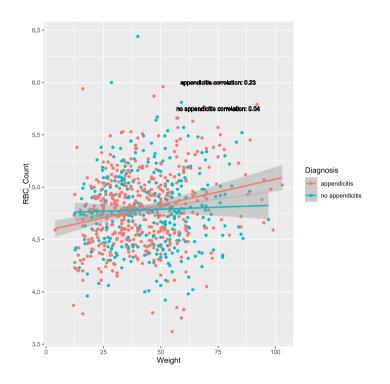
```
correlation <- app_data |>
   drop_na(RBC_Count, Weight, Diagnosis) |>
   filter(RBC_Count < 8) |>
   group_by(Diagnosis) |>
   select(RBC_Count, Weight, Diagnosis) |>
   summarize(cor_vals = cor(RBC_Count, Weight, use = "complete.obs"))
 correlation
## # A tibble: 2 x 2
## Diagnosis
                    cor_vals
   <chr>
                    <dbl>
## 1 appendicitis
                      0.233
## 2 no appendicitis
                      0.0353
```

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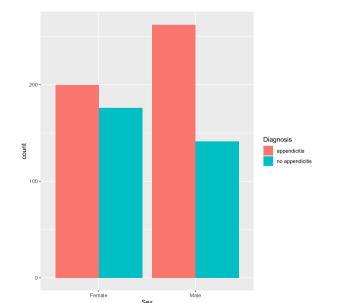
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Suppose we want to take one of our plots and produce similar plots across another variable!

How to create this plot across each Management category? Use faceting!

```
ggplot(data = app_data |> drop_na(SexF, DiagnosisF), aes(x = SexF, fill = DiagnosisF)) +
  geom_bar(position = "dodge") +
  labs(x = "Sex")+
  scale_fill_discrete("Diagnosis")
```



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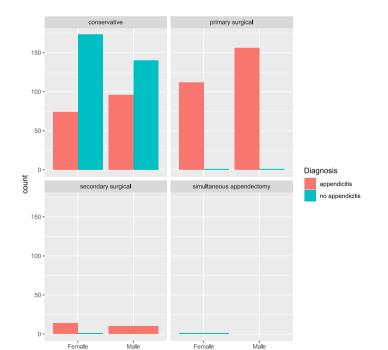
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facet\_grid(var1 ~ var2) - creats a plot for each combination of var1 and var2

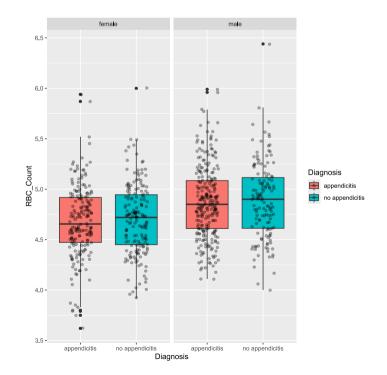
- var1 values across rows
- var2 values across columns
- Use . ~ var2 or var1 ~ . to have only one row or column

• facet\_wrap(~ var) - creates a plot for each setting of var

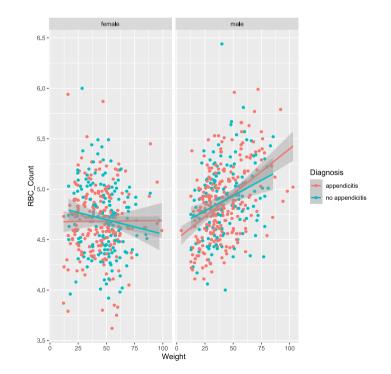
```
ggplot(data = app_data |> drop_na(SexF, DiagnosisF, Management), aes(x = SexF, fill = DiagnosisF)) +
  geom_bar(position = "dodge") +
  labs(x = "Sex")+
  scale_fill_discrete("Diagnosis") +
  facet_wrap(~ Management)
```



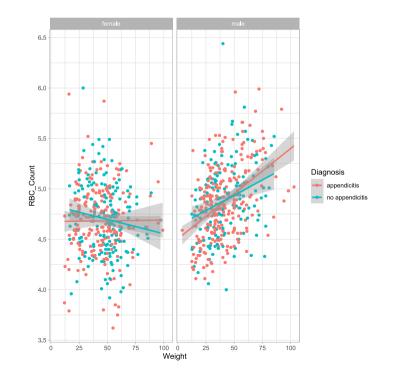
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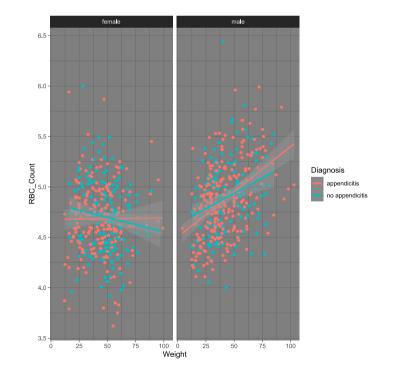
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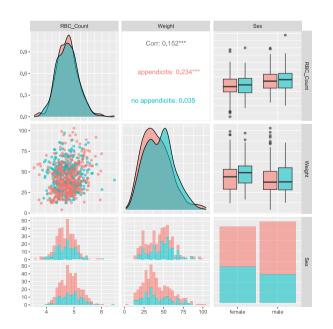
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#### ggplot2 Extensions

Many extension packages that do nice things!

• GGally package has the ggpairs() function



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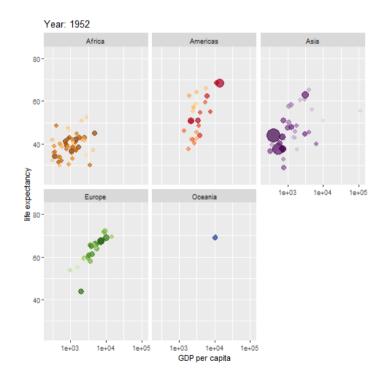
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### Recap!

General ggplot2 things:

- Can set local or global aes()
  - Generally, only need aes() if setting a mapping value that is dependent on the data
- Modify titles/labels by adding more layers
- Use either stat or geom layer
- Faceting (multiple plots) via facet\_grid() or facet\_wrap()
- esquisse is a great package for exploring ggplot2!

## Big Recap!

Goal: Understand types of data and their distributions

- Numerical summaries (across subgroups)
  - Contingency Tables
  - Mean/Median
  - Standard Deviation/Variance/IQR
  - Quantiles/Percentiles
- Graphical summaries (across subgroups)
  - Bar plots
  - Histograms
  - Box plots
  - Scatter plots