

# Basic Data Visualization with ggplot2

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# ggplot2 for Data Visualization



- skimr provides a simple summary of data
- ggplot2 as a grammar of graphics:
  - Basic scatterplot
  - Faceting for small multiples
  - Loess and linear regression layers
  - Reordering for easy comparisons
- Typical repeated measures data: "sleepstudy"
  - Reaction (reaction time)
  - Days (day of participation)
  - Subject (participant ID)
- Does sleep deprivation increase reaction times for people? in a uniform way?

# Useful Packages

- `library(skimr)` for skim
- `library(tidyverse)` for ggplot2, dplyr

# skimr to Summarize Data

```
library(skimr)
library(lme4) # For the sleep study data
sleep.df = sleepstudy
skim(sleep.df)
```

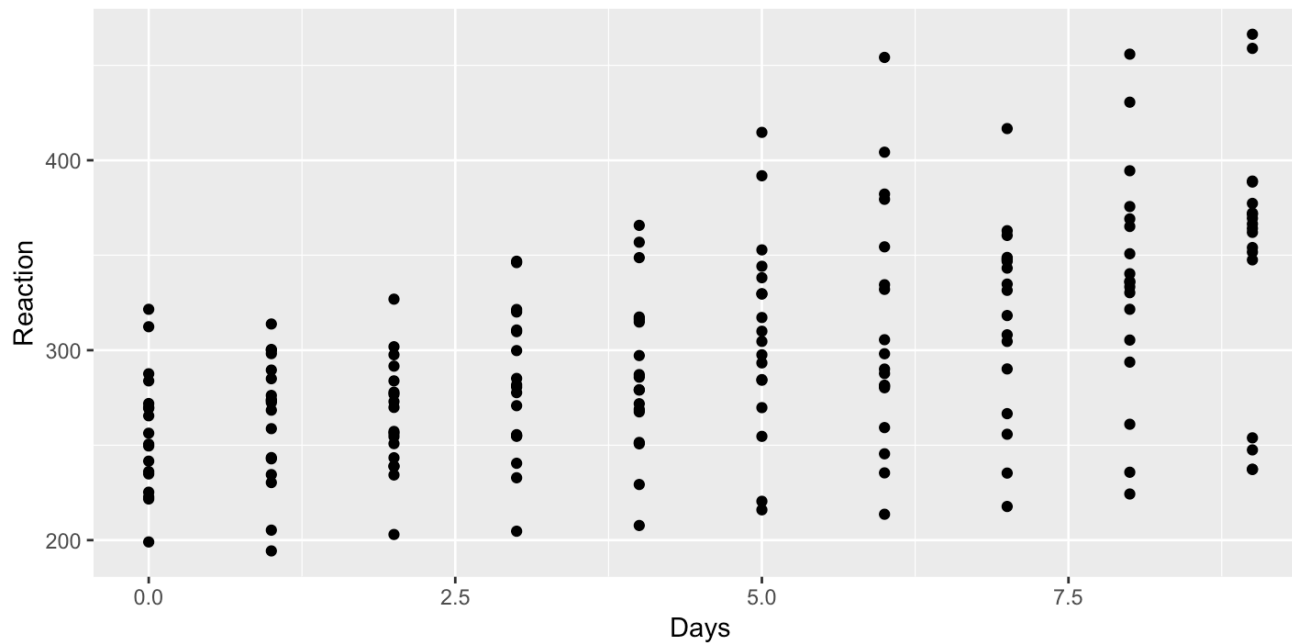
```
## Skim summary statistics
##  n obs: 180
##  n variables: 3
##
## — Variable type:factor —————
##  variable missing complete  n n_unique          top_counts
##  Subject          0        180 180          18 308: 10, 309: 10, 310: 10, 330: 10
##  ordered
##    FALSE
##
## — Variable type:numeric —————
##  variable missing complete  n  mean    sd    p0    p25    p50    p75
##    Days          0        180 180    4.5   2.88    0     2     4.5    7
##  Reaction        0        180 180 298.51 56.33 194.33 255.38 288.65 336.75
##  p100    hist
##    9    
##  466.35 
```

# Simple Scatterplot

Mapping variables to aesthetic properties of geometric elements

```
library(ggplot2)

ggplot(data = sleep.df, mapping = aes(x = Days, y = Reaction)) +
  geom_point()
```

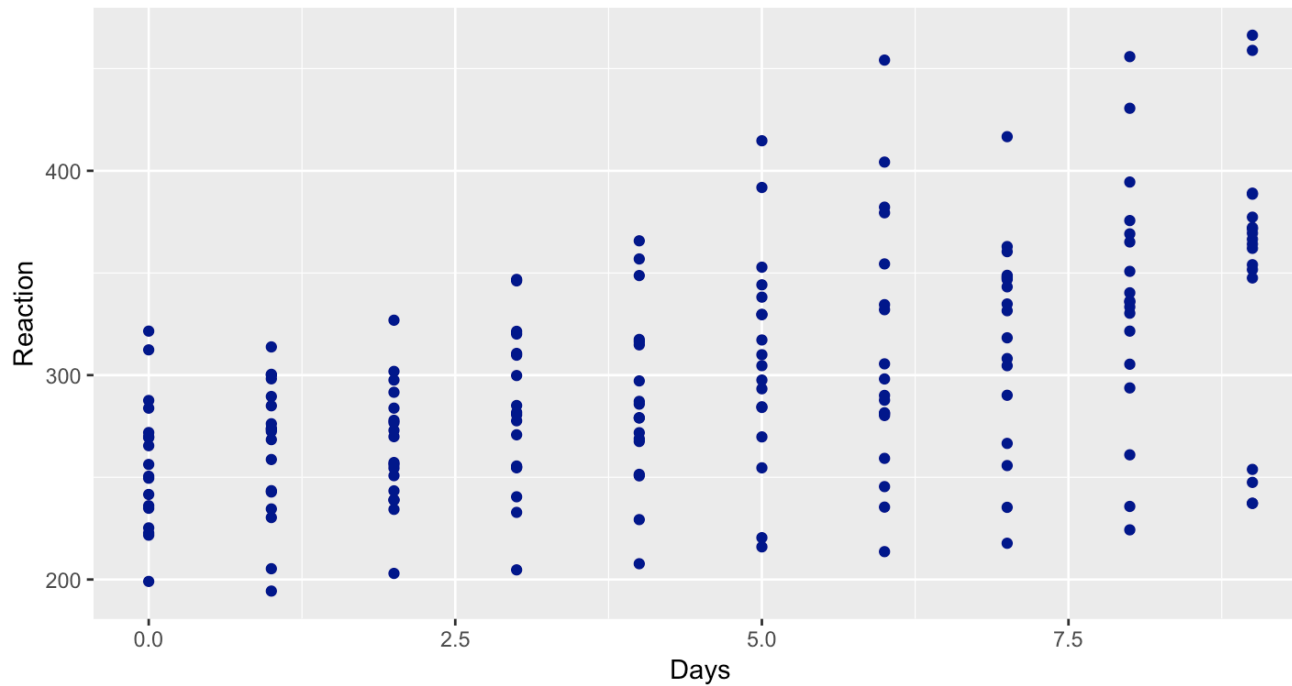


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# Simple Scatterplot

## Setting aesthetic properties

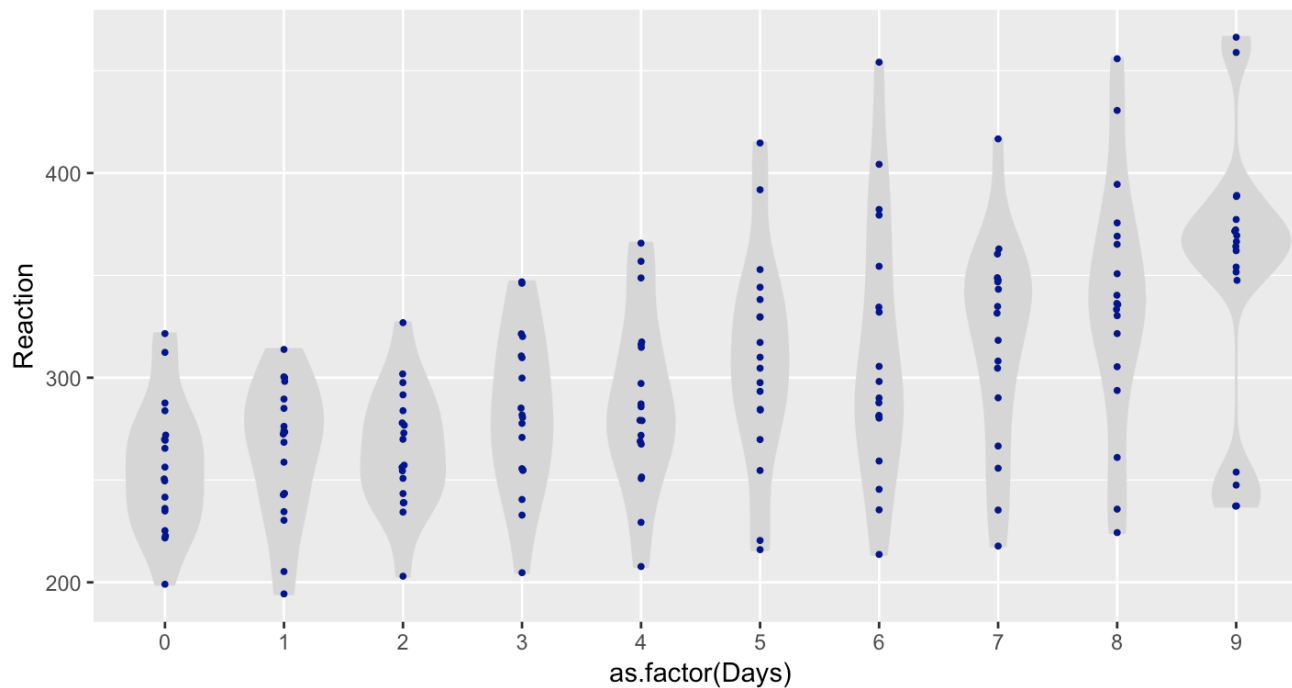
```
ggplot(data = sleep.df, mapping = aes(x = Days, y = Reaction)) +  
  geom_point(colour = "darkblue")
```



# Simple Scatterplot

## Layering geometric elements

```
ggplot(data = sleep.df, mapping = aes(x = as.factor(Days), y = Reaction)) +  
  geom_violin(fill = "grey85", colour = "grey85") +  
  geom_sina(colour = "darkblue", size = .7)
```

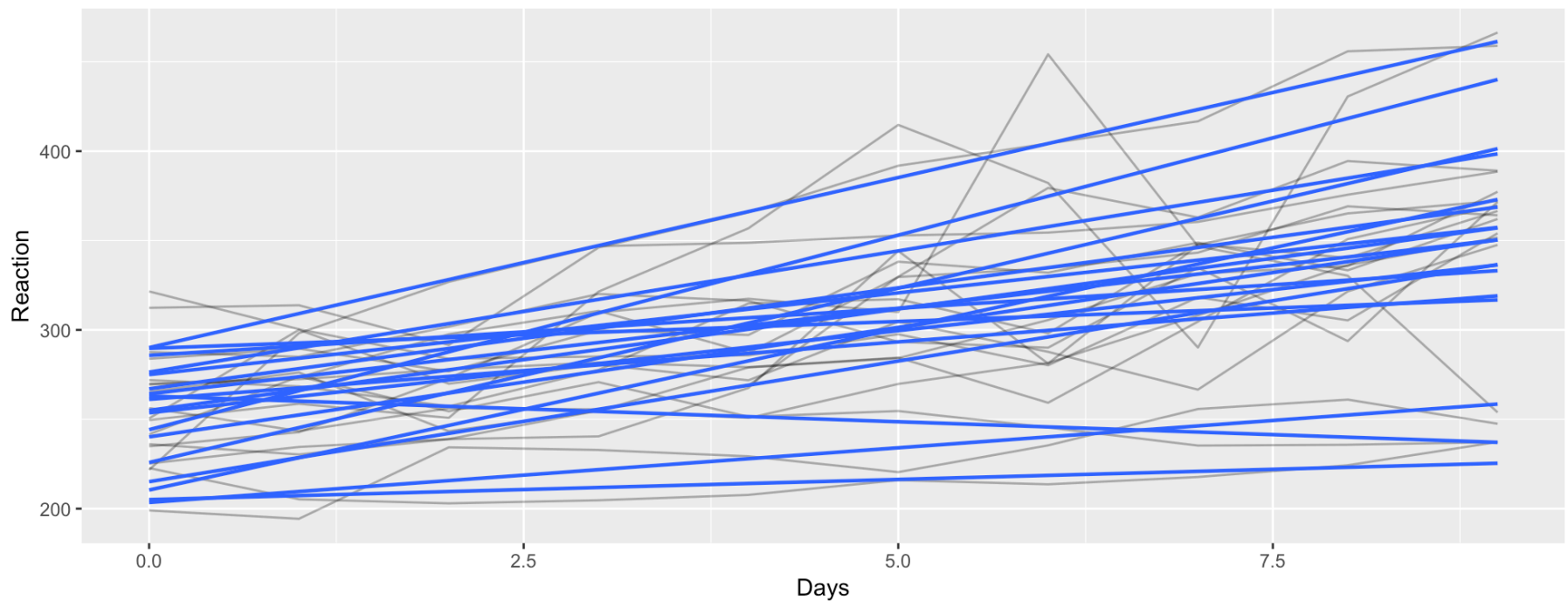


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# Grouped Scatterplot with Linear Regression

Slopes and intercepts both vary across people

```
ggplot(sleep.df, aes(Days, Reaction, group = Subject)) +  
  geom_line(alpha = .33) +  
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE, size = .8)
```



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# Exercise

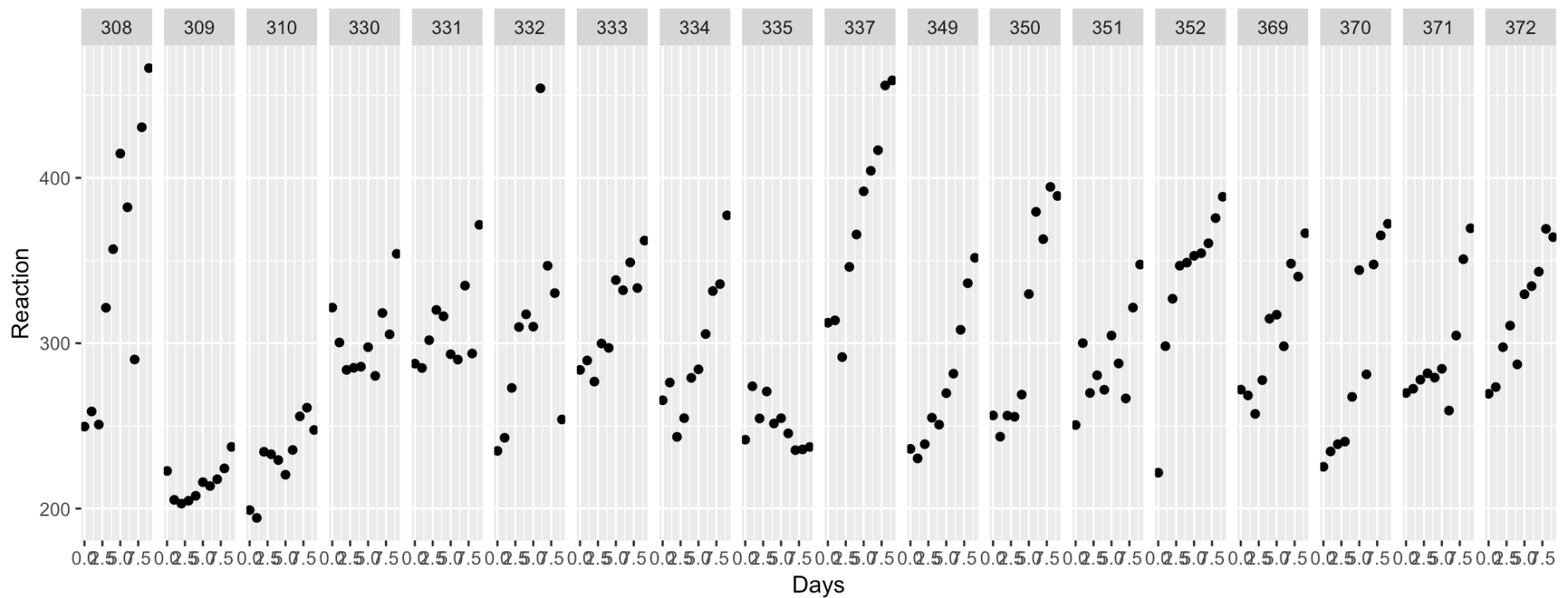
## Simple Scatterplot

- Replicate what we just showed in an R notebook – Create a Notebook:  
File>>New file>> R Notebook
- Load the lme, skimr, and ggplot2 packages
- Create the dataframe `sleep.df` by setting it equal to `sleepstudy`
- Use skimr to summarize the data
- Use ggplot2 to create simple scatterplot of reaction time and day, and set the color to `darkred`
- Divide code into blocks and add text to make understandable

# Faceted Scatterplot

Small multiples to show individual responses

```
ggplot(data = sleep.df, mapping = aes(x = Days, y = Reaction)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  facet_grid(.~Subject)
```

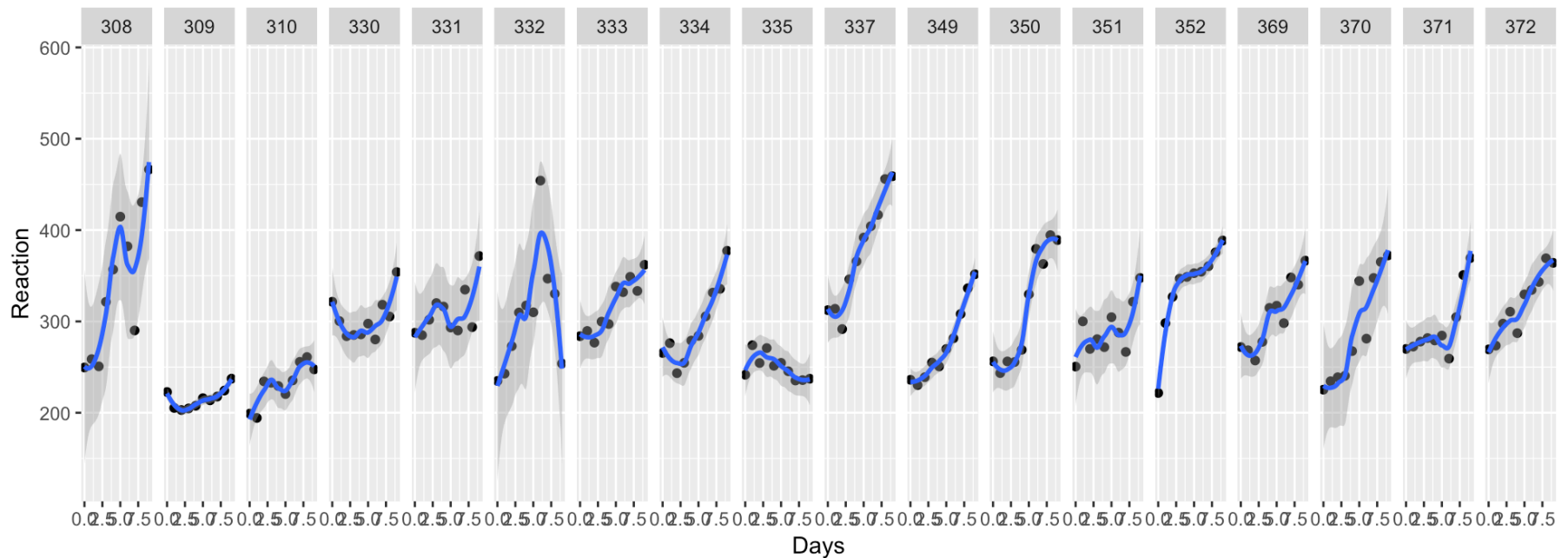


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# Faceted Scatterplot with Loess Fit

A layer of loess fits shows a linear model doesn't fit all participants

```
ggplot(sleep.df, aes(Days, Reaction)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_smooth(method = "loess") +  
  facet_grid(.~Subject)
```

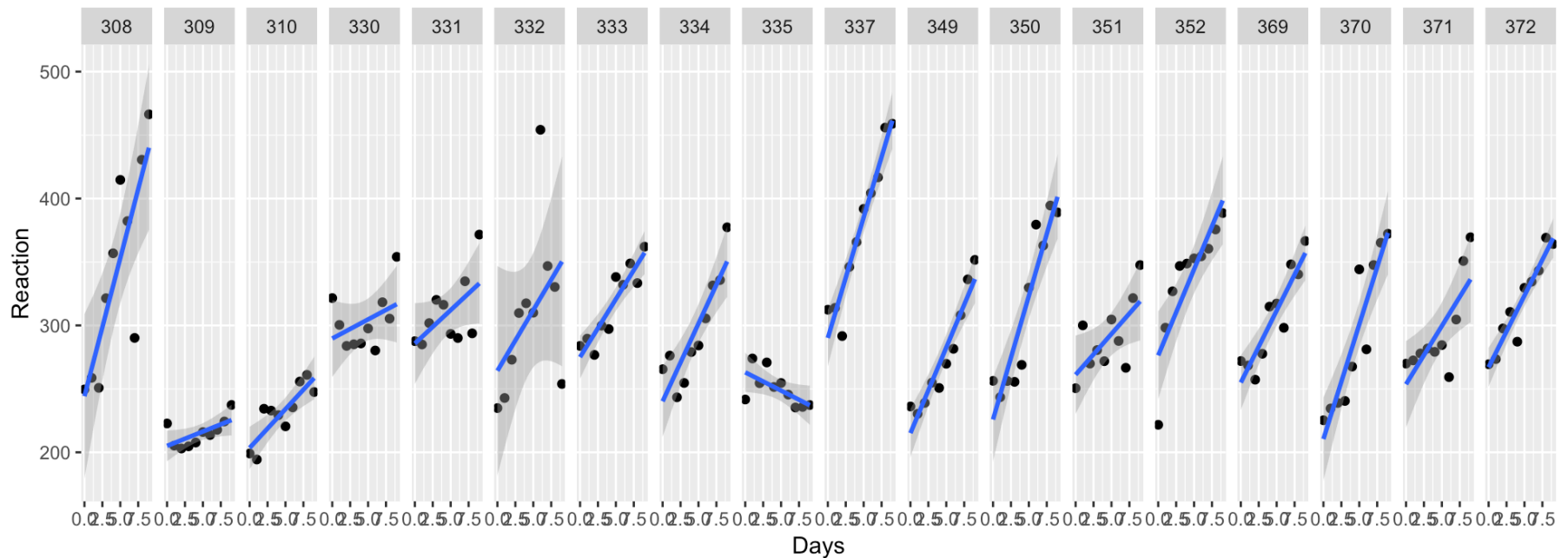


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# Faceted Scatterplot with Linear Regression

A linear model shows slopes and intercepts differ

```
ggplot(sleep.df, aes(Days, Reaction)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_smooth(method = "lm") +  
  facet_grid(.~Subject)
```



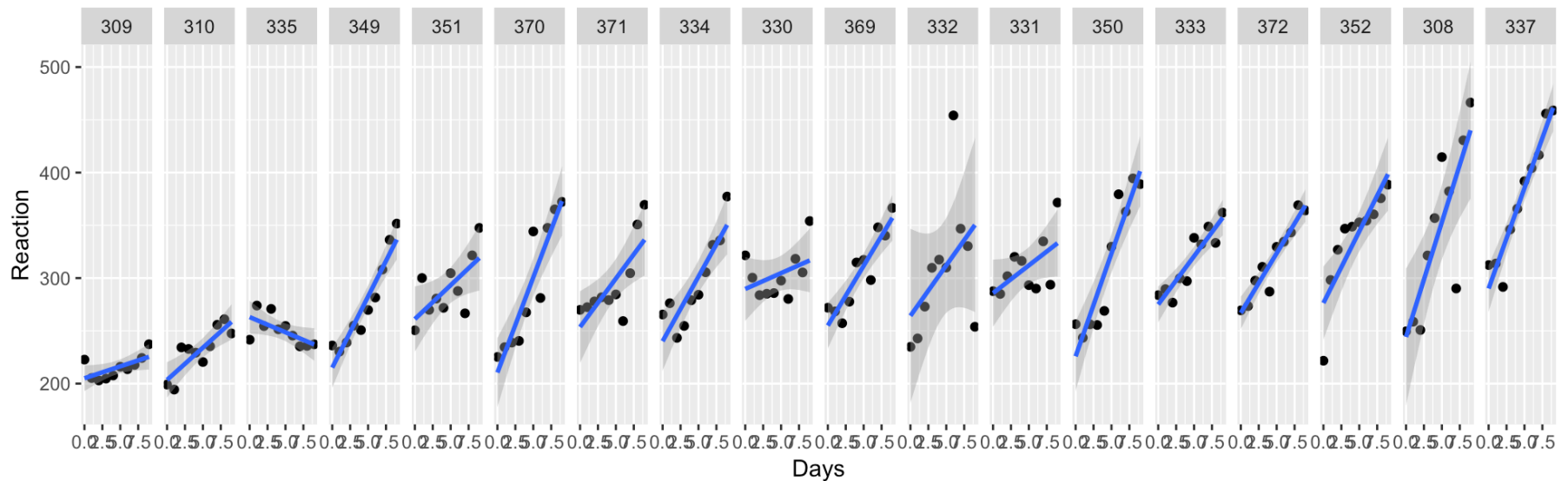
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# Faceted Scatterplot with Linear Regression

Subjects ordered by mean reaction time

```
sleep.df = sleep.df %>% mutate(Subject = reorder(Subject, Reaction, mean))
```

```
ggplot(sleep.df, aes(Days, Reaction)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_smooth(method = "lm") +  
  facet_grid(.~Subject)
```



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# Exercise

Replicate the faceted scatterplot by adding it to your R notebook

- Create a scatterplot faceted by `Subject`
- Try `+ facet_grid(.~Subject)` and `+ facet_grid(Subject~.)`
- Add a layer of `+ geom_smooth()`
- Order Subjects by standard deviation of `Reaction`

# Visualization: A critical first step for any modeling

- Loess and linear regression layers
- Faceting for small multiples
- Reordering for easy comparisons

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