

# Lab 4

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## 1. Read in the data

```
met <- data.table::fread("met_all.gz")
```

Warning in data.table::fread("met\_all.gz"): Discarded single-line footer:  
<<721042,486,2019,8,20,15,35,28.228,-82.156,27,100,5,N,3.6,5,1036,5,M,N,16093,5,N,5,30>>

## 2. Prepare the data

```
met <- met[met$temp >= -17, ]  
met[met$temp %in% c(9999, 999)] <- NA  
met[met$wind.sp %in% c(9999, 999)] <- NA  
met[met$dew.point %in% c(9999, 999)] <- NA  
met[met$date %in% c(9999, 999)] <- NA  
met[met$elev %in% c(9999, 999)] <- NA  
met[met$wind.dir %in% c(9999, 999)] <- NA
```

```
met$date <- as.Date(paste(met$year, met$month, met$day, sep = "-"), format = "%Y-%m-%d")
```

```
library(data.table)  
library(lubridate)
```

Attaching package: 'lubridate'

The following objects are masked from 'package:data.table':

hour, isoweek, mday, minute, month, quarter, second, wday, week,  
yday, year

The following objects are masked from 'package:base':

date, intersect, setdiff, union

```
met[, week_of_year := week(date)]  
met <- met[day(date) <= 7]
```

```
mean_by_station <- met[, .(  
  mean_temp = mean(temp, na.rm = TRUE),  
  mean_rh = mean(rh, na.rm = TRUE),  
  mean_wind_sp = mean(wind.sp, na.rm = TRUE),  
  mean_vis_dist = mean(vis.dist, na.rm = TRUE),  
  mean_dew_point = mean(dew.point, na.rm = TRUE),  
  mean_lat = mean(lat, na.rm = TRUE),  
  mean_lon = mean(lon, na.rm = TRUE),  
  mean_elev = mean(elev, na.rm = TRUE)  
) , by = USAFID]  
head(mean_by_station, 10) # Displays the first 10 rows
```

	USAFID	mean_temp	mean_rh	mean_wind_sp	mean_vis_dist	mean_dew_point
	<int>	<num>	<num>	<num>	<num>	<num>
1:	690150	34.07560	15.67014	3.7410714	16016.375	3.402381
2:	720110	31.19246	52.32596	1.7515873	15984.442	19.321429
3:	720113	24.40505	60.28099	1.5630934	16068.355	15.386064
4:	720120	25.64310	88.30706	1.7730640	15315.468	23.451178
5:	720137	23.16885	68.98459	1.4380952	15965.278	16.398016
6:	720151	28.76667	34.36229	2.8007937	16057.877	10.327381
7:	720169	23.79150	78.64946	0.9726721	15386.128	19.285425
8:	720170	24.92540	77.99549	0.8345238	8254.121	20.404365
9:	720172	28.21000	78.65215	0.5964824	15149.545	23.974490
10:	720175	27.38596	72.99504	1.2292135	15372.000	21.652247
	mean_lat	mean_lon	mean_elev			
	<num>	<num>	<num>			
1:	34.29995	-116.16595	695.1548			
2:	30.78400	-98.66200	336.0000			
3:	42.54300	-83.17800	222.0000			

```

4: 32.21733 -80.69986 6.0000
5: 41.42500 -88.41900 178.0000
6: 30.38300 -103.68300 1315.0000
7: 38.58300 -91.00000 149.0000
8: 37.18600 -88.75100 117.0000
9: 34.54500 -94.20300 329.0000
10: 33.63600 -91.75600 82.0000

```

```

met[, region := fifelse(lat >= 39.71 & lon < -98, "NW",
                        fifelse(lat >= 39.71 & lon >= -98, "NE",
                        fifelse(lat < 39.71 & lon < -98, "SW", "SE")))]

```

```

met[, elev_cat := fifelse(elev > 252, "high", "low")]

```

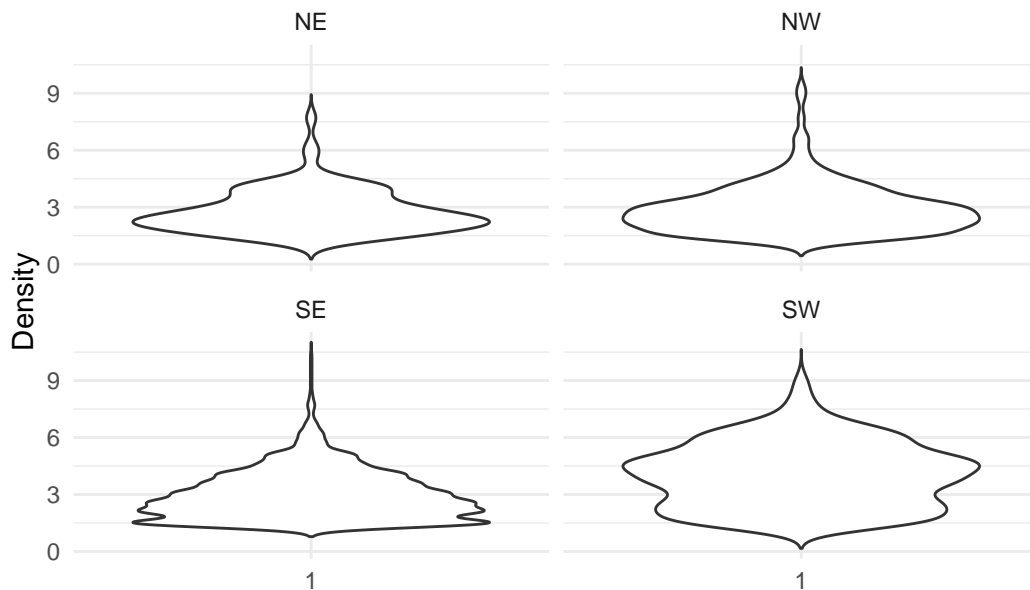
### 3. Use `geom_violin` to examine the wind speed and dew point by region

```

library(ggplot2)
ggplot(na.omit(met), aes(x = factor(1), y = wind.sp)) +
  geom_violin(trim = FALSE) +
  facet_wrap (~region) +
  labs(x = "wind speed", y = "Density", title = "Geom_violin plot of Wind Speed by Region") +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(axis.title.x = element_blank())

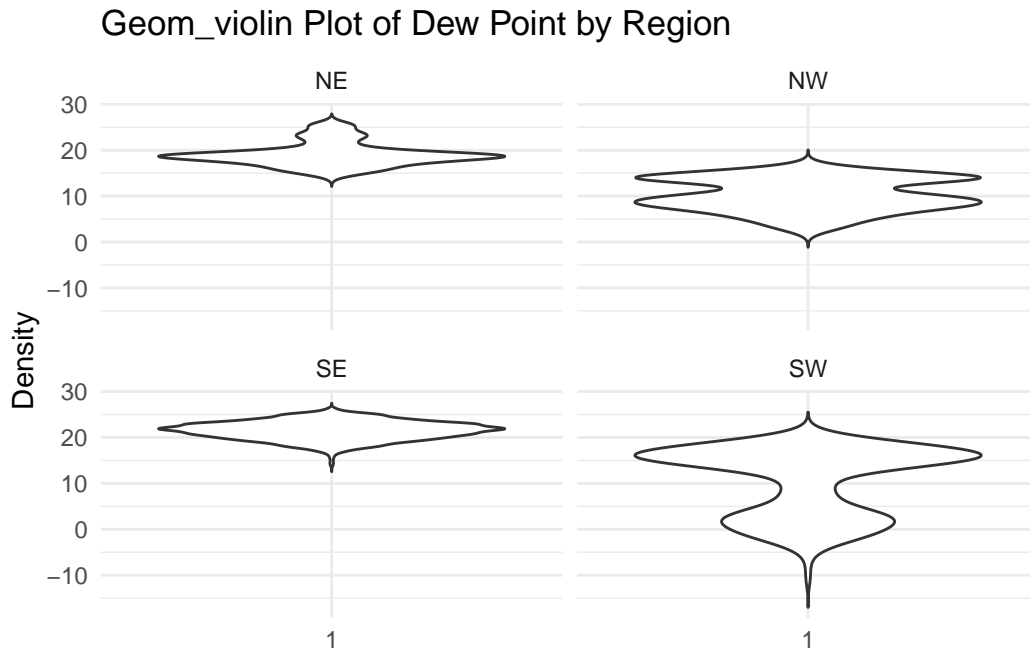
```

## Geom\_violin plot of Wind Speed by Region



Looking at the violin plots, it seems that NE, NW, and SE regions have a pretty low density of wind speed values looking at the section that is the widest for the respective regions. However, the SW region does seem to have the most variation in wind speed values as we can see that there are more wider sections at varying density distributions.

```
ggplot(na.omit(met), aes(x = factor(1), y = dew.point)) +  
  geom_violin(trim = FALSE) +  
  facet_wrap(~ region) +  
  labs(x = "Dew Point", y = "Density", title = "Geom_violin Plot of Dew Point by Region") +  
  theme_minimal() +  
  theme(axis.title.x = element_blank())
```

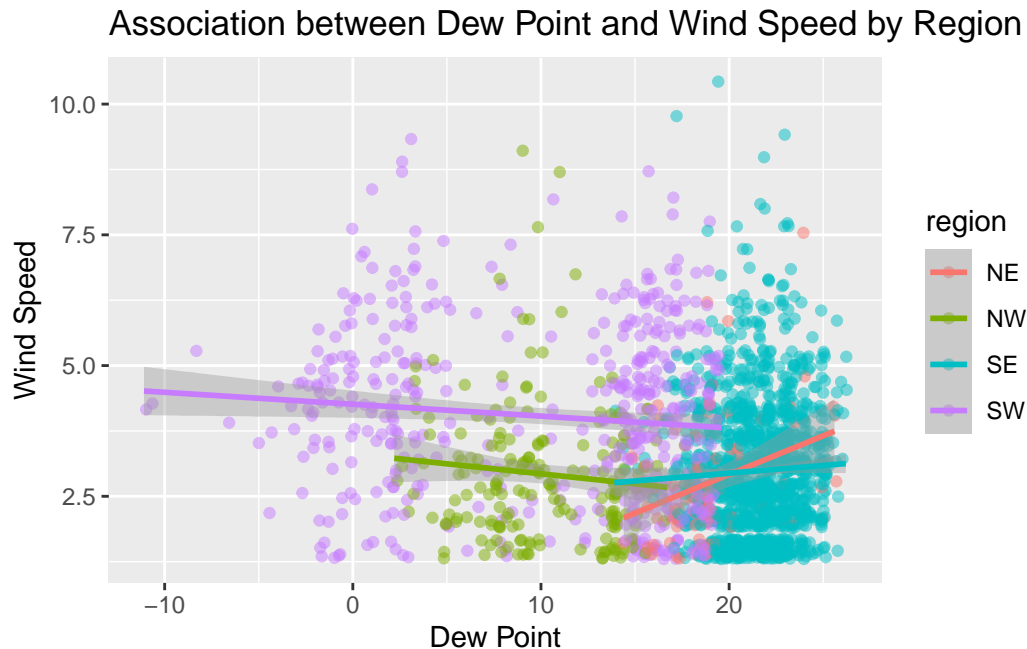


In this plot, it appears that NE and SE regions have a similar dew point concentration at around the same density distribution. Again, the SW region seems to be the one that varies the most with most of its dew point concentration located at higher density and the next majority of the concentration is in lower density. In contrast, the NE and SE regions have a higher dew point concentration at higher density and higher wind speeds at lower densities.

#### 4. Use `geom_jitter` with `stat_smooth` to examine the association between dew point and wind speed by region

```
ggplot(na.omit(met), aes(x = dew.point, y = wind.sp, color = region)) +
  geom_jitter(alpha = 0.5, width = 0.2, height = 0.2) +
  stat_smooth(method = "lm", se = TRUE) +
  labs(x = "Dew Point", y = "Wind Speed", title = "Association between Dew Point and Wind Speed")
```

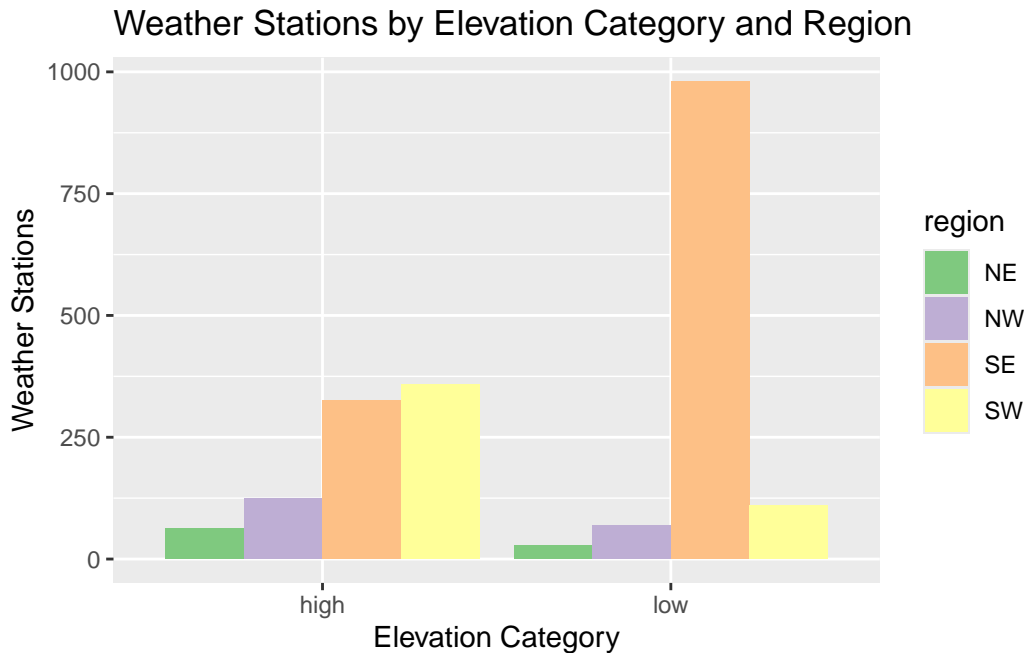
``geom_smooth()`` using formula = 'y ~ x'



There seems to be a slight negative correlation between wind speed and dew point looking at NW and SW regions. However, this differs from the NE and SE regions with a slightly positive association in dew point and wind speed. It appears that for the SE region, a higher dew point is found at a lower wind speed. On the contrary, a lower dew point for the SW region appear to be related to a higher wind speed. The difference in regression lines or association between the NW and SW regions with the SE and NE regions can be due to climatic effects and even the effect of ocean currents.

## 5. Use `geom_bar` to create barplots of the weather stations by elevation category colored by region

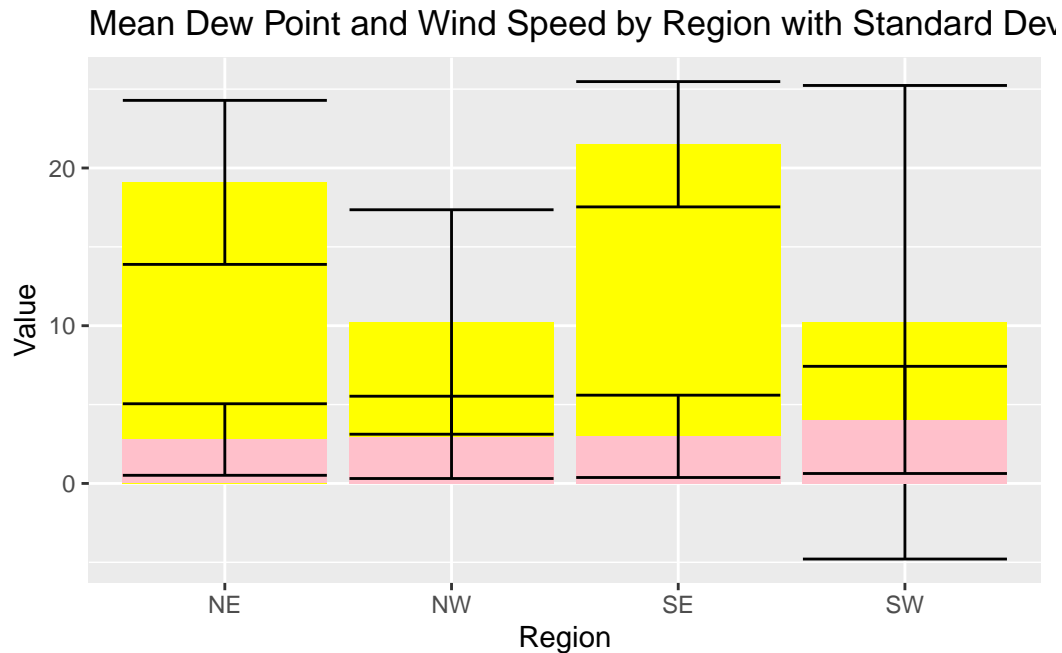
```
ggplot(na.omit(met), aes(x = elev_cat, fill = region)) +
  geom_bar(position = "dodge") +
  scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Accent") +
  labs(x = "Elevation Category", y = "Weather Stations", title = "Weather Stations by Elevation Category")
```



From the graph, it is clear that the SE region has the most weather stations in lower elevation categories while SW has the most weather stations in the higher elevation categories. The significant number of weather stations in the SE region located at a lower elevation can indicate that major climatic occurrences are of importance at this elevation in the SE region.

## 6. Use `stat_summary` to examine mean dew point and wind speed by region with standard deviation error bars

```
ggplot(na.omit(met)) +
  stat_summary(aes(x = region, y = dew.point),
    fun.data = "mean_sdl", geom = "bar", fill = "yellow") +
  stat_summary(aes(x = region, y = dew.point), fun.data = "mean_sdl", geom = "errorbar") +
  stat_summary(aes(x = region, y = wind.sp), fun.data = "mean_sdl", geom = "bar", fill = "pink") +
  stat_summary(aes(x = region, y = wind.sp), fun.data = "mean_sdl", geom = "errorbar") +
  labs(x = "Region", y = "Value", title = "Mean Dew Point and Wind Speed by Region with Standard Deviation Error Bars")
```



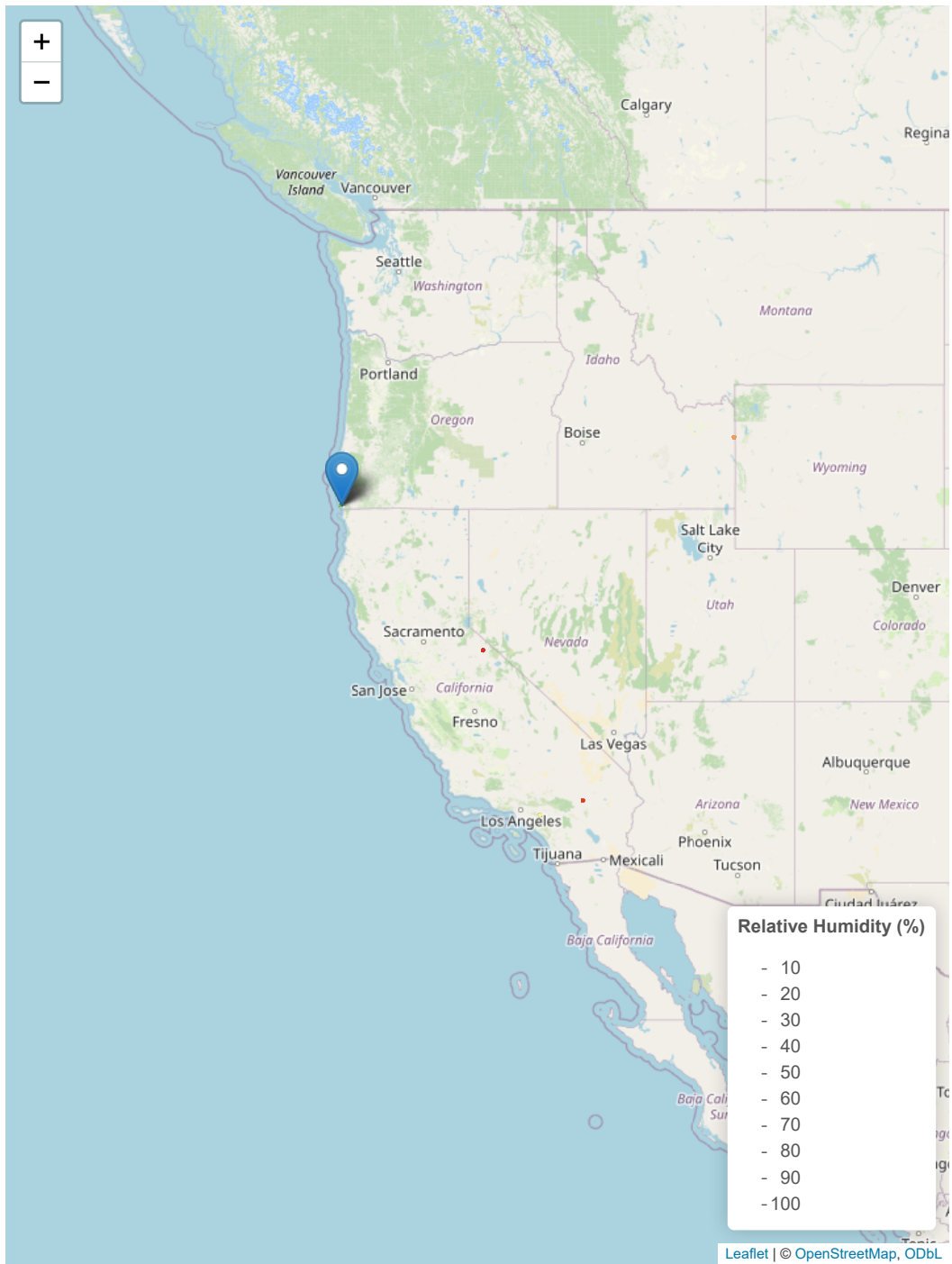
The dew point and wind speed seem to be significantly different between NE and SE regions. However, there does appear to be an overlap in error bars between dew point and wind speed in the NW and SW regions. Dew point is higher in NE and SE regions. There appears to be the most variation in dew point and wind speed in the SW region shown by the larger error bars.

## 7. Make a map showing the spatial trend in relative humidity in the US

```
library(leaflet)
library(RColorBrewer)
met_clean <- na.omit(met)
palette <- colorNumeric(palette = brewer.pal(11, "RdYlGn"), domain = met_clean$rh)
top_rh <- met_clean[order(-rh)][1:10]
leaflet(data = met_clean) |>
  addTiles() |>
  addCircles(
    lng = ~lon,
    lat = ~lat,
    weight = 1,
    radius = 500,
    color = ~palette(rh),
```



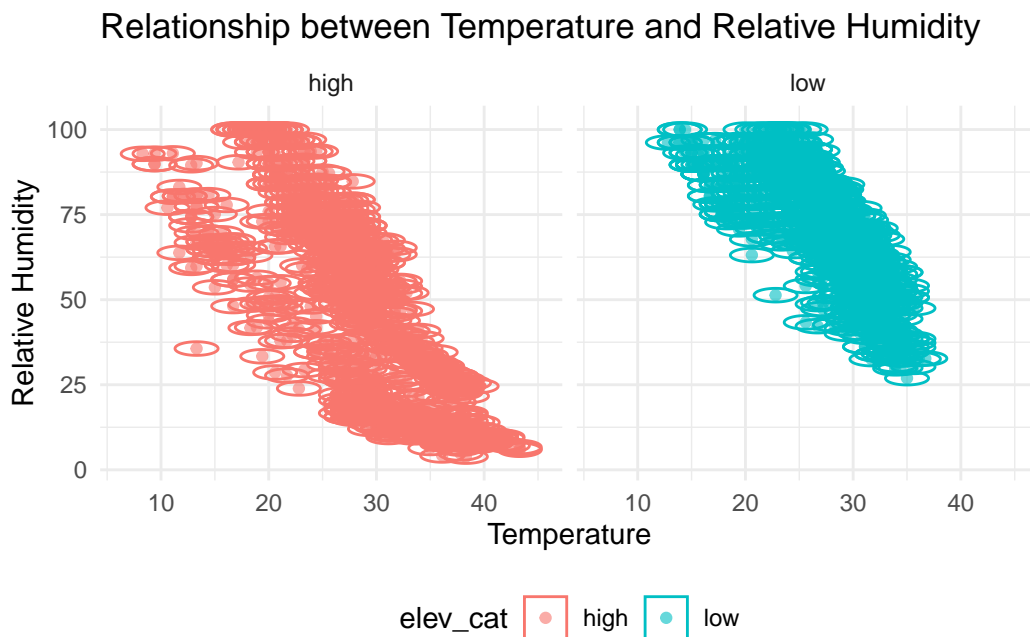
```
stroke = TRUE,  
fillOpacity = 0.5) |>  
addMarkers(  
data = top_rh,  
lng = ~lon,  
lat = ~lat,  
popup = ~paste("USAFID:", USAFID) ) |>  
addLegend("bottomright",  
pal = palette,  
values = ~rh,  
title = "Relative Humidity (%)",  
opacity = 1)
```



Relative humidity seems to be the lowest in California and in Texas and in areas west in general. However, moving towards the east region, we can see that relative humidity increases, especially looking at the NE and SE regions.

## 8. Use a ggplot extension

```
library(ggforce)
ggplot(met_clean, aes(x = temp, y = rh, color = elev_cat)) +
  geom_point(alpha = 0.6) +
  geom_circle(aes(x0 = temp, y0 = rh, r = 2), alpha = 0.2) +
  facet_wrap(~ elev_cat) +
  labs(title = 'Relationship between Temperature and Relative Humidity',
       x = 'Temperature',
       y = 'Relative Humidity') +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(legend.position = "bottom")
```



```
library(ggplot2)
library(patchwork)
p1 <- ggplot(met_clean) + geom_point(aes(rh, wind.sp))
p2 <- ggplot(met_clean) + geom_boxplot(aes(elev_cat, wind.sp, group = elev_cat))
```

```
p3 <- ggplot(met_clean) + geom_smooth(aes(dew.point, wind.sp))
p4 <- ggplot(met_clean) + geom_bar(aes(region))
(p1 | p2 | p3) /
  p4
```

`geom\_smooth()` using method = 'gam' and formula = 'y ~ s(x, bs = "cs")'

