# **Gadfly Reference Card**

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#### 1 Introduction

Gadfly was developed by Daniel Jones to provide a system for plotting and visualization based on ggplot2 and the book "The Grammar of Graphics" Details and examples can be found in the manual. http://dcjones.github.io/Gadflv.jl

Grammar represents an abstraction of objects aiming to shorten the distance from mind to page by mapping data to aesthetic attributes and geometric objects. Think of looking at how v changes with x across levels of z.

Pkg.add("Gadfly") to install Load with using Gadfly

### 2 Invoking Plot.

This form is the standard "grammar of graphics" method of plotting. Data is supplied in the form of a dataframe, columns of the data are bound to aesthetics, and plot elements including scales, coordinates, statistics, guides, and geometries are added to the plot. Conventional with dataframes

```
plot(data::AbstractDataFrame. elements::Element...: mapping...)
plot(dfname, x="c1", y="c2")
                                                generates plot of y vs x with points
plot(dfname, x="c1", y="c2", Geom.lines)
                                                generates plot of v vs x with lines
plot(df ..., color="c3", ...point)
                                                add colors based on categories in c3
Traditional with vectors (columns)
plot(elements::Element...: mapping...)
plot(x=collect(1:20).v=fn(same length))
                                                using arrays
Functions and Expressions
```

plot(f::Function.a.b. elements::Element...) @plot(expr. a. b) plot([sin, cos], 0, 10pi) Plot sin and cos of 0 to 10pi radians

Set the default plot size

set default plot size(1cm,8cm)

3 Modifying Aesthetics

plot(..., color = "c3", ...) middle, lower hinge, upper hinge, lower fence, upper fence, outliers x min, x max, y min, y max x, x min, x max, y, y min, y max

color based on categories in c3 aesthetics for box plots

aesthetics for rectbin aesthetics for error bars

Themes are covered in section 9

### 4 Geometries do the actual drawing

```
plot(..., Geom.point, ...)
                                                use points (default)
plot(..., Geom.lines, ...)
                                                use lines
plot(..., Geom.histogram(bincount=10))
                                                use histogram
plot(..., Geom.bar, ...)
                                                bar chart.
plot(..., Geom.bar, Geom.errorbar)
                                                 if colored, position=:stack or :dodge
                                                use colored 2d rectangles
plot(..., Geom.rectbin, color="c3")
plot(x=1:length(sds), y=ys, ymin=ymins,
                                                plot error bars
ymax=ymaxs, Geom.point, Geom.errorbar)
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plot(...color="c3", Geom.point, Geom.smooth) add loess smoothing of chart points plot(.... vintercept=[1.0, 2.0].Geom.hline(color="red", size=3mm)) plot(..., xintercept=[1.0, 2.0], Geom.vline) add vertical line(s) to chart other variations

add horizontal line(s) to chart

see statistics

#### 4 Statistics transform the one or more aesthetics

Stat.boxplot plot(dfname, x="c1", y="c2", Geom.boxplot) Stat.density plot(df, x="price", Geom.density) Geom.rectbin with Stat.histogram2d plot(dfname, x="c1", Geom.histogram2d) Geom.line with Stat.smooth plot(...color="c3", Geom.point, Geom.smooth) outputs the middle, and upper and lower hinge, and upper and lower fence aesthetics output line with kernel density estimate from data heatmap style with density as colour

smoothing of data: method (loess): smoothing=blahblah

#### **5 Guides** draw graphics to support the visualization such as axis ticks, labels and keys

plot(.... Guide.xlabel="Time") plot(.... Guide.colorkev("Kev Title")) and vlabel: override auto-labelling

### **6 Scales** transform the data to aid visualization

Scale.x discrete Scale.x continuous( ... ) minvalue, maxvalue, format=:scientific (or :plain or :auto) Scale.x log10 Scale.v log10 Scale.x\_log2, Scale.x\_log Scale.x asinh, Scale.x sgrt

categorical - equally spaced coords continuous variables (x and y) aesthetics

apply logarithmic scaling to axis

# 7 Showing Facets and Layers

Facets are supported with subplot grid set default plot size(20cm, 30cm) plot(df,xgroup="c4", ygroup="c5", x="c1", y="c2", Geom.subplot grid(Geom.point))

Set plot size for multiple facets Plot grouped subplots

layer(x="c1", y="c2, Geom.point, color="c3") for each of many layers on one chart

# 8 Output to other Formats

draw(PNG("myplot.svg", 6inch, 3inch), plot(...)) draw(D3("myplot.js", 15cm, 20cm), plot(...))

Also PNG, PDF, SVG and PS

#### 9 Themes

Many parameters controlling the appearance of plots can be overridden by passing a

Theme object to the plot function.

default point size Size of points in the point and boxplot geometry. (Measure)

line width Width of lines in the line geometry. (Measure)

panel fill Background color used in the main plot panel. (ColorValue or

Nothing)

panel stroke Border color of the main plot panel. (ColorValue or Nothing) default color

When the color aesthetic is not bound, geometry uses this color

for drawing. (ColorValue)

grid color Color of grid lines. (ColorValue or Nothing)

grid color focused In the D3 backend, mousing over the plot makes the grid lines

emphasised by transitioning to this color. (ColorValue or

Nothing)

Width of grid lines. (Measure) grid line width

minor label font Font used for minor labels such as guide entries and labels.

(String)

minor label font size Font size used for minor labels. (Measure) minor label color Color used for minor labels. (ColorValue)

major label font Font used for major labels usch as guide titles and axis labels.

(String)

major label font size Font size used for major labels. (Measure) maior label color Color used for major labels. (ColorValue

quide label position Justification (default or :left)

bar spacing Spacing between bars in Geom.bar. (Measure)

boxplot spacing Spacing between boxplots in Geom.boxplot. (Measure)

errorbar cap length Length of caps on error bars. (Measure)

highlight width Width of lines drawn around plot geometry like points, and

boxplot rectangles. (Measure)

Color used to outline plot geometry. This is a function that highlight color

alters (e.g. darkens) the fill color of the geometry. (Function)

Color altering function used to draw the midline in boxplots. middle color

(Function)

middle width Width of the middle line in boxplots. (Measure)

colorkey swatch shape Shape of color key (default or :circle)

Example: Theme(quide label position=:left, default point size=1mm)