

BSA - Student Faculty Seminar

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Introduction to ggplot2

ggplot2:

- based on Leland Wilkinson's Grammar of Graphics
- formal structured perspective on how to describe graphics
- references:
 - 1 R Graphics Cookbook by Winston Chang
 - 2 ggplot2: Elegant Graphics for Data Analysis by Hadley Wickham

Introduction to ggplot2

Basic Structure:

- 1 Start with ggplot object
- 2 add components with +
- 3 print

Terminology

- data: What we want to visualize
- geom_: geometric objects that are drawn to represent the data [geom_bar, geom_line, ect]
- aes: aesthetic attributes, the visual properties of geoms [x, y, line color, point shapes, ect]
- scales: control the mapping of data values to aesthetics
- guides: show the viewer how to interpret the visual representation [tick marks, axis labels, ect]

Know thy data..

- The structure of the data (long vs. wide) will play a role in how you build the ggplot objects.
- The format (continuous, categorical, time, ordinal) of variables will play a role in the type of components that you can add to your ggplot object.

```
##           scale per.fny.reports per.athena.reports fny.cdc.cor a
## 1 regional          9.915429          10.079645    0.7551514
## 2 regional          7.251376           5.882256    0.6558362
## 3 regional         11.259143         15.224074    0.7363470
## 4 regional         11.831616         22.421978    0.8028679
```

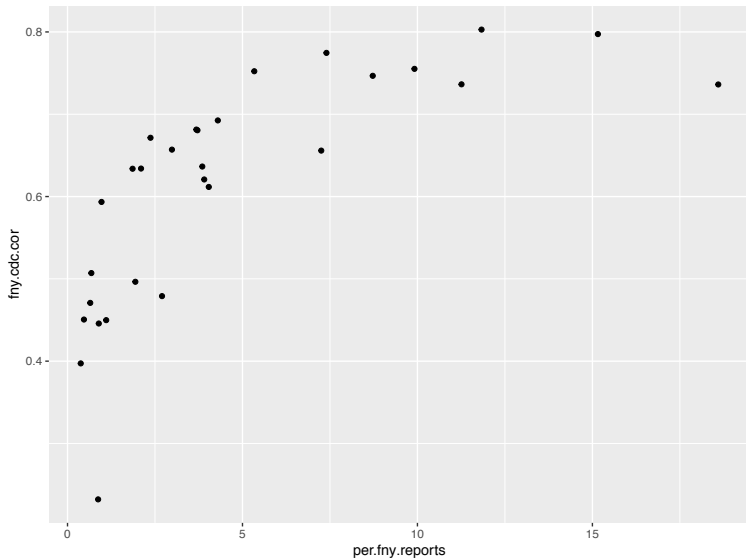
Step 1: create scatterplot

object

```
p1<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor))
```

component

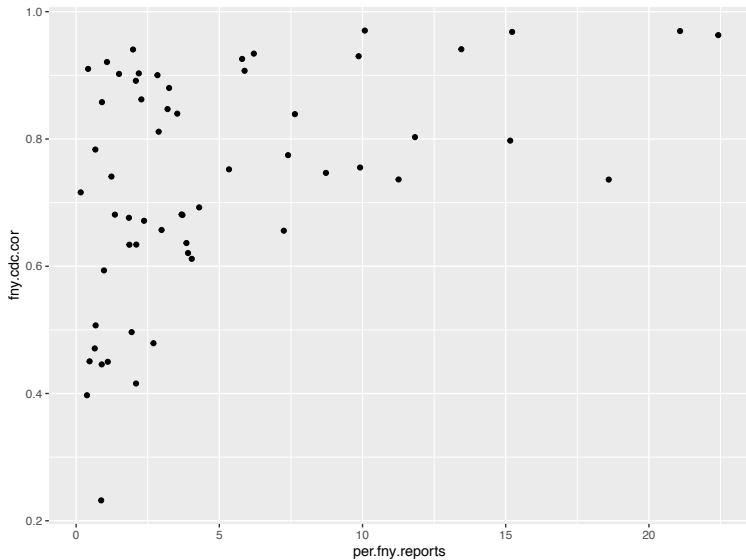
Step 1: create scatterplot



Step 2: add 2nd variable

```
p2<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor))+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor))
```

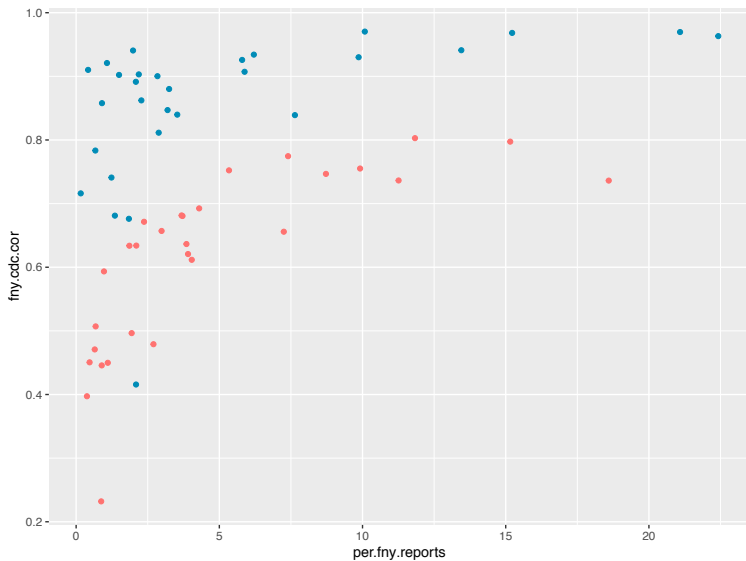

Step 2: add 2nd variable



Step 3: distinguish colors

```
p3<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor),  
             color="#FF7270")+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor),  
             color="#008CB7")
```

Step 3: distinguish colors



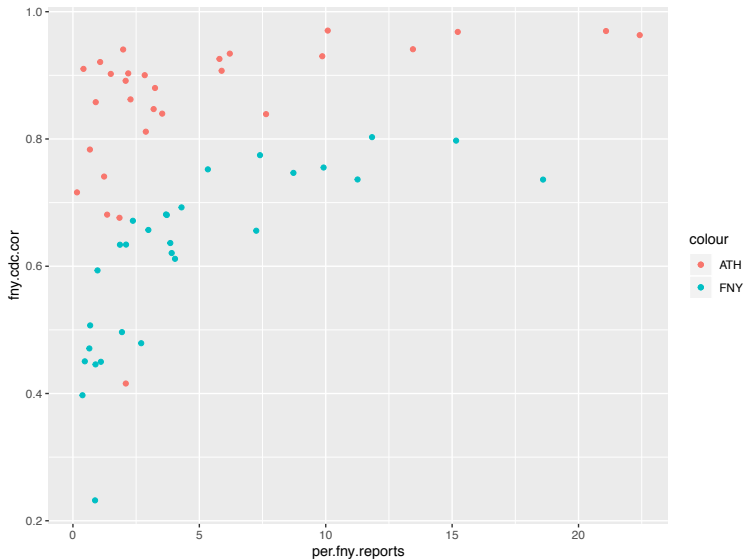
Step 4: add legend

within aes



```
p4<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor,  
                 color="FNY"))+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor,  
                 color="ATH"))
```

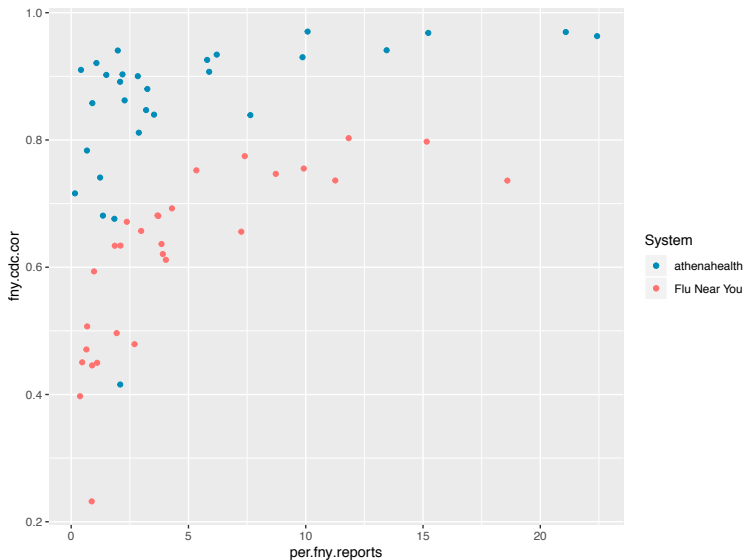
Step 4: add legend



Step 5: add legend and specify colors

```
p5<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor,  
                 color="FNY"))+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports,y=athena.cdc.cor,  
                 color="ATH"))+  
  scale_color_manual(name="System",  
    labels = c("athenahealth", "Flu Near You"),  
    values=c(ATH="#008CB7", FNY="#FF7270"))
```

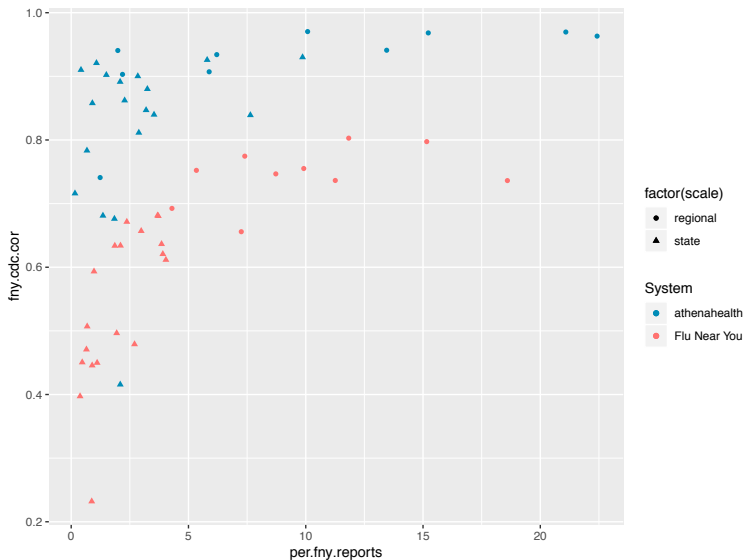
Step 5: add legend and specify colors



Step 6: add shapes to distinguish geographical resolutions

```
p6<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor,  
                 color="FNY", shape = factor(scale)))+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor,  
                 color="ATH", shape = factor(scale)))+  
  scale_color_manual(name="System", labels = c("athenahealth"  
                                              values=c(ATH="#008CB7", FNY="#FF7270"))
```

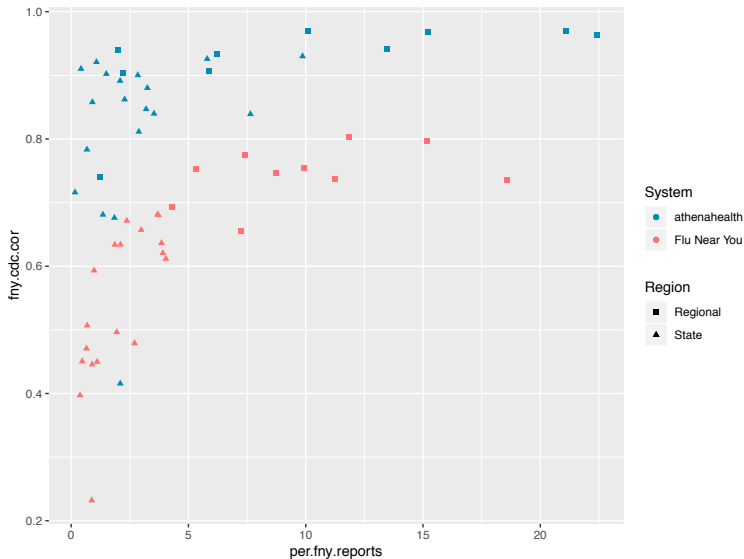

Step 6: add shapes to distinguish geographical resolutions



Step 7: change shapes

```
p7<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor,  
                 color="FNY", shape = factor(scale)))+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor,  
                 color="ATH", shape = factor(scale)))+  
  scale_color_manual(name="System", labels = c("athenahealth",  
                                                values=c(ATH="#008CB7", FNY="#FF7270")))+  
  scale_shape_manual(name="Region", labels=c("Regional", "State"),  
                    values = c(15, 17))
```

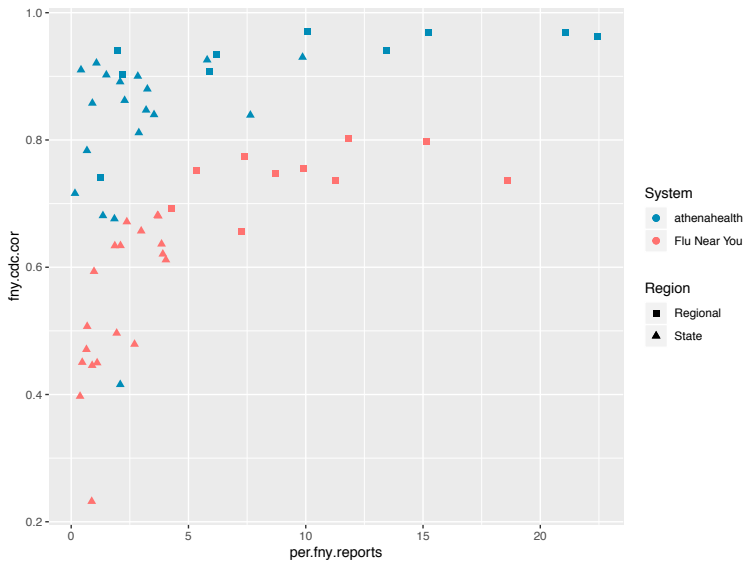
Step 7: change shapes



Step 8: change size

```
p8<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor,  
    color="FNY", shape = factor(scale)), size=2)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor,  
    color="ATH", shape = factor(scale)), size=2)+  
  scale_color_manual(name="System", labels = c("athenahealth",  
    values=c(ATH="#008CB7", FNY="#FF7270"))+  
  scale_shape_manual(name="Region", labels=c("Regional", "State"),  
    values = c(15, 17))
```

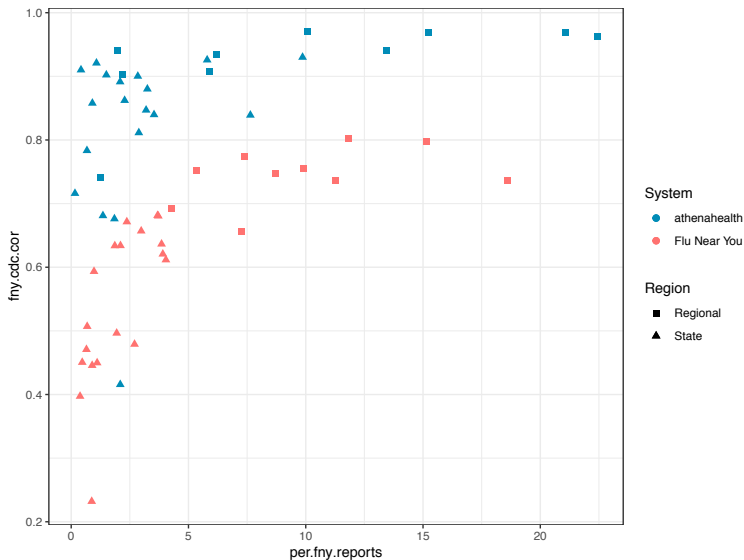
Step 8: change size



Step 9: remove grey background

```
p9<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor,  
    color="FNY", shape = factor(scale)), size=2)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor,  
    color="ATH", shape = factor(scale)), size=2)+  
  theme_bw()+  
  scale_color_manual(name="System", labels = c("athenahealth",  
    values=c(ATH="#008CB7", FNY="#FF7270")))+  
  scale_shape_manual(name="Region", labels=c("Regional", "State"),  
    values = c(15, 17))
```

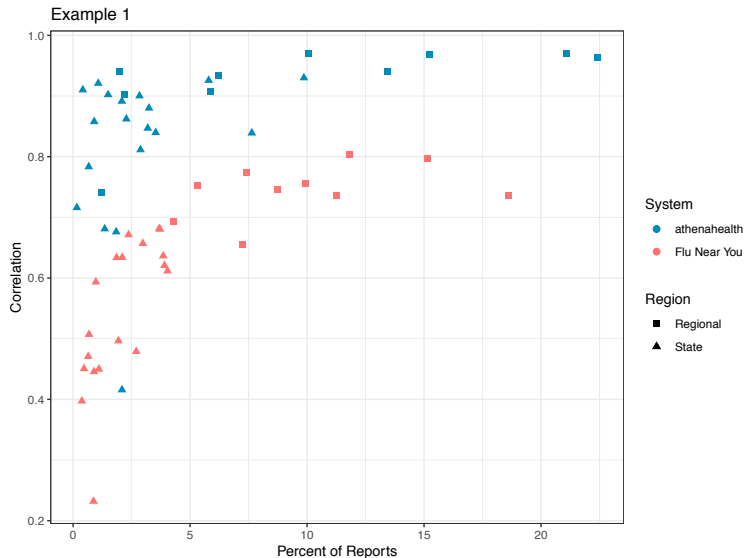
Step 9: remove grey background



Step 10: add axis labels and title

```
p10<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor,  
    color="FNY", shape = factor(scale)), size=2)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor,  
    color="ATH", shape = factor(scale)), size=2)+  
  theme_bw()+  
  scale_color_manual(name="System",labels = c("athenahealth",  
    values=c(ATH="#008CB7", FNY="#FF7270")))+  
  scale_shape_manual(name="Region",labels=c("Regional", "State",  
    values = c(15, 17))+  
  ylab("Correlation")+xlab("Percent of Reports")+  
  ggtitle("Example 1")
```

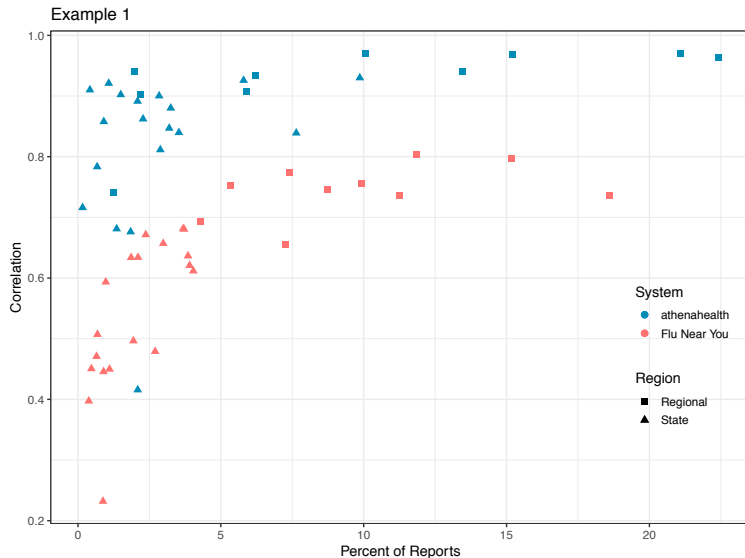

Step 10: add axis labels and title



Step 11: adjust legend

```
p11<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor, color="FNY"))  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor, color="Athena"))  
  theme_bw()+  
  scale_color_manual(name="System", labels = c("athenahealth", "FNY"))  
  scale_shape_manual(name="Region", labels=c("Regional", "State"))  
  ylab("Correlation")+xlab("Percent of Reports")+  
  ggtitle("Example 1") +  
  theme(legend.justification=c(1,1),  
        legend.position=c(0.98,0.5),  
        legend.key = element_rect(fill="transparent"),  
        legend.background = element_rect(fill="transparent"),  
        legend.key.size = unit(0.5, "cm"))
```

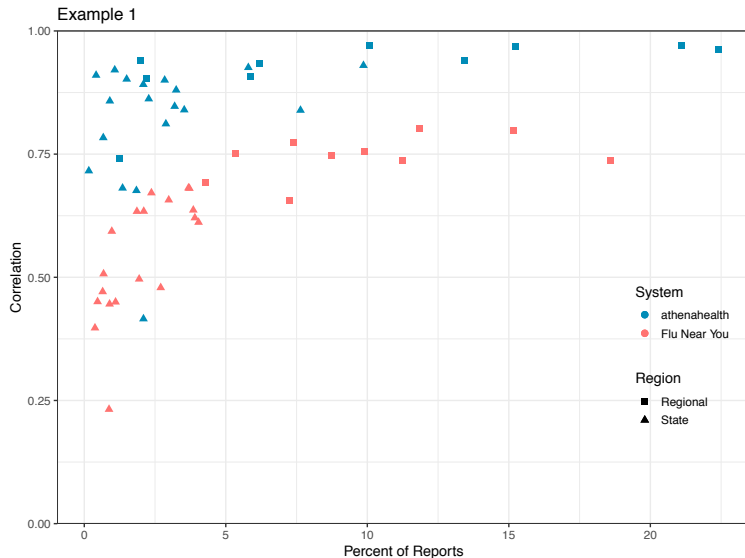
Step 11: adjust legend



Step 12: adjust y-axis

```
p12<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor, color="FNY"  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor, color  
  theme_bw()+  
  scale_color_manual(name="System",labels = c("athenahealth",  
        values=c(ATH="#008CB7", FNY="#FF7270"))+  
  scale_shape_manual(name="Region",labels=c("Regional", "State  
  scale_y_continuous( limits = c(0,1), expand = c(0,0) )+  
  ylab("Correlation")+xlab("Percent of Reports")+  
  ggtitle("Example 1") +  
  theme(legend.justification=c(1,1),  
        legend.position=c(0.98,0.5),  
        legend.key = element_rect(fill="transparent"),  
        legend.background = element_rect(fill="transparent"),  
        legend.key.size = unit(0.5, "cm"))
```

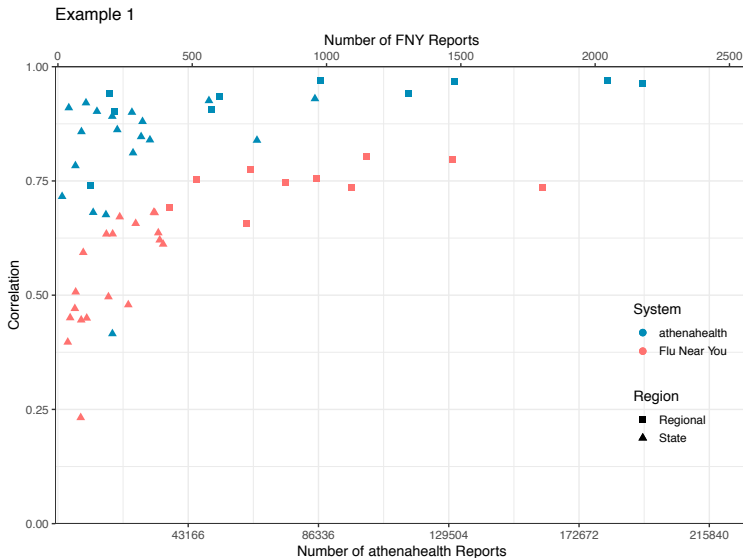
Step 12: adjust y-axis



Step 13: adjust x-axis

```
p13<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor, color="FNY"  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.athena.reports, y=athena.cdc.cor, color  
  theme_bw()+  
  scale_color_manual(name="System",labels = c("athenahealth",  
  scale_shape_manual(name="Region",labels=c("Regional", "State  
  scale_y_continuous( limits = c(0,1), expand = c(0,0) )+  
  ylab("Correlation")+  
  xlab("Number of athenahealth Reports")+  
  scale_x_continuous( limits = c(-0.1,26.5), expand = c(0,0),  
    position="bottom", breaks = c(5, 10, 15, 20, 25),  
    labels = c(43166, 86336, 129504, 172672, 215840),  
    sec.axis= sec_axis(~.*97, name="Number of FNY Report  
  ggtitle("Example 1") +  
  theme(legend.justification=c(1,1),  
    legend.position=c(0.98,0.5),  
    legend_key = element_rect(fill="transparent")
```

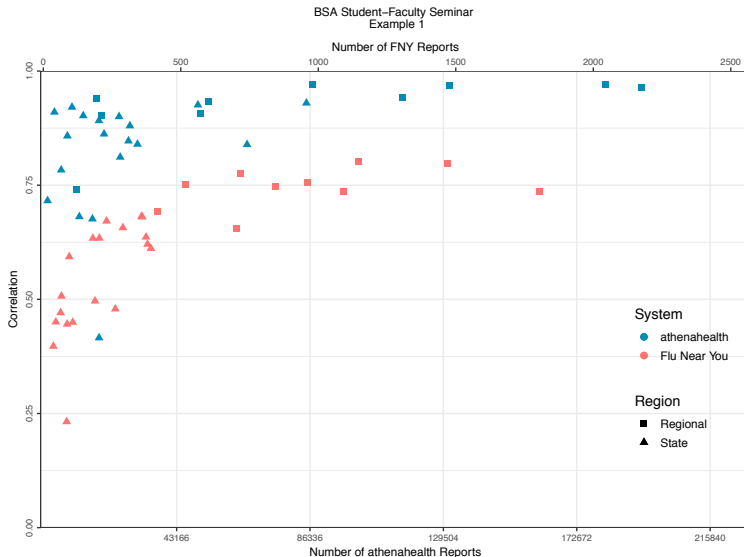
Step 13: adjust x-axis



Step 14: make adjustments to axis labels and text

```
p14<- ggplot(data1)+  
  geom_point(aes(x=per.fny.reports, y=fny.cdc.cor, color="FNY")  
  scale_color_manual(name="System", labels = c("athenahealth",  
  scale_x_continuous( limits = c(-0.1,26.5), expand = c(0,0),  
  ggtitle("BSA Student-Faculty Seminar \n Example 1") +  
  theme(legend.justification=c(1,1),  
    legend.position=c(0.98,0.5),  
    legend.key = element_rect(fill="transparent"),  
    legend.background = element_rect(fill="transparent"),  
    legend.key.size = unit(0.5, "cm"),  
    plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5, size=9),  
    axis.text.x=element_text(size=7),  
    axis.text.y=element_text(angle=90, hjust=0.5, size=7),  
    axis.title=element_text(size=9),  
    text=element_text(family="sans"),  
    panel.grid.minor.x = element_blank())
```


Step 14: make adjustments to axis labels and text



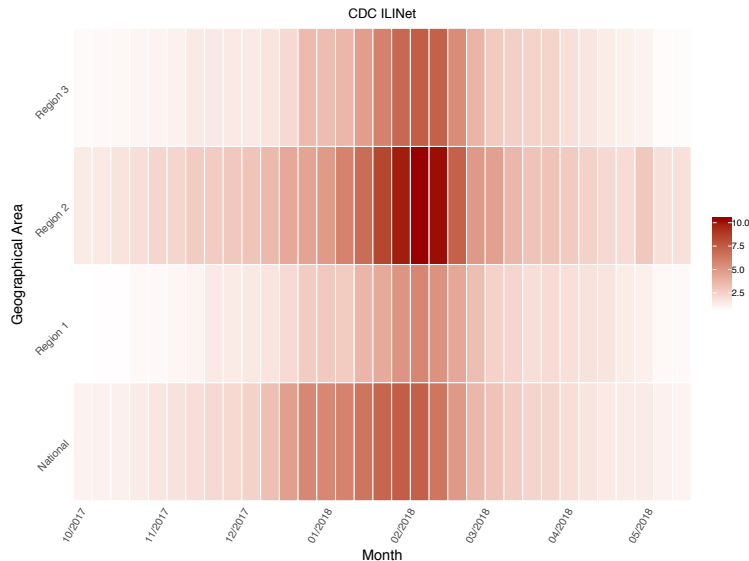
Step 15: Save the last plot created as pdf

```
ggsave("~/Documents/BU/R/ggplot2/example1.pdf",  
        width = 12, height = 12, units = "cm")
```

Example 2 - Combine multiple graphs

##	week_of	region	mmwr	weighted_ili	per_ili	ath_ili
## 1	2017-10-02	National	201740	1.265890	1.851327	0.765356
## 2	2017-10-02	Region 1	201740	0.714489	1.826484	0.625379
## 3	2017-10-02	Region 2	201740	1.529640	1.434720	0.826187
## 4	2017-10-02	Region 3	201740	0.926452	2.125850	0.818757

Time series heat map



Create a function

```
heat_series<-function(filler, titler){  
  ploty <- ggplot()+  
    geom_tile(aes(y=data2$region, x=data2$week_of,fill = filler)) +  
    scale_fill_gradient(low="white", high= "#990000") +  
    scale_x_date(expand = c(0,0),date_breaks = "1 month", date_...  
    scale_y_discrete(expand = c(0, 0)) + theme_bw() +  
    ggtitle(titler)+ ylab("Geographical Area")+ xlab("Month")+  
    theme(panel.grid=element_blank(), panel.border=element_blank(),  
          legend.position="right", legend.title = element_blank(),  
          legend.key.size = unit(0.2, "in"), legend.text = element_text(),  
          axis.ticks = element_blank(), plot.title = element_text(),  
          axis.text.x=element_text(angle=60, hjust=1, size=8),  
          axis.text.y = element_text(angle=45, hjust = 1, size=8))  
  return(ploty)  
}
```

Call the function

```
heat1<-heat_series(data2$weighted_ili, "CDC ILINet")  
heat2<-heat_series(data2$per_ili, "Flu Near You")  
heat3<-heat_series(data2$ath_ili, "athenahealth")  
heat4<-heat_series(data2$twe_ili, "HealthTweets.org")
```

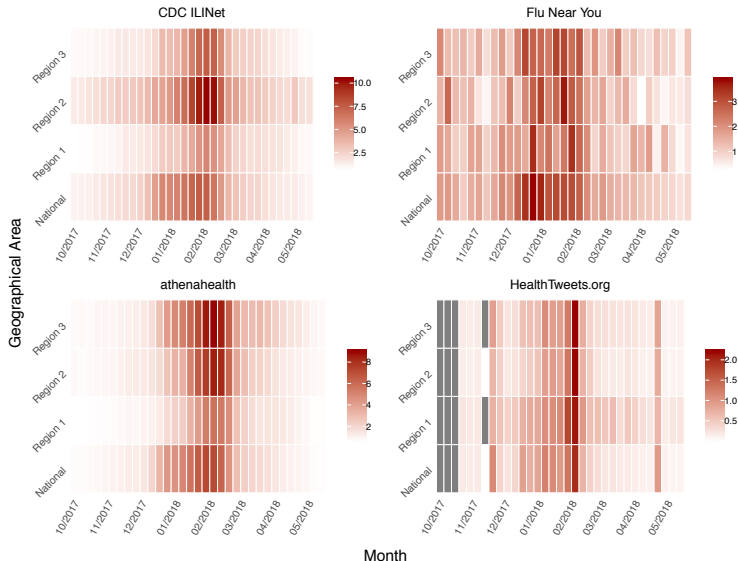
Combine into one image

```
library(gridExtra)
library(grid)

pdf(file='~/Documents/BU/R/ggplot2/example2a.pdf',width=8, height=10)
grid.arrange(arrangeGrob(heat1 + theme(axis.title = element_blank(),
    heat2 + theme(axis.title = element_blank(),
    heat3 + theme(axis.title = element_blank(),
    heat4 + theme(axis.title = element_blank(),
    left = textGrob("Geographical Area",
    bottom = textGrob("Month", hjust = 0.5, vjust = "bottom"),
dev.off()

## pdf
## 2
```

Combine into one image



Time series heat map - categorical variable

Create color buckets

```
data2$colorBuckets1 <- as.factor(as.numeric(  
  cut(data2$weighted_ili,c(0, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0 ,20))))  
data2$colorBuckets2 <- as.factor(as.numeric(  
  cut(data2$per_ili,c(0, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0 ,20))))  
data2$colorBuckets3 <- as.factor(as.numeric(  
  cut(data2$ath_ili,c(0, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0 ,20))))  
data2$colorBuckets4 <- as.factor(as.numeric(  
  cut(data2$twe_ili,c(0, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0 ,20))))
```

Create a function

```
heat_series2<-function(bucket, titler){  
  ploty <- ggplot()+  
    geom_tile(aes(y=data2$region, x=data2$week_of,fill = bucket))  
    scale_fill_manual(  
      values=c("#99CCFF", "#3399FF", "#0066CC", "#004C99", "#003366"),  
      name="Percent ILI",  
      labels=c("0-1.0", "1.01-2.0", "2.01-3.0", "3.01-4.0", ">4.0")  
    )  
  theme_bw() + ggtitle(titler)+  
  scale_x_date(expand = c(0,0),date_breaks = "1 month", date_labels = "%b %Y")  
  scale_y_discrete(expand = c(0, 0)) +  
  ylab("Geographical Area")+ xlab("Month")+  
  theme(panel.grid=element_blank(), panel.border=element_blank(),  
        legend.position="bottom", legend.title = element_blank(),  
        legend.key.size = unit(0.2, "in"), legend.text = element_text(size=8),  
        axis.ticks = element_blank(),  
        axis.text.x=element_text(angle=60, hjust=1, size=8),  
        axis.text.y = element_text(angle=45, hjust = 1, size=8))  
}
```

Call the function

```
heat1a<-heat_series2(data2$colorBuckets1, "CDC ILINet")
heat2a<-heat_series2(data2$colorBuckets2, "Flu Near You")
heat3a<-heat_series2(data2$colorBuckets3, "athenahealth")
heat4a<-heat_series2(data2$colorBuckets4, "HealthTweets.org")
```

Combine into one image - use only one legend

```
library(gtable)

legend = gtable_filter(ggplotGrob(heat1a), "guide-box")

pdf(file='~/Documents/BU/R/ggplot2/example2b.pdf',width=8, height=10)
grid.arrange(arrangeGrob(
  heat1a + theme(axis.title = element_blank(), legend.position = "top",
    axis.text.x = element_blank()),
  heat2a + theme(axis.title = element_blank(), legend.position = "top",
    axis.text = element_blank()),
  heat3a + theme(axis.title = element_blank(), legend.position = "top",
    axis.text.y = element_blank()),
  heat4a + theme(axis.title = element_blank(), legend.position = "top",
    axis.text.y = element_blank()),
  left = textGrob("Geographical Area", rot = 90, vjust = 1),
  bottom = textGrob("Month", hjust = 0.5), ncol=2),
  legend, nrow=2,heights=c(10, 1))
dev.off()
```

Combine into one image - use only one legend

