

# Transformed Cartesian coordinate system

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`coord_trans` is different to scale transformations in that it occurs after statistical transformation and will affect the visual appearance of geoms - there is no guarantee that straight lines will continue to be straight.

```
coord_trans(x = "identity", y = "identity", limx = NULL, limy = NULL,  
            xtrans, ytrans)
```

## Arguments

**x, y** transformers for x and y axes

**limx, limy** limits for x and y axes. (Named so for backward compatibility)

**xtrans, ytrans** Deprecated; use `x` and `y` instead.

## Details

Transformations only work with continuous values: see **trans\_new** ([http://www.rdocumentation.org/packages/scales/topics/trans\\_new](http://www.rdocumentation.org/packages/scales/topics/trans_new)) for list of transformations, and instructions on how to create your own.

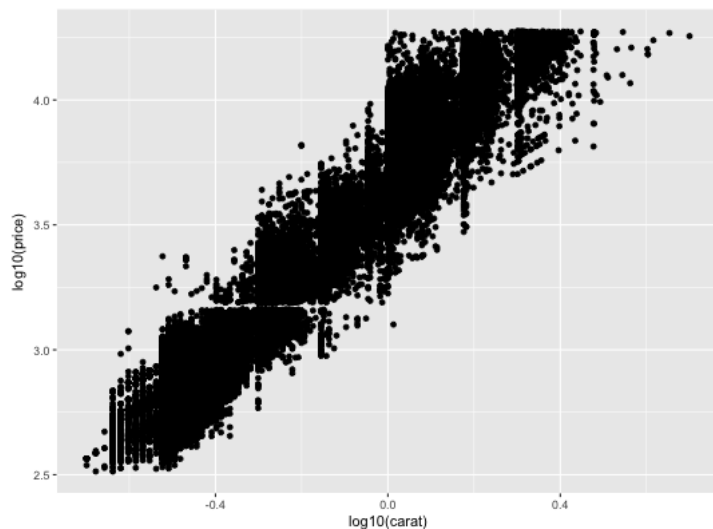
## Examples

```
# See ?geom_boxplot for other examples
```

```
# Three ways of doing transformation in ggplot:
```

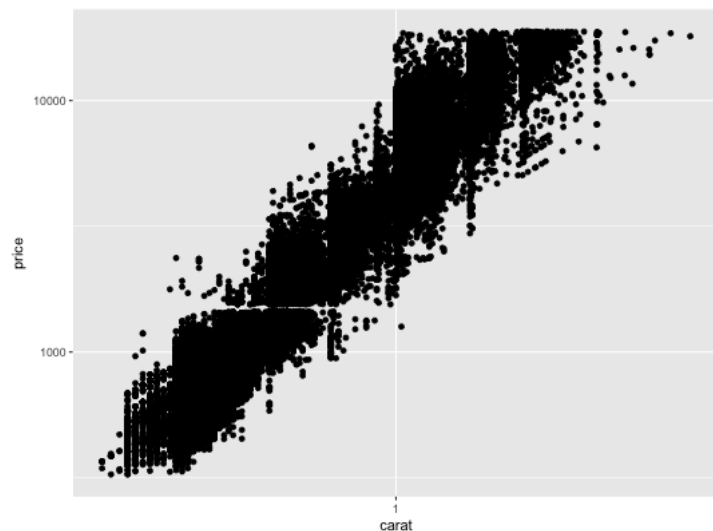
```
# * by transforming the data
```

```
ggplot (ggplot.html)(diamonds, aes (aes.html)(log10(carat), log10(price))) +  
  geom_point (geom_point.html)()
```



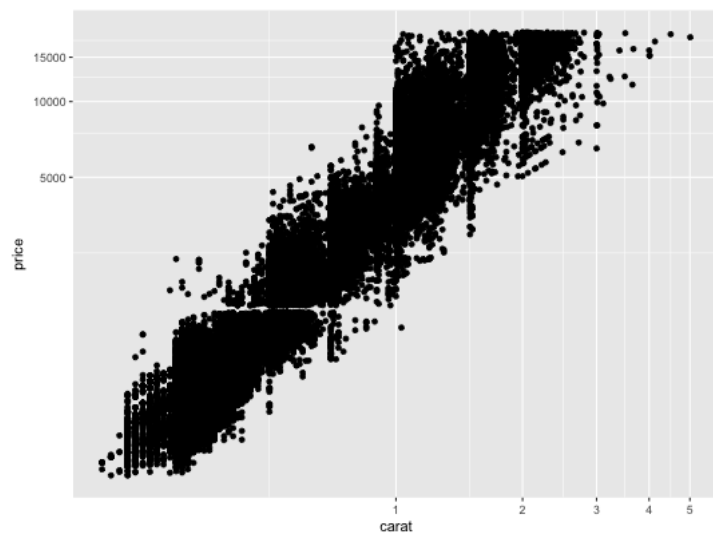
```
# * by transforming the scales
```

```
ggplot (ggplot.html)(diamonds, aes (aes.html)(carat, price)) +  
  geom_point (geom_point.html)() +  
  scale_x_log10 (scale_continuous.html)() +  
  scale_y_log10 (scale_continuous.html)()
```



```
# * by transforming the coordinate system:
```

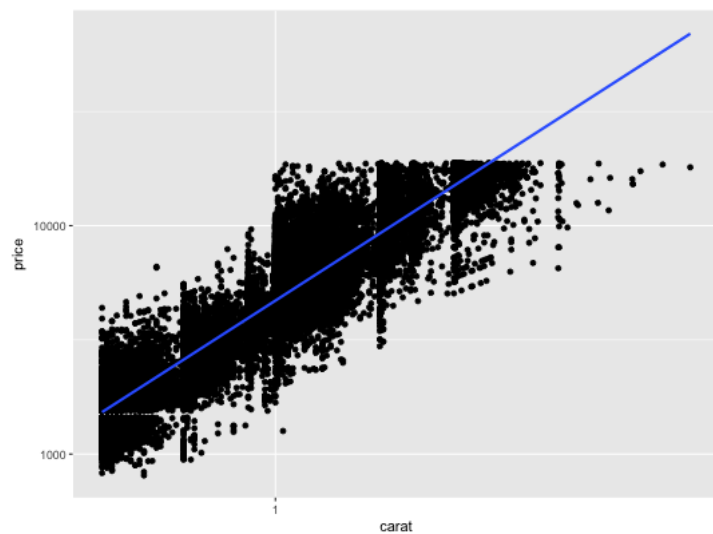
```
ggplot (ggplot.html)(diamonds, aes (aes.html)(carat, price)) +  
  geom_point (geom_point.html)() +  
  coord_trans(x = "log10", y = "log10")
```



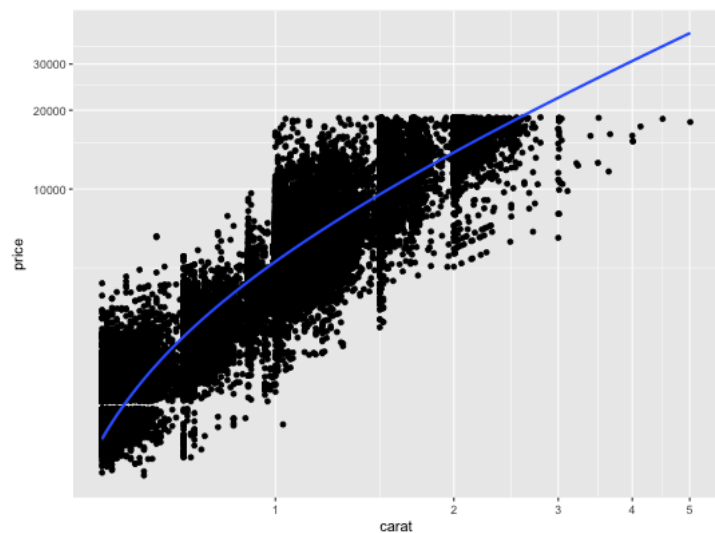
```
# The difference between transforming the scales and
# transforming the coordinate system is that scale
# transformation occurs BEFORE statistics, and coordinate
# transformation afterwards. Coordinate transformation also
# changes the shape of geoms:
```

```
d <- subset(diamonds, carat > 0.5)
```

```
ggplot (ggplot.html)(d, aes (aes.html)(carat, price)) +
  geom_point (geom_point.html)() +
  geom_smooth (geom_smooth.html)(method = "lm") +
  scale_x_log10 (scale_continuous.html)() +
  scale_y_log10 (scale_continuous.html)()
```



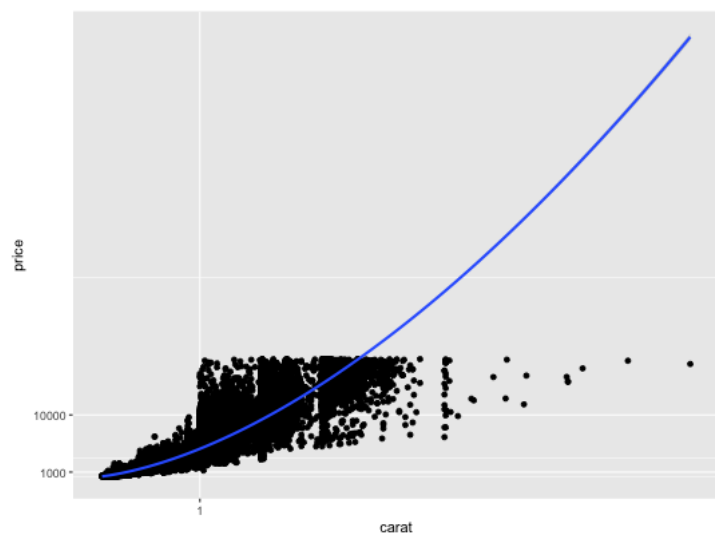
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  geom_point (geom_point.html)() +
  geom_smooth (geom_smooth.html)(method = "lm") +
  coord_trans(x = "log10", y = "log10")
```



```
# Here I used a subset of diamonds so that the smoothed line didn't
# drop below zero, which obviously causes problems on the log-transformed
# scale
```

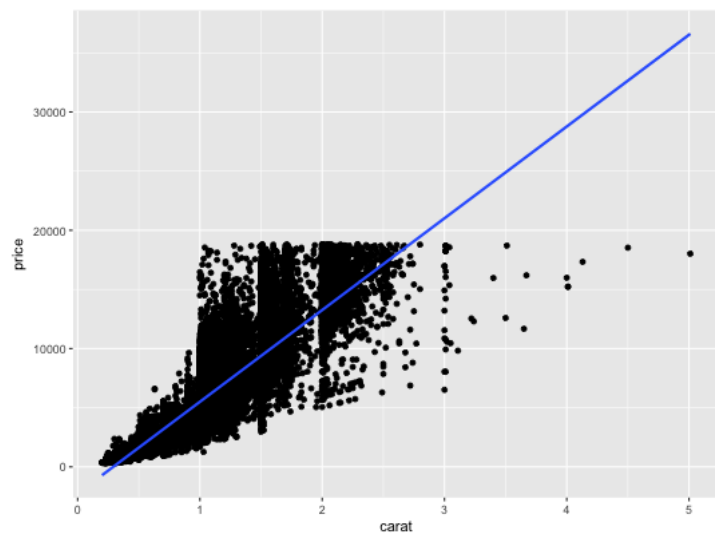
```
# With a combination of scale and coordinate transformation, it's
# possible to do back-transformations:
```

```
ggplot (ggplot.html)(diamonds, aes (aes.html)(carat, price)) +
  geom_point (geom_point.html)() +
  geom_smooth (geom_smooth.html)(method = "lm") +
  scale_x_log10 (scale_continuous.html)() +
  scale_y_log10 (scale_continuous.html)() +
  coord_trans(x = scales::exp_trans(10), y = scales::exp_trans(10))
```



```
# cf.
```

```
ggplot (ggplot.html)(diamonds, aes (aes.html)(carat, price)) +
  geom_point (geom_point.html)() +
  geom_smooth (geom_smooth.html)(method = "lm")
```

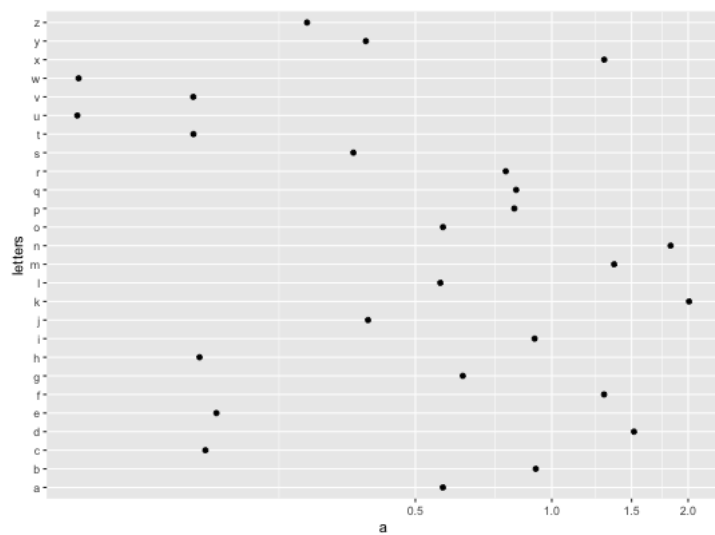


# Also works with discrete scales

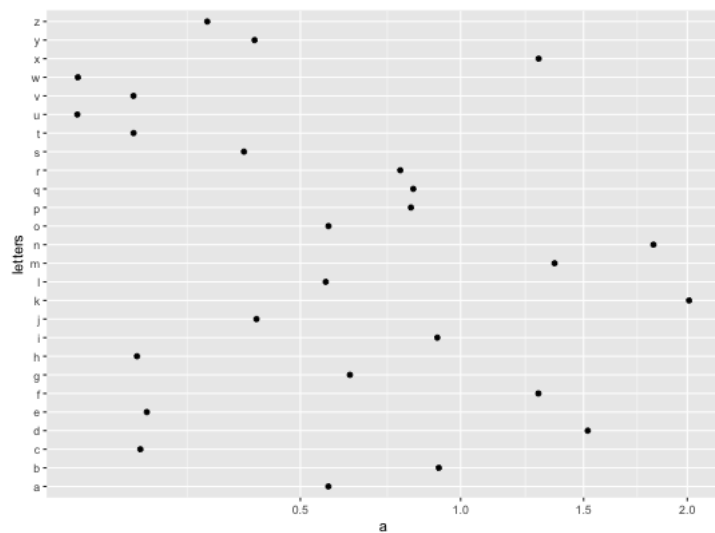
```
df <- data.frame(a = abs(rnorm(26)), letters)
```

```
plot <- ggplot (ggplot.html)(df, aes (aes.html)(a, letters)) + geom_point (geom_point.html)()
```

```
plot + coord_trans(x = "log10")
```



```
plot + coord_trans(x = "sqrt")
```



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ggplot2 is a part of the **tidyverse**, an ecosystem of packages designed with common APIs and a shared philosophy. Learn more at tidyverse.org (<http://tidyverse.org>).

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