

# Date times

R

# Quiz

Does every year have 365 days?

# Quiz

Does every day have 24 hours?

# Quiz

Does every minute have 60 seconds?

# Quiz

What does a month measure?

# Most useful skills

1. Creating dates/times (i.e. *parsing*)
2. Access and change parts of a date
3. Deal with time zones
4. Do math with instants and time spans

# Warm Up

Decide in your group:

- What is the best time of day to fly?
- What is the best day of the week to fly?



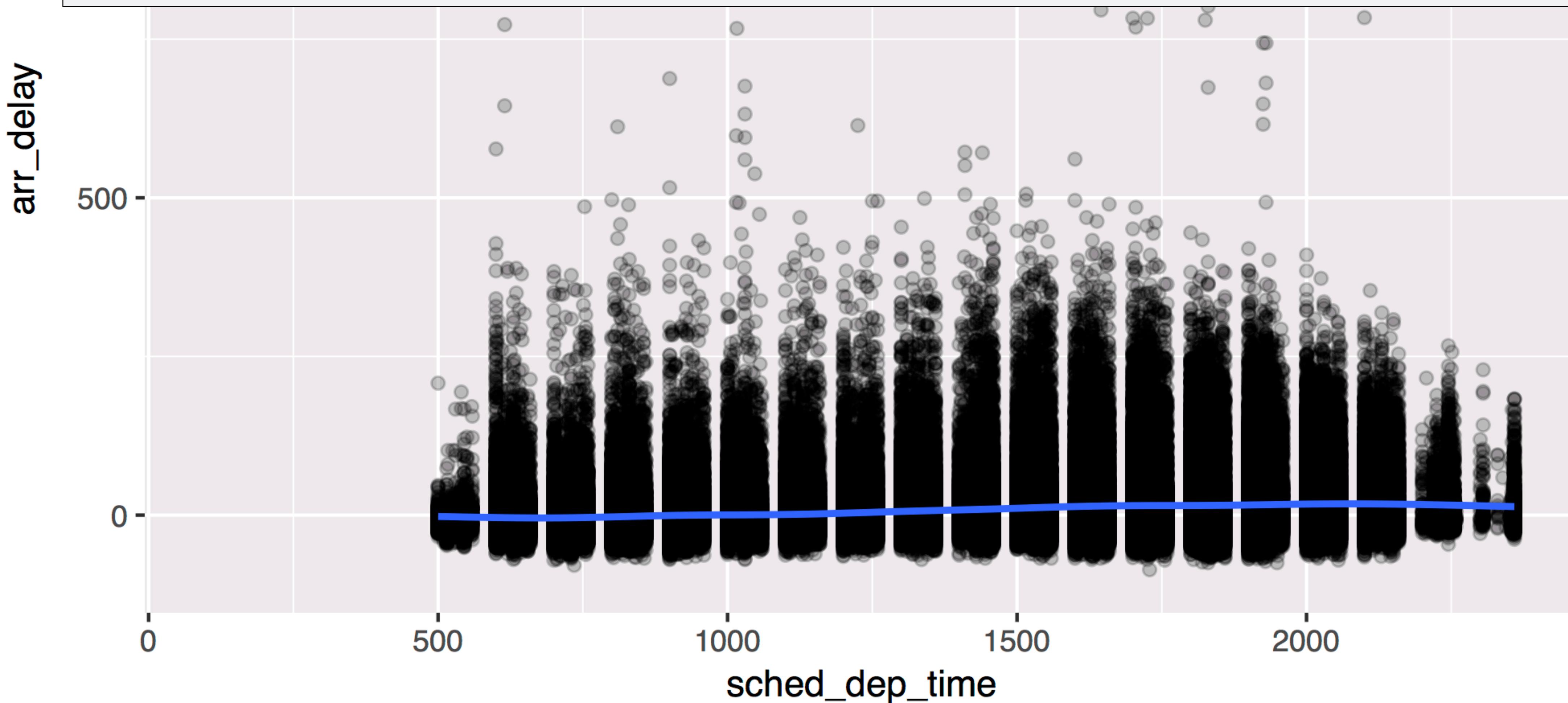
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```

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```
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  ggplot(mapping = aes(x = sched_dep_time, y = arr_delay)) +  
  geom_point(alpha = 0.2) + geom_smooth()
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# Creating dates and times



# hms



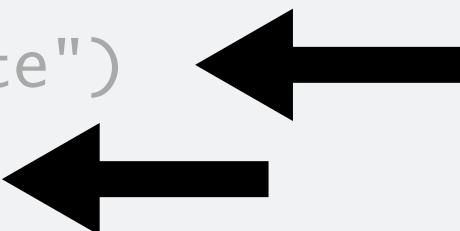
A class for representing just clock times.

```
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library(hms)
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install.packages("rvest")
install.packages("xml2")
install.packages("modelr")
install.packages("broom")
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# hms()

2017-01-01 12:34:56

hms(seconds, minutes, hours, days)

numbers of each unit to  
add to the time



# hms

2017-01-01 12:34:56

Stored as the number of seconds since 00:00:00.\*

```
hms(seconds = 56, min = 34, hour = 12)
## 12:34:56

unclass(hms(56, 34, 12))
## 45296
```



## Your Turn 5

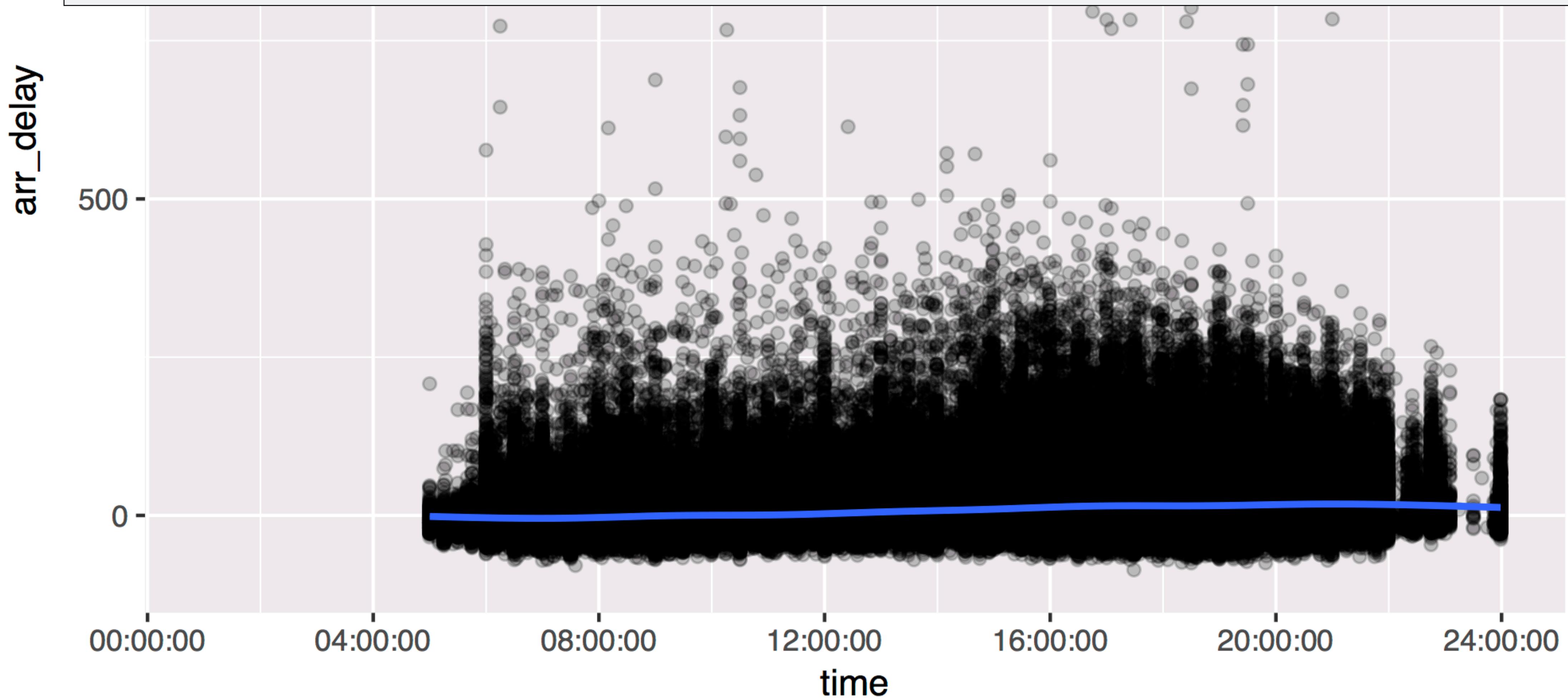
What is the best time of day to fly?

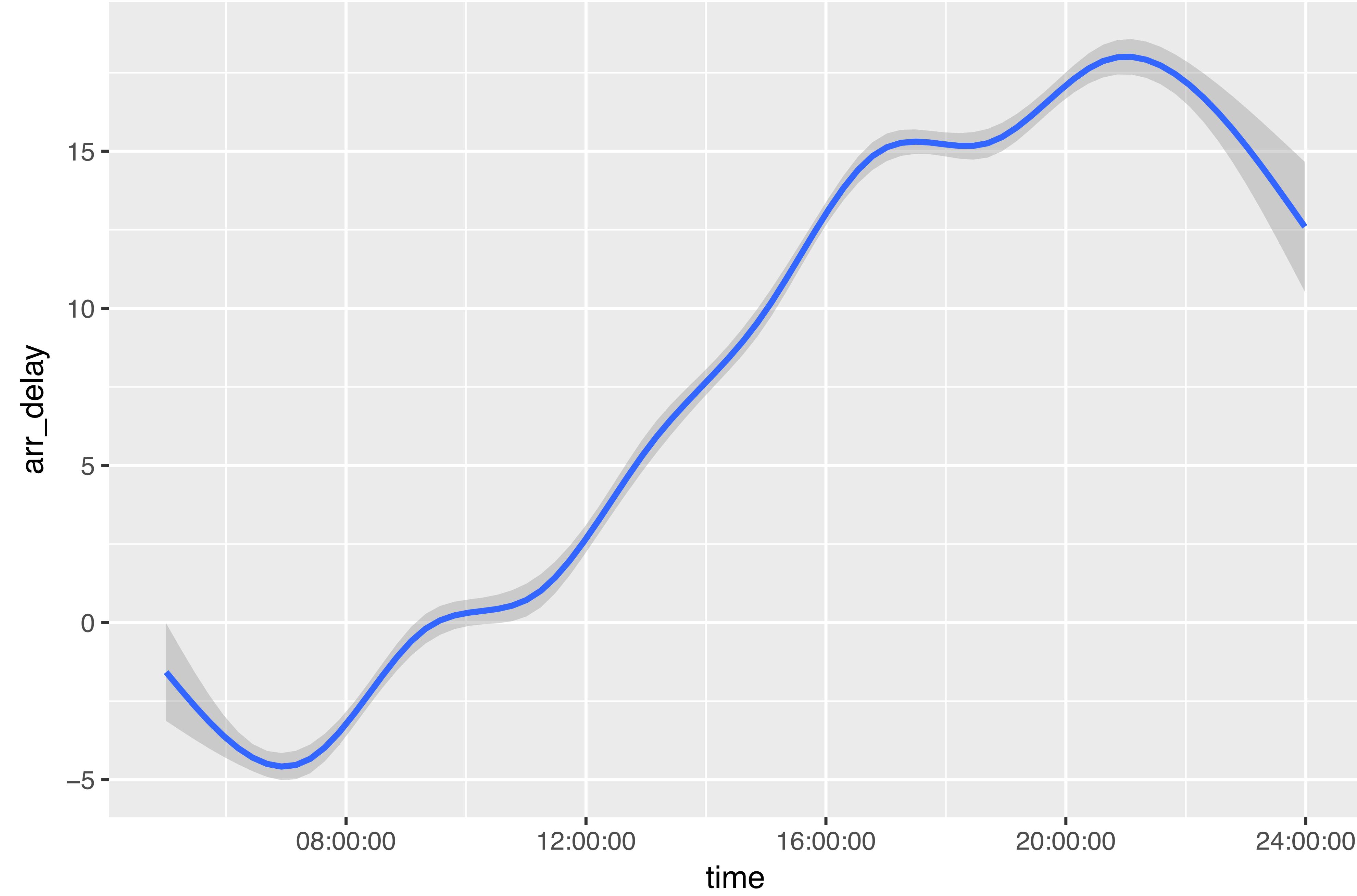
Use the **hour** and **minute** variables in flights to make a new variable that shows the **time** of each flight as an hms.

Then use a smooth line to plot the relationship between time of day and **arr\_delay**.



```
flights %>%  
  mutate(time = hms(hour = hour, minute = minute)) %>%  
  ggplot(aes(time, arr_delay)) +  
  geom_point(alpha = 0.2) + geom_smooth()
```





What is the best day of the week to fly?

# Your Turn 6

Look at the code skeleton for Your Turn 7. Discuss with your neighbor:

- What does each line do?
- What will the missing parts need to do?



# lubridate



Functions for working with dates and time spans

```
# install.packages("tidyverse")
library(lubridate)
```



# ymd() family

```
2017-01-01 12:34:56
```

To parse strings as dates, use the function whose name is y, m, d, h, m, s in the correct order.

```
ymd("2012/01/11")  
mdy("January 11, 2012")  
ymd_hms("2012-01-11 01:30:55")
```

# Parsing functions

function	parses to
ymd_hms(), ymd_hm(), ymd_h()	
ydm_hms(), ydm_hm(), ydm_h()	POSIXct
dmy_hms(), dmy_hm(), dmy_h()	
mdy_hms(), mdy_hm(), mdy_h()	
ymd(), ydm(), mdy()	
myd(), dmy(), dym(), yq()	Date (POSIXct if tz specified)
hms(), hm(), ms()	Period

Accessing  
and changing  
components



# Accessing components

Extract components by name with a **singular** name

```
date <- ymd("2019-01-11")
year(date)
## 2019
```

# Setting components

Use the same function to set components

```
date  
## "2019-01-11"  
  
year(date) <- 1999  
  
date  
## "1999-01-11"
```

# Accessing date time components

function	extracts	extra arguments
year()	year	
month()	month	label = FALSE, abbr = TRUE
week()	week	
day()	day of month	
wday()	day of week	label = FALSE, abbr = TRUE
qday()	day of quarter	
yday()	day of year	
hour()	hour	
minute()	minute	
second()	second	

# Accessing components

```
wday(ymd("2019-01-11"))

## 6

wday(ymd("2019-01-11"), label = TRUE)

## [1] Fri

## 7 Levels: Sun < Mon < Tues < Wed < Thurs < ... < Sat

wday(ymd("2019-01-11"), label = TRUE, abbr = FALSE)

## [1] Friday

## 7 Levels: Sunday < Monday < Tuesday < ... < Saturday
```

# Your Turn 7

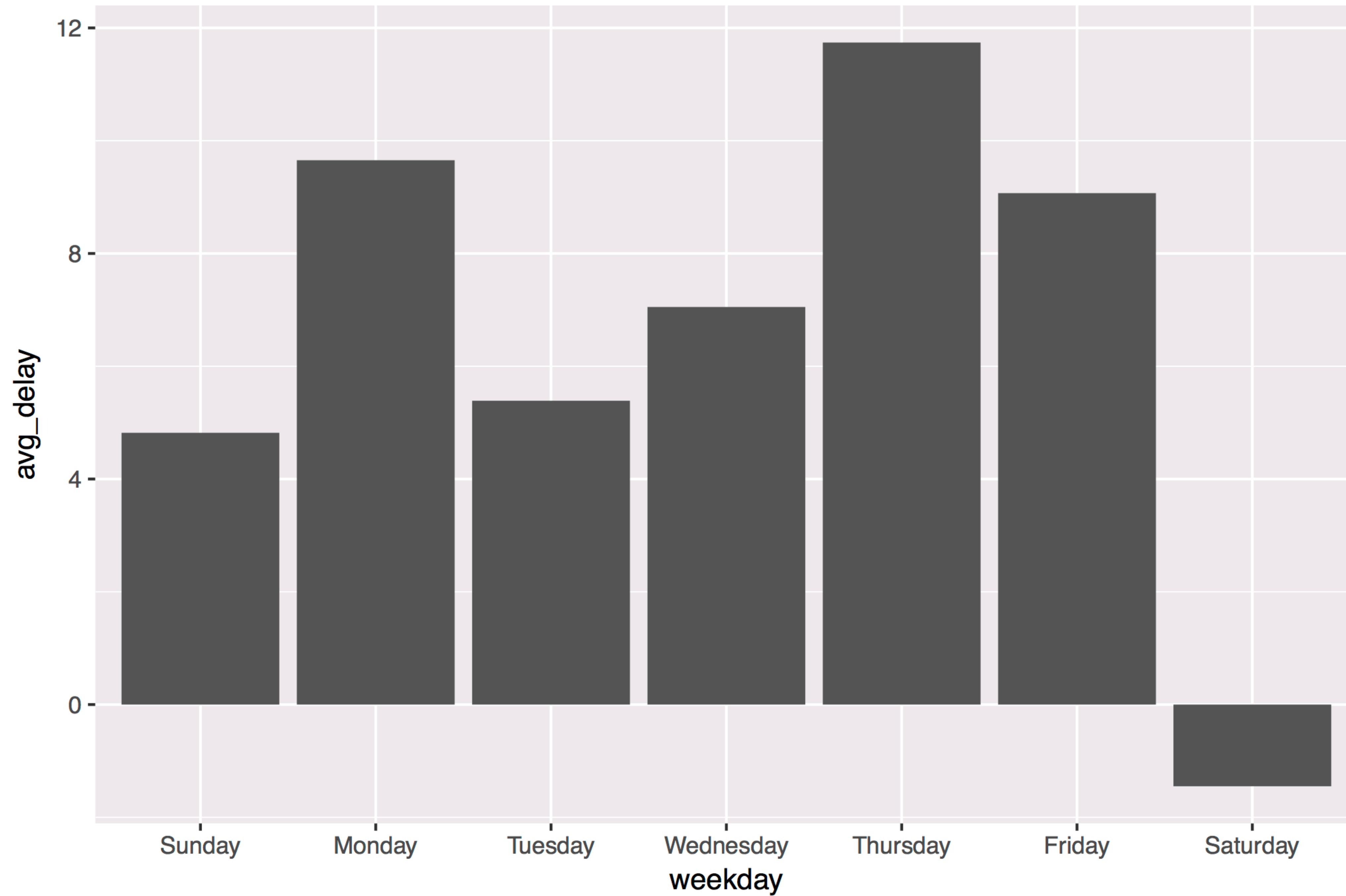
Fill in the blank to:

Extract the day of the week of each flight (as a full name) from **time\_hour**.

Plot the average arrival delay by day as a column chart (bar chart).



```
flights %>%  
  mutate(weekday = wday(time_hour, label = TRUE, abbr = FALSE)) %>%  
  group_by(weekday) %>%  
  filter(!is.na(arr_delay)) %>%  
  summarise(avg_delay = mean(arr_delay)) %>%  
  ggplot() +  
    geom_col(mapping = aes(x = weekday, y = avg_delay))
```



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<b>hms()</b> , hm(), ms()	Period

Same name as  
hms() in hms



# `hms::hms()`

package  
name

function  
name



`hms::hms()`

`lubridate::hms()`



# `hms()`

```
hms::hms(seconds = 3, hours = 5)
```

Use the  
`hms()` function in  
the `hms` package





# Data types with

