# Changing plot style and color

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### Why customize?

Reasons to change style:

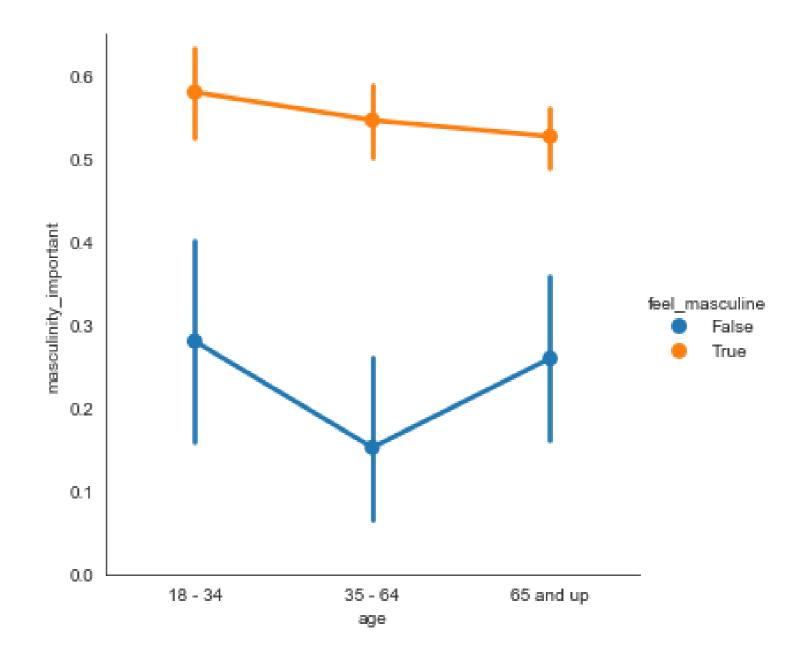
- Personal preference
- Improve readability
- Guide interpretation



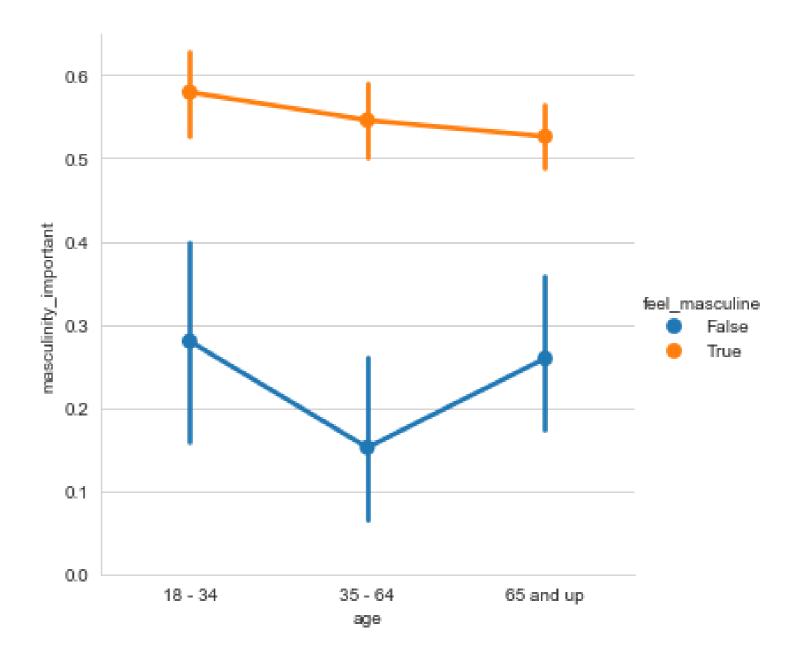
### Changing the figure style

- Figure "style" includes background and axes
- Preset options: "white", "dark", "whitegrid", "darkgrid", "ticks"
- sns.set\_style()

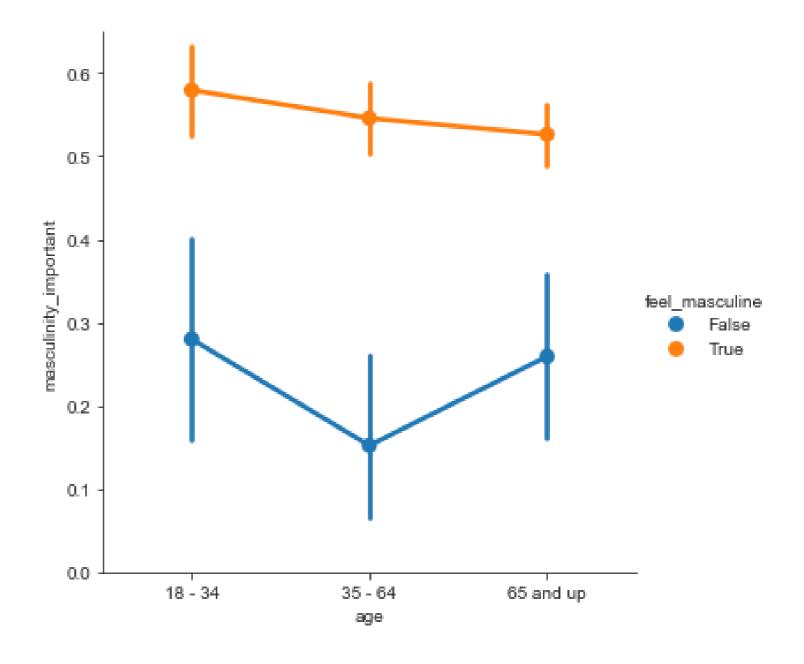
### Default figure style ("white")



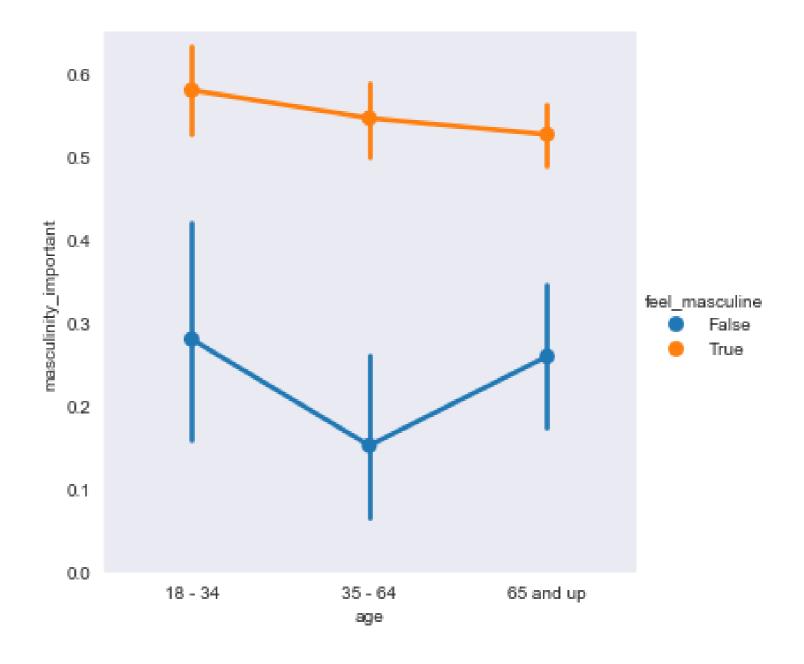
### Figure style: "whitegrid"



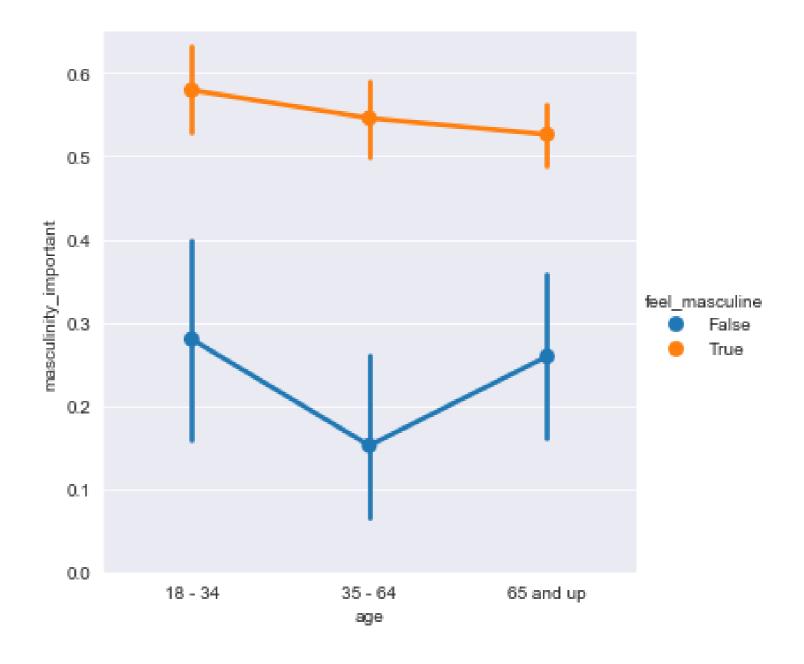
### Other styles



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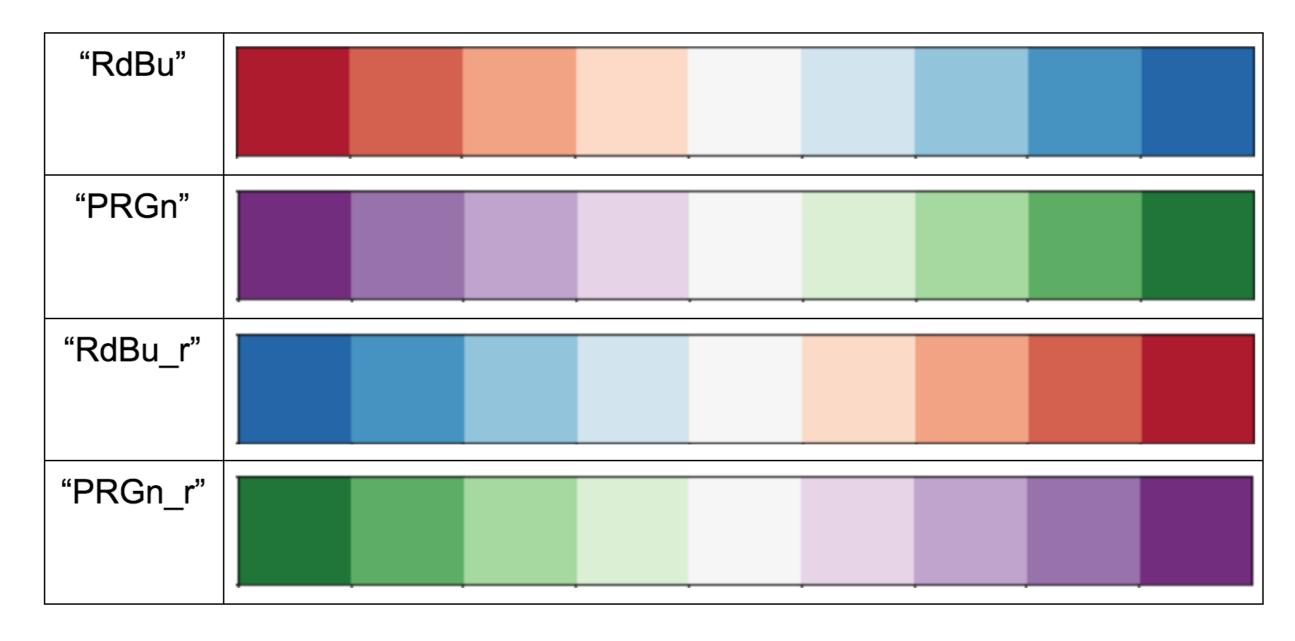
### Other styles



### Changing the palette

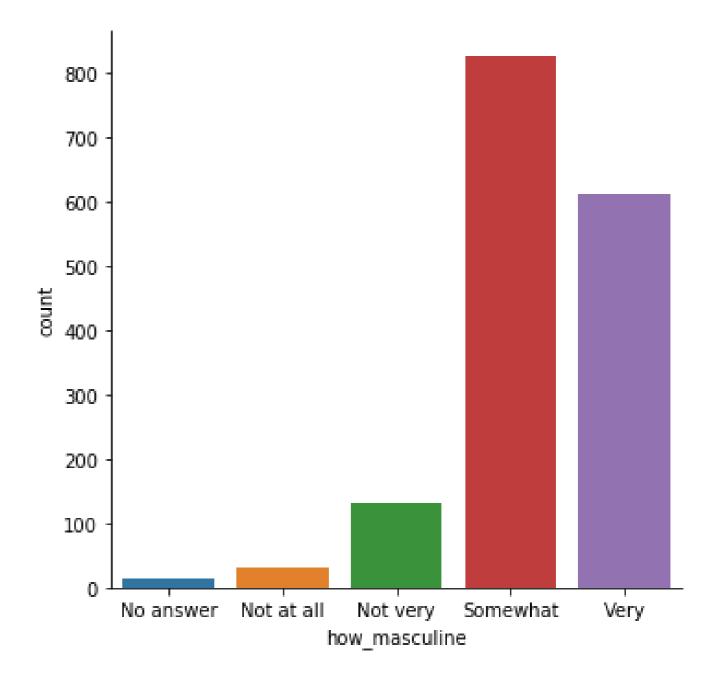
- Figure "palette" changes the color of the main elements of the plot
- sns.set\_palette()
- Use preset palettes or create a custom palette

### Diverging palettes



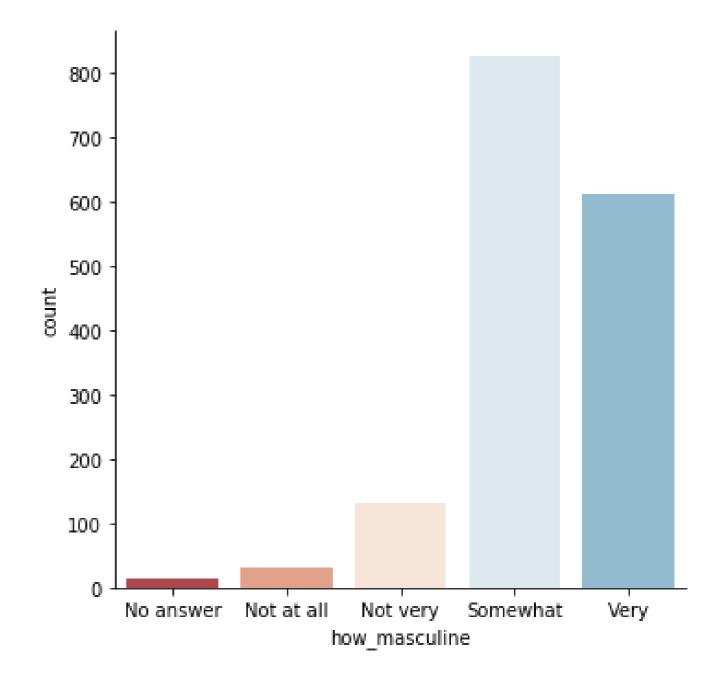
### Example (default palette)

```
category_order = ["No answer",
                  "Not at all",
                  "Not very",
                  "Somewhat",
                  "Very"]
sns.catplot(x="how_masculine",
            data=masculinity_data,
            kind="count",
            order=category_order)
plt.show()
```

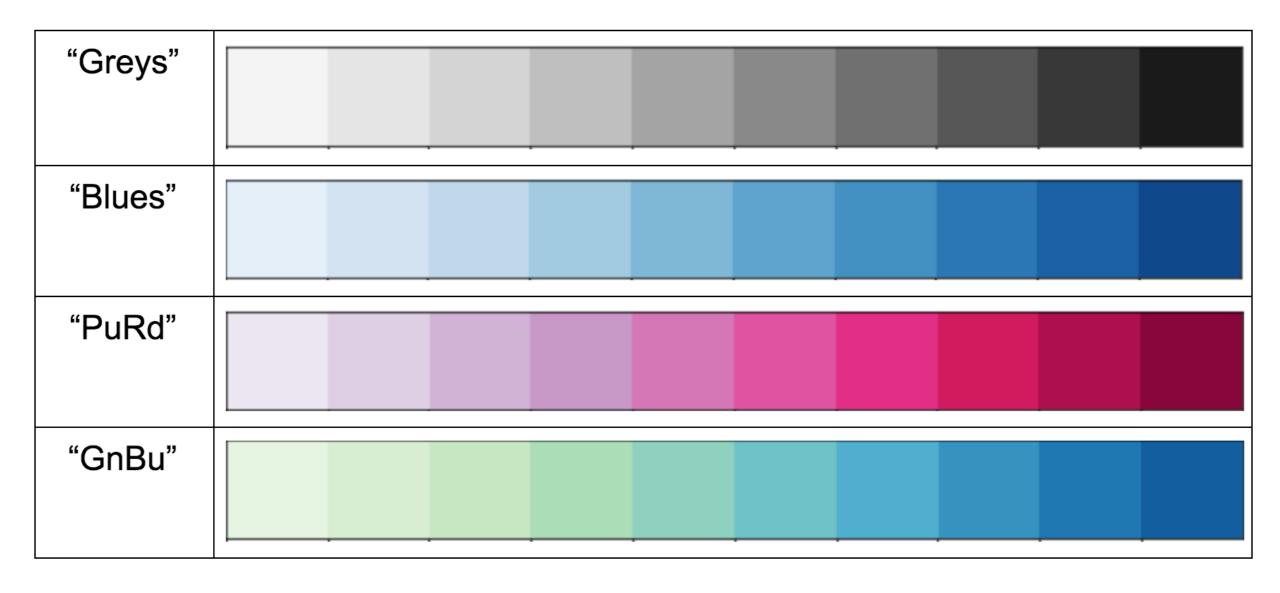


### Example (diverging palette)

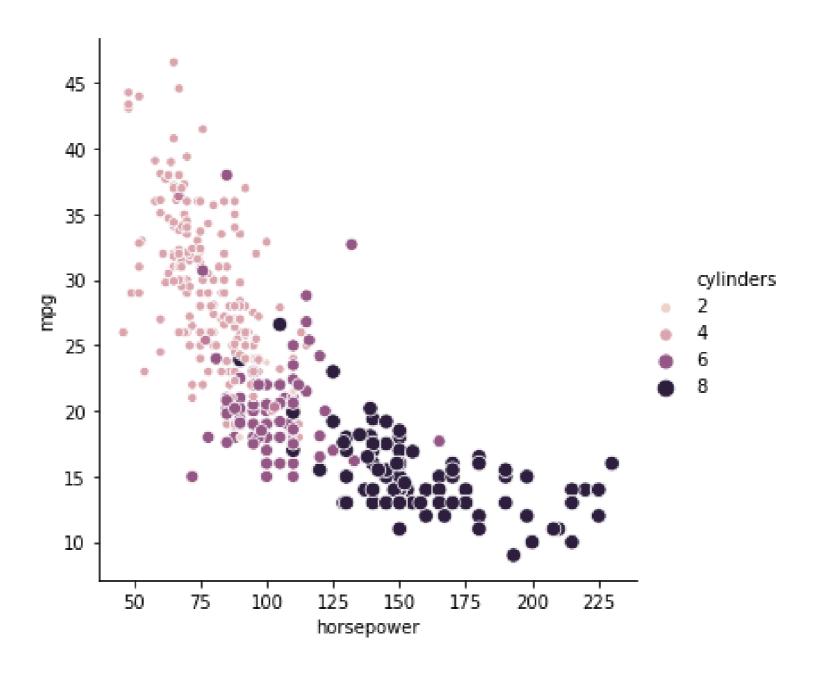
```
sns.set_palette("RdBu")
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                  "Not at all",
                  "Not very",
                  "Somewhat",
                  "Very"]
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```



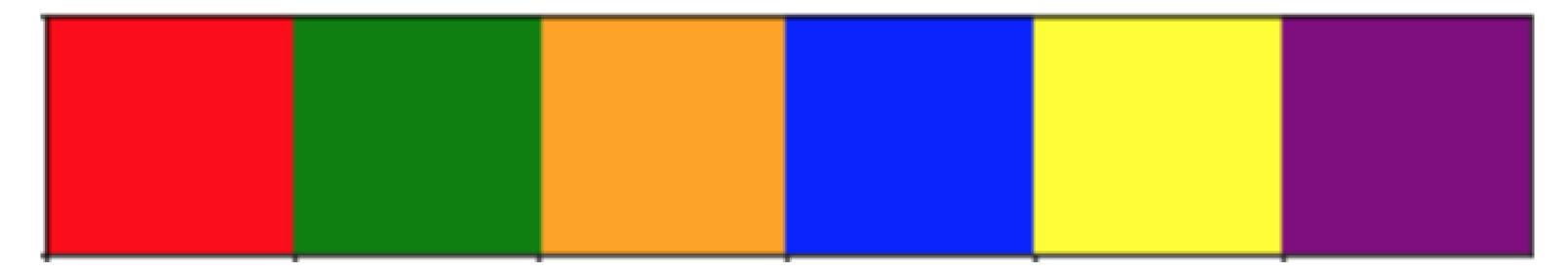
### Sequential palettes



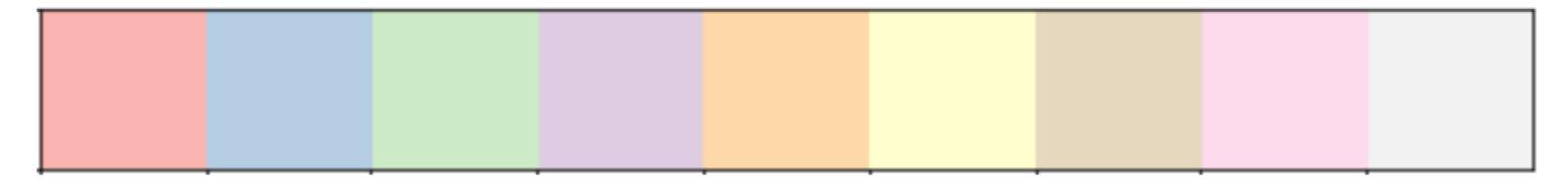
### Sequential palette example



### **Custom palettes**



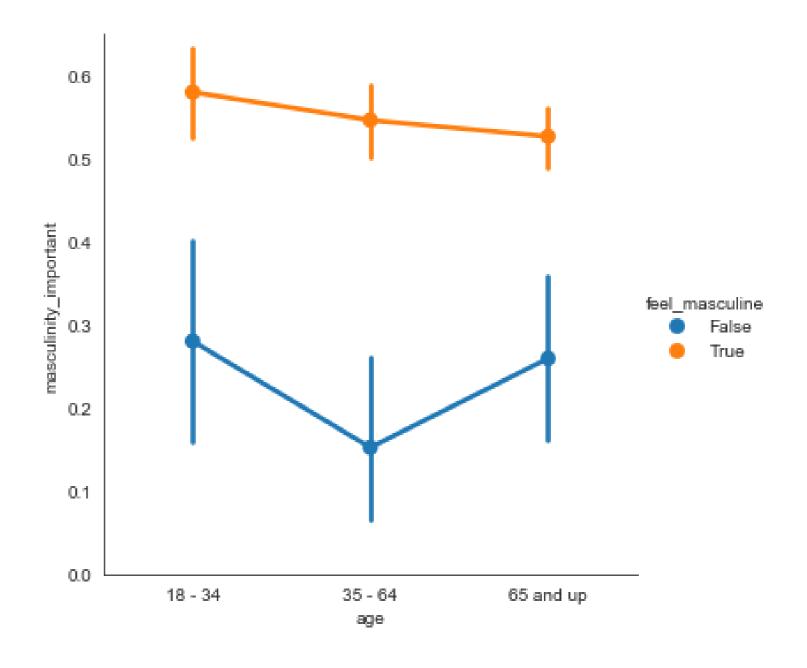
#### **Custom palettes**



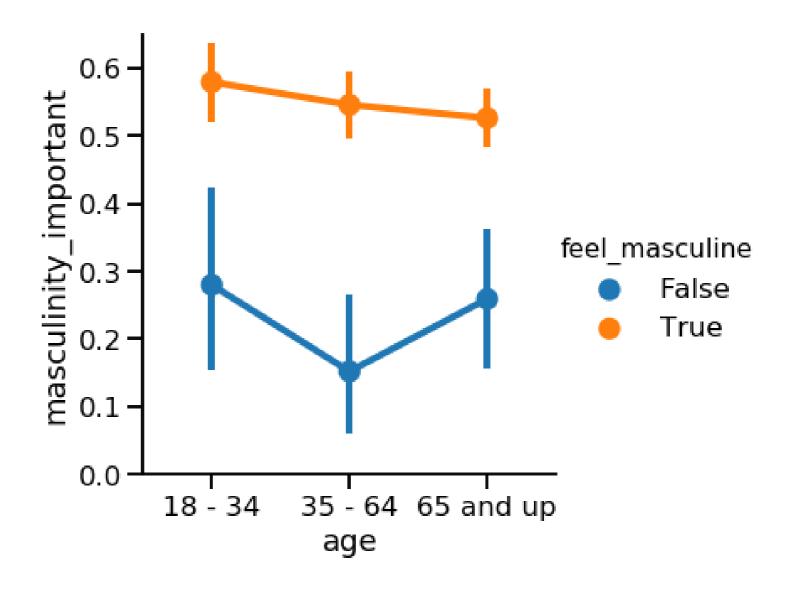
### Changing the scale

- Figure "context" changes the scale of the plot elements and labels
- sns.set\_context()
- Smallest to largest: "paper", "notebook", "talk", "poster"

### Default context: "paper"



### Larger context: "talk"



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# Adding titles and labels: Part 1

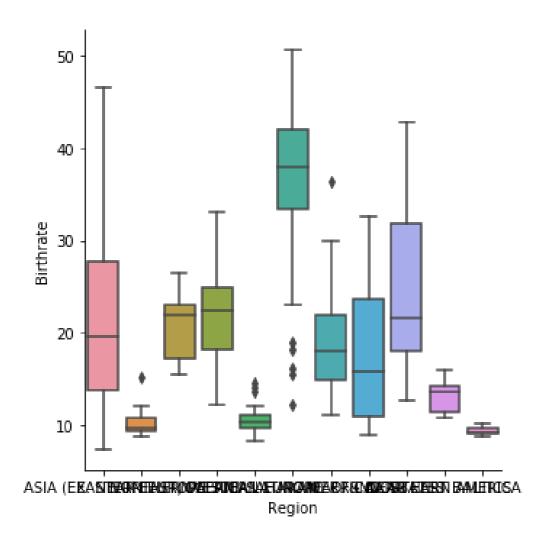
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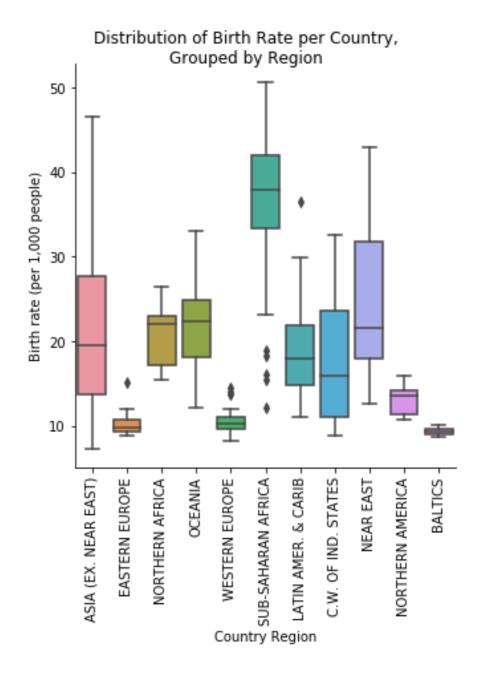


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### Creating informative visualizations





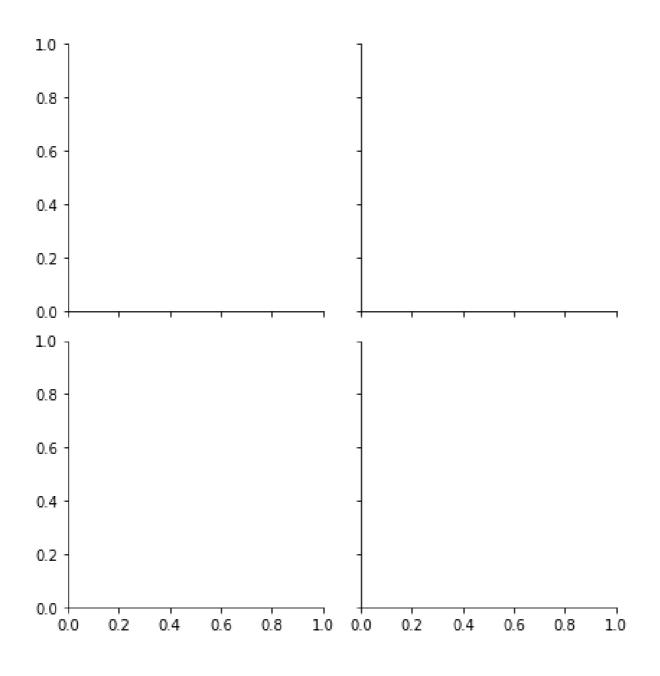
### FacetGrid vs. AxesSubplot objects

Seaborn plots create two different types of objects: FacetGrid and AxesSubplot

```
g = sns.scatterplot(x="height", y="weight", data=df)
type(g)
```

> matplotlib.axes.\_subplots.AxesSubplot

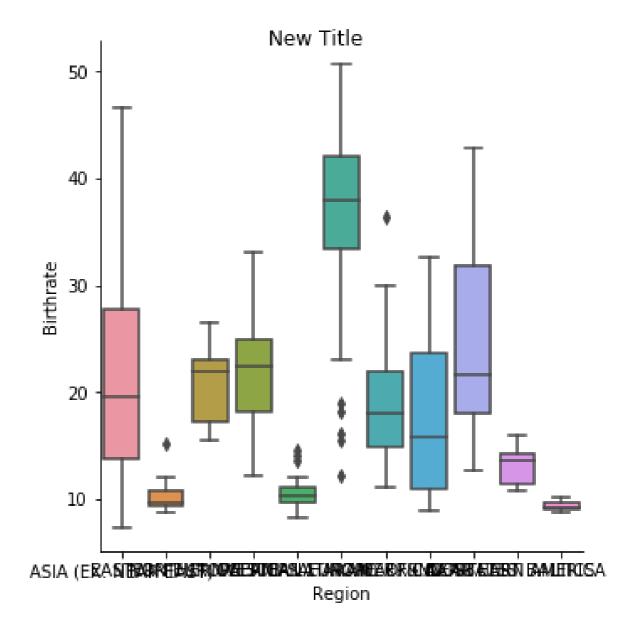
### An Empty FacetGrid



### FacetGrid vs. AxesSubplot objects

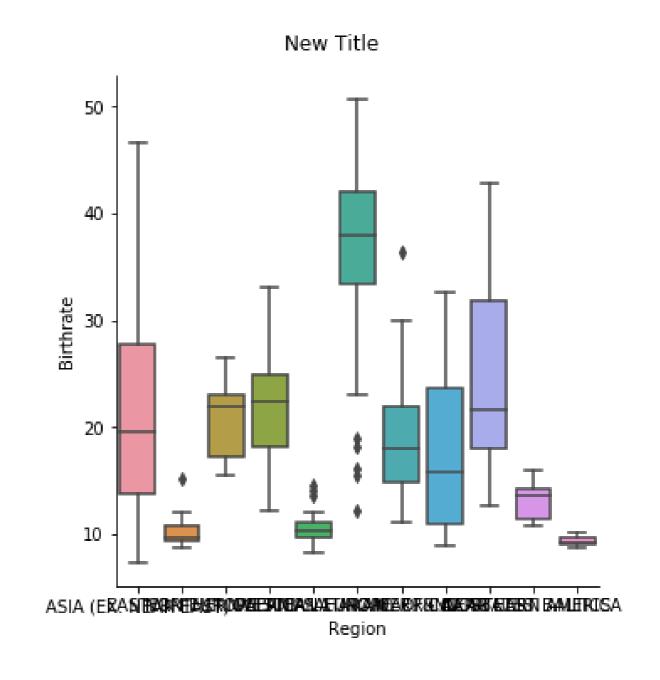
| Object Type | Plot Types                                   | Characteristics            |
|-------------|--|----------------------------|
| FacetGrid   | relplot() , catplot()                        | Can create subplots        |
| AxesSubplot | <pre>scatterplot() , countplot() ,etc.</pre> | Only creates a single plot |

### Adding a title to FacetGrid



### Adjusting height of title in FacetGrid

```
sns.catplot(x="Region",
                y="Birthrate",
                data=gdp_data,
                kind="box")
g.fig.suptitle("New Title",
               y=1.03)
plt.show()
```



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# Adding titles and labels: Part 2

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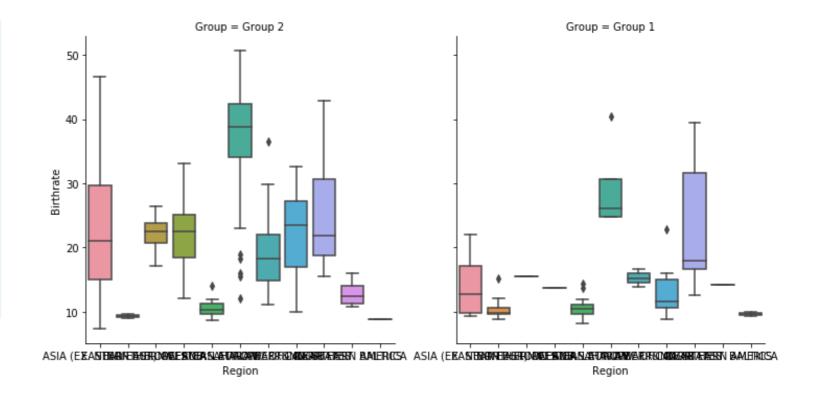


### Adding a title to AxesSubplot

#### **FacetGrid**

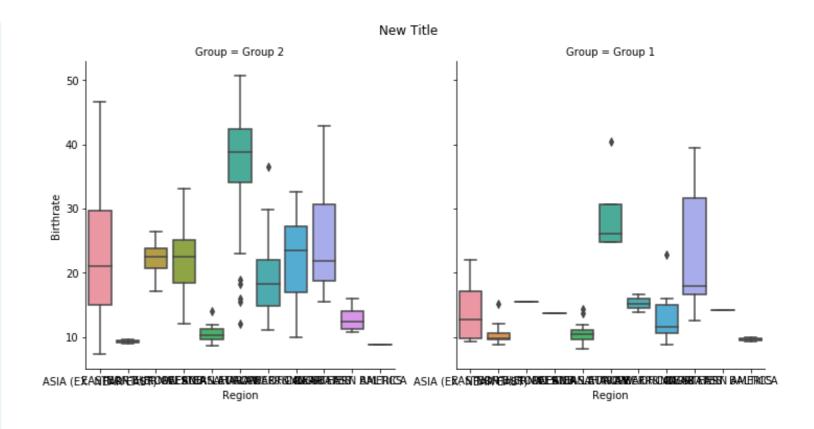
#### AxesSubplot

### Titles for subplots



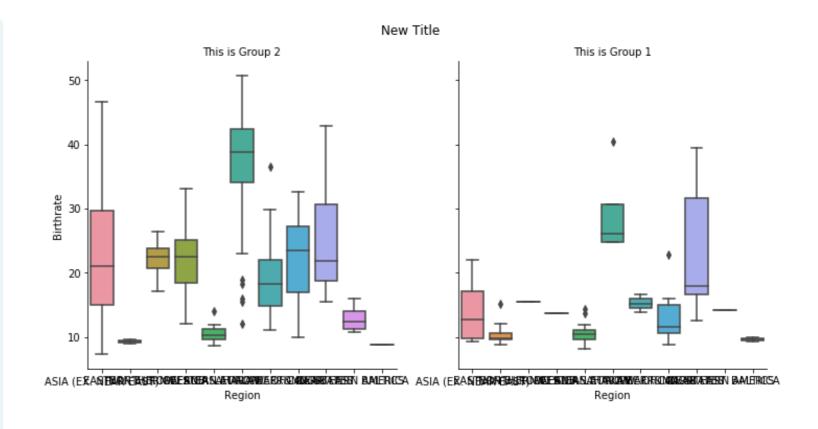
### Titles for subplots

```
= sns.catplot(x="Region",
                y="Birthrate",
                data=gdp_data,
                kind="box",
                col="Group")
g.fig.suptitle("New Title",
               y=1.03)
```



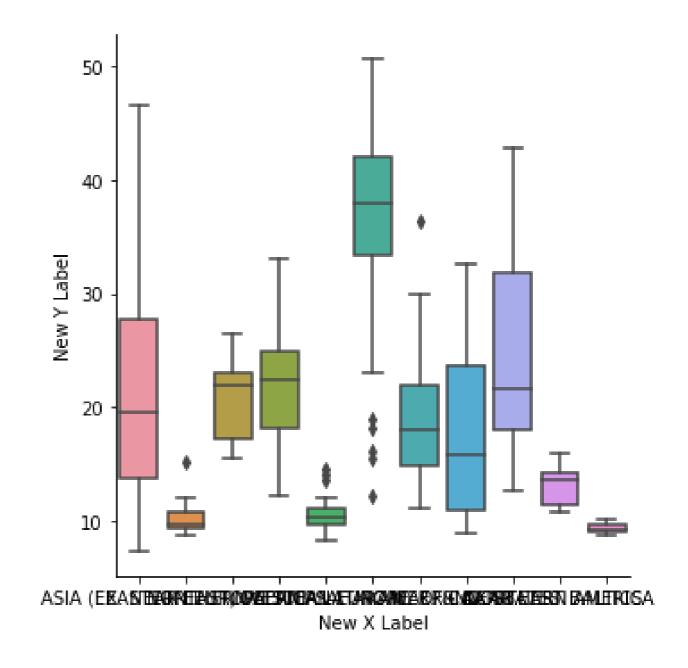
### Titles for subplots

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                data=gdp_data,
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                col="Group")
g.fig.suptitle("New Title",
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g.set_titles("This is {col_name}")
```

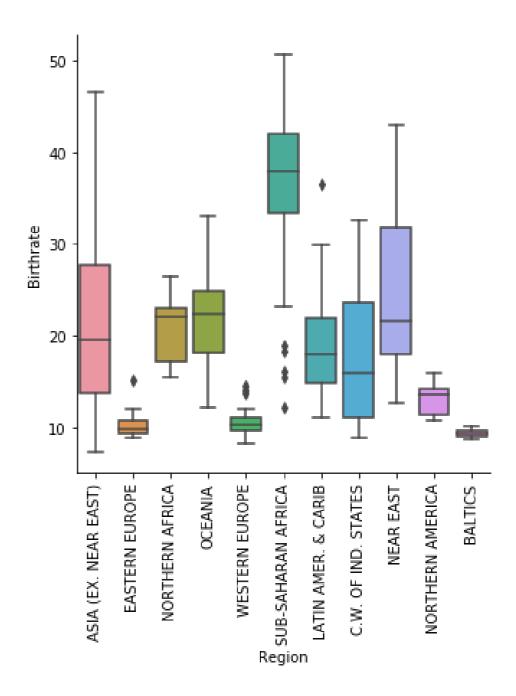


### Adding axis labels

```
= sns.catplot(x="Region",
                y="Birthrate",
                data=gdp_data,
                kind="box")
g.set(xlabel="New X Label",
      ylabel="New Y Label")
plt.show()
```



### Rotating x-axis tick labels



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# Putting it all together

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## Getting started

To import Seaborn:

```
import seaborn as sns
```

To import Matplotlib:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

To show a plot:

```
plt.show()
```



#### Relational plots

- Show the relationship between two quantitative variables
- Examples: scatter plots, line plots

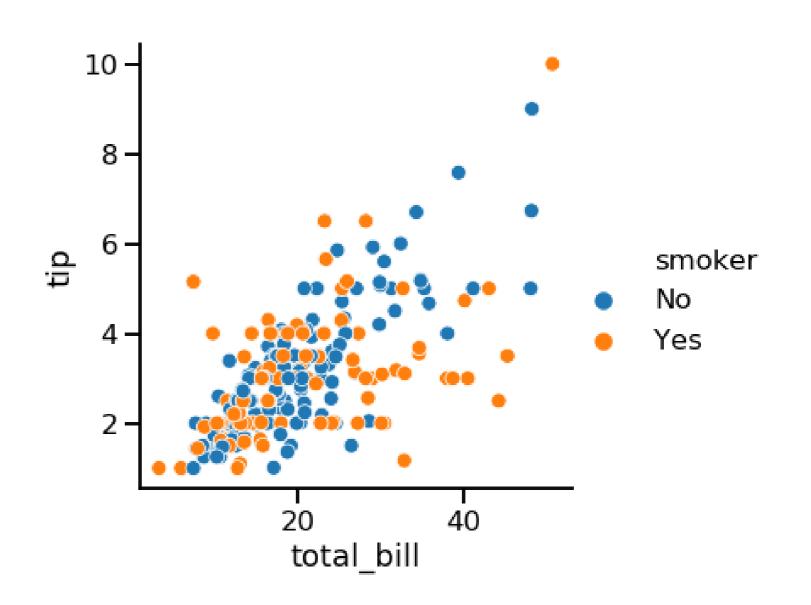
```
sns.relplot(x="x_variable_name",
    y="y_variable_name",
    data=pandas_df,
    kind="scatter")
```

#### Categorical plots

- Show the distribution of a quantitative variable within categories defined by a categorical variable
- Examples: bar plots, count plots, box plots, point plots

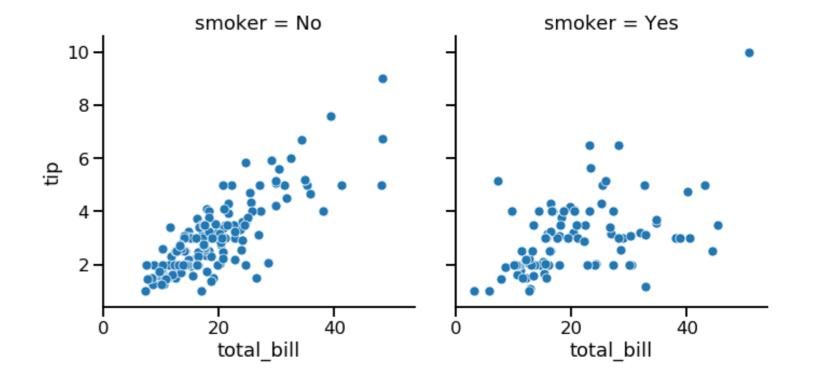
## Adding a third variable (hue)

Setting hue will create subgroups that are displayed as different colors on a single plot.



## Adding a third variable (row/col)

Setting row and/or col in relplot() or catplot() will create subgroups that are displayed on separate subplots.



#### Customization

- Change the background: sns.set\_style()
- Change the main element colors: sns.set\_palette()
- Change the scale: sns.set\_context()

## Adding a title

| Object Type | Plot Types                        | How to Add Title            |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| FacetGrid   | relplot() , catplot()             | <pre>g.fig.suptitle()</pre> |
| AxesSubplot | scatterplot() , countplot() ,etc. | g.set_title()               |

#### Final touches

Add x- and y-axis labels:

```
g.set(xlabel="new x-axis label",
ylabel="new y-axis label")
```

Rotate x-tick labels:

```
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
```

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# Well done! What's next?

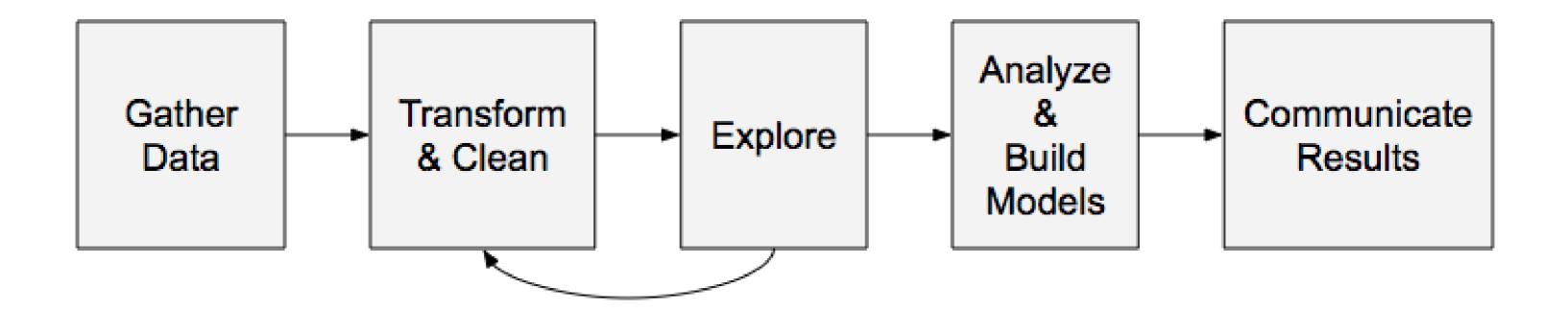
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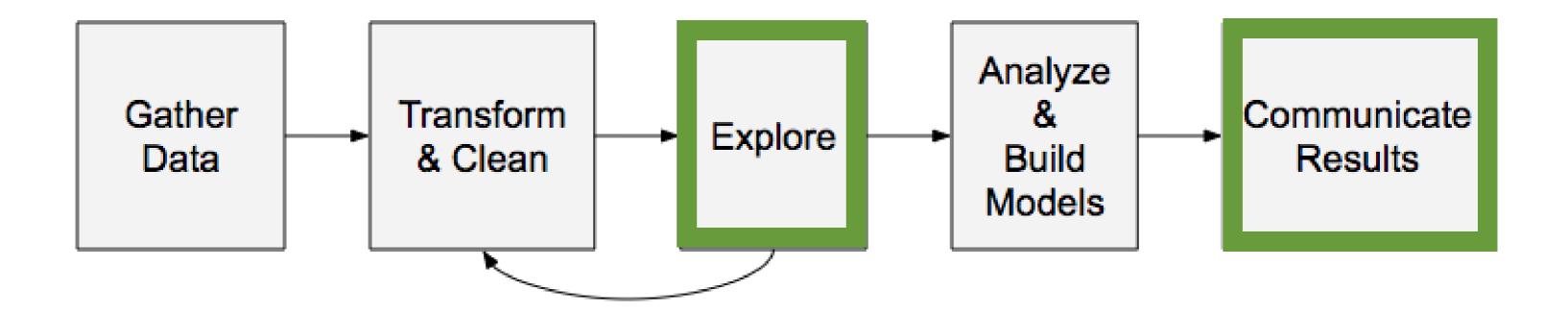
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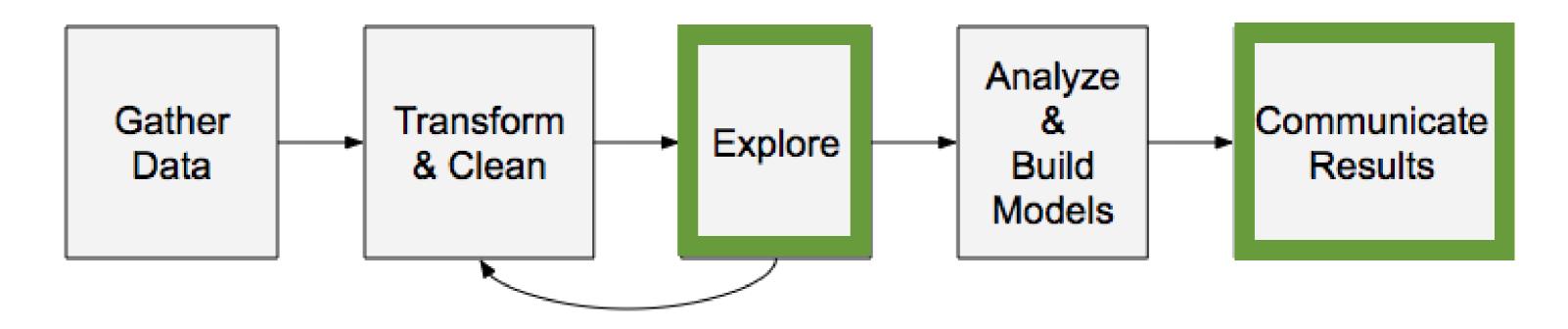
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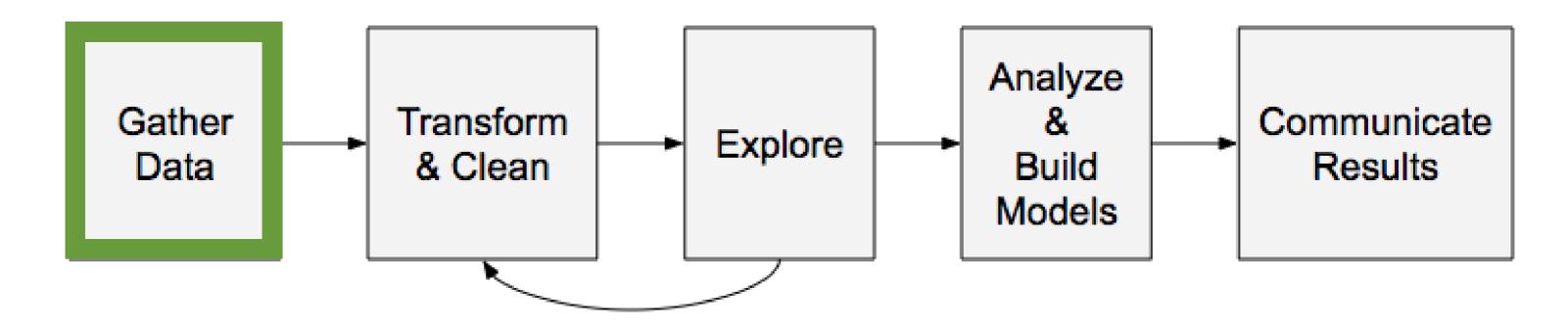


#### Next Steps: Explore and communicate results



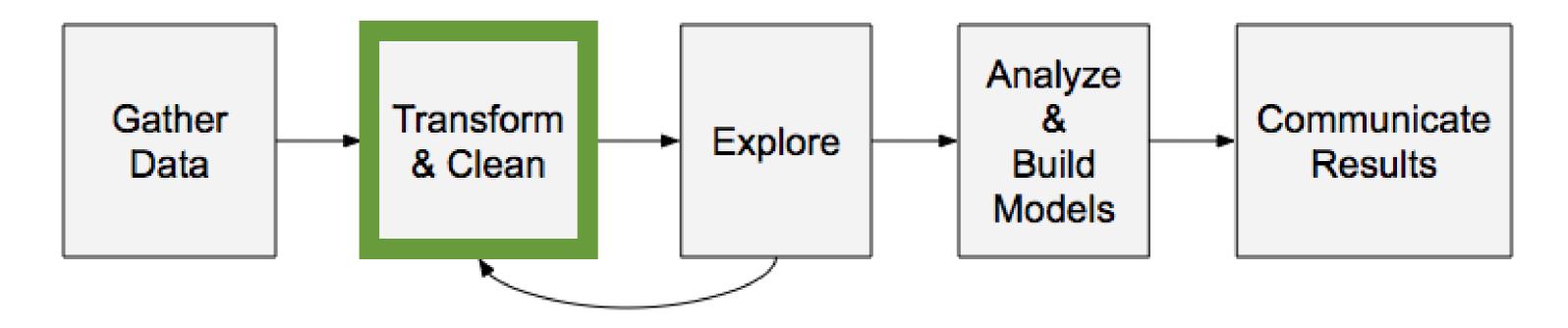
- Seaborn advanced visualizations
- Matplotlib advanced customizations

#### Next steps: Gather data



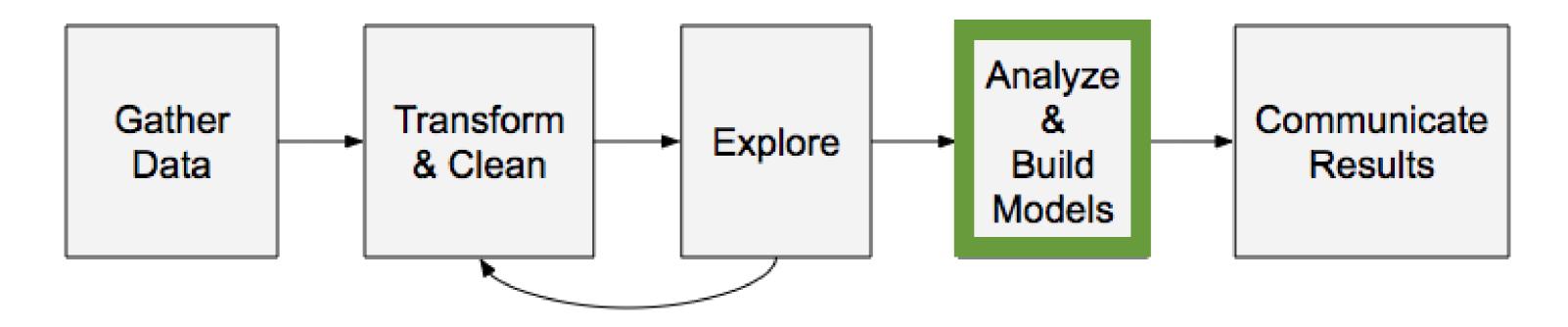
- Python
- SQL

#### Next steps: Transform and clean



- Getting data into Pandas DataFrames
- Cleaning data
- Transforming into tidy format

## Next steps: Analyze and build models



- Statistical analysis
- Calculating and interpreting confidence intervals

## Congratulations!

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