

How to enter the tidyverse of madness

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What's wrong with R?

R is old (circa 1993).

It was originally designed for doing **statistics** with relatively small, simple datasets.

Since then, it has become one of the most popular tools for the new discipline called **data science**.

"Data science is an interdisciplinary field that uses scientific methods, processes, algorithms and systems to extract knowledge and insights from noisy, structured and unstructured data, and apply knowledge and actionable insights from data across a broad range of application domains." https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data_science

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names, colnames
row.names, rownames
rowSums, rowsum
rowMeans, (no parallel rowmean exists)
browseURL, contrib.url, fixup.package.UR
package.contents, packageStatus
getMethod, getS3method
read.csv and write.csv, load and save, r
Sys.time, system.time

[<https://r4stats.com/articles/why-r-is-hard-to-learn/>]

multiple ways to do things

e.g. two different object-oriented systems: S3 and S4 systems

missing values

```
> x <- c(1,2,3,4,NA)
> y <- c(1.1,2.2,3.3,4.4,5.5)

## missing values not okay
> quantile(x)
Error in quantile.default(x) :
  missing values not allowed if 'na.rm'

## missing values okay
> fit <- lm(y ~ x)
> length(x)
[1] 5
> length(residuals(fit))
[1] 4
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Slurping means loading entire datasets into memory before analysing them.

This is not efficient when the analysis really only needs to see a table row-by-row.

But, this it simpler to just load (slurp) the entire dataset in one simple step.

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Although R implements data frames, most functions are designed for vectors and matrices.

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e.g. even if you know what all the functions do, this expression is difficult to understand!

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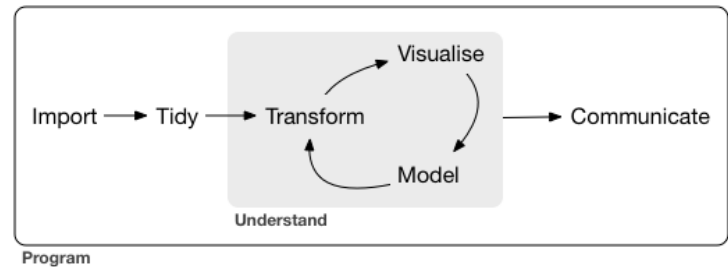


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Here is intended workflow in the tidyverse:



- Data is **imported** and made **tidy** so it can be analysed
- Analysis involves **transforming** the data
- Relationships in the data are **visualised**
- **Models** are applied to test relationships
- Finally, conclusions are **communicated**

tidyverse book

<https://r4ds.had.co.nz/>

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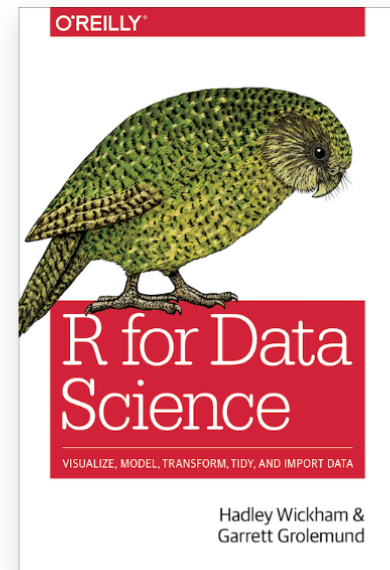
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Using tidyverse packages

Installing all tidyverse packages.

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install.packages("tidyverse")
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Aim Determine if the drug will reduce attention deficits by reducing blink rate.

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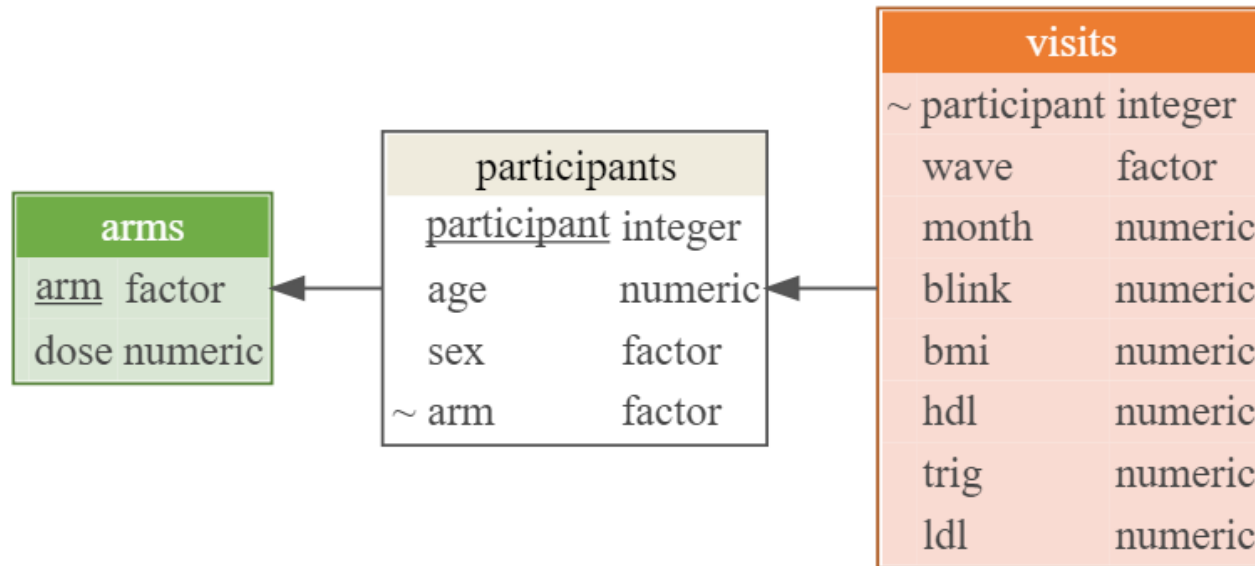
There were 4 arms:

controls (arm 1), low dose (arm 2), medium (arm 3), high (arm 4)

Each arm had 100 randomly selected individuals.

Data was collected in 3 waves:

Dataset schema



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> arms  
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Pretty printing Tibbles are nicer to look at!
Typing the name of a data frame in R and pressing enter will print the entire data frame to the screen, regardless of its length or width! Tibbles will only show the first few rows and columns along with the dimensions of the data frame and data type of each column.

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We'll use the count() function to count participants in each arm.

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> count(participants, arm)
# A tibble: 4 × 2
  arm      n
  <chr> <int>
1 arm1    100
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count() is very similar to the table() function in base R.

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5 arm3   F       50
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7 arm4   F       46
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Filtering

That last output gives more information than we wanted. To focus on just females, we'll need to filter out information about males.

To do this, we use the `filter()` function.

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> counts <- count(participants, arm, sex)
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... or even better, split across multiple lines

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Did you notice some **magic**?

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In base R, we'd use the function `merge()`.

For tibbles, we have four different functions: `left_join()`, `right_join()`, `inner_join()` and `full_join()`.

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Recall participants.

```
> participants
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3         3  25.4 F arm2
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# ... with 390 more rows
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Notice how the result is just visits.s but with some additional columns from participants.

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1	0	F	48	25.1	21.6	17.7
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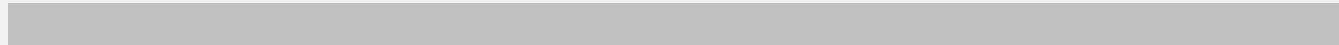
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As expected, BMI is strongly associated across waves ($p = 4.8\text{e-}195$).

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pivot_wider(
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  names_from=wave,          ## ne
  values_from=bmi) %>%     ## ne
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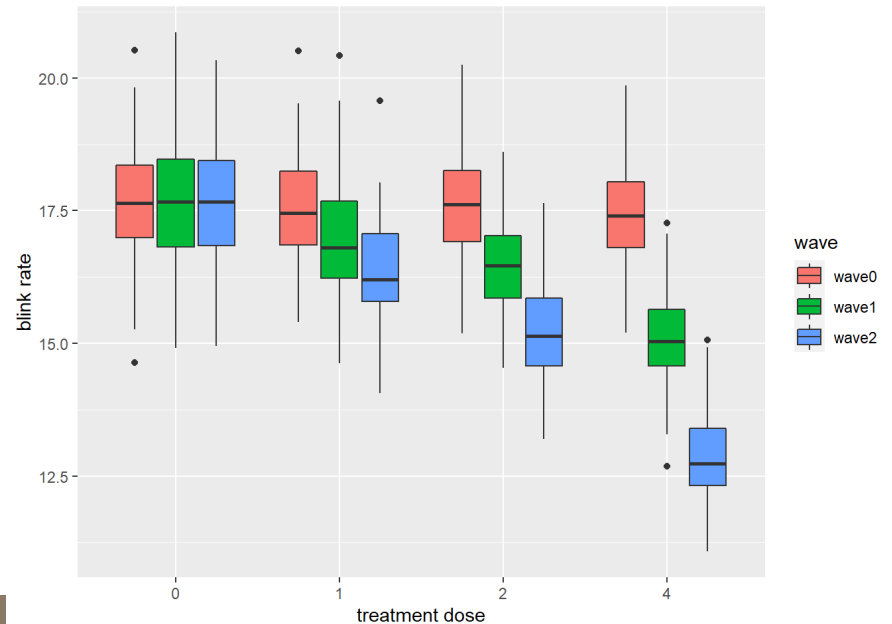
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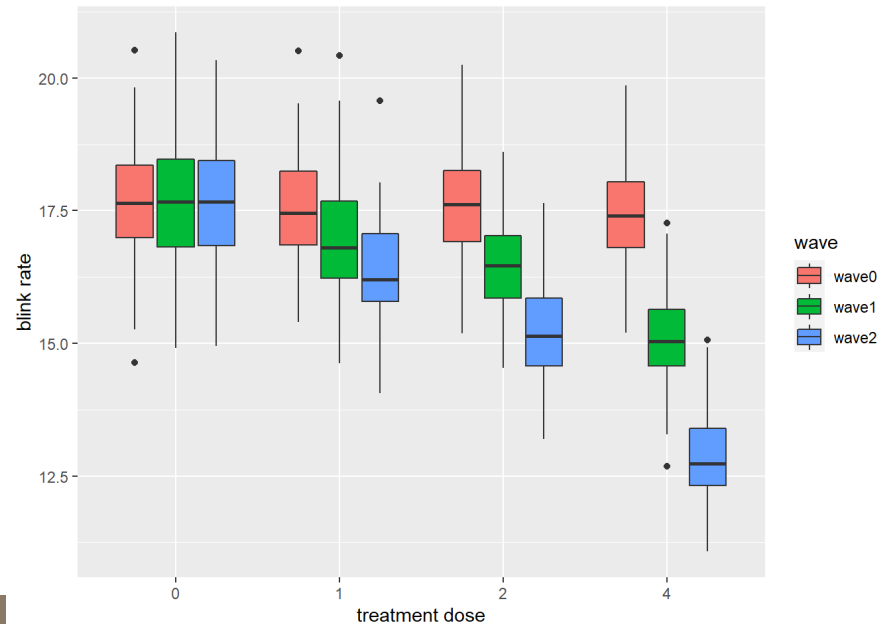
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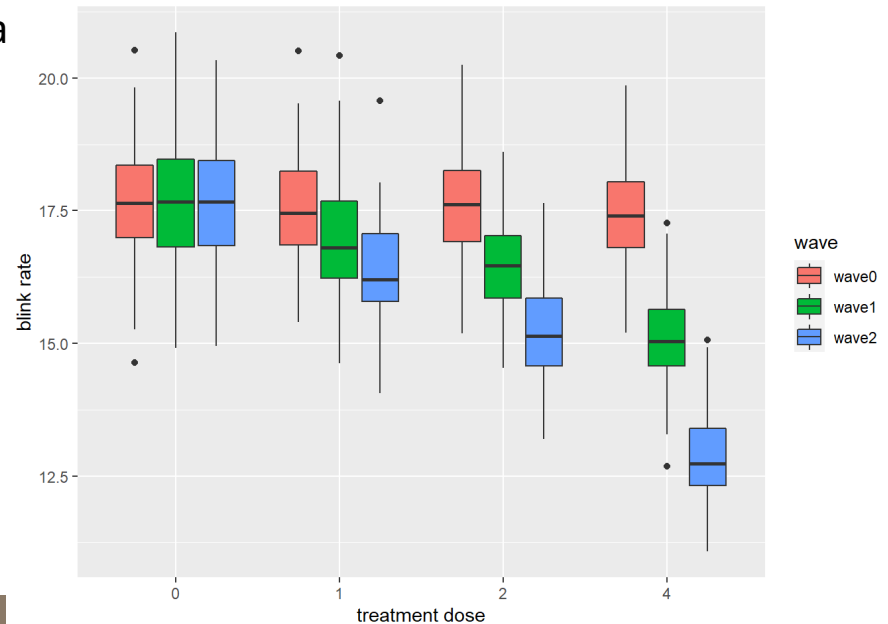
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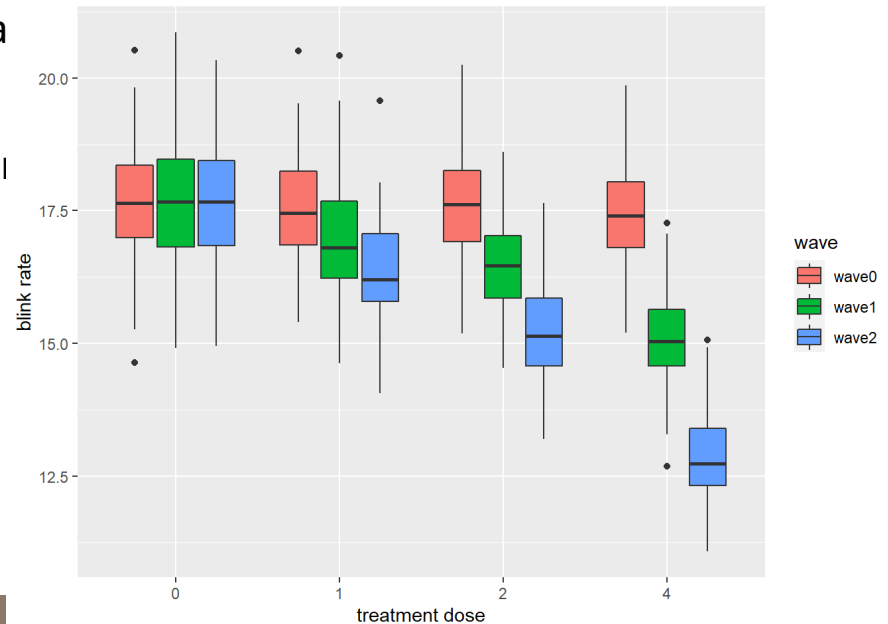
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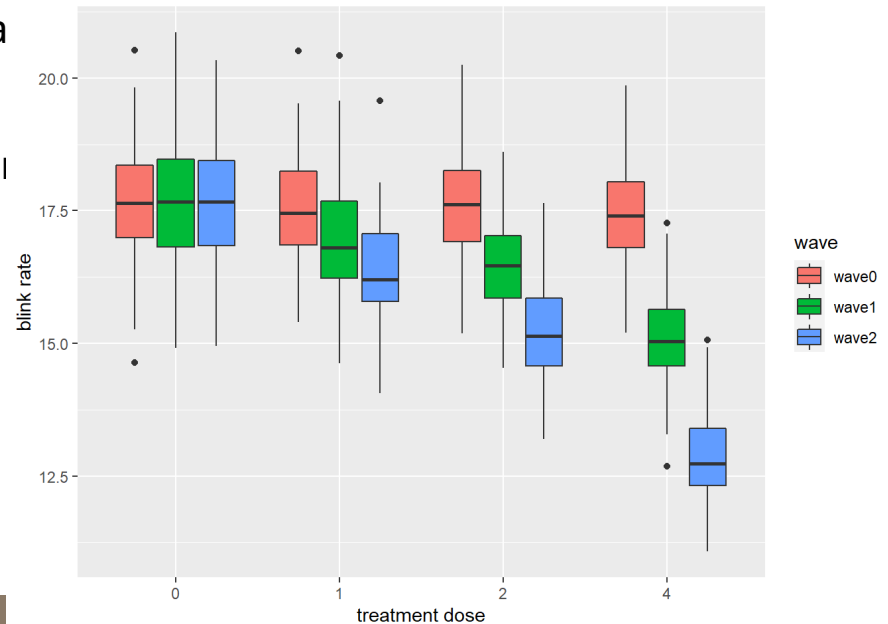
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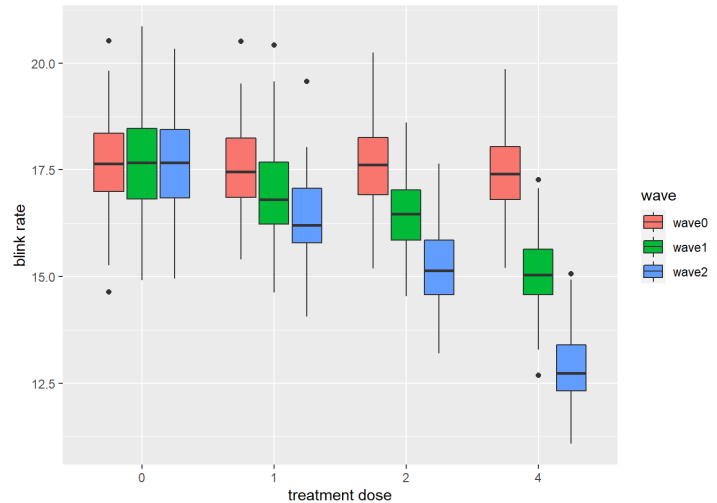
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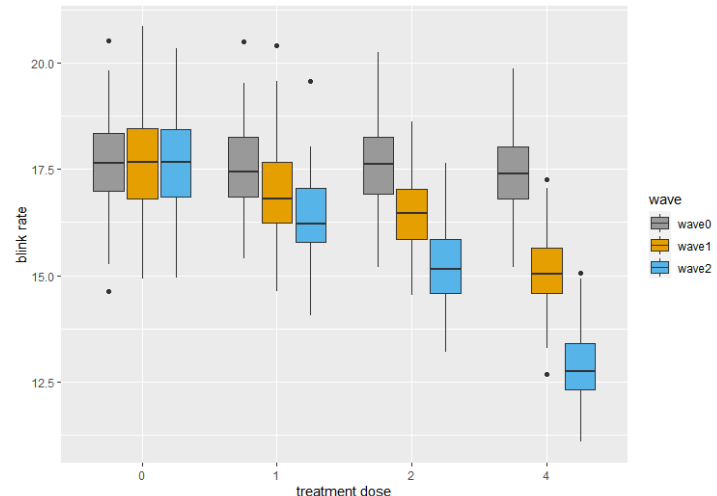

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Later, we can add additional instructions about the plot, e.g. to change the boxplot colors

```
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p <- p + scale_fill_manual(values=fill.cols)
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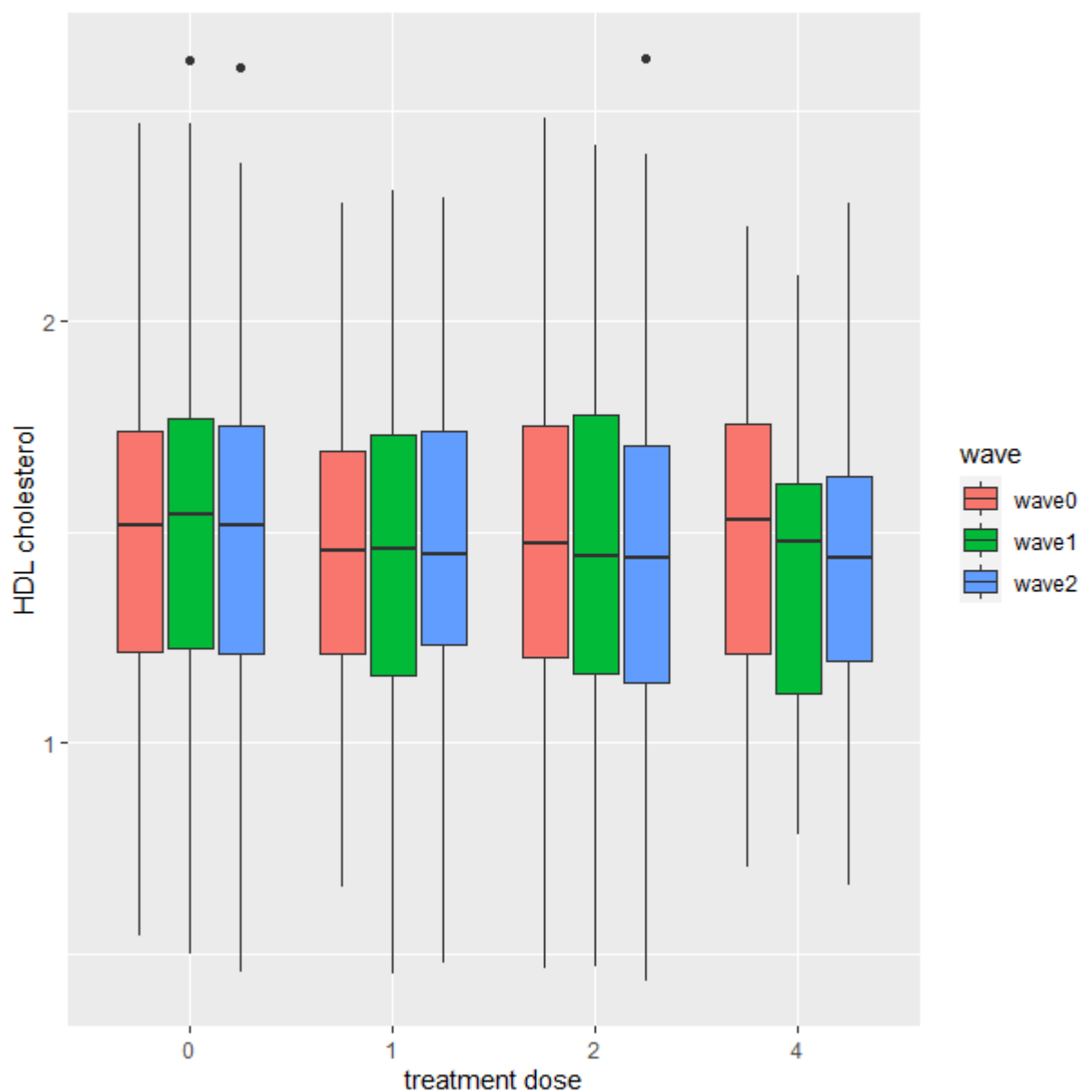
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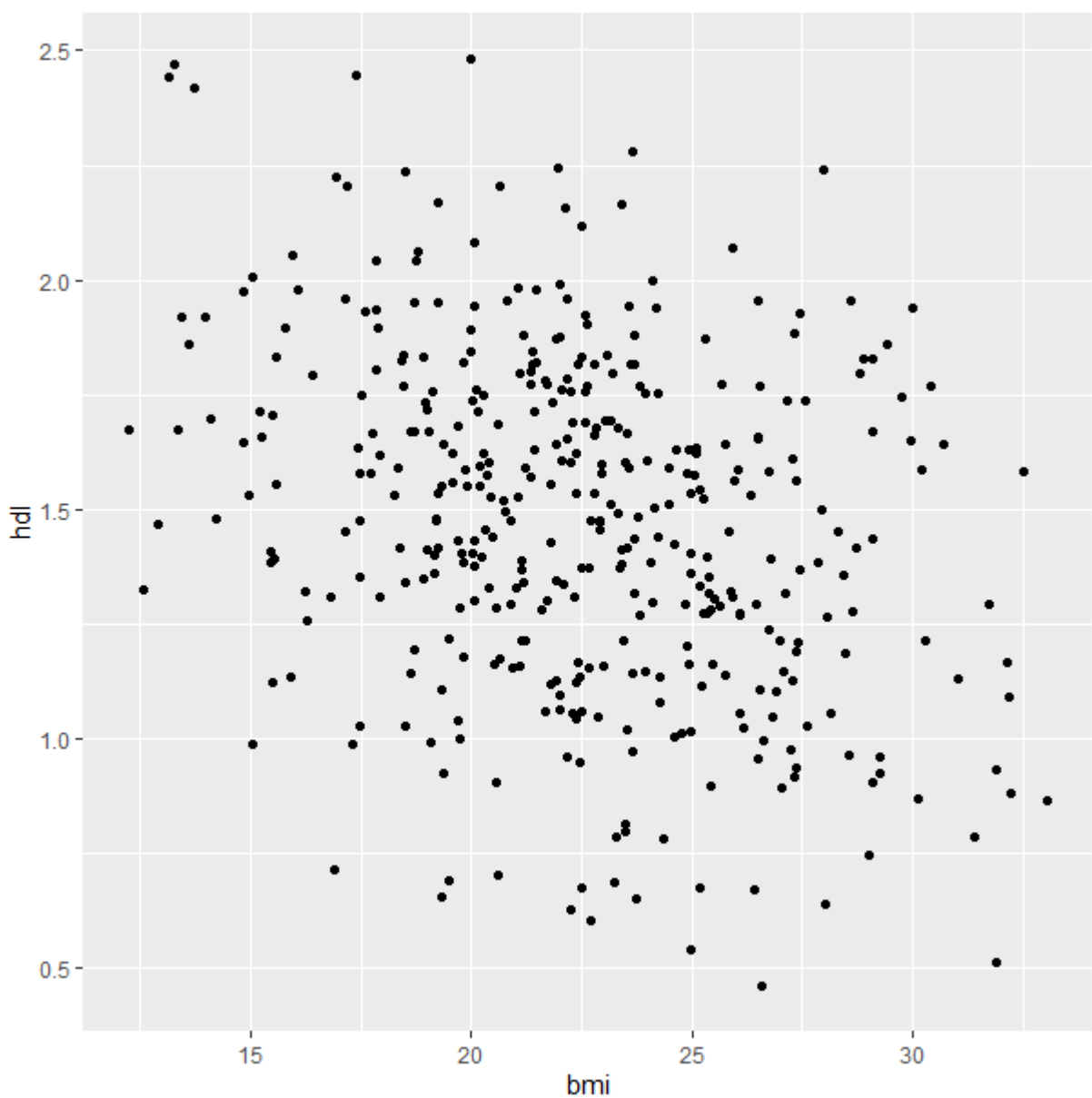
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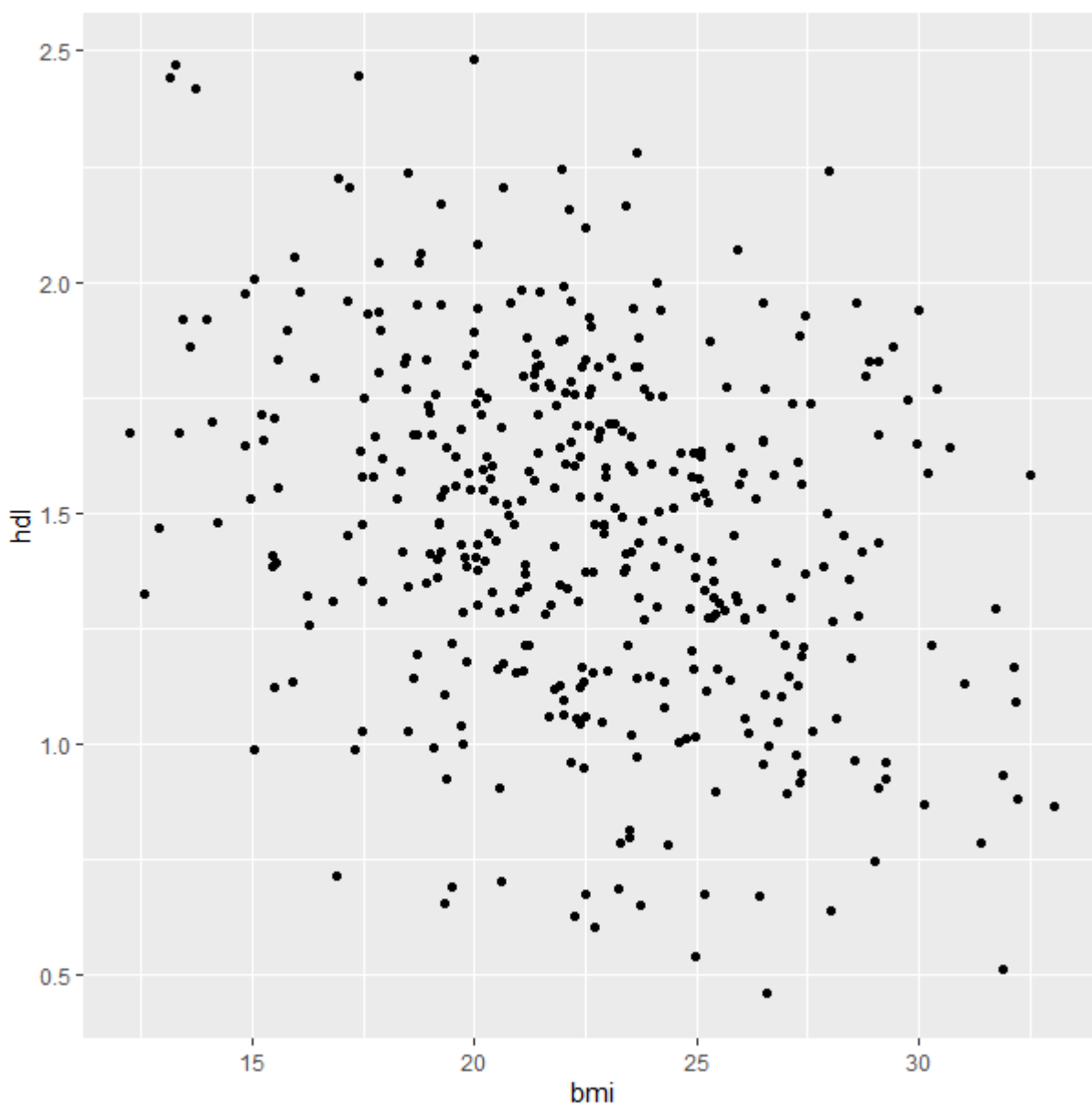
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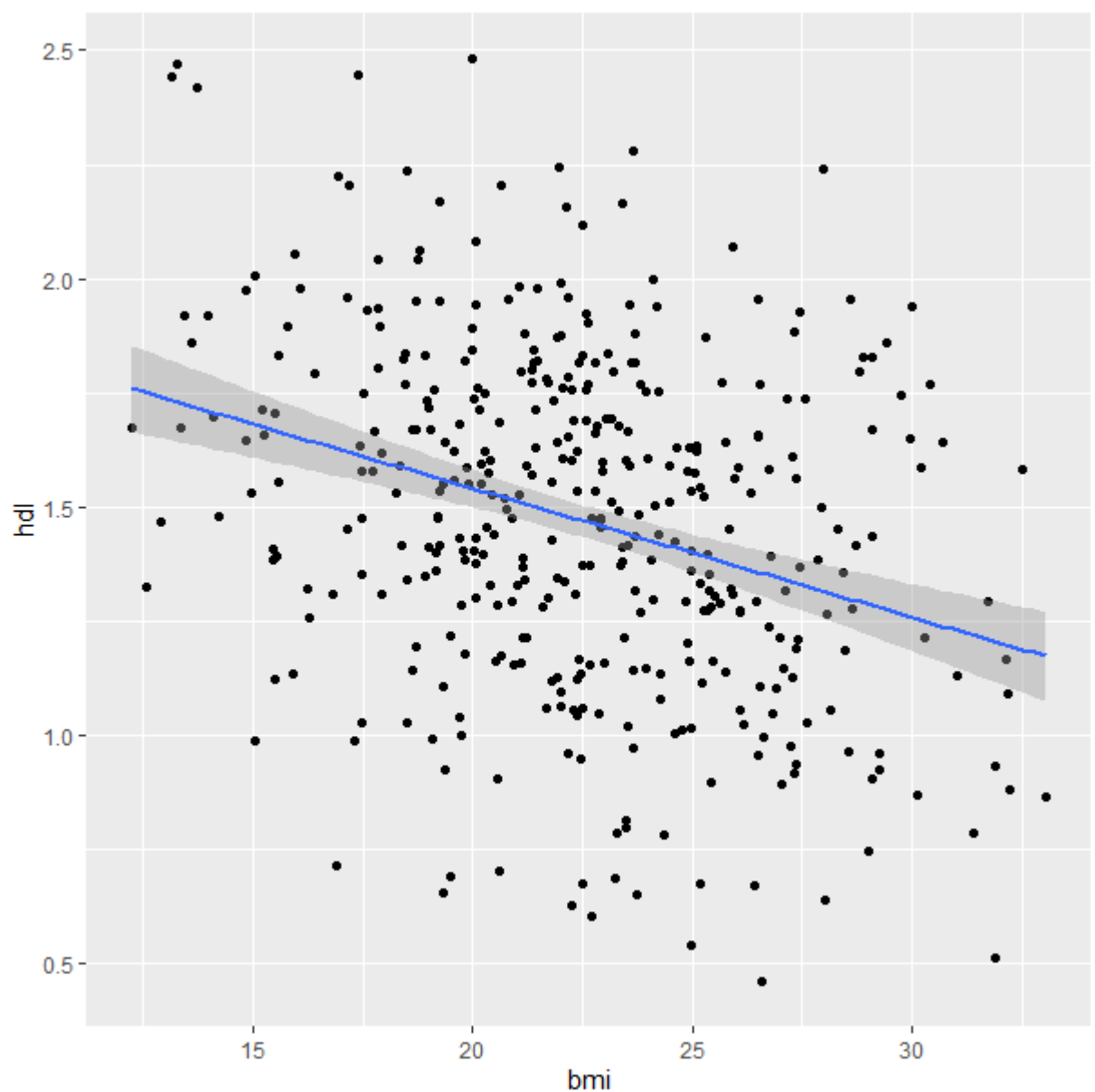
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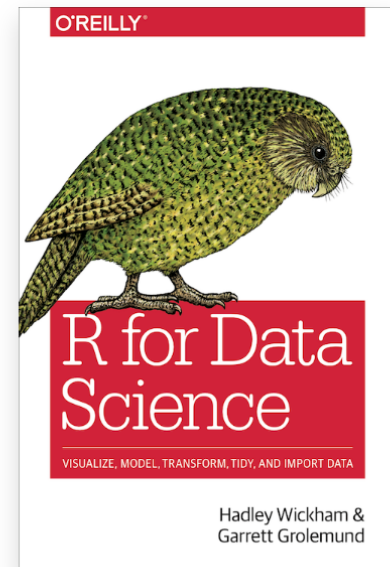
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Welcome

This is the website for “**R for Data Science**”. This book will teach you how to do data science with R: You’ll learn how to get your data into R, get it into the most useful structure, transform it, visualise it and model it. In this book, you will find a practicum of skills for data science. Just as a chemist learns how to clean test tubes and stock a lab, you’ll learn how to clean data and draw plots—and many other things besides. These are the skills that allow data science to happen, and here you will find the best practices for doing each of these things with R. You’ll learn how to use the grammar of graphics, literate programming, and reproducible research to save time. You’ll also learn how to manage



Converting between base R and dplyr

If you are familiar with base R, you might find it useful to see how dplyr commands map to base R commands.

<https://dplyr.tidyverse.org/articles/base.html>

e.g.

dplyr

`arrange(df, x)`

`distinct(df, x)`

`filter(df, x)`

`mutate(df, z = x + y)`

`pull(df, 1)`

`pull(df, x)`

`rename(df, y = x)`

...

base

`df[order(x), , drop = FALSE]`

`df[!duplicated(x), , drop = FALSE], unique()`

`df[which(x), , drop = FALSE], subset()`

`df$z <- df$x + df$y, transform()`

`df[[1]]`

`df$x`

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<https://github.com/matloff/TidyverseSkeptic>