

cm008 Exercises: Fix the Plots

In this worksheet, we'll be looking at some erroneous plots and fixing them.

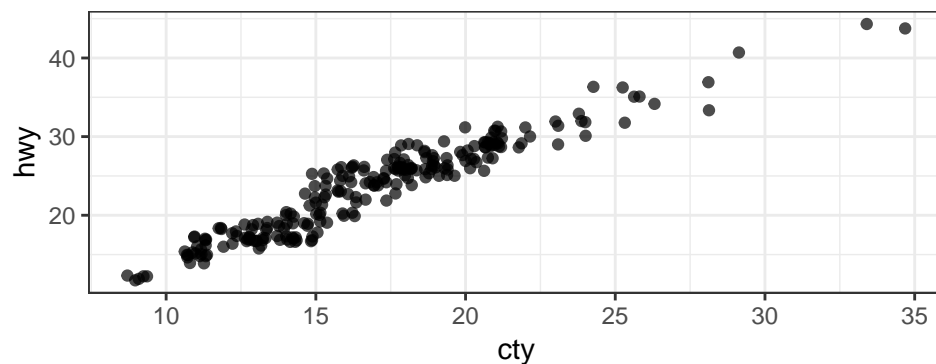
I think you might not have these two packages installed:

```
install.packages("ggridges")
install.packages("scales")
knitr::opts_chunk$set(error = TRUE, warning = FALSE)
gapminder
```

```
## # A tibble: 1,704 x 6
##   country    continent  year lifeExp      pop gdpPercap
##   <fct>      <fct>    <int>  <dbl>   <int>   <dbl>
## 1 Afghanistan Asia      1952   28.8  8425333    779.
## 2 Afghanistan Asia      1957   30.3  9240934    821.
## 3 Afghanistan Asia      1962   32.0 10267083    853.
## 4 Afghanistan Asia      1967   34.0 11537966    836.
## 5 Afghanistan Asia      1972   36.1 13079460    740.
## 6 Afghanistan Asia      1977   38.4 14880372    786.
## 7 Afghanistan Asia      1982   39.9 12881816    978.
## 8 Afghanistan Asia      1987   40.8 13867957    852.
## 9 Afghanistan Asia      1992   41.7 16317921    649.
## 10 Afghanistan Asia      1997   41.8 22227415    635.
## # ... with 1,694 more rows
```

Exercise 1: Overlapping Points

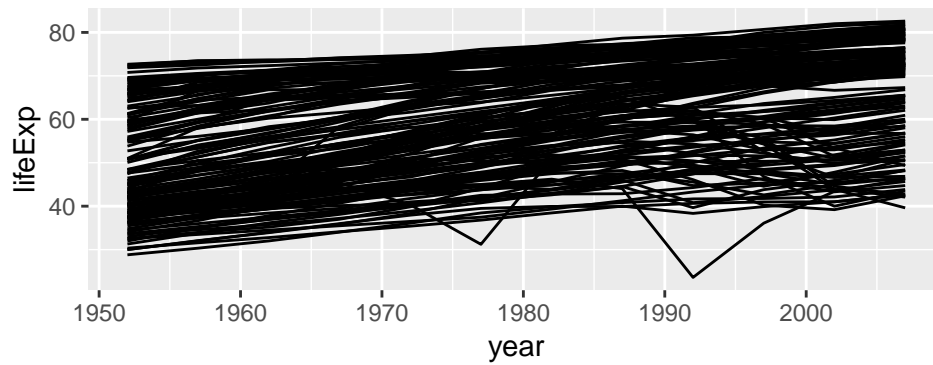
After fixing the error, fix the overlapping problem in the following plot (attribution: "R for data science").



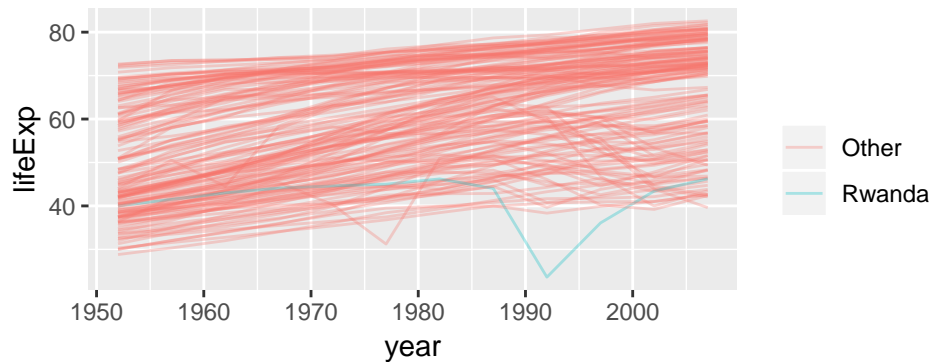
Exercise 2: Line for each Country

Fix this plot so that it shows life expectancy over time *for each country*. Notice that `ggplot2` ignores the grouping of a tibble!

```
ggplot(gapminder, aes(year, lifeExp, group = country)) +
  geom_line()
```



```
gapminder %>%
  # group_by(country) %>%
  ggplot(aes(year, lifeExp, group = country, colour = country == "Rwanda")) +
  geom_line(alpha = 0.3) +
  scale_colour_discrete("", labels = c("Other", "Rwanda"))
```

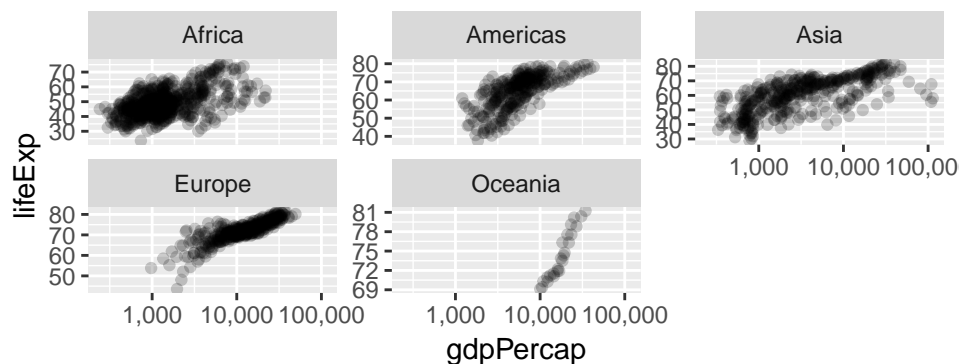


Exercise 3: More gdpPerCap vs lifeExp

3(a) Facets

- Change the x-axis text to be in “comma format” with `scales::comma_format()`.
- Separate each continent into sub-panels.

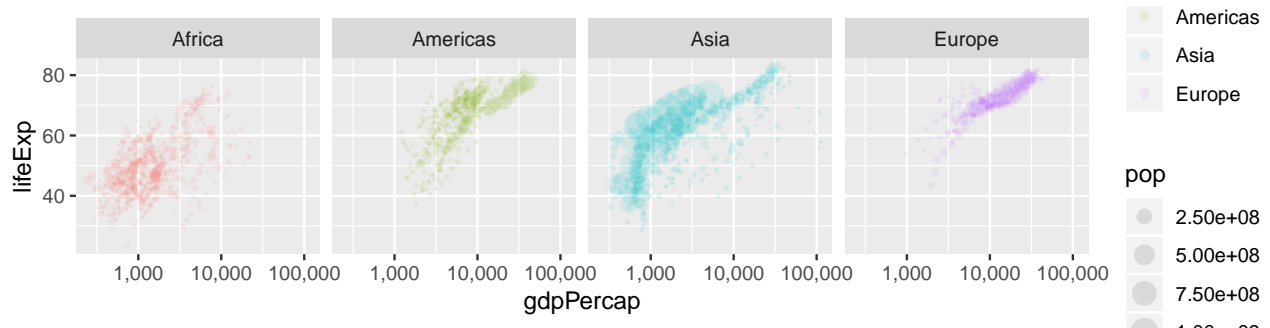
```
ggplot(gapminder, aes(gdpPerCap, lifeExp)) +
  geom_point(alpha = 0.2) +
  scale_x_log10(labels = scales::comma_format()) +
  facet_wrap(~ continent, scales = "free_y")
```



3(b) Bubble Plot

- Put the plots in one row, and free up the axes.
- Make a bubble plot by making the size of the points proportional to population.
- Try adding a `scale_size_area()` layer too (could also try `scale_radius()`).
- Use `shape=21` to distinguish between `fill` (interior) and `colour` (exterior).

```
gapminder %>%  
  filter(continent != "Oceania") %>%  
  ggplot(aes(gdpPercap, lifeExp, size = pop, colour = continent)) +  
  facet_wrap(~ continent, nrow = 1) +  
  geom_point(alpha = 0.1) +  
  scale_x_log10(labels = scales::comma_format()) +  
  scale_size_area()
```

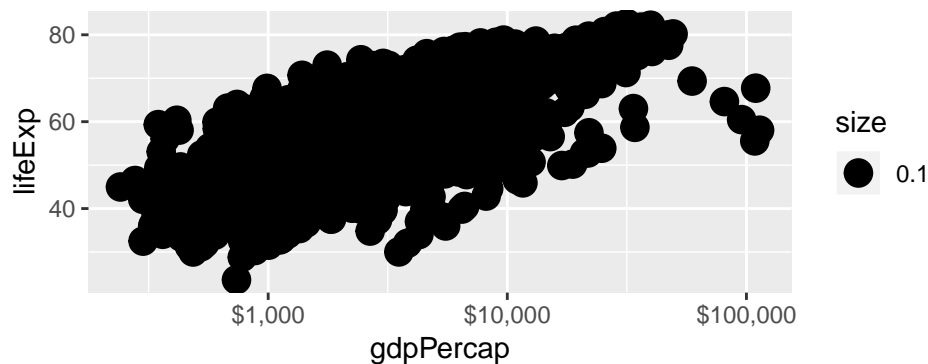


A list of shapes can be found at the bottom of the `scale_shape` documentation.

3(c) Size “not working”

Instead of alpha transparency, suppose you’re wanting to fix the overplotting issue by plotting small points. Why is this not working? Fix it.

```
ggplot(gapminder) +  
  geom_point(aes(gdpPercap, lifeExp, size = 0.1)) +  
  scale_x_log10(labels = scales::dollar_format())
```



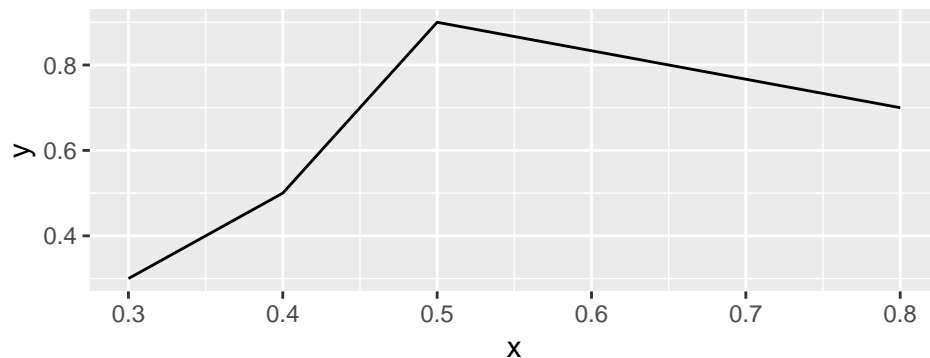
Exercise 4: Walking caribou

The following mock data set marks the (x,y) position of a caribou at four time points.

- Fix the plot below so that it shows the path of the caribou.

- Add an arrow with `arrow = arrow()`.
- Add the time label with `geom_text()`.

```
tribble(
  ~time, ~x, ~y,
  1, 0.3, 0.3,
  2, 0.8, 0.7,
  3, 0.5, 0.9,
  4, 0.4, 0.5
) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x, y)) +
  geom_line()
```

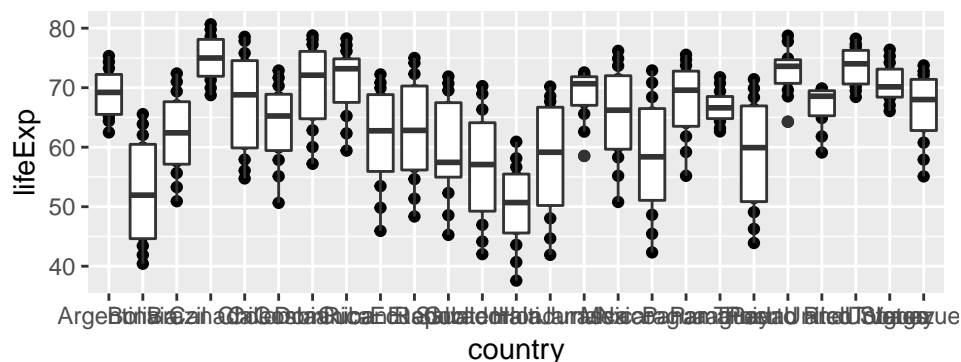


Exercise 5: Life expectancies in Africa

5(a) Unhiding the data

Fix the plot so that you can actually see the data points. Be sure to solve the problem of overlapping text, without rotating the text.

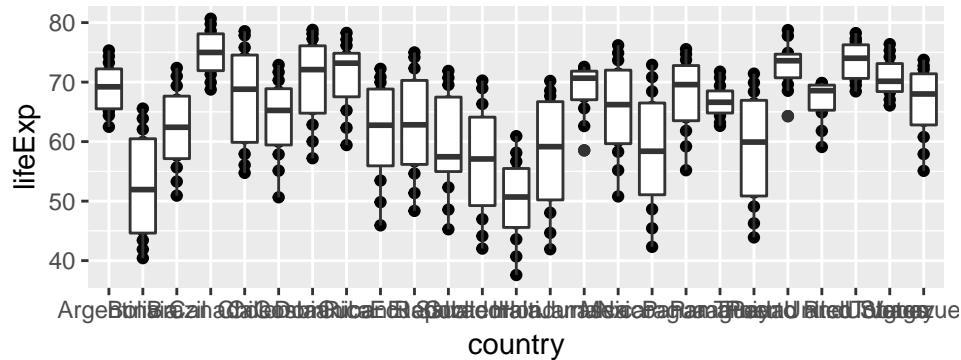
```
gapminder %>%
  filter(continent == "Americas") %>%
  ggplot(aes(country, lifeExp)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_boxplot()
```



5(b) Ridgeplots

We're starting with the same plot as above, but instead of the points + boxplot, try a ridge plot instead using `ggribes::geom_density_ridges()`, and adjust the `bandwidth`.

```
gapminder %>%
  filter(continent == "Americas") %>%
  ggplot(aes(country, lifeExp)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_boxplot()
```

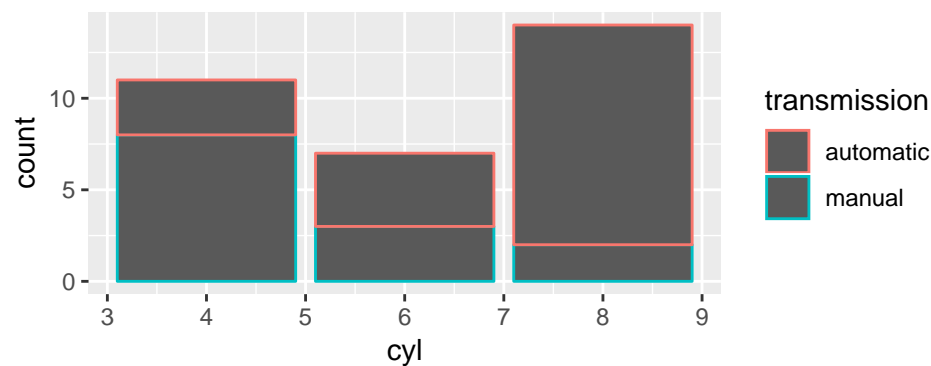


Exercise 6: Bar plot madness

6(a) Colour and stacking madness

- Change the following plot so that it shows *proportion* on the y-axis, not count.
- Change the x-axis so that it doesn't appear to be continuous.
- Put the bars for transmission side-by-side with their own colour.
- Capitalize the legend title.

```
mtcars %>%
  mutate(transmission = if_else(am == 0, "automatic", "manual")) %>%
  ggplot(aes(cyl)) +
  geom_bar(aes(colour = transmission))
```



6(b) Bar heights already calculated

Here's the number of people having a certain hair colour from a sample of 592 people:

```
(hair <- as_tibble(HairEyeColor)) %>%
  count(Hair, wt = n)
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
##   Hair      n
```

```
##   <chr> <dbl>
## 1 Black   108
## 2 Blond   127
## 3 Brown   286
## 4 Red     71
```

Fix the following bar plot so that it shows these counts.

```
ggplot(hair, aes(Hair, n)) +
  geom_bar()
```

```
## Error: stat_count() must not be used with a y aesthetic.
```

Exercise 7: Tiling

Here's the number of people having a certain hair and eye colour from a sample of 592 people:

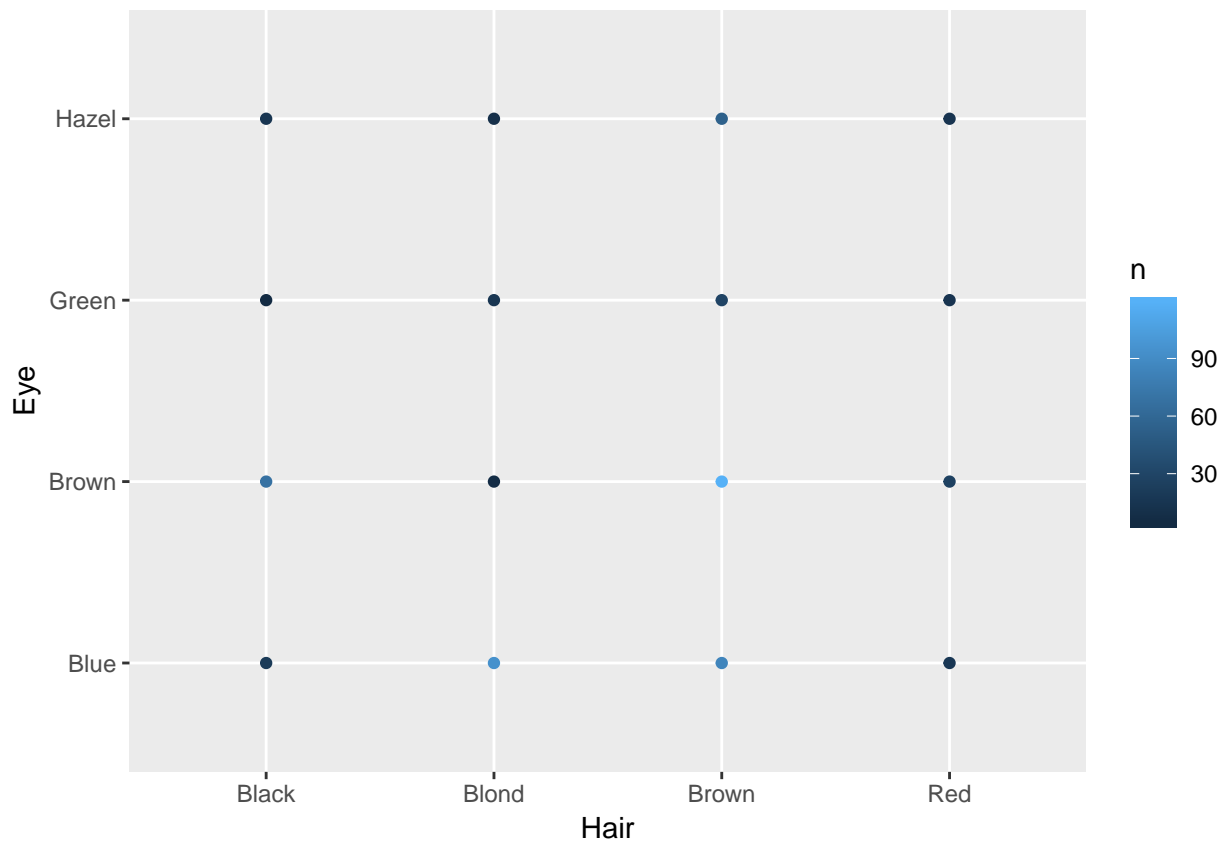
```
(hair_eye <- as_tibble(HairEyeColor) %>%
  count(Hair, Eye, wt = n))
```

```
## # A tibble: 16 x 3
##   Hair Eye      n
##   <chr> <chr> <dbl>
## 1 Black Blue    20
## 2 Black Brown   68
## 3 Black Green    5
## 4 Black Hazel   15
```

```
## 5 Blond Blue      94
## 6 Blond Brown      7
## 7 Blond Green     16
## 8 Blond Hazel     10
## 9 Brown Blue      84
## 10 Brown Brown   119
## 11 Brown Green    29
## 12 Brown Hazel    54
## 13 Red   Blue     17
## 14 Red   Brown    26
## 15 Red   Green    14
## 16 Red   Hazel    14
```

Fix the following plot so that it shows a filled-in square for each combination.

```
ggplot(hair_eye, aes(Hair, Eye)) +
  geom_point(aes(colour = n))
```



By the way, `geom_count()` is like `geom_bar()`: it counts the number of overlapping points.

Additional take-home practice

If you'd like some practice, give these exercises a try

Exercise 1: Make a plot of `year` (x) vs `lifeExp` (y), with points coloured by continent. Then, to that same plot, fit a straight regression line to each continent, without the error bars. If you can, try piping the data frame into the `ggplot()` function.

Exercise 2: Repeat Exercise 1, but switch the *regression line* and *geom_point* layers. How is this plot different from that of Exercise 1?

Exercise 3: Omit the `geom_point()` layer from either of the above two plots (it doesn't matter which). Does the line still show up, even though the data aren't shown? Why or why not?

Exercise 4: Make a plot of `year` (x) vs `lifeExp` (y), faceted by continent. Then, fit a smoother through the data for each continent, without the error bars. Choose a span that you feel is appropriate.

Exercise 5: Plot the population over time (year) using lines, so that each country has its own line. Colour by `gdpPercap`. Add alpha transparency to your liking.

Exercise 6: Add points to the plot in Exercise 5.