Wrapping up: Further reading (all Free!)

- RStudio > Help > Cheatsheets > Data Visualization with ggplot2
- ggplot2 book v3 (Hadley Wickham, Danielle Navarro, and Thomas Lin Pedersen)
- patchwork website
- Cookbook for R (Winston Chang)
- R for Data Science (Hadley Wickham & Garrett Grolemund)
 - Chp 3 Data Visualization
- Data Visualization: A practical introduction (Kieran Healy)

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Creating Figures as an Intro to R

Using the ggplot2 package





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Preamble

Online workshops can be challenging

Consider keeping your video on (if possible)

- Kids? Pets? Spouses? No problem
- But ultimately, you need be comfortable! (and you absolutely have the right to privacy)

Interrupt me!

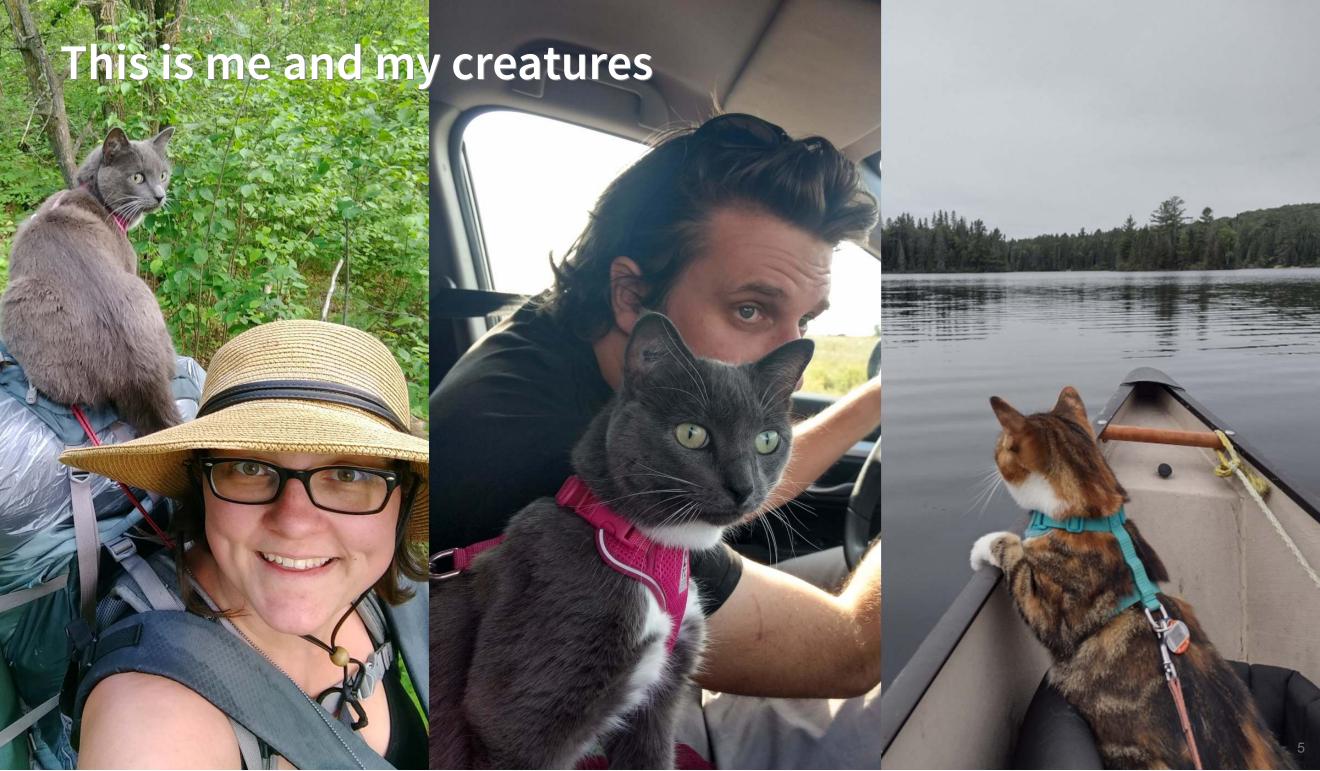
• Generally keep yourself muted but un-mute anytime to ask questions

Ask Questions!

- Group trouble-shooting is really valuable
- If you have a problem, others may also (or may have it in the future)

Screen-sharing

- I may ask you to share your screen with the group (feel free to decline)
- For privacy, close your email etc. Or just share your RStudio window





What about you?

- Name
- Background (Role, Area of study, etc.)
- Familiarity with R or Programming
- Creatures (furry, feathery, scaley, green or otherwise)?

Outline

- 1. A little about R
- 2. Creating figures with ggplot2
- 3. Combining figures with patchwork
- 4. Saving figures

Taken this or a similar workshop before?

During activities consider...

- Extra activities labeled "Too Easy?"
- Using your own data
- Exploring other aspects of ggplot2 that interest you

Feel free to ask questions even if it's not the "official" activity!

What is R?

R is a Programming language

A programming language is a way to give instructions in order to get a computer to do something

- You need to know the language (i.e., the code)
- Computers don't know what you mean, only what you type (unfortunately)
- Spelling, punctuation, and capitalization all matter!

For example

R, what is 56 times 5.8?

```
56 * 5.8
[1] 324.8
```

Use code to tell R what to do

R, what is the average of numbers 1, 2, 3, 4?

```
mean(c(1, 2, 3, 4))
[1] 2.5
```

R, save this value for later

```
steffis_mean <- mean(c(1, 2, 3, 4))
```

R, multiply this value by 6

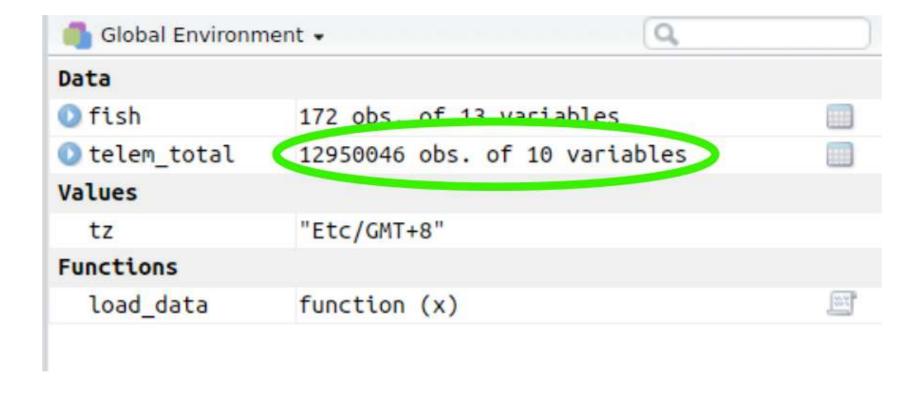
```
steffis_mean * 6
[1] 15
```

Why R?

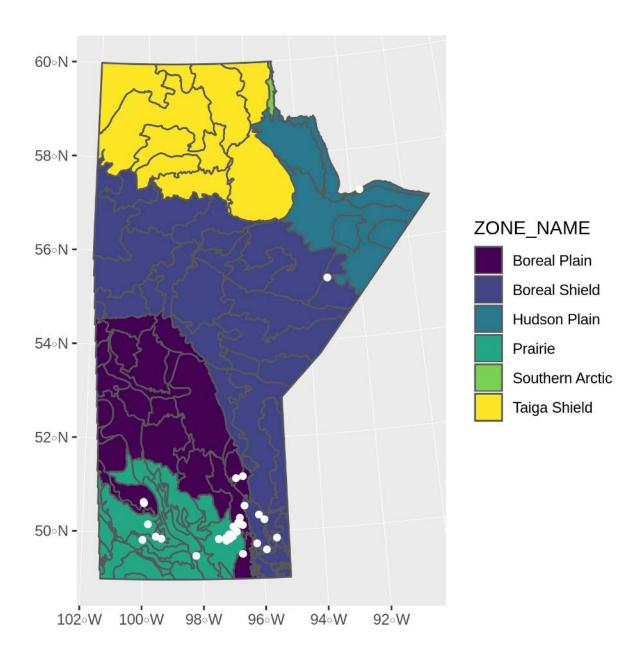
R is hard

```
# Get in circle around city
 circle <- data.frame()</pre>
 cutoff <- 10
 for(i in unique(gps$region)) {
    n <- nrow(qps[qpsSregion == i,]) ##number of IDs
   if(i == "wil") tmp <- geocode("Williams Lake, Canada")</pre>
   if(i == "kam") tmp <- geocode("Kamloops, Canada")</pre>
   if(i == "kel") tmp <- geocode("Kelowna, Canada")</pre>
    temp <- data.frame()
   for(a in 1:n){
     if(a <= cutoff) temp <- rbind(temp, gcDestination(lon = tmp$lon,
                                                          lat = tmp$lat,
                                                          bearing = (a*(360/(cutoff))-360/(cutoff)),
                                                          dist = 20.
                                                          dist.units = "km",
                                                          model = "WGS84"))
      if(a > cutoff) temp <- rbind(temp, gcDestination(lon = tmp$lon,</pre>
                                                         lat = tmp$lat.
                                                         bearing = ((a-cutoff)*(360/(max(table(gpsSregion
))-10))-360/(max(table(gps$region))-cutoff)),
                                                         dist = 35,
                                                         dist.units = "km",
                                                         model = "WGS84"))
    circle <- rbind(circle, cbind(temp,
                                   region = i,
                                   hab = qps$hab[qps$region == i],
                                   spl = gps$spl.orig[gps$region == i],
```

But R is powerful (and reproducible)!



R is also beautiful



R is affordable (i.e., free!)

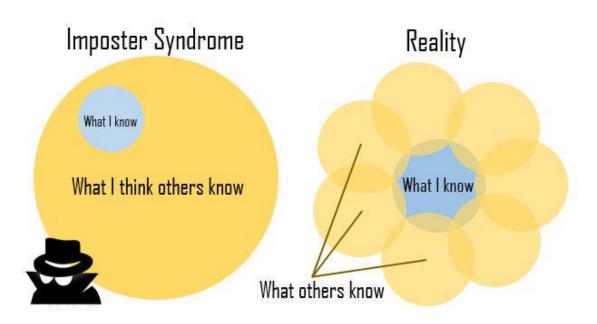
R is available as Free Software under the terms of the Free Software Foundation's GNU General Public License in source code form. It compiles and runs on a wide variety of UNIX platforms and similar systems (including FreeBSD and Linux), Windows and MacOS.

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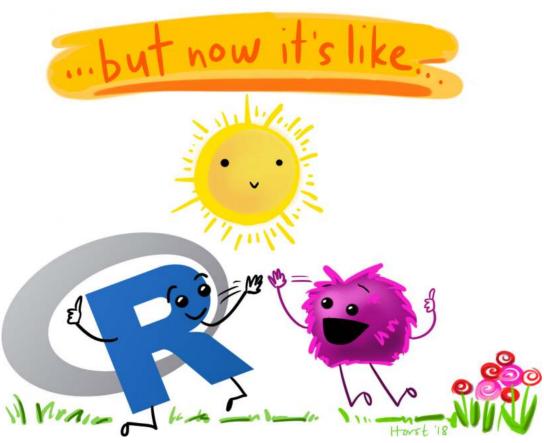


Moral of the story?

Make friends, code in groups, learn together and don't beat yourself up

The Goal





About R

Code, Output, Scripts

Code

• The actual commands

Output

• The result of running code or a script

Script

- A text file full of code that you want to run
- You should always keep your code in a script

For example:

```
mean(c(1, 2, 3, 4))

[1] 2.5

Output

Script
```

```
0 4 analysis.R ×

    Source on Save  
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         15 #' # Setup
         16 ## @knitr setup
          17 library(tidyverse)
          18 library(stringr)
          19 library(gridExtra)
          20 library(grid)
         21 library(boot)
         22
                       theme_cust <- theme_bw() +
                               theme(panel.grid = element_blank())
        25
                       d <- read_csv("../Data/Datasets/pca.csv") %>%
                               mutate(hab_c = ifelse(hab > 0, "Urban", "Rural"))
         29
         30
                       summary(d$hab)
        31
         32 #' # Plotting
         33 d_sum <- d %>%
                              group_by(hab_c) %>%
                              summarize(prop = sum(atypical_c) / length(atypical_c))
        36
       37
                        d_n <- count(d, atypical_c, hab_c)</pre>
         39 #' # Sample sizes
                      ## @knitr sample size
          41 count(d, hab_c)
         42 count(d, atypical_c)
                       count(d, lowhigh, monotone, freq_sweep)
          45 count(d, region)
```

RStudio vs. R



- RStudio is not R
- RStudio is a User Interface or IDE (integrated development environment)
 - (i.e., Makes coding simpler)

functions() - Do things, Return things

mean(), read_csv(), ggplot(), c(), etc.

- Always have ()
- Can take **arguments** (think 'options')
 - \bullet mean(x = c(2, 10, 45)),
 - mean(x = c(NA, 10, 2, 65), na.rm = TRUE)
- Arguments defined by **name** or by **position**
 - With correct position, do not need to specify by name

By name:

mean(x = c(1, 5, 10)) [1] 5.333333

By position:

```
mean(c(1, 5, 10))
[1] 5.333333
```

R documentation

1 ?mean

mean {base}

R Documentation

Arithmetic Mean

Description

Generic function for the (trimmed) arithmetic mean.

Usage

```
mean(x, ...)
## Default S3 method:
mean(x, trim = 0, na.rm = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

- x An R object. Currently there are methods for numeric/logical vectors and <u>date</u>, <u>date-time</u> and <u>time interval</u> objects. Complex vectors are allowed for trim = 0, only.
- trim the fraction (0 to 0.5) of observations to be trimmed from each end of x before the mean is computed. Values of trim outside that range are taken as the nearest endpoint.
- na.rm a logical value indicating whether NA values should be stripped before the computation proceeds.
- ... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Data

Generally kept in vectors or data. frames

- These are objects with names (like functions)
- We can use <- to assign values to objects (assignment)

Vector (1 dimension)

```
my_data <- c("a", 100, "c")
my_data
[1] "a" "100" "c"</pre>
```

Data frame (2 dimensions)

rows x columns

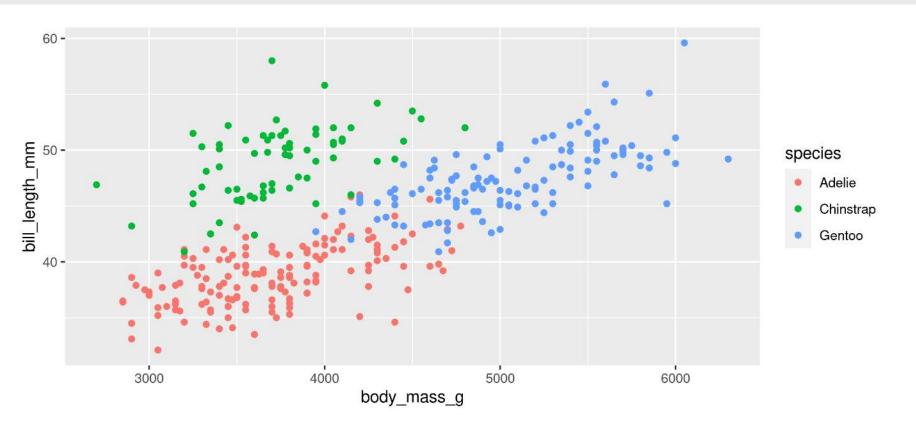
Your first real code!

```
# First load the packages
library(palmerpenguins)
library(ggplot2)

# Now create the figure
ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = species)) +
geom_point()
```

- 1. Copy/paste or type this into the script window in RStudio
 - You may have to go to File > New File > R Script
- 2. Click on the first line of code
- 3. Run the code
 - Click 'Run' button (upper right) or
 - Use the short-cut Ctrl-Enter
- 4. Repeat until all the code has run

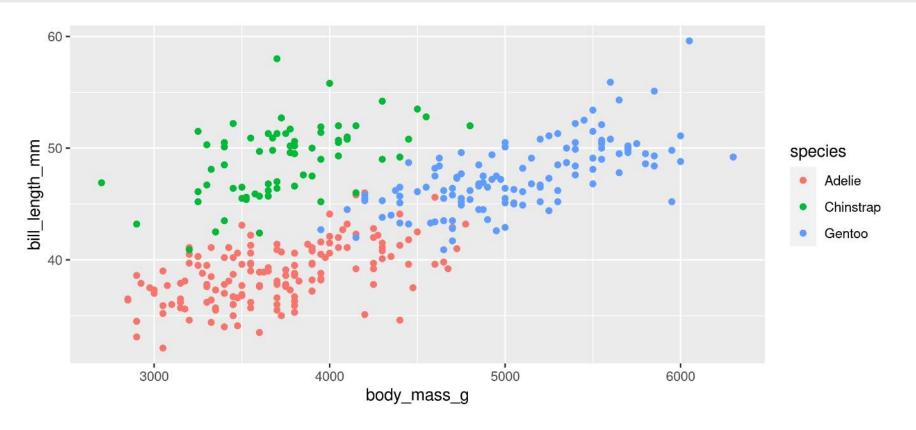
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3 library(ggplot2)
4
5 # Now create the figure
6 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = species)) +
7     geom_point()
Warning: Removed 2 rows containing missing values (`geom_point()`).
```



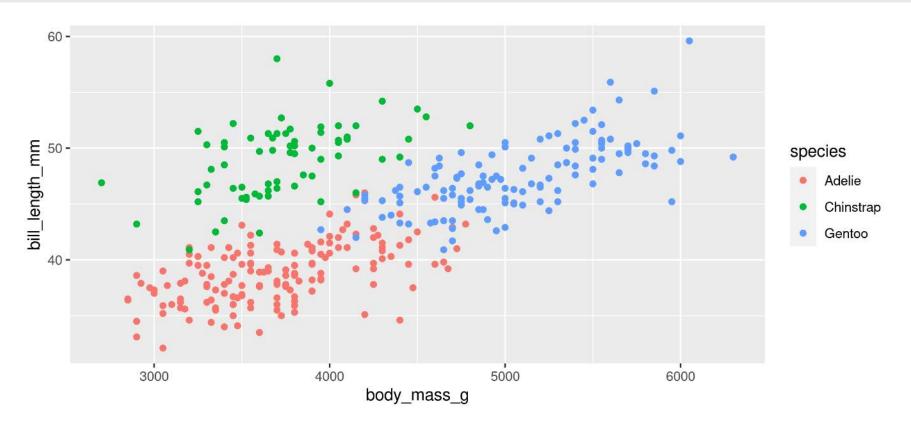
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```
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6 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = species)) +
7 geom_point()
```

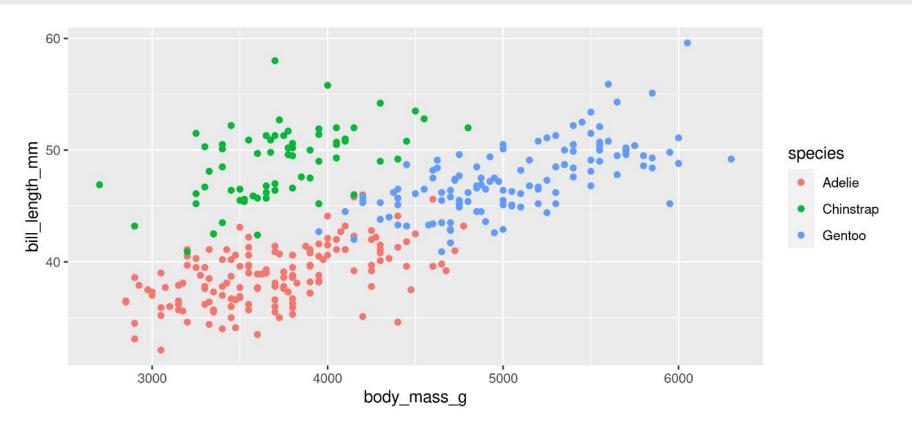
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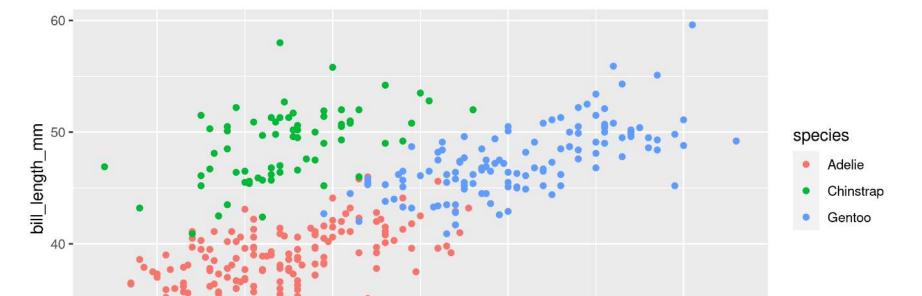
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```



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```



body_mass_g

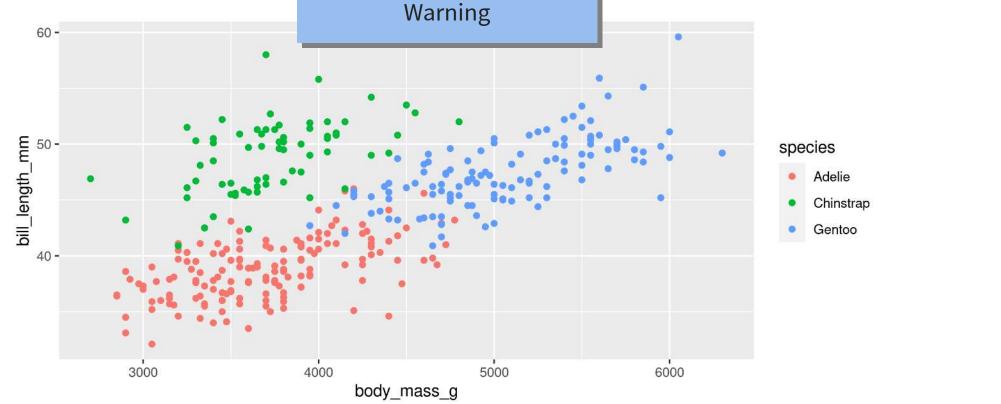
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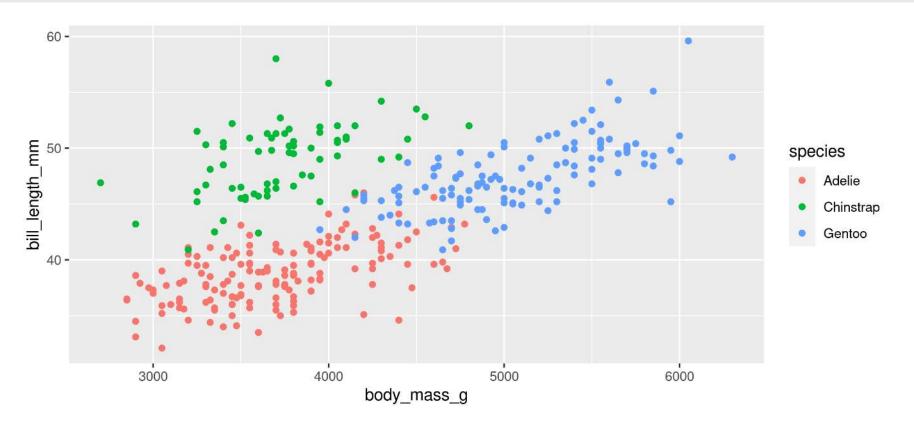
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Figure!



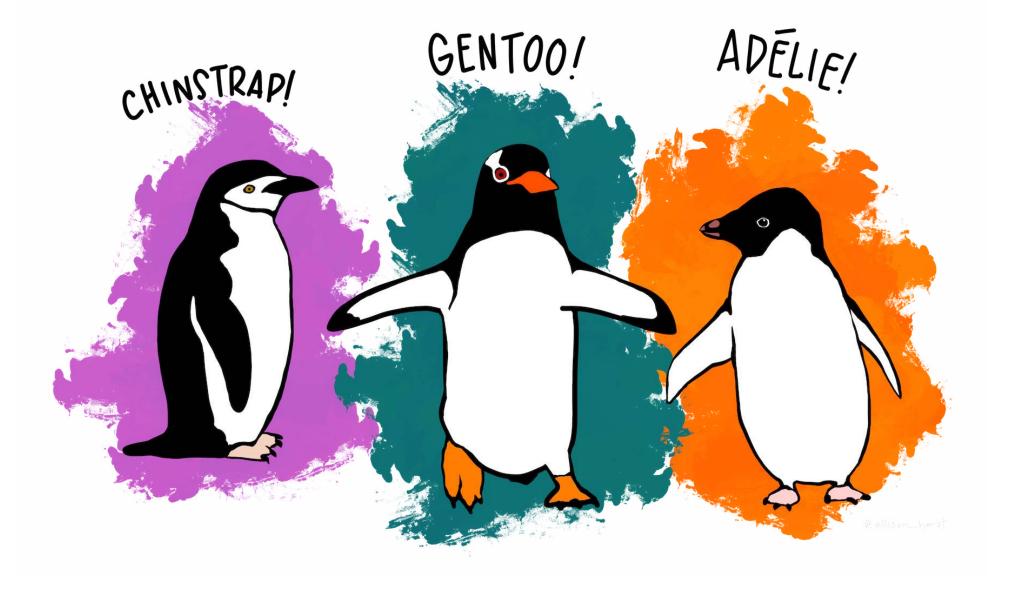


Now you know R!

Let's get started

Our data set: Palmer Penguins!





Our data set: Palmer Penguins!

- 1 library(palmerpenguins)
- 2 penguins

# A tibble: 344 × 8										
		species	island	bill_length_mm	bill_depth_mm	flipper_length_mm	body_mass_g	sex	year	
		<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>	<int></int>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>	
	1	Adelie	Torgersen	39.1	18.7	181	3750	male	2007	
	2	Adelie	Torgersen	39.5	17.4	186	3800	female	2007	
	3	Adelie	Torgersen	40.3	18	195	3250	female	2007	
	4	Adelie	Torgersen	NA	NA	NA	NA	<na></na>	2007	
	5	Adelie	Torgersen	36.7	19.3	193	3450	female	2007	
	6	Adelie	Torgersen	39.3	20.6	190	3650	male	2007	
	7	Adelie	Torgersen	38.9	17.8	181	3625	female	2007	
	8	Adelie	Torgersen	39.2	19.6	195	4675	male	2007	
	9	Adelie	Torgersen	34.1	18.1	193	3475	<na></na>	2007	
	10	Adelie	Torgersen	42	20.2	190	4250	<na></na>	2007	
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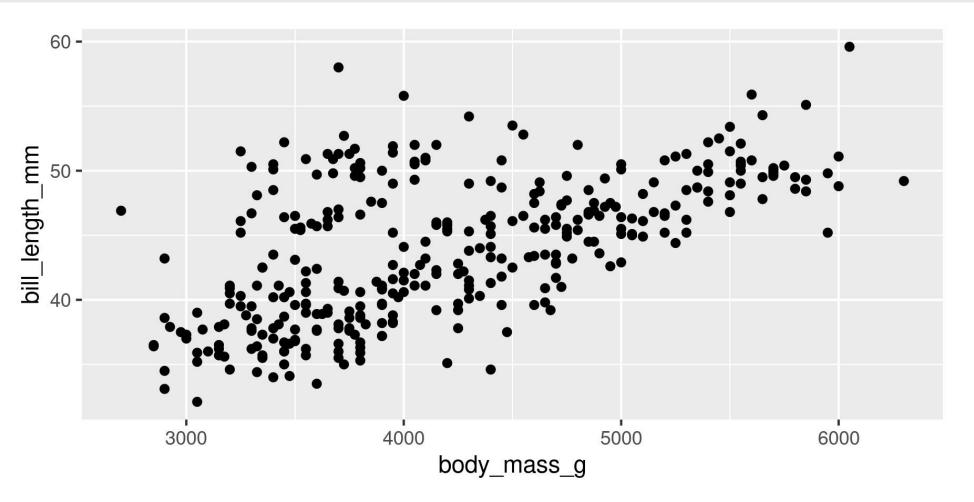




Your turn!

Run this code and look at the output in the console

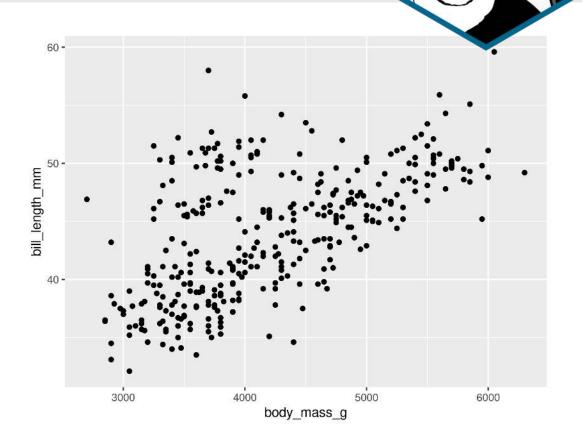
A basic plot



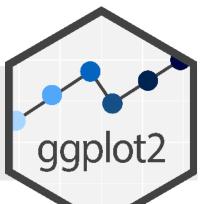
```
1 library(palmerpenguins)
2 library(ggplot2)
3
4 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm)) +
5 geom_point()
```

library(palmerpenguins)

- Load the palmerguins package
- Now we have access to penguins data

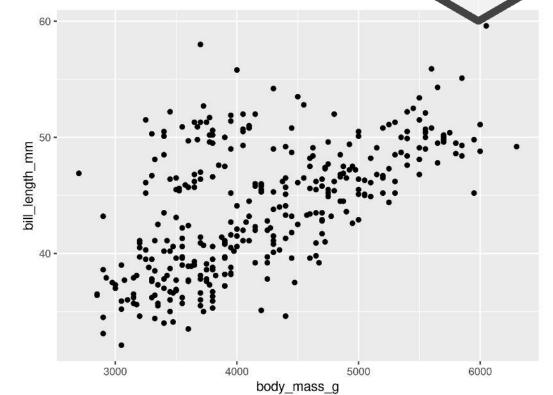


```
1 library(palmerpenguins)
2 library(ggplot2)
3
4 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm)) +
5 geom_point()
```



library(ggplot2)

- Load the ggplot2 package
- Now we have access to the ggplot() function
 - (and aes() and geom_point() etc.)

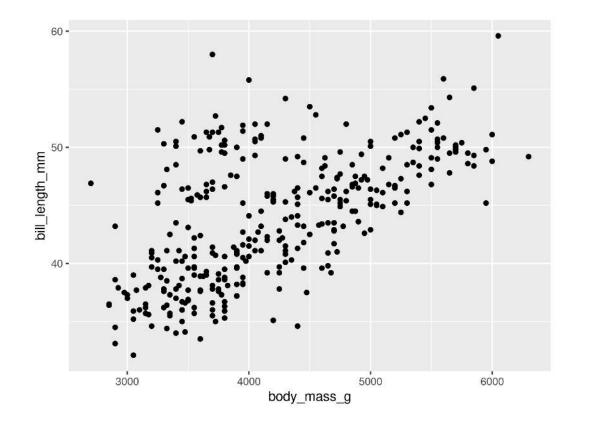


```
library(palmerpenguins)
library(ggplot2)

ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm)) +
geom_point()
```

ggplot()

- Set the attributes of your plot
- data = Dataset
- **aes** = Aesthetics (how the data are used)
- Think of this as your plot defaults

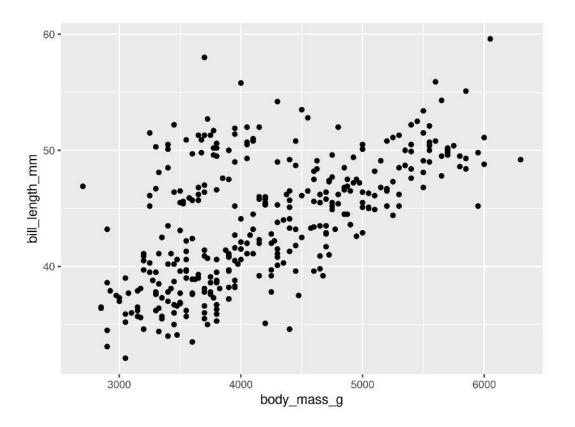


```
library(palmerpenguins)
library(ggplot2)

ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm)) +
geom_point()
```

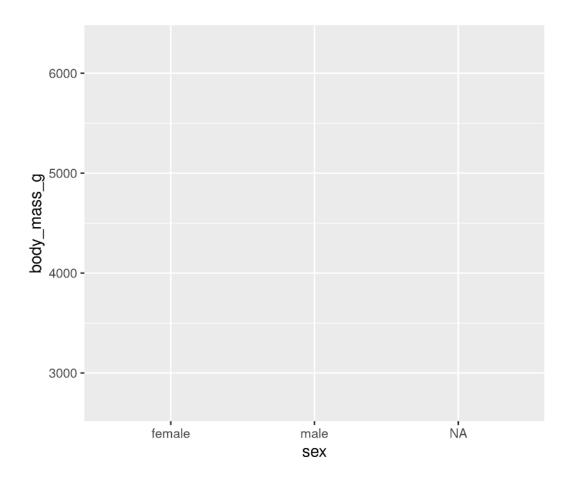
geom_point()

- Choose a geom function to display the data
- Always added to a ggplot() call with +

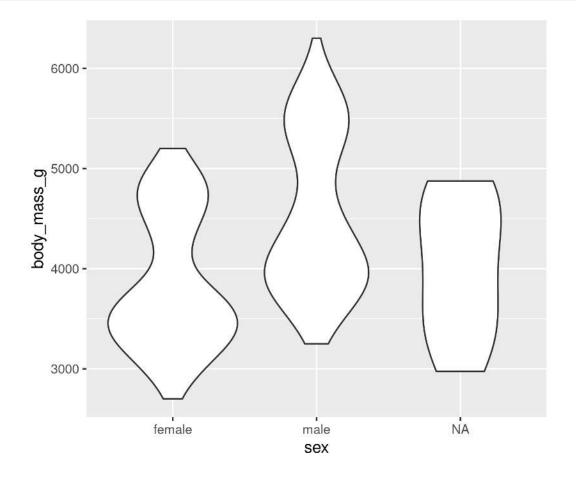


Plots are layered

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = sex, y = body_mass_g))
```



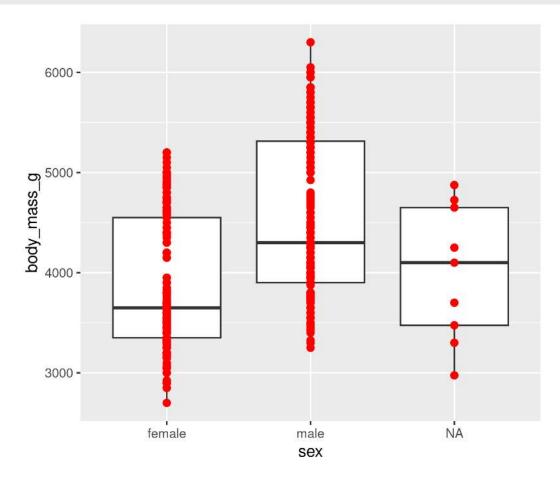
```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = sex, y = body_mass_g)) +
2 geom_violin()
```



Plots are layered

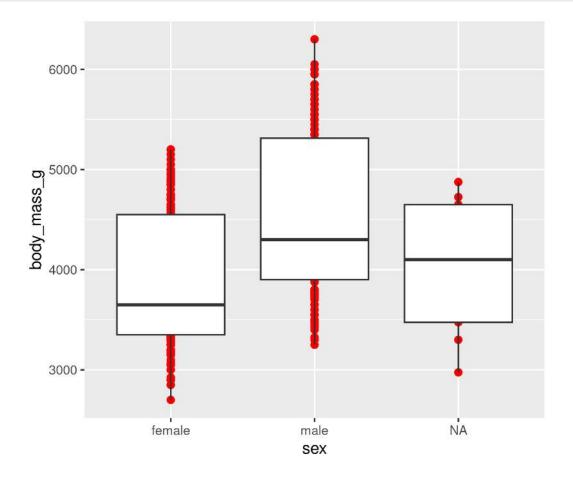
You can add multiple layers

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = sex, y = body_mass_g)) +
2    geom_boxplot() +
3    geom_point(size = 2, colour = "red")
```



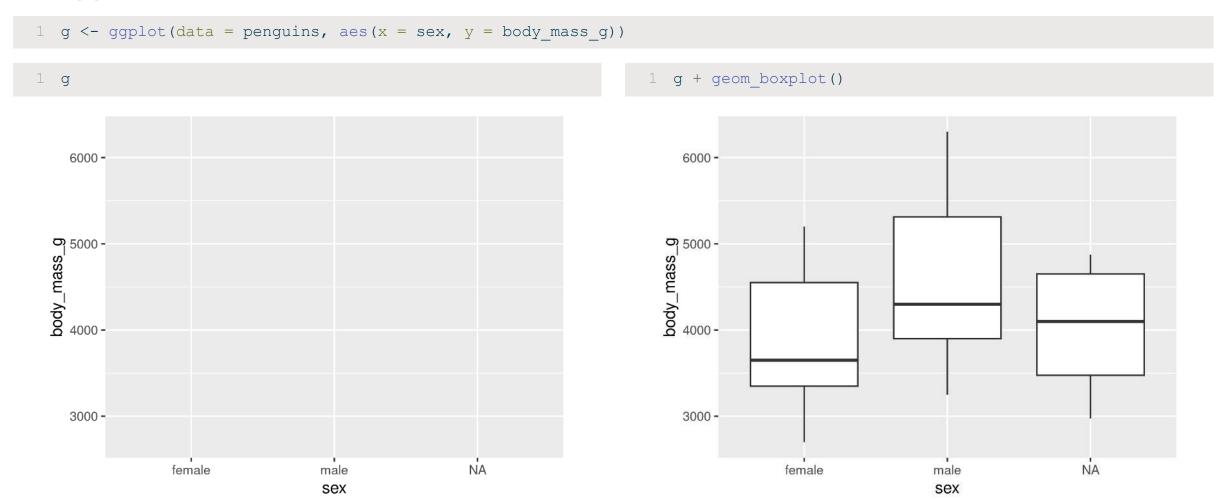
Order matters

```
ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = sex, y = body_mass_g)) +
geom_point(size = 2, colour = "red") +
geom_boxplot()
```



Plots are objects

Any ggplot can be saved as an object

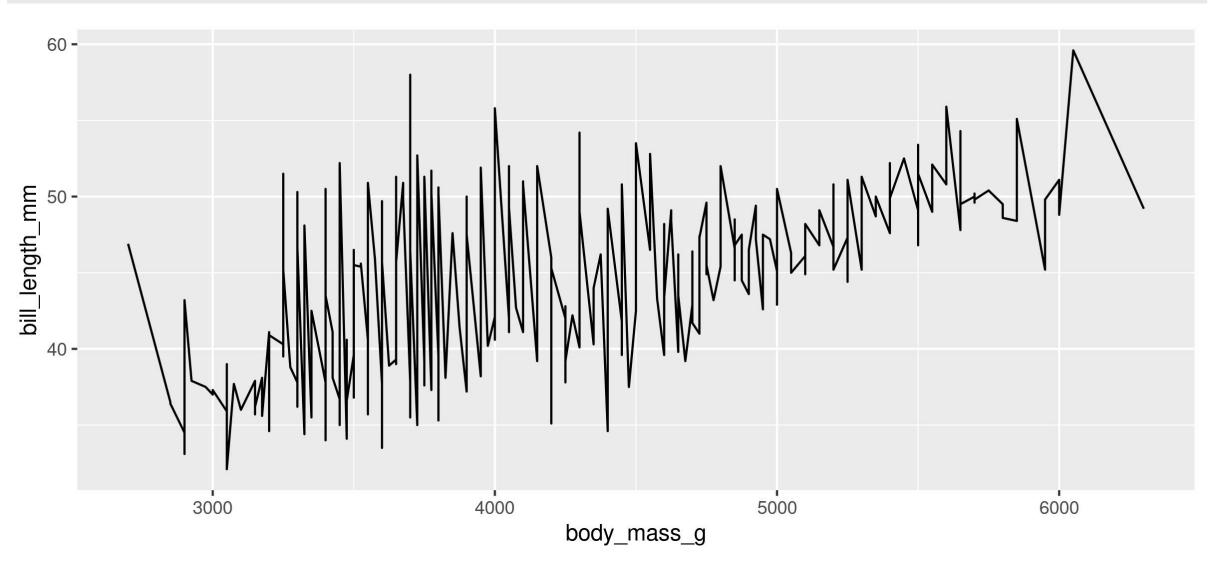


More Geoms

(Plot types)

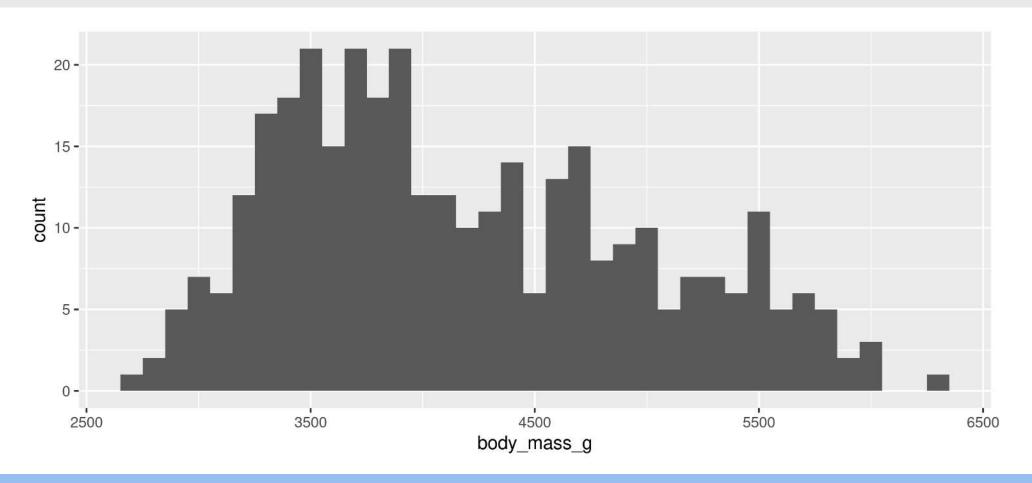
Geoms: Lines

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm)) +
2 geom_line()
```



Geoms: Histogram

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g)) +
2 geom_histogram(binwidth = 100)
```

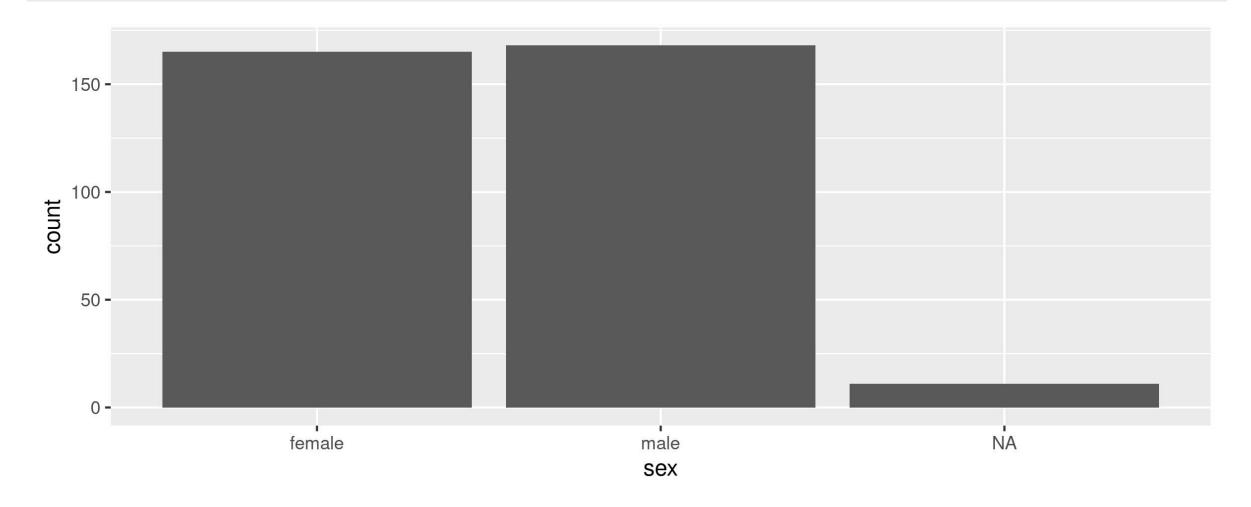


Note: We only need 1 aesthetic here

Geoms: Barplots

Let ggplot count your data

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = sex)) +
2 geom_bar()
```



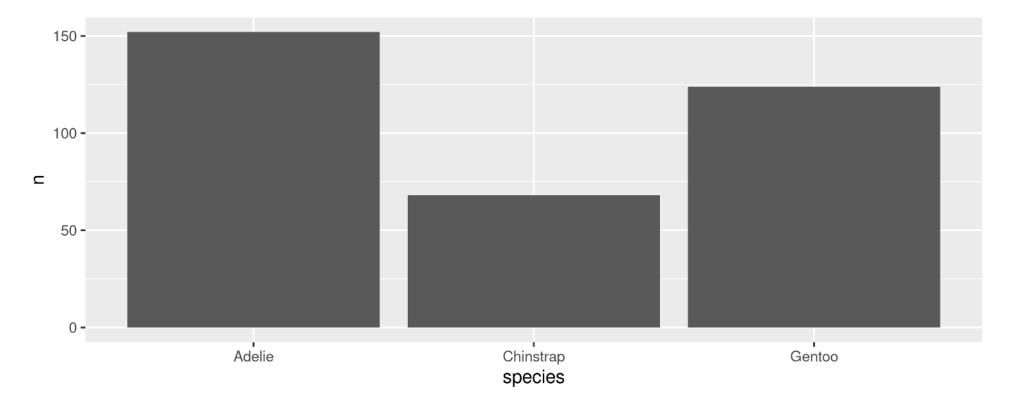
Geoms: Barplots

You can also provide the counts

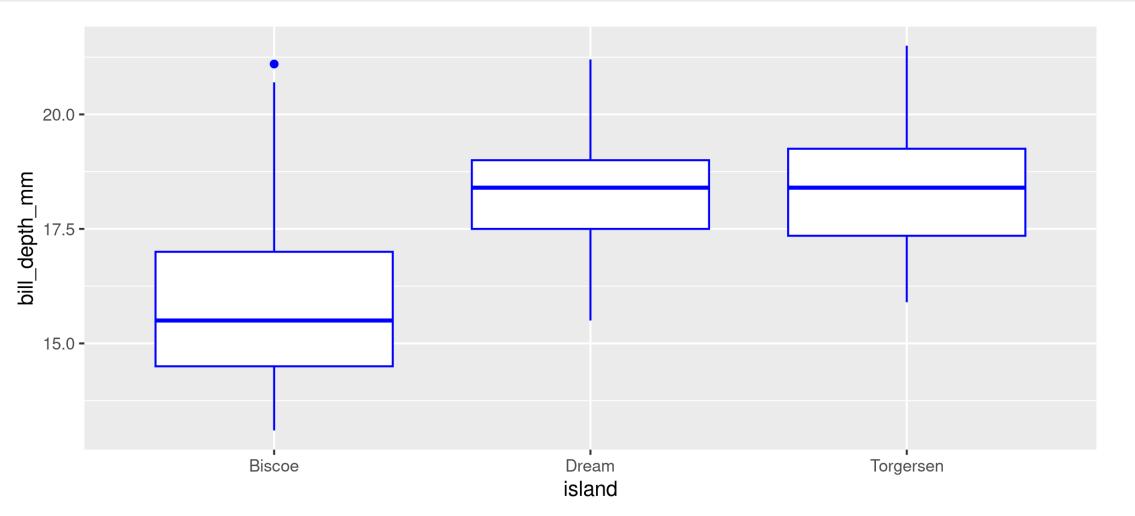
```
# Create our own data frame
species_counts <- data.frame(species = c("Adelie", "Chinstrap", "Gentoo"),

n = c(152, 68, 124))

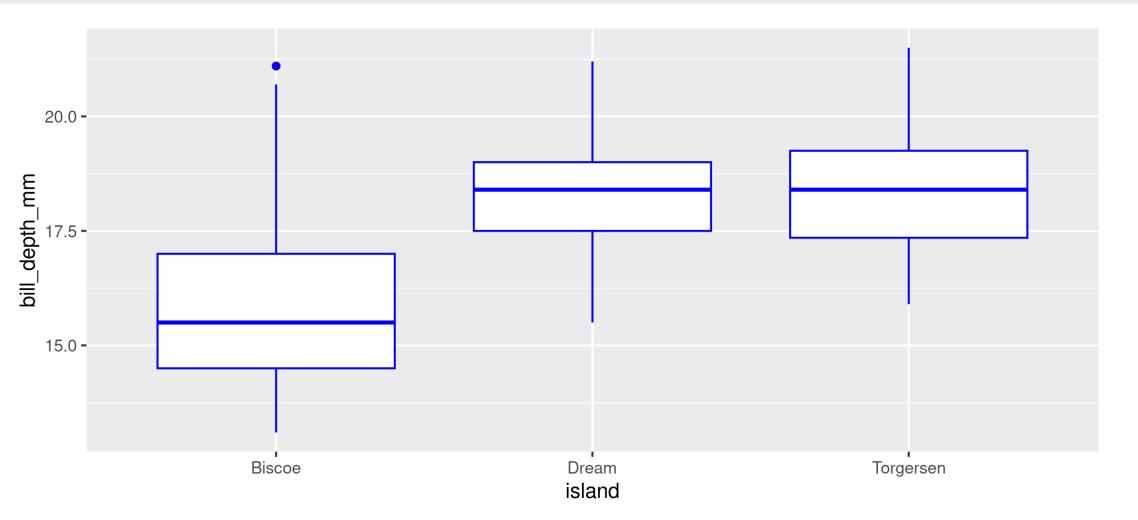
ggplot(data = species_counts, aes(x = species, y = n)) +
geom_bar(stat = "identity")</pre>
```



```
1 library(ggplot2)
2
3 ggplot(data = ___, aes(x = ___, y = ___)) +
4  geom___(__)
```



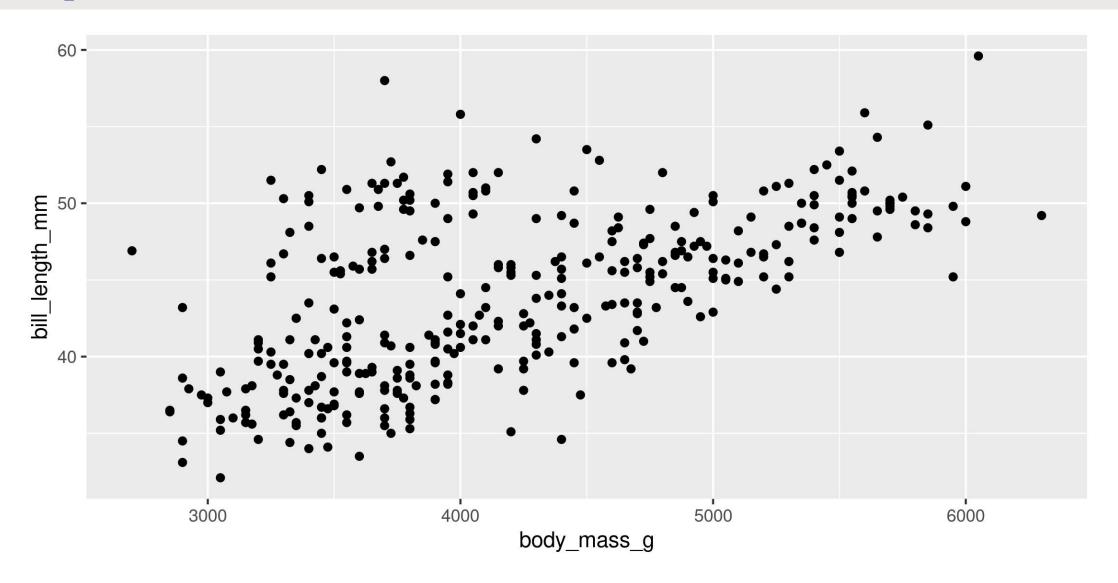
```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = island, y = bill_depth_mm)) +
geom_boxplot(colour = "blue")
```



Showing data by group

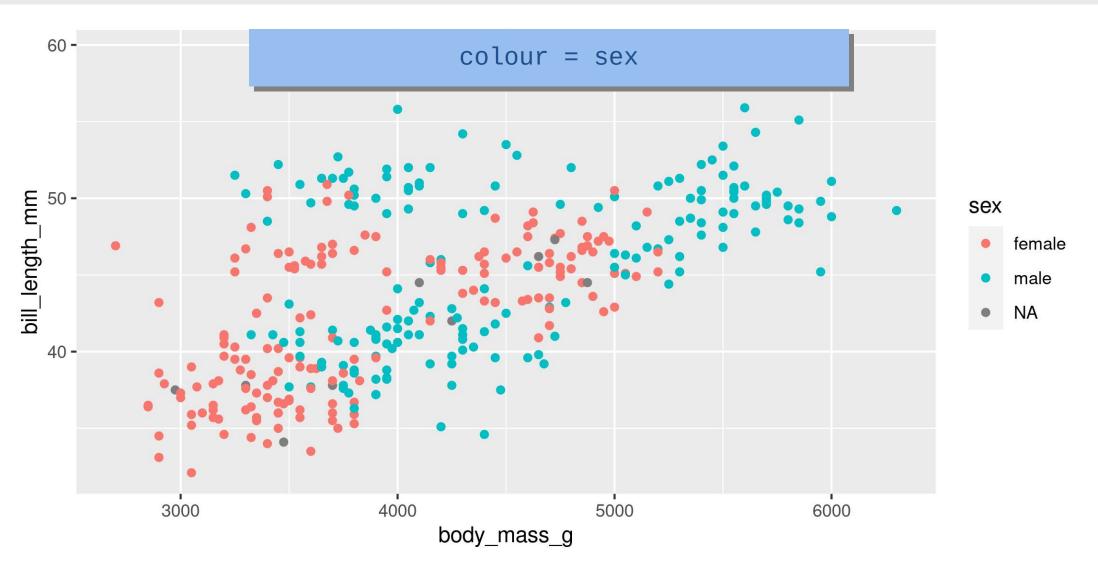
Mapping aesthetics

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm)) +
2 geom_point()
```



Mapping aesthetics

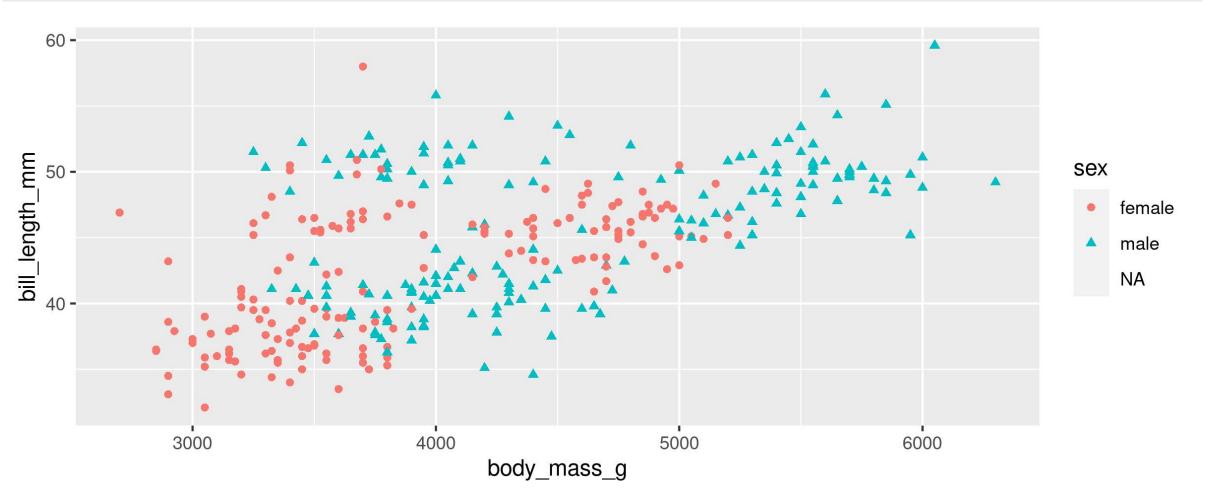
```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = sex)) +
2 geom_point()
```



Mapping aesthetics

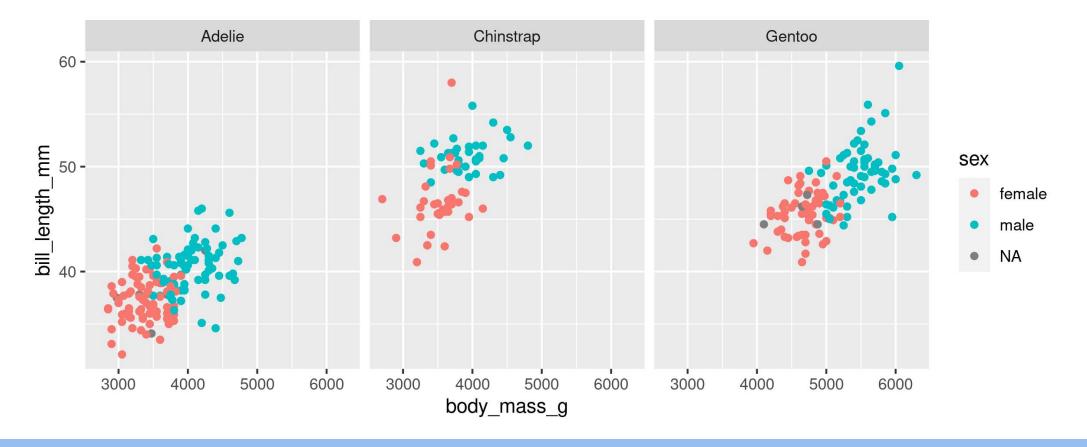
ggplot automatically populates the legends (combining where it can)

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = sex, shape = sex)) +
2 geom_point()
```



Faceting: facet_wrap()

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = sex)) +
2 geom_point() +
3 facet_wrap(~ species)
```



Split plots by **one** grouping variable

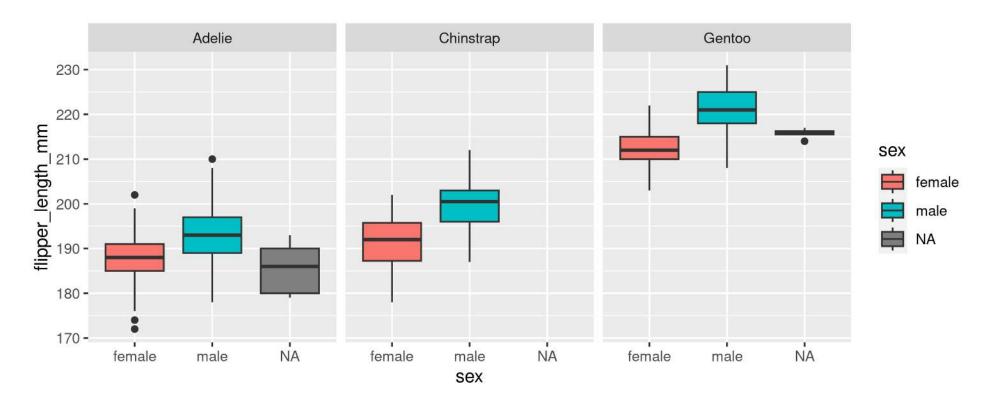
Faceting: facet_grid()

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = sex)) +
2   geom_point() +
3   facet_grid(sex ~ species)
```



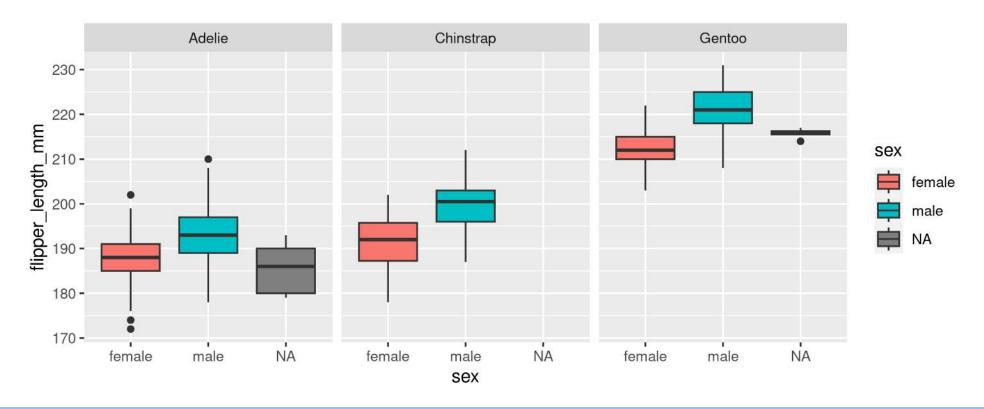
Split plots by **two** grouping variables

```
1 ggplot(data = ___, aes(_____)) +
2    _____ +
3    _____
```



Hint: colour is for outlining with a colour, fill is for 'filling' with a colour Too Easy? Split boxplots by sex and island

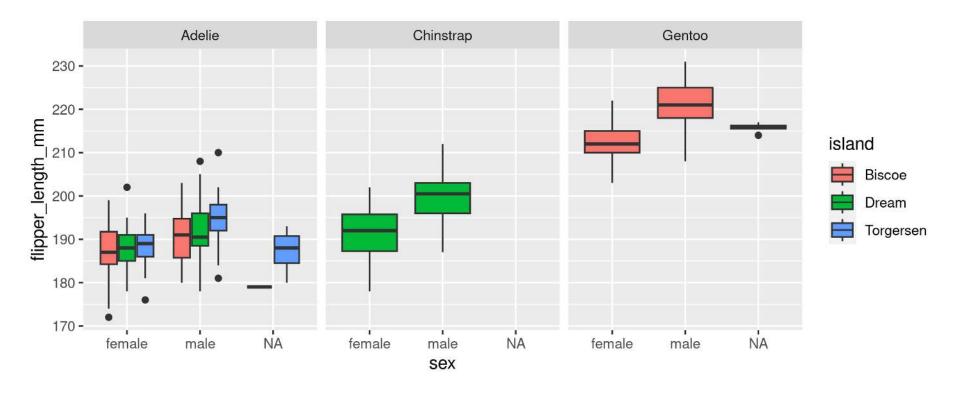
```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = sex, y = flipper_length_mm, fill = sex)) +
2   geom_boxplot() +
3   facet_wrap(~ species)
```



Hint: colour is for outlining with a colour, fill is for 'filling' with a colour Too Easy? Split boxplots by sex and island

Too Easy?

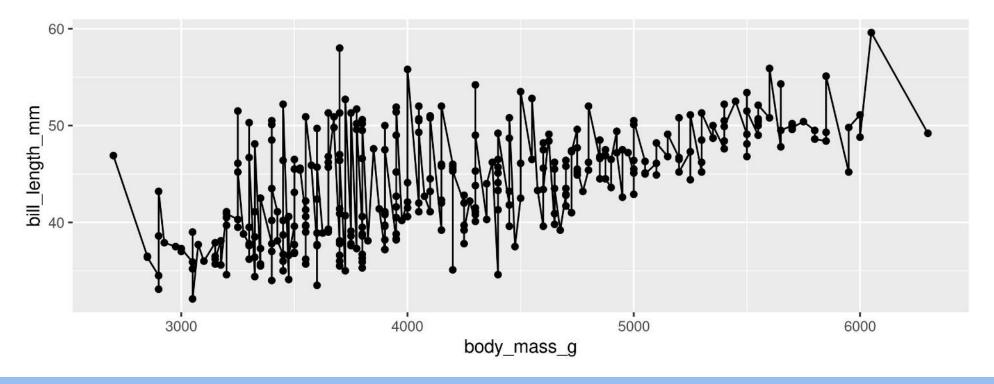
```
ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = sex, y = flipper_length_mm, fill = island)) +
geom_boxplot() +
facet_wrap(~ species)
```



Small change (fill = sex to fill = island) results in completely different plot

geom_line() is connect-the-dots, not a trend or linear model

```
1 ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm)) +
2   geom_point() +
3   geom_line()
```

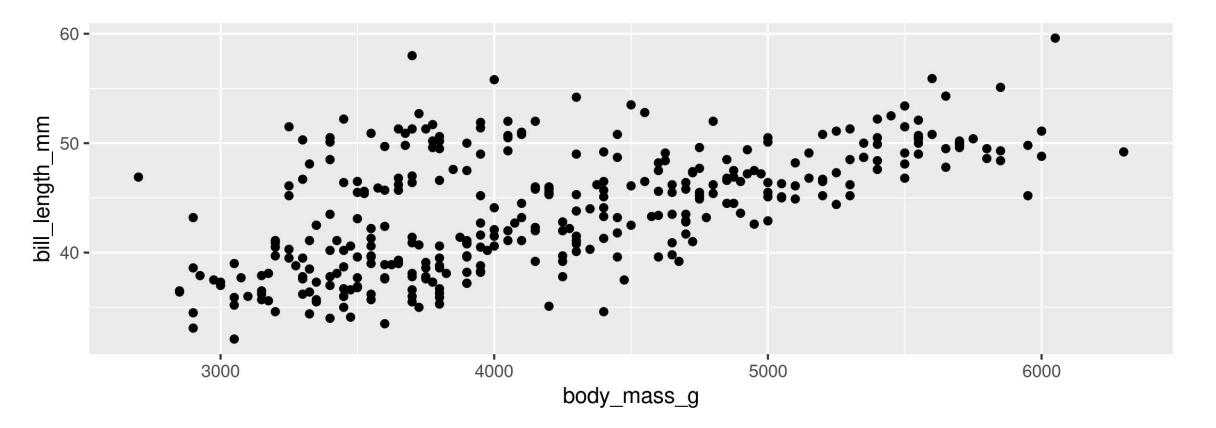


Not what we're looking for

Let's add a trend line properly

Start with basic plot:

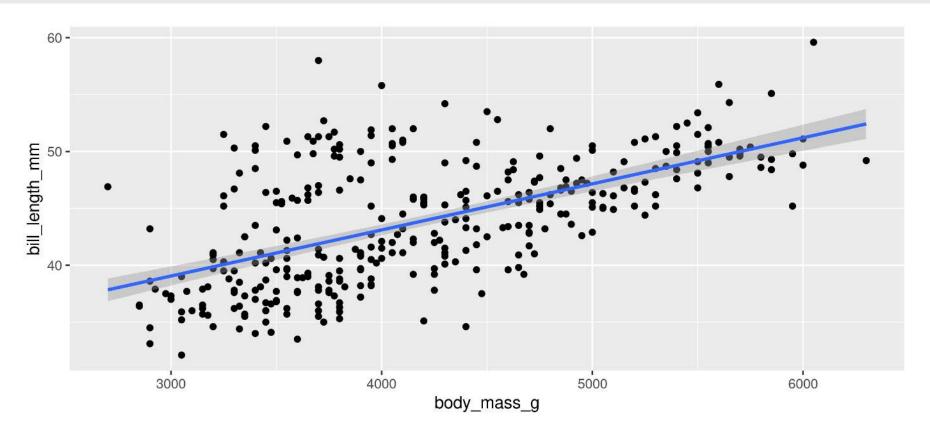
```
1 g <- ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm)) +
2    geom_point()
3 g</pre>
```



Add the stat_smooth()

- **lm** is for "linear model" (i.e. trendline)
- grey ribbon = standard error

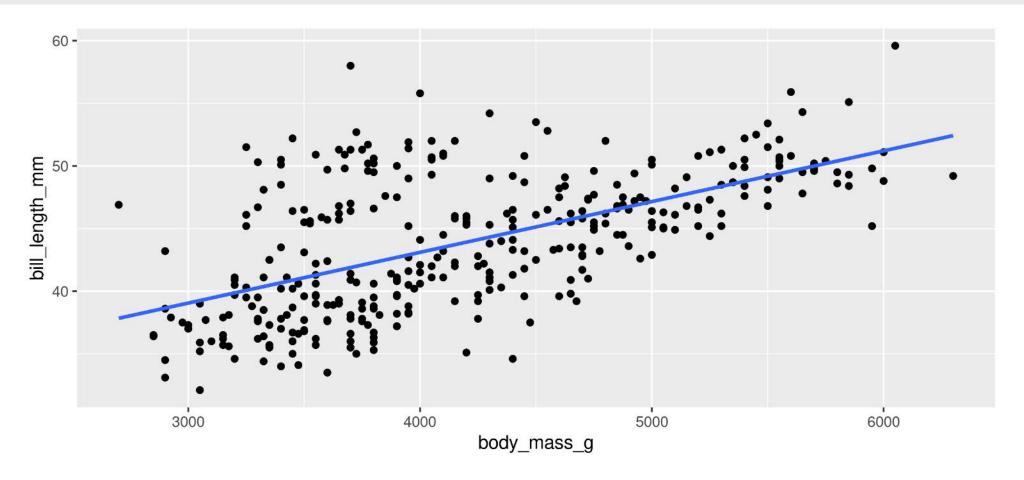
```
1 g + stat_smooth(method = "lm")
```



Add the stat_smooth()

• remove the grey ribbon se = FALSE

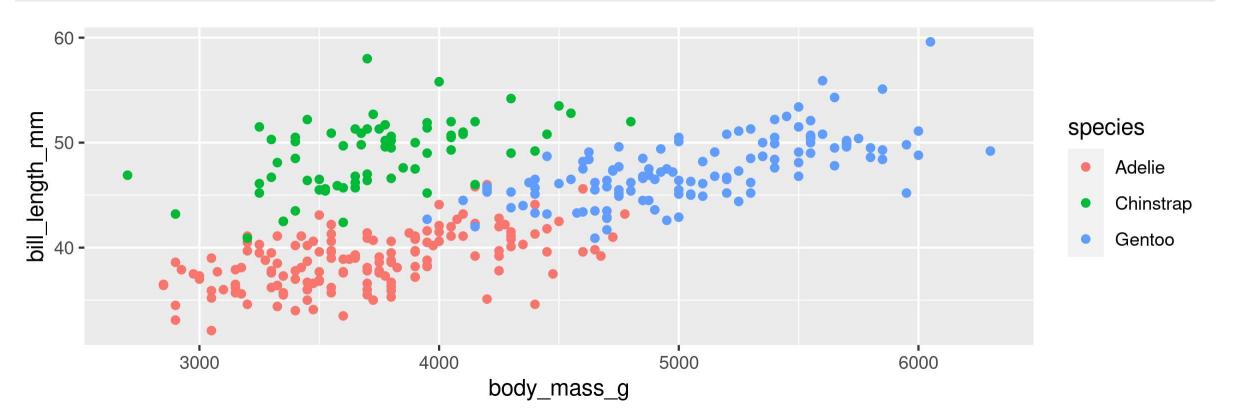
```
1 g + stat_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE)
```



A line for each group

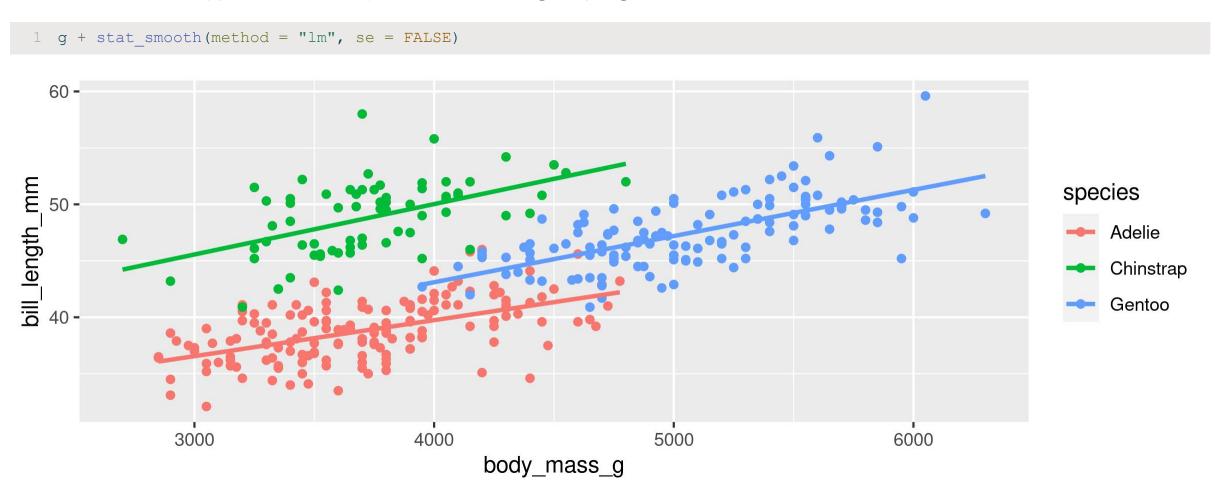
• Specify group (here we use colour to specify species)

```
1 g <- ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = species)) +
2    geom_point()
3 g</pre>
```



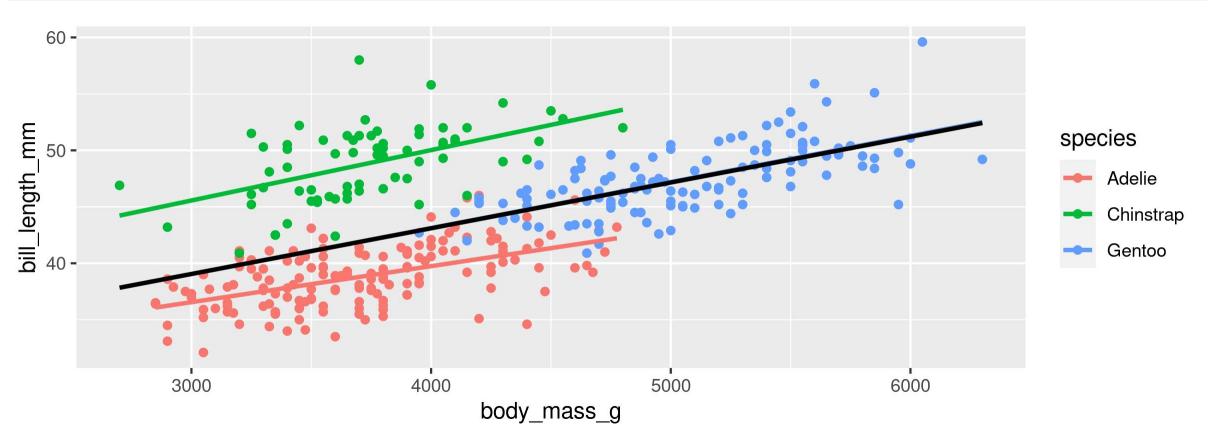
A line for each group

• stat_smooth() automatically uses the same grouping



A line for each group AND overall

```
1 g +
2  stat_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) +
3  stat_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE, colour = "black")
```

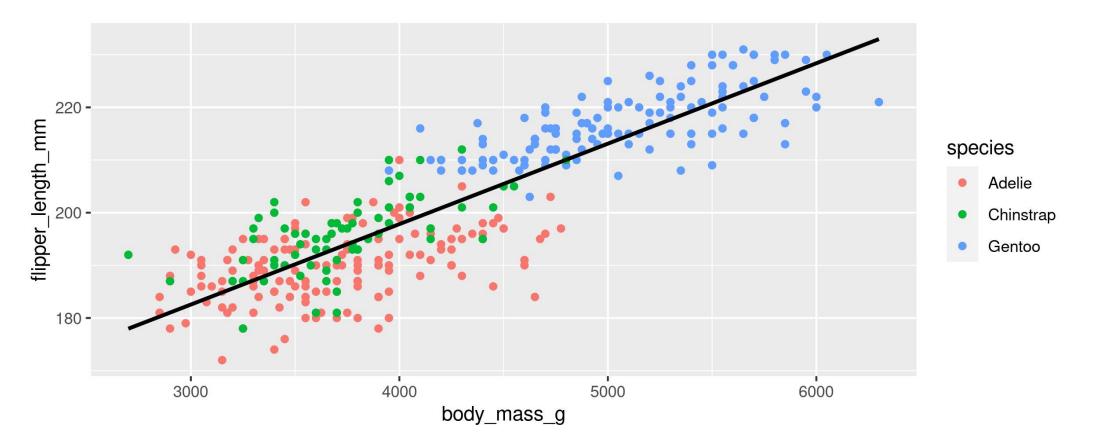


- A scatter plot: Flipper Length by Body Mass grouped by Species
- With a single regression line for the overall trend

Too Easy? Create a separate plot for each sex as well

- A scatter plot: Flipper Length by Body Mass grouped by Species
- With a single regression line for the overall trend

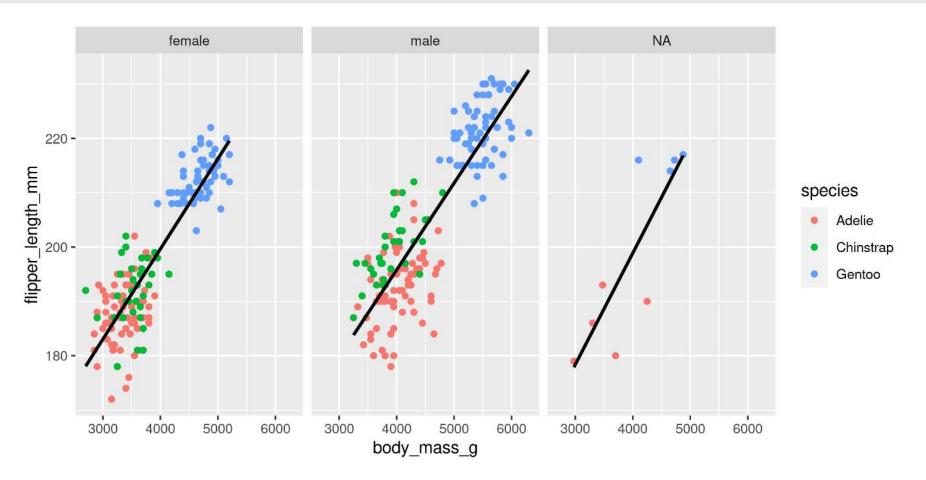
```
ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = flipper_length_mm, colour = species)) +
geom_point() +
stat_smooth(se = FALSE, colour = "black", method = "lm")
```



Your Turn: Create this plot

Too Easy?

```
ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = flipper_length_mm, colour = species)) +
geom_point() +
stat_smooth(se = FALSE, colour = "black", method = "lm") +
facet_wrap(~sex)
```

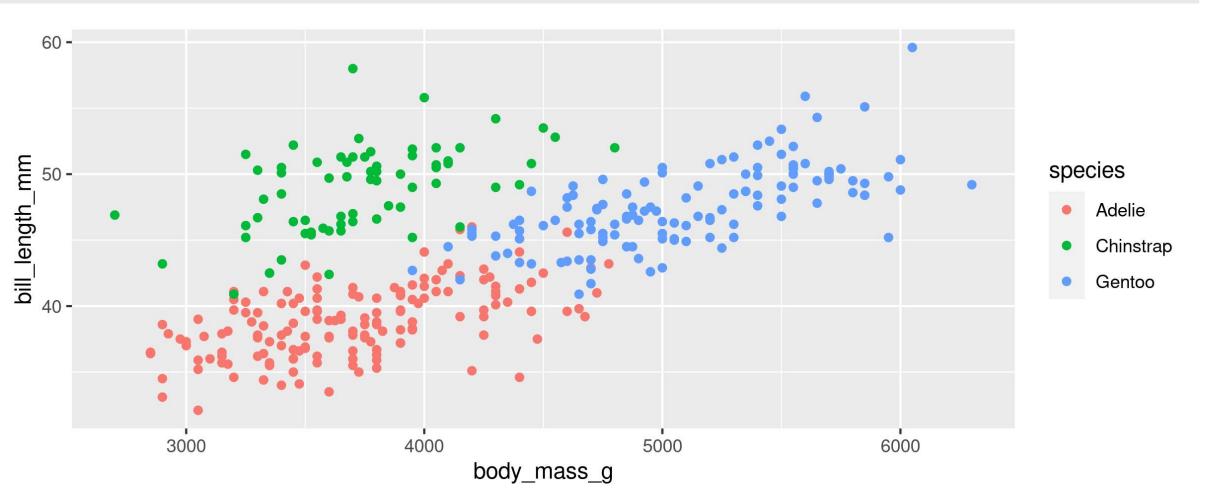


Customizing plots

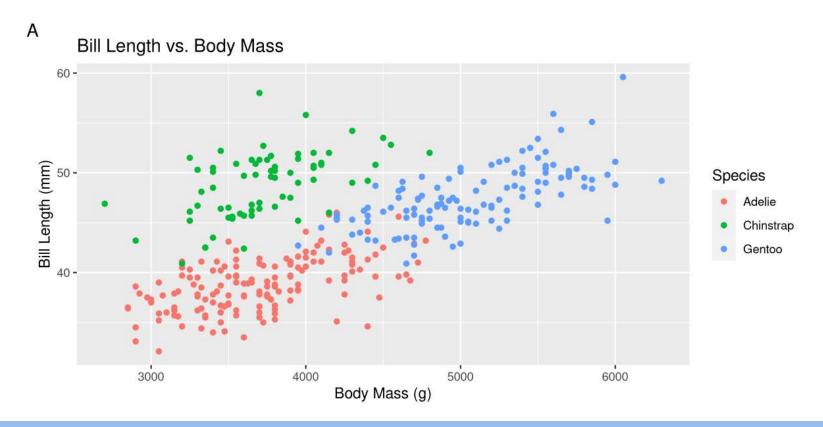
Customizing: Starting plot

Let's work with this plot

```
1 g <- ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = species)) +
2 geom_point()</pre>
```

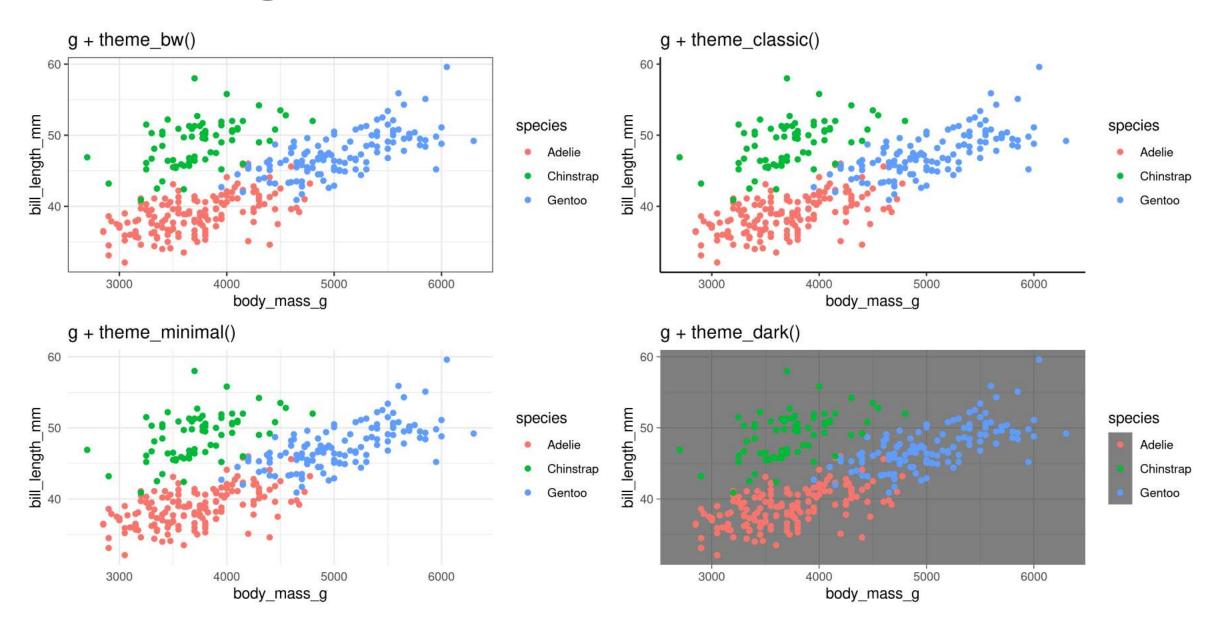


Customizing: Labels



Practice for later: Add proper labels to some of your previous plots

Customizing: Built-in themes



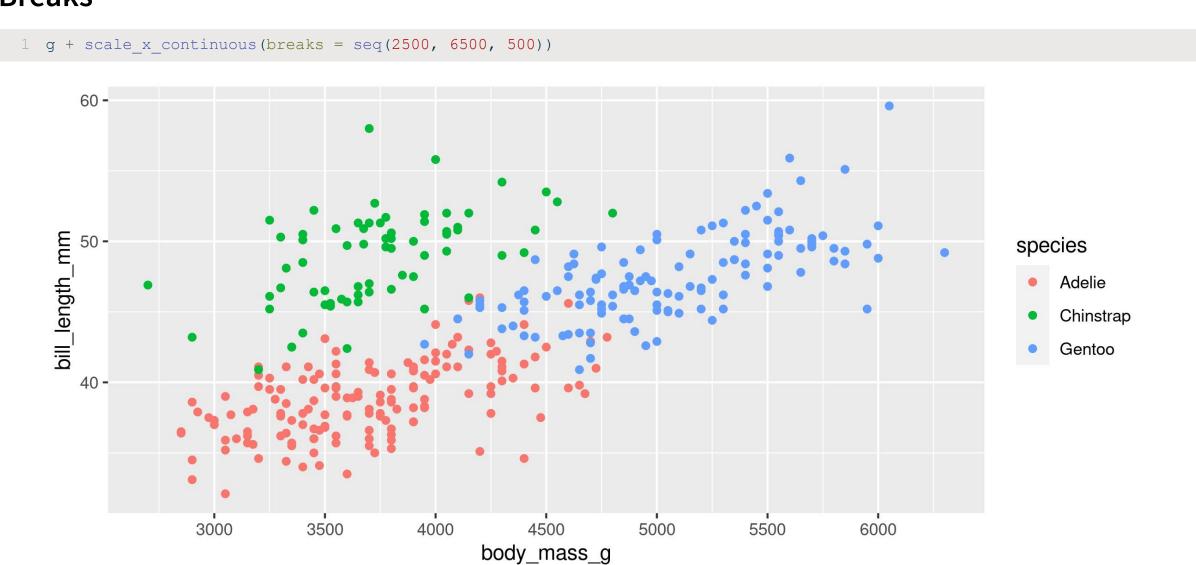
scale_ + (x or y) + type (continuous, discrete, date, datetime)

- scale_x_continuous()
- scale_y_discrete()
- etc.

Common arguments

```
1 g + scale_x_continuous(breaks = seq(0, 20, 10)) # Tick breaks
2 g + scale_x_continuous(limits = c(0, 15)) # xlim() is a shortcut for this
3 g + scale_x_continuous(expand = c(0, 0)) # Space between axis and data
```

Breaks



Limits

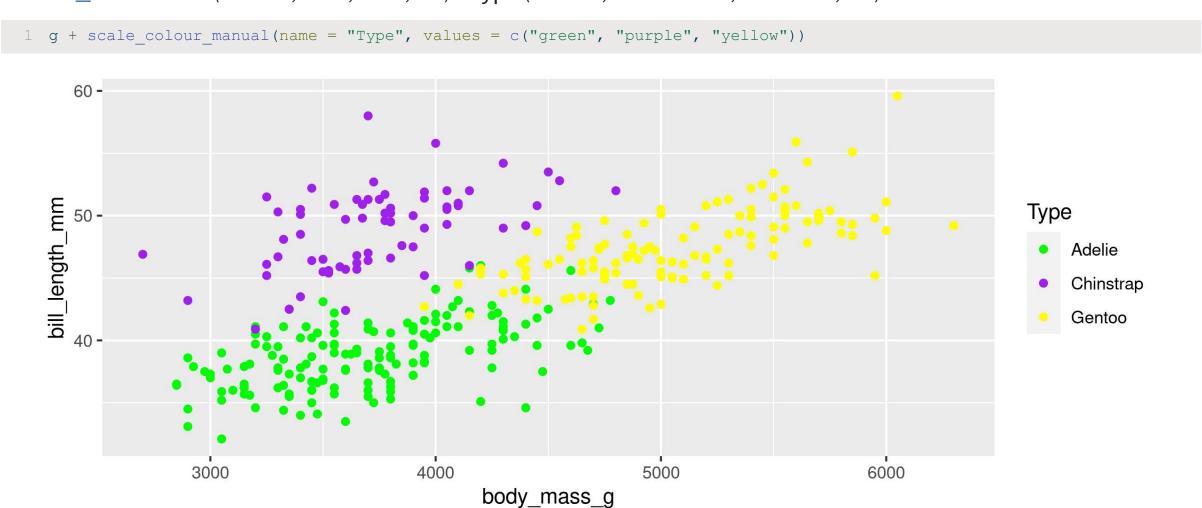
1 g + scale x continuous(limits = c(3000, 4000)) 60 bill_length_mm species Adelie Chinstrap Gentoo 40 -3250 3500 3750 3000 4000 body_mass_g

Space between origin and axis start

1 g + scale x continuous (expand = c(0, 0)) 60 bill_length_mm species Adelie Chinstrap Gentoo 40 -4000 3000 5000 6000 body_mass_g

Using scales

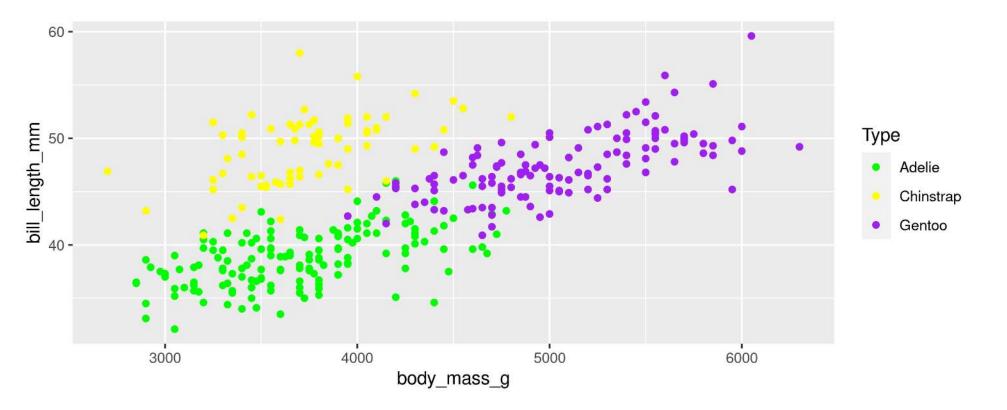
scale_ + aesthetic (colour, fill, size, etc.) + type (manual, continuous, datetime, etc.)



Using scales

Or be very explicit:

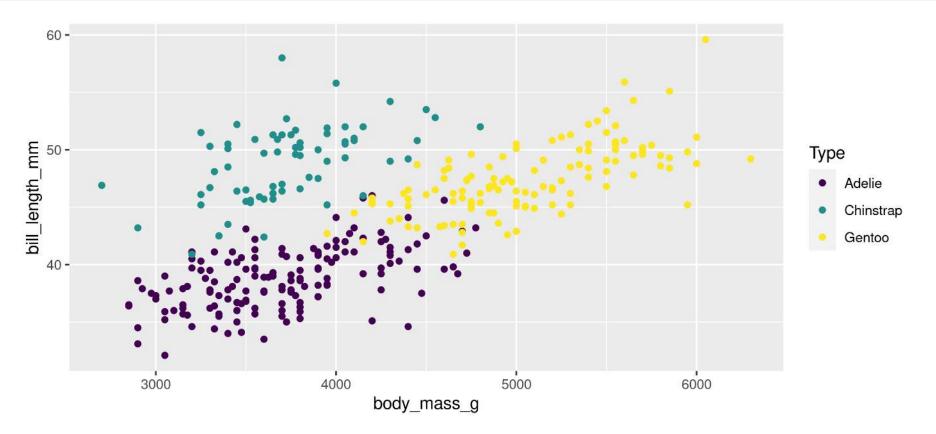
```
1 g + scale_colour_manual(
2    name = "Type",
3    values = c("Adelie" = "green", "Gentoo" = "purple", "Chinstrap" = "yellow"),
4    na.value = "black")
```



For colours, consider colour-blind-friendly scale

viridis_d for "discrete" data

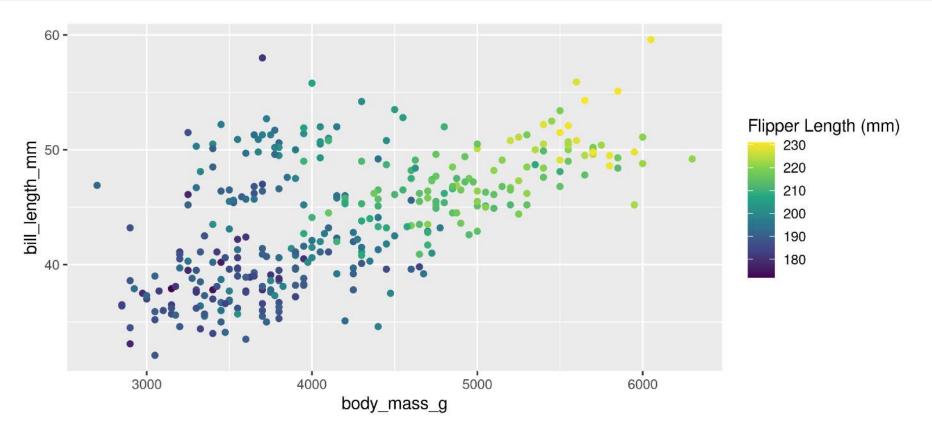
```
ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = species)) +
geom_point() +
scale_colour_viridis_d(name = "Type")
```



For colours, consider colour-blind-friendly scale

viridis_c for "continuous" data

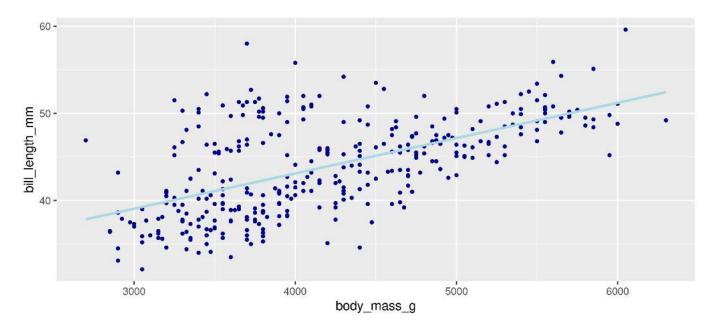
```
ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = flipper_length_mm)) +
geom_point() +
scale_colour_viridis_c(name = "Flipper Length (mm)")
```



Forcing

Remove the association between a variable and an aesthetic

```
ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g, y = bill_length_mm, colour = sex)) +
geom_point(colour = "darkblue", size = 1) +
stat_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE, colour = "lightblue")
```

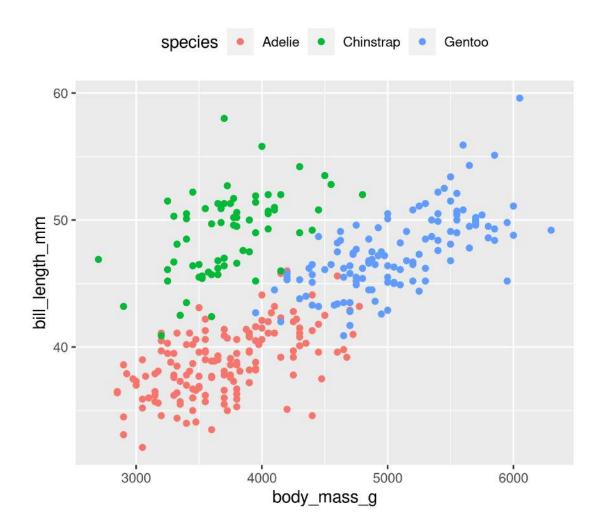


Note: When forcing, aesthetic is not inside aes()

Customizing: Legends placement

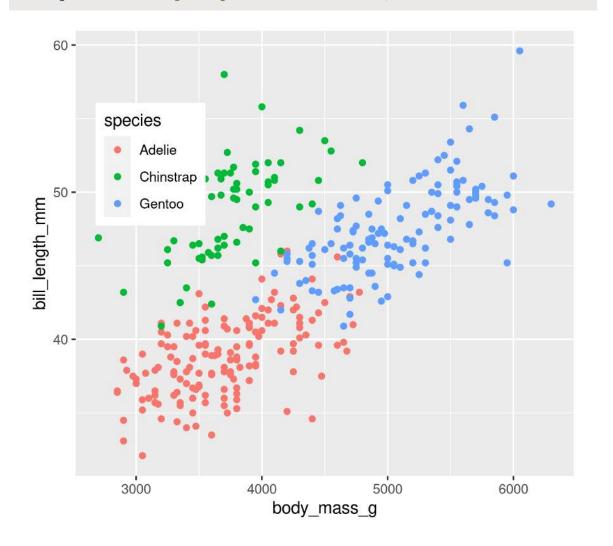
At the: top, bottom, left, right

1 g + theme(legend.position = "top")



Exactly here

1 g + theme(legend.position = c(0.15, 0.7))



Combining plots

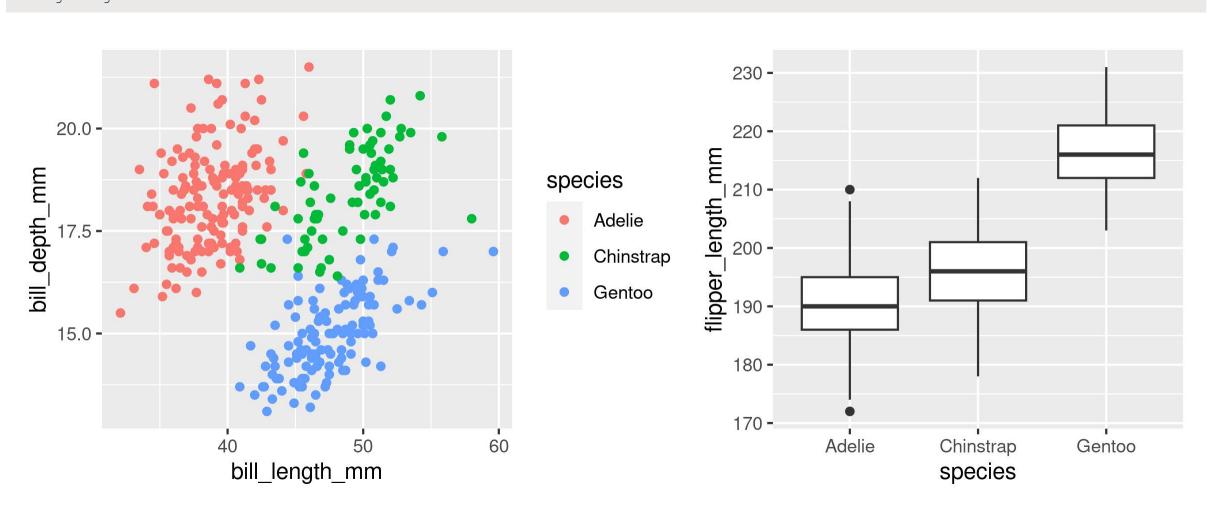
Setup

- Load patchwork
- Create a couple of different plots

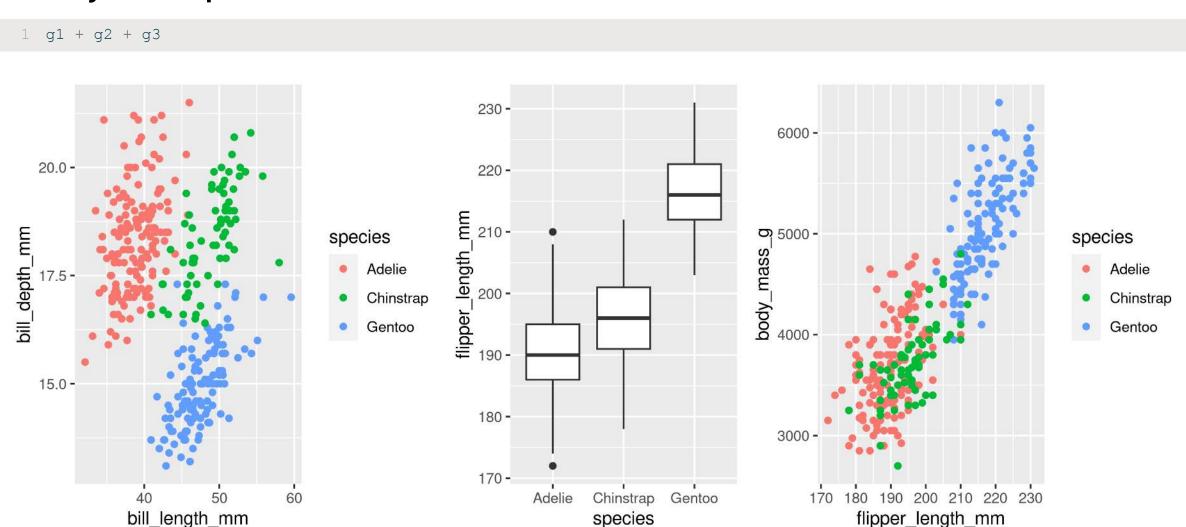
```
1 library(patchwork)
2
3 g1 <- ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = bill_length_mm, y = bill_depth_mm, colour = species)) +
4    geom_point()
5
6 g2 <- ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = species, y = flipper_length_mm)) +
7    geom_boxplot()
8
9 g3 <- ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = flipper_length_mm, y = body_mass_g, colour = species)) +
10    geom_point()</pre>
```

Side-by-Side 2 plots

1 g1 + g2

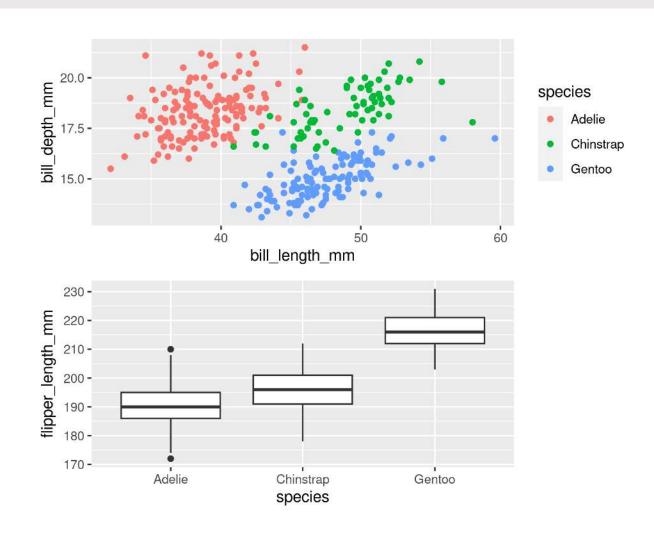


Side-by-Side 3 plots



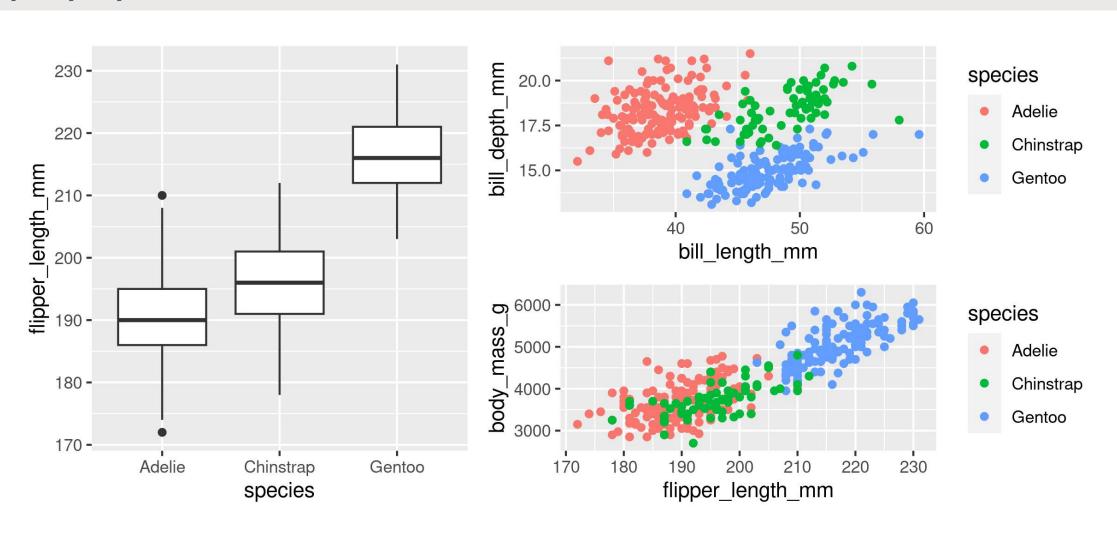
Stacked 2 plots

1 g1 / g2



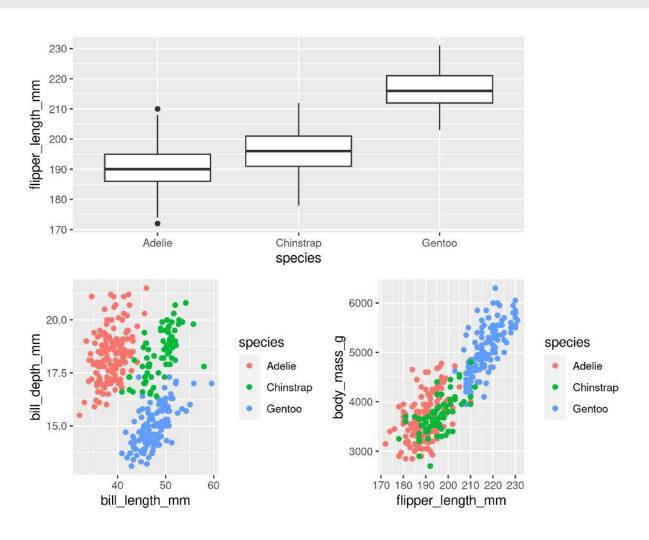
More complex arrangements

1 g2 + (g1 / g3)



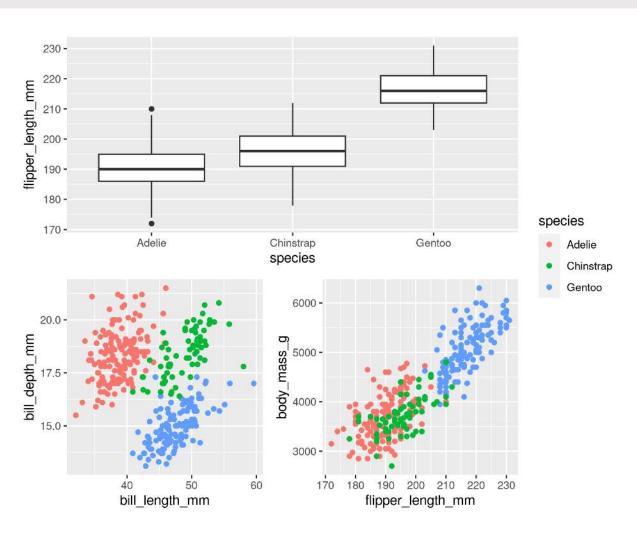
More complex arrangements

1 g2 / (g1 + g3)



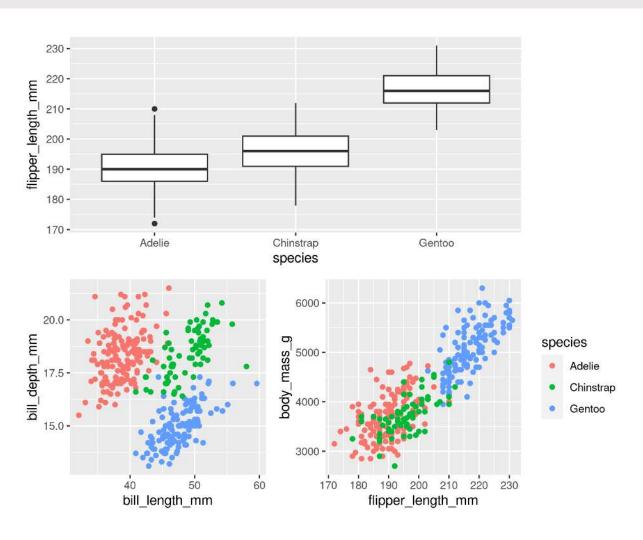
"collect" common legends

```
1 g2 / (g1 + g3) + plot layout(guides = "collect")
```



"collect" common legends

```
1 g2 / (g1 + g3 + plot layout(guides = "collect"))
```



Annotaate

Penguins Data Summary

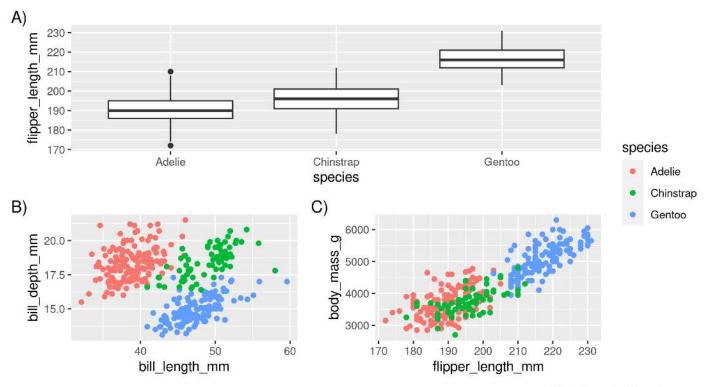


Fig 1. Penguins Data Summary

Saving plots

Saving plots

RStudio Export

Demo

ggsave()

```
1 g <- ggplot(penguins, aes(x = sex, y = bill_length_mm, fill = year)) +
2    geom_boxplot()
3
4 ggsave(filename = "penguins_mass.png", plot = g)</pre>
```

Saving plots

Publication quality plots

- Many publications require 'lossless' (pdf, svg, eps, ps) or high quality formats (tiff, png)
- Specific sizes corresponding to columns widths
- Minimum resolutions

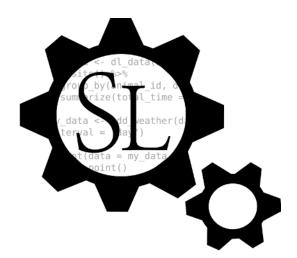
Wrapping up

Wrapping up: Common mistakes

- The package is ggplot2, the function is just ggplot()
- Did you remember to put the + at the end of the line?
- Order matters!
 - If you're using custom theme()'s, make sure you put these lines after bundled themes like theme_bw(), or they will be overwritten
- Variables like 'year' are treated as continuous, but are really categories
 - Wrap them in factor()
 - e.g. ggplot(data = penguins, aes(x = factor(year), y = body_mass_g))

Thank you!

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Extra

Your Turn!

Create a figure with...

- Custom colour mapping (i.e. scales_...)
- Clear, human-readable labels
- More than one graph, each one tagged (e.g., A) or B))
- With more than one geom type
- At least one scatterplot with regression line



OR... Load your own data and create a figure of your own!