



ggplot Wizardry

Extended Version

My Favorite Tricks and Secrets for Beautiful Plots in R

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Computational Ecology at the Leibniz Institute for Zoo and Wildlife Research

DataVizard by Heart



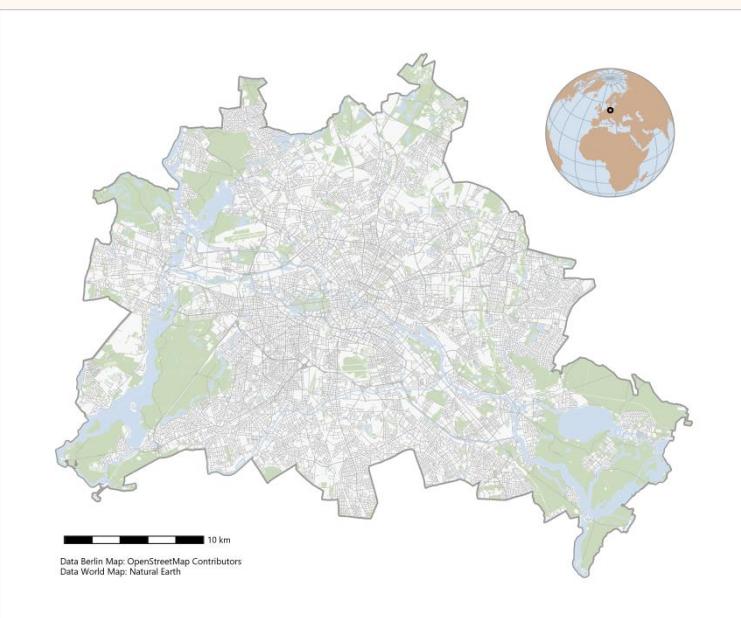
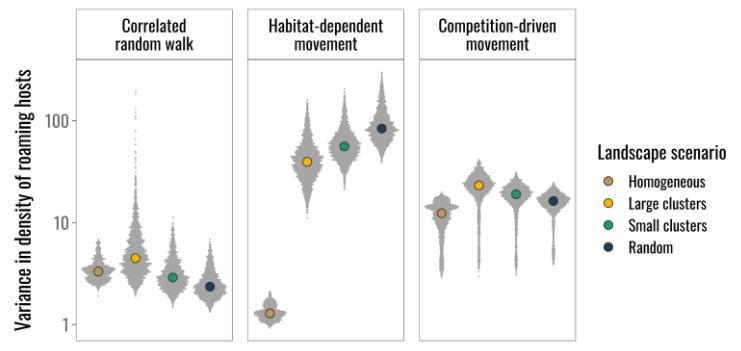
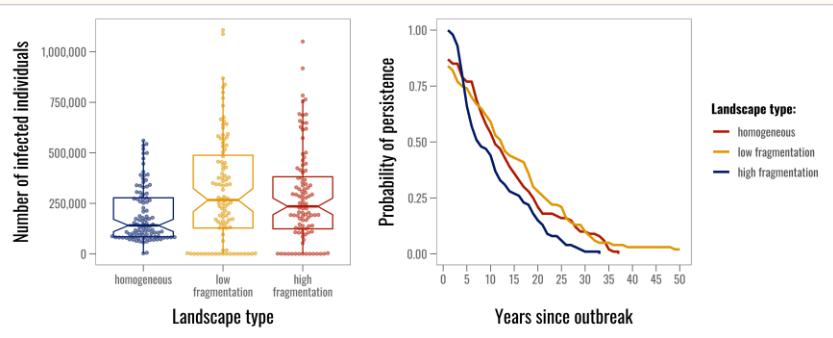
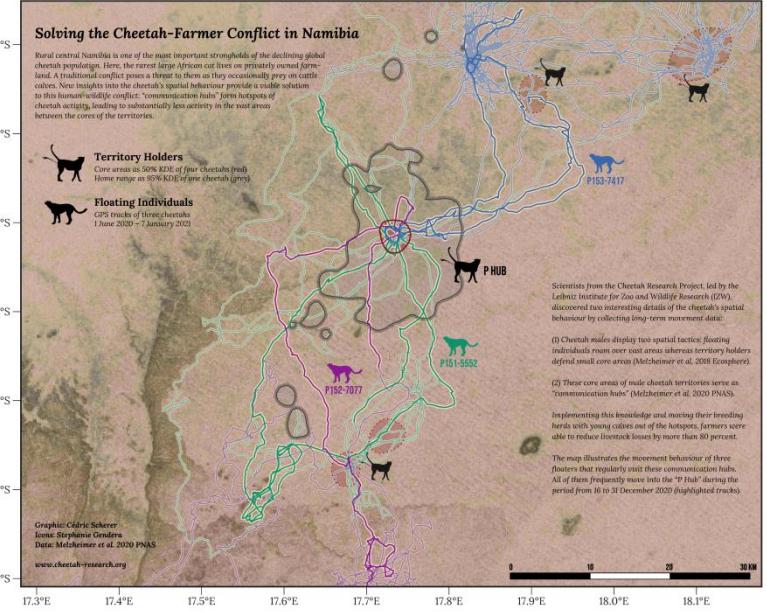
Self-employed Data Visualization Designer & Workshop Instructor

99% R | 95% ggplot2



- 2008 – my first time using R
- 2011 – frequent use of base R
- 2016 – discovered ggplot2 + rest of the tidyverse
- 2019 – using ggplot2 every day
- 2020 – freelancing with ggplot2 designs + courses





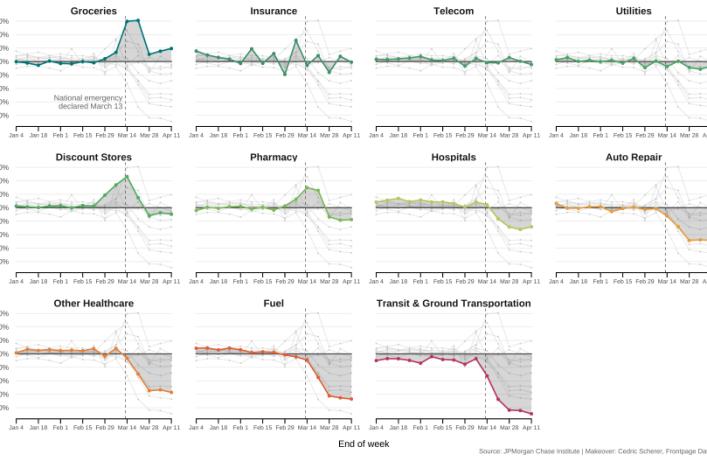
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BES MoveMap Contest –
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Oikos 129 (5):651–667
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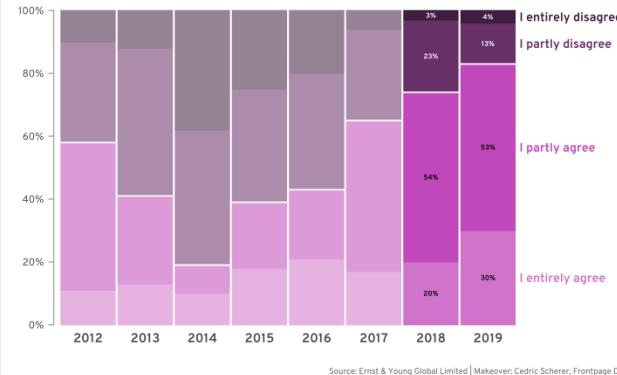
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Year-over-year percent change in spending by essential category

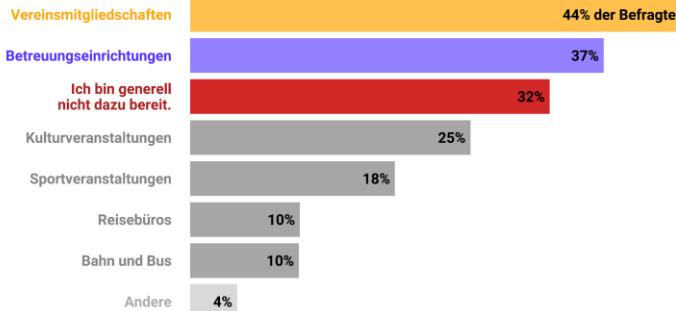


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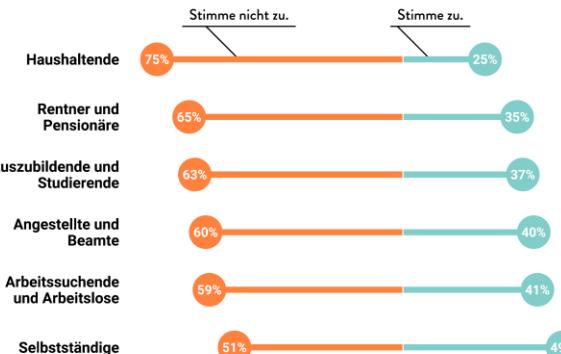
"The price of banking services will fall."



Ich bin bei diesen Betrieben bereit auf eine Rückerstattung zu verzichten.
(Mehrfachauswahl möglich)



Der Eventim-Chef Klaus-Peter Schulenberg sagt, dass die Pflicht zur Ticketerstattung der Kultur in Deutschland dauerhaft schadet.

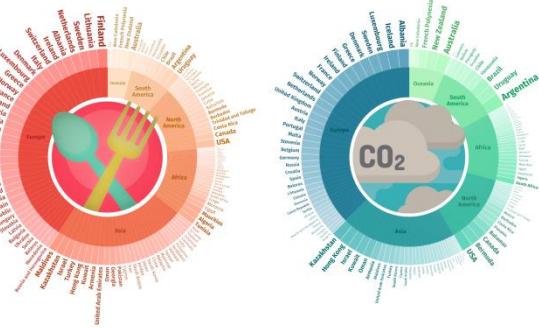


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[Makeover examples for FrontPage Data](#)

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Food Carbon Footprint Index 2018

Global comparison of different diets in terms of **Average Consumption** (kg/person/year) of both animal and non-animal products as well as **Carbon Emissions** (kg CO₂/person/year) per continent and country. Font size and color intensity indicate each country's estimate with countries **printed in bold** belonging to the upper 50% of consumers and CO₂ emitters, respectively.



Visualization by Cedric Scherer • Data by Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) via mca • Icons by Freepik

THE WHOLE WORLD IS GETTING WARMER

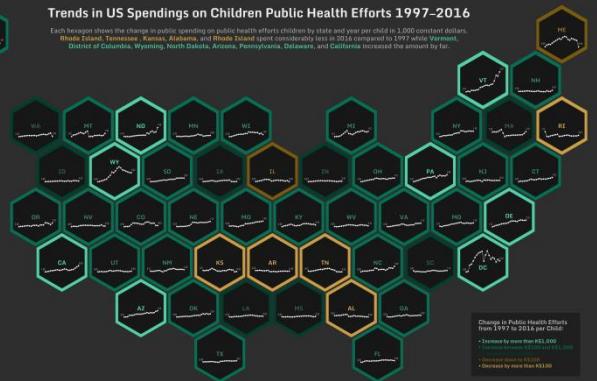
TEMPERATURE ANOMALIES BY COUNTRY 1880-2018 COMPARED TO 1850-1900 BASELINE



Visualization: Cedric Scherer • Data: GISTEMP (country-level data provided by Kevin Lipps)

Trends in US Spending on Children Public Health Efforts 1997–2016

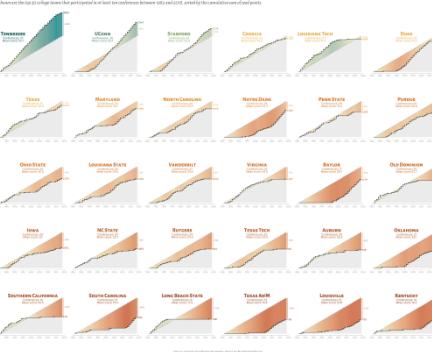
Each hexagon shows the change in public spending on public health efforts children by the last year our child in 2010 completed school.
Rhode Island, Tennessee, & Kentucky All three Rhode Island spent considerably less in 2016 compared to 1997 while Vermont, District of Columbia, Wyoming, North Dakota, Arizona, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and California increased the amount by far.



Visualization by Cedric Scherer • Data: Census Bureau's Annual State and Local Government Finance Survey (Expenditure Variable E22)

THE RISE & FALL OF WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL DYNASTIES

A women's college basketball dynasty is defined as one that has averaged at least 10 wins per year for five consecutive years during the regular season. This visualization highlights the rise and fall of women's college basketball dynasties in the United States. The data is based on the most recent available information.



Visualization: Cedric Scherer • Data: NCAAW Women's Basketball Database

Wind Turbines in Canada

Each vertical stripe contains the same number of wind turbines.



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an R package

is a system for declaratively creating graphics
based on “The Grammar of Graphics”.



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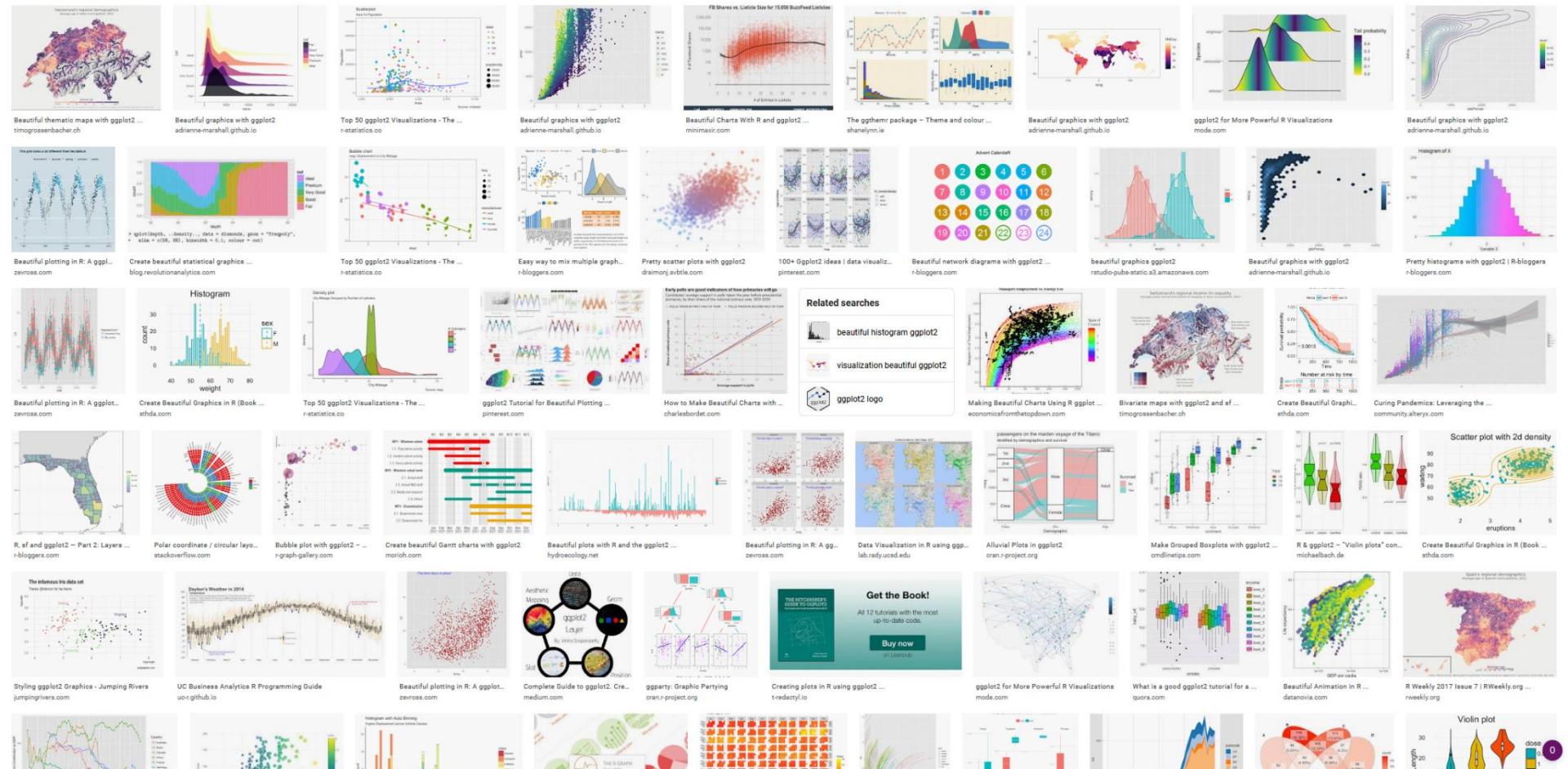
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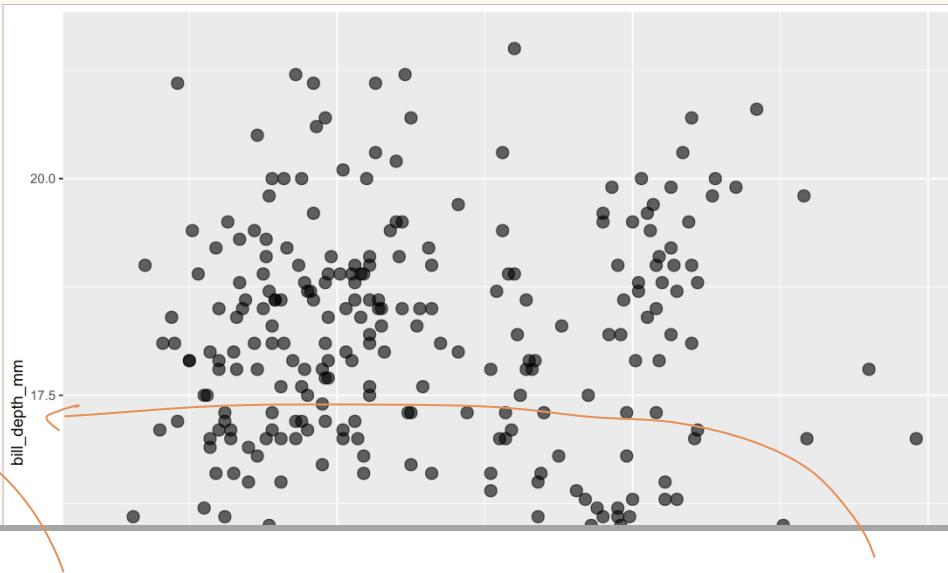
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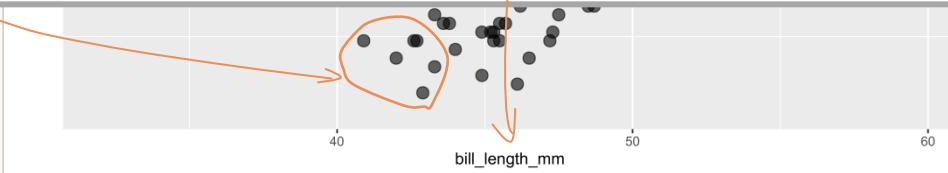
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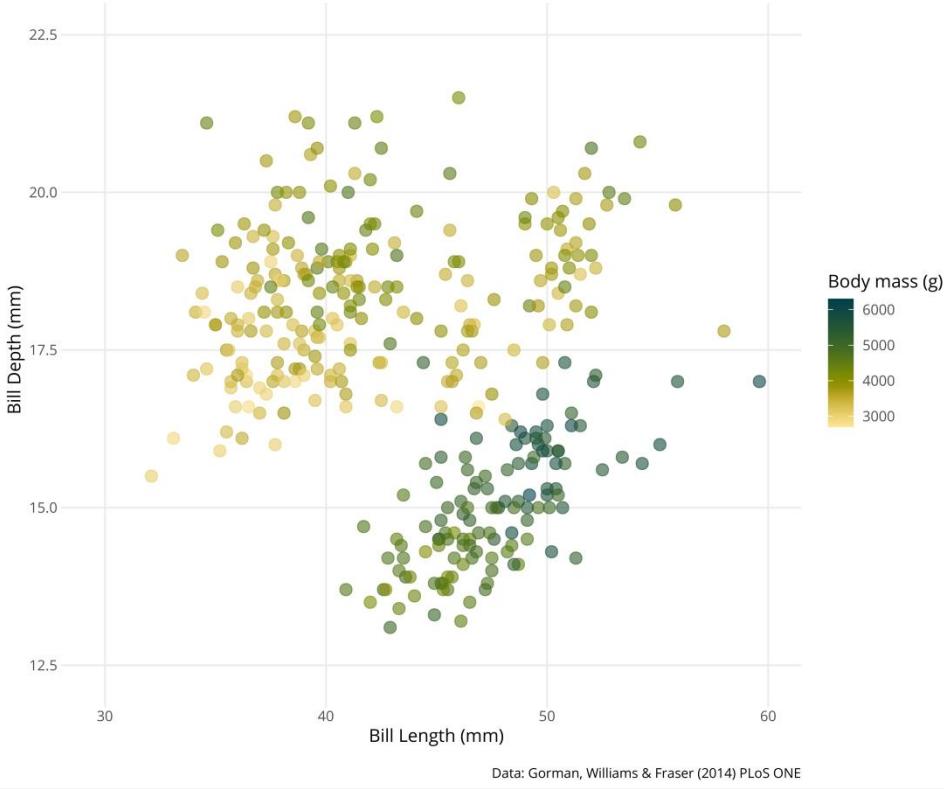
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Bill Dimensions of Brush-Tailed Penguins (*Pygoscelis*)

A scatter plot of bill depth versus bill length.



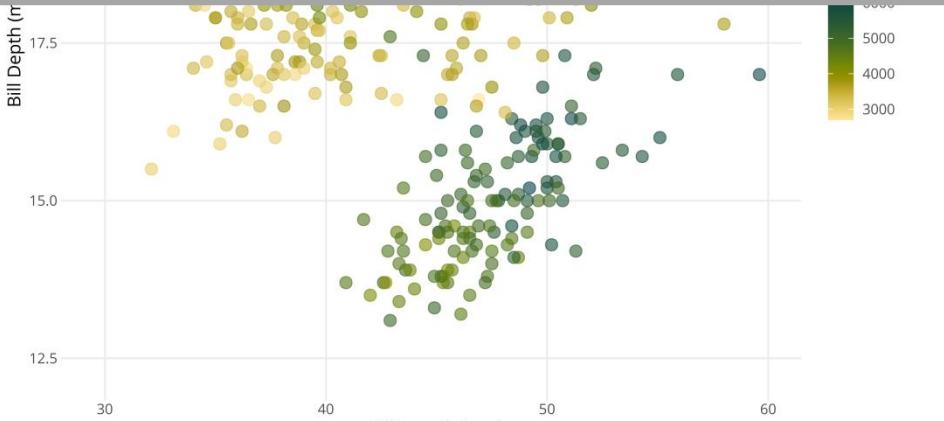
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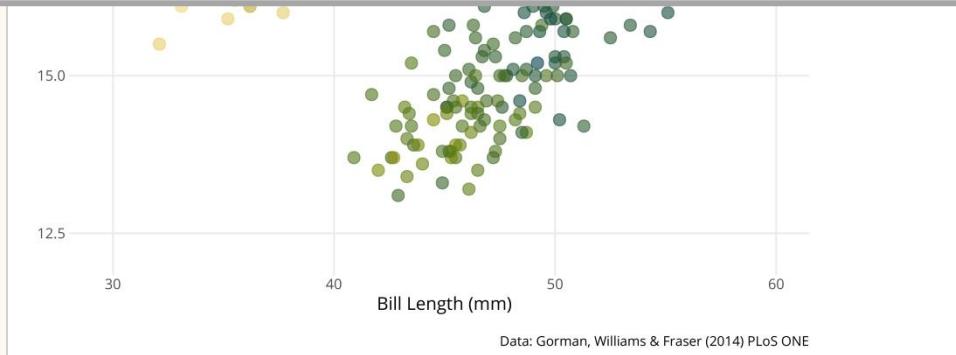
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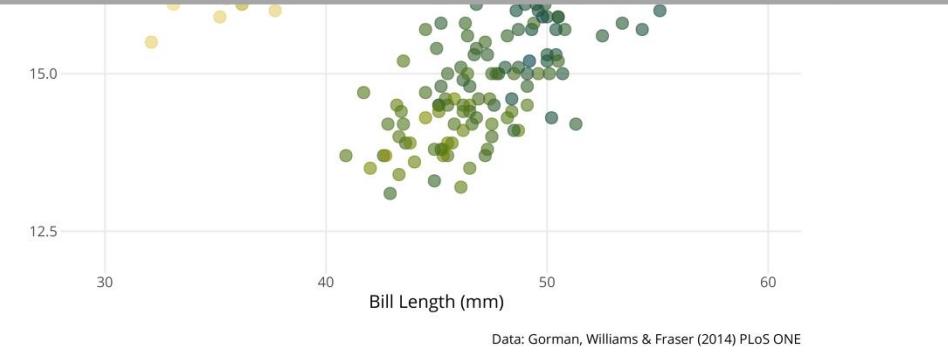
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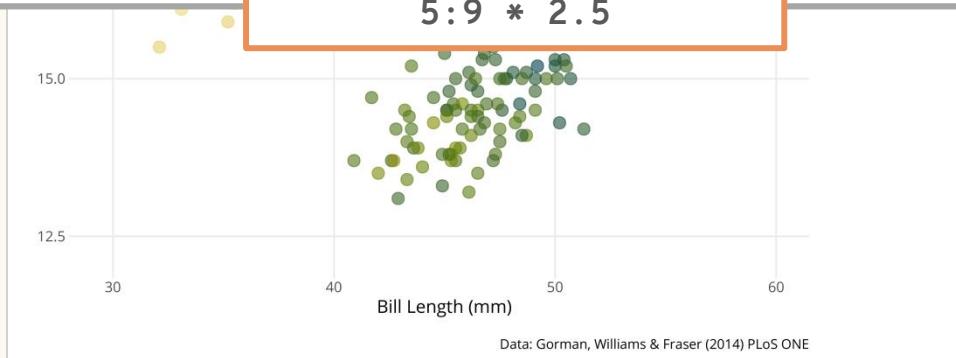


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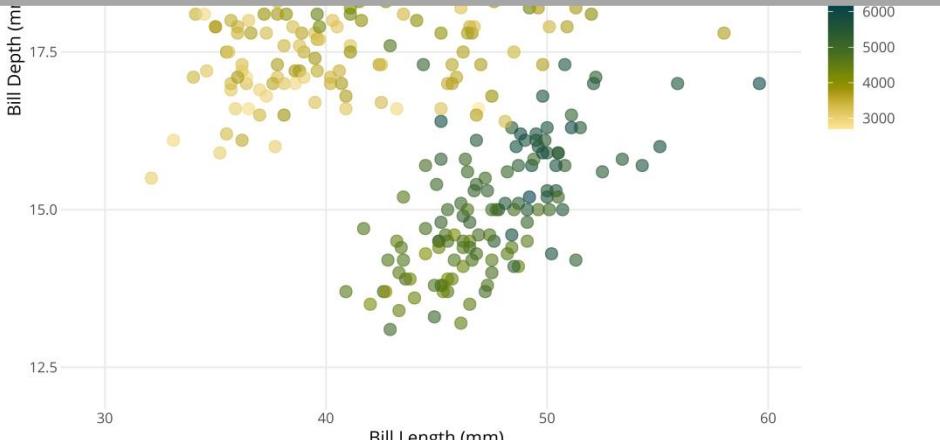
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Run before plotting!
(or add via +)

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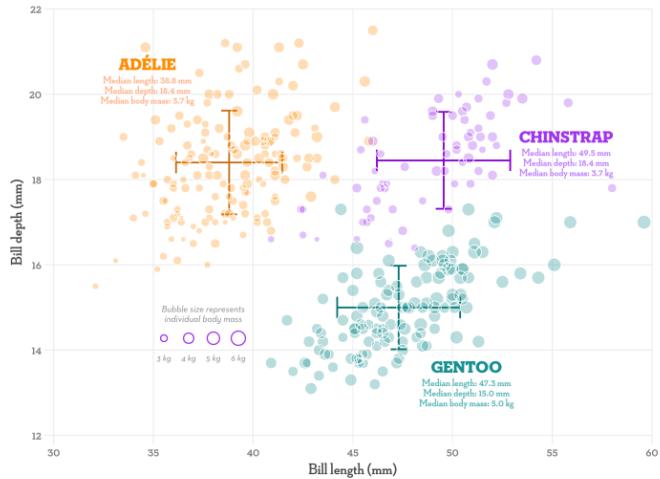
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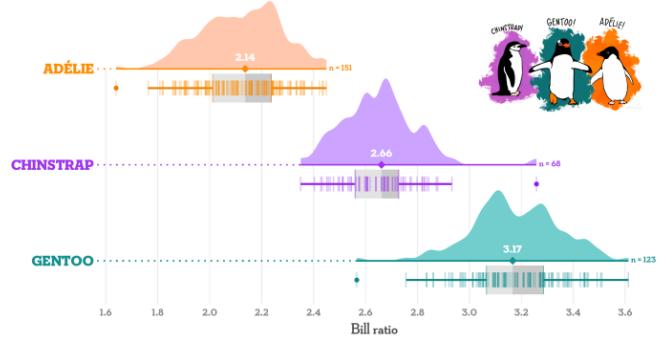
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B. Distribution of the bill ratio, estimated as bill length divided by bill depth

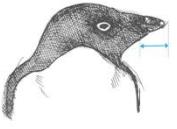


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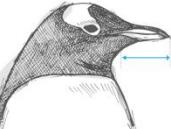
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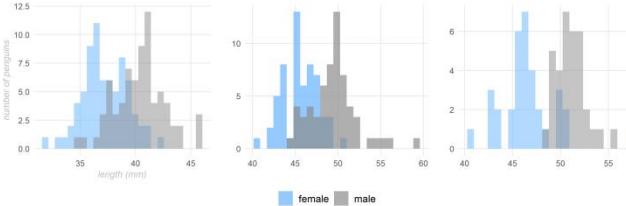
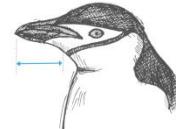
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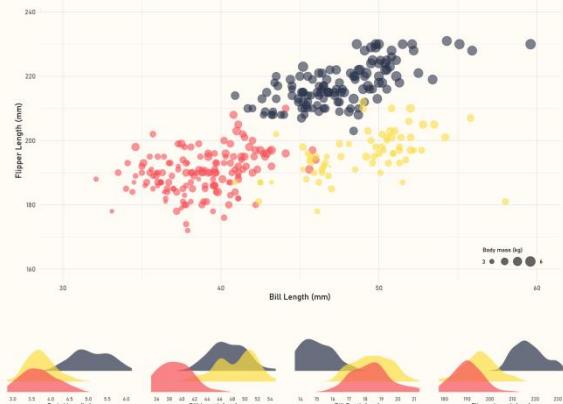
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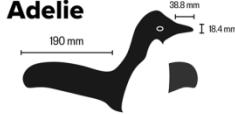
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Palmer Penguins

Median length of flipper, length and depth of bill, of 342 penguins recorded between 2007 and 2009

Adelie



Recorded penguins by species

151

Chinstrap



68

Gentoo



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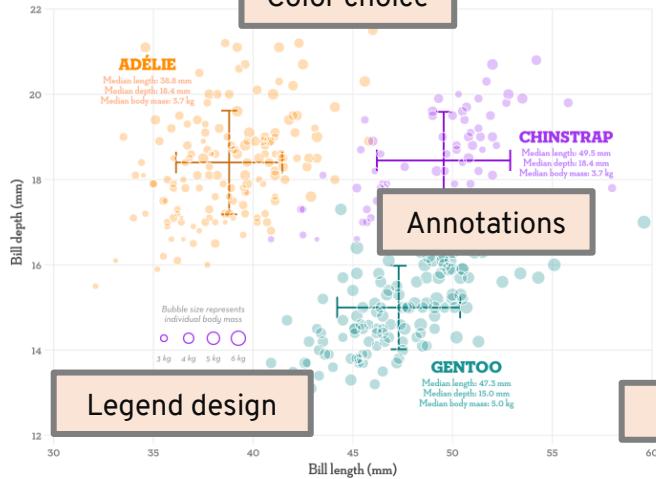
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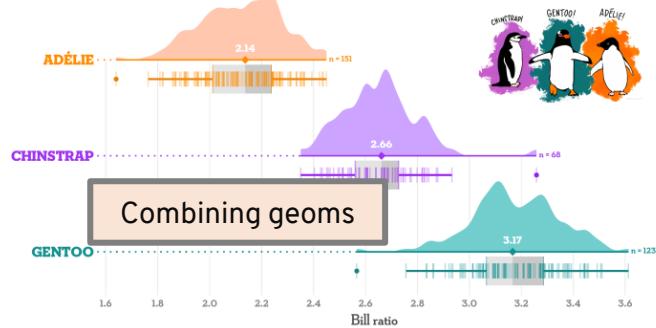


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Color choice



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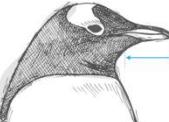
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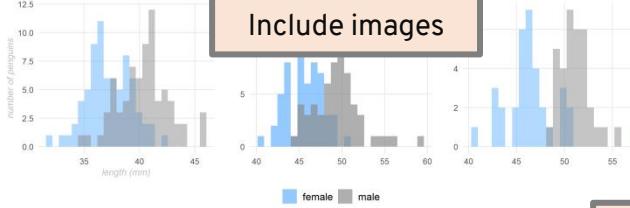
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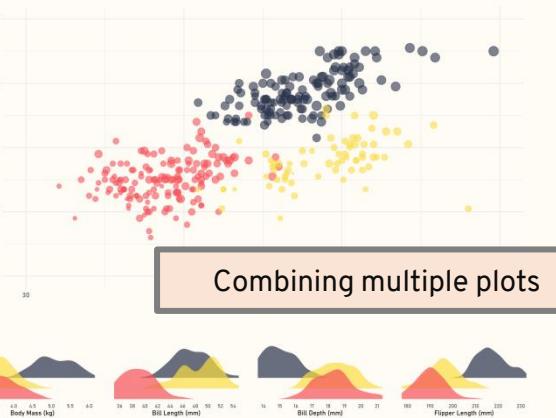


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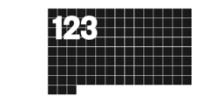
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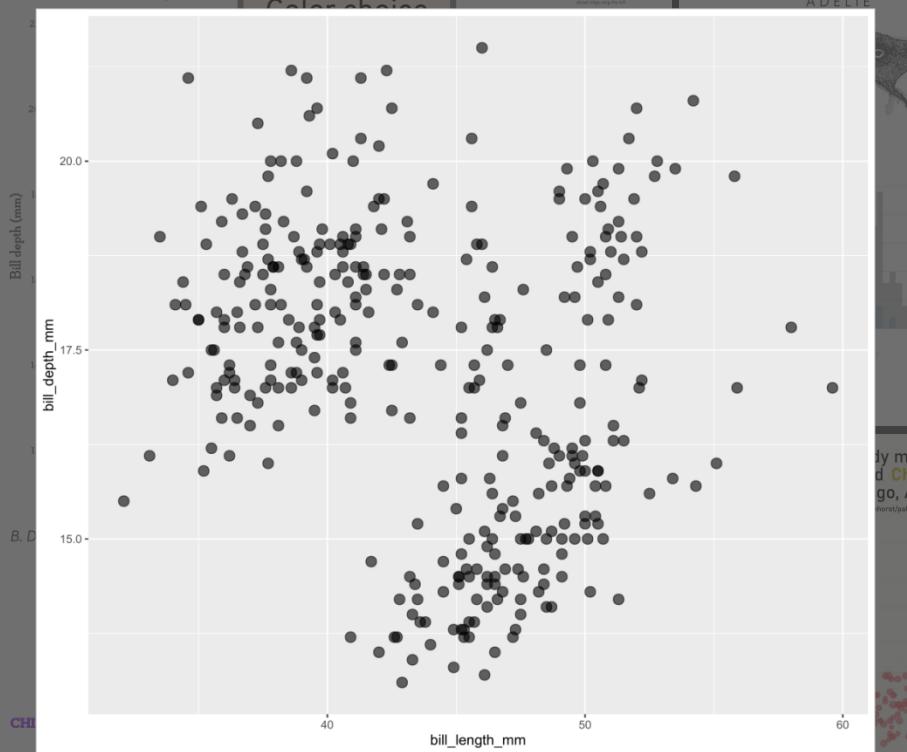
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Combining geoms

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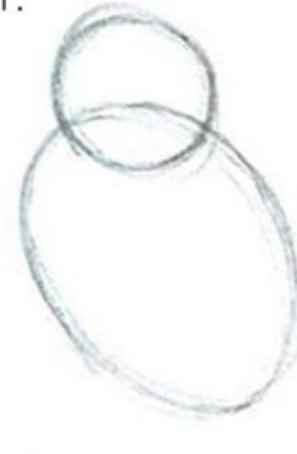
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How to draw an owl

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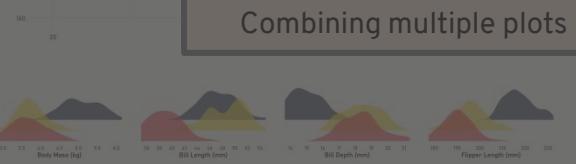
2.



1. Draw some circles

2. Draw the rest of the fowl owl

Combining multiple plots



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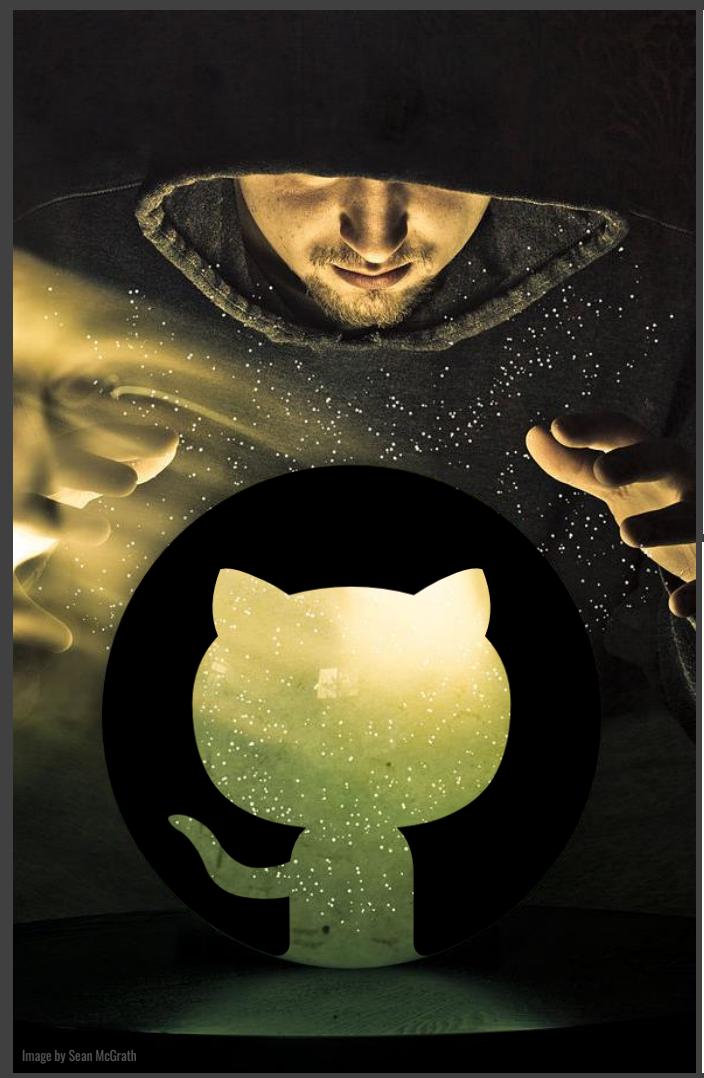
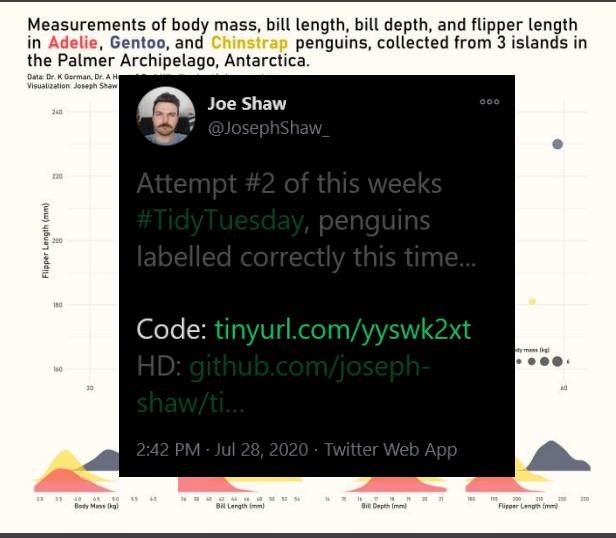
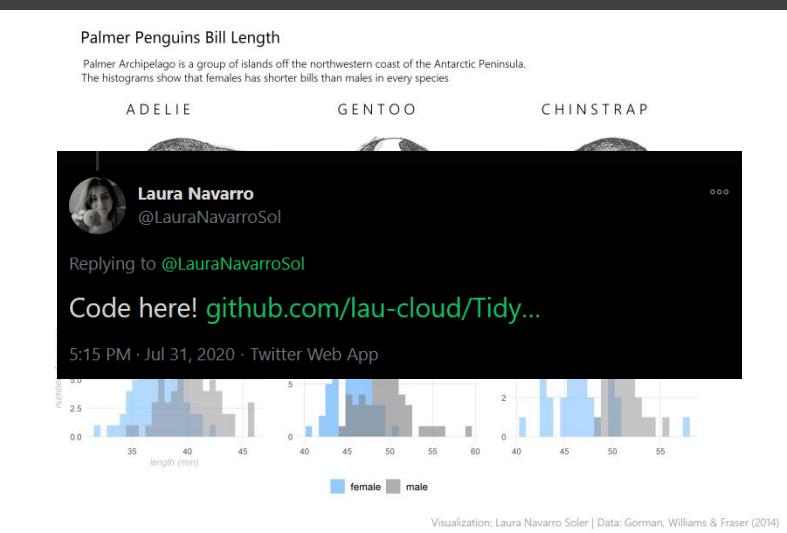
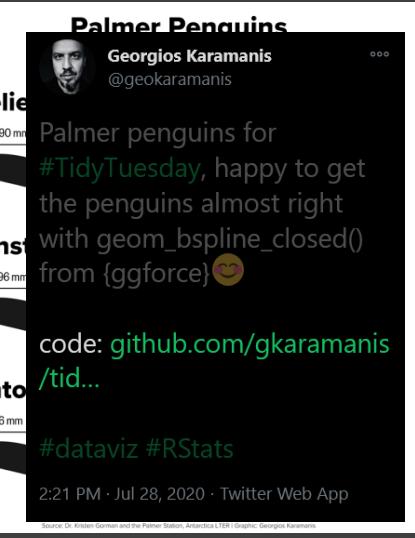


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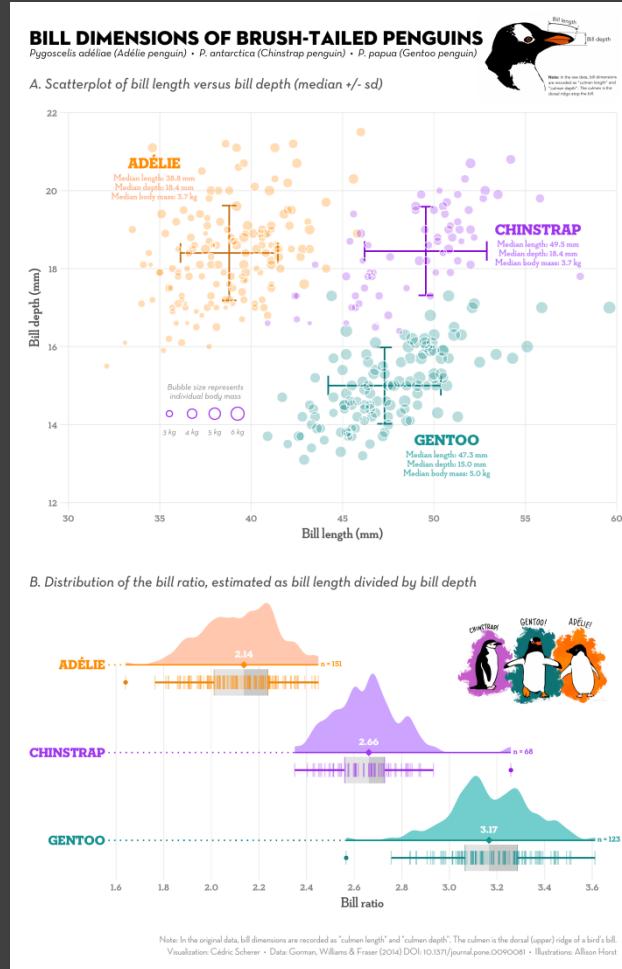
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“#TidyTuesday became a ‘choose your own adventure game’, which allowed participants **to ‘pursue something really weird’ beyond traditional visualizations.**”

I17 and P16 in *Proc. ACM Hum.-Comput. Interact.* 37, 4, Article 111



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mjskay.github.io/ggdist

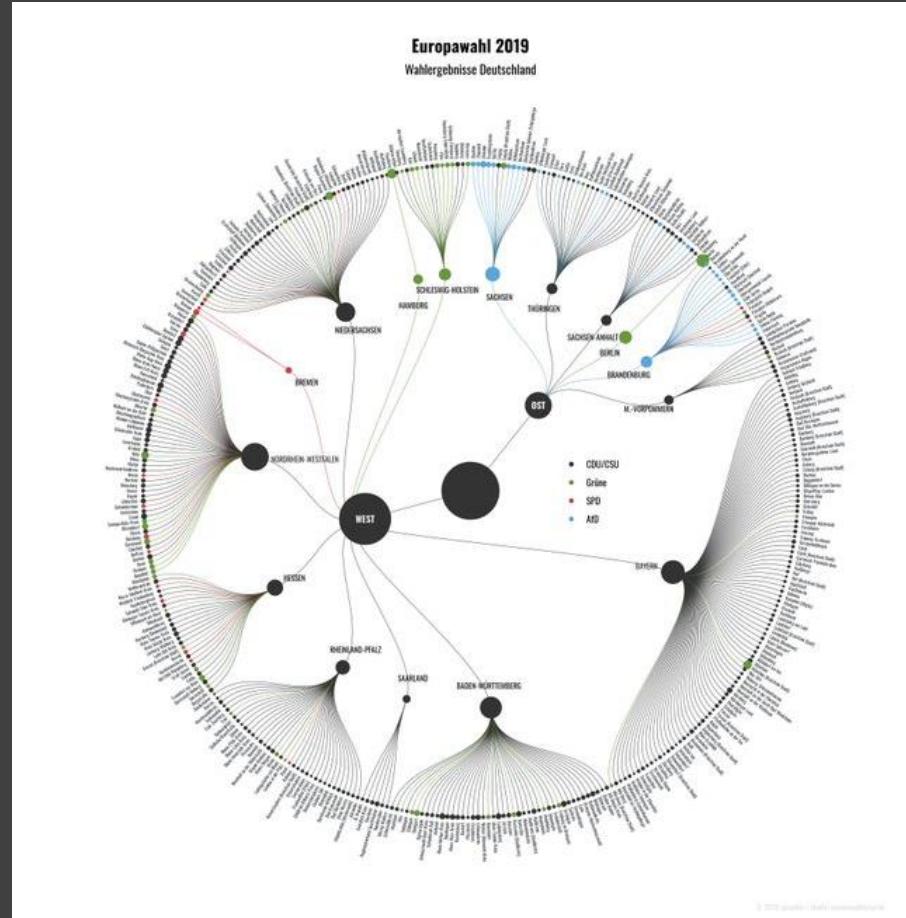
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My Contribution to #TidyTuesday 2020/31

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Tree Diagrams + Networks



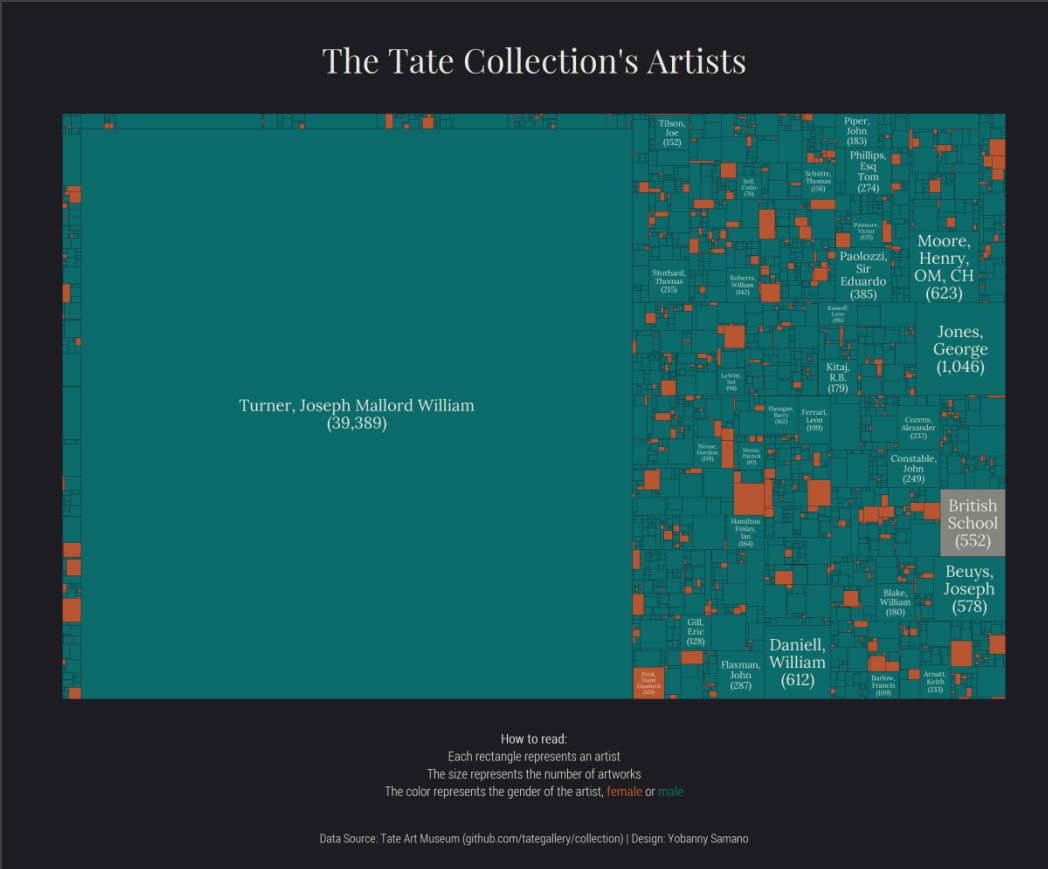
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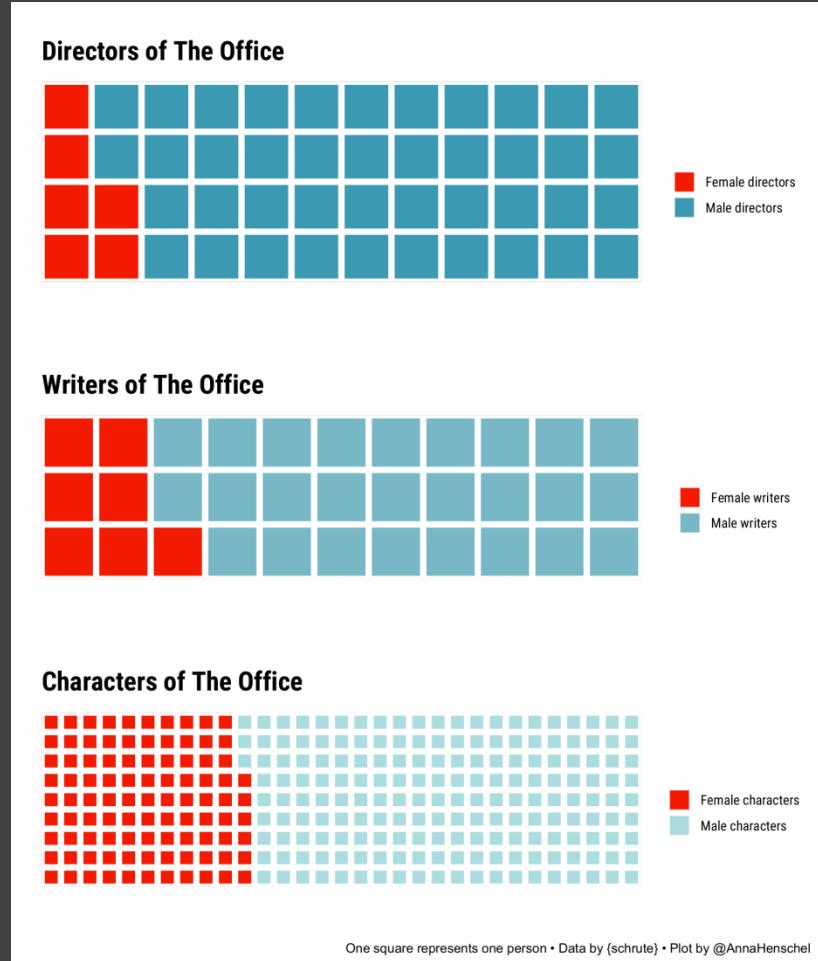
Treemaps



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Waffle Charts



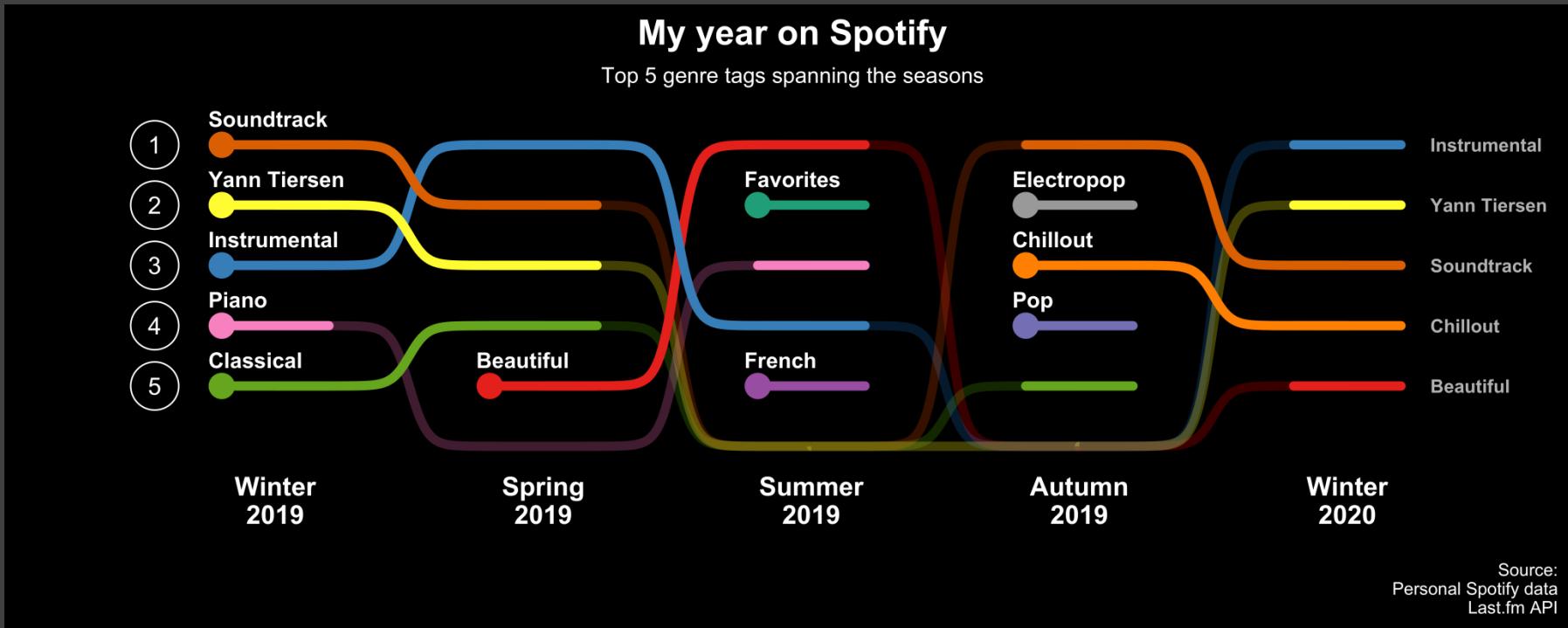
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Anna Henschel, #TidyTuesday 2020/12

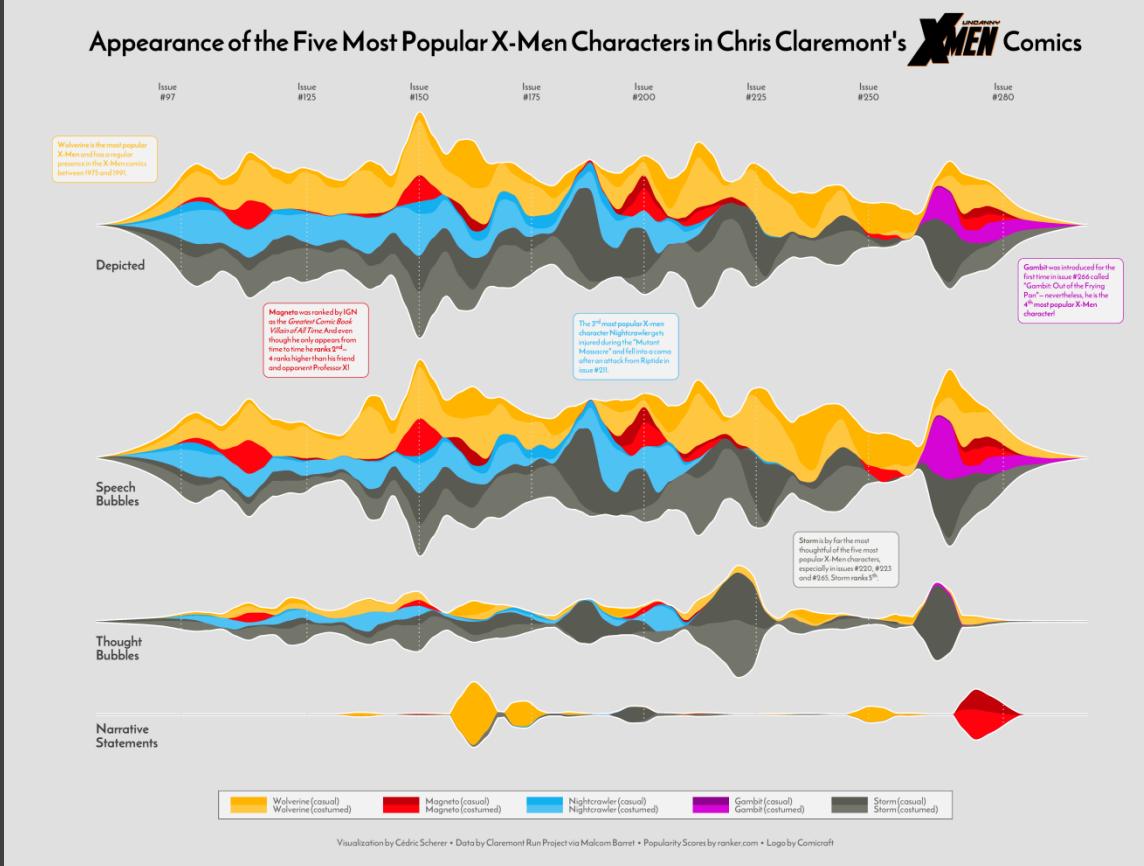
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Bump Charts



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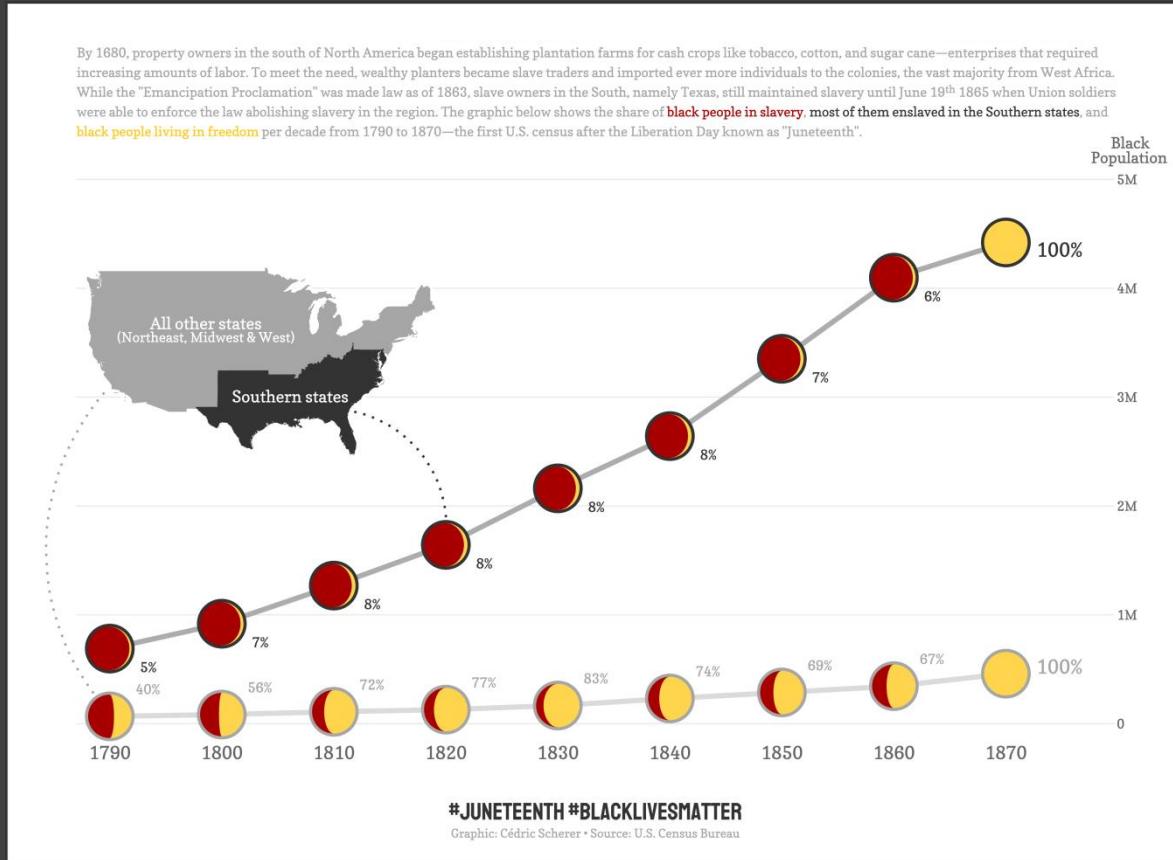


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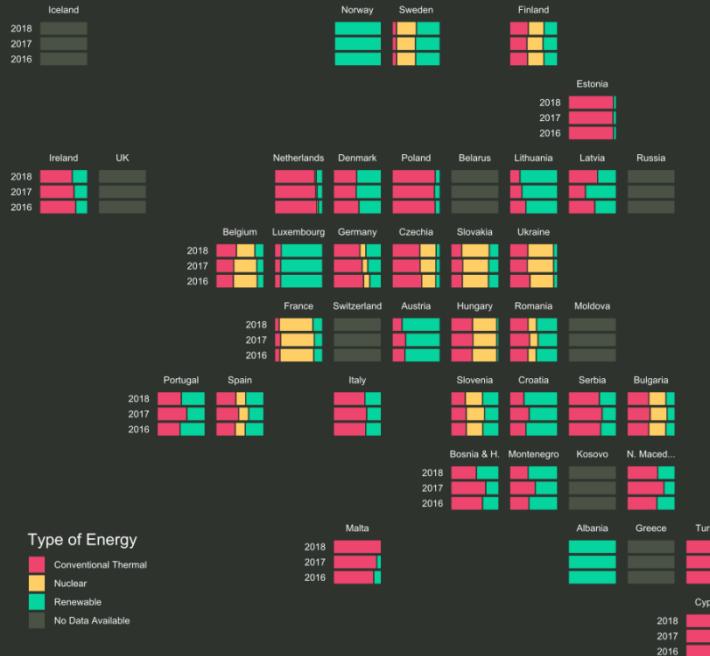


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Geofacets

EUROPEAN ENERGY GENERATION

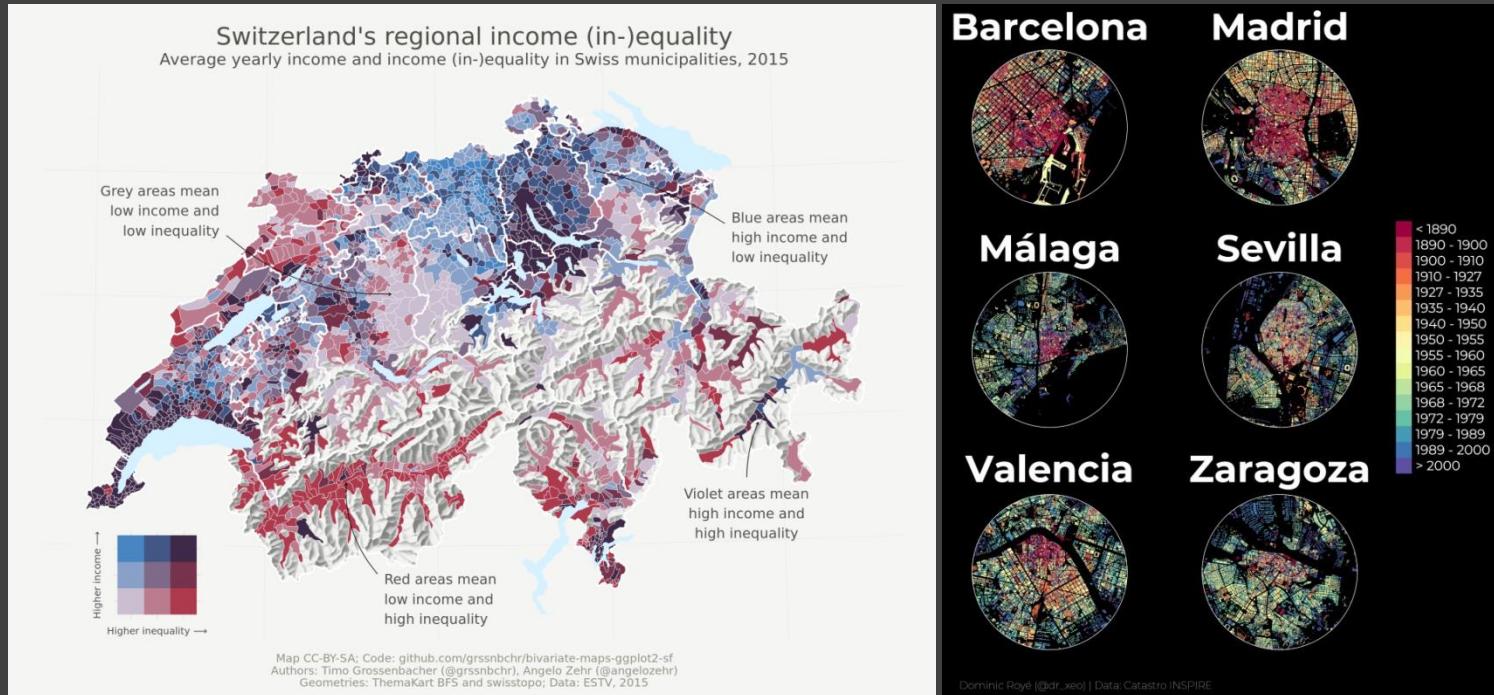
Each bar represents the **total energy generation** for each country per year.
The colours represent the proportion of energy generated a) using **conventional thermal power plants**, which is to say those that use coal, oil or natural gas,
b) using **nuclear power stations**, and c) using other **renewable sources**.



Data from 'Electricity generation statistics - First Results' (ec.europa.eu/eurostat/statistics-explained)
Visualisation by Jack Davison (@JDavison_)
Code found at github.com/jack-davison

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Cartograms

What do most people die from?

Cardiovascular Diseases



Cancers



Diabetes



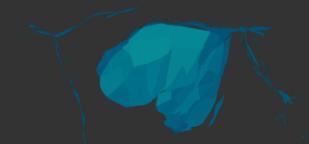
The leading causes of death across the world still vary significantly.

These cartograms show causes of deaths in 2016 that exceeded 20 percent of total deaths in at least 1 country.

HIV Infections & Aids



Malaria Infections



Wars & Conflicts



The data refers to the specific cause of death, which is distinguished from risk factors for death, such as air pollution, diet and other lifestyle factors.

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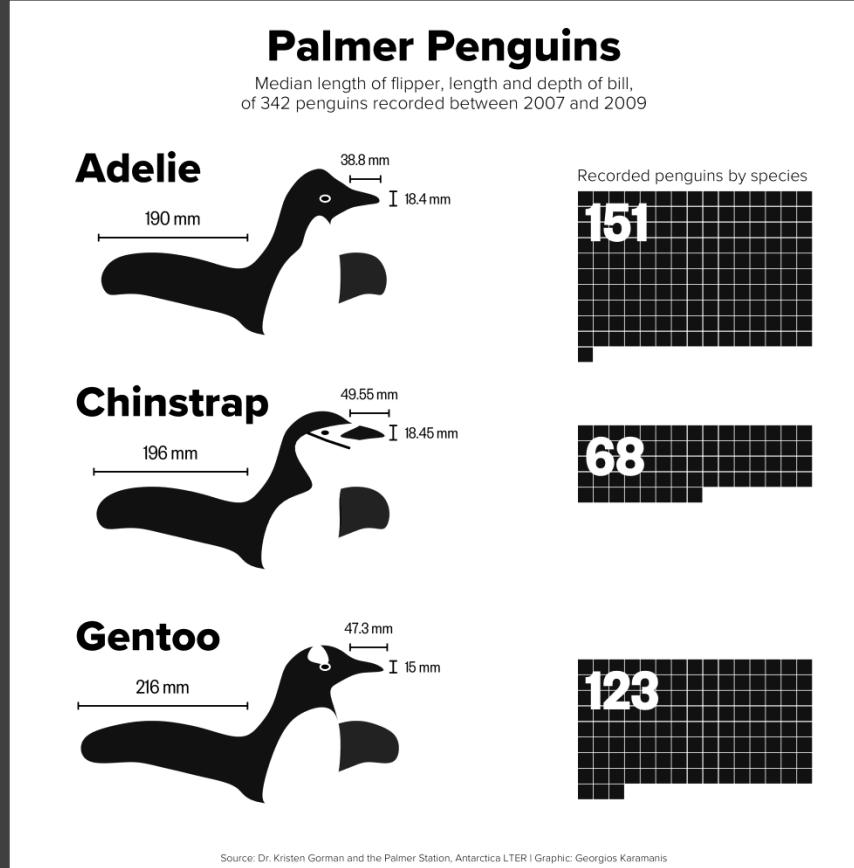
github.com/sjewo/cartogram

Visualization by Cédric Schefer • Data by OurWorldInData.org

My Contribution to the #30DayMapChallenge 2019, Topic *Polygons*

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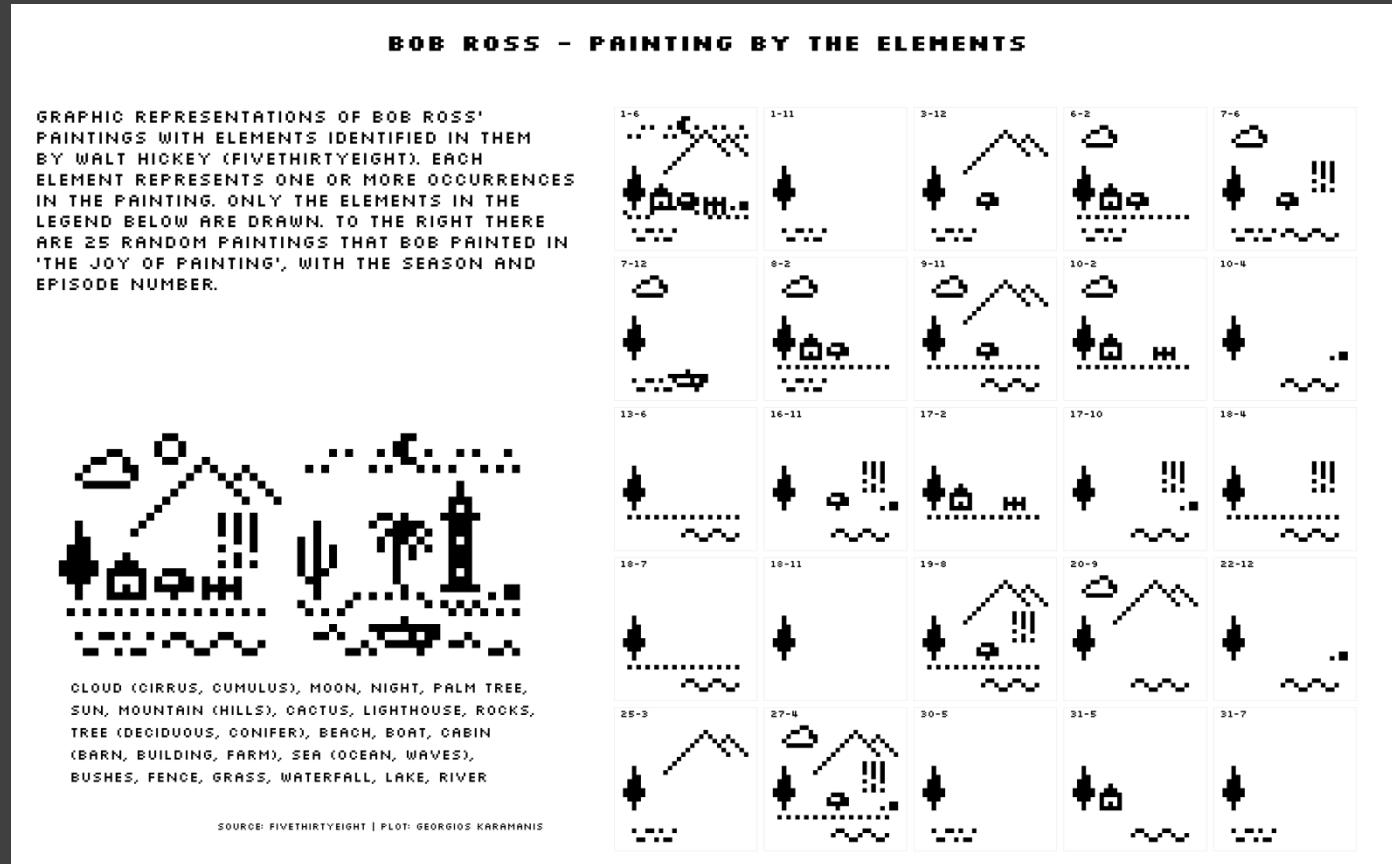
Tour de France Winners

Source: alastairrushworth/tdf & kaggle.com/jaminliu | Graphic: Georgios Karamanis

YEAR	DISTANCE	WINNER	TEAM	AVERAGE SPEED	TOTAL TIME	YEAR
1985	0	8000 km			300 h	1985
1986	2428	René Gavet (FRA)	La Française	25.3	• 96.1	1986
1987	4488	Henri Cornet (FRA)	Gemini	25.3	• 96.1	1987
1988	4754	Louis Trousselier (FRA)	Peugeot-Wilber	25.3	• 96.1	1988
1989	4754	René Pottier (FRA)	Peugeot-Wilber	25.3	• 96.1	1989
1990	4754	Lucien Petit-Breton (FRA)	Peugeot-Wilber	25.3	• 96.1	1990
1991	4754	René Pottier (FRA)	Peugeot-Wilber	25.3	• 96.1	1991
1992	5287	François Faber (LUX)	Acylon-Bulutop	26.7	• 197.9	1992
1993	5287	Gustave Serrigno (FRA)	Acylon-Bulutop	26.7	• 197.9	1993
1994	5287	Odile Defraye (BEL)	Acylon-Bulutop	26.7	• 197.9	1994
1995	5287	René Pottier (FRA)	Acylon-Bulutop	26.7	• 197.9	1995
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2011	5287	Cadel Evans (AUS)	Trek-Cannondale	39.8	• 86.2	2011
2012	5287	Ben King (GBR)	Trek-Cannondale	39.8	• 86.2	2012
2013	5287	Alberto Contador (ESP)	Astana	40.5	• 87.9	2013
2014	5287	Chris Froome (GBR)	Team Sky	40.7	• 90	2014
2015	5287	Chris Froome (GBR)	Team Sky	40.7	• 90	2015
2016	5287	Chris Froome (GBR)	Team Sky	40.7	• 90	2016
2017	5287	Chris Froome (GBR)	Team Sky	41	• 86.3	2017
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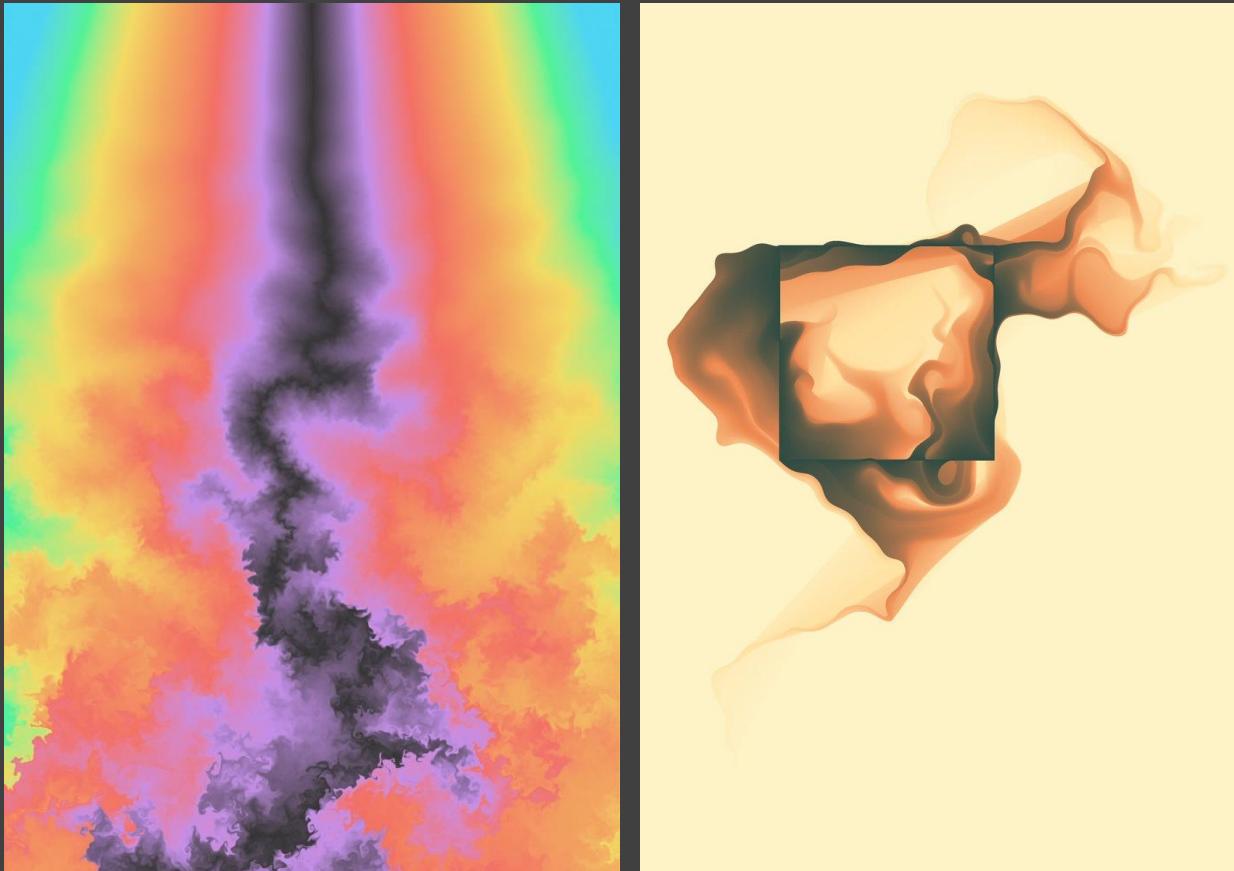
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Generative Art



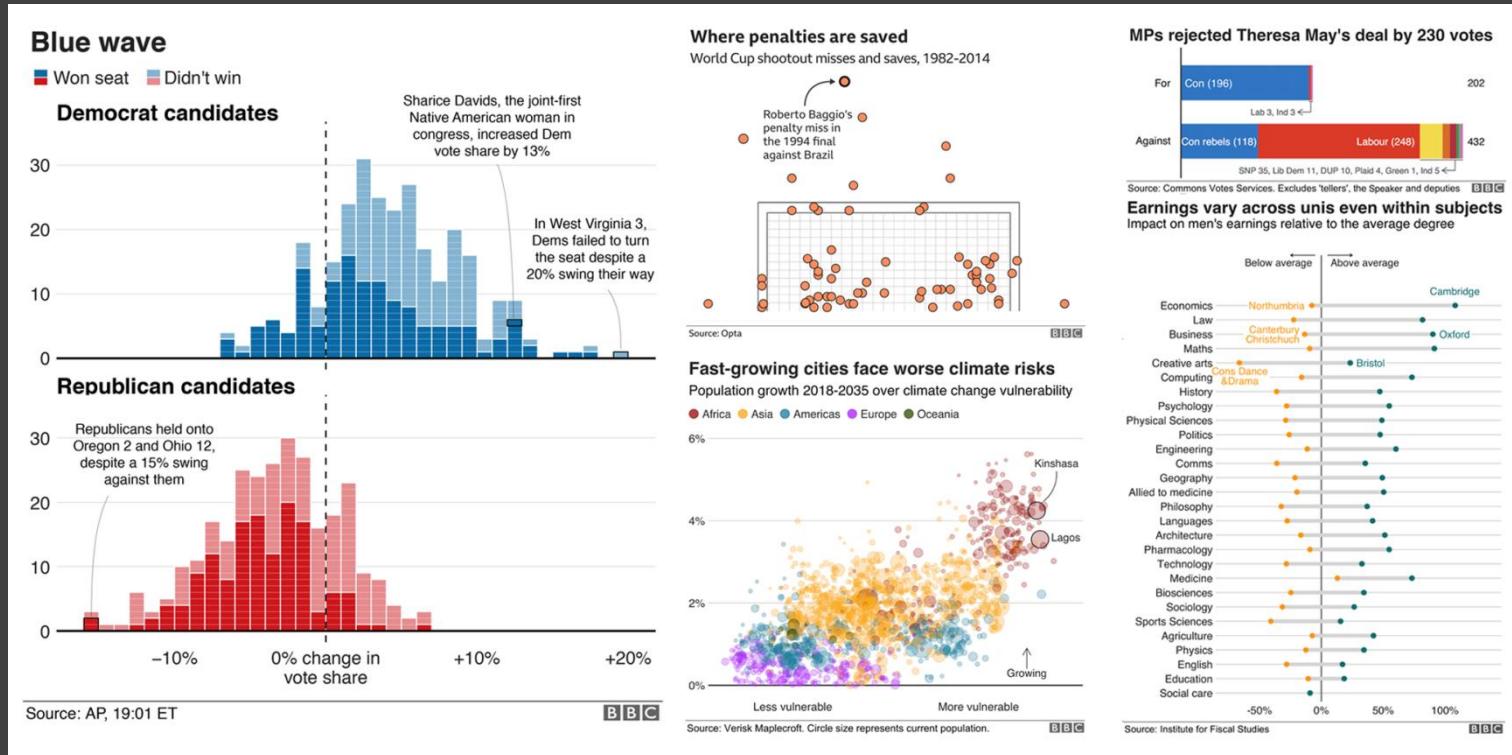
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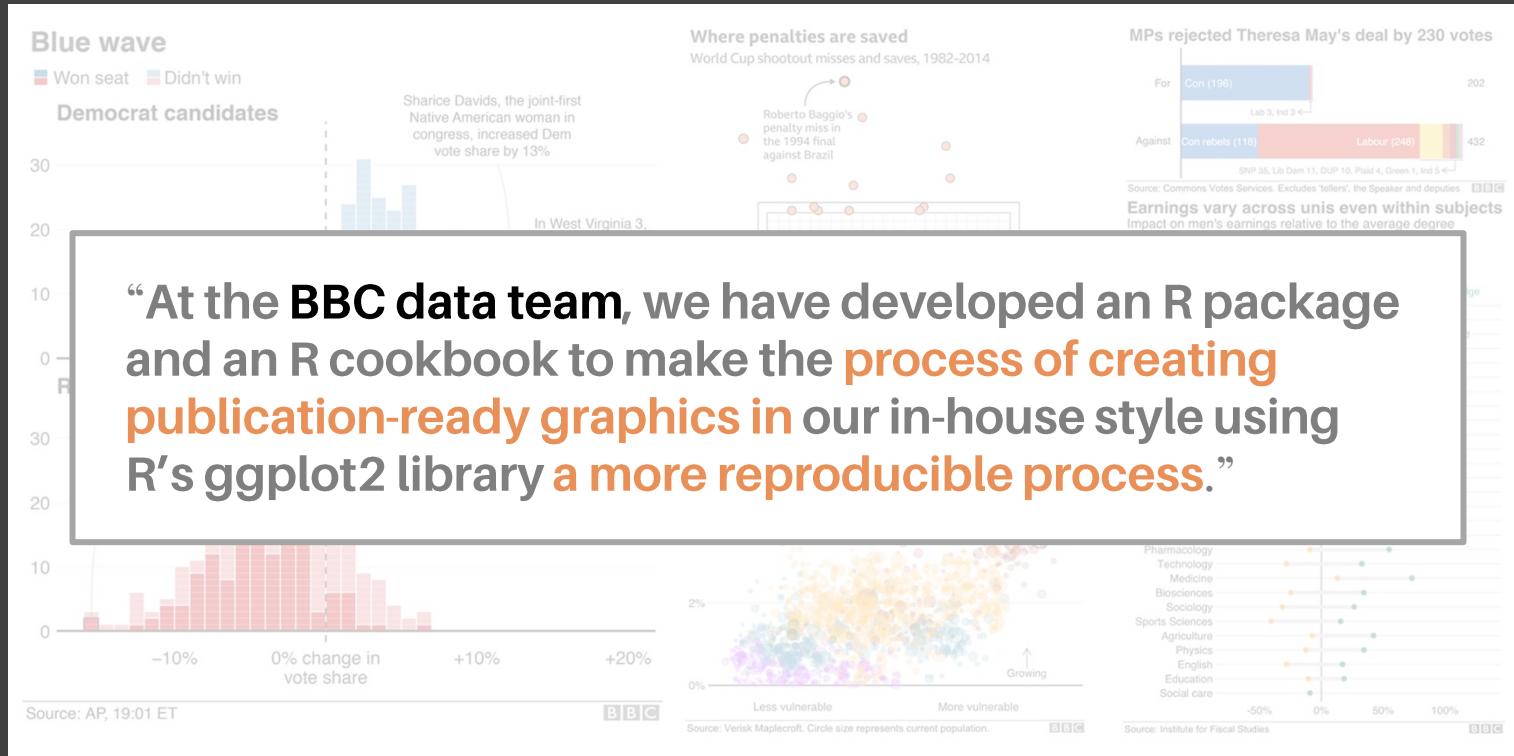
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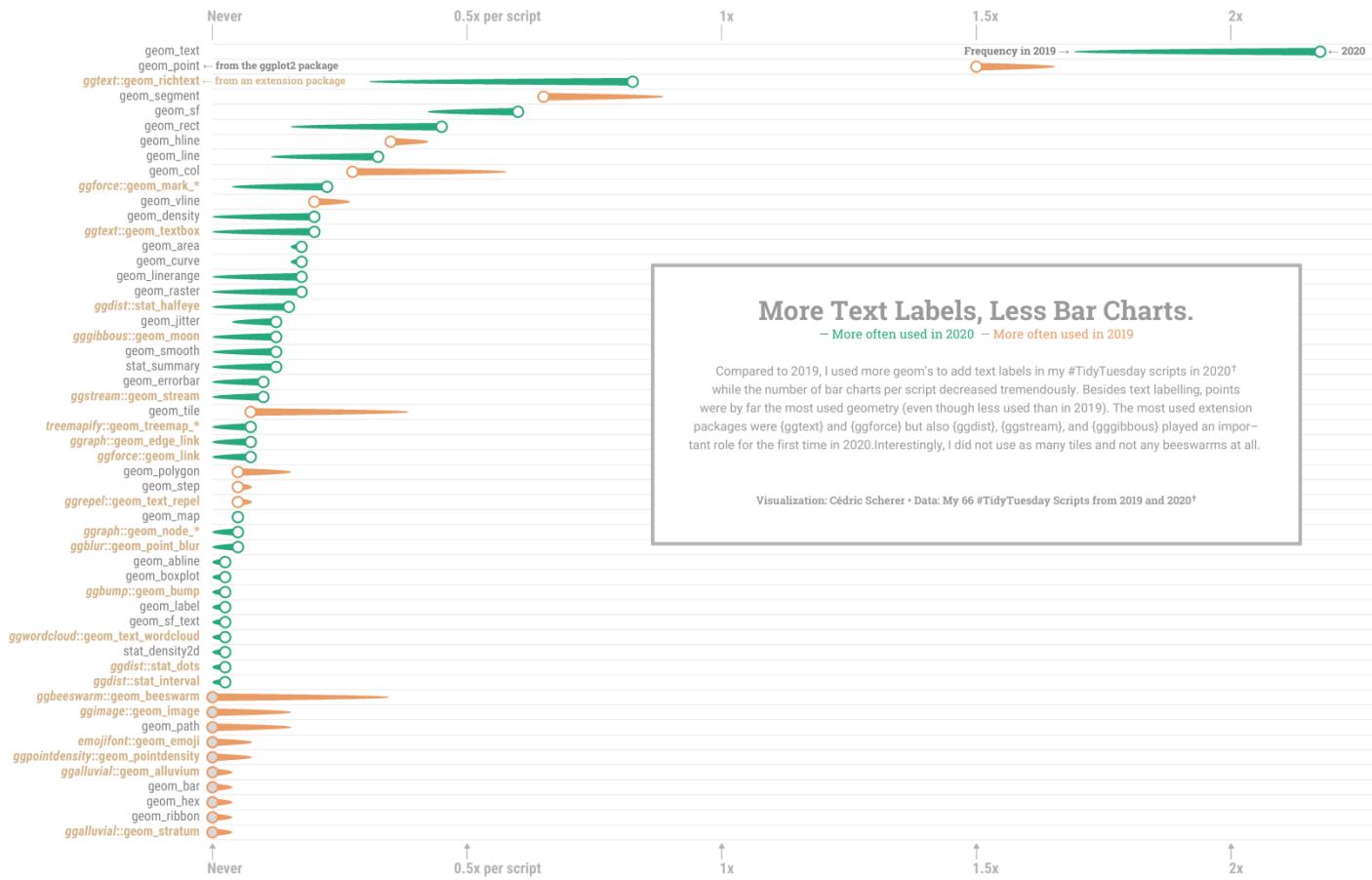
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Consistent Theming + Reproducibility





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More Text Labels, Less Bar Charts.

— More often used in 2020 — More often used in 2019

Compared to 2019, I used more geom's to add text labels in my #TidyTuesday scripts in 2020[†] while the number of bar charts per script decreased tremendously. Besides text labelling, points were by far the most used geometry (even though less used than in 2019). The most used extension packages were (ggtext) and (ggforce) but also (ggdist), (gstreamer), and (gggibbous) played an important role for the first time in 2020. Interestingly, I did not use as many tiles and not any beeswarms at all.

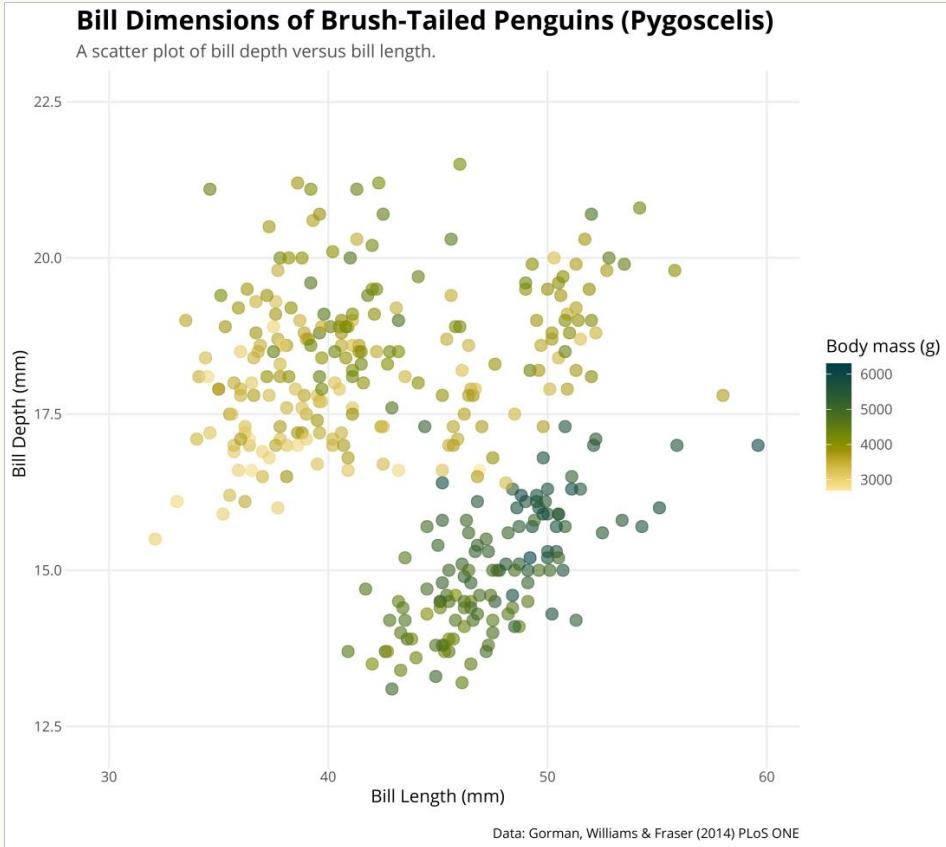
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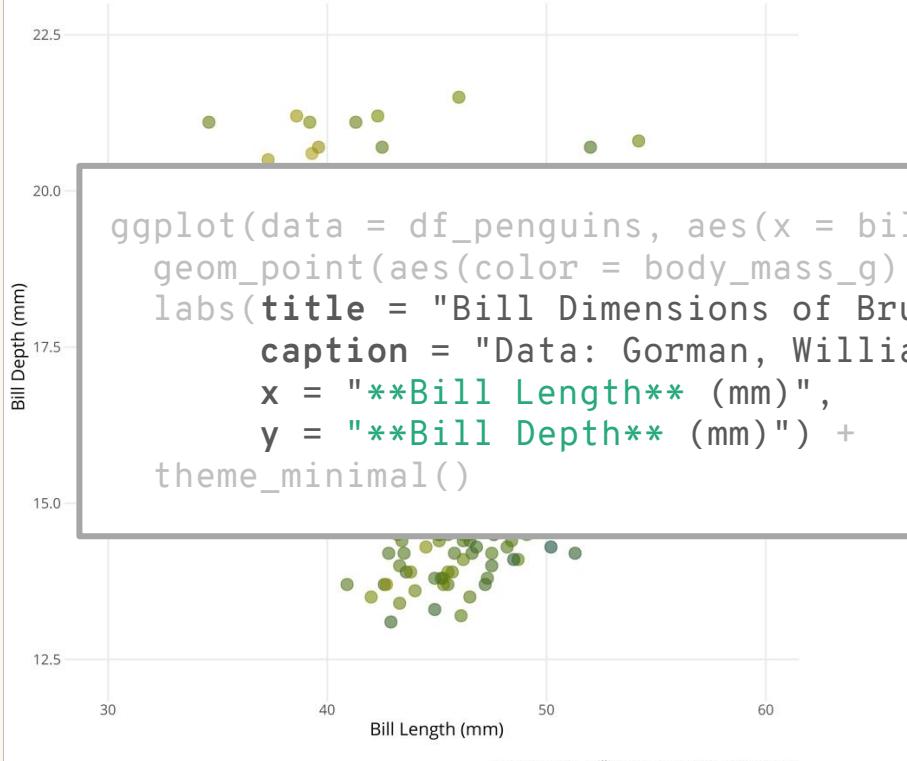
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Bill Dimensions of Brush-Tailed Penguins (Pygoscelis)

A scatter plot of bill depth versus bill length.



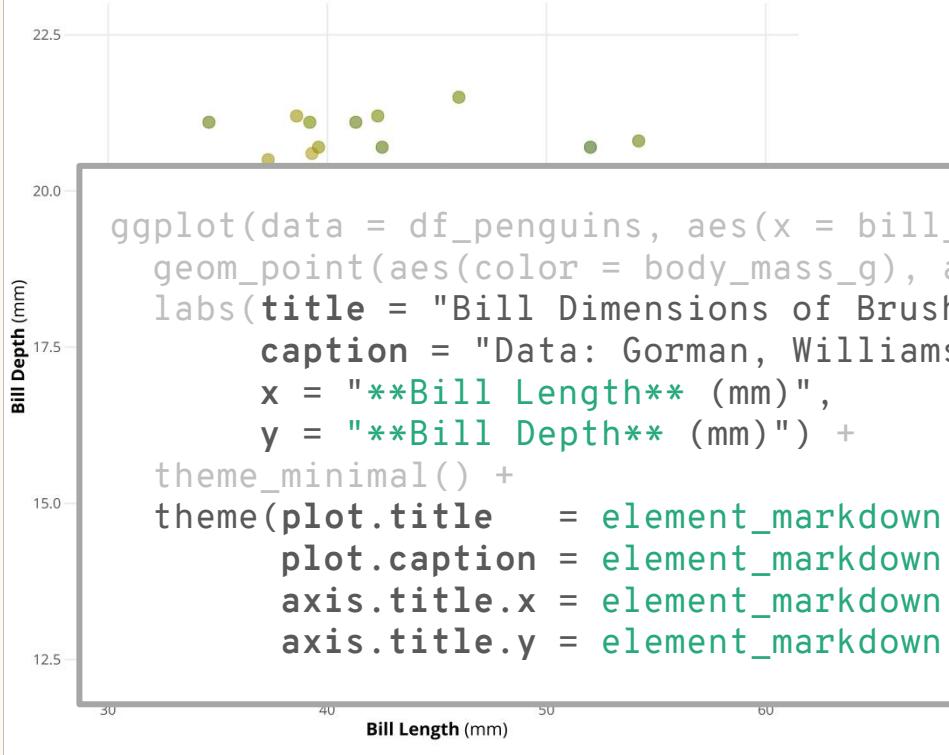
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Bill Dimensions of Brush-Tailed Penguins *Pygoscelis*

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Bill Dimensions of Brush-Tailed Penguins



Chats about Friends and their Past, Present, and Future Partners

Mentions of the main characters and their most popular partners in dialogues* during the ten seasons of Friends.



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*For each of the 67,373 dialogues in 236 episodes it was determined whether the two names occur in the same text.
The area and luminance of the squares is mapped to the number of overall mentions of the two names per season.

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Contribution to #TidyTuesday 2020/37

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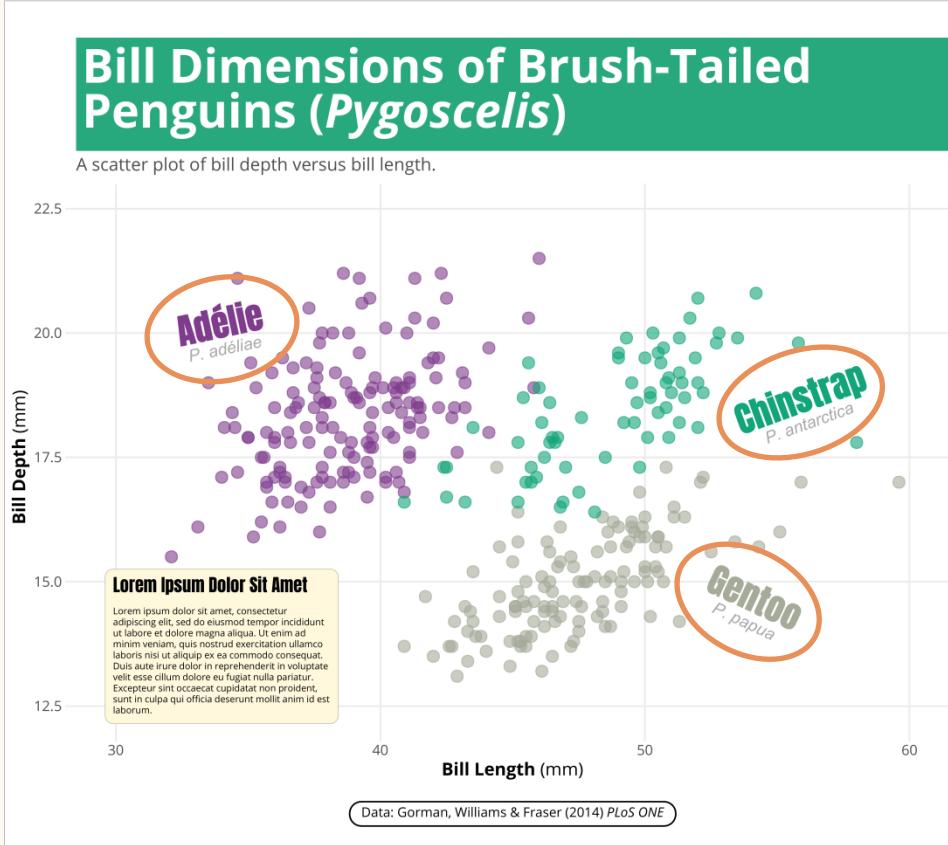
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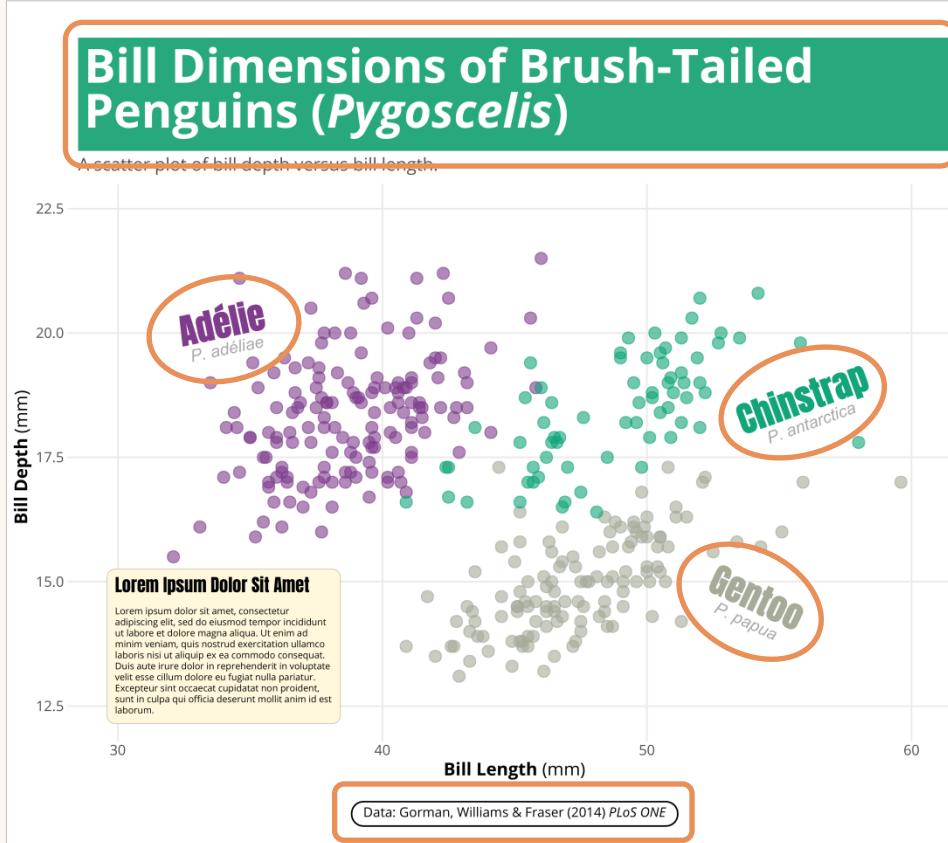
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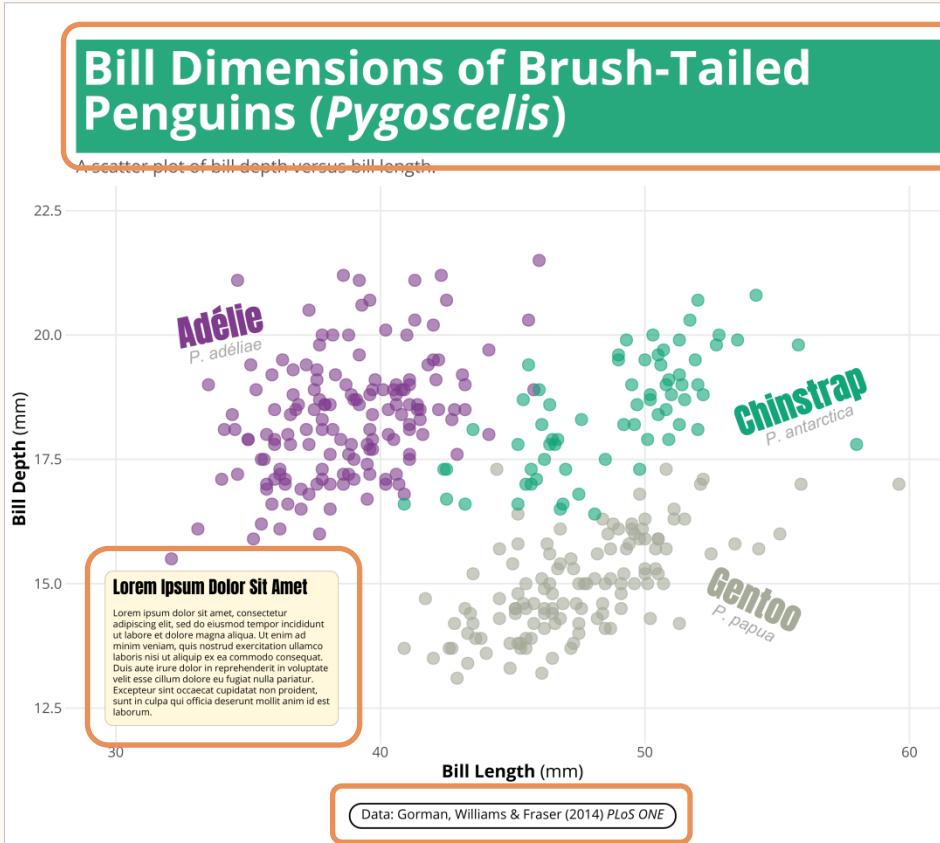
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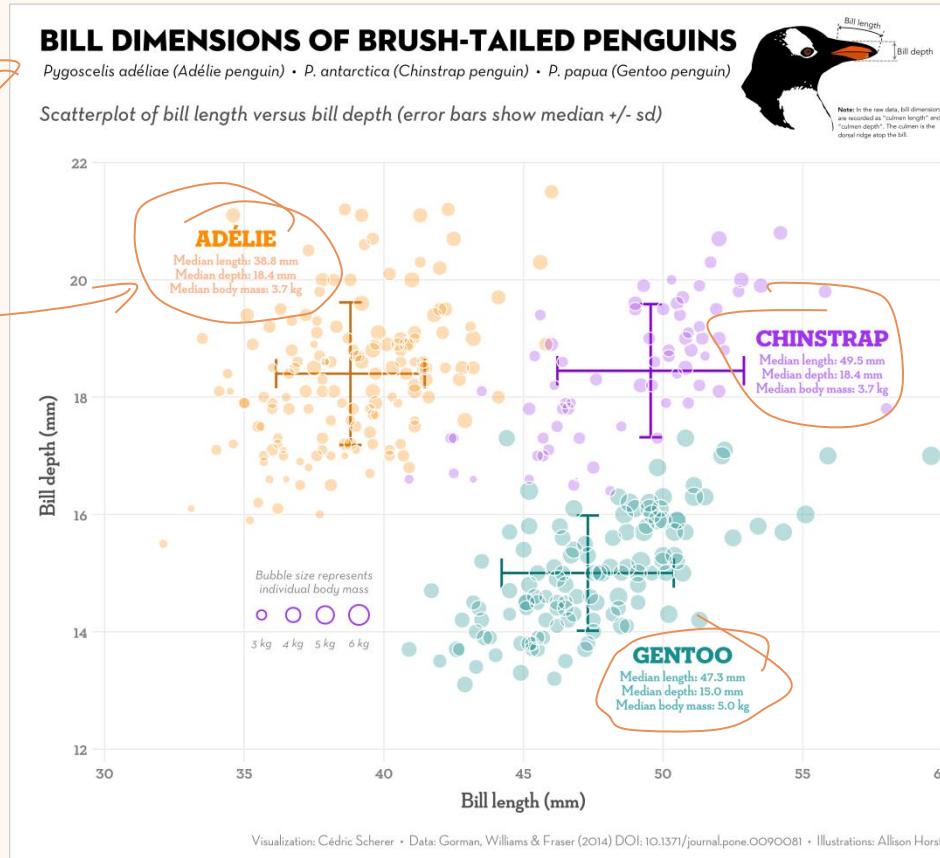
- formatted text boxes with word wrapping

`geom_textbox()`

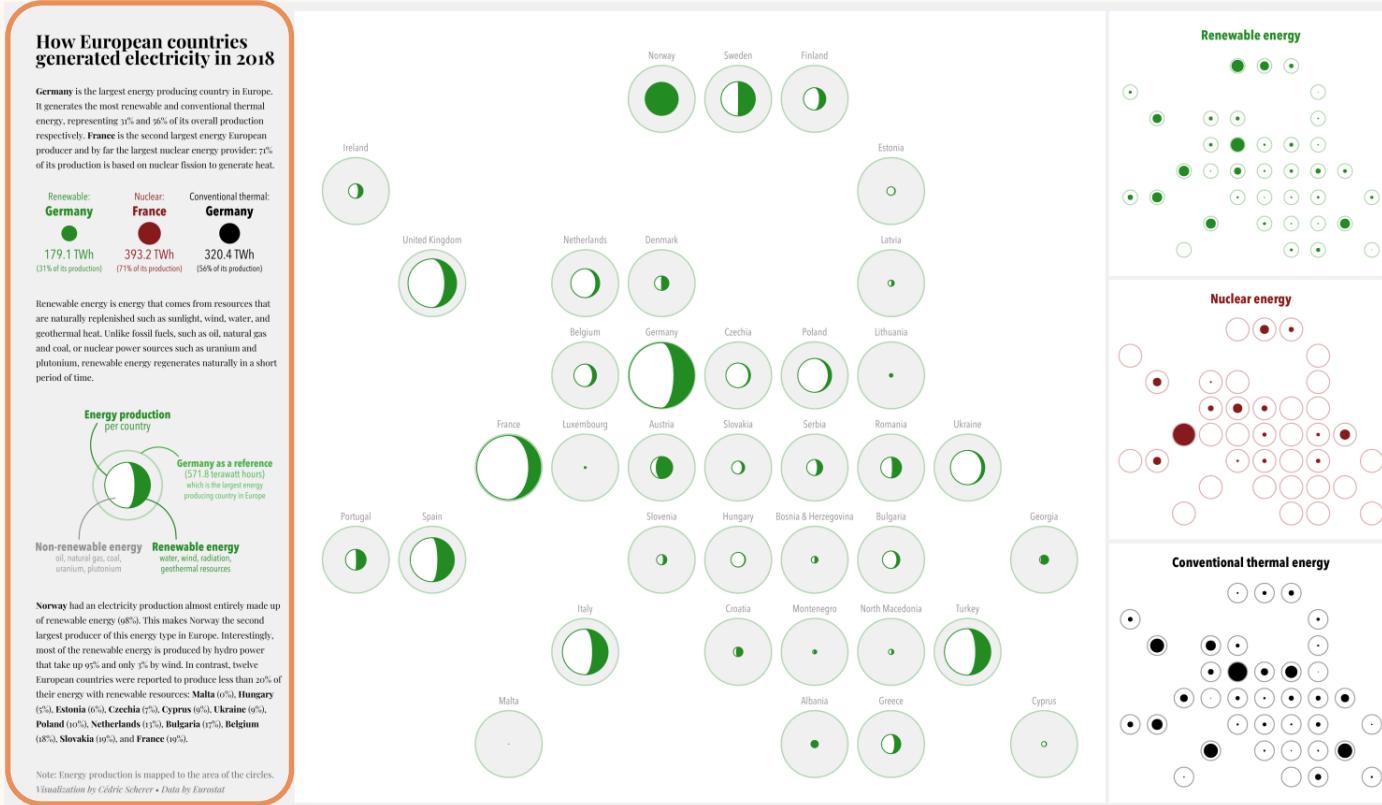
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{ggtext} Improved Text Rendering Support

Font Family
Font Size
Font Face
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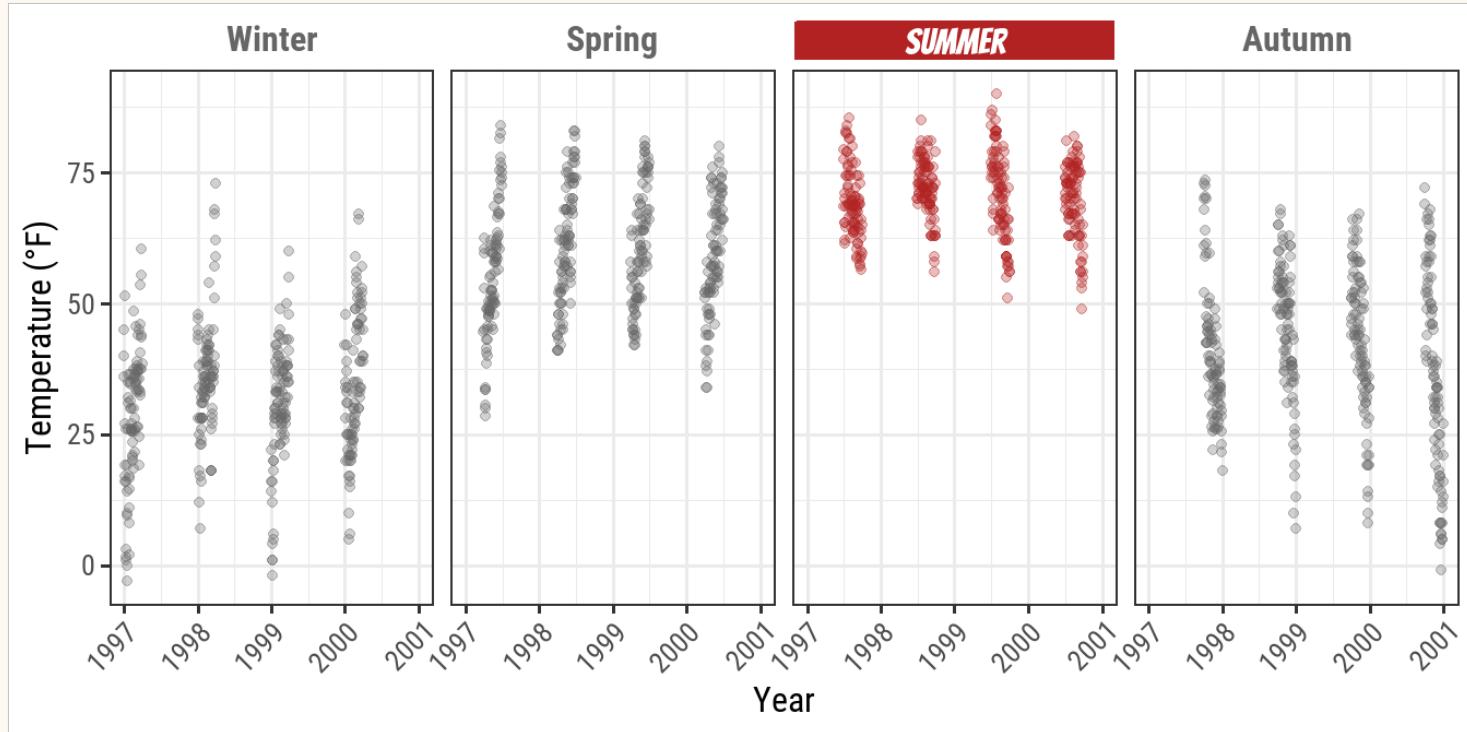


{ggtext} Improved Text Rendering Support



`geom_textbox() +
geom_richtext()`

{ggtext} Improved Text Rendering Support



→ stackoverflow.com/questions/60332202/conditionally-fill-ggtext-text-boxes-in-facet-wrap

→ cedricscherer.com/2019/08/05/a-ggplot2-tutorial-for-beautiful-plotting-in-r/#panels

custom_element_textbox_highlight()

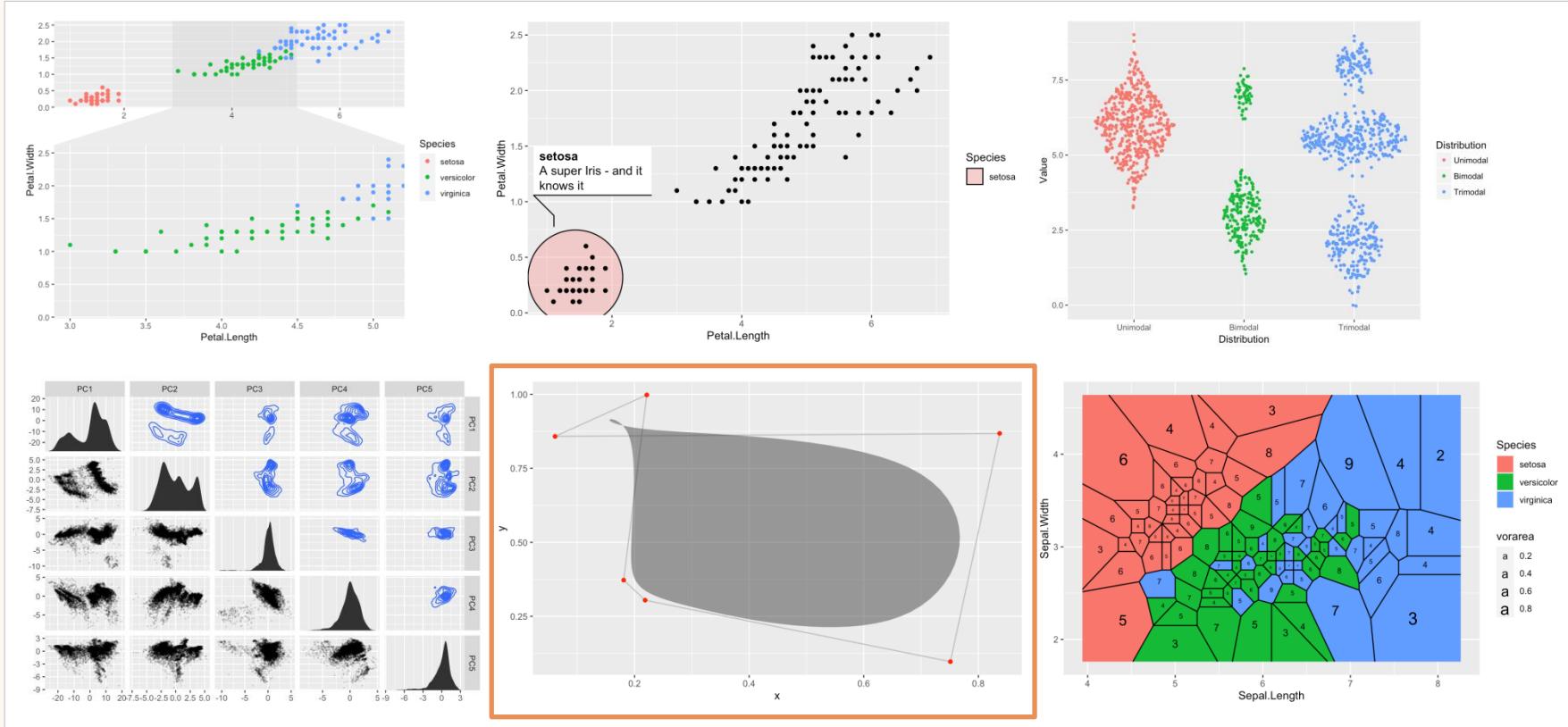
{ggforce}

Providing Missing Functionality to `ggplot2`



ggforce.data-imaginist.com

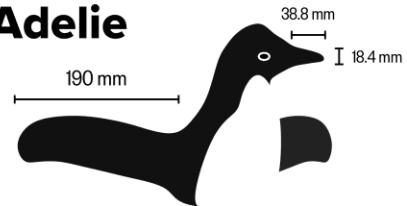
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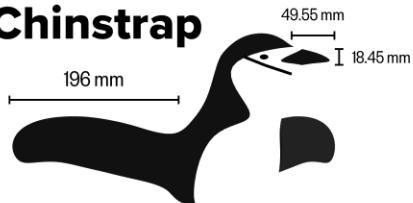
Palmer Penguins

Median length of flipper, length and depth of bill,
of 342 penguins recorded between 2007 and 2009

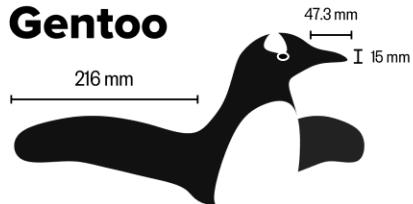
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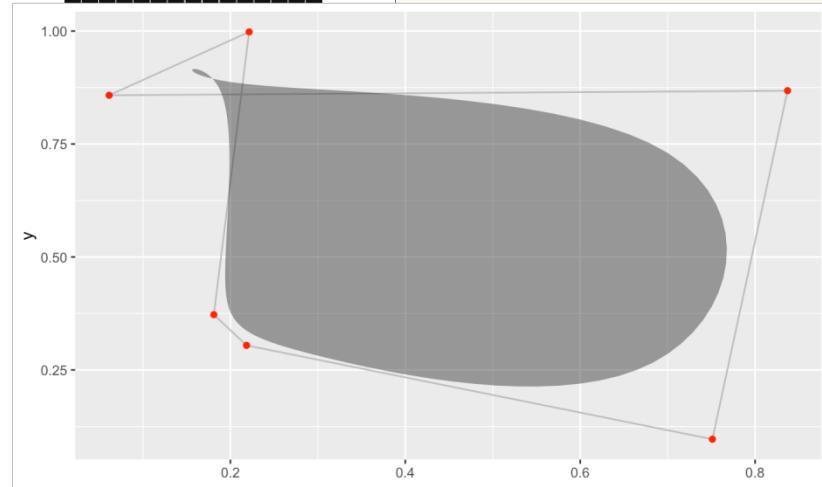
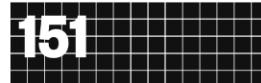
Chinstrap



Gentoo



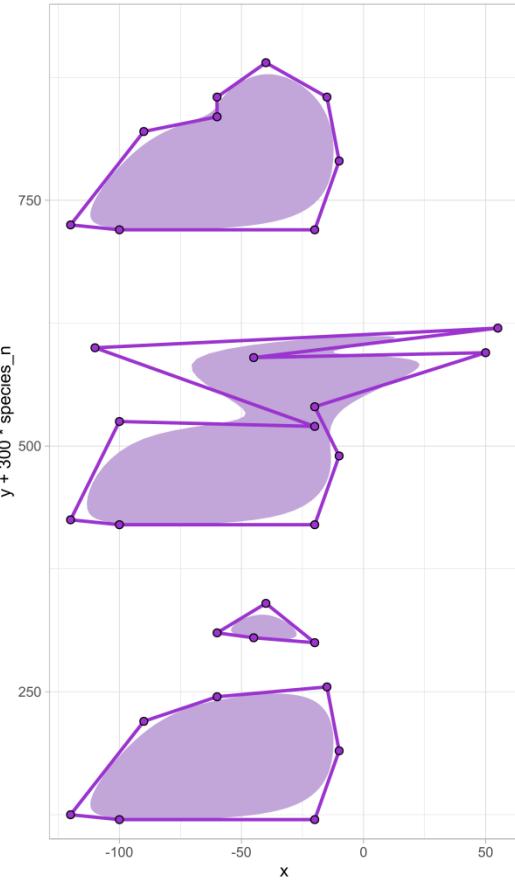
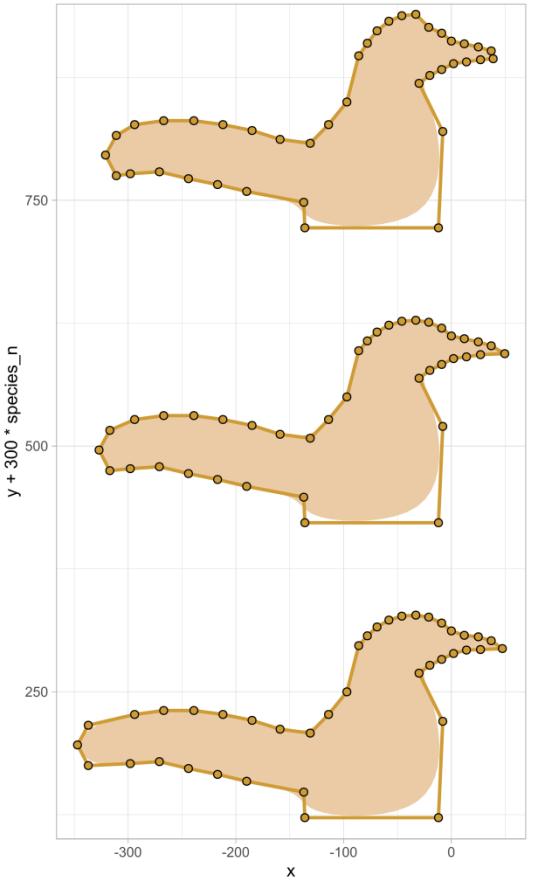
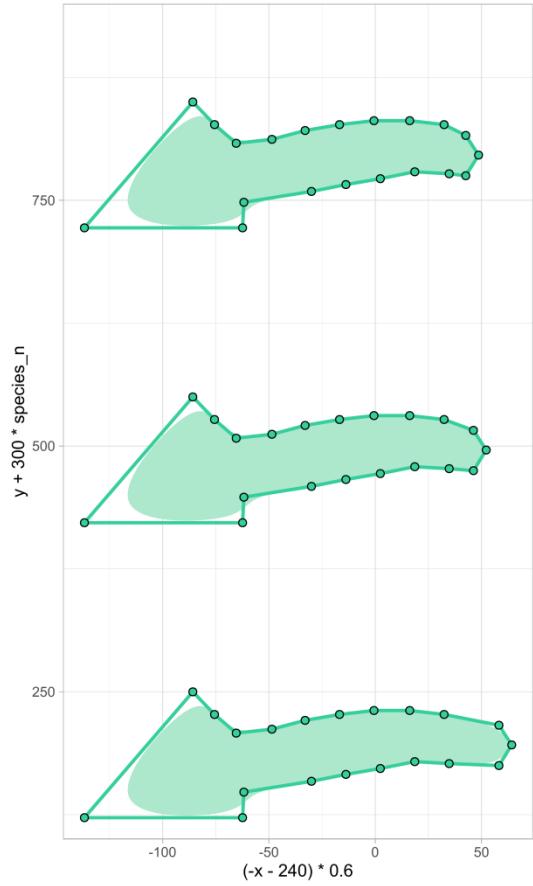
Recorded penguins by species



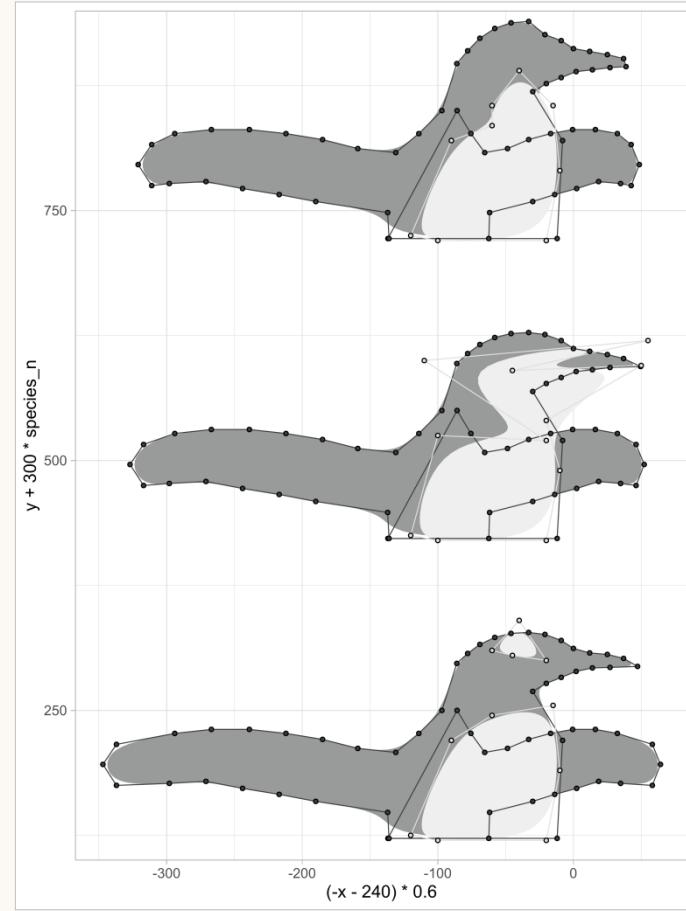
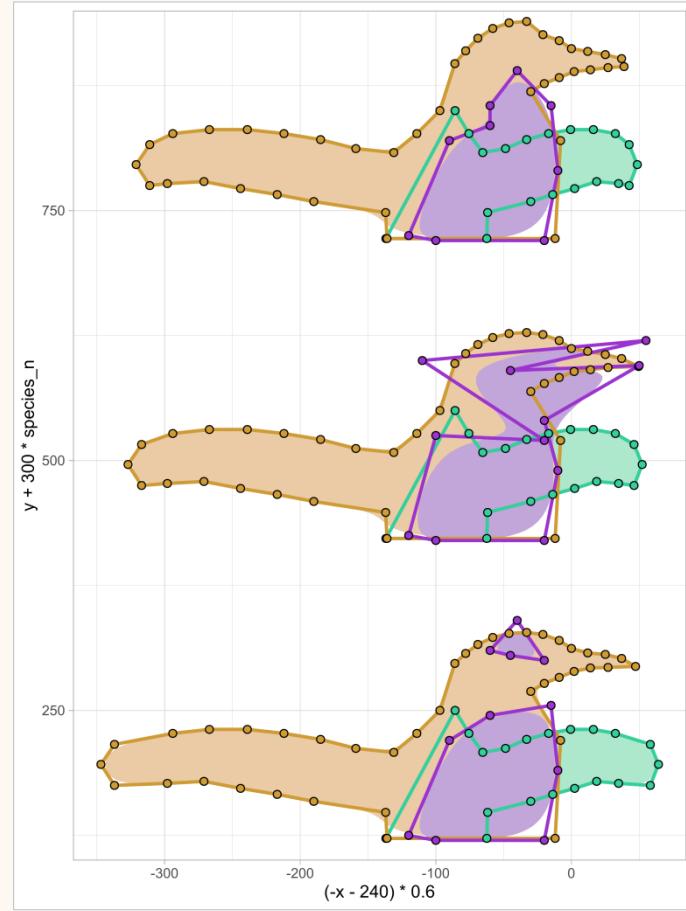
`geom_bspline_closed()`

Source: Dr. Kristen Gorman and the Palmer Station, Antarctica LTER | Graphic: Georgios Karamanis

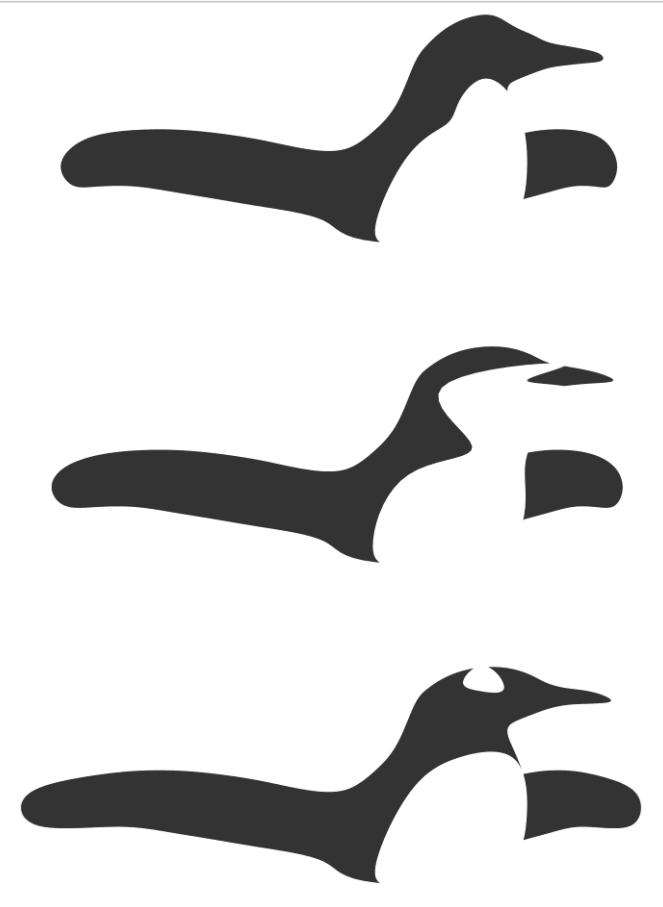
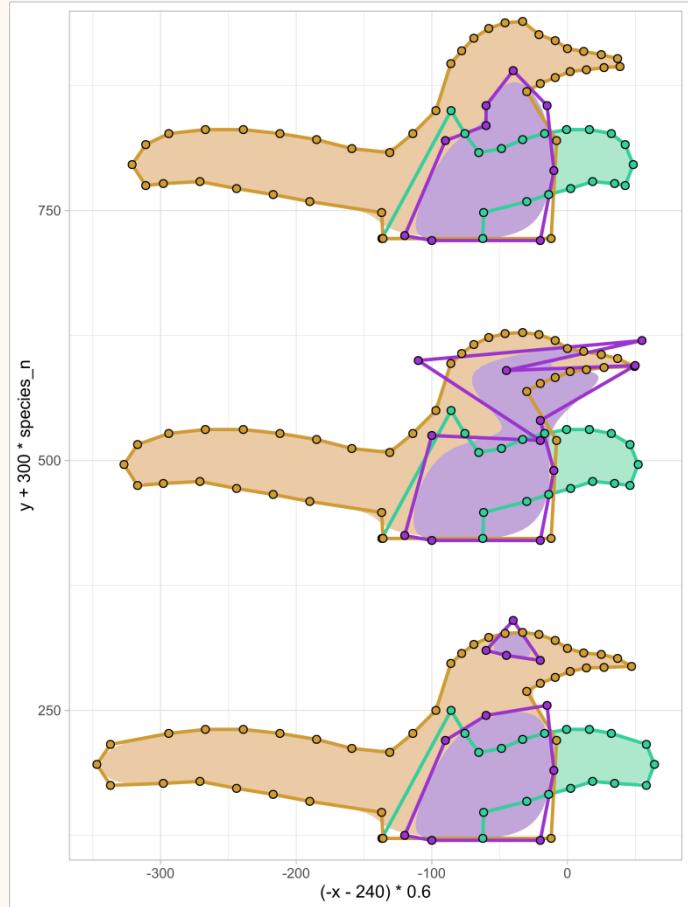
Georgios Karamanis, Contribution to #TidyTuesday 2020/31



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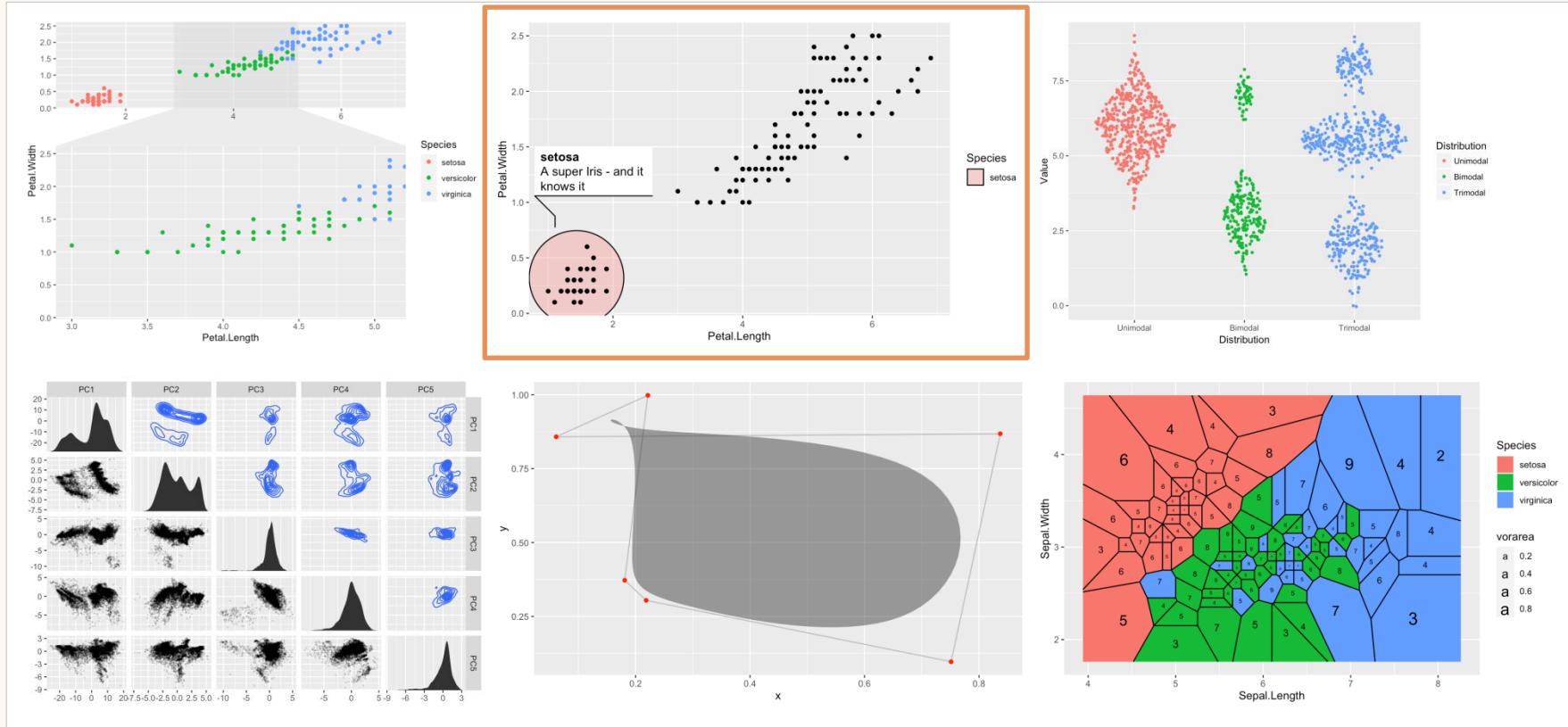


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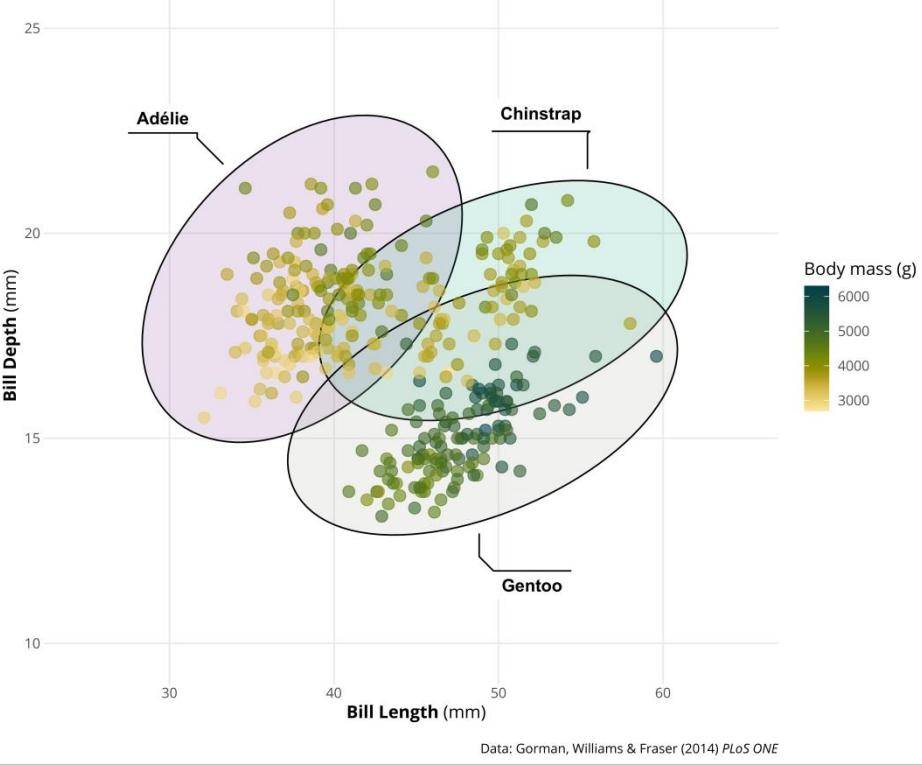
{ggforce} Providing Missing Functionality



{ggforce} Fancy Annotations

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A scatter plot of bill depth versus bill length.



`geom_mark_*`

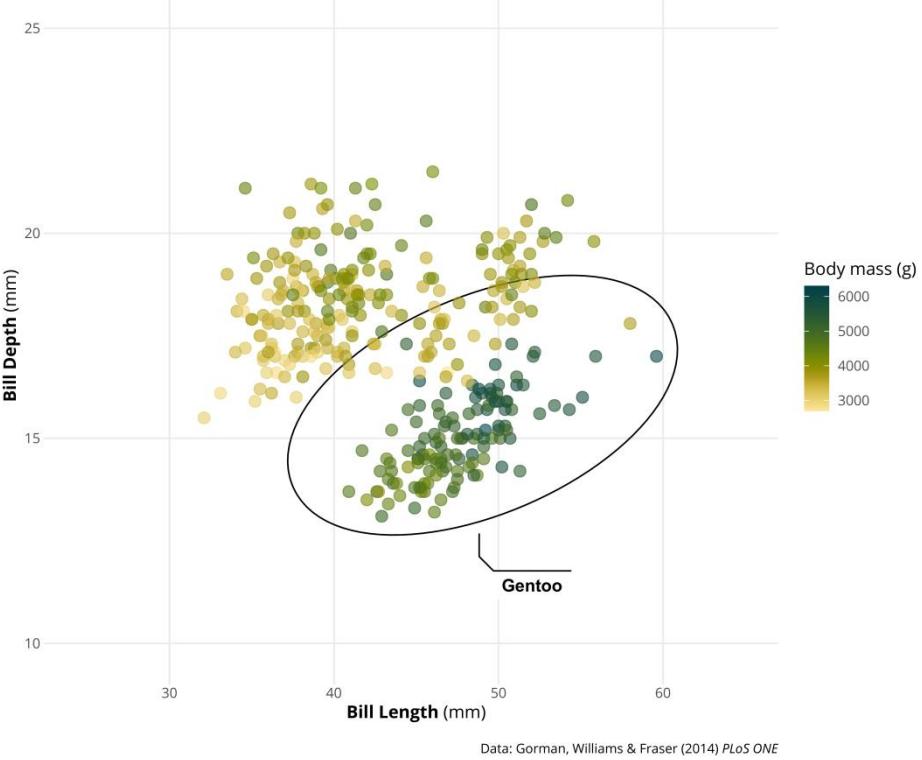
→ advanced labels for single or multiple points

```
geom_mark_ellipsoid(aes(fill = species, label = species))
```

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```
geom_mark_ellipsoid(aes(fill = species, label = species,  
filter = species == 'Gentoo'))
```

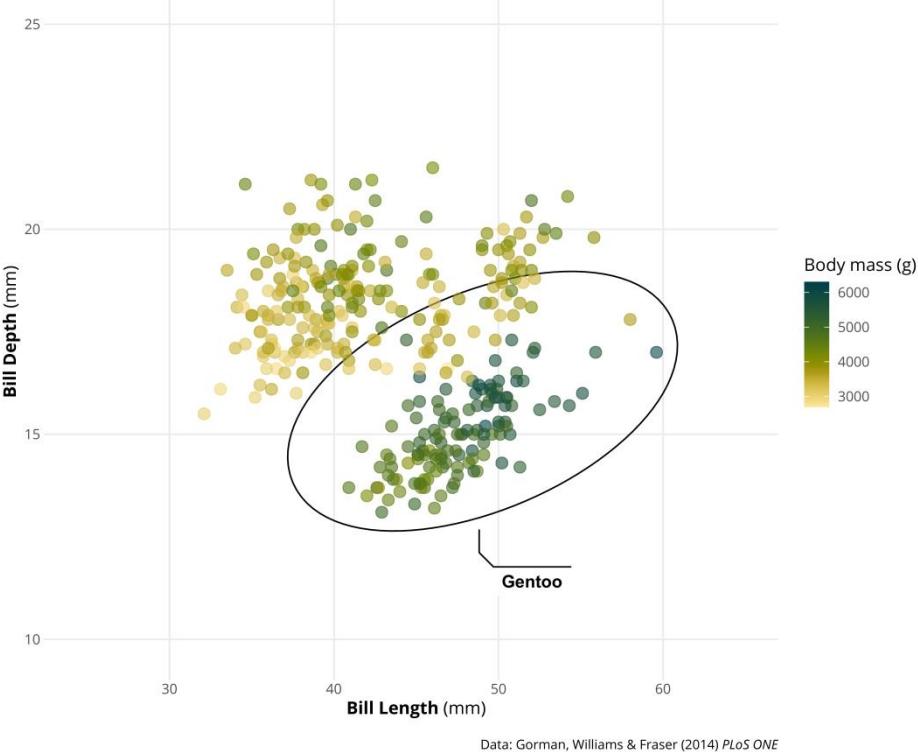
geom_mark_*

- advanced labels for single or multiple points
- show all groups or highlight interesting parts

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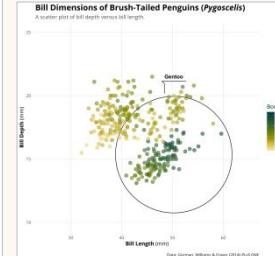
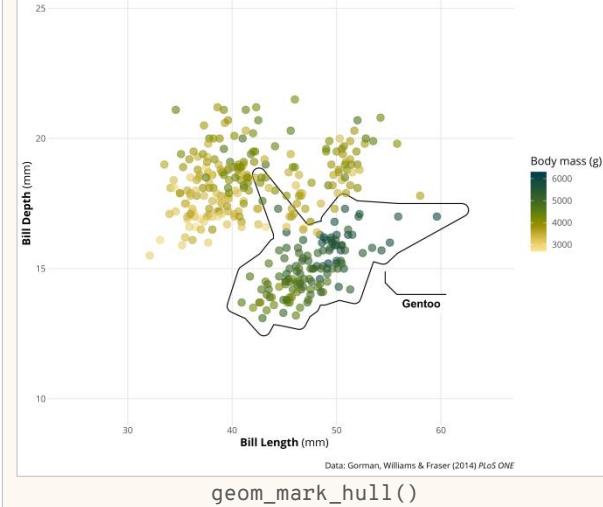
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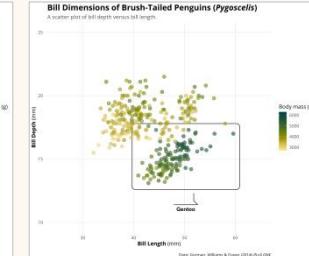


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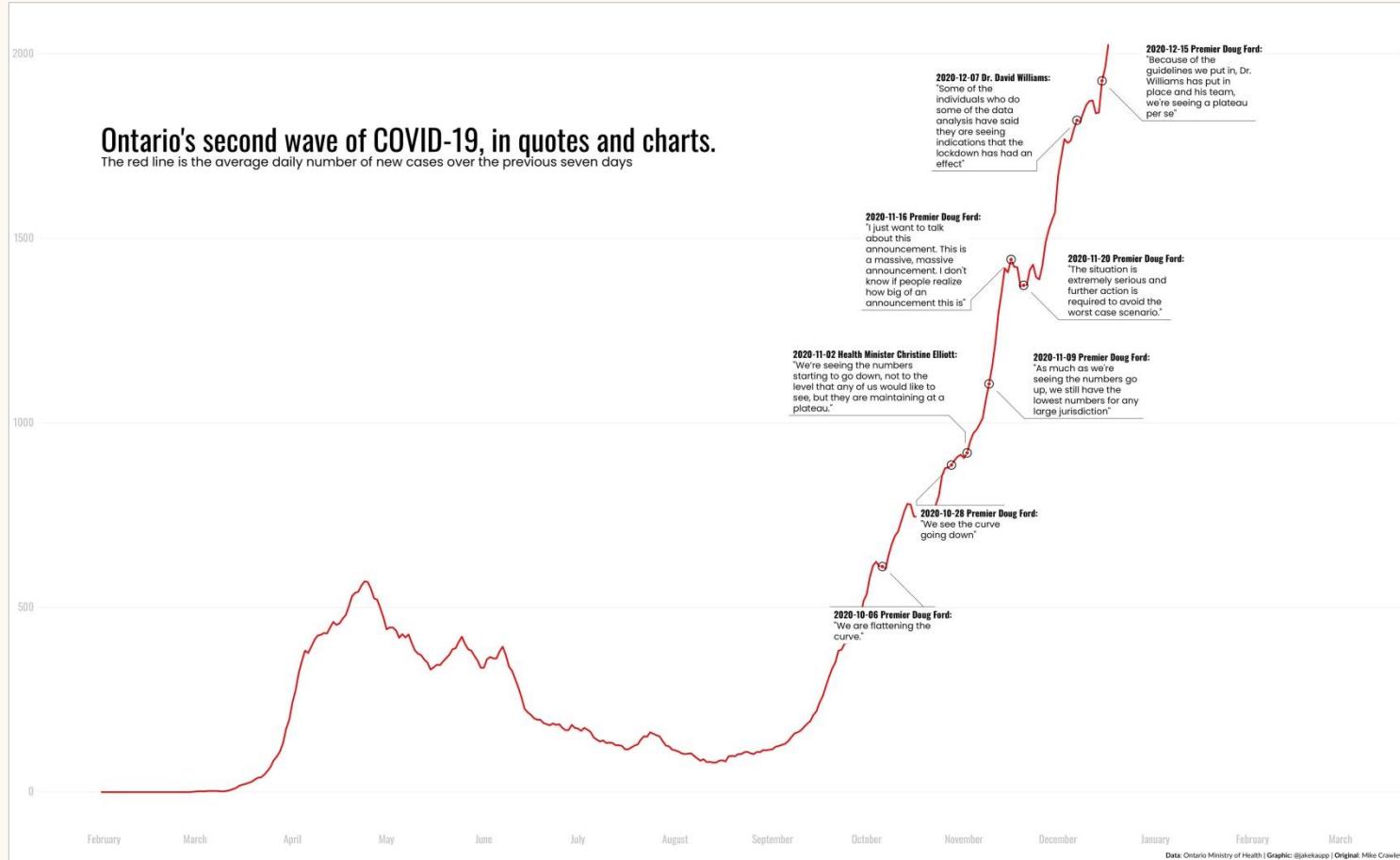
`geom_mark_circle()`



`geom_mark_rect()`

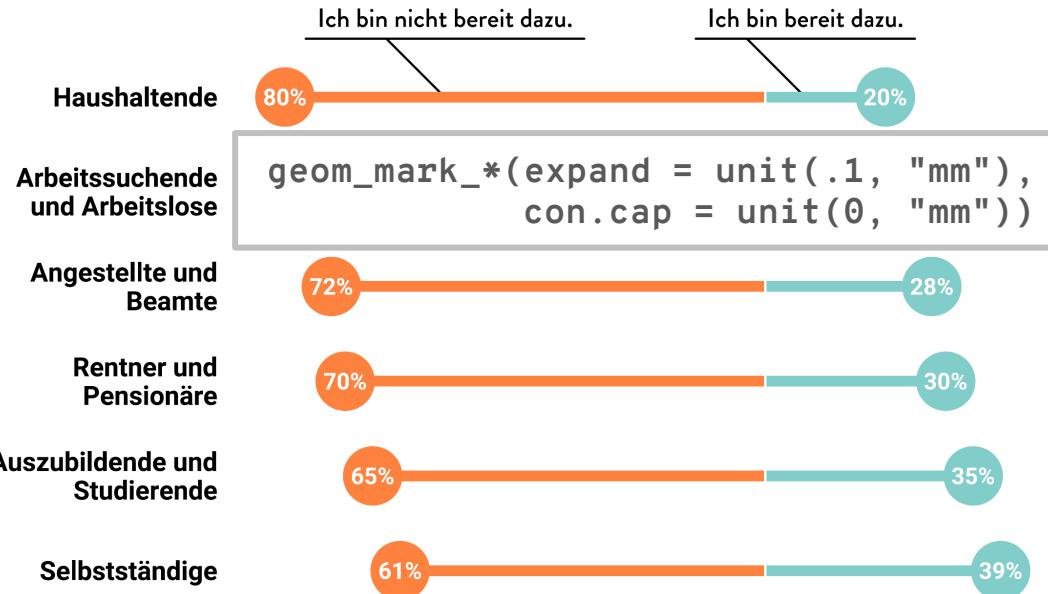
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`geom_mark_ellipsoid()`



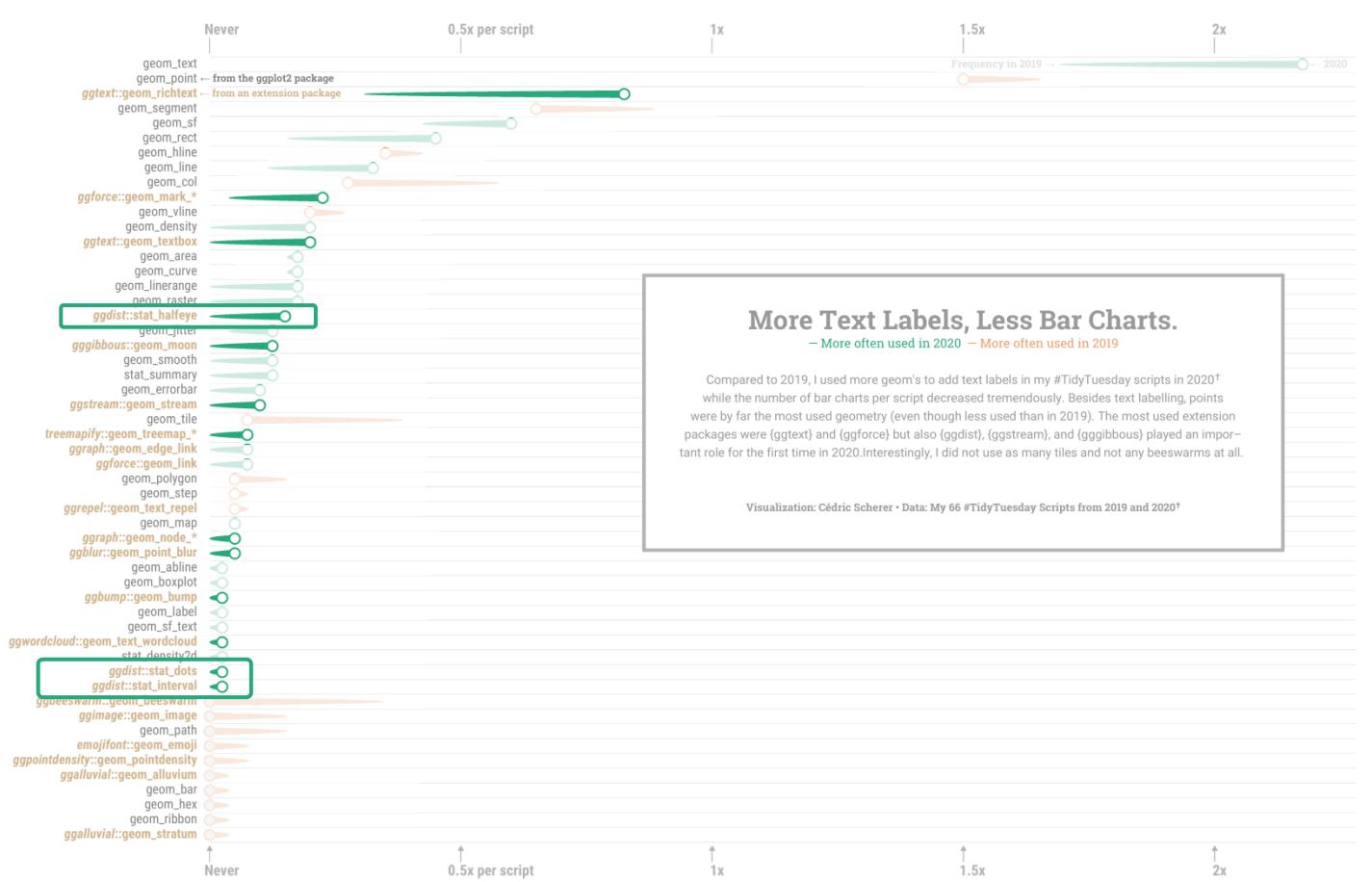
Jake Kaupp

Die Präsidentin der EU Ursula von der Leyen bittet "finanziell nicht notleidende Kunden" ihr Recht auf Rückerstattung aus Solidarität nicht in Anspruch zu nehmen.



Basierend auf 1057 Antworten auf eine Umfrage von KUENDIGUNG.ORG

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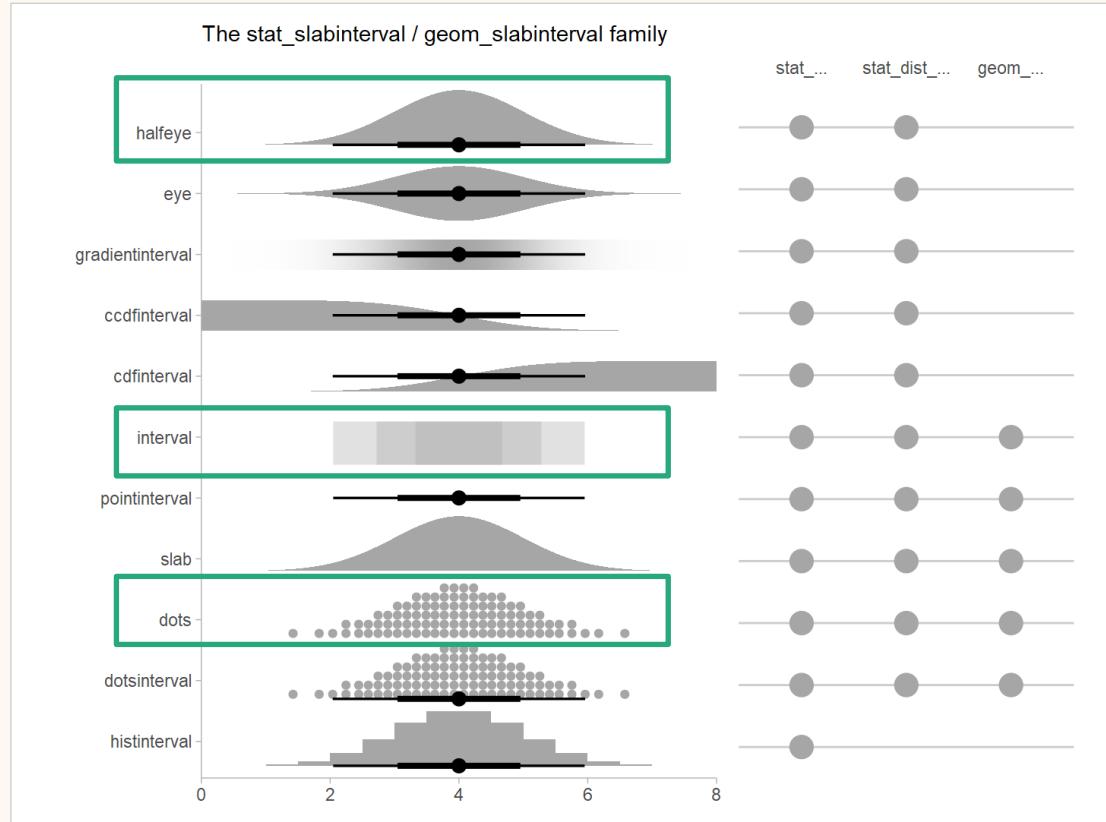
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{ggdist}

Visualizations of Distributions and Uncertainty

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Not my cup of coffee...

Each dot depicts one coffee bean rated by Coffee Quality Institute's trained reviewers. In addition, the multiple interval stripes show where 25%, 50%, 95%, and 100% of the beans fall along the rating gradient from 0 to 100 points. The rated coffee beans range from 59.8 points (Guatemala) to 89.9 (Ethiopia). Only countries of origin with 25 or more tested beans are shown. The red empty triangle marks the minimum rating, the black filled triangle indicates each country's median score.

Visualization by Cédric Scherer

Coffee stain: © paperwerk.



The coffee bean with the lowest rating has its origin in Guatemala.

△ 59.8 POINTS

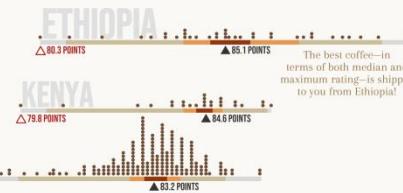
GUATEMALA

60 POINTS

70 POINTS

COLOMBIA
△ 72.8 POINTS

71.8 POINTS



JIGANDA
△ 80.5 POINTS
▲ 83.2 POINTS

COSTA RICA
△ 72.0 POINTS

80 POINTS

UNITED STATES
△ 73.7 POINTS
▲ 82.8 POINTS

stat_dots()

BRAZIL
△ 73.2 POINTS
▲ 82.4 POINTS

TANZANIA
△ 80.3 POINTS
▲ 82.2 POINTS

stat_interval()

HONDURAS
△ 69.2 POINTS
▲ 77.7 POINTS

MEXICO
△ 68.3 POINTS
▲ 81.9 POINTS

geom_text()
geom_point()

NICARAGUA
△ 63.1 POINTS

With 218 tested beans, Mexico is the country with the most reviews.

Contribution to #TidyTuesday 2020/28

COLOMBIA

△ 72.8 POINTS

KENYA

△ 79.8 POINTS

stat_dots()

stat_interval()

▲ 84.6 POINTS

geom_text()
geom_point()

△ 80.5 POINTS

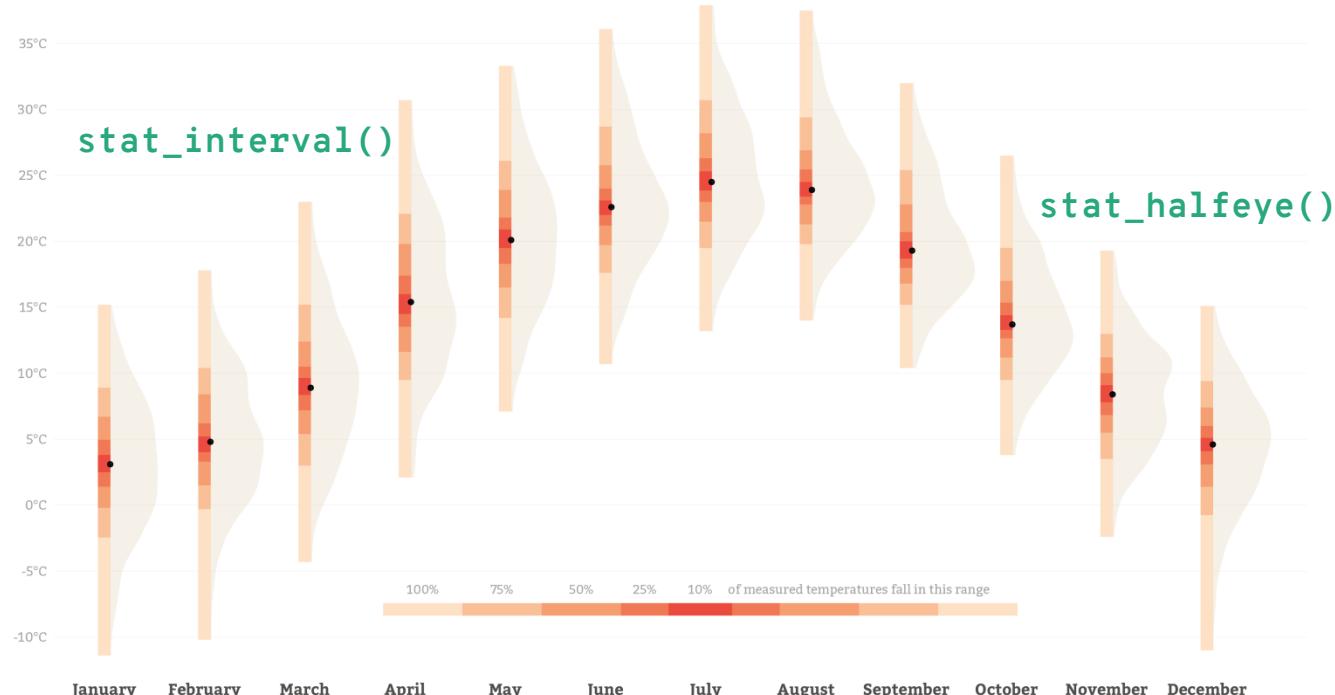
UGANDA

▲ 83.2 POINTS

Contribution to #TidyTuesday 2020/28

Daily Temperatures in Berlin, Germany

Range and distribution of maximum daily temperatures in Celsius per month from 2000 to 2018 measured in Berlin-Dahlem, Germany



Visualization by Cédric Scherer | Data: DWD (Deutscher Wetterdienst)

Contribution to the SWD Challenge September 2019



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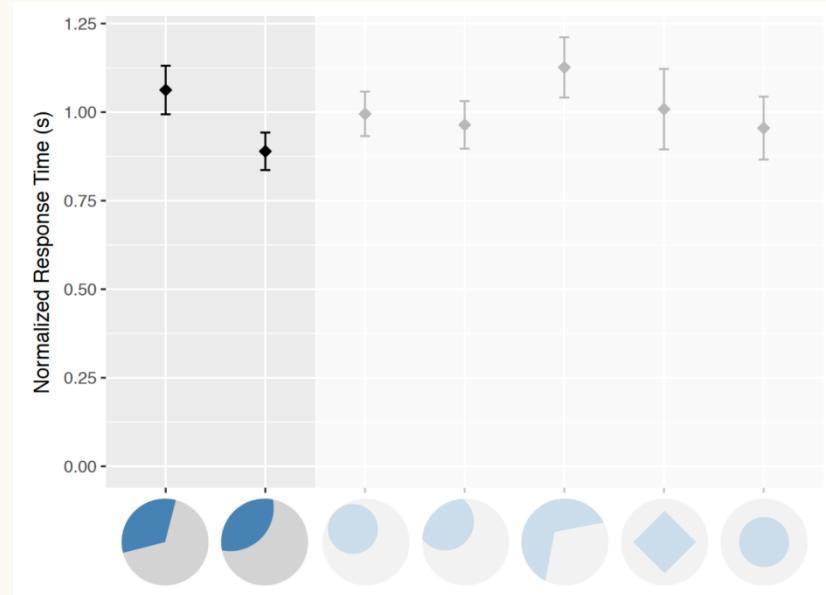
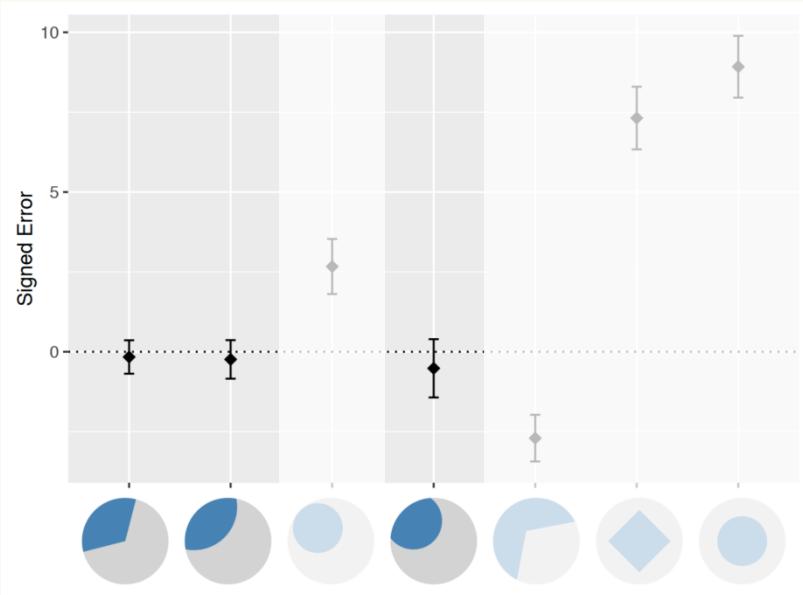
{gggibbous}

Moon charts for ggplot2



Circular Part-to-Whole Charts Using the Area Visual Cue

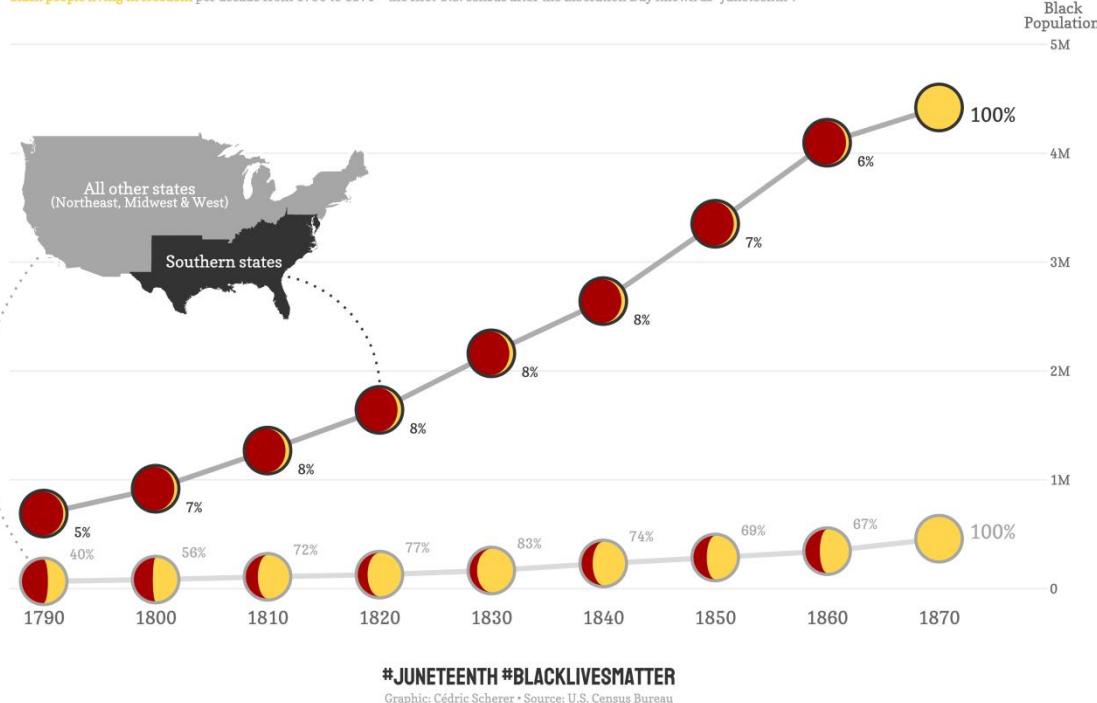
Robert Kosara
Tableau Research



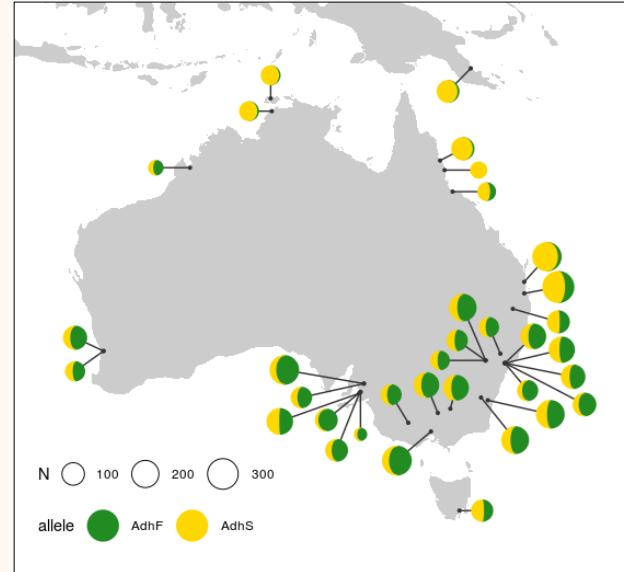
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{gggibbous} Moon charts

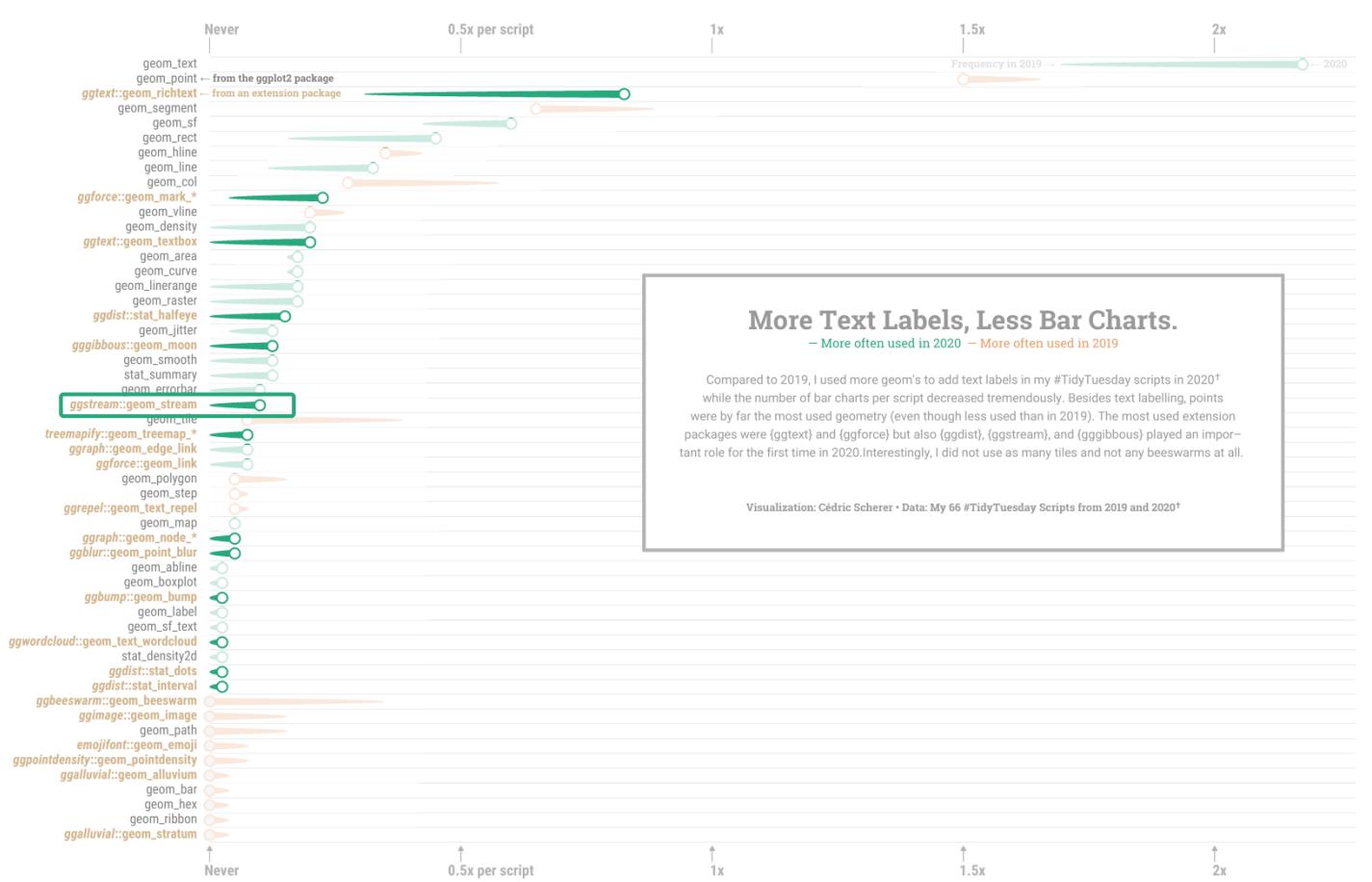
By 1680, property owners in the south of North America began establishing plantation farms for cash crops like tobacco, cotton, and sugar cane—enterprises that required increasing amounts of labor. To meet the need, wealthy planters became slave traders and imported ever more individuals to the colonies, the vast majority from West Africa. While the “Emancipation Proclamation” was made law as of 1863, slave owners in the South, namely Texas, still maintained slavery until June 19th 1865 when Union soldiers were able to enforce the law abolishing slavery in the region. The graphic below shows the share of **black people in slavery**, most of them enslaved in the Southern states, and **black people living in freedom** per decade from 1790 to 1870—the first U.S. census after the Liberation Day known as “Juneteenth”.



Contribution to #TidyTuesday 2020/25



Package example
(github.com/mnfram/gggibbous)



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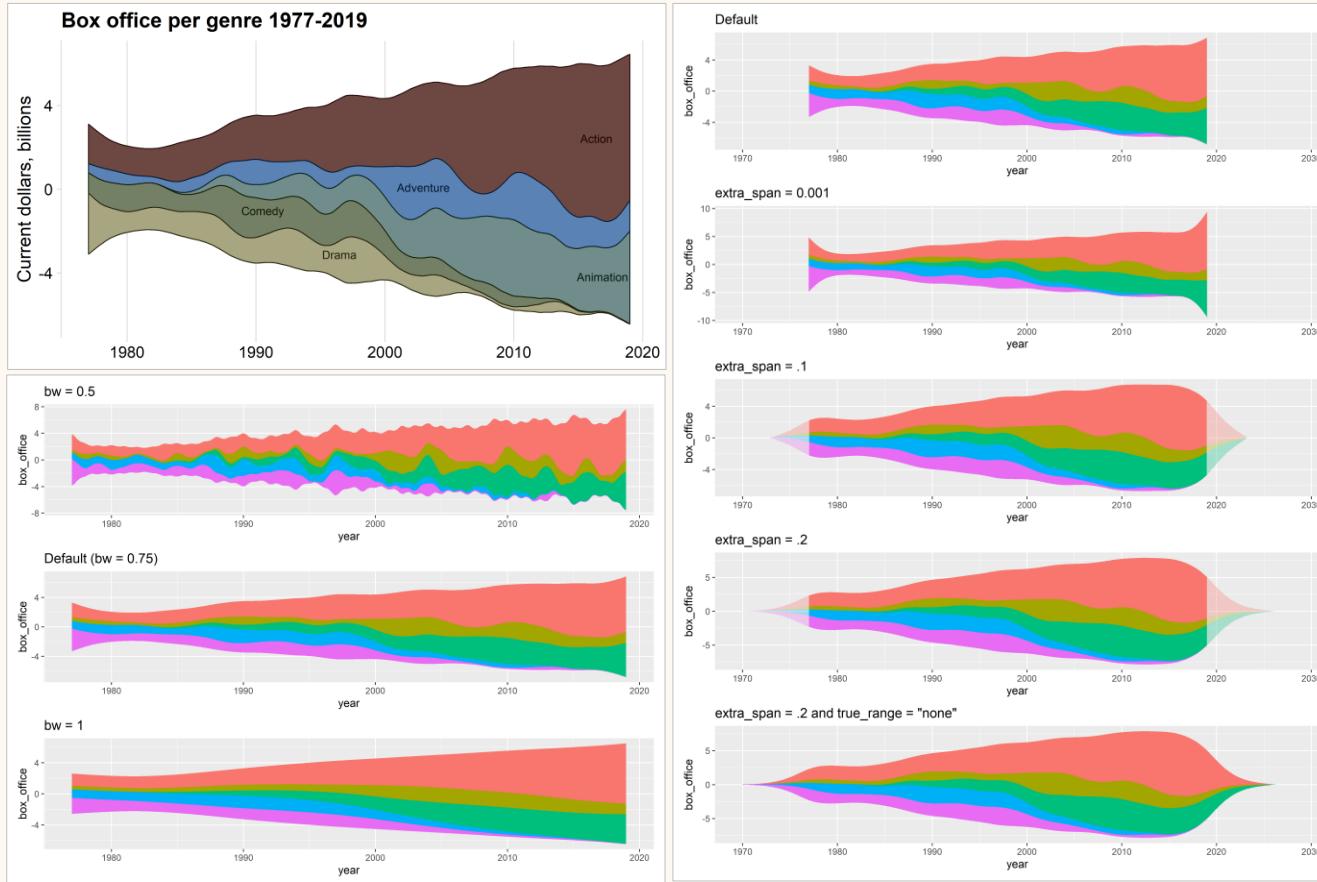
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{ggstream}

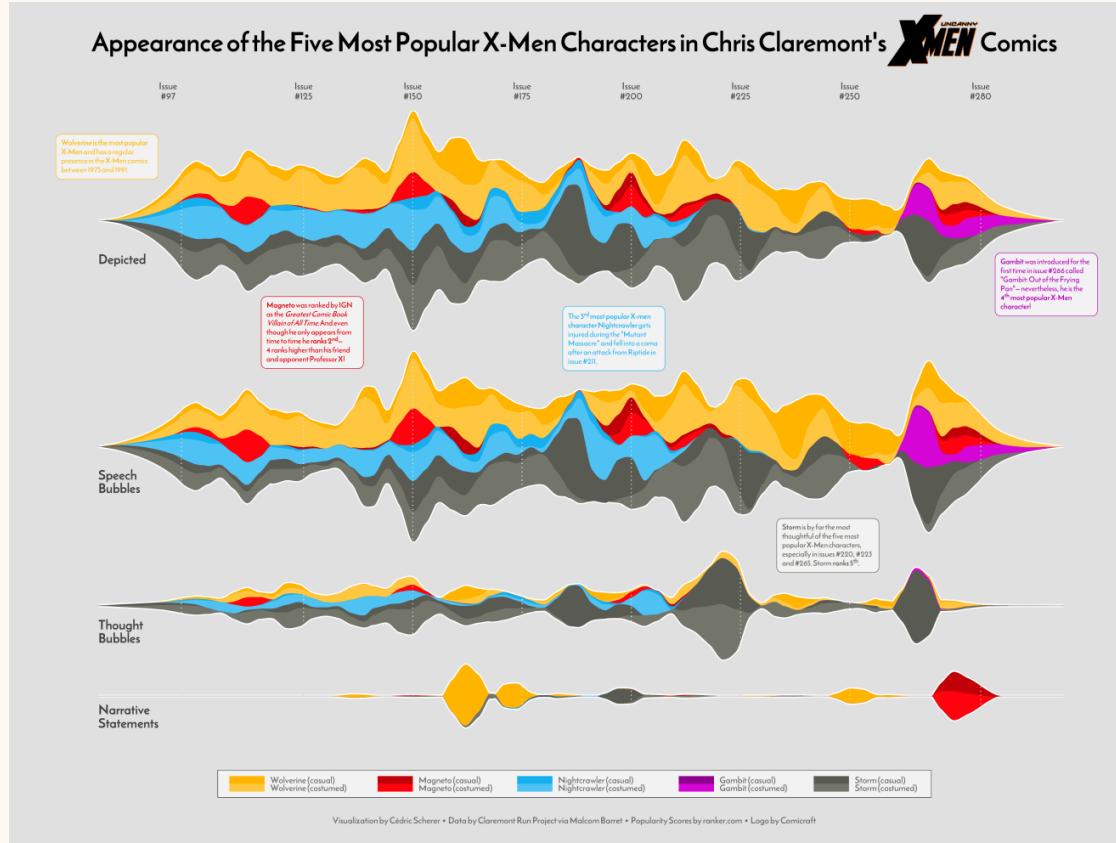
Make streamplots with ggplot2

{ggstream} Streamgraphs



Package examples
(github.com/davidsjoberg/ggstream)

{ggstream} Streamgraphs



My Contribution to #TidyTuesday 2020/27

{ggplot2}

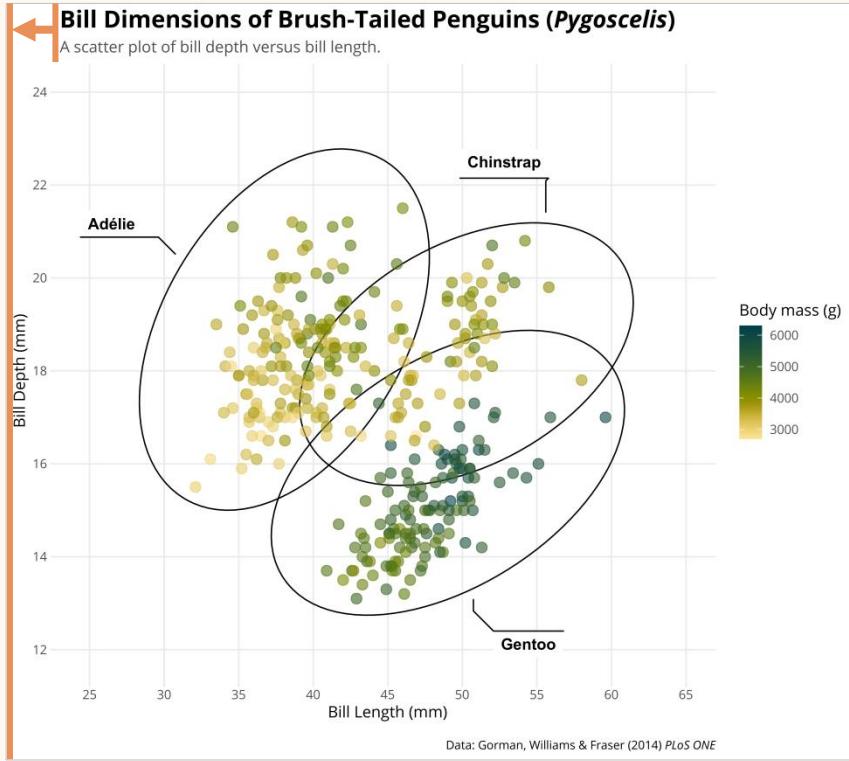
Details You May Not Know Yet
(or have never thought about)



ggplot2.tidyverse.org

Left-Aligned Title?

```
theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0))
```



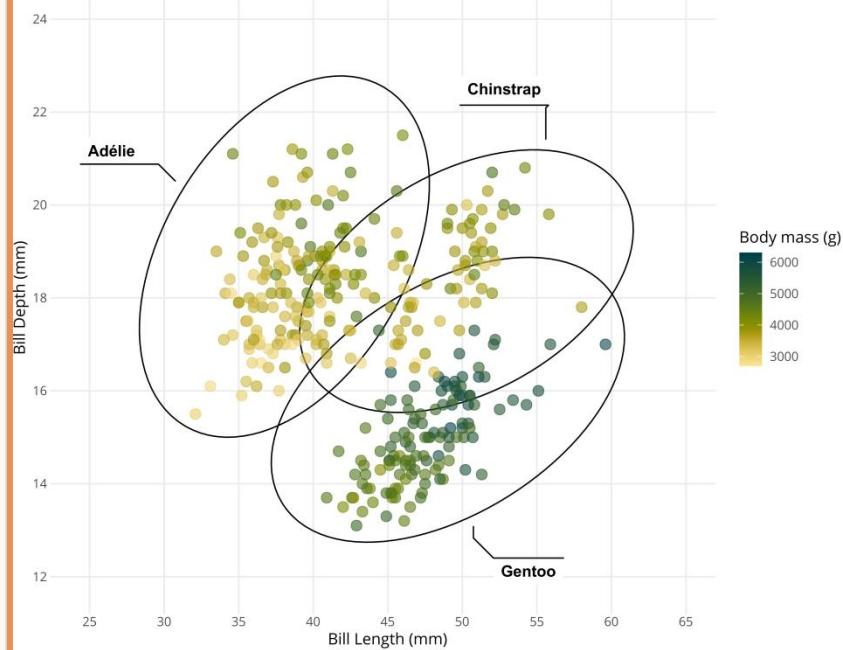
Left-Aligned Title

```
theme(plot.title.position = 'panel')
```

Default

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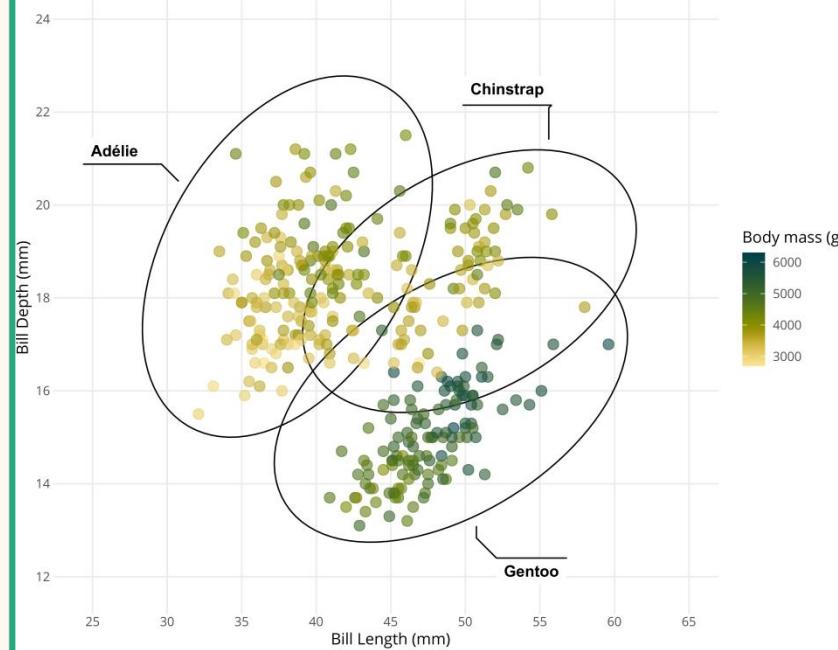
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Better

```
theme(plot.title.position = 'plot')
```

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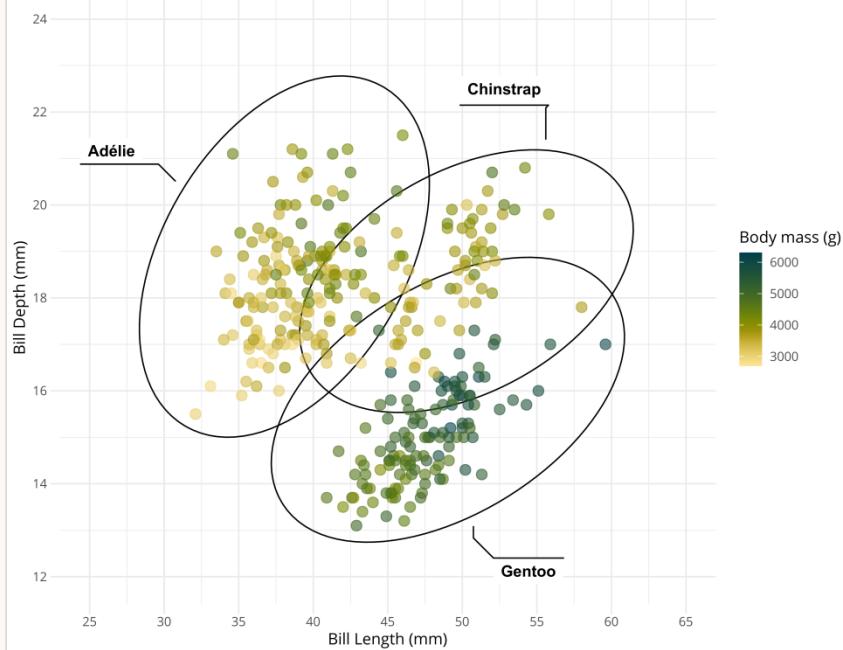
Right-Aligned Caption

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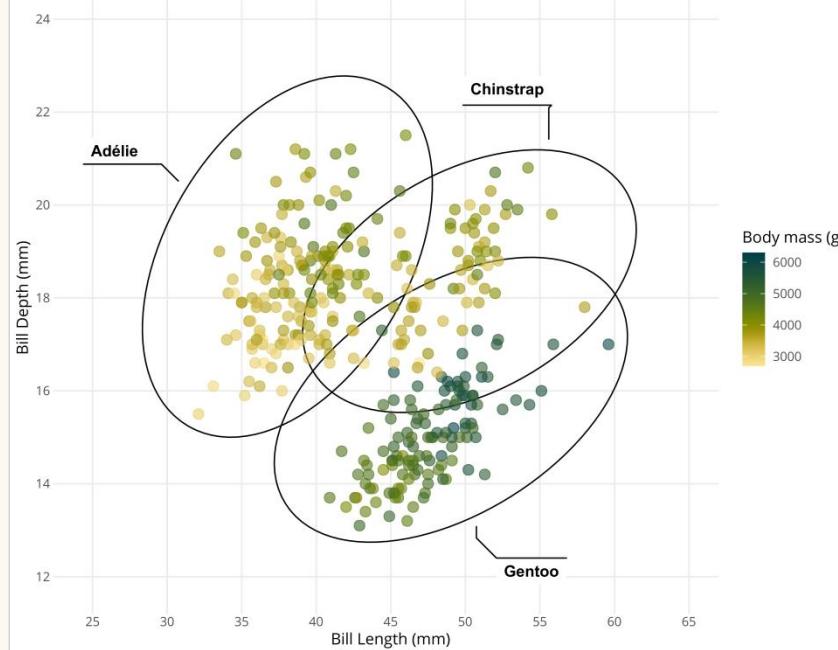
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Better (?)

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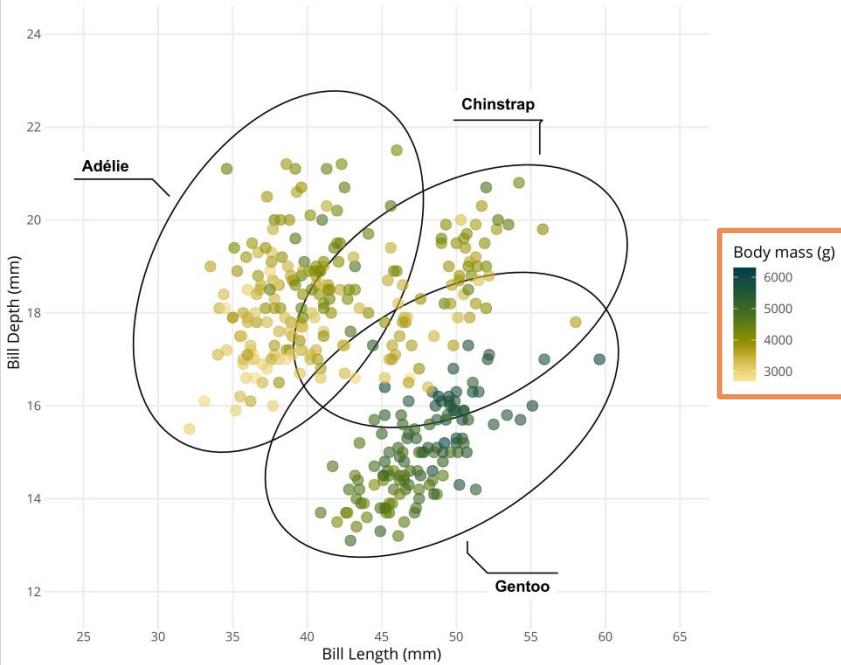
Legend Design

theme(legend.position = 'right')

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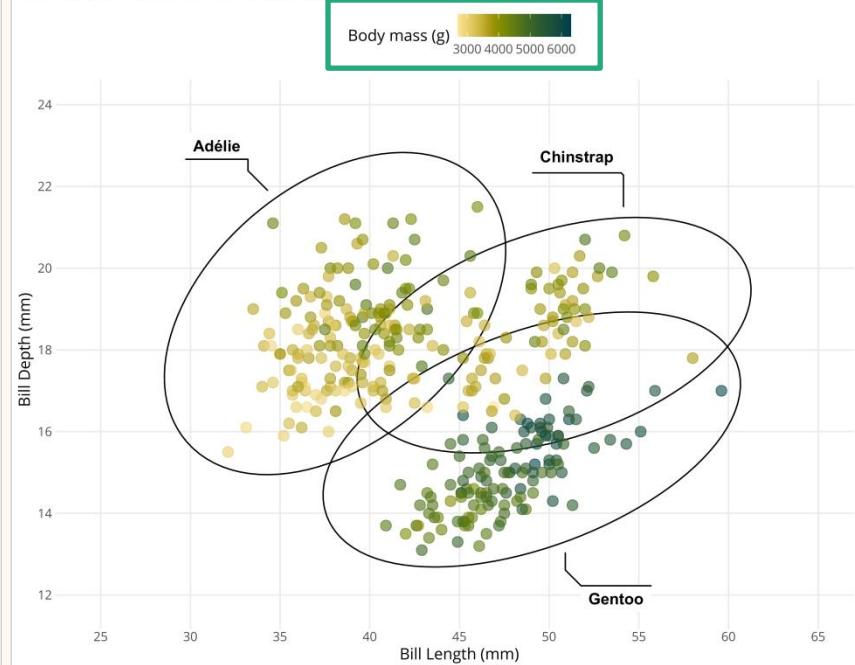


Well...

theme(legend.position = 'top')

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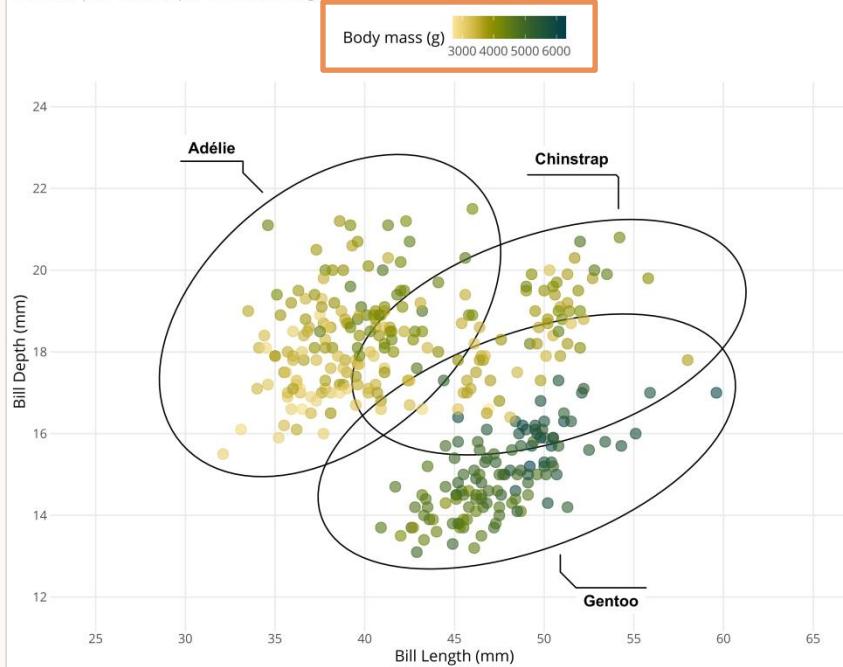
Legend Design

Default

```
guides(color = guide_colorbar(title.position = 'top', title.hjust = .5,
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```

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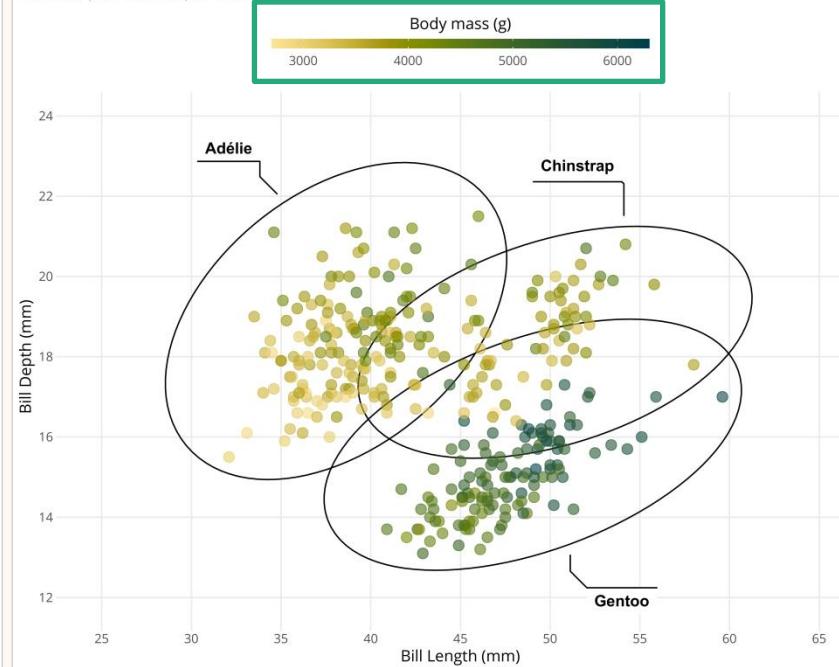


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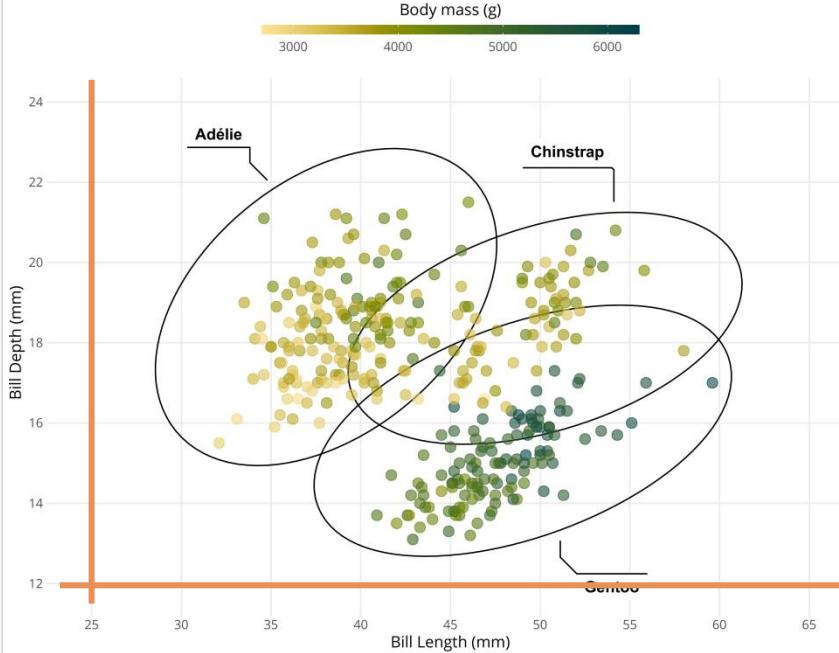
Limit Expansion

`coord_cartesian(expand = TRUE)`

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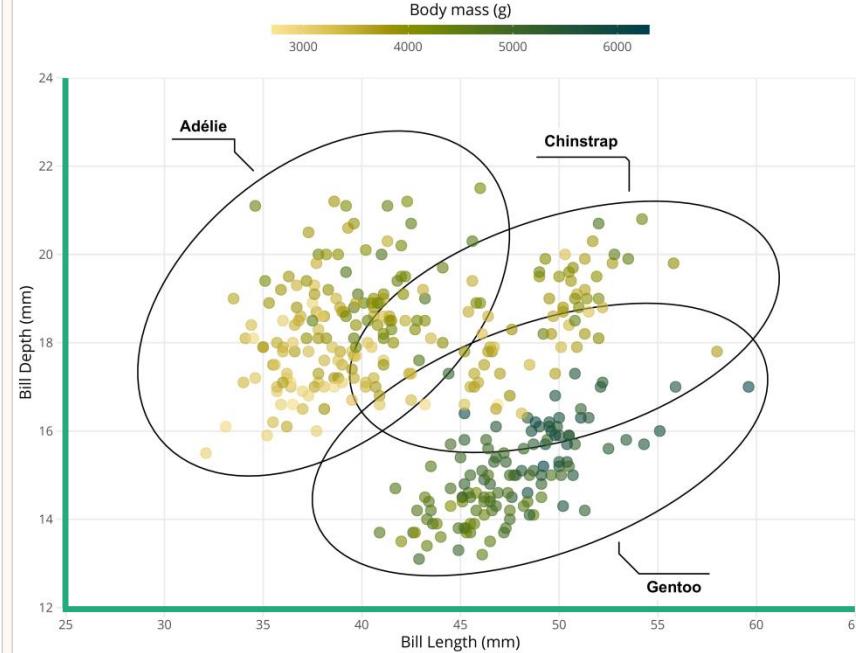


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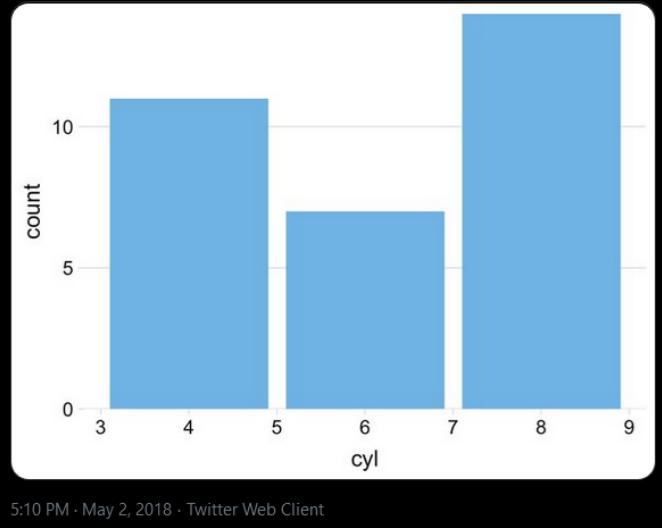
Geeky Details



Claus Wilke
@ClausWilke

Replies to @thomas85 and @hrbrmstr

This kind of stuff just really gets me. One of the main reasons I was motivated to add clip = "off" is plots like the attached, which look terrible in my opinion.



5:10 PM · May 2, 2018 · Twitter Web Client



gvdr @ipnosimmia · May 2, 2018

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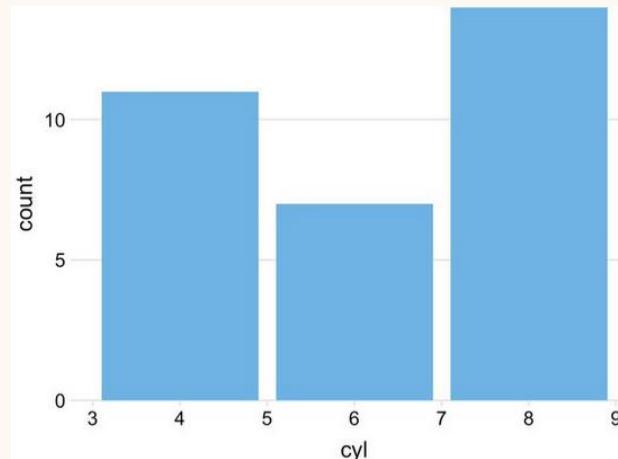
I must admit my limits. I can't see any difference between incorrect and correct. May I ask you to spell it out? (here to learn!)



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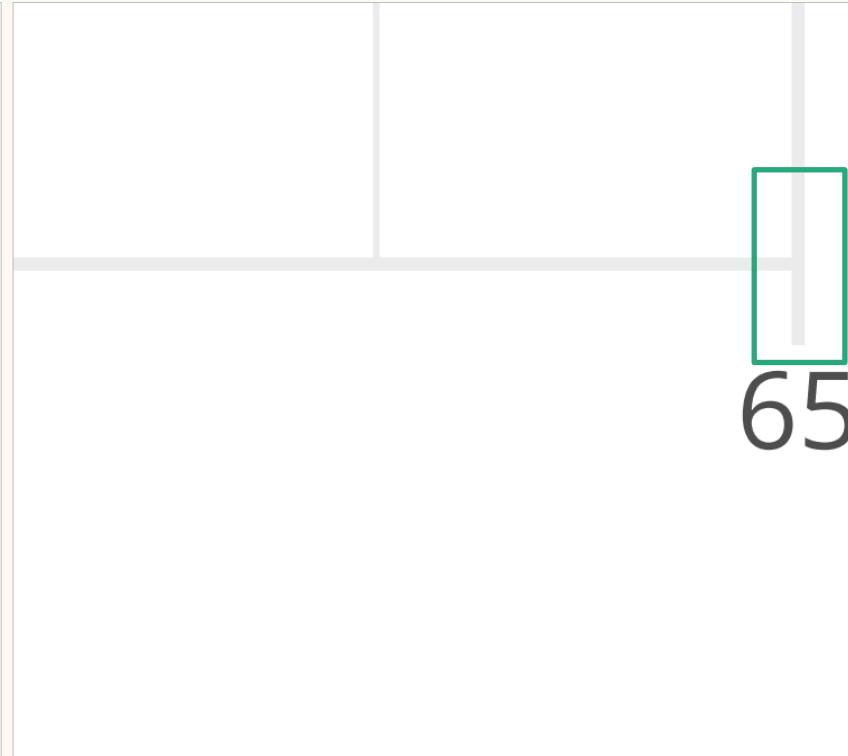
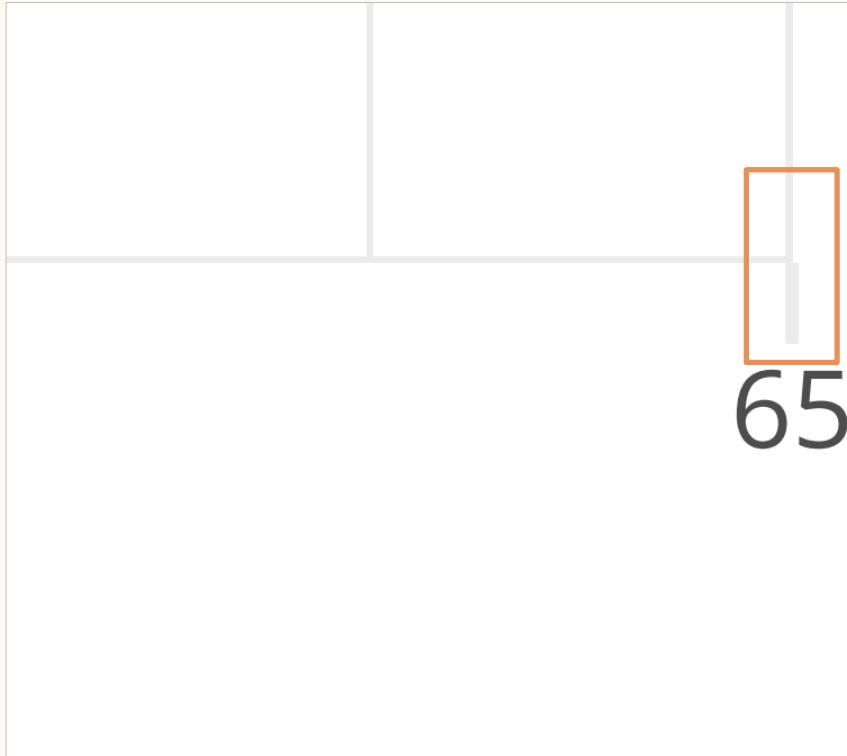
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`coord_cartesian(clip = 'on')`

Default

Without

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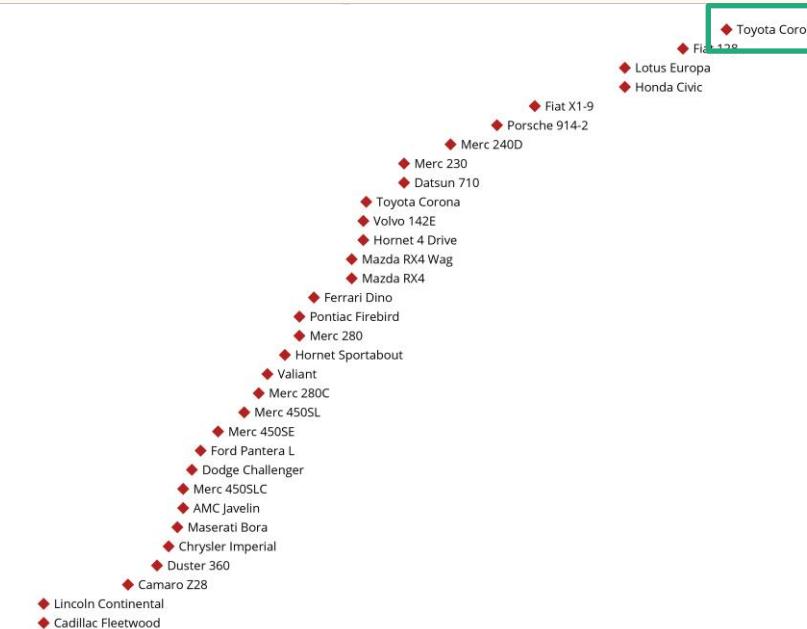
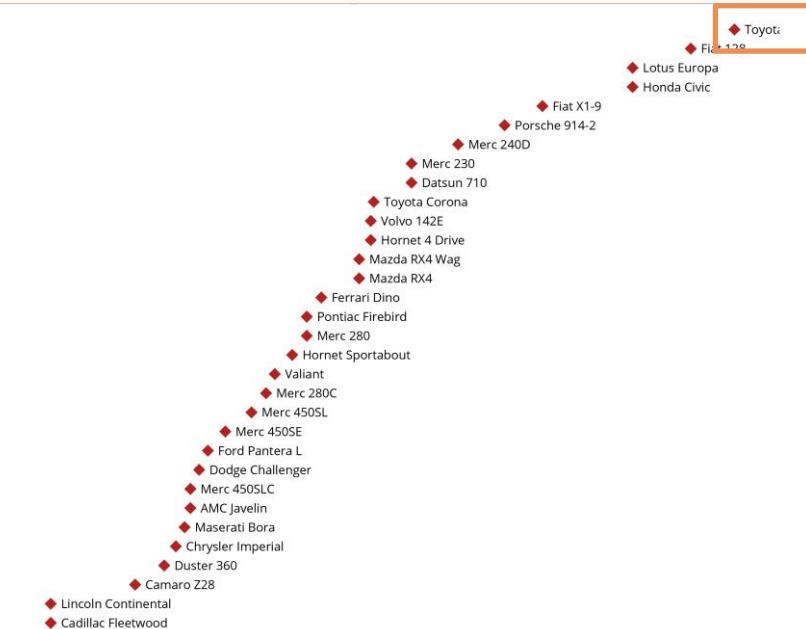
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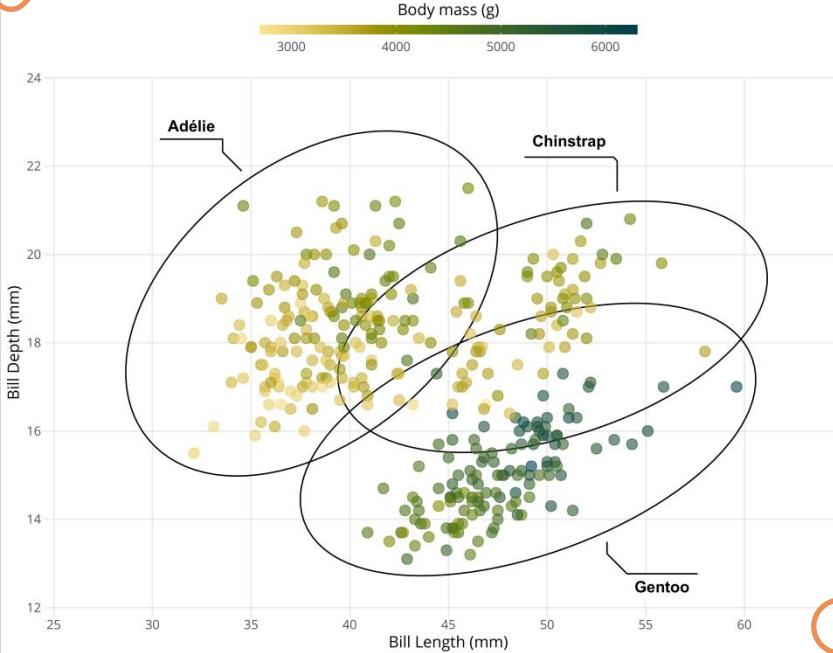
White Space

```
theme(plot.margin = margin(rep(base_size/2, 4)))
```

Default

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A scatter plot of bill depth versus bill length.

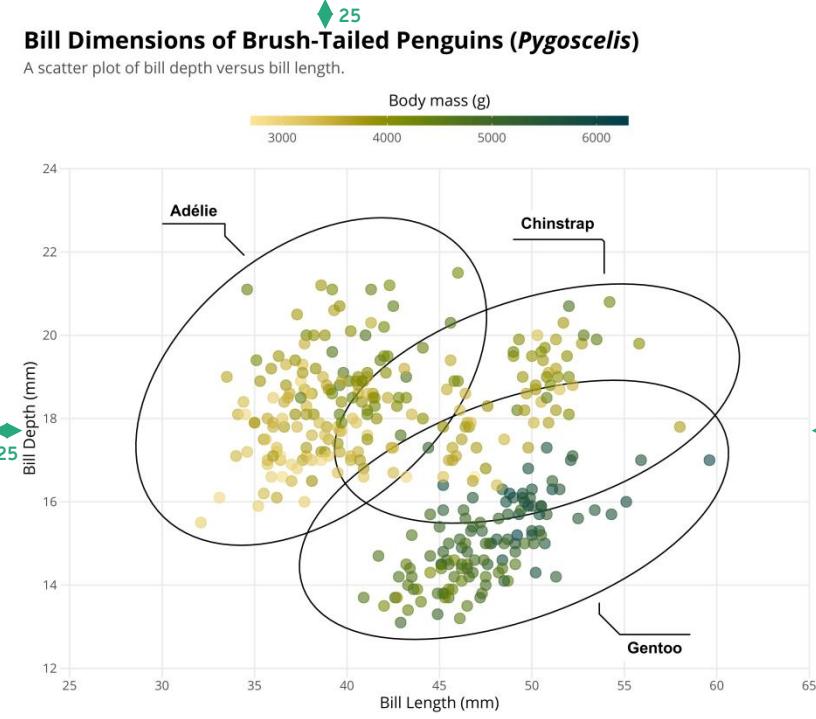


```
theme(plot.margin = margin(25, 25, 10, 25))
```

Better

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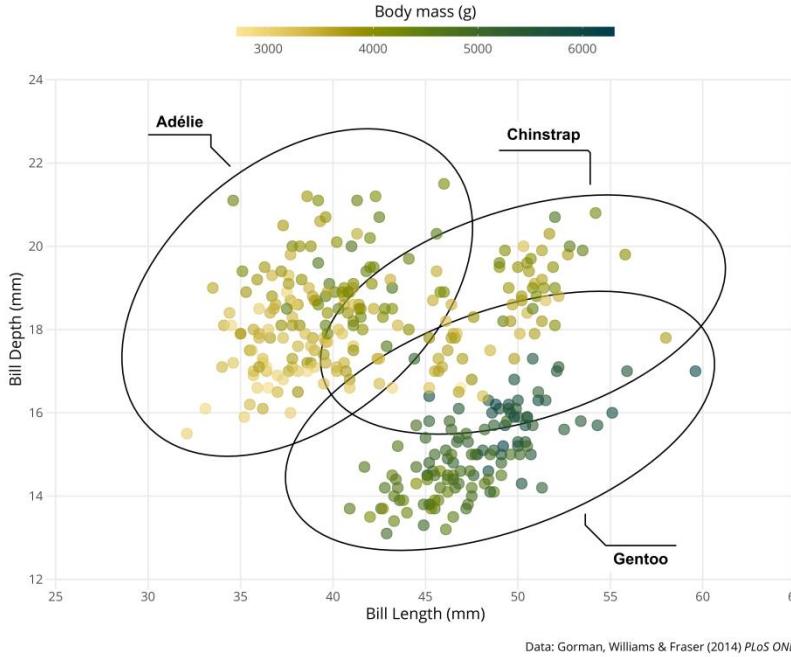


Adding Images

```
png <- magick::image_read("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/allisonhorst/.../culmen_depth.png")
img <- grid::rasterGrob(png, interpolate = TRUE)
annotation_custom(img, ymin = 22, ymax = 31, xmin = 55, xmax = 65.5)
```

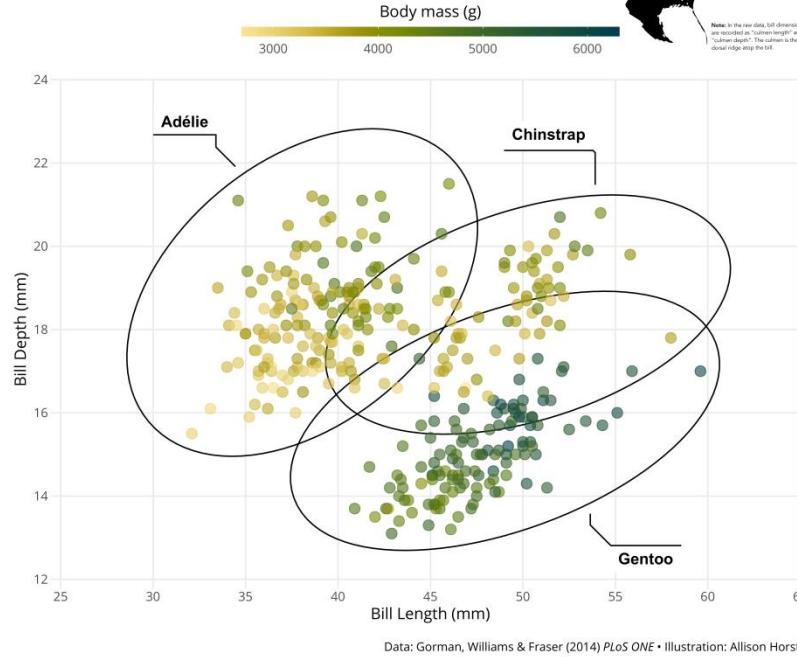
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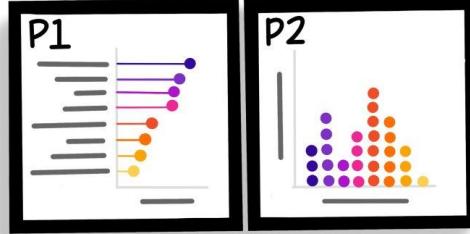
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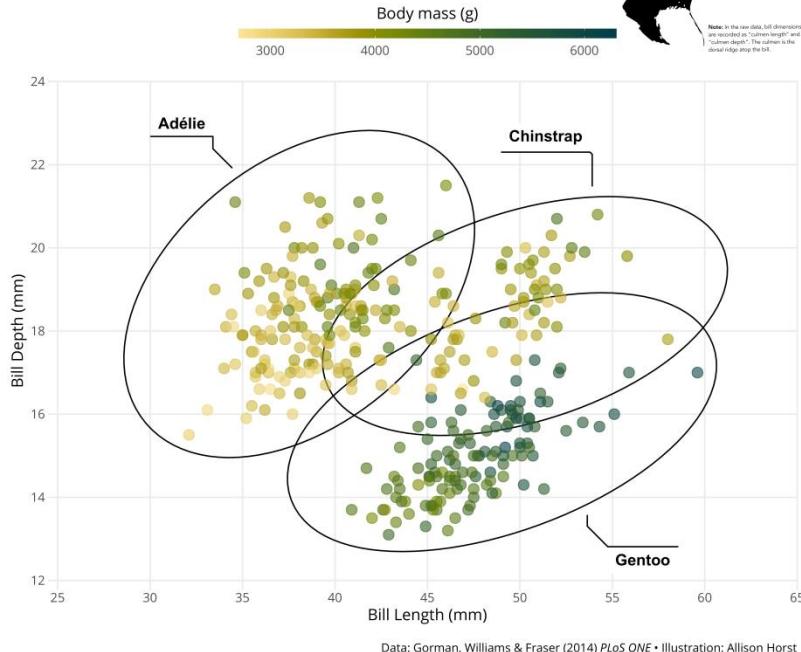


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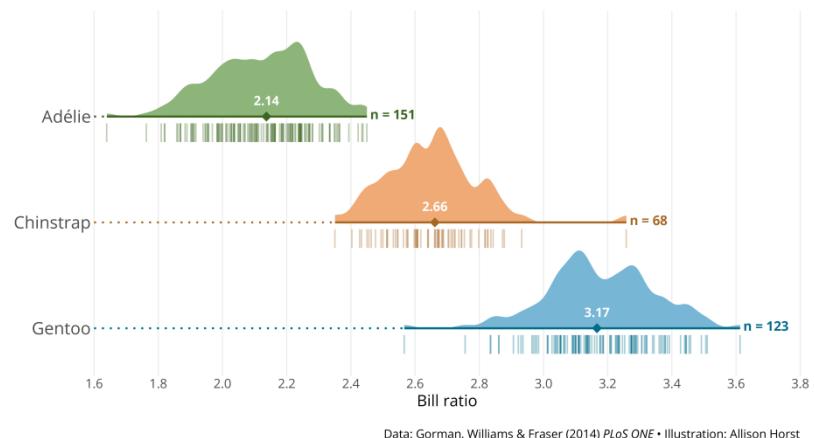
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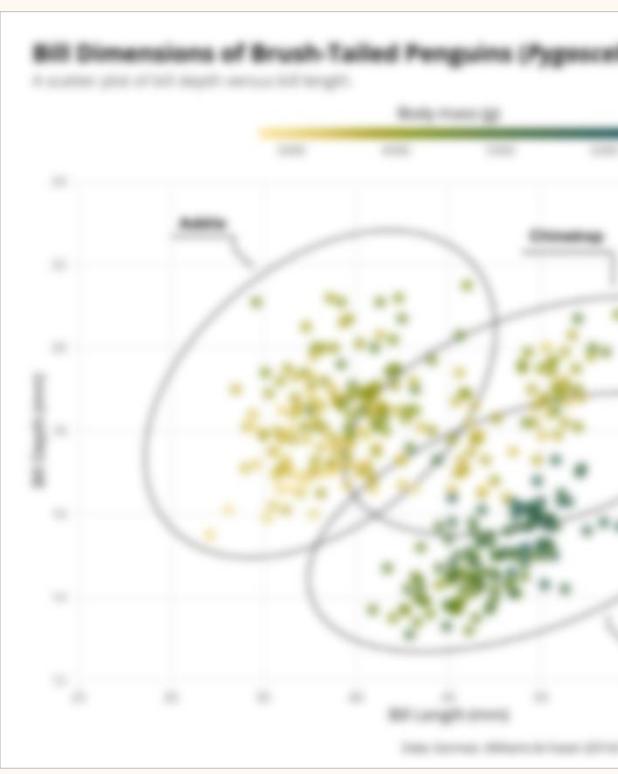
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(p1 / p2) + plot_layout(heights = c(1, .65))
```

B. Raincloud plot showing the distribution of bill ratios, estimated as bill length divided by bill depth.

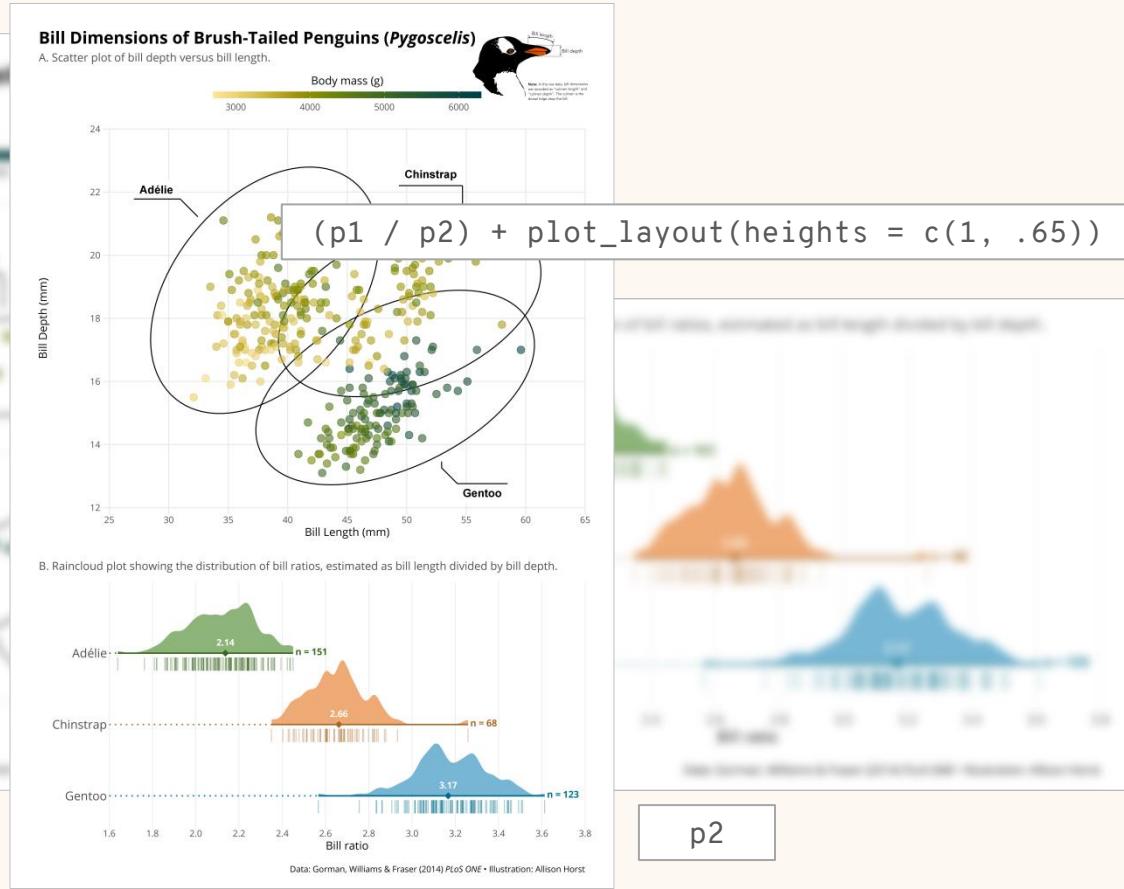


p2

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p1



p2

```
ggtitle('*Pygoscelis*') + theme(plot.title = element_markdown())
```

```
theme(plot.position = 'plot')
```

```
theme(legend.position = 'top') +  
  guide(color = guide_colorbar())
```

```
theme(plot.margin = margin(t, r, b, 1))
```

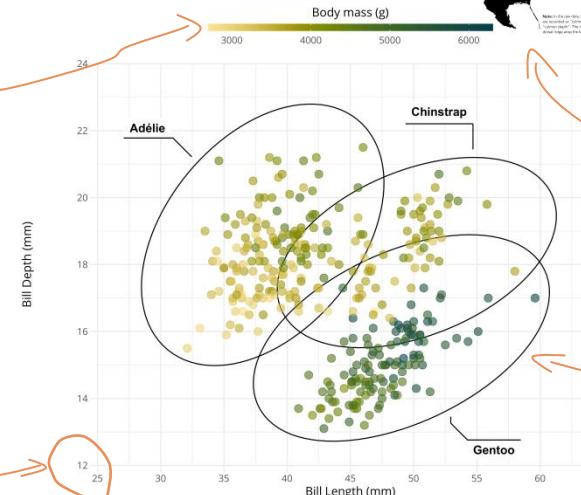
```
coord_cartesian(expand = c(0, 0),  
  clip = 'off')
```

```
ggdist::stat_halfeye()
```

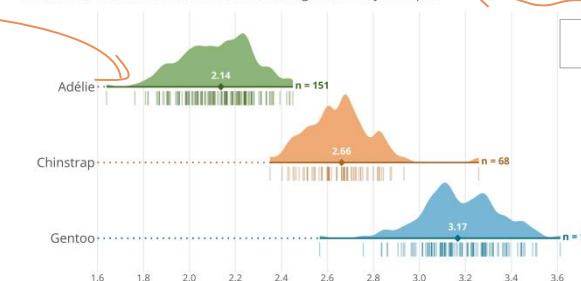


Bill Dimensions of Brush-Tailed Penguins (*Pygoscelis*)

A. Scatter plot of bill depth versus bill length.



B. Distribution of the bill ratio, estimated as bill length divided by bill depth



Data: Gorman, Williams & Fraser (2014) PLoS ONE • Illustration: Allison Horst

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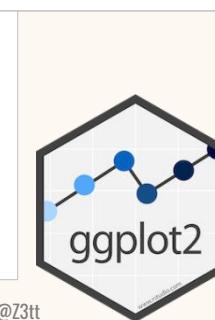
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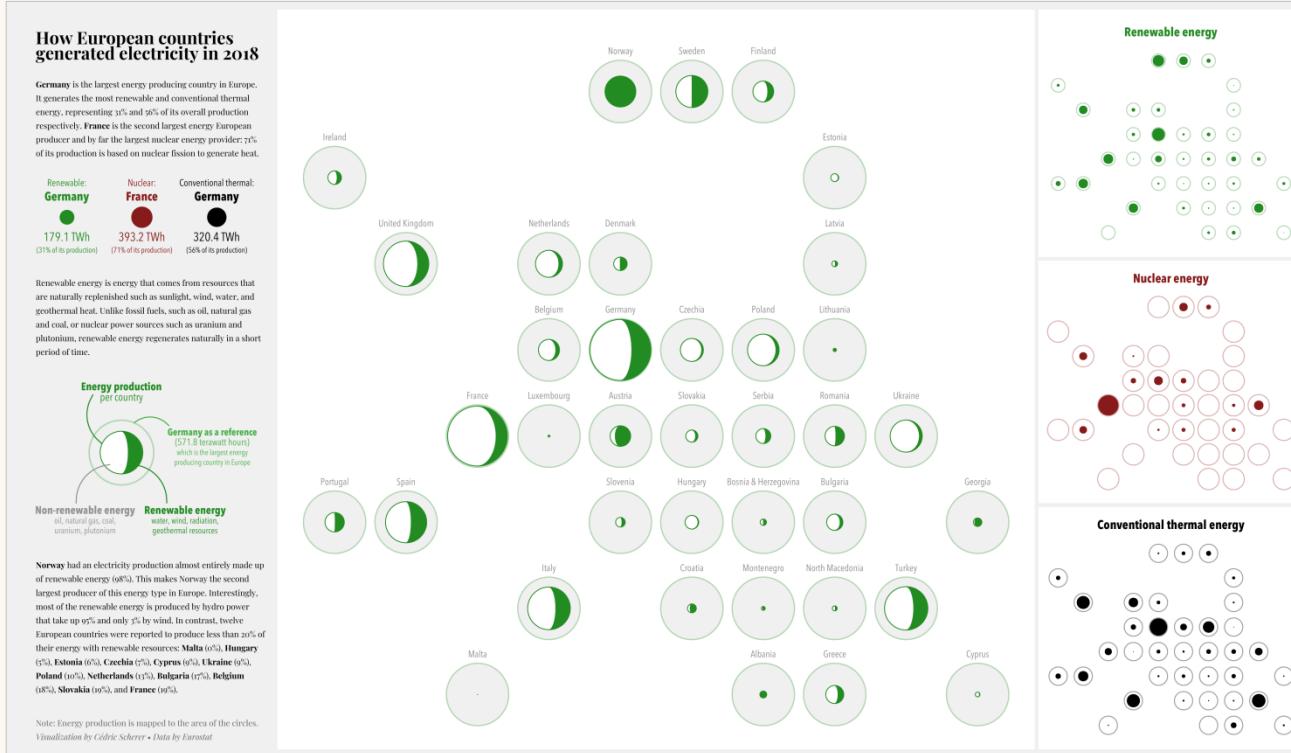


```
annotation_custom(grid::rasterGrob(img))
```

```
ggforce::geom_mark_*
```

```
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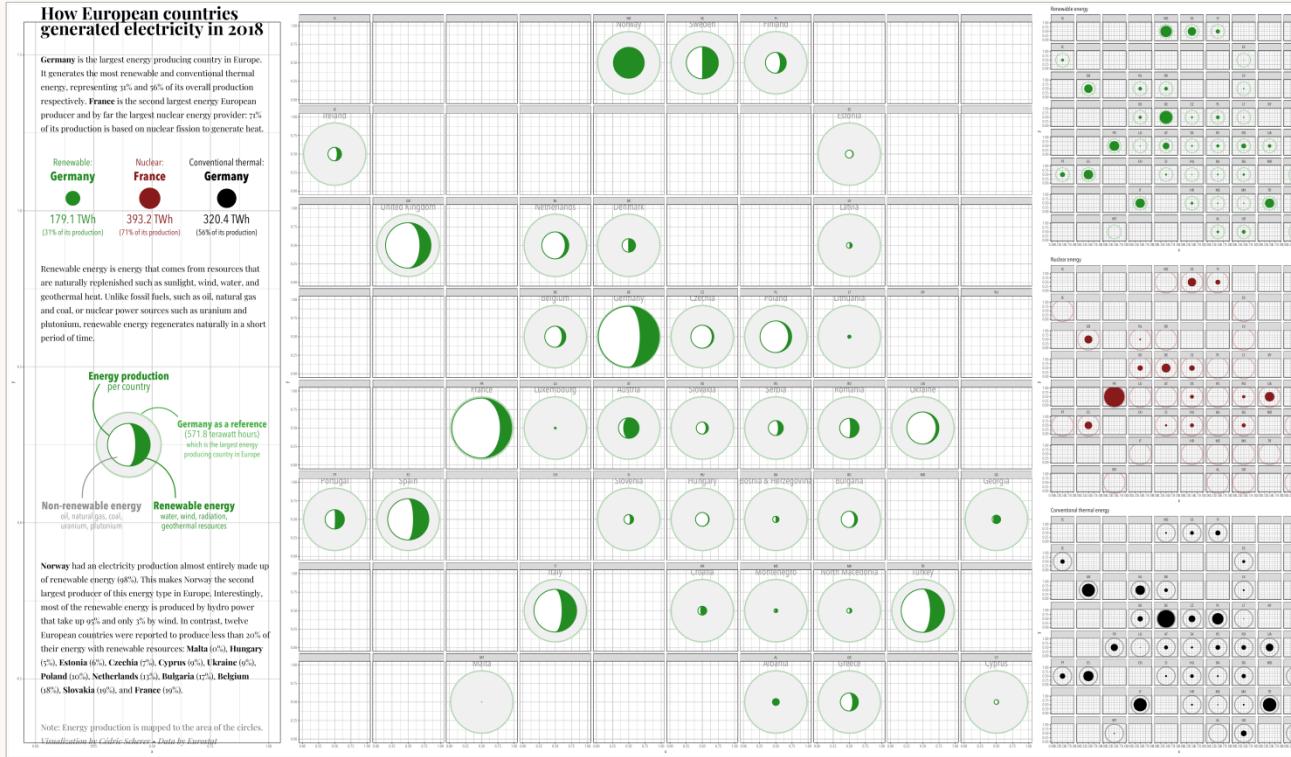
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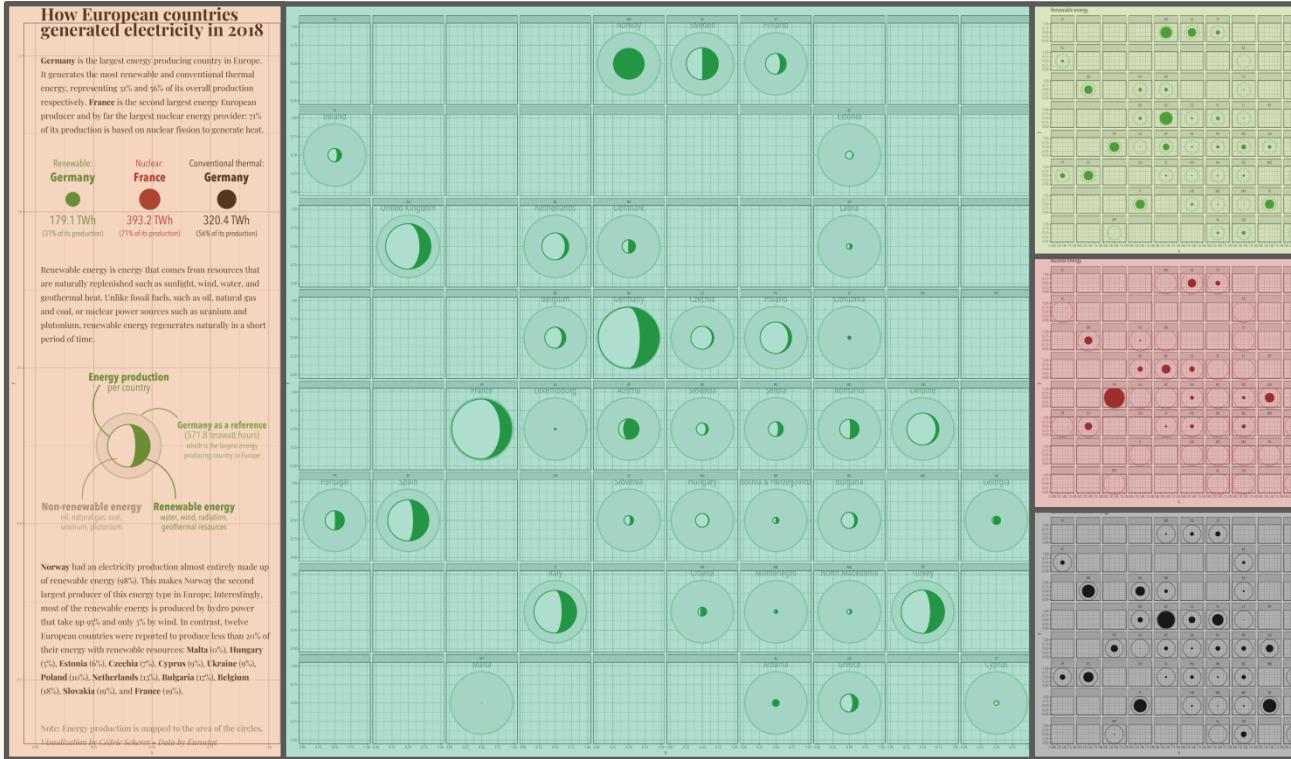
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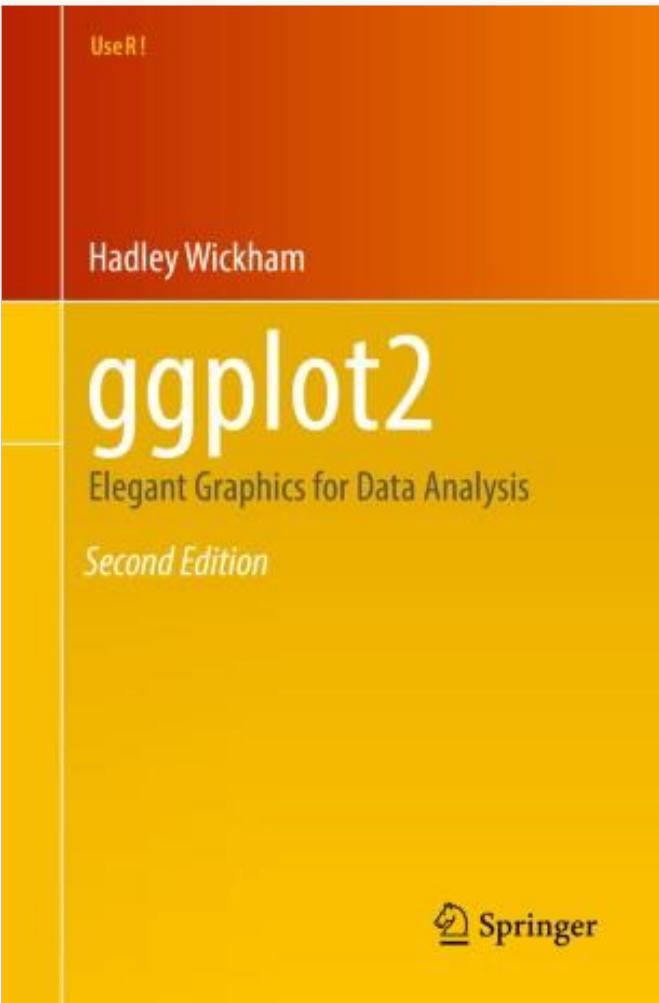
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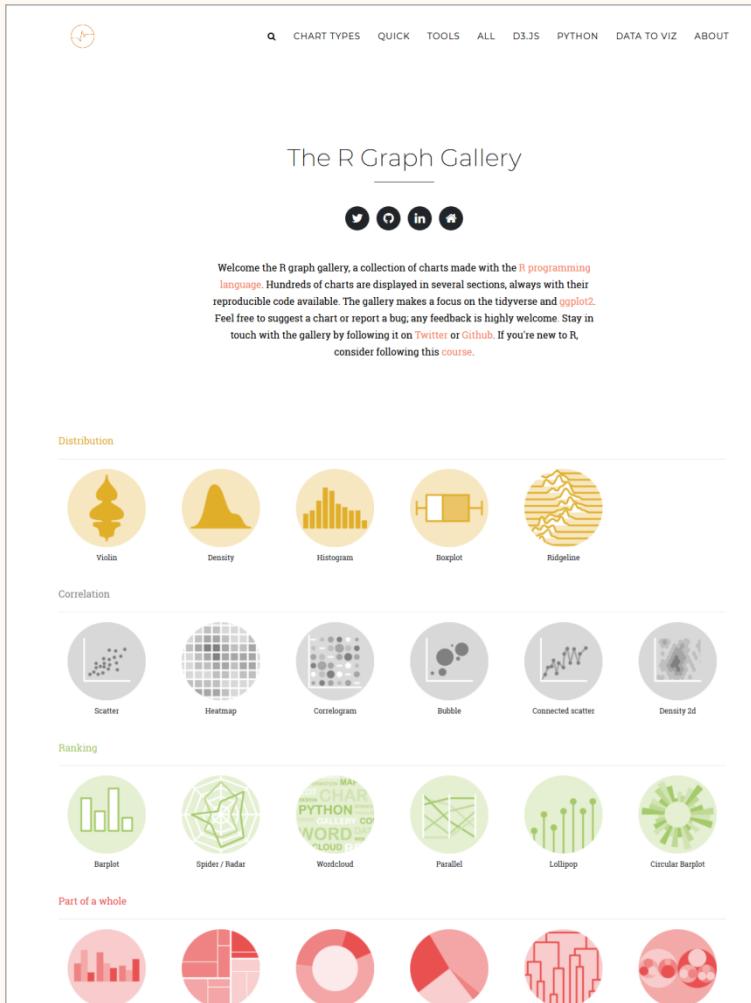
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MY PERSONAL DATA VISUALIZATION YEAR 2020

Even though it was a crazy and exhausting year, there was also some good and exiting things happening. Therefore I've decided to take a short break on New Year's Day and look back at some of the positive moments of my personal data visualization journey during 2020.

POSTED BY CÉDRIC FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2020

WHAT DO I BINGE NEXT? A DETAILED OVERVIEW OF THE TOP 250 TV SHOWS

My contribution to the RStudio table contests visualizing relevant details of the top 250 TV shows as rated by IMDB users. I focused on displaying all the details I and my friends care about including in-line visualizations of rating trends and average runtime.

POSTED BY CÉDRIC SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2020

THE WORST DAYS OF THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC SO FAR

Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2, COVID-19 or simply Corona—what started as an epidemic in China has become a global pandemic. I created an animated timeseries of daily deaths relative to each country's worst day so far to visualize the first wave of COVID-19.

POSTED BY CÉDRIC TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2020

COMPARING THE EXTENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRES 2019/20

The massive bushfires in Australia are in the news worldwide. The incredible extent of burnt land and plume of smoke is hard to imagine so I have compared the areas to countries in Europe and worldwide.

POSTED BY CÉDRIC THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020

BEST TIDYTUESDAY 2019

Here are my favorite visualizations of the #TidyTuesday challenge in 2019 (from those I've seen and which I remember). I present my personal top 3 in terms of design and storytelling.

POSTED BY CÉDRIC MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2019

MERRY (WHITE?) CHRISTMAS!

At the end of the year, I explore the history of snow cover and white Christmas in Berlin. I wish you a merry Christmas and wonderful holidays 2019!

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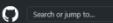


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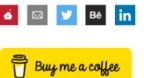
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#TidyTuesday Contributions



My contributions to the #TidyTuesday challenge, a weekly social data project that focuses on understanding how to wrangle and visualize data to make meaningful and/or beautiful charts with #TidyTuesday, #Tidyverse, #tidyverse and other tools that are part of the (#tidyverse) ecosystem. The project was founded in 2018 by Thomas Mock and organized by the RADS ("R for Data Science") online learning community. The intent is to provide a safe and supportive forum to practice their wrangling and data visualization skills.

DISCLAIMER:
No Illustrator or Photoshop was harmed during the making of these visualizations.
I certify giggle quality.

Feedback is very welcome on [Twitter](#) or [mail](#).

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- Challenges 2019
 - 2019/1 Seattle Bike Traffic
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ggplot Wizardry: My Favorite Tricks and Secrets for Beautiful Plots in R



Slides and hands-on codes for my talk at the 1st OutlierConf, February 4–7 2021.



ggplot Wizardry

My Favorite Tricks and Secrets for Beautiful Plots in R

Dr. Cédric Scherer
Playing with ggplot2, Tidyverse, Design



Tutorial Resources:

- Slides
- Recording
- Hand-on Tutorial
- Codes

Bonus: Extended version!

- Slides from the useR! Oslo meeting on March 24, 2021

About the talk:

In this talk, I present my favorite tips and tricks with regard to the ggplot2 package, a library for plotting in the programming language R. I will cover functions that are helpful but many may not be aware of as well as a collection of interesting functions from a large range of extension packages.

The talk is intended for people who already know how to code in R and ggplot2. However, I am going to cover a diverse collection of tips so I hope everyone can pick something helpful independent from their level of expertise.



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A GGPLOT2 TUTORIAL FOR BEAUTIFUL PLOTTING IN R

POSTED BY CÉDRIC ON MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2013

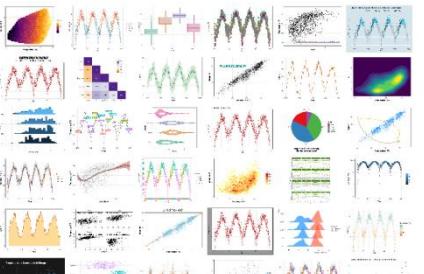
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INTRODUCTORY WORDS

I don't care, just show me the content!

Back in 2016, I had to prepare my PhD introductory talk and I started using [\(ggplot2\)](#) to visualize my data. I never liked the syntax and style of base plots in R, so I was quickly in love with ggplot. Especially useful was its faceting utility. But because I was short on time, I plotted these figures by trial and error and with the help of lots of googling. The resource I came always back to was a blog entry called [Beautiful plotting in R: A ggplot2 cheatsheet](#) by Zev Ross, updated last in January 2016. After giving the talk which contained some decent plots thanks to the blog post, I decided to go through this tutorial step-by-step. I learned so much from it and directly started modifying the codes and over the time I added additional code snippets, chart types and resources.

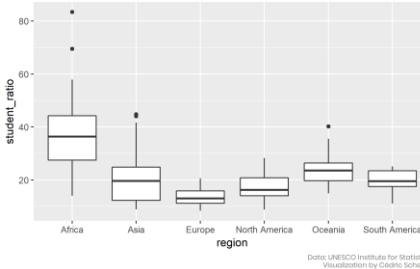
Since the blog entry by Zev Ross was not updated for some years and step by step this became a unique version of a tutorial, I decided to host the updated version on my GitHub. Now it finds its proper place on this homepage! (Plus I added a ton of other updates—just to name a few: The fantastic [\(patchwork\)](#), [\(ggttext\)](#) and [\(ggeforce\)](#) packages. How to deal with custom fonts and colors. A collection of R packages tailored to create interactive charts. And several other chart types including pie charts because everyone looooves pie charts!)


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THE EVOLUTION OF A GGPLOT (EP. I)

POSTED BY CÉDRIC ON FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2019

The Evolution of a ggplot



- Aim of this Tutorial
- Data Preparation
- The Default Boxplot
- Sort Your Data!
- Let Your Plot Shine—Get Rid of the Default Settings
- The Choice of the Chart Type
- More Geoms, More Fun, More Info!
- Add Text Boxes to Let The Plot Speak for Itself
- Bonus: Add a Tile Map as Legend
- The Final Evolved Visualization
- Complete Code for Final Plot
- Post Scriptum: Mean versus Median

AIM OF THIS TUTORIAL

In this series of blog posts, I aim to show you how to turn a default ggplot into a plot that visualizes information in an appealing and easily understandable way. The goal of each blog post is to provide a step-by-step tutorial explaining how my visualization have evolved from a typical basic ggplot. All plots are going to be created with 100% [\(ggplot2\)](#) and 0% Inkscape.

In the first episode, I transform a basic boxplot into a colorful and self-explanatory combination of a jittered dot strip plot and a lollipop plot. I am going to use [data](#) provided by the UNESCO on global student to teacher ratios that was selected as data for the #TidyTuesday challenge 19 of 2019.

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