

Introduction au package **ggplot2**

Préambule

- Pré-requis :
 - utiliser R régulièrement
 - oublier la façon dont vous produisiez les graphiques jusqu'à présent
- Objectifs :
 - Comprendre la logique de la *grammar of graphics* (**gg** de **ggplot2**)
 - S'initier à `ggplot2`
 - Apprendre à se débrouiller
 - Se faire plaisir !

Plan

- Grammar of Graphics
- ggplot2

Grammar of Graphics

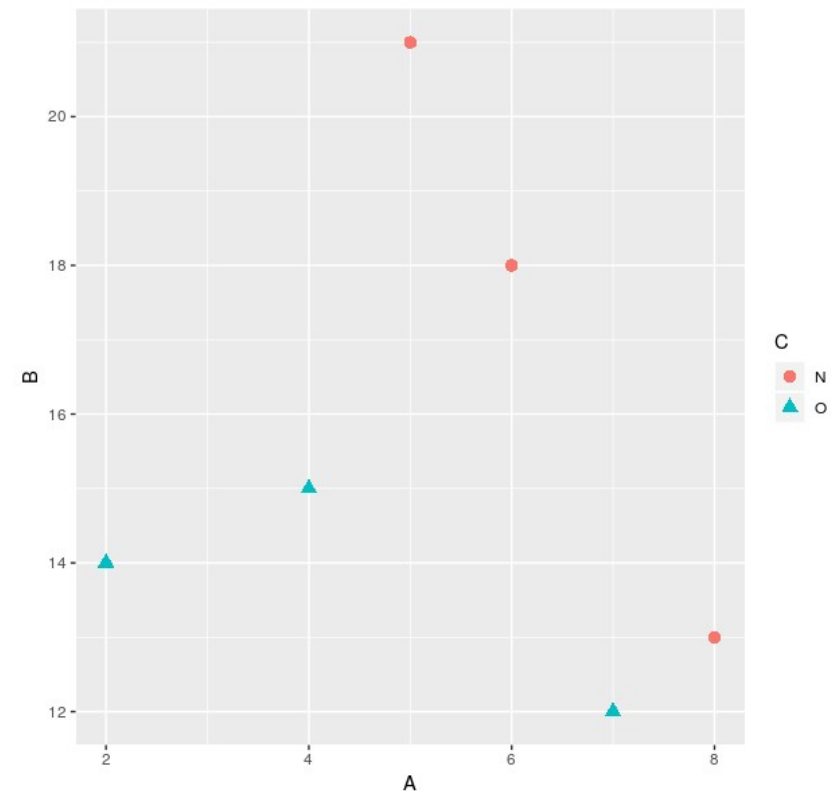
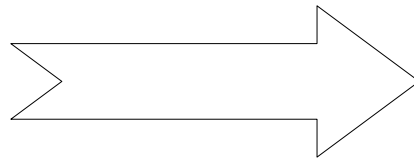
Grammar of Graphics

- Grammaire : nom féminin, XIIe siècle. Dérivé du latin grammatica, emprunté du grec grammatikê, « grammaire, culture ». Ensemble des règles qui forment le système d'une langue et que l'on doit suivre pour parler ou écrire conformément à l'usage (Dictionnaire de l'académie Française, 9^e édition)
- *Grammar gives language rules.* Wilkinson 2005

Grammar of Graphics

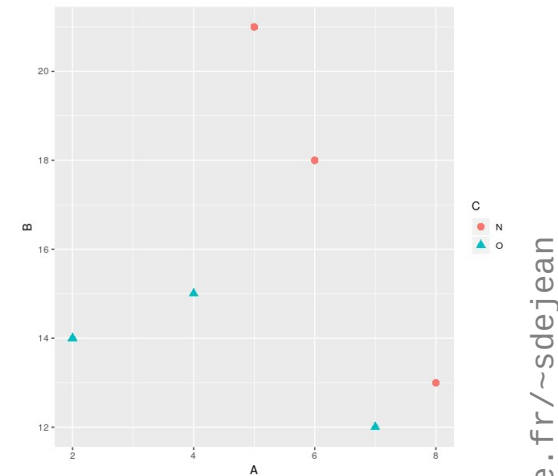
- Ensemble de règles qui vont permettre de passer d'un tableau de données à un graphique

A	B	C
2	14	0
4	15	0
5	21	N
6	18	N
8	13	N
7	12	0



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A	B	C	x	y	Colour	Shape	Size
2	14	O	0	0.2	Blue	Circle	3
4	15	O	0.3	0.3	Blue	Circle	3
5	21	N	0.5	1	Pink	Triangle	3
6	18	N	0.6	0.6	Pink	Triangle	3
8	13	N	1	0.1	Pink	Triangle	3
7	12	O	0.8	0	Blue	Circle	3



Variable
space

Aesthetic space

The grammar tells us that a statistical graphic is a mapping from data to aesthetic attributes (colour, shape, size) of geometric objects (points, lines, bars).

Grammar of Graphics

- **Defaults**

- Data
- Mapping from variables to aesthetics

- **Layer**

- Data (optional)
- Mapping (optional)
- **Geometric** object
- **Statistical** transformation
- **Position** adjustment

- **Scale**: controls the mapping from data to aesthetic attributes, one scale or each aesthetic property
- **Coordinate** system
- **Facet** specification : to build the same plot for different subsets of the dataset

Layered Grammar of Graphics

Aesthetics

- Properties that can be perceived on the graphic
- Each aesthetic can be mapped to a variable or set to a constant value

Geoms

- Performs the actual rendering of the layer
- Control the type of plot that you create

Layer

Layers are responsible for creating the objects that we perceive on the plot.

The plot is not ready to be displayed until at least one layer is added.

- Data
- **Aesthetic** mapping
- **Geometric** object
- **Statistical** transformation
- **Position** adjustment

Minimal layer:
specify a geom

Scales

- Controls the mapping from data to aesthetics
- Tools to read the plot: axes and legends (guides)
- Scale : function from a region in data space to a region in aesthetic space.
- Without a scale, there is no way to go from the data to aesthetics so a scale is required for every aesthetics used on the plot
- For position aesthetics, the axes are the guides, for all other aesthetics, legends do the job
- All aspects of the guides are controlled by parameters of the scales

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Input data

**It must be a
data.frame**

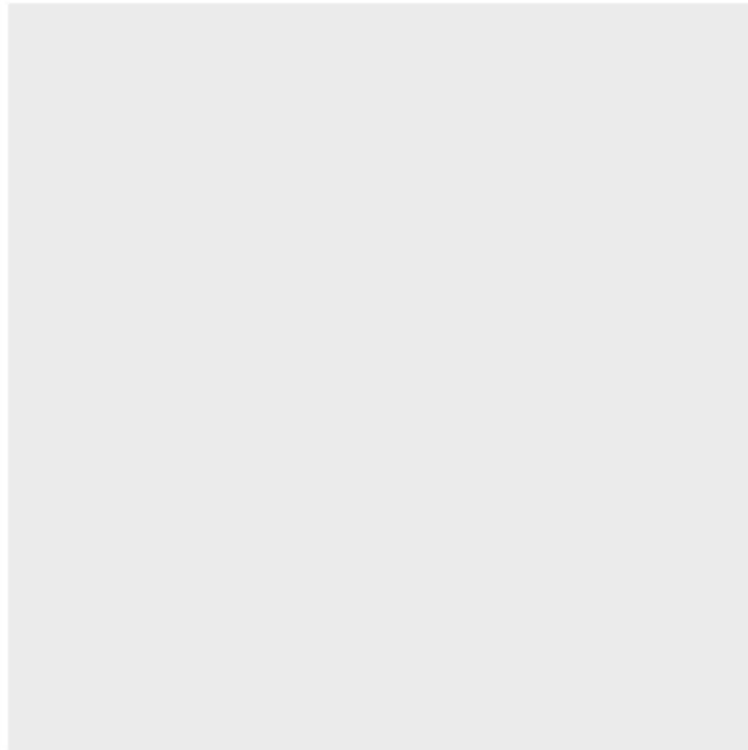
Data structures

- A plot object **is a list** with:
 - Data (stored in the plot object as a copy not a reference)
 - Mapping
 - Layers
 - Scales
 - Coordinates
 - facet

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```
> ggplot(iris)
```

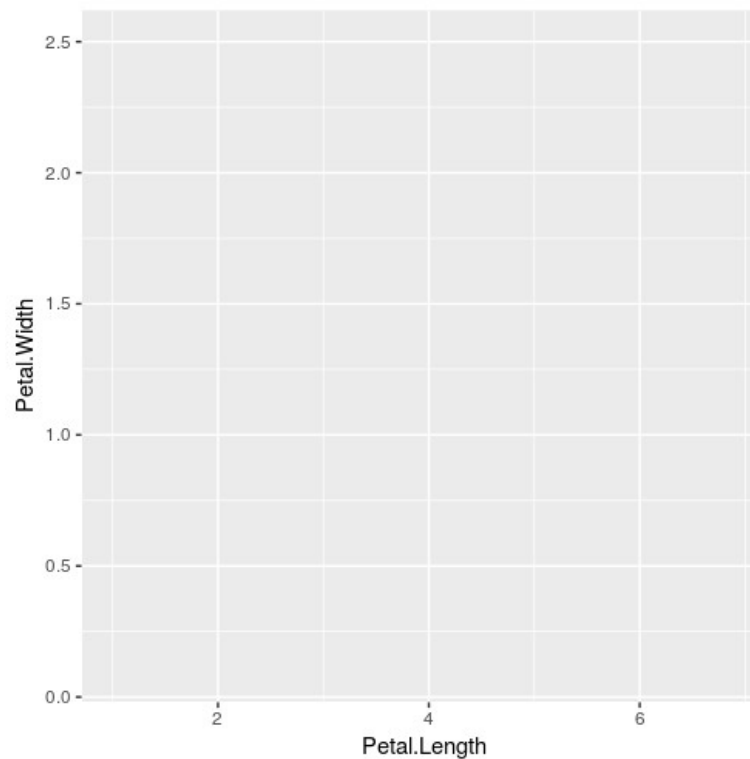
Data



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```
> ggplot(data=iris,  
  aes(x=Petal.Length,  
    y=Petal.Width,  
    colour=Species))
```

Aesthetics



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```
> ggplot(data=iris,  
  aes(x=Petal.Length,  
    y=Petal.Width,  
    colour=Species))  
  
+ geom_point()
```

Layer with
geom

