

# R Practice - ggplot2 and NYC Flights

See if you can make some plots from the NYC Flights data set

## Accessing the data

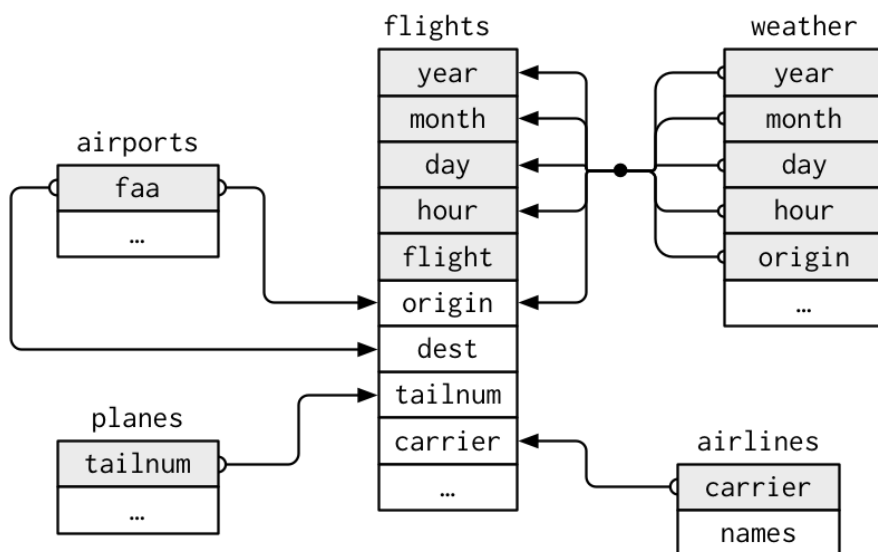
Make sure you load the data by loading the nycflights13 library

```
library(nycflights13)
```

And also be sure to load ggplot2 and dplyr

```
library(ggplot2)
library(dplyr)
```

Recall that the library includes the following tables



Since this data set is quite large, let's work with just a subset of the data. Create a table for just the data from January

```
jan <- flights %>% filter(month==1)
```

## Use ggplot2 to make some plots that address these questions

Remember to only use the data from January for these questions

- 1) Show how many flights took place each hour
- 2) Is there a relationship between the scheduled hour of the flight and the distance flown?
- 3) Plot the arrival and departure delays for each flight colored by carrier for the top three carriers B6 (JetBlue), UA (United Airlines), EV (ExpressJet)
- 4) Compare the distributions of departure delays from the three origins (only look at delays less than 120 minutes). Try overlaying the estimated densities in a single plot. Now try using facets.
- 5) First let's make a map of the USA. You may need to install the following packages

```
#install.packages(c("maps", "mapproj"))
ggplot(map_data("state"), aes(long, lat)) +
  geom_polygon(aes(group=group), colour="white") +
  coord_map("albers", at0 = 45.5, lat1 = 29.5)
```

This should make a nice map. Note how it uses long and latitude for the coordinates. The "airports" table contains the longitude and latitude for each of the airports in the dataset. Add a layer to the above plot that places a circle on each airport with a size relative to the number of flights to that location

- 6) Create a plot of your own design!

## Possible Answers

There are no "right" answers to these questions. You may interpret the question differently or have different approaches and that's OK.

1)

```
ggplot(jan, aes(hour)) + geom_bar()
```

2)

```
ggplot(jan, aes(factor(hour), distance)) + geom_boxplot()
ggplot(jan, aes(distance, hour)) + geom_hex()
```

3)

```
ggplot(jan %>% filter(carrier %in% c("B6","UA","EV")), aes(dep_delay, arr_delay, color=carrier))
+ geom_point()
```

4)

```
ggplot(jan %>% filter(dep_delay<120), aes(dep_delay)) + geom_density(aes(color=origin),
alpha=.2
```

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gplot(jan %>% filter(dep_delay<120), aes(dep_delay)) + geom_density() + facet_wrap(~origin,
ncol=1)
```

5)

```
dests <- jan %>% count(dest) %>%
  inner_join(airports, c("dest"="faa")) %>% rename(long=lon)
ggplot(map_data("state"), aes(long, lat)) +
  geom_polygon(aes(group=group), color="white") +
  geom_point(data=dests, aes(color=n, size=n)) +
  coord_map("albers", at0 = 45.5, lat1 = 29.5)
```