

tidyverse

immediate

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Interaction with the tidyverse and ggplot2

The tidyverse, ggplot2, and destiny are a great fit!

```
In [2]: suppressPackageStartupMessages({  
        library(destiny)  
        library(tidyverse)  
        library(forcats) # not in the default tidyverse loadout  
      })
```

ggplot has a peculiar method to set default scales: You just have to define certain variables.

```
In [3]: scale_colour_continuous <- scale_color_viridis_c
```

When working mainly with dimension reductions, I suggest to hide the (useless) ticks:

```
In [4]: theme_set(theme_gray() + theme(  
        axis.ticks = element_blank(),  
        axis.text  = element_blank()))
```

Let's load our dataset

```
In [5]: data(guo_norm)
```

Of course you could use `tidyr::gather()` to tidy or transform the data now, but the data is already in the right form for destiny, and [R for Data Science](#) is a better resource for it than this vignette. The long form of a single cell ExpressionSet would look like:

```
In [6]: guo_norm %>%  
        as('data.frame') %>%  
        gather(Gene, Expression, one_of(featureNames(guo_norm)))
```

| Cell | num_cells | Gene | Expression |
|----------|-----------|--------|------------|
| 2C 1.1 | 2 | Actb | -0.575 |
| 2C 1.2 | 2 | Actb | -0.435 |
| 2C 2.1 | 2 | Actb | 0.460 |
| 2C 2.2 | 2 | Actb | 0.610 |
| 2C 3.1 | 2 | Actb | 1.970 |
| ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ |
| 64C 7.10 | 64 | Tspan8 | 3.220 |
| 64C 7.11 | 64 | Tspan8 | 3.415 |
| 64C 7.12 | 64 | Tspan8 | 4.540 |
| 64C 7.13 | 64 | Tspan8 | 5.315 |
| 64C 7.14 | 64 | Tspan8 | 2.865 |

But destiny doesn't use long form data as input, since all single cell data has always a more compact structure of genes×cells, with a certain number of per-sample covariates (The structure of ExpressionSet).

```
In [7]: dm <- DiffusionMap(guo_norm)
```

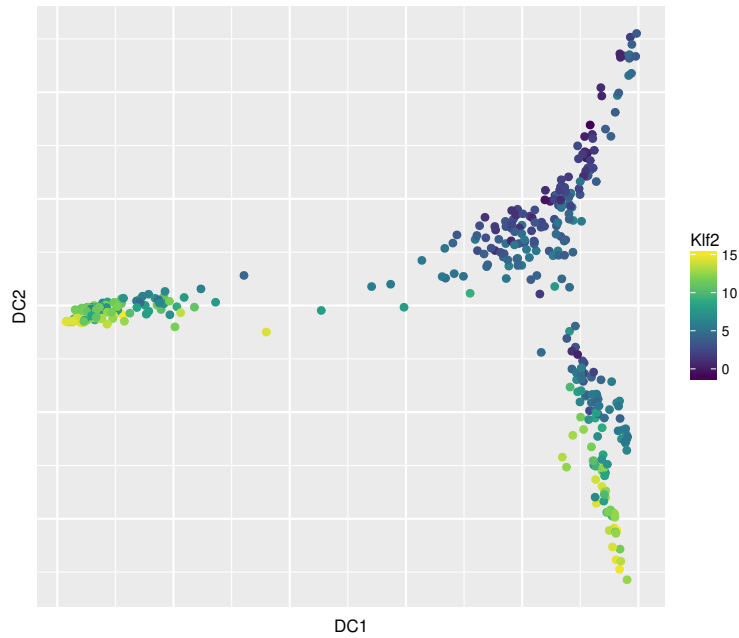
names(dm) shows what names can be used in dm\$<name>, as .data.frame(dm)\$<name>, or ggplot(dm, aes(<name>)):

```
In [8]: names(dm) # namely: Diffusion Components, Genes, and Covariates
```

```
① 'DC1' ② 'DC2' ③ 'DC3' ④ 'DC4' ⑤ 'DC5' ⑥ 'DC6' ⑦ 'DC7' ⑧ 'DC8' ⑨ 'DC9' ⑩ 'DC10'
⑪ 'DC11' ⑫ 'DC12' ⑬ 'DC13' ⑭ 'DC14' ⑮ 'DC15' ⑯ 'DC16' ⑰ 'DC17' ⑱ 'DC18' ⑲ 'DC19'
⑳ 'DC20' ㉑ 'Actb' ㉒ 'Ahcy' ㉓ 'Aqp3' ㉔ 'Atp12a' ㉕ 'Bmp4' ㉖ 'Cdx2' ㉗ 'Creb312'
㉘ 'Cebpa' ㉙ 'Dab2' ㉚ 'Dppal' ㉛ 'Eomes' ㉜ 'Esrrb' ㉝ 'Fgf4' ㉞ 'Fgfr2' ㉟ 'Fn1'
㊱ 'Gapdh' ㊲ 'Gata3' ㊳ 'Gata4' ㊴ 'Gata6' ㊵ 'Grhl1' ㊶ 'Grhl2' ㊷ 'Hand1' ㊸ 'Hnf4a'
㊹ 'Id2' ㊺ 'Klf2' ㊻ 'Klf4' ㊼ 'Klf5' ㊽ 'Krt8' ㊾ 'Lcp1' ㊿ 'Mbnl3' ① 'Msc' ② 'Msx2'
③ 'Nanog' ④ 'Pdgra' ⑤ 'Pdgfra' ⑥ 'Pecam1' ⑦ 'Pou5f1' ⑧ 'Runx1' ⑨ 'Sox2' ⑩ 'Sall4'
⑪ 'Sox17' ⑫ 'Snail' ⑬ 'Sox13' ⑭ 'Tcfap2a' ⑮ 'Tcfap2c' ⑯ 'Tcf23' ⑰ 'Utf1' ⑱ 'Tspan8'
⑲ 'Cell' ⑳ 'num_cells'
```

Due to the fortify method (which here just means as.data.frame) being defined on DiffusionMap objects, ggplot directly accepts DiffusionMap objects:

```
In [9]: ggplot(dm, aes(DC1, DC2, colour = Klf2)) +
  geom_point()
```



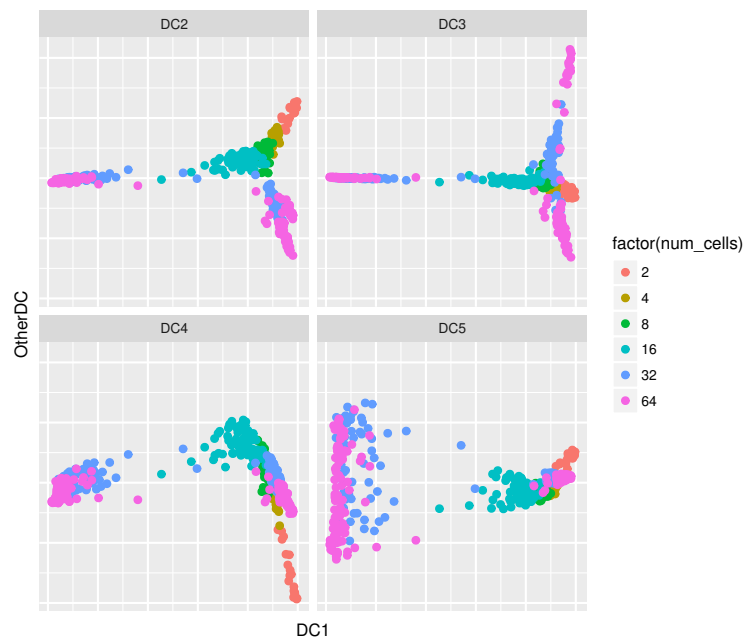
When you want to use a Diffusion Map in a dplyr pipeline, you need to call `fortify/as.data.frame` directly:

```
In [10]: fortify(dm) %>%
  mutate(
    EmbryoState = factor(num_cells) %>%
      lvls_revalue(paste(levels(.), 'cell state'))
  ) %>% ggplot(aes(DC1, DC2, colour = EmbryoState)) +
    geom_point()
```



The Diffusion Components of a converted Diffusion Map, similar to the genes in the input Expression-Set, are individual variables instead of two columns in a long-form data frame, but sometimes it can be useful to “tidy” them:

```
In [11]: fortify(dm) %>%
  gather(DC, OtherDC, num_range('DC', 2:5)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(DC1, OtherDC, colour = factor(num_cells))) +
    geom_point() +
    facet_wrap(~ DC)
```



Another tip: To reduce overplotting, use `sample_frac(., 1.0, replace = FALSE)` (the default) in a pipeline.

Adding a constant `alpha` improves this even more, and also helps you see density:

```
In [12]: fortify(dm) %>%
  sample_frac() %>%
  ggplot(aes(DC1, DC2, colour = factor(num_cells))) +
    geom_point(alpha = .3)
```

