

# Package ‘ggtrace’

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clusters	<i>Mock clusters</i>
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**Description**

Mock clusters

**Usage**

clusters

**Format**

A tibble with 14282 rows and 3 variables

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draw_key	<i>Key glyphs for legends</i>
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**Description**

Each geom has an associated function that draws the key when the geom needs to be displayed in a legend. These functions are called draw\_key\_\*( ), where \* stands for the name of the respective key glyph. The key glyphs can be customized for individual geoms by providing a geom with the key\_glyph argument.

**Usage**

draw\_key\_point\_trace(data, params, size)  
  
draw\_key\_path\_trace(data, params, size)

Arguments

data	A single row data frame containing the scaled aesthetics to display in this key
params	A list of additional parameters supplied to the geom.
size	Width and height of key in mm.

Value

A grid grob

Examples

```
p <- ggplot2::ggplot(stocks, ggplot2::aes(day, value, color = name))

# key glyphs can be specified by their name
p + ggplot2::geom_line(key_glyph = "point_trace")

# key glyphs can be specified via their drawing function
p + ggplot2::geom_line(key_glyph = ggplot2::draw_key_rect)
```

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GeomPathTrace	<i>GeomPathTrace</i>
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Description

GeomPathTrace

Value

ggproto object

See Also

[GeomPath](#)

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geom_path_trace	<i>Trace lines</i>
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### Description

These geoms are similar to `ggplot2::geom_path()`, `ggplot2::geom_line()`, and `ggplot2::geom_step()`, but also include the ability to highlight line segments of interest. These geoms accept normal `ggplot2` graphical parameters with some modifications. `fill` controls the color of the center line, `color` controls the outline color, and `stroke` controls outline width, similar to how filled shapes are modified for other `ggplot2` geoms. Additional parameters including `size`, `alpha`, `linetype`, `linejoin`, `lineend`, and `linemitre` are also accepted.

### Usage

```
geom_path_trace(  
  mapping = NULL,  
  data = NULL,  
  stat = "identity",  
  position = "identity",  
  ...,  
  trace_position = "all",  
  background_params = list(color = NA),  
  lineend = "butt",  
  linejoin = "round",  
  linemitre = 10,  
  arrow = NULL,  
  na.rm = FALSE,  
  show.legend = NA,  
  inherit.aes = TRUE  
)  
  
geom_line_trace(  
  mapping = NULL,  
  data = NULL,  
  stat = "identity",  
  position = "identity",  
  na.rm = FALSE,  
  orientation = NA,  
  show.legend = NA,  
  inherit.aes = TRUE,  
  trace_position = "all",  
  background_params = list(color = NA),  
  ...  
)  
  
geom_step_trace(  
  mapping = NULL,
```

```

data = NULL,
stat = "identity",
position = "identity",
direction = "hv",
na.rm = FALSE,
show.legend = NA,
inherit.aes = TRUE,
trace_position = "all",
background_params = list(color = NA),
...
)

```

### Arguments

mapping	Set of aesthetic mappings created by <a href="#">aes()</a> or <a href="#">aes_()</a> . If specified and <code>inherit.aes = TRUE</code> (the default), it is combined with the default mapping at the top level of the plot. You must supply mapping if there is no plot mapping.
data	<p>The data to be displayed in this layer. There are three options:</p> <p>If <code>NULL</code>, the default, the data is inherited from the plot data as specified in the call to <a href="#">ggplot()</a>.</p> <p>A <code>data.frame</code>, or other object, will override the plot data. All objects will be fortified to produce a data frame. See <a href="#">fortify()</a> for which variables will be created.</p> <p>A function will be called with a single argument, the plot data. The return value must be a <code>data.frame</code>, and will be used as the layer data. A function can be created from a formula (e.g. <code>~ head(.x, 10)</code>).</p>
stat	The statistical transformation to use on the data for this layer, as a string.
position	Position adjustment, either as a string, or the result of a call to a position adjustment function.
...	Other arguments passed on to <a href="#">layer()</a> . These are often aesthetics, used to set an aesthetic to a fixed value, like <code>colour = "red"</code> or <code>size = 3</code> . They may also be parameters to the paired geom/stat.
trace_position	<p>Specifies which data points to outline, can be one of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "all" to outline every group plotted</li> <li>• A predicate specifying which data points to outline. This must evaluate to <code>TRUE</code> or <code>FALSE</code> within the context of the input data. e.g. <code>value &gt; 100</code></li> </ul>
background_params	Named list specifying aesthetic parameters to use for background data points when a predicate is passed to <code>trace_position</code> , e.g. <code>list(color = "red")</code>
lineend	Line end style (round, butt, square).
linejoin	Line join style (round, mitre, bevel).
linemitre	Line mitre limit (number greater than 1).
arrow	Arrow specification, as created by <a href="#">grid::arrow()</a> .
na.rm	If <code>FALSE</code> , the default, missing values are removed with a warning. If <code>TRUE</code> , missing values are silently removed.

show.legend	logical. Should this layer be included in the legends? NA, the default, includes if any aesthetics are mapped. FALSE never includes, and TRUE always includes. It can also be a named logical vector to finely select the aesthetics to display.
inherit.aes	If FALSE, overrides the default aesthetics, rather than combining with them. This is most useful for helper functions that define both data and aesthetics and shouldn't inherit behaviour from the default plot specification, e.g. <code>borders()</code> .
orientation	The orientation of the layer. The default (NA) automatically determines the orientation from the aesthetic mapping. In the rare event that this fails it can be given explicitly by setting orientation to either "x" or "y". See the <i>Orientation</i> section for more detail.
direction	direction of stairs: 'vh' for vertical then horizontal, 'hv' for horizontal then vertical, or 'mid' for step half-way between adjacent x-values.

### Value

ggplot object

### Aesthetics

`geom_path_trace()` understands the following aesthetics (required aesthetics are in bold):

- x
- y
- alpha
- colour
- fill
- group
- linetype
- size
- stroke

Learn more about setting these aesthetics in `vignette("ggplot2-specs")`.

### See Also

[geom\\_path](#); [geom\\_line](#); [geom\\_step](#)

### Examples

```
# Modify line color for each group
ggplot2::ggplot(
  stocks,
  ggplot2::aes(day, value, fill = name)
) +
  geom_line_trace() +
  ggplot2::theme_minimal()
```

```
# Modify outline color for each group
ggplot2::ggplot(
  stocks,
  ggplot2::aes(day, value, color = name)
) +
  geom_line_trace() +
  ggplot2::theme_minimal()

# Specify outline color for each group
clrs <- c(
  CAC = "#E69F00",
  DAX = "#0072B2",
  FTSE = "#009E73",
  SMI = "#56B4E9"
)

ggplot2::ggplot(
  stocks,
  ggplot2::aes(day, value, color = name)
) +
  geom_line_trace(stroke = 1) +
  ggplot2::scale_color_manual(values = clrs) +
  ggplot2::theme_minimal()

# Outline a subset of data points
ggplot2::ggplot(
  stocks,
  ggplot2::aes(day, value, color = name)
) +
  geom_line_trace(trace_position = day > 1500, stroke = 1) +
  ggplot2::theme_minimal()

# Modify appearance of background data points
ggplot2::ggplot(
  stocks,
  ggplot2::aes(day, value, color = name)
) +
  geom_line_trace(
    trace_position = day > 1500,
    background_params = list(color = NA, fill = "grey75"),
    stroke = 1
  ) +
  ggplot2::theme_minimal()

# Remove outline
ggplot2::ggplot(
  stocks,
  ggplot2::aes(day, value, fill = name)
) +
  geom_line_trace(
    trace_position = day > 1500,
    background_params = list(fill = "grey75"),
    color = NA
  )
```

```
) +
  ggplot2::theme_minimal()
```

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geom_point_trace	<i>Trace points</i>
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## Description

This geom is similar to `ggplot2::geom_point()`, but also includes the ability to outline points of interest. `geom_point_trace()` accepts normal `ggplot2` graphical parameters with some modifications. `fill` controls the color of each point, `color` controls the outline color, and `stroke` controls outline width, similar to how filled shapes are modified for other `ggplot2` geoms. Additional parameters including `size`, `linetype`, and `alpha` are also accepted.

## Usage

```
geom_point_trace(
  mapping = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  stat = "identity",
  position = "identity",
  ...,
  trace_position = "all",
  background_params = list(color = NA),
  na.rm = FALSE,
  show.legend = NA,
  inherit.aes = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

mapping	Set of aesthetic mappings created by <code>aes()</code> or <code>aes_()</code> . If specified and <code>inherit.aes</code> = <code>TRUE</code> (the default), it is combined with the default mapping at the top level of the plot. You must supply mapping if there is no plot mapping.
data	<p>The data to be displayed in this layer. There are three options:</p> <p>If <code>NULL</code>, the default, the data is inherited from the plot data as specified in the call to <code>ggplot()</code>.</p> <p>A <code>data.frame</code>, or other object, will override the plot data. All objects will be fortified to produce a data frame. See <code>fortify()</code> for which variables will be created.</p> <p>A function will be called with a single argument, the plot data. The return value must be a <code>data.frame</code>, and will be used as the layer data. A function can be created from a formula (e.g. <code>~ head(.x, 10)</code>).</p>
stat	The statistical transformation to use on the data for this layer, as a string.



position	Position adjustment, either as a string, or the result of a call to a position adjustment function.
...	Other arguments passed on to <code>layer()</code> . These are often aesthetics, used to set an aesthetic to a fixed value, like <code>colour = "red"</code> or <code>size = 3</code> . They may also be parameters to the paired geom/stat.
trace_position	Specifies which data points to outline, can be one of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "all" to outline every group plotted</li> <li>• "bottom" to only outline the bottom layer of data points</li> <li>• A predicate specifying which data points to outline. This must evaluate to TRUE or FALSE within the context of the input data. e.g. <code>value &gt; 100</code></li> </ul>
background_params	Named list specifying aesthetic parameters to use for background data points when a predicate is passed to <code>trace_position</code> , e.g. <code>list(color = "red")</code>
na.rm	If FALSE, the default, missing values are removed with a warning. If TRUE, missing values are silently removed.
show.legend	logical. Should this layer be included in the legends? NA, the default, includes if any aesthetics are mapped. FALSE never includes, and TRUE always includes. It can also be a named logical vector to finely select the aesthetics to display.
inherit.aes	If FALSE, overrides the default aesthetics, rather than combining with them. This is most useful for helper functions that define both data and aesthetics and shouldn't inherit behaviour from the default plot specification, e.g. <code>borders()</code> .

**Value**

ggplot object

**Aesthetics**

`geom_point_trace()` understands the following aesthetics (required aesthetics are in bold):

- x
- y
- alpha
- colour
- fill
- group
- linetype
- shape
- size
- stroke

Learn more about setting these aesthetics in `vignette("ggplot2-specs")`.

**See Also**

[geom\\_point](#)

**Examples**

```
# Modify outline color for each group
ggplot2::ggplot(
  clusters,
  ggplot2::aes(UMAP_1, UMAP_2, color = cluster)
) +
  geom_point_trace() +
  ggplot2::theme_minimal()

# Outline a subset of points
ggplot2::ggplot(
  clusters,
  ggplot2::aes(UMAP_1, UMAP_2, fill = cluster)
) +
  geom_point_trace(trace_position = signal < 0 | signal > 17) +
  ggplot2::theme_minimal()

# Modify appearance of background points
ggplot2::ggplot(
  clusters,
  ggplot2::aes(UMAP_1, UMAP_2, fill = cluster)
) +
  geom_point_trace(
    trace_position = signal < 0 | signal > 17,
    background_params = list(color = NA, fill = "grey85")
  ) +
  ggplot2::theme_minimal()
```

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stocks

*EuStockMarkets in long format*

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**Description**

EuStockMarkets in long format

**Usage**

stocks

**Format**

A tibble with 74440 rows and 3 variables

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