

How can I add a label to a vertical line in ggplot2 using geom_vline?

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Adding a label to a vertical line in ggplot2 using the `geom_vline` function allows for the clear identification and labeling of specific points or values on a plot. This feature is particularly useful when visualizing data with multiple lines or when highlighting a specific point of interest. By using the "label" argument within the `geom_vline` function, users can easily add a descriptive label to their vertical line, providing context and enhancing the overall clarity of their plot. This feature is simple to implement and can greatly enhance the visual presentation of data in ggplot2.

Add Label to `geom_vline` in ggplot2

You can use the following basic syntax to add a label to a vertical line in ggplot2:

```
+ annotate("text", x=9, y=20, label="Here is my text",  
angle=90)
```

The following examples show how to use this syntax in practice.

Example 1: Add Label to `geom_vline`

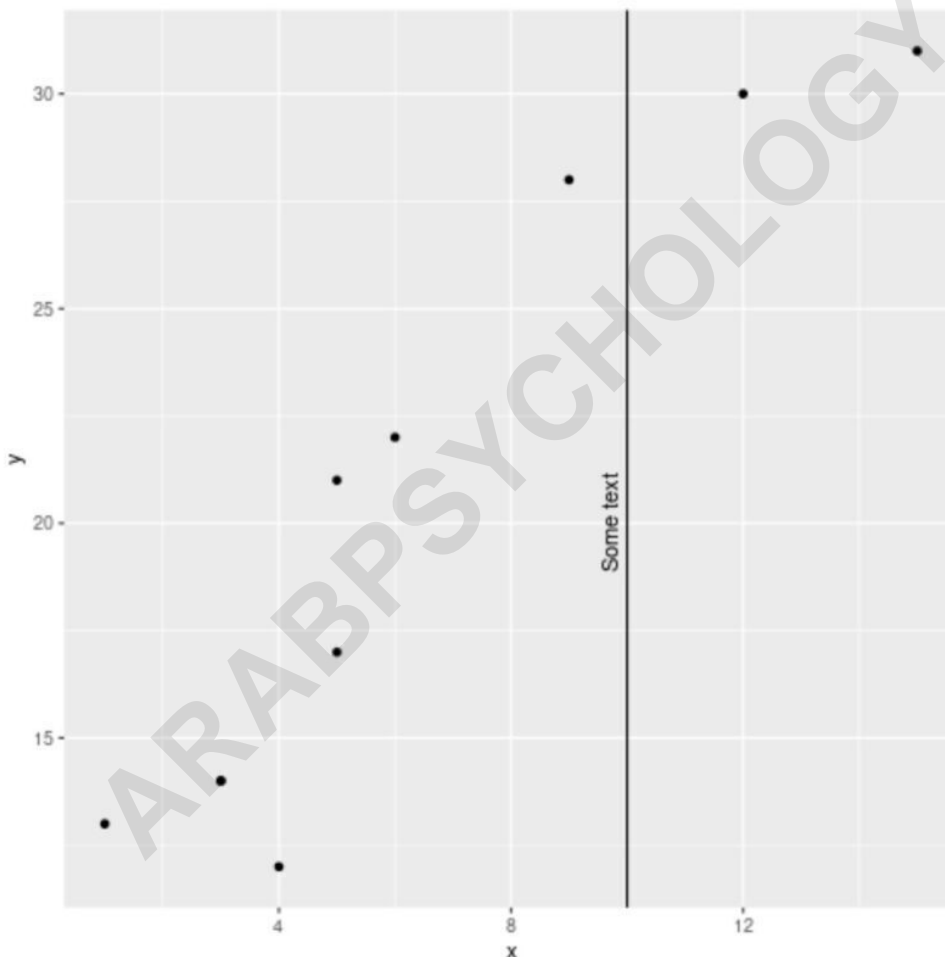
The following code shows how to add a label to a vertical line in ggplot2:

```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
#create data frame
```

```
df <- data.frame(x=c(1, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5, 6, 9, 12, 15),  
y=c(13, 14, 14, 12, 17, 21, 22, 28, 30, 31))
```

```
#create scatterplot with vertical line at x=10ggplot(df,  
aes(x=x, y=y)) +  
geom_point() +  
geom_vline(xintercept=10) +  
annotate("text", x=9.7, y=20, label="Some text",  
angle=90)
```



Example 2: Add Customized Label to geom_vline

The following code shows how to use the size and color

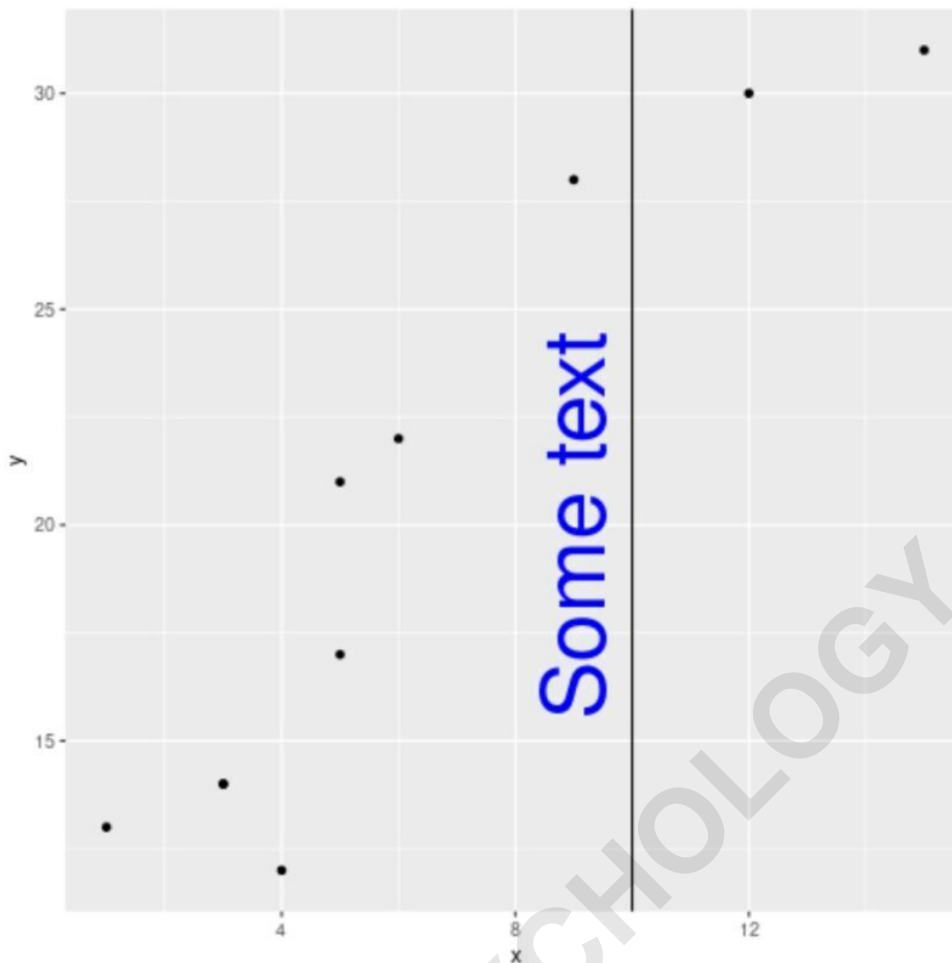
arguments to add a label with a custom size and color to a vertical line in ggplot2:

```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
#create data frame
```

```
df <- data.frame(x=c(1, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5, 6, 9, 12, 15),  
y=c(13, 14, 14, 12, 17, 21, 22, 28, 30, 31))
```

```
#create scatterplot with vertical line at x=10  
ggplot(df, aes(x=x, y=y)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_vline(xintercept=10) +  
  annotate("text", x=9, y=20, label="Some text", angle=90,  
size=15, color="blue")
```



Example 3: Add Multiple Labels to geom_vline

The following code shows how to use the `annotate()` function multiple times to add multiple labels to a vertical line in `ggplot2`:

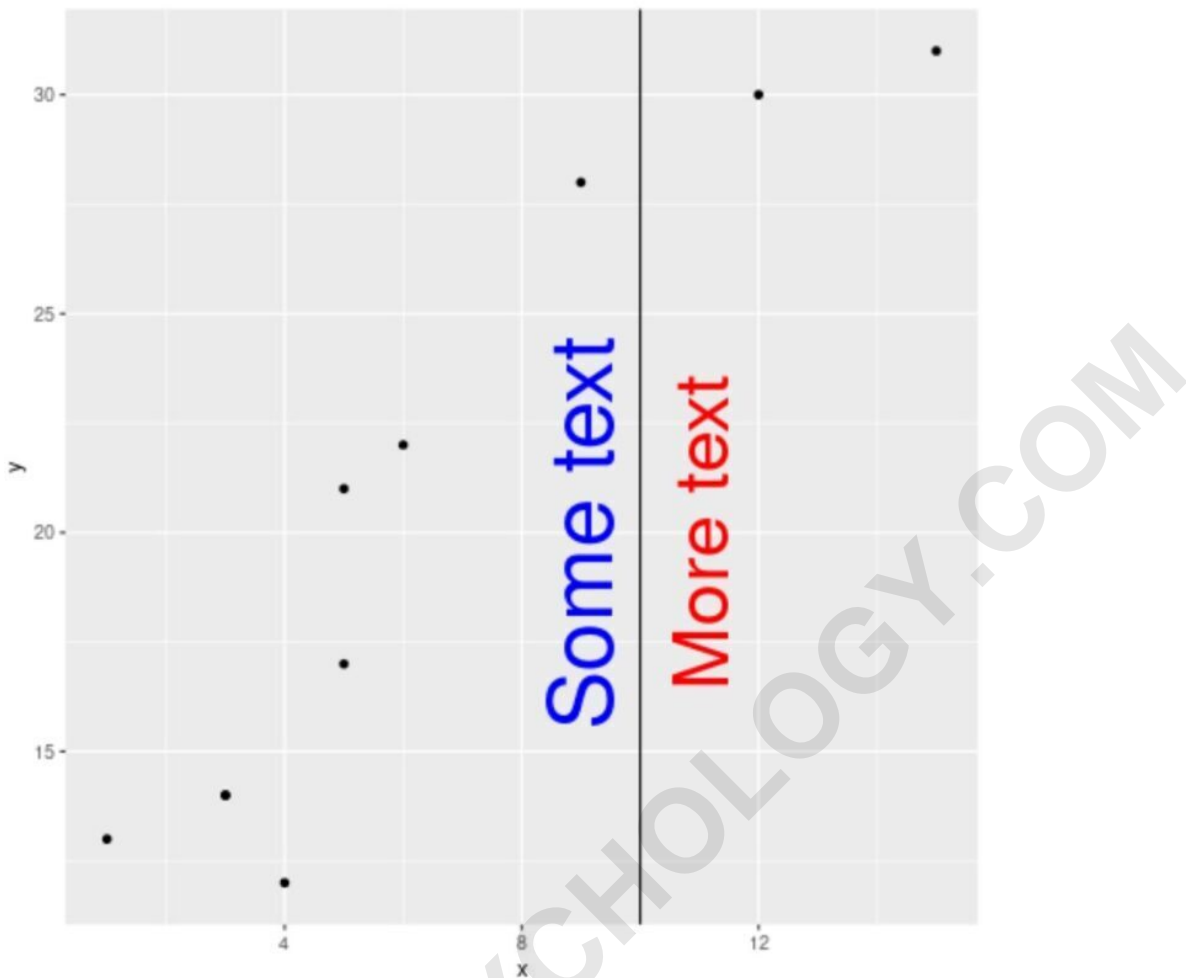
```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
#create data frame
```

```
df <- data.frame(x=c(1, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5, 6, 9, 12, 15),
```

```
y=c(13, 14, 14, 12, 17, 21, 22, 28, 30, 31))
```

```
#create scatterplot with vertical line at x=10ggplot(df,  
aes(x=x, y=y)) +  
geom_point() +  
geom_vline(xintercept=10) +  
annotate("text", x=9, y=20, label="Some text", angle=90,  
size=15, color="blue") +  
annotate("text", x=11, y=20, label="More text",  
angle=90, size=13, color="red")
```



Feel free to use the `annotate()` function as many times as you'd like to add as many labels as you'd like to the plot.

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