





Distributions









Comparisons







Proportions



x-y relationships





Graphs





Plotting with ggplot2

The **concept** behind **ggplot2** divides plot into three (even more) different **fundamental** parts: Plot = data + Aesthetics + Geometry

- data is a data frame
- Aesthetics is used to indicate x and y variables. It can also be used to control the color, the size or the shape of points, the height of bars, etc.....
- Geometry defines the type of graphics (histogram, box plot, line plot, density plot, dot plot,)
- All the rest....



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Data analysis



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• Categorical

• Quantitative

```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
data(Marriage, package = "mosaicData") # plot the distribution of race
    ggplot(Marriage, aes(x = race)) +
    geom_bar()
```

```
# plot the distribution of race with modified colors and labels
ggplot(Marriage, aes(x = race)) +
    geom_bar(fill = "cornflowerblue", color="black") +
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Percents

```
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ggplot(Marriage, aes(x = race, y = ..count.. / sum(..count..))) +
    geom_bar() +
    labs(x = "Race", y = "Percent", title = "Participants by race") +
    scale_y_continuous(labels = scales::percent)
```

Sorting categories

```
# calculate number of participants in # each race category
library(dplyr)
plotdata <- Marriage %>% count(race)
```

```
# plot the bars in ascending order
ggplot(plotdata, aes(x = reorder(race, n), y = n)) +
    geom_bar(stat = "identity") +
    labs(x = "Race", y = "Frequency", title = "Participants by race")
```

Participants by race



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Labeling

```
# plot the bars with numeric labels
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    geom_text(aes(label = n), vjust=-0.5) +
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Overlapping labels

```
# basic bar chart with overlapping labels
ggplot(Marriage, aes(x = officialTitle)) +
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```
library(ggplot2) # plot the age distribution using a histogram
    ggplot(Marriage, aes(x = age)) +
    geom_histogram() +
    labs(title = "Participants by age", x = "Age")
```







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Computes and draws kernel density estimate, which is a smoothed version of the histogram. This is a useful alternative to the histogram for continuous data that comes from an underlying smooth distribution.

(What??) Basically, we are trying to draw a smoothed histogram, where the area under the curve equals one.





Smoothing parameter

Create a kernel density plot of age
ggplot(Marriage, aes(x = age)) +
 geom_density() +
 labs(title = "Participants by age")

Create a kernel density plot of age
ggplot(Marriage, aes(x = age)) +
 geom_density(fill = "indianred3") +
 labs(title = "Participants by age")





Categorical vs. Categorical

Stacked bar chart

library(ggplot2)

stacked bar chart

ggplot(mpg, aes(x = class, fill = drv)) +
 geom_bar(position = "stack")

grouped bar plot

ggplot(mpg, aes(x = class, fill = drv)) +
 geom_bar(position = "dodge")





Categorical vs. Categorical

Stacked bar chart

```
# grouped bar plot preserving zero count bars
```

```
ggplot(mpg, aes(x = class, fill = drv)) +
    geom_bar(position = position_dodge(preserve = "single"))
```

```
# bar plot, with each bar representing 100%
ggplot(mpg, aes(x = class, fill = drv)) +
    geom_bar(position = "fill") +
    labs(y = "Proportion")
```







Effective communication through visualization









Categorical vs. Categorical

Improving the color and labeling

You can use additional options to improve color and labeling.

- factor modifies the order of the categories for the class variable and both the order and the labels for the drive variable
- scale_y_continuous modifies the y-axis tick mark labels
- labs provides a title and changed the labels for the x and y axes and the legend
- **scale_fill_brewer** changes the fill color scheme
- theme_minimal removes the grey background and changed the grid color

Categorical vs. Categorical

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Categorical vs. Categorical

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bar plot, with each bar representing 100%,
reordered bars, and better labels and colors

library(scales)



ggplot(mpg,

```
aes(x = factor(class, levels = c("2seater", "subcompact", "compact", "midsize", "minivan", "suv", "pickup")),
fill = factor(drv, levels = c("f", "r", "4"), labels = c("front-wheel", "rear-wheel", "4-wheel")))) +
geom_bar(position = "fill") +
scale_y_continuous(breaks = seq(0, 1, .2), label = percent) +
scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Set2") +
labs(y = "Percent", fill = "Drive Train", x = "Class", title = "Automobile Drive by Class") +
theme_minimal()
```

Quantitative vs. Quantitative

Scatterplot

```
data(Salaries, package="carData")
```

```
# simple scatterplot
ggplot(Salaries, aes(x = yrs.since.phd, y = salary)) +
geom_point()
```

scatterplot with linear fit line

```
ggplot(Salaries, aes(x = yrs.since.phd, y = salary)) +
geom_point(color= "steelblue") +
geom_smooth(method = "lm")
```







Quantitative vs. Quantitative

Line plot

```
data(gapminder, package="gapminder") # Select US cases
```

library(dplyr)

```
plotdata <- filter(gapminder, country == "United States")</pre>
```

```
# simple line plot
```

```
ggplot(plotdata, aes(x = year, y = lifeExp)) +
geom_line()
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Categorical vs. Quantitative

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Categorical vs. Quantitative

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```
# plot mean salaries
library(scales)
```

```
ggplot(plotdata, aes(x = factor(rank, labels =
c("Assistant\nProfessor", "Associate\nProfessor",
"Full\nProfessor")), y = mean_salary)) +
geom_bar(stat = "identity", fill = "cornflowerblue") +
geom_text(aes(label = dollar(mean_salary)), vjust = -0.25) +
scale_y_continuous(breaks = seq(0, 130000, 20000), label =
dollar) +
labs(title = "Mean Salary by Rank", subtitle = "9-month
academic salary for 2008-2009", x = "", y = "")
```







Categorical vs. Quantitative

Grouped kernel density plots

plot the distribution of salaries # by rank using kernel
density plots

ggplot(Salaries, aes(x = salary, fill = rank)) +
geom_density(alpha = 0.4) +
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Categorical vs. Quantitative

Boxplots







Categorical vs. Quantitative

Boxplots

plot the distribution of salaries by rank using boxplots

```
ggplot(Salaries, aes(x = rank, y = salary)) +
geom_boxplot(notch = TRUE, fill = "cornflowerblue", alpha = .7) +
labs(title = "Salary distribution by rank")
```





Categorical vs. Quantitative

Mean/SEM plots

calculate means, standard deviations, # standard
errors, and 95% confidence # intervals by rank

```
library(dplyr)
plotdata <- Salaries %>% group_by(rank) %>%
summarize(n = n(), mean = mean(salary), sd =
sd(salary), se = sd / sqrt(n), ci = qt(0.975, df =
n - 1) * sd / sqrt(n))
```

```
# plot the means and standard errors
ggplot(plotdata, aes(x = rank, y = mean, group =
1)) + geom_point(size = 3) + geom_line() +
geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = mean - se, ymax = mean +
se), width = .1)
```





Categorical vs. Quantitative

Mean/SEM plots

calculate means and standard errors by
rank and sex

plotdata <- Salaries %>% group_by(rank, sex)
%>% summarize(n = n(), mean = mean(salary),
sd = sd(salary), se = sd/sqrt(n))





Categorical vs. Quantitative

Mean/SEM plots

```
# improved means/standard error plot
pd <- position_dodge(0.2)
ggplot(plotdata,
    aes(x = factor(rank, labels = c("Assistant\nProfessor",
"Associate\nProfessor", "Full\nProfessor")), y = mean, group=sex,
color=sex)) +
geom_point(position=pd, size = 3) + geom_line(position = pd, size = 1) +
geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = mean - se, ymax = mean + se), width = .1,
position = pd, size = 1) + scale_y_continuous(label = scales::dollar) +
scale_color_brewer(palette="Set1") + theme_minimal() +
labs(title = "Mean salary by rank and sex", subtitle = "(mean +/-
standard error)", x = "", y = "", color = "Gender")
```







plot the distribution of salaries # by rank using jittering

library(scales)

```
ggplot(Salaries, aes(y = factor(rank, labels = c("Assistant\nProfessor", "Associate\nProfessor",
"Full\nProfessor")), x = salary, color = rank)) +
geom_jitter(alpha = 0.7, size = 1.5) + scale_x_continuous(label = dollar) +
labs(title = "Academic Salary by Rank", subtitle = "9-month salary for 2008-2009", x = "", y = "") +
theme_minimal() +
theme(legend.position = "none")
Academic Salary by Rank
```







Correlation plots

Correlation plots help you to visualize the pairwise relationships between a set of **quantitative variables** by displaying their correlations using color or shading.

In order to explore the relationships among the quantitative variables, we can calculate the Pearson Product-Moment correlation coefficients.

```
data(SaratogaHouses, package="mosaicData")
```

select numeric variables
df <- dplyr::select_if(SaratogaHouses, is.numeric)</pre>

calulate the correlations
r <- cor(df, use="complete.obs") round(r,2)</pre>







Linear Regression

Linear regression allows us to explore the relationship between a quantitative response variable and an explanatory variable while other variables are held constant.

Consider the prediction of home prices in the <u>Saratoga</u> dataset from lot size (square feet), age (years), land value (1000s dollars), living area (square feet), number of bedrooms and bathrooms and whether the home is on the waterfront or not.

```
data(SaratogaHouses, package="mosaicData")
```

```
houses_lm <- lm(price ~ lotSize + age + landValue +
livingArea + bedrooms + bathrooms + waterfront, data =
SaratogaHouses)</pre>
```

```
# conditional plot of price vs. living area
```

```
library(ggplot2)
library(visreg)
visreg(houses_lm, "livingArea", gg = TRUE)
```





Survival plots

In many research settings, the response variable is the time to an event. This is frequently true in healthcare research, where we are interested in time to recovery, time to death, or time to relapse.

If the event has not occurred for an observation (either because the study ended or the patient dropped out) the observation is said to be *censored*.

plot survival curve

```
library(survival)
library(survminer)
data(lung)
```

```
sfit <- survfit(Surv(time, status) ~ 1, data=lung)
ggsurvplot(sfit, title="Kaplan-Meier curve for lung
cancer survival")</pre>
```

The outcome for each patient is measured by two variables

•time - survival time in days

```
•status - 1=censored, 2=dead
```



