Introduction to R

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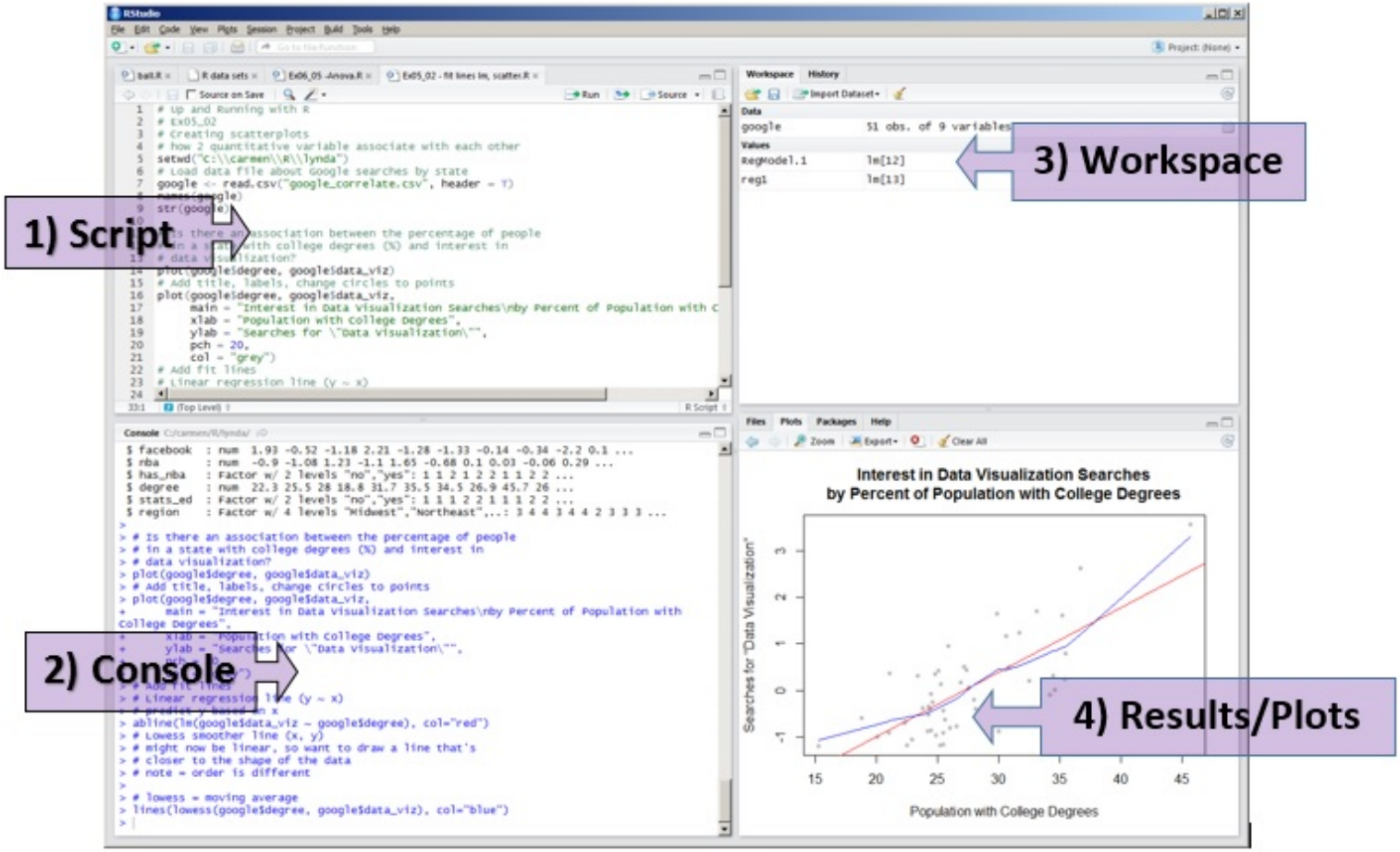
R and RStudio



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What about RStudio?

- Makes your life easier
- Many handy tricks. So far we have seen:
  - Autocomplete suggestion (all alone or press tab)
  - Ctrl-Enter to send command to R
  - str() and View() objects in Environment

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  mydata[2] <- 4
  mydata

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mean(c(2,4,5,1))

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mean(mydata)

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mean(x = mydata)

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str(trees)

'data.frame': 31 obs. of  3 variables:
 $ Girth : num  8.3 8.6 8.8 10.5 10.7 10.8 11 11 11.1 11.2 ...
 $ Height: num  70 65 63 72 81 83 66 75 80 75 ...
 $ Volume: num  10.3 10.3 10.2 16.4 18.8 19.7 15.6 18.2 22.6 19.9 ...
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Try also `summary`, `class`, `head`, `tail`

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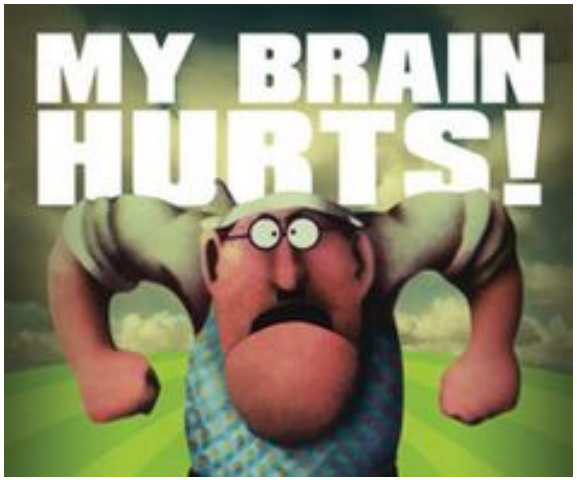
```
trees[,1]
trees[1:8,]
trees[c(2,1,2), 3]
trees[, "Height"]
```

Dollar-syntax

- Column `dataframe$column_name`
- Element `dataframe$column_name[row]`

```
trees$Height
```

Finally time to think a tiny bit!



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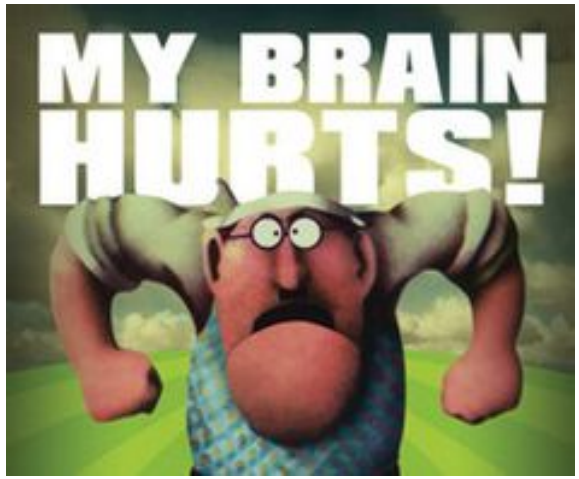
Solution for one column



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```
mean(trees$Girth[1:30])
mean(trees[1:30, "Girth"])
mean(trees$Girth[-31])
mean(trees[-31, "Girth"])
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```
ResultMean <- vector() # we will store the results there
for (i in 1:31)
{
  ResultMean[i] <- mean(as.numeric(trees[i,]))
}
```

For-loops: your turn!

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```
storage <- vector(length = ncol(rock))
for (i in 1:ncol(rock))
{
  storage[i] <- mean(rock[,i])
}
```

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```
apply(X = rock, MARGIN = 1, FUN = mean)#by row (not meaningful)
apply(X = rock, MARGIN = 2, FUN = mean)#by column
```

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colMeans(rock)
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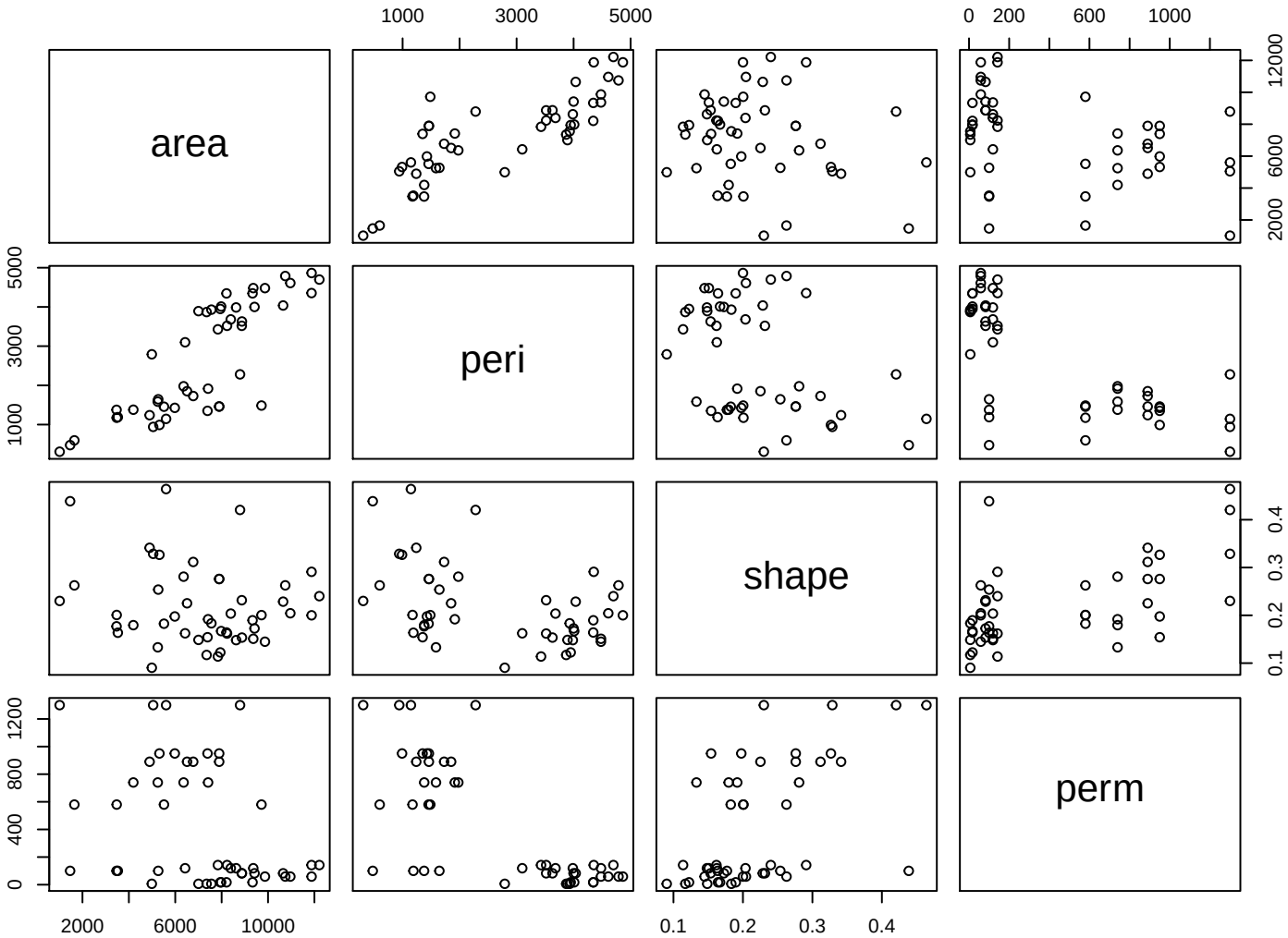
Trade-off concision / flexibility

- colMeans shortest, but does only means
- apply very flexible, but does only array/matrix/data-frame
- for-loop looks complex, but infinitely flexible
- (NB: your computer does a for-loop whether you see it or not)

plot function

```
plot(rock)
```



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plot(rock$peri)
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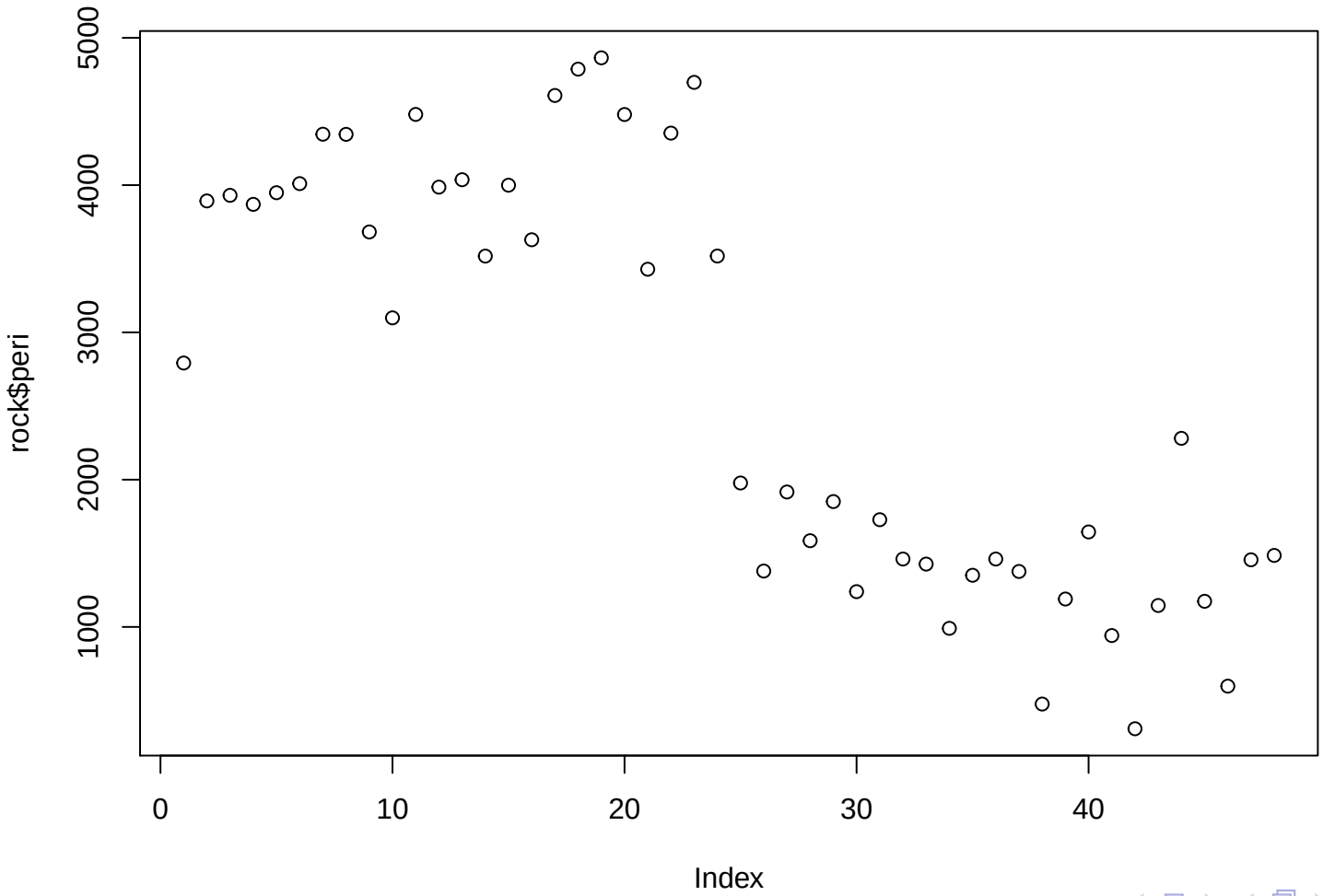

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plot(x = rock$peri, y = rock$area)
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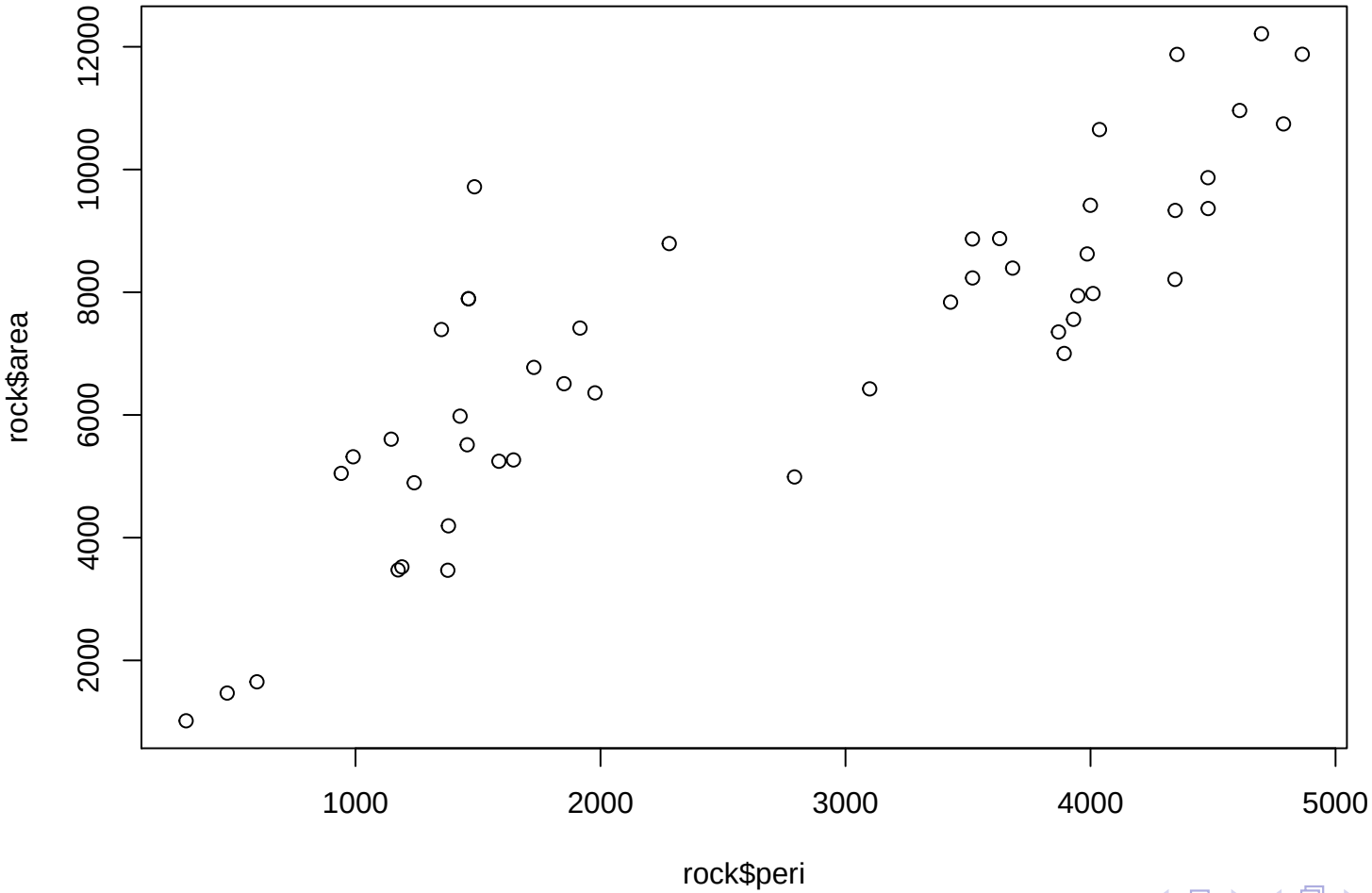

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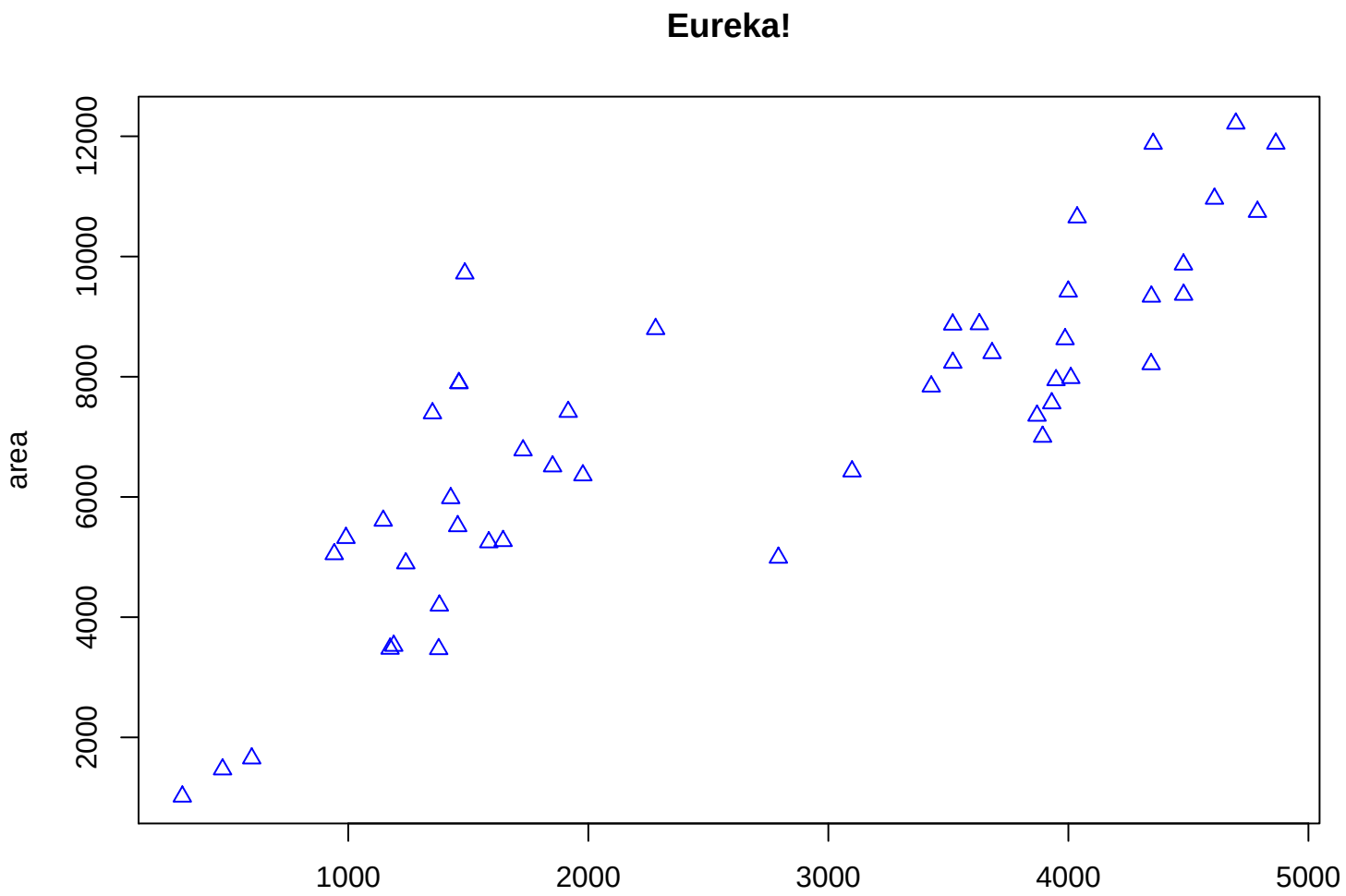
```
plot(x = rock$peri, y = rock$area, main = "Eureka!",
     xlab = "Perimeter", ylab = "area", col="blue", pch=2)
```



plot function: back to the mean

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data("iris")
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plot(iris$Sepal.Length, col=iris$Species)
```
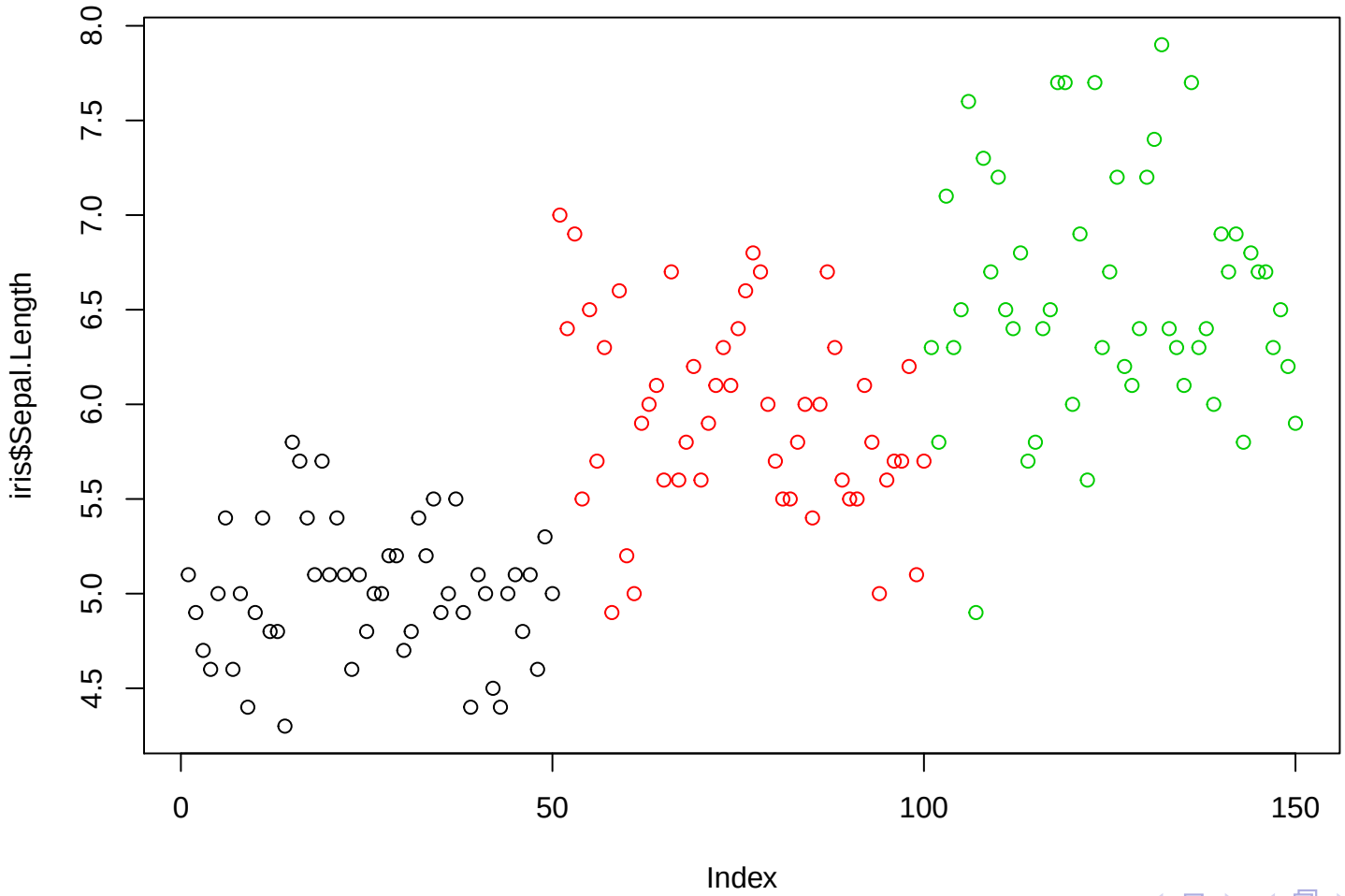
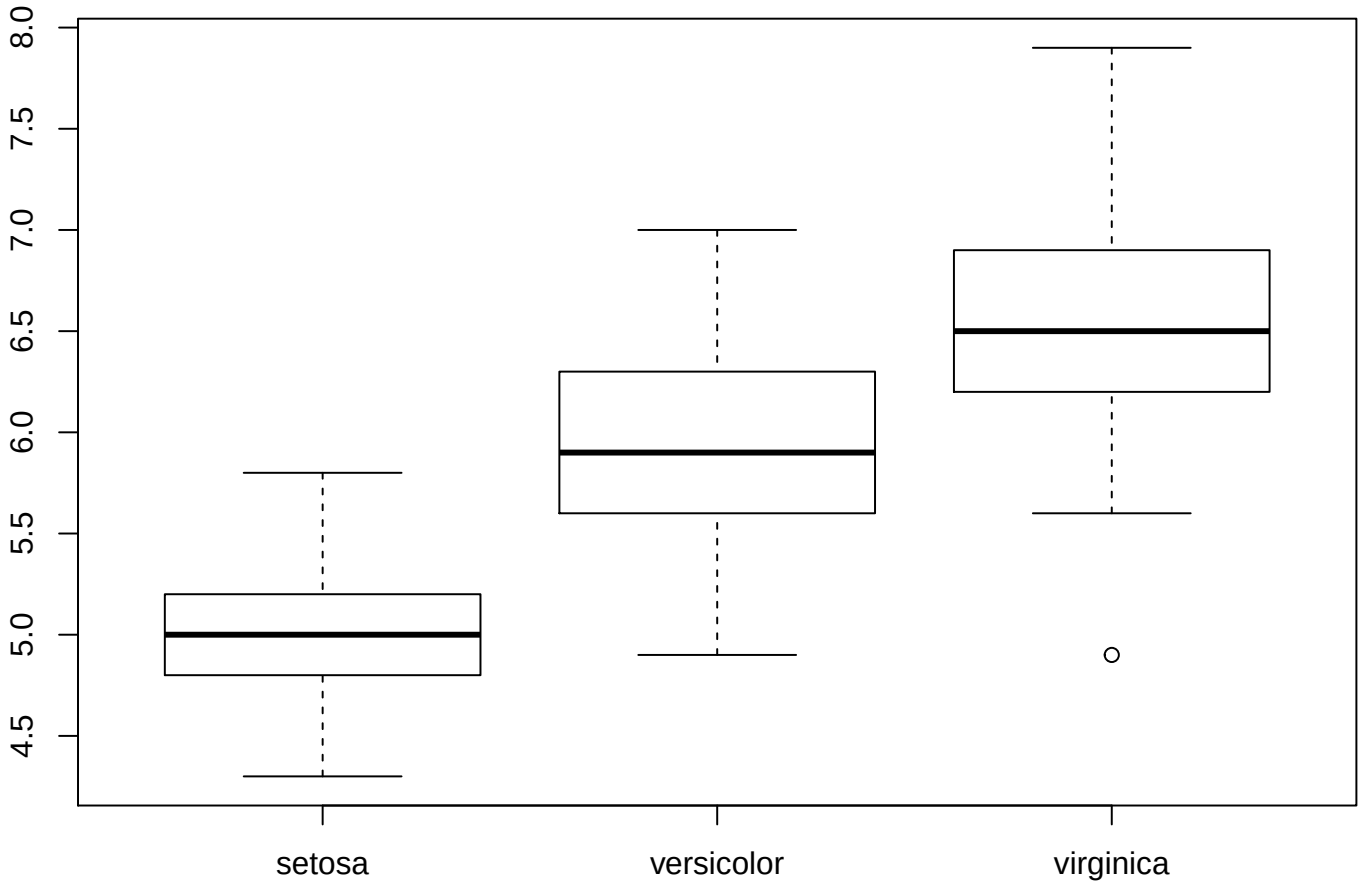



boxplots

```
boxplot(iris$Sepal.Length ~ iris$Species)
```



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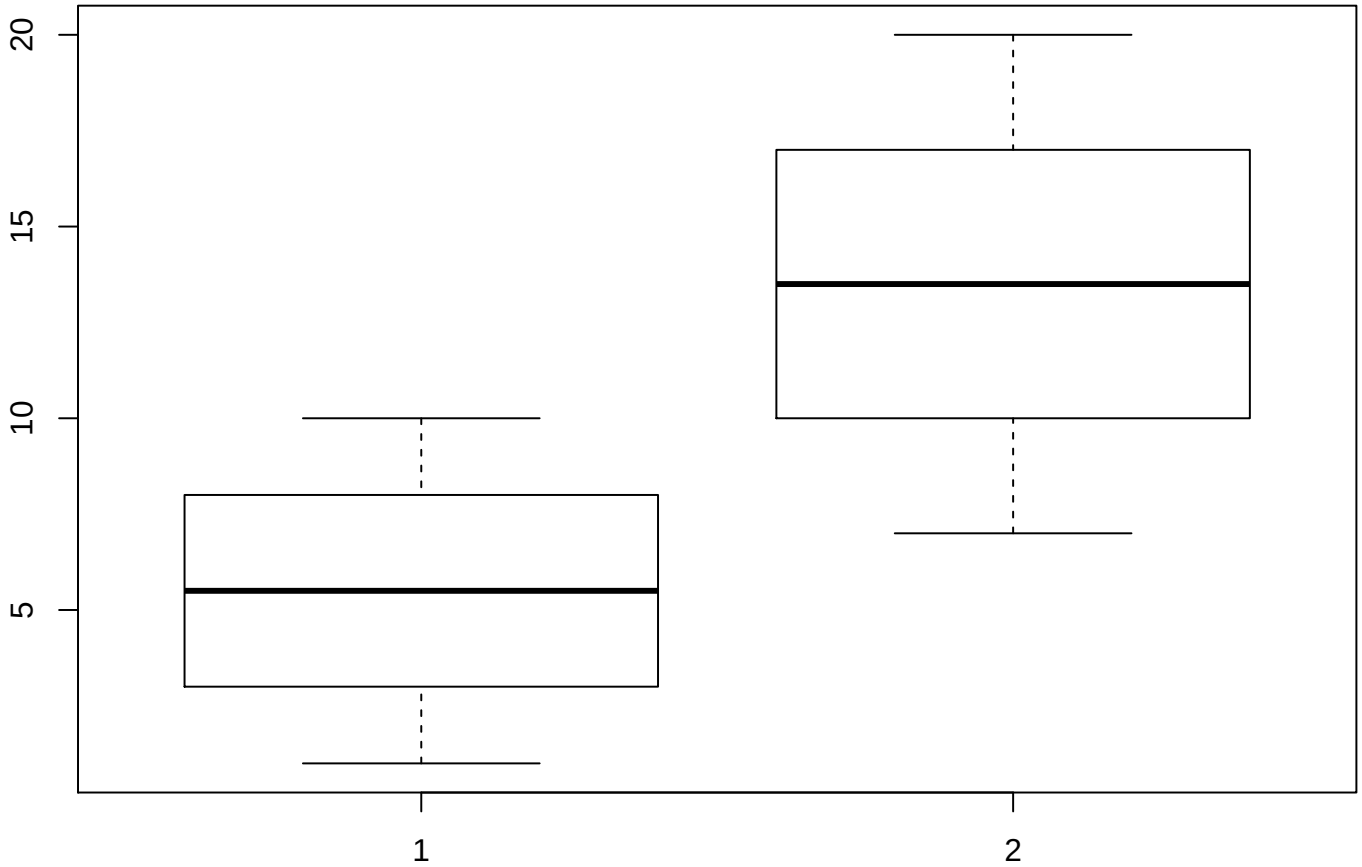
```
t.test(1:10, y = c(7:20))


Welch Two Sample t-test

data:  1:10 and c(7:20)
t = -5.4349, df = 21.982, p-value = 1.855e-05
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 -11.052802  -4.947198
sample estimates:
mean of x mean of y
      5.5      13.5
```

T.test introduction

```
boxplot(c(1:10, 7:20) ~ c(rep(1,10), rep(2, 14)))
```



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Sorry, I was mean and forgot to tell about subsetting, which you needed here.
Subset to the species *setosa*:

```
iris[iris$Species == "setosa", ]
```

One t-test for sepal length between *setosa* and *versicolor*:

```
t.test(x = iris$Sepal.Length[iris$Species == "setosa"],
       y = iris$Sepal.Length[iris$Species == "versicolor"])
```