Statistics One

Lecture 6
Correlations in R

Two segments

- Scatterplots and correlations in R
- Test/re-test reliability analysis in R

Lecture 6 Segment 1

Scatterplots and correlations in R

Goal

- Write a script in R
 - Histograms
 - Descriptive statistics
 - Scatterplots
 - Correlations

Example

- Data from ImPACT
 - A computerized neuropsychological assessment of memory and attention
 - Used to assess the cognitive effects of head trauma, for example, sports-related concussion

ImPACT website



ImPACT main measures

- Verbal memory
- Visual memory
- Visual motor speed
- Reaction time
- Impulse control

ImPACT data

- Data are available in the following file:
 - STATS1.EX.02.TXT

• First line(s) of code should be comments

Statistics One, Lecture 6, example script

Read data, plot histograms, get descriptives, examine scatterplots, run correlations

• Read data into a dataframe called "impact" impact <- read.table("STATS1.EX.02.TXT", header = T)

• Explore the contents of the dataframe class(impact)

R will return "data.frame"

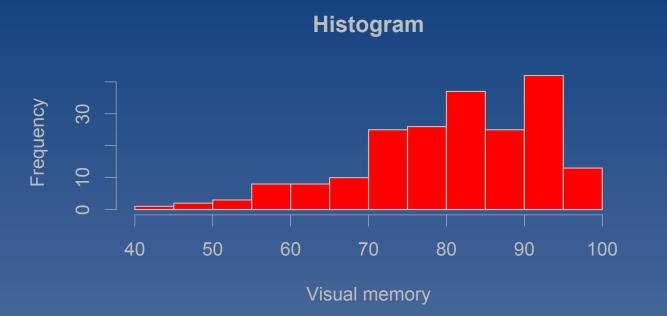
• Explore the contents of the dataframe names(impact)

R will return names of variables

Plot histograms

```
hist(impact$memory.visual, xlab = "Visual memory", main = "Histogram", col = "red")
```

Visual memory distribution



• Get descriptive statistics describe(impact)

Descriptive statistics

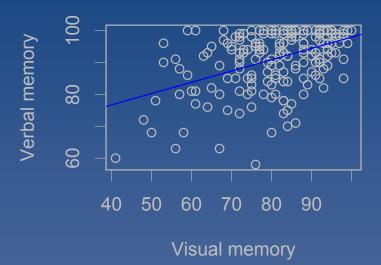
```
> describe(impact)
                                sd median trimmed
                                                         min
                                                                max range
                                                                           skew kurtosis
                                                   mad
                        mean
                 1 200 91.27 9.20
                                            92.71 7.41 58.00 100.00 42.00 -1.26
memory.verbal
                                   94.00
                                                                                    1.19 0.65
                                            82.34 11.86 41.00 100.00 59.00 -0.80
memory.visual
                 2 200 81.20 11.75
                                   83.00
                                                                                    0.29 0.83
speed.vismotor
                 3 200 45.56 6.25 47.04
                                            46.25 5.74 19.10 54.50 35.40 -1.03
                                                                                    1.08 0.44
                 4 200 0.54 0.08
speed.general
                                     0.53
                                             0.54
                                                  0.06 0.41
                                                               0.98 0.57 1.77
                                                                                    6.33 0.01
impulse.control
                 5 200 4.64 3.56
                                     4.00
                                             4.17 2.97 0.00 24.00 24.00 1.70
                                                                                    4.93 0.25
```

• Scatterplots

```
plot(impact$memory.verbal ~ impact$memory.visual, main =
"Scatterplot", ylab = "Verbal memory", xlab = "Visual memory")
abline(lm(impact$memory.verbal ~ impact$memory.visual),
col="blue")
```

Verbal by visual memory

Scatterplot



- Correlations
 - One pair at a time cor(impact\$memory.verbal, impact\$memory.visual)

- Correlations
 - One pair at a time, testing for significance cor.test(impact\$memory.verbal, impact\$memory.visual)

Verbal and visual memory r

Pearson's product-moment correlation

```
data: impact$memory.verbal and impact$memory.visual
t = 7.1196, df = 198, p-value = 1.951e-11
alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
    0.3336243    0.5554192
sample estimates:
        cor
    0.4514681
```

- Correlations
 - All in a matrixcor(impact)

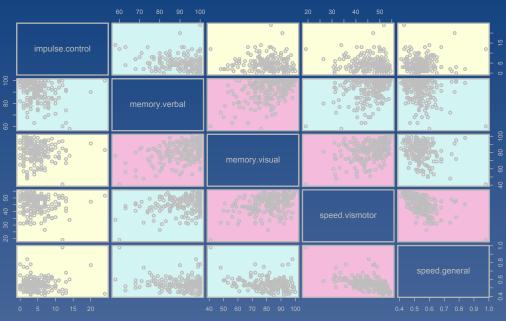
Correlation matrix

```
> # Correlations (all in a matrix)
> cor(impact)
                memory.verbal memory.visual speed.vismotor speed.general impulse.control
                                 0.45146807
                                                              -0.18140863
memory.verbal
                    1.0000000
                                                0.31402025
                                                                              -0.28531086
memory.visual
                    0.4514681
                                 1.00000000
                                                0.37008353
                                                              -0.25851977
                                                                              -0.07425865
speed.vismotor
                    0.3140202
                                 0.37008353
                                                1.00000000
                                                             -0.54662062
                                                                              -0.09116694
speed.general
                   -0.1814086
                                -0.25851977
                                               -0.54662062
                                                              1.00000000
                                                                               0.00739429
                   -0.2853109
impulse.control
                                -0.07425865
                                               -0.09116694
                                                              0.00739429
                                                                               1.00000000
```

- Fancy scatterplot matrix
 - For code, see final script

Scatterplot matrix

Variables Ordered and Colored by Correlation



Final script (part 1)

```
# Statistics One, Lecture 6, example script
# Read data, plot historgrams, get descriptives, examine scatterplots, run correlations
library(psych)

# Read the data into a dataframe called impact
impact <- read.table("STATS1.EX.02.TXT", header = T)

# What type of object is impact?
class(impact)

# List the names of the variables in the dataframe called impact
names(impact)</pre>
```

Final script (part 2)

```
# Change default settings for graphics
par(cex = 2, lwd = 2, col.axis = 200, col.lab = 200, col.main = 200, col.sub = 200, fg = 200)

# Plot histograms
hist(impact$memory.verbal, xlab = "Verbal memory", main = "Histogram", col = "red")
hist(impact$memory.visual, xlab = "Visual memory", main = "Histogram", col = "red")
hist(impact$speed.vismotor, xlab = "Visual-motor speed", main = "Histogram", col = "red")
hist(impact$speed.general, xlab = "General speed", main = "Histogram", col = "red")
hist(impact$impulse.control, xlab = "Impulse control", main = "Histogram", col = "red")

# Descriptive statistics for the variables in the dataframe called impact
describe(impact)
```

Final script (part 3)

```
# Scatterplots (one pair at a time)
plot(impact$memory.verbal~impact$memory.visual, main = "Scatterplot", ylab = "Verbal memory", xlab = "Visual memory")
abline(lm(impact$memory.verbal~impact$memory.visual), col="blue")

# Correlations (one pair at a time)
cor.test(impact$memory.verbal, impact$memory.visual)

# Correlations (all in a matrix)
cor(impact)
```

Final script (part 4)

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