

Class 10: Halloween Mini-Project

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Today we will examine data from 538 on common Halloween candy. We will use ggplot, dplyr, and PCA to make sense of this multivariate dataset.

```
# load in libraries
library(ggplot2)
library(dplyr)
```

Attaching package: 'dplyr'

The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':

filter, lag

The following objects are masked from 'package:base':

intersect, setdiff, setequal, union

1. Importing candy data

```
# by url
url <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/fivethirtyeight/data/master/candy-power-ranking/candy_data.csv"
candy <- read.delim(url, sep = ",")
```

```
candy_file <- "candy-data.csv"

candy = read.csv(candy_file, row.names=1)
head(candy)
```

	chocolate	fruity	caramel	peanutyalmondy	nougat	crisped	ricewafer
100 Grand	1	0	1	0	0		1
3 Musketeers	1	0	0	0	1		0
One dime	0	0	0	0	0		0
One quarter	0	0	0	0	0		0
Air Heads	0	1	0	0	0		0
Almond Joy	1	0	0	1	0		0

	hard	bar	pluribus	sugarpercent	pricepercent	winpercent
100 Grand	0	1	0	0.732	0.860	66.97173
3 Musketeers	0	1	0	0.604	0.511	67.60294
One dime	0	0	0	0.011	0.116	32.26109
One quarter	0	0	0	0.011	0.511	46.11650
Air Heads	0	0	0	0.906	0.511	52.34146
Almond Joy	0	1	0	0.465	0.767	50.34755

Q1. How many different candy types are in this dataset?

There are 85 different candies in this dataset.

```
nrow(candy)
```

```
[1] 85
```

Q2. How many fruity candy types are in the dataset?

There are 38 fruity candy types in this dataset.

```
sum(candy$fruity)
```

```
[1] 38
```

2. What is your favorite candy?

Q3. What is your favorite candy in the dataset and what is its winpercent value?

My favorite candy is Reese's Peanut Butter cups. It has a winpercent value of **84.18029**.

```
candy["Reese's Peanut Butter cup",]$winpercent
```

```
[1] 84.18029
```

Q4. What is the winpercent value for "Kit Kat"?

The win percent value for Kit kat is **76.7686**.

```
candy["Kit Kat","winpercent"]
```

```
[1] 76.7686
```

Q5. What is the winpercent value for "Tootsie Roll Snack Bars"?

The win percent value for Tootsie Roll Snack Bars is **49.6535**.

```
candy["Tootsie Roll Snack Bars",]$winpercent
```

```
[1] 49.6535
```

```
library("skimr")
skim(candy)
```

Table 1: Data summary

Name	candy
Number of rows	85
Number of columns	12

Column type frequency:	
numeric	12
Group variables	None

Variable type: numeric

skim_variable	n_missing	complete_rate	mean	sd	p0	p25	p50	p75	p100	hist
chocolate	0	1	0.44	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	
fruity	0	1	0.45	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	
caramel	0	1	0.16	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	
peanutyalmondy	0	1	0.16	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	
nougat	0	1	0.08	0.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	
crispedricewafer	0	1	0.08	0.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	
hard	0	1	0.18	0.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	
bar	0	1	0.25	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	
pluribus	0	1	0.52	0.50	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	
sugarpercent	0	1	0.48	0.28	0.01	0.22	0.47	0.73	0.99	
pricepercent	0	1	0.47	0.29	0.01	0.26	0.47	0.65	0.98	
winpercent	0	1	50.32	14.71	22.45	39.14	47.83	59.86	84.18	

Q6. Is there any variable/column that looks to be on a different scale to the majority of the other columns in the dataset?

It seems that winpercent row is different than the majority of the other columns in the dataset. The other columns range from 0 to 1 while winpercent goes from 14%-84%.

Q7. What do you think a zero and one represent for the candy\$chocolate column?

It represents whether or not the candy contains chocolate (1) or if it does not (0).

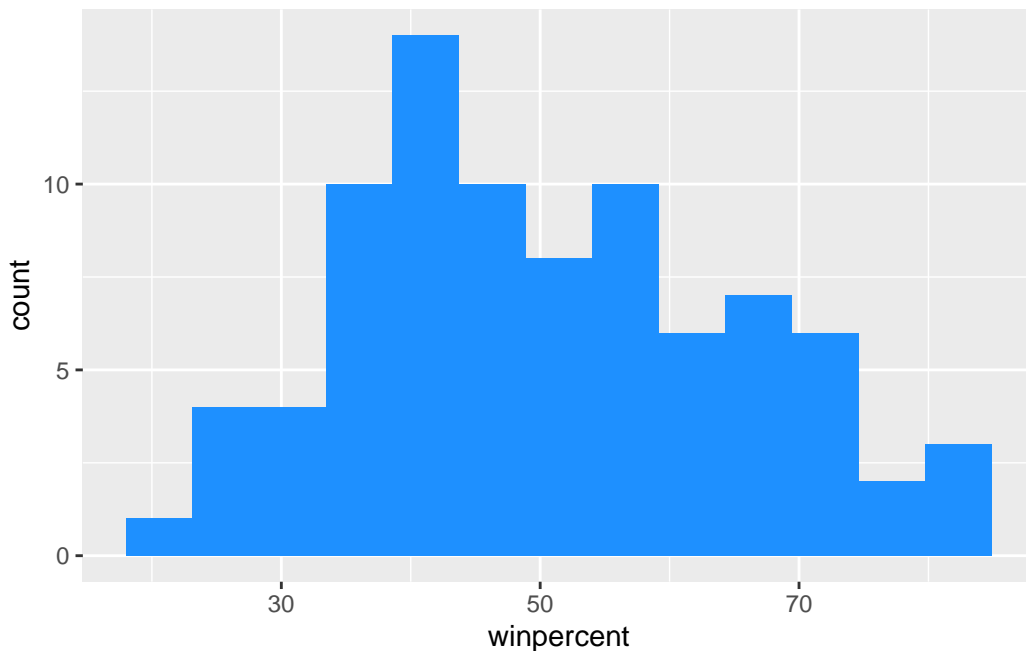
```
head(candy)
```

	chocolate	fruity	caramel	peanutyalmondy	nougat	crispedricewafer
100 Grand	1	0	1	0	0	1
3 Musketeers	1	0	0	0	1	0
One dime	0	0	0	0	0	0
One quarter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Air Heads	0	1	0	0	0	0

Almond Joy	1	0	0	1	0	0
	hard	bar	pluribus	sugarpercent	pricepercent	winpercent
100 Grand	0	1	0	0.732	0.860	66.97173
3 Musketeers	0	1	0	0.604	0.511	67.60294
One dime	0	0	0	0.011	0.116	32.26109
One quarter	0	0	0	0.011	0.511	46.11650
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Almond Joy	0	1	0	0.465	0.767	50.34755

Q8. Plot a histogram of winpercent values

```
ggplot(candy, aes(x=winpercent)) +  
  geom_histogram(bins=13, fill="dodgerblue")
```



Q9. Is the distribution of winpercent values symmetrical?

No the distribution is not symmetrical. The data is slightly skewed towards the left side of the graph, or a lower win percent value.

Q10. Is the center of the distribution above or below 50%?

The center of the distribution is around 50%. The median is below 50% but the mean is at 50.32%.

```
summary(candy$winpercent)
```

Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.
22.45	39.14	47.83	50.32	59.86	84.18

Q11. On average is chocolate candy higher or lower ranked than fruit candy?

On average, the chocolate candy is ranked higher than the fruit candy.

```
chocolate_win <- candy$winpercent[(candy$chocolate) == 1]
mean.choc_win <- mean(chocolate_win)
fruit_win <- candy$winpercent[as.logical(candy$fruity)]
mean.fruit_win <- mean(fruit_win)

paste("chocolate:", mean.choc_win, "fruit:", mean.fruit_win, sep=" ")
```

```
[1] "chocolate: 60.9215294054054 fruit: 44.1197414210526"
```

Q12. Is this difference statistically significant?

This difference is statistically significant. The p-value of the chocolate and fruit data is < 0.05 which suggests that the difference is statistically significant.

```
t.test(chocolate_win, fruit_win)
```

Welch Two Sample t-test

```
data: chocolate_win and fruit_win
t = 6.2582, df = 68.882, p-value = 2.871e-08
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 11.44563 22.15795
sample estimates:
mean of x mean of y
 60.92153  44.11974
```

3. Overall Candy Rankings

Q13. What are the five least liked candy types in this set?

The five least liked candy types are: Nik L Nip, Boston Baked Beans, Chiclets, Super Bubble, and Jawbusters.

```
head(arrange(candy, winpercent), 5)
```

	chocolate	fruity	caramel	peanut	almond	nougat		
Nik L Nip	0	1	0		0	0		
Boston Baked Beans	0	0	0		1	0		
Chiclets	0	1	0		0	0		
Super Bubble	0	1	0		0	0		
Jawbusters	0	1	0		0	0		
	crisped	rice	wafer	hard	bar	pluribus	sugar	percent
Nik L Nip				0	0	0	1	0.197
Boston Baked Beans				0	0	0	1	0.313
Chiclets				0	0	0	1	0.046
Super Bubble				0	0	0	0	0.162
Jawbusters				0	1	0	1	0.093
	winpercent							
Nik L Nip	22.44534							
Boston Baked Beans	23.41782							
Chiclets	24.52499							
Super Bubble	27.30386							
Jawbusters	28.12744							

Q14. What are the top 5 all time favorite candy types out of this set?

The top 5 all time favorite candy types is Reese's Peanut Butter cup, Reese's Miniatures, Twix, Kit Kat, and Snickers.

```
head(arrange(candy, desc(winpercent)), 5)
```

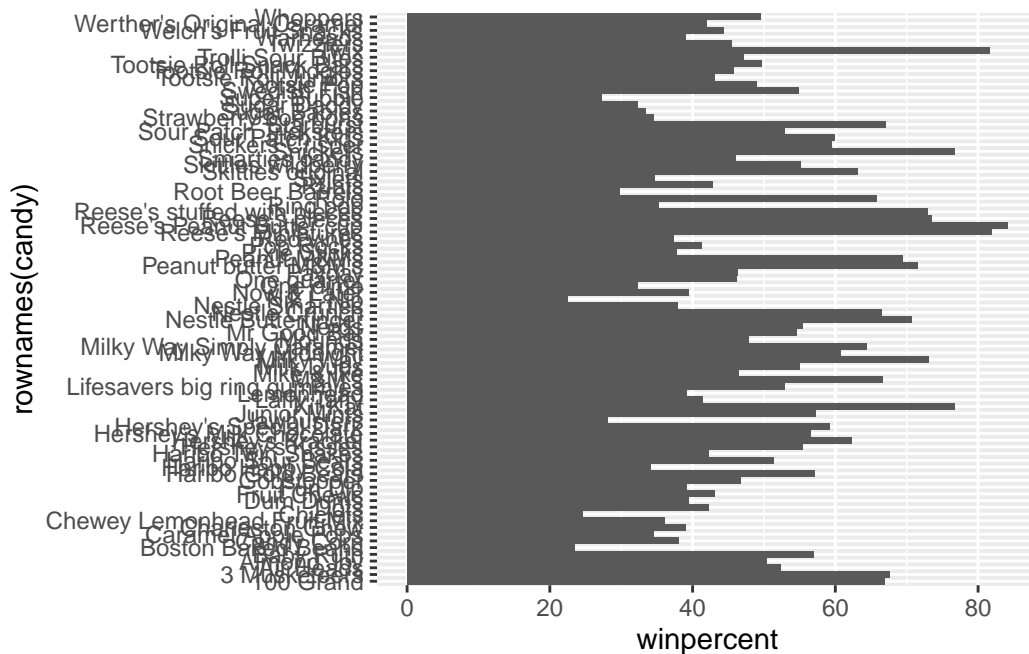
	chocolate	fruity	caramel	peanut	almond	nougat		
Reese's Peanut Butter cup	1	0	0		1	0		
Reese's Miniatures	1	0	0		1	0		
Twix	1	0	1		0	0		
Kit Kat	1	0	0		0	0		
Snickers	1	0	1		1	1		
	crisped	rice	wafer	hard	bar	pluribus	sugar	percent

Reese's Peanut Butter cup	0	0	0	0	0.720
Reese's Miniatures	0	0	0	0	0.034
Twix	1	0	1	0	0.546
Kit Kat	1	0	1	0	0.313
Snickers	0	0	1	0	0.546

	pricepercent	winpercent
Reese's Peanut Butter cup	0.651	84.18029
Reese's Miniatures	0.279	81.86626
Twix	0.906	81.64291
Kit Kat	0.511	76.76860
Snickers	0.651	76.67378

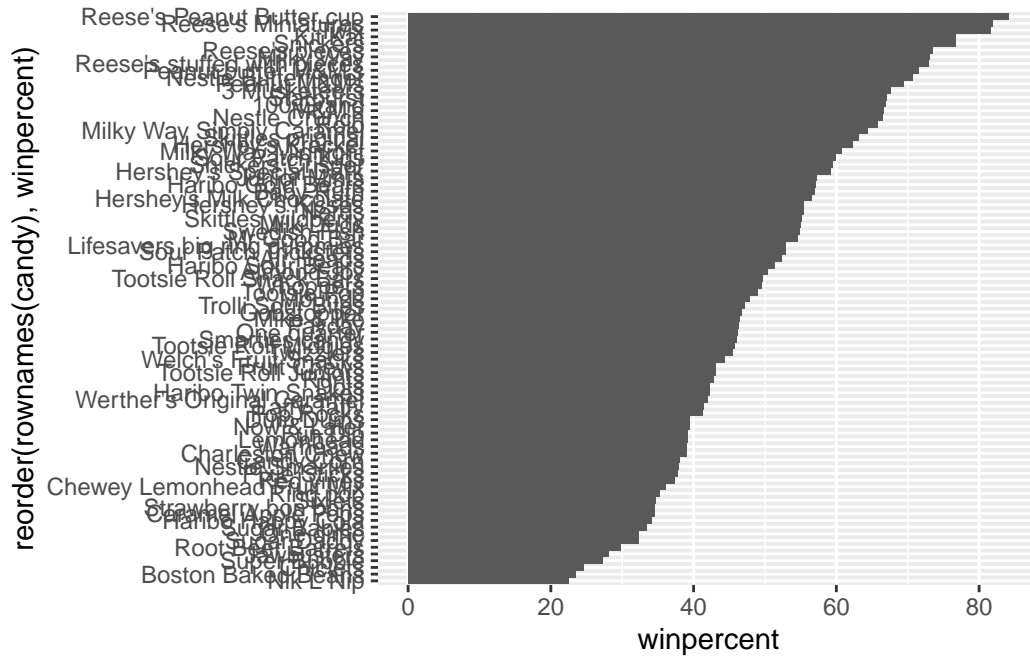
Q15. Make a first barplot of candy ranking based on winpercent values.

```
ggplot(candy) +
  aes(winpercent, rownames(candy)) +
  geom_col(position = "dodge")
```



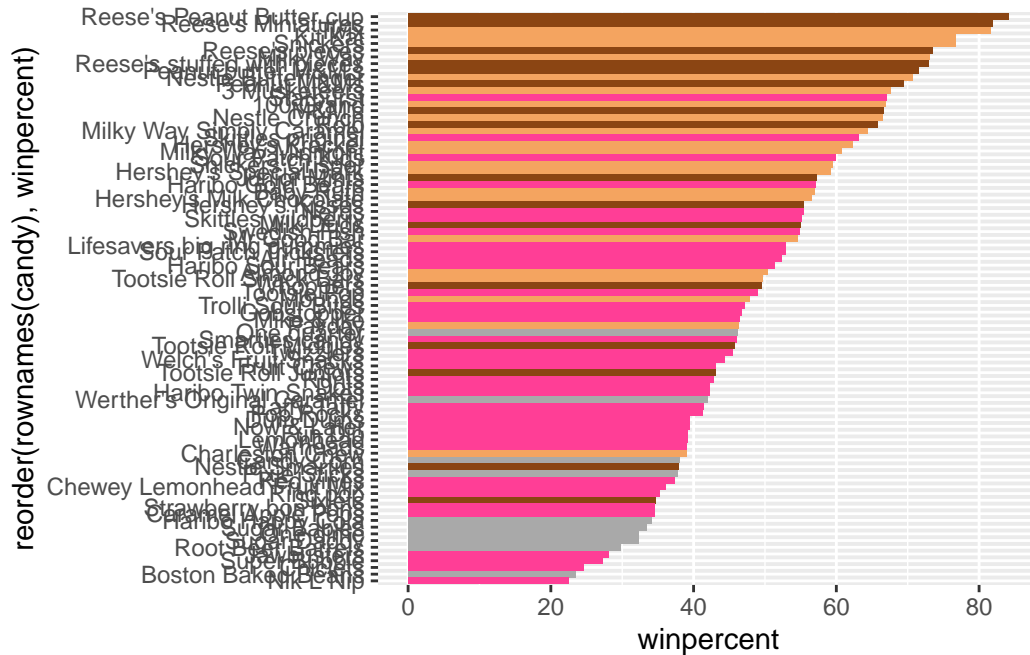
Q16. This is quite ugly, use the reorder() function to get the bars sorted by winpercent?


```
ggplot(candy) +
  aes(winpercent, reorder(rownames(candy),winpercent)) +
  geom_col()
```



```
my_cols=rep("darkgrey", nrow(candy))
my_cols[as.logical(candy$chocolate)] = "chocolate4"
my_cols[as.logical(candy$bar)] = "sandybrown"
my_cols[as.logical(candy$fruity)] = "violetred1"
```

```
ggplot(candy) +
  aes(winpercent, reorder(rownames(candy),winpercent)) +
  geom_col(fill=my_cols)
```



Q17. What is the worst ranked chocolate candy?

The worst ranked chocolate candy are Sixlets.

Q18. What is the best ranked fruity candy?

The best ranked fruit candy are Starbursts

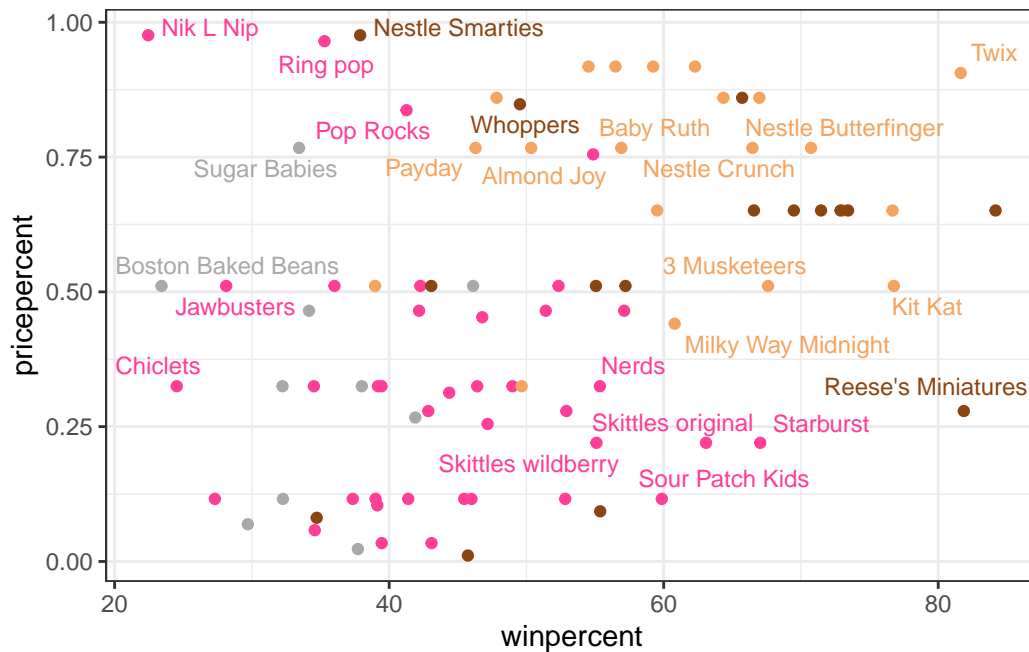
4. Taking a look at pricepercent

```
# package to avoid over-plotting
library(ggrepel)
```

Warning: package 'ggrepel' was built under R version 4.4.1

```
ggplot(candy) +
  aes(winpercent, pricepercent, label=rownames(candy)) +
  geom_point(col=my_cols) +
  geom_text_repel(col=my_cols, size=3.3, max.overlaps = 6) +
  theme_bw()
```

Warning: ggrepel: 61 unlabeled data points (too many overlaps). Consider increasing max.overlaps



Q19. Which candy type is the highest ranked in terms of winpercent for the least money - i.e. offers the most bang for your buck?

Reese's Miniatures, Starburst, Sour Patch Kids, and Skittles original candy are highly ranked candy that do not cost a lot of money.

Q20. What are the top 5 most expensive candy types in the dataset and of these which is the least popular?

The top. 5 most expensive candy types in the dataset are Nik L Nip, Nestle Smarties, Ring pop, Mr Good Bar, and Hershey's Milk Chocolate. The least popular candy is Nik L Nip.

```
head(arrange(candy, desc(pricepercent), winpercent))
```

	chocolate	fruity	caramel	peanutyalmondy	nougat
Nik L Nip	0	1	0	0	0
Nestle Smarties	1	0	0	0	0
Ring pop	0	1	0	0	0
Mr Good Bar	1	0	0	1	0
Hershey's Milk Chocolate	1	0	0	0	0

Hershey's Special Dark	1	0	0	0	0
	crispedricewafer	hard	bar	pluribus	sugarpercent
Nik L Nip		0	0	0	1
Nestle Smarties		0	0	0	1
Ring pop		0	1	0	0
Mr Good Bar		0	0	1	0
Hershey's Milk Chocolate		0	0	1	0
Hershey's Special Dark		0	0	1	0
	pricepercent	winpercent			
Nik L Nip	0.976	22.44534			
Nestle Smarties	0.976	37.88719			
Ring pop	0.965	35.29076			
Mr Good Bar	0.918	54.52645			
Hershey's Milk Chocolate	0.918	56.49050			
Hershey's Special Dark	0.918	59.23612			

5. Exploring the correlation structure

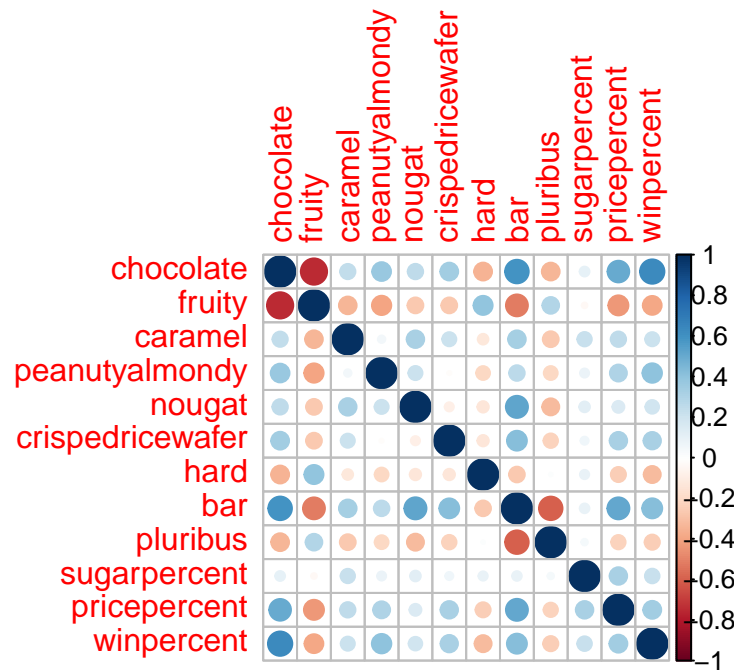
Now that we have explored the dataset a little, we will see how the variables interact with one another.

```
library(corrplot)
```

Warning: package 'corrplot' was built under R version 4.4.1

```
corrplot 0.95 loaded
```

```
cij <- cor(candy)
corrplot(cij)
```



Q22. Examining this plot what two variables are anti-correlated (i.e. have minus values)?

The fruity and chocolate variables are the most anti-correlated, which means that not a lot of fruity chocolate candies exist.

Q23. Similarly, what two variables are most positively correlated?

Chocolate and winpercent, and chocolate and bar are very positively correlated.

6. Principal Component Analysis

Let's apply PCA using the 'prcomp()' function to our candy dataset remembering to set the **scale=TRUE** argument.

```
pca <- prcomp(candy, scale=TRUE)
summary(pca)
```

Importance of components:

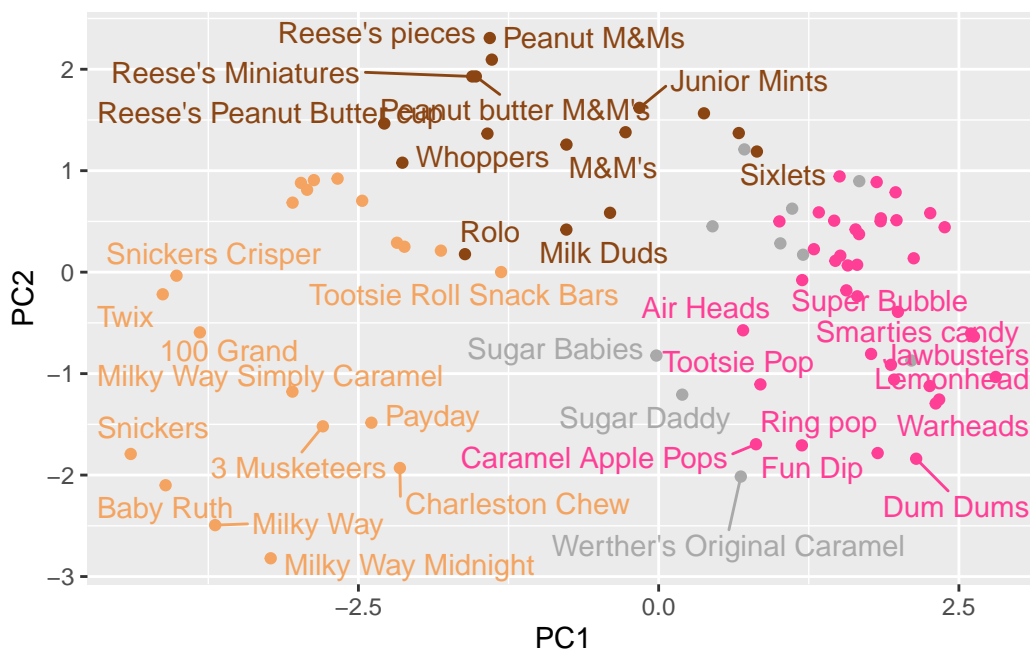
	PC1	PC2	PC3	PC4	PC5	PC6	PC7
Standard deviation	2.0788	1.1378	1.1092	1.07533	0.9518	0.81923	0.81530
Proportion of Variance	0.3601	0.1079	0.1025	0.09636	0.0755	0.05593	0.05539

Cumulative Proportion	0.3601	0.4680	0.5705	0.66688	0.7424	0.79830	0.85369
	PC8	PC9	PC10	PC11	PC12		
Standard deviation	0.74530	0.67824	0.62349	0.43974	0.39760		
Proportion of Variance	0.04629	0.03833	0.03239	0.01611	0.01317		
Cumulative Proportion	0.89998	0.93832	0.97071	0.98683	1.00000		

Let's plot our main results as our PCA "score plot"

```
p <- ggplot(pca$x) +
  aes(PC1, PC2, label=rownames(pca$x)) +
  geom_point(col=my_cols) +
  geom_text_repel(col=my_cols)
p
```

Warning: ggrepel: 48 unlabeled data points (too many overlaps). Consider increasing max.overlaps



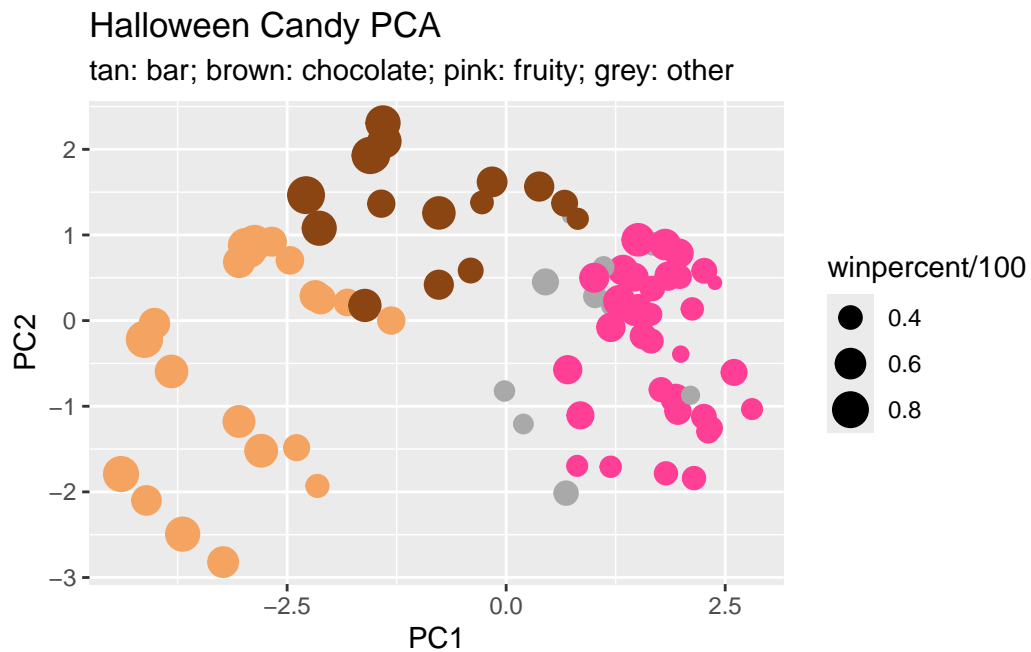
Combine PCA data and candy data

```
pcandy <- cbind(candy, pca$x[,1:3])
p <- ggplot(pcandy) +
  aes(x=PC1, y=PC2,
```

```

    size=winpercent/100,
    text=rownames(p candy),
    label=rownames(p candy)) +
    geom_point(col=my_cols) +
    labs(title="Halloween Candy PCA", subtitle = "tan: bar; brown: chocolate; pink: fruity; gr
p

```



```

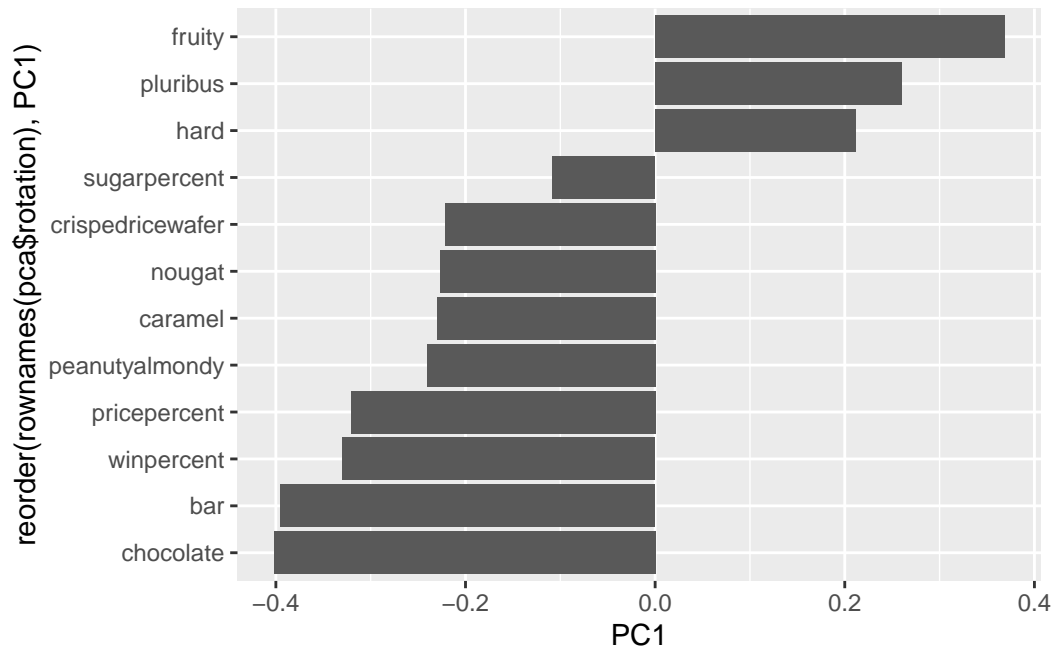
# library(plotly)
# ggplotly(p)

```

```

ggplot(pca$rotation) +
  aes(PC1, reorder(rownames(pca$rotation), PC1)) +
  geom_col()

```



Q24. What original variables are picked up strongly by PC1 in the positive direction? Do these make sense to you?

Fruity, pluribus, and hard are picked up strongly by PC1 in the positive direction. This makes sense to me since a lot of the fruity candy tend to be in a bag with multiple of them and are generally hard candies. The candy that comes to mind are nerds.