

Solutions: Box Plots and Scatter Plots

1 Load the Hot Dog Data

```
myFile <- "hotdog.csv"
hd <- read.csv(file = myFile,
               skip = 1,
               nrows = 54,
               header = TRUE)

hd$Day <- factor(hd$Day,
                 levels = c("Mon", "Tue", "Wed", "Thu", "Fri"))
```

1.1 Solutions

1. What do the arguments 'skip=', 'nrows=' and 'header=' do in the `read.csv()` function?
 - `skip=`: number of lines to skip from the beginning of csv file
 - `nrows=`: number of rows to read (after the skip) from the csv file
 - `header=`: first row that is read contains column names
2. Why do we reorder the levels of the `Day` column?
 - The levels are automatically set to alphabetical order when using the `read.csv()` function. We prefer them to be in a meaningful order.
3. **True or False:** We reorder the levels of the `Day` column by overwriting the original column?
 - TRUE

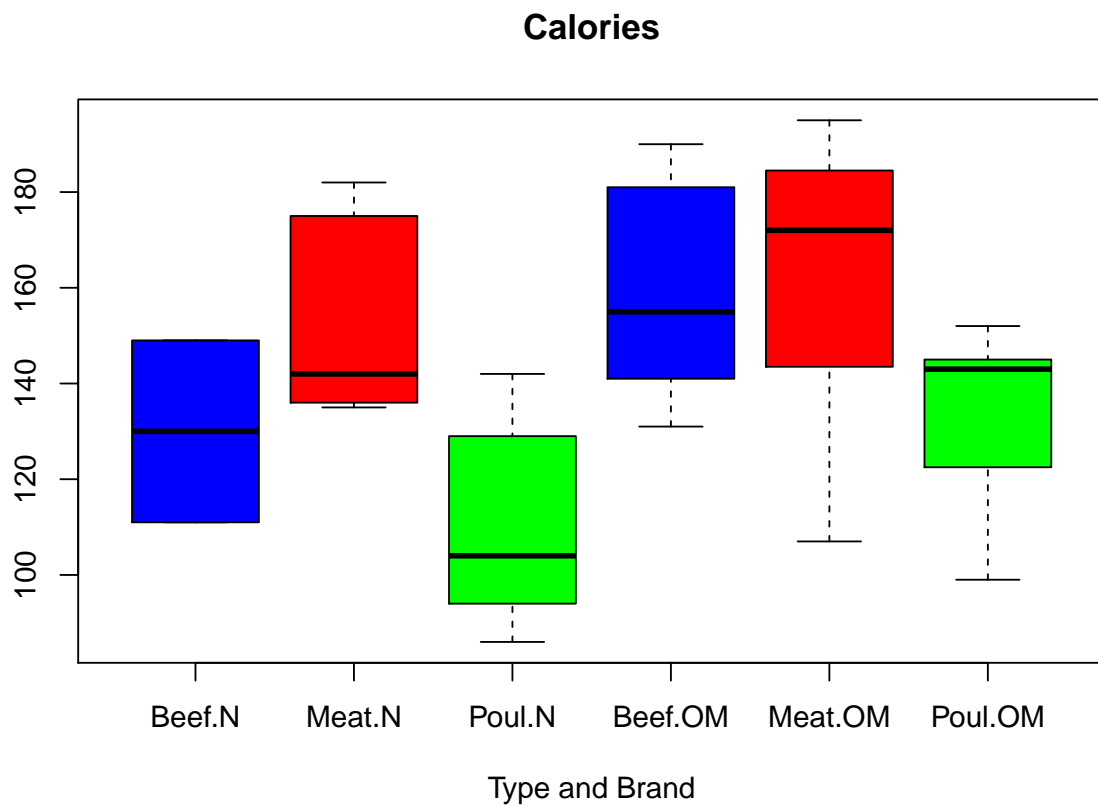
2 Box Plots

Blanks should be filled in as:

```
boxplot(Calories ~ Type * Brand,
        data = hd,
        main = "Calories",
        xlab = "Type and Brand",
        col = c("blue", "red", "green", "blue", "red", "green"),
        xaxt = "n")

x.ticks <- c("Beef.N", "Meat.N", "Poul.N", "Beef.OM", "Meat.OM", "Poul.OM")

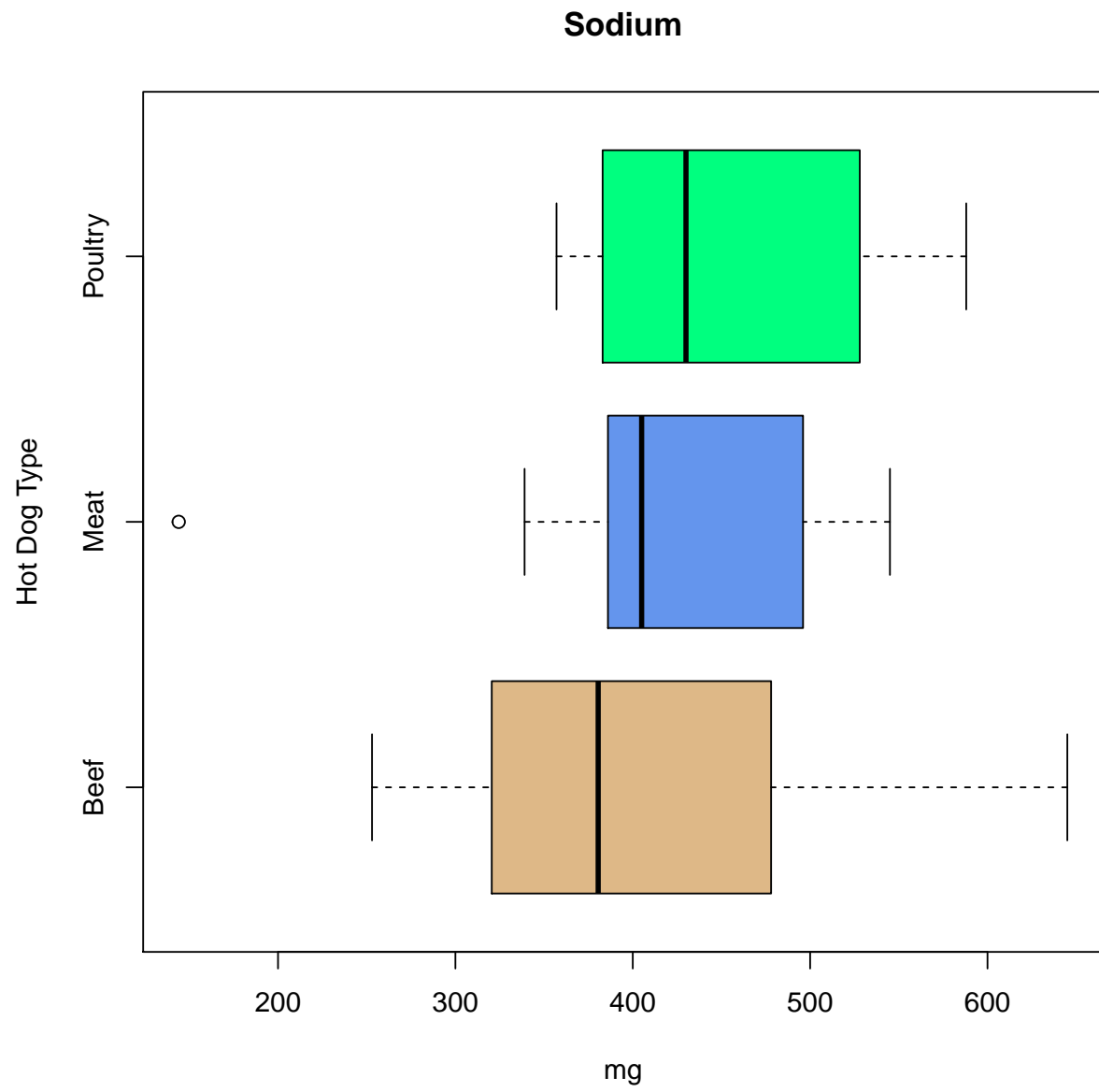
axis(side = 1,
     at = 1:6,
     labels = x.ticks)
```



2.1 Solutions

1. What does the argument `'axt = "n"'` do in the `boxplot()` function?
 - Removes the x-axis tick marks and tick labels.
2. What do the arguments `'side = 1'` and `'at = 1:6'` do in the `axis()` function?
 - `side = 1`: references the bottom axis (i.e., x-axis)
 - `at = 1:6`: tells it to place a tick mark at the points 1 to 6
3. Create a box plot of Sodium by Type. Include the following:
 - A main title
 - Custom x and y axes titles
 - Make the box plots horizontal
 - Different colors for each hot dog type

```
boxplot(Sodium ~ Type,
        data = hd,
        horizontal = TRUE,
        main = "Sodium",
        xlab = "mg",
        ylab = "Hot Dog Type",
        col = c("burlywood", "cornflowerblue", "springgreen"))
```



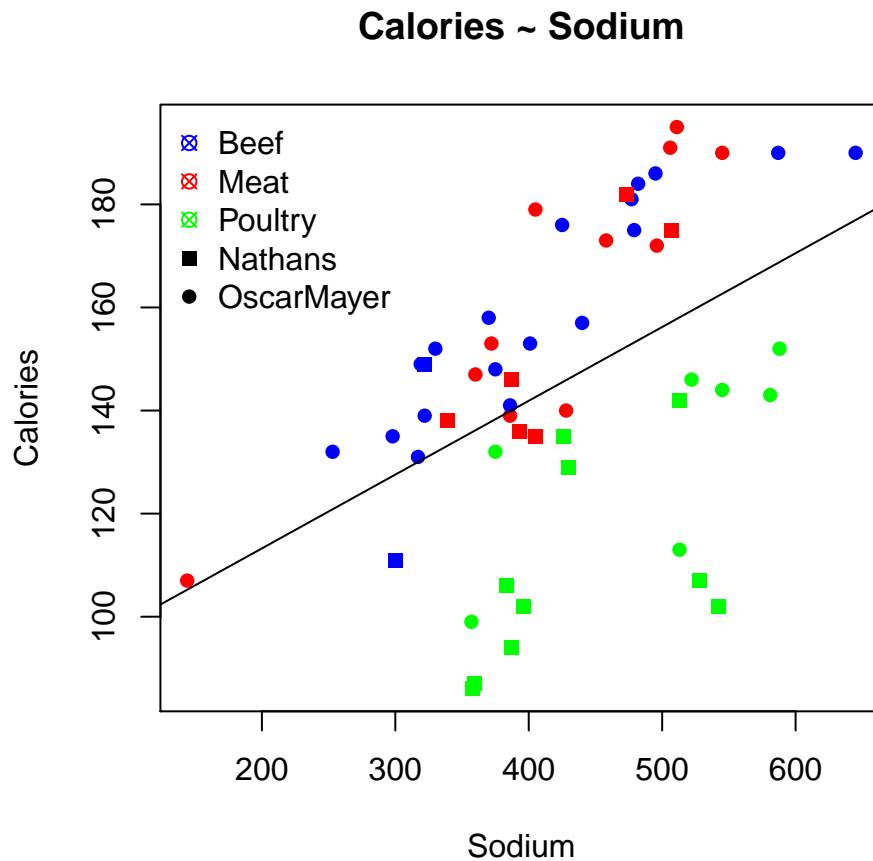
3 Scatter Plots

Blanks should be filled in as:

```
plot(Calories ~ Sodium,
     data = hd,
     pch = c(15, 16)[hd$Brand],
     col = c("blue", "red", "green")[hd$Type],
     main = "Calories ~ Sodium")

abline(lm(Calories ~ Sodium, data = hd))

legend(x = "topleft",
       legend = c(levels(hd$Type), levels(hd$Brand)),
       pch = c(rep(13, 3), 15, 16),
       col = c("blue", "red", "green", "black", "black"),
       bty = "n")
```

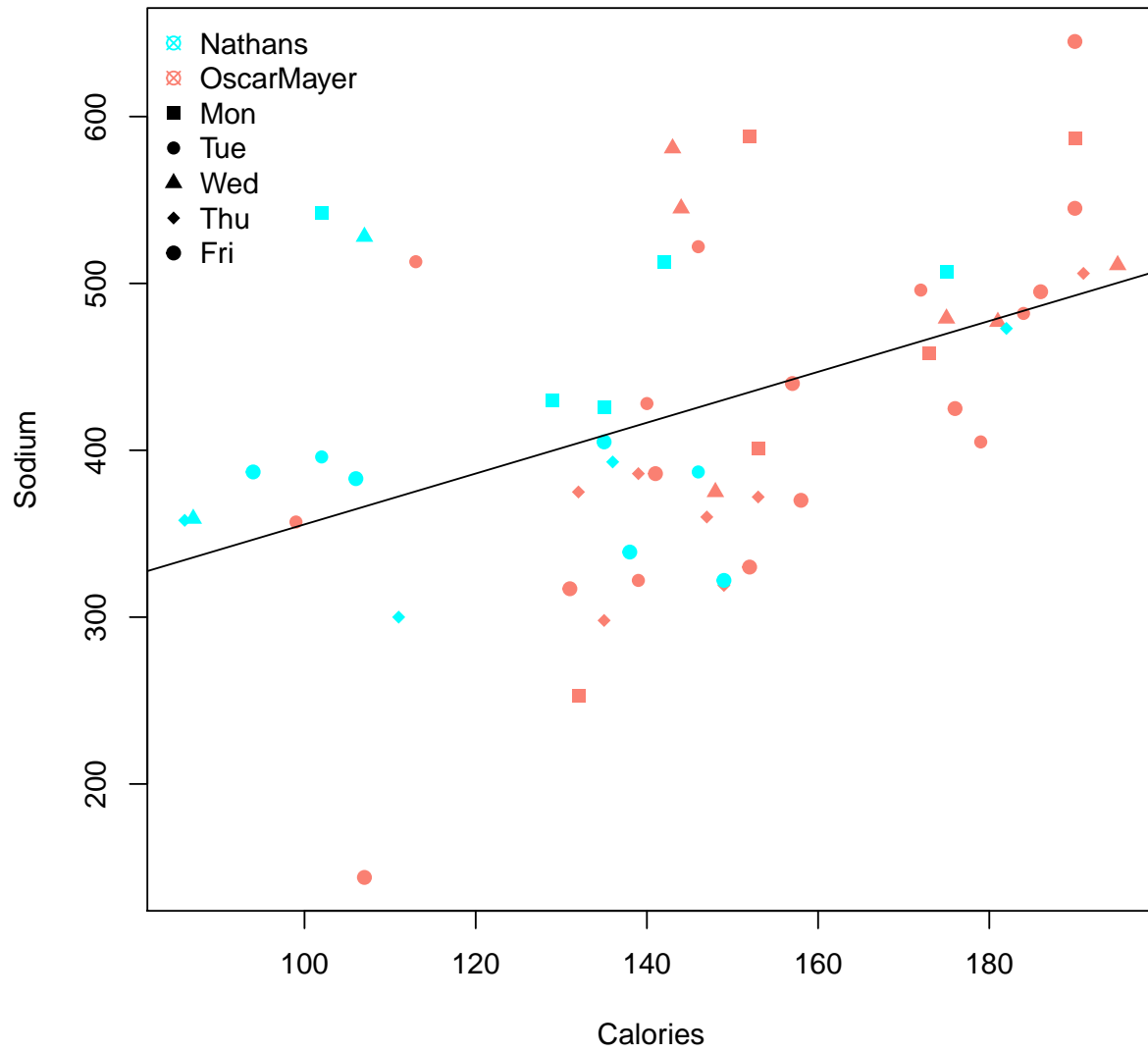


3.1 Questions and Challenges

1. What does the argument 'pch=' do in the `plot()` function?
 - Defines the point character (i.e., the point's shape/symbol).
2. What does the command '`c(15, 16)[hd$Brand]`' do?
 - Creates a vector where a 15 or 16 is repeated for each level of `hd$Brand`.
3. Instead of using '`x = "topleft"`' in the `legend()` function what can you use?
 - Another string: "topright", "bottomleft" or "bottomright"
 - Use both '`x='` and '`y='` arguments to specify a point on plot
4. What does the argument '`bty='` do in the `legend()` function?
 - Specifies whether or not a box should be drawn around the legend ("o" = box, "n" = no box).
5. Create a scatter plot of **Sodium** and **Type**. Include the following:
 - Sodium on the y-axis, Calories on the x-axis
 - A main title
 - Different shapes for each day (hint: `pch`)
 - Different colors for each brand
 - **Bonus:** Add a line of best fit and a legend

```
plot(Sodium ~ Calories,
     data = hd,
     main = "Sodium ~ Calories",
     pch = c(15, 16, 17, 18, 19)[hd$Day],
     col = c("cyan", "salmon")[hd$Brand])
# BONUS
abline(lm(Sodium ~ Calories, data = hd))
legend(x = "topleft",
      legend = c(levels(hd$Brand), levels(hd$Day)),
      pch = c(13, 13, 15:19),
      col = c("cyan", "salmon", rep("black", 5)),
      bty = "n")
```

Sodium ~ Calories



R Session Information

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Platform: x86_64-apple-darwin10.8.0 (64-bit)

locale:

[1] en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8/C/en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8

attached base packages:

[1] stats graphics grDevices utils datasets methods base

other attached packages:

[1] knitr_1.5

loaded via a namespace (and not attached):

[1] digest_0.6.4 evaluate_0.5.1 formatR_0.10 highr_0.3

[5] stringr_0.6.2 tools_3.0.2