Data Summarization

Introduction to R for Public Health Researchers

Data Summarization

- Basic statistical summarization
  - `mean(x)`: takes the mean of x
  - `sd(x)`: takes the standard deviation of x
  - `median(x)`: takes the median of x
  - `quantile(x)`: displays sample quantities of x. Default is min, IQR, max
  - `range(x)`: displays the range. Same as c(min(x), max(x))

Some examples

We can use the `mtcars` and Charm City Circulator datasets to explore different ways of summarizing data. The `head` command displays the first 6 (default) rows of an object:

```
head(mtcars)
```

```
                   mpg cyl disp  hp drat    wt  qsec vs am
Mazda RX4         21.0   6  160 110 3.90 2.620 16.46  0  1
Mazda RX4 Wag     21.0   6  160 110 3.90 2.875 17.02  0  1
Datsun 710        22.8   4  108  93 3.85 2.320 18.61  1  1
Hornet 4 Drive    21.4   6  258 110 3.08 3.215 19.44  1  0
Hornet Sportabout 18.7   8  360 175 3.15 3.440 17.02  0  0
Valiant           18.1   6  225 105 2.76 3.460 20.22  1  0
```

Statistical summarization

Note - the $ references/selects columns from a `data.frame`/`tibble`:

```r
mean(mtcars$hp)
```

```
[1] 146.6875
```

```r
quantile(mtcars$hp)
```

```
   0%   25%   50%   75%  100% 
 52.0  96.5 123.0 180.0 335.0 
```

Statistical summarization

```r
median(mtcars$wt)
```

```
[1] 3.325
```

```r
quantile(mtcars$wt, probs = 0.6)
```

```
 60%
3.44
```

Statistical summarization

t.test will be covered more in detail later, gives a mean and 95% CI:

```
t.test(mtcars$wt)
```

```

    One Sample t-test

data:  mtcars$wt
t = 18.6, df = 31, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 2.864478 3.570022
sample estimates:
mean of x
  3.21725
```

Statistical summarization

Note that many of these functions have additional inputs regarding missing data, typically requiring the `na.rm` argument ("remove NAs").

```
x = c(1,5,7,NA,4,2, 8,10,45,42)
mean(x)
```

```
[1] NA
```

```
mean(x, na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
[1] 13.77778
```

```
quantile(x, na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
  0%  25%  50%  75% 100%
   1    4    7   10   45
```

Data Summarization on matrices/data frames

- Basic statistical summarization
  - `rowMeans(x)`: takes the means of each row of x
  - `colMeans(x)`: takes the means of each column of x
  - `rowSums(x)`: takes the sum of each row of x
  - `colSums(x)`: takes the sum of each column of x
  - `summary(x)`: for data frames, displays the quantile information

TB Incidence

Please download the TB incidence data:

`http://www.aejaffe.com/winterR_2017/data/tb_incidence.xlsx`

Here we will read in a `data.frame` of values from TB incidence:

```
library(readxl)
tb <- read_excel("../../data/tb_incidence.xlsx")
head(tb)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 19
  `TB incidence, all forms (per 100 000 population per year
                                                        <ch
1                                                 Afghanist
2                                                     Alban
3                                                     Alger
4                                               American San
5                                                     Andor
6                                                      Ango
```

Indicator of Mortality

We can rename the first column to be the country measured using the `rename` function in `dplyr` (we have to use the ‘ things because there are spaces in the name):

```
library(dplyr)
tb = rename(tb,
            country = `TB incidence, all forms (per 100 000
```

Column and Row means

`colMeans` and `rowMeans` must work on all numeric data. We will subset years before 2000:

```r
avgs = select(tb, starts_with("1"))
colMeans(avgs, na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
    1990     1991     1992     1993     1994     1995     1
105.5797 107.6715 108.3140 110.3188 111.9662 114.1981 115.
    1998     1999
121.5169 125.0435
```

```r
tb$before_2000_avg = rowMeans(avgs, na.rm = TRUE)
head(tb[, c("country", "before_2000_avg")])
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 2
         country before_2000_avg
           <chr>           <dbl>
1    Afghanistan           168.0
```

Summary

Using `summary` can give you rough snapshots of each column, but you would likely use `mean`, `min`, `max`, and `quantile` when necessary:

```r
summary(tb)
```

```
   country               1990            1991            19
 Length:208         Min.   :  0.0   Min.   :  4.0   Min.
 Class  :character  1st Qu.: 27.5   1st Qu.: 27.0   1st Qu.
 Mode   :character  Median : 60.0   Median : 58.0   Median
                    Mean   :105.6   Mean   :107.7   Mean
                    3rd Qu.:165.0   3rd Qu.:171.0   3rd Qu.
                    Max.   :585.0   Max.   :594.0   Max.
                    NA's   :1       NA's   :1       NA's
      1993             1994          1995            1996
 Min.   :  4.0   Min.   :  0   Min.   :  3.0   Min.   :  0
 1st Qu.: 27.5   1st Qu.: 26   1st Qu.: 26.5   1st Qu.: 25
 Median : 56.0   Median : 57   Median : 58.0   Median : 60
 Mean   :110.3   Mean   :112   Mean   :114.2   Mean   :115
```

Apply statements

You can apply more general functions to the rows or columns of a matrix or data frame, beyond the mean and sum.

```
apply(X, MARGIN, FUN, ...)
```

X : an array, including a matrix.
MARGIN : a vector giving the subscripts which the function will be applied over. E.g., for a matrix 1 indicates rows, 2 indicates columns, c(1, 2) indicates rows and columns. Where X has named dimnames, it can be a character vector selecting dimension names.
FUN : the function to be applied: see 'Details'.
. . . : optional arguments to FUN.

Apply statements

```
apply(avgs,2,mean,na.rm=TRUE) # column means
```

```
    1990     1991     1992     1993     1994     1995     1
105.5797 107.6715 108.3140 110.3188 111.9662 114.1981 115.3
    1998     1999
121.5169 125.0435
```

```
apply(avgs,2,sd,na.rm=TRUE) # columns sds
```

```
    1990     1991     1992     1993     1994     1995     1
110.6440 112.7687 114.4853 116.6744 120.0931 122.7119 126.1
    1998     1999
137.3754 146.0755
```

```
apply(avgs,2,max,na.rm=TRUE) # column maxs
```

```
1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999
 585  594  606  618  630  642  655  668  681  695
```

Other Apply Statements

- `tapply()`: ‘grouping’ apply
- `lapply()`: ‘list’ apply [tomorrow]
- `sapply()`: ‘simple’ apply [tomorrow]
- Other less used ones. . .

See more details here: `http://nsaunders.wordpress.com/2010/08/20/a-brief-introduction-to-apply-in-r/`

Youth Tobacco Survey

Please download the Youth Tobacco Survey data. You can also read it in directly from the web:

```
library(readr)
smoke = read_csv(
  "http://www.aejaffe.com/winterR_2017/data/Youth_Tobacco_S
```

Subsetting to specific columns

Let's just take smoking status measures for all genders using `filter`, and the columns that represent the year, state using `select` (covered more in detail later):

```
library(dplyr)
sub_smoke = filter(smoke,
                   MeasureDesc == "Smoking Status",
                   Gender == "Overall",
                   Response == "Current")
sub_smoke = select(sub_smoke, YEAR, LocationDesc, Data_Valu
head(sub_smoke, 4)
```

```
# A tibble: 4 × 3
   YEAR LocationDesc Data_Value
  <int>        <chr>      <dbl>
1  2015      Arizona        3.2
2  2015  Connecticut        0.8
3  2015  Connecticut        5.6
4  2015      Georgia       10.8
```

tapply()

From the help file: “Apply a function to each cell of a ragged array, that is to each (non-empty) group of values given by a unique combination of the levels of certain factors.”

```
tapply(X, INDEX, FUN = NULL, ..., simplify = TRUE)
```

Simply put, you can apply function `FUN` to `X` within each categorical level of `INDEX`. It is very useful for assessing properties of continuous data by levels of categorical data.

tapply()

For example, we can estimate the average current smoking statuses over all states for each year:

```
tapply(sub_smoke$Data_Value, sub_smoke$YEAR, max, na.rm = T
```

```
1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010
36.4 38.5 27.6 34.2 28.3 27.9 27.8 26.8 28.8 26.8 22.9 26.6
2014 2015
17.7 16.2
```

Perform Operations By Groups: dplyr

group_by allows you group the data in a more intuitive way than tapply

We will use group_by to group the data by line, then use summarize (or summarise) to get the mean Average ridership:

```
summarize(group_by(sub_smoke, YEAR), year_avg = mean(Data_V
```

```
# A tibble: 17 × 2
    YEAR  year_avg
   <int>     <dbl>
1   1999 20.493333
2   2000 19.878431
3   2001 15.661111
4   2002 16.802326
5   2003 13.176190
6   2004 13.926923
7   2005 14.128571
8   2006 14.113636
```

Using the pipe (comes with dplyr):

Recently, the pipe %>% makes things such as this much more readable. It reads left side "pipes" into right side. RStudio CMD/Ctrl + Shift + M shortcut. Pipe sub_smoke into group_by, then pipe that into summarize:

```
smoke_avgs = sub_smoke %>%
  group_by(YEAR) %>%
  summarize(year_avg = mean(Data_Value, na.rm = TRUE))
head(smoke_avgs)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 2
   YEAR year_avg
  <int>    <dbl>
1  1999 20.49333
2  2000 19.87843
3  2001 15.66111
4  2002 16.80233
5  2003 13.17619
6  2004
```

Data Summarization/Visualization

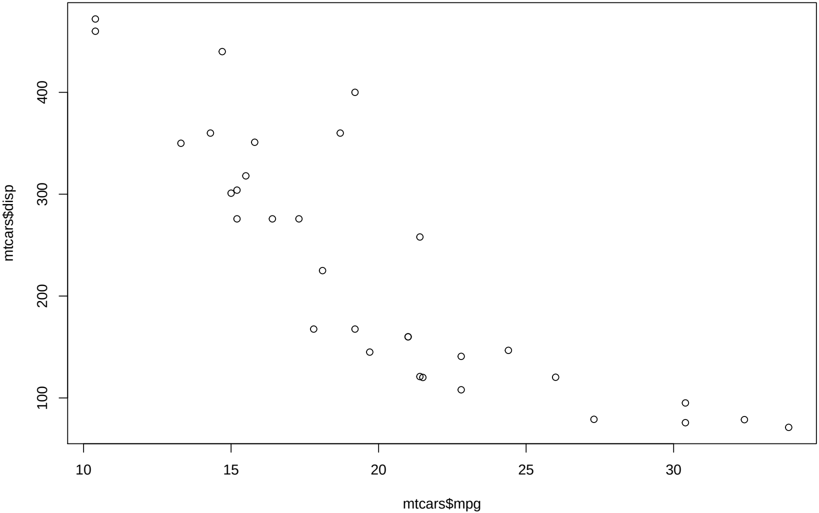
- Basic summarization plots
  - `plot(x,y)`: scatterplot of x and y
  - `boxplot(y~x)`: boxplot of y against levels of x
  - `hist(x)`: histogram of x
  - `density(x)`: kernel density plot of x

Basic Plots

Plotting is an important component of exploratory data analysis. We will review some of the more useful and informative plots here. We will go over formatting and making plots look nicer in additional lectures.

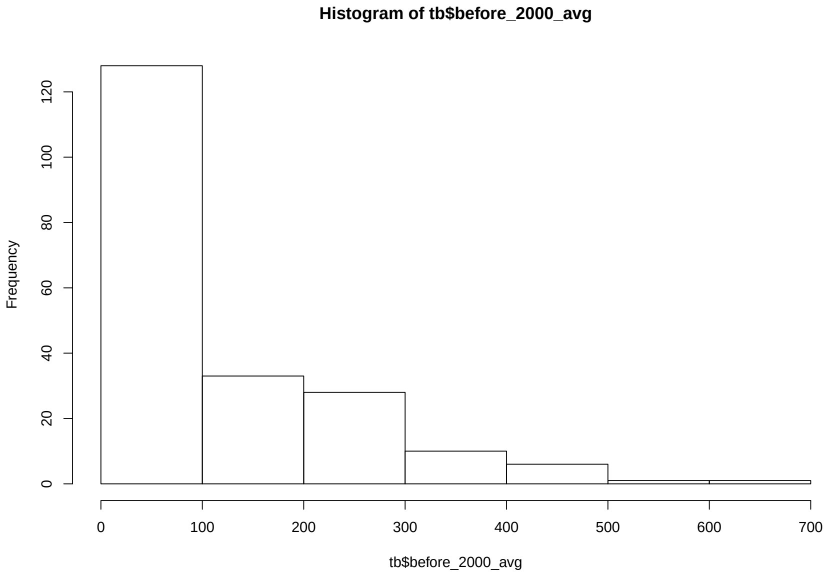
Scatterplot

```
plot(mtcars$mpg, mtcars$disp)
```



Histograms

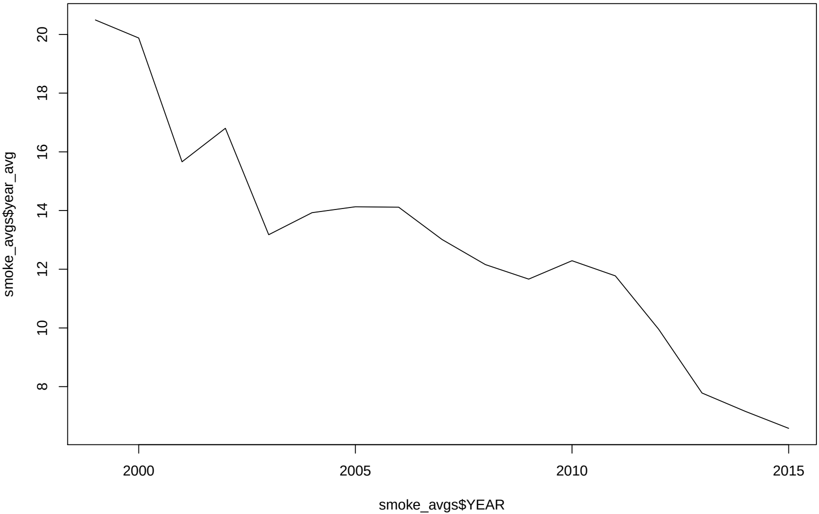
```
hist(tb$before_2000_avg)
```



Plot with a line

`type = "l"` means a line

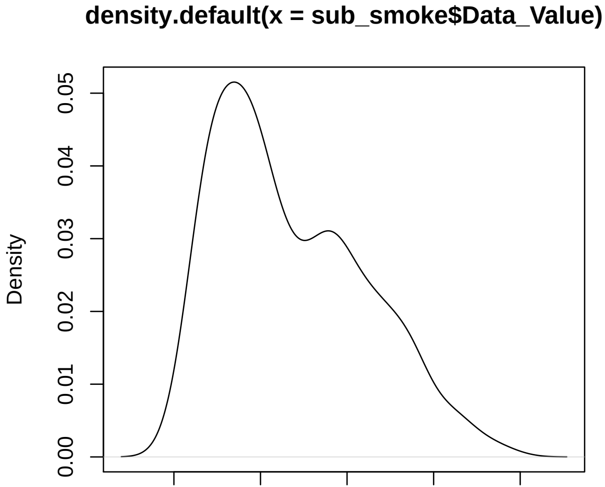
```
plot(smoke_avgs$YEAR, smoke_avgs$year_avg, type = "l")
```



Density

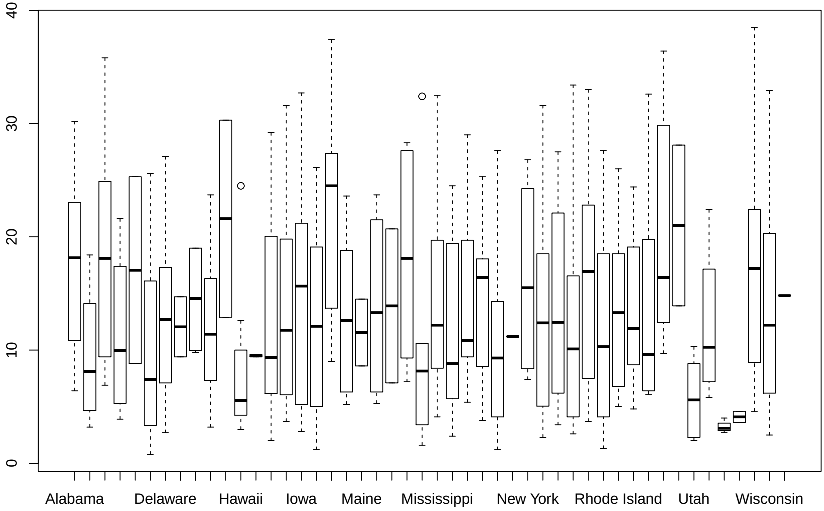
Over all years and states, this is the density of smoking status incidence:

```r
plot(density(sub_smoke$Data_Value))
```



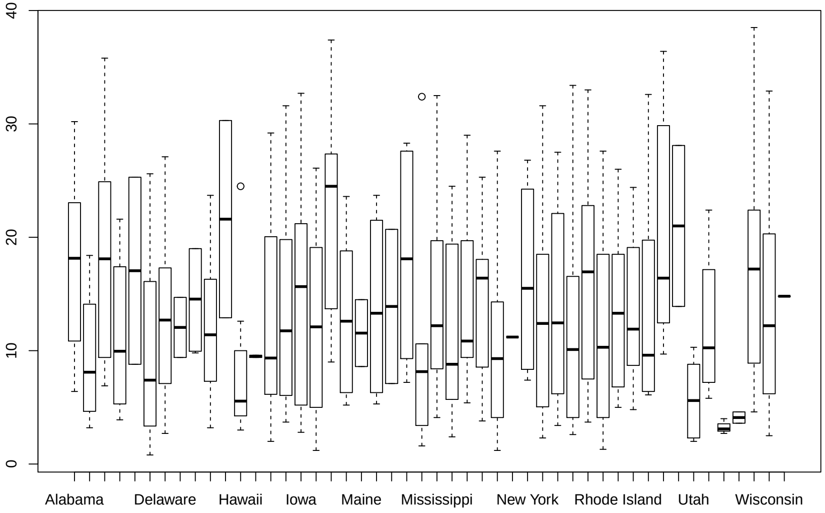
Boxplots

```
boxplot(sub_smoke$Data_Value ~ sub_smoke$LocationDesc)
```



Boxplots

```
boxplot(Data_Value ~ LocationDesc, data = sub_smoke)
```

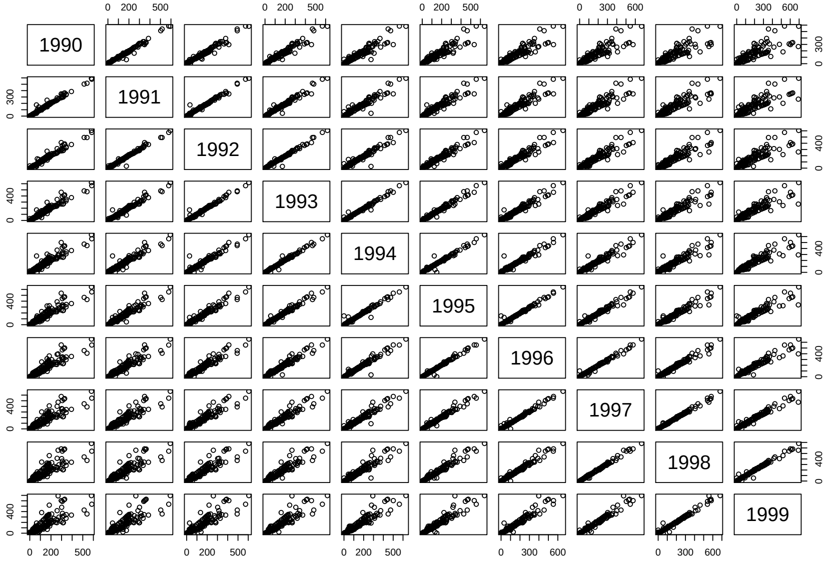


Data Summarization for data.frames

- Basic summarization plots
  - `matplot(x,y)`: scatterplot of two matrices, x and y
  - `pairs(x,y)`: plots pairwise scatter plots of matrices x and y, column by column

Matrix plot

```
pairs(avgs)
```



Conclusion

- Base R has apply statements that perform things repeatedly.
- `dplyr` has a lot of more intuitive syntax.
    - `group_by` is very powerful, especilly with `summarise/summarize`
- Base R has good things for quickly summarizing rows or colummns of all numeric data.
    - The `matrixStats` package extends this to `colMedians`, `colMaxs`, etc.