Session 1 - Introduction

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Exercise 1: Basic Data Structure, Summaries, and Plots

Consider the following data, collected by a farm management company, on the number of cattle and the number of sheep in nine farms in Devon:

$$Cattle = \begin{pmatrix} 348 \\ 407 \\ 1064 \\ 750 \\ 593 \\ 1867 \\ 471 \\ 935 \\ 1443 \end{pmatrix} \qquad Sheep = \begin{pmatrix} 110 \\ 179 \\ 303 \\ 173 \\ 182 \\ 458 \\ 151 \\ 140 \\ 222 \end{pmatrix}$$

Create two R objects for these data vectors, naming them cattle and sheep:

```
cattle <- c(348, 407, 1064, 750, 593, 1867, 471, 935, 1443)
sheep <- c(110, 179, 303, 173, 182, 458, 151, 140, 222)
```

Save all observations, except the 6th and 9th, into two new vectors: cattle new and sheep new

```
cattle_new <- cattle[-c(6, 9)]
sheep_new <- sheep[-c(6, 9)]</pre>
```

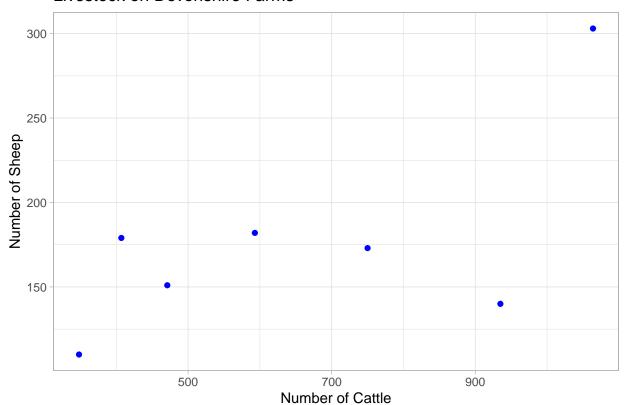
Create a data frame for cattle_new and sheep_new:

```
df <- data.frame(cattle_new, sheep_new)</pre>
```

```
##
     cattle_new sheep_new
## 1
             348
                        110
## 2
             407
                        179
## 3
            1064
                        303
             750
                        173
## 4
## 5
             593
                        182
## 6
             471
                        151
             935
                        140
```

Create a scatterplot with the values in cattle_new on the horizontal axis and the values in sheep_new on the vertical axis using appropriate labels and title, colouring the dots in blue:

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Calculate the sample mean and sample median of the values in both cattle_new and sheep_new:

```
## mean_cattle_new mean_sheep_new median_cattle_new median_sheep_new ## 1 652.5714 176.8571 652.5714 176.8571
```

Calculate the sum of the values in cattle_new, divided by the number of values in cattle_new:

```
sum_cattle_new <- sum(cattle_new)
len_cattle_new <- length(cattle_new)
sum_cattle_new / len_cattle_new</pre>
```

```
## [1] 652.5714
```

Exercise 2: Factors

Ten students are asked to respond to a question: "Overall, I was satisfied with my experience of this module" on a five point scale: "Strongly Disagree", "Disagree", "Neutral", "Agree", and "Strongly Agree". The results were recorded numerically using the following encoding:

| Numerical Encoding | Corresponding Response |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree |
| 2 | Disagree |
| 3 | Neutral |
| 4 | Agree |
| 5 | Strongly Agree |

Here are the results from the ten students:

```
results <- c(5, 5, 2, 4, 3, 5, 5, 1, 2, 5)
```

Convert these results into a factor with the labels: "Strongly Disagree", "Disagree", "Neutral", "Agree", and "Strongly Agree":

Tabulate these results:

```
results_table <- table(results_factor)

## results_factor

## Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Agree

## 1 2 1 1

## Strongly Agree

## 5</pre>
```

Now, create a factor with the labels in the reverse order, and tabulate it:

Exercise 3: Somewhat Harder

A small company has recorded the following data on production volume (in 1,000s of units) and production costs (in £1,000s) for the past ten months:

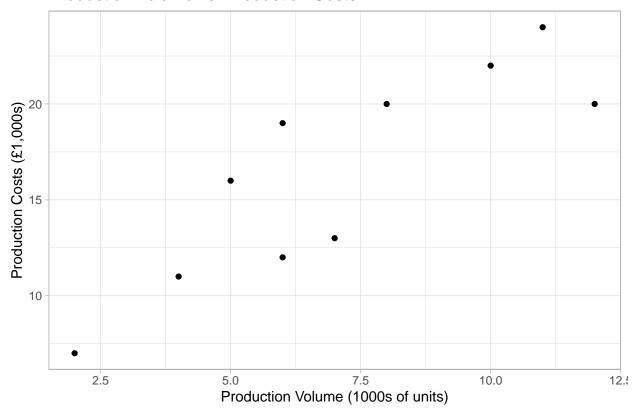
```
volume <- c(2, 4, 6, 6, 10, 8, 5, 7, 11, 12)
costs <- c(7, 11, 12, 19, 22, 20, 16, 13, 24, 20)
```

Create a data frame containing the variables volume and costs, before plotting this data. Comment on your plot:

```
# Create a data frame, using the provided vectors
df <- data.frame(volume, costs)

# Plot production volume vs. production costs
ggplot(df, aes(x = volume, y = costs)) +
    theme_light() + geom_point() +
    labs(x = "Production Volume (1000s of units)",
        y = "Production Costs (£1,000s)",
        title = "Production Volume vs. Production Costs")</pre>
```

Production Volume vs. Production Costs



Comments:

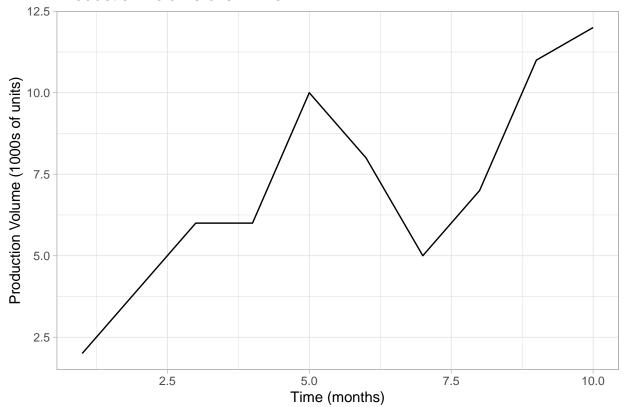
There appears to be a positive linear relationship between the number of units produced and the production costs. This is to be expected: producing more units is going to cost more money (labor, materials, etc.).

Create a time-series plot of production volume, and comment on this plot:

```
# Create a vector of months and add it to the data frame
month <- c(1:10)
df <- cbind(df, month)

# Plot production volume vs. time
ggplot(df, aes(x = month, y = volume)) +
    theme_light() + geom_line() +
    labs(x = "Time (months)", y = "Production Volume (1000s of units)",
        title = "Production Volume over Time")</pre>
```

Production Volume over Time



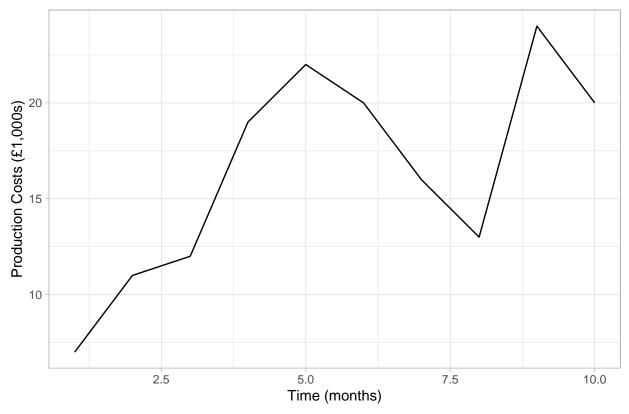
Comments:

The production volume steadily increases over time, this is likely due to the expansion of the business as they gain more clients. There appears to be dip in production volume between months 5 and 8.

Create a time-series plot of production costs, and commend on this plot:

```
ggplot(df, aes(x = month, y = costs)) +
  theme_light() + geom_line() +
  labs(x = "Time (months)", y = "Production Costs (£1,000s)",
      title = "Production Costs over Time")
```





Comments:

As you might expect, the production costs increase over time in line with the production volume.

Create a plot showing production volume and production costs, with the month represented as text-based data points:

```
ggplot(df, aes(x = volume, y = costs, label = row.names(df))) +
  theme_light() + geom_text() +
  labs(x = "Production Volume (1000s of units)",
        y = "Production Costs (£1,000s)",
        title = "Production Volume vs. Production Costs over Time",
        subtitle = "Months are represented as the data points' text")
```

Production Volume vs. Production Costs over Time

Months are represented as the data points' text

