Data Exploration and Visualization with R¹

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Data Exploration and Visualization

- Summary and stats
- Various charts like pie charts and histograms
- Exploration of multiple variables
- Level plot, contour plot and 3D plot
- Saving charts into files of various formats

²Chapter 3: Data Exploration, in book *R and Data Mining: Examples and Case Studies*. http://www.rdatamining.com/docs/RDataMining.pdf

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Size and Structure of Data

```
dim(iris)
## [1] 150 5
names(iris)
## [1] "Sepal.Length" "Sepal.Width" "Petal.Length" "Petal.Wid...
## [5] "Species"
str(iris)
  'data.frame': 150 obs. of 5 variables:
   $ Sepal.Length: num 5.1 4.9 4.7 4.6 5 5.4 4.6 5 4.4 4.9 ...
##
## $ Sepal.Width : num 3.5 3 3.2 3.1 3.6 3.9 3.4 3.4 2.9 3.1...
## $ Petal.Length: num 1.4 1.4 1.3 1.5 1.4 1.7 1.4 1.5 1.4 1...
## $ Petal.Width : num 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.4 0.3 0.2 0.2 0...
## $ Species : Factor w/ 3 levels "setosa", "versicolor",....
```

Attributes of Data

```
attributes(iris)
##
   $names
   [1] "Sepal.Length" "Sepal.Width" "Petal.Length" "Petal.Wid...
   [5] "Species"
##
##
   $row.names
     [1]
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         106 107 108 109 110
                                111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 1...
         121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 1...
   [136] 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 148 1...
##
   $class
##
   [1] "data.frame"
```

First Rows of Data

```
iris[1:3, ]
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
##
## 1
           5.1
                   3.5
                               1.4
                                         0.2 setosa
## 2
           4.9
                   3.0
                              1.4
                                       0.2 setosa
                               1.3
           4.7
                   3.2
                                       0.2 setosa
## 3
head(iris, 3)
##
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
          5.1
                   3.5
                             1.4
                                       0.2 setosa
## 1
## 2
           4.9
                  3.0
                             1.4
                                       0.2 setosa
## 3
           4.7
                   3.2
                              1.3
                                       0.2 setosa
tail(iris, 3)
##
     Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Spe...
             6.5
                      3.0
## 148
                                 5.2
                                           2.0 virgi...
                                           2.3 virgi...
## 149
            6.2
                     3.4
                                 5.4
                                           1.8 virgi...
## 150
             5.9
                      3.0
                                 5.1
```

A Single Column

The first 10 values of Sepal.Length

```
iris[1:10, "Sepal.Length"]
## [1] 5.1 4.9 4.7 4.6 5.0 5.4 4.6 5.0 4.4 4.9
iris$Sepal.Length[1:10]
## [1] 5.1 4.9 4.7 4.6 5.0 5.4 4.6 5.0 4.4 4.9
```

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Summary of Data

Function summary()

- ▶ numeric variables: minimum, maximum, mean, median, and the first (25%) and third (75%) quartiles
- categorical variables (factors): frequency of every level

```
summary(iris)
##
    Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width
   Min. :4.30
                Min. :2.00 Min. :1.00 Min. :0.1
##
   1st Qu.:5.10 1st Qu.:2.80 1st Qu.:1.60 1st Qu.:0.3
##
   Median :5.80 Median :3.00 Median :4.35 Median :1.3
##
##
   Mean :5.84 Mean :3.06 Mean :3.76 Mean :1.2
   3rd Qu.:6.40 3rd Qu.:3.30 3rd Qu.:5.10 3rd Qu.:1.8
##
   Max. :7.90 Max. :4.40 Max. :6.90 Max. :2.5
##
        Species
##
   setosa :50
##
##
   versicolor:50
##
   virginica:50
##
##
##
```

```
library(Hmisc)
describe(iris[, c(1, 5)]) # check columns 1 & 5
## iris[, c(1, 5)]
##
## 2 Variables 150 Observations
## Sepal.Length
##
    n missing unique Info Mean .05 .10 ...
## 150 0 35 1 5.843 4.600 4.800 5...
## .50 .75 .90 .95
## 5.800 6.400 6.900 7.255
##
## lowest : 4.3 4.4 4.5 4.6 4.7, highest: 7.3 7.4 7.6 7.7 7.9
## Species
## n missing unique
## 150 0
##
## setosa (50, 33%), versicolor (50, 33%)
## virginica (50, 33%)
  _____
```

Mean, Median, Range and Quartiles

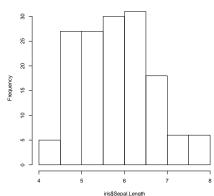
- Mean, median and range: mean(), median(), range()
- Quartiles and percentiles: quantile()

```
range(iris$Sepal.Length)
## [1] 4.3 7.9
quantile(iris$Sepal.Length)
## 0% 25% 50% 75% 100%
## 4.3 5.1 5.8 6.4 7.9
quantile(iris$Sepal.Length, c(0.1, 0.3, 0.65))
## 10% 30% 65%
## 4.80 5.27 6.20
```

Variance and Histogram

```
var(iris$Sepal.Length)
## [1] 0.6857
hist(iris$Sepal.Length)
```

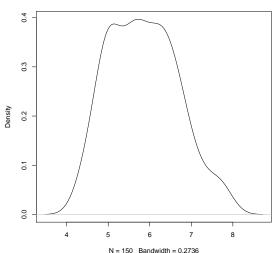
Histogram of iris\$Sepal.Length



Density

plot(density(iris\$Sepal.Length))

density.default(x = iris\$Sepal.Length)



Pie Chart

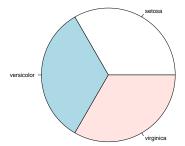
Frequency of factors: table()

```
table(iris$Species)

##

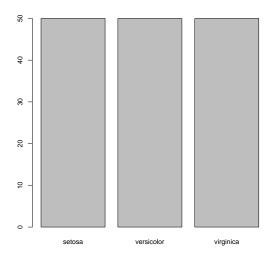
## setosa versicolor virginica
## 50 50 50

pie(table(iris$Species))
```



Bar Chart

barplot(table(iris\$Species))



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Correlation

Covariance and correlation: cov() and cor()

```
cov(iris$Sepal.Length, iris$Petal.Length)
## [1] 1.274
cor(iris$Sepal.Length, iris$Petal.Length)
## [1] 0.8718
cov(iris[, 1:4])
##
             Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width
             0.68569 -0.04243 1.2743
                                                  0.5163
## Sepal.Length
## Sepal.Width -0.04243 0.18998 -0.3297 -0.1216
## Petal.Length 1.27432 -0.32966 3.1163
                                                 1.2956
## Petal.Width 0.51627 -0.12164 1.2956
                                                 0.5810
# cor(iris[,1:4])
```

Aggreation

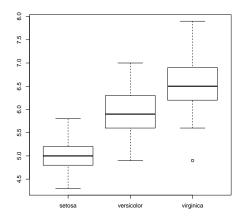
Stats of Sepal.Length for every Species with aggregate()

```
aggregate(Sepal.Length ~ Species, summary, data = iris)
##
        Species Sepal.Length.Min. Sepal.Length.1st Qu.
## 1
         setosa
                              4.30
                                                    4.80
## 2 versicolor
                              4.90
                                                    5.60
                              4.90
## 3
     virginica
                                                    6.22
     Sepal.Length.Median Sepal.Length.Mean Sepal.Length.3rd Qu.
##
                     5.00
                                        5.01
## 1
                                                              5.20
                                                              6.30
## 2
                     5.90
                                        5.94
## 3
                     6.50
                                        6.59
                                                              6.90
##
     Sepal.Length.Max.
## 1
                  5.80
## 2
                  7.00
## 3
                  7.90
```

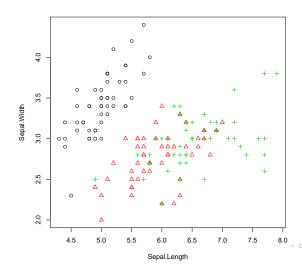
Boxplot

- ▶ The bar in the middle is median.
- ► The box shows the interquartile range (IQR), i.e., range between the 75% and 25% observation.

```
boxplot(Sepal.Length ~ Species, data = iris)
```



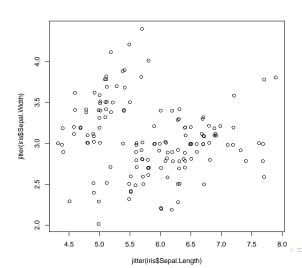
Scatter Plot



Scatter Plot with Jitter

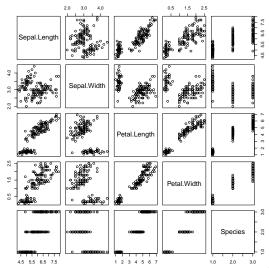
Function jitter(): add a small amount of noise to the data

```
plot(jitter(iris$Sepal.Length), jitter(iris$Sepal.Width))
```



A Matrix of Scatter Plots

pairs(iris)



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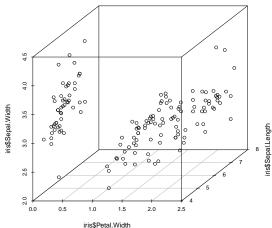
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3D Scatter plot

```
library(scatterplot3d)
scatterplot3d(iris$Petal.Width, iris$Sepal.Length, iris$Sepal.Width)
```



Interactive 3D Scatter Plot

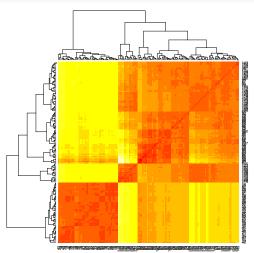
Package rgl supports interactive 3D scatter plot with plot3d().

```
library(rgl)
plot3d(iris$Petal.Width, iris$Sepal.Length, iris$Sepal.Width)
```

Heat Map

Calculate the similarity between different flowers in the iris data with dist() and then plot it with a heat map

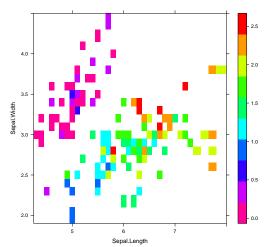
```
dist.matrix <- as.matrix(dist(iris[, 1:4]))
heatmap(dist.matrix)</pre>
```



Level Plot

Function rainbow() creates a vector of contiguous colors.

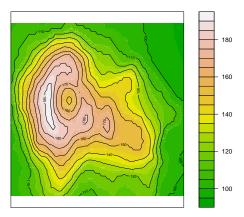
```
library(lattice)
levelplot(Petal.Width ~ Sepal.Length * Sepal.Width, iris, cuts = 9,
      col.regions = rainbow(10)[10:1])
```



Contour

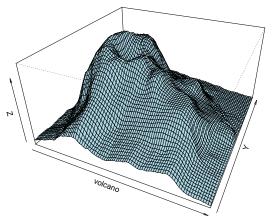
contour() and filled.contour() in package graphics
contourplot() in package lattice

```
filled.contour(volcano, color = terrain.colors, asp = 1, plot.axes = co
  add = T))
```



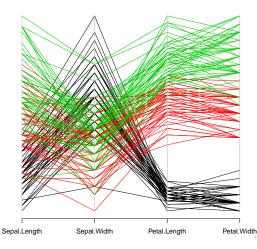
3D Surface

```
persp(volcano, theta = 25, phi = 30, expand = 0.5, col = "lightblue")
```



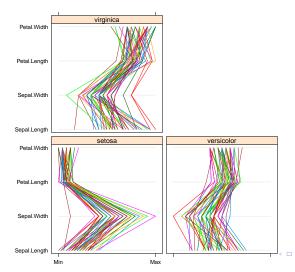
Parallel Coordinates

```
library(MASS)
parcoord(iris[1:4], col = iris$Species)
```



Parallel Coordinates with Package lattice

```
library(lattice)
parallelplot(~iris[1:4] | Species, data = iris)
```



Visualization with Package ggplot2

```
library(ggplot2)
qplot(Sepal.Length, Sepal.Width, data = iris, facets = Species ~ .)
   4.5 -
   4.0 -
   3.5 -
   3.0 -
   2.5 -
   2.0 -
   4.5 -
   4.0 -
 Sepal.Width - 0.8
   2.5 -
   2.0 -
4.5 -
   4.0 -
   3.5 -
   3.0 -
   2.5 -
```

Sepal Length

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- Save charts to PDF and PS files: pdf() and postscript()
- BMP, JPEG, PNG and TIFF files: bmp(), jpeg(), png() and tiff()
- Close files (or graphics devices) with graphics.off() or dev.off() after plotting

```
# save as a PDF file
pdf("myPlot.pdf")
x <- 1:50
plot(x, log(x))
graphics.off()
# Save as a postscript file
postscript("myPlot2.ps")
x <- -20:20
plot(x, x^2)
graphics.off()</pre>
```

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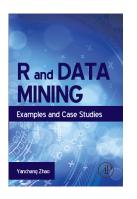
- Examples of ggplot2 plotting: http://had.co.nz/ggplot2/
- Package iplots: interactive scatter plot, histogram, bar plot, and parallel coordinates plot (iplots) http://stats.math.uni-augsburg.de/iplots/
- Package googleVis: interactive charts with the Google Visualisation API http://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/googleVis/vignettes/ googleVis_examples.html
- Package ggvis: interactive grammar of graphics http://ggvis.rstudio.com/
- Package rCharts: interactive javascript visualizations from R http://rcharts.io/

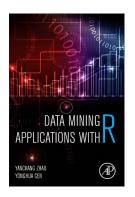
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- ▶ R Reference Card for Data Mining http://www.rdatamining.com/docs/R-refcard-data-mining.pdf
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