

Exploratory Data Analysis with R

Introduction to R - Part III: R Base Plotting

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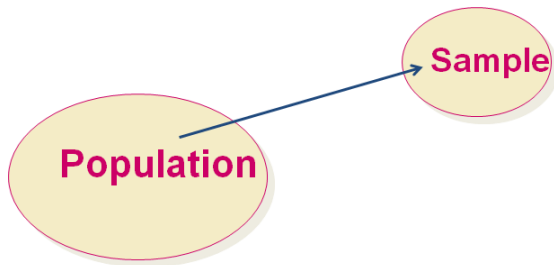
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Sample and Population

- An investigation will typically focus on a well-defined collection of subjects constituting a population of interest.



- Population : The complete collection of all subjects that are being considered.
- Sample: Subcollection of subjects selected from a population.

Types of data

- A data set is a collection of measurements of one variable or several variables for some individuals or subjects.
- Often, a data set is a file, in which each column (or field) corresponds to a variable(or attribute) and each row corresponds to measurements of all variables for each subject. This type of data sets is called record-based data.

##		mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	o
##	Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	
##	Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	
##	Datsun 710	22.8	4	108	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	
##	Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	
##	Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	
##	Valiant	18.1	6	225	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	

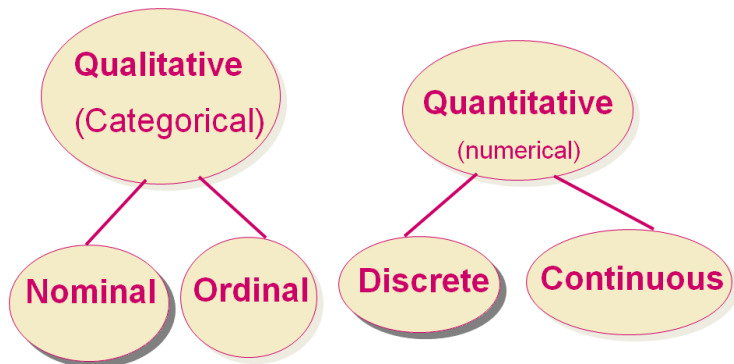
- There are other types of data sets.

Types of data

- A **variable** (or attribute) is a property or characteristic that can vary from one subject to another or from one time to another.
 - ▶ A data set is obtained by measuring variables.
- Examples
 - ▶ Hair color
 - ▶ Body temperature
 - ▶ time to failure of a computer component.

Types of data

- Classification of variables by the type of measurements



Types of data - Categorical Variables

- **Categorical variables** take category or label/name values, and place an individual into one of several groups.
 - ▶ They cannot be used for computations.
- Categorical variables can be further classified using levels of measurement by looking at what is being measured.
 - ▶ **Nominal**, when there is no natural ordering among the categories.
 - ★ Common examples would be gender, eye color, ethnicity or social security numbers.
 - ▶ **Ordinal**, when there is a natural order among the categories, such as, ranking scales or letter grades.
 - ★ Examples: Course grades A, B, C, D, or F; Ranks Gold, Silver, Bronze.
 - ★ However, ordinal variables are still categorical and do not provide precise measurements.
 - ★ Differences between data values either cannot be determined or are meaningless.

Types of data - Numerical Variables

- **Numerical variables** take numerical values, and represent some kind of measurement.
- Numerical variables are often further classified by the number of values:
 - ▶ **Discrete**, when the variable takes on a finite or countably infinite number of values.
 - ★ Most often these variables indeed represent some kind of **count** such as the number of prescriptions an individual takes daily.
 - ▶ **Continuous**, when the variable takes infinitely many values corresponding to the points on a real line interval
 - ★ Units should be provided.
 - ★ Our precision in measuring these variables is often limited by our instruments.
 - ★ Common examples would be height (inches), weight (pounds), or time to recovery (days).

Types of data

Univariate and Multivariate data:

- A **univariate** data set consists of observations on a single variable.
 - ▶ For example, the following sample of lifetimes (hours) of brand D batteries put to a certain use is a numerical univariate data set:
5.6 5.1 6.2 6.0 5.8 6.5 5.8 5.5
- We have **bivariate** data when observations are made on each of two variables.
 - ▶ Example: A data set consists of a (height, weight) pair for each basketball player on a team, with the first observation as (72, 168), the second as (75, 212), and so on.
- **Multivariate** data arises when observations are made on more than one variable (so bivariate is a special case of multivariate).

Types of data

Parameter and Statistic:

- Parameter is a numerical summary describing some variable of a population.
 - ▶ For example, population mean μ , population proportion p
- Statistic is a numerical summary describing some variable of a sample
 - ▶ A statistic is an estimator of some parameter in a population.
 - ▶ For example, sample mean \bar{x} , sample proportion \hat{p}

R Graphics

- R has strong graphic capabilities. `plot()` is a generic function for plotting of R objects.
- There are many plot functions which are specific to some tasks.
- Titles, legends and annotations.
 - ▶ `main` gives the main title, `sub` the subtitle.
 - ▶ `legend()`. The position can be "bottomleft", "bottomright", "topleft", "topright" or exact coordinates.
 - ▶ `xlab` specifies the X-axis label; `ylab` specifies the Y-axis label.
 - ▶ `xlim` specifies the range of the X-axis; `ylim` specifies the range of the Y-axis.
 - ▶ `mtext()` puts some texts in the margin. The margin can be at the bottom (1), the left (2), the top (3) or the right (4).
 - ▶ `text()` puts Text in the graph.
 - ▶ We can add mathematical symbols using `expression()`.
 - ▶ The type of a plot can be : `n`(none), `p`(points), `l`(lines) etc.
 - ▶ For more information, type `?title` and `?text` in R console.

Bar chart

- Bar chart is for categorical data.
- `barplot()` specifies the height of each bar and (optionally) a vector of labels for each bar.

```
mtcars$cyl = as.factor(mtcars$cyl)  # convert cyl to a factor
counts= table(mtcars$cyl)
counts;  #get the count of 4, 6 & 8 cylinder cars
```

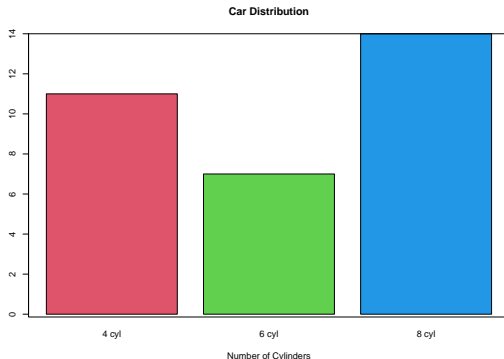
```
##
```

```
##    4    6    8
```

```
##  11    7   14
```

Bar chart

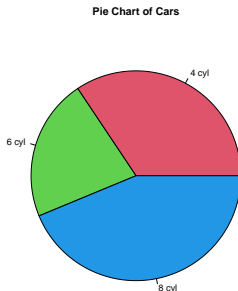
```
barplot(counts,main="Car Distribution", xlab="Number of Cylinders",  
        col=c(2,3,4),names.arg=c("4 cyl", "6 cyl", "8 cyl"))  
# col is used to specified colors  
box() #draw a box around the plot
```



Pie charts

- Pie charts are for categorical data.
- A pie chart presents each category as a slice of a circle so that each slice has a size that is proportional to the whole in each category.
- Pie charts are not recommended since people are able to judge height more accurately than area.

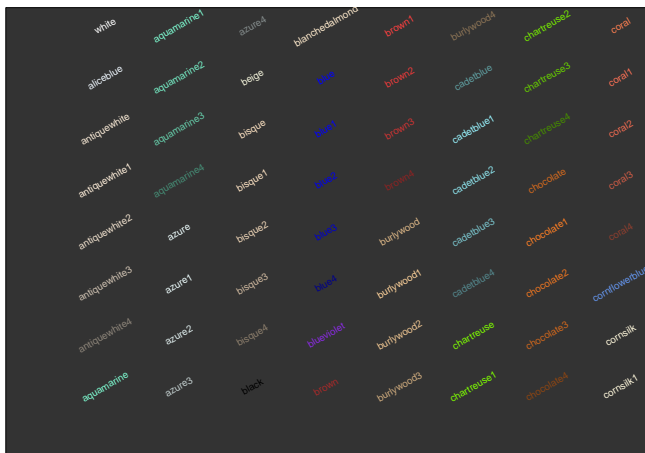
```
counts= table(mtcars$cyl) #create a frequency table  
pie(counts,main="Pie Chart of Cars",  
     col=c(2,3,4), labels=c("4 cyl", "6 cyl", "8 cyl"))
```



Colors in R

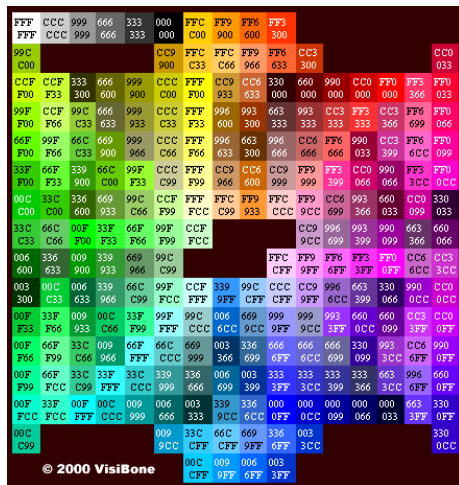
- In R, colors can be specified either by name (e.g. `col = "red"`), integers or hexadecimal colors (`#rrggbb`). The following shows the first sixty-four color names. See more in the R color cheat sheet or get the colors using the R command

```
colors()
```



Colors in R

- Colors can be specified using hexadecimal color code, #rrggbb, where rr, gg, and bb refer to color intensity in the red, green, and blue channels, respectively. For more information, see <https://stat545.com/colors.html>.



Colors in R

- In R you can call colors by their numbers. The `palette()` function within the `grDevices` library allows a table of colors to be referenced by a numeric index. The default color palette is

```
palette()
```

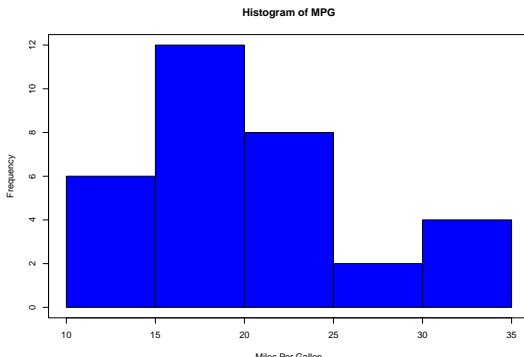
```
1 = "black"
2 = "red"
3 = "green"
4 = "blue"
5 = "cyan"
6 = "magenta"
7 = "yellow"
8 = "gray"
```

- To set these colors as parameters, simply use the index.

Histograms and kernel density plots

- Histogram is for numerical data.
- A histogram shows a partition of a data set and the number of observations in each class.

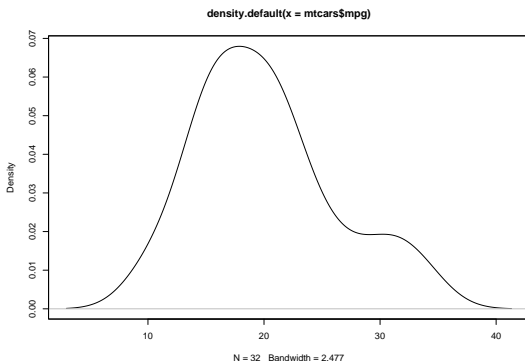
```
hist(mtcars$mpg, col="blue", xlab="Miles Per Gallon", #breaks = 10,  
     main="Histogram of MPG")  
#we can use breaks argument to determine the number of bins  
box()
```



Histograms and kernel density plots

- In general, we assume that a data set is from a larger population.
- Kernel density is an **estimate** of the distribution of the variable.

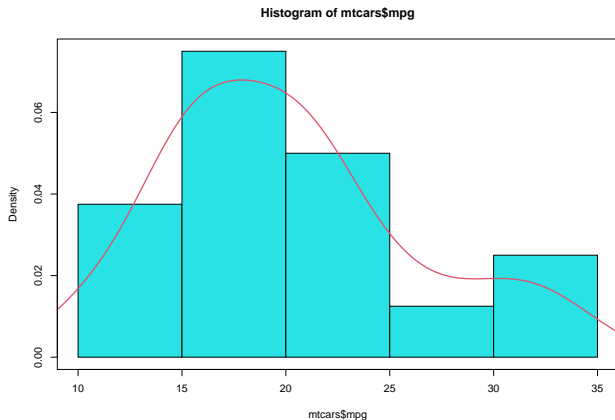
```
d = density(mtcars$mpg) # returns the density data  
plot(d) # plots the results  
box()
```



Histograms and kernel density plots

- Relative frequency histogram and density plot

```
hist(mtcars$mpg, col=5, prob=TRUE) #show relative frequencies  
lines(density(mtcars$mpg), col=2, lwd=2) # density plot  
box()
```

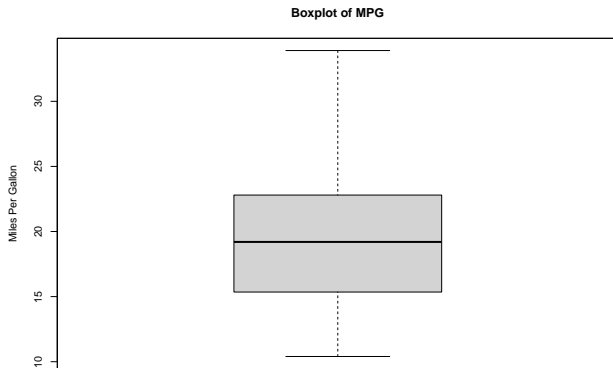


Box plot

- A box plot (or box and whisker plot) shows the five number summary: Min, Q_1 , Median, Q_3 , Max and outliers
 - ▶ Min is the minimum value in the data.
 - ▶ 25% observations in the sorted data are less than Q_1 .
 - ▶ Median is the absolute center.
 - ▶ 75% observations in the sorted data are less than Q_3 .
 - ▶ $Q_3 - Q_1$ is called IQR (Interquartile Range).
 - ▶ Max is the maximum value in the data.
 - ▶ Outliers are data points far away from other data values.
 - ▶ Any values less than $Q_1 - 1.5 \times IQR$ or greater than $Q_3 + 1.5 \times IQR$ are defined as outliers.
 - ▶ The whiskers extend only as far as the minimum data value that is not an outlier and the maximum data value that is not an outlier.
- Boxplots can be created for individual variables or for variables by group using the function `boxplot`.

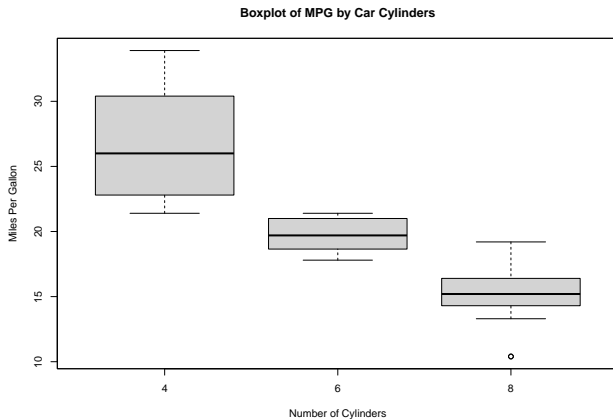
Box plot

```
boxplot(mtcars$mpg, main="Boxplot of MPG",  
        ylab="Miles Per Gallon") # Boxplot of MPG  
box()
```



Box plot

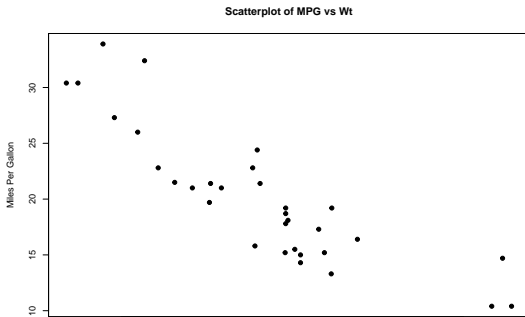
```
boxplot(mpg~cyl,data=mtcars,main="Boxplot of MPG by Car Cylinders",  
        xlab="Number of Cylinders", ylab="Miles Per Gallon")  
box()
```



Scatter plot

- A scatter plot is used to show the relationship between two variables.
- Each data point with two measurements is plotted on the Cartesian (x,y) plane.

```
plot(mtcars$wt, mtcars$mpg,  
     main="Scatterplot of MPG vs Wt",  
     xlab="Car Weight", ylab="Miles Per Gallon", pch=19)  
#pch is used to specify symbols to use;  
#type ?pch or ?points for more information  
box()
```



Scatter plot

- Points shapes (?pch) available in R:

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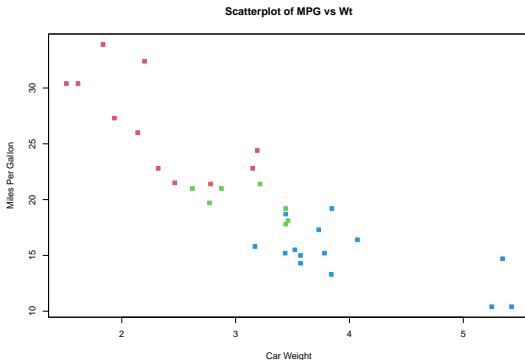
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Scatter plot

- Fill color for `pch = 21:25`.
 - ▶ `bg` fills color for the open plot symbols when `pch = 21:25`.

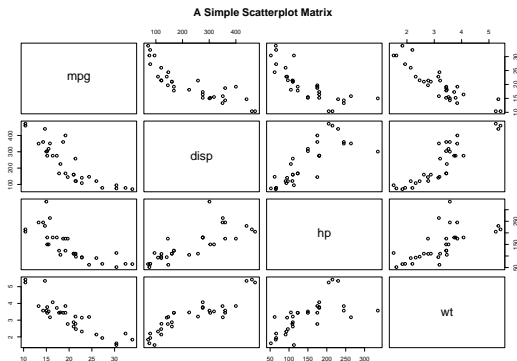
```
plot(mtcars$wt, mtcars$mpg, col=c(2,3,4)[mtcars$cyl],  
     main="Scatterplot of MPG vs Wt",  
     xlab="Car Weight", ylab="Miles Per Gallon", pch=22,  
     bg=c(2,3,4)[mtcars$cyl])  
box()
```



Scatter plot matrix

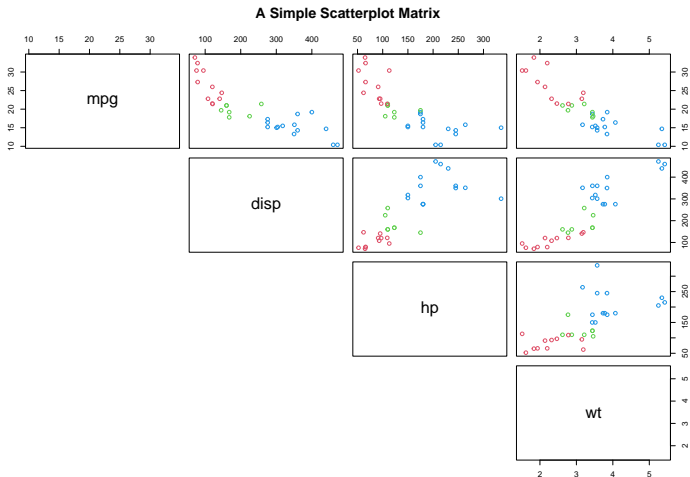
- To see the relationship between any two variables, it is useful to look at the scatter plot matrix.
- `pairs()` function creates beautiful scatter plot matrix.

```
pairs(~mpg+disp+hp+wt,data=mtcars,  
      main="A Simple Scatterplot Matrix")
```



Scatter plot matrix

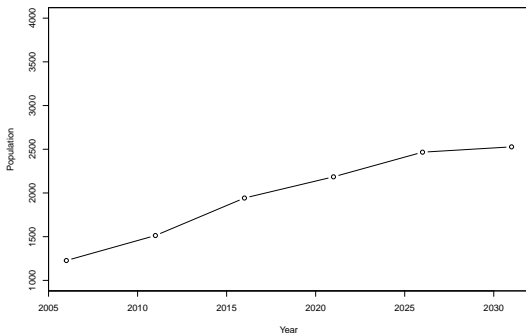
```
pairs(~mpg+disp+hp+wt,data=mtcars, col=c(2,3,4)[mtcars$cyl],  
      main="A Simple Scatterplot Matrix",lower.panel = NULL)
```



Line chart

- Line chart is just a scatter plot by specifying `type = "b"` for points joined line or `type = "l"` for line.

```
y = c(1227.3, 1513.1, 1942.1, 2184.7, 2466.6, 2527.6)
x = c(2006, 2011, 2016, 2021, 2026, 2031)
plot(x,y, type="b", xlab="Year", ylab="Population",
      xlim=c(2006, 2031), ylim=c(1000, 4000))
box()
```



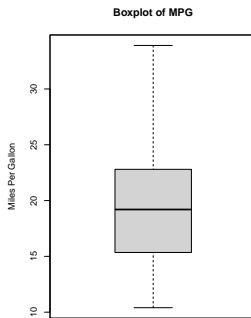
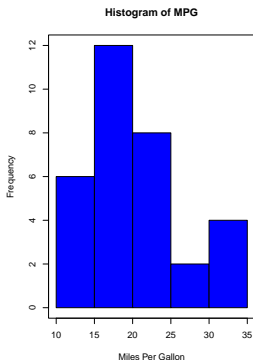
par() function

- `par()` defines the default settings for plots such as fonts, colors, axes, titles.
- The format is `par(optionname=value, optionname=value, ...)`
- If you set parameter values using `par()`, the changes will be in effect for the rest of the session or until you change them again.
- type `?par` in R console to see more information.
- Especially, `par()` can be used to put multiple graphs in a single plot. The syntax to set the plotting area into a $m \times n$ matrix is

`par(mfrow=c(m,n))`

par() function

```
par(mfrow=c(1,2))  
hist(mtcars$mpg, col="blue", xlab="Miles Per Gallon", #breaks = 10,  
     main="Histogram of MPG")  
box()  
boxplot(mtcars$mpg, main="Boxplot of MPG",  
        ylab="Miles Per Gallon") # Boxplot of MPG  
box()
```



Saving a plot

- All graphs we plot in R programming are displayed on the screen by default.
- The graphs can be saved manually.
- We can save plots as a file on disk with the help of built-in functions.
- We need to call the function `dev.off()` after all the plotting, to save the file and return control to the screen.

Saving a plot

- To save a plot as jpeg image we need the `jpeg()` function.

```
#Save the plot in the working directory  
jpeg(file="scatterplot1.jpeg")  
plot(mtcars$wt, mtcars$mpg, main="Scatterplot of MPG vs Wt",  
      xlab="Car Weight", ylab="Miles Per Gallon", pch=19)  
box()  
dev.off()
```

```
## pdf
```

```
## 2
```

Saving a plot

- To save a plot as png image we need the `png()` function.

```
png(file="scatterplot2.png")
plot(mtcars$wt, mtcars$mpg, main="Scatterplot of MPG vs Wt",
     xlab="Car Weight", ylab="Miles Per Gallon", pch=19)
box()
dev.off()

## pdf
## 2
```

Saving a plot

- To save a plot as bmp image we need the `bmp()` function.

```
bmp(file="scatterplot3.bmp")
plot(mtcars$wt, mtcars$mpg, main="Scatterplot of MPG vs Wt",
      xlab="Car Weight", ylab="Miles Per Gallon", pch=19)
box()
dev.off()
```

```
## pdf
## 2
```

Saving a plot

- To save a plot as tiff format we need the `tiff()` function.

```
tiff(file="scatterplot4.tiff")
plot(mtcars$wt, mtcars$mpg, main="Scatterplot of MPG vs Wt",
     xlab="Car Weight", ylab="Miles Per Gallon", pch=19)
box()
dev.off()
```

```
## pdf
## 2
```

Saving a plot

- We can save our plots as **vector image** in pdf or postscript formats.
- The beauty of vector image is that it is easily resizable. Zooming on the image will not compromise its quality.
- To save a plot as pdf format we need the `pdf()` function.

```
pdf(file="scatterplot5.pdf")
plot(mtcars$wt, mtcars$mpg, main="Scatterplot of MPG vs Wt",
     xlab="Car Weight", ylab="Miles Per Gallon", pch=19)
box()
dev.off()
```

```
## pdf
## 2
```

Saving a plot

- To save a plot as ps(postscript) or eps(encapsulated postscript) format we need the `postscript()` function.

```
postscript(file="scatterplot6.eps")
plot(mtcars$wt, mtcars$mpg, main="Scatterplot of MPG vs Wt",
      xlab="Car Weight", ylab="Miles Per Gallon", pch=19)
box()
dev.off()
```

```
## pdf
```

```
## 2
```

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