

Instructions

- This homework assignment is worth 57 points.
- Please submit a `.ipynb` file to Blackboard.
- Please strive for clarity and organization.
- Due Date: October 22, 2021 by 11:59 pm.

Exercise 1

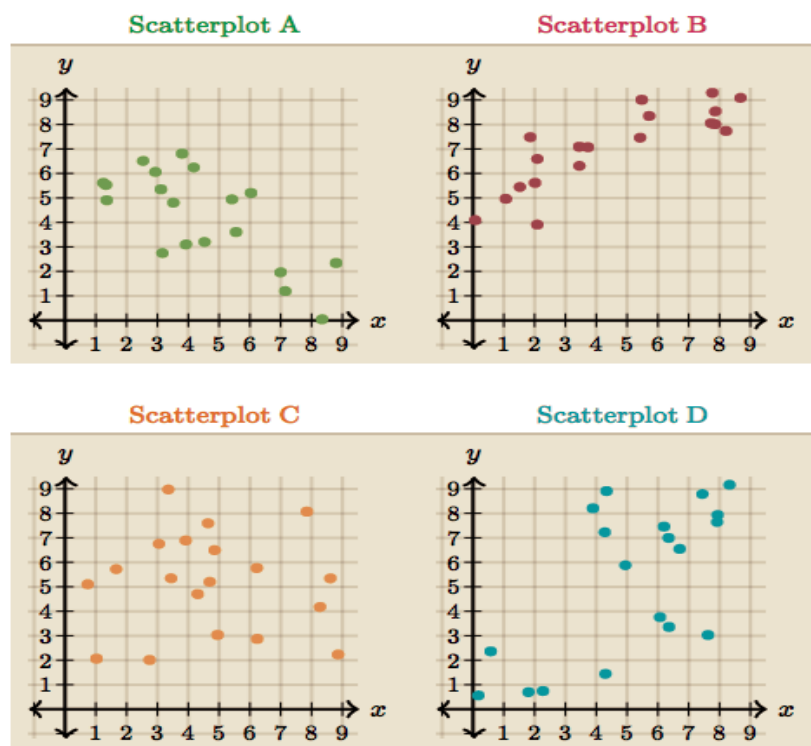
(4 points) What does correlation measure? Be specific.

Exercise 2

(4 points) Why is important to visualize the data using a scatter-plot before computing the correlation? Be specific.

Exercise 3

(5 points) Match the correlation coefficients with the scatter-plots shown below.



(a) $r = 0.65$

- (b) $r = -0.02$
- (c) $r = 0.84$
- (d) $r = -0.72$

Exercise 4

What does Nadal do better on clay? Tennis player Rafael Nadal is considered by some to be the greatest clay-court player of all time, with 9 French Open titles among his 14 grand slam wins (as of June 2014). Nadal's performance on clay to his performance on other surfaces during the period 2008-2012 is shown in the below table.

Table 1: Nadal's performance on clay and non-clay surfaces

		Result		
		Loss	Win	Total
Surface	Non-Clay	3658	2715	6373
	Clay	1660	863	2523
	Total	5318	3578	8896

- (a) (8 points) Compute the correlation coefficient. Interpret this number. Is this correlation significant?
- (b) (5 points) Compute the α , the cross-product ratio. Interpret this number.
- (c) (5 points) Compute the Q , Yule's Q . Interpret this number.

Exercise 5

Consider the `Teams.csv` data file. This is one of the files from [Lahman's baseball database](#). The `Teams.csv` data file contains seasonal stats for major league teams going back to the first professional season in 1871. **In Python**, do the following:

- (a) (4 points) Using pandas, read the csv file and create a data-frame called `mlb`.
- (b) (8 points) Create two new variables: `RD` (run differential as `R - RA`) and `Wpct` (winning percentage as `W / (W + L)`).
- (c) (4 points) We are interested in studying the relationship between `RD` and `Wpct` for recent seasons. Subset the on seasons since 2001.
- (d) (5 points) Create a scatter plot between `RD` and `Wpct`. Describe this plot.
- (e) (5 points) Compute the correlation between `RD` and `Wpct`. Describe this correlation.