### Education data saber 11

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```
saber11=read delim("~/Downloads/SB11 20211.txt",delim="¬")
## Rows: 15528 Columns: 78
## -- Column specification ------
## Delimiter: "¬"
## chr (58): ESTU_TIPODOCUMENTO, ESTU_NACIONALIDAD, ESTU_GENERO, ESTU_FECHANACI...
## dbl (20): PERIODO, COLE_COD_DANE_ESTABLECIMIENTO, COLE_COD_DANE_SEDE, PUNT_L...
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
#saber11 %<>% filter(ESTU_MCPIO_PRESENTACION=="PALMIRA")
saber11 %<>% select(ESTU_CONSECUTIVO,FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE,FAMI_ESTRATOVIVIENDA,starts_with("PUNT"))
saber11$FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE %<>% factor( levels= c(
"No sabe",
"No Aplica",
"Ninguno",
"Primaria incompleta",
"Primaria completa",
"Secundaria (Bachillerato) incompleta",
"Secundaria (Bachillerato) completa",
"Técnica o tecnológica incompleta",
"Educación profesional incompleta",
"Técnica o tecnológica completa",
"Educación profesional completa",
"Postgrado"
 ),
ordered = TRUE )
```

#### Introduction

Data comes from the results of Colombian selectivity exam "Saber 11", this exam is taken by students who are about to end their secondary education and their results are used by universites and other terciary education centers to evaluate admision to undergraduate programs.

In addition to the results of the exams in reading, mathematics, science, social science and english a sociodemograpgic survey of the living condition of the student is included. We will only include the stratum of the student's home and the mother's education, leaving the analysis of other variables as future work.

## Descriptive study of the variables

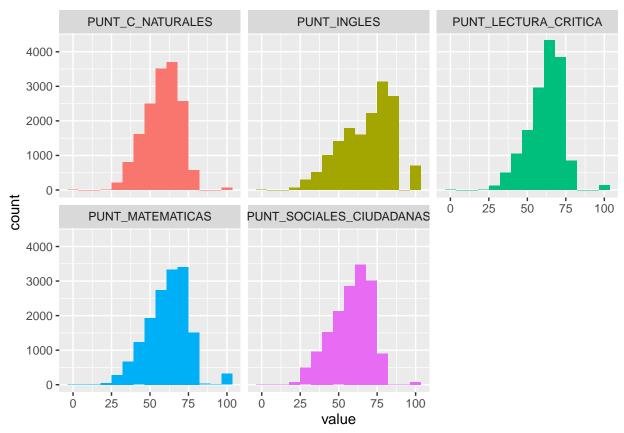
#### Exam scores

The saber 11 exam is divided into five tests: Reading, Mathematics, Social Science, Natural Science and English. Each test is scored in a scale ranging from 0 to 100.

```
puntajes=saber11 %>% select(starts_with("PUNT")) %>% select(-PUNT_GLOBAL)
puntajes %<>% pivot_longer(cols = starts_with("PUNT"))

ggplot(puntajes,aes(x=value))+geom_histogram(aes(fill=name),bins=15)+
  facet_wrap(vars(name),nrow=2)+theme(legend.position = "none")
```

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From the plots we suspect that the scores on each part of the exam follow a normal distribution, this is confirmed as we calculate basic descriptive statistics.

```
puntajes %>%
    group_by(name) %>%
    summarise(mean = mean(value, na.rm = T), sd = sqrt(var(value, na.rm = T)), kurtosis = kurtosis(value, na.rm = TRUE), skewness = skewness(value, na.rm = TRUE))
## # A tibble: 5 x 5
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```
##
     name
                                        sd kurtosis skewness
                                mean
##
     <chr>
                               <dbl> <dbl>
                                              <dbl>
                                                        <dbl>
## 1 PUNT_C_NATURALES
                                58.0 11.4
                                             0.156
                                                     -0.148
## 2 PUNT_INGLES
                                     17.0
                                            -0.457
                                                     -0.398
                                68.4
```

```
## 3 PUNT_LECTURA_CRITICA 61.5 11.1 0.865 -0.283
## 4 PUNT_MATEMATICAS 61.2 13.5 0.436 -0.0695
## 5 PUNT SOCIALES CIUDADANAS 58.1 13.0 -0.0750 -0.324
```

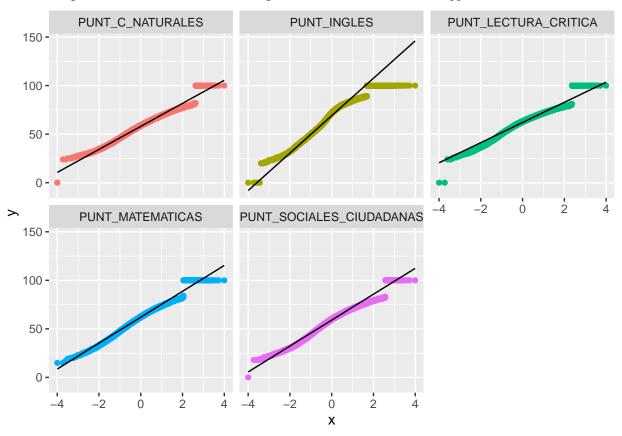
Skewness shows that reading, english and social sciences are slightly slanted to the right while math and science to the right. Reading, math and science seem to be slightly heavy tailed and social sciences has a light tail. However [1] and other authors suggest a guideline that values of both skewness and kurtosis between -1 and 1 are acceptable when dealing with a normal distribution.

QQ plots show also the nomality of most of the variables, note that the outliers seem to impact the kurtosis of the variables.

```
ggplot(puntajes,aes(sample=value))+geom_qq(aes(color=name))+
    stat_qq_line()+facet_wrap(vars(name),nrow=2)+theme(legend.position = "none")
```

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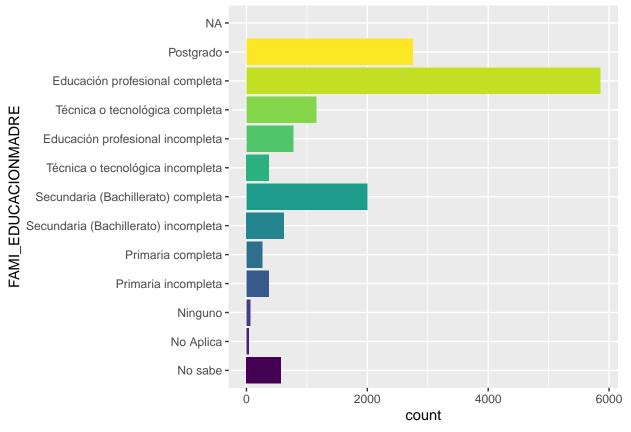


#### Socio demographic variables

We include two variables that reflect the socioacademic background of the student, education of the mother, and stratum of the student's home.

```
ggplot(saber11,aes(y=FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE,fill=FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE))+geom_bar()+
    theme(legend.position = "none")
```

Mother's education level

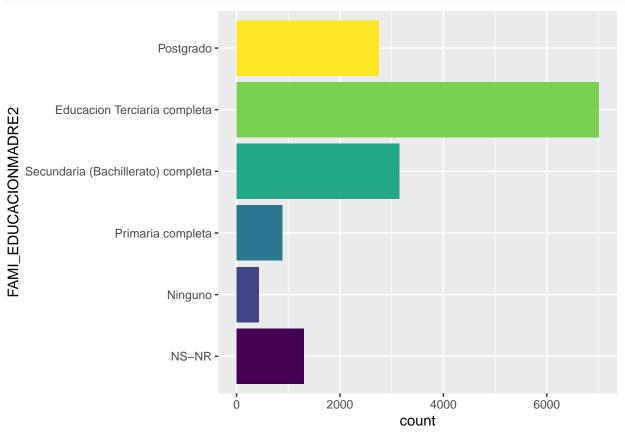


This data uses the highest level of education achieved by the student's mother. As there are a lot of categories and some seem to fit well together, for example joining complete primary education and incomplete secondary education.

```
saber11 %<>% mutate(FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE2=case_when(
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="No sabe"~"NS-NR",
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="No Aplica"~"NS-NR",
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="Ninguno"~"Ninguno",
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="Primaria incompleta"~"Ninguno",
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="Primaria completa"~"Primaria completa",
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="Secundaria (Bachillerato) incompleta"~"Primaria completa",
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="Secundaria (Bachillerato) completa" ~ "Secundaria (Bachillerato) completa" ,
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="Técnica o tecnológica incompleta"~"Secundaria (Bachillerato) completa"
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="Educación profesional incompleta"~"Secundaria (Bachillerato) completa",
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="Técnica o tecnológica completa"~"Educacion Terciaria completa",
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="Educación profesional completa"~"Educacion Terciaria completa",
  FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE=="Postgrado"~"Postgrado" ,
  is.na(FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE)~"NS-NR"
))
saber11$FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE2 %<>% factor( levels= c(
"NS-NR",
"Ninguno",
"Primaria completa",
"Secundaria (Bachillerato) completa",
"Educacion Terciaria completa",
"Postgrado"
```

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),
ordered = TRUE )

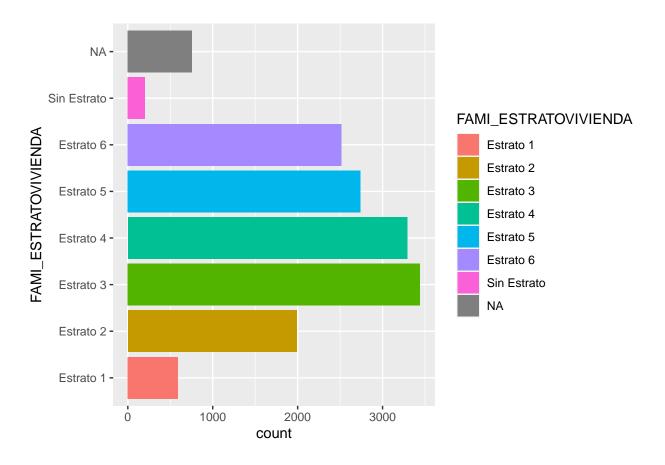
ggplot(saber11,aes(y=FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE2,fill=FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE2))+geom_bar()+
    theme(legend.position = "none")
```



#### Socio-economic stratum

The stratum is a number ranging from 1 to 6 and based on physical characteristics of the structure (such as material used, repairs needed, access to public utilities)[2], that number is also often associated with to the people living in that space. Colombians who are in a similar socioeconomic condition, are assigned by the same number. The higher this number is, the better their socio economical situation is. Categorical variable

ggplot(saber11,aes(y=FAMI\_ESTRATOVIVIENDA,fill=FAMI\_ESTRATOVIVIENDA))+geom\_bar()



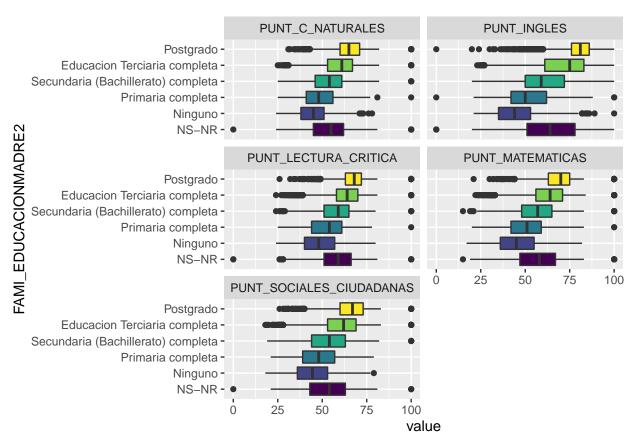
# Impact of socio-economic factors in student's performance

We suspect the mother's education is a good preductor of the students results as shown by the following boxplot.

```
puntajes2=saber11 %>% select(starts_with("PUNT"),FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE2,FAMI_ESTRATOVIVIENDA) %>% select
puntajes2 %<>% pivot_longer(cols = starts_with("PUNT"))

ggplot(puntajes2,aes(x=value,y=FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE2,fill=FAMI_EDUCACIONMADRE2))+
    geom_boxplot()+
    facet_wrap(vars(name),ncol = 2)+theme(legend.position = "none")
```

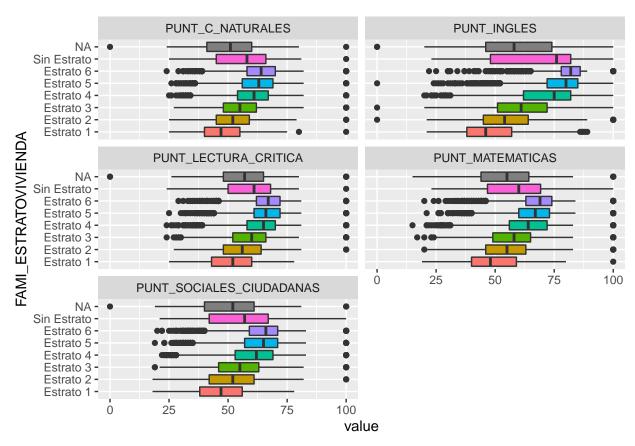
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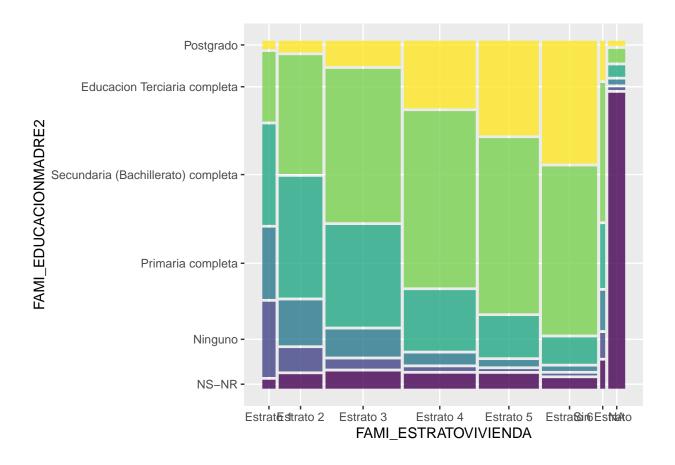
A similar relationship is expected if we use strata as a factor to explain student's performance in each test.

```
ggplot(puntajes2,aes(x=value,y=FAMI_ESTRATOVIVIENDA,fill=FAMI_ESTRATOVIVIENDA))+
  geom_boxplot()+
  facet_wrap(vars(name),ncol = 2)+theme(legend.position = "none")
```

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This is expected as the higher stratum the higher the mother's education is expected to be, this is shown in the following graph.



## References

- [1] George, D. and Mallery, P. (2010) SPSS for Windows Step by Step: A Simple Guide and Reference 17.0 Update. 10th Edition, Pearson, Boston.
- [2] Secretaría distrital de planeación. Estratificación económica-Generalidades. Retrieved from http://www.sdp.gov.co/gestion-estudios-estrategicos/estratificacion/generalidades