Course: Exploratory_Data_Analysis
Lesson: Lattice_Plotting_System

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Output: "Lattice_Plotting_System. (Slides for this and other Data Science courses may be found at github https://github.com/DataScienceSpecialization/courses/. If you care to use them, they must be downloaded as a zip file and viewed locally. This lesson corresponds to 04 ExploratoryAnalysis/PlottingLattice.)"

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Output: In another lesson, we gave you an overview of the three plotting systems in R. In this lesson we'll focus on the lattice plotting system. As we did with the base plotting system, we'll focus on using lattice to create graphics on the screen device rather than another graphics device.

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Output: The lattice plotting system is completely separate and independent of the base plotting system. It's an add-on package so it has to be explicitly loaded with a call to the R function library. We've done this for you. The R Documentation tells us that lattice "is an implementation of Trellis graphics for R. It is a powerful and elegant high-level data visualization system with an emphasis on multivariate data."

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Output: Lattice is implemented using two packages. The first is called, not surprisingly, lattice, and it contains code for producing Trellis graphics. Some of the functions in this package are the higher level functions which you, the user, would call. These include xyplot, bwplot, and levelplot.

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Output: If xyplot produces a scatterplot, what kind of plot does bwplot produce?

AnswerChoices: black and white; big and whittle; box and whisker; bad and wonderful

CorrectAnswer: box and whisker

AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='box and whisker')
Hint: Which choice is the only one without opposites?

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Output: The second package in the lattice system is grid which contains the low-level functions upon which the lattice package is built. You, the user, seldom call functions from the grid package directly.

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Output: Unlike base plotting, the lattice system does not have a "two-phase" aspect with separate plotting and annotation. Instead all plotting and annotation is done at once with a single function call.

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Output: The lattice system, as the base does, provides several different plotting functions. These include xyplot for creating scatterplots, bwplot for box-and-whiskers plots or boxplots, and histogram for histograms. There are several others (stripplot, dotplot, splom and levelplot), which we won't cover here.

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Output: Lattice functions generally take a formula for their first argument, usually of the form $y \sim x$. This indicates that y depends on x, so in a scatterplot y would be plotted on the y-axis and x on the x-axis.

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Output: Here's an example of typical lattice plot call, $xyplot(y \sim x \mid f * g, data)$. The f and g represent the optional conditioning variables. The * represents interaction between them. Remember when we said that lattice is good for plotting multivariate data? That's where these conditioning variables come into play.

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Output: The second argument is the data frame or list from which the variables in the formula should be looked up. If no data frame or list is passed, then the parent frame is used. If no other arguments are passed, the default values are used.

- 43 - Class: cmd question Output: Recall the airquality data we've used before. We've loaded it again for you. 44 To remind yourself what it looks like run the R command head with airquality as an argument to see what the data looks like. 45 CorrectAnswer: head(airquality) 46 AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='head(airquality)') 47 Hint: Type head(airquality) at the command prompt. 48 49 - Class: cmd question 50 Output: Now try running xyplot with the formula Ozone~Wind as the first argument and
- the second argument data set equal to airquality.
- 51 CorrectAnswer: xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind, data = airquality)
- 52 AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind, data = airquality)') 53
 - Hint: Type xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind, data = airquality) at the command prompt.
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- Output: Look vaguely familiar? The dots are blue, instead of black, but lattice labeled the axes for you. You can use some of the same graphical parameters (e.g., pch and col) that you used in the base package in calls to lattice functions.
- 58 - Class: cmd question
- 59 Output: Now rerun xyplot with the formula Ozone~Wind as the first argument and the second argument data set equal to airquality (use the up arrow to save typing). This time add the arguments col set equal to "red", pch set equal to 8, and main set equal to "Big Apple Data".
- 60 CorrectAnswer: xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind, data = airquality, pch=8, col="red", main="Big Apple Data")
- 61 AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind, data = airquality, pch=8, col="red", main="Big Apple Data")')
- 62 Hint: Type xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind, data = airquality, pch=8, col="red", main="Big Apple Data") at the command prompt.
- 64 - Class: text
 - Output: Red snowflakes are cool, right? Now that you've seen the basic xyplot() and some of its arguments, you might want to experiment more by yourself when you're done with the lesson to discover what other arguments and colors are available. (If you can't wait to experiment, recall that swirl has play() and nxt() functions. At a command prompt, typing play() allows you to leave swirl temporarily so you can try different R commands at the console. Typing nxt() when you're done playing brings you back to swirl and you can resume your lesson.)
- 67 - Class: text
- 68 Output: Now you'll see how easy it is to generate a multipanel plot using a single lattice command.
- 70 - Class: cmd question
- 71 Output: Run xyplot with the formula Ozone~Wind | as.factor(Month) as the first argument and the second argument data set equal to airquality (use the up arrow to save typing). So far, not much is different, right? Add a third argument, layout, set equal to c(5,1).
- CorrectAnswer: xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind | as.factor(Month), data = airquality, 72 layout=c(5,1)
- 73 AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind | as.factor(Month), data = airquality, layout=c(5,1))')
- 74 Hint: Type xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind | as.factor(Month), data = airquality, layout=c(5,1)) at the command prompt. 75
- 76 - Class: mult question
- 77 Output: Note that the default color and plotting character are back. What did the as.factor(Month) do?
- 78 AnswerChoices: Displayed and labeled each subplot with the month's integer; Displayed the data by individual months; Huh?; Randomly divided the data into 5 panels 79 CorrectAnswer: Displayed and labeled each subplot with the month's integer
- 80 AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='Displayed and labeled each subplot with the month\'s integer')
- Hint: Obviously the data is broken up and displayed by month. The as.factor made sure 81 each panel was labeled correctly.
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        Output: Since Month is a named column of the airquality dataframe we had to tell R
        to treat it as a factor. To see how this affects the plot, rerun the xyplot command
        you just ran, but use Ozone ~ Wind | Month instead of Ozone ~ Wind | as.factor(Month)
        as the first argument.
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        CorrectAnswer: xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind | Month, data = airquality, layout=c(5,1))
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind | Month, data = airquality,
        layout=c(5,1))'
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        Hint: Type xyplot(Ozone ~ Wind | Month, data = airquality, layout=c(5,1)) at the
        command prompt.
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        Output: Not as informative, right? The word Month in each panel really doesn't tell
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        you much if it doesn't identify which month it's plotting. Notice that the actual
        data is the same between the two plots, though.
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        Output: Lattice functions behave differently from base graphics functions in one
        critical way. Recall that base graphics functions plot data directly to the graphics
        device (e.g., screen, or file such as a PDF file). In contrast, lattice graphics
        functions return an object of class trellis.
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      - Class: figure
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        Output: The print methods for lattice functions actually do the work of plotting the
        data on the graphics device. They return "plot objects" that can be stored (but it's
        usually better to just save the code and data). On the command line, trellis objects
        are auto-printed so that it appears the function is plotting the data.
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        Figure: clearPlot.R
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        FigureType: new
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      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: To see this, create a variable p which is assigned the output of this simple
        call to xyplot, xyplot(Ozone~Wind, data=airquality).
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        CorrectAnswer: p <- xyplot(Ozone~Wind, data=airquality)</pre>
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        AnswerTests: expr creates var("p"); omnitest(correctExpr='p <-</pre>
        xyplot(Ozone~Wind, data=airquality)')
104
        Hint: Type p <- xyplot(Ozone~Wind, data=airquality) at the command prompt.</pre>
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        Output: Nothing plotted, right? But the object p is around.
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      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: Type p or print(p) now to see it.
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        CorrectAnswer: p
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        AnswerTests: ANY of exprs('p','print(p)')
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        Hint: Type p or print(p) at the command prompt.
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      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: Like magic, it appears. Now run the R command names with p as its argument.
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        CorrectAnswer: names(p)
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='names(p)')
119
        Hint: Type names(p) at the command prompt.
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121
      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: We see that the trellis object p has 45 named properties, the first of which
        is "formula" which isn't too surprising. A lot of these properties are probably NULL
        in value. We've done some behind-the-scenes work for you and created two vectors. The
        first, mynames, is a character vector of the names in p. The second is a boolean
        vector, myfull, which has TRUE values for nonnull entries of p. Run mynames[myfull]
        to see which entries of p are not NULL.
123
        CorrectAnswer: mynames[myfull]
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='mynames[myfull]')
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        Hint: Type mynames[myfull] at the command prompt.
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127
      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: Wow! 29 nonNull values for one little plot. Note that a lot of them are like
        the ones we saw in the base plotting system. Let's look at the values of some of
        them. Type p[["formula"]] now.
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        CorrectAnswer: p[["formula"]]
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='p[["formula"]]')
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        Hint: Type p[["formula"]] at the command prompt.
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      - Class: cmd question
        Output: Not surprising, is it? It's a familiar formula. Now look at p's x.limits.
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        Remember the double square brackets and quotes.
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        CorrectAnswer: p[["x.limits"]]
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='p[["x.limits"]]')
137
        Hint: Type p[["x.limits"]] at the command prompt.
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        Output: They match the plot, right? The x values are indeed between .37 and 22.03.
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        Output: Again, not surprising. Before we wrap up, let's talk about lattice's panel
        functions which control what happens inside each panel of the plot. The ease of
        making multi-panel plots makes lattice very appealing. The lattice package comes with
        default panel functions, but you can customize what happens in each panel.
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        Output: Panel functions receive the x and y coordinates of the data points in their
        panel (along with any optional arguments). To see this, we've created some data for
        you - two 100-long vectors, x and y. For its first 50 values y is a function of x,
        for the last 50 values, y is random. We've also defined a 100-long factor vector f
        which distinguishes between the first and last 50 elements of the two vectors. Run
        the R command table with f as it argument.
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        CorrectAnswer: table(f)
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='table(f)')
149
        Hint: Type table(f) at the command prompt.
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      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: The first 50 entries of f are "Group 1" and the last 50 are "Group 2". Run
        xyplot with two arguments. The first is the formula y \sim x \mid f, and the second is layout
        set equal to c(2,1). Note that we're not providing an explicit data argument, so
        xyplot will look in the environment and see the x and y that we've generated for you.
153
        CorrectAnswer: xyplot(y \sim x | f, layout = c(2, 1))
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='xyplot(y \sim x \mid f, layout = c(2, 1))')
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        Hint: Type xyplot(y \sim x | f, layout = c(2, 1)) at the command prompt.
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      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: To understand this a little better look at the variable v1 we've created for
        you.
159
        CorrectAnswer: v1
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='v1')
161
        Hint: Type v1 at the command prompt.
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      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: The first two numbers are the range of the x values of Group 1 and the last
        two numbers are the range of y values of Group 1. See how they match the values of
        the left panel (Group 1) in the plot. Now look at v2 which holds the comparable
        numbers for Group 2.
165
        CorrectAnswer: v2
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='v2')
167
        Hint: Type v2 at the command prompt.
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169
      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: Again, the values match the plot. That's reassuring. We've copied some code
        from the slides for you. To see it, type myedit("plot1.R"). This will open your
        editor and display the R code in it.
171
        CorrectAnswer: myedit("plot1.R")
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='myedit("plot1.R")')
173
        Hint: Type myedit("plot1.R") at the command prompt.
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      - Class: mult question
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        Output: How many calls to basic lattice plotting functions are there in plot1.R?
177
        AnswerChoices: 1;2;3
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        CorrectAnswer: 1
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='1')
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        Hint: How many calls to xyplot are there?
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      - Class: mult question
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        Output: Note the panel function. How many formal arguments does it have?
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        AnswerChoices: 1;2;3
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        CorrectAnswer:
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='3')
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        Hint: You have to count the ... as an argument?
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        Output: The panel function has 3 arguments, x, y and ... . This last stands for all
        other arguments (such as graphical parameters) you might want to include. There are 2
        lines in the panel function. Each invokes a panel method, the first to plot the data
        in each panel (panel.xyplot), the second to draw a horizontal line in each panel
        (panel.abline). Note the similarity of this last call to that of the base plotting
        function of the same name.
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        Figure: clearPlot.R
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        Output: We've defined a function for you, pathtofile, which takes a filename as its
        argument. This makes sure R can find the file on your computer. Now run the R command
        source with two arguments. The first is the call to pathtofile with the string
        "plot1.R" as its argument and the second is the argument local set equal to TRUE.
        This command will run the code contained in plot1.R within the swirl environment so
        you can see what it does.
195
        CorrectAnswer: source(pathtofile("plot1.R"), local=TRUE)
196
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='source(pathtofile("plot1.R"),local=TRUE)')
        Hint: Type source(pathtofile("plot1.R"), local=TRUE) at the command prompt.
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      - Class: mult question
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        Output: See how the lines appear. The plot shows two panels because...?
201
        AnswerChoices: f contains 2 factors; there are 2 calls to panel methods; lattice can
        handle at most 2 panels; there are 2 variables
202
        CorrectAnswer: f contains 2 factors
203
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='f contains 2 factors')
204
        Hint: The number of panels depends on the conditioning variable, and in this case it
        is f.
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        Output: We've copied another piece of similar code, i.e., a call to xyplot with a
        custom panel function, from the slides. To see it, type myedit("plot2.R"). This will
        open your editor and display the R code in it.
208
        CorrectAnswer: myedit("plot2.R")
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='myedit("plot2.R")')
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210
        Hint: Type myedit ("plot2.R") at the command prompt.
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        Output: You can see how plot2.R differs from plot1.R, right?
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215
      - Class: cmd question
216
        Output: Again, run the R command source with the two arguments pathtofile("plot2.R")
        and local=TRUE. This will run the code in plot2.R.
217
        CorrectAnswer: source(pathtofile("plot2.R"),local=TRUE)
218
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='source(pathtofile("plot2.R"),local=TRUE)')
219
        Hint: Type source(pathtofile("plot2.R"),local=TRUE) at the command prompt.
220
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      - Class: mult question
222
        Output: The regression lines are red because ...?
223
        AnswerChoices: R always plots regression lines in red; R is the first letter of the
        word red; the custom panel function specified a col argument
224
        CorrectAnswer: the custom panel function specified a col argument
225
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='the custom panel function specified a col argument')
226
        Hint: Look carefully at the arguments in the call to panel.lmline.
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      - Class: figure
229
        Output: Before we close we'll look at how easily lattice can handle a plot with a
        great many panels. (The sky's the limit.) We've loaded some diamond data for you. It
        comes with the ggplot2 package. We'll use it just to show off lattice's panel
        plotting capability.
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        Figure: clearPlot.R
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        FigureType: new
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      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: The data is in the data frame diamonds. Use the R command str to see what it
        looks like.
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        CorrectAnswer: str(diamonds)
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='str(diamonds)')
237
        Hint: Type str(diamonds) at the command prompt.
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239
      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: So the data frame contains 10 pieces of information for each of 53940
        diamonds. Run the R command table with diamonds$color as an argument.
        CorrectAnswer: table(diamonds$color)
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='table(diamonds$color)')
243
        Hint: Type table (diamonds$color) at the command prompt.
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      - Class: cmd question
        Output: We see 7 colors each represented by a letter. Now run the R command table
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        with two arguments, diamonds$color and diamonds$cut.
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        CorrectAnswer: table(diamonds$color, diamonds$cut)
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='table(diamonds$color, diamonds$cut)')
249
        Hint: Type table(diamonds$color, diamonds$cut) at the command prompt.
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      - Class: mult question
253
        Output: We see a 7 by 5 array with counts indicating how many diamonds in the data
        frame have a particular color and cut. From the table, which is the most frequent
        combination?
254
        AnswerChoices: Premium cut of color G; Ideal color of cut G; Ideal cut of color G;
        Ideal cut of color F.
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        CorrectAnswer: Ideal cut of color G
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='Ideal cut of color G')
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        Hint: Colors are depicted by letters, so one choice is eliminated. Which letter
        appears in most of the choices?
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260
        Output: To save you some trouble we've defined three character strings for you,
        labels for the x- and y-axes and a main title. They're in the file myLabels.R, so run
        myedit on this file to see them. Remember to put the file name in quotes when you
        call myedit.
261
        CorrectAnswer: myedit("myLabels.R")
262
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='myedit("myLabels.R")')
263
        Hint: Type myedit("myLabels.R") at the command prompt.
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265
      - Class: cmd question
266
        Output: Now run source with pathtofile ("myLabels.R") and local set equal to TRUE.
267
        CorrectAnswer: source(pathtofile("myLabels.R"), local=TRUE)
268
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctExpr='source(pathtofile("myLabels.R"),local=TRUE)')
269
        Hint: Type source(pathtofile("myLabels.R"),local=TRUE) at the command prompt.
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      - Class: cmd question
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        Output: Now call xyplot with the formula price~carat | color*cut and data set equal
        to diamonds. In addition, set the argument strip equal to FALSE, pch set equal to
        20, xlab to myxlab, ylab to myylab, and main to mymain. The plot may take longer than
        previous plots because it is bigger.
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        CorrectAnswer:
        xyplot(price~carat|color*cut,data=diamonds,strip=FALSE,pch=20,xlab=myxlab,ylab=myylab,m
        ain=mymain)
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        AnswerTests:
        omnitest(correctExpr='xyplot(price~carat|color*cut,data=diamonds,strip=FALSE,pch=20,xla
        b=myxlab, ylab=myylab, main=mymain) ')
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Output: Pretty cool, right? 35 panels, one for each combination of color and cut. The dots (pch=20) show how prices for the diamonds in each category (panel) vary depending on carat.

xyplot(price~carat|color*cut,data=diamonds,strip=FALSE,pch=20,xlab=myxlab,ylab=myylab,m

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ain=mymain) at the command prompt.

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        Output: Are colors defining the rows or columns of the plot?
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        AnswerChoices: rows; columns
283
        CorrectAnswer: columns
284
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='columns')
285
        Hint: Recall that there were 7 colors and 5 cuts in the data.
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287
      - Class: cmd question
288
        Output: Were you curious about that argument strip? I know I was. Now rerun the
        xyplot command you just ran (use the up arrow key to retrieve it), this time without
        the strip argument.
289
        CorrectAnswer:
        xyplot(price~carat|color*cut,data=diamonds,pch=20,xlab=myxlab,ylab=myylab,main=mymain)
290
        AnswerTests:
        omnitest(correctExpr='xyplot(price~carat|color*cut,data=diamonds,pch=20,xlab=myxlab,yla
        b=myylab, main=mymain) ')
291
        Hint: Type
        xyplot(price~carat|color*cut,data=diamonds,pch=20,xlab=myxlab,ylab=myylab,main=mymain)
        at the command prompt.
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293
      - Class: mult question
294
        Output: The plot shows that the strip argument ....
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        AnswerChoices: labels each panel; removes information from the plot; makes the plot
        less intelligible; has a default value of FALSE
296
        CorrectAnswer: columns
297
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='labels each panel')
298
        Hint: Do the words in the colorful stripes convey useful information?
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        Output: Review time!!!
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      - Class: mult question
305
        Output: True or False? Lattice plots are constructed by a series of calls to core
        functions.
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        AnswerChoices: True; False
307
        CorrectAnswer: False
308
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='False')
309
        Hint: Recall the long call you just made to plot 35 panels in one picture. We would
        have broken it up if we could have, but we didn't, so we can't.
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311
      - Class: mult question
312
        Output: True or False? Lattice plots are constructed with a single function call to a
        core lattice function (e.g. xyplot)
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       AnswerChoices: True; False
        CorrectAnswer: True
314
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        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='True')
316
        Hint: This is the opposite of the last question which was false.
317
318
      - Class: mult question
319
        Output: True or False? Aspects like margins and spacing are automatically handled and
        defaults are usually sufficient.
320
        AnswerChoices: True; False
321
        CorrectAnswer: True
322
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='True')
323
        Hint: In any of our examples, did we mention margins?
324
325
      - Class: mult question
326
        Output: True or False? The lattice system is ideal for creating conditioning plots
        where you examine the same kind of plot under many different conditions.
327
        AnswerChoices: True; False
328
        CorrectAnswer: True
329
        AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='True')
330
        Hint: Think of the ease with which lattice handles multi-panel plots.
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332
      - Class: mult question
333
        Output: True or False? The lattice system, like the base plotting system, returns a
        trellis plot object.
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        AnswerChoices: True; False
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       CorrectAnswer: False
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       AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='False')
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       Hint: This is the key difference between the two systems. Lattice DOES return a plot
       object but base doesn't.
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     - Class: mult question
       Output: True or False? Panel functions can NEVER be customized to modify what is
340
       plotted in each of the plot panels.
341
      AnswerChoices: True; False
342
      CorrectAnswer: False
343
      AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='False')
      Hint: Recall our advice to NEVER trust questions with NEVER and ALWAYS in them.
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346
     - Class: mult question
347
       Output: True or False? Lattice plots can display at most 20 panels in a single plot.
348
       AnswerChoices: True; False
349
       CorrectAnswer: False
350
      AnswerTests: omnitest(correctVal='False')
351
       Hint: Recall the sparkly diamonds.
352
353
     - Class: text
354
       Output: Congrats! We hope this lesson didn't leave you climbing the trellis.
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356
     - Class: mult question
357
       Output: "Would you like to receive credit for completing this course on
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         Coursera.org?"
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       CorrectAnswer: NULL
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       AnswerChoices: Yes; No
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Hint: ""

AnswerTests: coursera on demand()