

DATA SCIENCE FOR ECONOMISTS

ECON 220 LAB

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Week 7, Data visualization – 10/10/2025

Outline

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Scatterplots with
seaborn

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Bar charts

Importing required libraries and dataset

```
# %pip install seaborn
```

✓ 0.0s

Python

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns # New package
```

✓ 6.2s

Python

```
# Find working directory
import os
path = os.getcwd()
print(path)
```

✓ 0.0s

Python

Load the data

```
# Import data
data = pd.read_csv('college.csv')

# First 10 rows
data.head(10)
```

✓ 0.0s  Open 'data' in Data Wrangler

Python

	# id		name	city
0	102669		Alaska Pacific University	Anchorage
1	101648		Marion Military Institute	Marion
2	100830		Auburn University at Montgomery	Montgomery
3	101879		University of North Alabama	Florence
4	100858		Auburn University	Auburn
5	100663		University of Alabama at Birmingham	Birmingham
6	101480		Jacksonville State University	Jacksonville
7	102049		Samford University	Birmingham
8	101709		University of Montevallo	Montevallo
9	100751		The University of Alabama	Tuscaloosa

10 rows x 17 cols

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Do the data types make sense?

```
# Data's information  
data.info()
```

✓ 0.0s

Python

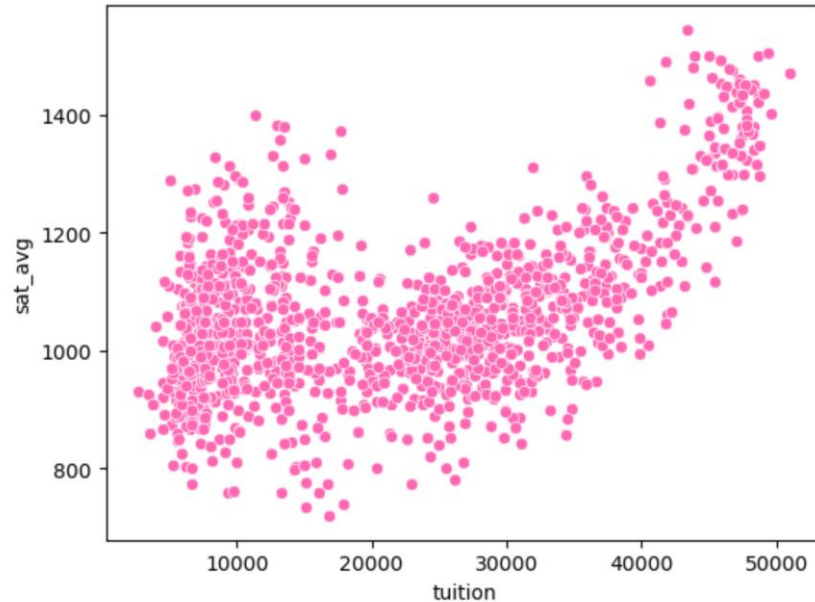
```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>  
RangeIndex: 1269 entries, 0 to 1268  
Data columns (total 17 columns):  
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype    
---  ---                  
0   id                    1269 non-null  int64    
1   name                  1269 non-null  object   
2   city                  1269 non-null  object   
3   state                 1269 non-null  object   
4   region                1269 non-null  object   
5   highest_degree        1269 non-null  object   
6   control               1269 non-null  object   
7   gender                1269 non-null  object   
8   admission_rate        1269 non-null  float64  
9   sat_avg               1269 non-null  int64    
10  undergrads            1269 non-null  int64    
11  tuition               1269 non-null  int64    
12  faculty_salary_avg    1269 non-null  int64    
13  loan_default_rate     1267 non-null  float64  
14  median_debt           1269 non-null  float64  
15  lon                   1269 non-null  float64  
16  lat                   1269 non-null  float64  
dtypes: float64(5), int64(5), object(7)  
memory usage: 168.7+ KB
```

Scatterplots with seaborn

```
# Plot correlation between tuition and SAT score  
scatter = sns.scatterplot(data, x='tuition', y='sat_avg', color='hotpink')
```

✓ 0.3s

Python



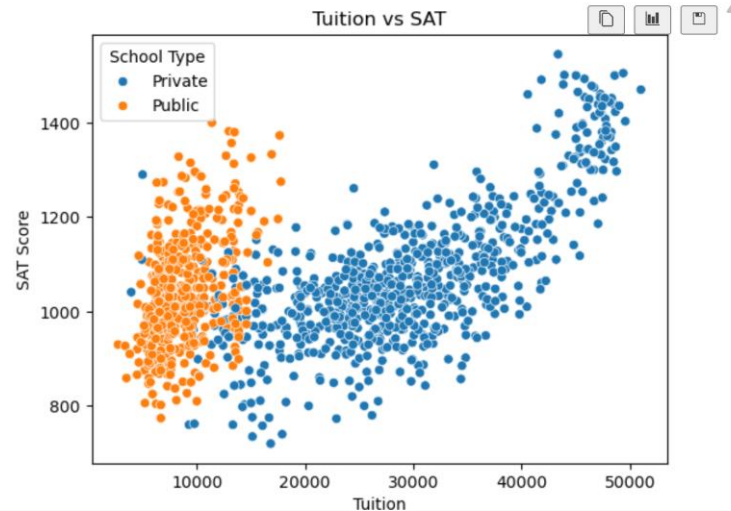
Tuition versus SAT by school type

```
scatter = sns.scatterplot(data, x='tuition', y='sat_avg', hue='control')  
# Change title and labels  
scatter.set(title = 'Tuition vs SAT', xlabel = 'Tuition', ylabel = 'SAT Score')  
# Modify legend: because seaborn is based on matplotlib, so use plt  
plt.legend(title='School Type')
```

✓ 0.3s

Python

<matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x24d2df55340>

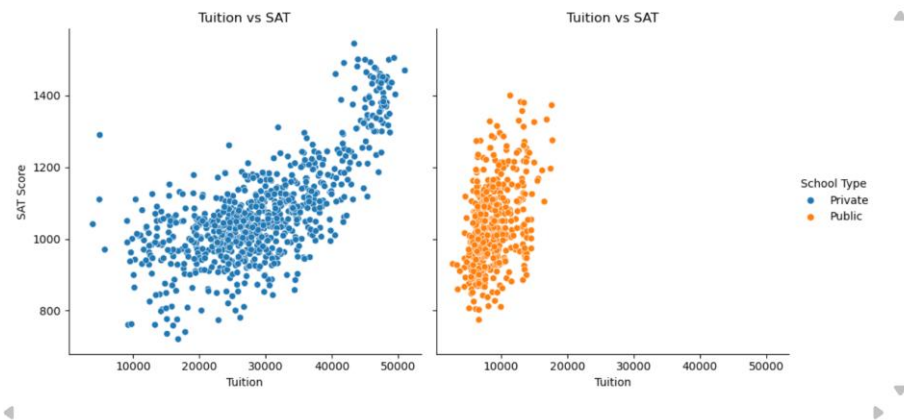


Facet grid

```
# Split scatterplot into two: use "relplot()"
scatter = sns.relplot(data, x='tuition', y='sat_avg', hue='control',
col='control');
# Change title and labels
scatter.set(title = 'Tuition vs SAT', xlabel = 'Tuition', ylabel = 'SAT
Score');
# Modify legend for two plots side by side:
scatter._legend.set_title('School Type')
# plt.legend() can only modify legend within 1 plot
```

✓ 0.7s

Python



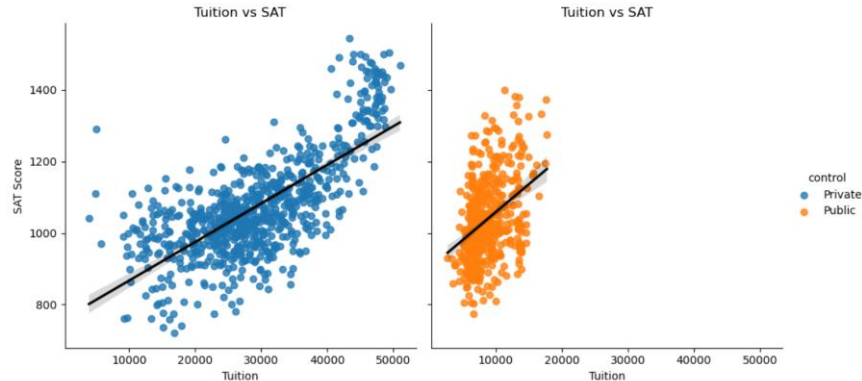
Trend lines

```
# Add linear line: use "lplot()"
scatter = sns.lmplot(data, x='tuition', y='sat_avg', hue='control',
col='control', line_kws={'color':'black'})
# Change title and labels
scatter.set(title = 'Tuition vs SAT', xlabel = 'Tuition', ylabel = 'SAT
Score').add_legend()
# Use .add_legend() to bring back the legend
```

✓ 0.9s

Python

<seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x24d2ffb5700>

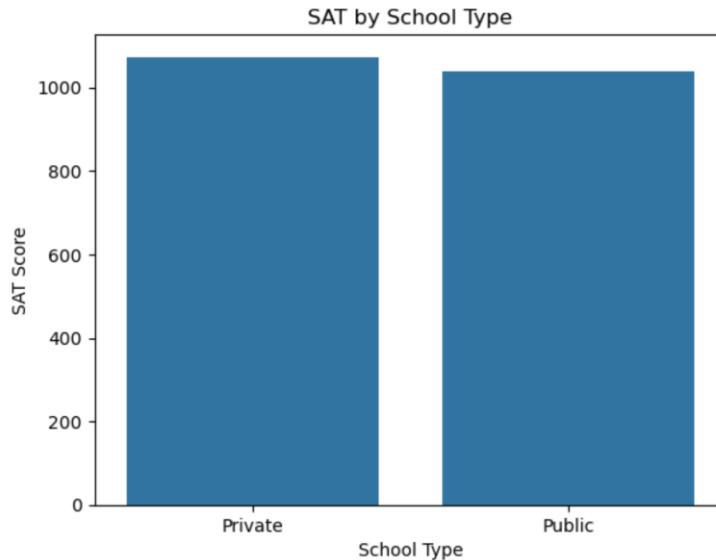


Bar charts with seaborn

```
# Barplot to compare average SAT score between public and private universities
bar = sns.barplot(data, x='control', y='sat_avg', errorbar=None);
bar.set(title = 'SAT by School Type', xlabel = 'School Type', ylabel = 'SAT
Score');
```

✓ 0.1s

Python



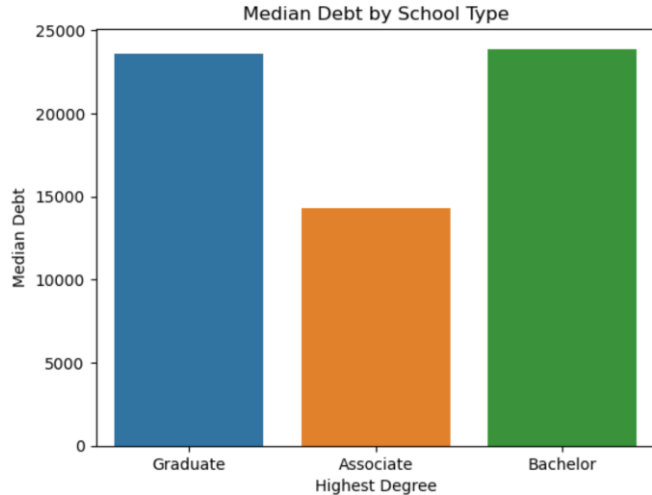
Bar charts with seaborn

```
bar = sns.barplot(data, x='highest_degree', y='median_debt',  
hue='highest_degree', errorbar=None)  
bar.set(title = 'Median Debt by School Type',  
xlabel = 'Highest Degree', ylabel = 'Median Debt')
```

✓ 0.2s

Python

```
[Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Median Debt by School Type'),  
Text(0.5, 0, 'Highest Degree'),  
Text(0, 0.5, 'Median Debt')]
```

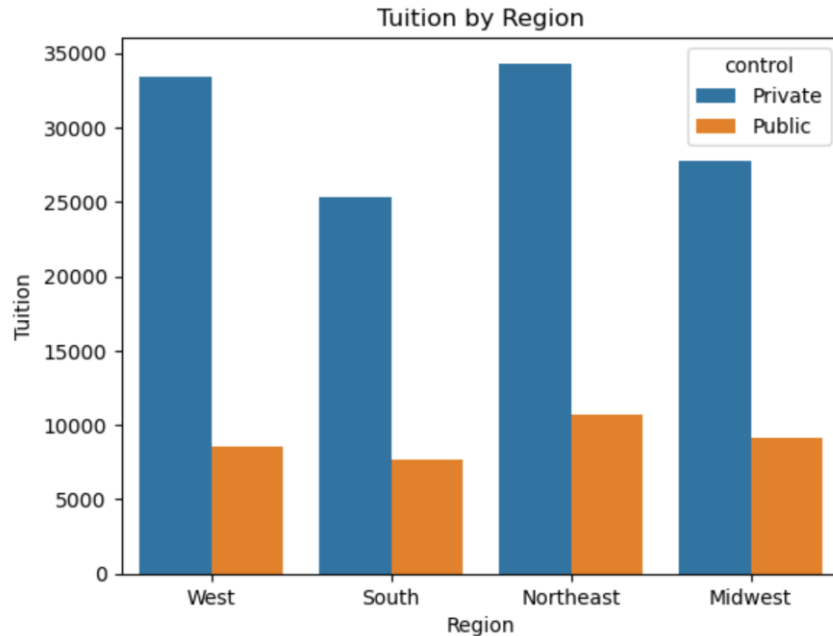


Bar charts with seaborn

```
bar = sns.barplot(data, x='region', y='tuition', hue='control', errorbar=None);  
bar.set(title = 'Tuition by Region', xlabel = 'Region', ylabel = 'Tuition');
```

✓ 0.2s

Python



Recap

- We created scatterplots and bar plots using seaborn.
- We analyzed correlations in college data.

To-do list

- **Complete Data Exercise 4**
 - Upload Jupyter notebook (.ipynb file) and HTML file on **October 12**
- **Complete Data Exercise 5**
 - Upload Jupyter notebook (.ipynb file) and HTML file on **October 19**