

Class 10: Halloween Mini-Project

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Background

In this mini-project, you will explore FiveThirtyEight's Halloween Candy dataset. FiveThirtyEight, sometimes rendered as just 538, is an American website that focuses mostly on opinion poll analysis, politics, economics, and sports blogging. They recently ran a rather large poll to determine which candy their readers like best. From their website: "While we don't know who exactly voted, we do know this: 8,371 different IP addresses voted on about 269,000 randomly generated candy matchups". task is to explore their candy dataset to find out answers to these types of questions - but most of all your job is to have fun, learn by doing hands on data analysis, and hopefully make this type of analysis less frightening for the future! Let's get started.

1. Importing candy data

```
candy_file <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/fivethirtyeight/data/master/candy-power-ranking.csv"
candy <- read.csv(candy_file, row.names = 1)
head(candy)
```

	chocolate	fruity	caramel	peanutyalmond	nougat	crispedrice	wafers
100 Grand	1	0	1		0	0	1
3 Musketeers	1	0	0		0	1	0
One dime	0	0	0		0	0	0
One quarter	0	0	0		0	0	0
Air Heads	0	1	0		0	0	0
Almond Joy	1	0	0		1	0	0
	hard	bar	pluribus	sugarpercent	pricepercent	winpercent	
100 Grand	0	1	0	0.732	0.860	66.97173	
3 Musketeers	0	1	0	0.604	0.511	67.60294	

One dime	0	0	0	0.011	0.116	32.26109
One quarter	0	0	0	0.011	0.511	46.11650
Air Heads	0	0	0	0.906	0.511	52.34146
Almond Joy	0	1	0	0.465	0.767	50.34755

- **Q1.** How many different candy types are in this dataset

```
nrow(candy)
```

[1] 85

85

- **Q2.** How many fruity candy types are in the dataset?

```
sum(candy$fruity)
```

[1] 38

38

2. What is your favorite candy?

One of the most interesting variables in the dataset is `winpercent`. For a given candy this value is the percentage of people who prefer this candy over another randomly chosen candy from the dataset (what 538 term a matchup). Higher values indicate a more popular candy.

We can find the `winpercent` value for Twix by using its name to access the corresponding row of the dataset. This is because the dataset has each candy name as `rownames` (recall that we set this when we imported the original CSV file). For example the code for Twix is:

```
candy["Twix", ]$winpercent
```

- **Q3.** What is your favorite candy in the dataset and what is it's `winpercent` value?

```
candy["Nestle Crunch", ]$winpercent
```

[1] 66.47068

66.47

- **Q4.** What is the `winpercent` value for “Kit Kat”?

```
candy["Kit Kat",]$winpercent
```

[1] 76.7686

76.77

- **Q5.** What is the `winpercent` value for “Tootsie Roll Snack Bars”?

```
candy["Tootsie Roll Snack Bars",]$winpercent
```

[1] 49.6535

49.65

load `skimr` package

```
#install.packages("skimr")
#library("skimr")
#skim(candy)
```

Q6. Is there any variable/column that looks to be on a different scale to the majority of the other columns in the dataset?

The `winpercent` variable is on a different scale (0–100) while most others are binary (0 or 1)

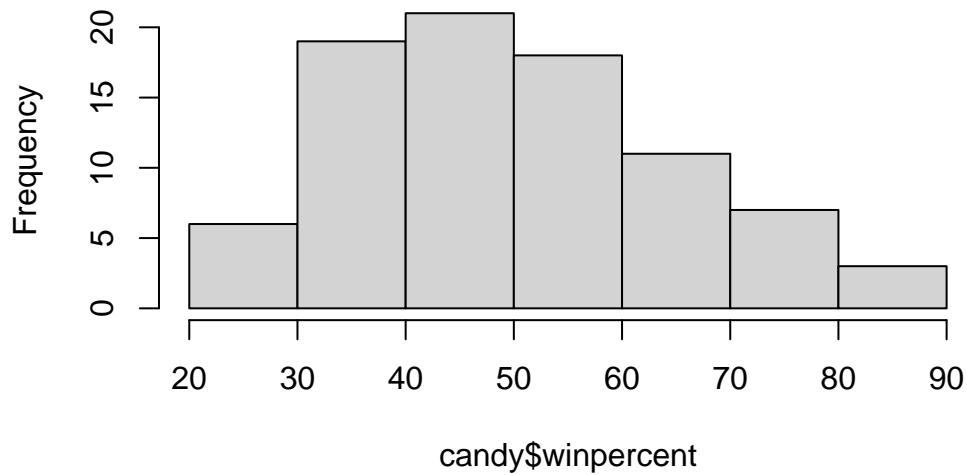
Q7. What do you think a zero and one represent for the `candy$chocolate` column?

A value of 1 means the candy contains chocolate, and 0 means it does not contain chocolate.

Q8. Plot a histogram of `winpercent` values

```
hist(candy$winpercent,)
```

Histogram of candy\$winpercent



Q9. Is the distribution of winpercent values symmetrical?

no its slightly skewed to the right

Q10. Is the center of the distribution above or below 50%?

```
mean(candy$winpercent)
```

[1] 50.31676

slightly above

Q11. On average is chocolate candy higher or lower ranked than fruit candy?

```
mean(candy$winpercent[as.logical(candy$chocolate)])
```

[1] 60.92153

```
mean(candy$winpercent[as.logical(candy$fruity)])
```

[1] 44.11974

```
chocolate>candy
```

Q12. Is this difference statistically significant?

```
t.test(candy$winpercent[as.logical(candy$chocolate)],  
       candy$winpercent[as.logical(candy$fruity)])
```

```
Welch Two Sample t-test
```

```
data: candy$winpercent[as.logical(candy$chocolate)] and candy$winpercent[as.logical(candy$fruity)]  
t = 6.2582, df = 68.882, p-value = 2.871e-08  
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0  
95 percent confidence interval:  
 11.44563 22.15795  
sample estimates:  
mean of x mean of y  
60.92153 44.11974
```

p<0.01, the difference is statistically significant

3. Overall Candy Rankings

Let's use the base R `order()` function together with `head()` to sort the whole dataset by `winpercent`. Or if you have been getting into the tidyverse and the `dplyr` package you can use the `arrange()` function together with `head()` to do the same thing and answer the following questions:

- **Q13.** What are the five least liked candy types in this set?

```
library(dplyr)
```

```
Attaching package: 'dplyr'
```

```
The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
```

```
filter, lag
```

```
The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
```

```
intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
```

```
# Least liked
candy %>% arrange(winpercent) %>% head(5)
```

	chocolate	fruity	caramel	peanut	yalmond	nougat				
Nik L Nip	0	1	0		0	0				
Boston Baked Beans	0	0	0		1	0				
Chiclets	0	1	0		0	0				
Super Bubble	0	1	0		0	0				
Jawbusters	0	1	0		0	0				
	crisped	rice	wafer	hard	bar	pluribus	sugar	percent	price	percent
Nik L Nip	0	0	0		1		0.197		0.976	
Boston Baked Beans	0	0	0		1		0.313		0.511	
Chiclets	0	0	0		1		0.046		0.325	
Super Bubble	0	0	0		0		0.162		0.116	
Jawbusters	0	1	0		1		0.093		0.511	
	winpercent									
Nik L Nip	22.44534									
Boston Baked Beans	23.41782									
Chiclets	24.52499									
Super Bubble	27.30386									
Jawbusters	28.12744									

```
# Most liked
candy %>% arrange(desc(winpercent)) %>% head(5)
```

	chocolate	fruity	caramel	peanut	yalmond	nougat				
Reese's Peanut Butter cup	1	0	0		1	0				
Reese's Miniatures	1	0	0		1	0				
Twix	1	0	1		0	0				
Kit Kat	1	0	0		0	0				
Snickers	1	0	1		1	1				
	crisped	rice	wafer	hard	bar	pluribus	sugar	percent		
Reese's Peanut Butter cup	0	0	0		0		0.720			
Reese's Miniatures	0	0	0		0		0.034			
Twix	1	0	1		0		0.546			
Kit Kat	1	0	1		0		0.313			
Snickers	0	0	1		0		0.546			

	price	percent	winpercent
Reese's Peanut Butter cup	0.651	84.18029	
Reese's Miniatures	0.279	81.86626	
Twix	0.906	81.64291	
Kit Kat	0.511	76.76860	
Snickers	0.651	76.67378	

least liked: nik l nip, boston baked beans, chiclets, super bubble, jawbusters

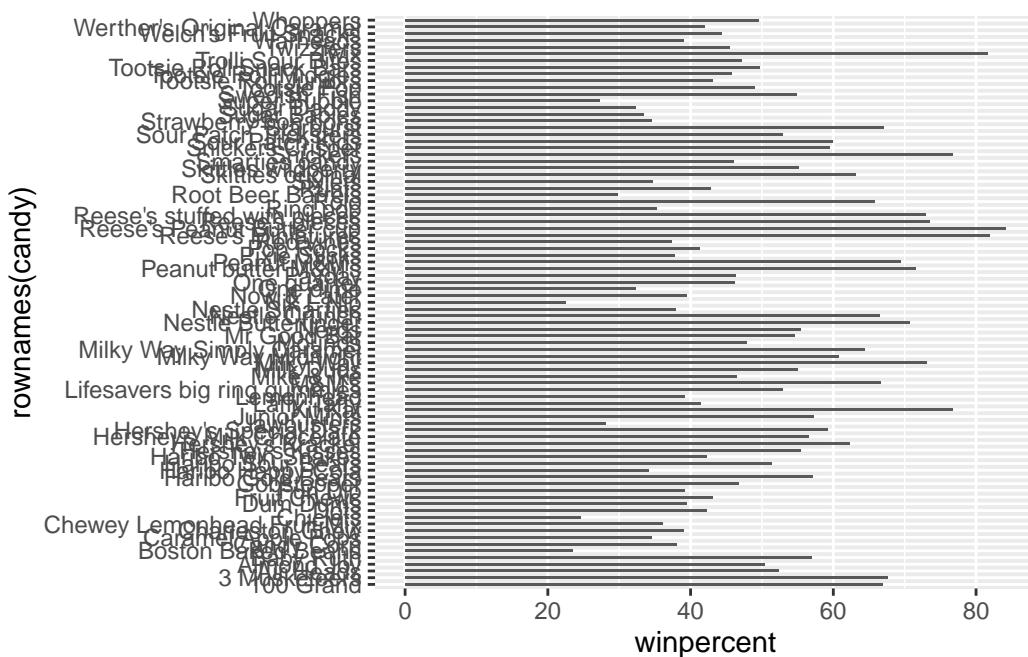
- q14. What are the top 5 all time favorite candy types out of this set?

most liked: reese peanut butter cu and miniatures, twix, kitkat , snickers

Q15. Make a first barplot of candy ranking based on `winpercent` values.

```
library(ggplot2)

ggplot(candy) +
  aes(winpercent, rownames(candy)) +
  geom_col(width = 0.3, position = position_dodge(0.7))
```

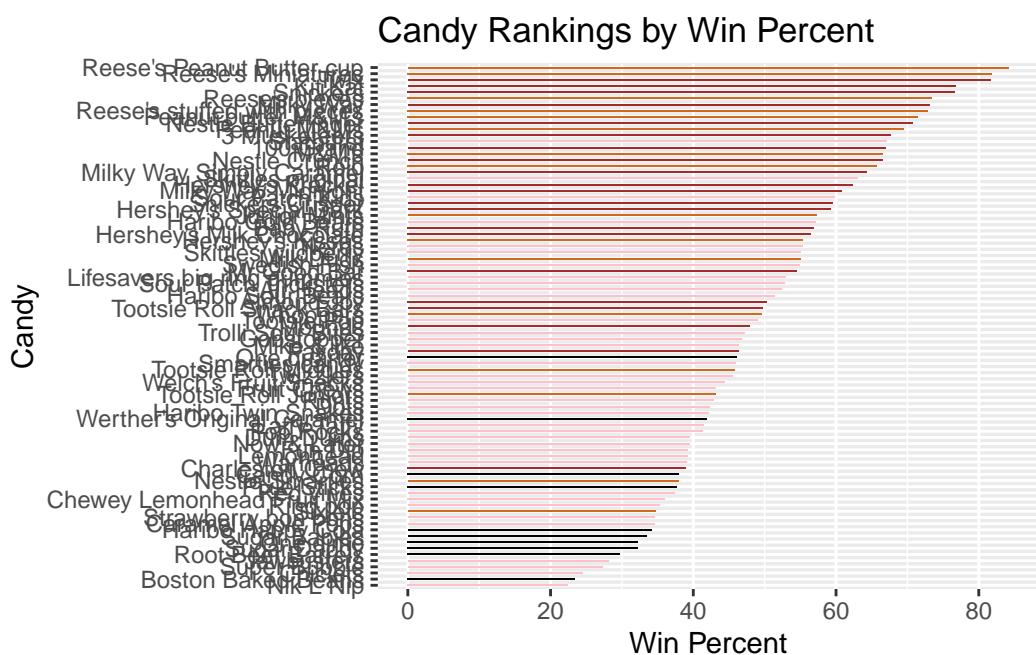


- Q16. This is quite ugly, use the `reorder()` function to get the bars sorted by `winpercent`?

```

library(ggplot2)
my_cols=rep("black", nrow(candy))
my_cols[as.logical(candy$chocolate)] = "chocolate"
my_cols[as.logical(candy$bar)] = "brown"
my_cols[as.logical(candy$fruity)] = "pink"
ggplot(candy) +
  aes(winpercent, reorder(rownames(candy), winpercent)) +
  geom_col(width = 0.3, position = position_dodge(30), fill=my_cols) +
  labs(
    title = "Candy Rankings by Win Percent",
    x = "Win Percent",
    y = "Candy"
)

```



- Q17. What is the worst ranked chocolate candy?

nip l nip

- Q18. What is the best ranked fruity candy?

reeses peanut butter cup

4. Taking a look at pricepercent

```
#library(ggrepel)
# How about a plot of price vs win
#ggplot(candy) +
# aes(winpercent, pricepercent, label=rownames(candy)) +
#geom_point(col=my_cols) +
# geom_text_repel(col=my_cols, size=3.3, max.overlaps = 5)
```

- **Q19.** Which candy type is the highest ranked in terms of `winpercent` for the least money - i.e. offers the most bang for your buck?

```
candy$value <- candy$winpercent / candy$pricepercent
candy[order(-candy$value), ][1:5, c("winpercent", "pricepercent")]
```

	winpercent	pricepercent
Tootsie Roll Midgies	45.73675	0.011
Pixie Sticks	37.72234	0.023
Fruit Chews	43.08892	0.034
Dum Dums	39.46056	0.034
Strawberry bon bons	34.57899	0.058

- Tootsie Roll Midgies
- **Q20.** What are the top 5 most expensive candy types in the dataset and of these which is the least popular?

```
ord <- order(candy$pricepercent, decreasing = TRUE)
head(candy[ord, c("pricepercent", "winpercent")], 5)
```

	pricepercent	winpercent
Nik L Nip	0.976	22.44534
Nestle Smarties	0.976	37.88719
Ring pop	0.965	35.29076
Hershey's Krackel	0.918	62.28448
Hershey's Milk Chocolate	0.918	56.49050

nik l nip

5 Exploring the correlation structure

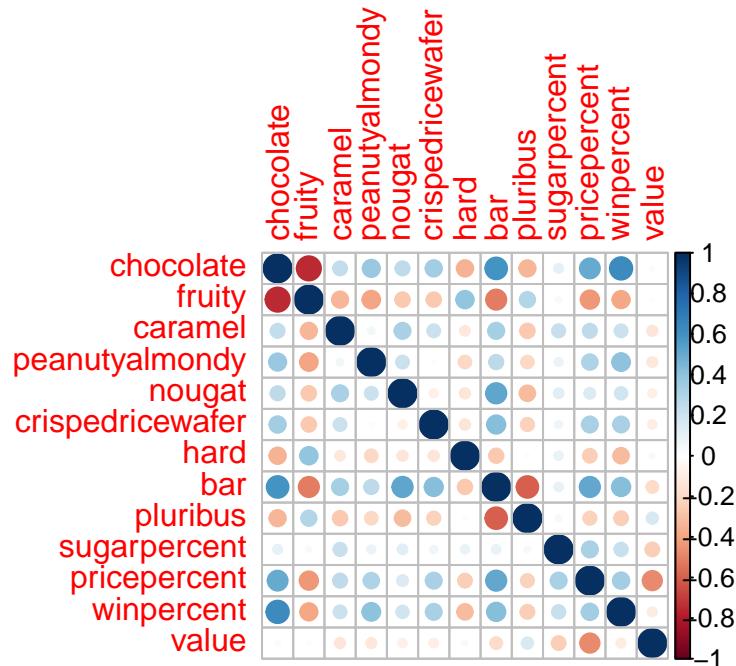
Now that we've explored the dataset a little, we'll see how the variables interact with one another. We'll use correlation and view the results with the **corrplot** package to plot a correlation matrix.

```
library(corrplot)
```

```
Warning: package 'corrplot' was built under R version 4.5.2
```

```
corrplot 0.95 loaded
```

```
cij <- cor(candy)
corrplot(cij)
```



- **Q22.** Examining this plot what two variables are anti-correlated (i.e. have minus values)?
fruity and chocolate
- **Q23.** Similarly, what two variables are most positively correlated?

chocolate and bar

6. Principal Component Analysis

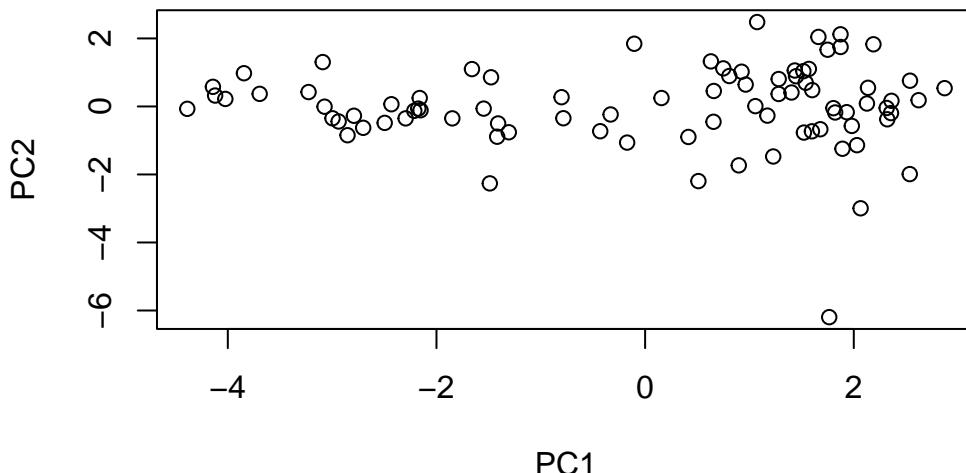
Let's apply PCA using the `prcomp()` function to our candy dataset remembering to set the `scale=TRUE` argument.

```
pca <- prcomp(candy, scale = TRUE)
summary(pca)
```

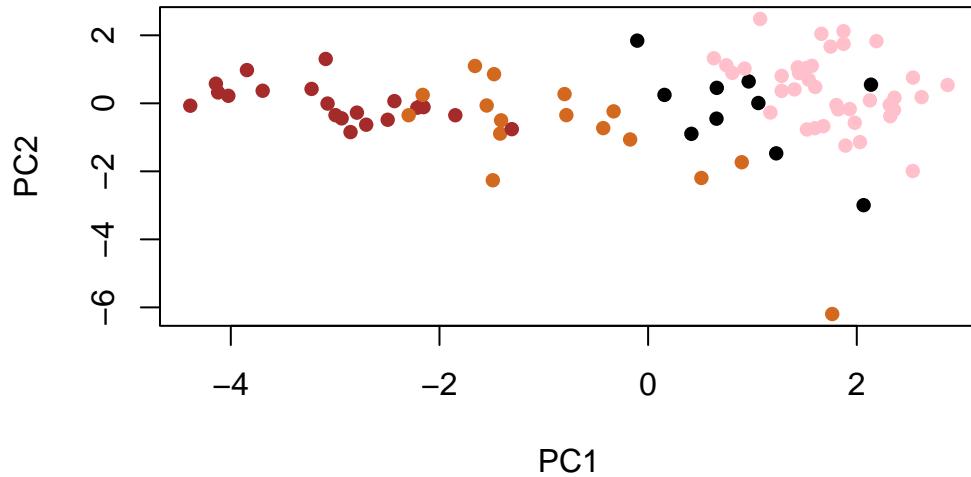
Importance of components:

	PC1	PC2	PC3	PC4	PC5	PC6	PC7
Standard deviation	2.0938	1.2127	1.13054	1.0787	0.98027	0.93656	0.81530
Proportion of Variance	0.3372	0.1131	0.09832	0.0895	0.07392	0.06747	0.05113
Cumulative Proportion	0.3372	0.4503	0.54866	0.6382	0.71208	0.77956	0.83069
	PC8	PC9	PC10	PC11	PC12	PC13	
Standard deviation	0.78462	0.68466	0.66328	0.57829	0.43128	0.39534	
Proportion of Variance	0.04736	0.03606	0.03384	0.02572	0.01431	0.01202	
Cumulative Proportion	0.87804	0.91410	0.94794	0.97367	0.98798	1.00000	

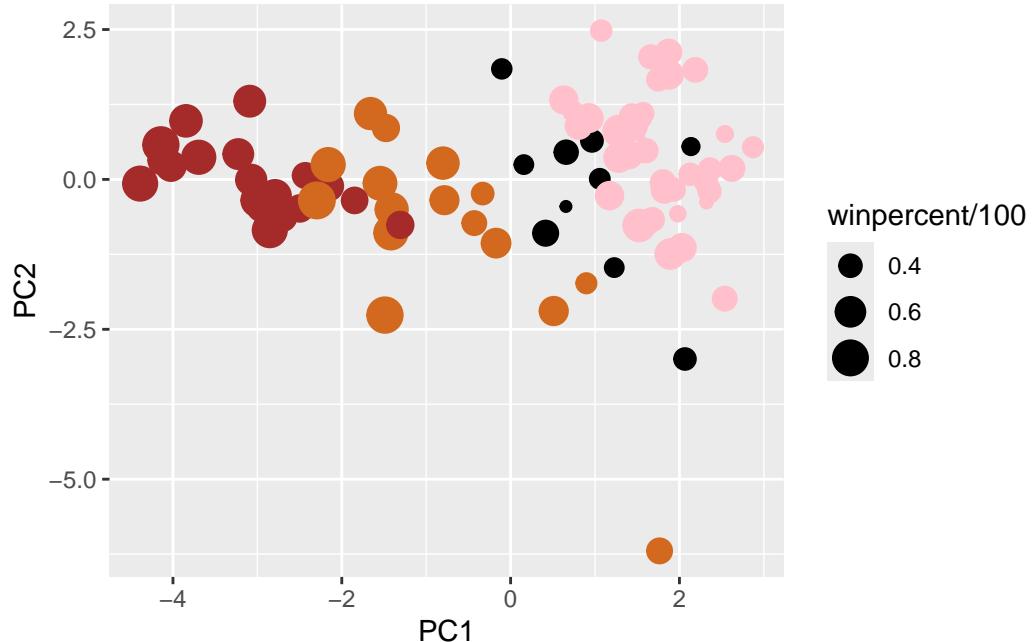
```
plot(pca$x[, 1:2])
```



```
plot(pca$x[,1:2], col=my_cols, pch=16)
```



```
my_data <- cbind(candy, pca$x[,1:3])
p <- ggplot(my_data) +
  aes(x=PC1, y=PC2,
      size=winpercent/100,
      text=rownames(my_data),
      label=rownames(my_data)) +
  geom_point(col=my_cols)
p
```



```
library(ggrepel)
```

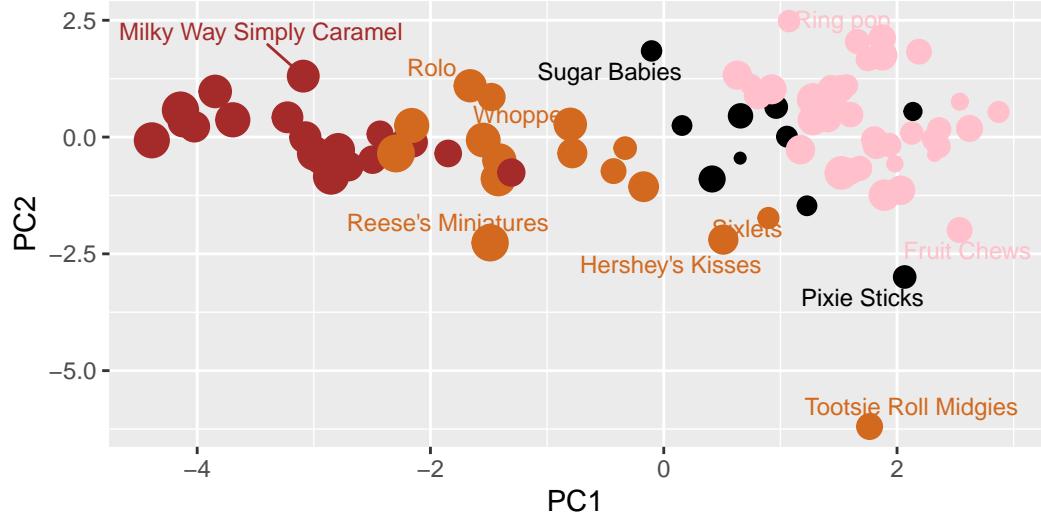
Warning: package 'ggrepel' was built under R version 4.5.2

```
p + geom_text_repel(size=3.3, col=my_cols, max.overlaps = 7) +
  theme(legend.position = "none") +
  labs(title="Halloween Candy PCA Space",
       subtitle="Colored by type: chocolate bar (dark brown), chocolate other (light brown),
       caption="Data from 538")
```

Warning: ggrepel: 74 unlabeled data points (too many overlaps). Consider increasing max.overlaps

Halloween Candy PCA Space

Colored by type: chocolate bar (dark brown), chocolate other (light brown)



Data from 538

```
library(plotly)
```

```
Warning: package 'plotly' was built under R version 4.5.2
```

```
Attaching package: 'plotly'
```

```
The following object is masked from 'package:ggplot2':
```

```
last_plot
```

```
The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
```

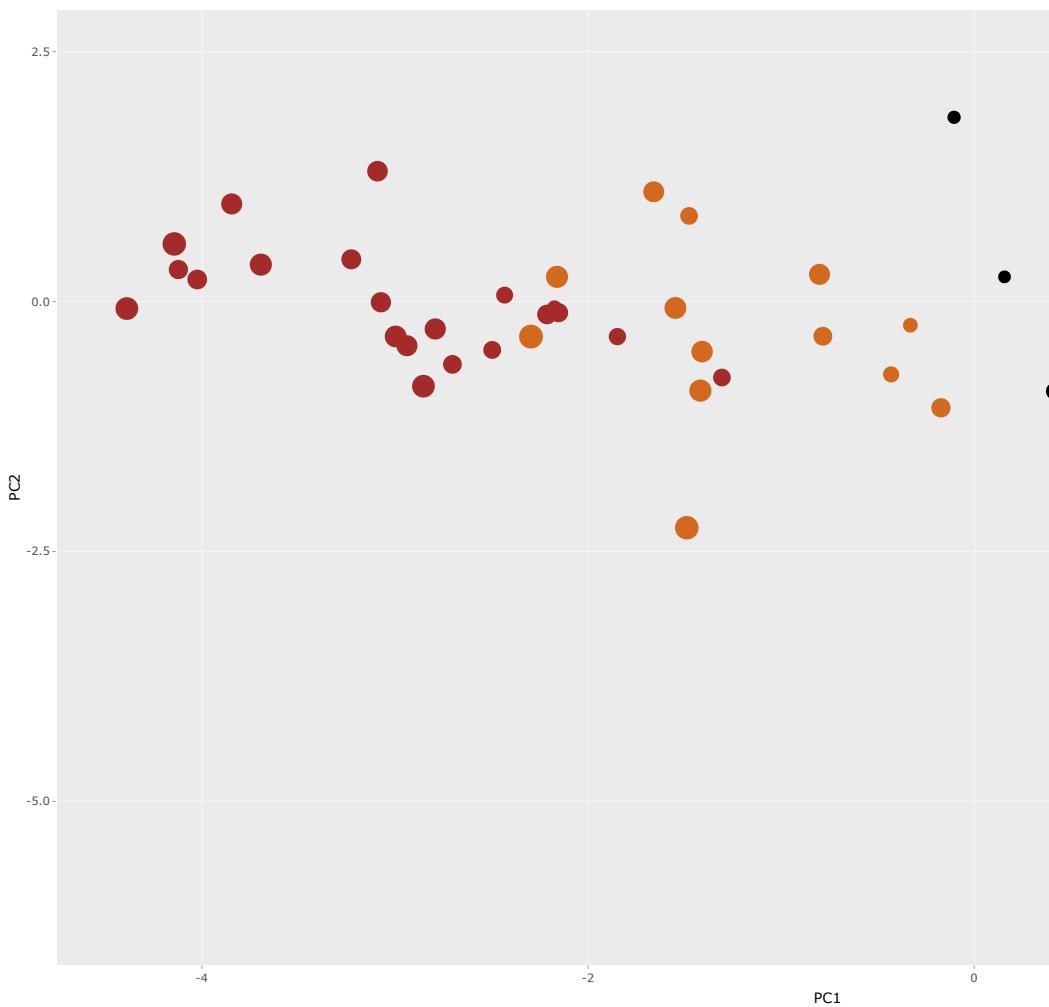
```
filter
```

```
The following object is masked from 'package:graphics':
```

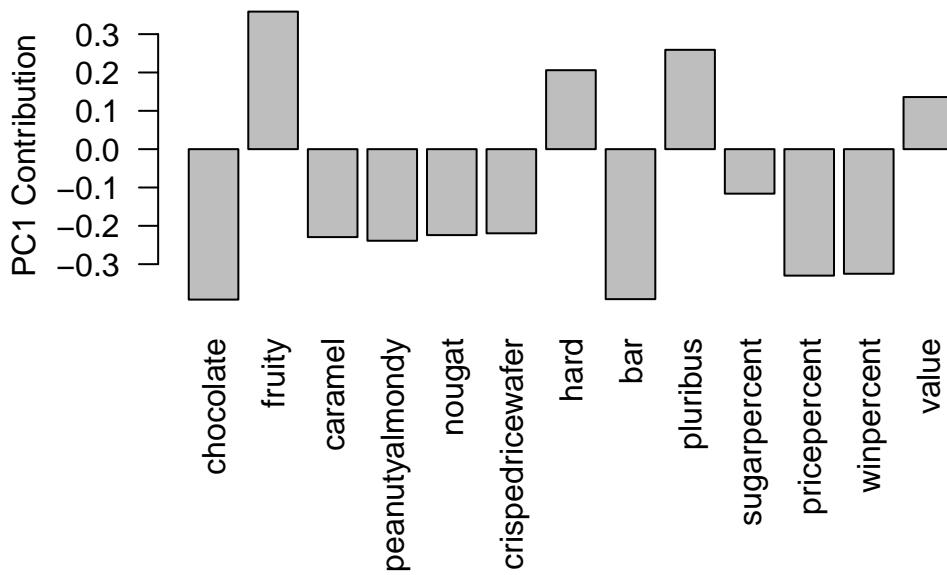
```
layout
```

```
ggplotly(p)
```

```
file:///C:/Users/leeho/AppData/Local/Temp/RtmpoZ3lX4/file64bc755c280e/widget64bcbb462bf.html
```



```
par(mar=c(8,4,2,2))
barplot(pca$rotation[,1], las=2, ylab="PC1 Contribution")
```



- **Q24.** What original variables are picked up strongly by PC1 in the positive direction? Do these make sense to you?

Positive side = fruity, hard candies, often sold in bags (pluribus) e.g., Skittles, Starburst, Jolly Ranchers. PC1 shows a contrast between fruity bagged candies and chocolate bars