Data Visualization

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Part 1: Introduction to GGPLOT2

visualize your data with ggplot

• ggplot package

Grammar of Graphics

ggplot allows you to visualize data by using three components: a data set, a coordinate systems, and geoms.

- 1. Set the plot
- 2. Set the coordinates
- 3. Set the shape

Part 2: Setting the Plot and Coordinates

Parameters

in ggplot you set you parameters or the variables you want to plot with the **aesthetics** argument.

```
# load scotus approval data
scotus <- read_csv("scotus_approval.csv")

# let's just view the pollster YouGov using the filter function
scotus_yg <- scotus |>
   filter(pollster == "YouGov")
scotus_yg
```

```
# set the parameters and coordinates
scotus.line <- ggplot(scotus_yg, aes(date, per_yes))
# calling that object will givve us an empty plot
scotus.line</pre>
```

Part 3: Setting the plot shape

the **geom_** or **stat_** functions allows you to choose the shape. We are going start by plotting a line graph so I will use **geom_line()**.

Plots Cheatsheet

```
We combine elements in ggplot using the (+) operator
```

```
scotus.line +
geom_line()
```

Part 4: Adding additional features

Change color, size, and transparency of elements

```
fill = or color =change colorssize =change sizealpha =change transparency
```

```
# add color
scotus.line +
  geom_line(color = "coral")
# change the size
```

```
geom_line(color = "coral", size = 2)
```

Labeling your plot

the labs element will allow you to add or change labels in the plot

```
scotus.line +
  geom_line(color = "coral", size = 2) +
labs(
    title = "SCOTUS Approval",
    subtitle = "2023",
    caption = "polls from YouGov",
    y = "Approval",
    x = NULL
)
```

Built-in Themes

ggplot has built-in themes with pre-set settings for you

```
scotus.line +
  geom_line(color = "coral", size = 2) +
labs(
    title = "SCOTUS Approval",
    subtitle = "2023",
    caption = "polls from YouGov",
    y = "Approval",
    x = NULL
  ) +
  theme_minimal()
```

Customizing themes

the theme element will allow you to customize the appearance of axes, legends, and labels

```
scotus.line +
geom_line(color = "coral", size = 2) +
```

```
labs(
   title = "SCOTUS Approval",
   subtitle = "2023",
   caption = "polls from YouGov",
   y = "Approval",
   x = NULL
) +
   theme_minimal() +
   theme(plot.title = element_text(size = 20, color = "navy"))
```

Scales

the scales element allows you to fine-tune and adjust the mapping/scale of labels, breaks, and legends

- the **scale_x_date** element allows you to adjust your date elements on the x axis
- Date Formats strptime

Smoothed Lines

You can reduce overplotting using loess or linear regression lines with the geom_smooth or stat_smooth element

```
scotus.line +
  geom_smooth(color = "coral", size = 2) +
  labs(
   title = "SCOTUS Approval",
   subtitle = "2023",
   caption = "polls from YouGov",
```

Export your plot

The ggsave function will export the most recent plot called in a fille type specified by the user

```
ggsave("scotus_approval.png", plot = my_plot, width = 6, height = 4, dpi = 300)
```

Additionally you can use the export options in RStudio's Plot tab in the Misc Pane

Histogram

the histogram plot allows you to see the distribution of a continuous (dbl or num) variable

```
# load demographics data frame

demo <- read_csv("demographics.csv")

# let's look at the distribution of the age variable by creating a histogram

demo.hist <- ggplot(demo, aes(age))

demo.hist +
    geom_histogram()</pre>
```

Binning

the binning argument allows you to group continuous data into discrete intervals or bins

```
# number of bins to use
```

```
demo.hist +
  geom_histogram(bins = 10)

# length of a bins

demo.hist +
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 15)
```

Change color, size, and transparency of elements

fill = or color =	change colors
size =	change size
alpha =	change transparency

```
demo.hist +
  geom_histogram(bins = 25, color = "coral", fill = "skyblue", alpha = .5) +
  theme_light()
```

Order of Elements

The order that the elements appear on the plot is dictated by its position in your code.

• The first elements in the code appear at the bottom of the plot and the last elements appear on the top of you plot

Reference line

the geom_vline/geom_hline element allows you to add a reference line to your plot

```
# add a reference line

demo.hist +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 40, color = "navy", size = 3) +
  geom_histogram(bins = 25, color = "coral", fill = "skyblue", alpha = .5) +
  theme_light()
```

Faceting

the facet_grid or facet_wrap element will allow you to break your plot out by categorical variables

```
demo.hist +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 40, color = "navy", size = 3) +
  geom_histogram(bins = 25, color = "coral", fill = "skyblue", alpha = .5) +
  theme_light() +
  facet_wrap(facets = vars(inccat), nrow = 3)
```

Bar Graph

the geom_bar element allows you create a bar chart uses the number of cases of each group in a categorical variable

```
demo.bar <- ggplot(demo, aes(carcat))

demo.bar +
  geom_bar()</pre>
```

the geom_col element allows you to create a bar chart using a categorical and continuous variable

```
demo.col <- ggplot(demo, aes(carcat, income))

demo.col +
  geom_col()</pre>
```

Reorder Plot

you can order the bar graph using the fct_reorder function from Forcats

```
demo.col <- ggplot(demo, aes(fct_reorder(carcat, income), income))

demo.col +
  geom_col()</pre>
```

Add Additional Variable

you can use the fill argument in aes to map an additional variable onto individual bars

```
demo.col +
  geom_col(aes(fill = ed))
```

Add Color Palletes

The scale_fill_brewer function will allow you to add pre-built palettes to your plot

Color Brewer

```
demo.col +
  geom_col(aes(fill = ed)) +
  scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Pastell")
```

Scales

the scales element allows you to fine-tune and adjust the mapping/scale of labels, breaks, and legends

• the scale_y_continuous or scale_x_continuous along with label_number elements allows you to adjust a numeric axis

```
demo.col +
  geom_col(aes(fill = ed)) +
  scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Pastell") +
  scale_y_continuous(labels = scales::label_number_si())
```

title: "Introduction to R Markdown"

author: "Matt Steele"
date: "`r Sys.Date()`"

output:

html_document: default word_document: default

Additional Resources

- [R Markdown for RStudio](https://rmarkdown.rstudio.com/)
- [R Markdown Cheatsheet](https://doi.org/10.1093/oso/9780197582756.003.0009)
- [R Markdown Reference Guide](https://www.rstudio.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/rmarkdown-reference.pdf? _ga=2.116454790.1075794466.1676401806-680139860.1644522425)
- [R Markdown Definitive Guide](https://bookdown.org/yihui/rmarkdown/)
- [R Markdown Cookbook](https://bookdown.org/yihui/rmarkdown-cookbook/)

About R Markdown

R Markdown allows you to blend formatted prose with code to create reproducible scientific documents that can be outputted in a HTML, PDF, and MS Word document.

Clicking on the **Knit** button in the editor toolbar will generate a document that includes both the content as well as the output of any embedded R code chunks within the document.

- Global Options
- Markdown Quick Reference (Help)

Why Bother?

- 1. Encourages you to document your analysis
- 2. Provides a non-proprietary format that you can easily store, preserve, document with metadata, and retrieve at later dates.
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- No longer do you need to re-code and re-paste

#YAML Header

- YAML AIN'T MARKUP LANGUAGE

This is the metadata area for your document and it also determines how the document is rendered when you knit it. It's default fields are **title**, **author**, **date**, and **output**. But you can add more fields.

[Available fields for YAML](https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/ymlthis/vignettes/yaml-fieldguide.html)

About YAML:

Header 1

- White spaces matter: indents indicate the contents are *child* of the level above
 - Spaces not tabs
- Boolean operators: true/false is lowercase
- true/false \~ yes/no
- Entries can include executable code
 - "'r Sys.Date()'"
- Most common outputs are *html document*, *pdf document*, and *word document*
 - [Full listing of available formats](https://rmarkdown.rstudio.com/formats.html)
- For example, if you are interested in creating an interactive dashboard you would want to use the flexboard package output

```
```{r HTML help, eval=FALSE}
Help with HTML header options
?html document
...
"\"{r PDF help, include=FALSE, eval=FALSE}
#Help with PDF header options
?pdf document
"\"\fr MS DOC help, include=FALSE, eval=FALSE\
#Help with MS Word header options
?word document
Formating Options
The following will provide ways for you to format your text/prose within the document that you are editing
```{r}
# label: formatting
#| eval: false
```

```
## Header 2
### Header 3
#### Header 4
##### Header 5
###### Header 6
# Italics - *I am italic - mamma mia*
# Bold - **I am bold**
# Hyperlink - You can learn more about [RMarkdown here](https://rmarkdown.rstudio.com/)
# Image - ![Spongebob](spongebob.jpg)
# Footnotes - [^1]: This sentence is a footnote
# Block quote
#>"You miss 100% of the shots you do not take. - Wayne Gretsky" - Michael Scott
# Unordered lists:
# - apple
#- pear
# - orange
# - bear
 # - orange bear
 # - apple pear
# Ordered lists:
#1. Apple
# 2. Pear
#3. Orange Bear
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# Document Editors
You can change the way that you edit the document by using the **Source** or **Visual** tab on the editor toolbar.
### Source
```

- Allows you view the document in code view
Visual
 Allows you to view the document with markups Allows basic WSYWIG
Code Chunks
Code chunks allow you to include code from multiple languages into your narration.
You can insert a chunk code by:
- CTRL + ALT + I (PC)
- COMMAND + OPTIONS + I (MAC)
- Use **Add Chunk** command in editor toolbar
Let's add a code chunk that allows us to see the data set mtcars
Running a Code Chunk
You can run a code chunk by:
 CTRL + SHIFT + ENTER (PC) COMMAND + SHIFT + ENTER (MAC) Run button in Code Chunk Run button in editor toolbar
Customize Chunk Code
Chunk Cog Wheel
 Allows you to rename the chunk so it can be easily located Allows you to set message and warning displays Allows you to adjust plot sizes
Let's rename our code chunk above
Manual Entry
<pre>'``{r} # label: example manual entry # include: true</pre>
I would encourage users to manually enter their labels. It is clearer for another user to view and cleaner for you presentation

Include Include allows you to include or not include the chunk code in the final product when knitted. > include = **Let's create a chunk code that sets our current working directory but does not display the code or output in our final product using include. Hint: Set the working directory with the command - setwd()** ```{r} ٠,, #### Eval Eval tells RStudio to either run or not run a code chunk when the document is knitted > eval =**Let's install the CRAN package Tidyverse. But since this is a one time operation, let's preface that this code is not run when the document is knitted.** ```{r} ٠,, #### Message Some commands, like loading a package, will display messages after the code is run. You can choose whether or not you want the message to be displayed in the knitted documents > message = **Let's load the tidyverse package because we will need functions in it to run future code in the report. However, let's set it so the load message does not appear when the document is knitted but the code is displayed so a person who we are collaborating with can see that we are using that package.** ```{r} ... #### Echo Echo allows you to show the output of the code that has been run, but not to show the code chunk when the document is knitted > echo =**Let's get the results of a line of code without displaying the code in the report.** ```{r} 13

Inline Code

You can include coding within the body of your work using inline code using the backtick (\`) button on your keyboard

Let's include inline code with the mean of the mpg variable in the mtcars dataset as well as the number of observations of the variable.

The average miles per gallon from the cars dataset is 'r mean(mtcars\$mpg)' based on 'r nrow(mtcars)' observations.

Plots

In addition to adding code and outputs of the code, you can also set up data visualization to be displayed in your documents.

Here we will add a histogram of the dataset for the variable mpg.

And we will use R Markdown to determine the size of the figure as well as give it a captions.

Additionally, as we have learned already, we will use echo=FALSE to display only the output and not the code.

```
# label:
# echo: true
# message: false
# fig.align: 'center'
# fig.width: 10
# fig.cap: "Figure 6.2: MPG Distribution"

library(tidyverse)
mtcars.hist <- ggplot(mtcars, aes(x=mpg))
mtcars.hist +
geom_histogram(bins = 5, color = "yellow", fill = "skyblue") +
labs(x = "Miles Per Gallon",
y = NULL) +
theme_classic()
```

Citations

R Markdown allows you to insert citations as well as work with citation managers such as [Zotero] (https://databases.lib.wvu.edu/connect/1498075110) and [CiteDrive](https://www.citedrive.com/). Once a citation is added to the document, it will automatically populate in a bibliography at the end of the document.

Insert Citations into your document:

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- Source Mode: [@auerbach2021] or (See [@grolemund])
- Visual Mode: \@ will show you available citations

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 If you want to change the format you will need to download the proper .csl file and add it to your working directory and add a csl field to your YAML header
 - [Zotero Library](https://www.zotero.org/styles)
 - [Citation Visual Editor](https://editor.citationstyles.org/about/)
- **Let's add APA 7th Ed. Citation Format to our Working Directory and YAML header**
- **Let's try and find and enter the citation for the [following article](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34303462/)**
- 10.1016/j.jvs.2021.03.055

References