

STATS 250 Lab 04

Probability and Scatterplots

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Reminders

Your tasks for the week running Friday 9/18 - Friday 9/25 (plus an extra):

Task	Due Date	Submission
Quiz 1	Monday 9/21 11:59PM ET	Canvas
MWrite 1 Initial Draft	Wednesday 9/23 5PM ET	Canvas
Homework 3	Friday 9/25 8AM ET	course.work
Lab 4	Friday 9/25 8AM ET	Canvas

No office hours or Piazza today because of the quiz!

Lab 2 Comments

- Really great work on lab 2!
- R orders levels of categorical variables *alphabetically*
- It's a good idea to have descriptive axis labels for plots. People might not know what "ConditionTreeHealth" means!
- In Dive Deeper 2, the data were collected by the City of Ann Arbor. Only trees on city-owned land are included!
- In Dive Deeper 4, it turns out that the map only contains information about trees on city-owned land. Since the City of Ann Arbor does not own the Arboretum, the data could not be used to answer that research question.

Homework 2 Comments

- A causal *statement* is any sentence that is about causation.
 - "There is not evidence to say that eating chia seeds causes weight loss" **is** a causal statement
 - "Chia seeds do not cause weight loss" **is** a causal statement
 - Causal *statements* do not require causal *relationships*
- Generalizability to a population is a result of sampling: how are data collected?
 - Sample size isn't really a big deal
 - Good (random) sampling = generalizable; bad sampling = not generalizable

Homework 2 Comments

- Review your homework! Even questions you got full credit on.
- You should have comments on every question you lost points on.
- Remember we don't grade every question for correctness.

Weekly Advice

We're focusing a lot on random sampling this week.

Your mileage may vary!

Your results *will* be different from mine and from your collaborators'.

Integer Sequences in R

- A **vector** is a way to hold a collection of things in R. Think of it as a pill organizer.
- This week, we're going to create a vector that holds a sequence of consecutive integers.

```
1:6
```

```
[1] 1 2 3 4 5 6
```

- Read the colon **:** as "through", so **1:6** is "1 through 6"

Sampling in R

- Think of `1:6` as representing a six-sided die.
- We can "roll" the die by taking a `sample()` from the vector `1:6`

```
sample(1:6, size = 1)
```

```
[1] 5
```

- Run the `sampleDieRoll` chunk (line ~63) and type what you got in the chat!

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- Which of these strategies represents die-rolling in real life?

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Roll dice

```
[1] 6  
[1] 3 5  
[1] 2 1 4  
[1] 5 6 4 5  
[1] 2 5 2 2 5
```

Average of rolls

```
[1] 6  
[1] 4  
[1] 2.333333  
[1] 5  
[1] 3.2
```

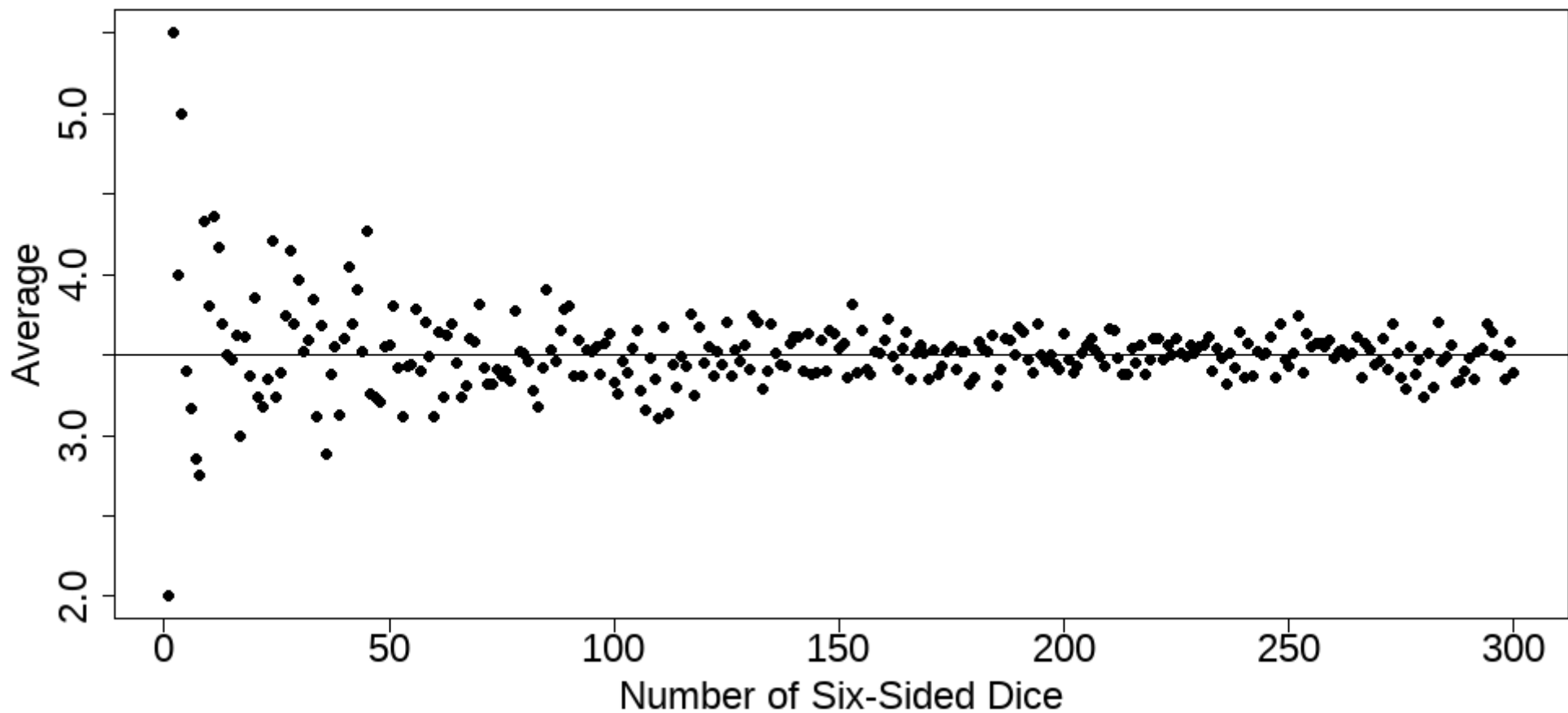
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mean seems like it's trying to do something, but it's too variable to really see what's happening.

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$$1 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 3 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 4 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 5 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 6 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = 3.5$$

Penguins!

```
penguins <- read.csv(url("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/STATS250SBI/palmerpenguins/master/inst/e
```

```
str(penguins)
'data.frame':   333 obs. of  8 variables:
 $ species      : chr  "Adelie" "Adelie" "Adelie"
 $ island       : chr  "Torgersen" "Torgersen" "Torgersen"
 $ bill_length_mm : num  39.1 39.5 40.3 36.7 39.1 40.6 41.1 39.5 41.2 38.9
 $ bill_depth_mm : num  18.7 17.4 18 19.3 20.6 19.9 19.7 19.6 20.4 18.7
 $ flipper_length_mm: int  181 186 195 193 190 195 193 194 196 188
 $ body_mass_g   : int  3750 3800 3250 3450 3650 3800 3400 3550 3650 3440
 $ sex          : chr  "male" "female" "female"
 $ year         : int  2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 2007
```



Scatterplots

A **scatterplot** is a way to display the relationship between quantitative explanatory (x) and response (y) variables.

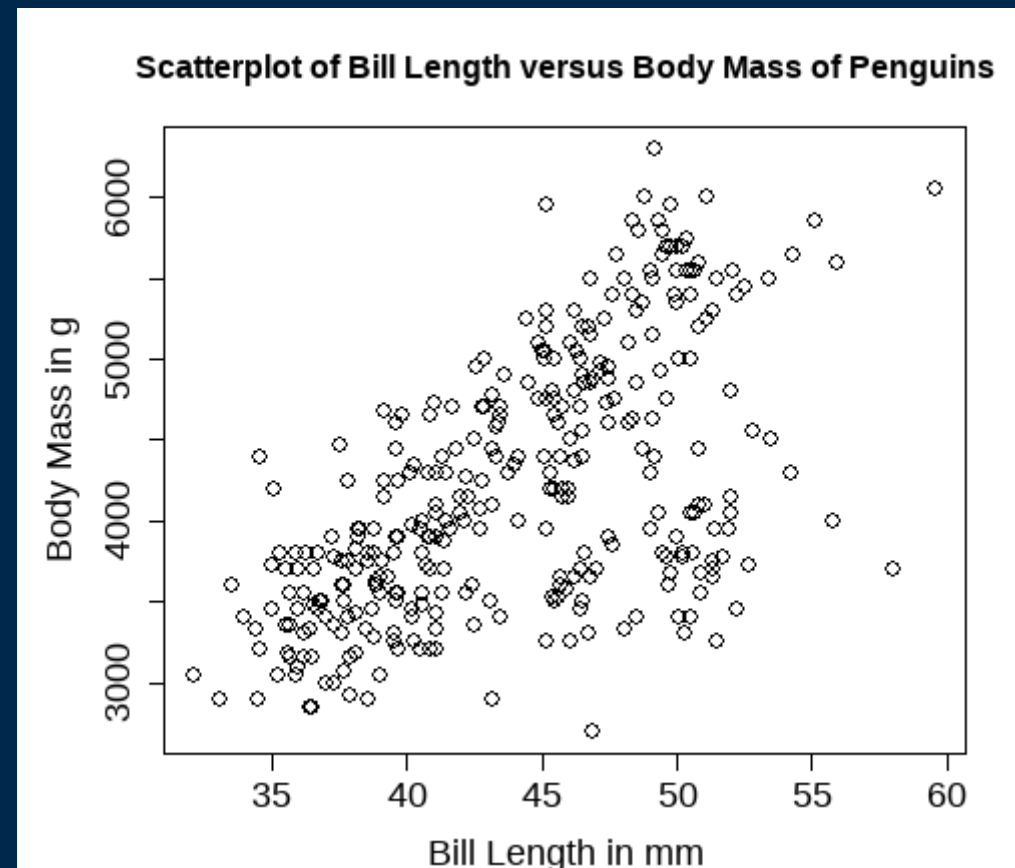
The data are paired (x, y) and then each pair is plotted on a grid.

We can use scatterplots to look for **associations** between these quantitative variables.

Scatterplots (line ~142)

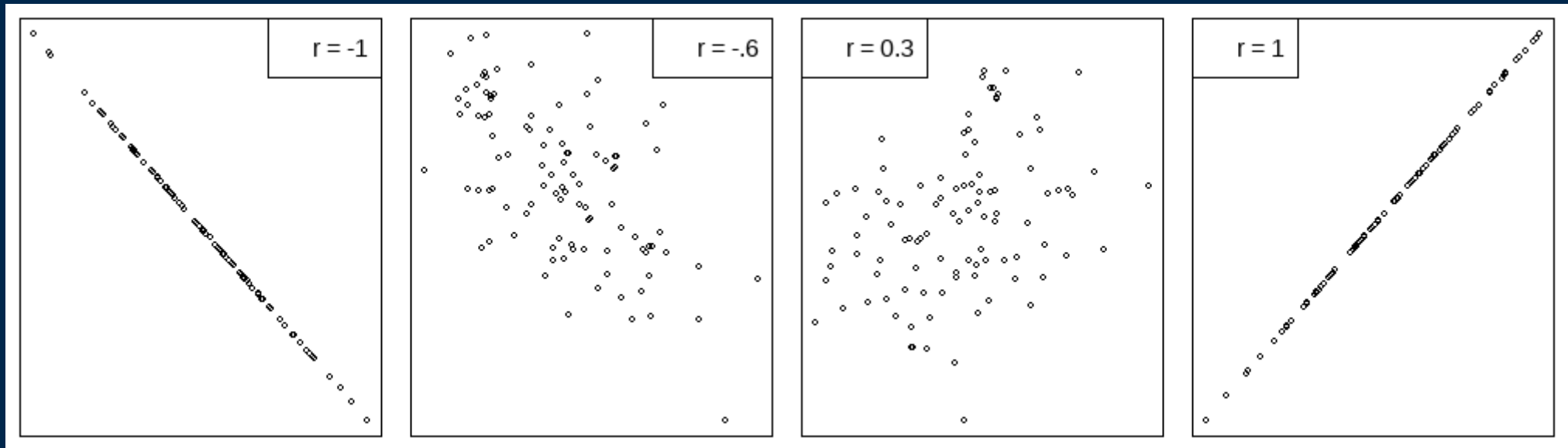
```
plot(penguins$bill_length_mm,  
     penguins$body_mass_g,  
     main = "Scatterplot of Bill Length versus  
     xlab = "Bill Length in mm",  
     ylab = "Body Mass in g")
```

- positive association
- reasonably linear
- moderately strong
- no apparent unusual points



Correlation

- The **correlation** between two quantitative variables quantifies the strength of the *linear* association.
- Denote correlation by r
- As $|r|$ gets close to 1, the linear relationship becomes stronger



Correlation (line ~155)

We can find the correlation between two quantitative variables in R using the `cor()` function.

```
cor(penguins$bill_length_mm, penguins$body_mass_g)
```

```
[1] 0.5894511
```

Lab Project

You will be **randomly** moved to a breakout room for the rest of the lab (minus ~10 minutes)

Your tasks

1. Introduce yourself to your collaborators!
2. **Work together** to complete the "Try It!" and "Dive Deeper" portions of the lab assignment by copy/pasting and modifying appropriate code from earlier in the document.

How to get help

- I'll be floating around between breakout rooms to check on everyone
- Use the "Ask for help" button to flag me down
- Let me know when you're done

"Exit Ticket"

Please take 1-2 minutes to complete the survey at

bit.ly/njs_ticket4