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Submission Phase

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☒ In accordance with the Honor Code, I certify that my answers here are my own work, and that I have appropriately acknowledged all external sources (if any) that were used in this work.

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Introduction

Fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) is an ambient air pollutant for which there is strong evidence that it is harmful to human health. In the United States, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is tasked with setting national ambient air quality standards for fine PM and for tracking the emissions of this pollutant into the atmosphere. Approximately every 3 years, the EPA releases its database on emissions of PM_{2.5}. This database is known as the National Emissions Inventory (NEI). You can read more information about the NEI at the [EPA National Emissions Inventory web site \(http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/eiinformation.html\)](http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/eiinformation.html).

For each year and for each type of PM source, the NEI records how many tons of PM_{2.5} were emitted from that source over the course of the entire year. The data that you will use for this assignment are for 1999, 2002, 2005, and 2008.

Data

The data for this assignment are available from the course web site as a single zip file:

- [Data for Peer Assessment \(https://d396qusza40orc.cloudfront.net/exdata%2Fdata%2FNEI_data.zip\)](https://d396qusza40orc.cloudfront.net/exdata%2Fdata%2FNEI_data.zip) [29Mb]

The zip file contains two files:

PM2.5 Emissions Data (`summarySCC_PM25.rds`): This file contains a data frame with all of the PM2.5 emissions data for 1999, 2002, 2005, and 2008. For each year, the table contains number of **tons** of PM2.5 emitted from a specific type of source for the entire year. Here are the first few rows.

```
##      fips      SCC Pollutant Emissions  type year
## 4  09001 10100401  PM25-PRI    15.714 POINT 1999
## 8  09001 10100404  PM25-PRI   234.178 POINT 1999
## 12 09001 10100501  PM25-PRI     0.128 POINT 1999
## 16 09001 10200401  PM25-PRI     2.036 POINT 1999
## 20 09001 10200504  PM25-PRI     0.388 POINT 1999
## 24 09001 10200602  PM25-PRI     1.490 POINT 1999
```

- `fips` : A five-digit number (represented as a string) indicating the U.S. county
- `SCC` : The name of the source as indicated by a digit string (see source code classification table)
- `Pollutant` : A string indicating the pollutant
- `Emissions` : Amount of PM2.5 emitted, in tons
- `type` : The type of source (point, non-point, on-road, or non-road)
- `year` : The year of emissions recorded

Source Classification Code Table (`Source_Classification_Code.rds`): This table provides a mapping from the SCC digit strings in the Emissions table to the actual name of the PM2.5 source. The sources are categorized in a few different ways from more general to more specific and you may choose to explore whatever categories you think are most useful. For example, source “10100101” is known as “Ext Comb /Electric Gen /Anthracite Coal /Pulverized Coal”.

You can read each of the two files using the `readRDS()` function in R. For example, reading in each file can be done with the following code:

```
## This first line will likely take a few seconds. Be patient!
NEI <- readRDS("summarySCC_PM25.rds")
SCC <- readRDS("Source_Classification_Code.rds")
```

as long as each of those files is in your current working directory (check by calling `dir()` and see if those files are in the listing).

Assignment

The overall goal of this assignment is to explore the National Emissions Inventory database and see what it say about fine particulate matter pollution in the United states over the 10-year period 1999–2008. You may use any R package you want to support your analysis.

Questions

You must address the following questions and tasks in your exploratory analysis. For each question/task you will need to make a single plot. Unless specified, you can use any plotting system in R to make your plot.

1. Have total emissions from PM_{2.5} decreased in the United States from 1999 to 2008? Using the **base** plotting system, make a plot showing the *total* PM_{2.5} emission from all sources for each of the years 1999, 2002, 2005, and 2008.
2. Have total emissions from PM_{2.5} decreased in the **Baltimore City**, Maryland (`fips == "24510"`) from 1999 to 2008? Use the **base** plotting system to make a plot answering this question.
3. Of the four types of sources indicated by the `type` (point, nonpoint, onroad, nonroad) variable, which of these four sources have seen decreases in emissions from 1999–2008 for **Baltimore City**? Which have seen increases in emissions from 1999–2008? Use the **ggplot2** plotting system to make a plot answer this question.
4. Across the United States, how have emissions from coal combustion-related sources changed from 1999–2008?
5. How have emissions from motor vehicle sources changed from 1999–2008 in **Baltimore City**?
6. Compare emissions from motor vehicle sources in Baltimore City with emissions from motor vehicle sources in **Los Angeles County**, California (`fips == "06037"`). Which city has seen greater changes over time in motor vehicle emissions?

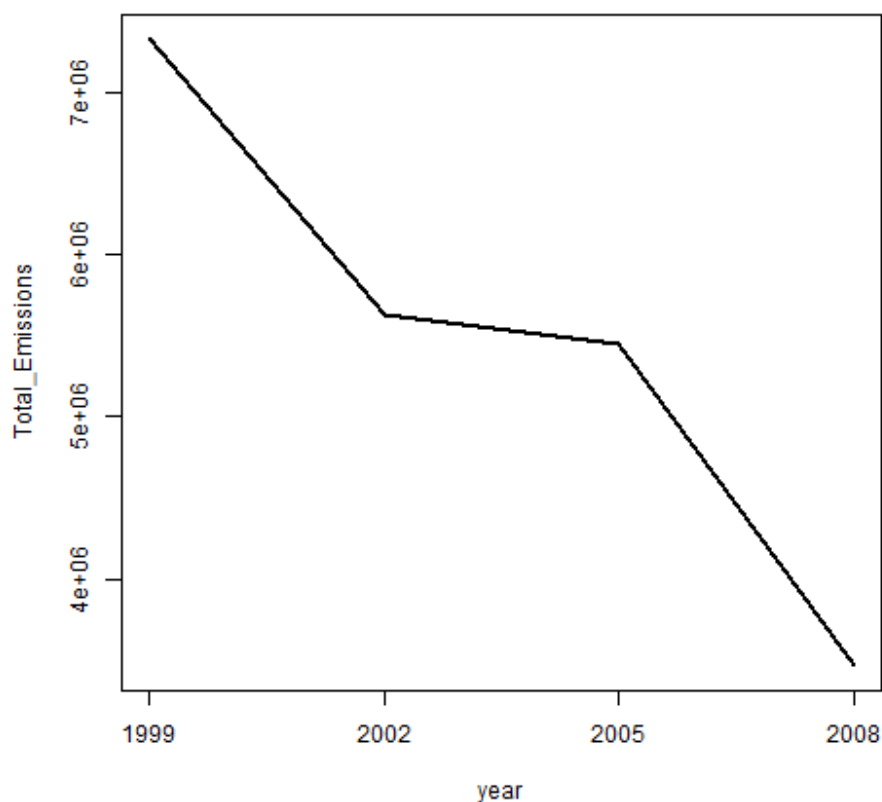
Making and Submitting Plots

For each plot you should

- Construct the plot and save it to a **PNG file**.
- Create a separate R code file (`plot1.R` , `plot2.R` , etc.) that constructs the corresponding plot, i.e. code in `plot1.R` constructs the `plot1.png` plot. Your code file should include code for reading the data so that the plot can be fully reproduced. You must also include the code that creates the PNG file. Only include the code for a single plot (i.e. `plot1.R` should only include code for producing `plot1.png`)
- Upload the PNG file on the Assignment submission page
- Copy and paste the R code from the corresponding R file into the text box at the appropriate point in the peer assessment.

Have total emissions from PM_{2.5} decreased in the United States from 1999 to 2008? Using the **base** plotting system, make a plot showing the *total* PM_{2.5} emission from all sources for each of the years 1999, 2002, 2005, and 2008.

Upload a PNG file containing your plot addressing this question.

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plot1 <- function() {  
  library(dplyr)  
  library(data.table)  
  
  # Read the files into local variables  
  NEI <- readRDS("summarySCC_PM25.rds")  
  SCC <- readRDS("Source_Classification_Code.rds")  
  
  NEI <- data.table(NEI)  
  #make a new data frame with just year and Emissions from all sources  
  #for the years 1999, 2002, 2005 and 2008  
  mydf <- subset(NEI, select=c(Emissions, year))  
  
  #total PM2.5 emissions from all sources  
  sumdt <- summarise(group_by(mydf, year), sum(Emissions))  
  
  setnames(sumdt, old="sum(Emissions)", new="Total_Emissions")  
  png(filename="plot1.png", width=480, height=480)  
  #par(mar=c(4, 4, 2, 2))  
  with(sumdt, plot(year, Total_Emissions, type="l", lwd=2, axes=FALSE))  
  axis(side=1, at=c(1999, 2002, 2005, 2008))  
  axis(side=2)  
  box()  
  dev.off()  
}
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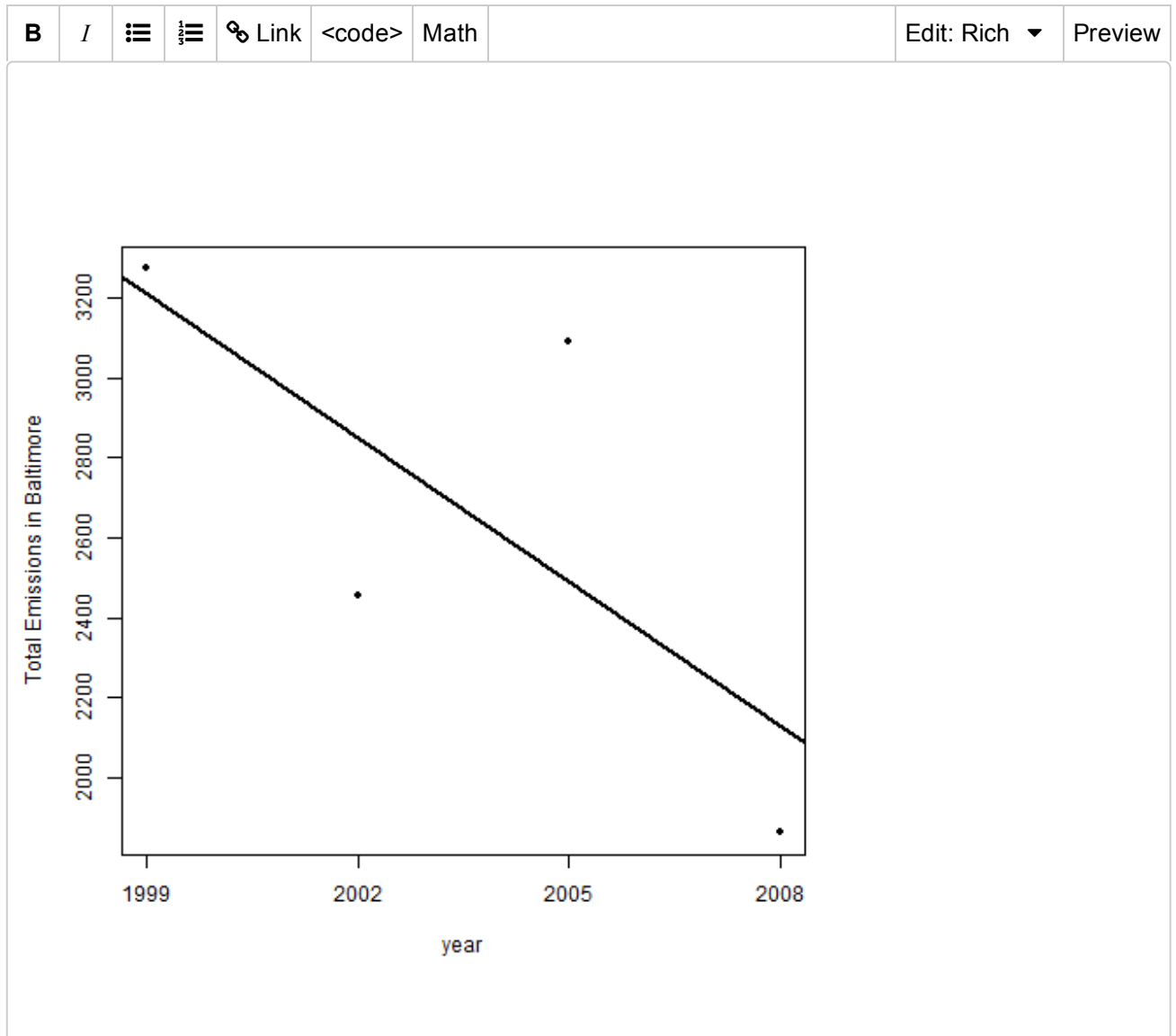
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Have total emissions from PM_{2.5} decreased in the **Baltimore City**, Maryland (`fips == 24510`) from 1999 to 2008? Use the **base** plotting system to make a plot answering this question.

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plot2 <- function() {
  library(dplyr)
  library(data.table)

  # Read the files into local variables
  NEI <- readRDS("summarySCC_PM25.rds")
  SCC <- readRDS("Source_Classification_Code.rds")

  NEI <- data.table(NEI)

  #get data for Balitmore i.e. fips = 24510
  mydf <- subset(NEI, fips=="24510", select=c(Emissions, year))

  sumdt <- summarise(group_by(mydf, year), sum(Emissions))

  setnames(sumdt, old="sum(Emissions)", new="Total_Emissions_in_Baltimore")
  png(filename="plot2.png", width=480, height=480)
  #plot with points and draw a smoother
  with(sumdt, plot(year, Total_Emissions_in_Baltimore, pch=20,
    axes=FALSE, ylab="Total Emissions in Baltimore"))

  axis(side=1, at=c(1999, 2002, 2005, 2008))
  axis(side=2)
  box()
  model <- lm(Total_Emissions_in_Baltimore ~ year, sumdt)
  abline(model, lwd=2)
  dev.off()
}

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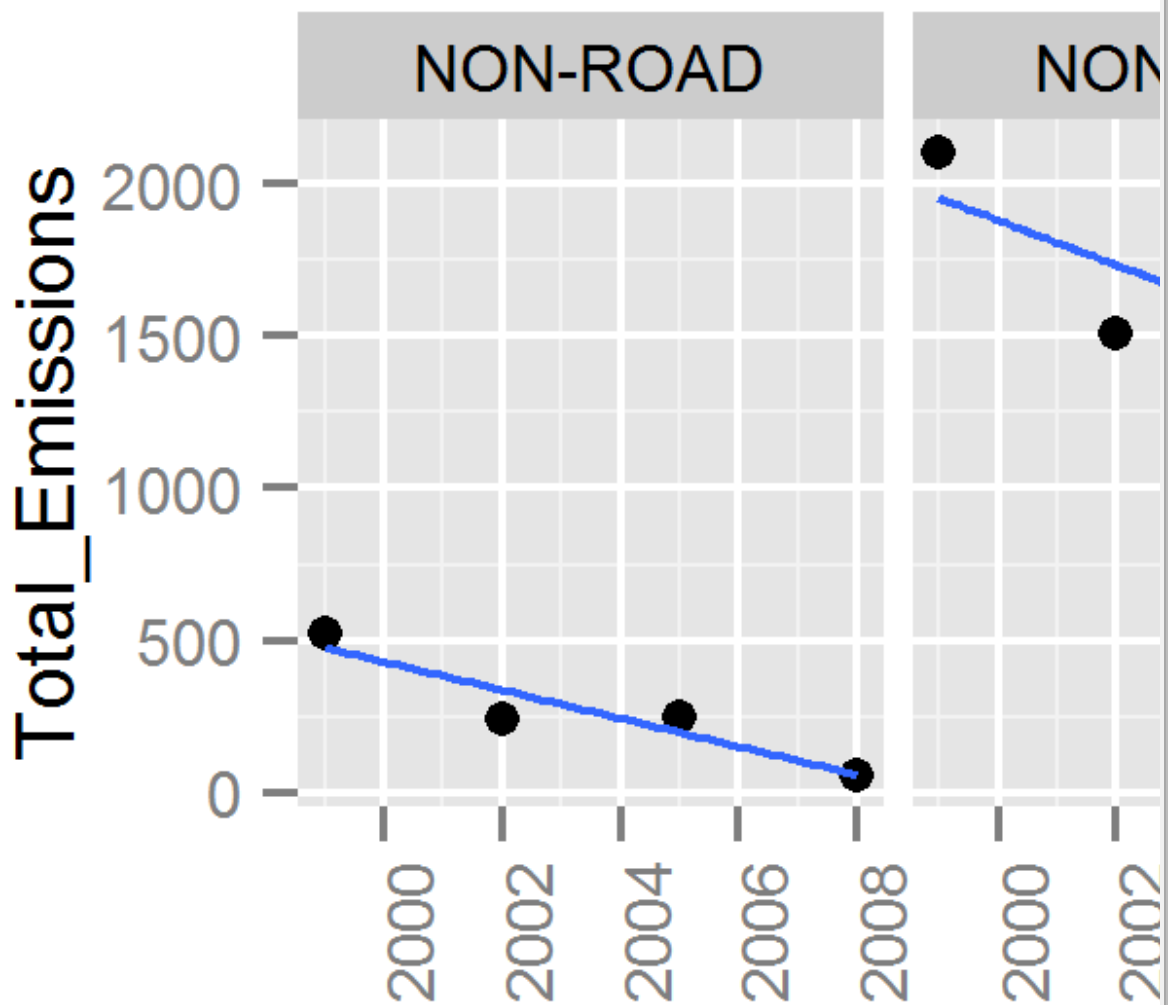
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Of the four types of sources indicated by the `type` (point, nonpoint, onroad, nonroad) variable, which of these four sources have seen decreases in emissions from 1999–2008 for **Baltimore City**? Which have seen increases in emissions from 1999–2008? Use the **ggplot2** plotting system to make a plot answer this question.

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plot3 <- function() {
  library(dplyr)
  library(data.table)
  library(ggplot2)

  # Read the files into local variables
  NEI <- readRDS("summarySCC_PM25.rds")
  SCC <- readRDS("Source_Classification_Code.rds")

  NEI <- data.table(NEI)

  #select Emissions, year and type for Baltimore
  mydf <- subset(NEI, fips=="24510", select=c(Emissions, year, type))

  #sum by year and type, so that we get the total emissions across
  #various sources (or types)
  sumdt <- summarise(group_by(mydf, year, type), sum(Emissions))
  setnames(sumdt, old="sum(Emissions)", new="Total_Emissions")

  #p <- qplot(year, Total_Emissions, data=sumdt, facets=~type,
  #           geom=c("point", "smooth"), method=lm, se=FALSE)

  #draw the plot, add the facets and smoother.
  p <- ggplot(sumdt, aes(x=year, y=Total_Emissions))
  p <- p + geom_point() + facet_grid(~type) +
    geom_smooth(method="lm", se=FALSE)
  # change the orientation of xlab to make it more readable
  p <- p + theme(text = element_text(size=10),
    axis.text.x=element_text(angle=90, vjust=1))

  ggsave(filename="plot3.png", plot=p, width=5, height=2.2)
}
```

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Across the United States, how have emissions from coal combustion-related sources changed from 1999–2008?

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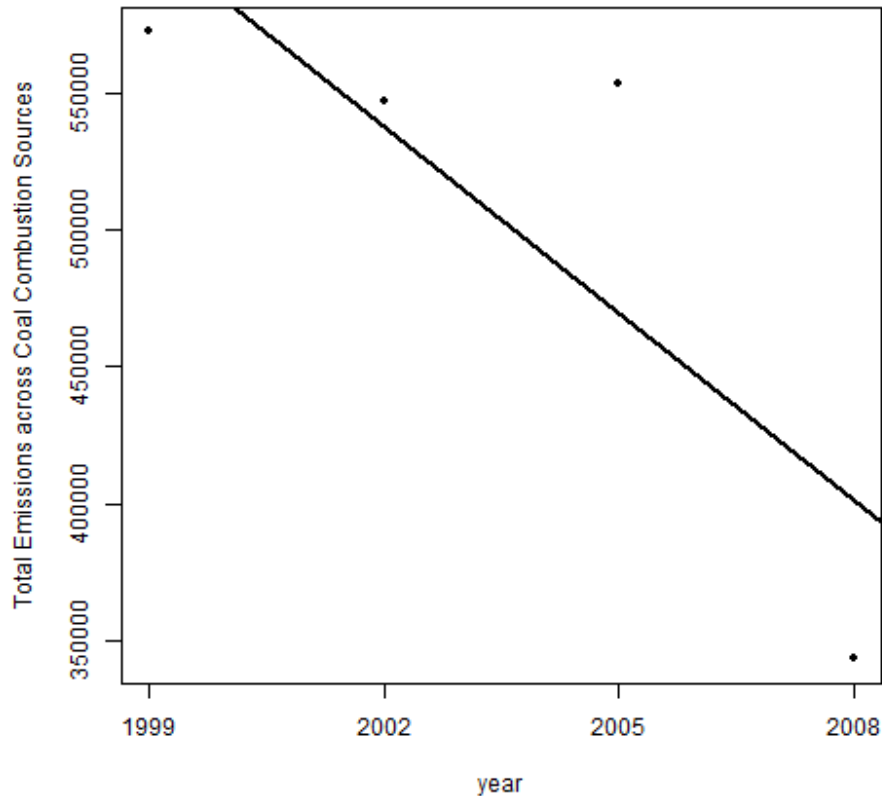
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```
plot4 <- function() {  
  library(dplyr)  
  library(data.table)  
  library(ggplot2)  
  
  # Read the files into local variables  
  NEI <- readRDS("summarySCC_PM25.rds")  
  SCC <- readRDS("Source_Classification_Code.rds")  
  
  NEI <- data.table(NEI)  
  
  #Problem : Across the United States, how have emissions from  
  #coal combustion-related sources changed from 1999-2008?  
  #Here we need to define what "coal combustion-related sources" are  
  #When I look at the SCC$EI.Sector column, I see that the most relevant  
  #ones are the records "Fuel Comb - Electric Generation - Coal"  
  #"Fuel Comb - Industrial Boilers, ICEs - Coal" and  
  #"Fuel Comb - Comm/Institutional - Coal"  
  
  #So first I will filter out these records from SCC, there are 99 such  
  #records  
  
  ccSCC <- SCC[SCC$EI.Sector == "Fuel Comb - Electric Generation - Coal"  
    | SCC$EI.Sector == "Fuel Comb - Industrial Boilers, ICEs -  
Coal"  
    | SCC$EI.Sector == "Fuel Comb - Comm/Institutional - Coal",  
  ]  
  
  #now filter NEI based on ccSCC$SCC to get data only for coal combustion  
  #related sources  
  ccNEI <- NEI[NEI$SCC %in% ccSCC$SCC, ]  
  
  #Now get the total of emissions across the year  
  sumdt <- summarise(group_by(ccNEI, year), sum(Emissions))  
  setnames(sumdt, old="sum(Emissions)", new="Total_Emissions")  
  
  #draw a base plot showing the data  
  png(filename="plot4.png", width=480, height=480)  
  #plot with points and draw a smoother  
  with(sumdt, plot(year, Total_Emissions, pch=20,  
    axes=FALSE, ylab="Total Emissions across Coal Combusti  
on Sources"))  
  
  axis(side=1, at=c(1999, 2002, 2005, 2008))  
  axis(side=2)
```

```
box()
model <- lm(Total_Emissions ~ year, sumdt)
abline(model, lwd=2)
dev.off()
}
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How have emissions from motor vehicle sources changed from 1999–2008 in **Baltimore City**?

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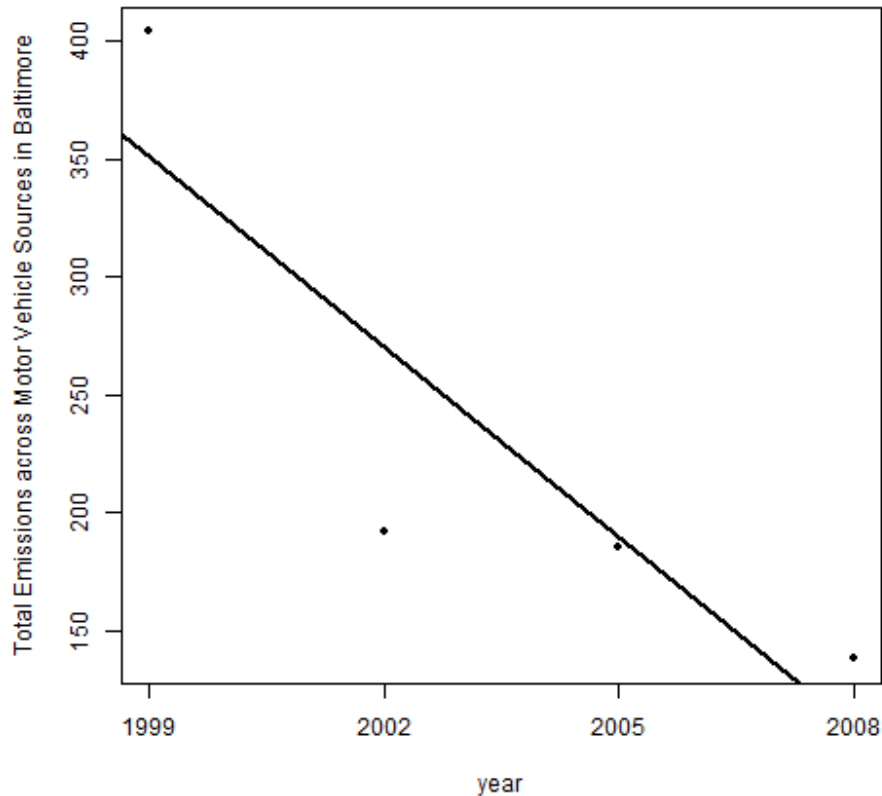
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plot5 <- function() {
  library(dplyr)
  library(data.table)
  library(ggplot2)

  # Read the files into local variables
  NEI <- readRDS("summarySCC_PM25.rds")
  SCC <- readRDS("Source_Classification_Code.rds")

  NEI <- data.table(NEI)

  #Problem: How have emissions from motor vehicle sources changed from
  #1999–2008 in Baltimore City?
  #We first get the SCC codes relevant to Motor Vehicle sources
  #To do this, we see that SCC.Level.One should be "Mobile Sources"
  #and SCC.Level.Two should be any highway or off-highway vehicle and we
  #should exclude aircraft etc. Lets do this now
  msSCC <- SCC[SCC$SCC.Level.One == "Mobile Sources", ]

  mvSCC <- msSCC[msSCC$SCC.Level.Two == "Highway Vehicles - Gasoline"
    |msSCC$SCC.Level.Two == "Highway Vehicles - Diesel"
    |msSCC$SCC.Level.Two == "Off-highway Vehicle Gasoline, 2
-Stroke"
    |msSCC$SCC.Level.Two == "Off-highway Vehicle Gasoline, 4
-Stroke"
    |msSCC$SCC.Level.Two == "Off-highway Vehicle Diesel", ]

  #Now, we will filter NEI based the SCC in the motor vehicle sources
  mvNEI <- NEI[NEI$SCC %in% mvSCC$SCC, ]

  #Next we filter mvNEI to have data only for Baltimore
  mydf <- subset(mvNEI, fips=="24510", select=c(Emissions, year))

  #Now get the total of emissions across the years
  sumdt <- summarise(group_by(mydf, year), sum(Emissions))
  setnames(sumdt, old="sum(Emissions)", new="Total_Emissions")

  #draw a base plot showing the data
  png(filename="plot5.png", width=480, height=480)
  #plot with points and draw a smoother
  with(sumdt, plot(year, Total_Emissions, pch=20,
    axes=FALSE,
    ylab="Total Emissions across Motor Vehicle Sources in
Baltimore"))

  axis(side=1, at=c(1999, 2002, 2005, 2008))
  axis(side=2)

```

```
box()
model <- lm(Total_Emissions ~ year, sumdt)
abline(model, lwd=2)
dev.off()
}
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Compare emissions from motor vehicle sources in Baltimore City with emissions from motor vehicle sources in **Los Angeles County**, California (fips == 06037). Which city has seen greater changes over time in motor vehicle emissions?

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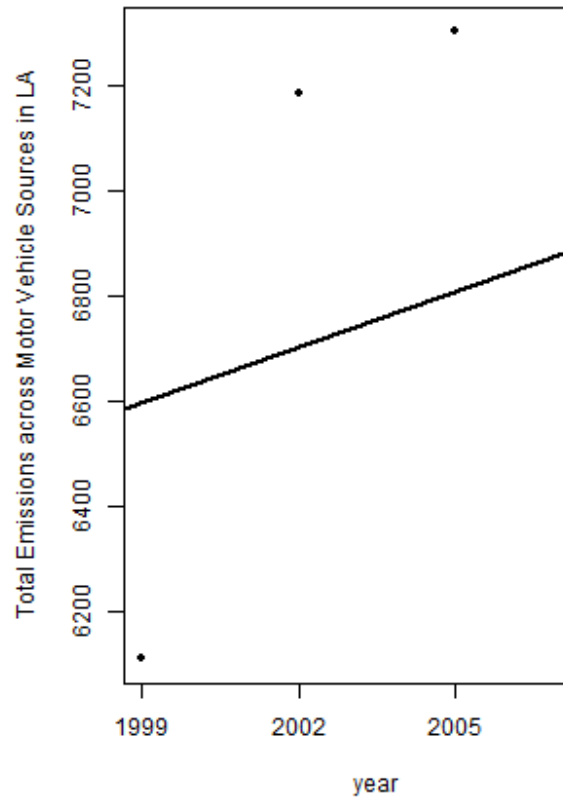
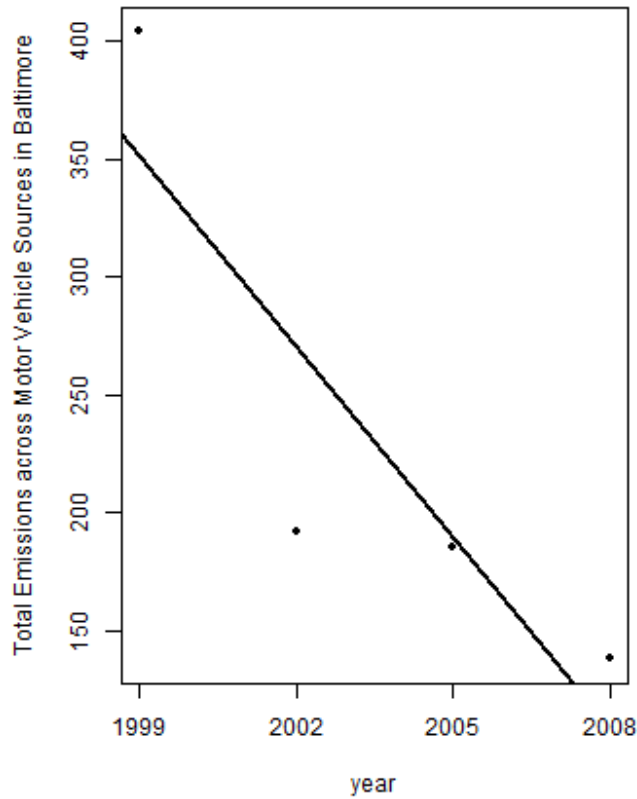
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plot6 <- function() {
  library(dplyr)
  library(data.table)

  # Read the files into local variables
  NEI <- readRDS("summarySCC_PM25.rds")
  SCC <- readRDS("Source_Classification_Code.rds")

  NEI <- data.table(NEI)

  #Problem: Compare emissions from motor vehicle sources in Baltimore City
  #with emissions from motor vehicle sources in Los Angeles County,
  #California (fips == "06037"). Which city has seen greater changes over
  #time in motor vehicle emissions?
  #We first get the SCC codes relevant to Motor Vehicle sources
  #To do this, we see that SCC.Level.One should be "Mobile Sources"
  #and SCC.Level.Two should be any highway or off-highway vehicle and we
  #should exclude aircraft etc. Lets do this now
  msSCC <- SCC[SCC$SCC.Level.One == "Mobile Sources", ]

  mvSCC <- msSCC[msSCC$SCC.Level.Two == "Highway Vehicles - Gasoline"
    |msSCC$SCC.Level.Two == "Highway Vehicles - Diesel"
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    |msSCC$SCC.Level.Two == "Off-highway Vehicle Gasoline, 4
-Stroke"
    |msSCC$SCC.Level.Two == "Off-highway Vehicle Diesel", ]

  #Now, we will filter NEI based the SCC in the motor vehicle sources
  mvNEI <- NEI[NEI$SCC %in% mvSCC$SCC, ]

  #Next we filter mvNEI to have data only for Baltimore
  mvNEI_b <- subset(mvNEI, fips=="24510", select=c(Emissions, year))

  #Next we filter mvNEI to have data only for Log Angeles
  mvNEI_la <- subset(mvNEI, fips=="06037", select=c(Emissions, year))

  #Now get the total of emissions across the years in baltimore
  sumdt_b <- summarise(group_by(mvNEI_b, year), sum(Emissions))
  setnames(sumdt_b, old="sum(Emissions)", new="Total_Emissions_in_Baltimore")

  #Now get the total of emissions across the years in los angeles
  sumdt_la <- summarise(group_by(mvNEI_la, year), sum(Emissions))
  setnames(sumdt_la, old="sum(Emissions)", new="Total_Emissions_in_LA")

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# To show the changes for the two counties, we will draw 2 plots
# and draw a smoother. Visually you can make out which county has seen
# greater changes in the emissions

png(filename="plot6.png", width=700, height=480)
#since we will be drawing 2 plots, set mfrow
par(mfrow=c(1,2))

#plot with points and draw a smoother for Baltimore
with(sumdt_b, plot(year, Total_Emissions_in_Baltimore, pch=20,
                  axes=FALSE,
                  ylab="Total Emissions across Motor Vehicle Sources in
Baltimore"))

axis(side=1, at=c(1999, 2002, 2005, 2008))
axis(side=2)
box()
model <- lm(Total_Emissions_in_Baltimore ~ year, sumdt_b)
abline(model, lwd=2)

#plot with points and draw a smoother for LA
with(sumdt_la, plot(year, Total_Emissions_in_LA, pch=20,
                  axes=FALSE,
                  ylab="Total Emissions across Motor Vehicle Sources i
n LA"))

axis(side=1, at=c(1999, 2002, 2005, 2008))
axis(side=2)
box()
model <- lm(Total_Emissions_in_LA ~ year, sumdt_la)
abline(model, lwd=2)

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Overall evaluation/feedback

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