# Visualizing in $R$ - advanced plotting 

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## 2. Displaying multivariate data

- Scatterplots and pairwise scatter plots
- Parallel coordinate plots


## A classic bivariate example



## Marginal distributions add information value



## We use a $2 \times 2$ layout for this plot

```
pdf(...)
zones=matrix(c(2,0,1,3), ncol=2, byrow=TRUE)
layout(zones, widths=c(4/5,1/5), heights=c (1/5,4/5))
limit <- c(58,79)
fhist = hist(father.son$fheight, breaks=58:79, plot=FALSE)
shist = hist(father.son$sheight, breaks=58:79, plot=FALSE)
top = max(c(shist$counts, fhist$counts))
par(mar=c (4,4,1,1))
plot(father.son, xlim=limit, ylim=limit, cex=0.5,
    xlab="Height of father (in)", ylab="Height of son (in)")
abline(a=0, b=1)
par(mar=c (0,4,1,1))
barplot(fhist$counts, axes=FALSE, ylim=c(0, top), space=0)
par(mar=c(4,0,1,1))
barplot(shist$counts, axes=FALSE, xlim=c(0, top), space=0,
    horiz=TRUE)
dev.off()
```


## In higher dimensions, we use pairwise scatterplots



## We only need one panel

pairs(iris[1:4],
upper. panel=NULL, col=iris\$Species)


## Marginal histograms can be added

```
panel.hist <- function(x, ...)
{
    usr <- par("usr")
    on.exit(par(usr))
    par(usr = c(usr[1:2], 0, 1.5) )
    h <- hist(x, plot = FALSE)
    breaks <- h$breaks
    nB <- length(breaks)
    y <- h$counts
    y <- y/max(y)
    rect(breaks[-nB], 0,
        breaks[-1], y)
}
pairs(iris[1:4], col=iris$Species,
    cex = 0.5, pch = 24,
    diag.panel = panel.hist,
    upper.panel=NULL)
```



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## We can include the correlation

```
panel.cor <- function(x, y,
    digits = 2,
    prefix = "")
{
    usr <- par("usr")
    on.exit(par(usr))
    par(usr = c(0, 1, 0, 1))
    r <- abs(cor(x, y))
    txt <- format(c(r, 0.123456789),
        digits = digits)[1]
    txt <- pasteO(prefix, txt)
    cex.cor <- 0.8/strwidth(txt)
    text(0.5, 0.5, txt,
        cex = cex.cor * r)
}
pairs(iris[1:4],
    upper.panel = panel.cor)
```


$\begin{array}{lllll}0.5 & 1.0 & 1.5 & 2.0 & 2.5\end{array}$




## Alternatively, we can use ggpairs()



```
library(GGally)
ggpairs(iris, colour="Species", axisLabels="none")
```


## Large tables are cumbersome, especially in presentations <br> Section 2.2

|  | Regional Score |  |  |  | Local Score |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Model | A | B | C |  | A | B | C |
| 1 | 9.73 | 144.9 | 0.000 |  | 8.34 | 99.7 | 0.000 |
| 2 | 10.04 | 161.3 | 0.364 |  | 8.96 | 120.0 | 0.678 |
| 3 | 9.74 | 145.2 | 0.021 |  | 8.39 | 100.4 | 0.060 |
| 4 | 9.74 | 145.2 | 0.029 |  | 8.41 | 100.7 | 0.087 |
| 5 | 9.75 | 145.2 | 0.074 |  | 8.44 | 100.6 | 0.134 |
| 6 | 9.80 | 148.4 | 0.089 |  | 8.72 | 111.0 | 0.437 |
| 7 | 9.92 | 154.3 | 0.234 |  | 8.92 | 117.5 | 0.678 |
| 8 | 9.74 | 146.3 | 0.132 |  | 8.65 | 106.8 | 0.450 |
| 9 | 9.81 | 145.2 | 0.136 |  | 8.91 | 119.8 | 0.731 |
| 10 | 10.21 | 162.9 | 0.536 |  | 9.23 | 126.1 | 1.081 |
| 11 | 9.92 | 152.5 | 0.172 |  | 8.75 | 111.2 | 0.423 |
| 12 | 11.23 | 268.1 | 2.409 |  | 14.03 | 292.9 | 4.073 |
| 13 | 10.07 | 167.1 | 0.486 |  | 8.97 | 127.7 | 0.873 |
| 14 | 9.81 | 147.8 | 0.128 |  | 8.55 | 106.9 | 0.352 |
| 15 | 10.15 | 159.1 | 0.389 |  | 9.08 | 120.8 | 0.967 |
| 16 | 9.75 | 145.5 | 0.131 |  | 8.99 | 119.9 | 0.779 |
| 17 | 9.75 | 145.2 | 0.062 |  | 8.92 | 115.7 | 0.605 |
| 18 | 10.47 | 181.5 | 0.842 |  | 9.23 | 139.5 | 1.239 |
| 19 | 10.14 | 157.2 | 0.416 |  | 8.94 | 121.0 | 0.817 |
| 20 | 9.76 | 147.6 | 0.065 |  | 8.66 | 109.0 | 0.510 |

## Parallel coordinate plot offers a graphical view



## The code is very simple

```
library(MASS)
pdf(...)
par(mar=c (5,4,4,8)+0.1, xpd=TRUE)
parcoord(scores, lty=lines, col=colors, var.label=TRUE)
legend("topright", inset=c(-0.2,0), legend=c(1:20), lty=lines,
    col=colors, title="Models")
dev.off()
```

scores is a data frame with 20 lines and 6 columns, where the column names are "Reg A", "Reg B",...

