

Quick Wins in R

—The Ultimate Beginner's Cheat Sheet—

Getting started

1. Download RStudio from [RStudio.com](#), and use it to write and run your R scripts
2. Start a new project and load in data files for easy access
3. To install ggplot2: go to the Packages tab → Click Install → Type `ggplot2` → Click Install

Data at first sight

Import data

```
# Read data from a file into a data.frame (use sep="," for csv files)
my_data <- read.csv("pokemon.tsv", sep="\t", header=TRUE)
```

Inspect the data

```
# Preview the top of the file | # View the column names | # Count number of rows and columns
head(my_data) | names(my_data) | dim(my_data)
```

Basic statistics

```
# Basic statistics | # Stats for a categorical column: | # Stats for a numerical column
summary(my_data) | names(my_data$Type_1) | summary(my_data$HP)
                  | | mean(my_data$HP); sd(my_data$HP)
```

Correlation

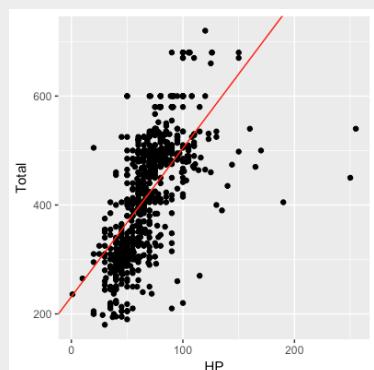
```
# calculate correlation between HP and Total
r <- cor(my_data$HP, my_data$Total)
r^2
```

Linear regression

```
# Create a fit where y=Total, x=HP:
fit <- lm(Total ~ HP, data=my_data)

# y = mx + b
b <- fit$coefficients[1]
m <- fit$coefficients[2]

# Draw a scatterplot with a fit line
ggplot(my_data, aes(x=HP, y=Total)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_abline(slope=m, intercept=b, color="red")
```

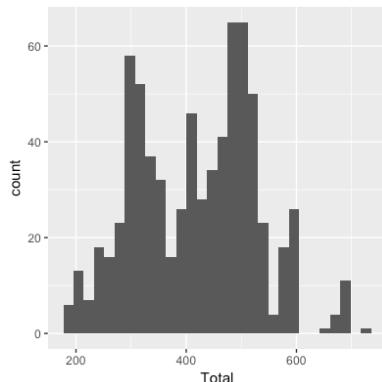
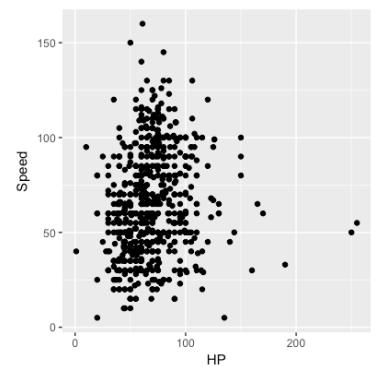


First: Load the ggplot2 library

```
library(ggplot2)
```

Scatter plot

```
# Simple scatter plot  
ggplot(my_data, aes(x=HP, y=Speed)) + geom_point()  
  
# Color points by another column  
ggplot(my_data, aes(x=HP, y=Speed, color=Type_1)) + geom_point()  
ggplot(my_data, aes(x=HP, y=Speed, color=Attack)) + geom_point()
```

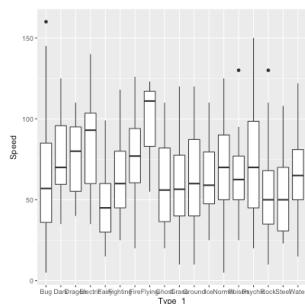
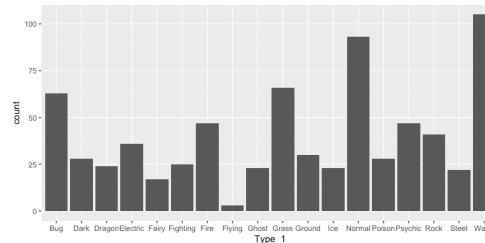


Histogram

```
# Set the total number of bins  
ggplot(my_data, aes(x=HP)) + geom_histogram(bins=20)  
  
# Set the binwidth: good for discrete numbers  
ggplot(my_data, aes(x=HP)) + geom_histogram(binwidth=1)
```

Bar chart

```
# Simple bar chart  
ggplot(my_data, aes(x=Type_1)) + geom_bar()  
  
# Color bars by another column  
ggplot(my_data, aes(x=Type_1, fill=isLegendary)) + geom_bar()
```



Box plot

```
# Simple box plot  
ggplot(my_data, aes(x=Type_1, y=Speed)) + geom_boxplot()  
  
# Splitting and coloring by another column  
ggplot(my_data, aes(x=Type_1, y=Speed, fill=hasGender)) + geom_boxplot()
```

Save an image of the plot as a file

```
png("my_plot.png", width=1000, height=1000, res=100)  
  # ggplot code here  
dev.off()  
# or replace png with: tiff, jpeg, pdf
```