PISA Data Analysis leveraging R:

pros and cons

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What is PISA?

PISA is the OECD's Programme for International Student Assessment

Goals:

- PISA measures 15-year-olds' ability to use their reading, mathematics and science knowledge and skills to meet real-life challenges.
- PISA makes it possible to compare Educational systems of different countries.
- PISA gives us opportunity to define factors, which influences students achievements.

PISA

2000-2018:

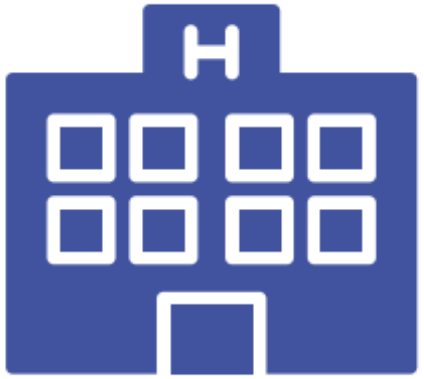
PISA has involved more than 90 countries and economies and about 3 000 000 students worldwide

PISA-2018:

600 000 students representing about **32** million 15-year-olds in schools of **79** participating countries and economies sat the 2-hour PISA test in 2018

Ukraine in PISA-2018

- Ukraine participated in PISA for the first time
- Over 6 000 students from 250 Ukrainian schools representing about 315 000 Ukrainian students sat the 2-hour PISA test and filled in questionnaires



Our goal: Ukraine PISA National report

PISA https://www.oecd.org/pisa/

Content of technical report

- Usefulness of PISA Data for Policy Makers, Researchers and Experts on Methodology
- Exploratory Analysis Procedures
- Sample Weights
- **Replicate Weights**
- **Computation of Standard Errors** (take into account the complex sample design)
- **Plausible Values**
- **Analyses with Plausible Values** (take into account rotated test forms)
- Use of Proficiency Levels
- The Rasch Model

Content of technical report

- Analyses with School-Level Variables
- Standard Error on a Difference
- **OECD Total and OECD Average**
- Trends
- **Studying the Relationship between Student Performance and Indices Derived from Contextual Questionnaires**
- Multilevel Analyses
- PISA and Policy Relevance – Three Examples of Analyses
- SPSS® Macro; SAS® Macro
- SAS Macro for 10 Plausible Values

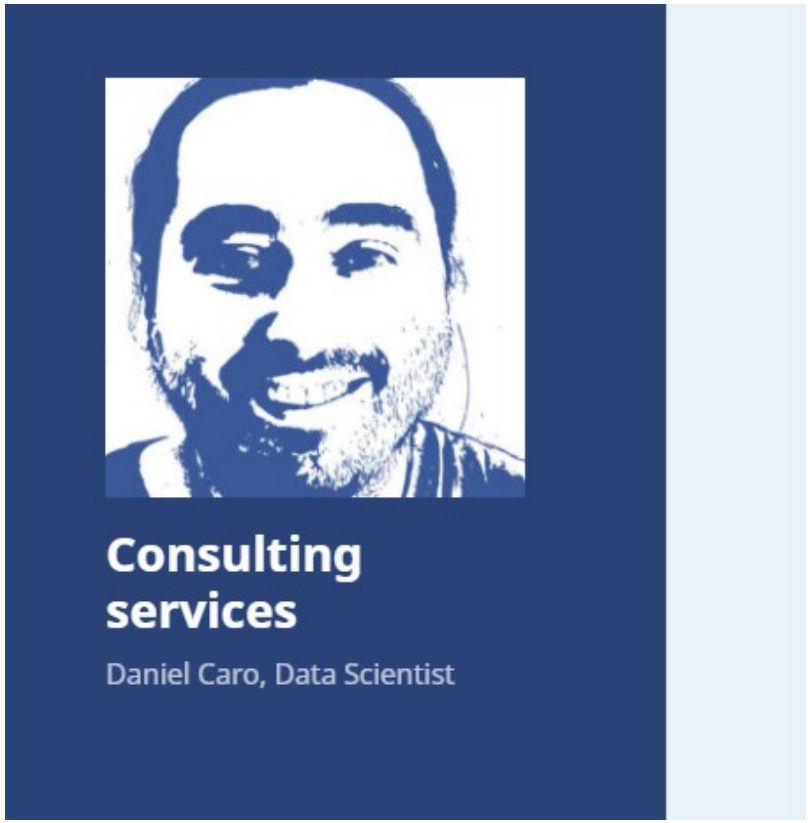
Statistical software

- SPSS
- STATA
- SAS
- R

	SAS	SPSS	R
Advantages	1. High adoption rate in major industries 2. Flow based interface with drag and drop 3. Official support 4. Handling large datasets 5. 'PROC SQL'	1. Used a lot in universities 2. Good user interface with extensive documentation 3. Click & Play functionality 4. Writing code made easy using the ´paste´ button. 5. Official support	1. Big community who creates libraries 2. Free 3. Early adopter in explanatory and predictive modeling. 4. Easy to connect to data sources, including NoSQL and webscraping.
Disadvantages	1. Relatively high cost 2. For not-standard options not in interface, you'll need to write the code 3. Slow adapting to new techniques 4. Different programs for visualization or Data Mining	1. Relatively high cost 2. different licenses for different functionalities. 3. Syntax limited 4. Slow adapting to new techniques 5. Slow in handling large datasets	1. Can be slow with big datasets 2. Steep learning curve 3. No official support 4. No user interface

- IDB Analyzer (https://www.iea.nl/data-tools/tools#section-308)
- PISA Data Explorer (https://pisadataexplorer.oecd.org/ide/idepisa/)

intsvy package



R 'intsvy'

intsvy: International Assessment Data Manager

intsvy is an R package for working with international assessment data from PISA

PISA
TIMSS
PIRLS
PIAAC
ICILS

https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/intsvy/intsvy.pdf

http://danielcaro.net/r-intsvy/

Preparation of the PISA data files

- **Importing my data**
- **Merge the PISA data files**
- **Recode variables**
- **Creating new variables**

```
library(intsvy)
```

pisa.var.label

pisa.select.merge

```
library(survey)
```

svydesign

svyquantile

Calculating main estimates

- **Average students performance**

```
pisa2015.mean.pv(pvlabel = "READ", data = pisa)
Freq      Mean  s.e.   SD      s.e
1 5998  465.95  3.5    93.34   1.7
```

- **Frequency tables**

```
pisa2015.table(variable="TFGender", data = pisa)
 TFGender  Freq Percentage Std.err.
1   Female  2857      47.37    1.02
2     Male  3141      52.63    1.02
```

```
library(intsvy)
```

pisa2015.mean.pv

pisa2015.mean

pisa2015.table

Calculating main estimates

- **Proficiency levels**

pisa2015.ben.pv(pvlabel="READ", cutoff = c(189.33, 262.04, 334.75, 407.47, 480.18, 552.89, 625.61, 698.32), data=pisa)

	Benchmarks	Percentage	Std. err.
1	<= 189.33	0.17	0.08
2	(189.33, 262.04]	1.80	0.29
3	(262.04, 334.75]	7.21	0.69
4	(334.75, 407.47]	16.73	0.87
5	(407.47, 480.18]	27.73	0.81
6	(480.18, 552.89]	28.48	0.97
7	(552.89, 625.61]	14.47	0.82
8	(625.61, 698.32]	3.24	0.44
9	> 698.32	0.17	0.11

```
library(intsvy)
```

```
pisa2015.ben.pv
```

Regression models

- **Linear regression analysis**

pisa2015.reg.pv(pvlabel = "READ", x="TFGender", data = pisa)

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value
(Intercept)	483.56	3.63	133.30
TFGenderMale	-33.46	3.86	-8.67
R-squared	0.03	0.01	4.54

```
library(intsvy)
```

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pisa2015.reg.pv
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pisa2015.reg
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Regression models

- **Logistic regression analysis**

```
fit1<-pisa2015.log.pv(pvlabel = "MATH", x="TFGender",cutoff=420, data=pisa)
```

	Coef.	Std. Error	t value	OR	CI95low	CI95up
(Intercept)	1.47	0.09	16.33	4.34	3.64	5.18
TFGenderMale	-0.72	0.09	-7.94	0.49	0.41	0.58

```
library(intsvy)
```

pisa2015.log.pv

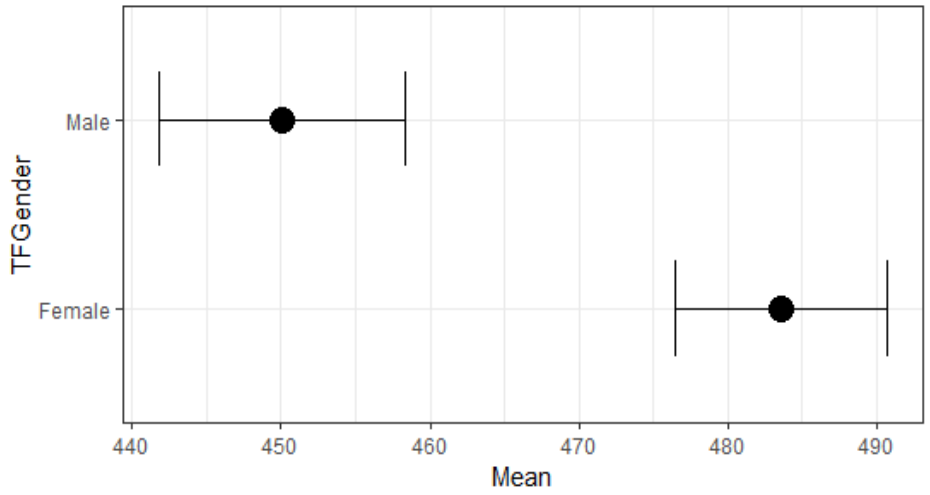
pisa2015.log

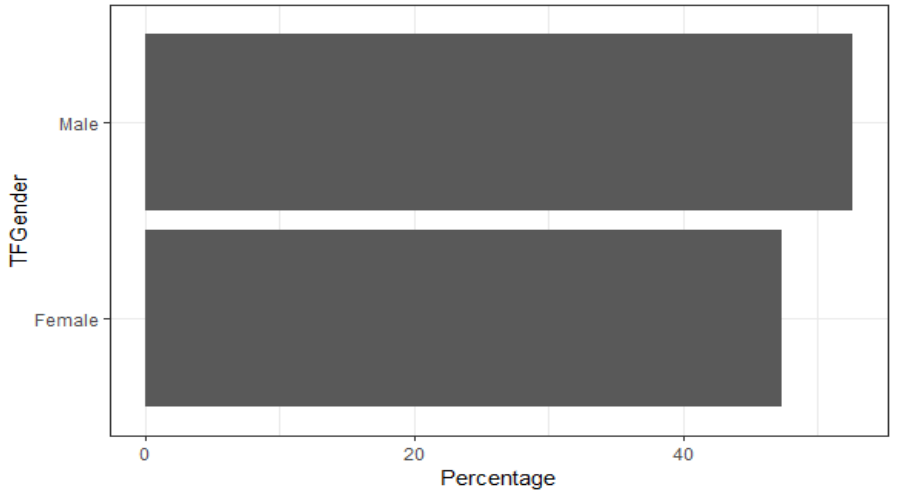
```
odds_female=exp(fit1$Coef.[1])
[1] 4.349235
odds_male=exp(fit1$Coef.[2])*exp(fit1$Coef.[1])
[1] 2.117
```

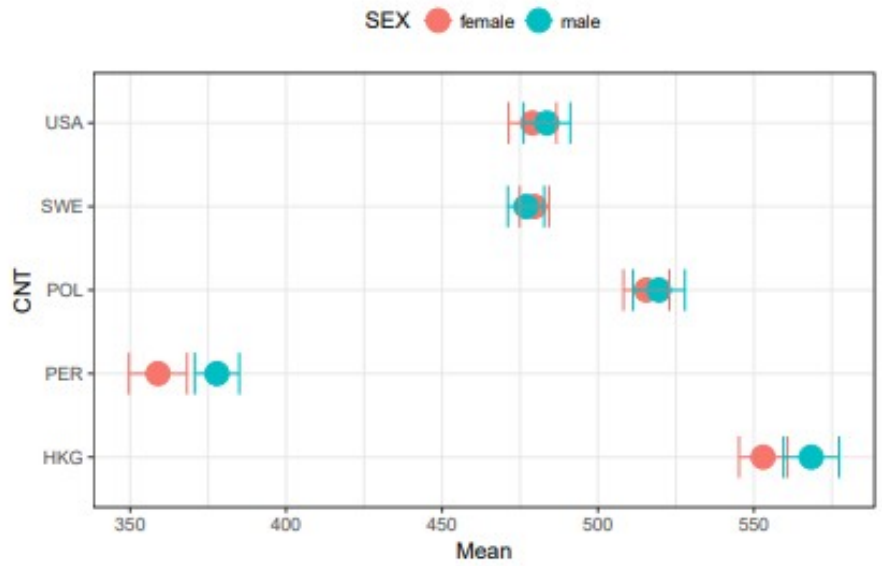
Plots

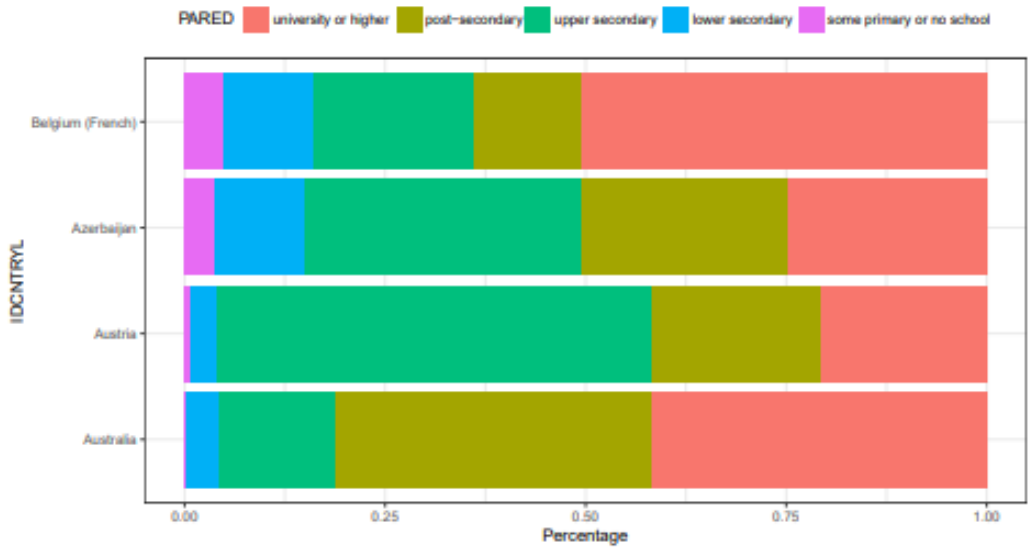
library(intsvy)

plot









Plots

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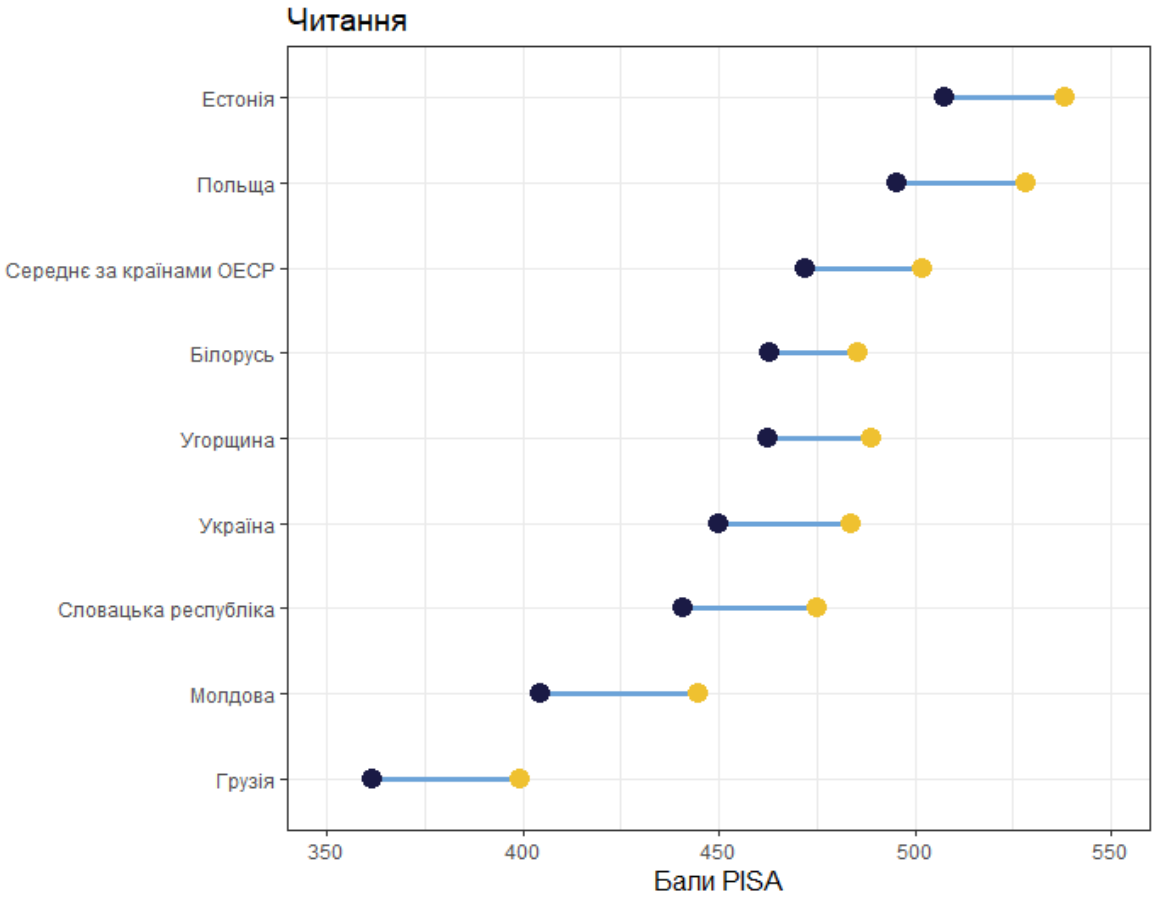
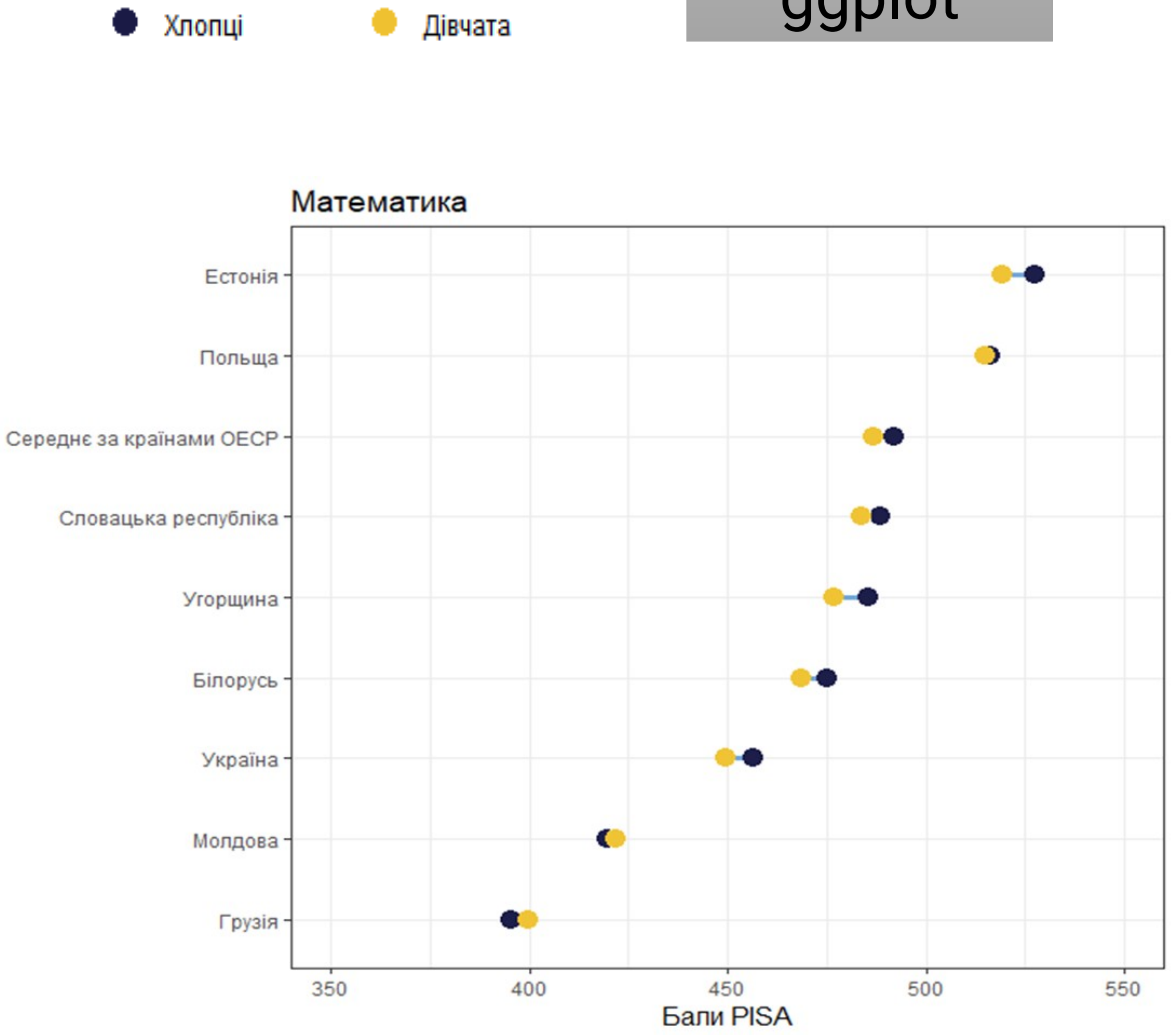
ggplot





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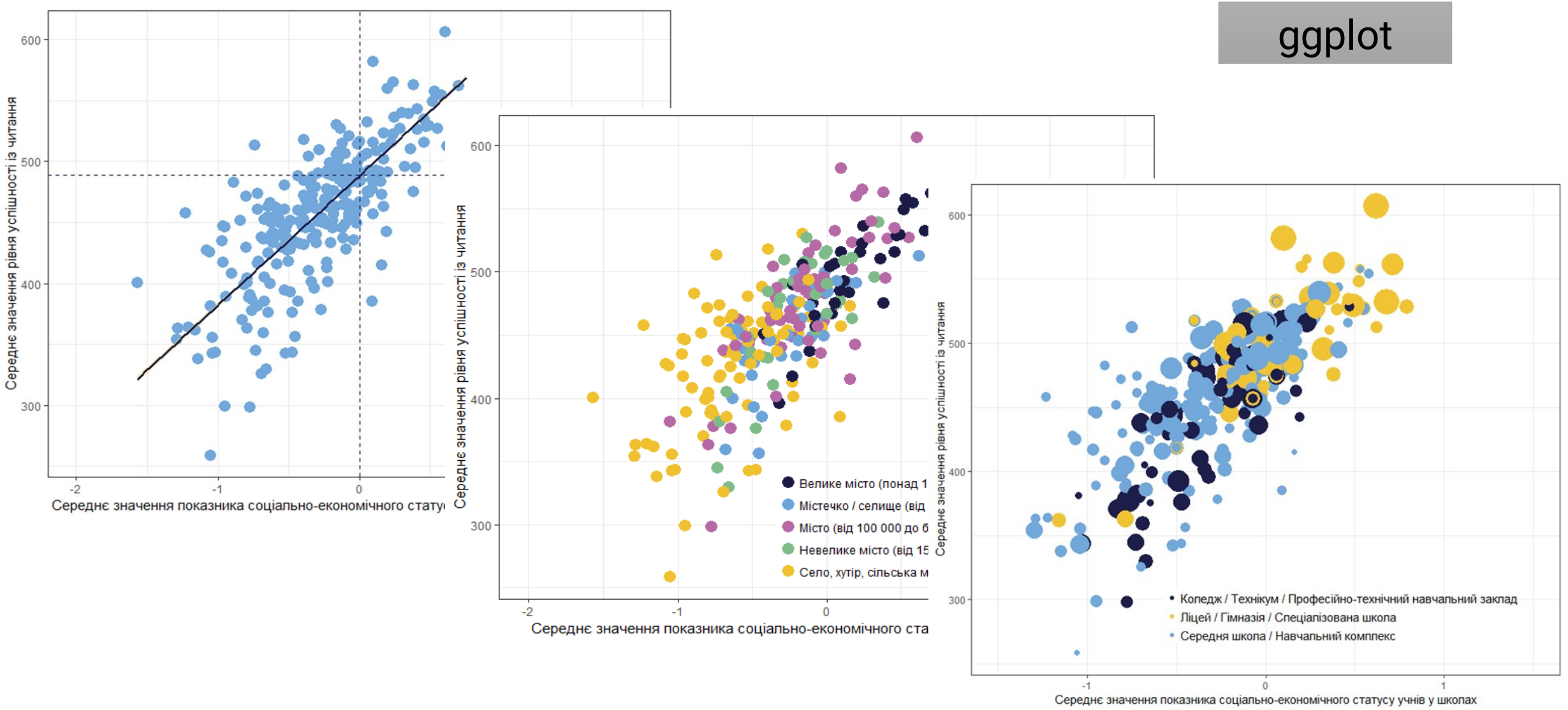

Additional PISA data analysis

library(lme4)

lmer

- **Multilevel regression models**

```
fm2<-lmer(stud484$PV1READ~1+stud484$ESCS +(1+stud484$Mean|
stud484$CNTSCHID),weights=stud484$norm_weight, stud484)
summary(fm2)
```

```
        Random effects:
Groups                   Name        Variance Std.Dev. Corr
 stud484$CNTSCHID (Intercept)      631.9    25.14
                  stud484$Mean     8047.4    89.71    0.44
                       Residual    5799.9    76.16
Number of obs: 5998, groups:  stud484$CNTSCHID, 250
        Fixed effects:
                Estimate Std. Error t value
(Intercept)      473.445    2.423   195.43
stud484$ESCS      24.111    1.481    16.28
Correlation of Fixed Effects:
        (Intr) std484$ESCS 0.110
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library(survey)

svydesign

Only for one PV !

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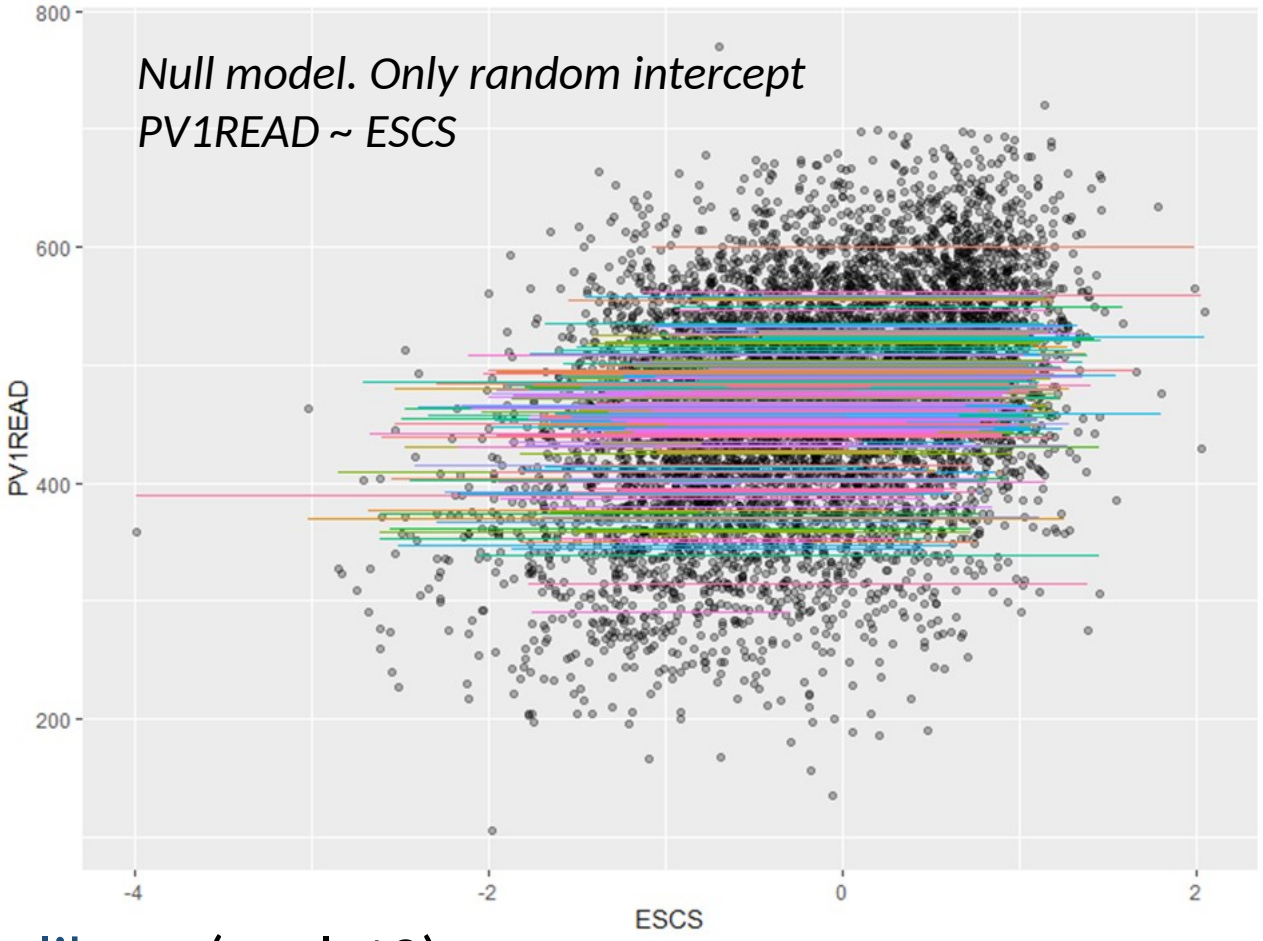

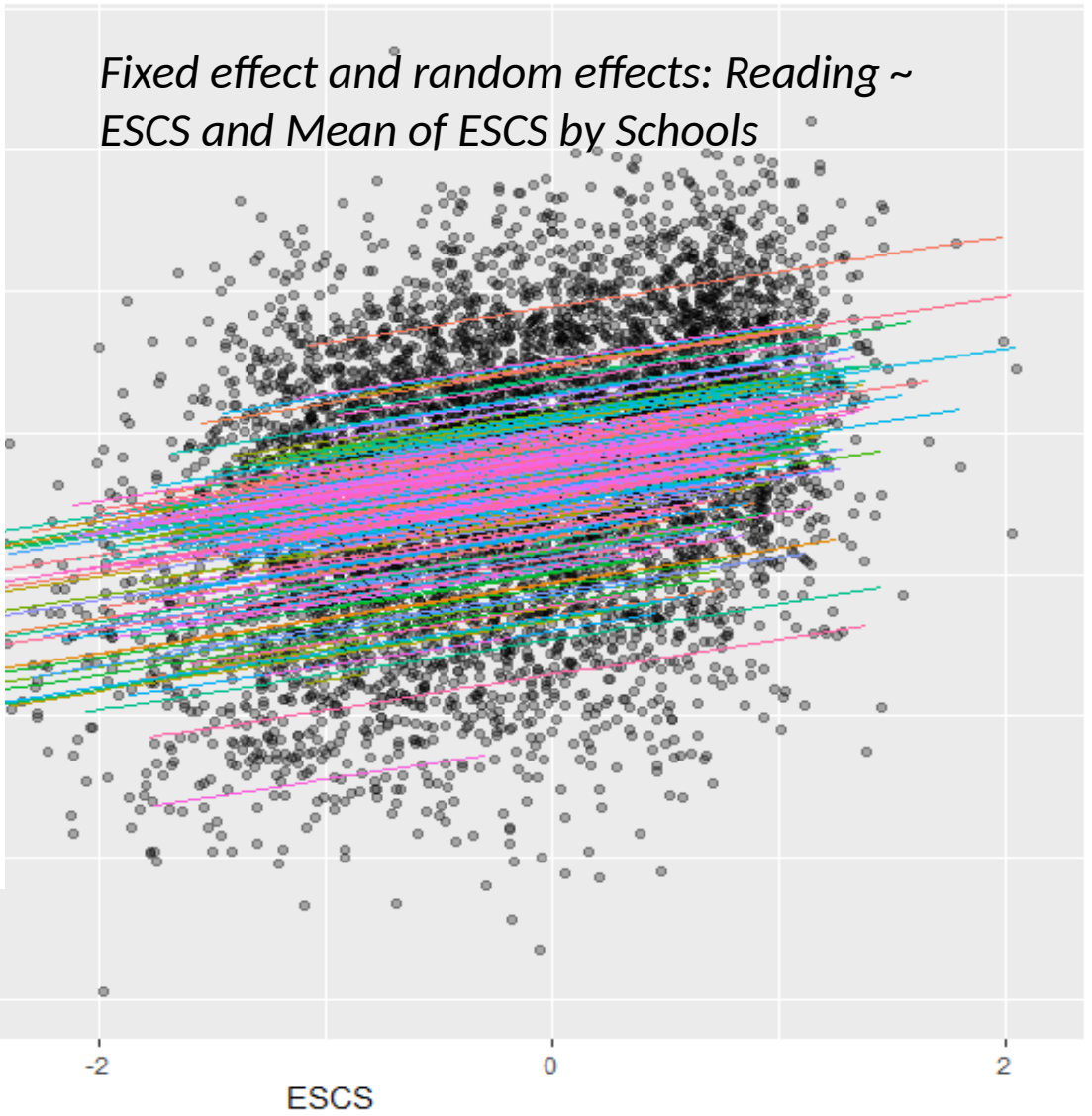


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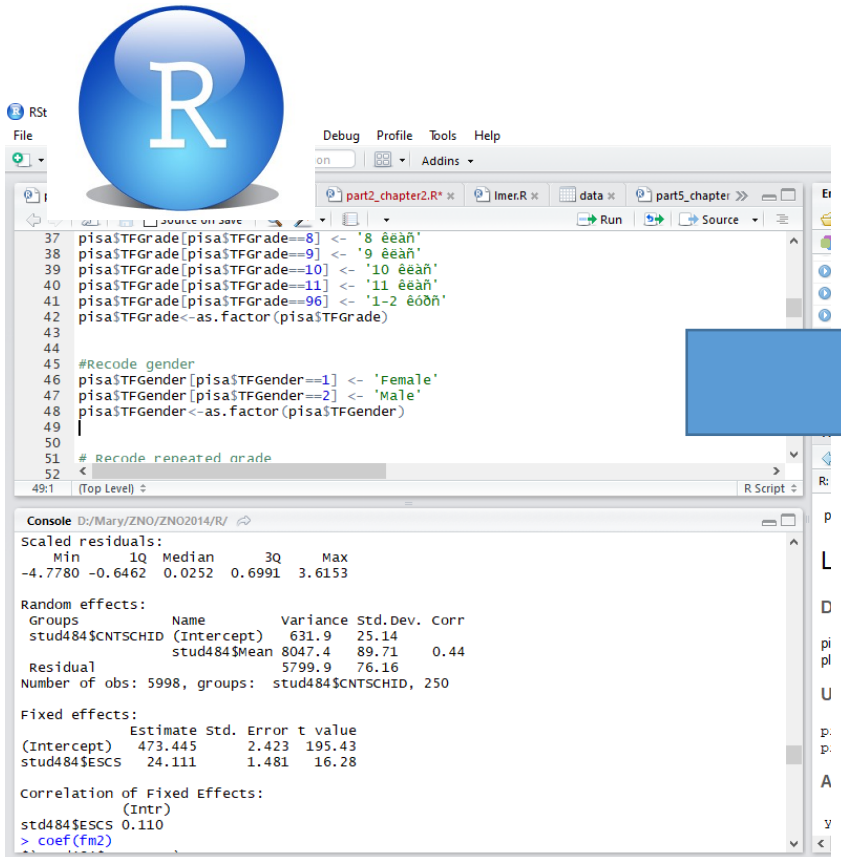
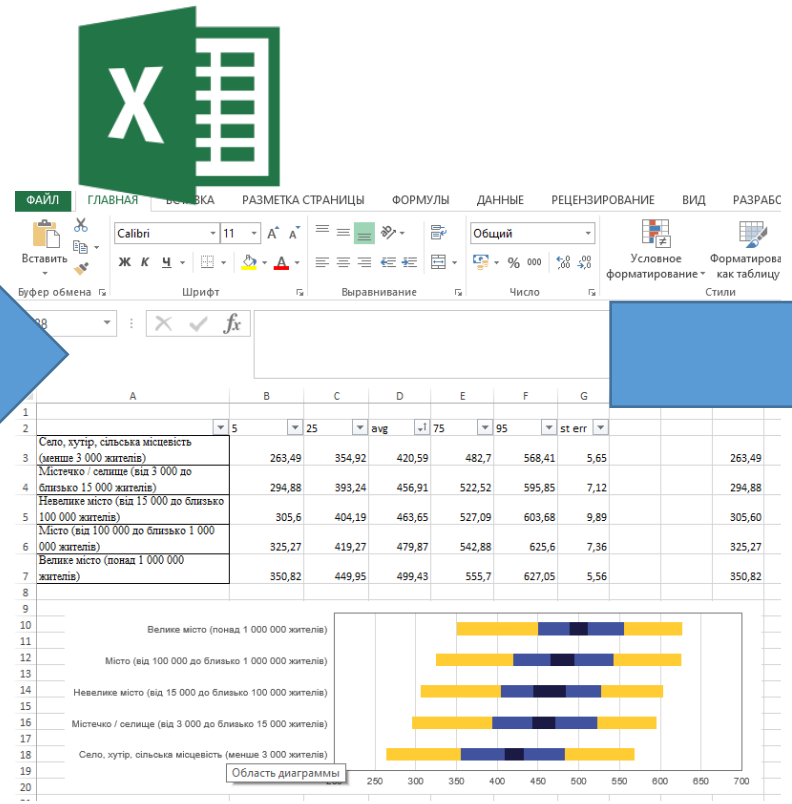
ggplot

PISA Writing report





… from OECD!

Pros and cons

- R is a free open source package.
- You can create a flexible script and repeat calculation process.
- You can use effective functions for calculating estimates taking into account the complex sample design and rotated test form of PISA data (using **intsvy** package).

- A major drawback of R is that most of its functions have to load all the data into memory before execution, which sets a **limit** to the volumes that can be handled.
- R requires some programming skills.
- The process of graph creating sometimes is very complex.

Results and discussion

We have published a Ukrainian National report, where the results of our work have been shown.
You can look them up in the reference: http://pisa.testportal.gov.ua/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/PISA_2018_Report_UKR.pdf

We don’t have a unified system for all calculations and for forming reports.
There aren’t a lot of functions for calculating different indicators. We want to extend intsvy package.

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