

# STAT 5110/6110: SAS Programming and Applications

## 8-A. SAS Graphics

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- 1 SAS graphs
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# Three Generations of SAS Graphics

Three generations of SAS graphics

- `proc plot`
- `proc gplot`
- `proc sgplot`

ODS Graphics

- high-quality graphs with easier syntax
- use `sgplot` for single-celled graphs and `sgpanel` for multi-celled graphs.

# Proc SGPLOT

We can use `proc sgplot` to draw the following plots.

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X-Y plot	band, bubble, ellipse, high-low, loess, needle, penalized B-spline, regression, scatter, step, and vector
continuous variable	box, density, histogram
categorical variable	dot, bar, line

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Specify a location to save graphs.

```
ods listing gpath = "/home/zengpen";
```

## Bar Chart

A bar chart is used to display the frequencies of different levels of a categorical variable.

```
proc sgplot data = SAS-data-set;  
  vbar variable / more-options;  
run;
```

You may use the following options to further control the appearance.

- **group** = specifies a variable used to group the data
- **groupdisplay** = how to display grouped bars, either **stack** or **cluster**

We can also use **title** statement to add a title and use **format** and **label** statements to change the texts for variables/levels.

**vbar** can be changed to **hbar** for horizontal bar chart.

## Histogram and Density

A histogram or density plot is used to display the distribution of a continuous variable.

```
proc sgplot data = SAS-data-set;  
  histogram variable / more-options;  
  density variable / more-options;  
run;
```

- `type` = specifies the type of density curve, either normal (default) or kernel.
- The histogram and density statements can be used together, but not with other types of graphs.

# Box Plot

A boxplot is used to display the five summary statistics of a continuous variable.

```
proc sgplot data = SAS-data-set;  
  vbox variable / more-options;  
run;
```

- **category** = specifies a categorical variable.
- **group** = specifies a second categorical variable.
- **vbox** can be changed to **hbox** for horizontal boxplot.

# Scatter Plot

A scatter plot is used to show the relationship between two continuous variables.

```
proc sgplot data = SAS-data-set;  
  scatter x = variable y = variable / more-options;  
run;
```

- **group** = specifies a categorical variable.
- **datalabel** = specifies a label for each point.



## Dot Plot

A dot plot is used to display some summary statistics of a continuous variable at different levels of a categorical variable.

```
proc sgplot data = SAS-data-set;  
  dot categorical-variable / more-options;  
run;
```

The options can be

- **response** = specifies a numeric response variable for the plot
- **stat** = specifies the statistic for the horizontal axis (**freq**, **mean**, **median**, **percent**, **sum**)
- **limitstat** = specifies the statistic for the limit lines (**clm**, **stddev**, **stderr**)

# Series Plot

Series plot is also called line plot. It makes sense when data must be displayed in a particular order.

```
proc sgplot data = SAS-data-set;  
  series x = variable y = variable / more-options;  
run;
```

- **group** = specifies a categorical variable.
- **markers** adds a marker for each data point.

# Fitted Curves

Show fitted curves by linear regression, loess, or splines.

```
proc sgplot data = SAS-data-set;  
  statement-name x = variable y = variable / more-options;  
run;
```

The *statement-name* can be

- **reg** for regression line
- **loess** for loess curve
- **pbsline** for penalized B-spline curves.
- **group =** specifies a categorical variable.
- **datalabel =** specifies a label for each point.

# Controlling Axes and Reference Lines

```
proc sgplot data = data-set;
  xaxis options;
  yaxis options;
  refile value / options;
run;
```

options for xaxis and yaxis include

- `grid` creates a line at each tick mark on the axis
- `label = 'text'` specifies axis label

options for refile include

- `axis = x` or `axis = y` specify the location
- `label =` specify labels
- `transparency =` specifies the degree of transparency

## Legends and Insets

keylegend / *options*;

Options include

- **title** = adds a title for the legend
- **across** = specifies number of columns in the legend
- **down** = specifies number of rows in the legend
- **location** = specifies location of legend (inside or outside)
- **position** = location of legend (top, topleft, topright, bottom, bottomleft, bottomright, left, right)

inset '*text-string*' / *options*;

Options include

- **border** adds a border
- **position** = specify the location

# Graph Attribute

Use options after a slash at the end of a basic plot statement

```
statement / fillattrs = (attribute = value);
```

- `fillattrs` can be changed to `labelattrs`, `lineattrs`, `markerattrs`, `valueattrs`
- attribute can be
  - `color` = use name such as red or #FF0000
  - `pattern` = solid, dash, dot, ...
  - `size` = numbers with units cm, in, px, ...
  - `style` = italic or normal
  - `symbol` = circle, diamond, plus, square, ...
  - `thickness` = numbers with units cm, in, px, ...
  - `weight` = bold or normal