

# How can I create a scatterplot with a regression line or other types of lines in R?

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Creating a scatterplot with a regression line or other types of lines in R can be done by using the "plot" function and specifying the type of line desired in the "type" argument. This will generate a scatterplot with the specified line overlaid on the plot. Additionally, the "abline" function can be used to add a regression line to the plot, with options to customize the line's slope and intercept. This allows for easy visualization and analysis of the relationship between two variables in a dataset.

## How can I do a scatterplot with regression line or any other lines? | R FAQ

R makes it very easy to create a scatterplot and regression line using an lm object created by lm function. We will illustrate this using the hsb2 data file.

```
hsb2<-  
read.table("https://stats.idre.ucla.edu/stat/data/hsb2.csv", sep=";", header=T)  
head(hsb2)
```

```
id female race ses schtyp prog read write math science  
socst
```

```
1 70 male white low public general 57 52 41 47 57
```

```
2 121 female white middle public vocation 68 59 53 63  
61
```

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3 86 male white high public general 44 33 54 58 31
```

4 141 male white high public vocation 63 44 47 53 56

5 172 male white middle public academic 47 52 57 53 61

6 113 male white middle public academic 44 52 51 63 61

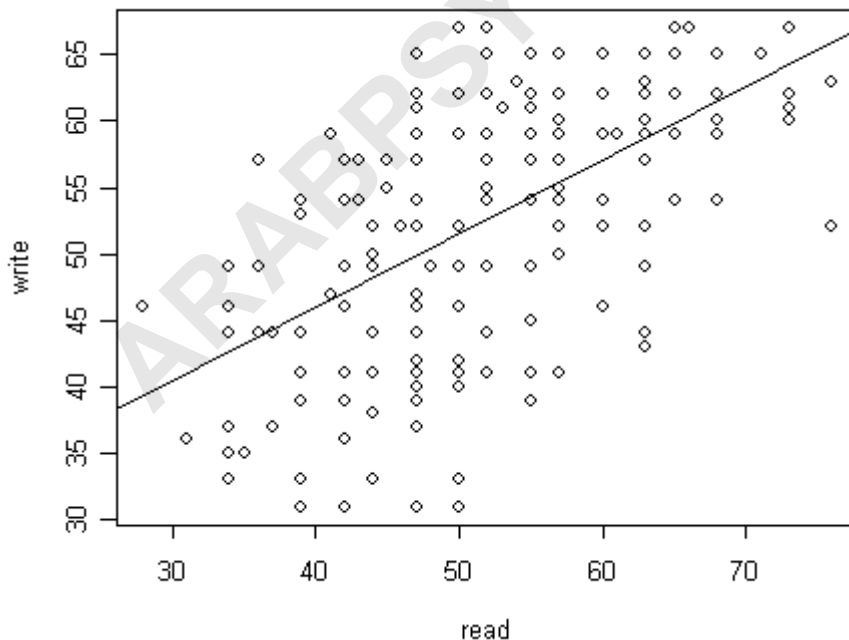
Here we can make a scatterplot of the variables write with read.

```
reg1 <- lm(write~read,data=hsb2)
```

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summary(reg1)
```

```
with(hsb2,plot(read, write))
```

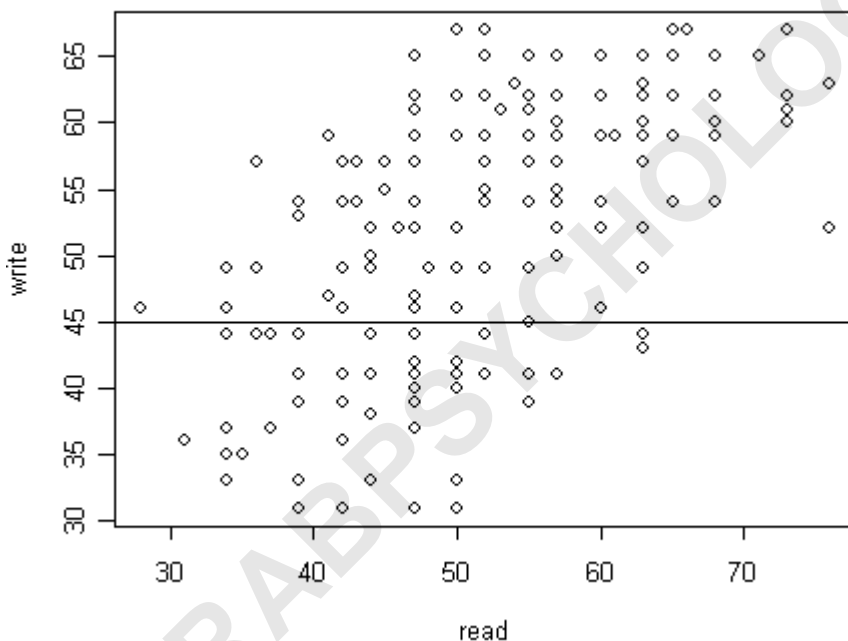
```
abline(reg1)
```



The abline function is actually very powerful. We can

**add any arbitrary lines using this function. For example, we can add a horizontal line at write = 45 as follows.**

```
with(hsb2, plot(read, write))  
abline(h=45)
```



**Here is another example where we add a line of 45 degree angle passing through the origin. In this type of syntax, the first parameter is the intercept and the second one the slope.**

```
with(hsb2,plot(read, write))  
abline(0, 1)
```

