

How can I plot the mean and standard deviation in ggplot2?

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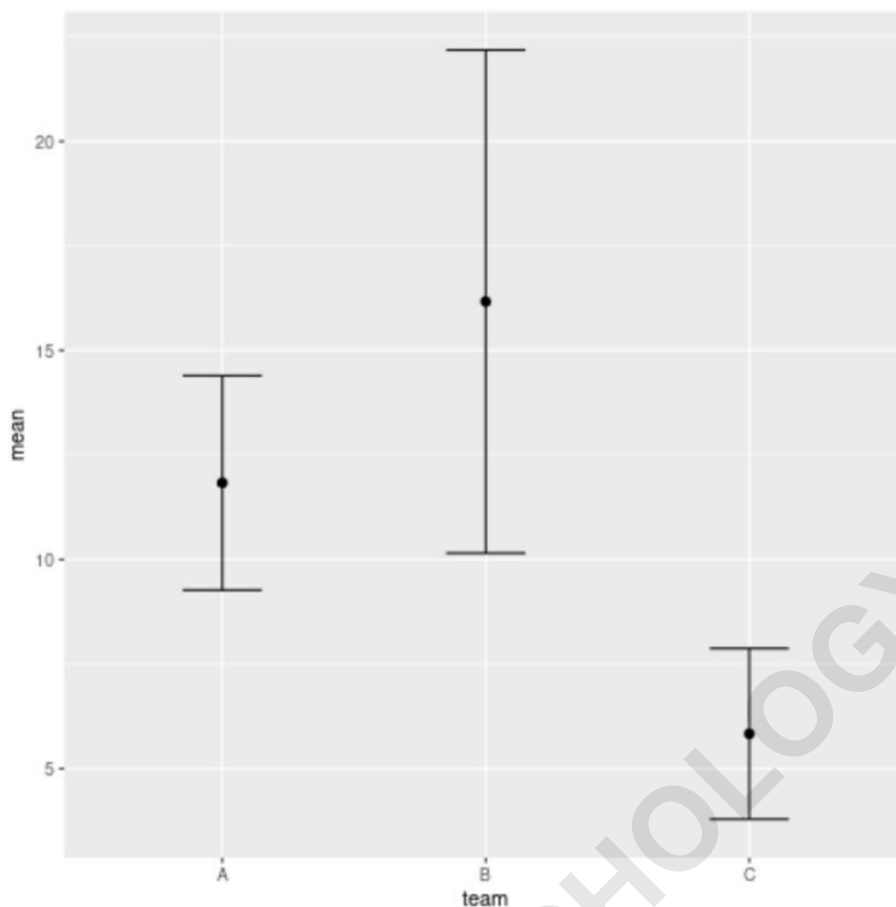
"GGplot2 is a powerful and popular data visualization tool used for creating high-quality plots and graphs in R. To plot the mean and standard deviation in ggplot2, one can use the 'stat_summary' function and specify the desired summary statistic, in this case, the mean and standard deviation. This function automatically calculates the summary statistics and plots them on the graph. By incorporating the mean and standard deviation into the plot, one can easily visualize the central tendency and variability of the data, providing valuable insights for data analysis and interpretation."

Plot Mean and Standard Deviation in ggplot2

Often you may want to plot the mean and standard deviation by group in ggplot2.

Fortunately this is easy to do using the `geom_point()` and `geom_errorbar()` functions in ggplot2.

The following example shows how to use these functions to create the following plot that shows the mean and standard deviation of points scored by various basketball teams:



Example: Plot Mean and Standard Deviation in ggplot2

Suppose we have the following data frame in R that contains information on the number of points scored by basketball players on three different teams:

```
#create data frame
```

```
df <- data.frame(team=rep(c('A', 'B', 'C'), each=6),  
points=c(8, 10, 12, 12, 14, 15, 10, 11, 12,  
18, 22, 24, 3, 5, 5, 6, 7, 9))
```

#view head of data frame

head(df)

team points

1 A 8

2 A 10

3 A 12

4 A 12

5 A 14

6 A 15

We can use functions from the dplyr package to quickly calculate the mean and standard deviation of points scored by players on each team:

library(dplyr)

#calculate mean and sd of points by team

df_mean_std <- df %>%

group_by(team) %>%

summarise_at(vars(points), list(mean=mean, sd=sd))

%>%

as.data.frame()

#view results

df_mean_std

team mean sd

1 A 11.833333 2.562551

2 B 16.166667 6.013873

3 C 5.833333 2.041241

Lastly, we can use the following functions from `ggplot2` to visualize the mean and standard deviation of points scored by players on each team:

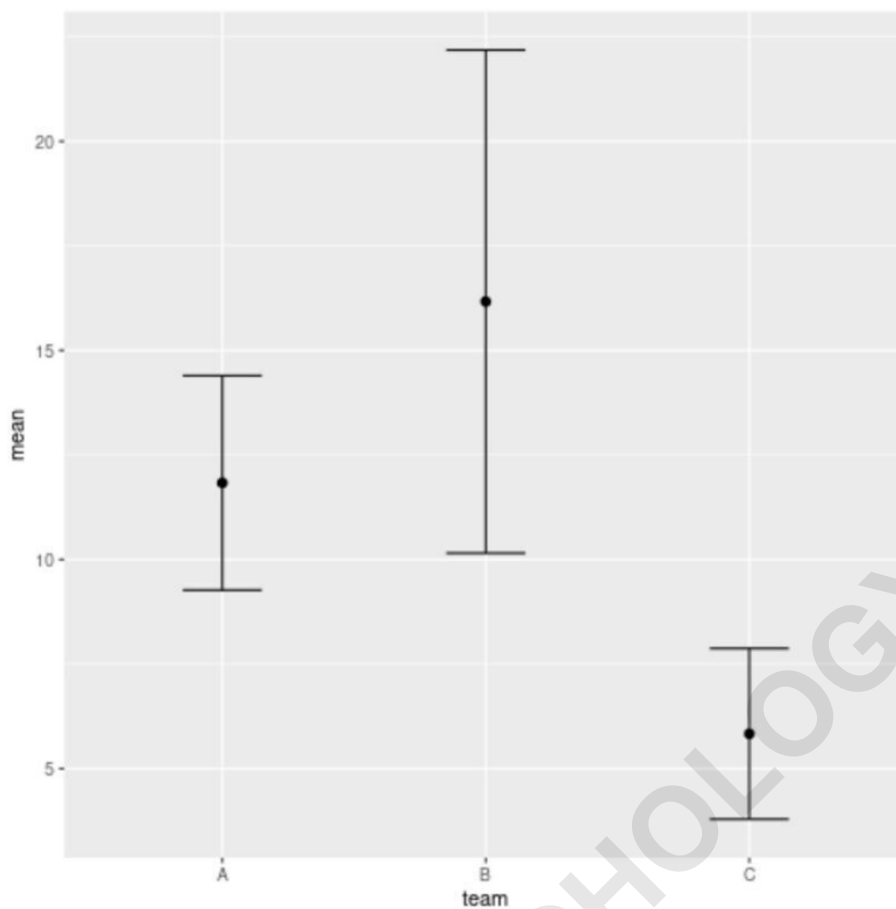
```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
#plot mean and standard deviation of points by team
```

```
ggplot(df_mean_std , aes(x=team, y=mean)) +
```

```
geom_errorbar(aes(ymin=mean-sd, ymax=mean+sd),  
width=.3) +
```

```
geom_point(size=2)
```



The resulting plot shows the mean and standard deviation of points scored by players on each team.

The circles represent the mean values and the length of the bars above and below each circle represent the standard deviation.

Note: The width argument in the `geom_errorbar()` function specifies how wide the error bars should be. Feel free to modify this value to adjust the width of the error bars in the plot.

The following tutorials explain how to perform other common tasks in ggplot2:

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