

# Conversion Guide between R and Python: Data visualization

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## General structure

**Basic plots** – The main basic plots are summarized in the table below:

Type	R Command	Python Command
Scatter plot	<code>geom_point(   x, y, params )</code>	<code>sns.scatterplot(   x, y, params )</code>
Line plot	<code>geom_line(   x, y, params )</code>	<code>sns.lineplot(   x, y, params )</code>
Bar chart	<code>geom_bar(   x, y, params )</code>	<code>sns.barplot(   x, y, params )</code>
Box plot	<code>geom_boxplot(   x, y, params )</code>	<code>sns.boxplot(   x, y, params )</code>
Heatmap	<code>geom_tile(   x, y, params )</code>	<code>sns.heatmap(   x, y, params )</code>

where the meaning of parameters are summarized in the table below:

Command	Description	Use case
color / hue	Color of a line / point / border	'red'
fill	Color of an area	'red'
size	Size of a line / point	4
linetype	Shape of a line	'dashed'
alpha	Transparency, between 0 and 1	0.3

## Advanced features

**Additional elements** – We can add objects on the plot with the following commands:

Type	R Command	Python Command
Line	<code>geom_vline(   xintercept, linetype )</code>	<code>ax.axvline(   x, ymin, ymax, color,   linewidth, linestyle )</code>
	<code>geom_hline(   yintercept, linetype )</code>	<code>ax.axhline(   y, xmin, xmax, color,   linewidth, linestyle )</code>
Rectangle	<code>geom_rect(   xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax )</code>	<code>ax.axvspan(   xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax )</code>
Text	<code>geom_text(   x, y, label, hjust, vjust )</code>	<code>ax.text(   x, y, s, color )</code>