

The Great Arctic Champagne Tasking

Results

There're basically no statistically significant patterns in our drink ratings overall—our preferences are a big bag of noise. Here's a nice summary of how we judged those champagnes anyway.

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Our Favourites

Turns out no-one really likes that \$75 Bollinger, but that second glass of Baby Canadian is just the ticket!

	Avg. Rating	Price	Sweet?	Drink order
Baby Canadian 2	7.67	\$11.25	Yes	17
Veuve du Vernay	7.18	\$17.62	No	12
Baby Canadian	6.92	\$11.25	Yes	11
Baby Duck	6.92	\$12.56	Yes	16
Canaletto	6.86	\$18.84	No	1
Coseccha	6.69	\$20.82	No	15
Minoetto	6.69	\$23.11	No	9
Spumante Bambino	6.54	\$11.57	Yes	10
Yellow Tail Bubbles	6.50	\$14.99	No	8
G.H. Mumm	6.43	\$50.92	No	7
President	6.43	\$13.72	No	4
Villa Teresa	6.40	\$22.8	No	14
Henkell Trocken	6.30	\$15.45	No	13
Martini	6.00	\$14.56	Yes	2
Hungaria	5.93	\$14.53	No	5
Freixinet	5.83	\$16.12	No	6
Bollinger	5.79	\$75.47	No	3

The bubbliest amongst us

These stars deserve their awards regardless but, statistically, there's no way to tell these effects apart from mere chance.

Most errors filling out forms:

Kate, Maciek, Talia

Fewest errors filling out forms:

Faye, Tess

Most accurate judge of alcohol content:

Kate (correlation = 0.62)

Least accurate judge of alcohol content:

Jeanne (correlation = -0.5)

Most accurate judge of price:

Maciek (correlation = 0.64)

Least accurate judge of price:

Leslie (correlation = -0.28)

Prefers the sweetest champagne:

Sam (correlation = 0.68)

Prefers the least sweet champagne:

Kate (correlation = -0.85)

Most expensive taste:

Diana (correlation = 0.53)

Least expensive taste:

Katie (correlation = -0.6)

Highest ratings on average:

Tess (9.12)

Lowest ratings on average:

Diana (5.18)

Rates higher when drunker:

Katie (correlation = 0.72)

Rates lower when drunker:

Darby (correlation = -0.25)

Most verbose:

Faye (1232 characters typed in comments)

Most parsimonious:

Kate (0 characters typed in comments)

Thinks things taste boozy:

Jeanne (67% rated as high alcohol)

Thinks things don't taste boozy enough:

Darby (28% rated as high alcohol)

Thinks things taste expensive:

Katie (56% rated as expensive)

Thinks things don't taste expensive enough:

Faye (12% rated as expensive)

Double rated Baby Canadian

	Baby Canadian (6:30pm)	Baby Canadian (8:30pm)	Rating?	Alcohol?	Expensive?	Comments
Caroline	8			High	No	Pretty tasty??
		6		Low	No	I think this is the same as before
Colleen	9			Low	No	
Darby	7			Low	No	
		9		Low	No	Easy to drink
Diana	7			High	Yes	
Faye	5			Low	No	Fairly sweet, but flavourful. Drinkable at least.
		4		Low	No	I don't even know any more. Somewhat sweet. Mid-sweet.
Jeanne	3			High	Yes	I don't remember a thing.
		6		High	No	Très sucré..c'est bon n, mais s ça.doit tomber sur le cœur
Kate	5			Low	No	
Katie	8			Low	Yes	Tastes so good!
		9		High	Yes	
Leslie	8			High	Yes	Tasty expensive
Maciek	5			Low	No	So damn sweet
Sam	7			High	No	This will give you heartburn af- ter 3 glasses
		7		Low	No	No, you pretentious comments!
Steve	8			Low	Yes	
		8		Low	Yes	Both divine and decadent.
Talía	10			High	Yes	YeeeeeeeeA
Tess	10			Low	No	
		10		High	No	My fav
			Correlation:	Same:	Same:	
			0.7 (high)	50%	87.5%	

Drinkers' deets

The champagnes you love/hate are your three highest/lowest rated, except for the person who gave a 10-rating to 10 different wines.

Love/hate buddies are the drinkers who your ratings correlated most/least with.

Caroline

You love: Veuve du Vernay, Martini, Baby Duck

You hate: Villa Teresa, Coseccha

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 8.25

Avg. rating of dry wines: 4.92

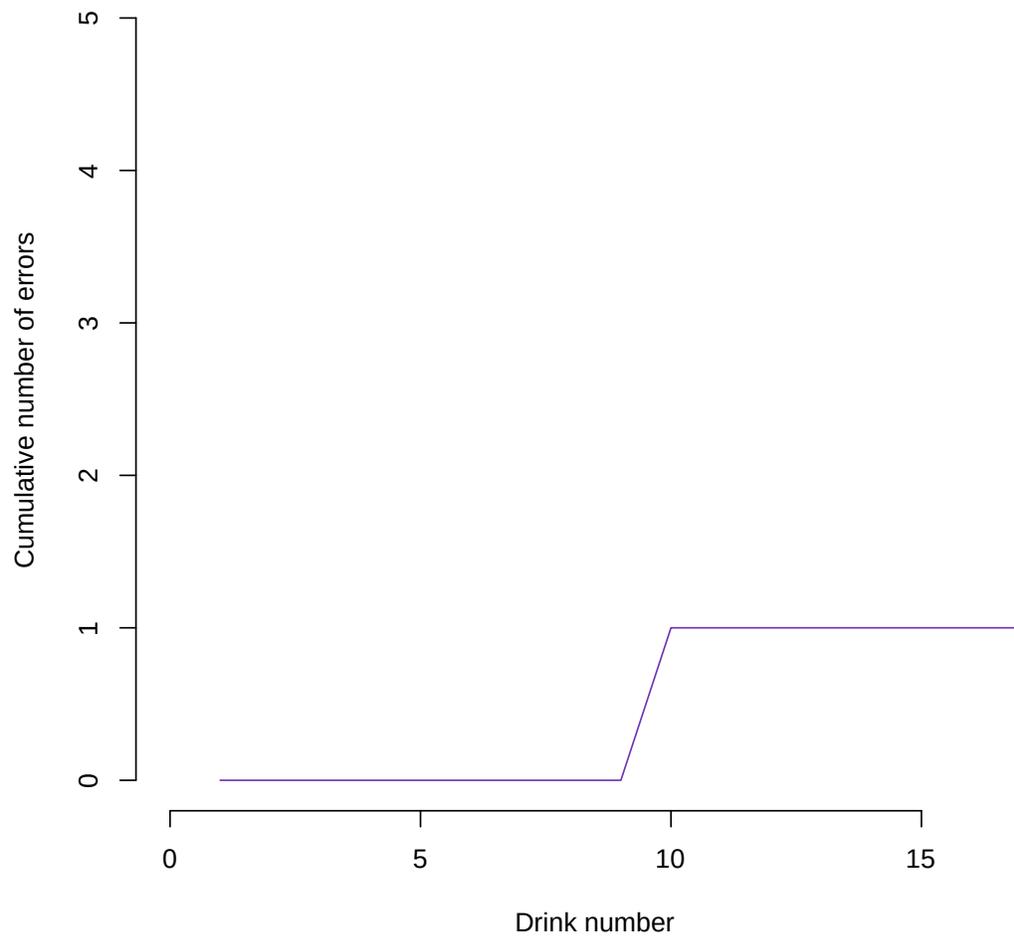
Rating - Alcohol correlation: -0.56 *Yuck!*

Rating - Price correlation: -0.06 *Who cares about price?*

Loves the same sparkles: Colleen, Darby, Tess

Hates your best bubbles: Kate, Leslie, Talia

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Colleen

You love: Coseccha, Spumante Bambino, Martini

You hate: Bollinger, Hungaria, Baby Duck

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 8.5

Avg. rating of dry wines: 7.67

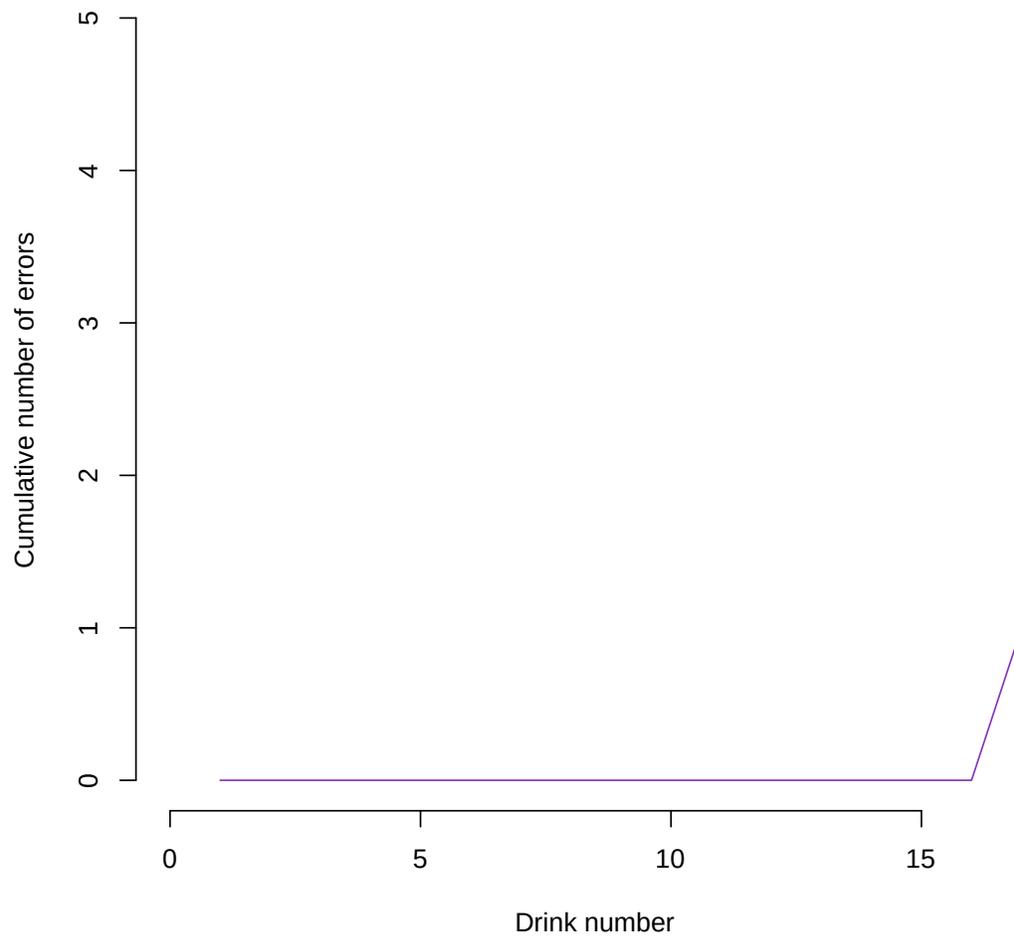
Rating - Alcohol correlation: -0.24 *Yuck!*

Rating - Price correlation: -0.46 *Cheaper is better!*

Loves the same sparkles: Darby, Sam, Tess

Hates your best bubbles: Kate, Maciek, Steve

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Darby

You love: Canaletto, Baby Canadian 2, Yellow Tail Bubbles, Martini

You hate: Villa Teresa, Hungaria, Coseccha, Baby Duck

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 7.4

Avg. rating of dry wines: 6.23

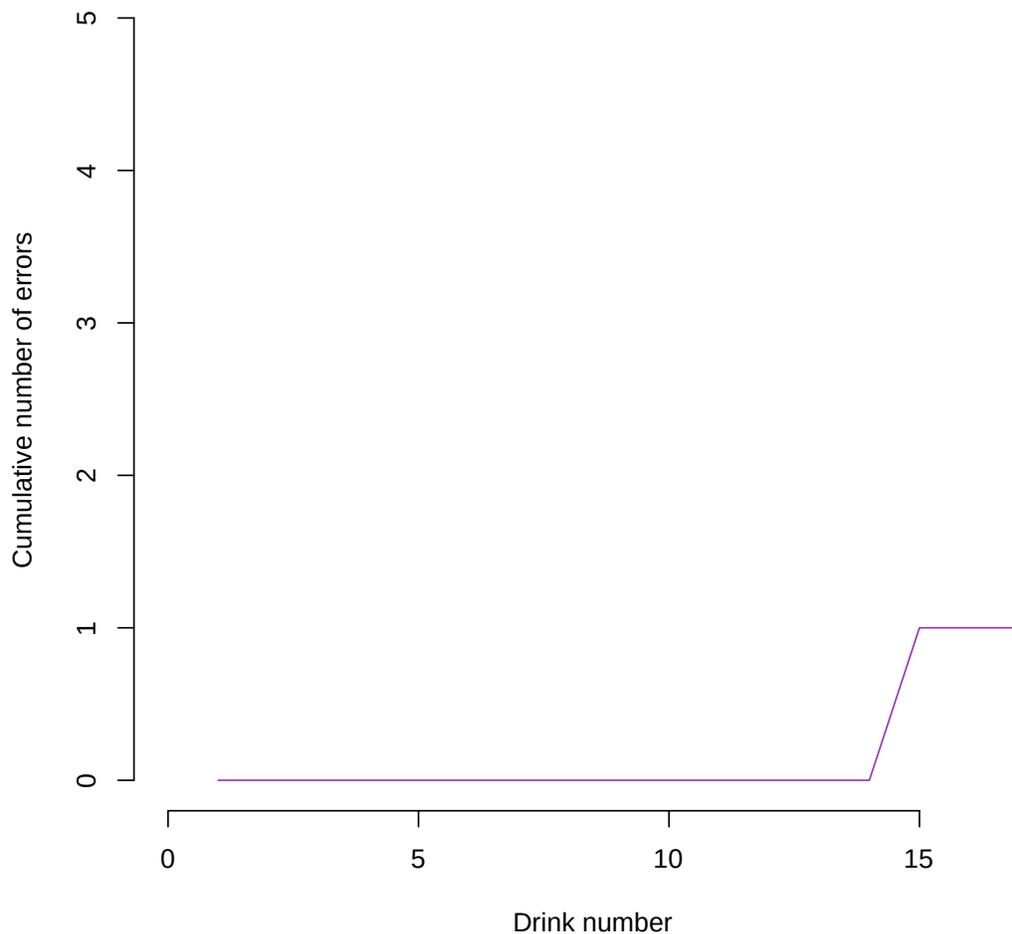
Rating - Alcohol correlation: -0.27 *Yuck!*

Rating - Price correlation: -0.24 *Cheaper is better!*

Loves the same sparkles: Colleen, Leslie, Sam

Hates your best bubbles: Diana, Kate, Maciek

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Diana

You love: G.H. Mumm, Hungaria, Bollinger

You hate: President, Martini

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 4

Avg. rating of dry wines: 5.62

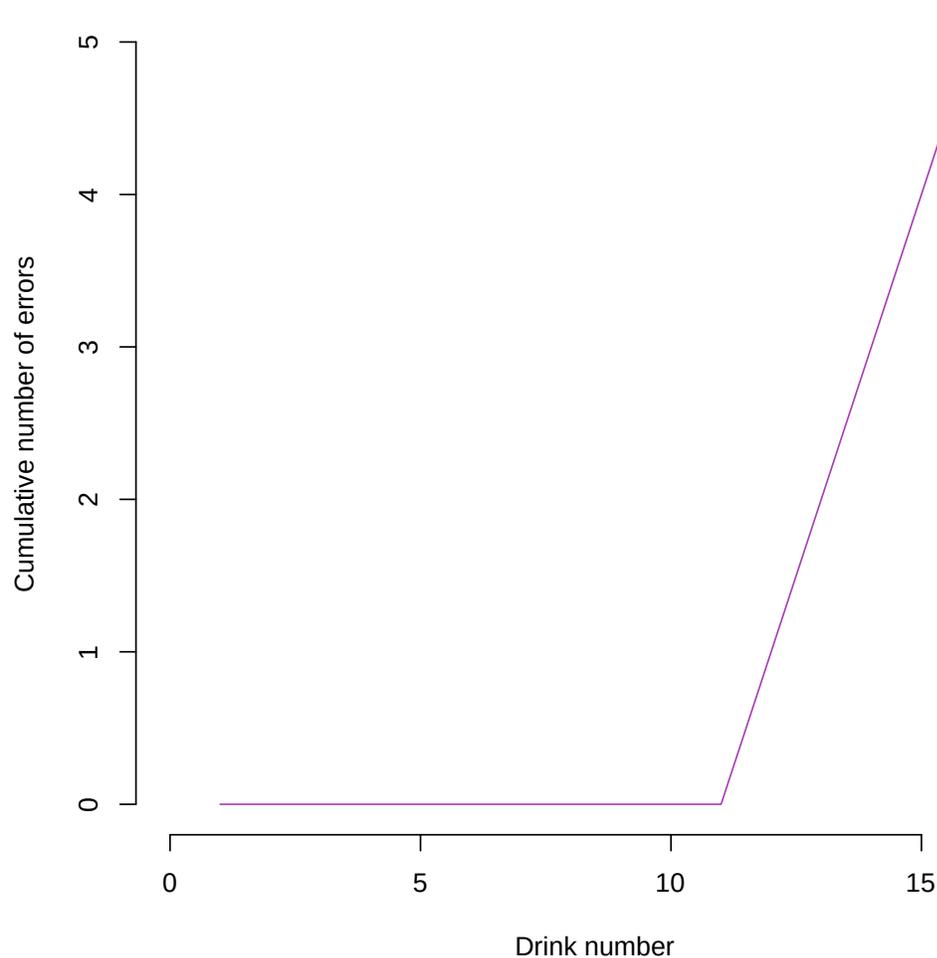
Rating - Alcohol correlation: 0.29 *Yumm!*

Rating - Price correlation: 0.53 *More money = more tasty!*

Loves the same sparkles: Faye, Kate, Steve

Hates your best bubbles: Colleen, Darby, Sam

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Faye

You love: Veuve du Vernay, G.H. Mumm, Freixinet

You hate: Martini, Spumante Bambino

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 4.2

Avg. rating of dry wines: 6

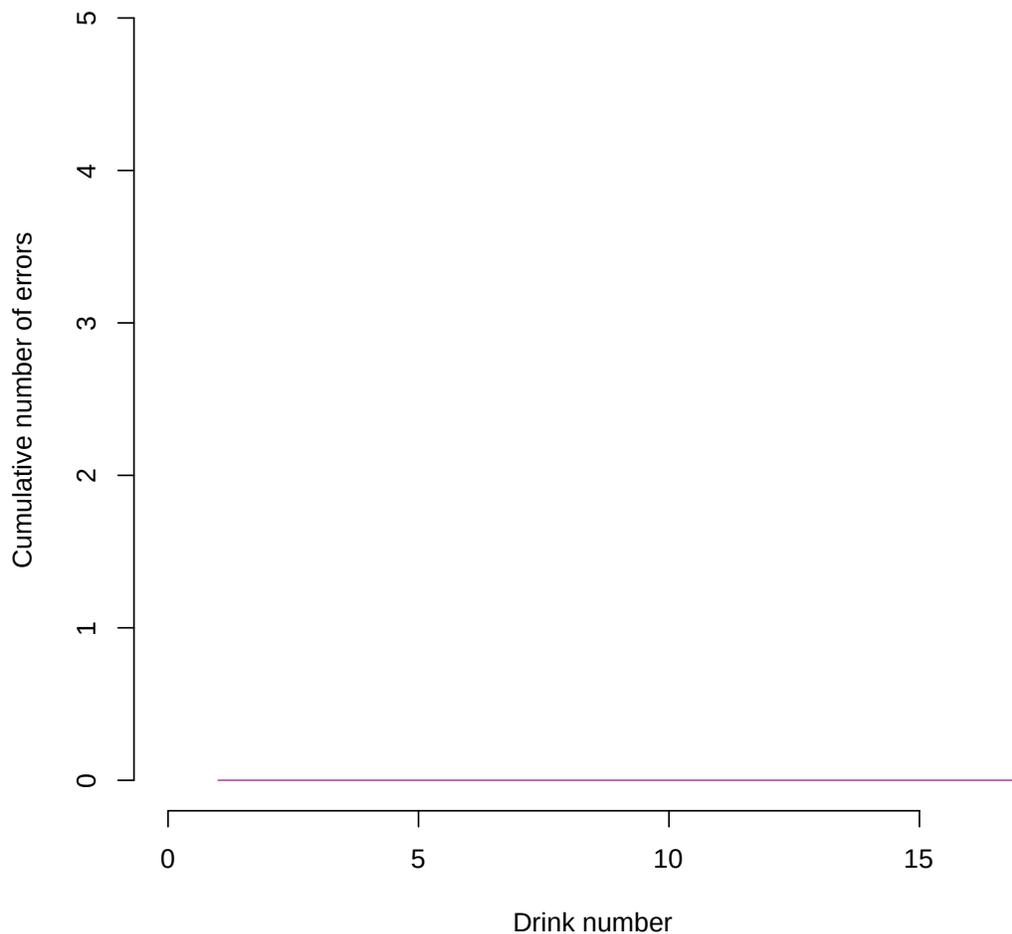
Rating - Alcohol correlation: 0.44 *Yumm!*

Rating - Price correlation: 0.25 *More money = more tasty!*

Loves the same sparkles: Kate, Maciek, Steve

Hates your best bubbles: Darby, Jeanne, Katie

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Jeanne

You love: Coseccha, Bollinger, Martini

You hate: G.H. Mumm, Baby Canadian, Hungaria, Baby Duck

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 5.4

Avg. rating of dry wines: 6.3

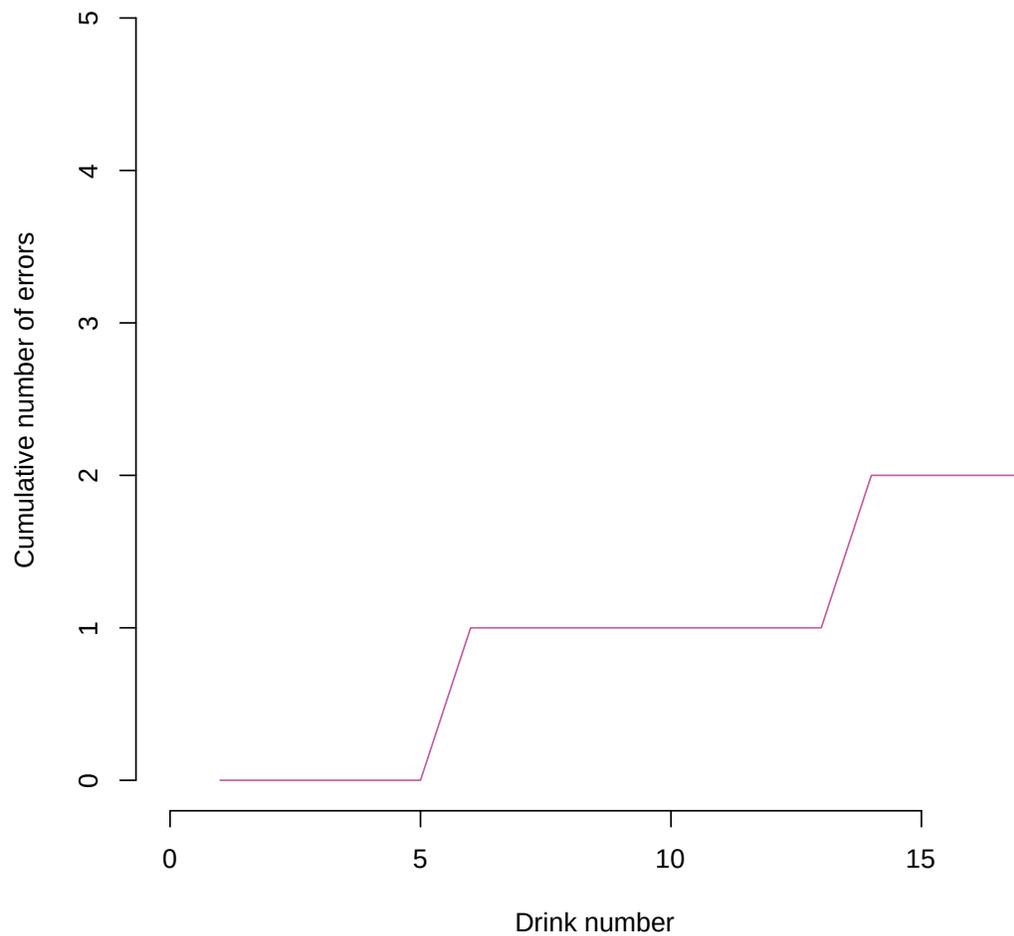
Rating - Alcohol correlation: 0.24 *Yumm!*

Rating - Price correlation: 0.11 *Who cares about price?*

Loves the same sparkles: Darby, Katie, Sam

Hates your best bubbles: Diana, Faye, Maciek

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Kate

You love: Minoetto, Veuve du Vernay, Hungaria

You hate: Martini, Spumante Bambino, Baby Duck

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 4

Avg. rating of dry wines: 7.78

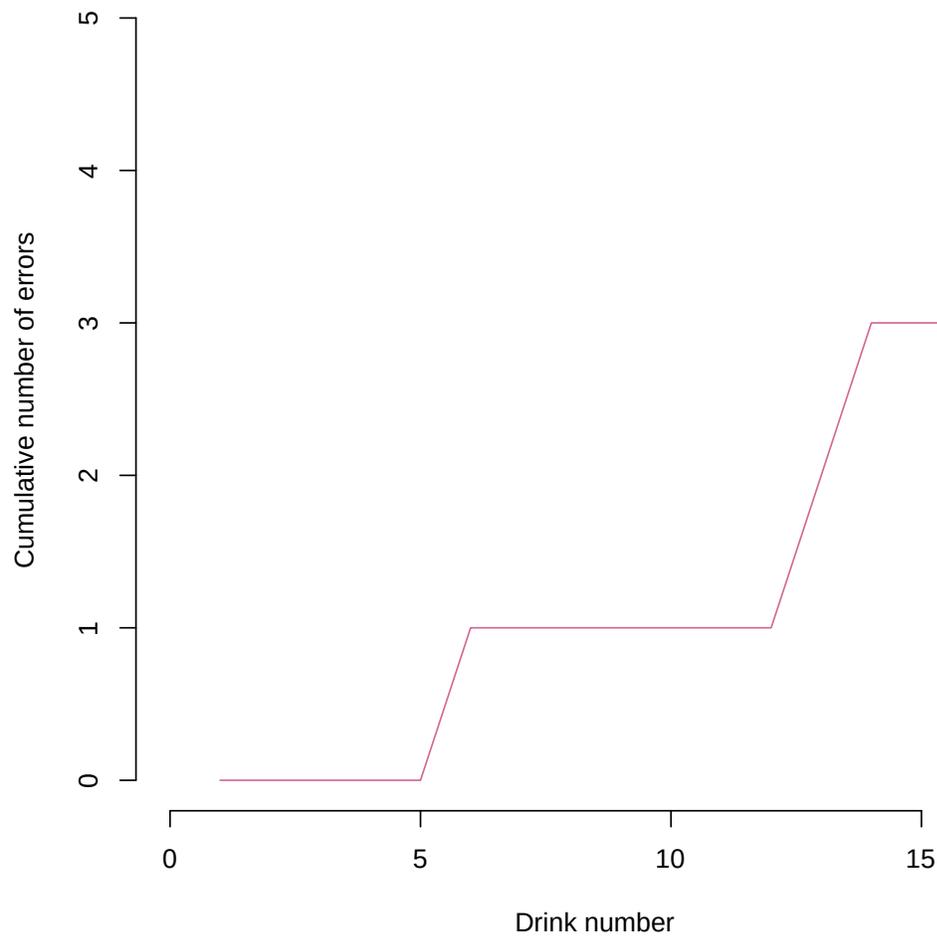
Rating - Alcohol correlation: 0.8 *Yumm!*

Rating - Price correlation: 0.32 *More money = more tasty!*

Loves the same sparkles: Faye, Maciek, Talia

Hates your best bubbles: Colleen, Darby, Sam

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Katie

You love: Baby Duck, Spumante Bambino

You hate: Bollinger, Canaletto, Hungaria, G.H. Mumm

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 9

Avg. rating of dry wines: 6.27

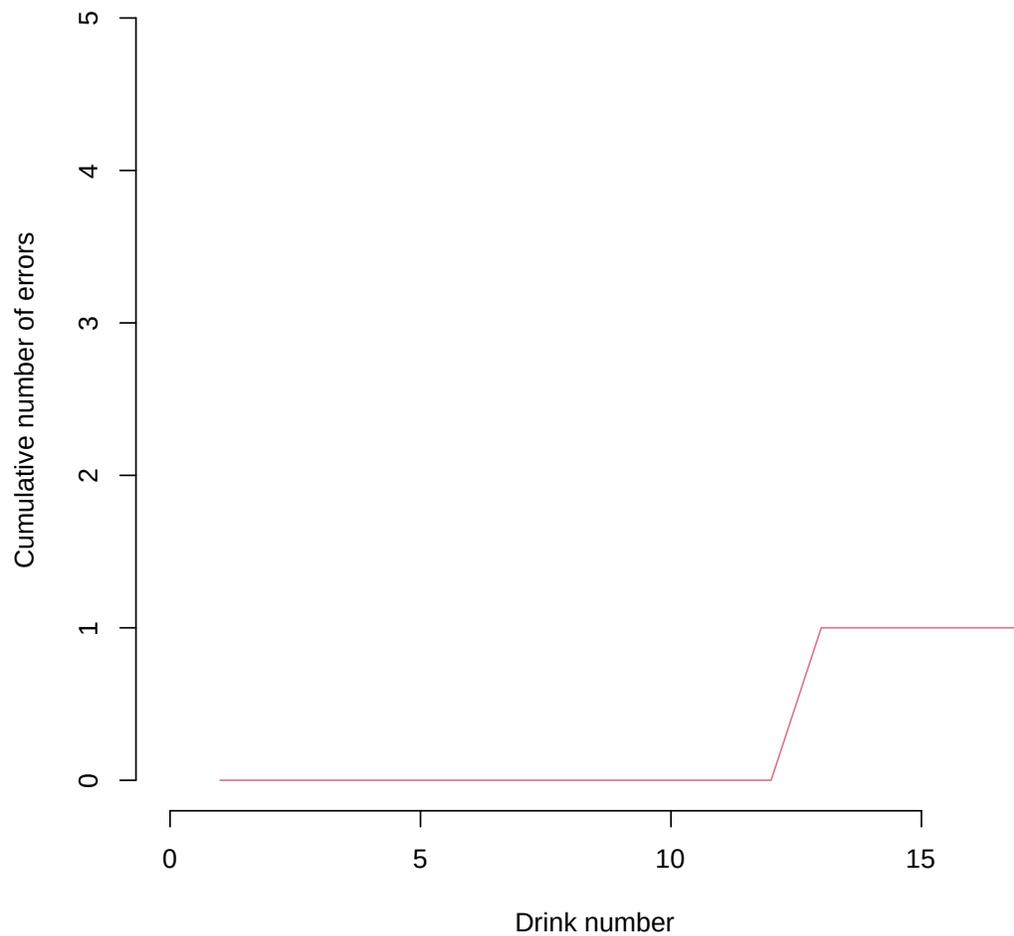
Rating - Alcohol correlation: -0.66 *Yuck!*

Rating - Price correlation: -0.67 *Cheaper is better!*

Loves the same sparkles: Colleen, Sam, Tess

Hates your best bubbles: Faye, Maciek, Steve

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Leslie

You love: Baby Duck, Villa Teresa, Spumante Bambino, Yellow Tail Bubbles

You hate: Coseccha, Henkell Trocken

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 8

Avg. rating of dry wines: 6

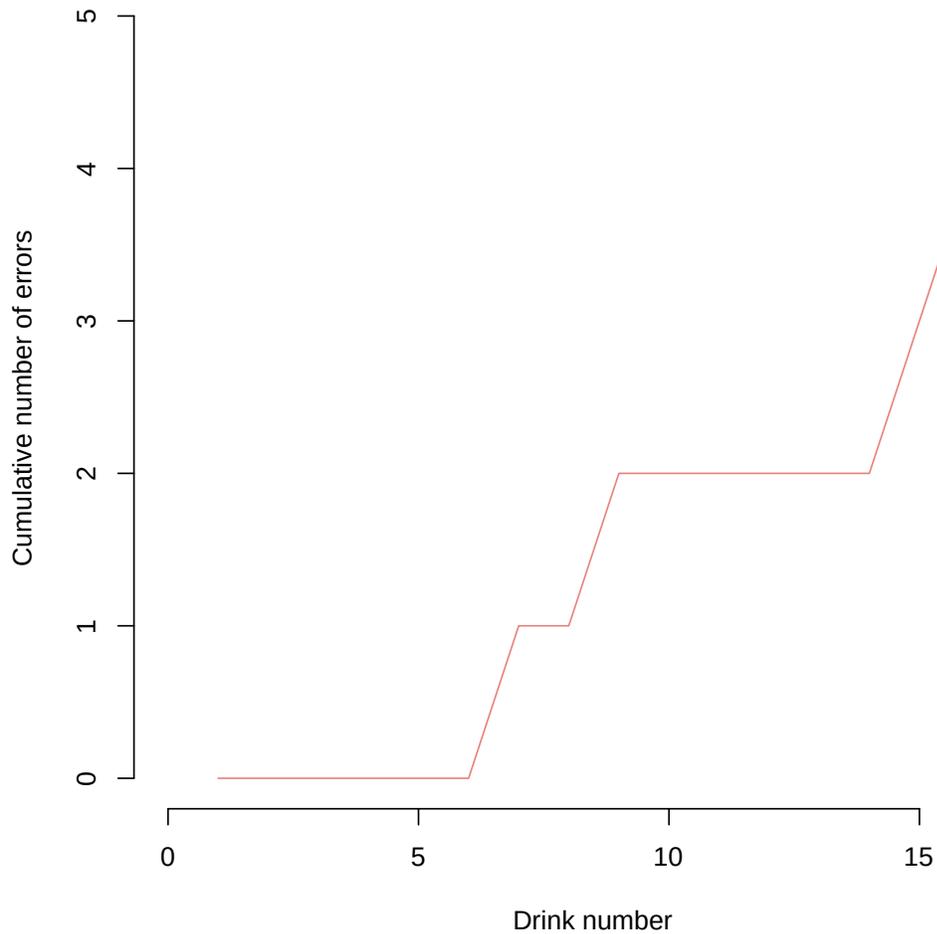
Rating - Alcohol correlation: -0.51 *Yuck!*

Rating - Price correlation: -0.27 *Cheaper is better!*

Loves the same sparkles: Colleen, Darby, Tess

Hates your best bubbles: Diana, Maciek, Steve

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Maciek

You love: Henkell Trocken, Hungaria, President

You hate: Martini, Freixinet, Yellow Tail Bubbles

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 5

Avg. rating of dry wines: 6.56

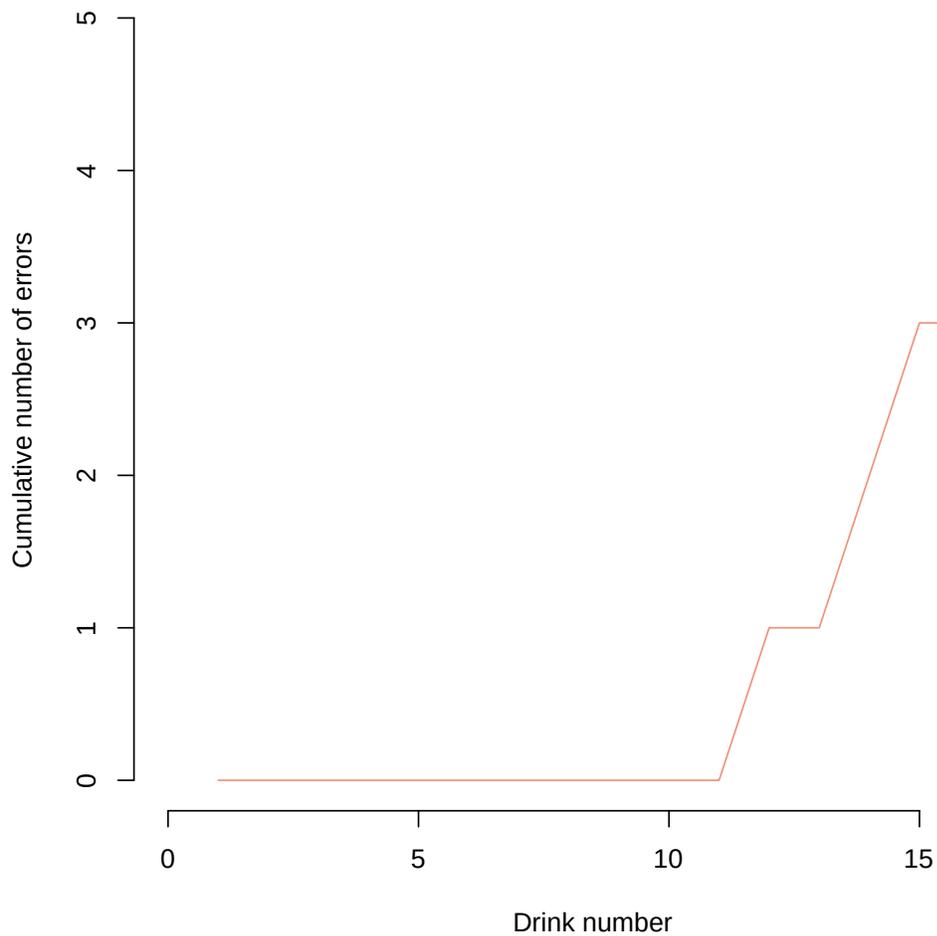
Rating - Alcohol correlation: 0.44 *Yumm!*

Rating - Price correlation: 0.25 *More money = more tasty!*

Loves the same sparkles: Faye, Kate, Steve

Hates your best bubbles: Colleen, Darby, Tess

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Sam

You love: Spumante Bambino

You hate: Hungaria, Veuve du Vernay, Bollinger, G.H. Mumm

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 7.2

Avg. rating of dry wines: 4.42

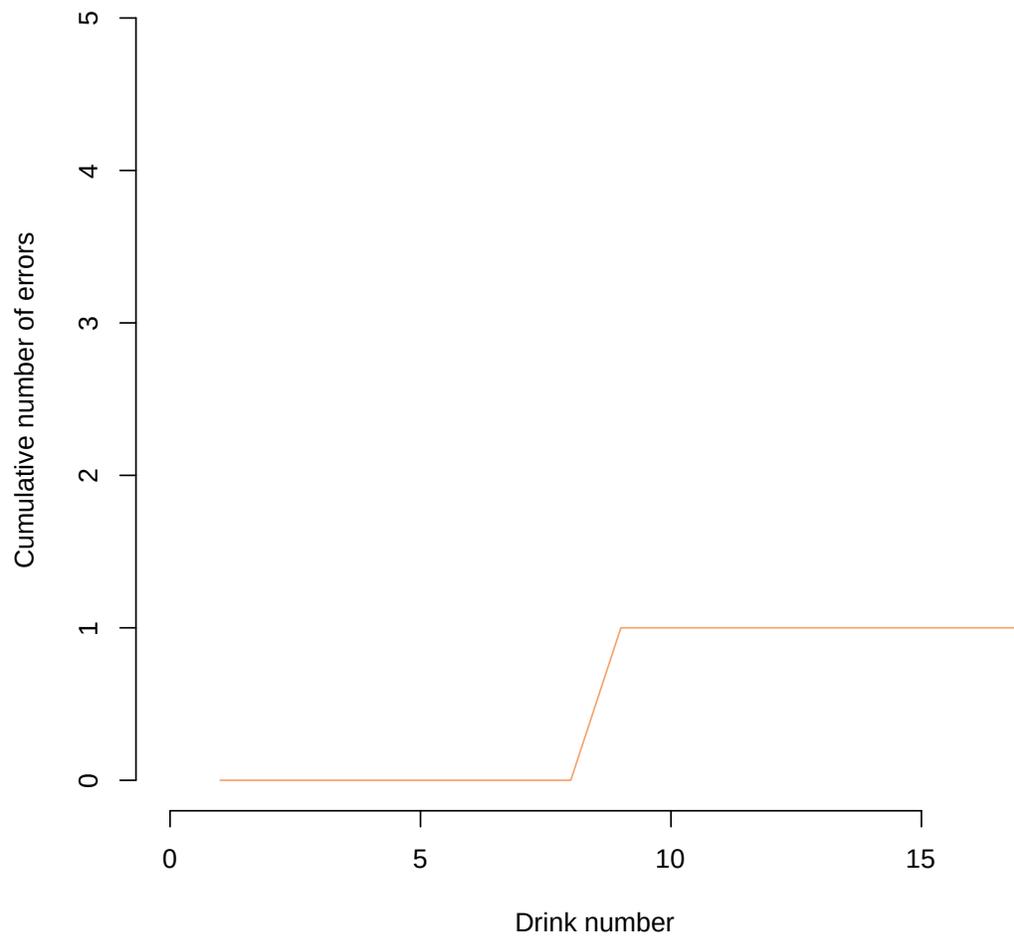
Rating - Alcohol correlation: -0.67 *Yuck!*

Rating - Price correlation: -0.49 *Cheaper is better!*

Loves the same sparkles: Colleen, Darby, Katie

Hates your best bubbles: Diana, Kate, Steve

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Steve

You love: Baby Canadian 2, Baby Canadian, Bollinger

You hate: Martini, Spumante Bambino, Yellow Tail Bubbles

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 5.8

Avg. rating of dry wines: 6.08

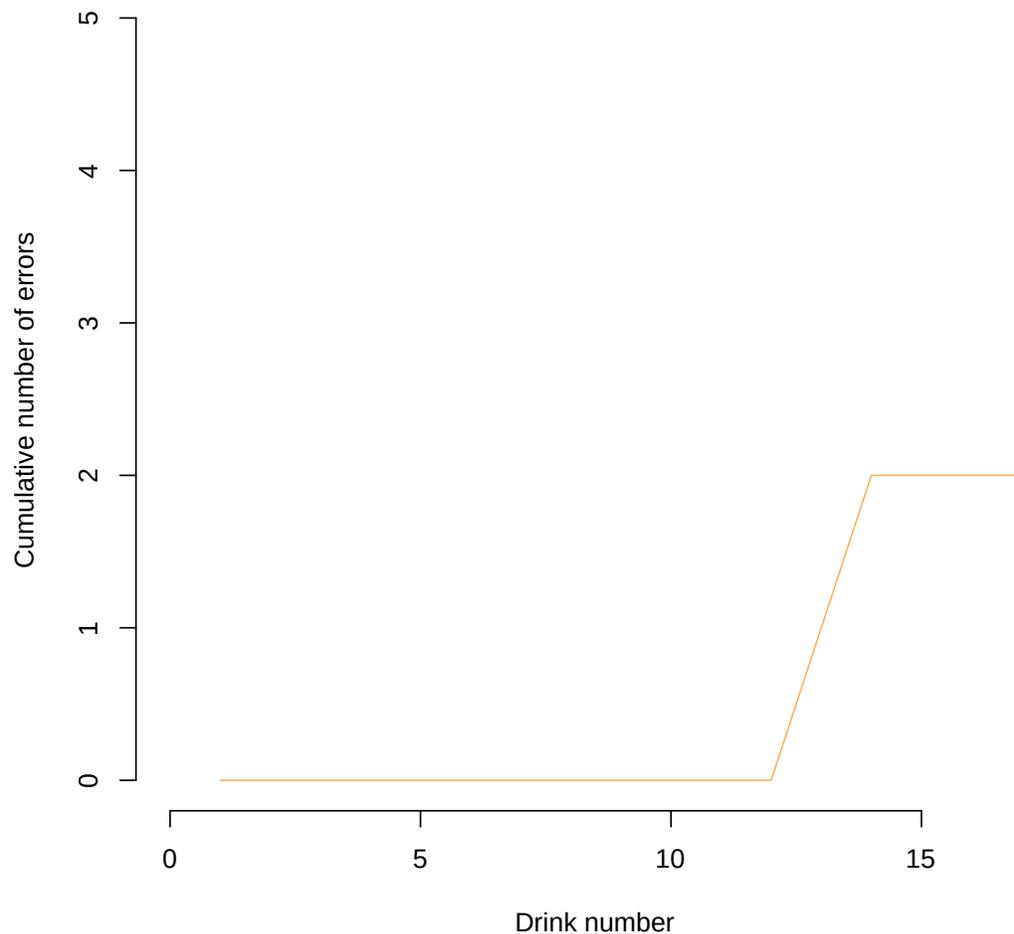
Rating - Alcohol correlation: 0.09 *Meh..*

Rating - Price correlation: 0.29 *More money = more tasty!*

Loves the same sparkles: Faye, Kate, Maciek

Hates your best bubbles: Colleen, Katie, Tess

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Talia

You love: Baby Canadian 2, Coseccha

You hate: Martini, G.H. Mumm

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 6.33

Avg. rating of dry wines: 7.4

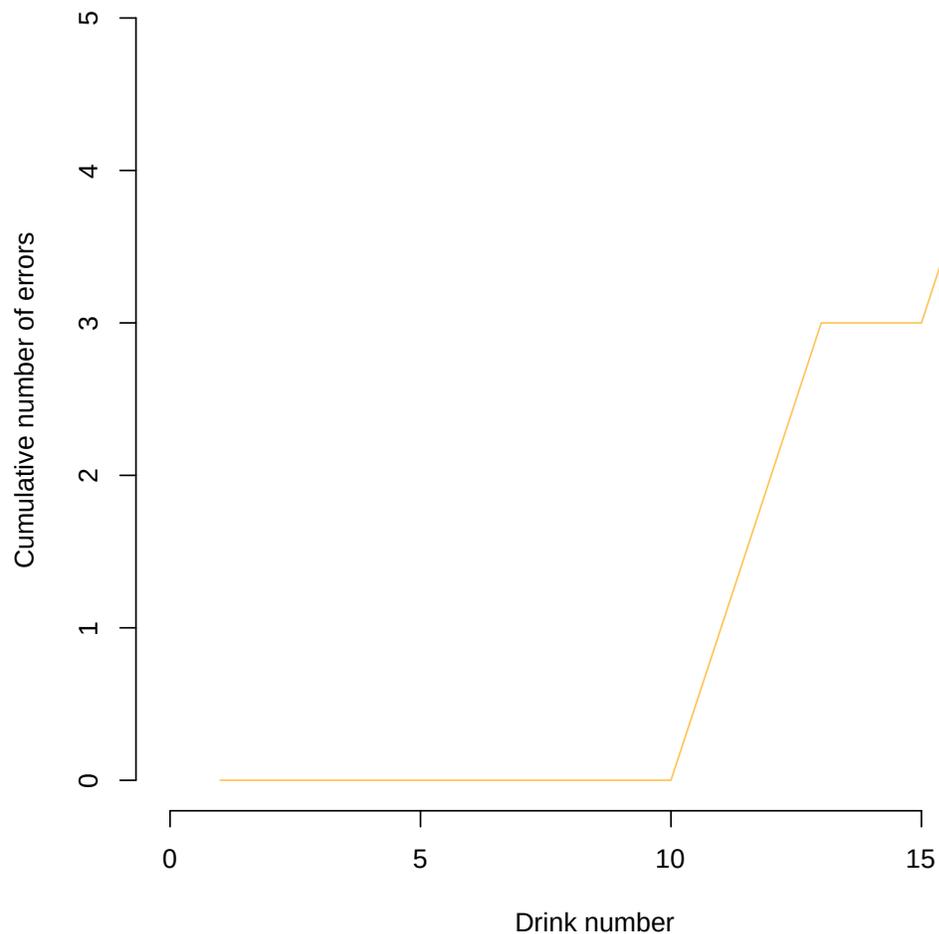
Rating - Alcohol correlation: 0.23 *Yumm!*

Rating - Price correlation: -0.33 *Cheaper is better!*

Loves the same sparkles: Faye, Kate, Maciek

Hates your best bubbles: Caroline, Colleen, Tess

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



Tess

You love: Baby Canadian 2, Baby Duck, Coseccha, Villa Teresa, Henkell Trocken, Baby Canadian, Spumante Bambino, Minoetto, Yellow Tail Bubbles, G.H. Mumm, Martini

You hate: Bollinger, President, Hungaria

Avg. rating of sweet wines: 10

Avg. rating of dry wines: 8.75

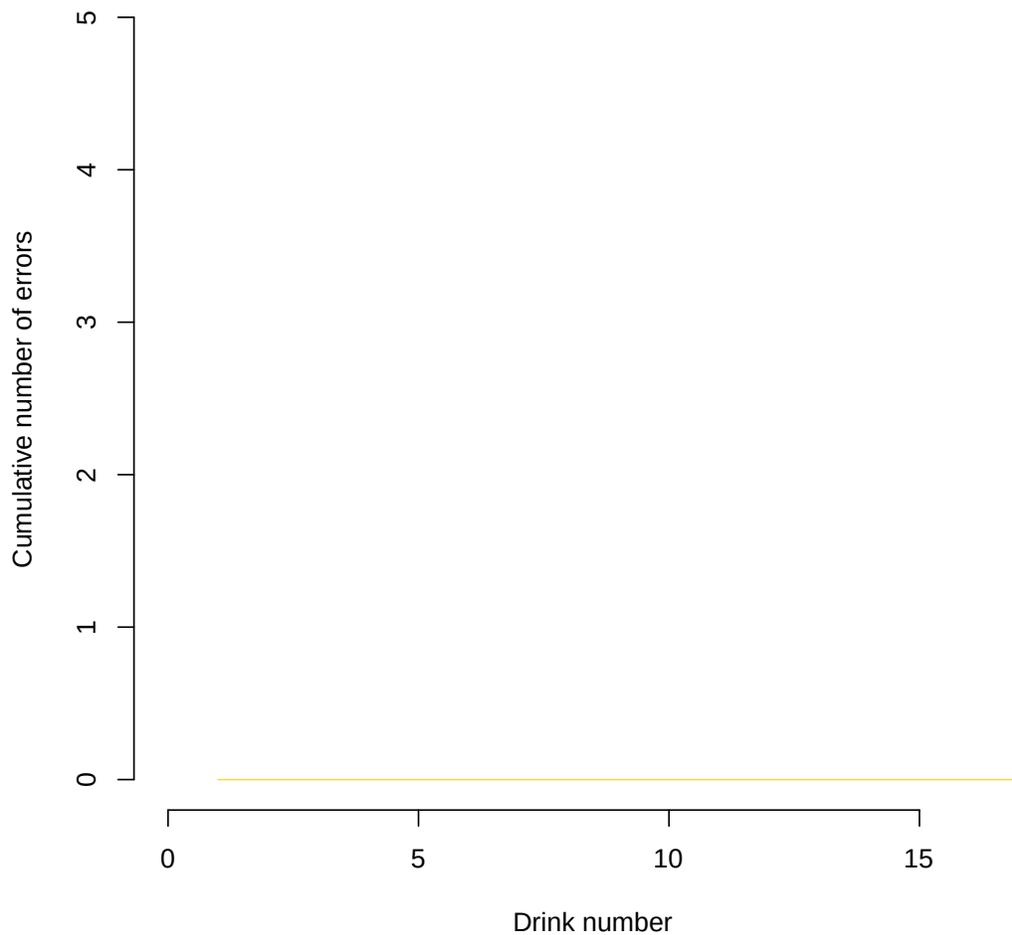
Rating - Alcohol correlation: -0.42 *Yuck!*

Rating - Price correlation: -0.53 *Cheaper is better!*

Loves the same sparkles: Colleen, Darby, Katie

Hates your best bubbles: Kate, Maciek, Steve

Cummulative data entry errors per drink:



The sparkling beverages

Each beverage is in the order they were drunk.

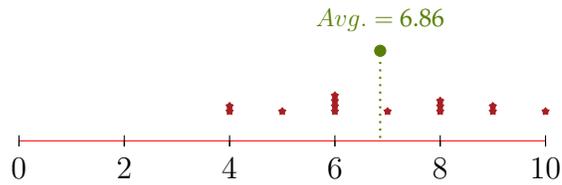
The lovers/haters are those individuals whose rating for this wine was one standard deviation above/below their own average rating.

Turns out preserving emojis through a $CSV \rightarrow R \rightarrow \text{\LaTeX} \rightarrow PDF$ compilation chain is a whole thing. Thanks for the challenge!

Canaletto

Prosecco

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Dry
Country: Italy
Alcohol: 11%
Price/750ml: \$18.84



Loves these bubbles:

Darby

Hates this spume:

Katie

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 14%
High Alcohol: 50%

Our pretentious comments:

Perfect amounts of bubbles

Yum

Has a bitter aftertaste like a sour apple

Like having sex with a grapefruit

Very dry. Light in flavour. Unassuming. Also uninteresting.

Too smooth

Tastes like New Years Eve.

Ooh it tingles!

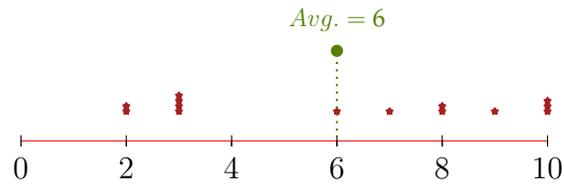
Pretty good not bad

Bof!

Martini

Asti

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Sweet
Country: Italy
Alcohol: 7%
Price/750ml: \$14.56



Loves these bubbles:

Caroline
Colleen
Darby
Jeanne

Hates this spume:

Diana
Faye
Kate
Maciek
Steve
Talia

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 7%
High Alcohol: 14%

Our pretentious comments:

Fabulous

Sweet

Tastes like moscato d'asti! Super sweet!

Too sweet

Saccharine. Tastes like someone forgot to ferment it.

Very sweet and lots of small Bubble. I like it! :B

The Canada Dry of champagnes

Tickles my tongue with sweetness

Sweet like honey

Is that fake fruit flavor chemicals I'm detecting?

Way too saweet

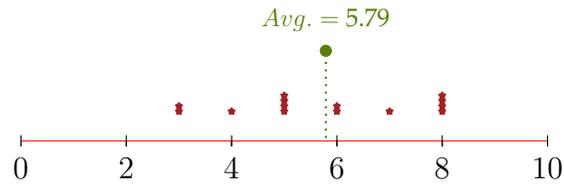
Yuuuuuummm

Very sweet. Suitable for children.

Bollinger

Special Cuvée Brut

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Dry
Country: France
Alcohol: 12%
Price/750ml: \$75.47



Loves these bubbles:

Diana
Jeanne
Steve

Hates this spume:

Colleen
Katie
Sam
Tess

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 57%
High Alcohol: 93%

Our pretentious comments:

Very tart oh em gee

Do dry. So basic. Is it bleach in my mouth? Delicious!!

Dry

Not too sweet. Crémant?

Great

Like being beaten to death with dried orange peel and bubbles

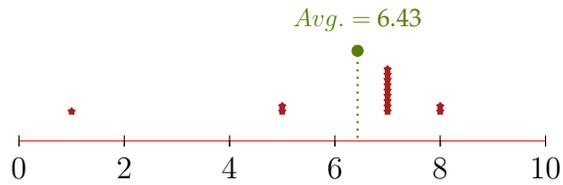
Tastes more watery and dry. Not very sweet

A classy brut

Dry. Does not linger. It is what it is.

President
Dry Sparkling

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Dry
Country: Canada
Alcohol: 12%
Price/750ml: \$13.72



Loves these bubbles:

Maciek

Hates this spume:

Diana
Tess

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 21%
High Alcohol: 64%

Our pretentious comments:

No bubbles

Very drinkable, could have five!

Meh. Kinda bland

Could be one of my faves!

Dry, a bit more flavour than the previous two dry ones. Drinkable, casually pleasant.

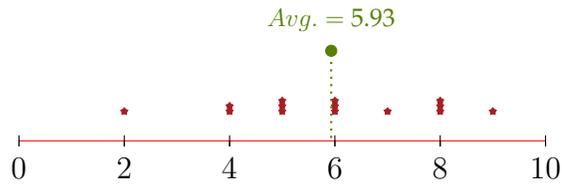
Overall avvvverage

A five alarm fire in an orange warehouse

Ratings

Hungaria

Grande Cuvée Brut



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Dry
Country: Hungary
Alcohol: 12%
Price/750ml: \$14.53



Loves these bubbles:

Diana
Kate
Maciek

Hates this spume:

Colleen
Darby
Jeanne
Katie
Sam
Tess

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 29%
High Alcohol: 50%

Our pretentious comments:

Bitter aftertaste. Lingers on the tongue.

Alright

Very effervescent

Dry, but not too dry. I like it

Very good

Dry, light, effervescent, inoffensive.

Bitter

All bubbles, nothing else

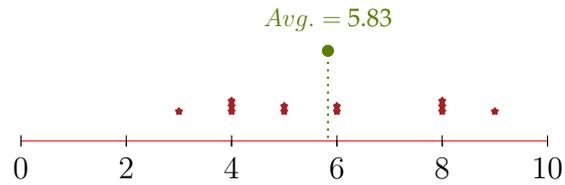
Bubbles

Didn't like it. Was in a bitter conversation

Freixinet

Cava

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Dry
Country: Spain
Alcohol: 12%
Price/750ml: \$16.12

Loves these bubbles:

Faye

Hates this spume:

Maciek

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 50%
High Alcohol: 58%



Our pretentious comments:

Boring from the very first sip

Gentle, tingly bubbles. Dry. Very drinkable. If I had one critique, it could use a bit more flavour.

I'm not sure I'm gonna make it

Too much pouring

Grapefruit liquor

Good

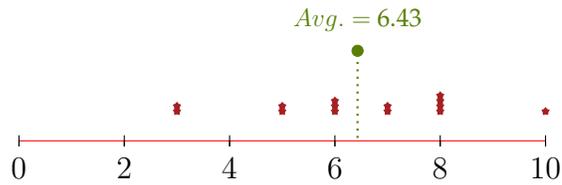
Nothing special

Flat

G.H. Mumm

Brut

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Dry
Country: France
Alcohol: 12%
Price/750ml: \$50.92



Loves these bubbles:

Diana
Faye

Hates this spume:

Jeanne
Katie
Sam
Talia

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 43%
High Alcohol: 50%

Our pretentious comments:

Cat piss

Drinkable, but unexciting

Nothing special. They're all starting to taste the same

Auroma was the finest

Clearly Dom Pérignon '53. An excellent vintage.

Meh.

Okay! Not bad. A lil dry for me.

Hisssssss

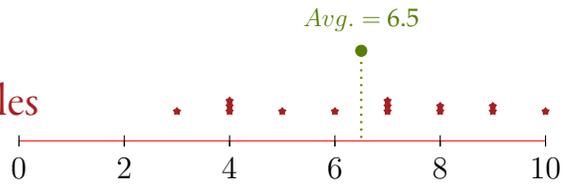
Love bubbles

Full-bodied. On the cusp between dry and sweet. Mostly dry though.

Ratings

Yellow Tail Bubbles

Sparkling



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Dry
Country: Australia
Alcohol: 12%
Price/750ml: \$14.99



Loves these bubbles:

Darby
Leslie

Hates this spume:

Maciek
Steve

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 14%
High Alcohol: 50%

Our pretentious comments:

I mean, it fizzes just fine, but the flavor is a bit bitter and unexciting.

Explosive! Bomber!

Bitter

Like driving the ITH at high speed

Baby duck?

Is it maybe even a little too dry? I like dry, but this one lingers a bit too much. Well now it tastes a bit sweet. Damn. I'm only halfway through. No, dry, I'm sticking with dry.

Fruity and nice amount of bubbles

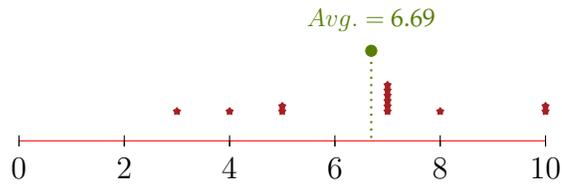
To sw33t

Quite dry.

Minoetto

Prosecco

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Dry
Country: Italy
Alcohol: 11%
Price/750ml: \$23.11

Loves these bubbles:

Kate

Hates this spume:

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 31%
High Alcohol: 62%



Our pretentious comments:

Dry (but not the driest). I like it, it's well balanced

A bit sweet. It's okay. I don't hate it but I don't love it.

Can't recall

Tastes chill, like your housemate who is unfazed by your weird parents coming to stay for a few days.

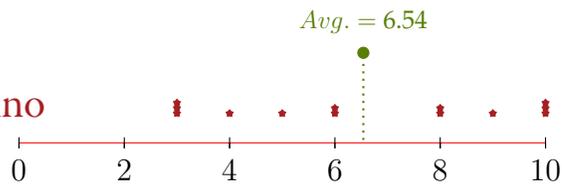
Not a lot of bubbles. Seems like more of a wine than a champagne

At this point I'm just chewing orange peel

Ratings

Spumante Bambino

Sparkling



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Sweet
Country: Canada
Alcohol: 7%
Price/750ml: \$11.57



Loves these bubbles:

Colleen
Katie
Leslie
Sam

Hates this spume:

Faye
Kate
Steve

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 8%
High Alcohol: 23%

Our pretentious comments:

Ice wine no bubbles

Yummy

Very sweet. Better than the other sweet one, or maybe I'm just drunker. Still not great. It's like candy. But maybe there's a time and a place for this. I just don't know what it is. The circus?

Red squirrel in the morning

Alllllll za bubbles

Tastes suspiciously like fruit juice.

My favourite

Decent

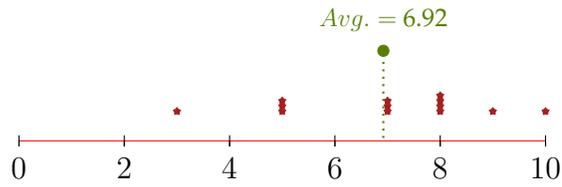
The sweet and tangy notes tingle all of my taste buds

Can't even remember

Very sweet. Holly phoque.

Baby Canadian
Sparkling

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Sweet
Country: Canada
Alcohol: 7%
Price/750ml: \$11.25



Loves these bubbles:

Steve

Hates this spume:

Jeanne

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 38%
High Alcohol: 38%

Our pretentious comments:

So damn sweet

Fairly sweet, but flavourful. Drinkable at least.

I don't remember a thing.

This will give you heartburn after 3 glasses

Tastes so good!

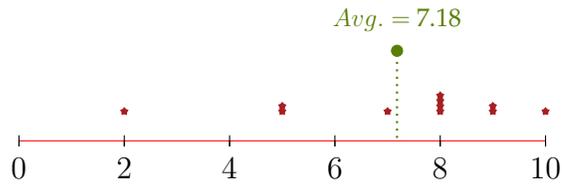
Tasty expensive

Pretty tasty??

Ratings

Veuve du Vernay

Brut



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Dry
Country: France
Alcohol: 11%
Price/750ml: \$17.62

Loves these bubbles:

Caroline
Faye
Kate

Hates this spume:

Sam

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 45%
High Alcohol: 64%

Our pretentious comments:

Crisp, clean. Slightest hint of sweetness. I think this is my favourite so far.

Why would anyone pay money for this?

Dry but refreshing

I'm not mad about it.....

Make the bad man stop.

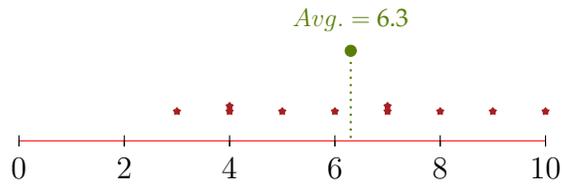
Dry, dry, dry, not my fave

I don't remember either. I promise I'll be careful next time.

Ratings

Henkell Trocken

Dry Sparkling



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Dry
Country: Germany
Alcohol: 12%
Price/750ml: \$15.45



Loves these bubbles:

Maciek

Hates this spume:

Leslie

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 20%
High Alcohol: 50%

Our pretentious comments:

Really have no idea, but it wasn't the best

The bubbles are huge. more dry I'd Say, but m'y taste is fucked.

Not that best, but good.

"I could not live without Champagne. In victory I deserve it. In defeat I need it."
– Winston Churchill, 1946

I think this one is my favorite, it's so hard to taste-remember anymore.



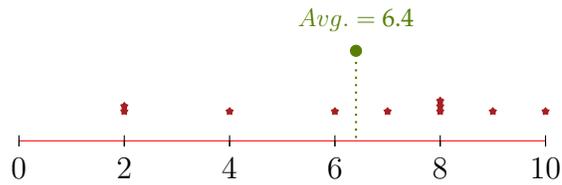
Tastes like all of the others...

A bit sweet.

Villa Teresa

Prosecco

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: Rosé
Type: Dry
Country: Italy
Alcohol: 11%
Price/750ml: \$22.8



Loves these bubbles:

Leslie

Hates this spume:

Caroline
Darby

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 40%
High Alcohol: 40%

Our pretentious comments:

Meh



Excellent. Love it.

A bit of a bitter aftertaste. Pretty meh. Dry-ish, but it's becoming hard to tell.

I am a fish. I am a fish. I am a fish.

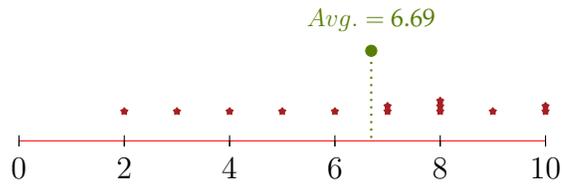
Goooooooooooooood

Woof.

Coseccha

Brut

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: Rosé
Type: Dry
Country: Argentina
Alcohol: 12%
Price/750ml: \$20.82



Loves these bubbles:

Colleen
Jeanne
Talia

Hates this spume:

Caroline
Darby
Leslie

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 46%
High Alcohol: 46%

Our pretentious comments:

Smooth like butta

V v v v gpod

Gross. Dont like it. Thanks.

Inspector Jacques Clouseau

Please tell what this is, it's my fav

A champagne that murmurs in the glass
like a wave flowing up the beach.

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Stringent - also very pink

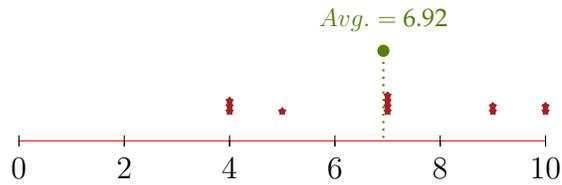
A bit sweet, but not offensively so. It's okay.

It's pink <3

How drunk am I?

Baby Duck
Sparkling

Ratings



Terroir:

Grape: Rosé
Type: Sweet
Country: Canada
Alcohol: 7%
Price/750ml: \$12.56



Loves these bubbles:

Caroline
Katie
Leslie

Hates this spume:

Colleen
Darby
Jeanne
Kate

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 17%
High Alcohol: 33%

Our pretentious comments:

Tastes plastic-esque

Tastes like red cordial

Yooooo! Red. Amazing. Perfection.

Beurk

Too sweet, and big bubble

I'm not sure what this is, but it's okay

Sweet like juice. A bit tart. A nice dessert champagne.

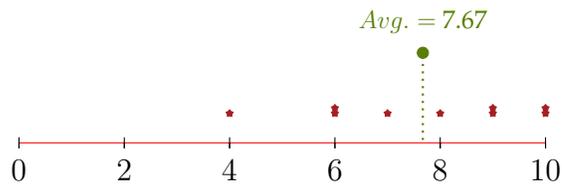
Tastes like strawberries :)

So pink it's red. Also ++ sweet

Ratings

Baby Canadian 2

Sparkling



Terroir:

Grape: White
Type: Sweet
Country: Canada
Alcohol: 7%
Price/750ml: \$11.25



Loves these bubbles:

Darby
Steve
Talia

Hates this spume:

We guessed it's:

Expensive: 33%
High Alcohol: 44%

Our pretentious comments:

My fav

No, you pretentious comments!

YeeeeeeeeA

I think this is the same as before

Both divine and decadent.

Très sucré..c'est bon n, mais s ça.doit tomber sur le cœur

Easy to drink

I don't even know any more. Somewhat sweet. Mid-sweet.