

MSCS 264: Homework #2

Due Friday, Feb 17 at 11pm

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This homework covers more of Ch3: Data Visualization.

Refer back to in-class Rmd `ch3_2_facet_geoms_labs.Rmd` (and possibly `ch3_1_ggplot_geom_point_aesthetics.Rmd`)

Change the author above to your name. Save a copy of this Rmd to your submit folder.

The code below will add the data from the `gapminder` package. Notice that the second line creates our dataset, `gapminder07` which includes data from only the year 2007! (preview of Ch 5!)

```
library(tidyverse)

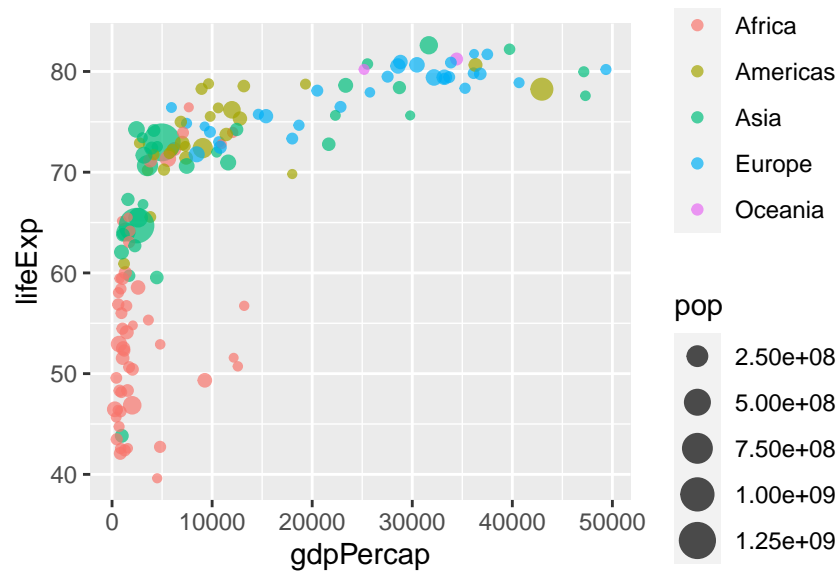
## -- Attaching packages ----- tidyverse 1.3.2 --
## v ggplot2 3.3.6      v purrr   0.3.4
## v tibble  3.1.7      v dplyr   1.0.9
## v tidyr   1.2.0      v stringr 1.4.0
## v readr   2.1.2      v forcats 0.5.1
## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()    masks stats::lag()

library(gapminder)
gapminder07 <- filter(gapminder, year == 2007)
```

Type `?gapminder` in your console to see the definitions of the variables.

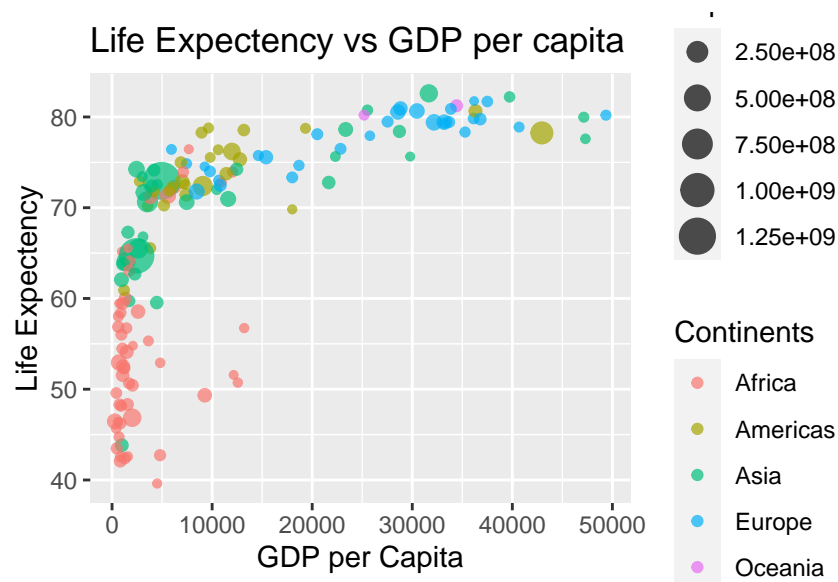
1. In the Homework > images folder, open “hw2_gapminder_plot”. Use the `gapminder07` dataset to make this plot. (It’s a lot, I know! Start by finding example code for a scatterplot; then build up: start with the x and y axis, then add more aesthetics.)

```
ggplot(gapminder07, aes(x = gdpPercap, y = lifeExp, color = continent)) +
  geom_point(aes(size = pop), alpha = .7)
```



2. Use `labs` to modify the labels on the x and y axis, the size and color legends, and add a title to the graph you made in #1.

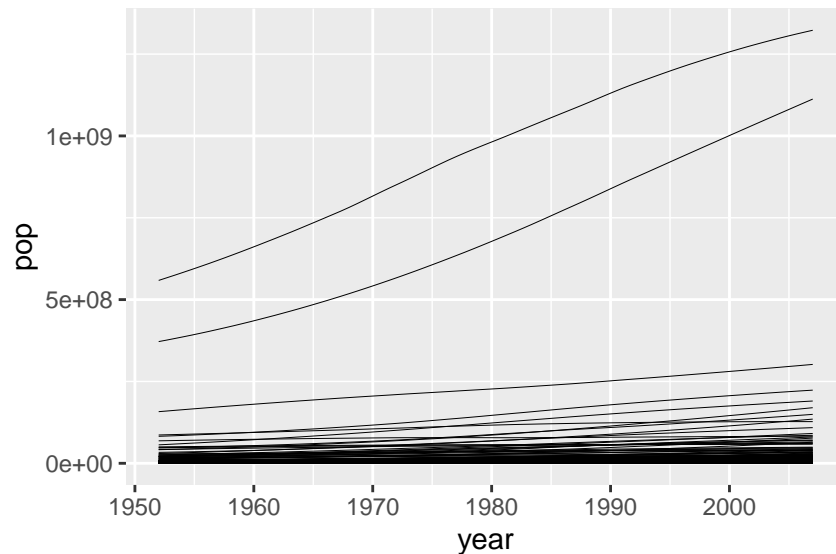
```
ggplot(gapminder07, aes(x = gdpPerCap, y = lifeExp, color = continent)) +
  geom_point(aes(size = pop), alpha = .7) +
  labs(title = "Life Expectancy vs GDP per capita", color = "Continents", size = "Population") +
  xlab("GDP per Capita") +
  ylab("Life Expectancy")
```



3. Modify the code in the graph below so that the lines are thinner, are colored black, and there is no gray uncertainty band behind each line.

```
ggplot(gapminder, aes(x = year, y = pop)) +
  geom_smooth(aes(group = country), color = "black", se = FALSE, size = 0.1)
```

```
## 'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula 'y ~ x'
```



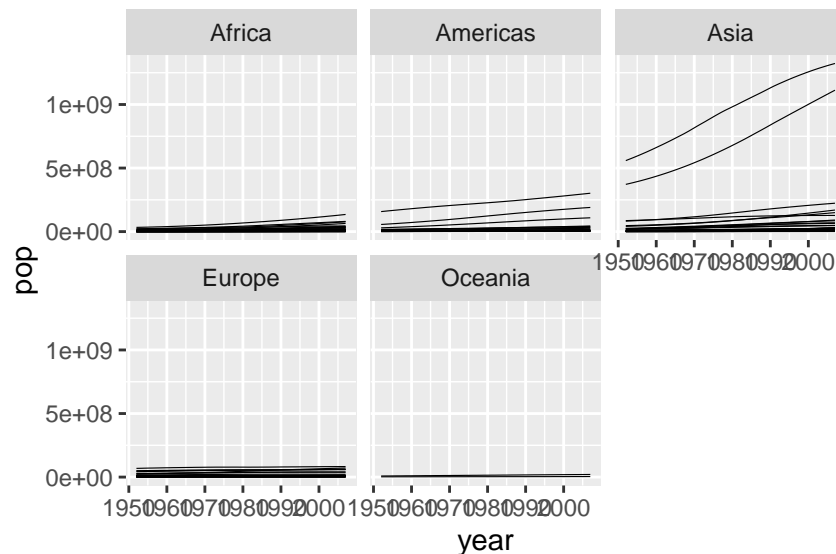
4. Why might we prefer `group = country` in the code above, rather than `color = country`?

Ans: In `geom_smooth` for this data if we use `color = country` then we will only have one line trying to represent a trend in the all country data. But when we use `group = country` we get one smooth line for each country as a group.

5. Modify your plot above so that each continent is plotted separately.

```
ggplot(gapminder, aes(x = year, y = pop)) +
  geom_smooth(aes(group = country), color = "black", se = FALSE, size = 0.2) +
  facet_wrap(~ continent, nrow = 2)
```

'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula 'y ~ x'



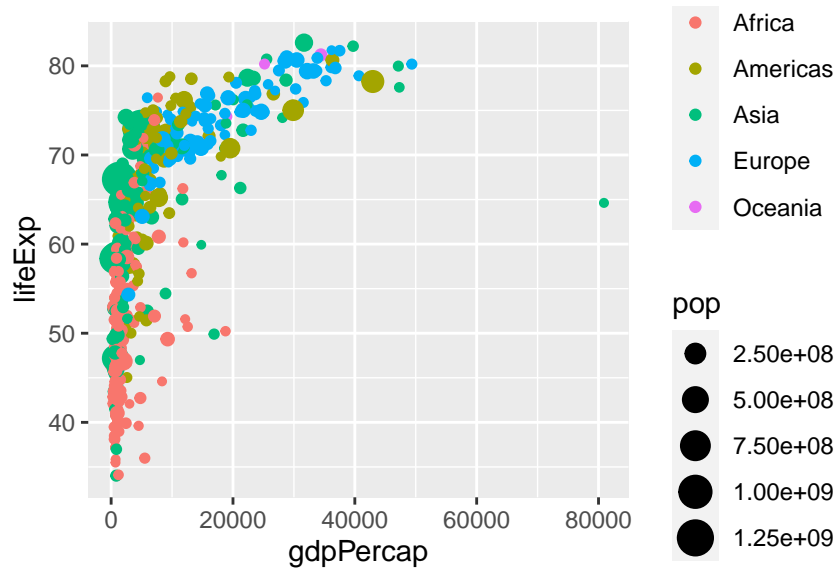
6. Write 2 sentences about what you learn about how population has changed over time from your graph in #5.

Ans: We can see a significant increase in the population in Asia and Americas and a little rise in Africa. But the population is close to stationary in Europe and Oceania.

6. Using the gapminder2 dataset, create a scatterplot that has gdpPercap as the explanatory variable and lifeExp as the response variable.

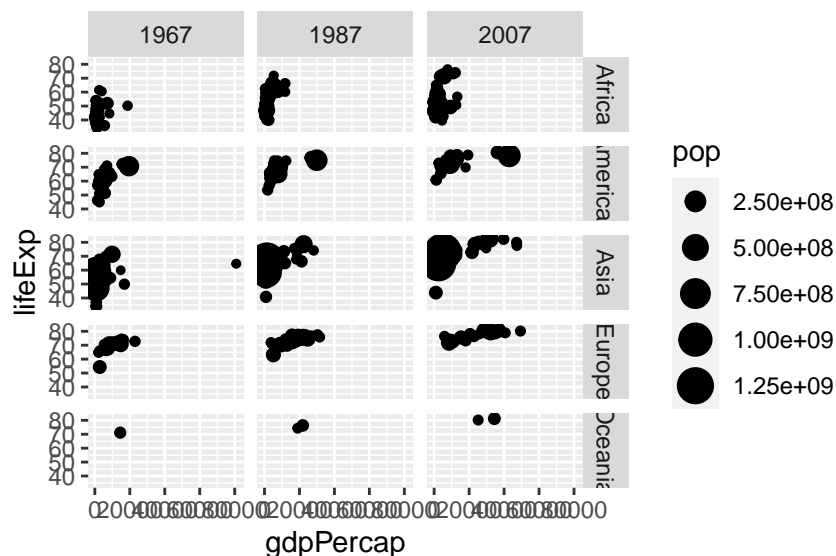
```
gapminder2 <- filter(gapminder, year %in% c(1967, 1987, 2007))
```

```
ggplot(gapminder2, aes(x = gdpPercap, y = lifeExp)) +  
  geom_point(aes(size = pop, color = continent))
```



7. Modify your code above to create a grid of scatterplots. Each row of plots should be a continent, and column should indicate year. (note that we have filtered the data to include only the years 1967, 1987 and 2007)

```
ggplot(gapminder2, aes(x = gdpPercap, y = lifeExp)) +  
  geom_point(aes(size = pop)) +  
  facet_grid(continent ~ year) +  
  labs(color = FALSE)
```



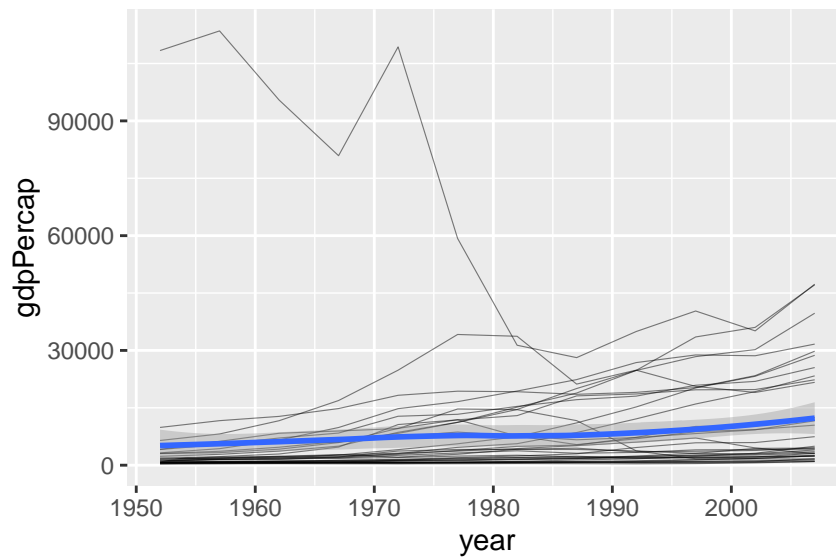
8. Modify the code below so that we have one gray line per country and a single blue smooth overall. See

Homework > images > hw2_gdp_asia.png

```
gapminder_asia <- filter(gapminder, continent == "Asia")

ggplot(gapminder_asia, aes(x = year, y = gdpPercap)) +
  geom_line(aes(group = country), size = 0.2, alpha = 0.5) +
  geom_smooth(aes(x = year, y = gdpPercap))

## 'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula 'y ~ x'
```

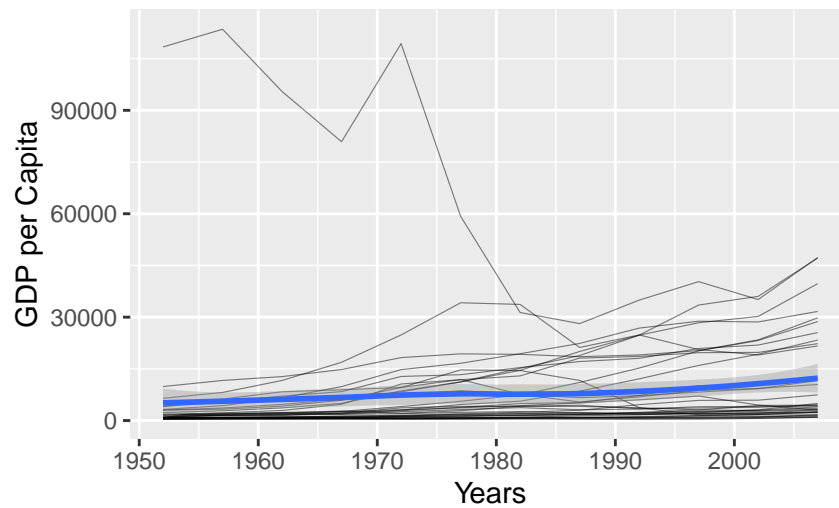


9. Add meaningful axis labels and a title to your plot above.

```
ggplot(gapminder_asia, aes(x = year, y = gdpPercap)) +
  geom_line(aes(group = country), size = 0.2, alpha = 0.5) +
  geom_smooth(aes(x = year, y = gdpPercap))+
  labs(title = "GDP per capita of countries from 1950-2000+") +
  xlab("Years") +
  ylab("GDP per Capita")

## 'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula 'y ~ x'
```

GDP per capita of countries from 1950–2000+

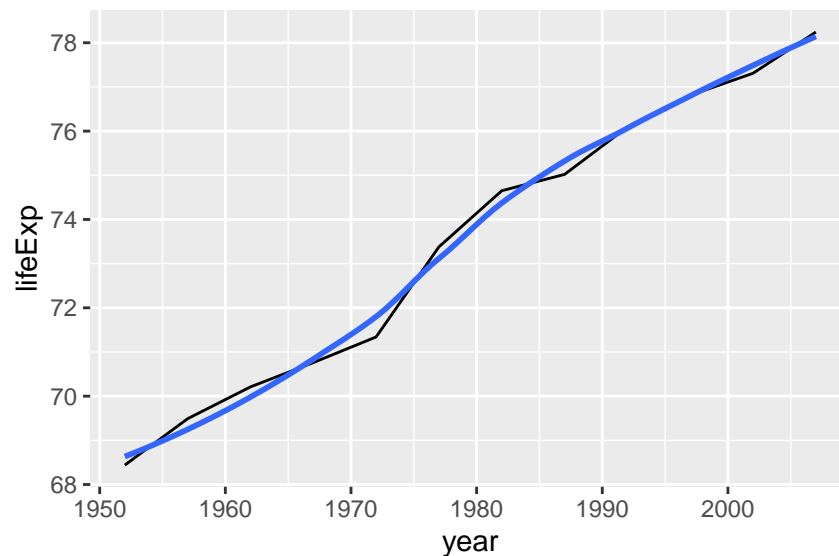


10. How do you think `geom_line` differs from `geom_smooth`? Use the example below to help you:

```
gapminder_usa <- filter(gapminder, country == "United States")

ggplot(gapminder_usa, aes(x = year, y = lifeExp)) +
  #geom_point() +
  geom_line() +
  geom_smooth(se = FALSE)
```

'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula 'y ~ x'



Ans: `Geom_smooth` tries to find a trend and makes the line more smooth whereas `geom_line` just connects the data points and creates lines.