# Assignment 09: Data Scraping

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## Total points:

#### **OVERVIEW**

This exercise accompanies the lessons in Environmental Data Analytics on data scraping.

#### Set up

- 1. Set up your session:
- Check your working directory
- Load the packages tidyverse, rvest, and any others you end up using.
- Set your ggplot theme

```
#1
getwd()
```

## [1] "/Users/Lsy/Box Sync/Duke/spring2022/872-EDA/GitRepository/Environmental\_Data\_Analytics\_2022"

- 2. We will be scraping data from the NC DEQs Local Water Supply Planning website, specifically the Durham's 2020 Municipal Local Water Supply Plan (LWSP):
- Navigate to https://www.ncwater.org/WUDC/app/LWSP/search.php
- Change the date from 2021 to 2020 in the upper right corner.
- Scroll down and select the LWSP link next to Durham Municipality.
- Note the web address: https://www.ncwater.org/WUDC/app/LWSP/report.php?pwsid=03-32-010&year=2019 Indicate this website as the URL to be scraped. (In other words, read the contents into an rvest webpage object.)

```
#2
DurhamURL <- read html("https://www.ncwater.org/WUDC/app/LWSP/report.php?pwsid=03-32-010&year=2020")</pre>
```

- 3. The data we want to collect are listed below:
- From the "1. System Information" section:
- Water system name
- PSWID

- Ownership
- From the "3. Water Supply Sources" section:
- Max Daily Use (MGD) for each month

In the code chunk below scrape these values, assigning them to three separate variables.

HINT: The first value should be "Durham", the second "03-32-010", the third "Municipality", and the last should be a vector of 12 numeric values, with the first value being 36.0100.

```
water.system.name <- DurhamURL %>%
  html_nodes("div+ table tr:nth-child(1) td:nth-child(2)") %>%
  html_text()
pswid <- DurhamURL %>%
  html_nodes("div+ table tr:nth-child(1) td:nth-child(5)") %>%
  html_text()
ownership <- DurhamURL %>%
  html_nodes("div+ table tr:nth-child(2) td:nth-child(4)") %>%
  html_text()
max.withdrawals.mgd <- DurhamURL %>%
  html_nodes("th~ td+ td") %>%
  html_text()
```

4. Convert your scraped data into a dataframe. This dataframe should have a column for each of the 4 variables scraped and a row for the month corresponding to the withdrawal data. Also add a Date column that includes your month and year in data format. (Feel free to add a Year column too, if you wish.)

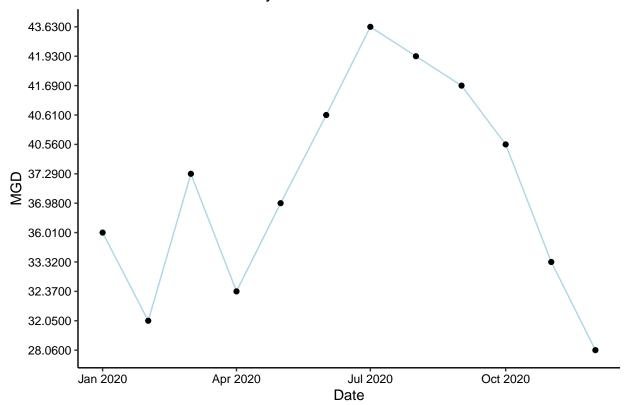
TIP: Use rep() to repeat a value when creating a dataframe.

NOTE: It's likely you won't be able to scrape the monthly widthrawal data in order. You can overcome this by creating a month column in the same order the data are scraped: Jan, May, Sept, Feb, etc...

5. Plot the max daily withdrawals across the months for 2020

```
#4
DWaterData <- data.frame("SystemName"=rep(water.system.name,12),"PSWID"=rep(pswid,12),"Ownership"=rep(o
DWaterData$Date <- ym(with(DWaterData,paste(Year,Month,sep="-")))
#5
ggplot(data = DWaterData,aes(x = Date,y = MGD,group=1))+
    geom_line(color="lightblue")+
    geom_point()+
    ggtitle("Max daily withdrawals in Durham 2020")</pre>
```

## Max daily withdrawals in Durham 2020



6. Note that the PWSID and the year appear in the web address for the page we scraped. Construct a function using your code above that can scrape data for any PWSID and year for which the NC DEQ has data. Be sure to modify the code to reflect the year and site scraped.

```
#6.
waterscraping <- function(siteID, Year){</pre>
  try(if(class(siteID)!="character") stop("Need siteID as string"))
  if (Year==2020) {
  URL <- read_html(paste("https://www.ncwater.org/WUDC/app/LWSP/report.php?pwsid=", siteID,sep = ""))</pre>
  }
  else {
  URL <- read_html(paste("https://www.ncwater.org/WUDC/app/LWSP/report.php?pwsid=", siteID, "&year=", Y</pre>
  water.system.name <- URL %>%
    html_nodes("div+ table tr:nth-child(1) td:nth-child(2)") %>%
    html_text()
  pswid <- URL %>%
    html_nodes("div+ table tr:nth-child(1) td:nth-child(5)") %>%
    html text()
  ownership <- URL %>%
    html_nodes("div+ table tr:nth-child(2) td:nth-child(4)") %>%
    html_text()
  max.withdrawals.mgd <- URL %>%
    html_nodes("th~ td+ td") %>%
    html_text()
  WaterData <- data.frame("SystemName"=rep(water.system.name, 12), "PSWID"=rep(pswid, 12), "Ownership"=rep(
  WaterData$Date <- ym(with(WaterData,paste(Year,Month,sep="-")))</pre>
```

```
return(WaterData)
}
```

7. Use the function above to extract and plot max daily withdrawals for Durham (PWSID='03-32-010') for each month in 2015

```
#7
Durham15<- waterscraping(siteID = '03-32-010',2015)
Durham15</pre>
```

```
##
                     PSWID
                              Ownership
      SystemName
                                            MGD Month Year
                                                                  Date
## 1
          Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 40.2500
                                                     1 2015 2015-01-01
## 2
          Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 53.1700
                                                     5 2015 2015-05-01
## 3
          Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 40.0300
                                                     9 2015 2015-09-01
## 4
          Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 43.5000
                                                     2 2015 2015-02-01
## 5
          Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 57.0200
                                                     6 2015 2015-06-01
         Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 38.7200
## 6
                                                    10 2015 2015-10-01
## 7
          Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 43.1000
                                                     3 2015 2015-03-01
## 8
          Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 41.6500
                                                     7 2015 2015-07-01
## 9
         Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 43.5500
                                                    11 2015 2015-11-01
          Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 49.6800
## 10
                                                     4 2015 2015-04-01
          Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 44.7000
## 11
                                                     8 2015 2015-08-01
## 12
          Durham 03-32-010 Municipality 48.7500
                                                    12 2015 2015-12-01
```

8. Use the function above to extract data for Asheville (PWSID = 01-11-010) in 2015. Combine this data with the Durham data collected above and create a plot that compares the Asheville to Durham's water withdrawals.

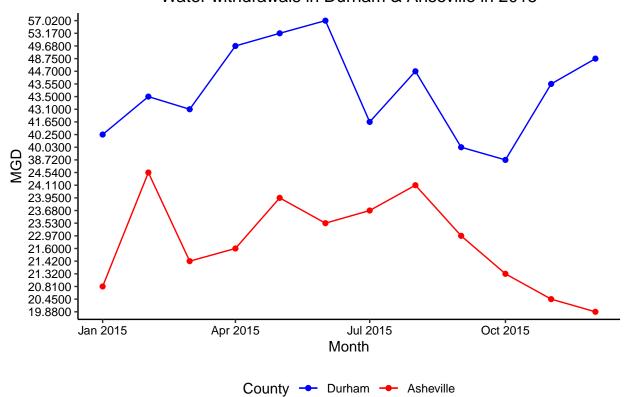
```
#8
Asheville15<- waterscraping(siteID = '01-11-010',2015)
Asheville15
```

```
##
      SystemName
                     PSWID
                              Ownership
                                            MGD Month Year
## 1
       Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 20.8100
                                                    1 2015 2015-01-01
       Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 23.9500
                                                     5 2015 2015-05-01
       Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 22.9700
                                                     9 2015 2015-09-01
## 3
## 4
       Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 24.5400
                                                     2 2015 2015-02-01
## 5
      Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 23.5300
                                                     6 2015 2015-06-01
## 6
      Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 21.3200
                                                    10 2015 2015-10-01
## 7
       Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 21.4200
                                                     3 2015 2015-03-01
      Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 23.6800
## 8
                                                     7 2015 2015-07-01
       Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 20.4500
                                                   11 2015 2015-11-01
## 10 Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 21.6000
                                                     4 2015 2015-04-01
       Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 24.1100
                                                    8 2015 2015-08-01
## 12 Asheville 01-11-010 Municipality 19.8800
                                                    12 2015 2015-12-01
DurAsh15 <- full_join(Durham15,Asheville15)</pre>
```

## Joining, by = c("SystemName", "PSWID", "Ownership", "MGD", "Month", "Year", "Date")

```
geom_point(aes(x = Date,y = MGD.Asheville,color="red"))+
geom_line(aes(x = Date,y = MGD.Asheville,color="red",group=1))+
labs(title = "Water withdrawals in Durham & Ahseville in 2015", x = "Month", y = "MGD", color = "Counscale_color_manual(labels = c("Durham", "Asheville"),values = c("blue","red"))
```

### Water withdrawals in Durham & Ahseville in 2015



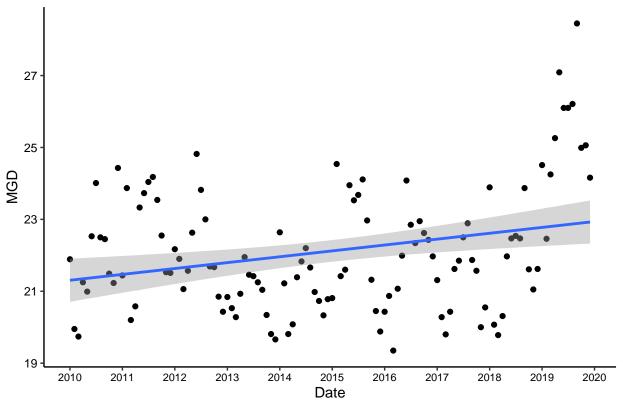
9. Use the code & function you created above to plot Asheville's max daily withdrawal by months for the years 2010 thru 2019.Add a smoothed line to the plot.

```
Ash10 <- waterscraping('01-11-010',2010)
Ash11 <- waterscraping('01-11-010',2011)
Ash12 <- waterscraping('01-11-010',2012)
Ash13 <- waterscraping('01-11-010',2013)
Ash14 <- waterscraping('01-11-010',2014)
Ash15 <- waterscraping('01-11-010',2015)
Ash16 <- waterscraping('01-11-010',2016)
Ash17 <- waterscraping('01-11-010',2017)
Ash18 <- waterscraping('01-11-010',2018)
Ash19 <- waterscraping('01-11-010',2019)
Ash1019 <- rbind(Ash10, Ash11, Ash12, Ash13, Ash14, Ash15, Ash16, Ash17, Ash18, Ash19)
Ash1019$MGD <- as.numeric(Ash1019$MGD)
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
ggplot(data = Ash1019, aes(x = Date, y = MGD))+
  geom_point()+
  geom_smooth(method = lm)+
  scale_x_date(date_labels = "%Y",date_breaks = "1 year")+
  labs(title = "Asheville's max daily withdrawal by months, 2010~2019")+
```

```
theme(axis.text.x = element_text(size = 8))
```

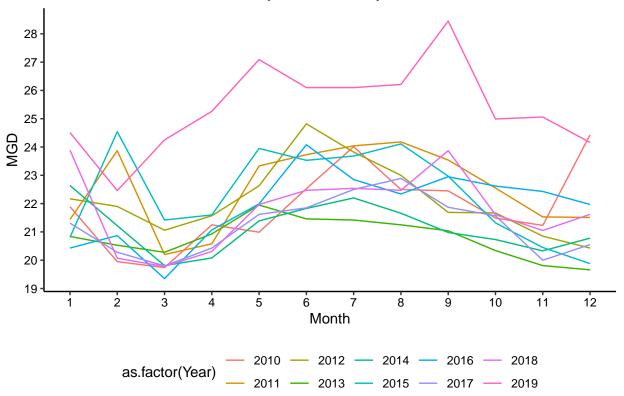
##  $geom_smooth()$  using formula 'y ~ x'

## Asheville's max daily withdrawal by months, 2010~2019



```
ggplot(data = Ash1019)+
  geom_line(aes(x = Month, y = MGD, group=Year,color=as.factor(Year)))+
  scale_y_continuous(breaks = seq(19, 29, by = 1))+
  scale_x_continuous(breaks = seq(1, 12, by = 1))+
  labs(title = "Asheville's max daily withdrawal by months, 2010~2019")
```





Question: Just by looking at the plot (i.e. not running statistics), does Asheville have a trend in water usage over time?

**Answer**: Asheville has a increasing trend in water usage over years and also has a seasonal trend within each year.