

Exploring the Palmer Penguins Dataset

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Introduction



In this report, we explore the Palmer Penguins data-set, which contains measurements of penguins from three species observed on islands in Antarctica.

We will:

- Inspect the structure of the data
- Summarize key variables
- Visualize GPA-like outcomes using a boxplot (body mass by species)

Data preview

First 6 rows

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 8
##   species island   bill_length_mm bill_depth_mm flipper_length_mm body_mass_g
##   <fct>   <fct>           <dbl>          <dbl>            <int>        <int>
## 1 Adelie   Torgersen       39.1           18.7             181        3750
```

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## 2 Adelie Torgersen      39.5      17.4      186      3800
## 3 Adelie Torgersen      40.3       18      195      3250
## 4 Adelie Torgersen      NA        NA       NA       NA
## 5 Adelie Torgersen      36.7      19.3      193      3450
## 6 Adelie Torgersen      39.3      20.6      190      3650
## # i 2 more variables: sex <fct>, year <int>

```

Data Wrangling

Some variables contain missing values.

For this analysis, we will focus on observations with non-missing body mass.

```

## # A tibble: 6 x 2
##   species body_mass_g
##   <fct>     <int>
## 1 Adelie     3750
## 2 Adelie     3800
## 3 Adelie     3250
## 4 Adelie     3450
## 5 Adelie     3650
## 6 Adelie     3625

```

Summary Statistics

Let's compute the average body mass by species.

```

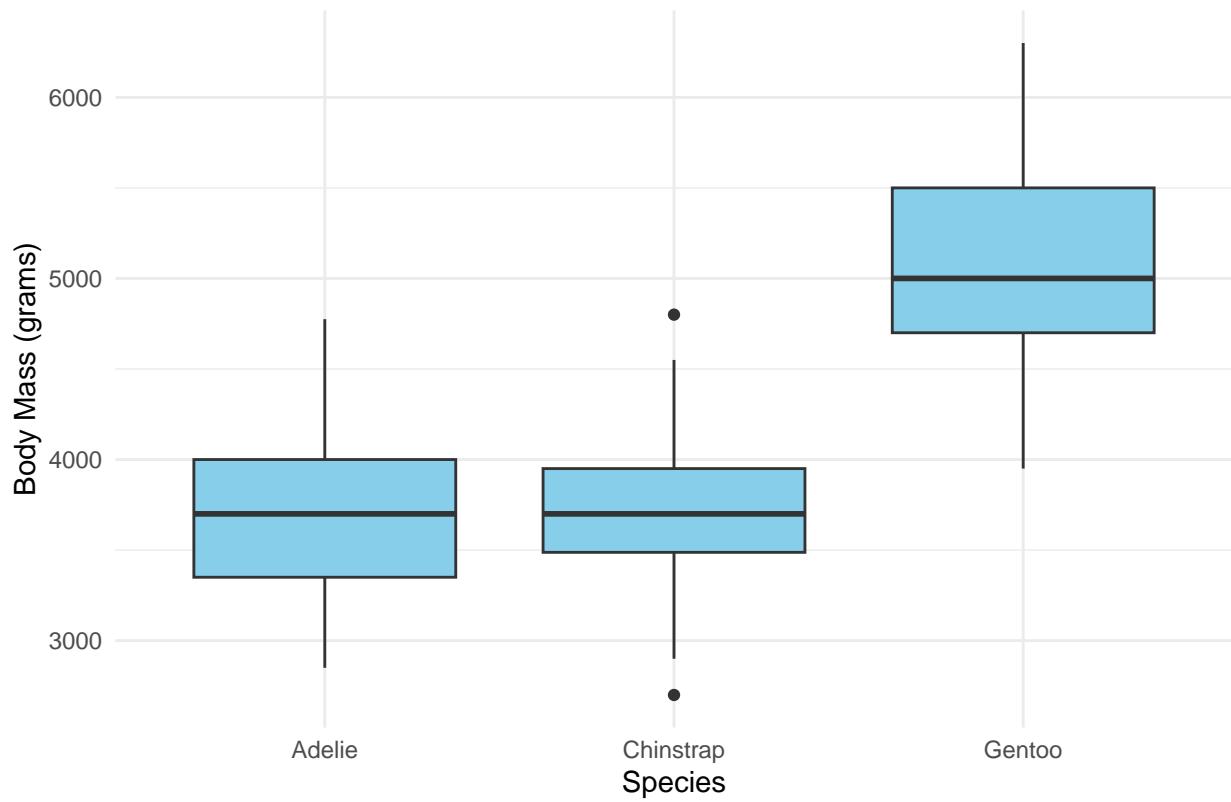
## # A tibble: 3 x 4
##   species   mean_body_mass   sd_body_mass individuals
##   <fct>         <dbl>        <dbl>      <int>
## 1 Adelie      3701.        459.       151
## 2 Chinstrap    3733.        384.       68
## 3 Gentoo      5076.        504.      123

```

Visualization: Body Mass by Species

We now visualize the distribution of body mass for each penguin species using a **boxplot**.

Distribution of Penguin Body Mass by Species



Message to communicate:

Gentoo species have highest body mass.

What else?