

Summative Assessment Section A

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1. (Q1) Data Loading and Exploration

Step 1: Loading Required Libraries

Before loading the data, we need to load the necessary library.

```
# Load Tidyverse library
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## — Attaching core tidyverse packages — tidyverse 2.0.0 —
## ✓ dplyr      1.1.4      ✓ readr      2.1.5
## ✓ forcats    1.0.0      ✓ stringr    1.5.1
## ✓ ggplot2    3.5.1      ✓ tibble     3.2.1
## ✓ lubridate  1.9.3      ✓ tidyr      1.3.1
## ✓ purrr      1.0.2
## — Conflicts — tidyverse_conflicts() —
## ✖ dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## ✖ dplyr::lag()     masks stats::lag()
## i Use the conflicted package (<http://conflicted.r-lib.org/>) to force all conflicts to become errors
```

Step 2: Load CSV Files into Data Frames

We need to load the three datasets (`debt_data.csv` , `country_data.csv` , and `indicator_data.csv`) into data frames called `debt_df` , `country_df` , and `indicator_df` , respectively.

```
# Load the CSV files into data frames
debt_df <- read_csv("debt_data.csv")
```

```
## Rows: 13824 Columns: 63
## — Column specification —
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (2): Country.Code, Year
## dbl (61): NY.GNP.MKTP.CD, FI.RES.TOTL.M0, FI.RES.TOTL.DT.ZS, FI.RES.TOTL.CD,...
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
```

```
country_df <- read_csv("country_data.csv")
```

```
## Rows: 216 Columns: 5
## — Column specification —————
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (5): Country.Code, Region, IncomeGroup, SpecialNotes, Country.Name
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
```

```
indicator_df <- read_csv("indicator_data.csv")
```

```
## Rows: 61 Columns: 2
## — Column specification —————
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (2): INDICATOR_CODE, INDICATOR_NAME
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
```

Step 3: Checking the Dimensions of debt_df

```
# Check the number of columns and rows in debt_df
num_rows <- nrow(debt_df)
num_cols <- ncol(debt_df)

# Display the results
cat("Number of Rows in debt_df: ", num_rows, "\n")
```

```
## Number of Rows in debt_df: 13824
```

```
cat("Number of Columns in debt_df: ", num_cols, "\n")
```

```
## Number of Columns in debt_df: 63
```

Explanation

- `read_csv()` is used to read CSV files.
- `cat()` and `print()` are both used to print results, but `print()` can only display one value at a time, whereas `cat()` can output multiple values, similar to Python's `print()` function.

2 (Q2) Update by Reordering

Step 1: Reordering Rows by Indicator "DT.NFL.BLAT.CD"

```
#Reorder rows by the indicator "DT.NFL.BLAT.CD" in descending order
debt_df <- debt_df %>%
  arrange(desc(DT.NFL.BLAT.CD))
```

Step 2: Select specific columns

```
debt_subset <- debt_df%>%
  select(Country.Code, Year, NY.GNP.MKTP.CD, DT.NFL.BLAT.CD) %>%
  # selects the first 4 rows
  slice(1:4)

print(debt_subset)
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 × 4
##   Country.Code Year      NY.GNP.MKTP.CD DT.NFL.BLAT.CD
##   <chr>      <chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>
## 1 MEX      year_1995    366827000000    9398190731
## 2 EGY      year_2013    281028000000    7233642176
## 3 BRA      year_2017    202494000000    6506490468
## 4 PAK      year_2018    350691000000    6201281870
```

Explanation

- `arrange()` : This function is used to sort rows of a data frame based on the values of one or more columns.
- `desc(DT.NFL.BLAT.CD)` : The `desc()` function is used to sort the values in the specified column in descending order.
- `select()` : Chooses specific columns (`Country.Code` , `Year` , `NY.GNP.MKTP.CD` , `DT.NFL.BLAT.CD`) that we want to focus on. Besides, if we want to remove certain columns from the data, we can use the `-` symbol before the column names.
- `slice(1:4)` : Selects the first 4 rows after sorting. **Note:** In this task, `head()` could also be used to get the first few rows. However, `slice()` is more flexible because it allows selecting rows from anywhere in the dataset, not just the top.

3 (Q3) Combining Data Frames to Add Indicator Names

Step 1: Observation data format

```
print(head(debt_df,5))
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 × 63
##   Country.Code Year      NY.GNP.MKTP.CD FI.RES.TOTL.M0 FI.RES.TOTL.DT.ZS
##   <chr>      <chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>
## 1 MEX      year_1995    366827000000    2.83    10.2
## 2 EGY      year_2013    281028000000    2.73    35.5
## 3 BRA      year_2017    202494000000    14.9    68.9
## 4 PAK      year_2018    350691000000    1.91    11.8
## 5 EGY      year_2016    327970000000    3.89    34.2
## # i 58 more variables: FI.RES.TOTL.CD <dbl>, DT.TDS.MLAT.PG.ZS <dbl>,
## #   DT.TDS.MLAT.CD <dbl>, DT.TDS.DPPG.XP.ZS <dbl>, DT.TDS.DPPG.GN.ZS <dbl>,
## #   DT.TDS.DPPG.CD <dbl>, DT.TDS.DPPF.XP.ZS <dbl>, DT.TDS.DIMF.CD <dbl>,
## #   DT.TDS.DECT.GN.ZS <dbl>, DT.TDS.DECT.EX.ZS <dbl>, DT.TDS.DECT.CD <dbl>,
## #   DT.ODA.ODAT.PC.ZS <dbl>, DT.ODA.ODAT.GN.ZS <dbl>, DT.ODA.ODAT.CD <dbl>,
## #   DT.NFL.RDBN.CD <dbl>, DT.NFL.RDBC.CD <dbl>, DT.NFL.PRVT.CD <dbl>,
## #   DT.NFL.PROP.CD <dbl>, DT.NFL.PNGC.CD <dbl>, DT.NFL.PNGB.CD <dbl>, ...
```

```
print(head(indicator_df,5))
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 × 2
##   INDICATOR_CODE    INDICATOR_NAME
##   <chr>            <chr>
## 1 NY.GNP.MKTP.CD    GNI (current US$)
## 2 FI.RES.TOTL.MO    Total reserves in months of imports
## 3 FI.RES.TOTL.DT.ZS Total reserves (% of total external debt)
## 4 FI.RES.TOTL.CD    Total reserves (includes gold, current US$)
## 5 DT.TDS.MLAT.PG.ZS Multilateral debt service (% of public and publicly guarant...
```

Step 2: Combine debt_df and indicator_df to create debt_df2 with indicator names instead of codes

By observing the data, we notice that in `debt_df`, the indicators are represented by their codes. Because of that, we will merge `debt_df` with `indicator_df` to replace the indicator codes with their respective names.

The debt_df has been sorted in descending order

```
debt_df2 <- debt_df %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = -c(Country.Code, Year), names_to = "Indicator.Code", values_to = "Value") %>%
  left_join(indicator_df, by = c("Indicator.Code" = "INDICATOR_CODE")) %>%
  select(-Indicator.Code) %>%
  pivot_wider(names_from = INDICATOR_NAME, values_from = Value)
```

Step 3: Error handling

```
# Check if row count matches after merge
if (nrow(debt_df) != nrow(debt_df2)) {
  warning("Row count mismatch after merging. Some data may have been lost during the join.")
}else{
  print("Merger successful")
}
```

```
## [1] "Merger successful"
```

Step 4: Display the result

```
# Display a subset of debt_df2 consisting of the first 5 rows and specific columns
debt_subset2 <- debt_df2 %>%
  select(Country.Code, Year, `Net financial flows, others (NFL, current US$)`) %>%
  slice(1:5)

print(debt_subset2)
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 × 3
##   Country.Code Year      `Net financial flows, others (NFL, current US$)`
##   <chr>         <chr>                                     <dbl>
## 1 MEX          year_1995                                     NA
## 2 EGY          year_2013                                    -14314777.
## 3 BRA          year_2017                                    -195705180.
## 4 PAK          year_2018                                    321846510.
## 5 EGY          year_2016                                    2141976215
```

Explanation

- `pivot_longer()` : Converts the wide format of `debt_df` into a long format so that each indicator code is represented as a separate row, making it easier to join with `indicator_df`.
- `left_join()` : Merges `debt_df` with `indicator_df` by matching `Indicator.Code` to add the indicator names. This keeps all rows from `debt_df` and adds relevant columns from `indicator_df`.
- `pivot_wider()` : Converts the long format back to a wide format, where each indicator name becomes a separate column.

4 (Q4) Combining Data Frames to Add Country Information

Step 1: Merge `debt_df2` with `country_df` to Create `debt_df3`

```
# Merge debt_df2 with country_df to add information about each country's region, income group, and name.
debt_df3 <- debt_df2 %>%
  left_join(country_df %>%
    select(Country.Code, Region, IncomeGroup, Country.Name), by = "Country.Code")
```

Step 2: Error handling

```
# Check if row count matches after merge
if (nrow(debt_df2) != nrow(debt_df3)) {
  warning("Row count mismatch after merging. Some data may have been lost during the join.")
}else{
  print("Merger successful")
}
```

```
## [1] "Merger successful"
```

Step 3: Display the result

```
# Display a subset of debt_df3 consisting of the first 3 rows and specific columns
debt_subset3 <- debt_df3 %>%
  select(Country.Name, IncomeGroup, Year, `Total reserves in months of imports`)

print(head(debt_subset3,3))
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 × 4
##   Country.Name      IncomeGroup      Year      Total reserves in months of i...1
##   <chr>            <chr>            <chr>            <dbl>
## 1 Mexico          Upper middle income year_1995      2.83
## 2 Egypt, Arab Rep. Lower middle income year_2013      2.73
## 3 Brazil          Upper middle income year_2017     14.9
## # i abbreviated name: 1`Total reserves in months of imports`
```

Explanation

- `left_join()`: Merges `debt_df2` with `country_df` by their common `Country.Code` to add information such as `Region`, `IncomeGroup`, and `Country.Name`.

5 (Q5) Renaming Columns

Step 1: Rename Columns in `debt_df3`

```
# Rename columns in debt_df3
debt_df3 <- debt_df3 %>%
  rename(
    Total_reserves = `Total reserves in months of imports`,
    External_debt = `External debt stocks, total (DOD, current US$)`,
    Financial_flow = `Net financial flows, bilateral (NFL, current US$)`,
    Imports = `Imports of goods, services and primary income (BoP, current US$)`,
    IFC = `IFC, private nonguaranteed (NFL, US$)`
  )
```

Step 2: Display the result

```
print(head(debt_df3, 3))
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 × 66
##   Country.Code Year   `GNI (current US$)` Total_reserves Total reserves (% of...1
##   <chr>        <chr>            <dbl>            <dbl>            <dbl>
## 1 MEX        year_1...      366827000000      2.83            10.2
## 2 EGY        year_2...      281028000000      2.73            35.5
## 3 BRA        year_2...     202494000000      14.9            68.9
## # i abbreviated name: 1`Total reserves (% of total external debt)`
## # i 61 more variables: `Total reserves (includes gold, current US$)` <dbl>,
## #   `Multilateral debt service (% of public and publicly guaranteed debt service)`
## #   <dbl>,
## #   `Multilateral debt service (TDS, current US$)` <dbl>,
## #   `Public and publicly guaranteed debt service (% of exports of goods, services
## #   and primary income)` <dbl>,
## #   `Public and publicly guaranteed debt service (% of GNI)` <dbl>,
## #   `Debt service on external debt, public and publicly guaranteed (PPG) (TDS, cur
## #   rent US$)` <dbl>, ...
```

Explanation

- `rename()`: Can rename the name of a specified column in the dataframe.

6 (Q6) Generating Summary Data Frame

Step 1: Generate Summary Data Frame

```
#Create a summary data frame `debt_summary` from `debt_df3` with statistics grouped by region.
debt_summary <- debt_df3 %>%
  group_by(Region) %>%
  summarise(
    TR_mn = mean(Total_reserves, na.rm = TRUE),
    ED_md = median(External_debt, na.rm = TRUE),
    FF_quantile = quantile(Financial_flow, probs = 0.2, na.rm = TRUE),
    IFC_sd = sd(IFC, na.rm = TRUE)
  )
```

Step 2: Display the result

```
print(debt_summary)
```

```
## # A tibble: 7 × 5
##   Region                TR_mn      ED_md FF_quantile    IFC_sd
##   <chr>                <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
## 1 East Asia & Pacific    5.19 2248479410  -2357020. 52498519.
## 2 Europe & Central Asia  3.58 8237728122  -53631246. 50820255.
## 3 Latin America & Caribbean 3.84 4159662669  -25144268. 62054545.
## 4 Middle East & North Africa 7.72 7481954468  -92269932. 21414719.
## 5 North America          1.99      NA      NA      NA
## 6 South Asia              4.94 4940329805  -373253. 76630044.
## 7 Sub-Saharan Africa      3.32 1709094992  -1673594. 24748455.
```

```
# Note: The NA values in the summary result are due to North America having all NA values for External_debt, Financial_flow, and IFC, so even with na.rm = TRUE, the result remains NA.
```

Explanation

- `group_by(Region)` : Groups the data by `Region` , so that calculations are performed for each region separately.
- `summarise()` : Calculates summary statistics for each group.
 - `TR_mn` : The average of `Total_reserves` for each region, ignoring missing values (`na.rm = TRUE`).
 - `ED_md` : The median of `External_debt` for each region, ignoring missing values.
 - `FF_quantile` : The 0.2 quantile of `Financial_flow` for each region, ignoring missing values.
 - `IFC_sd` : The standard deviation of `IFC` for each region, ignoring missing values.

7 (Q7) Creating Violin Plot

Create a violin plot of `Financial_flow` for each of the regions, filtering out extreme values and missing values.

Step 1: Organise the data required for the plotting

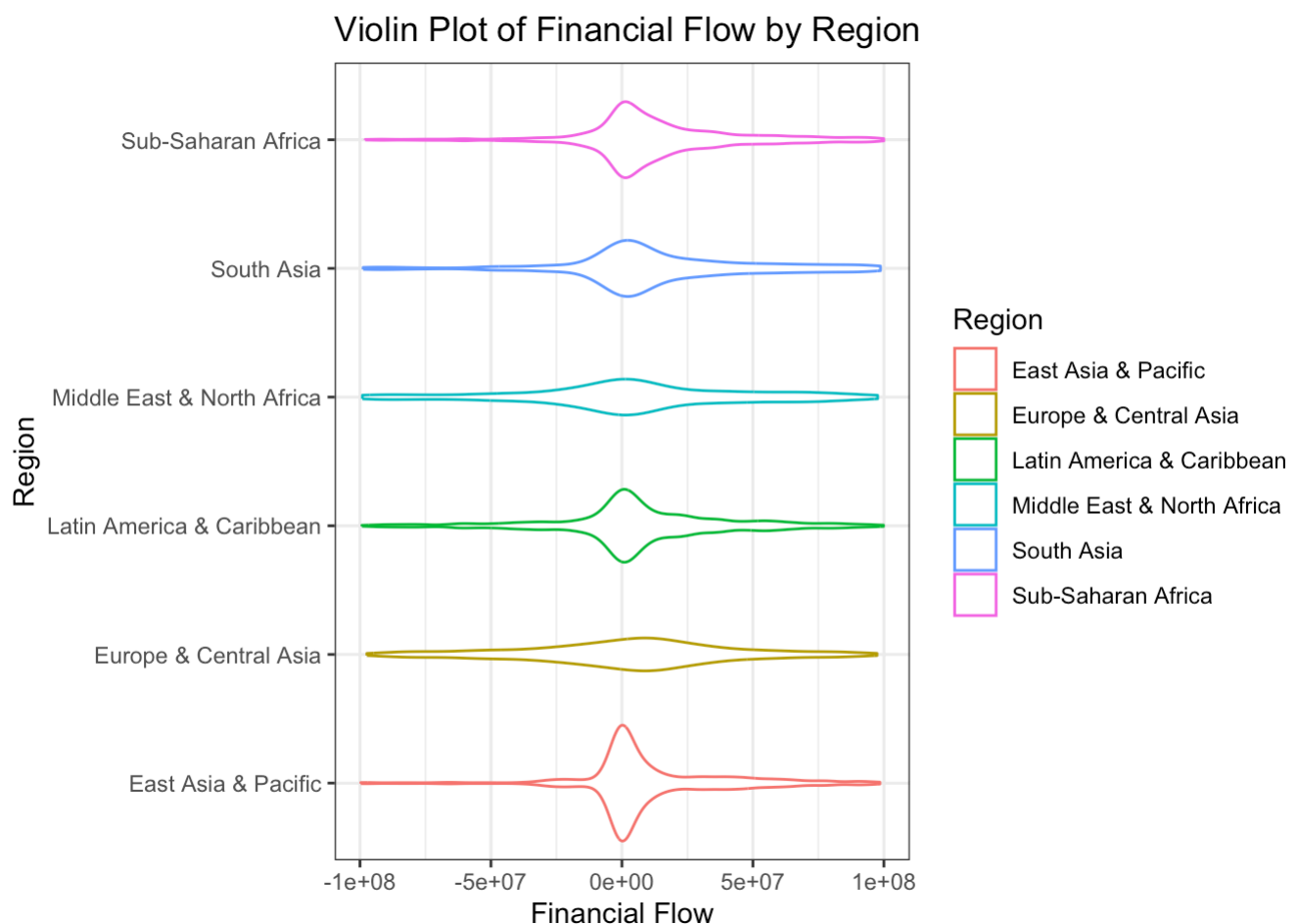
```
# Load ggplot2 library
library(ggplot2)

# Filter data for valid Financial_flow values and remove missing values
filtered_df <- debt_df3 %>%
  filter((Financial_flow > -1e8 & Financial_flow < 1e8), !is.na(Financial_flow))
```

Step 2: Create the violin plot

```
# Create violin plot
violin_plot <- ggplot(filtered_df, aes(x = Financial_flow, y = Region, color = Region)) +
  geom_violin() +
  labs(title = "Violin Plot of Financial Flow by Region", x = "Financial Flow", y = "Region") +
  theme_bw()

# Display the plot
print(violin_plot)
```



Explanation

- `filter()` : Filters the data between -10^8 and 10^8 , and removes missing values.
- `ggplot()` : Initializes a ggplot object for visualization.
- `aes()` : Specifies the aesthetics, mapping `Financial_flow` to the x-axis and `Region` to the y-axis, with different colors for each region.
- `geom_violin()` : Creates the violin plot.
- `labs()` : Adds titles and labels to the plot.
- `theme_bw()` : Applies a black and white theme to make the plot cleaner.

8 (Q8) Creating Plot for Total Reserves

Create a plot of `Total_reserves` over the years (1960-2023) for specific countries, faceted by income group.

Step 1: Filter data

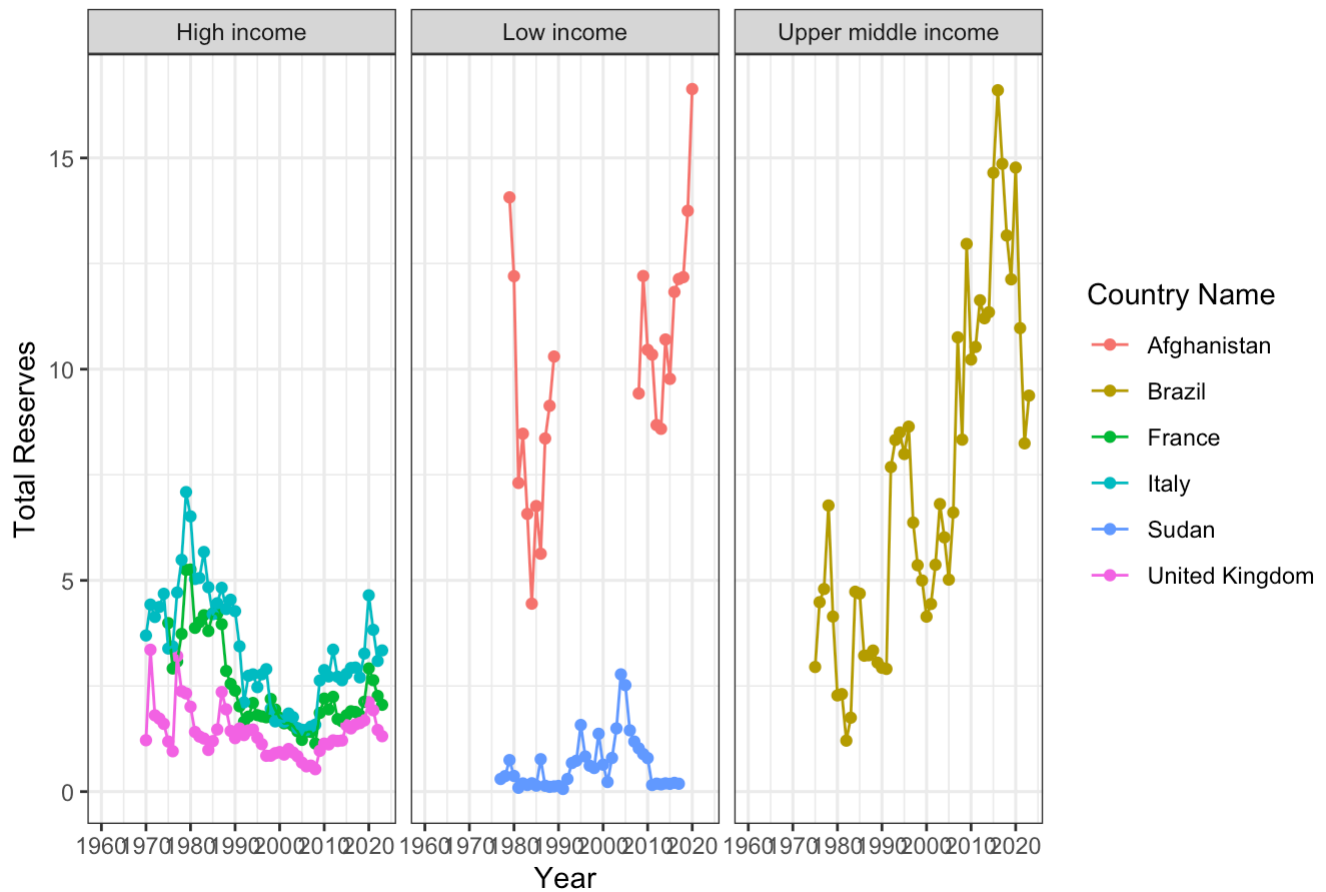
```
# Filter data for selected countries
filtered_reserves_df <- debt_df3 %>%
  filter(Country.Name=="Italy"|Country.Name=="France"|Country.Name=="United Kingdom"|
Country.Name=="Sudan"|Country.Name=="Afghanistan"|Country.Name=="Brazil")%>%
# Converts the year parameter to a numeric type for easy image plotting.
mutate(Year = as.numeric(gsub("year_", "", Year)))
```

Step 2: Create plot

```
# Display the plot
reserves_plot <- ggplot(filtered_reserves_df, aes(x = Year, y = Total_reserves, color
= Country.Name, group = Country.Name)) +
  geom_point(na.rm = TRUE) +
  geom_line(na.rm = TRUE) +
  # Here you can add `scales = 'free'` to make the image avoid some scale inconsisten
cies.
  facet_wrap(~IncomeGroup) +
  theme_bw() +
  #Setting the horizontal coordinates to display at 10-year intervals facilitates the
visualisation of the image.
  scale_x_continuous(breaks = seq(1960, 2023, by = 10)) +
  labs(title = "Total Reserves Over Time by Income Group", x = "Year", y = "Total Res
erves", color = "Country Name")+
  #Centering the title
  theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))

print(reserves_plot)
```

Total Reserves Over Time by Income Group



Explanation

- `mutate()` is used to modify or create new columns in a data frame. Here, it is converting the `Year` column from a character to a numeric format.
- `geom_point()` and `geom_line()` : Plots points and lines to show the trends in `Total_reserves` over the years.
- `facet_wrap(~IncomeGroup)` : Facets the plot by `IncomeGroup` , allowing each income group to have its own panel.