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Abstract

Happiness is a crucial indicator of well-being, influenced by multiple economic, social, and political factors. This project analyzes the World Happiness Report dataset, sourced from <u>Kaggle</u>, to identify key determinants of happiness scores across various countries. The dataset includes metrics such as GDP per capita, social support, life expectancy, freedom, government trust, and generosity, which contribute to a country's overall happiness ranking.

The project follows a structured data analysis pipeline, starting with data cleaning and preprocessing, followed by exploratory data analysis (EDA) to uncover trends and correlations. Various data visualization techniques using Matplotlib and Seaborn help in understanding the distribution of happiness scores and the impact of different factors. Statistical analysis is also performed to determine the most significant contributors to happiness.

Findings suggest that economic stability, strong social support systems, and low corruption levels significantly influence happiness scores. Countries with higher GDP per capita and better healthcare systems tend to rank higher in happiness. This project provides valuable insights into how governments and policymakers can enhance societal well-being by focusing on these key factors.

The analysis is conducted in Google Colab, and the final project is documented in a GitHub repository, making it accessible for further research and improvements.

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Abbreviations

Abbreviation Description

DAV Data Analysis and Visualization

SB Sea Born

PD pandas

CSV Comma Separated Value

HIST Histogram

CHAPTER 1

Introduction

1.1 Definition of Problem

The **World Happiness Report** provides insights into global well-being by ranking countries based on various socioeconomic indicators. This project aims to analyze the dataset to understand the key factors influencing happiness scores across different nations. The study will explore correlations between GDP, social support, life expectancy, and other metrics to determine their impact on national happiness rankings. Additionally, data visualization techniques will be employed to illustrate trends, disparities, and significant patterns across regions. The ultimate goal is to derive meaningful conclusions that can inform policymakers on enhancing societal well-being.

1.1 Objectives and Outcomes

Objectives:

- **Data Exploration**: Conduct a thorough analysis of the dataset to understand its structure, features, and key attributes.
- **Insight Generation**: Identify correlations between happiness scores and factors such as GDP, government trust, and life expectancy.
- **Visualization**: Use Seaborn, Matplotlib, and Pandas to create impactful data visualizations for clear insight presentation.
- Predictive Analysis: If applicable, develop models to predict happiness scores based on key socioeconomic indicators.
- **Policy Recommendations**: Provide data-driven insights that could help in shaping policies to improve well-being.

Outcomes:

- Comprehensive Dataset Understanding: Gain a structured overview of the dataset, recognizing trends and potential biases.
- **Insightful Analysis:** Extract key findings on the most influential factors affecting global happiness.
- Effective Communication: Present results using compelling visualizations that simplify complex data

insights.

- **Predictive Models** (if applicable): Develop reliable models to estimate happiness scores based on historical data.
- **Informed Decision-Making**: Equip policymakers, researchers, and organizations with actionable insights to enhance societal well-being.

CHAPTER 2

Methodology

3.1 Data collection and Dataset description

The dataset used in this study is sourced from <u>Kaggle</u> and provides crucial insights into global happiness rankings. It contains detailed information on various socioeconomic factors that contribute to the well-being of nations. Each record represents a country's happiness score, calculated based on multiple indicators such as GDP per capita, social support, life expectancy, freedom, trust in government, generosity, and dystopia residuals.

Additionally, the dataset categorizes countries by region, enabling comparative analysis across different parts of the world. It includes numerical values for each contributing factor, allowing for statistical evaluation and visualization of patterns. By analyzing these factors, we aim to uncover significant trends, correlations, and disparities in happiness levels across nations.

The dataset serves as a foundation for exploratory data analysis (EDA), visualization, and potential predictive modeling to understand how different elements impact happiness scores. Through this project, we seek to provide actionable insights that can inform policies aimed at improving global well-being.

	Country	Region	Happiness Rank	Happiness Score	Standard Error	Economy (GDP per Capita)	Family	Health (Life Expectancy)	Freedom	Trust (Government Corruption)	Generosity	Dystopia Residual
0	Switzerland	Western Europe	1	7.587	0.03411	1.39651	1.34951	0.94143	0.66557	0.41978	0.29678	2.51738
1	Iceland	Western Europe	2	7.561	0.04884	1.30232	1.40223	0.94784	0.62877	0.14145	0.43630	2.70201
2	Denmark	Western Europe	3	7.527	0.03328	1.32548	1.36058	0.87464	0.64938	0.48357	0.34139	2.49204
3	Norway	Western Europe	4	7.522	0.03880	1.45900	1.33095	0.88521	0.66973	0.36503	0.34699	2.46531
4	Canada	North America	5	7.427	0.03553	1.32629	1.32261	0.90563	0.63297	0.32957	0.45811	2.45176

Figure 3.1: Dataset

3.2 Data cleaning and preprocessing

Data cleaning and preprocessing are essential steps in ensuring that our dataset is accurate, consistent, and free from errors. This phase enhances the dataset's reliability and prepares it for meaningful analysis.

Handling Unnecessary Columns

The first step was removing irrelevant columns that do not contribute significantly to the analysis. We examined the dataset and eliminated any redundant features using Pandas' drop() function. This streamlined our dataset, making it more efficient for analysis.

Managing Missing Values

Missing data can lead to biased or inaccurate results. We identified missing values using Pandas' isnull() function and applied different strategies for handling them. If a column had a small percentage of missing values, we filled them using the mean or mode of the respective column via fillna(). However, if a column had a substantial amount of missing data and was not crucial for analysis, we dropped it using dropna().

Removing Duplicate Entries

To ensure data integrity, we checked for duplicate rows using Pandas' duplicated() function. Any identified duplicates were removed using drop_duplicates(), ensuring that each entry was unique and did not distort our analysis.

Correcting Data Types

Data types were reviewed using Pandas' dtypes attribute to ensure numerical and categorical data were in the correct format. Columns containing Happiness Scores and GDP per Capita, initially stored as strings, were converted into numerical formats using astype(). This step ensured accurate computations and visualizations.

Handling Outliers

Outliers can significantly impact statistical analysis. We identified outliers using methods such as boxplots and Z-score analysis. Depending on their influence, we either removed extreme outliers or capped them within a reasonable range using Pandas and NumPy functions.

Addressing Zero Values

Certain columns, such as GDP per Capita or Life Expectancy, should not contain zero values. We replaced them with the column mean or median using replace(), ensuring logical consistency in the dataset.

By following this structured approach, we ensured that our dataset was clean, reliable, and well-prepared for exploratory data analysis (EDA). This step provided a strong foundation for visualizing patterns and uncovering meaningful insights into global happiness trends.

CHAPTER 4

System Architecture and Implementation

4.1 Google Colab

Google Colaboratory, commonly known as Google Colab, is a free online cloud-based Jupyter notebook environment tailored for training machine learn- ing and deep learning models. This article explores the functionalities, benefits, and features of Google Colab, elucidating its significance in the realm of data science and machine learning.

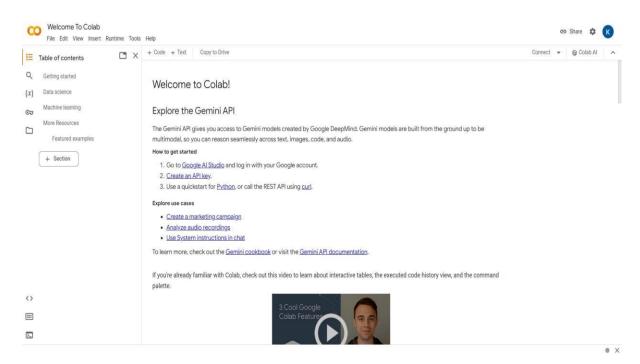


Figure 4.1: Google Colab

4.1.1 What is Google Colab?

Google Colab offers a cloud-based environment accessible via any web browser, eliminating the need for local software installation. Users can leverage its computing resources, including CPUs, GPUs, and TPUs, facilitating efficient model training and execution.

4.2 Benefits of Google Colab

Accessibility: Users can access Google Colab from any location with internet connectivity, streamlining collaboration and workflow.

Power: The platform provides access to potent computing resources like GPUs and TPUs, enabling swift and effective model training.

Collaboration: Google Colab simplifies collaborative efforts by allowing real-time editing and sharing of notebooks among team members.

Education: It serves as an invaluable educational tool for learning about machine learning and data science, offering a plethora of tutorials and resources.

4.2.1 Why Choose Google Colab?

Google Colab stands out as an ideal choice for students, data scientists, researchers, and enthusiasts due to its:

Ease of Use: With no setup requirements, users can swiftly start coding after creating an account.

Affordability: The platform is largely free to use, with paid plans available for more demanding tasks.

Flexibility: Users can seamlessly train models, process data, create visualizations, and collaborate with others, making it a versatile tool for various applications.

4.2.2 Notebook in Google Colab

In Google Colab, a notebook serves as a web-based environment for code creation and execution. Notebooks offer several advantages, including real-time code execution and visualization, support for markdown for documentation,

and collaboration features, making them indispensable for data scientists and machine learning practitioners.

4.2.3 Google Colab Features

Google Colab boasts several features that enhance its usability and effectiveness:

Free Access to GPUs and TPUs: Users can leverage powerful computing resources without any additional cost.

Web-based Interface: The intuitive and user-friendly interface eliminates the need for local software installation.

Collaboration Tools: Multiple users can collaborate on the same notebook simultaneously, streamlining teamwork.

Markdown Support: Notebooks support markdown, enabling users to include formatted text, equations, and images alongside their code.

Pre-installed Libraries: Google Colab comes pre-installed with popular libraries and tools for machine learning and deep learning, such as TensorFlow and PyTorch, saving time on setup and configuration.

Google Colab emerges as a versatile and indispensable tool for machine learning and data science tasks, offering accessibility, power, and flexibility. Its user-friendly interface, collaborative features, and integration with powerful computing resources make it an invaluable asset for individuals and teams alike, driving innovation and progress in the field of machine learning and beyond.

4.3 Code Snippets

4.3.1 Importing libraries and Data loading

To begin our project, we first import the necessary libraries for data analysis and visualization. We import pandas as pd and numpy as np for data handling and numerical operations, respectively. We use Matplotlib and Seaborn for data visualization.

Next, we load the dataset into our code using the read csv function from pandas, assuming the dataset is stored in a CSV file named '15.csv' which actually contains they entire data of world happiness report. We assign the loaded dataset to a variable named 'df'.

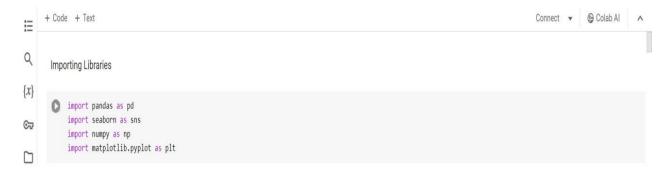


Figure 4.2: importing libraries and Dataset loading

To ensure that the dataset has been loaded successfully, we display the first few rows of the dataset using the head() function. This allows us to inspect the structure and content of the dataset, confirming that it has been imported correctly and is ready for further processing.

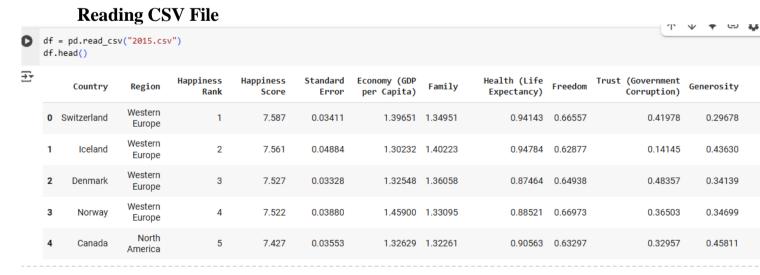


Figure 4.4: Reading CSV

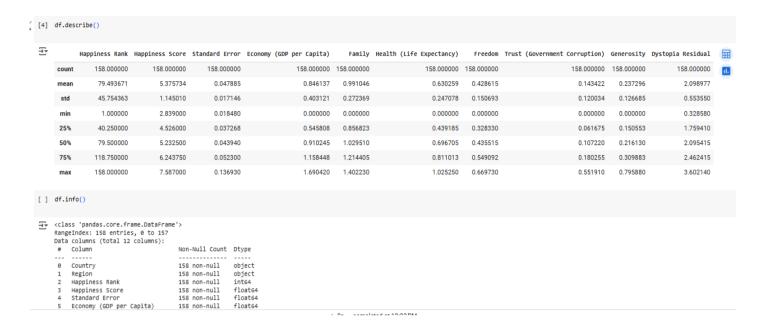


Figure 4.5: Statistics for Numerical features

This code snippet prints out summary statistics for numerical features in a DataFrame (df). It provides key statistical measures such as count, mean, standard deviation, minimum, maximum, and quartile values for each numerical column in the DataFrame.

4.3.2 Data cleaning and preprocessing

The data cleaning process for our dataset was carried out in a structured manner to ensure quality and reliability for subsequent analysis

1. Viewing Data

Users can specify the number of rows to view from the top of the DataFrame. This feature helps in getting a quick look at the data's initial entries.



Figure 4.6: Viewing Data

2. Addressing Data Types:

We reviewed the data types using Pandas' dtypes attribute.

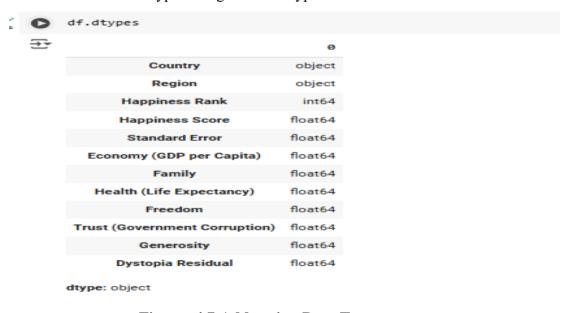
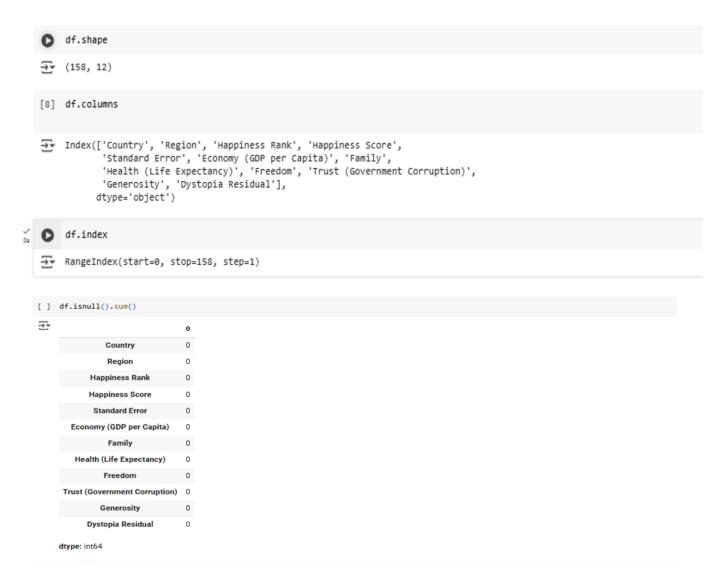


Figure 4.7:Addressing Data Types

5.Basic Data Exploration

The script provided insights into the structure of the DataFrame:

- Shape: Number of rows and columns.
- **Columns**: Names of the columns.
- **Index**: Indexes of the DataFrame.
- **Data Types**: Types of data in each column.
- Missing Values: Count of missing values in each column.



```
# Number of unique countries

print("Unique Countries:", df["Country"].nunique())

# Unique regions

print("Unique Regions:", df["Region"].unique())

Unique Countries: 158

Unique Regions: ['Western Europe' 'North America' 'Australia and New Zealand'
  'Middle East and Northern Africa' 'Latin America and Caribbean'
  'Southeastern Asia' 'Central and Eastern Europe' 'Eastern Asia'
  'Sub-Saharan Africa' 'Southern Asia']
```

```
[ ] # Check for duplicate rows
    df.duplicated().sum()
p.int64(0)
```

Figure 4.8: Basic Data Exploration

Data Manipulation

Sorting

• The DataFrame was sorted by the happiness score in the descending order and found that Switzerland is the happiest country, followed by Iceland and Norway.

```
# Sort data by Happiness Score
df_sorted = df.sort_values(by="Happiness Score", ascending=False)
df_sorted.head()
```

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3	Norway	Western Europe	4	7.522	0.03880	1.45900	1.33095	0.88521	0.66973	0.36503	0.34699	2.46
4	Canada	North America	5	7.427	0.03553	1.32629	1.32261	0.90563	0.63297	0.32957	0.45811	2.45

Also sorted by lowest Economy (GDP per Capita)



0.07120 0.78968

0.34201 0.28531

Figure 4.10: Sorting

Sub-

Saharan

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Liheria

0.06232

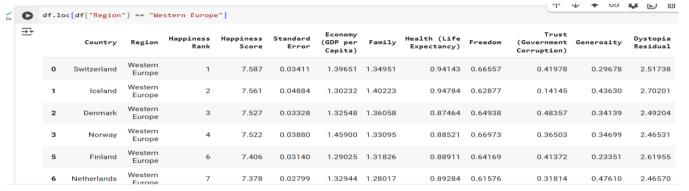
0.24362

Filtering

Filter by a Specific Country



Filter by Region



Filter Countries with a Happiness Score Above a Certain Threshold



• Filter by Multiple Conditions

Get countries in Western Europe with a Happiness Score above 7.0 df.loc[(df["Region"] == "Western Europe") & (df["Happiness Score"] > 7.0)]

	Country	Region	Happiness Rank	Happiness Score	Standard Error	Economy (GDP per Capita)	Family	Health (Life Expectancy)	Freedom
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Selecting Specific Columns with loc



• Get specific countries with only their Happiness Score



Filtering with iloc (Index-Based Selection)



Selecting first 5 rows and columns by index positions



Value Counts

Count Unique Values in a Column



Get proportion of each region in the dataset



Count Countries with a Specific Happiness Score

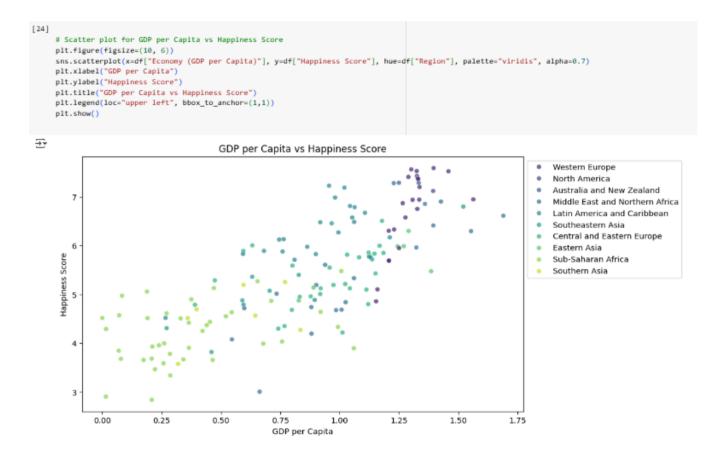


Exploratory Data Analysis

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) is a crucial preliminary step in data analysis, focusing on understanding the dataset's structure, identifying patterns, and uncovering relationships between variables. It involves visualizing data, summarizing key features, and detecting potential anomalies. EDA serves as a foundation for further analysis and model building.

Scatter Plot Analysis:

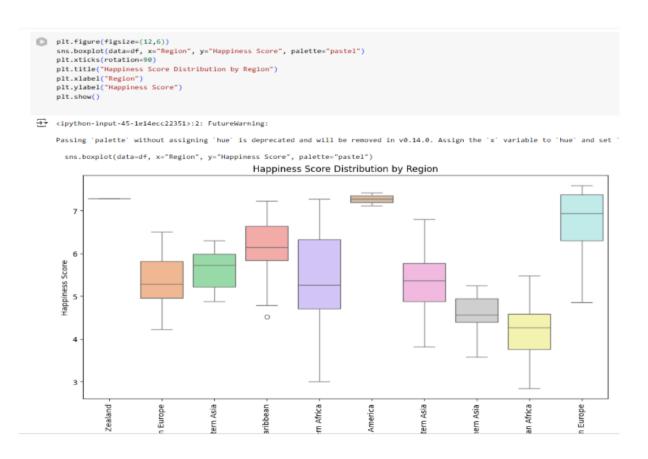
Scatter plots are effective graphical tools for exploring relationships between two continuous variables. In the context of the World Happiness Report dataset, scatter plots can be used to visually assess potential associations between different factors influencing happiness scores. For instance, we can analyze how economic indicators, such as GDP per capita, correlate with Happiness Score, or explore the impact of Life Expectancy and Freedom on overall happiness. By leveraging scatter plots, we can identify trends, clusters, and outliers, providing valuable insights into the key drivers of happiness across different countries.





Boxplot: Happiness Score by Region

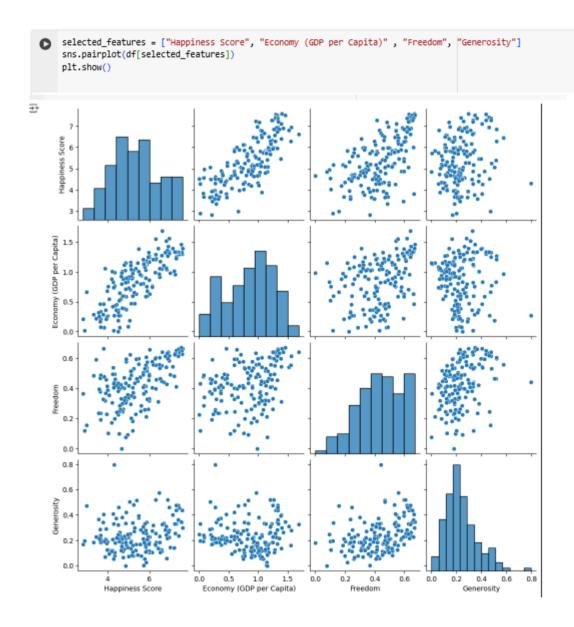
A box plot is a statistical visualization used to show the distribution of a numerical variable across different categories. It helps in identifying median values, spread, and potential outliers in the data.



Pairplot: Correlation Between Key Features:

A pair plot is a powerful visualization tool in data analysis that displays pairwise relationships between multiple numerical variables in a dataset. It helps identify patterns, correlations, and potential outliers in the data.

In the World Happiness Report dataset, a pair plot can be used to explore relationships between key factors such as Happiness Score, GDP per Capita, Generosity, and Freedom. By analyzing these pairwise scatter plots, we can visually assess how different variables interact and influence happiness scores across different countries.



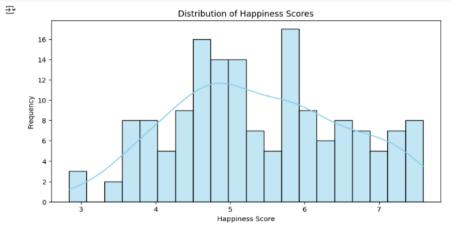
Histogram

A histogram is a graphical representation that shows the distribution of a numerical variable by dividing it into bins and counting the number of observations in each bin. It helps in understanding the spread, skewness, and central tendency of the data.

• Histogram of Happiness score

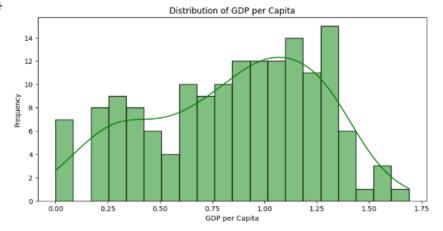
Histogram of Happiness Scores

```
[26]
    plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
    sns.histplot(df["Happiness Score"], bins=20, kde=True, color="skyblue")
    plt.xlabel("Happiness Score")
    plt.ylabel("Frequency")
    plt.title("Distribution of Happiness Scores")
    plt.show()
```



• Histogram of GDP per Capita

```
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
sns.histplot(df["Economy (GDP per Capita)"], bins=20, kde=True, color="green")
plt.xlabel("GOP per Capita")
plt.ylabel("Frequency")
plt.title("Distribution of GDP per Capita")
plt.show()
```



Bar Plot

A bar plot is a graphical representation that displays the average values of a numerical variable across different categories. It is useful for comparing group-wise statistics and identifying patterns.

In the World Happiness Report, a bar plot of Happiness Score by Region helps us understand:

- 1. Which regions have the highest and lowest average happiness scores
- 2. The variation in happiness levels across different parts of the world
- 3. How different socioeconomic factors might influence regional happiness

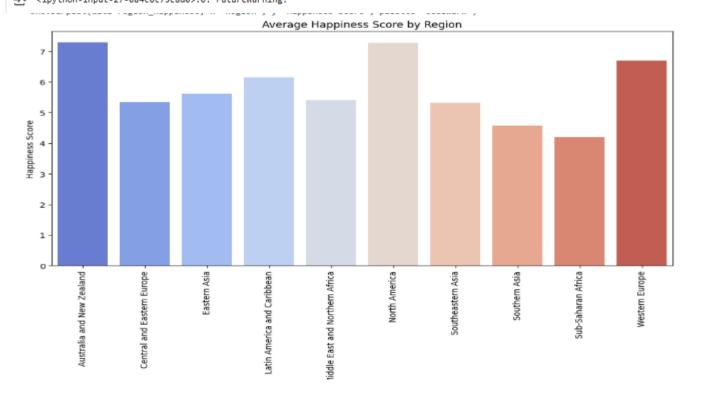
This visualization provides a clear comparison of happiness levels across regions, helping to identify trends and disparities.

Barplot: Happiness Score by Region

```
region_avg_happiness = df.groupby("Region")["Happiness Score"].mean().reset_index()
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x="Region", y="Happiness Score", data=region_avg_happiness, palette="coolwarm")
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.xlabel("Region")
plt.ylabel("Average Happiness Score")
plt.title("Average Happiness Score by Region")
plt.show()

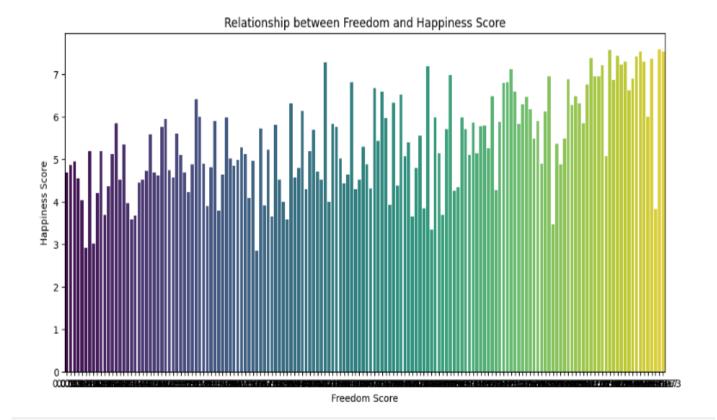
region_avg_happiness, palette="coolwarm")

plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.xlabel("Region")
plt.xlabel("Average Happiness Score")
plt.show()
```



Barplot of Freedom vs Happiness score

```
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x="Freedom", y="Happiness Score", data=df, palette="viridis")
plt.xlabel("Freedom Score")
plt.ylabel("Happiness Score")
plt.title("Relationship between Freedom and Happiness Score")
plt.show()
```



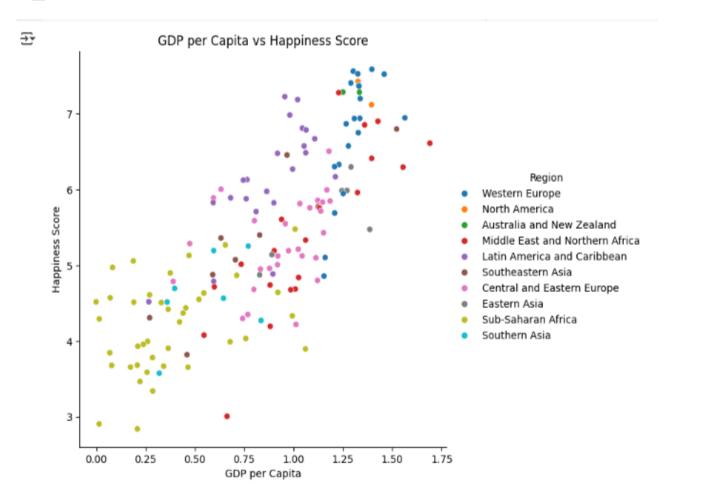
Seaborn

Seaborn is a powerful Python data visualization library built on Matplotlib, designed for creating attractive, informative, and statistical graphics with minimal code. It integrates well with Pandas DataFrames, making it easier to visualize trends, relationships, and distributions.

Key Features:

- Simplifies complex visualizations like pair plots, violin plots, and heatmaps.
- In-built themes for better aesthetics.
- Works well with categorical & numerical data.
- Supports statistical analysis, like regression trends.

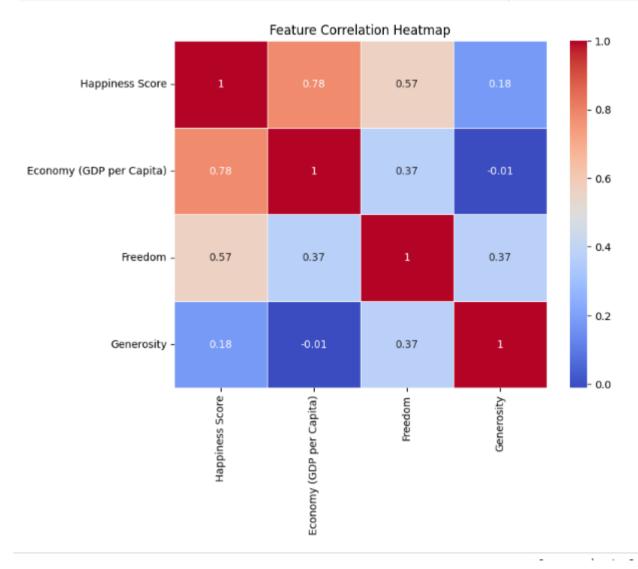
```
sns.relplot(x="Economy (GDP per Capita)", y="Happiness Score", hue="Region", data=df, kind="scatter", height=6)
plt.xlabel("GDP per Capita")
plt.ylabel("Happiness Score")
plt.title("GDP per Capita vs Happiness Score")
plt.show()
```



HEATMAP

A heatmap is a graphical representation of data using colors to indicate different values. In the context of a correlation matrix, a heatmap helps visualize relationships between numerical variables in the dataset.

```
plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
sns.heatmap(df[selected_features].corr(), annot=True, cmap="coolwarm", linewidths=0.5)
plt.title("Feature Correlation Heatmap")
plt.show()
```



4.4 Conclusion

This project provided a comprehensive exploration and analysis of the World Happiness Report dataset, uncovering key insights into the factors influencing happiness across different countries. Through data visualization, correlation analysis, and feature exploration, we identified significant relationships between economic stability, social support, life expectancy, and perceived freedom in determining happiness scores.

By leveraging statistical methods and visualization techniques, the study highlighted disparities in well-being across regions and provided a clearer understanding of the underlying socioeconomic patterns. These insights serve as a valuable foundation for further research and policy recommendations aimed at enhancing global happiness. The findings emphasize the importance of economic development, governance, and social welfare policies in improving the overall quality of life.

This analysis sets the stage for future studies that could incorporate predictive modeling or timeseries analysis to assess trends in global happiness and forecast potential changes.

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