

STAT 215A Fall 2021

Week 3

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Lab 1: Clarifications

- If you wanted to do something but didn't have time, say so!
- Your .Rmd should generate the plot directly (i.e., put the plotting code in the .Rmd file)
- “Recall the three realms of data science: data / reality, algorithms / models, and **future data / reality**. Where do the different parts of this lab fit into those three realms?”
 - OK if you want to argue not all three realms are covered, but explain why.

Lab 1: What to do if you're stuck

Some thoughts if you're stuck:

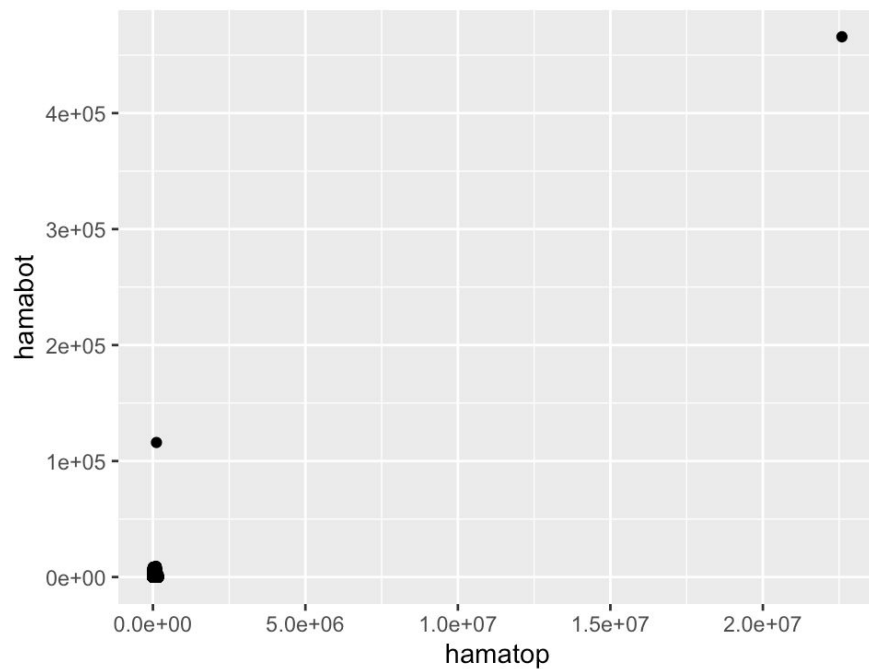
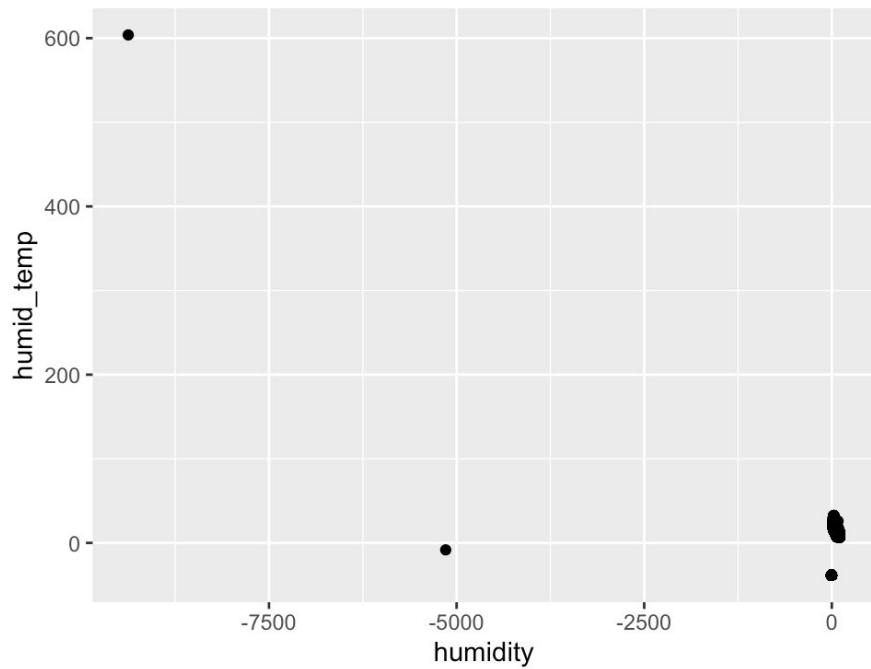
- Use your domain knowledge and curiosity to come up with questions you may want to answer
- Look at smaller parts of the data
 - Zoom in on a specific day or time of day

Lab 1: Using .gitignore

Please be sure to add a .gitignore file to the top directory of your `stat-215-a` repository:

- Useful examples here: <https://github.com/github/gitignore>
- Add what you don't want to be put in version control:
 - `data/` (matches
 - `documents/`
 - `*.csv`
 - Exception: `!dont_ignore_me.csv`
 - `.gitignore` uses [globbing patterns](https://git-scm.com/docs/gitignore). See <https://git-scm.com/docs/gitignore>
- Citations: include in bibliography, but don't push pdfs

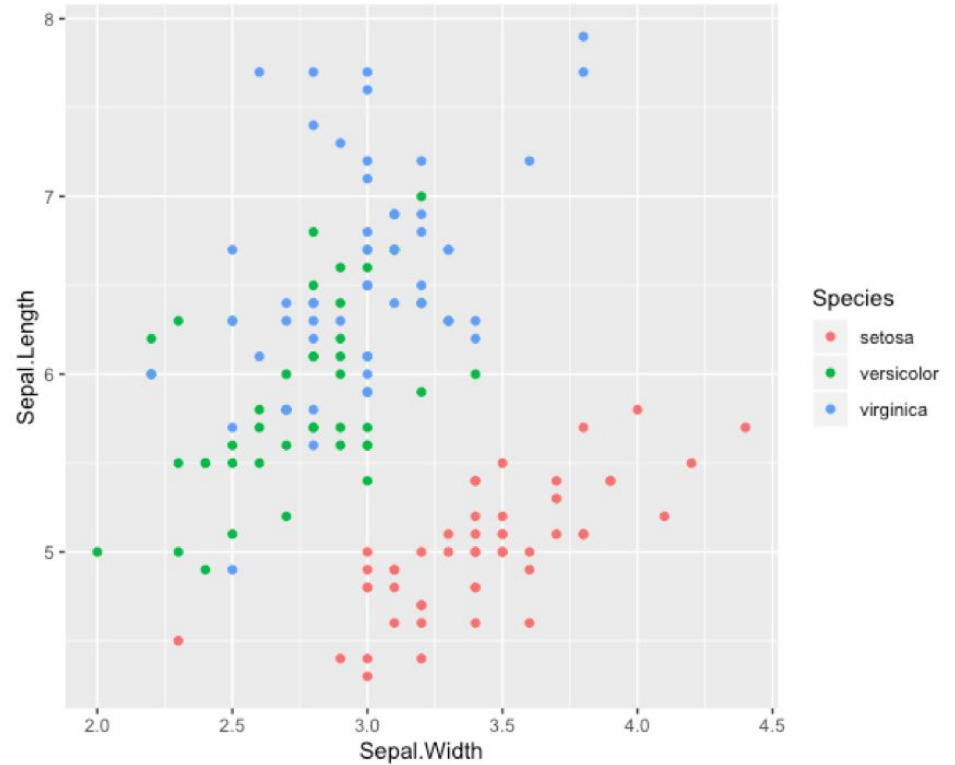
Lab 1: Findings



Lab 1: Check-in

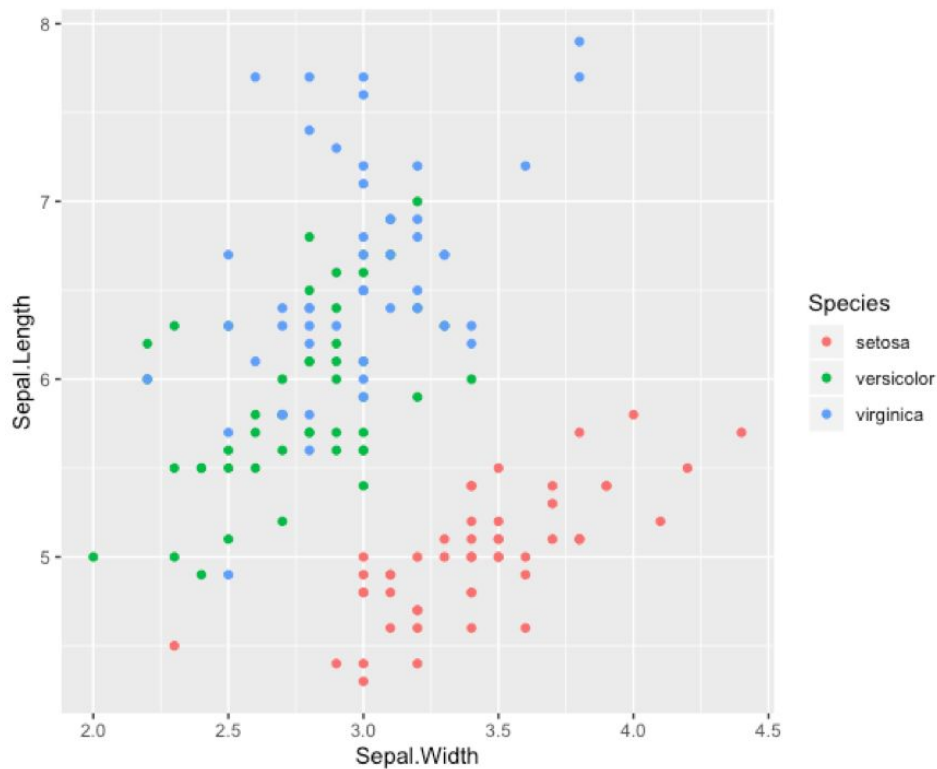
- How is it going?
- Having fun?
- Challenges?
- Questions?
- Remember it's due **Thursday, Sept 16 at 11:59pm!!**
- Berkeley SCF Resources: <https://github.com/berkeley-scf>

Motivation for today



(Selfish) motivation for today

As your GSI, it can become monotonous to look at 100+ plots with the same gridded gray ggplot background and the same default ggplot color scheme... please don't make me go through that



Let's fix this

- Built-in and custom `ggplot` themes
- Color schemes
- Heatmaps with `superheat`
- `GGally` pair plots
- Ridge Density Plots
- Interactive plots

Quick improvements to the classic `ggplot` theme

- Recall in the gapminder lab last week, we had defined this `theme_nice` in `utils.R`

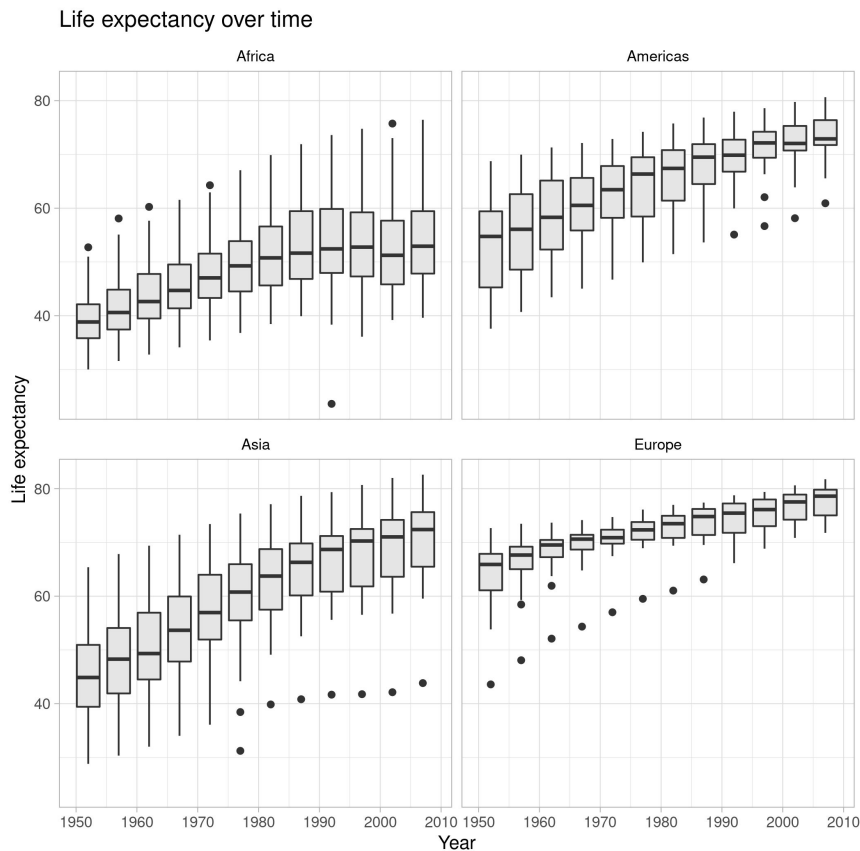
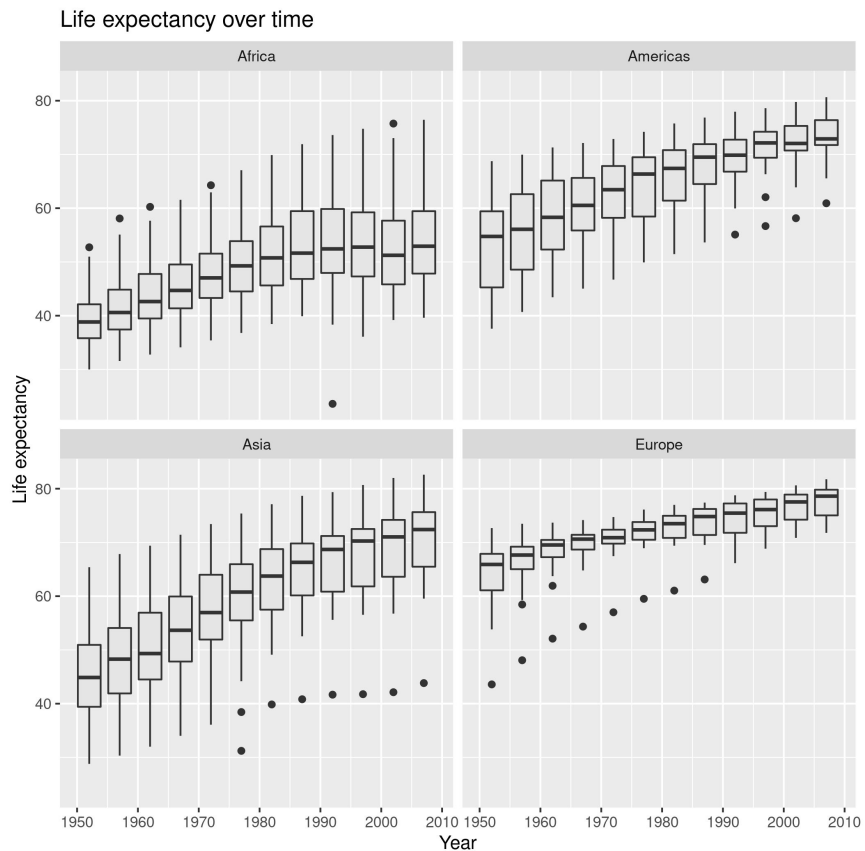
```
> theme_nice <- theme_classic() + theme(axis.line.y = element_blank())
```

- Then to use this modified theme, we simply ran something like

```
> ggplot(gapminder %>% filter(continent != "Oceania")) +  
+   facet_wrap(~continent) +  
+   geom_boxplot(aes(x = year, y = life_exp, group = year), fill = "grey90") +  
+   theme_nice
```

- Built-in ggplot themes: <https://ggplot2.tidyverse.org/reference/ggtheme.html>
- Or simply google “custom ggplot themes”

Custom ggplot themes with theme ()



Color schemes



MONOCHROMATIC



ANALOGOUS



COMPLEMENTARY



SPLIT COMPLEMENTARY



TRIAD



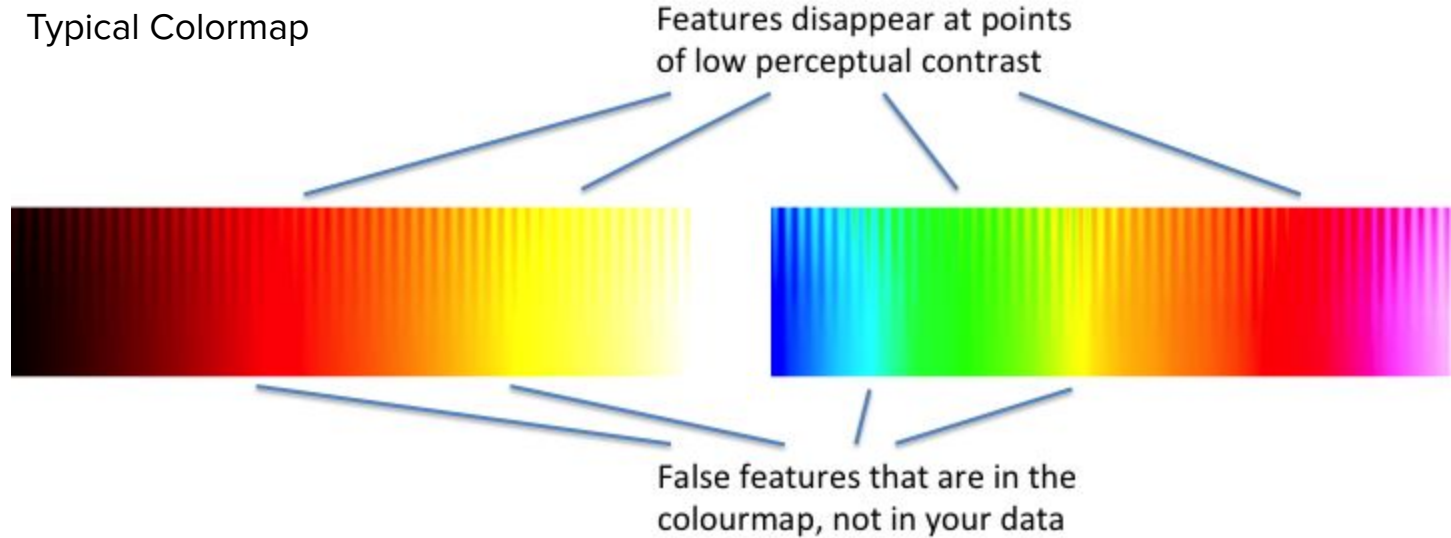
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SQUARE

Color choice can lead to misleading visualizations

Typical Colormap

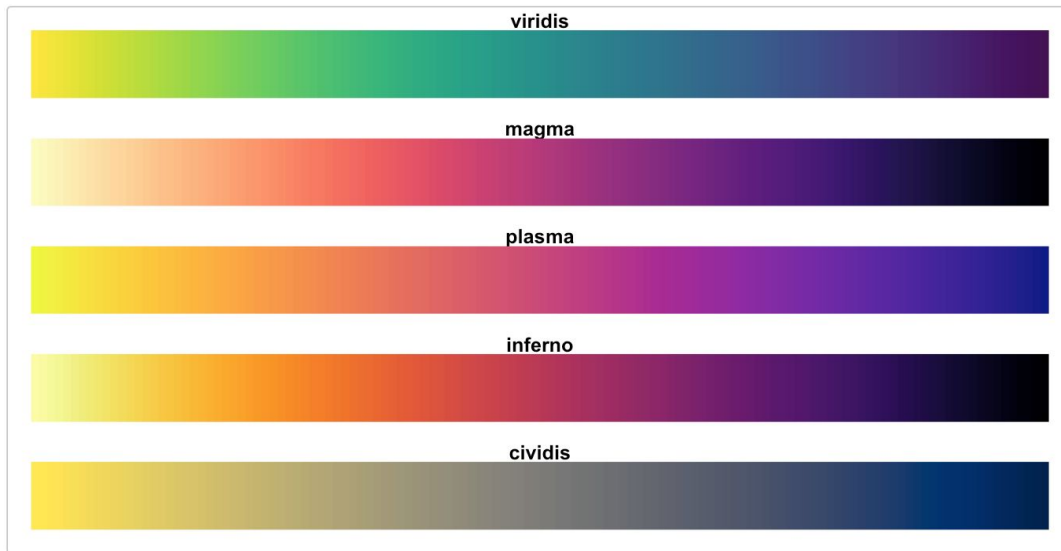


Perceptually Uniform Colormap

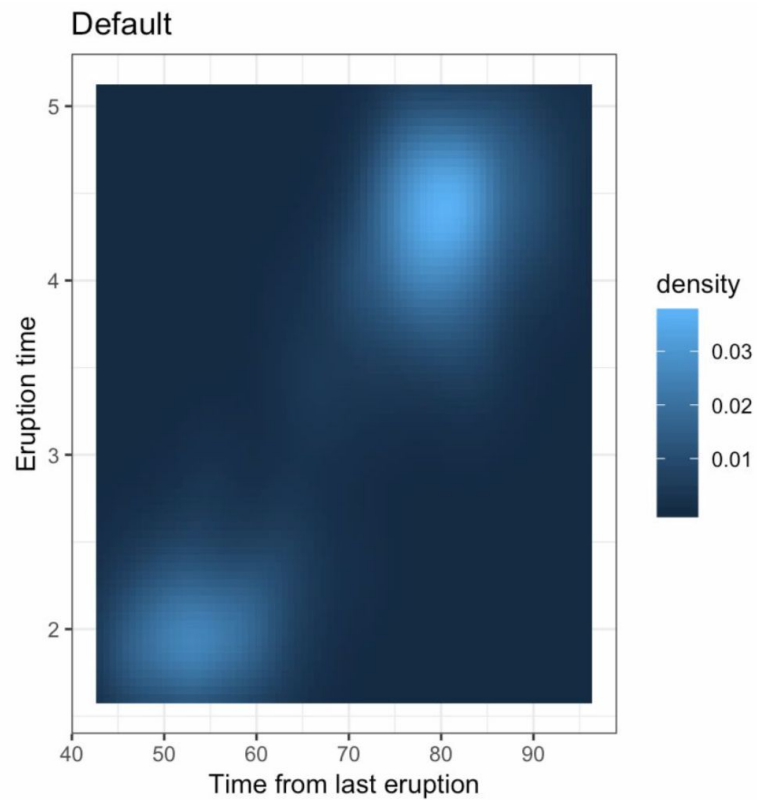
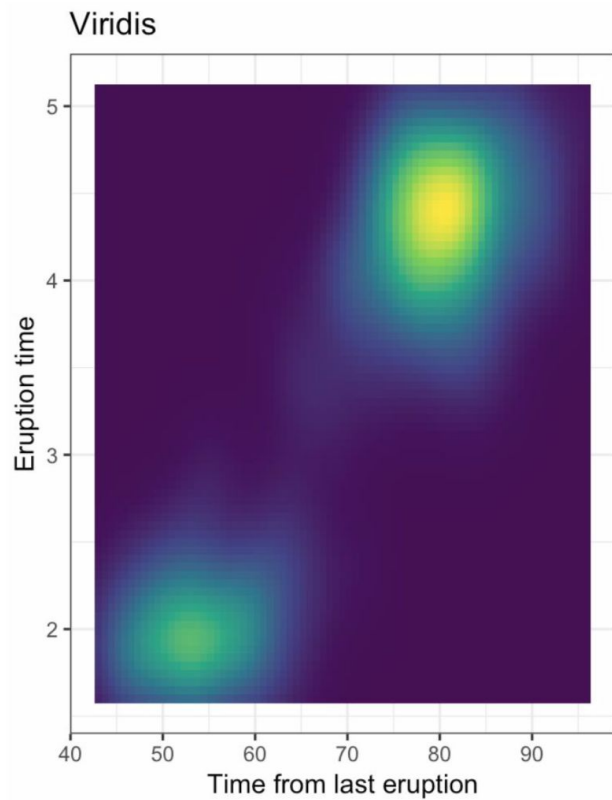


Viridis color scheme

- Makes pretty plots!
- Perceptually uniform colors (meaning changes in the data should be accurately decoded by our brains)
 - Another colormap with this quality is **RColorBrewer**
- Perceived by most common forms of color blindness



Viridis color scheme



Color schemes

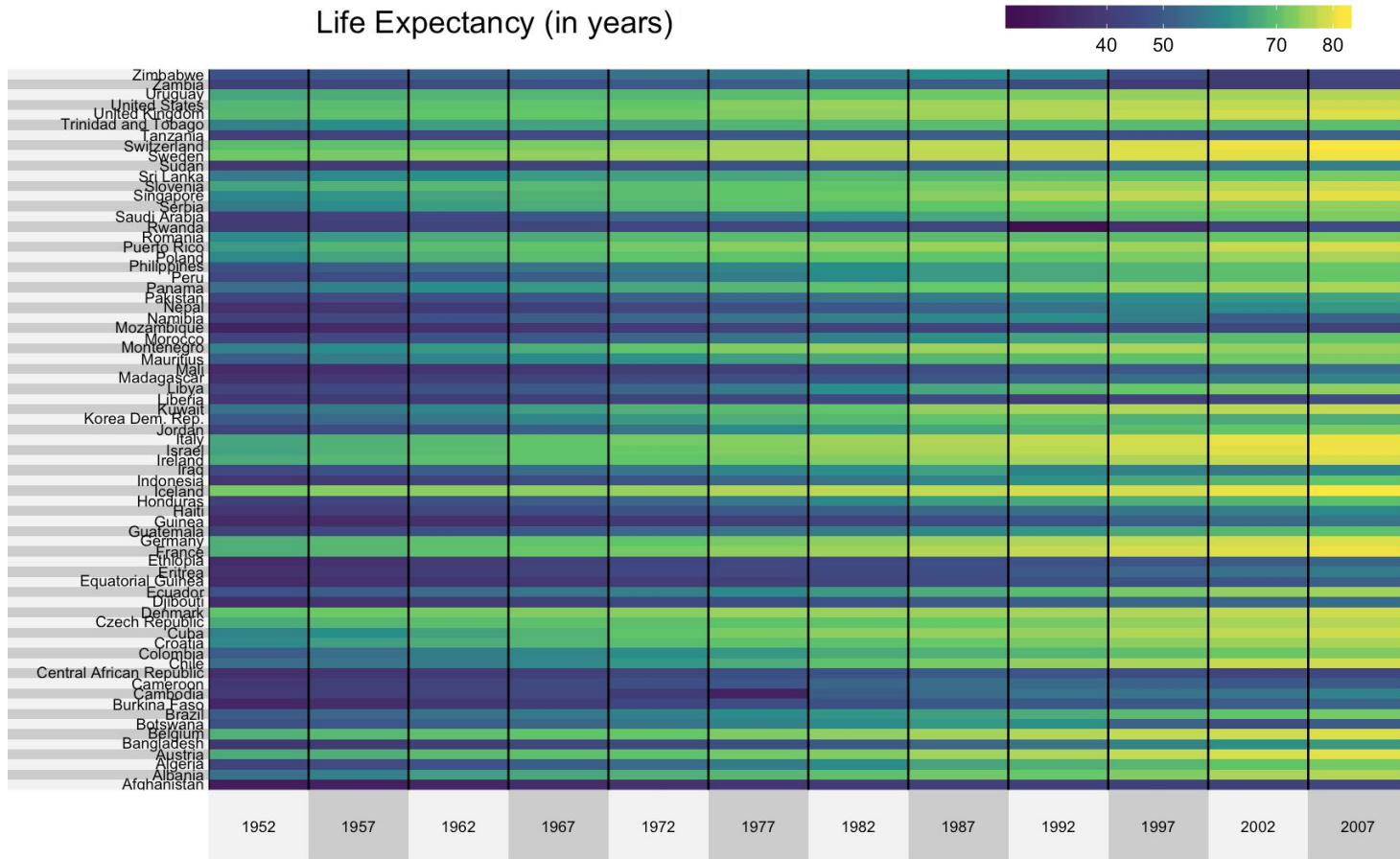
- Default color scheme in base R or ggplot is not always the best choice
- Think about what you are trying to convey in the plot
- Color choices can affect the way we perceive the plot
- Some helpful websites
 - <https://coolers.co/app>
 - <http://colorbrewer2.org/>
 - <https://color.hailpixel.com/>

Beyond the world of ggplot...

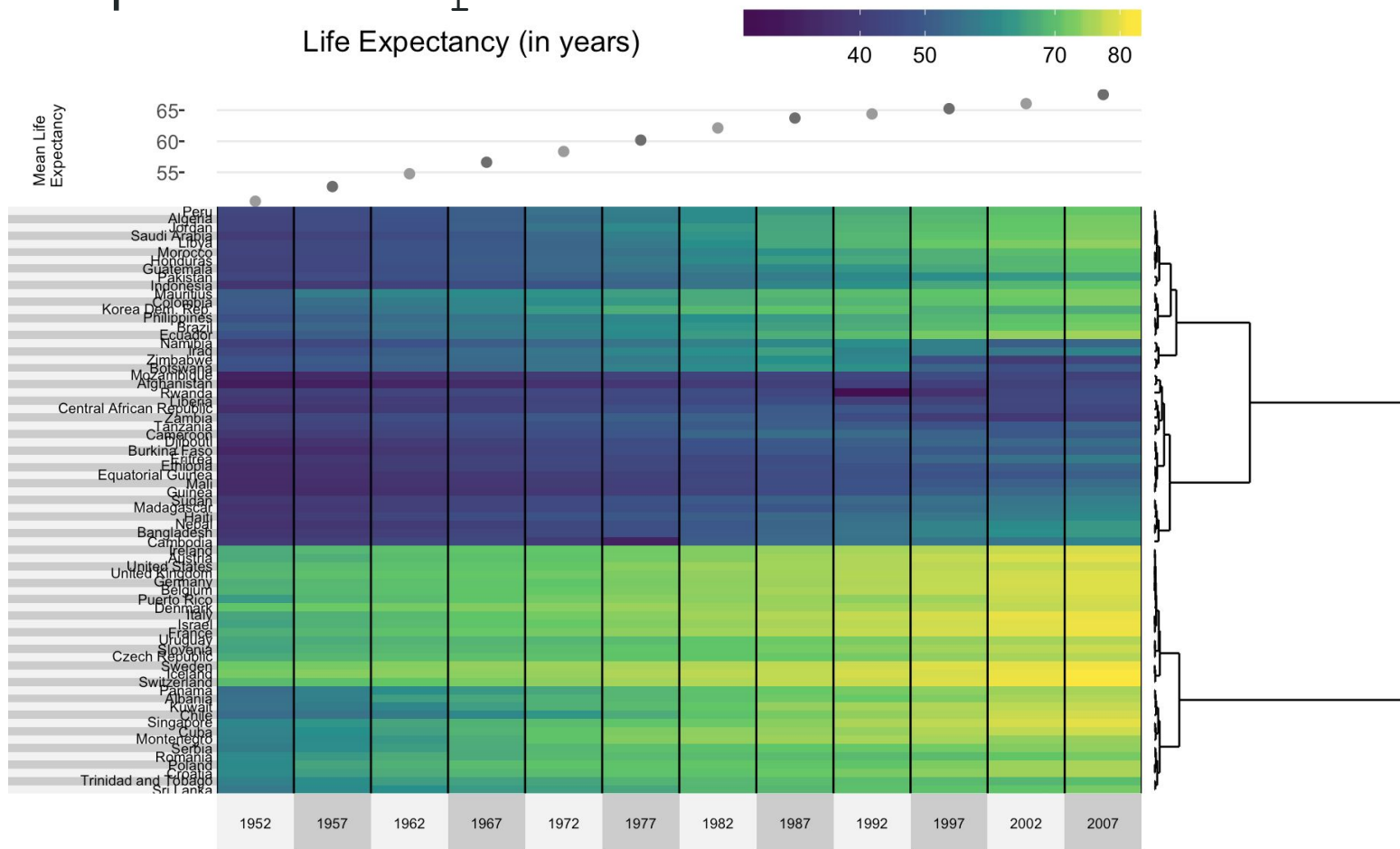
Heatmaps with superheat

```
install.packages("devtools")  
devtools::install_github("rlbarter/superheat")  
library(superheat)
```

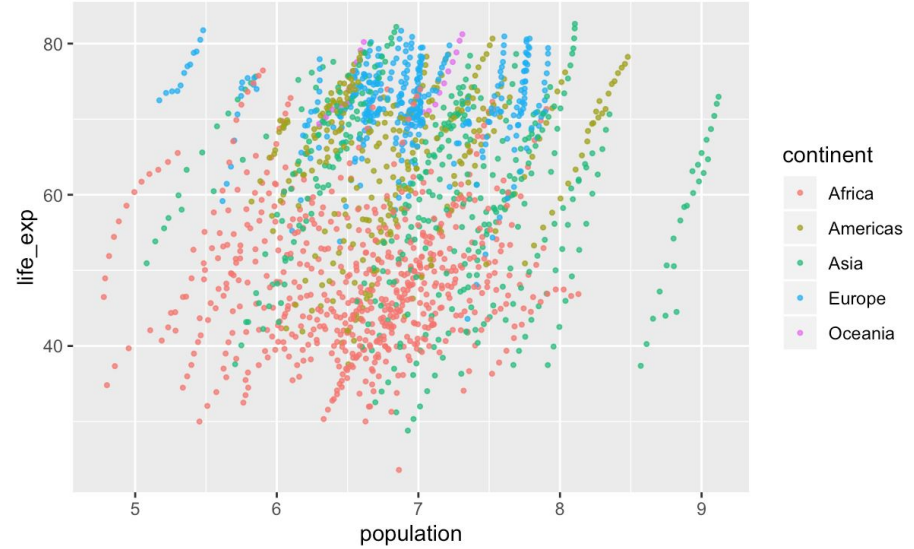
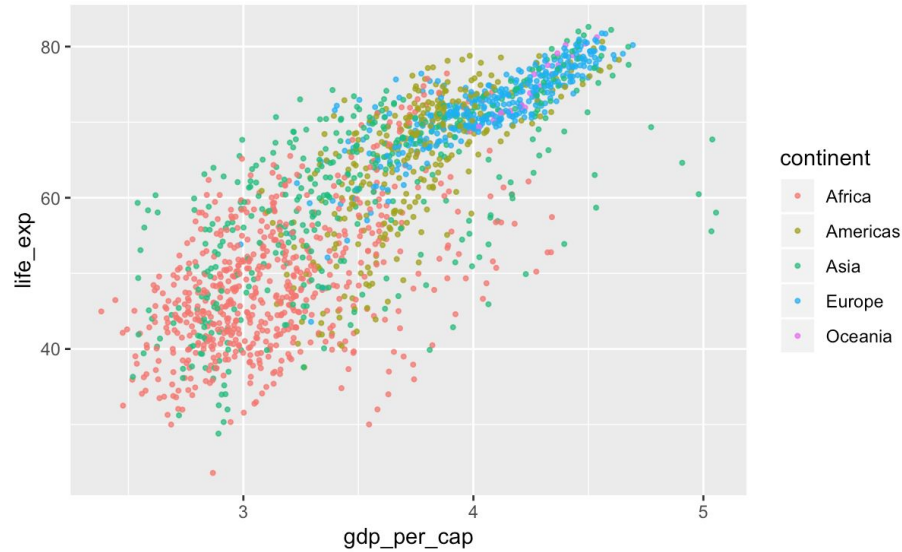
Heatmaps with superheat



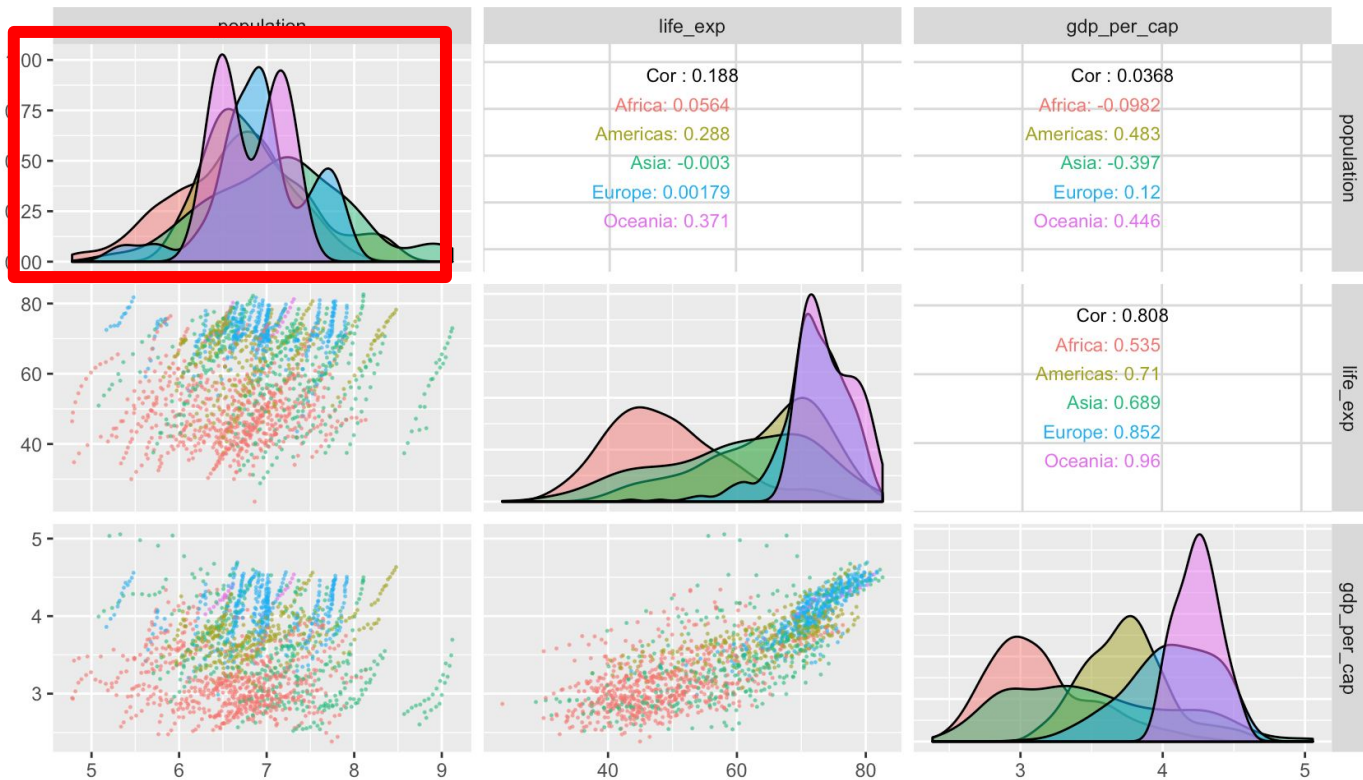
Heatmaps+ with superheat



Pair plots

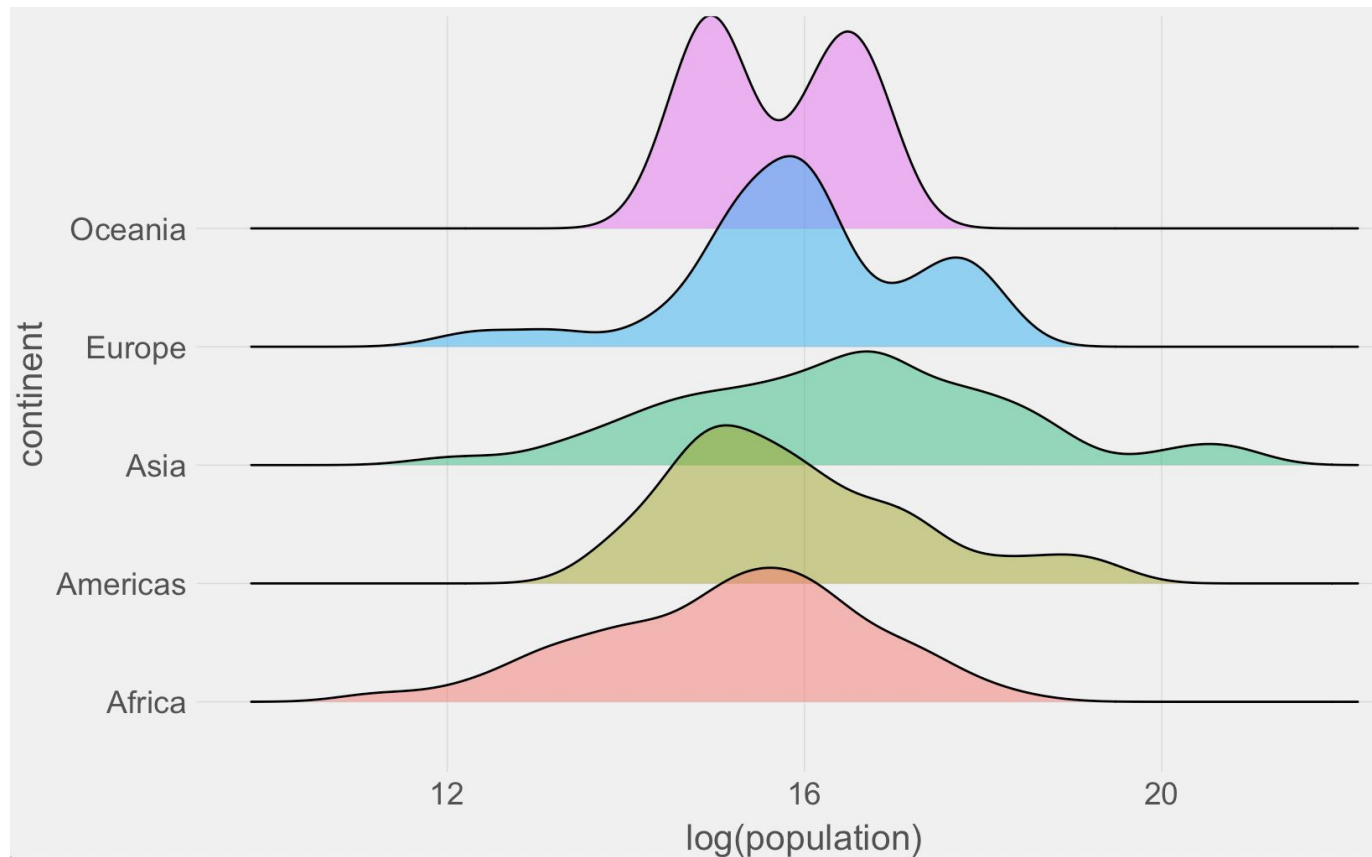


Pair plots with `GGally::ggpairs`



- A word of caution: be wary of over-plotting; consider subsampling points, limiting the number of variables in pair plot, etc.

ggridges: another way of viewing multiple densities

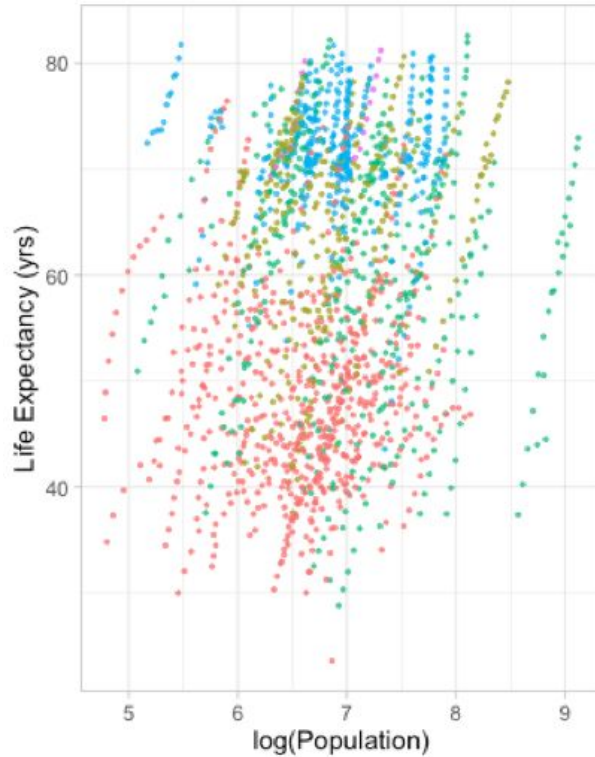


Creating sub-plots

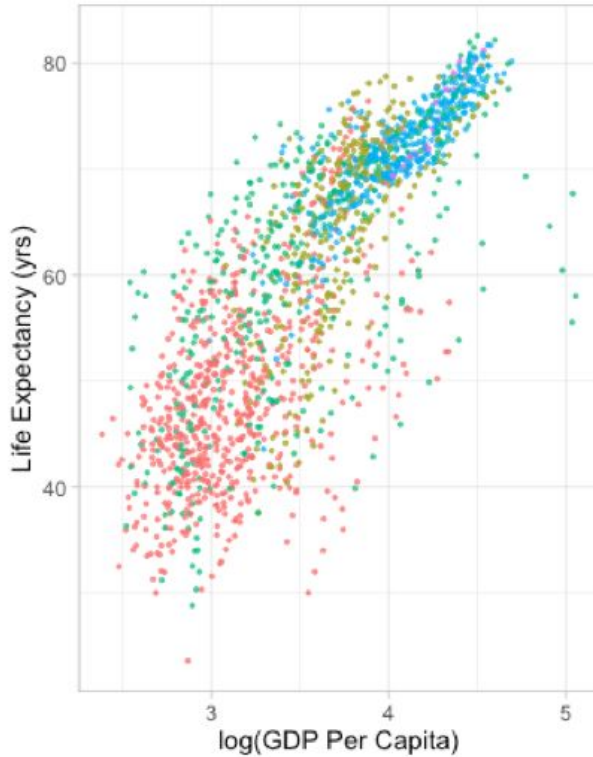
- Two useful functions:
 - `ggpubr::ggarrange()`
 - `gridExtra::grid.arrange()`
- Can easily set a common legend and subplot labels with `ggarrange()`
- `grid.arrange()` is better for fancier “non-matrix” arrangements

ggpubr::ggarrange

A Population vs Life Expectancy

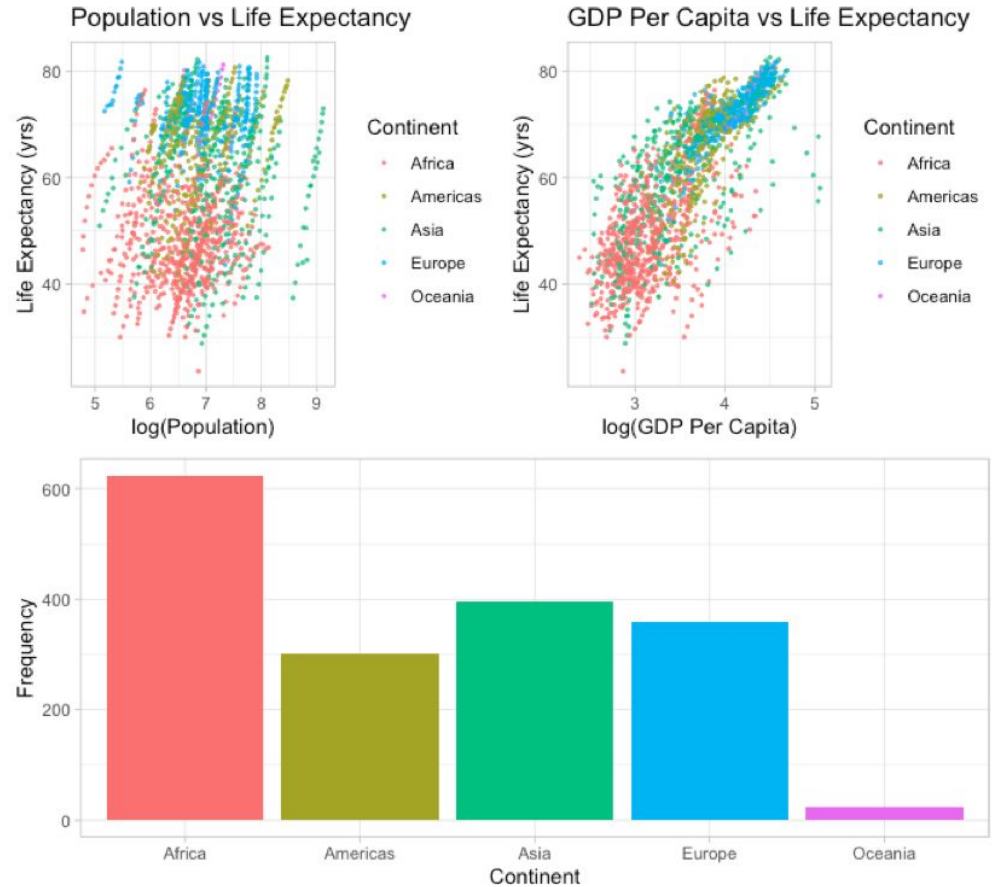


B GDP Per Capita vs Life Expectancy



Continent • Africa • Americas • Asia • Europe • Oceania

```
gridExtra::grid.arrange
```



Interactive plots

- Shiny:
<https://shiny.rstudio.com/gallery>
 - Tutorial:
<https://shiny.rstudio.com/tutorial/>
 - Leaflet
- Plotly: <https://plot.ly/r/>
- Crosstalk:
<https://rstudio.github.io/crosstalk/using.html>
- Highcharter:
<https://jkunst.com/highcharter/index.html>

(a) Weight of linear predictor for May 15

