

HW2: Explore Gapminder and use dplyr

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Exercise 1

1.1 Filter

Use `filter()` to subset the `gapminder` data to three countries of your choice in the 1970's.

```
filtered <- gapminder %>%  
  arrange(year) %>%  
  filter(year > 1969, year < 1980, country == "Canada" | country == "Mexico"  
    | country == "Brazil") %>%  
  arrange(country)
```

1.2 Pipe Operator

Use the pipe operator `%>%` to select “country” and “gdpPercap” from your filtered dataset in 1.1.

```
filtered %>%  
  select(country, gdpPercap)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 2  
##   country gdpPercap  
##   <fct>      <dbl>  
## 1 Brazil      4986.  
## 2 Brazil      6660.  
## 3 Canada     18971.  
## 4 Canada     22091.  
## 5 Mexico      6809.  
## 6 Mexico      7675.
```

1.3 Drop in Life Expectancy

Filter `gapminder` to all entries that have experienced a drop in life expectancy. Be sure to include a new variable that's the increase in life expectancy in your tibble. Hint: you might find the `lag()` or `diff()` functions useful.

```
gapminder %>%  
  group_by(country) %>%  
  arrange(country, year) %>%  
  mutate(change_LE=lifeExp-lag(lifeExp)) %>%  
  filter(change_LE<0)
```

```
## # A tibble: 102 x 7
## # Groups:   country [52]
##   country continent year lifeExp      pop gdpPercap change_LE
##   <fct>      <fct>   <int>   <dbl>   <int>   <dbl>   <dbl>
## 1 Albania  Europe    1992    71.6 3326498    2497.   -0.419
## 2 Angola   Africa    1987    39.9 7874230    2430.   -0.036
## 3 Benin    Africa    2002    54.4 7026113    1373.   -0.371
## 4 Botswana Africa    1992    62.7 1342614    7954.   -0.877
## 5 Botswana Africa    1997    52.6 1536536    8647.  -10.2
## 6 Botswana Africa    2002    46.6 1630347   11004.   -5.92
## 7 Bulgaria Europe    1977    70.8 8797022    7612.   -0.09
## 8 Bulgaria Europe    1992    71.2 8658506    6303.   -0.15
## 9 Bulgaria Europe    1997    70.3 8066057    5970.   -0.87
## 10 Burundi Africa    1992    44.7 5809236     632.   -3.48
## # ... with 92 more rows
```

1.4

Choose one of the following:

**** Filter gapminder so that it shows the max GDP per capita experienced by each country. Hint: you might find the max() function useful here. ****

OR

Filter gapminder to contain six rows: the rows with the three largest GDP per capita, and the rows with the three smallest GDP per capita. Be sure to not create any intermediate objects when doing this (with, for example, the assignment operator). Hint: you might find the sort() function useful, or perhaps even the dplyr::slice() function.

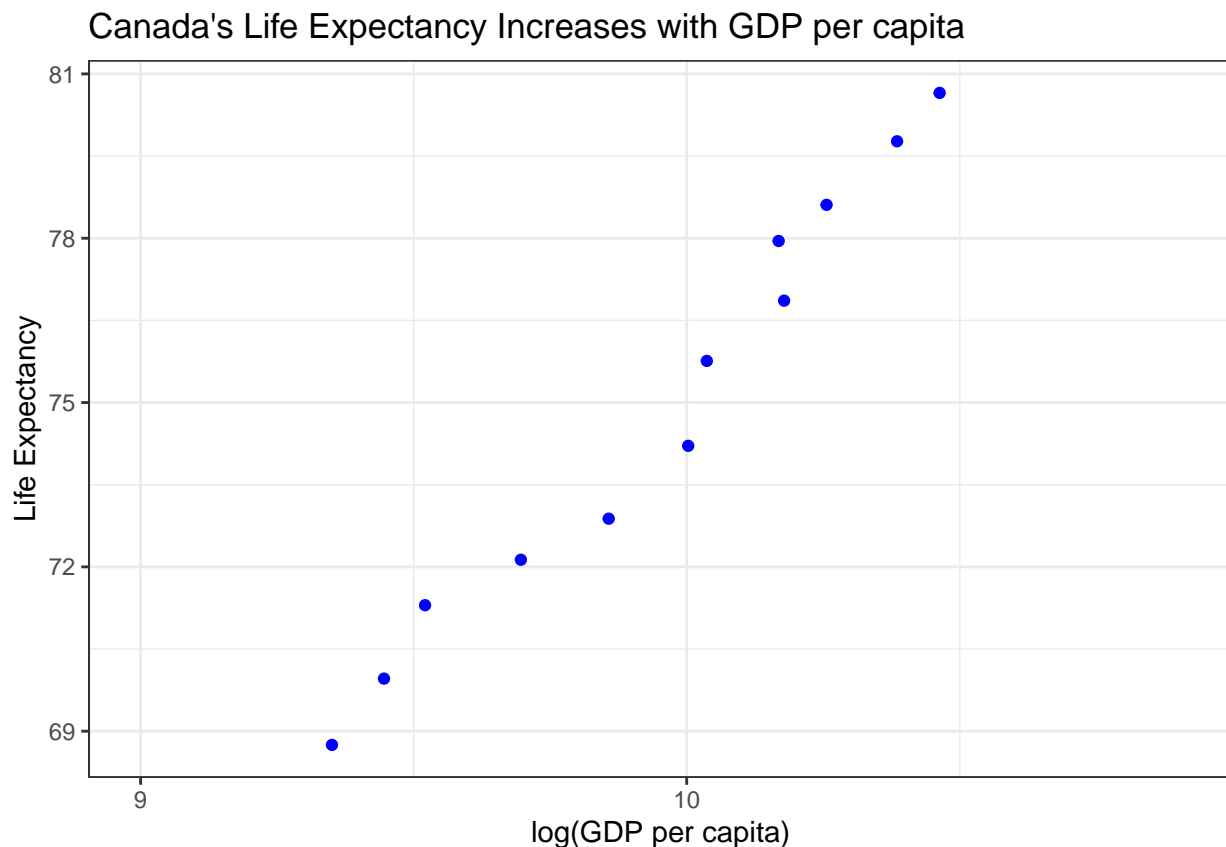
```
gapminder %>%
  group_by(country) %>%
  arrange(country, gdpPercap) %>%
  filter(gdpPercap == max(gdpPercap))
```

```
## # A tibble: 142 x 6
## # Groups:   country [142]
##   country      continent year lifeExp      pop gdpPercap
##   <fct>      <fct>   <int>   <dbl>   <int>   <dbl>
## 1 Afghanistan Asia     1982    39.9 12881816     978.
## 2 Albania     Europe    2007    76.4  3600523    5937.
## 3 Algeria     Africa    2007    72.3 33333216    6223.
## 4 Angola      Africa    1967    36.0  5247469    5523.
## 5 Argentina   Americas  2007    75.3 40301927   12779.
## 6 Australia   Oceania   2007    81.2 20434176   34435.
## 7 Austria     Europe    2007    79.8  8199783   36126.
## 8 Bahrain     Asia     2007    75.6  708573    29796.
## 9 Bangladesh  Asia     2007    64.1 150448339   1391.
## 10 Belgium    Europe    2007    79.4 10392226   33693.
## # ... with 132 more rows
```

1.5

Produce a scatterplot of Canada's life expectancy vs. GDP per capita using ggplot2, without defining a new variable. That is, after filtering the gapminder data set, pipe it directly into the ggplot() function. Ensure GDP per capita is on a log scale.

```
gapminder %>%  
  filter(country == "Canada") %>%  
  ggplot(aes(x=log(gdpPercap),lifeExp)) +  
  scale_x_log10(limits=c(9,11)) +  
  geom_point(colour="blue",) +  
  labs(x="log(GDP per capita)",  
       y="Life Expectancy",  
       title="Canada's Life Expectancy Increases with GDP per capita") +  
  theme_bw()
```



Exercise 2

Pick one categorical variable and one quantitative variable to explore. Answer the following questions in whichever way you think is appropriate, using dplyr:

For this exercise, we will use `continent` as a categorical variable and `pop` as quantitative variable from the `gapminder` data set.

What are possible values (or range, whichever is appropriate) of each variable?

What values are typical? What's the spread? What's the distribution? Etc., tailored to the variable at hand. Feel free to use summary stats, tables, figures.

Exercise 3

Make two plots that have some value to them. That is, plots that someone might actually consider making for an analysis. Just don't make the same plots we made in class – feel free to use a data set from the `datasets` R package if you wish.

A scatterplot of two quantitative variables.
One other plot besides a scatterplot.

You don't have to use all the data in every plot! It's fine to filter down to one country or a small handful of countries.

Bonus

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For people who want to take things further.

Evaluate this code and describe the result. Presumably the analyst's intent was to get the data for Rwanda and Afghanistan. Did they succeed? Why or why not? If not, what is the correct way to do this?

Bonus 2

Present numerical tables in a more attractive form using `knitr::kable()` for small tibbles (say, up to 10 rows), and `DT::datatable()` for larger tibbles.