

MATH1324 Assignment 3

Can money buy happiness?

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Introduction

- Today I am going to try and answer the age-old question. "Can money buy happiness?"
- Researchers have been working on this question for a century or so
- There have been research about how spending money affects your dopamine level which makes you feel rewarded and in-turn makes you happy
- I am interested in finding how money correlates to the happiness in the world. I will do that by using GDP.per.Capita and Happiness.Score from the dataset

Problem Statement

- I am interested in finding correlation between **money** and **happiness**
- From the dataset I got from:- <https://www.kaggle.com/unsdsn/world-happiness/downloads/world-happiness-report.zip/2#2017.csv> (<https://www.kaggle.com/unsdsn/world-happiness/downloads/world-happiness-report.zip/2#2017.csv>) I will work on two specific variables:- GDP.per.Capita and Happiness.Score

Data

- Data has been published by **The World Happiness Report**
- Data has been accessed from:-<https://www.kaggle.com/unsdsn/world-happiness/downloads/world-happiness-report.zip/2#2017.csv> (<https://www.kaggle.com/unsdsn/world-happiness/downloads/world-happiness-report.zip/2#2017.csv>)
- Only **2016.csv** has been used for the statistics and analysis
- Variables in the dataset:
 - **Country** - A total of 155 countries were surveyed, this variable consists of all the 155 countries
 - **Happiness.Rank** - Countries have been ranked as per their Happiness.Score
 - **Happiness.Score** - People were asked about happy they are from 0 to 10, 10 being the happiest. An average was calculated for every individual country and then ranked
 - **Whisker.high** - Higher Confidence Interval of the Happiness Score
 - **Whisker.low** - Lower Confidence Interval of the Happiness Score
 - **Economy..GDP.per.Capita.** - The extent to which GDP contributes to the calculation of the Happiness Score.

Data Cont.

- Remaining variables

- **Family** - The extent to which Family contributes to the calculation of the Happiness Score
- **Health..Life.Expectancy.** - The extent to which Perception of Corruption contributes to Happiness Score
- **Freedom** - The extent to which Freedom contributed to the calculation of the Happiness Score
- **Generosity** - The extent to which Generosity contributed to the calculation of the Happiness Score
- **Trust..Government.Corruption.** - The extent to which Perception of Corruption contributes to Happiness Score
- **Dystopia.Residual** - Least happy people and the personal factors affecting their happiness scored
- The dataset contains 155 observations and 12 variables
- Data is taken in the year 2017
- Happiness.Rank and Economy..GDP.per.Capita. are the two variables we are going to work upon

Below code shows the importing of the dataset

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```
library(readr)
happiness <- read_csv("C:/Users/Suraj/Downloads/2017.csv")
View(happiness)
```

Descriptive Statistics and Visualisation

- Using descriptive statistics we found that mean value of **Happiness.Score** is 5.35 which is moderate if we scale it between 0 to 10
- We also found that 7.53 is the maximum happiness score of the country Norway which sits at number one in ranking
- Rest of the descriptive statistics is given below

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```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(error = TRUE)
happinesssummary <- happiness %>%
  summarise(
    Min = min(Happiness.Score, na.rm = TRUE),
    Q1 = quantile(Happiness.Score, probs = .25, na.rm = TRUE),
    Median = median(Happiness.Score, na.rm = TRUE),
    Q3 = quantile(Happiness.Score, probs = .75, na.rm = TRUE),
    Max = max(Happiness.Score, na.rm = TRUE),
    Mean = mean(Happiness.Score, na.rm = TRUE),
    SD = sd(Happiness.Score, na.rm = TRUE),
    n = n())
happinesssummary
```

Min	Q1	Median	Q3	Max	Mean	SD	n
<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<int>
2.693	4.5055	5.279	6.1015	7.537	5.354019	1.13123	155

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gdpsummary <- happiness %>%
  summarise(
    Min = min(Economy..GDP.per.Capita.,na.rm = TRUE),
    Q1 = quantile(Economy..GDP.per.Capita.,probs = .25,na.rm = TRUE),
    Median = median(Economy..GDP.per.Capita., na.rm = TRUE),
    Q3 = quantile(Economy..GDP.per.Capita.,probs = .75,na.rm = TRUE),
    Max = max(Economy..GDP.per.Capita.,na.rm = TRUE),
    Mean = mean(Economy..GDP.per.Capita., na.rm = TRUE),
    SD = sd(Economy..GDP.per.Capita., na.rm = TRUE),
    n = n())
gdpsummary

```

Min <dbl>	Q1 <dbl>	Median <dbl>	Q3 <dbl>	Max <dbl>	Mean <dbl>	SD <dbl>	n <int>
0	0.6633708	1.064578	1.318027	1.870766	0.9847182	0.4207927	155

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Decsriptive Statistics Cont.

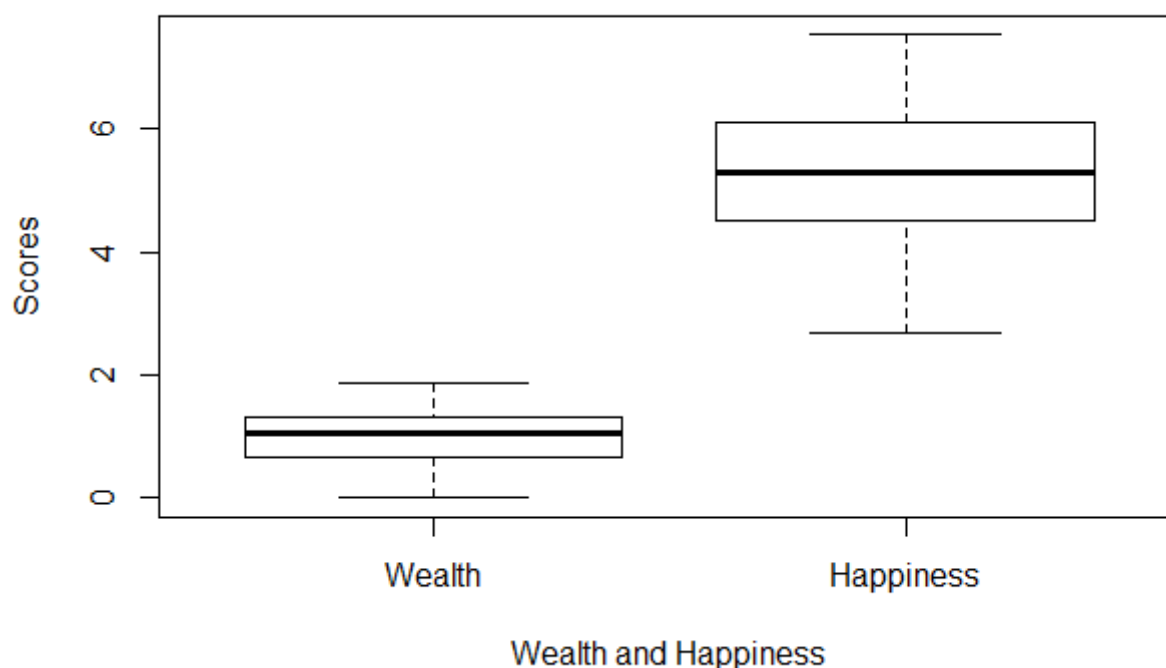
- No outliers were found in both of the variables(Checked using boxplot below.)

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```

boxplot(
  happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita.,
  happiness$Happiness.Score,
  ylab = "Scores",
  xlab = "Wealth and Happiness"
)
axis(1, at = 1:2, labels = c("Wealth", "Happiness"))

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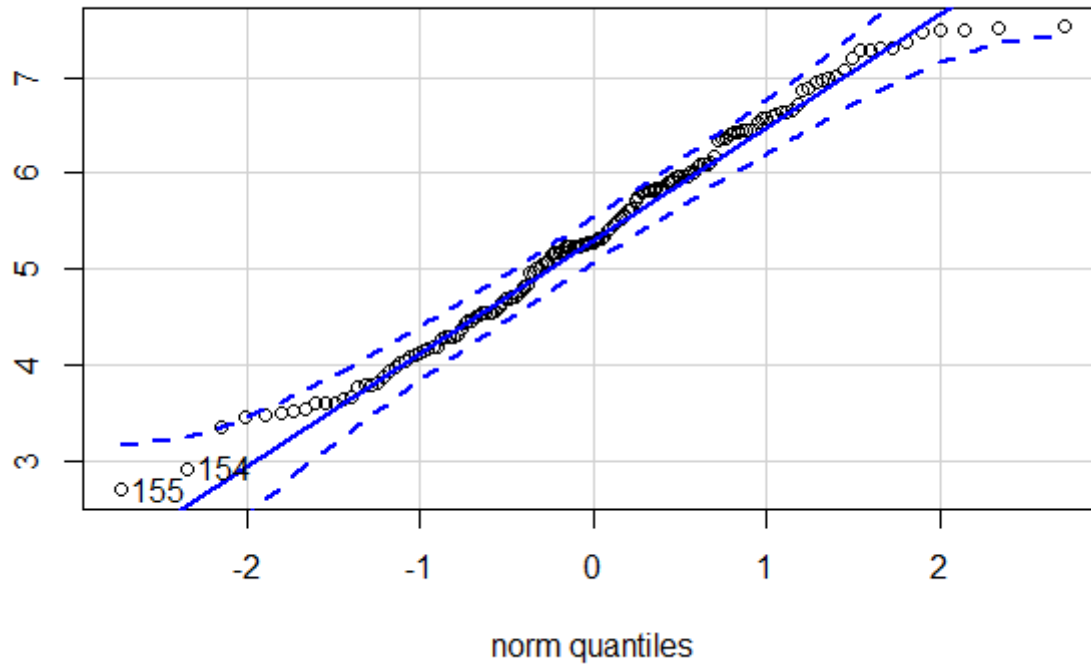
Decsriptive Statistics Cont.(2)

- **Happiness.Score** was found to be normally distributed as per the Q-Q Plot
- **Economy..GDP.per.Capita.** had some slight skew between 1 to 2 quantiles

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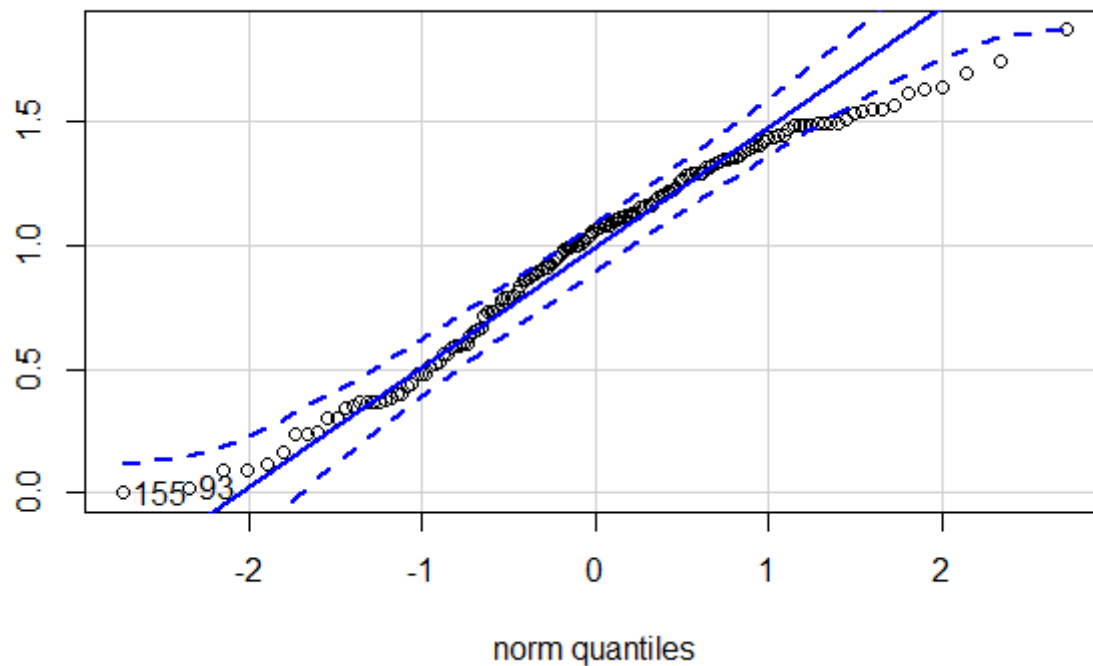
```
happiness$Happiness.Score %>% qqPlot(dist="norm")
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[1] 155 154
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```
happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita. %>% qqPlot(dist="norm")
```

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[1] 155 93
```



T-Test

Paired sample T-Test is used to find mean difference between the two variables. The mean difference came out to be -4.369.

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```
t.test(happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita., happiness$Happiness.Score,
       paired = TRUE,
       alternative = "two.sided")
```

Paired t-test

```
data: happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita. and happiness$Happiness.Score
t = -65.809, df = 154, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 -4.500461 -4.238141
sample estimates:
mean of the differences
      -4.369301
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Linear Regression

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y2 <- happiness$Happiness.Score^2
x2 <- happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita.^2
xy <- happiness$Happiness.Score*happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita.
sum_x <- sum(happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita.)
sum_y <- sum(happiness$Happiness.Score)
sum_x_sq <- sum(happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita.^2)
sum_y_sq <- sum(happiness$Happiness.Score^2)
sum_xy <- sum(happiness$Happiness.Score*happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita.)
n <- length(happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita.) #Sample size

Lxx <- sum_x_sq-((sum_x^2)/n)
Lyy <- sum_y_sq-((sum_y^2)/n)
Lxy = sum_xy - (((sum_x)*(sum_y))/n)
b = Lxy/Lxx
a = mean(happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita. - b*mean(happiness$Happiness.Score))

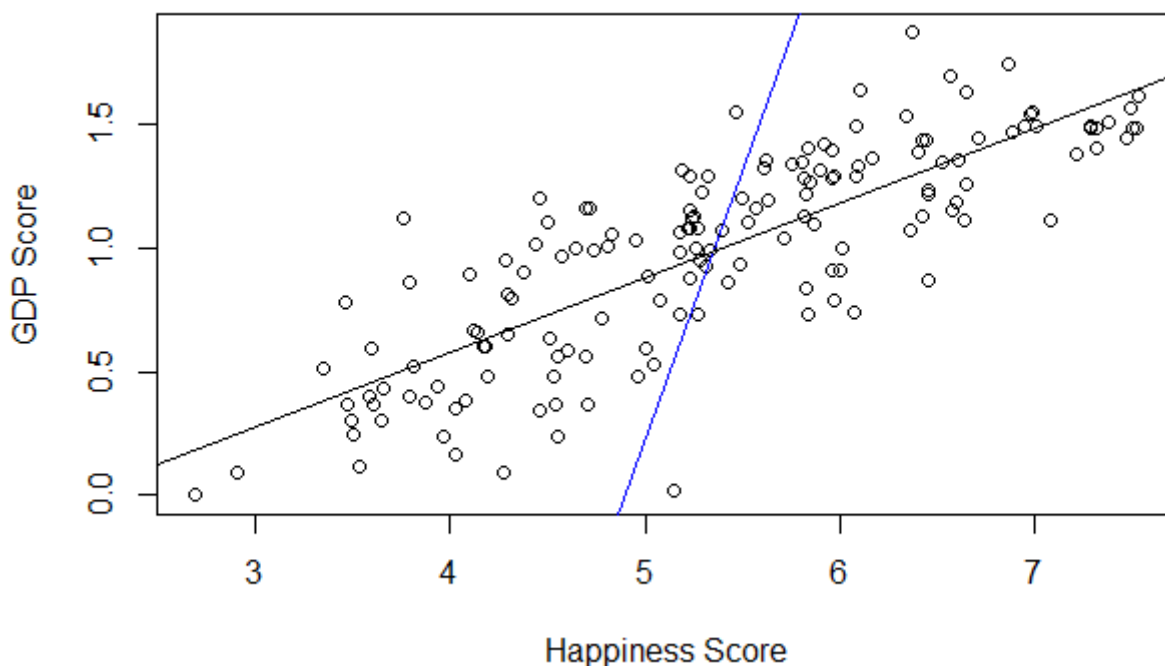
plot(Economy..GDP.per.Capita. ~ Happiness.Score,
     data = happiness, xlab = "Happiness Score", ylab = "GDP Score")

abline(a = a, b = b, col= "blue")

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```
abline(lm(happiness$Economy..GDP.per.Capita. ~ happiness$Happiness.Score))
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happgdp <- lm( Economy..GDP.per.Capita. ~ Happiness.Score, data = happiness)
happgdp %>% summary()

```

Call:

```
lm(formula = Economy..GDP.per.Capita. ~ Happiness.Score, data = happiness)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.90072	-0.16663	0.00354	0.16685	0.61731

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-0.63338	0.09593	-6.603	6.27e-10 ***
Happiness.Score	0.30222	0.01753	17.238	< 2e-16 ***

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.2461 on 153 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.6601, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6579

F-statistic: 297.1 on 1 and 153 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

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```
R2 <- (b*Lxy)/Lyy
R2
```

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[1] 0.6601055
```

Hypothesis Testing

H0:The data do not fit the linear regression model

HA:The data fit the linear regression model

- The p-value turned out to be $p < 0.001$ which is less than 0.05 level of significance. There was statistically significant evidence that the data fit the linear regression model.

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pf(q = 297.1,1,153,lower.tail = FALSE)
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[1] 1.117922e-37
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(R2/(1-R2)*(153/1))
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[1] 297.1396
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```
happgdp %>% anova()
```

Analysis of Variance Table

Response: Economy..GDP.per.Capita.

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Happiness.Score	1	17.9999	17.9999	297.14	< 2.2e-16 ***
Residuals	153	9.2683	0.0606		

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Hypthesis Testing Cont.

- Intercept/constant is reported as $a = -0.633$. The value represents the average Economy..GDP.per.Capita score when happiness score is 0.
- To test the statistical significance of the constant, we set the following statistical hypotheses: $H_0: \alpha = 0$
 $H_A: \alpha \neq 0$
- The hypothesis is tested using t statistic, reported as $t = -6.602591$, $p < .001$. The constant was found statistically significant at 0.05 level. This concludes that there is statistically significant evidence that the constant is not 0.
- Using Residual vs Fitted graphs it was found that the relationship between fitted and residual values is flat, which provides us with an indication that the modelling is a linear relationship.
- There were no major deviations found from normality using the Q-Q plot
- Scale location red line was found to be flat and standardised residuals are consistent across fitted values.
- Outliers were not found to be influential

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```
happgdp %>% summary() %>% coef()
```

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-0.6333762	0.09592844	-6.602591	6.271248e-10
Happiness.Score	0.3022205	0.01753249	17.237739	1.110391e-37

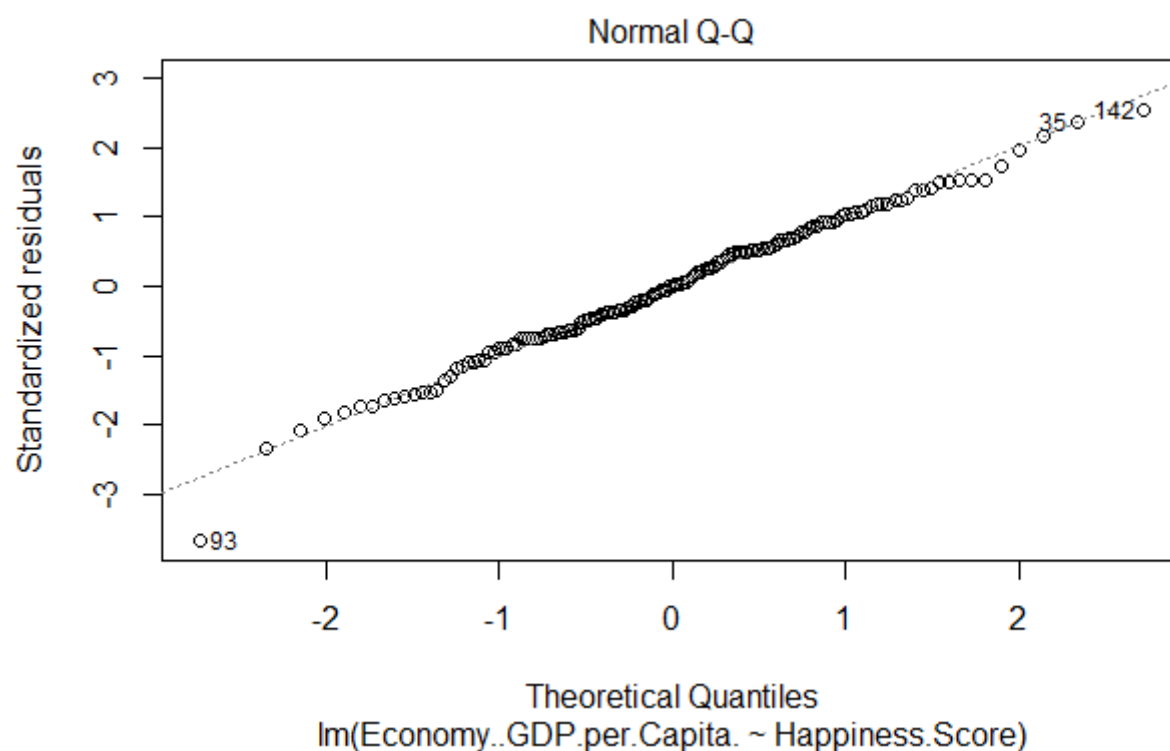
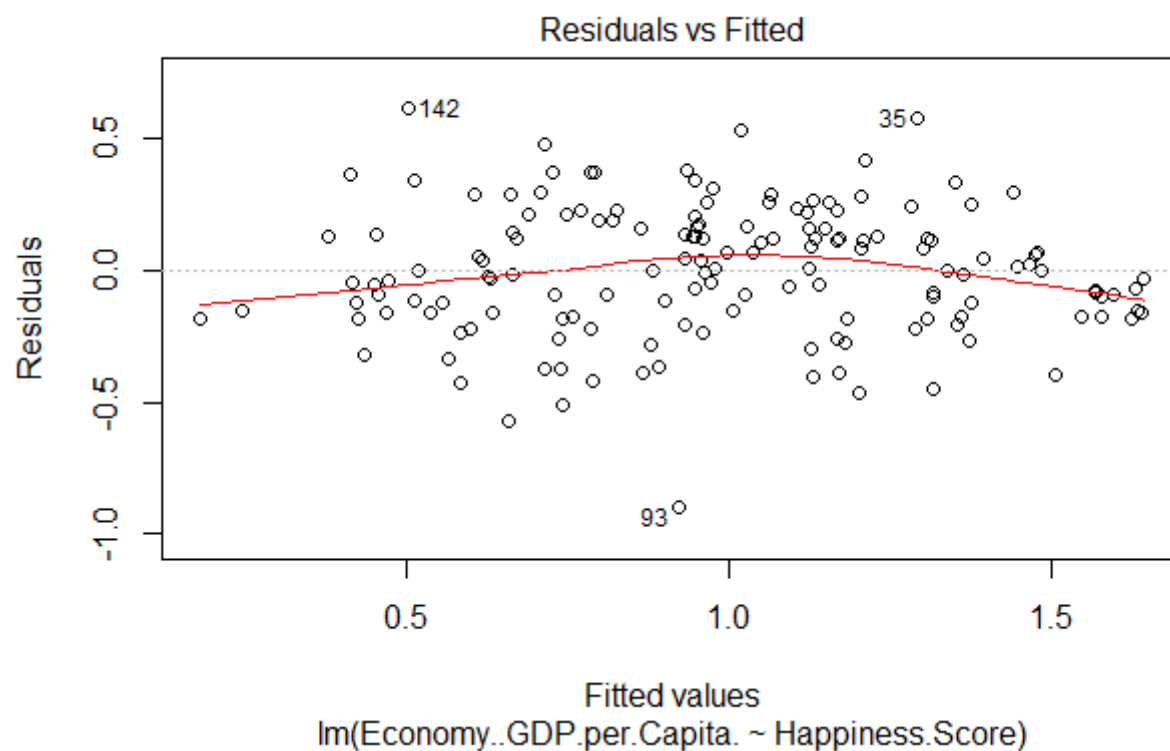
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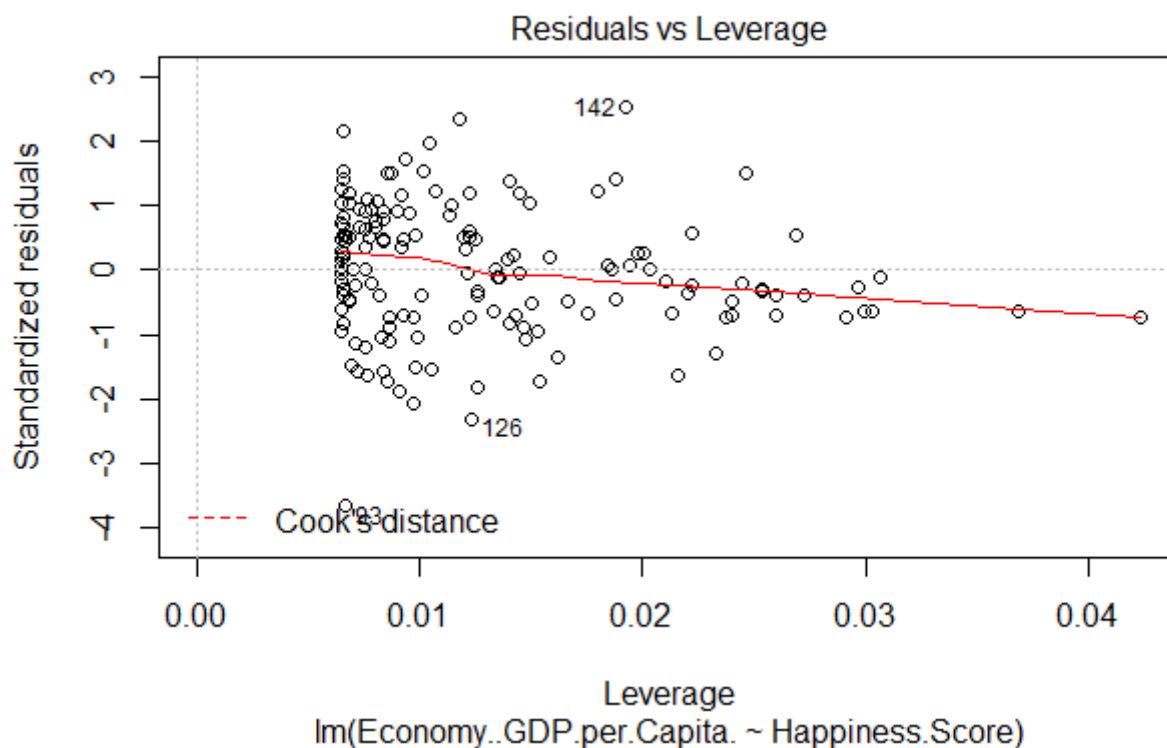
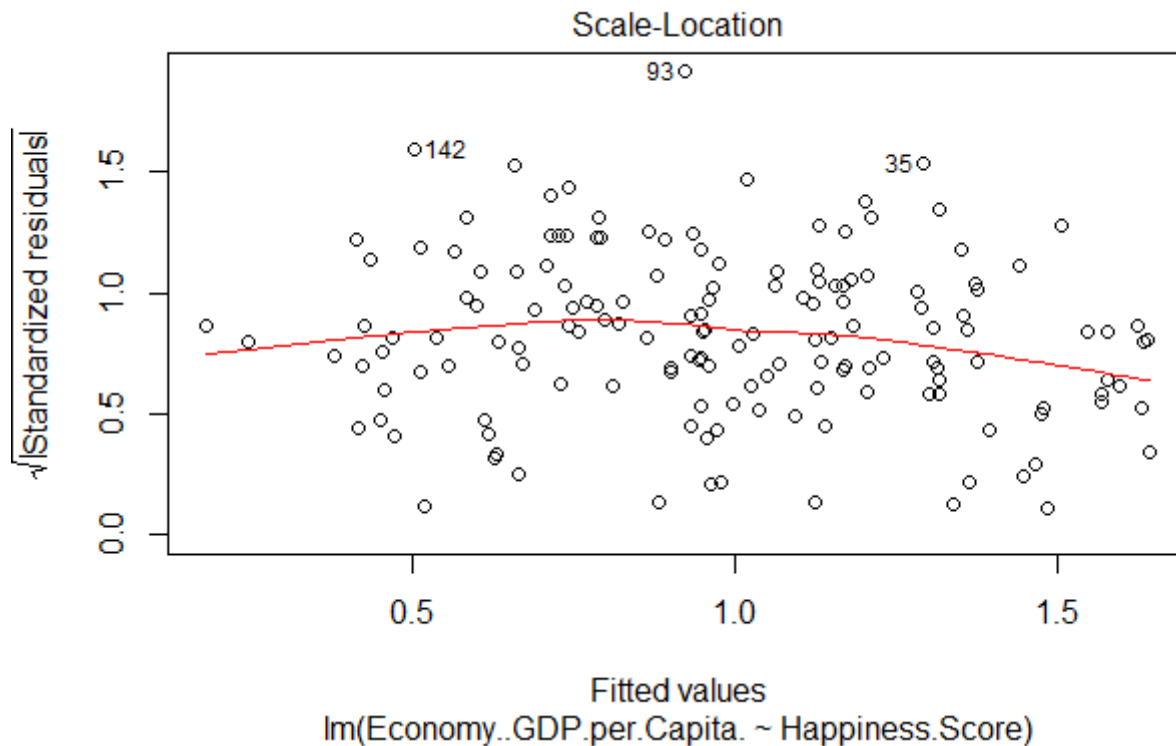
```
happgdp %>% confint()
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	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	-0.8228915	-0.4438609
Happiness.Score	0.2675835	0.3368575

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```
plot(happgdp)
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Discussion

After performing certain tests and working on number of hypothesis it was found that there is a strong correlation between the two variables i.e Happiness.Score and Economy..GDP.per.Capita.

Though there is a correlation between happiness and money there are numerous other factors which also need to be taken into account.

It has been found that money alone doesn't affect happiness in pure correlation. There is a causal relationship but not pure.

Countries that rank at last are also affected by wars which is also a major factor when you take one's happiness into account. No matter how much money you have if you're stranded in middle of a war zone you won't be happy. That's why there are certain limitations. Other factors like family, government trust also comes into account when you are working on a country's happiness score.

In conclusion, there was a strong correlation between wealth and happiness. But other factors also need to be taken into account to find the pure score of one's happiness, wealth alone is not enough.