

# Problem Set 3 - PPOL 6802 Spring 2024

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## Problem Set #3

Here is where you will provide the answers to problem set 3. I will provide you with the basic “buckets” to put everything in to make the R Markdown creation process as straightforward as possible. But remember that if you run into any issues, ChatGPT can be extremely helpful!

### Loading the Data

To complete this problem set, you will need to download the necessary data from Github. You can do that by running the code below:

```
library(tidyverse)

d1 <- read_csv("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/alexlundry/ppol6802_spring24/main/problem_sets/database")
d2 <- read_csv("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/cphalpert/census-regions/master/us%20census%20bureau%20regions.csv")
d3 <- left_join(d1, d2, by = "State")
```

### Question 1 - Bar Chart with Summary Data

Using ggplot2, make a bar chart that shows the average level of education (pct\_bachelors) for counties located in each census Division. Ensure that bars are properly sorted in order and appropriately labelled. You must also have meaningful and accurate title and axis labels.

**Bonus (not required):** Color the bars by their Census Region. (+1 point)

### Question 2 - Grouped boxplot

Using ggplot2, create a horizontal boxplot of pct\_soc\_sec that is grouped by census Region. Ensure that the boxplots are meaningfully sorted. You must also have a meaningful and accurate title and axis labels. Color the boxplots by Region, but make sure there is NOT a legend displayed.

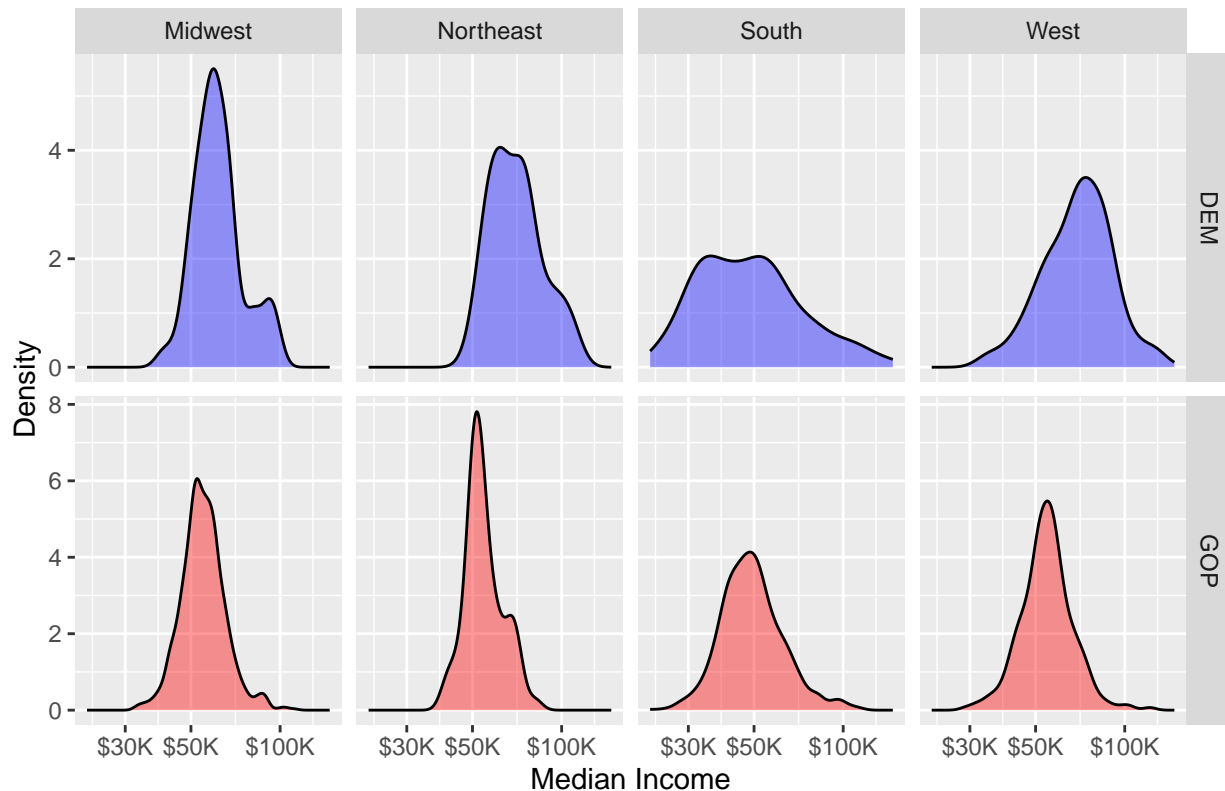
### Question 3 - Plot Reproduction

Using ggplot2, reproduce the plot below. To help you do this, here are a few key notes:

- I have filtered out rows where winner is NA.
- I am visualizing med\_income and coloring by winner

- These are density plots with transparency = 0.4
- The plots are faceted by two variables, **Region** as the columns, and **winner** as the rows.
- The scales of the X axis are fixed, and the scale is logged.
- The X axis labels are formatted for displaying dollars, and the results are in thousands with the “K” suffix.
- There is a title and axis labels.
- There is no legend.

Distribution of County's Median Income by Region & 2020 POTUS Winner



#### Question 4 - Research Question

Oh no! Your try-hard problematic Gen X boss that wants to be a Gen Z just texted you:

“Angela and Kevin over in Accounting asked me if we could whip up a chart showing how each census division contributes to the overall population of a census region. He said it was something about an IRS audit?? ROFL! I told him I’d put my best people on it, but he said something about”plausible deniability”?!? “-(:)/-” Get that to me ASAP - I’ve got an Orange Theory class in an hour.”

What do you send your boss? (don’t overthink this - the chart can be very basic)

**BUTTERUP YOUR BOSS BONUS (not required):** Offer an alternative way to visualize the data they are asking for and make a recommendation for the most effective one to use. (up to +3 points)