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import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import altair as alt
import statsmodels.api as sm
import math
import pylab
import scipy.stats as stats
from statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import variance_inflation_factor
import seaborn as sn
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
alt.data_transformers.disable_max_rows()
alt.renderers.enable('mimetype')
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Out[230... RendererRegistry.enable('mimetype')

PSTAT 100 Final Project (Joint project with two other group members)

World Happiness Report Data

Name	Interpretation	Туре	Units of measurement	
Country name	Name of the country	Categorical	None	
year	Year	Numeric	Years	
Life Ladder	Rating of how happy respondent is with their life on a scale of 1 - 10	Numeric	None	
Log GDP per capita	GDP per capita on log scale	Numeric	None	
Social support	National average of the binary responses to the GWP question "If you were in trouble, do you have relatives or friends you can count on to help you whenever you need them, or not?"	Categorical	None	

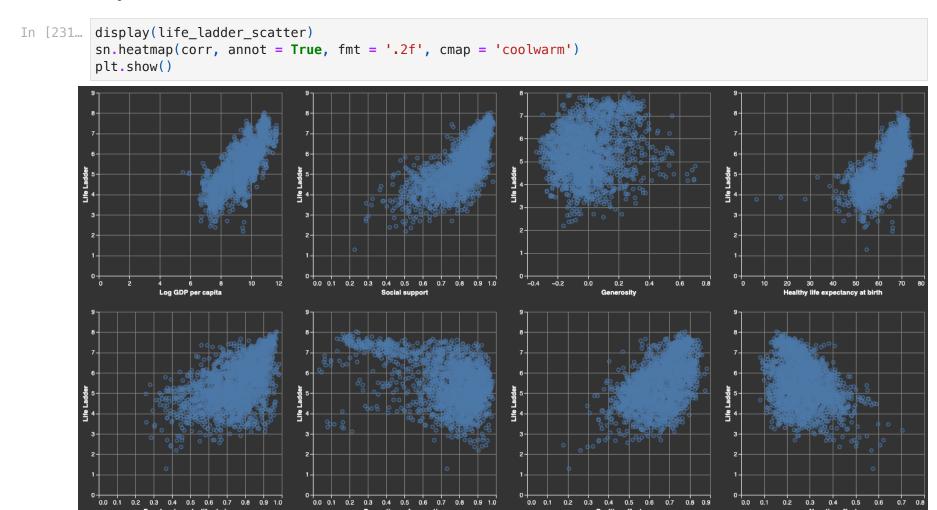
Name	Interpretation	Туре	Units of measurement	
Healthy life expectancy at birth	Life expectancy a birth assuming health is good	Numeric	Years	
Freedom to make life choices	National average of responses to the GWP question "Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with your freedo mto choose what you do with your life?"	Numeric	None	
Generosity	National average of response to the GWP question "Have you donated money to a charity in the past month?"	Numeric	None	
Perceptions of corruption	National average of binary responses to the GWP questions "Is corruption widespread thorughout thre government or not?" and "Is corruption widespread wihin businesses or not?"	Numeric	None	
Positive affect	The average of three positive measures in GWP: laugh, enjoyment, and doing interesting things, measured by question responses	Numeric	None	
Negative affect	The average of three negative measures in GWP: worry, sadness, and anger, measured by question reponses	Numeric	None	
region	Geographic region of country	Categorical	None	
sub-region	Geographic sub-region of country	Categorical	None	

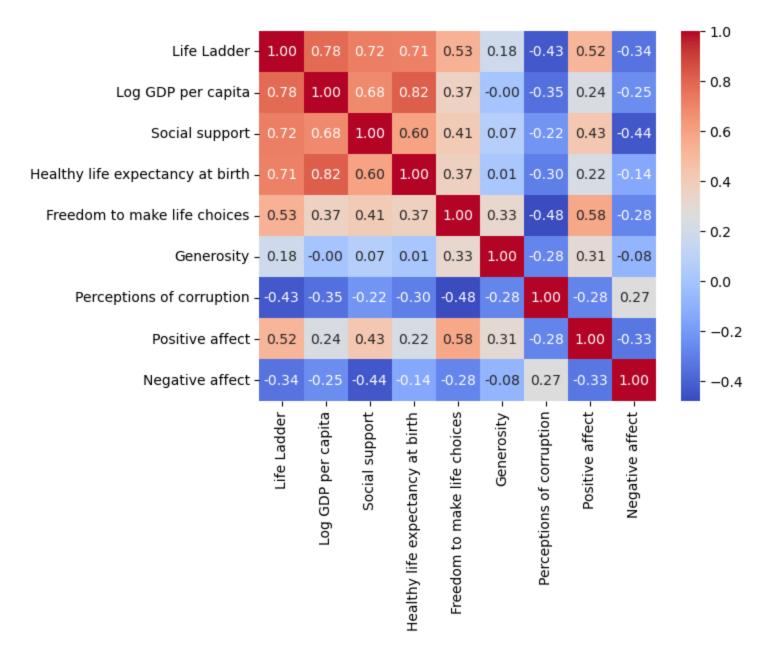
The world happiness report offers a comprehensive view of global well-being through the evaluation of a diverse set of factors. The dataset is updated anually and provides valuable insights on the complex interplay of social, economic, and envirnomental elements. The data is pulled from the Gallup World Poll (GWP) which surverys at least 1,000 individuals from each country included in the dataset. Individuals were asked a range of questions relation to their financial well being, social life, environment, and life outlook.

Questions of Interest

- 1. What is the relationship between life ladder and the other variables, is there any correlation?
- 2. Which variables are the most correlated with positive effect, and does money buy happiness?
- 3. Is there a discrepancy in life ladder across geographical regions and if so, why?
- 4. How did large scale world events affect happiness?
- 5. Given a set of features, are we able to predict happiness using linear regression?

Question 1: What is the relationship between life ladder and the other variables, is there any correlation?

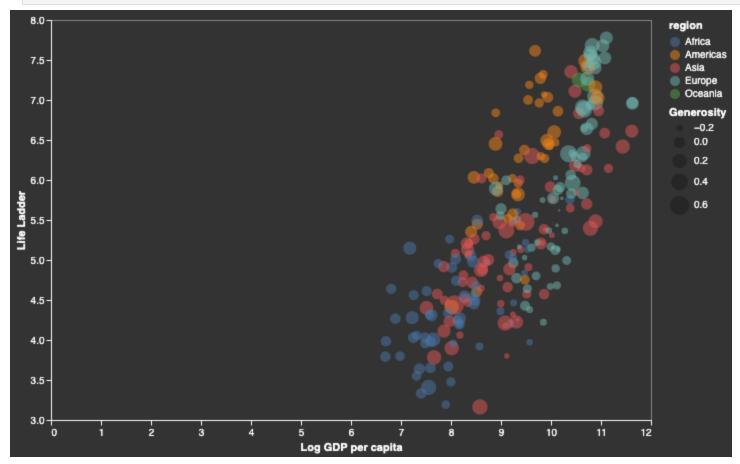




As we can see from the visuals, it seems as if most of the variables have a positive linear relationship with "Life Ladder" with the exception of "Generosity", which has almost no relationship. This is a surprising result and it seems to say that the more happy we are, the less we pay attention to the troubles of other people. There's a saying that misery loves company and this

seems to be the antithesis, that happy people are living in their own blissful world. Another conclusion we can draw from the visuals is that "Perceptions of corruption" and "Negative affect" have weak negative linear relationships, which makes sense bacause these quantify unhappiness. It seems that by a wide margin "Log GDP per capita", "Social support" and "Healthy life expectancy at birth" seem to have the strongest positive correlation with "Life Ladder" and we further explore this below.

In [232... display(life_gdp)

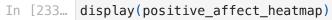


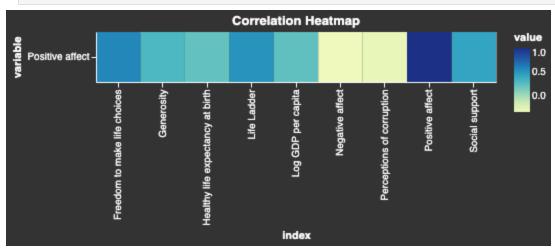
Our visual includes "Log GDP per capita" (x), "Healthy life expectancy at birth" (y), grouped by "region", and finally sized by "Generosity". Only data from 2009 and 2012 was examined, otherwise there would be too much data to visualize any trends. These years were chosen as they had the most median "Life Ladder" values, so it was likely that we would get a wide range of values (above and below the mean). Through this visual, we can see that there is a small cluster in the top right portion that is high on everything ("Generosity", "Log GDP per capita", and "Life Ladder"). Most of these are colored green which fall in

Europe. On the other hand, in the bottom left corner there is a cluster of small circles (likely a generosity below 0) which fall under Africa. It seems that the obvious conclusion is that wealthier regions tend to also have happier people living there. We saw above in the scatter plot and correlation matrix that there didn't seem to be a relationship between "Generosity" and "Life Ladder", however in the plot above we see that despite there is a pattern based on region. It seems that irrespective of "Life Ladder" and "Log GDP per capita", Asia seems to have evenly distributed generosity values while only wealthier and happier European countries seems to be generous. We're unable to explore this quirk further but it may be due to cultural differences between Eastern and Western societies.

Question 2: Which variables are the most correlated with positive effect, and does money buy happiness?

In the previous question we analyzed our data with respect to "Life Ladder" which can be used as an overall measure of long term happiness. However, another approach we can take is analyzing these variables with respect to positive affect. Based on the questions posed by the GWP, positive affect seems to be a plausible stand in for short term happiness on a day to day basis.



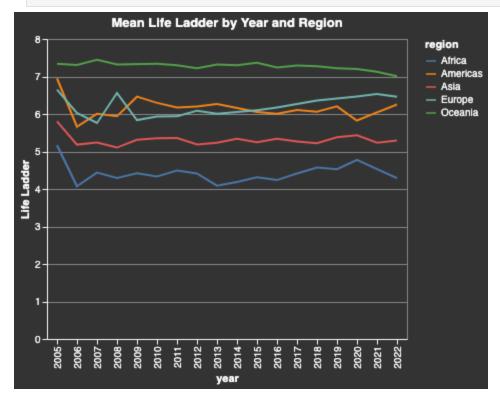


It seems that the two strongest correlations, excluding "Life Ladder", seem to be with "Freedom to make life choices" and "Social support". Based on the GWP questions used to quantify these two variables it seems that these aspects of happiness are very subjective, even more so than the other variables. These two variables seem to tap into the emotions of the

respondent; it makes sense that having friends/family you can depend on and feeling like you control the direction of your life directly imapets your short term emotional state.

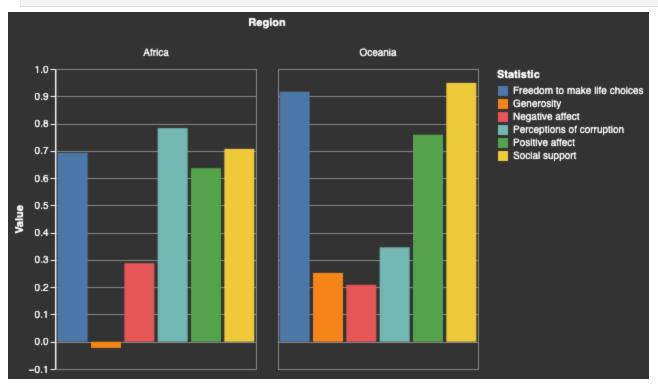
Question 3: Is there a discrepancy in life ladder across geographical regions and if so, why?

In [234... display(life_ladder_region)



The first thing we did is to creater a "Life Ladder" vs "year" line graph and group by regions so we can see how happiness varies across countries and between years. It should come as no surprise that Oceania (which includes Australia/New Zealand) and Europe rank among the top regions in happiness while Africa ranks at the bottom. The obvious conclusion that we can draw from this is that first world countries enjoy a higher standard of living and are therefore happier. This is corroborated by our earlier analysis that shows that "Log GDP per capita" has the strongest correlation with "Life Ladder". Our next step is to compares how the other variables vary among the happiest region and the least happy region.

In [235... display(most_least_happy)



Just as expected Oceania scores higher in all positive categories when compared to Africa and below we show that these differences in happiness are statistically significant.

```
In [236... # Define the two groups
    oceania = whr[whr['region'].isin(['Oceania'])]['Life Ladder']
    africa = whr[whr['region'].isin(['Africa'])]['Life Ladder']

# Calculate the mean positive affect for each group
    mean_oceania = oceania.mean()
    mean_africa = africa.mean()

# Remove NaN values from the Europe, Africa, and Asia group
    africa_cleaned = africa.dropna()

# Perform the t-test again with the cleaned data
    t_stat, p_value = stats.ttest_ind(oceania, africa, equal_var = False)
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# Display the new t-statistic and p-value
(t_stat, p_value)
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Out[236... (81.05059504862174, 5.293039104143237e-153)

Using an alpha = 0.05 significance level, we can confidently conclude that the difference between the groups is statistically significant and such a small p-value really emphasizes just how big this discrepancy really is. One last thing I wanted to check out is the cultural makeup of the regions, i.e. how many countries make up each region.

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Out[237... region
Africa 49
Americas 27
Asia 47
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countries_per_region

Europe 40 Oceania 2

In [237...

Name: Country name, dtype: int64

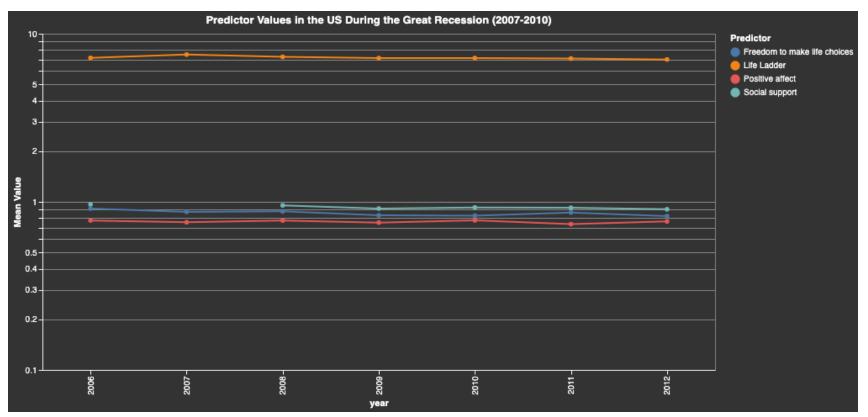
The happiest region had the least amount of countries while the least happy region had the greatest number of countries. One aspect that would be interesting to explore is how cultural homogenity affects happiness. It could be plausible that there is some racial/cultural tension that is not fully captured by this data set.

Question 4: How did large scale events affect happiness?

United States Great Recession

The first large scale event we decided to explore is the Great Recession in the United States

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In [238... display(mean_line_chart)
    print('t-statistic:', t_stat)
    print('p-value:', p_value)
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t-statistic: 81.05059504862174 p-value: 5.293039104143237e-153

Just as we expected it seems that Life Ladder was on the constant decline starting in 2007, however we needed to make sure that this was a statistically significant decline so like before we calculated the p-value at a 0.05 significance level and we can confidently say that this decline was statistically significant.

2020 COVID World Pandemic

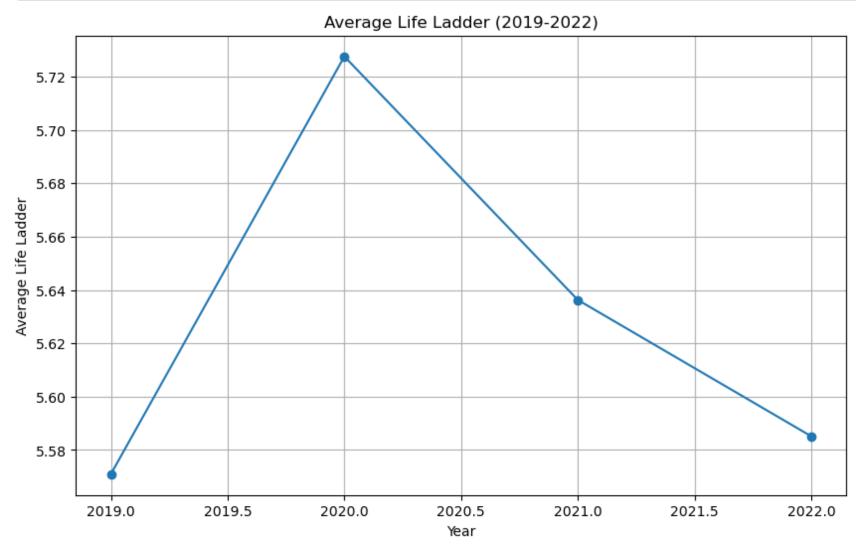
The next event we were interested in analyzing is possibly the one event that comes to mind when people think of large scale event that affected happiness and that's the COVID Pandemic.

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In [239... average_positive_affect = whr[whr['year'].isin([2019, 2020, 2021, 2022])].groupby('year')['Life Ladder'].me

# Create a bar chart to visualize the average positive affect

# Create a line chart using matplotlib to visualize the average positive affect
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plt.figure(figsize = (10, 6))
plt.plot(average_positive_affect['year'], average_positive_affect['Life Ladder'], marker = 'o')
plt.title('Average Life Ladder (2019-2022)')
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Average Life Ladder')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



Based on the graphic above the trend seems clear that beginning in 2020 average life ladder values began a sharp decline.

In [240... display(cases_with_whr.head(5))

	Country	2021 Covid	2020 Life Ladder	2021 Life Ladder	Change
106	Zambia	228731	4.838	3.082	-1.756
70	Nepal	567838	5.982	4.622	-1.360
8	Bangladesh	1072029	5.280	4.123	-1.157
74	Nigeria	154937	5.503	4.479	-1.024
37	Ghana	91055	5.319	4.378	-0.941

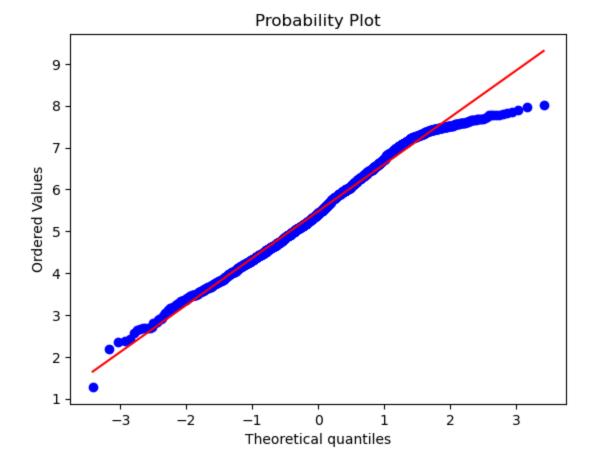
Continuing our analysis of regions, we constructed the table above will contains the country name, the number of covid cases in 2021, the life ladder value in 2020 and 2021, and the change in the life ladder between years. What you see above is the top 5 countries with the greatest decreases in life ladder values and in line with out previous analysis, all of the countries are in Asia and Africa which are the two regions with the lowest mean life ladder value.

Question 5: Given a set of features, are we able to predict happiness using linear regression?

As the final step in our analysis we chose to fit a multiple linear regression model to the data and see how well we could predict "Life Ladder". The first step in our process was to check the assumptions for linearity and those are

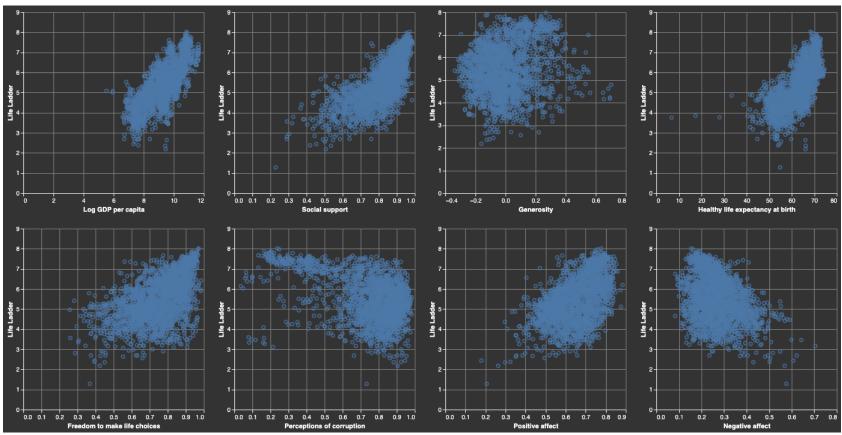
- 1. The response is normally distributed
- 2. The mean response is linear in the predictors
- 3. The observations are independent
- 4. The residuals are normally distributed with mean 0 and constant variance

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In [241... stats.probplot(whr["Life Ladder"], dist = "norm", plot = pylab)
    pylab.show()
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In [242... life_ladder_scatter

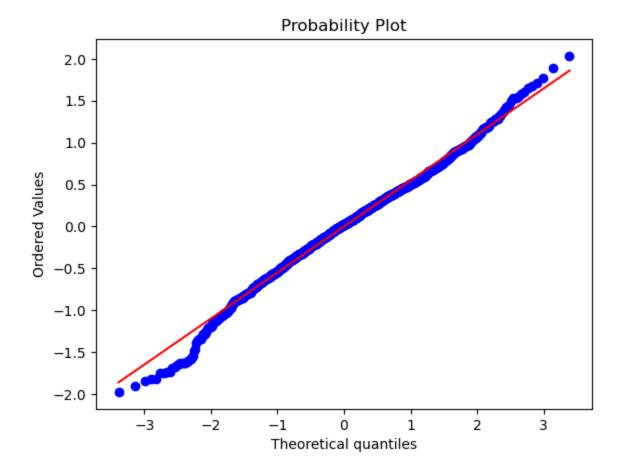




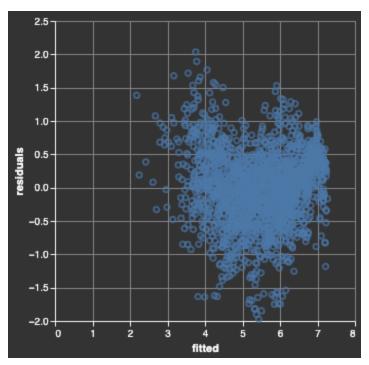
In [243... print(vif_data)

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feature VIF
Log GDP per capita 4.274933
Social support 2.696033
Healthy life expectancy at birth 3.449044
Freedom to make life choices 1.924405
Perceptions of corruption 1.451232
Positive affect 1.740433
Negative affect 1.403463
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In [244... stats.probplot(res_fit_data["residuals"], dist="norm", plot=pylab)
    pylab.show()
    resid_plot
```



Out [244...



It seems from the plots that all of our assumptions are satisifed so we can fit the model. The full details can be found in the Code Appendix but below we have the coefficient estimates and our R-squared value.

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In [245... print(coef_tbl)
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print('r-squared:', r_squared)

	estimate	standard error
const	-3.683541	0.149475
Log GDP per capita	0.427353	0.021789
Social support	1.506152	0.162006
Healthy life expectancy at birth	0.028011	0.003268
Freedom to make life choices	0.842994	0.115396
Positive affect	2.476112	0.152632
Negative affect	-0.307475	0.169844
error variance	0.303916	NaN
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r-squared: 0.7672797667494986

We have a final r-squared value of 0.76 which means that our model explains 76% of the variance in the data which is pretty good considering that we are trying to predict something as elusive as happiness.

Conclusion

In conclusion, we find that both long term and short term happiness are affected by different variables. The prevailing factors affecting long term happiness seem to be more permanent in nature. Take for example "Log GDP per capita", something not easily changed and more of a national concern that is out of the control of the common folk. In contrast the prevailing factors affecting short term happiness seem to be things that are in control on an individual basis, such as a person's social circle and their feeling of freedom.

Code Appendix

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In [213... # Reading in our datasets
whr_raw = pd.read_csv("data/whr-2023.csv")
    regions = pd.read_csv("data/regions.csv")
    covid = pd.read_csv("data/WHO-COVID-19-global-data.csv")

In [214... # Merging our regions dataset with the whr data on "Country name"
    regions.rename(columns = {'name':'Country name'}, inplace = True)
    regions.drop(regions.columns.difference(['Country name','sub-region', 'region']), axis = 1, inplace = True
    regions.head()

# Taking a look at the data
# It looks like it's already tidy so no further processing is necessary
    whr = pd.merge(whr_raw, regions, how = 'left', on = 'Country name')
    whr.head()
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	Country name	year	Life Ladder	Log GDP per capita	Social support	Healthy life expectancy at birth	Freedom to make life choices	Generosity	Perceptions of corruption	Positive affect	Negative affect	regior
0	Afghanistan	2008	3.724	7.350	0.451	50.5	0.718	0.168	0.882	0.414	0.258	Asia
1	Afghanistan	2009	4.402	7.509	0.552	50.8	0.679	0.191	0.850	0.481	0.237	Asia
2	Afghanistan	2010	4.758	7.614	0.539	51.1	0.600	0.121	0.707	0.517	0.275	Asia
3	Afghanistan	2011	3.832	7.581	0.521	51.4	0.496	0.164	0.731	0.480	0.267	Asia
4	Afghanistan	2012	3.783	7.661	0.521	51.7	0.531	0.238	0.776	0.614	0.268	Asia

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In [215... # Checking the linear relationship between life ladder and predictors

fig_1 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
    y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
    x = alt.X("Log GDP per capita")
)

fig_2 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
    y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
    x = alt.X("Social support")
)

fig_3 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
    y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
    x = alt.X("Generosity")
)

fig_4 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
    y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
    x = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
    x = alt.X("Healthy life expectancy at birth")
)
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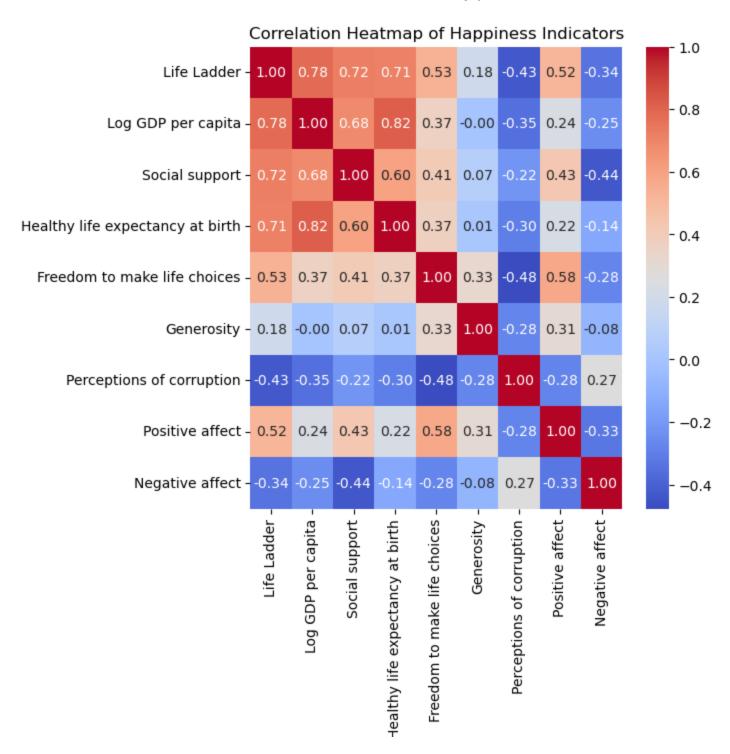
sn.heatmap(corr, annot = True, fmt = '.2f', cmap = 'coolwarm')

plt.title('Correlation Heatmap of Happiness Indicators')

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fig_5 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
             y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
             x = alt.X("Freedom to make life choices")
         fig_6 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
             y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
             x = alt.X("Perceptions of corruption")
         fig_7 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
             y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
             x = alt.X("Positive affect")
         fig_8 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
             y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
             x = alt.X("Negative affect")
         upper = fig_1 | fig_2 | fig_3 | fig_4
         lower = fig_5 | fig_6 | fig_7 | fig_8
         life_ladder_scatter = alt.vconcat(upper, lower)
In [216... # Correlation matrix
         corr = whr.select_dtypes(include = ['float64']).corr()
         # Plot the heatmap
         plt.figure(figsize = (6, 6))
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plt.show()



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In [217... # Further exploring the strongest relationships with Life Ladder
         data 2009 2012 = whr[whr['year'].isin([2009, 2012])]
         life_gdp = alt.Chart(data_2009_2012).mark_circle(opacity = 0.5).encode(
             x = alt.X('Log GDP per capita:Q'),
             y = alt.Y('Life Ladder', title = 'Life Ladder', scale = alt.Scale(zero = False)),
             color = 'region',
             size = 'Generosity'
         ).properties(
             width = 600,
             height = 400
         ).configure axis(
             grid = False
In [218... # Calculate the heatmap for positive affect
         corr matrix = whr.select dtypes(include = ['float64']).corr()
         # Create a dataframe for a heatmap
         corr df = corr matrix.reset index().melt('index')
         # Create the heatmap
         heatmap = alt.Chart(corr df).mark rect().encode(
             x = 'index:0',
             y = 'variable:0',
             color = 'value:Q'
         ).properties(
             title = 'Correlation Heatmap',
             width = 400,
             height = 50
         # Filter to only show correlations for 'Life Ladder'
         positive affect heatmap = heatmap.transform filter(
             alt.datum.variable == 'Positive affect'
In [219... # Calculate the mean life ladder by year and subregion
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mean_life_ladder = whr.groupby(['year', 'region'])['Life Ladder'].mean().reset_index()

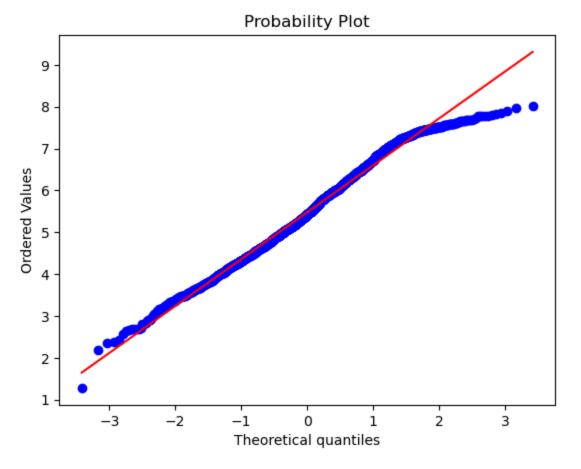
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# Creating plot
life_ladder_region = alt.Chart(mean_life_ladder).mark_line().encode(
    x = alt.X('year:0', scale = alt.Scale(zero = False)),
    y = alt.Y('Life Ladder:Q'),
    color = 'region:N',
    tooltip = ['year', 'region', 'Life Ladder']
).properties(
    title = 'Mean Life Ladder by Year and Region'
)
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In [220... # Define the groups
         regions_group_1 = ['Oceania']
         regions group 2 = ['Africa']
         # Filter the dataset into two groups
         whr_group_1 = whr[whr['region'].isin(regions_group_1)]
         whr group 2 = whr[whr['region'].isin(regions group 2)]
         # Calculate the mean of the required columns for each group
         mean_values_group_1 = whr_group_1.mean(numeric_only = True).reset_index()
         mean_values_group_1['Region'] = 'Oceania'
         mean values group 2 = whr group 2.mean(numeric only = True).reset index()
         mean values group 2['Region'] = 'Africa'
         # Combine the groups
         combined_means = pd.concat([mean_values_group_1, mean_values_group_2])
         combined_means = combined_means.rename(columns = {'index':'Statistic', 0:'Value'})
         combined_means = combined_means.reset_index()
         relevant_indicators = ['Social support',
                                'Freedom to make life choices', 'Generosity',
                                'Perceptions of corruption', 'Positive affect','Negative affect']
         combined_means_mod1 = combined_means[combined_means['Statistic'].isin(relevant_indicators)]
         # Create the Altair chart
         most_least_happy = alt.Chart(combined_means_mod1).mark_bar().encode(
             x = alt.X('Statistic:N', axis = None),
             y = alt.Y('Value:Q'),
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color = 'Statistic:N',
             column = 'Region:N',
             tooltip = ['Region', 'Statistic', 'Value']
         ).properties(width = 200)
In [221... # Counting the number of countries which each region and displaying the count
         countries per region = whr.groupby('region')['Country name'].nunique()
In [222... # Filter the data for the Americas and the years 2007-2010
         americas data = whr[(whr['Country name'] == 'United States') &
                                            (whr['year'] >= 2005) &
                                            (whr['year'] <= 2012)]
         # Calculate the mean of the predictors for each year
         americas mean data = americas data.groupby('year').mean(numeric only = True).reset index()
         # Melt the dataframe to have a long format for Altair's lineplot
         americas mean melted = americas mean data.melt(id vars = ['year'],
                                                          value_vars = ['Life Ladder', 'Social support',
                                                                       'Freedom to make life choices',
                                                                       'Positive affect'],
                                                          var name = 'Predictor', value name='Mean Value')
         # Create a lineplot for the mean value of each predictor through time using Altair
         mean line chart = alt.Chart(americas mean melted).mark line(point = True).encode(
             x = 'year:0',
             y = alt.Y('Mean Value:Q', scale=alt.Scale(type='log')),
             color = 'Predictor:N',
             tooltip = ['year', 'Predictor', 'Mean Value']
         ).properties(
             width = 800,
             height = 400,
             title = 'Predictor Values in the US During the Great Recession (2007-2010)'
         ).interactive()
In [223... # Extract the 'Life Ladder' data for the United States and the rest of the world for the years 2008 and 200
         us life ladder = whr[(whr['Country name'] == 'United States') &
                                                 (whr['year'].isin([2008, 2009])) &
                                                 (whr['Life Ladder'].notna())]['Life Ladder']
         world life ladder = whr[(whr['Country name'] != 'United States') &
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(whr['year'].isin([2008, 2009])) &
                                                                                                                                                                    (whr['Life Ladder'].notna())]['Life Ladder']
                               # Perform a t-test to see if the decline is statistically significant
                              # Null hypothesis: There is no difference in life ladder between the United States and the rest of the wor
                              # Alternative hypothesis: There is a difference in life ladder between the United States and the rest of the state of the 
                              # Perform a two-sample t-test
                               t stat, p value = stats.ttest ind(us life ladder, world life ladder, equal var = False)
In [224... # Filter the dataset for the year 2021
                              covid 2021 = covid[covid['Date reported'].str.startswith('2021')]
                               # Calculate the total number of cases for each country in 2021
                              total_cases_2021 = covid_2021.groupby('Country')['New_cases'].sum().reset_index()
                               # Calculate the change in life ladder for each country between 2019 and 2020
                               # Filter the dataset for the years 2019 and 2020
                              years filter = whr['year'].isin([2021, 2020])
                               # Pivot the table to have countries as rows and years as columns for positive affect
                              positive_affect_pivot = whr[years_filter].pivot(index = 'Country name', columns = 'year', values = 'Life Landau | Life Landau | 
                               # Calculate the change between the years
                               positive affect pivot['Change'] = positive affect pivot[2021] - positive affect pivot[2020]
                               # Sort the countries by the largest drop in positive affect
                              largest_drops = positive_affect_pivot.sort_values('Change')
                               # Display the countries with the largest drops
                              cases_with_whr = total_cases_2021.merge(largest_drops, left_on = 'Country', right_on = 'Country name',
                                                                                                                                                                how = 'inner').rename(columns = {'New_cases':'2021 Covid',
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          2020: '2020 Life Ladder',
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           2021: '2021 Life Ladder'}).sort va
In [225... # Checking that the response is normal
                              stats.probplot(whr["Life Ladder"], dist = "norm", plot = pylab)
                               pylab.show()
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In [226... # Checking the linear relationship between life ladder and predictors
# Predictors were picked using the correlation matrix

fig_1 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
    y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
    x = alt.X("Log GDP per capita")
)

fig_2 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
    y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
    x = alt.X("Social support")
)

fig_3 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
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y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
   x = alt.X("Generosity")
fig_4 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
   y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
   x = alt.X("Healthy life expectancy at birth")
fig_5 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
   y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
   x = alt.X("Freedom to make life choices")
fig_6 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
    y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
   x = alt.X("Perceptions of corruption")
fig_7 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
    y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
   x = alt.X("Positive affect")
fig_8 = alt.Chart(whr).mark_point().encode(
    y = alt.X("Life Ladder"),
   x = alt.X("Negative affect")
upper = fig_1 | fig_2 | fig_3 | fig_4
lower = fig_5 | fig_6 | fig_7 | fig_8
life_ladder_scatter = alt.vconcat(upper, lower)
# Checking predictors for colinearity
X = whr[['Log GDP per capita', 'Social support',
         'Healthy life expectancy at birth', 'Freedom to make life choices',
         "Perceptions of corruption", 'Positive affect', 'Negative affect']].dropna()
# VIF dataframe
vif data = pd.DataFrame()
vif_data["feature"] = X.columns
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# calculating VIF for each feature
         vif data["VIF"] = [variance inflation factor(X.values, i)
                                   for i in range(len(X.columns))]
         print(vif_data)
         # Found extreme dependence among predictors so centering and scaling them to remove dependence
         X = whr[['Log GDP per capita', 'Social support',
                  'Healthy life expectancy at birth', 'Freedom to make life choices',
                  "Perceptions of corruption", 'Positive affect', 'Negative affect']].dropna().apply(lambda x: x - x
         # VIF dataframe
         vif data = pd.DataFrame()
         vif_data["feature"] = X.columns
         # Calculating VIF for each feature
         vif data["VIF"] = [variance inflation factor(X.values, i)
                                   for i in range(len(X.columns))]
         print(vif data)
                                    feature
                                                    VTF
        0
                         Log GDP per capita 271.014563
                             Social support 118.827235
        1
           Healthy life expectancy at birth 272.262939
               Freedom to make life choices 54.156019
        3
                  Perceptions of corruption 17,219028
        4
        5
                            Positive affect 59.880904
        6
                            Negative affect 13.959606
                                    feature
                                                  VTF
                         Log GDP per capita 4.274933
        0
                             Social support 2.696033
        1
           Healthy life expectancy at birth 3.449044
        3
               Freedom to make life choices 1.924405
        4
                  Perceptions of corruption 1.451232
        5
                            Positive affect 1.740433
                            Negative affect 1.403463
In [227... # Creating regression data
         regression data = whr.copy().dropna()
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x_vars = regression_data[['Log GDP per capita', 'Social support',
                                      'Healthy life expectancy at birth', 'Freedom to make life choices',
                                      'Positive affect', 'Negative affect']]
         x = sm.tools.add constant(x vars)
         y = regression_data["Life Ladder"]
         # Fitting MLR Model
         mlr = sm.0LS(endog = y, exog = x)
         rslt = mlr.fit()
         # retreive estimates and std errors
         coef tbl = pd.DataFrame({
             'estimate': rslt.params,
             'standard error': np.sqrt(rslt.cov_params().values.diagonal())
         }, index = x.columns.values)
         coef_tbl.loc['error variance', 'estimate'] = rslt.scale
In [228... fitted values = rslt.fittedvalues
         residuals = rslt.resid
         r squared = rslt.rsquared
In [229... # Checking that residuals are normally distributed with mean 0 and constant variance
         data = {"fitted": fitted values,
                         "residuals": residuals}
         res fit data = pd.concat(data, axis = 1)
         resid plot = alt.Chart(res fit data).mark point().encode(
                  x = alt.X("fitted:Q"),
                  y = alt.Y("residuals:Q")
         stats.probplot(res_fit_data["residuals"], dist="norm", plot=pylab)
         pylab.show()
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