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Pisa Test

1.1

First we will want to load our Pisa test excel files. To do that, we'll define our work directory to be the folder that contains the 'pisa.xlsx' file, with the command wordkir. As the 'pisa.xlsx' contains 3 sheets, we will load each of them to a different reference.

```
workdir = "C:/Users/Liav/Desktop/Uni/R/targil1"
setwd(workdir)

pisa_math = read_excel("pisa.xlsx", sheet=1)

pisa_reading = read_excel("pisa.xlsx", sheet=2)
pisa_science = read_excel("pisa.xlsx", sheet=3)
```

To get a clue about how the data looks like, we can use the head command to pring the first rows of it. Let's make an example with pisa math.

```
head(pisa_math)
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
##
    Country
                                  Score year
##
     <chr>>
                                  <chr> <dbl>
## 1 International Average (OECD) 490
                                         2015
## 2 Albania
                                         2015
                                  413
## 3 Algeria
                                  360
                                         2015
## 4 Argentina
                                  409
                                         2015
## 5 Australia
                                  494
                                         2015
## 6 Austria
                                  497
                                         2015
```

Since all the worksheets share the same columns names, to differ them, we can change some of the columns name.

```
colnames(pisa_math)[2] = "math_score"
colnames(pisa_reading)[2] = "reading_score"
colnames(pisa_science)[2] = "science_score"
```

We would like to check who were the leading countries in every field in 2015. To do so, we will sort by descending order the 2015 year subset. This command might seem very complicated, let's try to explain it simply:

- 1. head command (x, n=3L) is the same head command we used before, but now we used "n=3L" to get the first 3 lines.
- 2. pisa_math[y, year=2015] command gives us a susbet of the pisa_math rows that their value in column 'year' equals to 2015. notice that pisa_math is the name of the dataframe, we can change it later to another name for the other dataframes.
- 3. order(pisa_math\$math_score, decreasing = TRUE) returns the data decreasing order if the data frame be the pisa_math column.

To connect those three simple functions we can write the 3rd function instead of y, and the joined 2nd function (with 3 insted of y) instead of x, and now we got the 3 first countries orederd by scores, only when year was 2015.

```
head(subset(pisa_math[order(pisa_math$math_score, decreasing = TRUE),
], year == 2015), n=3L)
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
##
    Country
                      math score year
##
     <chr>>
                       <chr>>
                                  <dbl>
                       564
## 1 Singapore
                                   2015
## 2 Hong Kong, China 548
                                   2015
                                   2015
## 3 Macau
                       544
head(subset(pisa_science[order(pisa_science$science_score, decreasing =
TRUE), ], year == 2015), n=3L)
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
##
    Country
               science_score year
##
     <chr>
               <chr>
                              <dbl>
## 1 Singapore 556
                               2015
## 2 Japan
               538
                               2015
## 3 Estonia
               534
                               2015
head(subset(pisa_reading[order(pisa_reading$reading_score, decreasing =
TRUE), ], year == 2015), n=3L)
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
                       reading score year
##
    Country
##
    <chr>
                       <chr>
                                     <dbl>
## 1 Singapore
                       535
                                      2015
                                      2015
## 2 Canada
                       527
## 3 Hong Kong, China 527
                                      2015
```

We can see that Singapore students has the best Pisa test grades in 2015, in all fields.

1.3

To continue working on this data set, we would like to merge the all three dataframes to one. For this, we can use the merge command. At first we merge the science and math grades columns. The command "all=TRUE" used to keep the NA value rows. The "sort=TRUE" command used to keep the new dataframe sorted by the country name.

After we merged science and math grade we can merge them again to the reading grade dataframe by the same method.

```
data = merge( merge( pisa_math, pisa_science, by = c("Country","year")
,all = TRUE, sort = TRUE), pisa_reading, by = c("Country","year"), all
= TRUE, sort=TRUE )
```

Here is ther head of our new merged dataframe:

##	Country	year	math_score	science_score	reading_score
## 1	Switzerland	2000	<na></na>	<na></na>	494
## 2	Switzerland	2003	527	<na></na>	499
## 3	Switzerland	2006	530	512	499
## 4	Switzerland	2009	534	517	501
## 5	Switzerland	2012	531	515	509
## 6	Switzerland	2015	521	506	492
## 7	Albania	2000	<na></na>	<na></na>	349

Before we continue to answer the next questions, we would like to make sure that the columns type is still numeric, so we can apply arithmetic functions on them. For that, we'll use the following:

```
sapply(data, class)

## Country year math_score science_score
reading_score
## "character" "numeric" "character" "character"
"character"
```

We can see that the type of the values in the score columns are character. There for, we'll use sapply to apply the function as numeric on the 3rd to 5th columns.

```
data[, 3:5] <- sapply(data[, 3:5], as.numeric)
sapply(data, class)

## Country year math_score science_score
reading_score
## "character" "numeric" "numeric" "numeric"
"numeric"</pre>
```

And now we can see the type changed to numeric.

We'll check the avarage pisa scores (average of all three fields scores) for each country on every year. To make it a fair competition, we will calculate only the rows that includes all three grades.

```
data$average_score <- rowMeans(data[,3:5], na.rm=TRUE)</pre>
```

Here is ther head of our new dataframe, with the average column:

```
##
           Country year math score science score reading score
average_score
## 1
       Switzerland 2000
                                 NA
                                                NA
                                                              494
494.0000
## 2
       Switzerland 2003
                                 527
                                                              499
                                                NA
513.0000
## 3
       Switzerland 2006
                                 530
                                               512
                                                              499
513.6667
```

1.5

As beofre, let's use the subset and order functions to present the top average scores countries in 2006 and 2015. This time, we will use "[,c(1,6)]" slicing to show only the 1st, 2nd and 6th column.

```
head(subset(data[order(data$average score, decreasing = TRUE), ], year
== 2015)[,c(1,2,6)], n=3L)
##
                 Country year average_score
## 348
               Singapore 2015
                                   551.6667
## 162 Hong Kong, China 2015
                                   532.6667
## 204
                   Japan 2015
                                   528.6667
head(subset(data[order(data$average score, decreasing = TRUE), ], year
== 2006)[,c(1,2,6)], n=3L)
##
                 Country year average_score
## 129
                 Finland 2006
                                   552.6667
## 159 Hong Kong, China 2006
                                   541.6667
## 363
             South Korea 2006
                                   541.6667
```

Salaries

Now, we'll start working on the salaries file.

2.1 From a brief look on the data, we can see that the 2nd sheet on the sal.xlsx file is just an addition of a nonimnal salary column. Therefor, to save time and code, it will be a good idea to join the two dataframes by adding the "current" column from the 2nd dataframe to the first one. We' will use the same read_excel command from before to do so, and than we'll just add manually the missing column.

```
salaries = read_excel("sal.xlsx", sheet=1)
sal_nominal = read_excel("sal.xlsx", sheet=2)
salaries$current = sal_nominal$current
```

Here are some rows of our new dataframe:

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 16
    TIME `2000` `2005` `2006` `2007` `2008` `2009` `2010` `2011`
##
`2012`
##
     <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                                <dbl> <dbl>
                                                               <dbl>
<dbl>
## 1 Por~
                                            95
               NA
                     100
                              98
                                     96
                                                   97
                                                           98
                                                                 100
86
## 2 Spa~
               NA
                     100
                             101
                                     99
                                           103
                                                  106
                                                          106
                                                                 100
95
## 3 Swe~
                     100
                              NA
                                            NA
                                                  104
                                                           NA
                                                                 103
               NA
                                    103
NA
## # ... with 6 more variables: `2013` <dbl>, `2014` <dbl>, `2015`
<dbl>,
## # `2016` <dbl>, `2017` <dbl>, current <dbl>
```

Data complection and cleaning

Before we will start analyzing our data, we will want to have a look of it and see if there are missing values or any outliners that we need to take care of. After a quick look on the salaries dataframe, we can see that some of the salaries are missing. Take a look for example, on the 2006 and 2008 salary in Sweden. In order to fill the missing data, we can user linear regression and try to predict what were the salaries in the missing fields.

To fill out dataframe, I wrote myself the following function:

```
salary_predict <- function(row, i) {
df <- data.frame(x=1:13,y=100*(1:13))
df$y = as.vector(unlist(salaries[i,3:15]))
df$x= as.numeric(colnames(salaries[3:15]))
model <- lm(y~x+1,data=df)
df$y_hat <- predict.lm(model, newdata = df)
df= df %>% mutate(y = ifelse(is.na(y), y_hat, y))
return(df$y)
}
```

The function parameters are a row, and a row index. Since i wanted to predict more efficiently the missing values from years 2005-2017, and since later on we will not need it, i decided to ignore the "2000" column for now. The function creates a new dataframe with index values for cells. Afterwards, save inside them the Y vector which we want to predict (our explained variable), which in our case is the row's 3rd to 15th values, which we had to unlist them and save as vector because of the predict function input demands. We did the same for our explaining variable, which is the series of years 2005-2017. model function creates a model, and y hat is the

vector of model predictions. Since we already have some data, we will take only the missing index and mutate them into our Y vector.

After we built the function, we will have to apply them on each row. For this, we can use a for loop that go through each row and replacing the values 3:15 in the function output.

```
for(i in 1:nrow(salaries)) {
    row <- salaries[i,]
    salaries[i,3:15] = salary_predict(row,i)
}</pre>
```

And here is an example our filled data:

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 15
##
     TIME `2005` `2006` `2007` `2008`
                                        `2009`
                                                 2010`
                                                       `2011`
`2013`
            <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
##
     <chr>>
                                  <dbl>
                                         <dbl>
                                                 <dbl>
                                                        <dbl>
                                                               <dbl>
<dbl>
## 1 Por~
              100
                    98
                                    95
                                             97
                                                   98
                                                          100
                                                                  86
                              96
84
## 2 Spa~
                   101
                                                  106
                                                                 95
              100
                              99
                                   103
                                            106
                                                          100
92
## 3 Swe~
              100
                    99.3
                             103
                                   103.
                                            104
                                                  106.
                                                          103
                                                                110.
108
## # ... with 5 more variables: `2014` <dbl>, `2015` <dbl>, `2016`
<dbl>,
## # `2017` <dbl>, current <dbl>
```

Note: Since our next question will be about years 2005-2017, i decided to drop 2000 salaries for now.

2.2

Now, we can find the nominal wages in each country in any year, by using the "current" column. Since the wage from 2006 to 2016. The forumla is going to be (Year.i*year.0)/nominal, while year 0 is 2017. To do this, we will use for a for loop again, this time on columns 2:13 (since the 13th column is 2017 wage)

```
## 2 Spa~ 52827. 53355. 52299. 54412. 55997. 55997. 52827. 50186.
48601.
## 3 Swe~ 35487. 35230. 36551. 36478. 36906. 37727. 36551. 38975.
38326.
## # ... with 5 more variables: `2014` <dbl>, `2015` <dbl>, `2016` <dbl>,
## # ... *2017` <dbl>, current <dbl>
```

Since Estonoia current wage in nominal terms is missing, , we got NA over the values. Since this row can help us at the moment, we can drop the Estonia salary row. We can also drop the nominal current salary, since it equals to the 2017 salary

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 14
    TIME `2005` `2006`
                                        `2009` `2010`
##
                         `2007` `2008`
                                                       `2011`
`2013`
##
     <chr>>
            <dbl>
                   <dbl>
                          <dbl>
                                  <dbl>
                                         <dbl>
                                                 <dbl>
                                                        <dbl>
                                                               <dbl>
<dbl>
## 1 Est~
               NA
                       NA
                              NA
                                     NA
                                             NA
                                                    NA
                                                            NA
                                                                   NA
NA
## # ... with 4 more variables: `2014` <dbl>, `2015` <dbl>, `2016`
<dbl>,
       `2017` <dbl>
## #
```

Data analyzing

2.3

To check the relative of a country from the rest of the world, we can add an average international rating row for each year. We'll it (OECD (Average International). To do so, we will create a vector with the row means, and add the title of it manually. Afterwords, we can add it manually to salaries dataframe.

```
row_name = "International Average (OECD)"
avg_vec = c(row_name, colMeans(salaries[2:ncol(salaries)]))
```

Now, we can join them together with the rbind command. We will use head(salaries) command to check out the top of our data as we did before.

```
## 3 Austr~ 49334~ 49334~ 49827~ 49827~ 50814~ 51307~ 50814~ 50321~ 49827~ ## 4 Denma~ 52535~ 53060~ 53060~ 54111~ 57263~ 56212~ 55162~ 53586~ 54636~ ## 5 Finla~ 43893~ 45210~ 45210~ 46088~ 46088~ 46966~ 46527~ 45649~ 45210~ ## 6 France 39396~ 39396~ 39002~ 38214~ 38214~ 38608~ 38214~ 37820~ 37426~ ## # ... with 4 more variables: `2014` <chr>, `2015` <chr>, "## # ... with 5017` <chr>
```

2.4

Now we can, for example, analyse year 2010. Let's check which salary was the closest to the average in 2010, and check which one was the most far from it (from both under and above) To do so, we will go through the following levels: 1. Create a reference with the salaries\$'2010' values 2. Reduce from it the OCED (remember that this is the first row now), and get the absolut value of to get only the distance. 3. The maximum and minimum of the original are the most far values from average, and the minumim of the absolut value reduced column is the closest to average.

Notice that on the 'which' command (that returns the index that inside the brackets) we add +1 to the index because we sliced the salaries\$2010 vector

```
column = as.numeric(salaries$`2010`)
salaries[which(salaries$`2010`==max(column)),]
## # A tibble: 1 x 14
##
     Country `2005` `2006` `2007` `2008` `2009` `2010` `2011` `2012`
`2013`
##
              <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <
     <chr>
<dbl>
## 1 Luxem~ 94924. 94924. 94924. 1.02e5 1.08e5 1.06e5 1.03e5 1.06e5
1.07e5
## # ... with 4 more variables: `2014` <dbl>, `2015` <dbl>, `2016`
<dbl>,
## #
       `2017` <dbl>
salaries[which(salaries$`2010`==min(column)),]
## # A tibble: 1 x 14
    Country `2005` `2006` `2007` `2008` `2009` `2010` `2011` `2012`
##
`2013`
##
     <chr>
              <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <</pre>
                                                                <dbl>
<dbl>
## 1 Hunga~ 18744. 18370. 17620. 17245. 15370. 14808. 14246. 13309.
## # ... with 4 more variables: `2014` <dbl>, `2015` <dbl>, `2016`
<dbl>,
      `2017` <dbl>
## #
```

We got that the highest salary was at Luxembourg, the lowest was in at Hungary, and the closest to average Portugal

2.5

Here are the highest earned countries in 2015.

```
head(subset(salaries[order(salaries$`2015`, decreasing = TRUE),
c(1,12)]), n=5L)
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
##
     Country
                      2015`
##
     <chr>>
                      <dbl>
## 1 Luxembourg
                    110112.
## 2 Germany
                     73978.
## 3 United States 63184.
## 4 Ireland
                     58953.
## 5 Australia
                     58507.
```

Let's check their rank in the Pisa test.

```
twenty_fifteen = data[which(data$year==2015),]
twenty fifteen = merge(
salaries[(which(colnames(salaries)==c("Country","2015")))],
twenty_fifteen, by = c("Country") ,all = TRUE, sort = TRUE)
head(twenty_fifteen[order(twenty_fifteen$\)2015\), decreasing = TRUE),],n
= 5)
##
                          2015 year math_score science_score
             Country
reading_score
          Luxembourg 110111.54 2015
## 41
                                            486
                                                          483
481
## 25
             Germany 73977.59 2015
                                            506
                                                          509
509
## 71
      United States 63184.36 2015
                                            470
                                                          496
497
             Ireland 58952.52 2015
## 31
                                            504
                                                          503
521
```

```
## 6
           Australia 58507.16 2015
                                             494
                                                           510
503
##
      average_score
## 41
           483.3333
## 25
           508.0000
## 71
           487.6667
## 31
           509.3333
## 6
           502.3333
```

We can see that there is no high correlation between the salaries in 2015 to the Pisa scores.

2.6

Let's check the change in salary between 2005 and 2017. To do so, we can copy the 2005, 2017 columns to a new dataframe and calculate the percent of change. Afterwards we can use the head and order function to show the top 5, as we did before.

```
changes = salaries[c(1,2,ncol(salaries))]
changes$change = (changes$\cdot2017\changes$\cdot2005\)*100
head(changes[order(changes$change, decreasing = TRUE),],n = 5)
## # A tibble: 5 x 4
     Country `2005` `2017` change
##
##
              <dbl> <dbl>
                             <dbl>
## 1 Latvia 13716. 19696.
                              144.
## 2 Israel 23367. 33442.
                              143.
## 3 Poland 20433. 25553.
                              125.
## 4 Mexico 32478. 40595.
                              125.
## 5 Sweden 35487. 43827.
                             124.
```

We can see that Latvia has the biggest growth in the teachers salary, and right after, Israel. One reason to that might be the an increase in the price index or inflation

Salaries vs. Test grades

3.1

To check the influence of the salaries on the test grades, let us first merge our two data set and drop the NA values. To do so, we first need to gather the data. To do so we will use the command gather from "tidyr" library. gather() arguments are first, the name of the dataframe, second, the name you want for you new category column (that's called the key), and third is the name you want for your new value column (called value). After that are any column that you want to gather into the new key and value columns. Because we want all the year columns gathered but not the country columns, we will add the argument "-Country" (pay attention to the minus sign).

After we gathered the data, we can easily merge it to the grades data, since now their shape is similar. notice that rows that aren't filled in both dataframes are removed automatically.

In addition, we use the same functions as before to get the OECD average grades of each year. Notice that some of them are missing values, i decided to drop them.

Let's have a look on the gathered salaries dataframe:

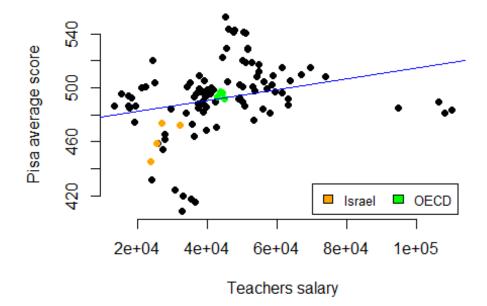
And here is the result of the final merge:

```
Country year math_score science_score reading_score
average score
## 1 Australia 2006
                            520
                                           527
                                                         513
520.0000
## 2 Australia 2009
                                           527
                            514
                                                         515
518.6667
                                           521
## 3 Australia 2012
                            504
                                                         512
512.3333
## 4 Australia 2015
                            494
                                           510
                                                         503
502.3333
## 5
       Austria 2006
                            505
                                           511
                                                         490
502.0000
## 6
       Austria 2009
                            496
                                           494
                                                         470
486.6667
##
       salary
## 1 50295.63
## 2 52861.74
## 3 54914.62
## 4 58507.16
## 5 49334.32
## 6 50814.35
```

Let's draw some graphs.

```
#Salary vs average plot
total$Country = trim(total$Country)
plot(x = total$salary, y = total$average_score, main = "Salary vs.
Average Score Plot", ylab = "Pisa average score", xlab = "Teachers
salary",
     pch =19, frame = FALSE, col =
ifelse( (total$Country)=="Israel", "orange", ifelse(
(total$Country==c("International Average (OECD)")), "green", "black")))
#Add plot legend
#legend(100,100,legend=c("Israel", "OECD average"),col=c("orange",
"green"))
legend("bottomright", inset=.02,
   c("Israel","OECD"), fill=c("orange","green"), horiz=TRUE, cex=0.8)
#Regression line
abline(lm(total$average_score ~ total$salary, data = total), col =
"blue")
```

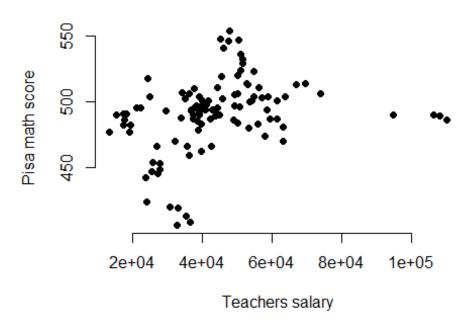
Salary vs. Average Score Plot



```
#Salary vs math plot
plot(x = total$salary, y = total$math_score, main = "Salary vs. Math
Score Plot",
```

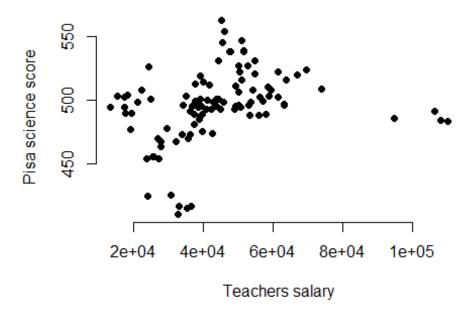
```
ylab = "Pisa math score", xlab = "Teachers salary",
pch =19, frame = FALSE)
```

Salary vs. Math Score Plot



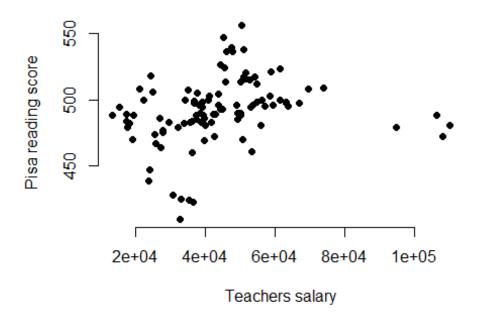
```
#Salary vs science plot
plot(x= total$salary, y = total$science_score, main = "Salary vs.
Science Score Plot",
    ylab = "Pisa science score", xlab = "Teachers salary",
    pch =19, frame = FALSE)
```

Salary vs. Science Score Plot



```
#Salary vs reading plot
plot(x = total$salary, y = total$reading_score, main = "Salary vs.
Reading Score Plot",
    ylab = "Pisa reading score", xlab = "Teachers salary",
    pch =19, frame = FALSE)
```

Salary vs. Reading Score Plot



3.4

Conclusions

We can see that there is some correlation between the teachers salary and the grades. We can get some conclusions from those graphs. First, in richer countries, where teachers earn more, it is possible that more money was invested in education. It is also possible that students from reacher countries has more tools to succeed, like private teachers or after-hours classess. But, we can not forget that the data was collected over more than 10 years, and for my opinion it is possible that the teachers salary is getting higher every year beacause of Infaltion, and that the grades are getting higher because more thecnology is envolved this days in schools and students houses, thus a student can study math or read more at home from various websites. In conclusion, for my opinion the correlation is not strong enough, but it is possible that there is a connection between teachers salary and Pisa test, as written above.

4.1

Grades by region

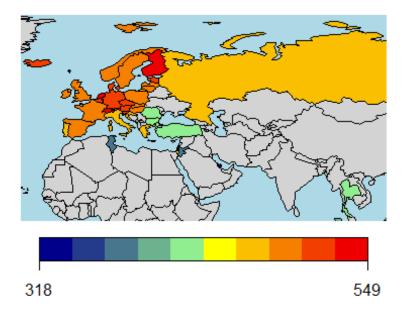
During the work on the grades tables, I was wondering if there is any connection between geographic region and math grade. To do so, i decided to color the world map by the Pisa math score value. And Here is the results. More specifically, i decided to check regions around the meditterenian sea. Here are the results:

```
twenty six = data[which(data$year==2006),]
twenty six = merge(
salaries[(which(colnames(salaries)==c("Country","2006")))], twenty_six,
by = c("Country") ,all = TRUE, sort = TRUE)
twenty_six = twenty_six[-c(5,13,74,75),]
twenty_six$Country = (trim(twenty_six$Country))
twenty nine = data[which(data$year==2009),]
twenty nine = merge(
salaries[(which(colnames(salaries)==c("Country","2009")))],
twenty nine, by = c("Country") ,all = TRUE, sort = TRUE)
twenty_nine = twenty_nine[-c(5,13,74,75),]
twenty_nine$Country = (trim(twenty_nine$Country))
twenty_fifteen$Country = (trim(twenty_fifteen$Country))
#create a map-shaped window
mapDevice('x11')
#join to a coarse resolution map
spdf <- joinCountryData2Map(twenty fifteen, joinCode="NAME",</pre>
nameJoinColumn="Country")
spdf2 <- joinCountryData2Map(twenty six, joinCode="NAME",</pre>
nameJoinColumn="Country")
spdf3 <- joinCountryData2Map(twenty nine, joinCode="NAME",</pre>
nameJoinColumn="Country")
```

It is very interesting to see the changes along the years in european countries, and how for example, countries like Germany Sweden and Finland improved over the years, and the neighbours like spain and portugal were left behind.

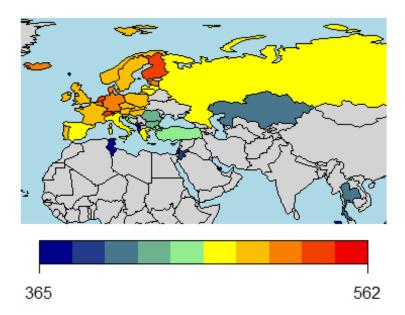
```
mapCountryData(spdf2, nameColumnToPlot="math_score",
catMethod="fixedWidth", colourPalette = "diverging", mapTitle = "World
Pisa math grades 2006", numCats = 10, oceanCol = "lightblue",
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World Pisa math grades 2006



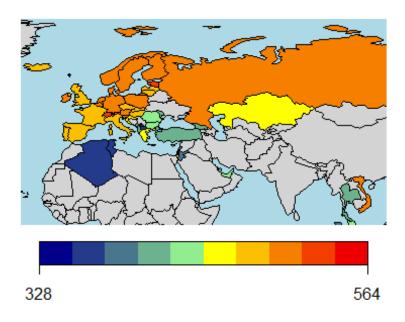
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World Pisa math grades 2009



mapCountryData(spdf, nameColumnToPlot="math_score",
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Pisa math grades 2015", numCats = 10, oceanCol = "lightblue",
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'black')

World Pisa math grades 2015



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