The difference in time women and men spend on various activities

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Data Origins

A tibble: 6 x 7

Country_Code Country

The data set used for my visualisation was retrieved from Kaggle and posted by user Felipe Chapa. It is an OECD data set which contains the amount of time women and men from different countries spend on various activities during the day. It includes variables such as *country*, *description* (of the activity), sex, age and minutes per day.

```
#load data set
timeuse_raw <- read_csv("~/PSY6422project/PSY6422project/data/timeuse_raw.csv")</pre>
#show first few rows of raw data
head(timeuse_raw)
## # A tibble: 6 x 7
     Country_Code Country
                            DESC Description Sex
##
                                                           Minutes_per_day
     <chr>
                  <chr>
                            <chr> <chr>
                                               <chr> <chr>
                                                                      <dbl>
## 1 AUS
                  Australia UPW
                                   Unpaid work Women 15-64
                                                                       311
## 2 AUS
                  Australia UPW
                                   Unpaid work Men
                                                                       172.
                                                     15-64
## 3 AUT
                  Austria UPW
                                   Unpaid work Women 15-64
                                                                       269.
## 4 AUT
                  Austria
                            UPW
                                   Unpaid work Men
                                                     15-64
                                                                       135.
## 5 BEL
                  Belgium
                            UPW
                                   Unpaid work Women 15-64
                                                                       237.
                  Belgium
## 6 BEL
                            UPW
                                   Unpaid work Men
                                                     15-64
                                                                       144.
#show last few rows of raw data
tail(timeuse_raw)
```

Sex

Age

Minutes_per_day

DESC Description

```
##
     <chr>>
                   <chr>
                              <chr> <chr>
                                                        <chr> <chr>
                                                                                <dbl>
## 1 LTU
                                    Other
                                                                                8.69
                  Lithuania OTH
                                                        Women 15-64
## 2 LTU
                  Lithuania OTH
                                    Other
                                                               15 - 64
                                                                                7.61
## 3 LUX
                  Luxembourg PAW
                                    Paid work or study Women 15-64
                                                                               239.
## 4 LUX
                  Luxembourg PAW
                                    Paid work or study Men
                                                                               330.
## 5 LTU
                                                                               279.
                  Lithuania PAW
                                    Paid work or study Women 15-64
## 6 LTU
                  Lithuania PAW
                                    Paid work or study Men
                                                                               354.
#show summary of raw data
summary(timeuse_raw)
    Country_Code
                          Country
                                                DESC
                                                                Description
##
    Length: 329
                        Length: 329
                                            Length: 329
                                                                Length: 329
    Class : character
                        Class : character
                                            Class : character
                                                                Class : character
   Mode :character
##
                        Mode :character
                                            Mode :character
                                                                Mode :character
##
##
##
##
        Sex
                            Age
                                            Minutes_per_day
##
   Length:329
                        Length: 329
                                            Min.
                                                   : 3.26
                                            1st Qu.:135.28
##
    Class : character
                        Class :character
##
    Mode :character
                        Mode :character
                                            Median :266.20
##
                                            Mean
                                                   :288.04
##
                                            3rd Qu.:351.94
##
                                            Max.
                                                   :760.89
```

Research Questions

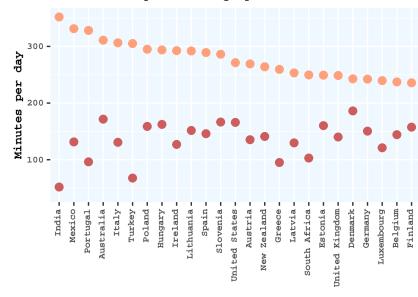
Main research question: What is the difference in the time women and men spend on different activities during the day? I will also visualise the amount of time women and men spend on various activities to find out whether there is a clear pattern in the data or if there are some inconsistencies between countries.

Data Preparation and Visualisations

```
#delete unnecessary columns
timeuse <- timeuse_raw %>% select(Country, Sex, DESC, Minutes_per_day)
#1. Unpaid work
#create data frame including only unpaid work
upw <- timeuse %>% filter(DESC == "UPW")
#change the order of rows based on minutes_per_day for women
order_desc_women <- upw %>% filter(Sex == "Women") %>%
    arrange(desc(Minutes_per_day)) %>%
   mutate(Country = factor(Country))
#plot the data in descending order by values for women
upw %>% mutate(Country = factor(Country, levels = order_desc_women$Country, ordered = TRUE)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Country, y = Minutes_per_day, color = Sex), group = Country) +
  #set point size
  geom\ point(size = 2.5) +
  #set different colours for sexes
  scale_color_manual(values = c("#CD5C5C", "#FFA07A")) +
  #name axes; add title, subtitle and caption
  labs(x = "Country", y = "Minutes per day",
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title = "Time spent on unpaid work",
    subtitle = "Order: country descending by women",
    caption = "Data source: Kaggle") +
#adjust the place and angle of the text on x axis
theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, vjust = 0.25, hjust = 1),
    #set background colour, customise text on the plot
    panel.background = element_rect(fill = "aliceblue"),
        text = element_text(family = "mono", face = "bold", size = 9))
```

Time spent on unpaid work Order: country descending by women

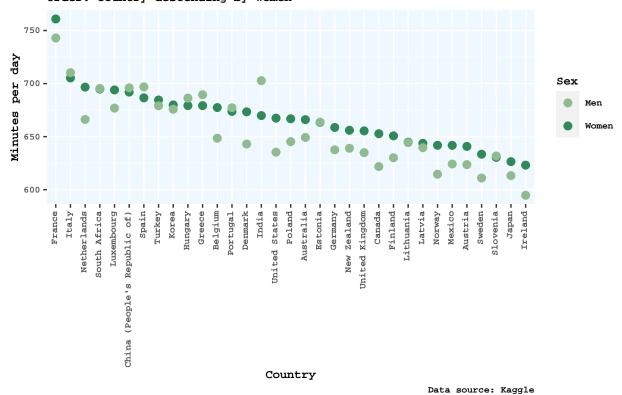


Country

The amount of time spent on various activities

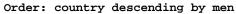
```
#2. Personal care
#create data frame with personal care only
pca <- timeuse %>% filter(DESC == "PCA")
#order rows by minutes_per_day of women
order_desc_women <- pca %>% filter(Sex == "Women") %>%
    arrange(desc(Minutes_per_day)) %>%
    mutate(Country = factor(Country))
#plot the data; countries in a descending order by women values
pca %>% mutate(Country = factor(Country, levels = order_desc_women$Country, ordered = TRUE)) %>%
    ggplot(aes(x = Country, y = Minutes_per_day, color = Sex), group = Country) +
  #set point size
  geom_point(size = 2.5) +
  #name axes, add title, subtitle and caption
  labs(x = "Country", y = "Minutes per day",
        title = "Time spent on personal care",
         subtitle = "Order: country descending by women",
         caption = "Data source: Kaggle") +
```

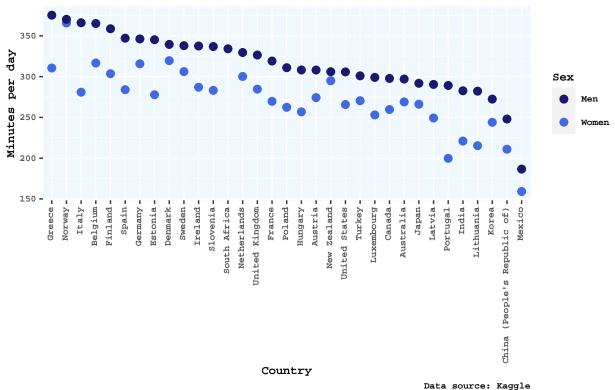
Time spent on personal care Order: country descending by women



#3. Leisure #create new data frame for leisure only lei <- timeuse %>% filter(DESC == "LEI") #order rows by minutes_per_day for men; descending order order_desc_men <- lei %>% filter(Sex == "Men") %>% arrange(desc(Minutes_per_day)) %>% mutate(Country = factor(Country)) #plot the data; descending order of countries by values for men lei %>% mutate(Country = factor(Country, levels = order_desc_men\$Country, ordered = TRUE)) %>% ggplot(aes(x = Country, y = Minutes_per_day, color = Sex), group = Country) + #point size $geom_point(size = 2.5) +$ #name axes labs(x = "Country", y = "Minutes per day", #add title, subtitle, caption title = "Time spent on leisure", subtitle = "Order: country descending by men",

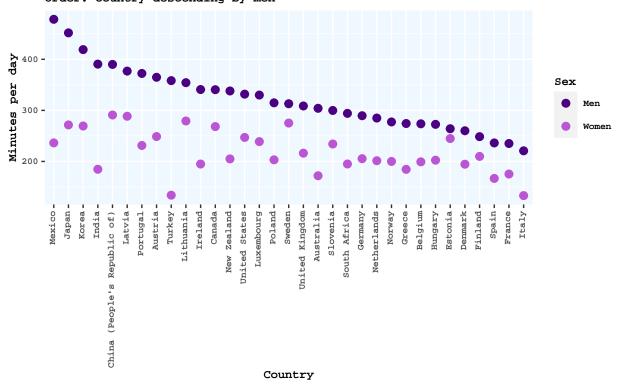
Time spent on leisure





```
#4. Paid work or study
#new data frame including paid work or study only
paw <- timeuse %>% filter(DESC == "PAW")
#order rows (countries) by minutes_per_day values for men; descending order
order_desc_men <- paw %>% filter(Sex == "Men") %>%
   arrange(desc(Minutes_per_day)) %>%
    mutate(Country = factor(Country))
#plot the data; countries in a descending order by values for men
paw %>% mutate(Country = factor(Country, levels = order_desc_men$Country, ordered = TRUE)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Country, y = Minutes_per_day, color = Sex), group = Country) +
  #set point size
  geom_point(size = 2.5) +
  #name axes; add title, subtitle and caption
  labs(x = "Country", y = "Minutes per day",
         title = "Time spent on paid work or study",
         subtitle = "Order: country descending by men",
```

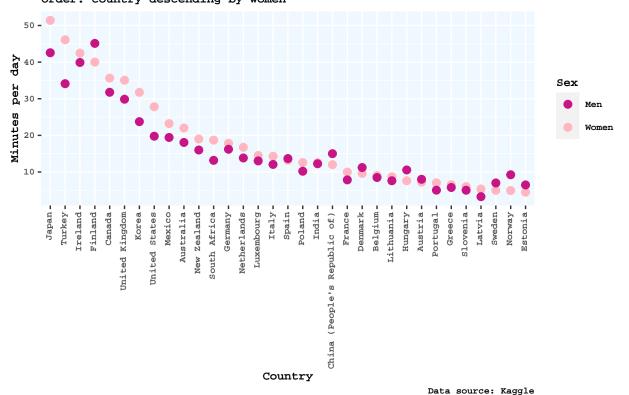
Time spent on paid work or study Order: country descending by men



Data source: Kaggle

```
#5. Other activities
#data frame for other activities only
oth <- timeuse %>% filter(DESC == "OTH")
#order countries by minutes_per_day values for women
order_desc_women <- oth %>% filter(Sex == "Women") %>%
    arrange(desc(Minutes_per_day)) %>%
   mutate(Country = factor(Country))
#plot the data; countries in a descending order by values for women
oth %>% mutate(Country = factor(Country, levels = order_desc_women$Country, ordered = TRUE)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Country, y = Minutes_per_day, color = Sex), group = Country) +
  #set point size
  geom_point(size = 2.5) +
  #name axes and add title, subtitle and caption
  labs(x = "Country", y = "Minutes per day",
         title = "Time spent on other activities",
         subtitle = "Order: country descending by women",
         caption = "Data source: Kaggle") +
  #set point colours
```

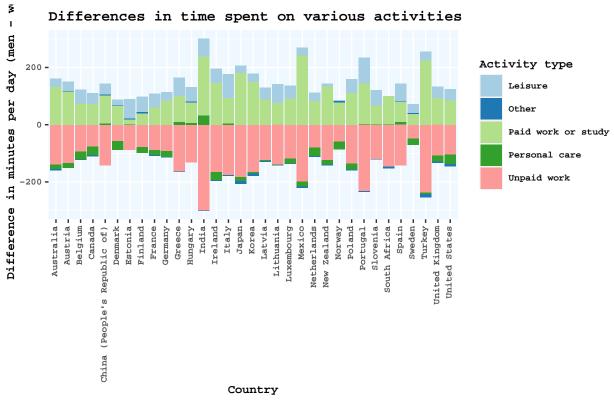
Time spent on other activities Order: country descending by women



#data preparation by calculating time difference between sexes [minutes men - minutes women] in difference between sexes [minutes men - minutes women] in difference delete unnecessary columns
timeuse <- timeuse_raw %>% select(Country, Description, Sex, Minutes_per_day)

#create unpaid work data frame and calculate differences
df1 <- timeuse %>% filter(Description == "Unpaid work") %>% group_by(Country) %>% mutate(Difference = Minute delete leisure data frame and calculate differences
df2 <- timeuse %>% filter(Description == "Personal care") %>% group_by(Country) %>% mutate(Difference = Minute delete data frame and calculate differences
df3 <- timeuse %>% filter(Description == "Leisure") %>% group_by(Country) %>% mutate(Difference = Minute delete data frame and calculate differences
df4 <- timeuse %>% filter(Description == "Paid work or study") %>% group_by(Country) %>% mutate(Difference)

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#create other data frame and calculate differences
df5 <- timeuse %>% filter(Description == "Other") %>% group_by(Country) %>% mutate(Difference = Minutes
#merge all created data frames
df_list <- list(df1, df2, df3, df4, df5)</pre>
timeuse_diff <- df_list %>% reduce(full_join)
#delete sex column
timeuse_diff <- timeuse_diff %>% select(Country, Description, Minutes_per_day, Difference)
#delete rows with NA
timeuse_diff <- timeuse_diff %>% drop_na(Difference)
#show first few rows of timeuse_diff
head(timeuse_diff)
The difference in the time spent on various activities
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
## # Groups: Country [6]
##
   Country
              Description Minutes_per_day Difference
##
     <chr>
              <chr>
                                   <dbl>
                                                <dbl>
## 1 Australia Unpaid work
                                     172.
                                               -139.
                                     135.
## 2 Austria Unpaid work
                                              -134.
## 3 Belgium Unpaid work
                                    144.
                                               -93.2
## 4 Canada Unpaid work
                                    148.
                                               -75.5
## 5 Denmark Unpaid work
                                     186.
                                                -56.7
## 6 Finland Unpaid work
                                     157.
                                               -78.3
#visualise
timeuse diff %>% ggplot(mapping = aes(x = Country, y = Difference)) +
  geom_bar(aes(fill = Description), stat = "identity") +
  #chose colour palette
  scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Paired") +
  #adjust position of the text on x axis for readability
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, vjust = 0.25, hjust = 1),
        #chose background colour
       panel.background = element_rect(fill = "aliceblue"),
        #customise text - font, size, etc.
        text = element_text(family = "mono", face = "bold", size = 9)) +
  #colour fill by activity type
  labs(fill = "Activity type",
       #name axes, include title and caption
       x = "Country", y = "Difference in minutes per day (men - women)",
      title = "Differences in time spent on various activities",
       caption = "The differences were calculated by subtracting minutes spent by women from men.\nNega
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The differences were calculated by subtracting minutes spent by women from men.

Negative values indicate that women spend more time a day on an activity.

Positive values indicate that men spend more time on an activity.

Summary

Brief interpretation of graphs The graphs illustrate that there are indeed differences in the time women and men spent on different activities. The graphs clearly indicate that, in general, women spend more time on unpaid work, whereas men spend more time on leisure and paid work or study. In terms of personal care and other activities, it seems that the time is rather similar with women spending seemingly more time on personal care than men. There does not appear to be a clear pattern in the data set. Whether men or women spend more time on personal care or other activities seems to depend on a country.

Brief thoughts Overall, as someone who has never had any experience with RStudio before, I am slightly proud of what I have managed to accomplish with this project. Especially, considering how challenging this whole module was for me. If I had more time, I would try to make my graphs interactive. I would combine the first five showing the time spent on various activities into one and order countries by the time differences between men and women. This is something I have tried but failed to do, but hopefully will figure out how to do in the future.

What else can be done I think it would be interesting to group data by continents to find out whether cultural differences might be influential on the time difference between men and women. Moreover, the age range in this data set was extremely broad (age 15-64), therefore it may also be useful to find more data and find out whether time differences in sexes vary based on age and/or marital status.

Reference: Chapa, F. (2021). World time use, work hours and GDP. [Data File]. Kaggle. Retrieved from: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/felipechapa/time-use-employment-and-gdp-per-country?select= $Time_use_OECD.csv$