

# **Microsoft New Movie Studio**

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# **Overview**

This notebook examines various movie databases that encompass data from thousands of movies. It focuses on movies released in the past 10 years to ensure the results would remain relevant, and to understand how what metrics generate profit rapidly.

The analysis was centered on 3 main points:

- genre
- · runtime and rating
- actors

By conducting a study of these data points, the aim is to provide valuable insights to help Microsoft's new movie studio focus on the main indicators of a movie's success.

It was found that Action movies generated the highest profit from 2010 to 2018 with over \$8 billion generated.

No correlation was found between a movie's runtime and profit. In addition, most profitable movies tend to be much longer than the majority of movies so as long as a movie has the right recipe, runtime does not matter as much.

As for how long a movie should be: while movies tend to have a higher rating when on a shorter range, no correlation was found between a movie's runtime and profit. In addition, most profitable movies tend to be much longer than the majority of movies so as long as a movie has the right recipe, runtime does not matter as much.

Finally, some actors were identified as generating the most profit in recent years - and having them

# **Business problem**

The project's goal is to provide Microsoft's head of new movie studio with 3 recommendations for the new studio they are creating. The actionable insights are based on data on existing movies' performances by understanding which movies are doing best at the box office. Datasets are from Box Office Mojo, IMDb, Rotten Tomatoes, The Movie Database and The Numbers.

From this data, Pearson's correlation was calculated to review the relationship between a movie's runtime and its profit. Median of both runtime and ratings was calculated to understand the relative preference. Groupby was used to review the sum of profit by genre and by actor.

# **Data Understanding**

The data comes from main movies' data collection websites: Box Office Mojo, IMDb, Rotten Tomatoes, The Movie Database, and The Numbers.

The data represents all movies' key metrics of performance and descriptions:

Basic movies' descriptions:

- · their title
- · the studio that created the movie
- · in what year the movie first went out in theaters
- how long the movie runs for
- · what genres it belongs to
- in which language it is
- if the movie and the movie's title was translated

The persons involved in the movie's creation:

- actors
- directors
- producers
- writers

How movies were received:

- ratings
- by the general public
- by journalists

Movies' key performance metrics:

- · worldwide profit calculated from:
  - domestic and foreign box office
  - minus budget invested to make the movie
- · movie ratings
- runtime

The target variable used to measure movies' performances was profit.

The sum of profit was calculated by the various dimensions selected to measure a movie's success.

# **Data Understanding**

The next lines of codes will open all data sources to understand what information is accessible, will transform numbers' data into integers by stripping any characters that prevent from reading them as integers.

Standard packages to read and process data in jupyter are imported.

```
In [1]: # Import standard packages
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import sqlite3
%matplotlib inline
```

# 1. Box Office Mojo

All movies that don't have domestic revenue have foreign revenues so they were distributed oversees.

Null rows in domestic gross can be replaced by 0, and so can null rows in foreign gross.

```
In [4]: # Inspect overall info of the dataframe
        df bom.info()
        <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
        RangeIndex: 3387 entries, 0 to 3386
        Data columns (total 5 columns):
            Column
                            Non-Null Count
                                            Dtype
        ____
         0
            title
                            3387 non-null
                                            object
            studio
                           3382 non-null
                                            object
         1
            domestic_gross 3359 non-null
                                            float64
            foreign_gross 2037 non-null
                                            object
         4
             vear
                            3387 non-null
                                            int64
        dtypes: float64(1), int64(1), object(3)
        memory usage: 132.4+ KB
In [5]: # Convert foreign gross column as float
        df_bom["foreign_gross"] = df_bom["foreign_gross"].str.replace(",","").astyp
        # Filling na values with 0 on both columns:
        df_bom.update(df_bom[["domestic_gross", "foreign_gross"]].fillna(0))
```

# 2. IMDb

The IMDb dataset is made of 7 tables, each detailing information about movies.

The used tables will be movie\_ratings, movie\_basics and known\_for. movie\_basics includes the movies' genres and movie ids. Movie ids will be used to merge to movie\_ratings to have an understanding of the preferred runtime to be able to better understand those that generate the most profit.

Movie ids is also used to merge to principals, to identify actors who starred in the most profitable movies.

```
In [6]: # Loading and inspecting available datasets
    import zipfile
    with zipfile.ZipFile("data/im.db.zip", "r") as zip_ref:
        zip_ref.extractall("data")

In [7]: # Creating connection to database
    conn = sqlite3.connect("data/im.db")

# Creating a cursor
    cur = conn.cursor()
```

# Out[8]:

	type	name	tbl_name	rootpage	sql
0	table	movie_basics	movie_basics	2	CREATE TABLE "movie_basics" (\n"movie_id" TEXT
1	table	directors	directors	3	CREATE TABLE "directors" (\n"movie_id" TEXT,\n
2	table	known_for	known_for	4	CREATE TABLE "known_for" (\n"person_id" TEXT,\
3	table	movie_akas	movie_akas	5	CREATE TABLE "movie_akas" (\n"movie_id" TEXT,\
4	table	movie_ratings	movie_ratings	6	CREATE TABLE "movie_ratings" (\n"movie_id" TEX
5	table	persons	persons	7	CREATE TABLE "persons" (\n"person_id" TEXT,\n
6	table	principals	principals	8	CREATE TABLE "principals" (\n"movie_id" TEXT,\
7	table	writers	writers	9	CREATE TABLE "writers" (\n"movie_id" TEXT,\n

Now opening and inspecting each table that are contained in df\_imdb into a dataframe.

```
In [9]: # Opening and storing movie_basics table
    movie_basics = pd.read_sql(
    """
    SELECT *
    FROM movie_basics
;
"""
, con=conn)
movie_basics.head(3)
```

#### Out[9]:

	movie_id	primary_title	original_title	start_year	runtime_minutes	genres
0	tt0063540	Sunghursh	Sunghursh	2013	175.0	Action,Crime,Drama
1	tt0066787	One Day Before the Rainy Season	Ashad Ka Ek Din	2019	114.0	Biography,Drama
2	tt0069049	The Other Side of the Wind	The Other Side of the Wind	2018	122.0	Drama

```
In [10]: movie_basics.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 146144 entries, 0 to 146143
Data columns (total 6 columns):
 #
    Column
                      Non-Null Count
                                       Dtype
___
                                       ____
 0
    movie_id
                      146144 non-null object
 1
    primary_title
                     146144 non-null object
    original_title
                     146123 non-null object
 2
 3
     start year
                      146144 non-null int64
 4
    runtime minutes 114405 non-null float64
 5
     genres
                      140736 non-null object
dtypes: float64(1), int64(1), object(4)
memory usage: 6.7+ MB
```

The raw file contains text initially written in non-English language which causes columns to generate unreadable characters (non-ascii).

A new column "clean\_primary" is created to clean the "primary\_title" column. It is first encoded as ascii and then decoded again to be read as a string and to replace the characters.

directors df.head(3)

, con=conn)

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#### Out[12]:

```
        movie_id
        person_id

        0
        tt0285252
        nm0899854

        1
        tt0462036
        nm1940585

        2
        tt0835418
        nm0151540
```

```
In [13]: # Opening and storing known_for table
known_for_df = pd.read_sql(
    """

SELECT *
FROM known_for
;
"""
, con=conn)
known_for_df.head(3)
```

#### Out[13]:

```
    person_id movie_id
    nm0061671 tt0837562
    nm0061671 tt2398241
    nm0061671 tt0844471
```

```
In [14]: # Opening and storing movie_akas table

movie_akas_df = pd.read_sql(
    """

SELECT *
FROM movie_akas
;
"""
, con=conn)

movie_akas_df.head(3)
```

# Out[14]:

	movie_id	ordering	title	region	language	types	attributes	is_original_title
0	tt0369610	10	Джурасик свят	BG	bg	None	None	0.0
1	tt0369610	11	Jurashikku warudo	JP	None	imdbDisplay	None	0.0
2	tt0369610	12	Jurassic World: O Mundo dos Dinossauros	BR	None	imdbDisplay	None	0.0

```
In [15]: # Opening and storing movie_ratings table
movie_ratings_df = pd.read_sql(
    """
    SELECT *
    FROM movie_ratings
    ;
    """
        , con=conn)
    movie_ratings_df.head(3)
```

# Out[15]:

	movie_id	averagerating	numvotes		
0	tt10356526	8.3	31		
1	tt10384606	8.9	559		
2	tt1042974	6.4	20		

```
In [16]: # Opening and storing persons table
    persons_df = pd.read_sql(
    """
    SELECT *
    FROM persons
    ;
    """
    , con=conn)
    persons_df.head(3)
```

# Out[16]:

_	per	son_id	primary_name	birth_year	death_year	primary_profession
-	<b>0</b> nm00	061671	Mary Ellen Bauder	NaN	NaN	miscellaneous,production_manager,producer
	<b>1</b> nm00	061865	Joseph Bauer	NaN	NaN	composer,music_department,sound_department
	<b>2</b> nm00	062070	Bruce Baum	NaN	NaN	miscellaneous,actor,writer

```
In [17]: # Opening and storing principals table

principals_df = pd.read_sql(
    """

    SELECT *
    FROM principals
    ;
    """
        , con=conn)

principals_df.head(3)
```

# Out[17]:

		movie_id	ordering	person_id	category	job	characters
(	0	tt0111414	1	nm0246005	actor	None	["The Man"]
	1	tt0111414	2	nm0398271	director	None	None
4	2	tt0111414	3	nm3739909	producer	producer	None

```
In [18]: # Opening and storing writers table

writers_df = pd.read_sql(
"""

SELECT *
FROM writers
;
"""
, con=conn)

writers_df.head(3)
```

# Out[18]:

	movie_id	person_id
0	tt0285252	nm0899854
1	tt0438973	nm0175726
2	tt0438973	nm1802864

# 3.a. Rotten Tomatoes - Movie Info

In [19]: # Inspecting rt.movie\_info file
# Loading rt.movie\_info and storing data into df\_rt

df\_rt = pd.read\_csv("data/rt.movie\_info.tsv.gz", compression="gzip", sep="\
 df\_rt.head()

# Out[19]:

	id	synopsis	rating	genre	director	writer	theater_date	dvd_c
0	1	This gritty, fast-paced, and innovative police	R	Action and Adventure Classics Drama	William Friedkin	Ernest Tidyman	Oct 9, 1971	Sep 2
1	3	New York City, not- too-distant- future: Eric Pa	R	Drama Science Fiction and Fantasy	David Cronenberg	David Cronenberg Don DeLillo	Aug 17, 2012	Ja 2
2	5	Illeana Douglas delivers a superb performance 	R	Drama Musical and Performing Arts	Allison Anders	Allison Anders	Sep 13, 1996	Apr 2
3	6	Michael Douglas runs afoul of a treacherous su	R	Drama Mystery and Suspense	Barry Levinson	Paul Attanasio Michael Crichton	Dec 9, 1994	Aug 1
4	7	NaN	NR	Drama Romance	Rodney Bennett	Giles Cooper	NaN	1

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1560 entries, 0 to 1559
Data columns (total 12 columns):
 #
    Column
                  Non-Null Count
                                  Dtype
                   _____
___
                                   ____
 0
    id
                   1560 non-null
                                   int64
 1
    synopsis
                   1498 non-null
                                   object
 2
    rating
                   1557 non-null
                                   object
 3
    genre
                   1552 non-null
                                   object
 4
                   1361 non-null
                                   object
    director
                                   object
 5
    writer
                   1111 non-null
 6
    theater_date 1201 non-null
                                   object
                                   object
 7
    dvd_date
                   1201 non-null
                                   object
 8
    currency
                   340 non-null
 9
    box office
                   340 non-null
                                   object
 10 runtime
                   1530 non-null
                                   object
 11
    studio
                   494 non-null
                                   object
dtypes: int64(1), object(11)
memory usage: 146.4+ KB
```

# 3.b. Rotten Tomatoes - Reviews

The Rotten Tomatoes dataset does not contain any movie title or movie id, so is not used in this analysis

```
In [21]: # Inspecting rt.reviews file
# Loading rt.reviews and storing data into df_reviews

df_reviews = pd.read_csv("data/rt.reviews.tsv.gz", compression="gzip", sep=
    df_reviews.head()
```

#### Out[21]:

	id	review	rating	fresh	critic	top_critic	publisher	date
0	3	A distinctly gallows take on contemporary fina	3/5	fresh	PJ Nabarro	0	Patrick Nabarro	November 10, 2018
1	3	It's an allegory in search of a meaning that n	NaN	rotten	Annalee Newitz	0	io9.com	May 23, 2018
2	3	life lived in a bubble in financial dealin	NaN	fresh	Sean Axmaker	0	Stream on Demand	January 4, 2018
3	3	Continuing along a line introduced in last yea	NaN	fresh	Daniel Kasman	0	MUBI	November 16, 2017
4	3	a perverse twist on neorealism	NaN	fresh	NaN	0	Cinema Scope	October 12, 2017

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 54432 entries, 0 to 54431
Data columns (total 8 columns):
                Non-Null Count Dtype
 #
    Column
                _____
 0
    id
                54432 non-null int64
 1
    review
                48869 non-null object
                40915 non-null object
 2
    rating
 3
    fresh
                54432 non-null object
 4
    critic
                51710 non-null object
 5
    top_critic 54432 non-null int64
 6
    publisher
                54123 non-null object
                54432 non-null object
 7
dtypes: int64(2), object(6)
memory usage: 3.3+ MB
```

# 4. The Movie Database

The Movie Database was not used in this particular analysis as The Numbers' dataset contained all information, including budget and worldwide box offife under the same dataset.

```
In [23]: # Loading tmdb.movies and storing data into df_tmdb
# Dropping the unnamed column upon opening
df_tmdb = pd.read_csv("data/tmdb.movies.csv.gz", compression="gzip", index_df_tmdb.head()
```

#### Out[23]:

	genre_ids	id	original_language	original_title	popularity	release_date	title	vote_averag∈
0	[12, 14, 10751]	12444	en	Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1	33.533	2010-11-19	Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1	7.7
1	[14, 12, 16, 10751]	10191	en	How to Train Your Dragon	28.734	2010-03-26	How to Train Your Dragon	7.7
2	[12, 28, 878]	10138	en	Iron Man 2	28.515	2010-05-07	Iron Man 2	6.8
3	[16, 35, 10751]	862	en	Toy Story	28.005	1995-11-22	Toy Story	7.§
4	[28, 878, 12]	27205	en	Inception	27.920	2010-07-16	Inception	8.8

```
In [24]: # Inspect overall shape and info of the dataframe
         df tmdb.shape
         df_tmdb.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         Int64Index: 26517 entries, 0 to 26516
         Data columns (total 9 columns):
          #
              Column
                                 Non-Null Count
                                                 Dtype
         ___
                                                 ____
              genre ids
          0
                                 26517 non-null object
          1
                                 26517 non-null
                                                 int64
                                                 object
          2
              original language 26517 non-null
              original title
          3
                                 26517 non-null object
              popularity
                                 26517 non-null float64
          5
             release_date
                                 26517 non-null object
              title
                                 26517 non-null
                                                 object
          6
          7
              vote average
                                 26517 non-null
                                                 float64
              vote count
                                 26517 non-null int64
          8
         dtypes: float64(2), int64(2), object(5)
         memory usage: 2.0+ MB
```

### 5. The Numbers

The Numbers" dataset contains both box office and budget numbers per movie so the analysis will start from this dataset.

The file is compressed with gzip. The raw file contains text initially written in non-English language which causes columns to generate unreadable characters (non-ascii).

A new column "clean\_movie" is created to clean the "movie" column. It is first encoded as ascii and then decoded again to be read as a string and to replace the characters.

The column "start\_year" will be used to merge the IMDb dataframe with The Numbers" dataframe. "start\_year" s data type is integer so the "year" column will be converted from string to integer in The Number s dataframe.

```
In [27]: df_tn.shape
    df_tn.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 5782 entries, 0 to 5781
Data columns (total 7 columns):
                        Non-Null Count
     Column
                                        Dtype
    _____
                                        ____
     id
 0
                        5782 non-null
                                        int64
 1
    release_date
                        5782 non-null
                                        object
 2
    movie
                        5782 non-null
                                        object
 3
    production_budget
                        5782 non-null
                                        object
 4
    domestic gross
                        5782 non-null
                                        object
 5
    worldwide_gross
                                        object
                        5782 non-null
 6
     clean_movie
                        5782 non-null
                                        object
dtypes: int64(1), object(6)
memory usage: 316.3+ KB
```

All number columns are turned as integers to be able to make calculations from them.

#### Out[28]:

	id	release_date	movie	production_budget	domestic_gross	worldwide_gross	clean_movie
0	1	Dec 18, 2009	Avatar	425000000	760507625	2776345279	Avatar
1	2	May 20, 2011	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	410600000	241063875	1045663875	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides
2	3	Jun 7, 2019	Dark Phoenix	350000000	42762350	149762350	Dark Phoenix
3	4	May 1, 2015	Avengers: Age of Ultron	330600000	459005868	1403013963	Avengers: Age of Ultron
4	5	Dec 15, 2017	Star Wars Ep. VIII: The Last Jedi	317000000	620181382	1316721747	Star Wars Ep. VIII: The Last Jedi

# **Data Preparation**

The Numbers dataset, as well as IMDb 3 tables are used to conduct the analysis.

# 1. Numeric columns

Two columns were created in The Numbers' Dataset.

- worldwide profit column is created by subtracting budget to worldwide gross
  - Profit is calculated by decucting costs from revenues
  - worldwide\_profit is divided by one million to facilitate reading
- year: using the year in the date of release\_date column

#### 1. a. Worldwide profit

```
In [29]: # Create worldwide profit column divided by 1,000,000 for easier read. The
         df tn["worldwide profit"] = (df tn["worldwide gross"] - df tn["production b
         df_tn["worldwide_profit"]
Out[29]: 0
                 2351.345279
                   635.063875
                 -200.237650
         2
         3
                 1072.413963
         4
                   999.721747
         5777
                   -0.007000
         5778
                    0.234495
         5779
                   -0.003662
         5780
                   -0.001400
         5781
                    0.179941
         Name: worldwide profit, Length: 5782, dtype: float64
```

#### 1. b. Year

```
In [30]: # Create year column
df_tn["year"] = df_tn["release_date"].str[-4:].astype(int)
```

A histogram of all movies' profit was drawn to understand what profit threshold determines whether a movie is considered successful, from its results.

The histogram is highly skewed to the left, indicating most movies either don't make profit or make up to \$300 million.

The number of movies reduces drastically from the \$500 million profit mark, making it the threshold to define top performer movies to base the analysis on.

```
In [31]: # See distribution through histograms to determine which movies to focus on
fig = plt.subplots(figsize=(10,6))

x = df_tn["worldwide_profit"]
num_bins = 10
plt.hist(x, num_bins, color="#FFB900")
plt.title("Distribution of Movies by Profit Generated")
plt.xlabel("Profit in Million USD")
plt.ylabel("Number of Movies")
```



# 2. Creating the Dataframe for Most Profitable Movies

### 2.a. df\_top\_tn

The dataframe df\_top\_tn is now created to filter only on top performing movies since 2010.

```
In [32]: df_top_tn = df_tn[(df_tn["worldwide_profit"] > 0.5) & (df_tn["year"] > 2009
# len(df_top_tn)
df_top_tn.head()
```

#### Out[32]:

	id	release_date	movie	production_budget	domestic_gross	worldwide_gross	clean_movie	١
1	2	May 20, 2011	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	410600000	241063875	1045663875	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	_
3	4	May 1, 2015	Avengers: Age of Ultron	330600000	459005868	1403013963	Avengers: Age of Ultron	
4	5	Dec 15, 2017	Star Wars Ep. VIII: The Last Jedi	317000000	620181382	1316721747	Star Wars Ep. VIII: The Last Jedi	
5	6	Dec 18, 2015	Star Wars Ep. VII: The Force Awakens	306000000	936662225	2053311220	Star Wars Ep. VII: The Force Awakens	
6	7	Apr 27, 2018	Avengers: Infinity War	30000000	678815482	2048134200	Avengers: Infinity War	

#### 2.b. movie\_title\_episode columns

The column movie\_title\_episode is created in The Numbers' top performing dataframe "df\_top\_tn" to be used as the main column to merge this dataframe with the from IMDb.

Two columns are created:

- 1. movie\_title
- 2. movie\_episode

Separating the title of the movie from the episode when it was made in sequels. Both are then combined again into the column movie\_title\_episode ensuring the punctuation is stripped.

When movie titles could not be stripped by a general rule, they were individually modified.

The same columns are created, the same way in "movie\_basics"

# 2.b.1. movie\_episode column

In [33]: 1. # Creating movie episode column # Under movie episode, keeping only what comes after ":", replace the na va df top tn["movie episode"] = df top tn["clean movie"].map(lambda x: x.split # Replace roman numbers for part 1 and 2 for Harry Potter and the Deathly H df top tn["movie\_episode"] = df\_top\_tn["movie\_episode"].str.replace("part i # df top tn[["movie episode lambda", "movie episode"]] # Remove comas for Twilight: df\_top\_tn["movie\_episode"] = df\_top\_tn["movie\_episode"].str.replace(",", "" # Remove hyphen for Hunger Games: df\_top\_tn["movie\_episode"] = df\_top\_tn["movie\_episode"].str.replace(" -", " # Create space between mission impossible and rest of the movie title, remo df top tn["movie episode"] = df top tn["movie episode"].str.replace("imposs # Spiderman contains 3D, to remove df top tn["movie episode"] = df top tn["movie episode"].str.replace(" 3d", # Used only to verify that a specific movie is changed as expected df top tn[df top tn["clean movie"].str.contains("(?i)spider")]

```
<ipython-input-33-16bfe02c1a0e>:4: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead
See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-do
cs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (http
s://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user guide/indexing.html#returni
ng-a-view-versus-a-copy)
  df_top_tn["movie_episode"] = df_top_tn["clean_movie"].map(lambda x: x.s
plit(r":")).str[1].fillna("").str.lower()
<ipython-input-33-16bfe02c1a0e>:8: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row_indexer,col_indexer] = value instead
See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-do
cs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (http
s://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user guide/indexing.html#returni
ng-a-view-versus-a-copy)
  df_top_tn["movie_episode"] = df_top_tn["movie_episode"].str.replace("pa
rt ii", "part 2", regex=False).str.replace("part i", "part 1", regex=False
<ipython-input-33-16bfe02c1a0e>:12: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row_indexer,col_indexer] = value instead
See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-do
cs/stable/user guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (http
s://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user guide/indexing.html#returni
ng-a-view-versus-a-copy)
  df top tn["movie episode"] = df top tn["movie episode"].str.replace
(",", "", regex=False)
<ipython-input-33-16bfe02c1a0e>:15: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead
See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-do
cs/stable/user guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (http
s://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user guide/indexing.html#returni
ng-a-view-versus-a-copy)
  df top tn["movie episode"] = df top tn["movie episode"].str.replace(" -
", "", regex=False)
<ipython-input-33-16bfe02c1a0e>:18: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead
See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-do
cs/stable/user guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (http
s://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user guide/indexing.html#returni
ng-a-view-versus-a-copy)
  df_top_tn["movie_episode"] = df_top_tn["movie_episode"].str.replace("im
possible", "impossible ", regex=False)
<ipython-input-33-16bfe02c1a0e>:21: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead
See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-do
cs/stable/user guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (http
```

s://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user\_guide/indexing.html#returni
ng-a-view-versus-a-copy)

df\_top\_tn["movie\_episode"] = df\_top\_tn["movie\_episode"].str.replace(" 3
d", "", regex=False)

#### Out[33]:

clean_mo	worldwide_gross	domestic_gross	production_budget	movie	release_date	id	
The Amazi Spider-M	757890267	262030663	220000000	The Amazing Spider-Man	Jul 3, 2012	31	30
The Amazi Spider-M	708996336	202853933	200000000	The Amazing Spider-Man 2	May 2, 2014	56	55
Spider-Ma Homecomi	880166350	334201140	175000000	Spider-Man: Homecoming	Jul 7, 2017	99	98
Spider-Ma Into T Spider-Vei	375381768	190173195	90000000	Spider-Man: Into The Spider-Verse 3D	Dec 14, 2018	44	443

# 2.b.2. movie\_title and movie\_episode column

```
In [34]: # Creating column movie title if there were more than 1 movie
         df top tn["movie title"] = df top tn["clean movie"].str.split("Ep\.").str[0]
         # Leaving the "'"
         # df top tn["movie title"] = df top tn["clean movie"].str.split("Ep\.").str
         # Creating column combining the movie title and the episode to have the sam
         df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title"].str.replace("."
         # Changing "???" and to space, and "??" to "e" and changing apostrophe to
         df top tn["movie_title_episode"] = df_top_tn["movie_title_episode"].str.rep
         # Extract Dr Seuss and Doctor Seuss, removing extra space on The Lorax and
         df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title episode"].str.rep
         # Mission impossible extra space
         df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title episode"].str.rep
         # Monster Hunt
         df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title episode"].str.rep
         # The Conjuring
         df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title episode"].str.rep
         # The Hangover Part III
         df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title episode"].str.rep
         # We're the millers
         # df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title episode"].str.r
         # John Wick 3 Parabellum
         df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title episode"].str.rep
         # Changing Disney Planes to Planes
         df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title episode"].str.rep
         # Changing Disney Planes to Planes
         df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title episode"].str.rep
         # # Changing Disney Planes to Planes
         # df top tn["movie title episode"] = df top tn["movie title episode"].str.r
         # Used only to verify that a specific movie is changed as expected
         df top tn[df top tn["clean movie"].str.contains("(?i)millers")]
```

<ipython-input-34-59ec59bf2ed1>:2: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead

See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user\_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user\_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy)

df\_top\_tn["movie\_title"] = df\_top\_tn["clean\_movie"].str.split("Ep\.").s
tr[0].str.split("\bPart\b").str[0].str.split(r"[:)(!]").str[0].str.strip
().str.lower()

<ipython-input-34-59ec59bf2ed1>:8: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row\_indexer,col\_indexer] = value instead

See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user\_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user\_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy)

- In [35]: # This cell is used only for troubleshooting. For troubleshoot: replace spa
  df\_top\_tn[df\_top\_tn["movie\_title\_episode"].str.contains("(?i)insurgent", na
- Out[35]: 321 insurgent
  Name: movie\_title\_episode, dtype: object

Now applying the same process in the dataframe movie\_basics to allow to merge the two dataframes on the column "movie title episode".

```
In [36]: # Same process in movie basics
         # Creating column movie episode if there were more than 1 movie
         movie basics["movie episode"] = movie basics["clean primary"].str.split(r":
         # Creating column movie title if there were more than 1 movie
         # movie basics["movie title"] = movie basics["clean primary"].str.split("\b
         movie basics["movie title"] = movie basics["clean primary"].str.split("\bPa
         \# Creating column combining the movie title and the episode to have the sam
         movie basics["movie title episode"] = movie basics["movie title"] + movie
         # movie basics["movie title episode"] = movie basics["movie title"] + movi
         # Change apostrophe to space
         movie basics["movie title episode"] = movie basics["movie title episode"].s
         # Turn Eight to numeric in Ocean's 8
         movie basics["movie title episode"] = movie basics["movie title episode"].s
         # Correcting Maze Runner
         movie basics["movie title episode"] = movie basics["movie title episode"].s
         # Changing Shazam
         movie basics["movie title episode"] = movie basics["movie title episode"].s
         # Changing Jackass Bad Grandpa
         movie basics["movie title episode"] = movie basics["movie title episode"].s
         # Changing Prince of Persia
         movie basics["movie title episode"] = movie basics["movie title episode"].s
         # For verification
         # movie basics[movie basics["original title"].str.contains("(?i)sands of ti
In [37]: |# For troubleshoot: replace spaces with " "
         movie basics[movie basics["movie title episode"].str.contains("(?i)hansel",
Out[37]: 7512
                            hansel and gretel witch hunters
         27509
                                hansel and gretel get baked
         38504
                   hansel and gretel warriors of witchcraft
         70676
                                           hansel_et_gretel
         72618
                                           hansel vs gretel
         120097
                                          hansel und gretel
         140254
                                          gretel and hansel
         Name: movie_title_episode, dtype: object
```

# 3. Merging Both Dataframes Into top\_movies

Now that the column movie\_title\_episode was created in both dataframes, most profitable movies from The Numbers and Basics from IMDb database. The two dataframes are also merged on year, to avoid duplication if two movies are named the same, for example Les Miserables.

```
In [38]: top movies = pd.merge(df top tn, movie basics, how="left",
                               left_on=["movie_title_episode", "year"],
                               right on=["movie_title_episode", "start_year"])
In [39]: top_movies.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         Int64Index: 1321 entries, 0 to 1320
         Data columns (total 21 columns):
          #
              Column
                                    Non-Null Count
                                                    Dtype
         ___
              _____
          0
              id
                                    1321 non-null
                                                     int64
          1
              release date
                                    1321 non-null
                                                    object
          2
              movie
                                    1321 non-null
                                                    object
          3
              production_budget
                                    1321 non-null
                                                     int64
          4
              domestic gross
                                    1321 non-null
                                                     int64
          5
                                                     int64
              worldwide_gross
                                    1321 non-null
          6
              clean movie
                                    1321 non-null
                                                    object
          7
              worldwide profit
                                    1321 non-null
                                                    float64
          8
              year
                                    1321 non-null
                                                     int64
          9
              movie_episode_x
                                    1321 non-null
                                                    object
              movie title x
                                    1321 non-null
                                                    object
          10
          11
              movie_title_episode
                                    1321 non-null
                                                    object
          12
              movie id
                                    1135 non-null
                                                    object
          13
              primary_title
                                    1135 non-null
                                                    object
          14
             original title
                                    1135 non-null
                                                    object
          15 start year
                                                    float64
                                    1135 non-null
                                                    float64
          16 runtime minutes
                                    1131 non-null
          17
              genres
                                    1134 non-null
                                                    object
              clean primary
                                    1135 non-null
          18
                                                    object
              movie episode y
                                    1135 non-null
                                                    object
              movie title y
                                    1135 non-null
                                                    object
         dtypes: float64(3), int64(5), object(13)
         memory usage: 227.0+ KB
```

The null rows for movie\_id all represent movies that generated profits lower than \$500 million and the sample already contains more than 1,100 rows so is large enough to be representative. Null values will be dropped.

```
In [40]: top_profit_movies = top_movies.dropna(subset=["movie_id"])
```

```
In [41]: top_profit_movies.info()
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 1135 entries, 0 to 1320
Data columns (total 21 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	id	1135 non-null	int64
1	release_date	1135 non-null	object
2	movie	1135 non-null	object
3	<pre>production_budget</pre>	1135 non-null	int64
4	domestic_gross	1135 non-null	int64
5	worldwide_gross	1135 non-null	int64
6	clean_movie	1135 non-null	object
7	worldwide_profit	1135 non-null	float64
8	year	1135 non-null	int64
9	movie_episode_x	1135 non-null	object
10	movie_title_x	1135 non-null	object
11	<pre>movie_title_episode</pre>	1135 non-null	object
12	movie_id	1135 non-null	object
13	<pre>primary_title</pre>	1135 non-null	object
14	original_title	1135 non-null	object
15	start_year	1135 non-null	float64
16	runtime_minutes	1131 non-null	float64
17	genres	1134 non-null	object
18	clean_primary	1135 non-null	object
19	movie_episode_y	1135 non-null	object
20	movie_title_y	1135 non-null	object
1.		/F\ .1 ' /13\	

dtypes: float64(3), int64(5), object(13)

memory usage: 195.1+ KB

In [42]: top\_profit\_movies.head()

#### Out[42]:

	id	release_date	movie	production_budget	domestic_gross	worldwide_gross	clean_movie	١
0	2	May 20, 2011	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	410600000	241063875	1045663875	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	_
1	4	May 1, 2015	Avengers: Age of Ultron	330600000	459005868	1403013963	Avengers: Age of Ultron	
2	5	Dec 15, 2017	Star Wars Ep. VIII: The Last Jedi	317000000	620181382	1316721747	Star Wars Ep. VIII: The Last Jedi	
3	6	Dec 18, 2015	Star Wars Ep. VII: The Force Awakens	306000000	936662225	2053311220	Star Wars Ep. VII: The Force Awakens	
4	7	Apr 27, 2018	Avengers: Infinity War	300000000	678815482	2048134200	Avengers: Infinity War	

5 rows × 21 columns

Unnecessary or duplicated columns are dropped. Only the genre, the cleaned version of the title is necessary, along with the year

```
In [43]: # Drop unnecessary columns
top_profit_movies = top_profit_movies.drop(columns=["release_date", "id","m
```

In [44]: top\_profit\_movies.head()

# Out[44]:

	production_budget	domestic_gross	worldwide_gross	clean_movie	worldwide_profit	year	movie
0	410600000	241063875	1045663875	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	635.063875	2011	
1	330600000	459005868	1403013963	Avengers: Age of Ultron	1072.413963	2015	a'
2	317000000	620181382	1316721747	Star Wars Ep. VIII: The Last Jedi	999.721747	2017	sta
3	306000000	936662225	2053311220	Star Wars Ep. VII: The Force Awakens	1747.311220	2015	star
4	30000000	678815482	2048134200	Avengers: Infinity War	1748.134200	2018	aveng

# **Data Modeling**

# 1. Evaluating most profitable genres

Multiple genres are attributed to genres but only the first one, the main genre, will be used to determine the category of a movie.

To do so, the column genre will be turned as a list so the column "main\_genre" can be created with the first item of the list.

The sum of profit by genre is calculated using groupby, and summarized among the top 10 genres.

Action genre generated the most profit between 2010 and 2018, producing over 82 billion dollars in profit. Adventure and Comedy movies get the second and third place, reaching respectively 37 and 15 billion dollar profit over these years.

Focusing on these three genres - primarily Action movies, will be the safest choice for Microsoft to ensure higher profits can be generated.

```
In [45]: top_profit_movies["genres"] = top_profit_movies["genres"].str.split(",")
    top_profit_movies["main_genre"] = top_profit_movies["genres"].str[0]
    top_profit_movies.head()
```

### Out[45]:

movie_1	year	worldwide_profit	clean_movie	worldwide_gross	domestic_gross	production_budget	
•	2011	635.063875	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	1045663875	241063875	410600000	0
ave	2015	1072.413963	Avengers: Age of Ultron	1403013963	459005868	330600000	1
star	2017	999.721747	Star Wars Ep. VIII: The Last Jedi	1316721747	620181382	317000000	2
star v	2015	1747.311220	Star Wars Ep. VII: The Force Awakens	2053311220	936662225	306000000	3
avenge	2018	1748.134200	Avengers: Infinity War	2048134200	678815482	30000000	4

In [46]: top\_10\_genres = top\_profit\_movies.groupby(["main\_genre"])[["worldwide\_gross
top\_10\_genres

# Out[46]:

	main_genre	worldwide_gross	worldwide_profit
0	Action	116773469805	82337.079805
1	Adventure	50645833404	37273.233404
2	Comedy	21769929094	15392.479094
3	Drama	16074553460	12183.230810
4	Biography	8864816505	6758.046505
5	Horror	7185039446	6223.939446
6	Crime	4149855259	2826.155259
7	Animation	2618078686	2195.078686
8	Fantasy	1777512123	1398.512123
9	Documentary	1799732034	1220.407034

```
In [47]: # Displaying sum of profit by genres
fig1, ax1 = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 10))

x = top_10_genres["main_genre"]
y = top_10_genres["worldwide_profit"]

sns.set(style="whitegrid", color_codes=True, font_scale=2)

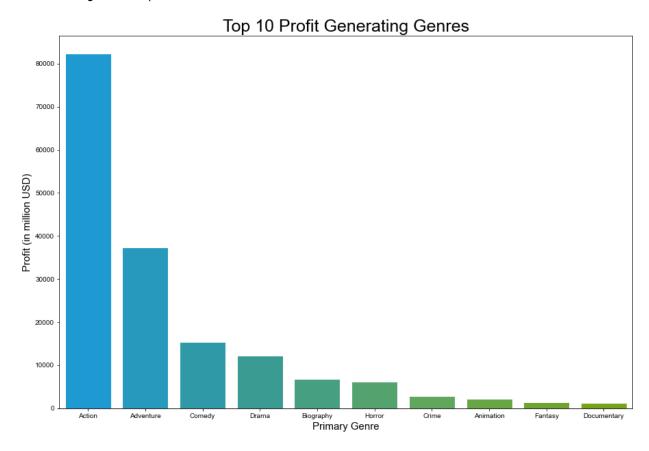
sns.barplot(x, y, palette="blend:#00A4EF,#7FBA00")

ax1.set_title("Top 10 Profit Generating Genres", fontsize=25)
ax1.set_xlabel("Primary Genre", fontsize=15)
ax1.set_ylabel("Profit (in million USD)", fontsize=15)

plt.savefig("images/profit_genres.png")
```

/Users/albane/opt/anaconda3/envs/learn-env/lib/python3.8/site-packages/se aborn/\_decorators.py:36: FutureWarning: Pass the following variables as k eyword args: x, y. From version 0.12, the only valid positional argument will be `data`, and passing other arguments without an explicit keyword w ill result in an error or misinterpretation.

warnings.warn(



# 2. Defining How Long a Movie Should Run For

The relationship between profit, preferrence and runtime is evaluated by merging the top\_profit\_movies dataframe created and the movie\_ratings\_df from IMDb.

Both dataframes are merged on the movie\_id column and unnecessary, duplicate columns are dropped. In this case, genre is not evaluated so is dropped as well.

Most movies run higher than 75 minutes so shorter movies are considered outliers and dropped.

While the median movie lasts 107 minutes, and average rating is at 6.5, the most profitable movies may vary between short and longer times - the most profitable movies even seem to last much longer: around 140 minutes. The low result of Pearson"s correlation: 0.30, confirms there is no correlation between how long a movie is and how profitable it can be.

```
In [48]: profit and ratings = top profit movies.merge(movie ratings df,
                                                    how="inner",
                                                   left_on="movie_id",
                                                   right on="movie id")
In [49]: profit and ratings = profit and ratings.drop(columns=["clean movie", "movie"
In [50]:
         # Removing outliers
         profit and ratings = profit and ratings[profit and ratings["runtime minutes"]
In [51]: runtime = profit and ratings["runtime minutes"].tolist()
         ratings = profit and ratings["averagerating"].tolist()
In [52]: median runtime = np.median(runtime)
         print(median runtime)
         median rating = np.median(ratings)
         print(median rating)
         107.0
         6.5
In [53]: profit and ratings[["worldwide profit", "runtime minutes"]].corr(method="
Out[53]:
                       worldwide_profit runtime_minutes
          worldwide_profit
                             1.000000
                                           0.303556
```

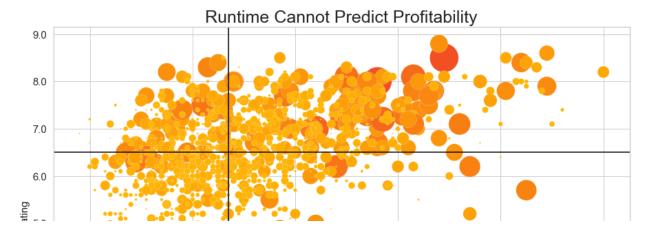
1.000000

runtime\_minutes

0.303556

```
In [54]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 10))
         sns.scatterplot(data=profit_and_ratings,
                         x="runtime_minutes",
                         y="averagerating",
                        hue="worldwide profit",
                        s=profit_and_ratings["worldwide_profit"],
                        palette="blend: #FFB900, #F25022")
         plt.axvline(x=median runtime, color="black")
         plt.axhline(y=median_rating, color="black")
         ax.set_title("Runtime Cannot Predict Profitability", fontsize=25)
         ax.set_xlabel("Runtime in Minutes", fontsize=15)
         ax.set ylabel("Rating", fontsize=15)
         ax.set xticklabels(ax.get xticks(),size = 15)
         ax.set_yticklabels(ax.get_yticks(),size = 15)
         plt.legend(title="Profit", fontsize=15)
         plt.savefig("images/profit_runtime.png")
         plt.show()
```

<ipython-input-54-98a9c1fbad77>:15: UserWarning: FixedFormatter should on
ly be used together with FixedLocator
 ax.set\_xticklabels(ax.get\_xticks(),size = 15)
<ipython-input-54-98a9c1fbad77>:16: UserWarning: FixedFormatter should on
ly be used together with FixedLocator
 ax.set yticklabels(ax.get yticks(),size = 15)



# 3. Identifying the Actors Most Likely to Generate Profits

The principals table from IMDb database is filtered on the category "actor" and "actress" to then be merged with the persons table from the same database.

This creates the actors\_names" dataframe, associating person\_id with the person"s name - for actors and actresses only.

The age of the actors is not analyzed here so columns related to birth and death are dropped, along with whether the person has other professions.

actors\_names is then merged with the top\_profit\_movies. The final dataframe top\_profit\_movies\_actors is created.

Finally, using groupby, the sum of profit generated by actors and actresses between 2010 and 2018 is calculated and stored in the dataframe top\_10\_actors\_profit.

Among the top actors, Robert Downey Jr. is the one who created the most profit with 7.8 billion dollars, closely followed by Dwayne Johnson with 6.7 billion dollars, and Chris Evans, with 5.8 billion.

Casting these actors in movies is more likely to contribute in the movie"s success, hence reaching higher profits.

```
In [55]: # Filtering only on category of persons identified as actor
    df_actors = principals_df[["movie_id", "person_id", "category"]]
    df_actors = df_actors[(df_actors["category"] == "actor") | (df_actors["catedf_actors.head()
```

# Out[55]:

	movie_id	person_id	category
0	tt0111414	nm0246005	actor
4	tt0323808	nm3579312	actress
5	tt0323808	nm2694680	actor
6	tt0323808	nm0574615	actor
7	tt0323808	nm0502652	actress

In [57]: actors\_names.head()

#### Out[57]:

	movie_id	person_id	category	primary_name	birth_year	death_year	primary_profession
0	tt0111414	nm0246005	actor	Tommy Dysart	NaN	NaN	actor
1	tt0323808	nm3579312	actress	Brittania Nicol	NaN	NaN	actress,soundtrack
2	tt0323808	nm2694680	actor	Henry Garrett	NaN	NaN	actor
3	tt0323808	nm0574615	actor	Graham McTavish	1961.0	NaN	actor,soundtrack,director
4	tt1680140	nm0574615	actor	Graham McTavish	1961.0	NaN	actor,soundtrack,director

```
In [58]: # Drop unnecessary columns
actors_names = actors_names.drop(columns=["birth_year", "death_year", "prim")
```

```
In [59]: actors_names.head()
```

# Out[59]:

	movie_id	person_id	category	primary_name
0	tt0111414	nm0246005	actor	Tommy Dysart
1	tt0323808	nm3579312	actress	Brittania Nicol
2	tt0323808	nm2694680	actor	Henry Garrett
3	tt0323808	nm0574615	actor	Graham McTavish
4	tt1680140	nm0574615	actor	Graham McTavish

# In [61]: top\_profit\_movies\_actors.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 4433 entries, 0 to 4432
Data columns (total 14 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	production_budget	4433 non-null	int64
1	domestic_gross	4433 non-null	int64
2	worldwide_gross	4433 non-null	int64
3	clean_movie	4433 non-null	object
4	worldwide_profit	4433 non-null	float64
5	year	4433 non-null	int64
6	movie_title_episode	4433 non-null	object
7	movie_id	4433 non-null	object
8	runtime_minutes	4425 non-null	float64
9	genres	4430 non-null	object
10	main_genre	4430 non-null	object
11	person_id	4433 non-null	object
12	category	4433 non-null	object
13	primary_name	4433 non-null	object
dtvp	es: float64(2), int64	(4), object(8)	

dtypes: float64(2), int64(4), object(8)

memory usage: 519.5+ KB

In [62]: top\_profit\_movies\_actors.head()

# Out[62]:

	production_budget	domestic_gross	worldwide_gross	clean_movie	worldwide_profit	year	movie
0	410600000	241063875	1045663875	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	635.063875	2011	
1	410600000	241063875	1045663875	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	635.063875	2011	
2	410600000	241063875	1045663875	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	635.063875	2011	
3	410600000	241063875	1045663875	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	635.063875	2011	
4	330600000	459005868	1403013963	Avengers: Age of Ultron	1072.413963	2015	a'

In [63]: top\_10\_actors\_profit = top\_profit\_movies\_actors.groupby(["primary\_name"])[[

In [64]: top\_10\_actors\_profit

# Out[64]:

	primary_name	worldwide_gross	worldwide_profit
0	Robert Downey Jr.	9649390358	7758.790358
1	Dwayne Johnson	8620447217	6747.447217
2	Chris Evans	7291117419	5823.517419
3	Vin Diesel	6376832737	5078.832737
4	Chris Pratt	5967404450	4748.904450
5	Chris Hemsworth	6127577586	4658.977586
6	Mark Ruffalo	5397048105	4317.448105
7	Anne Hathaway	5349458875	4047.458875
8	Scarlett Johansson	4839122463	3893.622463
9	Jennifer Lawrence	4963879467	3821.729467

```
In [65]: # Displaying sum of profit by actors
fig2, ax2 = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 10))

x = top_10_actors_profit["worldwide_profit"]
y = top_10_actors_profit["primary_name"]

sns.set(style="whitegrid", color_codes=True)

sns.barplot(x, y, palette="blend:#FFB900,#00A4EF", orient="h")

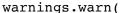
ax2.set_title("Most Profitable Actors", fontsize=25)
ax2.set_xlabel("Profit in Million USD", fontsize=15)

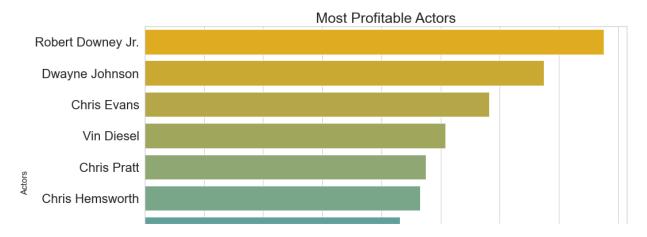
ax2.set_ylabel("Actors", fontsize=15)

plt.savefig("images/profit_actors.png")

plt.show()
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/Users/albane/opt/anaconda3/envs/learn-env/lib/python3.8/site-packages/se aborn/\_decorators.py:36: FutureWarning: Pass the following variables as k eyword args: x, y. From version 0.12, the only valid positional argument will be `data`, and passing other arguments without an explicit keyword w ill result in an error or misinterpretation.





# **Conclusions**

# Below are three recommendations to create profitable movies

# 1. Genre

 The first recommendation is to produce Action movies - which have generated the most profit from 2010 to 2018. This genre created 82 billion dollars profit over these years: 45 billion more than the second most profitable genre: Adventure. Comedy movies would come third recommendation for movies' genre to ensure reaching the highest profits rapidly.

#### 2. Runtime

• The second recommendation is to not fall into the trap of making a shorter movie to hope to reach a broader audience. No correlation was found between a movie's length in minutes and the profit it generated. While the median movie runs for 107 minutes, the most profitable ones have seen to be longer (140 minutes) or shorter (90 minutes), against initial expectations.

# 3. Casting

• The last recommendation is to pick actors carefully. A list of actors became notably famous in their genre and are linked to higher profits generated. Actors such as Robert Downey Jr., Dwayne Johnson, Chris Evans have starred in the most profitable movies and became icons for the Action, Adventure and Comedy movies and are more likely to arouse interest for the movies they are part of. Care should be exercised to ensure these actors are associated with the genre they are famous for.

#### Limitations

- The analysis was run on the years 2010 to 2018 and would be more precise if it included even more recent data
- Some of the movies were not matched with a genre due to title differences and higher precision would be gained by pairing movie\_id rather than merging on movie titles
- The analysis is based on box office profits, which do not include all other more recent revenue generators such as streaming revenue and product placement.

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In [66]: # Closing connection
conn.close()
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