



SENTIMENT ANALYSIS IN R: THE TIDY WAY

Ranking pop songs through the years

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Lyrics of pop songs

`song_lyrics`

- rank, the rank a song achieved on the Billboard Year-End Hot 100
- song, the song's title
- artist, the artist who recorded the song
- year, the year the song reached the given rank on the Billboard chart
- lyrics, the lyrics of the song.

Lyrics from the Billboard Year-End Hot 100, [sourced by Kaylin Walker](#)



Tidying song lyrics

```
> tidy_lyrics %>%  
  count(word, sort = TRUE)  
  
# A tibble: 42,156 x 2  
  word      n  
  <chr> <int>  
1  you 64606  
2   i 56472  
3  the 53451  
4   to 35752  
5  and 32555  
6   me 31170  
7   a 29282  
8   it 25688  
9   my 22821  
10  in 18553  
# ... with 42,146 more rows
```

Sentiment analysis of pop songs

```
> lyric_sentiment %>%  
  count(song, sentiment, total_words)  
  
# A tibble: 39,564 x 4  
   song      sentiment total_words    n  
   <chr>      <chr>      <int> <int>  
1 0 to 100 the catch up    anger      894   29  
2 0 to 100 the catch up anticipation 894   14  
3 0 to 100 the catch up    disgust    894   33  
4 0 to 100 the catch up    fear      894    9  
5 0 to 100 the catch up    joy       894    5  
6 0 to 100 the catch up negative    894   47  
7 0 to 100 the catch up positive    894   34  
8 0 to 100 the catch up    sadness    894   12  
9 0 to 100 the catch up    surprise    894    8  
10 0 to 100 the catch up    trust      894   29  
# ... with 39,554 more rows
```



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Let's practice!



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Connecting sentiment to other quantities

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Sentiment and...

- how far a song reached on the Billboard chart?
- when the song was released?

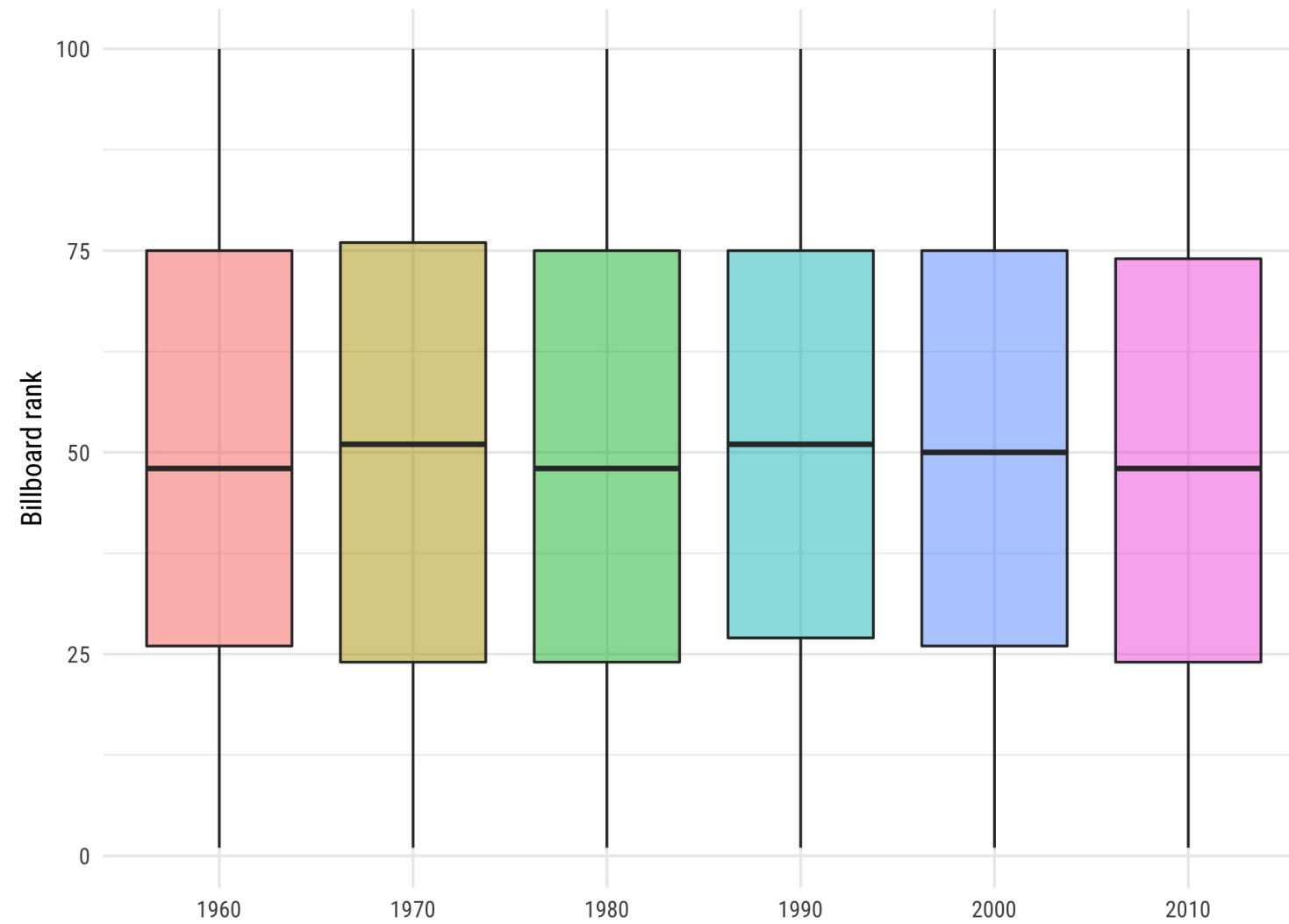


Sentiment and rank

```
> lyric_sentiment %>%  
  filter(sentiment == "positive") %>%  
  count(song, rank, total_words)  
  
# A tibble: 4,777 x 4  
      song rank total_words  n  
   <chr> <int>    <int> <int>  
1 0 to 100 the catch up  97    894  34  
2 1 2 3 4 sumpin new  40    670  18  
3 1 2 3 red light  48    145   9  
4 1 2 step  5    437  20  
5 100 pure love  46    590  11  
6 100 pure love  82    590  11  
7 100 years  77    257   4  
8 123 62  220  15  
9 18 and life  61    285   9  
10 19 somethin  84    281   6  
# ... with 4,767 more rows
```




Exploring with boxplots





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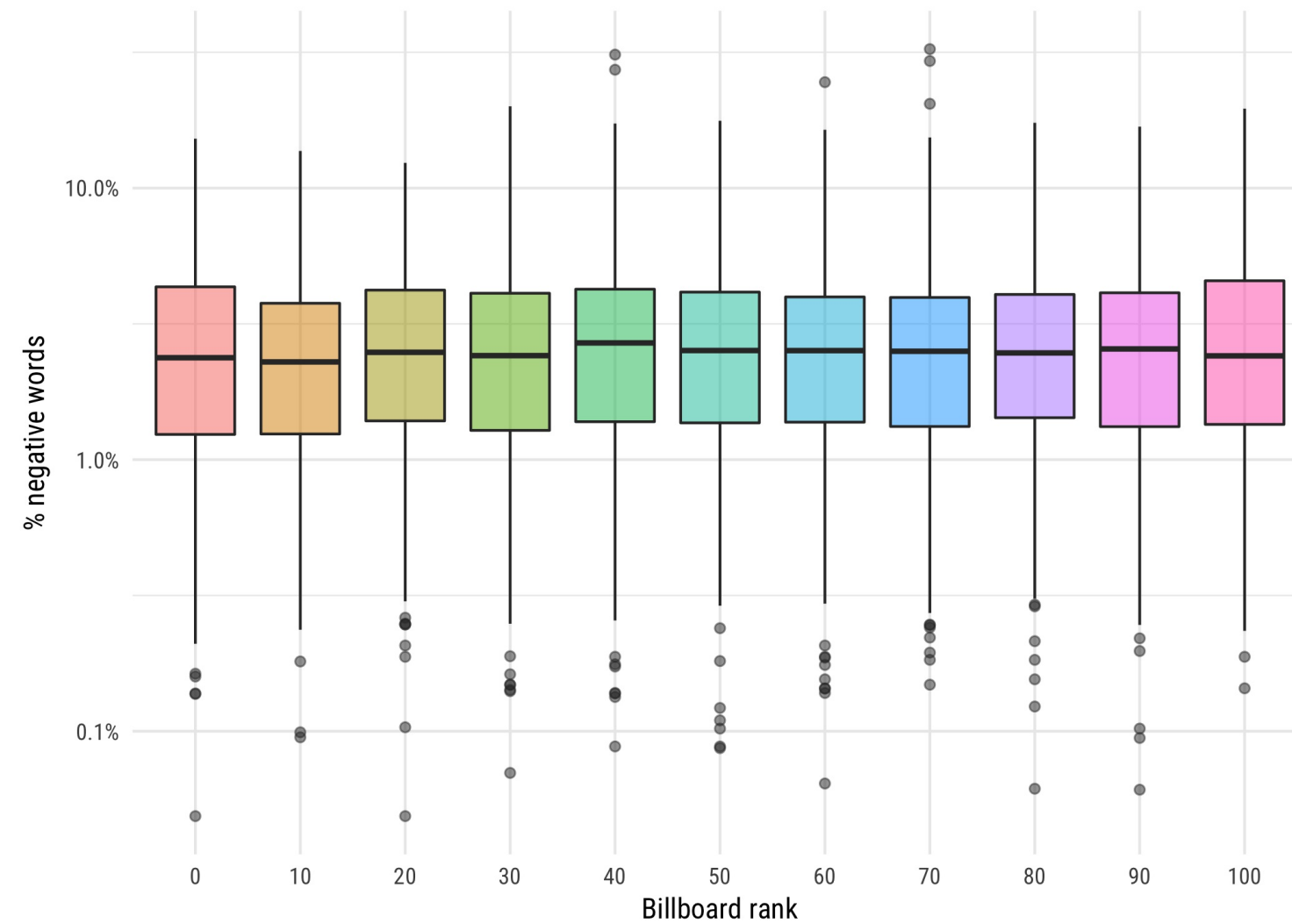
Moving from rank to year

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Sentiment and rank





Pop songs over time

```
> lyric_sentiment %>%  
  filter(sentiment == "positive") %>%  
  count(song, year, total_words)  
  
# A tibble: 4,772 x 4  
      song year total_words    n  
  <chr> <int>    <int> <int>  
1 0 to 100 the catch up 2014    894   34  
2 1 2 3 4 sumpin new 1996    670   18  
3 1 2 3 red light 1968    145    9  
4 1 2 step 2005    437   20  
5 100 pure love 1994    590   11  
6 100 pure love 1995    590   11  
7 100 years 2004    257    4  
8 123 1988    220   15  
9 18 and life 1989    285    9  
10 19 somethin 2003    281    6  
# ... with 4,762 more rows
```



Pop songs over time

- Define new columns using `mutate()`
- Visualize using `geom_boxplot()`



Modeling sentiment

```
sentiment_model <- lm(percent ~ year, data = sentiment_by_year)
summary(sentiment_model)
```



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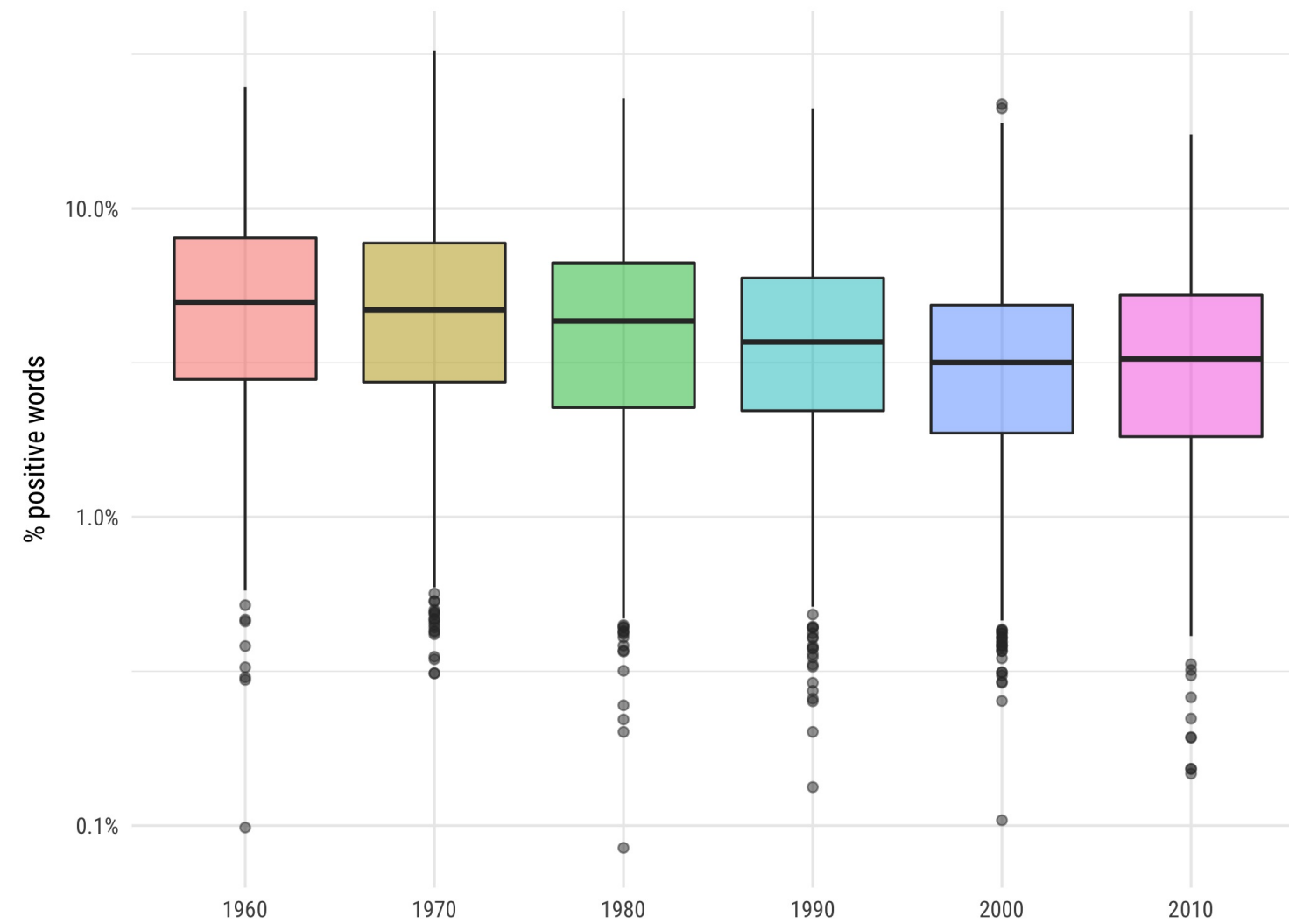
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Positive sentiment and year





Diverse texts, powerful techniques

- Social media text from Twitter
- Classic narrative text by Shakespeare
- TV news text sourced from closed captioning
- Lyrics from pop songs



Tidy text

Tidy data principles makes text mining easier and more effective

<http://tidytextmining.com/>



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Thanks!