



Analysis of non-English Movies

Popular on TMDb

What original content should be made?

Nowadays most people do not just watch American or English movies. Foreign films are quite popular and are worth investing in.

However, deciding what foreign content should be made might not be as clear. Today we explore how non-English movies have performed and see if we can narrow down the choices by looking at language and genre trends.

Questions Addressed

Most popular & profitable genres for non-English movies?

Most popular & profitable languages?

Trends over the last thirty years?

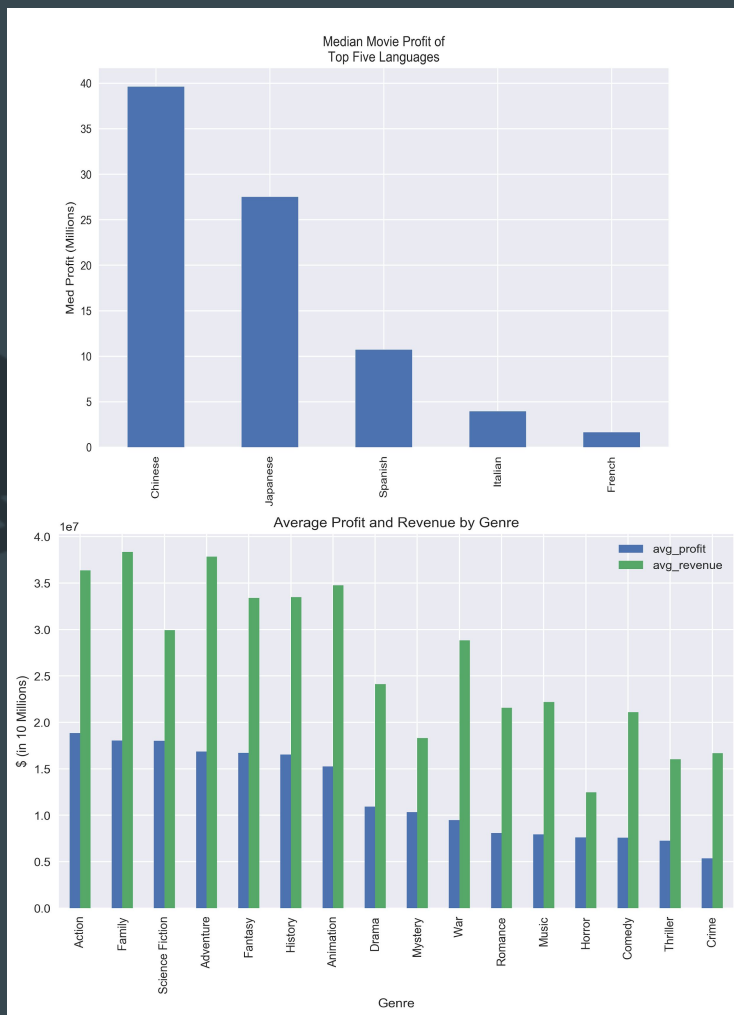
What languages and genres should you produce movies in?

Hypothesis

China's economic boom should be reflected in Chinese movie profits.

Growth of the US Spanish-speaking population should be noticeable in Spanish movie popularity.

With the world experiencing a tech boom and so much interest and conspiracies around tech and AI, there may be an increased interest in the Sci-Fi Genre.



The Process

Data Collection:

TMDb (The Movie Database) API
Top Rated movies and Movie Details.

IMDb (Internet Movie Database)
additional details through webscraping.

Data Analysis and Visualization:

Analyzed films by language and genre, grouped by decade.

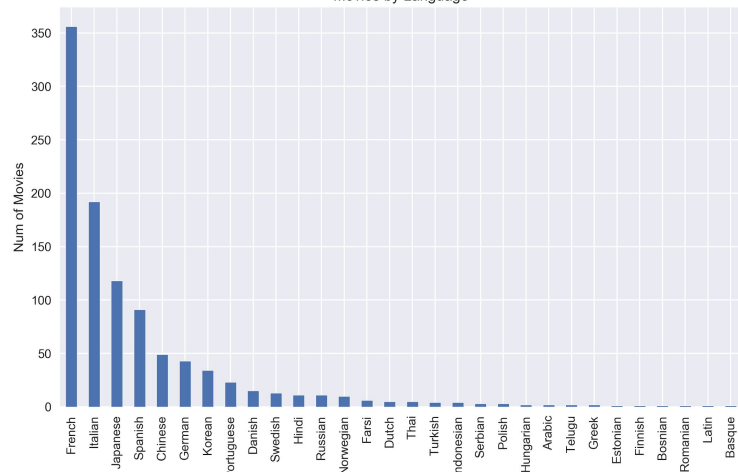
Visualizations with Matplotlib to study trends.

Data Cleaning:

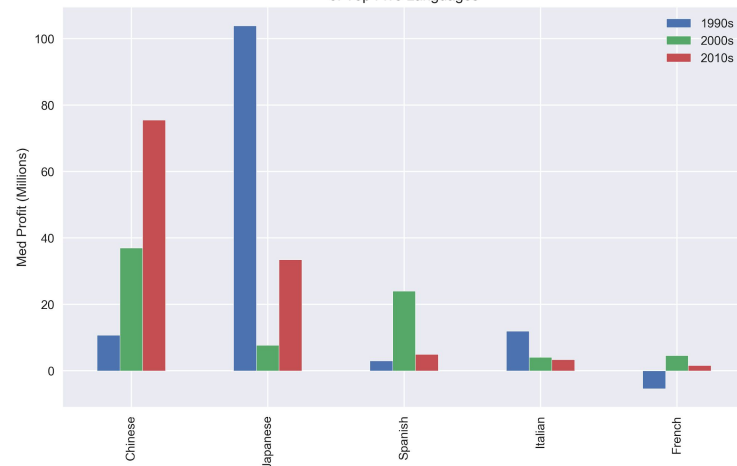
Merged all three datasets into Pandas dataframe (1000+ titles total).

Dropped all movies produced before 1990 and all English-language movies.

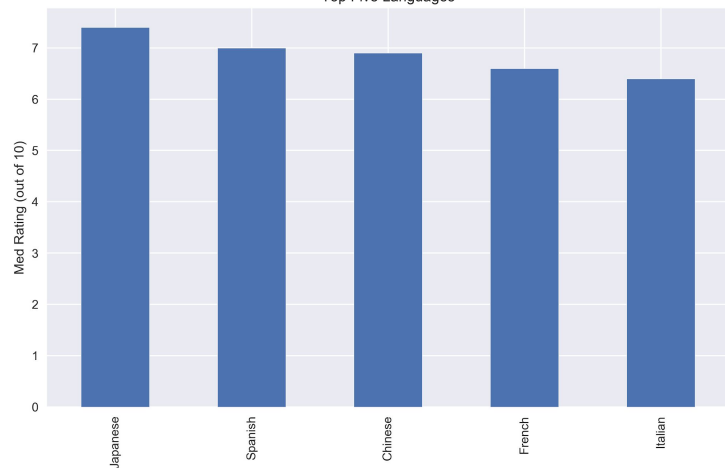
Number of Popular non-English Movies by Language



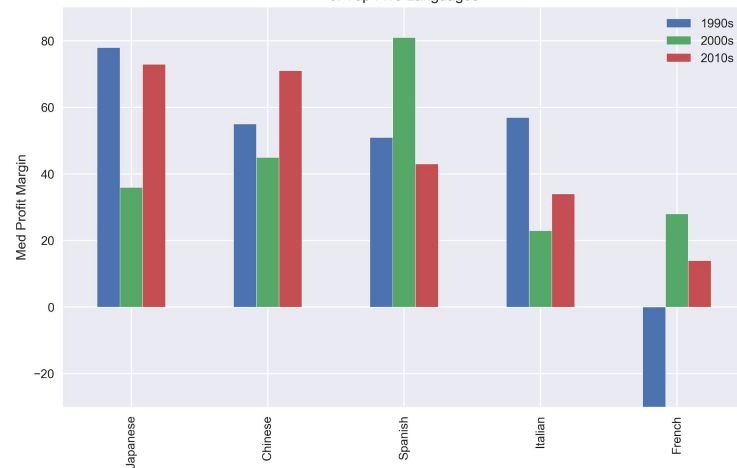
Median Profit per Decade of Top Five Languages



Median Movie Rating of Top Five Languages



Median Profit Margin per Decade of Top Five Languages



Initial Takeaways

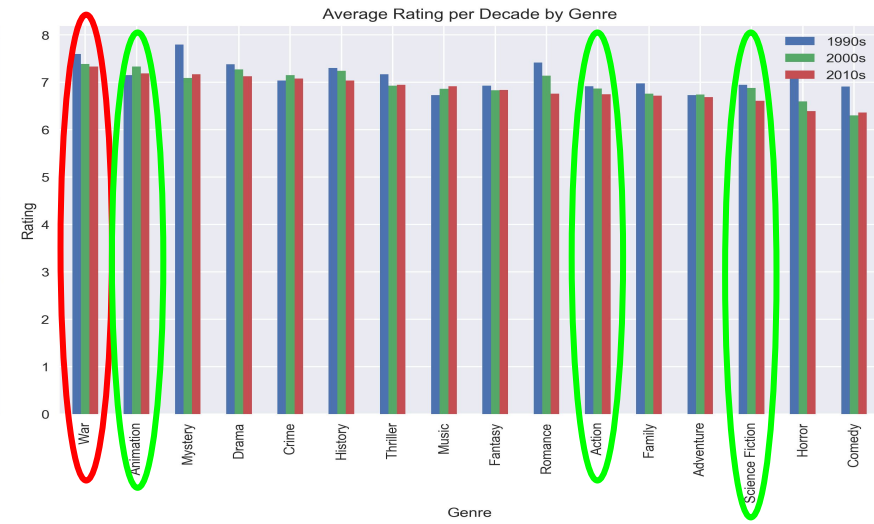
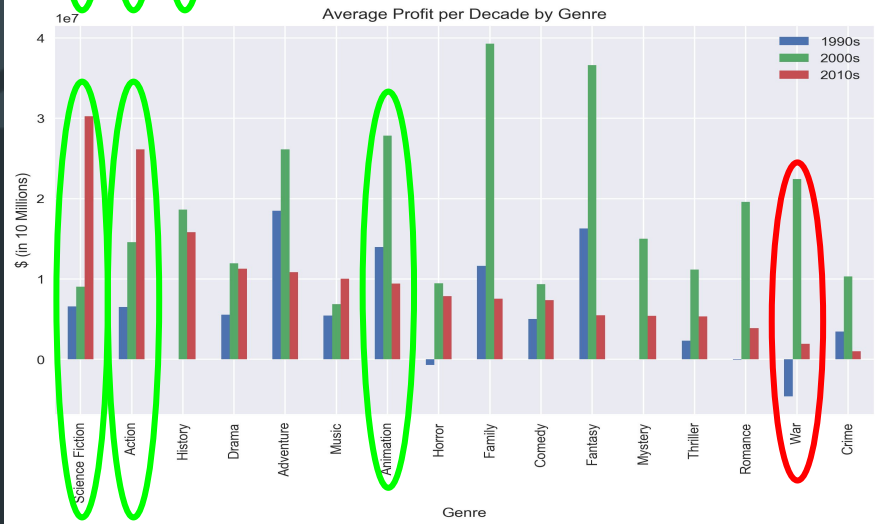
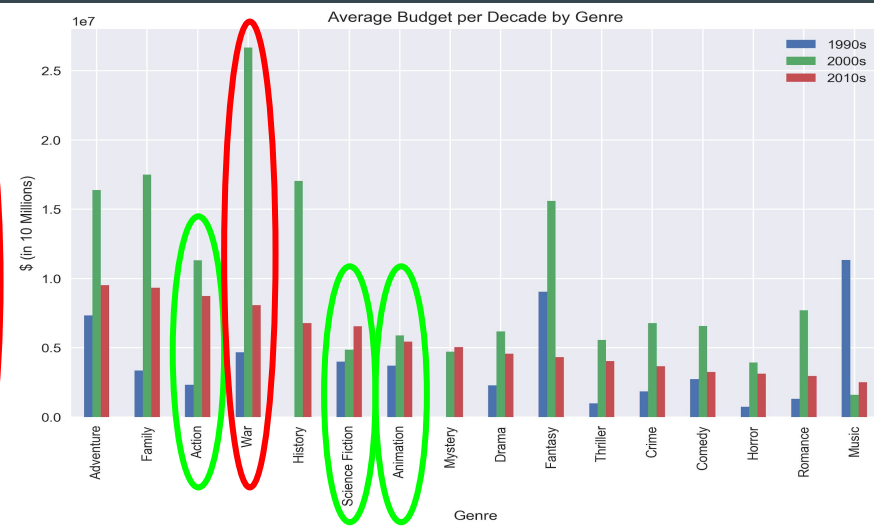
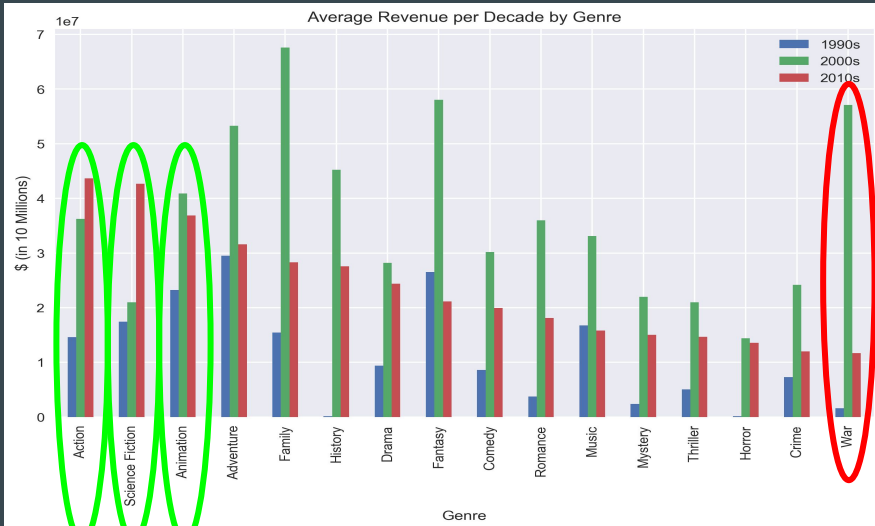
Chinese and Japanese movies were top earners over past 10 years.

Chinese still seem to be trending upward.

Success of Spanish films grew greatly throughout 2000s.

French movies lost money on average during the 1990s.*

* Further investigation needed.



Genre Takeaways

War movies have high ratings but have high budgets with low revenue and profits.

Sci-Fi and Action movies are on an upward trend in profit and revenue over the last 30 years.*

Sci-Fi and Action movies have low ratings relative to other genres.*

Animated movies have high revenue and ratings along with high profits.

* This could mean there is high interest in Sci-Fi and Action movies but a lack of quality movies.

Conclusion

Chinese and Japanese movies are among the highest rated and most profitable of non-English movies.

Sci-Fi and Action genres have the highest revenue and profits and have been trending upward over the last 30 years.

Further Analysis

Analyze genre trends for common genre combinations.

Comparative analysis with English-language movies.

Inclusion of geographic regions.

Inclusion of foreign websites & databases.

Inclusion of streaming services.

https://github.com/EricB10/movie_eda