## Calculating the Outliers

## **Equal Experts Data Engineer Challenge**

## Calculation

A week is classified as an outlier when the total votes for the week deviate from the average votes per week for the complete dataset by more than 20%. For the avoidance of doubt, *please use the following formula*:

Say the mean votes is given by  $\bar{x}$  and this specific week's votes is given by  $x_i$ . We want to know when  $x_i$  differs from  $\bar{x}$  by more than 20%. When this is true, then the ratio  $\frac{x_i}{\bar{x}}$  must be further from 1 by more than 0.2, i.e.:

$$\left|1 - \frac{x_i}{\bar{x}}\right| > 0.2$$

We want this outlier calculation's output to be stored in the view called outlier\_weeks. The data should be sorted in the view by year and week number, with the earliest week first.

## **Test Data**

Given the following test data:

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You should have the following in your outlier\_weeks view:

Year	WeekNumber	VoteCount
2022	0	1
2022	1	3
2022	2	3
2022	5	1
2022	6	1
2022	8	1

Note that we strongly encourage you to use this data as a test case to ensure that you have the correct calculation!