Nobel_Prize_Analysis

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1 Setup and Context

1.0.1 Introduction

On November 27, 1895, Alfred Nobel signed his last will in Paris. When it was opened after his death, the will caused a lot of controversy, as Nobel had left much of his wealth for the establishment of a prize.

Alfred Nobel dictates that his entire remaining estate should be used to endow "prizes to those who, during the preceding year, have conferred the greatest benefit to humankind".

Every year the Nobel Prize is given to scientists and scholars in the categories chemistry, literature, physics, physiology or medicine, economics, and peace.

Let's see what patterns we can find in the data of the past Nobel laureates. What can we learn about the Nobel prize and our world more generally?

1.0.2 Import Statements

```
[1]: import warnings
warnings.simplefilter(action='ignore', category=FutureWarning)

import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import plotly.express as px
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

1.0.3 Notebook Presentation

```
[2]: pd.options.display.float_format = '{:,.2f}'.format
```

1.0.4 Read the Data

```
[3]: df_data = pd.read_csv('nobel_prize_data.csv')
```

Caveats: The exact birth dates for Michael Houghton, Venkatraman Ramakrishnan, and Nadia Murad are unknown. I've substituted them with mid-year estimate of July 2nd.

2 Data Exploration & Cleaning

Challenge: Preliminary data exploration. * What is the shape of df_data? How many rows and columns? * What are the column names? * In which year was the Nobel prize first awarded? * Which year is the latest year included in the dataset?

```
[4]:
     df_data.shape
[4]: (962, 16)
     df data.head()
[5]:
        year
                 category
                                                                        prize
        1901
                                         The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 1901
                Chemistry
     1
        1901
              Literature
                                        The Nobel Prize in Literature 1901
       1901
                 Medicine
                           The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 1901
        1901
                                                 The Nobel Peace Prize 1901
                    Peace
        1901
                                                 The Nobel Peace Prize 1901
                    Peace
                                                  motivation prize_share \
     0
        "in recognition of the extraordinary services ...
                                                                    1/1
        "in special recognition of his poetic composit...
                                                                    1/1
     1
        "for his work on serum therapy, especially its...
                                                                    1/1
     3
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     4
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       laureate_type
                                            full_name
                                                       birth_date
                                                                            birth_city
     0
          Individual
                       Jacobus Henricus van 't Hoff
                                                        1852-08-30
                                                                             Rotterdam
     1
          Individual
                                     Sully Prudhomme
                                                        1839-03-16
                                                                                 Paris
     2
          Individual
                              Emil Adolf von Behring
                                                        1854-03-15
                                                                    Hansdorf (Lawice)
     3
          Individual
                                      Frédéric Passy
                                                        1822-05-20
                                                                                 Paris
     4
          Individual
                                   Jean Henry Dunant
                                                        1828-05-08
                                                                                Geneva
           birth_country_birth_country_current
                                                    sex
                                                           organization_name
     0
             Netherlands
                                     Netherlands
                                                   Male
                                                           Berlin University
     1
                   France
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                                                   Male
     2
        Prussia (Poland)
                                           Poland Male
                                                         Marburg University
     3
                   France
                                           France
                                                   Male
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     4
             Switzerland
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     df_data.tail()
```

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[6]:
                                                                      prize
          year
                category
                           The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 2020
     957
          2020
                Medicine
     958
         2020
                   Peace
                                                The Nobel Peace Prize 2020
     959
         2020
                 Physics
                                           The Nobel Prize in Physics 2020
         2020
                 Physics
                                           The Nobel Prize in Physics 2020
     960
     961
          2020
                 Physics
                                           The Nobel Prize in Physics 2020
                                                   motivation prize_share
     957
                    "for the discovery of Hepatitis C virus"
                                                                       1/3
     958
          "for its efforts to combat hunger, for its con...
                                                                     1/1
          "for the discovery of a supermassive compact o...
     959
                                                                     1/4
          "for the discovery of a supermassive compact o...
                                                                     1/4
     960
          "for the discovery that black hole formation i...
                                                                     1/2
     961
         laureate_type
                                           full_name
                                                      birth_date
     957
            Individual
                                   Michael Houghton
                                                      1949-07-02
     958
         Organization
                         World Food Programme (WFP)
                                                              NaN
     959
            Individual
                                         Andrea Ghez
                                                      1965-06-16
     960
            Individual
                                    Reinhard Genzel
                                                      1952-03-24
     961
            Individual
                                       Roger Penrose
                                                      1931-08-08
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                                                United Kingdom
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                       New York, NY
                                     United States of America
     960
          Bad Homburg vor der Höhe
                                                        Germany
     961
                         Colchester
                                                United Kingdom
             birth_country_current
                                         sex
                                                     organization_name
     957
                     United Kingdom
                                       Male
                                                 University of Alberta
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     959
          United States of America
                                     Female
                                              University of California
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                            Germany
                                       Male
                                              University of California
     961
                     United Kingdom
                                       Male
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                                                        USA
     960
           Los Angeles, CA
                             United States of America
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                     Oxford
                                       United Kingdom
                                                        GBR
```

Challange: * Are there any duplicate values in the dataset? * Are there NaN values in the dataset? * Which columns tend to have NaN values? * How many NaN values are there per column? * Why do these columns have NaN values?

2.0.1 Check for Duplicates

```
[7]: print(f'Any duplicates? {df_data.duplicated().values.any()}')
     Any duplicates? False
     2.0.2 Check for NaN Values
 [8]: print(f'Any NaN values among the data? {df_data.isna().values.any()}')
     Any NaN values among the data? True
 [9]: df_data.isna().sum()
                                 0
 [9]: year
      category
                                 0
      prize
                                 0
                                88
     motivation
      prize_share
                                 0
                                 0
      laureate_type
      full_name
                                 0
      birth_date
                                28
                                31
      birth_city
      birth_country
                                28
      birth_country_current
                                28
                                28
      organization_name
                               255
      organization_city
                               255
      organization_country
                               254
      IS0
                                28
      dtype: int64
     Why are there NaN values for birth dates?
[10]: # NaN values for birth date are all organisations
      col_subset = ['year','category', 'laureate_type',
                    'birth_date', 'full_name', 'organization_name']
      df_data.loc[df_data.birth_date.isna()][col_subset]
[10]:
           year category laureate_type birth_date
      24
           1904
                   Peace Organization
                                               NaN
                   Peace Organization
                                               NaN
      60
           1910
      89
           1917
                   Peace Organization
                                               NaN
                   Peace Organization
      200 1938
                                              NaN
      215 1944
                   Peace Organization
                                              NaN
                   Peace Organization
      237 1947
                                              NaN
      238 1947
                   Peace Organization
                                              NaN
      283 1954
                   Peace Organization
                                              NaN
      348 1963
                   Peace Organization
                                              NaN
```

349	1963	Peace	Organization	NaN
366	1965	Peace	Organization	NaN
399	1969	Peace	Organization	NaN
479	1977	Peace	Organization	NaN
523	1981	Peace	Organization	NaN
558	1985	Peace	Organization	NaN
588	1988	Peace	Organization	NaN
659	1995	Peace	Organization	NaN
682	1997	Peace	Organization	NaN
703	1999	Peace	Organization	NaN
730	2001	Peace	Organization	NaN
778	2005	Peace	Organization	NaN
788	2006	Peace	Organization	NaN
801	2007	Peace	Organization	NaN
860	2012	Peace	Organization	NaN
873	2013	Peace	Organization	NaN
897	2015	Peace	Organization	NaN
919	2017	Peace	Organization	NaN
958	2020	Peace	${\tt Organization}$	NaN

full_name organization_name

24	Institut de droit international (Institute of	NaN
60	Bureau international permanent de la Paix (Per	NaN
89	Comité international de la Croix Rouge (Intern	NaN
200	Office international Nansen pour les Réfugiés	NaN
215	Comité international de la Croix Rouge (Intern	NaN
237	American Friends Service Committee (The Quakers)	NaN
238	Friends Service Council (The Quakers)	NaN
283	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner	NaN
348	Comité international de la Croix Rouge (Intern	NaN
349	Ligue des Sociétés de la Croix-Rouge (League o	NaN
366	United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)	NaN
399	International Labour Organization (I.L.O.)	NaN
479	Amnesty International	NaN
523	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner	NaN
558	International Physicians for the Prevention of	NaN
588	United Nations Peacekeeping Forces	NaN
659	Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs	NaN
682	International Campaign to Ban Landmines (ICBL)	NaN
703	Médecins Sans Frontières	NaN
730	United Nations (U.N.)	NaN
778	International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)	NaN
788	Grameen Bank	NaN
801	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)	NaN
860	European Union (EU)	NaN
873	Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical W	NaN
897	National Dialogue Quartet	NaN

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919 International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weap... NaN
958 World Food Programme (WFP) NaN
```

That makes sense. We also see that since the organisation's name is in the full_name column, the organisation name column contains NaN.

In addition, when we look at for rows where the organization_name column has no value, we also see that many prizes went to people who were not affiliated with a university or research institute. This includes many of the Literature and Peace prize winners.

```
[11]: | # NaN values for organisation_name
     col_subset = ['year','category', 'laureate_type','full_name',_
      df_data.loc[df_data.organization_name.isna()][col_subset]
[11]:
          year
                  category laureate_type
                                                                 full_name
          1901
               Literature
                              Individual
                                                            Sully Prudhomme
     1
     3
          1901
                     Peace
                              Individual
                                                            Frédéric Passy
```

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4	1901	Peace	Individual	Jean Henry Dunant
7	1902	Literature	Individual	Christian Matthias Theodor Mommsen
9	1902	Peace	Individual	Charles Albert Gobat
		•••	•••	
932	2018	Peace	Individual	Nadia Murad
942	2019	Literature	Individual	Peter Handke
946	2019	Peace	Individual	Abiy Ahmed Ali
954	2020	Literature	Individual	Louise Glück
958	2020	Peace	Organization	World Food Programme (WFP)

	organization_name
1	NaN
3	NaN
4	NaN
7	NaN
9	NaN

 932	 NaN
932 942	
	NaN
942	NaN NaN

[255 rows x 5 columns]

Some prizes are given to Organisations rather than individuals!

2.0.3 Type Conversions

Challenge: * Convert the birth_date column to Pandas Datetime objects * Add a Column called share_pct which has the laureates' share as a percentage in the form of a floating-point number.

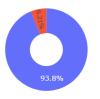
```
Convert Year and Birth Date to Datetime
[12]: df_data.birth_date = pd.to_datetime(df_data.birth_date)
     Add a Column with the Prize Share as a Percentage
[13]: separated_values = df_data.prize_share.str.split('/', expand=True)
      numerator = pd.to numeric(separated values[0])
      denomenator = pd.to_numeric(separated_values[1])
      df_data['share_pct'] = numerator / denomenator
[14]: df_data.info()
     <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
     RangeIndex: 962 entries, 0 to 961
     Data columns (total 17 columns):
          Column
                                 Non-Null Count Dtype
          _____
      0
          year
                                 962 non-null
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      1
          category
                                 962 non-null
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      2
          prize
                                 962 non-null
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      3
          motivation
                                 874 non-null
                                                 object
      4
          prize share
                                 962 non-null
                                                  object
      5
          laureate_type
                                 962 non-null
                                                  object
      6
          full_name
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      7
          birth_date
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         birth_country_current 934 non-null
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          sex
      12
          organization_name
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          organization_city
                                 707 non-null
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          organization country
                                                  object
      14
                                 708 non-null
      15
          ISO
                                 934 non-null
                                                  object
                                 962 non-null
                                                  float64
      16 share_pct
     dtypes: datetime64[ns](1), float64(1), int64(1), object(14)
     memory usage: 127.9+ KB
```

3 Plotly Donut Chart: Percentage of Male vs. Female Laureates

Challenge: Create a donut chart using plotly which shows how many prizes went to men compared to how many prizes went to women. What percentage of all the prizes went to women?

```
fig.update_traces(textposition='inside', textfont_size=15, textinfo='percent')
fig.show()
```

Percentage of Male vs. Female Winners



Male Female

4 Who were the first 3 Women to Win the Nobel Prize?

Challenge: * What are the names of the first 3 female Nobel laureates? * What did the win the prize for? * What do you see in their birth_country? Were they part of an organisation?

```
[16]: df_data[df_data.sex == 'Female'].sort_values('year', ascending=True)[:3]
[16]:
                  category
                                                           prize
          year
                   Physics
                                The Nobel Prize in Physics 1903
      18
          1903
      29
          1905
                     Peace
                                     The Nobel Peace Prize 1905
                             The Nobel Prize in Literature 1909
      51
          1909
                Literature
                                                   motivation prize_share
          "in recognition of the extraordinary services ...
                                                                    1/4
      18
      29
                                                          NaN
                                                                       1/1
      51
          "in appreciation of the lofty idealism, vivid ...
                                                                    1/1
         laureate_type
                                                                  full name \
                                               Marie Curie, née Sklodowska
      18
            Individual
      29
                        Baroness Bertha Sophie Felicita von Suttner, n...
            Individual
      51
            Individual
                                             Selma Ottilia Lovisa Lagerlöf
         birth_date birth_city
                                                     birth_country \
      18 1867-11-07
                        Warsaw
                                          Russian Empire (Poland)
      29 1843-06-09
                                 Austrian Empire (Czech Republic)
                        Prague
      51 1858-11-20
                                                            Sweden
                      Mårbacka
         birth_country_current
                                    sex organization_name organization_city \
                        Poland Female
      18
                                                       NaN
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```

29	Czech Republic	Fem	ale	NaN	NaN
51	Sweden	Fem	ale	NaN	NaN
	organization_country	ISO	share_pct		
18	NaN	POL	0.25		
29	NaN	CZE	1.00		
51	NaN	SWE	1.00		

5 Find the Repeat Winners

Challenge: Did some people get a Nobel Prize more than once? If so, who were they?

There are 6 winners who weere awarded the prize more than once.

```
[18]: col_subset = ['year', 'category', 'laureate_type', 'full_name']
multiple_winners[col_subset]
```

```
[18]:
                  category laureate_type \
           year
                   Physics
      18
           1903
                               Individual
      62
           1911
                 Chemistry
                               Individual
      89
           1917
                     Peace
                            Organization
      215
          1944
                     Peace
                            Organization
      278
          1954
                               Individual
                 Chemistry
          1954
      283
                     Peace Organization
      297
          1956
                   Physics
                               Individual
      306 1958
                 Chemistry
                               Individual
      340
          1962
                     Peace
                               Individual
      348
          1963
                     Peace
                            Organization
      424
           1972
                   Physics
                               Individual
      505
           1980
                 Chemistry
                               Individual
      523
           1981
                     Peace
                            Organization
                                                     full_name
      18
                                  Marie Curie, née Sklodowska
      62
                                  Marie Curie, née Sklodowska
      89
           Comité international de la Croix Rouge (Intern...
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Marie Curie, née Sklodowska
Comité international de la Croix Rouge (Intern...
Linus Carl Pauling
Marie Curie, née Sklodowska
Linus Carl Pauling
Linus Carl Pauling
Linus Carl Pauling
Marie Curie, née Sklodowska
Linus Carl Pauling

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348 Comité international de la Croix Rouge (Intern...

424 John Bardeen

505 Frederick Sanger

523 Office of the United Nations High Commissioner...
```

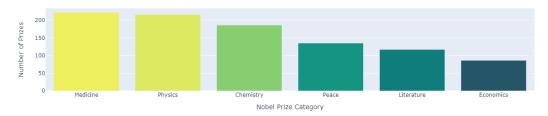
6 Number of Prizes per Category

Challenge: * In how many categories are prizes awarded? * Create a plotly bar chart with the number of prizes awarded by category. * Which category has the most number of prizes awarded? * Which category has the fewest number of prizes awarded?

```
[19]: # Number of different categories
df_data.category.nunique()
```

[19]: 6

Number of Prizes Awarded per Category



Challenge: * When was the first prize in the field of Economics awarded? * Who did the prize go to?

```
[21]: df_data[df_data.category == 'Economics'].sort_values('year')[:3]
```

```
[21]:
           year
                  category
                                                                          prize \
      393
          1969
                 Economics
                            The Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Scienc...
      394
          1969
                            The Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Scienc...
                 Economics
      402 1970 Economics
                            The Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Scienc...
                                                   motivation prize share \
           "for having developed and applied dynamic mode...
           "for having developed and applied dynamic mode...
      394
                                                                     1/2
          "for the scientific work through which he has ...
      402
                                                                     1/1
          laureate_type
                                 full_name birth_date birth_city
      393
             Individual
                              Jan Tinbergen 1903-04-12
                                                        the Hague
      394
                             Ragnar Frisch 1895-03-03
             Individual
                                                             Oslo
      402
                         Paul A. Samuelson 1915-05-15
             Individual
                                                         Gary, IN
                      birth_country
                                         birth_country_current
      393
                        Netherlands
                                                   Netherlands
                                                                Male
      394
                                                                Male
                             Norway
                                                        Norway
      402 United States of America United States of America Male
                                      organization_name organization_city \
      393
                   The Netherlands School of Economics
                                                                Rotterdam
      394
                                     University of Oslo
                                                                      Oslo
      402
          Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)
                                                            Cambridge, MA
               organization_country
                                     ISO
                                           share_pct
      393
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      402 United States of America
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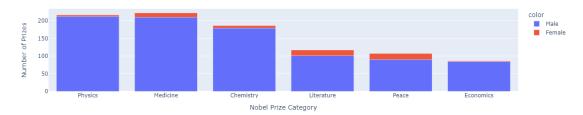
7 Male and Female Winners by Category

Challenge: Create a plotly bar chart that shows the split between men and women by category.

```
[22]:
             category
                           sex
                               prize
              Physics
      11
                          Male
                                  212
      7
             Medicine
                          Male
                                   210
            Chemistry
                          Male
                                  179
      1
      5
          Literature
                          Male
                                   101
      9
                Peace
                          Male
                                   90
      3
            Economics
                          Male
                                    84
      8
                Peace
                      Female
                                   17
```

```
4
    Literature Female
                            16
      Medicine Female
6
                            12
0
     Chemistry
                Female
                             7
10
       Physics
                Female
                             4
2
     Economics
                Female
                             2
```

Number of Prizes Awarded per Category split by Men and Women



We see that overall the imbalance is pretty large with physics, economics, and chemistry. Women are somewhat more represented in categories of Medicine, Literature and Peace.

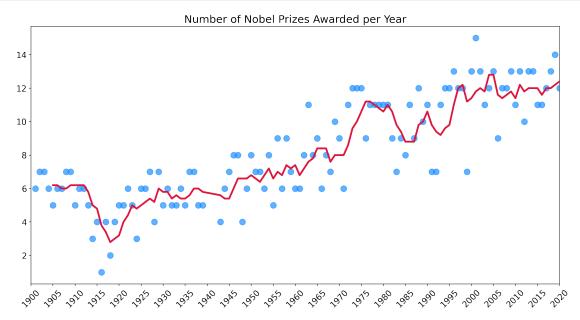
8 Number of Prizes Awarded Over Time

Challenge: Are more prizes awarded recently than when the prize was first created? * Count the number of prizes awarded every year. * Create a 5 year rolling average of the number of prizes. * Show a tick mark on the x-axis for every 5 years from 1900 to 2020. * Looking at the chart, did the first and second world wars have an impact on the number of prizes being given out? * What could be the reason for the trend in the chart?

```
[24]: prize_per_year = df_data.groupby(by='year').count().prize

[25]: moving_average = prize_per_year.rolling(window=5).mean()

[26]: plt.figure(figsize=(16,8), dpi=200)
    plt.title('Number of Nobel Prizes Awarded per Year', fontsize=18)
    plt.yticks(fontsize=14)
    plt.xticks(ticks=np.arange(1900, 2021, step=5),
```



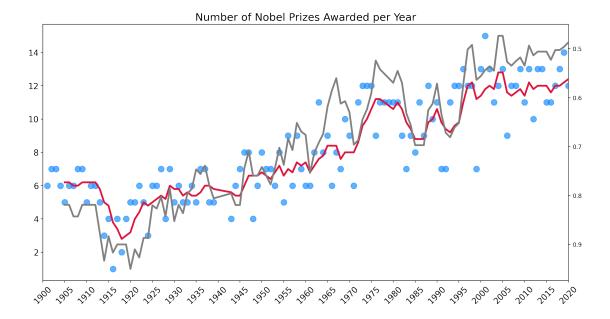
9 Are More Prizes Shared Than Before?

Challenge: Investigate if more prizes are shared than before.

- Calculate the average prize share of the winners on a year by year basis.
- Calculate the 5 year rolling average of the percentage share.
- Copy-paste the cell from the chart created above.
- Modify the code to add a secondary axis to our Matplotlib chart.

• Plot the rolling average of the prize share on this chart.

```
[27]: yearly_avg_share = df_data.groupby(by='year').agg({'share_pct': pd.Series.mean})
      share_moving_average = yearly_avg_share.rolling(window=5).mean()
[28]: plt.figure(figsize=(16,8), dpi=200)
      plt.title('Number of Nobel Prizes Awarded per Year', fontsize=18)
      plt.yticks(fontsize=14)
      plt.xticks(ticks=np.arange(1900, 2021, step=5),
                 fontsize=14,
                 rotation=45)
      ax1 = plt.gca()
      ax2 = ax1.twinx()
      ax1.set_xlim(1900, 2020)
      # Can invert axis
      ax2.invert_yaxis()
      ax1.scatter(x=prize_per_year.index,
                 y=prize_per_year.values,
                 c='dodgerblue',
                 alpha=0.7,
                 s=100,)
      ax1.plot(prize_per_year.index,
              moving_average.values,
              c='crimson',
              linewidth=3,)
      ax2.plot(prize_per_year.index,
              share_moving_average.values,
              c='grey',
              linewidth=3,)
      plt.show()
```



What does the graph show? There's a clear upward trend in the number of prizes awarded, as more and more prizes are shared. In addition, more prizes were awarded from 1969 onwards, due to the addition of the "Economy" category. We also note that very few prizes were awarded during the First and Second World Wars.

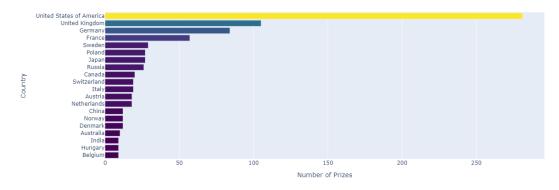
10 The Countries with the Most Nobel Prizes

Challenge: * Create a Pandas DataFrame called top20_countries that has the two columns. The prize column should contain the total number of prizes won. * Is it best to use birth_country, birth_country_current or organization_country? * What are some potential problems when using birth_country or any of the others? Which column is the least problematic?

```
[29]:
              birth_country_current
                                        prize
      7
                              Belgium
                                            9
                              Hungary
                                            9
      31
      33
                                India
                                            9
                           Australia
      2
                                           10
      20
                              Denmark
                                           12
      54
                                           12
                              Norway
```

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13
                         China
                                    12
51
                  Netherlands
                                    18
3
                       Austria
                                    18
                         Italy
39
                                    19
68
                  Switzerland
                                    19
                        Canada
                                    20
11
61
                        Russia
                                    26
40
                         Japan
                                    27
                        Poland
57
                                    27
67
                        Sweden
                                    29
25
                        France
                                    57
26
                       Germany
                                    84
73
               United Kingdom
                                   105
   United States of America
74
                                   281
```

Top 20 Countries by Number of Prizes

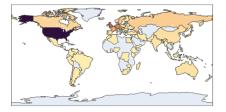


The United States has a massive number of prizes by this measure. The UK and Germany are in second and third place respectively.

11 Use a Choropleth Map to Show the Number of Prizes Won by Country

```
[31]:
             birth_country_current
                                        prize
                                    IS0
      74
         United States of America
                                    USA
                                           281
      73
                    United Kingdom
                                    GBR
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                           Germany
                                            84
      26
                                    DEU
      25
                            France FRA
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      67
                            Sweden SWE
                                            29
      . .
      32
                           Iceland ISL
      47
                        Madagascar MDG
      34
                         Indonesia IDN
      36
                              Iraq IRQ
      78
                          Zimbabwe ZWE
                                             1
```

[79 rows x 3 columns]



12 In Which Categories are the Different Countries Winning Prizes?

Challenge: Trying to divide the bar chart created above to show the categories that represent the total number of awards: Here are the questions I need to answer: * In which category are Germany and Japan the weakest compared to the United States? * In which category does Germany have more prizes than the UK? * In which categories does France have more prizes than Germany? * Which category makes up most of Australia's nobel prizes? * Which category makes up half of the prizes in the Netherlands? * Does the United States have more prizes in Economics than all of France? What about in Physics or Medicine?

```
[33]:
              birth_country_current
                                        category
                                                  prize
           United States of America
                                        Medicine
                                                     78
      204
      206
           United States of America
                                         Physics
                                                     70
           United States of America
                                      Chemistry
      201
                                                     55
           United States of America
                                      Economics
                                                     49
      198
                      United Kingdom
                                        Medicine
                                                     28
      . .
      97
                                Iraq
                                           Peace
                                                       1
      99
                             Ireland
                                        Medicine
                                                       1
      100
                             Ireland
                                         Physics
                                                       1
      102
                              Israel
                                       Economics
                                                       1
      210
                            Zimbabwe
                                           Peace
                                                       1
```

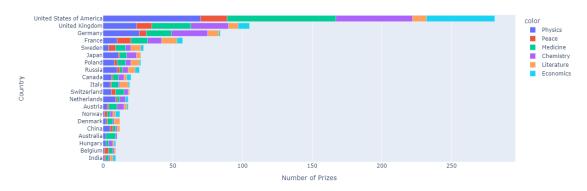
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```
[34]:
               birth_country_current
                                         category
                                                    cat_prize
                                                                total_prize
      109
                                India
                                          Physics
                                                             1
      108
                                India
                                                             1
                                                                           9
                                            Peace
                                                             3
      88
                              Belgium
                                             Peace
                                                                           9
                                                             3
                                                                           9
      89
                              Belgium
                                         Medicine
      90
                              Belgium
                                        Chemistry
                                                             1
                                                                           9
      . .
           United States of America
                                                                         281
      4
                                             Peace
                                                            19
            United States of America
                                                            49
                                                                         281
```

```
    United States of America Chemistry
    United States of America Physics
    United States of America Medicine
    281
    United States of America Medicine
```

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Top 20 Countries by Number of Prizes and Category

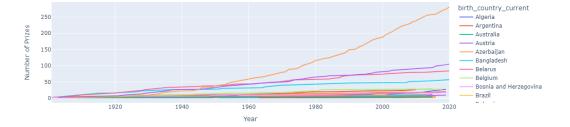


Splitting the country bar chart by category allows us to get a very granular look at the data and answer a whole bunch of questions. For example, we see is that the US has won an incredible proportion of the prizes in the field of Economics. In comparison, Japan and Germany have won very few or no economics prize at all. Also, the US has more prizes in physics or medicine alone than all of France's prizes combined. On the chart, we also see that Germany won more prizes in physics than the UK and that France has won more prizes in peace and literature than Germany, even though Germany has been awarded a higher total number of prizes than France.

12.0.1 Number of Prizes Won by Each Country Over Time

- When did the United States eclipse every other country in terms of the number of prizes won?
- Which country or countries were leading previously?
- Calculate the cumulative number of prizes won by each country in every year.
- Create a plotly line chart where each country is a coloured line.

```
[36]: prize_by_year = df_data.groupby(by=['birth_country_current', 'year'],_
       ⇔as_index=False).count()
      prize_by_year = prize_by_year.sort_values('year')[['year',_
       ⇔'birth_country_current', 'prize']]
      prize_by_year
[36]:
                    birth_country_current prize
           year
      118 1901
                                   France
                                                2
      346 1901
                                   Poland
                                                1
      159 1901
                                  Germany
                                                1
      312 1901
                              Netherlands
      440 1901
                              Switzerland
                                                1
      . .
      31
           2019
                                  Austria
                                                1
      221 2020
                                  Germany
                                                1
      622 2020
                                                7
                 United States of America
      533 2020
                           United Kingdom
                                                2
      158 2020
                                   France
                                                1
      [627 rows x 3 columns]
[37]: cumulative_prizes = prize_by_year.groupby(by=['birth_country_current',
                                                     'year']).sum().groupby(level=[0]).
       →cumsum()
      cumulative_prizes.reset_index(inplace=True)
[38]: | 1_chart = px.line(cumulative_prizes,
                        x='year',
                        y='prize',
                        color='birth_country_current',
                        hover_name='birth_country_current')
      l_chart.update_layout(xaxis_title='Year',
                            yaxis_title='Number of Prizes')
      1_chart.show()
```



What we see is that the United States really started to take off after the Second World War which decimated Europe. Prior to that, the Nobel prize was pretty much a European affair. Very few laureates were chosen from other parts of the world. This has changed dramatically in the last 40 years or so. There are many more countries represented today than in the early days. Interestingly we also see that the UK and Germany traded places in the 70s and 90s on the total number of prizes won. Sweden being 5th place pretty consistently over many decades is quite interesting too. Perhaps this reflects a little bit of home bias?

All this analysis of different countries makes me curious about where the actual research is happening. Where are the cities and organisations located where people actually make discoveries?

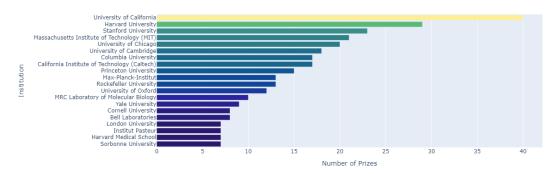
13 What are the Top Research Organisations?

Challenge: Create a bar chart showing the organisations affiliated with the Nobel laureates.

- Which organisations make up the top 20?
- How many Nobel prize winners are affiliated with the University of Chicago and Harvard University?

```
[39]: top20_orgs = df_data.organization_name.value_counts()[:20] top20_orgs.sort_values(ascending=True, inplace=True)
```

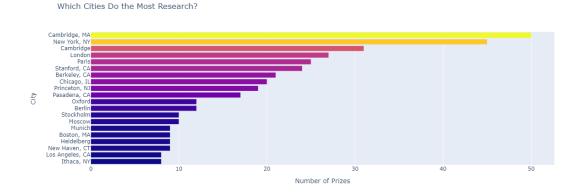
Top 20 Research Institutions by Number of Prizes



14 Which Cities Make the Most Discoveries?

Where do major discoveries take place?

Challenge: * Create another plotly bar chart graphing the top 20 organisation cities of the research institutions associated with a Nobel laureate. * Where is the number one hotspot for discoveries in the world? * Which city in Europe has had the most discoveries?



Where are Nobel Laureates Born? Chart the Laureate Birth Cities

Challenge: * Create a plotly bar chart graphing the top 20 birth cities of Nobel laureates. * What percentage of the United States prizes came from Nobel laureates born in New York? * How many

Nobel laureates were born in London, Paris and Vienna? * Out of the top 5 cities, how many are in the United States?





16 Plotly Sunburst Chart: Combine Country, City, and Organisation

Challenge:

- Create a DataFrame that groups the number of prizes by organisation.
- what do you notice about Germany and France?

country_city_org [43]: organization city organization country United States of America Cambridge, MA 205 280 United States of America Stanford, CA 206 United States of America Cambridge, MA United States of America Chicago, IL 195 United States of America Berkeley, CA 110 Japan Sapporo 111 Japan Tokyo Japan Tokyo 112 113 Japan Tokyo 290 United States of America Yorktown Heights, NY organization_name prize 205 Harvard University 29 280 Stanford University 23 Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) 21 206 209 University of Chicago 20 University of California 195 19 . . 110 Hokkaido University 1 Asahi Kasei Corporation 111 1 112 Kitasato University 1 Tokyo Institute of Technology 113 1 290 IBM Thomas J. Watson Research Center 1 [291 rows x 4 columns] [44]: burst = px.sunburst(country city org, ⇔'organization_name'], values='prize', title='Where do Discoveries Take Place?', height=800)

France is an excellent example of concentration. Virtually all the organizations associated with Nobel Prize winners are based in Paris. By contrast, scientific discoveries are much more dispersed in Germany. The UK, meanwhile, is dominated by Cambridge and London.

burst.update_layout(xaxis_title='Number of Prizes',

burst.show()

yaxis_title='City',

coloraxis showscale=False)

17 Patterns in the Laureate Age at the Time of the Award

How Old Are the Laureates When the Win the Prize?

Challenge: Calculate the age of the laureate in the year of the ceremony and add this as a column called winning_age to the df_data DataFrame.

```
[45]: # Use Datetime object
      birth_years = df_data.birth_date.dt.year
      birth_years
[45]: 0
            1,852.00
            1,839.00
      1
      2
            1,854.00
      3
            1,822.00
            1,828.00
      4
            1,949.00
      957
      958
                 NaN
      959
            1,965.00
      960
            1,952.00
      961
            1,931.00
      Name: birth_date, Length: 962, dtype: float64
[46]: df_data['winning_age'] = df_data.year - birth_years
      df_data.winning_age
[46]: 0
            49.00
      1
            62.00
      2
            47.00
      3
            79.00
      4
            73.00
      957
            71.00
      958
              NaN
      959
            55.00
      960
            68.00
      961
            89.00
      Name: winning_age, Length: 962, dtype: float64
```

17.0.1 Who were the oldest and youngest winners?

Challenge: * What are the names of the youngest and oldest Nobel laureate? * What did they win the prize for? * What is the average age of a winner? * 75% of laureates are younger than what age when they receive the prize? * Use Seaborn to create histogram to visualise the distribution of laureate age at the time of winning.

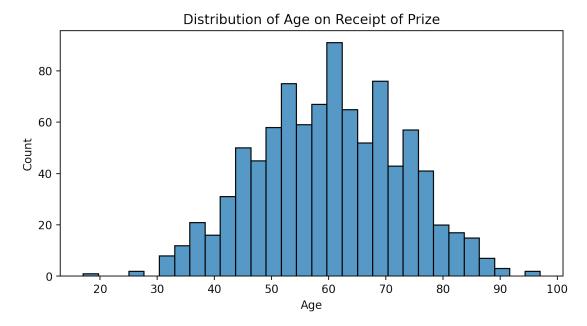
```
[47]: display(df_data.nlargest(n=1, columns='winning_age')) display(df_data.nsmallest(n=1, columns='winning_age'))
```

```
category
                                                  prize \
    year
937 2019 Chemistry The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2019
                                         motivation prize_share laureate_type \
    "for the development of lithium-ion batteries"
                                                                   Individual
937
                                                            1/3
           full_name birth_date birth_city birth_country \
    John Goodenough 1922-07-25
                                      Jena
                                                 Germany
                                  organization_name organization_city \
   birth_country_current
                           sex
937
                  Germany Male University of Texas
                                                             Austin TX
         organization_country ISO
                                    share_pct winning_age
    United States of America DEU
                                         0.33
                                                     97.00
    year category
                                         prize \
    2014
            Peace The Nobel Peace Prize 2014
885
                                            motivation prize share \
    "for their struggle against the suppression of...
                          full_name birth_date birth_city birth_country \
    laureate_type
885
      Individual Malala Yousafzai 1997-07-12
                                                 Mingora
   birth country current
                              sex organization_name organization_city
885
                Pakistan
                         Female
                                                NaN
    organization_country ISO
                               share_pct winning_age
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                     NaN
                         PAK
                                    0.50
                                                17.00
```

17.0.2 Descriptive Statistics for the Laureate Age at Time of Award

- Calculate the descriptive statistics for the age at the time of the award.
- Then visualise the distribution in the form of a histogram using Seaborn's .histplot() function.

```
[48]: df_data.winning_age.describe()
              934.00
[48]: count
      mean
               59.95
               12.62
      std
               17.00
      min
      25%
               51.00
      50%
               60.00
      75%
               69.00
               97.00
      max
      Name: winning_age, dtype: float64
```



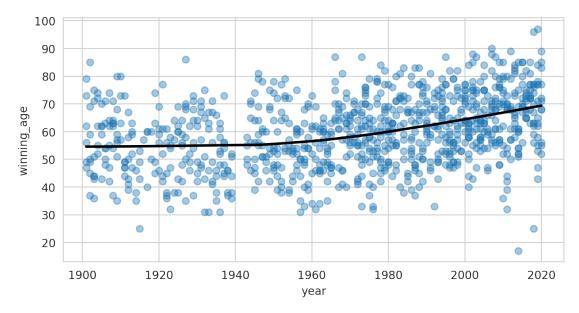
17.0.3 Age at Time of Award throughout History

Are Nobel laureates being nominated later in life than before? Have the ages of laureates at the time of the award increased or decreased over time?

Challenge

- Use Seaborn to create a .regplot with a trendline.
- Set the lowess parameter to True to show a moving average of the linear fit.
- According to the best fit line, how old were Nobel laureates in the years 1900-1940 when they were awarded the prize?
- According to the best fit line, what age would it predict for a Nobel laureate in 2020?

```
line_kws={'color': 'black'})
plt.show()
```

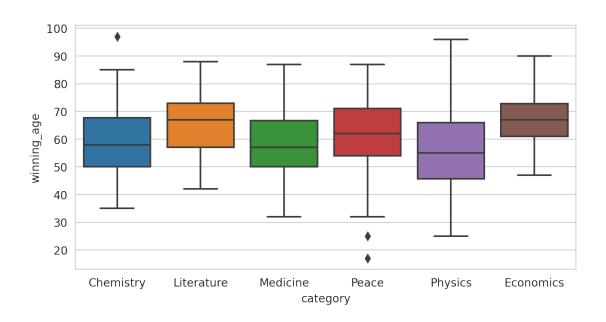


Using the lowess parameter allows us to plot a local linear regression. This means that the line of best fit is still linear, but more like a moving average, giving us a non-linear shape over the whole series. This is very interesting, as it clearly shows that Nobel Prize winners are receiving their awards later and later in life. From around 1900 to 1950, laureates were aged around 55, whereas today, they are closer to 70 when they receive their prize! The chart also shows that the gap has widened over the last ten years. There have been more very young and very old winners. In the 1950s/60s, prizewinners ranged in age from 30 to 80. More recently, this range has widened.

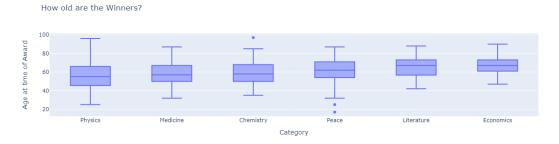
17.0.4 Winning Age Across the Nobel Prize Categories

How does the age of laureates vary by category?

- Use Seaborn's .boxplot() to show how the mean, quartiles, max, and minimum values vary across categories. Which category has the longest "whiskers"?
- In which prize category are the average winners the oldest?
- In which prize category are the average winners the youngest?

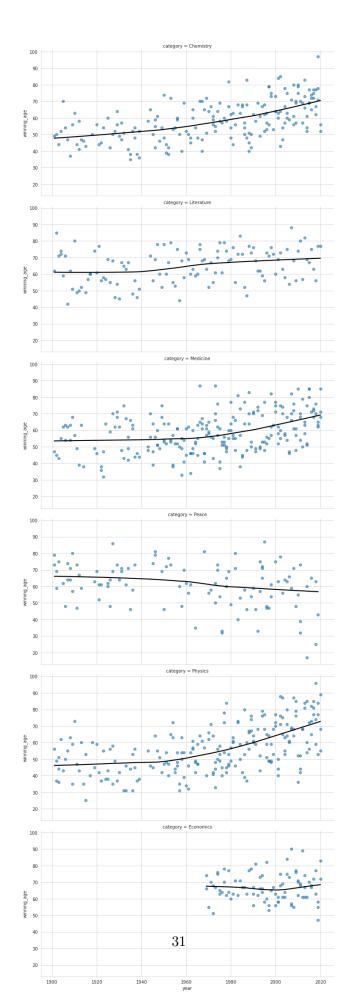


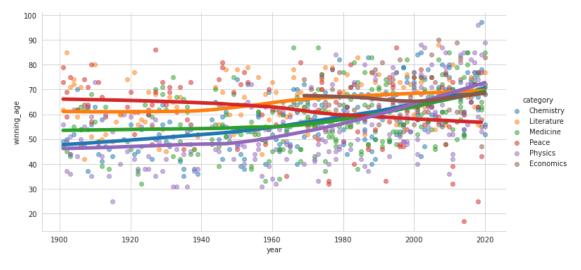




We note that winners in physics, chemistry and medicine have aged over time. The aging trend is strongest in physics. The average age used to be under 50, but is now over 70. Economics, the most recent category, is much more stable by comparison. The Peace Prize shows the opposite

trend: the winners are getting younger and younger! So, our scatterplots showing the best-fitting lines over time and our box plot of all the data can tell very different stories!





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