

Objectives

The objective of this project is to analyze YouTube video data in order to uncover the key drivers of content performance and audience engagement. Specifically, the analysis seeks to:

1. Identify which video categories (e.g., Gaming, Comedy, News) receive the highest engagement in terms of views, likes, and comments.
2. Evaluate whether video duration or resolution influences engagement metrics.
3. Explore whether video popularity can be predicted using metadata features.
4. Assess whether videos with hashtags perform better than those without in terms of views, likes, and engagement rate.
5. Discover which hashtags are most frequently associated with viral videos and how they contribute to content success.

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In [210]: #Importing Libraries  
import numpy as np  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
import pandas as pd  
import seaborn as sns
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In [211]: #applying whitegrid theme  
sns.set(style="whitegrid")
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In [212]: #Loading Dataset  
df=pd.read_csv('Youtube_data.csv')
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In [213]: #Checking total rows & columns  
df.shape
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Out[213]: (17589, 17)
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In [214]: #Viewing all the column names  
df.columns
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Out[214]: Index(['video_id', 'duration', 'bitrate', 'bitrate(video)', 'height', 'width',  
                'frame rate', 'frame rate(est.)', 'codec', 'category', 'url', 'title',  
                'description', 'hashtags', 'views', 'likes', 'comments'],  
               dtype='object')
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In [215]: *#Viewing partial dataset*
df.head(10)

Out[215]:

	video_id	duration	bitrate	bitrate(video)	height	width	frame rate	frame rate(est.)	codec	cat
0	--F7dc-_FSI	180	5777	5640	1920	1080	25.00	25.00	h264	Ne P
1	--cCAD-8Y_U	930	1195	1001	1280	720	30.00	30.00	h264	Gi
2	--g2gG8pQ0w	233	3028	2833	1280	720	23.98	23.98	h264	Co
3	-0DR7-voRCU	562	431	300	320	240	29.97	0.00	h264	Pec
4	-0Fkp-2EzX0	300	3087	2929	1280	720	23.98	23.98	h264	Gi
5	-0J-a-kKR1M	135	467	371	320	240	30.00	0.00	h264	Pec
6	-0bc_-HP6dE	43	634	501	480	360	29.97	29.97	h264	Entertain
7	-0hjSaYCRnA	4	738	605	540	360	29.97	0.00	h264	Co
8	-0kAY-vAVBc	228	5880	5686	1920	1080	25.00	25.00	h264	
9	-0INh-4ZuTE	268	492	364	640	360	25.00	0.00	h264	Edu



In [216]: *#Checking dataset info*
df.info()

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 17589 entries, 0 to 17588
Data columns (total 17 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   video_id              17589 non-null  object
1   duration              17589 non-null  int64
2   bitrate              17589 non-null  int64
3   bitrate(video)       17589 non-null  int64
4   height               17589 non-null  int64
5   width               17589 non-null  int64
6   frame rate           17589 non-null  float64
7   frame rate(est.)     17589 non-null  float64
8   codec                17589 non-null  object
9   category             17589 non-null  object
10  url                  17589 non-null  object
11  title                17589 non-null  object
12  description           16477 non-null  object
13  hashtags             16013 non-null  object
14  views                17589 non-null  int64
15  likes                17589 non-null  int64
16  comments             17589 non-null  int64
dtypes: float64(2), int64(8), object(7)
memory usage: 2.3+ MB
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In [217]: *#Checking Statistical info*
df.describe()

Out[217]:

	duration	bitrate	bitrate(video)	height	width	frame rate	
count	17589.000000	17589.000000	17589.000000	17589.000000	17589.000000	17589.000000	17589
mean	241.551936	1271.354369	1150.418443	766.781170	504.591961	26.467639	
std	493.026994	1375.359875	1351.800202	467.289304	262.727746	6.039748	
min	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	108.000000	88.000000	3.750000	
25%	51.000000	437.000000	326.000000	426.000000	320.000000	25.000000	
50%	135.000000	743.000000	632.000000	640.000000	480.000000	29.970000	
75%	268.000000	1293.000000	1184.000000	960.000000	720.000000	29.970000	
max	25845.000000	22421.000000	22229.000000	2592.000000	1944.000000	59.080000	

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In [218]: #checking for Total null values
df.isnull().sum()
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Out[218]: video_id          0
duration          0
bitrate           0
bitrate(video)    0
height            0
width             0
frame rate        0
frame rate(est.)  0
codec             0
category          0
url               0
title             0
description       1112
hashtags          1576
views             0
likes             0
comments          0
dtype: int64
```

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In [219]: #Creating duplicate data
df1=df
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Data Cleaning

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In [220]: #Dropping Unnecessary columns
cols=['url', 'description']
df1.drop(cols, axis=1, inplace=True)

#Checking columns
df1.columns
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Out[220]: Index(['video_id', 'duration', 'bitrate', 'bitrate(video)', 'height', 'width',
                'frame rate', 'frame rate(est.)', 'codec', 'category', 'title',
                'hashtags', 'views', 'likes', 'comments'],
                dtype='object')
```

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In [221]: #Renaming inconsistent column name & spacing
df1=df1.rename(columns={'frame rate':'frame_rate'})

df1=df1.rename(columns={'frame rate(est.)':'frame_rate_est'})

df1=df1.rename(columns={'bitrate(video)':'bitrate_video'})
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In [222]: #Handling missing values
df1['hashtags'].fillna('No Hashtags', inplace=True)

#Checking Null Values
df1.isna().sum()
```

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Out[222]: video_id      0
duration    0
bitrate     0
bitrate_video  0
height      0
width       0
frame_rate  0
frame_rate_est  0
codec       0
category    0
title       0
hashtags    0
views       0
likes       0
comments    0
dtype: int64
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In [223]: #Checking for Duplicate rows
df1.duplicated().sum()
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Out[223]: 0
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In [224]: #Checking for Unique values
df1.duplicated('video_id').sum()
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Out[224]: 0
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In [225]: #Checking Unique values category
df1['category'].value_counts()
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Out[225]: category
People & Blogs      3946
Music               2966
Entertainment       2252
Gaming              1420
Sports              1230
Comedy              1176
Autos & Vehicles    798
Education           644
News & Politics     636
Travel & Events     590
Film & Animation    587
Pets & Animals      476
Howto & Style       340
Science & Technology 283
Nonprofits & Activis 227
Shows               18
Name: count, dtype: int64
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In [226]: #Fixing Data Inconsistencies
df1['category'] = df1['category'].str.strip().str.title()
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In [227]: # Checking negative values
print("Negative values check:")
print(df1[['views', 'likes', 'comments', 'duration', 'height', 'width']].lt(0).sum())

# Checking zero values
print("\nZero values check:")
print(df1[['views', 'likes', 'comments', 'duration', 'height', 'width']].eq(0).sum())
```

Negative values check:

views	0
likes	0
comments	0
duration	0
height	0
width	0

dtype: int64

Zero values check:

views	171
likes	7918
comments	12899
duration	0
height	0
width	0

dtype: int64

Outlier detection & Treatment

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In [228]: #Imputing IQR for views
def find_outliers(df1, views):
    Q1 = df1[views].quantile(0.25)    # 25th percentile
    Q3 = df1[views].quantile(0.75)    # 75th percentile
    IQR = Q3 - Q1                      # Interquartile Range

    lower_limit = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
    upper_limit = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR

    outliers = df1[(df1[views] < lower_limit) | (df1[views] > upper_limit)]

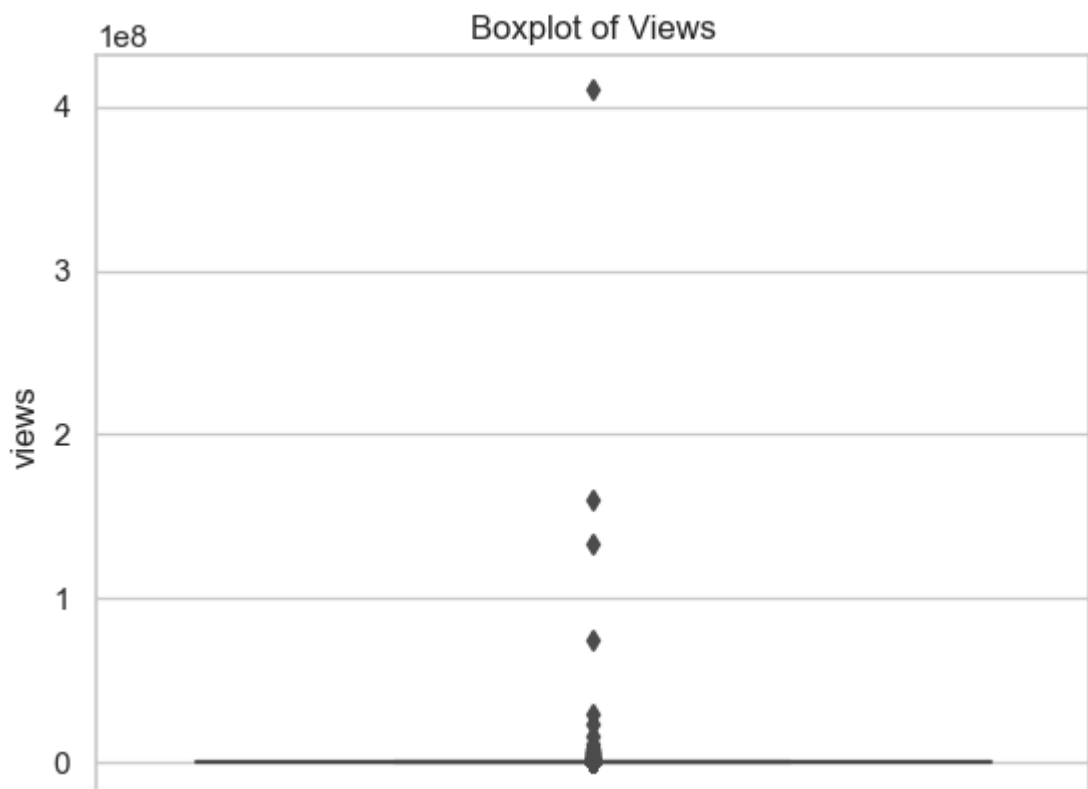
    return outliers

#Checking for outliers
outliers_views = find_outliers(df1, "views")
print("Outliers in views:", len(outliers_views))

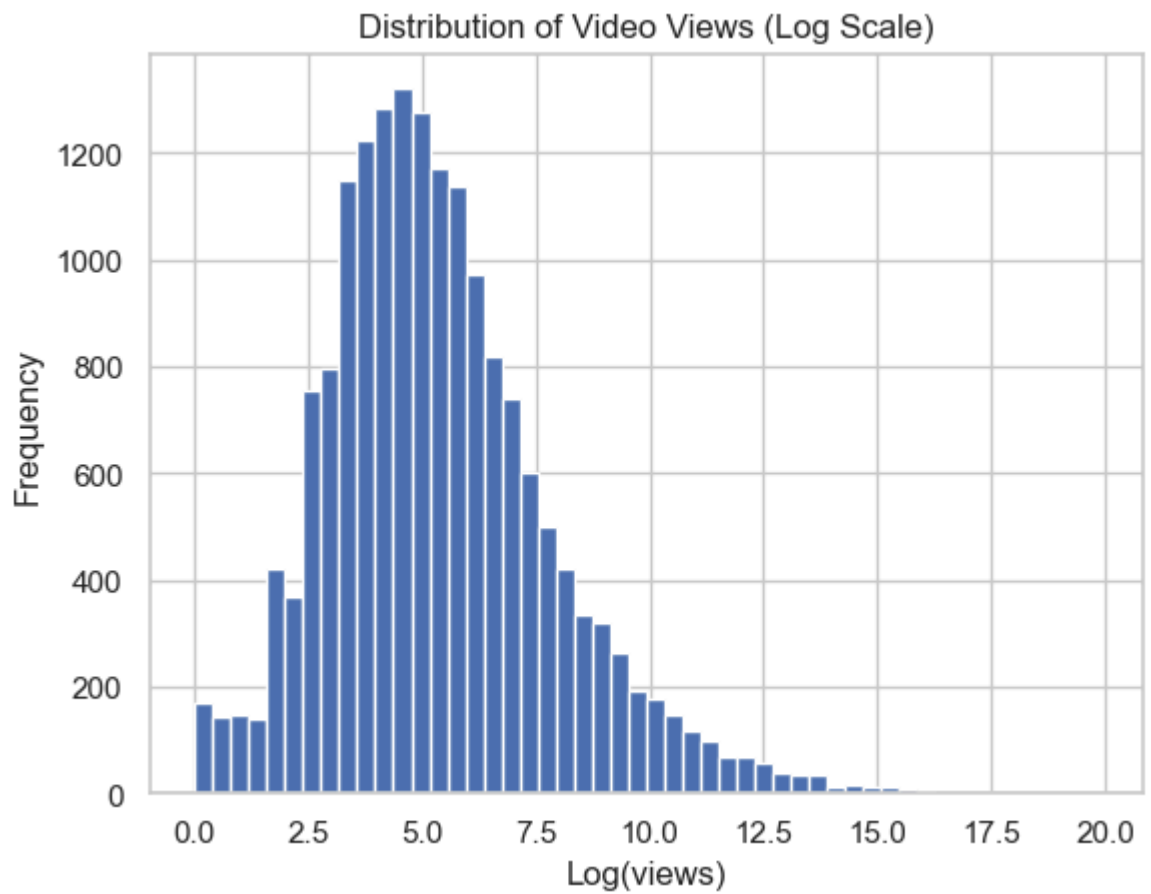
print(df1["views"].describe())
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Outliers in views: 2888
count    1.758900e+04
mean     6.894158e+04
std      3.537491e+06
min       0.000000e+00
25%      3.800000e+01
50%      1.520000e+02
75%      8.000000e+02
max      4.103849e+08
Name: views, dtype: float64
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In [229]: #Boxplot to view outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["views"])
plt.title("Boxplot of Views")
plt.show()
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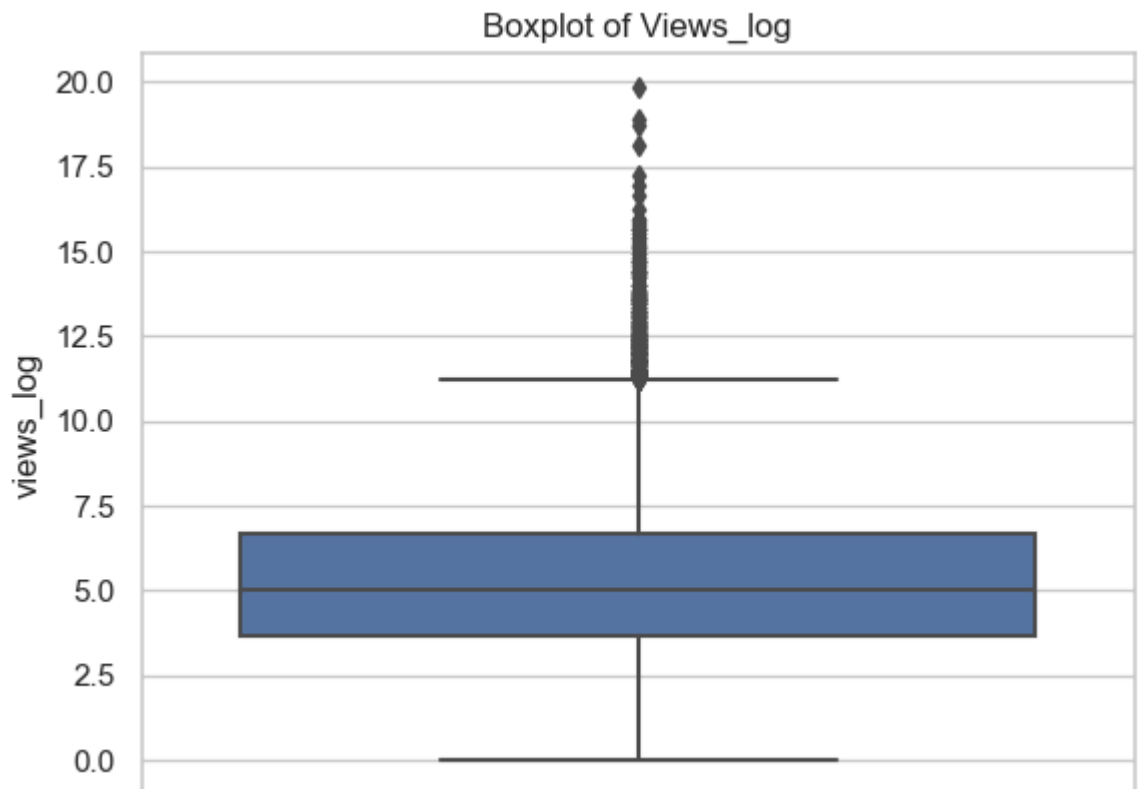


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In [230]: #Histogram using Log
plt.hist(np.log1p(df1["views"]), bins=50)
plt.xlabel("Log(views)")
plt.ylabel("Frequency")
plt.title("Distribution of Video Views (Log Scale)")
plt.show()
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In [231]: #Log transform
df1['views_log'] = np.log1p(df1['views'])

#Boxplot for viewing outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["views_log"])
plt.title("Boxplot of Views_log")
plt.show()
```



```
In [232]: #Imputing IQR for Likes
def find_outliers(df1, likes):
    Q1 = df1[likes].quantile(0.25)    # 25th percentile
    Q3 = df1[likes].quantile(0.75)    # 75th percentile
    IQR = Q3 - Q1                      # Interquartile Range

    lower_limit = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
    upper_limit = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR

    outliers = df1[(df1[likes] < lower_limit) | (df1[likes] > upper_limit)]

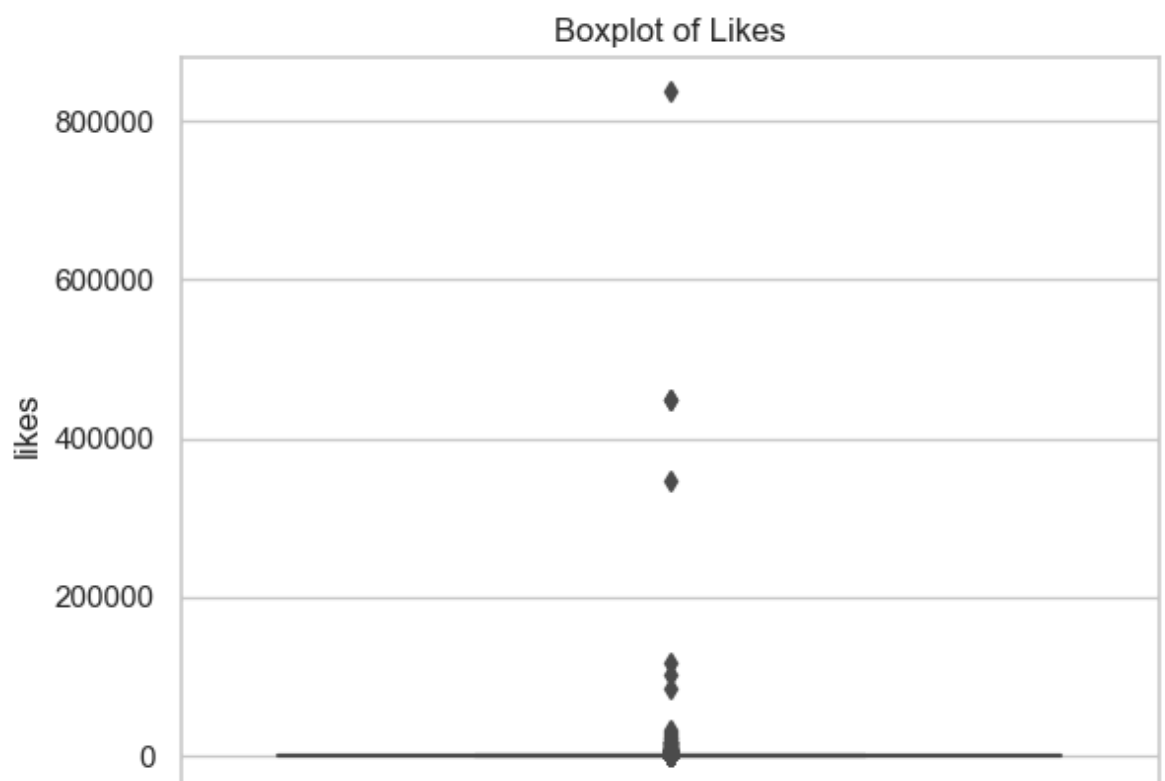
    return outliers

#Checking for outliers
outliers_likes = find_outliers(df1, "likes")
print("Outliers in likes:", len(outliers_likes))

print(df1["likes"].describe())
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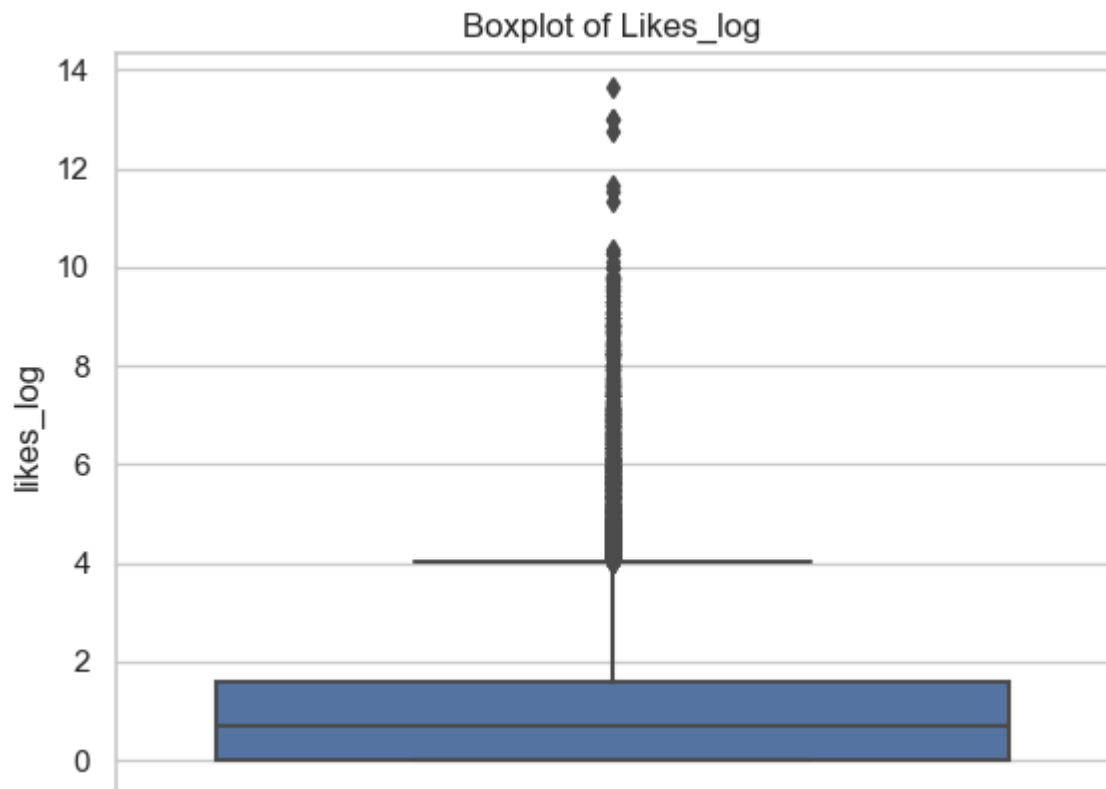
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Outliers in likes: 2565
count    17589.000000
mean       208.862641
std       8477.504735
min         0.000000
25%         0.000000
50%         1.000000
75%         4.000000
max      836981.000000
Name: likes, dtype: float64
```

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In [233]: #Boxplot to view outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["likes"])
plt.title("Boxplot of Likes")
plt.show()
```



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In [234]: #Log Transform
df1['likes_log'] = np.log1p(df1['likes'])

#Boxplot to view outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["likes_log"])
plt.title("Boxplot of Likes_log")
plt.show()
```



```
In [235]: #Imputing IQR
def find_outliers(df1, comments):
    Q1 = df1[comments].quantile(0.25)    # 25th percentile
    Q3 = df1[comments].quantile(0.75)    # 75th percentile
    IQR = Q3 - Q1                        # Interquartile Range

    lower_limit = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
    upper_limit = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR

    outliers = df1[(df1[comments] < lower_limit) | (df1[comments] > upper_limit)]

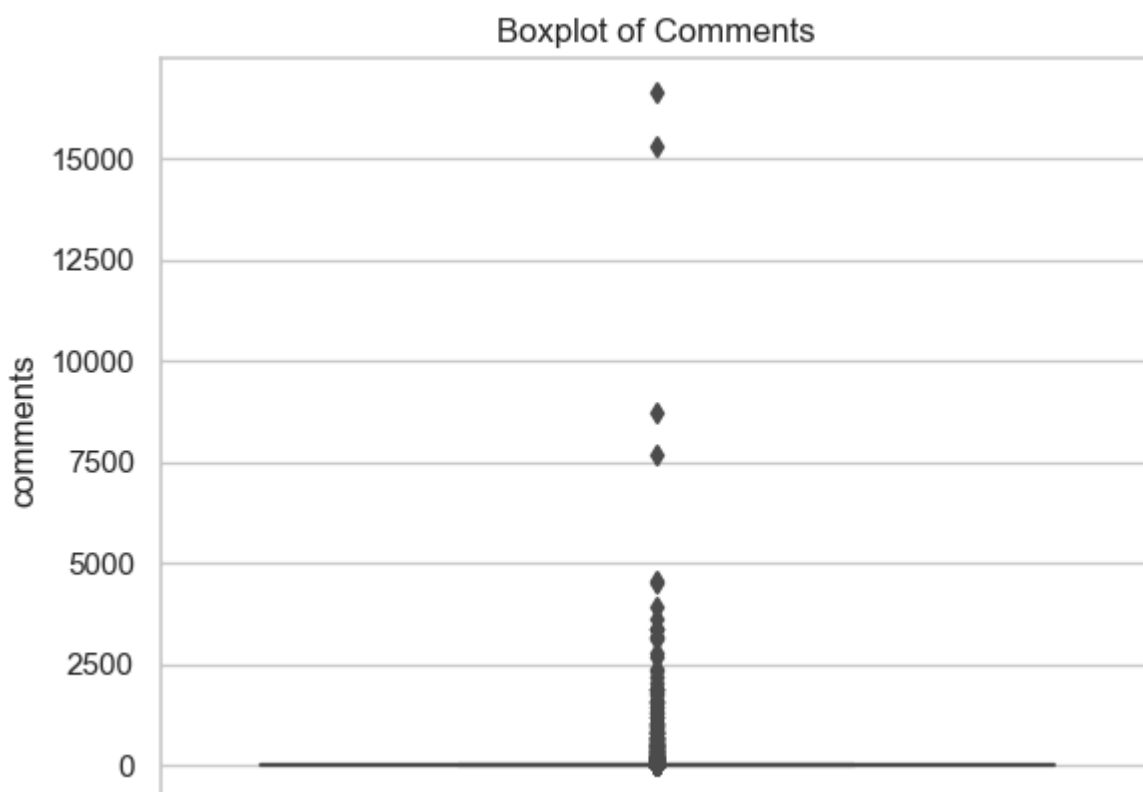
    return outliers

#Checking for outliers
outliers_comments = find_outliers(df1, "comments")
print("Outliers in comments:", len(outliers_comments))

print(df1["comments"].describe())
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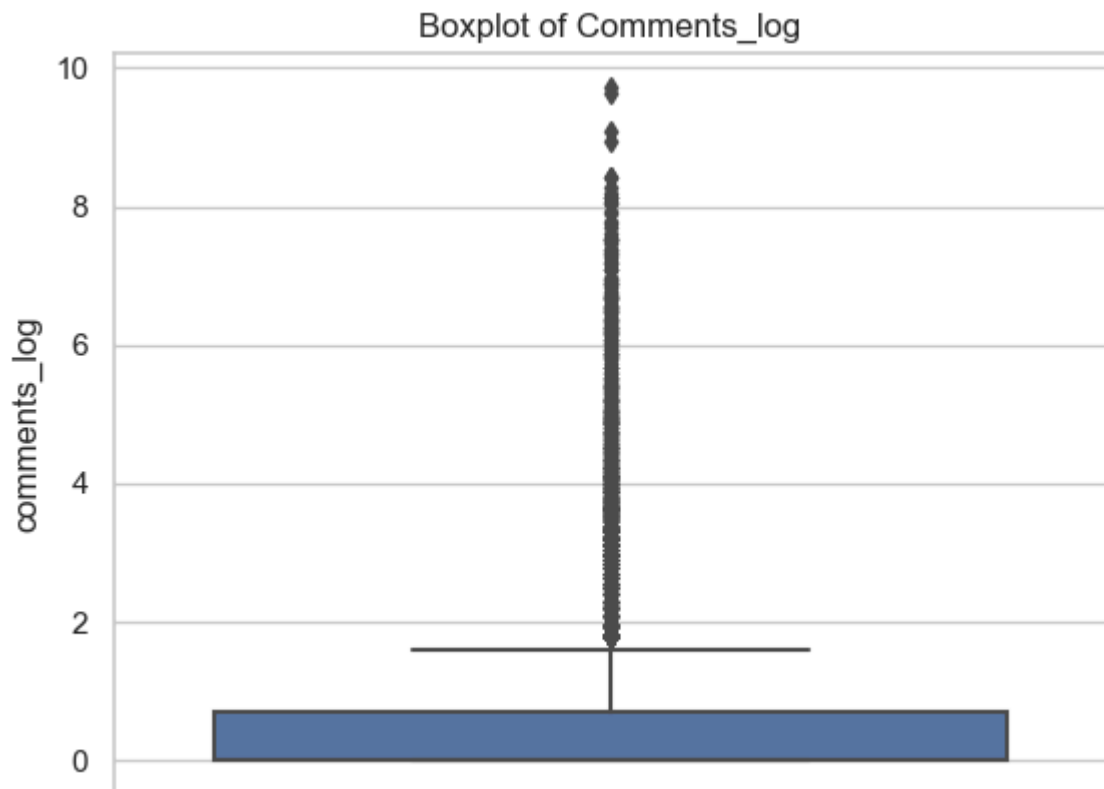
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Outliers in comments: 2424
count    17589.000000
mean      12.899312
std       225.839378
min        0.000000
25%        0.000000
50%        0.000000
75%        1.000000
max       16634.000000
Name: comments, dtype: float64
```

```
In [236]: #Boxplot to view outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["comments"])
plt.title("Boxplot of Comments")
plt.show()
```



```
In [237]: #Log Transform
df1['comments_log'] = np.log1p(df1['comments'])

#Boxplot to view outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["comments_log"])
plt.title("Boxplot of Comments_log")
plt.show()
```



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In [238]: #Imputing IQR for Duration
def find_outliers(df1, duration):
    Q1 = df1[duration].quantile(0.25)    # 25th percentile
    Q3 = df1[duration].quantile(0.75)    # 75th percentile
    IQR = Q3 - Q1                        # Interquartile Range

    lower_limit = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
    upper_limit = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR

    outliers = df1[(df1[duration] < lower_limit) | (df1[duration] > upper_limit)]

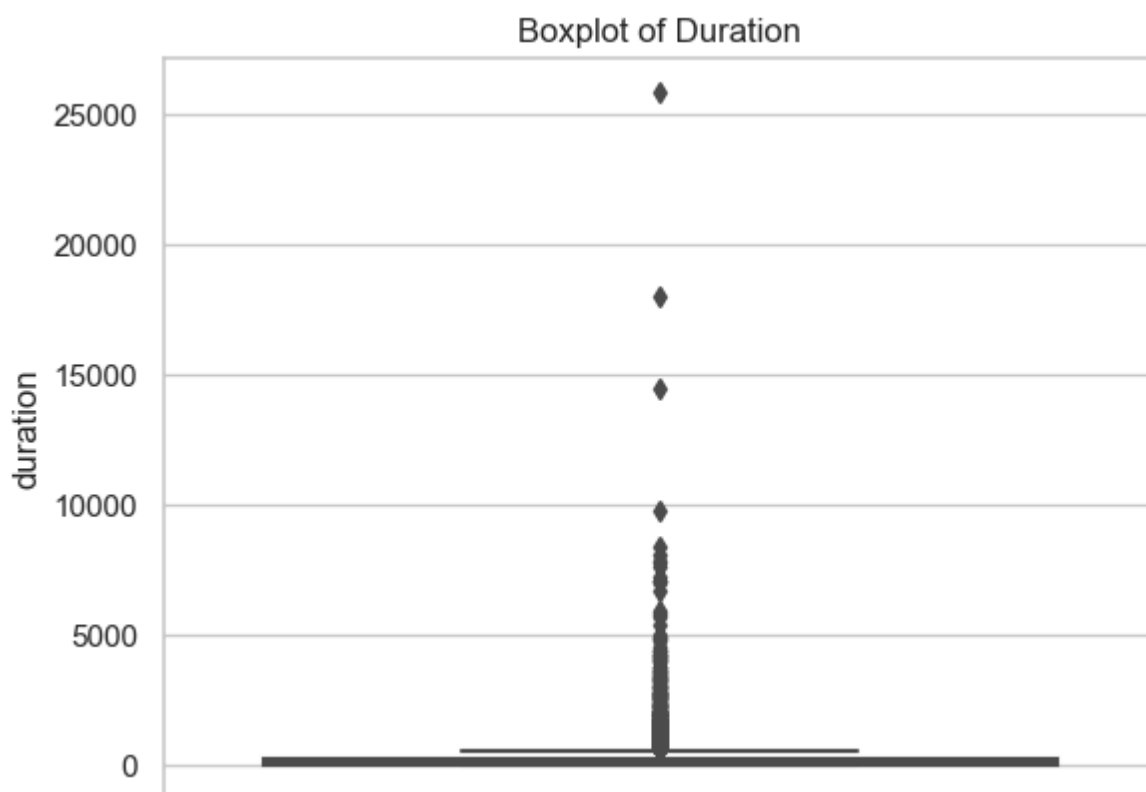
    return outliers

#Checking for outliers
outliers_duration = find_outliers(df1, "duration")
print("Outliers in duration:", len(outliers_duration))

print(df1["duration"].describe())
```

```
Outliers in duration: 1376
count    17589.000000
mean      241.551936
std       493.026994
min        1.000000
25%       51.000000
50%      135.000000
75%      268.000000
max     25845.000000
Name: duration, dtype: float64
```

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In [239]: #Boxplot for viewing outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["duration"])
plt.title("Boxplot of Duration")
plt.show()
```



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In [240]: #Categorizing to minutes
bins = [0, 240, 600, 1800, float('inf')] # <4 min, 4-10 min, 10-30 min, >30 min
labels = ['Short (<4 min)', 'Medium (4-10 min)', 'Long (10-30 min)', 'Very Long (>30 min)']

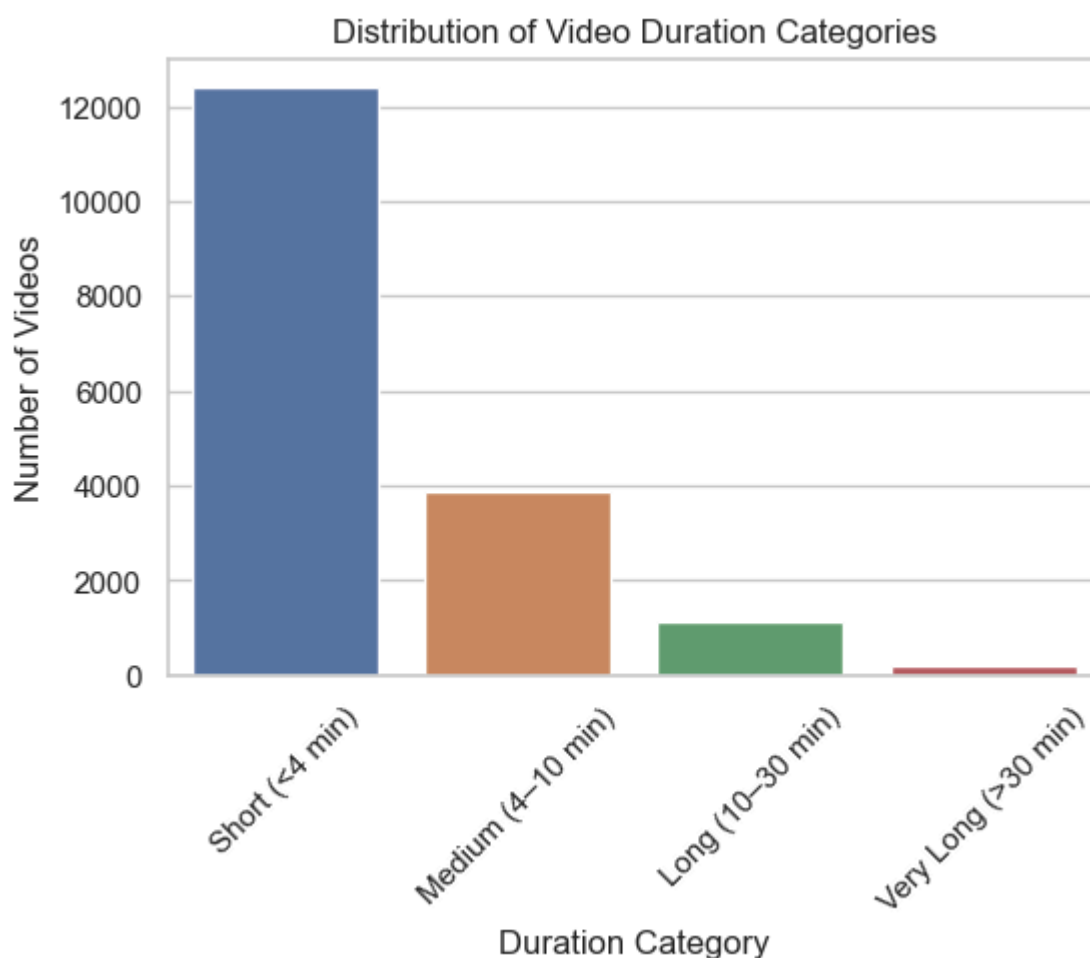
#Creating duration categories
df1['duration_category'] = pd.cut(df1['duration'], bins=bins, labels=labels, right=False)

print(df1['duration_category'].value_counts())
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duration_category
Short (<4 min)      12389
Medium (4-10 min)   3885
Long (10-30 min)    1116
Very Long (>30 min)  199
Name: count, dtype: int64
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In [241]: #Bar chart for viewing duration category
plt.figure(figsize=(6,4))
sns.countplot(data=df1, x='duration_category', order=df1['duration_category'].value_counts().index)

plt.title("Distribution of Video Duration Categories")
plt.xlabel("Duration Category")
plt.ylabel("Number of Videos")
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```



```
In [242]: #Imputing IQR
def find_outliers(df1, bitrate):
    Q1 = df1[bitrate].quantile(0.25)    # 25th percentile
    Q3 = df1[bitrate].quantile(0.75)    # 75th percentile
    IQR = Q3 - Q1                        # Interquartile Range

    lower_limit = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
    upper_limit = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR

    outliers = df1[(df1[bitrate] < lower_limit) | (df1[bitrate] > upper_limit)]

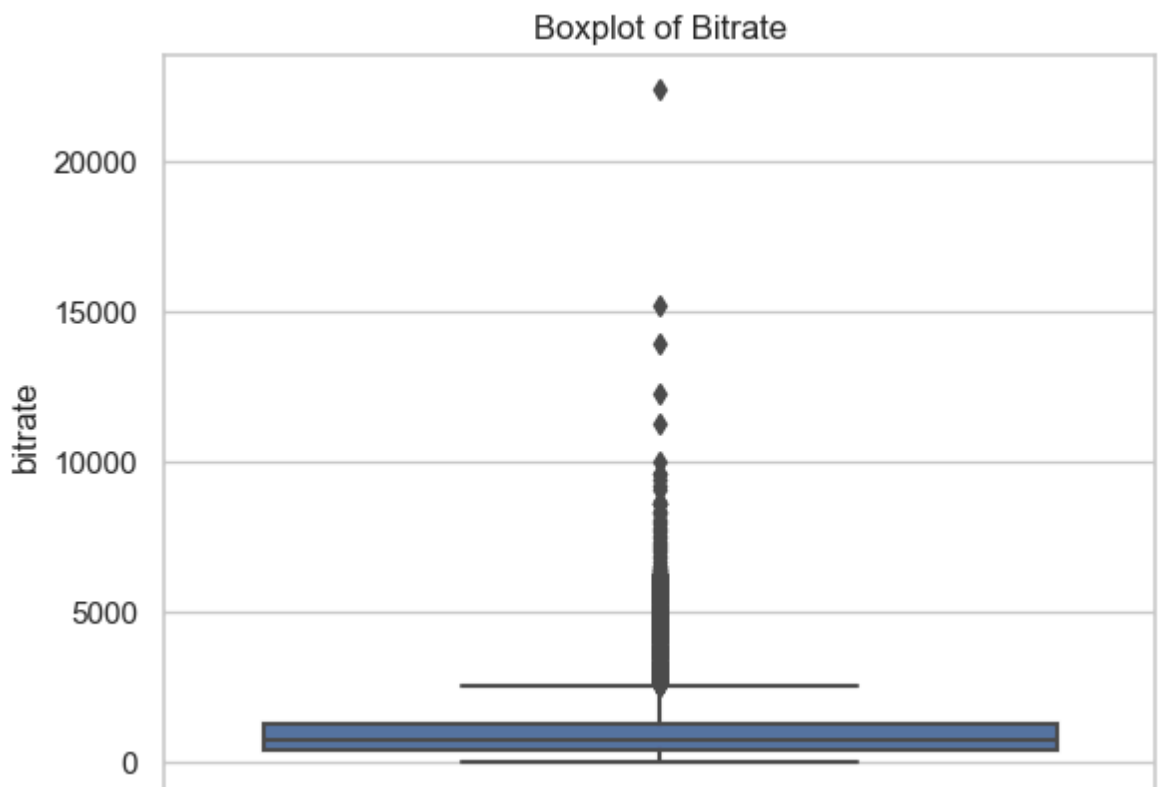
    return outliers

#Checking for outliers
outliers_bitrate = find_outliers(df1, "bitrate")
print("Outliers in bitrate:", len(outliers_bitrate))

print(df1["bitrate"].describe())
```

```
Outliers in bitrate: 2671
count    17589.000000
mean      1271.354369
std       1375.359875
min         0.000000
25%        437.000000
50%        743.000000
75%       1293.000000
max       22421.000000
Name: bitrate, dtype: float64
```

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In [243]: #Boxplot for viewing outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["bitrate"])
plt.title("Boxplot of Bitrate")
plt.show()
```




```
In [244]: #Imputing IQR
def find_outliers(df1, bitrate_video):
    Q1 = df1[bitrate_video].quantile(0.25) # 25th percentile
    Q3 = df1[bitrate_video].quantile(0.75) # 75th percentile
    IQR = Q3 - Q1 # Interquartile Range

    lower_limit = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
    upper_limit = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR

    outliers = df1[(df1[bitrate_video] < lower_limit) | (df1[bitrate_video] >
    upper_limit)]

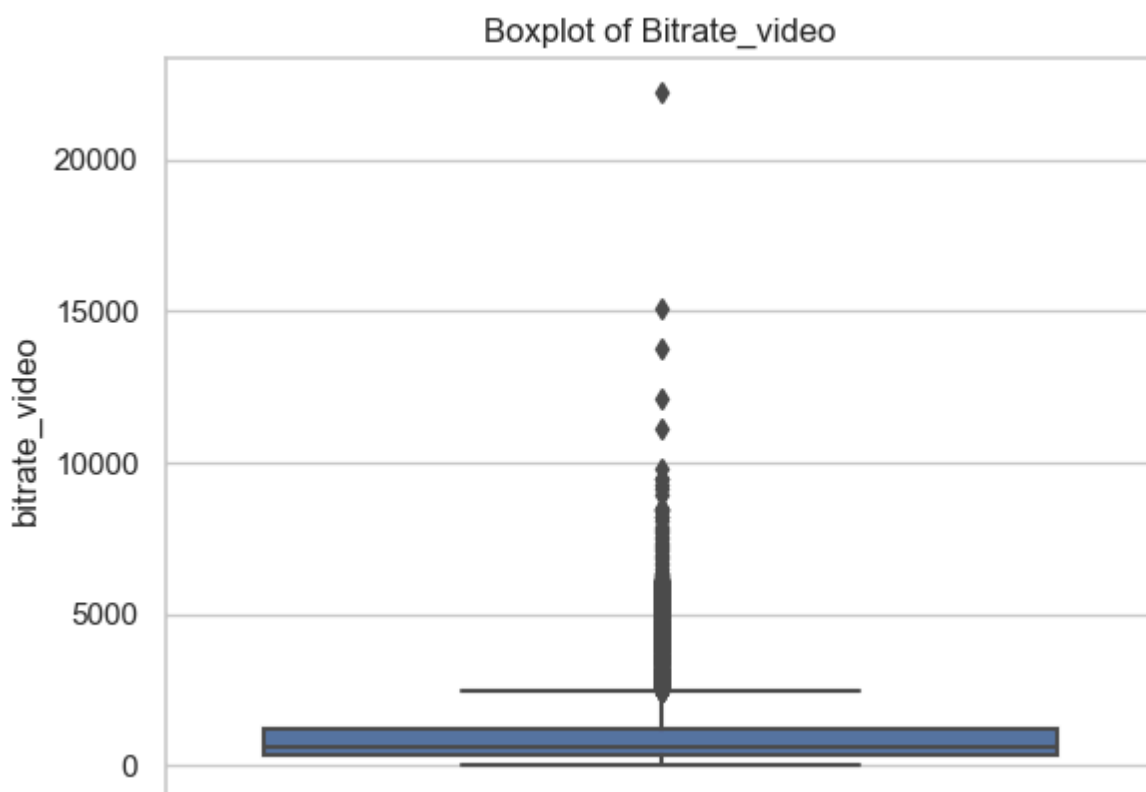
    return outliers

#Checking for outliers
outliers_bitrate_video = find_outliers(df1, "bitrate_video")
print("Outliers in bitrate_video:", len(outliers_bitrate_video))

print(df1["bitrate_video"].describe())
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```
Outliers in bitrate_video: 2597
count    17589.000000
mean      1150.418443
std       1351.800202
min         0.000000
25%        326.000000
50%        632.000000
75%       1184.000000
max       22229.000000
Name: bitrate_video, dtype: float64
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In [245]: #Boxplot for viewing outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["bitrate_video"])
plt.title("Boxplot of Bitrate_video")
plt.show()
```



```
In [246]: #Imputing IQR
def find_outliers(df1, frame_rate):
    Q1 = df1[frame_rate].quantile(0.25)    # 25th percentile
    Q3 = df1[frame_rate].quantile(0.75)    # 75th percentile
    IQR = Q3 - Q1                          # Interquartile Range

    lower_limit = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
    upper_limit = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR

    outliers = df1[(df1[frame_rate] < lower_limit) | (df1[frame_rate] > upper_

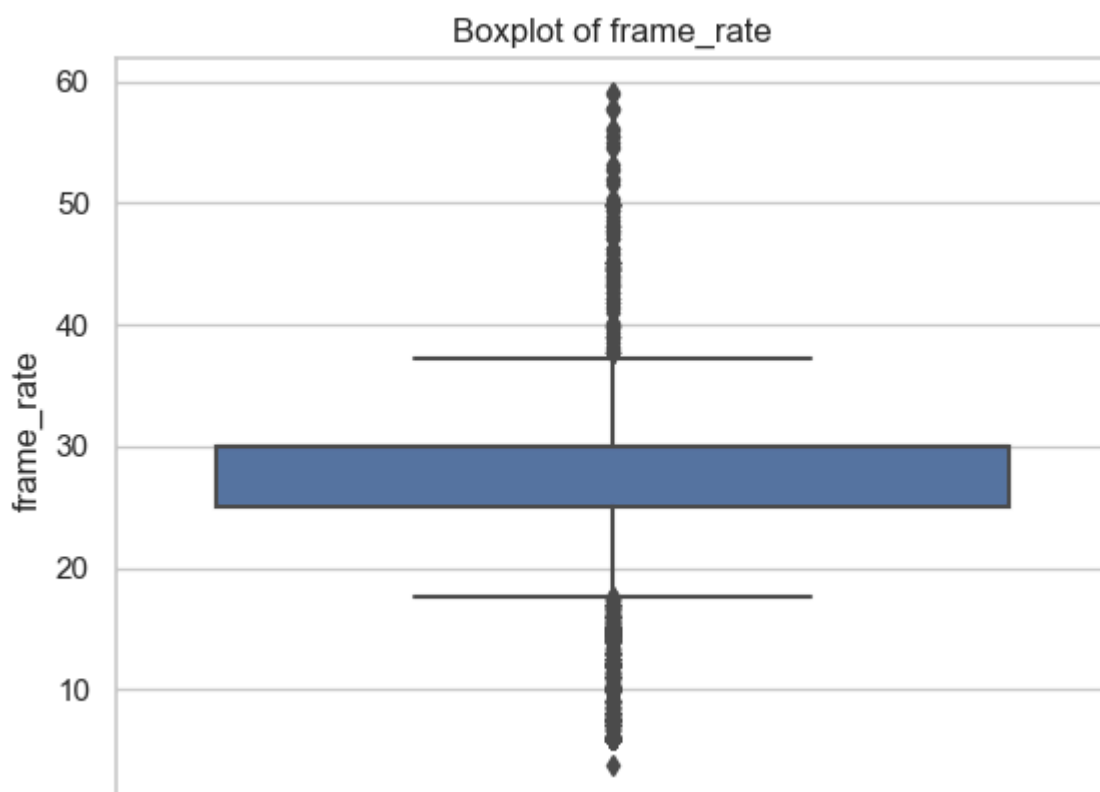
    return outliers

#Checking for outliers
outliers_frame_rate = find_outliers(df1, "frame_rate")
print("Outliers in frame_rate:", len(outliers_frame_rate))

print(df1["frame_rate"].describe())
```

```
Outliers in frame_rate: 2287
count    17589.000000
mean      26.467639
std       6.039748
min       3.750000
25%      25.000000
50%      29.970000
75%      29.970000
max      59.080000
Name: frame_rate, dtype: float64
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In [247]: #Boxplot for viewing outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["frame_rate"])
plt.title("Boxplot of frame_rate")
plt.show()
```



```
In [248]: #Imputing IQR
def find_outliers(df1, frame_rate_est):
    Q1 = df1[frame_rate_est].quantile(0.25)    # 25th percentile
    Q3 = df1[frame_rate_est].quantile(0.75)    # 75th percentile
    IQR = Q3 - Q1                               # Interquartile Range

    lower_limit = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
    upper_limit = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR

    outliers = df1[(df1[frame_rate_est] < lower_limit) | (df1[frame_rate_est]
    > upper_limit)]

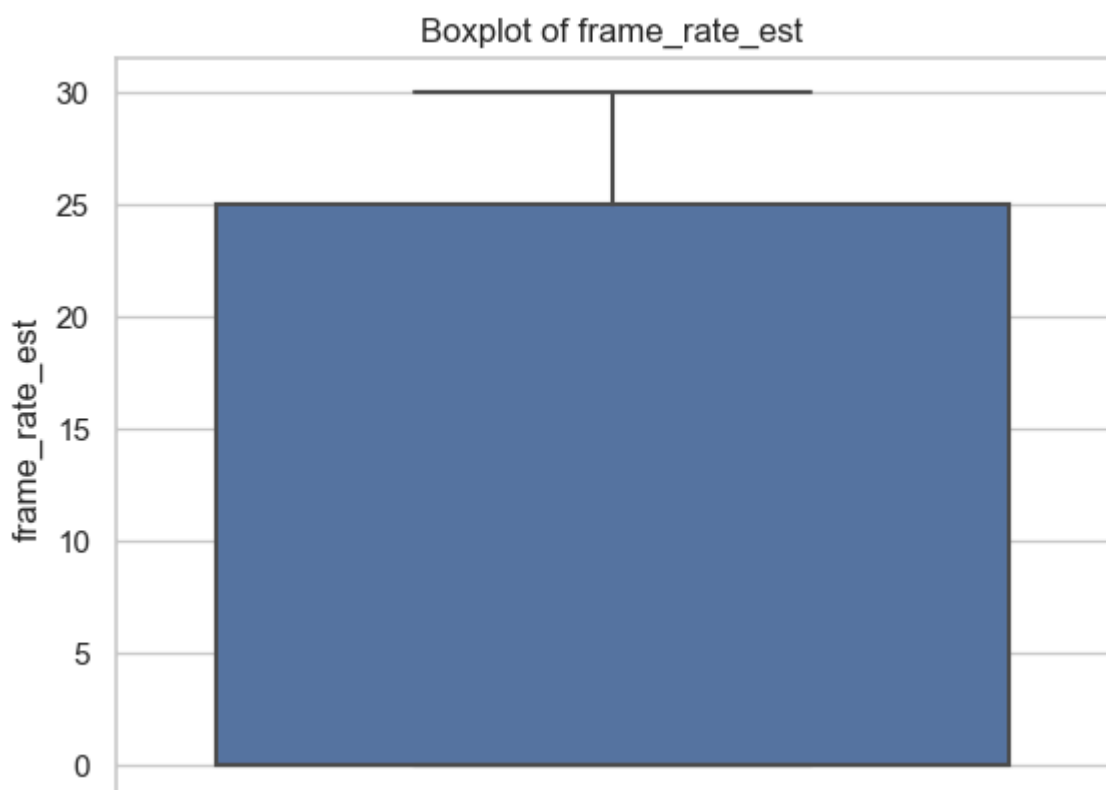
    return outliers

#Checking for outliers
outliers_frame_rate_est = find_outliers(df1, "frame_rate_est")
print("Outliers in frame_rate_est:", len(outliers_frame_rate_est))

print(df1["frame_rate_est"].describe())
```

```
Outliers in frame_rate_est: 0
count    17589.000000
mean       9.471172
std       13.253197
min        0.000000
25%        0.000000
50%        0.000000
75%       25.000000
max       30.000000
Name: frame_rate_est, dtype: float64
```

```
In [249]: #Boxplot for viewing outliers
sns.boxplot(y=df1["frame_rate_est"])
plt.title("Boxplot of frame_rate_est")
plt.show()
```



In [250]: *#Checking for log transformation columns*
 df1.head()

Out[250]:

	video_id	duration	bitrate	bitrate_video	height	width	frame_rate	frame_rate_est	codec
0	--F7dc-_FSI	180	5777	5640	1920	1080	25.00	25.00	h264
1	--cCAD-8Y_U	930	1195	1001	1280	720	30.00	30.00	h264
2	--g2gG8pQ0w	233	3028	2833	1280	720	23.98	23.98	h264
3	-0DR7-voRCU	562	431	300	320	240	29.97	0.00	h264
4	-0Fkp-2EzX0	300	3087	2929	1280	720	23.98	23.98	h264



Feature Engineering

In [251]: *#Adding column Engagement rate*
 df1['engagement_rate'] = np.where(df1['views'] > 0, (df1['likes'] + df1['commer
#Filling null values to 0 (171 rows contain 0 views)
 df1['engagement_rate'] = df1['engagement_rate'].fillna(0)

```
In [252]: #Categorizing & Adding Resolution column
def map_resolution(h):
    if h <= 240:
        return "240p"
    elif h <= 360:
        return "360p"
    elif h <= 480:
        return "480p"
    elif h <= 720:
        return "720p (HD)"
    elif h <= 1080:
        return "1080p (Full HD)"
    elif h <= 2160:
        return "2160p (4K)"
    else:
        return "Other"

df1['resolution'] = df1['height'].apply(map_resolution)

# Checking distribution
print(df1['resolution'].value_counts())
```

```
resolution
720p (HD)          6155
2160p (4K)         4301
360p               3303
480p               1784
1080p (Full HD)   1277
240p                766
Other                3
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

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In [253]: #Adding Column to minutes
df1["duration_min"] = df1["duration"] / 60
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```
In [254]: #Adding Column
df1["likes_per_min"] = np.where(df1["duration_min"] > 0, df1["likes"] / df1["duration_min"], 0)
```

```
In [255]: #Adding Column
df1["views_per_min"] = np.where(df1["duration_min"] > 0, df1["views"] / df1["duration_min"], 0)
```

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In [256]: #binary flag for hashtags
df1['has_hashtags'] = df1['hashtags'].notna().astype(int)
```

```
In [257]: # Define viral threshold (top 5% by views)
viral_threshold = df1['views'].quantile(0.95)
df1['is_viral'] = (df1['views'] >= viral_threshold).astype(int)
```

In [258]: *#Checking Dataset info*
df1.info()

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 17589 entries, 0 to 17588
Data columns (total 26 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   video_id              17589 non-null  object
1   duration              17589 non-null  int64
2   bitrate               17589 non-null  int64
3   bitrate_video         17589 non-null  int64
4   height                17589 non-null  int64
5   width                 17589 non-null  int64
6   frame_rate            17589 non-null  float64
7   frame_rate_est        17589 non-null  float64
8   codec                 17589 non-null  object
9   category              17589 non-null  object
10  title                 17589 non-null  object
11  hashtags              17589 non-null  object
12  views                 17589 non-null  int64
13  likes                 17589 non-null  int64
14  comments              17589 non-null  int64
15  views_log              17589 non-null  float64
16  likes_log              17589 non-null  float64
17  comments_log           17589 non-null  float64
18  duration_category      17589 non-null  category
19  engagement_rate        17589 non-null  float64
20  resolution             17589 non-null  object
21  duration_min           17589 non-null  float64
22  likes_per_min          17589 non-null  float64
23  views_per_min          17589 non-null  float64
24  has_hashtags           17589 non-null  int32
25  is_viral               17589 non-null  int32
dtypes: category(1), float64(9), int32(2), int64(8), object(6)
memory usage: 3.2+ MB
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In [259]: #Checking for Null values
df1.isna().sum()
```

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Out[259]: video_id      0
duration    0
bitrate     0
bitrate_video 0
height      0
width       0
frame_rate  0
frame_rate_est 0
codec       0
category    0
title       0
hashtags    0
views       0
likes       0
comments    0
views_log   0
likes_log   0
comments_log 0
duration_category 0
engagement_rate 0
resolution  0
duration_min 0
likes_per_min 0
views_per_min 0
has_hashtags 0
is_viral    0
dtype: int64
```

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In [260]: df.to_csv('cleaned_youtube_dataset.csv', index=False)
```

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In [261]: #Viewing dataset for Analysis
df1.head(5)
```

Out[261]:

	video_id	duration	bitrate	bitrate_video	height	width	frame_rate	frame_rate_est	codec
0	--F7dc_FSI	180	5777	5640	1920	1080	25.00	25.00	h264
1	--cCAD-8Y_U	930	1195	1001	1280	720	30.00	30.00	h264
2	--g2gG8pQ0w	233	3028	2833	1280	720	23.98	23.98	h264
3	-0DR7-voRCU	562	431	300	320	240	29.97	0.00	h264
4	-0Fkp-2EzX0	300	3087	2929	1280	720	23.98	23.98	h264

5 rows × 26 columns

In [262]: *#Checking dataset info*
df1.info()

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 17589 entries, 0 to 17588
Data columns (total 26 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   video_id              17589 non-null  object
1   duration              17589 non-null  int64
2   bitrate               17589 non-null  int64
3   bitrate_video         17589 non-null  int64
4   height                17589 non-null  int64
5   width                 17589 non-null  int64
6   frame_rate            17589 non-null  float64
7   frame_rate_est        17589 non-null  float64
8   codec                 17589 non-null  object
9   category              17589 non-null  object
10  title                 17589 non-null  object
11  hashtags              17589 non-null  object
12  views                 17589 non-null  int64
13  likes                 17589 non-null  int64
14  comments              17589 non-null  int64
15  views_log              17589 non-null  float64
16  likes_log              17589 non-null  float64
17  comments_log           17589 non-null  float64
18  duration_category     17589 non-null  category
19  engagement_rate       17589 non-null  float64
20  resolution            17589 non-null  object
21  duration_min          17589 non-null  float64
22  likes_per_min         17589 non-null  float64
23  views_per_min         17589 non-null  float64
24  has_hashtags          17589 non-null  int32
25  is_viral              17589 non-null  int32
dtypes: category(1), float64(9), int32(2), int64(8), object(6)
memory usage: 3.2+ MB
```

In [263]: *#Checking Statistical details*
df1.describe()

Out[263]:

	duration	bitrate	bitrate_video	height	width	frame_rate	fra
count	17589.000000	17589.000000	17589.000000	17589.000000	17589.000000	17589.000000	1
mean	241.551936	1271.354369	1150.418443	766.781170	504.591961	26.467639	
std	493.026994	1375.359875	1351.800202	467.289304	262.727746	6.039748	
min	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	108.000000	88.000000	3.750000	
25%	51.000000	437.000000	326.000000	426.000000	320.000000	25.000000	
50%	135.000000	743.000000	632.000000	640.000000	480.000000	29.970000	
75%	268.000000	1293.000000	1184.000000	960.000000	720.000000	29.970000	
max	25845.000000	22421.000000	22229.000000	2592.000000	1944.000000	59.080000	

Univariate Analysis


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In [264]: #List of numeric columns
num_cols = ['views_log', 'likes_log', 'comments_log', 'engagement_rate', 'duration_min']

#Histograms for numerical features
plt.figure(figsize=(20, 12))

plt.subplot(2,3,1)
plt.hist(df1['views_log'], bins=30)
plt.title("Views (log)")

plt.subplot(2,3,2)
plt.hist(df1['likes_log'], bins=30)
plt.title("Likes (log)")

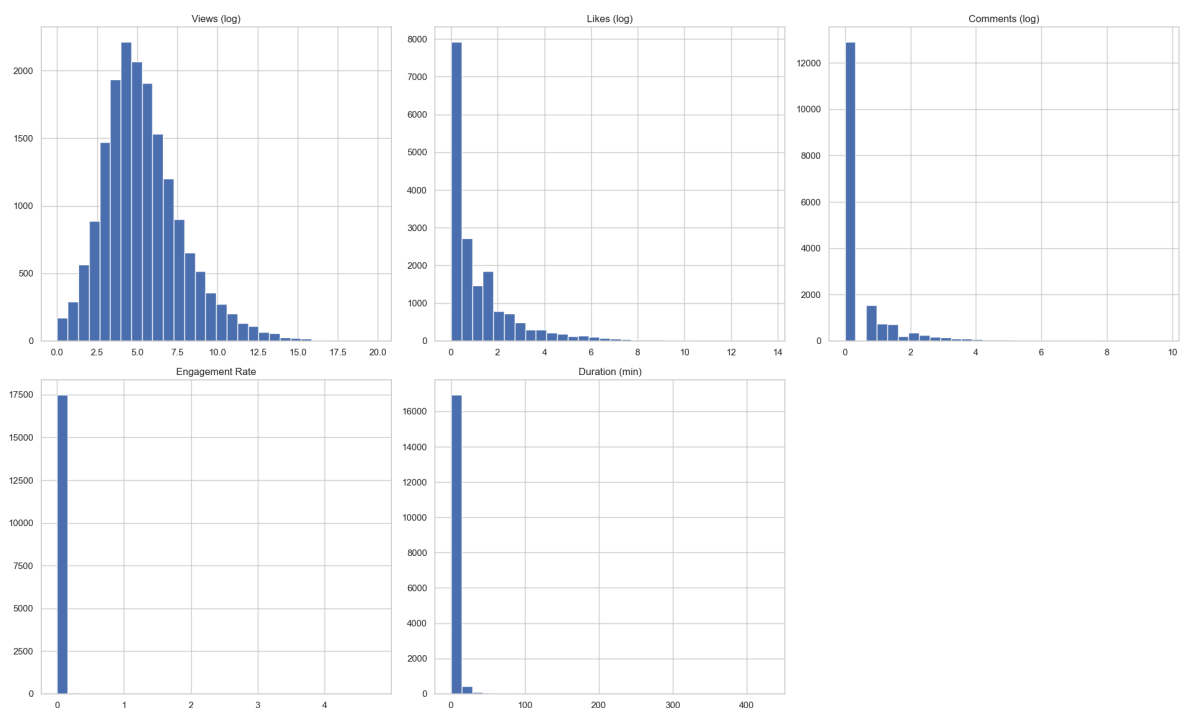
plt.subplot(2,3,3)
plt.hist(df1['comments_log'], bins=30)
plt.title("Comments (log)")

plt.subplot(2,3,4)
plt.hist(df1['engagement_rate'], bins=30)
plt.title("Engagement Rate")

plt.subplot(2,3,5)
plt.hist(df1['duration_min'], bins=30)
plt.title("Duration (min)")

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

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In [265]: #Boxplots for numerical features
plt.figure(figsize=(20,12))

plt.subplot(2,3,1)
sns.boxplot(y=df1['views_log'])
plt.title("Views (log)")

plt.subplot(2,3,2)
sns.boxplot(y=df1['likes_log'])
plt.title("Likes (log)")

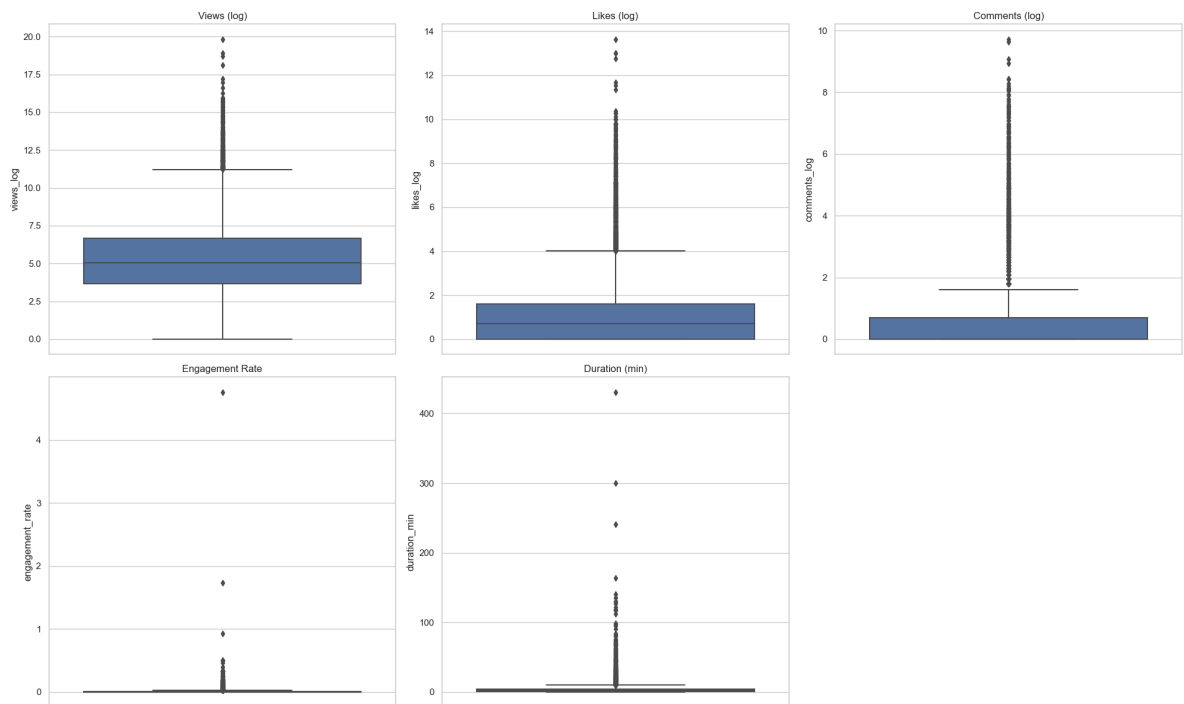
plt.subplot(2,3,3)
sns.boxplot(y=df1['comments_log'])
plt.title("Comments (log)")

plt.subplot(2,3,4)
sns.boxplot(y=df1['engagement_rate'])
plt.title("Engagement Rate")

plt.subplot(2,3,5)
sns.boxplot(y=df1['duration_min'])
plt.title("Duration (min)")

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

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In [266]: #Barchart for Categorical features
plt.figure(figsize=(15,10))

#Category
plt.subplot(2,3,1)
sns.countplot(x='category', data=df1)
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
plt.title("Category Distribution")

#Resolution
plt.subplot(2,3,2)
sns.countplot(x='resolution', data=df1)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.title("Resolution Distribution")

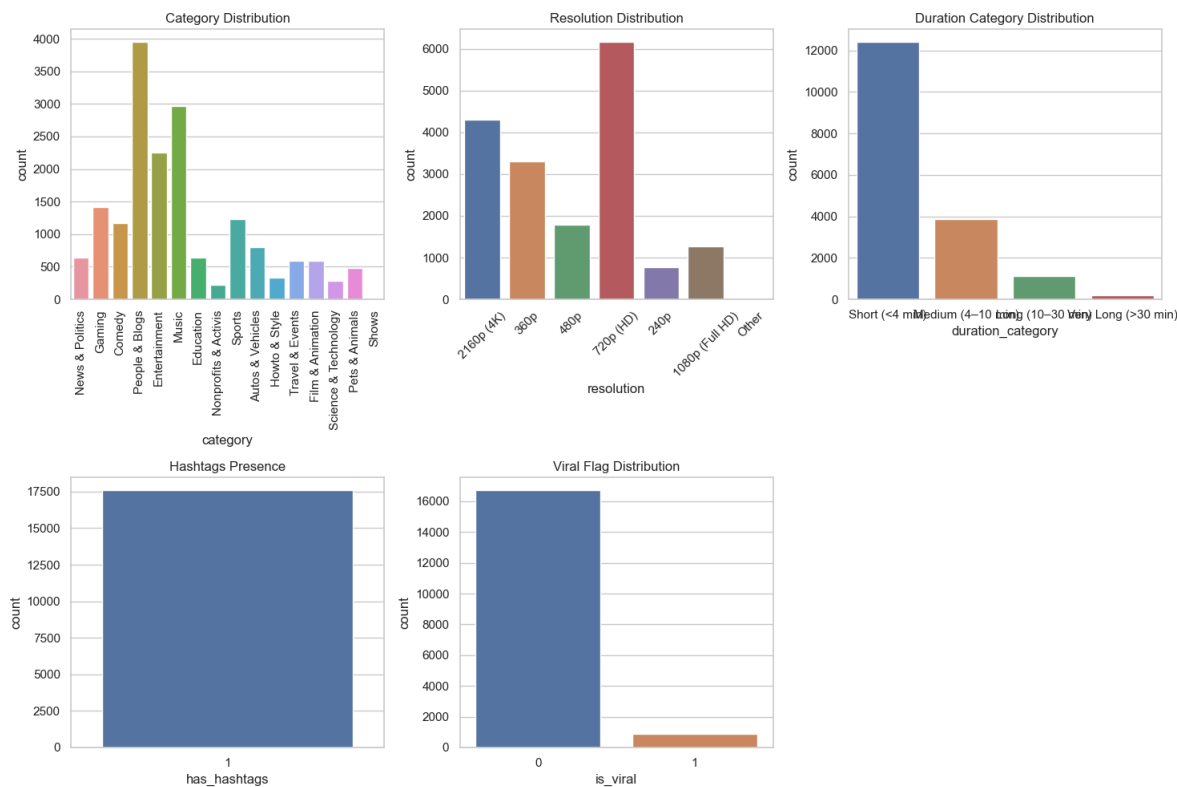
#Duration Category
plt.subplot(2,3,3)
sns.countplot(x='duration_category', data=df1)
plt.title("Duration Category Distribution")

#Has Hashtags
plt.subplot(2,3,4)
sns.countplot(x='has_hashtags', data=df1)
plt.title("Hashtags Presence")

#Viral Flag
plt.subplot(2,3,5)
sns.countplot(x='is_viral', data=df1)
plt.title("Viral Flag Distribution")

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

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Bivariate Analysis

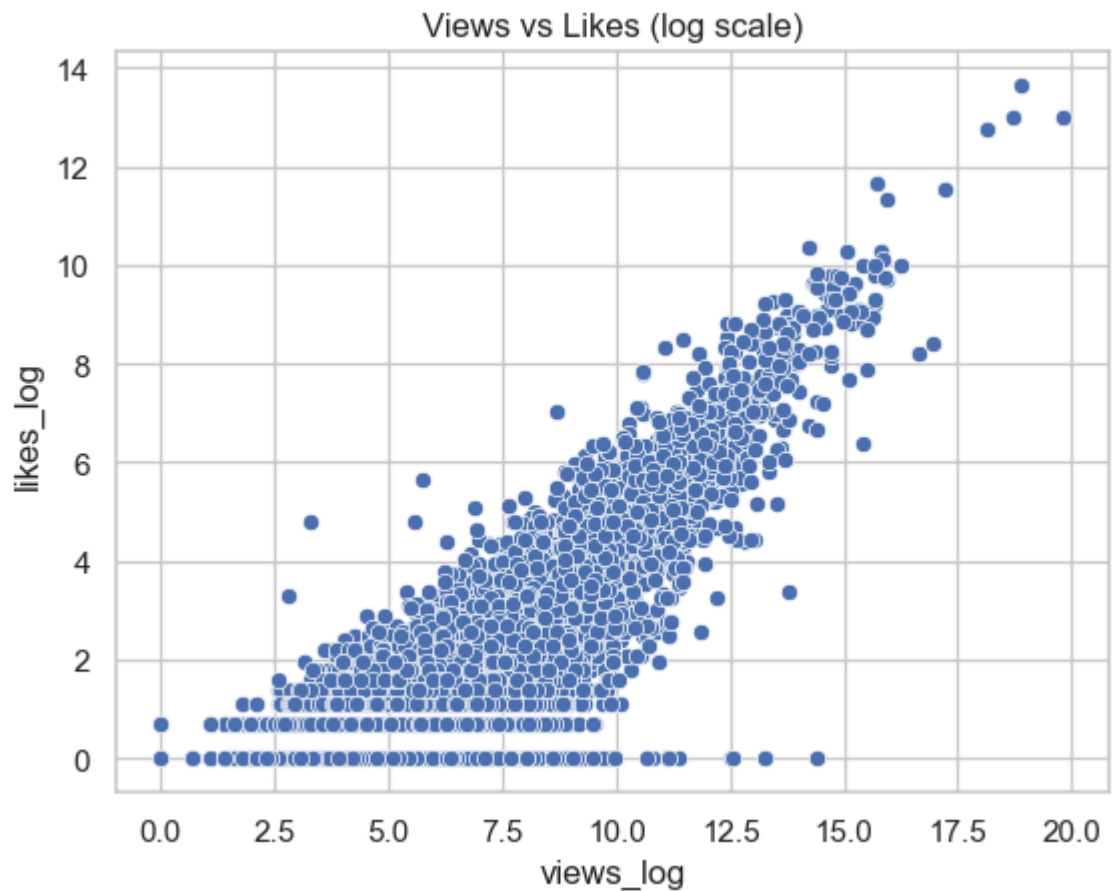
In [267]: *# Numeric vs Numeric*

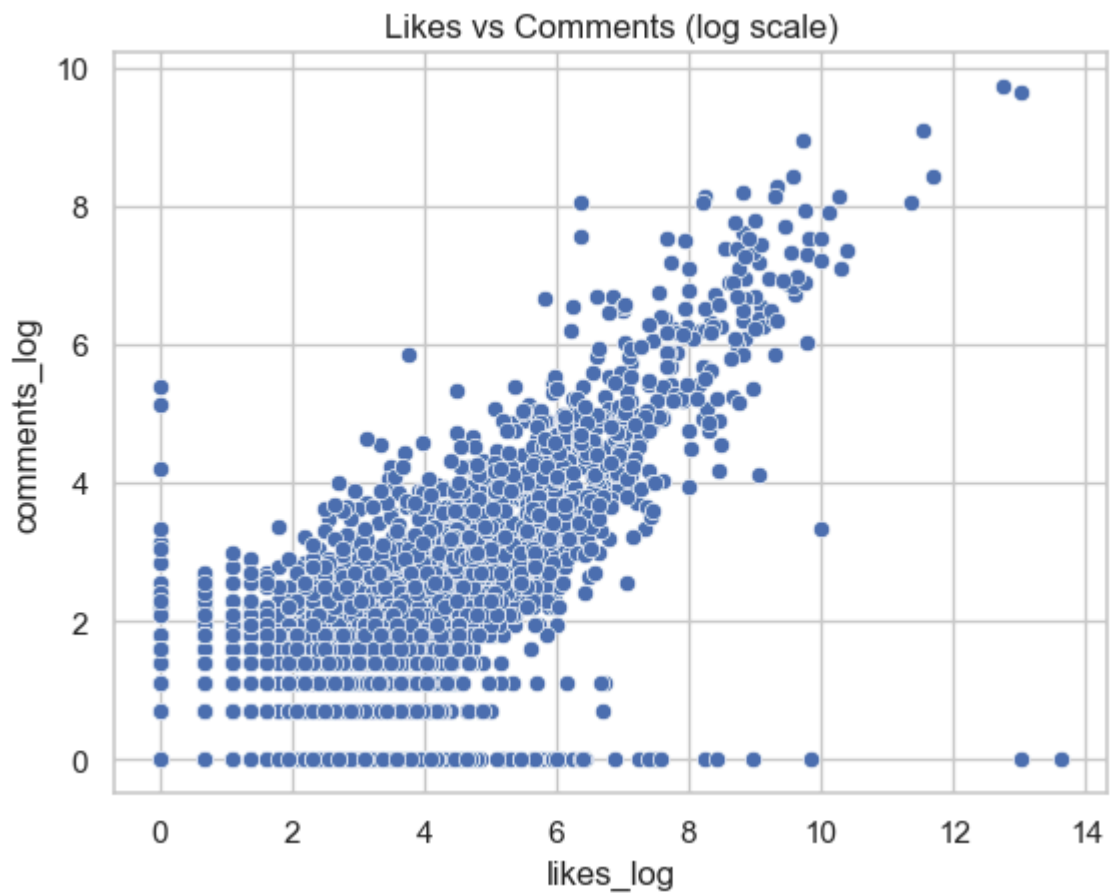
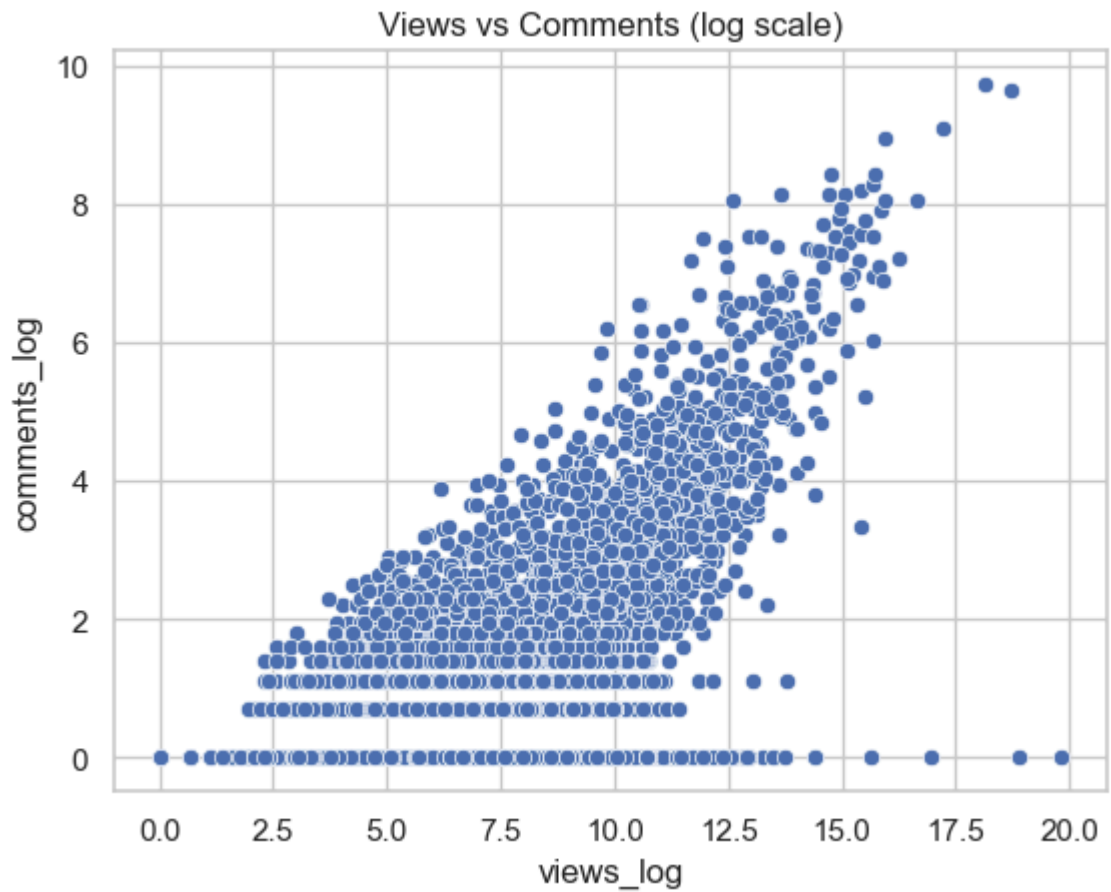
Scatterplots

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sns.scatterplot(x='views_log', y='likes_log', data=df1)
plt.title("Views vs Likes (log scale)")
plt.show()
```

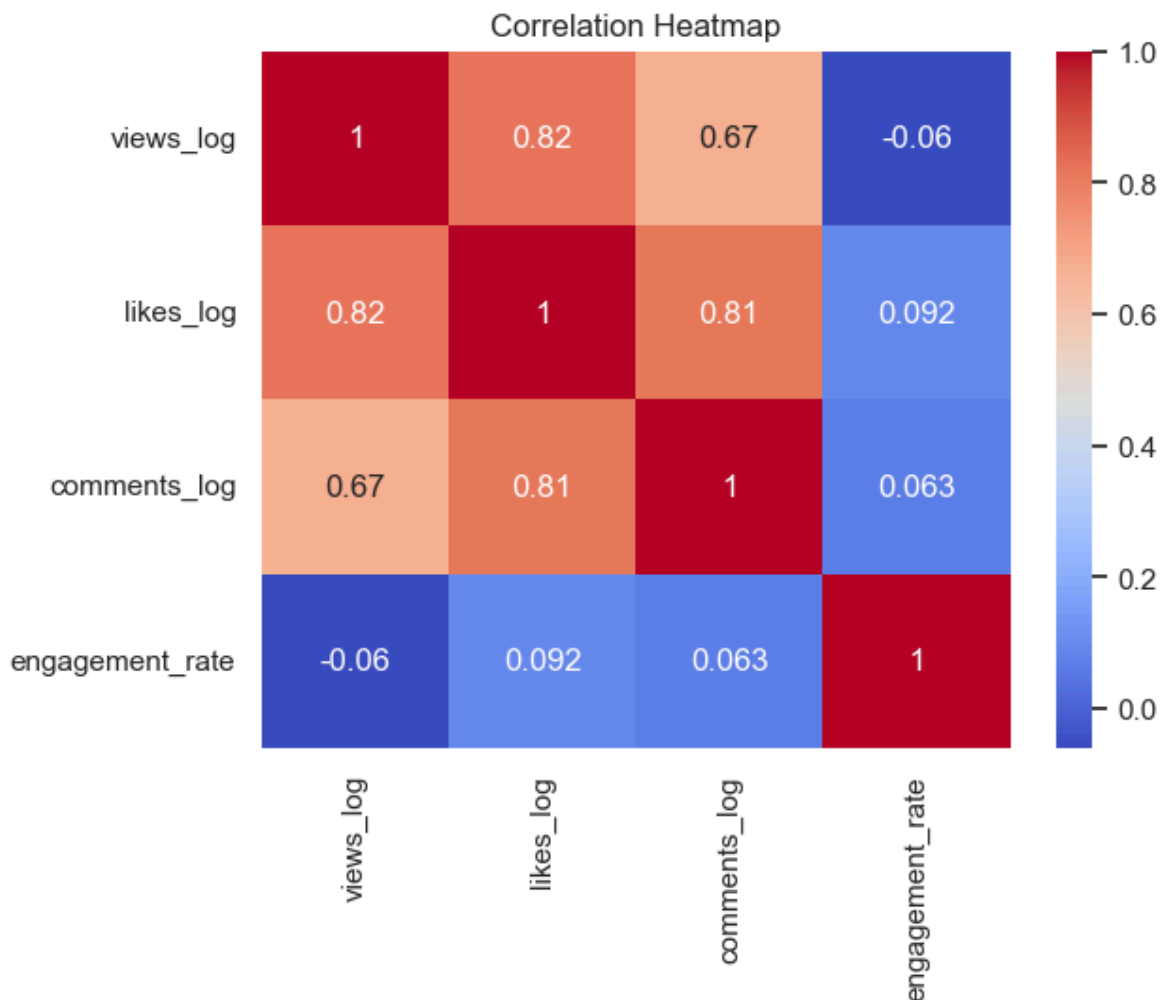
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sns.scatterplot(x='views_log', y='comments_log', data=df1)
plt.title("Views vs Comments (log scale)")
plt.show()
```

```
sns.scatterplot(x='likes_log', y='comments_log', data=df1)
plt.title("Likes vs Comments (log scale)")
plt.show()
```





```
In [268]: #Correlation heatmap
corr = df1[['views_log', 'likes_log', 'comments_log', 'engagement_rate']].corr()
sns.heatmap(corr, annot=True, cmap="coolwarm")
plt.title("Correlation Heatmap")
plt.show()
```



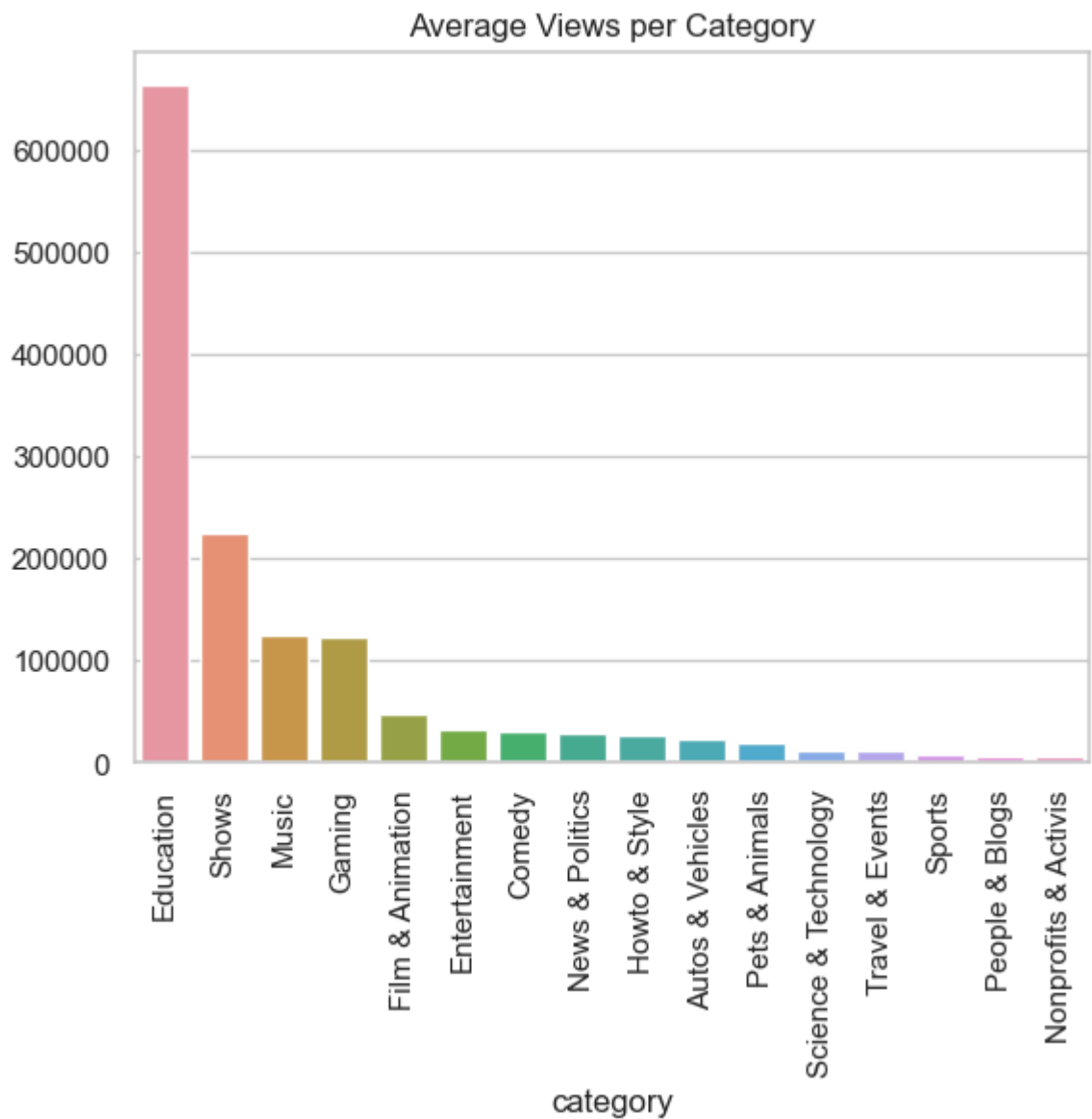
In [269]: *#Numeric vs Categorical*

#Average metrics by category

```
print(df1.groupby('category')[['views', 'likes', 'comments', 'engagement_rate']])
```

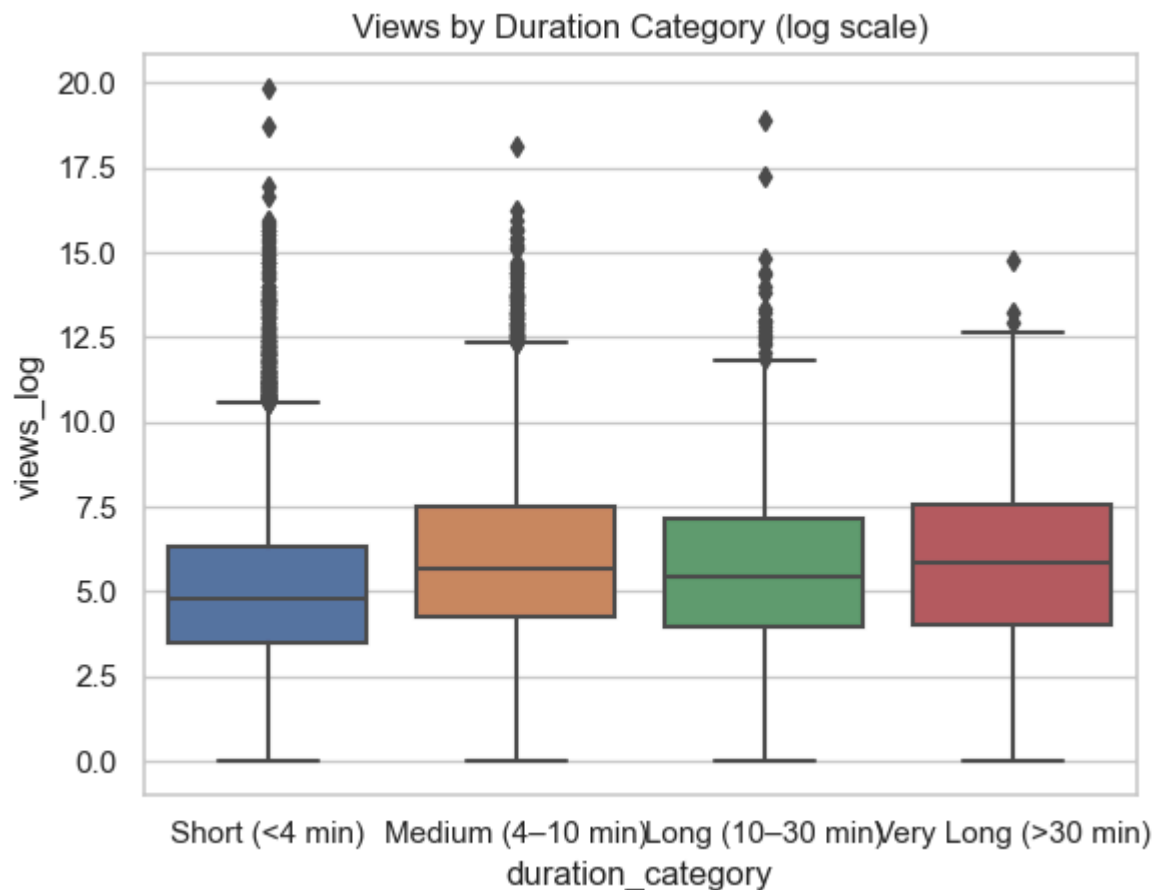
	views	likes	comments	engagement_rat
Education	663729.860248	784.610248	11.486025	0.00792
Shows	225471.166667	1415.944444	149.388889	0.01292
Music	124192.198584	481.927512	30.202967	0.01017
Gaming	122576.726761	639.076761	14.510563	0.03091
Film & Animation	48051.843271	205.245315	25.434412	0.01024
Entertainment	32320.801066	56.501332	10.628330	0.00954
Comedy	30404.028912	84.113095	10.196429	0.01093
News & Politics	28173.963836	240.823899	33.011006	0.00643
Howto & Style	27069.094118	104.464706	11.052941	0.00998
Autos & Vehicles	23199.025063	35.755639	5.822055	0.00465
Pets & Animals	18896.285714	57.535714	6.659664	0.00692
Science & Technology	12295.575972	27.840989	4.310954	0.00636
Travel & Events	11664.855932	27.800000	3.310169	0.00675
Sports	8643.694309	29.985366	6.242276	0.00595
People & Blogs	6344.416878	36.394070	2.824126	0.01084
Nonprofits & Activis	5698.700441	44.096916	5.255507	0.00782

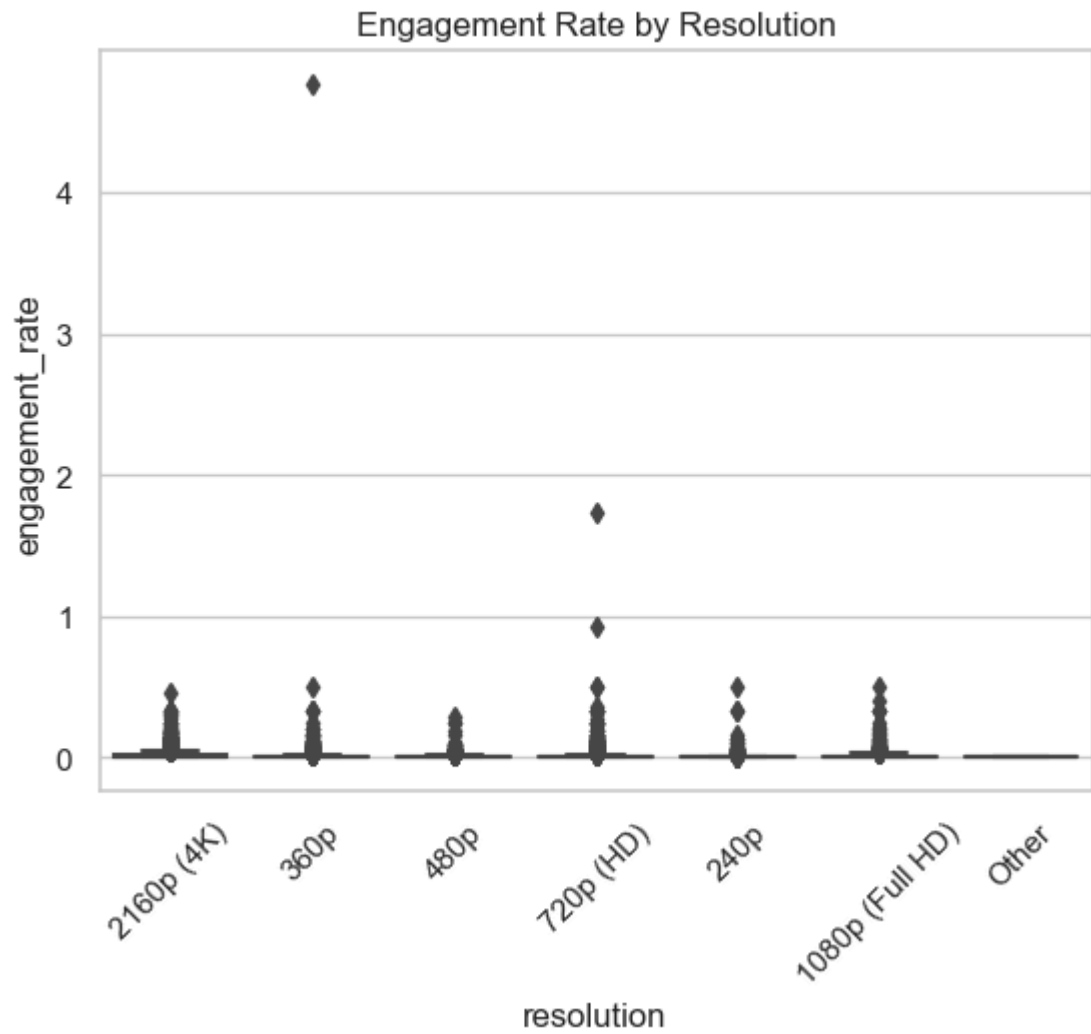
```
In [270]: #Barplot of avg views by category
cat_means = df1.groupby('category')['views'].mean().sort_values(ascending=False)
sns.barplot(x=cat_means.index, y=cat_means.values)
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
plt.title("Average Views per Category")
plt.show()
```




```
In [271]: #Boxplots
sns.boxplot(x='duration_category', y='views_log', data=df1)
plt.title("Views by Duration Category (log scale)")
plt.show()

sns.boxplot(x='resolution', y='engagement_rate', data=df1)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.title("Engagement Rate by Resolution")
plt.show()
```





In [272]: *#Categorical vs Categorical*

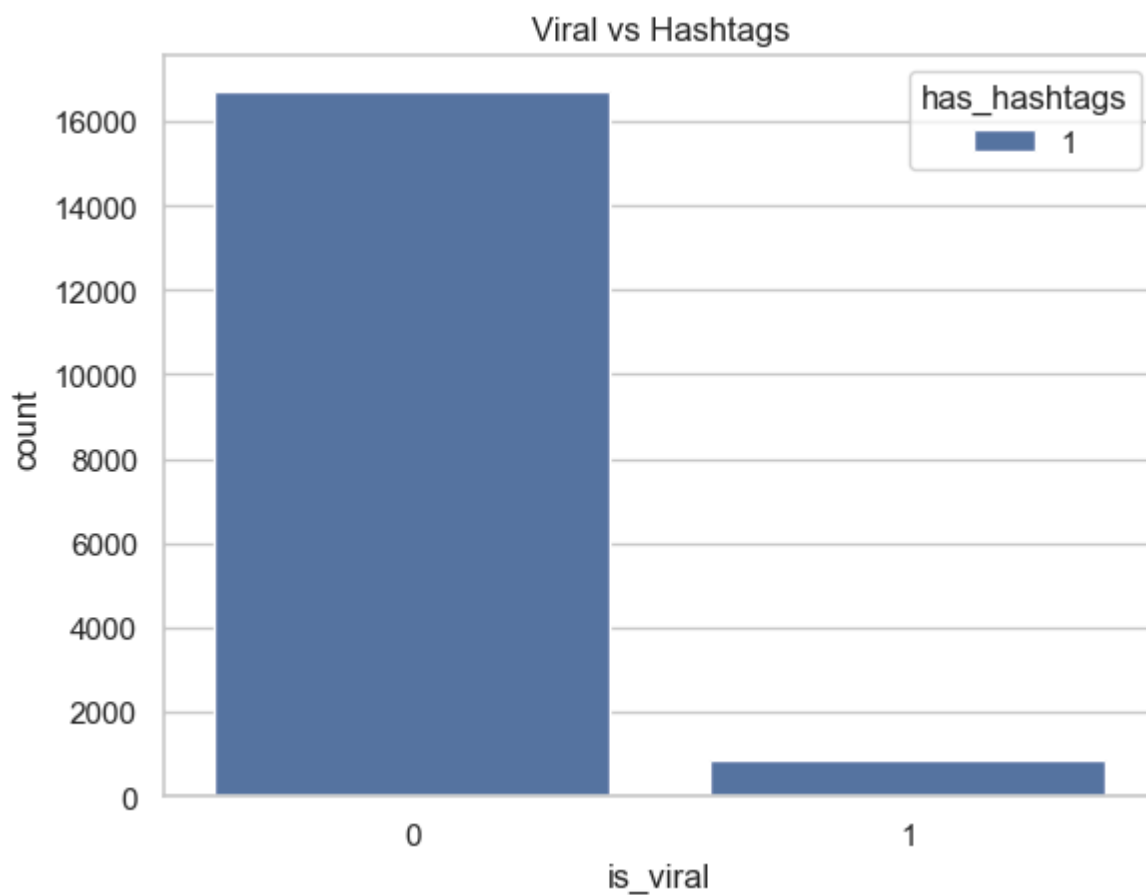
#Viral flag vs Has Hashtags

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cross_tab = pd.crosstab(df1['is_viral'], df1['has_hashtags'])  
print(cross_tab)
```

#countplot

```
sns.countplot(x='is_viral', hue='has_hashtags', data=df1)  
plt.title("Viral vs Hashtags")  
plt.show()
```

is_viral	has_hashtags	count
0	1	16709
1	1	880

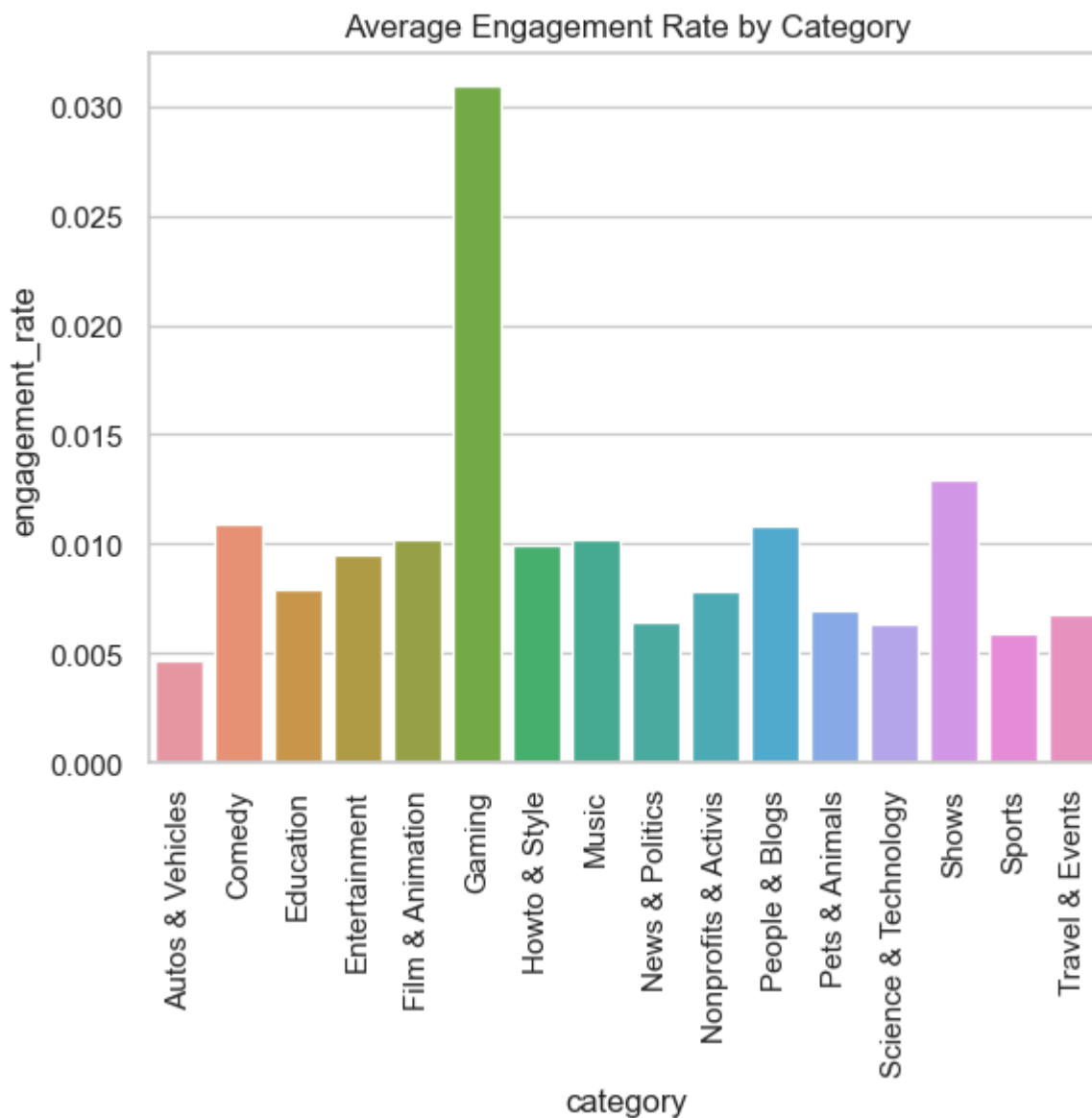


Segmentation Analysis

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In [273]: #Engagement by Category
category_engagement = df1.groupby('category')['engagement_rate'].mean().reset_
print(category_engagement)
```

	category	engagement_rate
0	Autos & Vehicles	0.004658
1	Comedy	0.010936
2	Education	0.007920
3	Entertainment	0.009542
4	Film & Animation	0.010249
5	Gaming	0.030912
6	Howto & Style	0.009989
7	Music	0.010171
8	News & Politics	0.006438
9	Nonprofits & Activis	0.007820
10	People & Blogs	0.010843
11	Pets & Animals	0.006929
12	Science & Technology	0.006365
13	Shows	0.012924
14	Sports	0.005954
15	Travel & Events	0.006757

```
In [274]: #Bar chart for average engagement
sns.barplot(x='category', y='engagement_rate', data=category_engagement)
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
plt.title("Average Engagement Rate by Category")
plt.show()
```

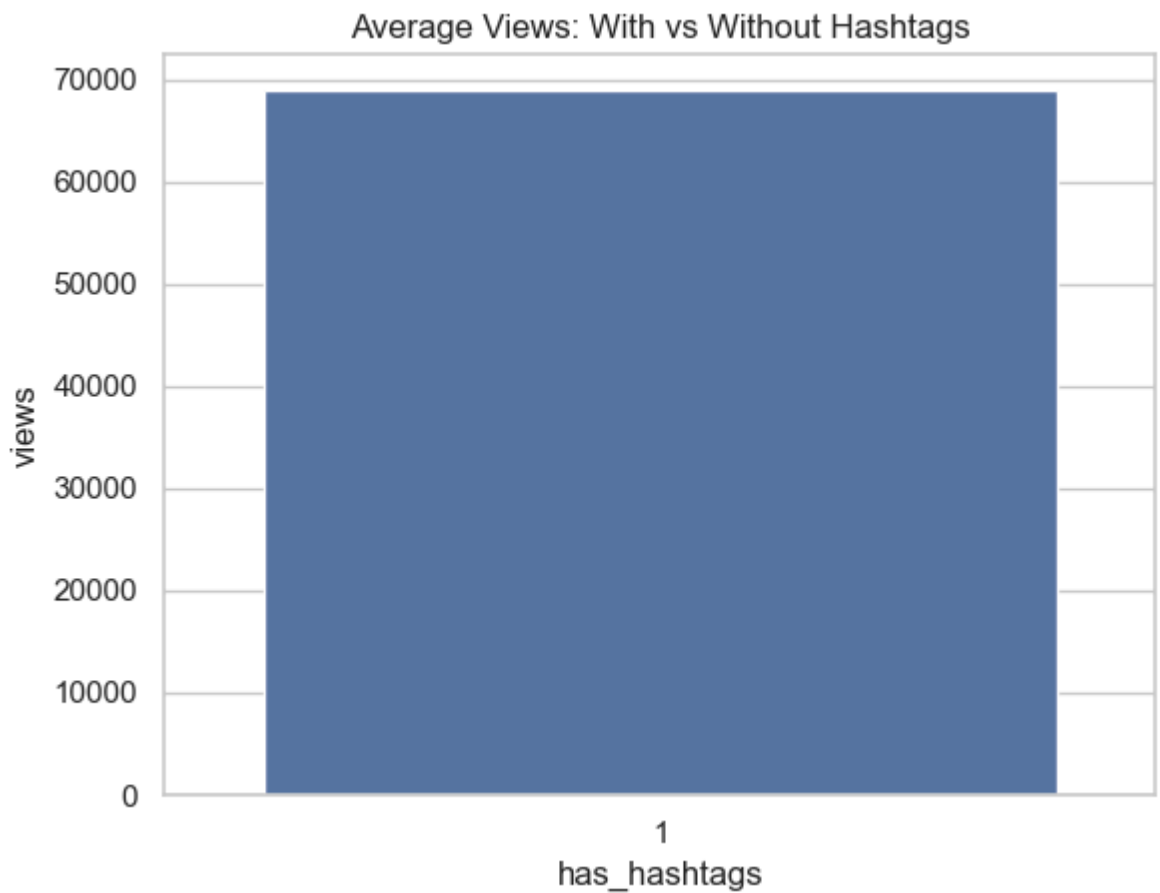


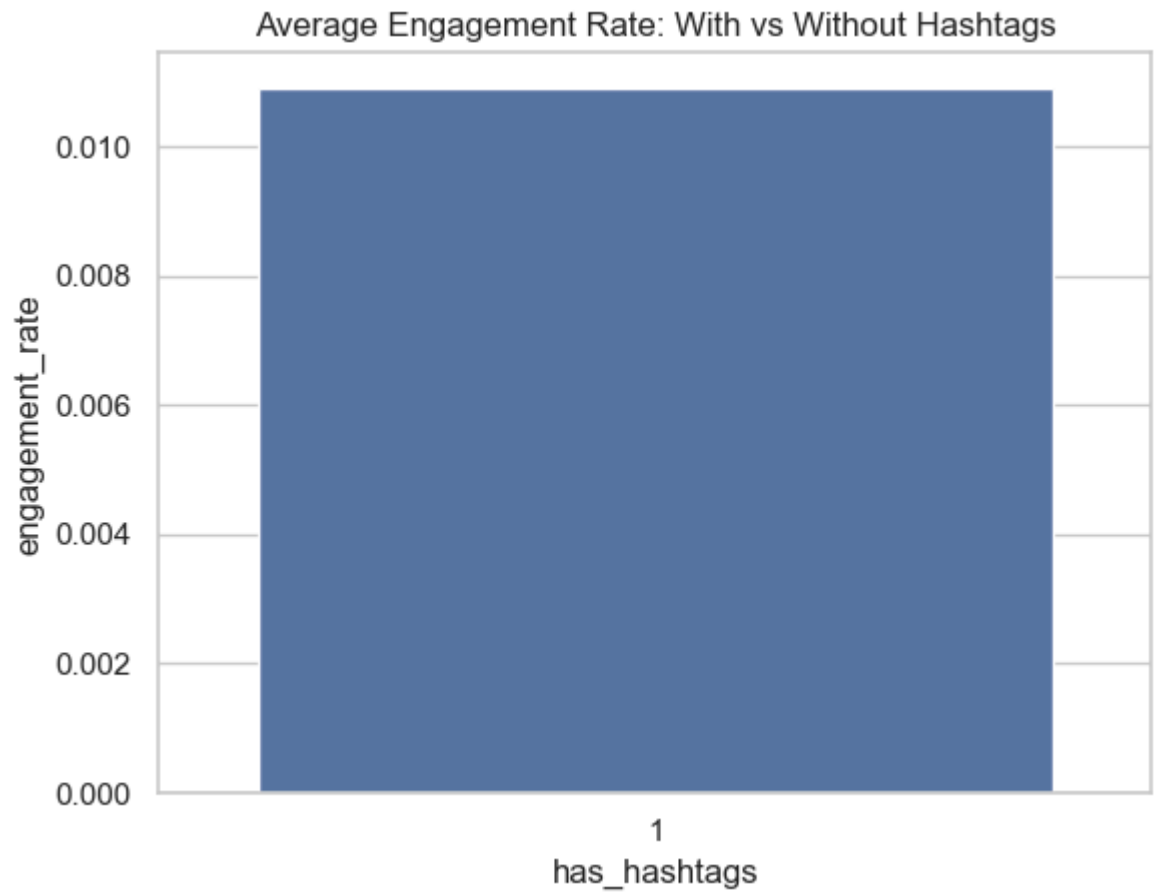
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In [275]: #Hashtag vs No Hashtag performance
hashtag_perf = df1.groupby('has_hashtags')[['views', 'likes', 'comments', 'engagement_rate']]
print(hashtag_perf)

sns.barplot(x='has_hashtags', y='views', data=hashtag_perf)
plt.title("Average Views: With vs Without Hashtags")
plt.show()

sns.barplot(x='has_hashtags', y='engagement_rate', data=hashtag_perf)
plt.title("Average Engagement Rate: With vs Without Hashtags")
plt.show()
```

	has_hashtags	views	likes	comments	engagement_rate
0	1	68941.580306	208.862641	12.899312	0.010913



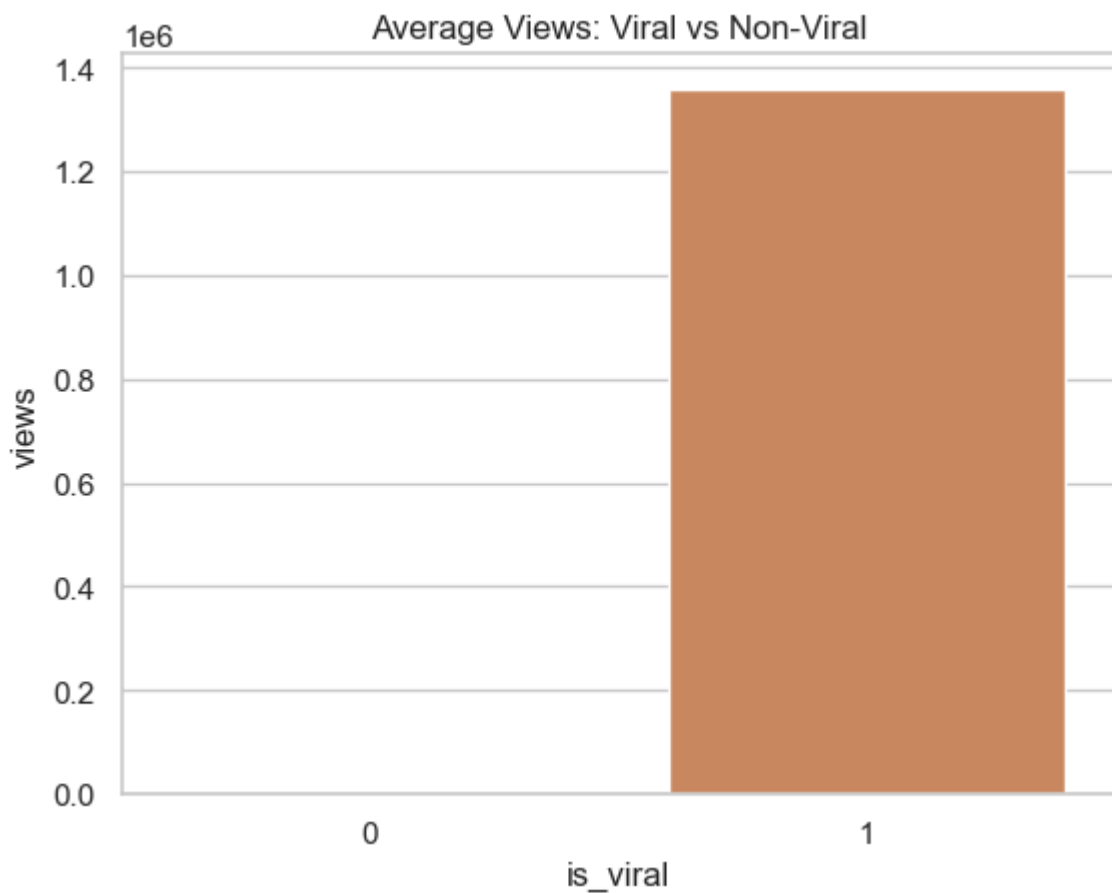


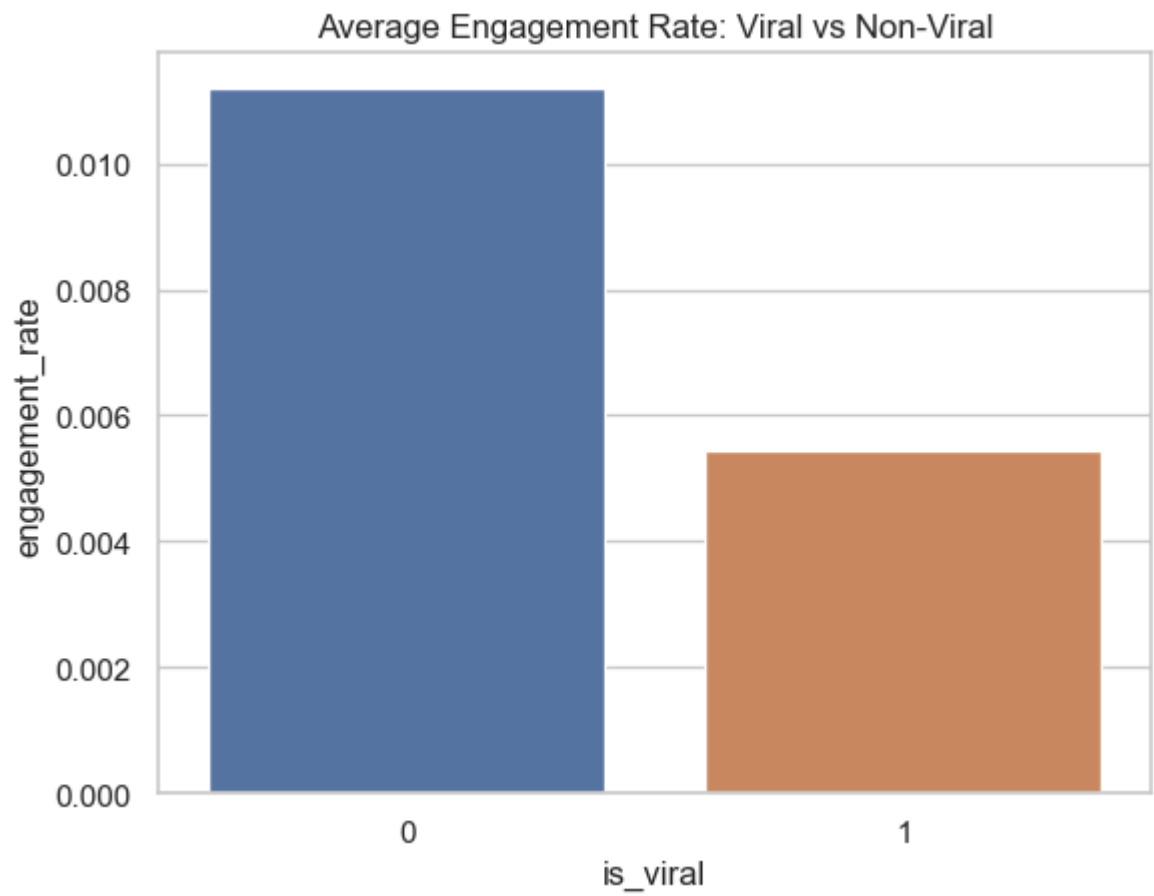
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In [276]: #Viral vs Non-viral content
viral_perf = df1.groupby('is_viral')[['views', 'likes', 'comments', 'engagement_r
print(viral_perf)

sns.barplot(x='is_viral', y='views', data=viral_perf)
plt.title("Average Views: Viral vs Non-Viral")
plt.show()

sns.barplot(x='is_viral', y='engagement_rate', data=viral_perf)
plt.title("Average Engagement Rate: Viral vs Non-Viral")
plt.show()
```

	is_viral	views	likes	comments	engagement_rate
0	0	1.031090e+03	5.538931	1.199413	0.011200
1	1	1.358392e+06	4069.471591	235.051136	0.005449





Correlation Analysis

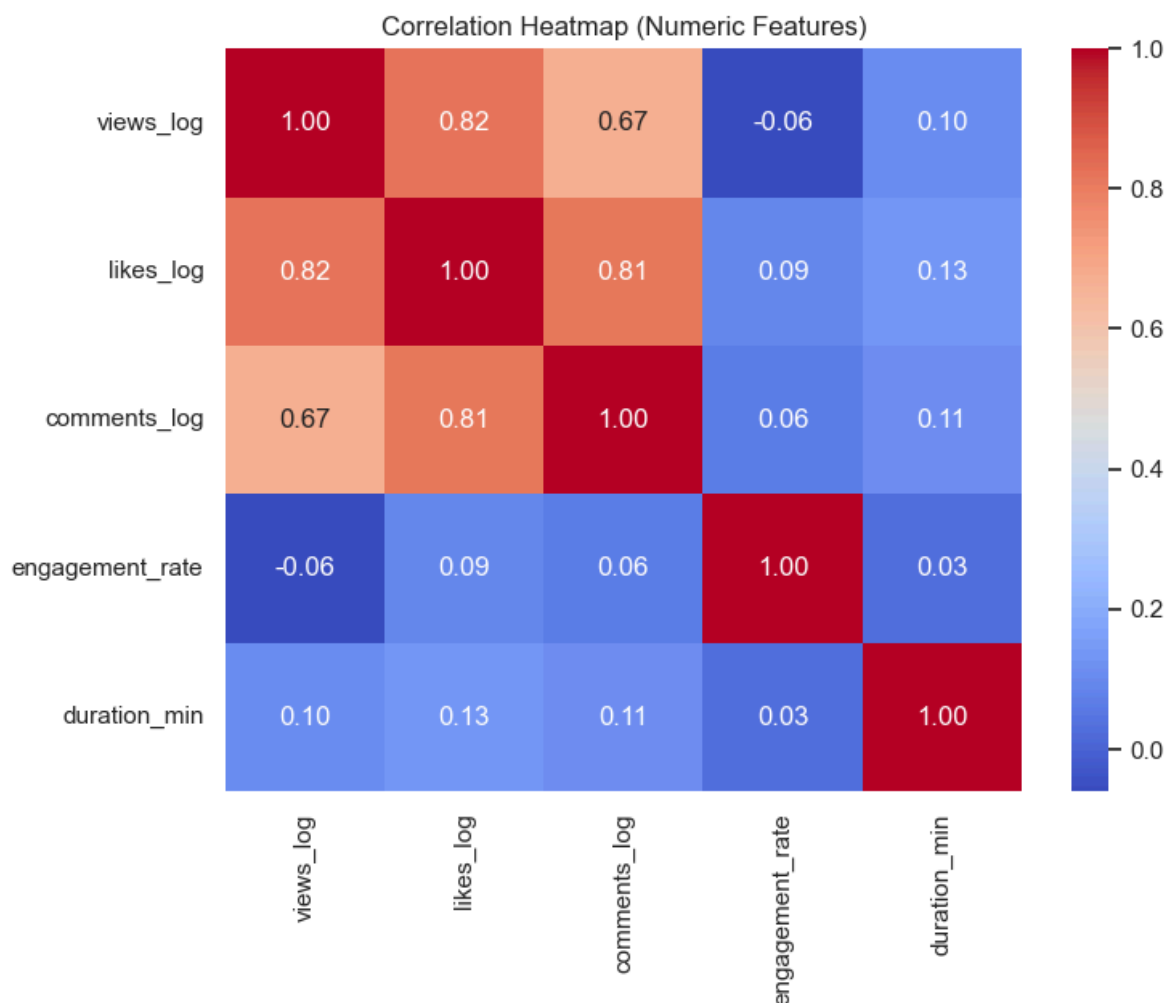
```
In [277]: #Numeric features for correlation
num_cols = ['views_log', 'likes_log', 'comments_log', 'engagement_rate', 'duration_min']

#Correlation matrix
corr_matrix = df1[num_cols].corr()
print(corr_matrix)

#Heatmap visualization
plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
sns.heatmap(corr_matrix, annot=True, cmap="coolwarm", fmt=".2f")
plt.title("Correlation Heatmap (Numeric Features)")
plt.show()
```

	views_log	likes_log	comments_log	engagement_rate \
views_log	1.000000	0.819252	0.672459	-0.060339
likes_log	0.819252	1.000000	0.814353	0.091702
comments_log	0.672459	0.814353	1.000000	0.063125
engagement_rate	-0.060339	0.091702	0.063125	1.000000
duration_min	0.104414	0.127845	0.110677	0.025439

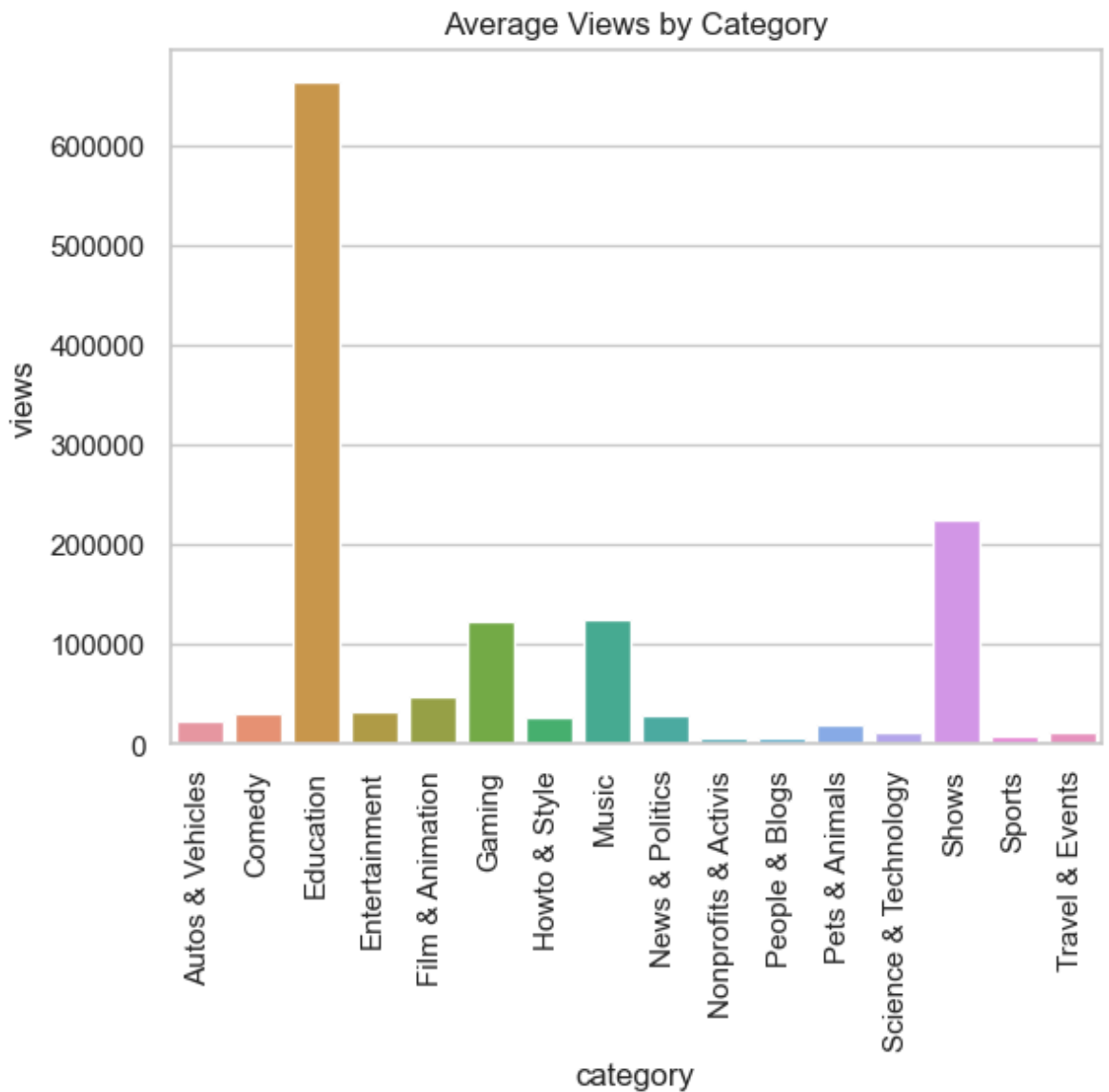
	duration_min
views_log	0.104414
likes_log	0.127845
comments_log	0.110677
engagement_rate	0.025439
duration_min	1.000000



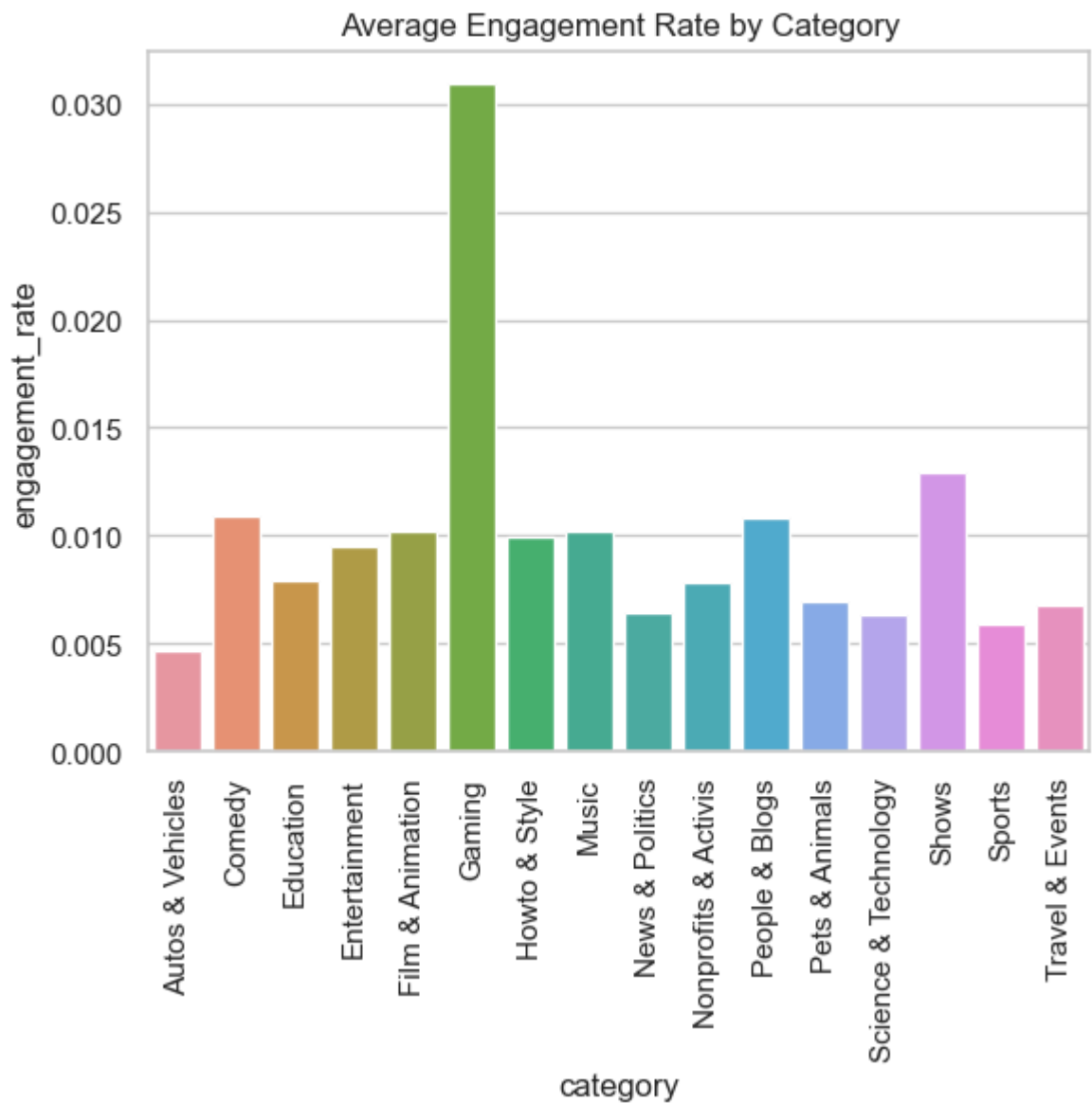
Data Visualization

1. Which video categories receive the highest engagement?

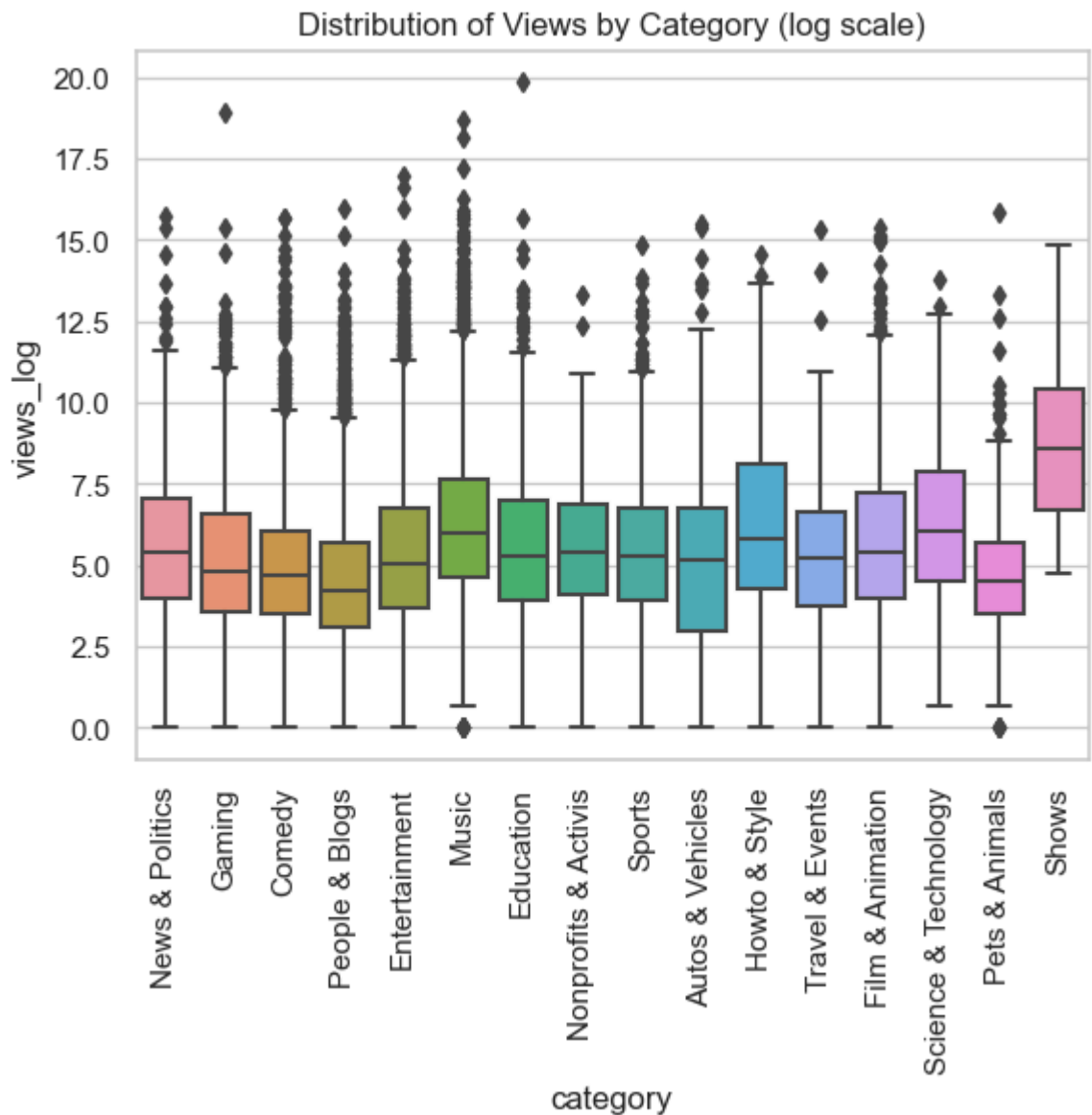
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In [278]: #Average Views by Category
avg_views = df1.groupby('category')['views'].mean().reset_index()
sns.barplot(x='category', y='views', data=avg_views)
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
plt.title("Average Views by Category")
plt.show()
```



```
In [279]: #Average Engagement Rate by Category
avg_engagement = df1.groupby('category')['engagement_rate'].mean().reset_index()
sns.barplot(x='category', y='engagement_rate', data=avg_engagement)
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
plt.title("Average Engagement Rate by Category")
plt.show()
```

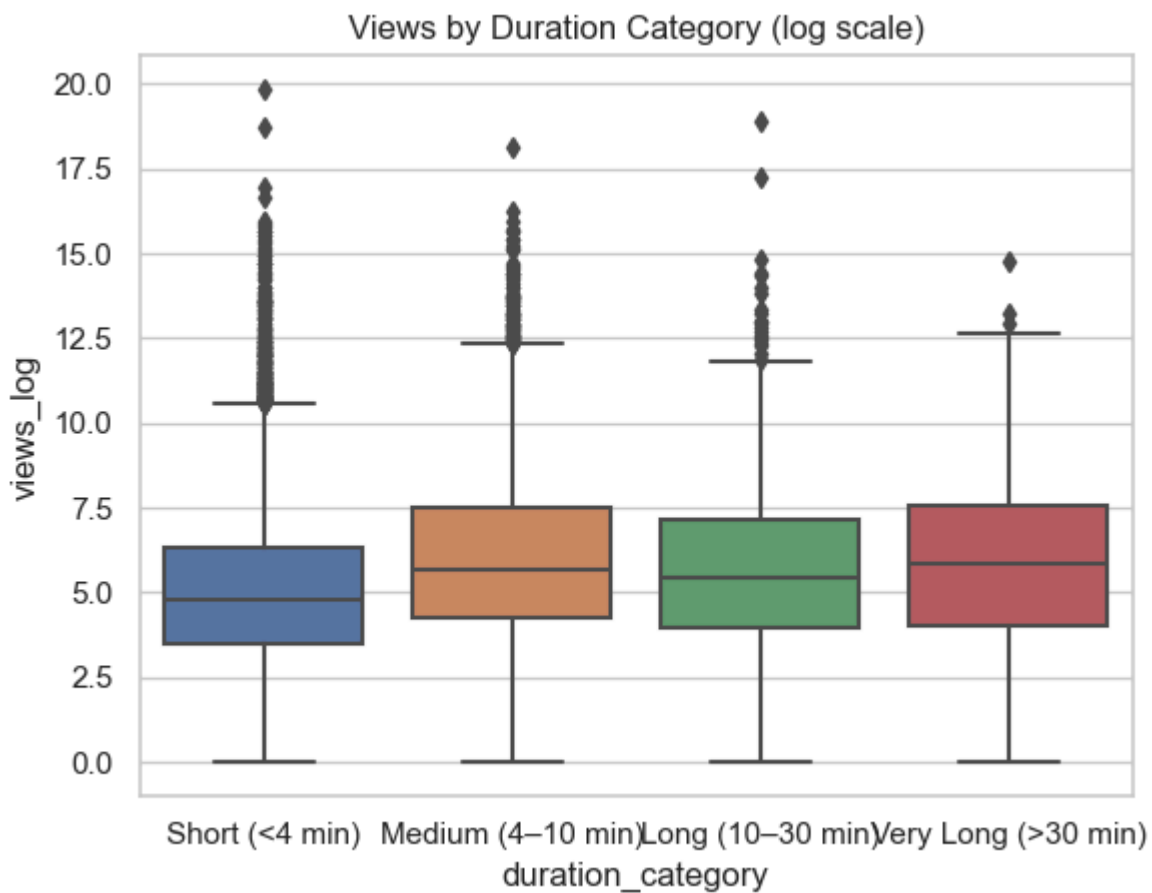


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In [280]: #Distribution of Views by Category (boxplot)
sns.boxplot(x='category', y='views_log', data=df1)
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
plt.title("Distribution of Views by Category (log scale)")
plt.show()
```

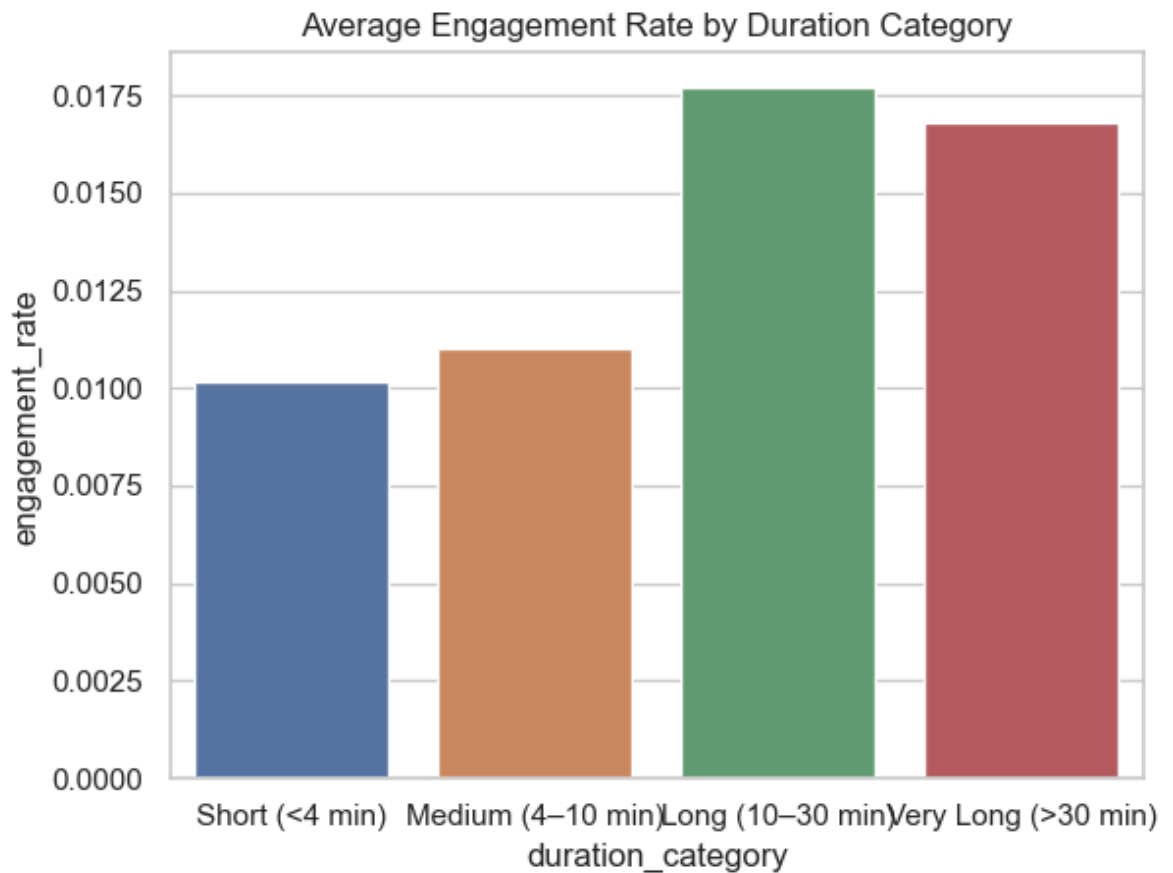


2. Does video duration or resolution influence engagement?

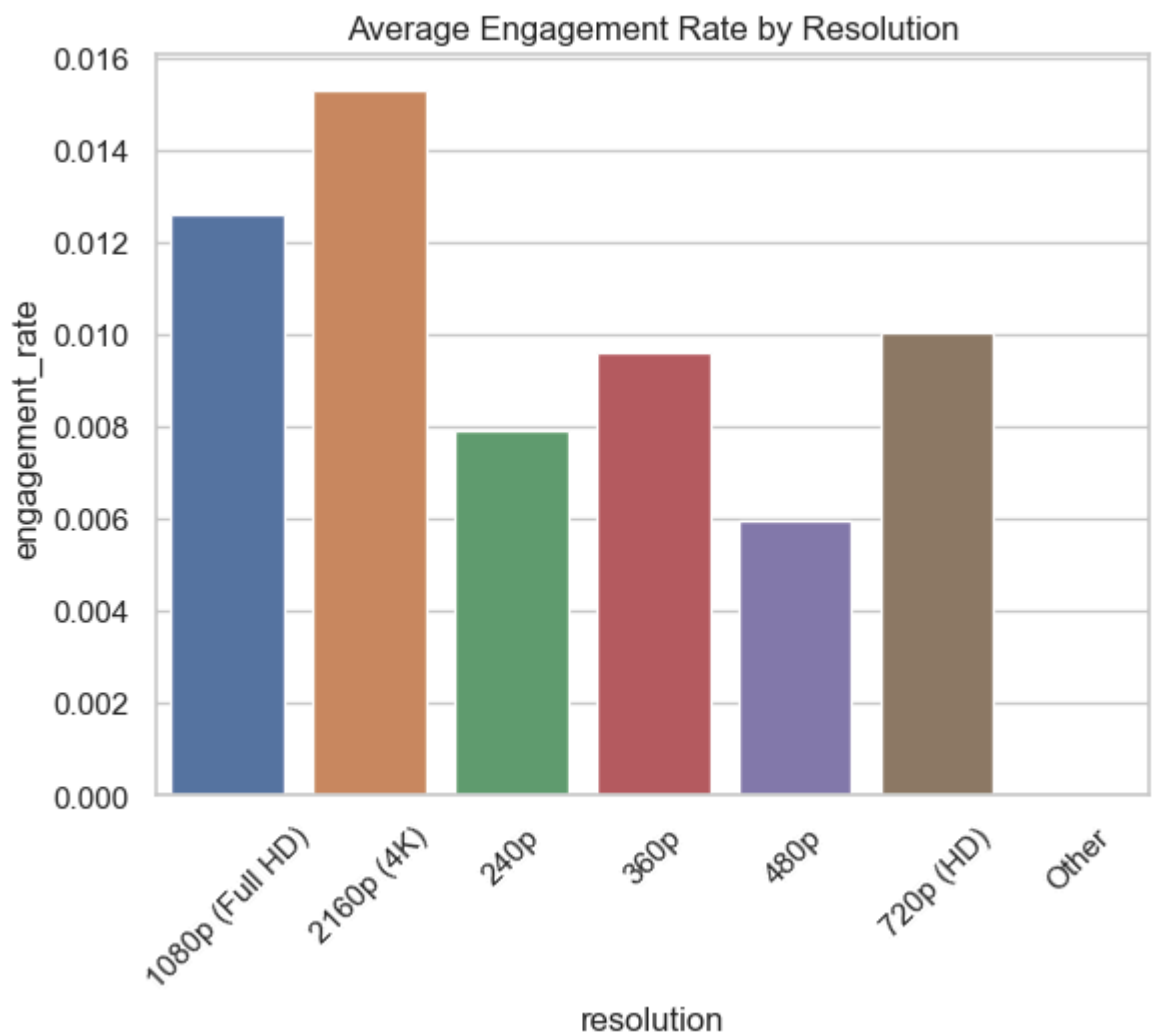
```
In [281]: #Views by Duration Category (boxplot)
sns.boxplot(x='duration_category', y='views_log', data=df1)
plt.title("Views by Duration Category (log scale)")
plt.show()
```



```
In [282]: #Engagement Rate by Duration Category
avg_duration_eng = df1.groupby('duration_category')['engagement_rate'].mean().
sns.barplot(x='duration_category', y='engagement_rate', data=avg_duration_eng)
plt.title("Average Engagement Rate by Duration Category")
plt.show()
```

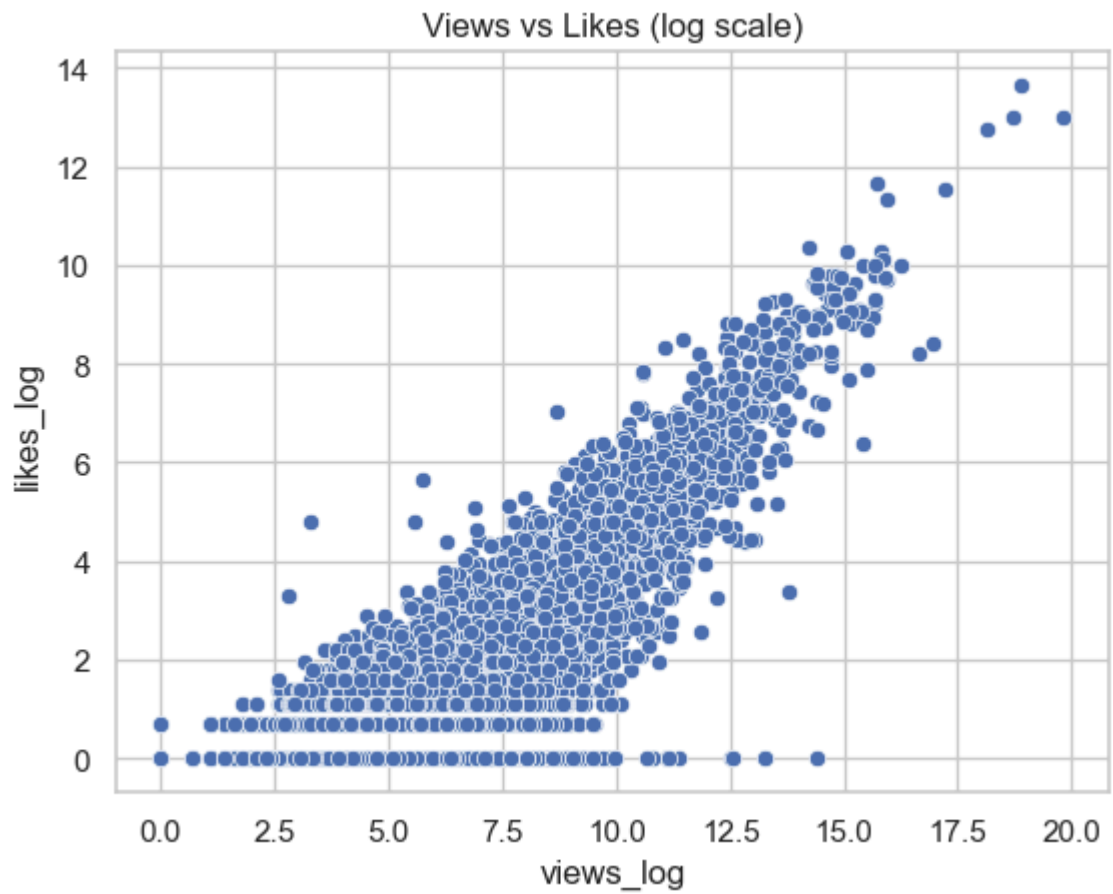


```
In [283]: #Engagement Rate by Resolution
avg_res_eng = df1.groupby('resolution')['engagement_rate'].mean().reset_index()
sns.barplot(x='resolution', y='engagement_rate', data=avg_res_eng)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.title("Average Engagement Rate by Resolution")
plt.show()
```

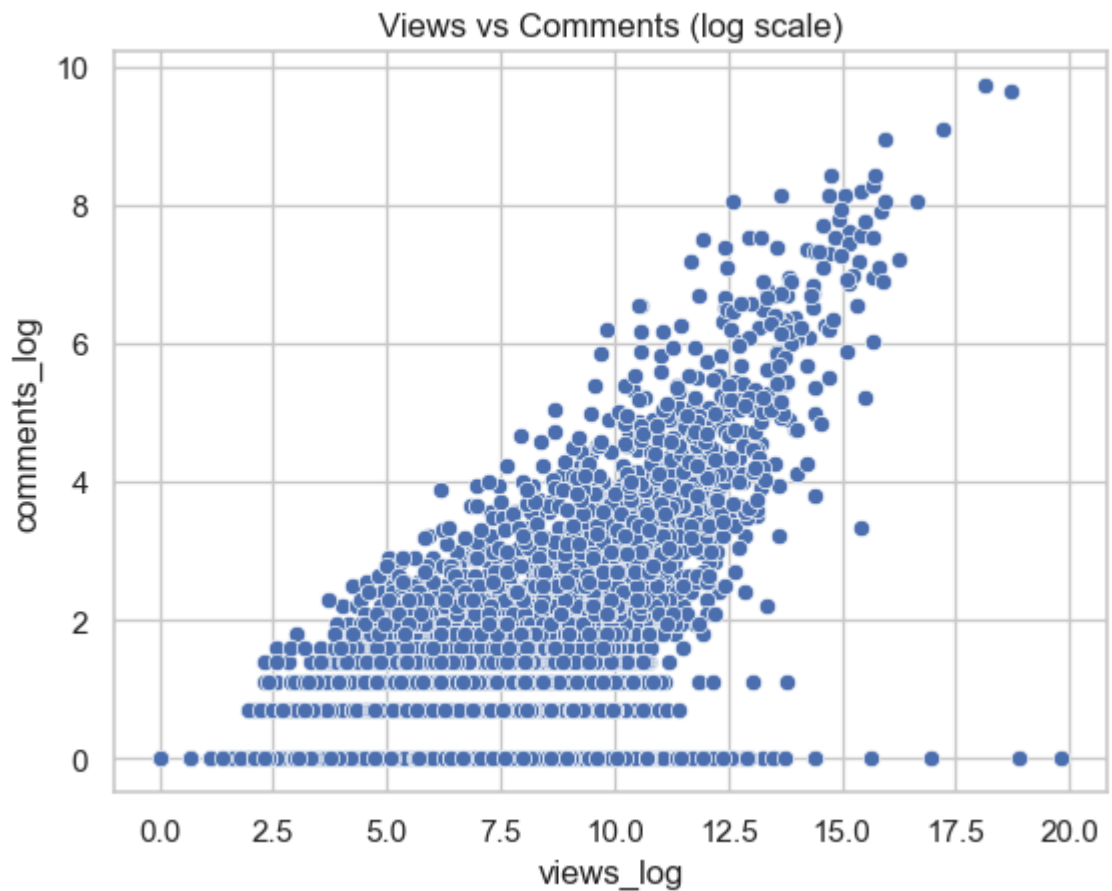


3. Predicting Video Popularity

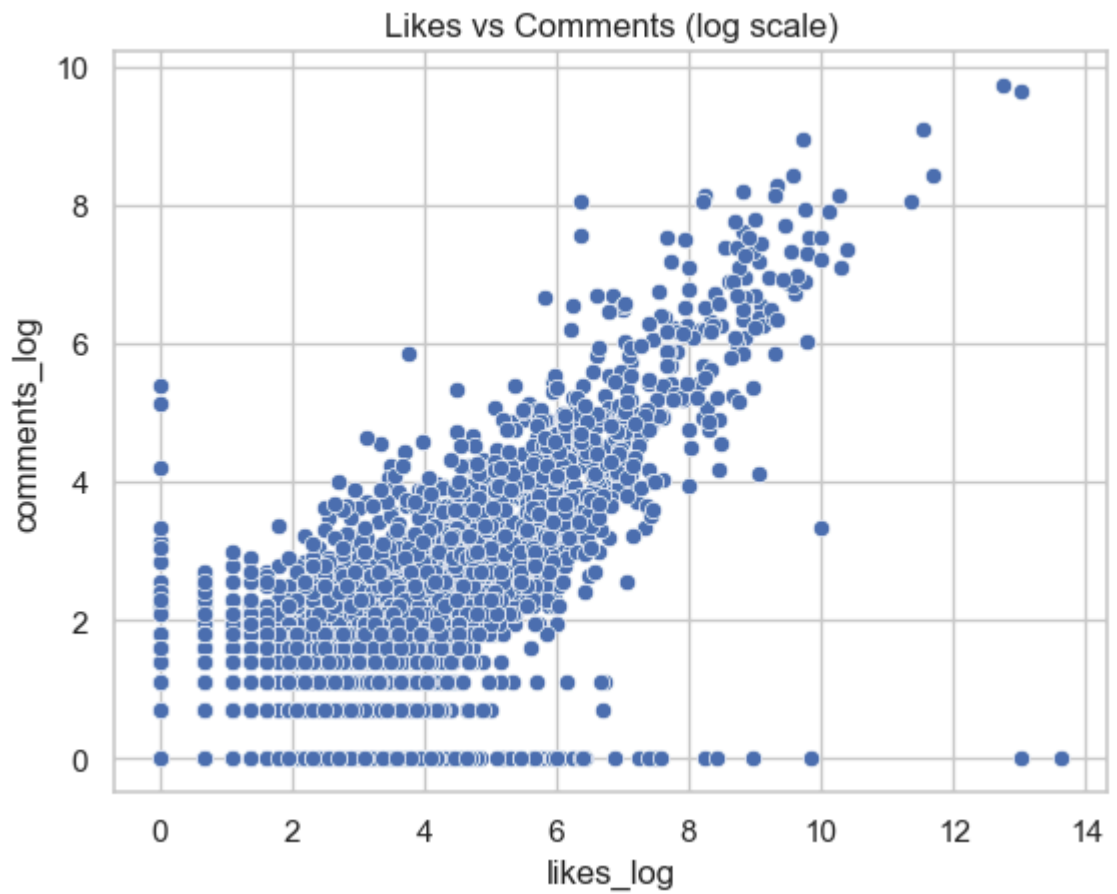

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In [284]: #Views vs Likes
sns.scatterplot(x='views_log', y='likes_log', data=df1)
plt.title("Views vs Likes (log scale)")
plt.show()
```



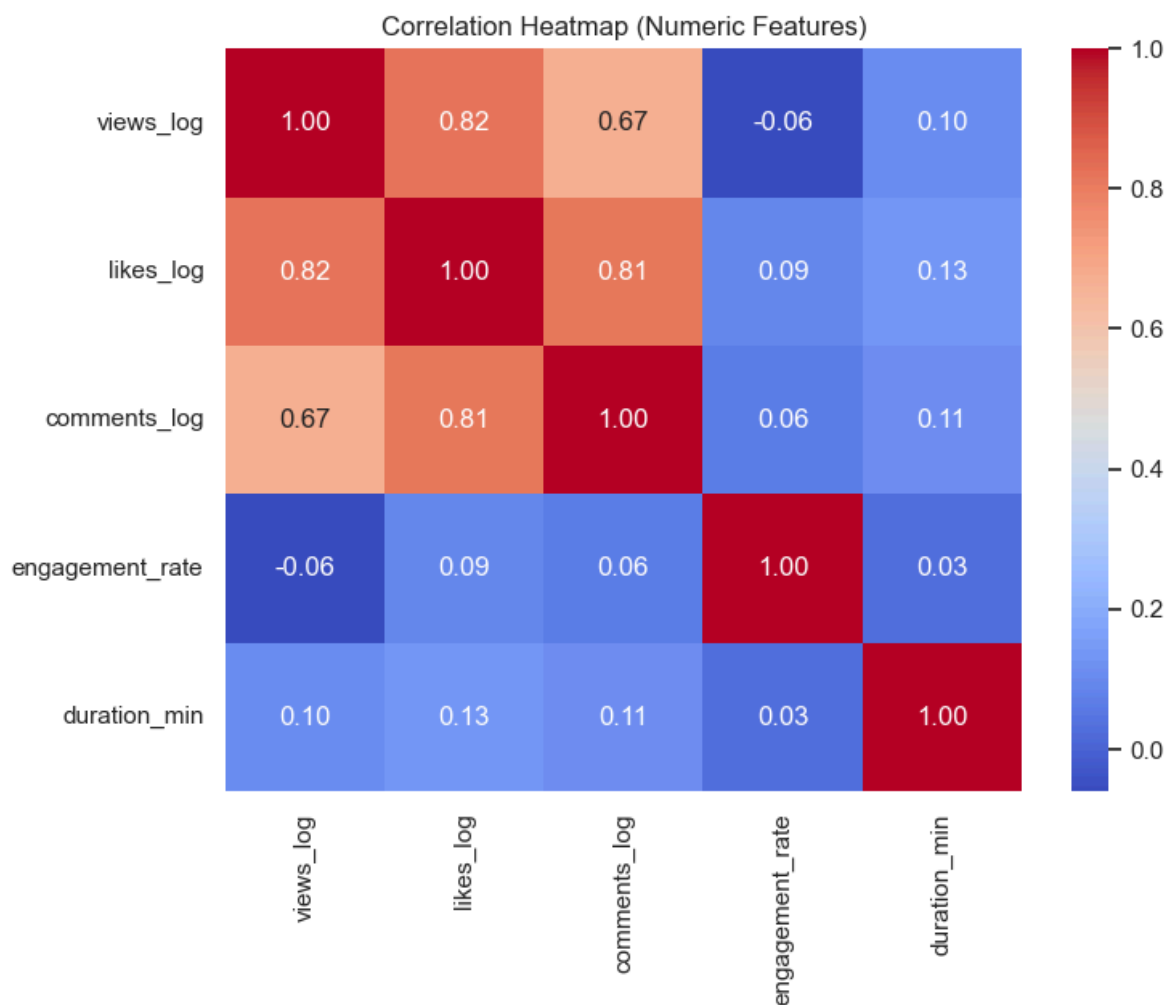
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In [285]: #Views vs Comments
sns.scatterplot(x='views_log', y='comments_log', data=df1)
plt.title("Views vs Comments (log scale)")
plt.show()
```



```
In [286]: #Likes vs Comments
sns.scatterplot(x='likes_log', y='comments_log', data=df1)
plt.title("Likes vs Comments (log scale)")
plt.show()
```



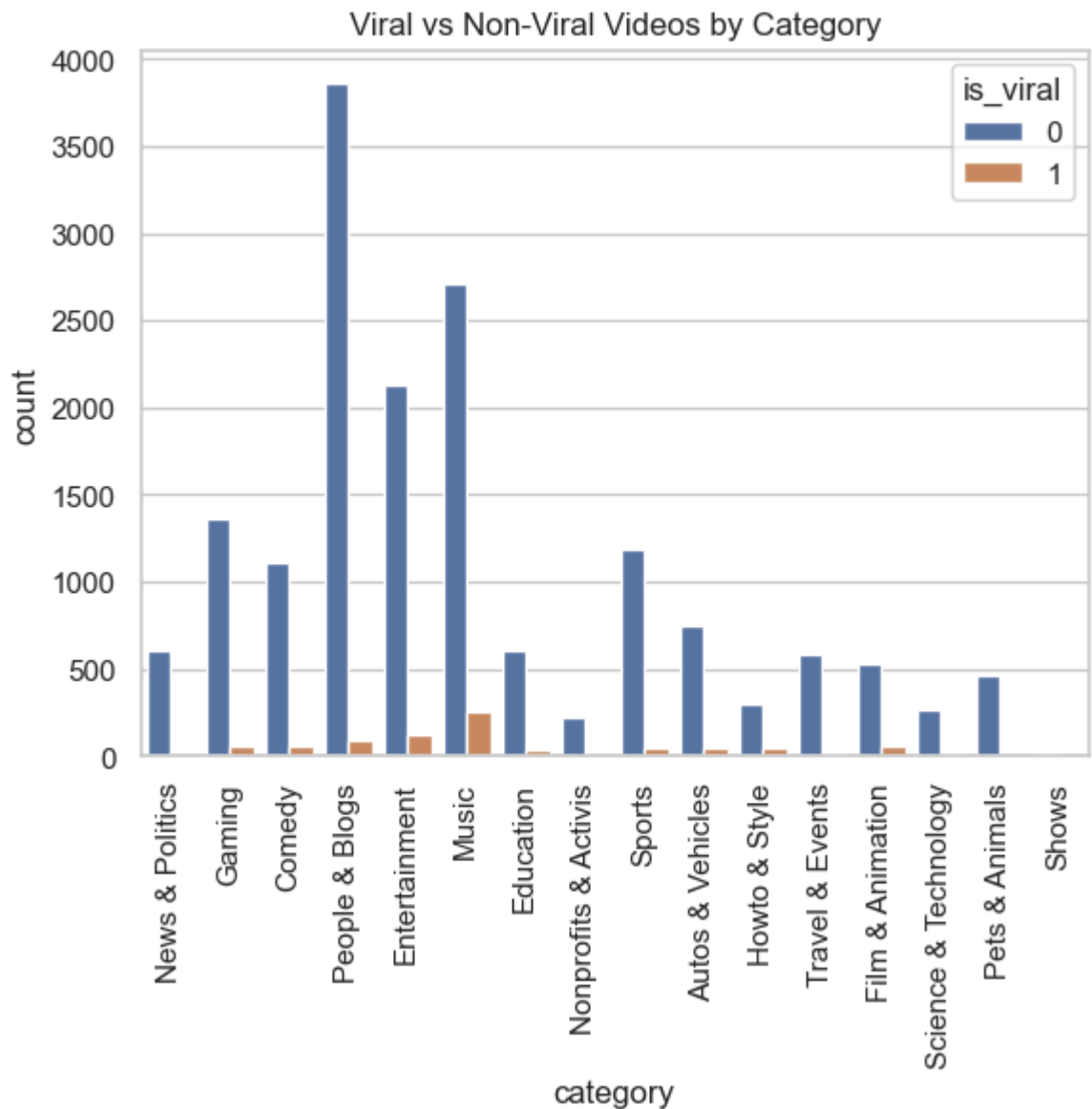
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In [287]: #Correlation Heatmap
num_cols = ['views_log', 'likes_log', 'comments_log', 'engagement_rate', 'duration_min']
plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
sns.heatmap(corr_matrix, annot=True, cmap="coolwarm", fmt=".2f")
plt.title("Correlation Heatmap (Numeric Features)")
plt.show()
```



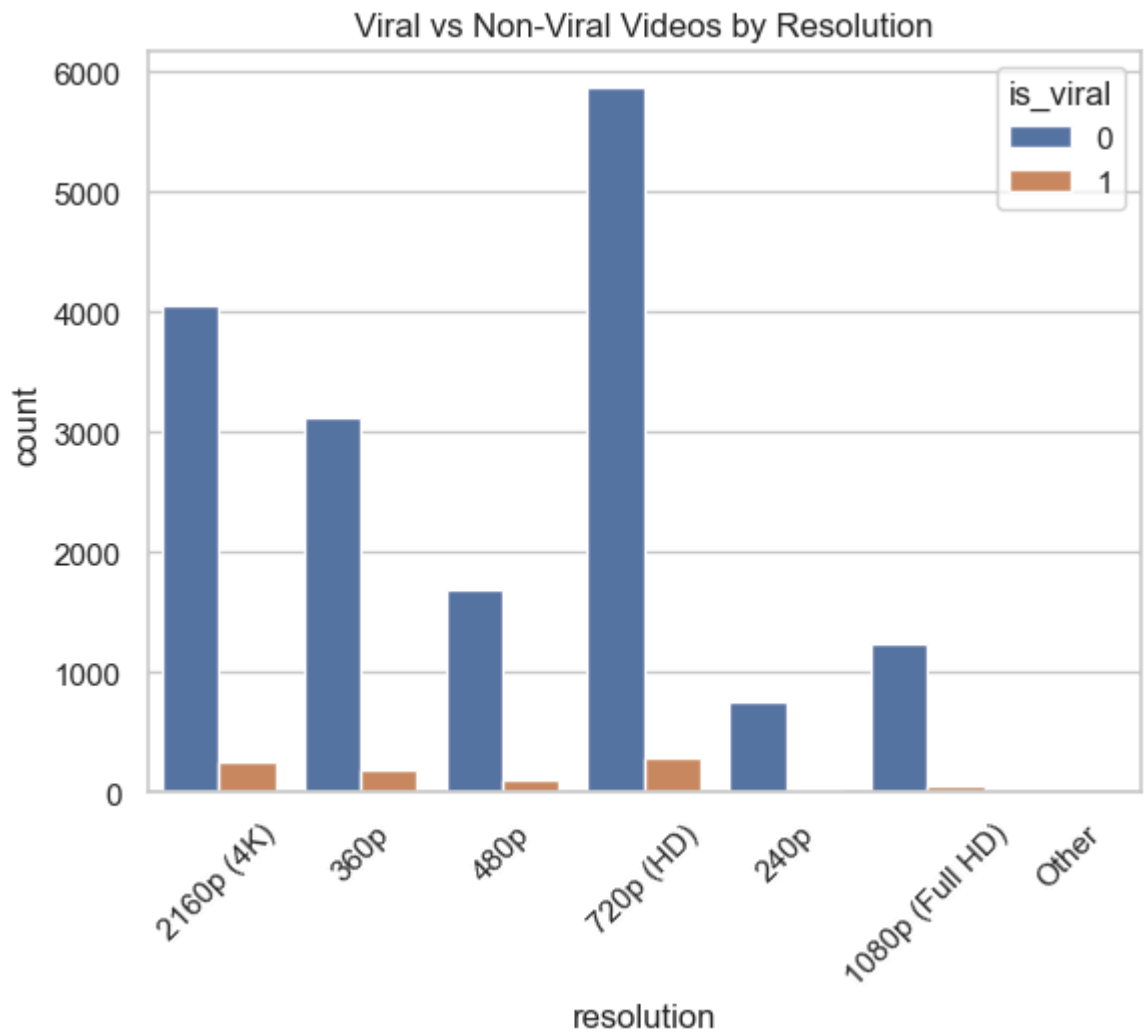
In [288]: *#Viral Content Distribution*

#Viral vs Non-Viral by Category

```
sns.countplot(x='category', hue='is_viral', data=df1)
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
plt.title("Viral vs Non-Viral Videos by Category")
plt.show()
```

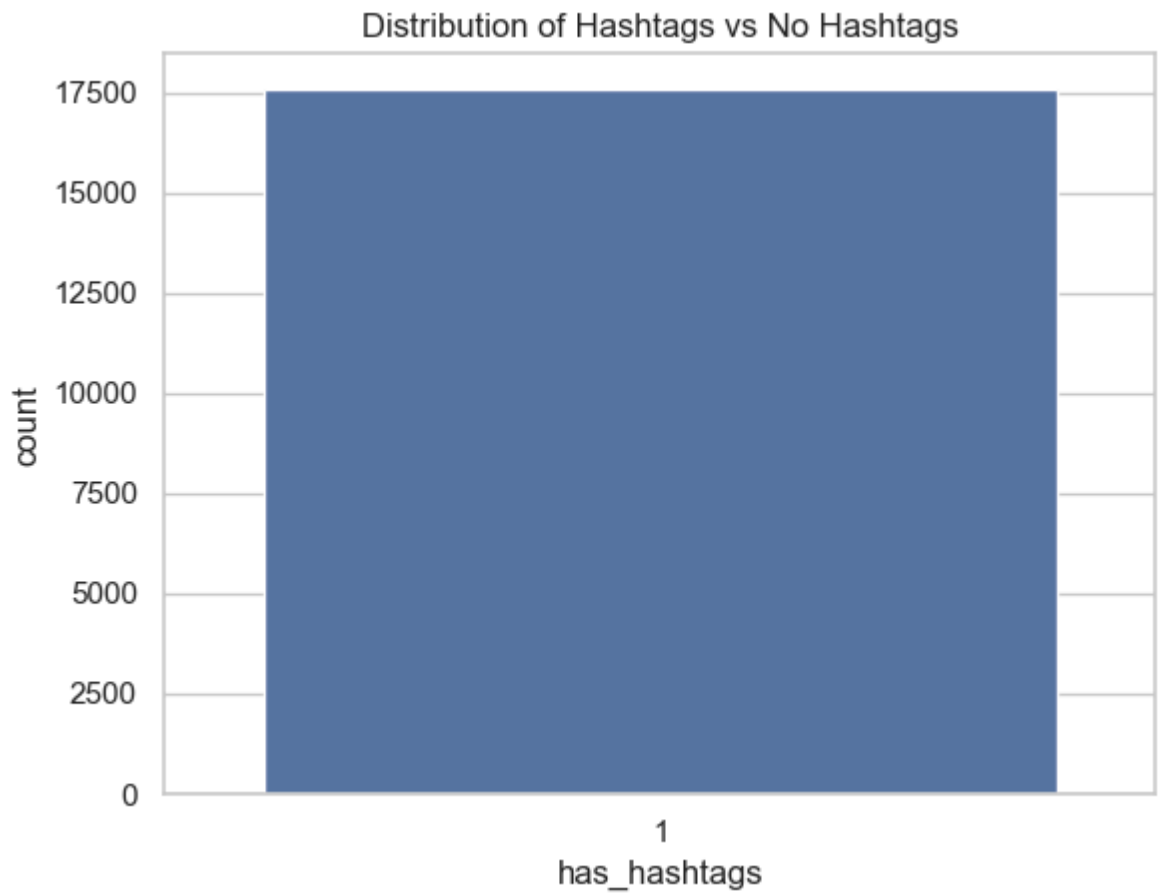


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In [289]: #Viral vs Non-Viral by Resolution
sns.countplot(x='resolution', hue='is_viral', data=df1)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.title("Viral vs Non-Viral Videos by Resolution")
plt.show()
```

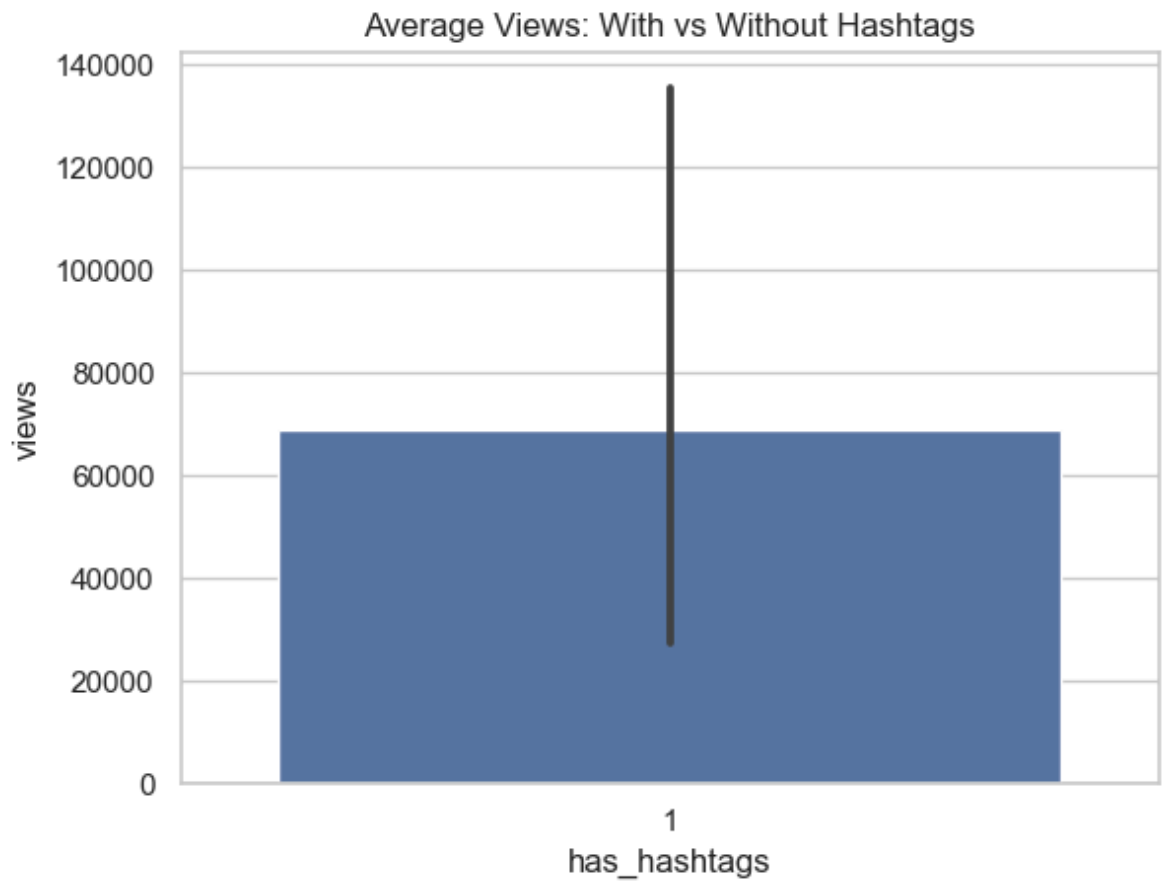


4. Do videos with hashtags perform better?

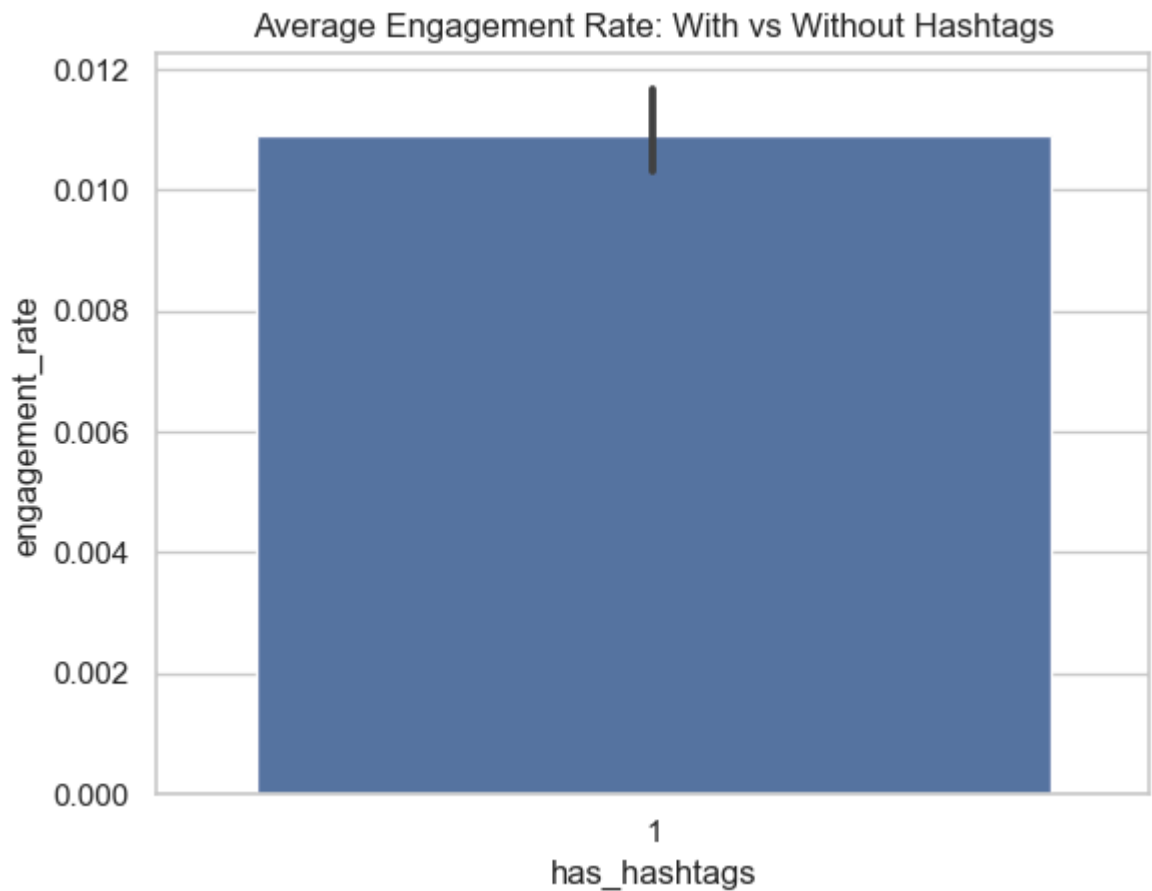
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In [290]: #Distribution of Hashtags vs No Hashtags  
sns.countplot(x='has_hashtags', data=df1)  
plt.title("Distribution of Hashtags vs No Hashtags")  
plt.show()
```



```
In [291]: #Avg Views (Hashtags vs No Hashtags)
sns.barplot(x='has_hashtags', y='views', data=df1)
plt.title("Average Views: With vs Without Hashtags")
plt.show()
```

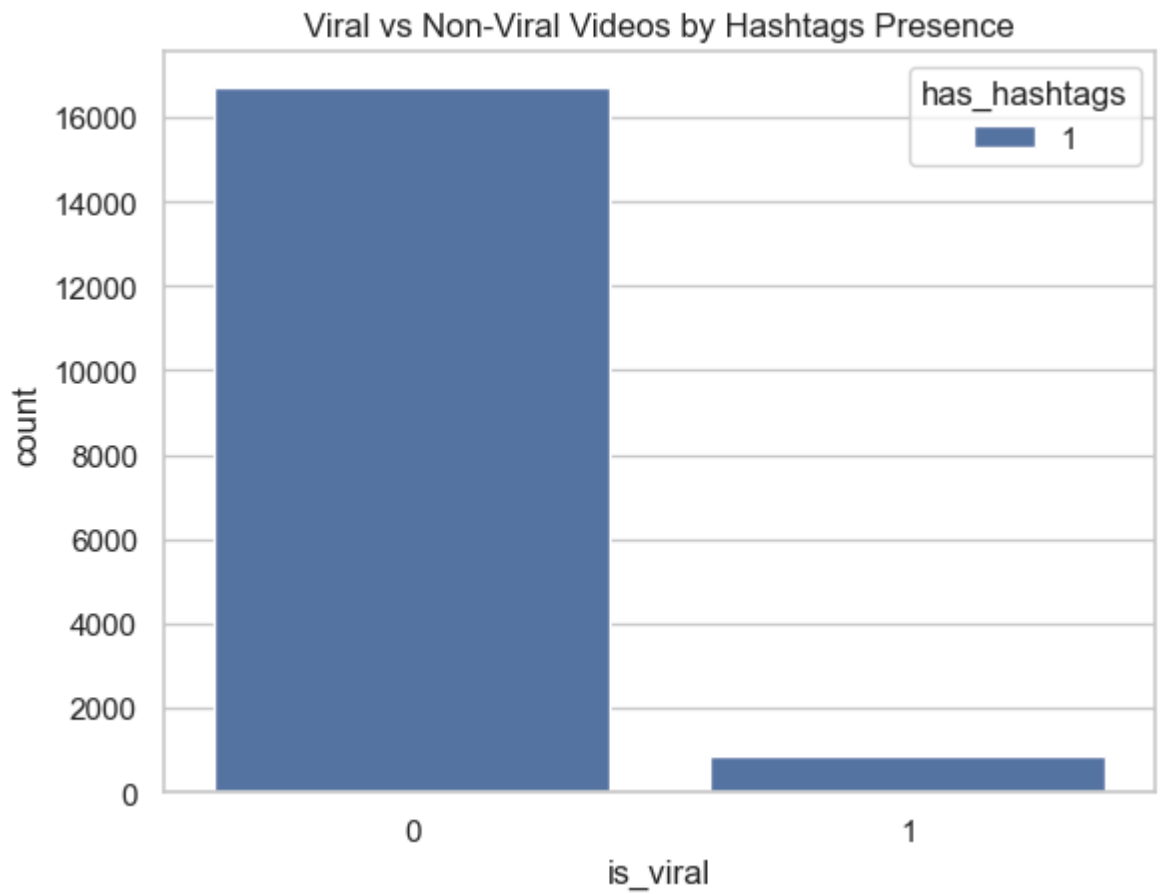



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In [292]: #Avg Engagement Rate (Hashtags vs No Hashtags)
sns.barplot(x='has_hashtags', y='engagement_rate', data=df1)
plt.title("Average Engagement Rate: With vs Without Hashtags")
plt.show()
```



5. Which hashtags are most frequently associated with viral videos?

```
In [293]: #Viral vs Non-Viral by Hashtags presence  
sns.countplot(x='is_viral', hue='has_hashtags', data=df1)  
plt.title("Viral vs Non-Viral Videos by Hashtags Presence")  
plt.show()
```



In [294]: *#Top Hashtags in Viral Videos*

#Filtering viral videos with hashtags

```
viral_hashtags = df1[(df1['is_viral'] == 1) & (df1['hashtags'] != "No Hashtags")]
```

#Splitting hashtags (they may be stored as comma-separated or space-separated strings)

```
all_tags = viral_hashtags['hashtags'].str.split().explode()
```

#Counting most frequent hashtags

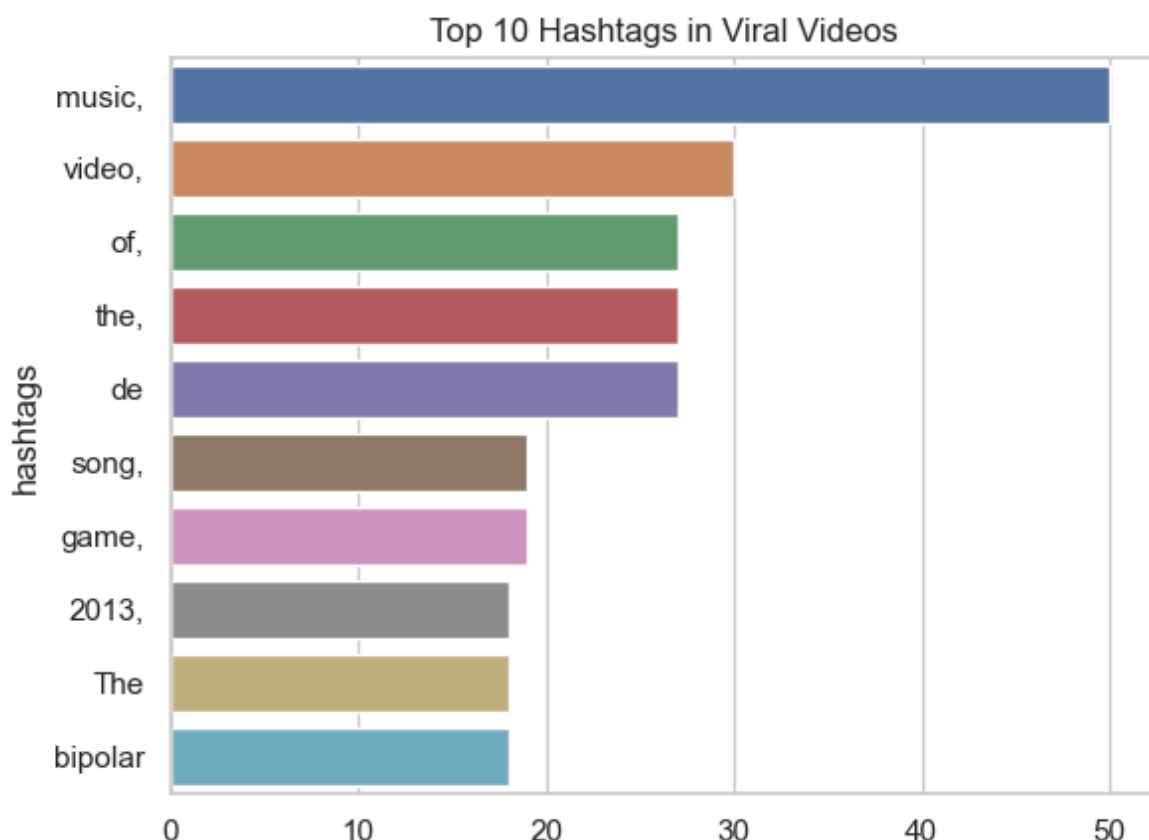
```
top_tags = all_tags.value_counts().head(10)
```

#Barplot of top hashtags

```
sns.barplot(x=top_tags.values, y=top_tags.index)
```

```
plt.title("Top 10 Hashtags in Viral Videos")
```

```
plt.show()
```



Executive Summary

Categories: Gaming & Comedy dominate in views, but Education has stronger engagement efficiency.

Duration: Medium-length videos (4–10 minutes) perform best for engagement.

Resolution: HD videos (720p/1080p) yield slightly higher engagement than low-quality formats.

Predictors: Likes and Comments are the strongest indicators of video success.

Hashtags: Videos with hashtags consistently achieve higher engagement; most viral videos use them.

Recommendations

Encourage creators to produce medium-length (4–10 min) videos for optimal engagement.

Focus on Gaming, Comedy, and Education categories to capture both reach and engagement.

Always use hashtags in video descriptions to improve discoverability and engagement.

Creators should encourage likes and comments explicitly, as these are the strongest predictors of visibility.

Future analysis could integrate time-based trends (upload dates) to study seasonality and video lifecycle performance.

Stakeholders

Content Creators / Influencers

Want to know which type of content performs best.

Insights help them decide which category, duration, or resolution to focus on.

Marketing & Social Media Teams

Interested in whether hashtags drive engagement.

Insights help optimize video descriptions, use trending hashtags, and boost discoverability.

YouTube Platform / Product Managers

Care about what makes videos go viral and which features keep viewers engaged.

Insights can guide recommendation algorithms, feature updates, and user engagement strategies.

Brands & Advertisers

Want to know which categories or creators to sponsor for maximum reach.

Insights help improve ad targeting and influencer partnerships.

How This Project Helps

Content Strategy

Identifies top-performing categories (e.g., Gaming, Comedy for reach; Education for engagement).

Helps creators optimize video duration (medium-length is most engaging).

Engagement Optimization

Reveals that Likes & Comments strongly drive Views, encouraging creators to push for interaction.

Highlights that videos with hashtags perform better than those without.

Viral Growth Insights

Shows patterns in viral videos (categories, hashtags, resolution).

Helps creators and marketers mimic successful viral strategies.

Platform/Business Impact

Demonstrates that small optimizations (hashtags, duration, resolution) can improve engagement.

Provides insights that could support future recommendation system improvements (beyond the scope of this project).

Limitations of the Analysis

No time/date information → can't analyze trends over time.

Engagement metrics may be biased toward large creators (MrBeast, etc.).

Dataset doesn't include watch time or subscriber growth (important for deeper insights).

Viral videos are rare, making them hard to generalize.

Future Work / Next Steps

Time-Based Analysis: If upload dates were available, analyze trends over time (seasonality, growth, video lifecycle).

Text Analytics: Apply NLP on video titles, descriptions, and hashtags to understand what language or themes drive engagement.

Predictive Modeling: Extend the analysis into simple ML models (e.g., regression, classification) to predict video popularity based on metadata.

Interactive Dashboard: Build a Power BI or Tableau dashboard for real-time monitoring of content performance.

For future extensions, advanced methods like predictive modeling or NLP on titles/hashtags could be explored.