Activity Course 3 TikTok project lab

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1 TikTok Project

Course 3 - Go Beyond the Numbers: Translate Data into Insights

Your TikTok data team is still in the early stages of their latest project. So far, you've completed a project proposal and used Python to inspect and organize the TikTok dataset.

Orion Rainier, a Data Scientist at TikTok, is pleased with the work you have already completed and is requesting your assistance with some Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) and data visualization. The management team asked to see a Python notebook showing data structuring and cleaning, as well as any matplotlib/seaborn visualizations plotted to help us understand the data. At the very least, include a graph comparing claim counts to opinion counts, as well as boxplots of the most important variables (like "video duration," "video like count," "video comment count," and "video view count") to check for outliers. Also, include a breakdown of "author ban status" counts.

Additionally, the management team has recently asked all EDA to include Tableau visualizations. Tableau visualizations are particularly helpful in status reports to the client and board members. For this data, create a Tableau dashboard showing a simple claims versus opinions count, as well as stacked bar charts of claims versus opinions for variables like video view counts, video like counts, video share counts, and video download counts. Make sure it is easy to understand to someone who isn't data savvy, and remember that the assistant director is a person with visual impairments.

You also notice a follow-up email from the Data Science Lead, Willow Jaffey. Willow suggests including an executive summary of your analysis to share with teammates.

A notebook was structured and prepared to help you in this project. Please complete the following questions.

2 Course 3 End-of-course project: Exploratory data analysis

In this activity, you will examine data provided and prepare it for analysis. You will also design a professional data visualization that tells a story, and will help data-driven decisions for business needs.

Please note that the Tableau visualization activity is optional, and will not affect your completion of the course. Completing the Tableau activity will help you practice planning out and plotting a data visualization based on a specific business need. The structure of this activity is designed to emulate the proposals you will likely be assigned in your career as a data professional. Completing this activity will help prepare you for those career moments.

The purpose of this project is to conduct exploratory data analysis on a provided data set. Your mission is to continue the investigation you began in C2 and perform further EDA on this data with the aim of learning more about the variables. Of particular interest is information related to what distinguishes claim videos from opinion videos.

The goal is to explore the dataset and create visualizations. This activity has 4 parts:

- Part 1: Imports, links, and loading
- Part 2: Data Exploration * Data cleaning
- Part 3: Build visualizations
- Part 4: Evaluate and share results

Follow the instructions and answer the question below to complete the activity. Then, you will complete an executive summary using the questions listed on the PACE Strategy Document.

Be sure to complete this activity before moving on. The next course item will provide you with a completed exemplar to compare to your own work.

3 Visualize a story in Tableau and Python

4 PACE stages

Throughout these project notebooks, you'll see references to the problem-solving framework PACE. The following notebook components are labeled with the respective PACE stage: Plan, Analyze, Construct, and Execute.

4.1 PACE: Plan

Consider the questions in your PACE Strategy Document and those below where applicable to craft your response: 1. Identify any outliers:

- What methods are best for identifying outliers?
- How do you make the decision to keep or exclude outliers from any future models?

The best way to identify outliers: 1. Understand all the variables within the dataset 2. Use python built in functions like info and describe to see the min,max,average and other mathematical details that could be of value to see if there are any outstanding values that should not be there.

3. Create visualizations such as box plots to see if there are any outliers within the dataset, and if so we can dive deeper into them to see if they need to be deleted or not.

4.1.1 Task 1. Imports, links, and loading

Go to Tableau Public The following link will help you complete this activity. Keep Tableau Public open as you proceed to the next steps.

Link to supporting materials: Public Tableau: https://public.tableau.com/s/. Note that the TikTok dataset can be downloaded directly from this notebook by going to "Lab Files" in the menu bar at the top of the page, clicking into the "/home/jovyan/work" folder, selecting tiktok_dataset.csv, and clicking "Download" above the list of files.

For EDA of the data, import the packages that would be most helpful, such as pandas, numpy, matplotlib.pyplot, and seaborn.

```
[1]: # Import packages for data manipulation
### YOUR CODE HERE ###
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Import packages for data visualization
### YOUR CODE HERE ###
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
```

Then, load the dataset into a dataframe. Read in the data and store it as a dataframe object.

Note: As shown in this cell, the dataset has been automatically loaded in for you. You do not need to download the .csv file, or provide more code, in order to access the dataset and proceed with this lab. Please continue with this activity by completing the following instructions.

```
[2]: # Load dataset into dataframe
data = pd.read_csv("tiktok_dataset.csv")
```

4.2 PACE: Analyze

Consider the questions in your PACE Strategy Document and those below where applicable to complete your code.

4.2.1 Task 2a: Data exploration and cleaning

The first step is to assess your data. Check the Data Source page on Tableau Public to get a sense of the size, shape and makeup of the data set.

Consider functions that help you understand and structure the data.

- .head()
- .info()
- .describe()
- .groupby()
- .sort_values()

Consider the following questions as you work:

What do you do about missing data (if any)?

Are there data outliers?

Start by discovering, using .head(), .size, and .shape.

[3]: # Display and examine the first few rows of the dataframe

```
### YOUR CODE HERE ###
     data.head(10)
[3]:
         # claim status
                           video_id video_duration_sec
                        7017666017
                  claim
                                                      59
         2
                                                      32
     1
                  claim
                        4014381136
     2
         3
                  claim 9859838091
                                                      31
     3
         4
                  claim 1866847991
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                  claim 7105231098
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         6
                  claim 8972200955
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         7
                  claim 4958886992
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     7
                  claim 2270982263
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     8
         9
                  claim 5235769692
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        10
                  claim 4660861094
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                                 video_transcription_text verified_status
      someone shared with me that drone deliveries a...
                                                            not verified
     1
       someone shared with me that there are more mic...
                                                          not verified
     2 someone shared with me that american industria...
                                                          not verified
     3 someone shared with me that the metro of st. p... not verified
     4 someone shared with me that the number of busi...
                                                          not verified
     5 someone shared with me that gross domestic pro...
                                                          not verified
     6 someone shared with me that elvis presley has ...
                                                          not verified
     7 someone shared with me that the best selling s...
                                                           not verified
     8 someone shared with me that about half of the ...
                                                            not verified
     9 someone shared with me that it would take a 50...
                                                                verified
       author_ban_status video_view_count video_like_count video_share_count
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                                                      97690.0
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                  active
     3
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                                                     239954.0
                                                                          34812.0
                  active
     4
                  active
                                   56167.0
                                                      34987.0
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     5
            under review
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                  active
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                  active
                                   24819.0
     9
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                                                     171051.0
                                                                          67739.0
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                             video_comment_count
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                      1234.0
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5
                  4293.0
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                 8616.0
                                        5446.0
7
                    22.0
                                          11.0
8
                    53.0
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9
                 4104.0
                                        2540.0
```

[4]: # Get the size of the data ### YOUR CODE HERE ### data.size

[4]: 232584

[5]: # Get the shape of the data
YOUR CODE HERE
data.shape

[5]: (19382, 12)

Get basic information about the data, using .info().

[6]: # Get basic information about the data ### YOUR CODE HERE ### data.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 19382 entries, 0 to 19381
Data columns (total 12 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	#	19382 non-null	int64
1	claim_status	19084 non-null	object
2	video_id	19382 non-null	int64
3	video_duration_sec	19382 non-null	int64
4	video_transcription_text	19084 non-null	object
5	verified_status	19382 non-null	object
6	author_ban_status	19382 non-null	object
7	video_view_count	19084 non-null	float64
8	video_like_count	19084 non-null	float64
9	video_share_count	19084 non-null	float64
10	video_download_count	19084 non-null	float64
11	video_comment_count	19084 non-null	float64

dtypes: float64(5), int64(3), object(4)

memory usage: 1.8+ MB

Generate a table of descriptive statistics, using .describe().

```
[7]: # Generate a table of descriptive statistics
### YOUR CODE HERE ###
data.describe()
```

[7]:		#	video_id	video_duration	sec vid	leo view cou	nt \
	count	19382.000000	1.938200e+04	19382.00	_	19084.0000	
	mean		5.627454e+09	32.42	1732	254708.5586	88
	std	5595.245794	2.536440e+09	16.22	9967	322893.2808	14
	min	1.000000	1.234959e+09	5.00	0000	20.0000	00
	25%	4846.250000	3.430417e+09	18.00	0000	4942.5000	00
	50%	9691.500000	5.618664e+09	32.00	0000	9954.5000	00
	75%	14536.750000	7.843960e+09	47.00	0000	504327.0000	00
	max	19382.000000	9.999873e+09	60.00	0000	999817.0000	00
		video_like_cou	_	re_count video	_	_	
	count	19084.0000		4.000000		000000	
	mean	84304.6360		5.248323		429627	
	std	133420.5468	14 3203	6.174350		299894	
	min	0.0000	00	0.00000	0.	000000	
	25%	810.7500	00 11	5.000000	7.	000000	
	50%	3403.5000	00 71	7.000000	46.	000000	
	75%	125020.0000	00 1822	2.000000	1156.	250000	
	max	657830.0000	00 25613	0.00000	14994.	000000	
		video_comment_	count				
	count	19084.0					
	mean	349.3					
	std	799.6	38865				
	min	0.0	00000				
	25%	1.0	00000				
	50%		00000				
	75%	292.0					
	max	9599.0					

4.2.2 Task 2b. Assess data types

In Tableau, staying on the data source page, double check the data types of the columns in the dataset. Refer to the dimensions and measures in Tableau.

Review the instructions linked in the previous Activity document to create the required Tableau visualization.

4.2.3 Task 2c. Select visualization type(s)

Select data visualization types that will help you understand and explain the data.

Now that you know which data columns you'll use, it is time to decide which data visualization makes the most sense for EDA of the TikTok dataset. What type of data visualization(s) would be most helpful? Consider the distribution of the data.

- Line graph
- Bar chart
- Box plot
- Histogram
- Heat map
- Scatter plot
- A geographic map

The data visualizations that will be most helpful for this dataset within the EDA phase would be: **box plots** for looking at any outliers as well as **histograms** to look at the distribution of variables. To distinguish between the percentage of videos that are claims vs opinions we can show a **pie chart** that will distinguish the percent difference.

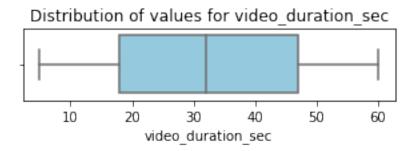
4.3 PACE: Construct

Consider the questions in your PACE Strategy Document to reflect on the Construct stage.

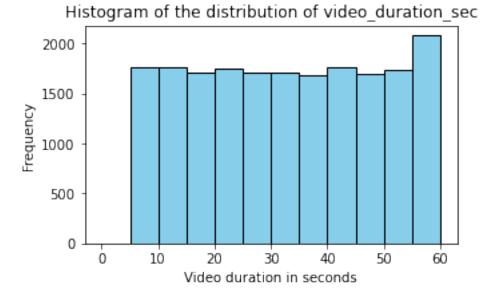
4.3.1 Task 3. Build visualizations

Now that you have assessed your data, it's time to plot your visualization(s).

video_duration_sec Create a box plot to examine the spread of values in the video_duration_sec column.



Create a histogram of the values in the video_duration_sec column to further explore the distribution of this variable.



Question: What do you notice about the duration and distribution of the videos?

All the videos in the dataset are between the length of 5 and 60 seconds. Also the distribution of the values is **uniform** as there are no outstanding values and the count is similar across video durations.

```
[14]: # Create a boxplot to visualize distribution of `video_view_count`
    ### YOUR CODE HERE ###

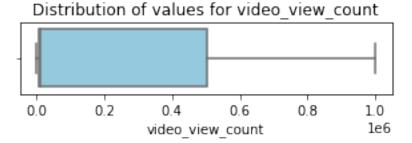
plt.figure(figsize=(5,1))

plt.xlabel('video view count')

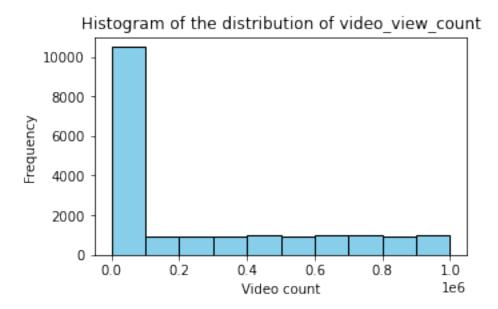
plt.title('Distribution of values for video_view_count')

sns.boxplot(x=data['video_view_count'],color='skyblue')

plt.show()
```

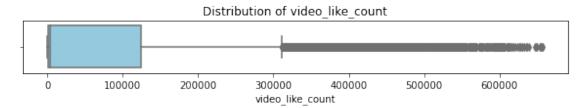


Create a histogram of the values in the video_view_count column to further explore the distribution of this variable.



Question: What do you notice about the distribution of this variable? From looking at the plot I am noticing an extremely uneven distribution with more than half the videos having less than 100,000 views. Also the distribution of views greater than 100,000 is **uniform**.

```
[17]: # Create a boxplot to visualize distribution of `video_like_count`
### YOUR CODE HERE ###
plt.figure(figsize=(10,1))
plt.title('Distribution of video_like_count')
plt.xlabel('Video likes')
sns.boxplot(x= data['video_like_count'],color='skyblue')
plt.show()
```



Create a histogram of the values in the video_like_count column to further explore the distribution of this variable.

```
[18]: # Create a histogram
### YOUR CODE HERE ###

''' below is the code for the histogram where we want to find the distribution

of video

likes and the bins we want to set are between 100k and 701k with it

incrementing

by 100k each bin

'''

plt.figure(figsize=(5,3))

ax= sns.histplot(data = odata['video_like_count'], bins=range(0,(7*10**5+1),10**5))

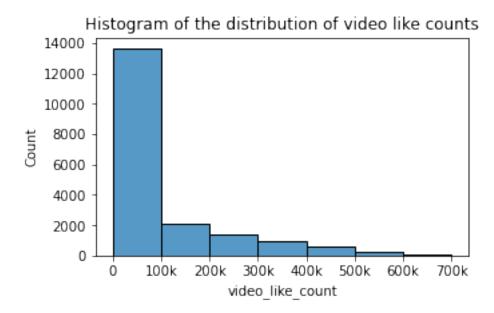
# Now we want the labels readable for each of the x values on the axis

labels= [0] + [str(i)+ 'k' for i in range(100, 701, 100)]

ax.set_xticks(range(0,7*10**5+1,10**5))

ax.set_xticklabels(labels)

plt.title('Histogram of the distribution of video like counts');
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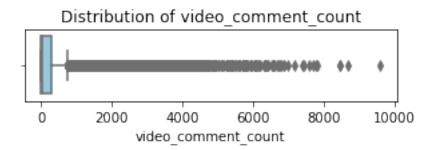
Question: What do you notice about the distribution of this variable? Like the previous video view count there are far more videos with a like count of fewer than 100k, but unlike the previous plot this plot is seewed to the right.

video_comment_count Create a box plot to examine the spread of values in the video_comment_count column.

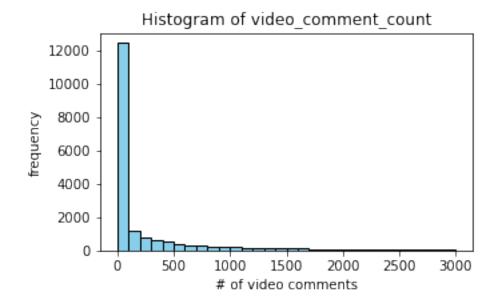
```
[19]: # Create a boxplot to visualize distribution of `video_comment_count`
### YOUR CODE HERE ###
plt.figure(figsize=(5,1))
```

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sns.boxplot(x=data['video_comment_count'],color = 'skyblue')
plt.title('Distribution of video_comment_count')
```

[19]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Distribution of video_comment_count')



Create a histogram of the values in the video_comment_count column to further explore the distribution of this variable.

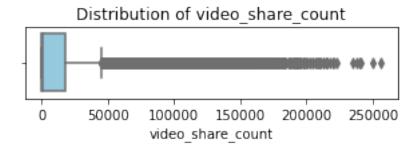


Question: What do you notice about the distribution of this variable? Once again we see most the data is grouped at the bottom of the range so this histogram of video comment count is very right skewed.

video_share_count Create a box plot to examine the spread of values in the video_share_count column.

```
[21]: # Create a boxplot to visualize distribution of `video_share_count`
### YOUR CODE HERE ###
plt.figure(figsize=(5,1))
plt.title('Distribution of video_share_count')
plt.xlabel(' Number of video shares')
sns.boxplot(data['video_share_count'],color='skyblue')
```

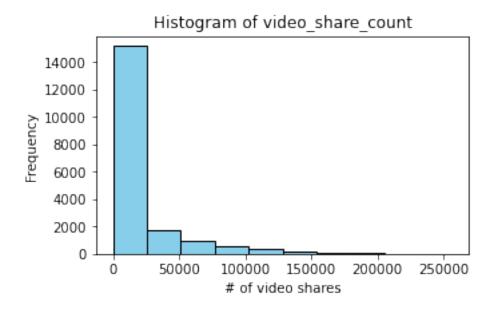
[21]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x7f74a1853f10>



Create a histogram of the values in the video_share_count column to further explore the distribution of this variable.

```
[22]: # Create a histogram
### YOUR CODE HERE ###
plt.figure(figsize=(5,3))
plt.hist(data['video_share_count'],color='skyblue',edgecolor='black')
plt.title('Histogram of video_share_count')
plt.xlabel('# of video shares')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
```

[22]: Text(0, 0.5, 'Frequency')



Question: What do you notice about the distribution of this variable? This is a very similar story to the other histograms as the data is very skewed to the right. Also, it seems that the majority of videos have less than 10k shares.

video_download_count Create a box plot to examine the spread of values in the video_download_count column.

```
[23]: # Create a boxplot to visualize distribution of `video_download_count`
    ### YOUR CODE HERE ###

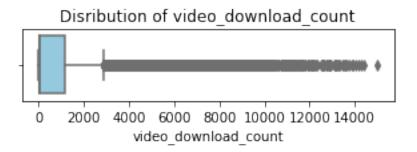
plt.figure(figsize=(5,1))

plt.title('Disribution of video_download_count')

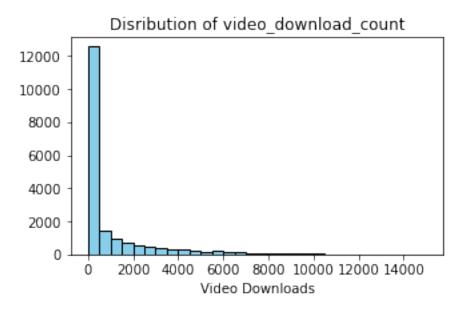
plt.xlabel('Video Downloads')

sns.boxplot(data['video_download_count'],color='skyblue')
```

[23]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x7f74a16b9e50>



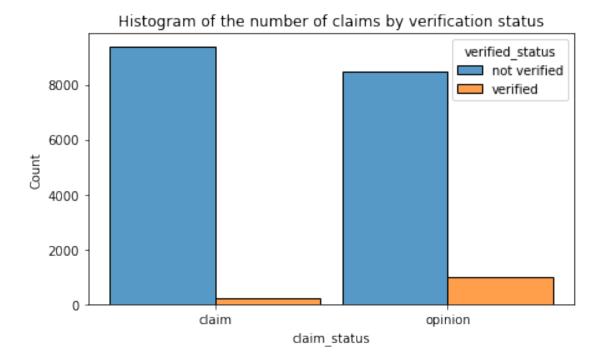
Create a histogram of the values in the video_download_count column to further explore the distribution of this variable.



Question: What do you notice about the distribution of this variable? The majority of video downloads occured with videos that were downloaded fewer than 500 times. Also the data is very right skewed.

Claim status by verification status Now, create a histogram with four bars: one for each combination of claim status and verification status.

plt.show()



Question: What do you notice about the number of verified users compared to unverified? And how does that affect their likelihood to post opinions? Based on the graph plotted above we see that there are fewer verified users than not verified. But, if a user is verified we see that they are most likely to post an opinion.

Claim status by author ban status The previous course used a groupby() statement to examine the count of each claim status for each author ban status. Now, use a histogram to communicate the same information.

```
### YOUR CODE HERE ###

# Now we will create a histogram for the claim status based on the categories

→ of the authors ban status

plt.figure(figsize=(7,4))

''' we have our histogram here with the x axis being claim status and the y

→ axis being the count of each.

Also I specified the order I want the ban status of the categories to be. As

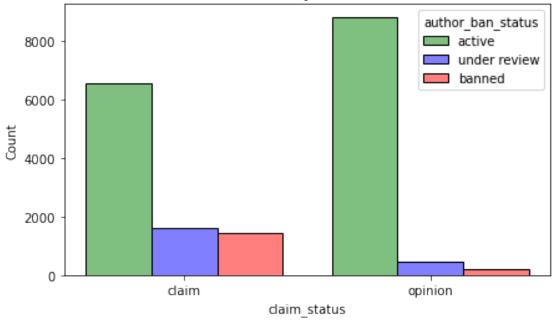
→ well as the color I wanted them

to be. Lastly, I wanted the colors to not be too dark so changed the alpha and

→ left some space

between the bars so one can distinguish between claims and opinions.
```





[]:

Question: What do you notice about the number of active authors compared to banned authors for both claims and opinions?

We notice that authors how have an active status are far greater count than those who have a under review or banned status. As well as we see that the porportion of active status authors is larger for opions based claim_status than those of opinions. Lastly, authors who are banned or under review are most likely to be claim videos over those of opinion based.

Median view counts by ban status Create a bar plot with three bars: one for each author ban status. The height of each bar should correspond with the median number of views for all videos with that author ban status.

```
[33]: # Create a bar plot
### YOUR CODE HERE ###

# so first we want to do is group the data by the author ban status and the

→ median count values for each

author_ban_counts = data.groupby(data['author_ban_status']).median(numeric_only

→= True).reset_index()

# Now that we have the data grouped lets create a bar chart using seaborn

fig = plt.figure(figsize=(5,3))

sns.barplot(data = author_ban_counts,

x='author_ban_status',

y= 'video_view_count',

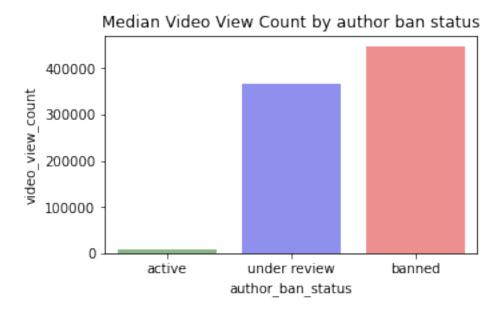
order = ['active', 'under review', 'banned'],

palette= {'active':'green', 'under review':'blue', 'banned':'red'},

alpha = 0.5,
)

plt.title('Median Video View Count by author ban status')
```

[33]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Median Video View Count by author ban status')



Question: What do you notice about the median view counts for non-active authors compared to that of active authors? Based on that insight, what variable might be a good indicator of claim status? The median view counts are far greater for non active authors than for active authors. Since we know that non active audiences tend to post more claim videos and that they have a higher video view count, we can say that video view might be a good indicator for claim_status.

```
[37]: # Calculate the median view count for claim status.
### YOUR CODE HERE ###
```

```
median_view_counts = data.groupby('claim_status')['video_view_count'].median()
median_view_counts
```

[37]: claim_status
 claim 501555.0
 opinion 4953.0
 Name: video_view_count, dtype: float64

Total views by claim status Create a pie graph that depicts the proportions of total views for claim videos and total views for opinion videos.

```
[53]: # Create a pie graph

### YOUR CODE HERE ###

fig = plt.figure(figsize=(4,4))

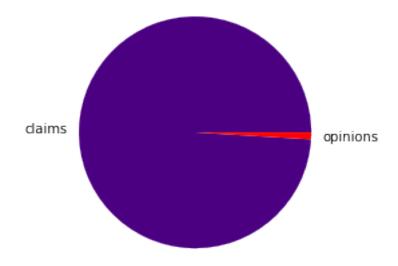
plt.pie(data.groupby('claim_status')['video_view_count'].

→sum(),labels=['claims','opinions'],colors=('indigo','red'))

plt.title('Total Video Views by Claim Status')

plt.show()
```

Total Video Views by Claim Status



Question: What do you notice about the overall view count for claim status?

The overall video view count is dominated by claim videos.

4.3.2 Task 4. Determine outliers

When building predictive models, the presence of outliers can be problematic. For example, if you were trying to predict the view count of a particular video, videos with extremely high view counts might introduce bias to a model. Also, some outliers might indicate problems with how data was captured or recorded.

The ultimate objective of the TikTok project is to build a model that predicts whether a video is a claim or opinion. The analysis you've performed indicates that a video's engagement level is strongly correlated with its claim status. There's no reason to believe that any of the values in the TikTok data are erroneously captured, and they align with expectation of how social media works: a very small proportion of videos get super high engagement levels. That's the nature of viral content.

Nonetheless, it's good practice to get a sense of just how many of your data points could be considered outliers. The definition of an outlier can change based on the details of your project, and it helps to have domain expertise to decide a threshold. You've learned that a common way to determine outliers in a normal distribution is to calculate the interquartile range (IQR) and set a threshold that is 1.5 * IQR above the 3rd quartile.

In this TikTok dataset, the values for the count variables are not normally distributed. They are heavily skewed to the right. One way of modifying the outlier threshold is by calculating the **median** value for each variable and then adding 1.5 * IQR. This results in a threshold that is, in this case, much lower than it would be if you used the 3rd quartile.

Write a for loop that iterates over the column names of each count variable. For each iteration: 1. Calculate the IQR of the column 2. Calculate the median of the column 3. Calculate the outlier threshold (median + 1.5 * IQR) 4. Calculate the numer of videos with a count in that column that exceeds the outlier threshold 5. Print "Number of outliers, {column name}: {outlier count}"

Example:

```
Number of outliers, video_view_count: ___

Number of outliers, video_like_count: ___

Number of outliers, video_share_count: ___

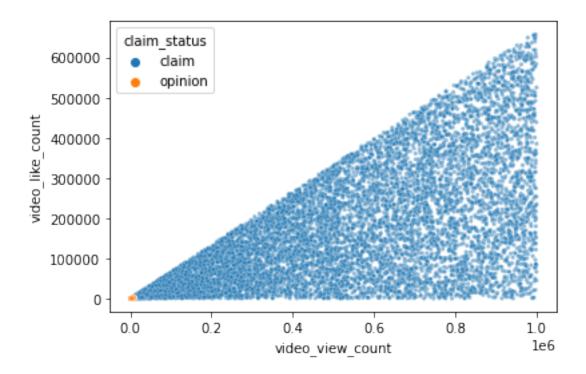
Number of outliers, video_download_count: ___

Number of outliers, video_comment_count: ___
```

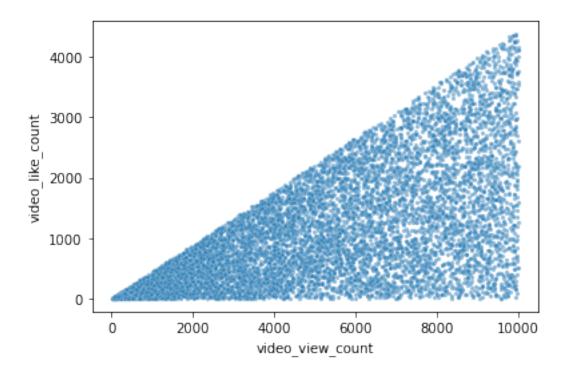
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q3 = data[column].quantile(0.75)
# to find the inner quartile range we subtract q1 from q3
iqr = q3 - q1
# this calculates th median of each column
median = data[column].median()
# now we need to get the threshold count of each column
threshold_outlier = median + 1.5*iqr
# this will count the number of outliers within each column
outlier_count = (data[column] > threshold_outlier).sum()
# now here we just print each columns outliers
print(f'Number of outliers:{column}:',outlier_count)
```

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Number of outliers:video_view_count: 2343
Number of outliers:video_like_count: 3468
Number of outliers:video_share_count: 3732
Number of outliers:video_download_count: 3733
Number of outliers:video_comment_count: 3882
```

Scatterplot



[]: ### YOUR CODE HERE



You can do a scatterplot in Tableau Public as well, which can be easier to manipulate and present. If you'd like step by step instructions, you can review the instructions linked in the previous Activity page.

4.4 PACE: Execute

Consider the questions in your PACE Strategy Document to reflect on the Execute stage.

You've now completed a professional data visualization according to a business need. Well done! Be sure to save your work as a reference for later work in Tableau.

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