Analysis of purchases of mobile applications

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. MOBILE APPLICATIONS

Mobile applications (or mobile apps) are computer programs or software applications created to be used on mobile phones, tablets or smartwatches. Originally, they were designed for basic needs like e-mails or calendar. But with the development of mobile devices, there has been an increase in demand for new and life-easing applications such as mobile games, social networking apps, navigation and location-based services. Those applications can be free of charge or can have a price. Mobile applications can be downloaded from distribution platforms like App Store or Google Play Store. According to the blogpost from the Business of Apps website, people on avarage use 9 mobile apps per day and 30 mobile apps per month. The most popular apps are Facebook, Youtube, Messenger, Google Search and Google Maps.

1.2. RESEARCH OBJECTIVE

The purpose of our research is to discover the factors affecting the number of application installs - what determines popularity of mobile applications?

At the beginning, we carry out data cleaning process and preparation of the dataset for analysis. Then we conduct a preliminary analysis and visualize basic statistics. Next, we formulate the model to inspect the factors determining the number of installs.

1.3. DATASET

The dataset about Google play store apps was downloaded from kaggle.com website (to see the source click here). The dataset includes almost 11 thousand observations - mobile applications, and 13 variables - Application name, Category, Rating, Reviews, Size, Installs, Type, Price, Content Rating, Genres, Last Updated, Current version, Android version.

2. DATA ANALYSIS

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2.1. CLEANING THE DATA

Raw data downloaded from kaggle repository needs cleaning. After uploading the data from the csv file, NaN values were omitted.

Based on the summary and basic statistics we can assume that most of the mobile applications are free (8719 apps) and only 648 are paid. Because of this disproportion, we do not pay attention to the level of price for the mobile app. Instead, we use the variable Type to distinguish between free and paid apps.

```
'data.frame':
                    9367 obs. of 13 variables:
                    : Factor w/ 9660 levels "- Free Comics - Comic Apps",..: 7224 2558 8998 8113 7289 7
##
   $ App
                    : Factor w/ 34 levels "1.9", "ART_AND_DESIGN",..: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
##
   $ Category
##
   $ Rating
                    : num 4.1 3.9 4.7 4.5 4.3 4.4 3.8 4.1 4.4 4.7 ...
                    : Factor w/ 6002 levels "0","1","10","100",...: 1183 5924 5681 1947 5924 1310 1464 3
##
   $ Reviews
##
   $ Size
                    : Factor w/ 462 levels "1,000+","1.0M",..: 55 30 368 102 64 222 55 118 146 120 ...
                    : Factor w/ 22 levels "0","0+","1,000,000,000+",..: 8 20 13 16 11 17 17 4 4 8 ...
##
   $ Installs
##
   $ Type
                    : Factor w/ 4 levels "0", "Free", "NaN", ...: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
                    : Factor w/ 93 levels "$0.99","$1.00",..: 92 92 92 92 92 92 92 92 92 ...
##
   $ Price
   \ Content.Rating: Factor \ 7 levels "","Adults only 18+",...: 3 3 3 6 3 3 3 3 3 ...
##
   $ Genres
                    : Factor w/ 120 levels "Action", "Action; Action & Adventure", ..: 10 13 10 10 12 10 1
   $ Last.Updated : Factor w/ 1378 levels "1.0.19", "April 1, 2016",...: 562 482 117 825 757 901 76 726
```

: Factor w/ 2834 levels "","0.0.0.2","0.0.1",..: 121 1020 466 2827 279 115 279 2393

```
$ Android.Ver : Factor w/ 35 levels "","1.0 and up",..: 17 17 17 20 22 10 17 20 12 17 ...
   - attr(*, "na.action")= 'omit' Named int 24 114 124 127 130 131 135 164 181 186 ...
##
     ..- attr(*, "names")= chr "24" "114" "124" "127" ...
##
##
   ROBLOX
                                                           9
##
   CBS Sports App - Scores, News, Stats & Watch Live:
##
   8 Ball Pool
                                                           7
##
    Candy Crush Saga
    Duolingo: Learn Languages Free
                                                           7
##
                                                           7
##
    ESPN
    (Other)
##
                                                       :9322
##
             Category
                              Rating
                                               Reviews
##
                                 : 1.000
   FAMILY
                  :1747
                          Min.
                                            2
                                                      83
##
   GAME
                  :1097
                          1st Qu.: 4.000
                                            3
                                                      78
   TOOLS
                  : 734
                          Median : 4.300
                                                      74
##
                                            4
   PRODUCTIVITY: 351
                          Mean
                                 : 4.193
                                            5
##
  MEDICAL
                  : 350
                          3rd Qu.: 4.500
                                            1
                                                      67
    COMMUNICATION: 328
                          Max.
                                 :19.000
                                                      62
                  :4760
##
    (Other)
                                            (Other):8929
##
                    Size
                                      Installs
                                                                    Price
                                                     Туре
##
                               1,000,000+ :1577
   Varies with device:1637
                                                           1
                                                                0
                                                                       :8719
                                                   Free:8719
##
   14M
                               10,000,000+:1252
                                                                $2.99
                                                                       : 114
                      : 166
##
  12M
                       : 161
                               100,000+
                                          :1150
                                                   NaN :
                                                                $0.99
                                                                       : 107
## 11M
                               10,000+
                                                                $4.99
                       : 160
                                          :1010
                                                   Paid: 647
                                                                          70
## 15M
                       : 159
                               5,000,000+ : 752
                                                                $1.99
##
   13M
                               1,000+
                                           : 713
                                                               $3.99
                                                                          58
                       : 157
##
    (Other)
                       :6927
                               (Other)
                                          :2913
                                                                (Other): 240
##
            Content.Rating
                                      Genres
                                                          Last.Updated
##
                                         : 733
                                                  August 3, 2018: 319
                        1
                            Tools
                                                  August 2, 2018: 284
##
                            Entertainment: 533
   Adults only 18+:
                        3
##
    Everyone
                   :7420
                            Education
                                         : 468
                                                  July 31, 2018 : 279
##
   Everyone 10+
                   : 397
                            Action
                                         : 358
                                                  August 1, 2018: 275
  Mature 17+
                   : 461
                            Productivity: 351
                                                  July 30, 2018 : 199
##
    Teen
                   :1084
                                         : 350
                                                  July 25, 2018: 157
                            Medical
                            (Other)
                                          :6574
                                                  (Other)
                                                                 :7854
##
    Unrated
                       1
##
                Current.Ver
                                            Android.Ver
                               4.1 and up
   Varies with device:1415
                                                  :2059
##
  1.0
                       : 458
                               Varies with device: 1319
## 1.1
                       : 195
                               4.0.3 and up
                                                  :1240
## 1.2
                       : 126
                               4.0 and up
                                                  :1131
## 1.3
                       : 120
                               4.4 and up
                                                  : 875
##
    2.0
                       : 119
                               2.3 and up
                                                  : 582
   (Other)
                       :6934
                               (Other)
                                                  :2161
```

After analysis of the data structure, we rename the columns to make data more readable:

```
columnsToRename = c('Reviews' = 'Reviews.Count', 'Current.Ver' = 'Current.Software.Version', 'Android.V
mainTable <- mainTable %>% plyr::rename(columnsToRename)
```

Furthermore, we start the process of cleaning - fixing the data and changing the data types:

```
# All - Setting "Varies with device" as NaN
mainTable[mainTable == "Varies with device"] <- NA
# Rating - Fixing outiliers
mainTable$Rating[mainTable$Rating > 5] <- NA</pre>
```

```
# Size - Delete M (megabytes)
mainTable[5] <- lapply(mainTable[5], as.character)</pre>
mainTable$Size <- substr(mainTable$Size, 1, nchar(mainTable$Size) - 1)</pre>
# Type - Fixing the O
mainTable$Type[mainTable$Type == 0] <- "Free"</pre>
# Price - Delete dollars, fix outliers
mainTable$Price <- substring(mainTable$Price,2)</pre>
mainTable$Price [mainTable$Price == "" | mainTable$Price == "veryone"] <- "0"</pre>
# Content.Rating - Deleting outliers
mainTable$Content.Rating[mainTable$Content.Rating == '' | mainTable$Content.Rating == "Unrated"] <- "Ev
# Genres - Taking only the main genre
mainTable$Genres <- gsub(";.*","",mainTable$Genres)</pre>
# Genres - Education and Educational are the same type of apps
mainTable$Genres [mainTable$Genres == "Educational"] <- "Education"</pre>
# Last. Updated - Converting to date NOT WORKING YET!
mainTable <- mainTable[!mainTable$Last.Updated == "1.0.19",]</pre>
mainTable$Last.Updated <- gsub(",",","",mainTable$Last.Updated)</pre>
# placeholder <- as.Date(mainTable$Last.Updated, format = "%B %d %Y", optional = TRUE)
# Android. Version - Take only the main part, eq. 4.3
mainTable$Android.Version <- substr(mainTable$Android.Version, 1, 3)</pre>
# Convert to character
for (i in c(1, 4)){
  mainTable[i] <- lapply(mainTable[i], as.character)</pre>
}
# Convert to numeric
for (i in c(4, 5, 8)){
  mainTable[i] <- lapply(mainTable[i], as.numeric)</pre>
}
# Convert to factors
for (i in c(10, 13)){
  mainTable[i] <- lapply(mainTable[i], as.factor)</pre>
}
remove(i)
# Drop all unused factors (cool function)
mainTable <- droplevels.data.frame(mainTable)</pre>
# Drop the Category column
mainTable <- mainTable[-c(2,12)]</pre>
```

2.2. BASIC STATISTICS

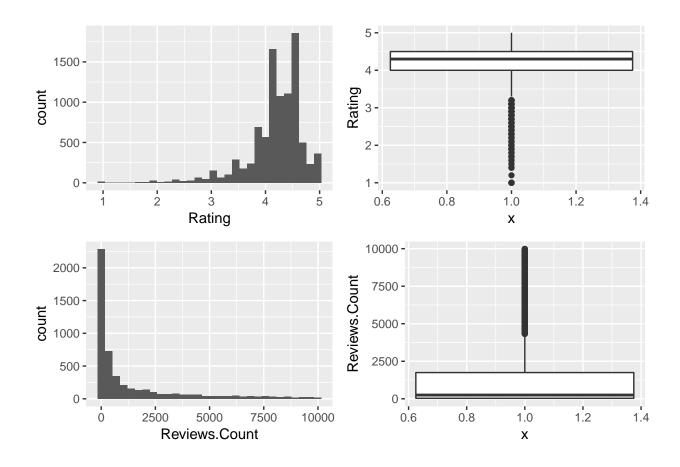
After the process of cleaning, the dataset includes 9367 observations and 11 variables. We can take another look at its structure and summary statistics:

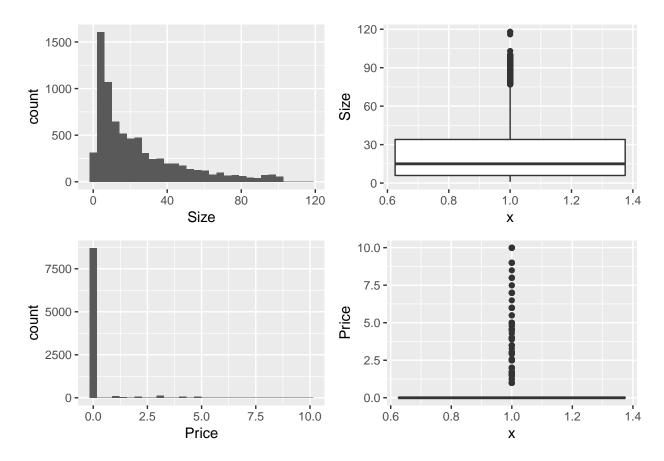
```
## 'data.frame':
                   9366 obs. of 11 variables:
## $ App
                   : chr "Photo Editor & Candy Camera & Grid & ScrapBook" "Coloring book moana" "U L
                   : num 4.1 3.9 4.7 4.5 4.3 4.4 3.8 4.1 4.4 4.7 ...
## $ Rating
## $ Reviews.Count : num 159 967 87510 215644 967 ...
                   : num 19 14 8.7 25 2.8 5.6 19 29 33 3.1 ...
## $ Size
                   : Factor w/ 19 levels "1,000,000,000+",..: 6 18 11 14 9 15 15 2 2 6 ...
## $ Installs
## $ Type
                   : Factor w/ 2 levels "Free", "Paid": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
                   : num 0000000000...
## $ Price
## $ Content.Rating : Factor w/ 5 levels "Adults only 18+",..: 2 2 2 5 2 2 2 2 2 ...
             : Factor w/ 47 levels "Action", "Adventure",..: 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 ...
## $ Genres
## $ Last. Updated : chr "January 7 2018" "January 15 2018" "August 1 2018" "June 8 2018" ...
```

```
$ Android. Version: Factor w/ 22 levels "1.0", "1.5", "1.6", ...: 11 11 11 13 15 7 11 13 8 11 ...
##
        App
                             Rating
                                          Reviews.Count
                                                                    Size
##
    Length:9366
                        Min.
                                :1.000
                                          Min.
                                                 :
                                                          1
                                                              Min.
                                                                      : 1.00
    Class :character
                        1st Qu.:4.000
                                                              1st Qu.:
##
                                          1st Qu.:
                                                        186
                                                                         6.10
##
    Mode :character
                        Median :4.300
                                          Median :
                                                       5930
                                                              Median : 16.00
                                                                      : 37.28
##
                        Mean
                                :4.192
                                          Mean
                                                    514050
                                                              Mean
##
                        3rd Qu.:4.500
                                          3rd Qu.:
                                                      81533
                                                              3rd Qu.: 37.00
##
                        Max.
                                :5.000
                                          Max.
                                                 :78158306
                                                              Max.
                                                                      :994.00
##
                                                              NA's
                                                                      :1637
##
           Installs
                           Туре
                                          Price
                                                                   Content.Rating
    1,000,000+ :1577
                        Free:8719
                                                          Adults only 18+:
##
                                             :
                                                0.0000
                                     Min.
##
    10,000,000+:1252
                        Paid: 647
                                     1st Qu.:
                                                0.0000
                                                          Everyone
                                                                          :7421
##
    100,000+
                :1150
                                     Median :
                                                0.0000
                                                          Everyone 10+
                                                                          : 397
##
    10,000+
                :1010
                                     Mean
                                                0.9609
                                                          Mature 17+
                                                                          : 461
    5,000,000+ : 752
                                     3rd Qu.:
                                                0.0000
##
                                                          Teen
                                                                          :1084
    1,000+
                : 713
                                             :400.0000
##
                                     Max.
##
    (Other)
                :2912
##
               Genres
                           Last.Updated
                                               Android. Version
                           Length:9366
                                                       :2373
##
    Tools
                  : 734
                                               4.0
##
    Education
                  : 666
                           Class : character
                                               4.1
                                                       :2060
    Entertainment: 577
                           Mode :character
                                               4.4
                                                       : 881
##
##
                  : 375
                                               2.3
                                                       : 822
    Action
##
    Productivity: 351
                                               5.0
                                                       : 538
##
    Medical
                  : 350
                                               (Other):1373
##
    (Other)
                  :6313
                                               NA's
                                                       :1319
```

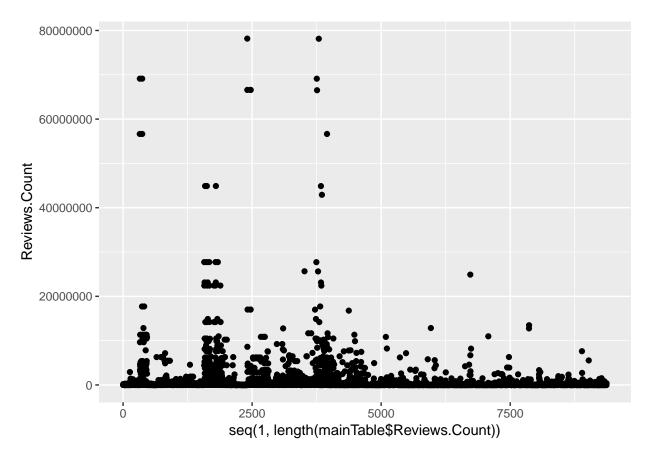
The dataset contains 11 variables - 5 factors, 4 numerics and 2 characters, and 9366 observations.

- Median rating of apps in Google Play Store is 4.3 and 50% of the apps have a rating between 4 and 4.5. We can identify outliers apps with rating lower than 3.25.
- Most of the apps have low number of reviews 50% of the applications in the dataset have between 186 and 81533 reviews (with median of 5930 reviews). The highest number of reviews is 78158306.
- Median size of apps is 16 MB. 50% of apps have the size between 6 and 37 MB. The largest app in the Google Play Store has 994 MB.
- As we mentioned before, most of the apps are free of charge.



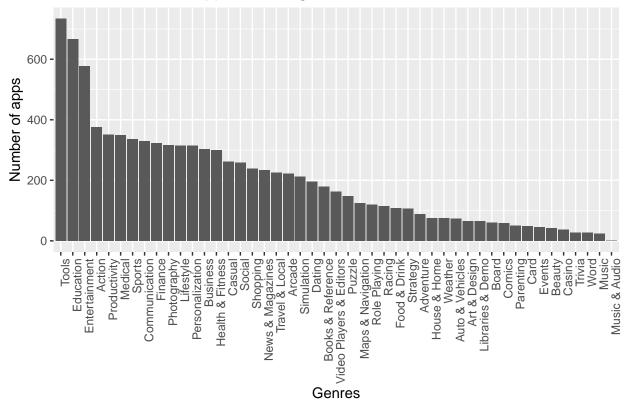


Interpretation of the scatter plot ????

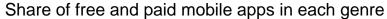


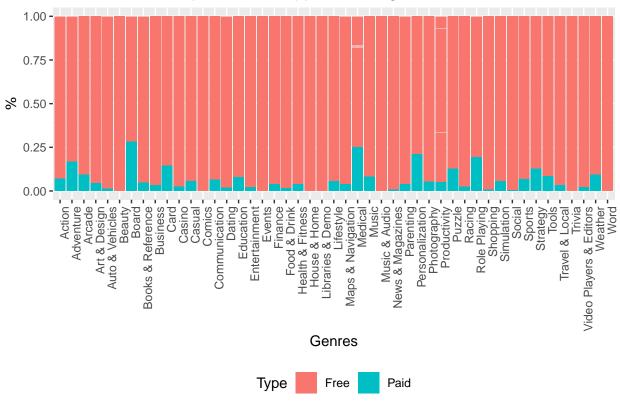
Three genres with the highest number of created mobile apps are: Tools, Education and Entertainment. Those three categories are on average 2 times bigger than the other genres. It means that these applications are the most useful for mobile devices users - developers create this kind of apps because there is a high demand for them.

Number of mobile apps in each genre

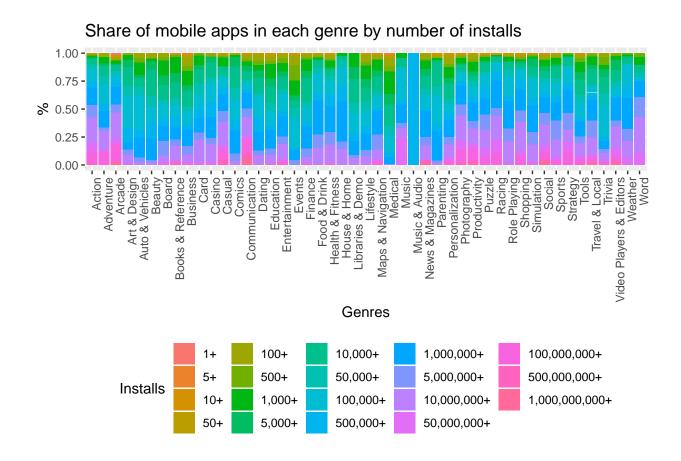


The highest and outstading share of paid mobile applications is in the four types of Genres: Board, Medical, Personalization and Role Playing. However, these are not the most popular types of apps - only Medical is in the top 10 of Genres. On the other hand, the categories with the highest number of applications are usually free of charge.





The graph below shows the number of installs of applications in each genre. The highest percentage of high numbers of installs have such applications genres like: Action, Arcade, Casual, Communication, Music, Photography, Racing, Shoopping, Social, Strategy, Travel & Loca, Video Players & Editors and Word. In the next section we provide a model to examine the factors determining the number of installs.

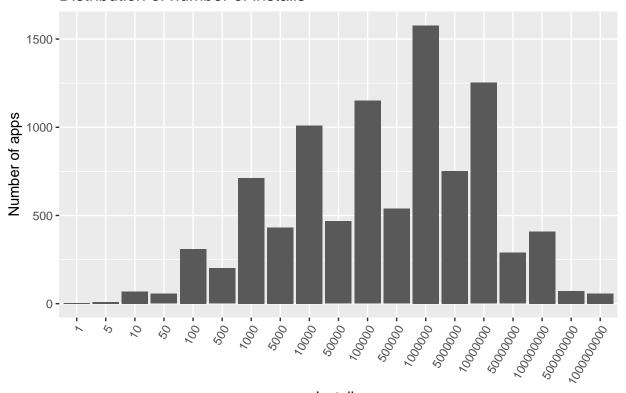


2.3. MODELLING

Since the purpose of our research is to find the features affecting the number of installs and Installs is not continuous but ordinal variable, we decided to use **Ordinal Logistic Regression model**. We are gonna examine the impact of the ratings, type and genres of application on the number of installs.

The most common number of installs is $1\ 000\ 000\ +$. The distribution of the number of installs is plotted in the graph below. What makes the number of installs high or low? Can an app developer predict and impact it?

Distribution of number of installs



Installs

Ordinal Logistic Regression model

```
## Call:
## polr(formula = Installs ~ Rating + Type + Genres, data = df_selected)
##
##
  Coefficients:
##
                                     Value Std. Error t value
                                   0.62259
                                              0.03668 16.9736
## Rating
## TypePaid
                                  -2.03432
                                              0.07278 -27.9498
## GenresAdventure
                                  -0.52513
                                              0.20695
                                                       -2.5375
                                              0.15036
## GenresArcade
                                   0.11714
                                                        0.7791
## GenresArt & Design
                                  -1.65863
                                              0.21737
                                                       -7.6304
## GenresAuto & Vehicles
                                  -1.83716
                                              0.21111
                                                       -8.7024
## GenresBeauty
                                  -1.90267
                                              0.26394
                                                       -7.2086
## GenresBoard
                                  -1.22331
                                              0.23470
                                                       -5.2121
## GenresBooks & Reference
                                  -1.64750
                                              0.15884 -10.3719
## GenresBusiness
                                  -1.92984
                                              0.13875 -13.9085
## GenresCard
                                              0.25612 -3.6242
                                  -0.92821
## GenresCasino
                                  -1.16408
                                              0.28504
                                                       -4.0840
## GenresCasual
                                  -0.22335
                                              0.14278
                                                       -1.5642
                                  -1.61782
## GenresComics
                                              0.22954
                                                       -7.0481
## GenresCommunication
                                  -0.03472
                                              0.13940
                                                       -0.2491
## GenresDating
                                 -1.51536
                                              0.15207
                                                       -9.9652
## GenresEducation
                                 -1.84630
                                              0.11303 - 16.3342
## GenresEntertainment
                                  -1.25418
                                              0.11705 -10.7147
## GenresEvents
                                 -2.76011
                                              0.28103 -9.8213
## GenresFinance
                                  -1.65130
                                              0.13044 -12.6596
```

```
## GenresFood & Drink
                                   -0.85167
                                               0.17835
                                                        -4.7752
## GenresHealth & Fitness
                                               0.13126
                                                        -7.5228
                                   -0.98743
## GenresHouse & Home
                                   -0.86986
                                               0.20013
                                                         -4.3465
## GenresLibraries & Demo
                                               0.22270
                                   -1.97983
                                                        -8.8900
## GenresLifestyle
                                   -1.76976
                                               0.13440 -13.1680
## GenresMaps & Navigation
                                               0.17991
                                                        -6.6347
                                   -1.19365
## GenresMedical
                                   -2.25318
                                               0.12892 -17.4778
## GenresMusic
                                   -0.40686
                                               0.36220
                                                        -1.1233
## GenresMusic & Audio
                                   -1.22405
                                               1.42069
                                                        -0.8616
## GenresNews & Magazines
                                   -1.23788
                                               0.14683
                                                        -8.4308
## GenresParenting
                                   -1.69198
                                               0.24160
                                                        -7.0033
## GenresPersonalization
                                   -1.30349
                                               0.13597
                                                        -9.5867
## GenresPhotography
                                   0.04502
                                               0.13337
                                                          0.3376
## GenresProductivity
                                   -0.64586
                                               0.13436
                                                        -4.8070
## GenresPuzzle
                                   -0.35409
                                               0.16668
                                                        -2.1244
## GenresRacing
                                   0.09373
                                               0.18263
                                                          0.5132
## GenresRole Playing
                                               0.17239
                                   -0.52749
                                                        -3.0599
## GenresShopping
                                   -0.31272
                                               0.14322
                                                        -2.1836
## GenresSimulation
                                   -0.84630
                                               0.14499
                                                        -5.8371
## GenresSocial
                                   -0.51920
                                               0.14683
                                                        -3.5361
## GenresSports
                                   -0.74403
                                               0.12962
                                                        -5.7399
## GenresStrategy
                                               0.18439
                                   -0.03122
                                                        -0.1693
## GenresTools
                                               0.11172 -11.1099
                                   -1.24117
## GenresTravel & Local
                                   -0.67850
                                               0.14705
                                                         -4.6139
## GenresTrivia
                                   -1.78539
                                               0.32798
                                                        -5.4436
## GenresVideo Players & Editors -0.50855
                                               0.16645
                                                         -3.0554
## GenresWeather
                                   -0.54554
                                               0.20557
                                                         -2.6538
##
  GenresWord
                                   -0.30614
                                               0.33508
                                                        -0.9136
##
## Intercepts:
##
                         Value
                                   Std. Error t value
## 1|5
                                     0.6094
                                              -11.3823
                          -6.9366
## 5|10
                          -5.7091
                                     0.3385
                                              -16.8648
## 10|50
                          -3.8108
                                     0.2076
                                              -18.3551
## 50|100
                          -3.2700
                                              -16.7537
                                     0.1952
## 100|500
                          -2.0129
                                     0.1823
                                              -11.0412
## 500|1000
                          -1.5981
                                     0.1805
                                               -8.8532
## 1000|5000
                                               -3.8393
                          -0.6864
                                     0.1788
## 5000|10000
                          -0.3075
                                               -1.7218
                                     0.1786
## 10000|50000
                           0.3859
                                                2.1588
                                     0.1788
## 50000 | 100000
                           0.6591
                                     0.1790
                                                3.6830
## 100000|500000
                           1.2788
                                     0.1796
                                                7.1189
## 500000|1000000
                           1.5576
                                     0.1800
                                                8.6536
## 1000000|5000000
                           2.4074
                                     0.1810
                                               13.3017
## 5000000|10000000
                           2.8865
                                     0.1816
                                               15.8953
## 10000000|50000000
                           4.0732
                                     0.1840
                                               22.1410
## 50000000|100000000
                           4.5642
                                     0.1859
                                               24.5583
## 10000000|50000000
                           6.0698
                                     0.2012
                                               30.1712
## 50000000|100000000
                           6.8903
                                     0.2237
                                               30.8011
## Residual Deviance: 44546.32
## AIC: 44678.32
```

We calculate p-value and filter out these variables which have p-value <= 0.05 and are statistically significant

at the 5% level.

```
##
                                  id
                                          Value Std. Error
                                                               t value p value
## 1
                              Rating 0.6225871 0.03667970 16.973614
                                                                         0.000
## 2
                                                                         0.000
                            TypePaid -2.0343163 0.07278475 -27.949762
## 3
                    GenresAdventure -0.5251321 0.20695255
                                                             -2.537452
                                                                         0.011
## 4
                 GenresArt & Design -1.6586254 0.21737038
                                                             -7.630411
                                                                         0.000
## 5
              GenresAuto & Vehicles -1.8371625 0.21110924
                                                             -8.702426
                                                                         0.000
## 6
                        GenresBeauty -1.9026701 0.26394414
                                                             -7.208609
                                                                         0.000
## 7
                         GenresBoard -1.2233055 0.23470351
                                                             -5.212131
                                                                         0.000
## 8
            GenresBooks & Reference -1.6475037 0.15884238 -10.371941
                                                                         0.000
## 9
                     GenresBusiness -1.9298429 0.13875288 -13.908488
                                                                         0.000
## 10
                          GenresCard -0.9282061 0.25611597
                                                             -3.624163
                                                                         0.000
## 11
                        GenresCasino -1.1640815 0.28503661
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## 12
                        GenresComics -1.6178169 0.22953987
                                                             -7.048086
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## 13
                        GenresDating -1.5153634 0.15206543
                                                            -9.965207
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## 14
                    GenresEducation -1.8462959 0.11303237 -16.334223
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## 15
                GenresEntertainment -1.2541776 0.11705219 -10.714687
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## 16
                        GenresEvents -2.7601094 0.28103168
                                                            -9.821346
                                                                         0.000
                      GenresFinance -1.6512960 0.13043777 -12.659646
## 17
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## 18
                 GenresFood & Drink -0.8516658 0.17835047
                                                             -4.775237
                                                                         0.000
## 19
             GenresHealth & Fitness -0.9874314 0.13125765
                                                             -7.522848
                                                                         0.000
## 20
                 GenresHouse & Home -0.8698603 0.20012751
                                                             -4.346531
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## 21
             GenresLibraries & Demo -1.9798288 0.22270256
                                                             -8.890013
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## 22
                    GenresLifestyle -1.7697624 0.13439915 -13.167959
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## 23
            GenresMaps & Navigation -1.1936537 0.17990954
                                                                         0.000
## 24
                      GenresMedical -2.2531791 0.12891667 -17.477795
                                                                         0.000
## 25
             GenresNews & Magazines -1.2378785 0.14682848
                                                             -8.430779
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## 26
                    GenresParenting -1.6919771 0.24159587
                                                             -7.003336
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## 27
              GenresPersonalization -1.3034913 0.13596937
                                                             -9.586654
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## 28
                 GenresProductivity -0.6458617 0.13435954
                                                             -4.806966
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## 29
                        GenresPuzzle -0.3540949 0.16668063
                                                             -2.124391
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## 30
                 GenresRole Playing -0.5274912 0.17238778
                                                             -3.059911
                                                                         0.002
## 31
                     GenresShopping -0.3127235 0.14321506
                                                             -2.183594
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## 32
                   GenresSimulation -0.8462998 0.14498544
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## 33
                        GenresSocial -0.5191964 0.14682936
                                                             -3.536053
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## 34
                       GenresSports -0.7440328 0.12962455
                                                            -5.739906
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  35
                         GenresTools -1.2411722 0.11171773 -11.109894
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## 36
               GenresTravel & Local -0.6784979 0.14705420
                                                             -4.613930
                                                                         0.000
                                                             -5.443604
##
  37
                        GenresTrivia -1.7853906 0.32797952
                                                                         0.000
## 38
     GenresVideo Players & Editors -0.5085516 0.16644510
                                                             -3.055372
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## 39
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                      GenresWeather -0.5455423 0.20557173
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                                 1|5 -6.9365660 0.60941915 -11.382258
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## 41
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## 42
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## 43
                              50 | 100 -3.2700147 0.19518158 -16.753705
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## 44
                             100|500 -2.0128767 0.18230586 -11.041207
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                            500|1000 -1.5981047 0.18051234
## 45
                                                            -8.853161
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## 46
                           1000|5000 -0.6864149 0.17878706
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## 47
                         10000|50000
                                      0.3859030 0.17876132
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## 48
                       50000 | 100000
                                      0.6591469 0.17897046
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## 49
                                      1.2788362 0.17963900
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                      100000|500000
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## 50
                     500000 | 1000000
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## 51
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## 52
                    5000000 | 10000000
                                       2.8864919 0.18159372
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## 54
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## 55
                 100000000|500000000
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## 56
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```

Explaining the model

```
logit [P(Y \le j)] = \alpha_i - \sum \beta_i X_i
```

where j = 1,...,J-1 and i = 1,...,M

The basic of proportional odds model has the following mathematical fomula:

with 'J' being a number of levels of dependent variable Installs (J=18) and 'M' being a total number of independent variables (M=3).

'j' is a single level of Installs, meanwhile 'i' is a single independent variables:

- i = 1 refers to Rating
- i = 2 refers to Type
- i = 3 refers to Genres

Interpretation of the results:

Comments on Coefficients: The continuous variable Rating can be interpreted as follows: with one unit increase in rating of the free mobile app the log of odds of increasing the number of installs of this app increases by 0.62259 (62%). The ordinal variable Type can be interpreted as follows: with changing mobile app from free to paid the log of odds of increasing the number of installs of this app decreases by -2.03432 (-203%).

Comments on Intercepts: For example in case of intercept 1|5: it can be interpreted as the log of odds of having only 1 install versus having more than 1 install.

We can make an example based on our model:

Let's suppose that our mobile app developer has finished two applications with characteristic described below:

App 1 is a free app of genre Education and rating 4:

```
new_app <- data.frame('Rating'=4,'Type'='Free','Genres'='Education')</pre>
round(predict(model_fit,new_app,type = "p"), 3)
##
             1
                         5
                                    10
                                                50
                                                           100
                                                                       500
##
        0.001
                     0.001
                                 0.010
                                             0.008
                                                         0.046
                                                                     0.030
##
         1000
                      5000
                                 10000
                                             50000
                                                        100000
                                                                    500000
##
                     0.069
                                                                     0.060
        0.113
                                 0.157
                                             0.068
                                                         0.150
##
      1000000
                   5000000
                             10000000
                                          50000000
                                                     100000000
                                                                 50000000
                     0.050
##
        0.140
                                 0.065
                                             0.012
                                                         0.015
                                                                     0.002
##
   100000000
##
        0.002
```

App 2 is a paid app of genre Racing and rating 3.5:

```
new_app_2 <- data.frame('Rating'=3.5,'Type'='Paid','Genres'='Racing')</pre>
round(predict(model_fit,new_app_2,type = "p"), 3)
##
                         5
                                                            100
                                                                        500
             1
                                    10
                                                50
        0.001
                     0.002
                                             0.012
##
                                 0.015
                                                         0.066
                                                                     0.042
##
          1000
                      5000
                                 10000
                                             50000
                                                        100000
                                                                    500000
##
        0.147
                     0.083
                                 0.170
                                             0.067
                                                         0.135
                                                                     0.050
```

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5000000
##
      1000000
                             10000000
                                         50000000
                                                    100000000
                                                                50000000
##
        0.108
                    0.036
                                0.045
                                            0.008
                                                        0.010
                                                                    0.002
   1000000000
##
##
        0.001
```

Results: The first app has 15,7% chance to get 10 thousand downloads while the second app has 17% chances (highest) to get that number of installs. The first app has 6,5% chances to get 10 million downloads while the second app has 4,5% chances (lower) to get that number of installs.

3. CONCLUSIONS

When a mobile app developer is about to create an app and then launch it on the app stores, he/she always asks him/herself what are the features providing highest number of installs. In our report we propose a method of calculating expected number of installs knowing the type, genre and expected rating of an application.

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