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Videogames represent a large and growing proportion of the economy and consumer spending, largely due to the rise of E-sports; E-sports has drawn in competitive talent from across the world, as well as the attention of entrepreneurs, game developers, and viewers. As an avid E-sports fan, I've always been shocked by the huge cash prizes given out at tournaments, and wondered what contributes to a game's monetization. I wanted to explore two other game performance metrics I felt would be intimately related with E-Sports prize pools: consumer sales and game reviews. In order to get some insight to the relationship between a game's consumer success, audience reception, and E-sports monetization, I found three datasets dealing with individual metrics a number of game titles. The videogame sales dataset includes information on genre, publisher and number of copies sold by region (in millions) for over 15,000 games across over 100 platforms. The E-sports dataset has information on number of E-Sports tournaments held, total cash prize pool and total online cash prize pool for 492 unique games. The review dataset has both Metacritic and User score for 10,451 unique titles. All 3 datasets were found on kaggle's data repository, posted by different individuals.

I initially expected to see a strong positive association between both consumer sales and reception with E-sports distributions; as more people purchase and enjoy a game, I believe that the competitive pool would grow, enabling higher-skill competition, and more viewership of potential events; both of these factors should incentivize tournament hosts and sponsors to offer larger prize-pools, thereby solidifying their own spot in the market and attracting new talent. Despite this belief, I feel that certain games might be more conducive than others to high E-sports prize pools; factors like genre or platform might inherently make games more competitive or appealing to viewers, which would result in increased prize distributions. I also believe that E-sports distributions and review score would increase with publishing date; I think modern publishers are more capable of incorporating user feedback when making games, and would be able to quickly iron out poor reviews. Additionally, given the cash inflow to the E-Sports industry as awareness of the industry improves, I'd expect prize-pools to increase to accomodate larger venues, higher competition, greater viewership, and overall attract new talent to a game. Modern E-Sports players are often able to compete in multiple games within a genre, and publishers would be hesitant to let competitors steal their player-base; the easiest way to combat this would be to offer larger prize pools than any prior game in the same genre. However, there are several cult-classic games that maintain their prevalence in E-Sports and the videogame community despite their age and relatively low prize pools, suggesting that E-sports prize pools and game sales may be unrelated in certain cases.

```
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## -- Attaching packages -----  
  
## v ggplot2 3.3.2      v purrr  0.3.4  
## v tibble  3.0.3      v dplyr  1.0.2  
## v tidyr   1.1.2      v stringr 1.4.0  
## v readr   1.3.1      v forcats 0.5.0  
  
## -- Conflicts -----  
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()  
## x dplyr::lag()    masks stats::lag()
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esports <- read.csv("GeneralEsportData.csv")
vg_sales <- read.csv("vg_sales.csv")
vg_reviews <- read.csv("result.csv")
inner_join(esports, vg_sales, by = c("Game" = "Name")) -> vg_dat

vg_dat %>% mutate(Name_Console = paste(Game, Platform, sep = "_")) -> vg_dat_cl
vg_reviews %>% mutate(Name_Console = paste(name, console, sep = "_")) -> vg_reviews_cl

inner_join(vg_dat_cl, vg_reviews_cl, by = "Name_Console") -> vg_dat_full
length(unique(esports$Game))

## [1] 492

glimpse(vg_reviews)

## Rows: 15,647
## Columns: 5
## $ metascore <int> 97, 97, 95, 94, 94, 93, 93, 92, 92, 91, 91, 91, 91, 90, 9...
## $ name <chr> "Grand Theft Auto V", "Grand Theft Auto V", "The Last of ...
## $ console <chr> "PS3", "X360", "PS3", "PS3", "PC", "X360", "WIIU", "3DS",...
## $ userscore <chr> "8.3", "8.3", "9.2", "8.5", "8.6", "8.5", "8.9", "9.1", "...
## $ date <chr> "17-Sep-13", "17-Sep-13", "14-Jun-13", "26-Mar-13", "25-M...

vg_dat_full %>% select(-Year, -Genre.y, -Name_Console, -name, -date, -console) -> video_games

```

All three datasets were in wide format to begin which was kept for ease of joining; the sales and esports datasets were joined first on game to produce the `vg_dat` dataset. I then used the game and console variables in the `vg_dat` dataset and the review dataset to create the temporary variable `Name_Console`, which was then used to join the datasets; this allowed me to retain granularity in console variable, since I felt this may be important for game performance. The original E-sports dataset includes information on 492 games, while the videogame sales dataset includes data on 16,598 games, and the review dataset contains information for 15,647 games. Since I'm primarily interested in the interaction of E-sports prize pools, game reception, and consumer sales, I chose to perform an inner join for each merge step; the resulting dataset includes games with E-sports prize pool, review and sales information. Including games that only appeared in two or fewer datasets would not be useful for my main topic of interest, and would unnecessarily increase the dataset size. The merge step produced a complete dataset that would be useful in examining the interaction of consumer success and E-sports prize pools; this dataset contained tournament and prize distribution data, as well as sales data by region and platform, for 111 unique games. The choice of data introduced a significant error to the data: the videogame sales data listed the publisher of *World of Tanks* for the XBox-360 as "N/A", instead of Wargaming.net, which was manually verified and fixed. The dataset was then pivoted longer for relevant numerical columns.

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## Conversion of Sales Data
video_games %>% mutate(NA_Sales = NA_Sales * 1000000, EU_Sales = EU_Sales * 1000000, JP_Sales = JP_Sales * 1000000)

video_games %>% mutate(userscore = as.numeric(userscore)*10, score_dev = (userscore - metascore)^2) -> video_games
video_games %>% mutate(ReleaseDate = as.character(ReleaseDate)) -> video_games
video_games %>% mutate(Dist_per_Tournament = TotalEarnings/TotalTournaments) -> video_games
video_games %>% pivot_longer(c(TotalEarnings:Rank, NA_Sales:Global_Sales, metascore, userscore, score_dev))

## Global Sales Breakdown
opts <- options(knitr.kable.NA = "")

video_games_long %>% select(Publisher, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "Global_Sales") %>% group_by(Publisher)

```

Table 1: Global Sales Metrics for Top 10 Publishers

| Publisher                              | Total       | StDev        | Minimum   | Maximum    |
|--|-------------|--------------|-----------|------------|
| Activision                             | 155,600,000 | 4,946,251.51 | 20,000    | 14,760,000 |
| Electronic Arts                        | 92,250,000  | 2,299,688.73 | 30,000    | 8,490,000  |
| Microsoft Game Studios                 | 66,300,000  | 4,126,286.16 | 20,000    | 12,140,000 |
| Sony Computer Entertainment            | 30,840,000  | 5,520,905.72 | 4,200,000 | 14,980,000 |
| Namco Bandai Games                     | 18,060,000  | 1,522,333.73 | 320,000   | 4,050,000  |
| Konami Digital Entertainment           | 12,500,000  | 934,930.61   | 40,000    | 3,630,000  |
| Capcom                                 | 9,890,000   | 1,340,749.17 | 20,000    | 4,190,000  |
| Nintendo                               | 7,070,000   |              | 7,070,000 | 7,070,000  |
| Warner Bros. Interactive Entertainment | 5,410,000   | 1,084,139.44 | 50,000    | 2,700,000  |
| Midway Games                           | 3,930,000   | 49,497.47    | 1,930,000 | 2,000,000  |

```
video_games_long %>% select(Platform, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "Global_Sales") %>% group_by(Platform)
```

Table 2: Global Sales Metrics for Top 10 Platforms

| Platform | Total       | StDev       | Minimum | Maximum    |
|----------|-------------|-------------|---------|------------|
| X360     | 174,690,000 | 4,242,402.7 | 70,000  | 14,760,000 |
| PS3      | 101,760,000 | 3,764,458.6 | 100,000 | 13,460,000 |
| PS2      | 61,090,000  | 4,046,243.5 | 40,000  | 14,980,000 |
| PS4      | 52,320,000  | 2,548,354.0 | 40,000  | 8,490,000  |
| PC       | 18,890,000  | 586,147.6   | 10,000  | 2,790,000  |
| GC       | 8,690,000   | 2,756,043.7 | 220,000 | 7,070,000  |
| PSP      | 2,190,000   | 390,843.1   | 130,000 | 980,000    |
| DS       | 1,690,000   | 304,055.9   | 630,000 | 1,060,000  |
| GBA      | 460,000     | 113,137.1   | 150,000 | 310,000    |
| PS       | 420,000     |             | 420,000 | 420,000    |

```
video_games_long %>% select(Genre.x, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "Global_Sales") %>% group_by(Genre.x)
```

Table 3: Global Sales Metrics for Top 10 Genres

| Genre.x              | Total       | StDev       | Minimum   | Maximum    |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| First-Person Shooter | 213,820,000 | 4,579,390.3 | 10,000    | 14,760,000 |
| Sports               | 72,790,000  | 2,154,401.0 | 10,000    | 8,490,000  |
| Racing               | 57,790,000  | 3,653,802.5 | 30,000    | 14,980,000 |
| Fighting Game        | 53,700,000  | 1,487,525.4 | 20,000    | 7,070,000  |
| Third-Person Shooter | 19,130,000  | 3,187,395.8 | 20,000    | 6,760,000  |
| Role-Playing Game    | 2,300,000   |             | 2,300,000 | 2,300,000  |
| Strategy             | 1,960,000   | 163,892.1   | 30,000    | 470,000    |
| Puzzle Game          | 1,040,000   | 282,842.7   | 320,000   | 720,000    |

```
video_games_long %>% select(ReleaseDate, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "Global_Sales") %>% group_by(ReleaseDate)
```

Table 4: Global Sales Metrics for Top 10 Release Years

| ReleaseDate | Total      | StDev     | Minimum | Maximum    |
|-------------|------------|-----------|---------|------------|
| 2011        | 65,290,000 | 4,413,810 | 60,000  | 14,760,000 |
| 2007        | 61,370,000 | 2,952,773 | 10,000  | 12,140,000 |
| 2013        | 55,790,000 | 3,035,298 | 110,000 | 10,210,000 |
| 2009        | 46,200,000 | 4,019,136 | 60,000  | 13,510,000 |
| 2010        | 40,040,000 | 6,287,898 | 110,000 | 14,640,000 |
| 2001        | 27,110,000 | 5,748,921 | 40,000  | 14,980,000 |
| 2004        | 19,560,000 | 3,796,581 | 20,000  | 11,660,000 |
| 2014        | 17,900,000 | 2,642,708 | 30,000  | 7,600,000  |
| 2012        | 17,640,000 | 2,687,983 | 20,000  | 9,760,000  |
| 2015        | 13,660,000 | 2,530,643 | 20,000  | 8,490,000  |

```
## Publisher Contribution for platforms
```

```
video_games_long %>% select(Publisher, Platform, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "Global_Sales") %>%
```

Table 5: Global Sales Metrics for Top 10 Publisher-Platform Pairs

| Publisher                   | Platform | Total      | StDev     | Minimum    | Maximum    |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Activision                  | X360     | 70,960,000 | 6,041,794 | 380,000    | 14,760,000 |
| Microsoft Game Studios      | X360     | 65,570,000 | 3,347,812 | 470,000    | 12,140,000 |
| Activision                  | PS3      | 56,900,000 | 5,296,440 | 350,000    | 13,460,000 |
| Electronic Arts             | PS4      | 26,960,000 | 3,027,042 | 200,000    | 8,490,000  |
| Sony Computer Entertainment | PS2      | 26,640,000 | 2,347,595 | 11,660,000 | 14,980,000 |
| Electronic Arts             | PS3      | 23,570,000 | 2,775,438 | 570,000    | 7,230,000  |
| Electronic Arts             | X360     | 23,540,000 | 2,143,010 | 540,000    | 7,340,000  |
| Activision                  | PS4      | 12,960,000 | 2,995,213 | 1,730,000  | 7,600,000  |
| Namco Bandai Games          | PS2      | 11,360,000 | 313,422   | 3,440,000  | 4,050,000  |
| Electronic Arts             | PS2      | 9,490,000  | 1,921,516 | 1,160,000  | 5,230,000  |

```
## Genre Contribution for platforms
```

```
video_games_long %>% select(Genre.x, Platform, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "Global_Sales") %>%
```

Table 6: Global Sales Metrics for Top 10 Genre-Platform Pairs

| Genre.x              | Platform | Total       | StDev       | Minimum   | Maximum    |
|----------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| First-Person Shooter | X360     | 110,370,000 | 5,528,375.5 | 340,000   | 14,760,000 |
| First-Person Shooter | PS3      | 66,340,000  | 4,973,378.5 | 350,000   | 13,460,000 |
| Racing               | PS2      | 30,360,000  | 6,720,113.1 | 1,160,000 | 14,980,000 |
| Sports               | PS4      | 25,580,000  | 3,035,551.6 | 200,000   | 8,490,000  |
| First-Person Shooter | PS4      | 21,540,000  | 2,319,853.4 | 950,000   | 7,600,000  |
| Racing               | X360     | 20,660,000  | 1,732,016.4 | 1,290,000 | 5,510,000  |
| Third-Person Shooter | X360     | 19,110,000  | 343,947.7   | 6,110,000 | 6,760,000  |
| Fighting Game        | PS2      | 16,310,000  | 1,584,653.5 | 40,000    | 4,050,000  |
| Sports               | PS3      | 16,200,000  | 1,993,276.2 | 570,000   | 6,900,000  |
| Fighting Game        | PS3      | 14,560,000  | 1,226,860.0 | 100,000   | 4,190,000  |

### ## E-Sports Distribution Breakdown

```
video_games_long %>% select(Publisher, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "TotalEarnings") %>% group_by(Publisher)
```

Table 7: Total E-Sports Earnings for Top 10 Publishers

| Publisher                              | Average     | StDev       | Minimum      | Maximum      |
|--|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| 505 Games                              | 4,598,705.1 | 5,202,202.4 | 4,901.26     | 9,103,504.9  |
| Wargaming.net                          | 3,656,496.6 |             | 3,656,496.59 | 3,656,496.6  |
| Nintendo                               | 3,208,949.7 |             | 3,208,949.74 | 3,208,949.7  |
| Activision                             | 1,696,628.0 | 4,912,198.9 | 50.00        | 22,049,333.3 |
| DreamCatcher Interactive               | 1,015,000.0 |             | 1,015,000.00 | 1,015,000.0  |
| Vivendi Games                          | 941,640.1   | 1,451,406.9 | 178,000.00   | 3,117,222.3  |
| Capcom                                 | 477,668.3   | 835,664.2   | 300.00       | 2,202,726.4  |
| NCSOFT                                 | 476,005.5   |             | 476,005.50   | 476,005.5    |
| Microsoft Game Studios                 | 370,260.8   | 597,042.0   | 132.37       | 2,158,079.4  |
| Warner Bros. Interactive Entertainment | 279,354.7   | 281,952.2   | 35,176.89    | 523,532.4    |

```
video_games_long %>% select(Platform, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "TotalEarnings") %>% group_by(Platform)
```

Table 8: Total E-Sports Earnings for Top 10 Platforms

| Platform | Average      | StDev        | Minimum    | Maximum       |
|----------|--------------|--------------|------------|---------------|
| PS4      | 1,822,807.59 | 4,816,584.62 | 0.00       | 22,049,333.28 |
| PC       | 979,417.91   | 3,193,907.53 | 0.00       | 22,049,333.28 |
| GC       | 543,405.85   | 1,305,912.30 | 50.00      | 3,208,949.74  |
| DS       | 398,062.48   | 31,493.11    | 375,793.48 | 420,331.47    |
| X360     | 212,674.56   | 423,495.73   | 0.00       | 2,158,079.40  |
| PS3      | 151,186.80   | 336,921.54   | 0.00       | 1,594,185.25  |
| PSP      | 39,262.45    | 54,537.70    | 2,084.15   | 119,874.64    |
| 3DS      | 24,591.01    |              | 24,591.01  | 24,591.01     |
| PS2      | 14,253.44    | 23,135.13    | 0.00       | 89,000.00     |
| PS       | 7,679.25     |              | 7,679.25   | 7,679.25      |

```
video_games_long %>% select(Genre.x, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "TotalEarnings") %>% group_by(Genre.x)
```

Table 9: Total E-Sports Earnings for Top 10 Genres

| Genre.x              | Average      | StDev        |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| First-Person Shooter | 1,245,672.74 | 3,929,595.25 |
| Sports               | 521,741.72   | 1,920,184.53 |
| Role-Playing Game    | 476,005.50   |              |
| Strategy             | 353,366.41   | 1,043,425.51 |
| Fighting Game        | 251,067.63   | 652,911.35   |
| Third-Person Shooter | 161,661.74   | 116,825.78   |
| Racing               | 34,111.76    | 53,134.08    |
| Puzzle Game          | 1,545.00     | 0.00         |

### ## Publisher + Platform Distribution Breakdown

```
video_games_long %>% select(Publisher, Platform, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "TotalEarnings") %>% group_by(Publisher, Platform)
```

Table 10: Total E-Sports Earnings for Top 10 Publisher-Platform Pairs

| Publisher                | Platform | Average     | StDev        | Minimum      | Maximum    |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| 505 Games                | PC       | 9,103,504.9 |              | 9,103,504.89 | 9,103,505  |
| Activision               | PS4      | 8,750,775.8 | 11,528,056.6 | 1,594,185.25 | 22,049,333 |
| 505 Games                | PS4      | 4,643,207.1 | 6,307,813.6  | 182,909.30   | 9,103,505  |
| Wargaming.net            | PC       | 3,656,496.6 |              | 3,656,496.59 | 3,656,497  |
| Nintendo                 | GC       | 3,208,949.7 |              | 3,208,949.74 | 3,208,950  |
| Activision               | PC       | 2,660,391.5 | 6,478,645.9  | 60,923.12    | 22,049,333 |
| Vivendi Games            | PC       | 1,705,280.3 | 1,996,787.6  | 293,338.23   | 3,117,222  |
| Capcom                   | PS4      | 1,509,719.9 | 980,059.2    | 816,713.46   | 2,202,726  |
| DreamCatcher Interactive | PC       | 1,015,000.0 |              | 1,015,000.00 | 1,015,000  |
| Capcom                   | PC       | 764,918.4   | 1,245,760.3  | 7,938.22     | 2,202,726  |

## Platform + Genre Distribution Breakdown

```
video_games_long %>% select(Genre.x, Platform, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "TotalEarnings") %>%
```

Table 11: Total E-Sports Earnings for Top 10 Genre-Platform Pairs

| Genre.x              | Platform | Average     | StDev       | Minimum    | Maximum      |
|----------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| First-Person Shooter | PS4      | 4,445,973.0 | 8,683,319.5 | 46,235.07  | 22,049,333.3 |
| Fighting Game        | GC       | 1,604,499.9 | 2,269,034.8 | 50.00      | 3,208,949.7  |
| First-Person Shooter | PC       | 1,440,032.1 | 4,372,846.0 | 4,901.26   | 22,049,333.3 |
| Sports               | PC       | 1,216,724.3 | 2,995,529.6 | 0.00       | 9,103,504.9  |
| Sports               | PS4      | 1,151,631.1 | 2,830,778.9 | 0.00       | 9,103,504.9  |
| Fighting Game        | PS4      | 709,903.3   | 904,616.2   | 1,994.00   | 2,202,726.4  |
| Fighting Game        | PC       | 704,571.9   | 1,024,294.5 | 7,938.22   | 2,202,726.4  |
| First-Person Shooter | X360     | 514,844.3   | 627,620.1   | 5,000.00   | 2,158,079.4  |
| Role-Playing Game    | PC       | 476,005.5   |             | 476,005.50 | 476,005.5    |
| First-Person Shooter | PS3      | 417,908.3   | 534,327.2   | 5,000.00   | 1,594,185.2  |

## Average Distribution per Tournament

```
video_games_long %>% select(Publisher, Platform, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric == "Dist_per_Tournament") %>%
```

Table 12: Distribution per Tournament for top publishers

| Publisher                    | Platform | Average   | StDev     |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| DreamCatcher Interactive     | PC       | 78,076.92 |           |
| Wargaming.net                | PC       | 73,129.93 |           |
| Sony Computer Entertainment  | PS4      | 46,235.07 |           |
| Tecmo Koei                   | X360     | 38,288.10 |           |
| Vivendi Games                | PS3      | 35,600.00 |           |
| Vivendi Games                | X360     | 35,600.00 |           |
| Microsoft Game Studios       | X360     | 27,111.22 | 33,469.42 |
| Konami Digital Entertainment | PS4      | 21,084.67 | 14,600.88 |
| Konami Digital Entertainment | PC       | 20,165.22 | 13,606.92 |
| Activision                   | PS4      | 19,076.66 | 11,784.85 |

## Review Breakdown

```
video_games_long %>% select(Publisher, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric %in% c("userscore")) %>% group_by(Publisher) %>% summarise(Average = mean(Value), StDev = sd(Value), Minimum = min(Value), Maximum = max(Value))
```

Table 13: Userscore for top 10 Publishers

| Metric    | Publisher                   | Average | StDev | Minimum | Maximum |
|-----------|-----------------------------|---------|-------|---------|---------|
| userscore | Nintendo                    | 91.00   |       | 91      | 91      |
| userscore | Virgin Interactive          | 86.00   |       | 86      | 86      |
| userscore | Unknown                     | 85.50   | 2.12  | 84      | 87      |
| userscore | Atari                       | 85.33   | 4.62  | 80      | 88      |
| userscore | Sony Computer Entertainment | 84.33   | 1.53  | 83      | 86      |
| userscore | DreamCatcher Interactive    | 81.00   |       | 81      | 81      |
| userscore | NCSoft                      | 81.00   |       | 81      | 81      |
| userscore | Sega                        | 81.00   | 11.31 | 73      | 89      |
| userscore | Deep Silver                 | 80.50   | 0.71  | 80      | 81      |
| userscore | Namco Bandai Games          | 80.00   | 5.52  | 70      | 87      |

```
video_games_long %>% select(Publisher, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric %in% c("metascore")) %>% group_by(Publisher) %>% summarise(Average = mean(Value), StDev = sd(Value), Minimum = min(Value), Maximum = max(Value))
```

Table 14: Critic Score for top 10 Publishers

| Metric    | Publisher                   | Average | StDev | Minimum | Maximum |
|-----------|-----------------------------|---------|-------|---------|---------|
| metascore | Sony Computer Entertainment | 92.33   | 3.06  | 89      | 95      |
| metascore | Nintendo                    | 92.00   |       | 92      | 92      |
| metascore | NCSoft                      | 90.00   |       | 90      | 90      |
| metascore | Sega                        | 89.00   | 5.66  | 85      | 93      |
| metascore | Microsoft Game Studios      | 85.59   | 8.67  | 66      | 94      |
| metascore | Atari                       | 85.33   | 8.02  | 77      | 93      |
| metascore | Vivendi Games               | 83.50   | 7.85  | 72      | 89      |
| metascore | THQ                         | 83.33   | 2.66  | 80      | 86      |
| metascore | Capcom                      | 82.33   | 7.28  | 71      | 94      |
| metascore | Namco Bandai Games          | 81.89   | 3.10  | 79      | 88      |

```
video_games_long %>% select(Platform, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric %in% c("userscore")) %>% group_by(Platform) %>% summarise(Average = mean(Value), StDev = sd(Value), Minimum = min(Value), Maximum = max(Value))
```

Table 15: Userscore for top 10 publishers

| Metric    | Platform | Average | StDev | Minimum | Maximum |
|-----------|----------|---------|-------|---------|---------|
| userscore | DC       | 86.00   |       | 86      | 86      |
| userscore | PS2      | 83.00   | 6.48  | 64      | 89      |
| userscore | GBA      | 72.50   | 9.19  | 66      | 79      |
| userscore | GC       | 71.83   | 15.33 | 46      | 91      |
| userscore | X360     | 70.35   | 13.66 | 26      | 85      |
| userscore | PSP      | 69.25   | 8.54  | 64      | 82      |
| userscore | PS       | 69.00   |       | 69      | 69      |
| userscore | DS       | 66.50   | 7.78  | 61      | 72      |
| userscore | PS3      | 66.30   | 14.22 | 26      | 85      |
| userscore | PC       | 66.21   | 19.38 | 21      | 89      |

```
video_games_long %>% select(Platform, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric %in% c("metascore")) %>% group_by(Platform, Metric) %>% summarise(Average = mean(Value), StDev = sd(Value), Minimum = min(Value), Maximum = max(Value))
```

Table 16: Critic score for top 10 publishers

| Metric    | Platform | Average | StDev | Minimum | Maximum |
|-----------|----------|---------|-------|---------|---------|
| metascore | X360     | 83.12   | 7.78  | 56      | 94      |
| metascore | PS2      | 83.00   | 7.49  | 67      | 95      |
| metascore | PC       | 82.39   | 5.80  | 68      | 93      |
| metascore | GC       | 81.83   | 9.95  | 70      | 94      |
| metascore | PS3      | 81.27   | 7.19  | 60      | 94      |
| metascore | PS4      | 80.43   | 7.25  | 60      | 93      |
| metascore | DC       | 80.00   |       | 80      | 80      |
| metascore | PSP      | 77.00   | 5.72  | 69      | 82      |
| metascore | GBA      | 76.50   | 9.19  | 70      | 83      |
| metascore | DS       | 74.50   | 0.71  | 74      | 75      |

```
video_games_long %>% select(Platform, Metric, Value) %>% filter(Metric %in% c("score_dev")) %>% group_by(Platform, Metric) %>% summarise(Average = mean(Value), StDev = sd(Value), Minimum = min(Value), Maximum = max(Value))
```

Table 17: Squared Deviation of Critics and Users

| Metric    | Platform | Average | StDev  |
|-----------|----------|---------|--------|
| score_dev | PC       | 524.14  | 784.88 |
| score_dev | PS4      | 518.00  | 549.06 |
| score_dev | PS3      | 448.36  | 712.30 |
| score_dev | X360     | 345.94  | 612.21 |
| score_dev | GC       | 257.67  | 281.44 |
| score_dev | PSP      | 95.25   | 101.56 |
| score_dev | DS       | 89.00   | 113.14 |
| score_dev | DC       | 36.00   |        |
| score_dev | PS2      | 35.88   | 43.03  |
| score_dev | GBA      | 16.00   | 0.00   |

```
## Correlation Matrix
video_games_cordat <- video_games %>% select_if(is.numeric) %>% select(-Dist_per_Tournament, -Rank)
video_games_cor <- video_games_cordat %>% cor(use = "pairwise.complete.obs", method = "spearman")
```

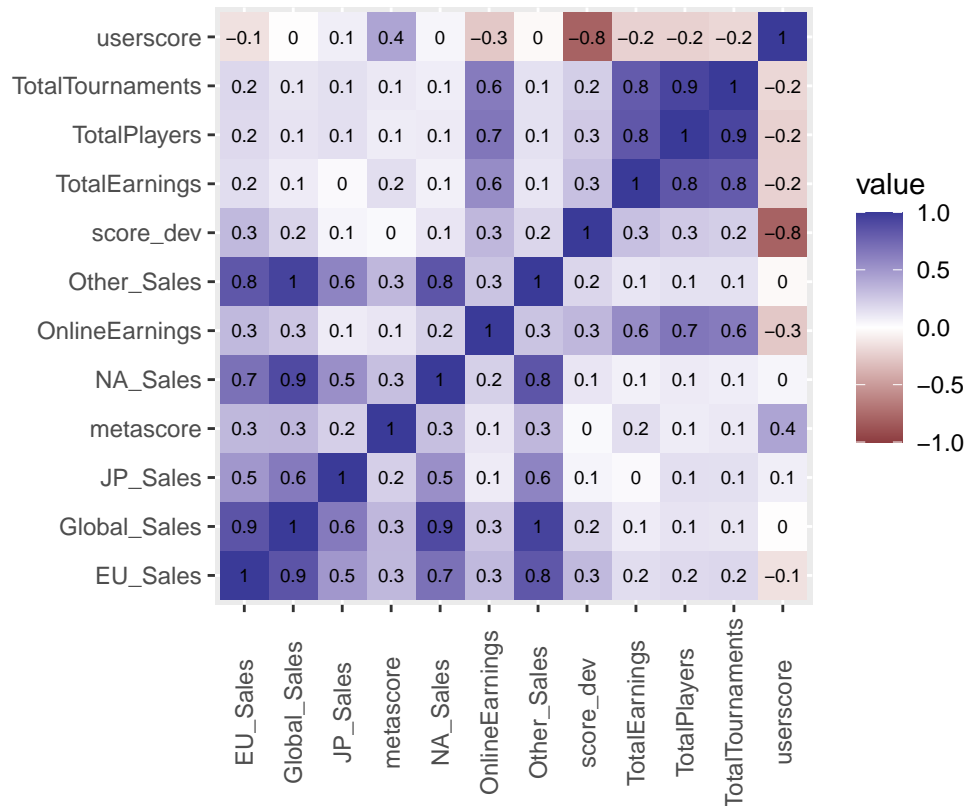
Taking a look first at which publishers dominate the consumer market, well-known players like Activision, EA, and Microsoft Games Ranks highly on global sales, followed by smaller producers like Namco-Bandai and Capcom. It's also clear that the Xbox-360 and PS3 are the two most significant gaming platforms by total sales, potentially due to the age of the datasets used; First-Person Shooters, Sports, Fighting, and Racing Games all rank highly for global sales. Activision seems to produce the most consumer-relevant games, making up a significant portion of sales for both the Xbox-360 and the PS3.

While 505 Games has the highest average E-Sports prize pool of any publisher, the high standard deviation corresponds to the relative commercial failure of all games except Rocket League, which has become a staple in E-Sports competitions. It seems like the highest average prize pools correspond to games made on the Xbox-One and PS4; the high average prize pool might suggest an increase in spending by sponsors and hosts for tournaments played on modern game platforms, or could result from general increases in viewership. Regardless of platform, First-Person Shooter, Strategy, Fighting, and Sports Games rank highly for average prize pools; this similarity with the genres that had high consumer success suggest that certain genres are more likely to appeal to videogamers, who then drive viewership and prize pools for the game up. Surprisingly,



there was high variability in the average prize pool for each publisher scaled by the number of consumer sales made; this somewhat discredits the stated rationale for increases in prize pools, since certain game's prize pools seem to be disproportionately large compared to their player base.

```
library(ggpubr)
video_games_cor %>% as.data.frame %>% rownames_to_column %>% pivot_longer(-1) %>% na.omit %>% ggplot
scale_fill_gradient2(low="#8d3c40",high="#3a3a98", limits = c(-1,1)) + theme(axis.text.x = element_text
```



The shown correlation plot indicates weak relationships between metrics for E-Sports prize pools and consumer success; this suggests that the two metrics of game performance may not be related in the way I initially thought, or that there are other factors which contribute to E-Sports prize pool which are independent of consumer sales.

```
library(ggribes)

## Warning: package 'ggribes' was built under R version 4.0.3

library(gridExtra)

##
## Attaching package: 'gridExtra'

## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##      combine

library(gtable)
library(grid)
require(scales)
```

```
## Loading required package: scales

##
## Attaching package: 'scales'

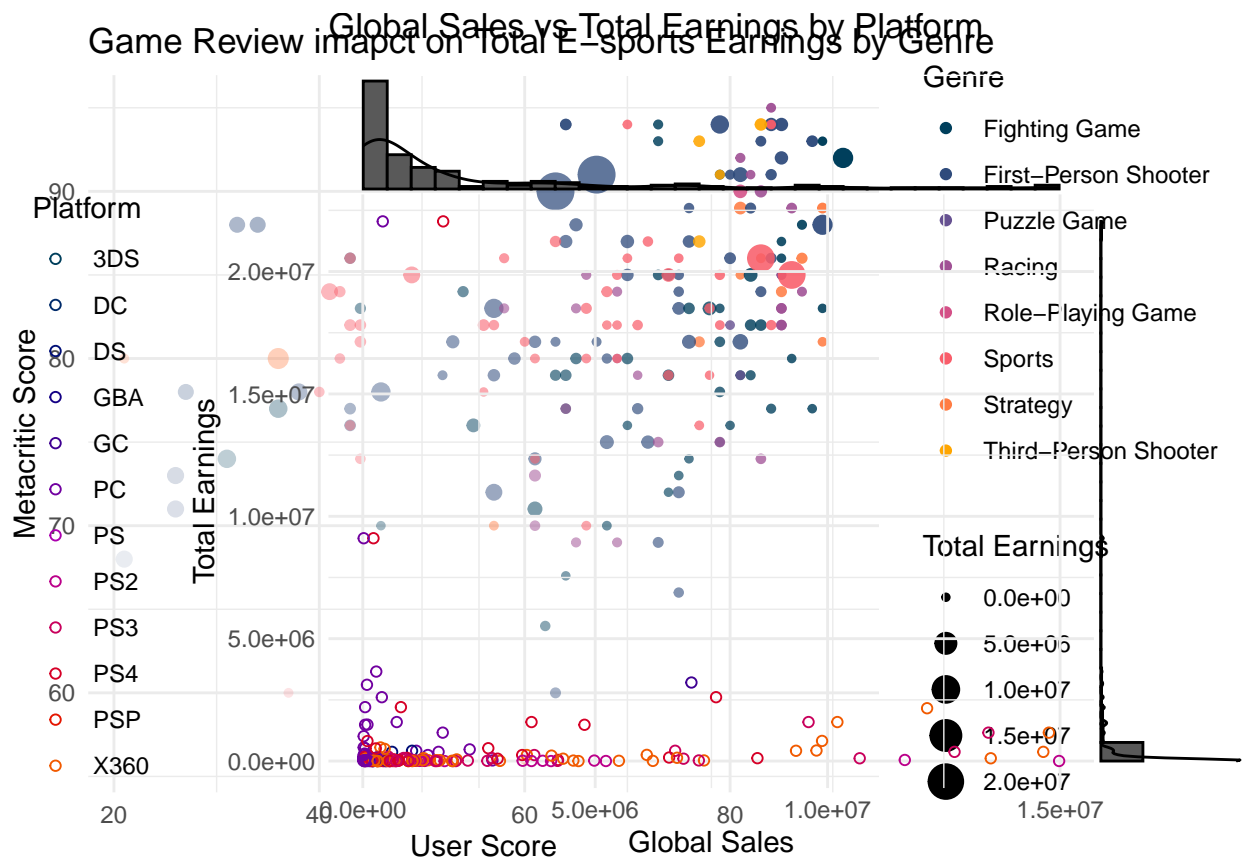
## The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':
##
##   discard

## The following object is masked from 'package:readr':
##
##   col_factor

cust_palette13 <- c("#003f5c", "#002b6a", "#000f77", "#140085", "#3f0092", "#7100a0", "#ab00ae", "#bb008a", "#c00000", "#ff0000", "#ff0000", "#ff0000")
cust_palette8 <- c("#003f5c", "#2f4b7c", "#665191", "#a05195", "#d45087", "#f95d6a", "#ff7c43", "#ffa600")
cust_palette3 <- c("#003f5c", "#bc5090", "#ffa600")

video_games %>% group_by(Genre.x) %>% ggplot(aes(x = userscore, y = metascore, color = Genre.x)) + geom_point()

video_games %>% group_by(Platform) %>% select(Platform, TotalEarnings, Global_Sales) %>% ggplot(aes(y = TotalEarnings, x = Global_Sales)) +
  scatter %>% ggExtra::ggMarginal(type = "densigram")
```

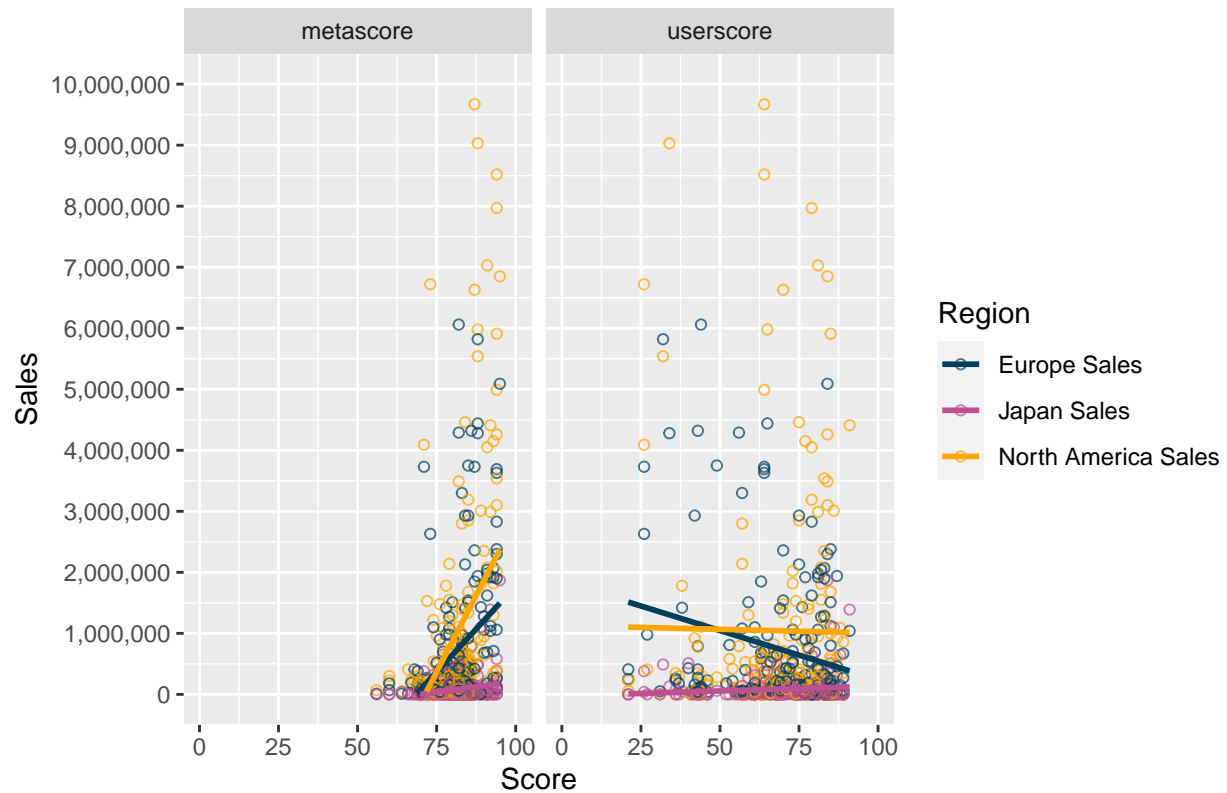


```
video_games %>% select(userscore, metascore, NA_Sales, EU_Sales, JP_Sales) %>% pivot_longer(userscore:metascore, values_to = "score")

## `geom_smooth()` using formula 'y ~ x'

## Warning: Removed 86 rows containing missing values (geom_smooth).
```

## Review Score Impact on Regional Sales

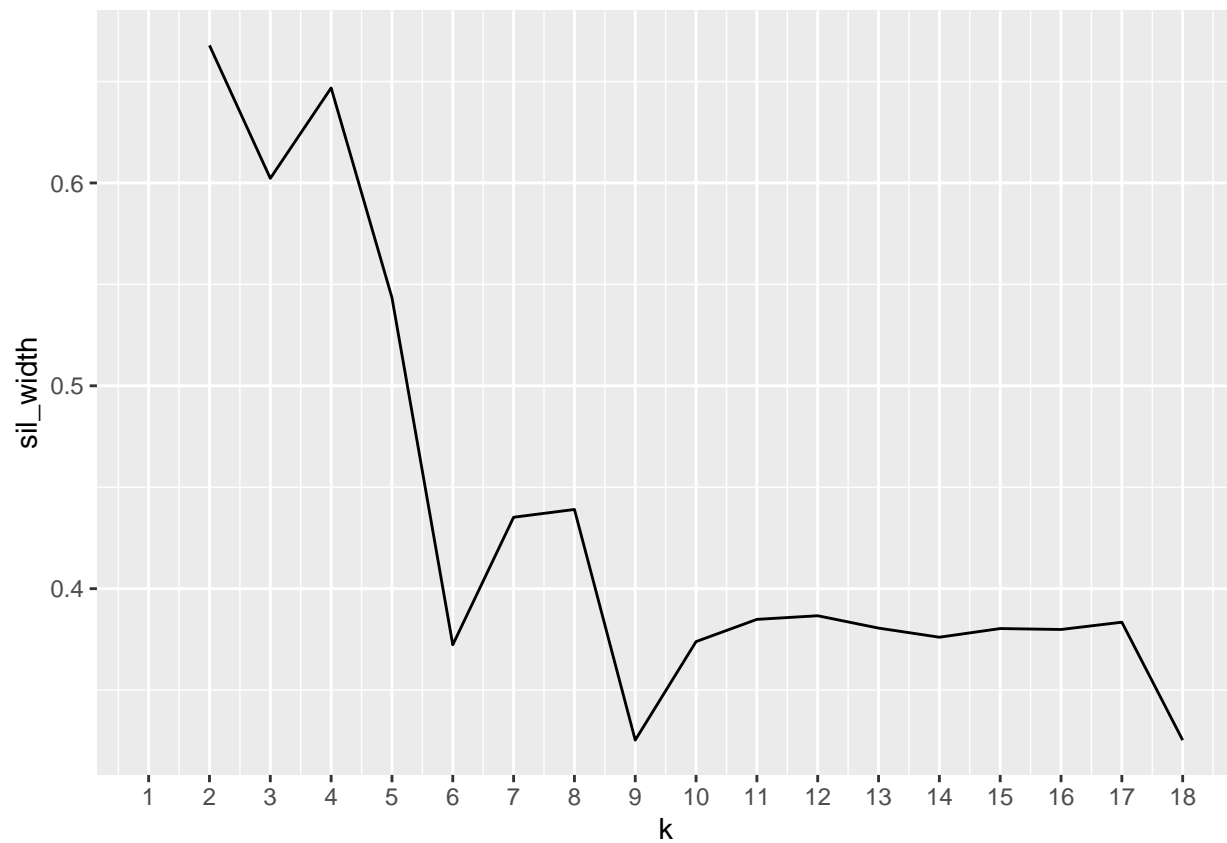


As shown above, there seems to be a general increase in E-Sports prize pools for the highest

```
library(cluster)
#PAM
sil_width <- c()

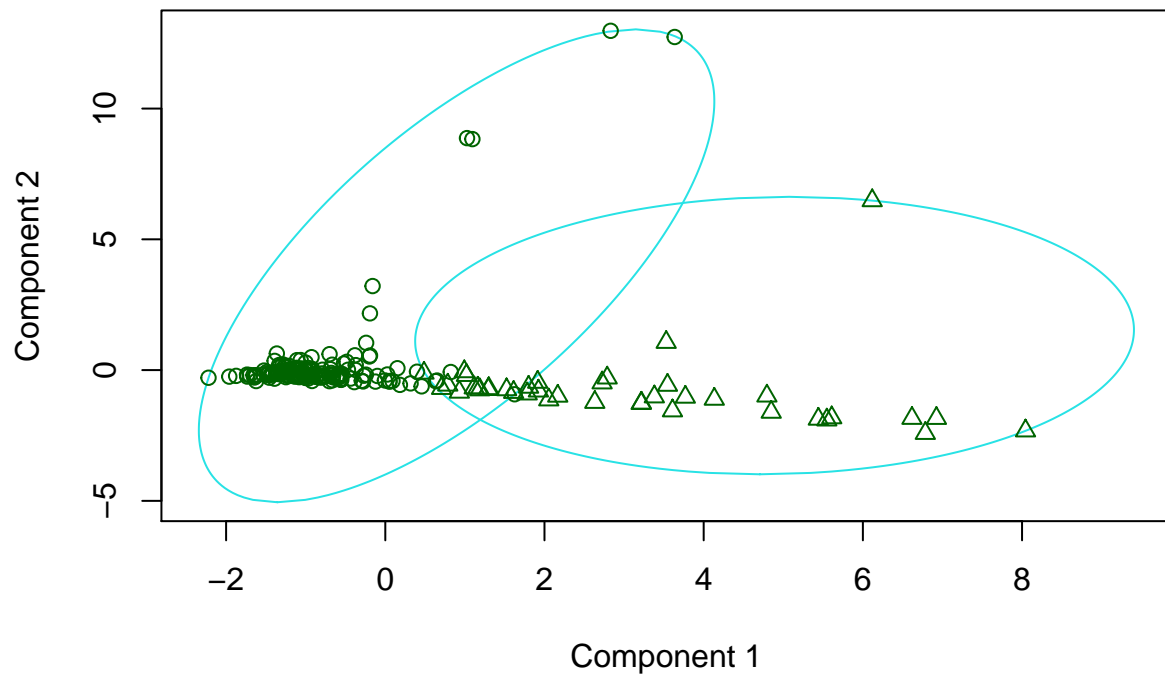
for (i in 1:18) {
  pam1 <- pam(video_games_cordat, k = i)
  sil_width[i] <- pam1$silinfo$avg.width
}
ggplot() + geom_line(aes(x=1:18, y = sil_width)) + scale_x_continuous(name = "k", breaks = 1:18)

## Warning: Removed 1 row(s) containing missing values (geom_path).
```



```
plot(pam(video_games_cordat, 2))
```

**clusplot(pam(x = video\_games\_cordat, k = 2))**



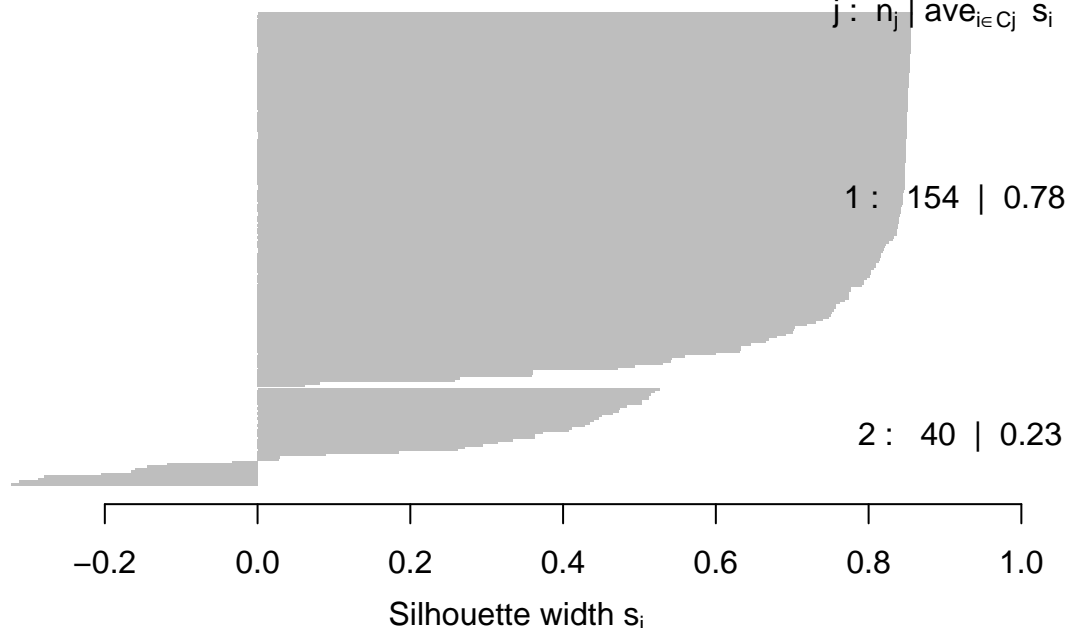
These two components explain 57.66 % of the point variability.

## Silhouette plot of pam(x = video\_games\_cordat, k = 2)

n = 194

2 clusters  $C_j$

$j : n_j \mid \text{ave}_{i \in C_j} s_i$



Average silhouette width : 0.67

```
video_games_cor %>% scale() -> vg_pca
vg_pca1 <- princomp(vg_pca)
summary(vg_pca1)
```

## Importance of components:

|                           | Comp.1    | Comp.2    | Comp.3     | Comp.4    | Comp.5     |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| ## Standard deviation     | 2.4050153 | 1.8443720 | 0.88670100 | 0.7632699 | 0.50092244 |
| ## Proportion of Variance | 0.5258271 | 0.3092462 | 0.07147624 | 0.0529619 | 0.02281121 |
| ## Cumulative Proportion  | 0.5258271 | 0.8350733 | 0.90654959 | 0.9595115 | 0.98232270 |

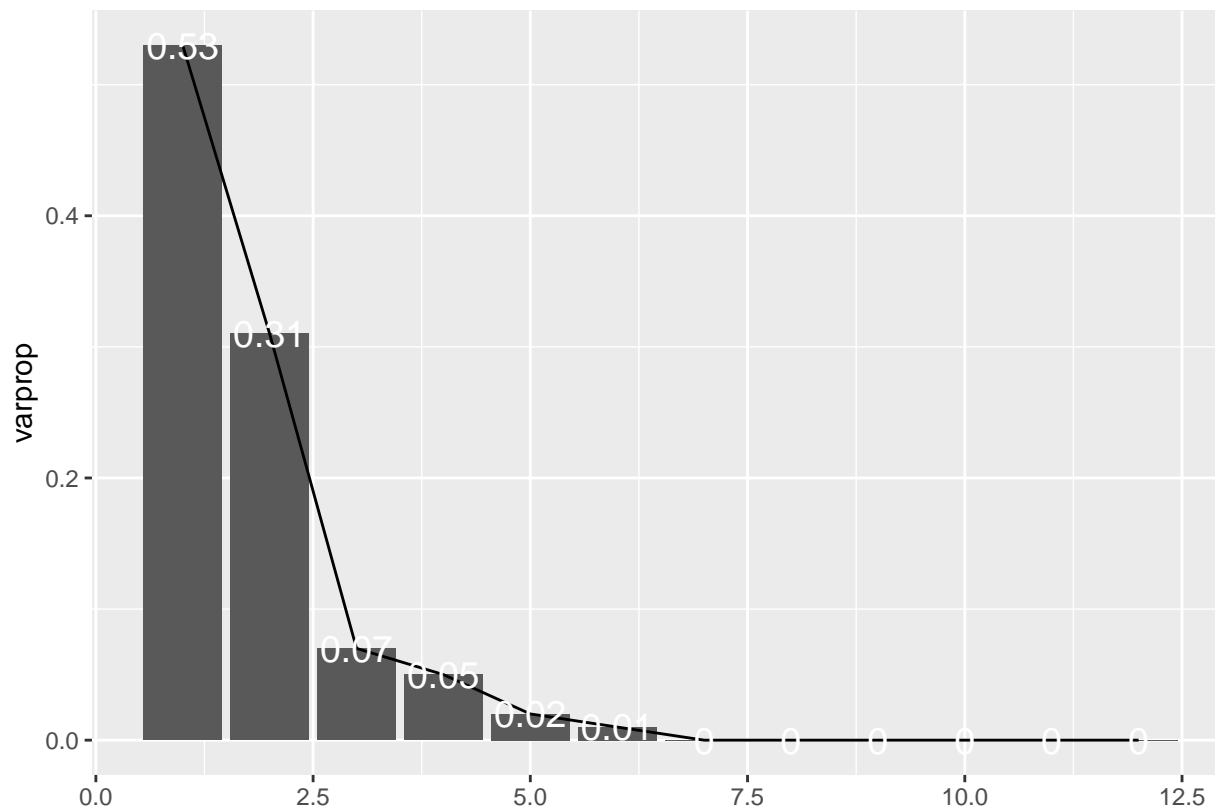
|                           | Comp.6     | Comp.7      | Comp.8      | Comp.9       |
|---------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| ## Standard deviation     | 0.34836167 | 0.216555935 | 0.130959831 | 0.0805001718 |
| ## Proportion of Variance | 0.01103235 | 0.004263316 | 0.001559134 | 0.0005891162 |
| ## Cumulative Proportion  | 0.99335505 | 0.997618364 | 0.999177499 | 0.9997666147 |

|                           | Comp.10      | Comp.11      | Comp.12 |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------|
| ## Standard deviation     | 0.0445760109 | 2.408770e-02 | 0       |
| ## Proportion of Variance | 0.0001806382 | 5.274702e-05 | 0       |
| ## Cumulative Proportion  | 0.9999472530 | 1.000000e+00 | 1       |

```
eigval <- vg_pca1$sdev^2
varprop = round(eigval/sum(eigval), 2)
```

```
ggplot() + geom_bar(aes(y = varprop, x = 1:12), stat = "identity") + xlab("") + geom_path(aes(x = 1:12,
```



```
summary(vg_pca1, loadings = T)
```

```
## Importance of components:
```

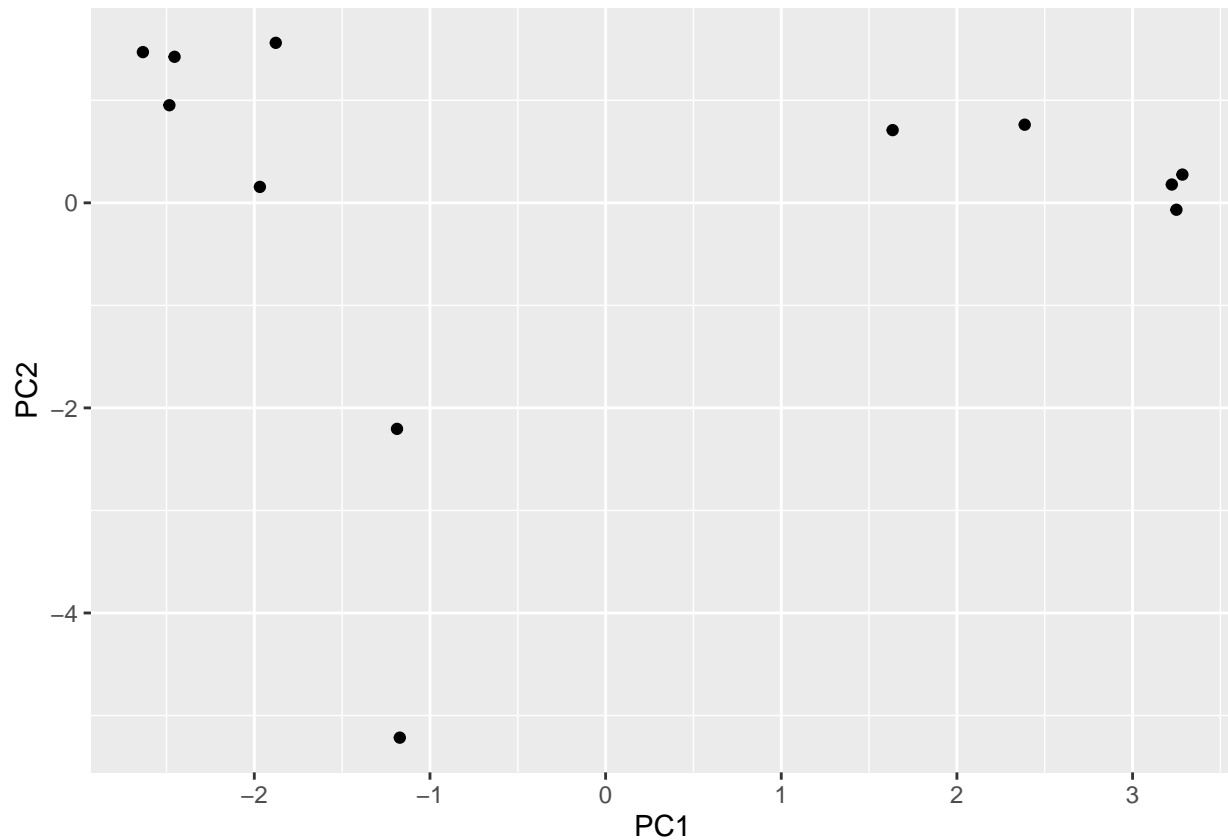
```
##               Comp.1   Comp.2   Comp.3   Comp.4   Comp.5
## Standard deviation  2.4050153 1.8443720 0.88670100 0.7632699 0.50092244
## Proportion of Variance 0.5258271 0.3092462 0.07147624 0.0529619 0.02281121
## Cumulative Proportion 0.5258271 0.8350733 0.90654959 0.9595115 0.98232270
##               Comp.6   Comp.7   Comp.8   Comp.9
## Standard deviation  0.34836167 0.216555935 0.130959831 0.0805001718
## Proportion of Variance 0.01103235 0.004263316 0.001559134 0.0005891162
## Cumulative Proportion 0.99335505 0.997618364 0.999177499 0.9997666147
##               Comp.10   Comp.11   Comp.12
## Standard deviation  0.0445760109 2.408770e-02 0
## Proportion of Variance 0.0001806382 5.274702e-05 0
## Cumulative Proportion 0.9999472530 1.000000e+00 1
##
```

```
## Loadings:
```

```
##               Comp.1   Comp.2   Comp.3   Comp.4   Comp.5   Comp.6   Comp.7   Comp.8   Comp.9
## TotalEarnings  0.355  0.153  0.284  0.117  0.137  0.440  0.000  0.721  0.110
## OnlineEarnings 0.282  0.296  0.214  0.156 -0.398 -0.742  0.106  0.199  0.000
## TotalPlayers   0.349  0.174  0.356  0.000  0.135  0.000  0.000 -0.334  0.000
## TotalTournaments 0.349  0.164  0.373  0.000  0.146  0.111  0.000 -0.507  0.000
## NA_Sales       -0.323  0.271  0.170  0.000 -0.241  0.228  0.609 -0.166  0.441
## EU_Sales       -0.255  0.379  0.000  0.183 -0.104  0.000 -0.745  0.000  0.404
## JP_Sales       -0.298  0.199  0.219 -0.400  0.696 -0.373  0.000  0.160  0.000
## Other_Sales    -0.306  0.319  0.153  0.000 -0.126  0.126  0.000  0.000 -0.772
```

```
## Global_Sales      -0.316  0.307  0.134      -0.108      -0.105
## metascore        -0.212 -0.237  0.220  0.826  0.328 -0.119  0.104
## userscore        -0.188 -0.411  0.410      -0.146
## score_dev         0.140  0.392 -0.521  0.287  0.273      0.162
##                  Comp.10 Comp.11 Comp.12
## TotalEarnings
## OnlineEarnings
## TotalPlayers     -0.761
## TotalTournaments  0.633
## NA_Sales          -0.278
## EU_Sales          -0.133
## JP_Sales
## Other_Sales       -0.318  0.199
## Global_Sales       0.795 -0.339
## metascore          -0.167
## userscore          0.315  0.703
## score_dev          0.245  0.554
```

```
data.frame(PC1 = vg_pca1$scores[,1], PC2 = vg_pca1$scores[,2]) %>% ggplot(aes(PC1, PC2)) + geom_point()
```



```
vg_pca1$loadings[c(1,9,10,11,12), 1:2] %>% as.data.frame %>% rownames_to_column() %>% ggplot + geom_hline(
  geom_vline(aes(xintercept = 0), lty = 2) + ylab("PC2") + xlab("PC1") +
  geom_segment(aes(x=0,y=0, xend = Comp.1, yend = Comp.2), arrow = arrow(), col = "red") +
  geom_label(aes(x = Comp.1 *1.2, y = Comp.2 *1.2, label = rowname))
```



