

INTRODUCTION TO WEB SCIENCES: Assignment 2

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1 Question 1

To extract 1000 unique URIs from twitter based on a searching Keyword and URIs should be non-redirecting.

1.1 Approach Towards the Solution

I started solving this problem with the search keyword 'noodles'. I requested the four keys required to interact with the twitter API and searched for the keyword by using the `TwitterSearchOrder()` function. I extracted the expanded URIs from the JSON. I saved all the URIs into a file, and then filtered them by using the Python set datatype, which eliminates all duplicates. I grabbed only the URIs which returned the HTTP 200 Response (ok) to eliminate any redirection.

Note: In order to run the program, erase the existing `finalUniqueUri.txt`. All results are appended to the file which gives combines results from multiple runs.

1.1.1 Description of `searchTwitter.py`

1. Use `TwitterSearchOrder()` to search the Twitter API.
2. Choose a keyword to search.
3. Look for keyword in all tweets.
4. If there is a match then extract the expanded URL.
5. Save the extracted URL to `extractedUri.txt`.
6. `extractedUri.txt` has all non unique URLs.

1.1.2 Description of `filterTwitter.py`

1. Open the file and read each URL.
2. Request the URL.
3. Get the HTTP Response.
4. If the status code is 200(OK), save the URL to `finalUniqueUri.txt`.
5. `finalUniqueUri.txt` contains 1000 unique URLs.

1.2 Source Code

1.2.1 searchTwitter.py

```
1#!/usr/bin/env python
2import re
3import sys
4import time
5from TwitterSearch import *
6
7#Main Function
8def main():
9    try:
10        # create a TwitterSearchOrder object
11        tso = TwitterSearchOrder()
12        # search key word
13        tso.setKeywords(['noodles'])
14        # we want to see German tweets only
15        tso.setLanguage('en')
16        # look for 100 tweets per page
17        tso.setCount(100)
18        # and don't give us all those entity information(is the html)
19        tso.setIncludeEntities(False)
20        # keys to interact with the twitter API
21        # my keys
22        ts = TwitterSearch(
23            consumer_key = 'fpTauqKqCRj4Gp8m9jb9WCilk',
24            consumer_secret = 'OrDd7NssqrvLgOXnzuDkGcS8UbTN0Y1jFYJF0HS6daxELfyI2k',
25            access_token = '2822384568-jleRlhWap2Y7SMDW9y9tXkji95GHYDJPHK2IZ0b',
26            access_token_secret = 'eVWGqNuLEk7xGlt47vLSkwBhJ6cQyNbeiZGShdRZXKF2A'
27        )
28        for tweet in ts.searchTweetsIterable(tso):
29            # for a tweet points to user->entities->url->urls->(urls,expandes_url,)
30            try :
31                for sea in tweet['user']['entities']['url']['urls']:
32                    # sea points to (urls,expandes_url...)
33                    data = sea['expanded_url']
34                    # if there is some data then write it to file
35                    if data:
36                        #print data
37                        saveFile= open('extractedUri.txt','a')
38                        saveFile.write(data)
39                        saveFile.write('\n')
40                        saveFile.close()
41                    # spent :( a night to resolve this error
42                    # not all tweets has expanded url so there is a key value excpetion we
43                    # have to catch it .
44                    except KeyError :
45                        print 'error'
46            # catch all the search exceptions if you dnt find a tweet
47            except TwitterSearchException as e:
48                print(e)
49
50if __name__ == "__main__":
51    try:
52        main()
53    except KeyboardInterrupt:
54        sys.exit(1)
```

1.2.2 filterTwitter.py

```
1#!/usr/bin/env python
2import sys
3import time
4import requests
5import urllib2
6
7# Main Function
8def main():
9    # set is a datatype which has all unique values
10    processed_urls = set()
11    # open the file which has all the extracted url
12    f = open('finalUniqueUri.txt', 'r')
13
14    lines = [ line.strip() for line in f.readlines() ]
15    extracted_data = set (lines)
16
17    # getting each lines from the list
18    for url in extracted_data :
19        try:
20            response = requests.get(url=url, timeout=1)
21            #print repr(response.headers)
22            # get all the url with the 200 ok response so that they are unique
23            if response.status_code == 200 :
24                processed_urls.add(url)
25                #print response.status_code, url
26            else :#code for 300 400 to 500
27                #print response.status_code
28                pass
29        except requests.exceptions.ConnectionError :
30            pass
31        except requests.exceptions.TooManyRedirects :
32            pass
33        except requests.exceptions.ReadTimeout :
34            pass
35    # get the all the links from set and store as a list
36    final_processed_url = list (processed_urls)
37    # OUT of all the links i need only 1000 links slicing the list
38    for extracted_url in final_processed_url[0:1000]:
39        # open the file to append to add the data
40        saveFile= open('A2_final_output.txt', 'a')
41        saveFile.write(extracted_url)
42        saveFile.write('\n')
43    # close the file
44    saveFile.close()
45
46if __name__ == "__main__":
47    try:
48        main()
49    except KeyboardInterrupt:
50        sys.exit(1)
```

1.3 OutputFiles

A sample of unique URI's :

1.3.1 finalUniqueUri.txt

```
1 Sample Unique URI's :
2
3 http://soulcityusa.wordpress.com
4 http://jeanetteshealthyliving.com
5 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eqgShg7nk88&feature=youtube_gdata_player
6 http://youtube.com/kidrauhl
7 http://foodnex.tumblr.com
8 http://gammarayblog.tumblr.com/
9 http://www.dara-does-it.com
10 http://m.youtube.com/watch?v=6xmhlK456Hg
11 http://www.theprettybee.com
12 http://www.instagram.com/chrisllyvillanueva
13 http://www.intoxicatingprose.com/
14 http://www.vouchercodes.oneplaceshopping4less.com/
15 https://www.facebook.com/HootUSA
16 http://www.sweetherseyliving.com
17 http://twitpic.com/dz dqhe
18 http://instagram.com/astrobread
19 http://im.fireproof.uk
20 http://www.facebook.com/iwishiwas27
21 http://instagram.com/biancakee
22 http://geoffmoyle.com.au/
23 http://woorixx.tumblr.com
24 http://theelectronicsshowcase.com
25 http://www.refugee-action.org.uk
```

2 Question 2

To extract the timemaps of the 1000 unique URLs extracted obtained in Question 1 and count the number of mementos for each URL. Each memento represents a date and time where an individual URL was modified.

2.1 Approach Towards the Solution

To find the number of mementos, I used regular expressions (regexp) to locate the strings `rel="memento"` and `rel="timemap"`. Occurances of the string `rel="memento"` were recorded to obtain a count of mementos for each URL. If there was a line containing `rel="timemap"`, another page of mementos was available. I looped through each momento page until all mementos were counted. I then stored the results (memento count, URL) in a text file.

2.1.1 momentoTwitter.py

1. Open `finalUniqueUri.txt` .
2. Read each URL.
3. Append it to `http://mementoweb.org/timemap/link/` .
4. Request the complete URL.
5. Get the response, and count the number of mementos.
6. Check if there is a timemap line.
7. If a timemap line is encountered, loop and collect all momentos.
8. Store the results to `momentoUri.txt` .

2.2 Source Code

2.2.1 momentoTwitter.py

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2 import re
3 import sys
4 import time
5 import requests
6 import urllib2
7
8 #Main Function
9 def main():
10     #open the file to read
11     f = open('finalUniqueUri.txt', 'r')
12     #regular expression to find the momento
13     momento = re.compile(r'rel.*?=..*?'memento".*?')
14     #regular expression to find the timemap
15     time_map_match = re.compile(r'<[^>]+>;rel\w*?=\w*?'timemap".*?')
16     # read all the lines from the file
17     for line in f.readlines():
18         try:
19             # add the url to the momento org to get the mometo(how may time the
webpage has been modified)
20             momento_url = "http://mementoweb.org/timemap/link/" + line
21             # get the response by opening the url
22             response = urllib2.urlopen(url=momento_url, timeout=10)
23             # getting the complete time map response
24             time_map = response.read()
25             # count the number of momento
26             count_momento = len(momento.findall(time_map))
27             # get the timemap string
28             count_time_map_exist = time_map_match.findall(time_map)
29             # while there is a timemap in the response (get all the count of momento
as sometime the momento may be separte link)
30             while len(count_time_map_exist) == 1:
31                 # stripping out the url from the string_url extracted
32                 url = count_time_map_exist[0]
33                 url_string = url.strip('<')
34                 stripped_url = url_string.split('>')
35                 momento_url_1 = stripped_url[0]
36                 # for the url extracted which has more momento loop it utill we get
all
37                 response_1 = urllib2.urlopen(url=momento_url_1, timeout=10)
38                 time_map_1 = response_1.read()
39                 count_momento = len(momento.findall(time_map_1)) + count_momento
40                 count_time_map_exist = time_map_match.findall(time_map_1)
41
42             saveFile= open('A2_momento.txt', 'a')
43             saveFile.write("{:<20} {} ".format(count_momento, line))
44             saveFile.close()
45
46         except urllib2.HTTPError:
47             #some url will not have timemap then make the timemap none
48             time_map = None
49             count_momento = 0
50             saveFile= open('momentoUri.txt', 'a')
```



```

51         #the way you write two or more elements to a file and format it to 20
spaces
52         saveFile.write("{:<20} {} ".format(count_momento, line))
53         saveFile.close()
54         #catch the file errors like file caanot be opened
55         except IOError :
56             pass
57         except urllib2.URLError :
58             pass
59 if __name__ == "__main__":
60     try:
61         main()
62     except KeyboardInterrupt:
63         sys.exit(1)

```

2.3 OutputFiles

2.3.1 momentoUri.txt

```
1 Momento_Count :      URI :
2
3 0                    https://www.facebook.com/MyChickenRun
4 12                   http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eubi9YI2dKE
5 0                    http://geladoesntgiveadamn.tumblr.com/
6 0                    http://youtu.be/1BKO2V9EaZ0?a
7 0                    http://www.instagram.com/the_sanging_rebel
8 0                    http://instagram.com/teustimao/
9 17                   http://blogmylunch.com
10 0                   http://Facebook.com/Robbiewhaylez
11 0                   http://ifoodi.blogspot.com/
12 0                   http://www.talkinggoodfood.co.uk
13 0                   http://facebook.com/dimano.sterling
14 270                 http://www.yellowkorner.com
15 0                   http://Emerald.com
16 0                   http://attackontiphan.tumblr.com
17 0                   http://instagram.com/xxmn88
18 0                   http://linggez-network.blogspot.com
19 0                   http://Instagram.com/helloalm_
20 845                 http://www.wagamama.com
21 0                   http://pennyroyaltea.co.vu
22 0                   http://www.oufancyphones.com
23 0                   http://www.facebook.com/rappstartailgate
24 25                  http://thedaintypig.com
25 0                   http://instagram.com/victorparrini
```

2.4 Histogram

2.4.1 code to generate the Histogram histogramCode.txt

```
1 hist(A2_momento$momento,xlab= "momento" , ylab= "URI",main ="Histogram of momento/URI",xlim=c(0,6000),ylim=c(1,200),las=1,breaks=500,col=2)
```

2.4.2 Description of Histograms

Figure 1 represents mementos vs URI. If you observe the initial histogram, it does not give you a clear picture how many URIs have how many mementos.

The scaled histogram, Figure 2, provides additional insight about URIs and respective mementos.

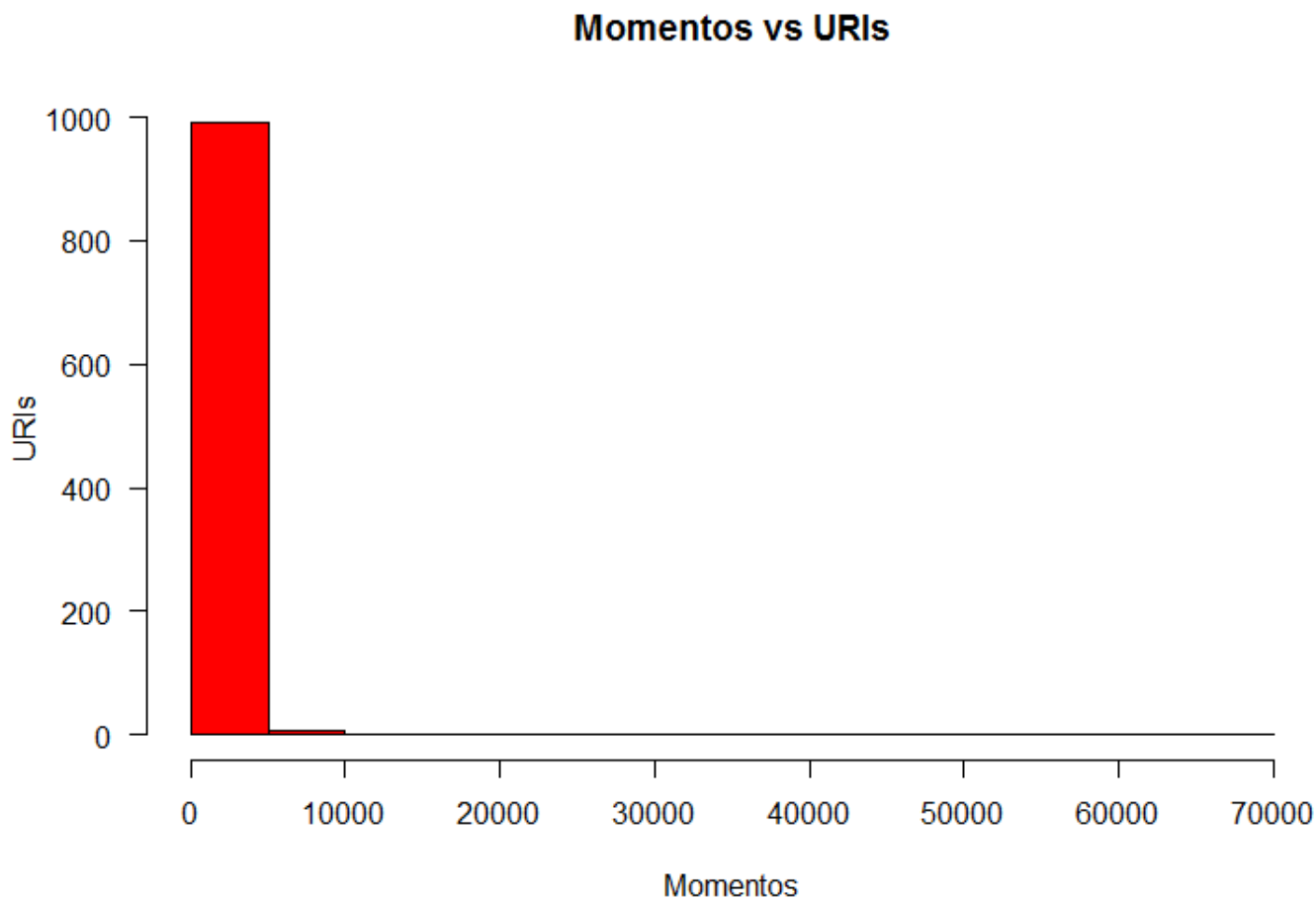


Figure 1: Intial-histogram

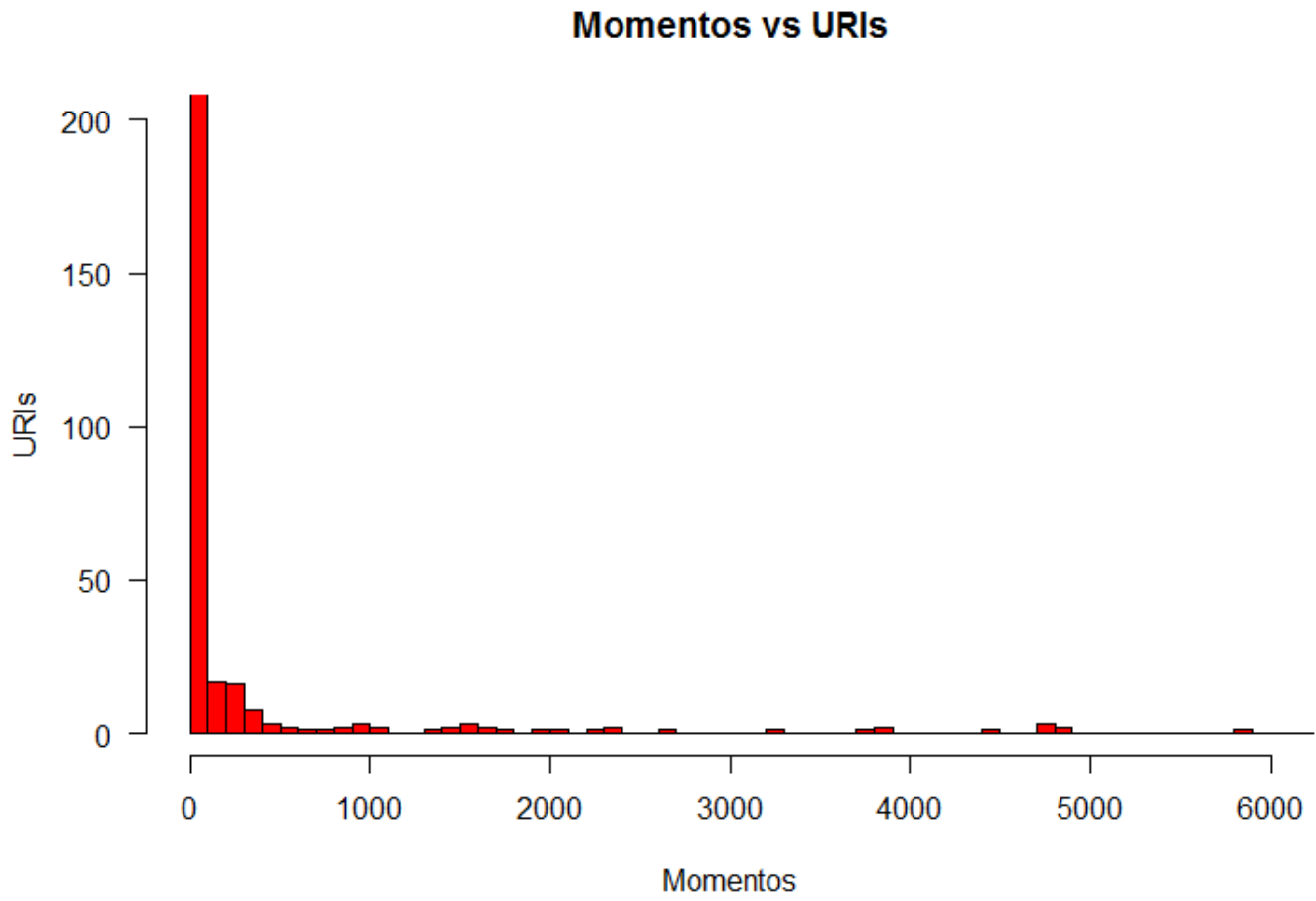


Figure 2: Scaled-histogram

3 Question 3

Estimate the age of the each unique url by using the carbon date tool.

3.1 Approach Towards the Solution

To estimate the carbon date(estimated creation date) of each URL we download the carbondate tool files and run local.py get the creation dates and store them to a carbondateDays.txt.

CarbonDateTwitter.txt has the carbon date and URL, to estimate the age of the each url till today (date it was created and to till date gives us the number of days the url has been created) program daysCountTwitter.py will read each line and parses the date and estimates the number of days.

Relation between the memento and days can be obtained by running momentoDays.py which uses dictionary to store all the days and URL from carbonDateDays.txt for each URL it reads momentoUri.txt and checks whether there is a URL with greater than 0 mementos if it encounters any of the URL then that memento is appended to the dictionary. Then the results(days-momento) are stored in momentoDays.txt .

3.1.1 description of daysCountTwitter.py

1. Modify the local.py extract the dates for each URL.
2. Store in carbonDateTwitter.txt.
3. Now load the file in to daysCountTwitter.py.
4. Program calculates the number of days it has been since the URL has been created .
5. Store the days and URL into carbonDateDays.txt.

3.1.2 description of momentoDays.py

1. Open the file momentoDays.txt.
2. Store the days and URL into a dictionary with key as URL key:URL value :list[date] value as days.
3. Now open the momentoUri.txt .
4. Read each line and compare the URL with the dictionary key URL if there is a match and the number of mementos for that URL is greater than zero store the URL in momentoDays.txt.
5. momentoDays.txt has days , mementos.

3.1.3 daysCountTwitter.py

```
1#!/usr/bin/env python
2from datetime import datetime
3
4
5#Main Function
6def main():
7    try :
8        # current date
9        now = datetime.now()
10       # open the carbondate file which has all the dates when the url is created
11       f = open('carbonDateTwitter.txt', 'r')
12       # read all the lines(date,url)
13       for line in f.readlines() :
14           # split the line and strip all the spaces
15           dateUrl=line.strip().split()
16           # get the length after split
17           len_date_url = len(dateUrl)
18           # to get rid of lines (\r\n) since i did extract links from windows we had
19           # empty sets of data
20           if len_date_url == 0:
21               pass
22           # if you just have date and url in each line
23           elif len_date_url == 2 :
24               date = dateUrl[0]
25               url = dateUrl[1]
26
27           try :
28               # using strip time function to convert the string date format to
29               # actual date type
30               date_object = datetime.strptime(date, "%Y-%m-%dT%H:%M:%S")
31               # get the number of days by subtracting the till date and past
32               # date
33               days = (now - date_object).total_seconds() / ( 3600.0 * 24 )
34               # convert that to int type
35               number_days = int(days)
36               # write it to file
37               saveFile= open('carbonDateDays.txt', 'a')
38               saveFile.write("{:<20} {} ".format(number_days, url))
39               saveFile.write('\n')
40               saveFile.close()
41
42           # catch any exception generated from
43           except :
44               date_object = datetime.strptime(date, "%Y-%m-%dT%H:%M:%S")
45
46       except IOError :
47           pass
48
49
50if __name__ == "__main__":
51    try:
52        main()
53    except KeyboardInterrupt:
54        sys.exit(1)
```

3.1.4 momentoDays.py

```
1#!/usr/bin/env python
2import sys
3#Main Function
4def main():
5    try :
6        # declaring a dictionary
7        url_dict = {}
8        # decalring s list
9        mom_days = []
10       # open the file
11       f = open('carbonDateDays.txt', 'r')
12       # read all the files
13       for line in f.readlines() :
14           # strip and split
15           daysURL = line.strip().split()
16           days     = daysURL[0]
17           url      = daysURL[1]
18           # assigning the key and value to dictionary
19           url_dict[url] = [ int(days) ]
20       f.close()
21       f = open('momentoUri.txt', 'r')
22       for line in f.readlines() :
23           momento      = line.strip().split()
24
25           if len(momento) == 2:
26               try:
27                   momento_count    = momento[0]
28                   momento_url      = momento[1]
29                   # appending the momento counn to url== mometo_url , now it has
30                   # days and moneto count
31                   url_dict[ momento_url ].append( int( momento_count ) )
32               except KeyError :
33                   pass
34           # close the file
35           f.close()
36       except IOError :
37           pass
38       try :
39           for i,meme in url_dict.iteritems():
40               if meme[1] >0 :
41                   # print 'days',meme[0]
42                   # print 'momento',meme[0]
43                   saveFile= open('momentoDays.txt','a')
44                   saveFile.write("{:<20} {} ".format(meme[0],meme[1]))
45                   saveFile.write('\n')
46                   saveFile.close()
47       except ValueError :
48           pass
49       except IndexError :
50           pass
51       if __name__ == "__main__":
52           try:
53               main()
54           except KeyboardInterrupt:
55               sys.exit(1)
```

3.2 OutputFiles

3.2.1 carbonDateTwitter.txt

```
1 Carbon_Date :      URI:
2
3 2012-03-01T00:00:00 https://www.facebook.com/MyChickenRun
4 2011-01-04T00:00:00 http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eubi9YI2dKE
5 2011-07-01T00:00:00 http://geladoesntgiveadamn.tumblr.com/
6 2014-05-21T00:00:00 http://youtu.be/1BKO2V9EaZ0?a
7                      http://www.instagram.com/the_singing_rebel
8 2012-06-26T00:00:00 http://blogmylunch.com
9                      http://Facebook.com/Robbiewhaylez
10 2008-02-18T00:00:00 http://ifoodi.blogspot.com/
11 2012-12-11T00:00:00 http://www.talkinggoodfood.co.uk
12 2013-03-19T00:00:00 http://facebook.com/dimano.sterling
13 2010-07-15T00:00:00 http://www.yellowkorner.com
14 2001-02-01T00:00:00 http://Emerald.com
```

3.2.2 carbonDateDays.txt

```
1 Days :      URI's :
2
3 939          https://www.facebook.com/MyChickenRun
4 1361         http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eubi9YI2dKE
5 1183         http://geladoesntgiveadamn.tumblr.com/
6 128          http://youtu.be/1BKO2V9EaZ0?a
7 822          http://blogmylunch.com
8 2412         http://ifoodi.blogspot.com/
9 654          http://www.talkinggoodfood.co.uk
10 556          http://facebook.com/dimano.sterling
11 1534         http://www.yellowkorner.com
12 4985         http://Emerald.com
13 655          http://attackontiphan.tumblr.com
14 985          http://instagram.com/xxmn88
```

3.2.3 momentoDays.txt

```
1 Days:      Momento:
2
3 2887        18
4 822         17
5 1993        31
6 1361        12
7 4985        165
8 293         205
9 4985        3769
10 4620        5
11 2107        185
12 1534        270
13 4227        7179
14 2885        427
```


3.3 Scatterplot

3.3.1 Code to generate the Scatterplot scatterplotCode.txt

```
1 plot(momento_days$Days , momento_days$Momento , xlab="Days",ylab="Momento",main ="  
ScatterPlot for Days/Momento",las=1,xlim=c(1,5000),ylim=c(0, 10000),col=2)
```

3.3.2 Description of Histogram

Figure 1 brings up the relation between the days and the memento. Figure 1 and Figure 2 are plotted on the same data but Figure 2 gives additional insight.

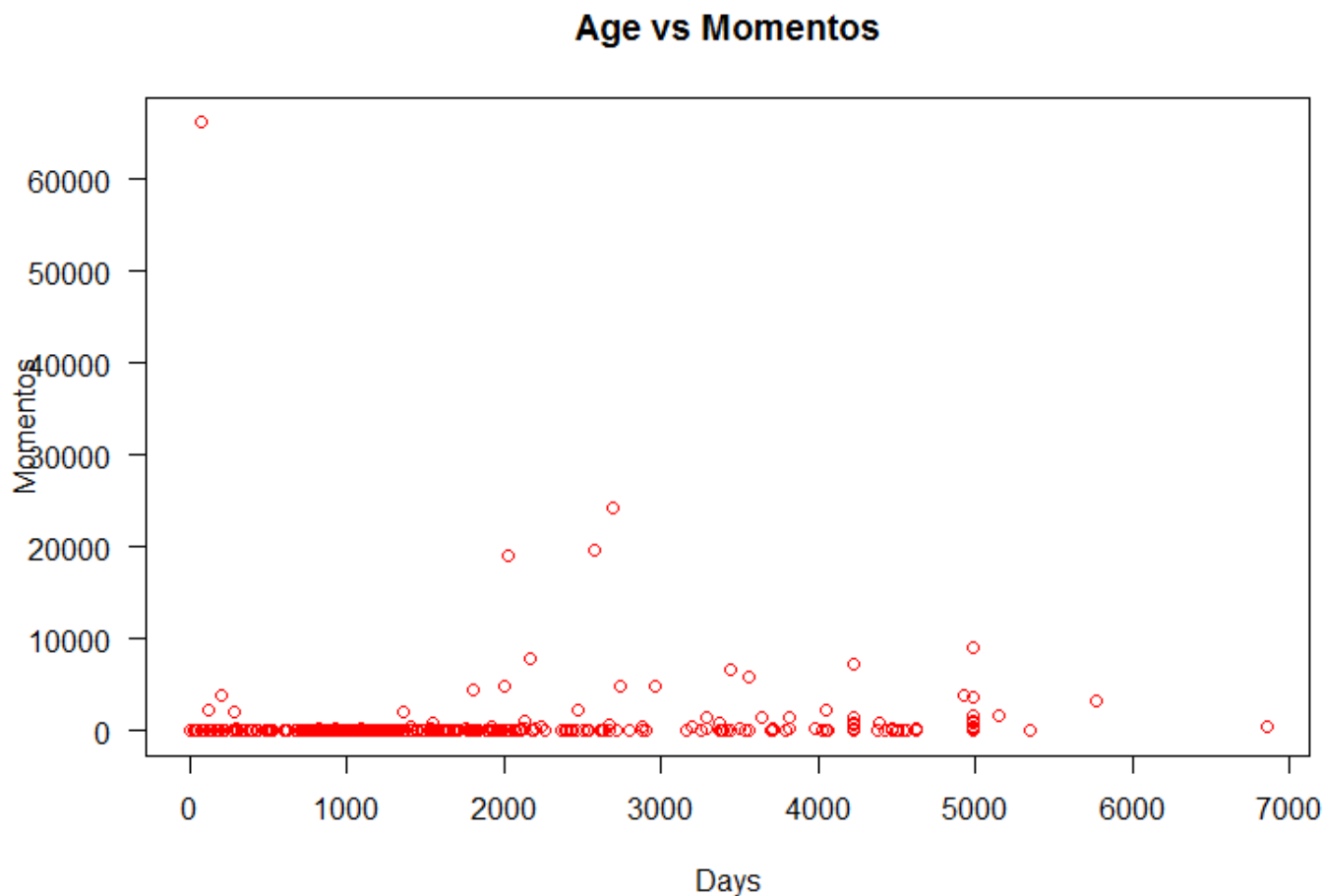


Figure 3: intial scatterplot

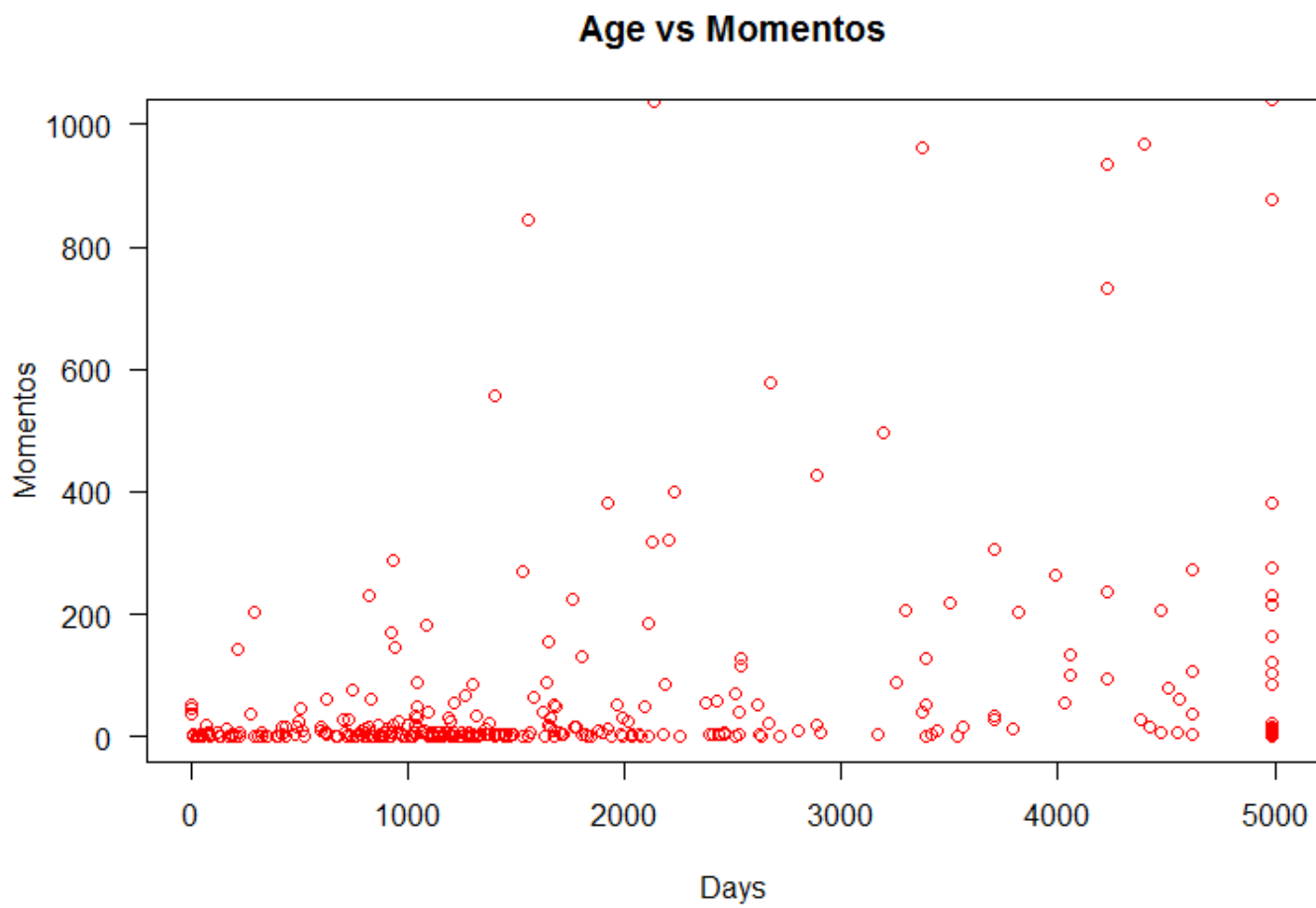


Figure 4: Scaled scatterplot

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