Indicators for Film Industry Success

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What can big data tell us about success in the film industry?

Big data can identify historical trends: What types of characteristics were shared among successful movies of the past

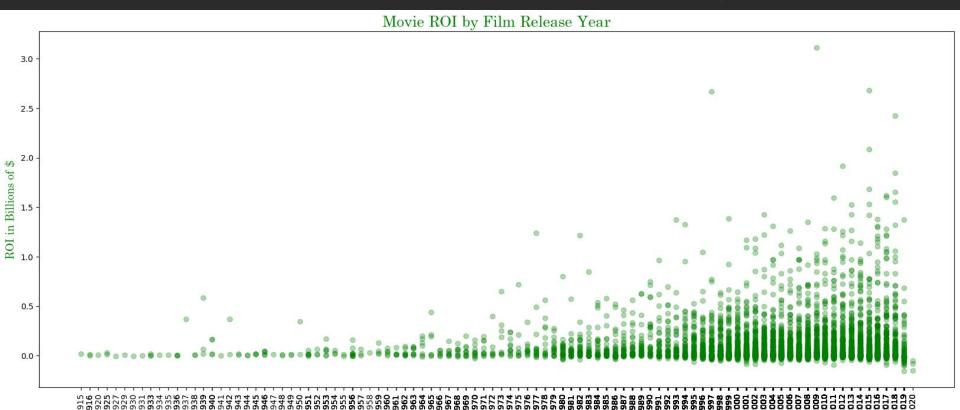
Big data can also make predictions about future performance through statistics and modeling

This presentation uses data from

- Financial Databases: movie budgets, domestic gross, worldwide gross
- IMDB Movie Database: directors, writers, and ratings
- Movie Reviews and synopses
- TMDB, The Movie Database

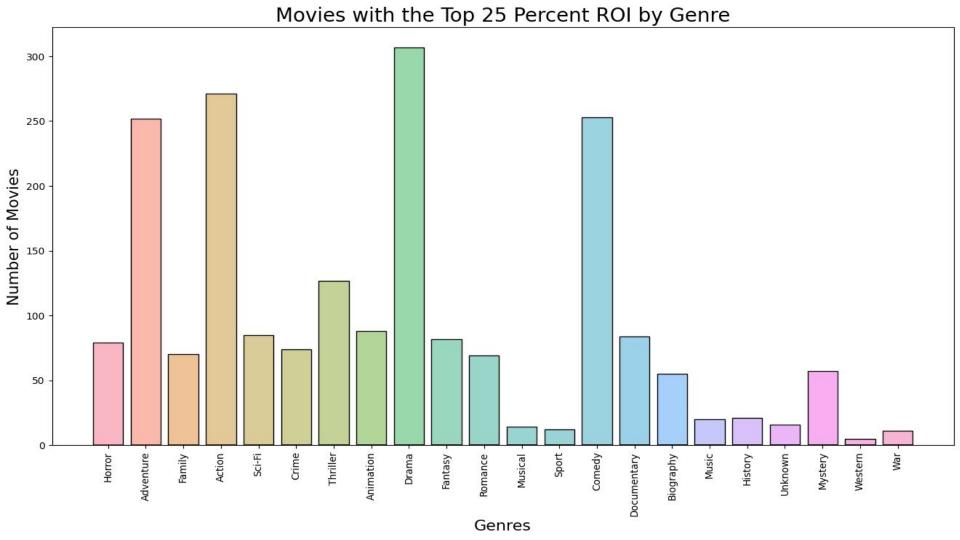
To find key characteristics of the highest grossing movies with a high return on investment

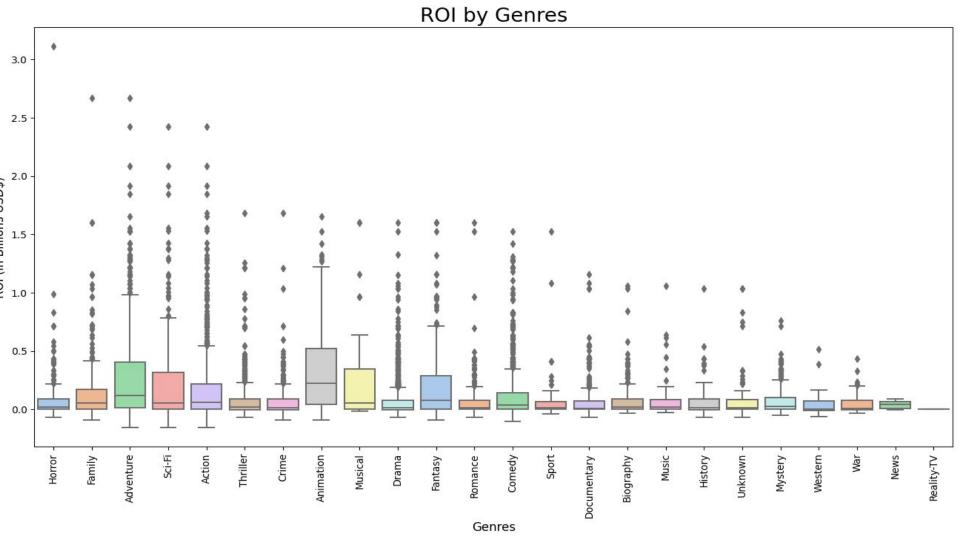
Successful Movies Generate Billions of \$USD



Movie Release Year

How do different genres compare in their historical ability to generate revenue?



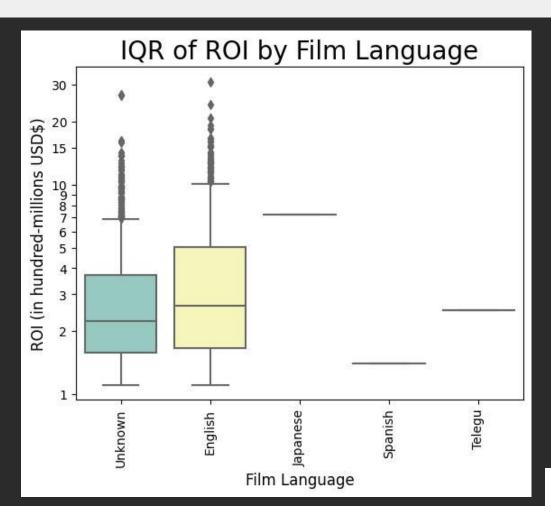


What persons in the industry have a proven track record of success?

ROI of Top 30 Movie Script Writers 3.0 2.5 ROI (in Billions USD\$) 1.5 1.0 0.5 0.0 James Wan . jim Starlin Keith Giffen Don Heck Steve Gan Bill Mantlo Joe Simon Chi-kin Kwok Ka Yee Yim Adam Green Adi Granov John Knoll . Paul Norris Geoff Johns . Ravi Punj Chris Buck Teruo Noguchi A Jeanne-Marie Leprince de Beaumont Ti Ja Angus MacLane Yûsuke Yamada Kevin Lincoln Steve Englehart Michael Crichton Colin Trevorrow Joe Robert Cole Sandra Vo-Anh Shane Morris Hans Christian Andersen Mort Weisinger Victoria Strouse

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Surprises in the Data...



What is next? Predicting Movie Success

This is a basic mock-up of what NLP text comparison can provide in terms of comparing potential movie scripts to the synopses(or scripts) to predict the potential scripts financial success.

they can hatch...

sisters

animation

Frozen

Your Script:							1
Two sisters go walking in th	e woods near	r their home	in Wales who	en they come	upon a	n egg. Th	ey have
heard stories of dragons tha	t once lived i	n the woods	and take the	eggs home t	to their	parents.	Γhe
parents want to sell the egg	s, but the sist	ters travel av	way from the	ir village to s	afegua	rd the egg	s until

Movie Title **Key Word Matches** Percent match Clickable link will world 35.00% Avatar fantasy epic nature take you to Titanic tragedy ship epic 20.00% another screen romance with movie Braveheart 80.00% medieval Scotland battle romance financials 90.00% Lord of the Rings dragon fantasy battle medieval How to Train your Dragon 75.00% fantasy village animation dragon

snowman

diversity

55.00%

Wrap Up / Questions

Any permutation of the data is possible to create. With adequate funding for big data projects we will able to support your effort to build a successful movie production company.

