# **Final Project Submission**

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## Import libraries to perform utility operations:

- convert user-created flat and easy to edit configuration (housed in ./config/user\_config.json) to a production json file 'config.json';
- unzip all compressed files and move these unzipped files to "./data" folder from "./zippedData";
- · check that every .gz file has a corresponding text file

# Convert user defined configuration file to production level configuration file

## Use utility functions to decompress data files

### **Check Results of Decompression**

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                  zipFiles = [f for f in os.listdir('./zippedData') if os.path.isfile(os.path.isfile)
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                 txtFiles = [f for f in os.listdir('./data') if os.path.isfile(os.path.jo
               3
                  for zf, tf in zip(zipFiles, txtFiles):
                      print(f"zip file: {zf}\ntxt file: {tf}\n---")
             zip file: bom.movie_gross.csv.gz
             txt file: bom.movie gross.csv
             zip file: imdb.name.basics.csv.gz
             txt file: clean.bom.movie gross.csv
             zip file: imdb.title.akas.csv.gz
             txt file: clean.imdb.title.basics.csv
             zip file: imdb.title.basics.csv.gz
             txt file: clean.imdb.title.ratings.csv
             zip file: imdb.title.crew.csv.gz
             txt file: clean.merge.title.rating.revenue.csv
             zip file: imdb.title.principals.csv.gz
             txt file: clean.tn.movie_budgets.csv
             zip file: imdb.title.ratings.csv.gz
             txt file: imdb.name.basics.csv
             zip file: rt.movie info.tsv.gz
             txt file: imdb.title.akas.csv
             zip file: rt.reviews.tsv.gz
             txt file: imdb.title.basics.csv
             zip file: tmdb.movies.csv.gz
             txt file: imdb.title.crew.csv
             zip file: tn.movie budgets.csv.gz
             txt file: imdb.title.principals.csv
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In [22]: ▶ 1 import data_preparation as dataprep
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## **Prepare Data for Analysis**

- Call function prepare\_clean\_data(config) which parses the values of four files (imdb.title.basics.csv, imdb.title.ratings.csv, bom.movie\_gross.csv, tn.movie\_budgets.csv) based on the rules encoded in functions prep\_imdb\_title\_basics(config), prep\_imdb\_title\_ratings(config), prep\_bom\_movie\_gross(config), and prep\_tn\_movie\_budgets(config).
- Each function writes a file with the prefix "clean.": "clean.imdb.title.basics.csv",
   "clean.imdb.title.ratings.csv", "clean.bom.movie\_gross.csv", and
   "clean.tn.movie\_budgets.csv".

## Merge Clean Data

- Function "merge\_clean\_data" combines all datasets: IMDB title basics, IMDB ratins, BOM revenue, and TN revenue;
- The result is writeen to file "clean.merge.title.rating.revenue.csv";
- · The data are loaded for analysis.

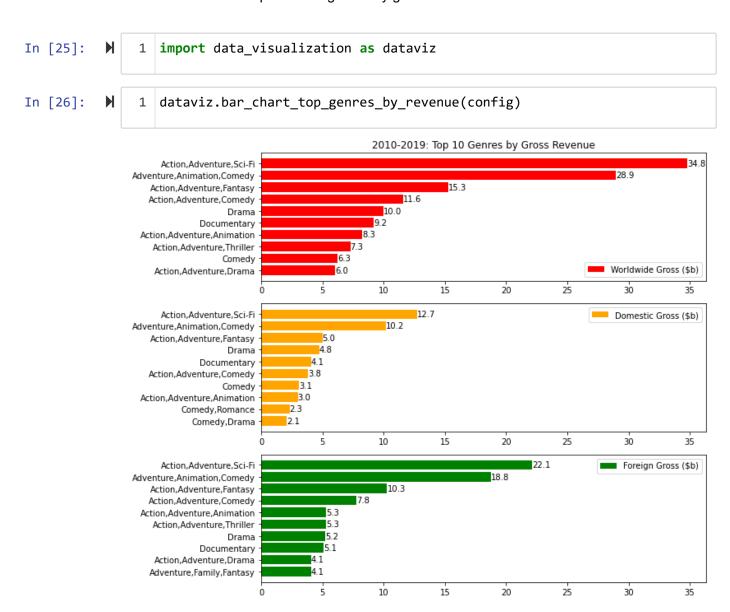
memory usage: 5.2+ MB

 Note a significant reduction of usable data points by data category. 108.6K titles have genre and runtime information. Approximately 28K titles have ratings, and only 4.2K titles have revenue information.

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In [24]:
                 dataprep.merge clean data(config)
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                 dfMerged = dataprep.load merged clean data(config)
                 dfMerged.info()
             <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
             RangeIndex: 108629 entries, 0 to 108628
             Data columns (total 9 columns):
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                                                     float32
                  numvotes
              7
                  domestic_gross
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                                                     float64
                                                     float64
                                   4181 non-null
                  foreign gross
             dtypes: float16(1), float32(1), float64(2), object(3), uint16(2)
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# Which Genres Made the Most Money over the 10 Year Period (2010-2019)?

- Top 3 genres are the same for domestic and foreign audiences:
  - Action, Adventure, Sci-Fi
  - Adventure, Animation, Comedy
  - Action, Adventure, Fantasy
- Action and adventure titles make 4 out of 10 top entries for domestic market and 6 out of 10 entries in foreign markets.
- A title to be successful needs to be built around a story featuring Action, Adventure in a Sci-Fi setting, or be an animated feature, or be complemented with comedic or fantasy plot points. Titles which belong to a single genre such as Comedy, Documentary, or Drama are also featured in the top 10 list of genres by gross revenue.



Which Genres Made the Most Money on Average per Title over the same 10 Year Period (2010-2019)?

The bar chart below lists top 10 genres by average gross revenue per title. Only genres with more than 10 titles are considered. It is resonable to think that if a genre has less than a title per year on average, it may be too niche for a start-up studio to consider. Potentially, the market may not be ready for another title in this genre.

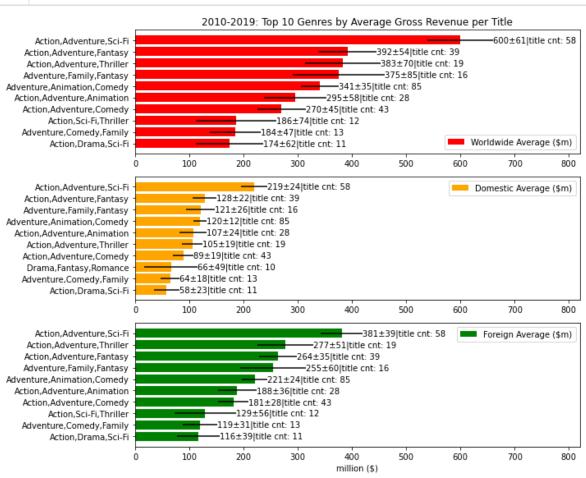
Besides the mean gross per title, the chart shows historical dispersion of revenue computed as standard deviation of gross revenue across titles within a genre divided by the square root of title count in the same genre (avg +/- stdev/sqrt(count)). title cnt refers to the total number of titles with recorded revenue in a genre.

#### **Recommendation 1**

Using the results for average revenue per title, revenue dispersion as a proxy for risk, and title count as a proxy of genre potential and market penetration, **the standing recommendation** is to focus on two genres:

- 1. Action, Adventure, Sci-Fi;
- 2. Adventure, Animation, Comedy



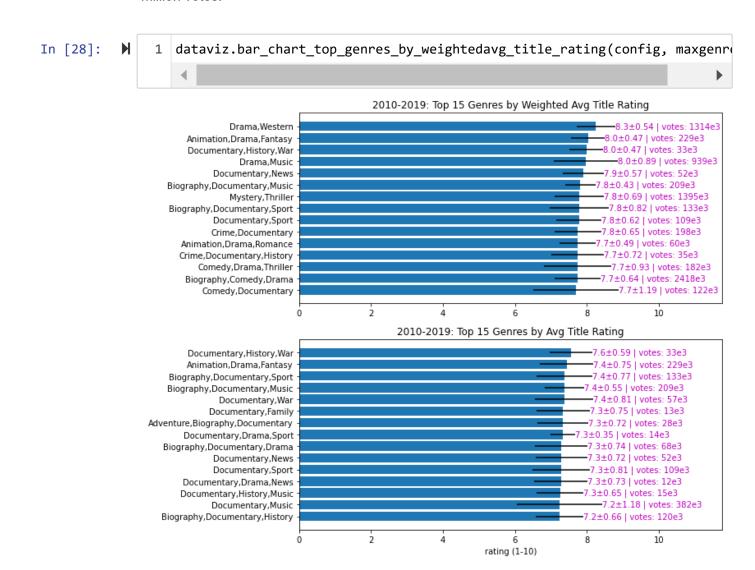


# Which Genres are Most Highly Rated?

- For outcome stability, only titles with more than 100 votes and genres with more than 10 titles are considered.
- · Two rating metrics are computed:
  - 1. Weighted (by numvotes ) Average Rating by genre;
  - 2. Mean Rating across of all titles by genre.
- Both metrics consistently show that rating information point towards viewers' preference for non-fiction genres such as Documentary, History, Biography.
- Composition genres featured in Top 20 are Biography, Documentary, Documentary, History, Documentary, Drama.

#### **Recommendation 2**

- Focus on non-fiction genre of Documentary which can be biographical, historical, military, and/or dramatic in nature.
- For example, the genre Biography, Comedy, Drama received 2.4 million rating votes; Biography, Drama, Thiller 1.9 million votes; Action, Adventure, Biography 1.0 million votes.



# Is Rating an Indicator of Revenue?

- Scatter plot will provide a simple evidence whether a higher rating may indicate higher revenue. A scatter plot can be constructed for genre level data and for title level data.
  - 1. Scatterplot: Genre Level Data: x-axis will correspond to rating by genre which have more than 10 titles and each has more than 100 rating votes; y-asix corresponds to total revenue for each genre satisfying 10 title and 100 votes per title requirement.
  - 2. Scatterplot: Title Level Data: x axis corresponds to rating of a title, and y axis shows the revenue of this title.
- If points on a scatterplot coalesce in a straight line or a non-linear curve instead a shapeless
  cloud of points, then the data show a dependence of revenue on rating. Here, correlation
  implies causation since high rating serves a proxy for elevated demand.

# The Answer is: "Yes, on average! Yet, A high rating increases earning potential."

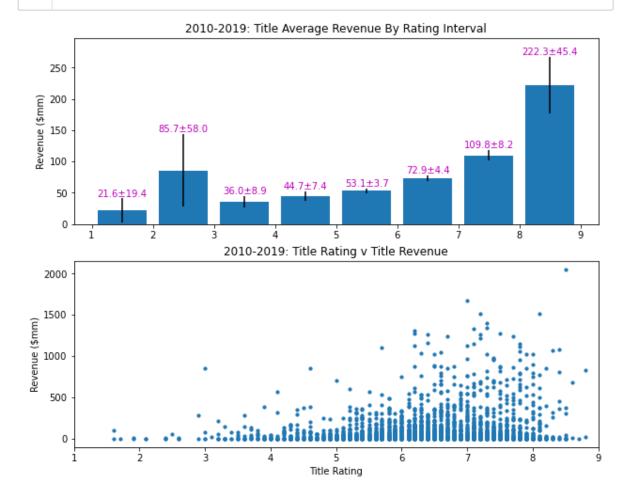
- The bar chart below shows that if the average revenue is computed for titles inside a certain rating interval, then the average increases with ratings. Yet, the average revenue is susceptible to outliers, and the variability across title revenue figures increases with rating.
- The title-level data exhibited in the scatterplot are not conclusive. A high rating is not a
  guarantee of high revenue. Yet, the earning potential of a low rated title is limited. Conversely,
  the earning potential of a high rated titled is elevated.

#### **Recommendation 3**

It is best to avoid a very low rating to not limit the production's earning potential. It can be
done by carefully tailoring the film to a target audience and previewing the already shot
material with test audiences.

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dataviz.barchart\_scatterplot\_title\_rating\_and\_revenue(config)



### **Recommendation 4**

• Keep it short, under 2.5 hours! The data show that there no movie titles with revenue records above 3 hours.

