Mini Poster

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Title:

Analyzing Goodreads Dataset to gain interesting insights about factors impacting the popularity of Books

Dataset Description:

The data set used for analysis is collected from the Goodreads database(Goodreads API: https://goodreads.com/api) (https://www.kaggle.com/hoshi7/goodreads-analysis-and-recommending-books/data) and is available on Kaggle. It contains book title along with authors, language, ratings, reviews, size of book and ISBN. A brief description of data available in it is below:

Columns Description:

bookID: Contains the unique ID for each book/series title: contains the titles of the books authors: contains the author of the particular book average_rating: the average rating of the books, as decided by the users ISBN: ISBN(10) number, tells the information about a book - such as edition and publisher ISBN 13: The new format for ISBN, implemented in 2007. 13 digits language_code: Tells the language for the books Num_pages: Contains the number of pages for the book Ratings_count: Contains the number of ratings given for the book text_reviews_count: Has the count of reviews left by users

```
dfb <- read.csv("C:\\Users\\kapil\\OneDrive\\Desktop\\IDMP\\books.csv")
head(dfb,20) # Printing top 20 rows of dataset</pre>
```

```
##
       bookID
## 1
            1
            2
## 2
## 3
            3
             4
## 4
## 5
            5
            8
## 6
## 7
            9
## 8
           10
## 9
           12
## 10
           13
## 11
           14
## 12
           16
## 13
           18
## 14
           21
## 15
           22
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## 16
          23
## 17
          24
## 18
          25
## 19
          26
## 20
          27
##
## 1
                                                           Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (Harry
## 2
                                                       Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix (Harry
## 3
                                                            Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (Harry
## 4
                                                          Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (Harry
## 5
                                                        Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (Harry
## 6
                                                              Harry Potter Boxed Set Books 1-5 (Harry Po
## 7
                             Unauthorized Harry Potter Book Seven News: Half-Blood Prince Analysis and
## 8
                                                                        Harry Potter Collection (Harry Po
      The Ultimate Hitchhiker's Guide: Five Complete Novels and One Story (Hitchhiker's Guide to the Ga
## 9
## 10
                                                                       The Ultimate Hitchhiker's Guide to
## 11
                                        The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (Hitchhiker's Guide to the
## 12
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                                            The Ultimate Hitchhiker's Guide (Hitchhiker's Guide to the G
## 13
## 14
                                                                                A Short History of Nearly
## 15
                                                                                          Bill Bryson's Af:
## 16
                                     Bryson's Dictionary of Troublesome Words: A Writer's Guide to Getti:
## 17
                                                                                               In a Sunbur
## 18
                                  I'm a Stranger Here Myself: Notes on Returning to America After Twenty
## 19
                                                                   The Lost Continent: Travels in Small T
## 20
                                                                           Neither Here nor There: Travel
##
                           authors average_rating
                                                         isbn
                                                                     isbn13
                                             4.56 0439785960 9780439785969
##
      J.K. Rowling-Mary GrandPré
  1
      J.K. Rowling-Mary GrandPré
                                             4.49 0439358078 9780439358071
## 3
      J.K. Rowling-Mary GrandPré
                                             4.47 0439554934 9780439554930
## 4
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                                             4.41 0439554896 9780439554893
## 5
      J.K. Rowling-Mary GrandPré
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      J.K. Rowling-Mary GrandPré
                                             4.78 0439682584 9780439682589
## 7
           W. Frederick Zimmerman
                                             3.69 0976540606 9780976540601
## 8
                     J.K. Rowling
                                             4.73 0439827604 9780439827607
## 9
                                             4.38 0517226952 9780517226957
                    Douglas Adams
## 10
                    Douglas Adams
                                             4.38 0345453743 9780345453747
## 11
                                             4.22 1400052920 9781400052929
                    Douglas Adams
## 12
        Douglas Adams-Stephen Fry
                                             4.22 0739322206 9780739322208
## 13
                                             4.38 0517149257 9780517149256
                    Douglas Adams
                                             4.20 076790818X 9780767908184
## 14 Bill Bryson-William Roberts
## 15
                                             3.43 0767915062 9780767915069
                      Bill Bryson
## 16
                      Bill Bryson
                                             3.88 0767910435 9780767910439
## 17
                                             4.07 0767903862 9780767903868
                      Bill Bryson
                                             3.90 076790382X 9780767903820
## 18
                      Bill Bryson
## 19
                                             3.83 0060920084 9780060920081
                      Bill Bryson
## 20
                      Bill Bryson
                                             3.87 0380713802 9780380713806
##
      language_code X..num_pages ratings_count text_reviews_count
## 1
                              652
                                        1944099
                                                              26249
                eng
## 2
                              870
                                        1996446
                                                              27613
                eng
## 3
                              320
                                        5629932
                                                              70390
                eng
## 4
                eng
                             352
                                           6267
                                                                272
## 5
                             435
                                        2149872
                                                              33964
                eng
## 6
                             2690
                                          38872
                                                                154
                eng
```

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## 7
                              152
              en-US
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                             3342
## 8
                                           27410
                                                                 820
                eng
## 9
                              815
                                            3602
                                                                 258
                 eng
## 10
                              815
                                          240189
                                                                3954
                 eng
## 11
                 eng
                              215
                                            4416
                                                                 408
## 12
                                6
                                            1222
                                                                 253
                 eng
## 13
              en-US
                              815
                                            2801
                                                                 192
                                          228522
## 14
                              544
                                                                8840
                 eng
## 15
                               55
                                            6993
                                                                 470
                 eng
## 16
                              256
                                            2020
                                                                 124
                 eng
## 17
                              335
                                           68213
                                                                4077
                 eng
                              304
                                           47490
                                                                2153
## 18
                 eng
                              299
                                           43779
                                                                2146
## 19
              en-US
## 20
                              254
                                           46397
                                                                2127
                 eng
sapply(dfb, function(x) sum(is.na(x))) #To check Missing value count
##
               bookID
                                    title
                                                       authors
                                                                   average_rating
##
                     0
                                         0
                                                             0
                                                                                 0
##
                  isbn
                                    isbn13
                                                language_code
                                                                     X..num_pages
##
##
        ratings_count text_reviews_count
##
                     5
dups <-dfb[duplicated(dfb$bookID)|duplicated(dfb$bookID, fromLast=TRUE),]</pre>
dups # finding duplicate values in bookID
##
        bookID
                                                                        title
## 4
             4 Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (Harry Potter #2)
## 5689
## 7058
##
             authors average_rating
                                            isbn
                                                         isbn13 language_code
        J.K. Rowling
                                4.41 0439554896 9780439554893
## 4
                                                                           eng
## 5689
## 7058
##
        X..num_pages ratings_count text_reviews_count
## 4
                  352
                               6267
                                                    272
## 5689
                                 NA
                                                     NA
## 7058
                                 NA
                                                     NA
dfb1<-dfb
dfb2<-dfb1[dfb1$title != "",] # Removed all books which have no title
dups <-dfb2[duplicated(dfb2$bookID)|duplicated(dfb2$bookID, fromLast=TRUE),]</pre>
dups # finding duplicate values of bookID in updated dfb2
##
  [1] bookID
                            title
                                                authors
                                                                     average_rating
##
  [5] isbn
                            isbn13
                                                language_code
                                                                    X..num_pages
## [9] ratings_count
                            text_reviews_count
## <0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

```
sapply(dfb2, function(x) sum(is.na(x))) #No NA values now
##
               bookID
                                    title
                                                      authors
                                                                   average_rating
##
                                         0
                                                language_code
##
                  isbn
                                   isbn13
                                                                     X..num_pages
##
                     0
##
        ratings_count text_reviews_count
##
                     0
dfb2$authors <- gsub("-.*","",dfb2$authors) #Kept only primary author
dfb2[, c(4,8)] \leftarrow sapply(dfb2[, c(4,8)], as.numeric)
## Warning in lapply(X = X, FUN = FUN, ...): NAs introduced by coercion
## Warning in lapply(X = X, FUN = FUN, ...): NAs introduced by coercion
a<- table(dfb2$authors)</pre>
```

Printed first 20 lines of dataset above.

Tidied Data:

As mentioned along with code in the comments I have tidiesd the dataset by doing below tasks: 1. Checked missing values 2. Removed duplicate values 3. Removed all books which have no title 4. Kept only primary author to simplify the dataset analysis

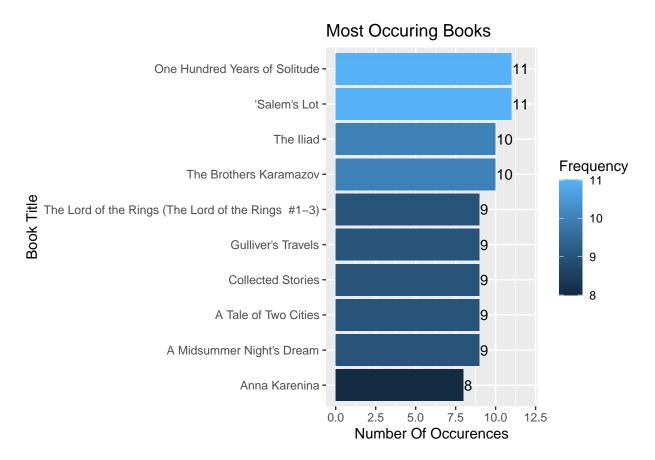
```
library(ggplot2)
library(dplyr)
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
       intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
##
library(scales)
# Titles of top 10 most occurring books:
df_title_top <- dfb2 %>%
  group_by(dfb2$title) %>%
  summarise(count=n()) %>% arrange(desc(count)) %>% head(10)
names(df_title_top)[1] <- 'ttl'</pre>
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```
names(df_title_top)[2] <- 'frq'

df_title_top$frq = as.numeric(df_title_top$frq)

#Barplot showing most occuring books

df_title_top %>%
    ggplot(aes(x = frq, y = reorder(ttl,frq), fill = frq))+
    geom_col()+
    geom_text(aes(label = frq), hjust = -0.05)+
    ggtitle("Most Occuring Books")+
    xlab("Number Of Occurences")+
    ylab("Book Title")+
    labs(fill = "Frequency")+
    coord_cartesian(xlim = c(0, 12))
```



Observation:

One Hundred Years Of Solitude' and 'Salem's Lot' have the most number of occurrences with the same name in the data. These books have come up in this database over and over again, with various publication editions.

```
#Top 10 languages in which books are published

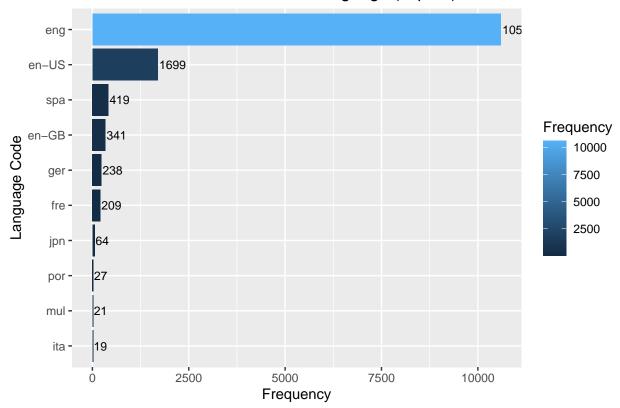
df_lang <- dfb2 %>% group_by(dfb2$language_code) %>%
   summarise(count=n()) %>% arrange(desc(count)) %>% head(10)
```

```
names(df_lang)[1] <- 'lang'
names(df_lang)[2] <- 'frq'

#barplot showing distribution of books for all languages

df_lang %>%
    ggplot(aes(x = frq, y =reorder(lang,frq), fill = frq ))+
    geom_col() +
    geom_text(aes(label = frq), size = 3, hjust =-0.05)+
    ggtitle("Distribution of Books based on Language (Top 10)")+
    xlab("Frequency")+
    ylab("Language Code")+
    labs(fill = "Frequency")
```

Distribution of Books based on Language (Top 10)



Observation:

Majority of the books are in english languages, with some further categorized into English-US, english-UK and english-CA. Then some are in Spanish, German and French.

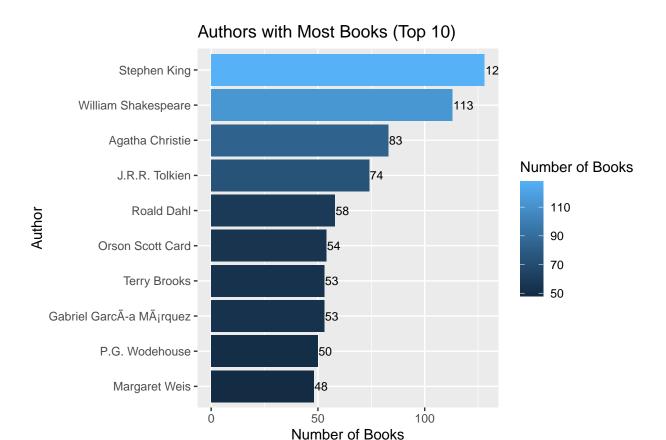
```
pdf("Output.pdf") # For miniposter

#Top 10 most rated books
df_rating <- dfb2 %>% arrange(desc(ratings_count)) %>% head(10)
```

pdf ## 2

Analysis:

Here we are looking at the top 10 books with the most reviews. The first book of any series usually has most of the ratings, i.e, Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, Twilight #1, The Hobbit, Angels and Demons #1. However, A huge gap in ratings(approx. 50%) of Harry Potter(#1) and Harry Potter(#2) indicates that fiction enthusiasts did not pick up the sequel in the series as much as they liked the first one. This is quite interesting as generally, people eagerly wait for a sequel of a book if the first part is a big hit and authors expect a positive response mostly. But this data tells otherwise.



Observation:

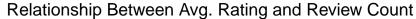
Stephen King is the author with with most books followed by William Shakespeare and Agatha Christie. Most of the authors have either been writing for decades, churning numerous books from time to time, or are authors who are known as the 'classics' in our history.

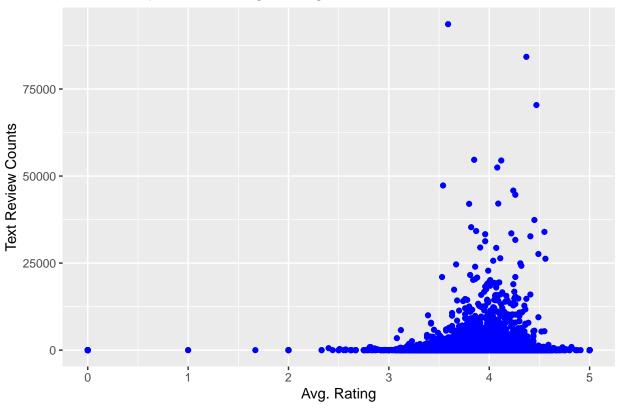
```
#For Miniposter
#Relationship between avg rating and review count:

df_avg_interval <- dfb2
df_avg_interval$average_rating = as.numeric(df_avg_interval$average_rating)

df_avg_interval %>%
    ggplot(aes(x= average_rating, y = text_reviews_count)) +
    geom_point(color = "blue") +
    ggtitle("Relationship Between Avg. Rating and Review Count")+
    xlab("Avg. Rating")+
    ylab("Text Review Counts")+
    scale_x_continuous(breaks=c(0,1,2,3,4,5))
```

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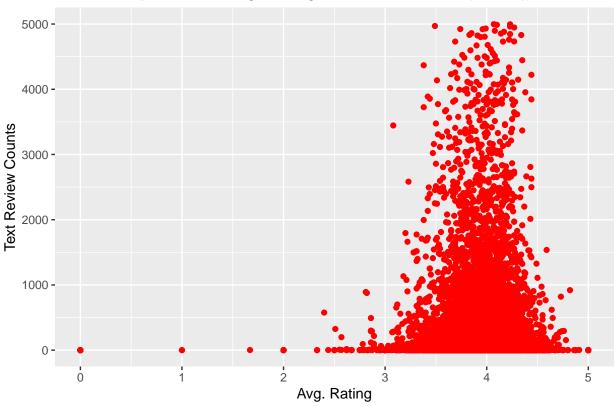


Analysis Plot 1:

It is a scatter plot from which we can infer that most of the ratings for the books seem to lie near 3-4, with a heavy number of reviews lying mostly near 5000, approx. Hence, we need to look closely at the area where the review count is below 5000 to get some insights.

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Analysis Plot 2:

This scatter plot is a kind of magnified version of plot 1 where we are looking at observations where the review count is less than 5000. Even after looking at a smaller scale, most text reviews for books still lie under 1000, making data results inconclusive. The reviews seem to be predominant amongst books with good ratings. Maybe this is pointing towards a possibility that these are all fake reviews. Fake reviews are usually posted to promote a product in the market and hence are not from genuine readers which is somewhat self-explanatory since most of the time, bibliophiles don't just rate a book, they also share their honest reviews no matter positive or negative to help the community grow.

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#Relationship between avg rating and number of pages:

df_avg_rat_pages <- dfb2

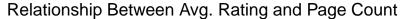
df_avg_rat_pages$average_rating = as.numeric(df_avg_rat_pages$average_rating)

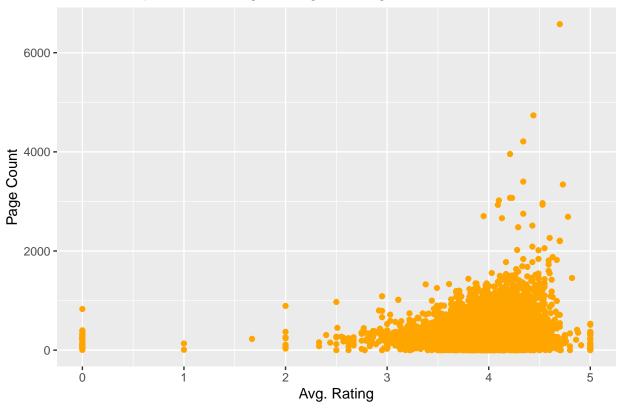
df_avg_rat_pages$X..num_pages = as.numeric(df_avg_rat_pages$X..num_pages)

df_avg_rat_pages %>%

    ggplot(aes(x= average_rating, y = X..num_pages)) +
    geom_point(color= "orange") +
    ggtitle("Relationship Between Avg. Rating and Page Count ")+
    xlab("Avg. Rating")+
    ylab("Page Count")+
    scale_x_continuous(breaks=c(0,1,2,3,4,5))
```

Warning: Removed 5 rows containing missing values (geom_point).

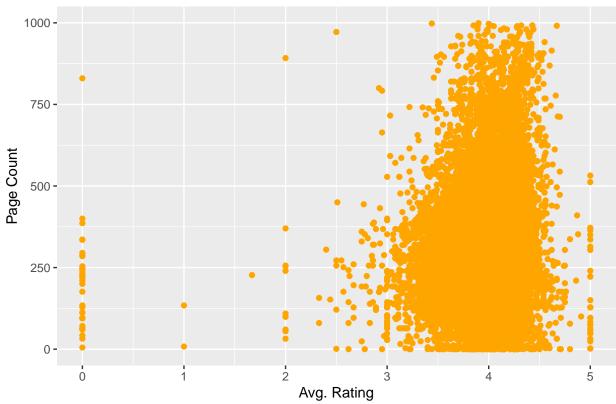




Analysis Plot 1:

This plot doesn't give that much of an accurate inference due to the massive presence of outliers for books above 1000 pages, for the maximum density is between 0-1000 pages.





Analysis Plot 2:

From the given plot, we can infer that the highest ratings ever given, usually are for books with the page range of 200-400, peaking near 250. Which could mean that most of the people seem to prefer books with a moderate amount of pages, and people are not that fond of thicker books.