Oscar-egression

When Metis gives you movies... predict the Oscars

Box Office Mojo

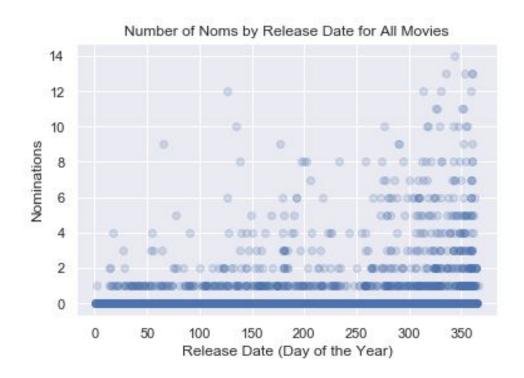


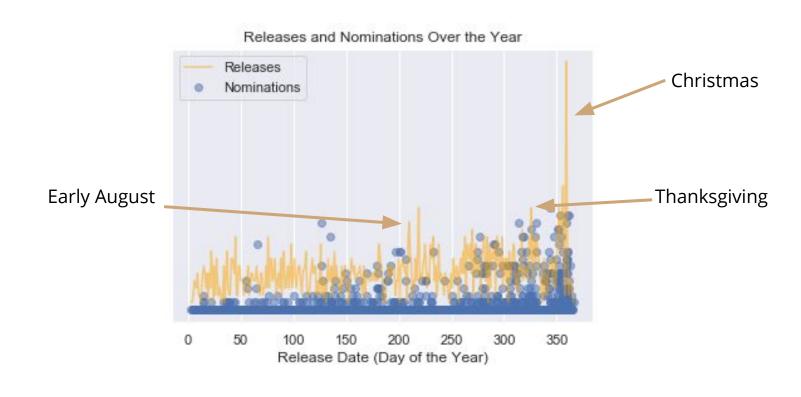


- Domestic Total Gross
- Run Time
- Release Date
- Production Budget
- Length of release in theaters
- Opening Weekend Gross
- Opening weekend rank

Theory

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the year to **maximize the number of nominations**.

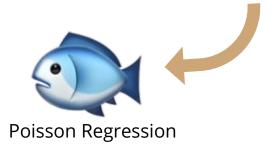
Let's take this further...

Can we use this to predict nominations?

Considerations

Most films don't receive any nomination

Oscar nominations can't be less than 0, don't come in halves



Final Destination

Features:

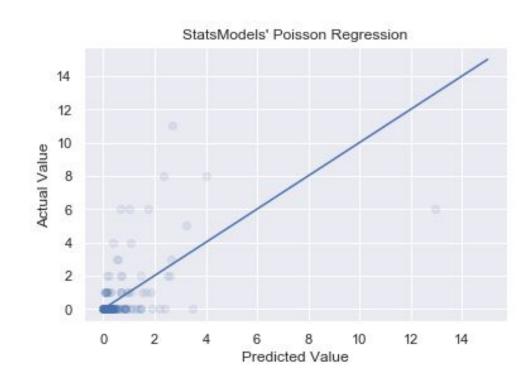
Domestic Total Gross Run time Time in release (in theaters) Production Budget Release date in the year

Opening gross
Opening rank
Opening Ratio *

* amt of domestic total gross earned over opening weekend

Metric:

Pseudo R² is 4.5 (OLS was 3.0, Polynomial 3.4)



How predictive was release date?

Feature predictiveness in order of coefficient magnitude:

Release date in the year	0.0015
Days In theaters	0.0062
Run time	0.0193
Opening Ratio	-0.1475
Opening rank	-0.2376

Opening gross 2.296e-08
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Domestic Total Gross -5.559e-09

Interesting Results: The Lord of the Rings



Fellowship of the Ring

13 nods

In theaters 243 days Run time 178 mins Opening ratio 15



Return of the King

11 nods

In theaters 170 days Run time 200 mins Opening ratio 18

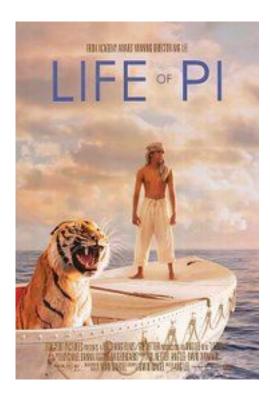


The Two Towers

Predicted: 13 nods Actual: 6

In theaters 250 days Run time 179 mins Opening ratio 19

Interesting Results: Life of Pi



Predicted: 3 nods

Actual: 11

Release date: Nov 21 In theaters 247 days Opening Ratio 18

Opening weekend rank: 5

thank you

