

Exercise 2

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Overview

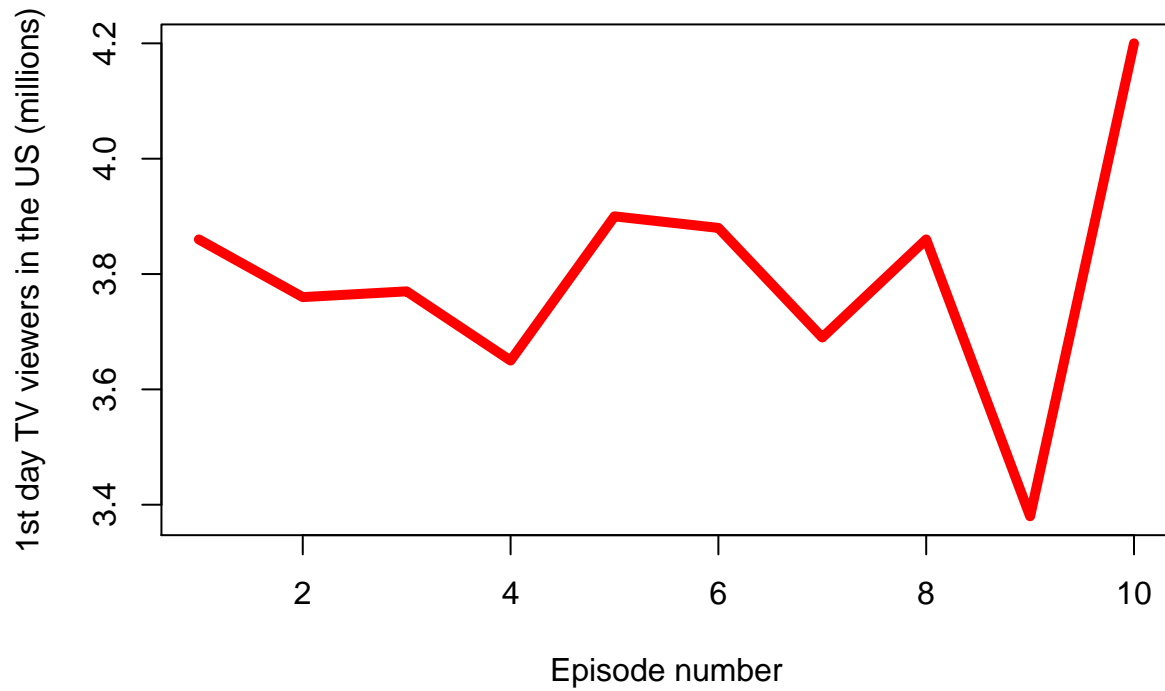
(From the Wikipedia) Game of Thrones is an American fantasy drama television series created by David Benioff and D. B. Weiss for HBO. It is an adaptation of A Song of Ice and Fire, a series of fantasy novels by George R. R. Martin, the first of which is A Game of Thrones.

Set on the fictional continents of Westeros and Essos, Game of Thrones has a large ensemble cast and follows several story arcs throughout the course of the show. A major arc concerns the Iron Throne of the Seven Kingdoms of Westeros through a web of political conflicts among the noble families either vying to claim the throne or fighting for independence from it. Another focuses on the last descendant of the realm's deposed ruling dynasty, who has been exiled to Essos and is plotting a return to the throne. A third story arc follows the Night's Watch, a military order defending the realm against threats from the North.

Game of Thrones (season 2) summary

The story takes place in a fictional world, primarily on a continent called Westeros, with one storyline occurring on another continent to the east, Essos. Like the novel, the season follows up the dramatic death of Lord Eddard "Ned" Stark, with all of the Starks being separated across Westeros. Season two mainly centers around the War of the Five Kings, fought among the leaders of Westerosi factions who are either staking a claim to the Iron Throne, or seeking independence from it. King Robert's widow, Cersei, stays in the capital as queen regent; her twin brother Jaime is Robb Stark's prisoner, and her other brother, the dwarf Tyrion, acts as King Joffrey's Hand, until the siblings' father, Tywin Lannister, returns to help defend the capital. Meanwhile, in Essos, with three newborn dragons by her side, Daenerys Targaryen works with religious certitude to find allies and resources to help her to fulfill her perceived destiny to win the Iron Throne. The season ends beyond the northern Wall, with the first glimpse of the army of the dead.

You can see how the viewership of the episodes changed in Figure 1.



Finally, the episodes with the above-average viewership were:

No..in.season	Title	Directed.by
1	"The North Remembers"	Alan Taylor
2	"The Night Lands"	Alan Taylor
3	"What Is Dead May Never Die"	Alik Sakharov
4	"Garden of Bones"	David Petrarca
5	"The Ghost of Harrenhal"	David Petrarca
6	"The Old Gods and the New"	David Nutter
7	"A Man Without Honor"	David Nutter
8	"The Prince of Winterfell"	Alan Taylor
9	"Blackwater"	Neil Marshall
10	"Valar Morghulis"	Alan Taylor