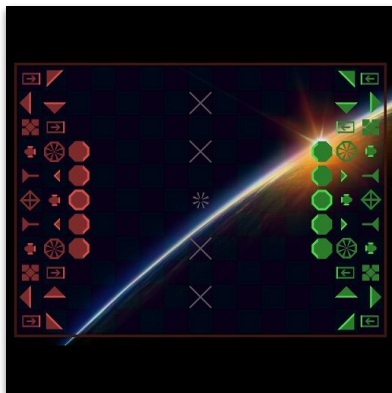


# Apple App Store Game Icons linked to User Rating



# Objective

Can we predict the user rating of a game from the Apple App Store based on the appearance of the game's icon (512 x 512 pixels)?



**Laser Chess**

Average User Rating: 1.5

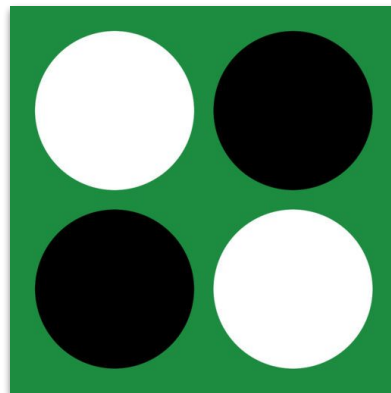
User Rating Count: 200



**Tank Ace 1944 HD Lite**

Average User Rating: 2

User Rating Count: 697



**Morocco**

Average User Rating: 3

User Rating Count: 8,376



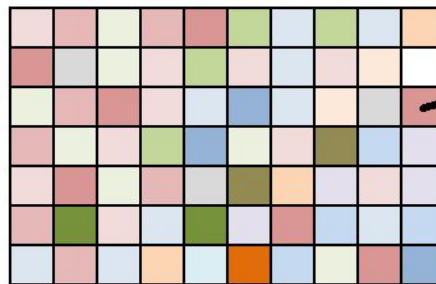
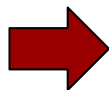
**Kingdom Rush HD**

Average User Rating: 5

User Rating Count: 36,212

# Data Preparation

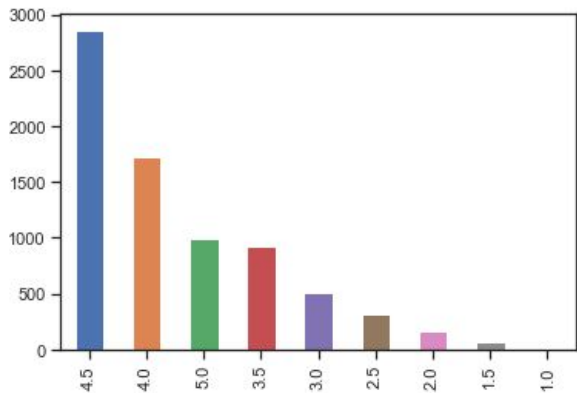
- Data set from Kaggle consists of 17,007 strategy games from Apple App Store collected on August 3rd, 2019
- Each game icon jpg (taken from Icon URL) converted into 512 x 512 strings of color code (RGB format)
- Based on color codes in icon, 3 features created:
  - hpercent\_c\_cnt: count of colors taking >10% of full image
  - lpercent\_c\_cnt: count of colors taking <0.1% of the full image
  - max\_c\_cnt: count of pixels of the color that appears the most in the icon image



RGB (218, 150, 149)

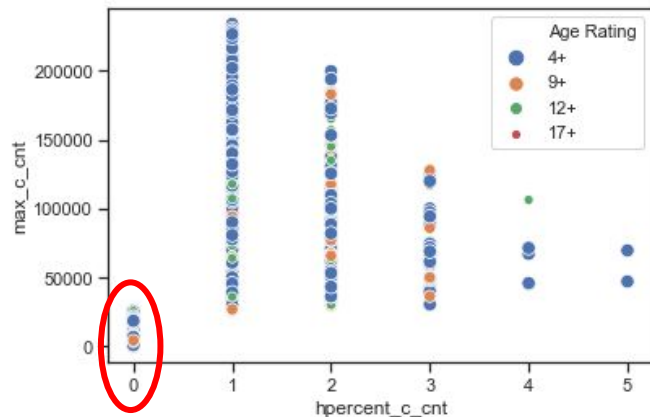
R = 11011010  
G = 10010110  
B = 10010101

# Data Exploration



Prelim observation - data set consists heavily of highly rated games (potentially impacting model)

hpercent_c_cnt	Average User Rating	Count
0	4.0	676
	4.5	1,435
	5.0	206
1	4.0	153
	4.5	277
	5.0	55
2	4.0	37
	4.5	91
	5.0	41



Majority of high rated games have icon images with 0 color taking >10% of full image (hpercent\_c\_cnt) and <27K pixels of color that appears most in icon (max\_c\_cnt)

# Data Modeling - Random Forest Classifier

```
X = df[['hpercent_c_cnt', 'max_c_cnt']] # feature variables tried: hpercent_c_cnt & max_c_cnt ; or aggregate
y = df['Great_App']

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X,y,test_size=0.3)

rf = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100)

rf.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Predictions: Apply classifier to test data
rf_predict = rf.predict(X_test)
```

Accuracy: 0.63199647

```
X = df[['hpercent_is_0', 'max_c_cnt_is_less_27000']] # feature variables tried: hpercent_c_cnt & max_c_c
y = df['Great_App']

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X,y,test_size=0.3)

rf2 = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100)

rf2.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Predictions: Apply classifier to test data
rf2_predict = rf2.predict(X_test)
```

Accuracy (after fine  
tuning): 0.73336271

# Data Modeling - Random Forest Classifier

=== Confusion Matrix ===

```
[[ 0 605]
 [ 0 1664]]
```

Model accurately predicted 73% cases that game is a Great App (rating 4+), 27% incorrectly predicted

=== Classification Report ===

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	605
1	0.73	1.00	0.85	1664
micro avg	0.73	0.73	0.73	2269
macro avg	0.37	0.50	0.42	2269
weighted avg	0.54	0.73	0.62	2269

73% precision classifying game is a Great App based on feature variables hpercent\_is\_0 & max\_c\_cnt\_is\_less70000; 100% recall

=== All AUC Scores ===

```
[0.436497 0.45195962 0.4696196 0.45510767 0.50147055 0.50494844
 0.51503478 0.46703445 0.53500898 0.48154344]
```

=== Mean AUC Score ===

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Mean AUC Score - Random Forest: 0.4818224538568163
```

Mean AUC Score of 0.48, however, indicating mediocre classifier to distinguish between highly rated games vs. lower rated games



## Results - True Positives : Game icons correctly classified as highly rated and actual rating is 4+



### **Logic Puzzles+**

Average User Rating: 5  
User Rating Count: 50  
Hpercent\_c\_cnt: 0  
max\_c\_cnt: 17,388



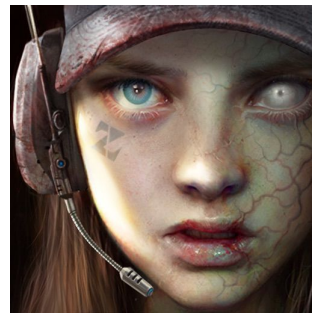
### **Land Air Sea Warfare HD RTS**

Average User Rating: 4  
User Rating Count: 660  
Hpercent\_c\_cnt: 0  
max\_c\_cnt: 518



### **Solitaire 2017 HD**

Average User Rating: 4  
User Rating Count: 241  
Hpercent\_c\_cnt: 0  
max\_c\_cnt: 9,790



### **Age of Z**

Average User Rating: 4.5  
User Rating Count: 3,553  
Hpercent\_c\_cnt: 0  
max\_c\_cnt: 814

## Results - False Positives : Game icons incorrectly classified as highly rated but actual rating is <4



### **Sport Car Driving : City Adventure**

Average User Rating: 3  
User Rating Count: 97  
Hpercent\_c\_cnt: 0  
max\_c\_cnt: 1,707



### **Free Ping Pong Table Tennis**

Average User Rating: 2.5  
User Rating Count: 660  
Hpercent\_c\_cnt: 0  
max\_c\_cnt: 2,678



### **Tools for MTG**

Average User Rating: 3.5  
User Rating Count: 13  
Hpercent\_c\_cnt: 0  
max\_c\_cnt: 24,240



### **Stick Castles War**

Average User Rating: 3.5  
User Rating Count: 71  
Hpercent\_c\_cnt: 0  
max\_c\_cnt: 40,396