



Does Apple's Fixed iPhone Release Schedule Hurt Its Customer Satisfaction?

An Analysis of Amazon Reviews for the iPhone X

Web Scraping Project
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Scraping amazon.co.uk



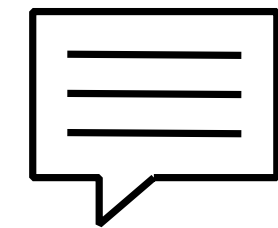
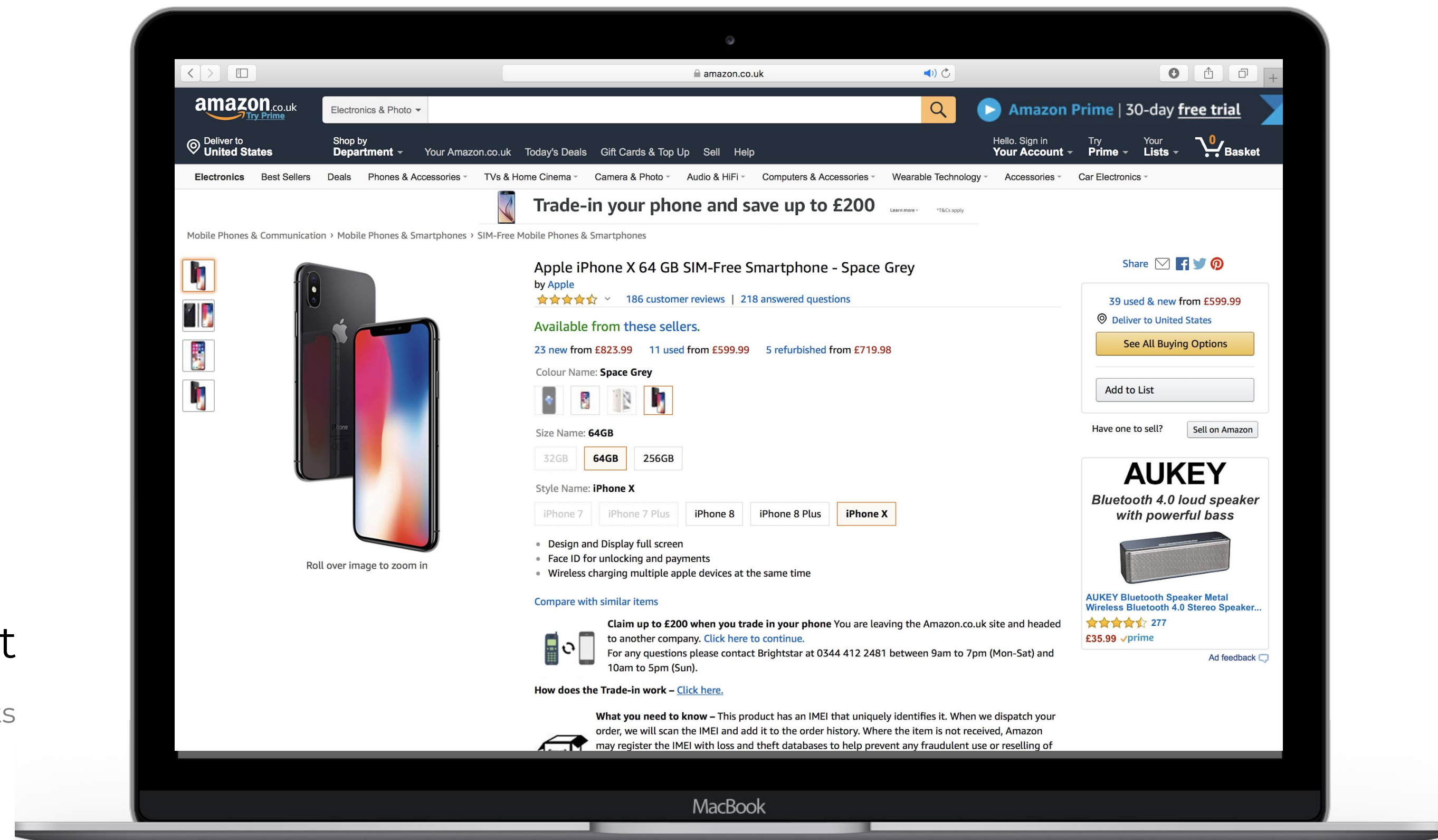
Selenium

Using Selenium to scrape
amazon.co.uk



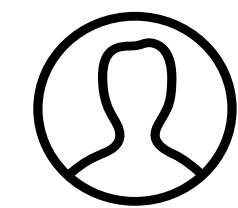
Important Market

Europe one of top 3 markets
for the iPhone



Reviews

Scraping ratings, review titles,
review texts, and helpful votes



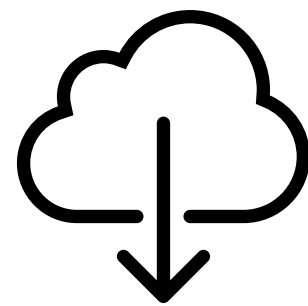
User Information

amazon.co.uk provides detailed
information about users

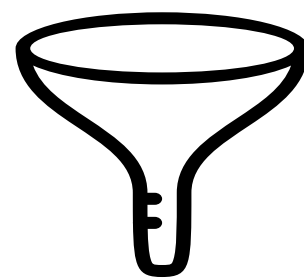
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Workflow

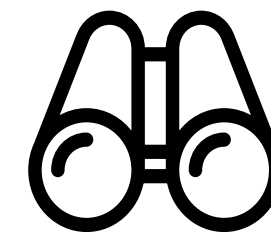
Scraping amazon.co.uk utilizing several Python packages



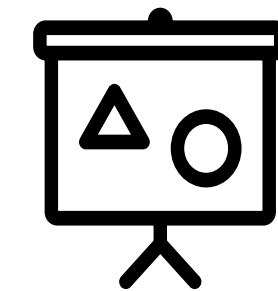
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Filtering &
Cleaning Data
Pandas, NumPy, RE



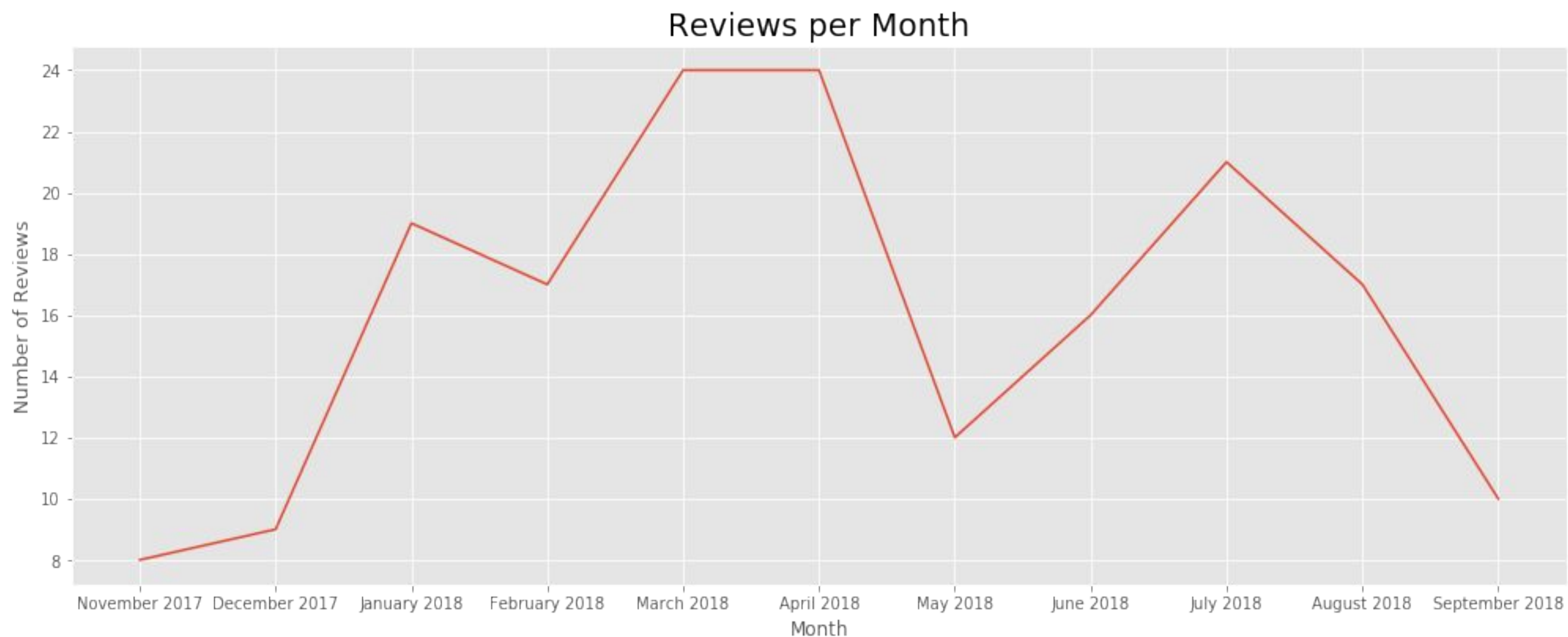
Data Manipulation
& Analysis
Pandas, NLTK

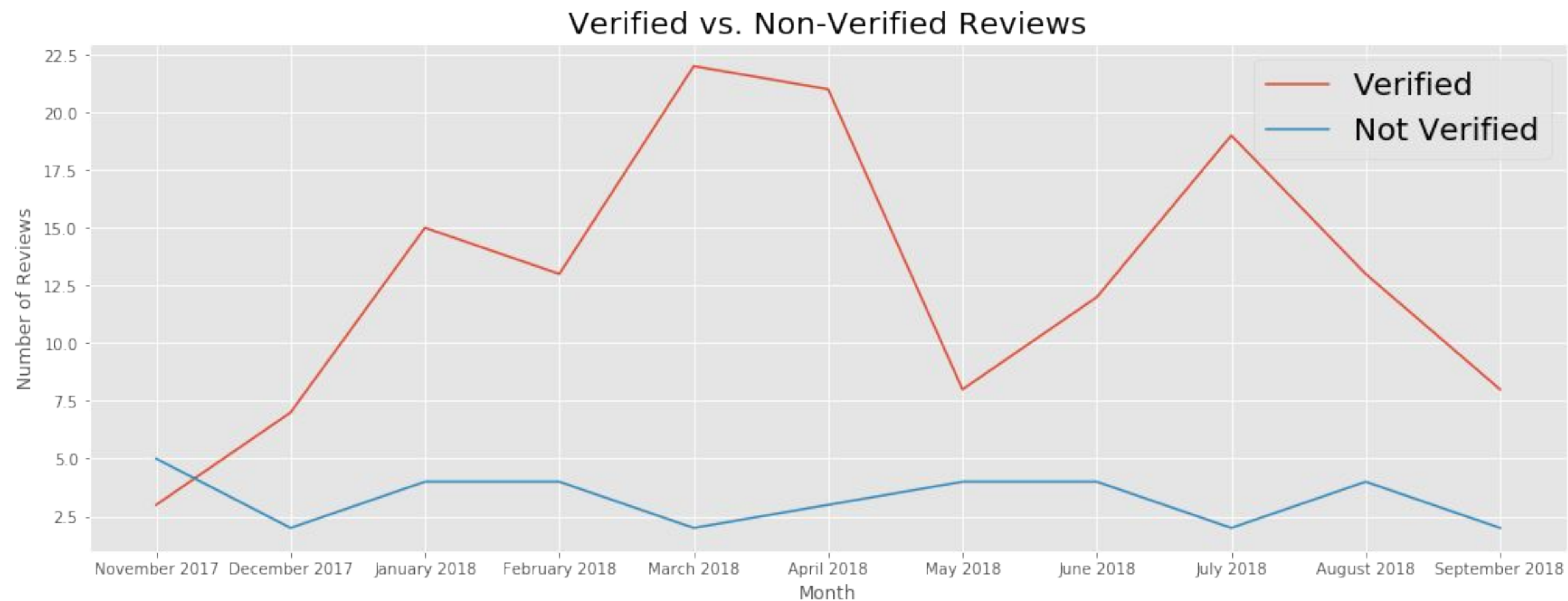


Data Visualization
Matplotlib, Seaborn, wordcloud

Number of Reviews per Month

Against initial expectations, relatively little reviews after release





More verified reviews

Majority of reviews from verified users

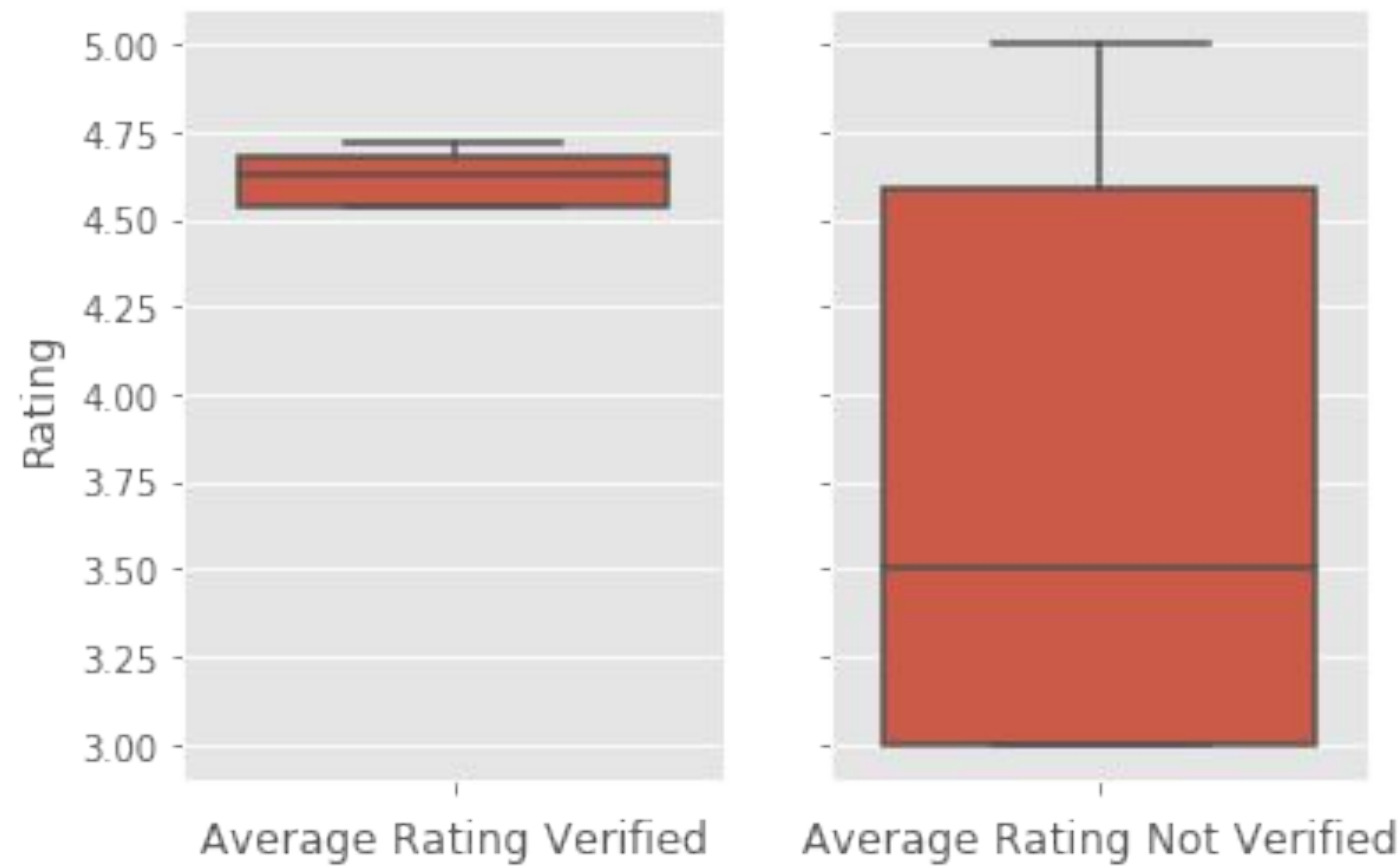
Initially more non-verified reviews

Right after the release was the only point at which there were more non-verified reviews

Most reviews in March 2018

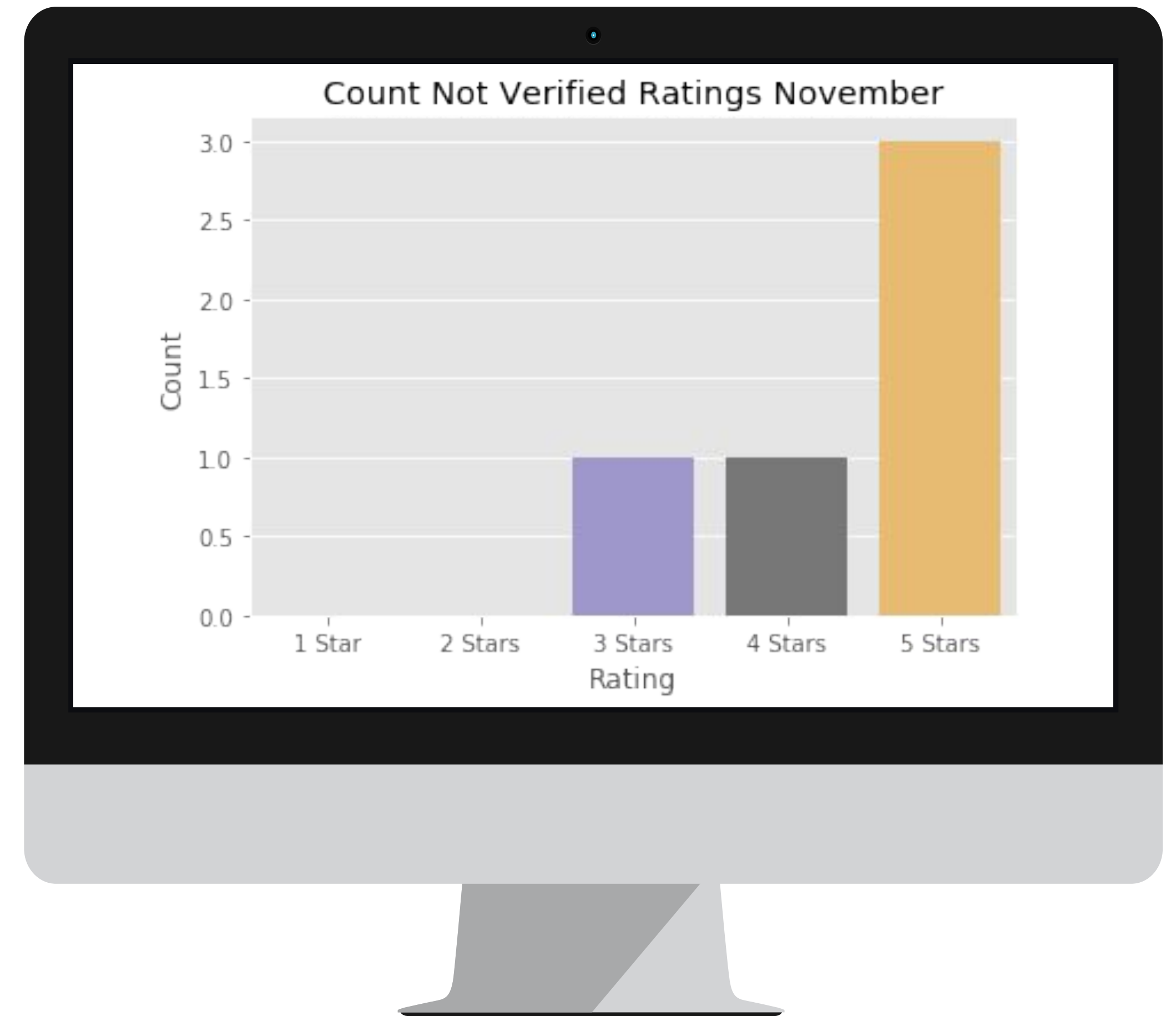
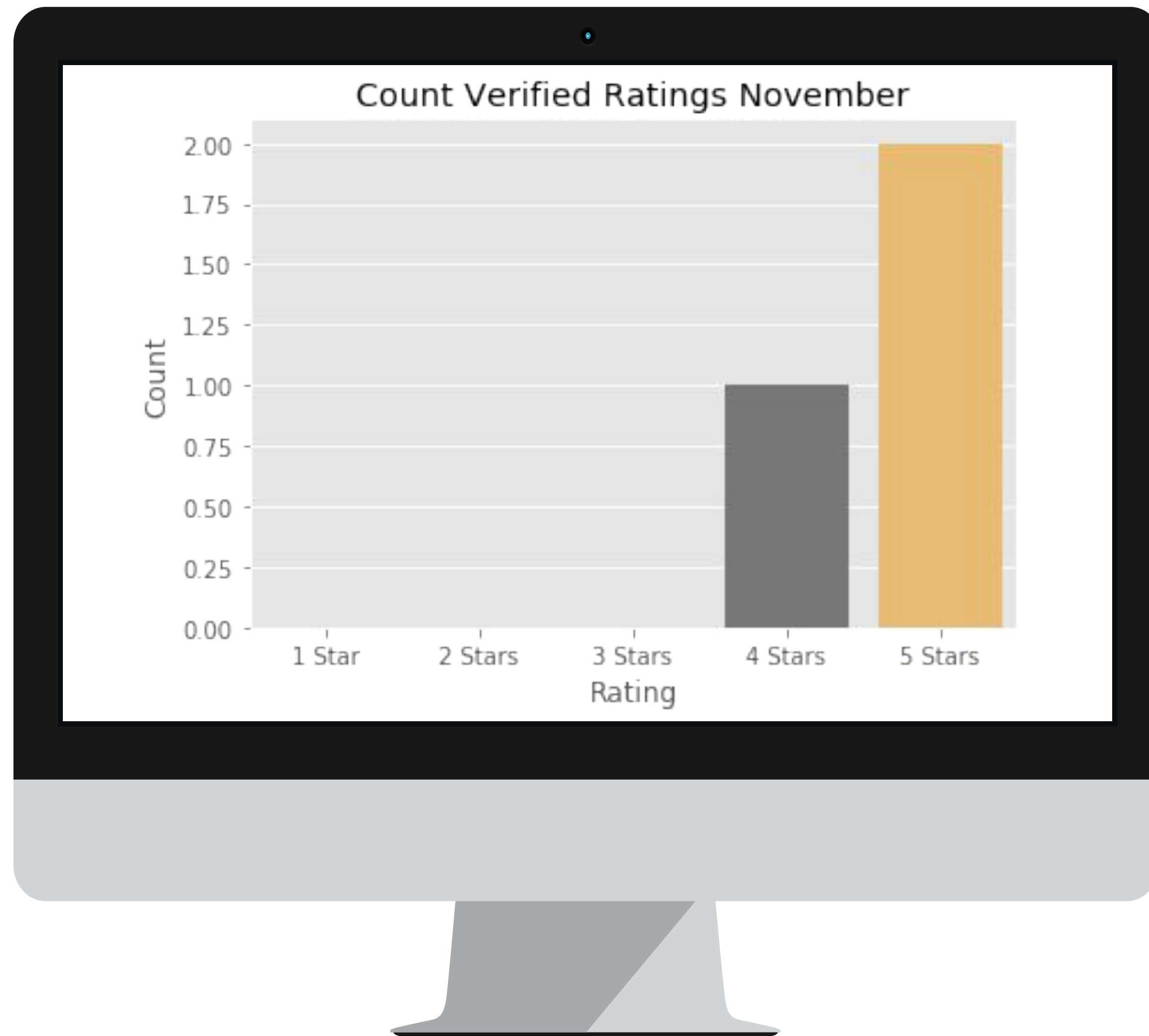
Reverse U-shaped pattern of verified reviews

Boxplot Average Rating Verified vs. Not Verified






Significant Differences between Verified and Unverified Reviews

Verified vs. Unverified Reviews in November 2017

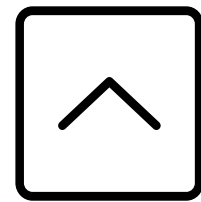


Review Analysis



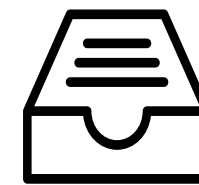
-  **Overwhelmingly positive**
Mostly positive words indicating high customer satisfaction
 -  **Fast delivery**
Not necessarily important insight for Apple, but for Amazon
 -  **Barely dissatisfaction with early bugs**
No mentioning of problems with iOS or FaceID

Fake Review Index



Σ of Helpful Votes

If a user gets little helpful votes per review, the reviews are more likely to be fake



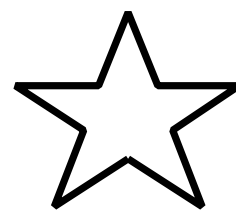
Σ of Reviews

If a user only leaves very little reviews, they are less likely to be an active community member



Review Dates

If a user leaves many reviews on the same day, the reviews are more likely to be fake



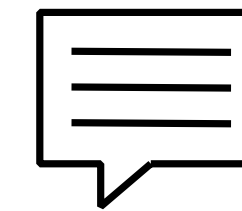
Ratings

If a user only leaves 5 or 1 star reviews, they are more likely to be fake



Review Titles

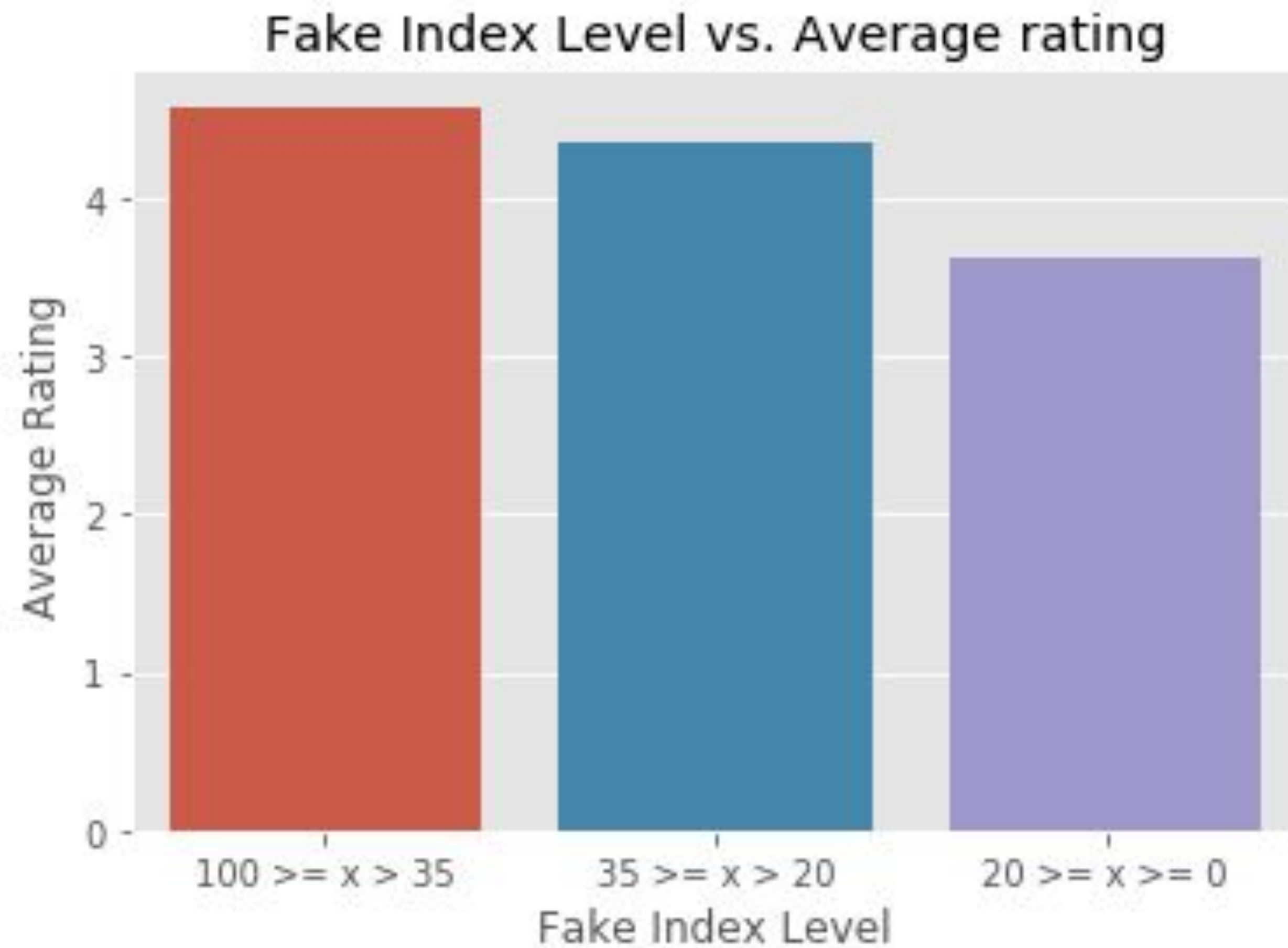
If a user uses the same title for multiple reviews, the reviews are more likely to be fake



Review Texts

If a user uses the same text for multiple reviews, the reviews are more likely to be fake

Fake Review Index



Score > 35

Relatively likely to be a fake
review

Score between
20 and 35

Grey area

Score Below
20

Unlikely to be a fake review

Conclusion

➤ Apple's customer satisfaction is still very high

At first glance, potential problems resulting from a fixed product development schedule do not seem to impact customer satisfaction

➤ Verified reviews consistently higher than unverified reviews

Indicates that customers are split into clearly separated groups with strong opinions regarding their brand / smartphone of choice

➤ "Real" reviews tend to be lower

Thank you!

Audience questions & answers

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Answer: