

The Greatest Films of All Time

How to use multiple data sources
to find a movie you will love

Owen Temple

ANALYTICS WORKFLOW



The Problem

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Can we combine and use multiple “greatest films” lists and IMDB ratings to create a reliable movie recommendation?

What decades are “greatest movies” more likely to be from?

What directors make the “greatest films of all time”?

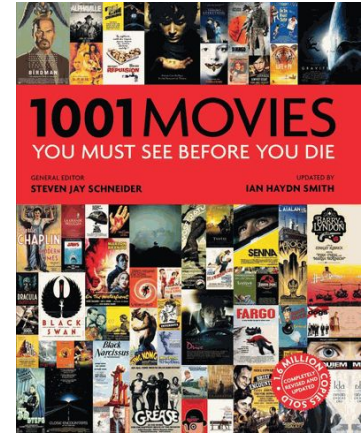
What genres are included in the greatest films?

The Problem: Multiple Sources



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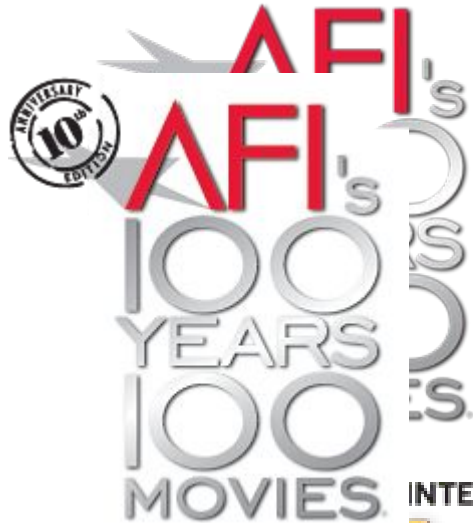
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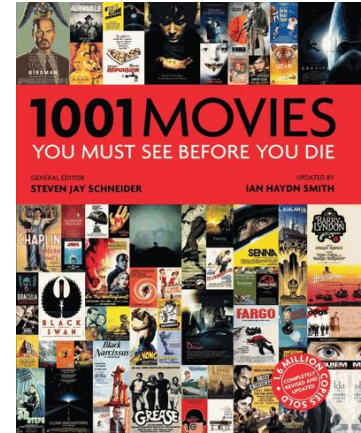
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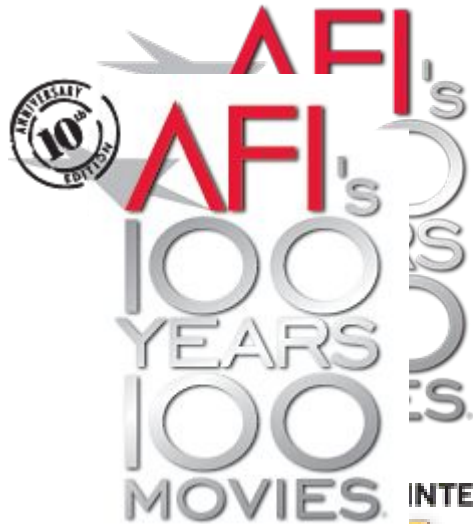


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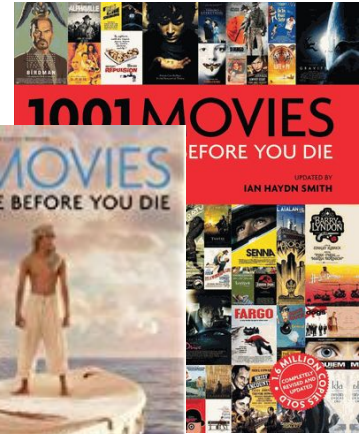
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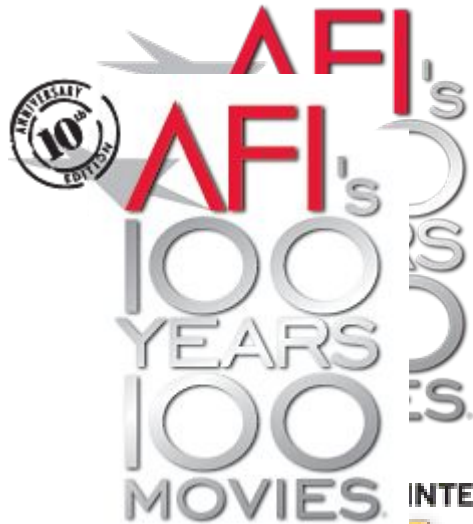
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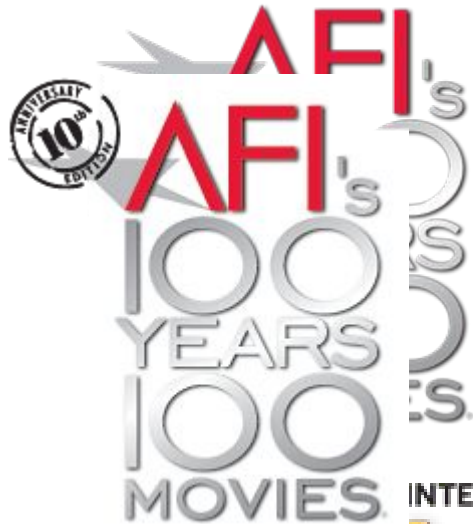


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YOU MUST SEE BEFORE YOU DIE



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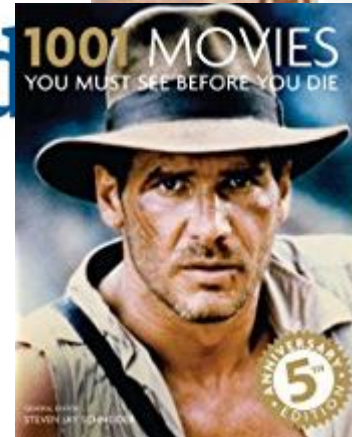
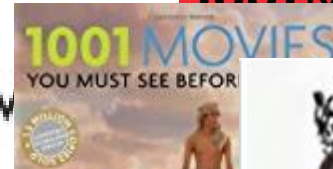
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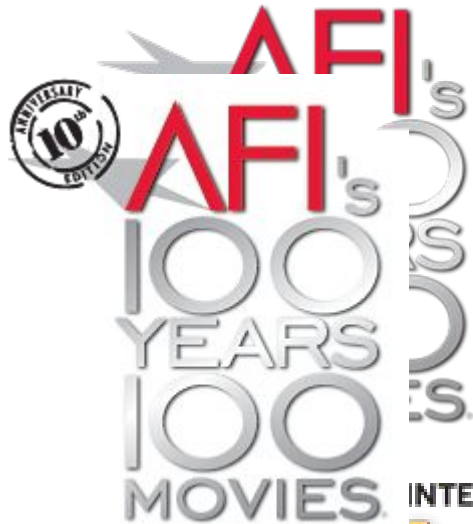
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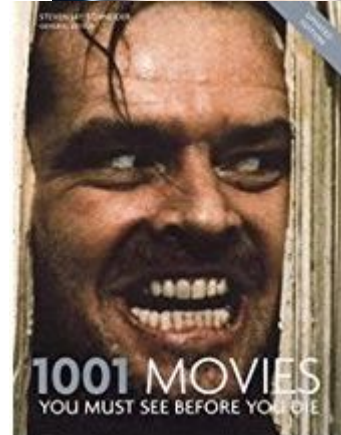
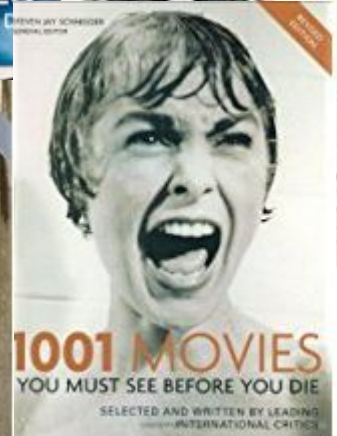
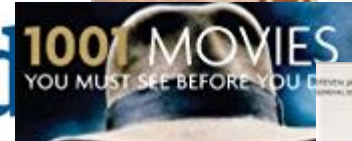
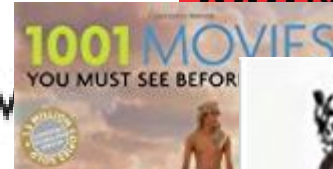
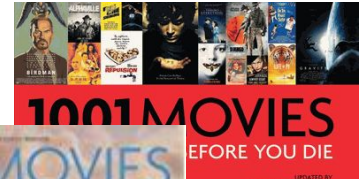


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Gather Titles using Copy/Paste and API



OMDb API

The Open Movie Database

curl://



Primary Key: Find IMDB IDs



Remove Duplicates, Wrong Titles



A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X
imdb_id	rank_afc_20t	rank_afc_19t	rank_wga_2t	rank_ss_201	included_in_	included_in_title	year	rated	released	runtime	genre	director	writer	actors	plot	language	country	awards	poster	metascore	imdb_rating	imdb_votes	
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2	tt0082971	66	60	42	TRUE	TRUE	Raiders of t	1981	PG	12-Jun-81	115 min	Action, Adve	Steven Spiell	Lawrence Ka Harrison For	Archaeologis	English, Gerr	USA	Won 4 Oscar	http://ia.mei	85	8.5	665,774	
3	tt0026174				TRUE	TRUE	Captain Bloo	1935	NOT RATED	28-Dec-35	119 min	Action, Adve	Michael Curt	Rafael Sabati	Errol Flynn, c	After being v	English, Fren	USA	N/A	http://ia.mei	N/A	7.8	9,922
4	tt0096895				TRUE	TRUE	Batman	1989	PG-13	23-Jun-89	126 min	Action, Adve	Tim Burton	Bob Kane (B; Michael Keat	The Dark Kni	English, Fren	USA, UK	Won 1 Oscar	http://ia.mei	69	7.6	271,082	
5	tt0103285				TRUE	TRUE	Once Upon a	1991	R	15-Aug-91	134 min	Action, Adve	Hark Tsui	Yiu-ming Leu	Jet Li, Biao Yi	Set in late 19	Cantonese, E	Hong Kong	5 wins & 4 n	https://img	N/A	7.4	14,037
6	tt0017925			34	TRUE	TRUE	The General	1926	UNRATED	24-Feb-27	67 min	Action, Adve	Clyde Bruckn	Buster Keato	Buster Keato	When Union	English	USA	2 wins & 1 n	https://img	N/A	8.2	54,036
7	tt0046414				TRUE	TRUE	Beat the Dev	1953	APPROVED	17-Dec-53	89 min	Action, Adve	John Huston	Claud Cockbi	Humphrey B	On their way	English, Italia	UK, USA, Ital	1 win.	https://img	N/A	6.6	6,206
8	tt0087332				TRUE	TRUE	Ghostbuster	1984	PG	8-Jun-84	105 min	Action, Adve	Ivan Reitmar	Dan Aykroyd	Bill Murray, f	Three forme	English	USA	Nominated f	https://img	67	7.8	275,143
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13	tt0120737	50			TRUE	TRUE	The Lord of t	2001	PG-13	19-Dec-01	178 min	Action, Adve	Peter Jackson	J.R.R. Tolkien	Alan Howard	A meek Hobit	English, Sind	New Zealand	Won 4 Oscar	https://img	92	8.8	1,252,518



Titles sourced from American Film Institute, Writer's Guild of America, Sight & Sound Critic's Survey, The Guardian, and Barron's 1001 Movies to See Before You Die

The columns indicate either rank or inclusion on these lists, imdbID, and other details on the film and its release.

rank_afc_2007

- Film's rank position from 1 to 100 on American Film Institute's 2007 edition of The Greatest American Films of All Time (<http://www.afi.com/100Years/movies10.aspx>)

rank_afc_1998

- Film's rank position from 1 to 100 on American Film Institute's 1998 edition of The Greatest American Films of All Time (<http://www.afi.com/100years/movies.aspx>)

rank_wga_2005

- Film's rank position from 1 to 101 on Writers Guild of America's 2005 edition of The 101 Greatest Screenplays (<http://www.wga.org/writers-room/101-best-lists/101-greatest-screenplays/list>)

rank_ss_2012

- Film's rank position from 1 to 50 on The Sight & Sound 2012 edition of The Top 50 Greatest Films of All Time (<http://www.bfi.org.uk/news/50-greatest-films-all-time>)

included_in_guardian_list

- True indicates film is included in The Guardian's 2010 edition of The Greatest Films of All Time (<https://www.theguardian.com/news/datablog/2010/oct/16/greatest-films-of-all-time>)

included_in_1001_book

- True indicates film is included in any edition of the book 1,001 Movies to See Before You Die, 2003 through 2015 (http://1001films.wikia.com/wiki/The_Books)



master_list_greatest_films.csv

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Calculate Fields



Dummy-1001 Book

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IF ([Included In 1001 Book] = TRUE)
THEN 1
ELSE 0
END
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The calculation is valid.

Sheets Affected ▾

Apply

OK

Calculate Fields



Dummy-1001 Book

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IF ([Included In 1001 Book] = TRUE)
THEN 1
ELSE 0
END

▶

The calculation is valid. Sheets Affected ▾ Apply OK

Dummy-AFC 2007

×

IF ISNULL([Rank Afc 2007]) THEN 0
ELSE 1
END

▶

The calculation is valid. Sheets Affected ▾ Apply OK

Calculate Fields



Dummy-1001 Book

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IF ([Included In 1001 Book] = TRUE)
THEN 1
ELSE 0
END

List of Lists Score

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[Dummy-1001 Book] +
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[Dummy-SS 2012] +
[Dummy-WGA 2005] +
[Dummy-Guardian List]

The calculation is valid. Sheets Affected ☐

Dummy-AFC 2007

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IF ISNULL([Rank Afc 2007]) THEN 0
ELSE 1
END

The calculation is valid. Sheets Affected ☐

Apply

OK

The calculation is valid. Sheets Affected ☐

Apply

OK

Visualization in Tableau



Limitations



Recommendations are limited by quality of the list, but somewhat easy to add new lists (through Union in Tableau) as desired

More recent movies underrepresented

Next Steps



Now that I have a reliable primary key (IMDB ID), I can link to other databases with movie data

Post data to data.world

A Chance Encounter



data.world *preview*



Robert Lewis

Assistant Professor

Stan Richards School of
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data.world *preview*



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Owen, cool data! Check out my profile ... maybe you'll find my dataset useful? There might be some components that you could take from my data and add to yours.



data.world *preview*

Film subtitles' linguistic inquiry word count (liwc), sentiment, and IMDb meta-data, N > 30k

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Filter ▾

Sort ▾



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genres

MovieName ⓘ	MovieYear ⓘ	MovieImdbID ⓘ ▾	UserRank ⓘ	SubDownloadsCnt ⓘ ▾	Tr
Jan Dara	2001	282628	bronze member	4094	
Forgetting the Girl	2012	1492842	No data.	276	
One Desire	1955	48448	gold member	83	
Genevieve	1953	45808	No data.	200	
Rough Night in Jericho	1967	62218	administrator	437	

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**Linguistic Inquiry
and Word Count**

MoralFoundations.org



Moral Foundations Theory was created by a group of social and cultural psychologists ([see us here](#)) to understand why morality varies so much across cultures yet still shows so many similarities and recurrent themes. In brief, the theory proposes that several innate and universally available psychological systems are the foundations of "intuitive ethics." Each culture then constructs virtues, narratives, and institutions on top of these foundations, thereby creating the unique moralities we see around the world, and conflicting within nations too. The five foundations for which we think the evidence is best are:

- 1) Care/harm:** This foundation is related to our long evolution as mammals with attachment systems and an ability to feel (and dislike) the pain of others. It underlies virtues of kindness, gentleness, and nurturance.
- 2) Fairness/cheating:** This foundation is related to the evolutionary process of reciprocal altruism. It generates ideas of justice, rights, and autonomy. [Note: In our original conception, Fairness included concerns about equality, which are more strongly endorsed by political liberals. However, as we reformulated the theory in 2011 based on new data, we emphasize proportionality, which is endorsed by everyone, but is more strongly endorsed by conservatives]
- 3) Loyalty/betrayal:** This foundation is related to our long history as tribal creatures able to form shifting coalitions. It underlies virtues of patriotism and self-sacrifice for the group. It is active anytime people feel that it's "one for all, and all for one."
- 4) Authority/subversion:** This foundation was shaped by our long primate history of hierarchical social interactions. It underlies virtues of leadership and followership, including deference to legitimate authority and respect for traditions.
- 5) Sanctity/degradation:** This foundation was shaped by the psychology of disgust and contamination. It underlies religious notions of striving to live in an elevated, less carnal, more noble way. It underlies the widespread idea that the body is a temple which can be desecrated by immoral activities and contaminants (an idea not unique to religious traditions).

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Moral Words in Movie Subtitles Counted



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01	HarmVirtue
02	HarmVice
03	FairnessVirtue
04	FairnessVice
05	IngroupVirtue
06	IngroupVice
07	AuthorityVirtue
08	AuthorityVice
09	PurityVirtue
10	PurityVice
11	MoralityGeneral
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(More) Problems



Can we learn about human values through the spoken content in the greatest films of all time?

Are there changes over time in word usage in the greatest films of all time?

What directors are more likely to talk about certain moral issues?

What film titles are particularly concerned with different kinds of moral dilemmas?

Combine Data Sets



Join

Data Source			GenresAndFinanceA...
Imdb Id	=		imdb_id (GenresA...
<i>Add new join clause</i>			

Subtitles Matched to Greatest Films



	Subtitles Available	Total
Dummy-1001 Book	970	1,177
Dummy-AFC 1998	98	100
Dummy-AFC 2007	98	100
Dummy-Guardian List	156	179
Dummy-SS 2012	39	52
Dummy-WGA 2005	99	101
Number of Records	1,000	1,211

Visualization in Tableau



Limitations



Much of movie storytelling and moral issues are visual, told in pictures

Subtitle transcription quality varies, especially for dialogue that is translated

Next Steps



The recommendation tool/viz is posted on Tableau Public at

<https://public.tableau.com/profile/owen.temple>

Look for other trusted greatest films lists to integrate

Begin testing recommendations firsthand

Greatest Movie Movie Quote



C3PO: "It's nothing sir. Old data. Pay it no mind"

Recommendation Based on 'Old Data'

