



GOOGLE PLAY STORE APPS

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WHY ANALYZE THE GOOGLE PLAY STORE?



Mobile App Market
is set to grow 20%
by 2023



Android Apps
comprise 90% of the
Mobile App Market



What makes an App
popular? Can we predict
how popular it's going to
be?



What are some
interesting patterns in
user behavior related to
app usage & feedback?



OVERVIEW OF ANALYSIS

Data Cleaning



Understand the structure of the dataset and clean data before analysis

Data Exploration



Uncover initial patterns, characteristics, and points of interest using visual exploration

Predictive Modeling



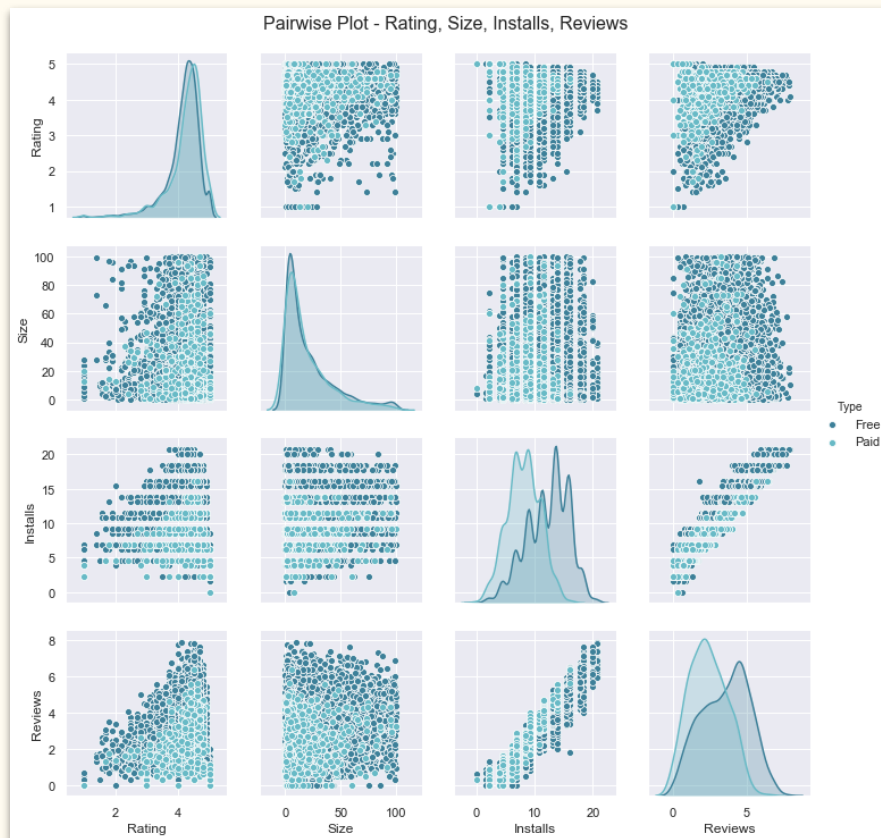
Formulate a statistical model to forecast an outcome using relevant predictors



EXPLORATORY ANALYSIS

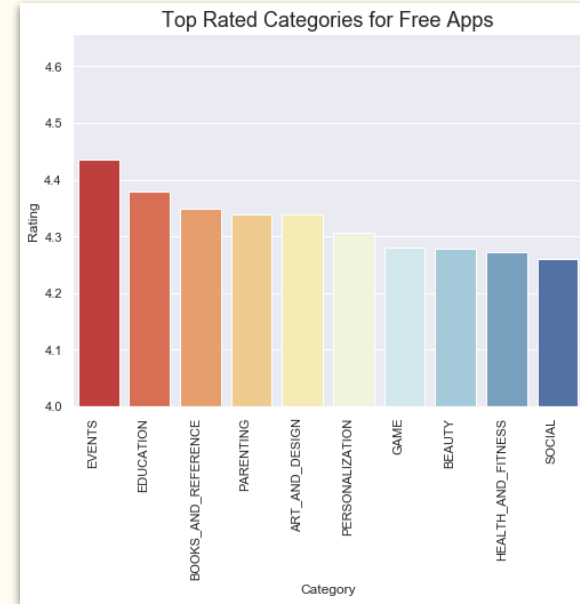
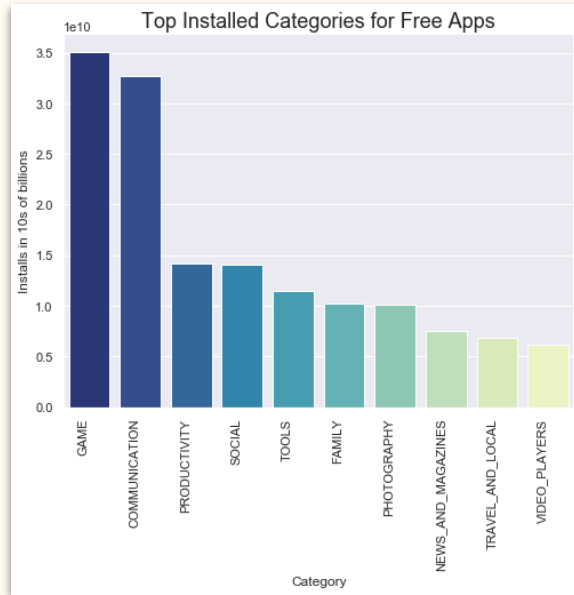


BIVARIATE ANALYSIS





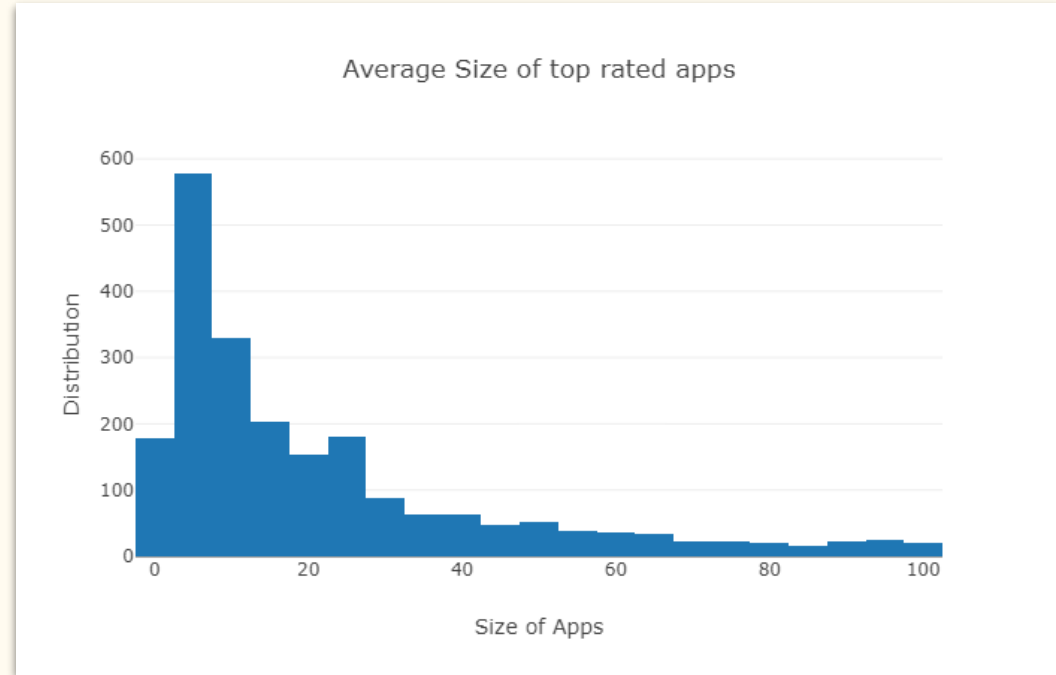
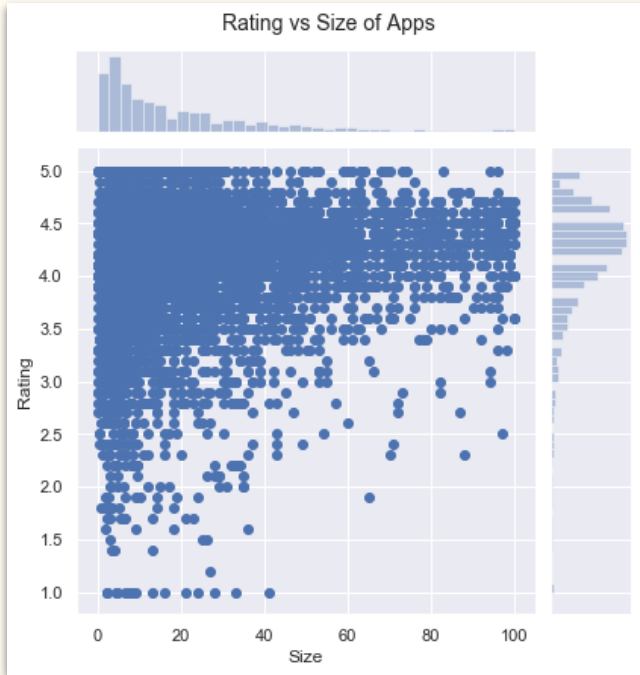
CATEGORIES IN DEMAND



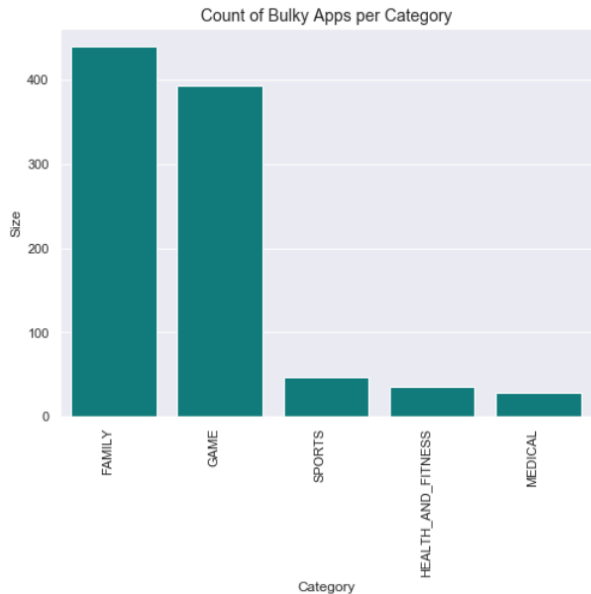
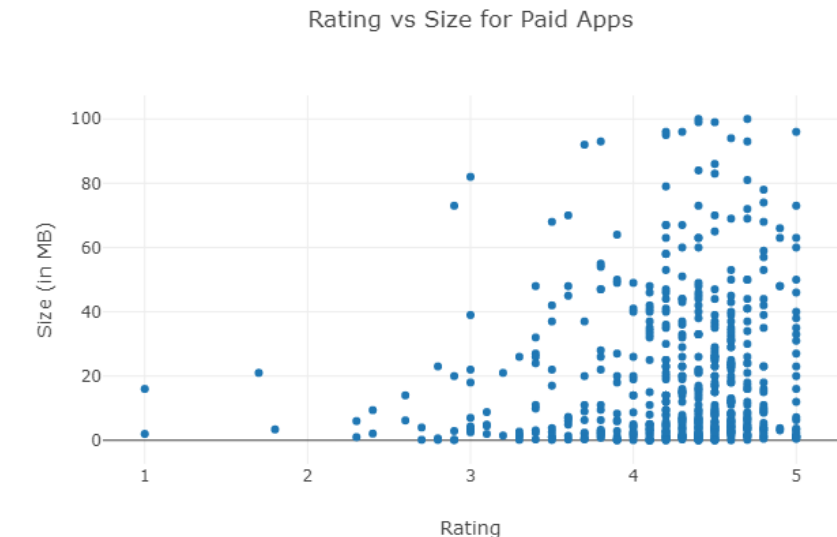
- Communication, Productivity, Tools, Family, Photography, News & Magazines, Travel & Local, Video Players are untapped free app categories
- High Installs because of a high underlying demand
- Low user satisfaction



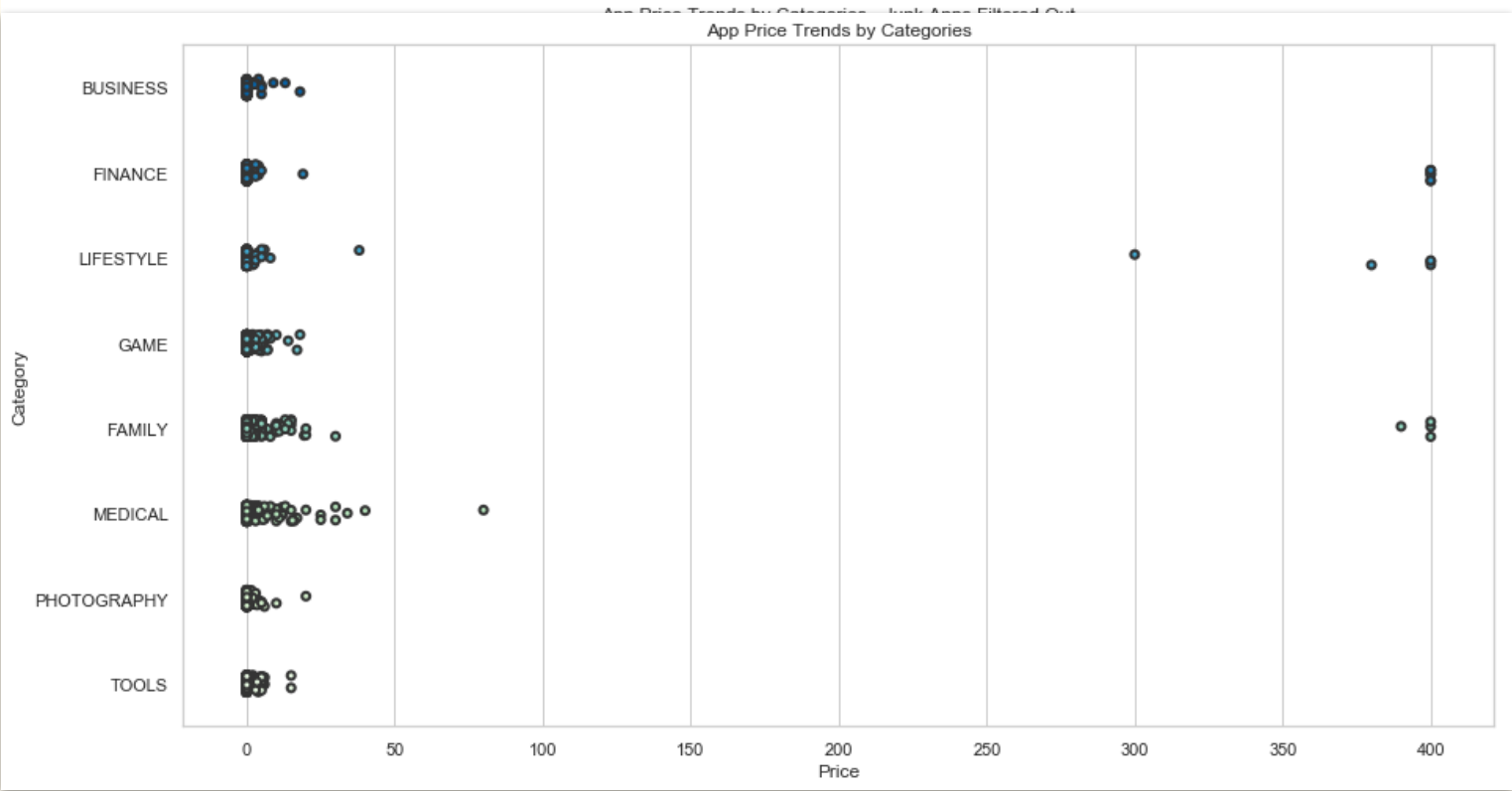
SIZING STRATEGY



Highly rated apps are optimally sized between ~2 MB and ~40 MB



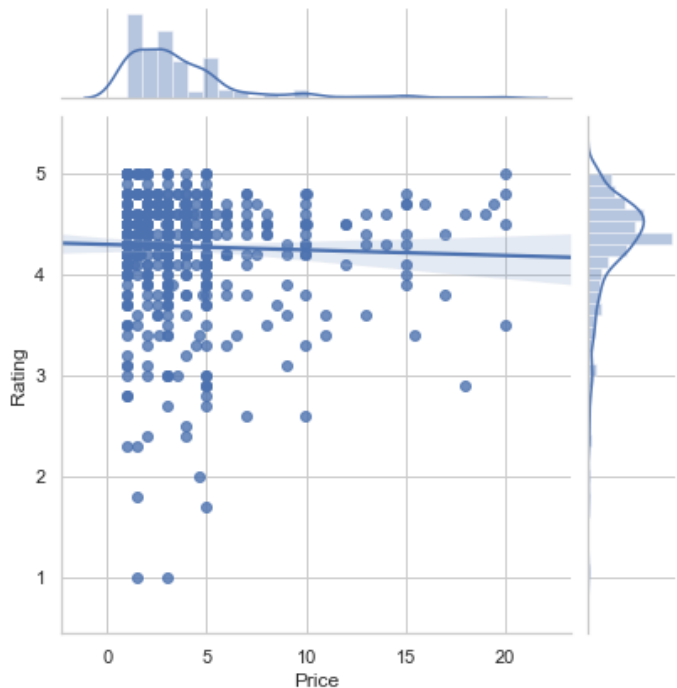
Users prefer to pay for apps that are light-weighted



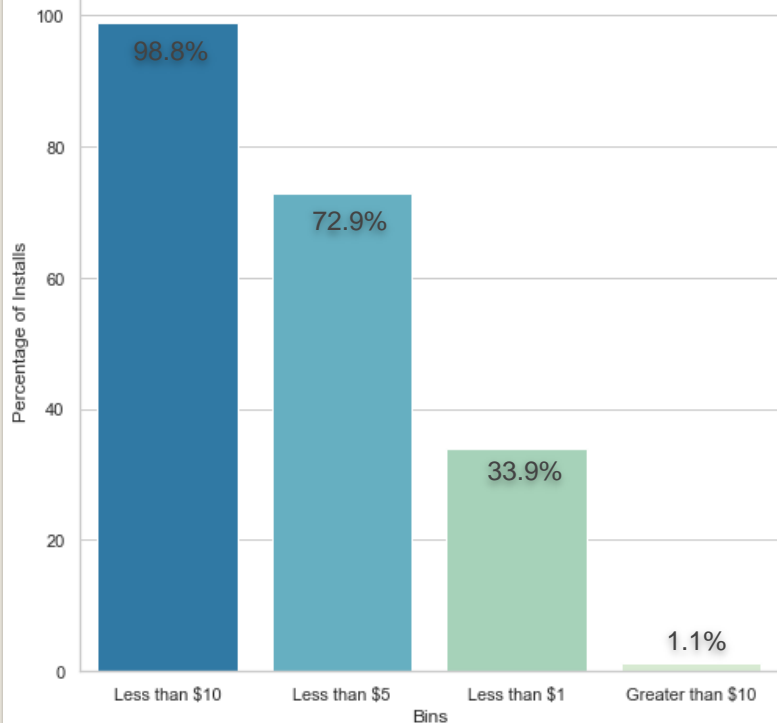


PRICING STRATEGY

Ratings vs. Price for Paid Apps

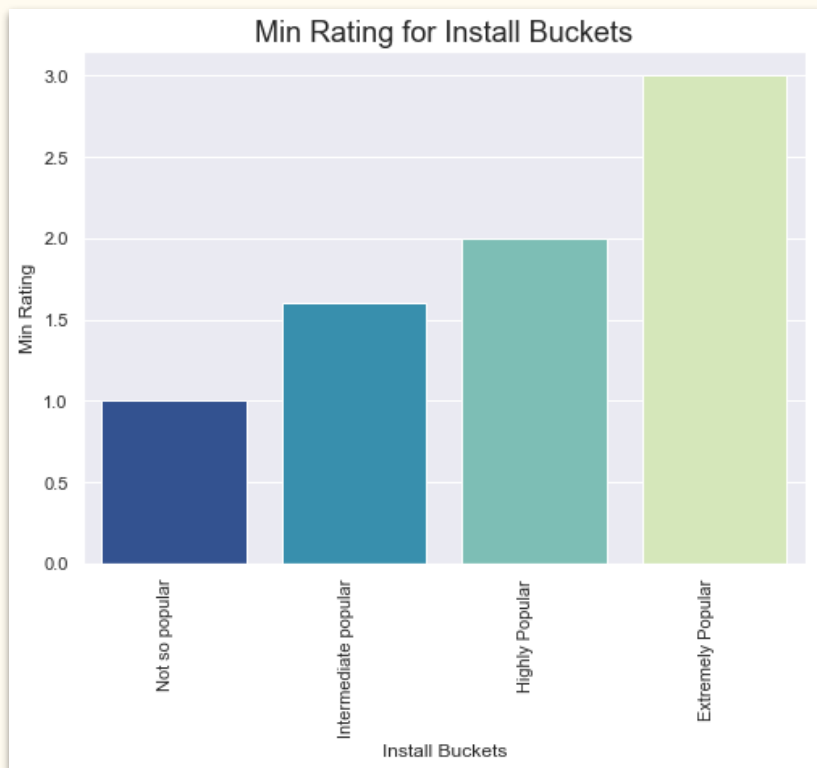


Percentage of Paid Apps Installs in Each Price Bin





HOW DOES MINIMUM RATING VARY WITH INSTALLS?

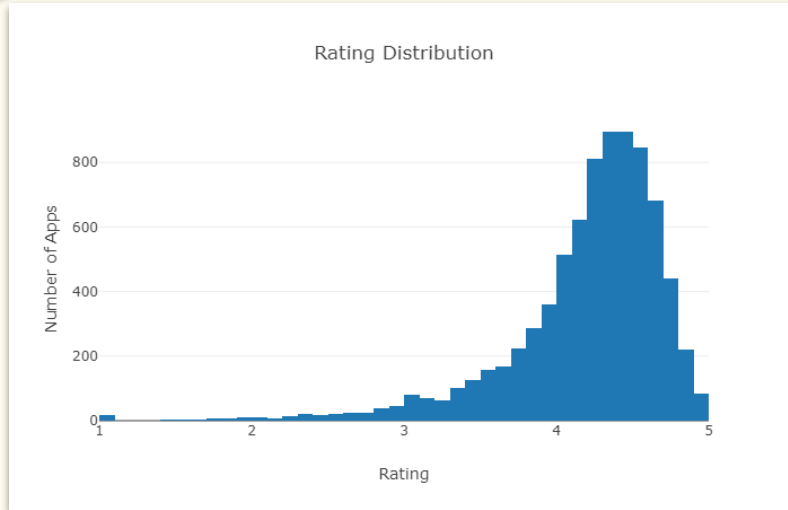


Installs	Install Buckets
0 - 10000	Not so popular
10000 - 100000	Intermediate popular
100000 - 500000	Highly Popular
500000+	Extremely Popular

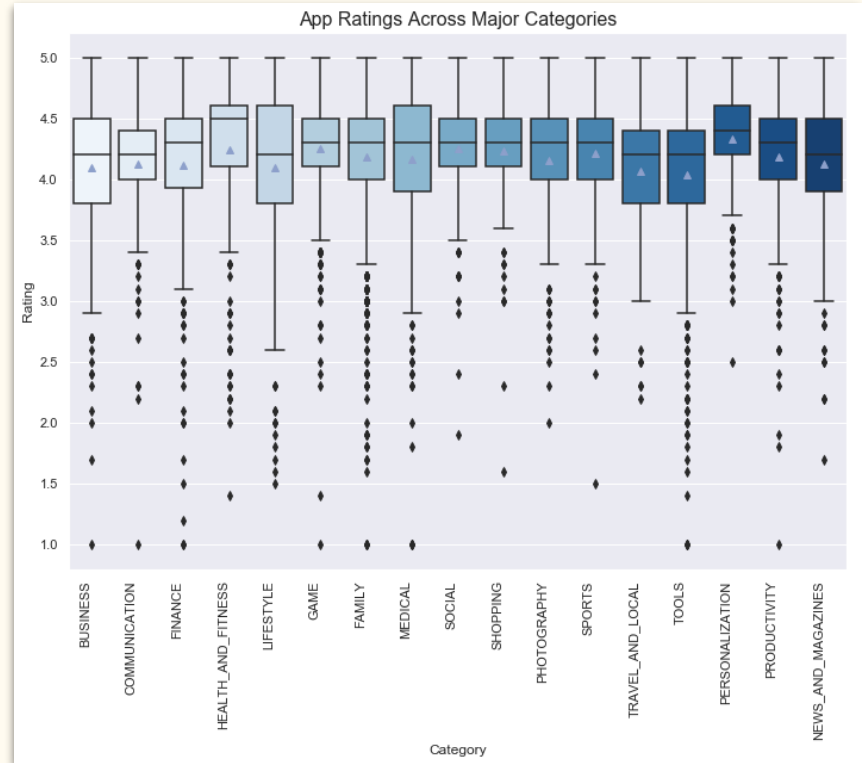
Finding: An app that finds a popular audience is less likely to be critically rated.



RATING DISTRIBUTION

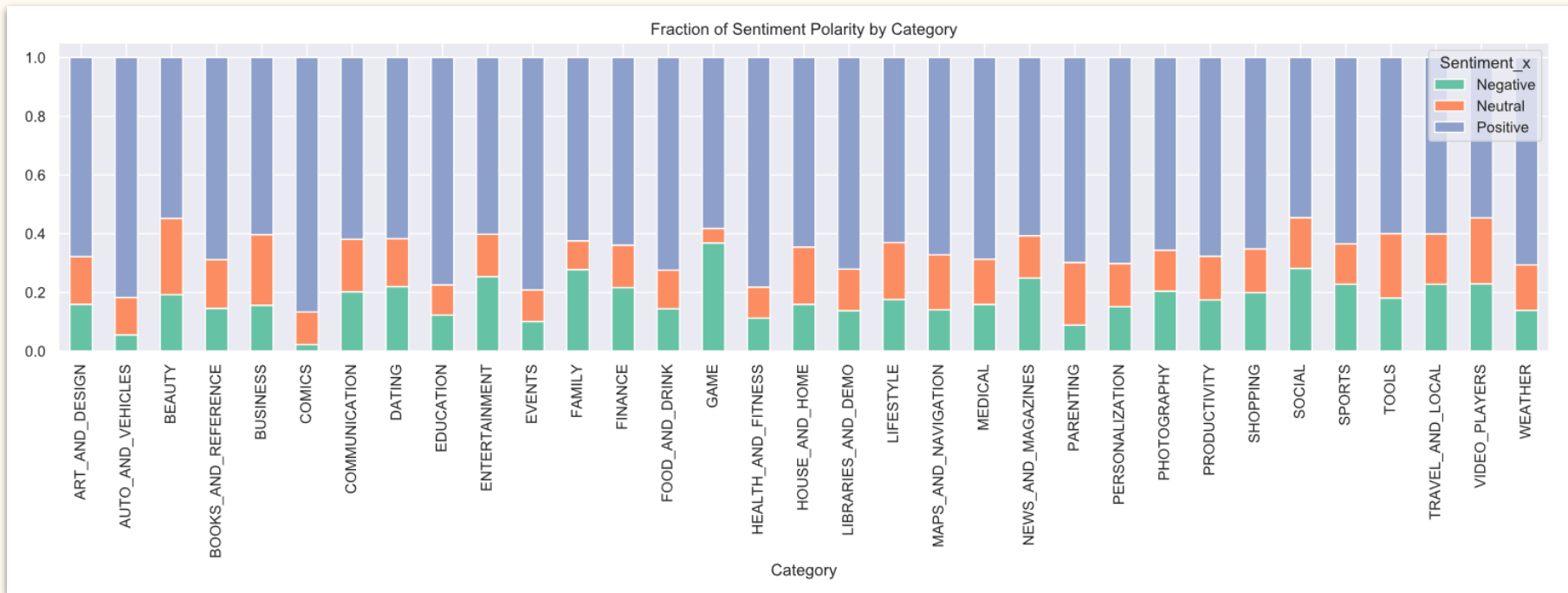


- Average rating of apps is 4.17
- One-way Anova test revealed that the average ratings of categories are statistically different
- Best performing apps - Health and Fitness
- Worst performing apps - Dating



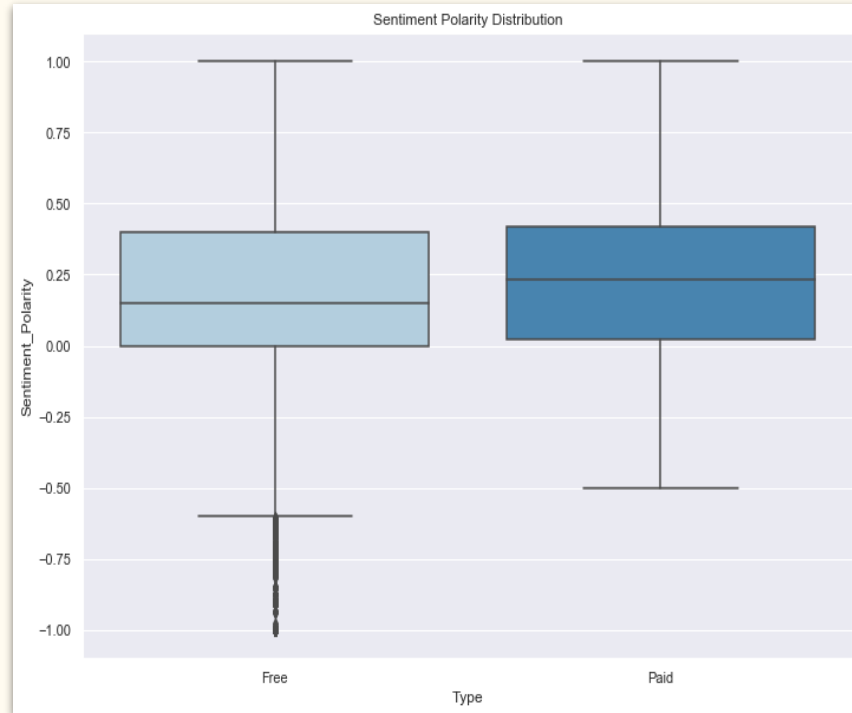


SENTIMENT POLARITY BY CATEGORY





SENTIMENT POLARITY BY TYPE (FREE/PAID)



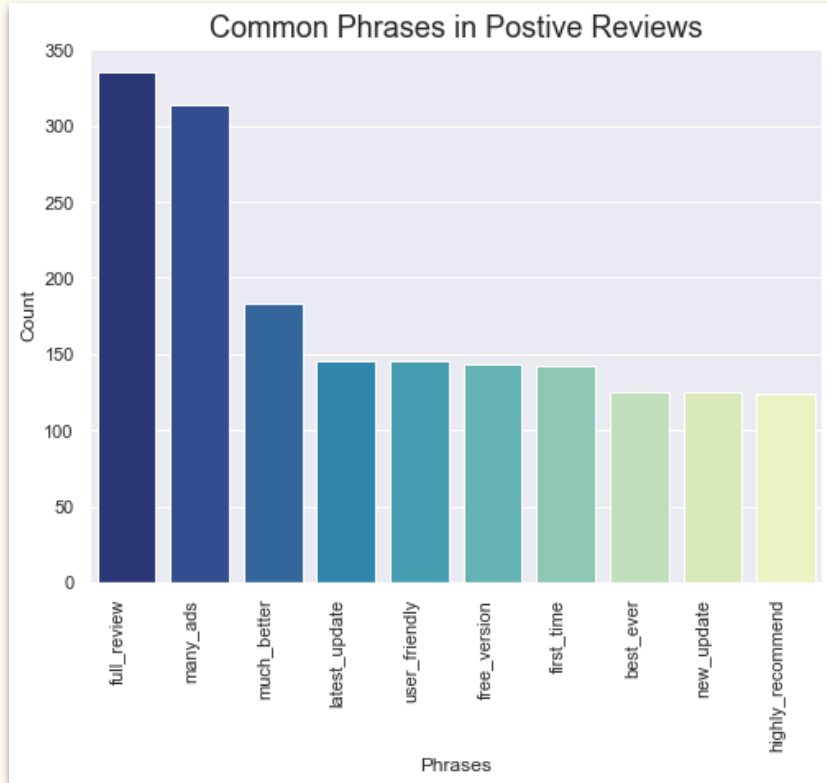
People are harsher towards free apps whereas users are more tolerant when they are paying for it.







COMMON PHRASES - POSITIVE REVIEWS



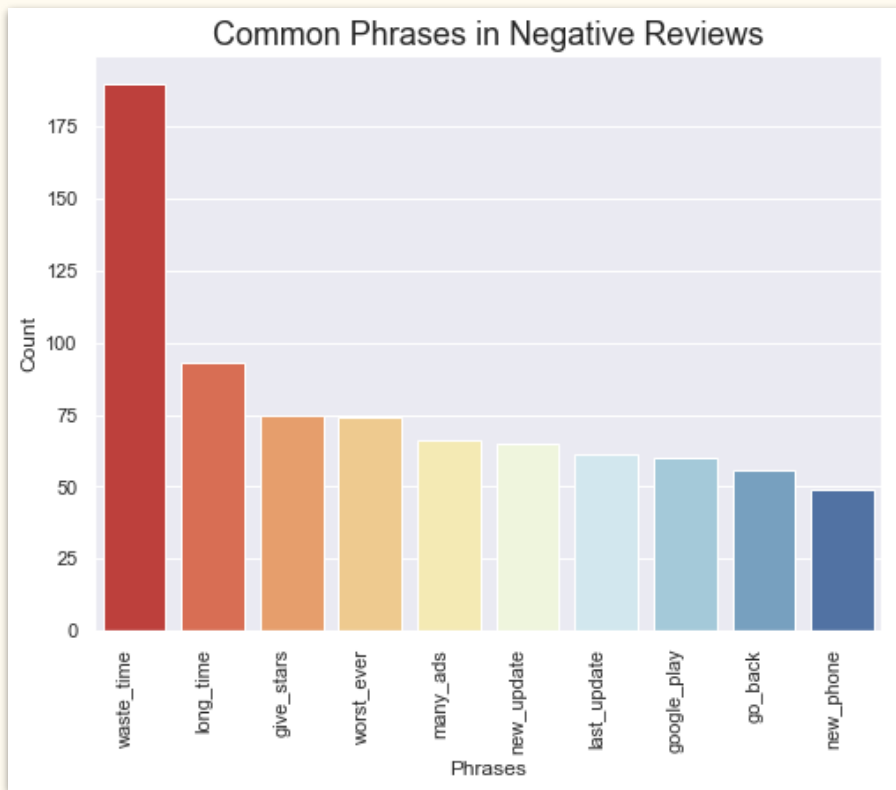
Common phrases in positive reviews:

- User-friendly
- Free version
- Works great
- Highly recommend

Usability is one of the main reasons for positive reviews



COMMON PHRASES - NEGATIVE REVIEWS



Common phrases in negative reviews:

- Waste time
- Many ads
- Spend money
- Takes forever

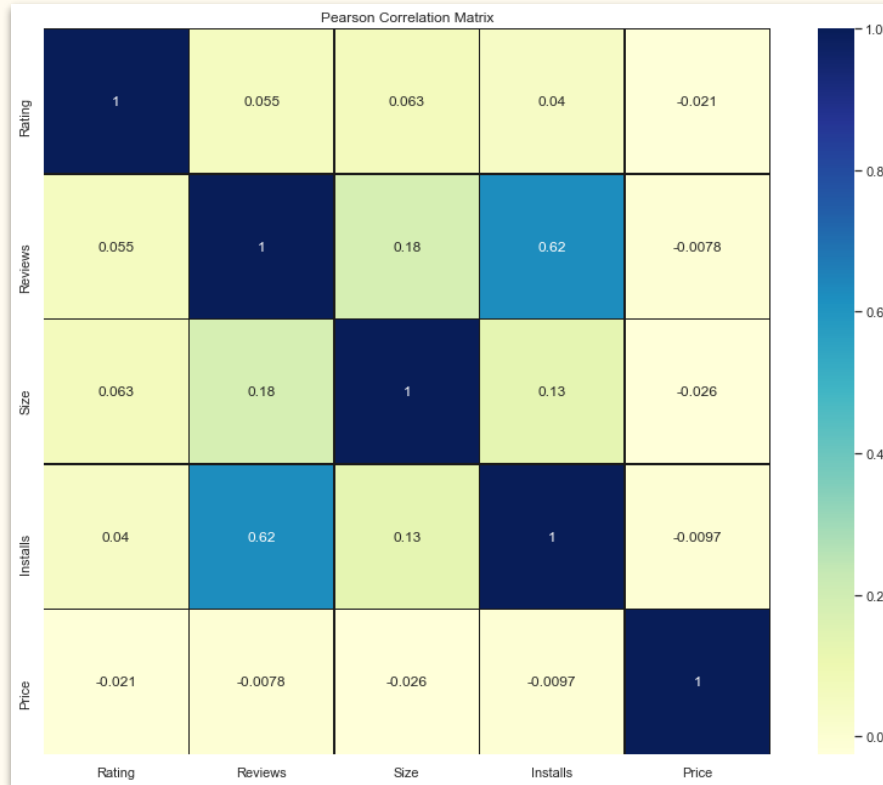
Loading time is one of the main reasons for negative reviews



PREDICTIVE MODELING



HOW TO PREDICT THE POPULARITY OF AN APP

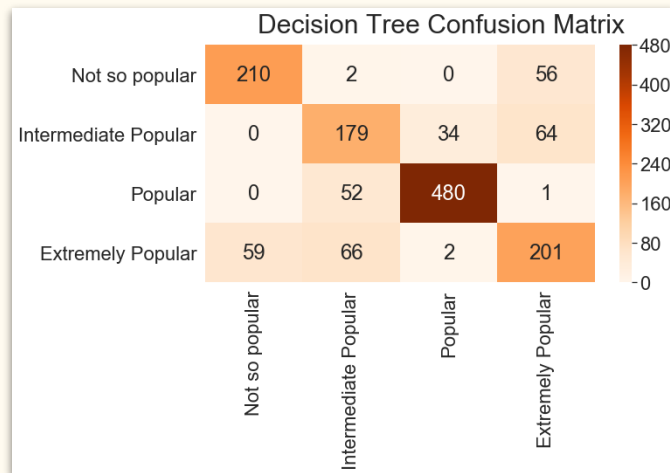
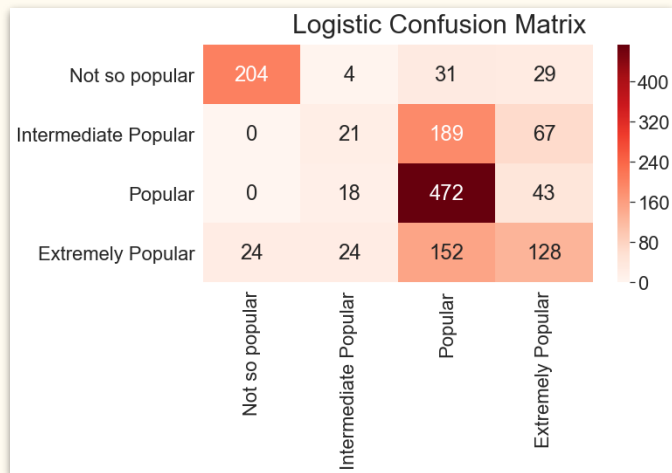


Based on the correlation plot, we identified the following variables that we could use in our classification problem :

1. Category
2. Genre
3. Reviews
4. Content Rating
5. Size
6. Type



LOGISTIC REGRESSION AND DECISION TREES

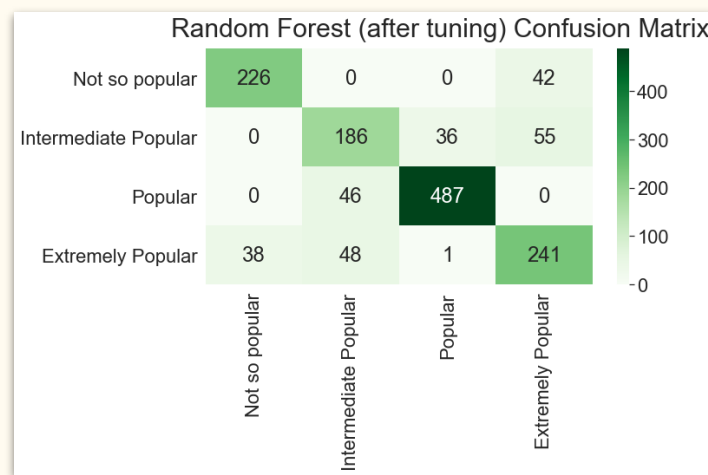
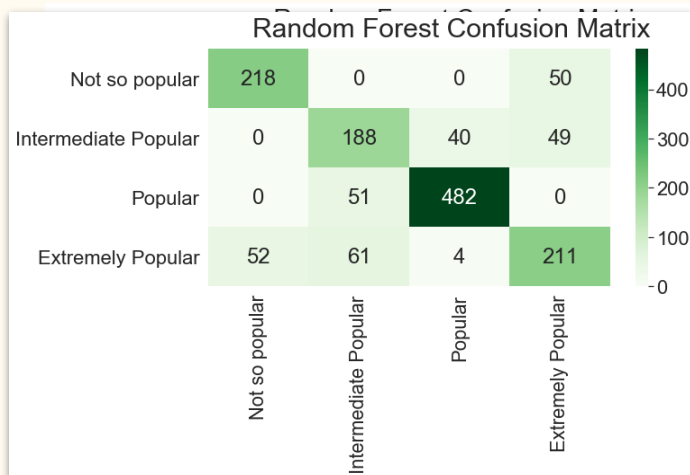


We bucketed installs into 4 bins based on quartile values & used test & hold out sets to perform the following classification algorithms :

1. Logistic Regression ~ 58.67%
2. Decision Trees ~ 76.10%



HYPERTUNING RANDOM FOREST



We used hypertuning & 3 fold cross validation to obtain a optimal classification accuracy of 81.08% on Random Forest Classifier

Parameters used:

1. No of trees
2. Level of depth of the trees
3. Minimum number of samples required to split a node
4. No of variables to consider at each split
5. Min/Max no of samples required at each node



SUMMARY



SIZE

Highly rated apps were optimally sized between 2MB to 40 MB

Paid apps with specific functionality were lighter



PRICE

Free apps outperform paid apps

If an app is paid, the likelihood of it being popular is higher if it's priced under \$10



RATING

Positive relation between installs and rating.

However, highly installed apps are not always highly rated



REVIEWS

Issues like loading time and positive features like usability were revealed by sentiment analysis.

People tend to review harsher for paid apps



QUESTIONS?