

Exploratory Data Analysis: Google Play Store Apps

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Methodology

Data Cleaning

- Removing columns/Handling
- Missing values

Data Visualisation

- Box Plot/KDE/Bar Plots

Descriptive Statistics

- Finding mean/median

SMART Questions and Tests

- Using statistical tests verify the SMART Questions



Dataset Overview



10, 841
Observations



13
Variables



Source
Kaggle

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'data.frame':  10841 obs. of  13 variables:
 $ App      : chr  "Photo Editor & Candy Camera & Grid & ScrapBook" "Coloring book moana" "U Launcher Lite - FREE Live Cool Themes, Hide Apps" "Sketch - Draw & Paint" ...
 $ Category : chr  "ART_AND_DESIGN" "ART_AND_DESIGN" "ART_AND_DESIGN" "ART_AND_DESIGN" ...
 $ Rating   : num  4.1 3.9 4.7 4.5 4.3 4.4 3.8 4.1 4.4 4.7 ...
 $ Reviews  : chr  "159" "967" "87510" "215644" ...
 $ Size     : chr  "19M" "14M" "8.7M" "25M" ...
 $ Installs : chr  "10,000+" "500,000+" "5,000,000+" "50,000,000+" ...
 $ Type     : chr  "Free" "Free" "Free" "Free" ...
 $ Price    : chr  "0" "0" "0" "0" ...
 $ Content.Rating: chr  "Everyone" "Everyone" "Everyone" "Teen" ...
 $ Genres   : chr  "Art & Design" "Art & Design;Pretend Play" "Art & Design" "Art & Design" ...
 $ Last.Updated : chr  "January 7, 2018" "January 15, 2018" "August 1, 2018" "June 8, 2018" ...
 $ Current.Ver : chr  "1.0.0" "2.0.0" "1.2.4" "Varies with device" ...
 $ Android.Ver : chr  "4.0.3 and up" "4.0.3 and up" "4.0.3 and up" "4.2 and up" ...
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Features

App

Application name

Category

Category the app belongs to

Rating

Overall user rating of the app

Reviews

Number of user reviews for the app

Size

Size of the app

Installs

Number of user installs for the app

Type

Paid or Free





Features



Price

Price of the app



Content Rating

Age group that app is targeted at



Genres

Genre of the app within its category



Last Updated

Date when the app was last updated



Current Ver

Current version of the app



Android Ver

Minimum required Android version





Smart Question

What is the impact of content rating, required App version, category, size, last updated and pricing on predicting app success in terms of positive rating, high user reviews, as well as the number of installs, using data from Google Play Store apps from 2010 to 2018?



Data Cleaning

**Removed
Duplicated
Apps**

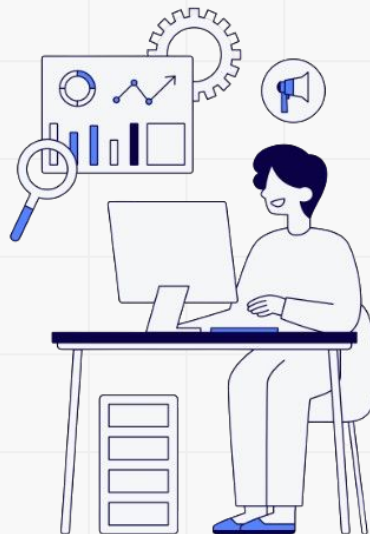
**Replaced
missing value
with mean**

**Dropped Rows with
missing price
values**

**Dropped
Irrelevant
Columns**

**Data Format
Conversion**

All Good!



After dropping duplicated Apps

Initial Dataset



10,841



404



Duplicate Apps



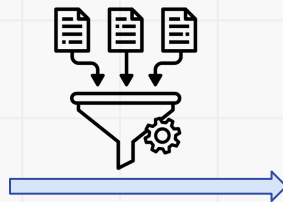
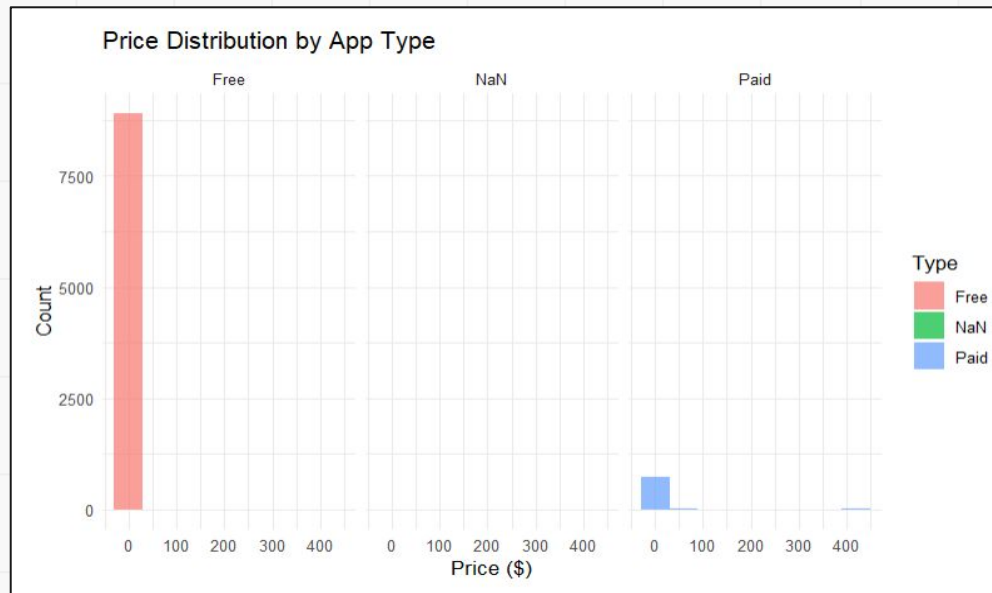
After Dropping



9,659



Dropped Type Column



After dropping

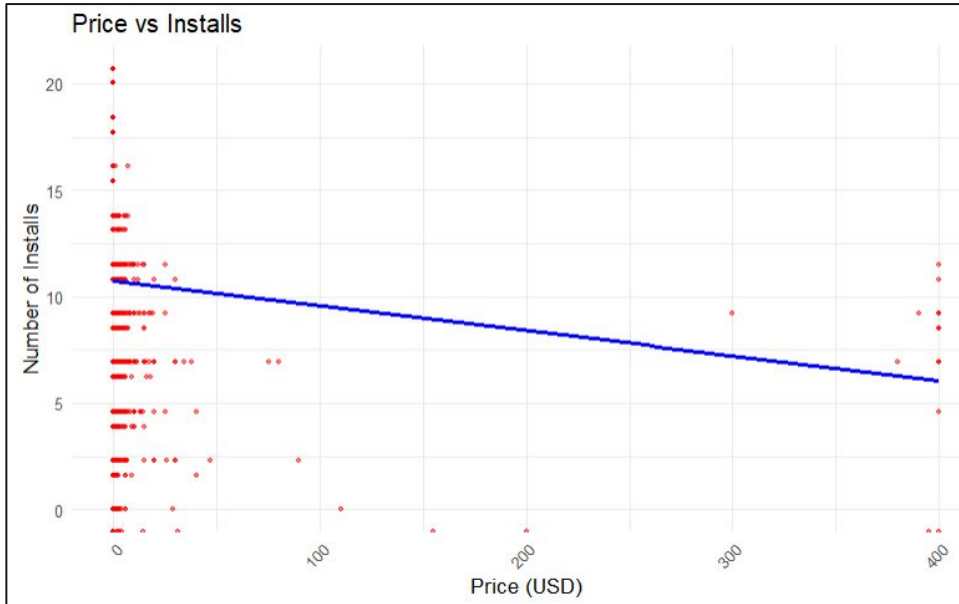
9,659
Observations

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Variables



Smart Q1 : Installs vs price

Does price significantly impact the popularity of an app in terms of installs?



Statistical Test: t-test

T-test Result:

- **Test Statistic (t):** 29.042
- **Degrees of Freedom (df):** 977.19
- **P-value:** $< 2.2e-16$

Price Category	Mean Log(Installs)	App Count
Free	11.002709	8898
Paid	7.284829	746

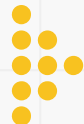
Since the p-value is extremely small, we reject the null hypothesis concluding that the difference in mean log installs between free and paid apps is statistically significant.



Genre, Current Version

 **33**
Categories

 **118**
Genres



Drop Genres, proceed with Category

"1.0 Super Ear Hearing"	"PN.1.0"
"1.0.51.0.3"	"3.4.0.10"
"Initial"	"1.12"
"10.4.1.000_00"	"4.0.9"
"2.5.0 b665"	"0.6.88"
"43.0"	"4.4.3"
"1.9.0.0"	"1.4.15-free"
"0.1.1"	"4.95.4"
"2.6.10"	"2.1.3.2"
"1.8.19179"	"13.0"
"4.81"	"8.00.752746"
"50.2 lite"	"4.1.202"
"7.3.1"	"3.8.1"
"14.0.13"	"7.23.4"
"4.6.2.0"	"1.8.0"
"10.6.3"	



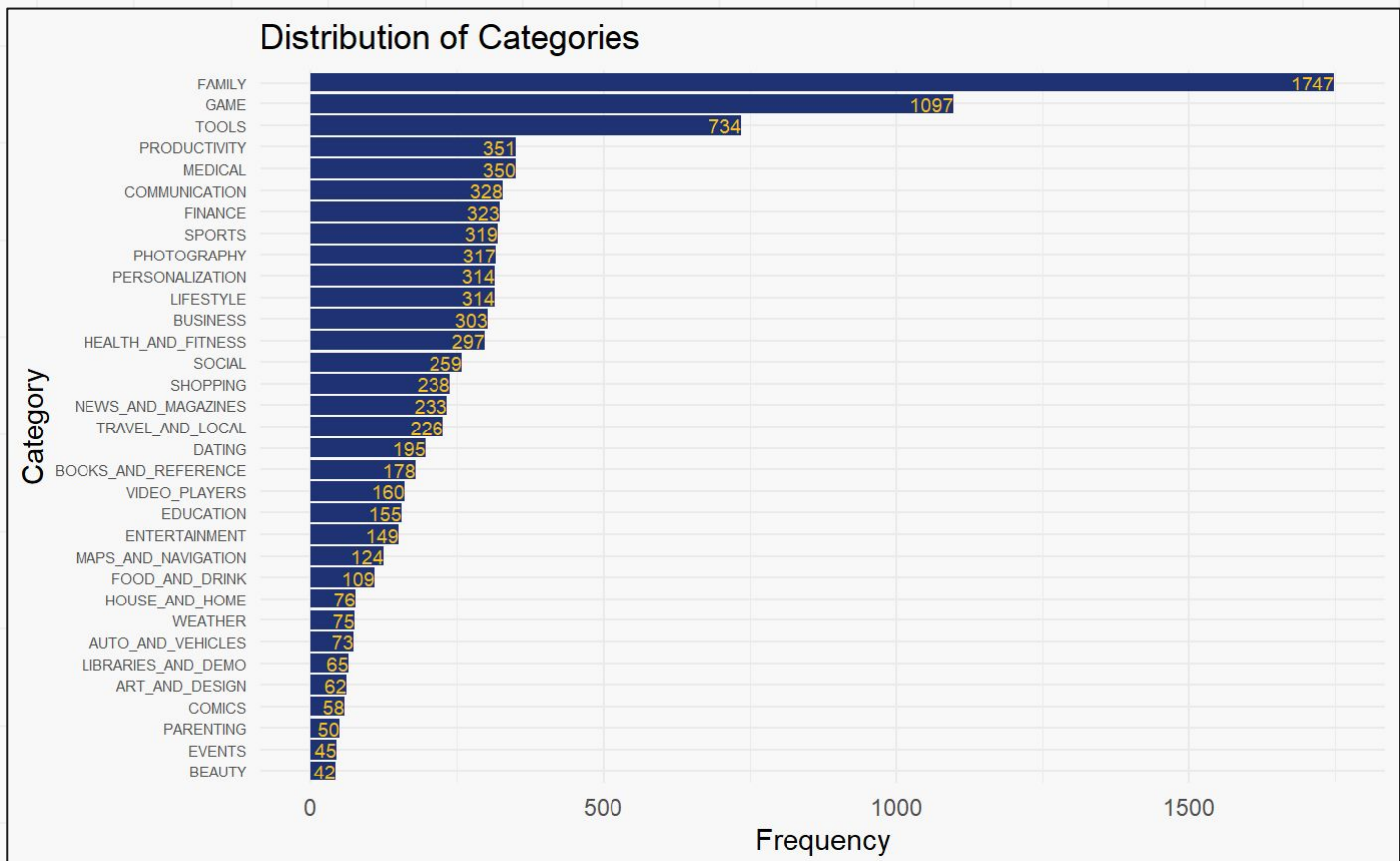
Inconsistent Formatting
Current.Ver



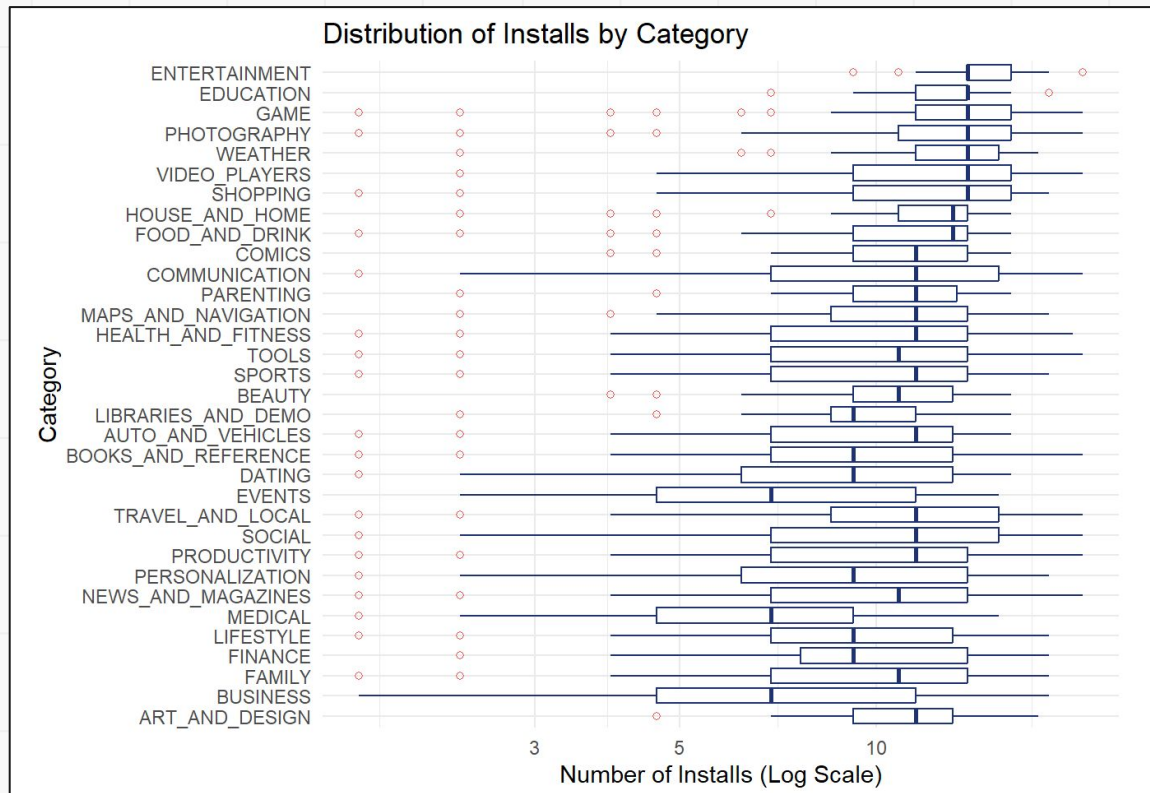
Drop Current.Ver, excluded from the analysis



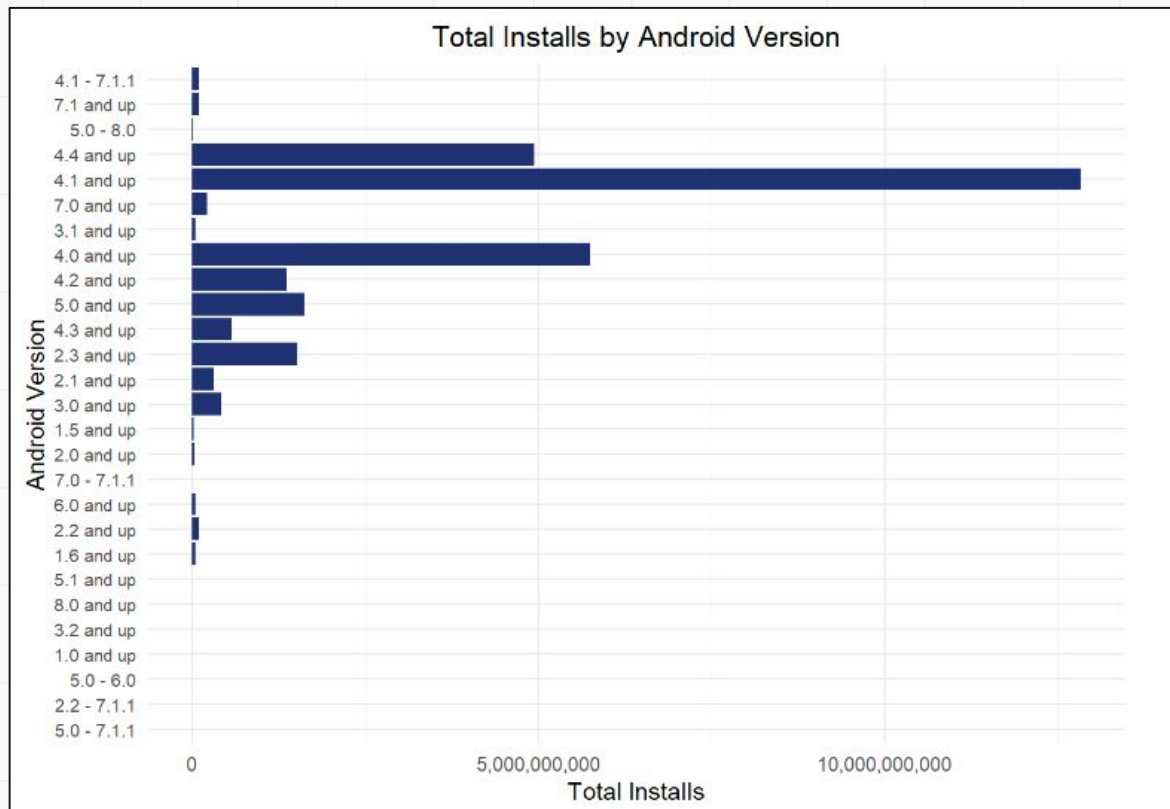
Category



Category vs. Installs



Android Ver vs. Installs



Rating



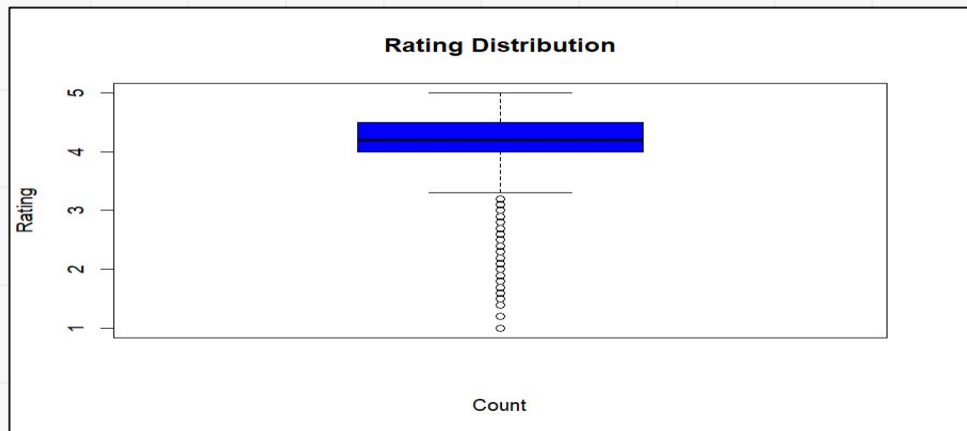
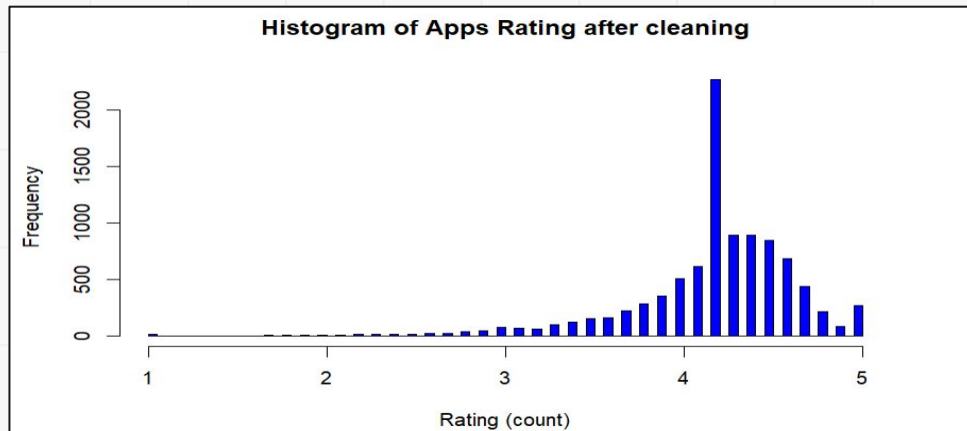
STEP 1: Checking missing values

1463 NA values

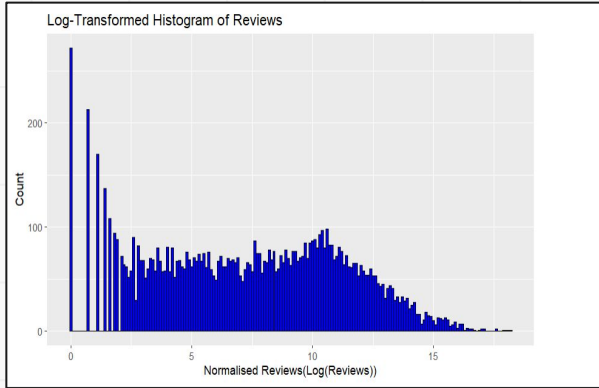
STEP 2: Replaced NA values

Replaced NA values with mean value.

**Majority Rating values ~[3-5]
Outliers ~ [1-3]**



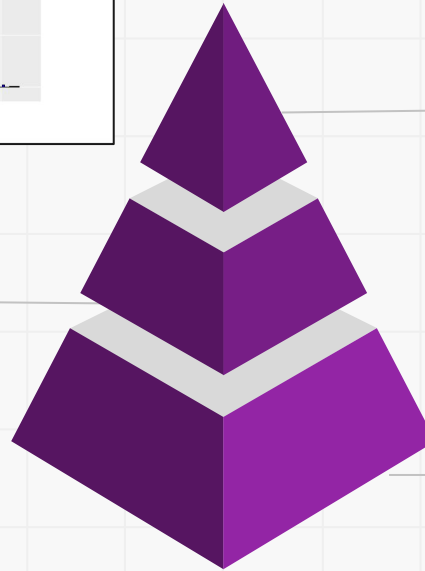
Reviews



Review distribution

Checked the review distribution, used various visualisations and **normalised reviews** for better visualisation.

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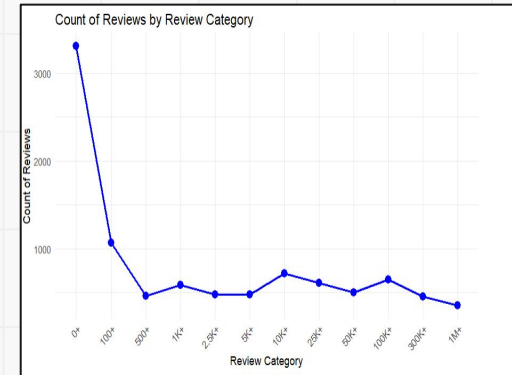
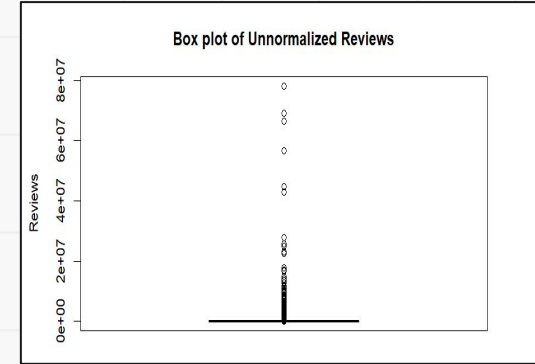


Data Type Check

1 Converted Review variable data type from **CHAR** -> **INT** (numeric value)

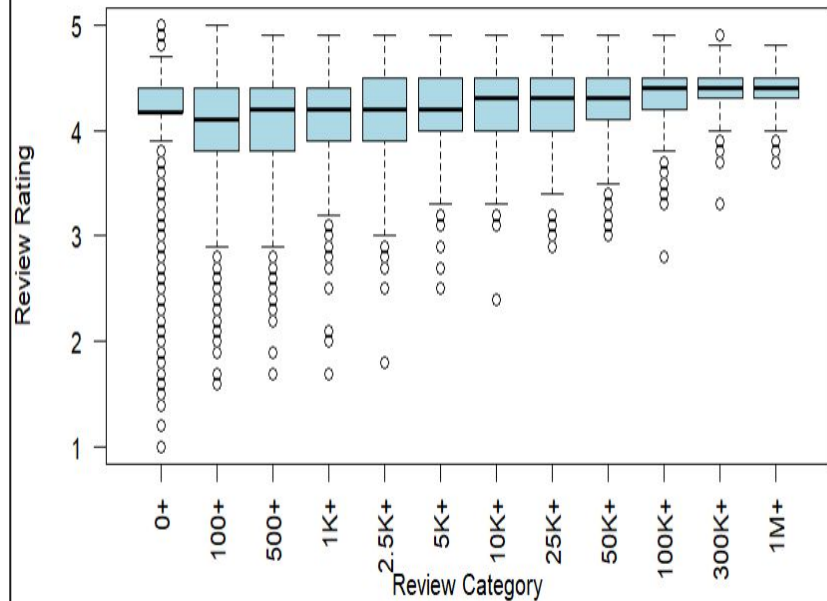
Review_category variable

3 Divided Reviews into equal number of reviews sections (**Binning**) for easy representation and further analysis into **review_category**.

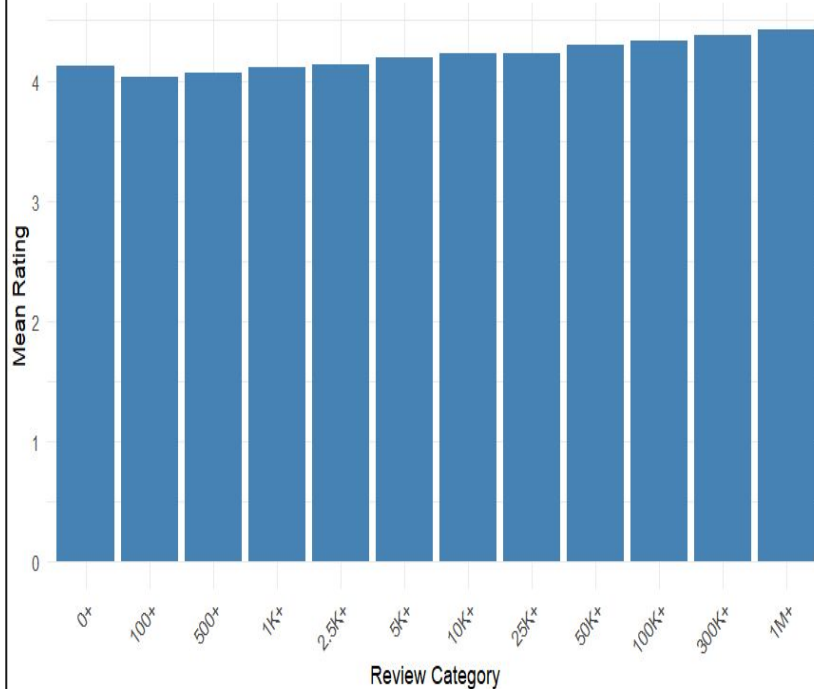


Rating vs Reviews

Boxplot of Review Counts by Review Category



Mean Rating by Review Category



Statistical Test: ANOVA-test

ANOVA Result:

- **F value (f):** 41.3
- **Degrees of Freedom (df):** 11
- **P-value:** $< 2e-16$

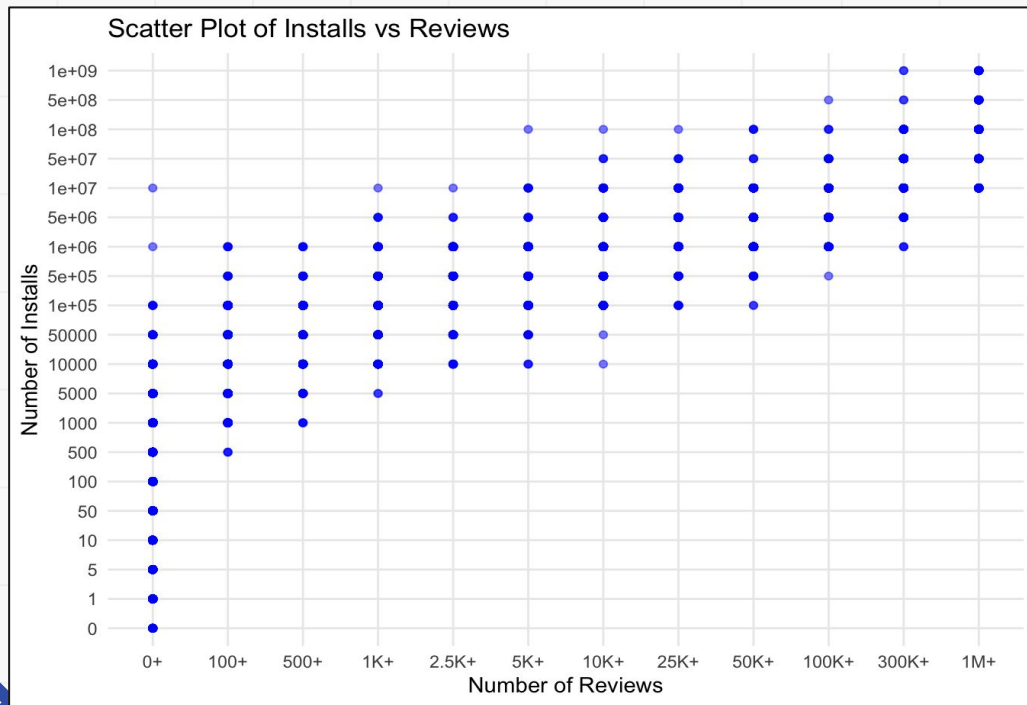
Review_Category	Mean_Rating
0+	4.13
100+	4.03
500+	4.06
1K+	4.11
2.5K+	4.13
5K+	4.19
10K+	4.22
25K+	4.23
50K+	4.29
100K+	4.33
300K+	4.38
1M+	4.43

Since the p-value is extremely small, we reject the null hypothesis concluding that the difference in mean rating for different categories not the same.



Smart Q2: Installs vs Reviews

Does Reviews and Installs have significantly impact the popularity of an app in terms of installs?



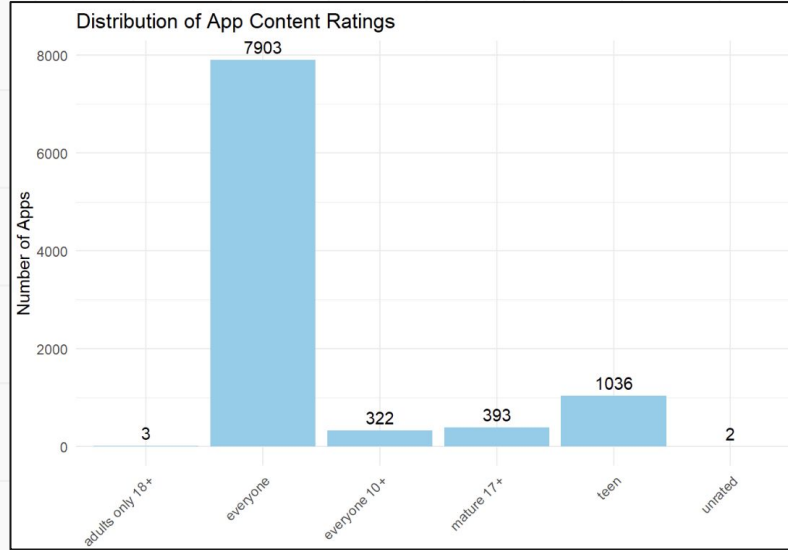
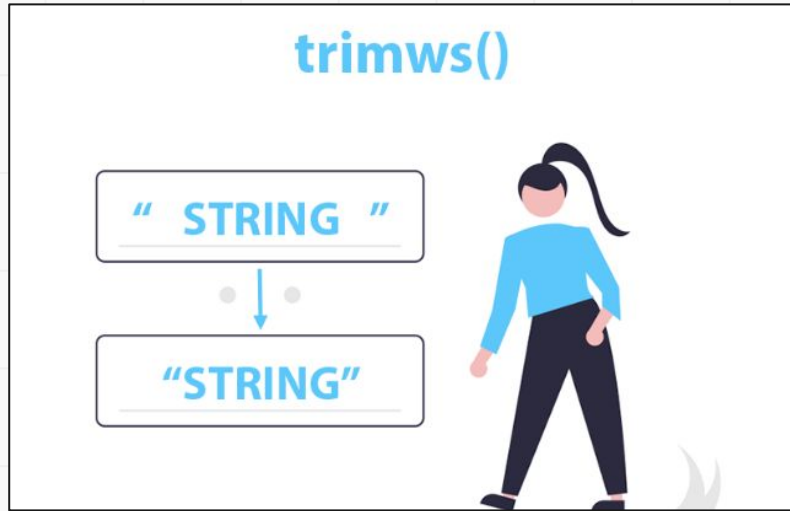
	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F Value	Pr(>F)
Review_C category	11	6.94e+18	6.31e+17	290	<2e-16
Residuals	9647	2.10e+19	2.17e+15		

Since the p-value is extremely small, we reject the null hypothesis concluding that the difference in mean Installs for different Review categories not the same.

Content Rating

Data Cleaning:

- The ``trimws()`` function in R : To Remove Leading and Trailing spaces.
- Converted to lowerCase

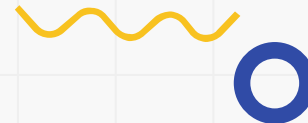
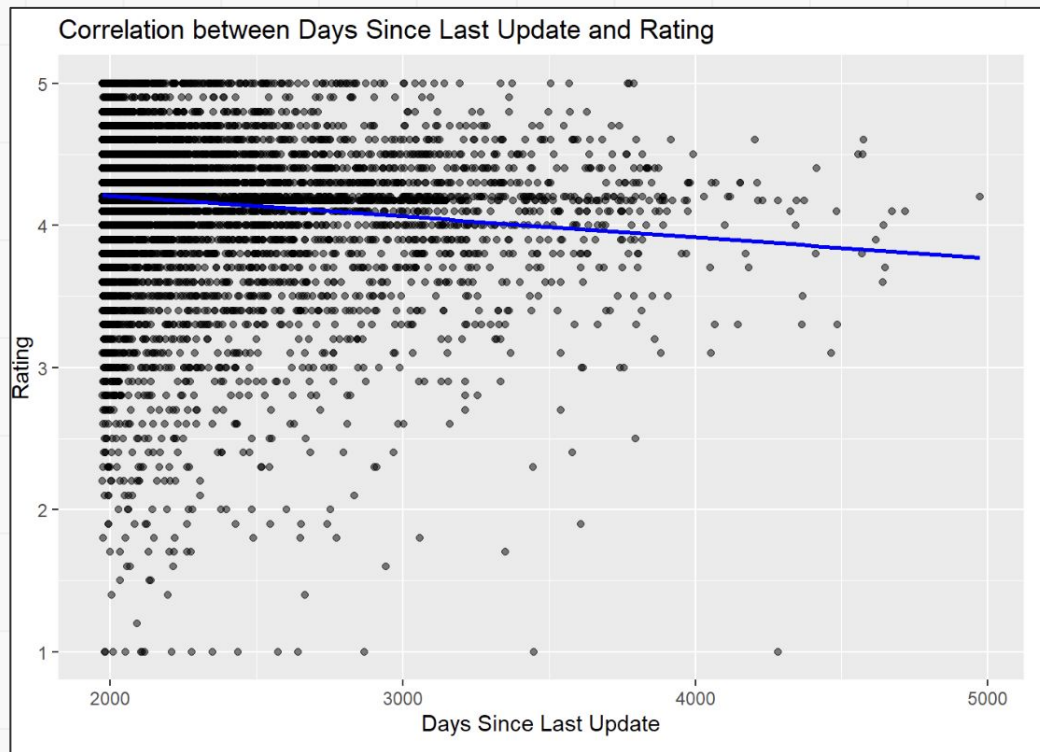


Unique Values:

- Everyone: 7903
- Teen: 1036
- Mature 17+: 393
- Everyone 10+ : 322
- Adults only 18+: 3
- Unrated: 2

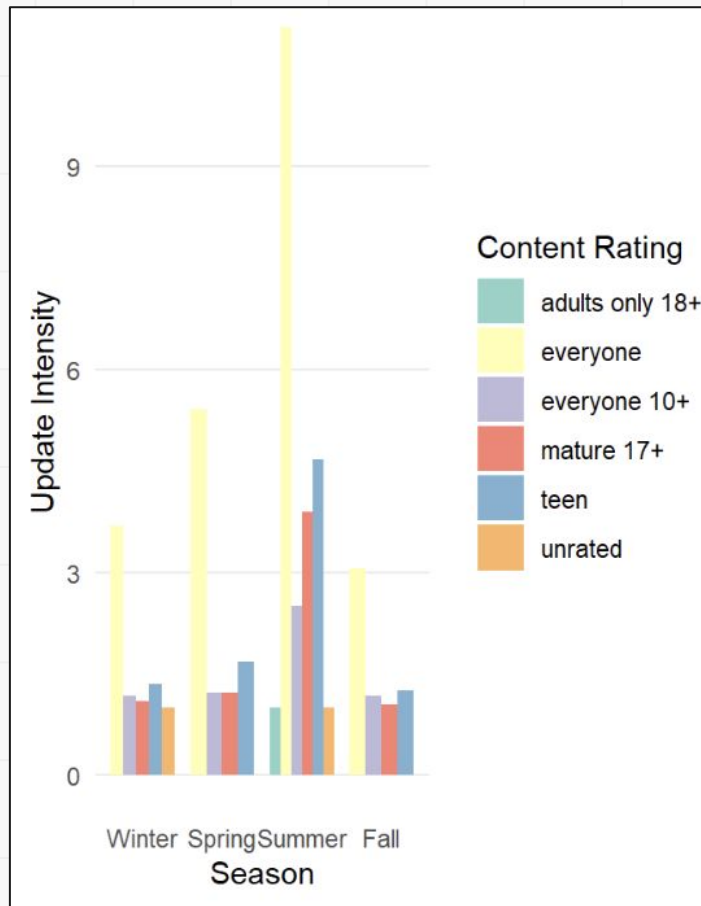
Smart Q3 : Rating vs Last update

Does Update have significant impact on Rating?



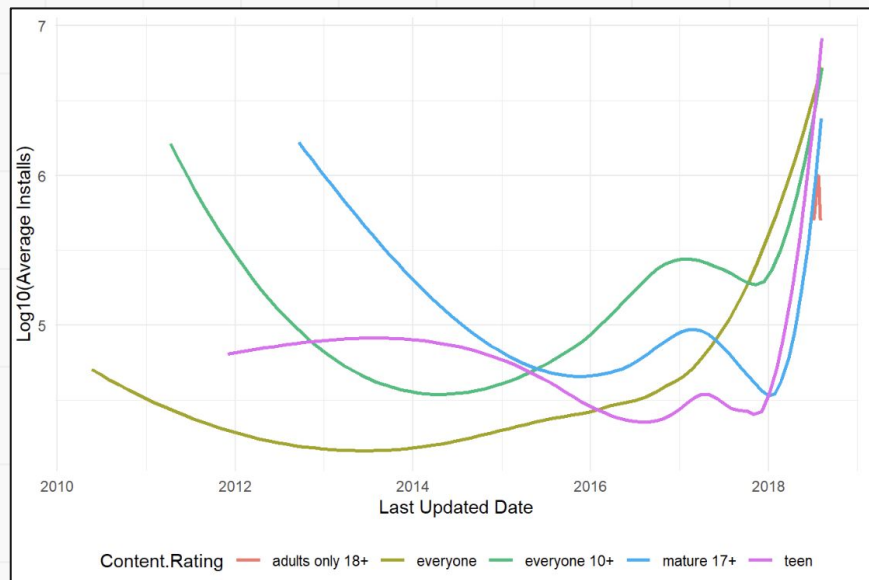
Update Intensity by Content Rating

- The "Everyone" category peaks in update intensity during summer, while "Teen" and "Everyone 10+" show consistent updates year-round, slightly increasing in summer. "Adults only 18+" and "Unrated" apps have the lowest and most infrequent updates all year.

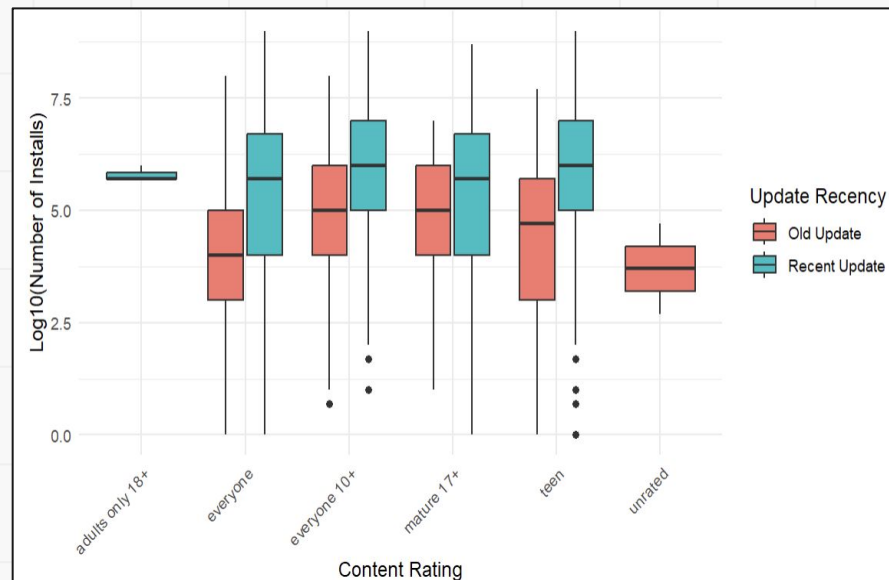


Smart Q4 : Installs vs Content Rating vs Last Updated

Does Content Rating and Last Updated significantly impact the popularity of an app in terms of installs?



trend of average app installs over time for different content ratings



distribution of app installs across different content ratings, segmented by update recency (old vs. recent)

Statistical Test: ANOVA - test (Last Updated)

Days Since Last Update by Reviews:

- F-value: 41.95
- p-value: $9.82e-11$

Days Since Last Update by Installs:

- F-value: 58.92
- p-value: $1.8e-14$

Days Since Last Update by Ratings:

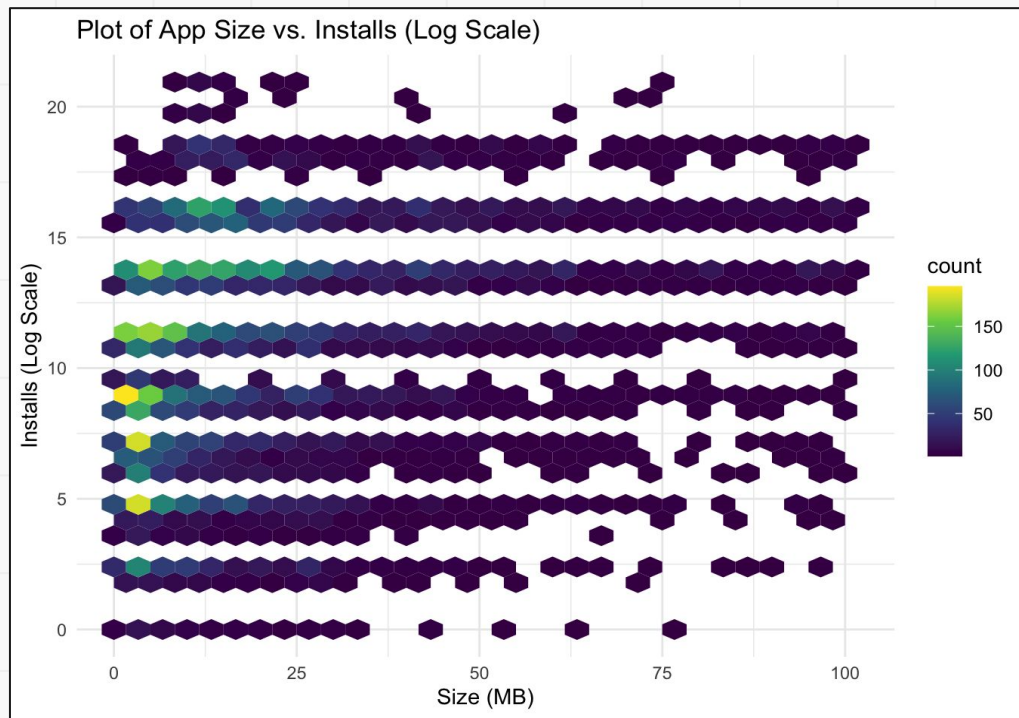
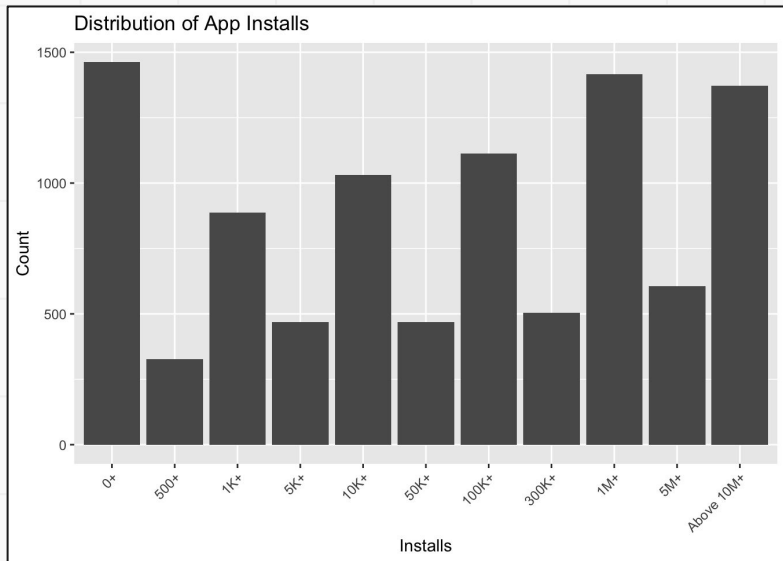
- F-value: 143.8
- p-value: $<2e-16$

All three factors—Reviews, Installs, and Ratings- all have very small p - value so they are strongly correlated to Last Updated Factor



Smart Q5: Size vs Installs

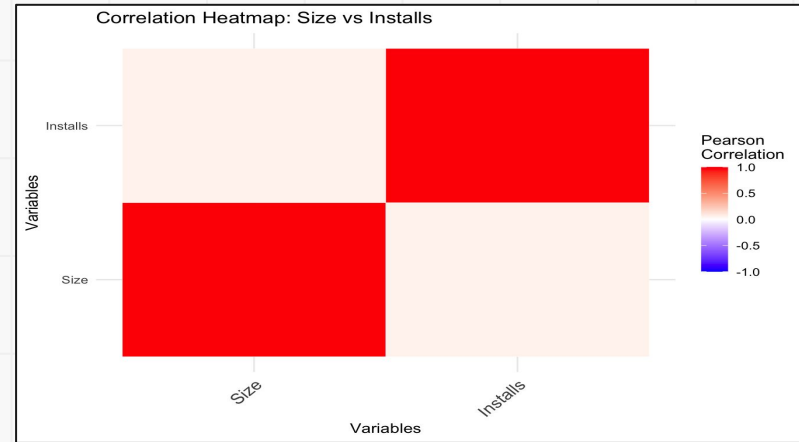
Does app size have significant impact on the number of Installs ?



Statistical Test: correlation coefficient and p-value Install VS Size

T-test Result:

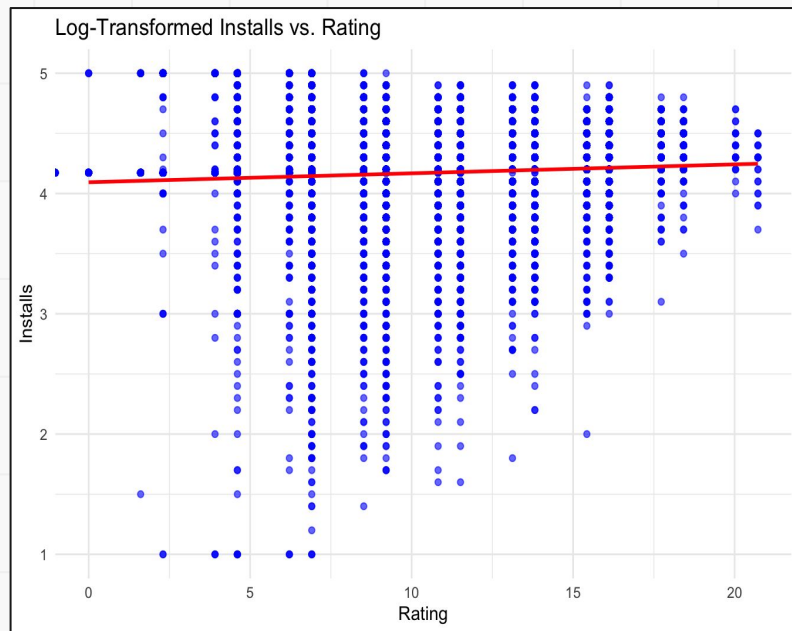
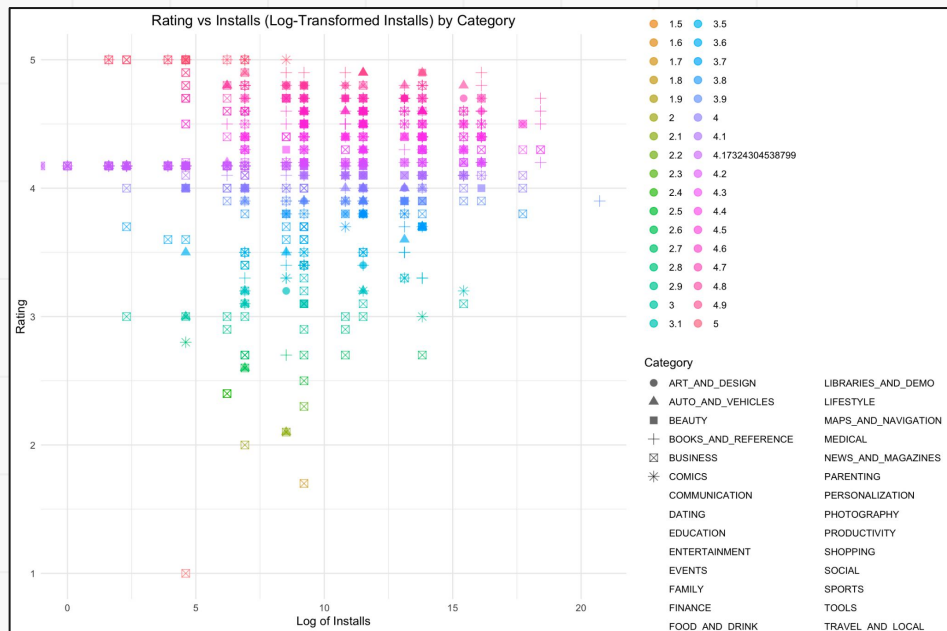
- **Test Statistic (t):** 4.0069
- **Degrees of Freedom (df):** 9657
- **P-value:** 6.198e-05
- **Correlation Coefficient:** 0.0407
- **95% Confidence Interval:** 0.0208 to 0.0606.



Since the p-value is extremely small, we reject the null hypothesis concluding that the difference in mean log installs for different sizes .



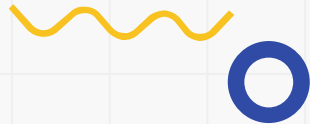
How do app installs vary by category and rating trends?

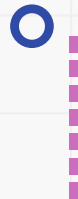


Conclusion

- **Review & Ratings VS Installs:** High install counts are associated with a positive correlation with ratings and reviews. Hence, could conclude that:
High Installs -> Positive Rating -> High Reviews
HIGH POPULARITY -> HIGH INSTALLS
- **High Installs is seen in**
 - Category :** Top 3 categories (Entertainment, Education and Game)
 - Content Rating :** Everyone, Everyone(10+) have highest number of installs
 - Last Updated(+ve Correlation) :** Latest the update, higher the Installs
 - Price(-ve Installs) :** Lesser the price, higher the installs
 - Size :** This is could not be seen as higher size better, as the higher size might also be correlated to categorical apps such as Gaming etc

Share your app idea with us, and we'll estimate its potential installs, reviews and rating.





Thank You!

