

Introduction

YouTube is the most popular and most used video platform in the world today. YouTube has [a list of trending videos](https://www.youtube.com/feed/trending) (<https://www.youtube.com/feed/trending>) that is updated constantly. I will use **Python** with some packages like **Pandas**, **NLTK**, and **Matplotlib** to analyze a dataset includes several countries. I will analyze this data to get insights into YouTube trending videos, to see what is common between these videos. These insights might also be used by people who want to increase popularity of their videos on YouTube.

The dataset that we will use is downloaded from Kaggle [here](https://www.kaggle.com/datasnaek/youtube-new) (<https://www.kaggle.com/datasnaek/youtube-new>).

Goals of the analysis

We want to answer questions like:

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Importing libraries

```
In [2]: import pandas as pd
pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None) #Dataframe display setting
# import pandas_profiling
import numpy as np
import matplotlib as mpl
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import plotnine as p9

import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
import json
import os

%matplotlib inline
```

Read in the dataset

```
In [3]: files_path = os.getcwd() + '\\youtube'
files = os.listdir(files_path)
csvs = [csv for csv in files if csv.endswith('csv')]
jsons = [json for json in files if json.endswith('json')]
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In [4]: dfs = []
for csv in csvs:
    df = pd.read_csv(files_path + '\\ ' + csv)
    df['nation'] = csv[0:2]
    dfs.append(df)
data = pd.concat(dfs) #concatenate all csv files
```

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In [5]: cat_dict = {}
with open(files_path + '\\US_category_id.json', 'r') as f:
    j = json.load(f)
    for item in j['items']:
        cat_dict[np.int(item['id'])] = item['snippet']['title']

data['category'] = data.category_id.map(cat_dict).rename(columns={'category_id': 'category'})
data.head()
```

Out[5]:

	video_id	trending_date	title	channel_title	category_id	publish_time	
0	n1WpP7iowLc	17.14.11	Eminem - Walk On Water (Audio) ft. Beyoncé	EminemVEVO	10	2017-11-10T17:00:03.000Z	Eminem V
1	0dBkQ4Mz1M	17.14.11	PLUSH - Bad Unboxing Fan Mail	iDubbbzTV	23	2017-11-13T17:00:00.000Z	plush "
2	5qpjK5DgCt4	17.14.11	Racist Superman Rudy Mancuso, King Bach & Le...	Rudy Mancuso	23	2017-11-12T19:05:24.000Z	racist su
3	d380meD0W0M	17.14.11	I Dare You: GOING BALD!?	nigahiga	24	2017-11-12T18:01:41.000Z	ryan
4	2Vv-BfVoq4g	17.14.11	Ed Sheeran - Perfect (Official Music Video)	Ed Sheeran	10	2017-11-09T11:04:14.000Z	edshee

Data cleaning

Goals:

- Convert features into right data types
- Deal with NA value
- Create possibly useful new features

In [6]: data.info()

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 184755 entries, 0 to 40948
Data columns (total 18 columns):
video_id          184755 non-null object
trending_date     184755 non-null object
title            184755 non-null object
channel_title     184755 non-null object
category_id       184755 non-null int64
publish_time      184755 non-null object
tags             184755 non-null object
views            184755 non-null int64
likes            184755 non-null int64
dislikes         184755 non-null int64
comment_count     184755 non-null int64
thumbnail_link    184755 non-null object
comments_disabled 184755 non-null bool
ratings_disabled  184755 non-null bool
video_error_or_removed 184755 non-null bool
description       178356 non-null object
nation           184755 non-null object
category         184755 non-null object
dtypes: bool(3), int64(5), object(10)
memory usage: 23.1+ MB
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In [7]: data['trending_date'] = pd.to_datetime(data.trending_date, format='%y.%d.%m')
data['publish_time'] = pd.to_datetime(data.publish_time, format='%Y-%m-%dT%H:%M:%S.%fZ')

data.insert(7, 'publish_date', data.publish_time.dt.date)
data['publish_date'] = pd.to_datetime(data.publish_date)
data.insert(7, 'publish_day', data.publish_time.dt.dayofweek)
data.insert(7, 'publish_hour', data.publish_time.dt.hour)

data.description = data.fillna('')
```

In [8]:

data.head(3)

Out[8]:

	video_id	trending_date	title	channel_title	category_id	publish_time	
0	n1WpP7iowLc	2017-11-14	Eminem - Walk On Water (Audio) ft. Beyoncé	EminemVEVO	10	2017-11-10 17:00:03	Eminem "Walk" '
1	0dBlkQ4Mz1M	2017-11-14	PLUSH - Bad Unboxing Fan Mail	iDubbbzTV	23	2017-11-13 17:00:00	plush "bad ui
2	5qpjK5DgCt4	2017-11-14	Racist Superman Rudy Mancuso, King Bach & Le...	Rudy Mancuso	23	2017-11-12 19:05:24	racist superma

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Dataset collection distribution

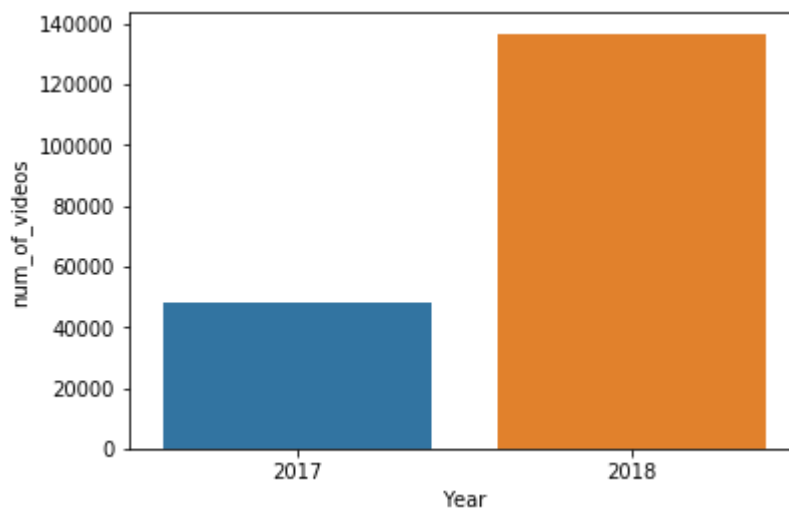
```
In [9]: ydata = data.trending_date.dt.year.value_counts().to_frame().reset_index() \
        .rename(columns={'index': 'year', 'trending_date': 'num_of_videos'})

fig, ax = plt.subplots()
x = ydata.year
y = ydata.num_of_videos
fig = sns.barplot(x=x, y=y, data=ydata)
fig = ax.set(xlabel="Year", ylabel="num_of_videos")

data.trending_date.dt.year.value_counts(normalize = True).to_frame().rename(columns = {'t
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Out[9]:

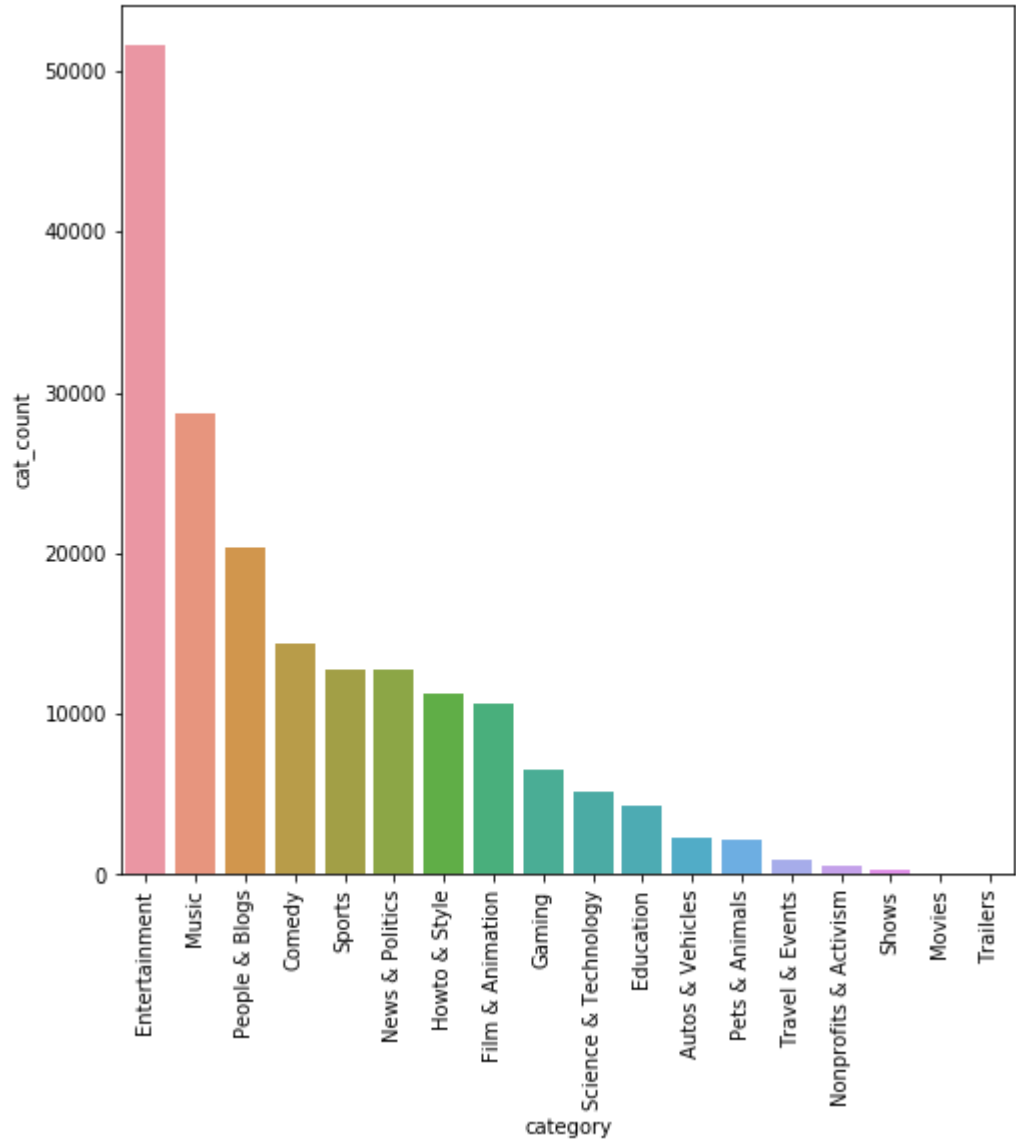
	%_of_videos
2018	0.740316
2017	0.259684



```
In [10]: cat_data = data.groupby('category').size().sort_values(ascending = False).reset_index(name='count')
x = cat_data.category
y = cat_data.count
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (8,8))
sns.barplot(x, y, data = cat_data)
plt.xticks(rotation='vertical')
data.category.value_counts(normalize = True).to_frame().rename(columns={'category': '%_of_videos'})
```

Out[10]:

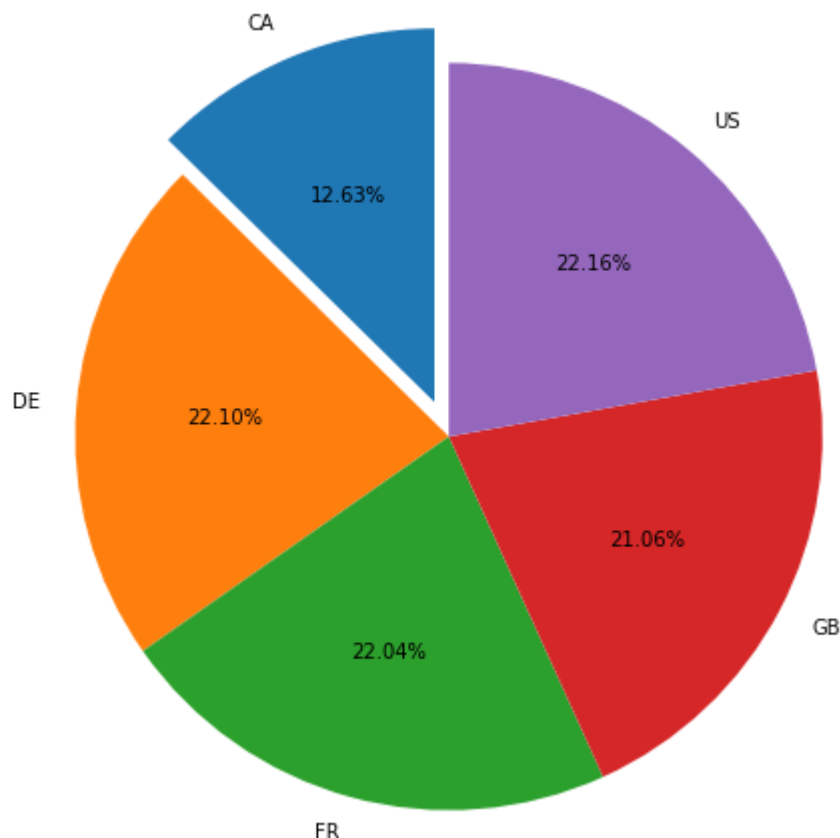
	%_of_videos
Entertainment	0.279164
Music	0.155168
People & Blogs	0.110032
Comedy	0.077887
Sports	0.069216
News & Politics	0.068897
Howto & Style	0.061021
Film & Animation	0.057709
Gaming	0.035068
Science & Technology	0.027972
Education	0.023474
Autos & Vehicles	0.012324
Pets & Animals	0.011680
Travel & Events	0.005310
Nonprofits & Activism	0.003085
Shows	0.001905
Movies	0.000070
Trailers	0.000016



```
In [11]: labels = data.groupby(['nation']).count().index
        sizes = data.groupby(['nation']).count()['title']
        explode = (0.1, 0, 0, 0, 0) # only "explode" the 2nd slice (i.e. 'Hogs')

        fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (8,8))
        ax.pie(sizes, labels=labels, autopct='%1.2f%%',
               shadow=False, explode=explode, startangle=90)
        ax.axis('equal') # Equal aspect ratio ensures that pie is drawn as a circle.
        sizes
```

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Out[11]: nation
CA      23326
DE      40840
FR      40724
GB      38916
US      40949
Name: title, dtype: int64
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In [12]: data.shape
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Out[12]: (184755, 21)
```

- Out of 184755 videos, **74%** of them is collected from 2018 and **26%** of them is collected from 2017;
- **27.9%** of the dataset is related Entertainment, **15.5%** of the dataset is related to Music, and **11%** of the dataset is related to People & Blogs
- Also, only **12.63%** of the videos is from Canada

Analysis

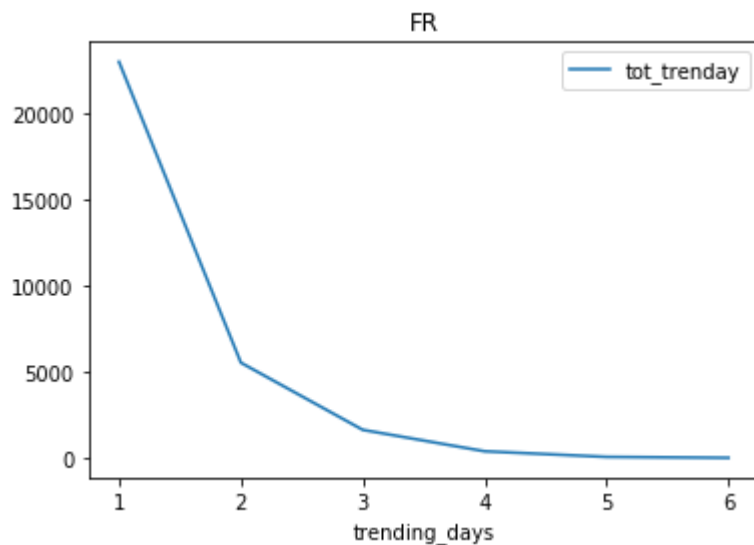
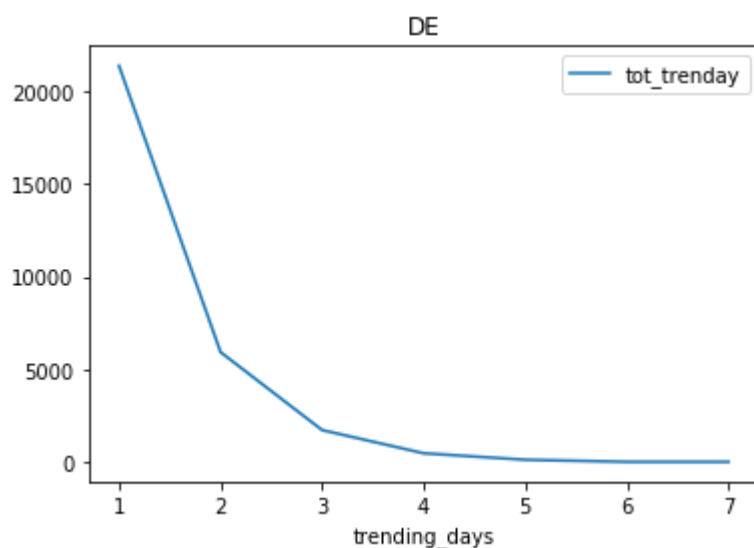
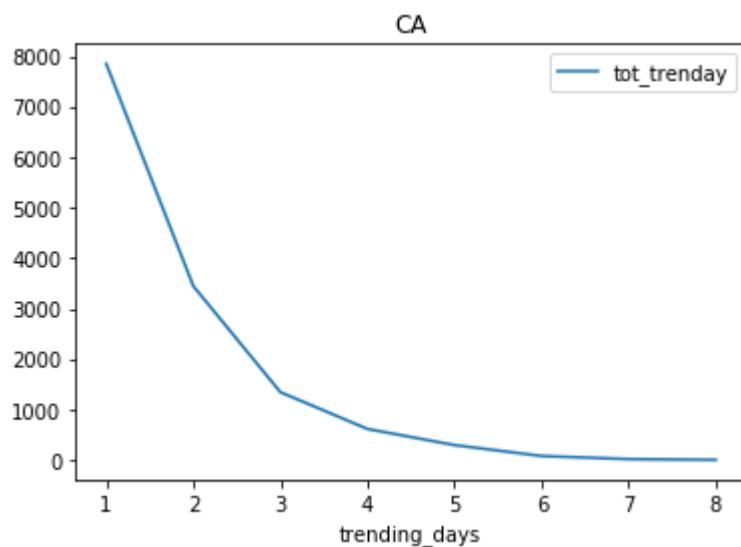
How long usually a video can trend in different countries?

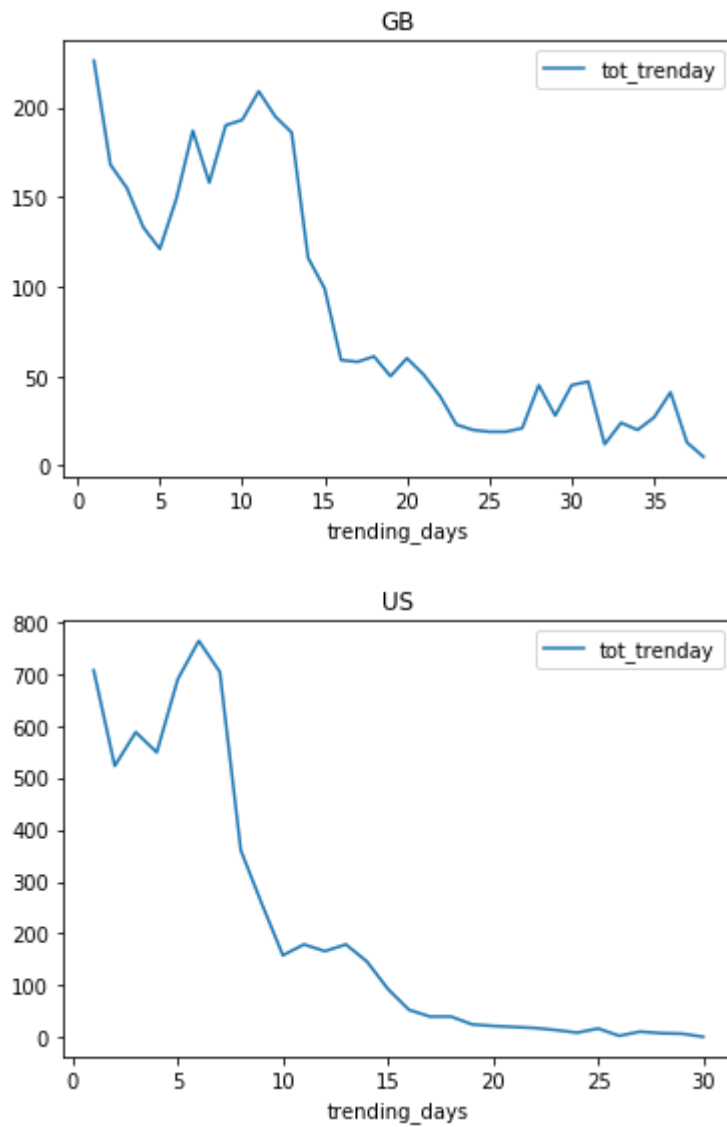
From here we can see that United Kingdom's list has the longest trended Youtube videos (Top 5 in the list is from GB). Also, the US and UK have longer trending days while other countries' videos can only be trended for less than 10 days

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In [13]: fre = data.groupby(['video_id', 'nation']).size().reset_index(name = 'trending_days').sort_
fre.head(5), fre.tail(5)
```

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Out[13]: (
      video_id nation  trending_days
76579  u_C4onVrr8U    GB             38
5219   2z3EUY1aXdY    GB             38
32284  NooW_RbfdWI    GB             38
25651  Il-an3K9pJg    GB             38
16552  BhIEI00vaBE    GB             38,
      video_id nation  trending_days
34055  PBjjzcbLCLo    DE              1
34056  PBsbuFyXSJE    FR              1
34059  PC1rmoEwIwQ    CA              1
34060  PC6M5bhy2jE    DE              1
83479  zzz0_5fMnI8    FR             1)
```

```
In [14]: nfre = fre.groupby(['nation', 'trending_days']).size().reset_index(name = 'tot_trenday')
nation_ls = nfre.nation.unique().tolist()
for n in nation_ls:
    nfre[nfre['nation'] == n][['trending_days', 'tot_trenday']].set_index('trending_days')
```





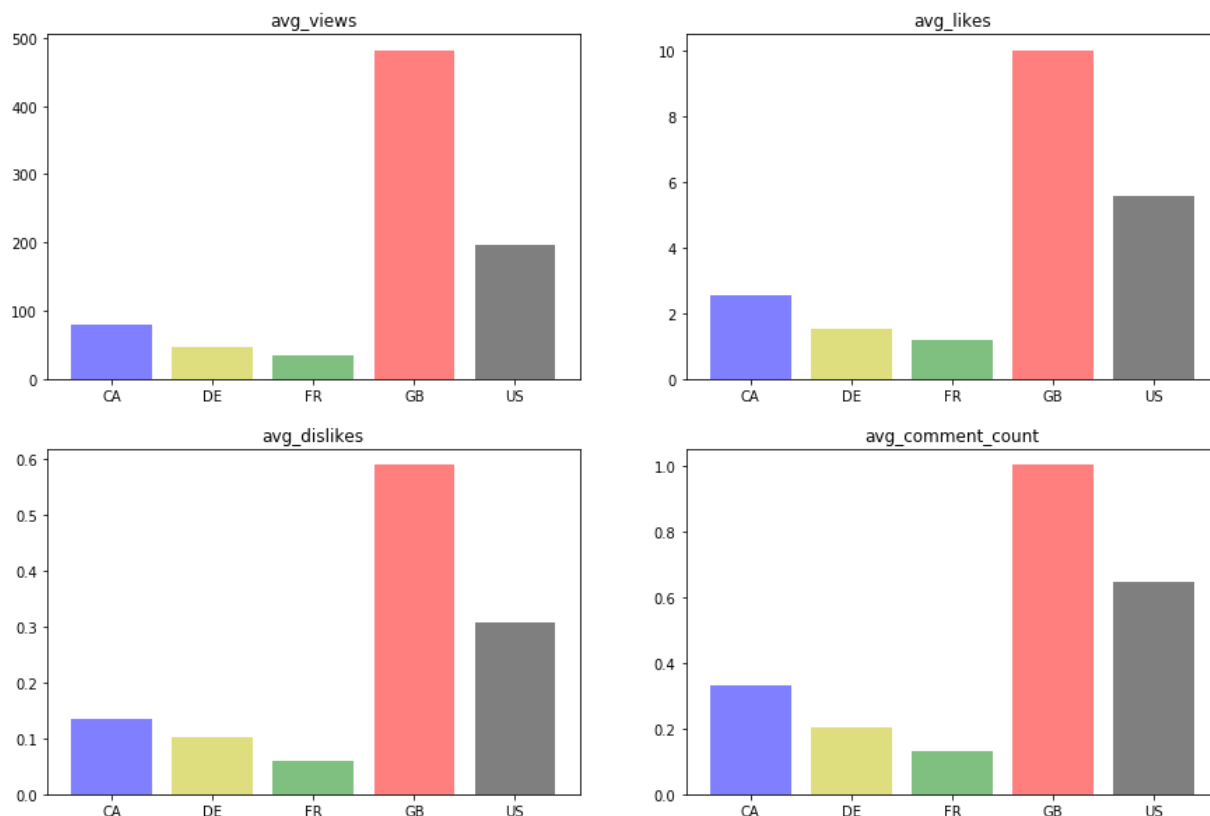
How many views, likes, dislikes, and comments on average in different countries

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In [15]: my_df = data.reset_index().sort_values('trending_date').drop_duplicates(['video_id', 'nation'])

stats = my_df.groupby('nation')[['views', 'likes', 'dislikes', 'comment_count']].mean().reset_index()
stat_ls = np.array(['views', 'likes'], ['dislikes', 'comment_count'])

fig, [[ax1, ax2], [ax3, ax4]] = plt.subplots(ncols=2, nrows=2, figsize=(15, 10))

for i, axs in enumerate([[ax1, ax2], [ax3, ax4]]):
    for j, ax in enumerate(axs):
        ax.bar(x = stats.nation.tolist(), height = stats[stat_ls[i, j]]/10000,
               color=['b', 'y', 'g', 'r', 'k'], alpha = 0.5)
        ax.set_title('avg_' + stat_ls[i, j])
```



Variable Correlation

- Above plots indicate that videos with longer trending days have more views, likes, dislikes, and comments;
- However, Adj. R-squared (0.116) and t-scores of each variables show that views, likes, dislikes, and comments are not statistically significant in predicting trending days
- Likes is highly correlated with views and comments while dislikes is highly correlated with comments

```
In [16]: import statsmodels.api as sm
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In [17]: full_stat = pd.merge(my_df, fre).sort_values('trending_days', ascending = False)
X = full_stat[['views', 'likes', 'dislikes', 'comment_count']]
y = full_stat.trending_days
X = sm.add_constant(X) #add an intercept for the model
result = sm.OLS(y, X).fit()
print(result.summary())
```

OLS Regression Results

Dep. Variable:	trending_days	R-squared:	0.116
Model:	OLS	Adj. R-squared:	0.116
Method:	Least Squares	F-statistic:	2742.
Date:	Sat, 20 Jul 2019	Prob (F-statistic):	0.00
Time:	07:54:38	Log-Likelihood:	-2.1244e+05
No. Observations:	83480	AIC:	4.249e+05
Df Residuals:	83475	BIC:	4.249e+05
Df Model:	4		
Covariance Type:	nonrobust		
=====			
	coef	std err	t
			P> t
			[0.025
			0.975]
const	2.0151	0.011	185.135
views	1.887e-07	3.87e-09	48.778
likes	3.811e-06	2.34e-07	16.273
dislikes	-5.094e-06	9.8e-07	-5.198
comment_count	-9.523e-06	1.36e-06	-7.007
			0.000
			-1.22e-05
			-6.86e-06
=====			
Omnibus:	81199.981	Durbin-Watson:	0.212
Prob(Omnibus):	0.000	Jarque-Bera (JB):	4853707.624
Skew:	4.740	Prob(JB):	0.00
Kurtosis:	39.132	Cond. No.	4.89e+06

Warnings:

- [1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.
- [2] The condition number is large, 4.89e+06. This might indicate that there are strong multicollinearity or other numerical problems.

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In [18]: full_stat[['views', 'likes', 'dislikes', 'comment_count']].corr()
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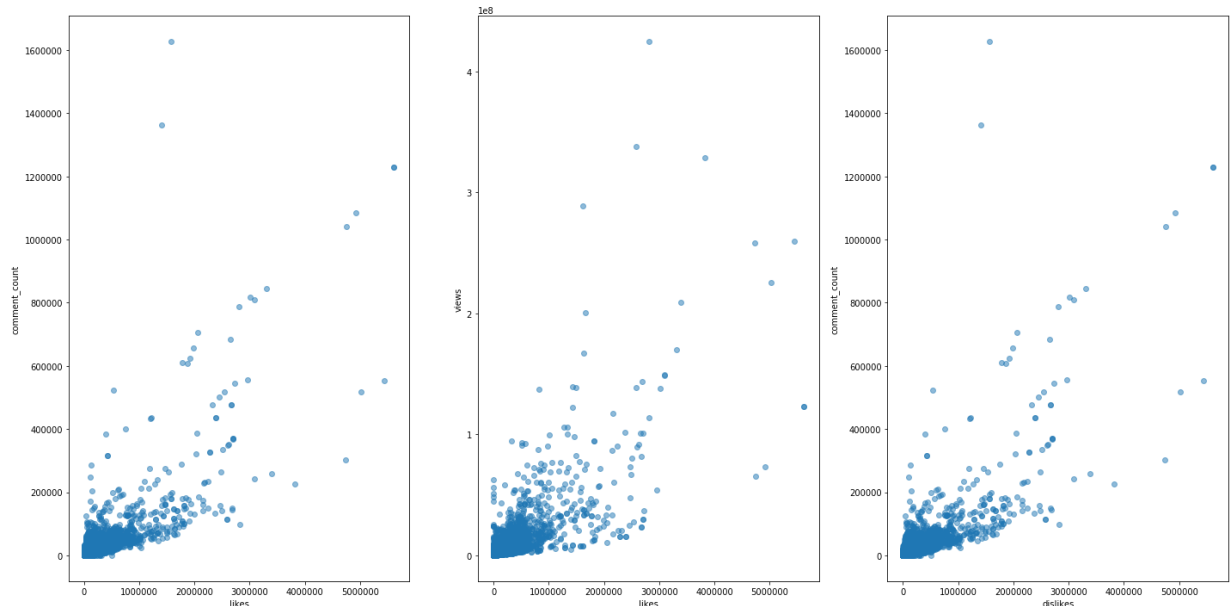
Out[18]:

	views	likes	dislikes	comment_count
views	1.000000	0.760831	0.416610	0.497356
likes	0.760831	1.000000	0.443768	0.780488
dislikes	0.416610	0.443768	1.000000	0.702464
comment_count	0.497356	0.780488	0.702464	1.000000

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In [19]: fig,[ax1, ax2, ax3]= plt.subplots(1,3, figsize = (20,10))

ax1.scatter(x = full_stat.likes, y = full_stat.comment_count, alpha = 0.5)
ax1.set(xlabel = 'likes', ylabel = 'comment_count')
ax2.scatter(x = full_stat.likes, y = full_stat.views, alpha = 0.5)
ax2.set(xlabel = 'likes', ylabel = 'views')
ax3.scatter(x = full_stat.likes, y = full_stat.comment_count, alpha = 0.5)
ax3.set(xlabel = 'dislikes', ylabel = 'comment_count')

plt.tight_layout()
```



Category Analysis

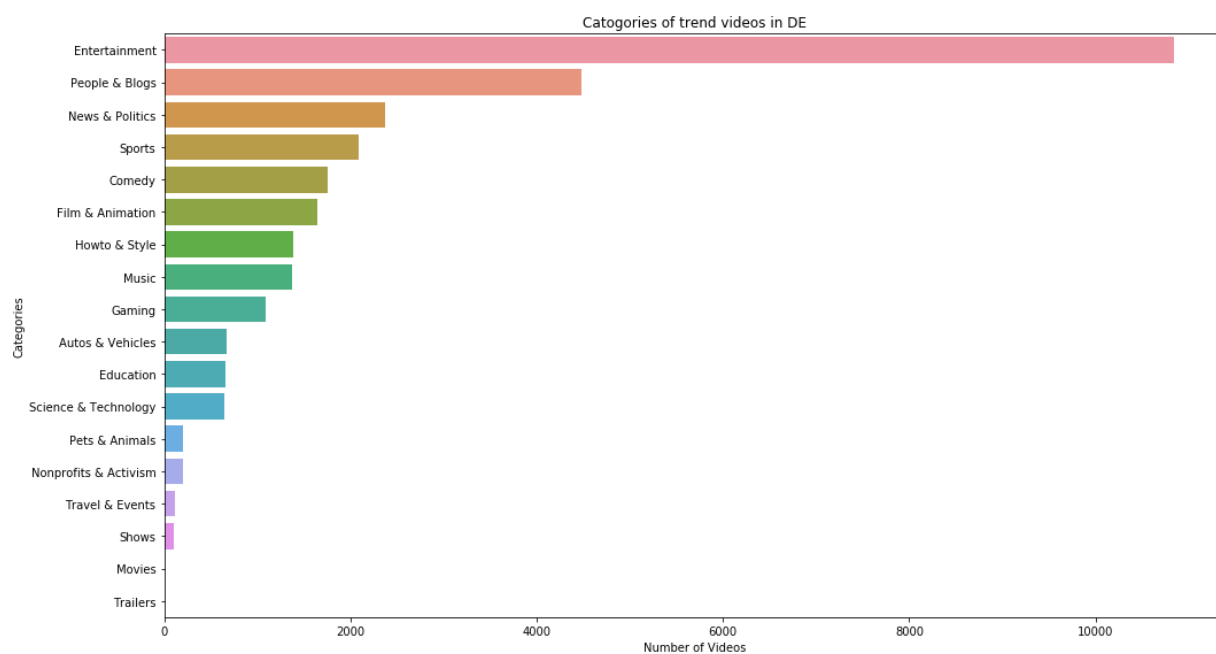
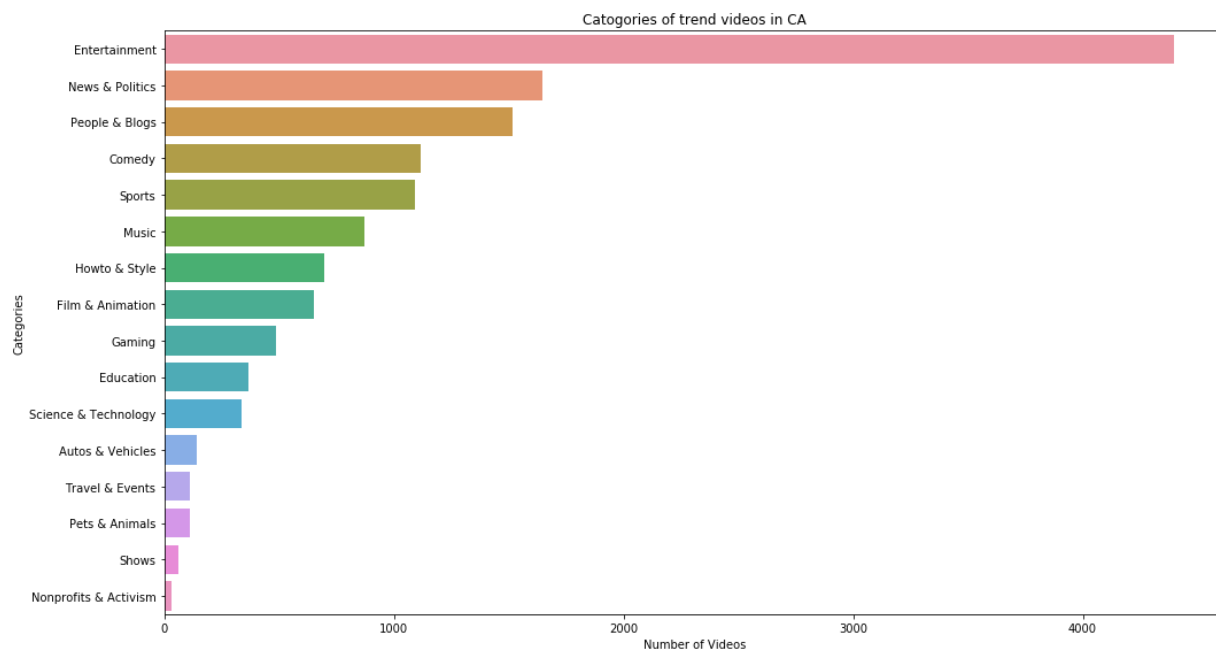
Which category has the most trending videos in different countries? What is the average trending days for each category in different countries?

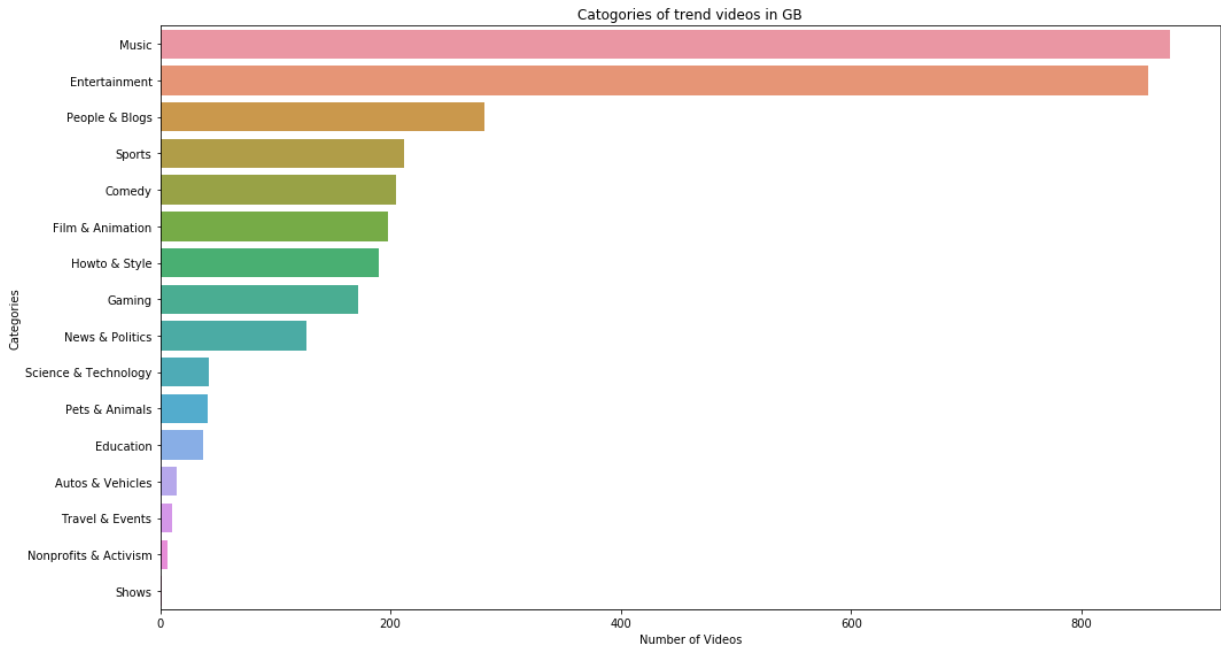
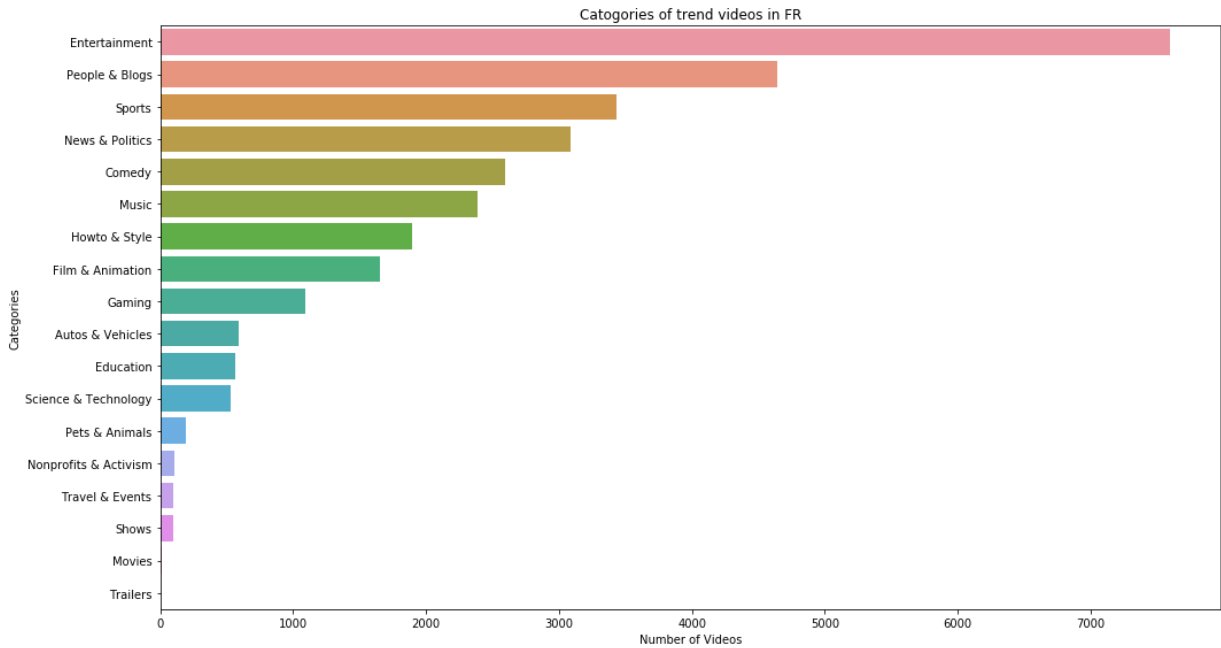
- Entertainment has the most trended video in all the countries
- Obviously, videos in UK and US have much longer average trending days than other countries; videos in all categories in the UK have long trending days

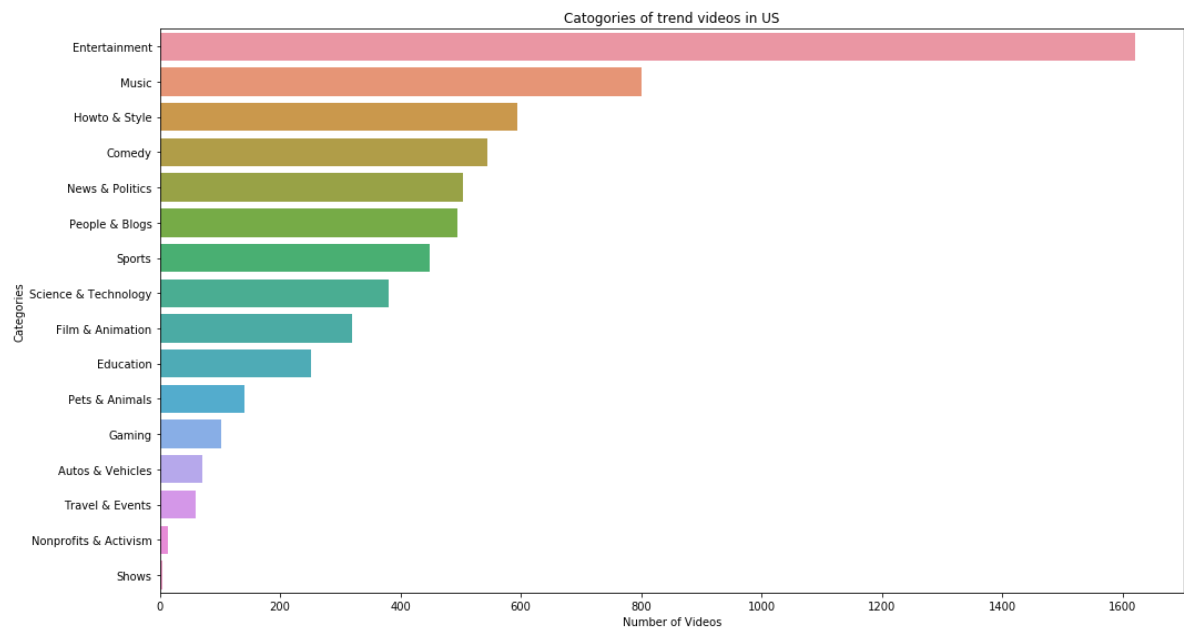
```
In [20]: # compute how many days it takes to become trended after publish
temp = data.sort_values('trending_date', ascending = False).drop_duplicates(['video_id', 'n
temp['publish_to_trend'] = temp.trending_date - temp.publish_date
temp['publish_to_trend'] = temp.publish_to_trend.astype('timedelta64[D]').astype(int)
temp = temp[['video_id', 'nation', 'publish_to_trend']]
cat_df = pd.merge(full_stat, temp)
```

```
In [21]: def cat_plot(nation, df):  
    cat_df_gb = df[df.nation == nation]['category'].value_counts().reset_index()  
    plt.figure(figsize=(15,8))  
    ax = sns.barplot(y=cat_df_gb['index'], x=cat_df_gb['category'], data=cat_df_gb, orient=  
    plt.xlabel("Number of Videos")  
    plt.ylabel("Categories")  
    plt.title('Catogories of trend videos in ' + nation)  
    plt.tight_layout()
```

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In [22]: for n in nation_ls:
cat_plot(nation = n, df = cat_df)
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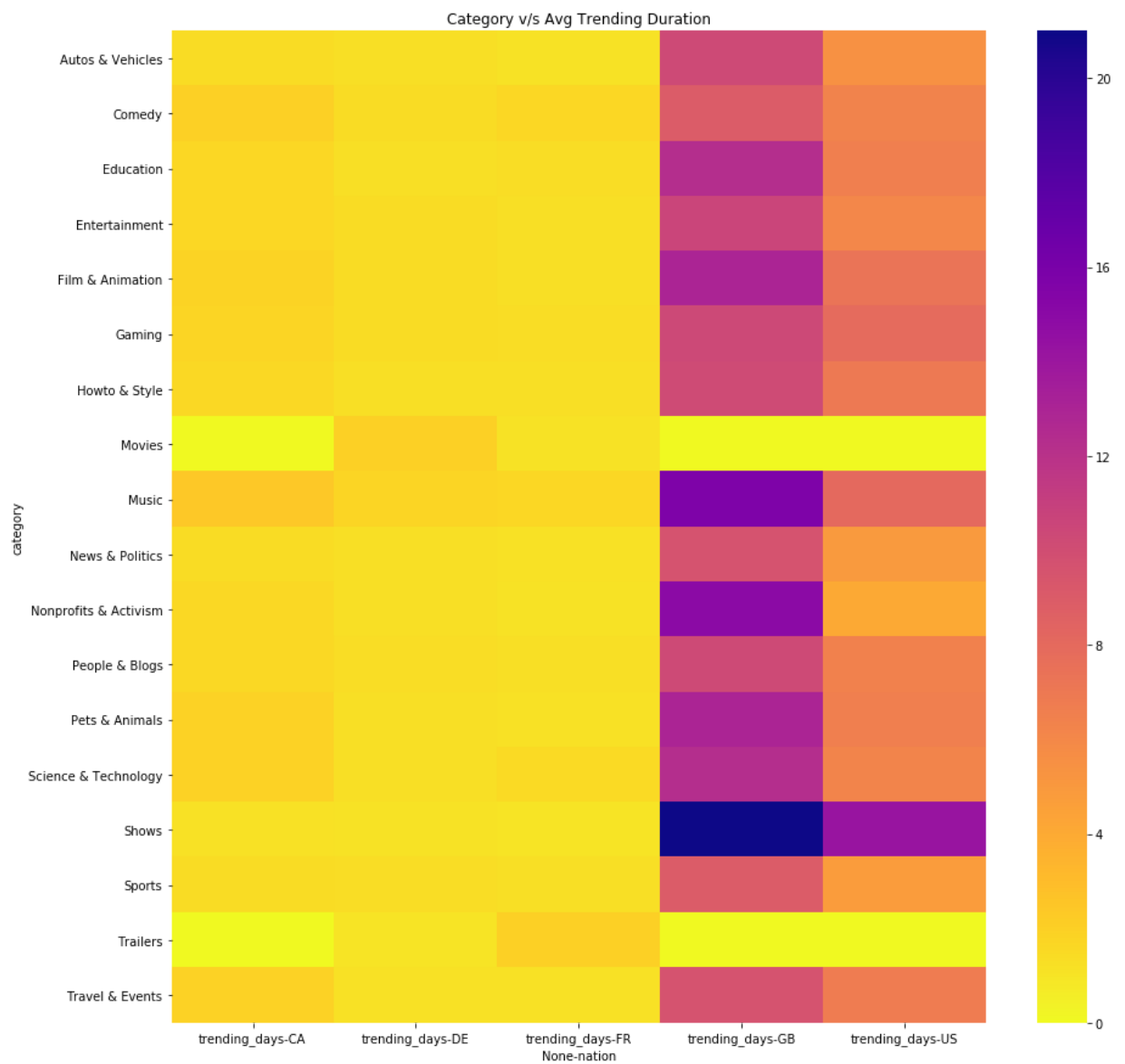




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In [23]: cat_trend_days= cat_df.groupby(['category', 'nation']).mean()[['trending_days']].unstack().
plt.figure(figsize=(15,15))#You can Arrange The Size As Per Requirement
sns.heatmap(cat_trend_days, cmap='plasma_r')
plt.title("Category v/s Avg Trending Duration")
cat_trend_days
```

Out[23]:

nation	trending_days				
	CA	DE	FR	GB	US
category					
Autos & Vehicles	1.450000	1.296131	1.138748	10.285714	5.422535
Comedy	1.995524	1.443746	1.672055	8.951220	6.343750
Education	1.669399	1.274924	1.362832	12.351351	6.613546
Entertainment	1.676444	1.409996	1.292616	10.624709	6.149291
Film & Animation	1.847095	1.446744	1.301750	13.030303	7.340625
Gaming	1.750515	1.436180	1.334249	10.343023	7.932039
Howto & Style	1.565093	1.263577	1.247886	10.205263	6.973064
Movies	0.000000	2.000000	1.100000	0.000000	0.000000
Music	2.440873	1.726744	1.650084	15.702395	8.082397
News & Politics	1.412621	1.238497	1.216926	9.645669	4.932540
Nonprofits & Activism	1.625000	1.267327	1.096154	15.000000	4.071429
People & Blogs	1.637442	1.337877	1.231631	10.301418	6.470707
Pets & Animals	1.920354	1.240196	1.215385	13.024390	6.635714
Science & Technology	1.896450	1.245750	1.502814	12.333333	6.312336
Shows	1.190476	1.077670	1.041667	21.000000	14.250000
Sports	1.474406	1.316595	1.263679	8.990566	4.824053
Trailers	0.000000	1.000000	2.000000	0.000000	0.000000
Travel & Events	1.956140	1.224138	1.226804	9.600000	6.779661

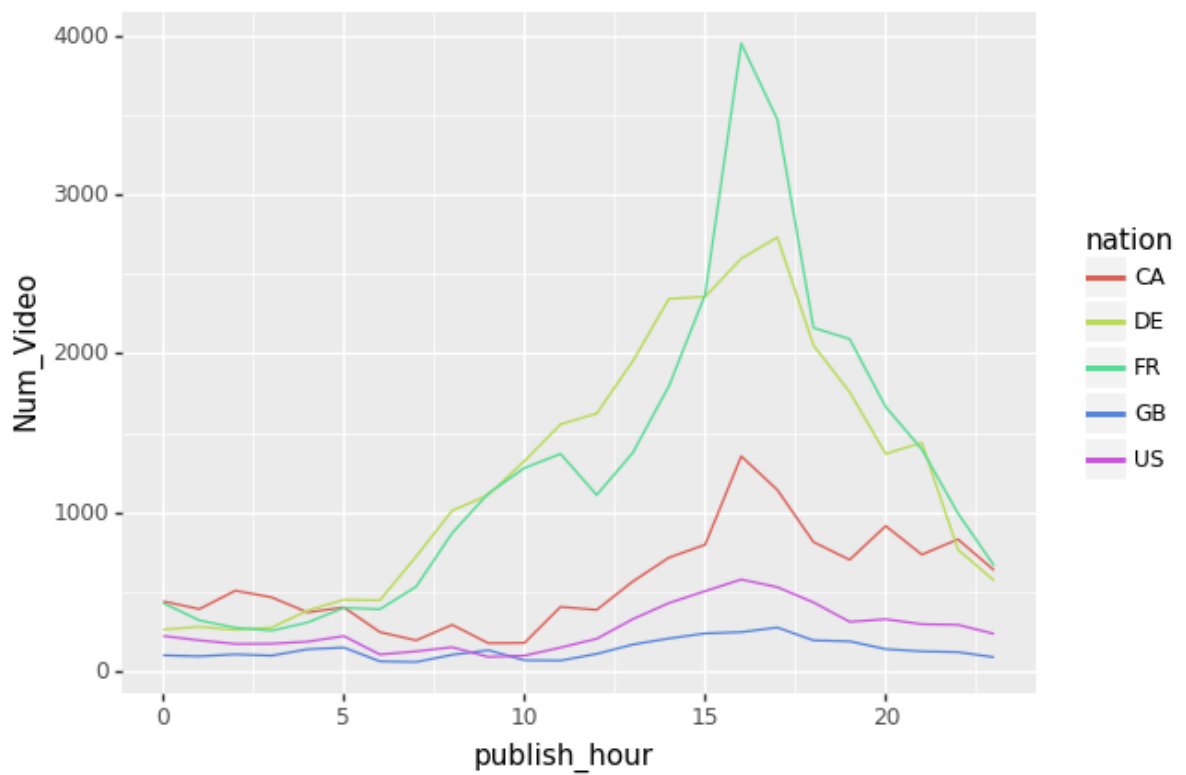


Hour and Day Analysis

What time are videos published the most? What day are videos published the most?

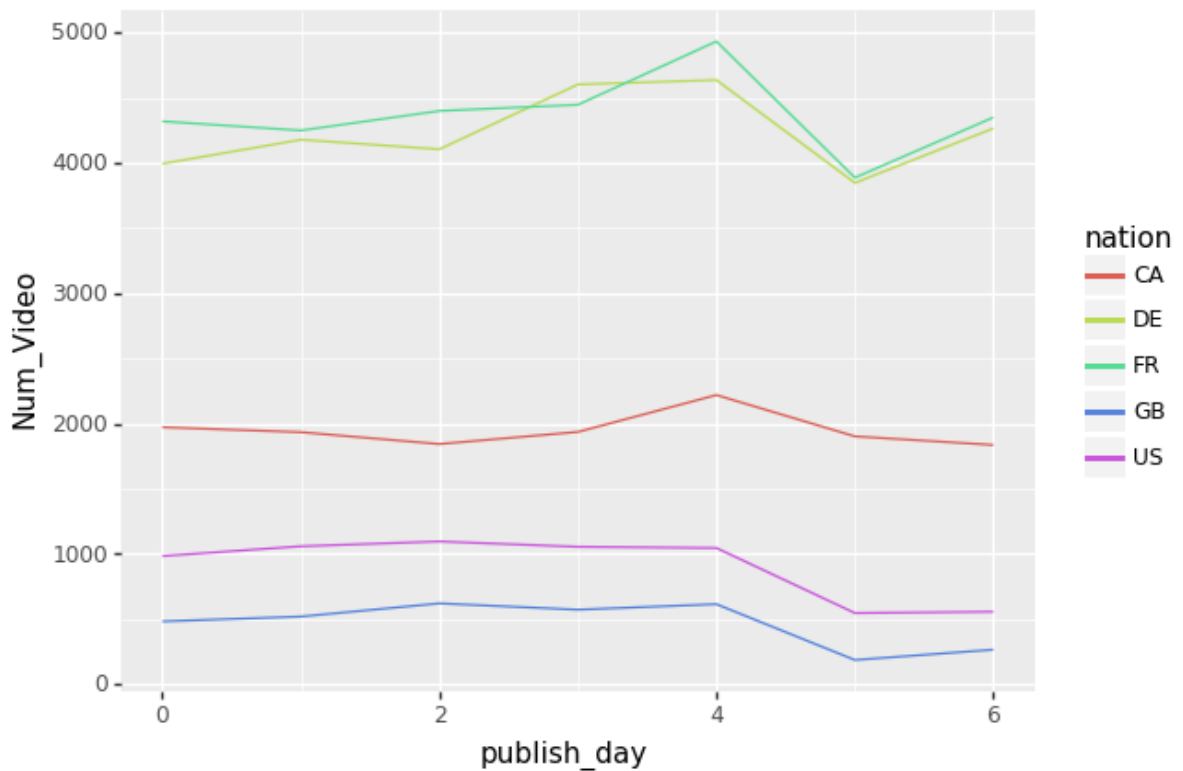
- Climbing up in after 12 p.m and peak at 4 p.m and 5 p.m
- A little bit more videos on Thursday and less on Weekend

```
In [24]: hdf = cat_df.groupby('nation').publish_hour.value_counts().to_frame().rename(columns = {'publish_hour': 'publish_hour', 'count': 'Num_Video'})
p9 = p9.ggplot(hdf, p9.aes(x = 'publish_hour', y = 'Num_Video', color = 'nation')) + p9.geom_line()
```



Out[24]: <ggplot: (30460094)>

```
In [25]: ddf = cat_df.groupby('nation').publish_day.value_counts().to_frame().rename(columns = {'publish_day': 'publish_day', 'count': 'Num_Video'})
p9.ggplot(ddf, p9.aes(x = 'publish_day', y = 'Num_Video', color = 'nation')) + p9.geom_line()
```



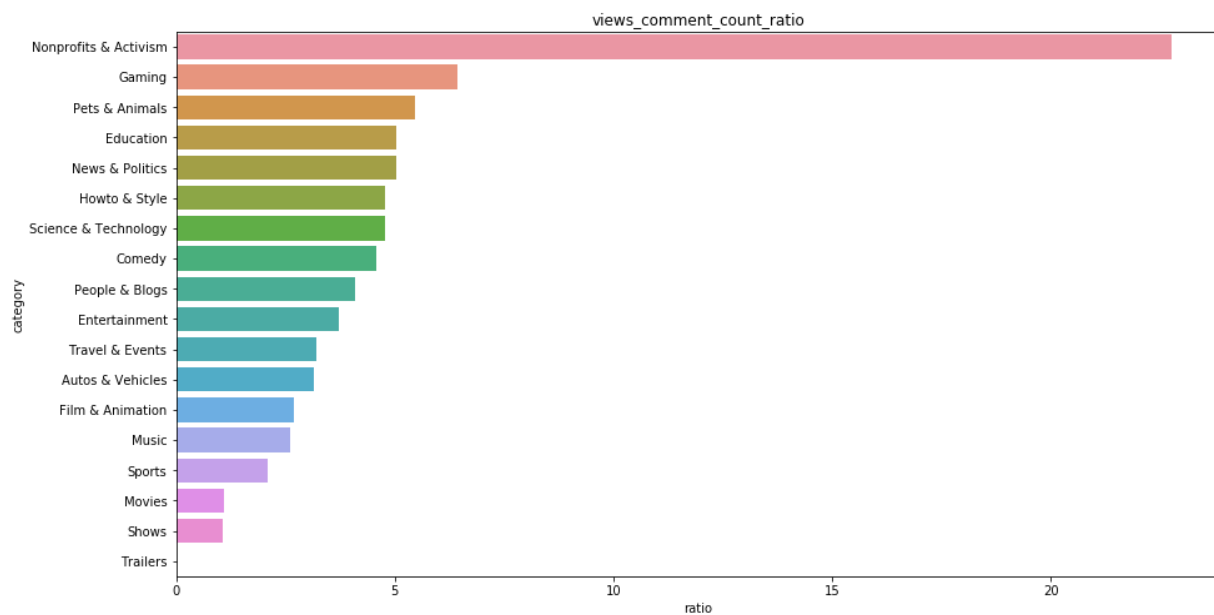
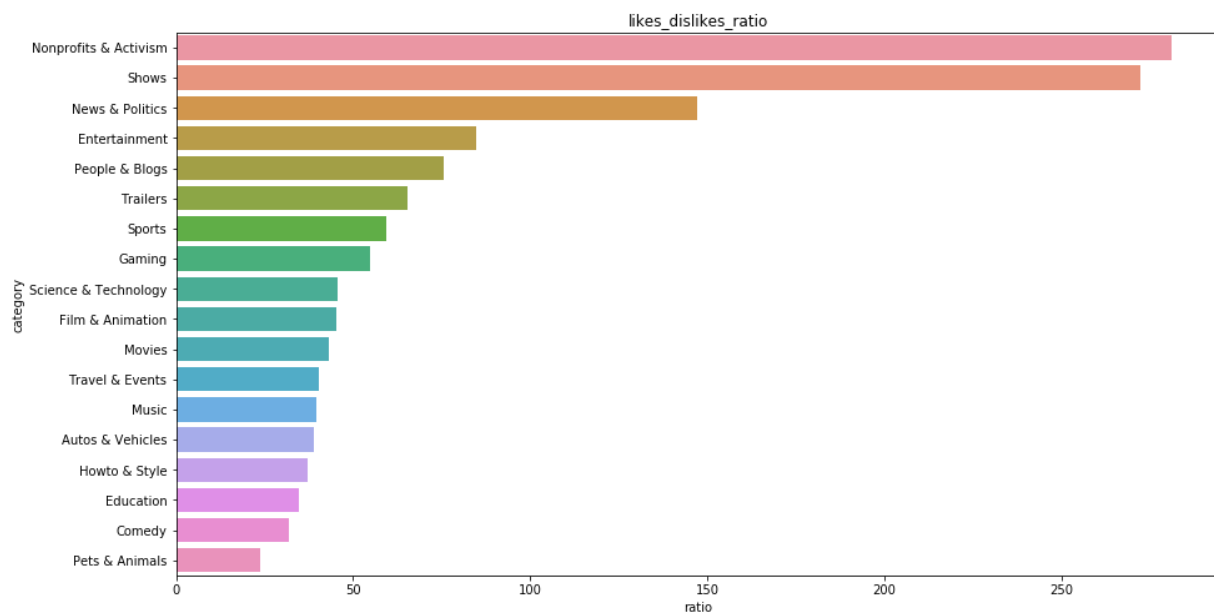
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Out[25]: <ggplot: (-9223372036824306684)>
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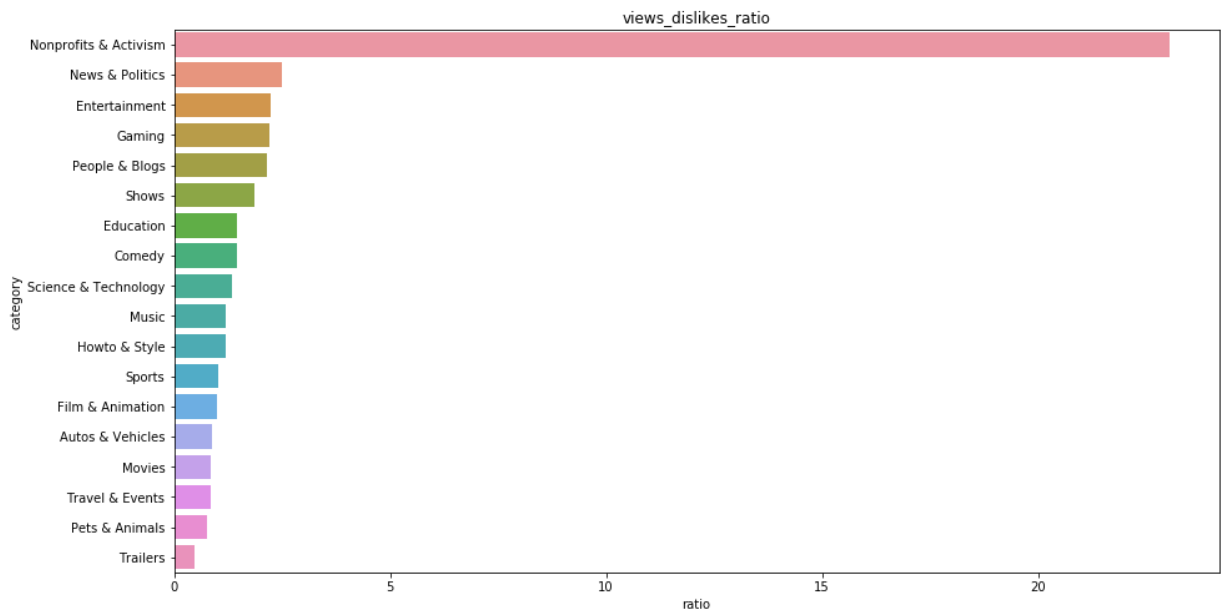
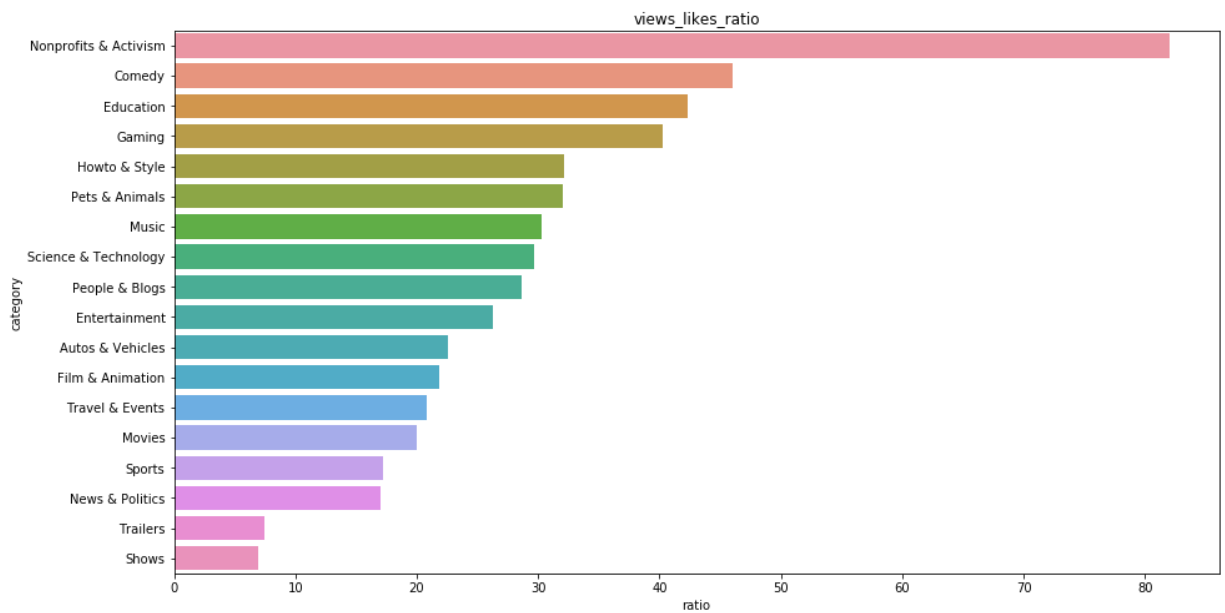
Ratio Analysis

Nonprofits & Activism videos are more controversial and have more active posts

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In [26]: def ratio_plot(df, denominator, numerator):
ratio = df.groupby('category').sum()[numerator] / df.groupby('category').sum()[denominator]
ratio = ratio.sort_values(ascending = False).reset_index()
ratio.columns = ['category', 'ratio']
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (15,8))
fig = sns.barplot(x = 'ratio', y = 'category', data = ratio)
ax.set(title = denominator + '_' + numerator + '_' + 'ratio')
```

```
In [27]: ratio_plot(cat_df, 'likes', 'dislikes')
ratio_plot(cat_df, 'views', 'comment_count')
ratio_plot(cat_df, 'views', 'likes')
ratio_plot(cat_df, 'views', 'dislikes')
```





Tags Sentimental Analysis

```
In [28]: from wordcloud import WordCloud
import nltk
#nltk.download()
from nltk.sentiment import SentimentIntensityAnalyzer
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
from nltk import sent_tokenize, word_tokenize
from wordcloud import WordCloud, STOPWORDS

from collections import Counter
from nltk.tokenize import RegexpTokenizer
import re
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In [29]: en_stopwords = list(stopwords.words('english'))
de_stopwords = list(stopwords.words('german'))
fr_stopwords = list(stopwords.words('french'))
en_stopwords.extend(de_stopwords)
en_stopwords.extend(fr_stopwords)
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In [30]: MAX_N = 1000

#remove all the stopwords from the text
en_stopwords = list(stopwords.words('english'))
de_stopwords = list(stopwords.words('german'))
fr_stopwords = list(stopwords.words('french'))
en_stopwords.extend(de_stopwords)
en_stopwords.extend(fr_stopwords)

polarities = list()
category_list = cat_df.category.unique()

for cate in category_list:
    tags_word = cat_df[cat_df['category']==cate]['tags'].str.lower().str.cat(sep=' ')

    # removes punctuation,numbers and returns list of words
    tags_word = re.sub('[^A-Za-z]+', '', tags_word)
    word_tokens = word_tokenize(tags_word)
    filtered_sentence = [w for w in word_tokens if not w in en_stopwords]
    without_single_chr = [word for word in filtered_sentence if len(word) > 2]

    # Remove numbers
    cleaned_data_title = [word for word in without_single_chr if not word.isdigit()]

    # Calculate frequency distribution
    word_dist = nltk.FreqDist(cleaned_data_title)
    hnhk = pd.DataFrame(word_dist.most_common(MAX_N),
                        columns=['Word', 'Frequency'])

    compound = .0
    for word in hnhk['Word'].head(MAX_N):
        compound += SentimentIntensityAnalyzer().polarity_scores(word)['compound']

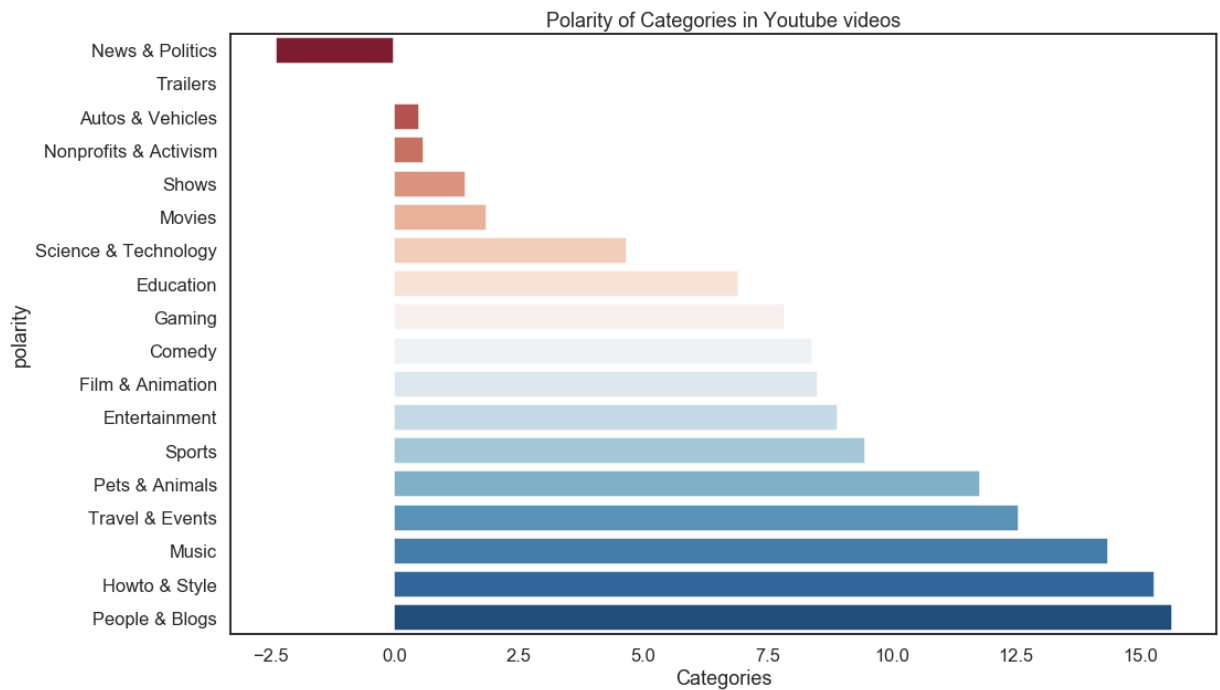
    polarities.append(compound)

category_list = pd.DataFrame(category_list)
polarities = pd.DataFrame(polarities)
tags_sentiment = pd.concat([category_list,polarities],axis=1)
tags_sentiment.columns = ['category','polarity']
tags_sentiment=tags_sentiment.sort_values('polarity').reset_index()

plt.figure(figsize=(16,10))
sns.set(style="white",context="talk")
ax = sns.barplot(x=tags_sentiment['polarity'],y=tags_sentiment['category'], data=tags_sen
plt.xlabel("Categories")
plt.ylabel("polarity")
plt.title("Polarity of Categories in Youtube videos")

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Out[30]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Polarity of Categories in Youtube videos')



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In [31]: def wcloud(data, bgcolor):
plt.figure(figsize = (20, 15))
cloud = WordCloud(background_color = bgcolor, max_words = 50, max_font_size = 50)
cloud.generate(' '.join(data))
plt.imshow(cloud)
plt.axis('off')
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In [32]: def clean_tag(cat):
tags_word = cat_df[cat_df['category']==cat]['tags'].str.lower().str.cat(sep=' ')
tags_word = re.sub('[^A-Za-z]+', ' ', tags_word)
word_tokens = word_tokenize(tags_word)
filtered_words = [w for w in word_tokens if not w in en_stopwords]
without_single_chr = [word for word in filtered_words if len(word) > 2]
cleaned_data = [word for word in without_single_chr if not word.isdigit()]
return cleaned_data
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wcloud(clean_tag('Entertainment'), 'white')
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wcloud(clean_tag('News & Politics'), 'white')
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wcloud(clean_tag('Nonprofits & Activism'), 'white')
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