Exploratory Data Analysis And Visualization: Netflix Data Using Python Libraries

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Abstract

The phrase "Exploratory Data Analysis" combines two distinct methods that are found in the broad field of data science. In our case, that data is Netflix Data, an Open-Source Data Set that was acquired from Kaggle. After combining two additional sets, Geographic Latitudes & Longitudes and Netflix Title Critics/Reviews Data Set, the data was wrangled and exercised to derive maximum insights using EDA – Exploratory Data Analysis. The Python Library of Versatile Packages contains a variety of utility analytical tools that are used in the project. This work presents the methodical and perceptive application of techniques for Exploratory Data Analysis through the use of the relevant packages.

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1. Introduction

We can define data visualisation as a graphical representation of information and data. Data cleaning, exploratory data analysis, and appropriate, effective communication with corporate stakeholders are its key uses. The need for data scientists is currently growing. We are moving closer and closer to a data-driven society every day. Making decisions based on data and using visualisation to communicate stories about what, when, and how data might help us reach a desirable result are both very advantageous.

Colours and patterns catch our attention. We can distinguish swiftly between blue and yellow, and a circle from a square. A sort of visual art known as data visualisation not only captures our attention but also holds it there. With the aid of data visualisation, we can literally tell the stakeholders our whole body of numerical information through eye-catching graphs.

We are currently in "an age of big data," in which trillions of rows of data are produced every day. Data visualisation aids in both showcasing a certain aspect of the data and curating it into an easily understandable format.
2. Data Visualization Tools
   1. Bar Plot :

   It is a graph with rectangular bars whose length and height are proportionate to the values they stand for and which reflects a certain category of data. It has various parameters like: Y coordinates for Y-Bar, Width of the bar and height of the bar.

   2. Timeline :

   It consists of different parameters like: Y coordinate for horizontal line, xmin: the range for this option should be 0 to 1. With 0 serving as the default value, the extremes of the plot are denoted by 0 and 1, respectively and xmax: the range for this option should be 0 to 1. With 1 being the default value, 0 denotes the plot's extreme left and 1 denotes its extreme right.

3. About the Data Set

   One of the most well-known media and video streaming services is Netflix. They offer more than 8000 films and TV episodes on their platform, and as of the middle of 2021, they had more over 200 million subscribers worldwide. This tabular dataset includes listings for all of the Netflix films and TV episodes, together with information about the actors, directors, ratings, release year, duration, and other factors.

4. About Data Visualization Libraries in Python
   1. Matplotlib: It is a plotting library for the Python programming language and includes the Numpy extension for numerical mathematics. When utilising general-purpose GUI toolkits like Tkinter, QT, WxPython, or GTX, it offers an object-oriented API for embedding plots.
   2. Seaborn: It is a fantastic visualisation library for Python-based statistical graphics plotting. It offers lovely default styles and colour schemes to enhance the appeal of statistics charts. It is constructed on top of the Matplotlib toolkit and is tightly integrated with the Pandas data structures. Seaborn aims to make visualisation the core of data exploration and comprehension. In order to better comprehend the dataset, it also offers dataset-oriented APIs that allow us to move between various visual representations of the same variables.
   3. Numpy: It is a Python module that supports multi-dimensional arrays and matrices and offers a wide range of complex mathematical operations that may be applied to them.
   4. Pandas: It is a robust, adaptable, and simple tool for data manipulation in the Python programming language.

5. Data Visualization:

   Data visualization is divided into following steps:
   1. Importing Libraries
   2. Loading the dataset
   3. Data Cleaning
   4. Data Visualization
   5. Creating Word Cloud
1. Importing Libraries:

```python
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
import seaborn as sns
```

2. Loading the Data Set:

```python
netflix = pd.read_csv('input/netflix-shows/netflix_titles.csv')
```

A. Display first 10 values

```python
netflix.head(10)
```

B. Check for Null Values:

```python
netflix.isnull().sum()
```

C. Check Unique Values:

```python
netflix.nunique()
```

3. Data Cleaning

A. Calculating the Missing Data

```python
for i in df.columns:
    null_rate = df[i].isna().sum()/len(df) * 100
    if null_rate > 0:
        print(f'{} null rate: {null_rate:.2f}%')

director missing percentage: 30.66%
cast missing percentage: 9.22%
country missing percentage: 6.51%
date_added missing percentage: 0.13%
rating missing percentage: 0.09%
```

B. Dealing with the Missing Data

```python
df['country'] = df['country'].fillna(df['country'].mode()[0])
df['cast'].replace(np.nan, 'No data', inplace=True)
df['director'].replace(np.nan, 'No data', inplace=True)
df.dropna(inplace=True)
df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
```
4. Data Visualization

A. Netflix’s Brand

```python
sns.palplot(['#221f1f', '#b20710', '#e50114', '#f5f5f1'])
plt.title("Netflix brand palette", loc='left', fontfamily='serif', fontsize=15, y=1.2)
plt.show()
```

Netflix brand palette

![Netflix Brand Palette](image)

Fig 1: Netflix Brand Palette

B. Visualising the Ratio between Netflix’s TV Shows and Movies

```python
x = df.groupby(['type'])['type'].count()
y = len(df)
r = (x/y).round(2)
mf_ratio = pd.DataFrame(r).T
```

![Movie & TV Show distribution](image)

Fig 2: Movie and TV Show Distribution

C. Visualising Netflix’s Timeline

a. Initializing the timeline list:

```python
from datetime import datetime

tl_dates = [
    "1997 Founded", 
    "1998 Mail Services", 
    "2003 Goes Public", 
    "2007 Streaming service", 
    "2016 Goes Global", 
    "2021 Netflix & Chill"
]
```

D. Netflix timeline through the years:

![Netflix through the years](image)

E. Relation between Type and Rating

![Distribution of Type and Rating](image)

Fig 3: Distribution of Type and Rating
F. Histograms to Display Different Countries Using Netflix

```python
df['country']
df['first_country'] = df['country'].apply(lambda x: x.split(', ')[0])
df['first_country']

Calculate total occurrences of each Country:
first_country
USA 3379
India 956
UK 576
Canada 259
Japan 235
France 196
S. Korea 194
Spain 168
Mexico 123
Turkey 106
Name: count, dtype: int64
df['count'] = 1 #helper column
data = df.groupby('first_country')['count'].sum().sort_values(ascending=False)[:10]
```

![Top 10 countries on Netflix](image)

**Fig 4: Top 10 Countries on Netflix**

G. Creating Word Cloud

```python
from wordcloud import WordCloud

plt.subplots(figsize=(20, 15))
wordcloud = WordCloud(
    background_color='white',
    width=1920,
    height=1080
).generate(' '.join(df.country))
plt.imshow(wordcloud)
plt.axis('off')
plt.savefig('country.png')
plt.show()
```

![Word Cloud Representation](image)

**Fig 5: Word Cloud Representation**

5. Results and Conclusion

In this work, authors explained the process of using Python for exploratory data analysis (EDA) using a Netflix data set. Many Python libraries were used including Pandas, Seaborn, Matplotlib, and Plotly, to visualise and analyse the data.
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