

WRAPPING UP & GOING BEYOND THE BASICS

MPA 630: Data Science for Public Management

December 13, 2018

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PLAN FOR TODAY

What the heck did we just learn?

Going beyond the basics

Ethics of data

Curiosity

**WHAT THE HECK
DID WE JUST LEARN?**

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$$

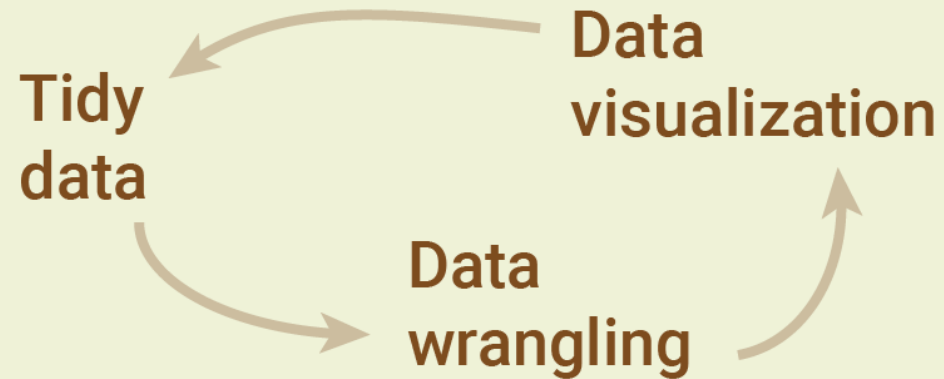
$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n}}$$

$$r_{xy} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}}$$

Getting started with R



Working with data



Communication & beyond



Modeling

Regression

Inference &
regression



Inference

Sampling

Confidence
intervals

Hypothesis
testing



**DATA SCIENCE FOR
PUBLIC MANAGEMENT**

WHAT IS "DATA SCIENCE"?

Turning raw data into
understanding, insight,
and knowledge

Collect

Analyze

Communicate

GOING BEYOND THE BASICS

FLAVORS OF REGRESSION

Linear regression (OLS)

Y is numeric

Logistic regression

Y is 2 categories

Ordered logistic regression

Y is 3+ categories

LINEAR REGRESSION

```
model_ols <- lm(childs ~ marital + conservative + pray2, data = gss)
model_ols %>% get_regression_table()
```

	term	estimate	std_error	statistic	p_value	lower_ci	upper_ci
	<chr>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1	intercept	1.96	0.093	20.9	0	1.77	2.14
2	maritalMarried	-0.107	0.077	-1.39	0.165	-0.258	0.044
3	maritalNever married	-1.45	0.083	-17.5	0	-1.61	-1.28
4	maritalSeparated	0	0.161	0	1	-0.316	0.316
5	maritalWidowed	0.485	0.113	4.29	0	0.263	0.706
6	conservativeNot conservative	-0.094	0.058	-1.61	0.108	-0.209	0.021
7	pray2At least once a week	0.418	0.064	6.50	0	0.292	0.544

For every 1 unit increase in X, there's a β change in Y

LOGISTIC REGRESSION

```
model_logit <- glm(pres12 ~ childs + marital + conservative + pray2,  
                   family = binomial(link = "logit"), data = gss)  
model_logit %>% tidy(exponentiate = TRUE, conf.int = TRUE)
```

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
<chr>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1 (Intercept)	2.29	0.234	3.54	3.93e- 4	1.45	3.62
2 childs	0.903	0.0462	-2.22	2.66e- 2	0.824	0.988
3 maritalMarried	1.51	0.175	2.35	1.86e- 2	1.07	2.13
4 maritalNever married	0.500	0.225	-3.08	2.08e- 3	0.321	0.776
5 maritalSeparated	0.620	0.425	-1.12	2.62e- 1	0.263	1.40
6 maritalWidowed	1.07	0.246	0.287	7.74e- 1	0.662	1.74
7 conservativeNot conservative	0.0750	0.131	-19.8	1.35e-87	0.0579	0.0966
8 pray2At least once a week	1.24	0.162	1.35	1.77e- 1	0.908	1.71

For every 1 unit increase in X, there's a $\beta\%$ change
in the probability of Y happening

Odds ratios
Centered around 1

ORDERED LOGISTIC REGRESSION

```
model_ologit <- polr(polviews_ordered ~ pres12 + childs + marital + pray2,  
                    data = gss, method = "logistic")  
model_ologit %>% tidy(exponentiate = TRUE)
```

	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	conf.low	conf.high
	<chr>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1	childs	0.885	0.0331	-3.68	0.829	0.944
2	maritalMarried	1.12	0.127	0.894	0.874	1.44
3	maritalNever married	0.984	0.154	-0.106	0.728	1.33
4	maritalSeparated	0.706	0.318	-1.10	0.378	1.31
5	maritalWidowed	0.897	0.178	-0.615	0.633	1.27
6	pray2At least once a week	0.406	0.110	-8.19	0.327	0.504
7	pres12Romney	0.0751	0.116	-22.4	0.0597	0.0940

For every 1 unit increase in X, there's a $\beta\%$ change in the probability of moving to next level of Y

Odds ratios
Centered around 1

MORE WITH R

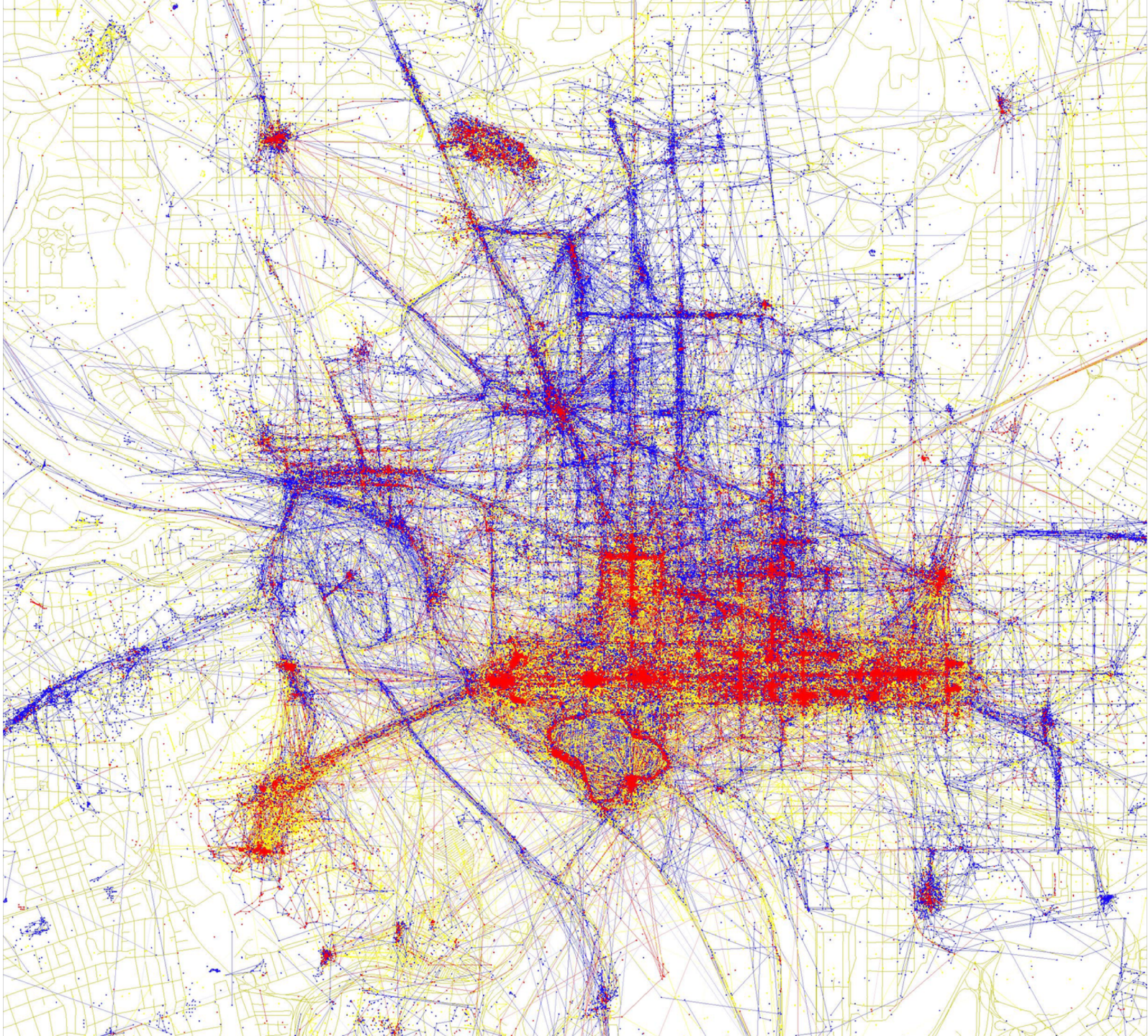
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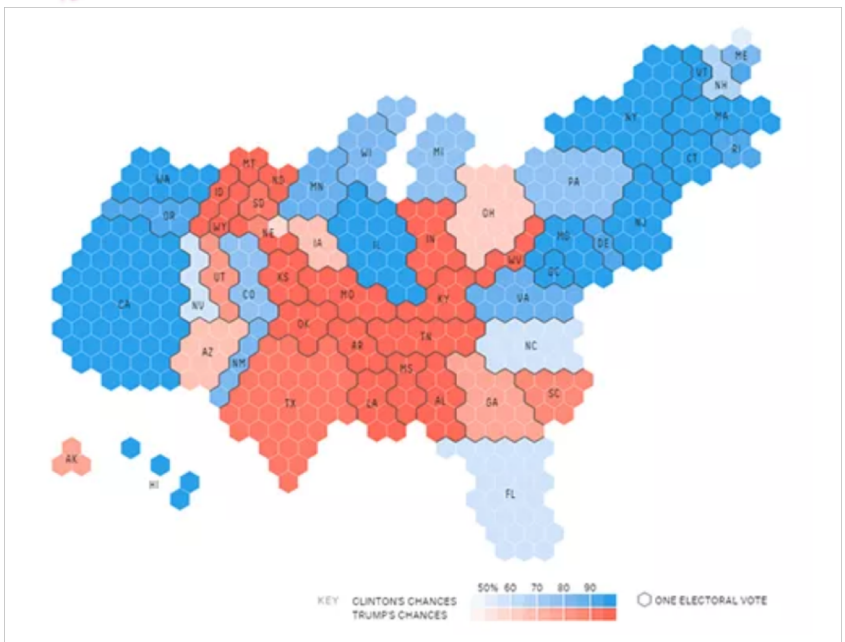
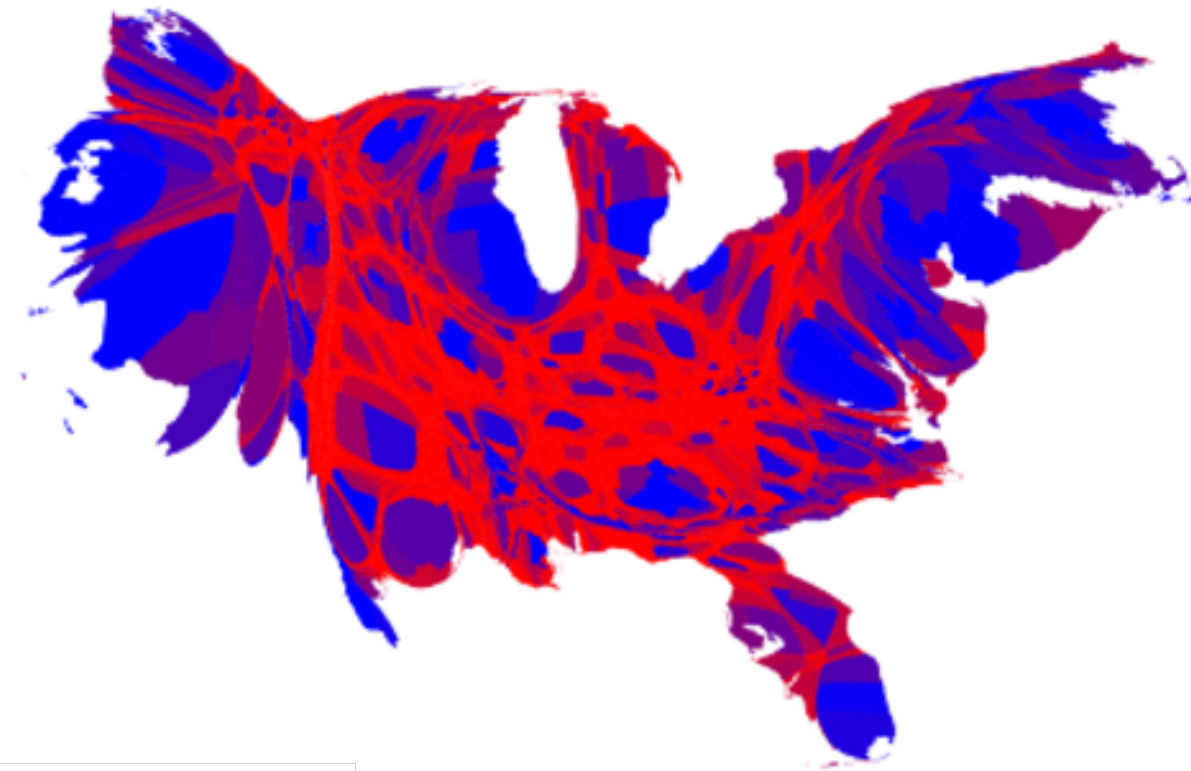
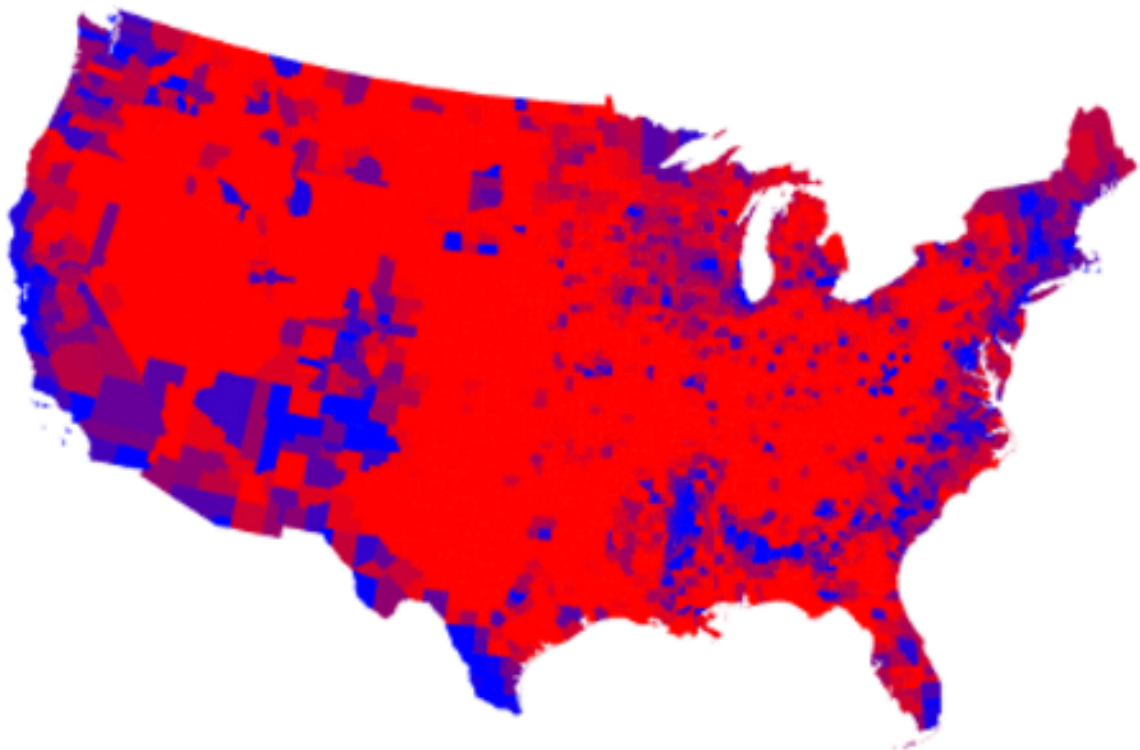
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Interactivity

Dashboards

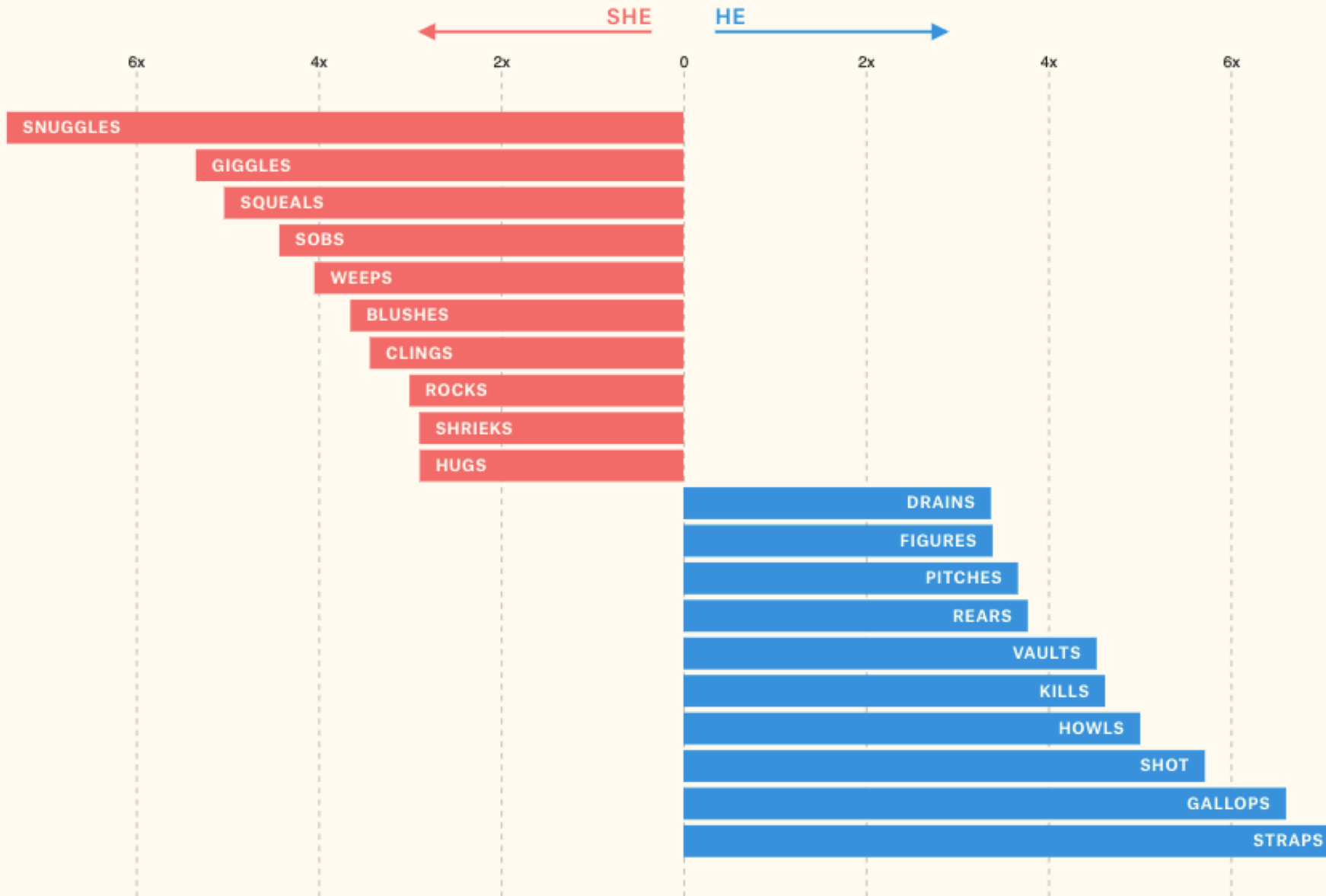
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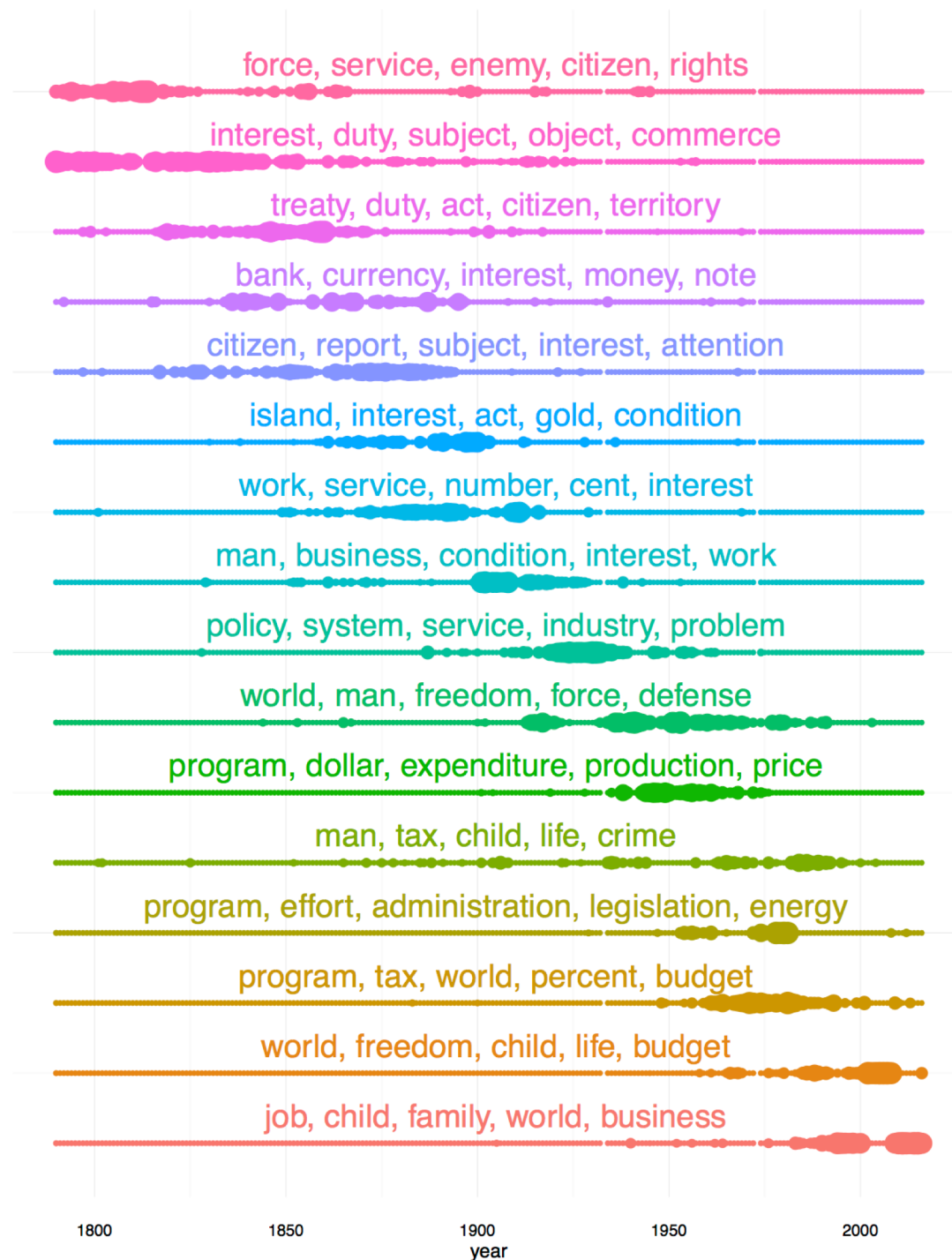




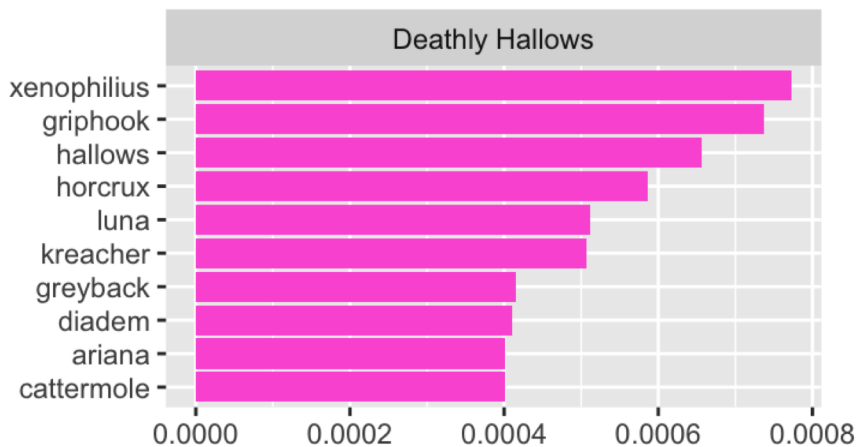
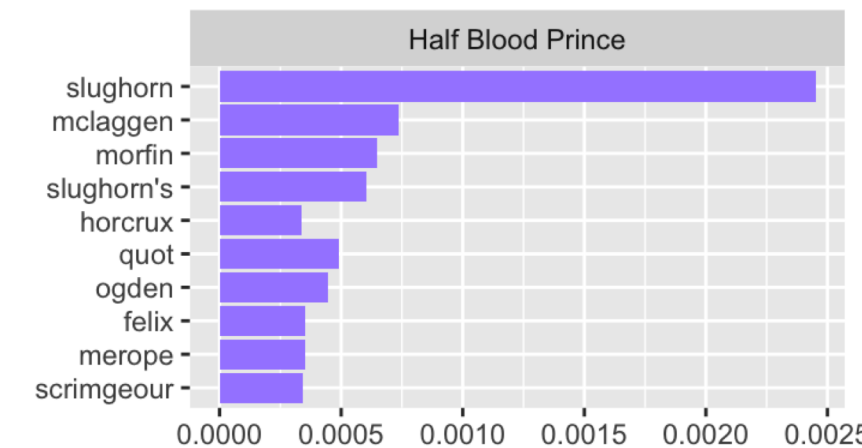
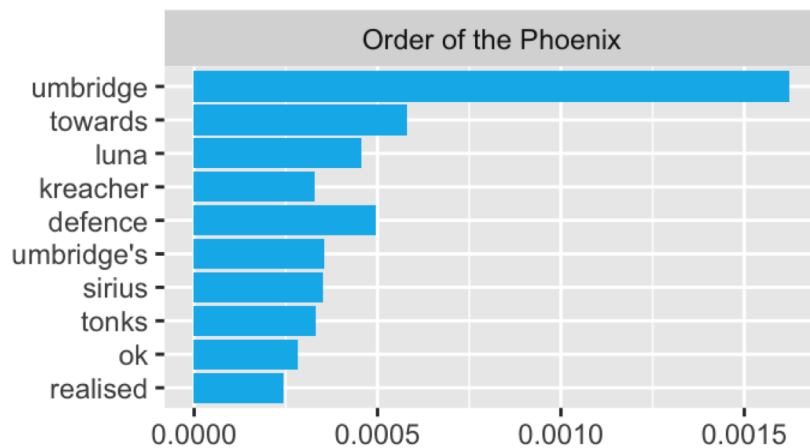
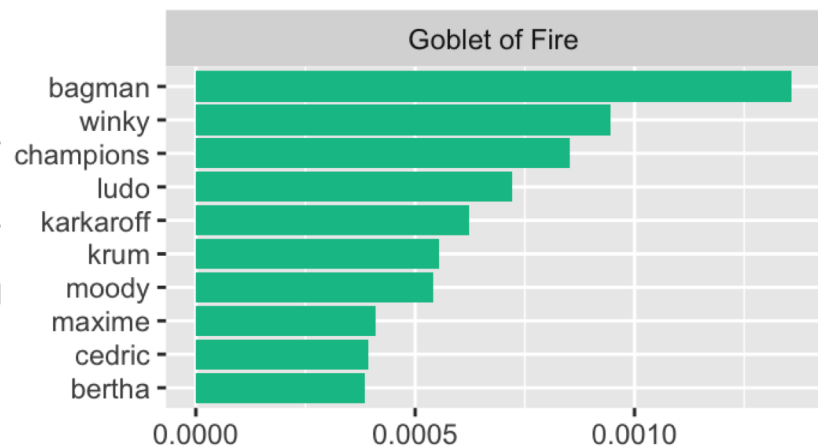
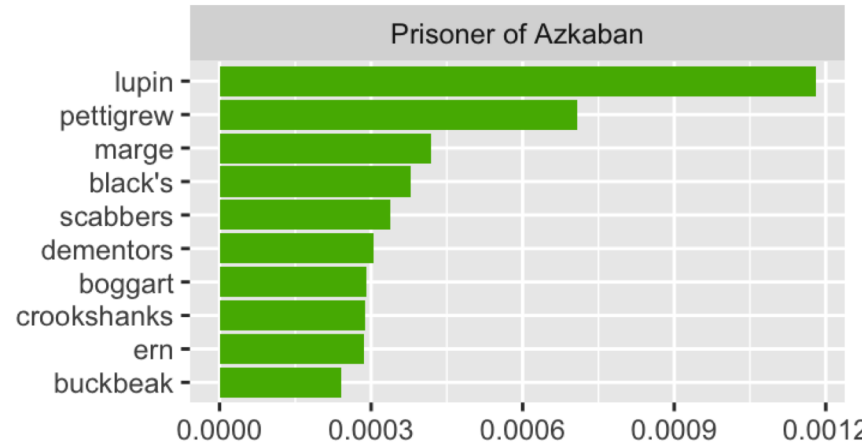
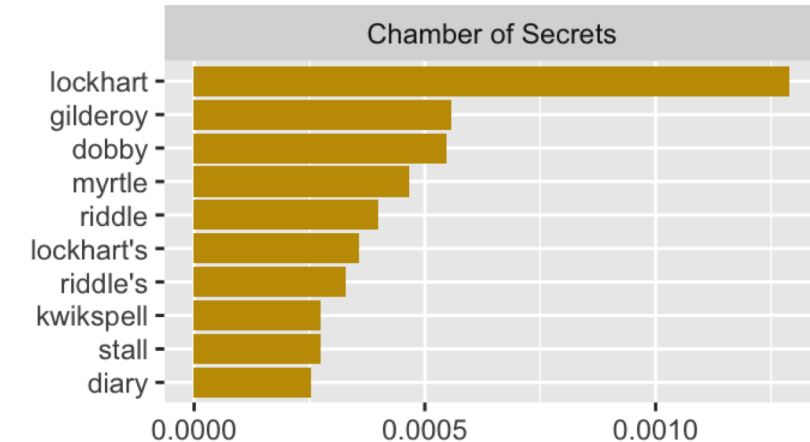
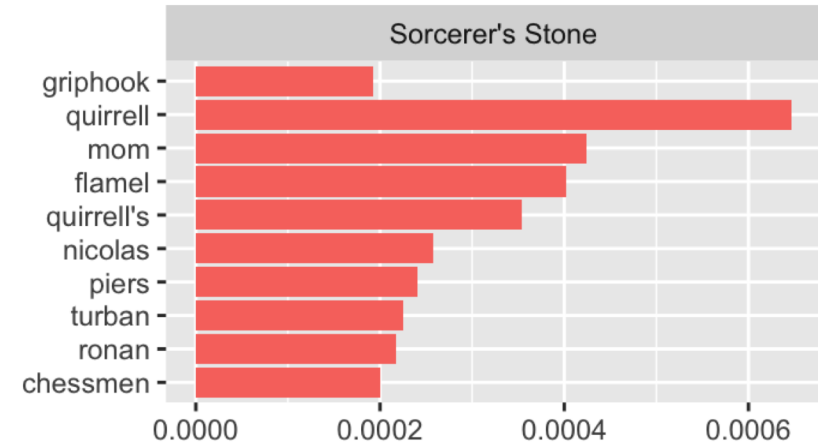
The most used words for women vs. men

Likelihood that certain words appear after "she" vs. "he" in screen direction.





fct_rev(word)



tf_idf

ETHICS OF DATA

POSSIBLE PITFALLS

Manipulation

Don't coerce people

Don't make critical decisions on data alone

Bias

There's no such thing as an objective model

Manipulation

Welcome!
Everything is fine.



SING TO A CHILD: +0.69 FAIL TO DISCLOSE CAMEL ILLNESS WHEN SELLING CAMEL: -22.22

END SLAVERY: +814292.09

COMMIT GENOCIDE: -433115.25 HARASSMENT (SEXUAL): -731.26

FIX BROKEN TRICYCLE FOR CHILD WHO LOVES TRICYCLES: +6.60

REMEMBER SISTER'S BIRTHDAY: +15.02

STEP CAREFULLY OVER FLOWER BED: +2.09

FIX BROKEN TRICYCLE FOR CHILD WHO IS INDIFFERENT TO TRICYCLES: +0.04

BE COMMISSIONER OF PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE (AMERICAN): -824.55

STEAL COPPER WIRING FROM DECOMMISSIONED MILITARY BASE: -16.00

POISON A RIVER: -4010.55

SAVE A CHILD FROM DROWNING: +1202.33

REV A MOTORCYCLE: -64.42

PLANT BAOBAB TREE IN MADAGASCAR: +9.40

DISTURB CORAL REEF WITH FLIPPER: -53.83

SCRATCH ELBOW: +1.06

PET A LAMB: +0.89

EAT A SANDWICH: +1.00

HUG SAD FRIEND: +4.98

PURIFY WATER SOURCE (VILLAGE): POP. >250): +295.98

BLOW NOSE BY PRESSING ONE NOSTRIL DOWN AND EXHALING: -1.44

STIFF A WAITRESS: -6.83

BUY A TRASHY MAGAZINE: -0.75

USE THE TERM "BRO-CODE": -8.20

USE "FACEBOOK" AS A VERB: -5.55

ROOT FOR NEW YORK YANKEES: -99.15

REMAIN LOYAL TO CLEVELAND BROWNS: +53.83

POUTELY TOLERATE STRANGER RECOUNTING NEW YORKER ARTICLE AT COCKTAIL PARTY: +12.23

TELL A WOMAN TO "SMILE": -53.83

OVERSTATE PERSONAL CONNECTION TO TRAGEDY THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU: -40.57

RUIN OPERA WITH BOORISH BEHAVIOR: -90.90

MAINTAIN COMPOSURE IN LINE AT WATER PARK IN HOUSTON: +61.14

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where your life is measured by a number—three digits
that dictate your place in society.
That future is now.

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Instagram's feed ranking criteria

Instagram relies on machine learning based on your past behavior to create a unique feed for everyone. Even if you follow the exact same accounts as someone else, you'll get a personalized feed based on how you interact with those accounts.

Three main factors determine what you see in your Instagram feed:

1. **Interest:** How much Instagram predicts you'll care about a post, with higher ranking for what matters to you, determined by past behavior on similar content and potentially machine vision analyzing the actual content of the post.
2. **Recency:** How recently the post was shared, with prioritization for timely posts over weeks-old ones.
3. **Relationship:** How close you are to the person who shared it, with higher ranking for people you've interacted with a lot in the past on Instagram, such as by commenting on their posts or being tagged together in photos.

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

Blue Feed, Red Feed

See Liberal Facebook and Conservative Facebook, Side by Side

*By **Jon Keegan***

Published May 18, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. ET | Updated hourly

FILTER FEEDS BY TOPIC:

PRESIDENT TRUMP

HEALTH CARE

GUNS

ABORTION

ISIS

BUDGET

EXECUTIVE ORDER

IMMIGRATION

MSNBC on Wednesday

New York Attorney Gen.-elect Letitia James says she plans to launch sweeping investigations into President Trump, his family and "anyone" in his circle who may have violated the law.




NBCNEWS.COM

Incoming New York attorney general plans wide-rang...

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Senate Minority Leader Sch...
Posted by MSNBC
101,413 Views



LIVE: Senate Minority Leader Schumer speaks on Senate floor about his Oval Office meeting with President Trump.
<https://nbcnews.to/2EezUoG>

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The Raw Story on Wednesday

Can't fix stupid.



RAWSTORY.COM

Trump supporter attacks Pelosi on Fox & Friends: Cr...
Fox News reporter Todd Piro spoke to a group of viewers in North...

The Federalist Papers on Wednesday

The President just set three traps for Schumer and Pelosi on immigration yesterday and they fell for all three. This is brilliant!




THEFEDERALISTPAPERS.ORG

Trump Just Set 3 Traps For Schumer, Pelosi Over Im...
Hook, line and sinker.

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The Daily Signal on Wednesday

Michael Cohen's payments to two women during the 2016 campaign may have been unseemly—but they were not illegal.



DAILYSIGNAL.COM

Trump's Ex-Lawyer Didn't Violate Campaign Finance ...
Michael Cohen's payments to two women during the 2016 campa...

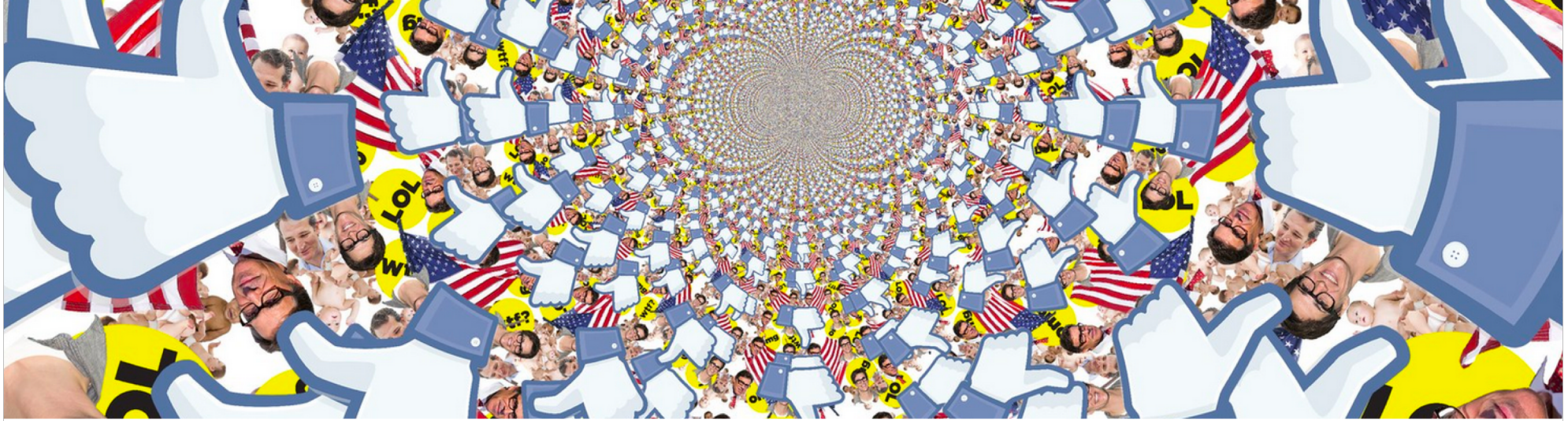
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Breitbart on Wednesday

"I'm not concerned, no. I think that the people would revolt if that happened," Trump said.



BREITBART.COM

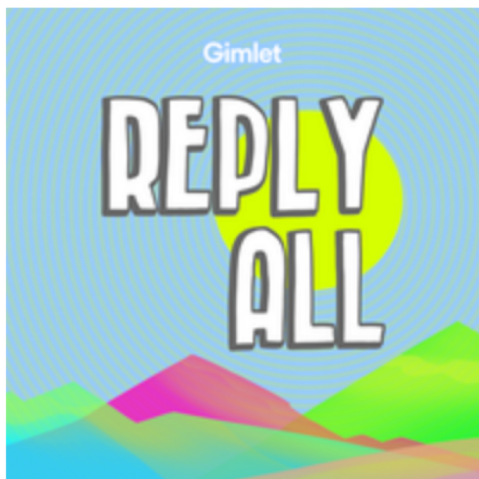


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I LIKED EVERYTHING I SAW ON FACEBOOK FOR TWO DAYS. HERE'S WHAT IT DID TO ME

#109 Is Facebook Spying on You?

November 2, 2017



Reply All
#109 Is Facebook Spying on You?

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MEGAPHONE

How Target Figured Out A Teen Girl Was Pregnant Before Her Father Did



Kashmir Hill Forbes Staff
Welcome to The Not-So Private Par

“ As Pole’s computers crawled through the data, he was able to identify about 25 products that, when analyzed together, allowed him to assign each shopper a “pregnancy prediction” score. More important, he could also estimate her due date to within a small window, so Target could send coupons timed to very specific stages of her pregnancy.

One Target employee I spoke to provided a hypothetical example. Take a fictional Target shopper named Jenny Ward, who is 23, lives in Atlanta and in March bought cocoa-butter lotion, a purse large enough to double as a diaper bag, zinc and magnesium supplements and a bright blue rug. There’s, say, an 87 percent chance that she’s pregnant and that her delivery date is sometime in late August.

via [How Companies Learn Your Secrets - NYTimes.com](#).

AIRLINES FACE CRACK DOWN ON USE OF 'EXPLOITATIVE' ALGORITHM THAT SPLITS UP FAMILIES ON FLIGHTS

Government ministers have condemned the practice

Helen Coffey | @LenniCoffey

Monday 19 November 2018 12:22 | 9 comments |



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The Independent Travel

Algorithms used by airlines to split up those travelling together unless they pay more to sit next to each other have been called “exploitative” by a government minister.

IT'S NOT ALL DYSTOPIAN

The White House

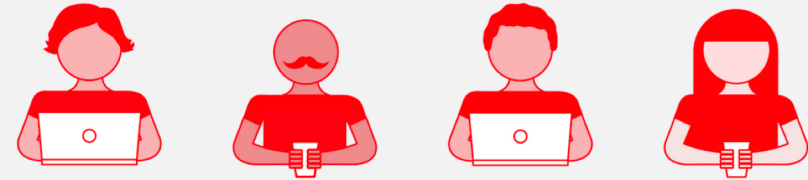
Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

January 30, 2015

FACT SHEET: President Obama's Precision Medicine Initiative

Building on President Obama's announcement in his State of the Union Address, today the Administration is unveiling details about the Precision Medicine Initiative, a bold new research effort to revolutionize how we improve health and treat disease. Launched with a \$215 million investment in the President's 2016 Budget, the Precision Medicine Initiative will pioneer a new model of patient-powered research that promises to accelerate biomedical discoveries and provide clinicians with new tools, knowledge, and therapies to select which treatments will work best for which patients.



Crisis Text Line

Text from anywhere in the USA to text with a trained Crisis Counselor.

Every texter is connected with a Crisis Counselor, a real-life human being trained to bring texters from a hot moment to a cool calm through active listening and collaborative problem solving. All of Crisis Text Line's Crisis Counselors are volunteers, donating their time to helping people in crisis.

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them. For example, the data shows the most effective conversations are between 45 and 60 messages. Or, if a texter messages in with the word "ibuprofen" they are 16 times more likely to be actively suicidal ("bridge" is 8 times and "tonight" is 3 times) and the crisis counselors can immediately begin a risk assessment to help de-escalate the texter.

**What makes the social score
and the crisis score
ethically different?**

Or are they the same thing?

AVOID MANIPULATION

Think about people

Think about autonomy

You shall not live on data alone

Bias

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Predictim Claims Its AI Can Flag 'Risky' Babysitters. So I Tried It on the People Who Watch My Kids.



Brian Merchant

12/06/18 3:57pm • Filed to: AUTOMATON



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At issue is the fact that I've used Predictim to scan a handful of people I very much trust with my own son. Our actual babysitter, Kianah Stover, returned a ranking of "Moderate Risk" (3 out of 5) for "Disrespectfulness" for what appear to me to be innocuous Twitter jokes. She returned a worse ranking than a friend I also tested who routinely spews vulgarities, in fact. She's black, and he's white.

I tell them I am sure that they don't have a 'Do Racism' button on their program's dashboard, but wonder if systemic bias could nonetheless have entered into their datasets. Parsa says, "I absolutely agree that it's not perfect, it could be biased, it could flag things that are not really supposed to be flagged, and that's why we added the human review." But the human review let these results stand.



Kianah Jay

Scan completed on: November 27, 2018

Summary



- Bullying / Harassment: 2
- Disrespectful Attitude: 3
- Explicit Content: 1
- Drug Abuse: 1

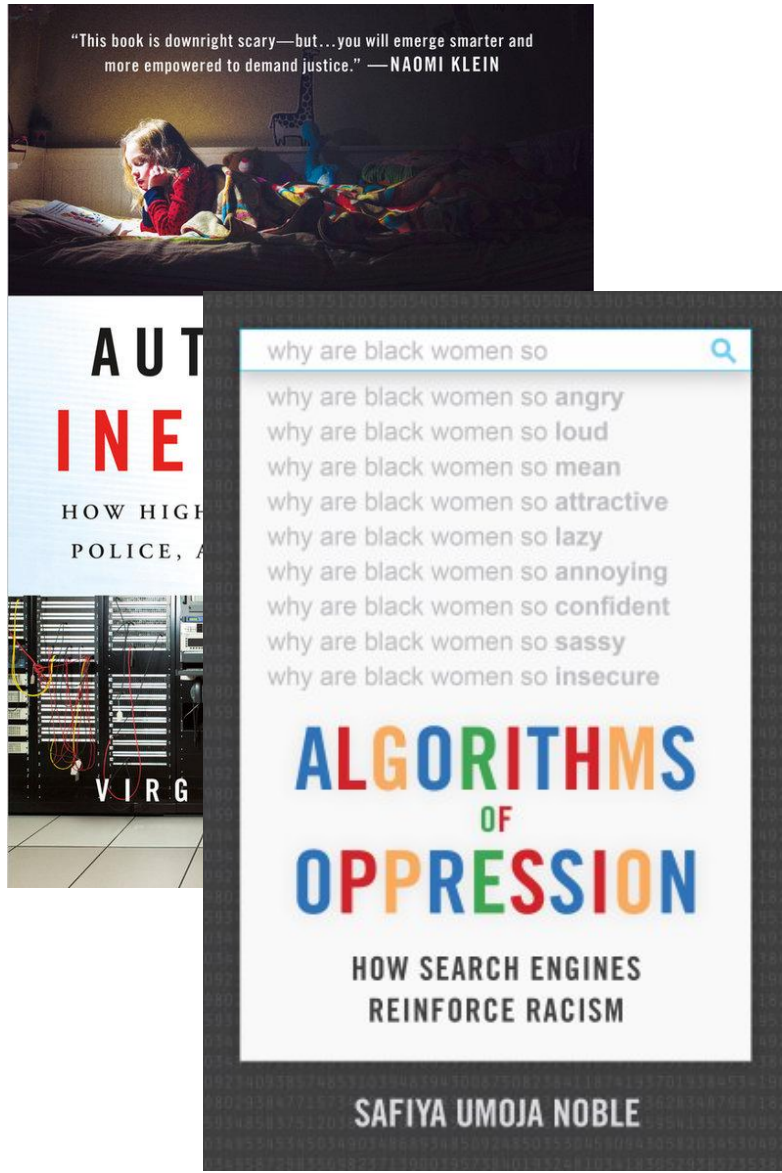
Report Summary

Initiate A New Scan

Bullying / Harassment:	Low Risk	+
Disrespectful Attitude:	Moderate Risk	+



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BSpAWkQLIgM>



After an audit of the algorithm, the resume screening company found that the algorithm found two factors to be most indicative of job performance: their name was Jared, and whether they played high school lacrosse. Girouard's client did not use the tool.

Algorithms sold to courts across the United States have been crunching those numbers since 2000. And they did so without much oversight or criticism, until *ProPublica* released an investigation showing the bias of one particular system against black defendants. The algorithm, called COMPAS, could single out those who would go on to reoffend with roughly the same accuracy for each race. But it guessed wrong about twice as often for black people. COMPAS mislabeled a person who *didn't* go on to reoffend as "high risk" almost twice as often for those individuals. And COMPAS also mistakenly assigned a higher number of "low risk" labels to white convicts who went on to commit more crimes. So the system essentially demonizes black offenders while simultaneously giving white criminals the benefit of the doubt.

FIGHT THE ALGORITHMS

Incognito / private windows

adssettings.google.com

AVOID BIAS

**Make sure your sample
is representative**

Think about theory

**Remember that no data, models,
or algorithms are neutral**

CURIOSITY

How do I keep learning R?

What class should I take next?

What book should I read next?

You don't learn R

You learn how to do things in R



Katie Mack

@AstroKatie

Following



A surprisingly large part of having expertise in a topic is not so much knowing everything about it but learning the language and sources well enough to be extremely efficient in google searches.

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LIVED THROUGH THE GOLDEN AGE OF TRAINED CHICKENS

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FAMILY

I'm a Developer. I Won't Teach My Kids to Code, and Neither Should You.

By JOE MORGAN

DEC 06, 2018 • 5:55 AM

Every step—precisely measuring ingredients, gauging mixed dough for smoothness and consistency, placing precision cuts to minimize waste—taught him something about quality. It's hard to teach the difference between merely executing steps, such as following a recipe, and doing something well. It can only be passed on through feel and experience. And every time you involve your kids when you work on something you value, you are teaching them how to do things well. You are preparing them to write code.

But you're not only teaching them that. You're teaching them the world is full of interesting things to discover. You're showing them how to be passionate and look for that ephemeral sense of quality in everything they do. The best part is that even if they don't become coders—most shouldn't and won't—the same skills can be used in nearly any career, in every hobby, in every life. When we force kids to learn syntax, we reinforce the idea that if something is not a blatantly employable skill, it's not valuable. Adults can learn syntax. Only kids can learn to embrace curiosity. 📌

EMBRACE CURIOSITY

Find excuses to use R

(This is why I subjected you to the code-through assignment)

Dumb dinky projects

Data play time

Actual projects

2016-17

Political science (43)



Public administration and policy (41)



2017-18

Political science (11)



Public administration and policy (31)



2018-19

Political science (37)



Public administration and policy (23)

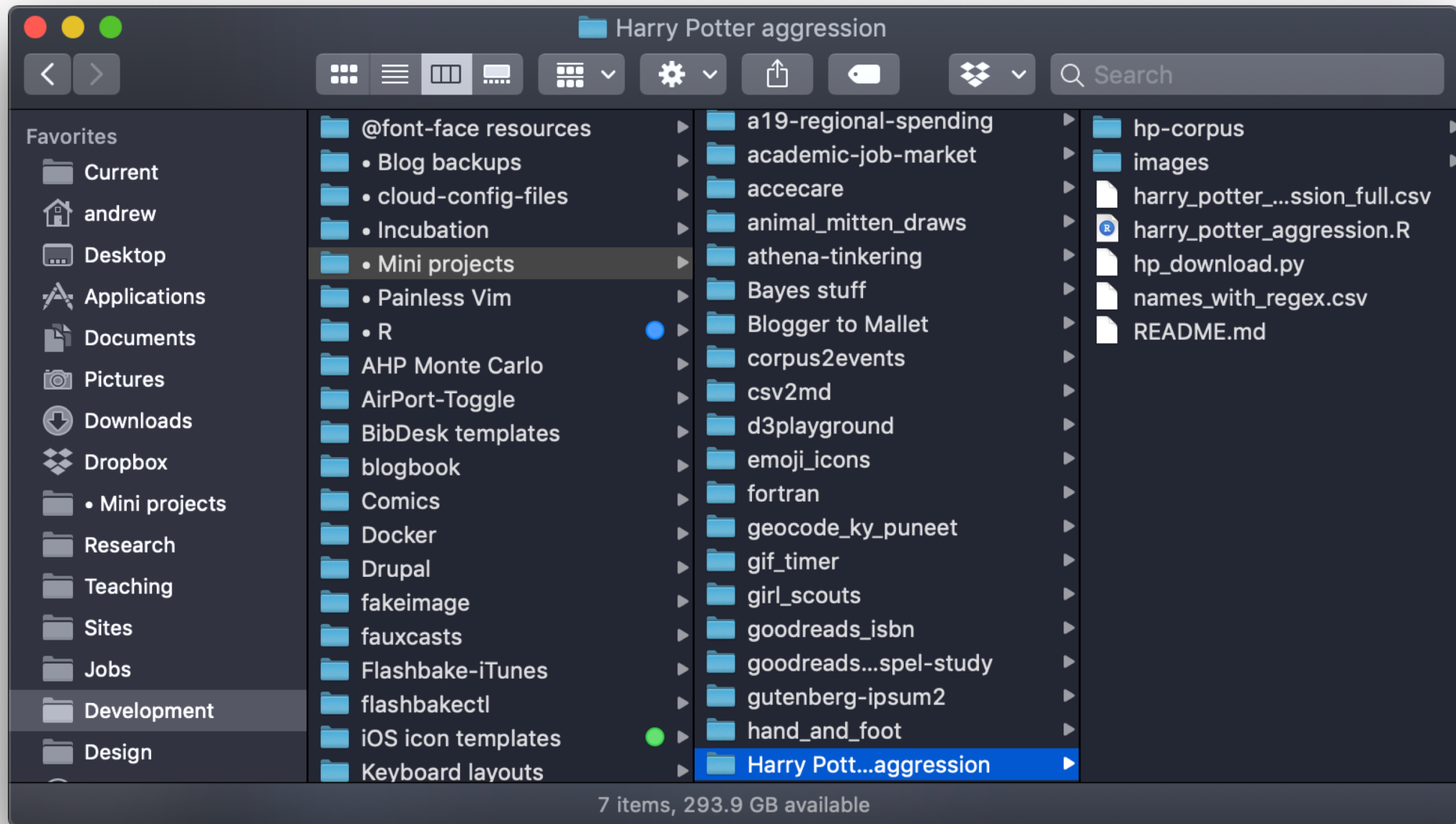


Nothing Skype, no flyout Flyout, no offer Visiting offer Tenure-track offer

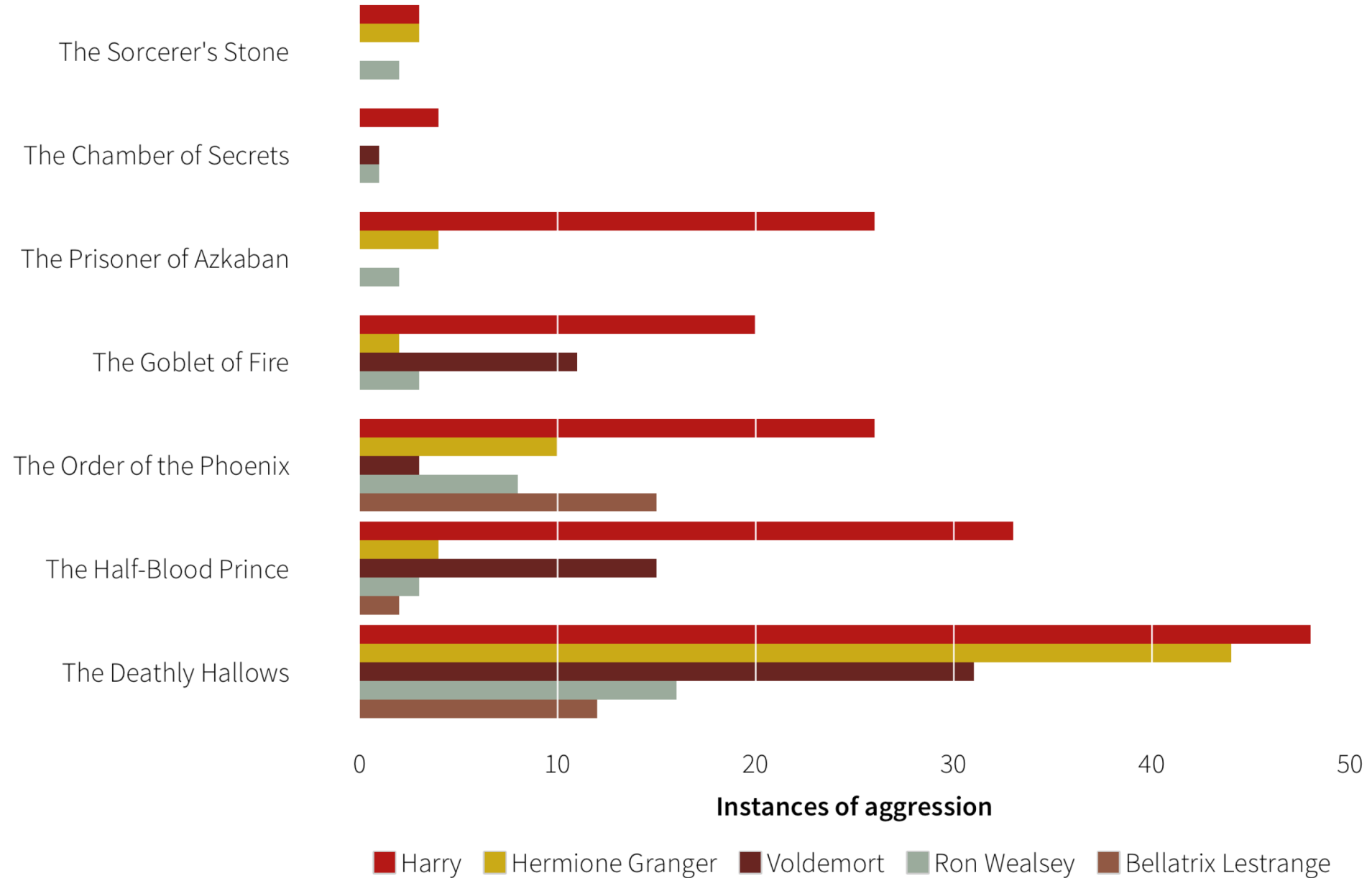
One box = one job posting



Cycle 2016-17 2017-18 2018-19

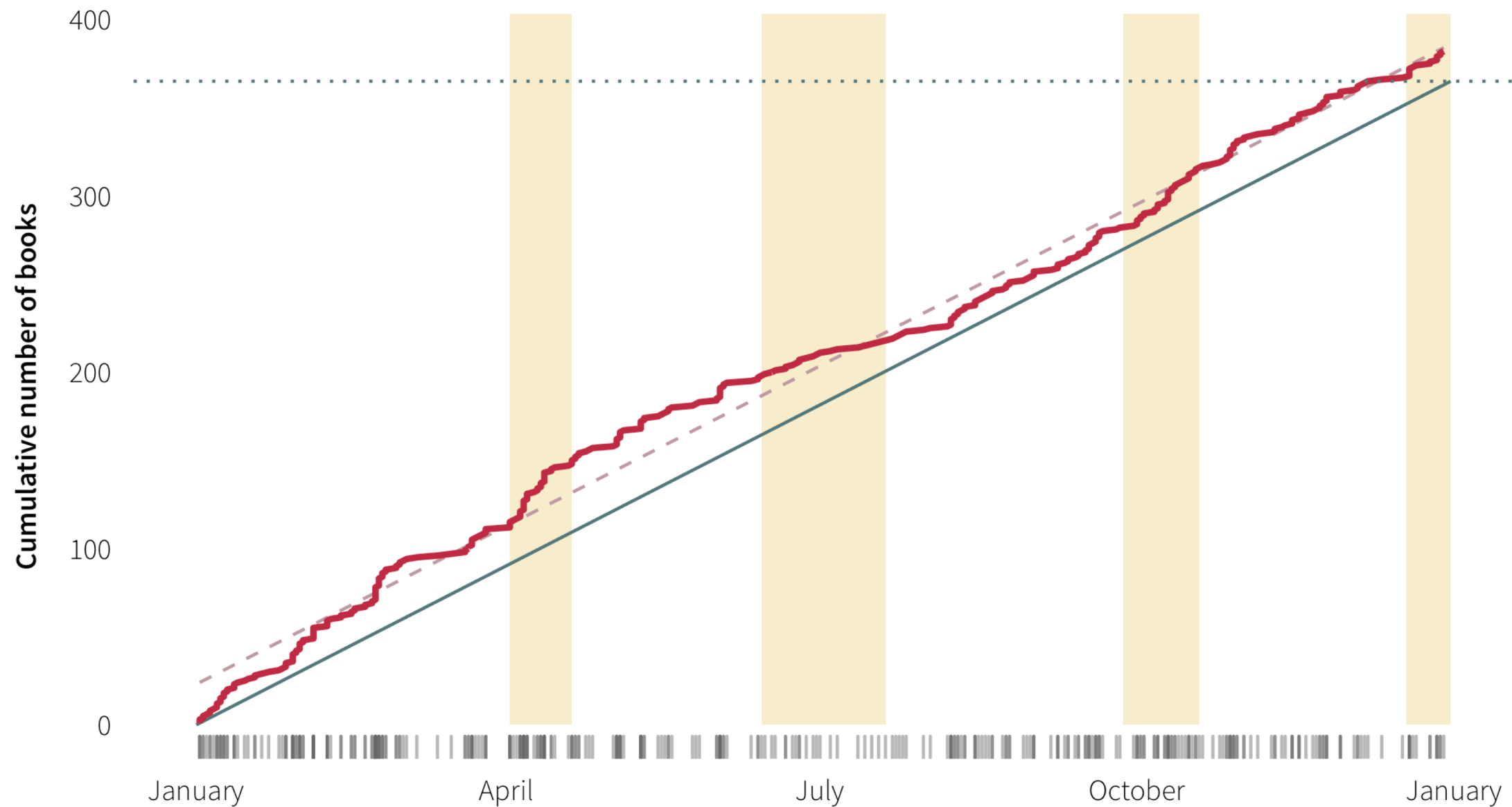


Most aggressive characters in the Harry Potter series

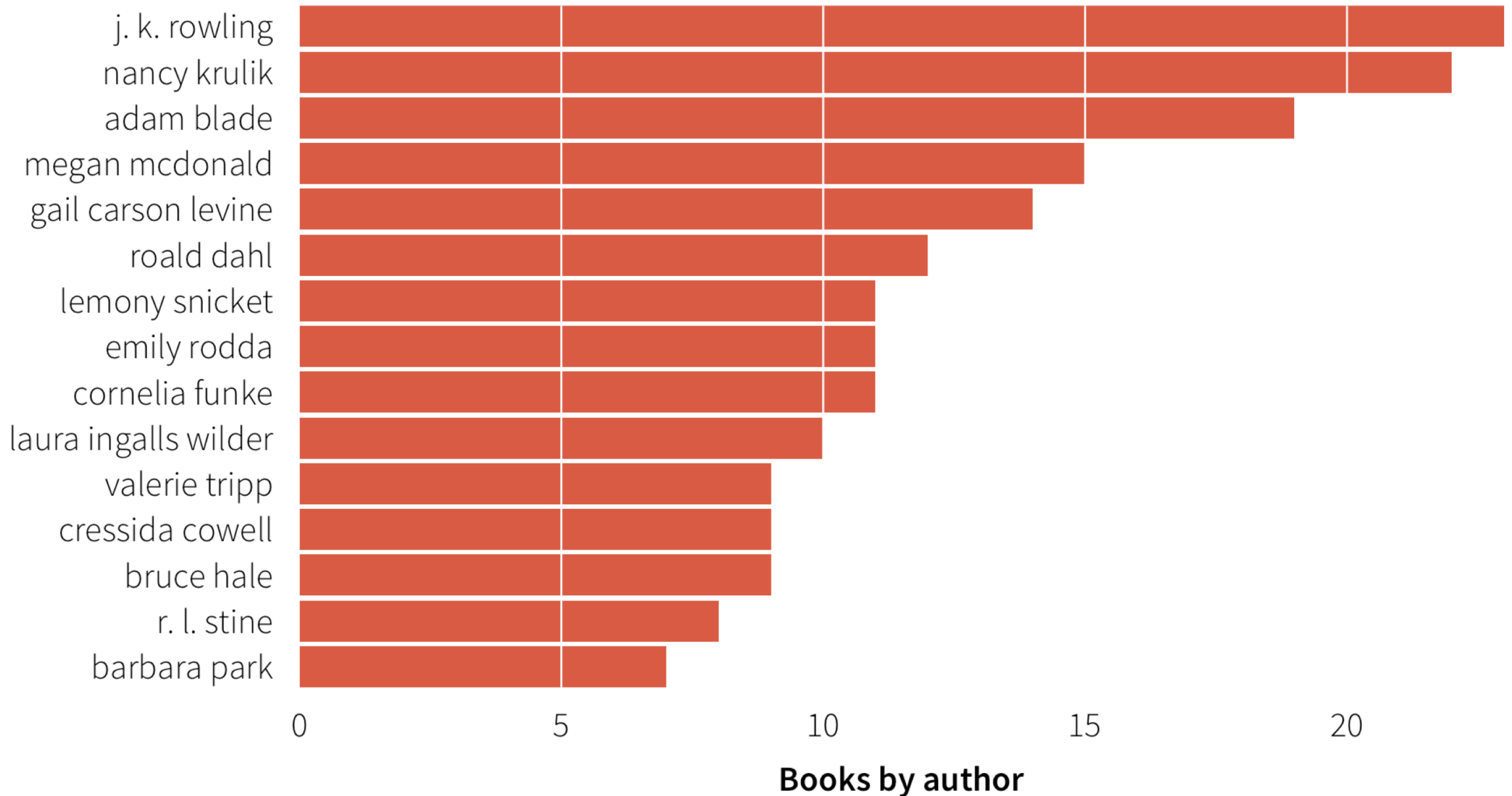


Progress toward 2014 goal

School breaks shaded in yellow

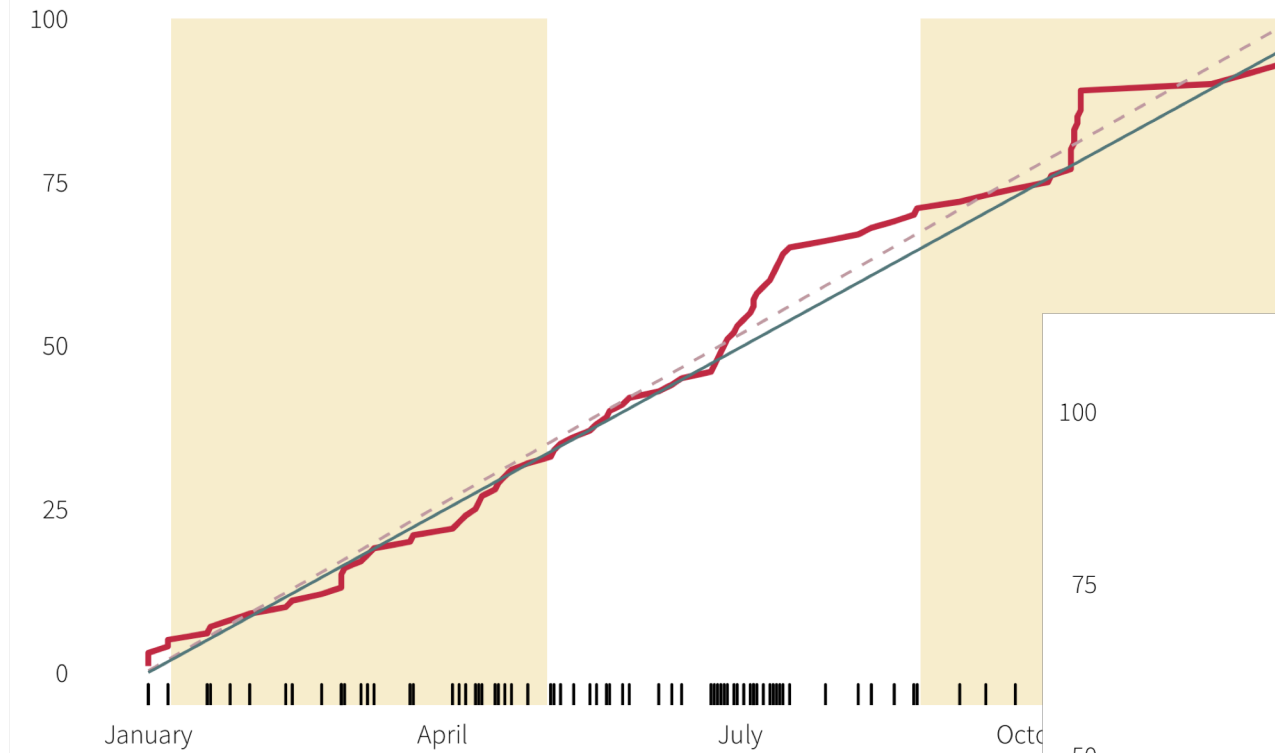


How many times Rachel read a book by each author

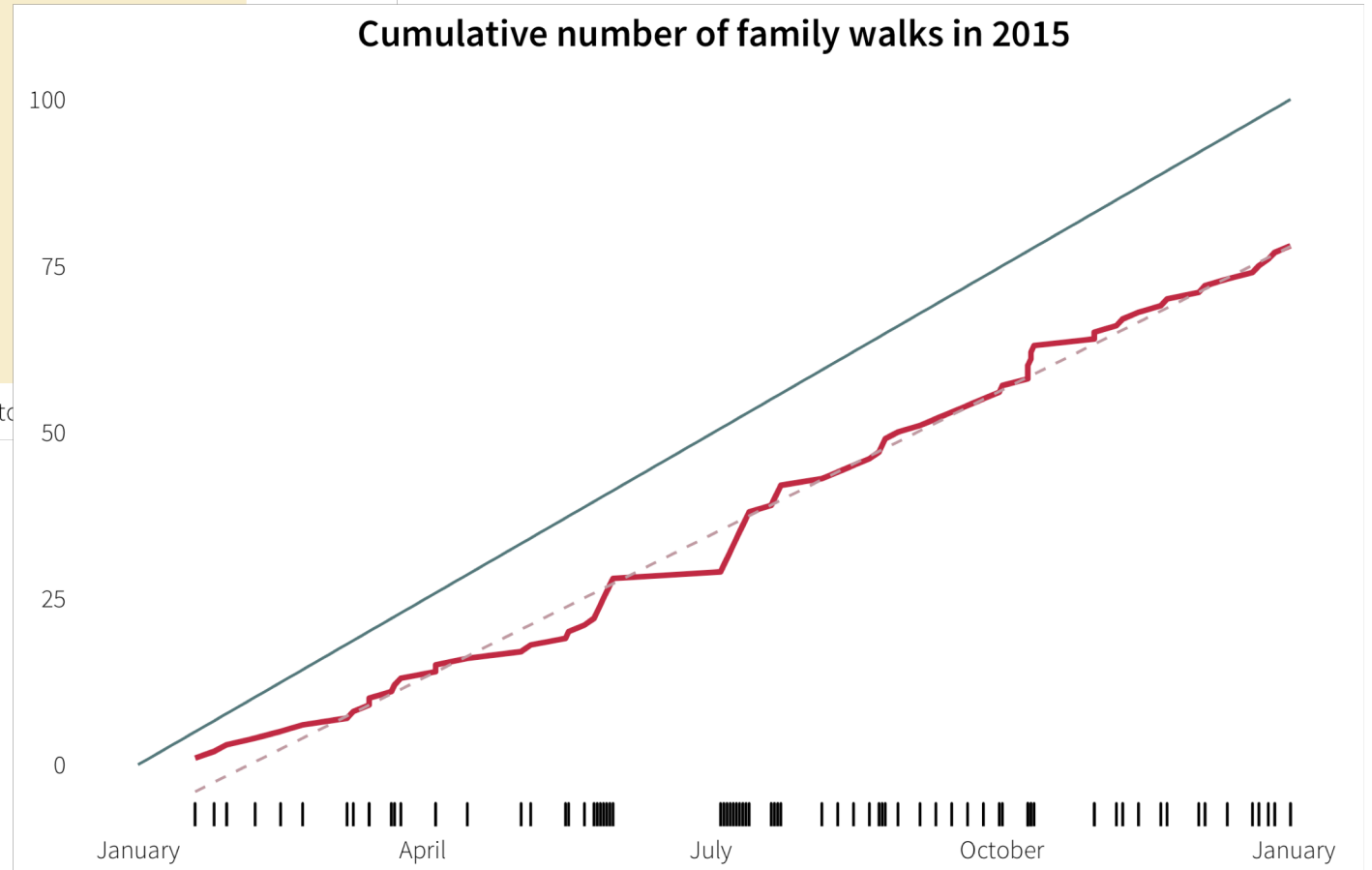


Cumulative number of family walks in 2014

Duke semesters shaded in yellow



Cumulative number of family walks in 2015



GET OUT IN PUBLIC

Share everything

GitHub + Twitter + websites

#rstats

R User Groups

SLC RUG

#rladies

**You are all expert
enough now.**

Go make stuff!