

# In a Dataset of Their Own



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# African American literary studies



# Differences between the sounds of black women poets and black women poets



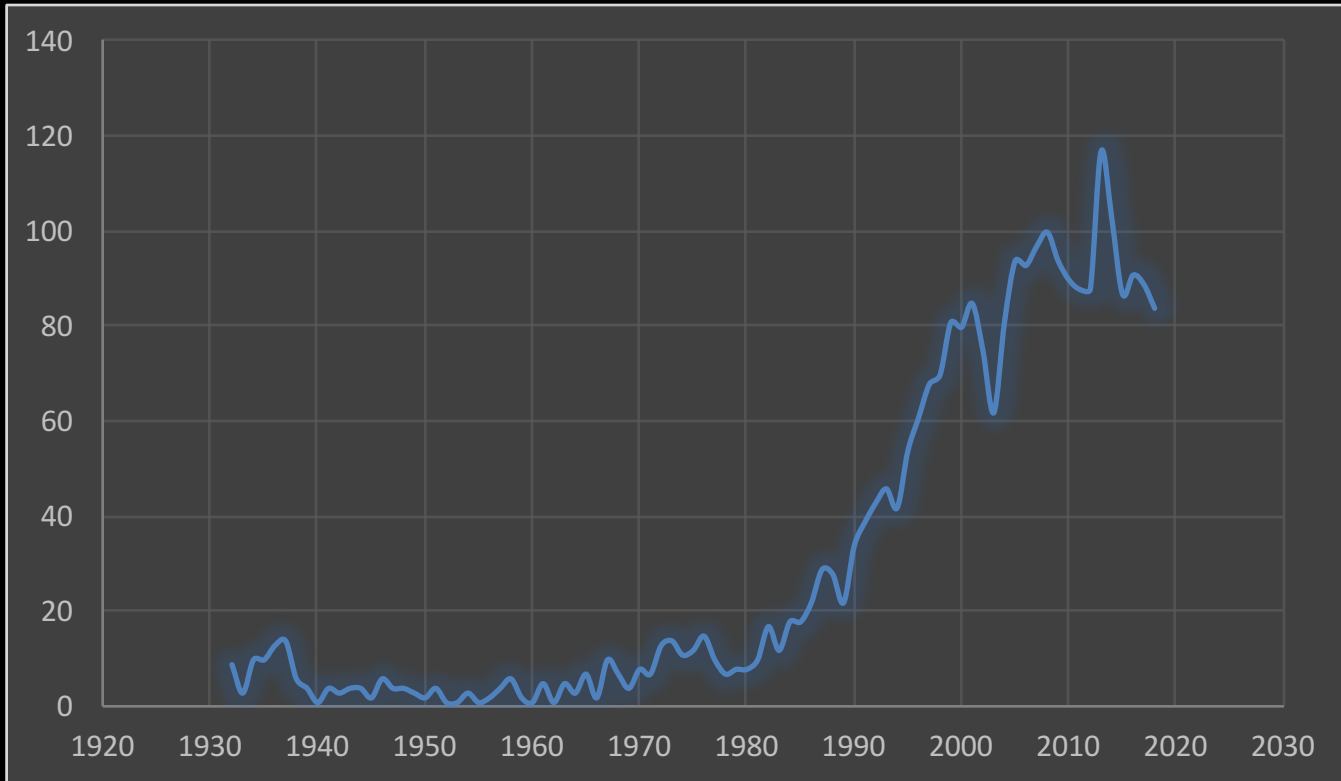


# Notes on the films

- 2,700 films, released from 1932 through 2018
- 2,175 films include only one of the 100 actors.
- 525 films include two of the 100 actors.
- 161 films include three of the 100 actors.
- 2 films -- *Avengers: Infinity War* (2018) and *Black Panther* (2018) -- include 9 of the 100 actors.



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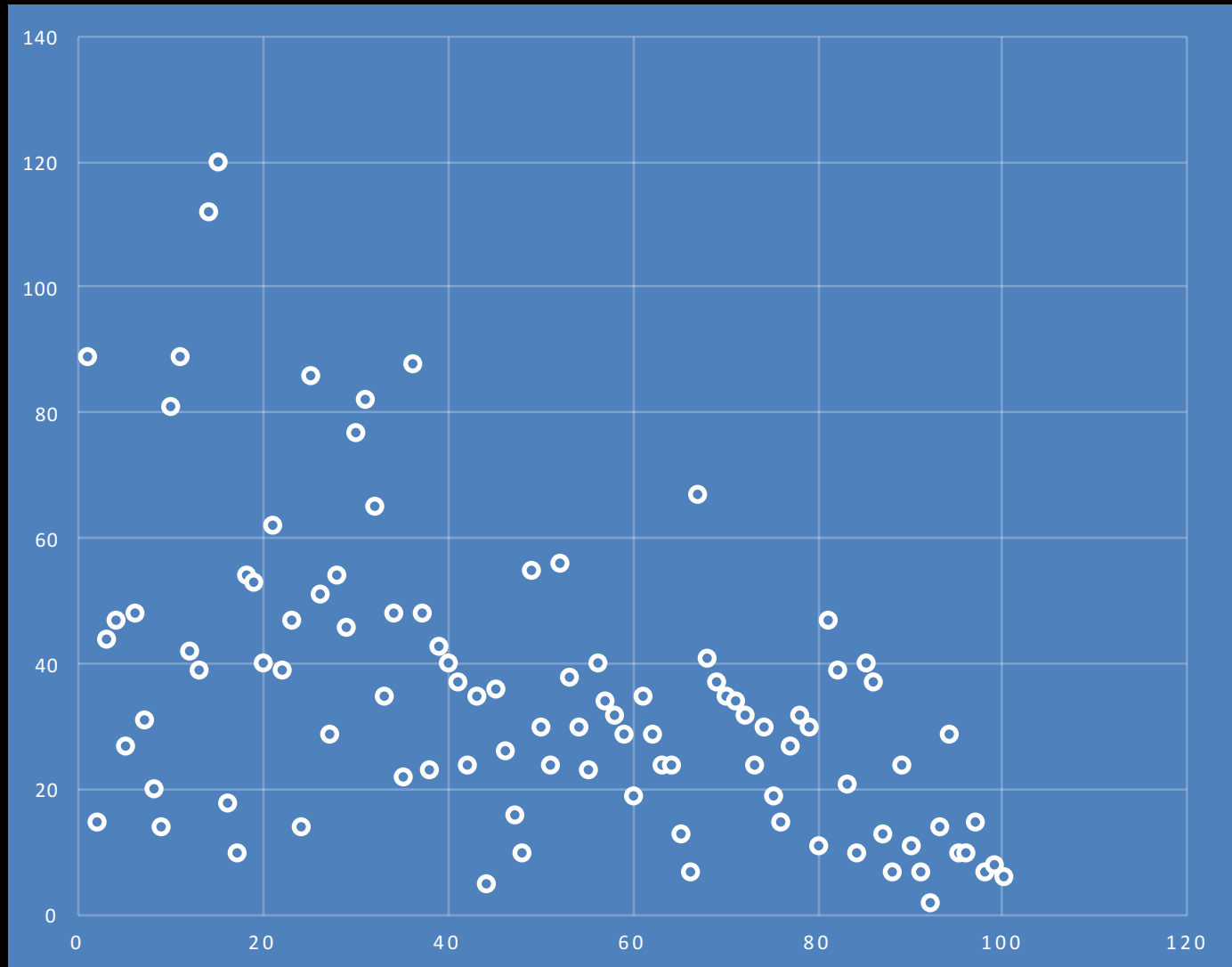
2013 has most releases – 117.

# Notes on Actors



- Largest concentration of actor birth years is from 1965 - 1975 (38 actors)
- The top 4 cities of birth: New York City (15), Los Angeles (10), Chicago (6), London (6)
- The actor with the most appearances -- Samuel L. Jackson (120)

# Actors and no. of films through 2018



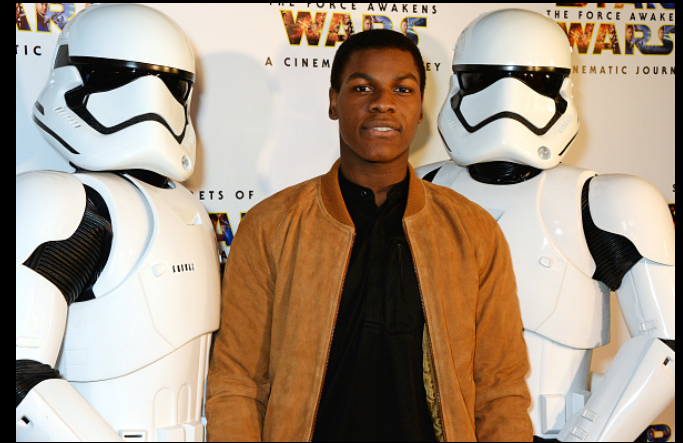
# The furious, incredible, unbreakable, Jedi Knight Samuel L. Jackson



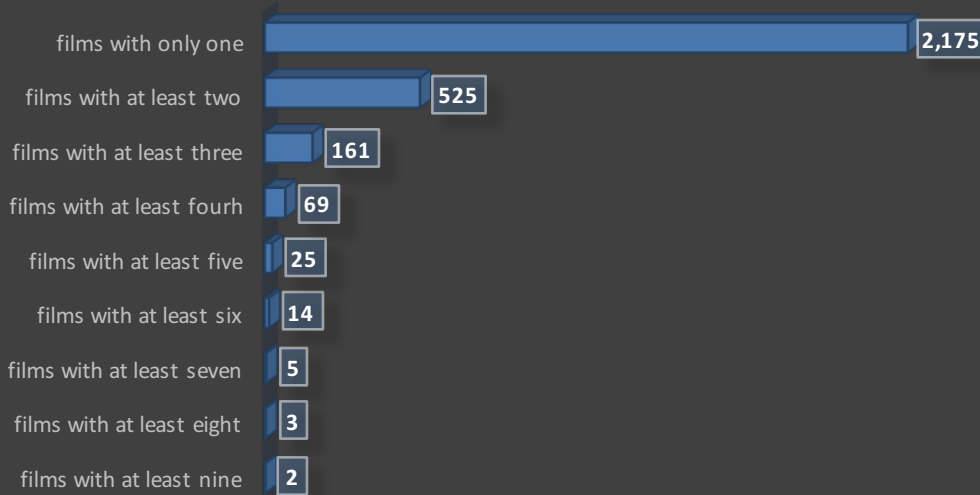


# Tokenism

“You put a n\*\*\*a in Star Wars, maybe you need two.  
And then, maybe then we'll believe you.” –Common



## NUMBER OF BLACK ACTORS



# The consequences of powerful buddies



# Diverse talent vs. limited roles





# What's next?



- Development of classroom units on the use of datasets
- Collaborate with scholars to produce data visualizations
- Extend the dataset to address additional nuances