

Capstone Project-4

Online Retail Customer Segmentation

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Introduction & Problem Statement

Introduction:-

Business all over the world are growing today. With the help of technology, they have access to a wider market and hence, a large customer base. Customer Segmentation refers to categorizing customers into different groups with similar characteristics. It can help Business focus on each customer group in different way, in order to maximize benefits for customers as well as for the business. This project is mainly deals in segmenting the customers of a online retail stores in UK.

Problem Statement:-

In this project, your task is to identify major customer segments on a transactional dataset which contain all the transactions occurring between 01/12/2010 and 09/12/2011 for a UK based and registered non-store online retail. The company mainly sells unique all-occasion Gifts. Many customers of the company are wholesalers.

Objective

1. The Main objective of our project is to segment customers into different groups on the basis of their similarities in same group and difference in other group.
2. The member of one group of cluster is different from other cluster on the basis of their properties and nature.

Data Summary

Understanding the attributes of the dataset better:

This dataset contains transactional data of an online retail store. It contains 541,909 rows and 8 columns.

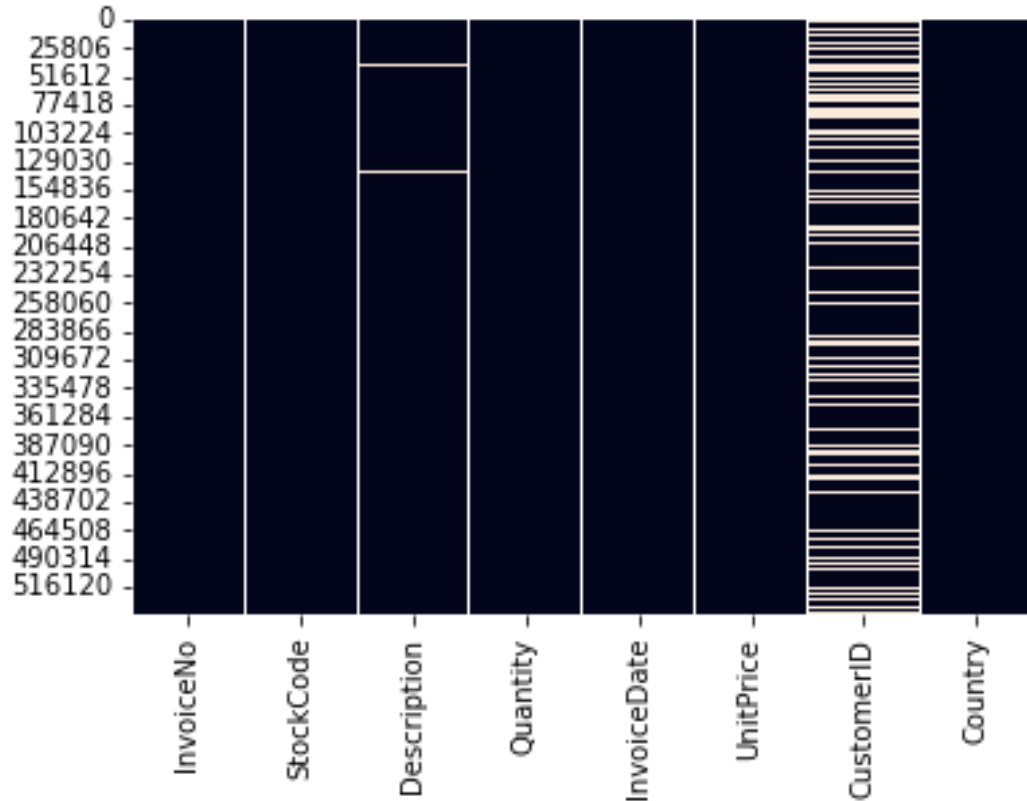
- **InvoiceNo(Invoice Number):** Nominal, a 6-digit integral number uniquely assigned to each transaction. If code starts with letter 'c', it indicates a cancellation.
- **StockCode:** Product(item) code (Nominal), a 5-digit integral number uniquely assigned to each distinct product.
- **Description:** Product (item) name, (Nominal).
- **Quantity:** The quantities of each product(item) per transaction(Numeric).
- **InvoiceDate:** Invoice date and time(Numeric), the day and time when each transaction was generated.
- **Unit Price:** Unit price(Numeric), Product price per unit in sterling.
- **CustomerID:** Customer number(Nominal), a 5-digit integral number uniquely assigned to each customer.
- **Country:** Country name(Nominal), the name of country where customer resides.

Data Cleaning

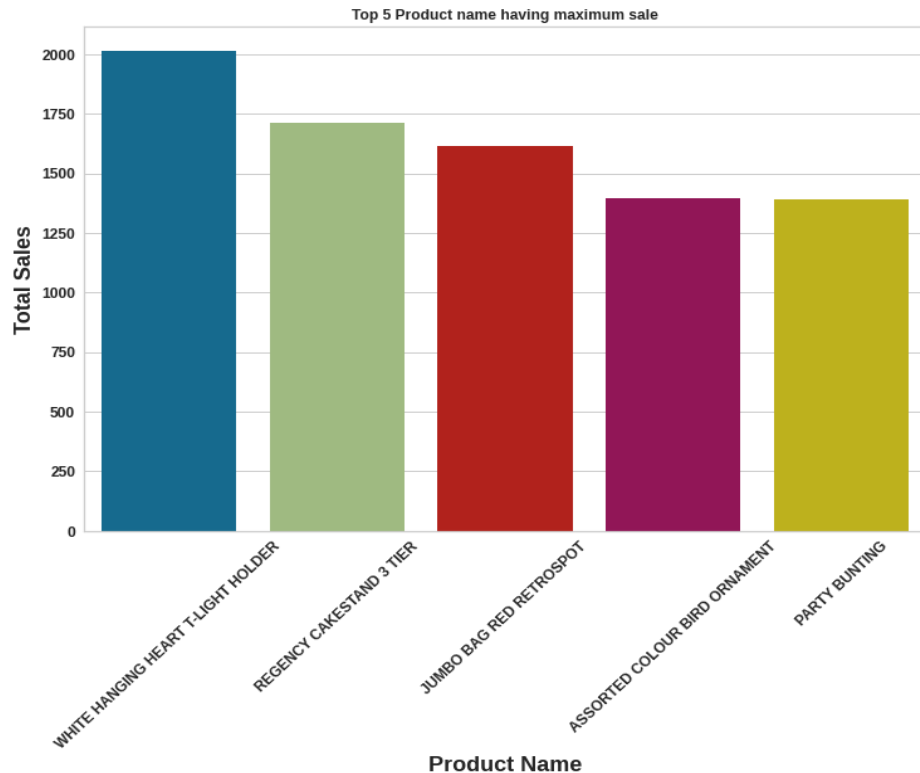
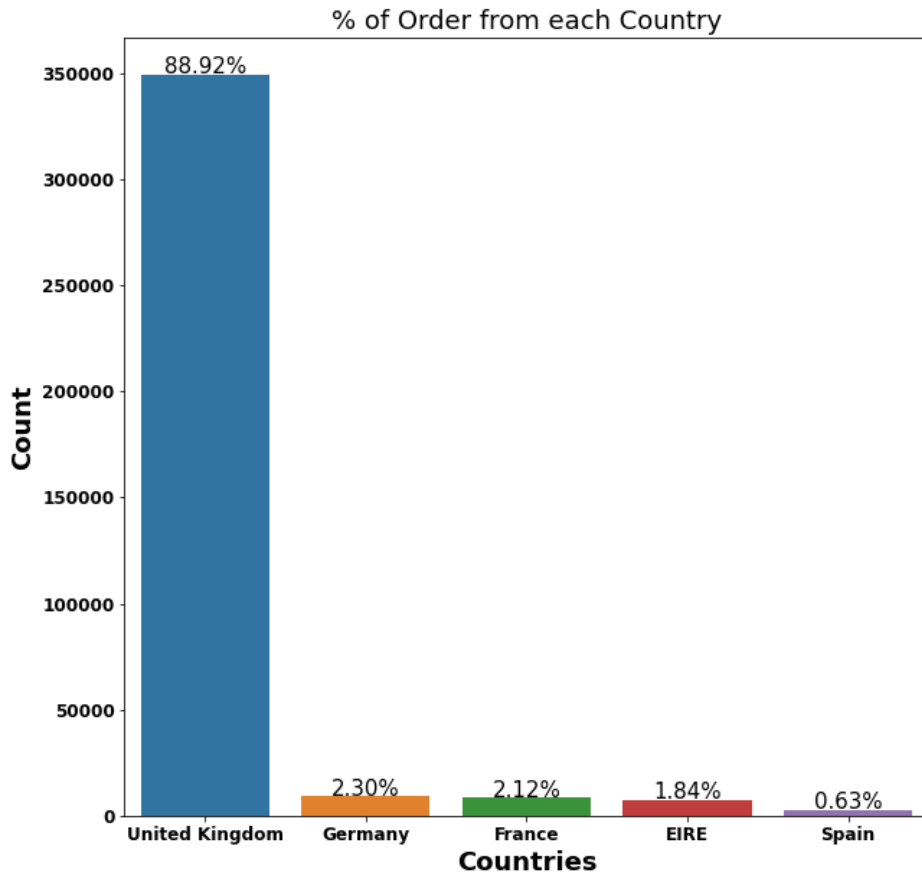
- There are null values present in the 'CustomerID' and 'Description' column. These have to be dropped as there is no way of filling them strategically.
- We need to remove the cancelled order exist in the dataset.
- Date, Month and Year are extracted from the 'InvoiceDate' column. We have created new column for Date, Month and Year.
- Outliers in the 'Quantity' and 'Unit Price' columns have been removed.
- We have removed some duplicate values.

Data Cleaning(Continued...)

- Heat map to show null values in 'Description' and 'CustomerID' column.

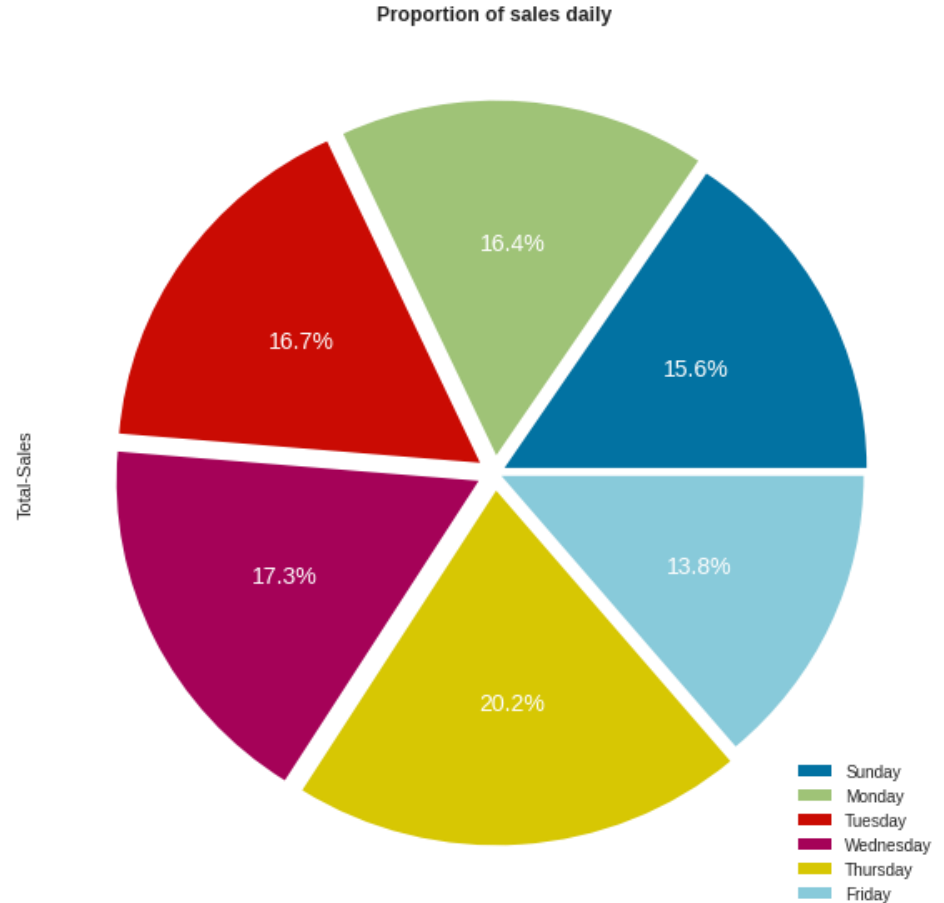


Exploratory Data Analysis(EDA)

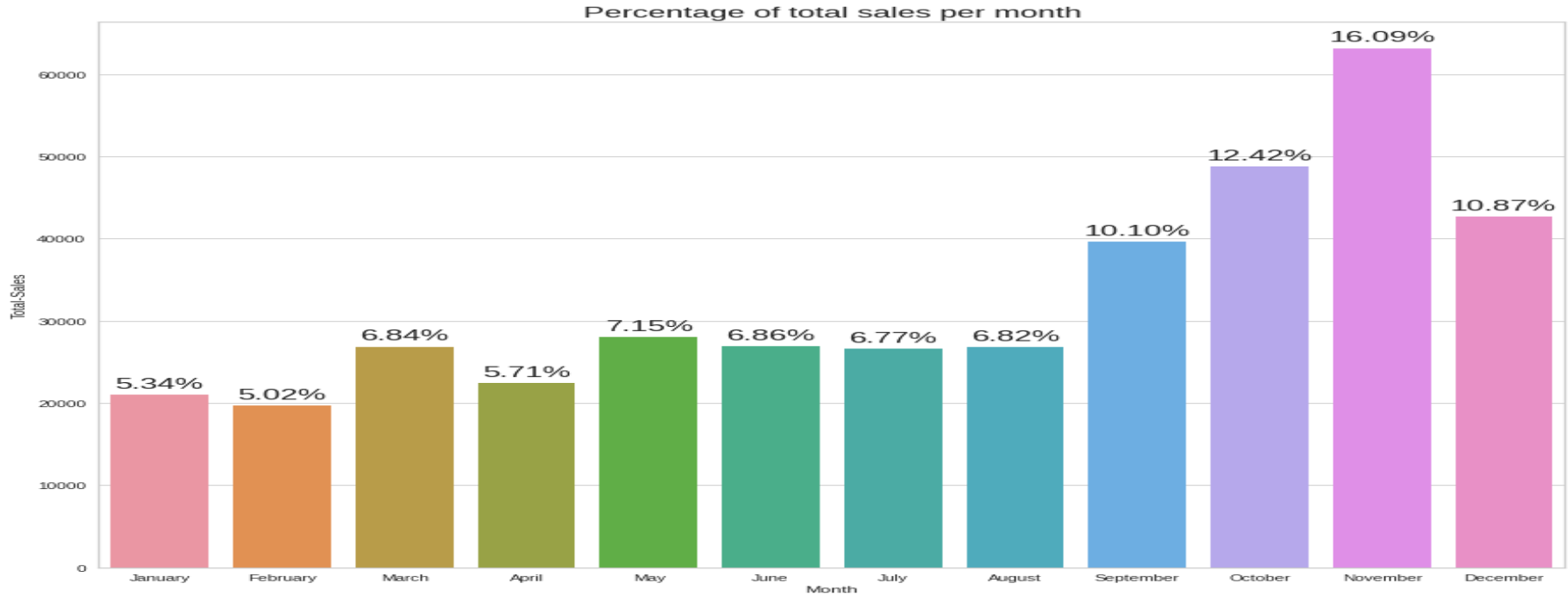


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- There is no sale on Saturday.
- Thursday have highest sale followed by Wednesday and Tuesday.



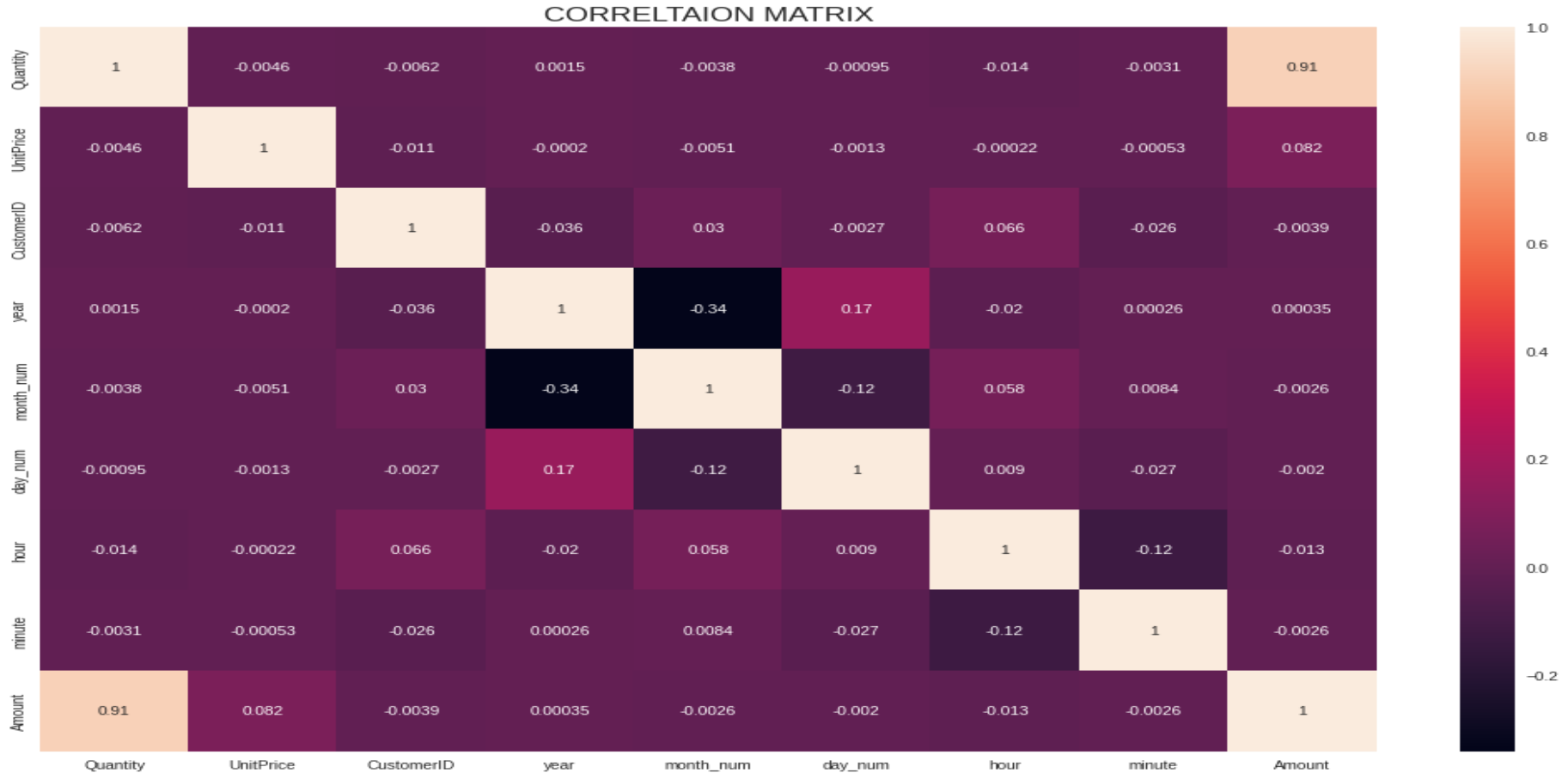
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- November have highest sale followed by October and December.
- February have least sale.

Heat Map for whole dataframe

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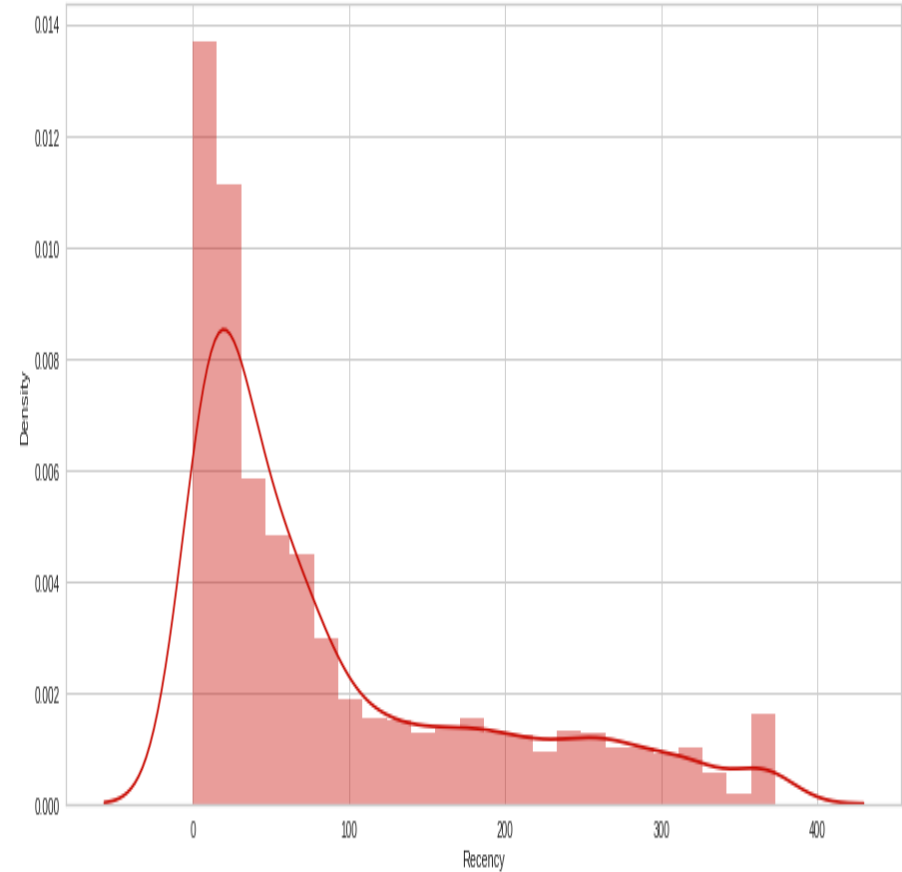
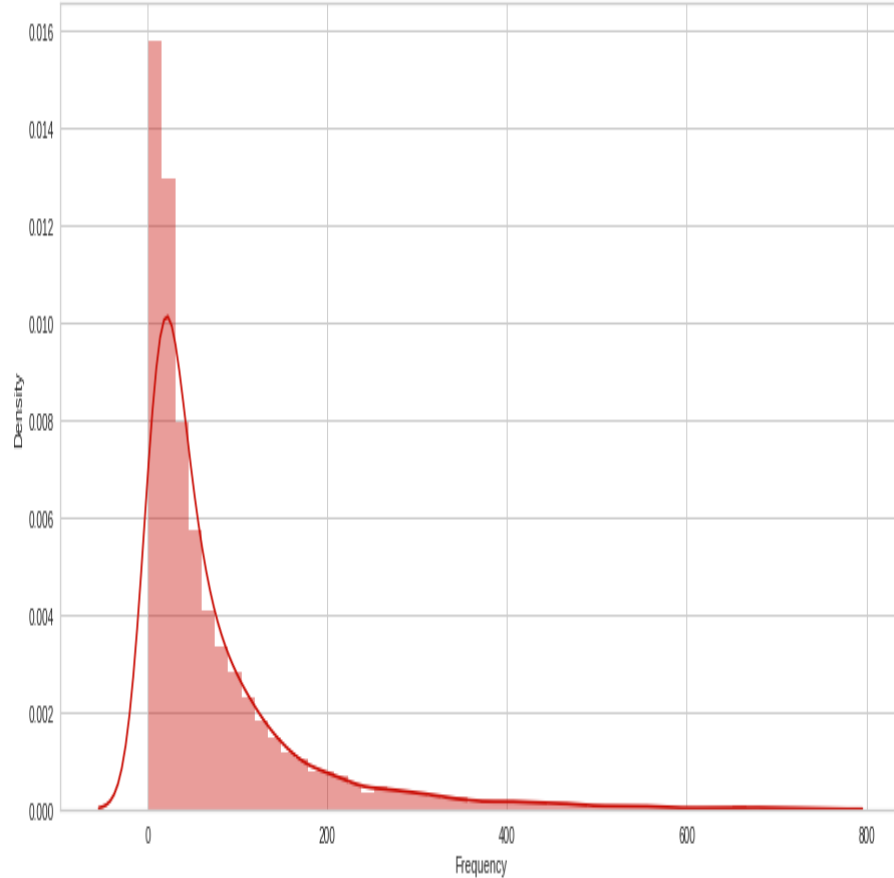


Data Transformation



- In this section, a Recency ,Frequency , and Monetary(RFM) analysis is done.
- Recency signifies the days since order , frequency signifies the number of times the customer is been billed and monetary signifies the sales each customer has provided.
- It can be seen that, frequency and monetary variables have a linear trend and frequency of orders have been high recently.
- The RFM dataframe is grouped on the basis of Customer ID.The data now contains 4192 rows or customers.
- The ranges in the data differ , hence , the data is also scaled using a Standard Scaler.

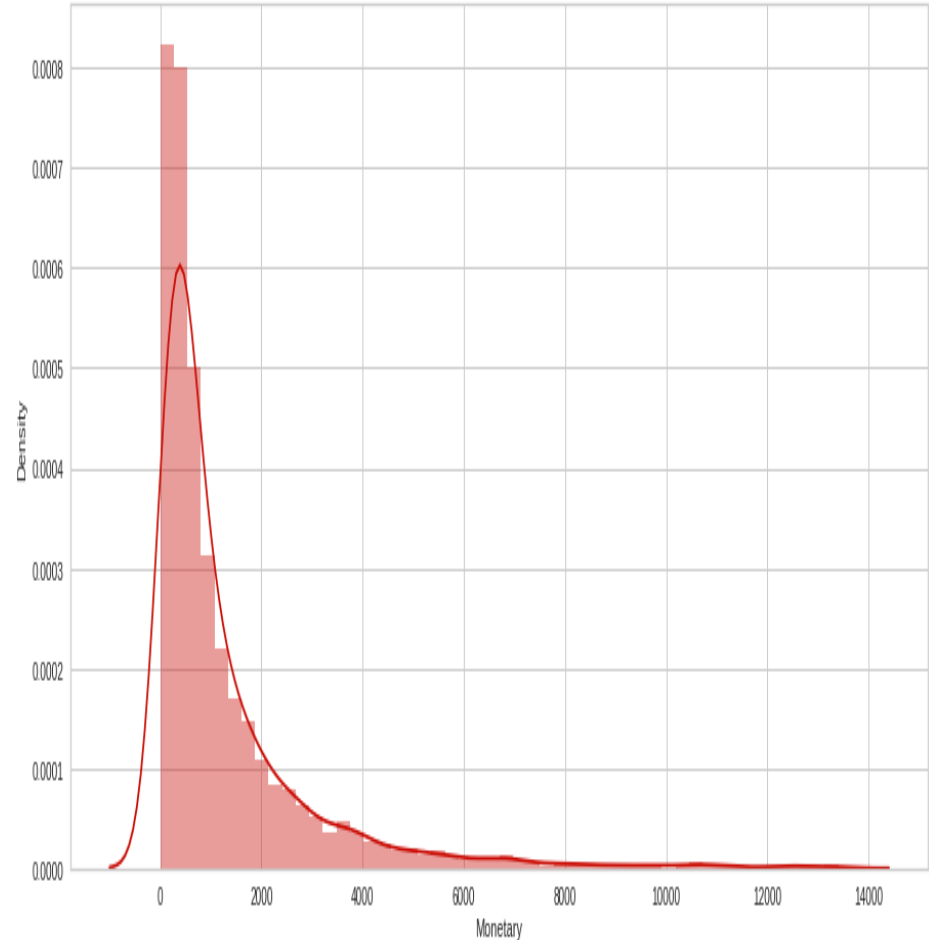
Distribution plot for Recency , Frequency



Distribution plot for Monetary

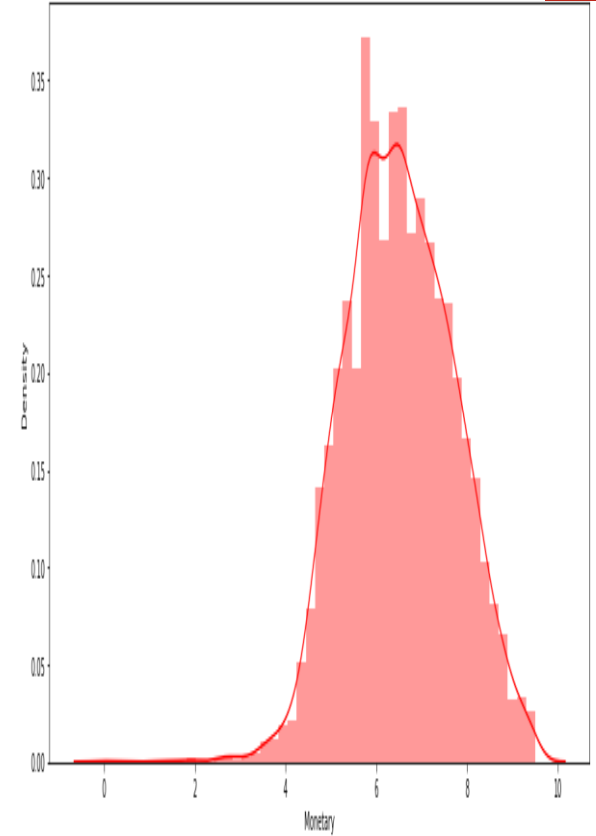
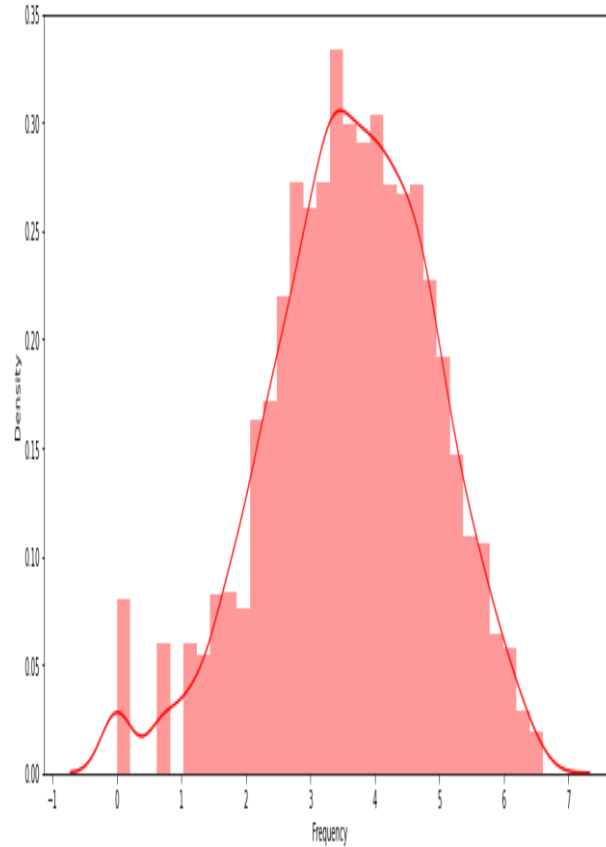
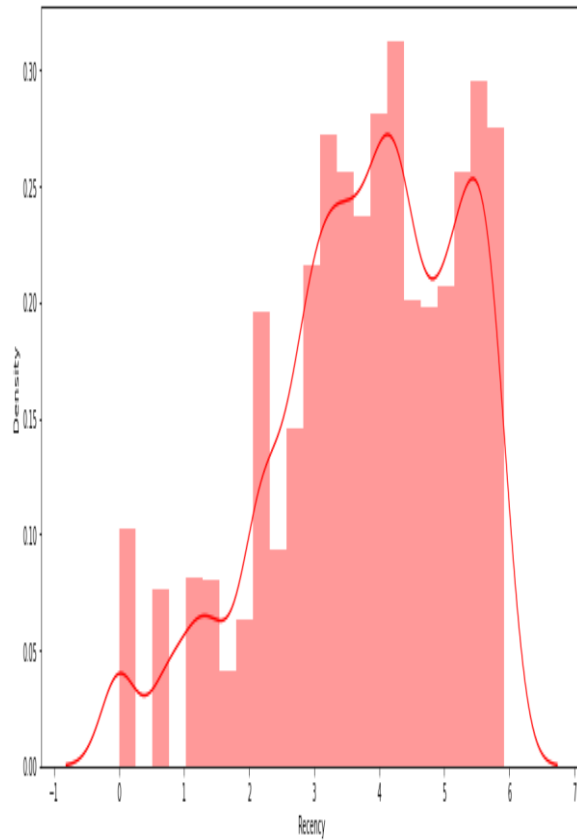
From all distribution plot, we conclude that:

- All the distplot are right skewed.
- From recency distplot , we can say that there are huge no. of customers who are purchasing the product frequently.
- Distplot are not a normal distribution.

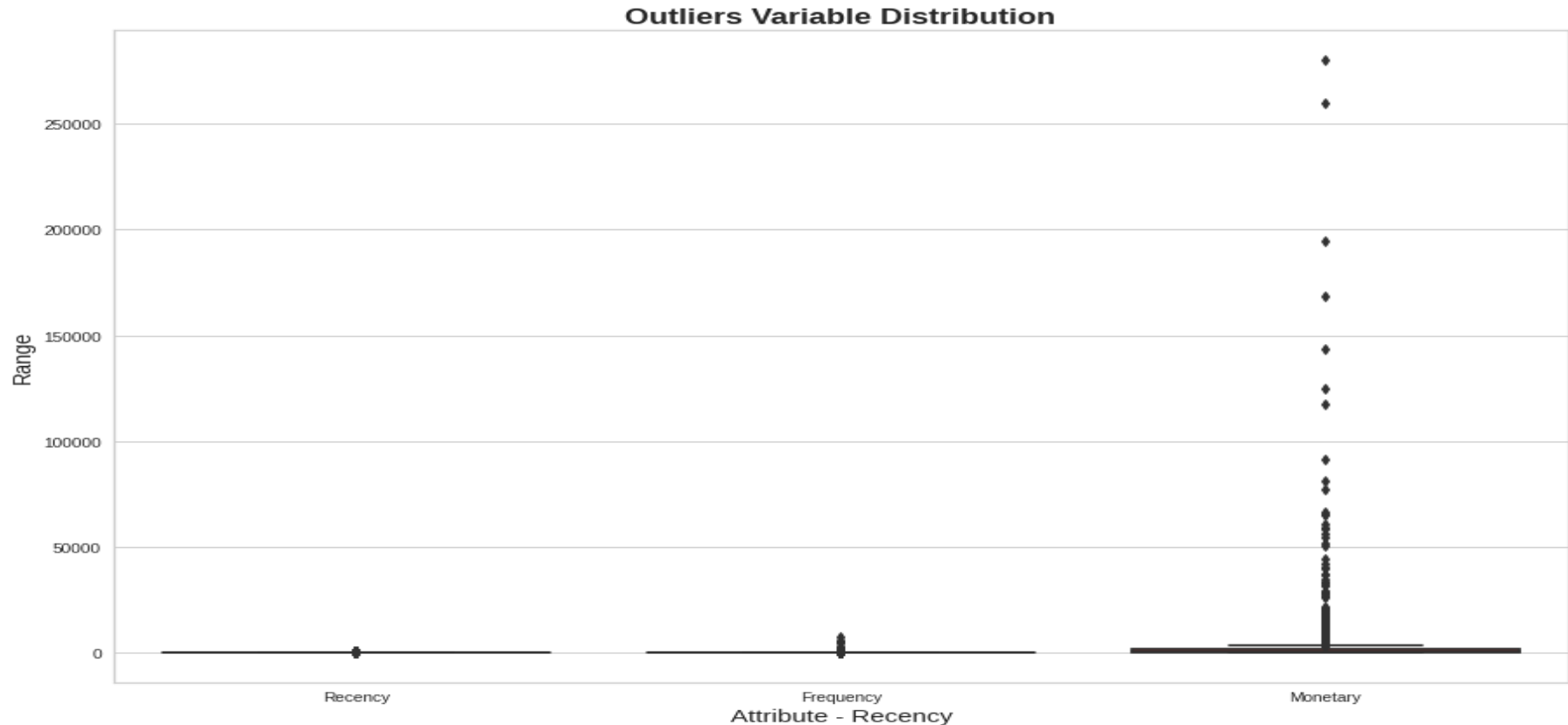


Plot after applying Log Transformation

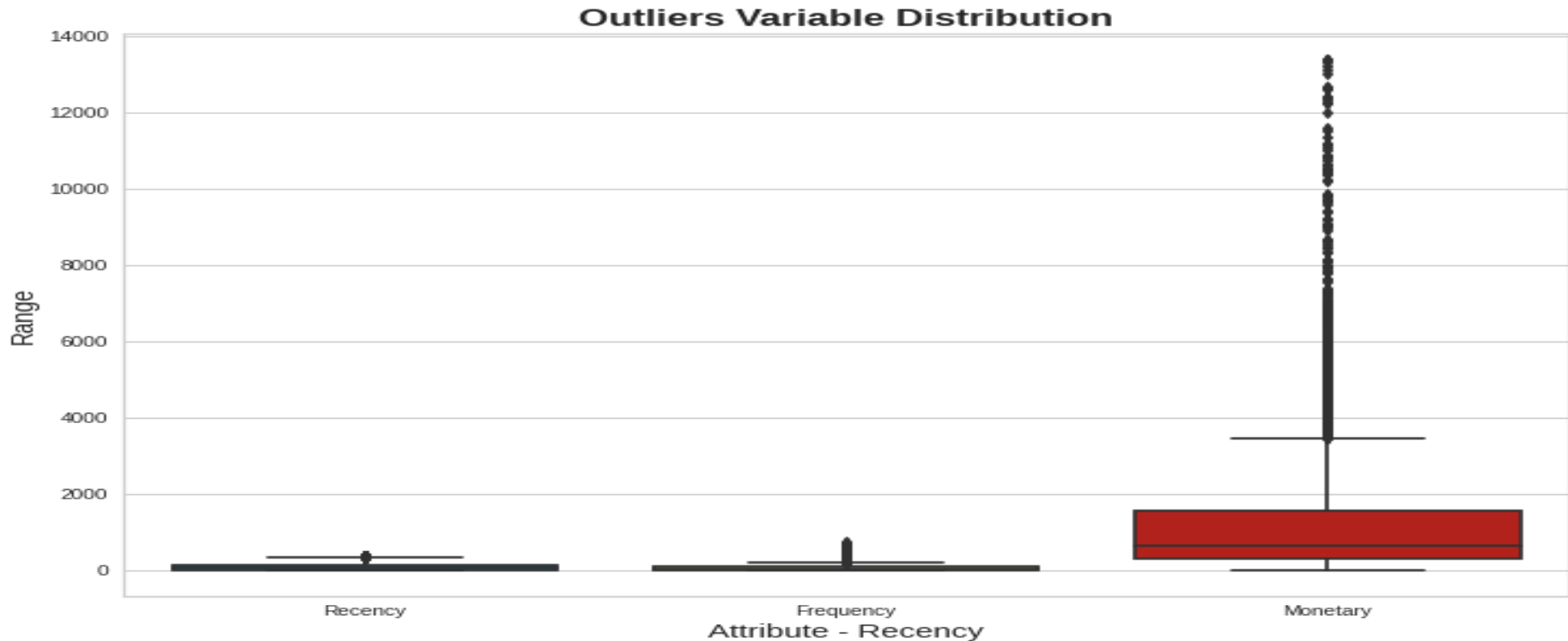
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Checking outliers using box plot in recency , frequency and monetary values



After applying IQR box plot for recency , frequency and monetary values



- Even after applying Inter-Quartile Range method we can say that outliers have not been removed at all.

K-Means Clustering Model



- K-Means algorithm is used to cluster the customers into different segments.
- To identify optimal no. of clusters, we have used the Elbow method and Silhouette analysis.
- Find the silhouette score and get optimal clusters
- With both the method 2 is optimal no. of cluster.
- Below is the table to show silhouette score for different clusters.
- We have found that when no. of cluster is 2 and silhouette score is maximum i.e. 0.39408

For n_clusters = 2 The average silhouette_score is : 0.39408103379054493

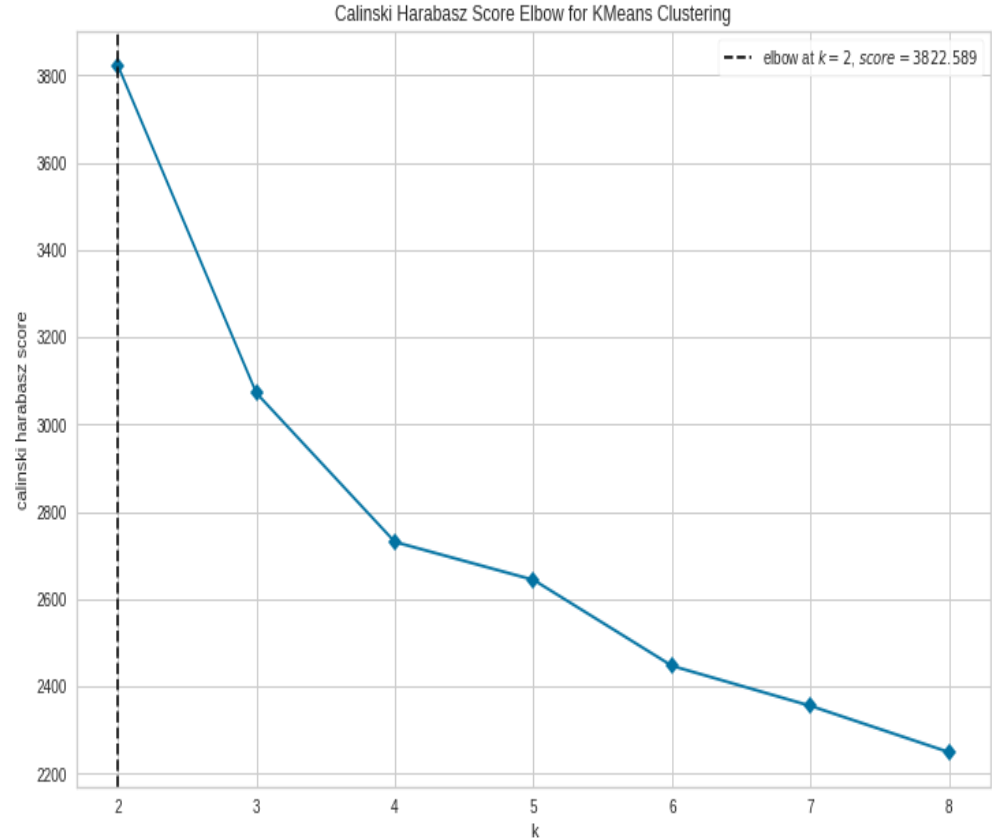
For n_clusters = 3 The average silhouette_score is : 0.29475936365115435

For n_clusters = 4 The average silhouette_score is : 0.2975051811313832

For n_clusters = 5 The average silhouette_score is : 0.28291048922517165

Elbow method

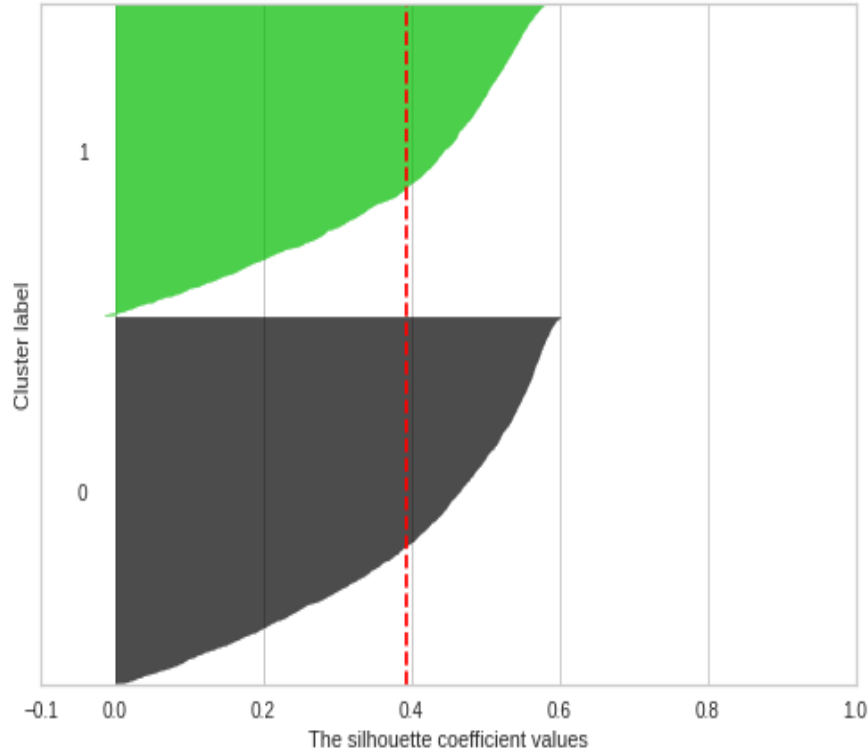
- This graph is line plot to find the optimal no. of cluster using elbow method.
- The no. of optimal clusters is 2.



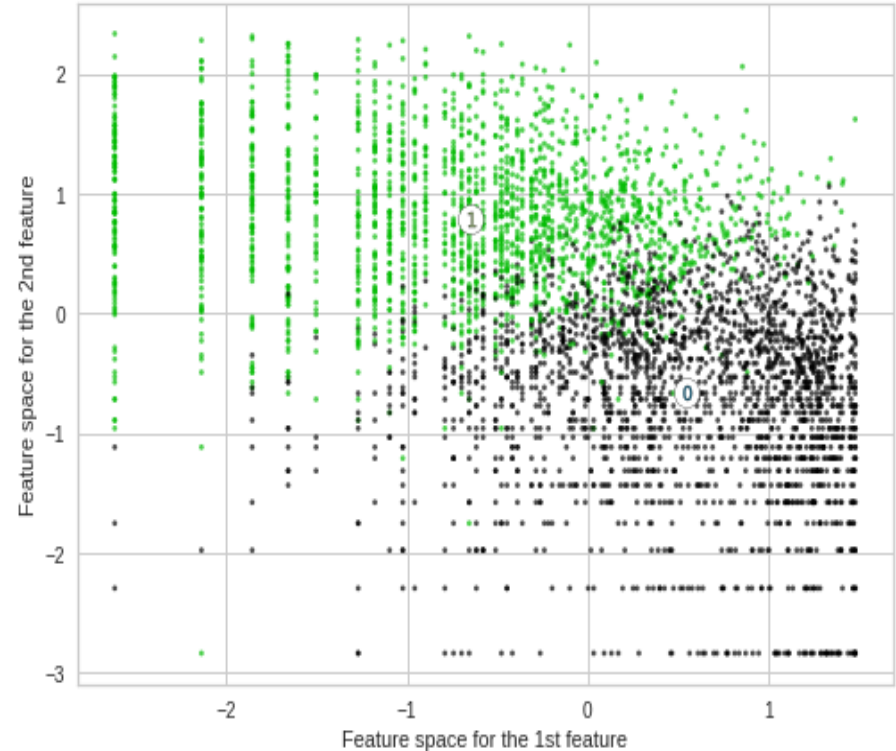
Silhouette Analysis(with optimal no. of clusters)

Silhouette analysis for KMeans clustering on sample data with $n_clusters = 2$

The silhouette plot for the various clusters.



The visualization of the clustered data.



Cluster Profiling

	Recency	Frequency	Monetary	R	F	M	RFMScore	Recency_log	Frequency_log	Monetary_log
Cluster										
0	143.480694	23.199566	411.099827	3.101518	3.307592	3.278525	9.687636	4.570699	2.775255	5.724485
1	34.482829	137.630446	2365.316854	1.763711	1.574577	1.580215	4.918503	2.844539	4.632407	7.450798

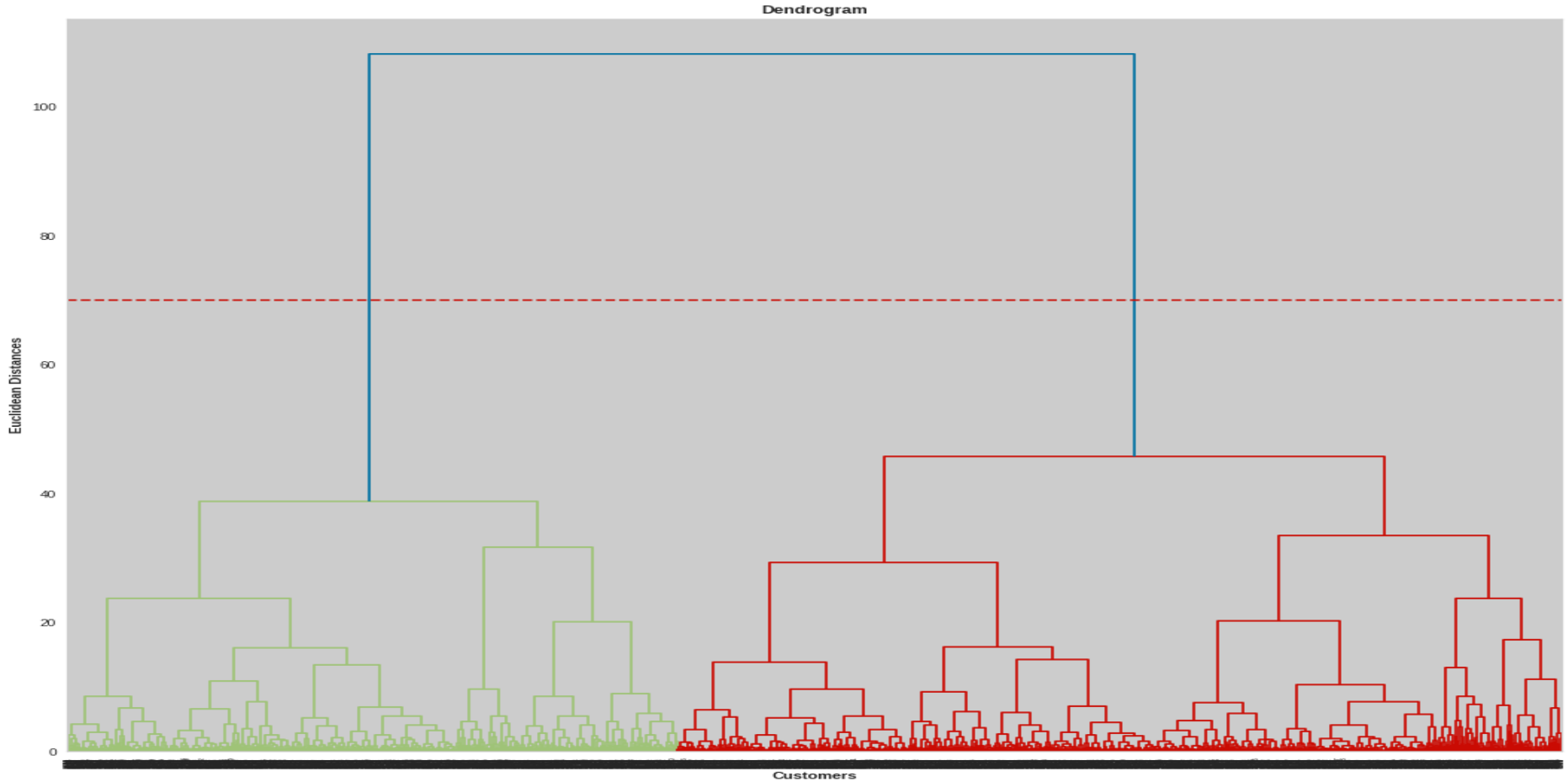
- **Wholesale Customer:**'Cluster 1' is the high value customer segment as the customer in this group place the highest value orders with a very high frequency than other members.They are also the one who have more no. of transactions.These are the wholesale customer of retail store.
- **Average Customer:**'Cluster 0' is the average customer segment.These customers order less frequently as compared to wholesale customer and their orders are pretty low valued.

Agglomerative Hierarchical Clustering



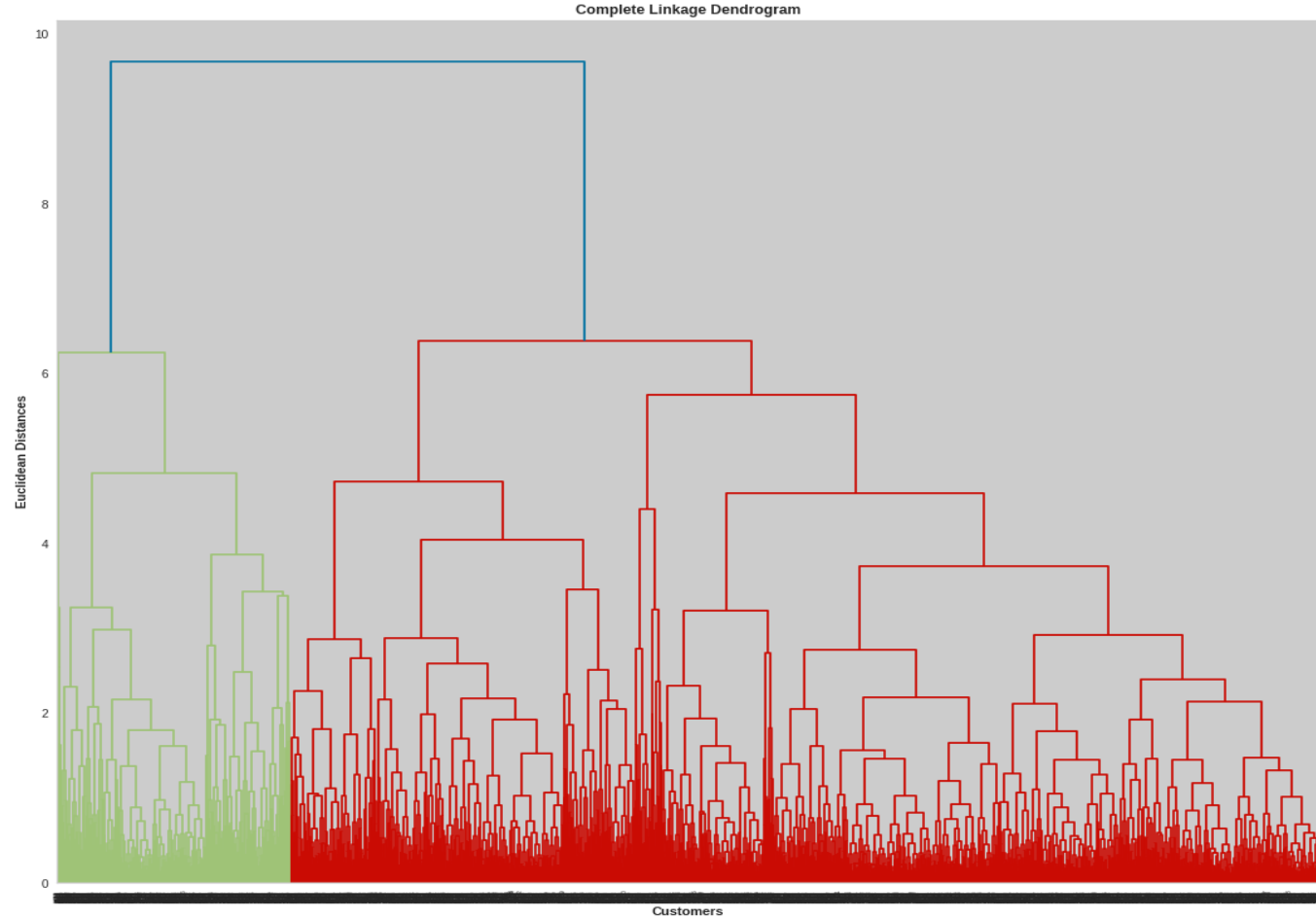
- It a **bottom up** approach.
- In this technique,we assign each point to an individual cluster in the beginning.
- Then,we merge the closest pair.And,finally we got a single cluster.
- This technique is also known as Additive Hierarchical Clustering.
- We have used dendrogram to find optimal no. of clusters.
- Dendrogram is a tree-like diagram that records the sequences of merge or splits.More the distance of vertical lines in the dedogram,more the distance between those clusters.
- We can set a threshold distance and draw a horizontal line(Generally,we try to set the threshold line in such a way that it cuts the tallest vertical line).
- The no. of clusters willl be the no. of vertical lines which are being intersected by the line drawn using the threshold.

Dendrogram with 2 as optimal no. of clusters



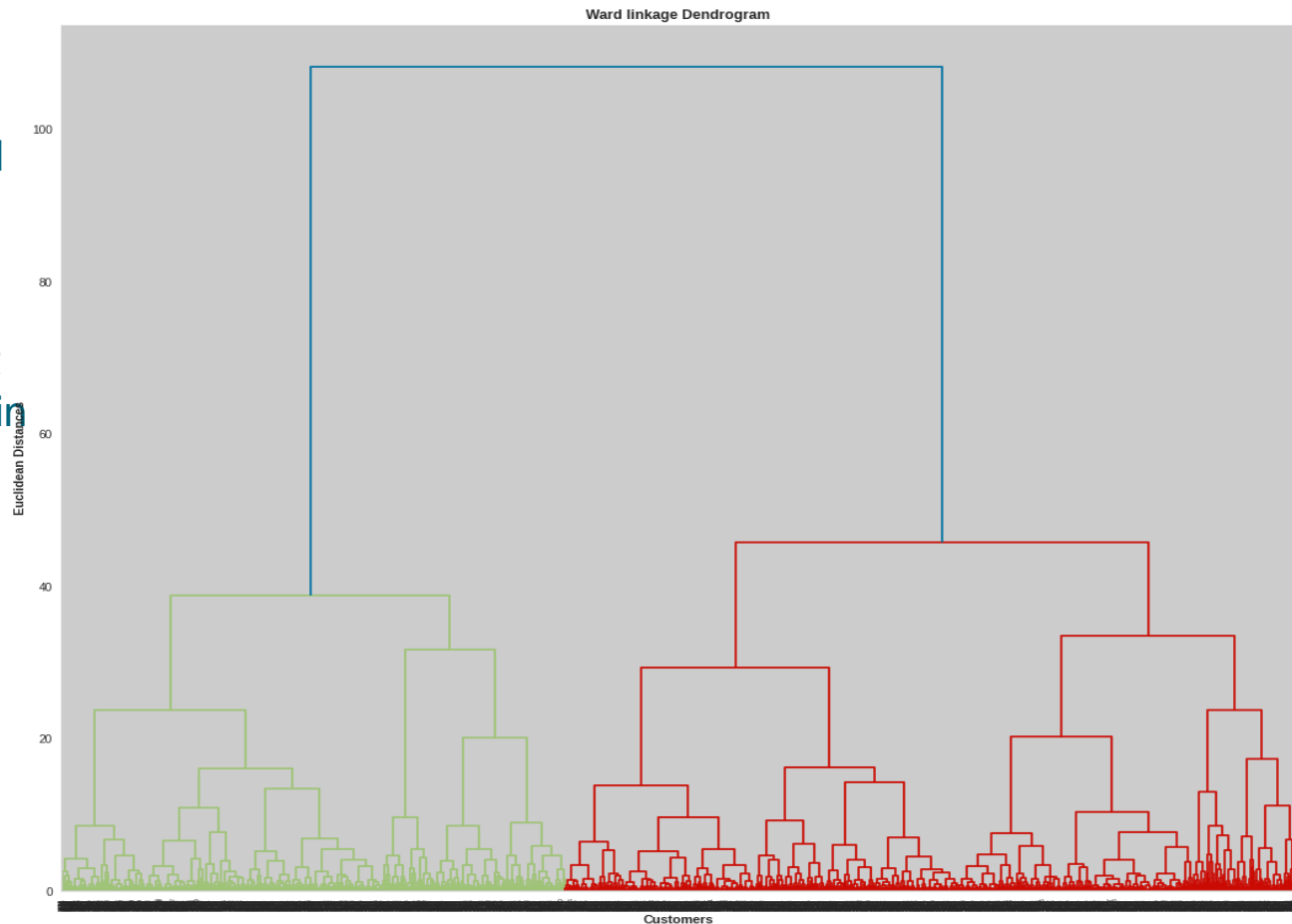
Complete Linkage

- In complete linkage hierarchical clustering, the distance between two clusters is defined as the longest distance between two points in each cluster.



Ward Linkage

- In ward linkage hierarchical clustering, the distance between two clusters is defined as the average distance between each point in one cluster to every point in the other cluster.



Pretty Table

SL No.	Model_Name	Data	Optimal_Number_of_cluster
1	K-Means with silhouette_score	RFM	2
2	K-Means with Elbow method	RFM	2
3	Agglomerative Hierarchical Clustering with threshold value 70	RFM	2

Conclusion



- Throughout the analysis we went through various steps to perform customer segmentation. We start with data wrangling in which we tried to handle null values, duplicates and performed feature modifications.
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- Using cluster profiling the average of recency, frequency and monetary values for each customer segment was identified.
- We have made dendrograms for all types of linkages i.e. Single , Average ,Centroid , Complete and ward.
- Ward is most popular among all linkages.
- The optimal no. of clusters in K-Means with Silhouette Analysis and Elbow method is 2.
- We have used Agglomerative clustering with different threshold value and see how clusters differ and find optimal no. of clusters.
- The optimal no. of clusters with threshold value 70 in Agglomerative Clustering is 2.

Thank you