



User Churn Analysis

Analyze Data with SQL

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Analysis main points

1. Range of data given for the analysis
 - The company been operating since 2016-12-01;
 - We have enough information to calculate a churn rate for Jan, Feb, Mar of 2017;
 - There are two segments of users: 30 and 87;
2. Analysis of the overall churn trend since the company started;
 - Comparing the churn rates between user segments.
3. Further analysis of the churn rates between user segments.
 - Comparing the churn rates between user segments by months;
 - Recommendations on which segment of users should the company focus on expanding.

1. Range of data we can analyze

1.1 Range of data we can analyze

The table `subscriptions` continues data of subscriptions and unsubscriptions for Codeflix service.

- The table contains following data:
 - **id** - the subscription id
 - **subscription_start** - the start date of the subscription
 - **subscription_end** - the end date of the subscription
 - **segment** - identifies which segment the subscription owner belongs to
- SQL query [1] helped me to understand the data range we can use for analysis.
- Codeflix has been operating since 2016-12-01. We have data up until 2017-03-31 (including).
- We have enough data to calculate a churn rate for three months of 2017: January, February, March.
- We have data for two segments of users:
 - segment 30
 - segment 87(used query [2] to check it)

MIN(subscription_start)	MAX(subscription_start)	MIN(subscription_end)	MAX(subscription_end)
2016-12-01	2017-03-30	2017-01-01	2017-03-31

-[1] Checking data range

```
SELECT MIN(subscription_start),  
       MAX(subscription_start),  
       MIN(subscription_end),  
       MAX(subscription_end)  
FROM subscriptions;
```

-[2] Segments of users

```
SELECT DISTINCT segment  
FROM subscriptions;
```

2. Overall churn trend

2.1 Overall churn trend since the company started

Query [3] shows the overall churn trend since the company started for the segments 30 and 87 for January - March of 2017.

Last row of the table below shows total values for both segments over 3 months.

- Churn rate of segment 30 is more than 3 times overall lower;
- Total number of subscribers for segment 30 is almost 20% bigger than for segment 87.

period	segment	active	canceled	churn_rate_by_segment
2017-01-01 - 2017-03-31	30	1525	144	0.0944
2017-01-01 - 2017-03-31	87	1271	476	0.374
2017-01-01 - 2017-03-31	n/a	2796	620	0.221

Churn_rate_by_segment results are rounded up to hundredth place.

```
-- Query [3]
WITH months AS
(SELECT
  '2017-01-01' as first_day,
  '2017-01-31' as last_day
  UNION
  SELECT '2017-02-01' as first_day,
  '2017-02-28' as last_day
  UNION
  SELECT '2017-03-01' as first_day,
  '2017-03-31' as last_day
),
cross_join AS (SELECT *
FROM months
CROSS JOIN subscriptions),

status AS (SELECT
  id,
  segment,
  first_day AS month,
  CASE WHEN subscription_start < first_day AND (subscription_end > first_day OR
subscription_end IS NULL)
    THEN 1
    ELSE 0
  END as is_active,
  CASE WHEN subscription_end BETWEEN first_day AND last_day
    THEN 1
    ELSE 0
  END as is_canceled
FROM cross_join)

SELECT month, segment,
  SUM(is_active),
  SUM(is_canceled),
  (SUM(1.0 * is_canceled) / SUM(is_active)) as churn_rate_by_segment
FROM status
GROUP BY segment;
```

3. Which segment of users should the company focus on expanding?

3.1 Comparison of the churn rates between user segments

Comparison of the same data by each month (Jan, Feb, Mar, 2017)

Query used to get the results: [4] (see Appendix 1)

- Overall, segment 30 is showing better churn rate, we should focus on this segment.
- Or investigate why there is so much cancellations in segment 87 if we want to keep it
- Both segments showed a spike of cancellations for Mar 2017
- We might need to investigate what caused it

month	segment	active	canceled	churn_rate_by_segment
2017-01-01	30	291	22	0.076
2017-01-01	87	278	70	0.252
2017-02-01	30	518	38	0.073
2017-02-01	87	462	148	0.320
2017-03-01	30	716	84	0.117
2017-03-01	87	531	258	0.486

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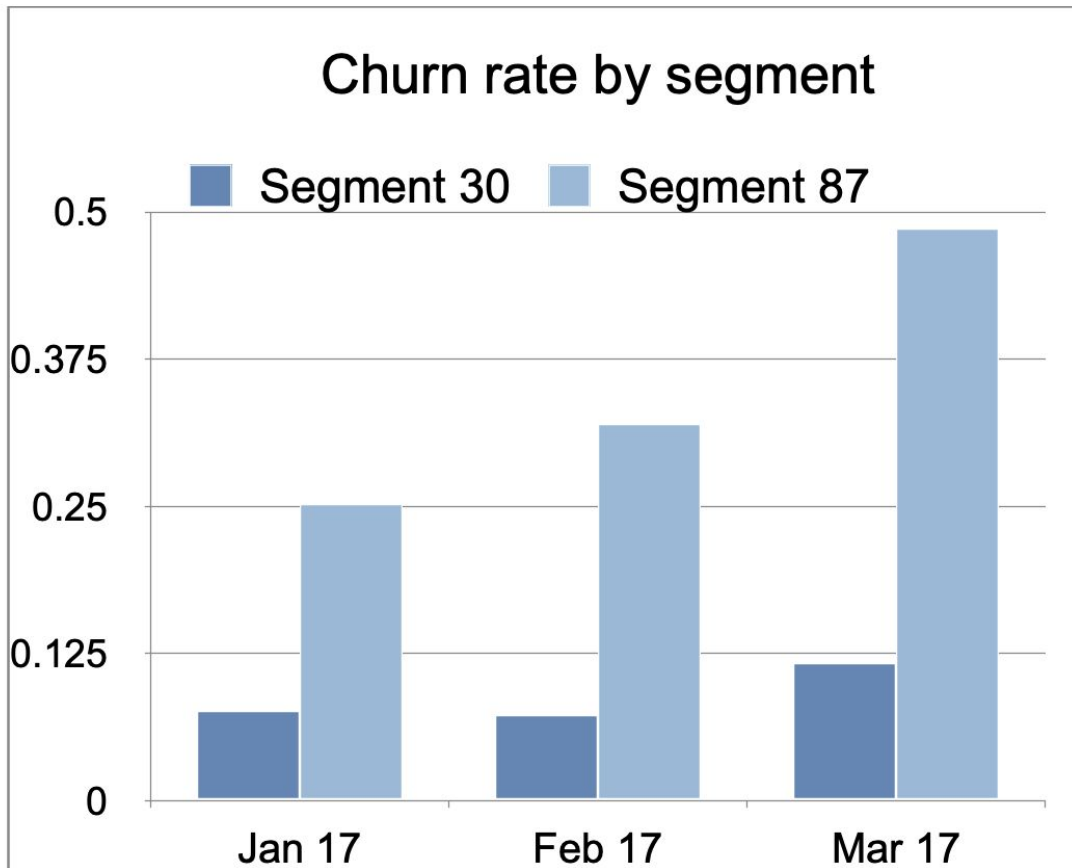
3.2 Comparison of the churn rates between user segments

Comparison of churn rates by each month
(Jan, Feb, Mar, 2017)

Churn rates from the previous slide
represented in a visual form (bar graph)

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Appendix 1

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< Query [4]