Credit Sesame User Clustering and Product Offering Prediction

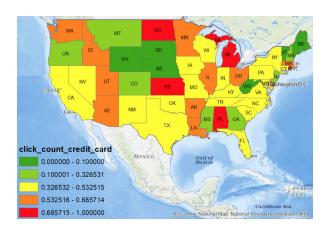
Introduction

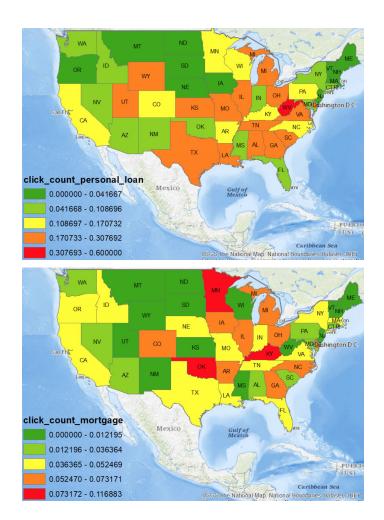
Clickstream data can reveal important information on user inclination for different products and provide valuable insights on orchestrating targeted offering and advertising. In this datathon project, we looked into how different demographic clusters respond to major product offerings such as credit cards & credit products and mortgages & loans.

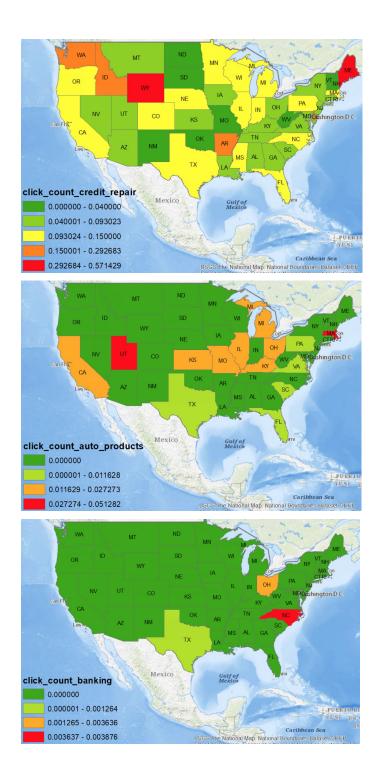
Exploration

1. Geographical visualization of produce preferences

In this section, we draw the thematic map of user's click events in each state. These maps could show us which products people prefer in different states. Therefore, company could adjust their product recommendations for each state based on these results, such as notifying people who lived in ND, MI, KS and AL which are most interested in credit card & products.

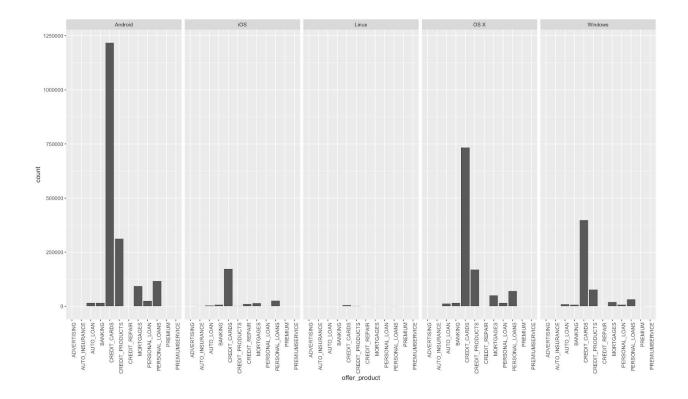






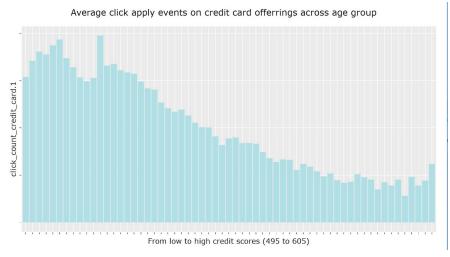
2. Product preferences for different devices

In this section, we draw the bar plots for different devices to show user's preference.



3. Product preferences on different credit score groups

Lower customers' credit scores, they tend to click and apply for credit cards more frequently.

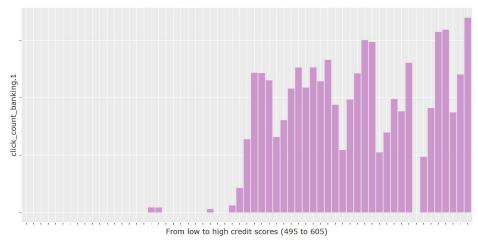


Average click apply events on auto products across age group

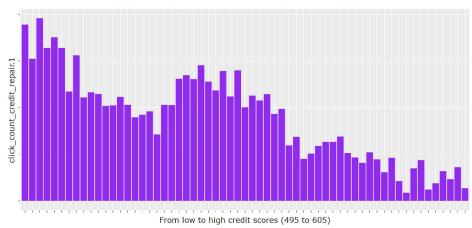


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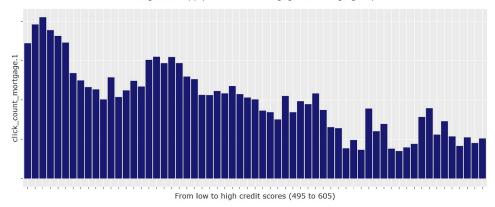
Average click apply events on banking across age group



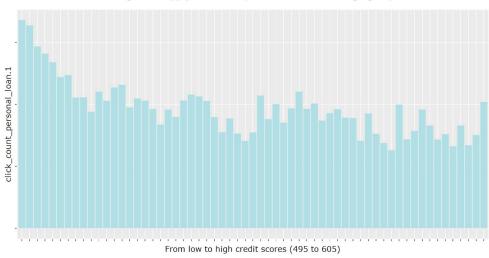
Average click apply events on credit repair across age group



Average click apply events on mortgage across age group

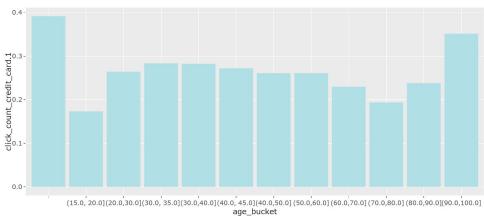


Average click apply events on personal loan across age group

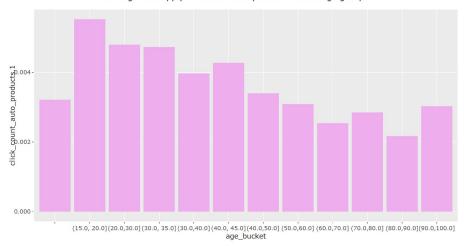


4. Product preferences on different age groups

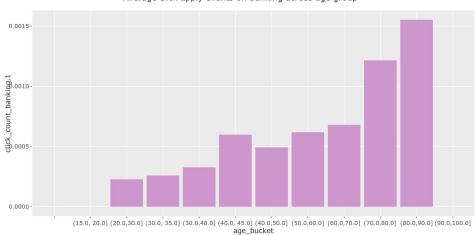
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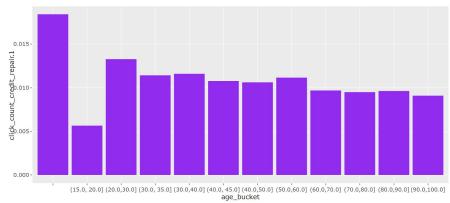
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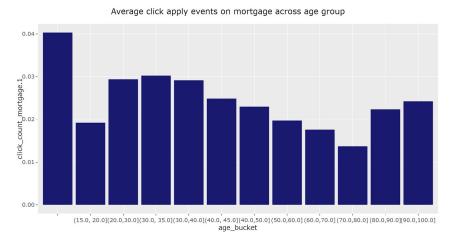


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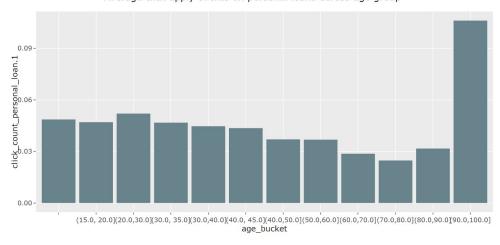


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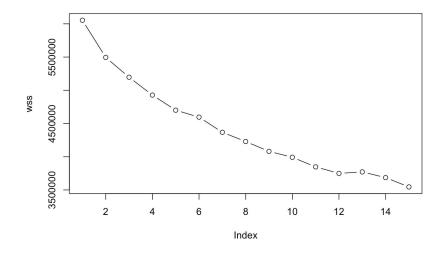


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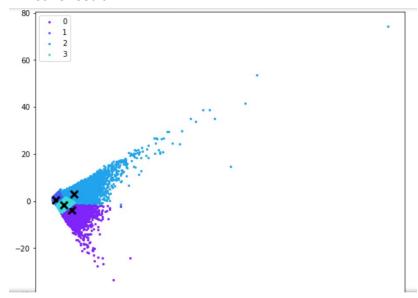


Clustering

Using the numerical variables which are the majority of user profile records, we iterated on different K means clusters and decided to use 4 clusters for the best interpretability of the model output.



K-means result



User profiling

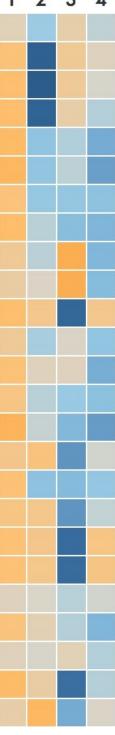
Based on clustering result, we compared each attributes with the mean of the user groups and observes 4 different personalities:

- A. The Play-safes:Group1 who tends to have fewer loans, mortgages than average. They tend to be younger.
- B. The High-touchers: Group2 who inquiry more often than other groups. Its age distribution is heavy on millenials.
- C. The High-flyers: Group3 which has higher credit limit and mortgages than any other groups. Group3 are also more mature in age and have higher credit scores.
- D. The Econnoissuers: Group4 which tends to have multiple cards and products, presumably to compare and find the best deal

Cluster

1 2 3 4

count_bankruptcy count_inquiries_3_months count_inquiries_6_months count_inquiries_12_months count_open_installment_accounts_24_months count_total_tradelines_opened_24_months count_tradelines_cc_opened_24_months count_tradelines_closed_accounts count_tradelines_condition_derogatory count_tradelines_open_collection_accounts count_tradelines_open_mortgages count_tradelines_open_secured_loans count_tradelines_open_student_loans count_tradelines_open_unsecured_loans count_tradelines_opened_accounts max_cc_limit total_auto_loans_balance total_cc_open_balance total_mortgage_loans_amount total_mortgage_loans_balance total_open_cc_amount_past_due total_student_loans_balance total_tradelines_amount_past_due total_tradelines_open_balance tradelines_avg_days_since_opened



Data ethics

We did not include sensitive information such as zipcode which could leads to discrimination. We looked at generic population-level demographics such as age bucket to better understand the needs of Credit Sesame customers.

Business strategies

Knowing different user segments allows us to more accurately target each group's needs and improve their user experience, while at the same time feed the product offerer's income stream.

The Econnoissuers are the majority and have high propensity to accept new products, as such we can show them product comparisons to save their time in decision making, and present them with recommended better alternatives to build brand royalties with Credit Sesame.

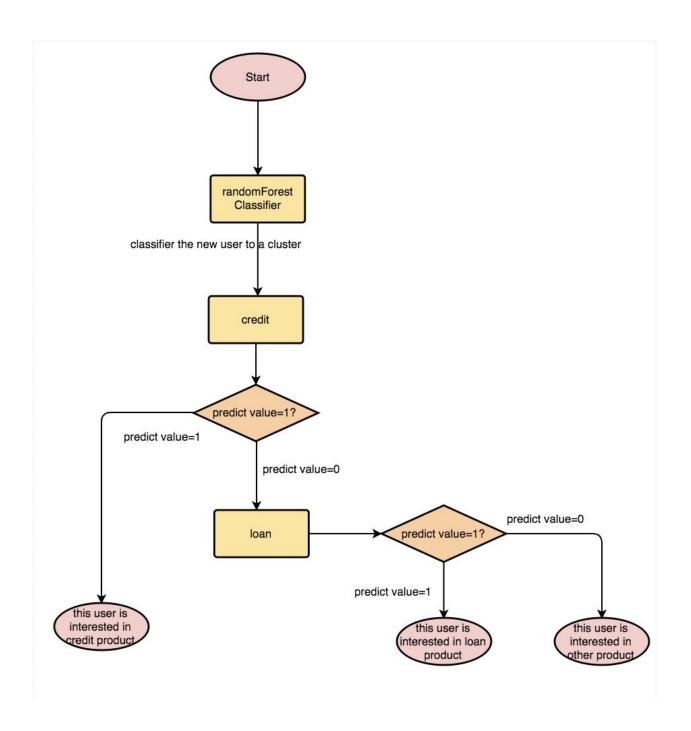
The High-flyers are seasoned financial product users and possibly busy professionals. For this group we need to target with useful information, fewer product and less frequent product, as the same time mitigate their risk as they tend to have higher loans.

The high-touchers have more questions than the other groups and we can make chat-bot or real-person chat support option more obvious to them to aid them with every step.

The play-safes are the minority and we can target them with moderate amount of offering and observe their reaction, then posteriorly adjust communication style with this groups of user. The posterior update applies to all groups.

Predictions

In order to predict the signup by user segments and product, we looked into which users interact with which product offer page and built customized submodels to inspect what leads to the ultimate sign-up. Our modeling process can be seen from the image below, which can be mainly divided to 3 sub-models(random forest classifier, credit classifier and loan classifier).



RandomForest Classifier

- *Usage: We want to use this classifier to classify the new user to the most similar cluster based on our clustering result.
- *Method: We build this model based on random forest algorithm and use the grid search method to adjust model's parameters.

*Code:

```
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV

para ={'n_estimators':[50,100,150,200]}
gsearchRandom = GridSearchCV(estimator = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=42),param_grid = para,cv=5)
gsearchRandom.fit(x_train, y_train)
pred=gsearchRandom.predict(x_test)
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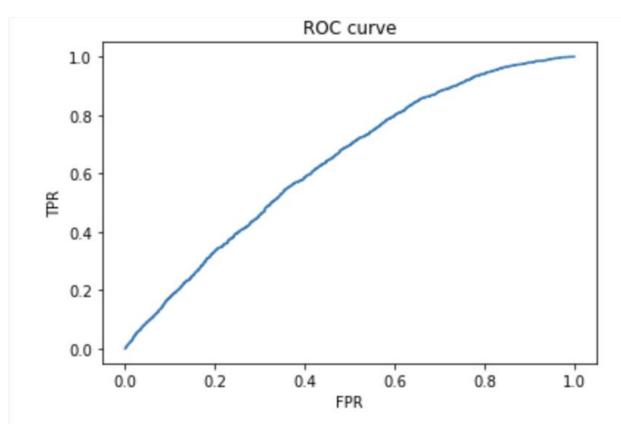
Credit Classifier

*Usage: This model can be used to predict whether a user is interested in credit products or not, including credit cards and other credit products.

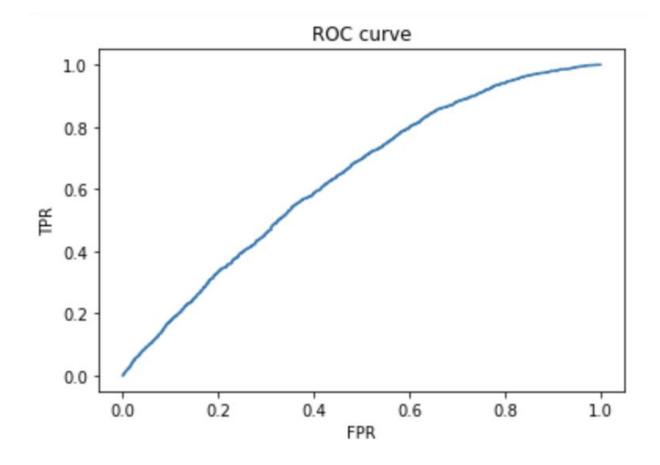
*Method: We build this model based on Ridge classification algorithm and Gradient Boosting Classification algorithm and used grid search method to adjust model's parameters.

* Performance

* Ridge Classification



* Gradient Boosting Classification



Loan Classifier

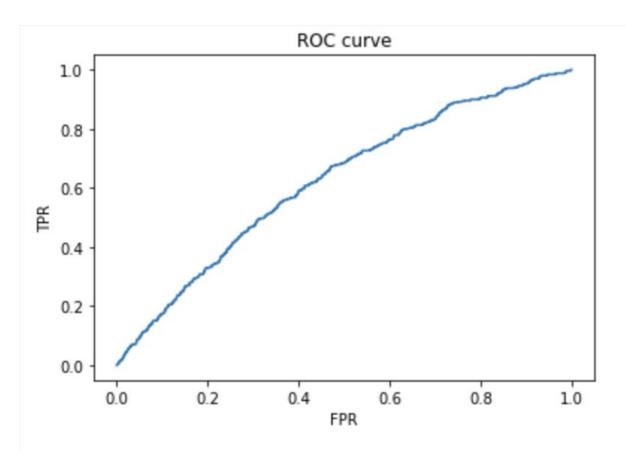
***Usage:** This model can be used to predict whether a user is interested in loan products or not, including personal loan, personal loans and other mortgage.

*Method: Just like how we build credit model, we build this model based on Ridge classification algorithm and Gradient Boosting Classification algorithm and used grid search method to adjust model's parameters.

* Performance

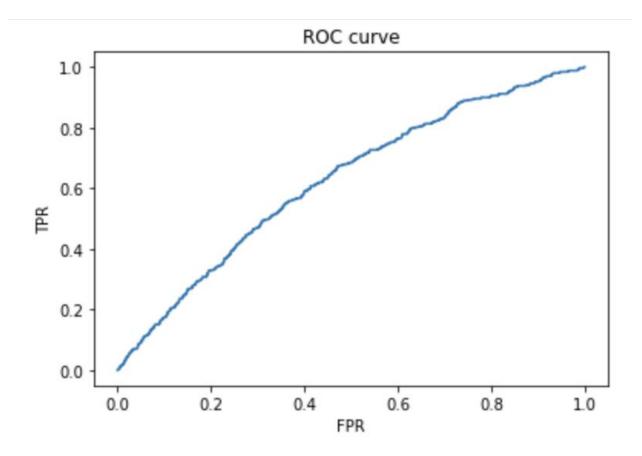
* Ridge Classification

Test accuracy: 0.624 accuracy = 0.893621575342 sensitivity = 0.893621575342 specifity = nan PPV = 1.0 NPV = 0.0 F1 score = 0.943822764779



* Gradient Boosting Classification

Test accuracy: 0.615 accuracy = 0.893621575342 sensitivity = 0.893621575342 specifity = nan PPV = 1.0 NPV = 0.0 F1 score = 0.943822764779



Business Implications

- We can build other models with the similar functions to predict whether the new user is interested in other products or not. Due to the time limit, we will not elaborate as the steps are similar
- The company can market to the target users with different interest. For example, if the
 predicting model shows one user may interested in credit product, the company can send
 more ads about credit products to this user.

Next step

As a next step we can:

- 1. Build a real-time clickstream visualization system to monitor the evolution of user behaviors
- 2. Look into user bounce rate by page which could be achieve with a better understanding of how current webpages are organized.
- 3. Since the performance of our models still have potential to improvement, we can conduct further parameter tuning.

Tools:

R, Python, Tableau, Arcgis