Clustering E-Commerce Customers

Exploratory Data Analysis

A. Defining the Question

A Kenyan entrepreneur has created an online cryptography course and would want to advertise it on her blog. She currently targets audiences originating from various countries. In the past, she ran ads to advertise a related course on the same blog and collected data in the process. My task as a Data Science Consultant is to to help her by creating a model that predicts which individuals are most likely to click on her ads

- B. Metrics for Success 1. Plotting Clusters to visualise modelled clusters & noise points 2. Confusion Matrix to measure accuracy
- C. Understanding the Context

It is imperative that all entrepreneurs identify all opportunities to advertise and boost their sales in whatever business they are engaged in. (See Problem Definition)

D. Recording the Experimental Design 1.Problem Definition 2.Data Sourcing 3.Check the Data 4.Perform Data Cleaning 5.Perform Exploratory Data Analysis (Univariate, Bivariate & Multivariate) 6.Implement the Solution using K-means & Hierarchical Clustering Algorithms 7.Challenge the Solution using DBSCAN Algorithm 8.Follow up Questions

1. Problem Definition

Kira Plastinina ("https://kiraplastinina.ru/") is a Russian brand that is sold through a defunct chain of retail stores in Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Belarus, China, Philippines, and Armenia. The brand's Sales and Marketing team would like to understand their customer's

behavior from data that they have collected over the past year. The objectives of this project are as follows:

- 1. Learn the characteristics of customer groups
- 2. Perform clustering stating insights drawn from analysis and visualizations.
- 3. Upon implementation, provide comparisons between K-Means clustering vs Hierarchical clustering highlighting the strengths and limitations of each approach in the context of the analysis.

2. Data Sourcing

The dataset for this project can be found here: "http://bit.ly/EcommerceCustomersDataset"

3. Check the Data

```
# Loading the necessary libraries using pacman

pacman :: p_load(pacman, dplyr, tidyverse, GGally, ggplot2, ggthemes, ggvis, httr, lubridate, plotly, rio, rmarkdown, shiny, stringr, tidyr, psych, corrplot, caret, Amelia, mice)

# Previewing first 10 records of our data

data <- import("~/R/K_Means & Hierarchichal Clustering of E-Commerce Customers/online_shoppers_intention.csv")

# converting data to a dataframe

data <- as.data.frame(data)
head(data,10)

## Administrative Administrative_Duration Informational Informational_Duration

## 1 0 0 0 0

## 2 0 0 0 0

## 2 0 0 0 0
```

```
## 3
                                                   -1
## 4
                                                    0
## 5
                                                    0
## 6
                                                    0
## 7
                                                   -1
##8
                                                   -1
## 9
                                                    0
## 10
                             0
                                      0
     ProductRelated ProductRelated_Duration BounceRates ExitRates PageValues
## 1
                        0.000000 0.20000000 0.20000000
## 2
                       64.000000 0.00000000 0.10000000
## 3
                       -1.000000 0.20000000 0.20000000
## 4
                        2.666667 0.05000000 0.14000000
## 5
             10
                       627.500000 0.02000000 0.05000000
## 6
                       154.216667 0.01578947 0.02456140
## 7
                       -1.000000 0.20000000 0.20000000
##8
                       -1.000000 0.20000000 0.20000000
## 9
                       37.000000 0.00000000 0.10000000
                                                              0
## 10
                       738.000000 0.00000000 0.02222222
     SpecialDay Month OperatingSystems Browser Region TrafficType
## 1
         0.0 Feb
## 2
         0.0 Feb
## 3
         0.0 Feb
         0.0 Feb
## 4
## 5
         0.0 Feb
                                3
##6
         0.0
             Feb
         0.4 Feb
## 7
##8
         0.0 Feb
         0.8 Feb
## 9
## 10
          0.4 Feb
                           2
                                 4
        VisitorType Weekend Revenue
##
## 1 Returning_Visitor FALSE FALSE
## 2 Returning_Visitor FALSE FALSE
## 3 Returning_Visitor FALSE FALSE
## 4 Returning_Visitor FALSE FALSE
## 5 Returning_Visitor TRUE FALSE
     Returning_Visitor FALSE FALSE
```

7 Returning_Visitor FALSE FALSE
8 Returning_Visitor TRUE FALSE

```
## 9 Returning_Visitor FALSE FALSE
## 10 Returning_Visitor FALSE FALSE
# Checking the size and shape of data
dim(data)
## [1] 12330 18
# Viewing data types using str().
str(data)
## 'data.frame': 12330 obs. of 18 variables:
## $ Administrative : int 000000100...
## $ Administrative_Duration: num 0 0 -1 0 0 0 -1 -1 0 0 ...
## $ Informational : int 000000000...
## $ Informational_Duration : num 0 0 -1 0 0 0 -1 -1 0 0 ...
## $ ProductRelated
                     : int 121210191123...
## $ ProductRelated_Duration: num 0 64 -1 2.67 627.5 ...
## $ BounceRates
                       : num 0.2 0 0.2 0.05 0.02 ...
## $ ExitRates
                      : num 0.2 0.1 0.2 0.14 0.05 ...
## $ PageValues
                       : num 0000000000...
## $ SpecialDay
                       : num 0000000.400.80.4...
                      : chr "Feb" "Feb" "Feb" "Feb" ...
## $ Month
## $ OperatingSystems
                      : int 1243322122...
## $ Browser
                      : int 1212324224...
## $ Region
                      : int 1192113121...
## $ TrafficType
                      : int 1234433532...
## $ VisitorType
                      : chr "Returning_Visitor" "Returning_Visitor" "Returning_Visitor" "Returning_Visitor" ...
## $ Weekend
                       : logi FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE ...
## $ Revenue
                       : logi FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE ...
```

4. Perform Data Cleaning

Checking for missing data in our columns

colSums(is.na(data))

##	Administrative Adminis	on Informational	
##	14	14	14
##	Informational_Duration	ProductRelat	ed ProductRelated_Duration
##	14	14	14
##	BounceRates	ExitRates	PageValues
##	14	14	0
##	SpecialDay	Month	OperatingSystems
##	0	0	0
##	Browser	Region	TrafficType
##	0	0	0
##	VisitorType	Weekend	Revenue
##	0	0	0

The first 8 columns have 14 missing records. We'll drop the 14 missing observations since they're not many

Dropping missing observations, re-checking for missing records and checking new shape of data

data <- na.omit(data)
colSums(is.na(data))</pre>

##	Administrative Adminis	Informational	
##	0	0	0
##	Informational_Duration	ProductRelated	ProductRelated_Duration
##	0	0	0

##	BounceRates	ExitRates	PageValues
##	0	0	0
##	SpecialDay	Month	OperatingSystems
##	0	0	0
##	Browser	Region	TrafficType
##	0	0	0
##	VisitorType	Weekend	Revenue
##	0	0	0

dim(data)

[1] 12316 18

Checking and dealing with duplicates by removing records that return TRUE

for duplication and "returning visitors"

This way, we'll only remove true duplicated records and not returning visitor records

no_duplicates <- data[!(duplicated(data) & data\$VisitorType != "Returning_Visitor"),]
dim(no_duplicates)</pre>

[1] 12311 18

There were only 5 true duplicated records

Changing all column names to lowercase
names(no_duplicates)[1:18] <- tolower(names(no_duplicates)[1:18])

```
# Renaming columns with long names
names(no_duplicates)[names(no_duplicates) == "administrative_duration"] <- "a_duration"
names(no_duplicates)[names(no_duplicates) == "informational_duration"] <- "i_duration"
names(no_duplicates)[names(no_duplicates) == "productrelated_duration"] <- "p_duration"
# new column names
colnames(no_duplicates)
## [1] "administrative" "a_duration"
                                            "informational" "i duration"
## [5] "productrelated"
                                             "bouncerates"
                                                               "exitrates"
                          "p_duration"
## [9] "pagevalues"
                          "specialday"
                                            "month"
                                                             "operatingsystems"
## [13] "browser"
                                          "traffictype"
                          "region"
                                                          "visitortype"
## [17] "weekend"
                           "revenue"
# Converting integer columns to numeric
no_duplicates$administrative <- as.numeric(no_duplicates$administrative)</pre>
no_duplicates$a_duration <- as.numeric(no_duplicates$a_duration)
no_duplicates$informational <- as.numeric(no_duplicates$informational)
no_duplicates$i_duration <- as.numeric(no_duplicates$i_duration)
no_duplicates$productrelated <- as.numeric(no_duplicates$productrelated)</pre>
no_duplicates$p_duration <- as.numeric(no_duplicates$p_duration)</pre>
no_duplicates$specialday
                             <- as.numeric(no_duplicates$specialday)</pre>
```

Factorising categorical columns

no_duplicates\$pagevalues

no_duplicates[,11:18] <- lapply(no_duplicates[,11:18], factor) ## as.factor() could also be used

<- as.numeric(no_duplicates\$pagevalues)

```
columns = colnames(no_duplicates)
for (column in seq(length(colnames(no_duplicates)))){
print(columns[column])
print(class(no_duplicates[, column]))
cat('\n')
}
## [1] "administrative"
## [1] "numeric"
##
## [1] "a_duration"
## [1] "numeric"
##
## [1] "informational"
## [1] "numeric"
##
## [1] "i_duration"
## [1] "numeric"
## [1] "productrelated"
## [1] "numeric"
##
## [1] "p_duration"
## [1] "numeric"
## [1] "bouncerates"
## [1] "numeric"
##
## [1] "exitrates"
## [1] "numeric"
## [1] "pagevalues"
## [1] "numeric"
##
## [1] "specialday"
```

[1] "numeric"

checking final data types by using colnames() function and creating a for loop for each column name

```
##
## [1] "month"
## [1] "factor"
##
## [1] "operatingsystems"
## [1] "factor"
##
## [1] "browser"
## [1] "factor"
##
## [1] "region"
## [1] "factor"
##
## [1] "traffictype"
## [1] "factor"
##
## [1] "visitortype"
## [1] "factor"
##
## [1] "weekend"
## [1] "factor"
##
## [1] "revenue"
## [1] "factor"
# Checking for Anomalies using levels() function
# checking unique values in month
levels(no_duplicates$month)
## [1] "Aug" "Dec" "Feb" "Jul" "June" "Mar" "May" "Nov" "Oct" "Sep"
```

Checking Anomalies

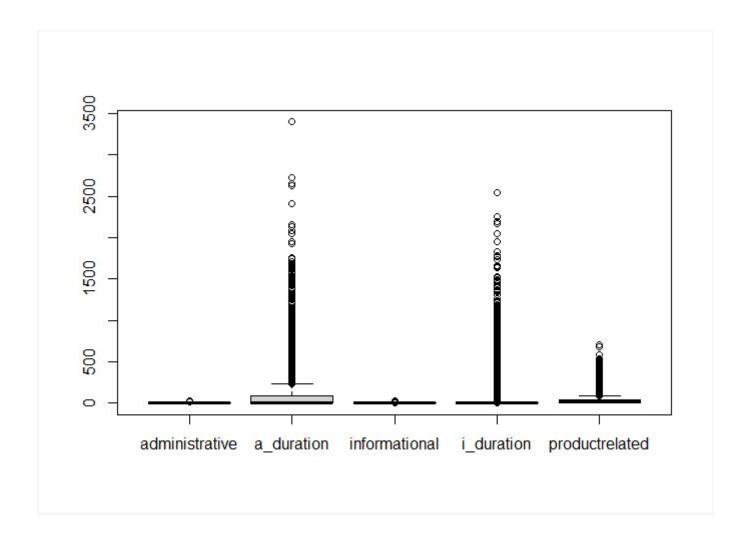
checking unique values in opertaingsystems

```
levels(no_duplicates$operatingsystems)
## [1] "1" "2" "3" "4" "5" "6" "7" "8"
# Checking Anomalies
# checking unique values in browser
levels(no_duplicates$browser)
## [1] "1" "2" "3" "4" "5" "6" "7" "8" "9" "10" "11" "12" "13"
# Checking Anomalies
# checking unique values in region
levels(no_duplicates$region)
## [1] "1" "2" "3" "4" "5" "6" "7" "8" "9"
# Checking Anomalies
# checking unique values in traffictype
levels(no_duplicates$traffictype)
## [1] "1" "2" "3" "4" "5" "6" "7" "8" "9" "10" "11" "12" "13" "14" "15"
## [16] "16" "17" "18" "19" "20"
```

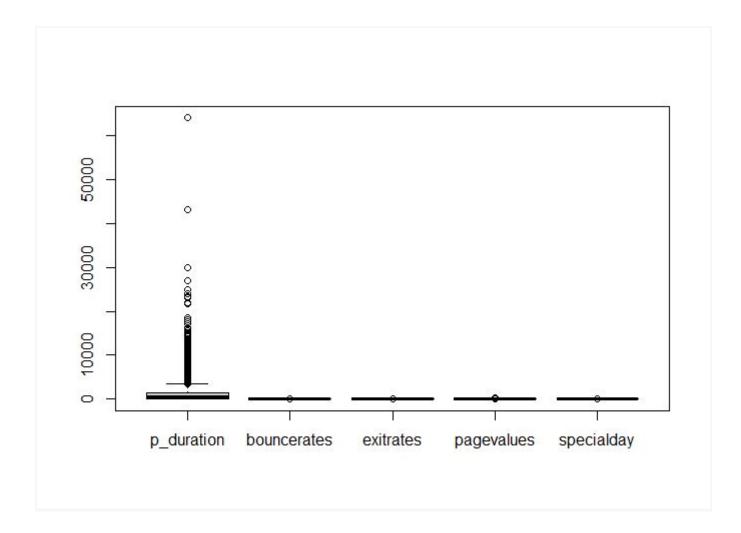
Checking Anomalies

checking unique values in visitortype

```
levels(no_duplicates$visitortype)
## [1] "New_Visitor" "Other"
                                             "Returning_Visitor"
# Checking Anomalies
# checking unique values in weekend
levels(no_duplicates$weekend)
## [1] "FALSE" "TRUE"
# Checking Anomalies
# checking unique values in revenue
levels(no_duplicates$revenue)
## [1] "FALSE" "TRUE"
# Checking For Outliers in Numerical Columns
# splitting numerical columns to half for better viewing of boxplots
num_cols1 <- no_duplicates[,1:5]</pre>
num_cols2 <- no_duplicates[,6:10]</pre>
boxplot(num_cols1)
```



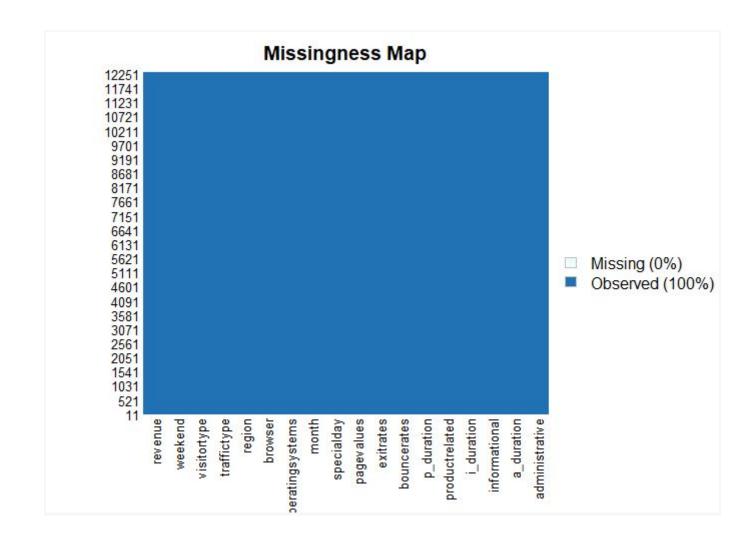
boxplot(num_cols2)



From the boxplots, a_duration, i_duration, productrelated and p_duration have pronounced outliers

The values of these features are derived from the URL information of the pages visited by the user and updated in real-time when a user takes an action. Hence they are probably not outliers since the process is automated

Checking for missing records
final <- no_duplicates
missmap(final)</pre>



5. Exploratory Data Analysis (Univariate, Bivariate & Multivariate)

Univariate

Frequency tables

Obtaining a table of product pages and time duration on each page

time_on_prod_page <- final %>%

```
## Warning: `funs()` is deprecated as of dplyr 0.8.0.
## Please use a list of either functions or lambdas:
##
     # Simple named list:
##
##
     list(mean = mean, median = median)
##
    # Auto named with `tibble::lst()`:
##
     tibble::lst(mean, median)
##
## # Using lambdas
## list(~ mean(., trim = .2), ~ median(., na.rm = TRUE))
## This warning is displayed once every 8 hours.
## Call `lifecycle::last_warnings()` to see where this warning was generated.
```

time_on_prod_page

## # A tibble: 311 x 4							
## productrelated p_duration bouncerates exitrates							
##		<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl:< td=""><td>> <d< td=""><td>bl></td></d<></td></dbl:<>	> <d< td=""><td>bl></td></d<>	bl>	
##	1	0	0	3.33	4.38		
##	2	1	10330.	107.	114.		
##	3	2	29092.	22.0	48.0		
##	4	3	53882.	15.5	35.5		
##	5	4	65578.	11.2	25.8		
##	6	5	71559.	9.63	21.8		
##	7	6	96837.	7.57	19.0		
##	8	7	119062.	7.28	17.7		
##	9	8	115396.	6.14	15.7		
##	10	9	118569.	5.25	13.1		
##	# wi	th 301 r	more rows				

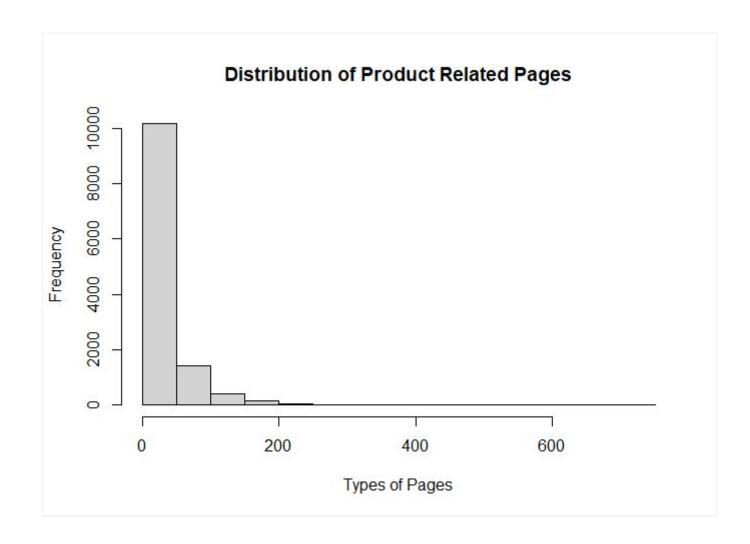
- # From the above table we can see that product page 1 has a very high bounce and exit rate
- # This is indicative that most users visit the page and subsequently exit immediately
- # without visiting another page on the website or interacting with any of the elements on the page
- # Kira Plastinina should consider changing the product being displayed on product page 1 to one that
- # captures visitors' attention
- # i.e. Products with lowest bounce and exit rates should be displayed first
- # Histogram of Product Related Pages
- # plotting using hist()

hist(final\$productrelated,

main = "Distribution of Product Related Pages",

xlab = "Types of Pages",

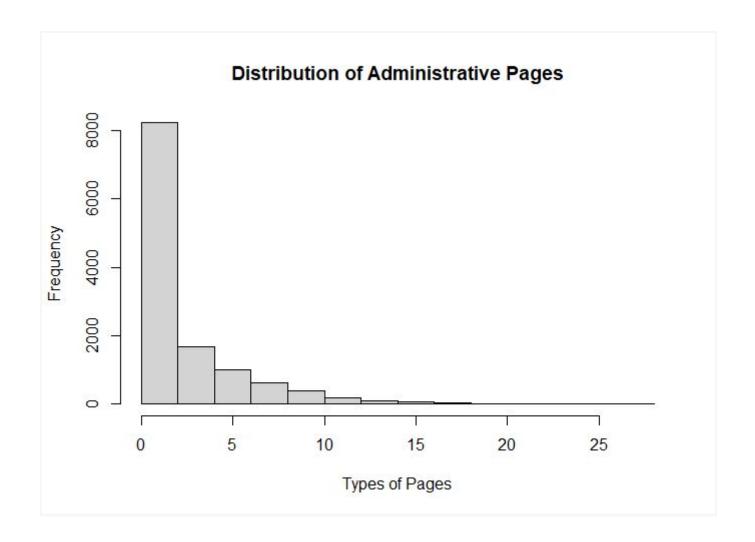
ylab = "Frequency")



Product related pages are highly skewed to the right indicating the first page types are visited most frequently. It would be advisable for Kira Plastinina to place the most profitable or new products that capture visitors' attention on the first few pages to reduce bounce/exit rates thereby boosting awareness & sales

Histogram of Administrative Pages

ylab = "Frequency")



Administrative pages are highly skewed to the right indicating the first few page types are visited most frequently

Excluding records in data where a_duration is -1 value

final <- final %>% filter(final\$a_duration > 0)

First line puts graphs into 4 columns with 2 rows
par(mfrow=c(2,1))
par(mar=c(2,2,2,2))

Histograms of distribution of duration on administrative and product related pages

and whether revenue was True

```
hist(final$a_duration [final$revenue == TRUE],

main = "Duration on Administrative Pages (With Revenue)",

xlab = "Time on Site",

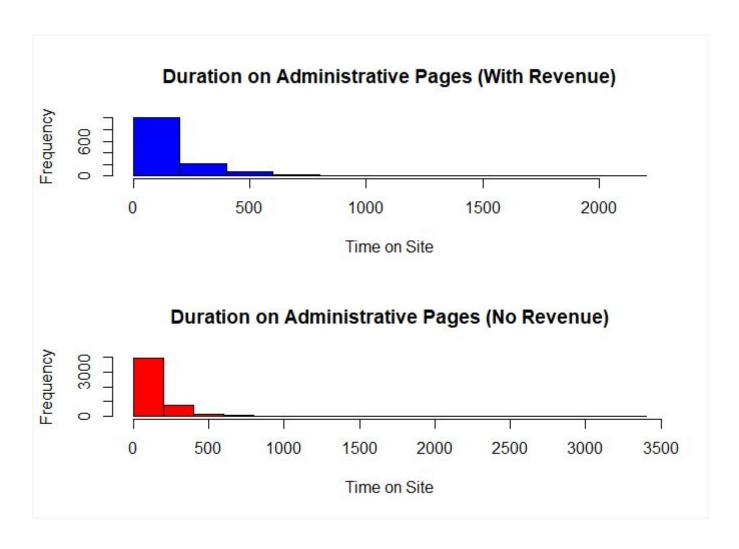
col = "blue")

hist(final$a_duration [final$revenue == FALSE],

main = "Duration on Administrative Pages (No Revenue)",

xlab = "Time on Site",

col = "red")
```



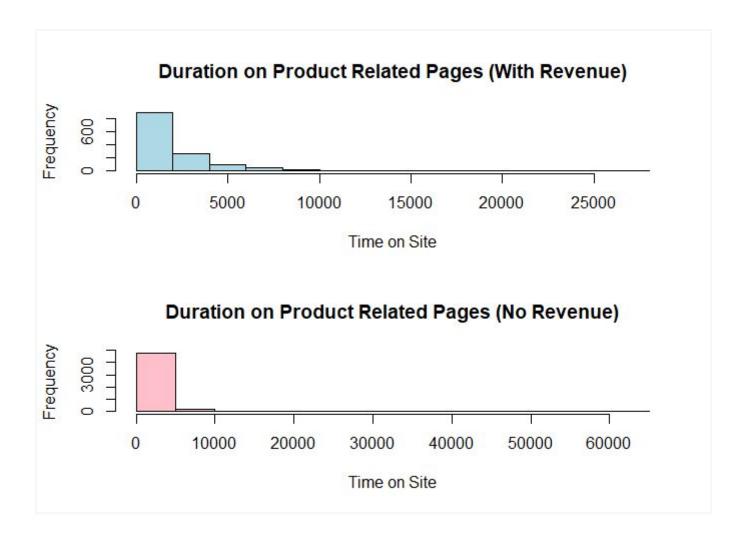
From above graphs, theres no significant chance in Revenue for persons who visit/linger on administrative pages

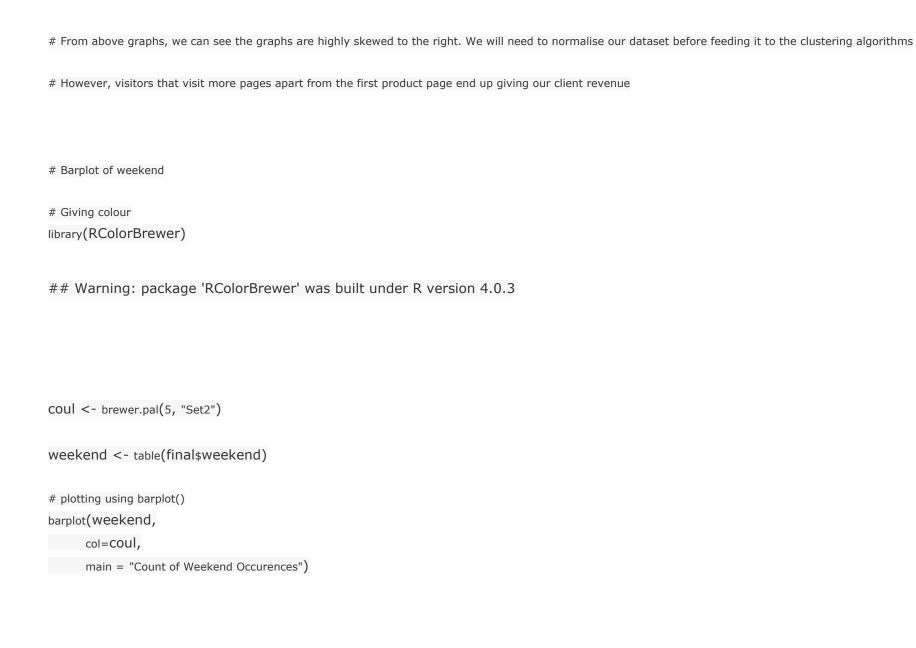
```
# First line puts graphs into 2 columns with 1 rows
par(mfrow=c(2,1))
# par(mar=c(2,2,2,2))

# Histograms of distribution of duration on administrative and product related pages
# and whether revenue was False

hist(final$p_duration [final$revenue == TRUE],
    main = "Duration on Product Related Pages (With Revenue)",
    xlab = "Time on Site",
    col = "lightblue")

hist(final$p_duration [final$revenue == FALSE],
    main = "Duration on Product Related Pages (No Revenue)",
    xlab = "Time on Site",
    col = "pink")
```







- # The barplot above reveals that most customers dont access the web page during the weekend
- # judged by the occurrences of False in the weekend feature

```
# Barplot of revenue
```

creating revenue table

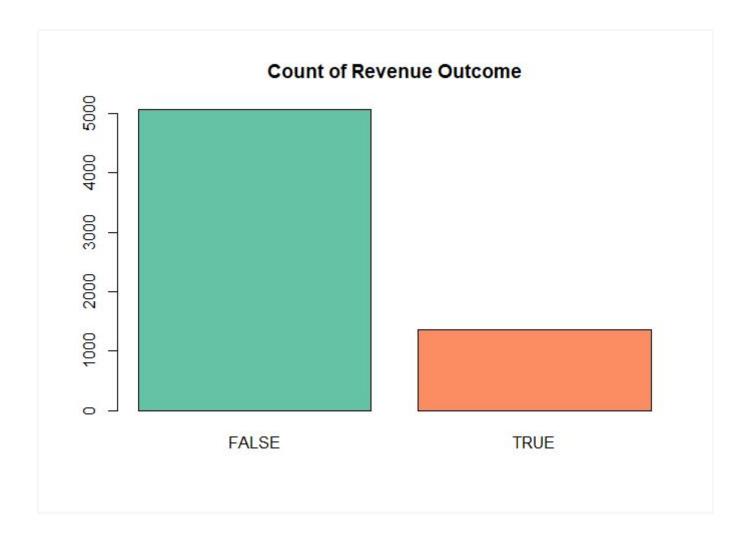
revenue <- table(final\$revenue)

plotting using barplot()

barplot(revenue,

col=coul,

main = "Count of Revenue Outcome")



There are more outcomes of False than True in Revenue.

This indicates our data is imbalanced since Revenue is our class variable

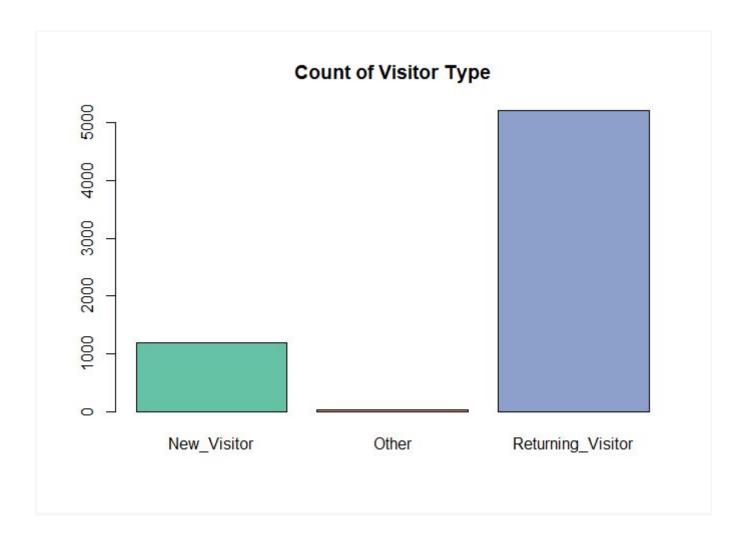
Barplot of visitor type

creating visitortype table
visitor <- table(final\$visitortype)</pre>

plotting using barplot()
barplot(visitor,

col=coul,

main = "Count of Visitor Type")



Majority of records have returning visitors, therefore, Kira Plastinina should focus on returning clients and aim to retain the new visitors.

Measures of Central Tendency using summary() summary(final)

```
## administrative a_duration informational i_duration

## Min. : 1.00 Min. : 1.333 Min. : 0.0000 Min. : 0.00

## 1st Qu.: 2.00 1st Qu.: 40.000 1st Qu.: 0.0000 1st Qu.: 0.00

## Median : 3.00 Median : 88.000 Median : 0.0000 Median : 0.00

## Mean : 4.42 Mean : 155.069 Mean : 0.8196 Mean : 56.87

## 3rd Qu.: 6.00 3rd Qu.: 183.000 3rd Qu.: 1.0000 3rd Qu.: 21.20

## Max. :27.00 Max. :3398.750 Max. :24.0000 Max. :2549.38
```

```
## productrelated p_duration
                            bouncerates exitrates
## Min. : 0.00 Min. : 0.0 Min. :0.000000 Min. :0.00000
## 1st Qu.: 14.00 1st Qu.: 408.7 1st Qu.:0.000000 1st Qu.:0.01109
## Median: 27.00 Median: 964.3 Median: 0.001852 Median: 0.01852
## Mean : 44.25 Mean : 1668.6 Mean : 0.007029 Mean : 0.02266
## 3rd Qu.: 53.00 3rd Qu.: 2022.9 3rd Qu.:0.009608 3rd Qu.:0.02941
## Max. :705.00 Max. :63973.5 Max. :0.161905 Max. :0.15000
##
##
    pagevalues
                 specialday month
                                     operatingsystems
## Min. : 0.000 Min. :0.0000 Nov :1612 2 :3493
## 1st Qu.: 0.000 1st Qu.:0.0000 May :1564 1 :1332
## Median: 0.000 Median: 0.0000 Mar : 914 3 :1319
## Mean : 8.155 Mean :0.0385 Dec : 867 4 : 235
## 3rd Qu.: 7.058 3rd Qu.:0.0000 Oct : 430 8 : 33
## Max. :361.764 Max. :1.0000 Sep :330 6 : 8
##
                      (Other): 709 (Other): 6
##
    browser
            region traffictype visitortype
## 2 :4280 1 :2442 2 :2468 New_Visitor :1185
     :1241 3 :1281 1 :1057 Other : 33
## 1
     : 344 4 : 626 3 : 857 Returning_Visitor: 5208
## 5
     : 234 2 : 596 4 : 596
## 10 : 90 7 : 401 13 : 286
## 6 : 76 6 : 397 10 : 228
## (Other): 161 (Other): 683 (Other): 934
## weekend revenue
## FALSE:4825 FALSE:5066
## TRUE:1601 TRUE:1360
##
##
##
##
##
```

```
##
                              sd median trimmed
             vars
                   n mean
                                                  mad min
                         4.42 3.45 3.00 3.89 2.97 1.00
## administrative
                   1 6426
## a duration
                  2 6426 155.07 220.12 88.00 111.10 87.97 1.33
## informational
                  3 6426 0.82 1.57 0.00 0.45 0.00 0.00
## i duration
                  4 6426 56.87 177.09 0.00 14.49 0.00 0.00
## productrelated
                   5 6426 44.25 53.84 27.00 33.60 23.72 0.00
                  6 6426 1668.57 2352.74 964.26 1222.40 1008.27 0.00
## p_duration
## bouncerates
                   7 6426 0.01 0.01 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
                 8 6426 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.01 0.00
## exitrates
## pagevalues
                  9 6426 8.15 20.26 0.00 3.26 0.00 0.00
## specialday
                 10 6426
                         0.04 0.16 0.00
                                            0.00
                                                  0.00 0.00
## month*
                 11 6426 6.27 2.47 7.00 6.46 1.48 1.00
## operatingsystems* 12 6426
                            2.11 0.88 2.00 2.05 0.00 1.00
## browser*
                 13 6426 2.32 1.67 2.00 1.98 0.00 1.00
## region*
                 14 6426 3.17 2.40 3.00 2.82 2.97 1.00
## traffictype*
                 15 6426
                          3.91
                                3.77 2.00
                                            3.10
                                                 1.48 1.00
## visitortype*
                         2.63 0.78 3.00 2.78
                                                 0.00 1.00
                 16 6426
## weekend*
                  17 6426 1.25 0.43 1.00 1.19 0.00 1.00
## revenue*
                  18 6426 1.21 0.41 1.00 1.14 0.00 1.00
##
                max range skew kurtosis se
## administrative
                   27.00 26.00 1.57 3.31 0.04
## a_duration
                 3398.75 3397.42 4.58 32.84 2.75
## informational
                  24.00 24.00 3.06 16.19 0.02
## i_duration
                2549.38 2549.38 5.88 46.61 2.21
## productrelated
                  705.00 705.00 3.73 22.28 0.67
## p_duration
                63973.52 63973.52 6.69 108.12 29.35
## bouncerates
                   0.16
                        0.16 3.34 17.79 0.00
## exitrates
                  0.15  0.15  1.86  5.39  0.00
## pagevalues
                  361.76 361.76 5.38 48.27 0.25
## specialday
                  1.00
                         1.00 4.43 19.36 0.00
## month*
                  10.00
                         9.00 -0.82 -0.39 0.03
## operatingsystems* 8.00 7.00 1.94 10.08 0.01
## browser*
                  13.00 12.00 3.39 13.84 0.02
## region*
                  9.00
                        8.00 0.97 -0.18 0.03
## traffictype*
                  20.00
                        19.00 2.14 4.57 0.05
## visitortype*
                  3.00
                        2.00 -1.61
                                     0.59 0.01
## weekend*
                   2.00
                         1.00 1.16 -0.66 0.01
## revenue*
                   2.00
                         1.00 1.41 -0.01 0.01
```

Getting additional Measures of Dispersion for numerical variables

```
num_vars <- final[,1:10]
```

Skewness

skew(num_vars)

[1] 1.574668 4.575444 3.062271 5.884487 3.733576 6.689829 3.344587 1.860296

[9] 5.379180 4.432755

We can see all numerical columns are highly skewed hence not a normal distribution.

We will have to normalise our dataset

computing the interquartile ranges for numerical variables

```
administrative_iqr
                   <- IQR(num_vars$administrative)
a_duration_iqr
                     <- IQR(num_vars$a_duration)
informational_iqr <- IQR(num_vars$informational)</pre>
i_duration_iqr
                     <- IQR(num_vars$i_duration)
productrelated_iqr <- IQR(num_vars$productrelated)</pre>
p_duration
                    <- IQR(num_vars$p_duration)
bouncerates_iqr
                      <- IQR(num_vars$bouncerates)
exitrates_iqr
                    <- IQR(num_vars$exitrates)
pagevalues_iqr
                      <- IQR(num_vars$pagevalues)
specialdaya_iqr
                      <- IQR(num_vars$specialday)
```

print("administrative_iqr:",quote=TRUE)

[1] "administrative_iqr:"

```
administrative_iqr
## [1] 4
print("a_duration_iqr :",quote=TRUE)
## [1] "a_duration_iqr :"
a_duration_iqr
## [1] 143
print("informational_iqr :",quote=TRUE)
## [1] "informational_iqr :"
informational_iqr
```

[1] 1

```
print("i_duration_iqr:",quote=TRUE)
## [1] "i_duration_iqr :"
i_duration_iqr
## [1] 21.2
print("productrelated_iqr :",quote=TRUE)
## [1] "productrelated_iqr :"
productrelated_iqr
## [1] 39
print("p_duration :",quote=TRUE)
## [1] "p_duration :"
```

```
p_duration
## [1] 1614.188
print("bouncerates_iqr :",quote=TRUE)
## [1] "bouncerates_iqr:"
bouncerates_iqr
## [1] 0.009608144
print("exitrates_iqr :",quote=TRUE)
## [1] "exitrates_iqr:"
exitrates_iqr
```

[1] 0.01832565

```
print("pagevalues_iqr:",quote=TRUE)
## [1] "pagevalues_iqr :"
pagevalues_iqr
## [1] 7.058281
print("specialdaya_iqr :",quote=TRUE)
## [1] "specialdaya_iqr:"
specialdaya_iqr
## [1] 0
```

Product related pages (p_duration) range is very high indicating people spend a lot of time on the site while others spend too little time on the site.

Bivariate & Multivariate

```
# Correlations
```

Computing a correlation matrix between all numerical variables using pearson method and rounding off to 2 decimal places

correlations <- cor(num_vars, method = "pearson")
round(correlations, 2)</pre>

productrelated 0.02

##	admir	istrative a_	duration	information	nal i_dura	tion	
##	administrative	1.00	0.46	0.30	0.21		
##	a_duration	0.46	1.00	0.23	0.20		
##	informational	0.30	0.23	1.00	0.61		
##	i_duration	0.21	0.20	0.61	1.00		
##	productrelated	0.36	0.20	0.33	0.26		
##	p_duration	0.30	0.30	0.36	0.35		
##	bouncerates	-0.06	-0.01	0.01	0.00		
##	exitrates	-0.14	-0.06	-0.04	-0.03		
##	pagevalues	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01		
##	specialday	-0.03	-0.04	-0.02	-0.01		
##	produ	ctrelated p_	_duration	bouncerate	es exitrate	es pagev	alues
##	administrative	0.36	0.30	-0.06	-0.14	0.02	
##	a_duration	0.20	0.30	-0.01	-0.06	0.02	
##	informational	0.33	0.36	0.01	-0.04	0.02	
##	i_duration	0.26	0.35	0.00	-0.03	0.01	
##	productrelated	1.00	0.86	-0.06	-0.16	0.02	
##	p_duration	0.86	1.00	-0.04	-0.10	0.01	
##	bouncerates	-0.06	-0.04	1.00	0.73	-0.10	
##	exitrates	-0.16	-0.10	0.73	1.00	-0.16	
##	pagevalues	0.02	0.01	-0.10	-0.16	1.00	
##	specialday	0.02	0.00	0.10	0.11	-0.04	
##	specia						
##	administrative	-0.03					
##	a_duration	-0.04					
##	informational	-0.02					
##	i_duration	-0.01					

```
## p_duration 0.00

## bouncerates 0.10

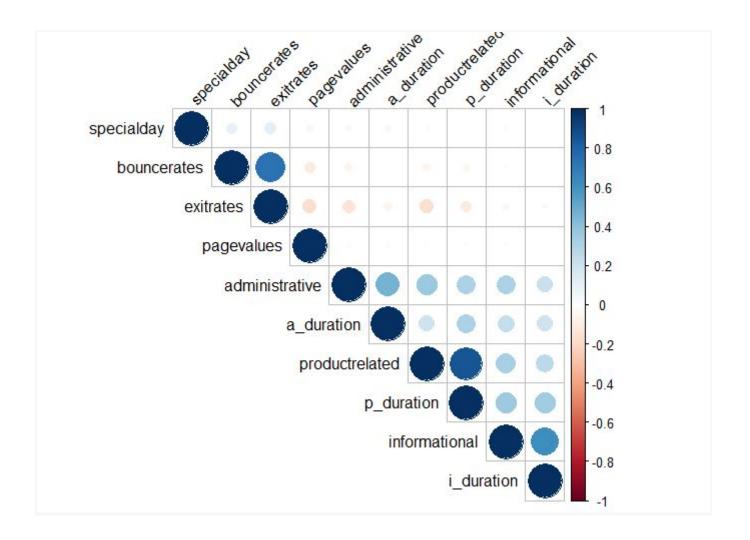
## exitrates 0.11

## pagevalues -0.04

## specialday 1.00
```

informational & i_duration, productrelated & p_duration, bouncerates & exitrates are strongly positively correlated by # 0.61, 0.86 & 0.73 respectively.

Viewing the correlations better to support the above notions



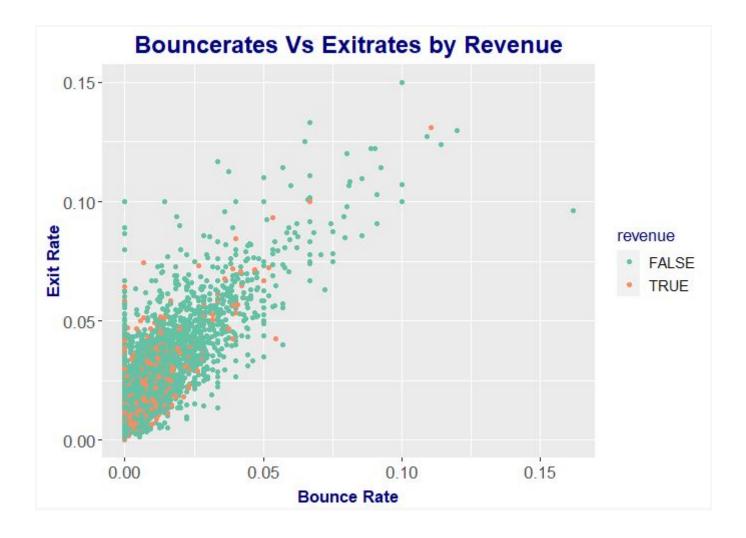
```
# Scatter Plots
```

Setting graph dimensions
options(repr.plot.width = 13, repr.plot.height = 7)

Plotting using ggplot() and using theme() for theme of the plot

```
bouncexit_rates = ggplot(data = final, aes(x = bouncerates, y = exitrates, col = revenue)) +
    geom_point() +
    labs(title = 'Bouncerates Vs Exitrates by Revenue', x = 'Bounce Rate', y = 'Exit Rate') +
    scale_color_brewer(palette = 'Set2') +
    theme(plot.title=element_text(size=18, face="bold", color="navyblue", hjust=0.5, lineheight=1.2),
    plot.subtitle=element_text(size=15, face="bold", hjust=0.5),
    axis.title.x = element_text(color = 'navyblue', size = 13, face = 'bold', vjust = -0.5),
    axis.title.y = element_text(color = 'navyblue', size = 13, face = 'bold', vjust = 0.5),
    axis.text.y = element_text(size = 13),
```

plot(bouncexit_rates)



There appears to be somekind of linear relationship between the two variables

When bouncerates and exitrates are lower on product related pages, there will be revenue as opposed to higher rates

Lower bouncerates and exitrates can also signify disinterest in the products on the page as well

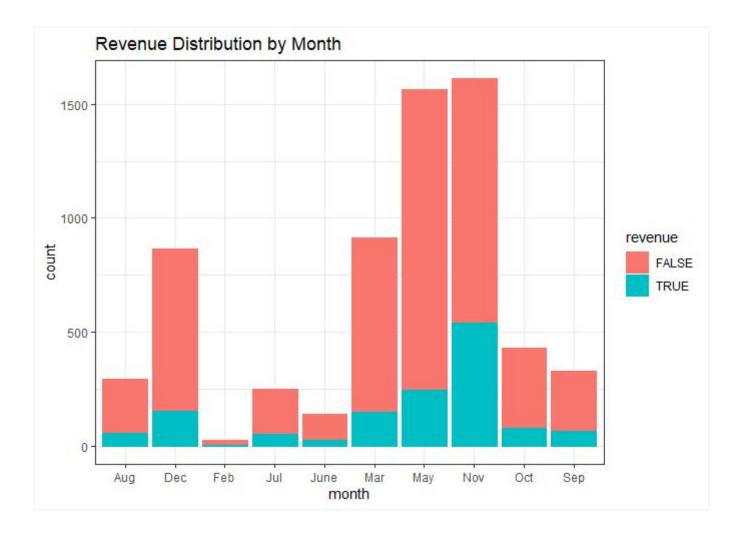
Combined Bar Charts

Using geom_bar to plot a combined bar chart with the count function for discrete variables such as the month in our dataset

c <- ggplot(final, aes(x=month, fill=revenue, color=revenue)) +
geom_bar(binwidth = 1) + labs(title="Revenue Distribution by Month")</pre>

Warning: Ignoring unknown parameters: binwidth

C + theme_bw()



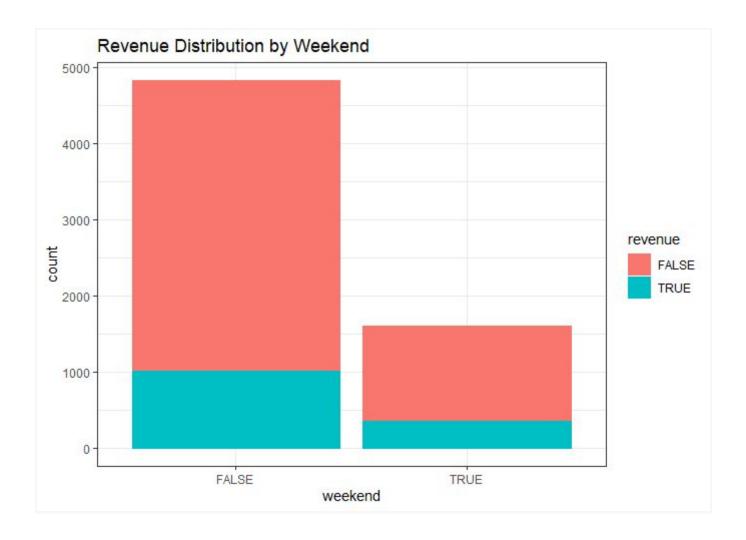
The months of Mar, May and November generate more activity hence more revenue. These months should be targeted to increase sales and profits

Using geom_bar to plot a combined bar chart for weekend and revenue

d <- ggplot(final, aes(x=weekend, fill=revenue, color=revenue)) +
geom_bar(binwidth = 1) + labs(title="Revenue Distribution by Weekend")</pre>

Warning: Ignoring unknown parameters: binwidth

 $d + theme_bw()$



The weekend does not bring in much revenue since activity is higher during weekdays. Therefore weekdays should be targeted more.

Combined Bar Charts

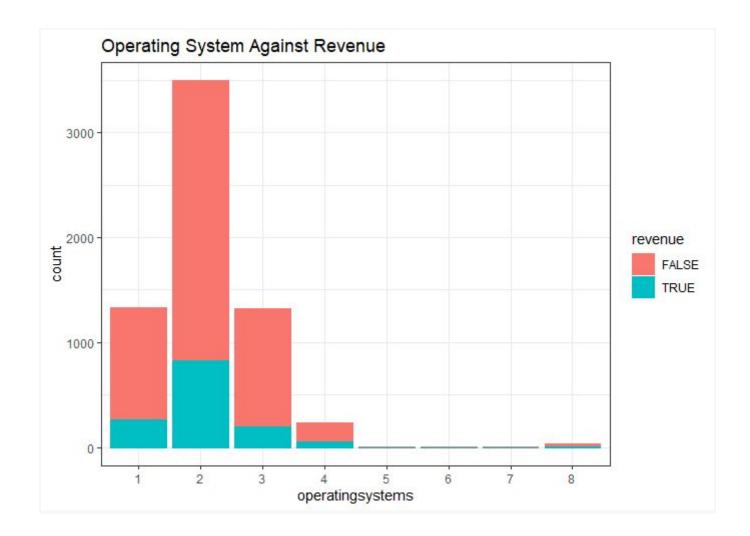
Using geom_bar to plot a combined bar chart for operating system and revenue

e <- ggplot(final, aes(x=operatingsystems, fill=revenue, color=revenue)) +

geom_bar(binwidth = 1) + labs(title="Operating System Against Revenue")

Warning: Ignoring unknown parameters: binwidth

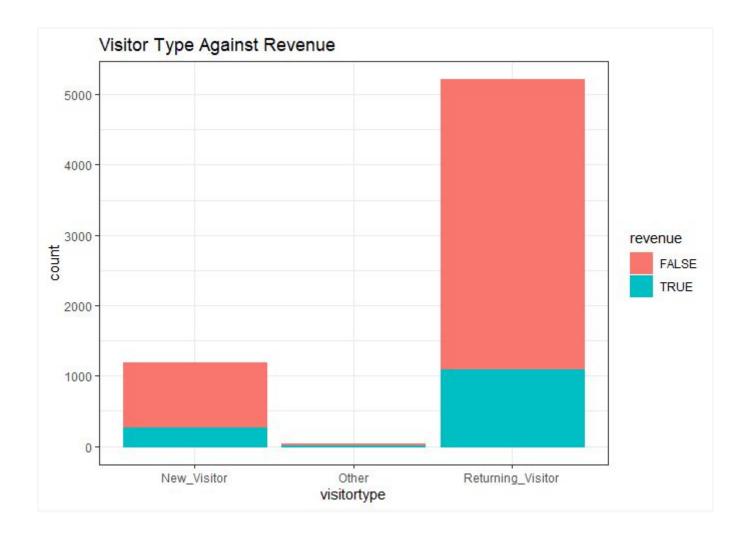
e + theme_bw()



Clients using the 1st, 2nd and 3rd operating systems are more active and bring in more revenue. These clients should be targeted in target marketing.

- # Combined Bar Charts
- # Using geom_bar to plot a combined bar chart for visitor type and revenue
- e <- ggplot(final, aes(x=visitortype, fill=revenue, color=revenue)) + geom_bar(binwidth = 1) + labs(title="Visitor Type Against Revenue")
- ## Warning: Ignoring unknown parameters: binwidth

e + theme_bw()



Returning visitors should be targeted first followed by new visitors since they bring more revenue

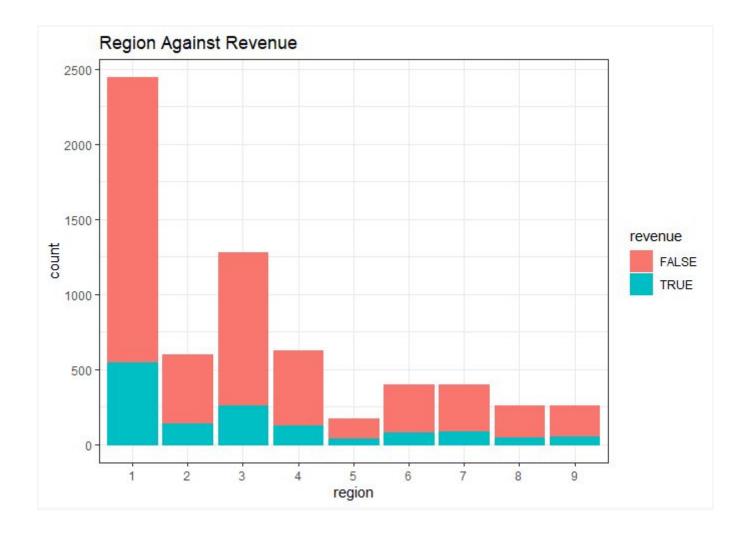
Combined Bar Charts

Using geom_bar to plot a combined bar chart for region and revenue

e <- ggplot(final, aes(x=region, fill=revenue, color=revenue)) + geom_bar(binwidth = 1) + labs(title="Region Against Revenue")

Warning: Ignoring unknown parameters: binwidth

e + theme_bw()



The first three regions can be target marketed for more returns since theyre more active

Combined Bar Charts

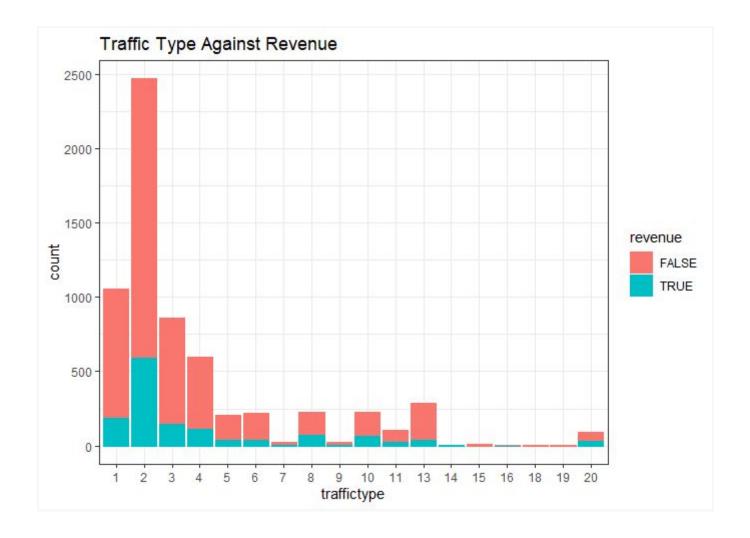
Using geom_bar to plot a combined bar chart for Traffic Type and revenue

e <- ggplot(final, aes(x=traffictype, fill=revenue, color=revenue)) +

geom_bar(binwidth = 1) + labs(title="Traffic Type Against Revenue")

Warning: Ignoring unknown parameters: binwidth

e + theme_bw()



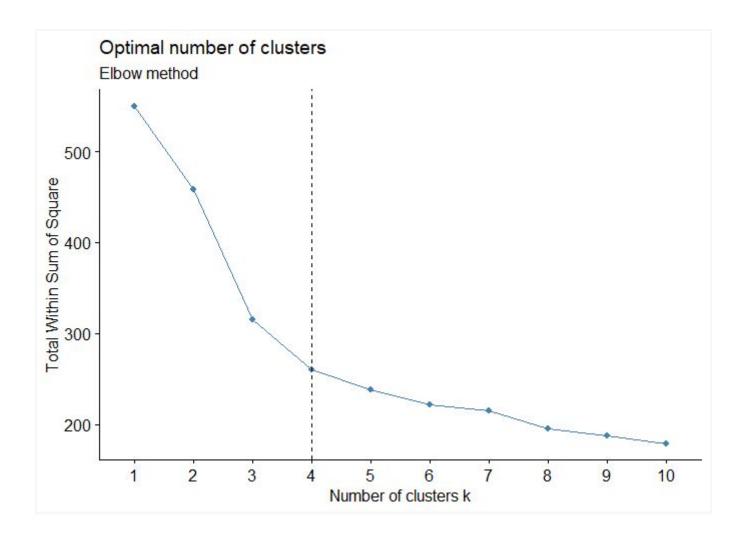
Traffic types 1 to 4 bring clients who are more active and generate more revenue, Especially traffic type 2.

6. Implement the Solution

Using K-Means

```
# Normalizing the dataset so that no particular attribute
# has more impact on clustering algorithm than others.
# ---
normalize <- function(x){
 return ((X-min(X)) / (max(X)-min(X)))
final2 <- final
# normalising first 10 numerical columns
final2$administrative <- normalize(final2$administrative)</pre>
final2$a_duration <- normalize(final2$a_duration)</pre>
final2$informational <- normalize(final2$informational)</pre>
final2$i_duration <- normalize(final2$i_duration)</pre>
final2$productrelated <- normalize(final2$productrelated)</pre>
final2$p_duration <- normalize(final2$p_duration)</pre>
final2$bouncerates <- normalize(final2$bouncerates)</pre>
final2$exitrates <- normalize(final2$exitrates)
final2$pagevalues <- normalize(final2$pagevalues)
final2$specialday <- normalize(final2$specialday)</pre>
# Obtaining optimal nearest neighbours using elbow method
pacman :: p_load(factoextra) # loading necessary library
fviz_nbclust(final2[,1:10], kmeans, method = "wss") +
```

geom_vline(xintercept = 4, linetype = 2)+
labs(subtitle = "Elbow method")



However, we already know our class has two clusters (True or False for Revenue)

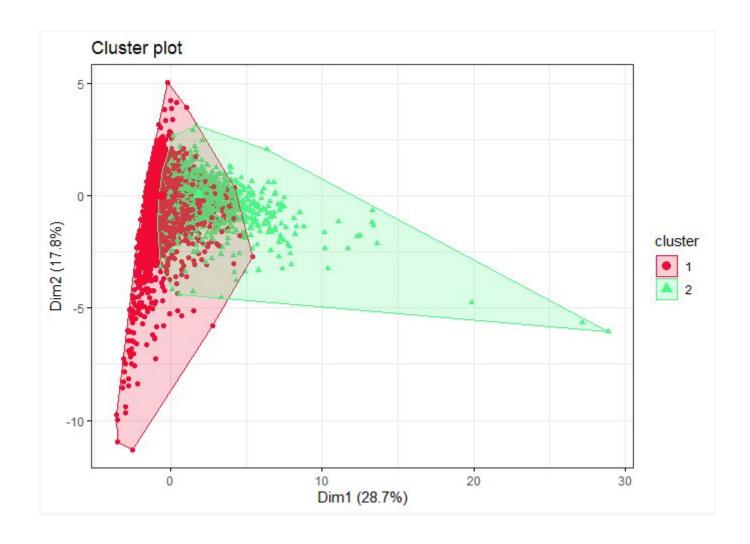
Applying the K-means clustering algorithm with no. of centroids(k)=2 and removing the label column revenue

result <- kmeans(final2[,1:10],2)</pre>

Previewing the no. of records in each cluster

result\$size

```
# Getting the value of cluster center datapoint value(2 centers for k=2)
result$centers
## administrative a_duration informational i_duration productrelated p_duration
        0.07192776\ 0.02934319 0.02100970\ 0.01141884 0.04553095\ 0.01886562
## 2 0.31398513 0.09391806 0.07435776 0.05562205 0.11550741 0.04816058
## bouncerates exitrates pagevalues specialday
## 1 0.04691164 0.1622612 0.02124630 0.04526120
## 2 0.03271248 0.1168250 0.02650383 0.01781428
# Getting the class
final.class <- final[,18]</pre>
# Setting plot options
\# par(mfrow = c(2,2), mar = c(5,4,2,2))
# Plotting to see how data points have been distributed in clusters using fviz_cluster
fviz_cluster(result, data = final2[, 1:10],
         palette = c("#f20b34", "#4cf886"),
         geom = "point",
         ellipse.type = "convex",
         ggtheme = theme_bw()
```



Getting the accuracy using a confusion matrix by comparing result cluster with our class

table(result\$cluster, final.class)

- ## final.class
- ## FALSE TRUE
- ## 1 3896 947
- ## 2 1170 413

Strengths and Limitations

K means is preferred or performs well when we have an idea of the number of clusters/centroids(k) we should have. In our case we already know our class as revenue which is true or false, hence k value of 2

- # Limitations
- # this algorithm only accepts numerical variables/features hence some important categorical features were not used in the clustering
- # This algorithm cannot work with NA values, noise or outliers in the dataset. It requires a more normally distributed dataset or data without extreme outliers

Using Hierarchichal Clustering

- # We note that the variables have a large different means and variances.
- # This is explained by the fact that the variables are measured in different
- # units
- # They must be standardized (scaled) to make them comparable such that
- # they have mean zero and standard deviation one.

final3 <- scale(final[,1:10])</pre>

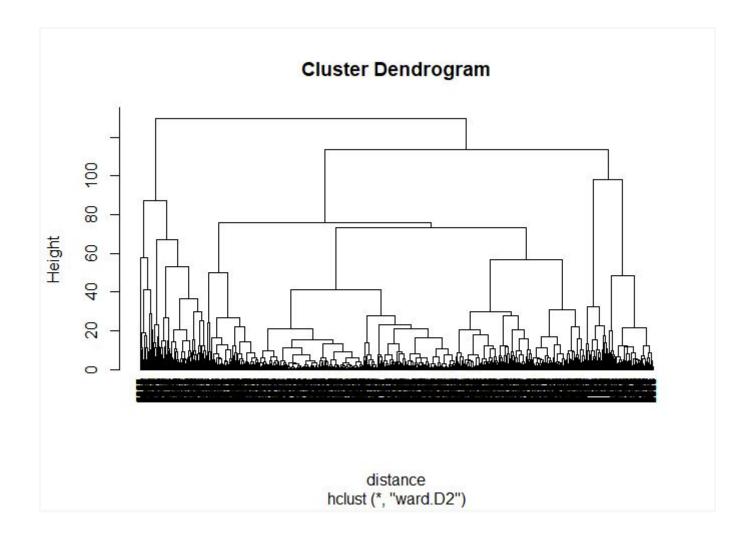
- # Using the dist() function to compute the Euclidean distance between observations,
- # and saving it in variable distance which will be the first argument in the following hclust() function dissimilarity matrix

distance <- dist(final3, method = "euclidean")</pre>

We then use hierarchical clustering using the Ward's method

result.hc <- hclust(distance, method = "ward.D2")

plot(result.hc, cex = 0.6, hang = -1)



The resulting dendogram shows too many clusters.

Strengths and Limitations

Strengths

It is easier and faster to use for a smaller dataset

- # Limitations
- # Since our dataset is large, hierarchical clustering is not the right fit since it creates too many clusters. Its not suited for large datasets especially when you have an idea of the size of clusters you want.
- # Its computationally expensive for very large datasets.

7. Challenge the Solution

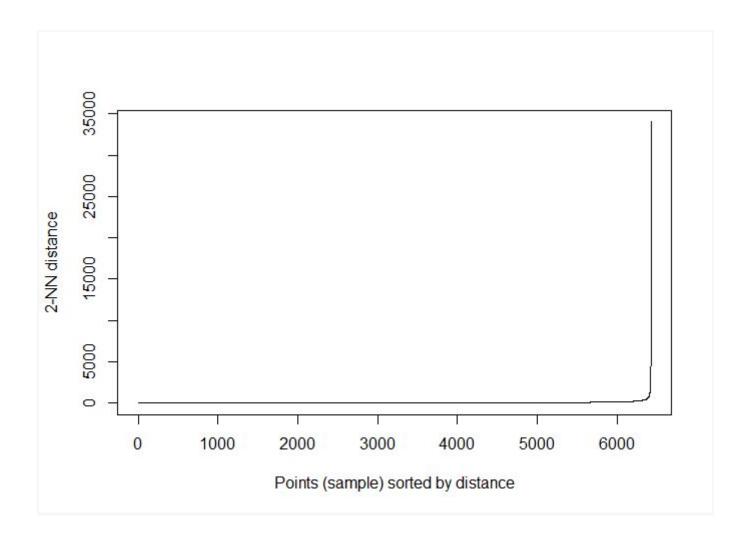
We challenge the solution using DBSCAN algorithm to see if it performs better clustering

Loading necessary libraries

pacman :: p_load(dbscan)

obtaining optimal nearest neighbours

kNNdistplot(final[,1:10],k=2)



shows optimal distance at approx 2000 for k value which we already know as 2 based on revenue class

```
# We want minimum 2 Cluster points with in a distance of eps(2000)
#

result_db <- dbscan(final[,1:10],eps=2000,MinPts = 2, borderPoints = TRUE)

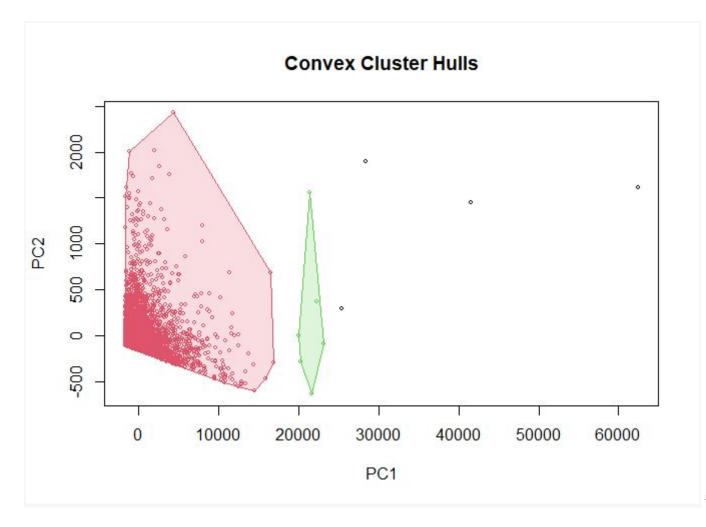
## Warning in dbscan(final[, 1:10], eps = 2000, MinPts = 2, borderPoints = TRUE):
## converting argument MinPts (fpc) to minPts (dbscan)!</pre>
```

result_db

```
## DBSCAN clustering for 6426 objects.
## Parameters: eps = 2000, minPts = 2
## The clustering contains 2 cluster(s) and 4 noise points.
##
## 0 1 2
## 46416 6
##
## Available fields: cluster, eps, minPts
```

We also plot our clusters using hullplot()

hullplot(final[,1:10],result_db\$cluster)



8. Follow Up Questions/Summary

This dataset was not the right dataset to answer or provide a solution to the problem. This is because its an imbalanced dataset and its too imbalanced to the extent we cannot downsample the majority class since the minority class is too small, hence that would reduce data for modelling.

We therefore require a new dataset that has a roughly equal measure of the revenue outcome.