Zapier Monthly Active User Analysis

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0.0.1 Importing modules and packages

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
   import numpy as np
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   import seaborn as sns
   import warnings
   import psycopg2
   import prophet
   from fbprophet import Prophet
   from fbprophet.plot import plot_plotly
   import plotly.offline as py
   import os
   warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
   %matplotlib inline
   py.init_notebook_mode()
   color = sns.color_palette()
   pd.set_option('display.float_format', lambda x: '%.3f' % x)
   sns.set(rc={'figure.figsize':(8,5)})
```

0.0.2 Connecting to the Zapier database

- A view called **active_users_analysis** has been created in the **jchumley** schema using the *tasks_used_da table*.
- We'll use the *psycopg* odbc module to connect to the Redshift cluster. Pandas will be used extensively in conjunction with Postgres/Redshift queries.
- The user, password, host, and database parameters are loaded from a .bashrc file.

0.0.3 Creating dataframe

• Let's create our first dataframe using pandas read_sql method.

```
[3]: query = """
    SELECT * FROM
    jchumley.active_users_analysis
    df = pd.read_sql(query, conn)
    df.head()
[3]:
                                           sum_tasks_used
              date
                    user_id account_id
                                                            cum_sum_tasks_used
       2017-01-01
                                        1
                                                        48
    1 2017-01-02
                           1
                                        1
                                                        65
                                                                             113
    2 2017-01-03
                           1
                                        1
                                                        71
                                                                             184
    3 2017-01-04
                           1
                                        1
                                                        64
                                                                             304
    4 2017-01-05
                           1
                                        1
                                                        74
                                                                             406
       num_days_since_last_active
                                     active
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                                                                      month dow num
                                              churned
    0
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                                                            1.000
                                                                    January
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    4
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                                                            1.000
                                                                    January
                                                                                    4
              dow
    0
          Sunday
          Monday
    1
    2
         Tuesday
    3
       Wednesday
        Thursday
```

• What is the shape of this dataset?

```
[4]: df.shape
```

[4]: (10547587, 12)

- There are ~10.5m rows and 12 columns.
- We'll also compute the ratio of missing values for each column.

```
[5]: df_na = (df.isnull().sum() / len(df)) * 100
df_na = df_na.drop(df_na[df_na == 0].index).sort_values(ascending=False)
missing_data = pd.DataFrame({'Missing Ratio' :df_na})
missing_data.head()
```

```
[5]: Empty DataFrame
Columns: [Missing Ratio]
```

Index: []

• Great, we don't have any null values!

0.1 Exploratory data analysis

0.1.1 Correlation Matrix

• Let's gain a deeper understanding of the associations between the features in this dataset. We'll use the pandas *corr* method to complete this task.

6]: df.corr()						
6]:	user_id	account_	id sum_ta	sks_used	\	
user_id	1.000	0.9	74	-0.022		
account_id	0.974	1.0	000	-0.019		
sum_tasks_used	-0.022	-0.0	1.000			
cum_sum_tasks_used	0.984	0.9	.958 -0.022			
num_days_since_last_active	0.021	0.0	20	-0.012		
active	-0.008	-0.0	80	0.004		
churned	0.007	0.0	06	-0.003		
month_num	0.108	0.1	.08	0.001		
dow_num	0.002	0.0	02	0.000		
	<pre>cum_sum_tasks_used num_days_since_last_active \</pre>					\
user_id	0.984				0.021	
account_id	0.958 0.020					
sum_tasks_used	-0.022 -0.012					
cum_sum_tasks_used		-0.022 -0.012 1.000 0.023 0.023 1.000				
<pre>num_days_since_last_active</pre>	0.023				1.000	
active						
churned	0.008 0.519					
month_num	0.096 0.060					
dow_num		0.023				
	active	churned	month_num	dow_num		
user_id	-0.008	0.007	0.108	0.002		
account_id	-0.008	0.006	0.108	0.002		
sum_tasks_used	0.004	-0.003	0.001	0.000		
cum_sum_tasks_used	-0.009	0.008	0.096	0.002		
<pre>num_days_since_last_active</pre>	-0.760	0.519	0.060	-0.031		
active	1.000	-0.873	-0.041	-0.000		
churned	-0.873	1.000	0.029	0.000		
month_num	-0.041	0.029	1.000	0.016		
dow_num	-0.000	0.000	0.016	1.000		

• For this stage of analysis, the user_id and account_id columns will be ignored since they are unique identifiers.

• Notice that there is a strong negative association between the features active and churn which makes sense since they are mutually exclusive.

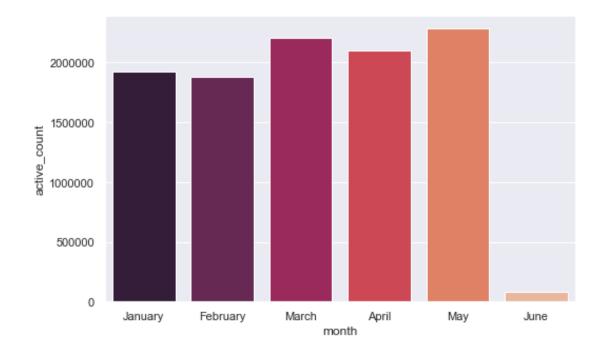
0.1.2 Active and churned users by month

- Let's take a look at counts of active and churned users.
- We'll run the following aggregate query to view churn and active user counts for each month in the dataset.

```
[7]: query_month = """
    SELECT month, month_num,
           count(CASE WHEN churned is TRUE then 1 END) as churned_count,
           count(CASE WHEN active is TRUE then 1 END) as active count,
           ROUND(100.0*count(CASE WHEN churned is TRUE then 1 END)/count(*),2) as ⊔

→churned_ratio,
           ROUND(100.0*count(CASE WHEN active is TRUE then 1 END)/count(*),2) as_
     →active_ratio,
           count(*) as total_user_count
            FROM jchumley.active_users_analysis
           GROUP BY month, month_num
    ORDER BY month num;
    df_month = pd.read_sql(query_month, conn)
[8]: df month
[8]:
          month month_num
                             churned_count
                                            active_count
                                                           churned_ratio \
                     1.000
                                                  1927467
                                                                   0.010
        January
                                       120
                     2.000
    1
      February
                                      8256
                                                  1881695
                                                                   0.440
          March
                     3.000
                                                                   0.580
    2
                                     12974
                                                 2207687
    3
          April
                     4.000
                                     12676
                                                 2100295
                                                                   0.600
    4
            May
                     5.000
                                     14207
                                                 2282399
                                                                   0.620
    5
           June
                     6.000
                                       964
                                                    83651
                                                                   1.140
       active_ratio
                     total_user_count
    0
             99.990
                               1927587
    1
             99.560
                               1889981
    2
             99.300
                               2223331
    3
             99.170
                               2117882
    4
             99.070
                               2303880
             98.500
                                 84926
[9]: sns.barplot(x='month', y='active_count', palette="rocket", data=df_month)
```

[9]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1a374513d0>



• We can see that May had the highest count of active users. June has a very low count, perhaps because of data availability. Let's verify.

```
[10]: query_june = """
    SELECT month, COUNT(DISTINCT(date))
    FROM jchumley.active_users_analysis
    GROUP BY month"""
    pd.read_sql(query_june, conn)

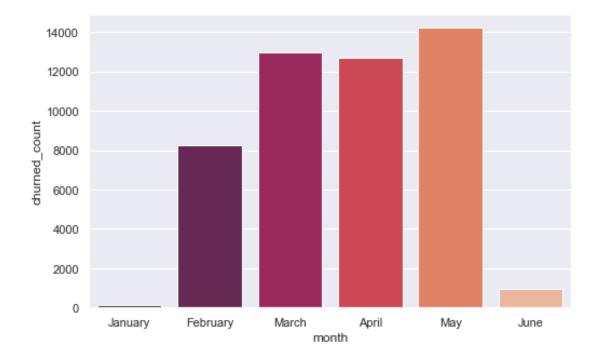
[10]: month count
    0 January 31
    1 Tune 1
```

```
0 January 31
1 June 1
2 May 31
3 April 30
4 February 28
5 March 31
```

• We can see that the dataset includes records from the first day of June 2017 but not other days in that month/year.

0.1.3 Churn by month

```
[11]: sns.barplot(x='month', y='churned_count', palette="rocket", data=df_month)
[11]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1a38a6a310>
```



- January's churn count would likely increase if records from 2016 were availabile.
- Potential factors contributing to June's relatively high churn count:
 - 1. Many users either chose to not renew or cancel their subscriptions on the first day of a given month.
 - 2. All June records are from the first day of the month.

0.1.4 Day of week analysis

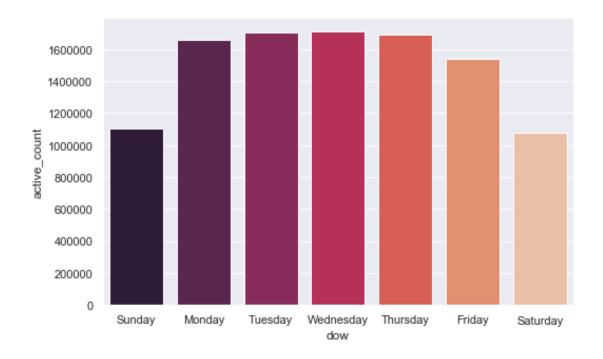
• We'll run a query similar to the one used to compute aggregates by month.

```
[13]: df_dow
[13]:
                              churned_count
               dow
                    dow_num
                                               active_count
                                                               churned_ratio
     0
            Sunday
                           0
                                        3619
                                                     1102657
                                                                       0.330
     1
           Monday
                           1
                                        8207
                                                     1657615
                                                                       0.490
     2
           Tuesday
                           2
                                        8524
                                                                       0.500
                                                     1703666
        Wednesday
                           3
     3
                                        9268
                                                     1708853
                                                                       0.540
     4
         Thursday
                           4
                                        8773
                                                     1689305
                                                                       0.520
     5
                           5
            Friday
                                         6805
                                                     1540253
                                                                       0.440
     6
         Saturday
                           6
                                                                       0.370
                                        4001
                                                     1080845
        active_ratio
                        total_user_count
     0
               99.570
                                  1107429
               99.370
     1
                                  1668200
     2
               99.340
                                  1714992
     3
               99.300
                                  1720901
     4
               99.320
                                  1700834
     5
               99.420
                                  1549246
     6
               99.530
                                  1085985
```

0.1.5 Counts of active users by day of week

```
[14]: sns.barplot(x='dow', y='active_count', palette="rocket", data=df_dow)
```

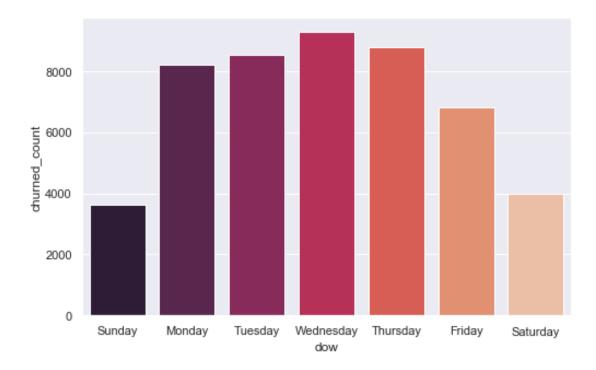
[14]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1a39d85550>



0.1.6 Counts of churned users by day of week

```
[15]: sns.barplot(x='dow', y='churned_count', palette="rocket", data=df_dow)
```

[15]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1a3a400050>



- Since Zapier is a B2B platform, its users are expected to be most active while they are in the
 office.
- Recall that **churned** and **active** have a very strong negative association (see the correlation matrix above), so it's expected that churn is higher during normal business hours.

0.1.7 Power Users

- Let's see who the top 10 Zapier users based on the sum_tasks_used column.
- We'll query the view total_sum_tasks_used which has the cumulative total of sum of tasks used for each user from the tasks_used_da table.

```
df_power_users
[16]:
        user_id total_sum_tasks_used pct_all_sum_tasks_used
         541993
                               15878183
                                                            3.120
                                                            2.470
     1
          19415
                               12574205
     2
         558906
                                8282192
                                                            1.630
     3
         645563
                                6153468
                                                            1.210
     4
         103042
                                3872036
                                                            0.760
        1830742
                                                            0.650
     5
                                3305466
     6
         166842
                                3136333
                                                            0.620
     7
         289586
                                                            0.520
                                2659815
     8
         617995
                                2335859
                                                            0.460
     9
         115417
                                2174002
                                                            0.430
        user_rank_by_sum_tasks_used
     0
                                    1
                                    2
     1
                                    3
     2
     3
                                    4
```

df_power_users = pd.read_sql(power_user_query, conn)

 Would be interesting to dig deeper into metadata on these users (e.g, age, industry, gender, profession, etc.)

0.2 Timeseries forecasting

- We'll use Prophet to forecast active users and churn into the next 365 days. See https://facebook.github.io/prophet/ if you're not familiar with Prophet.
- Let's run another aggregate query against the active_users_analysis view, this time we'll group by date.

```
ORDER BY date"""
     df_ts = pd.read_sql(user_aggregates_query, conn)
     df_ts.head()
[17]:
                     churned_count
                                     active_count
                                                    churned_ratio
                ds
                                                                    active_ratio
     0 2017-01-01
                                 0
                                            38903
                                                            0.000
                                                                         100.000
     1 2017-01-02
                                 0
                                            53046
                                                            0.000
                                                                         100.000
     2 2017-01-03
                                 0
                                            64350
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                                                                         100.000
     3 2017-01-04
                                 0
                                            65926
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                                                                         100.000
     4 2017-01-05
                                  0
                                            66304
                                                            0.000
                                                                         100.000
        total_count
     0
              38903
     1
              53046
     2
              64350
     3
              65926
     4
              66304
```

0.2.1 Forecast of Active Users

• Let's create a timeseries forecast of counts of active users into June 2018.

```
[18]: df_ts_active = df_ts.copy()
df_ts_active[['ds', 'y']] = df_ts[['ds', 'active_count']]
```

Instantiating and Prophet object and making predictions into June 2018.

```
[19]: m = Prophet()
m.fit(df_ts_active)
active_users_future = m.make_future_dataframe(periods=365)
active_users_future.tail()
```

INFO:fbprophet:Disabling yearly seasonality. Run prophet with yearly_seasonality=True to override this. INFO:fbprophet:Disabling daily seasonality. Run prophet with daily seasonality=True to override this.

```
[19]: ds
512 2018-05-28
513 2018-05-29
514 2018-05-30
515 2018-05-31
516 2018-06-01
```

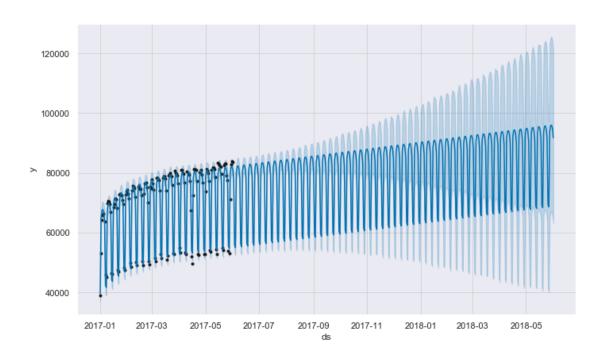
```
[20]: active_users_forecast = m.predict(active_users_future)
active_users_forecast[['ds', 'yhat_', 'yhat_lower', 'yhat_upper']].tail()
```

```
[20]: ds yhat yhat_lower yhat_upper 512 2018-05-28 93785.262 65043.437 123242.307 513 2018-05-29 95813.956 66943.975 125219.928
```

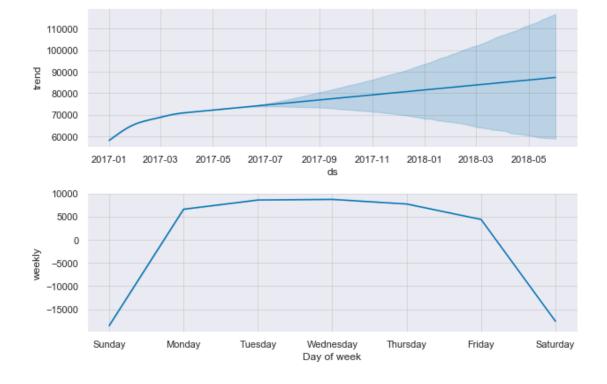
```
514 2018-05-30 95986.144 66981.395 125528.416
515 2018-05-31 95036.977 65946.426 124151.378
516 2018-06-01 91740.225 63269.911 121109.604
```

Visualizing our active users forecast

[21]: fig = m.plot(active_users_forecast)



[22]: fig2 = m.plot_components(active_users_forecast)



- The model is predicting a steady growth of active users into June 2018.
- The weekly plot component shown above aligns with our day of week analysis.

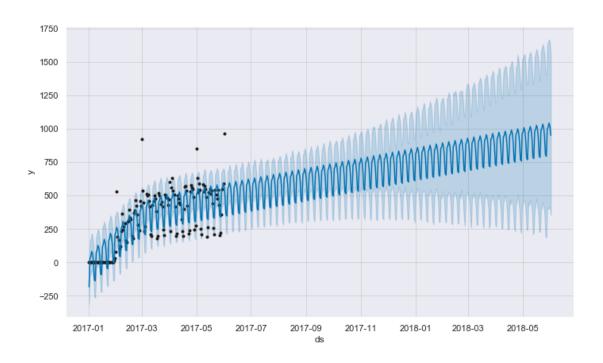
0.2.2 Forecast of Churned Users

Similarly, let's create a timeseries forecast of counts of churned users into June 2018.

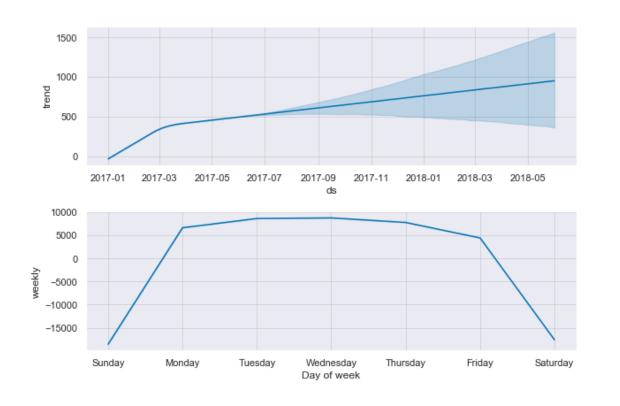
```
[23]: df_ts_churned = df_ts.copy()
     df_ts_churned[['ds', 'y']] = df_ts[['ds', 'churned_count']]
     df_ts_churned.head()
[23]:
                     churned_count
                                     active_count
                                                    churned_ratio
                                                                    active_ratio
        2017-01-01
                                  0
                                            38903
                                                            0.000
                                                                         100.000
     1 2017-01-02
                                  0
                                            53046
                                                            0.000
                                                                         100.000
     2
        2017-01-03
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                                            64350
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     3 2017-01-04
                                  0
                                            65926
                                                            0.000
                                                                         100.000
       2017-01-05
                                  0
                                            66304
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                                                                         100.000
        total_count
     0
              38903
                      0
     1
              53046
                     0
     2
              64350
                      0
     3
              65926
                      0
     4
              66304
```

Instantiating and Prophet object and making predictions

```
[24]: m2=Prophet()
     m2.fit(df_ts_churned)
     churned_future = m2.make_future_dataframe(periods=365)
     churned_future.tail()
    INFO:fbprophet:Disabling yearly seasonality. Run prophet with
    yearly_seasonality=True to override this.
    INFO: fbprophet: Disabling daily seasonality. Run prophet with
    daily_seasonality=True to override this.
[24]:
                 ds
    512 2018-05-28
    513 2018-05-29
    514 2018-05-30
     515 2018-05-31
     516 2018-06-01
[25]: churned_user_forecast = m2.predict(churned_future)
     churned_user_forecast[['ds', 'yhat', 'yhat_lower', 'yhat_upper']].tail()
[25]:
                 ds
                        yhat yhat_lower yhat_upper
    512 2018-05-28 999.565
                                 408.261
                                             1629.298
    513 2018-05-29 1011.668
                                 398.676
                                             1647.355
     514 2018-05-30 1043.238
                                 411.981
                                             1669.813
    515 2018-05-31 1018.547
                                 405.901
                                             1648.968
    516 2018-06-01 949.444
                                 352.415
                                             1545.710
    Visualizing out churned users forecast
[26]: fig = m2.plot(churned_user_forecast)
```



[28]: fig2 = m.plot_components(churned_user_forecast)



- Similar to the forecast of active users, churn is predicted to have steady growth into June 2018 but also at a higher rate.
- Unlike the active user plot, we can see outliers in churn at the end of each month. This could be due to a large number of users who are registered under monthly billing subscriptions.

0.2.3 Business recommendations

- Identify new data sources related to Zapier user metadata (e.g.,registration date, plan type, first usage date, acquisition channel, date of birth, gender, industry, etc.)
- Using additional data source combined with the task_used_da table, develop user metadata features
- Develop a logistic regression model to generate churn probability scores for each user
- Perform cohort analysis to group users by shared attributes
- For users who have churned, send out a survey to understand why they have decided to no longer use the Zapier platform
- Using the logistic regression model, identify high-value power users who are at risks of churn
- Run A/B testing experiments and compare churn rates between the test and control slices
- Reach out to users who are on monthly subscription plans prior to the end of the month via email or another communication channel with the goal of customer retention