

# CODEflix

Calculate Churn Rate with SQL Judy Ping McCormick 31st DEC 2020

# **T1. Sample of Subscription table**

id	subscription_start	subscription_end	segment
1	2016-12-01	2017-02-01	87
14	2016-12-01	2017-03-07	30

SELECT \*
FROM subscriptions
LIMIT 100;

### T2. Range

Can not calculate churn rate for December, no 'subscription\_end' value, as Codeflix requires a minimum subscription length of 31 days, but can do for Jan, Feb and March.

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

#### SELECT MIN(subscription\_start), MIN(subscription\_end), MAX(subscription\_start), MAX(subscription\_end) FROM subscriptions;

### T3. Create "Months" Table

first_day	last_day
2017-01-01	2017-01-31
2017-02-01	2017-02-28
2017-03-01	2017-03-31

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)
SELECT \*
FROM months;

# T4. 'Cross\_join' table = 'subscription' table join 'months' table

id	subscription_start	subscription_end	segment	first_day	last_day
1	2016-12-01	2017-02-01	87	2017-01-01	2017-01-31
1	2016-12-01	2017-02-01	87	2017-02-01	2017-02-28

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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 subscriptions
CROSS JOIN months)
SELECT * FROM cross_join;
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### T5. Create 'status' table from 'cross\_join' table

id	month	is_active_87	is_active_30
1	2017-01-01	1	0
1	2017-02-01	0	0
1	2017-03-01	0	0

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 subscriptions CROSS JOIN months ),

Status AS (SELECT id, first\_day AS month, CASE WHEN (subscription\_start < first\_day)
AND segment = 87 AND (subscription\_end > first\_day OR subscription\_end IS NULL)
THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_active\_87,

CASE WHEN (subscription\_start < first\_day) AND segment = 30 AND (subscription\_end > first\_day OR subscription\_end IS NULL) THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_active\_30 FROM cross\_join ) SELECT \* FROM status:

## T6. add 'is\_canceled' column to 'status' table

id	month	is_active_87	is_active_30	87	30
1	2017-01-01	1	0	0	0
1	2017-02-01	0	0	1	0
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					

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cross\_join AS ( SELECT \* FROM subscriptions CROSS JOIN months),

UNION SELECT '2017-03-01' AS first day, '2017-03-31' AS last day),

status AS (SELECT id, first\_day AS month,
CASE WHEN (subscription\_start < first\_day) AND segment = 87
AND (subscription\_end > first\_day OR subscription\_end IS NULL) THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_active\_87,
CASE WHEN (subscription\_start < first\_day) AND segment = 30
AND (subscription\_end > first\_day OR subscription\_end IS NULL)

THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is active 30,

CASE WHEN (segment = 87) AND (subscription\_end BETWEEN first\_day AND last\_day) THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_canceled\_87, CASE WHEN (segment = 30) AND (subscription\_end BETWEEN first\_day AND last\_day) THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_canceled\_30 FROM cross\_join) SELECT \* FROM status;

T7. 'status\_aggregate' table

month	sum_active_87	sum_active_30	sum_canceled_87	sum_canceled_30
2017-01-01	278	291	70	22
2017-02-01	462	518	148	38
2017-03-01	531	716	258	84

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 subscriptions CROSS JOIN months),

Status AS (SELECT id, first\_day AS month, CASE WHEN (subscription\_start < first\_day)

AND segment = 87

AND (subscription\_end > first\_day OR subscription\_end IS N ULL)

THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_active\_87,

CASE WHEN (subscription\_start < first\_day)

AND segment = 30 AND (subscription\_end > first\_day

OR subscription\_end IS NULL)

THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_active\_30,

CASE WHEN (segment = 87) AND (subscription\_end BETWEEN first\_day AND last\_day)

THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_canceled\_87, CASE WHEN (segment = 30) AND

(subscription\_end BETWEEN first\_day AND last\_day)
THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_canceled\_30
FROM cross\_join),

status\_aggregate AS ( SELECT month, SUM(is\_active\_87) AS sum\_active\_87, SUM(is\_active\_30) AS sum\_active\_30, SUM(is\_canceled\_87) AS sum\_canceled\_87, SUM(is\_canceled\_30) AS sum\_canceled\_30 FROM status GROUP BY month)

SELECT \* FROM status\_aggregate;

#### T8. churn rate

CROSS JOIN months),

month	churn_rate%_87	churn_rate%_30
2017-01-01	25	7
2017-02-01	32	7
2017-03-01	48	11

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 subscriptions

Status AS (SELECT id, first\_day AS month,

THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_active\_30,

CASE WHEN (subscription\_start < first\_day)

AND segment = 87

AND (subscription\_end > first\_day OR subscription\_end IS N ULL)

THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_active\_87,

CASE WHEN (subscription\_start < first\_day)

AND segment = 30 AND (subscription\_end > first\_day)

OR subscription\_end IS NULL)

CASE WHEN (segment = 87) AND (subscription\_end BETWEEN first\_day AND last\_day)
THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_canceled\_87,
CASE WHEN (segment = 30) AND
(subscription\_end BETWEEN first\_day AND last\_day)
THEN 1 ELSE 0 END AS is\_canceled\_30

status\_aggregate AS ( SELECT month, SUM(is\_active\_87) AS sum\_active\_87, SUM(is\_active\_30) AS sum\_active\_30, SUM(is\_canceled\_87) AS sum\_canceled\_87, SUM(is\_canceled\_30) AS sum\_canceled\_30 FROM status GROUP BY month)

FROM cross join),

SELECT month, 100 \* sum\_canceled\_87/ sum\_active\_87 AS churn\_rate\_87, 100 \* sum\_canceled\_30/ sum\_active\_30 AS churn\_rate\_30 FROM status\_aggregate;

### **Conclusions:**

- 1. Overall churn rates for segment 87 is much higher than segment 30, should we drop segment 87?
- 2. Churn rates for both segments 87 & 30 increase from January to March, has the momentum been lost as the year progresses?

month	churn_rate%_87	churn_rate%_30
2017-01-01	25	7
2017-02-01	32	7
2017-03-01	48	11