RFM-Analysis.R

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# Title: RFM analysis on CDNOW data
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# Data: CDNOW customer data (this time full data)
# Source: provided by Professor Bruce Hardie on
   http://www.brucehardie.com/datasets/CDNOW_sample.zip
# ===== CLEAR EVERYTHING ======
rm(list = ls())
# ===== READ TRIAL DATA ======
url <- 'https://dl.dropboxusercontent.com/s/xxfloksp0968mgu/CDNOW_sample.txt'
if (!file.exists('CDNOW sample.txt')) {
                                     # check whether data exists in local folder
 (prevents downloading every time)
   download.file(url, 'CDNOW sample.txt')
df.raw <- read.fwf('CDNOW sample.txt', width = c(6, 5, 9, 3, 8), stringsAsFactors = F)</pre>
# load data
# ===== Section 2: loading the data ======
df.raw[[1]] <- NULL # drop old id</pre>
names(df.raw) <- c("id", "date", "qty", "expd")</pre>
head(df.raw)
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## id date qty expd
## 1 1 19970101 2 29.33
## 2 1 19970118 2 29.73
## 3 1 19970802 1 14.96
## 4 1 19971212 2 26.48
## 5 2 19970101 3 63.34
## 6 2 19970113 1 11.77
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# a) generate year and month
df.raw$date <- as.Date(as.character(df.raw$date), format = "%Y%m%d")</pre>
df.raw$year <- as.numeric(format(df.raw$date, "%Y"))</pre>
df.raw$month <- as.numeric(format(df.raw$date, "%m"))</pre>
head(df.raw)
##
              date qty expd year month
## 1 1 1997-01-01
                     2 29.33 1997
## 2 1 1997-01-18
                     2 29.73 1997
                                       1
## 3
     1 1997-08-02
                     1 14.96 1997
                                       8
     1 1997-12-12
                     2 26.48 1997
                                      12
## 4
## 5 2 1997-01-01
                     3 63.34 1997
                                       1
## 6 2 1997-01-13
                     1 11.77 1997
                                       1
# b) aggregate into monthly data with number of trips and total expenditure
individual_month <- aggregate(.~ id + year + month, data = df.raw, FUN = sum)</pre>
head(individual month)
##
     id year month date qty expd
## 1 1 1997
                 1 19741
                           4 59.06
## 2 2 1997
                 1 19736
                            4 75.11
## 3 3 1997
                 1 9862
                           1 6.79
## 4
      4 1997
                 1 9862
                            1 13.97
## 5 5 1997
                 1 9862
                           2 23.94
## 6 6 1997
                 1 19734
                            2 68.98
num trips <- aggregate(qty ~ id + year + month, data = df.raw, FUN = length)</pre>
colnames(num trips)[4] <- "trips"</pre>
df <- subset(cbind(individual month, num trips),</pre>
             select = c("id", "year", "month", "qty", "expd", "trips"))
head(df)
##
     id year month qty expd trips
                 1
                     4 59.06
                                  2
## 1 1 1997
## 2 2 1997
                     4 75.11
                 1
                                  2
      3 1997
                     1 6.79
                                  1
## 3
                 1
## 4
      4 1997
                 1
                     1 13.97
                                  1
## 5
      5 1997
                 1
                     2 23.94
                                  1
                     2 68.98
## 6
      6 1997
                 1
                                  2
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# c) generate a table of year-months, merge, replace no trip to zero.
# Hint: how do you deal with year-months with no trip? These periods are not in the orig
inal data,
    but you might need to have these periods when you calcualte RFM, right?
# Consider expanding the time frame using expand.grid() but you do not have to.
df <- df[
 with(df, order(id)),
]
head(df)
##
        id year month qty expd trips
         1 1997
                         4 59.06
## 1
                    1
                         1 14.96
## 1965 1 1997
                    8
                                     1
## 2225
        1 1997
                        2 26.48
                                     1
                   12
## 2
         2 1997
                        4 75.11
                                     2
                    1
## 3
         3 1997
                        1 6.79
                                     1
                    1
         4 1997
## 4
                    1
                         1 13.97
                                     1
ym <- expand.grid(year = 1997:1998,</pre>
                  month = 01:12,
                  id = unique(df$id))
ym <- ym[!(ym\$year == 1998 \& ym\$month >6),]
head(ym)
     year month id
##
## 1 1997
              1 1
## 2 1998
              1 1
## 3 1997
              2
                 1
## 4 1998
              2 1
## 5 1997
              3 1
## 6 1998
              3 1
df <- merge(df, ym, by = c("id", "year", "month"), all = TRUE)</pre>
miss.rw <- is.na(df$qty)</pre>
df[miss.rw, 4:6] <- 0
head(df)
     id year month qty expd trips
## 1 1 1997
                 1
                      4 59.06
                     0 0.00
## 2 1 1997
                 2
                                  0
## 3 1 1997
                 3
                     0 0.00
                                  0
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1 1997

1 1997

6 1 1997

4

5

0 0.00

0.00

0 0.00

0

0

0

4

5

6

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# now we should have the dataset we need; double check to make sure that every consumer
 is in every period
# ===== Section 3.1: recency ======
# use repetition statement, such as a "for-loop", to generate a recency measure for each
consumer
   in each period. Hint: if you get stuck here, take a look at Example 3 when we talked
about "for-loops"
   call it df$recency
df$start <- ifelse(df$qty != 0, 1, 0)</pre>
df$recency = NA
suppressWarnings(for (i in 1:nrow(df)) {
 temp = max(which(df\$start[1:i-1] == 1 \& df\$id[1:i-1] == df\$id[i]))
 df$recency[i] = i - temp
})
options(warn = -1)
warnings(5)
df ecency [df ear == 1997 & df month == 1] <- NA
head(df)
```

```
id year month qty expd trips start recency
## 1 1 1997
                 1
                     4 59.06
                                 2
                                       1
                                              NA
## 2 1 1997
                 2
                     0 0.00
                                 0
                                       0
                                               1
## 3 1 1997
                     0 0.00
                                               2
                 3
                    0 0.00
## 4
     1 1997
                4
                                 0
                                       0
                                               3
                 5
                     0 0.00
                                       0
                                               4
## 5 1 1997
                                 0
                                               5
## 6 1 1997
                     0 0.00
                                 0
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# ===== Section 3.2: frequency ======
# first define quarters and collapse/merge data sets
# quarters should be e.g. 1 for January-March, 1997, 2 for April-June, 1997, ...
# and there should be 6 quarters in the 1.5-year period
# Next, let's define frequency purchase occasions in PAST QUARTER
# Call this df$frequency

df$quarter <- ifelse(df$year > 1997, 4 + ceiling(df$month/3), ceiling(df$month/3))
head(df)
```

```
##
     id year month qty expd trips start recency quarter
## 1 1 1997
                 1
                     4 59.06
                                 2
                                        1
                                               NA
                                                        1
## 2 1 1997
                 2
                     0 0.00
                                 0
                                       0
                                                1
                                                        1
## 3 1 1997
                     0 0.00
                                       0
                                                2
                                                        1
                 3
                                 0
## 4 1 1997
                 4
                     0 0.00
                                 0
                                       0
                                                3
                                                        2
## 5 1 1997
                 5
                     0 0.00
                                 0
                                       0
                                                4
                                                        2
                     0 0.00
## 6 1 1997
                                 0
                                       0
                                                5
                                                        2
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for (i in 1:1000) {
   for (q in 2:6) {
      df$frequency[df$id == i & df$quarter == q] <-
      sum(df$trips[df$id == i & df$quarter == q-1])
   }
}
head(df)</pre>
```

```
##
     id year month qty expd trips start recency quarter frequency
## 1
     1 1997
                  1
                      4 59.06
                                    2
                                          1
                                                  NA
                                                            1
                                                                     NA
     1 1997
                  2
                      0
                         0.00
                                    0
                                          0
                                                   1
                                                            1
## 2
                                                                     NA
      1 1997
                  3
                      0
                         0.00
                                    0
                                          0
                                                   2
                                                            1
                                                                     NA
## 3
                      0 0.00
                                                   3
## 4
      1 1997
                  4
                                    0
                                          0
                                                            2
                                                                      2
                      0 0.00
                                                                       2
## 5
      1 1997
                  5
                                    0
                                          0
                                                   4
                                                            2
                        0.00
                                                   5
                                                            2
                                                                       2
## 6 1 1997
                      0
                                          0
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# ===== Section 3.3: monetary value ======
# average monthly expenditure in the months with trips (i.e. when expenditure is nonzer
o)
# for each individual in each month, find the average expenditure from the beginning t
o
# the PAST MONTH. Call this df$monvalue

df$exp_month = ifelse(df$expd == 0, 0, 1)
head(df)
```

```
##
     id year month gty expd trips start recency quarter frequency exp month
## 1 1 1997
                  1
                       4 59.06
                                    2
                                          1
                                                  NA
                                                            1
                                                                      NA
                                                                                  1
## 2 1 1997
                       0
                          0.00
                                    0
                                          0
                                                   1
                                                            1
                                                                      NA
                                                                                  0
                  2
                         0.00
                                          0
                                                   2
                                                                      NA
## 3
      1 1997
                  3
                       0
                                    0
                                                            1
                                                                                  0
## 4
      1 1997
                  4
                       0
                         0.00
                                    0
                                          0
                                                   3
                                                            2
                                                                       2
                                                                                  0
                                                   4
                                                            2
                                                                       2
                                                                                  0
## 5
      1 1997
                  5
                       0
                        0.00
                                    0
                                          0
                       0.00
                                                   5
                                                            2
                                                                       2
## 6 1 1997
                  6
                                    0
                                          0
                                                                                  0
```

```
for (i in 1:nrow(df)) {
   sum_exp = NA
   sum_mon = NA
   sum_exp <- sum(df$expd[which(df$exp_month[1:i-1] == 1 & df$id[1:i-1] == df$id[i])])
   sum_mon <- sum(df$exp_month[which(df$exp_month[1:i-1] == 1 & df$id[1:i-1] == df$id
[i])])

   df$monval[i] = sum_exp / sum_mon
}
df$monval[df$year == 1997 & df$month == 1] <- NA
head(df)</pre>
```

```
##
     id year month qty
                          expd trips start recency quarter frequency exp_month
## 1
      1 1997
                   1
                       4 59.06
                                    2
                                           1
                                                   NA
                                                             1
                                                                       NA
## 2
      1 1997
                   2
                       0
                          0.00
                                     0
                                           0
                                                    1
                                                             1
                                                                       NA
                                                                                    0
                                                    2
                       0
                          0.00
                                           0
                                                                                    0
##
  3
      1 1997
                   3
                                     0
                                                             1
                                                                       NA
                          0.00
                                                    3
                                                             2
                                                                        2
## 4
      1 1997
                   4
                       0
                                    0
                                           0
                                                                                    0
                          0.00
## 5
      1 1997
                   5
                       0
                                    0
                                           0
                                                    4
                                                             2
                                                                        2
                                                                                    0
                       0 0.00
                                           0
                                                    5
                                                             2
                                                                         2
                                                                                    0
## 6
      1 1997
                   6
                                     0
##
     monval
## 1
          NA
## 2
      59.06
      59.06
## 3
      59.06
## 4
## 5
      59.06
## 6
      59.06
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# ===== Section 4: Targeting using RFM ======
# now combine these and construct an RFM index
# You only need to run this section.

b1 <- -0.05
b2 <- 3.5
b3 <- 0.05

df$index <- b1*df$recency + b2*df$frequency + b3*df$monval
head(df)</pre>
```

```
##
     id year month qty
                          expd trips start recency quarter frequency exp_month
                                    2
## 1
      1 1997
                  1
                       4 59.06
                                           1
                                                   NA
                                                             1
                                                                       NA
                                                                                   1
                          0.00
## 2
      1 1997
                  2
                                           0
                                                    1
                                                             1
                                                                       NA
                                                                                   0
      1 1997
                          0.00
## 3
                       0
                                    0
                                           0
                                                    2
                                                             1
                                                                       NA
                                                                                   0
                  3
                          0.00
                                    0
                                           0
                                                    3
                                                             2
                                                                        2
                                                                                   0
## 4
      1 1997
                  4
                       0
                                                    4
                                                             2
                                                                        2
## 5
      1 1997
                  5
                       0
                          0.00
                                    0
                                           0
                                                                                   0
                         0.00
                                                    5
                                                             2
                                                                        2
## 6
      1 1997
                  6
                                           0
                                                                                   0
##
     monval index
## 1
         NA
                NA
## 2
      59.06
                NA
      59.06
## 3
                NA
      59.06 9.803
## 4
      59.06 9.753
## 5
      59.06 9.703
## 6
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# validation: check whether the RFM index predict customer purchase patterns
# Order your sample (still defined by keys of consumer-year-month) based on the RFM inde
x.
# Split your sample into 10 groups. The first group is top 10% in terms of
# the RFM index; second group is 10%-20%, etc.
# Make a bar plot on the expected per-trip revenue that these consumers generate and com
ment on
# whether the RFM index help you segment which set of customers are "more valuable"

df_check <- df[order(df$index),]
df_check$qtl <- as.numeric(cut(df_check$index,quantile(df_check$index, seq(0,1,0.1), na.
rm = T)))
ave_expd <- aggregate(expd~qtl, df_check, FUN = mean)
head(ave_expd)</pre>
```

```
## qtl expd
## 1 1 0.4552292
## 2 2 0.4560691
## 3 3 1.0561685
## 4 4 1.1792426
## 5 5 1.6857564
## 6 6 2.5403748
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barplot(ave_expd[,2],
    main = "Average expenditure by deciles in the RFM index",
    xlab = "Deciles in the RFM index",
    ylab = "Average expenditure",
    names.arg = ave_expd[,1])
```

Average expenditure by deciles in the RFM index

