

COMPARISON OF AUG v. JUL MONTHS

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REMARKS:

.... This analysis studies the variable `timedelay(invite-to-quote)`. I measure this metric in terms of hours and as follows: for each invite having a matching quote, subtract the invite's `sent_time` from the quote's `sent_time`. Then, for each day of the months in question, we focus on only those invites that were initiated that day and had a matching quote anywhere into the future. This analysis has a weakness with respect to long-term outlooks in quote reply time (e.g., weeks later, spanning into the next month, etc), however, the data reflects the average time delay typically within a single day. I will refer from here on to this metric as `i2q_hrs`. The goal is to determine whether the `i2q_hrs` for July and August represent different distributions and hopefully identify any relevant business insight related to emerging differences. My approach will be to perform `t` tests and explore component effects via aggregation with respect to various factors of interest such as day of the month of the invite, category of the invite, location, day of the week, hour of the day for both months and determine if significant differences with respect to this small dataset appear to emerge.

A1: THE INPUT DATA

TABLE categories FIRST ROWS:

	category_id	name
1	1	Photography
2	2	Window Installation
3	3	Portrait Photography
4	4	Wedding Band
5	5	Home Security and Alarms

TABLE invites FIRST ROWS:

	invite_id	request_id	user_id	sent_time
1	1	1	312	2013-07-01 13:20:05.072029
2	2	1	850	2013-07-01 15:49:33.110849
3	3	1	555	2013-07-01 13:39:18.608330
4	4	1	917	2013-07-01 08:56:11.751781
5	5	1	215	2013-07-01 08:40:24.151670

TABLE locations FIRST ROWS:

	location_id	name
1	1	New York-Newark-Jersey City, NY-NJ-PA
2	2	Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA
3	3	Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, IL-IN-WI
4	4	Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX
5	5	Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX

TABLE quotes FIRST ROWS:

	quote_id	invite_id	sent_time
1	1	4	2013-07-01 11:04:44.204874
2	2	5	2013-07-01 10:39:30.083032
3	3	6	2013-07-01 16:43:37.668191
4	4	8	2013-07-01 22:10:35.168437
5	5	9	2013-07-01 13:02:03.174618

TABLE requests FIRST ROWS:

	request_id	user_id	category_id	location_id	creation_time
1	1	1001	46	35	2013-07-01 07:48:54.000000
2	2	1002	83	19	2013-07-01 04:55:25.000000
3	3	1003	63	91	2013-07-01 09:34:53.000000
4	4	1004	56	2	2013-07-01 10:16:40.000000
5	5	1005	64	11	2013-07-01 03:45:47.000000

TABLE users FIRST ROWS:

	user_id	email
1	1	william@idxydp.com
2	2	william@dhgtae.com
3	3	liam@aqpvh.com
4	4	elizabeth@hpgruv.com
5	5	isabella@omwtj.com

REMARKS:

.... The input data comprises five tables. for this analysis, I will focus on just three of the tables: request, quotes, and invites and augment then with some derived data to analyze the variable of concern: `timedelay(invite-to-quote)`. Next, I construct the design matrix derived via a series of left joins

A2: DESIGN MATRIX: MERGE INVITES, REQUEST, QUOTES

REMARKS:

.... Above, I added several derived fields: `day`, `month`, `day-of-week` (all these being defined with respect to invite's sent time). I also added a replied field which simply codifies whether the invite was answered with a quote. Finally, the `i2q_hrs` metric was added as defined above

DESIGN MATRIX SUMMARY:

request_id	invite_id	user_id.x	sent_time.x	quote_id	sent_time.y	ts.x
Min. : 1	Min. : 4	Min. : 1.0	Length:12790	Min. : 1	Length:12790	Min. :1.373e+09
1st Qu.:1299	1st Qu.: 6574	1st Qu.: 235.0	Class :character	1st Qu.: 3198	Class :character	1st Qu.:1.374e+09
Median :2520	Median :12636	Median : 500.0	Mode :character	Median : 6396	Mode :character	Median :1.375e+09
Mean :2511	Mean :12537	Mean : 497.2		Mean : 6396		Mean :1.375e+09
3rd Qu.:3733	3rd Qu.:18598	3rd Qu.: 746.0		3rd Qu.: 9593		3rd Qu.:1.377e+09
Max. :4961	Max. :24622	Max. :1000.0		Max. :12819		Max. :1.378e+09

ts.y	i2q_hrs	replied	time_hrs	date	month	dow
Min. :1.373e+09	Min. : 0.0614	0: 0	Min. : 0.8839	Length:12790	Length:12790	Monday :2189

1st Qu.:1.374e+09
Median :1.375e+09
Mean :1.375e+09
3rd Qu.:1.377e+09
Max. :1.378e+09

1st Qu.: 1.3968
Median : 2.7253
Mean : 4.4825
3rd Qu.: 5.3659
Max. :98.5258

1:12790

1st Qu.: 384.1797
Median : 748.1650
Mean : 750.5901
3rd Qu.:1116.4666
Max. :1487.5520

Class :character
Mode :character

Tuesday :2247
Wednesday:2042
Thursday :1929
Friday :1741
Saturday :1422
Sunday :1220

creation time
Length:12790
Class :character
Mode :character

daynum
Length:12790
Class :character
Mode :character

hour
Length:12790
Class :character
Mode :character

i2q_hrs_log
Min. : -2.7904
1st Qu.: 0.3342
Median : 1.0026
Mean : 1.0057
3rd Qu.: 1.6801
Max. : 4.5903

user_id.y
Min. :1001
1st Qu.:2299
Median :3520
Mean :3511
3rd Qu.:4733
Max. :5961

category_id
Min. : 1.00
1st Qu.: 28.00
Median : 63.00
Mean : 60.43
3rd Qu.: 89.00
Max. :113.00

location_id
Min. : 1.00
1st Qu.: 2.00
Median : 8.00
Mean : 19.06
3rd Qu.: 28.00
Max. :100.00

A: VISUALIZATION: DATA INSPECTION AND CONDITIONING

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The figure consists of two vertically stacked plots. The top plot is a line plot showing the distribution of 'i2q_hrs' over time. The x-axis is labeled 'i2q_hrs' and ranges from 0 to 75. The y-axis is labeled 'count' and ranges from 0 to 300. The plot shows a sharp peak at the beginning (around x=5) and then a long, low tail extending to the right. The bottom plot is a histogram showing the distribution of 'i2q_hrs_log'. The x-axis is labeled 'i2q_hrs_log' and ranges from -2.5 to 2.5. The y-axis is labeled 'count' and ranges from 0 to 400. The histogram shows a roughly bell-shaped distribution centered around 0.0, with a slight right skew. The bars are colored in a light blue/cyan color.

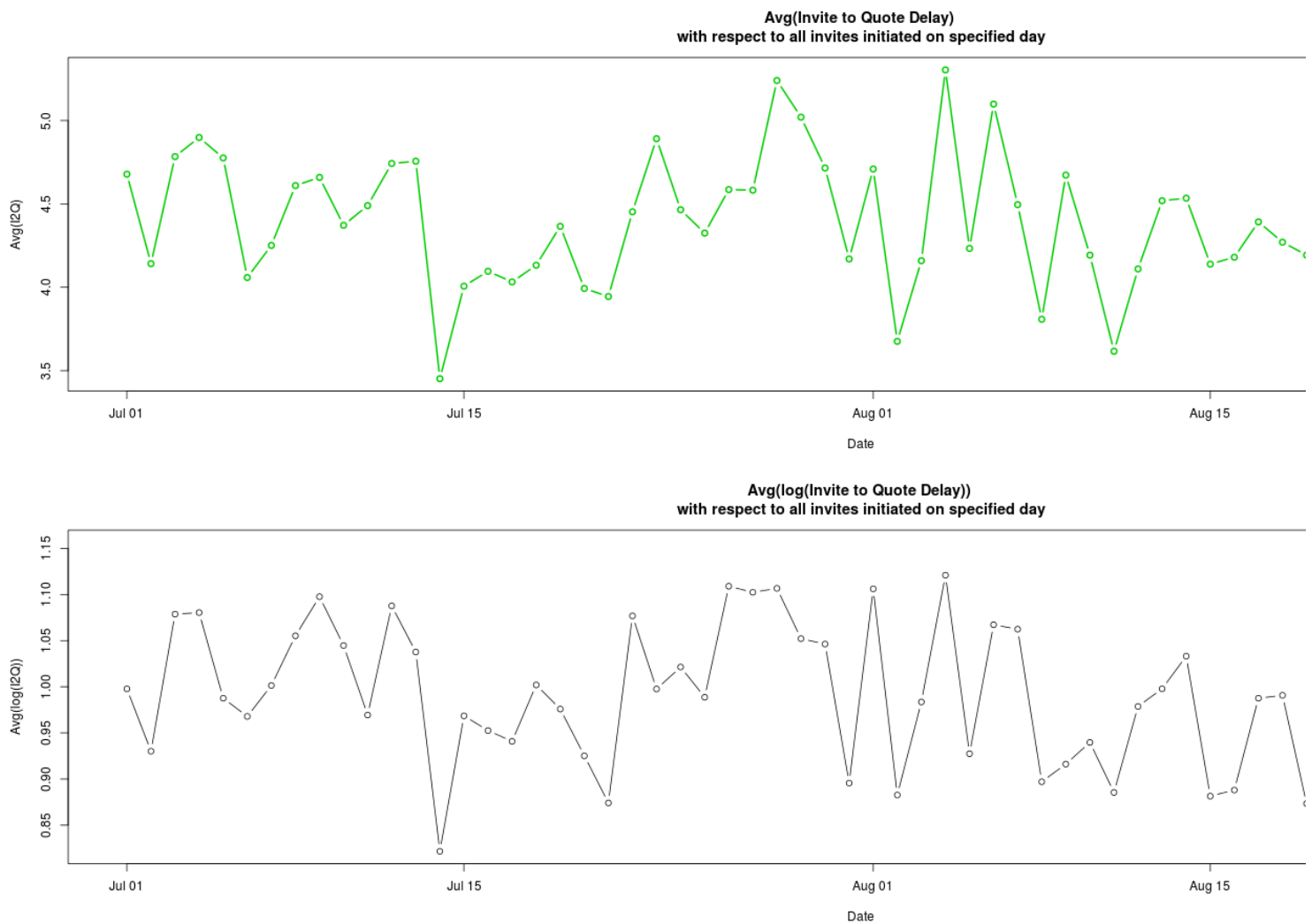
REMARKS:

.... The first plot shows that the i2q_hrs timeseries appears to be lognormally distributed; therefore, requiring a log() transform to bring the i2q_hrs time series into a normally distributed timeseries. As shown by the histogram on the second plot, after the log transform was applied, the log(i2q_hrs) significantly resembled a potentially

normal distribution. Of course, this normality assumption will be shortly evaluated.

B: VISUALIZATION: PLOT OF AVG(INVITE TO QUOTE DELAY I2Q FOR INVITES SENT IN GIVEN DAY

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REMARKS:

.... The plot above shows the original `i2q_hrs` timeseries (i.e., `delaytime(invite-to-quote)` measured in hours). The second plot shows the log-transformed time timeseries, i.e., `log(i2q_hrs)`. Note that the timeseries appears to have a potential monthly pattern (approximately stationary for first two weeks, followed by dip and then, an upwards rally for two weeks until the end of the month). However, with such little data is impossible to examine this and it is left as a pending issue for subsequent examination.

C1: CONFIDENCE INTERVALS FOR POPULATION MEANS: $\log(i2q)$ wrt JUL and AUG

CONFIDENCE INTERVAL FOR JUL MEAN:

One Sample t-test

```
data: exp(jul_samples)
t = 65.536, df = 6352, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 4.318109 4.584404
sample estimates:
mean of x
 4.451256
```

CONFIDENCE INTERVAL FOR AUG MEAN:

One Sample t-test

```
data: exp(aug_samples)
t = 63.322, df = 6436, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 4.373638 4.653089
sample estimates:
mean of x
 4.513364
```

REMARKS:

.... Both means are non-zero and the confidence intervals of the means allow the inclusion of the mean for Jul significantly overlaps with the confidence interval for the mean for Aug

C: TEST ASSUMPTION: $\log(i2q)$ data normality tests

Shapiro-Wilk normality test

```
data: jul_aug_samples[subset]
W = 0.9997, p-value = 0.8777
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Shapiro-Wilk normality test

```
data: jul_samples[subset]
W = 0.9995, p-value = 0.4592
```

Shapiro-Wilk normality test

```
data: aug_samples[subset]
W = 0.9997, p-value = 0.758
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REMARKS:

.... The null-hypothesis of this test is that the population is normally distributed. Resultant p-values for Jul, Aug, and Jul+Aug indicate that cannot be discarded that the samples were taken from normal distributions

D: TEST ASSUMPTION: homo/heteroskedasticity

VARIANCE OF POPULATION SAMPLES BY MONTH

	month	i2q_hrs_log
1	07	0.9826153
2	08	1.0079729

REMARKS:

.... At first inspection, variance of the log(invite_to_quote delay time) appears similar enough. A variance test is applied next.

TEST WRT RATIO OF VARIANCES FROM SAMPLED POPULATIONS

F test to compare two variances

data: jul_samples and aug_samples
F = 0.9748, num df = 6352, denom df = 6436, p-value = 0.3084
alternative hypothesis: true ratio of variances is not equal to 1
99.9 percent confidence interval:
0.8978175 1.0584952
sample estimates:
ratio of variances
0.9748429

REMARKS:

.... The alternative hypothesis is rejected, that is, at reasonable confidence levels of 0.999 (or 1 out of 2000), a very high p-value (>0.3) indicates that there is NO evidence that a statistically significant difference between the ratio of the variances exists. Similarly, the confidence interval for the ratio of the variances spans the the ratio 1.

E1: APPLYING STANDARD TWO-SAMPLE T-TEST

TWO SAMPLE, TWO-SIDED, T-TEST FOR DIFFERENCE OF MEANS:

Two Sample t-test

```
data: i2q_hrs_log by month
t = 0.3087, df = 12788, p-value = 0.7575
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
99.9 percent confidence interval:
-0.05262445  0.06351876
sample estimates:
mean in group 07 mean in group 08
1.008449          1.003001
```

REMARKS:

.... A two-sided t-test for difference in the sample means from populations having equal variances was applied. The test indicated that at a confidence interval of 0.999 (i.e., 1/2000), strongly failed to accept the alternative hypothesis that the difference between the means of the two sampled populations ought to be zero and thus the same. A very strong p-value indicated this not to be the case. As expected, the confidence interval for the difference between these means spans zero, indicative that there is NO discernible difference between these sampled means for July and August.

E2: ANALYSIS OF VARIANCE: One Way Analysis of Variance

ONE WAY ANOVA RESULTS:

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
as.factor(month)	1	0	0.0643	0.065	0.799
Residuals	12704	12643	0.9952		

REMARKS:

.... A one-way anova test for testing whether samples in these two months are drawn from populations with the same mean values (H_0) or (H_1) they is statistically significant difference with respect to their means (that is, component effect). The analysis of variance fitted with respect to months, after removing NAs and balancing the data indicates that there is a significant component effect with respect to month towards invite-to-quote delay time (log scale). This is misleading with respect to other findings. Therefore, we review the assumptions necessary for the anova test to be meaningful.

- 1) the dependent variable Invite2QuoteDelayTime is continuous: OK,
- 2) the independent variable Month has two levels (Jul, Aug) OK,
- 3) the observed measurements are independent samples (TROUBLESOME).
This means that there is no intuition or knowledge about a possible relationship between the observations within or between groups and this is contrary to known human nature in bidding and recommender systems).
- 4) there appear to be two significant outliers at 3 sigma levels (TROUBLESOME),
- 5) the dependent variable ought to be normally distributed (OK, wrt log(I2Q_hrs).
- 6) the variance of the groups is homogeneous (OK).

Assumption (3) is a known issue on this domain and the presence of apparent seasonality on the dependent variable time series indicates that even an ARIMA model may be better suited to explain recurring end-of-week behavior as hinted in findings below. Finally, this claim is consistent with the facts that the anova coefficients (component contributions) are essentially the same.

E3: ANALYSIS OF VARIANCE: LM

ALTERNATIVE ANOVA JUL+AUG VIA LINEAR MODEL

```
Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ month, data = riq)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-3.7989 -0.6701 -0.0032  0.6744  3.5819

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  1.008449   0.012517  80.566  <2e-16 ***
month08      -0.005447   0.017644  -0.309   0.758
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.9977 on 12788 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  7.453e-06, Adjusted R-squared:  -7.074e-05
F-statistic: 0.09531 on 1 and 12788 DF,  p-value: 0.7575
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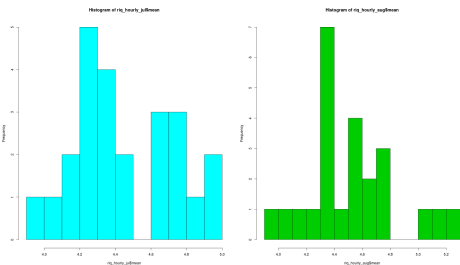
REMARKS:

.... Application of ANOVA equivalent techniques via the lm model to access individual component effects provides NO indication of a statistically significant effect due to month. Albeit the month8 is selected, the model is dominated by the intercept (i.e., a constant output of approx. 1). Finally, ,R2, F, and p values are indicative of a poor fit for which the month provides NO statistical significance component effect.

E4: EXAMINING PRESENCE OF PER FACTOR-LEVEL CHANGES

E5: FACTOR-LEVEL: CHANGES WRT HOUR OF DAY

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HOURLY OF DAY: ANOVA JUL VIA AOV

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
as.factor(hour)	23	17	0.7523	0.765	0.779
Residuals	6329	6224	0.9835		

HOUR OF DAY: ANOVA AUG VIA AOV

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
as.factor(hour)	23	26	1.139	1.131	0.301
Residuals	6413	6461	1.008		

HOUR OF DAY: ANOVA JUL VIA LM

```

Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ as.factor(hour), data = riq[riq$month ==
"07", ])

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-3.9055 -0.6526 -0.0035  0.6769  3.4753

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  1.049980   0.061502  17.072  <2e-16 ***
as.factor(hour)01 -0.069774   0.088298  -0.790   0.4294
as.factor(hour)02 -0.045700   0.087316  -0.523   0.6007
as.factor(hour)03 -0.044121   0.088298  -0.500   0.6173
as.factor(hour)04 -0.071337   0.084093  -0.848   0.3963
as.factor(hour)05  0.031687   0.085558   0.370   0.7111
as.factor(hour)06 -0.035910   0.084028  -0.427   0.6691
as.factor(hour)07 -0.015383   0.087665  -0.175   0.8607
as.factor(hour)08 -0.007874   0.085859  -0.092   0.9269
as.factor(hour)09 -0.062706   0.088580  -0.708   0.4790
as.factor(hour)10 -0.073080   0.088206  -0.829   0.4074
as.factor(hour)11 -0.169863   0.087577  -1.940   0.0525 .
as.factor(hour)12  0.065068   0.084629   0.769   0.4420
as.factor(hour)13 -0.067843   0.087145  -0.779   0.4363
as.factor(hour)14 -0.015608   0.085558  -0.182   0.8553
as.factor(hour)15 -0.028520   0.086811  -0.329   0.7425
as.factor(hour)16 -0.105024   0.084907  -1.237   0.2162
as.factor(hour)17 -0.007637   0.085558  -0.089   0.9289
as.factor(hour)18 -0.015856   0.086247  -0.184   0.8541
as.factor(hour)19  0.037208   0.086977   0.428   0.6688
as.factor(hour)20 -0.111580   0.086090  -1.296   0.1950
as.factor(hour)21 -0.043290   0.088298  -0.490   0.6240
as.factor(hour)22 -0.041494   0.087402  -0.475   0.6350
as.factor(hour)23 -0.121007   0.087932  -1.376   0.1688
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.9917 on 6329 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.002772, Adjusted R-squared:  -0.0008517
F-statistic: 0.765 on 23 and 6329 DF,  p-value: 0.7788

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HOUR OF DAY: ANOVA AUG VIA LM

```

Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ as.factor(hour), data = riq[riq$month ==
"08", ])

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-3.5279 -0.6712 -0.0057  0.6758  3.2890

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  0.94156   0.06225  15.126  <2e-16 ***
as.factor(hour)01  0.03052   0.08737   0.349   0.7269
as.factor(hour)02 -0.03321   0.08466  -0.392   0.6949
as.factor(hour)03  0.00564   0.08795   0.064   0.9489
as.factor(hour)04  0.02768   0.08682   0.319   0.7499
as.factor(hour)05  0.12093   0.08855   1.366   0.1721
as.factor(hour)06  0.08416   0.08637   0.974   0.3299
as.factor(hour)07  0.07120   0.08975   0.793   0.4276
as.factor(hour)08  0.03039   0.08706   0.349   0.7270

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as.factor(hour)09 0.21652 0.08937 2.423 0.0154 *
as.factor(hour)10 0.11769 0.09086 1.295 0.1953
as.factor(hour)11 0.07501 0.08690 0.863 0.3881
as.factor(hour)12 0.12837 0.08847 1.451 0.1468
as.factor(hour)13 0.15638 0.08847 1.768 0.0772 .
as.factor(hour)14 0.12458 0.08737 1.426 0.1540
as.factor(hour)15 0.01697 0.08909 0.190 0.8490
as.factor(hour)16 -0.05176 0.08803 -0.588 0.5566
as.factor(hour)17 0.06333 0.08698 0.728 0.4666
as.factor(hour)18 -0.01455 0.08511 -0.171 0.8643
as.factor(hour)19 0.06181 0.08623 0.717 0.4735
as.factor(hour)20 0.15703 0.08615 1.823 0.0684 .
as.factor(hour)21 0.02497 0.08559 0.292 0.7705
as.factor(hour)22 0.04679 0.08762 0.534 0.5933
as.factor(hour)23 0.05712 0.08587 0.665 0.5059
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 1.004 on 6413 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.00404, Adjusted R-squared:  0.000468
F-statistic: 1.131 on 23 and 6413 DF, p-value: 0.3007

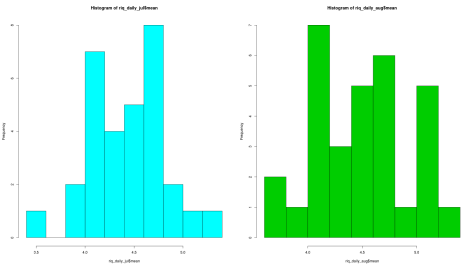
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REMARKS:

.... From examination of the hour-of-day based aggregation visualization, there are appear to be a handful of hours: (specifically, 1AM, 9AM, 1PM, 8PM) at which observable difference takes place, nevertheless, for the majority of hour of day, there is NO statistically significant component effect for hour-of-day for either Jul or Aug subsets. A MILD exception exist for the month of Aug at 9AM hour-of-day but this again occurs at weak R2, F, and p values. NO day of hour was found to have a strong stat. significant. component effect.

E6: FACTOR-LEVEL: CHANGES WRT DAY OF MONTH

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DAY OF MONTH: ANOVA JUL VIA AOV

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
as.factor(daynum)	30	29	0.9804	0.998	0.469
Residuals	6322	6212	0.9826		

DAY OF MONTH: ANOVA AUG VIA AOV

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
as.factor(daynum)	30	42	1.400	1.392	0.0757 .
Residuals	6406	6445	1.006		

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

DAY OF MONTH: ANOVA JUL VIA LM

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Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ as.factor(daynum), data = riq[riq$month ==
"07", ])

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-3.7313 -0.6624 -0.0046  0.6751  3.6209

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  0.9977334   0.0758047   13.162 <2e-16 ***
as.factor(daynum)02 -0.0675810   0.0996380   -0.678  0.498
as.factor(daynum)03  0.0810537   0.1014669    0.799  0.424
as.factor(daynum)04  0.0827229   0.1050204    0.788  0.431
as.factor(daynum)05 -0.0101162   0.1067409   -0.095  0.924
as.factor(daynum)06 -0.0298644   0.1105034   -0.270  0.787
as.factor(daynum)07  0.0036958   0.1099357    0.034  0.973
as.factor(daynum)08  0.0575551   0.0982123    0.586  0.558
as.factor(daynum)09  0.0999518   0.0996380    1.003  0.316
as.factor(daynum)10  0.0470290   0.1036064    0.454  0.650
as.factor(daynum)11 -0.0283030   0.1034848   -0.273  0.784
as.factor(daynum)12  0.0899737   0.1041041    0.864  0.387
as.factor(daynum)13  0.0399372   0.1086827    0.367  0.713
as.factor(daynum)14 -0.1760760   0.1093869   -1.610  0.108
as.factor(daynum)15 -0.0292229   0.0992862   -0.294  0.769
as.factor(daynum)16 -0.0451747   0.0966052   -0.468  0.640
as.factor(daynum)17 -0.0569024   0.1026628   -0.554  0.579
as.factor(daynum)18  0.0042702   0.1033642    0.041  0.967
as.factor(daynum)19 -0.0218473   0.1022150   -0.214  0.831
as.factor(daynum)20 -0.0725285   0.1121166   -0.647  0.518
as.factor(daynum)21 -0.1236406   0.1132060   -1.092  0.275
as.factor(daynum)22  0.0791899   0.0970907    0.816  0.415
as.factor(daynum)23 -0.0001373   0.0991142   -0.001  0.999
as.factor(daynum)24  0.0236799   0.0970907    0.244  0.807
as.factor(daynum)25 -0.0090734   0.0962720   -0.094  0.925
as.factor(daynum)26  0.1112968   0.1065896    1.044  0.296
as.factor(daynum)27  0.1047262   0.1090310    0.961  0.337
as.factor(daynum)28  0.1089680   0.1085114    1.004  0.315
as.factor(daynum)29  0.0544534   0.0979785    0.556  0.578
as.factor(daynum)30  0.0485971   0.0999090    0.486  0.627
as.factor(daynum)31 -0.1020968   0.1009585   -1.011  0.312
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.9913 on 6322 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.004712, Adjusted R-squared:  -1.057e-05
F-statistic: 0.9978 on 30 and 6322 DF,  p-value: 0.4693
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DAY OF MONTH: ANOVA AUG VIA LM

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Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ as.factor(daynum), data = riq[riq$month ==
"08", ])

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-3.4686 -0.6752 -0.0080  0.6710  3.3193

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  1.106188   0.065294   16.942 <2e-16 ***
as.factor(daynum)02 -0.223566   0.096668   -2.313  0.0208 *
as.factor(daynum)03 -0.122616   0.102156   -1.200  0.2301
as.factor(daynum)04  0.014828   0.103108    0.144  0.8857
as.factor(daynum)05 -0.178719   0.091126   -1.961  0.0499 *
as.factor(daynum)06 -0.038905   0.087667   -0.444  0.6572
as.factor(daynum)07 -0.043758   0.092940   -0.471  0.6378
as.factor(daynum)08 -0.209118   0.095767   -2.184  0.0290 *
as.factor(daynum)09 -0.190008   0.097072   -1.957  0.0503 .
as.factor(daynum)10 -0.166501   0.098349   -1.693  0.0905 .
as.factor(daynum)11 -0.220687   0.104957   -2.103  0.0355 *
as.factor(daynum)12 -0.127479   0.092537   -1.378  0.1684
as.factor(daynum)13 -0.108389   0.092838   -1.168  0.2430
as.factor(daynum)14 -0.072994   0.091487   -0.798  0.4250
as.factor(daynum)15 -0.224797   0.099900   -2.250  0.0245 *
as.factor(daynum)16 -0.218157   0.096936   -2.251  0.0244 *
as.factor(daynum)17 -0.118538   0.104742   -1.132  0.2578
as.factor(daynum)18 -0.115441   0.107737   -1.072  0.2840
as.factor(daynum)19 -0.232832   0.091216   -2.553  0.0107 *
as.factor(daynum)20 -0.120774   0.089156   -1.355  0.1756
as.factor(daynum)21  0.050216   0.093250    0.539  0.5902
as.factor(daynum)22  0.029680   0.094567    0.314  0.7536
as.factor(daynum)23 -0.056540   0.094917   -0.596  0.5514
as.factor(daynum)24 -0.100428   0.107004   -0.939  0.3480
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as.factor(daynum)25 -0.064808    0.102531   -0.632    0.5274
as.factor(daynum)26 -0.119278    0.089080   -1.339    0.1806
as.factor(daynum)27 -0.078302    0.092737   -0.844    0.3985
as.factor(daynum)28  0.006552    0.092537    0.071    0.9436
as.factor(daynum)29 -0.049113    0.092438   -0.531    0.5952
as.factor(daynum)30 -0.047850    0.097912   -0.489    0.6251
as.factor(daynum)31 -0.148732    0.101789   -1.461    0.1440
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

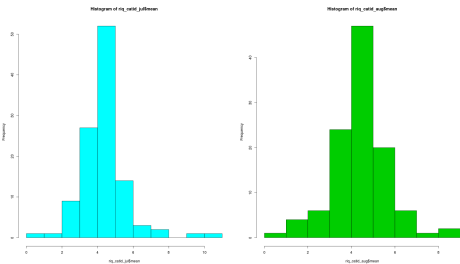
Residual standard error: 1.003 on 6406 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.006476, Adjusted R-squared:  0.001823
F-statistic: 1.392 on 30 and 6406 DF, p-value: 0.07574
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REMARKS:

.... From examination of the day-of-month based aggregation visualization, there appear to be a handful of days, e.g., 6th, 11th, 14th, 20th, 21th, 22th, at which observable difference takes place. The great majority of day-of-month levels exhibit NO discernable effect. Furthermore, when the ANOVA test is applied to Jul and Aug subsets, MILD statistically significant effects are observed for the Aug.s day-of-month: 2, 5, 8, 11, 15, 16, 19). Nevertheless, this mild effect occurs at a relatively weak p-value and weak F-value. The particular sequence of days suggests the potential presence of an ARIMA weekly and monthly seasonal process, taking place the 1st, 2nd, and then 3rd week of the month.

E7: FACTOR-LEVEL: CHANGES WRT CATEGORY OF REQUEST/INVITE/QUOTE

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CATEGORY_ID: ANOVA JUL VIA AOV

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
as.factor(category_id)	110	118	1.075	1.096	0.234
Residuals	6242	6123	0.981		

CATEGORY_ID: ANOVA AUG VIA AOV

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
as.factor(category_id)	110	115	1.049	1.041	0.366
Residuals	6326	6372	1.007		

REMARKS:

.... Anova analysis of the Jul and Aug subsets indicate that there is NO statistically significant component effect for the category_id levels on either of the months.

CATEGORY_ID: INDIVIDUAL COMPONENT EFFECTS VIA LM FOR JUL

Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ as.factor(category_id), data = riq[riq\$month ==
"07",])

Residuals:
Min 1Q Median 3Q Max
-3.7157 -0.6556 -0.0063 0.6695 3.7271

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	0.69101	0.18392	3.757	0.000173	***
as.factor(category_id)2	-0.12505	0.47961	-0.261	0.794313	
as.factor(category_id)3	0.39741	0.29720	1.337	0.181205	
as.factor(category_id)4	0.26660	0.25210	1.058	0.290314	
as.factor(category_id)5	0.38368	0.21399	1.793	0.073020	.
as.factor(category_id)6	0.31157	0.19459	1.601	0.109389	
as.factor(category_id)7	0.32928	0.21013	1.567	0.117152	
as.factor(category_id)8	-0.22711	0.39554	-0.574	0.565872	
as.factor(category_id)9	0.32831	0.20937	1.568	0.116921	
as.factor(category_id)10	1.17195	0.44421	2.638	0.008354	**
as.factor(category_id)11	0.20383	0.47961	0.425	0.670855	
as.factor(category_id)12	0.45236	0.25793	1.754	0.079508	.
as.factor(category_id)13	0.36658	0.21178	1.731	0.083507	.
as.factor(category_id)14	0.25546	0.21178	1.206	0.227769	
as.factor(category_id)15	0.30132	0.20913	1.441	0.149688	
as.factor(category_id)16	0.52482	0.25793	2.035	0.041916	*
as.factor(category_id)17	0.32902	0.23585	1.395	0.163057	
as.factor(category_id)18	0.33675	0.21039	1.601	0.109511	
as.factor(category_id)19	0.36110	0.28003	1.290	0.197272	
as.factor(category_id)20	0.42040	0.23295	1.805	0.071169	.
as.factor(category_id)21	0.55970	0.23799	2.352	0.018717	*
as.factor(category_id)22	0.11467	0.36322	0.316	0.752232	
as.factor(category_id)23	-0.35318	0.30254	-1.167	0.243109	
as.factor(category_id)24	0.37473	0.25210	1.486	0.137216	
as.factor(category_id)25	0.23693	0.20756	1.141	0.253718	
as.factor(category_id)26	0.09684	0.22591	0.429	0.668190	
as.factor(category_id)27	0.30345	0.23485	1.292	0.196361	
as.factor(category_id)28	0.25043	0.25394	0.986	0.324069	
as.factor(category_id)29	0.33858	0.21873	1.548	0.121681	
as.factor(category_id)30	0.23070	0.20563	1.122	0.261950	
as.factor(category_id)31	-0.07191	1.00738	-0.071	0.943094	
as.factor(category_id)32	0.14926	0.24871	0.600	0.548440	
as.factor(category_id)33	0.20670	0.33059	0.625	0.531829	
as.factor(category_id)34	0.03835	0.39554	0.097	0.922763	
as.factor(category_id)35	0.24737	0.21505	1.150	0.250054	
as.factor(category_id)36	0.41357	0.36322	1.139	0.254898	
as.factor(category_id)37	0.08523	0.33059	0.258	0.796553	
as.factor(category_id)38	0.36585	0.19198	1.906	0.056736	.
as.factor(category_id)39	0.34774	0.24564	1.416	0.156928	
as.factor(category_id)40	-0.87678	0.72410	-1.211	0.225999	
as.factor(category_id)41	-0.12454	0.30254	-0.412	0.680622	
as.factor(category_id)42	0.26233	0.32233	0.814	0.415763	
as.factor(category_id)43	0.35257	0.20511	1.719	0.085675	.
as.factor(category_id)44	0.68038	0.33997	2.001	0.045401	*
as.factor(category_id)45	0.20546	0.29720	0.691	0.489396	
as.factor(category_id)46	0.34349	0.27031	1.271	0.203876	
as.factor(category_id)47	0.28031	0.20715	1.353	0.176045	
as.factor(category_id)48	0.33941	0.22877	1.484	0.137959	
as.factor(category_id)49	0.40065	0.24714	1.621	0.105034	
as.factor(category_id)50	0.23440	0.25394	0.923	0.356006	
as.factor(category_id)51	0.20531	0.23295	0.881	0.378157	
as.factor(category_id)52	0.02364	0.36322	0.065	0.948119	
as.factor(category_id)53	0.28225	0.21828	1.293	0.196028	
as.factor(category_id)54	0.10456	0.36322	0.288	0.773457	
as.factor(category_id)56	0.29528	0.20581	1.435	0.151413	
as.factor(category_id)57	0.64167	0.39554	1.622	0.104794	
as.factor(category_id)58	0.33711	0.27031	1.247	0.212396	
as.factor(category_id)59	0.05959	0.22955	0.260	0.795186	
as.factor(category_id)60	0.18124	0.24871	0.729	0.466195	
as.factor(category_id)61	0.13861	0.28788	0.481	0.630191	
as.factor(category_id)62	0.34038	0.21332	1.596	0.110625	
as.factor(category_id)63	0.28051	0.19315	1.452	0.146469	
as.factor(category_id)64	0.36667	0.19739	1.858	0.063273	.
as.factor(category_id)65	0.14594	0.36322	0.402	0.687848	
as.factor(category_id)66	0.19646	0.30254	0.649	0.516120	
as.factor(category_id)67	0.62963	0.24564	2.563	0.010395	*
as.factor(category_id)68	0.49154	0.19557	2.513	0.011982	*
as.factor(category_id)69	-0.39711	0.26010	-1.527	0.126882	
as.factor(category_id)70	0.18972	0.20675	0.918	0.358841	
as.factor(category_id)71	0.44154	0.25588	1.726	0.084465	.
as.factor(category_id)72	-0.05695	0.25588	-0.223	0.823878	
as.factor(category_id)73	0.17217	0.24032	0.716	0.473767	
as.factor(category_id)74	0.10783	0.30845	0.350	0.726656	
as.factor(category_id)75	0.29104	0.25588	1.137	0.255395	
as.factor(category_id)77	0.08081	0.33059	0.244	0.806900	
as.factor(category_id)78	0.37325	0.20735	1.800	0.071897	.
as.factor(category_id)79	0.53720	0.20799	2.583	0.009822	**

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as.factor(category_id)80 0.34740 0.20889 1.663 0.096358 .
as.factor(category_id)81 0.22071 0.20675 1.068 0.285772
as.factor(category_id)82 0.42370 0.20446 2.072 0.038275 *
as.factor(category_id)83 0.33684 0.25036 1.345 0.178541
as.factor(category_id)84 0.53632 0.28003 1.915 0.055512 .
as.factor(category_id)85 0.04191 0.30254 0.139 0.889834
as.factor(category_id)86 0.16714 0.23799 0.702 0.482536
as.factor(category_id)87 0.38781 0.21149 1.834 0.066742 .
as.factor(category_id)88 0.58856 0.25793 2.282 0.022530 *
as.factor(category_id)89 0.36452 0.25793 1.413 0.157628
as.factor(category_id)90 0.35149 0.29233 1.202 0.229267
as.factor(category_id)91 0.23429 0.24871 0.942 0.346220
as.factor(category_id)92 0.35221 0.24286 1.450 0.147031
as.factor(category_id)93 0.53828 0.33997 1.583 0.113392
as.factor(category_id)94 0.38465 0.22591 1.703 0.088685 .
as.factor(category_id)95 1.60499 0.72410 2.217 0.026692 *
as.factor(category_id)96 0.21868 0.30254 0.723 0.469818
as.factor(category_id)97 0.53476 0.32233 1.659 0.097162 .
as.factor(category_id)98 0.32530 0.23388 1.391 0.164308
as.factor(category_id)99 0.63339 1.00738 0.629 0.529534
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as.factor(category_id)107 0.02681 0.25210 0.106 0.915300
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as.factor(category_id)110 0.49400 0.21268 2.323 0.020228 *
as.factor(category_id)111 0.84228 0.29233 2.881 0.003975 **
as.factor(category_id)112 0.35760 0.20843 1.716 0.086277 .
as.factor(category_id)113 0.30085 0.21237 1.417 0.156644
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
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Residual standard error: 0.9904 on 6242 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.01894, Adjusted R-squared: 0.001655
F-statistic: 1.096 on 110 and 6242 DF, p-value: 0.2341

CATEGORY_ID: INDIVIDUAL COMPONENT EFFECTS VIA LM FOR AUG

Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ as.factor(category_id), data = riq[riq\$month ==
"08",])

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-3.5153	-0.6681	-0.0073	0.6662	3.2288

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	1.0609411	0.1548627	6.851	8.03e-12 ***
as.factor(category_id)2	-0.2953022	0.4097282	-0.721	0.4711
as.factor(category_id)3	-0.2833009	0.4748000	-0.597	0.5507
as.factor(category_id)4	-0.1798962	0.1975253	-0.911	0.3625
as.factor(category_id)5	0.0942174	0.2190089	0.430	0.6671
as.factor(category_id)6	0.0673980	0.2019163	0.334	0.7385
as.factor(category_id)7	-0.0748535	0.1692504	-0.442	0.6583
as.factor(category_id)8	0.2856792	0.2948498	0.969	0.3326
as.factor(category_id)9	-0.0982730	0.1699880	-0.578	0.5632
as.factor(category_id)10	-0.6995213	0.7263704	-0.963	0.3356
as.factor(category_id)11	0.5751813	0.5997806	0.959	0.3376
as.factor(category_id)12	0.1451591	0.3097254	0.469	0.6393
as.factor(category_id)13	-0.5081162	0.2131046	-2.384	0.0171 *
as.factor(category_id)14	-0.2248770	0.2040925	-1.102	0.2706
as.factor(category_id)15	-0.0610745	0.2177319	-0.281	0.7791
as.factor(category_id)16	-0.1637484	0.2203403	-0.743	0.4574
as.factor(category_id)17	-0.2035532	0.2603392	-0.782	0.4343
as.factor(category_id)18	0.0231101	0.2165059	0.107	0.9150
as.factor(category_id)19	-0.0784830	0.2048641	-0.383	0.7017
as.factor(category_id)20	-0.3184204	0.3531413	-0.902	0.3673
as.factor(category_id)21	-0.0981537	0.1774805	-0.553	0.5803
as.factor(category_id)22	-0.3381682	0.4748000	-0.712	0.4763
as.factor(category_id)23	-0.0586469	0.2315337	-0.253	0.8000
as.factor(category_id)24	-0.1257508	0.3686470	-0.341	0.7330
as.factor(category_id)25	0.0389700	0.1677128	0.232	0.8163
as.factor(category_id)26	-0.0978398	0.1829889	-0.535	0.5929
as.factor(category_id)27	-0.0851762	0.1834875	-0.464	0.6425
as.factor(category_id)28	0.0631389	0.1827461	0.346	0.7297
as.factor(category_id)29	0.2029052	0.2177319	0.932	0.3514
as.factor(category_id)30	-0.0247521	0.2682301	-0.092	0.9265
as.factor(category_id)31	0.3383615	0.5251650	0.644	0.5194
as.factor(category_id)32	-0.0575234	0.2262869	-0.254	0.7993
as.factor(category_id)33	-0.2590251	0.5997806	-0.432	0.6659
as.factor(category_id)34	-1.0556643	0.7263704	-1.453	0.1462
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as.factor(category_id)36	-0.4767172	0.3531413	-1.350	0.1771

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as.factor(category_id)37 -0.3824953 0.2885017 -1.326 0.1850
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as.factor(category_id)48 0.5338563 0.3399292 1.570 0.1164
as.factor(category_id)49 0.0685554 0.1993011 0.344 0.7309
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as.factor(category_id)51 0.4382623 0.2948498 1.486 0.1372
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as.factor(category_id)55 0.0229233 0.2246984 0.102 0.9187
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as.factor(category_id)57 -0.3668273 0.3018830 -1.215 0.2244
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as.factor(category_id)60 0.0821201 0.2131046 0.385 0.7000
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as.factor(category_id)62 -0.0220489 0.2203403 -0.100 0.9203
as.factor(category_id)63 -0.1456391 0.1912413 -0.762 0.4464
as.factor(category_id)64 -0.0856723 0.2110423 -0.406 0.6848
as.factor(category_id)65 0.0029067 0.3686470 0.008 0.9937
as.factor(category_id)66 0.3217876 0.7263704 0.443 0.6578
as.factor(category_id)67 0.1195300 0.2504463 0.477 0.6332
as.factor(category_id)68 0.1206668 0.1993011 0.605 0.5449
as.factor(category_id)69 -0.2363759 0.2535212 -0.932 0.3512
as.factor(category_id)70 0.2329894 0.2448594 0.952 0.3414
as.factor(category_id)71 -0.1123760 0.2315337 -0.485 0.6274
as.factor(category_id)72 0.0808948 0.4380179 0.185 0.8535
as.factor(category_id)73 0.0134580 0.2315337 0.058 0.9537
as.factor(category_id)74 -0.2856870 0.2827393 -1.010 0.3123
as.factor(category_id)75 -0.0547894 0.1948646 -0.281 0.7786
as.factor(category_id)76 -0.0567112 0.3686470 -0.154 0.8777
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as.factor(category_id)78 0.1118434 0.1958875 0.571 0.5680
as.factor(category_id)79 -0.1287695 0.1719836 -0.749 0.4540
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as.factor(category_id)82 -0.1534974 0.1829889 -0.839 0.4016
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

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Residual standard error: 1.004 on 6326 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.01778, Adjusted R-squared:  0.0007042
F-statistic: 1.041 on 110 and 6326 DF, p-value: 0.3659

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REMARKS:

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.... Anova analysis of the Jul and Aug subsets indicate that there NO
statistical significant difference at specific category levels between
the two months, specifically, though several categories (10, 16, 21
44, 67, 68, 79, 82, 88, 95, 110, 111) have MILDLY significant effects
but at poor R2, F and p values.

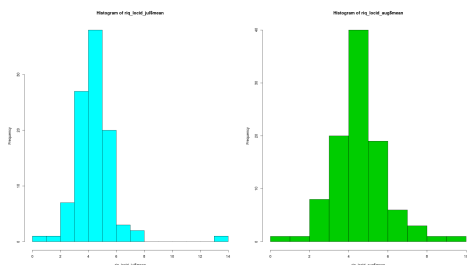
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REMARKS:

.... From examination of the category_id based aggregation visualization, it appears that there are a handful of categories, (e.g., 8, 10, etc.) at which significant difference appears to take place. HOWEVER, when the ANOVA test is applied, only a MILD statistically significant effect is observed in categories 67 (A/V), 68 (Tutoring), and 69 (Land Surveying).

E8: FACTOR-LEVEL: CHANGES WRT LOCATION OF REQUEST/INVITE/QUOTE

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LOCATION_ID: ANOVA JUL VIA AOV

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
as.factor(location_id)	99	96	0.9738	0.991	0.507
Residuals	6253	6145	0.9828		

LOCATION_ID: ANOVA AUG VIA AOV

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
as.factor(location_id)	99	93	0.9428	0.934	0.663
Residuals	6337	6394	1.0090		

LOCATION_ID: INDIVIDUAL COMPONENT EFFECTS VIA LM FOR JUL

Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ as.factor(location_id), data = riq[riq\$month == "07",])

Residuals:	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-3.7687	-0.6637	-0.0018	0.6784	3.6014

Coefficients:	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	0.9782408	0.0277196	35.291	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(location_id)2	0.1096253	0.0511775	2.142	0.03223 *
as.factor(location_id)3	0.0229102	0.0548361	0.418	0.67611
as.factor(location_id)4	0.0605619	0.0732168	0.827	0.40818
as.factor(location_id)5	-0.0326467	0.0680991	-0.479	0.63167
as.factor(location_id)6	-0.0449680	0.0674404	-0.667	0.50494
as.factor(location_id)7	-0.0591719	0.0783494	-0.755	0.45014
as.factor(location_id)8	0.0853288	0.0866001	0.985	0.32450
as.factor(location_id)9	0.0069376	0.1064690	0.065	0.94805
as.factor(location_id)10	0.0245010	0.0833620	0.294	0.76884
as.factor(location_id)11	0.0167658	0.0915786	0.183	0.85474
as.factor(location_id)12	-0.0443937	0.1019962	-0.435	0.66340
as.factor(location_id)13	0.0218901	0.0980919	0.223	0.82342


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as.factor(location_id)14 0.0811668 0.1086765 0.747 0.45517
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Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.9913 on 6253 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.01545, Adjusted R-squared: -0.0001426
F-statistic: 0.9909 on 99 and 6253 DF, p-value: 0.5071

LOCATION_ID: INDIVIDUAL COMPONENT EFFECTS VIA LM FOR AUG

Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ as.factor(location_id), data = riq[riq\$month ==
"08",])

Residuals:
Min 1Q Median 3Q Max
-3.6758 -0.6681 -0.0031 0.6729 3.4115

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	0.990786	0.028806	34.396	< 2e-16	***
as.factor(location_id)2	0.050483	0.047380	1.065	0.28669	
as.factor(location_id)3	0.017841	0.057953	0.308	0.75820	
as.factor(location_id)4	-0.088976	0.069988	-1.271	0.20366	
as.factor(location_id)5	0.063096	0.071074	0.888	0.37471	
as.factor(location_id)6	-0.100570	0.074315	-1.353	0.17601	
as.factor(location_id)7	0.036709	0.079270	0.463	0.64332	
as.factor(location_id)8	-0.067295	0.082895	-0.812	0.41694	
as.factor(location_id)9	-0.098463	0.095395	-1.032	0.30204	
as.factor(location_id)10	0.063060	0.088525	0.712	0.47628	
as.factor(location_id)11	0.056108	0.096115	0.584	0.55940	
as.factor(location_id)12	0.156761	0.104018	1.507	0.13185	
as.factor(location_id)13	0.208189	0.101290	2.055	0.03988	*
as.factor(location_id)14	0.184354	0.118769	1.552	0.12066	
as.factor(location_id)15	-0.083853	0.125171	-0.670	0.50294	
as.factor(location_id)16	-0.058252	0.149324	-0.390	0.69647	
as.factor(location_id)17	-0.049644	0.113321	-0.438	0.66134	
as.factor(location_id)18	-0.172186	0.142244	-1.210	0.22613	
as.factor(location_id)19	-0.025711	0.127878	-0.201	0.84066	
as.factor(location_id)20	0.121434	0.121044	1.003	0.31579	
as.factor(location_id)21	-0.227262	0.131798	-1.724	0.08470	.
as.factor(location_id)22	0.155812	0.131798	1.182	0.23717	
as.factor(location_id)23	-0.201218	0.128823	-1.562	0.11834	
as.factor(location_id)24	0.009995	0.172215	0.058	0.95372	
as.factor(location_id)25	0.029439	0.142244	0.207	0.83605	
as.factor(location_id)26	0.031428	0.138474	0.227	0.82046	
as.factor(location_id)27	-0.167793	0.185642	-0.904	0.36611	
as.factor(location_id)28	0.099987	0.199091	0.502	0.61553	
as.factor(location_id)29	0.010688	0.144947	0.074	0.94122	
as.factor(location_id)30	0.334169	0.202952	1.647	0.09970	.
as.factor(location_id)31	0.024006	0.157649	0.152	0.87898	
as.factor(location_id)32	0.096941	0.138474	0.700	0.48391	
as.factor(location_id)33	0.197258	0.163405	1.207	0.22741	
as.factor(location_id)34	-0.002567	0.143575	-0.018	0.98574	
as.factor(location_id)35	-0.184146	0.126955	-1.450	0.14697	
as.factor(location_id)36	-0.171191	0.136130	-1.258	0.20860	
as.factor(location_id)37	0.038497	0.216086	0.178	0.85860	
as.factor(location_id)38	0.050022	0.154147	0.325	0.74556	
as.factor(location_id)39	-0.107492	0.147819	-0.727	0.46714	
as.factor(location_id)40	0.080439	0.167630	0.480	0.63134	
as.factor(location_id)41	0.041992	0.245321	0.171	0.86409	
as.factor(location_id)42	-0.223598	0.182696	-1.224	0.22104	
as.factor(location_id)43	0.123021	0.150879	0.815	0.41489	
as.factor(location_id)44	0.172092	0.270001	0.637	0.52390	
as.factor(location_id)45	-0.067849	0.174660	-0.388	0.69768	
as.factor(location_id)46	0.097285	0.182696	0.532	0.59440	
as.factor(location_id)47	-0.109303	0.154147	-0.709	0.47830	
as.factor(location_id)48	-0.032012	0.216086	-0.148	0.88223	
as.factor(location_id)49	0.020042	0.192003	0.104	0.91687	
as.factor(location_id)50	0.392699	0.232238	1.691	0.09090	.
as.factor(location_id)51	-0.075142	0.172215	-0.436	0.66261	
as.factor(location_id)52	0.029849	0.211421	0.141	0.88773	
as.factor(location_id)53	0.169424	0.221081	0.766	0.44350	
as.factor(location_id)54	-0.009878	0.211421	-0.047	0.96274	
as.factor(location_id)55	-0.319807	0.185642	-1.723	0.08499	.
as.factor(location_id)56	0.085212	0.318950	0.267	0.78935	
as.factor(location_id)57	0.280342	0.195448	1.434	0.15152	
as.factor(location_id)58	0.114784	0.165476	0.694	0.48792	
as.factor(location_id)59	0.136779	0.185642	0.737	0.46128	
as.factor(location_id)60	-0.131800	0.318950	-0.413	0.67945	
as.factor(location_id)61	0.104512	0.172215	0.607	0.54396	
as.factor(location_id)62	0.022735	0.411090	0.055	0.95590	
as.factor(location_id)63	-0.013517	0.165476	-0.082	0.93490	
as.factor(location_id)64	0.236101	0.185642	1.272	0.20349	
as.factor(location_id)65	-0.042391	0.304231	-0.139	0.88919	
as.factor(location_id)66	0.096680	0.318950	0.303	0.76181	
as.factor(location_id)67	0.177903	0.221081	0.805	0.42103	
as.factor(location_id)68	-0.182870	0.318950	-0.573	0.56643	
as.factor(location_id)69	0.123569	0.252768	0.489	0.62495	
as.factor(location_id)70	1.072016	0.411090	2.608	0.00914	**
as.factor(location_id)71	-0.118838	0.232238	-0.512	0.60887	
as.factor(location_id)72	-0.302808	0.291397	-1.039	0.29877	
as.factor(location_id)73	0.196839	0.226449	0.869	0.38475	
as.factor(location_id)74	-0.144797	0.245321	-0.590	0.55505	
as.factor(location_id)75	0.161100	0.260952	0.617	0.53702	
as.factor(location_id)76	-0.409967	0.380751	-1.077	0.28164	
as.factor(location_id)77	0.264076	0.260952	1.012	0.31159	
as.factor(location_id)78	0.571373	0.336065	1.700	0.08915	.
as.factor(location_id)79	0.418903	0.291397	1.438	0.15061	
as.factor(location_id)80	0.222080	0.304231	0.730	0.46543	

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as.factor(location_id)81 0.187363 0.172215 1.088 0.27666
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as.factor(location_id)83 0.101932 0.336065 0.303 0.76166
as.factor(location_id)84 0.247912 0.336065 0.738 0.46073
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as.factor(location_id)88 0.052949 0.207053 0.256 0.79817
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as.factor(location_id)90 0.279338 0.318950 0.876 0.38117
as.factor(location_id)91 -0.258649 0.580655 -0.445 0.65601
as.factor(location_id)92 0.061473 0.710862 0.086 0.93109
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as.factor(location_id)96 -1.607287 0.580655 -2.768 0.00566 **
as.factor(location_id)97 0.098558 0.380751 0.259 0.79576
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 1.004 on 6337 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.01439,    Adjusted R-squared:  -0.00101
F-statistic: 0.9344 on 99 and 6337 DF,  p-value: 0.6635
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REMARKS:

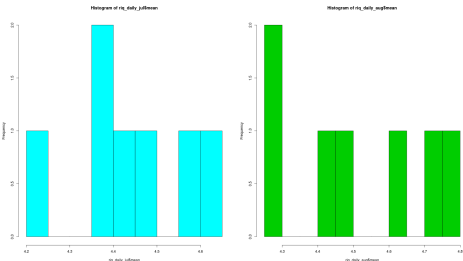
.... Anova analysis of the Jul and Aug subsets indicate there is NO statistically significant component effect for the location_id. When examining individul levels there is MILD component effects for location_id 2, 24, 66, and 72 but these occur at very weak R2, F and p-values. As a result, there is no evidence of a STRONG difference between Jul and Aug months in terms of components effects for location_id.

REMARKS:

.... From examination of the location_id based aggregation visualization, it appears that there are a handful of distinguishing categories for either Jul and Aug. HOWEVER, when the ANOVA test is applied, there is NO strong evidence of a significant effect being observed due to location_id or location_id levels.

E9: FACTOR-LEVEL: CHANGES WRT DAY OF WEEK

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DAY OF WEEK: ANOVA JUL VIA AOV

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
dow	6	3	0.5697	0.579	0.747
Residuals	6346	6238	0.9830		

DAY OF WEEK: ANOVA AUG VIA AOV

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              Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
dow           6      14    2.381    2.365 0.0277 *
Residuals    6430    6473    1.007
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
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DAY OF WEEK: ANOVA JUL VIA LM

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Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ dow, data = riq[riq$month == "07",
])

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-3.7871 -0.6605 -0.0074  0.6785  3.5832

Coefficients:
(Intercept)  1.033670  0.028814  35.874  <2e-16 ***
dowTuesday   -0.030620  0.040472  -0.757   0.449
dowWednesday -0.036961  0.041461  -0.891   0.373
dowThursday  -0.026539  0.044392  -0.598   0.550
dowFriday     0.004697  0.046251   0.102   0.919
dowSaturday  -0.022599  0.049202  -0.459   0.646
dowSunday    -0.079305  0.049281  -1.609   0.108
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.9915 on 6346 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.0005476, Adjusted R-squared:  -0.0003974
F-statistic: 0.5795 on 6 and 6346 DF, p-value: 0.747
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DAY OF WEEK: ANOVA AUG VIA LM

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Call:
lm(formula = i2q_hrs_log ~ dow, data = riq[riq$month == "08",
])

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-3.5043 -0.6770 -0.0044  0.6763  3.3421

Coefficients:
(Intercept)  0.94225  0.03165  29.772  < 2e-16 ***
dowTuesday   0.07887  0.04449   1.773  0.07628 .
dowWednesday 0.14789  0.04558   3.245  0.00118 **
dowThursday  0.08184  0.04410   1.856  0.06355 .
dowFriday    0.01736  0.04493   0.386  0.69916
dowSaturday  0.03043  0.04747   0.641  0.52153
dowSunday    0.07007  0.05163   1.357  0.17478
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 1.003 on 6430 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.002202, Adjusted R-squared:  0.001271
F-statistic: 2.365 on 6 and 6430 DF, p-value: 0.0277
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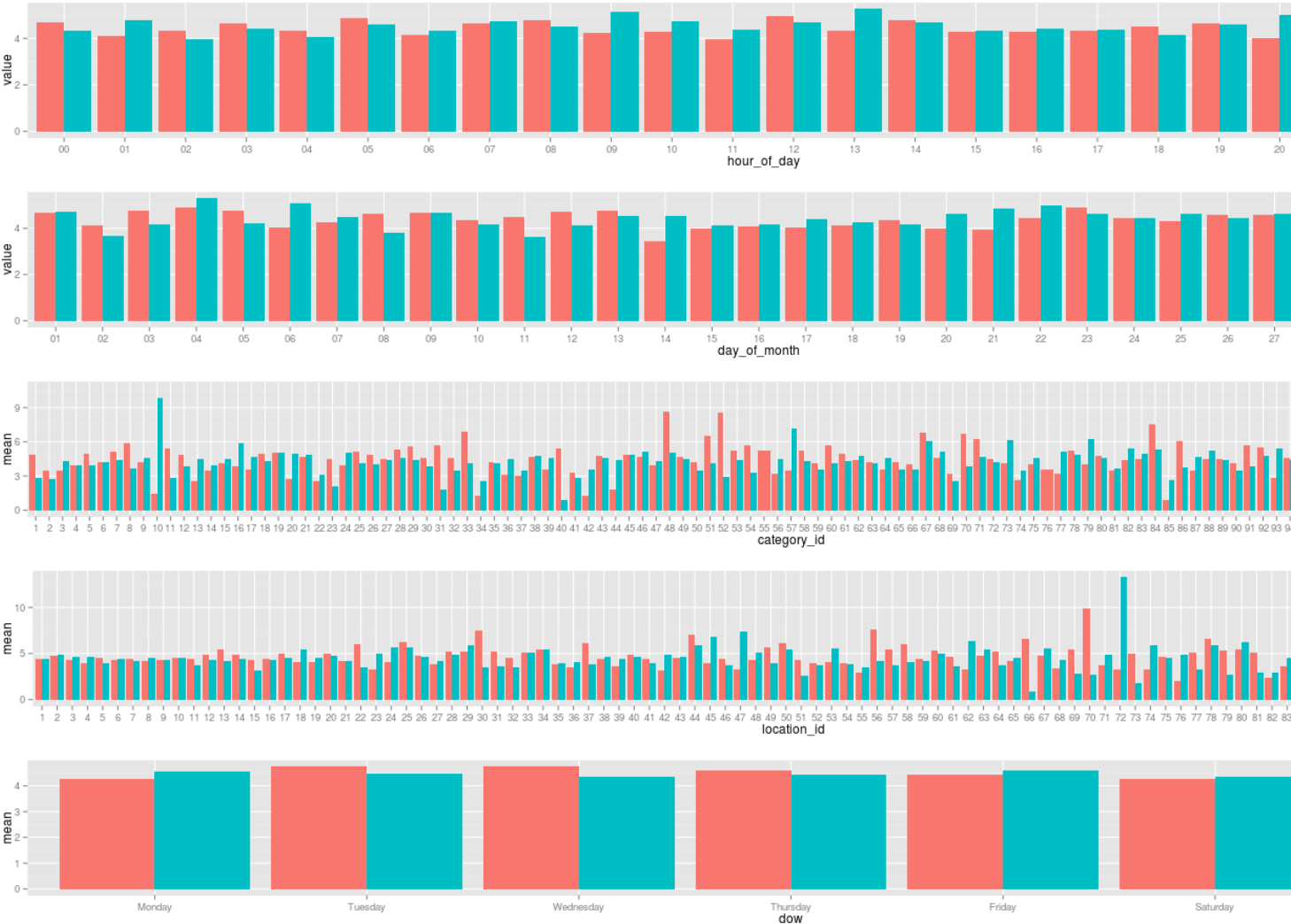
REMARKS:

.... One way anova analysis of the Jul and Aug subsets indicate that there is a not so MILD statistical significant difference at specific day-of-week levels but ONLY for the month of Aug. and not July, specifically, Wednesdays on August, which holds high statistical significance but at a relatively weak R2, F, and p-values. As a result, again, there is NO strong evidence of significant departure between Jul and Aug months when accounting for day-of-week component effects.

REMARKS:

.... From examination of the day-of-week based aggregation visualization, there appear to be differences for day-of-week with respect to the months of July and August. HOWEVER, when the ANOVA test is applied, it indicates that NO statistically significant component effects -- for any day of week -- is discernible, at all.

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E10: EXAMINING PREDICTIVE MODEL FOR REPLY BIT FOR JUL/AUG CONCEPT DRIFT

REMARKS:

.... Often enough, it is desired to predict whether a quote will be produced. In this dataset this is represented by the REPLIED bit. A natural question here is whether the predictive model for the reply bit is noticeably impacted when switching from the July data to the August data (i.e., concept drift). To build a very basic model, I opted for a decision tree and used some basic factors which appear promising (e.g., category_id). HOWEVER, when leveraging these factors into simplistic predictive modeling, NO discernible predictive impact (logloss, confusion tables, tree structure, etc) is observed when training with Jul or Aug data.

E11: PREDICTIVE MODELING/DECISION TREE: WRT JULY

BASIC DECISION TREE FOR JUL WITH RESPECT TO HOUR AND CATEGORY

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n= 12574
node), split, n, loss, yval, (yprob)
* denotes terminal node
1) root 12574 6221 1 (0.4947511 0.5052489)
  2) as.factor(category_id)=1,2,3,6,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,20,22,24,29,30,31,33,37,38,39,42,44,45,46,50,51,52,54,56,57,61,62,64,65,66,67,
    3) as.factor(category_id)=4,5,7,8,9,19,21,23,25,26,27,28,32,34,35,36,40,41,43,47,48,49,53,58,59,60,63,69,75,78,79,80,81,82,84,86,88,89,91,92,93,94
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JUL DECISION TREE CPTABLE:

	CP	nsplit	rel error	xerror	xstd
1	0.2986658	0	1.0000000	1.000000	0.009012029
2	0.0100000	1	0.7013342	0.709693	0.008603732

PREDICTED REPLIES PROBABILITIES CONFUSION MATRIX FOR JULY

	0	1
0	5126	1095
1	3268	3085

LOG_LOSS_VALUE:

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[1] 0.6374
[1] 0.6374141
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E12: PREDICTIVE MODELING/DECISION TREE: WRT AUGUST

BASIC DECISION TREE FOR AUG WITH RESPECT TO HOUR AND CATEGORY

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n= 11990
node), split, n, loss, yval, (yprob)
* denotes terminal node
1) root 11990 5553 1 (0.4631359 0.5368641)
  2) as.factor(category_id)=1,2,3,5,6,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,20,22,24,29,30,31,33,34,36,37,38,42,44,45,46,50,51,52,54,56,57,60,61,62,64
    3) as.factor(category_id)=4,7,8,19,21,23,25,26,27,28,32,35,39,40,41,43,47,48,49,53,55,58,59,63,69,75,78,79,80,81,82,84,86,88,89,91,92,93,94
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AUG DECISION TREE CPTABLE:

	CP	nsplit	rel error	xerror	xstd
1	0.323969	0	1.000000	1.000000	0.009832599
2	0.010000	1	0.676031	0.6837745	0.009172855

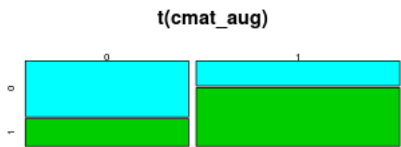
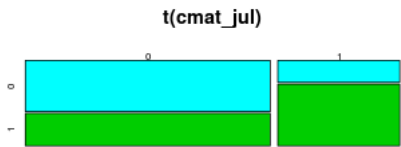
PREDICTED REPLIES PROBABILITIES CONFUSION MATRIX FOR AUG

	0	1
0	3569	1984
1	1770	4667

LOG_LOSS_VALUE:

[1] 0.6209

[1] 0.6209214
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REMARKS:

.... Confusion matrices for the two decision tree predictive models, one trained with the JUL dataset and the other trained with the AUG dataset. As also indicated by the overall LOGLOSS performance metric, and the structure of the decision trees, and now, the similarity between confusion matrices, the predictive modeling is training this most basid model with either the Jul or Aug datasets does NOT visibly impact the model's performance nor its construction.

E13: CONCLUSION

REMARKS:

.... In conclusion, even individual factor levels were accounted for, NO STRONG statistically significant effect was discernable when contrasting the invite-to-quote time-delay for the months of July vs. the month of Aug.. A variety of analysis techniques were used, most reaching a similarly strong conclusion about the lack of statistically significant effects. However, in a few cases, arguably mild statistically significant effects were observed for specific factor levels of day-of-month (e.g., the 16th of the month), hour-of-day (e.g., 9AM), and location-id (e.g., 68: PA-NJ). On all of these, the effects manifested on the month of Aug and NOT on Jul. However, the category_id provided a countering example, on which the strongest yet relatively mildly statistically significant effect was due to category_id 10 on Jul (Pest Control) and then, a similarly mild effect was observed on Aug but this time on category_id 13 (Home Remodeling).

Because of time limitations, only one-way anova was applied. As a result, higher order effects were not examined. However, the indications so far point to the lack of evidence for the presence of a statistical strong effect distinguishing Jul from Aug.

One weakness of the analysis consists in the handling of the missing values for the i2q_hrs as two alternatives existed for its handling:

- a) drop all such rows for which i2q_hrs does not exist (i.e., invites w/o quotes), or alternatively,
- b) assign an Inf or large value to its i2q_hrs value to represent and penalize the fact that such row attributes lead to negative outcomes.

Such analysis is left as future work with respect to the stated time limits (approx. 6 hrs). The amount of time to produce this analysis so far was approx. 12 hrs.