Exploratory Data Analysis of 'AOL Logs'

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Data Challenge: AOL Search Logs

Clear Environment

rm(list=ls())

Loading packages needed

```
library(data.table)
library(stringi)
library(sqldf)
library(tm)
library(SnowballC)
library(wordcloud)
library(RColorBrewer)
library(qdap)
library(tm)
library(tm)
```

Reading Data into R where fields are tab separated

Converting to data table

df<-as.data.table(df)</pre>

Data Cleaning :URL Cleaning

```
df$ClickURLCleaned<-gsub(df$ClickURL,pattern = "http://|https://|www\\.",replacement = "")</pre>
```

Changing Class of datetime from factor to datetime

```
df$QueryTime<-as.POSIXct(df$QueryTime)</pre>
```

Summary Statistics

Total no. of Queries

```
total_queries<-as.numeric(nrow(df))
total_queries</pre>
```

[1] 3537372

Instances of New Queries / Unique queries in the log

```
new_queries <- as.numeric(length(unique(df$Query)))
new_queries</pre>
```

[1] 1219923

Total Unique Users

```
unique_users<-length(unique(df$AnonID))
unique_users</pre>
```

[1] 61592

Using simple calculations, I came to a conclusion a user fires at least 19 queries in the log

```
query_per_user <- new_queries/unique_users
query_per_user</pre>
```

[1] 19.80652

Calculating Next Page Requests: As per AOL, if the user requested the next "page" or results for some query, this appears as a subsequent identical query with a later time stamp

```
query<-"SELECT AnonID,Query,COUNT(*)as Count FROM df GROUP BY AnonID,Query"
next_page_req<-as.data.table(sqldf(query))
next_page_req<-next_page_req[next_page_req$Count>1,]
```

Looking at Next Page Requests

head(next_page_req,10)

```
Query Count
##
       AnonID
   1:
          479
                    allegory of the cave
##
                          bose car decal
    2:
          479
                                              3
##
##
    3:
          479
                               car decals
                                              3
          479
                         citation machine
                                              6
##
  4:
##
  5:
          479
                           cranial nerves
                                              3
          479
                                              3
##
  6:
                               dictionary
##
  7:
          479 existence precedes essence
                                              2
## 8:
          479
                              eye muscles
                                              2
## 9:
          479
                      german translation
                                              2
## 10:
          479
                kant theory of knowledge
                                              6
```

```
#Number of Next Page Requests
nrow(next_page_req)
```

[1] 589345

Total Unique URLS Count

```
unique_urls<-as.numeric(length(unique(df$ClickURLCleaned)))
unique_urls</pre>
```

[1] 379146

CLick-through events: Those queries on which users has acted by clicking on one of the links in the results

```
click_through_events<-as.numeric(length(which(!is.na(df$ItemRank))))
click_through_events</pre>
```

[1] 1902838

Queries w/o click through: Those queries on which users has not taken any action

```
without_click_through_events<-as.numeric(length(which(is.na(df$ItemRank))))
without_click_through_events</pre>
```

[1] 1634534

Detection of Missing Data

Extracting date to an another column

```
df$Date<-format(as.Date((df$QueryTime)), "%Y-%m-%d")</pre>
```

Total days of data

```
difftime(min(df$Date),max(df$Date),units = "days")
```

Time difference of -92 days

Total log in days = 93 days including the first day

```
date_range<-seq(as.Date(min(df$Date)), by = "day",length.out = 93)</pre>
```

Unique Dates in Log data

```
unique_dates<- as.Date(unique(df$Date))
unique_dates</pre>
```

```
[1] "2006-03-01" "2006-03-02" "2006-03-03" "2006-03-04" "2006-03-06"
##
##
   [6] "2006-03-07" "2006-03-08" "2006-03-09" "2006-03-13" "2006-03-14"
## [11] "2006-03-20" "2006-03-21" "2006-03-22" "2006-03-26" "2006-03-27"
## [16] "2006-03-30" "2006-03-31" "2006-04-06" "2006-04-11" "2006-04-18"
## [21] "2006-04-20" "2006-04-21" "2006-04-23" "2006-04-24" "2006-04-28"
## [26] "2006-05-01" "2006-05-04" "2006-05-05" "2006-05-08" "2006-05-09"
## [31] "2006-05-10" "2006-05-15" "2006-05-25" "2006-05-27" "2006-03-05"
## [36] "2006-03-10" "2006-03-17" "2006-03-23" "2006-03-24" "2006-03-28"
   [41] "2006-03-29" "2006-04-01" "2006-04-03" "2006-05-06" "2006-05-12"
  [46] "2006-05-13" "2006-05-30" "2006-03-15" "2006-03-16" "2006-04-04"
  [51] "2006-04-05" "2006-04-17" "2006-04-19" "2006-04-22" "2006-04-27"
  [56] "2006-05-18" "2006-05-22" "2006-05-31" "2006-03-25" "2006-05-11"
   [61] "2006-05-23" "2006-05-24" "2006-05-26" "2006-02-28" "2006-03-11"
## [66] "2006-03-12" "2006-04-07" "2006-05-03" "2006-03-18" "2006-03-19"
## [71] "2006-04-02" "2006-04-08" "2006-04-09" "2006-04-10" "2006-04-15"
## [76] "2006-04-16" "2006-04-25" "2006-04-26" "2006-04-29" "2006-04-30"
  [81] "2006-05-02" "2006-05-07" "2006-05-14" "2006-05-16" "2006-05-20"
## [86] "2006-05-21" "2006-05-29" "2006-04-14" "2006-05-19" "2006-05-28"
## [91] "2006-04-13" "2006-04-12" "2006-05-17"
```

```
missing_dates<-which(!(unique_dates %in% date_range))
missing_dates</pre>
```

integer(0)

length(missing_dates)

[1] 0

Result: This implies there is no missing search query logs for any date

Queries Per Day

```
query<-"SELECT Date,Count(*) as Queries_per_day FROM df GROUP BY Date ORDER BY Date"
query_day<-sqldf(query)
query_day$Date<-as.Date(query_day$Date)</pre>
```

Summarizing Query per day

summary(query_day)

```
##
         Date
                          Queries_per_day
##
    Min.
           :2006-02-28
                          Min. : 4330
   1st Qu.:2006-03-23
                          1st Qu.:31985
    Median :2006-04-15
                          Median :40506
##
           :2006-04-15
                                 :38036
    Mean
                          Mean
##
    3rd Qu.:2006-05-08
                          3rd Qu.:44772
           :2006-05-31
##
   Max.
                         Max.
                                 :51990
```

Minimum queries in a day

^{**}Results whether any data is missing from any date from start date of logs and end date of logs

min(query_day\$Queries_per_day)

[1] 4330

Maximumn queries in a day

max(query_day\$Queries_per_day)

[1] 51990

On an average 38036 queries are fired in a day

query_day

##		Date	Queries_per_day		
##	1	2006-02-28	4330		
##	2	2006-03-01	45071		
##	3	2006-03-02	46660		
##	4	2006-03-03	43020		
##	5	2006-03-04	45748		
##	6	2006-03-05	51990		
##	7	2006-03-06	47758		
##	8	2006-03-07	46531		
##	9	2006-03-08	44867		
##	10	2006-03-09	46651		
##	11	2006-03-10	41577		
##	12	2006-03-11	44617		
##	13	2006-03-12	49799		
##	14	2006-03-13	47454		
##	15	2006-03-14	45195		
##	16	2006-03-15	46928		
##	17	2006-03-16	45656		
##	18	2006-03-17	40823		
##	19	2006-03-18	44858		
##	20	2006-03-19	49227		
##	21	2006-03-20	46401		
##	22	2006-03-21	47888		
##	23	2006-03-22	48291		
##	24	2006-03-23	44772		
##	25	2006-03-24	41118		
##	26	2006-03-25	41879		
##	27	2006-03-26	47807		
##	28	2006-03-27	46024		
##	29	2006-03-28	45298		
##	30	2006-03-29	42388		
##	31	2006-03-30	40506		
##	32	2006-03-31	37365		
##	33	2006-04-01	39263		
##	34	2006-04-02	40725		
##	35	2006-04-03	43160		
##	36	2006-04-04	31948		

##	37	2006-04-05	31465
##	38	2006-04-06	30710
##	39	2006-04-07	28224
##	40	2006-04-08	31400
##	41	2006-04-09	31191
##	42	2006-04-10	31189
##	43	2006-04-11	31895
##	44	2006-04-12	23628
##	45	2006-04-13	21745
##	46	2006-04-14	28977
##	47	2006-04-15	27618
##	48	2006-04-16 2006-04-17	29412
## ##	49 50	2006-04-17	33044 31363
##	51	2006-04-19	31985
##	52	2006-04-19	31489
##	53	2006-04-21	27922
##	54	2006-04-22	29768
##	55	2006-04-23	32551
##	56	2006-04-24	33099
##	57	2006-04-25	32267
##	58	2006-04-26	31070
##	59	2006-04-27	29163
##	60	2006-04-28	26551
##	61	2006-04-29	28975
##	62	2006-04-30	32440
##	63	2006-05-01	32115
##	64	2006-05-02	32252
##	65	2006-05-03	38218
##	66	2006-05-04	39281
##	67	2006-05-05	35949
##	68	2006-05-06	38342
##	69	2006-05-07	42534
##	70	2006-05-08	42140
##	71	2006-05-09	41565
##	72	2006-05-10	40913
##	73		42757
##	74	2006-05-12	36700
##	75	2006-05-13	38536
##	76 77	2006-05-14 2006-05-15	40807
##	77 78	2006-05-15	42352 32014
## ##	79	2006-05-16	4411
##	80	2006-05-18	41608
##	81	2006-05-19	38382
##	82	2006-05-20	39331
##	83	2006-05-21	45293
##	84	2006-05-22	46279
##	85	2006-05-23	43304
##	86	2006-05-24	41132
##	87	2006-05-25	40465
##	88	2006-05-26	36809
##	89	2006-05-27	36290
##	90	2006-05-28	36133

```
## 91 2006-05-29 42765
## 92 2006-05-30 44291
## 93 2006-05-31 41670
```

We observe that on 2006-02-28 & 2006-05-17 only 4330 & 4411 queries were fired respectively on search engine which indicates may be some technical reason that data is not logged which is unusual as per usual behavior of users or may be servers were down which resulted in not logging of data while users were browsing

Sessionizing the Query Log data

Time-oriented approaches

Defining Session: more than 30 minutes between events is a new session

```
df$qt<-as.POSIXct(df$QueryTime)
df<-df[, session_id:=paste(cumsum((c(0, diff(qt))/60 > 30)*1)), by=AnonID]
df$session_id<-as.numeric(df$session_id)
total_sessions<-sum(df$session_id)
#Total no. of sessions in 93 days time period
total_sessions</pre>
```

[1] 116024905

On an average, each session last for at least 32.8 mins

```
summary(df$session_id)
```

```
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
## 0.0 6.0 18.0 32.8 43.0 547.0
```

Summarizing Queries requested at Period of day

Segmenting hours of day into different periods 0-7 <- Night 7-10 <- morning 10-12 <- Noon 12-17 <- Afternoon 17-23 <- Evening

Detection of Outliers

- Outliers and robots sessions were removed before analysis
- Outliers are long term user sessions containing too many queries which were probably generated by robots .So, Removing user sessions with highest no. of queries (top~1000)

```
query<-"SELECT AnonID,session_id,COUNT(*)as Count FROM df
GROUP BY AnonID,session_id ORDER BY Count DESC"
potential_outliers<-as.data.table(sqldf(query))
outliers<-head(potential_outliers,1000)</pre>
```

Number of Outliers we are going to remove

```
length(unique(outliers$AnonID))
```

[1] 638

```
out_id<-unique(outliers$AnonID)</pre>
```

361455 such records are robots or identified as outliers

```
length(which(df$AnonID %in% out_id))
```

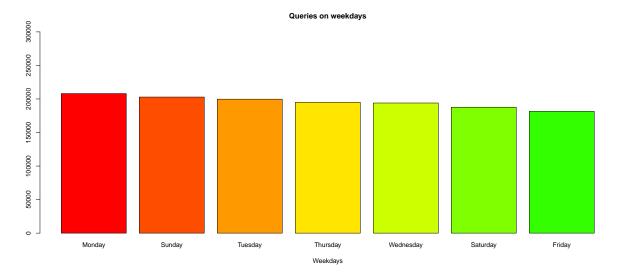
[1] 361445

```
pos<-which(df$AnonID %in% out_id)

#Removing outliers from data frame
df<-df[-pos]</pre>
```

```
#Day wise Queries Trend
df$Day <- weekdays(as.Date(df$Date))
query<-"SELECT Day,Count(DISTINCT(Query)) as queries_count FROM df
GROUP BY Day ORDER BY queries_count DESC"
query_weekday<-sqldf(query)</pre>
```

```
barplot(query_weekday$queries_count,col=rainbow(20),
main = "Queries on weekdays",xlab = "Weekdays"
,names.arg = query_weekday$Day,
ylim =range(pretty(c(0,300000))))
```



On Monday and Sunday there are most queries fired. and Friday and Saturday there are less queries fired being the weekend days

Hour wise Queries Trend

```
query<-"SELECT Hour,Count(DISTINCT(Query)) as queries_count FROM df
GROUP BY Hour ORDER BY queries_count DESC"
query_hour<-sqldf(query)
query_hour$queries_count<-as.numeric(query_hour$queries_count)</pre>
```

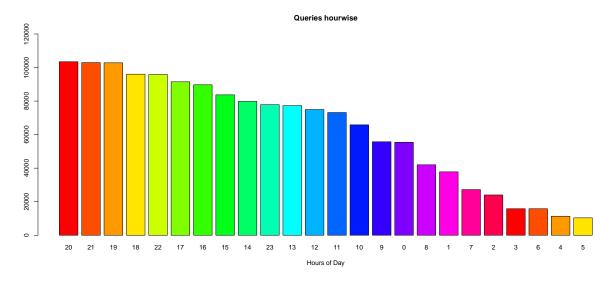
```
getOption("scipen")
```

[1] 0

```
opt <- options("scipen" = 20)
getOption("scipen")</pre>
```

[1] 20

```
barplot(query_hour$queries_count,col=rainbow(20),main = "Queries hourwise",
xlab = "Hours of Day",names.arg = query_hour$hour,ylim = range(pretty(c(11000,110000))))
```



We observe that most of the queries were fired around 8,7 & 10 in evening and then in afternoon and very less users in morning time which is usual trend.

Session Analysis: Session is defined as a sequence of consecutive queries submitted by a same user in sufficiently small time period(say 30 mins)

Query Period

```
query<-"SELECT period,Count(DISTINCT(AnonID)) as unique_users,
SUM(session_id) as total_sessions,Count(*) as queries_count FROM df
GROUP BY period ORDER BY queries_count DESC"
query_period<-sqldf(query)
query_period$per_users<-(query_period$unique_users/unique_users)*100

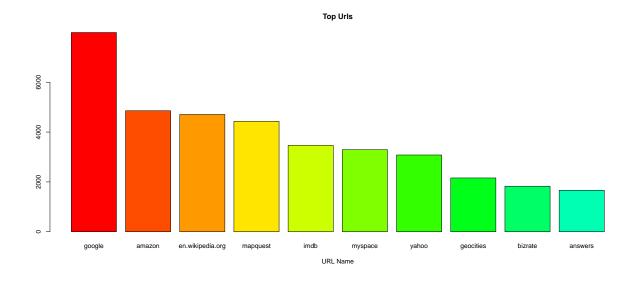
# 81% of users are active in evening and about 40% of users are active
#in night and morning.
query_period</pre>
```

```
##
        period unique_users total_sessions queries_count per_users
## 1
                       49705
                                   35820639
                                                  1243663 80.70042
       evening
                                                    876703
## 2 afternoon
                       45808
                                   26618954
                                                           74.37330
## 3
                       28519
                                   13185245
                                                    416302
                                                            46.30309
         night
## 4
       morning
                       28580
                                   10812163
                                                    336104
                                                            46.40213
## 5
                       30339
                                    9432474
                                                    303155
                                                            49.25802
          noon
```

```
query<-"SELECT session_id,Count(DISTINCT(Query)) as query_count FROM df
GROUP BY session_id"
session_query<-sqldf(query)</pre>
```

Long sessions are likely during evening and afternonn and long breaks are more likely during night, noon and morning.

- Session length is seen as a more accurate alternative to measuring pageviews
- Sessions per user can be used as a measurement of website usage



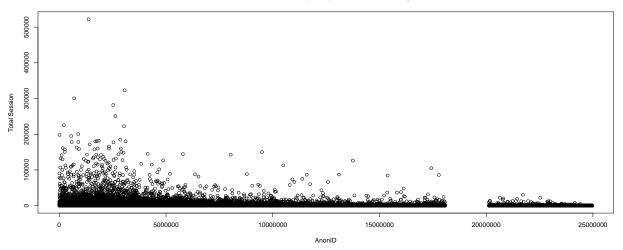
** Typical Time Spent by users on Search Engine **

```
sqlquery<-"SELECT AnonID,SUM(session_id) as total_sessions FROM df
GROUP BY AnonID"
time_spent<-sqldf(sqlquery)
#On an average each user spent 1573 session where each session is of 30 mins
#on search engine AOL in 93 days time
summary(time_spent)</pre>
```

```
##
        AnonID
                       total_sessions
##
          :
                 479
                       Min.
                              :
    Min.
##
    1st Qu.: 5847020
                       1st Qu.:
  Median :11351943
                       Median :
                                    57
##
  Mean
           :11813778
                       Mean
                                 1573
    3rd Qu.:16827847
                       3rd Qu.:
                                   460
    Max.
           :24969423
                       Max.
                               :521993
```

```
#Disribution of Time Spent by users on search engine
plot(x=time_spent$AnonID,y=time_spent$total_sessions,
xlab = "AnonID",ylab = "Total Session",
main = "Distribution of time Spent by users on Search Engine")
```





Analysing Queries that do not typically lead to click

Collecting users who were active on most of the days

```
sqlquery<-"SELECT AnonID,Count(DISTINCT(Date)) as date_count
FROM df GROUP BY AnonID ORDER BY date_count DESC"
active_users<-as.data.table(sqldf(sqlquery))
pos<-which(active_users$date_count>=50)
active_users_anonid<-active_users$AnonID[pos]

dt<-df[which(df$AnonID %in% active_users_anonid),]
dt_click<-dt[!which(is.na(dt$ItemRank))]</pre>
```

```
dt_noclick<-dt[which(is.na(dt$ItemRank))]</pre>
dt_noclick$totalwords <- sapply(dt_noclick$Query,</pre>
function(x) length(unlist(strsplit(as.character(x), "\\W+"))))
summary(dt_noclick$totalwords)
##
       Min. 1st Qu. Median
                                 Mean 3rd Qu.
                                                  Max.
##
       1.00
               2.00
                        2.00
                                 2.84
                                          3.00
                                                 97.00
dt_click<-dt[!which(is.na(dt$ItemRank))]</pre>
dt_click$totalwords <- sapply(dt_click$Query,</pre>
function(x) length(unlist(strsplit(as.character(x), "\\W+"))))
summary(dt_click$period)
##
        night
                morning
                               noon afternoon
                                                 evening
##
        65777
                   58255
                              47623
                                       126572
                                                  167795
dt_noclick$Query<-as.character(dt_noclick$Query)</pre>
words_noclick<- strsplit(dt_noclick$Query, "\\W")</pre>
words_no_click<-unlist(words_noclick)</pre>
freq<-table(words no click)</pre>
freq1<-sort(freq, decreasing=TRUE)</pre>
temp_table<-data.table(paste(names(freq1), freq1, sep=","))</pre>
words_noclick<-data.table(do.call(rbind, strsplit(temp_table$V1, ',')))</pre>
colnames(words_noclick)<-c("words","freq")</pre>
n_misspelled <- sapply(words_noclick$words, function(x){</pre>
  length(which_misspelled(x, suggest = FALSE))
miss_spelled <-data.frame(words_noclick $words, words_noclick $freq,
                           n_misspelled, row.names = NULL)
miss_spelled<-data.table(miss_spelled)</pre>
colnames(miss_spelled)<-c("word", "freq", "is_misspell")</pre>
miss_spelled$word<-as.character(miss_spelled$word)</pre>
miss_spelled$charlen<-nchar(miss_spelled$word)</pre>
miss_spelled<-miss_spelled[-which(miss_spelled$charlen==1)]</pre>
```

```
stop_words<-stopwords("english")
#Removing functional words and stopwords
miss_spelled<-miss_spelled[-which(miss_spelled$word %in% remove_words)]
miss_spelled<-miss_spelled[-which(miss_spelled$word %in% stop_words)]
miss_spelled_words_len<-sum(miss_spelled$is_misspell)
total_words<-nrow(miss_spelled)
head(miss_spelled,20)</pre>
```

```
##
                   word freq is misspell charlen
##
                        17177
  1:
                                        0
## 2:
                   ebay 2675
                                        1
                                                4
                                                3
## 3:
                   new 2370
                                        0
## 4:
                   free 2150
                                        0
                                                4
                                                3
## 5:
                                        0
                   net 1976
                                                4
## 6:
                  pogo 1651
                                        1
## 7:
                                                5
                  yahoo 1509
                                        0
## 8:
                lyrics 1339
                                        0
                                                6
## 9:
                 county 1306
                                        0
                                                6
                                                7
## 10:
               myspace 1267
                                        1
               american 1256
## 11:
                                        0
                                                8
## 12:
                 school 1255
                                        0
                                                6
## 13:
                 google 1210
                                        0
                                                6
## 14:
                   york 1132
                                        0
                                                4
## 15:
                   home 1083
                                        0
                                                4
## 16:
                   city 1054
                                        0
                                                4
                                        0
                                                8
## 17:
              pictures 1019
## 18:
                                        0
                                                4
                   sale
                          929
## 19: letstalkhonestly
                          888
                                        1
                                               16
## 20:
                          873
                                        1
                                                3
                    aol
```

- More than 72 percent of the words are incorrectly spelled that leads to no click
- This implies product manager needs to deploy a spell correction feature on AOL for more clicks

```
per_miss_spelled_words_noclick<-miss_spelled_words_len/total_words
per_miss_spelled_words_noclick</pre>
```

[1] 0.7236008

Queries that almost always lead to click

```
df_click<-df[!which(is.na(df$ItemRank))]
query<-"SELECT Query,Count(ItemRank) as clicks FROM dt_click
GROUP BY Query ORDER BY clicks DESC"
query_clicks<-sqldf(query)
query_clicks$Query<-gsub(query_clicks$Query,pattern = "www.|.com",replacement = "")
trim <- function (x) gsub("^\\s+|\\s+$", "", x)
query_clicks$Query<-trim(query_clicks$Query)
query_clicks<-query_clicks[-which(query_clicks=="-"),]</pre>
```

query_clicks<-query_clicks[-which(query_clicks==""),] head(query_clicks,25)</pre>

```
##
                      Query clicks
## 1
                     google
                               5250
## 3
                               4362
                      yahoo
## 4
                       ebay
                               3084
## 5
                               2156
                    myspace
## 6
                   mapquest
                               1099
## 7
                               1035
                      yahoo
## 8
                   my space
                                758
## 9
                  freeslots
                                732
                      yahoo
## 10
                                686
## 11
                     google
                                650
## 12
                    myspace
                                623
## 13
                 craigslist
                                591
## 14
           bank of america
                                549
## 15
                 ask jeeves
                                531
## 16
                        xxx
                                433
## 17 craigslists new york
                                416
## 18
                    hotmail
                                400
## 19
                                395
                     israel
## 20
                 yahoo mail
                                383
## 21
                       iwon
                                366
## 22
          letstalkhonestly
                                363
## 23
                  free porn
                                362
## 24
                    hotmail
                                360
## 25
               ohio lottery
                                355
## 26
           onlinebootycall
                                339
```

#Queries having average query length of 3 leads to a click summary(query_clicks)

```
##
       Query
                           clicks
   Length: 152084
                      Min.
                                  1.000
##
                            :
##
   Class : character
                       1st Qu.:
                                  1.000
  Mode :character
                      Median :
                                  1.000
##
                       Mean :
                                  3.035
##
                       3rd Qu.:
                                  3.000
##
                       Max.
                            :5250.000
```

Types of Queries made by Active users at Night

```
query<-"SELECT period,Query,Count(*) as count FROM dt_click
GROUP BY Query ORDER BY count DESC"
query_user<-sqldf(query)
query_night<-query_user[which(query_user*period=="night"),]
head(query_night,20)</pre>
```

period Query count

```
google
## 1
        night
                                     5250
## 8
                                      758
        night
                          my space
## 18
        night
                           hotmail
                                       400
## 26
                                      339
        night onlinebootycall.com
##
  33
        night
                        excite.com
                                       269
## 35
        night
                                       263
                 coffeebreakarcade
##
  38
        night
                         map quest
                                       250
## 39
        night
                               wamu
                                       249
##
  44
        night
                           manhunt
                                       229
## 48
        night
                           eros.com
                                       216
## 52
        night
                     yahoo finance
                                       211
## 55
                        dictionary
                                       206
        night
        night
##
  61
                            meoland
                                       195
## 71
                      kcci weather
        night
                                       177
## 73
                                       175
        night
                                wwe
## 77
        night
                    teen pussy org
                                       163
## 85
                                       151
        night
                     my space .com
## 91
                                       145
        night
                      trip advisor
## 94
                                       144
                   myspace layouts
        night
## 100
        night
                         ebaymotors
                                       140
```

• More Porn searches were seen at night

Types of Queries made by Active users around Afternoon

```
query_aft<-query_user[which(query_user$period=="afternoon"),]
head(query_aft,20)</pre>
```

```
##
         period
                                    Query count
## 4
     afternoon
                                      ebay
                                            3084
                                  myspace
## 5
     afternoon
                                            2156
                                             650
## 11 afternoon
                               google.com
## 14 afternoon
                          bank of america
                                             549
## 17 afternoon
                     craigslists new york
                                             416
## 21 afternoon
                                 iwon.com
                                             366
                                             363
## 22 afternoon www.letstalkhonestly.com
## 24 afternoon
                                             360
                              hotmail.com
## 28 afternoon
                             fidelity.com
                                             301
## 29 afternoon
                                   amazon
                                             300
## 43 afternoon
                                             230
                                  walmart
## 45 afternoon
                 george mason university
                                             227
## 46 afternoon
                                             226
                               rune scape
## 53 afternoon
                                             207
                              www.msn.com
## 58 afternoon
                                             198
                                   copart
## 63 afternoon
                         granny blow jobs
                                             191
## 67 afternoon
                             ticketmaster
                                             189
## 69 afternoon
                                             181
                                craiglist
## 74 afternoon
                            jerusalempost
                                             174
## 75 afternoon
                                             168
                                   drudge
```

• It shows more of a shopping trend of users in afternoon going to sites like ebay, walmart, amazon

Common Queries of Active users

```
sqlquery<-"SELECT Query,Count(DISTINCT(AnonID)) as users_count FROM dt
GROUP BY Query ORDER BY users_count DESC"
common_query<-as.data.table(sqldf(sqlquery))
common_query<-common_query[-1,]
common_query$Query<-gsub(common_query$Query,pattern = "www.|.com",replacement = "")
trim <- function (x) gsub("^\\s+|\\s+\", "", x)
common_query$Query<-trim(common_query$Query)
common_query<-common_query[-which(common_query$Query=="")]
#Some Common Queries Below with the users counts against them
head(common_query,25)</pre>
```

```
Query users count
##
##
  1:
                   google
                                   510
##
    2:
                 mapquest
                                   413
## 3:
                                   386
                     ebay
## 4:
                    yahoo
                                   226
## 5:
                     http
                                   179
## 6:
            american idol
                                   178
## 7:
                map quest
                                   176
## 8:
                    yahoo
                                   175
## 9:
                   google
                                   156
## 10:
               home depot
                                   153
## 11:
                  walmart
                                   144
## 12:
               dictionary
                                   142
## 13:
                                   139
                  myspace
## 14:
                 internet
                                   135
## 15:
                  weather
                                   135
## 16:
                                   127
                   target
## 17:
                                   108
                      ebay
## 18:
                                   108
                    sears
## 19:
                    lowes
                                   100
## 20:
                  myspace
                                    90
## 21:
               ask jeeves
                                    89
## 22:
                                    88
                 best buy
## 23: southwest airlines
                                    85
## 24:
                 mapquest
                                    83
## 25:
             yellow pages
##
                    Query users_count
```



Relevance of Search Queries

- Queries that do not seem to have relevant results must be having an higher item rank since users has to navigate to next page, which results in increase in item rank
- Maximum Item Rank

```
rel<-df[which(!is.na(df$ItemRank)),]
dim(rel)</pre>
```

[1] 1716246 12

• Maximum Item Rank is 500 which implies user browsed 500 next pages against a query

max(rel\$ItemRank)

[1] 500

```
sqlquery<-"SELECT Query,ItemRank,Count(*) as count FROM rel GROUP BY Query
ORDER BY ItemRank DESC"
no_rel_results<-as.data.table(sqldf(sqlquery))</pre>
```

Top queries that do not seem to have relevant results along with Item Rank

head(no_rel_results,20)

```
##
                                      Query ItemRank count
##
    1:
                            bang my husband
                                                  500
                                                           2
                                                  500
                                                           7
##
    2:
                     john martin del campo
    3:
##
             newjersey mobilehome dealers
                                                  500
                                                           8
##
    4:
                     photos young gay boys
                                                  500
                                                          30
                                                          24
##
    5:
                       west bountiful utah
                                                  500
##
    6:
                              ralph manning
                                                  498
                                                          12
    7:
                                                  497
##
                                     acuity
                                                          10
           ankle bracelet sexual meanings
##
    8:
                                                  497
                                                           3
##
  9:
                         judith a coulombe
                                                  497
                                                          14
## 10:
                      web cams that are on
                                                  495
                                                           4
## 11:
                                    vitello
                                                  488
                                                           6
## 12:
                                                  483
                                                           3
                              arcadia press
## 13:
                  harley davidson t-shirts
                                                  483
                                                          19
                                                  476
                                                          37
## 14:
             primitive style willow trees
## 15: mail order adult sex toy cataloges
                                                  475
                                                           7
## 16:
                            porsche exhaust
                                                  475
                                                          89
## 17:
                 pharmacy tech final exams
                                                  471
                                                          13
## 18:
                                                  470
                                                          29
                       covered wagon lamps
## 19:
                black panther collectables
                                                          15
                                                  465
## 20:
                                      bybee
                                                  464
                                                          26
```

Relevance of Queries can be measured using following metrics

- Stickiness of users on websites will indicate relevance of search queries
- Session length is seen as a more accurate alternative to measuring page views
- Sessions per user can be used as a measurement of website usage

```
sqlquery<-"SELECT ClickURLCleaned,SUM(session_id) as total_sessions FROM df
GROUP BY ClickURLCleaned ORDER BY total_sessions DESC"
web_usage<-as.data.table(sqldf(sqlquery))
web_usage<-web_usage[-1,]
head(web_usage,20)</pre>
```

```
##
           ClickURLCleaned total_sessions
##
    1:
                 google.com
                                      983436
##
    2:
                                      739884
                  yahoo.com
##
    3:
                myspace.com
                                      612402
##
    4:
                                      409629
           en.wikipedia.org
##
    5:
                                      408497
                   ebay.com
##
    6:
                 amazon.com
                                      367363
##
    7:
                   imdb.com
                                      319899
##
    8:
               mapquest.com
                                      219252
             craigslist.org
                                      188457
##
    9:
```

```
## 10:
         bankofamerica.com
                                     157810
## 11:
                                     142878
            mail.yahoo.com
## 12:
                    ask.com
                                     115271
## 13:
           tripadvisor.com
                                     111597
## 14:
             geocities.com
                                     110762
## 15:
               hotmail.com
                                     109780
## 16:
             freeslots.com
                                     108008
## 17:
               bizrate.com
                                     100937
## 18:
                                     92617
                    msn.com
## 19: profile.myspace.com
                                     92021
## 20:
                nextag.com
                                      91272
```

This implies users browsing on AOL search engine look for other search engines and spend a lot of time on other search engines like google, yahoo and msn. So, AOL search engines is not performing well.

```
df_words<-df[-which(df$Query=="-")]
df_words<-df[!which(is.na(df$ItemRank)),]
df_words$totalwords <- sapply(df_words$Query,
function(x) length(unlist(strsplit(as.character(x), "\\W+"))))
sqlquery<-"SELECT totalwords,ItemRank,Count(*) as count
FROM df_words GROUP BY totalwords ORDER BY ItemRank "
words_rel<-as.data.table(sqldf(sqlquery))
head(words_rel,10)</pre>
```

##		totalwords	ItemRank	count
##	1:	1	1	301338
##	2:	5	1	115834
##	3:	12	1	1047
##	4:	13	1	569
##	5:	17	1	152
##	6:	22	1	34
##	7:	30	1	3
##	8:	31	1	9
##	9:	33	1	12
##	10:	35	1	2

This implies a query of words having a count of 5 almost always convert to a click

Insights that I would like to share with Product Manager are:

- People who come to browse on AOL search engines are looking for other search engines like google, yahoo & msn.
- spell correction feature should be added since 72% of words are incorrectly spelled by a users in queries that leads to a no click in collection of active users in 93 days.
- There are more Porn searches observed at night and shopping searches in afternoon.
- 81% of users are active in evening while 40% of users are active in morning and afternoon. So, evening is the best time to target users for ad.
- At 7,8 and 10 in the evening most queries are fired, so the best time to show sponsored links which would definitely results in conversion.
- Sunday and Monday are the best days in week to target users effectively.
- Looking at top urls we can say that users usually have an intent to ask questions when they come online since they are broesing in ask, answers.

- Product manager should approach a mazon for campaigns since it is the second top url searched on search engine by users.
- Queries having a word count of less than or equal to 5 almost always converts to a click.