UCI_ML_Repository_WholeSale_Customers

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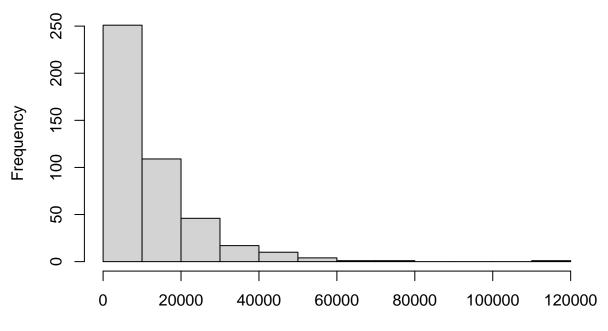
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Website: https://archive.ics.uci.edu/dataset/292/wholesale+customers

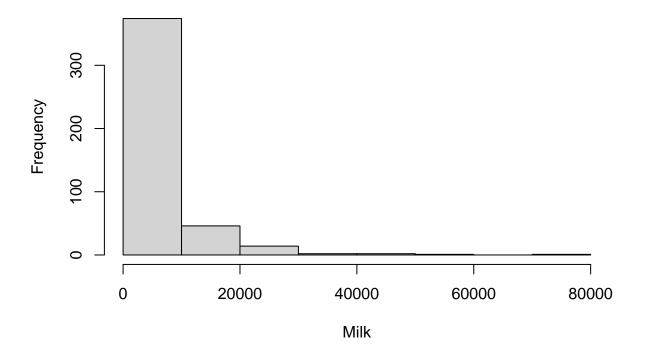
Only want continous variables for this analysis

```
WHOLE <- read_csv("wholesale.csv")</pre>
## Rows: 440 Columns: 8
## -- Column specification ---
## Delimiter: ","
## dbl (8): Channel, Region, Fresh, Milk, Grocery, Frozen, Detergents_Paper, De...
## i Use 'spec()' to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set 'show_col_types = FALSE' to quiet this message.
WHOLE <- WHOLE |>
  select(-Region,-Channel)
# Check for Missing Values
missing_values <- WHOLE |>
  summarise(across(everything(), ~ sum(is.na(.))))
print(missing_values) # No missing values so no imputation
## # A tibble: 1 x 6
   Fresh Milk Grocery Frozen Detergents_Paper Delicassen
   <int> <int> <int> <int>
                                   <int>
                                                      <int>
numeric_vars <- names(WHOLE)[sapply(WHOLE, is.numeric)]</pre>
# Visual INspection
for (var in numeric_vars) {
  hist(WHOLE[[var]], main = paste("Histogram of", var), xlab = var)
}
```

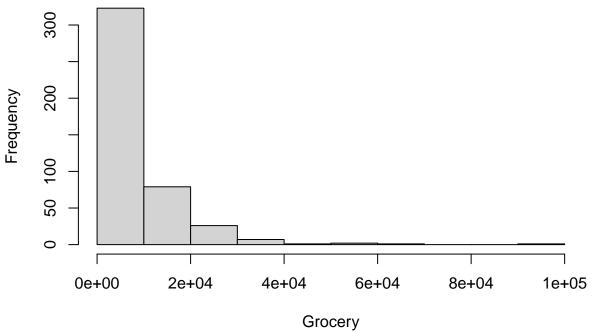
Histogram of Fresh

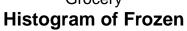


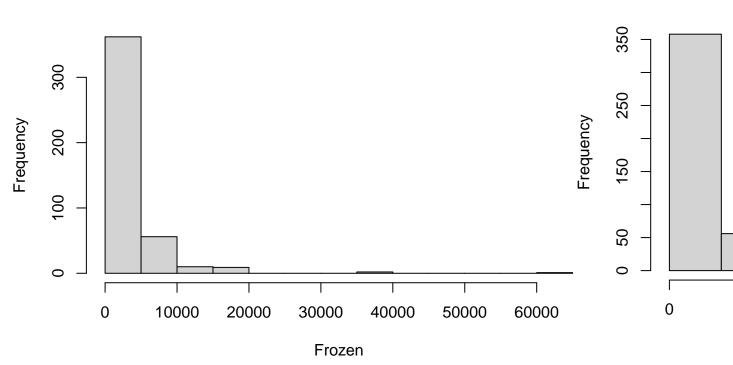
Fresh
Histogram of Milk



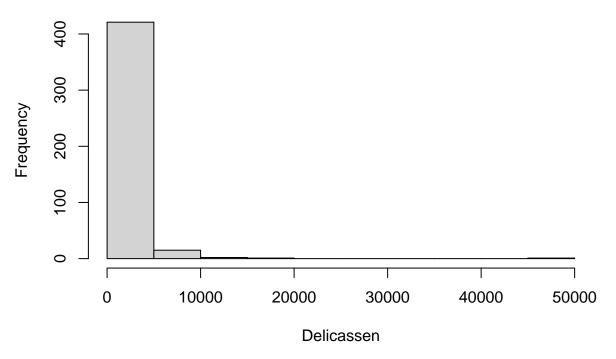
Histogram of Grocery





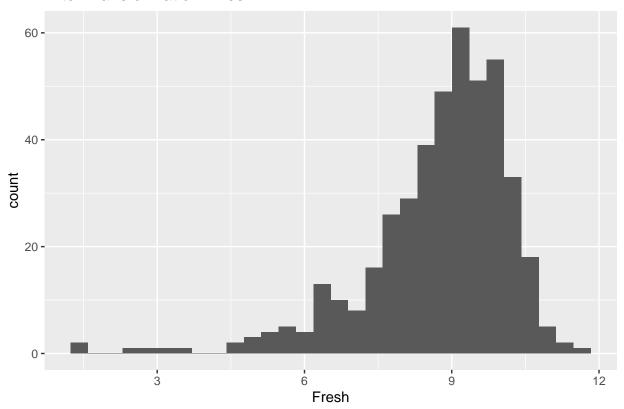


Histogram of Delicassen



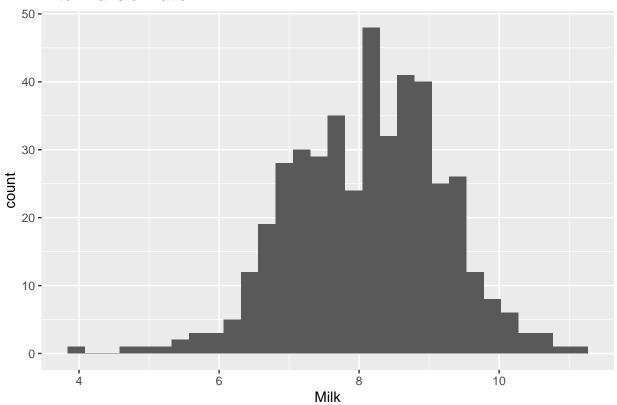
'stat_bin()' using 'bins = 30'. Pick better value with 'binwidth'.

After Transformation: Fresh



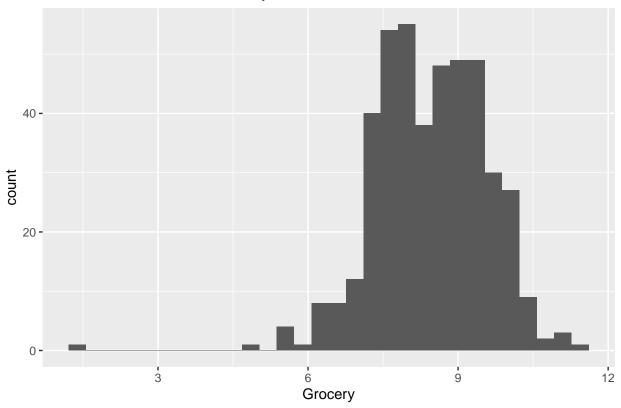
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After Transformation: Milk



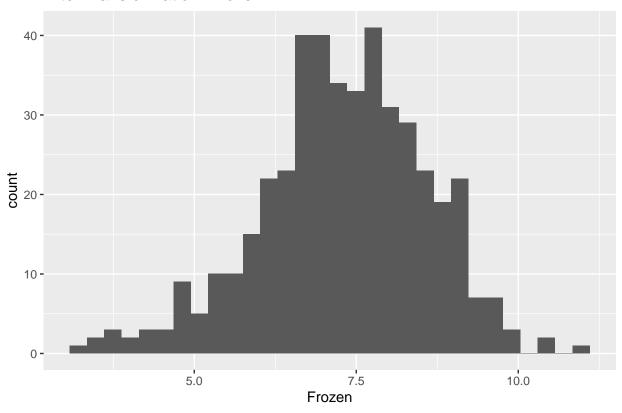
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After Transformation: Grocery



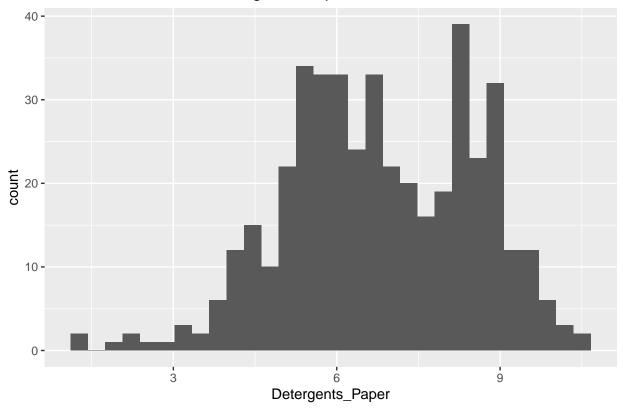
'stat_bin()' using 'bins = 30'. Pick better value with 'binwidth'.

After Transformation: Frozen



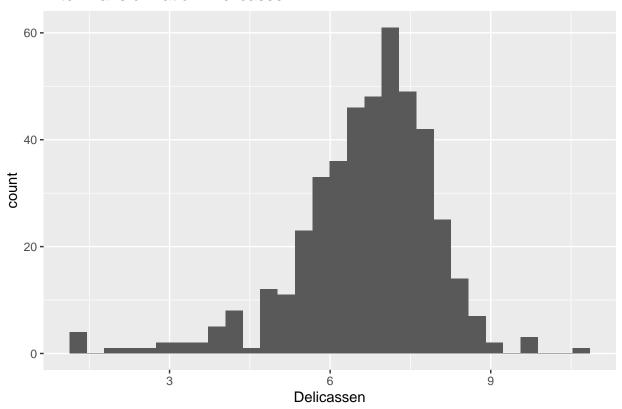
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After Transformation: Detergents_Paper



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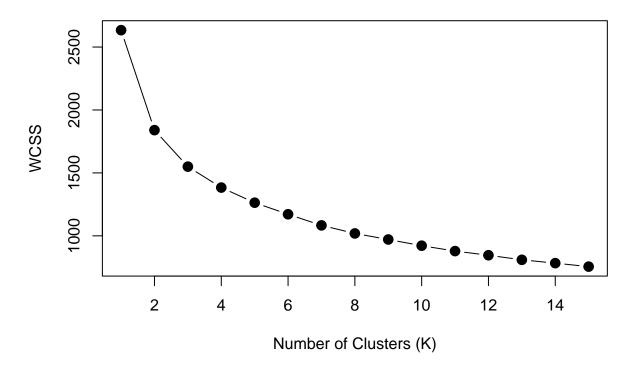
After Transformation: Delicassen



```
# Scale
DATA.PROCESSED <- DATA.PROCESSED |>
mutate(across(where(is.numeric), ~ scale(.)[,1]))
```

K Means for cluster analysis

Elbow Method for Optimal k



Determine with 3 cluster

```
set.seed(577)
KMEANS <- kmeans(DATA.PROCESSED, centers = 3, iter.max = 75, nstart = 50)
table(KMEANS$cluster)
##
##
     1
         2
             3
## 212 147
            81
round(KMEANS$centers, 2)
##
           Milk Grocery Frozen Detergents_Paper Delicassen
      0.17 - 0.73
                            0.23
                                             -0.75
                                                         -0.21
                    -0.77
            0.80
                     0.74
                                              0.66
                                                         0.68
     0.41
                            0.30
## 3 -1.19
                     0.67
                           -1.13
                                              0.76
                                                         -0.69
```

There are a few cluster defining characteristics we can look at for the three clusters created.

- Cluster 1 has positive values for Fresh and Frozen products meaning these clients buy more of these items on average while these same clients buy less of Milk, Grocery, Detergents_Paper, and Delicassen compared to the average customer.
- Cluster 2 has positive values for every category indicating these clients spend more than the average consumer at the grocery store, especially for milk and groceries.
- Cluster 3 has large positive values for Milk, Grocery, and Detergents_Paper indicating they spend more than the average consumer, but also has very large negative values for Fresh, Frozen, and Delicassen items indicating significantly lower spending when compared to the average consumer.

Try Again with 4 Clusters

```
set.seed(577)
KMEANS4 <- kmeans(DATA.PROCESSED, centers = 4, iter.max = 75, nstart = 50)
table(KMEANS4$cluster)
##
##
     1
         2
             3
## 130
       61 119 130
round(KMEANS4$centers, 2)
     Fresh Milk Grocery Frozen Detergents Paper Delicassen
## 1 0.54 -0.08
                   -0.24
                           0.75
                                            -0.36
                                                        0.45
## 2 -1.31
            0.52
                    0.70
                          -1.24
                                             0.79
                                                        -0.90
## 3 0.12 0.91
                    0.95 -0.08
                                                        0.56
                                             0.98
## 4 -0.04 -1.00
                   -0.95
                          -0.09
                                            -0.91
                                                       -0.54
```

There are a few cluster defining characteristics we can look at for the four cluster set up. I believe this is a better set up than the 3 cluster method because cluster 4 provides additional information, all negative values, which we do not see represented in the 3 cluster set up.

- Cluster 1 has positive values for Fresh and Frozen products, like before, but also Delicassen meaning these clients buy more of these items on average while these same clients buy less of Milk, Grocery, and Detergents_Paper compared to the average customer.
- Cluster 2 has positive values for Milk, Grocery, and Detergents_Paper indicating these clients spend more than the average consumer for these items, but also has very large negative values for Fresh, Frozen, and Delicassen items indicating significantly lower spending when compared to the average consumer with the overall report looking similar to cluster 3 during the 3 cluster set up.
- Cluster 3 has very positive values for Milk, Grocery, and Detergents_Paper and relatively positive values for Fresh and Delicassen indicating these clients spend more than the average consumer at the grocery store while being slightly below average for Frozen and this cluster has very similar patterns to Cluster 2 from the 3 cluster set up.
- Cluster 4 has very large negative values for Milk, Grocery, Detergents_Paper, and Delicassen and moderatly negative values for Fresh and Frozen items indicating these clients spend less than the average consumer and represents a new cluster that is different from the 3 cluster set up (or could provide more inssights to the analysis).

Maybe check for a 5 cluster to see if it can provide any meaningful insights

```
set.seed(577)
KMEANS5 <- kmeans(DATA.PROCESSED, centers = 5, iter.max = 75, nstart = 50)
table(KMEANS5$cluster)
##
## 1 2 3 4 5
## 54 88 100 100 98</pre>
```

round(KMEANS5\$centers, 2)

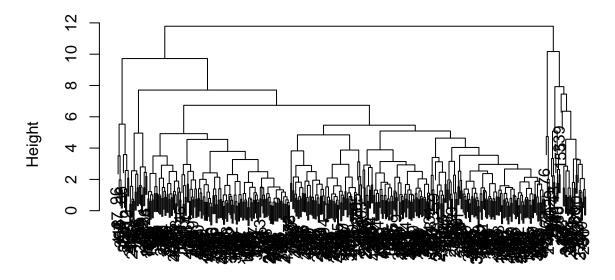
```
##
     Fresh Milk Grocery Frozen Detergents_Paper Delicassen
                    0.81
                          -1.29
                                              0.90
                                                        -0.94
  1 - 1.43
                   -1.15
## 2 -0.05 -1.25
                            0.20
                                             -1.05
                                                        -0.75
     0.64 - 0.10
                    -0.25
                            1.05
                                             -0.37
                                                         0.55
                    1.04
                            0.00
     0.11 1.06
                                              1.09
                                                         0.62
     0.06 - 0.15
                    -0.23
                           -0.54
                                             -0.28
                                                         0.00
```

The 5 cluster layout is a little better dispersion, but cluster 1 has 54 while the rest are around 100. There also exhibits some 0.00 values in cluster 4 and cluster 5 so I would probably want to stick with the 4 cluster layout over this one.

Lets try Hierical Clustering instead

```
HC <- hclust(dist(DATA.PROCESSED),method="complete")
plot(HC,main="Dendrogram (Complete)",xlab="Clients")</pre>
```

Dendrogram (Complete)



Clients hclust (*, "complete")

```
unusual_client_index <- which.max(HC$height)
print(DATA.PROCESSED[unusual_client_index, ])</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 6
## Fresh Milk Grocery Frozen Detergents_Paper Delicassen
## <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 0.344 -0.490 -0.658 -0.279 -0.972 0.766
```

summary(DATA.PROCESSED)

```
##
        Fresh
                            Milk
                                              Grocery
                                                                   Frozen
           :-4.9955
                              :-3.79061
##
    Min.
                                                  :-6.34796
                                                                       :-3.15553
                       Min.
                                           Min.
                                                               Min.
    1st Qu.:-0.4654
                       1st Qu.:-0.72733
                                           1st Qu.:-0.69016
                                                               1st Qu.:-0.53991
    Median: 0.2146
                       Median: 0.06924
                                           Median : 0.02255
                                                               Median: 0.02178
##
           : 0.0000
                              : 0.00000
                                                  : 0.00000
                                                                      : 0.00000
##
    Mean
                       Mean
                                           Mean
                                                               Mean
##
    3rd Qu.: 0.6829
                       3rd Qu.: 0.70237
                                           3rd Qu.: 0.74829
                                                               3rd Qu.: 0.68107
           : 1.9684
                              : 2.85333
   {\tt Max.}
                                           Max.
                                                  : 2.69521
                                                               Max.
                                                                      : 2.89680
##
    Detergents Paper
                          Delicassen
##
   Min.
           :-3.16199
                       Min.
                               :-4.0842
##
   1st Qu.:-0.72523
                        1st Qu.:-0.5076
##
  Median :-0.05004
                        Median: 0.1566
           : 0.00000
                               : 0.0000
##
   Mean
                        Mean
##
    3rd Qu.: 0.86739
                        3rd Qu.: 0.6462
## Max.
           : 2.23767
                        Max.
                               : 3.1737
```

One of the first clients to split off was a client with Fresh as 0.34 which is close to the median in the summary statistics so not unusual. Milk (-0.49), Grocery (-0.65), and Frozen (-0.27) were both a little lower than average, but within the interquartile range. Detergents_Paper (-0.97) was unusual as its between the first quartile and minimum meaning this client spends significantly less on detergents and paper than most other clients. The last variable Delicassen (0.76) is slightly above average, but not that unusual.

Compared to K Means

```
HC_ward <- hclust(dist(DATA.PROCESSED),method ="ward.D2")</pre>
cluster_assignments <- cutree(HC_ward, k = 4)</pre>
DATA.PROCESSED$cluster <- cluster assignments
# Calculate mean values
aggregate(DATA.PROCESSED[, -ncol(DATA.PROCESSED)],
          by = list(cluster = DATA.PROCESSED$cluster), FUN = mean)
##
     cluster
                  Fresh
                               Milk
                                        Grocery
                                                     Frozen Detergents_Paper
## 1
           1 -0.1785254
                         0.90309094
                                     0.9772447 -0.36353368
                                                                   1.0742503
## 2
           2 0.7773502 0.33912188
                                     0.1199850
                                                 1.36890155
                                                                   -0.2300783
## 3
           3 0.2109613 -0.62094528 -0.6637142 0.05867984
                                                                   -0.6382889
## 4
           4 -1.1988901 -0.03853453 0.1776938 -0.76762980
                                                                   0.2057931
##
    Delicassen
## 1 0.5607234
## 2 0.8953337
## 3 -0.1699890
## 4 -1.5675609
# Add cluster assignments
WHOLE$cluster <- cluster_assignments
# Calculate median values
aggregate(WHOLE[, -ncol(WHOLE)], by = list(cluster = WHOLE$cluster), FUN = median)
```

```
##
     cluster
               Fresh
                        Milk Grocery Frozen Detergents_Paper Delicassen
## 1
           1
              5981.0 8259.0 12469.0
                                        1148
                                                        5618.0
                                                                   1682.0
## 2
           2 23123.5 4674.5
                                                         666.5
                                                                   2420.5
                              4961.5
                                        8151
## 3
              9581.5 1813.0
                              2256.5
                                                         310.5
                                                                     691.0
           3
                                        1662
## 4
              1689.0 4230.0
                              7854.0
                                         661
                                                        2970.0
                                                                     156.0
```

- Cluster 1 is most similar to the kmeans cluster 3 by having very similar values for Milk, Grocery, Detergents_Paper, and Delicassen.
- Cluster 2 is most similar to the kmeans cluster 1 by sharing high values for Fresh, Frozen, and Delicassen with negative values for Detergents_Paper. Grocery and Milk have opposite signs.
- Cluster 3 is most similar to the kmeans cluster 4 by having negative values for all with the exception of hierarchical clustering having a slight positive value for Fresh and Frozen.
- Cluster 4 is most similar to the kmeans cluster 2 by having very low values for Fresh, Frozen, and Delicassen with moderate values for Grocery and Detergents_Paper