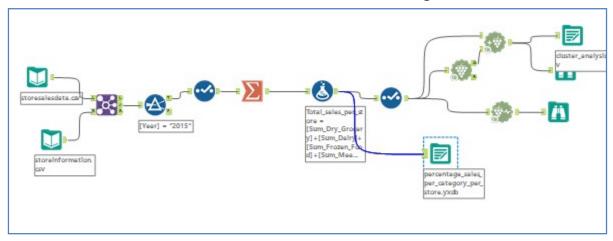
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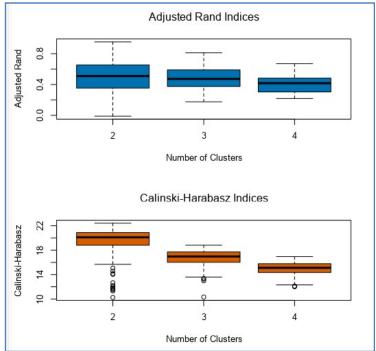
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Task 1: Determine Store Formats for Existing Stores



1. What is the optimal number of store formats? How did you arrive at that number?

3 is the optimal number of clusters because for 3 clusters AR and CH indices have high median values and also the variance is lower and are more compact.



2. How many stores fall into each store format?

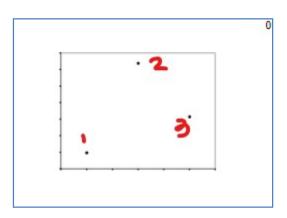
Please find below number of store as per cluster

1 ² ₃ Cluster	
2	35
1	25
3	25

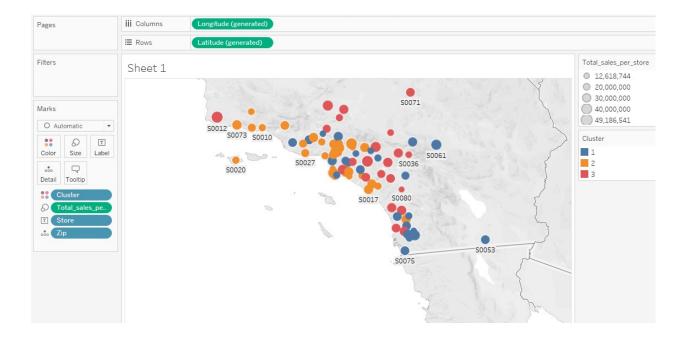
3. Based on the results of the clustering model, what is one way that the clusters differ from one another?

Looking into sales of data of cluster, It's been observed that 2 Cluster is large sale cluster where as 3 is medium size cluster and 1 small size sales cluster

Record	Cluster	Sum_Total_sales_per_store
1	1	698302817.97
2	2	968990542.87
3	3	807040485.46



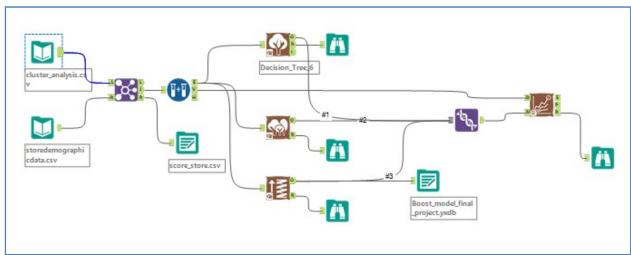
4. Please provide a Tableau visualization (saved as a Tableau Public file) that shows the location of the stores, uses color to show cluster, and size to show total sales.



Task 2: Formats for New Stores

1. What methodology did you use to predict the best store format for the new stores? Why did you choose that methodology? (Remember to Use a 20% validation sample with Random Seed = 3 to test differences in models.)

Classification (Non-binary) is good methodology to predict the store format for new stores. Here we have compared decision tree, forest, and boosted model to select best model.



Model Accuracy comparision

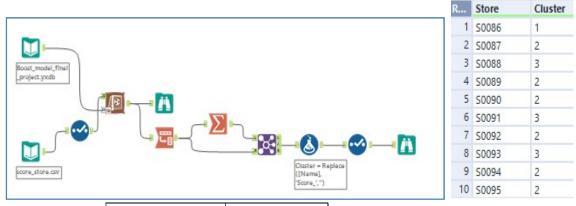
Model	Accuracy	F1	Accuracy_1	Accuracy_2	Accuracy_3
Decision_Tree_6	0.7059	0.7083	0.6250	1.0000	0.5000
forest_model boost_model	0.7059	0.7500	0.5000	1.0000	0.7500
boost_model	0.7647	0.8333	0.5000	1.0000	1.0000

Confusion matrix

Actual_1 Actual_2 Actual_Predicted_1 5 0
Predicted_2 2 5
Predicted_3 1 0
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We have selected **boost model** as its accuracy is high as compared to others.

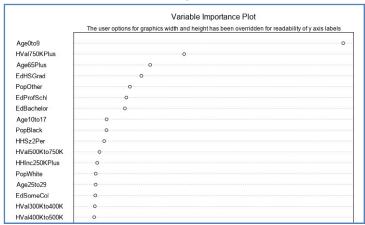
2. What format do each of the 10 new stores fall into? Please fill in the table below.



Store Number	Segment
S0086	1
S0087	2
S0088	3
S0089	2
S0090	2
S0091	3

S0092	2
S0093	3
S0094	2
S0095	2

As per below, it is been observed that age0to9, HVal750Kplus, Age65Plus and EdHSGrad are variables helps to decide store formats



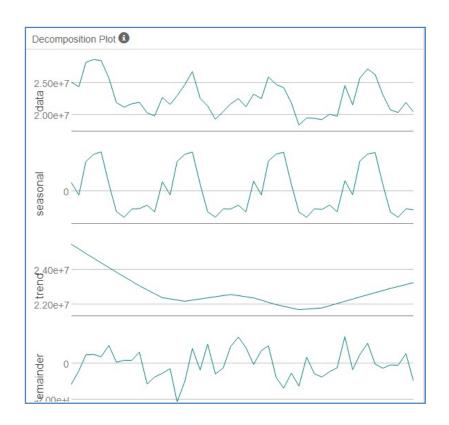
Task 3: Predicting Produce Sales

1. What type of ETS or ARIMA model did you use for each forecast? Use ETS(a,m,n) or ARIMA(ar, i, ma) notation. How did you come to that decision?

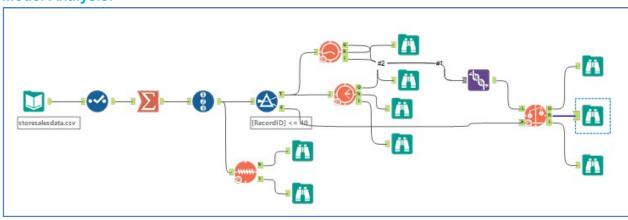
From decomposition plot, its been observed that there is no trend, seasonal is multiplicative and error is multiplicative. After comparing the results against the holdout sample, the ETS performs better against the ARIMA model. So I select ETS model to forecast.

Accuracy Measures:

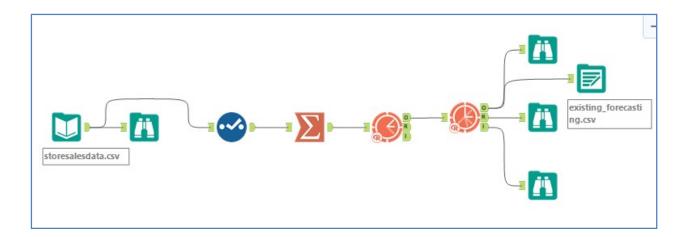
Model	ME	RMSE	MAE	MPE	MAPE	MASE
	-604232.29					
ETS	-21581.13	663707.2	553511.5	-0.0437	2.5135	0.3257



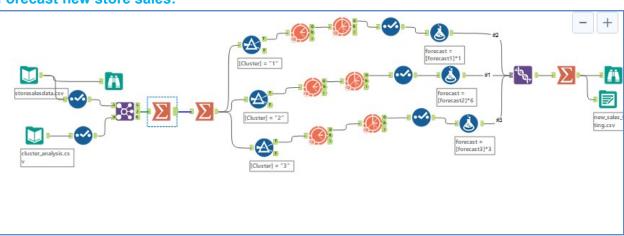
Model Analysis:



Forecasting existing store sales:

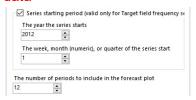


Forecast new store sales:



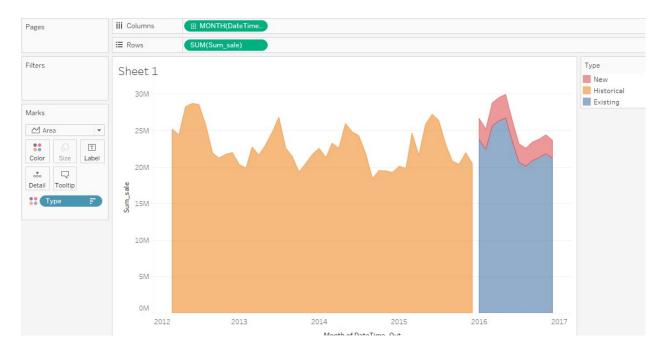
3. Please provide a table of your forecasts for existing and new stores. Also, provide visualization of your forecasts that includes historical data, existing stores forecasts, and new stores forecasts.

Note: as mentioned in review, I have mentioned starting year, but t shows no change in data



	Existing	
DateTime_Out	Store	New Store
01-01-2016	23735686.94	2910944.146
01-02-2016	22409515.28	2764881.87
01-03-2016	25621828.73	3141305.867

01-04-2016	26307858.04	3195054.204
01-05-2016	26705092.56	3212390.954
01-06-2016	23440761.33	2852385.769
01-07-2016	20640047.32	2521697.187
01-08-2016	20086270.46	2466750.894
01-09-2016	20858119.96	2557744.588
01-10-2016	21255190.24	2530510.805
01-11-2016	21829060.03	2563357.91
01-12-2016	21146329.63	2483924.728



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