

# Seasonality

INTERMEDIATE PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS IN PYTHON



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# Seasonal effects (1)



Mean donation last year, Number donations last year, ...	Target: > EUR 50 donations

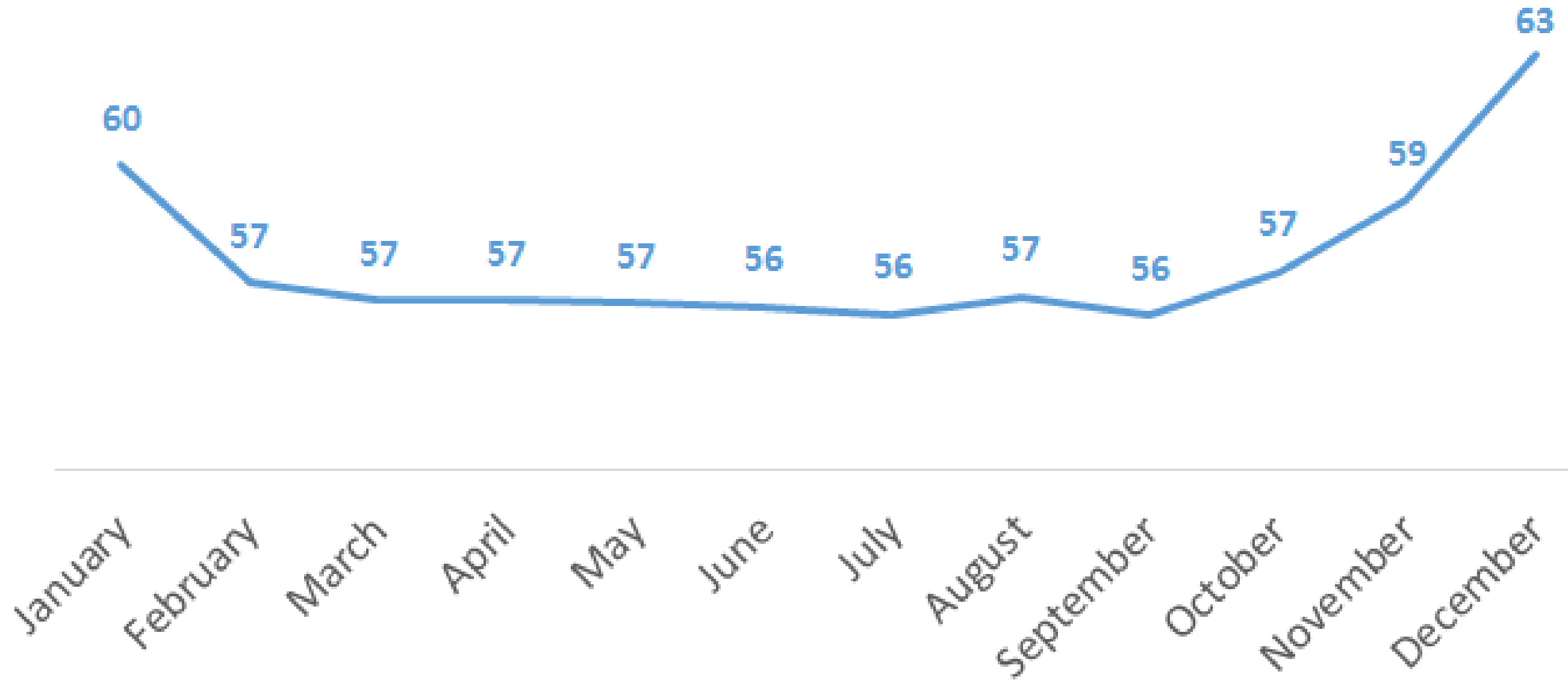
# Seasonal effects (2)

Mean number of donations

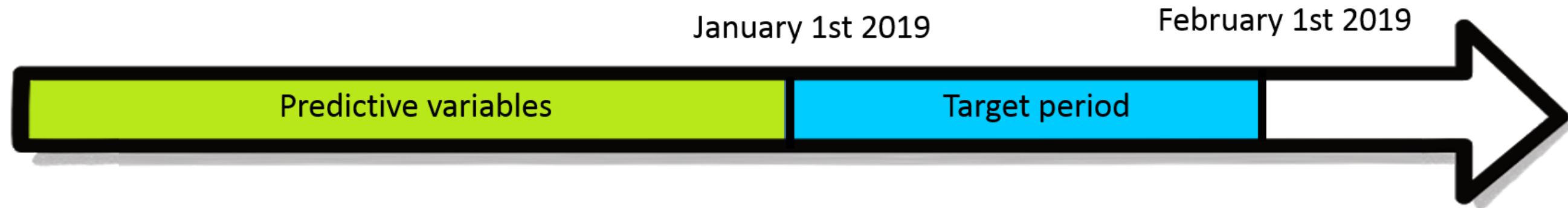


# Seasonal effects (3)

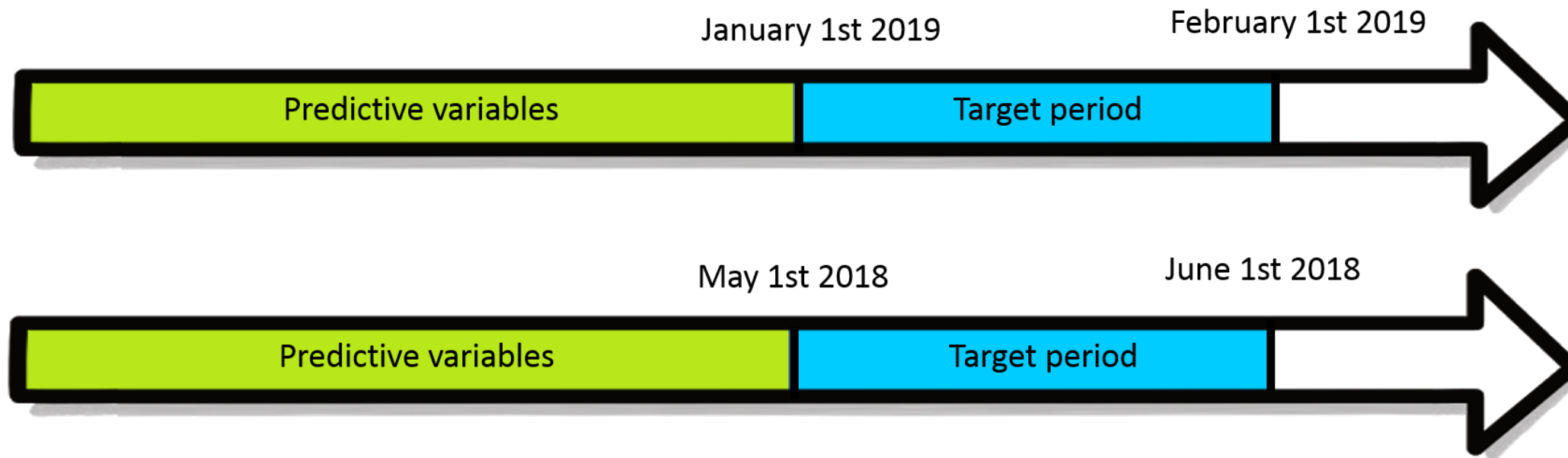
Mean donation amount



# Seasonality and the timeline (1)

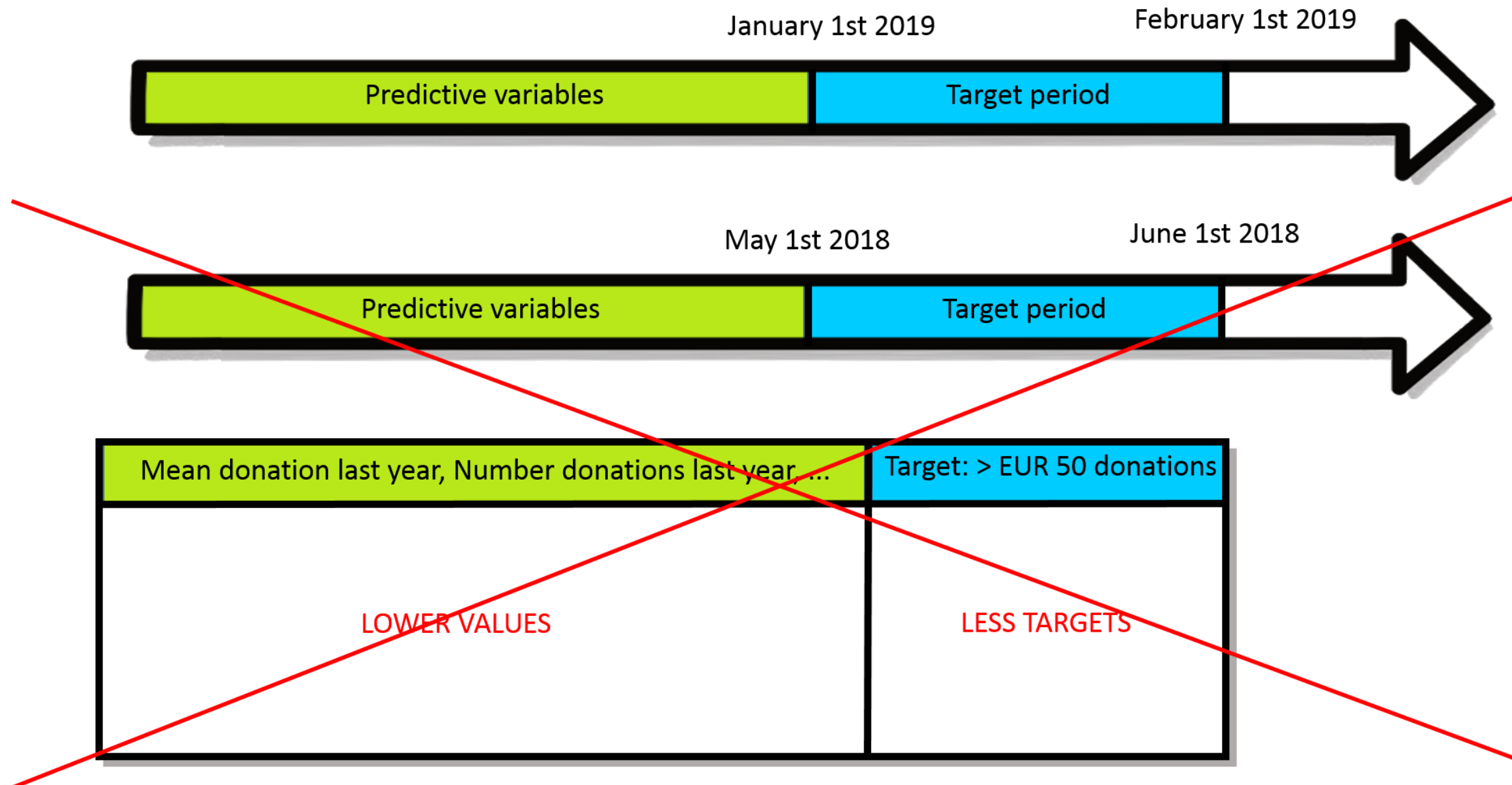


# Seasonality and the timeline (2)



Mean donation last year, Number donations last year, ...	Target: > EUR 50 donations
LOWER VALUES	LESS TARGETS

# Seasonality and the timeline (3)

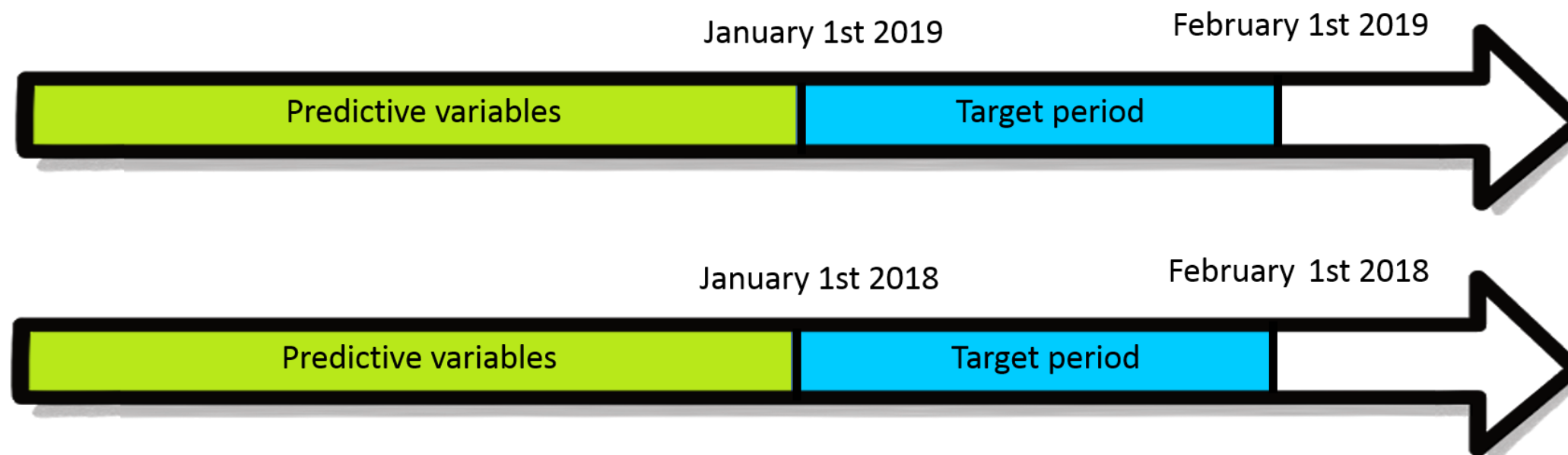


# Dealing with seasonality

- Check for seasonality

```
gifts.groupby("month")["amount"].mean()  
gifts.groupby("month").size()
```

- Use appropriate timeline in history





# Seasonality and predictive models

Model timeline May 2018

```
logreg = linear_model.LogisticRegression()  
logreg.fit(X_may2018, y_may2018)  
  
predictions = logreg.predict_proba(X_jan2019)[:,  
auc = roc_auc_score(y_jan2019, predictions)  
print(round(auc, 2))
```

0.53

Model timeline January 2018

```
logreg = linear_model.LogisticRegression()  
logreg.fit(X_jan2018, y_jan2018)  
  
predictions = logreg.predict_proba(X_jan2019)[:,  
auc = roc_auc_score(y_jan2019, predictions)  
print(round(auc, 2))
```

0.56

# Let's practice!

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# Using multiple snapshots

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# Not enough data

- Small population

```
print(len(basetable))
```

```
4738
```

- Small number of targets

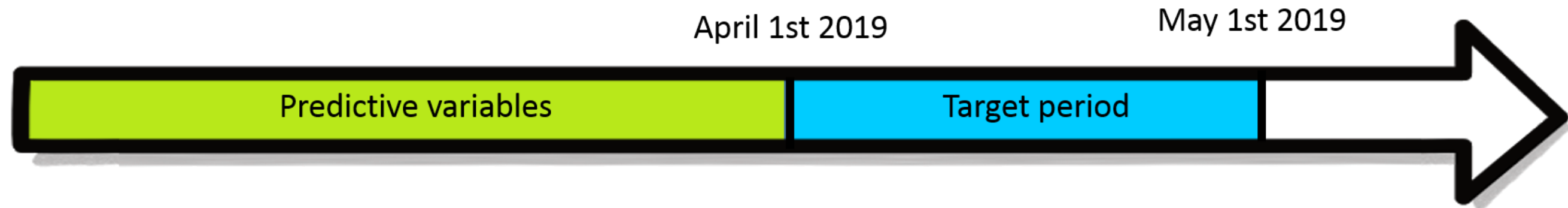
```
print(len(basetable))
```

```
394010
```

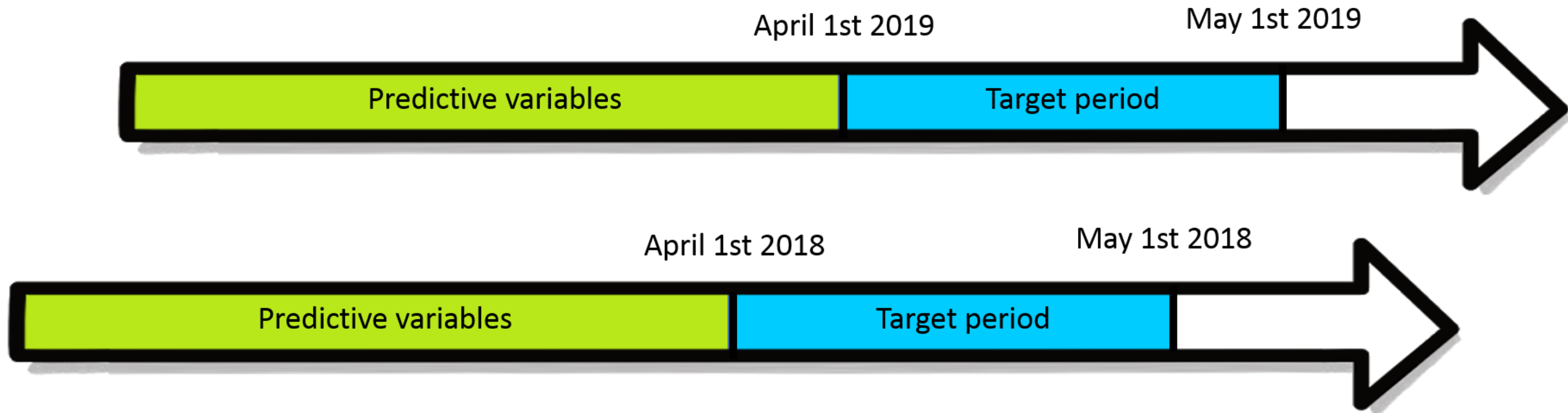
```
print(sum(basetable["target"]))
```

```
230
```

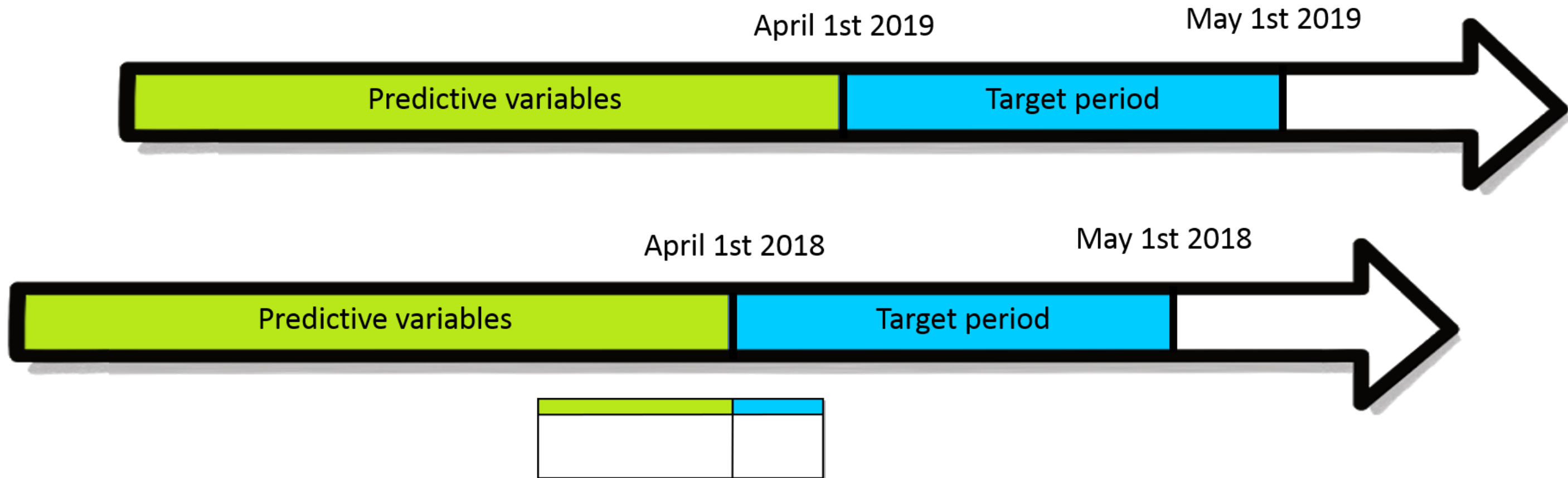
# Using multiple snapshots (1)



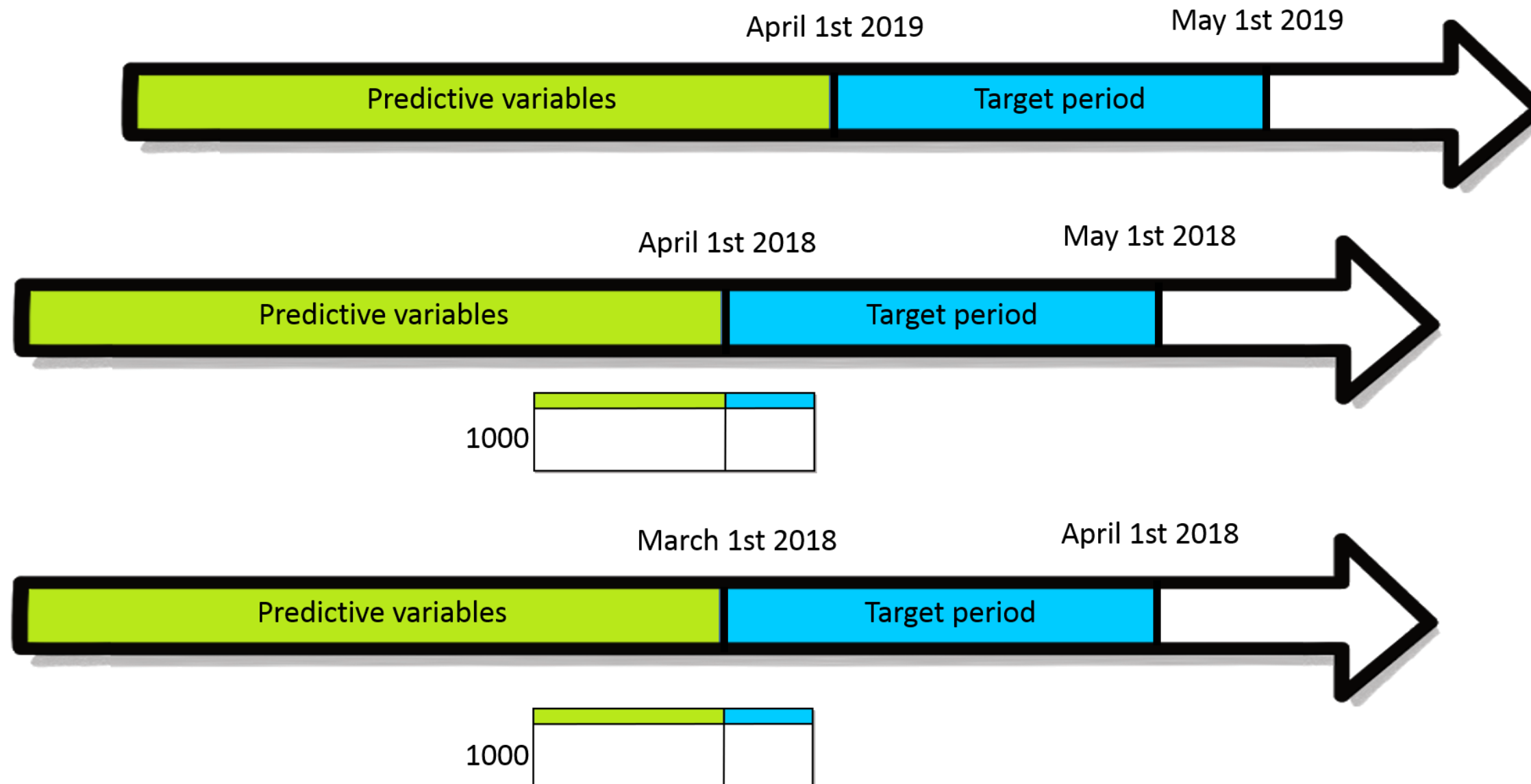
# Using multiple snapshots (2)



# Using multiple snapshots (3)

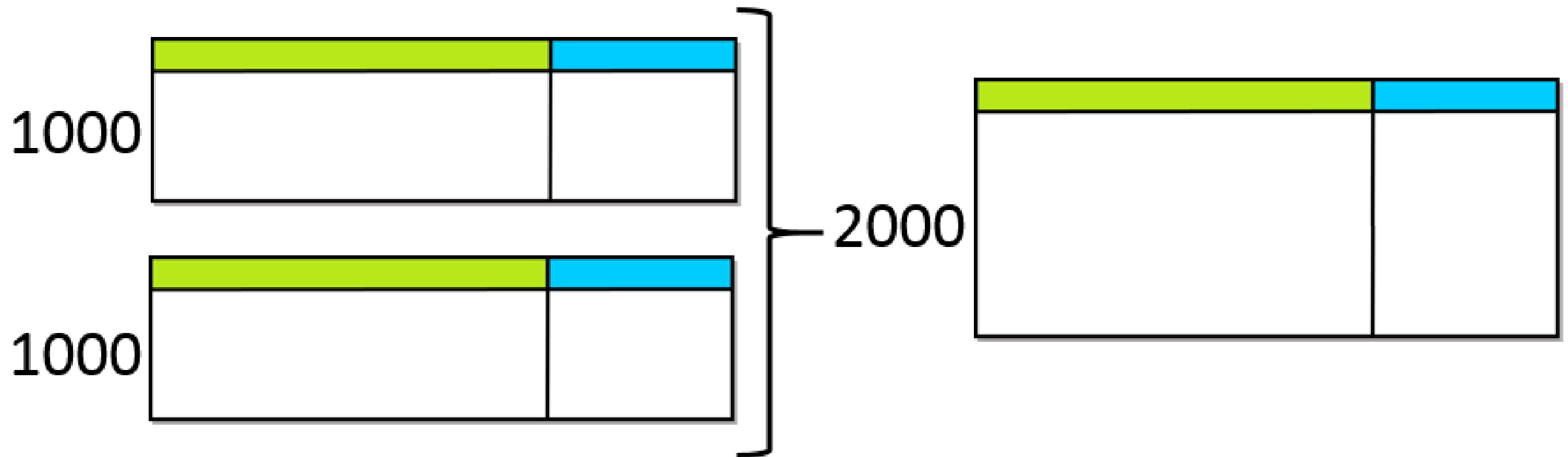


# Using multiple snapshots (4)



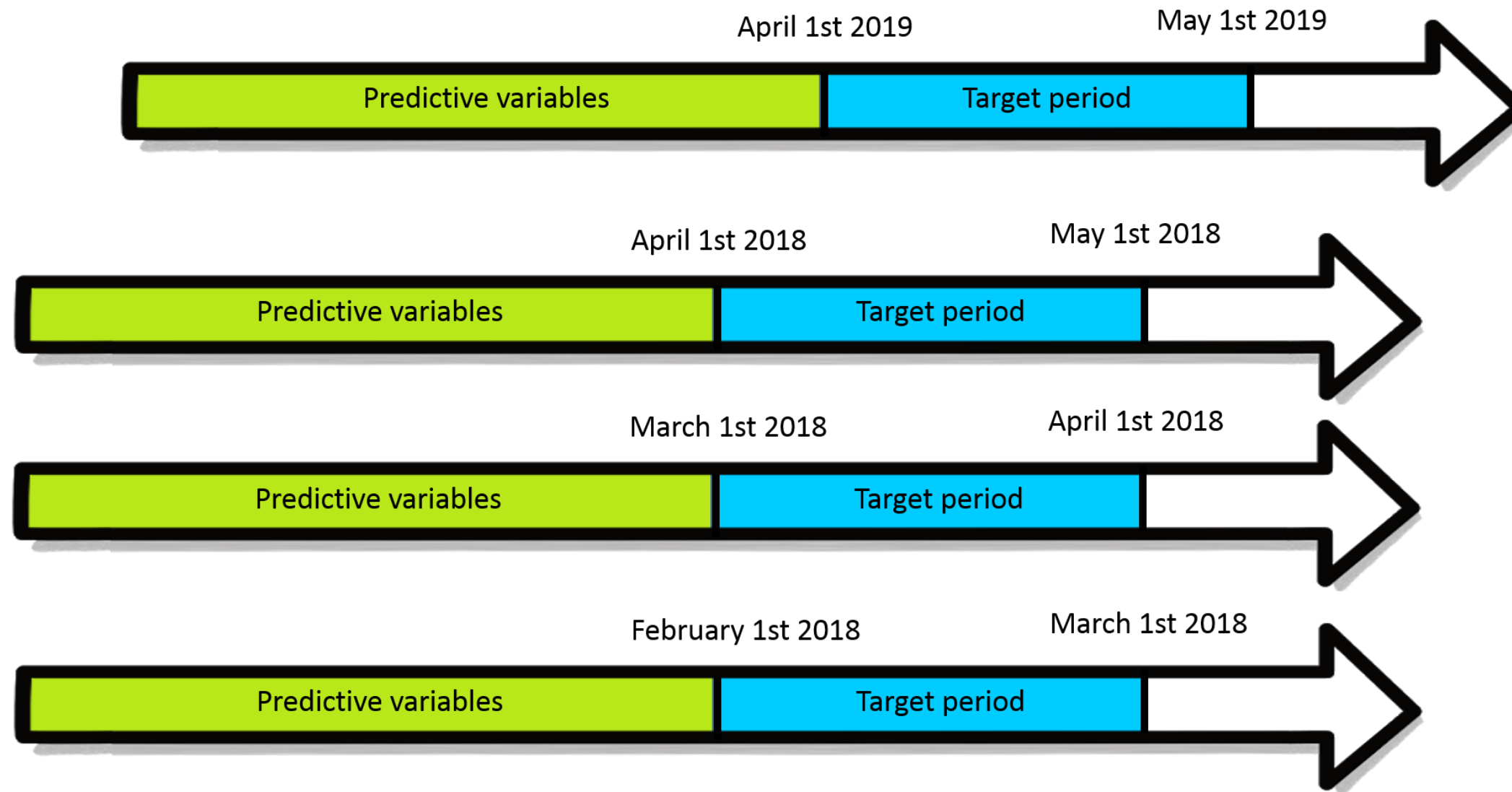


# Stacking basetables



```
basetable = basetable_april2018.append(basetable_march2018)
```

# Snapshots and seasonality



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# The timegap

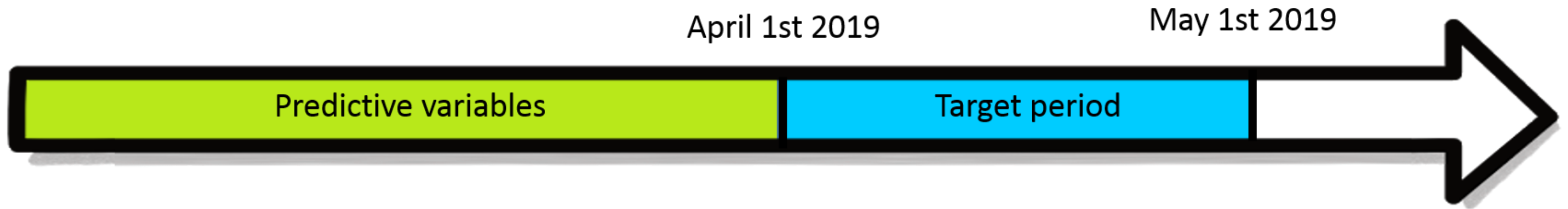
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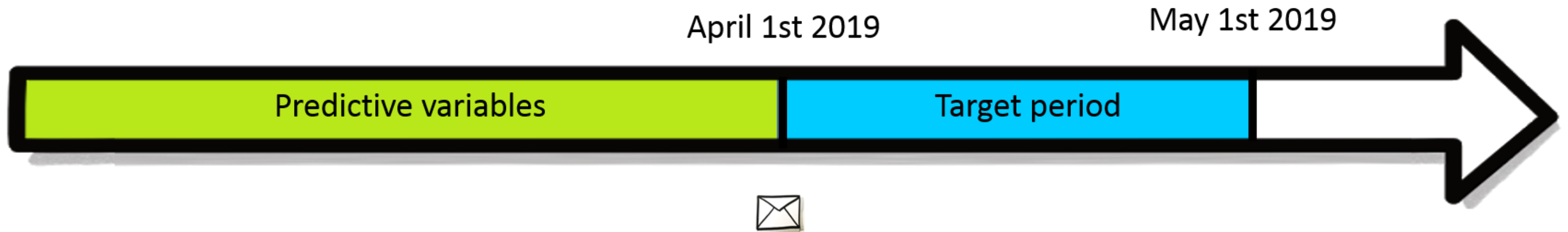
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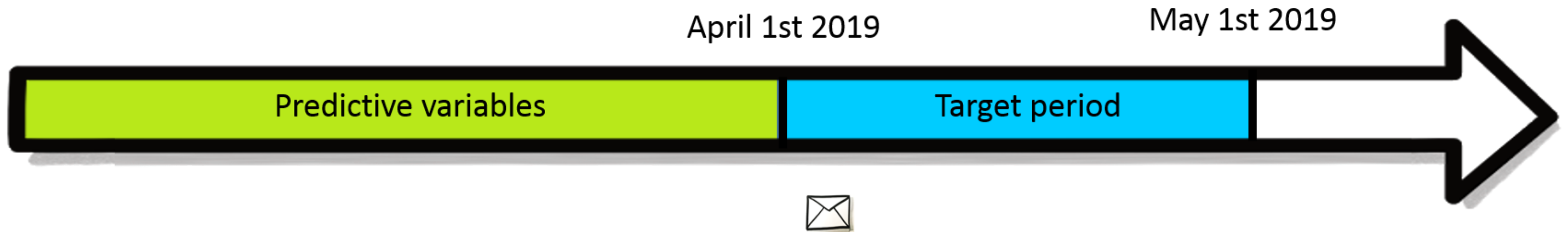
# Timegap: motivation (1)



# Timegap: motivation (2)



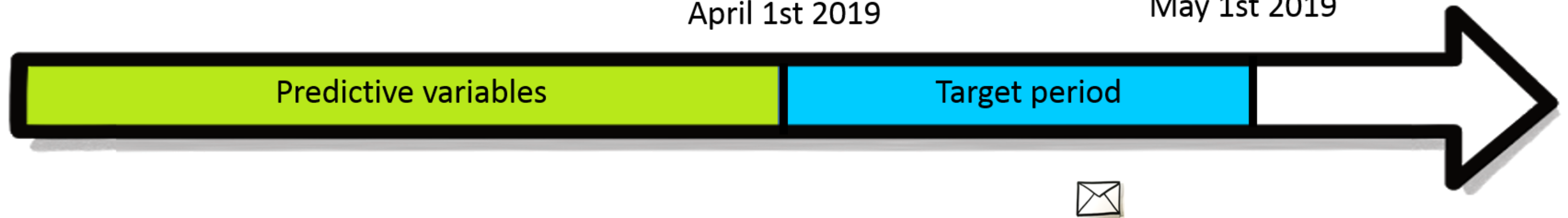
# Timegap: motivation (3)



# Timegap: motivation (4)

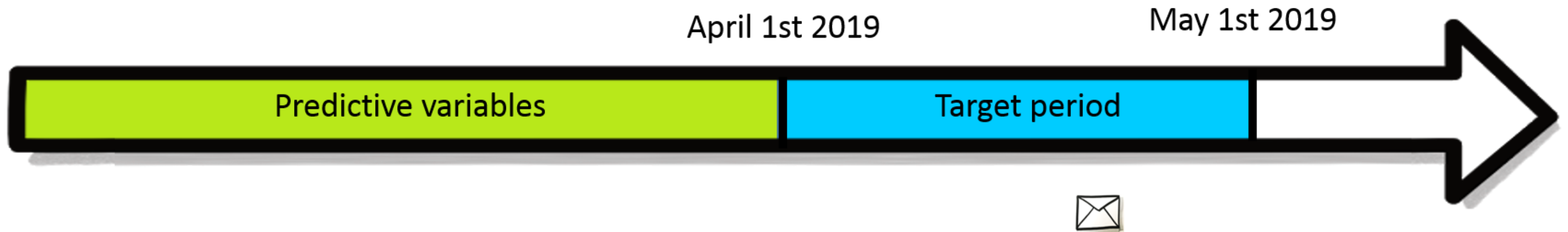
April 1st 2019

May 1st 2019

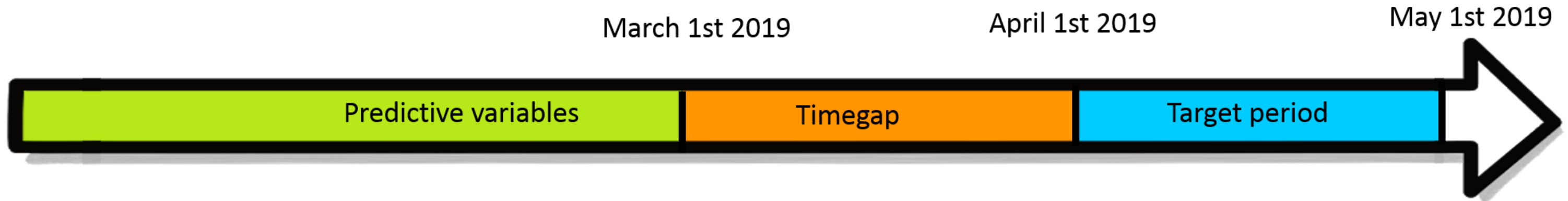




# Timegap: motivation (5)



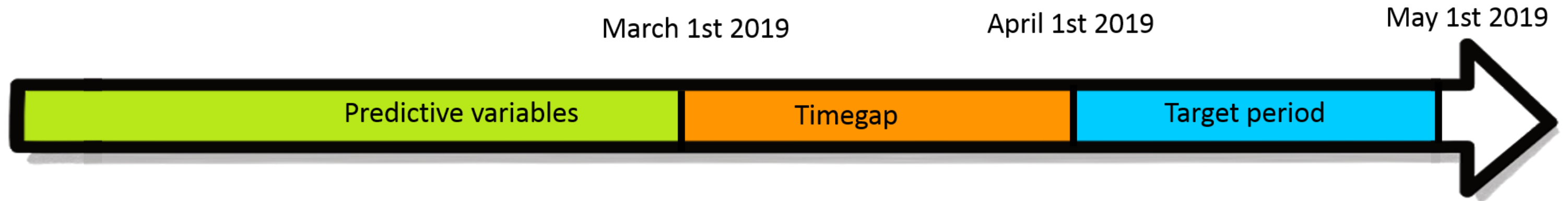
# Adding a timegap



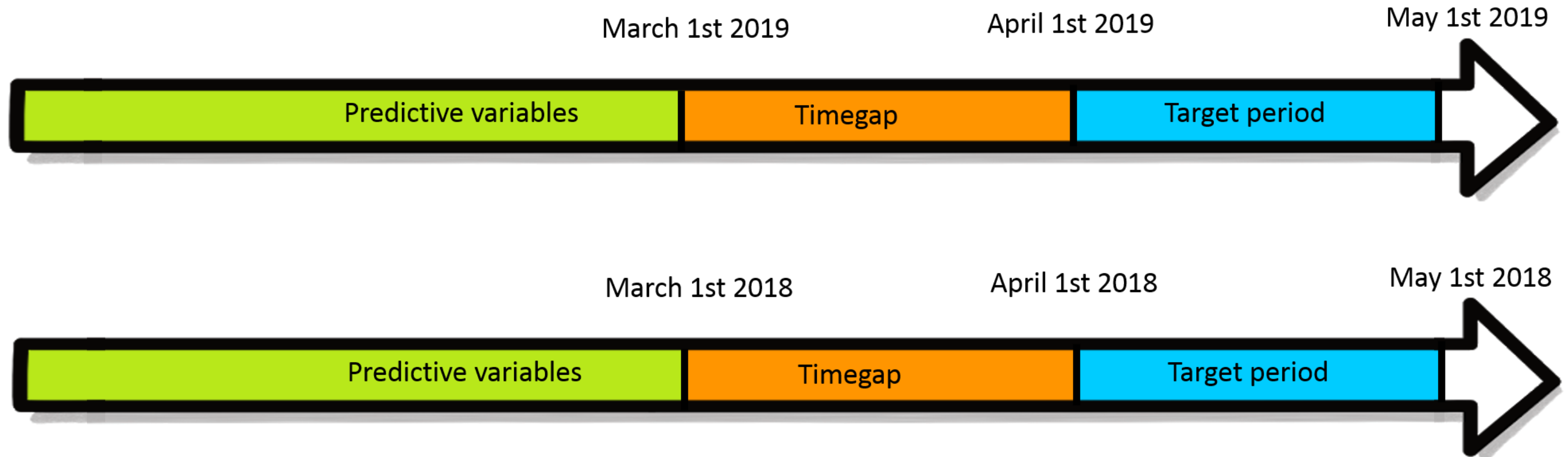
Timegap:

- Gather data
- Run the model
- Prepare the campaign

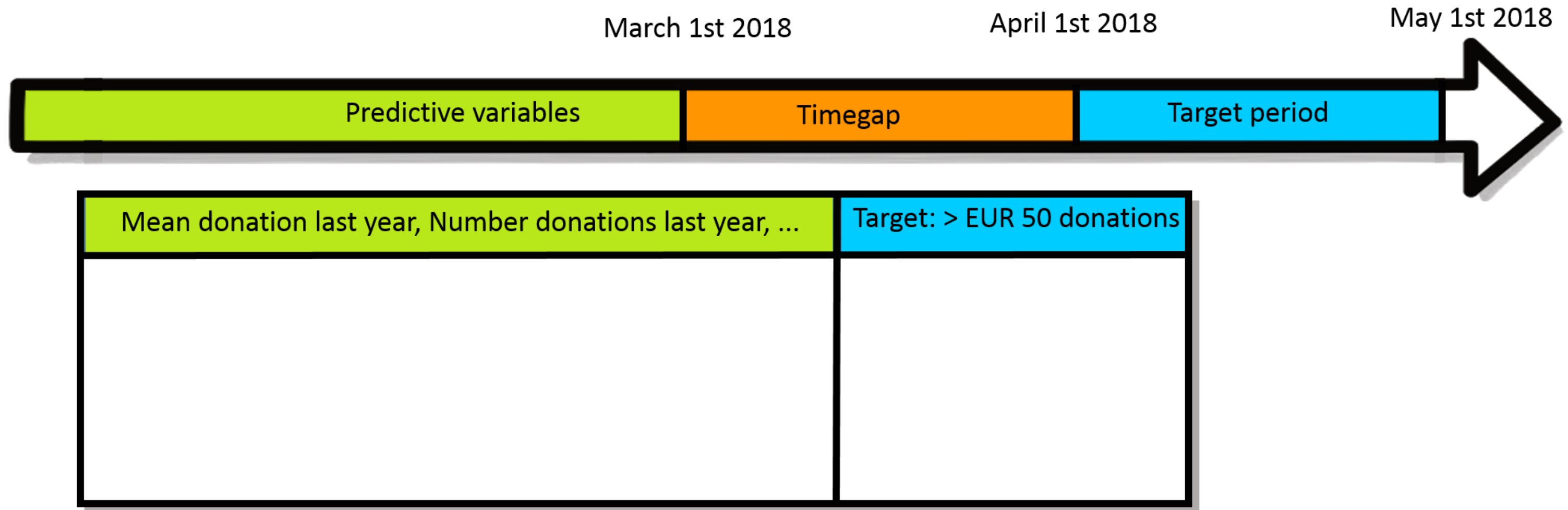
# Reconstructing the timeline in history (1)



# Reconstructing the timeline in history (2)



# Constructing the basetable



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# Congratulations!

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# What you learned...

1. Draw the timeline:
  - Timegap
2. Reconstruct timeline in history:
  - Seasonality
  - Multiple snapshots
3. Determine the population
4. Calculate the target values
5. Add candidate predictors
6. Clean the data



# Congratulations!

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