# CUSTOMER GROWTH FORECAST FOR EARLY START-UP



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The Exponential Customer Growth Forecast model is a powerful tool for forecasting customer sales growth over a specified time period. This model is based on the exponential growth of customer sales, taking into account the fee, frequency of orders, number of customers, year, growth rate and sample rate. The model is implemented through a class in Python and can be used to generate a sample of customers, calculate the forecast for sales, plot the forecast as a bar graph, and also convert the forecast to a dataframe. The model provides a visual representation of the expected growth of customer sales, helping businesses make informed decisions about future growth and budgeting. The model is easy to use and can be customized to fit the specific needs of each business.

#### **IMPORT LIBRARIES**

In [124...

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import datetime
```

### **EXPONENTIAL CUSTOMER GROWTH FORECAST**

The forecasting model implemented in the SaleForecast class is an exponential growth model. This model assumes that the number of customers will grow exponentially over time at a specified growth rate. It calculates the sales forecast based on the number of customers, frequency of orders, and the fee of service.

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In [169... class ExponentialCustomerGrowthForecast:
             def init (self, fee: float, frequency: int, num customers: int,
                           year: int, growth: float, sample rate: float):
                 self.fee = fee
                 self.frequency = frequency
                 self.num_customers = num_customers
                 self.year = year
                 self.growth = growth
                 self.sample rate = sample rate
             def generate sample(self):
                 #creating sample from population
                 #num of customers are population or total market
                 #sample rate is the hypothesis or market captured rate
                 sample = int(self.num customers * self.sample rate)
                 return sample
             def calculate_forecast(self):
                 months = 12 * self.year
                 sales = []
                 for month in range(1, months + 1):
                      sample = self.generate sample()
                      #first month growth rate will zero growth rate
                      total_customers = sample * (1 + self.growth) ** (month - 1)
                      num_orders = self.frequency
                      #montly sales will sum of sample per month, fee and number of
                      monthly_sales = total_customers * num_orders * self.fee
                      sales.append(monthly_sales)
                 return sales
             def plot forecast(self):
                 sales = self.calculate forecast()
                 months = list(range(1, 12 * self.year + 1))
                 plt.style.use('dark background')
                 plt.figure(figsize=(15,6))
                 plt.plot(months, sales, color="white", linestyle="--")
                 plt.bar(months, sales, color="red")
                 plt.grid(linestyle='--', color='gray', alpha=0.5)
                 plt.xlabel('Months', fontsize=20)
                 plt.ylabel('Sales', fontsize=20)
                 plt.title('Customer Sales Growth Forecast',fontsize=20)
                 plt.show()
             def to dataframe(self):
                  sales = self.calculate forecast()
                 months = list(range(1, 12 * self.year + 1))
                 data = {'Month': months, 'Sales': sales}
                 df = pd.DataFrame(data)
                 return df
```

Let say, you are a early stage start-up companies. you want to project customer sales every month. we can use algorithms evaluating your price model.

- 1. Number of customer: Population of the dataset or total customer.
- 2. Sample rate: It is 1 to 5 percent of market or customer acquisition.
- 3. Growth: The constant growth rate of customers (between 0 and 1).
- 4. Month: Time interval for sales are being forecasted.
- 5. Frequency: The number of orders per customer per month.
- 6. Fee: The price of the service or product.

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In [170... fee = 2.99 #2.99 pounds service charge
    frequency = 4 #Number of orders per customer
    num_customers = 5000 #Population size
    year = 5 #Number of years
    growth = 0.05 #5% growth rate
    sample_rate = 0.01 #5 percent of Market
```



In [208... forecast\_df

#### Out[208]:

	Month	Sales	Date
0	1	598.000000	April 2023
1	2	627.900000	May 2023
2	3	659.295000	May 2023
3	4	692.259750	June 2023
4	5	726.872738	July 2023
5	6	763.216374	August 2023
6	7	801.377193	September 2023
7	8	841.446053	October 2023

8	9	883.518355	November 2023
9	10	927.694273	December 2023
10	11	974.078987	January 2024
11	12	1022.782936	February 2024
12	13	1073.922083	March 2024
13	14	1127.618187	April 2024
14	15	1183.999096	May 2024
15	16	1243.199051	June 2024
16	17	1305.359004	July 2024
17	18	1370.626954	August 2024
18	19	1439.158302	September 2024
19	20	1511.116217	October 2024
20	21	1586.672028	November 2024
21	22	1666.005629	December 2024
22	23	1749.305911	January 2025
23	24	1836.771206	February 2025
24	25	1928.609766	March 2025
25	26	2025.040255	April 2025
26	27	2126.292267	May 2025
27	28	2232.606881	June 2025
28	29	2344.237225	July 2025
29	30	2461.449086	August 2025
30	31	2584.521540	September 2025
31	32	2713.747617	October 2025
32	33	2849.434998	November 2025
33	34	2991.906748	December 2025
34	35	3141.502086	January 2026
35	36	3298.577190	February 2026
36	37	3463.506049	March 2026
37	38	3636.681352	April 2026
38	39	3818.515419	May 2026
39	40	4009.441190	June 2026
40	41	4209.913250	July 2026
41	42	4420.408912	August 2026
42	43	4641.429358	September 2026
43	44	4873.500826	October 2026

44	45	5117.175867	November 2026
45	46	5373.034661	December 2026
46	47	5641.686394	January 2027
47	48	5923.770713	February 2027
48	49	6219.959249	March 2027
49	50	6530.957211	April 2027
50	51	6857.505072	May 2027
51	52	7200.380325	June 2027
52	53	7560.399342	July 2027
53	54	7938.419309	August 2027
54	55	8335.340274	September 2027
55	56	8752.107288	October 2027
56	57	9189.712652	November 2027
57	58	9649.198285	December 2027
58	59	10131.658199	January 2028
59	60	10638.241109	February 2028

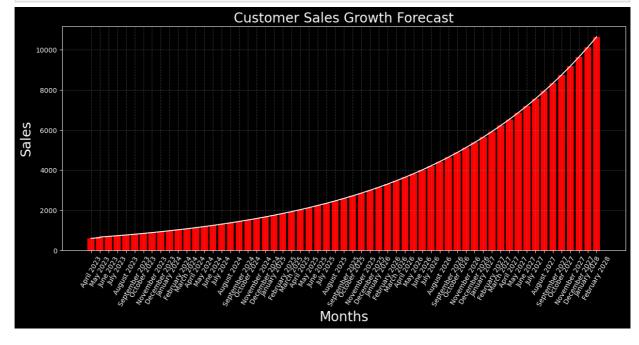
### **CONVERTING NUMBER TO MONTHS**

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In [172... | def running_number_to_month(running_numbers):
              #year, month and day
              start_date = datetime.date(2023, 4, 1)
              month_difference = datetime.timedelta(days=30)
              months = []
              for running_number in running_numbers:
                  target_date = start_date + (running_number - 1) * month_differenc
                  months.append(target_date.strftime("%B %Y"))
              return months
In [173... Date = running_number_to_month(list(range(1,61)))
In [174... Date[:10]
Out[174]: ['April 2023',
            'May 2023',
            'May 2023',
            'June 2023',
            'July 2023',
            'August 2023',
            'September 2023',
            'October 2023',
            'November 2023',
            'December 2023']
In [175... forecast_df['Date'] = Date
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#### Out[176]:

	Month	Sales	Date
0	1	598.000000	April 2023
1	2	627.900000	May 2023
2	3	659.295000	May 2023
3	4	692.259750	June 2023
4	5	726.872738	July 2023
5	6	763.216374	August 2023
6	7	801.377193	September 2023
7	8	841.446053	October 2023
8	9	883.518355	November 2023
9	10	927.694273	December 2023

```
In [177... plt.style.use('dark_background')
   plt.figure(figsize=(15,6))
   plt.plot(forecast_df["Date"], forecast_df["Sales"], color="white")
   plt.bar(forecast_df["Date"], forecast_df["Sales"], color="red")
   plt.grid(linestyle='--', color='gray', alpha=0.5)
   plt.xticks(rotation=60)
   plt.xlabel('Months',fontsize=20)
   plt.ylabel('Sales',fontsize=20)
   plt.title('Customer Sales Growth Forecast',fontsize=20)
   plt.show()
```



## GENERATE FORECASTS FOR THE ENTIRE POPULATION

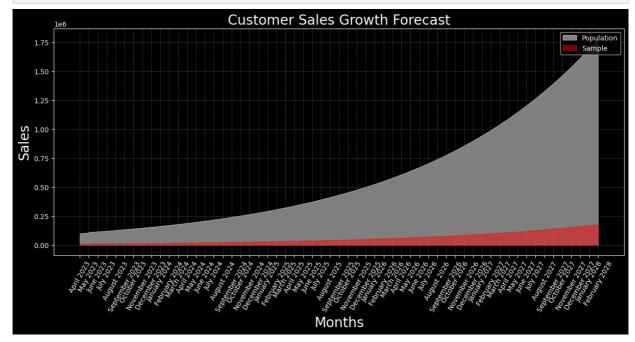
Out[190]:		Month	Sales	Date
	0	1	100000.000000	April 2023
	1	2	105000.000000	May 2023
	2	3	110250.000000	May 2023
	3	4	115762.500000	June 2023
	4	5	121550.625000	July 2023
	5	6	127628.156250	August 2023
	6	7	134009.564063	September 2023
	7	8	140710.042266	October 2023
	8	9	147745.544379	November 2023
	9	10	155132.821598	December 2023

## GENERATE FORECASTS FOR A RANDOM SAMPLE OF THE POPULATION

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In [195... # Generate forecasts for a random sample of the population
    sample_forecast = ExponentialCustomerGrowthForecast(fee=100, frequency=1,
    sample_df = sample_forecast.to_dataframe()
    sample_df['Date']=Date
    sample_df[:10]
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Out[195]:		Month	Sales	Date
	0	1	10000.000000	April 2023
	1	2	10500.000000	May 2023
	2	3	11025.000000	May 2023
	3	4	11576.250000	June 2023
	4	5	12155.062500	July 2023
	5	6	12762.815625	August 2023
	6	7	13400.956406	September 2023
	7	8	14071.004227	October 2023
	8	9	14774.554438	November 2023
	9	10	15513.282160	December 2023

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In [200... plt.style.use('dark_background')
   plt.figure(figsize=(15,6))
   plt.fill_between(population_df["Date"], population_df["Sales"], color="wh
   plt.fill_between(sample_df["Date"], sample_df["Sales"], color="red", labe
   plt.grid(linestyle='--', color='gray', alpha=0.5)
   plt.xticks(rotation=60)
   plt.xlabel('Months',fontsize=20)
   plt.ylabel('Sales',fontsize=20)
   plt.title('Customer Sales Growth Forecast',fontsize=20)
   plt.legend()
   plt.show()
```



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In [201... # Compare the growth rates
population_growth_rate = (population_df['Sales'].iloc[-1] - population_df
sample_growth_rate = (sample_df['Sales'].iloc[-1] - sample_df['Sales'].il

print("Population growth rate:", population_growth_rate)
print("Sample growth rate:", sample_growth_rate)
```

Population growth rate: 16.789700851545707 Sample growth rate: 16.789700851545707

#### **VALIDATION**

```
In [204... forecast_df.head(3)
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```
        Out [204]:
        Month
        Sales
        Date

        0
        1
        598.000
        April 2023

        1
        2
        627.900
        May 2023

        2
        3
        659.295
        May 2023
```

```
In [51]: first_month_sale = fee * frequency * num_customers * sample_rate
    round(first_month_sale,4)
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Out[51]: 598.0

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In [63]: second_month_sale = first_month_sale + (first_month_sale*growth)
          round(second_month_sale,4)
          627.9
Out[63]:
          third_month_sale = second_month_sale + (second_month_sale*growth)
In [62]:
          round(third_month_sale, 4)
          659.295
Out[62]:
In [207...
          forecast_df.tail(1)
              Month
                           Sales
                                         Date
Out [207]:
           59
                 60 10638.241109 February 2028
          final_month_sale = first_month_sale * (1 + growth) ** (12 * year - 1)
In [60]:
          round(final_month_sale, 4)
          10638.2411
```

Out[60]: