

『Marketing Science』

Week 6 : Multi-Touch Digital Attribution

- Intro
- Plan - Buy - Measure
- Multi Touch Attribution Model
- Challenge & Problem
- Triangulation of next-gen measurement

: MTA, MMM, Incrementality



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Plan & Buy

- Objectives

- Brand

- Performance

- Traffic

- Lead Generation

- Install, Conversion

- Sales

KPI

: Reach, Ad Recall, Brand Awareness, ...

: Volume, Cost Per Click, ...

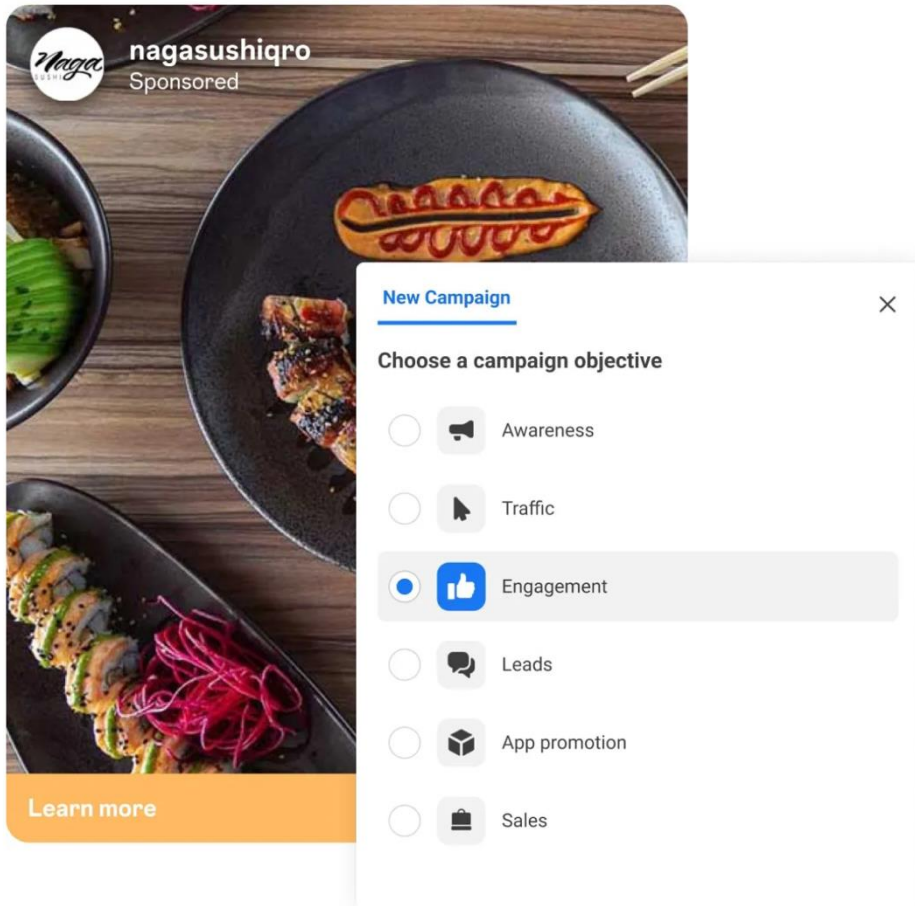
: Volume, Cost Per Lead, Lead Quality, ...

: Volume, Cost Per Action, LTV, ...

: Volume, ROAS, ...

Plan & Buy

Meta - Campaign Objectives



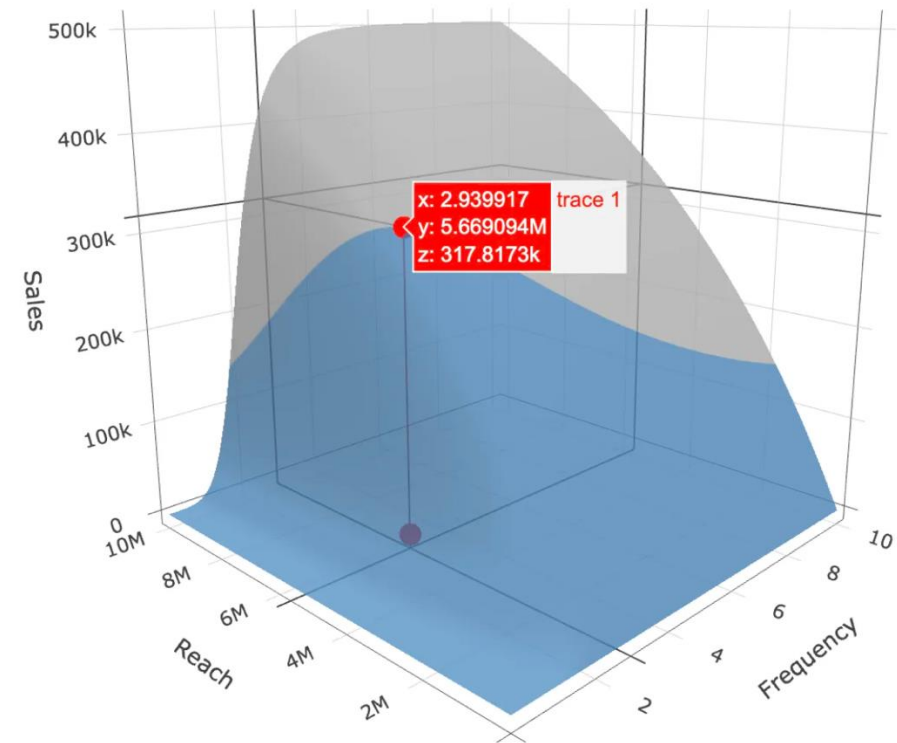
Google Ads - Campaign Objectives

Objective	When to use it	Types of features
Sales	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drive sales or conversions from customers who are ready to act• Engage with customers who've already contacted you or are very close to making a purchase decision	Features that start the purchasing or conversion process, such as visually striking ads, automated bidding and targeting, and other features that help you reach people who are actively browsing, researching, or comparing the products and services you sell
Leads	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Encourage relevant customers to express interest in your products or services by signing up for a newsletter or providing their contact information	Features that start the conversion process, such as automated bidding and targeting, visually striking ads, and other features that help you collect email addresses, newsletter signups, or other relevant contact information from people interested in your business
Website traffic	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drive potential customers to visit your website	Features that help researching customers find potential product options, such as automated bidding, targeting, and ad creation, as well as features that can help you build a list of visitors you can later reconnect with
Awareness and consideration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increase awareness of your products or services.• Introduce customers to what you offer when releasing a new product or expanding your business into a new area.	Features that help you build brand recognition, such as compelling visual ads, bid strategies that drive views, and other features that help attract new customers and capture their attention

Plan & Buy

- Budget, Target Audience
- Period
- Reach & Frequency
- Message, Creative
- Channel, Mix, ...
- Bid: CPC, CPM, CPA, CPV, ...
- ...

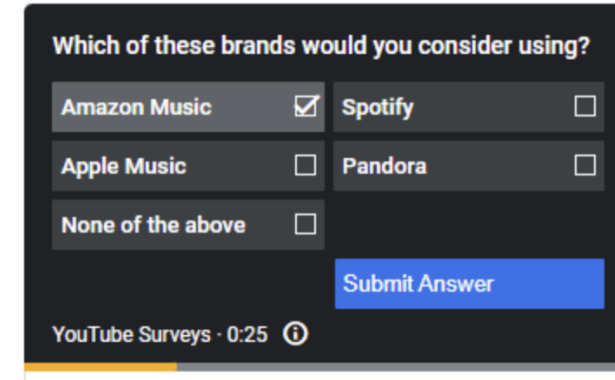
Reach & frequency optimisation surface
(blue is budget constrained area,
total imp inventory: $1e+05/6*1000=16666667$
nonlinear optm solution: 5669094 reach x 2.94 frequency)



[Meta Robyn - The reach & frequency allocator](#)

Measure

- Reach, Impression, Click, CPC, CTR, CPM
- Bounce Rate, Conversion Rate, Funnel Drop, ...
- # of conversions
- AOV, Conversion Value, ...
- CPI, CPA, ROAS, ...
- Brand Lift Survey, ...
- Measurement should align with planned KPIs



Which of these brands would you consider using?

Amazon Music	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Spotify	<input type="checkbox"/>
Apple Music	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pandora	<input type="checkbox"/>
None of the above	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Submit Answer

YouTube Surveys · 0:25 ⓘ



LinkedIn Promoted

Do you recall seeing an ad for [Your Brand name] online or on a mobile device in the last 7 days?

Yes

No

I don't know

Your response will be anonymous to the advertiser and other members. [Learn more about brand surveys](#)

Multi Touch Attribution Model

Why multi touch attribution model?

Heuristic Attribution Models

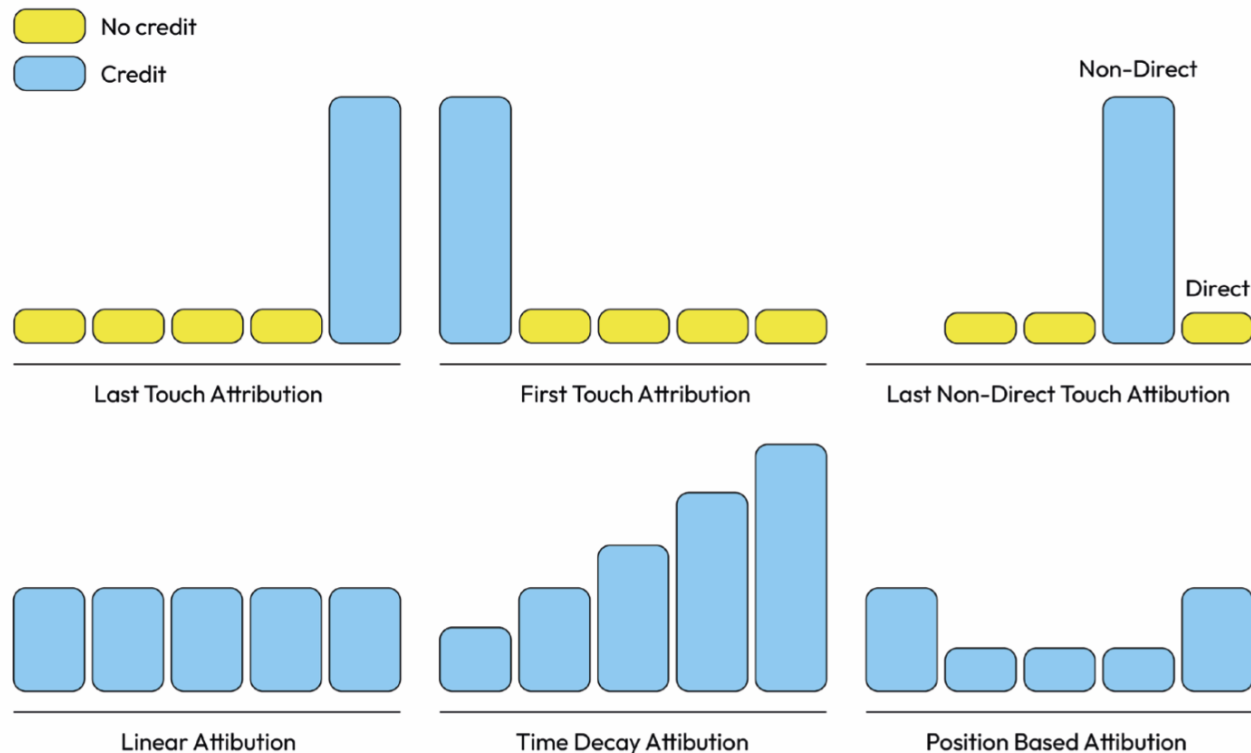


Figure 11.2 – Different heuristic attribution models

We now have a shorter DataFrame with only the columns we need in *Table 11.1*:

	user_id	date_served	date_subscribed	marketing_channel	converted
0	a100000029	2018-01-01	2018-01-01	House Ads	1
1	a100000030	2018-01-01	2018-01-01	House Ads	1
2	a100000031	2018-01-01	2018-01-01	House Ads	1
3	a100000032	2018-01-01	2018-01-01	House Ads	1
4	a100000033	2018-01-01	2018-01-01	House Ads	1

Table 11.1 – The first rows of the cleaned attribution data

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last_touch_attr = data.groupby(['marketing_channel'])
                    .agg({'converted': 'sum'})
last_touch_attr
```

marketing_channel	converted
Email	167
Facebook	237
House Ads	298
Instagram	265
Push	83

Table 11.2 – The last touch attribution model

Algorithmic Attribution Models - Shapley Value Attribution

The formula to calculate the shapely value is as follows:

$$\phi_i(v) = \sum_{S \subseteq N \setminus \{i\}} \frac{|S|! (n - |S| - 1)!}{n!} (v(S \cup \{i\}) - v(S))$$

Let's review the key notations:

- $N = \text{Channels}\{\text{Display Ads, Facebook, Email, Google}\}$ is a set of players. Note that instead of features, we take **channels as the "players."**
- i = a specific channel or player
- S = coalition, a subset of players that worked together to achieve a conversion
- $|S|$ = cardinality of S , the number of players in the coalition
- n = the number of channels or players in the game
- $v(S)$ = a real-valued function v that is a characteristic function that maps every coalition S to a value $v(S)$, the value of coalition S of channels. In our case, it is the weight of each channel after the calculation
- $\text{Weight} = |S|!(n - |S| - 1)!n!$
- **Marginal contribution** = $v(S \cup i) - v(S)$ – that is, the incremental weighted sum minus the coalition without $v(S)$

Conversions are credited to the channels by a process of permutating the customer journeys. In each permutation, a channel is given an estimate of how essential it is overall.

1. Efficiency: The entire value to the group is divided

This is sensible: let's say there are 3 channels that contributed to a sale. Then the percentage contribution for all 3 should add up to 100 percent.

2. Null Player: A player that adds no value to any group gets nothing

A channel that does not lead to more sales should get a value of 0. Again, this rule makes sense.

3. Symmetry: Players who add exactly the same value get the same shares

For example, if two salespeople worked together on a sale equally, it is sensible to split the commission.

4. Additivity: If two games "add up" to a single game, the values in each game add up to the single game

This is a bit more technical point because it involves drawing out game diagrams. But here's a rough analogy. Let's say you are buying a car. One game is buying the car, another game is financing, and a third game is all the add-ons. Or this can be treated as a single game of buying a financed car with add-ons. The value assigned in the single large game should be the summation of the values assigned in the individual games.

Now comes the kicker. There is only one division scheme that meets all four of the criteria: this is the Shapley value. (This is a remarkable result, and it is part of the reason Lloyd Shapley was recognized with the Nobel Prize.)

Multi Touch Attribution Model

Algorithmic Attribution Models - Shapley Value Attribution

	marketing_channel_subset	converted
0	Email	110
1	Email,Facebook	11
2	Email,Facebook,House Ads	8
3	Email,Facebook,House Ads,Instagram	0
4	Email,House Ads	40
5	Email,House Ads,Instagram	3
6	Email,House Ads,Push	1
7	Email,Instagram	10
8	Email,Push	4
9	Facebook	103
10	Facebook,House Ads	72
11	Facebook,House Ads,Instagram	24
12	Facebook,House Ads,Push	4
13	Facebook,Instagram	62
14	Facebook,Push	22
15	House Ads	280
16	House Ads,Instagram	103
17	House Ads,Instagram,Push	12
18	House Ads,Push	46
19	Instagram	57
20	Instagram,Push	21
21	Push	22

Table 11.8 – Coalitions for Shapley value attribution

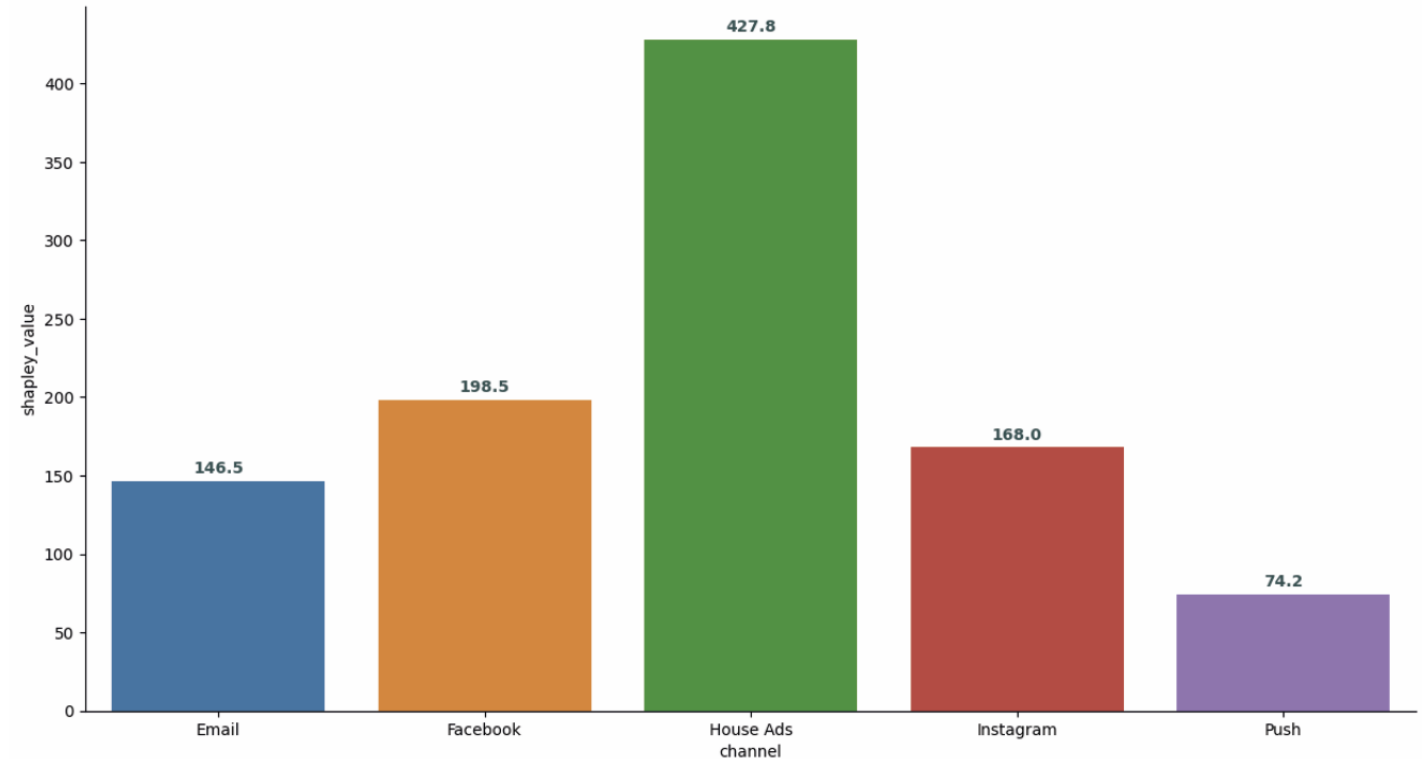
the Shapley Value of Email

Subset	Coalition	weight	Subset Contribution	Coalition's Contribution	Marginal Contribution	Shapley Value
Email	-	0.200	110	0	110	22.0
Email,Facebook	Facebook	0.050	224	103	121	6.1
Email,House Ads	House Ads	0.050	430	280	150	7.5
Email,Instagram	Instagram	0.050	177	57	120	6.0
Email,Push	Push	0.050	136	22	114	5.7
Email,Facebook,House Ads	Facebook,House Ads	0.033	624	455	169	5.6
Email,Facebook,Instagram	Facebook,Instagram	0.033	353	222	131	4.4
Email,Facebook,Push	Facebook,Push	0.033	272	147	125	4.2
Email,House Ads,Instagram	House Ads,Instagram	0.033	603	440	163	5.4
Email,House Ads,Push	House Ads,Push	0.033	503	348	155	5.2
Email,Instagram,Push	Instagram,Push	0.033	224	100	124	4.1
Email,Facebook,House Ads,Instagram	Facebook,House Ads,Instagram	0.050	883	701	182	9.1
Email,Facebook,House Ads,Push	Facebook,House Ads,Push	0.050	723	549	174	8.7
Email,Facebook,Instagram,Push	Facebook,Instagram,Push	0.050	422	287	135	6.8
Email,House Ads,Instagram,Push	House Ads,Instagram,Push	0.050	709	541	168	8.4
Email,Facebook,House Ads,Instagram,Push	Facebook,House Ads,Instagram,Push	0.200	1015	828	187	37.4
						146.5

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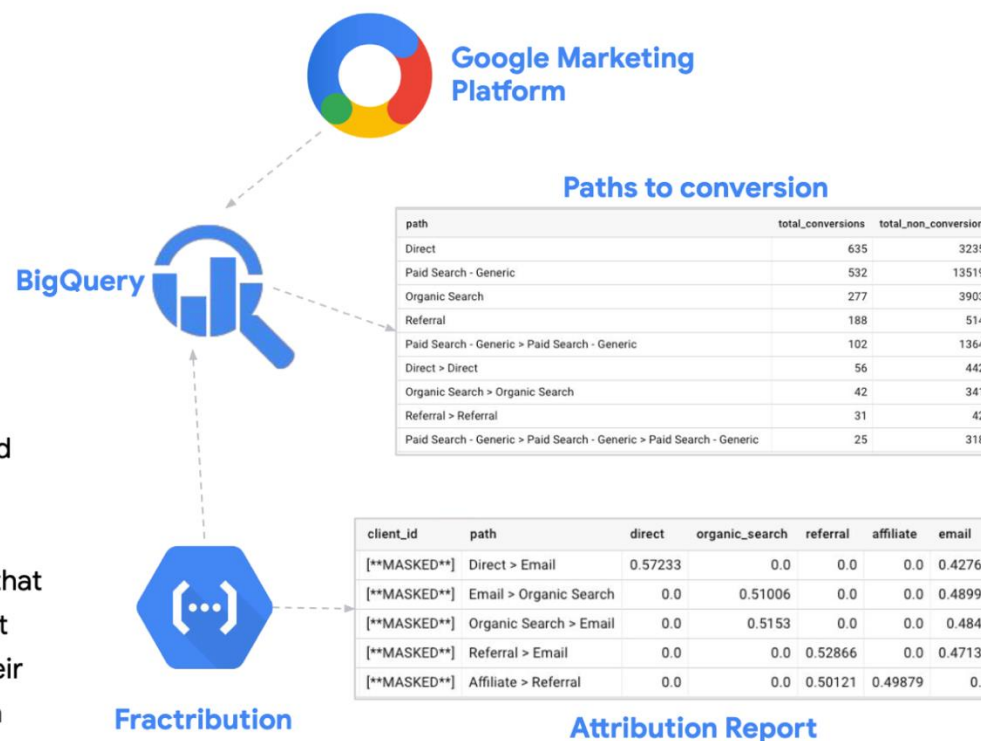
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Algorithmic Attribution Models - Fractribution

What is Fractribution?

- Fractribution drives an automated end-to-end **user-level fractional attribution** model.
- A **generalisable** process that can run on any **custom event log** (currently supporting GA360 sessions).
- The attribution algorithm uses a simplified **Shapley Value method**.
- It is an ideal solution for clients who find that the Data-Driven Attribution solutions built into GA360/DV360 are suboptimal for their specific use cases. E.g. regulation or data policy prevents ecommerce/revenue events being shared with GMP.



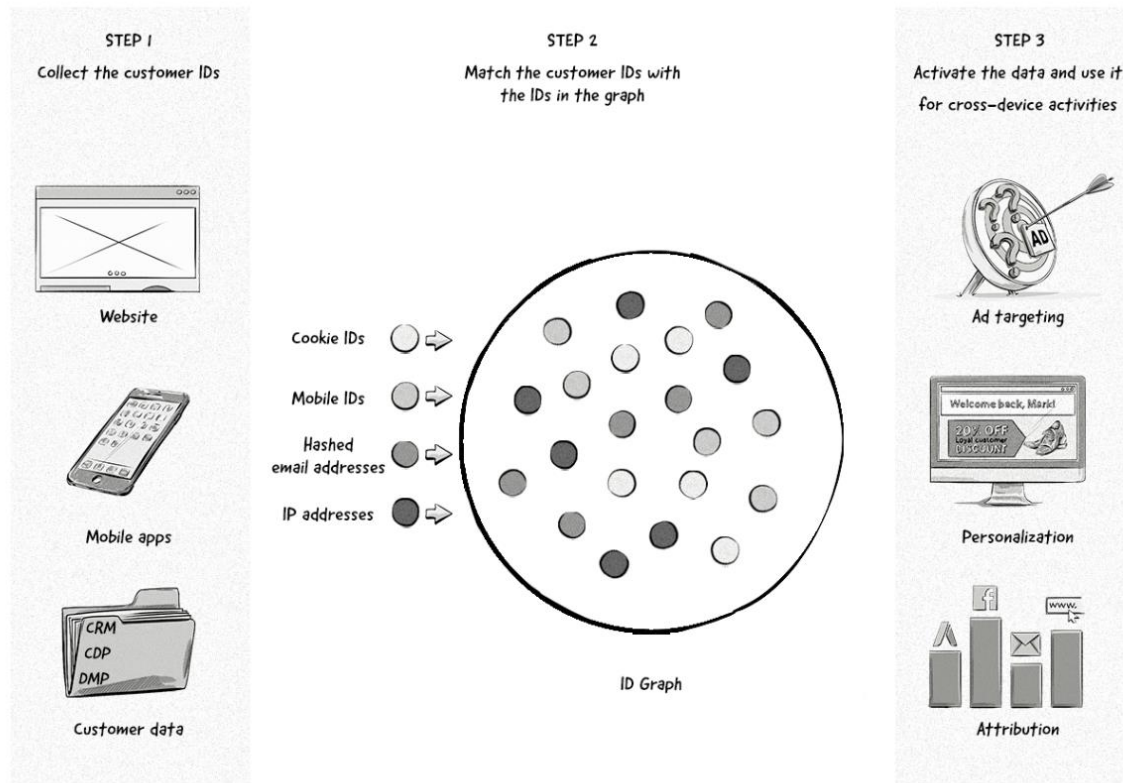
Dataset: Touch Points, Conversions, and User IDs

- Touch Point (e.g., click): publisher side data
- Conversion (e.g., install, register, purchase): advertiser side data
- User ID
 - : Cookie, 1st party ID, ...
 - : GAID, IDFA
 - : hashed e-mail, zip code, IP Address, Phone Number, ...
 - : Click ID
 - : Fingerprinting

Multi Touch Attribution Model

Dataset: Touch Points, Conversions, and User IDs

How ID Graphs Work



사용자 데이터	매개변수	형식	예
이메일	em	해시되지 않은 소문자 또는 해시된 SHA-256	jsmith@example.com 또는 6e3913852f512d76acff15d1e402c7502a5bbe6101745a7120a2a4833ebd2350
이름	fn	소문자	john
성	ln	소문자	smith
휴대폰	ph	국가 번호와 지역 번호를 포함한 숫자만	16505554444
외부 ID	external_id	광고주의 모든 고유한 ID입니다(예: 로열티 멤버십 ID, 사용자 ID, 외부 쿠키 ID).	a@example.com
성별	ge	소문자 1자, f 또는 m, 모르는 경우 빈칸으로 유지	f
생년월일	db	출생 연도, 월, 날짜를 포함한 숫자만	1991년 5월 26일의 경우 19910526.
시/군	ct	공백을 제거한 소문자	menlopark
주/도 또는 지역	st	소문자 2자리 주/도 또는 지역 코드	ca
우편번호	zp	문자열	94025
국가	country	소문자 2자리 국가 코드	us

Data Integrity

- Multi Devices * Multi Channels
- Tracking & Data Privacy
 - : ATT opt-in rates: ~14% ([source: singular](#), 24.2Q)
 - : Ad-blocking adoption: ~32% ([source: Statista](#))

Click through? Gen Z don't click

TOP TRENDS 2025

5 Gen Z don't click



5. Gen Z don't click

This means focusing on clicks misses them

Why?

↑ **2.4x** more likely to purchase without click after viewing an ad (18-24 vs. all ads).¹

What?

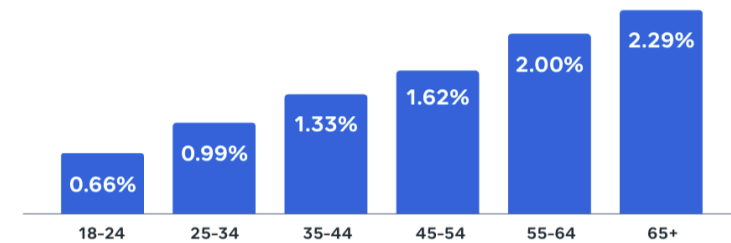
Using click-based attribution means actively optimizing away from 18-24s.

So what?

1. Shift to incrementality measurement for 18-24s
2. Add view-based attribution window

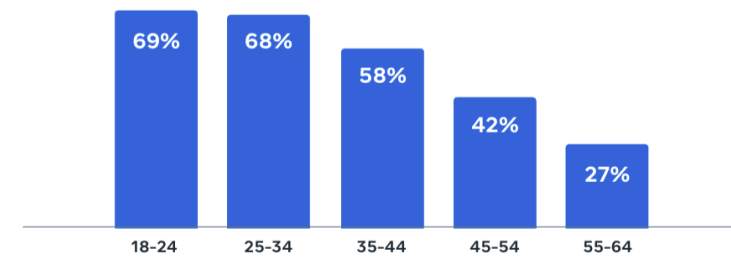
18-24s click the least on Meta technologies²

Retail CTR by age group



18-24s discover the most on Meta technologies³

% Discover new products using Meta technologies

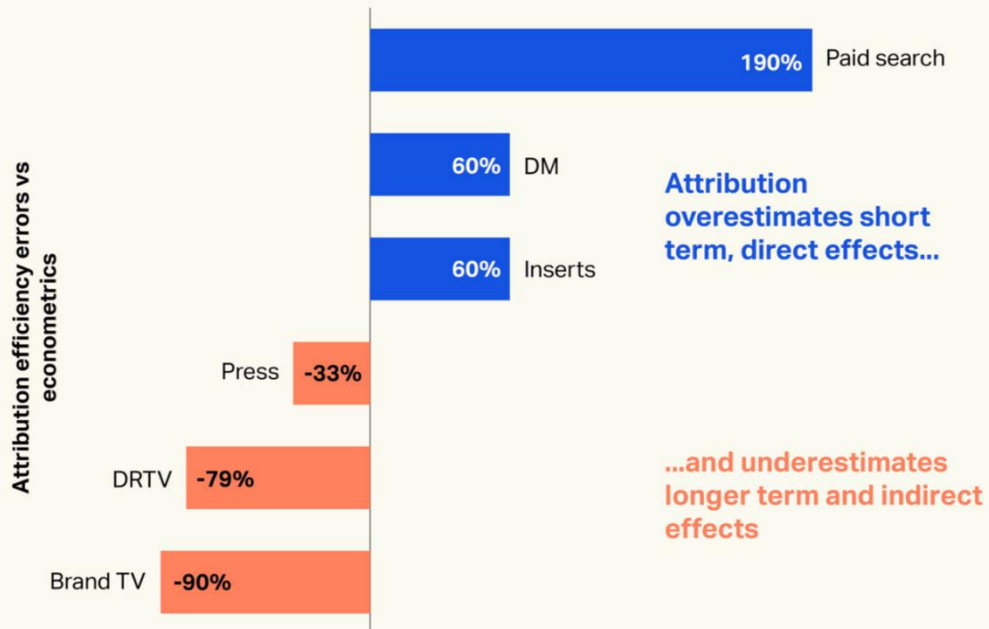


Challenge & Problem

TOFU < BOFU, Long Term < Short Term: Doom Loop

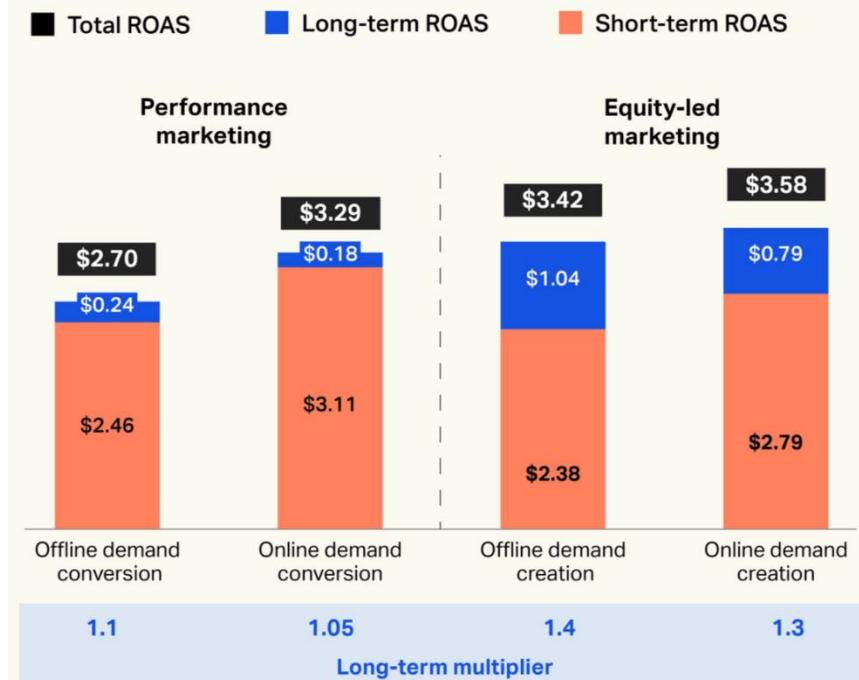
How bad is the attribution problem?

Last-click attribution can overestimate the impact of channels like paid search by as much as 190%



Source: Analytic Partners

ROAS over time: brand vs. performance



Source: BERA.ai

Challenge & Problem

Where do paid search sales come from?

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7 Dissecting search

7. Dissecting search

Understanding where your paid search results really come from

Why?

84% Of paid search conversions are driven by other factors (not paid search).¹

What?

Lift studies can help you dissect search to understand the impact your Meta investment on search performance.

Opportunity

1. Search Lift - quantify % search traffic driven by Meta technologies
2. Channel Lift - quantify % search conversions driven by Meta technologies



Meta driving search results

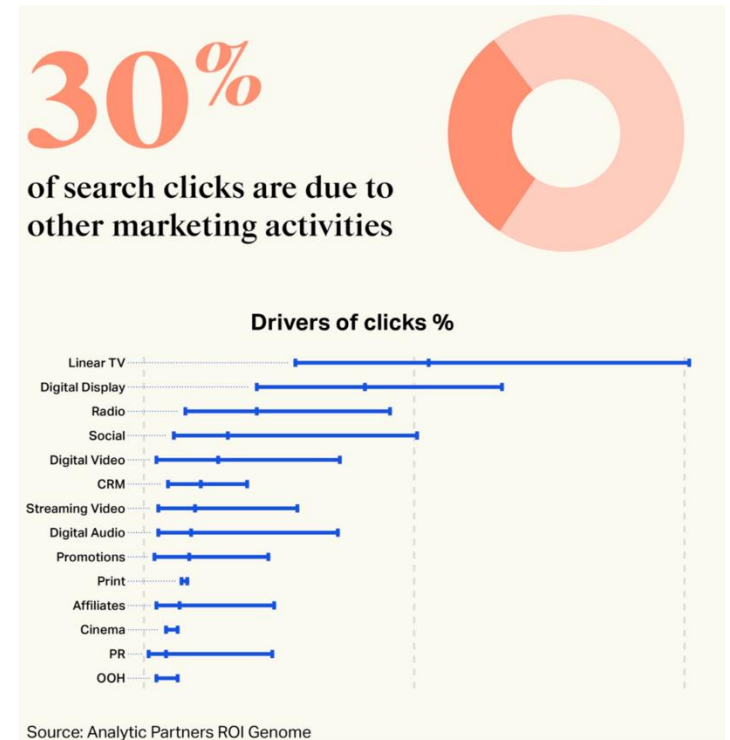
Search lift EMEA meta-analysis

38.5pt **25.9pt** **18.1pt**

Incremental performance max campaign traffic.²

Incremental Shopping campaign traffic.³

Incremental paid search traffic.⁴



Source: 1. Analytic Partners 2.: 10 Conversion Lift studies between Jan. 2024 and Dec. 2024 in EMEA for clients with BR objectives representing more than 50% of spend. 90% Credible interval: [20.46%, 58.4%], 100% likelihood of positive lift 3. Source Shopping Traffic: 12 Conversion Lift studies between Jan. 2024 and Dec. 2024 in EMEA for clients with DR objectives representing more than 50% of spend. 90% Credible interval: [14.11%, 38.54%], 100% likelihood of positive lift 4.343 Conversion Lift studies between Jan. 2024 and Dec. 2024 in EMEA for clients with DR objectives representing more than 50% of spend. 90% Credible interval: [13.73%, 22.99%], 100% likelihood of positive lift.

Directional decisions that drive growth

How next-gen measurement and attribution come together



Attribution

Know in the **short-term** how to optimize your campaigns down to the most granular level - creative, country, ad etc. across platforms from mobile to CTV.



Incrementality

Test new channels, campaigns and markets in the **mid-term** with always-on incrementality. Know the channels that are cannibalizing organic vs campaigns driving paid lift.



MMM

Media Mix Modeling is a perfect pairing for **long-term** strategic planning. Forecast the best allocation of your budgets across all marketing efforts, not just those that can be attributed.

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