

IST 687 INTRODUCTION TO DATA SCIENCE

DATA ANALYSIS FOR AMAZON





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Description (Background)

If we were to compare the retail landscape of today to one of the past, we would be amazed. Over the last decade, the retail industry has experienced a massive overhaul. Amazon, a multinational technology company and a behemoth of online retail, has completely transformed the way we shop. From its humble beginnings as an online bookstore, to an auction site, to becoming a global powerhouse, Amazon's growth and influence are undeniable. Founded in July 1994, Amazon is guided by four principles: customer obsession rather than competitor focus, passion for invention, commitment to operational excellence, and long-term thinking (Amazon, 2023).

Project Scope and Objective

For this project we'll explore Amazon sales data from 2020. We'll take a deep look at the numbers and trends to gain insights into the performance of Amazon's sales. By examining factors like product categories that drives sales, customer purchasing behavior and inventory pricing by categories. We believe that by analyzing this data, we can gain valuable insights into Amazon's success and understand how it has become a dominant force in the ecommerce industry. The objective is to be able to provide Amazon executives with a synopsis of the areas needing improvement in terms of customer satisfaction and what categories, if any, are leading to less satisfied customers. So, buckle up and get ready to dive into the world of Amazon.

Project Deliverables

To present our findings in a comprehensive manner, we have defined a set of deliverables. These deliverables will include, Data Munging, a detailed analysis report, amazing visualizations, and actionable recommendations. We believe, they will provide a holistic understanding of the sales data and offer practical strategies to enhance performance on the Amazon website. Let's get started by reviewing what to look forward to with each deliverable. Through:

- <u>Data Cleaning</u>: We plan to prepare the data for further analysis by removing NAs, missing information, unique characters and formatting invalid fields.
- Comprehensive Analysis Report: This report will provide a detailed overview of the analysis
 conducted on the Amazon Sales data. It will include key findings, insights and trends
 discovered during the analysis process.

- <u>Visualizations:</u> TO showcase engaging visual representations, such as charts, graphs, word clouds, models and tables created to present the sales data. These visualizations will help stakeholders easily interpret and understand the patterns and trends in the data.
- <u>Recommendations & Interpretations:</u> We will suggest actionable recommendations based on the interpretation of the analysis. These recommendations will focus on improving sales performance, optimizing pricing, and enhancing overall success on the Amazon platform.

Data Acquisition

To gather our dataset of at least 10 variables and 1000 observations, we searched multiple sites including FiveThirtyEight, Kaggle, GitHub and Datahub.io. In the end, we decided that we wanted to get our data from Kaggle as they had a wide range of data available, and there was also reviews as to whether a dataset was helpful and effective to analyze. The next requirement for our data was whatever dataset we chose we wanted to take a consulting agency point-of-view. Where should that company be focusing? What are the complaints? What do they do well? Which category/department/team make them the most money? Which ones are they losing more than their making? Which category correlates with another? What should be marketed together etc. These requirements narrowed down our dataset to a few different files: the NFL yearly data by player, Walmart Sales Data, Cost Data for US Airlines, Trends and Insights of Global Tourism, Amazon Sales Data, European Soccer and Airbnb Prices in European Cities.

The issue with majority of the data we reviewed is that they did not meet our first requirement of 10 variables and 1000 observations. For example, the cost data for US airlines dataset, Walmart dataset and the trends and Insights of Global Tourism had around 4, 8 and 7 variables respectively, which means we had to throw those out of our pool of choices. Next up was the review of all our sports datasets: NFL yearly data and European Soccer, while they did meet the basic requirements, they were not really business oriented our review would be more focused on player improvement than company improvement, so those got thrown out as well. Finally, was the review of all the sales type data, Amazon Sales Data and Airbnb Prices in European Cities. The Airbnb Prices dataset was not chosen because it required combining 20 different files and had multiple variables with true or false values instead of numerical ones. In the end, we decided that

the amazon dataset was the only one that met our requirements; it was from Kaggle, had at least 10 variables with 1000 observations, was business focused and not overtaken by true/false fields.

Link to Amazon Dataset:

https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/karkavelrajaj/amazon-sales-dataset?resource=download

Preview of Dataset:

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Data Preprocessing (Munging/Cleaning)

Before any data munging, the Amazon dataset consisted of 16 variables and 1465 observations. The 16 variables were Product ID, Product Name, Category, Discounted Price, Actual Price, Discount Percentage, Rating, Rating Count, About Product, UserID, Username, ReviewID, Review Title, Review Content, Image Link and Product Link. After we library in the necessary packages and read in the csv file, we did a large-scale view of our dataset.

During the first quick glance at the dataset, we realized that all the currency information was in Indian Rupees. As we did not know how to fix currency issues, we decided to move on to cleaning the rest of the dataset first. We used the sum function to find any NA's or missing information in our datasets, which R advised there was at least 3. Further investigation into the variables determined that the NA's were in the rating and rating count fields since there were very

few NA values. We decided to just remove the 3 observations, as those 3 observations in theory should not affect a dataset of over 1400.

After researching currencies in R and monetary symbols, the decision was made to clean up the currency information by removing the rupee symbol and converting the currency amount to USD. This process did not work being combined into one, so we decided to do each part in steps. We removed the currency symbol first, then removed any commas from the prices, converted the prices and rating field to numeric then created a function that converted Indian Rupee to United States Dollars. To ensure this function would work, we created a test formula to try it before using it in our dataset. With the test being successful, we were able to create two new variables with prices in USD: the actual price and discounted price. We were then left with 18 variables and 1462 observations.

After completing the preliminary cleaning of this dataset, we were very intrigued by the category column. There were so many different combinations of products and items for sales. Each row had a category, with multiple subcategories on top of subcategories, all separated by the "I" symbol. For example, one cell would be "Computer & Accessories! Accessories & Peripherals! Cables & Accessories! Cables! USB Cables". The first thing we did was create subsets of the data by the main categories; "Car & Motorbikes", "Computer & Accessories", "Electronics", "Health & Personal Care", "Home & Kitchen", "Home Improvement"," Musical Instruments", "Office Products" and "Toys & Games". Then we separated the subset datasets category column into multiple different columns based on the subcategories. We were left 0 observations in Cars & Motorbikes, 451 observations in Computer & Accessories, 526 observations in Electronics, 1 observation in Health & Personal Care, 447 observations in Home & Kitchen, 2 observations in Home Improvement, 2 observations in Musical Instruments, 31 observations in Office Products, 1 observations in the Toys & Games subset.

Data Summary before Munging:

> summary(AmazonData)

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Mode :character

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				Mean : 37.56	Mean : 65.44
				3rd Qu.: 23.99	3rd Qu.: 51.85
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R Code:

```
setwd("/Users/victormillar/downloads")
AmazonData <- read_csv("amazon.csv")
sum(is.na(AmazonData))
glimpse(AmazonData)</pre>
```

```
na counts <- colSums(is.na(AmazonData))
na_counts
AmazonData <- na.omit(AmazonData)
na counts <- colSums(is.na(AmazonData))
na counts
#3 rows removed, no more NAs
# Need to remove Indian Rupee currency symbol before converting to
# Numeric
AmazonData$discounted price <- substring(AmazonData$discounted price, 2)
AmazonData$actual price <- substring(AmazonData$actual price, 2)
# symbols are removed, will try numeric again now
# now need to remove the commas from the prices
AmazonData$actual_price <- as.numeric(gsub("[^0-9.]", "", AmazonData$actual_price))
AmazonData$discounted_price <- as.numeric(gsub("[^0-9.]", "", AmazonData$discounted_price))
# prices are now numeric and have no comma
AmazonData$rating <- as.numeric(AmazonData$rating)
# Rating is now also numeric
AmazonData2 <- AmazonData
# Creating a Save Point so I don't mess up previous work
# I am going to write a function that converts Indian Rupee to USD
convert usd <- function(rupee price) {</pre>
exchange rate <- 0.012 # Replace this if exchange rate changes
usd_price <- rupee_price * exchange_rate</pre>
return(usd price)
# Will now test the function to confirm it works
test data1 <- data.frame(rupee test = c(100, 200, 300, 400))
test_data1$USD_price <- convert_usd(test_data1$rupee_test)
test data1 # The test was successful
AmazonData2 <- AmazonData2 %>%
mutate(discounted price usd = round(convert_usd(discounted price),
2), actual price usd = round(convert_usd(actual price), 2))
# view(AmazonData2) Now have two new columns with prices in USD
AmazonData3 <- AmazonData2
# Creating another Save Point
# I want to separate out the Category column into 7 separate columns,
# one for each tier of the category.
categories <- strsplit(AmazonData3$category, "\\\")</pre>
AmazonData3$Cat1 <- sapply(categories, `[`, 1)
AmazonData3$Cat2 <- sapply(categories, `[`, 2)
AmazonData3$Cat3 <- sapply(categories, `[`, 3)
AmazonData3$Cat4 <- sapply(categories, `[`, 4)
AmazonData3$Cat5 <- sapply(categories, `[`, 5)
AmazonData3$Cat6 <- sapply(categories, `[`, 6)
AmazonData3$Cat7 <- sapply(categories, `[`, 7)
AmazonData3 <- subset(AmazonData3, select = -category) #delete original column
view(AmazonData3)
AmazonData4 <- AmazonData3 # New Save Point
```

Now that the data is cleaned up, I can start working through the # business questions.

Descriptive & Inferential Statistics

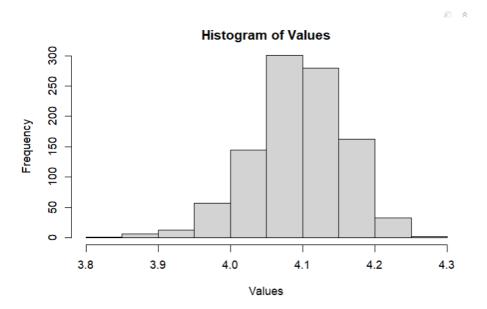
It was now time to start analyzing our data beginning with descriptive statistics. Descriptive statistics provides us with a snapshot of the main characteristics of the dataset. By calculating measures like the mean, median and standard deviation of any given dataset, we can gain insights into the central tendency, spread and distribution of the data. These statistics will help us understand the overall performance and patterns within the Amazon sales data. Let's begin to explore the various types of descriptive statistics performed in this project, starting with:

Discount & Actual Price

Now that we have dived into the numbers, lets dig in a little deeper. With a deeper dive, we can uncover insights that go beyond just the numbers and make meaningful inferences about the larger population. From understanding customer behavior and preferences to predicting future trends, inferential statistics can help us make data-driven decisions and take our Amazon sales strategy to the next level. Below we will review a sampling we did on the Amazon data. As you can see in the histogram, while the frequency shape looks like a bell curve (normal distribution), this data shows some skewness. So, having more information, would help us to smooth out the discrepancies.

Sampling & Replication

```
Values<-replicate(1000, mean(sample(AmazonData3$rating, 22, TRUE)))
hist(Values)</pre>
```



Modeling Techniques

While investigating this unique dataset, we decided to complete a few different models to help gather an accurate representation of this dataset. The first modeling we introduced to this dataset was linear regression, both simple and multiple. In the simple linear regression, we were able to summarize and study the relationship between variables in our data set like Price, Category, Rating etc. Below is our investigating into the models:

Simple Linear Regression

To see if it was possible to obtain a line that best fits the data and if any of these variables had a relationship. Upon looking at these variables, we went through the 3 steps to determine significance; checked the P-Value of the F-Statistic, then the R^2 value, and finally the P-Value of the Coefficient.

In out Simple Linear Model between Price & Category, right away we were able to interpret the equation as the P-value of the F-Statistic was statistically significant. However, when it came to the P-value of the coefficient, none of our variables were statistically significant and we could not interpret. When it came to the linear Model between Price & Rating, we were able to find a line of best fit. The Linear Model below also shows that the P-Value was significant. With further analysis, we were able to determine that there is a positive relationship between price and rating. This makes sense in the business term because higher priced items are in higher demand leading to

an increase in price. Where the opposite could also be true, lower reviews, lead to no demand for an item, leading to the seller to drop their prices.

Price & Category

```
ggplot(AmazonData4,aes(x=Cat1,y=actual_price_usd))+geom_point()+stat_smooth(method="lm", col="red")
Ama_Cat= lm(actual_price_usd~Cat1,AmazonData4)
summary(Ama_Cat)
```

Call:

lm(formula = actual_price_usd ~ Cat1, data = AmazonData4)

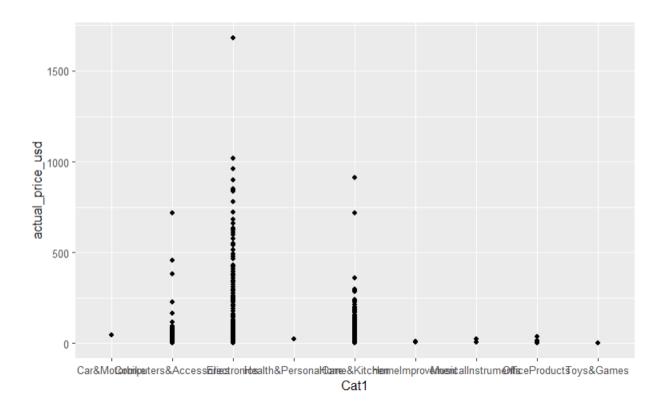
Residuals:

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -119.48 -44.00 -14.25 1.79 1557.27

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	48.00	123.36	0.389	0.697
Cat1Computers&Accessories	-27.76	123.49	-0.225	0.822
Cat1Electronics	73.53	123.47	0.596	0.552
Cat1Health&PersonalCare	-25.20	174.45	-0.144	0.885
Cat1Home&Kitchen	1.99	123.50	0.016	0.987
Cat1HomeImprovement	-38.41	151.08	-0.254	0.799
Cat1MusicalInstruments	-31.84	151.08	-0.211	0.833
Cat1OfficeProducts	-43.23	125.33	-0.345	0.730
Cat1Toys&Games	-46.20	174.45	-0.265	0.791

Residual standard error: 123.4 on 1453 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.1129, Adjusted R-squared: 0.108 F-statistic: 23.12 on 8 and 1453 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16



Price & Rating

ggplot(AmazonData4,aes(x=rating,y=actual_price_usd))+geom_point()+stat_smooth(method="lm", col="red")
Ama_Rat= lm(actual_price_usd~rating,AmazonData4)|
summary(Ama_Rat)

```
Call:
```

lm(formula = actual_price_usd ~ rating, data = AmazonData4)

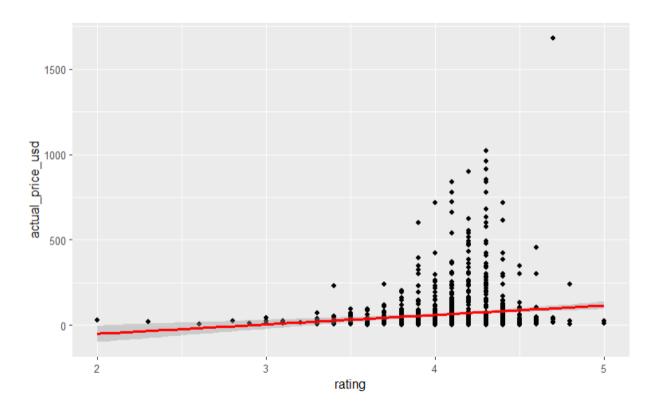
Residuals:

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -103.35 -58.43 -42.58 -1.65 1580.03

Coefficients:

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 129.7 on 1460 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.015, Adjusted R-squared: 0.01432 F-statistic: 22.23 on 1 and 1460 DF, p-value: 2.649e-06



Multiple Linear Regression

The other modeling technique used in our analysis is a multiple linear regression model. We wanted to see the result of three different categories on our prices. The three variables we decided to investigate was discounted usd price, rating, and rating counts. Per the below chart, we can see that while the equation is significant. Rating and Rating Count in relation to actual price cannot be interpreted. Finally, the relationship between actual price and discount price is very minimal. So, there are not many assumptions or insights that can be made from the multiple linear regression.

```
Call:
lm(formula = actual_price_usd ~ discounted_price_usd + rating +
    rating_count, data = AmazonData4)
Residuals:
            10 Median
   Min
                            3Q
                                   Max
         -9.59
                 -5.09
-288.67
                          1.39 448.44
Coefficients:
                      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                    -3.757e+00 1.334e+01 -0.282
                                                    0.778
discounted_price_usd 1.505e+00 1.129e-02 133.235
                                                   <2e-16 ***
rating
                     3.242e+00 3.269e+00 0.992
                                                    0.321
rating_count
                    -3.274e-05 2.198e-05 -1.490
                                                    0.137
Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '. ' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 35.71 on 1458 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.9254, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9253
F-statistic: 6031 on 3 and 1458 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

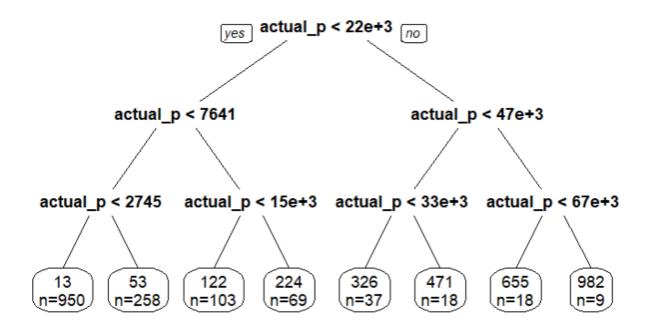
Support Vector Machine

Next, lets explore how Support Vector Machines(SVM) can be a powerful tool for analyzing Amazon sales data. SVM is a machine learning algorithm that can help us classify and predict various aspects of sales performance. By training the SVM model on historical sales data, we can uncover patterns and trends that can assist in predicting future sales, identify key factors that influence sales and even separating customers based on their purchasing behaviors. With SVM, we can harness the power of machine learning to gain valuable insights and optimize our sales strategy.

Below we used SVM modeling techniques, to predict the actual usd price of many products by using a few significant variables from our models. Per the code, you will see that we divided our dataset into training and testing so that we could check and validate our results. We needed to keep in mind that seeing as we had NULL values and some categories had more observation than others, we needed to be mindful with these predictions. While our findings could be an accurate representation of the population, there was also an increasing likelihood that we should not be overtly confident. With all this in mind, these were our findings:

```
library(tidyverse)
library(caret)
library(rpart)
library(rpart.plot)
library(kernlab)
AmazonData5<-data.frame(discounted_price=AmazonData3$discounted_price,
                         actual_price=AmazonData3$actual_price,
                         rating=AmazonData3$rating,
                         rating_count=AmazonData3$rating_count,
                         discount_price_usd=AmazonData3$discounted_price_usd,
                         actual_price_usd=AmazonData3$actual_price_usd)
cartTree<-rpart(actual_price_usd~.,data=AmazonData5)</pre>
prp(cartTree, extra=1)
t<-varImp(cartTree)
trainList<-createDataPartition(y=AmazonData5$actual_price_usd, p=.60, list = FALSE)</pre>
training<-AmazonData5[trainList,]
testing<-AmazonData5[-trainList,]
model.rpart<-train(rating~., data=training, method="rpart",
                   preProc=c("center","scale"))
model.rpart
t<-varImp(cartTree)
t%>%arrange(desc(Overall))%>%slice(1:5)
```

	Overall <dbl></dbl>
actual_price	4.8406624
discount_price_usd	3.7262290
discounted_price	3.7262290
rating_count	0.3816159
rating	0.1507718



```
RMSE was used to select the optimal model using the smallest value. The final value used for the model was cp = 0.02295032.
```

Business Questions

The business questions that have been recognized and answered through the projects are as follows:

1. Which top level category brought in the most revenue for Amazon?

R Code:

```
# Group the data by the Cat1 column and calculate the total revenue
# for each category
category_revenue <- AmazonData4 %>%
    mutate(total_revenue = discounted_price_usd * rating_count) %>%
    group_by(Cat1) %>%
    summarize(total_revenue = sum(total_revenue, na.rm = TRUE))
# Sort results to find top category
top_category <- category_revenue %>%
    arrange(desc(total_revenue)) %>%
    head(1)

top_category
```

2. What is the average rating by broad category (Tier 1, ex. Electronics)?

R Code:

```
average_rating_by_cat <- AmazonData4 %>%
    group_by(Cat1) %>%
    summarize(average_rating = mean(rating)) %>%
    arrange(desc(average_rating))
average_rating_by_cat
```

Answer:

```
## # A tibble: 9 x 2
## Cat1 average_rating
## <chr> <dbl>
                       <dbl>
## 1 OfficeProducts
                              4.31
## 2 Toys&Games
                              4.3
## 3 HomeImprovement
                              4.25
## 4 Computers&Accessories
                              4.16
## 5 Electronics
                              4.08
## 6 Home&Kitchen
                               4.04
## 7 Health&PersonalCare
## 8 MusicalInstruments
                              3.9
## 9 Car&Motorbike
# Office Products has the highest average rating with 4.31/5 stars.
# Car & Motorbike has the worst average rating with 3.8
```

a) What is the average rating by price?

R Code:

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```
price_bins <- c(0, 25, 50, 100, Inf) # Creating price bins

AmazonData4 <- AmazonData4 %>%
    mutate(price_group = cut(discounted_price_usd, breaks = price_bins, labels = c("0-25","25-50","50-100","100+")))

# New column 'price_group' now exists

average_rating_by_price <- AmazonData4 %>%
    group_by(price_group) %>%
    summarize(average_rating = mean(rating)) %>%
    summarize(average_rating))

average_rating_by_price
    view(AmazonData4)

# Rating seems to go up as the price goes up
    cor(AmazonData4[,c("discounted_price_usd","rating")], use = "complete")

# there is a positive, but weak, correlation between discount_price_usd and rating
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
## price_group average_rating
## <fct>
## 1 100+
                         4.18
## 2 50-100
                         4.16
## 3 0-25
                         4.08
## 4 25-50
                          4.08
view(AmazonData4)
# Rating seems to go up as the price goes up
cor(AmazonData4[, c("discounted_price_usd", "rating")], use = "complete")
                       discounted_price_usd
                                             rating
## discounted_price_usd
                                  1.0000000 0.1211309
## rating
                                  0.1211309 1.0000000
```

Answer:

```
# there is a positive, but weak, correlation between
# discount_price_usd and rating
```

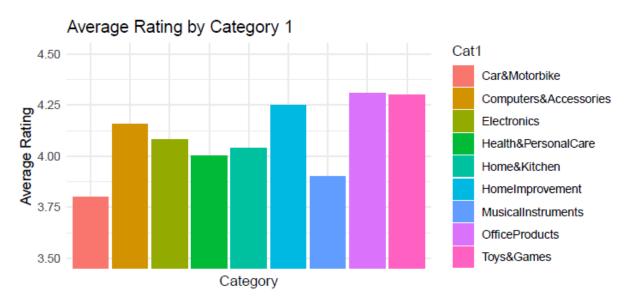
b) Can both be visualized in the same graph?

R Code:

```
# Create a bar chart for Average Rating by Price Group
ggplot(average_rating_by_price, aes(x = price_group, y = average_rating)) +
    geom_bar(stat = "identity", fill = "blue") + labs(title = "Average Rating by Price Group",
    x = "Price Group", y = "Average Rating") + theme_minimal() + coord_cartesian(ylim = c(4,
    5))

# Create a bar chart for Average Rating by Category 1
ggplot(average_rating_by_cat, aes(x = Cat1, y = average_rating, fill = Cat1)) +
    geom_bar(stat = "identity") + labs(title = "Average Rating by Category 1",
    x = "Category", y = "Average Rating") + theme_minimal() + coord_cartesian(ylim = c(3.5,
    4.5)) + theme(axis.text.x = element_blank(), axis.ticks.x = element_blank())
```





3. What are the top 5 selling products (based on number of ratings)?

R Code:

```
top_rated_products <- AmazonData4 %>%
    arrange(desc(rating_count)) %>%
    head(5) %>%
    select(product_name, rating_count)

top_rated_products
```

Answer:

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
## product_name
                                                                       rating_count
## <chr>
                                                                              <dbl>
## 1 AmazonBasics Flexible Premium HDMI Cable (Black, 4K@60Hz, 18Gbps~
                                                                             426973
## 2 Amazon Basics High-Speed HDMI Cable, 6 Feet - Supports Ethernet,~
                                                                             426973
## 3 Amazon Basics High-Speed HDMI Cable, 6 Feet (2-Pack), Black
                                                                             426973
## 4 AmazonBasics Flexible Premium HDMI Cable (Black, 4K@60Hz, 18Gbps~
                                                                             426972
## 5 boAt Bassheads 100 in Ear Wired Earphones with Mic(Taffy Pink)
                                                                             363713
# The 4 products with highest rating counts are all HDMI cables
# Number 5 is a set of wired headphones
```

a) What are the top 5 products based on revenue (rating count x discounted price)?
 How many products overlap of each set of 5?

R Code:

```
top_revenue_products <- AmazonData4 %>%
   mutate(revenue = rating_count * discounted_price_usd) %>%
   arrange(desc(revenue)) %>%

   head(5) %>%
   select(product_name, revenue)

top_revenue_products
```

b) What is the top selling product in each category?

R Code:

```
categories <- AmazonData4 %>%
    select("Cat1") %>%
    distinct()

conflicts_prefer(dplyr::filter)

top_revenue_products_by_cat <- AmazonData4 %>%
    filter(Cat1 %in% categories$Cat1) %>%
    mutate(revenue = rating_count * discounted_price_usd) %>%
    group_by(Cat1) %>%
    arrange(desc(revenue)) %>%
    top_n(1, wt = revenue) %>%
    ungroup() %>%
    select(product_name, revenue, Cat1)

view(top_revenue_products_by_cat)
# These are the top selling products in each category
```

*	product_name	revenue [‡]	Cat1
1	Redmi 9 Activ (Carbon Black, 4GB RAM, 64GB Storage) Oct	32008133.64	Electronics
2	SanDisk 1TB Extreme Portable SSD 1050MB/s R, 1000MB/s	5161088.66	Computers&Accessories
3	Aquaguard Aura RO+UV+UF+Taste Adjuster(MTDS) with Ac	2151439.94	Home&Kitchen
4	Boya ByM1 Auxiliary Omnidirectional Lavalier Condenser Mi	657801.12	MusicalInstruments
5	Casio FX-991ES Plus-2nd Edition Scientific Calculator, Black	89510.40	OfficeProducts
6	Dr Trust Electronic Kitchen Digital Scale Weighing Machine (39523.77	Health&PersonalCare
7	Reffair AX30 [MAX] Portable Air Purifier for Car, Home & Off	31382.26	Car&Motorbike
8	Faber-Castell Connector Pen Set - Pack of 25 (Assorted)	28560.60	Toys&Games
9	Gizga Essentials Cable Organiser, Cord Management System	17895.15	HomeImprovement

4. What is the average price discount by Tier 1 category?

R Code:

```
# Remove the % symbol and convert 'discount_percentage' to numeric
AmazonData4$discount_percentage <- as.numeric(sub("%", "", AmazonData4$discount_percentage))
# Calculate the average price discount by category
average_discount_by_category <- AmazonData4 %>%

group_by(Cat1) %>%
    summarize(average_discount_percentage = mean(discount_percentage, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
    arrange(desc(average_discount_percentage))
```

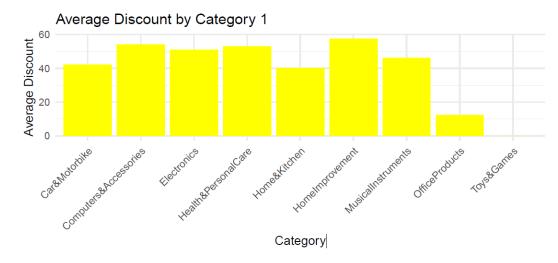
Answer:

average_discount_by_category

```
## # A tibble: 9 x 2
##
    Cat1
                            average_discount_percentage
##
     <chr>>
                                                   <dbl>
                                                    57.5
## 1 HomeImprovement
## 2 Computers&Accessories
                                                    53.9
## 3 Health&PersonalCare
                                                    53
## 4 Electronics
                                                    50.8
                                                    46
## 5 MusicalInstruments
## 6 Car&Motorbike
                                                    42
                                                    40.2
## 7 Home&Kitchen
## 8 OfficeProducts
                                                    12.4
## 9 Toys&Games
                                                     0
```

Home Improvement has the highest discount percentage with 57.5%

```
# Q 4.2 Create a bar chart for Average Discount % by Category 1
ggplot(average_discount_by_category, aes(x = Cat1, y = average_discount_percentage)) +
    geom_bar(stat = "identity", fill = "yellow") + labs(title = "Average Discount by Category 1",
    x = "Category", y = "Average Discount") + theme_minimal() + theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle :
    hjust = 1))
```



5. Key Word Analysis: What words appear the most frequently in the About, Review Title and User Reviews section? Visualize this sentiment analysis.

R Code:

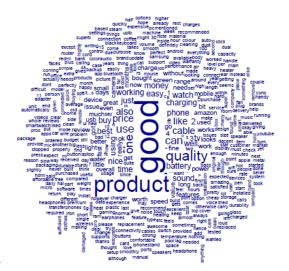
```
AmazonData4$doc_id <- 1:nrow(AmazonData4) #Adding unique id for every row
review_title_corpus <- corpus(AmazonData4$review_title, docnames = AmazonData4$doc_id)
review_title_dfm <- dfm(review_title_corpus, remove_punct = TRUE, remove = stopwords("english"),
    )
textplot_wordcloud(review_title_dfm, min_count = 2)

review_content_corpus <- corpus(AmazonData4$review_content, docnames = AmazonData4$doc_id)
review_content_dfm <- dfm(review_content_corpus, remove_punct = TRUE, remove = stopwords("english"),
    )
textplot_wordcloud(review_content_dfm, min_count = 3)</pre>
```



Q 5.1: Review Title Wordcloud

```
# Wordcloud based on Review Title, words used at least twice Top # words: good product, nice, quality, money, price
```



Q 5.2: Review Content Wordcloud

```
# Wordcloud based on Review Content, words used at least 3 times
# Larger word cloud, but similar top words: good, product, quality,
# price, easy, phone, batter
```

6. Are we able to accurately predict the user rating based on key words and price discount percentage?

R Code:

```
wordCloudFromDataFrame <- function(df_, max_words = 50) {
    df1_ <- df_[df_$review_content != "", ]</pre>
```

```
review_content <- as.vector(df1_$review_content)</pre>
    review_content <- iconv(review_content, from = "UTF-8", to = "UTF-8",
        sub = "")
    words.vec <- VectorSource(review content)</pre>
    words.corpus <- Corpus(words.vec)</pre>
    words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removePunctuation)</pre>
    words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removeNumbers)</pre>
    words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, content_transformer(tolower))</pre>
    conflicts_prefer(tm::stopwords)
    words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removeWords, stopwords("english"))</pre>
    tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(words.corpus)</pre>
    tdm
    m <- as.matrix(tdm)</pre>
    wordCounts <- rowSums(m)</pre>
    totalWords <- sum(wordCounts)</pre>
    totalWords
    words <- names(wordCounts)</pre>
    head(words)
    wordCounts <- sort(wordCounts, decreasing = TRUE)</pre>
    length(wordCounts)
    wordCounts <- head(wordCounts, max words)</pre>
    length(wordCounts)
    head(wordCounts)
    cloudFrame <- data.frame(word = names(wordCounts), freq = wordCounts)</pre>
    suppressWarnings(wordcloud(cloudFrame$word, cloudFrame$freq))
wordCloudFromDataFrame(azm, 200)
```

```
wordCountsVector <- function(df_, max_words = 50) {</pre>
    df1_ <- df_[df_$review_content != "", ]
    review_content <- as.vector(df1_$review_content)</pre>
    review_content <- iconv(review_content, from = "UTF-8", to = "UTF-8",
        sub = "")
    words.vec <- VectorSource(review_content)</pre>
    words.corpus <- Corpus(words.vec)</pre>
    words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removePunctuation)</pre>
    words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removeNumbers)</pre>
    words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, content_transformer(tolower))</pre>
    conflicts_prefer(tm::stopwords)
    words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removeWords, stopwords("english"))</pre>
    tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(words.corpus)</pre>
    tdm
    m <- as.matrix(tdm)</pre>
    wordCounts <- rowSums(m)</pre>
    totalWords <- sum(wordCounts)</pre>
    totalWords
    words <- names(wordCounts)</pre>
    head(words)
    wordCounts <- sort(wordCounts, decreasing = TRUE)</pre>
    length(wordCounts)
    wordCounts <- head(wordCounts, max_words)</pre>
    return(wordCounts)
    # cloudFrame<-data.frame(word=names(wordCounts),freq=wordCounts)</pre>
    # return(cloudFrame)
}
wcv <- wordCountsVector(azm)</pre>
```

boat devicesee better bass samsung picture recommend feature best video performance USE still really phone price base samsung picture recommend feature best still really performance use phone price base samsung picture recommend feature best still really performance use phone price base samsung picture recommend feature best still really performance use processes and processes are supplied to the processes better base samsung picture recommend feature best still really performance use processes are supplied to the processes better base samsung picture recommend feature best still really performance use processes are supplied to the processes are supplied to
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long to bound doesn't day mode & life top to a doesn't day mode & life big E b
buying overall many normal high so nowneed buying overall buying overall many normal high so nowneed buying overall buying so nowneed buying overall many normal high so nowneed buying overall buying

##	good	product	quality	use	can	one	cable	like
##	4485	2800	2080	1492	1426	1269	1233	1155
##	price	will	also	using	phone	charging	battery	easy
##	1147	1141	1138	951	948	871	772	759
##	time	just	well	working	buy	watch	sound	get
##	748	747	737	728	683	669	668	649
##	used	even	better	works	great	really	dont	best
##	637	635	593	591	567	565	560	559
##	now	fast	got	much	water	nice	camera	need
##	515	507	488	474	470	451	450	449
##	amazon	money	power	overall	fine	screen	work	bit
##	448	440	431	427	426	426	419	417
##	little	long						
##	412	407						

```
nrow(azm[azm$rating > 3, ])

## [1] 1455

azm_pos <- azm[azm$rating > 4, ]
nrow(azm_pos)

## [1] 930

azm_neg <- azm[azm$rating < 2.5, ]
nrow(azm_neg)

## [1] 3

# The data Amazon provides in this is strongly biased, with only 7
# reviews below 3, but 1455 reviews above 3</pre>
```

wordCloudFromDataFrame(azm_pos, 50)



wordCloudFromDataFrame(azm_neg, 20)

```
## [conflicted] Removing existing prefer
## [conflicted] Will prefer tm::stopword
```

liked cheap blend amazing capacity charge motor money collect defective doesn...t

7. Are good or bad user feelings about a product more likely to generate a high volume or ratings and reviews? Are users more motivated to write a good product review or a bad product review?

R Code & Answer:

```
azm1 <- azm %>%
    mutate(word_present = as.numeric(str_detect(review_content, fixed("good"))))
azm1 <- azm1 %>%
    filter(!is.na(rating), !is.na(word_present))

correlation <- cor(azm1$rating, azm1$word_present)
correlation</pre>
```

[1] 0.1193504

```
# check for correlation between word and rating
correlate <- function(word) {</pre>
   azm1 <- azm %>%
       mutate(word_present = as.numeric(str_detect(review_content, fixed(word))))
   azm1 <- azm1 %>%
      filter(!is.na(rating), !is.na(word_present))
   correlation <- cor(azm1$rating, azm1$word_present)</pre>
   return(correlation)
}
# find the word with the strongest correlation for rating
max(c(correlate("good"), correlate("product"), correlate("quality"), correlate("use"),
   correlate("can"), correlate("one"), correlate("cable"), correlate("like"),
   correlate("price"), correlate("will"), correlate("also"), correlate("using"),
   correlate("phone"), correlate("charging"), correlate("battery"), correlate("easy"),
   correlate("time"), correlate("just"), correlate("well"), correlate("working"),
   correlate("buy"), correlate("watch")))
## [1] 0.1292382
# the word 'good' has the strongest correlation with a value of 0.129
cor(AmazonData4$rating, AmazonData4$rating_count)
## [1] 0.1022348
# 0.1022348
# Yes, there is a weak positive correlation between rating and
# rating count of 0.1022348. The higher the product rating, the more
# likely the buyer is to rate that product, which means a higher
# rating count for that product.
```

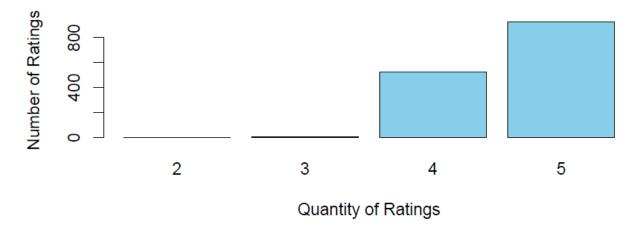
8. How are ratings distributed based on quantity of ratings? Bucket all ratings (0 - 1, 1 - 2, 2 - 3, etc) and visualize this distribution.

R Code:

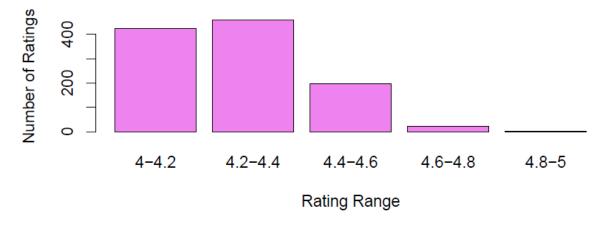
```
# Step 1: Create Rating Buckets
 AmazonData4$rating_bucket <- cut(AmazonData4$rating, breaks = seq(0, 5,
      by = 1), labels = FALSE)
 # Step 2: Count the Number of Ratings in Each Bucket
 rating_counts <- table(AmazonData4$rating_bucket)</pre>
# Step 3: Visualize the Distribution
barplot(rating_counts, main = "Rating Distribution by Quantity of Ratings",
    xlab = "Quantity of Ratings", ylab = "Number of Ratings", col = "skyblue")
# Step 4: Deeper dive into ratings 4 - 5
# Step 4.1: Create Rating Buckets with Sub-Buckets
breaks \leftarrow seq(4, 5, by = 0.2)
AmazonData4$rating_bucket <- cut(AmazonData4$rating, breaks = breaks, labels = FALSE,
   right = FALSE)
# Step 4.2: Count the Number of Ratings in Each Bucket
rating_counts <- table(AmazonData4$rating_bucket)</pre>
# Step 4.3: Visualize the Distribution
barplot(rating_counts, main = "Rating Distribution by Quantity of Ratings (with Sub-Buckets)",
   xlab = "Rating Range", ylab = "Number of Ratings", col = "violet",
   names.arg = paste(breaks[-length(breaks)], breaks[-1], sep = "-"))
```

Answer:

Rating Distribution by Quantity of Ratings



Rating Distribution by Quantity of Ratings (with Sub-Buckets)



Most ratings fall between 4.2 and 4.4.

9. Is there a way to estimate the actual number of sales based on the available data here?

RCode & Answer: We found that the best we could do with this data was to use the ratings count * discounted_price_usd formula which we've used in previous questions. While there are lightly positive correlations present in the data, there isn't enough to make a confident guess into the actual number of sales based on the data available in this dataset.

```
cor(AmazonData4$discount_percentage, AmazonData4$rating_count)
## [1] 0.01129439
# 0.01129439
cor(AmazonData4$discount percentage, AmazonData4$rating)
## [1] -0.155679
#-0.155679
# We expected that the greater the discount percentage, the higher
# the rating would be and the higher the rating count would be, ie we
# expected a positive and stronger correlation between discount
# percentage and rating, as well as discount percentage and rating
# count. Contrary to what we expected, the resulting correlation was
# actually very weak and negative
cor(AmazonData4$rating, AmazonData4$rating_count)
## [1] 0.1022348
# 0.1022348
# We though that the higher ratings would be conducive to higher
# rating counts, that is to say we expected a positive and stronger
# correlation between rating and rating_count We were correct that
# there was a positive correlation, but the correlation was much
# weaker than we expected
cor(AmazonData4$discounted_price_usd, AmazonData4$rating_count)
## [1] -0.02730249
#-0.02730249
cor(AmazonData4$actual price usd, AmazonData4$rating count)
```

[1] -0.03621571

```
#-0.03621571
# The correlation between discounted_price_usd and rating_count, as
# well as actual_price_usd and rating_count were both what we
# expected. We thought online shoppers would expect different prices
# for different items, so We did not expect price alone be a
# significant factor in rating or rating count. If there would be a
# correlation at all, it would probably be negative, because nobody
# wants to pay more.
cor(AmazonData4$discounted_price_usd, AmazonData4$rating)
## [1] 0.1211309
# 0.1211309
cor(AmazonData4$actual price usd, AmazonData4$rating)
## [1] 0.1224666
# 0.1224666
# We expected these results to be the same as the above, but there
# was actually a positive correlation between discounted price usd
# and rating as well as actual_price_usd and rating the correlation
# was weak as we expected, but we didn't expect it to be positive for
# the same reason mentioned above.
# The last 4 results are very weak, but surprisingly consistent.
```

10. Based on the answers to questions 1, 2 and 3, pick the Tier 1 category with the most user activity. Now continue that analysis down from every subcategory, tier 2 – tier 6. What new takeaways are there from this detailed analysis? Are there any outliers in the data that can be identified?

R Code & Answer:

Q 10.1: Electronics is the Tier 1 category we have selected

```
electronics <- AmazonData4 %>%
    filter(Cat1 == "Electronics")

electronics_revenue <- electronics %>%
    group_by(Cat2) %>%
    summarize(total_revenue = sum(discounted_price_usd, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
    arrange(-total_revenue)

electronics_revenue
```

Q 10.2: Finding subcategories

```
## # A tibble: 9 x 2
##
   Cat2
                                             total_revenue
## <chr>
                                                      <dbl>
## 1 HomeTheater, TV&Video
                                                    20232.
## 2 Mobiles&Accessories
                                                    13783.
## 3 WearableTechnology
                                                     2134.
## 4 Headphones, Earbuds & Accessories
                                                     751.
## 5 HomeAudio
                                                      297.
## 6 Cameras&Photography
                                                      244.
## 7 Accessories
                                                     136.
## 8 GeneralPurposeBatteries&BatteryChargers
                                                      64.5
## 9 PowerAccessories
                                                      15.5
```

```
# Home Theater, TV and Video is the Electronics subcategory that
# earns the most revenue

homeTheater <- electronics %>%
    filter(Cat2 == "HomeTheater,TV&Video")

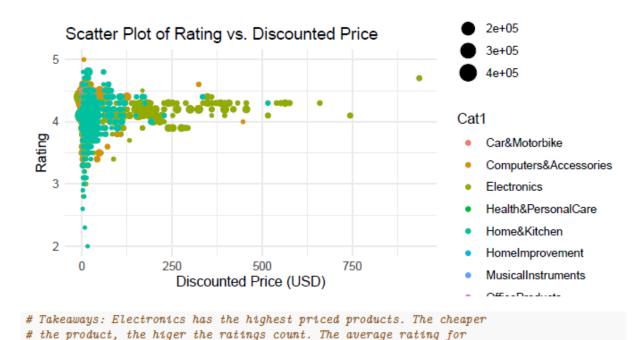
homeTheater_revenue <- homeTheater %>%
    group_by(Cat3) %>%
    summarize(total_revenue = sum(discounted_price_usd, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
    arrange(-total_revenue)
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
## Cat3
                        total revenue
## <chr>
                                 <dbl>
## 1 Televisions
                              19296.
## 2 Accessories
                                510.
## 3 Projectors
                                360.
## 4 SatelliteEquipment
                                41.6
## 5 AVReceivers&Amplifiers
                                23.9
# Televisions is the Home Theater category that earns the most
# revenue
televisions <- homeTheater %>%
   filter(Cat3 == "Televisions")
tv_revenue <- televisions %>%
   group_by(Cat4) %>%
   summarize(total_revenue = sum(discounted_price_usd, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
   arrange(-total_revenue)
tv_revenue
## # A tibble: 2 x 2
## Cat4
                     total_revenue
## <chr>
                            <dbl>
## 1 SmartTelevisions
                            18779.
## 2 StandardTelevisions
                              517.
# Smart TV is the Televisions category that earns the most revenue
# This is the end of the category tier for this line of products
unique(AmazonData4$Cat1)
```

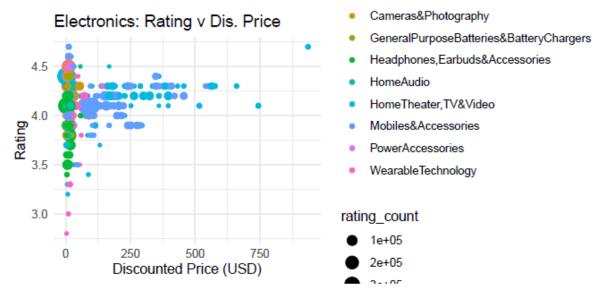
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```
## [1] "Computers&Accessories" "Electronics"
                                                      "MusicalInstruments"
## [4] "OfficeProducts" "Home&Kitchen"
                                                      "HomeImprovement"
## [7] "Toys&Games"
                              "Car&Motorbike"
                                                      "Health&PersonalCare"
ComputersAccessories <- AmazonData4 %>%
    filter(Cat1 == "Computers&Accessories")
MusicalInstruments <- AmazonData4 %>%
   filter(Cat1 == "MusicalInstruments")
OfficeProducts <- AmazonData4 %>%
   filter(Cat1 == "OfficeProducts")
HomeKitchen <- AmazonData4 %>%
   filter(Cat1 == "Home&Kitchen")
HomeImprovement <- AmazonData4 %>%
   filter(Cat1 == "HomeImprovement")
ToysGames <- AmazonData4 %>%
   filter(Cat1 == "Toys&Games")
CarMotorbike <- AmazonData4 %>%
   filter(Cat1 == "Car&Motorbike")
HealthPersonalCare <- AmazonData4 %>%
filter(Cat1 == "Health&PersonalCare")
```

```
ggplot(data = AmazonData4, aes(x = discounted_price_usd, y = rating, color = Cat1,
    size = rating_count)) + geom_point() + labs(title = "Scatter Plot of Rating vs. Discounted Price",
    x = "Discounted Price (USD)", y = "Rating") + theme_minimal()
```



```
ggplot(data = electronics, aes(x = discounted_price_usd, y = rating, color = Cat2,
    size = rating_count)) + geom_point() + labs(title = "Electronics: Rating v Dis. Price",
```



x = "Discounted Price (USD)", y = "Rating") + theme_minimal()

most products falls between 4 and 4.5.

```
# Takeaways: Home Theater has the most expensive products. Mobiles
# get the highest volume of ratings. Most ratings fall between 4 and
# 4.4.
```

```
ggplot(data = HomeKitchen, aes(x = discounted_price_usd, y = rating, color = Cat2,
    size = rating_count)) + geom_point() + labs(title = "Home Kitchen: Rating v Dis. Price",
    x = "Discounted Price (USD)", y = "Rating") + theme_minimal()
```



Interpretations

After conducting a detailed analysis of Amazon data, some interesting insights have emerged. By examining various metrics and trends, we can gain valuable information about Amazon's performance and market position. These insights were able to shed light not only on Amazon's growth, but also their customer behaviors. Through this thorough analysis we were able to confirm somethings and find others that were a little surprising.

One thing that was more of a confirmation was the relationship between price and rating. As an Amazon Customer myself, I have been on the other side of top-rated products rising in sales price due to thousands of top tier ratings. On the other side, one thing that was surprising to me was that Office Supplies had the highest rating. I believed it would be electronics due to Black Friday, Prime Day and the devices Amazon has used to change the market, but I was also pleasantly surprised it was not. This got me thinking that it would be interesting to see if these questions would reflect the same answers when used on Amazon US Sales Data. Are office supplies popular because there is a multitude of remote positions that are outsourced from the US? Does it only seem popular because there are only 30 observations, compared to a bigger subset like Electronics that has over 500?

Based on our final linear regression model, we confirmed a couple of ways we can predict an Amazon product's final rating:

- 1. As the discount percentage increases, the rating tends to decrease.
- 2. As the actual (non-discounted) price increases, the rating also tends to increase.
- 3. As the discounted price increases, the rating tends to decrease.
- 4. Overall (based on P Values), discount percentage and actual price have the strongest impact on an Amazon product's final rating compared to the discounted price.

We believe that consumers trust that expensive products are worth their investment, and the court of public opinion would never steer them wrong. Expensive products validate their monetary decisions as a consumer, and therefore they like to give those products high ratings. However, if they bought a product that was heavily discounted – especially a product that was heavily discounted but remains a pricey product – shoppers are more likely to give the product a harsher rating, as they fear they were tricked by a shiny discount into buying a product that wasn't worth it. The reason a product was so heavily discounted in the first place may be because people stopped buying it due to its low quality. The second synopsis is other customers opinions matter a great deal; people are more likely to purchase an item with high ratings than one with low ratings.

Actionable Steps & Insights

Our analysis provides valuable insights, but we would have developed a deeper understanding with more granular data. Variables such as actual revenue per category, product view counts, and calendrical sales data (including special days like Black Friday or Prime sales) would provide better context. There were 1455 reviews with ratings above 3, but a mere 7 reviews below 3. Our analysis would be better balanced if the dataset included far more negative reviews.

Our word cloud analysis demonstrates the importance consumers place on product quality. Reviews including words such as 'good', 'quality', and 'product' correlate positively with higher ratings and sales, whereas words like 'cheap' and 'defective' indicate decreased ratings and sales. Additionally, we identified a weakly negative correlation of –0.155679 between discount percentage and product rating. Like the insights we gleaned from the word clouds, this indicates that offering greater discounts on lower quality items is not an effective strategy. To prioritize customer satisfaction, we need to offer good quality products, even at a higher price.

The data identifies that home theater, TV (particularly Smart TVs), and video yield the highest revenue within the electronics category. Therefore, these products are worthiest of greater marketing budgets. We can promote items consumers are more likely to purchase alongside Smart TVs, such as sound systems, streaming devices, TV furniture, etc., employing similar marketing strategies by prioritizing higher quality and higher prices over lower quality and higher discounts.

The data proved that quality reigns supreme. So, one insight we would offer is to make sure whatever you are selling is a good quality product, because if it is not the customers will know and they will alert everyone else to this fact.

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