# **AB Testing - New Menu Launched**

### **The Business Problem**

Round Roasters is an upscale coffee chain with locations in the western United States of America. The past few years have resulted in stagnant growth at the coffee chain, and a new management team was put in place to reignite growth at their stores.

The first major growth initiative is to introduce gourmet sandwiches to the menu, along with limited wine offerings. The new management team believes that a television advertising campaign is crucial to drive people into the stores with these new offerings.

However, the television campaign will require a significant boost in the company's marketing budget, with an unknown return on investment (ROI). Additionally, there is concern that current customers will not buy into the new menu offerings.

To minimize risk, the management team decides to test the changes in two cities with new television advertising. Denver and Chicago cities were chosen to participate in this test because the stores in these two cities (or markets) perform similarly to all stores across the entire chain of stores; performance in these two markets would be a good proxy to predict how well the updated menu performs.

The test ran for a period of **12 weeks (2016-April-29 to 2016-July-21)** where five stores in each of the test markets offered the updated menu along with television advertising.

The comparative period is the test period, but for last year (2015-April-29 to 2015-July-21).

Analyze the results of the experiment to determine whether the menu changes should be applied to all stores. The predicted impact to profitability should be enough to justify the increased marketing budget: **at least 18% increase in profit growth** compared to the comparative period while compared to the control stores; otherwise known as incremental lift. In the data, profit is represented in the gross\_margin variable.

As we know that the volume of oberservation is fairly-low for this business case, hence we will design this test on Match-Pair Experiment design.

# 1- Plan The Analysis

What is the performance metric you'll use to evaluate the results of your test?

For this test we are taking **gross margin** as performance metric to evaluate the results.

What is the test period?

The test ran for a period of 12 weeks (2016-April-29 to 2016-July-21)

> At what level (day, week, month, etc.) should the data be aggregated?

We are planning to aggreate the data on the week level.

# 2- Clean Up Your Data

In this step, the data is prepared for steps 3 and 4. The transaction data is agreegated at the appropriate level and filter on the appropriate data ranges. We make sure there are no missing, incomplete, duplicate, or dirty data. Move on to the next step when you have weekly transaction data for all stores.

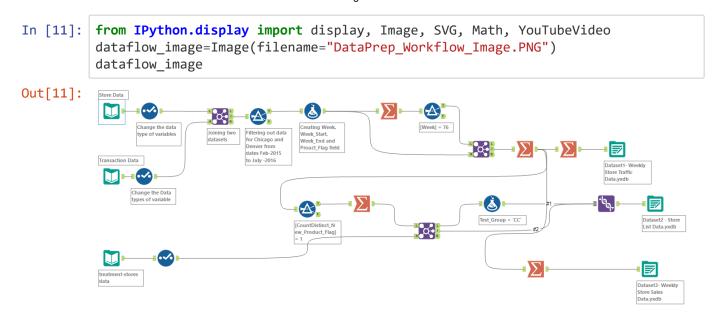
Prepare Data from the raw data files:

- · Round Roster Store Data
- · Round Roster Transaction Data
- · Treatment Stores Data

We create three data files:

- Weekly store traffic data -> Produces our seasonality and trend indices to help us match our treatment and control stores
- Store list data -> Produces which control stores to match with our treatment stores along with results from the A/B Trend Tool
- Sales data -> Produces the final results

The data for analysis is aggregated on the Weekly level and date ranges is from 2015-02-06 to 2016-07-29



### 3- Match Treatment and Control Units

What control variables should be considered?

The control variable should be consider is Average Month Sale.

What is the correlation between your each potential control variable and your performance metric?



What control variables will you use to match treatment and control stores?

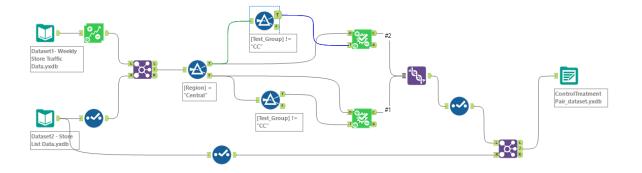
\*Average Month Sale\*, \*Trend\*, \*Seasonality\* will be use to match treatment and control stores.

Treatment and Control stores pairs

Control Store 2	Control Store 1	Treatment Store
7484	1857	1664
8562	2114	1675
7584	1964	1696
7384	1508	1700
8212	7284	1712
12069	9081	2288
11568	12219	2293
10468	10018	2301
3102	2409	2322
11368	2333	2241

In [13]: ControlTreatmentPai=Image(filename="ControlTreatmentPair\_Workflow.PNG")
ControlTreatmentPai

#### Out[13]:



# 4- Analysis and Writeup

What is your recommendation - Should the company roll out the updated menu to all stores?

From the analysis of the result it is clear that making changes in the menu will definately going to increase the profit margin by more than 18%, hence company should make this changes to all of there stores.

What is the lift from the new menu for West and Central regions (include statistical significance)?

From the analysis shown in below, we can see that for Central Region

• Lift: 43.5

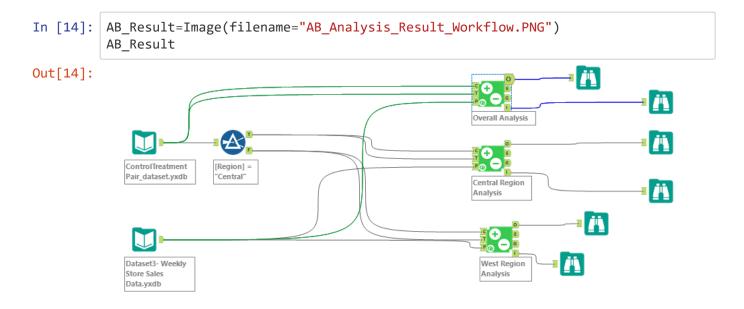
• Significance Level: 99.6

for West Region

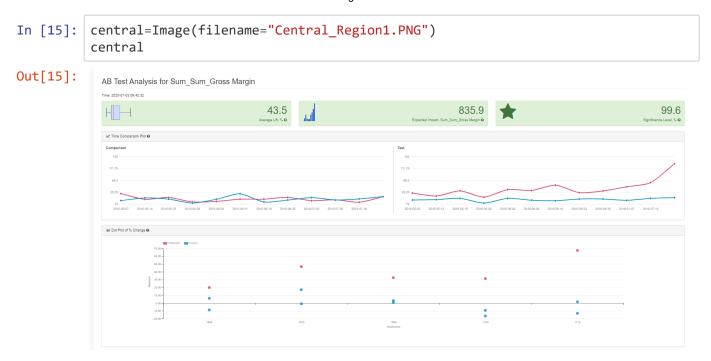
• Lift: 37.9

• Significance Level: 99.5

### **Workflow**



## **Central Region Analysis**



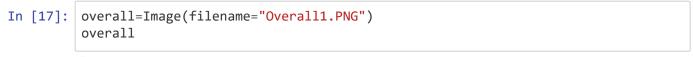
## **West Region Analysis**



What is the lift from the new menu overall?

From the analysis shown in below, Overall Performance

- Lift: 40.7
- Significance Level: 100



Out[17]:



In [ ]: