Anomaly Detection

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1. Introduction

Defining the question

- I am a Data analyst at Carrefour Kenya and are currently undertaking a project that will inform the marketing department on the most relevant marketing strategies that will result in the highest no. of sales (total price including tax).
- I am expected to find out if there are any anomalies in the data.

Metric for success

• Be able to effectively detect anomalies in the products.

Understanding the context

- Carrefour operates different store formats, as well as multiple online offerings to meet the growing needs of its diversified customer base.
- In line with the brand's commitment to provide the widest range of quality products and value for money, Carrefour offers an unrivalled choice of more than 500,000 food and non-food products, and a locally inspired exemplary customer experience to create great moments for everyone every day.

Recording the experimental design

- Problem Definition
- Anomaly Detection
- Provide insights based on my analysis
- Provide recommendations

Data Relevance

• Link to the dataset: http://bit.ly/CarreFourSalesDataset

2. Loading libraries and dataset

```
# Load tidyverse and anomalize
library(tidyverse)
## -- Attaching packages ------ tidyverse 1.3.1 --
## v ggplot2 3.3.5
                              0.3.4
                  v purrr
## v tibble 3.1.6 v dplyr 1.0.8
## v tidyr 1.2.0
                    v stringr 1.4.0
                     v forcats 0.5.1
## v readr
          2.1.2
## -- Conflicts ------ tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()
                   masks stats::lag()
library(anomalize, warn.conflicts = FALSE)
## == Use anomalize to improve your Forecasts by 50%! =======
## Business Science offers a 1-hour course - Lab #18: Time Series Anomaly Detection!
## </> Learn more at: https://university.business-science.io/p/learning-labs-pro </>
library(tibbletime)
##
## Attaching package: 'tibbletime'
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
      filter
  • Data:
# read data
forecast <- read.csv("C:/Users/user/Downloads/Supermarket_Sales_Forecasting - Sales.csv")</pre>
head(forecast)
##
         Date
                Sales
## 1 1/5/2019 548.9715
## 2 3/8/2019 80.2200
## 3 3/3/2019 340.5255
## 4 1/27/2019 489.0480
## 5 2/8/2019 634.3785
## 6 3/25/2019 627.6165
```

3. Anomaly Detection

Overview

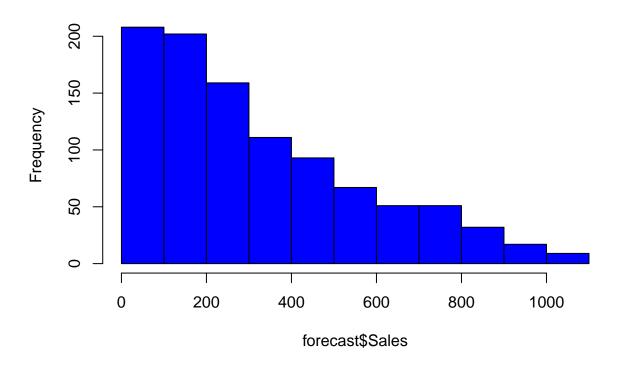
• We are to check whether there are any anomalies in the given sales dataset. The objective of this task being fraud detection.

```
\# checking the structure of our data
str(forecast)
## 'data.frame': 1000 obs. of 2 variables:
## $ Date : chr "1/5/2019" "3/8/2019" "3/3/2019" "1/27/2019" ...
## $ Sales: num 549 80.2 340.5 489 634.4 ...
# checking the shape
dim(forecast)
## [1] 1000
  • We have 1000 observations and 2 variables.
# converting variables to our preferred format
forecast$Date <- as.Date(forecast$Date, "%m/%d/%Y")</pre>
str(forecast)
## 'data.frame':
                  1000 obs. of 2 variables:
## $ Date : Date, format: "2019-01-05" "2019-03-08" ...
## $ Sales: num 549 80.2 340.5 489 634.4 ...
```

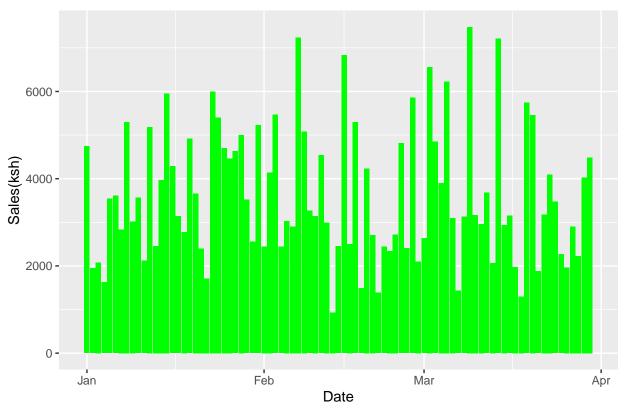
Visualization

```
# visualizing our sales
hist(forecast$Sales,col="blue")
```

Histogram of forecast\$Sales



Sales distribution



```
# Ordering the data by Date
forecast = forecast %>% arrange(Date)
head(forecast)
```

```
## Date Sales
## 1 2019-01-01 457.443
## 2 2019-01-01 399.756
## 3 2019-01-01 470.673
## 4 2019-01-01 388.290
## 5 2019-01-01 132.762
## 6 2019-01-01 132.027
```

```
# Since our data has many records per day,
# We get the average per day, so that the data
forecast = aggregate(Sales ~ Date , forecast , mean)
head(forecast)
```

```
## Date Sales
## 1 2019-01-01 395.4318
## 2 2019-01-02 243.1879
## 3 2019-01-03 259.7661
## 4 2019-01-04 270.6148
## 5 2019-01-05 294.7236
## 6 2019-01-06 401.5783
```

```
# tbl_time have a time index that contains information about which column
# should be used for time-based subsetting and other time-based manipulation,
forecast= tbl_time(forecast, Date) # Converting data frame to a tibble time (tbl_time)
class(forecast)
```

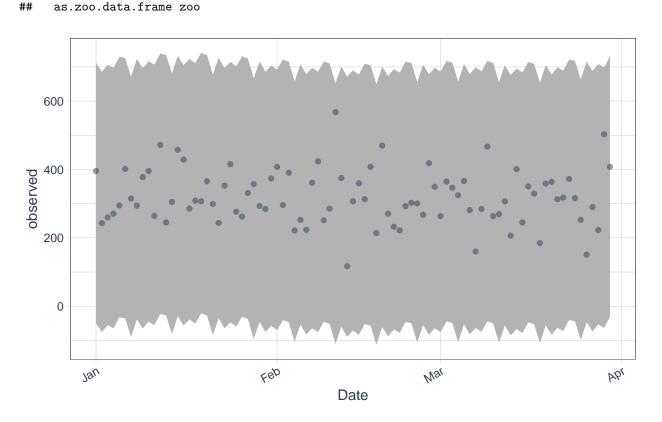
```
## [1] "tbl time"
                     "tbl df"
                                   "tbl"
                                                 "data.frame"
```

• I will use the following functions to detect and visualize anomalies:

```
forecast %>%
    time_decompose(Sales) %>%
    anomalize(remainder) %>%
    time_recompose() %>%
    plot_anomalies(time_recomposed = TRUE, ncol = 3, alpha_dots = 0.5)
## frequency = 7 days
```

trend = 30 days ## Registered S3 method overwritten by 'quantmod': ## method from

##



anomaly

No

Yes

4. Conclusion

• There were no anomalies detected in the data.