



# Week 4 - A/B Testing

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## AB Testing

- Evaluate the consequences of different marketing actions like advertising or sales promotion
- Why it's important to find out causality and effect of Marketing?
  - 낭비되는 마케팅 채널을 찾아내서 효율성을 높임
  - 관계부서에 투입을 요구할 때 '마케팅을 하지 않았을 때'와 '마케팅을 했을 때'의 차이를 증명할 수 있음

## Rules for establishing causality

- Change in marketing mix produces change in sales
  - Increasing Advertising dollars → Increased Sales
- No sales increase when there is no change in the marketing mix
  - No Increase in Advertising dollars → Same sales
- Time Sequence
  - Increased advertising dollars today leads to higher sales tomorrow
- No other external factor

- When advertising was Increased, one of the competitors left the market. So sales Increased because of lesser competition not because of increased advertising.

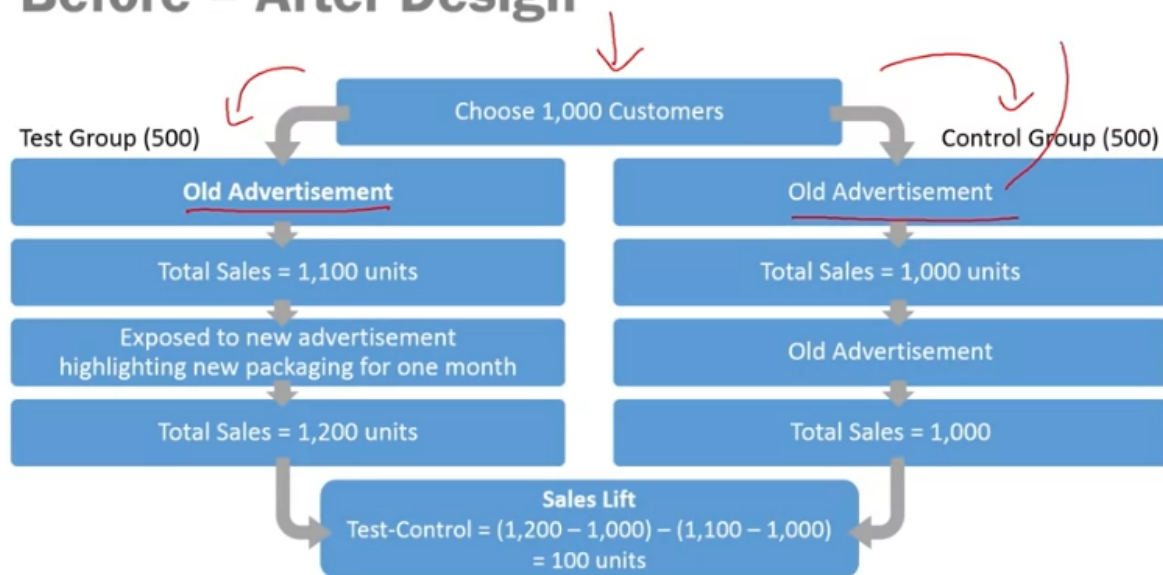
## Experiment for measuring casuality

- Test group: subjects with new marketing
- Control group: subjects that does not see any new marketing
- The consequence difference between test group and control group is the proof for marketing effect

## Designing Before - After Experiments

- How to assign customers to to test and control group?
  - randomization : the assigning is made by chance
    - Note that if we have 1,000 or more customers, randomization is achieved.
  - Choose subjects with similar environment.
    - 겨울재킷에 대한 마케팅 효과를 판단할 때 추운 지역과 더운 지역의 고객을 함께 넣고 랜덤추출할 수는 없다.
- Difference between “before-after experiment” and “A/B Test”
  - “Before-after experiment” control the preexisting differences between test and control groups.
  - 아래 예시에서 마케팅 Control group과 Test group의 매출 차이는 200이 아니라 100이다 (Test group의 증가분 100 - Control group의 증가분 0) → 이렇게 이전 차이를 고려한 difference를 “Sales Lift”라고 부름
  - AB 테스트는 실험군과 대조군이 원래부터 가지고 있었던 차이를 고려하지 않고 결과를 확인함.

## Before – After Design



## Designing Full Factorial Web Experiments

- Advantages of web experiments
  - Cheap and Quick
  - Allows to change multiple conditions
- Full factorial Design
  - Changing multiple factors and find what condition leads to the greatest lift

## Analyzing an Experiment: Etch A Sketch

- Ohio Art, which owns the program “Etch A Sketch” did TV Advertising Experiment
  - Test group: Cincinnati
  - Control group: Other states in U.S
- Experiment results
  - Test Product: Etch A Sketch
  - Control Product: Doodle
    - Reason for establishing control product
      - Measuring external factors (Etch a Sketch는 판매량이 늘어나는 시기가 존재하기 때문에 판매량 상승이 시기의 영향일 수도 있음. 같은 시기 비슷한 물

품의 판매량을 확인하여 시기의 영향을 파악한다)

- Doodle sales become the baseline (removing seasonal effect)

	Number of Weeks	Etch A Sketch			Doodle		
		Cincinnati Units	Control* Units	Cincinnati Shares (%)	Cincinnati Units	Control Units	Cincinnati Share
Pre Test 5 Dec 2005 – 26 Nov 2006	12	162	1526	9.6	1517	6742	18.4
Test 27 Nov 2006 – 16 Dec 2006	3	240	1598	13.1	816	3780	17.7
Lift				136.1			96.7

- Measuring net lift for the promotion
  - Etch A Sketch sales lift in Cincinnati:  $13.1 / 9.6 = 136.1$
  - Doodle sales lift in Cincinnati:  $17.7 / 18.4 = 96.7$
  - Doodle sales was declined during the test
  - Net lift (순수상승률) : Test Product lift - Control Product lift ( $136.1 - 96.7$ )
- Calculating promotion spending

Retail Price	10
Retail Margin (소매업체가 가져가는 돈)	36%
Manufacturer Selling Price	$10 * (1 - 0.36) = 6.4$
Manufacturer Contribution Margin %	58%
Manufacturer Contribution Margin \$ (Margin for the Ohio Art)	$6.4 * 0.58 = 3.71$

National Budget (Amount spent for Marketing)	5,000,000
Unit Break Even (Amount needed to compensate national budget)	$5 \text{ million} / 3.71 = 1,346,983$
Base Units (Sales without promotion)	3,100,000
Base Units Test Period (Sales during promotion)	1,085,000
Break Even Lift % of Base	$1.3 \text{ million} / 1.08 \text{ million} = 124(\%)$

- Break Even Lift % of Base (124%) > Net lift from TV Ads (39.4%)
- TV advertising campaign for Etch A Sketch isn't efficient

## Practice Quiz on Calculating Break Even and Lift

1.

In an advertising experiment using before-after design, 1000 customers are randomly assigned to 3 groups. All groups are exposed to the existing advertisement for round 1 of the experiment. In round 2 of the experiment, groups 2 and 3 see the new ad while group 1 (the control) is still shown the old ad.

	Control Group1	Test Group2	Test Group3
Round 1 sales —old ad	295	310	300
Round 2 sales - Group1, old ad, Gropu2 and 3, new ad	310	450	325

answer)  $325 - 300 = 25$

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new answer)

- how to get lift?
  1. calculate the share of test group 3 with old ad  
→  $300 / 905 = 0.3315$
  2. calculate the share of test group 3 with new ad  
→  $325 / 1085 = 0.2995$
  3. calculate  $(2 / 1) * 100$   
→ 90.3469

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2. Correct

**What is the manufacturer contribution margin (\$)?**

Retail price	\$100
Retail margin	30%
Manufacturer contribution margin	42%

answer)  $\$100 * (1-0.3) * 0.42 = 29.4$

**3. Correct**

**A "Mom & Pop" startup wants to increase brand awareness of their delicious hot sauce. How many bottle of hot sauce do they need to sell to break even on the ad campaign?**

Ad budget	\$25,000
Retail price	\$4.50 / bottle
Retail margin	45%
Manufacturer contribution margin	30%


answer)

- manufacturer contribution margin in dollars :  $4.5 * 0.55 * 0.3 = 0.7425(\$)$
- Unit Break Even:  $25,000 / 0.7425 = 33,670.033$

→ Isn't the unit break even 33,671?

**4. Correct**

**Calculate net lift given the following information:**

		Test Product			Control Product		
	Number of weeks	Mumbai Units	Control* Units	Mumbai Share (%)	Mumbai Units	Control * Units	Mumbai Share
Pre-test	12	5310	22334	?	2033	5777	?
Test	3	9231	29589	?	2512	6820	?
Lift				?			?
Net lift				?			

\*Control cities include: New Delhi, Calcutta, Bangalore, Chennai.

Answer)

- Lift for Test product:  $\text{Test} / \text{Pretest} = \{9231 / (29589 + 9231)\} / \{5310 / (5310 + 22334)\} = (9231 / 38820) / (5310 / 27644)$   
 $= 0.2378 / 0.1921 = 1.2378...$   
Lift = 123.79
- Lift for Control Product  
 $(2512 / 9332) / (2033 / 7810) = 0.2692 / 0.2603 = 1.0342$   
Lift = 103.42
- Net Lift : (Lift for Test Product) - (Lift for Control Product)  
= About 20.37

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