

Codeacademy: Learn SQL from Scratch

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First & Last Touch Attribution Capstone Project Summary

1. Get familiar with the company.

How many campaigns and sources does CoolTShirts use and how are they related?

Be sure to explain the difference between utm_campaign and utm_source.

What pages are on their website?

2. What is the user journey?

How many first touches is each campaign responsible for?

How many last touches is each campaign responsible for?

How many visitors make a purchase?

How many last touches on the purchase page is each campaign responsible for?

What is the typical user journey?

3. Optimize the campaign budget

CoolTShirts can re-invest in 5 campaigns. Which should they pick and why?

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Get Familiar with the Company



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How many campaigns and sources does CoolTShirts use and how are they related?

Cool T Shirts has 8 campaigns and utilizes 6 sources.

The difference between utm_campaign and utm_source:

A utm_source identifies which website drove traffic such as google or facebook. A source can run multiple campaigns. A utm_campaign refers to the specific purpose of social media ad or email.

Campaigns	Sources	
getting-to-know-cool-tshirts	nytimes	
weekly-newsletter	email	
ten-crazy-cool-tshirts-facts	buzzfeed	
retargetting-campaign	email	
retargetting-ad	facebook	
interview-with-cool-tshirts-founder	medium	
paid-search	google	
cool-tshirts-search	google	



SELECT COUNT (DISTINCT utm_campaign) AS 'Campaigns' FROM page_visits;

SELECT COUNT (DISTINCT utm_source) AS 'Sources' FROM page_visits;

SELECT DISTINCT utm_campaign AS Campaigns, utm_source AS Sources FROM page_visits;



Get Familiar with the Company

What pages are on their website?

- 1. Landing pages refer to a content page that contains product or service information
- 2. Shopping cart is the next step in the funnel, where a user adds an item or service to cart
- 3. Checkout page is where the user begins entering transaction data to complete a purchase
- 4. The purchase page is usually a page that indicates order submission / success

Pages

landing page

shopping_cart

checkout

purchase

SELECT DISTINCT page_name AS 'Pages'
FROM page_visits;

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What is the User Journey



How many first touches is each campaign responsible for?

First we query a set of all first touches and then group by both utm_campaign and utm_source.

Source	Campaign	Count
medium	interview-with-cool-tshirts-founder	622
nytimes	getting-to-know-cool-tshirts	612
buzzfeed	ten-crazy-cool-tshirts-facts	576
google	cool-tshirts-search	169

```
WITH first touch AS (
 SELECT user id,
         MIN(timestamp) as 'first touch at'
FROM page visits
GROUP BY user id)
SELECT ft.user id,
 ft.first touch at,
 pv.utm source,
         pv.utm campaign
FROM first touch AS 'ft'
JOIN page visits AS 'pv'
 ON ft.user id = pv.user id
 AND ft.first touch at = pv.timestamp,
ft attr AS (
         SELECT ft.user id,
         ft.first touch at,
         pv.utm source,
         pv.utm campaign
 FROM first touch AS 'ft'
 JOIN page visits AS 'pv'
         ON ft.user id = pv.user id
         AND ft.first touch at = pv.timestamp)
SELECT ft attr.utm source AS 'Source',
         ft.attr.utm campaign AS 'Campaign',
 COUNT(*)
FROM ft attr
GROUP BY 1, 2
ORDER BY 3 DESC;
```



How many last touches is each campaign responsible for?

First we query a set of all last touches and then group by both utm_campaign and utm_source.

Source	Campaign	Count
email	weekly-newsletter	447
facebook	retargetting-ad	443
email	retargetting-campaign	245
nytimes	getting-to-know-cool-tshirts	232
buzzfeed	ten-crazy-cool-tshirts-facts	190
medium	interview-with-cool-tshirts-foun der	184
google	paid-search	178
google	cool-tshirts-search	60

```
WITH last touch AS (
  SELECT user id,
   MAX(timestamp) AS 'last touch at'
  FROM page_visits
  GROUP BY user id),
ft attr AS (
SELECT It.user id,
         It.last touch at,
         pv.utm source,
         pv.utm_campaign
 FROM last touch AS 'It'
 JOIN page visits AS 'pv'
         ON lt.user id = pv.user id
         AND It.last touch at = pv.timestamp
SELECT ft attr.utm source AS 'Source',
         ft attr.utm campaign AS 'Campaign'
 COUNT(*) AS 'Count'
FROM ft attr
GROUP BY 1, 2
ORDER BY 3 DESC;
```



How many visitors make a purchase?

Conversions

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SELECT COUNT (DISTINCT user_id) AS 'Conversions' FROM page_visits
WHERE page_name = '4 - purchase';



How many last touches on the purchase page is each campaign responsible for?

Source	Campaign	Count
email	weekly-newsletter	115
facebook	retargetting-ad	113
email	retargetting-campaign	54
google	paid-search	52
nytimes	getting-to-know-cool-tshirts	9
buzzfeed	ten-crazy-cool-tshirts-facts	9
medium	interview-with-cool-tshirts-founder	7
google	cool-tshirts-search	2

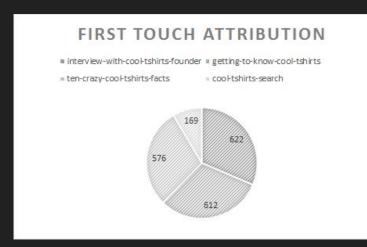
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  It.last_touch_at,
  pv.utm source,
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FROM last touch AS 'It'
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SELECT ft attr.utm source AS 'source',
         ft attr.utm campaign AS 'Campaign',
 COUNT(*) AS 'Count'
FROM ft attr
GROUP BY 1, 2
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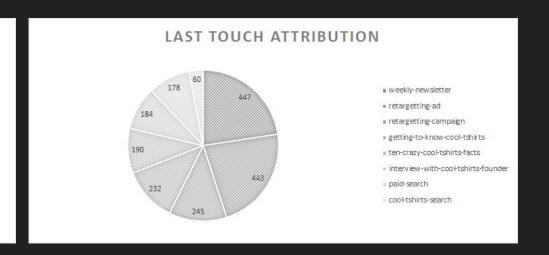


What is the typical user journey?

The typical user journey begins with article campaigns from the sources like NYT, Buzzfeed, Medium and Google. However, these article campaigns are least likely to get last touch attribution.

Weekly newsletters and retargeting ads and campaigns drive 93% of conversions on purchase page that originally began with article-like campaigns.





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Optimize Campaign Budget



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CoolTShirts can re-invest in 5 campaigns. Which should they pick and why?

If limited to reinvesting in 5 campaigns only, CoolTShirts needs to find balance between driving traffic to the site but also driving traffic that will later convert.

Since article campaigns drive the most traffic to CoolTShirts website, the top 2 article pages 'getting-to-know-cool-tshirts' and 'interview-with-cool-tshirts-founder' should get additional marketing dollars allocated to push for more traffic and make up for the losses from the other articles that lose marketing dollars.

Since weekly newsletters, retargeting ad and retargeting campaign have the highest conversion rates, these should also be invested in.

Campaign	First Touch Attribution	Last Touch Attribution	Purchases	Purchases by Campaign
weekly-newsletter	0	447	115	32%
retargetting-ad	0	443	113	31%
retargetting-campaign	0	245	54	15%
paid-search	0	178	52	14%
getting-to-know-cool-tshirts	612	232	9	2%
ten-crazy-cool-tshirts-facts	576	190	9	2%
interview-with-cool-tshirts-founder	622	184	7	2%
cool-tshirts-search	169	60	2	1%