

A



CONTROL

B



VARIATION

A/B Testing Using Python

Overview:

Problem Scenario:

- A company recently introduced a new bidding type, “**average bidding**”, as an alternative to its existing bidding type, called “**maximum bidding**”. One of their clients, has decided to test this new feature and wants to conduct an **A/B test** to understand if “**average bidding**” brings more **Purchase** than “**maximum bidding**”.
- In this A/B test, the company randomly splits its audience into two equally sized groups;
 1. the **Test Group**
 2. the **Control Group**
- Company ad campaign with “maximum bidding” is served to “control group” and another campaign with “average bidding” is served to the “test group”
- The A/B test has run for 40 days and the company now expects to analyze and present the results of this A/B test.

Objectives:

1. How would you define the hypothesis of this A/B test?
2. Which statistical test did you use, and why?
3. Can we conclude statistically significant results?
4. Based on your answer to Question 3, what would be your recommendation to client?

Aim:

1. Presentation should last about 15 minutes, and should be presented in English.
2. The ultimate success metric for the company is `Number of Purchases`. Therefore, we should focus on `Purchase metrics` for statistical testing.
3. Explain the concept of statistical testing for a non-technical audience.
4. Use visualizations to compare test and control group metrics, such as Website Click Through Rate, Cost per Action, and Conversion Rates in addition to Purchase numbers.
5. If any trends, anomalies or other patterns, discuss these in presentation.
6. We can make assumptions if needed.

Dataset Overview:

- Dataset contains 4 different metric variables observed during one month:
 - User sees an ad (**Impression**)
 - User clicks on the website link on the ad (**Click**)
 - User purchases the product (**Purchase**)
 - Value from the purchase (**Earning**)

Conclusion Of the Analysis:

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Recommendation:

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- **Therefore, retesting is recommended by collecting more data. If there is no such opportunity or time, it is recommended to continue with the existing bidding system.**

Let's Analyze the data

Let's explore DataGroupA

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DataGroupA Info

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
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2   Purchase    40 non-null    float64
3   Earning     40 non-null    float64
dtypes: float64(4)
memory usage: 1.4 KB
```

Summary Statistics of DataGroupA

	Impression	Click	Purchase	Earning
count	40.0	40.0	40.00	40.00
mean	101711.44	5100.7	550.89	1908.56
std	20302.15	1329.9	134.10	302.91
min	45475.0	2189.8	267.02	1253.98
25%	85726.9	4124.3	470.09	1685.84
50%	99790.8	5001.2	531.20	1975.16
75%	115212.8	5923.8	637.95	2119.80
max	147539.0	7959.0	801.79	2497.29

Let's explore DataGroupB

	Impression	Click	Purchase	Earning
0	120103.50	3216.54	702.16	1939.61
1	134775.94	3635.08	834.05	2929.40
2	107806.62	3057.14	422.93	2526.24
3	116445.27	4650.47	429.03	2281.42
4	145082.51	5201.38	749.86	2781.69

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std	18807.448712	923.095073	161.152513	282.730852
min	79033.834921	1836.629861	311.629515	1939.611243
25%	112691.970770	3376.819024	444.626828	2280.537426
50%	119291.300775	3931.359804	551.355732	2544.666107
75%	132050.578933	4660.497911	699.862360	2761.545405
max	158605.920483	6019.695079	889.910460	3171.489708

Feature Engineering

Feature Engineering: Conversion Rate

For GroupA

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For GroupB

	Impression	Click	Purchase	Earning	Conversion Rate
0	120103.503796	3216.547958	702.160346	1939.611243	21.829625
1	134775.943363	3635.082422	834.054286	2929.405820	22.944577
2	107806.620788	3057.143560	422.934258	2526.244877	13.834295
3	116445.275526	4650.473911	429.033535	2281.428574	9.225587
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Feature Engineering: Earning per Purchase

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Data Manipulation

Data Manipulation: Indication of Groups in A New Variable

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Earning per Purchase Group

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Let's Combine the Dataset

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45	115923.006949	4213.868620	778.373161	2157.408552	18.471700	277.168929	GroupB
46	106116.436642	3279.472973	491.614531	2560.411202	14.990657	520.816827	GroupB
47	125957.116104	4690.569911	855.719803	2563.579756	18.243408	299.581679	GroupB

A/B Testing for Purchase Matrix:

Correlation between feature

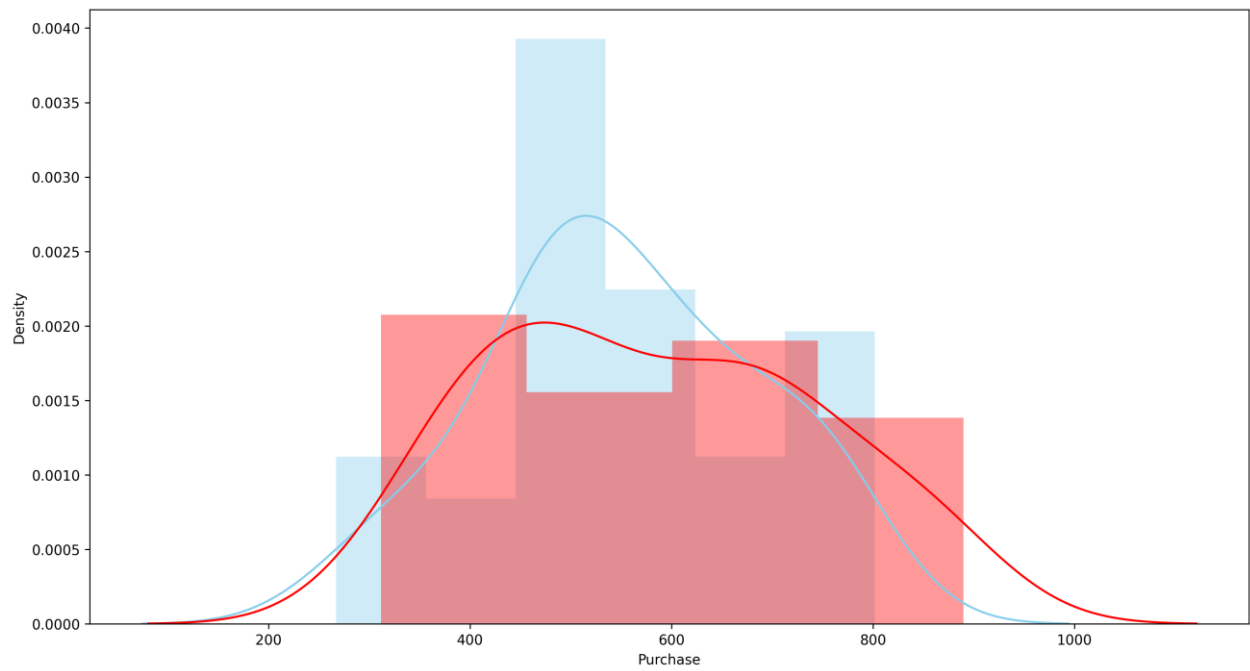
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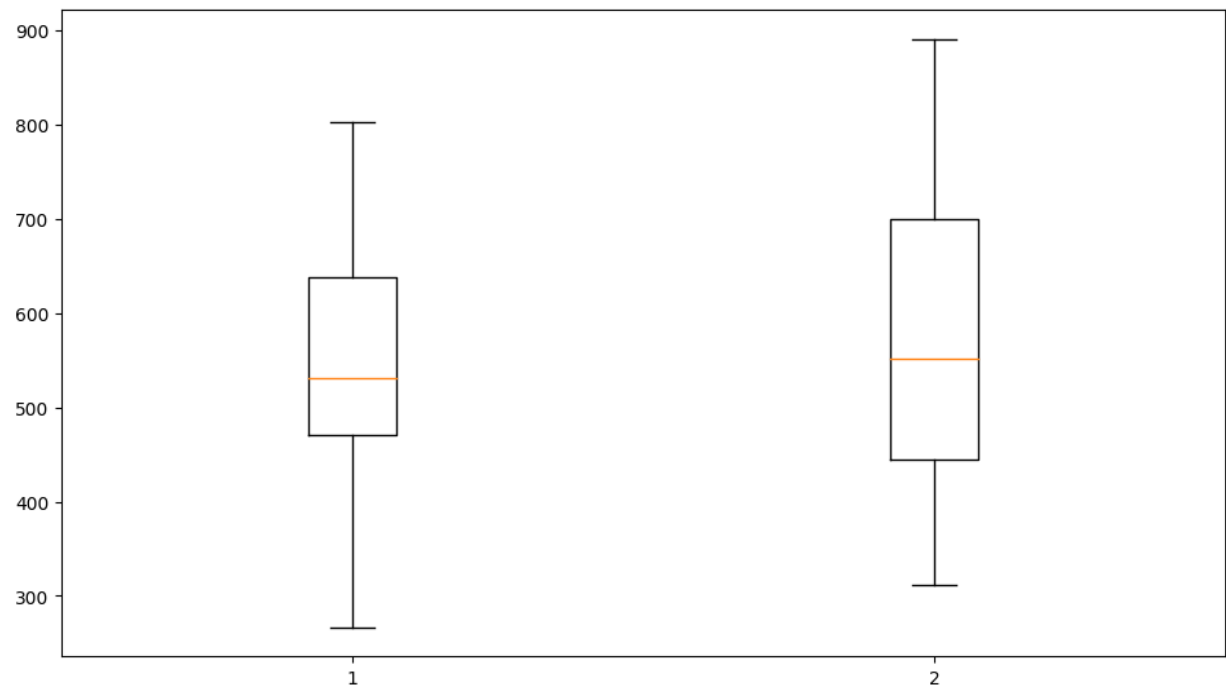
GroupB



Distribution of Purchase Matrix



Outlier Checking



Step-1: Testing the Normality Assumption

Hypothesis:

- **H0:** the distribution of the sample is not significantly different from a normal distribution
- **H1:** the distribution in question is significantly different from a normal distribution.

The confidence level will be set as 95% or 0.95. Hence, $\alpha = 1 - 0.95 = 0.05$

Results:

<code>GroupA_shapiro_p = 0.589, GroupB_shapiro_p = 0.154</code>

Interpretation:

- As both of the Group's p-values are bigger than 0.05, ($p > .05$)
- therefore, we cannot reject the null hypothesis,
- thus, we can say the distribution of the sample is not significantly different from a normal distribution.
- Means, normality assumption is fulfilled.

Step-2: Testing Homogeneity Levene's Test:

Hypothesis:

- **H0:** the variance among groups is equal.
- **H1:** are not equal.

Results:

<code>levene_F = 2.639, levene_p = 0.108</code>

Interpretation:

- The p-value for the Levene test is greater than 0.05,
- therefore, we cannot reject the null hypothesis.
- thus, we can say that the variances are not significantly different from each other
- Means the homogeneity assumption of the variance is met.

Info:

- **if levene_p > 0.05:**
 - Alternative 1--> Independent Samples t-Test
 - equal_var = True
- **if levene_p < 0.05:**
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Decision:

- As our Homogeneity assumption is fulfilled and
- $\text{levene_p} > 0.05$
- we will select Independent Sample t-Test where,
- equal_var = True

Final Hypothesis:

- **H0:** Average Bidding \leq Maximum Bidding, for the purchase amounts of the two groups.
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Results:

$t_value = -0.942, t_test_p = 0.349$

Interpretation:

- Independent Samples t-Test resulted as $p > .05$
- Which indicates that H0 cannot be rejected.
- Thus, we can say that, **there is no significant mean difference between average binding and maximum binding for Purchase values.**
- Means, Purchase doesn't differ much from one another.
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Conclusion

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