

## Email Marketing Campaign – Final Report

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**Project Title:** Email Campaign Optimization Using Data Science

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### 1. Objective

The goal of this project is to analyze an e-commerce email campaign and propose a data-driven strategy to optimize future email sends using machine learning. The objectives include:

- Measuring open and click-through rates (CTR)
  - Building a prediction model for link clicks
  - Estimating the improvement using predictive targeting
  - Analyzing user behavior across different segments
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### 2. Dataset Description

The project uses three datasets:

#### ◆ **email\_table.csv**

Contains metadata about emails:

- email\_text: short or long
- email\_version: personalized or generic
- hour, weekday: when the email was sent
- user\_country: user's country
- user\_past\_purchases: user's previous purchases

#### ◆ **email\_opened\_table.csv**

- Email IDs that were **opened** by users.

#### ◆ **link\_clicked\_table.csv**

- Email IDs where users **clicked** on a link.
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### 3. Campaign Performance Summary

After processing and merging data:

- **Total Emails Sent:** 20,000
- **Open Rate:** 10.35%
- **Click-Through Rate (CTR):** 2.12%

These results show relatively low engagement, especially in CTR, making it a good case for optimization.

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### 4. Predictive Modeling

A **Random Forest Classifier** was trained to predict if a user would click on the link.

◆ **Features Used:**

- email\_text, email\_version
- hour, weekday
- user\_country, user\_past\_purchases

#### Model Performance

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.98	1.00	0.99	19576
1	0.07	0.01	0.02	424
accuracy			0.98	20000
macro avg	0.53	0.50	0.50	20000
weighted avg	0.96	0.98	0.97	20000

- **Accuracy:** 98%
  - **Note:** The model suffers from **class imbalance** (only ~2% clicked), resulting in poor recall for positive class.
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## 5. CTR Improvement Using Model

By targeting only the **top 20% most likely to click**, based on predicted probability:

- **CTR in Top 20% Group: 9.25%**
- **Original CTR: 2.12%**
- **Estimated Improvement: ~4.36x**

This proves machine learning can significantly boost the effectiveness of future campaigns with selective targeting.

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## 6. Segment Analysis Insights

### ► Click Rate by Email Text:

- **Short Emails: 2.39%**
- **Long Emails: 1.85%**

✓ **Insight:** Shorter emails drive better user engagement.

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### ► Click Rate by Email Version:

- **Personalized: 2.73%**
- **Generic: 1.51%**

**Insight:** Personalization improves CTR significantly.

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### ► Click Rate by Weekday:

Day	CTR (%)
Monday	2.29%
Tuesday	2.49%
Wednesday	2.76%
Thursday	2.44%

Day	CTR (%)
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Friday	1.40%
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Saturday	1.78%
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Sunday	1.68%
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**Insight:** Best days to send emails are **Wednesday and Tuesday**.

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► **Click Rate by Purchase History:**

Purchases	CTR (%)
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0	0.05%
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1	1.12%
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2–5	1.85%
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6–10	3.65%
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10+	6.90%
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**Insight:** Users with **higher past purchases** are far more likely to click.

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## 7. Conclusion

The email campaign had a modest performance with an overall CTR of 2.12%. However, by leveraging machine learning, we can:

- Increase CTR to over **9%** by targeting only high-probability users
- Focus on **personalized, short emails**, sent mid-week
- Prioritize users with **higher purchase history** and engagement potential

This analysis demonstrates a powerful use case of machine learning for **marketing optimization** and **ROI improvement**.

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