Project: Personalized Pricing Optimization for In-Game Event (Monteviu)

Objective:

To maximize revenue for a mobile game's two-day event by designing scalable, data-driven pricing strategies. The project progressed from a flat-price model to cluster-based personalized pricing and discounting under acceptance capacity constraints.

My Role and Contributions

1. Single-Price Revenue Optimization - Baseline Strategy

I began by analyzing willingness-to-pay data across 2M players to determine a single optimal event price. I:

- Simulated revenue over a range of price points
- Identified the optimal uniform price that balanced reach and price point
- Built revenue curves to visualize sensitivity

Result:

Optimal price: \$6.00

Expected revenue: \$2.54M — baseline for comparison.

2. Cluster-Based Personalized Pricing

I used K-means clustering to segment players into 3 behavioral groups based on in-game demographics and purchasing patterns. For each cluster, I:

- Prescribed a tailored event price
- Modeled revenue response curves to optimize per-segment pricing
- Scaled segment insights to the full player base

Result:

Segmented pricing: \$12.00 (high WTP), \$6.00 (mid), \$2.00 (price-sensitive) Expected revenue: \$3.13M – a 23% uplift over the single-price strategy.

3. Capacity-Constrained Discount Strategy

To respect the platform's capacity of 10,000 accepted buyers/day, I extended the model using constrained optimization. For each cluster, I:

- Determined the best list price
- Offered tailored percentage discounts (5–80%) to maximize conversion while staying within caps
- Compared personalized discounting against flat discount campaigns

Result:

Revenue with personalized discounting: \$18,056 from 2,932 buyers Best flat discount result: \$12,696 from 2,116 buyers 42% revenue uplift and 40% more buyers served with personalized offers.

Tools & Skills Used

Python (Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Scikit-learn, SciPy)
Predictive modeling & customer segmentation
Constrained optimization
Revenue simulation and price sensitivity analysis
Data visualization and reporting

Outcome

A single price captured baseline revenue but ignored player heterogeneity. By segmenting and tailoring prices to player behavior, I improved revenue by 23%. Adding capacity-aware discounting further increased both reach and profit—demonstrating the power of behavioral segmentation and prescriptive analytics in digital pricing strategy.