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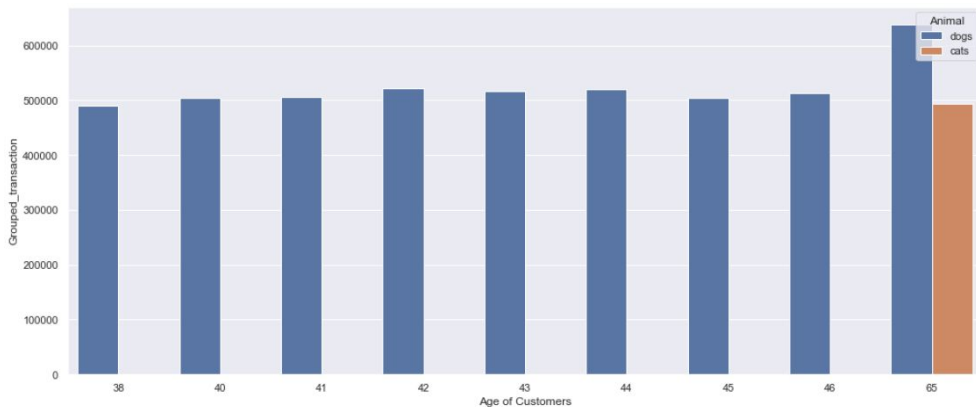
# **Fressnapf**

## **Expert Data Scientist Case Study**

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# Top 10 profitable products by Animal, Category\_type and Age of Customers

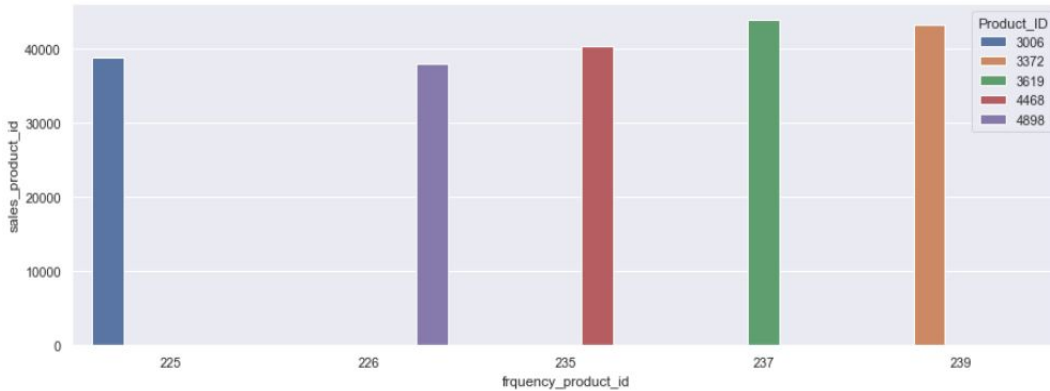
Definition of Profitable = Unit Cost (per product) \* Purchase Quantity (per customer)



	Animal	Category_type	Age of Customers	Grouped_transaction
0	dogs	food	65	638223.88
1	dogs	food	42	522515.50
2	dogs	food	44	519736.03
3	dogs	food	43	516294.99
4	dogs	food	46	513155.57
5	dogs	food	41	505727.84
6	dogs	food	45	504036.62
7	dogs	food	40	503764.04
8	cats	food	65	493264.91
9	dogs	food	38	490517.48

The top 10 contributors to Fressnapf's profit are customers over the age of 35 purchasing products from the food category for their pets (Dog).

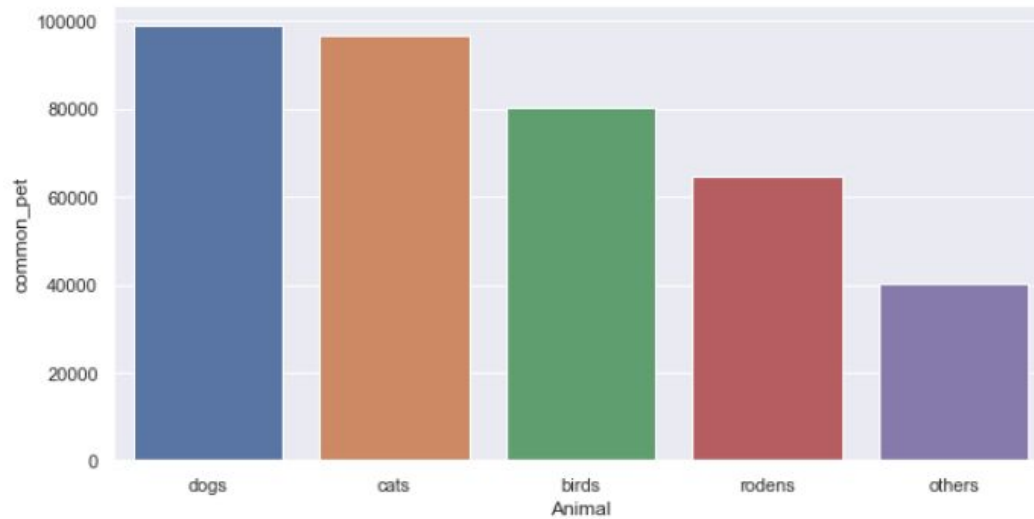
## Profitable Vs Frequent



	Product_ID	frequency_product_id	sales_product_id
3519	3619	237	43907.50
3272	3372	239	43362.20
4368	4468	235	40484.82
2906	3006	225	38862.74
4798	4898	226	38080.88

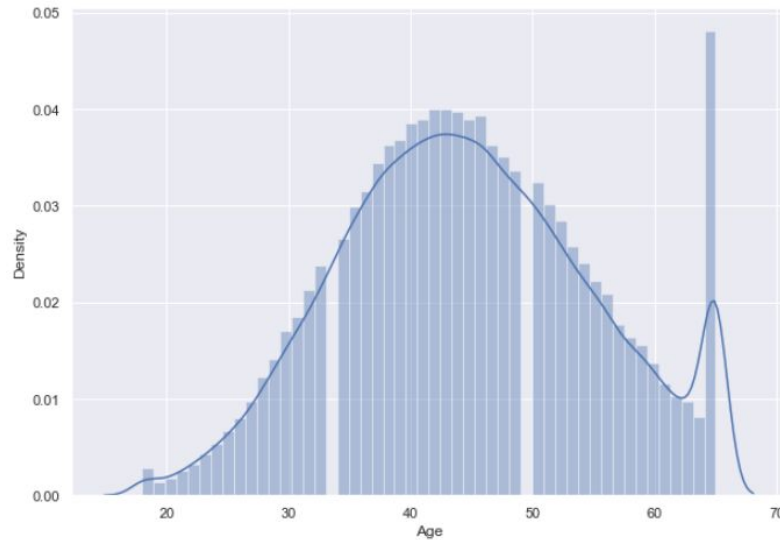
- **Product profitability** is not significantly different from **product frequency**.
- From the green (Product\_ID: 3619) and brown (Product\_ID: 3372) we can conclusively say most profitable product is the most frequent one and vice versa.

## Most Common Pet



# Customer Segment

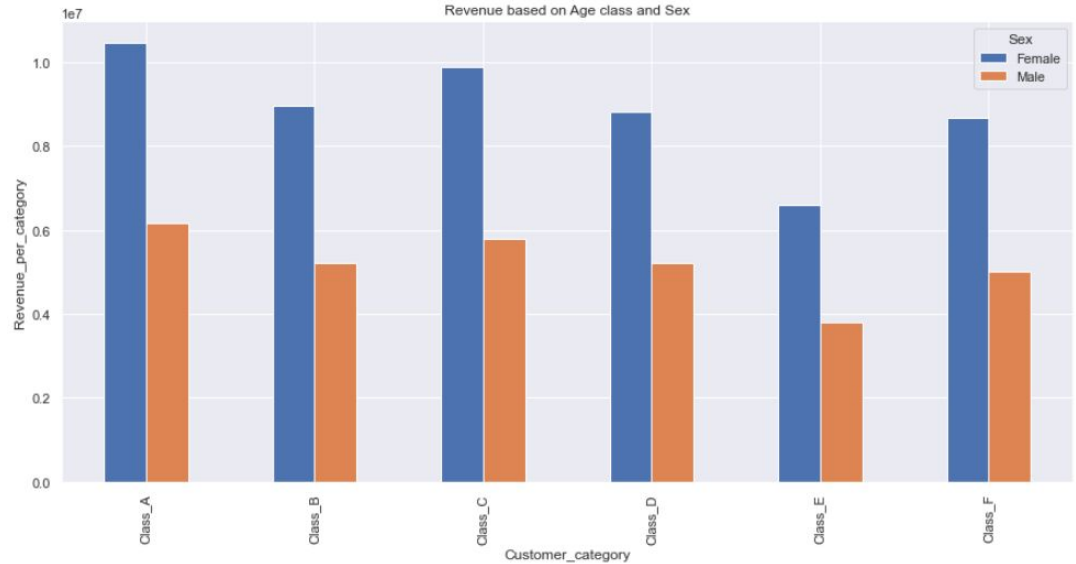
Research Question: From the distribution of customers age, can we predict the age group of our customers given the details of their purchase history.



# Profitable Customer Segment

Customer Segments (chosen intervals are based on the distribution)

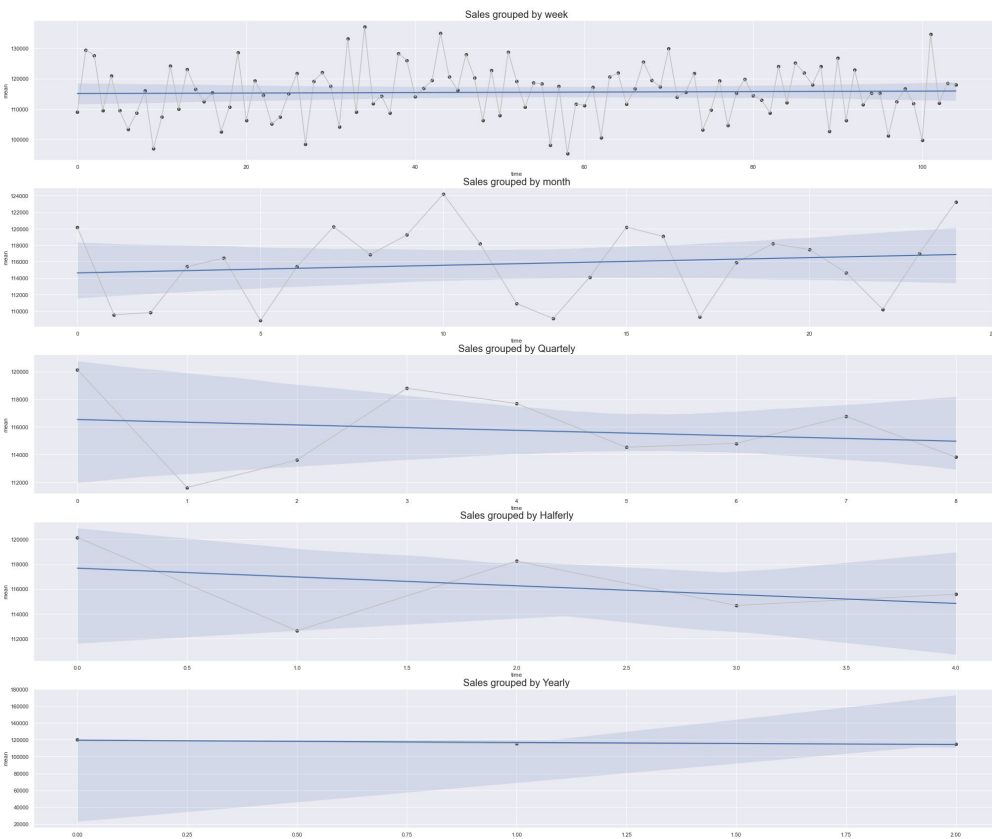
- Class\_A - Age below 35 Years
- Class\_B - Age between 35 - 40 Years
- Class\_C - Age between 40 - 45 Years
- Class\_D - Age between 45 - 50 Years
- Class\_E - Age between 50 - 55 Years
- Class\_F - Above 55 Years



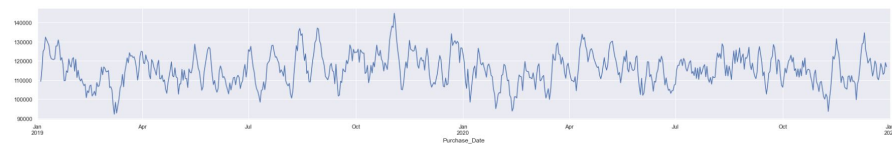
**Female** and **Male** customers with age **below 35** are the **most profitable** customer group for Fressnapf

# Trend Determination

Grouped Revenue: Trend (Blue line), Rolling mean (Grey line).



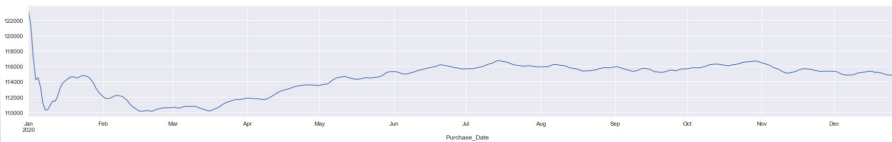
Trend component 2019 - 2020



Trend component 2019



Trend component 2020



# Churn Rate

- Churn Rate - Expressed as percentage of customers stopped purchasing from Fressnapf after a specific time period.
- Churn rate = (number of lost customers / total amount of customers) \* 100 \*
- For example if fressnapf loses 10 customers from a 1500 customer base, the churn rate would be  $(10/1500)*100 = 66\%$ .
- Actual churn rate from the given dataset

Year and Window	Churn rate
Y - 2019, W - 90 days	23.47 %
Y - 2020, W - 90 days	25.49 %



# Model Development - Customer Segmentation

## 1. Segmentation Types

- a. Target - 1: Customers are grouped by the Age group (Class\_A to Class\_F)
- b. Target - 2: Customers are grouped by the gender (Male, Female)

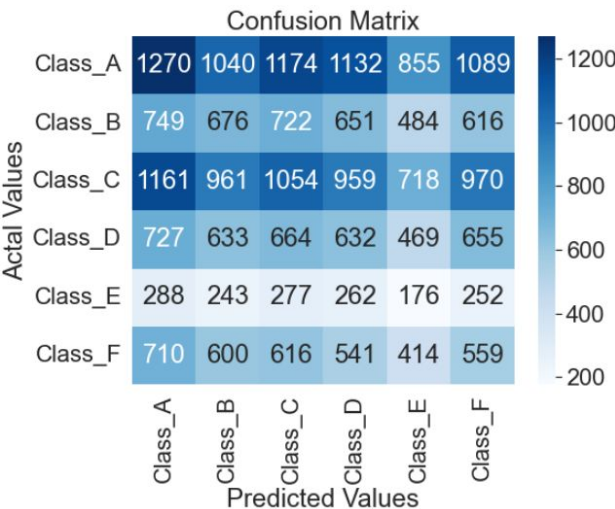
## 2. Feature Engineering

- a. Number of Transactions per customer for the period 2019 - 2020 (MinMax Scaling)
- b. Transaction amount per customer (Power Transformation)
- c. Number of Transactions per customer per channel (MinMax Scaling)
- d. Transaction amount per customer per channel (Power Transformation)
- e. Category encoding of product Category\_type
- f. Category encoding of product Animal group
- g. Day of the week (Monday - Sunday) encoding of Purchase\_date
- h. Standard deviation of purchase interval per customer (MinMax Scaling)
- i. Average purchase quantity per transaction (MinMax Scaling)



## Results: Target - 1 – Age Group (Class\_A to Class\_F)

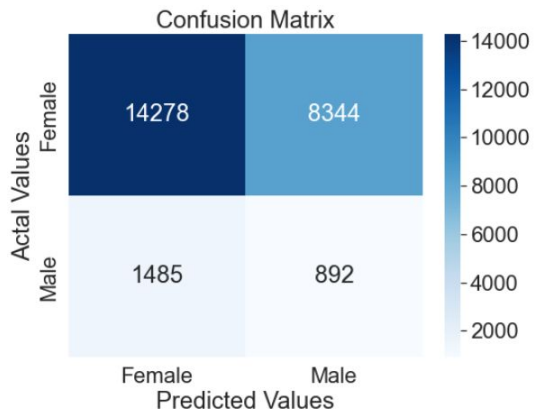
- Accuracy - 17.5 %
- F1 - Score (Macro Avg) - 16 %
- Confusion Matrix



- Reason - Underfitting. The features provided cannot be used for segmenting the customers by their Age group

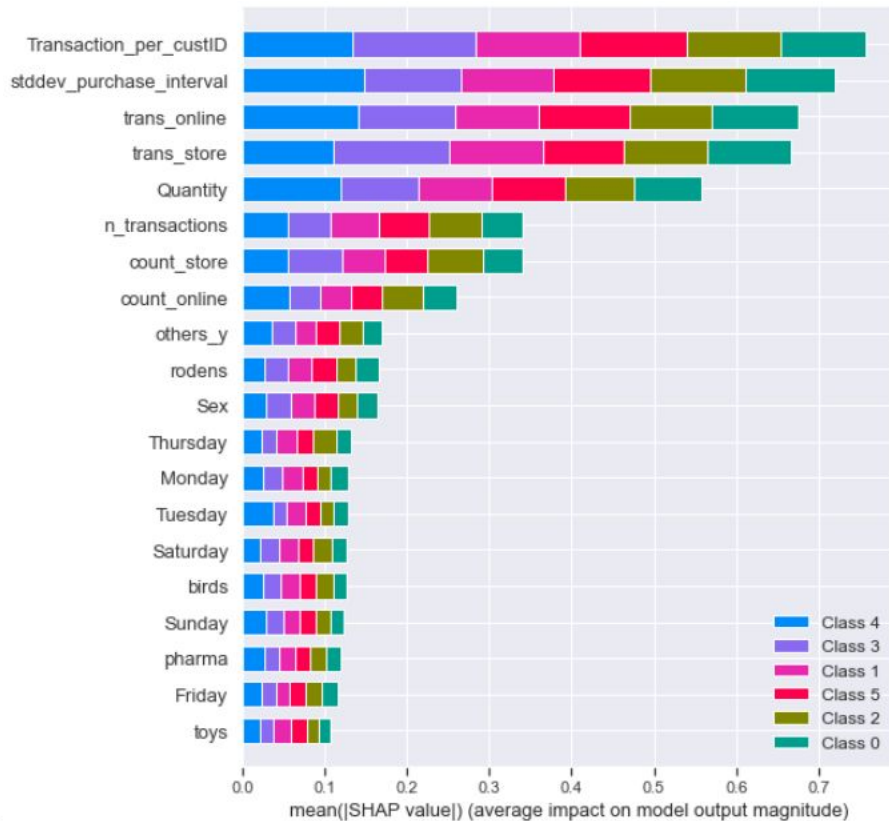
## Results: Target - 2 – Gender (Male and Female)

- Accuracy - 61 %
- F1 - Score (Weighted Avg) - 70 %
- Confusion Matrix



- Reason - Partially underfitting. The generated features have high correlation between them.
- More features that distinctly represent the gender of the customer has to explored.

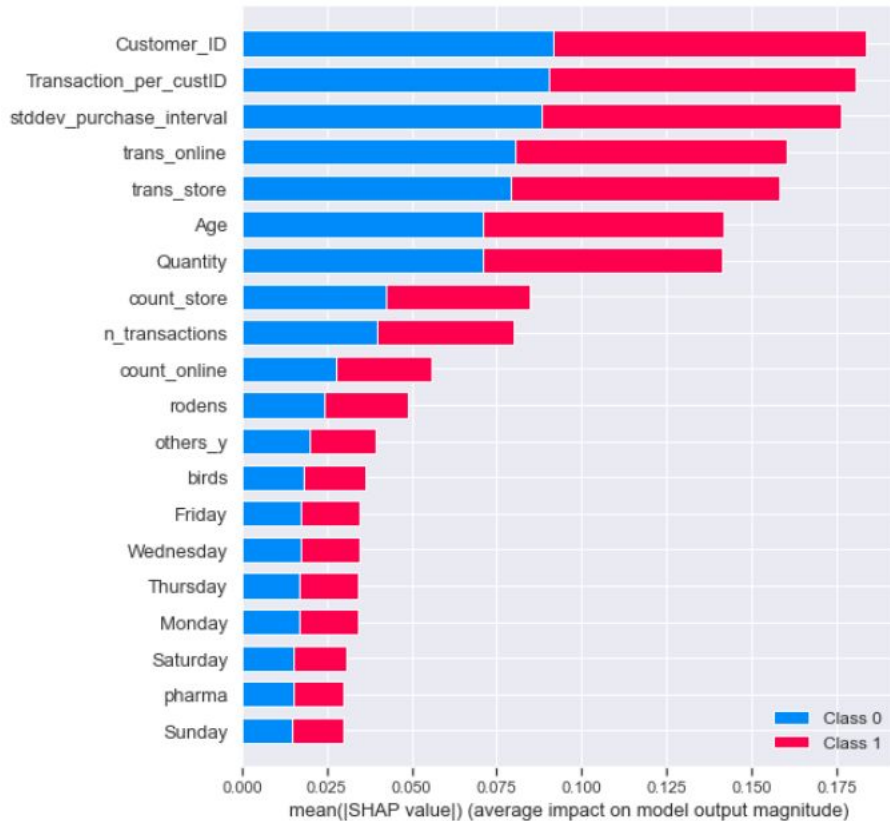
# Feature Importance and Contribution - Target 1 – Age Group Segmentation



- Food category, Animal group and Purchase day of the week are insignificant and less utilized by the model.
- Top 8 features share the impact (SHAP value) on the model output (Class) equally.
- Features specific to each class has to be explored for increasing the model performance.

**Note** - For SHAP summary plot per class and per sample check the notebook.

## Feature Importance and Contribution - Target 2 – Gender Segmentation



- Except Purchase day of the week all other drafted features are significant.
- Positive: Differentiation of the boundaries between gender class is different for each feature.
- More customer data should be converted to usable features which will consequently improve the model performance.

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## Project Value to Fressnapf

- The **Customer Segmentation** on **Gender** shows noteworthy results which can be further pursued to improve the performance of the machine learning algorithm.
- The output of a similar project on segmenting customer on different basis can be utilized to:
  - Dynamic strategies and campaigns for the dominant customer group
  - Increase ROAS by directing the marketing funding to the specific group
  - Behaviour analysis of different customer group
  - Personalized product recommendation based on the group
  - Higher customer retention and reduction in churn rate therefore higher revenue generation
  - Directed and precise customer acquisition



# Cloud Infrastructure Requirement

## Problems

- No enough CPU cores to parallelize the GridSearch and Bayesian Optimization algorithm.
- Slower computation of SHAP values due to large dataset of > 90000 rows. Exponential increase in computation time with increase in drafted features.
- ELT (Extract, Load and Transform) operations are computationally expensive with limited memory and processing power.



# Cloud Infrastructure Requirement

- Minimum infrastructure requirement – Certain selection criteria are to be considered based
  - Access pattern, Access type, File size, Concurrency
- Data collection - Distributed cloud infrastructure (eg: BigQuery) for querying and processing of customer data and product meta data.
- Data preparation (Anomaly detection, data normalization and labelling) - General purpose CPUs (E2 series, 2-32 vCPUs)
- Quick testing and development (AI platform) - C2 compute-optimized
- ML, DL training and inference - HPC (eg: n1-highmem-16 (16 vCPUs, 104 GB RAM))



# Productionization Requirements for Customer Segmentation

- Model Serving
  - *Online prediction service* – Kubernetes Cluster with minimum 6 vCPU and maximum 10 vCPU, memory of 8 to 12 GB, compute optimized C2 machine series, autoscaled nodes from minimum 4 to maximum 10. Persistent volume of 1 GiB.
  - *Offline batch processing* – Virtual machines with 4 to 8 vCPU with memory of 8 GB.
- Feature store - The customer data is prone to drift based on the changes in purchase behaviour therefore features have to be computed and stored for the iterative model training.
- Docker, Artifacts, Model and Source code registry on cloud environment for performance tracking and monitoring.
- Kubeflow or mlflow for MLOps process.





# THANK YOU

