ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENT 1

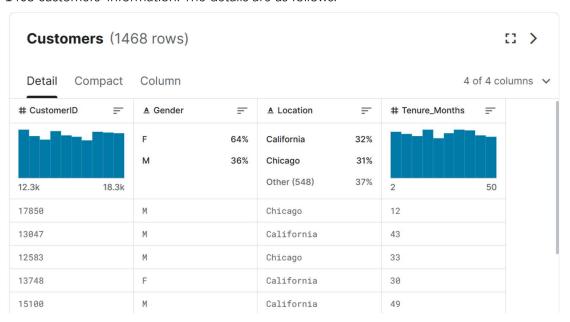
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1. Dataset Description

I found two datasets of customer transactions from an e-commerce company on Kaggle: CustomersData.xlsx and Online_Sales.csv.

Marketing Insights for E-Commerce Company (kaggle.com)

CustomersData.xlsx has 4 columns: CustomerID, Gender, Location, and Tenure_Months, and 1468 customers' information. The details are as follows:



Online_Sales.csv contains actual orders data (point of Sales data) at transaction level with below variables.

CustomerID: Customer unique ID
Transaction_ID: Transaction Unique ID
Transaction_Date: Date of Transaction

Product_SKU: SKU ID – Unique Id for product Product_Description: Product Description Product_Cateogry: Product Category Quantity: Number of items ordered Avg_Price: Price per one quantity Delivery_Charges: Charges for delivery

Coupon_Status: Any discount coupon applied

This dataset has 52924 rows, the details are as follows:

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2. Objectives

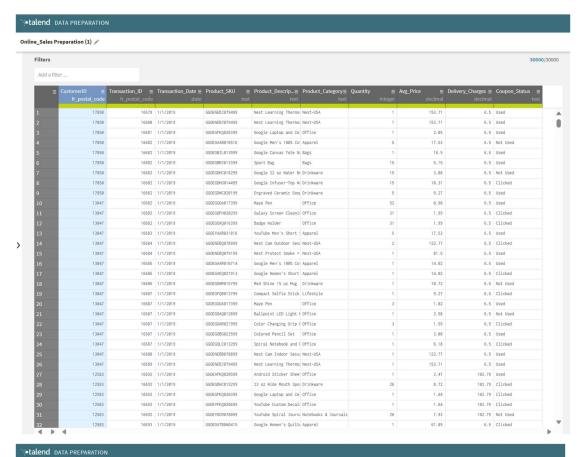
Customer value is the total value that a customer contributes to the company in the whole life cycle of its interaction with the company. Customer value is usually related to the number of purchases a customer makes, the purchase amount, tenure months, etc. And it is a common practice to assess the value of a customer by the amount he spends in a year.

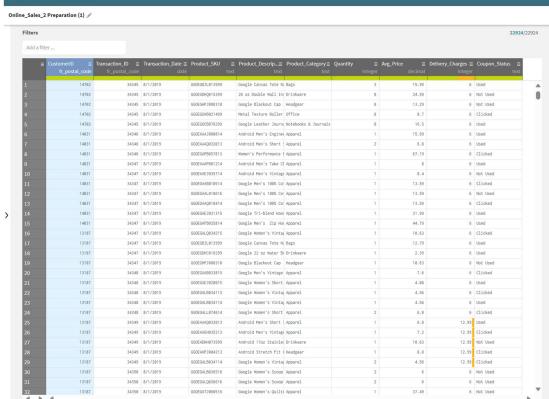
Based on this business metric, the main objective is to analyze the total spent by each customer in 2019, which is divided into 3 tasks:

- To calculate total spent by each customer in 2019, and bin the data into different categories based on the distribution of total spent range in 1468 customers.
- Build classification model of customers' total spent range.
- Evaluate the result and compare the performance of different algorithms.

3. Data Preprocessing Using Talend Data Preparation

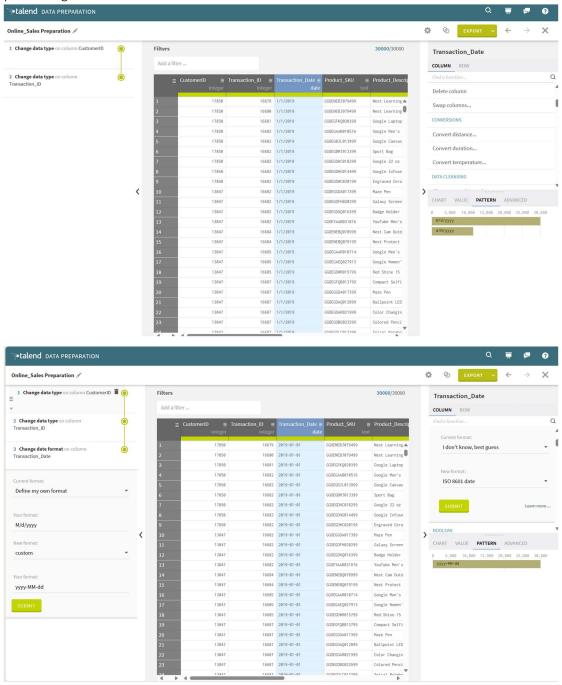
The original Online_Sales.csv dataset has 52924 rows while Talend Data Preparation can only access 30000 rows at most, so I split the dataset into two files, one with 30000 rows and the other with 22924 rows, as shown below:



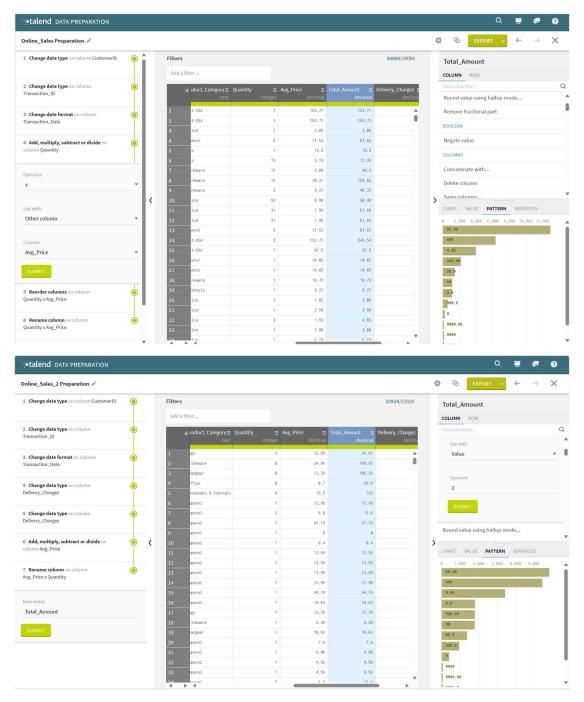


To make the data type more accurate and convenient for subsequent processing, I change the data type of CustomerID, Transaction_ID into integer, and Delivery_Charges into decimal.

In addition, the format of the Transaction_Date is not uniform, some shows 'M/d/yyyy', the others show 'd/M/yyyy', so I change the date format into 'yyyy-MM-dd' for subsequent processing:

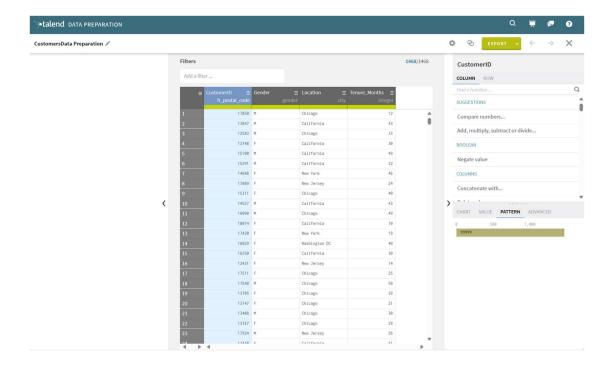


For subsequent analysis, I calculate the 'Total_Amount' spent on each transaction using 'Quantity' mutyplies 'Avg_Price', and rename the new column as 'Total_Amount'.



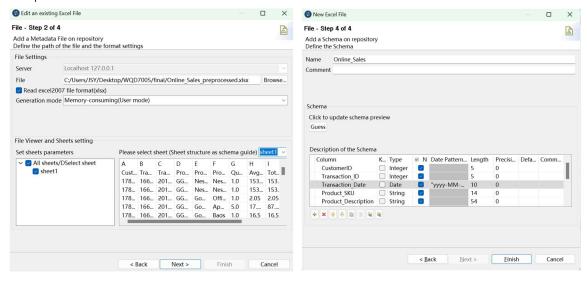
After preprocessing, the two splitted sets of Online_Sales.csv file are cleaned and then combined as Online_Sales_preprocessed.xlsx.

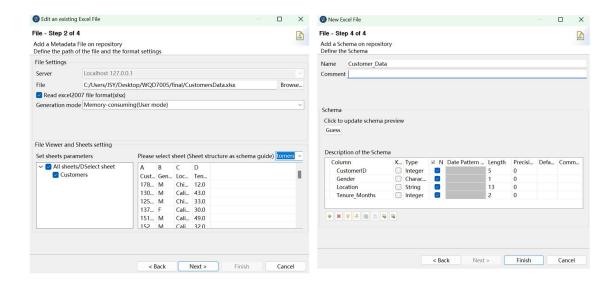
The original CustomerData.xlsx file is as follows, there are no missing value or invalid value at all, and it need no more preprocessing:



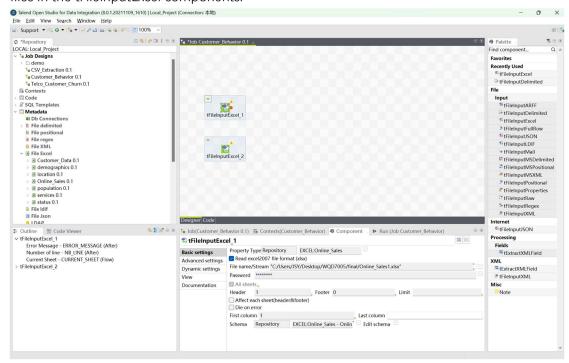
4. Data Integration Using Talend Open Studio for Data Integration:

Import CustomerData.xlsx and Online_Sales_preprocessed.xlsx, and justify the data pattern:

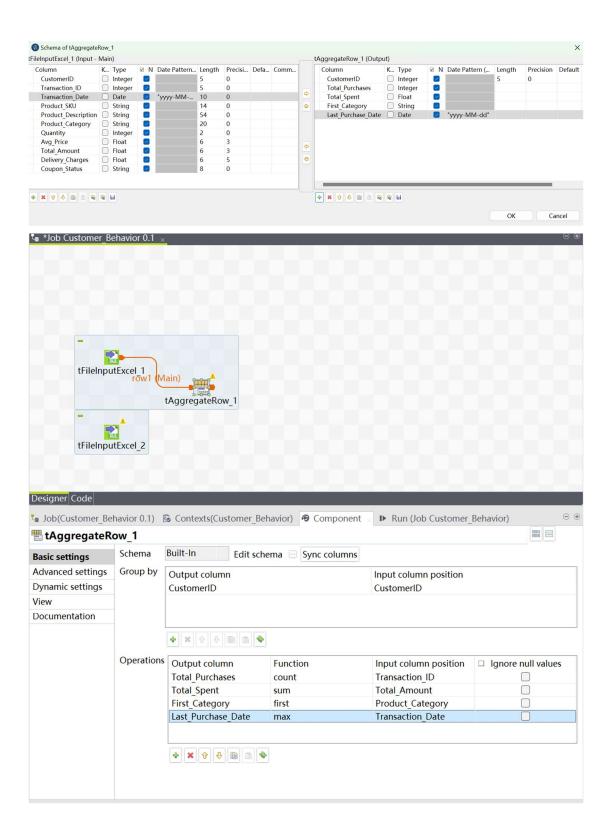




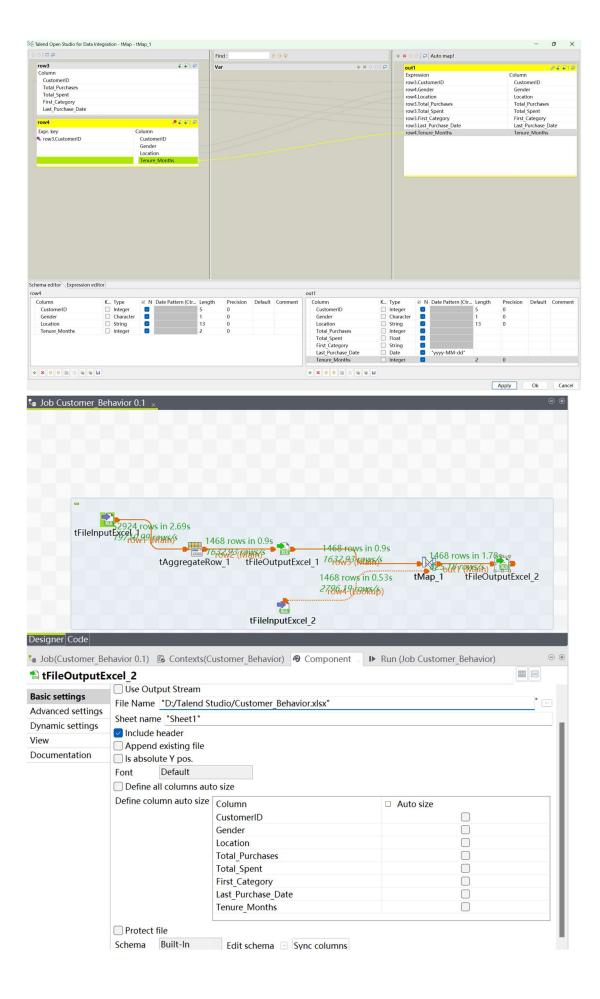
Create a new job named 'Customer_Behavior' and load Online_Sales and Customer_Data files in the tFileInputExcel components:



Add columns of Total_Purchases, Total_Spent, First_Category, Last_Purchased_Date, and get these data from count of TransactionID, sum of Total_Amount, first of Product_Category, and max of Transaction_Data, separately using Operations in tAggregateRow component:



Join the output of Aggregation and the CustomerData file using tMap component, and run the whole working process, then we get one combined dataset named Customer_Behavior.xlsx, having 8 columns of CustomerID, Gender, Location, Total_Purchases, Total_Spent, First_Category, Last_Purchased_Date, and Tenure_Months, with 1468 customers' rows.



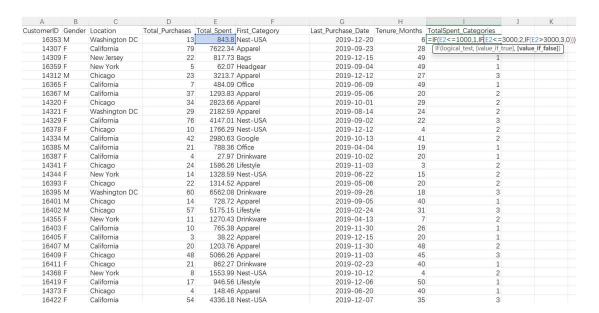
5. Data Analyticis Using SAS Enterprise Miner

5.1 Data preparation

Before data analytics, 'Total_spent' by customers need to be binned into different categories. Here I use Excel as it's simple and clear for binning.

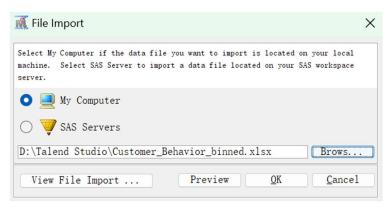
The Total_Spent of 1468 rows are distributed as follows, so I divide them into three categories based on the range:

Total Spent Range	Number of customers	Category
≤ 1000	507	1
1000 < , ≤ 3000	470	2
> 3000	491	3

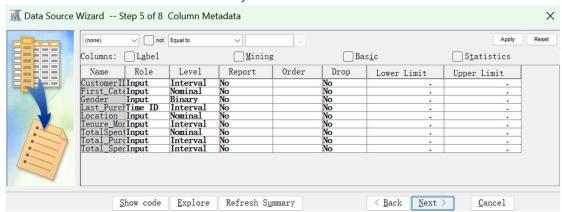


The binned dataset is saved as Customer_Behavior_binned.xlsx.

Then I import the file in SAS Enterprise Miner:



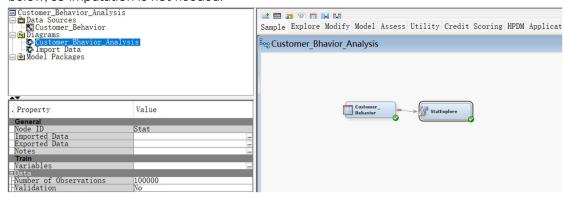
The column metadata auto-classified by SAS is as follows:



After manual reclassification of roles and levels, column metadata is as follows:

Name 🛆	Role	Level	Report	Order	Drop	Lower Limi
CustomerID	ID	Interval	No		No	
First_Category	Input	Nominal	No		No	
Gender	Input	Binary	No		No	
Last_Purchase_Date	Input	Interval	No		No	
Location	Input	Nominal	No		No	
Tenure_Months	Input	Interval	No		No	
Total_Purchases	Input	Interval	No		No	
Total_Spent	Rejected	Interval	No		No	
TotalSpent_Categories	Target	Nominal	No		No	

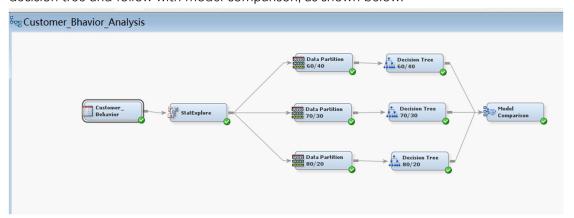
Identify missing value using StatExplore, and there is no missing value at all as shown below, so imputation is not needed.



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TRAIN	First_Catego	ry	INPUT	19	0	Apparel	34.47	Nest-USA	27.11		
TRAIN	Gender		INPUT	2	0	F	63.62	М	36.38		
TRAIN	Location		INPUT	5	0	California	31.61	Chicago	31.06		
TRAIN	TotalSpent_C	ategories	TARGET	3	0	1	34.54	3	33. 45		
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TRAIN	TotalSpent_C	ategories	TARGET	3	491	33.4469					
TRAIN	TotalSpent_C	ategories	TARGET	2	470	32.0163					
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Tenure_	Months	INPUT	25.91213	13.95967	1468	0	2	26	50	-0.00265	-1.16852
Total_P	urchases	INPUT	36.05177	50.88568	1468	0	1	21	695	5. 784595	53.62543

5.2 Decision Tree Analysis

Split dataset using Data Partition tool into 60% train set, 40% validation set; 70% train set, 30% validation set; and 80% train set, 20% validation set, separately. Then connect them to decision tree and follow with model comparison, as shown below.

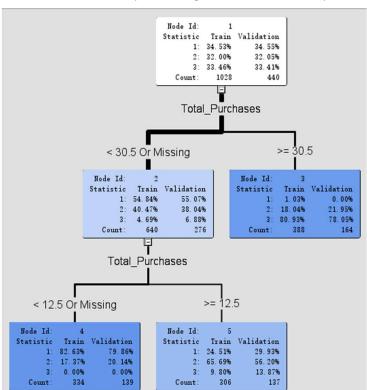


Comparison result is as shown below, the best model is using 70% train set and 30%

validation set, with the lowest Misclassification Rate of 0.28182 in validation.

Fit Statistics Model Selection based on Valid: Misclassification Rate (_VMISC_) Train: Valid: Valid: Average Train: Average Selected Misclassification Squared Misclassification Squared Model Node Model Description Rate Error Rate Error Tree2 Decision Tree 70/30 0.28182 0.11988 0.23054 0.13804 Tree3 Decision Tree 80/20 0.28669 0.10241 0.24340 0.12910 Decision Tree 60/40 0.29302 0.11336 0.21453 0.14455

We select the data splitting ratio of 70:30 for further analysis, and the result is as follows. Based on the dicision tree diagram, the prediction of TotalSpent_Categories is mainly governed by the attributes Total_Purchases after pruning unnecessary branches or attributes that do not provide significant value to the prediction.



Event Classification Table

Data Role=TRAIN Target=TotalSpent_Categories Target Label=TotalSpent_Categories

False	True	False	True
Negative	Negative	Positive	Positive
30	610	74	314

Data Role=VALIDATE Target=TotalSpent_Categories Target Label=TotalSpent_Categories

Based on the confusion matrix, we can calculate the precision, recall, F1-score, accuracy and specificity as follows:

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$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP+FP}$$

•
$$Recall = \frac{TP}{TP+FN}$$

•
$$F1 = \frac{2 \times precision \times recall}{precision + recall}$$

•
$$Accuracy = \frac{TP+TN}{TP+FN+TN+FP}$$

• Specificity =
$$\frac{TN}{TN+FP}$$

Motrico	Decision Tree 70:30				
Metrics	Train	Validate			
Precision	0.809	0.780			
Recall	0.913	0.871			
F1-Score	0.858	0.823			
Accuracy	0.899	0.875			
Specificity	0.892	0.877			

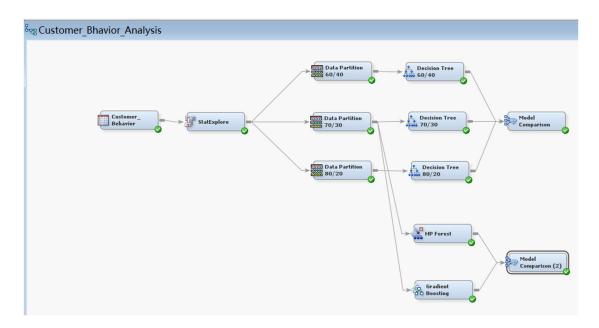
- Discussion:

Precision indicates how many of the samples predicted as positive by the model are true positives. A higher precision indicates that the model is more accurate in predicting positive examples. Recall represents the proportion of actual positive examples successfully captured by the model. A higher recall indicates that the model is better able to identify positive examples. F1-Score combines Precision and Recall and is a measure of the overall performance of the model. It has a trade-off between Precision and Recall. Accuracy represents the overall proportion of correct predictions by the model. A higher accuracy indicates a better overall model performance. Specificity represents the proportion of negative examples that the model successfully predicts. Higher specificity indicates that the model is better able to avoid misclassifying negative examples as positive examples. Taken together, the model performs relatively well on the training and validation sets, with high

accuracy, precision, and recall.

5.3 Ensemble Methods

Using HP Forest as the bagging modelling technique and Gradient Boosting as the boosting modelling technique to predict TotalSpent_Category as follows:



Event Classification Table
Model Selection based on Valid: Misclassification Rate (_VMISC_)

Model Node	Model Description	Data Role	Target	Target Label	False Negative	True Negative	False Positive	True Positive
HPDMForest	HP Forest	TRAIN	TotalSpent_Categories	TotalSpent_Categories	28	622	62	316
HPDMForest	HP Forest	VALIDATE	TotalSpent_Categories	TotalSpent_Categories	19	257	36	128
Boost	Gradient Boosting	TRAIN	TotalSpent_Categories	TotalSpent_Categories	55	648	36	289
Boost	Gradient Boosting	VALIDATE	TotalSpent_Categories	TotalSpent_Categories	28	274	19	119

Based on the confusion matrix, we can calculate the precision, recall, F1-score, accuracy and specificity as follows:

Matrica	HP F	orest	Gradient Boosting		
Metrics	Train	Validate	Train	Validate	
Precision	0.836	0.780	0.889	0.862	
Recall	0.919	0.871	0.840	0.810	
F1-Score	0.875	0.823	0.864	0.835	
Accuracy	0.912	0.875	0.911	0.893	
Specificity	0.909	0.877	0.947	0.935	

- Discussion:

HP Forest and Gradient Boosting has similar performance with high precision, recall, F1-Score, Accuracy, and Specificity. Both perform better than Decision Tree.

6. Business Suggestions

In this case study, the total spent by customers in 2019 can be used to evaluate customer value, which can help companies screen out high-value customers and focus on arranging after-sales and other services, thereby reducing customer churn, and increasing profit margins.

In addition, as shown in the decision tree analysis results, the total spent range classification of customers is mainly related to the number of purchases, so revenue can be improved through the following methods:

Increase the number of promotions, but limit the promotion time, thereby stimulating customers' desire to purchase, increasing the number of customer purchases, and increasing total spent.