# **Problem Statement**

The data scientists at BigMart have collected 2013 sales data for 1559 products across 10 stores in different cities. Also, certain attributes of each product and store have been defined. The aim is to build a predictive model and find out the sales of each product at a particular store.

Using this model, BigMart will try to understand the properties of products and stores which play a key role in increasing sales.

### **Hypothesis Generation**

Make it a practice to do this before solving any ML problem. Ideally, before seeing the data or else, you might end up with biased hypotheses.

What could affect the target variable (sales)?

- 1. Time of week: Weekends usually are more busy
- 2. Time of day: Higher sales in the mornings and late evenings
- 3. Time of year: Higher sales at end of the year
- 4. Store size and location
- 5. Items with more shelf space

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In [1]:
         import numpy as np
         import pandas as pd
         from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
         from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
         from sklearn.metrics import r2_score, mean_squared_error
         from math import sqrt
         %matplotlib inline
In [2]: | train = pd.read_csv('bigmart_train.csv')
In [3]: | train.head(10)
Out[3]:
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In [4]: train.shape
Out[4]: (8523, 12)
In [5]: train.isnull().sum()
Out[5]: Item_Identifier
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         Item_Fat_Content
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         Item_Visibility
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         Item_Type
         Item_MRP
         Outlet_Identifier
         Outlet_Establishment_Year
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         Outlet Size
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         Outlet_Location_Type
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         Outlet_Type
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         Item_Outlet_Sales
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dtype: int64

\*\*learner tasks (intentionally skipped)\*\*

#### **Exploratory Data Analysis**

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1. Univariate analysis on
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A. Target variable - Item outlet sales (histogram)

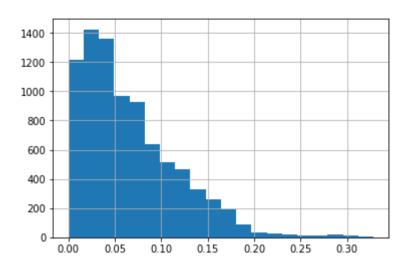
- B. Independent variables (numeric and categorical) histograms
- 2. Bivariate analysis
  - A. Explore IV's with respect to the target variable scatterplots
- 3. Correlation matrix

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In [6]: | train['Item_Fat_Content'].unique()
          #notice Low fat, Low Fat, LF are all the same variable
 Out[6]: array(['Low Fat', 'Regular', 'low fat', 'LF', 'reg'], dtype=object)
 In [7]: | train['Outlet_Establishment_Year'].unique()
 Out[7]: array([1999, 2009, 1998, 1987, 1985, 2002, 2007, 1997, 2004], dtype=int64)
 In [8]: | train['Outlet_Age'] = 2020 - train['Outlet_Establishment_Year']
          train.head()
 Out[8]:
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                                                                      Household
 In [9]: | train['Outlet_Size'].unique()
 Out[9]: array(['Medium', nan, 'High', 'Small'], dtype=object)
In [10]: | train.describe().T
Out[10]:
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In [51]: | train['Item_Fat_Content'].value_counts()
Out[51]: Low Fat
                       5089
                       2889
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                        316
                        117
          reg
          low fat
                     112
          Name: Item_Fat_Content, dtype: int64
In [52]: | train['Outlet_Size'].value_counts()
Out[52]: Medium
                      2793
                      2388
          Small
          High
                      932
          Name: Outlet_Size, dtype: int64
In [53]: train['Outlet_Size'].mode()[0]
Out[53]: 'Medium'
In [54]: | # fill the na for outlet size with medium
          train['Outlet_Size'] = train['Outlet_Size'].fillna(train['Outlet_Size'].mode()[0])
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In [55]: # fill the na for item weight with the mean of weights
train['Item_Weight'] = train['Item_Weight'].fillna(train['Item_Weight'].mean())
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In [56]: train['Item_Visibility'].hist(bins=20)
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Out[56]: <matplotlib.axes.\_subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x211c4feb898>



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In [11]: # delete the observations

Q1 = train['Item_Visibility'].quantile(0.25)
Q3 = train['Item_Visibility'].quantile(0.75)
IQR = Q3 - Q1
filt_train = train.query('(@Q1 - 1.5 * @IQR) <= Item_Visibility <= (@Q3 + 1.5 * @IQR)')</pre>
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In [12]: filt\_train

Out[12]:

	Item_Identifier	Item_Weight	Item_Fat_Content	Item_Visibility	Item_Type	Item_MRP	Outlet_Identifier	Outlet_Establishment_Year	Outlet_Siz€
0	FDA15	9.300	Low Fat	0.016047	Dairy	249.8092	OUT049	1999	Medium
1	DRC01	5.920	Regular	0.019278	Soft Drinks	48.2692	OUT018	2009	Medium
2	FDN15	17.500	Low Fat	0.016760	Meat	141.6180	OUT049	1999	Medium
3	FDX07	19.200	Regular	0.000000	Fruits and Vegetables	182.0950	OUT010	1998	NaN
4	NCD19	8.930	Low Fat	0.000000	Household	53.8614	OUT013	1987	High
5	FDP36	10.395	Regular	0.000000	Baking Goods	51.4008	OUT018	2009	Medium
6	FDO10	13.650	Regular	0.012741	Snack Foods	57.6588	OUT013	1987	High
7	FDP10	NaN	Low Fat	0.127470	Snack Foods	107.7622	OUT027	1985	Medium
8	FDH17	16.200	Regular	0.016687	Frozen Foods	96.9726	OUT045	2002	NaN
9	FDU28	19.200	Regular	0.094450	Frozen Foods	187.8214	OUT017	2007	NaN
10	FDY07	11.800	Low Fat	0.000000	Fruits and Vegetables	45.5402	OUT049	1999	Medium
11	FDA03	18.500	Regular	0.045464	Dairy	144.1102	OUT046	1997	Smal
12	FDX32	15.100	Regular	0.100014	Fruits and Vegetables	145.4786	OUT049	1999	Medium
13	FDS46	17.600	Regular	0.047257	Snack Foods	119.6782	OUT046	1997	Smal
14	FDF32	16.350	Low Fat	0.068024	Fruits and Vegetables	196.4426	OUT013	1987	High
15	FDP49	9.000	Regular	0.069089	Breakfast	56.3614	OUT046	1997	Smal
16	NCB42	11.800	Low Fat	0.008596	Health and Hygiene	115.3492	OUT018	2009	Medium
17	FDP49	9.000	Regular	0.069196	Breakfast	54.3614	OUT049	1999	Medium
18	DRI11	NaN	Low Fat	0.034238	Hard Drinks	113.2834	OUT027	1985	Medium
19	FDU02	13.350	Low Fat	0.102492	Dairy	230.5352	OUT035	2004	Smal
20	FDN22	18.850	Regular	0.138190	Snack Foods	250.8724	OUT013	1987	High
21	FDW12	NaN	Regular	0.035400	Baking Goods	144.5444	OUT027	1985	Medium
22	NCB30	14.600	Low Fat	0.025698	Household	196.5084	OUT035	2004	Smal
23	FDC37	NaN	Low Fat	0.057557	Baking Goods	107.6938	OUT019	1985	Smal
24	FDR28	13.850	Regular	0.025896	Frozen Foods	165.0210	OUT046	1997	Smal
25	NCD06	13.000	Low Fat	0.099887	Household	45.9060	OUT017	2007	NaN
26	FDV10	7.645	Regular	0.066693	Snack Foods	42.3112	OUT035	2004	Smal
27	DRJ59	11.650	low fat	0.019356	Hard Drinks	39.1164	OUT013	1987	High
28	FDE51	5.925	Regular	0.161467	Dairy	45.5086	OUT010	1998	NaN
29	FDC14	NaN	Regular	0.072222	Canned	43.6454	OUT019	1985	Smal
					 Snack				
8492	FDT34	9.300	Low Fat	0.174350	Foods	104.4964	OUT046	1997	Smal
8493	FDP21	7.420	Regular	0.025886	Foods	189.1872	OUT017	2007	NaN
8494	NCI54	15.200	Low Fat	0.000000	Household	110.4912	OUT017	2007	NaN
8495	FDE22	9.695	Low Fat	0.029567	Snack Foods	160.4920	OUT035	2004	Smal
8496	FDJ57	7.420	Regular	0.021696	Seafood	185.3582	OUT017	2007	NaN
8497	FDT08	13.650	Low Fat	0.049209	Fruits and Vegetables	150.0050	OUT035	2004	Smal

_		Item_Identifier	Item_Weight	Item_Fat_Content	Item_Visibility	Item_Type	Item_MRP	Outlet_Identifier	Outlet_Establishment_Year	Outlet_Size
8	3498	NCP54	15.350	Low Fat	0.035293	Household	124.5730	OUT018	2009	Medium
8	3499	NCK53	11.600	Low Fat	0.037574	Health and Hygiene	100.0042	OUT035	2004	Smal
8	3500	NCQ42	20.350	Low Fat	0.000000	Household	125.1678	OUT017	2007	NaN
8	3501	FDW21	5.340	Regular	0.005998	Snack Foods	100.4358	OUT017	2007	NaN
8	3502	NCH43	8.420	Low Fat	0.070712	Household	216.4192	OUT045	2002	NaN
8	3503	FDQ44	20.500	Low Fat	0.036133	Fruits and Vegetables	120.1756	OUT035	2004	Smal
8	3504	NCN18	NaN	Low Fat	0.124111	Household	111.7544	OUT027	1985	Medium
8	3505	FDB46	10.500	Regular	0.094146	Snack Foods	210.8244	OUT018	2009	Medium
8	3506	DRF37	17.250	Low Fat	0.084676	Soft Drinks	263.1910	OUT018	2009	Medium
8	3507	FDN28	5.880	Regular	0.030242	Frozen Foods	101.7990	OUT035	2004	Smal
8	3508	FDW31	11.350	Regular	0.043246	Fruits and Vegetables	199.4742	OUT045	2002	NaN
8	3510	FDN58	13.800	Regular	0.056862	Snack Foods	231.5984	OUT035	2004	Smal
8	3511	FDF05	17.500	Low Fat	0.026980	Frozen Foods	262.5910	OUT018	2009	Medium
8	3512	FDR26	20.700	Low Fat	0.042801	Dairy	178.3028	OUT013	1987	High
8	3513	FDH31	12.000	Regular	0.020407	Meat	99.9042	OUT035	2004	Smal
8	3514	FDA01	15.000	Regular	0.054489	Canned	57.5904	OUT045	2002	NaN
8	3515	FDH24	20.700	Low Fat	0.021518	Baking Goods	157.5288	OUT018	2009	Medium
8	3516	NCJ19	18.600	Low Fat	0.118661	Others	58.7588	OUT018	2009	Medium
8	3517	FDF53	20.750	reg	0.083607	Frozen Foods	178.8318	OUT046	1997	Smal
8	3518	FDF22	6.865	Low Fat	0.056783	Snack Foods	214.5218	OUT013	1987	High
8	3519	FDS36	8.380	Regular	0.046982	Baking Goods	108.1570	OUT045	2002	NaN
8	3520	NCJ29	10.600	Low Fat	0.035186	Health and Hygiene	85.1224	OUT035	2004	Smal
8	3521	FDN46	7.210	Regular	0.145221	Snack Foods	103.1332	OUT018	2009	Medium
8	3522	DRG01	14.800	Low Fat	0.044878	Soft Drinks	75.4670	OUT046	1997	Smal
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<u>_</u>	Item_Identifier	Item_Weight	Item_Fat_Content	Item_Visibility	Item_Type	Item_MRP	Outlet_Identifier	Outlet_Establishment_Year	Outlet_Size	(
C	FDA15	9.30	Low Fat	0.016047	Dairy	249.8092	OUT049	1999	Medium	
1	DRC01	5.92	Regular	0.019278	Soft Drinks	48.2692	OUT018	2009	Medium	
2	FDN15	17.50	Low Fat	0.016760	Meat	141.6180	OUT049	1999	Medium	
3	FDX07	19.20	Regular	0.000000	Fruits and Vegetables	182.0950	OUT010	1998	Medium	
4	NCD19	8.93	Low Fat	0.000000	Household	53.8614	OUT013	1987	High	
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#### **Encoding Categorical Variables**

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In [68]: le = LabelEncoder()
In [69]: | train['Item_Fat_Content'].unique()
Out[69]: array(['Low Fat', 'Regular'], dtype=object)
In [70]: | train['Item_Fat_Content'] = le.fit_transform(train['Item_Fat_Content'])
In [71]: | train['Item_Visibility_bins'] = le.fit_transform(train['Item_Visibility_bins'])
In [72]: | train['Outlet_Size'] = le.fit_transform(train['Outlet_Size'])
In [73]: | train['Outlet_Location_Type'] = le.fit_transform(train['Outlet_Location_Type'])
In [39]: | # create dummies for outlet type
         dummy = pd.get_dummies(train['Outlet_Type'])
In [75]:
          dummy.head()
Out[75]:
             Grocery Store Supermarket Type1 Supermarket Type2 Supermarket Type3
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In [76]: | train = pd.concat([train, dummy], axis=1)
In [77]: | train.dtypes
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Item_Identifier	object
Item_Weight	float64
<pre>Item_Fat_Content</pre>	int32
<pre>Item_Visibility</pre>	float64
<pre>Item_Type</pre>	object
Item_MRP	float64
Outlet_Identifier	object
Outlet_Establishment_Year	int64
Outlet_Size	int32
Outlet_Location_Type	int32
Outlet_Type	object
<pre>Item_Outlet_Sales</pre>	float64
Outlet_Age	int64
<pre>Item_Visibility_bins</pre>	int32
Grocery Store	uint8
Supermarket Type1	uint8
Supermarket Type2	uint8
Supermarket Type3	uint8
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	Item_Weight	Item_Fat_Content	Item_Visibility	Item_MRP	Outlet_Size	Outlet_Location_Type	Item_Outlet_Sales	Outlet_Age	Item_Visibility_bins
0	9.30	0	0.016047	249.8092	1	0	3735.1380	19	1
1	5.92	1	0.019278	48.2692	1	2	443.4228	9	1
2	17.50	0	0.016760	141.6180	1	0	2097.2700	19	1
3	19.20	1	0.000000	182.0950	1	2	732.3800	20	1
4	8.93	0	0.000000	53.8614	0	2	994.7052	31	1
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#### **Linear Regression**

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In [78]: | # build the linear regression model
         X = train.drop('Item_Outlet_Sales', axis=1)
         y = train.Item_Outlet_Sales
In [79]: | test = pd.read_csv('bigmart_test.csv')
         test['Outlet_Size'] = test['Outlet_Size'].fillna('Medium')
In [80]: | test['Item_Visibility_bins'] = pd.cut(test['Item_Visibility'], [0.000, 0.065, 0.13, 0.2], labels=['Low Viz', 'Viz', 'H
         igh Viz'])
In [81]: | test['Item_Weight'] = test['Item_Weight'].fillna(test['Item_Weight'].mean())
In [82]: | test['Item_Visibility_bins'] = test['Item_Visibility_bins'].fillna('Low Viz')
         test['Item_Visibility_bins'].head()
Out[82]: 0
              Low Viz
              Low Viz
                  Viz
         2
              Low Viz
         3
                  Viz
         Name: Item_Visibility_bins, dtype: category
         Categories (3, object): [Low Viz < Viz < High Viz]
In [83]: | test['Item_Fat_Content'] = test['Item_Fat_Content'].replace(['low fat', 'LF'], 'Low Fat')
         test['Item_Fat_Content'] = test['Item_Fat_Content'].replace('reg', 'Regular')
In [84]: | test['Item_Fat_Content'] = le.fit_transform(test['Item_Fat_Content'])
In [85]: | test['Item_Visibility_bins'] = le.fit_transform(test['Item_Visibility_bins'])
In [86]: | test['Outlet_Size'] = le.fit_transform(test['Outlet_Size'])
In [87]: | test['Outlet_Location_Type'] = le.fit_transform(test['Outlet_Location_Type'])
In [88]: | test['Outlet_Age'] = 2020 - test['Outlet_Establishment_Year']
In [89]: | dummy = pd.get_dummies(test['Outlet_Type'])
         test = pd.concat([test, dummy], axis=1)
In [98]: | X_test = test.drop(['Item_Identifier', 'Item_Type', 'Outlet_Identifier', 'Outlet_Type','Outlet_Establishment_Year'], a
         xis=1)
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In [99]: X.columns, X_test.columns
Out[99]: (Index(['Item_Identifier', 'Item_Weight', 'Item_Fat_Content', 'Item_Visibility',
                   'Item_Type', 'Item_MRP', 'Outlet_Identifier',
                   'Outlet_Establishment_Year', 'Outlet_Size', 'Outlet_Location_Type',
                   'Outlet_Type', 'Outlet_Age', 'Item_Visibility_bins', 'Grocery Store',
                   'Supermarket Type1', 'Supermarket Type2', 'Supermarket Type3'],
                 dtype='object'),
           Index(['Item_Weight', 'Item_Fat_Content', 'Item_Visibility', 'Item_MRP',
                   'Outlet_Size', 'Outlet_Location_Type', 'Item_Visibility_bins',
                   'Outlet_Age', 'Grocery Store', 'Supermarket Type1', 'Supermarket Type2',
                   'Supermarket Type3'],
                 dtype='object'))
In [100]: | from sklearn import model_selection
          xtrain,xtest,ytrain,ytest = model_selection.train_test_split(X,y,test_size=0.3,random_state=42)
In [101]: | lin = LinearRegression()
In [103]: |lin.fit(xtrain, ytrain)
          ValueError
                                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
          <ipython-input-103-8faeb3f7dfba> in <module>
          ----> 1 lin.fit(xtrain, ytrain)
          D:\Python\lib\site-packages\sklearn\linear_model\base.py in fit(self, X, y, sample_weight)
              456
                          n_jobs_ = self.n_jobs
              457
                          X, y = check_X_y(X, y, accept_sparse=['csr', 'csc', 'coo'],
          --> 458
                                            y_numeric=True, multi_output=True)
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              460
                           if sample_weight is not None and np.atleast_1d(sample_weight).ndim > 1:
          D:\Python\lib\site-packages\sklearn\utils\validation.py in check_X_y(X, y, accept_sparse, accept_large_sparse, dtype,
          order, copy, force_all_finite, ensure_2d, allow_nd, multi_output, ensure_min_samples, ensure_min_features, y_numeric,
          warn_on_dtype, estimator)
              754
                                       ensure_min_features=ensure_min_features,
              755
                                      warn_on_dtype=warn_on_dtype,
          --> 756
                                       estimator=estimator)
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                      if multi_output:
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                          y = check_array(y, 'csr', force_all_finite=True, ensure_2d=False,
          D:\Python\lib\site-packages\sklearn\utils\validation.py in check_array(array, accept_sparse, accept_large_sparse, dty
          pe, order, copy, force_all_finite, ensure_2d, allow_nd, ensure_min_samples, ensure_min_features, warn_on_dtype, estim
          ator)
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                           # make sure we actually converted to numeric:
              566
                          if dtype_numeric and array.dtype.kind == "0":
                               array = array.astype(np.float64)
          --> 567
              568
                          if not allow_nd and array.ndim >= 3:
                               raise ValueError("Found array with dim %d. %s expected <= 2."
              569
          ValueError: could not convert string to float: 'DRE49'
In [72]: | predictions = lin.predict(xtest)
          print(sqrt(mean_squared_error(ytest, predictions)))
```

1353.3824567853526

## A good RMSE for this problem is atleast 1150.

Try using Ridge, Lasso, ElasticNet, and compare the RMSE scores. You can try Gradient boosting too.

### Lesson 08: Ensemble learning is about xgboost

Once you have learnt the XGboost techniques, come back and re-work on this problem. XGBOOST will give the lowest RMSE.

```
In [59]: from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge
    ridgeReg = Ridge(alpha=0.001, normalize=True)
    ridgeReg.fit(xtrain,ytrain)
    print(sqrt(mean_squared_error(ytrain, ridgeReg.predict(xtrain))))
    print(sqrt(mean_squared_error(ytest, ridgeReg.predict(xtest))))
    print('R2 Value/Coefficient of Determination: {}'.format(ridgeReg.score(xtest, ytest)))

1139.5277714448032
    1118.3593685856831
    R2 Value/Coefficient of Determination: 0.548659756640925
```

```
In [73]: | from sklearn.linear_model import Lasso
         lassoreg = Lasso(alpha=0.001, normalize=True)
         lassoreg.fit(xtrain, ytrain)
         print(sqrt(mean_squared_error(ytrain, lassoreg.predict(xtrain))))
         print(sqrt(mean_squared_error(ytest, lassoreg.predict(xtest))))
         print('R2 Value/Coefficient of Determination: {}'.format(lassoreg.score(xtest, ytest)))
         1380.366905556028
         1353.3760424120942
         R2 Value/Coefficient of Determination: 0.3390352983965016
In [74]: from sklearn.linear_model import ElasticNet
         Elas = ElasticNet(alpha=0.001, normalize=True)
         Elas.fit(xtrain, ytrain)
         print(sqrt(mean_squared_error(ytrain, Elas.predict(xtrain))))
         print(sqrt(mean_squared_error(ytest, Elas.predict(xtest))))
         print('R2 Value/Coefficient of Determination: {}'.format(Elas.score(xtest, ytest)))
         1576.152560123294
         1529.8250146583991
         R2 Value/Coefficient of Determination: 0.15545107363331978
 In [ ]:
```