

## tail-strategy-and-analytics-task-2

April 10, 2024

```
[42]: # Import library
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pandas as pd
import datetime
from scipy import stats
```

```
[43]: # Import data
df= pd.read_csv('/content/QVI_data.csv')
```

```
[44]: df.head()
```

```
[44]:  LYLTY_CARD_NBR      DATE  STORE_NBR  TXN_ID  PROD_NBR  \
0           1000  2018-10-17           1         1         5
1           1002  2018-09-16           1         2        58
2           1003  2019-03-07           1         3        52
3           1003  2019-03-08           1         4       106
4           1004  2018-11-02           1         5        96

      PROD_NAME  PROD_QTY  TOT_SALES  PACK_SIZE  \
0  Natural Chip    Compny SeaSalt175g         2         6.0        175
1  Red Rock Deli Chikn&Garlic Aioli 150g         1         2.7        150
2  Grain Waves Sour    Cream&Chives 210G         1         3.6        210
3  Natural ChipCo    Hony Soy Chckn175g         1         3.0        175
4      WW Original Stacked Chips 160g         1         1.9        160

      BRAND      LIFESTAGE  PREMIUM_CUSTOMER
0  NATURAL  YOUNG  SINGLES/COUPLES      Premium
1    RRD  YOUNG  SINGLES/COUPLES      Mainstream
2  GRNWVES      YOUNG  FAMILIES      Budget
3  NATURAL      YOUNG  FAMILIES      Budget
4  WOOLWORTHS  OLDER  SINGLES/COUPLES      Mainstream
```

The client has selected store numbers 77, 86 and 88 as trial stores with a trial period of Feb 2019 to April 2019. The client also wants control stores to be established stores that are operational for the entire observation period.

We would want to match trial stores to control stores that are similar to the trial store prior to the

trial period of Feb 2019 in terms of:

- Monthly overall sales revenue
- Monthly number of customers
- Monthly number of transactions per customer

To choose the control stores, we will create the metrics of interest and filter to stores that are present throughout the pre-trial period.

First, we want to add a column with the year/month of the transaction.

```
[45]: # Change DATE column to store dates as datetimes
df.DATE = pd.to_datetime(df.DATE)

# Add a YEARMONTH column
df['YEARMONTH'] = df.DATE.dt.strftime('%Y%m').astype('int64')
df
```

```
[45]:
```

	LYLTY_CARD_NBR	DATE	STORE_NBR	TXN_ID	PROD_NBR	\
0	1000	2018-10-17	1	1	5	
1	1002	2018-09-16	1	2	58	
2	1003	2019-03-07	1	3	52	
3	1003	2019-03-08	1	4	106	
4	1004	2018-11-02	1	5	96	
...	...	...	...	...	...	
264829	2370701	2018-12-08	88	240378	24	
264830	2370751	2018-10-01	88	240394	60	
264831	2370961	2018-10-24	88	240480	70	
264832	2370961	2018-10-27	88	240481	65	
264833	2373711	2018-12-14	88	241815	16	

		PROD_NAME	PROD_QTY	TOT_SALES	\
0	Natural Chip	Compny SeaSalt175g	2	6.0	
1	Red Rock Deli Chikn&Garlic Aioli	150g	1	2.7	
2	Grain Waves Sour Cream&Chives	210G	1	3.6	
3	Natural ChipCo Hony Soy Chckn	175g	1	3.0	
4	WW Original Stacked Chips	160g	1	1.9	
...	...	...	...	...	
264829	Grain Waves	Sweet Chilli 210g	2	7.2	
264830	Kettle Tortilla ChpsFeta&Garlic	150g	2	9.2	
264831	Tyrrells Crisps	Lightly Salted 165g	2	8.4	
264832	Old El Paso Salsa Dip Chnky Tom Ht	300g	2	10.2	
264833	Smiths Crinkle Chips Salt & Vinegar	330g	2	11.4	

	PACK_SIZE	BRAND	LIFESTAGE	PREMIUM_CUSTOMER	\
0	175	NATURAL	YOUNG SINGLES/COUPLES	Premium	
1	150	RRD	YOUNG SINGLES/COUPLES	Mainstream	
2	210	GRNWVES	YOUNG FAMILIES	Budget	
3	175	NATURAL	YOUNG FAMILIES	Budget	

4	160	WOOLWORTHS	OLDER SINGLES/COUPLES	Mainstream
...	...	...	...	...
264829	210	GRNWVES	YOUNG FAMILIES	Mainstream
264830	150	KETTLE	YOUNG FAMILIES	Premium
264831	165	TYRRELLS	OLDER FAMILIES	Budget
264832	300	OLD	OLDER FAMILIES	Budget
264833	330	SMITHS	YOUNG SINGLES/COUPLES	Mainstream

	YEARMONTH
0	201810
1	201809
2	201903
3	201903
4	201811
...	...
264829	201812
264830	201810
264831	201810
264832	201810
264833	201812

[264834 rows x 13 columns]

Next, we want to create a function that will be able to calculate the total sales, number of customers, transactions per customer, chips per customer and the average price per unit for each store and month.

```
[46]: # Define the metrics and calculate that
df_group = df.groupby(['STORE_NBR', 'YEARMONTH'])
total_sales = df_group.TOT_SALES.sum()
cust = df_group.LYLTY_CARD_NBR.nunique()
trans_per_cust = df_group.TXN_ID.size()/cust
chips_per_trans = df_group.PROD_QTY.sum()/df_group.TXN_ID.size()
avg_price_per_unit = total_sales/df_group.PROD_QTY.sum()

# Make an array for the metrics
metric_array = [total_sales, cust, trans_per_cust, chips_per_trans,
               ↪ avg_price_per_unit]

# Create metrics table
df_metrics = pd.concat(metric_array, axis=1)

# Make the columns labels
df_metrics.columns = ['total_sales', 'cust', 'trans_per_cust',
                     ↪ 'chips_per_trans', 'avg_price_per_unit']
df_metrics = df_metrics.reset_index()
```

```
[47]: # Filter to select the stores
count_month = df_metrics.groupby('STORE_NBR').YEARMONTH.nunique().reset_index()
stores_obs = count_month[count_month.YEARMONTH == 12].STORE_NBR
pre_metrics = df_metrics[df_metrics['STORE_NBR'].isin(stores_obs)]

# Filter to keep only pre-trial period data
pre_metrics = pre_metrics.loc[pre_metrics.YEARMONTH < 201902]
pre_metrics
```

```
[47]:
```

	STORE_NBR	YEARMONTH	total_sales	cust	trans_per_cust \
0	1	201807	206.9	49	1.061224
1	1	201808	176.1	42	1.023810
2	1	201809	278.8	59	1.050847
3	1	201810	188.1	44	1.022727
4	1	201811	192.6	46	1.021739
...	...	...	...	...	...
3159	272	201809	304.7	32	1.125000
3160	272	201810	430.6	44	1.159091
3161	272	201811	376.2	41	1.097561
3162	272	201812	403.9	47	1.000000
3163	272	201901	423.0	46	1.086957

	chips_per_trans	avg_price_per_unit
0	1.192308	3.337097
1	1.255814	3.261111
2	1.209677	3.717333
3	1.288889	3.243103
4	1.212766	3.378947
...	...	...
3159	1.972222	4.291549
3160	1.941176	4.349495
3161	1.933333	4.324138
3162	1.893617	4.538202
3163	1.920000	4.406250

[1820 rows x 7 columns]

Now we need to work out a way of ranking how similar each potential control store is to the trial store. We can calculate how correlated the performance of each potential control store is to the trial store.

```
[48]: # Make a function to calculate between a trial store and all possible control
      ↪ stores
# Input :
# trial (int)= the trial store to test
# metric_col (str) = the label of the metric column to correlate
```

```

# input_table (df) = the full data table of metrics to obtain the correlation
↪with
#Output :
# corr_table (df) = a dataframe with the year-moth, trial store, control
↪store and, correlation

```

```

[49]: def calc_corr(trial, metric_col, input_table = pre_metrics):
    trial_stores = [77, 86, 88]
    control_stores = stores_obs[~stores_obs.isin(trial_stores)] # all stores
    ↪but trial stores
    # Keep the trial store values to perform correlation with
    trial_vals = input_table[input_table["STORE_NBR"] == trial][metric_col].
    ↪reset_index()
    corr_table = pd.DataFrame(columns = ['YEARMONTH', 'trial_store',
    ↪'control_store', 'correlation'])
    # Find the correlation for each control store
    for control in control_stores:
        # Keep the control store values to perform correlation with
        control_vals = input_table[input_table["STORE_NBR"] ==
    ↪control][metric_col].reset_index()
        corr_row = pd.DataFrame(columns = ['YEARMONTH', 'trial_store',
    ↪'control_store', 'correlation'])
        corr_row.YEARMONTH = list(input_table.loc[input_table.STORE_NBR ==
    ↪control]["YEARMONTH"])
        corr_row.trial_store = trial
        corr_row.control_store = control
        corr_row.correlation = control_vals.corrwith(trial_vals, axis=1)
        corr_table = pd.concat([corr_table, corr_row]) # add each store's block
    ↪to the dataframe
    return (corr_table)

```

```

[50]: trial_stores = [77, 86, 88]
corr_table = pd.DataFrame(columns = ['YEARMONTH', 'trial_store',
    ↪'control_store', 'correlation'])
for store in trial_stores:
    corr_section = calc_corr(store, ['total_sales', 'cust', 'trans_per_cust',
    ↪'chips_per_trans', 'avg_price_per_unit'] )
    corr_table = pd.concat([corr_table, corr_section])

```

```

[51]: corr_table

```

```

[51]:  YEARMONTH trial_store control_store correlation
0      201807           77             1      0.070544
1      201808           77             1      0.027332
2      201809           77             1      0.002472
3      201810           77             1     -0.019991

```

4	201811	77	1	0.030094
..	...	...	...	...
2	201809	88	272	0.533160
3	201810	88	272	0.591056
4	201811	88	272	0.566378
5	201812	88	272	0.594442
6	201901	88	272	0.621775

[5397 rows x 4 columns]

Apart from correlation, we can also calculate a standardised metric based on the absolute difference between the trial store's performance and each control store's performance.

Let's write a function for this.

```
[52]: # Write a function to calculate the normalised distance magnitude between a
      ↪ trial store and all possible control stores
      # Inputs:
      # trial (int) : the trial store to test
      # metric_col (str) : the label of the metric column to correlate
      # input_table (df) : the full data table of metrics to obtain the
      ↪ correlations with
      # Output:
      # corr_table (df) : a data frame with the year-month, trial store, control
      ↪ store and their normalised distance

def calc_magdist(trial, metric_col, input_table = pre_metrics):
    trial_stores = [77, 86, 88]
    control_stores = stores_obs[~stores_obs.isin(trial_stores)] # all stores
    ↪ but the trials
    dist_table = pd.DataFrame() # to store the distances for each store and
    ↪ month
    for control in control_stores: # calculate for each control store
        dist_row = pd.DataFrame()
        # Calculate the distance as an absolute value
        dist_row = abs(input_table[input_table["STORE_NBR"] == trial].
        ↪ reset_index()[metric_col]\
                        - input_table[input_table["STORE_NBR"] == control].
        ↪ reset_index()[metric_col])
        dist_row.insert(0, 'YEARMONTH', list(input_table.loc[input_table.
        ↪ STORE_NBR == trial]["YEARMONTH"]))
        dist_row.insert(1, 'trial_store', trial)
        dist_row.insert(2, 'control_store', control)
        dist_table = pd.concat([dist_table, dist_row])

    for col in metric_col: # then loop over each column to find the max and min
    ↪ distances to normalise
```

```

        maxdist = dist_table[col].max()
        mindist = dist_table[col].min()
        dist_table[col] = 1-(dist_table[col] - mindist)/(maxdist-mindist) #
    ↪normalised distance measure
        # also give an average magnitude over all metrics per month and store
    ↪pair
        dist_table['mag_measure'] = dist_table[metric_col].mean(axis=1)
    ↪return (dist_table)

```

Now let's use the functions to find the control stores! We'll select control stores based on how similar monthly total sales in dollar amounts and monthly number of customers are to the trial stores. So we will need to use our functions to get four scores, two for each of total sales and total customers.

```

[53]: # Write a function to generate a table of averaged correlations, distance and
    ↪scores over the pretrial months for each store
    # Inputs:
        # trial (int) : the trial store to test
        # metric_col (str) : the metric label to calculate the scores for
        # input_table (df) : the data to calculate the scores with in the pre-trial
    ↪period
    # Output:
        # avg_corrmag (df) : a table with the correlations, distance and scores
    ↪averaged over the pretrial months for each store
def calc_corrdist_score (trial, metric_col, input_table=pre_metrics):
    # Calculate the correlations and magnitudes for all months
    corr_vals = calc_corr(trial, metric_col, input_table)
    mag_vals = calc_magdist(trial, metric_col, input_table)
    mag_vals = mag_vals.drop(metric_col, axis=1) # For one metric, the two
    ↪columns will be duplicates so drop one

    # Combine correlations and magnitudes together to one df
    combined_corr_dist = pd.merge(corr_vals, mag_vals, on=["YEARMONTH",
    ↪"trial_store", "control_store"])

    # Average correlations and distances over the pre-trial months
    avg_corrmag = combined_corr_dist.groupby(["trial_store", "control_store"]).
    ↪mean().reset_index()

    # Find a combined score by taking the weighted average of the correlations
    ↪and magnitudes
    corr_weight = 0.5
    avg_corrmag['combined_score'] = corr_weight*avg_corrmag['correlation'] +
    ↪(1-corr_weight)*avg_corrmag['mag_measure']

    ↪return(avg_corrmag)

```

```
[54]: # Write a function to output the 5 stores with the highest averaged scores
      ↪ combining the tot_sales and n_cust metrics
      # for a given trial store over the pre-trial period
      # Inputs:
      #   trial (int) : the trial store to test
      # Output:
      #   scores (df) : a sorted table with the 5 highest composite scores of
      ↪ possible control stores

def find_highestscore(trial):
    # Obtain the scores for the tot_sales and n_cust metrics separately
    scores_tot_sales = calc_corrdist_score (trial, ['total_sales'])
    scores_n_cust = calc_corrdist_score (trial, ['cust'])
    # Create a data table to store the composite results in - stores are also
    scores_control = pd.DataFrame()
    scores_control['control_store'] = scores_tot_sales.control_store
    # Calculate the composite scores
    scores_control['correlation'] = 0.5*scores_tot_sales.correlation + 0.
    ↪ 5*scores_n_cust.correlation
    scores_control['mag_measure'] = 0.5*scores_tot_sales.mag_measure + 0.
    ↪ 5*scores_n_cust.mag_measure
    scores_control['scores'] = 0.5*scores_tot_sales.combined_score + 0.
    ↪ 5*scores_n_cust.combined_score
    return(scores_control.sort_values(by = 'scores', ascending = False).
    ↪ reset_index(drop = True).head(5))

[55]: # Now find the control stores with the highest scores for each of the trial
      ↪ stores
trial_stores = [77, 86, 88]
for trial in trial_stores:
    print('Trial store: ', trial)
    print(find_highestscore(trial))
    print()
```

Trial store: 77

	control_store	correlation	mag_measure	scores
0	233	1.0	0.989804	0.994902
1	41	1.0	0.972041	0.986020
2	46	1.0	0.969523	0.984762
3	53	1.0	0.968421	0.984211
4	111	1.0	0.967981	0.983991

Trial store: 86

	control_store	correlation	mag_measure	scores
0	155	1.0	0.976324	0.988162
1	109	1.0	0.968180	0.984090
2	225	1.0	0.965044	0.982522



3	229	1.0	0.957995	0.978997
4	101	1.0	0.945394	0.972697

Trial store: 88				
	control_store	correlation	mag_measure	scores
0	40	1.0	0.941789	0.970895
1	26	1.0	0.917859	0.958929
2	72	1.0	0.908157	0.954079
3	58	1.0	0.900435	0.950217
4	81	1.0	0.887572	0.943786

From the above output, the stores with the highest scores are:

- Store 233 for trial store 77
- Store 155 for trial store 86
- Store 40 for trial store 88

Note that the combined store for the control cases of trial store 88 are lower than those of stores 77 and 86. This may suggest that the control stores may not match store 88 as well as for the other trial stores.

Now that we have found the control stores, we can visually check if the drivers are similar between these and the trial stores in the pre-trial period.

```
[56]: def make_plots(storepair, metric_col):
    trial = storepair[0]
    control = storepair[1]
    trial_plot = pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == trial][['YEARMONTH',
↳ 'STORE_NBR', metric_col]]
    trial_plot = trial_plot.rename(columns = {metric_col: metric_col+'_trial'})
    control_plot = pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == control][['YEARMONTH',
↳ 'STORE_NBR', metric_col]]
    control_plot = control_plot.rename(columns = {metric_col:
↳ metric_col+'_control'})

    other_stores = pre_metrics.loc[(pre_metrics.STORE_NBR != 77)][['YEARMONTH',
↳ 'STORE_NBR', metric_col]]
    other_stores = other_stores.loc[(pre_metrics.STORE_NBR != 233)]
    plot_other = other_stores.groupby('YEARMONTH')[metric_col].mean()

    ax = control_plot.plot.line(x = "YEARMONTH", y = metric_col+'_control',
↳ use_index=False, label = 'Control '+metric_col)
    ax_trial = trial_plot.plot.line(x = "YEARMONTH", y = metric_col+'_trial',
↳ use_index=False, ax=ax, label = 'Trial '+metric_col)
    ax_other = plot_other.plot.line(use_index = False, ax=ax, label = 'Other '+
↳ metric_col)
    ax.set_ylabel(metric_col)
```

```

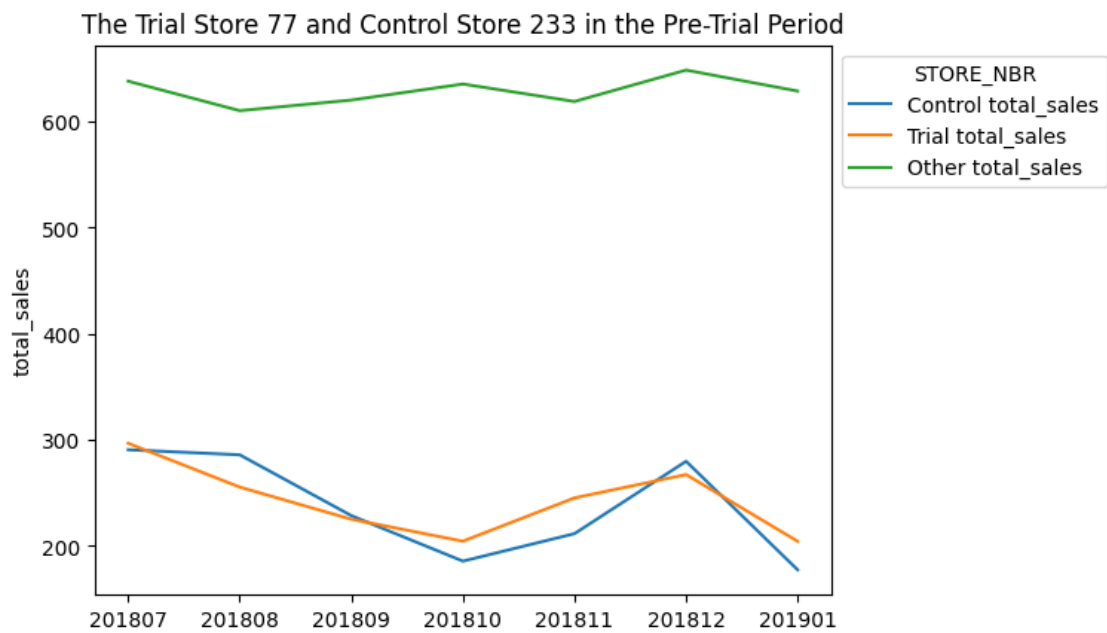
plt.legend(title = 'STORE_NBR', loc = "upper left",bbox_to_anchor=(1.0, 1.
↪0))
positions = (0,1,2,3,4,5,6)
labels = ("201807", '201808', '201809', '201810', '201811', '201812',
↪'201901')
plt.xticks (positions, labels)
titlestr = 'The Trial Store ' + str(storepair[0]) + ' and Control Store ' +
↪str(storepair[1]) + ' in the Pre-Trial Period'
ax.set_title(titlestr)

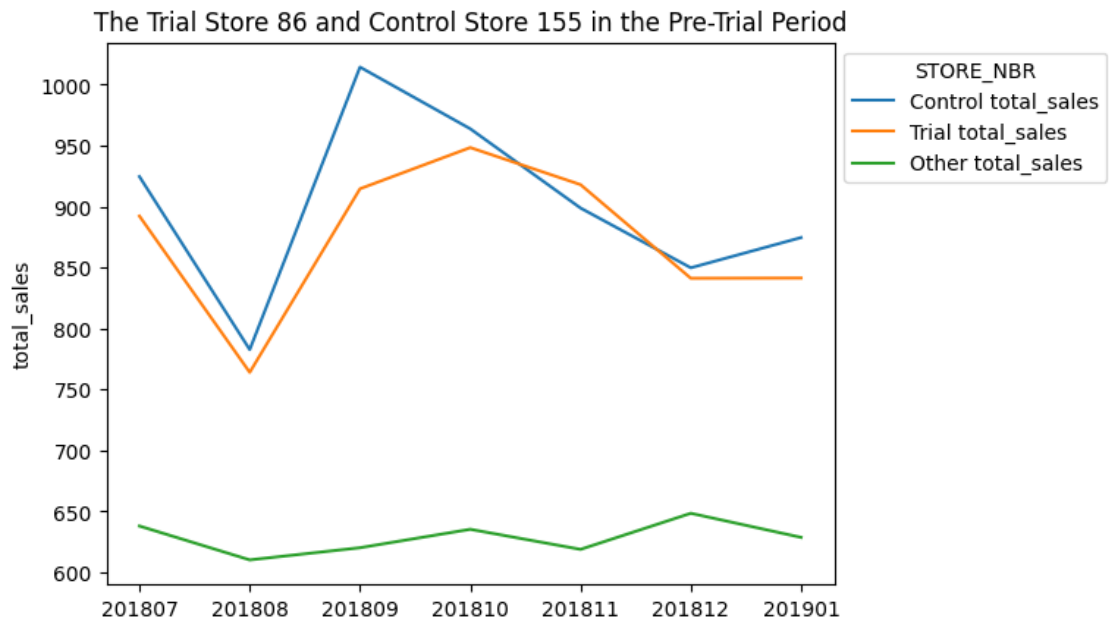
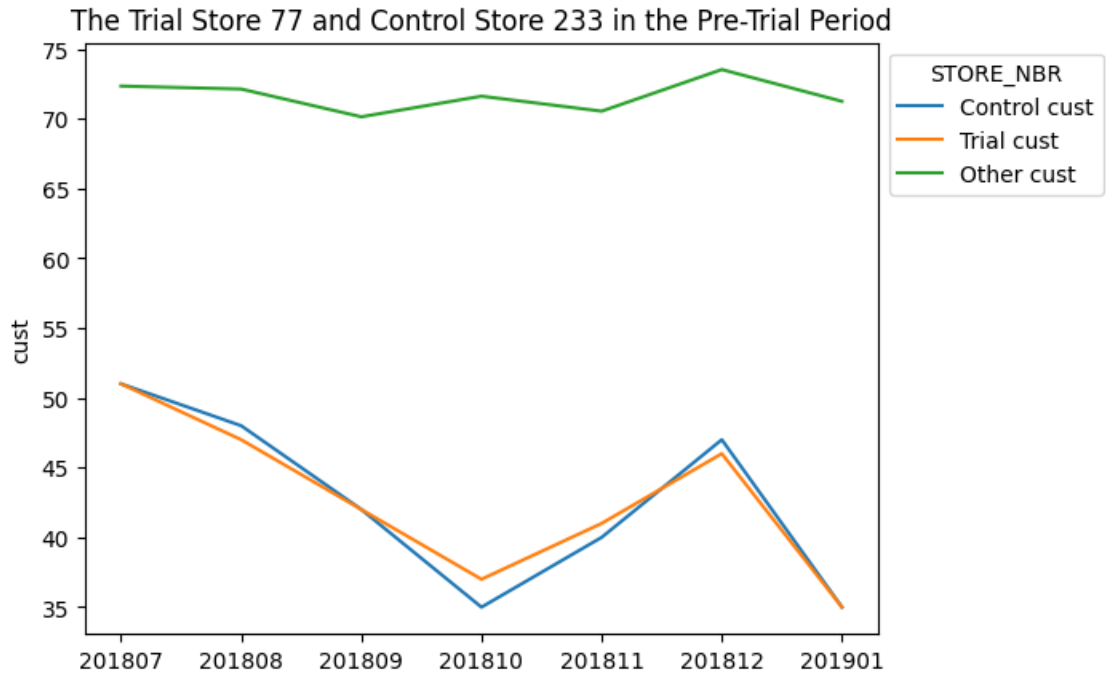
```

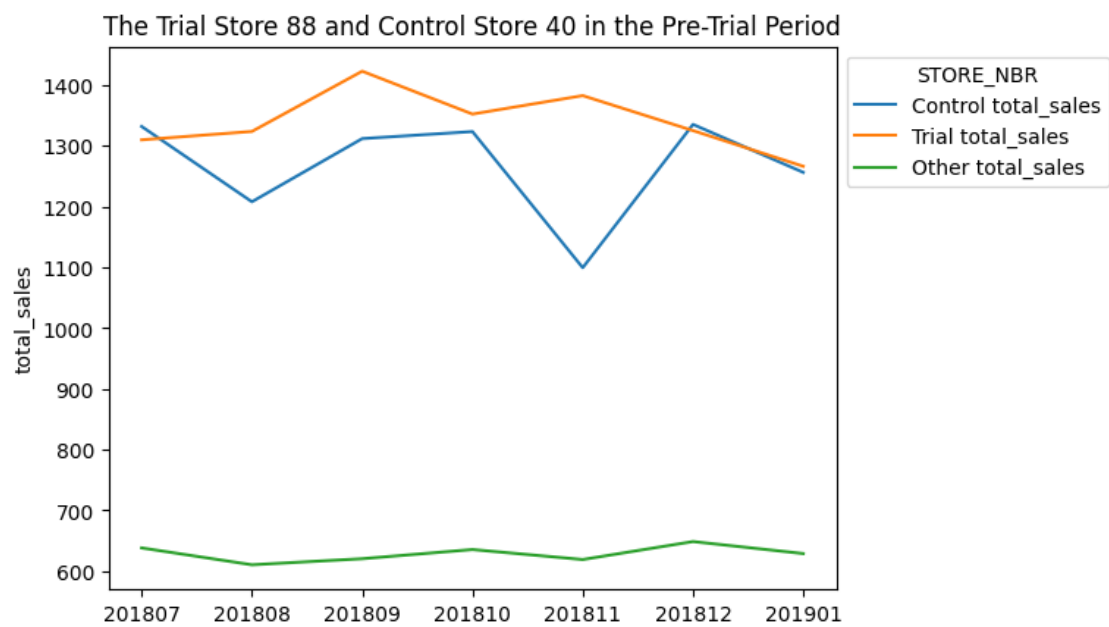
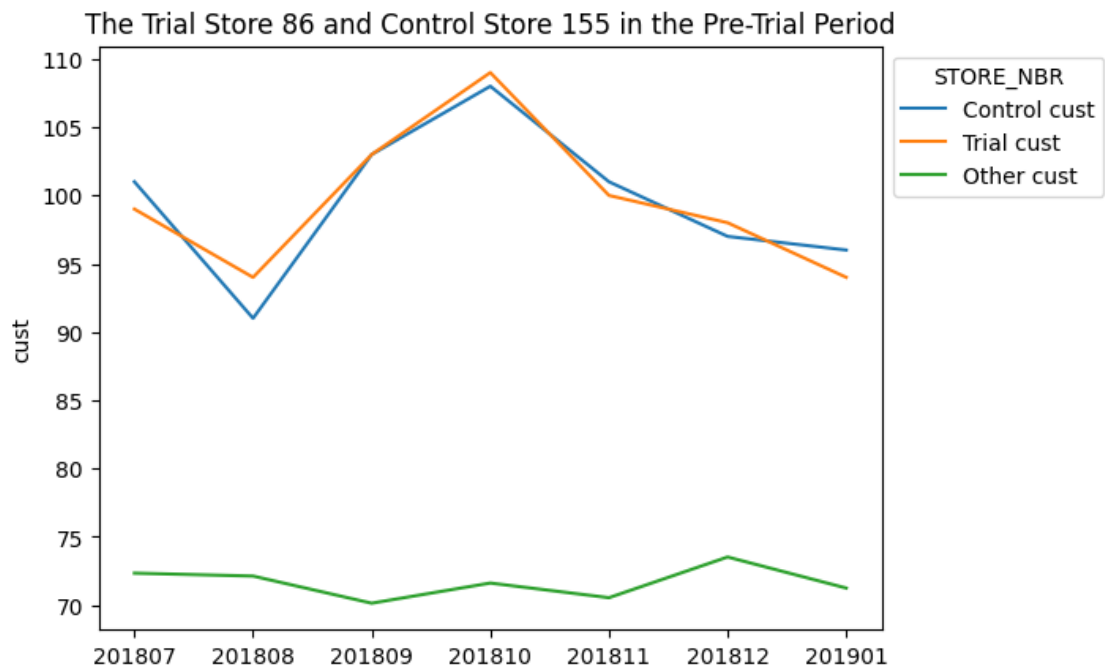
```

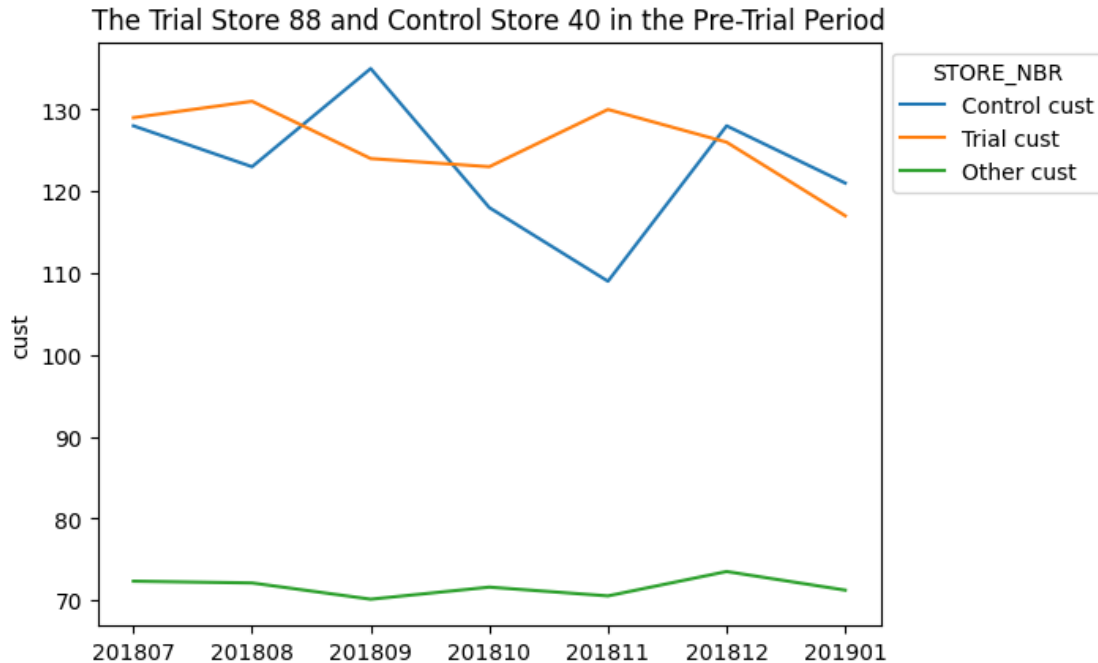
[57]: storepair = [[77, 233], [86, 155], [88, 40]]
metric_col = ['total_sales', 'cust']
for pair in storepair:
    for metric in metric_col:
        make_plots(pair, metric)

```









The metrics of the control and trial stores look reasonably similar in the pre-trial period.

Now, we want to see if there has been an uplift in overall chip sales. We'll start with scaling the control store's sales to a level similar to control for any differences between the two stores outside of the trial period.

```
[58]: # Calculate the scaling factor for the store pairs
scale_store77 = pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 77]['total_sales'].sum() /
    ↪ pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 233]['total_sales'].sum()
scale_store86 = pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 86]['total_sales'].sum() /
    ↪ pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 155]['total_sales'].sum()
scale_store88 = pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 88]['total_sales'].sum() /
    ↪ pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 40]['total_sales'].sum()

[59]: # Extract the control store data from the df and scale according to the store
scaled_control233 = df_metrics[df_metrics.STORE_NBR.isin([233])][['STORE_NBR', '
    ↪ "YEARMONTH", 'total_sales']]
scaled_control233.total_sales *= scale_store77
scaled_control155 = df_metrics[df_metrics.STORE_NBR.isin([155])][['STORE_NBR', '
    ↪ "YEARMONTH", 'total_sales']]
scaled_control155.total_sales *= scale_store86
scaled_control40 = df_metrics[df_metrics.STORE_NBR.isin([40])][['STORE_NBR', '
    ↪ "YEARMONTH", 'total_sales']]
scaled_control40.total_sales *= scale_store88
```

```

# Combine the scaled control stores to a single df
scaledsales_control = pd.concat([scaled_control233, scaled_control155,
    ↪scaled_control40]).reset_index(drop = True)
scaledsales_control = scaledsales_control.rename(columns = {'total_sales':
    ↪'scaled_tot_sales', 'STORE_NBR': 'CONTROL_NBR'})
# Get the trial period of scaled control stores
scaledsales_control_trial = scaledsales_control[(scaledsales_control.
    ↪YEARMONTH>=201902) & (scaledsales_control.YEARMONTH<=201904)].
    ↪reset_index(drop = True)

# Get the trial period of the trial stores
trialsales = df_metrics[df_metrics.STORE_NBR.isin([77,86,88])][['STORE_NBR',
    ↪'YEARMONTH', 'total_sales']].reset_index(drop = True)
trialsales = trialsales.rename(columns = {'STORE_NBR': 'TRIAL_NBR'})
trialsales_trial = trialsales[(trialsales.YEARMONTH >= 201902) & (trialsales.
    ↪YEARMONTH <= 201904)].reset_index(drop = True)

```

Now that we have comparable sales figures for the control store, we can calculate the percentage difference between the scaled control sales and the trial store's sales during the trial period.

```

[60]: # Calculate the percentage difference between the control and trial store pairs
    ↪for each month over the year
percentdiff = scaledsales_control.copy()
percentdiff[['TRIAL_NBR', 'tot_sales_t']] = trialsales[['TRIAL_NBR',
    ↪'total_sales']]
percentdiff = percentdiff.rename(columns = {'scaled_tot_sales' :
    ↪'scaled_sales_c'})
percentdiff['sales_percent_diff'] = (percentdiff.tot_sales_t-percentdiff.
    ↪scaled_sales_c)\
                                /(0.5*((percentdiff.
    ↪scaled_sales_c+percentdiff.tot_sales_t)))
percentdiff.head()

```

```

[60]:
   CONTROL_NBR  YEARMONTH  scaled_sales_c  TRIAL_NBR  tot_sales_t  \
0           233    201807    297.565550         77      296.8
1           233    201808    292.652187         77      255.5
2           233    201809    233.998916         77      225.2
3           233    201810    190.085733         77      204.5
4           233    201811    216.597421         77      245.3

   sales_percent_diff
0          -0.002576
1          -0.135554
2          -0.038323
3           0.073060
4           0.124281

```

Let's see if the difference is significant using a t-test. Our null hypothesis is that the trial period is the same as the pre-trial period; we will test with a null hypothesis that there is a 0-percent between the trial and control stores.

```
[61]: # As our null hypothesis is that the trial period is the same as the pre-trial
      ↪period,
      # let's take the standard deviation based on the scaled percentage difference
      ↪in the pre-trial period.
      pretrial_percentdiff = percentdiff[percentdiff.YEARMONTH < 201902]
      pretrial_percentdiff_std = pretrial_percentdiff.
      ↪groupby(['TRIAL_NBR'])['sales_percent_diff'].agg('std').reset_index()
      dof = 6 # 7 months of data - 1

      for stores in storepair: # stores numbers are stored as [trial, control] in
      ↪storepair
          trialstore = stores[0]
          controlstore = stores[1]
          pretrial = percentdiff[(percentdiff.YEARMONTH < 201902) & (percentdiff.
      ↪TRIAL_NBR == trialstore)]
          std = pretrial['sales_percent_diff'].agg('std')
          mean = pretrial['sales_percent_diff'].agg('mean')
          trialperiod = percentdiff[(percentdiff.YEARMONTH >= 201902) & (percentdiff.
      ↪YEARMONTH <= 201904) \
                                  & (percentdiff.TRIAL_NBR == trialstore)]
          print("Trial store -", trialstore, "; control store -", controlstore)
          print("Month : t-statistic")
          for month in trialperiod.YEARMONTH.unique():
              xval = trialperiod[trialperiod.YEARMONTH ==
      ↪month]['sales_percent_diff'].item()
              tstat = ((xval - mean)/std)
              print(str(month), ' : ', tstat)
          print()

      # Generate the t-statistic for the 95% percentile with 6 dof
      print('95th percentile value:', stats.t.ppf(1-0.05, 6))
```

Trial store - 77 ; control store - 233

Month : t-statistic

201902 : -0.7171038288055838

201903 : 3.035317928855674

201904 : 4.708944418758219

Trial store - 86 ; control store - 155

Month : t-statistic

201902 : 1.4133618775921597

201903 : 7.123063846042147

201904 : 0.8863824572944234

```

Trial store - 88 ; control store - 40
Month : t-statistic
201902 : -0.5481633746817577
201903 : 1.0089992743637823
201904 : 0.9710006270463672

```

95th percentile value: 1.9431802803927816

We can observe that the t-value for the trial store 77 is much larger than the 95th percentile value of the t-distribution for March and April - i.e. the increase in sales in the trial store 77 in March and April is statistically greater than in the control store. This can also be seen for March of trial store 86.

Let's create a more visual version of this by plotting the sales of the control store, the sales of the trial stores and the 95th percentile value of sales of the control store.

```

[62]: # First do bar graphs during the trial period
storepair = [[77, 233], [86, 155], [88, 40]]
for stores in storepair: # stores numbers are stored as [trial, control] in
    ↪storepair
    trial = stores[0]
    control = stores[1]

    # Plot the bar chart of sales performance
    plot_control = percentdiff[(percentdiff['CONTROL_NBR'] == control) &
    ↪(percentdiff.YEARMONTH >= 201902) & (percentdiff.YEARMONTH <= 201904)]\
        [['YEARMONTH', 'CONTROL_NBR', 'scaled_sales_c']]
    plot_control = plot_control.rename(columns = {"CONTROL_NBR" : "STORE_NBR",
    ↪"scaled_sales_c": "control_sales"})
    plot_trial = percentdiff[(percentdiff['TRIAL_NBR'] == trial) & (percentdiff.
    ↪YEARMONTH >= 201902) & (percentdiff.YEARMONTH <= 201904)]\
        [['YEARMONTH', 'TRIAL_NBR', 'tot_sales_t']]
    plot_trial = plot_trial.rename(columns = {"TRIAL_NBR" : "STORE_NBR",
    ↪"tot_sales_t": "trial_sales"})
    toplot = plot_control[["YEARMONTH", "control_sales"]].
    ↪merge(plot_trial[["YEARMONTH", "trial_sales"]], on="YEARMONTH").
    ↪set_index("YEARMONTH")
    ax = toplot.plot(kind = 'bar', figsize=(7, 5))

    # plot the thresholds as lines
    std = percentdiff[(percentdiff['CONTROL_NBR'] == control) & (percentdiff.
    ↪YEARMONTH < 201902)][['sales_percent_diff']].std()
    threshold95 = plot_control.reset_index()[['YEARMONTH', 'control_sales']]
    threshold95.control_sales = threshold95.control_sales*(1+std*2)
    threshold5 = plot_control.reset_index()[['YEARMONTH', 'control_sales']]
    threshold5.control_sales = threshold5.control_sales*(1-std*2)

```

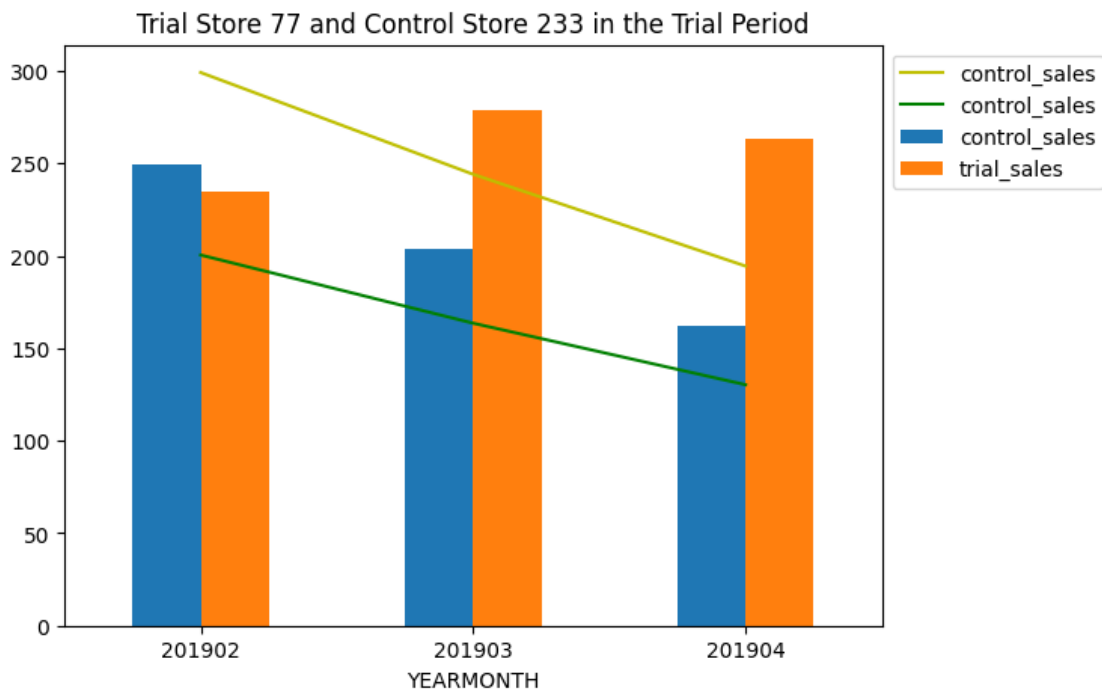


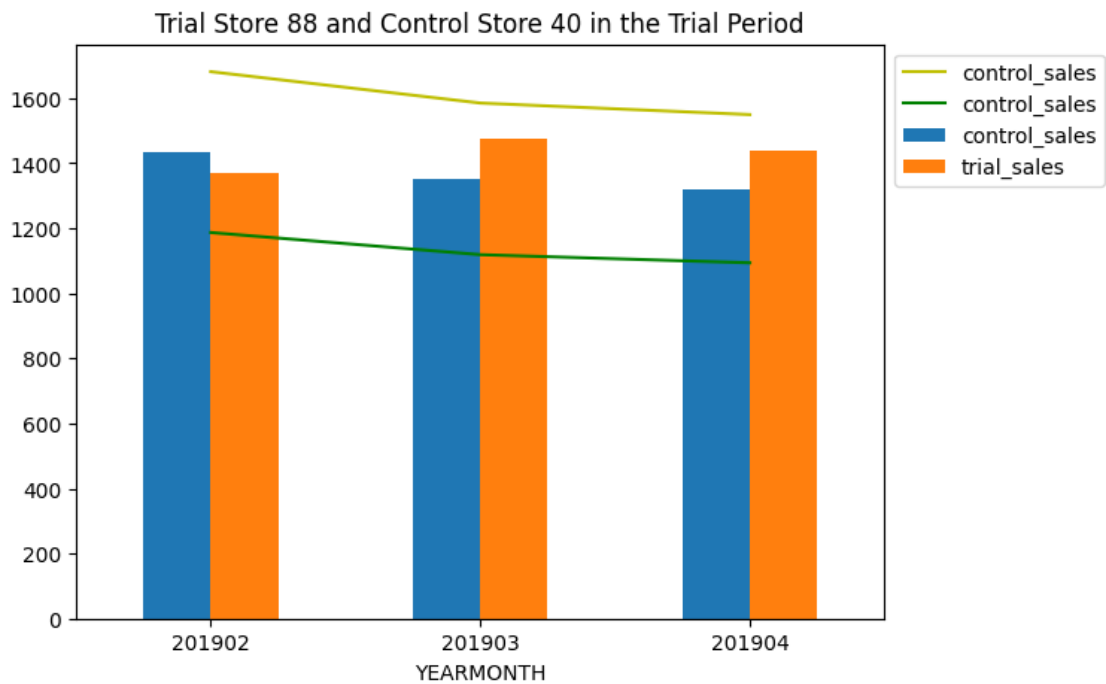
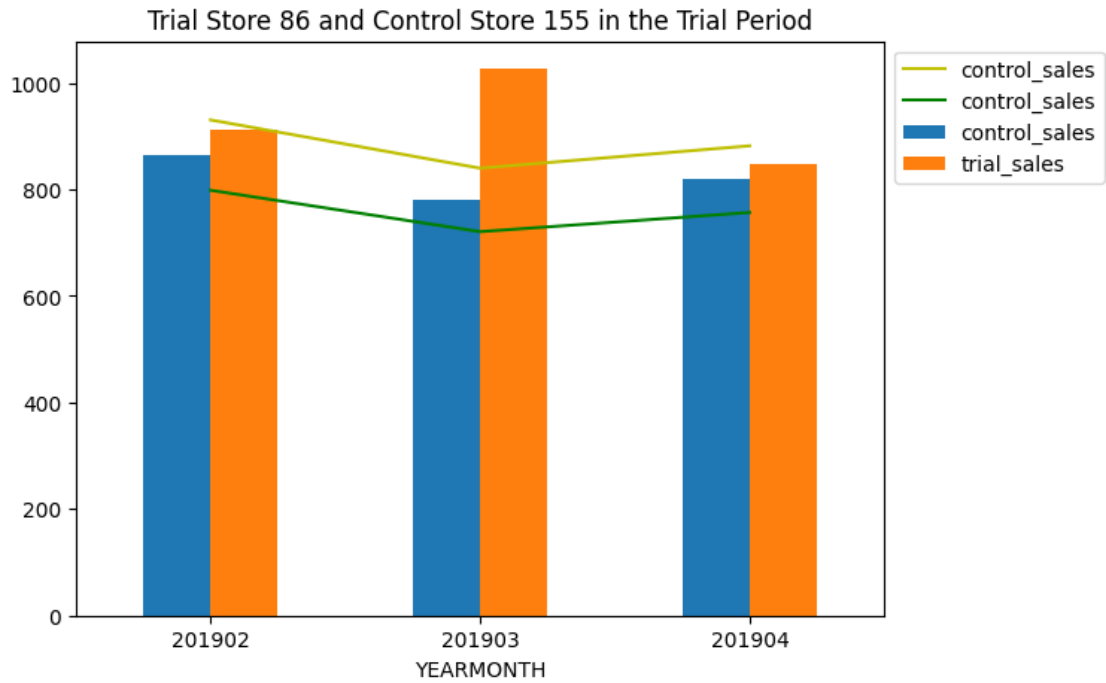
```

ax95 = threshold95.plot.line(x = 'YEARMONTH', y =
↪ 'control_sales', color='y', figsize=(7, 5), use_index=False, ax = ax)
ax5 = threshold5.plot.line(x = 'YEARMONTH', y = 'control_sales', color='g',
↪ figsize=(7, 5), use_index=False, ax = ax)

# Other plot features
plt.legend(loc = "upper left", bbox_to_anchor=(1.0, 1.0))
titlestr = 'Trial Store ' + str(trial) + ' and Control Store ' +
↪ str(control) + ' in the Trial Period'
ax.set_title(titlestr)
plt.show()

```





```
[63]: # Loop through store pairs
      for stores in storepair:
```

```

trial = stores[0]
control = stores[1]

# Filter data for trial store and control store
plot_control = percentdiff[(percentdiff['CONTROL_NBR'] == control) &
                             (percentdiff.YEARMONTH >= 201902) &
                             (percentdiff.YEARMONTH <= 201904)]
plot_trial = percentdiff[(percentdiff['TRIAL_NBR'] == trial) &
                           (percentdiff.YEARMONTH >= 201902) &
                           (percentdiff.YEARMONTH <= 201904)]

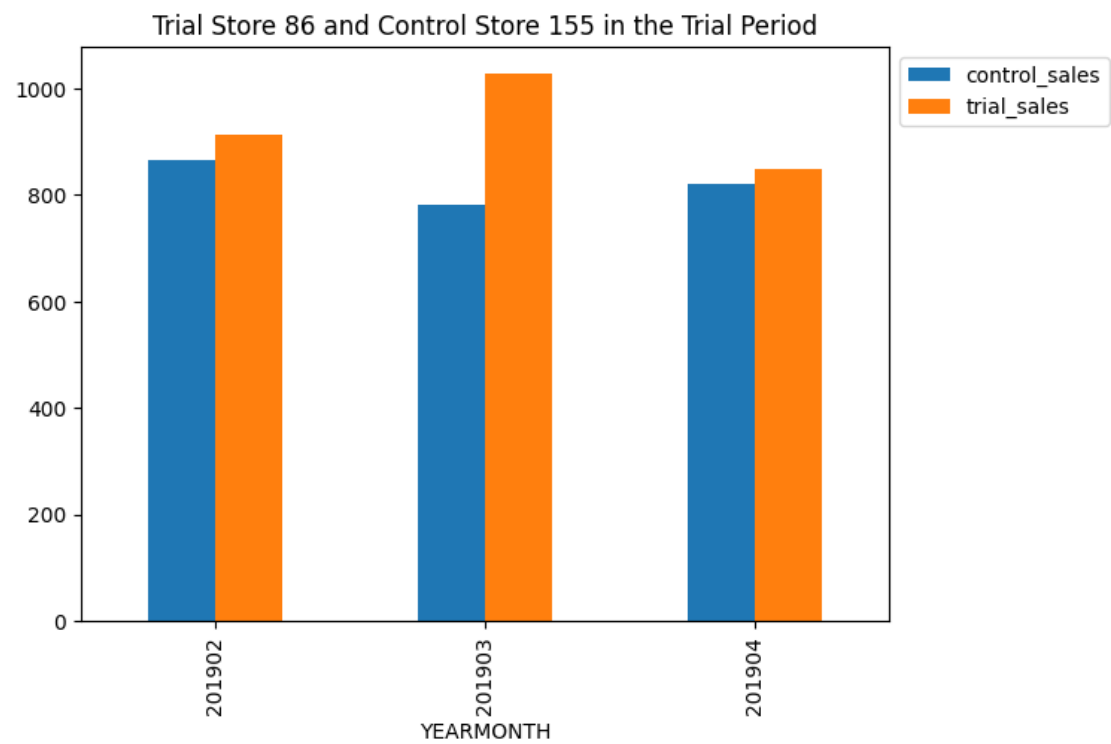
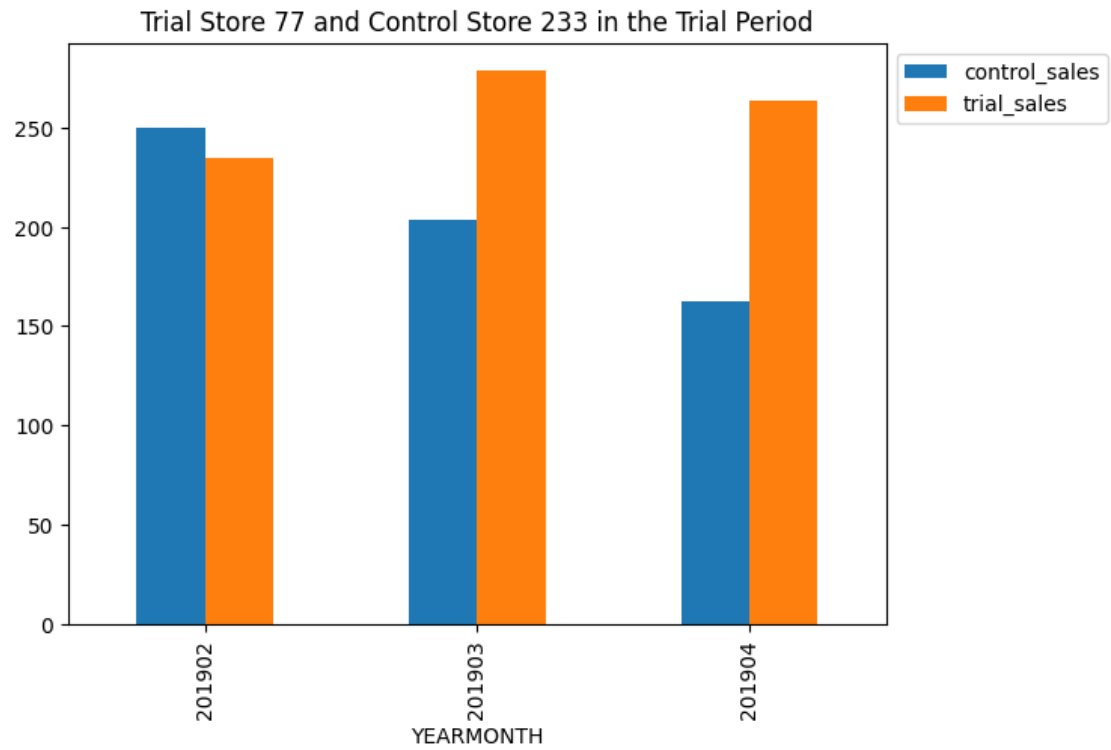
# Check if either DataFrame is empty
if plot_control.empty or plot_trial.empty:
    print(f"No data available for Trial Store {trial} and Control Store_
↪{control}")
    continue

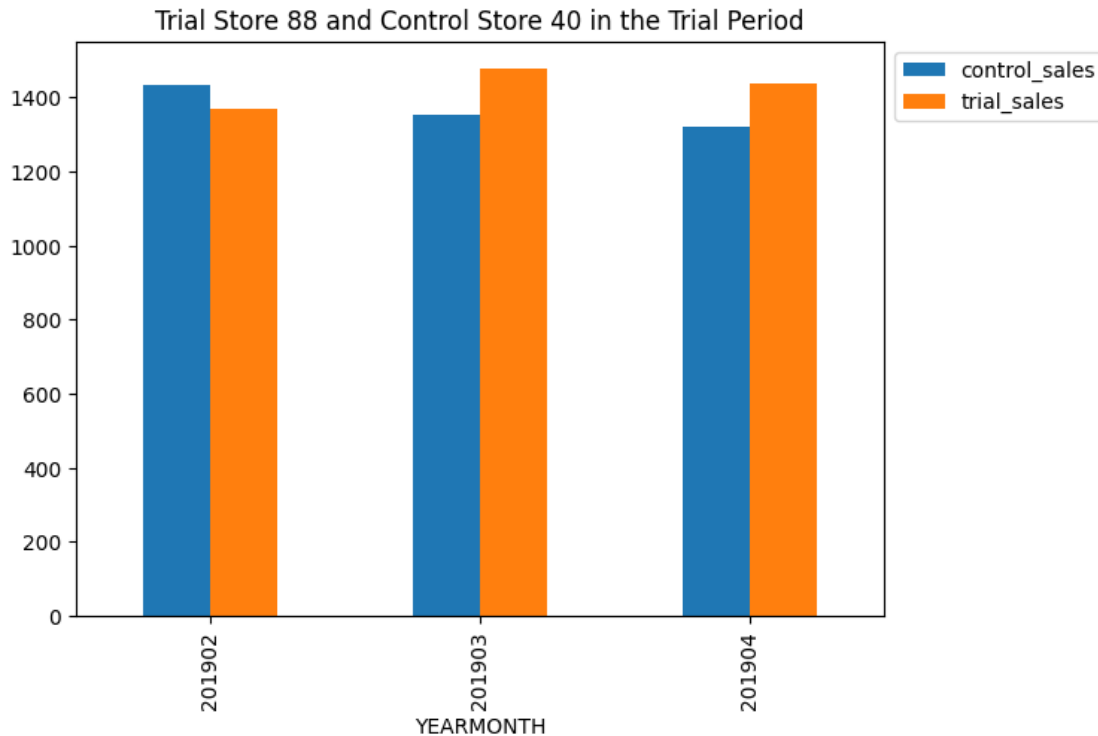
# Rename columns and merge DataFrames
plot_control = plot_control.rename(columns={"CONTROL_NBR": "STORE_NBR",
↪"scaled_sales_c": "control_sales"})
plot_trial = plot_trial.rename(columns={"TRIAL_NBR": "STORE_NBR",
↪"tot_sales_t": "trial_sales"})
toplot = plot_control[["YEARMONTH", "control_sales"]].
↪merge(plot_trial[["YEARMONTH", "trial_sales"]], on="YEARMONTH").
↪set_index("YEARMONTH")

# Plot bar chart
ax = toplot.plot(kind='bar', figsize=(7, 5))

# Other plot features
std = plot_control['sales_percent_diff'].std()
# ...
# Plot threshold lines and other features
# ...
plt.legend(loc="upper left", bbox_to_anchor=(1.0, 1.0))
titlestr = 'Trial Store ' + str(trial) + ' and Control Store ' +
↪str(control) + ' in the Trial Period'
ax.set_title(titlestr)
plt.show()

```





```
[64]: # Then do line graphs during the whole year - for the report
from matplotlib.patches import Rectangle
storepair = [[77, 233], [86, 155], [88, 40]]
for stores in storepair: # stores numbers are stored as [trial, control] in
    ↪storepair
    trial = stores[0]
    control = stores[1]

    # Plot the line graph of sales performance
    plot_control = percentdiff[(percentdiff['CONTROL_NBR'] ==
    ↪control)][['YEARMONTH', 'CONTROL_NBR', 'scaled_sales_c']]
    plot_control = plot_control.rename(columns = {"CONTROL_NBR" : "STORE_NBR",
    ↪"scaled_sales_c": "control_sales"})
    plot_trial = percentdiff[(percentdiff['TRIAL_NBR'] == trial)][['YEARMONTH',
    ↪'TRIAL_NBR', 'tot_sales_t']]
    plot_trial = plot_trial.rename(columns = {"TRIAL_NBR" : "STORE_NBR",
    ↪"tot_sales_t": "trial_sales"})

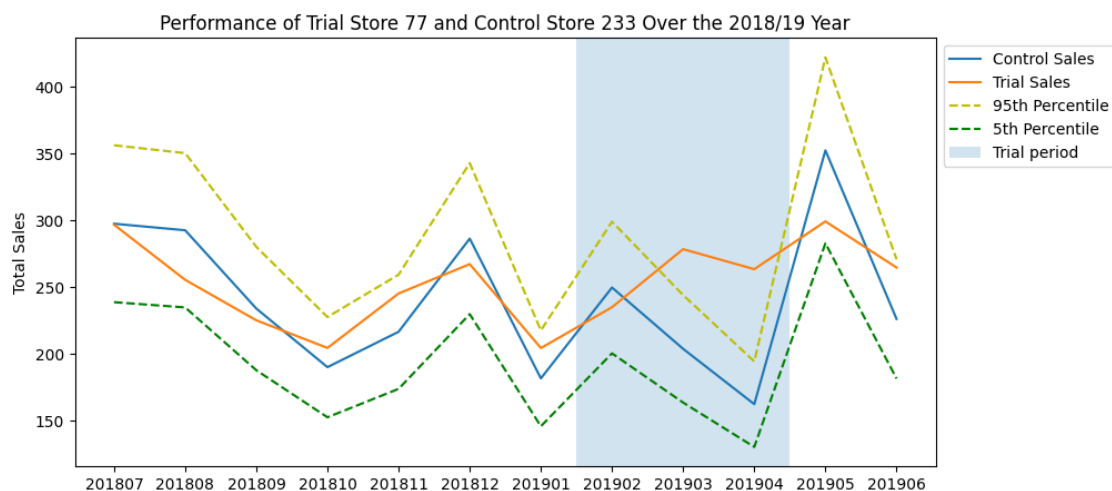
    ax = plot_control.plot.line(x = "YEARMONTH", y = 'control_sales',
    ↪use_index=False, label = 'Control Sales')
    ax_trial = plot_trial.plot.line(x = "YEARMONTH", y = 'trial_sales',
    ↪use_index=False, ax=ax, label = 'Trial Sales')
```

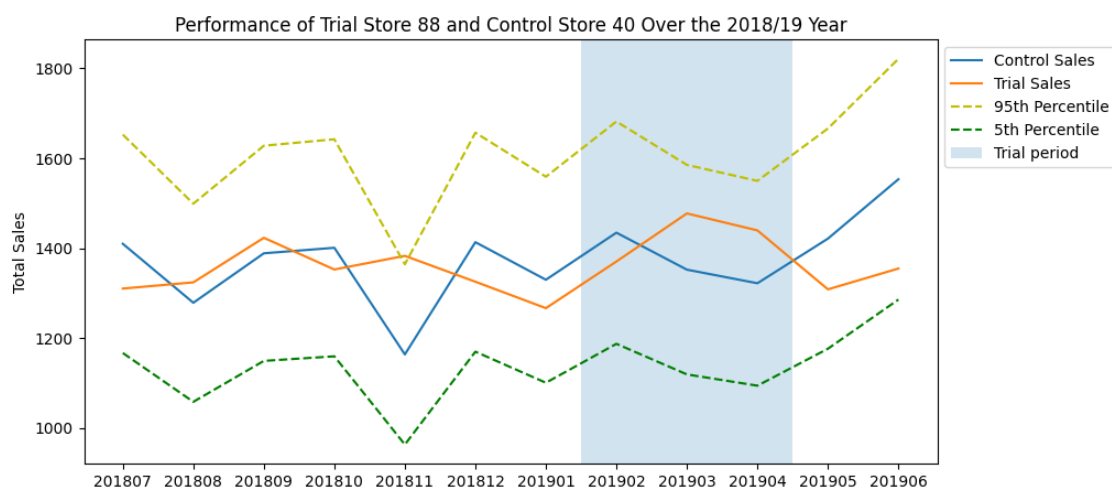
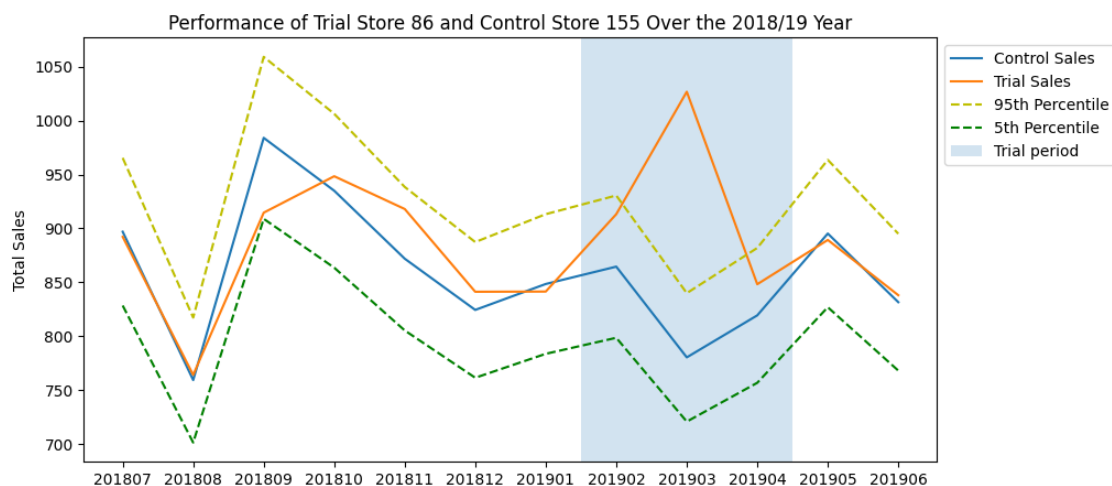
```

# plot the thresholds as lines
std = percentdiff[(percentdiff['CONTROL_NBR'] == control) & (percentdiff.
↪ YEARMONTH < 201902)][['sales_percent_diff']].std()
threshold95 = plot_control.reset_index()[['YEARMONTH', 'control_sales']]
threshold95.control_sales = threshold95.control_sales*(1+std*2)
threshold5 = plot_control.reset_index()[['YEARMONTH', 'control_sales']]
threshold5.control_sales = threshold5.control_sales*(1-std*2)
ax95 = threshold95.plot.line(x = 'YEARMONTH', y = '
↪ control_sales',color='y', linestyle = '--', figsize=(10, 5),
↪ use_index=False, ax = ax, label = '95th Percentile')
ax5 = threshold5.plot.line(x = 'YEARMONTH', y = 'control_sales', color='g',
↪ linestyle = '--', figsize=(10, 5), use_index=False, ax = ax, label = '5th
↪ Percentile')
ax.add_patch(Rectangle((6.5, 0), 3, 2000, alpha = 0.2, label = 'Trial
↪ period'))

# Other plot features
ax.set_ylabel('Total Sales')
plt.legend(loc = "upper left",bbox_to_anchor=(1.0, 1.0))
titlestr = 'Performance of Trial Store ' + str(trial) + ' and Control Store_
↪ ' + str(control) + ' Over the 2018/19 Year'
positions = (0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9, 10, 11)
labels = ("201807", '201808', '201809', '201810', '201811', '201812',
↪ '201901', '201902', '201903', '201904', '201905', '201906')
plt.xticks(positions, labels)
ax.set_title(titlestr)
plt.show()

```





The results show that the trial in store 77 is significantly different to its control store in the trial period as the trial store performance lies outside the 5% to 95% confidence interval of the control store in two of the three trial months.

For store 86, we can see that the trial in March is significantly different to the control store with the total sales performance outside of the 5% to 95% confidence interval. However, there is no significant difference in February's and April's performance.

The results for store 88 show no significant difference between the trial and control stores during this period.

Let's have a look at assessing this for number of customers as well.

```
[65]: # Calculate the scaling factor for the store pairs
```

```

scale_store77 = pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 77]['cust'].sum()/
↳pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 233]['cust'].sum()
scale_store86 = pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 86]['cust'].sum()/
↳pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 155]['cust'].sum()
scale_store88 = pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 88]['cust'].sum()/
↳pre_metrics[pre_metrics.STORE_NBR == 40]['cust'].sum()

```

```

[66]: # Extract the control store data from the df and scale according to the store
scaled_control233 = df_metrics[df_metrics.STORE_NBR.isin([233])][['STORE_NBR',
↳"YEARMONTH", 'cust']]
scaled_control233.cust *= scale_store77
scaled_control155 = df_metrics[df_metrics.STORE_NBR.isin([155])][['STORE_NBR',
↳"YEARMONTH", 'cust']]
scaled_control155.cust *= scale_store86
scaled_control40 = df_metrics[df_metrics.STORE_NBR.isin([40])][['STORE_NBR',
↳"YEARMONTH", 'cust']]
scaled_control40.cust *= scale_store88

# Combine the scaled control stores to a single df
scaledncust_control = pd.concat([scaled_control233, scaled_control155,
↳scaled_control40]).reset_index(drop = True)
scaledncust_control = scaledncust_control.rename(columns = {'cust':
↳'scaled_n_cust', 'STORE_NBR': 'CONTROL_NBR'})
# Get the trial period of scaled control stores
scaledncust_control_trial = scaledncust_control[(scaledsales_control.
↳YEARMONTH>=201902) & (scaledsales_control.YEARMONTH<=201904)].
↳reset_index(drop = True)

# Get the trial period of the trial stores
trialncust = df_metrics[df_metrics.STORE_NBR.isin([77,86,88])][['STORE_NBR',
↳"YEARMONTH", 'cust']].reset_index(drop = True)
trialncust = trialncust.rename(columns = {'STORE_NBR': 'TRIAL_NBR'})
trialncust_trial = trialncust[(trialncust.YEARMONTH >= 201902) & (trialsales.
↳YEARMONTH <= 201904)].reset_index(drop = True)

```

```

[68]: # Calculate the percentage difference between the control and trial store pairs
↳for each month over the year
percentdiff = scaledncust_control.copy()
percentdiff[['TRIAL_NBR', 'n_cust_t']] = trialncust[['TRIAL_NBR', 'cust']]
percentdiff = percentdiff.rename(columns = {'scaled_n_cust' :
↳'scaled_n_cust_c'})
percentdiff['cust_percent_diff'] = (percentdiff.n_cust_t-percentdiff.
↳scaled_n_cust_c)\
                                  /(0.5*((percentdiff.
↳scaled_n_cust_c+percentdiff.n_cust_t)))
percentdiff.head()

```



```
[68]:
```

	CONTROL_NBR	YEARMONTH	scaled_n_cust_c	TRIAL_NBR	n_cust_t	\
0	233	201807	51.171141	77	51	
1	233	201808	48.161074	77	47	
2	233	201809	42.140940	77	42	
3	233	201810	35.117450	77	37	
4	233	201811	40.134228	77	41	

	cust_percent_diff
0	-0.003350
1	-0.024402
2	-0.003350
3	0.052208
4	0.021342

```
[69]: # As our null hypothesis is that the trial period is the same as the pre-trial
      ↪period,
      # let's take the standard deviation based on the scaled percentage difference
      ↪in the pre-trial period.
      pretrial_percentdiff = percentdiff[percentdiff.YEARMONTH < 201902]
      pretrial_percentdiff_std = pretrial_percentdiff.
      ↪groupby(['TRIAL_NBR'])['cust_percent_diff'].agg('std').reset_index()
      dof = 6 # 7 months of data - 1

      for stores in storepair: # stores numbers are stored as [trial, control] in
      ↪storepair
          trialstore = stores[0]
          controlstore = stores[1]
          pretrial = percentdiff[(percentdiff.YEARMONTH < 201902) & (percentdiff.
          ↪TRIAL_NBR == trialstore)]
          std = pretrial['cust_percent_diff'].agg('std')
          mean = pretrial['cust_percent_diff'].agg('mean')
          trialperiod = percentdiff[(percentdiff.YEARMONTH >= 201902) & (percentdiff.
          ↪YEARMONTH <= 201904) \
                                  & (percentdiff.TRIAL_NBR == trialstore)]
          print("Trial store -", trialstore, "; control store -", controlstore)
          print("Month : t-statistic")
          for month in trialperiod.YEARMONTH.unique():
              xval = trialperiod[trialperiod.YEARMONTH == month]['cust_percent_diff'].
              ↪item()
              tstat = ((xval - mean)/std)
              print(str(month), ' : ', tstat)
          print()

      # Generate the t-statistic for the 95% percentile with 6 dof
      print('95th percentile value:', stats.t.ppf(1-0.05, 6))
```

Trial store - 77 ; control store - 233

```

Month : t-statistic
201902 : -0.19886295797440687
201903 : 8.009609025380932
201904 : 16.114474772873923

```

```

Trial store - 86 ; control store - 155
Month : t-statistic
201902 : 6.220524882227514
201903 : 10.52599074274189
201904 : 3.0763575852842706

```

```

Trial store - 88 ; control store - 40
Month : t-statistic
201902 : -0.3592881735131531
201903 : 1.2575196020616801
201904 : 0.6092905590514273

```

95th percentile value: 1.9431802803927816

We can see from the above results that similar to the total sales metric, there are statistically significant increases in the number of customers in stores 77 and 86 in at least 2 months during the trial period. However, there is no significant increase in store 88.

Let's create a more visual version of this by plotting the sales of the control store, the sales of the trial stores and the 95th percentile value of sales of the control store.

```

[70]: # First do bar charts to focus on the trial period
storepair = [[77, 233], [86, 155], [88, 40]]
for stores in storepair: # stores numbers are stored as [trial, control] in
    ↪storepair
        trial = stores[0]
        control = stores[1]
        plot_control = percentdiff[(percentdiff['CONTROL_NBR'] == control) &
    ↪(percentdiff.YEARMONTH >= 201902) & (percentdiff.YEARMONTH <= 201904)]\
            [['YEARMONTH', 'CONTROL_NBR', 'scaled_n_cust_c']]
        plot_control = plot_control.rename(columns = {"CONTROL_NBR" : "STORE_NBR",
    ↪"scaled_n_cust_c": "control_ncust"})
        plot_trial = percentdiff[(percentdiff['TRIAL_NBR'] == trial) & (percentdiff.
    ↪YEARMONTH >= 201902) & (percentdiff.YEARMONTH <= 201904)]\
            [['YEARMONTH', 'TRIAL_NBR', 'n_cust_t']]
        plot_trial = plot_trial.rename(columns = {"TRIAL_NBR" : "STORE_NBR",
    ↪"n_cust_t": "trial_ncust"})
        toplot = plot_control[["YEARMONTH", "control_ncust"]].
    ↪merge(plot_trial[["YEARMONTH", "trial_ncust"]], on="YEARMONTH").
    ↪set_index("YEARMONTH")
        ax = toplot.plot(kind = 'bar', figsize=(7, 5))

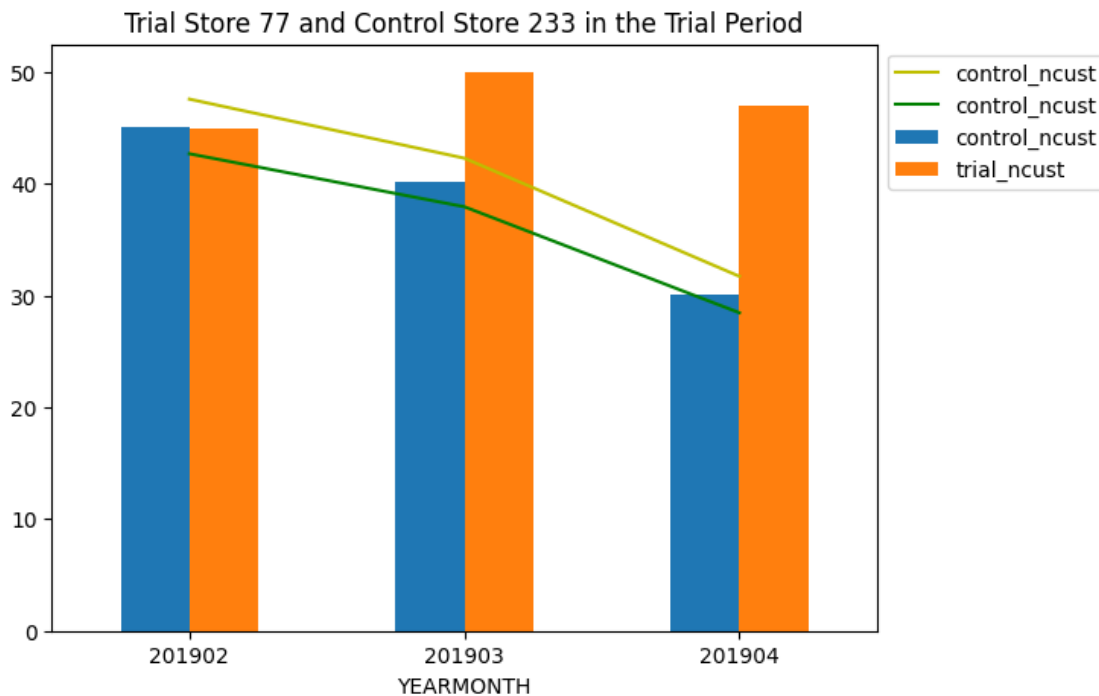
```

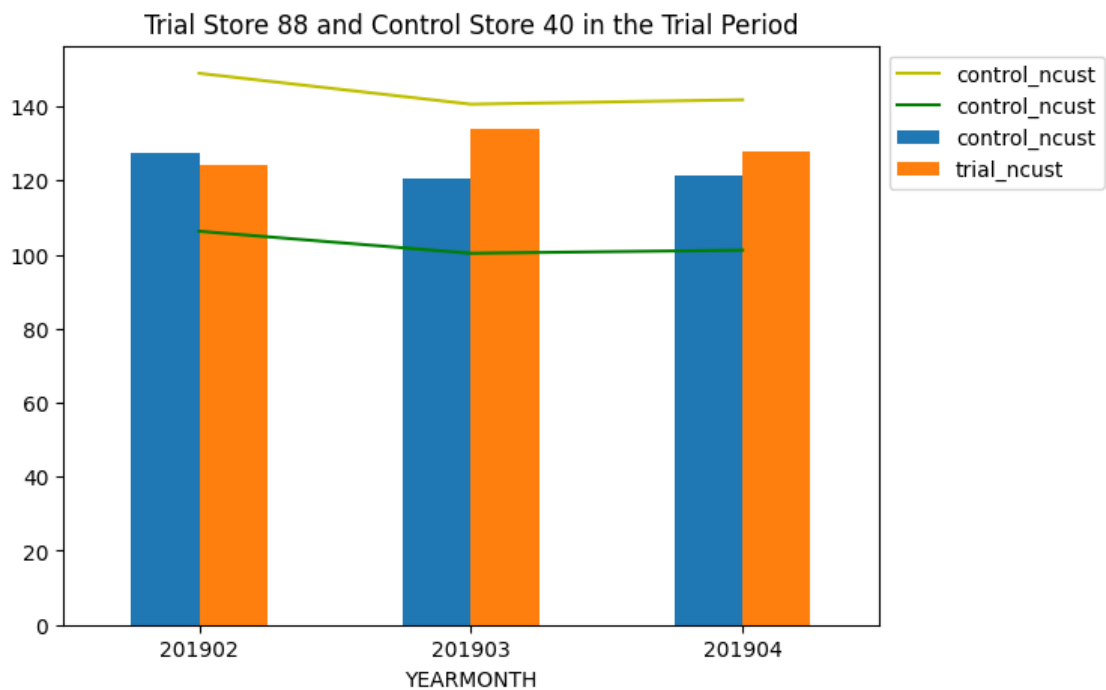
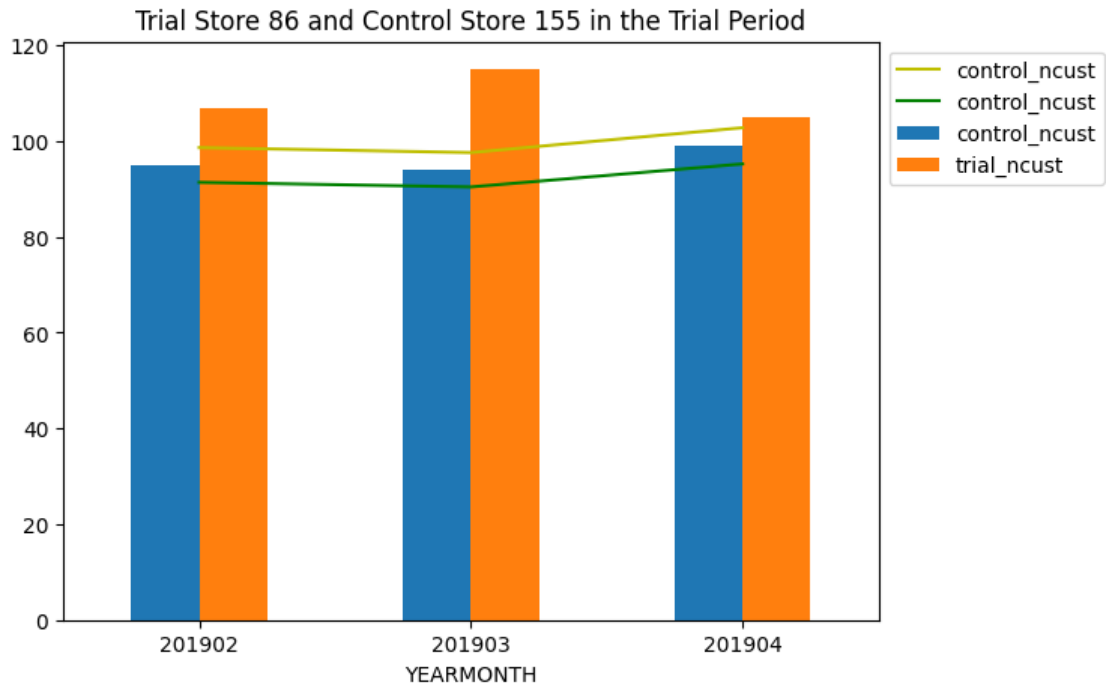
```

# plot the thresholds as lines
std = percentdiff[(percentdiff['CONTROL_NBR'] == control) & (percentdiff.
↪ YEARMONTH < 201902)]['cust_percent_diff'].std()
threshold95 = plot_control.reset_index()[['YEARMONTH', 'control_ncust']]
threshold95.control_ncust = threshold95.control_ncust*(1+std*2)
threshold5 = plot_control.reset_index()[['YEARMONTH', 'control_ncust']]
threshold5.control_ncust = threshold5.control_ncust*(1-std*2)
ax95 = threshold95.plot.line(x = 'YEARMONTH', y =
↪ 'control_ncust', color='y', figsize=(7, 5), use_index=False, ax = ax)
ax5 = threshold5.plot.line(x = 'YEARMONTH', y = 'control_ncust', color='g',
↪ figsize=(7, 5), use_index=False, ax = ax)

# Other plot features
plt.legend(loc = "upper left", bbox_to_anchor=(1.0, 1.0))
titlestr = 'Trial Store ' + str(trial) + ' and Control Store ' +
↪ str(control) + ' in the Trial Period'
ax.set_title(titlestr)
plt.show()

```





It looks like the number of customers is significantly higher in all of the three months for store 77 and 86. This seems to suggest that the trial had a significant impact on increasing the number

of customers in trial store 86 but as we saw, the statistical significance in the total sales were not as large, compared to store 77. We should check with the Category Manager if there were special deals in the trial store that were may have resulted in lower prices, impacting the results. Likewise to when considering the total sales, there appears to be no significant different in the number of customers between the control and trial stores for store 88 over the trial period.

## 0.1 Conclusion

In this task, we found that the results for trial stores 77 and 86 showed a statistically significant difference in at least two stores of the three months of the trial period. However, this was not the case for store 88. We can check to see if the trial was implemented differently in store 88 but even so, we have been able to see that the trial has resulted in a significant increase in sales.

[ ]: