Scoring - Marketing applications

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Definition:

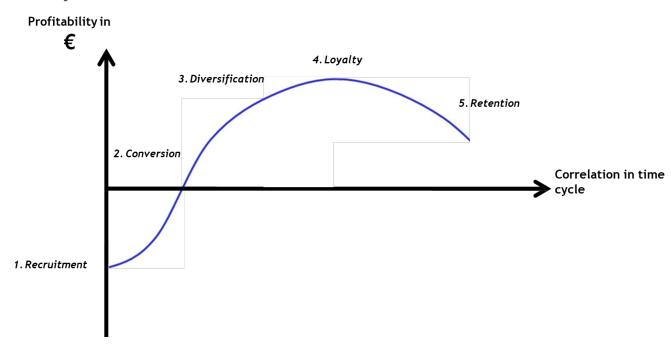
"Marketing is the set of tools made available to a company to increase its revenue through the sale of products/services to its customers."

It includes all the steps involved in the sale of a product/service: development,
 pricing, communication, distribution of the product.

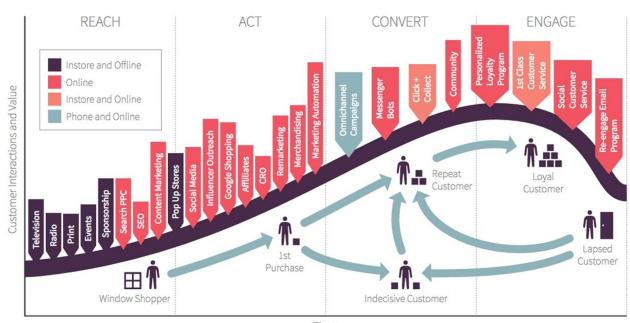
- The four P's of marketing:
 - Product: characteristics, specificities, quality...
 - Place: which distribution network
 - Price: tariff positioning compared to other products
 - Promotion: advertising, communication, discounts...

- Customer-centric marketing:
 - "Know your customers well to better serve them"
- CRM (Customer Relationship Management)
 - All marketing measures/operations aimed at optimizing the quality of customer relations, building loyalty and maximizing revenue or margin per customer
- CRM database
 - All information related to customers (personal info., interactions, transaction history, source of the leads, website visits...)

Customer life cycle

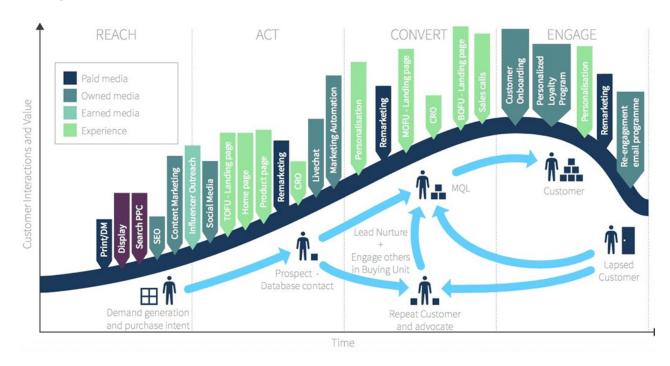


Customer life cycle - B2C (Business to Customer)



Time

Customer life cycle - B2B (Business to Business)

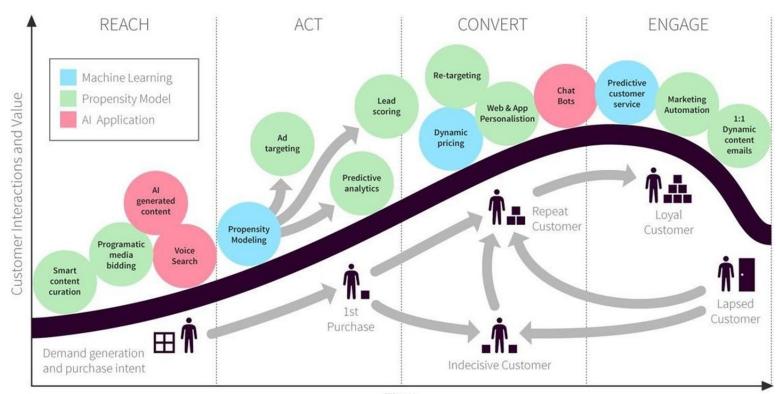


Statistics applications in marketing

- Demand analysis and forecasting
 - Predict the demand across time (seasonality, price, competitors, economical context...)
- Pricing optimization
 - Measure the price elasticity to fix the right price
- Optimization of the product distribution
 - Analysis of the performance of different types of POS, (supply chain + operational research)

- Customer knowledge and personal communication
 - Customer segmentation and customers' behaviors
 - Customer lifetime value or potential
 - Probability to churn
 - Satisfaction vs dissatisfaction
 - Propensity to purchase
 - Preferred communication channel
 - Communication frequency
 - Impact of marketing campaigns
 - Product recommendation

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Time

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Credit

- There are twice as many loans for red cars worth more than €15,000 in the Paris region than the national average
- People with @hotmail.fr email address are riskier than people with @orange.fr email address on average, mainly because it is a signal for the age of the customer

- Retail

- Customers who received a significant discount on their first purchase and whose purchases show little diversification in the first half of the year are five times more likely not to renew their loyalty card
- Luxury: Chinese customers tend to purchase higher amount but with a lower frequency than US customers

Scoring applications in marketing

- Scoring aims to order observations according to their probability to be in the target.
- Often about predicting a future behavior -> need to think about train / test periods (seasonality, data history depth, target period calculation...)
- Main use cases in marketing:
 - Churn
 - Conversion probability
 - Risk

Scoring applications in marketing

- Churn
- Lead conversion probability
- Customer conversion probability
- Risk

Churn

- Goal
 - Identify customers that are likely to leave and target them in campaigns
- Widely used in subscription services (phone, internet, streaming, etc.)
- Methodology
 - Define a time frame ("will the customer churn within 6 months?")
 - Use samples of churned and non-churned customers, given the time frame
 - Include demographic and transactional data
 - Run classification algorithms on the data
 - Use the score as threshold for campaigns

Lead conversion probability

- Goal
 - Identify leads that are likely to become customers to prioritize them
- Often used with CLTV (customer lifetime value) predictions
- Methodology
 - Define a time frame ("will the lead become a customer within 6 months?")
 - Use samples of converted and unconverted leads, given the time frame
 - Include demographic and contact data
 - Run classification algorithms on the data
 - Use the score to prioritize sales efforts

Customer conversion probability

- Goal
 - Identify customers that are likely to buy a specific product/service
- Methodology
 - Define a time frame ("will the customer use the service within 6 months?")
 - Use samples of converted and unconverted customers, given the time frame
 - Include demographic and transactional data
 - Run classification algorithms on the data
 - Use the score to prioritize marketing campaigns

Risk

- Goal
 - Identify customers that are likely to default
- Methodology
 - Use samples of defaulted and non-defaulted customers, given the time frame
 - Include demographic and transactional data
 - Run classification algorithms on the data
 - Use the score to screen customers and/or to apply optimal interest rates

How to set up a data project

- 1. Understanding business concern
- 2. Data understanding
- 3. Data preparation
- Establishment of a model
- 5. Assessment Test
- 6. Deployment

How to set up a data project

- 1. Understanding business concern
 - a. Context description
 - b. Defining objectives and criteria of success
 - c. Inventory of available resources
- Data understanding
 - a. Collecting data
 - b. Description / Exploration
 - c. Quality control
- 3. Data preparation
 - a. Selection of necessary data for the study
 - b. Construction
 - c Consolidation
- Establishment of a model
 - a. Choosing the technique(s) to solve the problem
 - b. Choosing the best model
- 5. Assessment Test
 - a. Applying the model on the test sample
 - b. Checking the classification
- 6. Deployment
 - a. Definition of deployment rules
 - b. Analysis of the results / recommendations for actions

- Data sources in companies
 - Databases (SQL)
 - .xlsx/.csv files
- Data sources for personal/academic projects
 - Kaggle
 - UCI Machine Learning Repository
 - US Government
 - French Government
- Data to enrich original data (public or paid APIs)
 - Weather
 - Economic
 - Demographic

Food delivery customers dataset

Feature	Description
AcceptedCmp1	1 if costumer accepted the offer in the 1 st campaign, 0 otherwise
AcceptedCmp2	1 if costumer accepted the offer in the 2 nd campaign, 0 otherwise
AcceptedCmp3	1 if costumer accepted the offer in the 3 rd campaign, 0 otherwise
AcceptedCmp4	1 if costumer accepted the offer in the 4 th campaign, 0 otherwise
AcceptedCmp5	1 if costumer accepted the offer in the 5 th campaign, 0 otherwise
Response (target)	1 if costumer accepted the offer in the last campaign, 0 otherwise
Complain	1 if costumer complained in the last 2 years
DtCustomer	date of customer's enrollment with the company
Education	customer's level of education
Marital	customer's marital status
Kidhome	number of small children in customer's household
Teenhome	number of teenagers in customer's household
Income	customer's yearly household income
MntFishProducts	amount spent on fish products in the last 2 years
MntMeatProducts	amount spent on meat products in the last 2 years
MntFruits	amount spent on fruits in the last 2 years
MntSweetProducts	amount spent on sweet products in the last 2 years
MntWines	amount spent on wines in the last 2 years
MntGoldProds	amount spent on gold products in the last 2 years
NumDealsPurchases	number of purchases made with discount
NumCatalogPurchases	number of purchases made using catalogue
NumStorePurchases	number of purchases made directly in stores
NumWebPurchases	number of purchases made through company's web site
NumWebVisitsMonth	number of visits to company's web site in the last month
Recency	number of days since the last purchase

Bank marketing dataset

Bank client data:

- Age (numeric)
- Job: type of job (categorical: 'admin.', 'blue-collar', 'entrepreneur', 'housemaid', 'management', 'retired', 'self-employed', 'services', 'student', 'technician', 'unemployed', 'unknown')
- Marital: marital status (categorical: 'divorced', 'married', 'single', 'unknown'; note: 'divorced' means divorced or widowed)
- Education (categorical: 'basic.4y', 'basic.6y', 'basic.9y', 'high.school', 'illiterate', 'professional.course', 'university.degree', 'unknown')
- Default: has credit in default? (categorical: 'no', 'yes', 'unknown')
- Housing: has housing loan? (categorical: 'no', 'yes', 'unknown')
- Loan: has personal loan? (categorical: 'no', 'yes', 'unknown')

Related with the last contact of the current campaign:

- Contact: contact communication type (categorical: 'cellular', 'telephone')
- Month: last contact month of year (categorical: 'jan', 'feb', 'mar', ..., 'nov', 'dec')
- Dayofweek: last contact day of the week (categorical: 'mon', 'tue', 'wed', 'thu', 'fri')
- Duration: last contact duration, in seconds (numeric). Important note: this attribute highly affects the output target (e.g., if duration=0 then y='no'). Yet, the duration is not known before a call is performed. Also, after the end of the call y is obviously known. Thus, this input should only be included for benchmark purposes and should be discarded if the intention is to have a realistic predictive model.

Other attributes:

- Campaign: number of contacts performed during this campaign and for this client (numeric, includes last contact)
- Pdays: number of days that passed by after the client was last contacted from a previous campaign (numeric; 999 means client was not previously contacted)
- Previous: number of contacts performed before this campaign and for this client (numeric)
- Poutcome: outcome of the previous marketing campaign (categorical: 'failure','nonexistent','success')

Telco churn dataset

Context

"Predict behavior to retain customers. You can analyze all relevant customer data and develop focused customer retention programs." [IBM Sample Data Sets]

Content

Each row represents a customer, each column contains customer's attributes described on the column Metadata.

The data set includes information about:

- Customers who left within the last month the column is called Churn
- Services that each customer has signed up for phone, multiple lines, internet, online security, online backup, device protection, tech support, and streaming TV and movies
- Customer account information how long they've been a customer, contract, payment method, paperless billing, monthly charges, and total charges
- Demographic info about customers gender, age range, and if they have partners and dependents

Lead scoring dataset

Variables Description

- Prospect ID A unique ID with which the customer is identified.
- Lead Number A lead number assigned to each lead procured.
- Lead Origin The origin identifier with which the customer was identified to be a lead. Includes API, Landing Page Submission, etc.
- Lead Source The source of the lead. Includes Google, Organic Search, Olark Chat, etc.
- Do Not Email -An indicator variable selected by the customer wherein they select whether of not they want to be emailed about the course or not.
- Do Not Call An indicator variable selected by the customer wherein they select whether of not they want to be called about the course or not.
- Converted The target variable. Indicates whether a lead has been successfully converted or not.
- TotalVisits The total number of visits made by the customer on the website.
- Total Time Spent on Website The total time spent by the customer on the website.
- Page Views Per Visit Average number of pages on the website viewed during the visits.
- Last Activity Last activity performed by the customer. Includes Email Opened, Olark Chat Conversation, etc.
- Country The country of the customer.
- Specialization The industry domain in which the customer worked before. Includes the level 'Select Specialization' which means the customer
 had not selected this option while filling the form.
- How did you hear about X Education The source from which the customer heard about X Education.
- What is your current occupation Indicates whether the customer is a student, umemployed or employed.
- What matters most to you in choosing this course An option selected by the customer indicating what is their main motto behind doing this course.
- Search Indicating whether the customer had seen the ad in any of the listed items.
- Magazine

Project brief

How to set up a data project

- 1. Find a data source and define the problem
- 2. Validate step 1 with us
- 3. Analyse the data
- 4. Transform the variables
- 5. Apply scoring models
- 6. Iterate
- 7. Create visualizations
- 8. Present your project