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# Segmentation - Cluster Analysis Basic Training



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# Objectives

- Understand the role of Segmentation
- Familiarize with the Segmentation process
- Learn about Cluster Analysis
- Familiarize with the ADT Cluster Analysis process

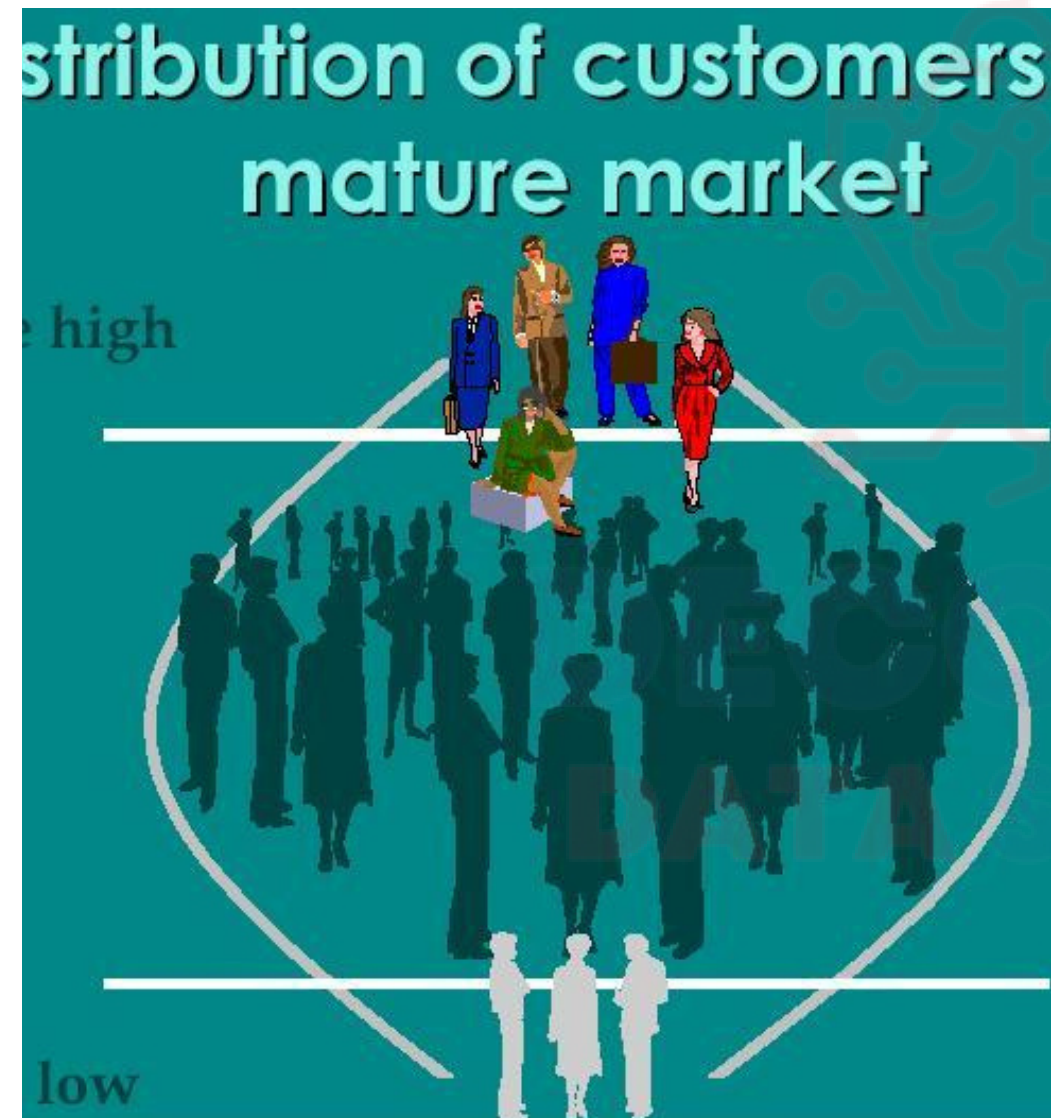


# What is Segmentation?

- Involves division of cases into homogeneous groups for Niche Marketing purposes.
- This method helps to optimize specific product/service offerings
- Segments are created to minimize inherent differences between cases within each segment and maximize differences between each segment.
- These segments will respond differently to promotions, communications and advertising.



# Customer Based Segmentation

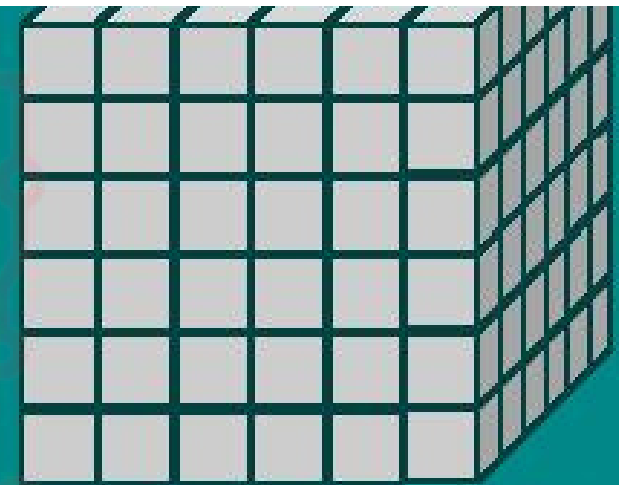


- Customers at one extreme are largely insensitive to price and customers at the other extreme are very sensitive to price
- In the middle is a large group of customers for whom competitors will all too readily assume that price is their main requirement - but this is not the case
- A lack of understanding by suppliers about real needs of customers forces them to trade on price
- Through Market Segmentation, they can avoid the commodity trap by understanding the real needs of customers at an earlier stage and develop their offers accordingly

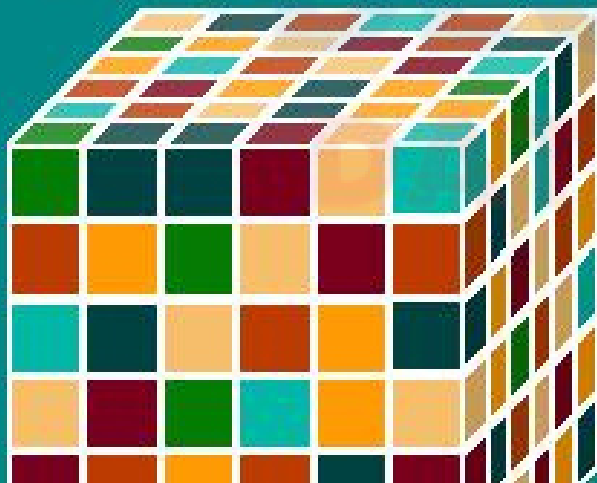
# Segments - To Be Identified



1. No market is totally homogeneous



2. The reality is, markets consist of a number of purchase combinations

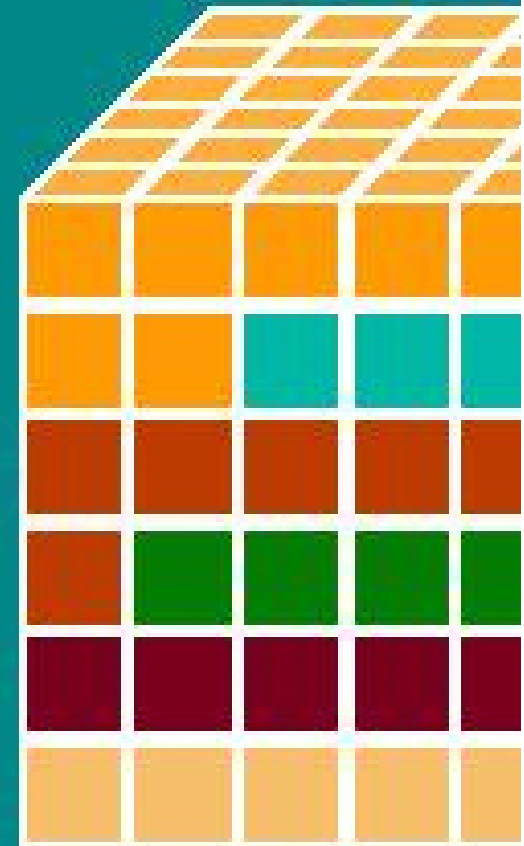
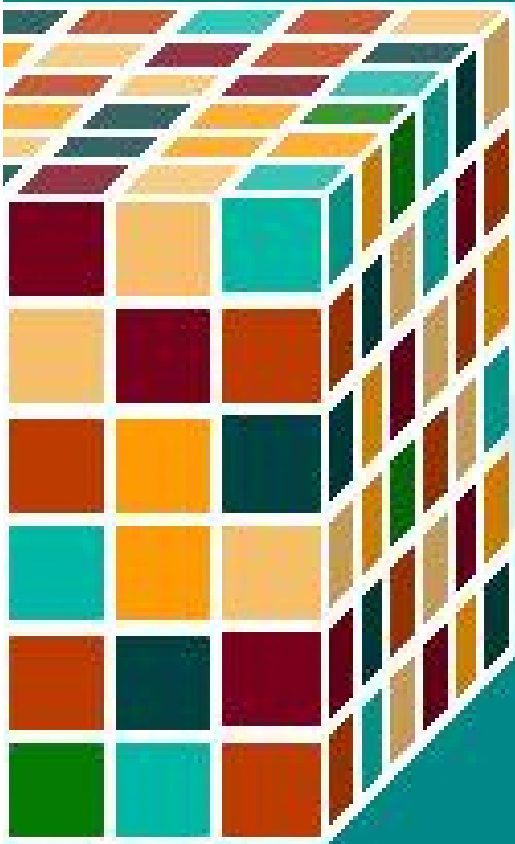


3. And by understanding the benefits being sought we can explain different



# Segmentation - Achieved

All we need to  
do now is bring  
like-minded  
customers ...  
... together  
DATA to form our  
segments





# **Market Segmentation Techniques**

- **Cross-Tabulations**
- **Objective Segmentation - CHAID/CART Methods**
- **Subjective Segmentation - Cluster Analysis**
- **Discriminant Factor Analysis (Predictive Segmentation)**



# Advantages of Segmentation

- **Easier Marketing**
  - It is easier to identify and address the needs of smaller groups of customers, particularly if they have many characteristics in common.
- **Find Niches**
  - Identify under-served or un-served groups.
- **Efficient**
  - Allows more efficient use of marketing resources by focusing the best strategies on the best segments for your offering in terms of product, price, promotion, and place



# Segmentation Analysis Steps

## **i. Data Analysis (DA)**

- 1. Data Discovery**
- 2. Data Cleaning**
- 3. Exploratory Analysis**

## **ii. Segmentation Model Plan (SMP)**

- 1. Variable Selection/Creation (For Segmentation/Profiling)**
- 2. Outlier Treatment**
- 3. Value Standardization**
- 4. Factor Analysis**
- 5. Cluster Analysis**
  - i. Hierarchical - Agglomerative & Divisive Methods (SPSS/SAS)**
  - ii. K-Means Algorithm (SPSS/SAS)**
  - iii. Two-Step Clustering (SPSS)**
  - iv. Expectation Maximization Algorithm (Latent Gold)**
- 6. Segments Evaluation**
  - i. Clustering Solutions**
  - ii. Profiling/Descriptive Reports**
  - iii. Cross-Tabulations/Graphic Insights**



# **SMP - Cluster Analysis (Overview)**

- **Description**
  - **A multivariate process by which objects in the data are classified into different groups based on a pre-determined selection criterion**
  - **The idea is to obtain well formed groups that are actionable from a business perspective □ They should inform the supplier about how to build/modify a marketing strategy to cater to the needs of each identified segment of the population**
- **Factors Affecting Goodness of Clusters**
  - **Variables used for clustering**
  - **Type of clustering method used**
  - **Number of clusters formed**
  - **Size of clusters**
  - **Homogeneity within each cluster**
  - **Heterogeneity between clusters**



# **SMP - Sample Clustering Algorithm (K-Means)**

## **Description:**

- A non-hierarchical process following combined methods of parallel threshold and optimization techniques

## **Process:**

- Assume some number of clusters  $K$  in the data
- Initialize the clusters by assigning each an initial mean value (the centroid of the cluster)
- Using these cluster means, classify each example in the data set according to which cluster it is closest to (has with the closest mean)
- Using these classifications, compute a new mean value for each cluster by simply averaging the data currently in that cluster
- Repeat last 2 steps until convergence (classifications and mean stop changing)



# SMP - CHAID Analysis

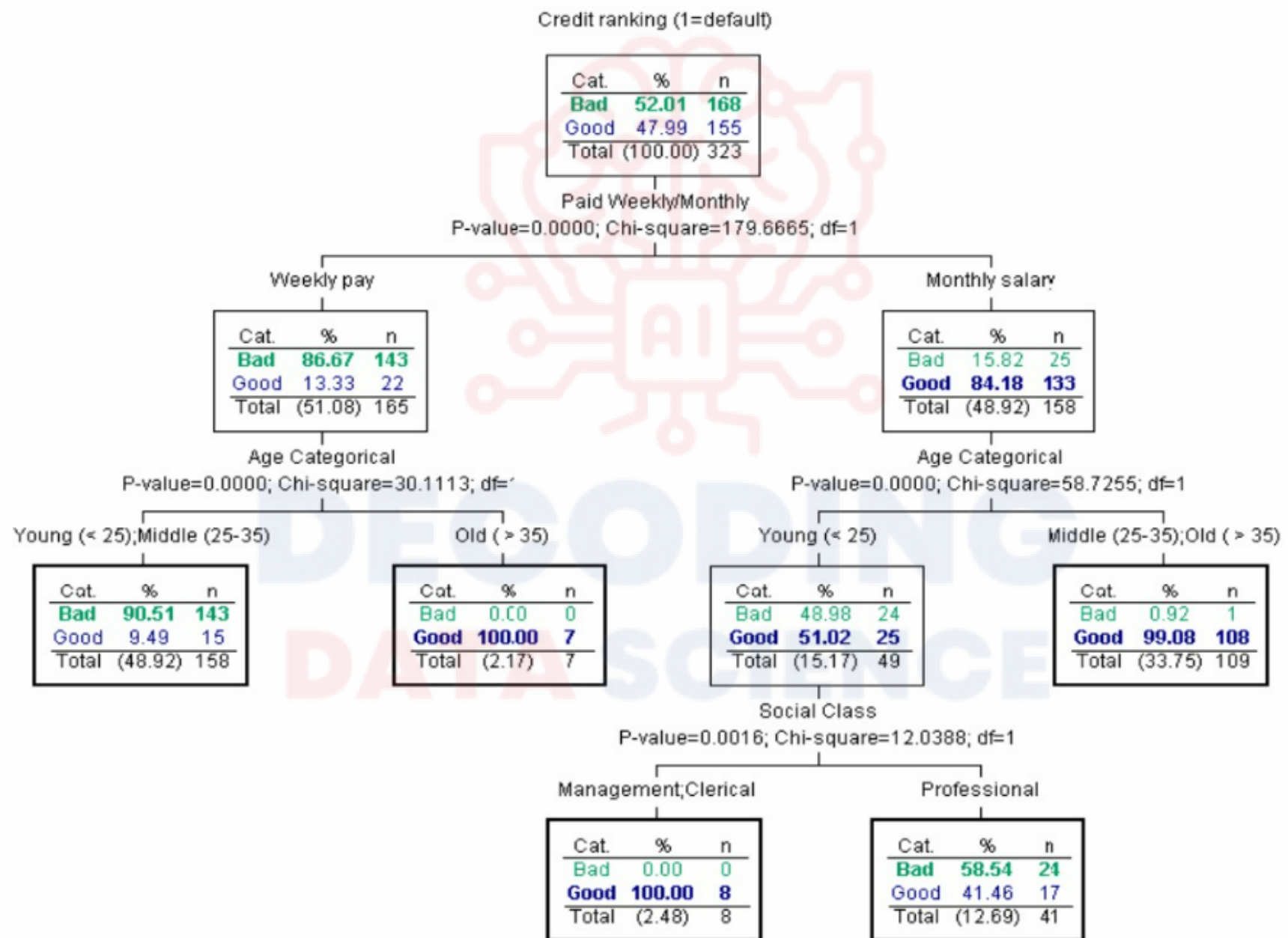
## Description:

- **CHAID - Chi-Square Automatic Interaction Detector**
- **Exploratory/Objective method - Used to study the relationship between a dependent variable and a series of predictor variables**

## Process:

- **CHAID modeling selects a set of predictors and their interactions that optimally predict the dependent measure.**
- **The developed model is a Classification Tree (CF Tree), or Data Partitioning Tree**
  - **Shows how major "types" formed from the independent variables differentially predict a criterion or dependent variable.**

# SMP - Sample CHAID Result





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