



First-Touch Last-Touch Attribution – CoolTshirts.com

Learn SQL from Scratch

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1. Getting Familiar with CoolTshirts.com

1.1 Campaigns and Sources

How many campaigns and sources does CoolTshirts.com use and how are they related?

- By querying the data we were able to determine there are eight unique campaigns.
- I was also able to determine there are six unique sources.
- The relationship between the sources and campaigns is also show in the below table and code.
- I was able to answer all three of the questions for question one with one code.

```
SELECT utm_source, utm_campaign,  
COUNT(utm_campaign) AS 'visits attributed'  
FROM page_visits  
GROUP BY utm_campaign;
```

SOURCE	CAMPAIGN	VISITS ATTRIBUTED
google	cool-tshirts-search	313
nytimes	getting-to-know-cool-tshirts	1349
medium	interview-with-cool-tshirts-founder	1178
google	paid-search	231
facebook	retargetting-ad	558
email	retargetting-campaign	300
buzzfeed	ten-crazy-cool-tshirts-facts	1198
email	weekly-newsletter	565

1.2 What Kind of Pages Are on CoolTshirts.com?

This question was asking what pages we could expect when visiting CoolTshirts.com

- It is essential for us to answer this on the first question because we need to have an understanding of the user flow before we begin analyzing the attribution.
- We were able to determine by querying the data that there are 4 unique pages on CoolTshirts.com

```
SELECT DISTINCT page_name  
FROM page_visits;
```

Distinct Page Names

1 – landing_page

2 – shopping_cart

3 – checkout

4 – purchase

2. What is The User Journey?

2.1 How Many First Touches is Each Campaign Responsible For?

We must use a First Touch query here to return the desired result.

- I modified a first touch query from the lesson to return the below results.
- My query used to do so is in the right panel.
- The interview on medium is responsible for driving the most traffic to CoolTshirts.com

Source	Campaign	First Touches
google	cool-tshirts-search	169
nytimes	getting-to-know-cool-tshirts	612
medium	interview-with-cool-tshirts-founder	622
buzzfeed	ten-crazy-cool-tshirts-facts	576

```
WITH first_touch AS (  
  SELECT user_id,  
         MIN(timestamp) as first_touch_at  
  FROM page_visits  
  GROUP BY user_id)  
SELECT pv.utm_source as 'Source',  
       pv.utm_campaign as 'Campaign',  
       count(ft.user_id) as 'First Touches'  
FROM first_touch ft  
JOIN page_visits pv  
ON ft.user_id = pv.user_id  
AND ft.first_touch_at = pv.timestamp  
group by pv.utm_campaign;
```

2.2 How Many Last Touches is Each Campaign Responsible For?

We must use a Last Touch query here to return the desired result.

- I modified a Last touch query from the lesson to return the below results.
- My query used to do so is in the below panel.
- The weekly newsletter sent by email is driving the most last touch traffic to CoolTshirts.com

```
WITH last_touch AS (  
  SELECT user_id,  
    Max(timestamp) as last_touch_at  
  FROM page_visits  
  GROUP BY user_id)  
SELECT pv.utm_source as 'Source',  
  pv.utm_campaign as 'Campaign',  
  count(lt.user_id) as 'Last Touches'  
FROM last_touch lt  
JOIN page_visits pv  
ON lt.user_id = pv.user_id  
AND lt.last_touch_at = pv.timestamp  
group by pv.utm_campaign;
```

Source	Campaign	Last Touches
google	cool-tshirts-search	60
nytimes	getting-to-know-cool-tshirts	232
medium	interview-with-cool-tshirts-founder	184
google	paid-search	178
facebook	retargetting-ad	443
email	retargetting-campaign	245
buzzfeed	ten-crazy-cool-tshirts-facts	190
email	weekly-newsletter	447

2.3 How Many Visitors Make a Purchase?

To answer this question we simply just need to do a distinct search for user ids that made it to the purchase page.

- Below are the users that made a purchase after visiting CoolTshirts.com
- The total number of users that made a purchase is 361
- The query used to generate this result is in the right panel.

Unique Purchases
361

```
SELECT COUNT (DISTINCT (user_id)) AS 'Unique  
Purchases',  
FROM page_visits  
WHERE page_name = '4 - purchase';
```

2.4 How Many Last Touches on the Purchase Page is Each Campaign Responsible For?

We must use a Last Touch query here to return the desired result.

- I modified a Last touch query from the lesson to return the below results.
- My query used to do so is in the below panel.
- The weekly newsletter sent by email is responsible for the most purchases. It would be wise for them to reinvest in this campaign.

```
WITH last_touch AS (  
  SELECT user_id,  
    Max(timestamp) as last_touch_at  
  FROM page_visits  
  GROUP BY user_id)  
SELECT pv.utm_source as 'Source',  
  pv.utm_campaign as 'Campaign',  
  count(lt.user_id) as 'Purchases'  
FROM last_touch lt  
JOIN page_visits pv  
ON lt.user_id = pv.user_id  
AND lt.last_touch_at = pv.timestamp  
where pv.page_name is '4 - purchase'  
group by pv.utm_campaign;
```

Source	Campaign	Purchases
google	cool-tshirts-search	2
nytimes	getting-to-know-cool-tshirts	9
medium	interview-with-cool-tshirts-founder	7
google	paid-search	52
facebook	retargetting-ad	112
email	retargetting-campaign	53
buzzfeed	ten-crazy-cool-tshirts-facts	9
email	weekly-newsletter	114

3. Campaign Reinvestment Plan

3.1 Which Campaigns Should CoolTshirt.com Reinvest in and Why?

CoolTshirt.com can only reinvest in 5 campaigns going forward, which should it choose?

- The two obvious campaigns that jump out are the **weekly newsletter sent out by email** and the **retargeting ad on Facebook**.
- These two are must haves when choosing to reinvest as they make up for over 60% of purchases.
- The next two are the **google paid search** campaign and the **email retargeting ad**.
- These two make up for roughly 30% of the total purchases.
- The fifth one to reinvest in is a toss up, but personally I would suggest the **nytimes getting to know cool shirts** campaign.
- It is my opinion that it would be valuable to get a real profile out there from a trusted news site.

Source	Campaign	Purchases
email	weekly-newsletter	114
facebook	retargeting-ad	112
email	retargeting-campaign	53
google	paid-search	52
nytimes	getting-to-know-cool-tshirts	9
buzzfeed	ten-crazy-cool-tshirts-facts	9
medium	interview-with-cool-tshirts-founder	7
google	cool-tshirts-search	2