# **Predicting Catalog Demand**

# **Step 1: Business and Data Understanding**

#### What decisions need to be made?

The company wants to send catalogs to new customers but it has to be predicted whether those cutomers will be interested in catalog or not. If and only if, the profit is predicted to be more than \$10,000, then only catalogs are to be send.

#### What data is needed to inform those decisions?

We are assigned with two datasets. In the first one, we have a list of 2,300 customers and average sales generated from them.

**p1-customers.xlsx** - This dataset includes the following information on about 2,300 customers

**p1-mailinglist.xlsx** - This dataset is the 250 customers that you need to predict sales. This is the list of customers that the company would send a catalog to.

Only when the profit will be above \$10,000, company will send the catalogs. It was to predict that will new customers will become a lead and generate the company's expected profit.

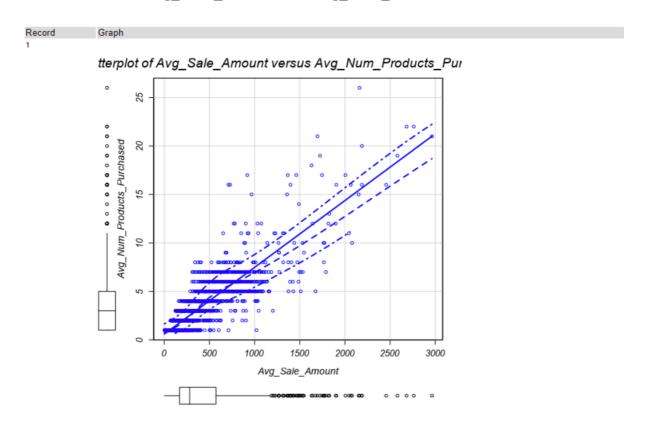
## Step 2: Analysis, Modelling, and Validation

I have used target variable as "Avg\_Sale\_Amount" while the predictors include "Avg\_Num\_Products\_Purchased" and "Customer Segment".

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	-663.8	-67.3		-1.9	70.7	971.			
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			Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )			
	(Intercept)		303.46	10.576		< 2.2e-16 ***			
	Customer_SegmentLoyalty Club Only		-149.36	8.973	-16.65	< 2.2e-16 ***			
	Customer_SegmentLoyalty Club and Credit Card		281.84	11.910	23.66	< 2.2e-16 ***			
	Customer_SegmentStore Mailing List		-245.42	9.768	-25.13	< 2.2e-16 ***			
	Avg_Num_Products_Purchased		66.98	1.515	44.21	< 2.2e-16 ***			
	Significance codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.02								
	Residual standard error: 137.48 on 2370 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.8369, Adjusted R-Squared: 0.8366 F-statistic: 3040 on 4 and 2370 degrees of freedom (DF), p-value < 2.2e-16								
	Type II ANOVA Analysis								
10	Response: Avg_Sale_Amount								
			Sum Sq	DF	F value	Pr(>F)			
	Customer_Segment		28715078.96	3	506.4	< 2.2e-16 ***			
	Avg_Num_Products_Purchased		36939582.5	1	1954.31	< 2.2e-16 ***			
	Residuals		44796869.07	2370					

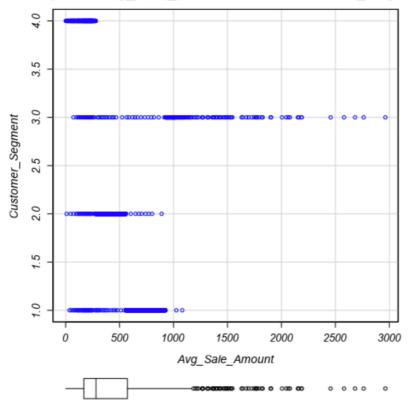
These predictors were chosen because of their **p-values** which is far less than 0.05 and **Adjusted-R Squared** is 0.8366.

## Relation between Avg\_Sales\_Amount and Avg\_Num\_Prodcuts Purchased



Relation between Avg\_Sales\_Amount and Customer Segment





## **Linear Regression Equation**

Expected\_Avg\_Sale\_Amount= 303.46 + (-149.36)\*(Customer Segment: Loyalty Club Only) + (281.84)\*(Customer Segment: Loyalty Club and Credit Card Only) + (-245.42)\*(Customer Segment: Store Mailing List) + (66.98)\*(Avg\_Num\_Products\_Purchased)

# **Step 3: Presentation/Visualization**

What is your recommendation?

The company should send these 250 catalogs to the new customers.

## How did I come up with the recommendation?

Predicted\_Average\_Sales= Expected\_Avg\_Sale\_Amount \* Score\_Yes

What is the expected profit from the new catalog (assuming the catalog is sent to these 250 customers)?

Profit= (Predicted\_Average\_Sales \* 0.5) – (Cost of Catalog \* 250)

#### Where Cost of Catalog is \$6.50

### The profit came out to be \$21,987.435

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# Alteryx Workflow:

