# Fall 2021 Data Science Intern Challenge

### **Assumptions:**

Data set is as is and does not have any issues: No issues such as formatting, lack of headers and incorrect data types, headers were verified in the excel spreadsheet

All data in the imported set is valid for importation purposes.

All order amount values are in the same currency.

All shop\_ids and user\_ids have been entered correctly.

NOTE: Some tasks were performed outside of this python script, for information that was easily analysed from the google docs file, using excel formulas and sorting the data such as: Date range verification - all dates are in March of the same year.

Some resources used to solve this problem: https://www.shopify.ca/blog/average-order-value (https://www.shopify.ca/blog/average-order-value); https://www.optimizely.com/optimizationglossary/average-order-value/ (https://www.optimizely.com/optimization-glossary/average-ordervalue/); https://www.bigcommerce.ca/ecommerce-answers/what-average-order-value/ (https://www.bigcommerce.ca/ecommerce-answers/what-average-order-value/)

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In [424]:
          #define the list of the dataset from the google docs file
           data source = "https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/16i38oonuX1y1g7C UAmi
           #import data as a csv
           data_set = pd.read_csv(data_source)
           print("This is the data set being used:\n", data_set, "\n")
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           4999
                 2017-03-18 15:48:18
```

The code above shows that there are 5000 rows of data ant 7 columns, with the correct headers, verifying the data was imported correctly from the google docs file

[5000 rows x 7 columns]

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In [425]: #given the somewhat large data set, convert from a dictionary to data frame
    data_set = pd.DataFrame(data_set)

In [426]: #calculate an integer value for the number of rows (orders) in the data set
    num_orders = len(data_set)

#calculate an integer value for the revenue
    total_rev = sum(data_set.order_amount)

In [427]: AOV = total_rev / num_orders
    print("\nAOV =", AOV)
```

AOV = 3145.128

#### **Analysing the Data**

The average order value is verified to have been calculated correctly, with a rounded value of \$3145, as in the problem defintion. With this, I can rule out the possibility of any arithmetic issues.

However, it is known that there is an issue with the data (from the problem statement), so first thing to do is ensure the data is valid by analysing the relevant columns. The shop\_ids and the user\_ids are correct, so is the created at date

I will now check the following respectively:

- order\_id: To ensure that they are unique
- 2. price, using order\_amount and total\_items to calculate the unit price for analysis
- 3. quantity of items ordered

After this, I will recalculate the AOV and look at other values that can be used to measure the business growth, comparing them to the original data set and the corrected data set

#### 1. Validating the order\_ids

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In [428]: #1. Validating that the order_ids are unique
val_order_id_set = set(data_set.order_id)
if len(val_order_id_set) != len(data_set.order_id):
    print("\nDuplicates exist\n")
else: print("\nThere are not duplicates in the order_id\n")
```

There are not duplicates in the order id

## 2. Analysing the price

In [429]: #2. To analyse the price, I will breakdown the order amount to unit price #This will tell me the price charged for a single shoe for each order #allowing a better understanding of the data set unit\_price = data\_set.order\_amount / data\_set.total\_items In [430]: #update the data set to include the unit cost data\_set['unit\_price'] = unit\_price **#Verify** the data set print("\nThis is the new data\_set with the unit price of a shoe included:\n This is the new data\_set with the unit price of a shoe included: order id shop id user id order amount total items payment meth od 746 1 53 224 2 0 cas h 1 2 92 925 90 1 cas h 2 3 44861 1441 cas h 3 18 935 156 1 credit car d 4 5 18 883 156 1 credit\_car d . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4996 73 4995 993 330 2 debi 4996 4997 48 789 234 2 cas h 4997 4998 56 867 351 3 cas 4998 60 825 2 4999 354 credit car d 4999 5000 44 734 288 2 debi t created\_at unit\_price 0 2017-03-13 12:36:56 112.0 2017-03-03 17:38:52 1 90.0 2 2017-03-14 4:23:56 144.0 3 2017-03-26 12:43:37 156.0 2017-03-01 4:35:11 156.0 . . . 4995 2017-03-30 13:47:17 165.0 4996 2017-03-16 20:36:16 117.0 4997 2017-03-19 5:42:42 117.0 4998 2017-03-16 14:51:18 177.0 4999 2017-03-18 15:48:18 144.0

The data set includes the unit price now.

[5000 rows x 8 columns]

To visualise the data better (instead of going through each row) I will plot the unit\_price against shop\_id

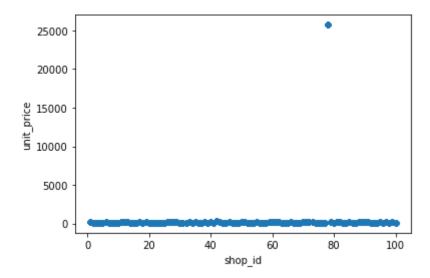
NOTE: In excel, I sorted by unit price and noticed there was an abnormally high unit price

This plot here is to visualise the data for better understanding

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In [431]: #Each shop, since selling only one model of shoe charges the same price for
#NOTE: I chose to plot the unit_price against the shop_id because there are
#giving me an independent variable with fixed values.

data_set.plot(x ='shop_id', y='unit_price', kind = 'scatter')
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Out[431]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='shop\_id', ylabel='unit\_price'>



From this plot, we can see that there is a single major outlier in the data set, where the price is about 25000 per unit (for a shoe).

I will now filter for the shop\_ids that have the unit price >20000 (using the data from the plot) and group them by unit\_price and shop\_id

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In [432]: unit_price_large = data_set.loc[data_set.unit_price > 20000]
    unit_price_large_grouped = unit_price_large.groupby(["shop_id", "unit_price
    print(unit_price_large_grouped)

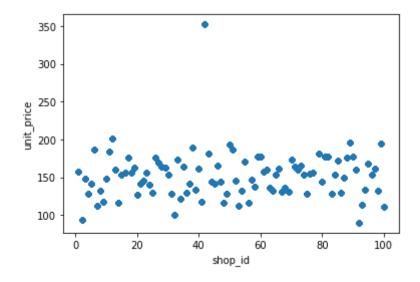
shop_id unit_price
    78     25725.0     46
Name: shop id, dtype: int64
```

From the data set grouped by unit price and shop id, it shows that the unit\_price of 25725 appears to be incorrect or a unique outlier This also corellates with the shop ID 78 only, showing that only this shop has the issue in the data set, which I will exclude for purposes of accuracy, given how large it is compared to the other values

NOTE: This step assumes that the unit\_price of 25725 is either incorrect - from a bug, from incorrect data entry or a unique outlier This high unit value would skew the results towards a higher AOV value, due to the relatively high revenue

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In [433]: #Correcting the data set to exclude the outlier price.
data_set_corrected = data_set.loc[data_set.shop_id != 78]
data_set_corrected.plot(x ='shop_id', y='unit_price', kind = 'scatter')
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Out[433]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='shop\_id', ylabel='unit\_price'>



For further comparison, I will calculate the standaer deviation for the original data set and compare it to the corrected data set.

```
In [434]: print('The original data unit_price has a standard deviation of:',data_set.
print('The corrected data unit_price has a standard deviation of:',data_set
```

The original data unit\_price has a standard deviation of: 2441.9637253684 546

The corrected data unit\_price has a standard deviation of: 31.26021753289 639

The corrected data set now appears more within reason

### 3. Analysing the quantity of shoes ordered

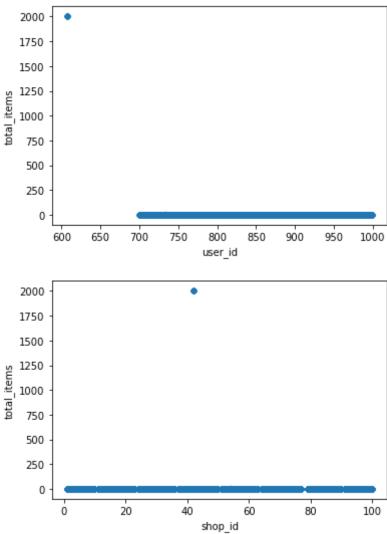
Data set grouped by the total items, counting how many times the same quantity of shoes were purchased:

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total items
1
        1811
2
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          932
4
          292
5
           77
6
            8
            1
2000
           17
Name: total_items, dtype: int64
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From this data, there appears to be a relatively large quantity of shoes (2000) ordered 17 times, when compared to the other number of orders ranging from 1 - 8, this data is clearly an outlier.

This may be a large retailer that buys a fixed amount of shoes with every purchace. Analysing the date data did not show a trend in the order dates, but showed that they ordered the same quantity each time. I will plot the total\_items against the user id and shop id Note: I intuitively chose user\_id and shop id here because the users are placing the orders and the shops are fulfilling them. I tested this plot with other values, such as unit\_cost and decided the user\_id and shop\_id showed the data best

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In [436]: data_set_corrected.plot(x ='user_id', y='total_items', kind = 'scatter')
    data_set_corrected.plot(x ='shop_id', y='total_items', kind = 'scatter')
Out[436]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='shop_id', ylabel='total_items'>
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I will now create a dataset with the data where the total\_items ordered is 2000, for further analysis, to see if there is a trend with the user\_id or shop\_id, or a relationship between both.

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In [437]: #Dataset with high orders
          total items large = data set corrected.loc[data set corrected.total items =
          #grouped by user id only
          total items large groupedu = total items large.groupby(["user id"])["total
          #grouped by shop id only
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          #grouped by both user id and shop id
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          print(total items large groupeds,'\n')
          print(total_items_large_groupedus,'\n')
          user id
          607
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          Name: total items, dtype: int64
          shop_id
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Name: total\_items, dtype: int64

Name: total items, dtype: int64

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user id shop id 42

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Inspecting the data further in excel, looking at the total items column, one thing to notice is the large total\_items ordered come from a single shop ID 42, and user ID 607,

Given that all these orders were from a single store, it could be that these orders were made by a customer that regularly buys the same amount of shoes wholesale as previously mentioned

It is important to note that this shop sold at other quantities to other customers, and only user 607 ordered such a large amount each time.

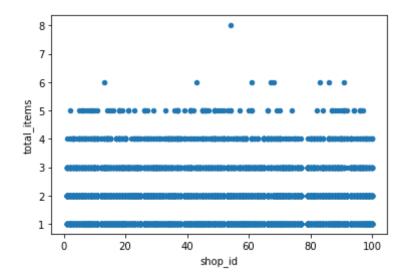
Thus using this customer to calculate the AOV or other groth tracking values (such as the modal value) will skew the data higher As such, I have decided to also exclude it from the data set.

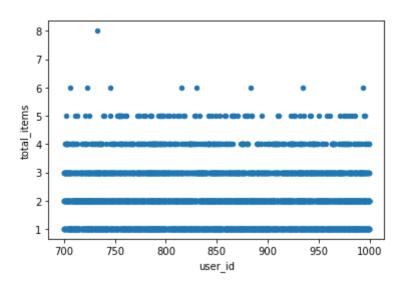
I will now filter for where the total items ordered is 2000 exclude this data, which is also where user id is 607

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In [439]:
          data set_corrected2 = data_set_corrected.loc[data_set_corrected.user_id !=
          print(data set corrected2)
          data_set_corrected2.plot(x ='shop_id', y='total_items', kind = 'scatter')
          data_set_corrected2.plot(x ='user_id', y='total_items', kind = 'scatter')
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Out[439]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='user\_id', ylabel='total\_items'>

[4937 rows x 8 columns]





I will now compare the standard deviation of the total\_items from the previous data set to this data set

```
In [440]: print('In the previous data set (data_set_corrected) total_items has a stan
print('In the corrected data set (data_set_corrected2) total_items has a st
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In the previous data set (data\_set\_corrected) total\_items has a standard deviation of: 116.85728599309454

In the corrected data set (data\_set\_corrected2) total\_items has a standar d deviation of: 0.9828207382187315

The standard deviation is much less after the data is corrected, this shows the closeness in values of the total items after the large total items has been excluded

#The AOV can now be calculated with this "incorrrect" data excluded

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In [441]: #recalculate the AOV
AOV_corrected2 = (sum(data_set_corrected2.iloc[:,3])) / len(data_set_corrected2.iloc[:,3])) / len(data_set_corrected2.iloc[:,3])) / nThe new AOV after the data has been cleaned up is:\n""", AOV_cor
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The new AOV after the data has been cleaned up is: 302.58051448247926

#In summary, the issue with the data set appears to be abnormally high unit costs from a single shop, as well as abnormally high orders from a single customer.

## Supplimental analysis

Below, is some analysis of the data sets at different levels show how the relationship between data changes as the data is cleaned up, using the mean, median and mode.

```
In [442]: mean_data_set = data_set.mean(axis = 0)
          median data set = data set.median()
          mode_data_set = data_set.mode()
          print("From the original data set:\n")
          print(f"""The mean of the order amount and total item columns respectively:
          Mean order amount:\n{mean data set.order amount}
          \nMean total items ordered:\n{mean data set.total items}\n""")
          print(f"""\nThe median of the order amount and total item columns respectiv
          \nMedian order amount:\n{median data set.order amount}
          \nMedian total items ordered:\n{median data set.total items}\n""")
          print(f"""\nThe mode of the order amount and total item columns respectivel
          Mode order amount:\n{mode data set.order amount[0]}
          \nMode total items ordered:\n{mode_data_set.total_items[0]}\n""")
          print('='*30,'\n'*2)
          mean data set corrected = data set corrected.mean(axis = 0)
          median data set corrected = data set corrected.median(axis = 0)
          mode_data_set_corrected = data_set_corrected.mode(axis = 0)
          print("From the inital data correction, excluding only the high priced shoe
          print(f"""\nThe mean of the order amount and total item columns respectivel
          Mean order amount:\n{mean_data_set_corrected.order_amount}
          \nMean total items ordered:\n{mean data set corrected.total items}\n""")
          print(f"""\nThe median of the order amount and total item columns respectiv
          \nMedian order amount:\n{median data set corrected.order amount}
          \nMedian total items ordered:\n{median data set corrected.total items}\n"""
          print(f"""\nThe mode of the order amount and total item columns respectivel
          Mode order amount:\n{mode data set corrected.order amount[0]}
          \nMode total items ordered:\n{mode data set corrected.total items[0]}\n""")
          print('='*30,'\n'*2)
          mean data set corrected2 = data set corrected2.mean(axis = 0)
          median data set corrected2 = data set corrected2.median(axis = 0)
          mode data set corrected2 = data set corrected2.mode()
          print("From the final data correction, excluding the high unit price of 257
          print(f"""\nThe mean of the order amount and total item columns respectivel
          Mean order amount:\n{mean data set corrected2.order amount}
          \nMean total items ordered:\n{mean data set corrected2.total items}\n""")
          print(f"""\nThe median of the order amount and total item columns respectiv
          \nMedian order amount:\n{median data set corrected2.order amount}
          \nMedian total items ordered:\n{median data set corrected2.total items}\n""
          print(f"""\nThe mode of the order amount and total item columns respectivel
          Mode order amount:\n{mode data set corrected2.order amount[0]}
          \nMode total items ordered:\n{mode_data_set_corrected2.total items[0]}\n"""
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From the original data set: The mean of the order amount and total item columns respectively: Mean order amount: 3145.128 Mean total items ordered: 8.7872 The median of the order amount and total item columns respectively: Median order amount: 284.0 Median total items ordered: 2.0 The mode of the order amount and total item columns respectively: Mode order amount: 153.0 Mode total items ordered: 2.0 \_\_\_\_\_\_ From the inital data correction, excluding only the high priced shoes of 25725 The mean of the order amount and total item columns respectively: Mean order amount: 2717.3677836092047 Mean total items ordered: 8.851029471134437 The median of the order amount and total item columns respectively: Median order amount: 284.0 Median total items ordered: 2.0 The mode of the order amount and total item columns respectively: Mode order amount:

153.0

2.0

Mode total items ordered:

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From the final data correction, excluding the high unit price of 25725, a nd high number items orderd, 2000:

The mean of the order amount and total item columns respectively: Mean order amount: 302.58051448247926

Mean total items ordered: 1.9947336439133077

The median of the order amount and total item columns respectively:

Median order amount: 284.0

Median total items ordered:
2.0

The mode of the order amount and total item columns respectively: Mode order amount: 153.0

Mode total items ordered: 2.0

From the values above, the Mode and Median values remained the same regardless of the data set.

This is because the outliers were much less than the total data set, as such did not affect the mode and median

On the other hand, due to the way Mean is calculated, there is a vast difference in all 3 values

For this data set, using the median or mode, without correcting the data will give fairly accurate results, while the mean would not.