SCM 651: Business Analytics

WEEK 3

Agenda

Welcome/Polls

Google Analytics Access, Teams, Homework #1

Review of concepts

Group discussion of articles

Upcoming Assignments

Wrap up/feedback

Google Analytics, Team Formation & Homework #1

Google Analytics – everyone has access right now

Required for Homework #2 (due before week 6 live session)

Teams – your teams are set for the semester

Teams of 4-5 students each

Homework #1 – Regression

- due before class in Week 4 live session
- Located in the 2SU Assignments and Deliverables folder

One-way sensitivity analysis

 Only one variable changes, allowing you to see the effect on the outcome

Two-way sensitivity analysis

 Two variables changes simultaneously, allowing you to see the joint effect

Conditional formatting

- Colors, bars, icons to facilitate interpretation
- When are some better than others?

Dashboards

Combine table and graphical representation

Google Analytics: general measures

- Visits, new visits, % new visits
- Bounce rate, average visit duration

Google Analytics: locations

- Countries, states, cities
- Visits, new visits, % new visits

Google analytics: behavior

- Frequency and timing
- Engagement (length of time on site)

Google Analytics: technology

- Operating system & browser
- Network provider
- Mobile device

Google Analytics: visitor flow

Entry and exit point

Google Analytics: Acquisition

- Channels (organic search, referral, direct, social, email)
- Source/medium (google/organic, direct/none, syr.edu/referral, bing/organic, va.gov/referral)

Google Analytics: advertising

- Advertising (key words, adwords)
- Dayparting (time of day)

Google Analytics: social

Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, Google+

Google Analytics: Behavior

- Site content (ability to drill down to each web page for page views, average time on page, bounce rate, exit %)
- Landing pages (first page viewed by user)
- Exit pages (last page viewed by user)
- Site speed, page timings, speed suggestions

Article #1: Web Analytics

Web Analytics: Enhancing Customer Relationship Management

- Describe the four main categories of metrics and relate to the Google analytics lessons
 - Website usability; Traffic sources; Visitor profiles; Conversion statistics
- Describe the common techniques for Web analytics
 - Clustering/classification; Association rules; Path analysis; Sequential patterns
- What are some business applications of web analytics?

Article #2: How eBay Uses Data

How eBay Uses Data and Analytics to Get Closer to Its (Massive) Customer Base

- What is an A/B test and what is its purpose?
- Describe the three biggest challenges of web data
 - Data at a large scale
 - Collecting the right data
 - New kinds of data
- How can Power Sellers use data better?
- Why are web analytics better than surveys?

Upcoming assignments

1. Homework –

Homework #1 due before live session #4
Each team member submits the same team documents:
MS Word homework assignment and Excel file for backup

2. Hands-on: Week 4 online materials

MS Access: Importing data, creating relationships, simple queries fixing dirty data, complex queries

Complete before our next live session