SAS Assignment 3 – Decision Tree

Whether customers enrolled in the loyalty program & provided with coupons for the organic products purchased organic items or not

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Answers to the questions presented (#4, 8, and 9)

* Please refer to the figure(s) provided for the question.

4. a&c. Set up the roles and levels for the variables / Reject DemCluster & DemClusterGroup

Name	Role	Level	Report	Order	Drop	Lower Limit	Upper Limit
DemAffl	Input	Interval	No		No		
DemAge	Input	Interval	No		No		 Rectangu
DemCluster	Rejected	Nominal	No		No		
DemClusterGrou	Rejected	Nominal	No		No		
DemGender	Input	Nominal	No		No		
DemReg	Input	Nominal	No		No		
DemTVReg	Input	Nominal	No		No		
ID	ID	Nominal	No		No		
PromClass	Input	Nominal	No		No		
PromSpend	Input	Interval	No		No		
PromTime	Input	Interval	No		No		
TargetAmt	Rejected	Interval	No		No		
TargetBuy	Target	Binary	No		No		

Figure 1. Variable Settings

b. Examine the distribution of the target variable. What is the proportion of individuals who purchased organic products?

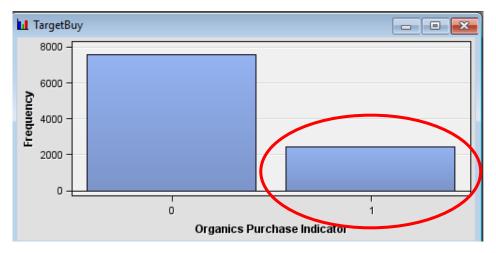


Figure 2. "TagetBuy" Distribution

According to Figure 2, about 24.77% of customers enrolled in the loyalty program & provided with coupons exclusively for the organic products purchased organic products.

d. Can TargetAmt be used as an input for a model used to predict TargetBuy? Why or why not?

TargetAmt cannot be used as input to predict TargetBuy because TargetAmt is the overlapped measure of TargetBuy. It is sufficient to predict organic product purchasers using TargetBuy. In addition, the purpose of the evaluation is not the amount of purchase per observation but rather the overall picture of buyers.

6. Partition Node (50% training, 50% validation)

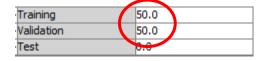


Figure 3. Data Set Allocations

8. Decision Tree Model 1

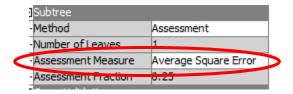


Figure 4. Subtree Assessment Measure

a. How many leaves are in the optimal tree?

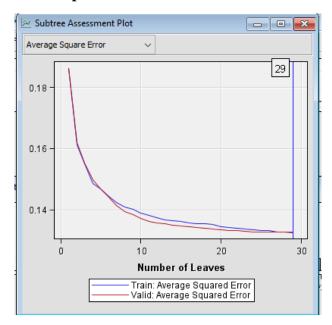


Figure 5. Model 1, # of Leaves

There are 29 leaves in the optimal tree for model 1 decision tree.

b. Which variable was used for the first split?

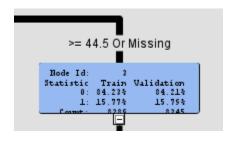
According to Figure 6 and 7, variable DemAge (Age, in years) was used for the first split.

c. What are the competing splits for this first split?

Competing splits are DemAffl (affluence grade), DemGender (gender), PromSpend (total spend) and PromClass (loyalty status).

Split Node 1								
Target Variable: 1	TargetBuy							
Variable	Variable Description	Variable Description -Log(p)						
DemAge	Age		2					
DemAffl	Affluence Grade		200.188	2				
DemGender	Gender	1	133.1391	2				
PromSpend	Total Spend		32.9677	2				
PromClass	Loyalty Status		23.3334	2				

Figure 6. Split Node 1, Model 1



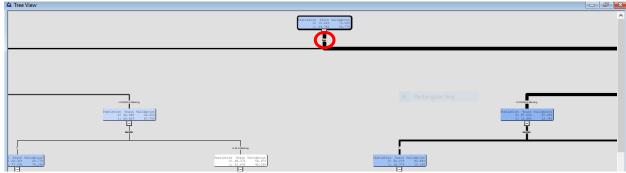


Figure 7. First Split, Model 1

9. Decision Tree Model 2

a. Change maximum number of branched to allow for three-way splits.

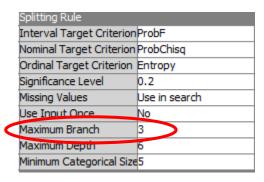


Figure 8. Maximum Branch 3

b. Subtree Assessment Measure to average square error.

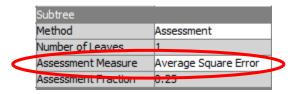


Figure 9. Assessment Measure, Model 2

c. How many leaves are in the optimal tree?

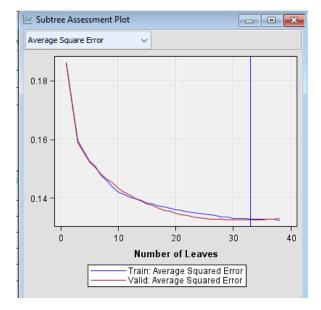


Figure 10. Model 2, # of Leaves

There are 33 leaves in the optimal tree for decision tree model 2.

d. Based on average square error, which of the decision tree model appears to be better?

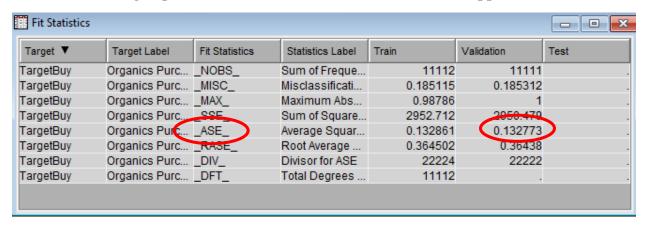


Figure 11. Fit Statistics, Model 1

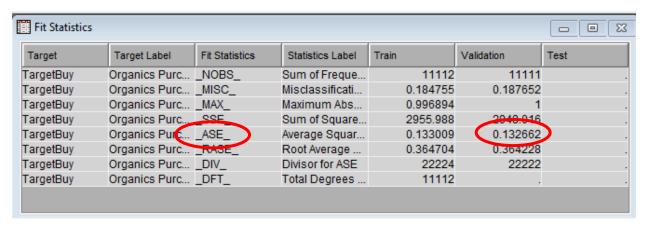


Figure 12. Fit Statistics, Model 2

According to Figure 11 & 12, the second decision tree (w/ three-way splits) has lower validation average square error than the first decision tree.