

Assignment 1 Report – Marketing Analytics

Customer Segmentation and Profiling

- (RetailX Case)

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1. Objective

To identify natural customer segments based on behavioral data and develop targeted marketing strategies that enhance engagement, retention, and revenue for Retailx.

2. Methodology

- Clustering Technique: K-Means clustering using standardized behavioral features only.
- Feature Set for Clustering:
 - avg_order_size, avg_order_freq, crossbuy, multichannel, per_sale, tenure, return_rate, loyalty_card, avg_mktg_cnt
- Evaluation Metrics:
 - Elbow Method:
 - Formula:

$$J = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{x \in C_i} \|x - \mu_i\|^2$$

k = Number of clusters

C_i = Cluster i

μ_i = Centroid of cluster i

- Silhouette Score: Highest at k = 3

- Formula:

$$S = \frac{b-a}{\max(a,b)}$$

a = average intra-cluster distance.

b = average nearest-cluster distance.

- PCA Scatter: Clear separation of clusters

- Calinski – Harabasz:

- Formula:

$$CH(K) = \frac{\text{Between-cluster dispersion}}{\text{Within-cluster dispersion}} \times \frac{n-k}{k-1}$$

n = total number of data points

k = number of clusters

Between-cluster dispersion: Sum of squared distances between cluster centroids and the overall mean.

Within-cluster dispersion: Sum of squared distances between points and their cluster centroid.

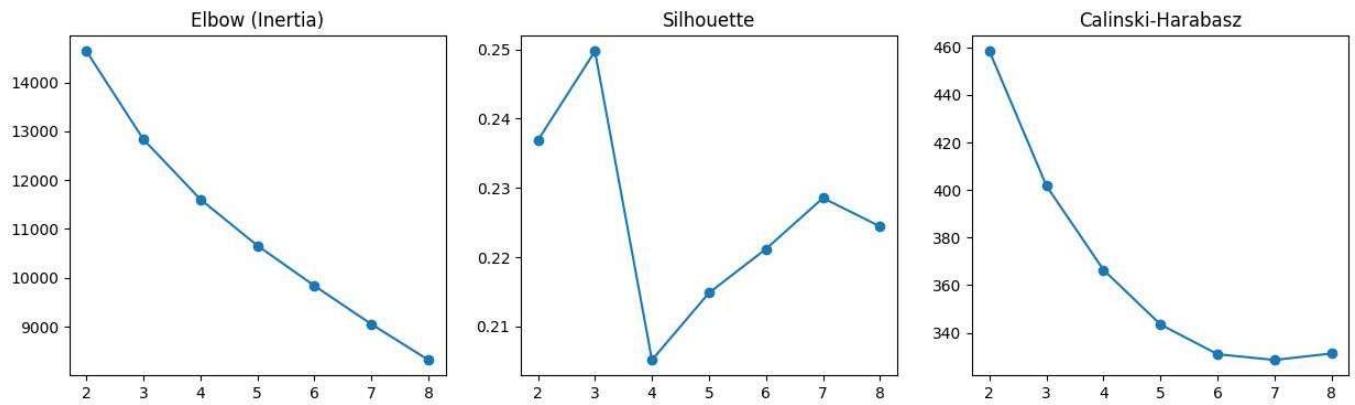
- Classification Accuracy:

- Formula:

$$P(y=1 | x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_n x_n)}}$$

- Logistic Regression: 98.7%

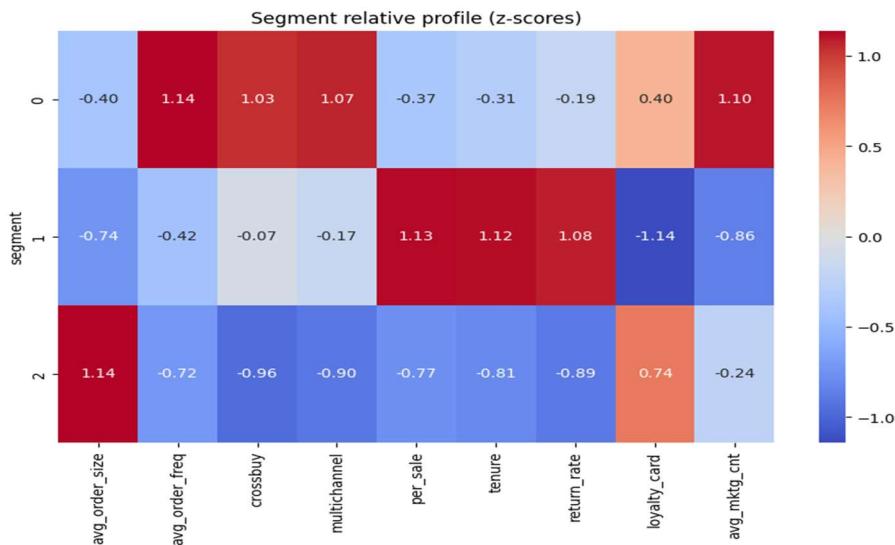
- Random Forest: 95.0%



We tested $k = 2, 3$, and 4 . While $k = 2$ had stronger statistical separation and $k = 4$ offered richer complexity, $k = 3$ provided the best balance of interpretability, behavioral diversity, and strategic clarity.

3. Segment Profiles ($k = 3$)

| Segment | Behavioral Traits | Strategic Label | Marketing Strategy |
|---------|--|---------------------------|---|
| 0 | High crossbuy, loyalty_card, moderate order_freq, low order_size | Loyalty-Driven Explorers | Reward loyalty, gamify engagement, and offer personalized bundles. |
| 1 | High multichannel, per_sale, tenure, low crossbuy, low return_rate | Multichannel Deal Seekers | Promote cross-channel offers, flash sales, and exclusive bundles. |
| 2 | High order_size, return_rate, low tenure, order_freq, multichannel | High-Spend Occasionalists | Focus on satisfaction guarantees, post-purchase follow-up, and retention campaigns. |



4. Classification Performance

| Model | Accuracy | Macro F1 |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Logistic Regression | 98.7% | 98.5% |
| Decision Tree | 93.5% | 91.8% |
| Random Forest | 95.0% | 93.2% |

- **Confusion Matrix:** All models show strong predictive power with minimal misclassification.
- **Conclusion:** Segment membership is highly predictable using behavioral + descriptive features.

Feature Importance

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          2       0.99     0.99      0.99     350

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weighted avg       0.99     0.99      0.99      600

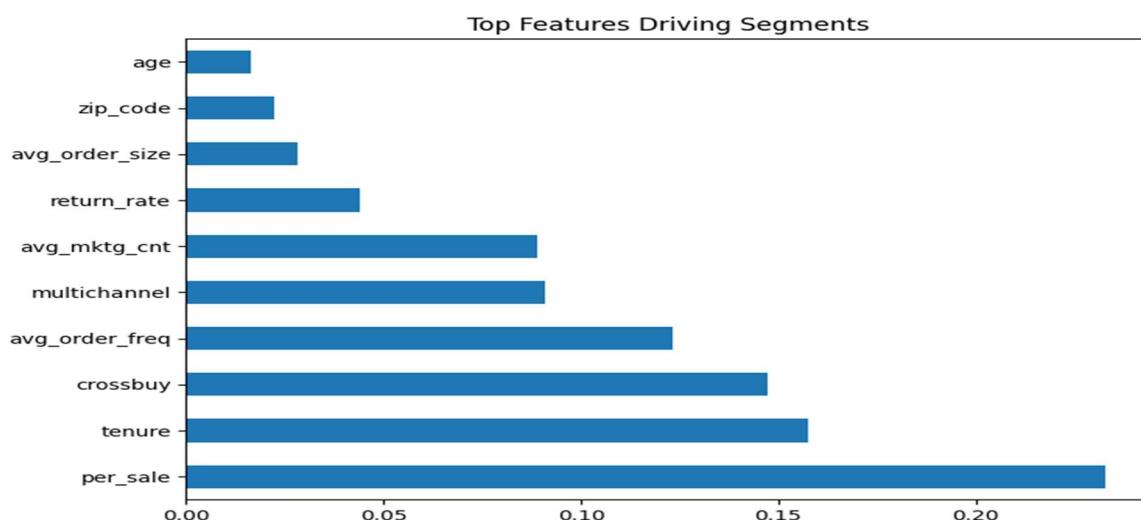
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          1       0.92     0.87      0.89     106
          2       0.95     0.97      0.96     350

   accuracy                           0.94      600
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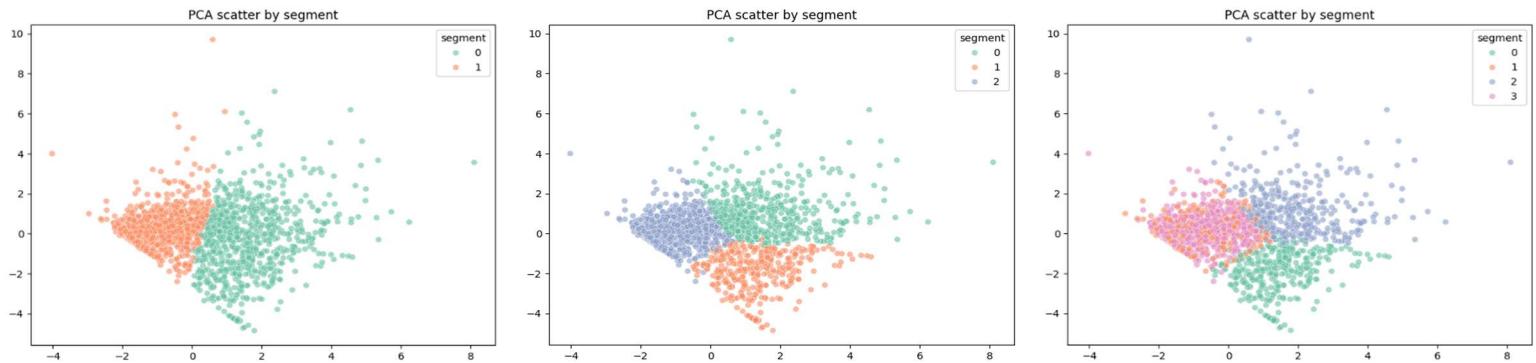
Based on a Random Forest classifier trained to predict segment membership:

| Rank | Feature | Importance |
|------|----------------|------------|
| 1 | per_sale | 0.23 |
| 2 | tenure | 0.16 |
| 3 | crossbuy | 0.15 |
| 4 | avg_order_freq | 0.12 |
| 5 | multichannel | 0.09 |



5. Strategic Implications

- **Segment 0:** Loyalty-focused campaigns, gamified rewards, and cross-category bundles.
- **Segment 1:** Multichannel promotions, flash deals, and exclusive offers for long-tenured shoppers.
- **Segment 2:** Retention-focused strategies, satisfaction guarantees, and post-purchase engagement.



6. Final Recommendation

Retailx should adopt the **k = 3 segmentation** for its marketing strategy. It reveals three distinct behavioral personas with clear engagement patterns and actionable insights. This structure balances statistical rigor with business relevance and supports scalable, targeted campaigns.

Code: Attached in .ipynb format in .zip.