# Wine Sales Project Report

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# INTRODUCTION

A large wine manufacturer is conducting a study to predict the number of wine cases ordered based upon the wine characteristics. Specifically, if they can predict the number of cases ordered, they can adjust the wine offering to maximize sales. The more sample cases purchased by wine distribution companies, the more likely is a wine to be sold at a high-end restaurant since these cases would be used to provide tasting samples to restaurants and wine stores around the country.

A dataset of approximately 12,000 commercially available wines is used to analyze the problem. The variables are mostly related to the chemical properties of the wine being sold. Some of the variables have negative values when they technically shouldn't because the original data was modified for proprietary reasons, so this issue will be ignored in the study. The target variable is the number of sample cases of wine that were purchased by wine distribution companies after sampling a wine.

The wine sales project will include four main sections 1) data exploration 2) data preparation 3) model development 4) model evaluation. Several models are developed, and based on multiple metrics, a champion model is chosen to predict the number of cases of wine that will be sold given certain properties of the wine.

# RESULTS

# Section 1: Data Exploration

#### > str(wine)

```
'data.frame': 12795 obs. of 16 variables:
$ INDEX
                  : int 1 2 4 5 6 7 8 11 12 13 ...
                  : int 3 3 5 3 4 0 0 4 3 6 ...
$ TARGET
$ FixedAcidity
                 : num 3.2 4.5 7.1 5.7 8 11.3 7.7 6.5 14.8 5.5 ...
$ VolatileAcidity : num 1.16 0.16 2.64 0.385 0.33 0.32 0.29 -1.22 0.27 -0.22 ...
$ CitricAcid
                  : num -0.98 -0.81 -0.88 0.04 -1.26 0.59 -0.4 0.34 1.05 0.39 ...
$ ResidualSugar
                  : num 54.2 26.1 14.8 18.8 9.4 ...
                  : num -0.567 -0.425 0.037 -0.425 NA 0.556 0.06 0.04 -0.007 -0.277 ...
$ FreeSulfurDioxide : num NA 15 214 22 -167 -37 287 523 -213 62 ...
$ TotalSulfurDioxide: num 268 -327 142 115 108 15 156 551 NA 180 ...
$ Density
            : num 0.993 1.028 0.995 0.996 0.995 ...
$ pH
                  : num 3.33 3.38 3.12 2.24 3.12 3.2 3.49 3.2 4.93 3.09 ...
$ Sulphates
                  : num -0.59 0.7 0.48 1.83 1.77 1.29 1.21 NA 0.26 0.75 ...
$ Alcohol
                  : num 9.9 NA 22 6.2 13.7 15.4 10.3 11.6 15 12.6 ...
$ LabelAppeal
                  : int 0 -1 -1 -1 0 0 0 1 0 0 ...
$ AcidIndex
                  : int 87869118768...
$ STARS
                   : int 2 3 3 1 2 NA NA 3 NA 4 ...
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The wine dataset used in this study has 12,795 observations with 16 variables.

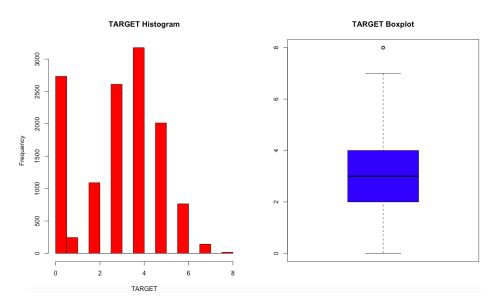
- 1. INDEX: identification variable
- 2. TARGET: number of cases purchased
- 3. Fixed Acidity: fixed acidity of wine
- 4. Volatile Acidity: volatile acid content of wine
- 5. Citric Acid: citric acid content
- 6. Residual Sugar: residual sugar of wine
- 7. Chlorides: chloride content of wine
- 8. Free Sulfur Dioxide: sulfur dioxide content of wine
- 9. Total Sulfur Dioxide: total sulfur dioxide content of wine
- 10. Density: density of wine
- 11. pH: pH of wine
- 12. Sulphates: sulfate content of wine
- 13. Alcohol: alcohol content
- 14. Label Appeal: marketing score indicating the appeal of label design for customers. High numbers suggest customers like the label design. Negative numbers suggest customers don't like the design
- 15. Acid Index: proprietary method of testing total acidity of wine by using a weighted average
- 16. STARS: wine rating by a team of experts with 4 stars = excellent and 1 star = poor

```
> summary(wine)
    INDEX
                 TARGET
                            FixedAcidity
                                          VolatileAcidity
                                                          CitricAcid
Min. : 1 Min. :0.000 Min. :-18.100 Min. :-2.7900 Min. :-3.2400
             1st Qu.: 2.000 1st Qu.: 5.200 1st Qu.: 0.1300 1st Qu.: 0.0300
1st Qu.: 4038
Median: 8110 Median: 3.000 Median: 6.900 Median: 0.2800 Median: 0.3100
Mean : 8070 Mean : 3.029 Mean : 7.076 Mean : 0.3241 Mean : 0.3084
3rd Qu.:12106 3rd Qu.:4.000 3rd Qu.: 9.500 3rd Qu.: 0.6400 3rd Qu.: 0.5800
Max. :16129 Max. :8.000 Max. : 34.400 Max. : 3.6800 Max. : 3.8600
ResidualSugar
                Chlorides
                              FreeSulfurDioxide TotalSulfurDioxide Density
Min. :-127.800 Min. :-1.1710 Min. :-555.00 Min. :-823.0 Min. :0.8881
1st Ou.: -2.000 1st Ou.:-0.0310 1st Ou.: 0.00 1st Ou.: 27.0 1st Ou.:0.9877
Median: 3.900 Median: 0.0460 Median: 30.00 Median: 123.0 Median: 0.9945
Mean : 5.419 Mean : 0.0548 Mean : 30.85 Mean : 120.7 Mean : 0.9942
3rd Qu.: 15.900 3rd Qu.: 0.1530 3rd Qu.: 70.00 3rd Qu.: 208.0 3rd Qu.:1.0005
Max. : 141.150 Max. : 1.3510 Max. : 623.00 Max. :1057.0 Max. :1.0992
NA's :616 NA's :638 NA's :647 NA's :682 pH Sulphates Alcohol LabelAppeal
                                                            AcidIndex
Min. :0.480 Min. :-3.1300 Min. :-4.70 Min. :-2.000000 Min. : 4.000
1st Qu.:2.960    1st Qu.: 0.2800    1st Qu.: 9.00    1st Qu.:-1.000000    1st Qu.: 7.000
Median : 3.200 Median : 0.5000 Median : 10.40 Median : 0.000000 Median : 8.000
Mean :3.208 Mean : 0.5271 Mean :10.49 Mean :-0.009066 Mean : 7.773
3rd Qu.:3.470 3rd Qu.: 0.8600 3rd Qu.:12.40 3rd Qu.: 1.000000 3rd Qu.: 8.000
Max. :6.130 Max. : 4.2400 Max. :26.50 Max. : 2.000000 Max. :17.000
      :395
             NA's :1210 NA's :653
NA's
    STARS
Min. :1.000
1st Qu.:1.000
Median :2.000
Mean :2.042
3rd Qu.:3.000
Max. :4.000
NA's :3359
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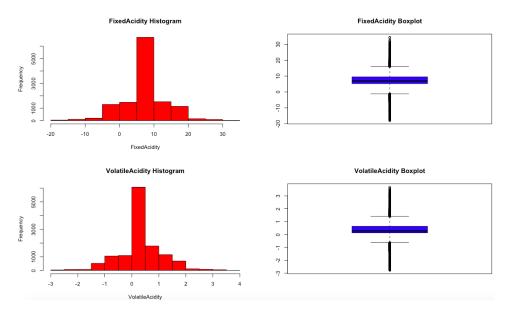
The summary above shows the mean, median, and five-number summary of each variable. It also shows that there are missing value issues with the following variables that need to be imputed in section 2 of the report: ResidualSugar, Chlorides, FreeSulfurDioxide, TotalSulfurDioxide, pH, Sulphates, Alcohol, STARS.

```
> skewness(wine$TARGET)
[1] -0.3263393
> skewness(wine$FixedAcidity)
[1] -0.02258861
> skewness(wine$VolatileAcidity)
[1] 0.02038235
> skewness(wine$CitricAcid)
Γ17 -0.05031294
> skewness(wine$ResidualSugar,na.exclude(wine$ResidualSugar))
[1] -0.05312945
Warning message:
In if (na.rm) x \leftarrow x[!is.na(x)]:
  the condition has length > 1 and only the first element will be used
> skewness(wine$Chlorides,na.exclude(wine$Chlorides))
[1] 0.03043093
Warning message:
In if (na.rm) \times \langle x[!is.na(x)] :
  the condition has length > 1 and only the first element will be used
> skewness(wine$FreeSulfurDioxide,na.exclude(wine$FreeSulfurDioxide))
[1] 0.0063938
Warning message:
In if (na.rm) \times \langle x[!is.na(x)] :
  the condition has length > 1 and only the first element will be used
> skewness(wine$TotalSulfurDioxide,na.exclude(wine$TotalSulfurDioxide))
[1] -0.00718024
Warning message:
In if (na.rm) \times \langle x[!is.na(x)] :
  the condition has length > 1 and only the first element will be used
> skewness(wine$Density)
[1] -0.01869596
> skewness(wine$pH,na.exclude(wine$pH))
[1] 0.04429337
Warning message:
In if (na.rm) \times \langle x[!is.na(x)] :
 the condition has length > 1 and only the first element will be used
> skewness(wine$Sulphates,na.exclude(wine$Sulphates))
[1] 0.005912661
Warning message:
In if (na.rm) \times \langle x[!is.na(x)] :
  the condition has length > 1 and only the first element will be used
> skewness(wine$Alcohol,na.exclude(wine$Alcohol))
[1] -0.03071963
Warning message:
In if (na.rm) \times \langle x[!is.na(x)] :
 the condition has length > 1 and only the first element will be used
> skewness(wine$LabelAppeal)
[1] 0.008430445
> skewness(wine$AcidIndex)
Γ17 1.648689
> skewness(wine$STARS,na.exclude(wine$STARS))
[1] 0.4473064
Warning message:
In if (na.rm) \times \langle x[!is.na(x)] :
  the condition has length > 1 and only the first element will be used
```

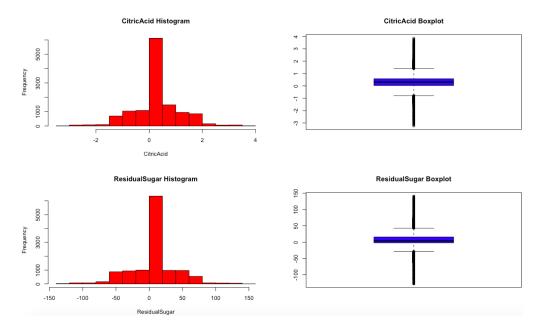
In order to identify variables with outlier issues, we use skewness number. If a variable has the skewness number greater than 1 or less than -1, that variable has outlier issue. The output above shows that only AcidIndex has outlier issue. Variables with missing values will have a warning message output, as shown above.



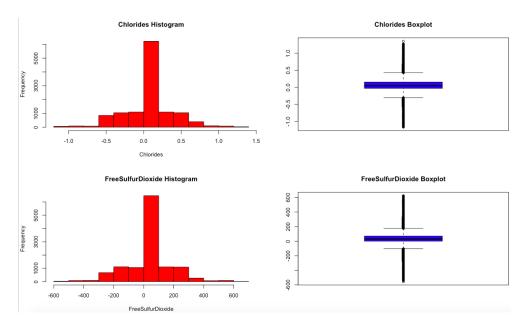
The histogram and boxplot above show that the target variable is a discrete count variable with many 0's indicating that the particular type of wine is not sold. Also, there's no outlier issue in this variable. The fact that the variable is a discrete count variable with many 0's and the histogram above indicate that Poisson regression is an appropriate analysis for this project. We will explore this topic in section 3 and 4 of the report.



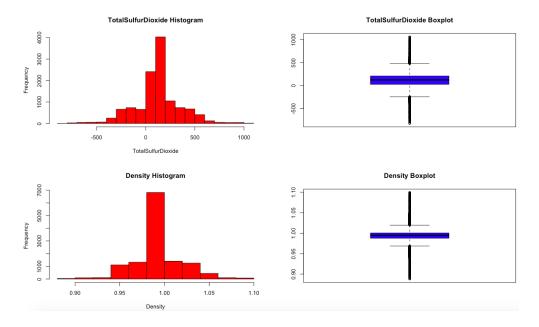
The histograms and boxplots above show that Fixed Acidity and Volatile Acidity may not have normality issue since they have outliers on both tails, but they have a lot of outlier issues, which will be addressed in section 2 of the report.



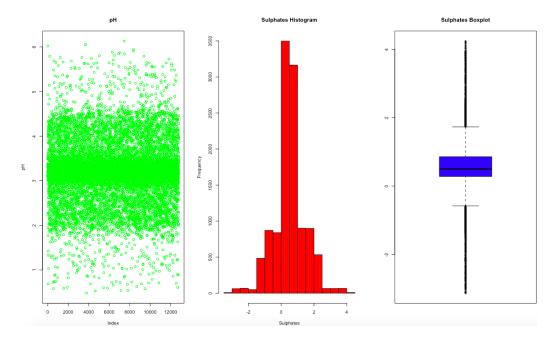
The histograms and boxplots above show that Citric Acid and Residual Sugar may not have normality issue since they have outliers on both tails, but they have a lot of outlier issues, which will be addressed in section 2 of the report.



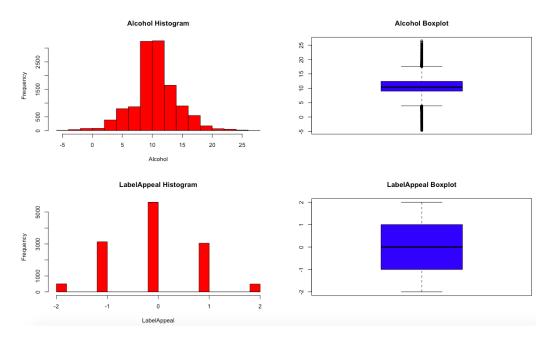
The histograms and boxplots above show that Chlorides and Free Sulfur Dioxide may not have normality issue since they have outliers on both tails, but they have a lot of outlier issues, which will be addressed in section 2 of the report.



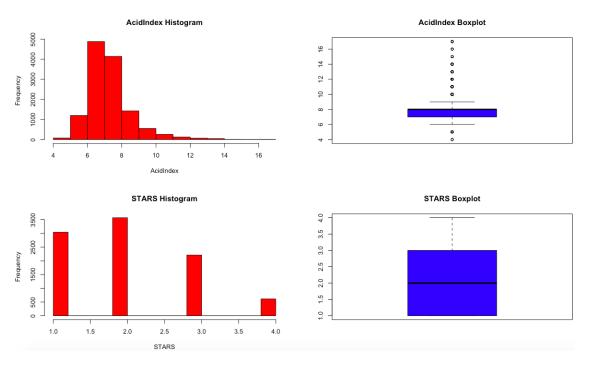
The histograms and boxplots above show that Total Sulfur Dioxide and Density may not have normality issue since they have outliers on both tails, but they have a lot of outlier issues, which will be addressed in section 2 of the report.



The histograms and boxplots above show that pH and Sulphates may not have normality issue since they have outliers on both tails, but they have a lot of outlier issues, which will be addressed in section 2 of the report.



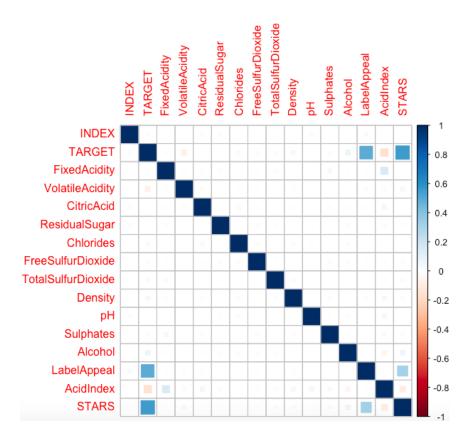
The histograms and boxplots above show that Alcohol may not have normality issue since it has outliers on both tails, but it has a lot of outlier issues, which will be addressed in section 2 of the report. Label Appeal doesn't have normality or outlier issue.



The histogram and boxplots above show that Acid Index may have a light outlier issue skewing toward the right whereas STARS has no normality or outlier issue.

When a variable has outliers on both tails, it still maintains normality since the skewness number is typically close to 0. However, the fact that there are many outliers on both ends may affect the

coefficients in the predictive models. The outliers on both tails are not deal-breaker with the regression assumptions, but they can cause problems with the regression formulas. Thus, the outlier issues will be addressed in section 2 of the report prior to the model development stage.



The correlation plot above shows that Label Appeal and STARS have a strong positive relationship with the target variable whereas the remaining predictors don't have direct relationship with the target variable. Also, there's no correlation among the predictors, which reduce the risk of multicollinearity issue in the models.

# Section 2: Data Preparation

The first part of this section addresses the missing value issues whereas the second part addresses the outlier issues. For every predictor with missing values, two new variables are created: flag variable beginning with an "M" with binary values (1=missing value and 0=known value) and imputed variable beginning with an "IMP" to replace the missing values with the mean. Typically, we replace missing values with the mean if there's no outlier issue and median if there's outlier issue. Although there are outliers, these outliers take place on both tails, so it's appropriate in this case to replace missing values with the mean. The following variables have missing values and thus have two additional variables in the dataset: flag and imputed variables.

- Residual Sugar
- Chlorides
- Free Sulfur Dioxide

- Total Sulfur Dioxide
- pH
- Alcohol
- Sulphates
- STARS

```
> skewness(wine$AcidIndex)
[1] 1.648689
> summary(wine$AcidIndex)
   Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
   4.000   7.000   8.000   7.773   8.000   17.000
```

The output above shows that Acid Index has outlier issue since its skewness number is greater than 1.

```
> skewness(wine$AcidIndex)
[1] 0.5435572
> summary(wine$AcidIndex)
   Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
   6.000 7.000 8.000 7.699 8.000 10.000
```

After a 95% trim, the output above shows that we have successfully addressed the skewness number of Acid Index.

In addition, as mentioned earlier, the existence of outliers on both tails of the majority of predictors is not deal-breaker in the regression assumptions, but it may affect the regression formulas. If we leave the variables the way they are with these outliers, we may run into issues with the coefficients later on during the model development process. If we trim these variables now, we may unnecessarily modify the original data, which should be avoided unless necessary.

Since there are pros and cons for both options to keep the variables the same or trim them, we won't trim them now in this section. Instead we will continue with the project to develop models. After the models are developed, we will examine the coefficients of the models to determine whether we should go back to trim the variables and rerun the models. If the betas don't make sense in real life (such as a negative beta for Label Appeal or STARS), we know that the coefficients are unreliable. Then we will go back to this stage to trim the variables and rerun the predictive models.

By replacing the original with the imputed variables for predictors with missing value. The following dataset is put together with no duplicate variable and no missing value to be used in the data development process.

```
> str(wine)
'data.frame': 12795 obs. of 24 variables:
         : int 1245678111213...
$ INDEX
$ TARGET
                   : int 3353400436...
$ FixedAcidity
                   : num 3.2 4.5 7.1 5.7 8 11.3 7.7 6.5 14.8 5.5 ...
$ VolatileAcidity
                  : num 1.16 0.16 2.64 0.385 0.33 0.32 0.29 -1.22 0.27 -0.22 ...
$ CitricAcid
                  : num -0.98 -0.81 -0.88 0.04 -1.26 0.59 -0.4 0.34 1.05 0.39 ...
                   : num 0.993 1.028 0.995 0.996 0.995 ...
$ Density
$ LabelAppeal
                   : int 0 -1 -1 -1 0 0 0 1 0 0 ...
$ AcidIndex
                   : num 87869108768...
                  : num 0000000000 ...
$ M_ResidualSugar
$ IMP_ResidualSugar : num 54.2 26.1 14.8 18.8 9.4 ...
$ M_Chlorides : num 0000100000...
$ IMP_Chlorides
                   : num -0.567 -0.425 0.037 -0.425 0.0548 ...
$ M_FreeSulfurDioxide : num 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
$ IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide : num 30.8 15 214 22 -167 ...
$ M_TotalSulfurDioxide : num 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 ...
$ IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide: num 268 -327 142 115 108 ...
                  : num 0000000000 ...
$ M_pH
                   : num 3.33 3.38 3.12 2.24 3.12 3.2 3.49 3.2 4.93 3.09 ...
$ IMP_pH
$ M_Sulphates
                   : num 0000000100 ...
$ IMP_Sulphates
                   : num -0.59 0.7 0.48 1.83 1.77 ...
$ M_Alcohol
                   : num 0100000000...
$ IMP_Alcohol
                  : num 9.9 10.5 22 6.2 13.7 ...
$ M_STARS
                   : num 0000011010...
$ IMP_STARS
                   : num 23312...
> summary(wine)
    INDEX
                  TARGET
                             FixedAcidity
                                             VolatileAcidity
                                                             CitricAcid
               Min. :0.000 Min. :-18.100 Min. :-2.7900 Min. :-3.2400
 Min. :
               1st Qu.: 2.000    1st Qu.: 5.200    1st Qu.: 0.1300    1st Qu.: 0.0300
 1st Qu.: 4038
 Median: 8110 Median: 3.000 Median: 6.900 Median: 0.2800 Median: 0.3100
 Mean : 8070 Mean : 3.029 Mean : 7.076 Mean : 0.3241 Mean : 0.3084
 3rd Qu.:12106
               3rd Qu.:4.000 3rd Qu.: 9.500 3rd Qu.: 0.6400 3rd Qu.: 0.5800
 Max. :16129 Max. :8.000 Max. : 34.400 Max. : 3.6800 Max. : 3.8600
   Density
                                   AcidIndex M_ResidualSugar IMP_ResidualSugar
               LabelAppeal
 Min. :0.8881 Min. :-2.000000 Min. :6.000 Min. :0.00000 Min. :-127.800
 1st Qu.:0.9877    1st Qu.:-1.000000    1st Qu.: 7.000    1st Qu.:0.00000    1st Qu.: 0.900
 Median: 0.9945 Median: 0.000000 Median: 8.000 Median: 0.00000 Median: 4.900
 Mean :0.9942 Mean :-0.009066 Mean :7.699 Mean :0.04814 Mean : 5.419
 3rd Qu.: 1.0005 3rd Qu.: 1.000000 3rd Qu.: 8.000 3rd Qu.: 0.00000 3rd Qu.: 14.900
 Max. :1.0992 Max. : 2.000000 Max. :10.000 Max. :1.00000 Max. : 141.150
 M_Chlorides
                IMP_Chlorides
                                 M_FreeSulfurDioxide IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide
 Min. :0.00000 Min. :-1.17100 Min. :0.00000 Min. :-555.00
 1st Qu.:0.00000 1st Qu.: 0.00000
                                 1st Qu.:0.00000
                                                   1st Qu.: 5.00
                                 Median: 0.00000 Median: 30.85
 Median :0.00000 Median : 0.04800
 Mean :0.04986 Mean : 0.05482
                                 Mean :0.05057 Mean : 30.85
                                 3rd Qu.:0.00000 3rd Qu.: 64.00
 3rd Qu.:0.00000 3rd Qu.: 0.12800
 Max. :1.00000 Max. : 1.35100 Max. :1.00000 Max. : 623.00
 M_TotalSulfurDioxide IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide M_pH
                                                         IMP_pH
                                                                      M_Sulphates
                                 Min. :0.00000 Min. :0.480 Min. :0.00000
 Min. :0.0000
               Min. :-823.0
                                       1st Qu.:0.00000 1st Qu.:2.970
 1st Ou.:0.0000
                   1st Qu.: 34.0
                                                                    1st Ou.:0.00000
                   Median : 120.7
                                       Median: 0.00000 Median: 3.208 Median: 0.00000
 Median :0.0000
 Mean :0.0533
                   Mean : 120.7
                                       Mean :0.03087 Mean :3.208 Mean :0.09457
 3rd Ou.:0.0000
                  3rd Qu.: 198.0
                                      3rd Qu.:0.00000 3rd Qu.:3.450 3rd Qu.:0.00000
 Max. :1.0000
                  Max. :1057.0
                                     Max. :1.00000 Max. :6.130 Max. :1.00000
 IMP_Sulphates
                 M_Alcohol IMP_Alcohol
                                              M_STARS
                                                              IMP_STARS
 Min. :-3.1300 Min. :0.00000 Min. :-4.70 Min. :0.0000 Min. :1.000
 1st Ou.: 0.3400    1st Ou.: 0.00000    1st Ou.: 9.10    1st Ou.: 0.0000    1st Ou.: 2.000
 Median: 0.5271 Median: 0.00000 Median: 10.49 Median: 0.0000 Median: 2.000
 Mean : 0.5271 Mean : 0.05104 Mean : 10.49 Mean : 0.2625 Mean : 2.042
 3rd Qu.: 0.7700 3rd Qu.:0.00000 3rd Qu.:12.20 3rd Qu.:1.0000 3rd Qu.:2.042
```

Max. : 4.2400 Max. :1.00000 Max. :26.50 Max. :1.0000 Max. :4.000

# Section 3: Model Development

In this section, five models below are developed, and one winning model is chosen based on multiple metrics in section 4 of the report.

- 1. Ordinary least square (OLS) multiple linear regression using stepwise variable automatic selection method
- 2. Poisson regression
- 3. Negative binomial regression
- 4. Zero-inflated Poisson regression (ZIP)
- 5. Zero-inflated negative binominal regression (ZINB)

### Model #1: OLS Multiple Linear Regression

```
> summary(model1)
Call:
lm(formula = wine$TARGET ~ VolatileAcidity + Density + LabelAppeal +
    AcidIndex + IMP_Chlorides + IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide + IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide +
    IMP_pH + IMP_Sulphates + IMP_Alcohol + M_STARS + IMP_STARS,
    data = wine)
Residuals:
   Min 1Q Median 30
 -4.7043 -0.8554 0.0284 0.8536 6.1955
Coefficients:
IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide 2.946e-04 8.022e-05 3.673 0.000241 ***
IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide 2.333e-04 5.153e-05 4.527 6.03e-06 ***
IMP_pH -3.140e-02 1.739e-02 -1.806 0.070947 .

IMP_Sulphates -3.224e-02 1.310e-02 -2.462 0.013841 *

IMP_Alcohol 1.240e-02 3.206e-03 3.867 0.000111 *
                      1.240e-02 3.206e-03 3.867 0.000111 ***
M_STARS
                      -2.288e+00 2.699e-02 -84.752 < 2e-16 ***
                       7.809e-01 1.571e-02 49.715 < 2e-16 ***
IMP_STARS
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' '1
Residual standard error: 1.313 on 12782 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.5361, Adjusted R-squared: 0.5357
F-statistic: 1231 on 12 and 12782 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
> AIC(model1)
[1] 43287.38
```

The output above has p-value less than 0.05, which means that the model is statistically significant at 95% confidence level. It has adjusted R-squared of 0.5357, which means that 53.57% of variation in the target variable can be explained by the model. Both Label Appeal and STARS have positive coefficients, which make sense in real life that as the wine bottles have better label design and ratings by wine experts, more cases are sold. Thus, it seems like the

outlier issues in section 2 don't affect the regression formulas/coefficients in this model development process. Therefore, there's no need to go back to section 2 to trim the outliers in the predictors. We can proceed with this section 3 of model development.

#### Model #2: Poisson Regression

By putting all predictors in the Poisson regression analysis, we have the following result.

```
> summary(model2)
 glm(formula = wine$TARGET ~ ., family = poisson(link = "log"),
        data = wine)
 Deviance Residuals:
        Min 1Q Median 3Q
                                                                         Max
 -3.1621 -0.6500 0.0145 0.4562 3.7798
 Coefficients:
                                            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
 (Intercept)
                                         1.821e+00 1.967e-01 9.258 < 2e-16 ***

      INDEX
      4.727e-07
      1.095e-06
      0.432
      0.665916

      FixedAcidity
      -2.602e-04
      8.192e-04
      -0.318
      0.750733

      VolatileAcidity
      -3.169e-02
      6.522e-03
      -4.859
      1.18e-06
      ***

      CitricAcid
      4.831e-03
      5.896e-03
      0.819
      0.412507

      Density
      -2.990e-01
      1.918e-01
      -1.559
      0.118952

      LabelAppeal
      1.586e-01
      6.130e-03
      25.864
      < 2e-16</td>
      ***

      AcidIndex
      -8.546e-02
      5.261e-03
      -16.245
      < 2e-16</td>
      ***

      M_ResidualSugar
      2.273e-02
      2.340e-02
      0.971
      0.331310

      IMP_ResidualSugar
      9.001e-05
      1.549e-04
      0.581
      0.561180

      M_Chlorides
      -4.144e-04
      2.329e-02
      -0.018
      0.985801

      IMP_Chlorides
      -3.584e-02
      1.647e-02
      -2.176
      0.029583
      *

      M_FreeSulfurDioxide
      1.763e-02
      2.320e-02
      0.760
      0.447453

 INDEX
                                         4.727e-07 1.095e-06 0.432 0.665916
 M_FreeSulfurDioxide 1.763e-02 2.320e-02 0.760 0.447453
 IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide 1.009e-04 3.511e-05 2.873 0.004066 **
 M_TotalSulfurDioxide 1.920e-02 2.245e-02 0.855 0.392552
 IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide 8.328e-05 2.276e-05 3.658 0.000254 ***
                                        -3.859e-02 2.991e-02 -1.290 0.196901
 M_pH
 IMP_pH
                                         -1.255e-02 7.648e-03 -1.641 0.100740
 M_Sulphates
                                        -1.163e-02 1.757e-02 -0.662 0.507861
IMP_Sulphates
M_Alcohol
                                       -1.220e-02 5.754e-03 -2.121 0.033924 *
                                         1.637e-02 2.305e-02 0.710 0.477768
                                 3.582e-03 1.409e-03 2.543 0.011003 *
 IMP_Alcohol
 M_STARS
                                        -1.037e+00 1.697e-02 -61.133 < 2e-16 ***
                                         1.883e-01 6.093e-03 30.910 < 2e-16 ***
 IMP_STARS
 Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Only a couple predictors are significant in the model based on the output above using p-value for each variable. By removing insignificant variables and rerun the Poisson regression, we have the following result.

```
> summary(model2)
glm(formula = wine$TARGET ~ wine$VolatileAcidity + wine$LabelAppeal +
   wine$AcidIndex + wine$IMP_Chlorides + wine$IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide +
   wine$IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide + wine$IMP_Sulphates + wine$IMP_Alcohol +
   wine$M_STARS + wine$IMP_STARS, family = poisson(link = "log"),
   data = wine)
Deviance Residuals:
   Min 10 Median
                           30
                                     Max
-3.1916 -0.6451 0.0135 0.4543 3.7735
Coefficients:
                          Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
                         1.485e+00 4.556e-02 32.600 < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept)
wine$VolatileAcidity
                        -3.194e-02 6.518e-03 -4.900 9.6e-07 ***
wine$LabelAppeal
                          1.584e-01 6.128e-03 25.851 < 2e-16 ***
                        -8.509e-02 5.180e-03 -16.429 < 2e-16 ***
wine$AcidIndex
wine$IMP_Chlorides -3.602e-02 1.646e-02 -2.188 0.028652 *
wine$IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide 1.017e-04 3.508e-05 2.900 0.003730 **
wine$IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide 8.290e-05 2.273e-05 3.647 0.000265 ***
wine$IMP_Sulphates -1.219e-02 5.752e-03 -2.120 0.034042 *
                         3.602e-03 1.407e-03 2.560 0.010472 *
wine$IMP_Alcohol
                       -1.038e+00 1.696e-02 -61.220 < 2e-16 ***
wine$M_STARS
wine$IMP_STARS
                          1.887e-01 6.090e-03 30.994 < 2e-16 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' '1
(Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)
   Null deviance: 22861 on 12794 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 13831 on 12784 degrees of freedom
AIC: 45795
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
```

Similar to model #1, both Label Appeal and STARS have positive coefficients, so there's no need go to back to section 2 to trim the variables with outlier issues. It's also interesting to notice that both M\_STARS and IMP\_STARS are significant variables in the model while they have different signs: negative in M\_STARS and positive in IMP\_STARS. Thus, we can expect to sell more wine cases on wine with known values in star ratings (M\_STARS=0) than those with missing values (M\_STARS=1). In addition, the higher the star ratings (IMP\_STARS), the more cases of wine are sold.

#### Model #3: Negative Binomial Regression

By putting all predictors in the negative binomial regression analysis, we have the following result.

```
> summary(model3)
Call:
glm.nb(formula = wine$TARGET ~ ., data = wine, init.theta = 40527.13939,
    link = log)
Deviance Residuals:
    Min 10 Median
                           30
                                    Max
-3.1620 -0.6500 0.0145 0.4561 3.7796
Coefficients:
                      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)
                    1.821e+00 1.967e-01 9.258 < 2e-16 ***
INDEX
                    4.727e-07 1.095e-06 0.432 0.665958
FixedAcidity -2.603e-04 8.193e-04 -0.318 0.750726
VolatileAcidity -3.169e-02 6.523e-03 -4.859 1.18e-06 ***
CitricAcid 4.8310.03 5.000
CitricAcid
                    4.831e-03 5.896e-03 0.819 0.412523
                    -2.991e-01 1.918e-01 -1.559 0.118961
Density
                 1.586e-01 6.131e-03 25.862 < 2e-16 ***
LabelAppeal
M_TotalSulfurDioxide 1.920e-02 2.246e-02 0.855 0.392561
IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide 8.328e-05 2.276e-05 3.658 0.000254 ***
             -3.860e-02 2.991e-02 -1.290 0.196897
Hq_M
IMP_pH
                   -1.255e-02 7.649e-03 -1.641 0.100731
                   -1.163e-02 1.757e-02 -0.662 0.507847
M_Sulphates
IMP_Sulphates
                   -1.221e-02 5.755e-03 -2.121 0.033924 *
M_Alcohol
                    1.637e-02 2.305e-02 0.710 0.477778
                    3.582e-03 1.409e-03 2.542 0.011008 *
IMP_Alcohol
                    -1.037e+00 1.697e-02 -61.131 < 2e-16 ***
M_STARS
                     1.883e-01 6.094e-03 30.908 < 2e-16 ***
IMP_STARS
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for Negative Binomial(40527.14) family taken to be 1)
    Null deviance: 22860 on 12794 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 13819 on 12771 degrees of freedom
AIC: 45812
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 1
            Theta: 40527
        Std. Err.: 34507
Warning while fitting theta: iteration limit reached
 2 x log-likelihood: -45762.3
```

Using p-values of the output above, only a couple predictors are significant. By removing insignificant variables and rerun the model, we have the following result.

# > summary(model3) Call: glm.nb(formula = wine\$TARGET ~ wine\$VolatileAcidity + wine\$LabelAppeal + wine\$AcidIndex + wine\$IMP\_Chlorides + wine\$IMP\_FreeSulfurDioxide + wine\$IMP\_TotalSulfurDioxide + wine\$IMP\_Sulphates + wine\$IMP\_Alcohol + wine\$M\_STARS + wine\$IMP\_STARS, data = wine, init.theta = 40508.37626, link = log)Deviance Residuals: Min 1Q Median **3Q** Max -3.1915 -0.6451 0.0135 0.4542 3.7733 Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|) (Intercept) 1.485e+00 4.556e-02 32.599 < 2e-16 \*\*\*\* wine\$VolatileAcidity -3.194e-02 6.518e-03 -4.900 9.61e-07 \*\*\* wine\$LabelAppeal 1.584e-01 6.128e-03 25.849 < 2e-16 \*\*\* -8.510e-02 5.180e-03 -16.429 < 2e-16 \*\*\* wine\$IMP\_Chlorides -3.602e-02 1.646e-02 -2.188 0.028654 \* wine\$IMP\_FreeSulfurDioxide 1.017e-04 3.508e-05 2.900 0.003731 \*\* wine\$IMP\_TotalSulfurDioxide 8.290e-05 2.273e-05 3.647 0.000265 \*\*\* wine\$IMP\_Sulphates -1.219e-02 5.753e-03 -2.120 0.034043 \* wine\$IMP\_Alcohol 3.602e-03 1.407e-03 2.560 0.010477 \* -1.038e+00 1.696e-02 -61.218 < 2e-16 \*\*\* wine\$M\_STARS wine\$IMP\_STARS 1.887e-01 6.090e-03 30.992 < 2e-16 \*\*\* Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 (Dispersion parameter for Negative Binomial(40508.38) family taken to be 1) Null deviance: 22860 on 12794 degrees of freedom Residual deviance: 13830 on 12784 degrees of freedom AIC: 45797

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 1

Theta: 40508 Std. Err.: 34489

Warning while fitting theta: iteration limit reached

2 x log-likelihood: -45773.42

Based on the output above, model #3 has the same list of significant variables as model #2 with similar coefficients. Some of the betas are slightly different such as Acid Index. However, AIC's for both models are different, which means that they're still different models.

## Model #4: ZIP

By putting all predictors in the ZIP model, we have the following result.

#### > summary(model4)

```
Call:
zeroinfl(formula = wine$TARGET ~ FixedAcidity + VolatileAcidity + CitricAcid + Density +
    LabelAppeal + AcidIndex + M_ResidualSugar + IMP_ResidualSugar + M_Chlorides + IMP_Chlorides +
    M_FreeSulfurDioxide + IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide + M_TotalSulfurDioxide + IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide +
    M_pH + IMP_pH + M_Sulphates + IMP_Sulphates + M_Alcohol + IMP_Alcohol + M_STARS +
    IMP_STARS, data = wine)
Pearson residuals:
     Min
               1Q
                     Median
                                  30
-2.340615 -0.415120 -0.002201 0.378937 5.666990
Count model coefficients (poisson with log link):
                      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
                      1.468e+00 2.025e-01 7.249 4.18e-13 ***
(Intercept)
                     3.621e-04 8.409e-04 0.431 0.6667
FixedAcidity
                    -1.240e-02 6.713e-03 -1.847
VolatileAcidity
                                                  0.0648 .
                     1.047e-03 6.019e-03 0.174
CitricAcid
                                                  0.8619
Density
                     -2.714e-01 1.978e-01 -1.372
                                                  0.1700
                     2.322e-01 6.320e-03 36.736 < 2e-16 ***
Label Appeal
                    -2.478e-02 5.545e-03 -4.469 7.87e-06 ***
AcidIndex
M_ResidualSugar
                    2.306e-02 2.391e-02 0.964
                                                  0.3348
IMP_ResidualSugar
                     -6.410e-05 1.586e-04 -0.404
                    2.092e-03 2.387e-02 0.088
M Chlorides
                                                  0.9302
                    -2.287e-02 1.689e-02 -1.354
IMP_Chlorides
                                                   0.1758
M FreeSulfurDioxide
                     4.525e-03 2.367e-02 0.191
                                                  0.8484
0.8754
IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide -1.565e-05 2.261e-05 -0.692
                                                  0.4890
Hg_M
                    -6.799e-03 3.068e-02 -0.222
                                                  0.8246
                    5.134e-03 7.848e-03 0.654
-7.363e-03 1.798e-02 -0.410
IMP_pH
                                                   0.5130
M_Sulphates
                                                  0.6822
                    -1.869e-04 5.914e-03 -0.032
IMP_Sulphates
                                                  0.9748
M_Alcohol
                    2.735e-04 2.363e-02 0.012 0.9908
IMP_Alcohol
                     6.926e-03 1.439e-03 4.814 1.48e-06 ***
                     -1.863e-01 1.858e-02 -10.030 < 2e-16 ***
M_STARS
                     1.043e-01 6.409e-03 16.270 < 2e-16 ***
IMP_STARS
Zero-inflation model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
                     Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)
                     -3.5568158 1.3643193 -2.607 0.009133 **
                    0.0034130 0.0054349 0.628 0.530018 0.1903772 0.0431724 4.410 1.04e-05 ***
FixedAcidity
VolatileAcidity
                    -0.0146805 0.0393847 -0.373 0.709337
CitricAcid
                     0.9186510 1.2914077 0.711 0.476863
Density
                     0.7297796   0.0422482   17.274   < 2e-16 ***
LabelAppeal
AcidIndex
                     0.4928941 0.0319419 15.431 < 2e-16 ***
M_ResidualSugar
                     0.0075088 0.1571279 0.048 0.961885
IMP_ResidualSugar
                    -0.0010982 0.0010275 -1.069 0.285151
                     0.0947962 0.1594084 0.595 0.552061
M_Chlorides
                     0.0917016 0.1081743 0.848 0.396594
IMP_Chlorides
M_FreeSulfurDioxide
                    -0.1329464 0.1528819 -0.870 0.384518
IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide -0.0007608 0.0002385 -3.189 0.001426 **
M_TotalSulfurDioxide -0.1728922 0.1532980 -1.128 0.259397
0.2903890 0.1925911 1.508 0.131606
0.2032362 0.0504837 4.026 5.68e-05
Ha M
Hq_PMI
                                           4.026 5.68e-05 ***
                     0.1067880 0.1123442 0.951 0.341836
M_Sulphates
                     0.1375941 0.0382478 3.597 0.000321 ***
IMP_Sulphates
M Alcohol
                     -0.1613730 0.1529210 -1.055 0.291302
IMP_Alcohol
                     0.0278925 0.0094048 2.966 0.003019 **
M_STARS
                      6.0552029 0.3568026 16.971 < 2e-16 ***
                     -3.8367600 0.3425468 -11.201 < 2e-16 ***
IMP_STARS
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 56

Log-likelihood: -2.04e+04 on 46 Df

Using p-values in the output above, by eliminating insignificant variables in both tables and rerunning the ZIP model, we have the following result.

```
zeroinfl(formula = wine$TARGET ~ wine$VolatileAcidity + wine$LabelAppeal + wine$AcidIndex +
   wine$IMP_Alcohol + wine$M_STARS + wine$IMP_STARS + wine$IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide +
    wine$IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide + wine$IMP_pH + wine$IMP_Sulphates, data = wine)
    Min 10 Median
                             3Q
                                       Max
-2.335334 -0.418925 -0.002208 0.379241 5.785516
Count model coefficients (poisson with log link):
Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
wine$IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide 2.611e-05 3.539e-05 0.738 0.4606
wine$IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide -1.618e-05 2.260e-05 -0.716 0.4742
wine$IMP_PH 5.340e-03 7.842e-03 0.681 0.4959
wine$IMP_pH 5.340e-03 7.842e-03 0.681 0.4959 wine$IMP_Sulphates -2.080e-05 5.911e-03 -0.004 0.9972
Zero-inflation model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
wine$IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide -0.0007813 0.0002383 -3.279 0.001043 **
wine$IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide -0.0009605 0.0001504 -6.386 1.70e-10 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

ZIP and ZINB results have two tables in the output. The second table "zero-inflation model" uses logit or probit regression to predict whether the target variable is 0 or not 0 (is the wine sold or not sold?). If the target variable is predicted to be non-0, the first table "count model" uses Poisson or NB to predict the number of wine cases sold.

Label Appeal has positive coefficient in both tables, which means that better label design yields a higher probability of the wine being sold and also more wine cases being sold. However, it's interesting that M\_STARS and IMP\_STARS have different signs in the two tables. Positive M\_STARS in the second table means that wine with missing values in star ratings (M\_STARS=1) is more likely to be sold (target=non-0). Negative M\_STARS in the first table means that wine with known values in star ratings (M\_STARS=0) has more wine cases sold. Negative IMP\_STARS in the second table means that wine with lower star ratings is more likely to be sold (target=non-0). Perhaps wine distribution companies are looking for hidden gems in the industry by taking the risk on lower-rated wine. Positive IMP\_STARS in the first table means that as the star ratings go up, more wine cases are sold, which make sense in real life.

Most of the coefficients in the first table have the same sign (negative or positive) as the result in model #2 with different absolute value. However, Total Sulfur Dioxide is an exception with different sign and absolute value between this model and model #2.

#### Model #5: ZINB

By putting all predictors in the ZINB model, we have the following result.

```
> summary(model5)
Call:
zeroinfl(formula = wine$TARGET ~ FixedAcidity + VolatileAcidity + CitricAcid + Density +
     LabelAppeal + AcidIndex + M_ResidualSugar + IMP_ResidualSugar + M_Chlorides + IMP_Chlorides +
     M_FreeSulfurDioxide + IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide + M_TotalSulfurDioxide + IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide +
     M_pH + IMP_pH + M_Sulphates + IMP_Sulphates + M_Alcohol + IMP_Alcohol + M_STARS +
    IMP_STARS, data = wine, dist = "negbin", EM = TRUE)
Pearson residuals:
       Min
                 10
                        Median
-2.340632 -0.415125 -0.002201 0.378936 5.667016
Count model coefficients (negbin with log link):
                 Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)

    (Intercept)
    1.468e+00
    2.025e-01
    7.249
    4.19e-13

    FixedAcidity
    3.621e-04
    8.409e-04
    0.431
    0.66674

    VolatileAcidity
    -1.240e-02
    6.713e-03
    -1.847
    0.06480

    CitricAcid
    1.047e-03
    6.019e-03
    0.174
    0.86191

                        1.468e+00 2.025e-01 7.249 4.19e-13 ***
Density
                        -2.714e-01 1.978e-01 -1.372 0.17004
                         2.322e-01 6.320e-03 36.736 < 2e-16 ***
LabelAppeal
                         -2.478e-02 5.545e-03 -4.469 7.86e-06 ***
2.306e-02 2.391e-02 0.965 0.33479
AcidIndex
M_ResidualSugar
IMP_ResidualSugar -6.409e-05 1.586e-04 -0.404 0.68608
M_Chlorides 2.091e-03 2.387e-02 0.088 0.93019

        IMP_Chlorides
        -2.287e-02
        1.689e-02
        -1.354
        0.17578

        M_FreeSulfurDioxide
        4.525e-03
        2.367e-02
        0.191
        0.84839

IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide 2.613e-05 3.542e-05 0.738 0.46060
M_TotalSulfurDioxide -3.622e-03 2.308e-02 -0.157 0.87532
IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide -1.564e-05 2.261e-05 -0.692 0.48907
                    -6.801e-03 3.068e-02 -0.222 0.82459
M_pH
                          5.134e-03 7.848e-03 0.654 0.51303
IMP_pH
                      -7.363e-03 1.798e-02 -0.410 0.68217
M_Sulphates
                       -1.872e-04 5.914e-03 -0.032 0.97475
IMP_Sulphates
                         2.744e-04 2.363e-02 0.012 0.99073
6.926e-03 1.439e-03 4.814 1.48e-06 ***
M_Alcohol
IMP_Alcohol
                        -1.863e-01 1.858e-02 -10.030 < 2e-16 ***
M_STARS
IMP_STARS
                         1.043e-01 6.409e-03 16.270 < 2e-16 ***
Log(theta) 1.232e+01 3.914e+00 3.148 0.00164 **
```

```
Zero-inflation model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
                             Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
                           -3.5577787 1.3643632 -2.608 0.009117 **
(Intercept)
VolatileAcidity
CitricAcid
Density
FixedAcidity
                           0.0034130 0.0054349 0.628 0.530025
                           0.1903755 0.0431727 4.410 1.04e-05 ***
                           -0.0146764 0.0393850 -0.373 0.709418
Density 0.9199998 1.2914185 0.712 0.476220 LabelAppeal 0.7297887 0.0422487 17.274 < 2e-16 *** AcidIndex 0.4928952 0.0319422 15.431 < 2e-16 *** M_ResidualSugar 0.0075311 0.1571289 0.048 0.961773 IMP_ResidualSugar -0.0010982 0.0010275 -1.069 0.285151 M_Chlorides 0.0947874 0.1594095 0.595 0.552100 IMP_Chlorides 0.0916944 0.1081752 0.848 0.396635 M_FreeSulfurDioxide -0.1329500 0.1528829 -0.870 0.384508 IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide -0.0007688 0.0002385 -3 189 0.001426 ***
IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide -0.0007608 0.0002385 -3.189 0.001426 **
M_TotalSulfurDioxide -0.1729121 0.1532993 -1.128 0.259346
М_рН
                  0.2903880 0.1925929 1.508 0.131610
IMP_pH
                          0.2032389 0.0504840 4.026 5.68e-05 ***
0.1375940 0.0382481 3.597 0.000321 ***
M_Alcohol
                         -0.1613623 0.1529220 -1.055 0.291337
                         0.0278939 0.0094049 2.966 0.003018 **
IMP_Alcohol
                          6.0556588 0.3569399 16.965 < 2e-16 ***
M_STARS
                          -3.8371855 0.3426783 -11.198 < 2e-16 ***
IMP_STARS
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Theta = 224194.5129
Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 1
Log-likelihood: -2.04e+04 on 47 Df
```

Using p-values of the output above, we see that only a couple predictors are significant. By eliminating all insignificant predictors in both tables and rerunning the model, we have the following result.

```
> summary(model5)
zeroinfl(formula = wine\$TARGET \sim wine\$VolatileAcidity + wine\$LabelAppeal + wine\$AcidIndex + wine\$LabelAppeal + wine\$AcidIndex + wine\$LabelAppeal + wine\$AcidIndex + wine\$AcidI
          wine$IMP_Alcohol + wine$M_STARS + wine$IMP_STARS + wine$IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide +
          wine$IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide + wine$IMP_pH + wine$IMP_Sulphates, data = wine, dist = "negbin",
          EM = TRUE)
Pearson residuals:
              Min 1Q
                                                          Median
                                                                                             3Q
-2.335344 -0.418920 -0.002206 0.379241 5.785566
Count model coefficients (negbin with log link):
                                                                            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
                                                                         1.199e+00 5.526e-02 21.688 < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept)
wine$VolatileAcidity -1.239e-02 6.706e-03 -1.848 0.06458.
wine$LabelAppeal
                                                                         2.321e-01 6.319e-03 36.729 < 2e-16 ***
                                                                       -2.481e-02 5.477e-03 -4.529 5.92e-06 ***
wine$AcidIndex
wine$IMP_Alcohol
wine$M_STARS
                                                                        6.985e-03 1.437e-03 4.860 1.18e-06 ***
                                                                       -1.866e-01 1.857e-02 -10.046 < 2e-16 ***
wine$IMP_STARS
                                                                         1.046e-01 6.407e-03 16.325 < 2e-16 ***
wine$IMP_FreeSulfurDioxide 2.611e-05 3.539e-05 0.738 0.46056
wine$IMP_TotalSulfurDioxide -1.617e-05 2.260e-05 -0.716 0.47423
wine$IMP_pH 5.340e-03 7.842e-03 0.681 0.49594
wine$IMP_Sulphates -2.108e-05 5.911e-03 -0.004 0.99716
Log(theta)
                                                                          1.232e+01 3.869e+00 3.184 0.00145 **
```

Similar to our observations between models #2 and #3, using the output above, models #4 and #5 have the same list of predictors with similar betas. However, they have different AIC values, so they are still different models.

```
> mean(wine$TARGET)
[1] 3.029074
> var(wine$TARGET)
[1] 3.710895
```

As shown above, the mean and variance of the target variable are almost the same, which explains why the results of models #2 and #3, models #4 and #5 are similar. When the mean is the same as the variance, Poisson and NB give the same result and yield the same model.

#### Section 4: Model Evaluation

To compare the five models in section 3, we use the following metrics.

- AIC
- MSE (mean squared error)
- SSE (sum of square of error)

To calculate MSE and SSE for each model, we apply the predictive formulas of each model to the train dataset to generate five new variables with the forecasted results for the target variable.

```
AIC MSE SSE
model 1 43287.38 1.7213 22024.10
model 2 45795.01 1.7349 7358.64
model 3 45797.42 1.7349 7358.64
model 4 40853.97 1.6205 20734.84
model 5 40856.10 1.6205 20734.85
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Quantitatively, the best model is the one with the lowest AIC, lowest MSE, and lowest SSE. Based on the table above, using AIC, model #4 is the winner. Using MSE, models #4 and #5 tie as winner. Using SSE, models #2 and #3 tie as the winner. Since the analyst doesn't have any industry knowledge, quantitative reasoning is the only factor used to evaluate the models. Based on the table result above, model #4 ZIP is the champion model chosen.

# CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the wine sales project starts with the data exploration section to get to know the data. In this stage, we examine the size (number of observations and variables) of the dataset, identify variables with missing value and outlier issues, and get the descriptive statistics of each variable such as five-number summary, mean, and median. The second section data preparation has two parts: the first part addresses missing value issues, and the second part addresses outlier issues. Majority of the variables have outliers on both ends. Though this is not a deal-breaker on regression assumptions, the existence of outliers on both tails might affect the regression formulas. There are pros and cons for both options of keeping the variables the same or trimming them. So, we keep the variables the same and proceed to the next section. The final decision will be made as we get to the model development phase by examining the betas of the models.

The project then proceed to the third section of model development where five models are created:

- 1. OLS multiple linear regression
- 2. Poisson regression
- 3. Negative binomial regression
- 4. Zero-inflated Poisson regression
- 5. Zero-inflated negative binomial regression

By examining the coefficients of these models, especially Label Appeal and STARS, we conclude that there's no need to go back to section 2 to trim the data. Thus, we move forward with the last section of the project: model evaluation. By using three metrics AIC, MSE, and SSE, model #4 zero-inflated Poisson regression is chosen as the champion model. A stand-alone scoring program is developed using this model #4 to forecast the number of wine cases sold for future dataset.

Researchers who want to continue to study this project are encouraged to add more variables, gather more data, and speak to industry experts to develop better models than the ones created here. The last step is the most important recommendation since the data analyst of this project doesn't have any industry knowledge about wine, its characteristics, and chemical components.