Product Pricing Algorithm

Business Science

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Problem Statement

Research and Development wants help to determine new product ideas and pricing using existing product line as a benchmark.

Solution Summary

We've identified several product gaps in the existing product line including:

- 1. Aluminum Over Mountain
- 2. Aluminum Triathalon

The Data Science Team has developed a pricing model that uses predictive analytics to estimate the price of the new bicycle models based on the existing fleet. This ensures that new models are priced comparatively to other similar bicycles.

New product prediction for 2 new models:

- 1. Trigger, Over Mountain with Aluminum Frame: \$2,985
- 2. Slice, Triathalon with Aluminum Frame: \$2,438

Next Steps: Integrate the model into a proof-of-concept web application that can be deployed to the R&D department.

Gap Analysis

Bike List

Our current product portfolio consists of 97 bike models that were analyzed.

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## # A tibble: 97 x 15
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         id price model category_1 category_2 frame_material model_base model_tier
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       team <dbl>, red <dbl>, ultegra <dbl>, dura_ace <dbl>, disc <dbl>
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Gaps

The visualization segments the full bicycle product line by category and frame material. This exposes two product gaps:

1. New Aluminum line of bikes in the Over Mountain Category

Product Gap Analysis

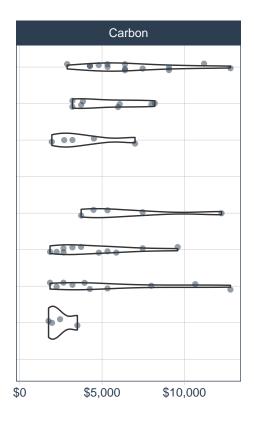
2. New Aluminum line of bikes in the Triathalon

Cross Country Race Over Mountain Triathalon Fat Bike Trail Endurance Road Elite Road Cyclocross

\$5,000

Sport

\$0



\$10,000

Price Prediction

New product prediction for 2 new models:

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2. Slice, Triathalon with Aluminum Frame: \$2,438

New Model Attribute	Slice Al 1	Trigger Al 1
.pred	\$2,131	\$2,200
frame_material	Aluminum	Aluminum
category_2	Triathalon	Over Mountain
model_base	Slice	Trigger
model_tier	Ultegra	Aluminum 1
black	0	0
hi_mod	0	0
team	0	0
red	0	0
ultegra	0	0
dura_ace	0	0
disc	0	0