

Group 16

Dynamic Banner Conversion for A/B Testing

Think you got the best marketing strategy for your business?
Think again!

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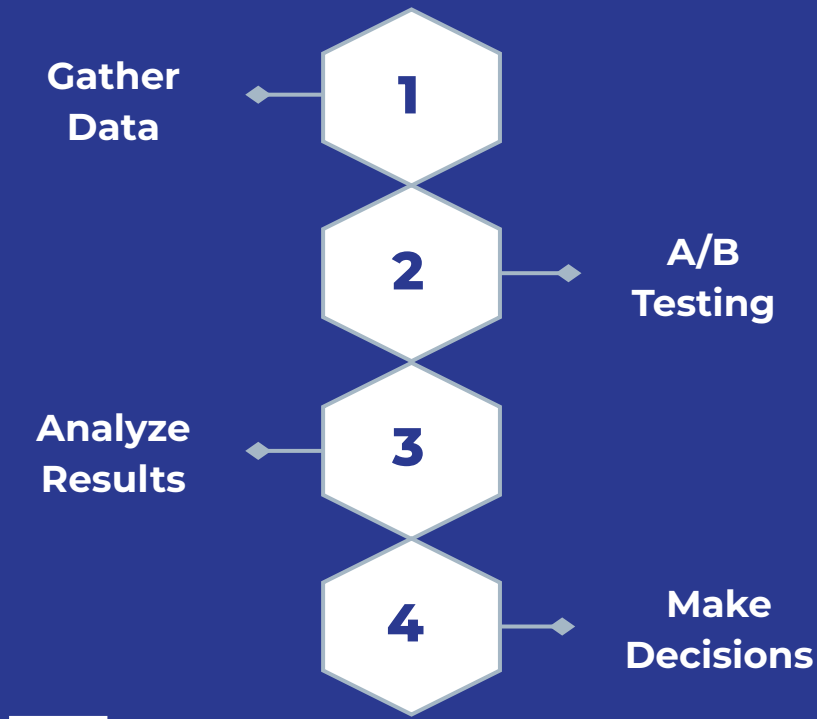
What is A/B Testing?

A/B testing is a way to find out how Product A is doing compared to Product B



Lost Opportunities
Fail to update the 'best strategy' on a regular basis

Traditional A/B Test



Problem Statement



Introduce new architecture to address the 'lost opportunity' in traditional A/B testing workflow



Optimize the display of product ad banners for a retailer using the new architecture

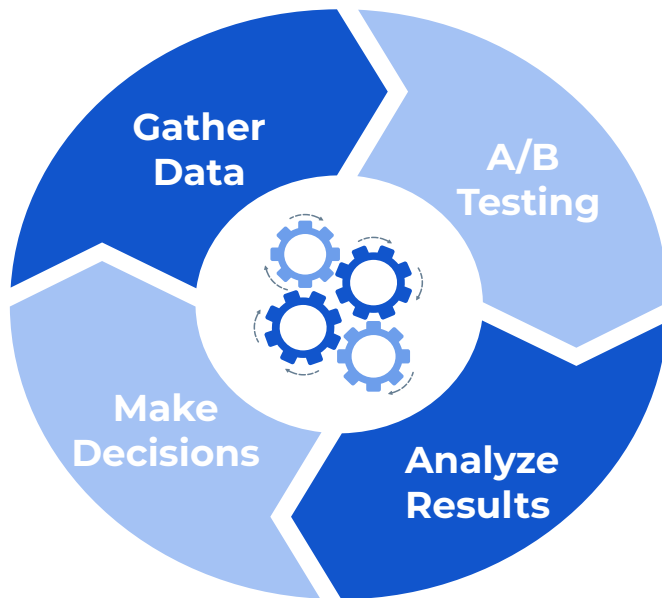
Dynamic A/B Testing

Gather Data

Randomized the users to A/B groups

Make Decisions

Based on the result, adjust weights for A/B group and adjust experiment setting



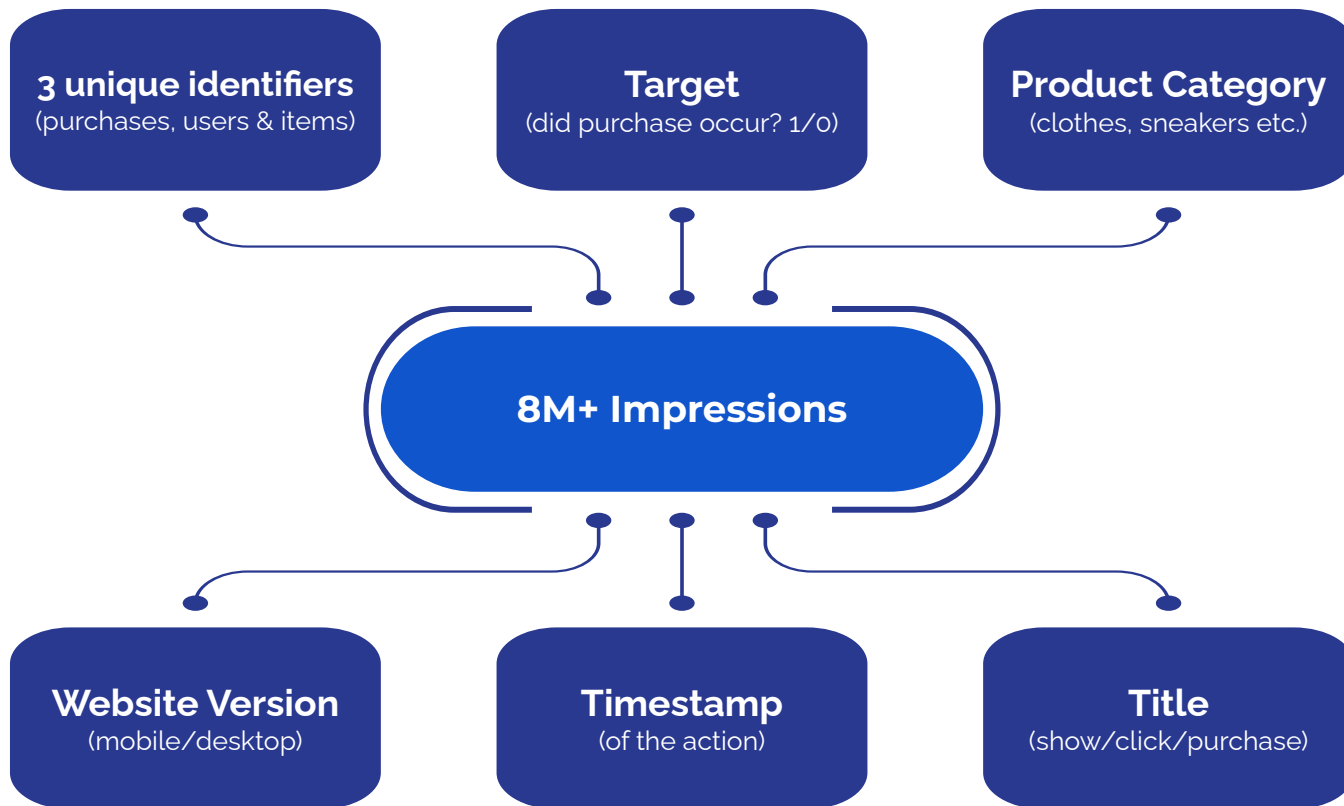
A/B Testing

Conduct statistical testing on the key metrics

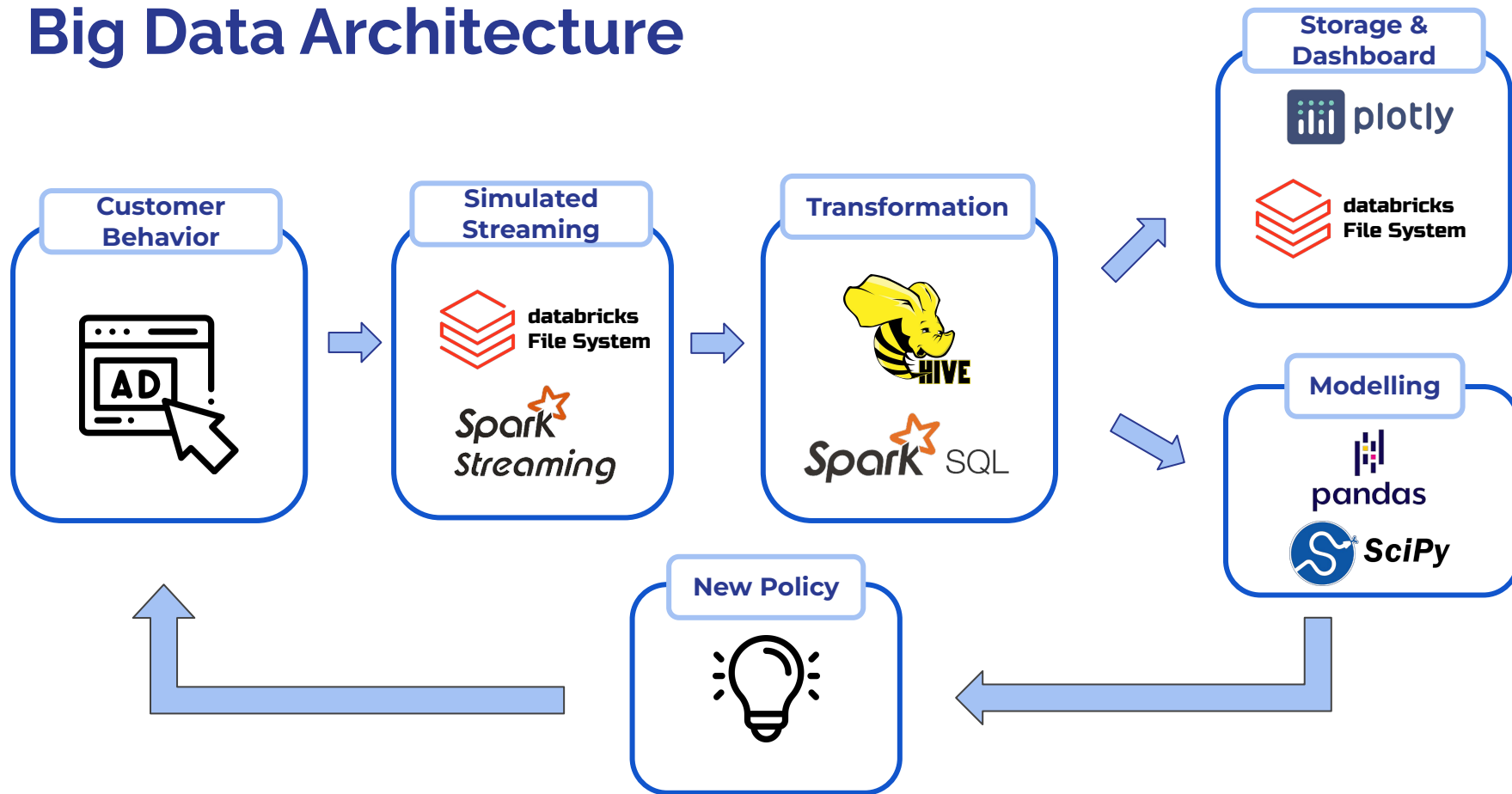
Analyze Results

Automatically review the testing result and determine which is better

Data Description



Big Data Architecture



Streaming Dashboard Demo

Banner Conversion Dashboard

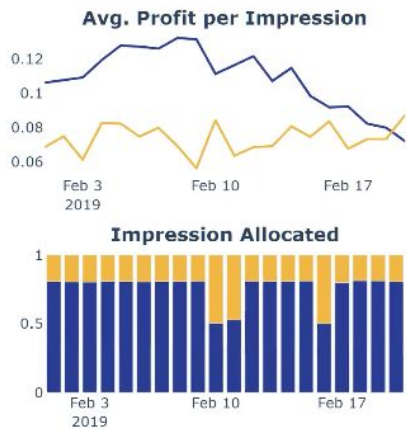
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Winner: Clothes

— Dynamic A/B — Baseline - Always Show Clothes



■ Clothes ■ Sneakers



How is this better?



Traditional Approach

- Review the experiment each time to manually set up the next experiment
- Opportunity and time costs are incurred due to not updating
- Easy to implement

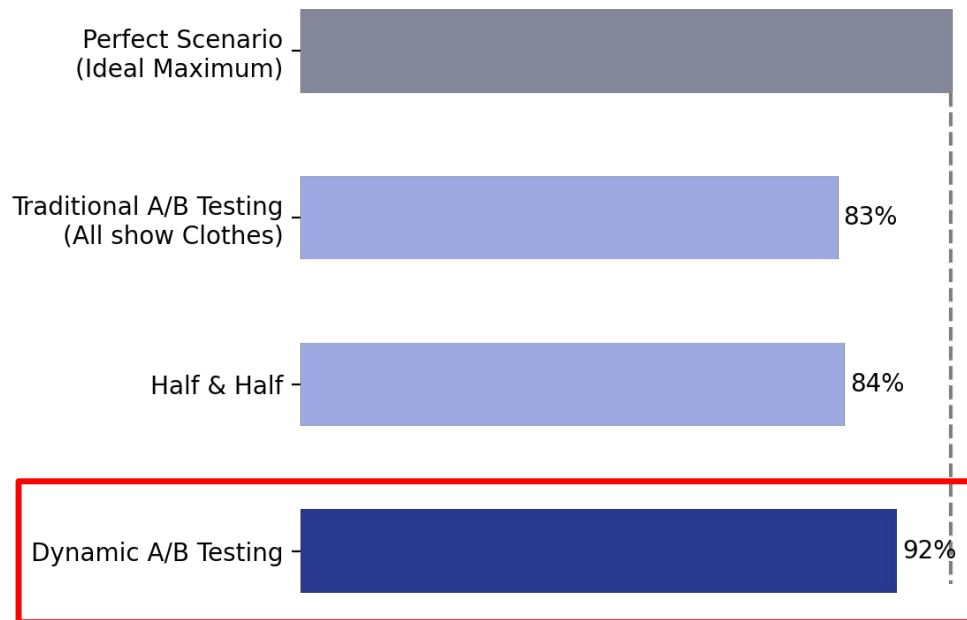


Our Approach

- Constantly review the experiment to automatically adjust configuration settings
- Create interactive dashboard to visualize the results (CTR, ROI)
- Scalable to accommodate many parallel experiments

How is this better?

With dynamic A/B testing, we get 92% of revenue out of the best case



Limitations & Future Scope

1

Updates are not real-time

Big datasets take time to ingest and conduct A/B testing

Future Scope: Use real-time streaming to better capture the optimal switch time

2

Sensitive to outliers

Policy changes are based only on the current time-frame

Future Scope: Include data of recent past to capture 'trends'

3

Similar product performance

If both products perform equally well, there won't be any dynamic updates

Future Scope: This stability can be used for innovative experiments

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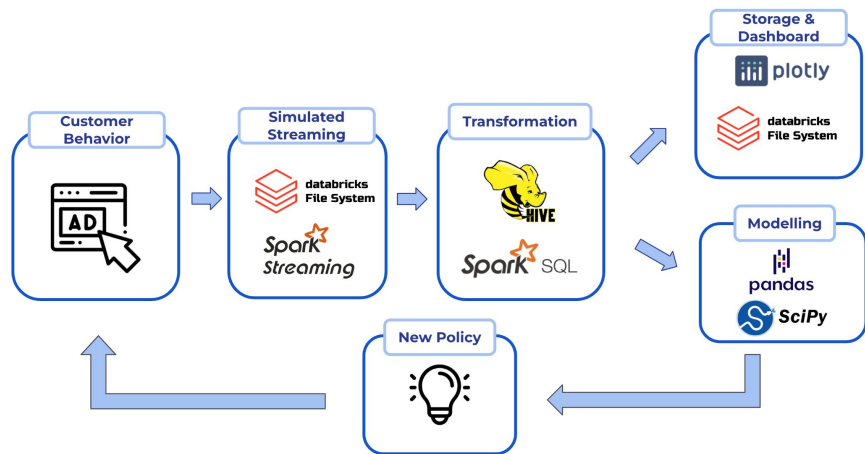
Tool Limitations

Community edition tools were used to build this proof-of-concept

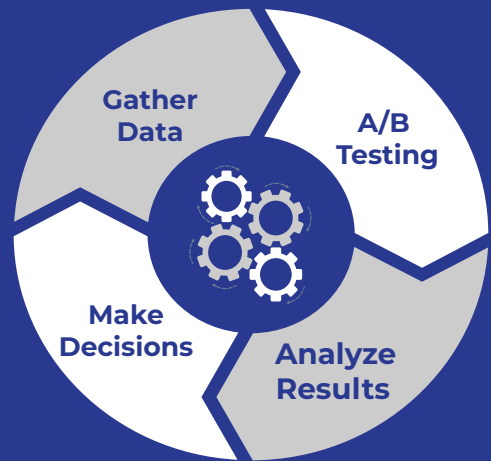
Future Scope: Use licensed unrestricted software for real-time analysis

Summary

Created a scalable cloud-based big data architecture for dynamic A/B testing



Improved RoI by ~9% by dynamically changing product ad banners shows to users





Thank you!