



# Market Basket Analysis

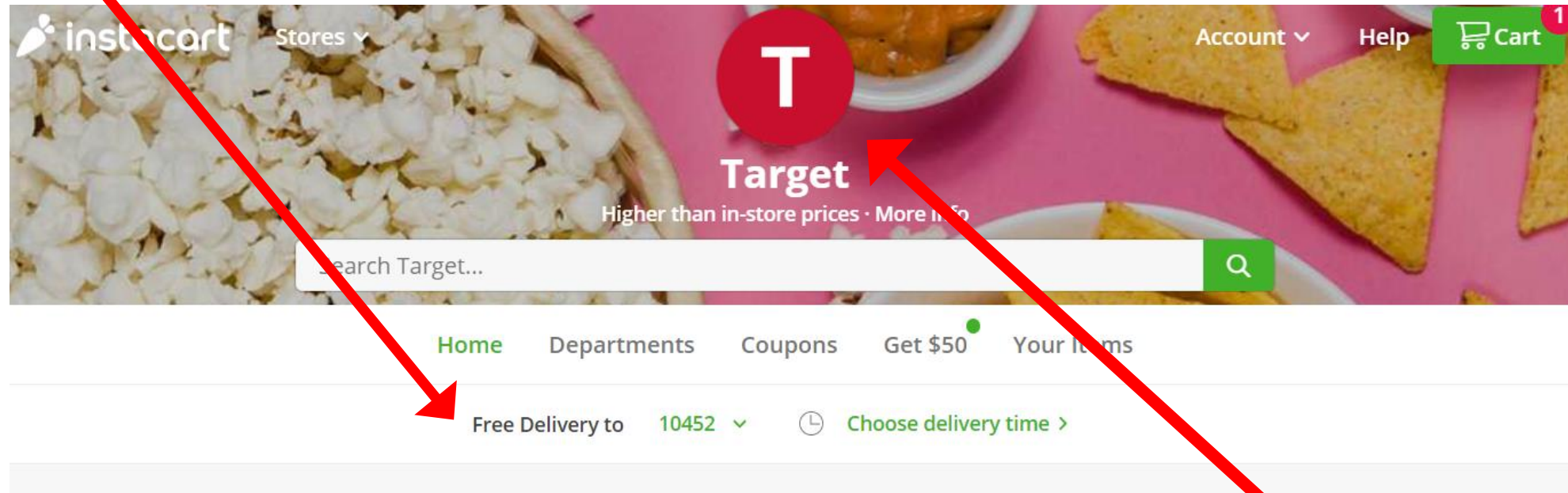
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*Who is the client?*

*What can we solve with data?*

# Who is instacart ?

Delivery company, hiring local shoppers to...



deliver groceries from retail partners.

# Industry: High Competition

**amazon**fresh



**SHIP**



**Postmates**

*Groceries*

*Alcohol*

**freshdirect**



# Industry: Going after Instacart

**amazon**fresh

ACQUIRED



**SHIFT**

ACQUIRED BY

2017  
INSTACART  
PARTNER



# Instacart's Strategy

Competitive  
Advantage



"One-Stop-Shop"  
Groceries + Alcohol

User Engagement  
& Retention



\$25K Competition:  
New Recommender  
Model

Product Developments:  
Alcohol Reviews &  
Instacart Pickup

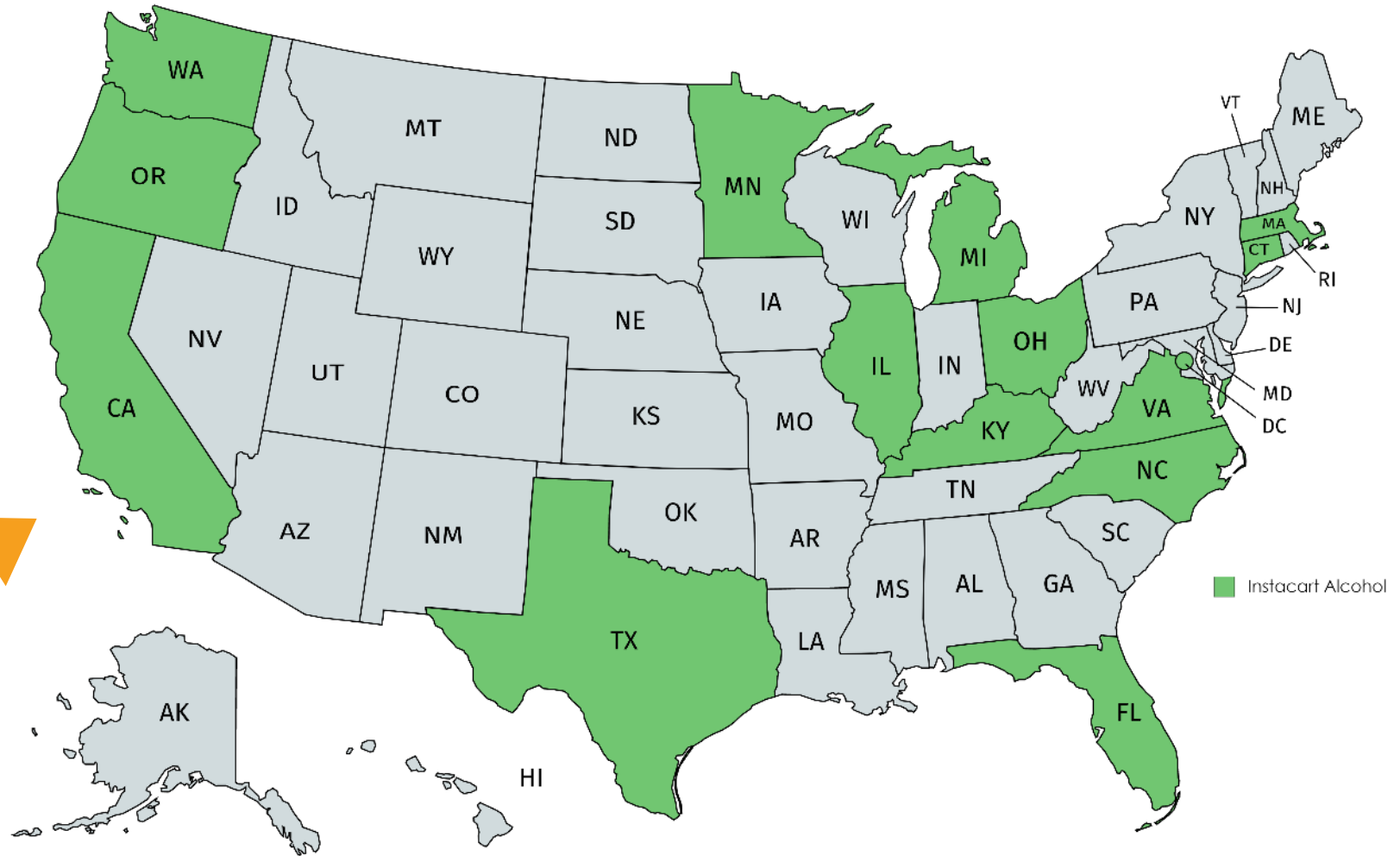
Expansion Outside  
US



Instacart Canada

# Competitive Advantage: Groceries + Alcohol

*“As more people move online for their weekly grocery shop, it's important they're able to **get everything they need** - from fresh groceries and pantry staples to **wine, beer and spirits**” - Instacart president [Nilam Ganenthiran](#)*



2019

14 States + Washington DC

# Question

*Now that the segment is live...*

**Does our data support the alcohol expansion?** If so, what marketing insights can we collect from data?

*If answer...*

**YES** – Continue

**NO** – Pivot



# What data is available to analyze?



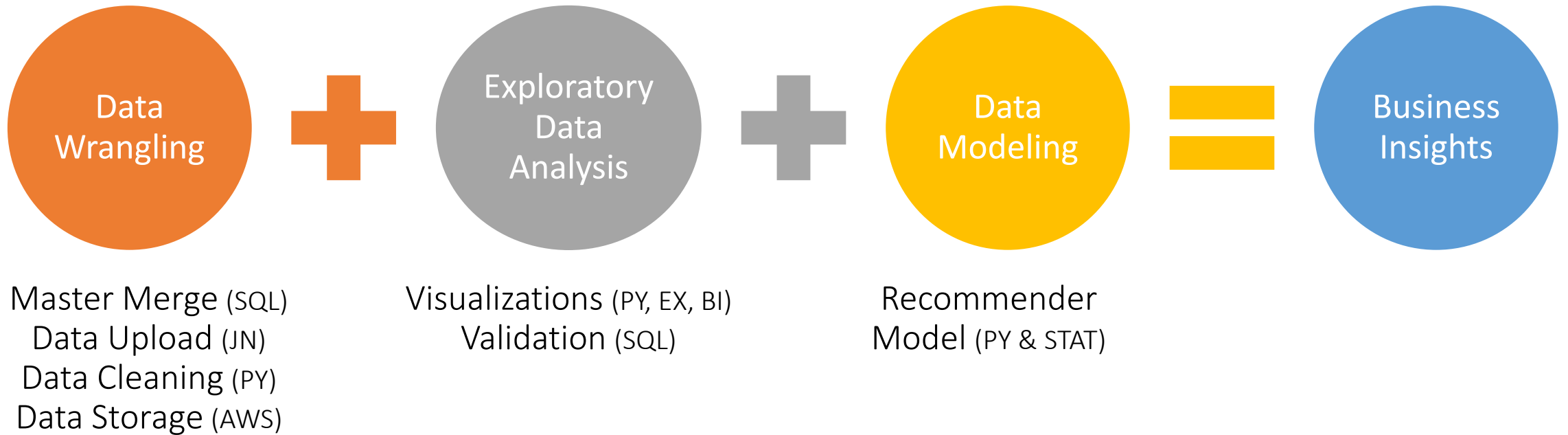
**3+ Million Orders**  
**200K+ Users**

Source

*"The Instacart Online Grocery Shopping Dataset 2017", Accessed from  
<https://www.instacart.com/datasets/grocery-shopping-2017> on 12/16/2019*

# Project Steps

## Process



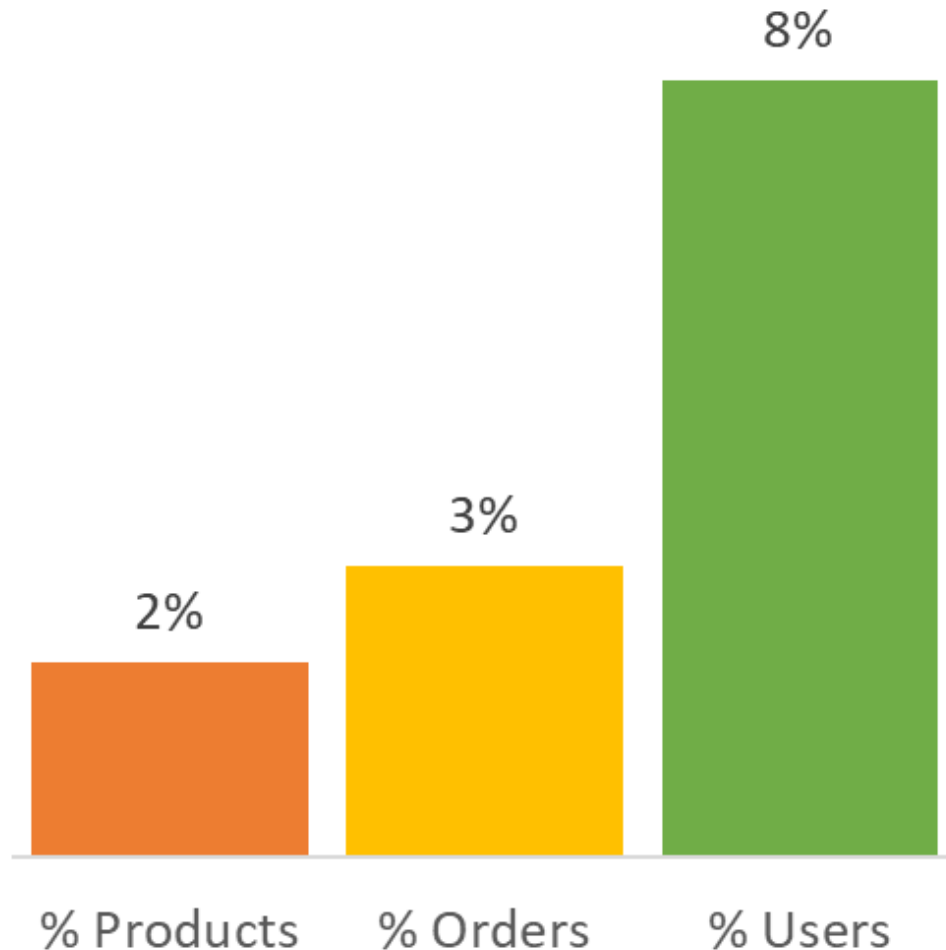
## Tools:

Structured Query Learning (SQL), Jupyter Notebook (JN), Python (PY), Amazon Web Services (AWS), Microsoft Excel (EX), PowerBI (BI), Statistics (STAT)

*How is alcohol segment performing?*

# High Demand

Alcohol Proportion to Totals



Despite 2% Inventory

8%

Users buy Alcohol

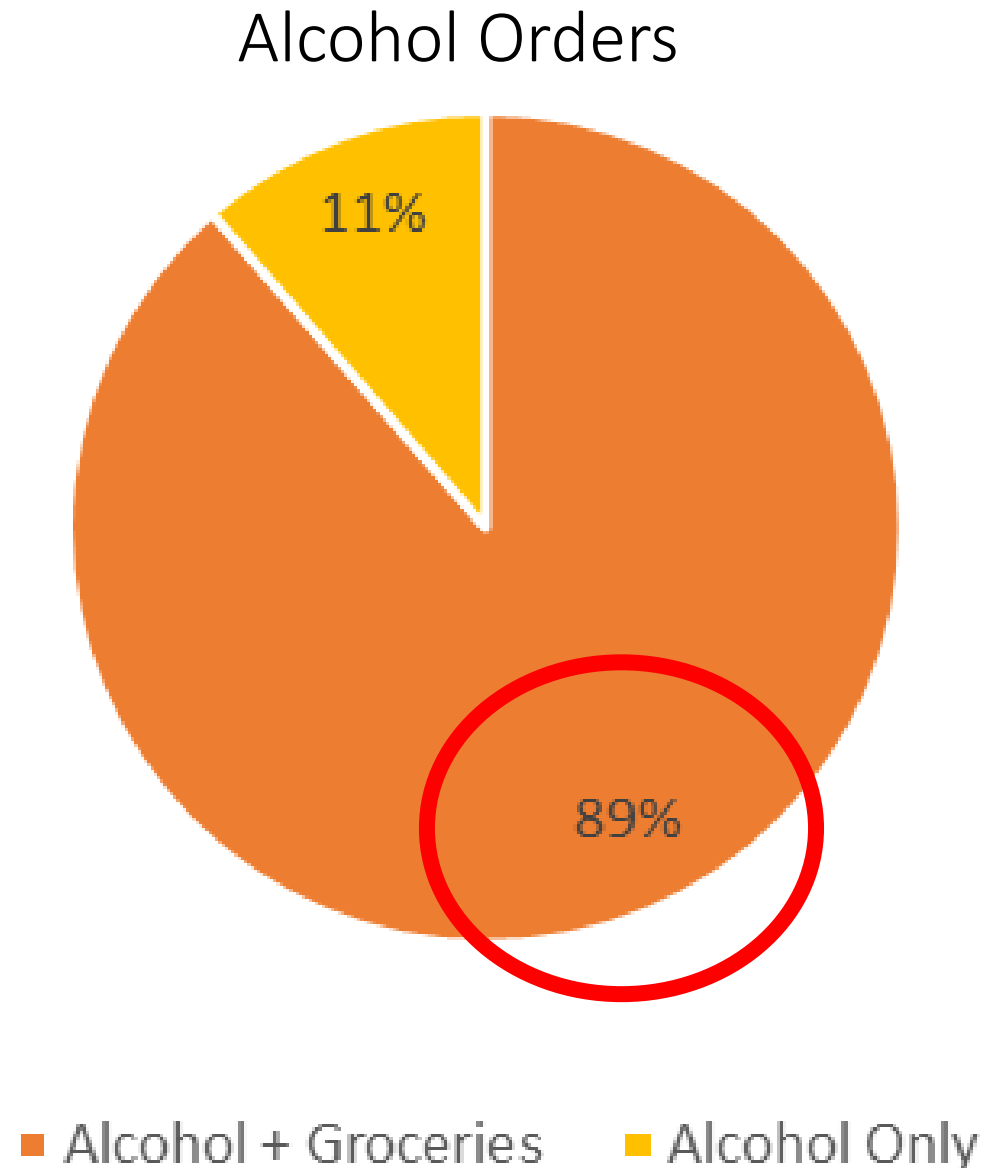
Low Supply  
**HIGH** Demand

# Cross-Selling

89%

*of orders with alcohol, also  
have groceries*

**HIGH Cross-Selling**  
between alcohol & non-  
alcohol products



# Up-Selling

25%

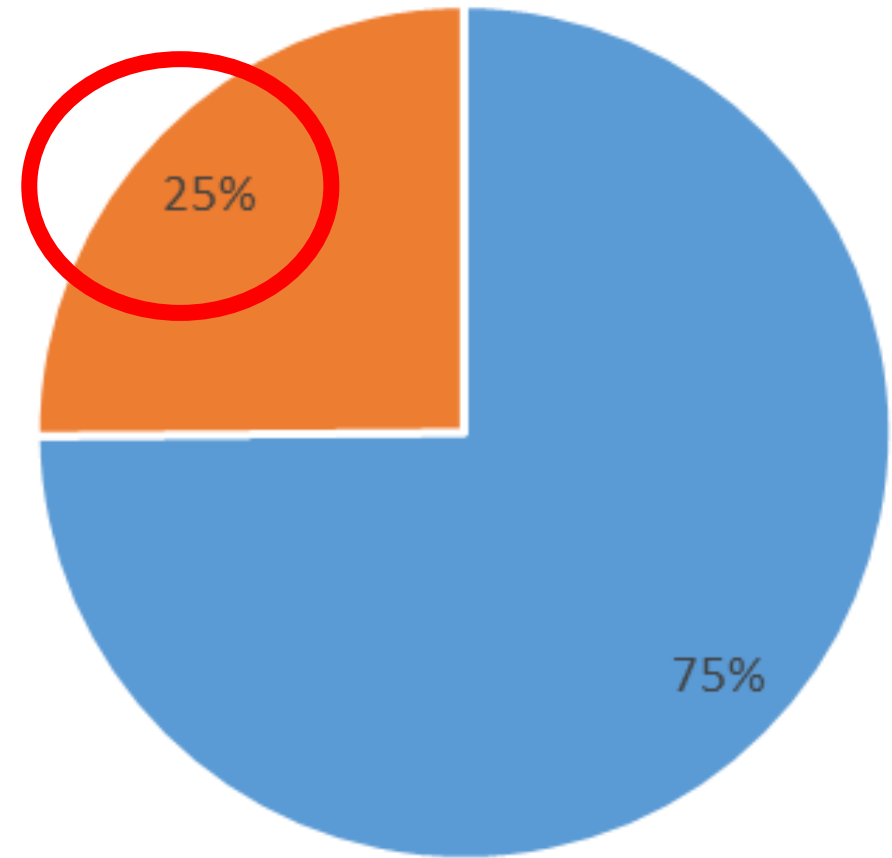
Orders where user chose alcohol first and then added groceries.

145,889

grocery units gained

**HIGH** Up-Selling Potential

Alcohol + Grocery Orders



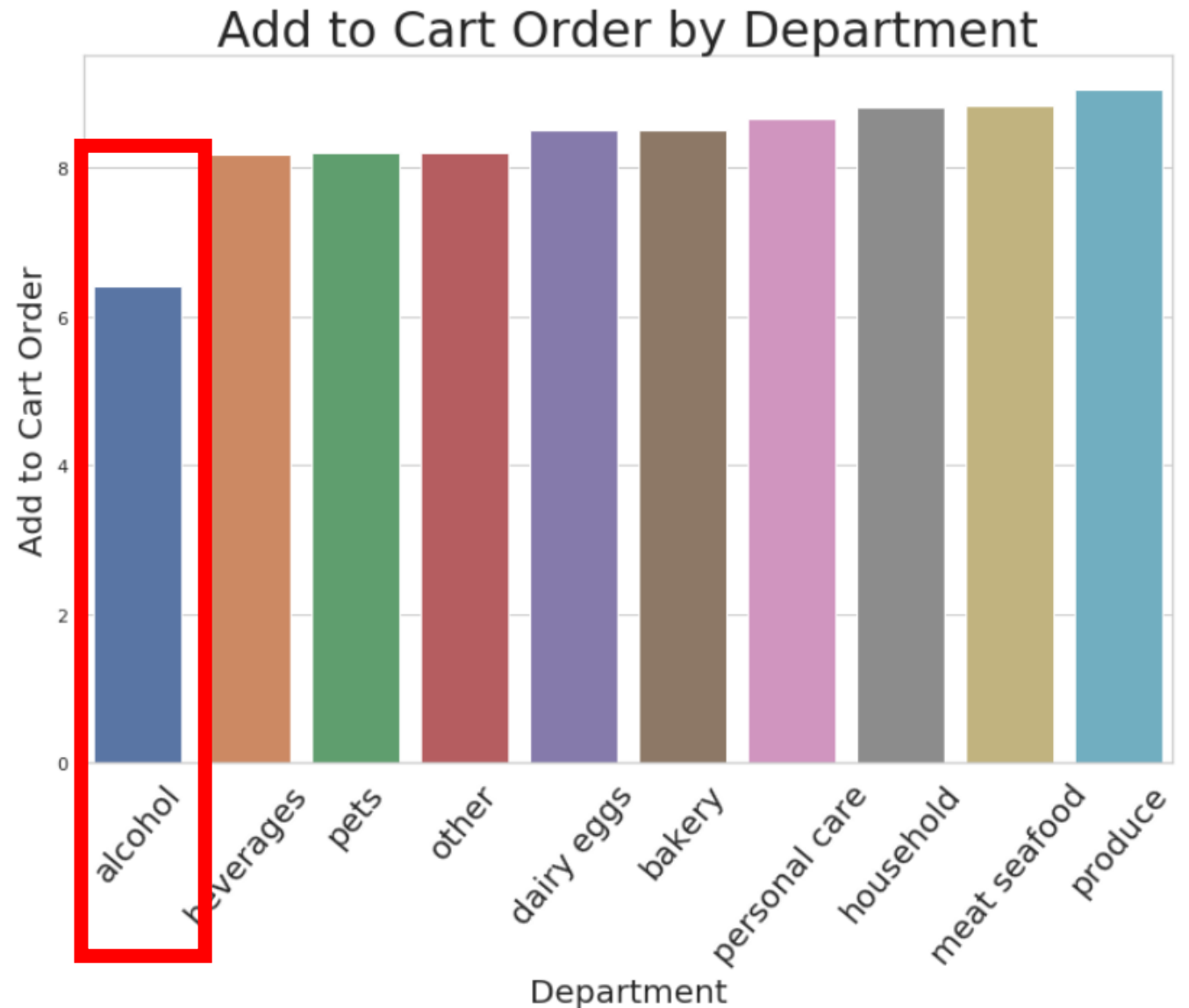
■ Alcohol + Groceries Orders ■ First Item = Alcohol

# Position in Cart

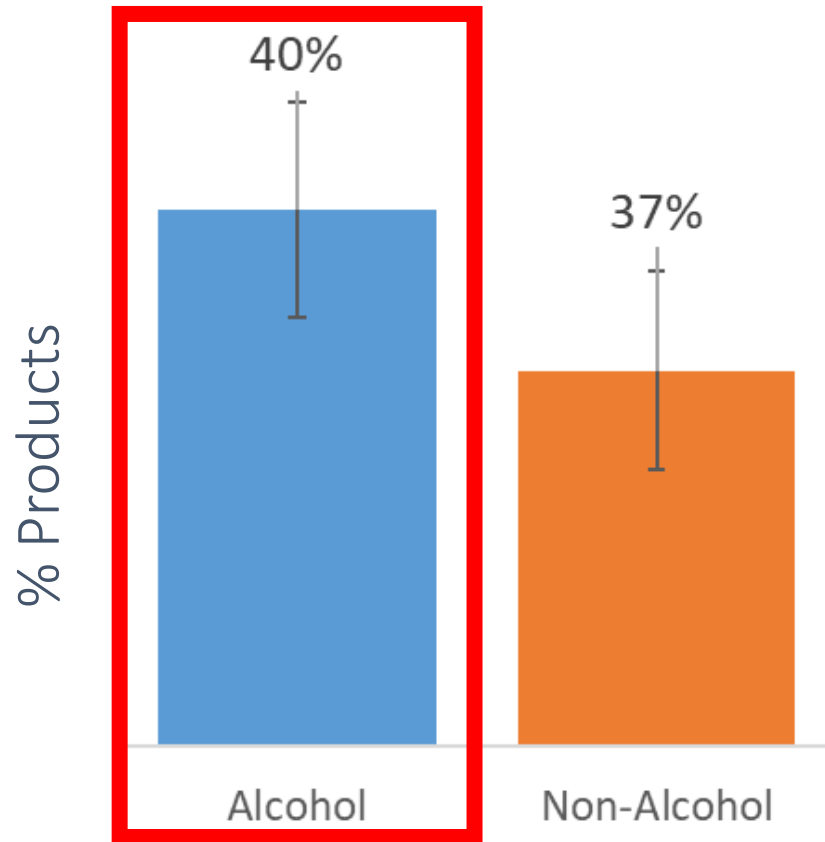
**LOWEST**

“add to cart order”

Alcohol is one of the first items in cart

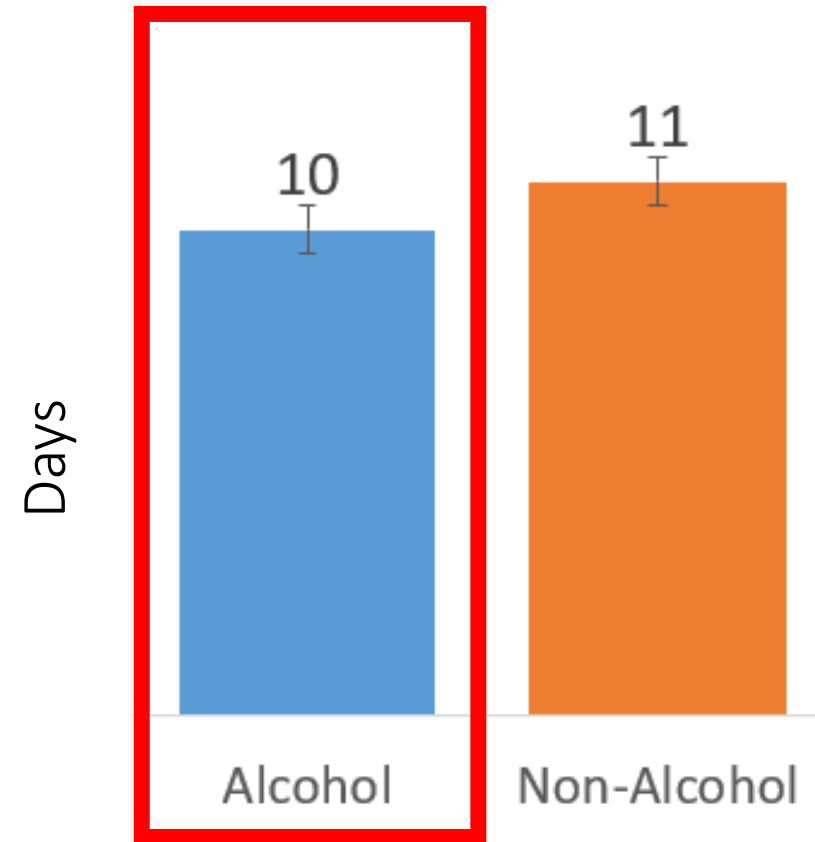


# Reordered Ratio



Alcohol products **3% higher** reordered ratio

# Order Gap



Alcohol orders made **1 day earlier**



# Does our data support the alcohol expansion?

# YES!

- ✓ Demand (8% Users)
  - ✓ Cross-Selling
  - ✓ Up-Selling
- ✓ Position in Cart
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- ✓ Order Gap

*Any marketing insights / opportunities  
discovered?*

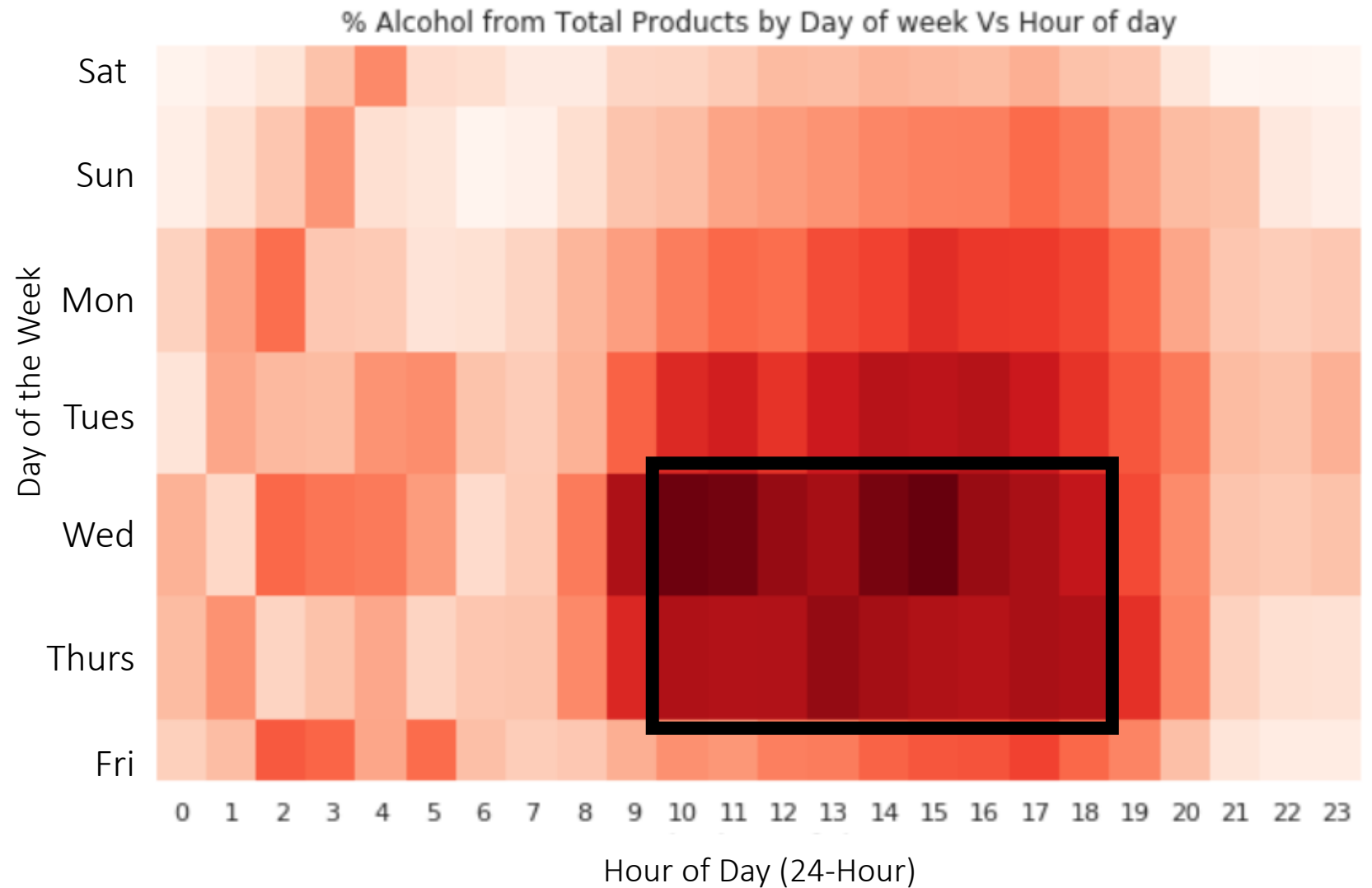
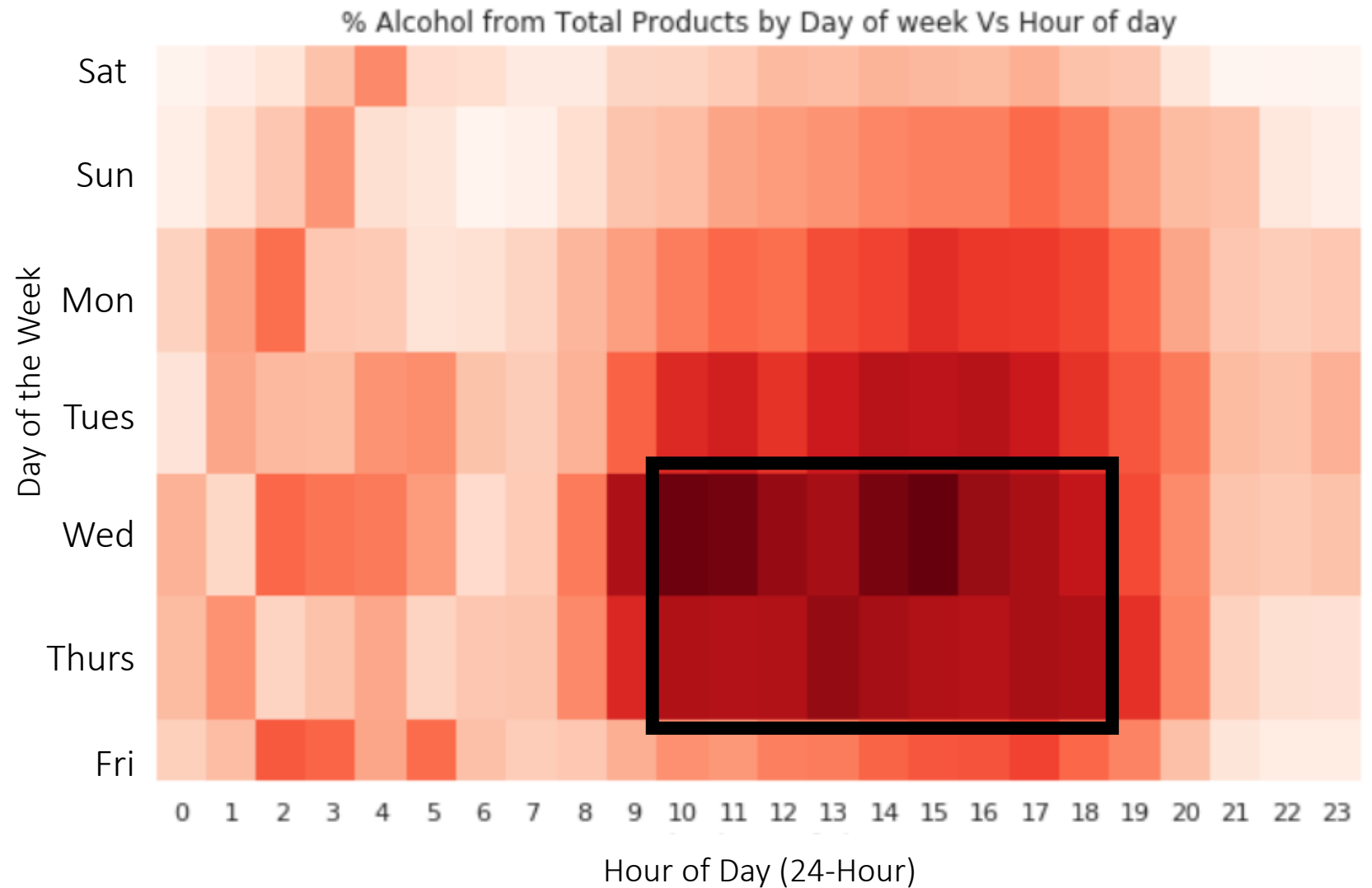
# Timing

General Order Peak:  
Weekends AM

Alcohol Peak:  
Wednesday –  
Thursday PM

## Marketing : Outreach Timing

Retailer:  
Offpeak hours?



# Best Sellers

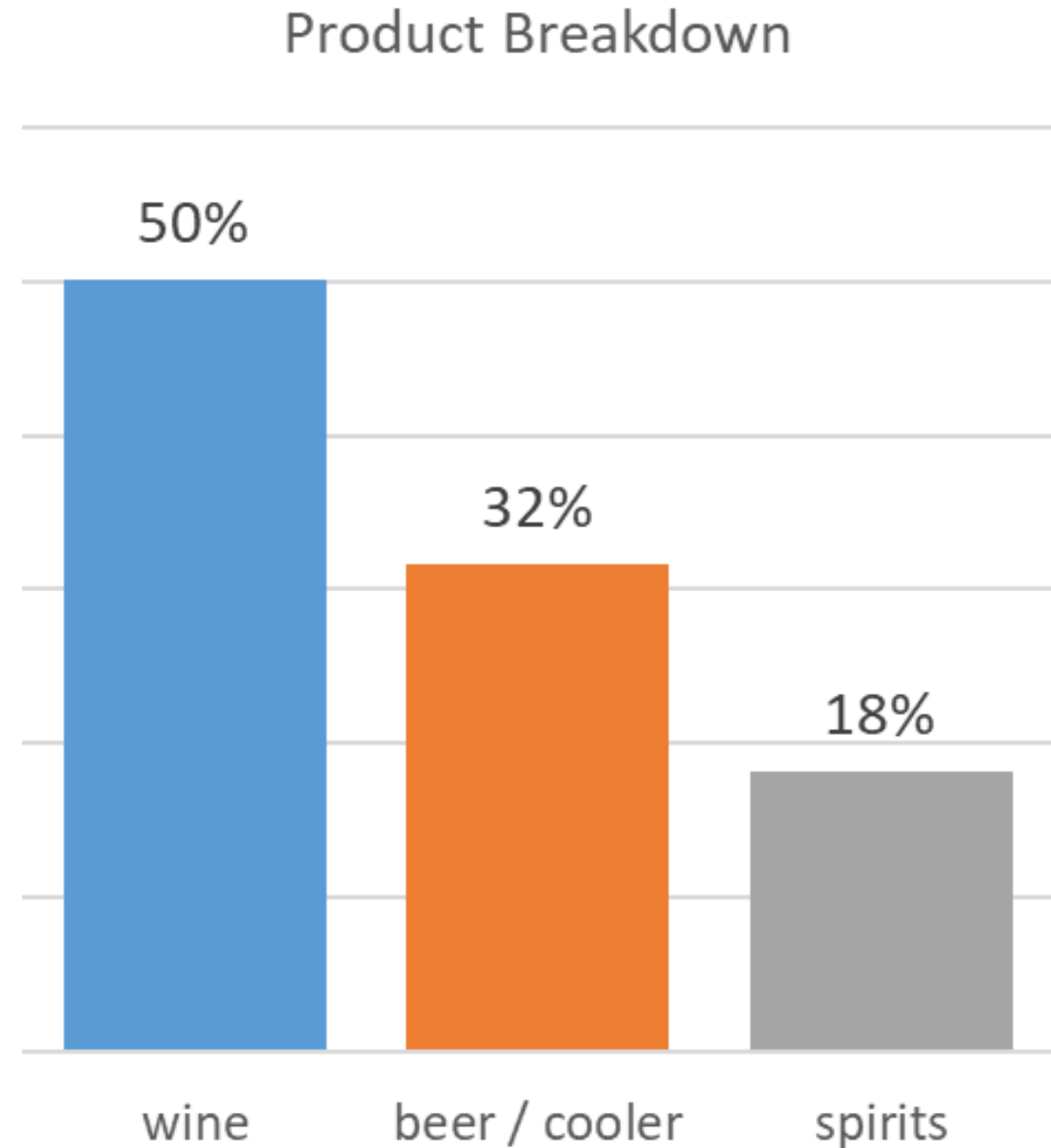
# 1 Wine

# 2 Beer & Coolers

# 3 Spirits

Marketing:  
Wine & Food Pairings

Retailer:  
Inventory



# Alcohol + Grocery Pairings (Recommender Model)

- Tool Used: **Machine Learning** Method (Association Rule Learning )
- Output: Product pairs by correlation within an order (sample below)

WINE	BEER	SPIRITS
Watermelon	<b>Ice Bag</b>	Mixers
Cheese	Soda	<b>Lemons</b>
Salami	Tortilla Chips	<b>Paper Towel</b>
<b>Avocado</b>	Hummus	Sour Cream
<b>Carrots</b>	Bread	Avocado

- User behavior supports vision (Competitive advantage)
- Marketing
  - Customer Segmentation
  - Advertising Ideas (Romantic Dinners, Parties, Recipes) >> Potential Partnerships

*Let's wrap things up*

# Conclusion

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If YES, what marketing insights can we collect from data?

Timing

Best Sellers

Alcohol & Grocery Pairs (Recommendation Model)

## *Recommendations & Next Steps*

- [With user data] **Personalized Recommendation Model** incorporating User Features
- [With full product names] **Inventory Analysis** using regular expressions
- [With date data] Look into seasonal buying patterns

*More info on project*

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# THANKS!



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