Vending Machine Analysis

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To start our analysis I would like to consider two questions, "What is the best locations to put a next vending machine?" and "Which products performend better in these machines?". After loading the data lets have a fist look on its format.

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##	2	Device.ID	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	${\tt character}$	5
##	3	Location	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	${\tt character}$	4
##	4	Machine	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	${\tt character}$	5
##	5	Product	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	${\tt character}$	171
##	6	Category	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	${\tt character}$	5
##	7	${\tt Transaction}$	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	numeric	6110
##	8	${\tt TransDate}$	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	${\tt character}$	242
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##	10	RCoil	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	integer	45
##	11	RPrice	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	numeric	14
##	12	RQty	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	integer	3
##	13	MCoil	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	integer	45
##	14	MPrice	0	0	1	0.02	0	0	numeric	14
##	15	MQty	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	integer	3
##	16	LineTotal	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	numeric	18
##	17	TransTotal	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	numeric	25
##	18	Prcd.Date	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	character	241

At a first look on the dataset and based on kaggle's definition of each category we can drop some columns to have a better understanding of the problem.

First I would like to calculate how those machines performed under some assumptions such ass

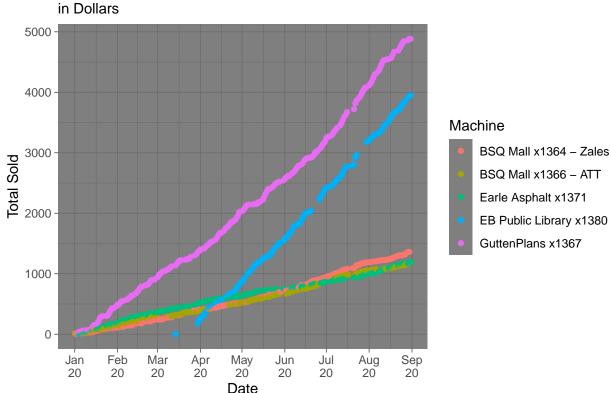
First we have the object totalSales, it is an overall sum of all the sales from each vending machine.

```
## Machine LineTotal
## 1 BSQ Mall x1364 - Zales 1362.25
## 2 BSQ Mall x1366 - ATT 1175.25
## 3 Earle Asphalt x1371 1193.50
## 4 EB Public Library x1380 3950.25
## 5 GuttenPlans x1367 4884.25
```

We can see that the unity in Gutten Plans and the one in EB Public Library performed much better than the other three. An explanation for that would be that the machines intalled in places with

other options of food performed worse because costumers had more options. We can see by the following graphic that the vending machines have a pretty linear behavior on regard of ther compound sellings.

Best Selling Machines



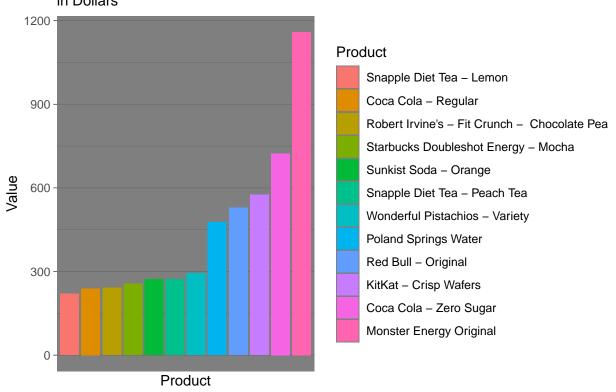
Now lets move our attention to the other part of the problem, which products were sold the most.

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
## # Groups:
               Machine [1]
##
     Machine
                       Product
                                                CumulativeSales
     <fct>
                       <chr>
##
                                                           <dbl>
## 1 GuttenPlans x1367 Monster Energy Original
                                                           925
## 2 GuttenPlans x1367 Red Bull - Original
                                                            480.
## 3 GuttenPlans x1367 KitKat - Crisp Wafers
                                                            415
## 4 GuttenPlans x1367 Coca Cola - Zero Sugar
                                                            344
## 5 GuttenPlans x1367 Sunkist Soda - Orange
                                                            272
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
## # Groups:
               Machine [1]
##
     Machine
                              Product
                                                                        CumulativeS~1
     <fct>
##
                              <chr>
                                                                                <dbl>
## 1 EB Public Library x1380 Coca Cola - Zero Sugar
                                                                                 268
## 2 EB Public Library x1380 Starbucks Doubleshot Energy - Mocha
                                                                                 256.
## 3 EB Public Library x1380 Poland Springs Water
                                                                                 190.
## 4 EB Public Library x1380 Oreo Mini - Go Paks
                                                                                 137
## 5 EB Public Library x1380 Starbucks Refresher - Real Coconut Water
                                                                                 135
## # ... with abbreviated variable name 1: CumulativeSales
```

```
## # Groups:
              Machine [1]
##
    Machine
                                                         CumulativeSales
                            Product
                            <chr>>
##
     <fct>
                                                                    <dbl>
## 1 BSQ Mall x1364 - Zales Poland Springs Water
                                                                    226.
## 2 BSQ Mall x1364 - Zales Monster Energy Original
                                                                     126
## 3 BSQ Mall x1364 - Zales Snapple Diet Tea - Peach Tea
                                                                     100
## 4 BSQ Mall x1364 - Zales Coca Cola - Zero Sugar
                                                                      96
## 5 BSQ Mall x1364 - Zales KitKat - Crisp Wafers
                                                                      62
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
## # Groups: Machine [1]
                                                                        Cumulative~1
##
    Machine
                         Product
    <fct>
                         <chr>>
                                                                               <dbl>
##
## 1 Earle Asphalt x1371 Robert Irvine's - Fit Crunch - Chocolate Pea
                                                                               158
## 2 Earle Asphalt x1371 Wonderful Pistachios - Variety
                                                                               152
## 3 Earle Asphalt x1371 SunChips Multigrain - Harvest Cheddar
                                                                                52.5
## 4 Earle Asphalt x1371 Miss Vickie's Potato Chip - Smokehouse BBQ
                                                                                51
## 5 Earle Asphalt x1371 CheezIt - Original
                                                                                50
## # ... with abbreviated variable name 1: CumulativeSales
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
## # Groups: Machine [1]
                                                                 CumulativeSales
   Machine
                          Product
     <fct>
                          <chr>
                                                                           <dbl>
## 1 BSQ Mall x1366 - ATT Monster Energy Original
                                                                           108
## 2 BSQ Mall x1366 - ATT S. Pellegrino Sparkling Mineral Water
                                                                            88
## 3 BSQ Mall x1366 - ATT Poland Springs Water
                                                                            60
## 4 BSQ Mall x1366 - ATT Red Bull - Original
                                                                            49
## 5 BSQ Mall x1366 - ATT Snapple Diet Tea - Raspberry
                                                                            47.5
```

In those charts we can see the top 5 selling products of each machine. Now lets take a look on the overall top selling products, it has been filtered of only products that sold over 200 dollars.

Ranking Products Sold in Dollars



Now we can see the top sellers over all are Monster Energy Original, Coca-Cola Zero and Kitkat, specially because of the high volume sold at Gutten Plans and at the library.

To conclude any new machine installed should be placed in a location where there aren't many options around and probably should have in its products the most sold ones.