

## Project 1: Predicting Catalog Demand

### **Step 1: Business and Data Understanding**

*Provide an explanation of the key decisions that need to be made. (500 word limit)*

#### **Key Decisions:**

*Answer these questions*

##### **1. What decisions needs to be made?**

*The decision that needs to be made is whether to send the catalog to 250 customers based on the calculated profit or not.*

##### **2. What data is needed to inform those decisions?**

*We are given 2 files of dataset i.e. customers.xlsx and mailing.xlsx. We need Avg\_Num\_Products\_Purchased, Customer Segment, Score\_Yes, Mailing, cost of catalogue (\$6.50) and gross\_margin(50%) to find the profit.*

### **Step 2: Analysis, Modeling, and Validation**

*Provide a description of how you set up your linear regression model, what variables you used and why, and the results of the model. Visualizations are encouraged. (500 word limit)*

**Important: Use the p1-customers.xlsx to train your linear model.**

*At the minimum, answer these questions:*

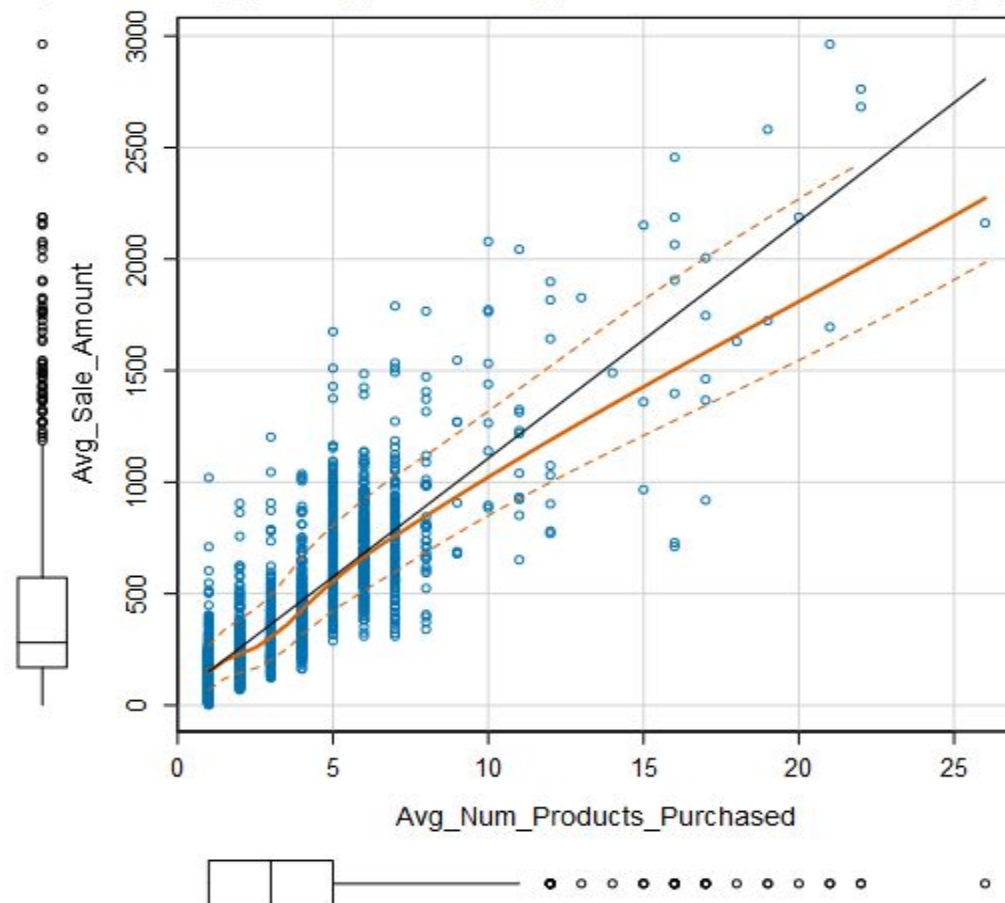
##### **1. How and why did you select the predictor variables in your model?**

*The target variable for the analysis is Avg\_Sale\_Amount and the predictor variables selected for the model are Customer\_Segments and Avg\_Num\_Products\_Purchased because only these two variables have the p-value less than 0.05 which shows that these two variables are statistically significant.*

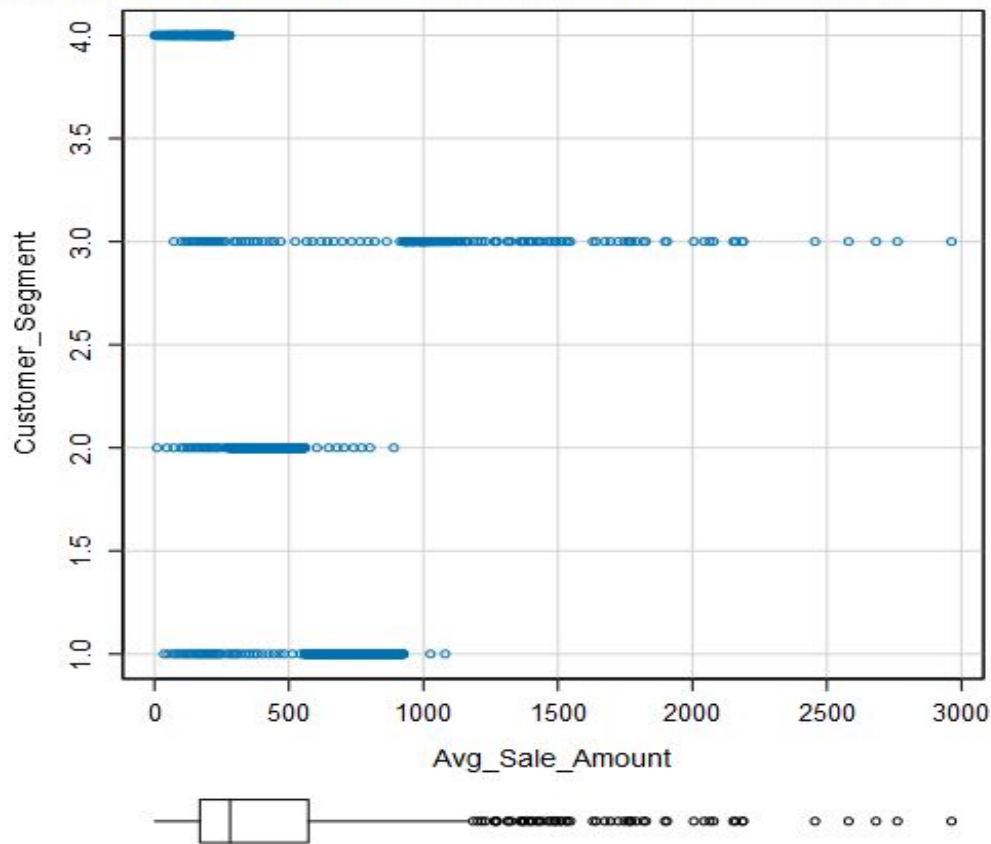
*The scatterplots of Customer\_Segments Vs Avg\_Sale\_Amount and Avg\_Num\_Products\_Purchased Vs Avg\_Sale\_Amount is shown below:*

12 records displayed, 2 fields, 158 KB					
Table Report Profile					
1 of 1 Fields					
Records 1 to 10					
Report for Linear Model Linear_Regression					
Basic Summary					
Call: lm(formula = Avg_Sale_Amount ~ Customer_Segment + Avg_Num_Products_Purchased, data = the.data)					
Residuals:					
	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-663.8	-67.3	-1.9	70.7	971.7
Coefficients:					
	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )	
(Intercept)	303.46	10.576	28.69	< 2.2e-16	***
Customer_SegmentLoyalty Club Only	-149.36	8.973	-16.65	< 2.2e-16	***
Customer_SegmentLoyalty Club and Credit Card	281.84	11.910	23.66	< 2.2e-16	***
Customer_SegmentStore Mailing List	-245.42	9.768	-25.13	< 2.2e-16	***
Avg_Num_Products_Purchased	66.98	1.515	44.21	< 2.2e-16	***
Significance codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1					
Residual standard error: 137.48 on 2370 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.8369, Adjusted R-Squared: 0.8366 F-statistic: 3040 on 4 and 2370 degrees of freedom (DF), p-value < 2.2e-16					
Type II ANOVA Analysis					
Response: Avg_Sale_Amount					
	Sum Sq	DF	F value	Pr(>F)	
Customer_Segment	28715078.96	3	506.4	< 2.2e-16	***
Avg_Num_Products_Purchased	36939582.5	1	1954.31	< 2.2e-16	***
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Plot of Avg\_Num\_Products\_Purchased versus Avg\_Sale



## Scatterplot of Avg\_Sale\_Amount versus Customer\_Segm



2. Explain why you believe your linear model is a good model.

As shown above in the table that 2 variables namely Customer\_Segment and Avg\_Num\_Products\_Purchased have  $p$ -values less than **0.05** and the Adjusted  $R$  Squared value is **0.8366** which is quite a large value. This implies that our model is a good model because  $p$ -values and  $R$ -Squared value is statistically significant.

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3. What is the best linear regression equation based on the available data? Each coefficient should have no more than 2 digits after the decimal (ex: 1.28)

$$\text{Avg\_Sale\_Amount} = 303.46 - 149.36 * (\text{Customer\_Segment} : \text{Loyalty Club Only}) + 281.84 * (\text{Customer Segment} : \text{Loyalty Club and Credit Card}) - 245.52 * (\text{Customer Segment} : \text{Store Mailing List}) + 66.984 * (\text{Avg\_Num\_Products\_Purchased})$$

## Step 3: Presentation/Visualization

*Use your model results to provide a recommendation. (500 word limit)*

*At the minimum, answer these questions:*

1. What is your recommendation? Should the company send the catalog to these 250 customers?

*Yes, the company should send these catalogues to these 250 customers.*

2. How did you come up with your recommendation? (Please explain your process so reviewers can give you feedback on your process)

*Firstly I calculated Avg\_Sales using the linear regression model. Then I created a new column Predicted\_Average\_Sales = Avg\_Sales \* Score\_Yes. Then the profit is calculated with the given margin to be 50% and cost of each catalogue as \$6.50, for all the 250 customers.*

3. What is the expected profit from the new catalog (assuming the catalog is sent to these 250 customers)?

$$\text{Profit} = (\text{profit} * 0.5) - (\text{Cost of catalog} * 250)$$

$$= \$ 21,987.43587$$

**Alteryx Workflow:**

