Project Report

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Problem Statement:

Each and everyday thousands of products are sold daily in the stores. The retails owners purchase a wide range of products to be sold at their stores and they must be cost-effective so that they can maximize their profits. Purchasing unwanted items or items that are not in demand or buying items in bulk and not being able to sell them profitably would incur a huge loss to their stores. Which pushes the retailers to take wrong decisions and invest in more unwanted things which might lead the store to fall into debt. Hence a retailer must have a better understanding of his customers demands and of the products he is purchasing to increase the sales. To solve this problem, we have come up with a solution that will predict the sales of the products with the help of the factors that are affecting these sales which gives us a better idea on how to increase the profits.

<u>POTENTIAL OF THE PROJECT</u>: This prediction of sales is based on various factors such as the geographical location of the store and the type of products sold in the store etc, which helps the outlet owners to get a good analysis of the products that will increase the sales. This forecasting helps the business owners to know what kind of products are getting more sales based on their location. And helps new markets, outlets find out more about products that would help them earn more profits. It also helps different types of outlet owners to know what kind of products to be purchased based on their outlet size.

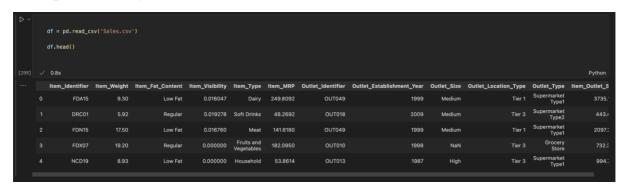
Data Source:

In this project, we will be analysing Big Mart sales to find out sales prediction of each product at particular outlets and address the prediction of sales of respective products available in particular outlets

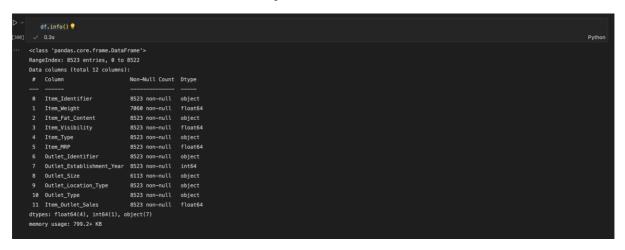
We have collected dataset from Kaggle. Reference for data source https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/shivan118/big-mart-sales-prediction-datasets

DATA CLEANING/PREPROCESSING

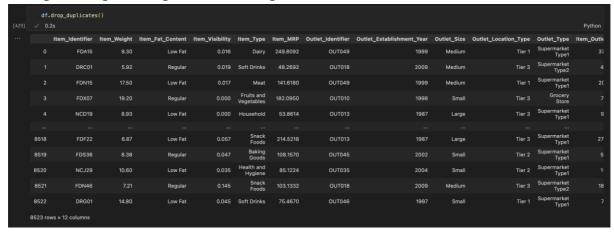
• Step-1 Loading the dataset into our environment.



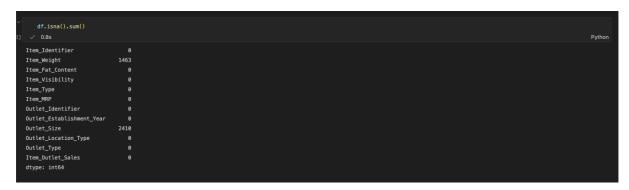
• Step-2 Now we will be Checking the type of data present in the file like whether it is numerical data or object data etc.



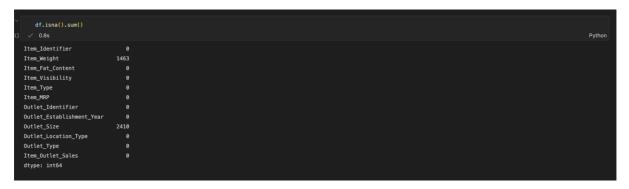
• Step-3 Drop the duplicate values present in our data.



• Step-4 We have to Check whether there are any missing or null values present in our data to avoid any inconsistencies and loss of data



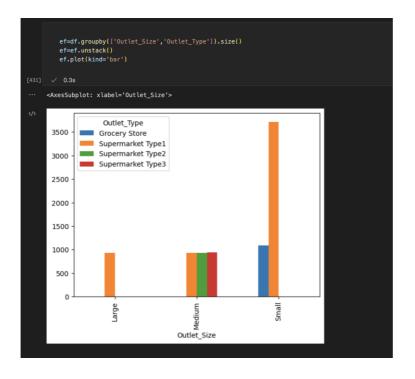
• Step-5 Now we can observe that there are two columns which have null values present.



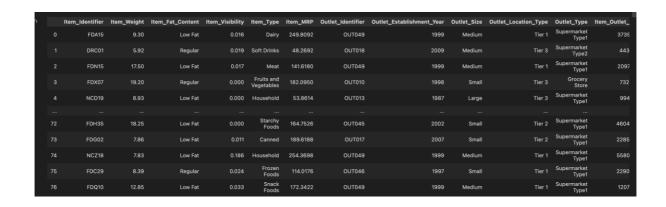
• Step-6: Replacing the null values for the column Item Weight with the mean of that column. This method is useful when we have numeric data. We will Check whether the null values are filled with the mean or not.

• Step-7 Now we have the column Outlet_Size as we can observe there is a relation between the Outlet size and the outlet type, so we cannot directly take the mode of the all outlet size, based on which outlet type has more occurrence we will take the mode.

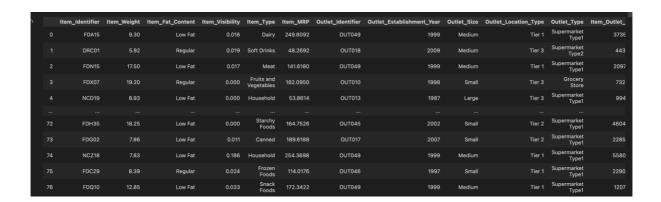
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	Item_Identifier	Item_Weight	Item_Fat_Content	Item_Visibility	Item_Type	Item_MRP	Outlet_Identifier	Outlet_Establishment_Year	Outlet_Size	Outlet_Location_Type	Outlet_Type	Item_Outlet_
	FDA15	9.300000	Low Fat	0.016047	Dairy	249.8092	OUT049	1999	Medium	Tier 1	Supermarket Type1	3735
	DRC01	5.920000	Regular	0.019278	Soft Drinks	48.2692	OUT018	2009	Medium	Tier 3	Supermarket Type2	443.
	FDN15	17.500000	Low Fat	0.016760	Meat	141.6180	OUT049	1999	Medium	Tier 1	Supermarket Type1	209
	FDX07	19.200000	Regular	0.000000	Fruits and Vegetables	182.0950	OUT010	1998	NaN	Tier 3	Grocery Store	732
	NCD19	8.930000	Low Fat	0.000000	Household	53.8614	OUT013	1987	High	Tier 3	Supermarket Type1	994
	FDP36	10.395000	Regular	0.000000	Baking Goods	51.4008	OUT018	2009	Medium	Tier 3	Supermarket Type2	556
	FDO10	13.650000	Regular	0.012741	Snack Foods	57.6588	OUT013	1987	High	Tier 3	Supermarket Type1	343
	FDP10	12.857645	Low Fat	0.127470	Snack Foods	107.7622	OUT027	1985	Medium	Tier 3	Supermarket Type3	4022
	FDH17	16.200000	Regular	0.016687	Frozen Foods	96.9726	OUT045	2002	NaN	Tier 2	Supermarket Type1	1076
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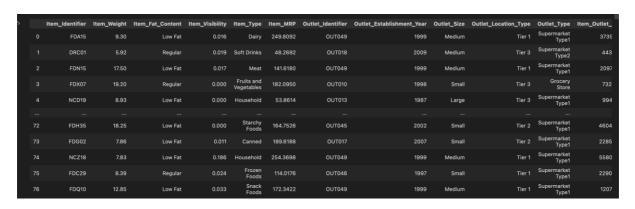
After taking mode and replacing them:



• Step-8: In the Item_Fat_Content attribute we have the four variables with Low Fat, LF, If, reg,Regular. Replace corresponding names with the Low Fat and Regular



• Step-9 : In the Outlet_Size we have high, Medium, small. Changing the size from high To Large



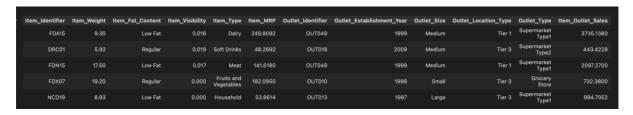
• Step-10: Changing the respective object type to Category type



• Step-11: Rounding the Item Weight to 2 decimal values

Item_Identifier	Item_Weight	Item_Fat_Content	Item_Visibility	Item_Type	Item_MRP	Outlet_Identifier	Outlet_Establishment_Year	Outlet_Size	Outlet_Location_Type	Outlet_Type	Item_Outlet_Sales
FDA15	9.30	Low Fat	0.016	Dairy	249.8092	OUT049	1999	Medium	Tier 1	Supermarket Type1	3735.1380
DRC01	5.92	Regular	0.019	Soft Drinks	48.2692	OUT018	2009	Medium	Tier 3	Supermarket Type2	443.4228
FDN15	17.50	Low Fat	0.017	Meat	141.6180	OUT049	1999	Medium	Tier 1	Supermarket Type1	2097.2700
FDX07	19.20	Regular	0.000	Fruits and Vegetables	182.0950	OUT010	1998	Small	Tier 3	Grocery Store	732.3800
NCD19	8.93	Low Fat	0.000	Household	53.8614	OUT013	1987	Large	Tier 3	Supermarket Type1	994.7052

• Step-12 :Rounding the Item visibility to 3 decimal values



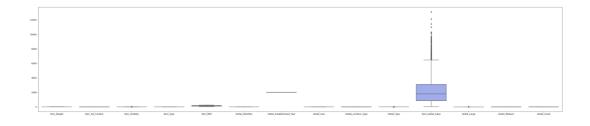
• Step- 13: Changing the categorical values to numerical values

	Item_Identifier	Item_Weight	Item_Fat_Content	Item_Visibility	Item_Type	Item_MRP	Outlet_Identifier	Outlet_Establishment_Ye
	FDA15	9.30		0.016	4	249.8092	9	19
	DRC01	5.92		0.019	14	48.2692	3	20
2	FDN15	17.50		0.017	10	141.6180	9	19
3	FDX07	19.20		0.000	6	182.0950		19
4	NCD19	8.93		0.000	9	53.8614		19
8518	FDF22	6.87		0.057	13	214.5218		19
8519	FDS36	8.38		0.047		108.1570		20
8520	NCJ29	10.60		0.035	8	85.1224	6	20
8521	FDN46	7.21		0.145	13	103.1332	3	20
8522	DRG01	14.80	0	0.045	14	75.4670	8	19

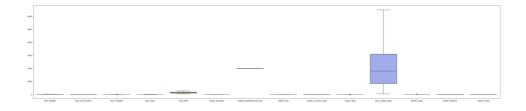
• Step-14: One hot encoding to Outlet Size as outlet size depends on the outlet_type so we are encoding the outlet size.

•••	utlet_Establishment_Year	Outlet_Size	Outlet_Location_Type	Outlet_Type	Item_Outlet_Sales	Outlet_Large	Outlet_Medium	Outlet_Small
	1999				3735.1380	0.0	1.0	0.0
	2009		2	2	443.4228	0.0	1.0	0.0
	1999				2097.2700	0.0	1.0	0.0
	1998	2	2		732.3800	0.0	0.0	1.0
	1987	0	2		994.7052	1.0	0.0	0.0
	1987	0	2		2778.3834	1.0	0.0	0.0
	2002	2			549.2850	0.0	0.0	1.0
	2004	2			1193.1136	0.0	0.0	1.0
	2009		2	2	1845.5976	0.0	1.0	0.0
	1997	2			765.6700	0.0	0.0	1.0

• Step-15: Check if there are any outliers, if found using the IQR change it to the range.



After removing outliers

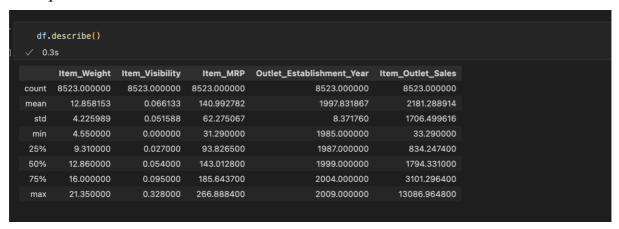


• Step-16: Normalising the non numerical variables

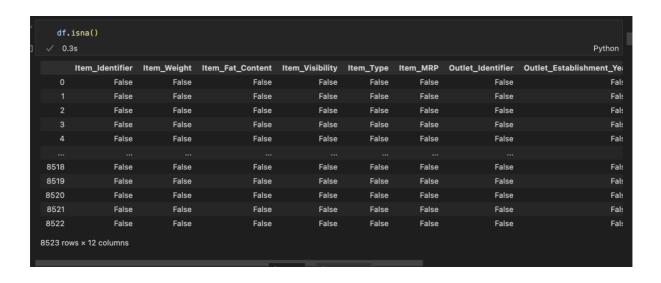
	Item_Identifier	Item_Weight	Item_Fat_Content	Item_Visibility	Item_Type	Item_MRP	Outlet_Identifier	Outlet_Establishment_Ye
0	FDA15	0.282738	0	0.048780	4	0.927507	9	0.5833
	DRC01	0.081548		0.057927	14	0.072068	3	1.0000
2	FDN15	0.770833	0	0.051829	10	0.468288	9	0.5833
3	FDX07	0.872024		0.000000	6	0.640093	0	0.5416
4	NCD19	0.260714		0.000000	9	0.095805		0.0833
8518	FDF22	0.138095	0	0.173780	13	0.777729		0.0833
8519	FDS36	0.227976		0.143293	0	0.326263	7	0.7083
8520	NCJ29	0.360119	0	0.106707	8	0.228492	6	0.7916
8521	FDN46	0.158333		0.442073	13	0.304939	3	1.0000
8522	DRG01	0.610119	0	0.137195	14	0.187510	8	0.5000
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EDA(EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS):

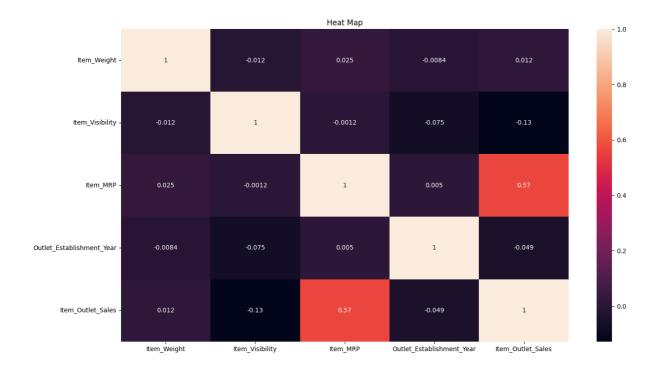
• Step-1: Describe the data



• Step-2: Check if there are any null values

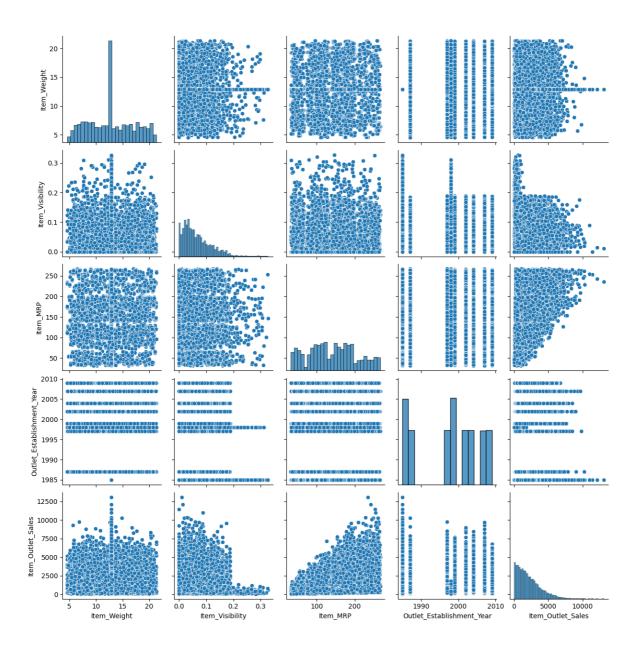


• Step-3: Check the co-relation between the numerical data



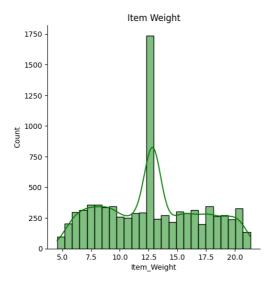
As we can see the co-relation between the numerical data.the negative integers represents there is less/no relation between the features, positive integers represents there is good/high relation between the features that can impact the other one.As we can see there is strong correlation between the mrp and the item sales.

Step:4 Plot all the numerical attributes.(pair plot)



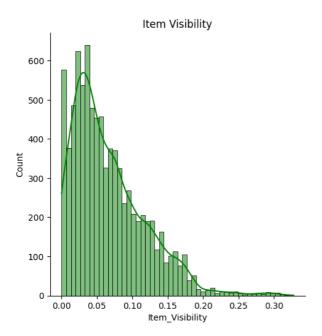
From the given graph we can see Item_outlet goes on increasing with Item_mrp. And Item_weight has similar correlation with Item_outlet_sales

UNIVARIATE ANALYSIS:

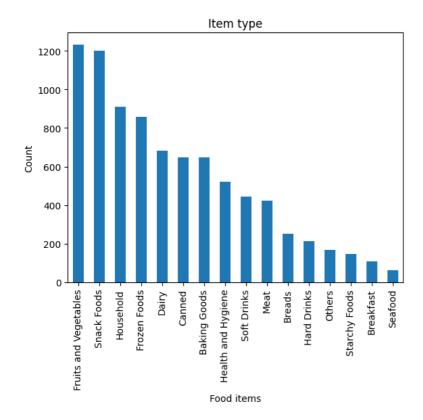


Observation:

In the given bar graph, all the weights lie in between the 5 and 20 and most of them are lying in the range of 12.5

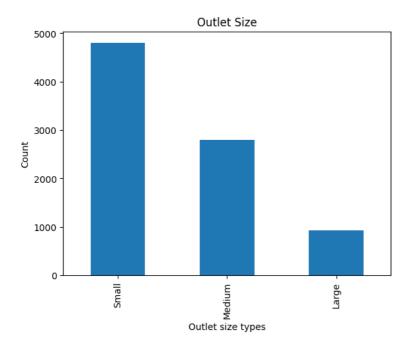


In the given bar graph, all the items visibility lie in between the 0 and 0.30 and most of them are lying in the range 0.20-0.50 .It states us that most of the products are less visible in a big mart.

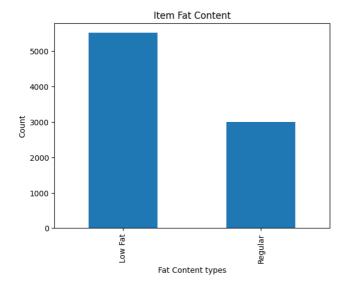


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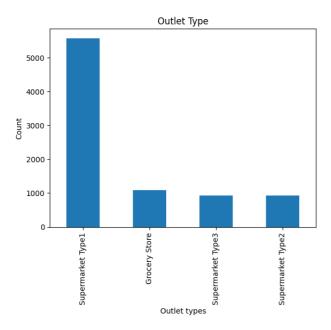
By analysing the graph ,most of products are fruits and vegetables which consists of near to 14 % of whole data and sea food is the least selling in the count.



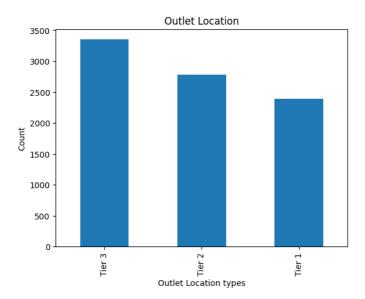
By analysing the graph, most of them are the small stores which is nearly (4800), 56%. And the least from the large stores which is (<900) or 9%.



Observation:By analysing the graph, most of the products are in Low fat which is nearly (>5000) 58% and 35% of the products are low fat.

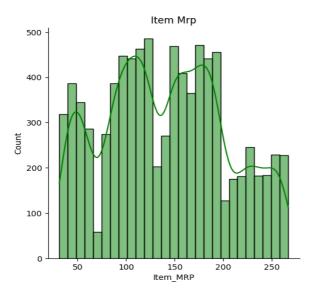


By analysing the graph, most of the outlets are from the supermarket type 1 with more than 62%(>5000), and the least from the supermarket type 2 with 9%.

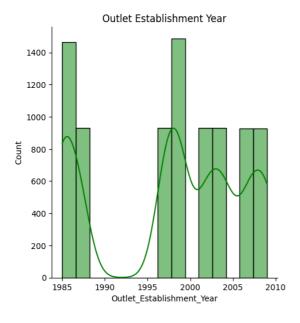


Observation:

Most of them come from the tier-3 location which consists of 39% of them and less number of sells came from the tier-1 which is 25%.



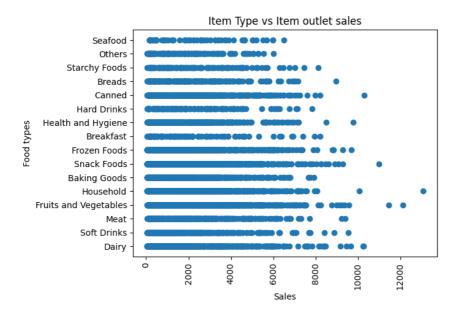
Most of them are in the range of 100-200, and less number of products in the range of 70.and most of the products have the price in range of 100-20



Observation:

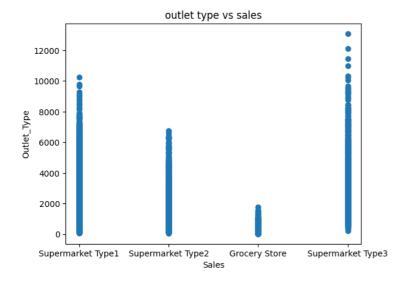
Most of outlets are established in the year of 1995-200 and 1985-1990.and no outlets are established between 1990-1995.

BIVARIATE ANALYSIS:

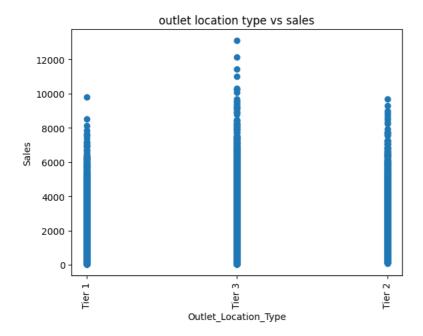


Observation:

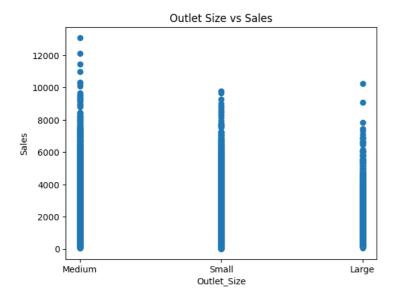
By analysing the graph, most of the sales came from the fruits and vegetables, dairy and household and least with the others and hard drinks.



Observation: By analysing the graph, we can see most of the sales came from the supermarket type 3 and less sales from the grocery store.

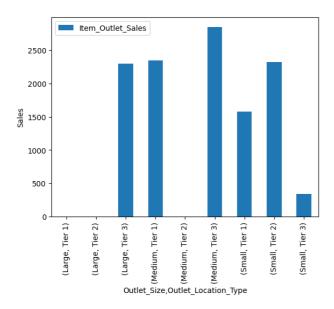


Observation: By analyzing the graph, we can see most of the sales came from the tier 3 location and less sales from the tier 1.



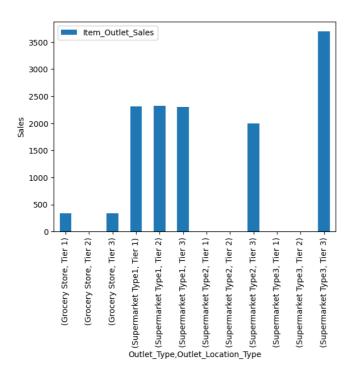
Observation:By analysing the graph, we can see most of the sales came from the medium size store. And less sales from the large store.

MULTIVARIATE ANALYSIS:



Observation:

By analyzing the graph we can see most of the sales came from the medium size store which was located in the tier-3 location, and less number of sales came from the Small sized store from the tier-3 location.



By analyzing the graph we can see that most of the sales came from the tier-3 and the type of the supermarket is supermarket type-3. From grocery store tier-3 There are less number of sales.