

# Business Case: Target SQL

Scaler DS ML

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## Context:

Target is a globally renowned brand and a prominent retailer in the United States. Target makes itself a preferred shopping destination by offering outstanding value, inspiration, innovation and an exceptional guest experience that no other retailer can deliver.

This particular business case focuses on the operations of Target in Brazil and provides insightful information about 100,000 orders placed between 2016 and 2018. The dataset offers a comprehensive view of various dimensions including the order status, price, payment and freight performance, customer location, product attributes, and customer reviews.

By analyzing this extensive dataset, it becomes possible to gain valuable insights into Target's operations in Brazil. The information can shed light on various aspects of the business, such as order processing, pricing strategies, payment and shipping efficiency, customer demographics, product characteristics, and customer satisfaction levels.

## Dataset:

The data is available in 8 csv files at Google Drive

1. customers.csv
2. sellers.csv
3. order\_items.csv
4. geolocation.csv
5. payments.csv
6. reviews.csv
7. orders.csv
8. products.csv

The column description for these csv files is given below.

The **customers.csv** contain following features:

Features	Description
customer_id	ID of the consumer who made the purchase
customer_unique_id	Unique ID of the consumer
customer_zip_code_prefix	Zip Code of consumer's location
customer_city	Name of the City from where order is made
customer_state	State Code from where order is made (Eg. são paulo - SP)

The **sellers.csv** contains following features:

Features	Description
seller_id	Unique ID of the seller registered
seller_zip_code_prefix	Zip Code of the seller's location
seller_city	Name of the City of the seller
seller_state	State Code (Eg. são paulo - SP)

The **order\_items.csv** contain following features:

Features	Description
order_id	A Unique ID of order made by the consumers
order_item_id	A Unique ID given to each item ordered in the order
product_id	A Unique ID given to each product available on the site
seller_id	Unique ID of the seller registered in Target
shipping_limit_date	The date before which the ordered product must be shipped
price	Actual price of the products ordered
freight_value	Price rate at which a product is delivered from one point to another

The **geolocations.csv** contain following features:

Features	Description
geolocation_zip_code_prefix	First 5 digits of Zip Code
geolocation_lat	Latitude
geolocation_lng	Longitude
geolocation_city	City
geolocation_state	State

The **payments.csv** contain following features:

Features	Description
order_id	A Unique ID of order made by the consumers
payment_sequential	Sequences of the payments made in case of EMI
payment_type	Mode of payment used (Eg. Credit Card)
payment_installments	Number of installments in case of EMI purchase
payment_value	Total amount paid for the purchase order

The **orders.csv** contain following features:

Features	Description
order_id	A Unique ID of order made by the consumers
customer_id	ID of the consumer who made the purchase
order_status	Status of the order made i.e. delivered, shipped, etc.
order_purchase_timestamp	Timestamp of the purchase
order_delivered_carrier_date	Delivery date at which carrier made the delivery
order_delivered_customer_date	Date at which customer got the product
order_estimated_delivery_date	Estimated delivery date of the products

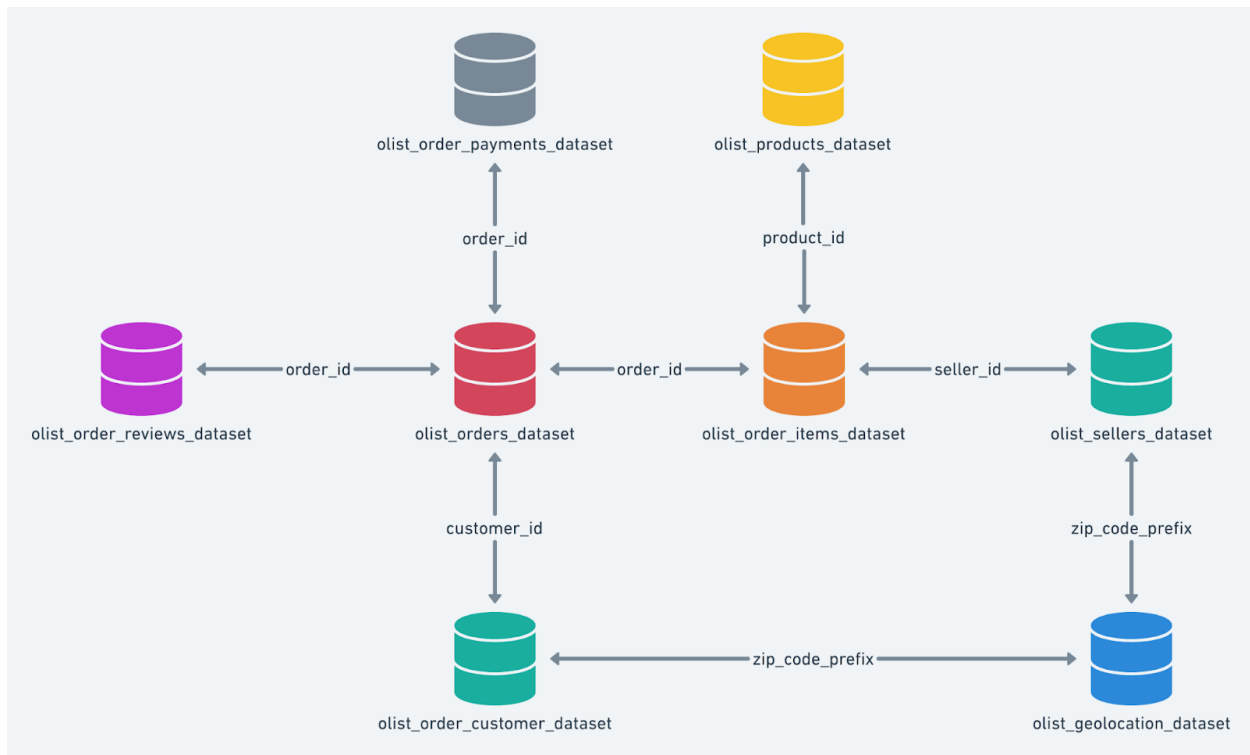
The **reviews.csv** contain following features:

Features	Description
review_id	ID of the review given on the product ordered by the order id
order_id	A Unique ID of order made by the consumers
review_score	Review score given by the customer for each order on a scale of 1-5
review_comment_title	Title of the review
review_comment_message	Review comments posted by the consumer for each order
review_creation_date	Timestamp of the review when it is created
review_answer_timestamp	Timestamp of the review answered

The **products.csv** contain following features:

Features	Description
product_id	A Unique identifier for the proposed project
product_category_name	Name of the product category
product_name_lenght	Length of the string which specifies the name given to the products ordered
product_description_lenght	Length of the description written for each product ordered on the site
product_photos_qty	Number of photos of each product ordered available on the shopping portal
product_weight_g	Weight of the products ordered in grams
product_length_cm	Length of the products ordered in centimeters
product_height_cm	Height of the products ordered in centimeters
product_width_cm	Width of the product ordered in centimeters

## Dataset schema:



## Observations in the dataset

Two files, `order_reviews.csv` and `geolocation.csv` had unclean data.

### Issues Identified in the `order_reviews.csv` file:

*Encoding Issue:* The file had to be read with ISO-8859-1 encoding instead of UTF-8.

*Null Values:* The `review_comment_title` column has many null values.

*Date and Time Formatting:* The `review_creation_date` and `review_answer_timestamp` columns are in string format and not properly parsed as datetime objects.

*Steps to Correct Issues:*

1. Ensure consistent encoding.
2. Handle null values in `review_comment_title`.
3. Convert date and time columns to proper datetime format.

*Cleaning Data:*

1. Strip leading/trailing spaces in text fields.
2. Replace any special characters or non-UTF-8 characters in text fields.
3. Check for null or empty values and handle them appropriately.

4. Convert date and time columns to datetime format.

#### Issues Identified in the geolocation.csv file:

##### Steps to Correct Issues:

1. Special characters in text fields.
2. Trailing or leading spaces.
3. Null or empty values.
4. Ensure that the file does not have any rows that might cause issues.

##### Cleaning Data:

1. Strip leading/trailing spaces in text fields.
2. Replace any special characters or non-UTF-8 characters in text fields.
3. Check for null or empty values and handle them appropriately.

#### Problem Statement:

Assuming you are a data analyst/ scientist at Target, you have been assigned the task of analyzing the given dataset to extract valuable insights and provide actionable recommendations.

#### What does ‘good’ look like?

#### 1. Import the dataset and do usual exploratory analysis steps like checking the structure & characteristics of the dataset:

- 1.1. Data type of all columns in the “customers” table.

```
DESCRIBE customers;
```

Table 9: 5 records

Field	Type	Null	Key	Default	Extra
customer_id	text	YES		NA	
customer_unique_id	text	YES		NA	
customer_zip_code_prefix	text	YES		NA	
customer_city	text	YES		NA	
customer_state	text	YES		NA	

- 1.2. Get the time range between which the orders were placed.

```
SELECT
    MIN(order_purchase_timestamp) AS order_start_date,
    MAX(order_purchase_timestamp) AS order_end_date,
    DATEDIFF(MAX(order_purchase_timestamp), MIN(order_purchase_timestamp))
    AS order_time_range_days
FROM
    orders;
```

Table 10: 1 records

order_start_date	order_end_date	order_time_range_days
2016-09-04 21:15:19	2018-10-17 17:30:18	773

1.3. Count the Cities & States of customers who ordered during the given period.

```
SELECT
  MIN(order_purchase_timestamp) AS order_start_date,
  MAX(order_purchase_timestamp) AS order_end_date,
  DATEDIFF(MAX(order_purchase_timestamp), MIN(order_purchase_timestamp))
    AS order_time_range_days
FROM
  orders;
```

Table 11: 1 records

order_start_date	order_end_date	order_time_range_days
2016-09-04 21:15:19	2018-10-17 17:30:18	773