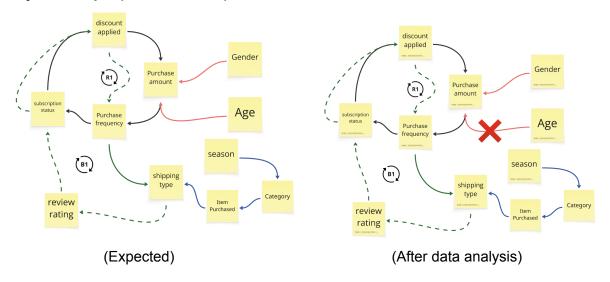


(Feedback applied; our system maps are different from instructions)

# <System map 1 (from dataset 1)>



**R1:** When discounts or membership benefits are applied, customers tend to buy more, increasing total purchase amount. As spending grows, purchase frequency also rises, which encourages users to keep or join memberships. A larger membership base leads to more exclusive discounts or promotions, which again stimulates purchasing behavior. This creates a self-reinforcing cycle where benefits lead to higher spending, and higher spending strengthens the membership system.

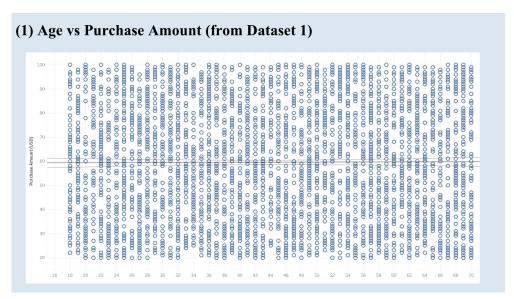
**B1:** As purchase frequency increases, customers may choose slower or cheaper shipping options to save costs. Slower delivery lowers satisfaction and reduces review ratings. Poor reviews decrease membership retention, leading to fewer discounts and promotions. With fewer benefits, customers buy less frequently, allowing the system to self-regulate and prevent overgrowth. In short, declining service quality limits excessive growth, maintaining overall balance.

#### How age influence the system loops

We expected that middle-aged people use online shopping less than younger generations. Age influences how strongly each loop operates. We expect younger consumers respond more to discounts and membership benefits, so the reinforcing loop (R1) drives higher purchase frequency and amount. Middle-aged consumers would focus more on delivery quality and trust, so the balancing loop (B1) dominates, reducing their online shopping activity.

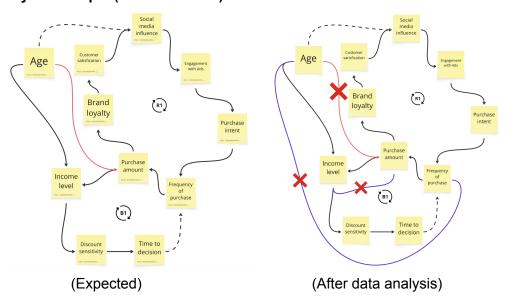
Thus, as age increases, the reinforcing effect weakens and the balancing effect strengthens, leading to lower purchase amounts.

### After data analysis through Tableau



We found that Age and Purchase amount have no relationship from scatter plot.

# <System map 2 (from dataset 2)>



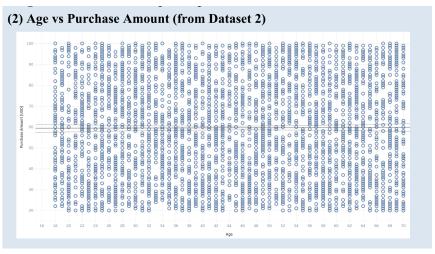
**R1:** When Age decreases (younger consumers), Social media influence increases. This leads to greater Engagement with Ads, which strengthens Purchase intent and increases the Frequency of purchase. As they buy more, the purchase amount rises, resulting in higher Brand loyalty and Customer satisfaction. Satisfied customers share more on social media, further boosting Social media influence — completing a self-reinforcing cycle.

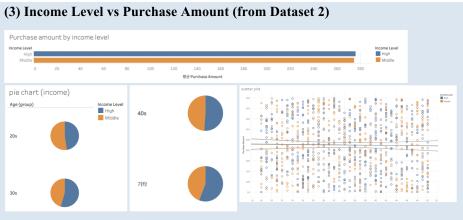
**B1:** For older consumers (higher Age), Income level and Discount sensitivity play key roles. As age increases, discount sensitivity also rises — people become more cautious about spending. They spend more Time to decide, which lowers the Frequency of purchase and reduces the Purchase amount. This lower spending feeds back to maintain their controlled Income level, forming a balancing loop.

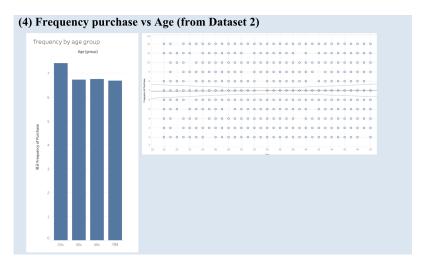
#### How age influence the system loops

Younger customers activate the reinforcing loop, where social media engagement leads to increased spending, while older customers activate the balancing loop, where discount sensitivity and cautious decision-making reduce spending.

### After data analysis through Tableau







We found that Age and Purchase amount have no relationship from scatter plot, Income level and Purchase amount from bar graph, pie chart and scatter plot and Age and Frequency of purchase from bar graph and scatter plot.