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## Prediction of Walmart Sales Using Random Forest Regression

*Data Analytics and Machine  
Learning Project*

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# What is the problem for Walmart?

Walmart is trying to find way **to predict the sales for their stores**. To predict the sales they have gathered the data for predicting sales. They have CPI, unemployment rate, fuel price, holiday flag and weekly sales in the dataset for 45 stores.

## How are we approaching the problem?

- Business Understanding
- Data Understanding
- Data Preparation
- Modeling Phase
- Evaluation Phase
- Deployment Phase
- Conclusion



# Business Understanding

- When you buy grocery, home accessory or any other food product, it might be bought from Walmart. As Walmart is very much spreaded all over the world.
- In USA alone, Walmart has **4692** locations and **662** Sam's club locations.
- Walmart serves more than **100 million customers**. From this number we can guess, how much the sales of Walmart will impact by people and their buying trends.
- In fiscal year **2019**, **revenue** of Walmart was **\$514.4 billion**. For this much big profit, Walmart should make sure, that they are not out of stock and their inventory is up to date.
- If they predict the sales of the week, they can maintain the stock and if inventory is minimum, they can refill at specific store.





# Data Understanding

- Dataset consist of 8 columns and 6435 rows. Each row represents the first date of week.
- Each row has the weekly sales, CPI, unemployment rate, fuel price and holiday flag.
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# Use Mixed Integer Quadratic Programming

