

# Abnormal Distribution



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# Project Recommendations and Implications: Increasing Sales and Market Share for GloBiz

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# Overview and Data Summary

Data Source: [Kaggle](#)

**Overview:** Globiz is exploring ways to grow its **sales & profit**. Management has contracted an analytics firm, Abnormal Distribution, to understand what factors they should focus on.

## Data Summary

- Total # of Records: 51,290
- Outcome Variables: Sales & Profit Margin
- Other Variables:

Market	Product	Purchase	Sales
Markets Region Country	Product Categories Sub-Category Product ID	Customer ID Order ID Order date	Profit, Sales Quantity Shipping Cost

(Date: 2011-2014)

## Methods

- Profitability Analysis
- Marketing Mix (Product, Place, Promotion)
- K-Means Cluster analysis & RFM (Frequency) (Tableau)
- Step-wise Multiple Regression Analysis (radiant using R)

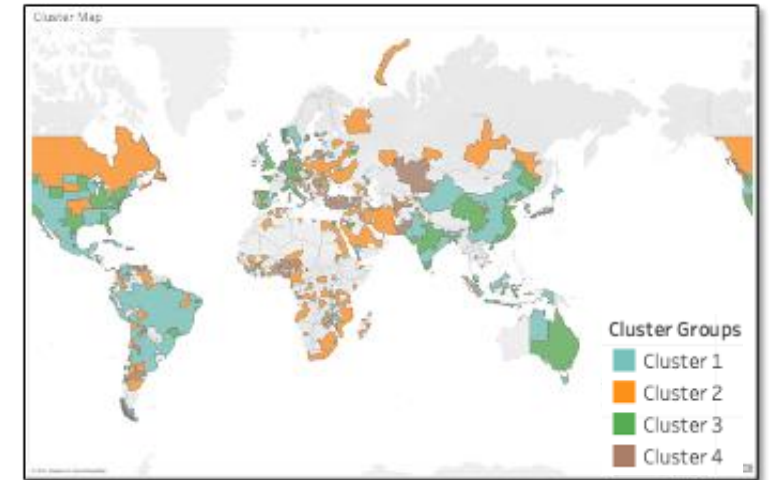
## Criteria for Success

- Identify key variables
- Identify most/least successful product & regions for increased/decreased marketing activities.



# Findings from Profitability and Cluster Analysis

Category	% Sales	Profit Margin	Sub-Category	% Sales	Profit Margin
Furniture <small>Lowest Margin Category</small>	32%	7% <small>Lowest Margin</small>	Bookcases	12%	11%
			Chairs	12%	9%
			Furnishings	3%	12%
			Tables	6%	-8%
Office Supplies	30%	14% <small>Low Sales High Margins</small>	Appliances	8%	14%
			Art	3%	16%
			Binders	4%	16%
			Envelopes	1%	17%
			Fasteners	1%	14%
			Labels	1%	20%
			Paper	2%	24%
			Storage	9%	10%
			Supplies	2%	9%
Technology	28%	14% <small>High Sales High Margins</small>	Accessories	6%	17%
			Copiers	12%	17%
			Machines	6%	8%
			Phones	14%	13%



Cluster Characteristics			
	Profit Margin	Customer Size	Purchase Frequency
Cluster 1	Medium	Medium	High
Cluster 2	High	Small	Low
Cluster 3	High	High	High
Cluster 4	Low	Small	Low

Strategy	
Cluster 1	Increase customer base & improve profitability
Cluster 2	Increase customer base & improve purchase frequency
Cluster 3	Top Performance Regions
Cluster 4	Consider to shut down

- Furniture has the lowest margin, only half of the other two categories; Tables have the lowest margin across all sub-categories (-8%)
- Majority of office supplies have extremely high margins
- Accessories, Copiers, and Phones have both high margins and high sales

# Findings from Multiple Regression Analysis

## Regression Equation

Sales =

Intercept

10

Sub-categories  
that deliver  
higher sales

+ 154 \* Appliances + 187 \* Bookcases + 102 \*  
Chairs + 188 \* Copiers + 177 \* Machines + 127 \*  
Phones + 442 \* Tables + 17 \* Storage

Sub-categories  
that lead to  
lower sales

– 53 \* Art – 54 \* Binders – 58 \* Envelopes – 71 \*  
Fasteners – 34 \* Furnishings – 78 \* Labels  
– 66 \* Paper – 39 \* Supplies

Sales Order  
Components

+ 0.994 \* Profit + 21 \* Quantity + 3 \* Shipping Cost

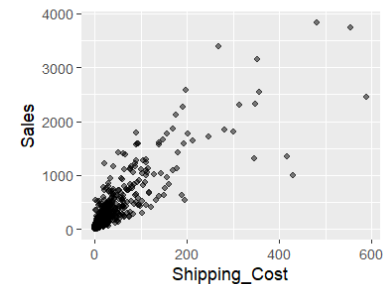
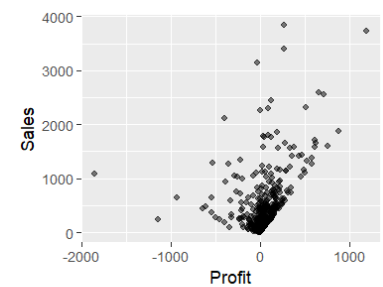
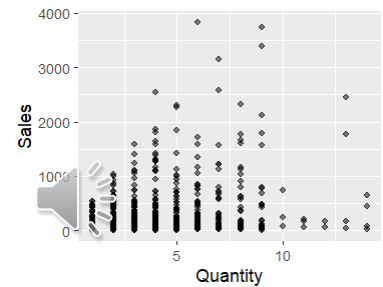
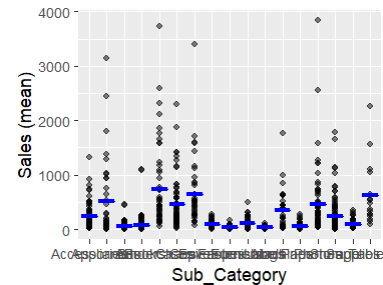
Interactions in  
Sales Order  
Components

– 0.032 \* Profit \* Quantity  
+ 0.297 \* Quantity \* Shipping Cost

R-squared: 0.695, Adjusted R-squared: 0.695

F-statistic: 5315.196 df(22,51267), p.value < .001

Nr obs: 51,290



## Significant Variables:

- Sub-category, Profit, Quantity, Shipping Cost

## Impact of product lines (sub categories)

- **High Value Sales Order:** Appliances, bookcases, chairs, copiers, phones, tables and storage drive up sales
- **Low Value Sales Order:** Art, binders, envelopes, fasteners, furnishings, labels, paper and supplies drive down sales.

## Impact of sales order components:

- Profit, Quantity and Shipping cost all increase sales order value

## Interaction Terms:

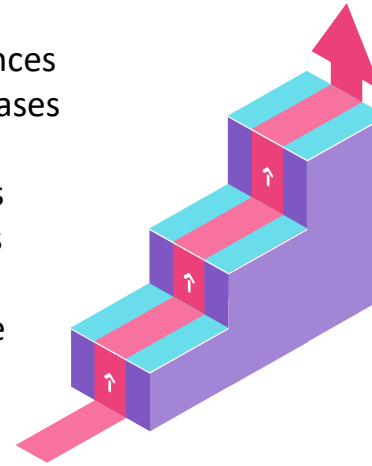
- Model is better explained by interaction terms between Profit, Quantity and Shipping cost
- Sales order values are lower if profit and quantity are high – volume discount effect
- Sales order values are higher if quantity and shipping costs are high – as the shipping cost is baked into sales value and shipping/ handling costs increase as quantity increases

# Implications of sales analysis



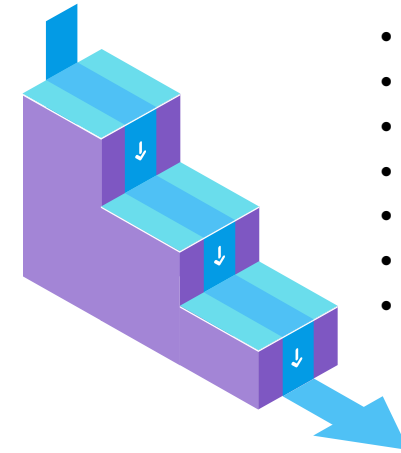
## Deliver higher sales

- Appliances
- Book-cases
- Chairs
- Copiers
- Phones
- Tables
- Storage



## Lead to lower sales

- Art
- Binders
- Envelopes
- Fasteners
- Furnishings
- Labels
- Paper and supplies



## Marketing MIX

**Profit** – Increases with sales, reduces sales if quantity is big

**Quantity** – Increases with sales

**Shipping Cost** – Increases with sales and quantity

### Top selling (66%):

- Chairs
- Appliances
- Storage
- Copiers
- Phones.

### Highly profitable:

- Paper & Labels
- but only account for less than 3% of total sales

### Least Profitable

- Chairs
- Copiers and phones

### Growth areas:

Office supplies have low sales but extremely high margins

# Implications on K-Means Analysis

2014 What-If Analysis

Cluster Characteristics			
	Profit Margin	Customer Size	Purchase Frequency
Cluster 1	Medium	Medium	High
Cluster 2	High	Small	Low
Cluster 3	High	High	High
Cluster 4	Low	Small	Low

Cluster Characteristics					If closing the business in Cluster 4	New Profit
	Profit Margin	Customer Size	Profit Margin	Profit		
Cluster 1	Medium	Medium	6%	63,524		63,524
Cluster 2	High	Small	24%	137,208		137,208
Cluster 3	High	High	16%	384,992		384,992
Cluster 4	Low	Small	-103%	-81,558		0
Total Profit				504,166		585,724

↑ 18%

	Customer Size (Distinct Customers)	Purchase Frequency	<div>Increase both by 10%</div> <div></div>	Customer Size (Distinct Customers)	Purchase Frequency	<div></div> <div>Total Profit</div>	New Profit
Cluster 1	1670	2.9		2826	2.4		63,524
Cluster 2	1110	1.8		1221	1.98		166,626
Cluster 3	2275	2.7		3094	2.2		384,992
Cluster 4	449	2.1		1026	1.8		0
							615,142

↑ 5%

- If the firm would shut down the business in cluster 4 regions, the annual profit would increase by 18%
- If the firm would increase both customer size and purchase frequency by 10% in cluster 2 regions, the annual profit would further increase by 5%
- **Limitation:**
  - Assume that the closing of business in cluster 4 doesn't affect the sales and customer behaviors in other clusters (regions)
  - when calculating the new profit for cluster 2, we assumed the change in customer behavior doesn't affect avg. C value; Annual recurring profit = avg. Order Value \* # of Distinct Customers \* Orders/year \* Profit Margin



# Implications on Firm Profitability

- Regression analysis revealed:
  - Individual order sales are impacted sub-category, profit, quantity, and shipping cost
  - Firm overall sales are impacted by country, quarter (seasonality), sales mix, and product mix
    - Region, sub-region, discount, and order priority variables have no statistically significant impact on sales
- The K-means cluster analysis revealed:
  - Four clusters were distinguishable by profit margin, customer size, and purchase frequency
- Implications
  - GloBiz's use of discounts are neither increasing nor decreasing sales
  - Monitoring countries rather than regions will offer more precise analysis of marketing and firm performance
  - Product offerings vary greatly in profitability
  - Shipping cost impacts profitability





# Recommendations

## Product

- Focus on high-margin, low volume
- Office supplies
- Maintain position in copiers and phones


## Place

- Lean into high-margin countries in all regions
  - Canada (highest profit margin and tiny market penetration)
  - EU, US (large markets with good margins, not saturated), but by country
- Not APAC: high margins but already saturated
- Cluster 3: maintain
- Cluster 4: exit




## Research

- Promotion
- Price
- Consider effect of *discount* variable on sales
- Cluster analysis by product and customer



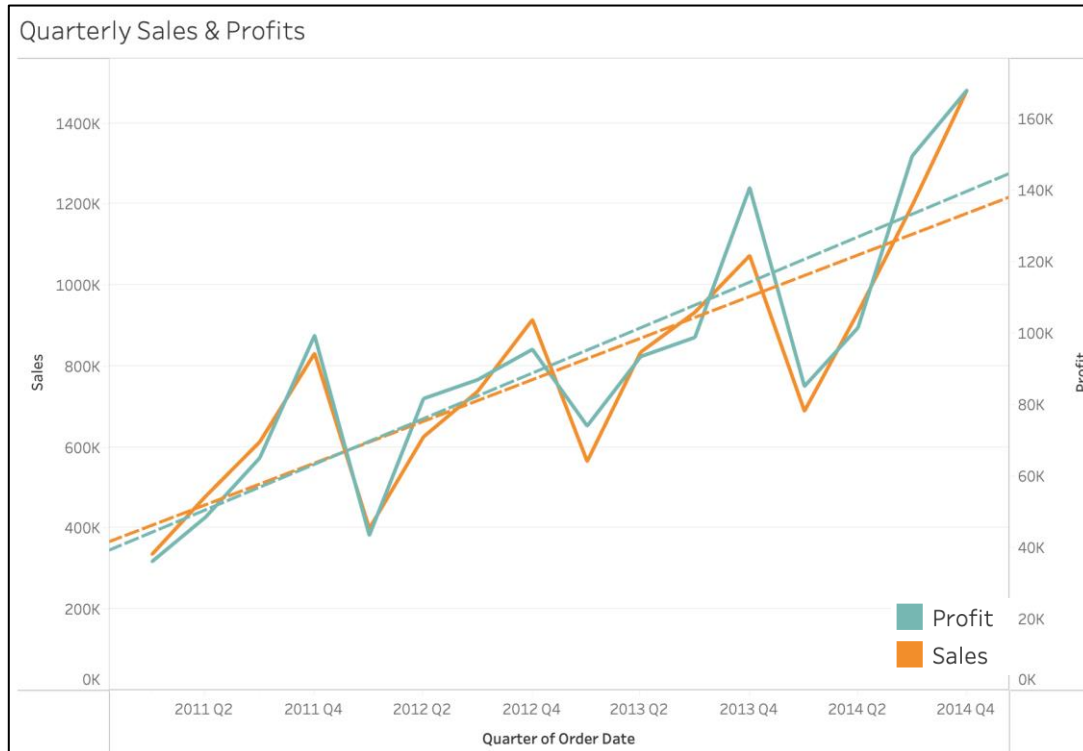
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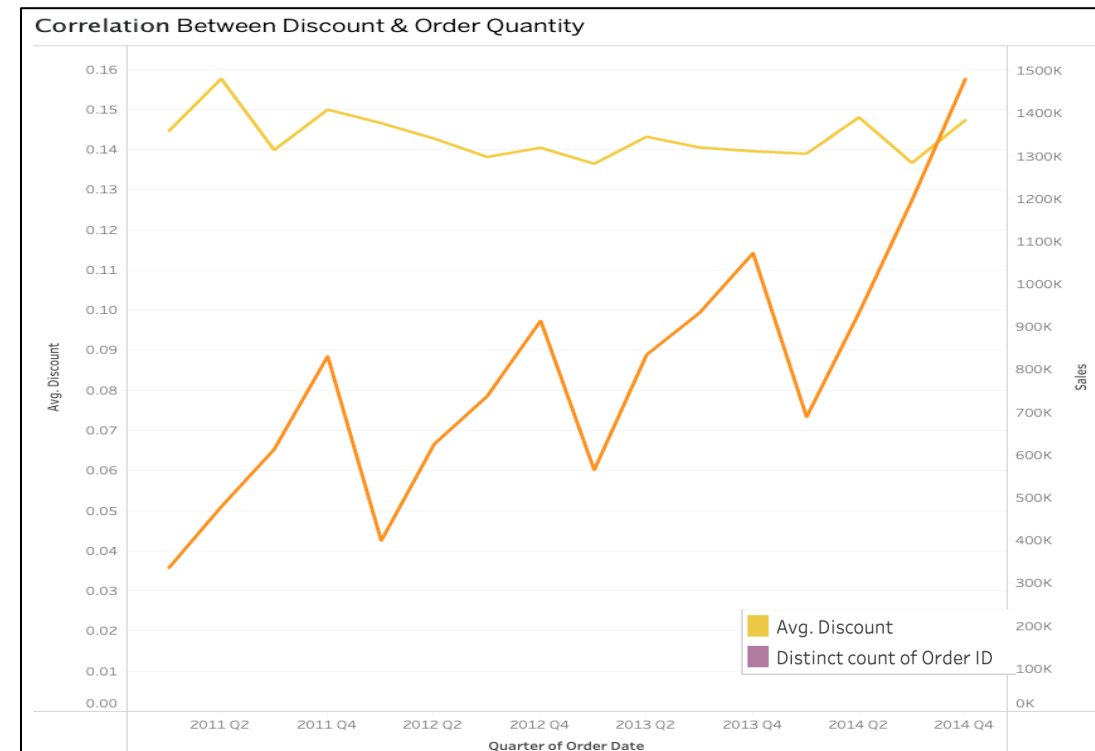
# Technical Appendix

# Company Level Analysis

- Upward trends
- Seasonality of sales and profits



- Don't see correlation between discount and order quantity



# Profitability for Categories

- **Product Categories**

- Furniture has the lowest margin
- Sales are evenly distributed across categories

- **Product Sub-Categories**

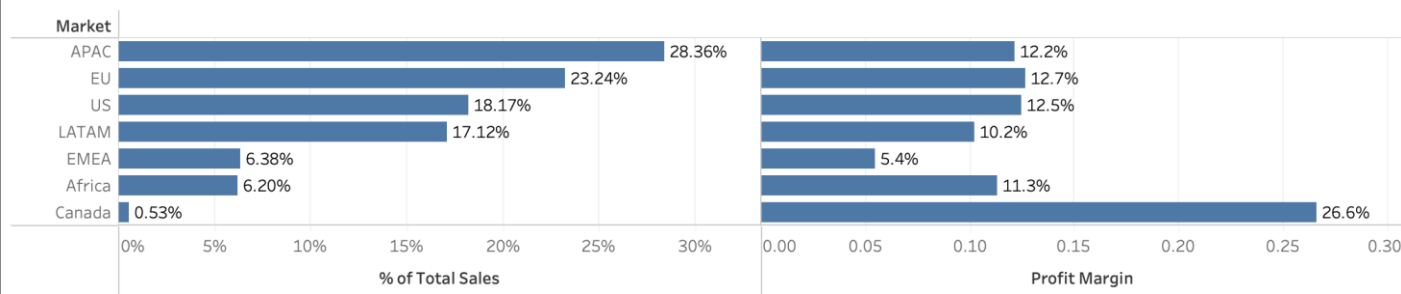
- Tables have the lowest margin
- Top 6 sales sub-categories: Bookcases, Chairs, Appliances, Storage, Copiers and Phones. Accounts for 66% of total sales
- Paper and Labels are highly profitable, but only account for less than 3% of total sales

Category	% of Sales	Profit Margin
Furniture	32.52%	7%
Office Supplies	29.96%	14%
Technology	37.53%	14%

Category	Sub-Catego..	% of Sales	Profit Margin
Furniture	Bookcases	11.60%	11%
	Chairs	11.88%	9%
	Furnishings	3.05%	12%
	Tables	5.99%	-8%
Office Supplies	Appliances	8.00%	14%
	Art	2.94%	16%
	Binders	3.65%	16%
	Envelopes	1.35%	17%
	Fasteners	0.66%	14%
	Labels	0.58%	20%
	Paper	1.93%	24%
	Storage	8.92%	10%
	Supplies	1.92%	9%
Technology	Accessories	5.93%	17%
	Copiers	11.94%	17%
	Machines	6.16%	8%
	Phones	13.50%	13%

# Profitability for Markets & Product Categories

Percentage of Sales in Each Market & Net Profit Margin in Each Market



- The top 4 markets account for 87% of total sales; profit margins are 10%~13%
- EMEA has the lowest profit margin ~5%
- Canada has the highest profit margin ~27%, but only accounts for 0.5% of total sales

Product Categories

	APAC		EU		US		Market LATAM		EMEA		Africa		Canada	
Category	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin
Furniture	37.48%	9.4%	26.52%	8.8%	32.30%	2.5%	37.51%	5.1%	28.36%	5.0%	24.83%	8.4%	15.83%	24.7%
Office Supplies	24.66%	11.9%	35.61%	15.3%	31.30%	17.0%	26.05%	14.1%	34.32%	5.4%	34.03%	10.7%	44.88%	26.5%
Technology	37.86%	15.1%	37.87%	13.0%	36.40%	17.4%	36.44%	12.8%	37.32%	5.8%	41.13%	13.7%	39.29%	27.6%

## Product Categories

- % sales for each category is slightly different in each market; no category has a major advantage in sales
- Furniture has the lowest margin in each market. Especially in the EU, US and LATAM, the margin of furniture is significantly lower than that of other categories

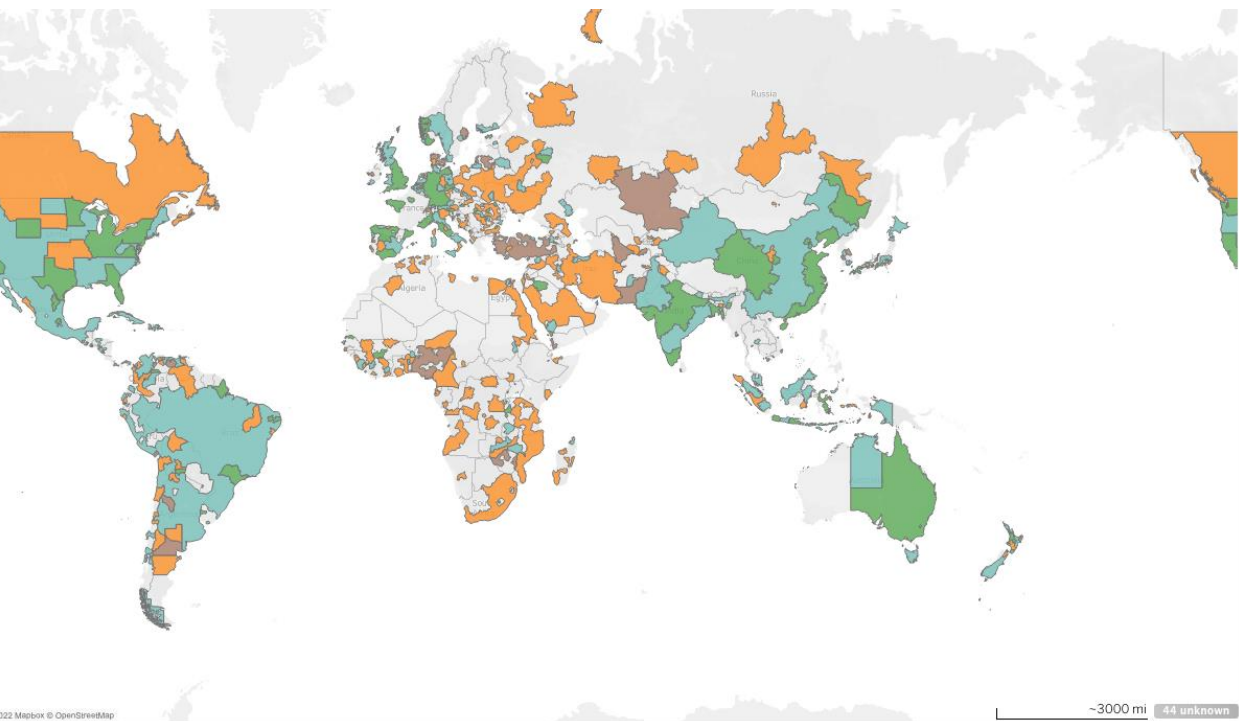
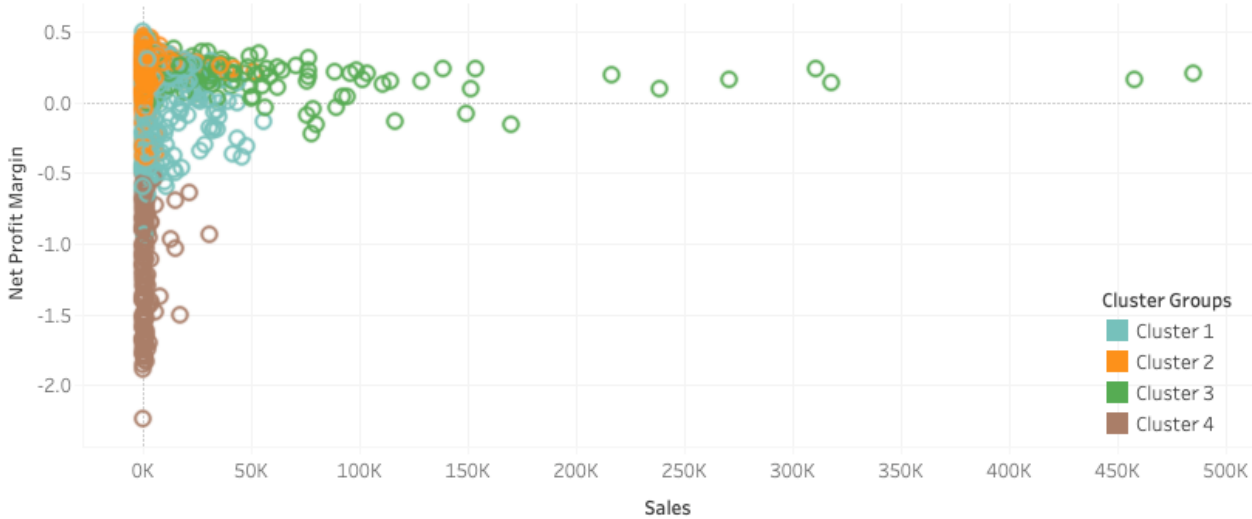
		APAC		EU		US		Market LATAM		EMEA		Africa		Canada	
Category	Sub-Catego...	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin	% of Sales	Profit Margin
Furniture	Bookcases	14.08%	13.4%	12.37%	15.5%	5.00%	-3.0%	13.97%	8.2%	11.38%	8.7%	10.65%	8.6%	8.57%	23.4%
	Chairs	14.31%	12.1%	7.79%	8.6%	14.30%	8.1%	13.96%	9.5%	8.66%	-0.9%	7.15%	5.0%	4.78%	26.8%
	Furnishings	2.82%	16.0%	2.76%	16.8%	3.99%	14.2%	2.89%	0.4%	3.44%	5.2%	2.63%	11.2%	1.21%	14.1%
	Tables	6.28%	-8.9%	3.59%	-19.9%	9.01%	-8.6%	6.69%	-8.5%	4.88%	7.0%	4.41%	11.6%	1.27%	35.3%
Office Supplies	Appliances	8.58%	13.7%	9.37%	16.8%	4.68%	16.9%	8.41%	14.4%	8.47%	4.4%	7.94%	5.9%	11.86%	28.1%
	Art	1.76%	11.6%	5.45%	19.2%	1.18%	24.1%	1.90%	16.9%	4.73%	3.8%	4.90%	10.3%	6.16%	22.2%
	Binders	1.77%	17.0%	3.40%	19.8%	8.85%	14.9%	1.99%	12.3%	3.31%	10.9%	2.85%	11.9%	4.62%	25.4%
	Envelopes	1.45%	10.0%	1.37%	21.5%	0.72%	42.3%	1.91%	15.2%	1.31%	7.7%	1.24%	15.7%	0.85%	30.2%
	Fasteners	0.78%	6.0%	0.69%	21.8%	0.13%	31.4%	0.88%	13.2%	0.79%	14.9%	0.74%	14.7%	0.71%	29.3%
	Labels	0.62%	11.1%	0.53%	21.0%	0.54%	44.3%	0.63%	17.6%	0.51%	9.5%	0.62%	16.1%	0.63%	30.6%
	Paper	1.67%	11.5%	1.45%	20.9%	3.42%	43.4%	1.76%	15.9%	1.27%	8.7%	1.72%	15.3%	2.27%	24.6%
	Storage	6.03%	11.5%	11.56%	8.2%	9.74%	9.5%	6.56%	11.4%	12.18%	3.5%	12.33%	12.3%	15.82%	27.5%
Technology	Supplies	2.00%	5.9%	1.80%	18.2%	2.03%	-2.5%	2.00%	17.5%	1.76%	7.0%	1.69%	7.8%	1.96%	22.7%
	Accessories	5.19%	8.5%	5.55%	20.5%	7.29%	25.1%	6.55%	19.1%	5.48%	8.1%	5.38%	15.4%	6.68%	29.0%
	Copiers	13.79%	16.3%	12.43%	15.4%	6.51%	37.2%	14.61%	13.0%	9.94%	10.2%	12.28%	14.6%	11.16%	35.7%
	Machines	5.31%	13.9%	7.60%	7.7%	8.24%	1.8%	1.89%	5.8%	7.69%	4.4%	8.82%	8.6%	6.39%	14.2%
	Phones	13.56%	16.7%	12.30%	10.3%	14.37%	13.5%	13.38%	10.4%	14.21%	2.6%	14.65%	15.4%	15.07%	26.6%

## Product Sub-Categories

- Tables have the lowest margin in the top 4 markets
- Majority of office supplies have low sales but extremely high margins [area for growth]
- Copiers and phones have both high sales and high margins

# K-Means Clustering Analysis

Cluster (Country-State)



**Variables:** Sales, Profit margin, # of unique customers, Customer purchase frequency, Order value

Clusters	Number of Items	Sum of Sales	Net Profit Margin	Centers		
				Distinct count of Customer ID	Avg. Purchase Frequency Per Year	Avg. Order Value
Cluster 1	390	8531.7	0.05796	18.856	2.9348	429.91
Cluster 2	441	3695.0	0.20738	9.1769	1.7087	386.84
Cluster 3	152	48991.0	0.19549	69.625	2.639	1034.2
Cluster 4	136	1760.5	-1.1398	10.147	1.8862	174.76
Not Clustered	0					



Cluster Characteristics				
	Sales	Profit Margin	Customer Size	Purchase Frequency
Cluster 1	Medium	Medium	Medium	High
Cluster 2	Low	High	Small	Low
Cluster 3	High	High	High	High
Cluster 4	Low	Low	Small	Low



Strategy	
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# Multiple Regression – Part 1

Start: AIC=572994.2

Sales ~ Category + Order\_Priority + Region + Segment + Sub\_Category +  
Discount + Profit + Quantity + Shipping\_Cost

Step: AIC=572994.2

Sales ~ Order\_Priority + Region + Segment + Sub\_Category + Discount +  
Profit + Quantity + Shipping\_Cost

	Df	Sum of Sq	RSS	AIC
- Segment	2	74875	3640708576	572991
<none>			3640633701	572994
- Region	12	5352674	3645986374	573046
- Discount	1	9685262	3650318962	573128
- Order_Priority	3	157469073	3798102773	575160
- Quantity	1	168008992	3808642692	575306
- Sub_Category	16	344024910	3984658610	577593
- Profit	1	614713464	4255347165	580994
- Shipping_Cost	1	2663929461	6304563162	601156

Step: AIC=572991.2

Sales ~ Order\_Priority + Region + Sub\_Category + Discount + Profit +  
Quantity + Shipping\_Cost

	Df	Sum of Sq	RSS	AIC
<none>			3640708576	572991
- Region	12	5354523	3646063099	573043
- Discount	1	9684858	3650393434	573125
- Order_Priority	3	157450551	3798159126	575157
- Quantity	1	168034355	3808742930	575303
- Sub_Category	16	343971478	3984680053	577590
- Profit	1	614742905	4255451481	580992
- Shipping_Cost	1	2663925443	6304634018	601153

Backward stepwise selection of variables

Linear regression (OLS)

Data : Dataset

Response variable : Sales

Explanatory variables: Category, Order\_Priority, Region, Segment, Sub\_Category, Discount, Profit, Quantity, Shipping\_Cost

Null hyp.: the effect of x on Sales is zero

Alt. hyp.: the effect of x on Sales is not zero

	coefficient	std.error	t.value	p.value
(Intercept)	-187.949	7.579	-24.799	< .001 ***
Order_Priority High	132.628	4.811	27.569	< .001 ***
Order_Priority Low	153.424	6.937	22.116	< .001 ***
Order_Priority Medium	203.911	4.654	43.813	< .001 ***
Region Canada	10.943	14.190	0.771	0.441
Region Caribbean	-35.446	7.652	-4.633	< .001 ***
Region Central	-5.246	4.751	-1.104	0.270
Region Central Asia	22.418	7.166	3.128	0.002 **
Region East	-11.192	6.448	-1.736	0.083 .
Region EMEA	0.880	5.447	0.161	0.872
Region North	-9.453	5.584	-1.693	0.090 .
Region North Asia	4.364	6.867	0.635	0.525
Region Oceania	9.973	6.057	1.646	0.100 .
Region South	-7.826	5.194	-1.507	0.132
Region Southeast Asia	1.646	6.284	0.262	0.793
Region West	-18.990	6.251	-3.038	0.002 **
Sub_Category Appliances	135.098	8.023	16.838	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Art	-47.335	6.169	-7.673	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Binders	-52.687	5.916	-8.905	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Bookcases	158.699	7.324	21.669	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Chairs	83.794	6.650	12.601	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Copiers	161.403	7.525	21.447	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Envelopes	-52.301	7.256	-7.208	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Fasteners	-66.047	7.276	-9.078	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Furnishings	-34.469	6.758	-5.100	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Labels	-70.477	7.128	-9.887	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Machines	149.388	8.474	17.628	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Paper	-56.530	6.598	-8.567	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Phones	106.057	6.694	15.844	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Storage	14.625	6.108	2.395	0.017 *
Sub_Category Supplies	-37.354	7.263	-5.143	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Tables	374.648	10.541	35.543	< .001 ***
Discount	70.647	6.050	11.677	< .001 ***
Profit	0.715	0.008	93.029	< .001 ***
Quantity	27.314	0.562	48.637	< .001 ***
Shipping_Cost	5.030	0.026	193.656	< .001 ***

- Ran multiple regression analysis with Sales as response variable and Order Priority, Region, Sub Category, Discount, Profit, Quantity and Shipping Cost as input variables.
- Apart from a few of the Region variables, all other factors were statistically significant
- Adjusted R-Square for the model was very high which confirmed this is a good model.

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R-squared: 0.701, Adjusted R-squared: 0.701

F-statistic: 3439.786 df(35,51254), p.value < .001

Nr obs: 51,290

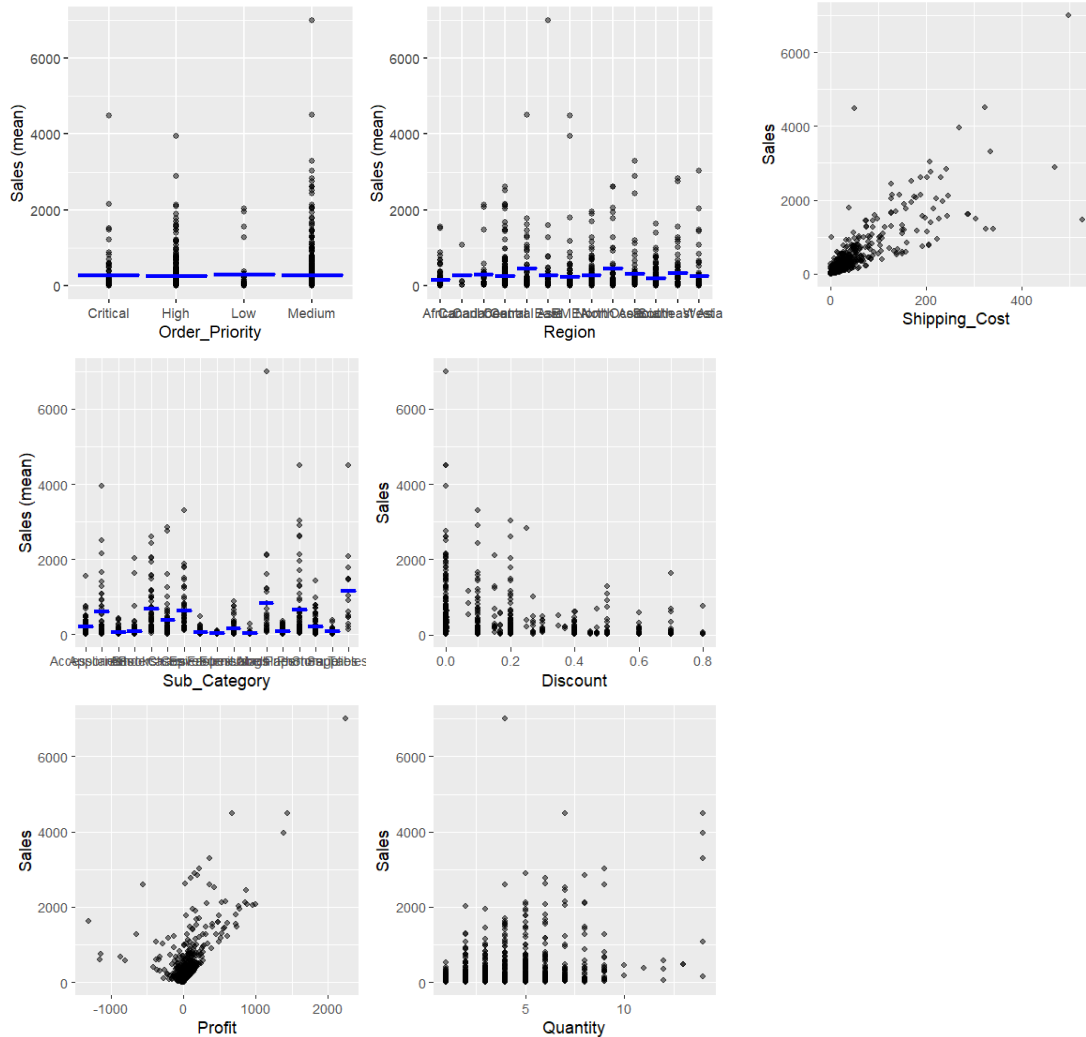
Prediction error (RMSE): 266.426

Residual st.dev (RSD): 266.52

Note: Screenshots are Radiant output using R



# Multiple Regression – Part 1 Scatter Plots



- Shipping cost and profits do not seem to have linear relationship with sales hence interaction terms may exist
- Order priority means are all similar hence this may not be an essential factor in regression

# Multiple Regression Radiant Output Using R – Part 2

Linear regression (OLS)

Data : Dataset

Response variable : Sales

Explanatory variables: Sub\_Category, Discount, Profit, Quantity, Shipping\_Cost

Null hyp.: the effect of x on Sales is zero

Alt. hyp.: the effect of x on Sales is not zero

R-squared: 0.762, Adjusted R-squared: 0.762

F-statistic: 6301.668 df(26,51263), p.value < .001

Nr obs: 51,290

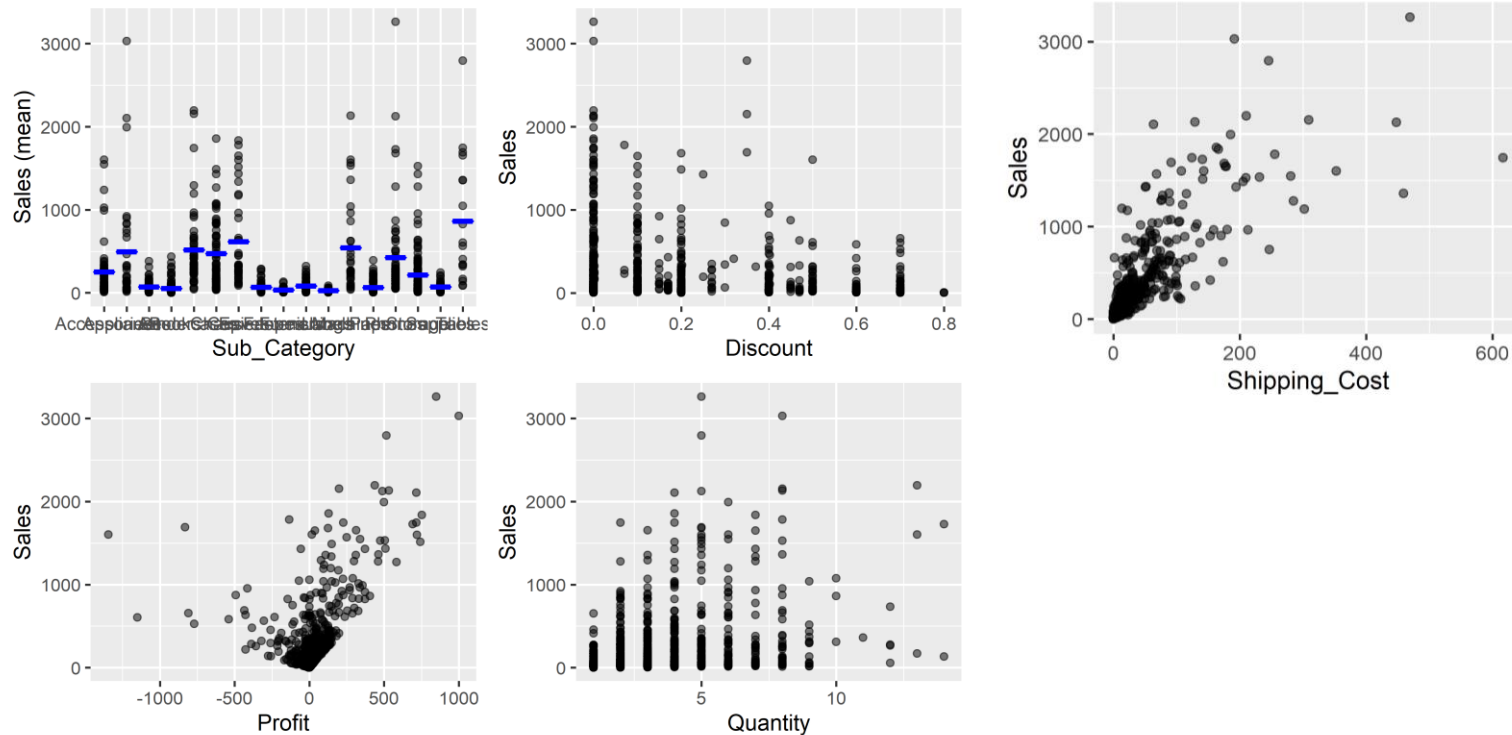
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	coefficient	std.error	t.value	p.value
(Intercept)	3.106	4.870	0.638	0.524
Sub_Category Appliances	117.268	7.176	16.342	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Art	-35.886	5.503	-6.521	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Binders	-44.216	5.286	-8.364	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Bookcases	156.873	6.553	23.940	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Chairs	99.473	5.942	16.742	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Copiers	147.290	6.731	21.884	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Envelopes	-40.648	6.477	-6.275	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Fasteners	-47.621	6.499	-7.328	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Furnishings	-20.650	6.039	-3.420	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Labels	-53.608	6.373	-8.412	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Machines	128.728	7.569	17.008	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Paper	-49.134	5.894	-8.336	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Phones	109.014	5.985	18.216	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Storage	26.923	5.448	4.942	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Supplies	-19.983	6.482	-3.083	0.002 **
Sub_Category Tables	325.397	9.496	34.266	< .001 ***
Discount	-14.101	8.976	-1.571	0.116
Profit	1.834	0.017	105.412	< .001 ***
Quantity	16.192	0.645	25.119	< .001 ***
Shipping_Cost	2.134	0.052	41.171	< .001 ***
Discount:Profit	-2.684	0.026	-104.713	< .001 ***
Discount:Quantity	-1.412	2.375	-0.594	0.552
Discount:Shipping_Cost	5.379	0.161	33.510	< .001 ***
Profit:Quantity	-0.019	0.002	-8.173	< .001 ***
Profit:Shipping_Cost	-0.001	0.000	-20.042	< .001 ***
Quantity:Shipping_Cost	0.228	0.007	31.119	< .001 ***

- Ran multiple regression analysis with Sales as response variable and Sub Category, Discount, Profit, Quantity and Shipping Cost as input variables.
- The model includes interaction terms Discount : Profit, Discount : Quantity, Discount : Shipping Cost, Profit: Quantity, Profit : Shipping Cost and Quantity : Shipping Cost
- Apart from Discount and Discount : Quantity, all other factors were statistically significant
- Adjusted R-Square for the model was even higher 0.762 which confirmed this is a good model.

Note: Screenshots are Radiant output using R <sup>18</sup>

# Multiple Regression – Part 2 Scatter Plots



- Shipping cost and profits do not seem to have linear relationship with sales hence interaction terms may exist
- In the next part we plan to add interaction terms between financial terms

# Multiple Regression Radiant Output Using R – Part 3

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Start: AIC=574018.2
Sales ~ Sub_Category + Profit + Quantity + Shipping_Cost + Profit:Quantity +
      Profit:Shipping_Cost + Quantity:Shipping_Cost

            Df Sum of Sq      RSS      AIC
<none>                        3716222095 574018
- Profit:Shipping_Cost      1   7283574 3723505669 574117
- Profit:Quantity           1  11606456 3727828551 574176
- Quantity:Shipping_Cost    1   94071306 3810293401 575298
- Sub_Category              16  456042522 4172264617 579923
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Backward stepwise selection of variables
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Linear regression (OLS)
Data      : Dataset
Response variable : Sales
Explanatory variables: Sub_Category, Profit, Quantity, Shipping_Cost
Null hyp.: the effect of x on Sales is zero
Alt. hyp.: the effect of x on Sales is not zero

R-squared: 0.695, Adjusted R-squared: 0.695
F-statistic: 5315.196 df(22,51267), p.value < .001
Nr obs: 51,290

Prediction error (RMSE): 269.175
Residual st.dev (RSD): 269.235
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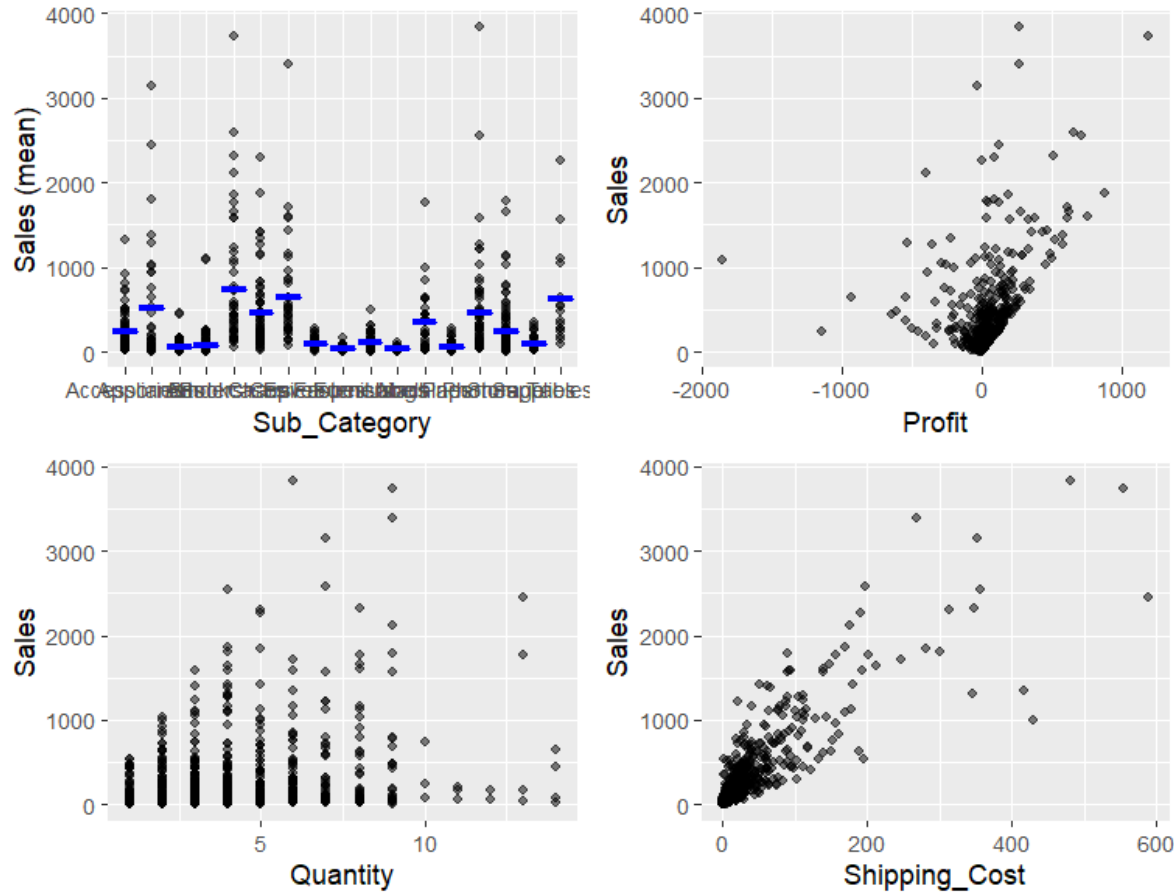
	coefficient	std.error	t.value	p.value
(Intercept)	10.560	5.285	1.998	0.046 *
Sub_Category Appliances	154.216	8.105	19.028	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Art	-53.460	6.219	-8.597	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Binders	-53.897	5.972	-9.025	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Bookcases	187.421	7.399	25.332	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Chairs	102.586	6.709	15.292	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Copiers	188.556	7.597	24.819	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Envelopes	-58.073	7.322	-7.931	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Fasteners	-70.991	7.345	-9.666	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Furnishings	-34.277	6.826	-5.021	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Labels	-77.632	7.200	-10.782	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Machines	176.716	8.543	20.685	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Paper	-66.594	6.659	-10.001	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Phones	126.999	6.761	18.783	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Storage	16.850	6.160	2.735	0.006 **
Sub_Category Supplies	-39.200	7.327	-5.350	< .001 ***
Sub_Category Tables	442.295	10.638	41.577	< .001 ***
Profit	0.994	0.017	57.457	< .001 ***
Quantity	21.332	0.593	35.983	< .001 ***
Shipping_Cost	3.036	0.056	54.542	< .001 ***
Profit:Quantity	-0.032	0.003	-12.654	< .001 ***
Profit:Shipping_Cost	-0.000	0.000	-10.024	< .001 ***
Quantity:Shipping_Cost	0.297	0.008	36.024	< .001 ***

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- Ran multiple regression analysis with Sales as response variable and Sub Category, Profit, Quantity and Shipping Cost as input variables.
- The model includes interaction terms Profit: Quantity, Profit : Shipping Cost and Quantity : Shipping Cost
- All factors were statistically significant
- Adjusted R-Square for the model 0.695 which confirmed this is a good model.

Note: Screenshots are Radiant output using R

# Multiple Regression – Part 3 Scatter Plots



- Shipping cost and profits do not seem to have linear relationship with sales hence interaction terms may exist – regression results support this