Machine Learning for Lead Management

A case of an online education company

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Project Introduction

How to boost the conversion rate with Predictive Lead Scoring





Industry:

Online professional education



Dataset:

10,000 entries, 37 columns



Goal:

Leads conversion 30% → 80%



Method:

Using machine learning algorithms to predict conversion outcome





Algorithms?

69 potential variables

Model tested:

- Logistic Regression
- K-Nearest Neighbours
- Decision Tree
- Support Vector Machine (SVM)

Tremendous data cleaning and model improving



Algorithms

Build models to predict conversion outcome of future leads

Index	Lead Number	Conversion Real Value	Conversion Predict
9	660616	No	No
14	660553	No	No
15	660547	Yes	Yes
18	660522	Yes	Yes
20	660479	No	No
22	660471	Yes	Yes
23	660461	No	No
33	660339	No	No
38	660255	No	No
39	660255	Yes	Yes



Yes / No

Algorithms

Build models to predict conversion probability of future leads

Index	Lead Number	Conversion Real Value	Conversion Predict	Leading Scoring
9	660616	No	No	0.055877
14	660553	No	No	0.067691
15	660547	Yes	Yes	0.710651
18	660522	Yes	Yes	0.725876
20	660479	No	No	0.043348
22	660471	Yes	Yes	0.771458
23	660461	No	No	0.157629
33	660339	No	No	0.385444
38	660255	No	No	0.077897
39	660255	Yes	Yes	0.792177



How likely

Algorithms

Using predictive score to build leads pipeline

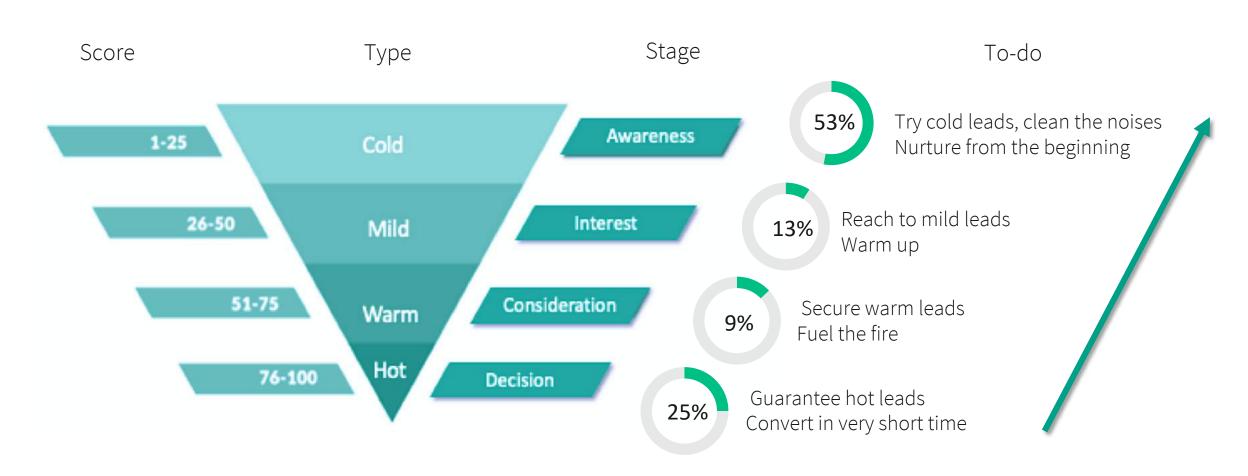
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9	660616	No	No	0.055877	Cold Lead	
14	660553	No	No	0.067691	Cold Lead	
15	660547	Yes	Yes	0.710651	Warm Lead	•••
18	660522	Yes	Yes	0.725876	Warm Lead	•••
20	660479	No	No	0.043348	Cold Lead	•
22	660471	Yes	Yes	0.771458	Hot Lead	••••
23	660461	No	No	0.157629	Cold Lead	•
33	660339	No	No	0.385444	Mild Lead	
38	660255	No	No	0.077897	Cold Lead	•
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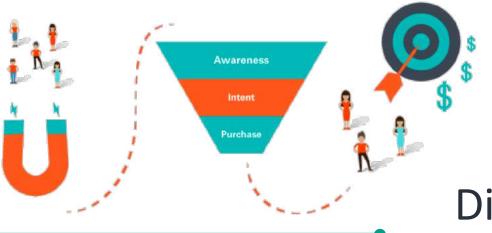


Pipeline

Leads Management Strategy

Differentiating marketing campaign to trigger leads upgrading



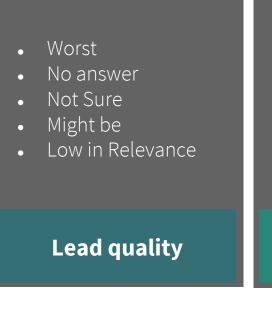


Did you do the good job?

Customer segments
Marketing channels
Sales efforts
Data quality

Predictive Model Feature Importance Ranking

Top 20 indicators in a glance





- Welingkak Website
 Direct Traffic
 Google
 Organic Search
 Reference
 Referral Sites

 Lead source
- SMS Sent
 Olark Chat
 Conversation
 Had a Phone
 Conversation
 Converted to Lead

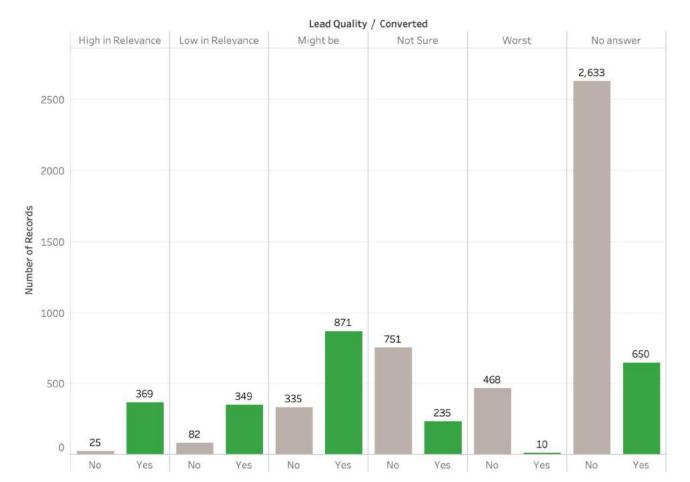
 Last Activity
- Working

 Professional
 Unemployed

 Current Occupation



Lead Quality



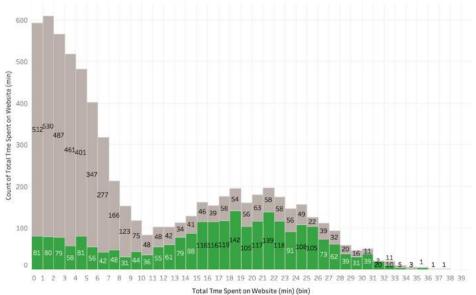


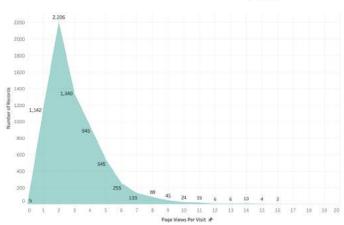
- The intuition of sales staff on the quality of leads.
- Conversion rate is highly correlated with the leads quality.
- Train sales staff to fill in the information in a more responsible manner.

Converted

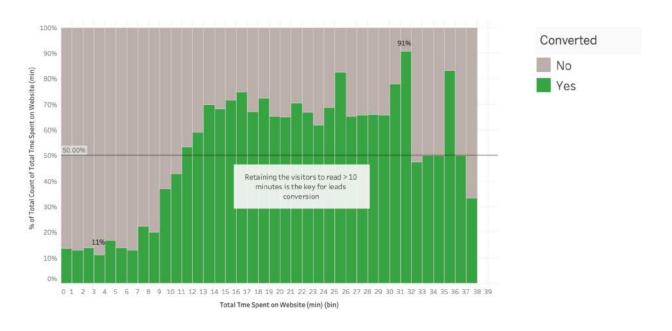
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Total Time Spent on Website





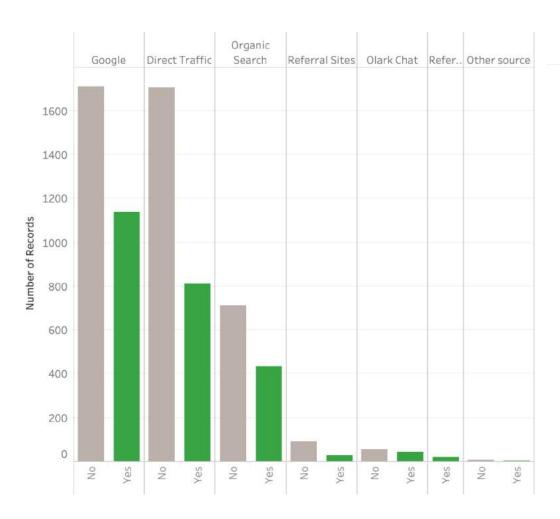


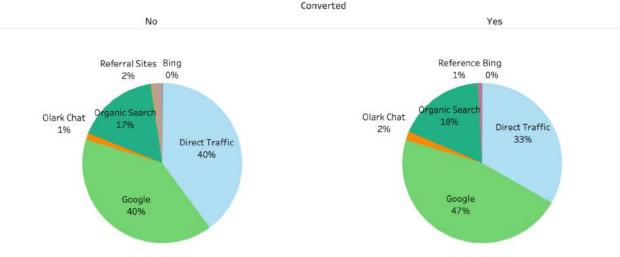


- Retaining web visitors for at least 10 minutes in 2 pages is the key to convert leads.
- Working harder on Content Marketing. Building a compelling website.

Lead Source

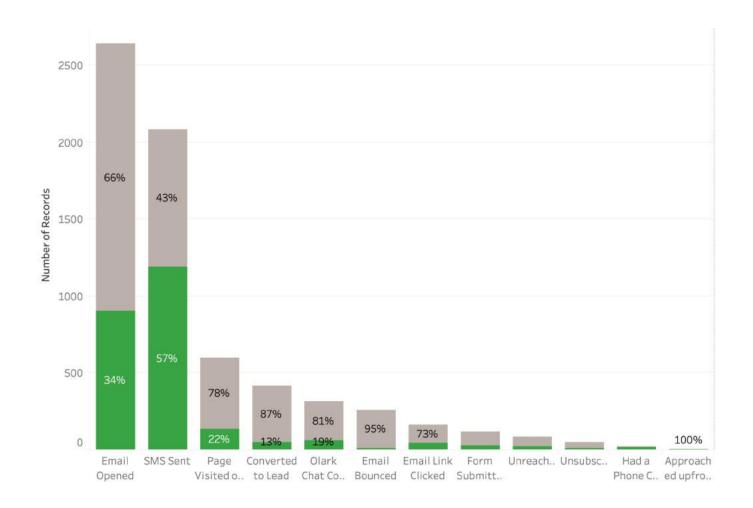






- Searching Engine is the major source for generating leads and the conversion rate is $\frac{1}{4}$.
- Consider to invest more SEO and SEA (if budget allowed)

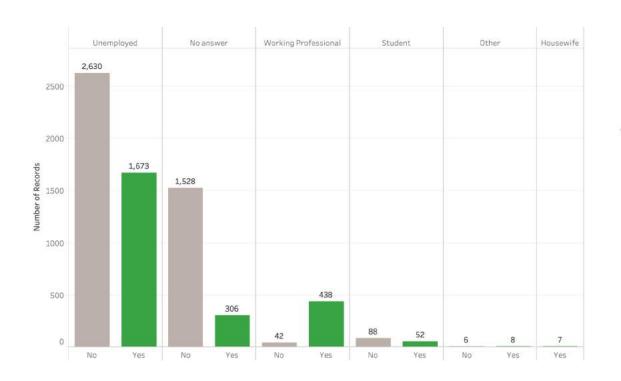
Last Activity





- SMS and email marketing are the most effective tactics.
- Improving email opening rate

Current Occupation





% of Total Number of Records

- Unemployed group of people contributed the highest number of leads
- Working professionals are more likely to buy the course, and the rate is extremely high, at 91%.
- Focus on generating more leads from working groups.



Conclusion

Strategy that you need





Lead Generating

Organic SEO Working professional



Lead Scoring

Differentiated campaign depends on the stages in the funnel



Lead Nurturing

Email Marketing SMS Marketing



Content is the King

Why I am the best
Web Design
Landing page
Testimony
Blog
Video



Data Strategy

A company-wide solution;
Forward-thinking investment

Empowering businesses through data analytics



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