Accounting Project

Study Group 6

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```
library(tidyverse)
library(here)
library(janitor)
library(lubridate)
library(patchwork)
```

Load data

```
# import data
overheads <- readxl::read_excel(here("Data","Overheads.xlsx"))
transactions <- read.delim(here("Data","Transactions.txt"))</pre>
```

Data Cleaning

```
unique(transactions$region)
    [1] "Midwest"
                         "Northwest"
                                          "West"
                                                          "Northeast"
    [5] "East coast"
                         "Central"
                                          "South"
                                                          "International"
                         "Soouth"
   [9] "Centrall"
transactions[transactions$region == "Centrall", "region"] <-"Central"</pre>
transactions[transactions$region == "Soouth", "region"] <-"South"</pre>
# clean data
transactions$quantity_sold<- as.numeric(transactions$quantity_sold)</pre>
transactions$date_of_sale<-lubridate::as_date(transactions$date_of_sale, format = '%d/%m/%Y')
transactions <- transactions %>%
  mutate(across(c(list_price,cost), ~gsub("\\$", "", .) %>% as.numeric))
head(transactions)
##
     customer number
                         region date_of_sale
                                                                     brand collection
                                                  918DP Jeffrey Alexander
## 1
               20943
                        Midwest
                                  2015-01-01
                                                                             Prestige
## 2
              126101 Northwest
                                  2015-01-01
                                                 2981AB
                                                                  Elements
                                                                             Florence
## 3
              161675
                           West
                                  2015-01-01 910-128PC Jeffrey Alexander
                                                                               Modena
## 4
              175749
                           West
                                  2015-01-01 351-128PC
                                                                  Elements
                                                                             Calloway
## 5
              216582
                           West
                                  2015-01-01 S271-3PB
                                                                  Elements
                                                                               Torino
## 6
              272896 Northeast
                                  2015-01-01 293-160PC Jeffrey Alexander
                                                                                 Zane
##
        description list_price
                                 cost quantity_sold
## 1
               Knob
                          14.14 8.62
## 2
            3" pull
                           6.83 4.27
                                                  54
                                                 450
## 3 128 mm CC pull
                         17.68 11.08
```

```
## 4 128" CC pull 7.63 4.85 467

## 5 3" CC pull 2.52 1.60 380

## 6 160 mm CC pull 17.15 10.77 689

overheads<-rename(overheads, category = `For the year 2018`)
```

Question 1

```
# calculate overhead costs in 2018
overheads %>% pivot_longer(2:9,names_to = "region", values_to = "overheads") %>%
  pivot_wider(names_from = "category", values_from = "overheads") %>% #separate production and non-prod
  clean_names() %>%
  summarise(production_overheads = sum(production_overheads),
            non_production_overheads = sum(non_production_overheads)) #summing up
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
    production_overheads non_production_overheads
##
##
                 48205754
                                           9580000
## 1
# calculate sales revenue and costs
transactions <-transactions %>%
  mutate(sales_revenue = list_price*quantity_sold,
         costs = cost*quantity_sold,
         year = year(date_of_sale))
# calculate operating profits and percentage in sales
transactions %>% filter(year == 2018) %>%
  summarise(sales_revenue = sum(sales_revenue),
            costs = sum(costs)) %>%
  mutate(gross_profits = sales_revenue-costs-48205754) %>%
  mutate(operating_profit = gross_profits-9580000) %% # subtract non-production overhead costs
  mutate(profit_as_percentage_of_sales = operating_profit/sales_revenue)
##
                      costs gross_profits operating_profit
     sales revenue
## 1
         154984988 94618794
                                 12160440
    profit_as_percentage_of_sales
## 1
                        0.01664961
```

Question 2

By calculating and plotting the operating profits of each region, we found that the Eastcoast region has the highest operating profits, as shown by the bar chart in figure 1. The West and South regions are suffering negative operating profits. By looking at figure 2, we see that the West region has a positive gross profits, which suggests that its non-production overheads must be higher than gross profits so that it brings the operating profits to a negative number.

By breaking down the costs, we can see that the non-production overhead costs are relatively low when compared with the other cost categories, as shown by figure 2. The largest of costs still come from product direct and variable costs, followed by production overheads.

```
# calculate overhead costs in 2018
overheads_by_region <- overheads %>%
pivot_longer(2:9,names_to = "region", values_to = "overheads") %>%
pivot_wider(names_from = "category", values_from = "overheads") %>% #separate production and non-prod
```

```
clean_names()
overheads_by_region
## # A tibble: 8 x 3
##
     region
                   production_overheads non_production_overheads
##
     <chr>>
                                   <dbl>
                                                            <dbl>
## 1 Central
                                5278312
                                                          1219464
## 2 East coast
                                7513545
                                                          1589821
## 3 International
                                 690587
                                                           217290
## 4 Midwest
                                9874330
                                                          2018055
## 5 Northeast
                                3965187
                                                           814835
## 6 Northwest
                                4968774
                                                          1075209
## 7 South
                                6849541
                                                           980076
## 8 West
                                9065478
                                                          1665250
transactions_by_region <- transactions %>%
  filter(year == 2018) %>%
  group_by(region) %>%
  summarise(sales_revenue = sum(sales_revenue),
            costs = sum(costs))
transactions_by_region
## # A tibble: 8 x 3
     region sales_revenue
                                      costs
##
     <chr>>
                                      <dbl>
                           <dbl>
## 1 Central
                       19728444. 12526495
                       25720078. 15615559.
## 2 East coast
## 3 International
                       3515301. 2139543.
## 4 Midwest
                       32648041. 19821850.
## 5 Northeast
                       13182393. 8020092.
                       17394723. 10510174.
## 6 Northwest
## 7 South
                       15855649. 9661517.
## 8 West
                       26940358. 16323564.
joined_by_region <- full_join(overheads_by_region, transactions_by_region, by = "region")</pre>
joined_by_region <- joined_by_region %>%
  mutate(gross_profits = sales_revenue-costs-production_overheads) %%
  mutate(operating_profits = sales_revenue-costs-production_overheads-non_production_overheads)
head(joined_by_region)
## # A tibble: 6 x 7
##
     region production_overh~ non_production_o~ sales_revenue costs gross_profits
##
     <chr>>
                         <dbl>
                                            <dbl>
                                                          <dbl> <dbl>
                                                                                <dbl>
                                                      19728444. 1.25e7
                                                                            1923638.
## 1 Central
                       5278312
                                          1219464
                       7513545
                                                      25720078. 1.56e7
## 2 East c~
                                                                            2590974.
                                          1589821
## 3 Intern~
                        690587
                                          217290
                                                       3515301. 2.14e6
                                                                             685172.
## 4 Midwest
                       9874330
                                          2018055
                                                      32648041. 1.98e7
                                                                            2951861.
## 5 Northe~
                       3965187
                                          814835
                                                      13182393. 8.02e6
                                                                            1197114.
## 6 Northw~
                                                      17394723. 1.05e7
                       4968774
                                          1075209
                                                                            1915774.
## # ... with 1 more variable: operating_profits <dbl>
```

Figure 1- Operating Profits by Region

```
(joined by region %>%
 ggplot(aes(x = fct_reorder(region, -operating_profits), y = operating_profits)) +
```



Figure 2- Gross Profits by Region

```
(joined_by_region %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = fct_reorder(region, -gross_profits), y = gross_profits)) +
  geom_col(fill = "darkred") +
  labs(x = "", y = "Absolute Gross Profits") +
  theme_minimal()) / (joined_by_region %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = fct_reorder(region, -gross_profits), y = gross_profits/sales_revenue)) +
  geom_col(fill = "darkblue") +
  scale_y_continuous(labels = scales::percent) +
  labs(x = "", y = "% Gross Profits") +
  theme_minimal())
```

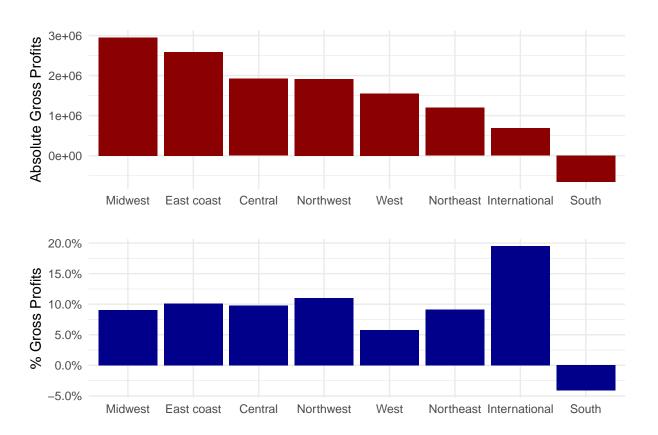


Figure 3- Cost Breakdown by Region

```
joined_by_region %>% pivot_longer(c(2,3,5), names_to = "components", values_to = "value") %>%
ggplot(aes(x = fct_rev(fct_reorder(region, sales_revenue)), y = value, fill = components)) +
    geom_bar(stat = "identity") +
    labs(x = "Region", y = "Components")+
    theme_minimal() +
    scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Blues")
```

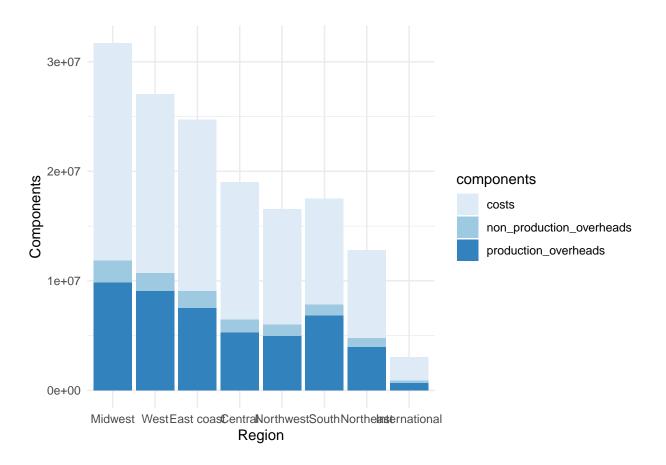
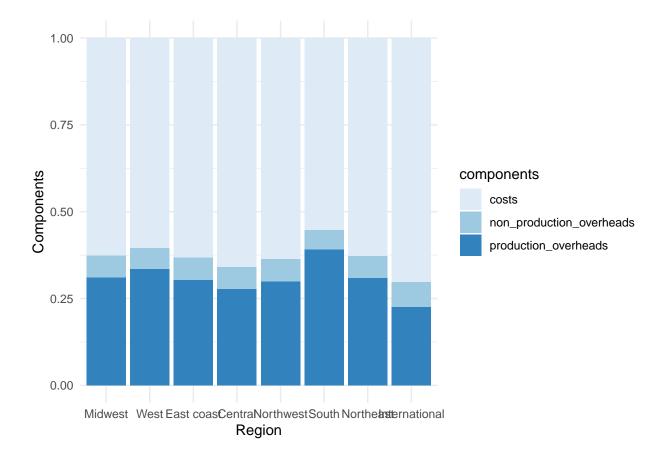


Figure 4- Cost Breakdown in Percentage by Region

```
joined_by_region %>% pivot_longer(c(2,3,5), names_to = "components", values_to = "value") %>%
ggplot(aes(x = fct_rev(fct_reorder(region, sales_revenue)), y = value, fill = components)) +
    geom_bar(stat = "identity", position = "fill") +
    labs(x = "Region", y = "Components") +
    theme_minimal() +
    scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Blues")
```



Question 3

As shown in figure 1 and 2, both sales revenue and contribution margin are higher for Jefferey Alexander brand. The difference in sales revenue is very large, which means that Jefferey Alexander is much more competitive in market than Elements. From figure 3, we see that for different collections, there is a positive relationship between sales revenue and contribution margin, which holds true for both brands.

From figure 4, we see that Belcastel contributed the most sales revenue and contribution margin to the Jefferey Alexander brand, while Madison contributed the most to the Elements brand.

```
joined_by_region <- joined_by_region %>%
  mutate(pro_overhead_per_sales = production_overheads/sales_revenue)
transactions_by_brand <- transactions %>%
  left_join(joined_by_region %>% select(region, pro_overhead_per_sales), by = "region") %>%
  mutate(production_overheads = pro_overhead_per_sales*sales_revenue,
         total variable cost = production overheads+costs) %>%
  group_by(brand) %>%
  summarize(sales_revenue = sum(sales_revenue),
            total_variable_cost = sum(total_variable_cost)) %>%
  mutate(contribution_margin_perc = 1- (total_variable_cost/sales_revenue),
         contribution_margin = sales_revenue-total_variable_cost)
transactions_by_brand
## # A tibble: 2 x 5
##
               sales_revenue total_variable_c~ contribution_margi~ contribution_ma~
     brand
##
     <chr>>
                       <dbl>
                                         <dbl>
                                                              <dbl>
                                                                               <dbl>
```

```
## 1 Elements
                   81739400.
                                     77737786.
                                                             0.0490
                                                                            4001614.
## 2 Jeffrey ~
                  403337381.
                                    370438371.
                                                             0.0816
                                                                           32899010.
transactions_by_collection <- transactions %>%
  left_join(joined_by_region %>% select(region, pro_overhead_per_sales), by = "region") %>%
  mutate(production_overheads = pro_overhead_per_sales*sales_revenue,
         total_variable_cost = production_overheads+costs) %>%
  group_by(collection) %>%
  summarize(sales revenue = sum(sales revenue),
            total variable cost = sum(total variable cost)) %>%
  mutate(contribution_margin_perc = 1- (total_variable_cost/sales_revenue),
         contribution_margin = sales_revenue-total_variable_cost)
head(transactions_by_collection)
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
##
     collection sales_revenue total_variable_cost contribution_ma~ contribution_ma~
##
                                                              <dbl>
                                                                               <dbl>
## 1 Aberdeen
                     4959652.
                                         4550959.
                                                             0.0824
                                                                             408693.
## 2 Aiden
                      330647.
                                         1074964.
                                                            -2.25
                                                                            -744317.
## 3 Alvar
                     2117913.
                                         1916725.
                                                             0.0950
                                                                             201188.
## 4 Amsden
                     2502762.
                                         2298731.
                                                             0.0815
                                                                             204031.
## 5 Annadale
                     4869955.
                                         4528855.
                                                             0.0700
                                                                             341100.
## 6 Anwick
                     6022229.
                                         5634367.
                                                             0.0644
                                                                             387863.
transactions_by_brand_collection <- transactions %>%
  left_join(joined_by_region %>% select(region, pro_overhead_per_sales), by = "region") %>%
  mutate(production_overheads = pro_overhead_per_sales*sales_revenue,
         total_variable_cost = production_overheads+costs) %>%
  group_by(brand,collection) %>%
  summarize(sales revenue = sum(sales revenue),
            total_variable_cost = sum(total_variable_cost)) %>%
  mutate(contribution_margin_perc = 1- (total_variable_cost/sales_revenue),
         contribution_margin = sales_revenue-total_variable_cost)
## `summarise()` has grouped output by 'brand'. You can override using the
## `.groups` argument.
head(transactions_by_brand_collection)
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
              brand [1]
## # Groups:
              collection sales_revenue total_variable_cost contribution_margin_perc
##
     brand
##
     <chr>
              <chr>
                                 <dbl>
                                                      <dbl>
                                                                                <dbl>
## 1 Elements Aiden
                               330647.
                                                   1074964.
                                                                             -2.25
## 2 Elements Arcadia
                              1219833.
                                                   1160922.
                                                                              0.0483
## 3 Elements Asher
                              3016359.
                                                   2859747.
                                                                              0.0519
## 4 Elements Belfast
                              2407136.
                                                   2313362.
                                                                              0.0390
## 5 Elements Brenton
                              3784927.
                                                   3547444.
                                                                              0.0627
## 6 Elements Calloway
                              2989323.
                                                   2809301.
                                                                              0.0602
## # ... with 1 more variable: contribution_margin <dbl>
Figure 1
transactions_by_brand %>% ggplot(aes(x = contribution_margin/1000000, y = brand, fill = brand)) +
  geom col() +
```

geom text(aes(label = round(contribution margin/1000000)), hjust = 1.5, color = '#fffffff') +

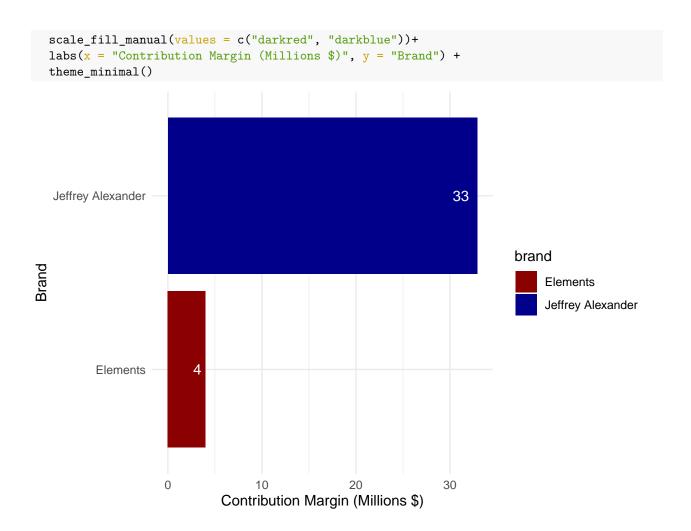
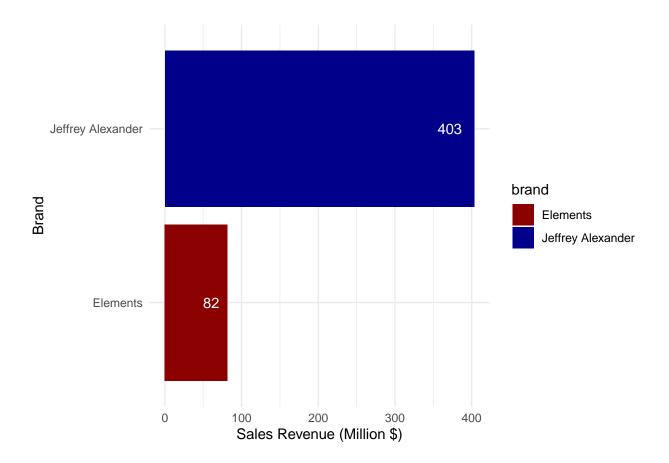
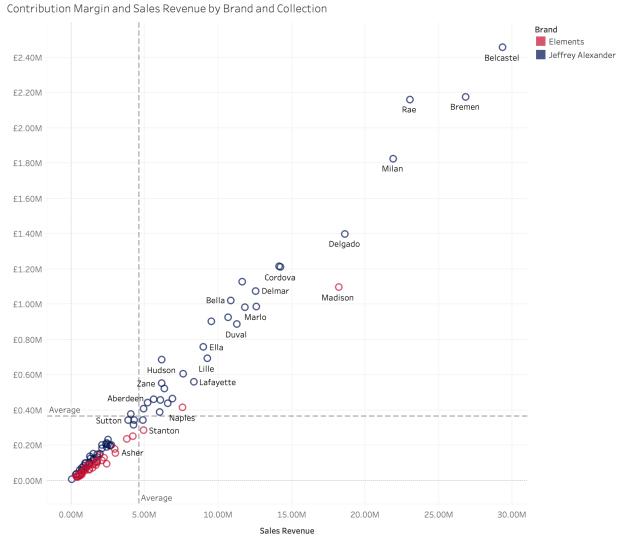


Figure 2

```
transactions_by_brand %>% ggplot(aes(x = sales_revenue/1000000, y = brand, fill = brand)) +
  geom_col() +
  geom_text(aes(label = round(sales_revenue/1000000)), hjust = 1.5, color = '#ffffff') +
  scale_fill_manual(values = c("darkred", "darkblue"))+
  labs(x = "Sales Revenue (Million $)", y = "Brand") +
  theme_minimal()
```

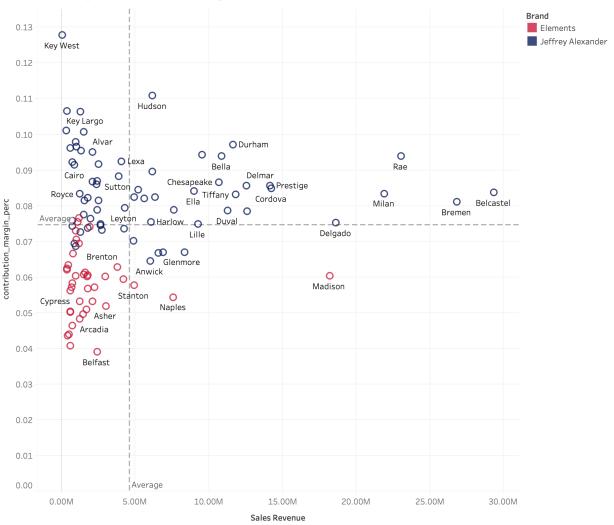


 ${\bf Figure} \ {\bf 3}$ There is Positive Linear Relationship Between Sales and Contribution Margin

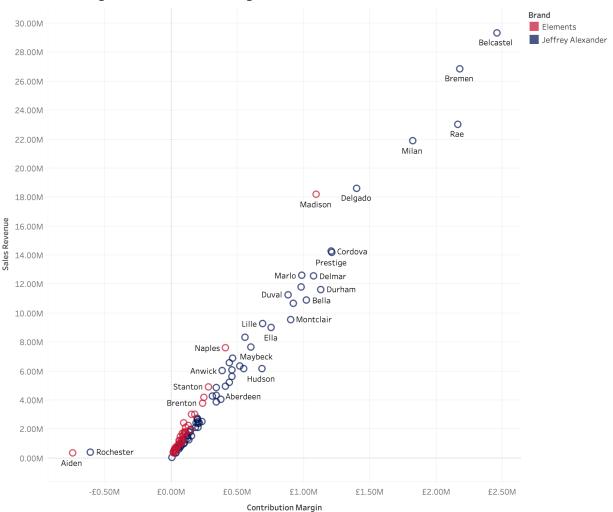


Jefferey Alexander Performs Better than Elements in Contribution Margin % and Sales

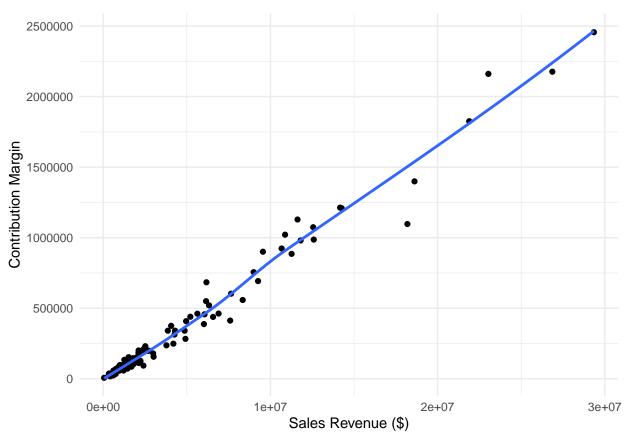
Contribution Margin % and Sales Revenue by Brand and Collection



Outliers with Negative Contribution Margin

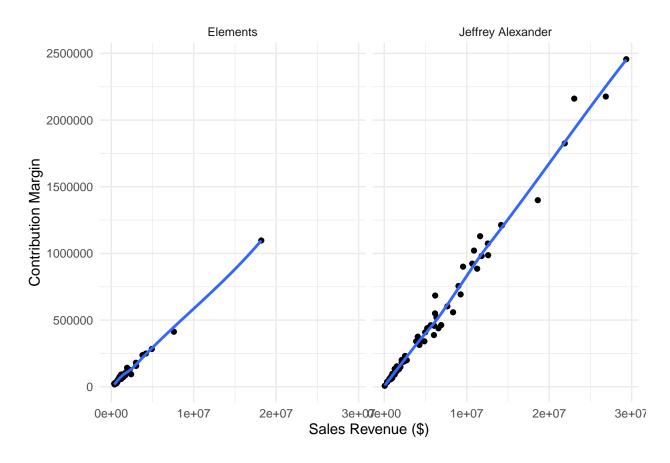


`geom_smooth()` using method = 'loess' and formula 'y ~ x'

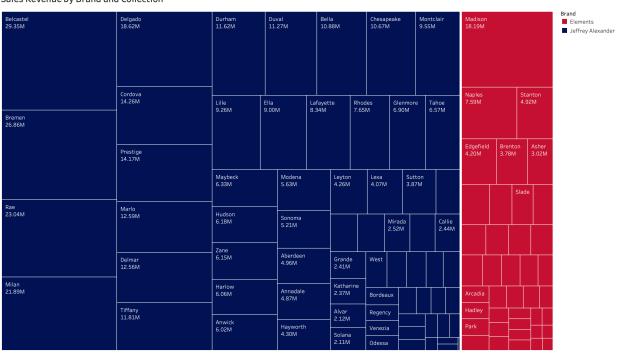


```
transactions_by_brand_collection %>% filter(contribution_margin > 0) %>% ggplot(aes(x = sales_revenue, geom_point() +
  geom_smooth(se = FALSE) +
  facet_wrap(~brand)+
  labs(x = "Sales Revenue ($)", y = "Contribution Margin") +
  theme_minimal()
```

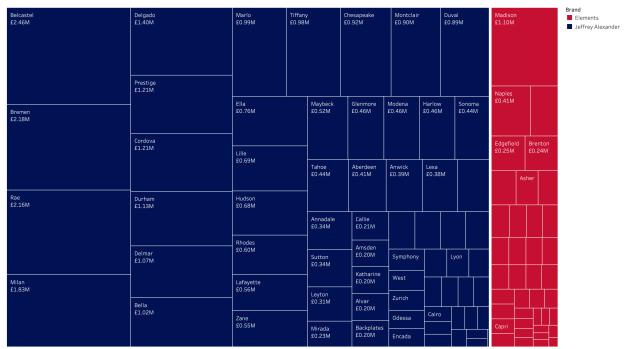
$geom_smooth()$ using method = 'loess' and formula 'y ~ x'



 $Figure \ 4$ Sales Revenue by Brand and Collection



Contribution Margin by Brand and Collection



Question 4

We choose to find the breakeven sales and volume by chronological order of transactions.

Overall

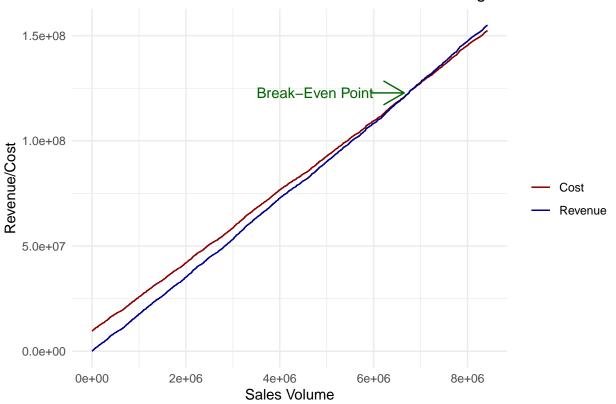
```
transactions_variableCost <- transactions %>%
  filter(year == 2018) %>%
  arrange(date_of_sale) %>%
  left_join(joined_by_region %>% select(region, pro_overhead_per_sales), by = "region") %>%
  mutate(total_variable_cost = costs + pro_overhead_per_sales*sales_revenue)
break_even <- data.frame(total_cost = cumsum(transactions_variableCost$total_variable_cost) + sum(joine
                         sales revenue = cumsum(transactions variableCost$sales revenue),
                         volume = cumsum(transactions_variableCost$quantity_sold),
                         date = transactions_variableCost$date_of_sale)
break_even[which(break_even$total_cost <= break_even$sales_revenue)[1],]</pre>
         total_cost sales_revenue volume
                                                 date
## 12361 122790564
                        122793343 6750493 2018-10-21
Overall, the company manage to breakeven at 2018-10-21 with a breakeven sales revenue of 122.79 million
```

and a breakeven sales volume of 6.75 million.

```
ggplot(break_even, aes(x = volume)) +
  geom_line(aes(y = total_cost, color = "Cost")) +
  geom_line(aes(y = sales_revenue, color = "Revenue")) +
  annotate("text",
           x = break_even[which(break_even$total_cost <= break_even$sales_revenue)[1],][3] %>% pull() -
```

```
y = break_even[which(break_even$total_cost <= break_even$sales_revenue)[1],][2] %>% pull(),
         label = "Break-Even Point",
         size = 4,
         color = "darkgreen") +
annotate("segment",
         x = break_even[which(break_even$total_cost <= break_even$sales_revenue)[1],][3] %>% pull() -
         xend = break_even[which(break_even$total_cost <= break_even$sales_revenue)[1],][3] %>% pull(
         y = break_even[which(break_even$total_cost <= break_even$sales_revenue)[1],][2] %>% pull(),
         yend = break_even[which(break_even$total_cost <= break_even$sales_revenue)[1],][2] %>% pull(
         arrow = arrow(),
         size = 0.5,
         color = "darkgreen") +
scale_colour_manual("",
                    breaks = c("Cost", "Revenue"),
                    values = c("darkred", "darkblue")) +
theme_minimal() +
labs(title = "Cumulative Sales Volume with Revenue/Cost showing Breakeven",
    x = "Sales Volume",
    y = "Revenue/Cost")
```

Cumulative Sales Volume with Revenue/Cost showing Breakeven



Regional

```
unique(transactions_variableCost$region)
```

```
## [1] "Northeast" "East coast" "Midwest" "Central"
## [5] "West" "South" "Northwest" "International"
```

```
transactions_variableCost_Northeast <- transactions_variableCost %>% filter(region == "Northeast")
break_even_Northeast <- data.frame(total_cost = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Northeast$total_variab
                         sales_revenue = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Northeast$sales_revenue),
                         volume = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Northeast$quantity_sold),
                         date = transactions_variableCost_Northeast$date_of_sale)
transactions_variableCost_Eastcoast <- transactions_variableCost %>% filter(region == "East coast")
break even Eastcoast <- data.frame(total cost = cumsum(transactions variableCost Eastcoast$total variab
                         sales_revenue = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Eastcoast$sales_revenue),
                         volume = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Eastcoast$quantity_sold),
                         date = transactions_variableCost_Eastcoast$date_of_sale)
transactions_variableCost_Midwest <- transactions_variableCost %>% filter(region == "Midwest")
break_even_Midwest <- data.frame(total_cost = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Midwest$total_variable_c</pre>
                         sales_revenue = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Midwest$sales_revenue),
                         volume = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Midwest$quantity_sold),
                         date = transactions_variableCost_Midwest$date_of_sale)
transactions_variableCost_Central <- transactions_variableCost %>% filter(region == "Central")
break_even_Central <- data.frame(total_cost = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Central$total_variable_c</pre>
                         sales_revenue = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Central$sales_revenue),
                         volume = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Central$quantity_sold),
                         date = transactions_variableCost_Central$date_of_sale)
transactions_variableCost_West <- transactions_variableCost %>% filter(region == "West")
break_even_West <- data.frame(total_cost = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_West$total_variable_cost) +</pre>
                         sales_revenue = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_West$sales_revenue),
                         volume = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_West$quantity_sold),
                         date = transactions_variableCost_West$date_of_sale)
transactions_variableCost_South <- transactions_variableCost %>% filter(region == "South")
break_even_South <- data.frame(total_cost = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_South$total_variable_cost)</pre>
                         sales_revenue = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_South$sales_revenue),
                         volume = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_South$quantity_sold),
                         date = transactions_variableCost_South$date_of_sale)
transactions_variableCost_Northwest <- transactions_variableCost %>% filter(region == "Northwest")
break_even_Northwest <- data.frame(total_cost = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Northwest$total_variab
                         sales_revenue = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Northwest$sales_revenue),
                         volume = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_Northwest$quantity_sold),
                         date = transactions_variableCost_Northwest$date_of_sale)
transactions_variableCost_International <- transactions_variableCost %>% filter(region == "Internationa
break_even_International <- data.frame(total_cost = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_International$tota
                         sales_revenue = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_International$sales_revenue),
                         volume = cumsum(transactions_variableCost_International$quantity_sold),
                         date = transactions_variableCost_International$date_of_sale)
break_even_region <- data.frame(</pre>
  region = unique(transactions_variableCost$region),
  break_even_date = c(break_even_Northeast[which(break_even_Northeast$total_cost <= break_even_Northeas</pre>
                      break_even_Eastcoast[which(break_even_Eastcoast$total_cost <= break_even_Eastcoas</pre>
                      break_even_Midwest[which(break_even_Midwest$total_cost <= break_even_Midwest$sale
```

```
break_even_Central[which(break_even_Central$total_cost <= break_even_Central$sale
                      break_even_West[which(break_even_West$total_cost <= break_even_West$sales_revenue
                      break_even_South[which(break_even_South$total_cost <= break_even_South$sales_reve
                      break_even_Northwest[which(break_even_Northwest$total_cost <= break_even_Northwes
                      break_even_International[which(break_even_International$total_cost <= break_even_
  break_even_sales = c(break_even_Northeast[which(break_even_Northeast$total_cost <= break_even_Northea</pre>
                       break_even_Eastcoast[which(break_even_Eastcoast$total_cost <= break_even_Eastcoa
                       break_even_Midwest[which(break_even_Midwest$total_cost <= break_even_Midwest$sal
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                          break_even_Northwest[which(break_even_Northwest$total_cost <= break_even_Northwest
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  )
break_even_region
##
            region break_even_date break_even_sales break_even_quantity
## 1
                        2018-09-15
                                            8903799
        Northeast
                                                                  431546
## 2
        East coast
                        2018-08-26
                                            15702736
                                                                  794605
## 3
           Midwest
                        2018-09-10
                                           22069107
                                                                 1130497
## 4
           Central
                        2018-09-01
                                            12686386
                                                                 1266387
## 5
                                                                      NA
              West
                              <NA>
                                                  NA
## 6
             South
                              <NA>
                                                                      NA
```

As we can see, most regions break even in between August and September but only two regions "West" and "South" did not break even. The region "International" broke even very early in the year only at April.

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Northwest

8 International

2018-08-05

2018-04-08

NA

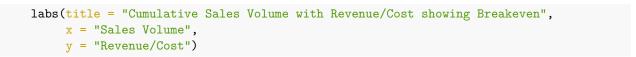
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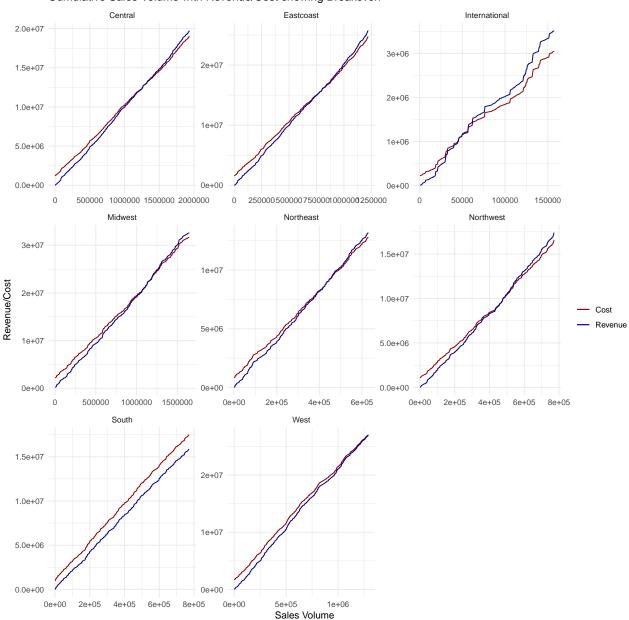
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```
break_even_Northeast %>%
  mutate(region = "Northeast") %>%
  rbind(break_even_Eastcoast %>% mutate(region = "Eastcoast")) %>%
  rbind(break_even_Midwest %>% mutate(region = "Midwest")) %>%
  rbind(break_even_Central %>% mutate(region = "Central")) %>%
  rbind(break_even_West %>% mutate(region = "West")) %>%
  rbind(break_even_South %>% mutate(region = "South")) %>%
  rbind(break_even_Northwest %>% mutate(region = "Northwest")) %>%
  rbind(break_even_International %>% mutate(region = "International")) %>%
  select(-date) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = volume)) +
   geom_line(aes(y = total_cost, color = "Cost")) +
    geom_line(aes(y = sales_revenue, color = "Revenue")) +
    scale_colour_manual("",
                        breaks = c("Cost", "Revenue"),
                        values = c("darkred", "darkblue")) +
    facet_wrap(~region, scales = "free") +
    theme_minimal() +
```







Question 5

a)

Cost absorption is an approach of allocating fixed overhead costs to each unit of a product produced in the same period when the fixed overhead cost is made. This disregards when the produced good is actually sold.

With the data provided, we only know when products are sold but has no information on when it is produced. However, we can make an assumption that the company uses made to order policy and hence the sales is made when the product is produced. Similar to above, we will split the regional overhead costs by regional sales revenue of each transaction.

```
joined_by_region <- joined_by_region %>%
  mutate(overhead_per_sales = (production_overheads+non_production_overheads)/sales_revenue)
transactions by brand collection <- transactions %>%
  filter(year == 2018) %>%
  left join(joined by region %>% select(region, overhead per sales), by = "region") %>%
  mutate(overheads = overhead_per_sales*sales_revenue,
         total cost = overheads+costs) %>%
  group_by(brand,collection) %>%
  summarize(total_cost = sum(total_cost))
## `summarise()` has grouped output by 'brand'. You can override using the
## `.groups` argument.
transactions_by_brand_collection
## # A tibble: 107 x 3
## # Groups:
              brand [2]
     brand
              collection total_cost
##
##
      <chr>
              <chr>
                               <dbl>
##
   1 Elements Aiden
                             328333.
## 2 Elements Arcadia
                             384968.
## 3 Elements Asher
                             808282.
## 4 Elements Belfast
                             885453.
## 5 Elements Brenton
                            1191983.
## 6 Elements Calloway
                             870604.
## 7 Elements Capri
                             272849.
## 8 Elements Cosgrove
                             691912.
## 9 Elements Cypress
                             145605.
## 10 Elements Drake
                             496568.
## # ... with 97 more rows
```

b)

Our full cost estimations could be improved if we can know about when the products of each transactions are produced and hence allocate the fixed cost according to their production date instead of date of sales.

If detailed information about each products are hard to gather, mean inventory holding period of each product or turnover rate could also be used to make a rough estimate of when each product is produced.