GETTING ON THE SAME PAGE FOSTERING EFFECTIVE STAKEHOLDER COMMUNICATION

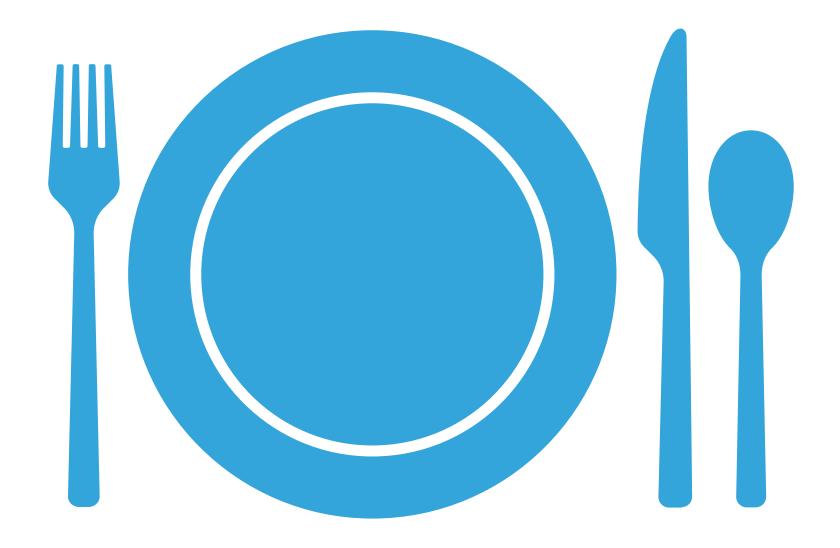
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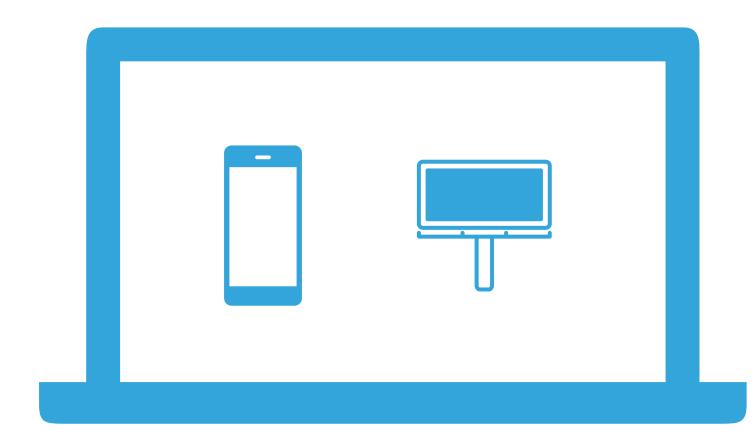


AGENDA

I/ A Motivating ExampleII/ Project ProcessIII/ Breaking Down Complex IdeasIV/ Key Takeaways

A MOTIVATING EXAMPLE





PROJECT PROCESS I/ Planning and Initial Meetings II/ Iterations III/ Deliverables

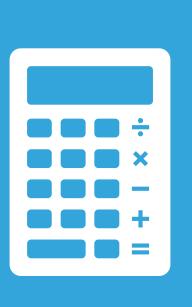


PLANNING AND INITIAL MEETINGS

UNDERSTAND YOUR STAKEHOLDERS

WHAT ARE THEIR ROLES AT **THE COMPANY? JOB DESCRIPTIONS?**

MARKETING, DESIGNERS



HOW MUCH EXPERIENCE DO THEY HAVE WORKING WITH MORE TECHNICAL TEAMS?

WHAT ARE THEIR **CAPABILITIES IN TERMS OF UTILIZING RESULTS?**

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NOT DATA SAVVY

1 PREVIOUS PROJECT

DEFINING THE PROJECT





USE ALL THE EXPERTISE



CLICK RATES, AD CONVERSIONS

INCREASE CLICKS, PURCHASES

DIALOGUE

"We don't understand why people don't click on our ads."

"Let's use artificial intelligence!"

"We need more purchases from our online marketing." "Let's determine who is currently interacting with ads."

"A less complicated analysis might be just as fruitful."

"How much spend needs to be generated by ads?"

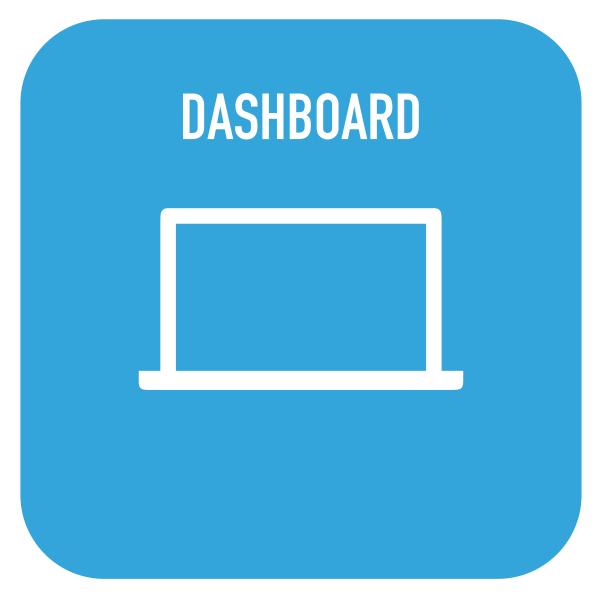
GOALS AND DELIVERABLES





TYPES OF ADS, WHO TO TARGET





SUMMARY OF AD PERFORMANCE

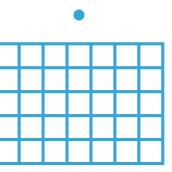
SELF SERVICE TOOL

PLANNING STAGES AND INITIAL MEETINGS





TIMELINE FOR UPDATES AND TOUCHBASES

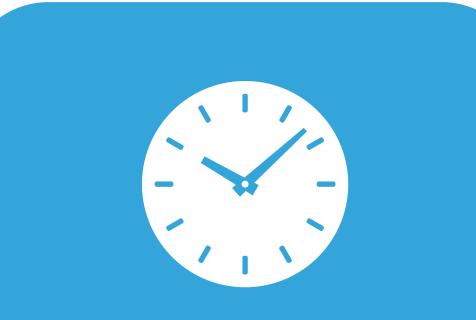




DELIVERABLES



REGULAR CHECK-INS



ENSURES ALIGNMENT AND KEEPS YOU ON TRACK





UPDATE GOALS AND DELIVERABLES

REGULAR CHECK-INS

PRELIMINARY FINDINGS



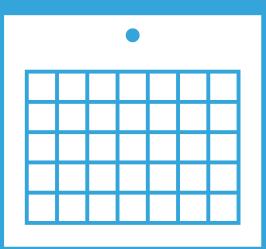
- Purchases broken down by gender, age, etc.
- Summary of ad clicks

"Why this graph?"

"Is this in line with who you target?"



NEXT STEPS



- Date for next touch base
- Fit preliminary models





FINAL PRESENTATION



- **Executive summary**
- What is most important?



- Females 19–25 most likely to click
- Instagram drives most purchases

What does execution look like?

How will success be measured?

Show ads to those likely to interact

Design ads for missing groups

HIGH LEVEL SUMMARY \square

- **Present supporting evidence**
- **Analysis overview**

- **Graphs of customer breakdowns**
- High level math



FINAL PRESENTATION

TAILOR TO AUDIENCE

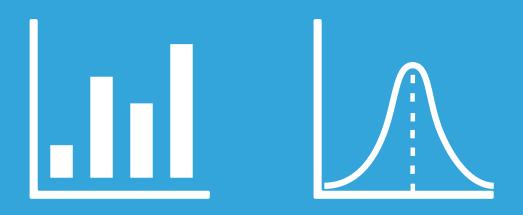
- What is most important for their role?
- Technical level

High level summary

Avoid jargon



PICTURES, PICTURES, PICTURES



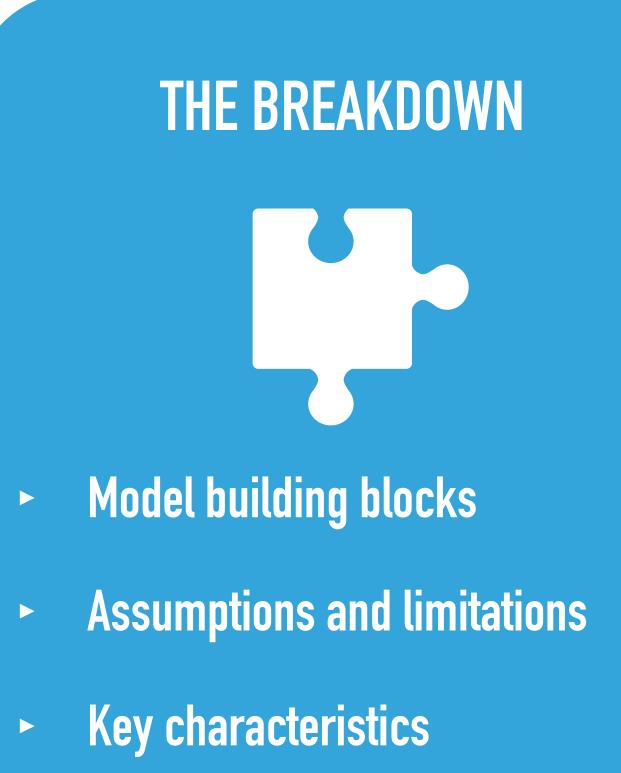
- **Demonstrate key findings**
- **Exploratory data analysis**



BREAKING DOWN COMPLEX IDEAS



DATA SCIENCE RESULTS



RANDOM FOREST MODEL

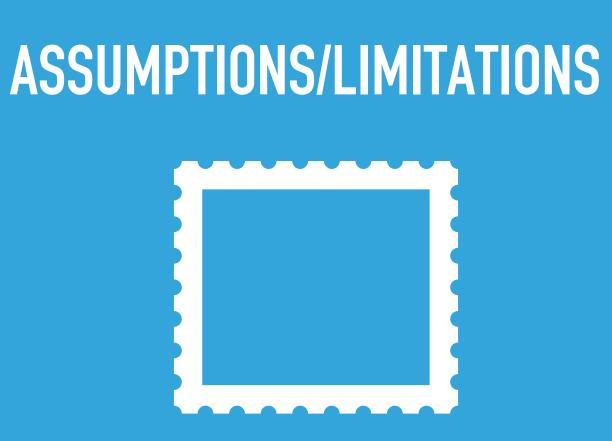
- Classifier for ad click
- Classifier and regression for purchase

DATA SCIENCE RESULTS

MODEL BUILDING BLOCKS

- Multiple decision trees
- Randomly selected variables, bootstrap sample
- Majority wins for prediction

- **Risk of overfitting**



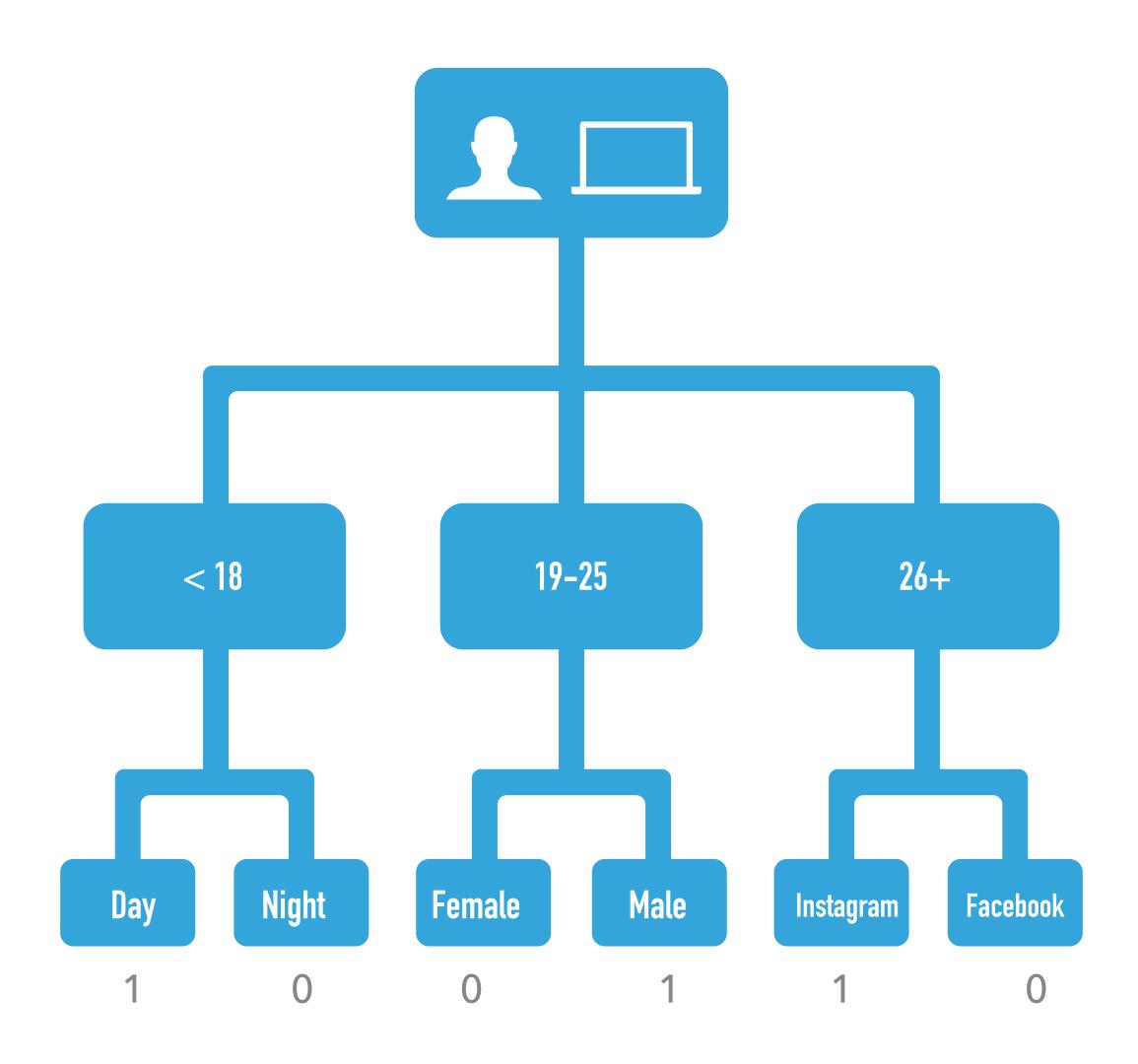
Cannot predict beyond training

PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE

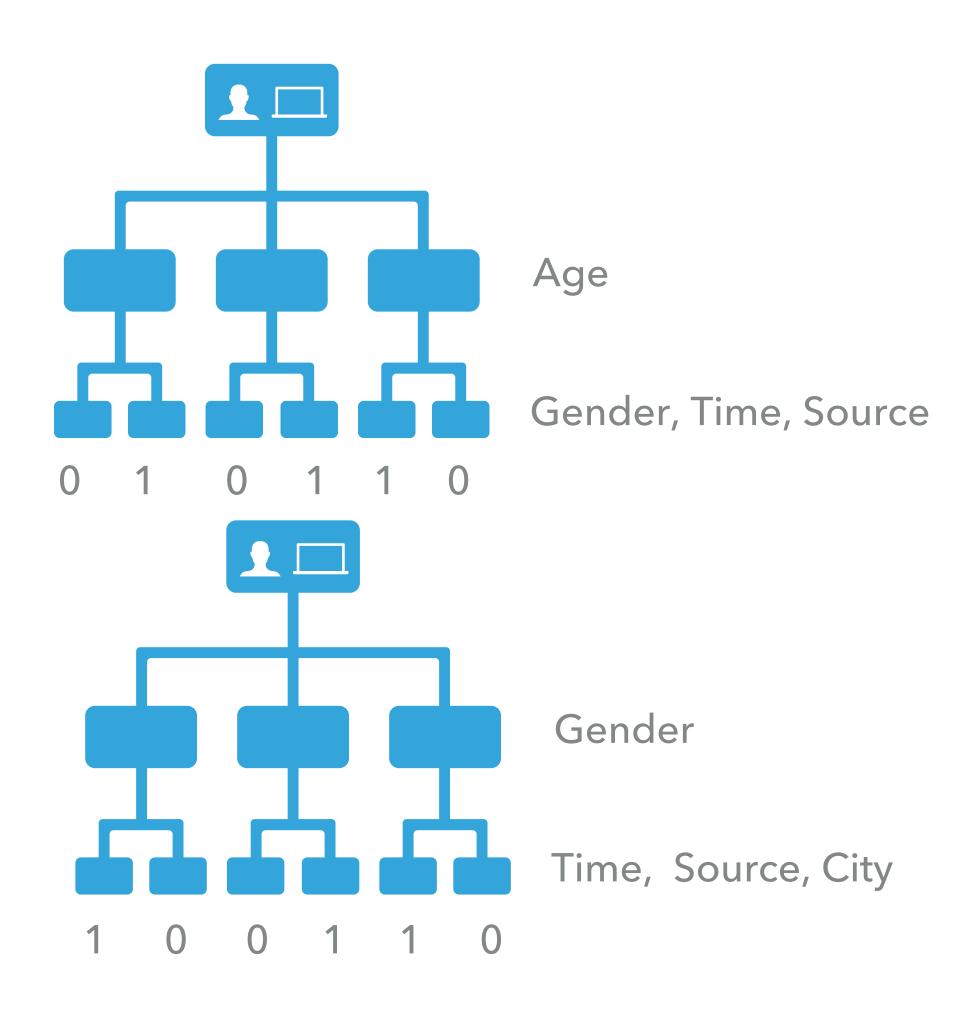
- Family, friends, co-workers
- Tutoring, teaching assistant



DECISION TREE



RANDOM FOREST MODEL



Combining multiple decision trees

- Bootstrap sampling
- Random selection of variables
- Prediction based on outcome of all trees

KEY TAKEAWAYS

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WORKING WITH STAKEHOLDERS

- Recognize the business expertise
- YOU are the data science expert
- This is an iterative process

DATA SCIENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Emphasize the key results
- Pictures are worth 1000 words
- Practice makes perfect

QUESTIONS?

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