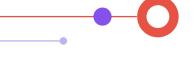
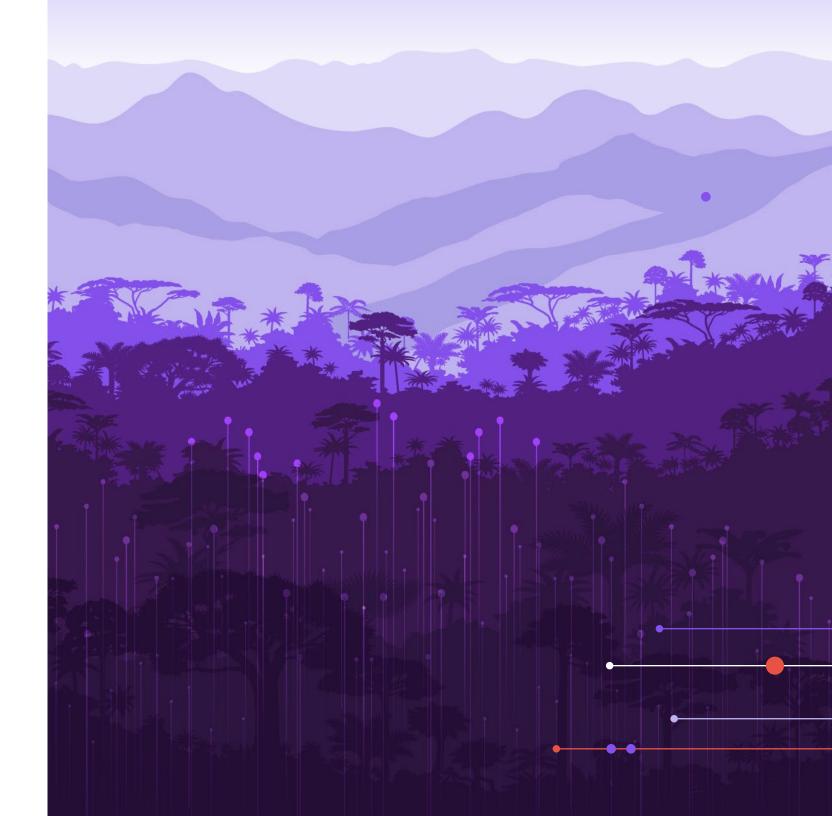
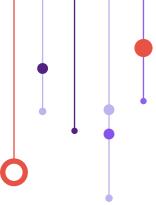
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# Navigate the data jungle:

THE QUEST
TO FIND THE
MISSING SALES







Diagnosing the cause of declining sales and identifying a solution is an all-too-familiar project for many teams. Learn how data science and an understanding of shopper behavior equips teams with the insights they need to pinpoint the problem and prescribe a strategic mix of short- and long-term solutions to find the missing sales.

# What you'll learn

- **1. ANALYTICAL INSIGHTS:** How to use data science tools to understand how, where and why sales are declining
- 2. ACTIONABLE RECOMMENDATIONS: Develop actionable short-term, mid-term and long-term strategies to address a sales decline





## SETTING THE SCENE

Here's the scenario — you work for a major sports drink manufacturer of "Jungleade." Your CEO called you concerned about May's declining sales compared to April. You have been asked to identify the root cause and quickly recommend an action plan for getting back on track.

Choose from the following options to find the right answer.

First, you need to understand HOW your sales are declining

#### OPTION A:

#### **CATEGORY SALES ANALYSIS**

Analysis to see if total category sales are down



#### OPTION B:

#### **NEW PRODUCT ANALYSIS**

Analysis to see if any new products are stealing share from Jungleade



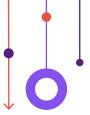


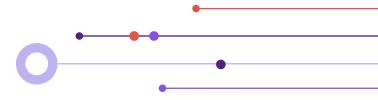
#### OPTION C:

#### **NEW, LOST, RETAINED ANALYSIS**

Analysis to investigate
New, Lost and Retained
households for Jungleade







# OPTION A:

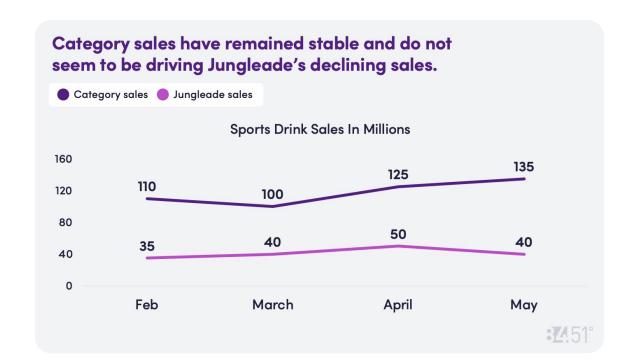
### CATEGORY SALES ANALYSIS

The top line represents sports drink category sales and the bottom line represents Jungleade sales. We see category sales increase in spring, which makes sense for that time of year, but Jungleade is not following the trend.

#### PRO TIP:

Always account for seasonality and category trends in your analysis to remove any bias. In this case, category shrink is not the source of the sales decline.

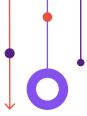




### Let's try a different option:







### OPTION B:

## **NEW PRODUCT ANALYSIS**

In this graph, we see innovation sales or sales from new products only represent 10% to 20% of total category sales for April and May of 2023 and 2024.

#### PRO TIP:

Look at both current trends and YoY trends in your analysis.

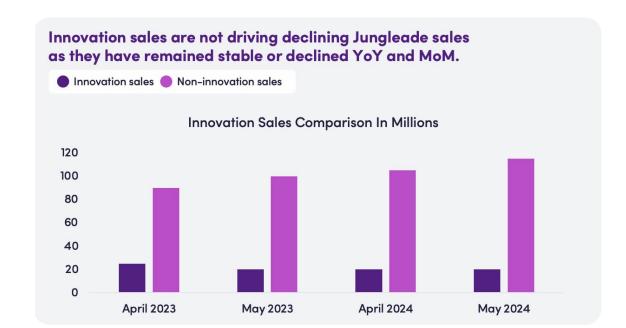


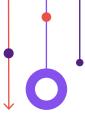
Innovation sales are not driving declining Jungleade sales as they have remained relatively stable YoY and MoM.

Although it is not the culprit, innovation is important to watch and respond to as it can dramatically change a category's trajectory.









# OPTION C:

# NEW, LOST, RETAINED ANALYSIS

In this example we see that from March to April, 50% of households were retained, 26% were new and 24% lapsed.

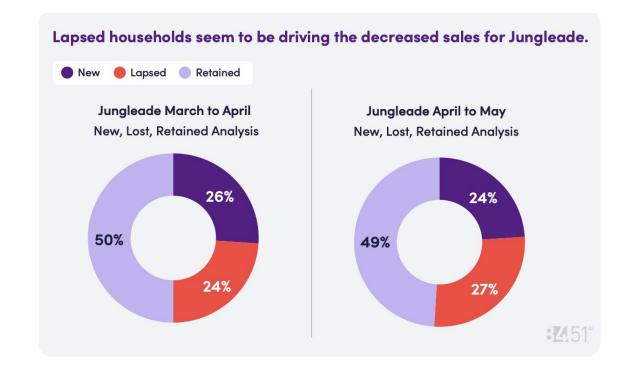
#### PRO TIP:

Always strive to have a new to lapsed ratio greater than 1, also known as "filling the leaky bucket."



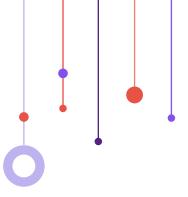
We see that ratio flips from April to May, as lapsed households increased to 27% of purchases for our brand.

You have identified the source of the sales decline: LAPSED HOUSEHOLDS.



THIS TYPE OF ANALYSIS CAN ONLY BE CONDUCTED WITH DATA COLLECTED OVER LONG PERIODS OF TIME, SUCH AS 84.51°'s LONGITUDINAL DATA.







Next, we need to understand WHERE our sales are going. Choose from the following options to find the right answer.

#### Our options are:

#### OPTION D:

DETERMINE IF LAPSED
HOUSEHOLDS ARE GOING
TO A COMPETITOR'S BRAND



#### OPTION E:

DETERMINE IF LAPSED
HOUSEHOLDS STOPPED
SHOPPING THE CATEGORY

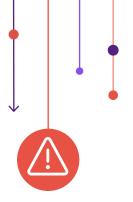




#### OPTION F:

DETERMINE IF LAPSED HOUSEHOLDS STOPPED SHOPPING KROGER





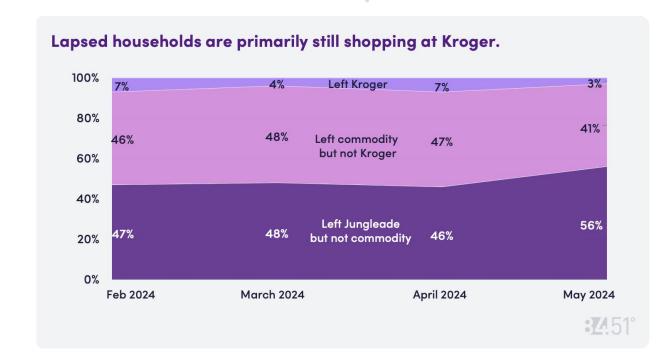
### **SPOILER ALERT:**

# A lapsed household deep dive analysis answers all three questions at once

Here we see that lapsed households are primarily still at Kroger with an even split between remaining in the category and buying other products vs. leaving the category entirely.

We also see that the amount of households that left Jungleade but remained in the category increased in May, suggesting they are going to a competitor's product. So, let's dive deeper there.





SAMPLE CODE WITHIN **84.51° COLLABORATIVE CLOUD** ENABLES CLIENTS TO RUN THIS ANALYSIS OUT OF THE BOX.

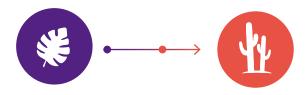
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## A DEEPER DIVE

At the bottom left of this chart we see of all our lapsed households. The majority are going to a competitive brand named Desertade.



Now that we know that our lapsed households are moving to Desertade, we need to identify WHY they are leaving.

#### Three options to consider:

OPTION G:
PRICE COMPARISON
ANALYSIS

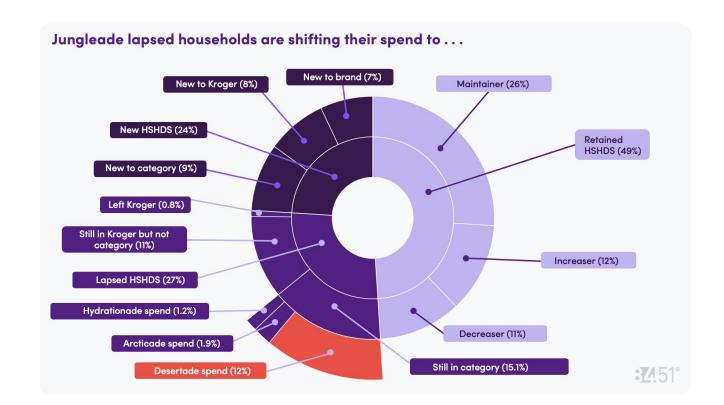


OPTION H:
FLAVOR COMPARISON
ANALYSIS



OPTION I: PACK SIZE ANALYSIS







# OPTION G: PRICE COMPARISON ANALYSIS

Using 84.51° Collaborative Cloud Customer Dimensions, we see a few things in the data.

- First, price does not seem to be an important factor for those leaving our brand.
- Second, we see that our loyal households tend to be more quality focused.
- Lastly, we see that both lapsed and loyal households are health focused, which makes sense for the sports drink commodity.

None of the customer dimensions seem to be the reason customers are leaving our brand.





Looking at 84.51° customer price dimensions, we do not see that the lapsed households are motivated by price.

Customer Group Vs Category Average Benchmark	Price Affinity Index	Quality Affinity Index	Convenience Affinity Index	Health Affinity Index
Lapsed Jungleade buyers who went to Desertade	101	95	105	125
Still loyal Jungleade buyers	98	124	102	126

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#### PRO TIP:

Keep an eye out for indexes **over 120 and below 80.** These should be evaluated further.



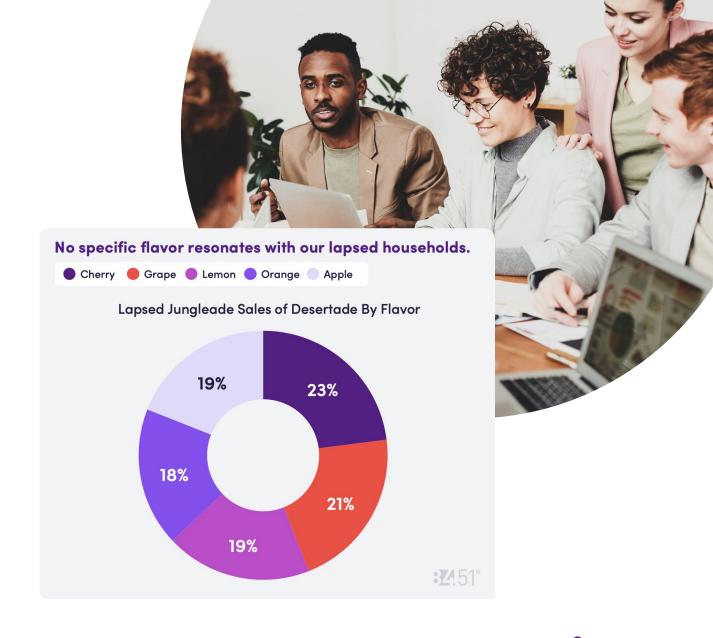


# OPTION H: FLAVOR COMPARISON ANALYSIS

Utilizing 84.51° Collaborative Cloud's product attributes, lapsed households do not appear to be driven by any specific flavor. While interesting, none of the flavors strongly resonate with our lapsed households, suggesting that flavor is not the reason why customers are leaving the brand.









# OPTION I: PACK SIZE ANALYSIS

By comparing our pack size options to Desertade and taking into consideration where the majority of lapsed households dollars converted to, it appears that lapsed households are leaving Jungleade for the larger pack size provided by Desertade.

This seems logical because it's springtime and team sports are returning. Larger pack sizes might be more convenient for sports teams and those training outdoors.

To confirm that the 24-pack is a better fit for our customers, we'll do one last analysis.

Looking at which pack size gained the most share from our lapsed customers, we see the 24-pack seems to be driving the conversion.

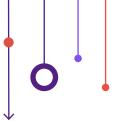
Jungleade Product Sizes	Desertade Product Sizes		
Single-pack	Single-pack		
6-pack	6-pack		
12-pack	12-pack		
18-pack	24-pack		
36-mini-pack			







CLICK HERE FOR CROSS-SHOP ANALYSIS



# **CROSS-SHOP ANALYSIS**

We see in the chart to the right that the 24-pack and any other size are often bought together less than expected.

We also see the smaller pack sizes do get purchased more frequently together.

This confirms that the 24-PACK seems to be important to a specific subset of sports drink customers.

The Cross-Shop results confirm the 24-pack is not substitutable for other sizes and preferred by a subset of sports drink consumers.

#### **Basket Level Cross-Shop Results**

Anchor Product	Comparison Product	Total Visits	Anchor Product Visits	Comparison Product Visits	Combination Visits	Expected Visits	Overlap Index
Desertade 24-pack	Desertade 1-pack	28M	8M	16M	1.7M	4.6M	37
Desertade 24-pack	Desertade 6-pack	28M	8M	9.5M	1.3M	2.7M	48
Desertade 24-pack	Desertade 12-pack	28M	8M	3.3M	0.4M	0.9M	44
Desertade 1-pack	Desertade 6-pack	28M	16M	9.5M	7.6M	5.4M	140
Desertade 1-pack	Desertade 12-pack	28M	16M	3.3M	2.2M	1.9M	116
Desertade 6-pack	Desertade 12-pack	28M	9.5M	3.3M	1.2M	1.1M	109

Expected Visits = (Anchor Visits/Total Visits)\*(Comparison Visits/Total Visits)\*Total Visits





Now that we know HOW we are losing sales, WHERE those sales are going and WHY, we will recommend WHAT to do about it.



CLICK HERE FOR RECOMMENDATIONS



# **ACTIONS:**

# HOW JUNGLEADE TURNS AROUND DECLINING SALES



#### **SHORT-TERM ACTION**

Offer a personalized coupon to lapsed customers looking for a large quantity sports drink option, such as a Buy 2, Save \$3 coupon to improve the value.

#### **MID-TERM ACTION**

Because we noticed from our earlier analysis that our brand resonates with shoppers focused on quality, we enhance our Product Detail Pages and optimize our search engine key words to highlight the quality of Jungleade.

#### LONG-TERM ACTION

Finally, we decide to test adding a larger pack size to our Jungleade portfolio. We then collaborate with Kroger to deploy a small scale test to determine if this larger pack size resonates with shoppers.







## **RESULTS:**

# HERE'S A PREVIEW OF POTENTIAL OUTCOMES

# SHORT-TERM ACTION: PROMOTION

Send "Quantity" offer (Buy 2, Save \$3) to lapsed Jungleade households to win them back.

#### **RESULT 1**

Campaign to 750K households achieved an iROAS of 1.12X and a \$152K uplift in Jungleade sales. Estimated monthly campaign could increase Jungleade sales by \$1.8M annually.

#### **SOLUTION:**

84.51° COLLABORATIVE CLOUD ACTIVATION PACKAGE

# MID-TERM ACTION: MESSAGING

Highlight "Quality" over "Quantity" on Jungleade's Product Detail Pages to engage loyal customers and reduce lapsing households.

#### **RESULT 2**

Display changes reduced lapsed households by 0.8% and increased new households by 1.1%, adding \$2.3M annually.

#### **SOLUTION:**

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# LONG-TERM ACTION: ASSORTMENT

Launch small in-store test for new 24-pack as part of assortment.

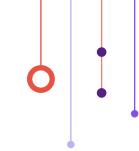
#### **RESULT 3**

Test stores outperformed control stores in Jungleade sales by 1.6% (92% significance) and category sales by 0.2% (94% significance). Scaling this launch enterprisewide could boost Jungleade sales by \$7.7M annually.

#### **SOLUTION:**

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