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1. Introduction

This configuration manual accompanies my MSC Fintech research submission and outlines the undertaken study procedures, technology implementations, and hardware setup. It serves to guide subsequent research endeavors, offering clear instructions for replicating the study's outcomes and aiding fellow researchers in reproducing the findings effectively.

2. System Specification

System Hardware

The research project was conducted on a hpWindows 11 home edition computer: System Type - 64-bit operating system, x64-based processor Processor: AMD Ryzen 5 5625U with Radeon Graphics - 2.30 GHz RAM: 8GB Storage: 476 GB

4. Software and Tools

4.1 Data Source

Microsoft Excel 2021: Microsoft Excel was used to extract the data from CBI (Central Bank of Ireland and NPCI (National Payments Corporation of India) websites into Comma-Separated Value (CSV) file.



Cards Payments Transactions Data Extraction from CBI



UPI Transactions Data Extraction from NPCI, India

4.2 Data Preparation

Initially, the synthesized data from both origins was combined into a unified dataset, aligning diverse variables, and introducing two novel variables, namely "predict parameter" and "UPI adoption." Subsequently, a thorough data cleaning process was executed, involving the elimination of all missing values, irrelevant observations, and responses. Efforts were made to rectify structural inconsistencies and eliminate inaccuracies in labeling across the datasets. Furthermore, any outliers that emerged, often stemming from erroneous data entries, were carefully identified, and removed from the dataset. This meticulous approach aimed to safeguard the reliability and credibility of the analytical tool employed.

4.3 Data Simulation

Monte Carlo Simulation

In our study, we used Monte Carlo simulation to generate synthetic data spanning 10 years of data from 2023 to 2043. By modelling historical trends and parameters, we created diverse scenarios through iterative sampling. This simulated data allowed us to explore UPI's impact on retail payments, considering uncertainties. Applying statistical analyses, we inferred potential trends and effects. This method provided insights into UPI's long-term influence on transactions. We used python to generate simulated data.

- 1. Defining initial constraints such as market size, growth rates, transaction values, profit margins, etc.
- 2. Creating a function (this_month) to calculate and update values for each variable based on the defined constraints and the previous month's data.
- 3. Iterating over 120 months to generate and accumulate data, tracking variables like market size, revenue, transaction volumes, etc.
- 4. Storing the generated data in a DataFrame and saving it to a CSV file for further analysis.

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4.4 SPSS (IBM)

SPSS: For the analysis of statistical data, we employed the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (IBM SPSS). This software was utilized to analyse data derived from a simulation technique, combining statistical data from the central bank of Ireland and UPI transaction data sourced from NPCI, which was exported into CSV format in Excel.

5. Techniques Used

5.1 Descriptive Statistics

We began with descriptive analysis as our initial technique. This approach allowed us to comprehensively understand the dataset's characteristics, patterns, and trends before proceeding to quantitative analysis. Descriptive analysis provided a foundation for data exploration, enabling us to summarize and visualize key features, relationships, and distributions within the data. This preliminary step facilitated a better grasp of the dataset's nuances, ensuring a solid base for subsequent quantitative analysis techniques.

Step 1: Following data entry, we employed descriptive analysis. To do this, selected suitable Analyse on the SPSS software, then opted for "Descriptive statistics" before choosing "Frequencies". The figure below illustrates this.



Step 2: Correlation Analysis

Correlation analysis was conducted in SPSS as part of our study to explore relationships between variables, helping identify potential dependencies and patterns in the data. This analysis aids in understanding how changes in one variable might relate to changes in another, contributing to informed decision-making and insights.

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				Sig. (2-tailed)	<.001	<.001	<.001	<.001	<.001	<.001	<.001	<.001	<.001		<.001	< 001	< 001	<.001

Step 3: One Sample Test

A sample test analysis was conducted using SPSS in our study to assess the statistical significance of a specific variable. This analysis aimed to determine its impact on the overall UPI adoption trend, providing valuable insights into potential influencing factors.

	💑 Month	Arket_card	🔗 Card_market	🔗 Card_Capex	POS_card	& Revenue_card	& Volume_card	Transaction_averagecard	Revenue_from_POScard	1
1	2023-02-01	49222045.854166664	35439873.015000000	72.24000000000001	2.1052500000000000	969.5189585503676	772110.52320261440	45.90000000000000000	746097.9266482875	
2	2023-03-01	49427137.711892360	35587539.152562500	72.48080000000002	2.1105131250000000	973.5211605442604	760125.14743394640	46.81800000000000000	751079.6846793452	
3	2023-04-01	49633084.119025245	35735820.565698180	72.72240266666668	2.1157894078124997	977.5397882540263	748325.81916495540	47.754360000000000	756094.7063239228	1
4	2023-05-01	49839888.636187850	35884719.818055250	72.96481067555558	2.1210788813320307	981.5749084500384	736709.65040340780	48.709447200000000	761143.2136859398	1
5	2023-06-01	50047554.838838640	36034239.483963820	73.20802671114077	2.1263815785353610	985.6265881697262	725273.79798701510	49.683636144000000	766225.4303523221	1
6	2023-07-01	50256086.317333795	36184382.148480330	73.45205346684459	2.1316975324816990	989.6948947186178	714015.46288754350	50.677308866880000	771341.5814029037	1
7	2023-08-01	50465486.676989354	36335150.407432330	73.6968936 🤮 One-:	Sample T Test			\times 10	776491.8934203960	1
8	2023-09-01	50675759.538143480	36486546.867463306	73.9425499				15	781676.5945004218	1
9	2023-10-01	50886908.536219075	36638574.146077730	74.1890251		<u>T</u> est Va	riable(s):	Options 10	786895.9142616171	1
10	2023-11-01	51098937.321786660	36791234.871686390	74.4363218 A Tra	neaction average card	^ Mai	rket_card	30	792150.0838558015	1
11	2023-12-01	51311849.560627430	36944531.683651745	74.6844429 A Inte	vaet on loan card	PO	S_card	Bootstrap 36	797439.3359782136	1
12	2025-01-01	51525648.933796710	37098467.232333630	74.9333910 A Mar	rket uni	🛷 Vol	ume_card	15	802763.9048778182	1
13	2025-02-01	51740339.137687530	37253044.179135020	75.1831690 A LIPI	op	🔗 Rev	enue_from_POScard	50	808124.0263676792	1
14	2025-03-01	51955923.884094560	37408265.196548080	75.4337796 A LIPI	L Capax	🔁 🛷 Cas	shFlow_card	36	813519.9378354050	1
15	2025-04-01	52172406.900278285	37564132.968200360	75.6852255 B Paul		PO	S_upi	50	818951.8782536602	1
16	2025-05-01	52389791.929029440	37720650.188901190	75.9375096 A Tra	nsaction average uni	🛷 Vol	ume_upi	35	824420.0881907494	1
17	2025-06-01	52608082.728733730	37877819.564688290	76.1906346 A Inte	wast on loan uni	🛷 Rev	enue_from_POS_upi	20	829924.8098212732	1
18	2025-07-01	52827283.073436790	38035643.812874490	76.4446034 A LIPI	POS	& Cas	shFlowupi)0	835466.2869368505	1
19	2025-08-01	53047396.752909440	38194125.662094800	76.6994188	dictive param			40	841044.7649569185	1
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21	2025-10-01	53490379.354266210	38513073.135071665	77.2116004		• Test <u>v</u> a		re ellect sizes 70	852313.7135926441	1
22	2025-11-01	53713255.934908980	38673544.273134460	77.4689724	8	OK Paste Reset	Cancel Help	10	858004.6832844449	1
23	2025-12-01	53937061.167971100	38834684.040939190	77.7272023					863733.6520551252	1
24	2027-01-01	54161798.922837645	38996495.224443100	77.98629305945276	2.2296897929501527	1065.8459609841989	538776.86745201820	72.379676226385140	869500.8736277015	1
25	2027-02-01	54387473.085016130	39158980.621211610	78.24624736965094	2.2352640174325280	1070.2433296319360	530413.50104549170	73.827269750912850	875306.6034193197	1
26	2027-03-01	54614087.556203700	39322143.040466666	78.50706819421646	2.2408521774761088	1074.6587291530227	522179.95813710586	75.303815145931110	881151.0985525675	1
27	2027-04-01	54841646.254354550	39485985.303135280	78.76875842153052	2.2464543079197990	1079.0922327297540	514074.22349282070	76.809891448849740	887034.6178668610	1
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Step 4: Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) was conducted using SPSS in our study to uncover patterns, trends, and insights within the data, aiding in understanding the underlying structure and informing subsequent analysis decisions.



Step 5: ANOVA Test (Analysis of Variance)

ANOVA (Analysis of Variance) test analysis was conducted using SPSS in your project to assess statistical significance by comparing means of three or more groups. This helped determine if variations among groups were due to genuine differences or random chance, aiding informed decision-making.

		ANOVA				
		Sum of				
		Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Marketcard	Between Groups	6.210E+15	1	6.210E+15	190.454	<.001
	Within Groups	3.848E+15	118	3.261E+13		
	Total	1.006E+16	119			
Card_market	Between Groups	3.219E+15	1	3.219E+15	190.454	<.001
	Within Groups	1.995E+15	118	1.690E+13		
	Total	5.214E+15	119			
Card_Capex	Between Groups	5475.718	1	5475.718	357.781	<.001
	Within Groups	1805.952	118	15.305		
	Total	7281.670	119			
POScard	Between Groups	3.417	1	3.417	204.626	<.001
	Within Groups	1.970	118	.017		
	Total	5.387	119			
CashFlowcard	Between Groups	5075454.349	1	5075454.349	132.414	<.001
	Within Groups	4522965.748	118	38330.218		
	Total	9598420.098	119			
Revenue_from_POScar	Between Groups	4.833E+12	1	4.833E+12	170.612	<.001
d	Within Groups	3.343E+12	118	28327416846		
	Total	8.176E+12	119			
Interest_on_loancard	Between Groups	12.959	1	12.959	113.490	<.001
	Within Groups	13.474	118	.114		
	Total	26.432	119			
Marketupi	Between Groups	6.210E+15	1	6.210E+15	190.454	<.001
	Within Groups	3.848E+15	118	3.261E+13		
	Total	1.006E+16	119			
UPI_market	Between Groups	1.553E+13	1	1.553E+13	190.454	<.001
	Within Groups	9.619E+12	118	81518773055		
	Total	2.514E+13	119			
UPI_Capex	Between Groups	724.668	1	724.668	147.259	<.001
	Within Groups	580.682	118	4.921		
	Total	1305.350	119			
POS_upi	Between Groups	.452	1	.452	147.212	<.001
	Within Groups	.362	118	.003		
	Total	.814	119			
CashFlow_upi	Between Groups	5857064.652	1	5857064.652	136.034	<.001
	Within Groups	5080580.352	118	43055.766		
	Total	10937645.005	119			
Interest_on_loanupi	Between Groups	23.428	1	23.428	136.034	<.001
	Within Groups	20.322	118	.172		
	Total	43.751	119			
UPI_POS	Between Groups	.000	1	.000	183.661	<.001
	Within Groups	.000	118	.000		
	Total	.001	119			

6. Conclusion

The configuration manual describes the process followed for testing the UPI hypothesis use case in the context of Irelands economy. Further the potential reduction of transaction charges however without further increasing the available bank interest rate or decreasing the existing cashflow. Further the proposed UPI not able increases the cash influx but also increases the possibility of faster economic growth prospect keeping the correct form of credit and cash inflow in the market.