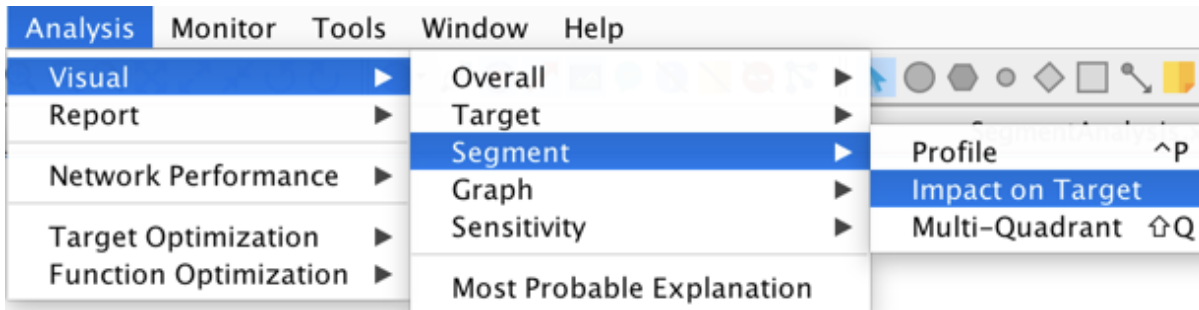


Impact on Target (8.0)

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Impact

This new feature allows comparing a segment with a selected benchmark (either the entire data set, or another segment). The comparison is done in terms of **Impacts**, a term combining the difference of the observable variables' mean values and their effect on the Target node.

The Impact I for each observable variable V is computed as follow:

$$I_{s \rightarrow b}^V = (\bar{v}_s - \bar{v}_b) E_b^V$$

where:

s is the analyzed segment,

b is the benchmark,

\bar{v} is the mean value of V on the data set defined by the segment or the benchmark,

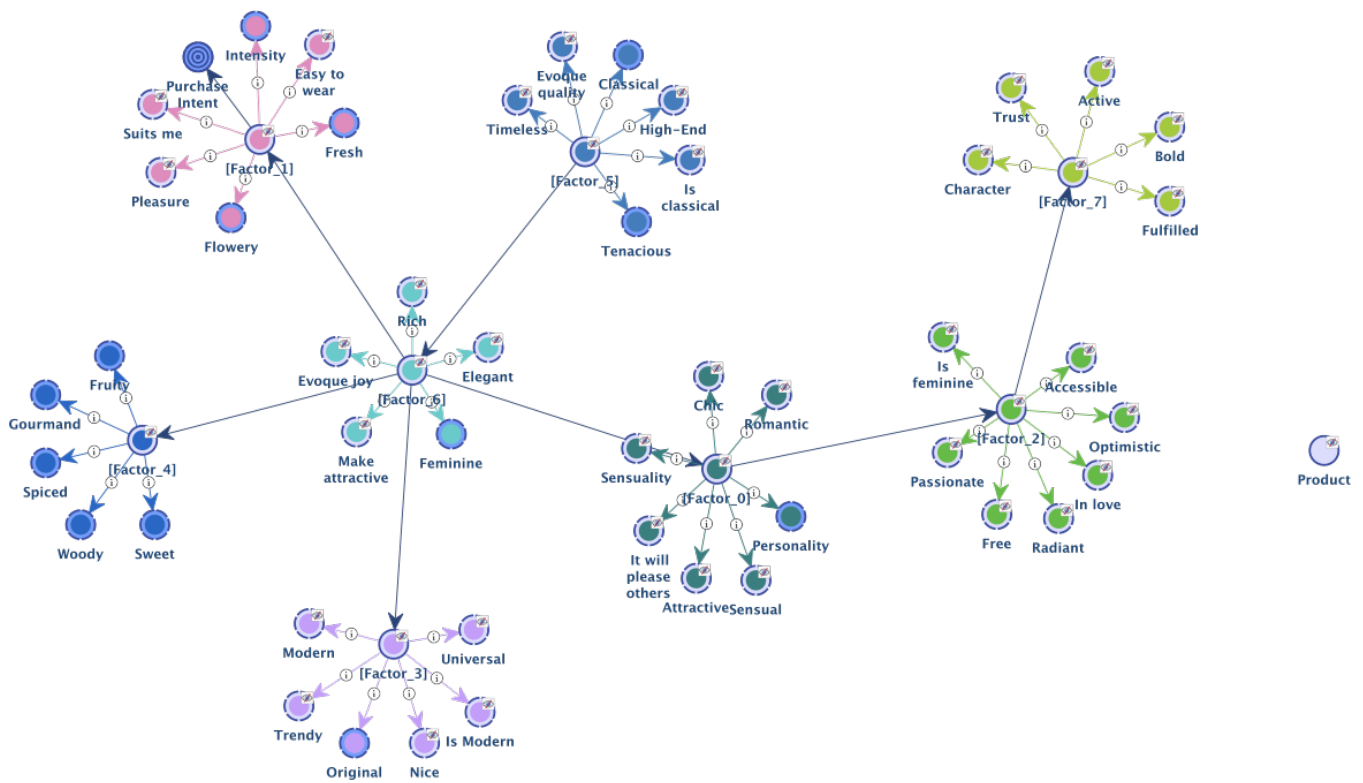
E_b^V is the effect of V on the Target node, evaluated on the benchmark.

Four types of effects are available:

- Total Effect,
- Standardized Total Effect,
- Direct Effect,
- Standardized Direct Effect.

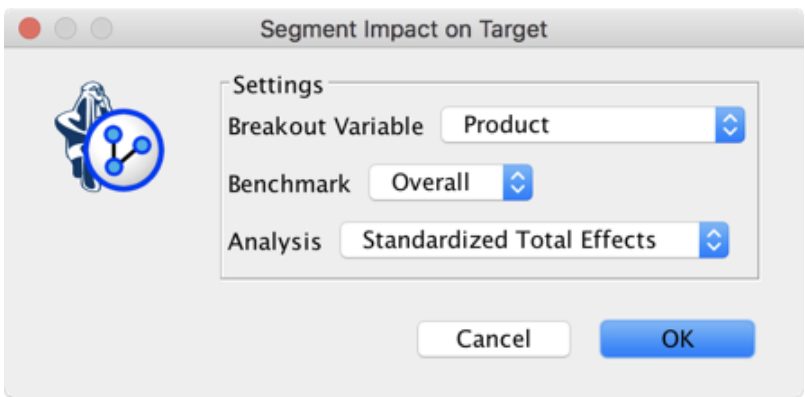
Example

Let's take the **Perfume** example for which we have defined five segments with the **Breakout Variable** *Product*, namely *Prod3*, *Prod4*, *ProdG1*, *ProdG5* and *Prod G6*.



Below is the table with the **Standardized Total Effects** of all the observable variables on *Purchase Intent*, and the mean values of these variables, computed on the entire data set, and on the segment represented by *Prod3*. These figures allows computing the **Impacts** of each variable.

Observable Variables	Standardized Total Effect (Overall)	Mean Value (Overall)	Mean Value (Prod3)	Delta	Impact
Fresh	0.56	6.61	6.40	-0.21	-0.12
Feminine	0.53	7.25	6.80	-0.45	-0.24
Flowery	0.43	6.89	6.82	-0.08	-0.03
Original	0.42	5.96	5.47	-0.50	-0.21
Personality	0.41	6.36	5.65	-0.71	-0.29
Gourmand	0.37	6.13	5.68	-0.45	-0.17
Sweet	0.35	6.12	5.64	-0.48	-0.17
Fruity	0.34	6.41	6.07	-0.34	-0.12
Tenacious	0.34	6.49	5.59	-0.90	-0.31
Classical	0.30	6.10	6.13	0.04	0.01
Spiced	0.21	4.72	4.22	-0.50	-0.10
Woody	0.20	4.91	4.70	-0.21	-0.04
Intensity	-0.16	3.07	2.96	-0.11	0.02



Prod3

Prod4

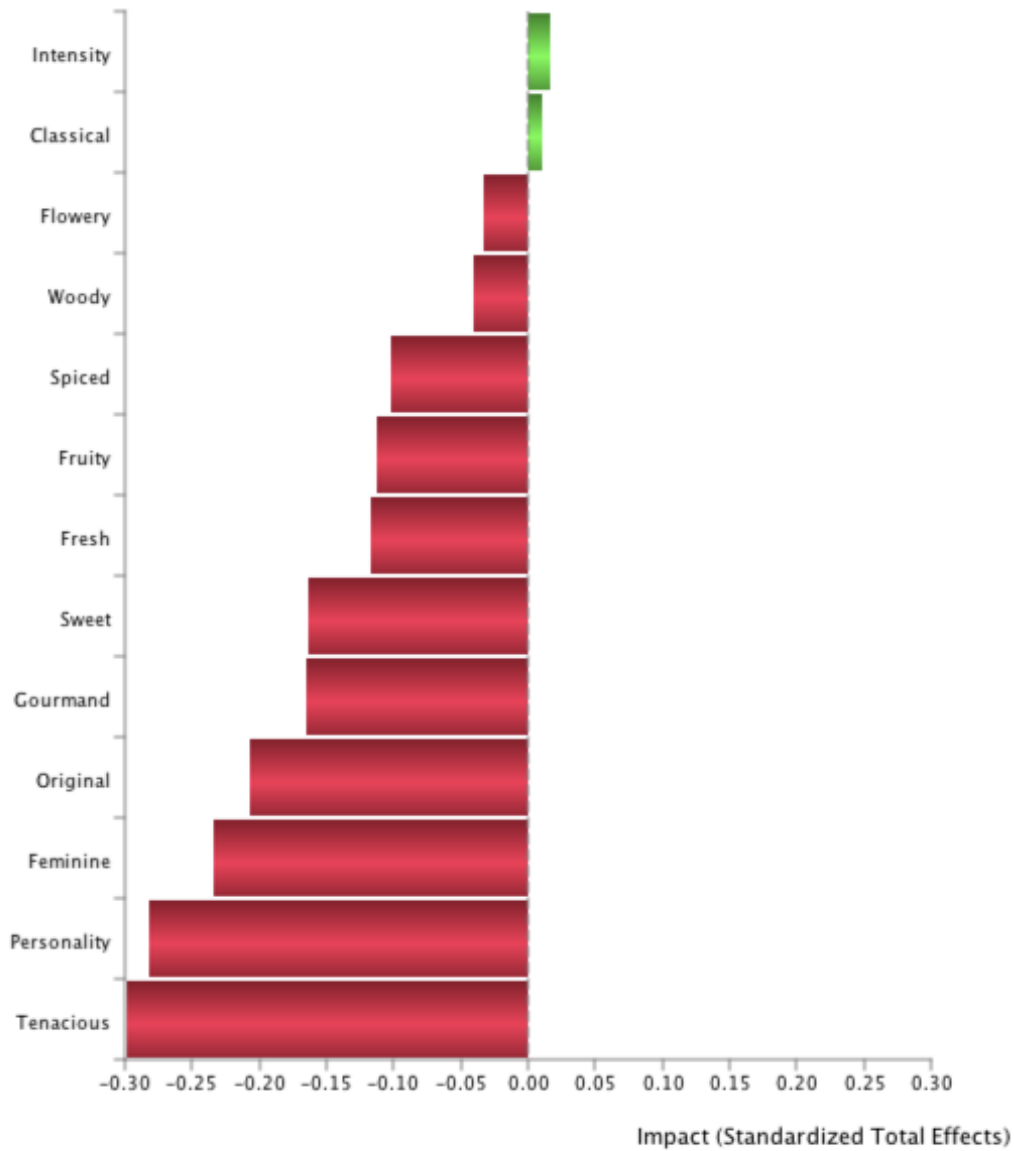
ProdG1

ProdG5

ProdG6

Node:
Impact:
■ BEST:
■ NHST t-test:

Prod3 vs Overall: Impact on Purchase Intent



Null Value Assessment

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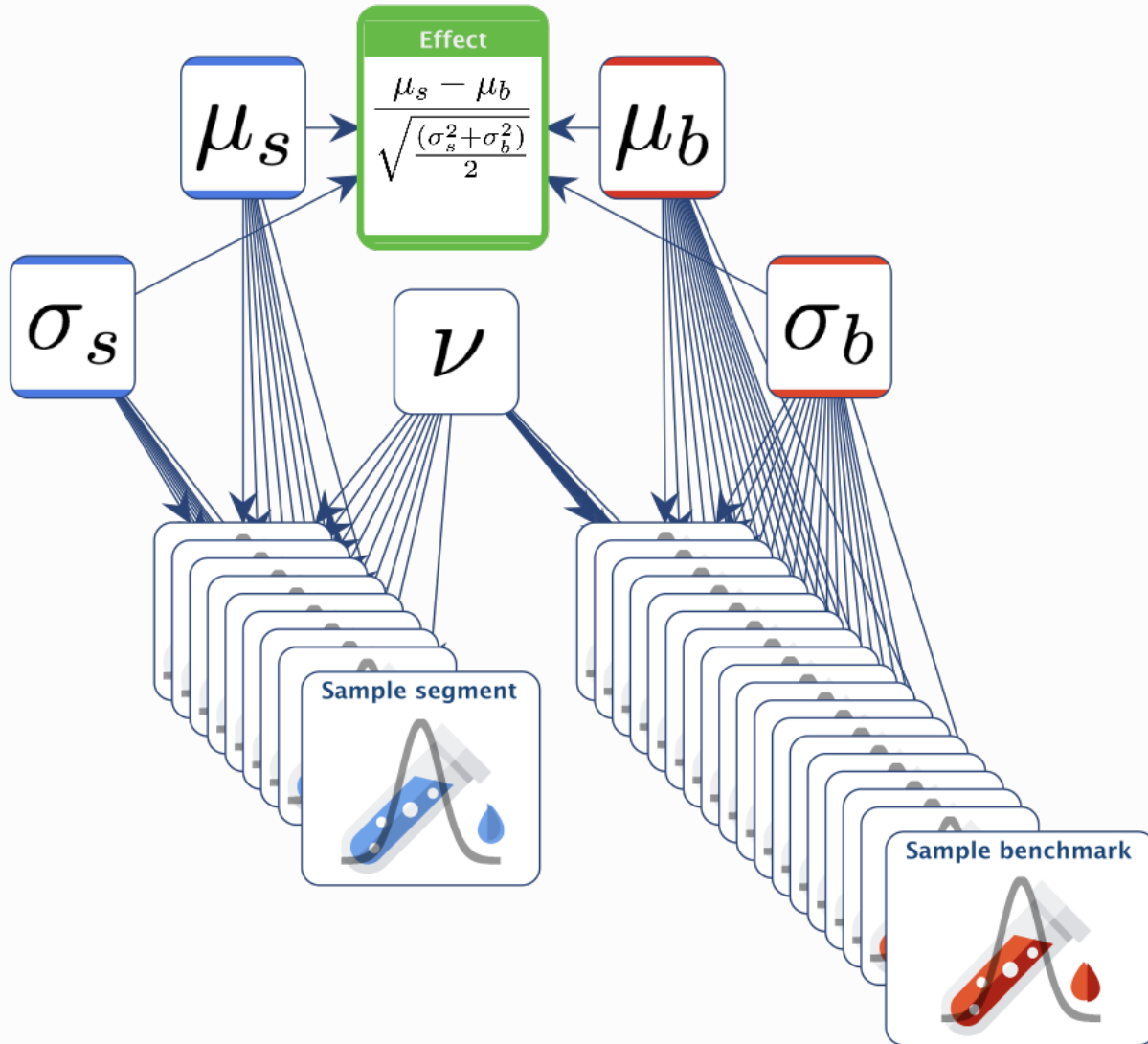
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Null Value Assessment

This option allows estimating if the segment and benchmark mean values are significantly different. Two tests are proposed for answering this question:

- a Frequentist one, **NHST t-test**, the Null Hypothesis Significance Testing with the Welch's two-sample, two tailed t-test, and
- a Bayesian one, **BEST**, described in the paper by John K. Kruschke, "Bayesian Estimation Supersedes the t-test", Journal of Experimental Psychology: General, 2013.

i Below is the Bayesian network used in the **BEST** approach. We are assuming that the samples follow a Student's t-distribution. The segment and the benchmark have their own μ and σ , but they share the same ν .



i The default **Confidence Level** has been set to 95%. This is the same for both tests.

As for the Bayesian test, the **Region of Practical Equivalence (ROPE)** on the **Effect** size around the null value has been set by default to [-0.1, 0.1].

The null value is declared to be rejected if the 95% **Highest Density Interval (HDI)** falls completely outside the **ROPE**.



You can use the **Preferences**  to modify:

- the confidence level (for both the t-test and BEST),
- the **Monte Carlo Markov Chain** parameters that are used for inference in the Bayesian network described above,
- the ROPE size that defines an interval centered at 0, i.e. 0.2 defines the interval [-0.1, 0.1].

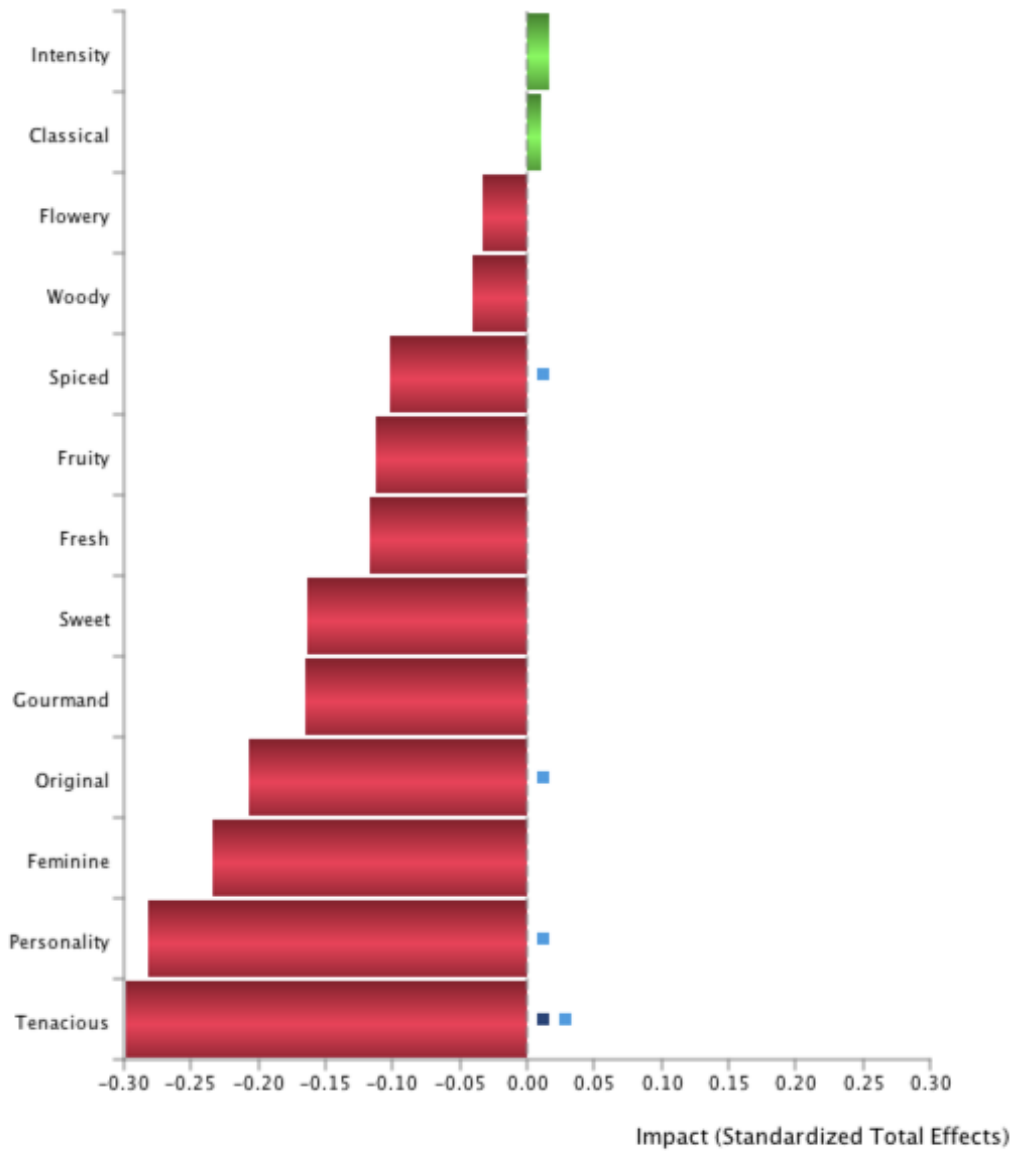
Example

Checking **Null Value Assessment** triggers the computation of both tests.

Prod3 Prod4 ProdG1 ProdG5 ProdG6

Node:
Impact:
■ BEST:
■ NHST t-test:

Prod3 vs Overall: Impact on Purchase Intent



Null Value Assessment

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When the mean values are estimated as significantly different, a square is added next to the Impact bar:

-  for t-test
-  for BEST