

Data Cleaning & Preprocessing Report — E-Commerce Dataset

The dataset contains order-level transaction details including customer, product, region, pricing, and profitability information. Columns include: Order ID, Order Date, Customer Name, Region, City, Category, Sub-Category, Product Name, Quantity, Unit Price, Discount, Sales, Profit, and Payment Mode.

Issue Type	Column(s)	Problem Description	Action Taken
Missing Values	None	Dataset contained no null values	Verified with <code>df.isnull().sum()</code>
Duplicates	Entire rows	Some duplicate transactions possible	Checked & dropped duplicates
Data Type Mismatch	Order Date, numeric fields	Order Date converted to proper datetime and standardized	Standardized
Text Inconsistency	Category, Sub-Category, City, Region	Varied in casing or spacing	Standardized using <code>.str.title()</code>
Outliers	Quantity, Sales, Profit	Negative or unrealistic values	Removed
Derived Features	—	Needed more analytical fields	Created Total Revenue, Month, Year

New Columns Created:

- **Total Revenue** = Quantity × Unit Price × (1 – Discount)
- **Month** = Extracted from Order Date
- **Year** = Extracted from Order Date

Assumptions / Limitations:

- Negative sales or profit were treated as errors and removed.
- Discount was assumed to be between 0 and 1.
- No customer demographic data was included for segmentation.

Summary of Key Insights:

- Dataset is fully clean, consistent, and analysis-ready.
- Total Revenue enables profit and sales comparisons.
- Month/Year fields allow trend and seasonal analysis.
- Data integrity is strong, supporting dashboards and predictive analytics.