1. Understanding the Dataset

The dataset contains the following columns:

• **Invoice Number**: Identifies a transaction.

• Stock Code: Product ID.

• **Description**: Product description.

• Quantity: Number of items purchased.

• Invoice Date: Date of the transaction.

• Unit Price: Price of one product.

• Customer ID: Identifies the customer.

• **Country**: Country where the transaction occurred.

We will use this data to recommend products based on customer behavior, such as frequent purchases or associations between products.

2. Project Overview

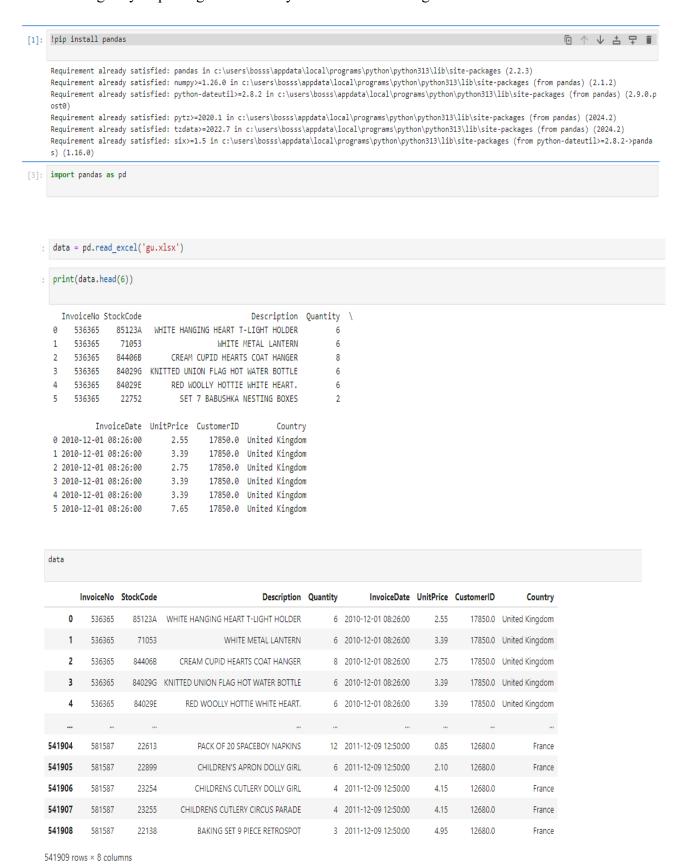
The goal is to build a recommendation system. Here are the two main types of recommendation systems:

- Collaborative Filtering: Based on user-item interactions (e.g., customers who bought X also bought Y).
- Content-Based Filtering: Based on product attributes (e.g., similar descriptions).

For this project, we'll likely focus on **Collaborative Filtering** since we're working with transaction data.

3. Loading the Data

You'll begin by importing the necessary libraries and loading the dataset.



4. Data Preprocessing

- **Handling Missing Values**: Check for any missing values and handle them accordingly.
- **Data Formatting**: Ensure the data is in the correct format for analysis.
- Duplicate Removal: You may also want to remove duplicate entries, if any.

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print(data.isnull().sum())
InvoiceNo
                 0
StockCode
                 0
Description 1454
Quantity
                 0
InvoiceDate
                 0
UnitPrice
           135080
CustomerID
Country
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data = data.dropna(subset=['CustomerID'])
data['InvoiceDate'] = pd.to_datetime(data['InvoiceDate'])
```

5. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Before building the recommendation system, it's essential to understand the data. Analyze aspects such as:

- Most popular products.
- Products frequently bought together.

```
: # Most frequently purchased products
  popular products = data.groupby('Description')['Quantity'].sum().sort values(ascending=False).head(10)
  print(popular_products)
  Description
  WORLD WAR 2 GLIDERS ASSTD DESIGNS 53215
  JUMBO BAG RED RETROSPOT
                                      45066
  ASSORTED COLOUR BIRD ORNAMENT
                                     35314
  WHITE HANGING HEART T-LIGHT HOLDER 34147
  PACK OF 72 RETROSPOT CAKE CASES
                                      33409
  POPCORN HOLDER
                                      30504
  RABBIT NIGHT LIGHT
                                      27094
  MINI PAINT SET VINTAGE
                                     25880
  PACK OF 12 LONDON TISSUES
                                      25321
  PACK OF 60 PINK PAISLEY CAKE CASES 24163
  Name: Quantity, dtype: int64
```

6. Building the Recommendation System

We can now move on to the recommendation system. Here's how to build it:

Step 1: Create a User-Item Matrix

This matrix will show the quantity of each product purchased by each customer.

```
# Create the user-item matrix
user_item_matrix = data.pivot_table(index='CustomerID', columns='Description', values='Quantity', aggfunc='sum', fill_val
print(user_item_matrix.head())
Description 10 COLOUR SPACEBOY PEN 12 COLOURED PARTY BALLOONS \
CustomerID
12346.0
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12347.0
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Description 12 DAISY PEGS IN WOOD BOX 12 EGG HOUSE PAINTED WOOD \
CustomerID
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Description 12 HANGING EGGS HAND PAINTED 12 IVORY ROSE PEG PLACE SETTINGS \
CustomerID
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Description 12 MESSAGE CARDS WITH ENVELOPES 12 PENCIL SMALL TUBE WOODLAND \
CustomerID
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Description 12 PENCILS SMALL TUBE RED RETROSPOT 12 PENCILS SMALL TUBE SKULL \
CustomerID
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Description ... ZINC STAR T-LIGHT HOLDER ZINC SWEETHEART SOAP DISH \
CustomerID ...
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12350.0
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```

Step 2: Apply Collaborative Filtering

We'll use Cosine Similarity or another metric to measure the similarity between customers.

```
from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine similarity
# Compute the cosine similarity between customers
customer_similarity = cosine_similarity(user_item_matrix)
# Convert the matrix to a DataFrame
customer_similarity_df = pd.DataFrame(customer_similarity, index=user_item_matrix.index, columns=user_item_matrix.index)
print(customer similarity df.head())
CustomerID 12346.0 12347.0 12348.0 12349.0 12350.0 12352.0 \
          0.0 1.000000 0.148879 0.020750 0.014435 0.034833
          0.0 0.148879 1.000000 0.000169 0.000315 0.001578
          0.0 0.020750 0.000169 1.000000 0.030121 0.072258
12350.0 0.0 0.014435 0.000315 0.030121 1.000000 0.001938
CustomerID 12353.0 12354.0 12355.0 12356.0 ... 18273.0 18274.0 \
CustomerID
           0.0 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 ...
12346.0
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           0.0 0.022843 0.506252 0.186107 ...
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12349.0 0.0 0.004931 0.000180 0.150819 ... 0.0
12350.0 0.0 0.000000 0.000000 0.001179 ... 0.0
CustomerID 18276.0 18277.0 18278.0 18280.0 18281.0 18282.0 \
CustomerID
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12347.0 0.407060 -0.001245 0.015133 0.037236 0.0 0.011921
12349.0 0.000000 -0.000344 0.015680 0.000000 0.0 0.014689
CustomerID 18283.0 18287.0
12346.0 0.000000 0.000000
12347.0 0.075476 0.108942
12348.0 0.177440 0.110096
12349.0 0.038343 0.005644
12350.0 0.021421 0.000000
[5 rows x 4372 columns]
```

Step 3: Recommend Products

For a given customer, we can recommend products based on what similar customers have purchased.

```
def recommend_products(customer_id, user_item_matrix, customer_similarity_df, n_recommendations=5):
      # Get the similar customers
     similar_customers = customer_similarity_df[customer_id].sort_values(ascending=False).index[1:]
     # Get products bought by similar customers
     similar_customer_products = user_item_matrix.loc[similar_customers].sum(axis=0)
     # Recommend products not already purchased by the target customer
      products_already_bought = user_item_matrix.loc[customer_id][user_item_matrix.loc[customer_id] > 0].index
     recommendations = similar_customer_products.drop(products_already_bought).sort_values(ascending=False).head(n_recommendations)
      return recommendations
  # Example: Recommend products for Customer ID 12345
  recommendations = recommend_products(12567, user_item_matrix, customer_similarity_df)
  print(recommendations)
 Description
 WORLD WAR 2 GLIDERS ASSTD DESIGNS 53215
 WHITE HANGING HEART T-LIGHT HOLDER 34147
 POPCORN HOLDER
                                     30504
 PACK OF 12 LONDON TISSUES
                                    25321
 PACK OF 60 PINK PAISLEY CAKE CASES 24163
```

7. Further Improvements

- **Optimization**: Use more advanced collaborative filtering techniques, like matrix factorization (e.g., SVD).
- **Hybrid Approach**: Combine content-based and collaborative filtering for better accuracy.

8. Final Steps

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- Test the system with various customer IDs.
- Save the project code and results in a PDF format as per the submission requirements.

Once you've completed the coding part, generate a report summarizing your approach, key

findings, and results.