Project Report

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| Project Name | Project – Retail Store Stock Inventory Analytics |

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Project Overview

This project aims to create a retail store stock inventory analytics analytical dashboard for controlling the inventory system of any organisation. Utilizing technology, the inventory analytics dashboard is proposed to control the organization's stock. This system can be used to store inventory information, maintain stock levels, update inventory depending on sales information, and provide sales and inventory reports on a daily or weekly basis. With this system, we are resolving several issues that have an impact on direct sales management and purchasing management. A major retail store may run out of an essential item if inventory is not properly maintained.

1.2. Purpose

The basic goal of inventory management is to make it simple and effective for organisations to order, stock, store, and use inventory. You'll always be aware of the things you have on hand, their quantity, and location if you manage your inventory well.

You can understand how you use your inventory—and how demand changes for it—over time by engaging in strong inventory management. You may focus on what you really need, what is unnecessary, and what is just a waste of money. By the way, inventory control involves striking a balance between keeping enough inventory on hand to meet demand at all times and minimising the cost of ordering and carrying goods.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

2.1. Existing Solutions

- [1] Retailers are faced with a dilemma where neither an excess of inventory on hand nor a running out of stock is negotiable as the retail sector becomes increasingly highly competitive and narrowly profitable. A thorough analysis of important inventory management strategies that have historically been employed by retailers on a large scale. The trade-off between shortage cost and overage cost is identified in the paper as the fundamental issue with inventory management. Once more, the "performance frontier" graph shows that introducing innovative is a practical way to change the efficiency curve. BDA is that innovative in this scenario. The research identifies opportunities for incorporating BDA into traditional inventory management methods and boosting the applicability and feasibility of these models in the big-data environment.
- [2] To identify the primary trends and indicators of inventory management in Small and Medium-sized Enterprises, a systematic literature study was conducted (SMEs). The five-year study period between 2015 and 2019 mainly focuses on the retail industry. The main findings of this study include the top inventory control and management models, the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for managing them

correctly, and the advantages and difficulties of selecting or implementing an effective system.

[3] This paper provides an overview of business intelligence, details its primary technologies, and discusses the development and use of business intelligence systems in the retail sector. The system's essential components are business subject and dimension design, ETL tool design, data display middleware design, and the primary innovation.

2.2. References

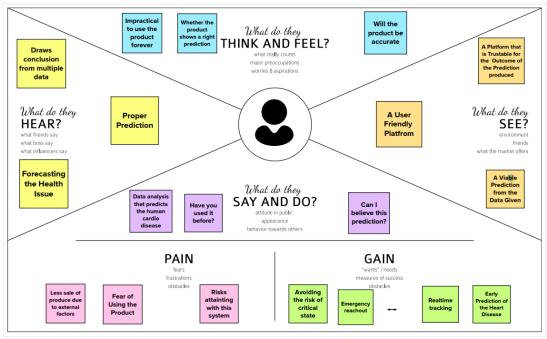
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- [3] Gang, Tong & Kai, Cui & Bei, Song. (2008). The Research & Application of Business Intelligence System in Retail Industry. 87 91. 10.1109/ICAL.2008.4636125.

2.3. Problem Statement Definition

Having excess inventory poses several significant business and operational problems for retailers. Excess inventory means the company or store ordered more inventory than was demanded. Too much inventory means working capital costs, operational costs and a complex operation, lack of inventory leads to lost sales, unhappy customers and a damaged brand. Lack of inventory leads to the lost sales and also having excess inventory provides problems for the retailers. So, we have to keep track of the inventory. The retailer should know the how much inventory he can carry.

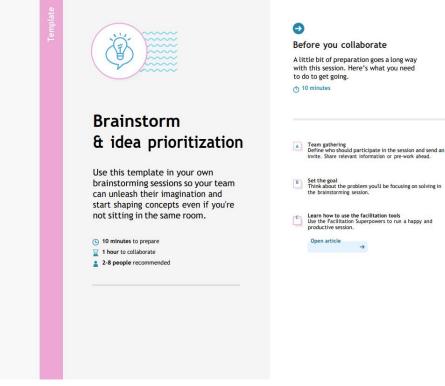
3. IDEATION & PROPOSED SOLUTION

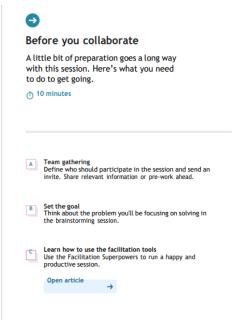
3.1. Empathy Map Canvas



3.2. Ideation & Brainstorming

• Team Gathering, Collaboration and Select the Problem Statement





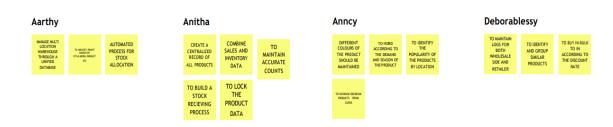


Brainstorm, Idea Listing and Grouping

Brainstorm

Write down any ideas that come to mind that address your problem statement.

10 minutes

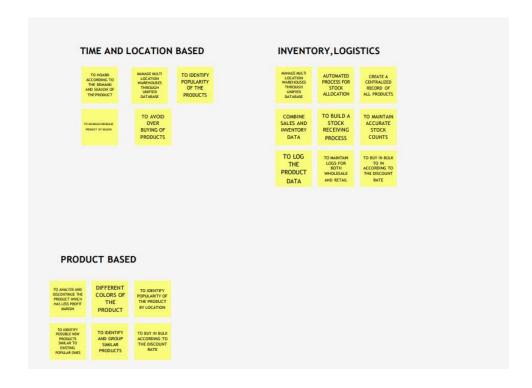




Group ideas

Take turns sharing your ideas while clustering similar or related notes as you go. Once all sticky notes have been grouped, give each cluster a sentence-like label. If a cluster is bigger than six sticky notes, try and see if you and break it up into smaller sub-groups.

(†) 20 minutes



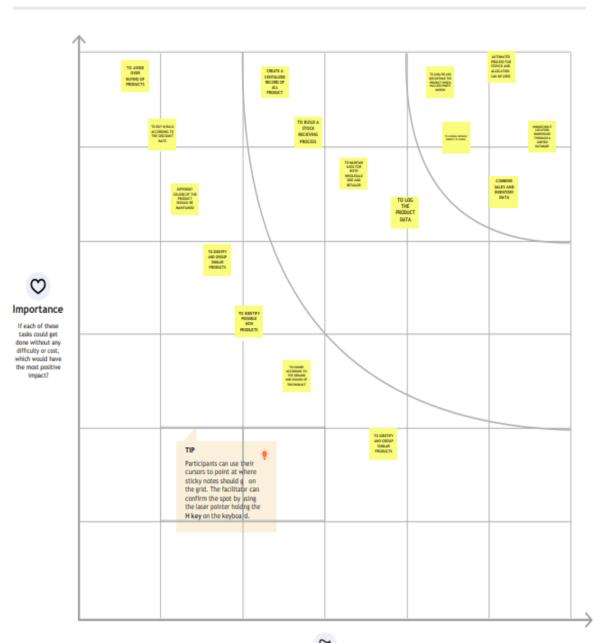
• Idea Prioritization



Prioritize

Your team should all be on the same page about what's important moving forward. Place your ideas on this grid to determine which ideas are important and which are feasible.

→ 20 minutes





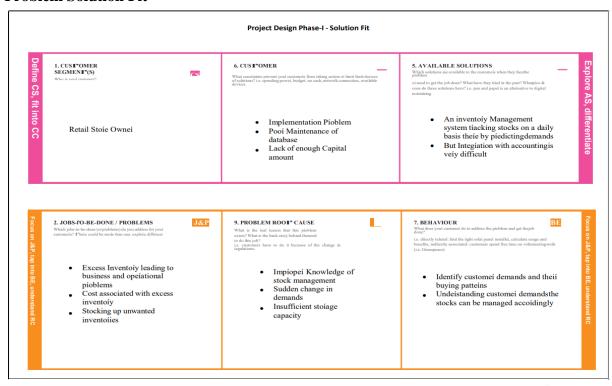
Regardless of their importance, which tasks are more feasible than others? (Cost, time, effort, complexity, etc.)

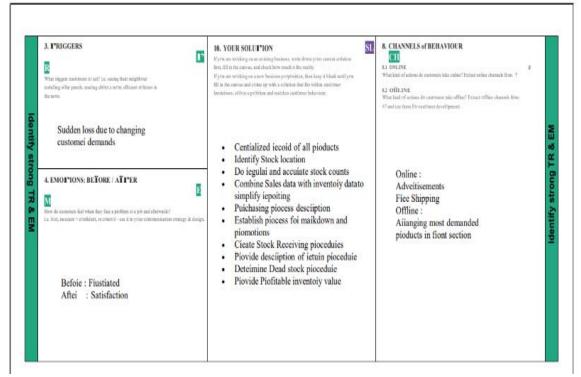
3.3. Proposed Solution

| S.No. | Parameter | Description |
|-------|--|--|
| 1. | Problem Statement (Problem to be solved) | Having excess inventory poses several significant business and operational problems for retailers. Excess inventory means the company or store ordered more inventory thanwas demanded. Most businesses are burdenedwith the costs associated with carrying extra inventory, therefore, short-term forecasting is so important in the retail and consumer goods industry. So analysis and Visualization of stocksshould be done to prevent the loss of retailers and proper management of store. |
| 2. | Idea / Solution description | Effective retail inventory analytics results in lower costs and a better understanding of salespatterns. Using Cognos analytics tools information like, 1. Product locations 2. Quantities of each product type 3. Which stock sells well and which doesn't, by location and sales channel. 4. Profit margin by style, model, productline or item 5. Ideal amount of inventory to have inback stock and storage 6. How many products to reorder andhow often 7. When to discontinue a product 8. How changing seasons affect sales Can be analysed which help them increasing profits while avoiding overstock and minimizing expenses |
| 3. | Novelty / Uniqueness | A Dashboard for centralized record of all theproducts will be created which involves all necessary details of the product. By doing sothe understanding of stocks will be effective thereby increasing the profit of retailers |

| 4. | Social Impact / Customer Satisfaction | Good inventory management allows businessesto answer the questions of their customers about the product, which could lead them to purchase the item. Having visibility of the activities of your inventory gives customer support the data they need |
|----|--|--|
| 5. | Business Model (Revenue Model) | Step 1: Create a centralized record of allproducts Step 2: Identify Stock location Step 3: Do regular and accurate stock counts Step 4: Combine Sales data with inventory datato simplify reporting Step 5: Purchasing process description Step 6: Establish process for markdown andpromotions Step 7: Create Stock Receiving procedures Step 8: Provide description of return procedure Step 9: Determine Dead stock procedure Step 10: Provide Profitable inventory value |
| 6. | Scalability of the Solution | This project aims at small retail store owners for managing their sales and profit of the store. Through this methodology retail store owners can manage stocks effectively thereby reducingloss and increasing profit through proper management and provide customer satisfaction |

3.4. Problem Solution Fit





4. REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

4.1. Functional Requirement

| FR | Functional Requirement | Sub Requirement (Story / Sub-Task) |
|------|------------------------|---|
| No. | (Epic) | |
| FR-1 | User Registration | Registration through Form |
| | | Registration through Gmail |
| | | Registration through LinkedIn |
| | | |
| FR-2 | User Confirmation | Confirmation via Email |
| | | Confirmation via OTP |
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| FR-3 | User Login | Login using User id |
| | | Login using Email |
| | | Login using Password |
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| FR-4 | Stock management | Adding or Removing stocks based on the users |
| | | needs. |
| | | Analyse the stock details periodically. |
| | | Generate different barcodes for different |
| | | products. |
| FR-5 | Billing | Billing will be made easier through barcodes. |
| | | Receipt Generation. |
| FR-6 | Review | Customer can give reviews on the product. |

4.2. Non-Functional Requirement

| FR | Non-Functional Requirement | Description |
|-------|----------------------------|---|
| No. | | |
| NFR-1 | Usability | An analytics platform helps you understand your customers. It allows you to save on costs. It helps you improve your store's indoor conditions. |
| NFR-2 | Security | Protecting digital information from unauthorized access, corruption, or theft throughout its entire lifecycle. |
| NFR-3 | Reliability | Prevents from loss. Helps in stock prediction. |
| NFR-4 | Performance | The solution offers lower request time for any request processed. Receipt Generation. |

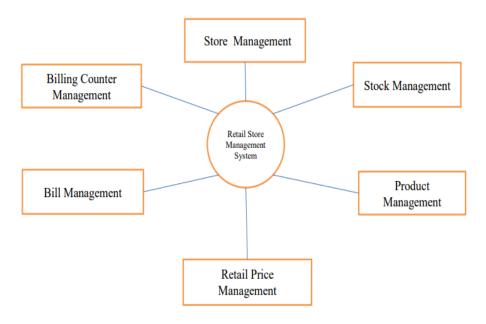
| NFR-5 | Availability | Can be used by both retailers and customers for all devices. The solution understands the request made to server to provide efficient results by prioritizing the request made and load balancing. |
|-------|--------------|--|
| NFR-6 | Scalability | Proposed solution offers higher compatibility with any kinds of working environment. Easier for disk space management and obtaining results. Works with lesser down time when new functional are being tested and added to solution. |

5. PROJECT DESIGN

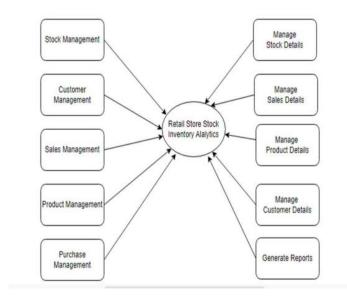
5.1. Data Flow Diagram

Project Planning Phase II Data Flow Diagram

Zero Level DFD:



First Level DFD:



5.2. Solution & Technical Architecture

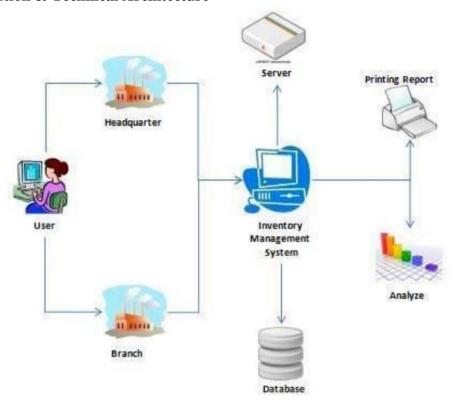


Table-1: Components & Technologies:

| S. No | Component | Description | Technology |
|-------|----------------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| 1. | Frontend - Dashboard | User Interacts with the application | HTML, CSS & JavaScript |
| 2. | Backend - Database | Database Service on Cloud | IBM cloud |
| 3. | Application Logic | Logic for the process in the application | Python |
| 4. | File Storage | Storage of file requirements | IBM object Storage |
| 5. | Infrastructure (Server/Cloud) | Application deployment on cloud | IBM Cloud, Kubernetes |
| 6. | Notification system | Sends email to alert retailer for critical stock | SendGrid |
| 7. | Data Visualization | The data is visualized into different forms | IBM Cognos Analytics, Python |

5.3. User Stories

| User Type | Functional Requireme nt (Epic) | User Story Num ber | User Story / Task | Acceptance criteria | Priority | Release |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|----------|----------|
| Customer - Mobile User | Registration | USN- 1 | As a user, I can register for the application by entering my email, password, and confirming my password. | | High | Sprint-1 |
| | | USN- 2 | As a user, I will receive confirmation email once I have registered | I can receive confirmation email & click confirm | High | Sprint-1 |

| User Type | Functional Requireme nt (Epic) | User Story Num ber | User Story / Task | Acceptance criteria | Priority | Release |
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| | | | for the application | | | |
| | | USN-3 | As a user, I can register for the application through Google | I can register & access the dashboard with Google Login | Low | Sprint-2 |
| | | USN- 4 | As a user, I can register for the application through Gmail | I can register application through Gmail | Medium | Sprint-1 |

| | ogin | USN- 5 | As a user, I can log into the application by entering email & password | I can login to the application using email & password | High | Sprint-1 |
|---|----------------------|------------|---|---|--------|----------|
| | Dashboard | USN- | As a user, I can view the dashboard and perform analysis | I can access the dashboard | High | Sprint-2 |
| \ | View Stocks | USN- | As a user, I can view the products | I can access the product details | High | Sprint-2 |
| | Search Stocks | USN- 8 | As a user, I can search the products | | Medium | Sprint-2 |
| | Add/Delete Stocks | USN- 9 | As a user, I can add/delete products | I can update the products. | High | Sprint-3 |
| | nvoice Generation | USN- 10 | As a user, I can generate invoice calculating taxes, discount and calculate credits | I can generate the invoice | High | Sprint-4 |
| | Report Generation | USN- 11 | As a user, I can generate reports based on product sales | I can generate report | High | Sprint-3 |
| | Stock Prediction | USN- 12 | As a user, I can predict out of stock | | High | Sprint-4 |

| User Type | Functional Requireme nt (Epic) | User Story Num ber | User Story / Task | Acceptance criteria | Priority | Release |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------|----------|----------|
| | | | | | | |
| Customer – Web User | Registration | USN- 1 | As a user, I can register for the application by entering my email, password, and confirming my password. | | High | Sprint-1 |

| | | USN- 2 | As a user, I will receive confirmation email once I have registered for the application | I can receive confirmation email & click confirm | High | Sprint-1 |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|----------|----------|
| | | USN- | As a user, I can register for the application through Google | I can register & access the dashboard with Google Login | Low | Sprint-2 |
| | | USN- 4 | As a user, I can register for the application through Gmail | I can register application through Gmail | Medium | Sprint-1 |
| | Login | USN- 5 | As a user, I can log into the application by entering email & password | I can login to the application using email & password | High | Sprint-1 |
| | Dashboard | USN- | As a user, I can view the dashboard and perform analysis | I can access the dashboard | High | Sprint-2 |
| | View Stocks | USN- | As a user, I can view the products | I can access the product details | High | Sprint-2 |
| | Search Stocks | USN- 8 | As a user, I can search the products | | Medium | Sprint-2 |
| | Add/Delete Stocks | USN- 9 | As a user, I can add/delete products | I can update the products. | High | Sprint-3 |
| User Type | Functional Requireme nt (Epic) | User Story Num ber | User Story / Task | Acceptance criteria | Priority | Release |
| | Invoice Generation | USN- 10 | As a user, I can generate invoice calculating taxes, discount and calculate credits | I can generate the invoice | High | Sprint-4 |

| Report | USN- | As a user, I can | I can generate | High | Sprint-3 |
|------------|------|------------------|----------------|------|----------|
| Generation | 11 | generate reports | report | | |
| | | based on | | | |
| | | product sales | | | |
| Stock | USN- | As a user, I can | | High | Sprint-4 |
| Prediction | 12 | predict out of | | | |
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6. PROJECT PLANNING & SCHEDULING

6.1. Sprint Planning & Estimation

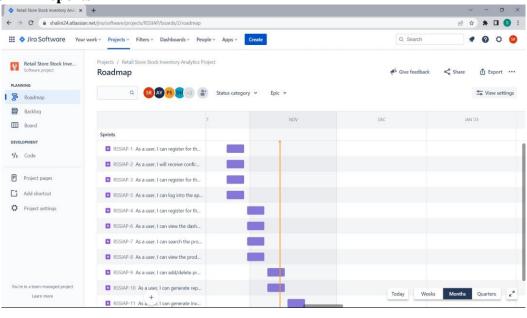
| Sprint | Functional Requirement (Epic) | User Story Number | User Story / Task | Story Points | Priority | Team Members |
|----------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------|----------|-------------------|
| Sprint-1 | Registration | USN-1 | As a user, I can register for the application by entering my email, password, and confirming my password. | 2 | High | AARTHY, ANITHA |
| Sprint-1 | Confirmation | USN-2 | As a user, I will receive confirmation email once I have registered for the application | 1 | High | AARTHY, ANITHA |
| Sprint-1 | Registration through Gmail | USN-4 | As a user, I can register for the application through Gmail | 2 | Medium | AARTHY, ANITHA |
| Sprint-1 | Login | USN-5 | As a user, I can log into the application by entering my email & password | 1 | High | AARTHY, ANITHA |
| Sprint-2 | Dashboard | USN-6 | As a user, I can view my dashboard and can perform stock prediction and analysis | 3 | High | ANNCY, DEBORAH |
| Sprint-2 | View Stocks | USN-7 | As a user, I can view the list of categorized products and their details | 4 | High | ANNCY, DEBORAH |

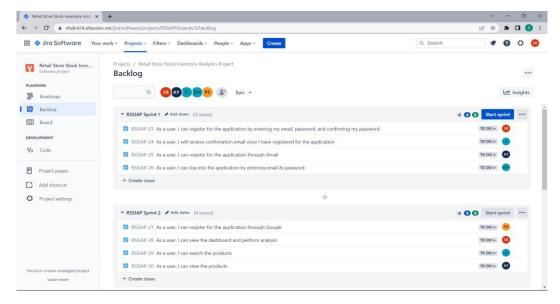
| Sprint-2 | Insights generation | USN-8 | As a user, I can able to collect more insights From the dashboard. | 2 | Medium | ANNCY, DEBORAH |
|----------|------------------------|--------|--|---|--------|--------------------|
| Sprint-3 | Report generation | USN-9 | As a user, I can generate reports based on product sales | 5 | High | AARTHY, DEBORAH |
| Sprint-3 | Stock Prediction | USN-10 | As a user, I can predict out-of-stock and less stock for a product | 5 | High | AARTHY, DEBORAH |
| Sprint-4 | Notification system | USN-11 | As a user, I can view notifications for expired and out of stock product | 4 | High | ANITHA, ANNCY |
| Sprint-4 | Re-Ordering stock | USN-12 | As a user I can reorder stocks based on predictions and notification | 3 | High | ANITHA, ANNCY |
| Sprint-2 | Updating stock | USN-13 | As a user I can add/delete products | 5 | High | ANNCY, DEBORAH |
| Sprint-4 | Invoice generation | USN-14 | As a user I can generate invoice calculating taxes, discount and calculate credits | 4 | High | ANITHA, ANNCY |
| Sprint-4 | Discount system | USN-15 | As a user I can provide discount based on credit points | 3 | Medium | ANITHA, ANNCY |

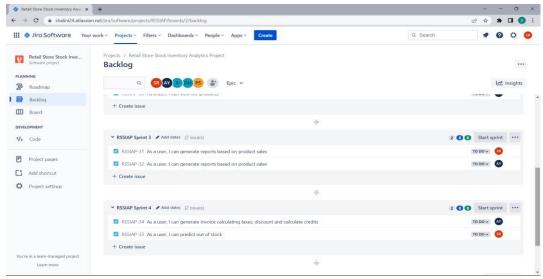
6.2. Sprint Delivery Schedule

| Sprint | Total Story Points | Duration | Sprint Start Date | Sprint End Date (Planned) | Story Points Completed (as on Planned End Date) | Sprint Release Date (Actual) |
|----------|--------------------------|----------|----------------------|---------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Sprint-1 | 6 | 6 Days | 25 Oct 2022 | 29 Oct 2022 | 6 | 30 Oct 2022 |
| Sprint-2 | 16 | 6 Days | 31 Oct 2022 | 05 Nov 2022 | 16 | 05 Nov 2022 |
| Sprint-3 | 10 | 6 Days | 07 Nov 2022 | 12 Nov 2022 | 10 | 12 Nov 2022 |
| Sprint-4 | 14 | 6 Days | 14 Nov 2022 | 20 Nov 2022 | 14 | 20 Nov 2022 |

6.3. JIRA Reports







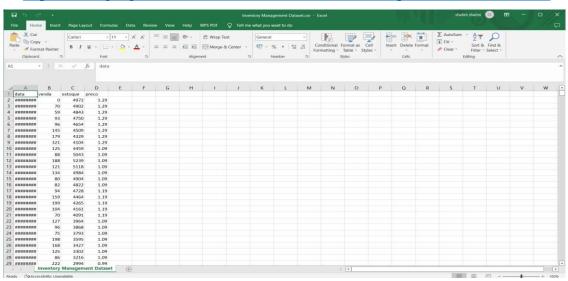
7. CODING & SOLUTIONING

7.1. Data Collection & Preparation

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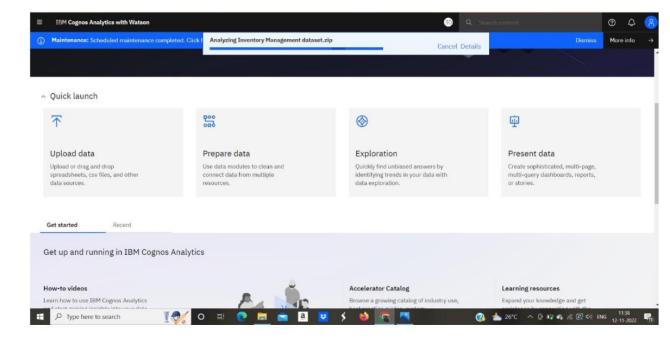
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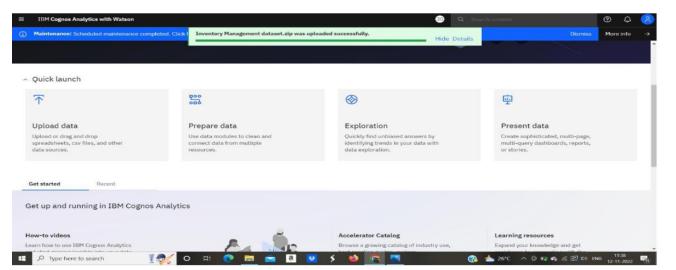
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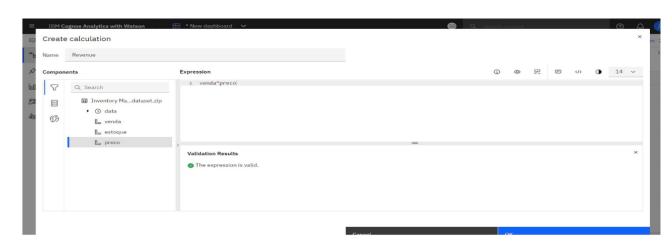
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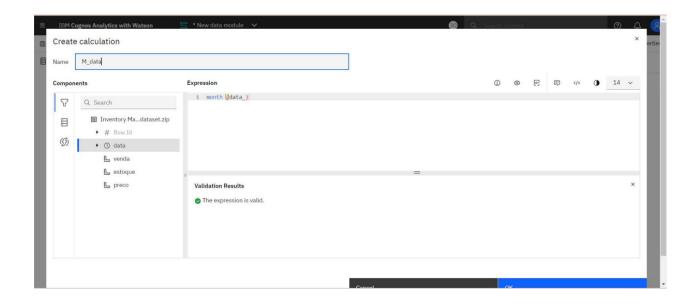
Tool Used – IBM Cognos Analytics



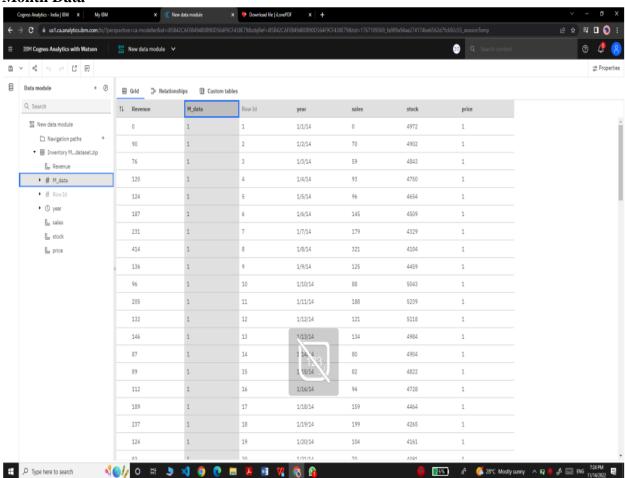


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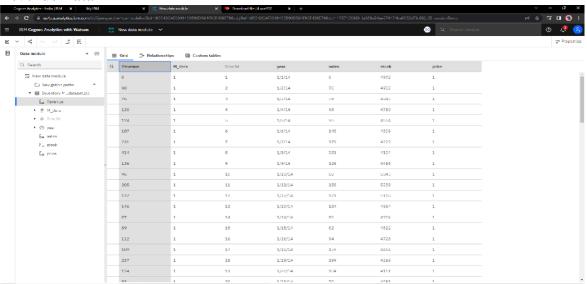




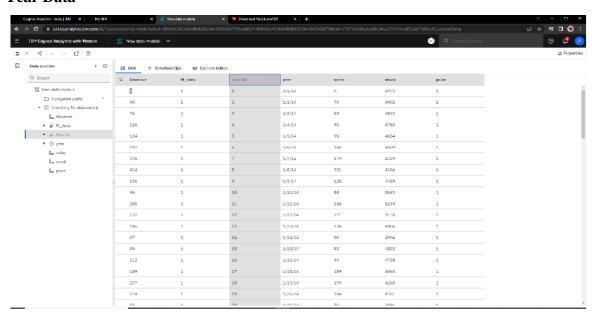
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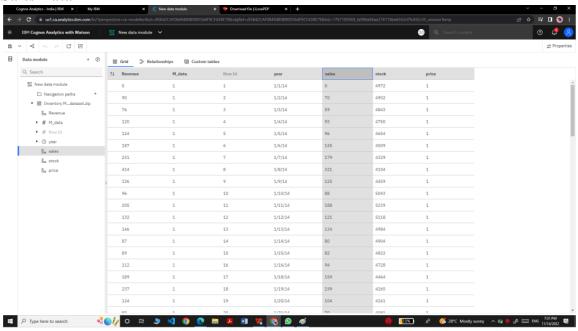
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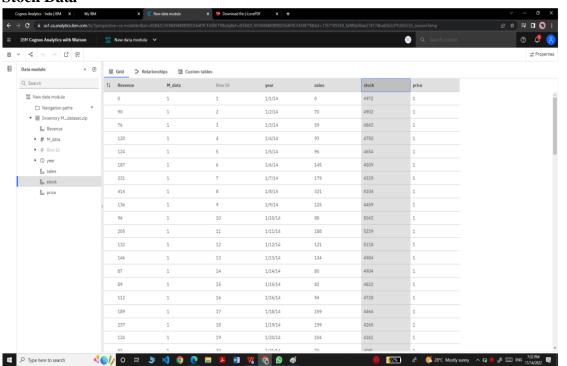
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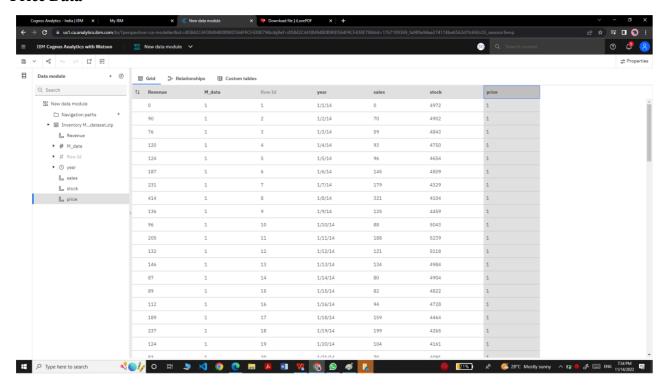
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Stock Data



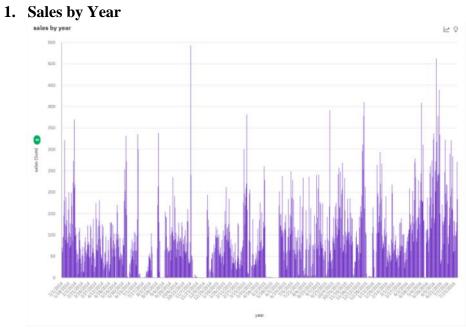
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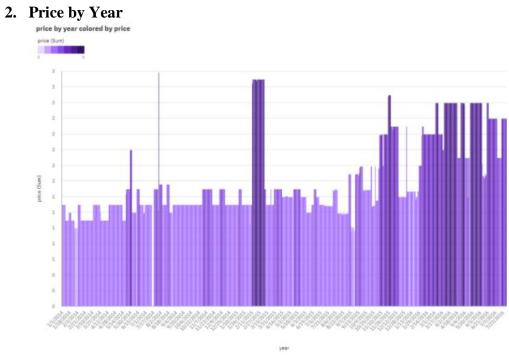


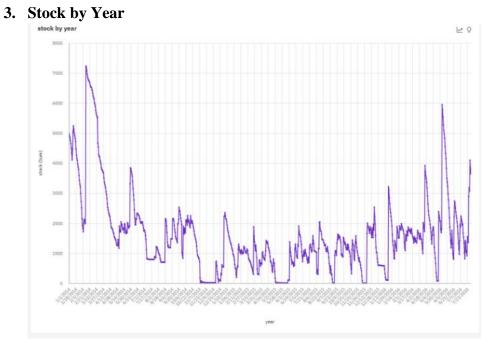
7.2. Data Exploration

DATA EXPLORATION

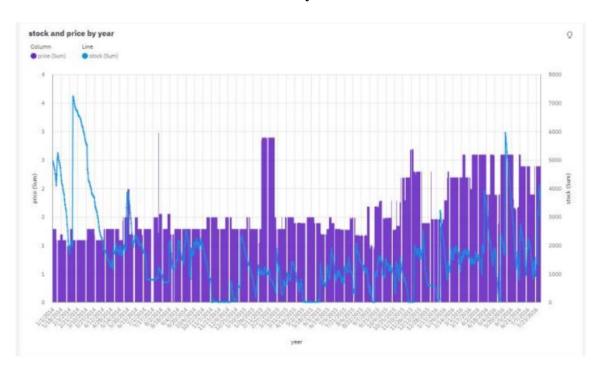
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- Sales by Year
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- M_Data hierarchy colored by M_Data and sized by Price
- Revenue by Year colored by Year
- Stock and Sales by Year
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- Revenue
- Prepared Visualization link



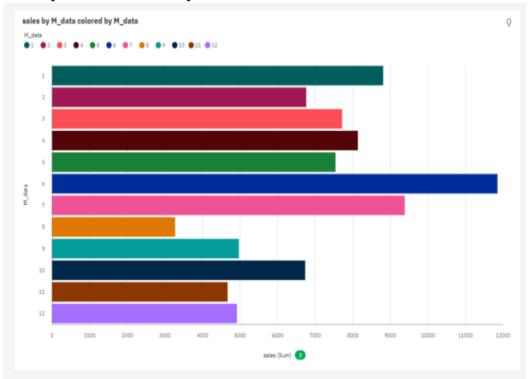




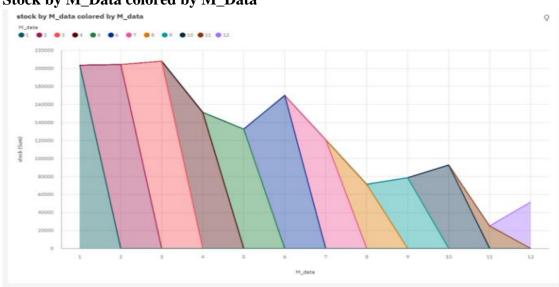
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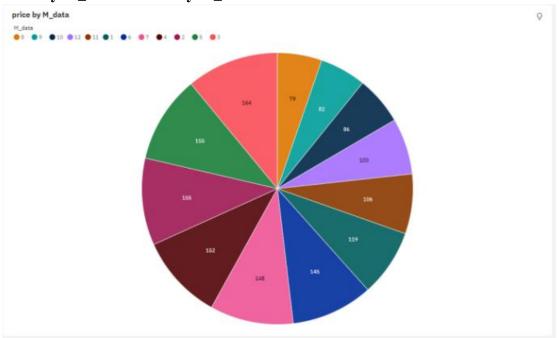
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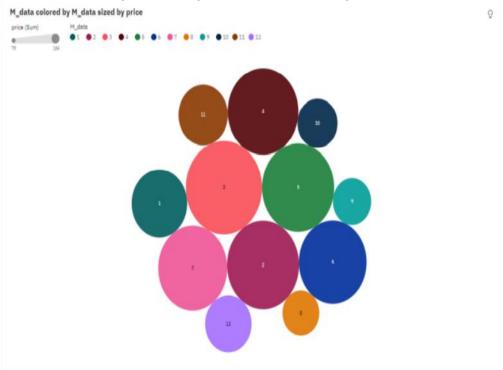
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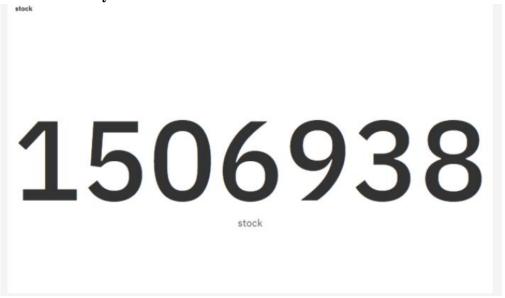
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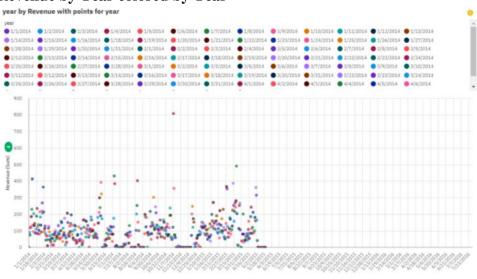
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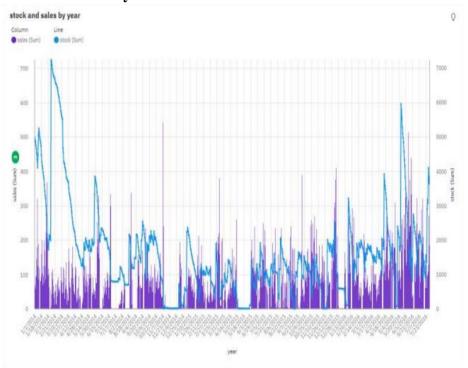
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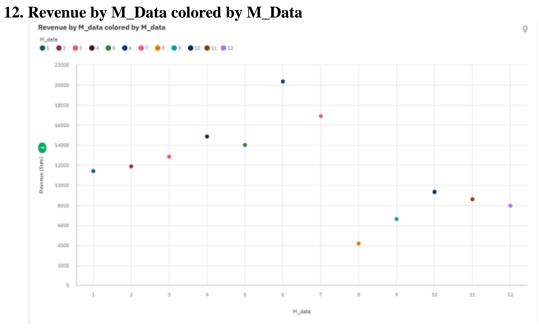


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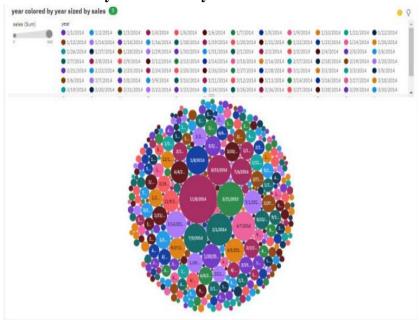


11. Stock and Sales by Year





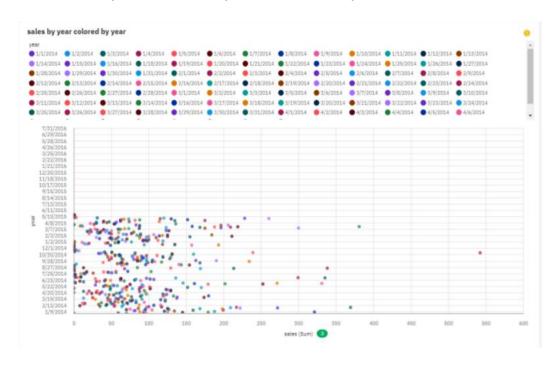
13. Year colored by Year sized by sales



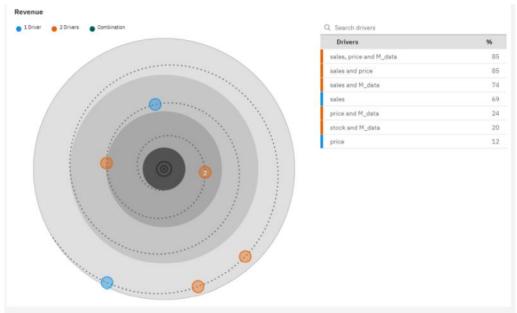
14. Wordcloud for Year sized by Sales



15. sales by Year colored by Year and sized by Year:



16. Revenue

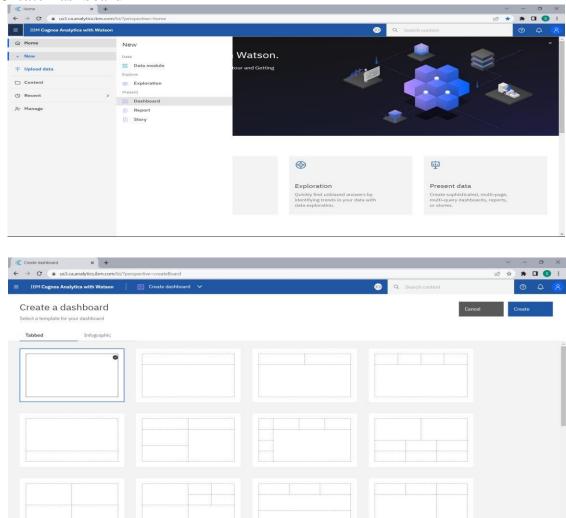


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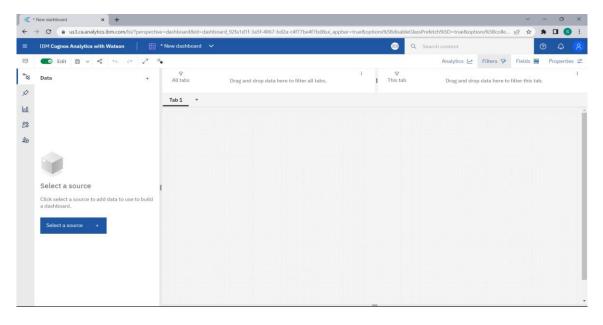
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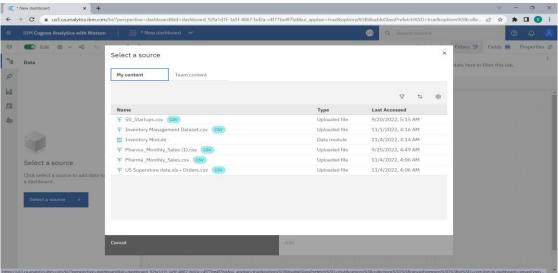
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Create Dashboard



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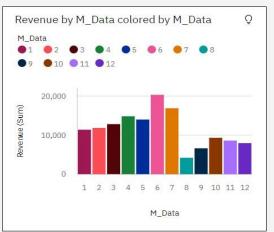


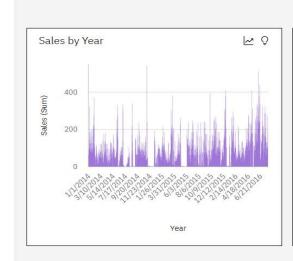


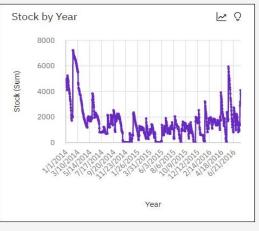
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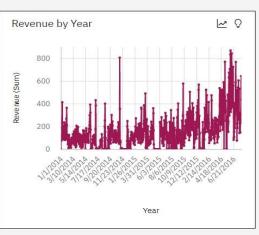












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Sales

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Stock

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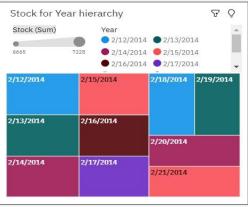
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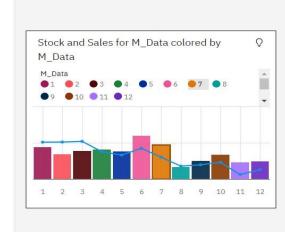
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Revenue



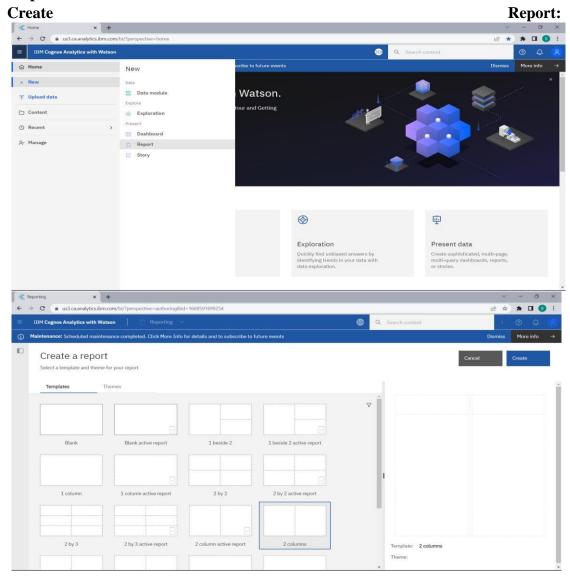




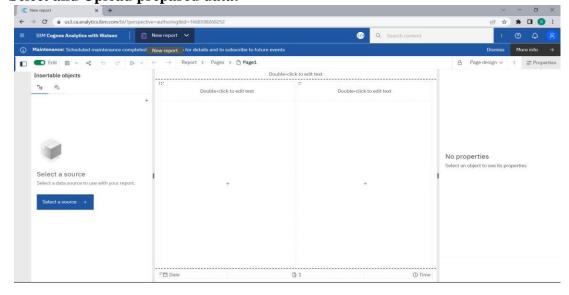


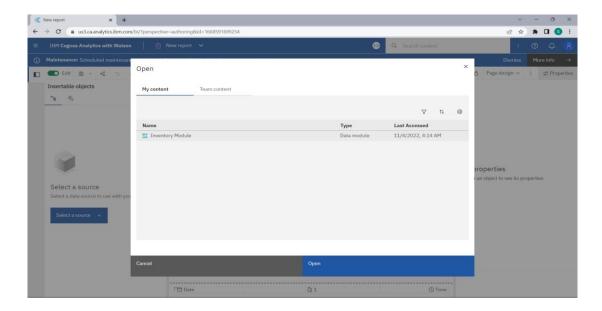
8. REPORT & STORY

8.1. Report Creation

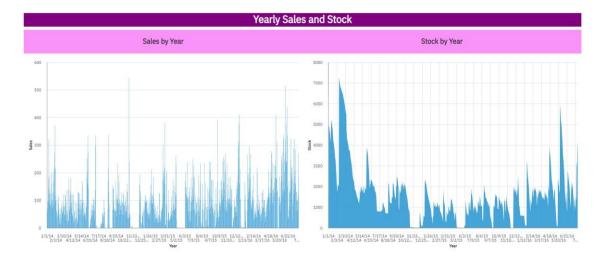


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Reports



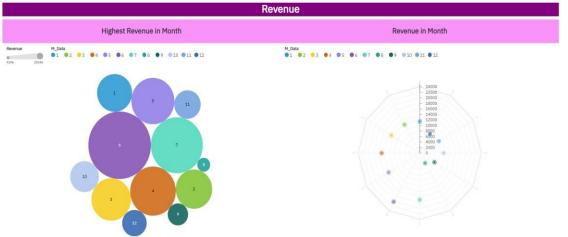












8.2. Story Creation

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9. APPENDIX

GitHub - https://github.com/IBM-EPBL/IBM-Project-1655-1658408797