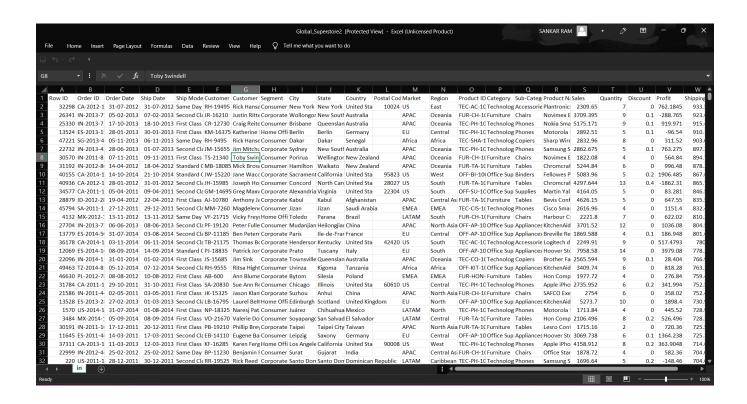# Loading the dataset

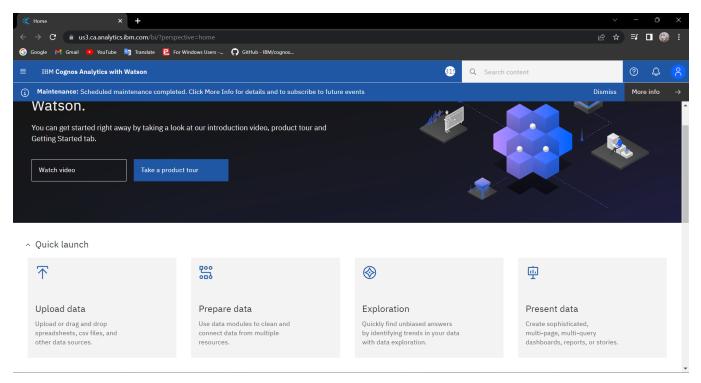In this we are using IBM Cognos to load the dataset.

Before you can build a view and analyze your data, you must first connect the data to IBM Cognos. Cognos supports connecting to a wide variety of data, stored in a variety of places.

The data might be stored on your computer in a spreadsheet or a text file, or in a big data, relational, or cube (multidimensional) database on a server in your enterprise.
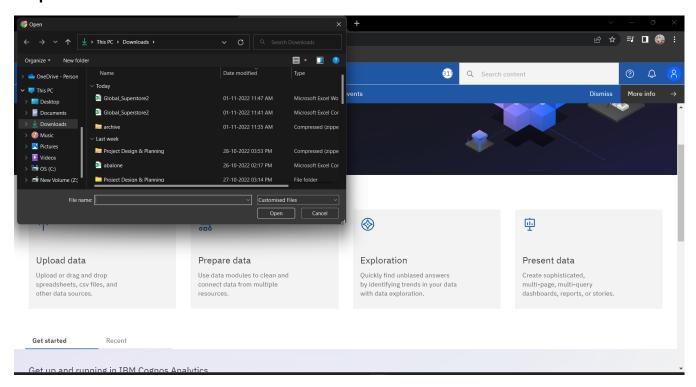
In our case, we will be using a spreadsheet or text file for making our analysis.

Step 1: Open IBM Cognos Analytics and click prepare data

Step 2: Select the dataset

Step 3: Upload the dataset