Task 3: Customer Segmentation/Clustering

Methodology:

1. Data Preparation:

- Combined customer data from Customers.csv and transaction data from Transactions.csv.
- Aggregated transaction data to calculate customer-level metrics: total transactions, total quantity purchased, total spending, and average order value.
- Normalized the numerical features to ensure they are on the same scale for clustering.

2. Clustering Algorithm:

- Used K-Means Clustering with 4 clusters (determined experimentally).
- Evaluated the clustering quality using the **Davies-Bouldin Index**.

3. Evaluation:

- Davies-Bouldin Index: 0.93 (indicating well-separated and compact clusters).
- Visualized clusters using PCA for dimensionality reduction to 2D.

4. Visualization:

 The clusters were plotted in 2D PCA space to observe the separation and distribution of customer groups.

Clustering Results:

1. Number of Clusters:

o 4 clusters were formed, representing distinct customer segments.

2. Davies-Bouldin Index:

 Achieved a value of 0.93. Lower values indicate better clustering performance (compact and well-separated clusters).

3. Cluster Characteristics:

- Each cluster has unique traits based on spending habits, transaction frequency, and average order value:
 - Cluster 0: High-frequency buyers with moderate spending.
 - Cluster 1: Low-frequency buyers with high average order value.
 - Cluster 2: Moderate buyers with balanced metrics.
 - Cluster 3: High-spending customers with large quantities purchased.

Key Insights:

1. Customer Segments:

 The segmentation reveals distinct groups, which can be targeted with personalized marketing strategies.

2. High-Value Customers:

 Customers in Cluster 3 contribute significantly to revenue and should be prioritized for retention programs.

3. Low-Engagement Customers:

 Cluster 1 consists of customers with low transaction frequency. Incentives or promotions can increase engagement.

4. Balanced Cluster:

 Cluster 2 represents an average customer base, which can be nurtured to transition into high-value customers.

5. **Operational Strategy:**

 Use cluster insights to allocate resources effectively for customer retention, acquisition, and engagement.