

## QUESTION : 2

### 1. Data Flow Diagram

The Data Flow Diagram (DFD) provides a high-level overview of how data moves through the inventory management system.

#### Entities:

- **User:** Interacts with the system to input data and view reports.
- **Sales System:** Provides real-time sales data.
- **Inventory Database:** Stores current stock levels, reorder points, and historical sales data.
- **Reorder Algorithm:** Calculates optimal reorder points and quantities.
- **Reporting Module:** Generates reports on inventory turnover, stockouts, and overstock situations.

#### Process Flow:

1. **Sales Data Input:** Sales data is fed into the system in real-time.
2. **Inventory Update:** The system updates stock levels based on sales data.
3. **Threshold Check:** The system checks if any product stock falls below the reorder threshold.
4. **Reorder Calculation:** If the threshold is breached, the Reorder Algorithm calculates the optimal reorder quantity.
5. **Alerts:** The system generates an alert if a reorder is needed.
6. **Reporting:** The Reporting Module generates periodic reports on various inventory metrics.

#### Diagram Components:

- **User Input** → **Inventory Database** ↔ **Reorder Algorithm**
- **Sales System** → **Inventory Update Process** → **Threshold Check**
- **Threshold Check** → **Reorder Alert** → **User**
- **Reporting Module** ↔ **Inventory Database**

## 2. Pseudocode and Implementation :

### Inventory Tracking Pseudocode

Initialize inventory levels from database

While sales data is incoming:

For each product in sales data:

Deduct sold quantity from inventory levels

If inventory level < reorder threshold:

Calculate reorder quantity using reorder algorithm

Generate reorder alert

Update reorder information in the database

Update inventory levels in the database

## Reorder Calculation Pseudocode

Function calculate\_reorder\_quantity(product\_id, current\_stock, lead\_time, demand\_forecast):

reorder\_point = (lead\_time \* average\_daily\_demand) + safety\_stock

reorder\_quantity = reorder\_point - current\_stock

If reorder\_quantity < minimum\_order\_quantity:

reorder\_quantity = minimum\_order\_quantity

Return reorder\_quantity

## 3. Python Implementation

```
import datetime
```

```
# Example inventory database structure
```

```
inventory = {  
    'product_id': {  
        'name': 'Product Name',  
        'stock_level': 100,  
        'reorder_threshold': 20,  
        'average_daily_demand': 5,  
        'lead_time': 7, # in days  
        'safety_stock': 10  
    }  
}
```

```
}
```

```
# Function to update inventory levels
```

```
def update_inventory(product_id, quantity_sold):
```

```
    if product_id in inventory:
```

```
        inventory[product_id]['stock_level'] -= quantity_sold
```

```
        check_reorder(product_id)
```

```
# Function to calculate reorder quantity
```

```
def calculate_reorder_quantity(product_id):
```

```
    product = inventory[product_id]
```

```
    reorder_point = (product['lead_time'] * product['average_daily_demand']) +  
product['safety_stock']
```

```
    reorder_quantity = reorder_point - product['stock_level']
```

```
    reorder_quantity = max(reorder_quantity, 0) # Ensure non-negative
```

```
    return reorder_quantity
```

```
# Function to check if reorder is needed
```

```
def check_reorder(product_id):
```

```
    product = inventory[product_id]
```

```
    if product['stock_level'] < product['reorder_threshold']:
```

```
        reorder_quantity = calculate_reorder_quantity(product_id)
```

```
        if reorder_quantity > 0:
```

```
            generate_reorder_alert(product_id, reorder_quantity)
```

```
# Function to generate reorder alert
```

```
def generate_reorder_alert(product_id, reorder_quantity):
```

```
    print(f"Reorder Alert: Order {reorder_quantity} units of {inventory[product_id]['name']}")
```

```
# Simulate sales data
```

```
sales_data = [
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{'product_id': 'product_id', 'quantity_sold': 85}
]

# Process sales data
for sale in sales_data:
    update_inventory(sale['product_id'], sale['quantity_sold'])
```

## 4. Documentation

### Reorder Algorithm

- **Reorder Point Calculation:** Based on the formula:  

$$\text{Reorder Point} = (\text{Lead Time} \times \text{Average Daily Demand}) + \text{Safety Stock}$$
- **Reorder Quantity:** The difference between the Reorder Point and current stock level. Ensures the stock is replenished to avoid stockouts.

### Historical Data Influence

- **Average Daily Demand:** Calculated using historical sales data. It's crucial for estimating future demand and determining the reorder point.
- **Safety Stock:** A buffer to account for variations in demand or delays in supply, calculated based on demand variability.

### Assumptions

- **Constant Lead Times:** Assumes lead times from suppliers are constant.
- **Stable Demand:** Assumes that demand is relatively stable with predictable fluctuations.

## 5. User Interface

The user interface can be implemented using a simple command-line interface (CLI) or a graphical user interface (GUI). The CLI can allow users to input product IDs or names to view current stock levels, reorder recommendations, and historical data.

### Example CLI Interaction:

```
bash
```

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```
$ python inventory_management.py Enter Product ID: product_id Current Stock Level: 15 Reorder Recommended: Yes Reorder Quantity: 45
```

## 6. Assumptions and Improvements

- **Demand Patterns:** The system assumes stable demand patterns, which might not be accurate in highly volatile markets. Implementing machine learning models to predict demand more accurately can improve reorder calculations.
- **Supplier Reliability:** Assumes suppliers are reliable with constant lead times. Introducing variability in lead times and building a more resilient system can reduce the risk of stockouts.
- **Inventory Costs:** The system doesn't currently account for holding costs, ordering costs, or stockout costs. Incorporating these factors into the reorder algorithm can optimize inventory levels further.