1. Time Series Analysis

- Monthly/Quarterly/Yearly Sales Trends: Analyze how sales fluctuate over time.
- **Seasonality**: Check if certain months/quarters have higher sales (e.g., holiday seasons).
- Profit vs. Sales Over Time: Compare if higher sales always mean higher profit.
- Order-to-Ship Delay Analysis: Calculate the average time between Order Date and Ship Date and see if delays impact sales/profit.

2. Customer Segmentation & Behavior

- RFM Analysis (Recency, Frequency, Monetary):
 - Recency: When was the last purchase of each customer?
 - Frequency: How often do customers buy?
 - o Monetary: How much do they spend?
- Top Customers by Profit/Sales: Identify high-value customers.
- Customer Churn Analysis: Check if some customers stopped purchasing over time.

3. Product & Category Performance

- Best/Worst Selling Products: Rank by Sales, Profit, or Quantity.
- Discount Impact: Does higher discount lead to more sales but lower profit?
- **Sub-Category Analysis**: Which sub-categories (e.g., Sedans, SUVs) contribute most to profit?
- **Product Bundling (Market Basket Analysis)**: Check if certain products are often bought together (using association rules).

4. Geographic Analysis

• Top States/Cities by Sales & Profit: Visualize on a map (if possible).

- **Region-wise Performance**: Compare Region in terms of sales, profit, and discounts.
- Shipping Mode Preference by Region: Do certain regions prefer specific Ship Mode?

5. Profitability & Cost Analysis

- Discount vs. Profit Correlation: Does discounting hurt profitability?
- Break-even Analysis: Find the optimal discount level that maximizes profit.
- Loss-making Products: Identify products with negative Profit.

6. Shipping & Logistics Analysis

- Ship Mode Efficiency: Which Ship Mode is fastest and most cost-effective?
- **Shipping Time vs. Customer Satisfaction**: Hypothesize if longer shipping times reduce repeat purchases.

7. Predictive Analysis (If Possible)

- Sales Forecasting: Use time series models (e.g., ARIMA, Prophet) to predict future sales.
- **Profit Prediction**: Train a regression model to predict profit based on features like Discount, Quantity, Category, etc.

8. Anomaly Detection

- Outliers in Sales/Profit: Detect unusually high or low values that may need investigation.
- Fraud Detection (if applicable): Check for abnormal discount usage or returns.

9. Business Questions to Answer

Which customer segment (Segment) is most profitable?

- · Are discounts driving sales at the expense of profit?
- Which regions need improvement in sales/profit?
- Is there a relationship between Quantity and Discount?

10. Visualizations to Include

- Heatmaps (e.g., correlation between Sales, Profit, Discount).
- Bar Charts (e.g., top products by profit).
- Line Charts (e.g., monthly sales trends).
- Scatter Plots (e.g., Discount vs. Profit).
- Geospatial Maps (if coordinates are available).

Tools/Libraries to Use

- Pandas (for aggregations and transformations).
- Matplotlib/Seaborn (for visualizations).
- **Plotly** (for interactive visualizations).
- **Scikit-learn** (for predictive modeling, if needed).

Final Deliverable

Structure your notebook as:

- 1. Business Objective
- 2. Data Cleaning (if any remaining)
- 3. Exploratory Analysis (Summary of EDA)
- 4. Advanced Analysis (Pick 3-5 of the above)
- 5. Key Findings & Recommendations