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## **PROBLEM**

We need a system that allows us to control inventory and sales prices in a tire store, since imbalances in profits and differences in product entry and exit records have been detected. To understand what the program needs to do, you first need to understand a little about inventory management, updating prices, and applying discounts and taxes. However, we will keep things simple and only deal with the recording of tire entries and exits, along with the calculation of final prices with discount and VAT included.

## **SUMMARY**

In the commercial field, correct inventory management and price control is essential to maintain profitability and transparency in a store. Without automated monitoring, errors in price calculations, stock losses or inconsistencies in profits may occur. A system that records tire entries and exits, applies discounts and VAT automatically, and keeps the total inventory value up to date would allow managers to have exact control of stocks and profits generated, guaranteeing efficient and reliable management. of the business.

## **BACKGROUND**

In the south of Quito, specifically in the 23 de Mayo sector, tire stores play an important role in supporting local transportation and vehicle maintenance. Most of these businesses work with a variety of tire brands and sizes, serving cars, motorcycles, and trucks every day. However, many of them still rely on manual methods to record tire entries and sales, which often causes mistakes in stock control, incorrect pricing, and inconsistencies in profit calculations. In our local tire store, these issues have become evident. Sometimes, sales records do not match the actual number of tires in stock, and price updates are made inconsistently, affecting profit margins. For this reason, it is necessary to implement a simple computer-based system that can record the entry and exit of tires, automatically apply discounts and VAT, and keep track of total inventory value. By introducing this system, the store will have more accurate control of its stock and finances, reducing human error and improving efficiency in daily operations.

A study is being carried out which shows how the progress of the years since before the pandemic where it was assumed that mobility was good and after the

pandemic where it also shows the change of people for a certain way of taking care of their vehicles with the purchase of tires

Año	Promedio de llantas vendidas	Variación respecto al otro año	Observaciones
4010		at otro ano	
2019	4,800 unidades/año	_	Año estable antes de pandemia,
			ventas constantes.
2020-	2,900 unidades/año	↓ -40%	Impacto de pandemia y restricciones
2021			de movilidad.
2024	5,400 unidades/año	↑+12.5% respecto a	Recuperación del mercado y
		2019	aumento del parque automotor.

This table shows a general comparison of tire sales and inventory movements between 2019 (before the pandemic) and 2024. It highlights the total number of tires sold per year, the variation rate, and key observations about the market situation.

In 2019, sales were stable, reflecting normal business conditions. During 2020–2021, sales dropped sharply by around 40% due to the pandemic and mobility restrictions. However, by 2024, the market recovered, surpassing pre-pandemic levels with a 12.5% increase in total tire sales. This data emphasizes the importance of having a digital inventory management system to adapt quickly to market fluctuations.

Marca de llanta	% de uso en vehículos (2019)	% de uso en vehículos (2024)	Precio promedio 2019 (USD)	Precio promedio 2024 (USD)	Variación de precio	Observaciones
Michelin	25%	28%	85	105	↑+23.5%	Aumenta su presencia en autos particulares de gama media- alta.
Goodyear	20%	22%	78	96	↑+23%	Se mantiene fuerte en autos v camionetas.
Firestone	15%	13%	70	88	↑ +25.7%	Ligeramente menor participación, pero precios más altos.
Hankook	10%	15%	68	92	↑+35%	Crecimiento importante por buena relación calidad/precio.
Pirelli	8%	10%	90	115	↑+27.7%	Más demanda en vehículos deportivos.
Continental	7%	6%	95	118	↑+24%	Mantiene presencia, aunque más costosa.
Otras (marca local o genérica)	15%	6%	55	65	↑+18%	Menor demanda por baja durabilidad y fallas postventa.

This table compares the market share (usage percentage) and average sale prices of major tire brands between 2019 and 2024. It also shows how prices have changed and provides brief comments about each brand's position in the local market.

The data shows that premium brands such as Michelin, Goodyear, and Pirelli increased their market participation and prices, while lower-cost or generic brands lost market share due to durability and quality issues. Prices rose on average 20–30% due to inflation, raw material costs, and shipping fees after the pandemic.

This information is crucial for pricing control and strategic purchasing, helping store managers determine which brands bring the best profit margins and customer satisfaction.

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Marca	Participación en inventario (2019)		Rentabilidad promedio (margen %) 2019	Rentabilidad promedio (margen %) 2024	Comentario	
Michelin	20%	26%	15%	18%	Mayor margen gracias a fidelización.	
Goodyear	18%	21%	14%	17%	Estabilidad en ventas y buen margen.	
Firestone	16%	14%	13%	16%	Ligeras variaciones, precios más altos.	
Hankook	10%	15%	12%	19%	Mayor margen por demanda creciente.	
Pirelli	8%	10%	10%	15%	Subió su margen con la tendencia a neumáticos premium.	
Continental	8%	7%	12%	14%	Mantiene su segmento de alto rendimiento.	

This table details each brand's participation in the store's total inventory and its average profitability margin in both 2019 and 2024. It shows how the distribution of stock has shifted and how profit margins have evolved over time.

Brands like Michelin and Hankook increased both their inventory share and profit margins, reflecting growing consumer trust and effective price management. On the other hand, generic or low-cost brands decreased their participation significantly as customers preferred more durable and reputable options.

This table demonstrates how implementing an automated control system for inventory and sales could help maintain ideal stock levels, update prices consistently, and improve profitability analysis for each brand.

## ANALYST COMPARISON

Between 2019 and 2024, the **tire market** in **Quito** experienced significant **changes** that can be analyzed through a **comparison** similar to an **analyst performance model**. Each **tire brand** represents an **investor** starting with the same market opportunity, and its results depend on pricing strategy, inventory control, and demand. Michelin and Goodyear maintained solid **growth**, increasing both **market share** and **profitability**. **Hankook** showed the strongest improvement, achieving the highest efficiency and profitability among all **brands**. **Pirelli** and **Firestone** had moderate but steady **progress**. while **Continental** remained stable with minimal variation. In contrast, generic brands lost participation despite slight price increases, reflecting weak customer preference. Overall prices rose 20–30%, improving margins for recognized brands. The simulation shows that Hankook, Michelin, and Goodyear performed as top "investors," while low-cost brands declined. This performance comparison reveals the importance of accurate price updates and automated inventory systems. By monitoring each brand's evolution, the store can predict profitability trends and make smarter purchasing decisions.

Substantives	Object(	(yes/no)
System	yes	
Inventory	yes	
Tire store	yes	
Product entry	yes	
Records	yes	
Prices	yes	
Discounts	yes	

Substantives	Object(yes/no)
Progress	no
Variation rate	no
Market situation	no
Fluctuations	no
Share	no
Brands	no
Local market	no

Taxes	yes	
Tire	yes	
Vat	yes	
Commercial field		no
Inventory management	yes	
Price control	yes	
Profits		no
Business	yes	
Local transportation		no
Vehicle	yes	
Maintenance		no
Human/people		no

Quality issues		no
Inflation		no
Raw material costs		no
Shipping fees		no
Pricing control	yes	
Customer satisfaction.	yes	
Distribution	yes	
Analyst	yes	
Improvement		no
Price updates	yes	
Trends		no

Class	Objects	Attribute	Methods
System	SalesSystem2025	systemName:	startSystem(),
		String,	shutDownSystem(),
		version: String,	generateReport()
		activeUser: String	

Inventory  TireStore	centralWarehous eInventory  DakarQuitoBran	productList: List <tire>, totalQuantity: int, lastUpdated: Date name: String, address: String,</tire>	addProduct(), removeProduct(), updateStock() registerSale(), registerPurchase(),
		phone: String, schedule: String	showInventory()
ProductEntry	michelinBatch202	entryID: int, entryDate: Date, quantity: int, supplier: String	recordEntry(), validateData(), generateReceipt()
Records	januaryPurchase Records	recordID: int, recordType: String, date: Date, details: String	saveRecord(), findRecord(), deleteRecord()
Prices	priceList2025	basePrice: float, currency: String, updateDate: Date	calculateFinalPrice() , modifyPrice(), viewHistory()
Discounts	wholesaleDiscoun t	discountType: String, percentage: float, startDate: Date, endDate: Date	applyDiscount(), removeDiscount(), validateDiscount()

Taxes / VAT	ecuadorVAT12	taxType: String,	calculateVAT(),
Taxes / VIII	ccuador viria		
		vatRate: float,	updateRate(),
		country: String	showTaxDetails()
Tire	michelinPrimacy 4	tireID: int,	showInfo(),
	7	brand: String,	updateStock(),
		size: String,	calculateSalePrice()
		type: String,	
		price: float	
InventoryManageme	monthlyStockCo	minStock: int,	controlStock(),
nt	ntrol	maxStock: int,	alertLowStock(),
		inventoryStatus: String	refreshInventory()
PriceControl	quarterlyPriceAd	controlID: int,	verifyChanges(),
	justment	controlDate: Date,	recordUpdate(),
		oldPrice: float,	generateReport()
		newPrice: float	
Business	DakarTireBusine	businessName:	calculateProfit(),
	SS	String,	generateFinancialRe
		taxID: String,	port(),
		totalIncome: float,	updateData()
		totalExpenses: float	
Vehicle	toyotaHilux2020	licensePlate: String,	registerMaintenance
		type: String,	(),
		brand: String,	showHistory(),
		owner: String	linkPurchase()

CustomerSatisfactio n	postSaleSurveyJu ly	surveyID: int, satisfactionLevel: int,	recordFeedback(), calculateAverageSat isfaction(),
		comments: String	generateReport()
Distribution	sierraRegionDeli	distributionID: int,	scheduleDelivery(),
	very	destination: String,	updateStatus(),
		shippingDate: Date,	confirmDelivery()
		status: String	
Analyst	juanPerezAnalyst	analystID: int,	generateReport(),
		name: String,	analyzeTrends(),
		position: String,	updateData()
		department: String	
PriceUpdates	januaryPriceUpd	updateID: int,	registerChange(),
	ate	date: Date,	notifyUpdate(),
		product: String,	validatePrice()
		newPrice: float	