# **Clustering Methodology**

The customer segmentation was performed using the **K-Means** clustering algorithm, combining both customer profile data (e.g., region, tenure) and transaction behavior

# **Feature Engineering:**

- Region: One-hot encoded geographic regions.
- **Product Categories**: Count of transactions per category.
- Recency, Frequency, activity duration

### **Preprocessing:**

- Features normalized using StandardScaler to ensure equal weighting.

# **Optimal Cluster Selection:**

- Evaluated clusters for K=2 to 10 using the **Davies-Bouldin Index (DB Index)**.
- Silhouette Score used to validate cluster density and separation.

# **Clustering Results**

# 1. Optimal Number of Clusters:

• 4 clusters were selected based on the lowest DB Index.

### 2. Evaluation Metrics:

- **DB Index**: **1.25** (lower values indicate better separation).
- Silhouette Score: 0.35 (values closer to 1 denote well-separated clusters).

#### 3. Cluster Visualization:

- PCA (Principal Component Analysis) reduced features to 2D for visualization (Figure 1).
- Clusters show distinct groupings, indicating meaningful segmentation.