### **POWER BI**

The Power BI file for my project can be downloaded in **Github** (saved as **PowerBI-ETL-DataModel-DAX-Dashboards.pbix**) by clicking on this website link:

https://github.com/fernando5w/PowerBI\_project

My project involves using Power BI the Business Intelligence tool to analyse data for a manufacturing company that produces cycling equipment and accessories.

The **dataset** I used consists of various CSV files containing information about sales transactions, returns, products, customers and geographic locations for sales.

Power BI is used to track the company's **KPI** for sales, revenue, sales orders, returns and profit. In addition Power BI is used to compare **geographic performance by country, analyse product trends, and to identify high value customers.** 

My Power BI dashboard displays the following 4 tabs:

- Tab "Summary"
- Tab "Product Details Drillthrough"
- Tab "Customer Details"
- Tab "Map"

I used Power BI to do the following:

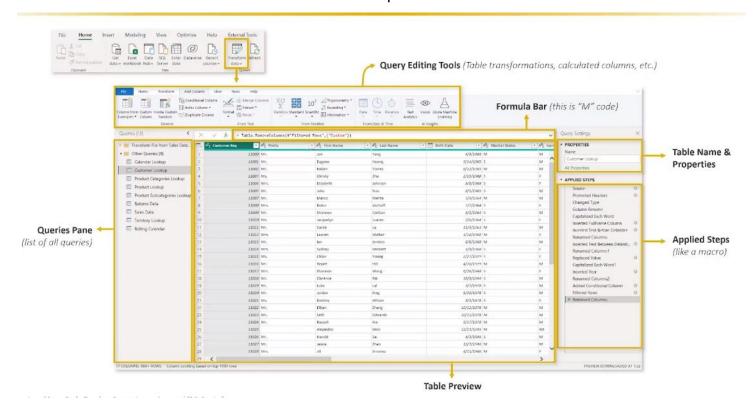
- **ETL** (Extract, Transform, Load) activities by using **Power Query Editor**. I uploaded the dataset and transformed the data (i.e. data cleaning).
- Created a Relational Data Model (by connecting relationships between several tables from different data sources).
- Used DAX for data analysis by creating Calculated Columns and Measures.
- Created interactive Dashboards in order to visualize the data.

# **POWER QUERY EDITOR**

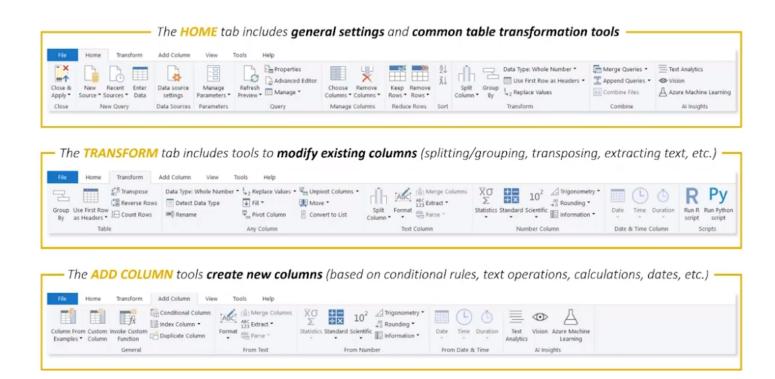
The tools I used and the tasks I performed in the Power Query Editor are as follows:

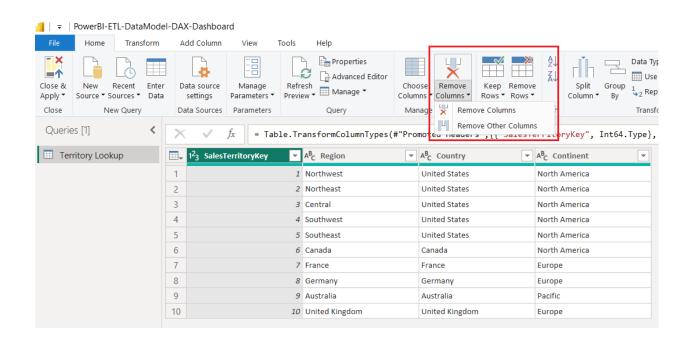
Connected to the data source and imported the dataset consisting of several CSV files

- Transfromed the Data and performed the ETL process
- Changed the Data Type of some columns
- Created new columns and updated existing columns of data by using Text Tools. For example
  - > Splitting the text in a column into separate new columns based on a delimiter.
  - Formating the text in a column to be all uppercase or lowercase or capitalize each word
  - ➤ Using TRIM() function to eliminate leading spaces or trailing spaces in text
  - Extracting characters from text based on delimiters or other criteria
  - Merge several text columns into a single column
- Used Statistics Number Tools to explore columns with numeric data.
- Used Rounding Tools to round the values in a number column
- Applied Standard Number Tools to do operations like Multiply, Divide, Subtract, Add and Percentage.
- Created a Calendar Table from a single column of dates by using Date & Time Tools. For example creating columns for Year, Month number, Month name, Day name, Quarter
- Created Conditional Columns based on IF THEN Test conditions
- Created Calculated Columns
- Applied Group By to summarise data in tables.
- Used Append Files From Folder in order to consolidate and append several data tables. This can also used to Automate the consolidation process.



## QUERY EDITING TOOLS





#### **DATA MODEL**

**Data Modelling** in Power BI can be defined as saving data from different data sources into tables (Data Tables and Lookup Tables) and then creating relationships between those tables. The **relationships** form connections between the tables based on a common field column (which are called **Primary Keys** and **Foreign Keys**).

The advantages of using a data model for data analysis are:

- ❖ we can upload large datasets for millions of rows into a data model
- data models can use tables from various different data sources (for example the web, pdf, SQL) which can be combined to enable better data analysis
- we can define custom hierarchies in the data model which enable us to drill down into the fine detailed data in the Power BI charts and visualizations. For example a Date Hierarchy enables us to drill down to visualize a chart by year, quarter, month or day.

There are two types of tables in the data model. The **Lookup Tables** contain text to describe the data. For example Table Customer\_Lookup contains data about the customer's occupation, education level and income level. The Lookup Tables contain **Primary Keys**.

The **Data Tables** contain quantitative values. For example Table Sales Data contains data about the order quantity sold. The Data Tables contain **Foreign Keys**.

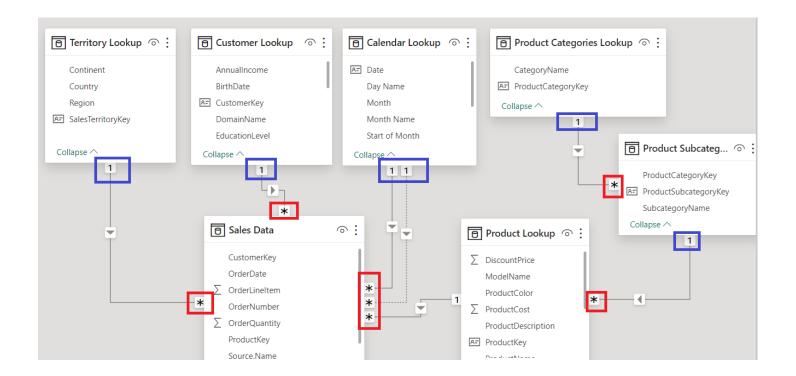
I created a **Normalized database** for my data model, which means each table should serve a specific purpose. For example the table customer\_lookup contains data only about customers (their name, occupation, education level), the table product\_lookup contains data only about products (the product colour, product cost) and the table Sales Data contains data only about sales (order quantity, order date)

In my data model I used only the **One-To-Many cardinality** to create relationships between the Lookup Tables and Data Tables.

The advantage of using a Data Model in Power BI is that this enables us to use **multiple separate tables in a single data visualization or for data analysis**. If we did not use a Data Model then we must consolidate multiple tables into a single large table by using formulas like VLookup. This is time consuming, inefficient and prone to errors.

Another advantage of using a Data Model in Power BI is that this enables us to create multiple tables from **various different data sources**. For example data from websites, PDF files, SQL Server or CSV files.

The Data Model I created for this project was based on a **Snowflake Schema** (as shown below).



## DAX

**DAX** stands for **Data Analysis Expressions** and is the formula language used to create metrics which are included in the Data Model. DAX enables us to perform **deeper data analysis**.

The DAX functions are used to create **Calculated Columns** in tables of the Data Model, and **Measures** in the Power BI visuals (suach as a chart or matrix). The Calculated Columns are used to filter data whereas Measures are used to aggregate data values (for example SUM, COUNT, AVERAGE).

The DAX functions work with relational datababases and enable us to create complicated metrics which simple formulas are not able to achieve. DAX can be used to nest several Measures to create powerful **Measure Trees**.

Some of the **DAX functions** I used for my project are shown in the table below. These include:

Time Intelligence Functions - DATESYTD(), DATESMTD(), DATEDIFF()

Iterator Functions - SUMX(), COUNTX(), RANKX()

Filter Functions - CALCULATE(), FILTER(), ALL(), DISTINCT()

Relationship Functions - RELATED()

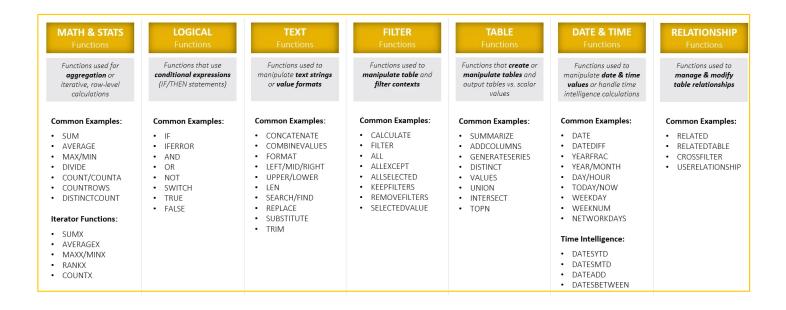
Table Functions - DISTINCT()

Logical Functions- IF(), NOT(), AND(), OR()

Statistical Functions - SUM(), COUNT(), DISTINCTCOUNT(), COUNTROWS()

Text Functions - CONCATENATE(), LEFT/RIGHT(), UPPER/LOWER(), REPLACE()

Date & Time Functions - DATEDIFF(), YEAR/MONTH/DAY(), WEEKDAY/WEEKNUM()



#### **DASHBOARD**

I created an interactive **Dashboard** to enable data visualization. This dashboard includes the tab "Summary", tab "Product Details Drillthrough", tab "Customer Details", and tab "Map.

The data visualizations I created are as follows:

- KPI Cards for Revenue, Orders and Returns comparing current month values to the Target prior month values.
- ❖ Maps to display sales orders by country, as well as Custom Tooltips which are dynamic
- Numeric Range Parameters and Fields Parameters to enable users to interact dynamically with charts on a dashboard
- ❖ Applied various Filters, Drills and Slicers to the charts including the following:
  - > Slicers which are visual filters displayed on the dashboard such as buttons or sliders
  - Drill Down / Drill Up is used to show data at different levels of granularity
  - Drill Through is enabled so we can click on a product name in the Matrix on page Tab "Summary" and this will then move us to the page Tab "Product Details which has been filtered for that specific chosen product name
  - Visual Level Filters, Page Level Filters and Report Level Filters
  - Cross Filters between Charts using "Edit Report Interactions"
- Created a Slicer Panel attached to a Bookmark
- Matrix to show detailed data in a table format with the ability to Drill Down or Drill Up.
  Conditional Formatting such as Data Bars is used to highlight Trends in the data.
- Gauge Charts to show the Actual profit in comparison to the Target profit for prior month
- Donut Chart to display the percentage of a whole, for example Sales Orders by Customer Income Level
- ❖ Line Chart showing trends in Revenue by year with the ability to drill down by quarter or month
- ❖ Line Chart with a Date Slider showing Revenue per Customer by guarter over 2020 and 2021
- Horizontal Bar Chart for Sales Orders by the Product Categories (bikes, clothing, accessories)

