

PROJECT TITLE : RETAIL SALES PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

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Problem Statement:

A nationwide retail company operates multiple stores across four regions (North, South, East, West). The business sells electronics and office supplies to different customer segments.

Senior management has noticed that overall revenue is growing, but profit margins are inconsistent across regions and products. Some regions report high sales but low profits, while others perform steadily.

The leadership team wants a single Power BI dashboard that:

- Cleans and validates raw sales data
- Identifies profitable and non-profitable products
- Highlights regional performance gaps
- Supports data-driven decisions for promotions and inventory planning

You are assigned as a Data Analyst to explore the data, build a robust data model, apply DAX calculations, and present actionable insights.

Questions:

1. Identify missing values and duplicates in the Sales dataset.
What cleaning steps are required?

➤ Find missing values :

The screenshot shows the Power BI Desktop interface with the Sales dataset loaded. The table has columns: CustomerID, ProductID, and Sales. A filter menu is open over the Sales column, showing options like Sort Ascending, Sort Descending, Clear Sort, Clear Filter, Remove Empty, and Number Filters. The Number Filters section is expanded, showing a list of values including (null), 5600, 6000, 7500, 8000, 9000, 10800, 12000, 14400, 20000, and 30000. The (null) option is selected.

CustomerID	ProductID	Sales
1	P001	40000
2	P002	7500
3	P003	30000
4	P004	12000
5	P005	90000
6	P006	null
7	P001	20000
8	P002	9000
9	P003	60000
10	P004	14400
11	P005	30000
12	P006	8000
13	P002	6000
14	P001	20000
15	P004	10800
16	P003	60000
17	P006	5600
18	P005	60000
19	P002	7500
20	P001	60000

The screenshot shows the Power BI Desktop interface with the Sales dataset loaded. The table has columns: ProductID, Category, and Quantity. A filter menu is open over the Quantity column, showing options like Sort Ascending, Sort Descending, Clear Sort, Clear Filter, Remove Empty, and Number Filters. The Number Filters section is expanded, showing a list of values including (null), -4000, -2000, -1200, -800, 700, 1200, 1500, 2000, 2700, and 3000. The (null) option is selected.

ProductID	Category	Quantity
1	Electronics	
2	Office Supplies	
3	Electronics	
4	Office Supplies	
5	Electronics	
6	Office Supplies	
7	Electronics	
8	Office Supplies	
9	Electronics	
10	Office Supplies	
11	Electronics	
12	Office Supplies	
13	Office Supplies	
14	Electronics	
15	Office Supplies	
16	Electronics	
17	Office Supplies	
18	Electronics	
19	Office Supplies	
20	Electronics	

➤ Find duplicate values :

Queries [3] fx = Table.TransformColumnTypes(#"Promoted Headers",{{"OrderID", Int64.Type}, {"OrderDate", type date}},

	ProductID	Category	Quantity	Sales	Profit
	1 distinct, 1 unique	3 distinct, 1 unique	12 distinct, 7 unique	14 distinct, 7 unique	17 distinct, 13 unique
1	1	Electronics	2	40000	6000
2	2	Office Supplies	5	7500	1500
3	3	Electronics	1	30000	-2000
4	4	Office Supplies	10	12000	3000
5	5	Electronics	3	90000	18000
6	6	Office Supplies	8	null	-800
7	1	Electronics	1	20000	2000
8	2	Office Supplies	6	9000	null
9	3	Electronics	2	60000	5000
10	4	Office Supplies	12	14400	3600
11	5	Electronics	1	30000	6000
12	6	Office Supplies	10	8000	-1200
13	2	Office Supplies	4	6000	1200
14	1	Electronics	1	20000	3000
15	4	Office Supplies	9	10800	2700
16	3	Electronics	2	60000	-4000
17	6	Office Supplies	7	5000	700

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Queries [3] fx = Table.SelectRows(#"Changed Type", each not List.IsEmpty(List.RemoveMatchingItems(Record.FieldValues

	ProductID	Category	Quantity	Sales	Profit
	1 distinct, 0 unique	2 distinct, 0 unique	11 distinct, 6 unique	14 distinct, 8 unique	17 distinct, 14 unique
1	1	Electronics	2	40000	6000
2	2	Office Supplies	5	7500	1500
3	3	Electronics	1	30000	-2000
4	4	Office Supplies	10	12000	3000
5	5	Electronics	3	90000	18000
6	6	Office Supplies	8	null	-800
7	1	Electronics	1	20000	2000
8	2	Office Supplies	6	9000	null
9	3	Electronics	2	60000	5000
10	4	Office Supplies	12	14400	3600
11	5	Electronics	1	30000	6000
12	6	Office Supplies	10	8000	-1200
13	2	Office Supplies	4	6000	1200
14	1	Electronics	1	20000	3000
15	4	Office Supplies	9	10800	2700
16	3	Electronics	2	60000	-4000
17	6	Office Supplies	7	5000	700

➤ Cleaning Steps:

1. Remove missing values and replacing them :

Queries [3] ✕ ✓ fx = Table.ReplaceValue("#Changed Type",null,0,Replacer.ReplaceValue,{"Sales"})

	ProductID	Category	Quantity	1.2 Sales	1.2 Profit
1	P001	Electronics	2	40000	60
2	P002	Office Supplies	5	7500	15
3	P003	Electronics	1	30000	-20
4	P004	Office Supplies	10	12000	30
5	P005	Electronics	3	90000	180
6	P006	Office Supplies	8	0	-8
7	P001	Electronics	1	20000	20
8	P002	Office Supplies	6	9000	n
9	P003	Electronics	2	60000	50
10	P004	Office Supplies	12	14400	36
11	P005	Electronics	1	30000	60
12	P006	Office Supplies	10	8000	-12
13	P002	Office Supplies	4	6000	12
14	P001	Electronics	1	20000	30
15	P004	Office Supplies	9	10800	27
16	P003	Electronics	2	60000	-40
17	P006	Office Supplies	7	5600	7
18	P005	Electronics	2	60000	120
19	P002	Office Supplies	5	7500	15
20	P001	Electronics	3	60000	90
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Query Settings ✕

PROPERTIES

Name
Sales

All Properties

APPLIED STEPS

Source ⚙
Promoted Headers ⚙
Changed Type ⚙
X Replaced Value ⚙

Queries [3] ✕ ✓ fx = Table.ReplaceValue("#Replaced Value",null,0,Replacer.ReplaceValue,{"Profit"})

	ProductID	Category	Quantity	1.2 Sales	1.2 Profit
1	1	Electronics	2	40000	6000
2	2	Office Supplies	5	7500	1500
3	3	Electronics	1	30000	-2000
4	4	Office Supplies	10	12000	3000
5	5	Electronics	3	90000	18000
6	6	Office Supplies	8	0	-800
7	1	Electronics	1	20000	2000
8	2	Office Supplies	6	9000	0
9	3	Electronics	2	60000	5000
10	4	Office Supplies	12	14400	3600
11	5	Electronics	1	30000	6000
12	6	Office Supplies	10	8000	-1200
13	2	Office Supplies	4	6000	1200
14	1	Electronics	1	20000	3000
15	4	Office Supplies	9	10800	2700
16	3	Electronics	2	60000	-4000
17	6	Office Supplies	7	5600	700
18	5	Electronics	2	60000	12000
19	2	Office Supplies	5	7500	1500
20	1	Electronics	3	60000	9000
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Query Settings ✕

PROPERTIES

Name
Sales

All Properties

APPLIED STEPS

Source ⚙
Promoted Headers ⚙
Changed Type ⚙
Replaced Value ⚙
X Replaced Value1 ⚙

2. Remove duplicate values :

Queries [3] `= Table.Distinct(#"Replaced Value1", {"OrderID"})`

	123	OrderID	OrderDate	APC Region	APC StoreID	APC CustomerID
1		2001	05-01-2024	North	N01	C001
2		2002	07-01-2024	South	S01	C002
3		2003	10-01-2024	East	E01	C003
4		2004	15-01-2024	West	W01	C004
5		2005	18-01-2024	North	N02	C005
6		2006	20-01-2024	South	S02	C006
7		2007	02-02-2024	East	E02	C001
8		2008	05-02-2024	West	W02	C002
9		2009	10-02-2024	North	N01	C003
10		2010	12-02-2024	South	S01	C004
11		2011	15-02-2024	East	E01	C005
12		2012	18-02-2024	West	W01	C006
13		2013	20-02-2024	North	N02	C001
14		2014	22-02-2024	South	S02	C002
15		2015	25-02-2024	East	E02	C003
16		2016	28-02-2024	West	W02	C004
17		2017	03-03-2024	North	N01	C005
18		2018	05-03-2024	South	S01	C006
19		2019	08-03-2024	East	E01	C001
20		2020	10-03-2024	West	W01	C002
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Query Settings

PROPERTIES

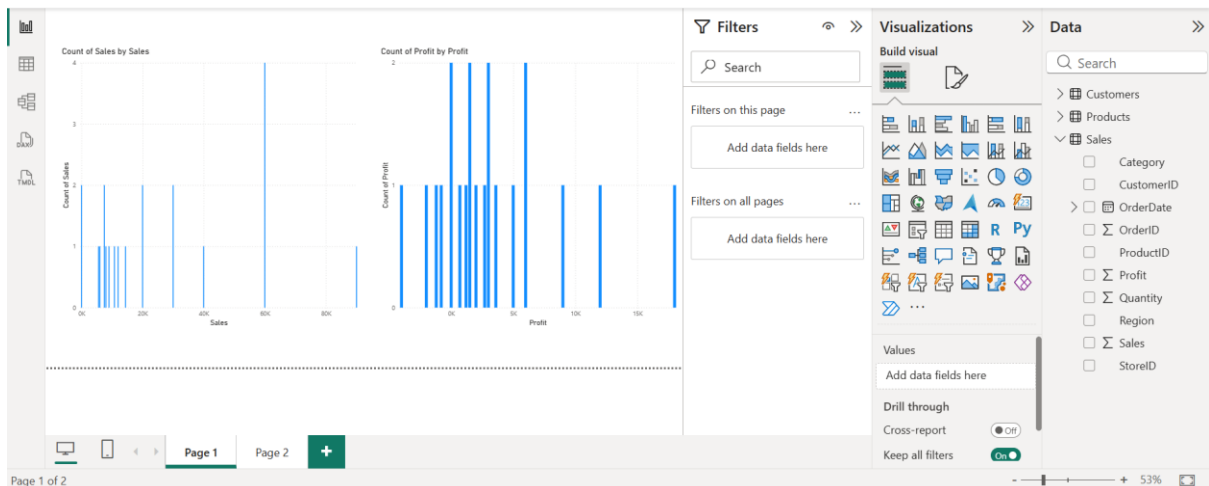
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APPLIED STEPS

- Source
- Promoted Headers
- Changed Type
- Replaced Value
- Replaced Value1
- Removed Duplicates

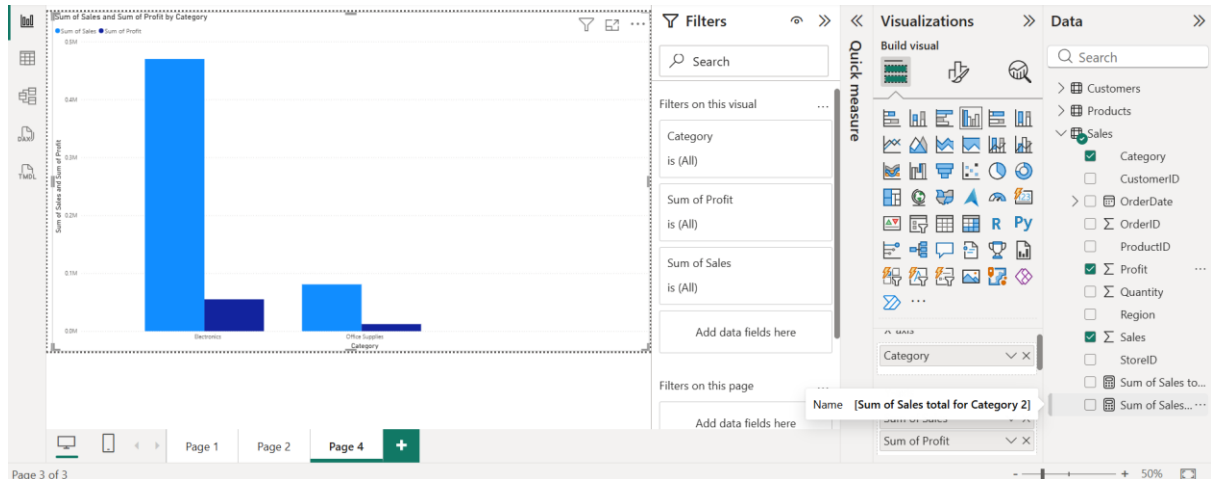
Final Output : Missing values were found in Sales and Profit columns and replaced with zero. Duplicate records based on OrderID were removed.

2. Perform univariate analysis on Sales and Profit. What distribution patterns do you observe?



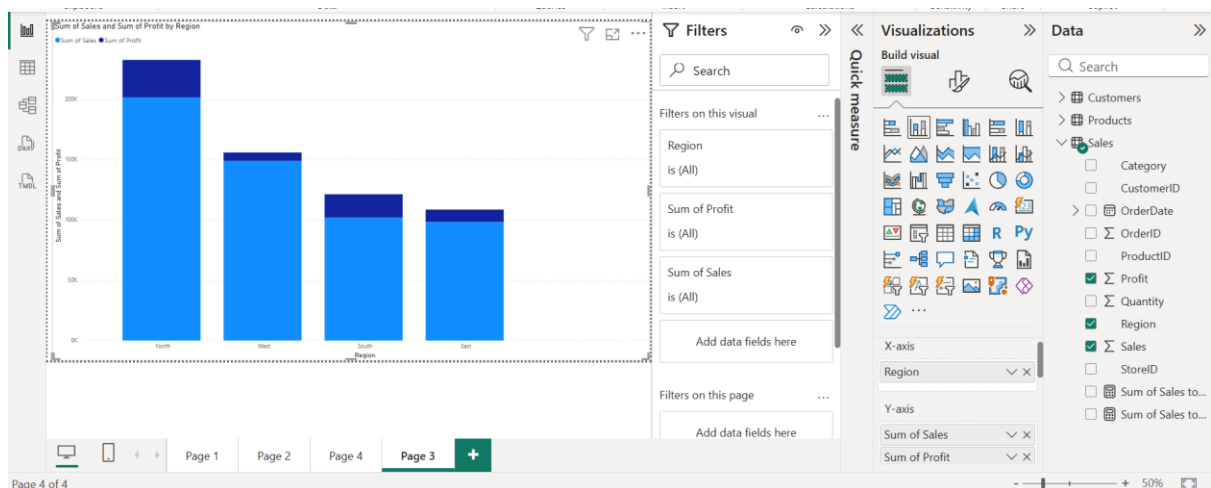
Final Output : Sales data is right-skewed, indicating that a few high-value transactions contribute most of the revenue. Profit distribution shows variability with both positive and negative values, indicating inconsistent profitability across transactions.

3. Which product categories contribute the highest revenue and profit?



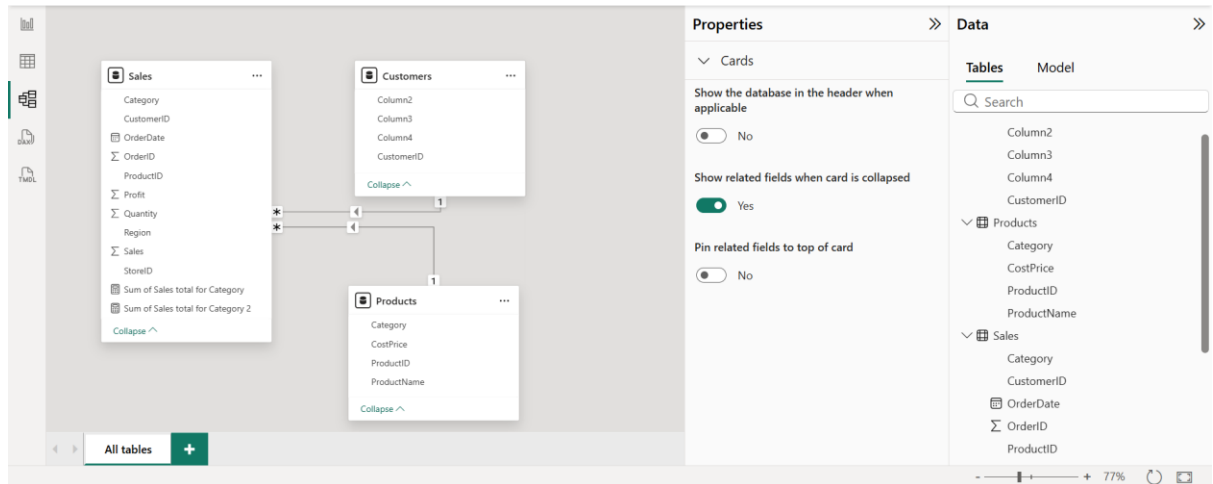
Final Output : Electronics contributes the highest revenue and profit.
Office Supplies generates lower revenue and has comparatively lower profit margins.

4. How does sales performance vary across regions?



Final Output : The North region records the highest sales and profit.
South shows stable performance, while East and West experience fluctuating and lower profitability.

5. Create a star schema using Sales, Customer, and Product tables. Why is this model effective?



Final Output : Star schema improves query performance, simplifies data analysis, and allows easy slicing of sales data by customer and product attributes.

6. Write a DAX measure to calculate Total Sales and Total Profit.

The screenshot shows the Power BI Desktop interface with a DAX measure for Total Sales. The measure is defined as `Total Sales = SUM(Sales[Sales])`. The table view displays data for Customers, with columns for CustomerID, CustomerName, Segment, City, Total Sales, and Total Profit. The data is as follows:

CustomerID	CustomerName	Segment	City	Total Sales	Total Profit
C001	John Retail	Consumer	Delhi	550800	67200
C002	ABC Corp	Corporate	Mumbai	550800	67200
C003	XYZ Ltd	Corporate	Bangalore	550800	67200
C004	OfficeMart	Small Business	Chennai	550800	67200
C005	QuickBuy	Consumer	Hyderabad	550800	67200
C006	TechZone	Small Business	Pune	550800	67200

Table: Customers (7 rows) Column: Total Sales (1 distinct values)

1 Total Profit = SUM(Sales[Profit])

CustomerID	Column2	Column3	Column4	Total Sales	Total Profit
CustomerID	CustomerName	Segment	City	550800	67200
C001	John Retail	Consumer	Delhi	550800	67200
C002	ABC Corp	Corporate	Mumbai	550800	67200
C003	XYZ Ltd	Corporate	Bangalore	550800	67200
C004	OfficeMart	Small Business	Chennai	550800	67200
C005	QuickBuy	Consumer	Hyderabad	550800	67200
C006	TechZone	Small Business	Pune	550800	67200

Table: Customers (7 rows) Column: Total Profit (1 distinct values)

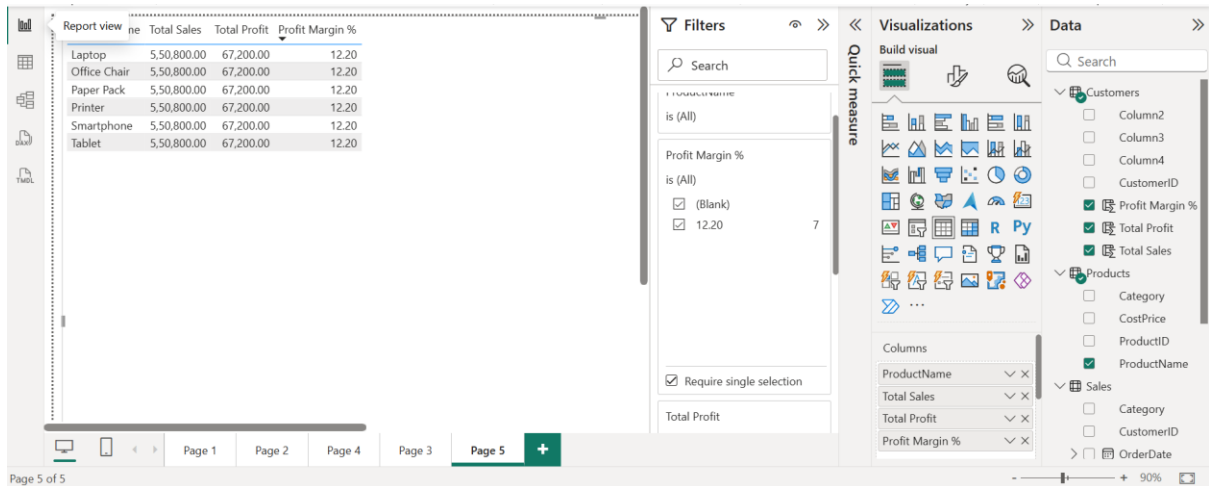
Final Output : DAX measures were created using SUM() to calculate total sales and total profit from the Sales table.

7. Calculate Profit Margin (%) using DAX and identify low-margin products.

1 Profit Margin % =
2 DIVIDE([Total Profit], [Total Sales], 0) * 100

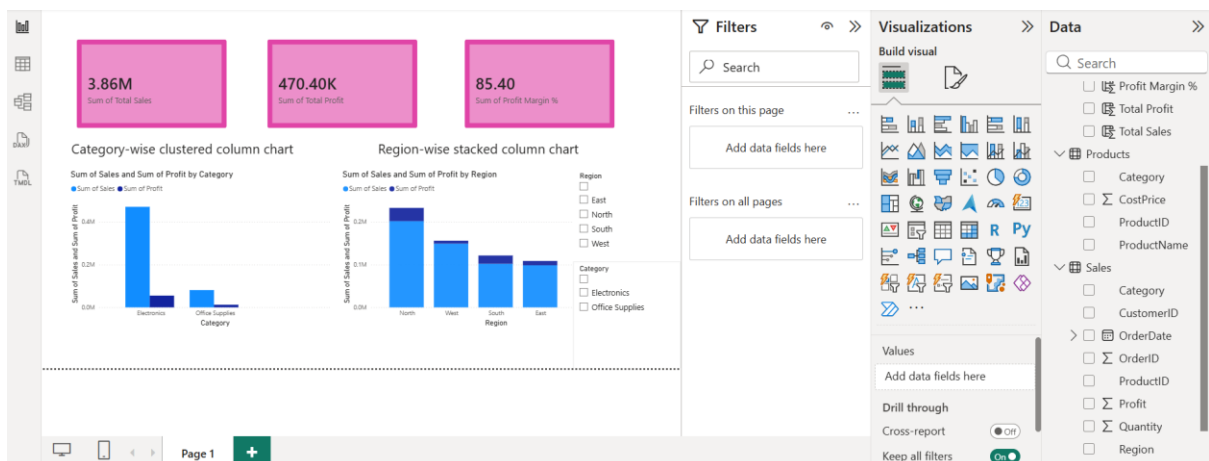
CustomerID	Column2	Column3	Column4	Total Sales	Total Profit	Profit Margin %
CustomerID	CustomerName	Segment	City	550800	67200	12.2004357298475
C001	John Retail	Consumer	Delhi	550800	67200	12.2004357298475
C002	ABC Corp	Corporate	Mumbai	550800	67200	12.2004357298475
C003	XYZ Ltd	Corporate	Bangalore	550800	67200	12.2004357298475
C004	OfficeMart	Small Business	Chennai	550800	67200	12.2004357298475
C005	QuickBuy	Consumer	Hyderabad	550800	67200	12.2004357298475
C006	TechZone	Small Business	Pune	550800	67200	12.2004357298475

Table: Customers (7 rows) Column: Profit Margin % (1 distinct values)



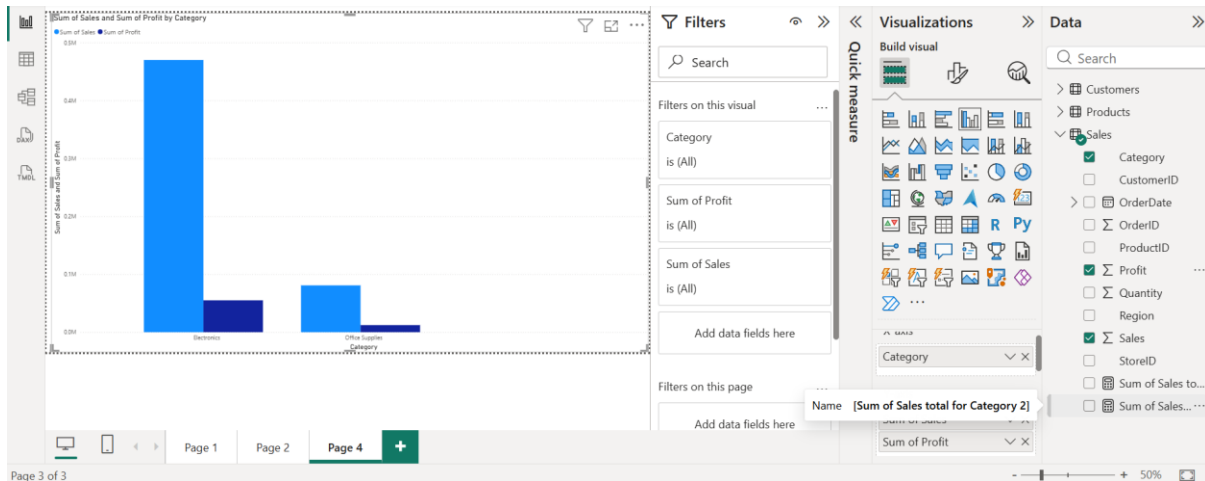
Final Output : Profit Margin (%) was calculated using DAX by dividing total profit by total sales. A table visual was used to identify low-margin products by sorting profit margin in ascending order.

8. Design a dashboard to show regional and category-wise performance.



Final Output : A Power BI dashboard was created using KPI cards and charts to visualize sales and profit across regions and product categories, enabling effective performance comparison.

9. Which products should be discontinued or promoted based on analysis?



Final Output : Based on profit margin analysis, low or loss-making products should be discontinued or repriced, while high-margin electronics should be promoted to maximize profitability.

PROJECT CONCLUSION

- In This Project, Retail Sales Data Was Successfully Cleaned, Validated, And Analyzed Using Power Bi To Understand Revenue And Profitability Patterns Across Regions And Product Categories. Missing Values And Duplicate Records Were Handled To Ensure Data Accuracy, And A Star Schema Data Model Was Created To Improve Analytical Efficiency.
- Dax Measures Were Used To Calculate Total Sales, Total Profit, And Profit Margin, Enabling Clear Identification Of High-Performing And Low-Performing Products. The Analysis Revealed That The Electronics Category Contributes The Highest Revenue And Profit, While Certain Office Supplies Products Show Low Or Negative Profit Margins. Regional Analysis Highlighted Strong Performance In The North Region, With Other Regions Showing Inconsistent Profitability.
- An Interactive Dashboard Was Designed To Present Key Insights Through Kpi Cards, Category-Wise And Region-Wise Visualizations, Supporting Data-Driven Decision-Making. Based On The Findings, High-Margin Products Such As Laptops And Smartphones Should Be Promoted, While Low-Margin Products Like Tablets And Paper Packs Require Review Or Discontinuation.
- Overall, This Dashboard Provides Management With A Clear And Actionable View Of Business Performance, Helping Optimize Promotions, Inventory Planning, And Profitability.