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Ex No: 1	Exploring the Data Engineering Lifecycle and Stakeholder Roles
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Objective:

This lab provides hands-on experience exploring the data engineering lifecycle and understanding the roles of key stakeholders. Participants will simulate responsibilities of data engineers, data scientists, and business analysts while examining raw data sources and planning a data-driven solution.

Outcomes:

- 1. Identify and describe each stage of the data engineering lifecycle.
- 2. Explain the specific responsibilities of stakeholders across the lifecycle.
- 3. Collaborate to define a business problem using raw data sources.
- 4. Draft a requirements document based on the business use case.

Materials:

- Raw sales data CSV file (sales data raw.csv)
- Customer feedback JSON file (customer feedback.json)
- Folder structure representing a mock data warehouse or data lake

Lab Procedure:

Stage 1: Problem Definition and Requirements Gathering (Business Analyst)

- 1. Review both datasets provided (sales_data_raw.csv and customer feedback.json).
- Sales price.csv contains:

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product id, sale price, quantity, customer id, and sale date.
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- Needs cleaning: missing values and \$ symbol in sale price.
- customer feedback.json contains:

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product id, customer id, sentiment score, and review date.
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2. Formulate a business question, e.g., "What are the top 5 products by revenue, and how does customer sentiment vary for them?"

3. Identify required data points (e.g., product_id, sale_price, customer_id, sentiment_score).

Field	Source	Purpose
product_id	Both files	Common key for merging
sale_price	sale_price.csv	To calculate revenue
quantity	sale_price.csv	To calculate revenue
sentiment_score	customer_feedback.json	To analyze customer perception
customer_id	Optional (for filtering)	Track individual-level trends

4. Create a short requirements document outlining the problem, key metrics, and desired insights.

Problem: Identify high-revenue products and assess if they align with positive customer feedback.

Key metrics: Total Revenue per Product, Average Sentiment Score per Product

Desired insights: Top 5 revenue products, Sentiment distribution for those products

Stage 2: Role-Based Collaboration Simulation

- 1. Discuss and map out how the Data Engineer will ingest and clean the data.
- Ingest: Load CSV and JSON files into Pandas DataFrames.
- Clean: Strip \$ from sale_price, convert to float, Handle missing values in quantity, Standardize date formats.
- After done with ingest and clean need to save cleaned data to /processed/cleaned sales.csv and /processed/cleaned feedback.csv
- 2. Identify how the Data Scientist will analyze and model insights based on the cleaned data.
- Merge datasets on product id.
- Compute:
 - o Total revenue = sale price × quantity
 - o Average sentiment per product.
 - Analyze:
 - o Rank products by revenue.

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o Compare revenue vs sentiment using visualizations (bar/box plots).

- Output: Summary table of top 5 products with revenue and average sentiment.
- 3. Define how the Business Analyst will interpret and report results.

Interpret:

- o Check if top-selling products have good/bad sentiment.
- o Identify gaps between revenue and satisfaction.

Report:

- o Create visual and textual report (e.g., PowerPoint or PDF).
- o Recommend actions (e.g., improve low-sentiment high-revenue items).
- 4. Define how each stakeholder contributes to the overall data solution.

Stakeholder	Contribution
Business Analyst	Define problem, metrics, and communicate insights
Data Engineer	Ensure data integrity, availability, and cleanliness
Data Scientist	Extract insights, model trends, create visualizations

5. Document the flow of responsibilities and dependencies between roles.

Business Analyst (Defines Problem) --> Data Engineer (Cleans Data) --> Data Scientist (Analyzes & Models) --> Business Analyst (Interprets & Reports).

Conclusion: This lab highlights the collaborative nature of data-driven projects. By defining clear roles and responsibilities across the lifecycle, teams can efficiently transform raw data into actionable insights that support strategic business decisions.