

Analysis Script

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Loading Packages

```
rm(list=ls())
library(ggplot2)
library(tidyverse)
```

Reading dataset

```
df <- read.csv("SampleSuperstore.csv")
str(df)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 9994 obs. of 13 variables:
## $ Ship.Mode : Factor w/ 4 levels "First Class",...: 3 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 ...
## $ Segment : Factor w/ 3 levels "Consumer","Corporate",...: 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ Country : Factor w/ 1 level "United States": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ City : Factor w/ 531 levels "Aberdeen","Abilene",...: 195 195 267 154 154 267 267 267 267 267 ...
## $ State : Factor w/ 49 levels "Alabama","Arizona",...: 16 16 4 9 9 4 4 4 4 4 ...
## $ Postal.Code : int 42420 42420 90036 33311 33311 90032 90032 90032 90032 90032 ...
## $ Region : Factor w/ 4 levels "Central","East",...: 3 3 4 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 ...
## $ Category : Factor w/ 3 levels "Furniture","Office Supplies",...: 1 1 2 1 2 1 2 3 2 2 ...
## $ Sub.Category: Factor w/ 17 levels "Accessories",...: 5 6 11 17 15 10 3 14 4 2 ...
## $ Sales : num 262 731.9 14.6 957.6 22.4 ...
## $ Quantity : int 2 3 2 5 2 7 4 6 3 5 ...
## $ Discount : num 0 0 0 0.45 0.2 0 0 0.2 0.2 0 ...
## $ Profit : num 41.91 219.58 6.87 -383.03 2.52 ...
```

```
summary(df)
```

```
##           Ship.Mode           Segment           Country
## First Class :1538 Consumer :5191 United States:9994
## Same Day : 543 Corporate :3020
## Second Class :1945 Home Office:1783
## Standard Class:5968
##
```

```
##
##
##      City      State      Postal.Code      Region
## New York City: 915 California :2001 Min. : 1040 Central:2323
## Los Angeles : 747 New York :1128 1st Qu.:23223 East :2848
## Philadelphia : 537 Texas : 985 Median :56431 South :1620
## San Francisco: 510 Pennsylvania: 587 Mean :55190 West :3203
## Seattle : 428 Washington : 506 3rd Qu.:90008
## Houston : 377 Illinois : 492 Max. :99301
## (Other) :6480 (Other) :4295
##      Category      Sub.Category      Sales      Quantity
## Furniture :2121 Binders :1523 Min. : 0.444 Min. : 1.00
## Office Supplies:6026 Paper :1370 1st Qu.: 17.280 1st Qu.: 2.00
## Technology :1847 Furnishings: 957 Median : 54.490 Median : 3.00
## Phones : 889 Mean : 229.858 Mean : 3.79
## Storage : 846 3rd Qu.: 209.940 3rd Qu.: 5.00
## Art : 796 Max. :22638.480 Max. :14.00
## (Other) :3613
##      Discount      Profit
## Min. :0.0000 Min. : -6599.978
## 1st Qu.:0.0000 1st Qu.: 1.729
## Median :0.2000 Median : 8.666
## Mean :0.1562 Mean : 28.657
## 3rd Qu.:0.2000 3rd Qu.: 29.364
## Max. :0.8000 Max. : 8399.976
##
```

Data preparation and Cleaning

Checking for abnormalities:

```
#any null values?
is.null(df)
```

```
## [1] FALSE
```

```
#any duplicacy?
dfnew <- df %>% distinct() ##yes, duplicates were removed
```

We see that there is an outlier in the Sales feature, an unusual hike. Let's replace it with the mean of sales.

```
maxSales <- max(dfnew$Sales)
dfnew$Sales <- replace(dfnew$Sales, dfnew$Sales==maxSales,mean(dfnew$Sales))
```

Removing country and Postal Codes feature

```
dfnew <- dfnew %>% select(-c(Country, Postal.Code))
```

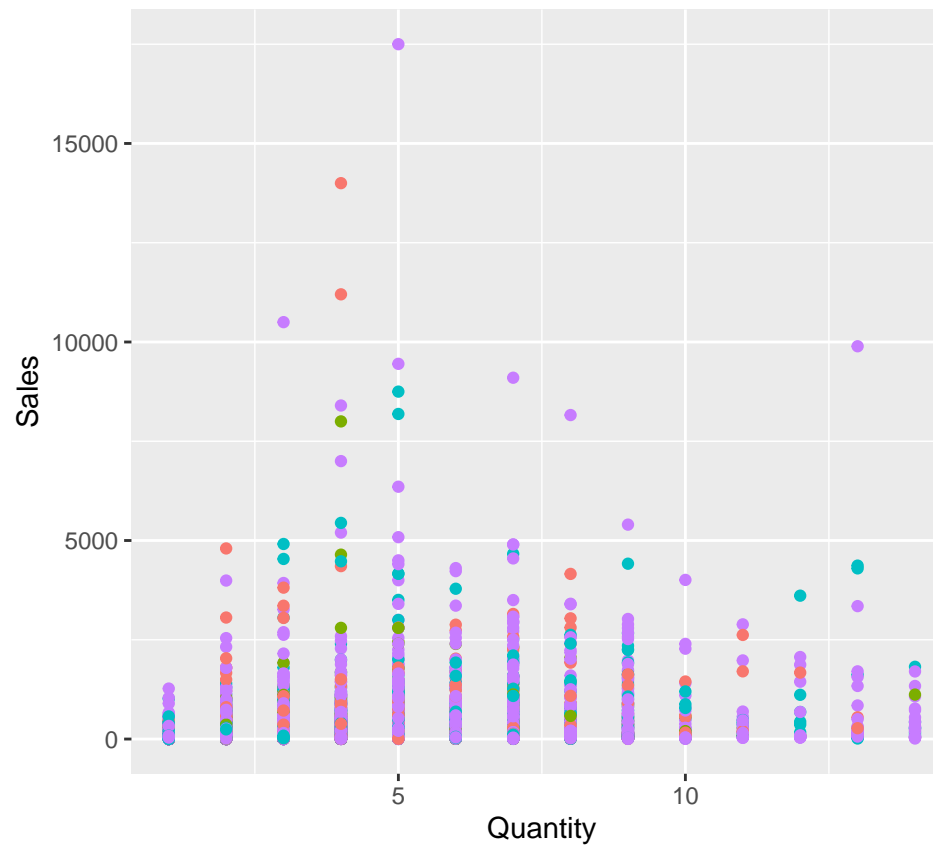
Visualization

Let's analyze patterns in our cleaned data

Sales vs Quantity

```
ggplot() + geom_point(data = dfnew, aes(x = Quantity, y = Sales, color = Ship.Mode))
```

In the below graph, we see the following pattern that most of the sales have been triggered by

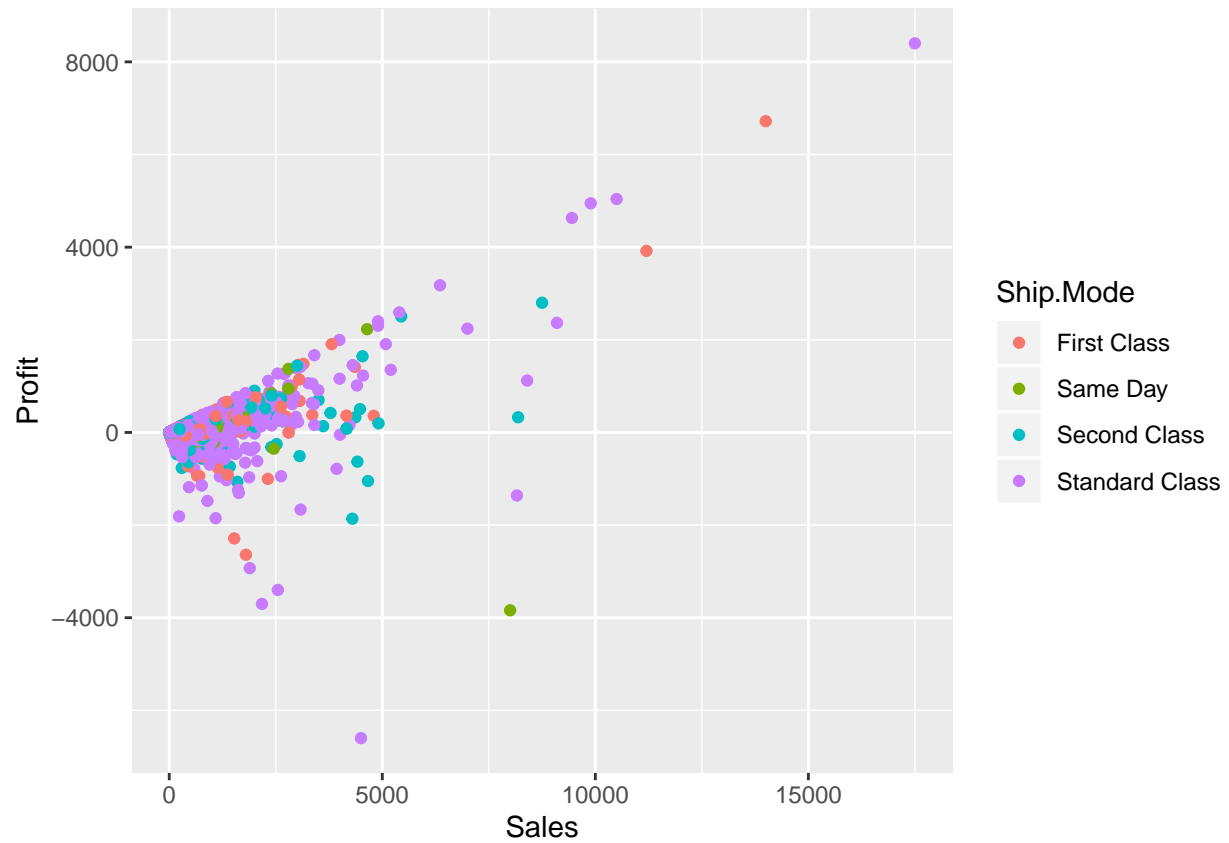


the standard class of shipment mode.

Sales vs Profit

And hence, obviously we see more profits/loss have been availed from the standard shipment class. But, there are not higher range profits seen this feature.

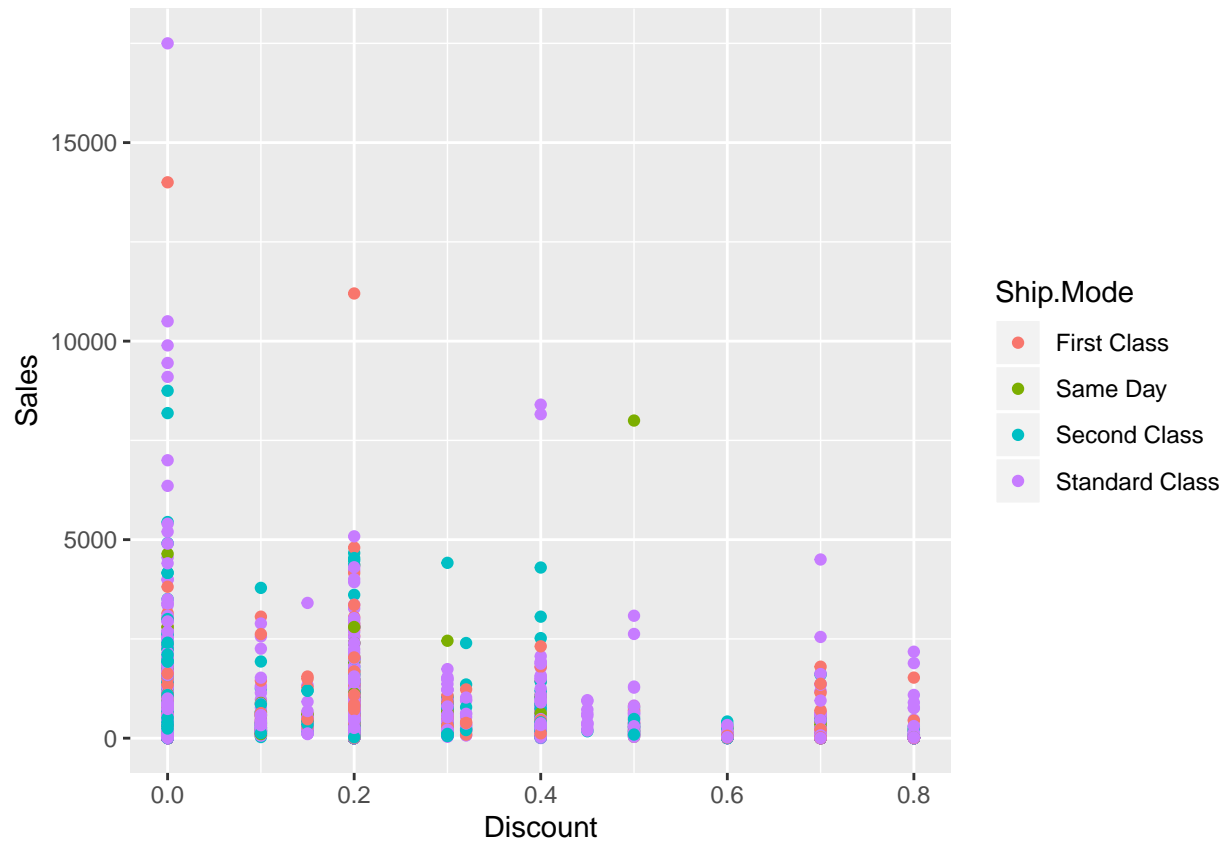
```
ggplot() + geom_point(data = dfnew, aes(x = Sales, y = Profit, color = Ship.Mode))
```



Sales vs Discount

Let us see how Sales are affected if discounts are offered.

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ggplot() + geom_point(data = dfnew, aes(x = Discount, y = Sales, color = Ship.Mode))
```

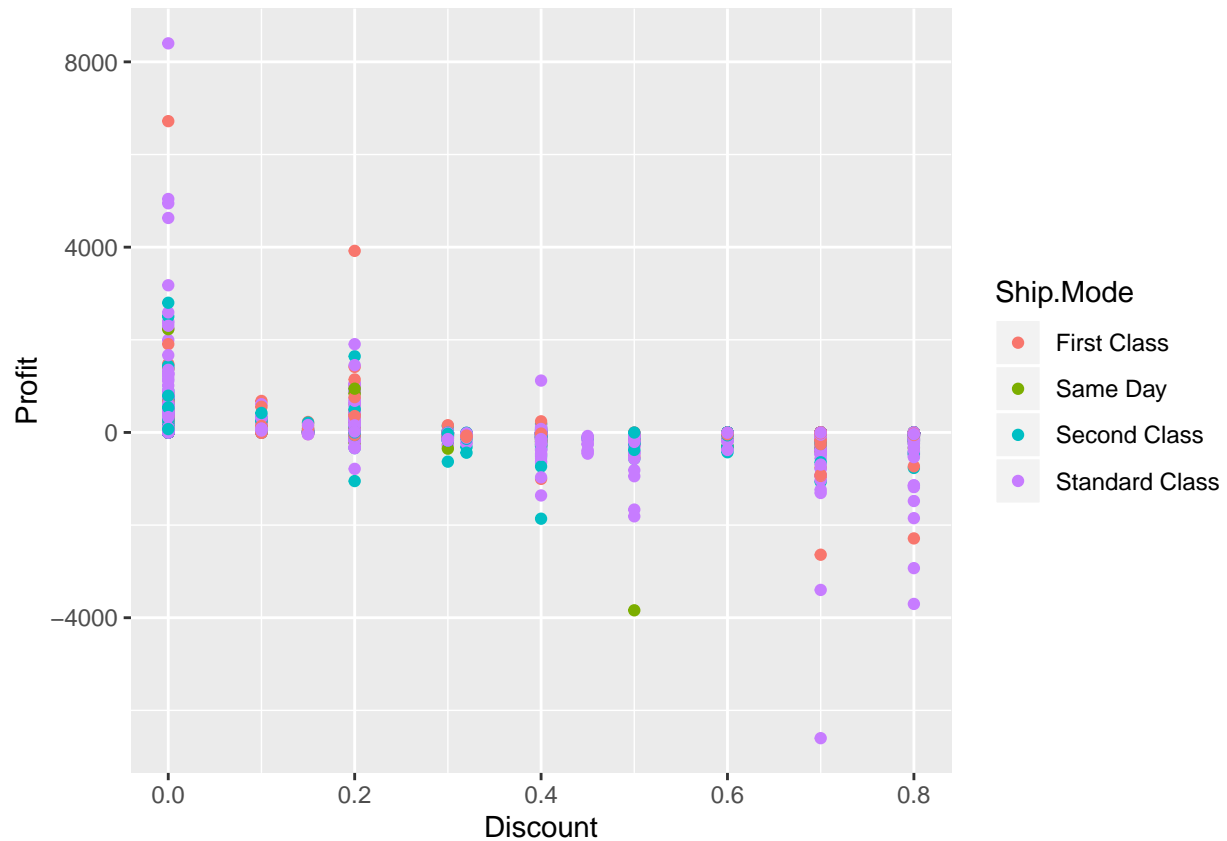


It is evident from the above graph that lesser discounts attract more sales. But, more discounts attract the Standard Class shipment. Same day shipment mode receive the least discount offers.

Profits vs Discount

Let's see if profits have been triggered if discounts have been redeemed.

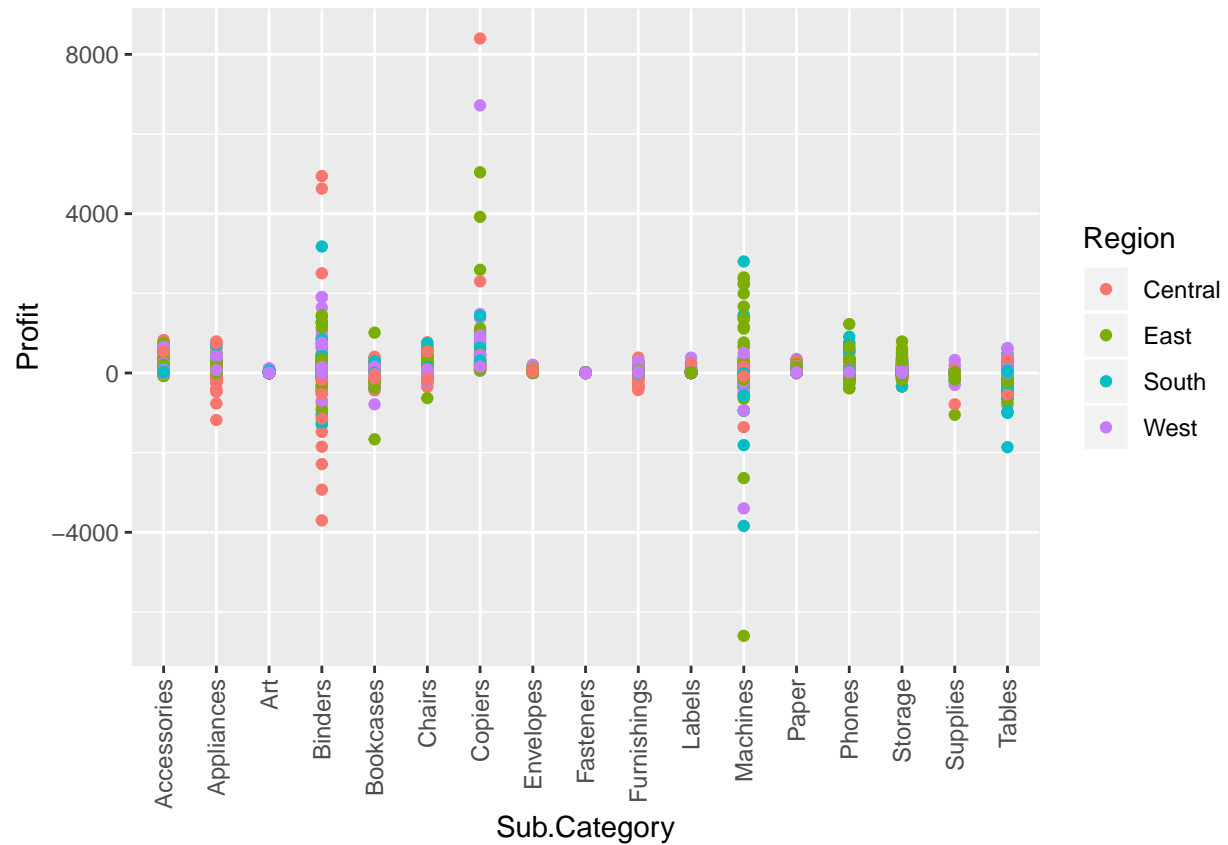
```
ggplot() + geom_point(data = dfnew, aes(x = Discount, y = Profit, color = Ship.Mode))
```



Yes, we see clearly, the more discounts have been offered and redeemed, the lesser profits the segments have achieved. Products with no discounts show high range of profits but as the discount range increases, we only see more and more loss with hardly any profit.

Let us see if this is the case with other segments

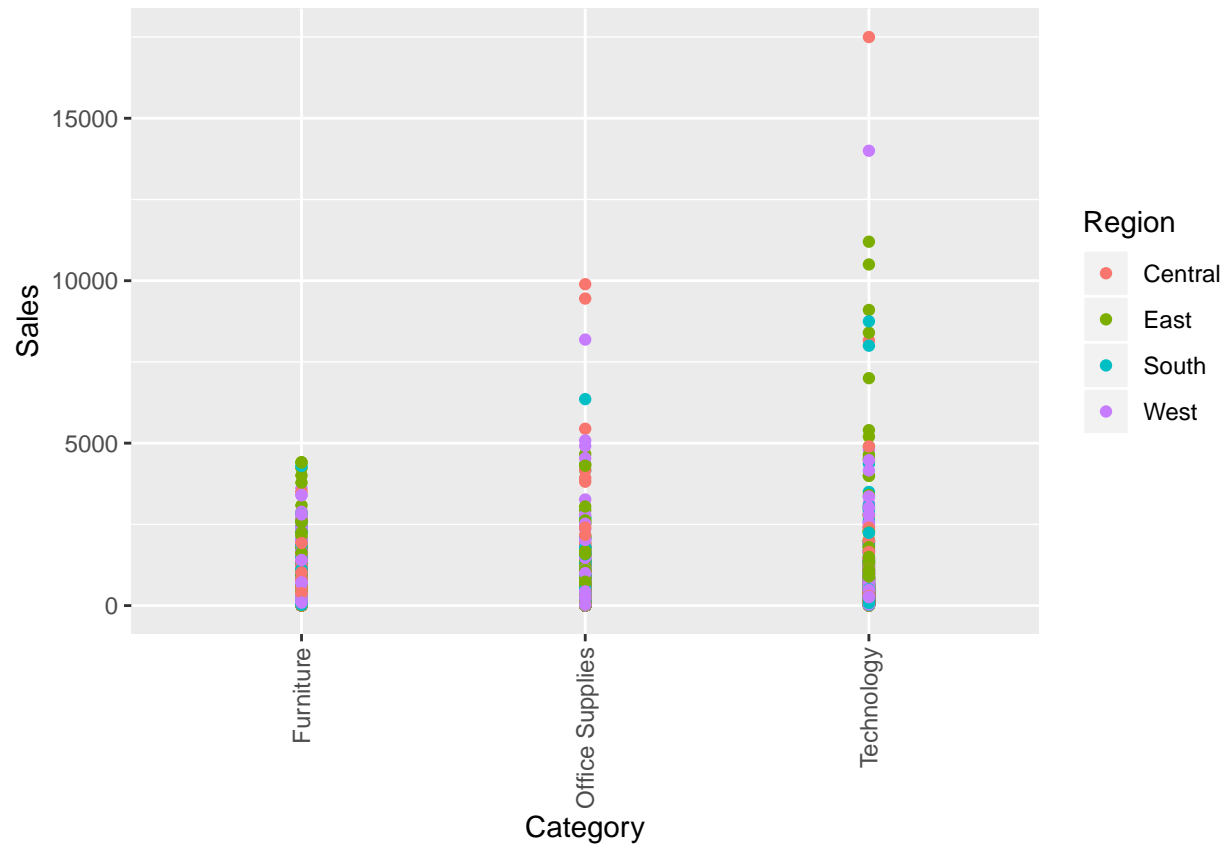
```
ggplot() + geom_point(data = dfnew, aes(x = Sub.Category, y = Profit, color = Region)) + theme(axis.text
```



We see that more losses have been incurred by the *Binders* industry mainly in the Central region and *Machines* industry.

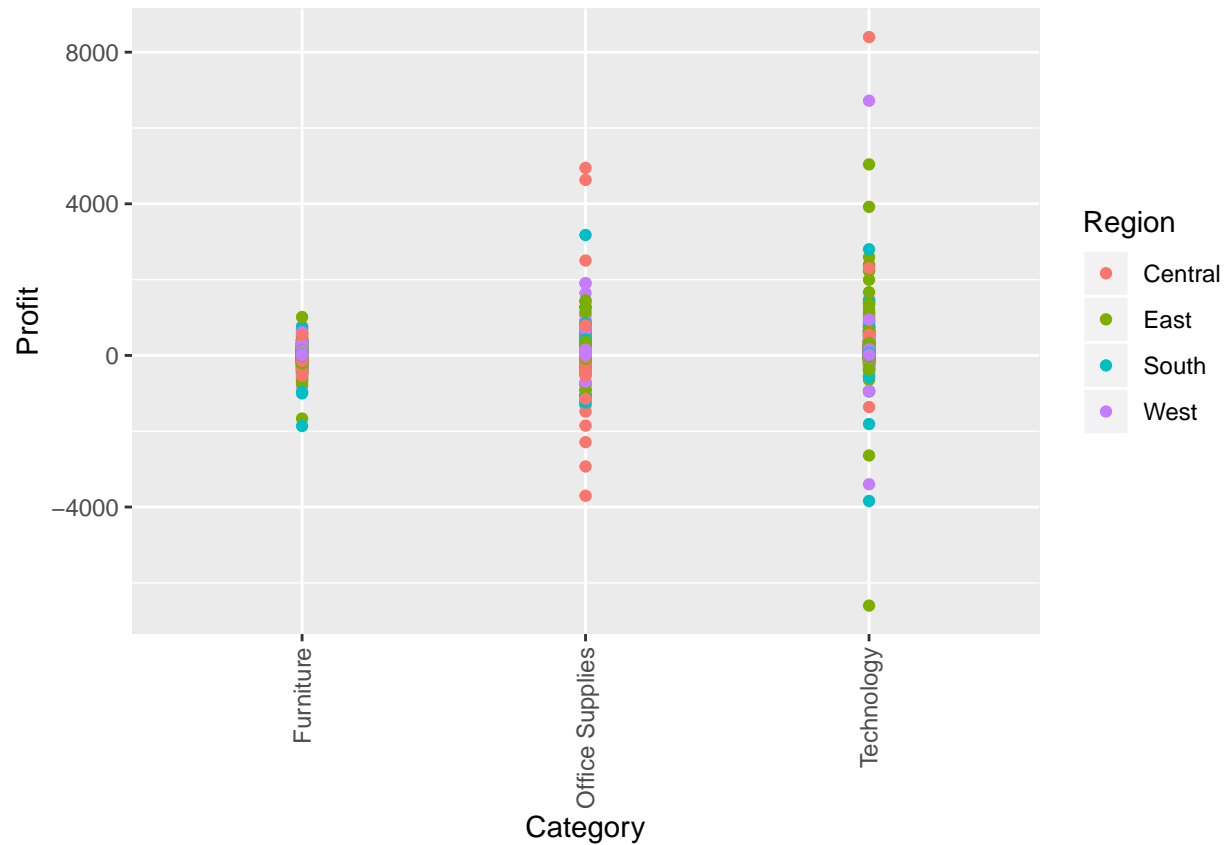
Now,

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ggplot() + geom_point(data = dfnew, aes(x = Category, y = Sales, color = Region)) + theme(axis.text.x =
```



More Sales have been derived from the technology category, then office supplies and then Furniture.

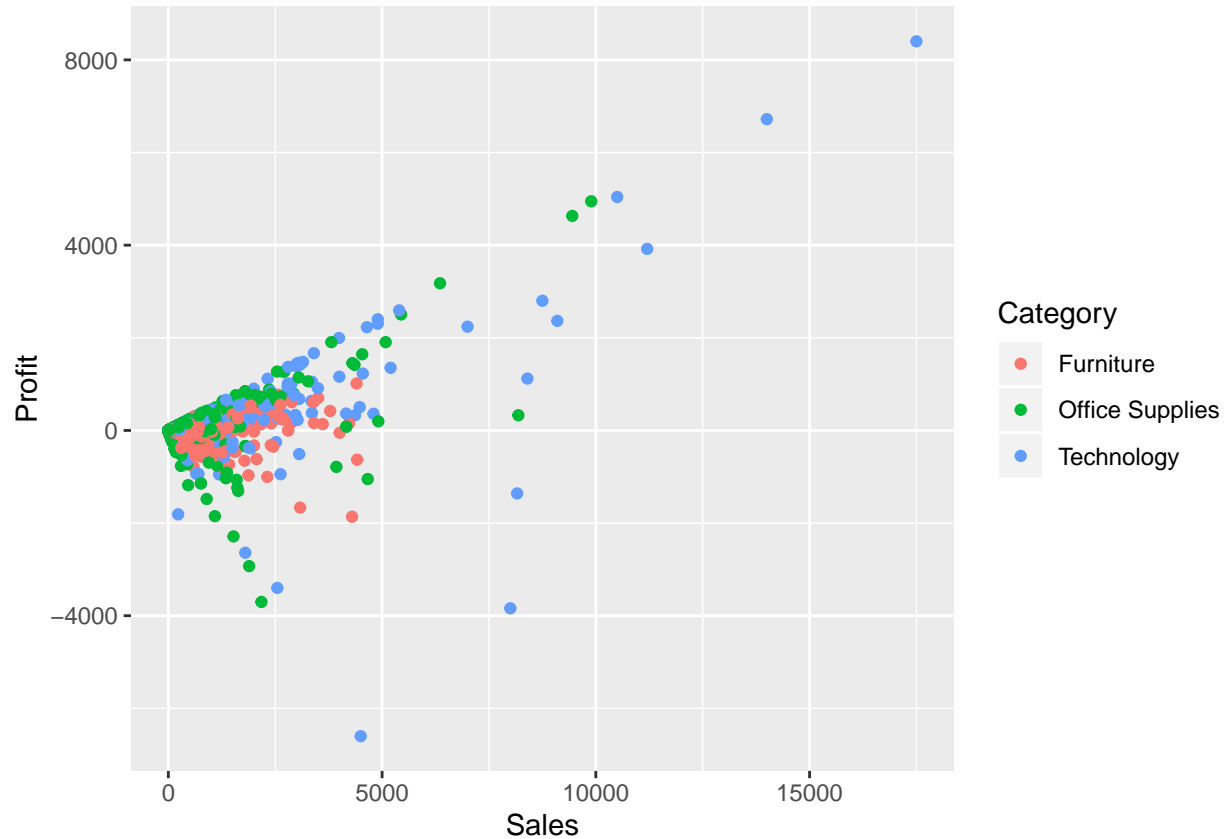
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ggplot() + geom_point(data = dfnew, aes(x = Category, y = Profit, color = Region)) + theme(axis.text.x =
```

The office supplies category incurs more loss in the central region, loss in the technology and Furniture category varies by region.

Since, Sales also vary from low to high in this category so is are profits.

```
ggplot() + geom_point(data = dfnew, aes(x = Sales, y = Profit, color = Category))
```



We have now witnessed from the above graphs that the Sales to Profit ratio is same in every category, no matter how they are clubbed.

Conclusion

Recommended Solutions/ Key Insights *Same day shipment if receives more discounts can trigger sales/profits. Discounts should be based on the Sales and should not increase a particular range otherwise unnecessary discounts with low sales can witness huge losses Binders and Machines industry should be focused upon more so as to strengthen these weakened areas. Office Supplies in the Central Region should be focused upon more to make up losses. Preferred solutions could be discounts/variety or kind of supplies being offered.*

THANK YOU!!