1. Supply Chain Analytics:

• Supplier Performance Analysis:

- Assess the reliability of suppliers based on lead time consistency, stock availability, and the impact of any delays on sales.
- Use metrics like on-time delivery rates, average lead time, and frequency of stock-outs to evaluate suppliers.

• Inventory Optimization:

- Use inventory levels, reorder points, and lead times to determine optimal stock quantities.
- Consider implementing demand forecasting models to better align inventory levels with sales trends and minimize stockouts or excess stock.

Lead Time Analysis:

- Analyze historical lead time data to identify bottlenecks and opportunities for reducing delays.
- Lead time analysis could help in adjusting reorder points or exploring alternative suppliers for quicker restocks.

2. Financial Analysis:

Profit Margin Analysis:

- Analyze how different pricing strategies (e.g., discount percentages) affect profit margins.
- Use financial metrics like unit cost, original price, and final price to evaluate product profitability.

Discount Impact on Sales:

- Measure how different discount percentages influence sales volume and overall revenue.
- Look at the elasticity of demand—how sales change when discount levels change—and find the optimal discount strategy.

Revenue Forecasting:

- Use historical revenue data, adjusted for seasonal trends and promotional events, to create predictive models for future revenue.
- Incorporate sales patterns to predict peaks in demand during holidays, summer, or promotional events.

3. Advanced Sales Analysis:

Seasonal Decomposition:

- Apply time series decomposition to identify seasonal components, trends, and residual noise in sales data.
- Use this analysis to forecast future sales, adjusting for seasonal and cyclic patterns (e.g., summer boost, holiday spikes).

• Holiday Impact Assessment:

- Assess how specific holidays (like Christmas, Thanksgiving, or New Year) influence sales volume.
- This can guide inventory planning, staffing decisions, and marketing efforts to take advantage of holiday-driven sales.

• Promotion Effectiveness:

- Evaluate the effectiveness of random promotional events on sales performance.
- Compare sales during promotional periods against regular periods to determine the lift provided by promotions.