DV AIRFLY INSIGHTS

About the dataset:

- The dataset has 484,551 rows and 29 columns.
- There are null values: (Dest_Airport: 1,479 missing),(Org_Airport: 1,177 missing)
- There are 2 duplicate rows

KPI's

- % Missing values reduced
- Duplicate records removed
- % of dataset retained after cleaning
- Preprocessing time reduced
- Delay Columns: ArrDelay,DepDelay,CarrierDelay,WeatherDelay,NASDelay,SecurityDelay,LateAircraftDelay
- Cancellation columns : Cancelled , CancellationCode

Cleaning Process

- 1. Import libraries
- 2. Load dataset
- 3. Check summary, datatypes, shape
- 4. Check for null values and replaced with mode value
- 5. Checked for duplicates and removed them
- 6. Converting Date format
- 7. Creating day, month, year, route columns

1. Handle nulls in delay and cancellation columns

- The delay-related columns (DepDelay, ArrDelay, etc.) and the cancellation column (Cancelled) are checked for missing values.
- Handled them by replacing with mode values
- This ensures that calculations like average delay or cancellation rates don't break because of NaN.

2. Create derived features: Month, Day of Week, Hour, Route

- From the datetime columns, extracted new categorical and numerical features:
 - o **Day,Month,Year** \rightarrow from Date column.
 - o **Route** \rightarrow a new feature created by combining Origin and Dest (e.g., "JFK-LAX").
- These derived features are useful for **pattern analysis** (like busiest month, delays by day, etc.).

3. Format datetime columns

• Columns like FlightDate, DepTime, ArrTime are converted into datetime.

Insights

- 1. Missing values in Org_Airport and Dest_Airport were filled with mode → No nulls left in these key categorical columns.
- 2. Duplicate rows were detected and removed \rightarrow dataset integrity improved.
- 3. New columns created: day, month, hour, route