Project Title: Building Expense Analysis & Unit Cost Attribution (1-Year)

Overview

This data analysis project aims to explore, clean, analyze, and visualize the operational expenses of a residential building across a one-year period. The core focus is on understanding cost distributions, identifying trends, and attributing expenses fairly across units.

Objectives

- Analyze building expenses across 12 months.
- Classify and generalize expense categories.
- Calculate per-unit cost shares, considering participation logic.
- Identify high/low-cost events and monthly patterns.
- Visualize and report trends for decision-making and reporting.

Data

Source: Manually cleaned Excel dataset prepared from monthly reports

Format: .xlsx, one sheet with standardized structure

Fields:

- Month
- Cost (type of expense)
- Amount (in Toman)
- Date (not used in analysis due to format)

• Units involve (e.g., "All", "But 1,3")

Data Cleaning & Preprocessing

- Converted Amount to integer and removed formatting.
- Standardized Cost descriptions

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(e.g., typo fix: Electriciy Bill → Electricity Bill).
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- Created a new field Cost Category to group costs into general types:
 - o Cleaning, Utilities, Repairs, Elevator Maintenance, etc.
- Parsed Units involve to compute unit-specific shares:
 - \circ "All" \rightarrow shared by all 11 units.
 - \circ "But 1,3" \rightarrow shared by units 2,4–11 only.
- Created:
 - o Other Units Share: amount for each of the 9 participating units.
 - Unit 1&3 Share: amount for each of those 2 units.

1. Total Paid by Each Unit

Unit	Total Paid (Toman)
Unit 1	1,953,402
Unit 3	1,953,402

★ Units 1 & 3 pay less due to exclusion from elevator costs.

2. Total Cost by Category

Category	Total Amount	Frequenc y
Cleaning	7.24M	18
Elevator Maintenance	5.65M	13
Repairs		

3. Extremes

- **Water Bill Dey 403 Water Bill Dey 403**
- **Lowest single expense**: 40,000 Toman (Cleaning Shahrivar 403)

4. Monthly Trends (Pivot Analysis)

- Cleaning was consistently recurring each month.
- Elevator Maintenance showed spikes in Tir & Ordibehesht.
- Utility bills (electricity/water) had the highest totals among fixed costs.

Visualizations

- 1. **Bar chart** Total paid per unit
- 2. **Pie chart** Cost distribution by category

- 3. **Line chart** Monthly trend per cost category
- 4. **Stacked bar chart** Frequency of cost categories by month

X Tools Used

- Python, pandas, matplotlib
- Excel (initial manual data cleaning)
- Power BI for Dashboard visualization