Porter is India's Largest Marketplace for Intra-City Logistics. Leader in the country's \$40 billion intra-city logistics market, Porter strives to improve the lives of 1,50,000+ driver-partners by providing them with consistent earning & independence. Currently, the company has serviced 5+ million customers

Porter works with a wide range of restaurants for delivering their items directly to the people.

Porter has a number of delivery partners available for delivering the food, from various restaurants and wants to get an estimated delivery time that it can provide the customers on the basis of what they are ordering, from where and also the delivery partners.

This dataset has the required data to train a regression model that will do the delivery time estimation, based on all those features

Dataset: Porter data

Data Dictionary

Each row in this file corresponds to one unique delivery. Each column corresponds to a feature as explained below.

- market_id: integer id for the market where the restaurant lies created_at: the timestamp at which the order was placed
- actual_delivery_time: the timestamp when the order was delivered store_primary_category: category for the restaurant
- order_protocol: integer code value for order protocol(how the order was placed ie: through porter, call to restaurant, pre booked, third part etc)
- total_items subtotal: final price of the order
- num_distinct_items: the number of distinct items in the order
- min_item_price : price of the cheapest item in the order
- max_item_price: price of the costliest item in order
- total_onshift_partners: number of delivery partners on duty at the time order was placed
- total_busy_partners: number of delivery partners attending to other tasks
- total_outstanding_orders: total number of orders to be fulfilled at the moment Process

Import the data and understand the structure of the data: usual exploratory analysis steps like checking the structure & characteristics of the dataset Data preprocessing Cleaning of data Feature engineering: Creating the target column time taken in each delivery from order timestamp (created_at) and delivery timestamp (actual_delivery_time) Getting hour of day from the order time and also the day of the week Understanding pandas datetime data type and what function it provides by default Get delivery time in minutes Handling null values Encoding categorical columns Data visualization and cleaning Visualize various columns for better understanding Countplots, scatterplots Check if the data contains outliers Removing outliers by any method Plotting the data again to see if anything has improved Split the data in train and test Scaling the data for neural networks. Creating a simple neural network Trying different configurations Understanding different activation functions, optimizers and other hyperparameters. Training the neural network for required amount of epochs Plotting the losses and checking the accuracy of the model Checking its various metrics like MSE, RMSE, MAE

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
# for visualizing and analyzing it
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
# data preprocessing
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
# random forest model training
from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error
from sklearn.metrics import r2 score
from sklearn.metrics import mean absolute percentage error
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
# ann training
from tensorflow.keras import Model
from tensorflow.keras import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import Adam
from tensorflow.keras.layers import
Dense, Dropout, BatchNormalization, LeakyReLU
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
from tensorflow.keras.losses import MeanSquaredError
from tensorflow.keras.losses import MeanSquaredLogarithmicError
from tensorflow.keras.losses import MeanAbsolutePercentageError
from tensorflow.keras.metrics import RootMeanSquaredError
from tensorflow.keras.metrics import MeanAbsoluteError
from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import SGD,Adam
from google.colab import files
uploaded = files.upload()
<IPython.core.display.HTML object>
Saving dataset.csv.zip to dataset.csv (1).zip
df = pd.read csv('dataset.csv.zip')
df.head()
{"type":"dataframe", "variable name":"df"}
df.tail()
{"repr error": "0", "type": "dataframe"}
              # Check the shape of the dataset: To know the number of
rows and columns.
(197428, 14)
```

```
df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 197428 entries, 0 to 197427
Data columns (total 14 columns):
     Column
                               Non-Null Count
                                                 Dtvpe
     _ _ _ _ _
                                                 float64
 0
     market id
                               196441 non-null
 1
     created at
                               197428 non-null
                                                 object
 2
     actual delivery time
                               197421 non-null
                                                 object
 3
     store id
                               197428 non-null
                                                 object
 4
     store_primary_category
                               192668 non-null
                                                 object
 5
     order protocol
                               196433 non-null
                                                 float64
 6
     total items
                               197428 non-null
                                                 int64
                                                 int64
 7
                               197428 non-null
    subtotal
 8
    num distinct items
                               197428 non-null
                                                 int64
 9
    min item price
                               197428 non-null
                                                 int64
10 max item price
                               197428 non-null
                                                 int64
11 total_onshift_partners
                               181166 non-null
                                                 float64
 12
    total busy partners
                               181166 non-null
                                                 float64
13
    total outstanding orders 181166 non-null float64
dtypes: float64(5), int64(5), object(4)
memory usage: 21.1+ MB
```

Data preprocessing

```
df['created at']=pd.to datetime(df['created at'])
df['actual_delivery_time']=pd.to_datetime(df['actual_delivery_time'])
df['time taken']=df['actual delivery time'] - df['created at']
df.head()
{"type": "dataframe", "variable name": "df"}
df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 197428 entries, 0 to 197427
Data columns (total 15 columns):
#
     Column
                                Non-Null Count
                                                 Dtvpe
- - -
 0
     market id
                                196441 non-null
                                                 float64
 1
     created at
                                197428 non-null
                                                 datetime64[ns]
 2
     actual delivery time
                                197421 non-null
                                                 datetime64[ns]
 3
     store id
                                197428 non-null
                                                 object
 4
     store_primary_category
                                192668 non-null
                                                 object
 5
     order_protocol
                                196433 non-null
                                                 float64
 6
     total items
                                197428 non-null
                                                 int64
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7
     subtotal
                               197428 non-null
                                                int64
 8
     num distinct items
                               197428 non-null
                                                int64
 9
    min item price
                               197428 non-null
                                                int64
                                                int64
 10 max item price
                               197428 non-null
 11 total onshift partners
                               181166 non-null float64
12
    total busy partners
                               181166 non-null
                                                float64
13
    total outstanding orders
                               181166 non-null float64
    time taken
                               197421 non-null timedelta64[ns]
14
dtypes: datetime64[ns](2), float64(5), int64(5), object(2),
timedelta64[ns](1)
memory usage: 22.6+ MB
df['time taken mins'] =
pd.to timedelta(df['time taken'])/pd.Timedelta('60s')
df.head()
{"type":"dataframe", "variable name":"df"}
df['hour'] = df['created at'].dt.hour
df['day'] = df['created at'].dt.dayofweek
df.head()
{"type": "dataframe", "variable name": "df"}
df.drop(['time taken','created at','actual delivery time'],axis =
1, inplace = True)
```

Checking null values in the data

```
df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 197428 entries, 0 to 197427
Data columns (total 15 columns):
#
     Column
                               Non-Null Count
                                                 Dtype
                                                 float64
 0
     market id
                               196441 non-null
     store id
 1
                               197428 non-null
                                                 obiect
 2
     store primary category
                               192668 non-null
                                                 object
 3
     order_protocol
                               196433 non-null
                                                 float64
 4
     total items
                               197428 non-null
                                                 int64
 5
                               197428 non-null
     subtotal
                                                 int64
 6
     num distinct items
                               197428 non-null
                                                 int64
 7
     min item price
                               197428 non-null
                                                 int64
 8
     max_item_price
                               197428 non-null
                                                 int64
 9
     total onshift partners
                               181166 non-null
                                                 float64
 10
    total busy partners
                               181166 non-null
                                                 float64
 11
    total outstanding orders
                               181166 non-null
                                                 float64
 12
                               197421 non-null
                                                 float64
    time taken mins
```

```
13
                                197428 non-null
     hour
                                                  int32
 14
                                197428 non-null int32
     day
dtypes: float64(6), int32(2), int64(5), object(2)
memory usage: 21.1+ MB
df.isna().sum()
market id
                               987
store id
                                 0
store primary category
                              4760
order protocol
                               995
total items
                                 0
                                 0
subtotal
                                 0
num distinct items
min item price
                                 0
max item price
total onshift partners
                             16262
total_busy_partners
                             16262
total outstanding orders
                             16262
time_taken mins
                                 0
hour
                                 0
day
dtype: int64
```

Drop Missing Values:

Fill Missing Values:

You can fill missing values with a default value, mean/median, or using forward/backward fill:

```
df['market_id'].fillna(df['market_id'].mean(), inplace=True)
df['store_primary_category'].fillna('Unknown', inplace=True)
```

Imputation with Statistical Methods:

For numerical columns like total_onshift_partners, total_busy_partners, total_outstanding_orders, you can use mean or median imputation:

```
from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer

imputer = SimpleImputer(strategy='mean')

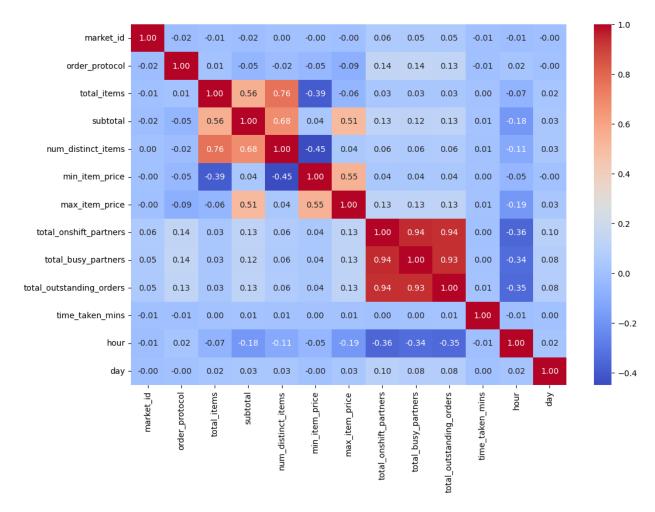
df[['total_onshift_partners', 'total_busy_partners',
'total_outstanding_orders']] =
imputer.fit_transform(df[['total_onshift_partners',
'total_busy_partners', 'total_outstanding_orders']])
```

```
df['order protocol'].fillna(df['order protocol'].median(),
inplace=True)
df['time taken mins'].fillna(df['time taken mins'].mean(),
inplace=True)
df.isna().sum()
market id
                             0
store id
                             0
                             0
store primary category
order_protocol
                             0
                             0
total items
                             0
subtotal
                             0
num distinct items
                             0
min item price
max item price
                             0
                             0
total onshift partners
total_busy_partners
                             0
                             0
total outstanding orders
                             0
time taken mins
                             0
hour
                             0
day
dtype: int64
df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 197428 entries, 0 to 197427
Data columns (total 15 columns):
#
     Column
                                Non-Null Count
                                                  Dtype
- - -
 0
     market id
                                197428 non-null
                                                  float64
1
     store id
                                197428 non-null
                                                  object
 2
     store primary category
                                197428 non-null
                                                  object
 3
                                197428 non-null
     order protocol
                                                  float64
 4
     total items
                                197428 non-null
                                                  int64
 5
     subtotal
                                197428 non-null
                                                  int64
 6
     num distinct items
                                197428 non-null
                                                  int64
     min item_price
                                197428 non-null
 7
                                                  int64
 8
     max item price
                                197428 non-null
                                                  int64
 9
     total onshift partners
                                197428 non-null
                                                  float64
 10
    total_busy_partners
                                197428 non-null
                                                  float64
 11
    total outstanding orders
                                197428 non-null
                                                  float64
 12
     time taken mins
                                197428 non-null
                                                  float64
13
     hour
                                197428 non-null
                                                  int32
 14
     day
                                197428 non-null
                                                  int32
dtypes: float64(6), int32(2), int64(5), object(2)
memory usage: 21.1+ MB
```

Heatmap

Plotting correlation to get an idea of the data

```
non numeric columns = df.select dtypes(include=['object']).columns
print(non numeric columns)
Index(['store id', 'store primary category'], dtype='object')
# Drop non-numeric columns
df numeric = df.drop(columns=non numeric columns)
# Or convert specific columns to numeric, if they are categorical
df['store id'] = df['store id'].astype('category').cat.codes
df['store_primary_category'] =
df['store primary category'].astype('category').cat.codes
# Set the figure size
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
# Generate the correlation matrix
corr matrix = df numeric.corr()
# Plot the heatmap with increased font size for annotations
sns.heatmap(corr_matrix, annot=True, fmt=".2f", cmap='coolwarm',
annot kws={"size": 10})
# Show the plot
plt.show()
```



From the correlation matrix, here are some key insights:

- 1. High Positive Correlations:
- total_items and num_distinct_items have a strong positive correlation (0.76), suggesting that as the number of items increases, the number of distinct items also tends to increase.
- total_busy_partners is highly correlated with total_onshift_partners (0.94) and total_outstanding_orders (0.93), indicating that when the number of on-shift partners increases, the number of busy partners and outstanding orders also tends to rise.
- subtotal shows a high correlation with total_items (0.68) and num_distinct_items (0.68), implying that higher totals and distinct items contribute to a higher subtotal.
- 1. Moderate Positive Correlations:
- max_item_price has a moderate correlation with total_items (0.51), which could mean that orders with more items tend to include items with higher maximum prices.
- min_item_price is moderately negatively correlated with num_distinct_items (-0.45), suggesting that orders with more distinct items may have a lower minimum price per item.
- 1. Low to Negligible Correlations:

- Variables like market_id, order_protocol, hour, and day generally show weak correlations with most other variables, suggesting these may have a limited or insignificant direct impact on the other metrics.
- 1. Negative Correlations:
- The hour variable has a moderate negative correlation with total_onshift_partners (-0.36), total_busy_partners (-0.34), and total_outstanding_orders (-0.35). This may indicate that at certain times of the day, there are fewer partners available or fewer outstanding orders.

Overall, this correlation matrix helps identify which variables are most likely to influence each other and could guide further analysis or feature selection in predictive modeling.

Encoding categorical columns

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
# Initialize the LabelEncoder
label_encoder = LabelEncoder()
# Apply Label Encoding to 'store id' and 'store primary category'
df['store id'] = label encoder.fit transform(df['store id'])
df['store primary category'] =
label encoder.fit transform(df['store primary category'])
df.head()
{"type":"dataframe", "variable name":"df"}
df.dtypes
              # Check the data types of each column: This helps in
identifying categorical and numerical features.
market id
                             float64
store id
                              int64
store primary category
                               int64
order_protocol
                             float64
total items
                              int64
subtotal
                              int64
num distinct items
                              int64
min item price
                              int64
                              int64
max_item_price
total onshift partners
                            float64
total busy partners
                            float64
total outstanding orders
                            float64
time_taken mins
                             float64
hour
                               int32
                               int32
day
dtype: object
```

Summary statistics: For numerical columns, use describe() to get a statistical summary.

```
df.describe() # Provides summary statistics (count, mean, std, min,
25%, 50%, 75%, max) for numeric columns in a DataFrame.
{"summary":"{\n \"name\": \"df\",\n \"rows\": 8,\n \"fields\": [\n \"column\": \"market_id\",\n \"properties\": {\n \"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\": 69800.30342154758,\n \"min\": 1.0,\n \"max\": 197428.0,\n
\"num_unique_values\": 8,\n \"samples\": [\n 2.978706074597462,\n 3.0,\n 197428.0\n ],\n \"semantic_type\": \"\",\n \"description\": \"\"\n }\n }\n \\"column\": \"store_id\",\n \"properties\":
{\n \"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\": 68687.4888866806,\\
n \"min\": 0.0,\n \"max\": 197428.0,\n
\"num_unique_values\": 8,\n \"samples\": [\n
3463.4580353344004,\n 3513.0,\n 197428.0\
            ],\n \"semantic type\": \"\",\n
\"description\": \"\"\n }\n }\n {\n \"column\": \"store_primary_category\",\n \"properties\": {\n \"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\": 69789.0033545634,\n \"min\": 0.0,\n \"max\": 197428.0,\n
n \"num_unique_values\": 7,\n \"samples\": [\n 197428.0,\n 2.882944668436088,\n 4.0\n
                                                                                            ],\n
n \"num_unique_values\": 8,\n \"samples\": [\n 3.196390582896043,\n 3.0,\n 197428.0\n ],\n \"semantic_type\": \"\",\n \"description\": \"\"\n }\
n },\n {\n \"column\": \"subtotal\",\n \"properties\":
{\n \"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\":
68428.68300026414,\n\\"min\": 0.0,\n\\\"max\\": 197428.0,\
n \"num_unique_values\": 8,\n \"samples\": [\n 2682.331401827502,\n 2200.0,\n 197428.0\n ]
n \"semantic_type\": \"\",\n \"description\": \"\"\n
n \"num_unique_values\": 7,\n \"samples\": [\n 197428.0,\n 2.6707913771096297,\n 3.0\n
                                                                                             ],\n
\"semantic_type\": \"\",\n \"description\": \"\"\n
```

```
686.2184695180015,\n 595.0,\n 197428.0\n ],\n \"semantic_type\": \"\",\n \"description\": \"\"\n }\
n },\n {\n \"column\": \"max_item_price\",\n \"properties\": {\n \"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\": 68978.09320015657,\n \"min\": 0.0,\n \"max\": 197428.0,\
n \"num_unique_values\": 8,\n \"samples\": [\n 1159.5886297789573,\n 1095.0,\n 197428.0\
n ],\n \"semantic_type\": \"\",\n
\"description\": \"\"\n }\n }\n {\n \"column\": \"total_onshift_partners\",\n \"properties\": {\n \"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\": 69782.8279056407,\n \"min\": -4.0,\n \"max\": 197428.0,\n
\"num_unique_values\": 8,\n \"samples\": [\n 44.808093130057514,\n 41.0,\n 1974
\"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\": 69798.10042036256,\n
\"min\": 0.0,\n \"max\": 197428.0,\n
\"num_unique_values\": 8,\n \"samples\": [\n
n },\n {\n \"column\": \"day\",\n \"properties\": {\n
\"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\": 69800.3153008562,\n \\"min\": 0.0,\n \"max\": 197428.0,\n \\"num_unique_values\": 8,\n \"samples\": [\n 3.2189659014932026,\n 3.0,\n 197428.0\n
                                                                                   ],\n
```

Check for missing values: This is crucial to understand the quality of the data.

```
# Returns the count of missing (NaN) values in
df.isnull().sum()
each column of the DataFrame.
market id
                             0
store id
                             0
store_primary_category
order_protocol
                             0
total items
                             0
subtotal
                             0
                             0
num distinct items
                             0
min item price
                             0
max_item_price
                             0
total onshift partners
total busy partners
                             0
                             0
total outstanding orders
time taken mins
                             0
                             0
hour
                             0
day
dtype: int64
```

Check for unique values in categorical columns: This helps in understanding the distribution of categorical features.

```
for col in df.select_dtypes(include='object').columns: # select the
  categorical columns
    print(f'{col}: {df[col].nunique()} unique values')
```

Get an overview of categorical data: Use value_counts() to see the distribution of values.

```
for col in df.select_dtypes(include='object').columns:
    print(df[col].value_counts())
```

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):

Correlation Matrix: To understand the relationship between numerical features.

```
# Select only the numerical features
numerical_features = df.select_dtypes(include=[np.number])
correlation_matrix = numerical_features.corr()
print(correlation_matrix)
```

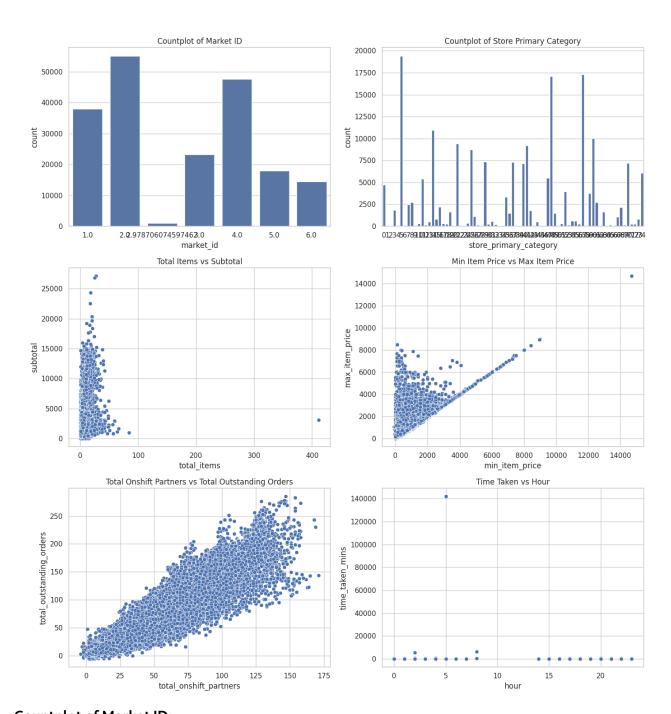
	market_id store_id store_primary_category
\ market_id	1.000000 -0.030107 0.026736
store_id	-0.030107 1.000000 0.021995
store_primary_category	0.026736 0.021995 1.000000
order_protocol	-0.021831 0.065247 0.084655
total_items	-0.006841 0.005976 -0.011428
subtotal	-0.016197 -0.001586 0.035062
num_distinct_items	0.002551 0.006766 -0.005269
min_item_price	-0.000150 -0.017519 0.019053
max_item_price	-0.004910 -0.019271 0.007541
total_onshift_partners	0.058207 0.035199 0.079800
total_busy_partners	0.050480 0.037081 0.081149
total_outstanding_orders	0.053212 0.033169 0.079334
time_taken_mins	-0.005784 -0.002001 0.000674
hour	-0.013846 0.013856 -0.028821
day	-0.002489 -0.002393 -0.016756
market_id store_id store_primary_category order_protocol total_items subtotal num_distinct_items min_item_price max_item_price total_onshift_partners total_busy_partners total_outstanding_orders time_taken_mins hour day	order_protocol total_items subtotal \ -0.021831
	num_distinct_items min_item_price

<pre>max_item_price \</pre>		
market_id 0.004910	0.002551	-0.000150 -
store id	0.006766	-0.017519 -
0.019271	01000700	0101/313
store_primary_category	-0.005269	0.019053
0.007541		
order_protocol	-0.023292	-0.045312 -
0.090714		
total_items	0.763912	-0.393149 -
0.058233 subtotal	0.681101	0.037038
0.505547	0.001101	0.037036
num distinct items	1.000000	-0.448739
0.041871	1.000000	0.440755
min item price	-0.448739	1.000000
0.545484		
<pre>max_item_price</pre>	0.041871	0.545484
1.000000		
total_onshift_partners	0.063054	0.040527
0.128294		2 2 4 4 2 7 4
total_busy_partners	0.057981	0.041974
0.126263	0.064829	0.039220
total_outstanding_orders 0.125946	0.004829	0.039220
time taken mins	0.006741	0.004762
0.009409	01000711	0.001702
hour	-0.114275	-0.050562 -
0.186417		
day	0.029227	-0.000168
0.029536		
	total onshift partners	total busy partners
\	totat_onsnii t_partners	totat_busy_partners
market_id	0.058207	0.050480
-		
store_id	0.035199	0.037081
store_primary_category	0.079800	0.081149
Store_primary_category	0.079800	0.001149
order protocol	0.139597	0.143988
total_items	0.030471	0.027465
	0 125752	0 120602
subtotal	0.125753	0.120692
num_distinct_items	0.063054	0.057981
a_5 c_116 c	0.003034	0.037301
min_item_price	0.040527	0.041974
max item price	0.128294	0.126263

total_onshift_partners	1.000000	0.943789
total_busy_partners	0.943789	1.000000
total_outstanding_orders	0.936122	0.932913
time_taken_mins	0.003855	0.004976
hour	-0.359284	-0.335679
day	0.097687	0.081655
have	total_outstanding_orders	time_taken_mins
hour \ market_id 0.013846	0.053212	-0.005784 -
store_id 0.013856	0.033169	-0.002001
store_primary_category 0.028821	0.079334	0.000674 -
order_protocol 0.015785	0.129855	-0.006662
total_items 0.066481	0.033014	0.004905 -
subtotal 0.184392	0.125056	0.011200 -
<pre>num_distinct_items 0.114275</pre>	0.064829	0.006741 -
<pre>min_item_price 0.050562</pre>	0.039220	0.004762 -
<pre>max_item_price 0.186417</pre>	0.125946	0.009409 -
total_onshift_partners 0.359284	0.936122	0.003855 -
total_busy_partners 0.335679	0.932913	0.004976 -
total_outstanding_orders 0.347452	1.000000	0.010036 -
time_taken_mins 0.010526	0.010036	1.000000 -
hour 1.000000	-0.347452	-0.010526
day 0.018919	0.083147	0.002857
market_id store_id	day -0.002489 -0.002393	

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-0.016756
store_primary_category
order protocol
                         -0.000957
total items
                          0.021815
subtotal
                          0.032035
num distinct items
                          0.029227
min item price
                         -0.000168
max item price
                          0.029536
total onshift partners
                          0.097687
total busy partners
                          0.081655
total outstanding orders 0.083147
time taken mins
                          0.002857
hour
                          0.018919
                          1.000000
day
# Setting plot style
sns.set(style="whitegrid")
# Visualizations
fig, axes = plt.subplots(3, 2, figsize=(14, 16))
fig.suptitle('Data Visualization', fontsize=16)
# Countplot for 'market id'
sns.countplot(x='market id', data=df, ax=axes[0, 0])
axes[0, 0].set title('Countplot of Market ID')
# Countplot for 'store primary category'
sns.countplot(x='store primary category', data=df, ax=axes[0, 1])
axes[0, 1].set title('Countplot of Store Primary Category')
# Scatterplot for 'total items' vs 'subtotal'
sns.scatterplot(x='total_items', y='subtotal', data=df, ax=axes[1, 0])
axes[1, 0].set title('Total Items vs Subtotal')
# Scatterplot for 'min item price' vs 'max_item_price'
sns.scatterplot(x='min_item_price', y='max_item_price', data=df,
ax=axes[1, 1])
axes[1, 1].set title('Min Item Price vs Max Item Price')
# Scatterplot for 'total onshift partners' vs
'total outstanding orders'
sns.scatterplot(x='total onshift partners',
y='total outstanding orders', data=df, ax=axes[2, 0])
axes[2, 0].set title('Total Onshift Partners vs Total Outstanding
Orders')
# Scatterplot for 'time taken mins' vs 'hour'
sns.scatterplot(x='hour', y='time_taken_mins', data=df, ax=axes[2, 1])
axes[2, 1].set_title('Time Taken vs Hour')
```

Data Visualization



Countplot of Market ID:

Market ID 2.0 has the highest count, indicating it has the most records in the dataset. Market IDs 4.0, and 6.0 have relatively lower counts, suggesting fewer records or activities associated with these markets. Countplot of Store Primary Category:

There are many different store categories, but only a few have significantly higher counts. Categories like 0, 2, and 8 have the highest number of stores, while many other categories have very low counts, indicating they are less common.

Total Items vs. Subtotal Scatter Plot:

There's a dense cluster of points towards the lower left of the graph, suggesting that most orders have a smaller number of total items and a lower subtotal. A few outliers exist with high subtotals but a varying number of items, indicating some expensive items or bulk purchases.

Min Item Price vs. Max Item Price Scatter Plot:

The plot shows a positive linear relationship between the minimum and maximum item prices, suggesting that stores with higher minimum prices also tend to have higher maximum prices. There are a few outliers where the maximum price is significantly higher than the minimum, indicating a diverse price range within those stores.

Total Onshift Partners vs. Total Outstanding Orders Scatter Plot:

There's a strong positive correlation between the total number of onshift partners and the total number of outstanding orders. This indicates that as the number of available partners increases, the number of outstanding orders also increases, possibly due to higher demand or busier times.

Time Taken vs. Hour Scatter Plot:

Most data points are concentrated at lower hours, suggesting the majority of orders occur within a certain time range. However, there are some extreme outliers in the "Time Taken" axis, indicating a few instances where the time taken is unusually high, which could be due to delays or other issues.

General Insights: The visualizations suggest variations in market activities, store types, item pricing, and operational metrics like the number of onshift partners and outstanding orders. Outliers in the data could indicate unique behaviors or anomalies that may require further investigation. Strong correlations in certain graphs (e.g., Total Onshift Partners vs. Total Outstanding Orders) suggest potential patterns that could be predictive of operational metrics.

Check if the data contains outliers

Removing outliers by any method

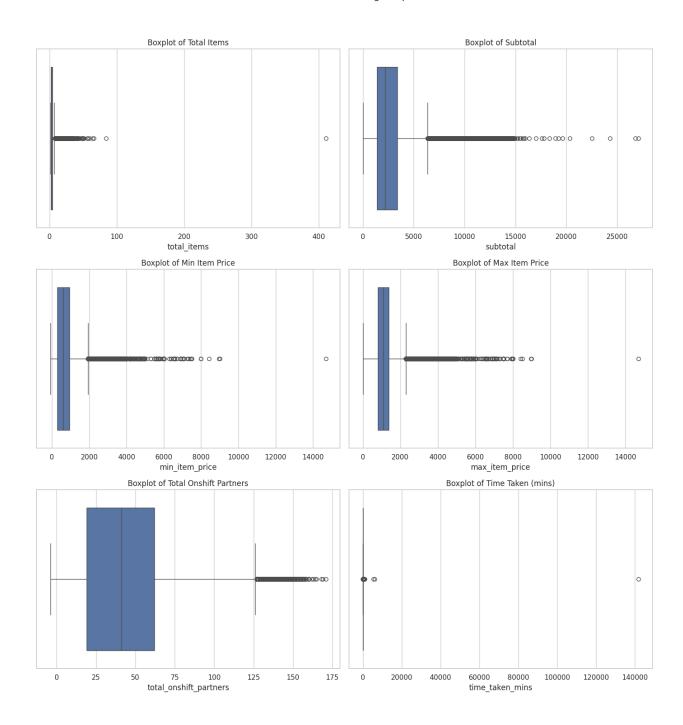
Plotting the data again to see if anything has improved

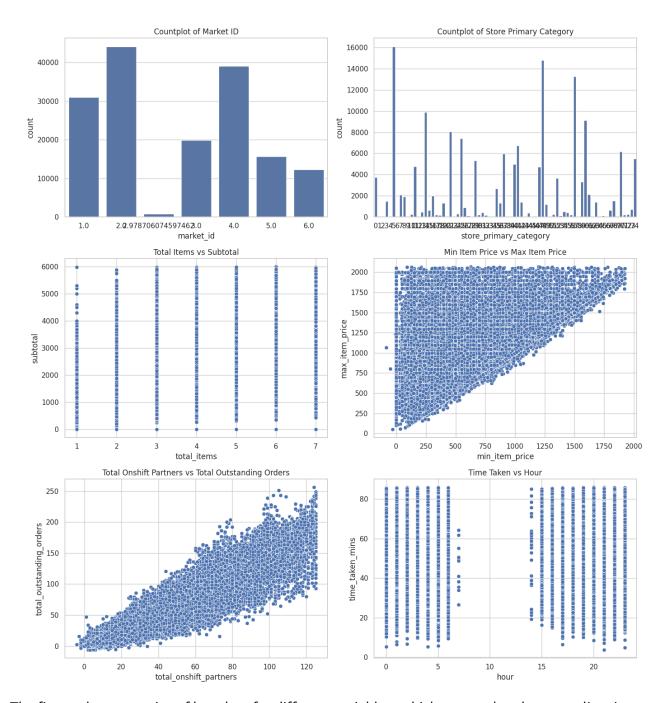
```
# Checking for outliers using boxplots
fig, axes = plt.subplots(3, 2, figsize=(14, 16))
fig.suptitle('Outlier Detection Using Boxplots', fontsize=16)
```

```
# Boxplot for 'total_items'
sns.boxplot(x=df['total items'], ax=axes[0, 0])
axes[0, 0].set title('Boxplot of Total Items')
# Boxplot for 'subtotal'
sns.boxplot(x=df['subtotal'], ax=axes[0, 1])
axes[0, 1].set_title('Boxplot of Subtotal')
# Boxplot for 'min item price'
sns.boxplot(x=df['min item price'], ax=axes[1, 0])
axes[1, 0].set title('Boxplot of Min Item Price')
# Boxplot for 'max item price'
sns.boxplot(x=df['max item price'], ax=axes[1, 1])
axes[1, 1].set title('Boxplot of Max Item Price')
# Boxplot for 'total onshift partners'
sns.boxplot(x=df['total_onshift_partners'], ax=axes[2, 0])
axes[2, 0].set title('Boxplot of Total Onshift Partners')
# Boxplot for 'time taken mins'
sns.boxplot(x=df['time taken mins'], ax=axes[2, 1])
axes[2, 1].set title('Boxplot of Time Taken (mins)')
plt.tight layout(rect=[0, 0, 1, 0.95])
plt.show()
# Removing outliers using the IQR method
def remove outliers(df, column):
    Q1 = df[column].quantile(0.25)
    Q3 = df[column].quantile(0.75)
    IQR = Q3 - Q1
    lower bound = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
    upper bound = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR
    return df[(df[column] >= lower bound) & (df[column] <=</pre>
upper bound)]
# Removing outliers from relevant columns
columns_to_clean = ['total_items', 'subtotal', 'min item price',
'max item price', 'total onshift partners', 'time taken mins']
for col in columns to clean:
    df = remove outliers(df, col)
# Plotting data again to check improvement
fig, axes = plt.subplots(3, 2, figsize=(14, 16))
fig.suptitle('Data Visualization After Outlier Removal', fontsize=16)
# Countplot for 'market_id'
sns.countplot(x='market_id', data=df, ax=axes[0, 0])
axes[0, 0].set title('Countplot of Market ID')
```

```
# Countplot for 'store primary category'
sns.countplot(x='store_primary_category', data=df, ax=axes[0, 1])
axes[0, 1].set_title('Countplot of Store Primary Category')
# Scatterplot for 'total items' vs 'subtotal'
sns.scatterplot(x='total_items', y='subtotal', data=df, ax=axes[1, 0])
axes[1, 0].set title('Total Items vs Subtotal')
# Scatterplot for 'min_item_price' vs 'max_item_price'
sns.scatterplot(x='min_item_price', y='max_item_price', data=df,
ax=axes[1, 1])
axes[1, 1].set title('Min Item Price vs Max Item Price')
# Scatterplot for 'total onshift partners' vs
'total outstanding orders'
sns.scatterplot(x='total onshift partners',
y='total_outstanding_orders', data=df, ax=axes[2, 0])
axes[2, 0].set title('Total Onshift Partners vs Total Outstanding
Orders')
# Scatterplot for 'time taken mins' vs 'hour'
sns.scatterplot(x='hour', y='time_taken_mins', data=df, ax=axes[2, 1])
axes[2, 1].set_title('Time Taken vs Hour')
plt.tight layout(rect=[0, 0, 1, 0.95])
plt.show()
```

Outlier Detection Using Boxplots





The figure shows a series of boxplots for different variables, which are used to detect outliers in the dataset. Here are the insights from each boxplot:

- 1. Total Items (total_items):
- The majority of the data points are below 100, but there are some significant outliers, with a few exceeding 400.
- The data is highly skewed to the right, indicating that most orders contain a relatively low number of items, with a few orders containing a much higher number.

- 1. Subtotal (subtotal):
- Most data points lie below 10,000, with several outliers extending up to 25,000.
- The distribution is right-skewed, suggesting that while most subtotals are lower, there are some extremely high subtotals in the data.
- 1. Min Item Price (min_item_price):
- The majority of minimum item prices are clustered close to 0, with some outliers extending beyond 2,000, and a few extreme cases up to 14,000.
- This indicates that while most items have a low minimum price, there are some with unusually high minimum prices.
- 1. Max Item Price (max_item_price):
- Similar to the minimum item price, most maximum item prices are clustered close to 0, with outliers extending up to 14,000.
- The presence of outliers on the higher end indicates variability in the maximum price of items in the dataset.
- 1. Total Onshift Partners (total_onshift_partners):
- The majority of data points range between 0 and 75, with a few outliers extending up to 175.
- The distribution is right-skewed, indicating that most shifts have a relatively low number of partners, but a few have a significantly higher number.
- 1. Time Taken (minutes) (time_taken_mins):
- Most data points are below 20,000 minutes, but there are some extreme outliers that extend up to 140,000 minutes.
- This suggests that while most deliveries or tasks are completed in a relatively short time,
 there are some cases that took an unusually long amount of time. Overall Insights:
- All boxplots show right-skewed distributions with several outliers, indicating that while
 the majority of data points fall within a certain range, there are some extreme values that
 deviate significantly. The presence of these outliers may suggest data entry errors,
 exceptional cases, or special conditions that might need further investigation or
 cleansing before analysis.

```
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
y=df['time taken mins']
x=df.drop(['time taken mins'],axis=1)
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test=train_test_split(x, y, test_size=0.2, rando
m state=42)
regressor=RandomForestRegressor()
regressor.fit(X train,y train)
RandomForestRegressor()
from sklearn.metrics import
mean squared error, mean absolute error, r2 score
prediction=regressor.predict(X test)
mse=mean squared error(y test,prediction)
rmse=mse**.5
print("mse : ",mse)
print("rmse : ",rmse)
```

```
mae=mean_absolute_error(y_test,prediction)
print("mase : ",mae)
mape=np.mean(np.abs((y_test - prediction)/y_test))*100
print("mape : ",mape)

r2_score(y_test,prediction)

mse : 156.51890983840116
rmse : 12.510751769514139
mase : 9.910262973624647
mape : 24.850390136487626

0.23299146990942032
```

#Regression with neural networks

- Data scaling
- Defining NN architecture
- Trying different combinations and hyperparameters
- Model training
- · Comparing results with random forest

Scaling the data for neural networks.

```
#Scalling the data to feed before neural network

from sklearn import preprocessing
scaler=preprocessing.MinMaxScaler()
x_scaled=scaler.fit_transform(x)
X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x_scaled,y,test_size=0.
2,random_state=42)
```

We will build a simple neural network to train our regression model it is a sequential model with two layers,

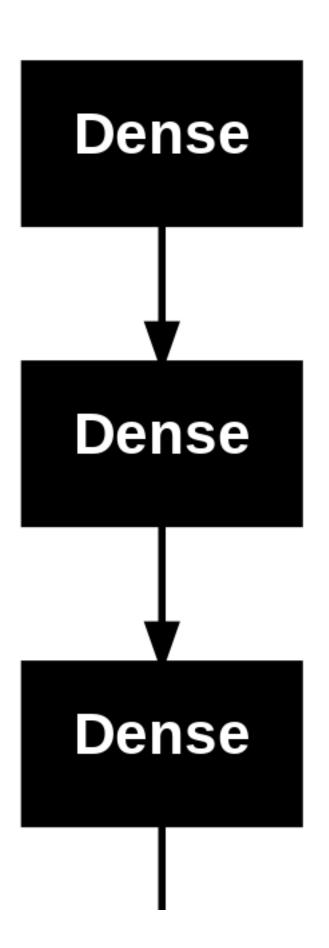
we have kept the number of nodes in the first layers equal to the number of input columns, and for the subsequent layers 32, 32, which can we changed or experimented with

the activation for the layers is kept as relu because it is a great non linear activation function that works for most cases, we could have used leaky relu if we see gradient vanishing.

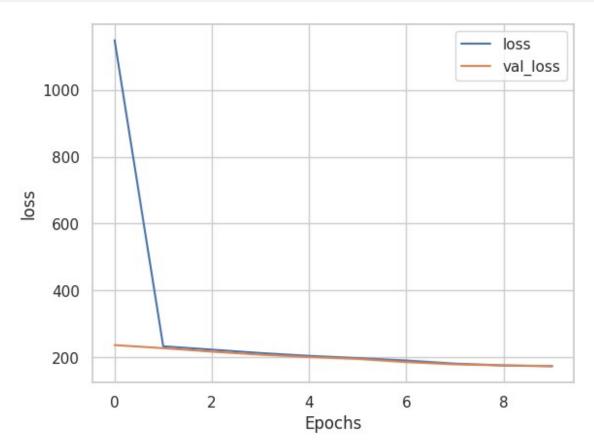
the last layer has one node because it will give the single result that is our delivery time and the activation function for that should be linear

```
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense
model=Sequential()
model.add(Dense(11,kernel initializer='normal',activation='relu'))
model.add(Dense(32,activation='relu'))
model.add(Dense(32,activation='relu'))
model.add(Dense(1,activation='linear'))
model.compile(loss='mse',optimizer='Adam',metrics=['mse','mae'])
history=model.fit(X_train,y_train,epochs=10,batch_size=512,verbose=1,v
alidation split=0.2)
Epoch 1/10
            3s 4ms/step - loss: 1799.0333 - mae:
204/204 —
38.8017 - mse: 1799.0333 - val loss: 236.4522 - val mae: 12.0857 -
val mse: 236.4522
Epoch 2/10
           1s 3ms/step - loss: 235.0303 - mae:
204/204 ----
12.1226 - mse: 235.0303 - val_loss: 227.3011 - val_mae: 11.9449 -
val mse: 227.3011
11.8886 - mse: 225.1225 - val loss: 216.8840 - val mae: 11.6645 -
val mse: 216.8840
Epoch 4/10
            1s 3ms/step - loss: 215.5042 - mae:
204/204 ---
11.6622 - mse: 215.5042 - val loss: 207.7526 - val mae: 11.4381 -
val mse: 207.7526
Epoch 5/10
11.4611 - mse: 206.7768 - val loss: 200.6391 - val mae: 11.2267 -
val mse: 200.6391
             1s 3ms/step - loss: 198.1921 - mae:
Epoch 6/10
204/204 ----
11.2322 - mse: 198.1921 - val loss: 194.9805 - val mae: 11.1056 -
val mse: 194.9805
Epoch 7/10
11.0972 - mse: 193.3450 - val loss: 185.5117 - val mae: 10.8801 -
val mse: 185.5117
Epoch 8/10
204/204 — 1s 5ms/step - loss: 182.4257 - mae:
10.8183 - mse: 182.4257 - val loss: 178.7505 - val mae: 10.7198 -
val mse: 178.7505
Epoch 9/10
10.6130 - mse: 176.3884 - val loss: 175.4544 - val mae: 10.6048 -
val mse: 175.4544
Epoch 10/10
204/204 -
                 _____ 1s 3ms/step - loss: 173.6138 - mae:
```

```
10.5217 - mse: 173.6138 - val_loss: 173.8786 - val_mae: 10.4782 -
val_mse: 173.8786
model.summary()
from tensorflow.keras.utils import plot model
plot model(model)
Model: "sequential"
                                      Output Shape
Layer (type)
Param #
dense (Dense)
                                       (None, 11)
165
dense_1 (Dense)
                                       (None, 32)
384
 dense 2 (Dense)
                                       (None, 32)
1,056
 dense 3 (Dense)
                                       (None, 1)
33 |
 Total params: 4,916 (19.21 KB)
 Trainable params: 1,638 (6.40 KB)
 Non-trainable params: 0 (0.00 B)
 Optimizer params: 3,278 (12.81 KB)
```



```
plt.plot(history.history['loss'])
plt.plot(history.history['val_loss'])
plt.xlabel("Epochs")
plt.ylabel('loss')
plt.legend(['loss','val_loss'])
plt.show()
```



```
print('r2 score:',r2 score(y test, model.predict(X test)))
mse = mean squared error(y test, model.predict(X test))
rmse = mse^{**}.5
print("mse : ",mse)
print("rmse : ",rmse)
print("errors for neural net")
mae = mean_absolute_error(y_test, model.predict(X_test))
print("mae : ",mae)
1018/1018 -
                              - 2s 2ms/step
r2 score: 0.1599950357913913
1018/1018 •
                             - 2s 1ms/step
mse: 171.4148618937131
rmse: 13.092549862181663
errors for neural net
```

```
1018/1018 ______ 2s 2ms/step mae : 10.38658438795292
from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_percentage_error
mean_absolute_percentage_error(y_test, model.predict(X_test))
1018/1018 — 2s 2ms/step
```

0.2593568884722927

Leading Questions:

Q1 Defining the problem statements and where can this and modifications of this be used?

Problem Statements:

- 1. **Predicting Delivery Time:** The primary problem this code addresses is predicting the time it takes for a delivery to be completed (time_taken_mins) based on various features like the number of items, subtotal, store category, etc.
- 2. **Optimizing Delivery Operations:** By accurately predicting delivery times, businesses can optimize their operations, allocate resources efficiently, and improve customer satisfaction by providing more accurate delivery estimates.

3. Identifying Factors Affecting Delivery Time: The analysis helps identify key factors that significantly influence delivery times, allowing businesses to focus on improving those areas for faster deliveries.

Where Can This Be Used (and Modifications):

- 1. **Food Delivery Platforms:** This model can be directly applied to food delivery platforms like Uber Eats, DoorDash, or Grubhub to predict delivery times and improve their logistics.
- 2. **E-commerce and Retail:** Online retailers can use a similar approach to predict shipping times and optimize their delivery networks.
- 3. Logistics and Supply Chain: Logistics companies can leverage this model to predict transportation times and optimize routes for efficient delivery of goods.

Modifications:

- 1. **Feature Engineering:** Adding more relevant features like traffic conditions, distance between store and customer, and delivery personnel experience can improve the model's accuracy.
- 2. **Advanced Models:** Exploring more complex machine learning models like gradient boosting or deep neural networks could potentially lead to better predictions.
- 3. **Real-time Predictions:** Integrating the model with real-time data feeds can enable dynamic delivery time predictions based on current conditions.

4. Customer-Specific Predictions:

Personalizing predictions based on individual customer preferences and historical data can further enhance the user experience.

Q2 List 3 functions the pandas datetime provides with one line explanation.

Here are three useful functions provided by pandas for handling datetime:

- 1. pd.to_datetime() Converts an argument (e.g., string, list, or Series) to a datetime object.
- 2. pd.date_range() Generates a range of datetime values based on a specified frequency, start, and end date.
- 3. pd.DatetimeIndex() Creates an index with datetime elements, enabling datetime-based indexing for pandas objects.

3. Short note on datetime, timedelta, time span (period)

datetime is a Python module that provides classes for manipulating date and time.

The datetime class represents a point in time and supports date and time arithmetic.

timedelta represents the difference between two dates or times, allowing for date and time calculations like adding or subtracting days.

time span or period is often used in data analysis to describe the length of time between two points,

for example, the duration between two events.

4. Why do we need to check for outliers in our data?

Outliers can significantly impact the performance of machine learning models,

especially models sensitive to variations in data, like linear regression.

They can distort statistical analyses, resulting in misleading results,

and may indicate data errors, variability in measurements, or a novel phenomenon.

5. Name 3 outlier removal methods?

- (i) Z-score method: Identifies outliers by calculating the Z-score for each data point.
- (ii) IQR (Interquartile Range) method: Identifies outliers based on the range between the first and third quartiles.
- (iii) Isolation Forest: A machine learning algorithm specifically designed to detect anomalies.

6. What classical machine learning methods can we use for this problem?

Classical machine learning methods include:

- (i) Linear Regression
- (ii) Logistic Regression
- (iii) Decision Trees
- (iv) Random Forest
- (v) K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN)

7. Why is scaling required for neural networks?

Scaling is required for neural networks because it ensures that the input features have similar ranges,

which helps the model converge faster during training. It prevents the gradient descent algorithm

from getting stuck in local minima and ensures that the model learns efficiently.

8. Briefly explain your choice of optimizer.

An optimizer adjusts the weights of a neural network to minimize the loss function.

For example, Adam (Adaptive Moment Estimation) is often preferred due to its adaptive learning rate and

momentum, which speeds up convergence and improves performance on complex problems.

9. Which activation function did you use and why?

The ReLU (Rectified Linear Unit) activation function is commonly used because it is computationally efficient

and helps the network learn faster by alleviating the vanishing gradient problem.

For classification problems, a softmax function may be used in the output layer to output probability scores.

10. Why does a neural network perform well on a large dataset?

Neural networks perform well on large datasets because they can learn complex patterns and relationships

within the data. A large dataset provides more information, reducing the risk of overfitting,

and helps the model generalize better to unseen data.