

FLIGHT PRICE PREDICTION



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1. Business Problem Framing

We have to work on a project where we have to collect data of flight fares with other features and work to make a model to predict fares of flights. The cheapest available ticket on a given flight gets more and less expensive over time.

. This project contains three phases:

- a. Data Collection Phase
- b. Data Analysis
- c. Model Building Phase

2. Conceptual Background of the Domain Problem

Anyone who has booked a flight ticket knows how unexpectedly the prices vary. The cheapest available ticket on a given flight gets more and less expensive over time.

This usually happens as an attempt to maximize revenue based on –

- i. Time of purchase patterns (making sure last-minute purchases are expensive)
- ii. Keeping the flight as full as they want it (raising prices on a flight which is filling up in order to reduce sales and hold back inventory for those expensive last-minute expensive purchases).

3. Review of Literature

We have to made flight price prediction model. This project contains three phases:

a. **Data Collection Phase**: Scrapped 1614 rows of data from website: Yatra.com and Makemytrip.com. We have fetched data for different Airlines. The number of columns is 9 and are: Airline_Name, Date_of_Journey, Source, Destination, Departure_Time, Arrival_Time, Duration, Total_Stops and Price.

- b. **Data Analysis:** After cleaning the data, we have to do some analysis on the data.
 - i. Do airfares change frequently?
 - ii. Do they move in small increments or in large jumps?
 - iii. Do they tend to go up or down over time?
 - iv. What is the best time to buy so that the consumer can save the most by taking the least risk?
 - v. Does price increase as we get near to departure date?
 - vi. Is Indigo cheaper than Jet Airways?
 - vii. Are morning flights expensive?
- c. **Model Building Phase**: After collecting the data, built a machine learning model. Before model building have done all data preprocessing steps. Tried different models with different hyper parameters and selected the best model. Followed the complete life cycle of data science. Include all the steps like.
 - 1. Data Cleaning
 - 2. Exploratory Data Analysis
 - 3. Data Pre-processing
 - 4. Model Building
 - 5. Model Evaluation
 - 6. Selecting the best model

4. Motivation for the Problem Undertaken

An attempt to maximize revenue based on –

- i. Time of purchase patterns (making sure last-minute purchases are expensive)
- ii. Keeping the flight as full as they want it (raising prices on a flight which is filling up in order to reduce sales and hold back inventory for those expensive last-minute expensive purchases).



1. Mathematical/ Analytical Modelling of the Problem

- 1) Scrapped Data from websites: Yatra.com and Makemytrip.com
- 2) Used Panda's Library to save data into csv file
- 3) Cleaned Data by removing and replacing irrelevant features
- 4) Extracted hidden features
- 5) Descriptive Statistics
- 6) Analysed correlation
- 7) Detected Outliers and removed
- 8) Detected Skewness and removed
- 9) Scaled data using Standard Scaler
- 10) Removed Multicollinearity

2. Data Sources and their formats

Scraped Data from websites: Yatra.com & Makemytrip.com and used Panda's Library to save data into csv file: **flight price prediction**. Target and Features variables of this dataset are:

Target:

• **Price:** Fare of the Flight

Features:

- Airline_Name: Names of Airlines
- Date_of_Journey: Journey Date
- Source: From where the Flight starts
- Destination: To where the Flight stops
- Departure_Time: Departure time is when a plane leaves the gate
- Arrival Time: Arrival time is when the plane pulls up to the gate
- Duration: Total time taken from source to reach at destination
- Total_Stops: Total Number of destinations

3. Data Pre-processing Done:

a) Checked Total Numbers of Rows and Column

```
flight.shape (1614, 11)
```

b) Checked All Column Name

c) Checked Data Type of All Data

```
flight.dtypes
Unnamed: 0
                 int64
Unnamed: 0.1
                float64
Airline_Name object
Date_of Journey object
Source
                 object
Destination
                 object
                object
Departure_Time
Arrival_Time
                 object
Duration
Total_Stops
                 object
Price
                 object
dtype: object
```

d) Checked for Null Values

```
flight.isnull().sum()
Unnamed: 0
                  0
Unnamed: 0.1
                  211
Airline_Name
Date_of Journey
Source
Destination
Departure_Time
Arrival_Time
Duration
Total_Stops
                    0
Price
dtype: int64
```

There is null value in the dataset.

e) Checking if "-" values present in dataset or not

```
(flight=='-').sum()

Unnamed: 0 0
Unnamed: 0.1 0
Airline_Name 0
Date_of Journey 4
Source 0
Destination 0
Departure_Time 0
Arrival_Time 0
Duration 0
Total_Stops 0
Price 0
dtype: int64
```

f) Checked total number of unique values

flight.nunique()	
Unnamed: 0	1614
Unnamed: 0.1	1403
Airline_Name	20
Date_of Journey	37
Source	8
Destination	24
Departure_Time	235
Arrival_Time	257
Duration	278
Total_Stops	29
Price	298
dtype: int64	

g) Information about Data

```
flight.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1614 entries, 0 to 1613
Data columns (total 11 columns):
            Non-Null Count Dtype
# Column
                   -----
0 Unnamed: 0 1614 non-null int64
1 Unnamed: 0.1 1403 non-null float64
2 Airline_Name 1614 non-null object
3 Date_of Journey 1614 non-null object
4 Source 1614 non-null object
5 Destination 1614 non-null object
6 Departure_Time 1614 non-null object
    Arrival_Time 1614 non-null object
   Duration
                   1614 non-null object
8
   Total_Stops 1614 non-null object
9
10 Price
                    1614 non-null object
dtypes: float64(1), int64(1), object(9)
memory usage: 138.8+ KB
```

h) Data cleaning

 Column "Unnamed: 0.1" contains missing value (211) but this column contains serial no. So, dropped this column. And also dropped column 'Unnamed: 0' as this column also contains serial no.

```
#dropping columns
flight.drop(columns=['Unnamed: 0', 'Unnamed: 0.1'],inplace=True)
```

Handling values "-" in column 'Date_of_Journey'

```
#checking all values of column 'Date_of_Journey'
flight['Date_of_Journey'].value_counts()
 Wed, Sep 28
                184
 Thu, Nov 3
  Tue, Oct 18
 Thu, Sep 29
 Mon, Sep 26
Fri, Oct 7
                  80
 Sat, Nov 5
                 70
  Mon, Oct 3
  Sun, Nov 6
                 70
  Tue, Dec 13
  Fri, Nov 25
 Sun, Oct 30
                 40
  Tue, Oct 4
                  40
  Wed, Oct 5
                 40
  Sat, Oct 29
                 40
 Wed, Nov 16
                 40
 Mon, Oct 17
                 40
  Sat, Oct 1
 Sat, Nov 19
                  30
  Fri, Sep 30
                  21
  Fri, Oct 28
                  20
  Thu, Oct 13
                 20
  Thu, Sep 22
                  20
  Sat, Dec 17
                  20
  Wed, Oct 12
 Tue, Oct 11
Wed, Nov 9
                  20
                  20
 Sun, Nov 27
                  20
  Tue, Nov 15
  Fri, Dec 2
  Thu, Dec 15
                  10
  Tue, Sep 27
  Sun, Sep 25
                 10
  Sat, Oct 15
                  10
  Mon, Oct 24
                  10
  Thu, Nov 17
                  1
  Name: Date_of_Journey, dtype: int64
```

```
#droping rows containing values "-"
flight.drop(flight.loc[flight['Date_of_Journey'] == "-"].index, inplace=True)
```

Extracting "Day", "Date" and "Month" from Column
 'Date_of_Journey'

```
#converting into list for extraction
Journey_Date= flight['Date_of_Journey'].tolist()

#creating empty list
Day= []
date = []
Month = []
Date = []

#fetching data from 'Journey_Date'
for i in Journey_Date:
    Day.append(i.split(",")[0])
    date.append(i.split(",")[1])

#fetching data from 'date'
for i in date:
    Date.append(i.split(" ")[2])
    Month.append(i.split(" ")[1])
```

Creating new columns for extracted data and adding values

```
flight['Day']= Day

flight['Date']= Date

flight['Month']=Month

#checking dataset again
flight.head()
```

	Airline_Name	Date_of_Journey	Source	Destination	Departure_Time	Arrival_Time	Duration	Total_Stops	Price	Day	Date	Month
0	SpiceJet	Tue, Dec 13	New Delhi	Mumbai	18:55	21:05	2h 10m	Non Stop	5,951	Tue	13	Dec
1	SpiceJet	Tue, Dec 13	New Delhi	Mumbai	19:45	22:05	2h 20m	Non Stop	5,951	Tue	13	Dec
2	Go First	Tue, Dec 13	New Delhi	Mumbai	07:00	09:10	2h 10m	Non Stop	5,953	Tue	13	Dec
3	Go First	Tue, Dec 13	New Delhi	Mumbai	08:00	10:10	2h 10m	Non Stop	5,953	Tue	13	Dec
4	Go First	Tue, Dec 13	New Delhi	Mumbai	15:00	17:15	2h 15m	Non Stop	5,953	Tue	13	Dec

#droping column 'Date_of_Journey' as it is not required now. We have extracted data from it flight.drop(columns=['Date_of_Journey'], inplace= True)

Handling Column 'Departure_Time'

Extracting 'Departure_Hour' and 'Departure_Minute' from Column 'Departure_Time'

```
# Extracting Hours
flight["Departure_Hour"] = pd.to_datetime(flight["Departure_Time"]).dt.hour

# Extracting Minutes
flight["Departure_Minute"] = pd.to_datetime(flight["Departure_Time"]).dt.minute
```

Droping column 'Departure_Time' after extraction

```
#droping column 'Departure_Time' as it is not required now. We have extracted data from it flight.drop(["Departure_Time"], axis = 1, inplace = True)
```

Column 'Arrival Time'

Droping Arrival_Time after extraction

```
flight.drop(["Arrival_Time"], axis = 1, inplace = True)
```

Handling Column Duration:

Converting and Extracting Duration column into list

```
# Time taken by plane to reach destination is called Duration (Duration= Departure Time - Arrival time).
duration = list(flight["Duration"])
for i in range(len(duration)):
    # Checking if duration contains only hour or minutes
   if len(duration[i].split()) != 2:
       if "h" in duration[i]:
           # Adding 0 Minutes
           duration[i] = duration[i].strip() + " 0m"
           # Adding 0 Hours
           duration[i] = "0h " + duration[i]
Duration_Hours = []
for i in range(len(duration)):
   # Extracting hours from duration
   Duration_Hours.append(int(duration[i].split(sep = "h")[0]))
Duration_Minutes = []
for i in range(len(duration)):
    # Extracting minutes from duration
   Duration_Minutes.append(int(duration[i].split(sep = "m")[0].split()[-1]))
# Adding Duration Hours and Duration Minutes list to flight train Dataset
flight["Duration_Hours"] = Duration_Hours
flight["Duration_Minutes"] = Duration_Minutes
```

Droping Duration column after extraction

```
flight.drop(["Duration"], axis = 1, inplace = True)
```

• Handling Column 'Price'

Handling Column 'Total_Stops'

Converting datatypes from object to integer

- i) Data Visualization
 - i. Univariate Analysis
 - Used Countplot and Histplot
 - ii. Bivariate Analysis

(For comparison between each feature with target)

- > Used Barplot
- iii. Multivariate Analysis

(For comparison between all feature with target)

Used Pairplot

4. Data Inputs-Logic-Output Relationships

I. <u>Descriptive Statistics</u>

Description of flight Dataset : works only on continuous column flight.describe()

	Total_Stops	Price	Date	Departure_Hour	Departure_Minute	Arrival_Hour	Arrival_Minute	Duration_Hours	Duration_Minutes
count	1610.000000	1610.000000	1610.000000	1610.000000	1610.000000	1610.000000	1610.000000	1610.000000	1610.000000
mean	0.340994	8804.907453	16.324845	12.830435	26.888199	7.444099	30.568323	4.698137	26.388199
std	0.495972	14342.189168	10.213236	6.213455	18.214417	7.094649	18.778003	5.699176	17.488741
min	0.000000	957.000000	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
25%	0.000000	5114.000000	5.000000	7.000000	10.000000	2.000000	20.000000	2.000000	10.000000
50%	0.000000	5955.000000	17.000000	13.000000	30.000000	6.000000	35.000000	2.000000	25.000000
75%	1.000000	7560.000000	28.000000	18.000000	45.000000	9.000000	50.000000	6.000000	40.000000
max	2.000000	133695.000000	30.000000	23.000000	55.000000	23.000000	55.000000	32.000000	55.000000

We can see that 9 column are containing continuous data and 5 column contains categorical data

Checking Description through heatmap

```
plt.figure(figsize=(20,5))
sns.heatmap(round(flight.describe()[1:].transpose(),2),linewidth=2,annot=True,fmt='.2f')
plt.xticks(fontsize=18)
plt.xticks(fontsize=12)
plt.title('variables')
plt.show()
```

				variables				
Total_Stops -	0.34	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	2.00	- 120000
Price -	8804.91	14342.19	957.00	5114.00	5955.00	7560.00	133695.00	125000
Date -	16.32	10.21	1.00	5.00	17.00	28.00	30.00	- 100000
Departure_Hour -	12.83	6.21	0.00	7.00	13.00	18.00	23.00	- 80000
Departure_Minute -	26.89	18.21	0.00	10.00	30.00	45.00	55.00	- 60000
Arrival_Hour -	7.44	7.09	0.00	2.00	6.00	9.00	23.00	- 60000
Arrival_Minute -	30.57	18.78	0.00	20.00	35.00	50.00	55.00	- 40000
Duration_Hours -	4.70	5.70	0.00	2.00	2.00	6.00	32.00	- 20000
Duration_Minutes -	26.39	17.49	0.00	10.00	25.00	40.00	55.00	
	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max	- 0

Observation of Describe of Datasets:

- The summary of this dataset shows that there are no negative value present.
- . We can see the counts of all continuous columns are 1610.000000 which means no null values are present.
- Total No of Rows: 1610 and Total No. of Columns: 14
- Only 9 column contains Continuous Data, they are: Total_Stops, Price, Date, Departure_Hour, Departure_Minute, Arrival_Hour, Arrival_Minute, Duration_Hours, Duration_Minutes
- . We are determining Mean, Standard Deviation, Minimum and Maximum Values of each column.
- · We can see in 'Total_Stops' columns 'standard deviation' is more than it's 'mean' which means there are outliers and skewness present in column.
- We can also see that there are huge differences between 25%, 50% and 75% deviation which shows skewness.

II. Encoding

Ordinal Encoding

```
OE = pd.get_dummies(flight[['Airline_Name','Month']],drop_first = False)
OE
```

	Airline_Name_Air Asia	Airline_Name_Air India	India, Singapore Airlines	Airline_Name_AirAsia	Airline_Name_Alliance Air		Airline_Name_Etihad Airways	Airline_Name_FlyBi
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1609	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
1610	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
1611	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
1612	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
1613	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
1610 r	ows × 24 column:	5						

```
flight=flight.join(OE)

#Dropping the columns
flight.drop(columns = ['Airline_Name','Month'],inplace=True)
flight
```

III. Label Encoding

```
enc = LabelEncoder()
for i in flight.columns:
    if flight[i].dtypes=="object":
        flight[i]=enc.fit_transform(flight[i].values.reshape(-1,1))
```

```
flight.dtypes
                                                     int32
Source
Destination
                                                     int32
Total_Stops
                                                     int64
                                                     int64
Price
Day
                                                     int32
Date
                                                     int64
Departure_Hour
                                                     int64
Departure_Minute
                                                     int64
Arrival_Hour
Arrival_Minute
                                                     int64
Duration_Hours
Duration_Minutes
                                                     int64
                                                     int64
Airline_Name_Air Asia
Airline_Name_Air India
                                                     uint8
                                                     uint8
Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines
                                                     uint8
Airline_Name_AirAsia
                                                     uint8
```

Checking Correlation

Flight.corr()										
	Source	Destination	Total_Stops	Price	Day	Date	Departure_Hour	Departure_Minute	Arrival_Hour	Arrival_Minut
Source	1.000000	0.084120	-0.089643	0.164518	0.099632	0.081623	0.013083	0.012806	-0.045605	0.03159
Destination	0.084120	1.000000	-0.025564	0.092159	-0.055859	-0.108111	-0.026185	-0.010595	-0.098944	0.00121
Total_Stops	-0.089643	-0.025564	1.000000	0.330153	0.073926	0.217250	-0.067341	0.005736	-0.162463	-0.03783
Price	0.164518	0.092159	0.330153	1.000000	0.223708	0.212486	-0.028422	-0.056402	-0.043355	-0.043998
Day	0.099632	-0.055859	0.073926	0.223708	1.000000	0.120043	-0.036520	-0.004689	0.008702	0.007215
Date	0.081623	-0.108111	0.217250	0.212486	0.120043	1.000000	-0.038767	0.029191	0.018876	-0.038214
Departure_Hour	0.013083	-0.026185	-0.067341	-0.028422	-0.036520	-0.038767	1.000000	0.013759	0.302351	-0.00181
Departure_Minute	0.012806	-0.010595	0.005736	-0.056402	-0.004689	0.029191	0.013759	1.000000	-0.070892	-0.053882
Arrival_Hour	-0.045605	-0.098944	-0.162463	-0.043355	0.008702	0.018876	0.302351	-0.070892	1.000000	-0.054635
Arrival_Minute	0.031594	0.001210	-0.037838	-0.043998	0.007215	-0.038214	-0.001810	-0.053882	-0.054635	1.000000
Duration_Hours	0.054831	0.015359	0.769500	0.498370	0.135329	0.240765	0.010278	0.044410	-0.124692	-0.037306
Duration_Minutes	0.016063	-0.145909	0.097295	0.055390	0.084621	0.064420	0.058790	-0.059205	-0.021877	0.076513
Airline_Name_Air Asia	-0.163169	-0.025481	-0.025453	-0.074426	-0.084462	-0.024600	0.070969	0.043159	-0.047203	0.00892
Airline_Name_Air India	0.032387	-0.047983	-0.031580	-0.038258	-0.031493	0.078051	-0.012716	-0.043936	0.039953	0.02027
Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines	0.029139	0.018273	0.046875	0.278845	0.046086	0.040328	0.057740	-0.023025	0.017682	-0.005764

This gives the correlation between the dependent and independent variables.

flight.corr()["Price"].sort_values()	
Month_Oct	-0.153507
Airline_Name_IndiGo	-0.151263
Month_Nov	-0.121569
Airline_Name_Air Asia	-0.074426
Airline_Name_Go First	-0.070806
Departure_Minute	-0.056402
Arrival_Minute	-0.043998
Arrival_Hour	-0.043355
Airline_Name_Vistara	-0.041816
Airline_Name_Alliance Air	-0.039511
Airline_Name_SpiceJet	-0.038524
Airline_Name_Air India	-0.038258
Departure_Hour	-0.028422
Month_Dec	-0.027118
Airline_Name_FlyBig	-0.012333
Airline_Name_AirAsia	-0.006732
Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines	0.002178
Airline_Name_flydubai	0.026393
Duration_Minutes	0.055390
Airline_Name_Gulf Air	0.059990
Destination	0.092159
Source	0.164518
Airline_Name_Singapore Airlines	0.189611
Airline_Name_Swiss	0.197362
Airline_Name_Turkish Airlines	0.211219
Date	0.212486
Day	0.223708
Airline_Name_Vistara, Emirates	0.261559
Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines	0.278845
Month_Sep	0.301359
Total_Stops	0.330153
Airline_Name_Etihad Airways	0.370244
Airline_Name_Emirates	0.411113
Duration_Hours	0.498370
Airline_Name_Qatar Airways	0.527573
Price	1.000000
Name: Price, dtype: float64	

We can observe:

- All columns are sorted in ascending order showing least to strong correlation with target column.
- 16 columns are negatively correlated and 19 columns are positively correlated with target column.
- Column 'Airline_Name_Qatar Airways' is highly positively correlated with Target column and Column 'Airline_Name_AirAsia' is highly negatively correlated with Target column

Checking correlation with heatmap

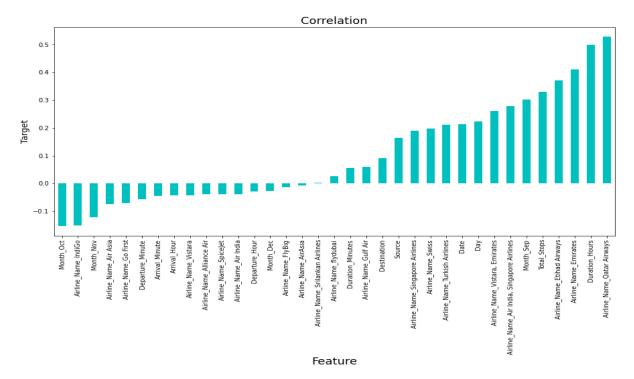


Outcome of Correlation

- . Source has 5 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as good correlation and positively correlated.
- . Destination has 3 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as good correlation and positively correlated.
- Total_Stops has 10 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as good correlation and positively correlated.
- . Day has 9 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as good correlation and positively correlated.
- Date has 7 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as good correlation and positively correlated.
- Month has 8 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as weak correlation and positively correlated.
- . Departure_Hour has -0 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as good correlation and negatively correlated.
- Departure_Minute has 3 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as good correlation and positively correlated.
- · Arrival_Hour has -3 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as good correlation and negatively correlated.
- Arrival_Minute has -5 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as good correlation and negatively correlated.
- . Duration_Hours has 18 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as strong correlation and positively correlated.
- Duration_Minutes has -1 percent correlation with the target column which can be considered as good correlation and negatively correlated.
- Max correlation is with Airline_Name_Qatar Airways
- Min correlation is with Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines

Checking correlation with barplot

```
plt.figure(figsize=(15,7))
flight.corr()['Price'].sort_values(ascending=True).drop(['Price']).plot(kind='bar',color='c')
plt.xlabel('Feature',fontsize=18)
plt.ylabel('Target',fontsize=14)
plt.title('Correlation',fontsize=18)
plt.show()
```

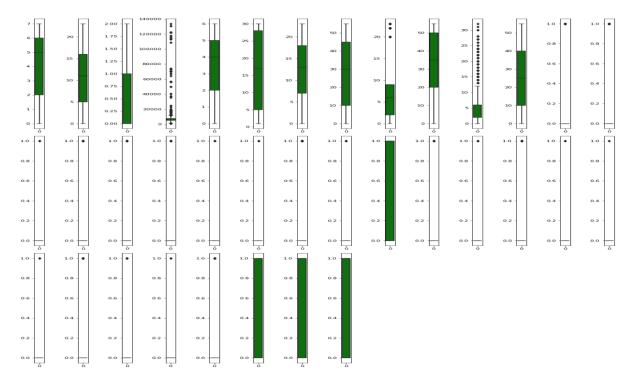


Observation:

- · Target column (Price) has Highest Positively Correlation with column 'Airline_Name_Qatar Airways'.
- Target column (Price) has least correlation with column 'Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines'.
- Target column (Price) has Highly Negatively Correlated with column 'Airline_Name_AirAsia'.

V. Checking Outliers

```
collist= flight.columns.values
ncol=14
nrows=7
plt.figure(figsize=(ncol,3*ncol))
for i in range(0,len(collist)):
    plt.subplot(nrows,ncol,i+1)
    sns.boxplot(data=flight[collist[i]],color='green',orient='v')
    plt.tight_layout()
```



Observation:

- Outliers present in columns: 'Price', 'Arrival_Hour', 'Duration_Hours', 'Airline_Name_Air Asia', 'Airline_Name_Air India', 'Airline_Name_Air India,Singapore Airlines', 'Airline_Name_Air Asia', 'Airline_Name_Air India', 'Airline_Name_Air India,Singapore Airlines', 'Airline_Name_Air Asia', 'Airline_Name_FlyBig', 'Airline_Name_Go First', 'Airline_Name_IndiGo', 'Airline_Name_Qatar Airways', 'Airline_Name_Singapore Airlines', 'Airline_Name_SpiceJet', 'Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines', 'Airline_Name_Swiss', 'Airline_Name_Turkish Airlines', 'Airline_Name_Vistara', 'Airline_Name_Vistara, Emirates', 'Airline_Name_flydubai', 'Day_Fri', 'Day_Mon', 'Day_Sat', 'Day_Sun', 'Day_Thu', 'Day_Tue', 'Day_Wed' and 'Month_Dec'.
- But we will not remove Outliers from "Price" column as it is our Target column and also from categorical columns. So, we will only remove outliers from "Arrival_Hour" and "Duration_Hours".
- Outliers not present in columns: 'Source', 'Destination', 'Total_Stops', 'Date', 'Departure_Hour', 'Departure_Minute', 'Arrival_Minute', 'Duration_Minutes', 'Airline_Name_Gulf Air', 'Month_Nov', 'Month_Oct' and 'Month_Sep'.

Removing Outliers

1.1 Zscore method using Scipy

```
variable = flight[['Arrival_Hour', 'Duration_Hours']]
z=np.abs(zscore(variable))
# Creating new dataframe
flight_price = flight[(z<3).all(axis=1)]
z.head()</pre>
```

	Arrival_Hour	Duration_Hours
0	0.767591	0.473573
1	2.052311	0.473573
2	0.219374	0.473573
3	1.049582	0.473573
4	0.062616	0.473573

```
print("Old DataFrame data in Rows and Column:",flight.shape)
print("New DataFrame data in Rows and Column:",flight_price.shape)
print("Total Dropped rows:",flight.shape[0]-flight_price.shape[0])
```

Old DataFrame data in Rows and Column: (1610, 36) New DataFrame data in Rows and Column: (1559, 36) Total Dropped rows: 51

1.2 Percentage Data Loss using Zscore

```
loss_percent=(1610-1559)/1610*100
print("loss_percent= ",loss_percent,"%")
loss_percent= 3.1677018633540373 %
```

2. IQR (Inter Quantile Range) method

```
#1st quantile
Q1=variable.quantile(0.25)

# 3rd quantile
Q3=variable.quantile(0.75)

#IQR
IQR=Q3 - Q1
flight_price_pred=flight[~((flight < (Q1 - 1.5 * IQR)) | (flight > (Q3 + 1.5 * IQR))).any(axis=1)]

print("Old DataFrame data in Rows and Column:",flight_shape)
print("\nNew DataFrame data in Rows and Column:",flight_price_pred.shape)
print("\nTotal Dropped rows:",flight.shape[0]-flight_price_pred.shape[0])

Old DataFrame data in Rows and Column: (1610, 36)

New DataFrame data in Rows and Column: (1197, 36)

Total Dropped rows: 413
```

2.2 Percentage Data Loss using IQR

```
loss_perc = (1610-1197)/1610*100
print("loss_percent= ",loss_perc,"%")
loss_percent= 25.65217391304348 %
```

We can observe that by using IQR method there is large data loss in comparision to Zscore method. So, we will consider Zscore method.

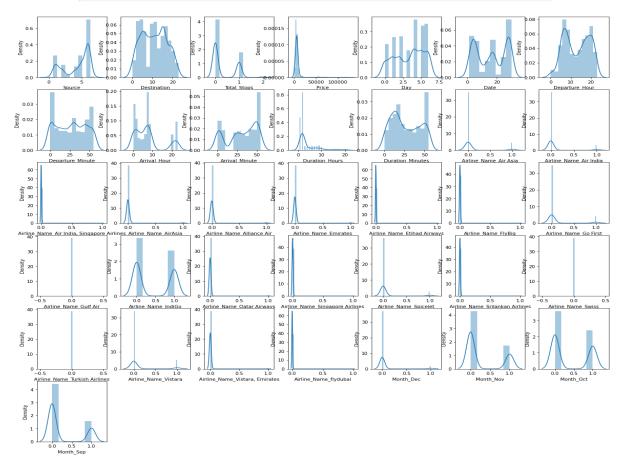
VI. Checking Skewness

```
flight.skew()
                                                                                                       -0.787126
Destination
                                                                                                         0.015304
 Total_Stops
                                                                                                         0.929689
Price
Day
                                                                                                         6.322378
0.255838
Date
                                                                                                      -0.060242
 Departure_Hour
Departure Minute
                                                                                                       -0.012425
Arrival_Hour
Arrival_Minute
                                                                                                         1.096090
Duration_Hours
                                                                                                         2.175547
Duration_Hours
Duration_Minutes
Airline_Name_Air Asia
Airline_Name_Air India
Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines
Airline_Name_Airlindia, Singapore Airlines
Airline_Name_AirAsia
Airline_Name_Emirates
Airline_Name_Etihad Airways
                                                                                                         0.210981
2.496231
                                                                                                         2.962561
                                                                                                      28.346043
9.049937
                                                                                                        8.591705
8.812335
                                                                                                      23.122815
Airline_Name_EtlyBig
Airline_Name_FlyBig
Airline_Name_Go First
Airline_Name_Gulf Air
Airline_Name_IndiGo
Airline_Name_Qatar Airways
                                                                                                      28.346043
2.558561
                                                                                                     23.122815
                                                                                                     0.283817
11.463813
Airline_Name_Singapore Airlines
Airline_Name_SpiceJet
Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines
                                                                                                     20.006203
                                                                                                         3.368146
                                                                                                     28.346043
Airline_Name_Swiss
Airline_Name_Swiss
Airline_Name_Turkish Airlines
Airline_Name_Vistara
Airline_Name_Vistara, Emirates
Airline_Name_flydubai
                                                                                                     40.124805
28.346043
                                                                                                         2.133168
                                                                                                      14.093439
28.346043
Month_Dec
Month_Nov
                                                                                                        4.148415
0.987065
Month_Oct
                                                                                                         0.445851
Month_Sep
dtype: float64
                                                                                                         0.980185
```

Checking skweness through Data Visualization

```
plt.figure(figsize=(20,20), facecolor='white')
plotnumber = 1

for column in flight_price:
    if plotnumber<=42:
        ax = plt.subplot(6,7,plotnumber)
        sns.distplot(flight_price[column])
        plt.xlabel(column,fontsize=10)
    plotnumber+=1
plt.show()</pre>
```



Observation:

- Skewness threshold taken is +/-0.25
- All the columns are not normallly distributed, they are skewed.
- Columns which are having skewness: Source, Total_Stops, Price, Arrival_Minute, Duration_Hours, Duration_Minutes, Airline_Name_Air Asia, Airline_Name_Air India,
 Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines, Airline_Name_AirAsia, Airline_Name_Alliance Air, Airline_Name_Emirates, Airline_Name_Etihad Airways, Airline_Name_FlyBig,
 Airline_Name_Go First, Airline_Name_Gulf Air, Airline_Name_IndiGo, Airline_Name_Qatar Airways, Airline_Name_Singapore Airlines, Airline_Name_SpiceJet,
 Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines, Airline_Name_Swiss, Airline_Name_Turkish Airlines, Airline_Name_Vistara, Airline_Name_Vistara, Emirates, Airline_Name_flydubai,
 Day_Fri, Day_Mon, Day_Sat, Day_Sun, Day_Tue, Day_Tue, Day_Wed, Month_Dec, Month_Nov, Month_Oct, Month_Sep
- The 'Source' column data is negatively highly skewed and 'Airline_Name_Swiss' is positively highly skewed
- We will not remove skewness from categorical columns and also from Target Column 'Price'.
- . So we will remove skewness from 'Total_Stops', 'Arrival_Hour', 'Arrival_Minute' and 'Duration_Hours' as these column contain continuous data.

Removing skewness using yeo-johnson method

```
collist=['Total_Stops', 'Arrival_Hour', 'Arrival_Minute', 'Duration_Hours']
flight_price[collist]=power_transform(flight_price[collist],method='yeo-johnson')
flight_price[collist]
```

	Total_Stops	Arrival_Hour	Arrival_Minute	Duration_Hours
0	-0.667918	-0.712257	-1.366713	-0.212742
1	-0.667918	1.593577	-1.366713	-0.212742
2	-0.667918	0.519214	-1.753315	-0.212742
3	-0.667918	-1.574682	-1.753315	-0.212742
4	-0.667918	0.264579	0.982897	-0.212742
1609	1.492846	-0.448153	0.754184	1.083569
1610	1.643379	-0.448153	0.754184	1.710477
1611	1.643379	-0.448153	0.754184	1.741565
1612	1.643379	-0.448153	0.754184	1.769465
1613	1.643379	-0.448153	0.754184	1.794655

1559 rows × 4 columns

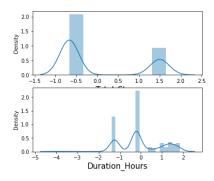
checking skewness after removal

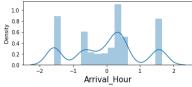
flight_price.skew()	
Source	-0.755216
Destination	0.038254
Total_Stops	0.830495
Price	7.946097
Day	-0.228907
Date	-0.013773
Departure_Hour	-0.041652
Departure_Minute	-0.007290
Arrival_Hour	-0.065429
Arrival_Minute	-0.606840
Duration_Hours	0.181033
Duration_Minutes	0.232383
Airline_Name_Air Asia	2.438735
Airline_Name_Air India	3.047458
Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines	39.484174
Airline_Name_AirAsia	8.900414
Airline_Name_Alliance Air	8.449207
Airline_Name_Emirates	10.056720
Airline_Name_Etihad Airways	39.484174
Airline_Name_FlyBig	27.892617
Airline_Name_Go First	2.500437
Airline_Name_Gulf Air	0.000000
Airline_Name_IndiGo	0.239251
Airline_Name_Qatar Airways	14.837194
Airline_Name_Singapore Airlines	27.892617
Airline_Name_SpiceJet	3.300844
Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines	27.892617
Airline_Name_Swiss	0.000000
Airline_Name_Turkish Airlines	0.000000
Airline_Name_Vistara	2.191335
Airline_Name_Vistara, Emirates	13.865426
Airline_Name_flydubai	39.484174
Month_Dec	4.071053
Month_Nov	0.951090
Month_Oct	0.407550
Month_Sep	1.077732
dtype: float64	

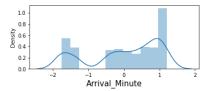
checking skewness after removal through data visualization using distplot

```
collist=['Total_Stops', 'Arrival_Hour', 'Arrival_Minute', 'Duration_Hours']
plt.figure(figsize=(20,5), facecolor='white')
plotnumber = 1

for column in flight_price[collist]:
    if plotnumber<=4:
        ax = plt.subplot(2,3,plotnumber)
        sns.distplot(flight_price[column])
        plt.xlabel(column,fontsize=15)
    plotnumber+=1
plt.show()</pre>
```







VII. Splitting Data

Spliting data into Target and Features:

```
y.head()

0 5951
1 5951
2 5953
3 5953
4 5953
Name: Price, dtype: int64

x.shape, y.shape

((1559, 35), (1559,))
```

VIII. Scaling data using Standard Scaler

```
scaler = StandardScaler()
x = pd.DataFrame(scaler.fit_transform(x), columns = x.columns)
```

IX. Checking for Multicollinearity

```
vif = pd.DataFrame()
vif['VIF values']= [variance_inflation_factor(x.values,i) for i in range(len(x.columns))]
vif['Features'] = x.columns
vif
```

	VIF values	Features
0	1.246093	Source
1	1.190305	Destination
2	5.005202	Total_Stops
3	1.119536	Day
4	2.001797	Date
5	1.093143	Departure_Hour
6	1.048559	Departure_Minute
7	1.095693	Arrival_Hour
8	1.049719	Arrival_Minute
9	4.949811	Duration_Hours
10	1.147644	Duration_Minutes
11	inf	Airline_Name_Air Asia
12	inf	Airline_Name_Air India
13	inf	Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines
14	inf	Airline_Name_AirAsia
15	inf	Airline_Name_Alliance Air
16	inf	Airline_Name_Emirates

17	inf	Airline_Name_Etihad Airways
18	inf	Airline_Name_FlyBig
19	inf	Airline_Name_Go First
20	NaN	Airline_Name_Gulf Air
21	inf	Airline_Name_IndiGo
22	inf	Airline_Name_Qatar Airways
23	inf	Airline_Name_Singapore Airlines
24	inf	Airline_Name_SpiceJet
25	inf	Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines
26	NaN	Airline_Name_Swiss
27	NaN	Airline_Name_Turkish Airlines
28	inf	Airline_Name_Vistara
29	inf	Airline_Name_Vistara, Emirates
30	inf	Airline_Name_flydubai
31	inf	Month_Dec
32	inf	Month_Nov
33	inf	Month_Oct
34	inf	Month_Sep

```
#dropping columns having no relation with Target Feature
x.drop(columns=['Airline_Name_Gulf Air', 'Airline_Name_Swiss', 'Airline_Name_Turkish Airlines'],inplace=True)
```

```
#checking again multicollinearity
vif = pd.DataFrame()
vif['VIF values']= [variance_inflation_factor(x.values,i) for i in range(len(x.columns))]
vif['Features'] = x.columns
vif
```

VIF values	Features			
1.246093	Source	16	inf	Airline_Name_Emirates
1.190305	Destination	17	inf	Airline_Name_Etihad Airways
5.005202	Total_Stops	18	inf	Airline_Name_FlyBig
1.119536	Day	19	inf	Airline_Name_Go First
2.001797	Date	20	inf	Airline_Name_IndiGo
1.093143	Departure_Hour	21	inf	Airline_Name_Qatar Airways
1.048559	Departure_Minute	22	inf	Airline_Name_Singapore Airlines
1.095693	Arrival_Hour	23	inf	Airline_Name_SpiceJet
1.049719	Arrival_Minute	24	inf	Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines
4.949811	Duration_Hours	25	inf	Airline_Name_Vistara
1.147644	Duration_Minutes	26	inf	Airline_Name_Vistara, Emirates
inf	Airline_Name_Air Asia	27	inf	Airline_Name_flydubai
inf	Airline_Name_Air India	28	inf	Month_Dec
inf	Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines	29	inf	Month_Nov
inf	Airline_Name_AirAsia	30	inf	Month_Oct
inf	Airline_Name_Alliance Air	31	inf	Month_Sep
	1.246093 1.190305 5.005202 1.119536 2.001797 1.093143 1.048559 1.095693 1.049719 4.949811 1.147644 inf inf	1.246093 Source 1.190305 Destination 5.005202 Total_Stops 1.119536 Day 2.001797 Date 1.093143 Departure_Hour 1.048559 Departure_Minute 1.095693 Arrival_Hour 1.049719 Arrival_Minute 4.949811 Duration_Hours 1.147644 Duration_Minutes inf Airline_Name_Air Asia inf Airline_Name_Air India inf Airline_Name_Air India inf Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines inf Airline_Name_Air Asia	1.246093 Source 16 1.190305 Destination 17 5.005202 Total_Stops 18 1.119536 Day 19 2.001797 Date 20 1.093143 Departure_Hour 21 1.048559 Departure_Minute 22 1.095693 Arrival_Hour 23 1.049719 Arrival_Minute 24 4.949811 Duration_Hours 25 1.147644 Duration_Minutes 26 inf Airline_Name_Air Asia 27 inf Airline_Name_Air India 28 inf Airline_Name_Air India 29 inf Airline_Name_AirAsia 30	1.246093 Source 16 inf 1.190305 Destination 17 inf 5.005202 Total_Stops 18 inf 1.119536 Day 19 inf 2.001797 Date 20 inf 1.093143 Departure_Hour 21 inf 1.048559 Departure_Minute 22 inf 1.095693 Arrival_Hour 23 inf 1.049719 Arrival_Minute 24 inf 4.949811 Duration_Hours 25 inf 1.147644 Duration_Minutes 26 inf inf Airline_Name_Air Asia 27 inf inf Airline_Name_Air India 28 inf inf Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines 29 inf inf Airline_Name_Air Asia 30 inf

We can check Multicolinearity is not present as all columns VIF Values are less than 10.

X. Variance Threshold Method

It removes all features which variance doesn't meet some threshold. By default, it removes all zero-variance features.

```
var_threshold = VarianceThreshold(threshold=0)
 var threshold.fit(x)
VarianceThreshold(threshold=0)
 var_threshold.get_support()
array([ True, True,
 x.columns[var_threshold.get_support()]
'Airline_Name_Alliance Air', 'Airline_Name_Emirates', 'Airline_Name_Etihad Airways', 'Airline_Name_FlyBig',
         'Airline_Name_Go First', 'Airline_Name_IndiGo',
         'Airline_Name_Qatar Airways', 'Airline_Name_Singapore Airlines',
         'Airline_Name_SpiceJet', 'Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines',
'Airline_Name_Vistara', 'Airline_Name_Vistara, Emirates',
'Airline_Name_flydubai', 'Month_Dec', 'Month_Nov', 'Month_Oct',
         'Month_Sep'],
        dtype='object')
 # taking out all the constant columns
 cons_columns = [column for column in x.columns
                     if column not in x.columns[var_threshold.get_support()]]
 print(len(cons_columns))
```

So, with the help of variance threshold method, we got to know all the features here are important. So, we will check select kbest features.

XI. Selecting Kbest Features

```
bestfeat = SelectKBest(score_func = f_classif, k = 'all')
fit = bestfeat.fit(x,y)
dfscores = pd.DataFrame(fit.scores_)
dfcolumns = pd.DataFrame(x.columns)

fit = bestfeat.fit(x,y)
dfscores = pd.DataFrame(fit.scores_)
dfscolumns = pd.DataFrame(y.scolumns)
```

```
fit = bestfeat.fit(x,y)
dfscores = pd.DataFrame(fit.scores_)
dfcolumns = pd.DataFrame(x.columns)
dfcolumns.head()
featureScores = pd.concat([dfcolumns,dfscores],axis = 1)
featureScores.columns = ['Feature', 'Score']
print(featureScores.nlargest(40,'Score'))
```

```
Feature
                                                     Score
                           Airline_Name_FlyBig
18
                                                       inf
17
                   Airline_Name_Etihad Airways
                                                        inf
                                        Source 176.019858
0
21
                    Airline_Name_Qatar Airways
                                                42.222750
                           Airline_Name_IndiGo 40.903461
20
                                   Total_Stops 31.738927
2
9
                                Duration_Hours
                                                  28.725946
                         Airline_Name_Air Asia 28.232583
11
1
                                   Destination 27.959133
                         Airline_Name_Go First 19.059339
Airline_Name_SpiceJet 18.072790
19
23
25
                          Airline_Name_Vistara 17.852996
                                                 16.487656
16
                         Airline_Name_Emirates
14
                          Airline_Name_AirAsia
                                                 14.041779
                     Airline_Name_Alliance Air
15
                                                 12.197478
31
                                     Month_Sep
                                                 10,648970
                Airline_Name_Vistara, Emirates
                                                  9.520206
                        Airline_Name_Air India
12
                                                  8.871209
4
                                          Date
                                                  6.132348
10
                              Duration_Minutes
                                                  5.670929
3
                                          Day
                                                  5.528667
                                     Month_Oct
                                                  5.461257
                                     Month_Nov
29
                                                  5.253965
28
                                     Month_Dec
                                                  4.754321
   Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines
                                                  4.460936
13
24
               Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines
                                                  3.180653
6
                              Departure_Minute
                                                  2.867389
5
                                Departure_Hour
                                                  2,775334
8
                                Arrival_Minute
                                                  2.603049
                                  Arrival Hour
                                                  2.574848
27
                         Airline_Name_flydubai
                                                  2.229036
               Airline_Name_Singapore Airlines
                                                  1.320494
```

#dropping columns x.drop(columns=['Airline_Name_Etihad Airways', 'Airline_Name_FlyBig'],inplace=True)

```
#checking again
bestfeat = SelectKBest(score_func = f_classif, k = 'all')
fit = bestfeat.fit(x,y)
dfscores = pd.DataFrame(fit.scores_)
dfcolumns = pd.DataFrame(x.columns)
```

```
fit = bestfeat.fit(x,y)
dfscores = pd.DataFrame(fit.scores_)
dfcolumns = pd.DataFrame(x.columns)
dfcolumns.head()
featureScores = pd.concat([dfcolumns,dfscores],axis = 1)
featureScores.columns = ['Feature', 'Score']
print(featureScores.nlargest(40,'Score'))
```

	Feature	Score
0	Source	176.019858
19	Airline_Name_Qatar Airways	42.222750
18	Airline_Name_IndiGo	40.903461
2	Total_Stops	31.738927
9	Duration_Hours	28.725946
11	Airline_Name_Air Asia	28.232583
1	Destination	27.959133
17	Airline_Name_Go First	19.059339
21	Airline_Name_SpiceJet	18.072790
23	Airline_Name_Vistara	17.852996
16	Airline_Name_Emirates	16.487656
14	Airline_Name_AirAsia	14.041779
15	Airline_Name_Alliance Air	12.197478
29	Month_Sep	10.648970
24	Airline_Name_Vistara, Emirates	9.520206
12	Airline_Name_Air India	8.871209
4	Date	6.132348
10	Duration_Minutes	5.670929
3	Day	5.528667
28	Month_Oct	5.461257
27	Month_Nov	5.253965
26	Month_Dec	4.754321
13	Airline_Name_Air India, Singapore Airlines	4.460936
22	Airline_Name_Srilankan Airlines	3.180653
6	Departure_Minute	2.867389
5	Departure_Hour	2.775334
8	Arrival_Minute	2.603049
7	Arrival_Hour	2.574848
25	Airline_Name_flydubai	2.229036
20	Airline_Name_Singapore Airlines	1.320494

Now, we will create model.

5. State the set of assumptions (if any) related to the problem under consideration

- By observing Target Variable "Price" it is already assumed that it is a Regression Problem and to understand it have to use Regression model.
- Also, it was observed that there is one column "Unnamed 0" and "Unnamed 0.1" which is irrelevant column as it contains serial no so have to drop this column.
- It was observed that in columns there are irrelevant values present. So, we need to drop replace and remove those values.
- Also have to convert datatype of those columns which are containing continuous values like Target column.
- It was observed that there are hidden features present in columns: Date_of_Journey, Departure_Time, Arrival_Time, Duration and Total_Stops. So, it should be extracted.

6. Hardware and Software Requirements and Tools Used

Hardware used:

Processor: 11th Gen Intel(R) Core(TM) i3-1125G4 @
 2.00GHz 2.00 GHz

System Type: 64-bit OS

Software used:

Anaconda for 64-bit OS

Jupyter notebook

• Tools, Libraries and Packages used:

Importing Libraries

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
import seaborn as sns
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

from scipy.stats import zscore
from sklearn.preprocessing import power_transform, StandardScaler, LabelEncoder
from sklearn.feature_selection import VarianceThreshold, SelectKBest, f_classif
from statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import variance_inflation_factor
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, GridSearchCV,cross_val_score
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, GridSearchCV,cross_val_score
from sklearn.metrics import troc_curve, auc, roc_auc_score, plot_roc_curve, r2_score, classification_report, mean_absolute_error,
from sklearn.metrics import roc_curve, auc, roc_auc_score, plot_roc_curve, r2_score, classification_report, mean_absolute_error,
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsRegressor
from sklearn.svm import SVR
import pickle
```

Model/s Development and Evaluation

1. <u>Identification of possible problem-solving approaches</u> (methods)

In this project, we want to predict the Flight price prediction and for this we have used these approaches:

- Checked Total Numbers of Rows and Column
- Checked All Column Name
- Checked Data Type of All Data
- Checked for Null Values
- Checked for special character present in dataset or not
- Checked total number of unique values
- Information about Data
- Checked Description of Data and Dataset
- Dropped irrelevant Columns
- Replaced special characters and irrelevant data
- Extracted hidden features
- Checked all features through visualization.
- Checked correlation of features with target
- Detected Outliers and removed
- · Checked skewness and removed
- Scaled data using Standard Scaler
- Checked Multicollinearity
- Used Feature Selection Method: Variance threshold method and Select kbest Features.

Testing of Identified Approaches (Algorithms)

- 1. Linear Regression
- 2. Random Forest Regressor
- 3. KNN Regressor
- 4. Gradient Boosting Regressor
- 5. Decision Tree Regressor

2. Run and evaluate selected models

Creating Model

Finding the best random state among all the models

On the basis of target column, we will understand this by Regression Problem

```
maxAcc = 0
maxRS=0
for i in range(1,100):
    x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test = train_test_split(x,y,test_size = .25, random_state = i)
    modDTR = DecisionTreeRegressor()
    modDTR.fit(x_train,y_train)
    pred = modDTR.predict(x_test)
    acc = r2_score(y_test,pred)
    if acc>maxAcc:
        maxAcc=acc
        maxRS=i
print(f"Best Accuracy is: {maxAcc} on random_state: {maxRS}")
```

Best Accuracy is: 0.9834311445811676 on random_state: 96

Creating train-test-split

```
# creating new train test split using the random state.
x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test = train_test_split(x,y,test_size = .20, random_state = maxRS)
```

Regression Algorithms

Mean squared error: 50559350.336292826

1. Linear Regression

```
# Checking r2score for Linear Regression
LR = LinearRegression()
LR.fit(x_train,y_train)

# prediction
predLR=LR.predict(x_test)
print('R2_score:',r2_score(y_test,predLR))
print('Mean abs error:',mean_absolute_error(y_test, predLR))
print('Mean squared error:',mean_squared_error(y_test, predLR))

R2_score: 0.7195839708123732
Mean abs error: 2173.2375624945653
```

2. Random Forest Regression Model

```
# Checking R2 score for Random Forest Regressor
RFR=RandomForestRegressor(n_estimators=600, random_state=maxRS)
RFR.fit(x_train,y_train)

# prediction
predRFR=RFR.predict(x_test)
print('R2_Score:',r2_score(y_test,predRFR))
print('Mean abs error:',mean_absolute_error(y_test, predRFR))
print('Mean squared error:',mean_squared_error(y_test, predRFR))
```

R2_Score: 0.9318103918030993 Mean abs error: 785.5047061965812 Mean squared error: 12294669.10329451

3. KNN Regressor

```
# Checking R2 score for KNN regressor
knn=KNeighborsRegressor(n_neighbors=9 )
knn.fit(x_train,y_train)

#prediction
predknn=knn.predict(x_test)
print('R2_Score:',r2_score(y_test,predknn))
print('Mean abs error:',mean_absolute_error(y_test, predknn))
print('Mean squared error:',mean_squared_error(y_test, predknn))
print("Root Mean Squared Error: ", np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test,predknn)))

R2_Score: 0.7098807663881705
Mean abs error: 1917 93198085698
```

Mean abs error: 1917.93198005698 Mean squared error: 52308849.86843147 Root Mean Squared Error: 7232.485732335147

4. Gradient boosting Regressor

```
# Checking R2 score for GBR
Gb= GradientBoostingRegressor(n_estimators=400, random_state=maxRS, learning_rate=0.1, max_depth=3)
Gb.fit(x_train,y_train)

#prediction
predGb=Gb.predict(x_test)
print('R2_Score:',r2_score(y_test,predGb))
print('Mean abs error:',mean_absolute_error(y_test, predGb))
print('Mean squared error:',mean_squared_error(y_test, predGb))
print('Root Mean Squared Error: ", np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test,predGb)))
```

R2_Score: 0.9394371563064738 Mean abs error: 1142.2811299364803 Mean squared error: 10919554.20855893 Root Mean Squared Error: 3304.4748763697585

5. Decision Tree Regressor

```
# Checking R2 score for GBR
DTR= DecisionTreeRegressor()
DTR.fit(x_train,y_train)

#prediction
predDTR=DTR.predict(x_test)
print('R2_Score:',r2_score(y_test,predDTR))
print('Mean abs error:',mean_absolute_error(y_test, predDTR))
print('Mean squared error:',mean_squared_error(y_test, predDTR))
print('Root Mean Squared Error: ", np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test,predDTR)))
```

R2_Score: 0.8895875641934212 Mean abs error: 737.2980769230769 Mean squared error: 19907496.157051284 Root Mean Squared Error: 4461.781724496536

Cross Validation Score for all the model

```
#CV Score for Linear Regression
print('CV score for Linear Regression: ',cross_val_score(LR,x,y,cv=5).mean())

#CV Score for Random Forest Regression
print('CV score for Random forest Regression: ',cross_val_score(RFR,x,y,cv=5).mean())

#CV Score for KNN Regression
print('CV score for KNN Regression: ',cross_val_score(knn,x,y,cv=5).mean())

#CV Score for Gradient Boosting Regression
print('CV score for Gradient Boosting Regression: ',cross_val_score(Gb,x,y,cv=5).mean())

#CV Score for Decision Tree Regression
print('CV score for Decision Tree Regression: ',cross_val_score(DTR,x,y,cv=5).mean())

CV score for Linear Regression: -4.484765538827662
CV score for Random forest Regression: 0.512448472901896
CV score for Gradient Boosting Regression: 0.09861027412094597
CV score for Decision Tree Regression: 0.5376863299353738
```

So, according to the R2 score and Cross validation score of all the model we can see that the best model is gradient boosting regressor and random forest regressor. Now, we will check which one is best after hyper tuning.

Hyper Parameter Tuning

The Gradient boosting regressor with GridsearchCV

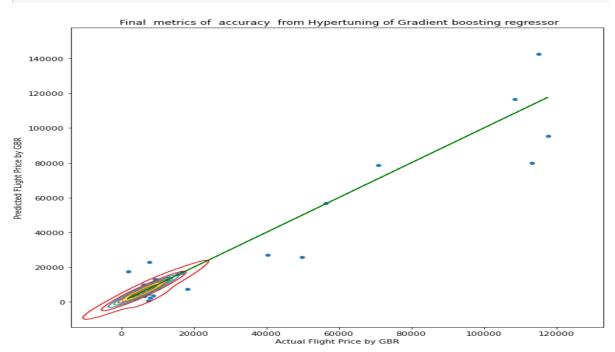
```
CV_GBR.best_params_

{'alpha': 0.001,
    'learning_rate': 1,
    'max_depth': 1,
    'n_estimators': 300,
    'subsample': 0.5}
```

Creating Regressor Model with Gradient Boosting Regressor

So after the Hypertuning now we have got a descent accuracy score of 92% on Gradient boosting

```
#Verifying the final performance of the model by graph
plt.figure(figsize=(10,10))
sns.scatterplot(x=y_test,y=GBRpred,palette='Set2')
sns.kdeplot(x=y_test,y=GBRpred, cmap='Set1')
plt.plot(y_test,y_test,color='g')
#Verifying the performance of the model by graph
plt.xlabel("Actual Flight Price by GBR")
plt.ylabel("Predicted FLight Price by GBR")
plt.title(" Final metrics of accuracy from Hypertuning of Gradient boosting regressor")
plt.show()
```



The Random Forest regressor with GridsearchCV

```
parameter = {'n_estimators':[30,60,80],'max_depth': [10,20,40],
              'min_samples_leaf':[5,10,20],'min_samples_split':[5,10],
              'criterion':['mse','mae'],'max_features':["auto","sqrt","log2"]}
GCV = GridSearchCV(RandomForestRegressor(),parameter,cv=5,n_jobs = -1,verbose = 1)
GCV.fit(x train,y train)
Fitting 5 folds for each of 324 candidates, totalling 1620 fits
GridSearchCV(cv=5, estimator=RandomForestRegressor(), n_jobs=-1,
             param_grid={'criterion': ['mse', 'mae'], 'max_depth': [10, 20, 40],
                          'max_features': ['auto', 'sqrt', 'log2'],
                         'min_samples_leaf': [5, 10, 20],
                         'min_samples_split': [5, 10],
                         'n_estimators': [30, 60, 80]},
             verbose=1)
GCV.best_params_
{'criterion': 'mse',
 'max_depth': 20,
 'max_features': 'sqrt',
 'min_samples_leaf': 5,
 'min_samples_split': 5,
 'n_estimators': 30}
```

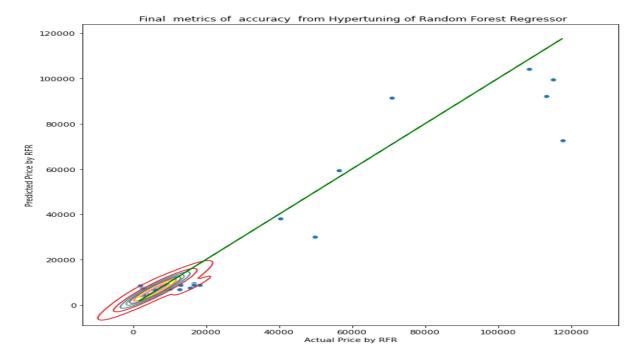
Creating Regressor Model with Random Forest Regressor

```
RFR = RandomForestRegressor(random_state=50, max_features='auto', n_estimators= 200, max_depth=6, criterion='mse')
RFR.fit(x_train, y_train)
RandomForestRegressor(max_depth=6, n_estimators=200, random_state=50)

#prediction
RFRpred = RFR.predict(x_test)
#R2 score
acc = r2_score(y_test,RFRpred)
print(acc*100)
91.8258941511163
```

So after the Hypertuning now we have got a descent accuracy score of 91% on Random Forest Regressor

```
#Verifying the final performance of the model by graph
plt.figure(figsize=(10,10))
sns.scatterplot(x=y_test,y=RFRpred,palette='Set2')
sns.kdeplot(x=y_test,y=RFRpred, cmap='Set1')
plt.plot(y_test,y_test,color='g')
#Verifying the performance of the model by graph
plt.xlabel("Actual Price by RFR")
plt.ylabel("Predicted Price by RFR")
plt.title(" Final metrics of accuracy from Hypertuning of Random Forest Regressor")
plt.show()
```



After checking both model it is concluded that Gradient Boosting Regressor is giving best R2 Score. So, we will save and predict on GBR.

• Saving The Predictive Model

```
#saving the model at local file system
filename='flight_price_prediction.pickle'
pickle.dump(CV_GBR,open(filename,'wb'))
#prediction using the saved model
loaded_model = pickle.load(open(filename, 'rb'))
loaded_model.predict(x_test)
```

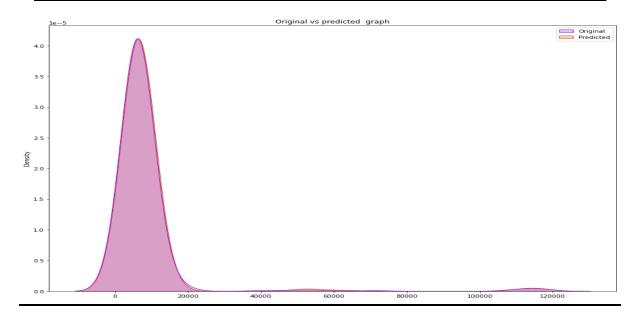
Comparing Actual and Predicted

```
a = np.array(y_test)
predict = np.array(loaded_model.predict(x_test))
flight_price_prediction = pd.DataFrame({"Original":a,"Predicted":predict},index= range(len(a)))
flight_price_prediction
```

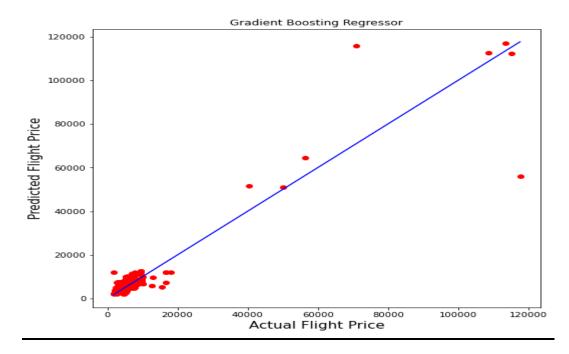
	Original	Predicted
0	1998	3033.318556
1	5954	5937.477751
2	7927	7127.178848
3	4687	3997.702933
4	6508	6576.550832

Let's plot and visualize

```
plt.figure(figsize=(15,12))
sns.kdeplot(data=flight_price_prediction, palette='gnuplot',gridsize=900, shade=True)
plt.title('Original vs predicted graph')
```



```
plt.figure(figsize=(8,8))
plt.scatter(y_test,predict,c='r')
plt1 = max(max(predict),max(y_test))
plt2 = min(min(predict),min(y_test))
plt.plot([plt1,plt2],[plt1,plt2],'b-')
plt.xlabel('Actual Flight Price',fontsize=15)
plt.ylabel('Predicted Flight Price',fontsize=15)
plt.title("Gradient Boosting Regressor")
plt.show()
```



Saving the model in CSV format

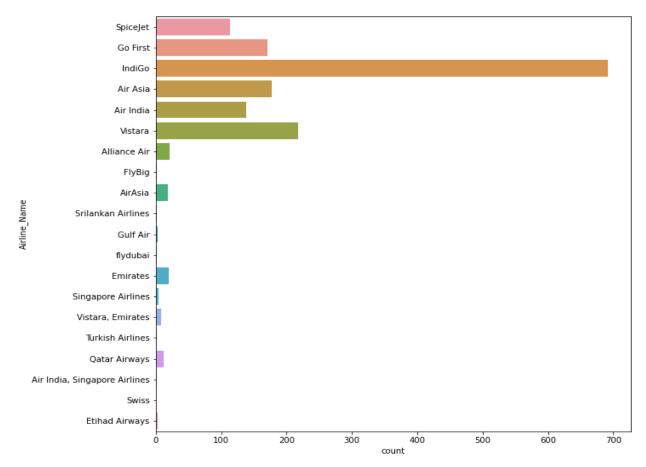
```
model =flight_price_prediction.to_csv('flight_price_prediction.csv')
model
```

- 3. Key Metrics for success in solving problem under consideration
 - R2 Score, mean abs error, mean squared error, Root Mean Squared Error and CV score are used for success.

4. Visualization

- Univariate Analysis
 - ➤ Using Countplot

```
#Count Plot for "Airline_Name" column
 print(flight["Airline_Name"].value_counts())
 plt.figure(figsize=(10,10))
sns.countplot(y= "Airline_Name",data=flight)
IndiGo
                                  692
Vistara
                                  218
Air Asia
                                  177
Go First
                                  171
Air India
                                  138
SpiceJet
                                  113
Alliance Air
                                   21
Emirates
                                   20
AirAsia
                                   19
Qatar Airways
                                   12
Vistara, Emirates
Singapore Airlines
Gulf Air
Etihad Airways
flydubai
                                    2
Srilankan Airlines
Turkish Airlines
FlyBig
Air India, Singapore Airlines
Swiss
Name: Airline_Name, dtype: int64
```



We observe that 'IndiGo' Airlines flights are taken most (Total No= 692) and 'Swiss' Airlines is least (Total No= 1).

```
#Count Plot for "Source" column
print(flight["Source"].value_counts())
plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
sns.countplot(y= "Source",data=flight)
New Delhi
                       736
Mumbai
                        276
Bangalore
                       270
Hyderabad
Kolkata
                       152
133
Jaipur
Pune
Agra
                          4
Name: Source, dtype: int64

<AxesSubplot:xlabel='count', ylabel='Source'>
     New Delhi
       Mumbai
     Bangalore
   Hyderabad
         Kolkata
            Pune
          Jaipur
```

Using Histplot

300

400

500

600

700

200

Agra

100

```
#HistPlot for "Price" column
print(flight["Price"].value_counts())
plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
sns.histplot(x="Price",data=flight, bins=30)
5954
         128
4687
          49
5374
          46
7424
          41
5891
          40
7854
         1
11922
           1
11542
           1
5642
           1
13830
          1
Name: Price, Length: 294, dtype: int64
```

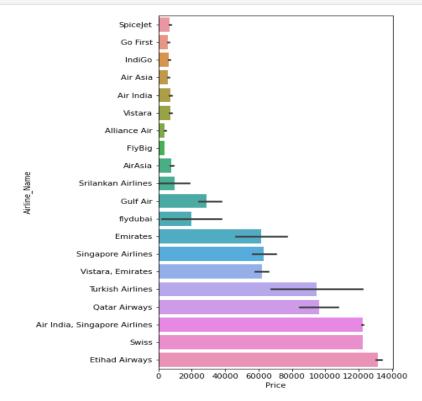
1000 - 800 - 600 - 6000 - 8000 10000 12000 14000

Bivariate Analysis

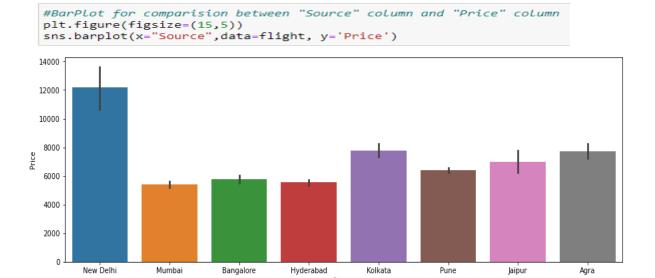
(For comparison between each feature with target)

➤ Using Barplot

```
#BarPlot for comparision between "Airline" column and "Price" column plt.figure(figsize=(5,10)) sns.barplot(y="Airline_Name",data=flight, x='Price')
```



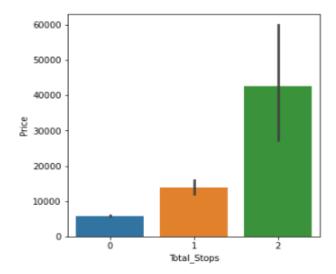
We can observe Airline's 'Etihad Airways' is having highest flight fare.



We can observe Source 'New Delhi' is having highest flight fare.

```
#BarPlot for comparision between "Total_Stops" column and "Price" column
plt.figure(figsize=(5,5))
sns.barplot(x="Total_Stops",data=flight, y='Price')
```

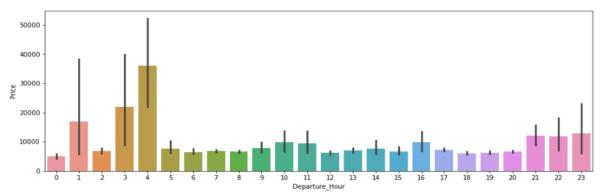
<AxesSubplot:xlabel='Total_Stops', ylabel='Price'>



Having Stops '2' is highest flight fare and '0' stops is having least fare.

```
#BarPLot for comparision between "Dep_Hour" column and "Price" column
plt.figure(figsize=(15,5))
sns.barplot(x="Departure_Hour",data=flight, y='Price')
```

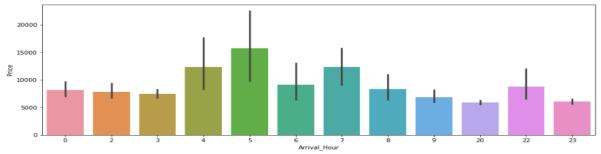
<AxesSubplot:xlabel='Departure_Hour', ylabel='Price'>



Departing Flight at '4 AM' is having high fare.

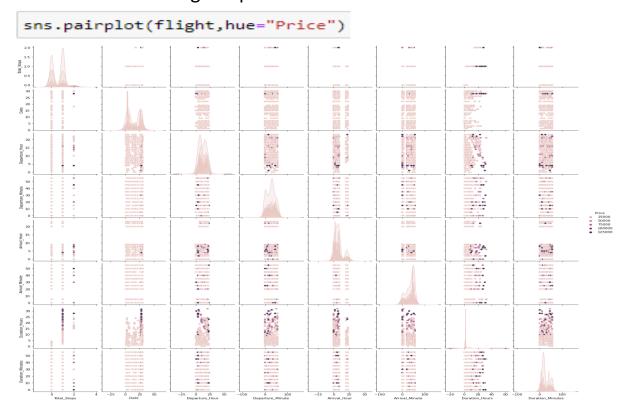
```
#BarPlot for comparision between "Arrival_Hour" column and "Price" column
plt.figure(figsize=(15,5))
sns.barplot(x="Arrival_Hour",data=flight, y='Price')
```

<AxesSubplot:xlabel='Arrival_Hour', ylabel='Price'>



Arriving Flight at '5 AM' is having high fare.

Multivariate Analysis (For comparison between all feature with target) Using Pairplot



We can observe relationship between all the continuous column and the target column by this pairplot in pairs which are plotted on basis of target column.

5. Interpretation of the Results

- Through Visualization it is interpretated that Data is skewed due to presence of outliers in Dataset.
- Through Pre-processing it is interpretated that hidden features was inside features, irrelevant values were present, outliers & skewness was present in dataset, data was improper scaled, multicollinearity was present.
- By creating/building model we get best model: Gradient Boosting Regressor.



1. Key Findings and Conclusions of the Study

Here we have made a flight price prediction model. We have done EDA, cleaned data and Visualized Data. While cleaning the data it is analyzed that:

- ❖ Airfares change frequently, in a minute it gets changes.
- They move in small increments or in large jumps.
- Flight Price tend to go up or down over time.
- ❖ Buy afternoon flight ticket with having No stop and 1 month earlier if possible so that we can save the most by taking the least risk.
- Flight price increases as we get near to departure date
- No Indigo is not cheaper than Jet Airways. But it is purchased most. There is a little difference in the fare of both flights.
- Morning flights are expensive mostly early morning that is 4AM flights.

After that we have done prediction on basis of Data using Data Preprocessing, Checked Correlation, removed irrelevant features, Removed Outliers, Removed Skewness and at last train our data by splitting our data through train-test split process.

Built our model using 5 models and finally selected best model which was giving best accuracy that is Gradient Boosting Regressor. Then tunned our model through Hyper Tunning using GridSearchCV. And at last compared our predicted and Actual Price of Flight. Thus, our project is completed.

2. Learning Outcomes of the Study in respect of Data Science

- This project has demonstrated the importance of scrapping data then converting that data of those data into csv and then using that csv file bult a model to predict on data.
- Through different powerful tools of visualization, we were able to analyse and interpret different hidden insights about the data.
- Through data cleaning we were able to remove unnecessary columns, values, special characters, outliers and skewness from our dataset due to which our model would have suffered from overfitting or underfitting.

The few challenges while working on this project were: -

- Improper scaling: scaled it to a single scale using Standard Scaler
- Too many hidden features: extracting and then removing multicollinearity from them.
- Converted datatype of target column
- Replaced irrelevant values or data from features
- Skewed data due to outliers: Removed using power transformer 'yeo-johnson' method and outliers was removed through zscore.

3. Limitations of this work and Scope for Future Work

While we couldn't reach out goal of 100% accuracy but created a system that made data get very close to that goal. This project allows multiple algorithms to be integrated together to combine modules and their results to increase the accuracy of the final result. This model can further be improved with the addition of more algorithms into it. However, the output of these algorithms needs to be in the same format as the others which will make modules easy to add as done in the code.