

PYTHON FOR DATA ANALYSIS PROJECT

SEOUL BIKE SHARING DEMAND DATA ANALYSIS

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1. INTRODUCTION

- During this project, we had to work on a **dataset** for estimating **Seoul Bike rental demand** based on a panel of **time** and **meteorological criteria**.
- Our purpose is to **visualize** and understand the links between our **target feature** ('**Rented Bike Count**') and the other variables in order to build a **model** using **machine learning** methods to **predict the amount of bike rented in the future** according to the selected features.



2. IMPORTATION OF THE DATASET

- We first imported all the libraries we needed for our project (we kept adding more libraries to the code chunk throughout the project)

0. Importation of the libraries

```
#We first import all the libraries that we will need  
import pandas as pd  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
%matplotlib inline  
import seaborn as sns  
import numpy as np  
import datetime as dt
```

- ... and the dataset on our notebook

1. Importation of the dataset

```
df=pd.read_csv("https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/00560/SeoulBikeData.csv", encoding="latin1")
```

3. DATA EXPLORATION

We then explored the **features of our dataset**:

- **14 features and 8760 records**
- The target value is '**Rented Bike Count**'

```
df.shape
```

(8760, 14)

The features related to...

Time periods:

- Date (*from 01/12/2017 to 30/11/2018*)
- Hour
- Seasons
- Holiday
- Functioning Day (FDay)

```
df.head()
```

	Date	Rented Bike Count	Hour	Temperature(°C)	Humidity(%)	Wind speed (m/s)	Visibility (10m)
0	01/12/2017	254	0	-5.2	37	2.2	2000
1	01/12/2017	204	1	-5.5	38	0.8	2000

Weather criteria:

- Temperature (Temp)
- Humidity (Hum)
- Wind speed (Wind)
- Visibility (Vis)
- Dew point temperature (Dew)
- Solar Radiation (Solar)
- Rainfall (Rain)
- Snowfall (Snow)

3. DATA EXPLORATION

- Luckily, our dataset **did not contain any null value**
- Here are the types of each feature:
- All the columns seem **useful** to our project, so we decided not to remove any.

```
df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 8760 entries, 0 to 8759
Data columns (total 14 columns):
#   Column                                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   Date                                  8760 non-null   object
1   Rented Bike Count                    8760 non-null   int64
2   Hour                                 8760 non-null   int64
3   Temperature(°C)                     8760 non-null   float64
4   Humidity(%)                          8760 non-null   int64
5   Wind speed (m/s)                    8760 non-null   float64
6   Visibility (10m)                     8760 non-null   int64
7   Dew point temperature(°C)            8760 non-null   float64
8   Solar Radiation (MJ/m2)              8760 non-null   float64
9   Rainfall(mm)                        8760 non-null   float64
10  Snowfall (cm)                       8760 non-null   float64
11  Seasons                             8760 non-null   object
12  Holiday                             8760 non-null   object
13  Functioning Day                      8760 non-null   object
dtypes: float64(6), int64(4), object(4)
memory usage: 958.2+ KB
```

4. DATA CLEANING

- We abbreviated and **renamed** the columns

```
df1=df.rename(columns = {'Temperature(°C)': 'Temp', 'Rented Bike Count':'Bike_Count','Humidity(%)': 'Hum',  
                        'Wind speed (m/s)': 'Wind', 'Visibility (10m)': 'Vis', 'Dew point temperature(°C)': 'Dew',  
                        'Solar Radiation (MJ/m2)': 'Solar', 'Rainfall(mm)': 'Rain', 'Snowfall (cm)': 'Snow',  
                        'Functioning Day': 'FDay'})
```

- We checked if there were **missing values** (there was not)

```
df1.isna().sum().sort_values(ascending=True)
```

- We **converted** the datatype of 'Date' column from string to datetime

```
from datetime import datetime  
df1['Date'] = pd.to_datetime(df1['Date'], format='%d/%m/%Y')
```

4. DATA CLEANING

Because we thought we lacked some time features, we finally **added some useful columns** to have a better insight of the model

- **'Day_week'**, a categorical variable to know the name of the day
- **'Month'**, a categorical variable to know the name of the month

```
df1['Day_week'] = df1['Date'].dt.day_name()  
df1['Month'] = df1['Date'].dt.month_name()
```

- **'Number_month'**, a numeric value to know the number of each month, which we created with a function returning the number

```
df1["Number_month"] = df1["Month"].apply(lambda x : number_month(x))
```

- **'Part_of_the_day'**, a categorical feature returning moments of the day based on the hour.

```
df1["Part_of_the_day"] = df1["Hour"].apply(lambda x : part_of_the_day(int(x)))
```

```
# Function to get the number of a month  
def number_month(month):  
    if month == "January":  
        return 1  
    elif month == "February":  
        return 2  
    elif month == "March":  
        return 3  
    elif month == "April":  
        return 4  
    elif month == "May":  
        return 5  
    elif month == "June":  
        return 6  
    elif month == "July":  
        return 7  
    elif month == "August":  
        return 8  
    elif month == "September":  
        return 9  
    elif month == "October":  
        return 10  
    elif month == "November":  
        return 11  
    else :  
        return 12
```

```
def part_of_the_day(hour):  
    if(hour < 6):  
        return "Night"  
    elif (hour < 12):  
        return "Morning"  
    elif (hour < 18):  
        return "Afternoon"  
    else :  
        return "Evening"
```


5. DATA VISUALIZATION

To understand the influence of the weather and the different periods of the year 2017-2018 on the number of rented bike in Seoul, we built several data **visualization models** especially thanks to the **libraries Matplotlib and Seaborn**.

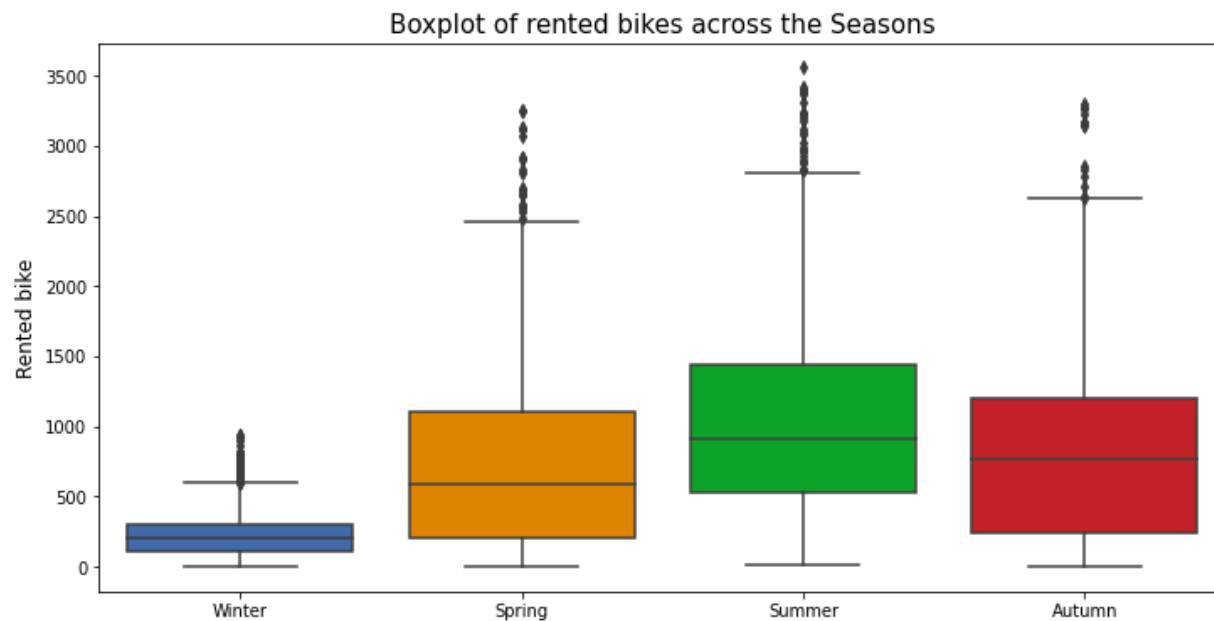
We have split our visualizations in two parts:

- 5.1 Visualizations based on **time variables**
- 5.2 Visualizations based on **weather variables**



5.1 VISUALIZATIONS BASED ON TIME VARIABLES

- **Seasons**



We also notice some outliers, as for some hours of the day, the demand of bikes is higher, no matter the season.

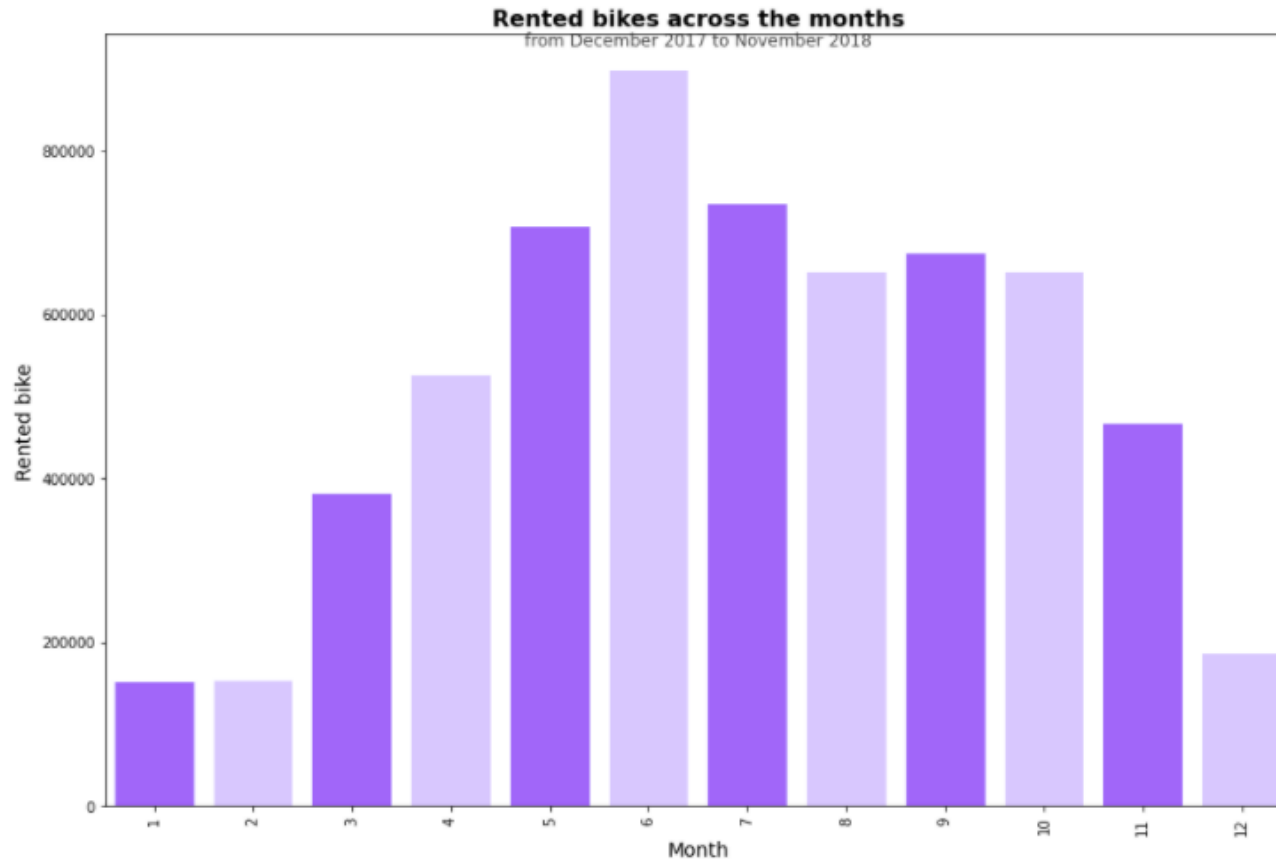
We can see on this boxplot that **bikes are usually more rented in Summer** and are very **less rented during Winter**.

The amount of bikes rented during **Spring and Autumn seems equivalent**, as the seasons do not really differ from each other.

As the box represents 50% of the data breakdown, we know that 500 to 1500 bikes are rented every hour in Seoul during the summer.

5.1 VISUALIZATIONS BASED ON TIME VARIABLES

- Months



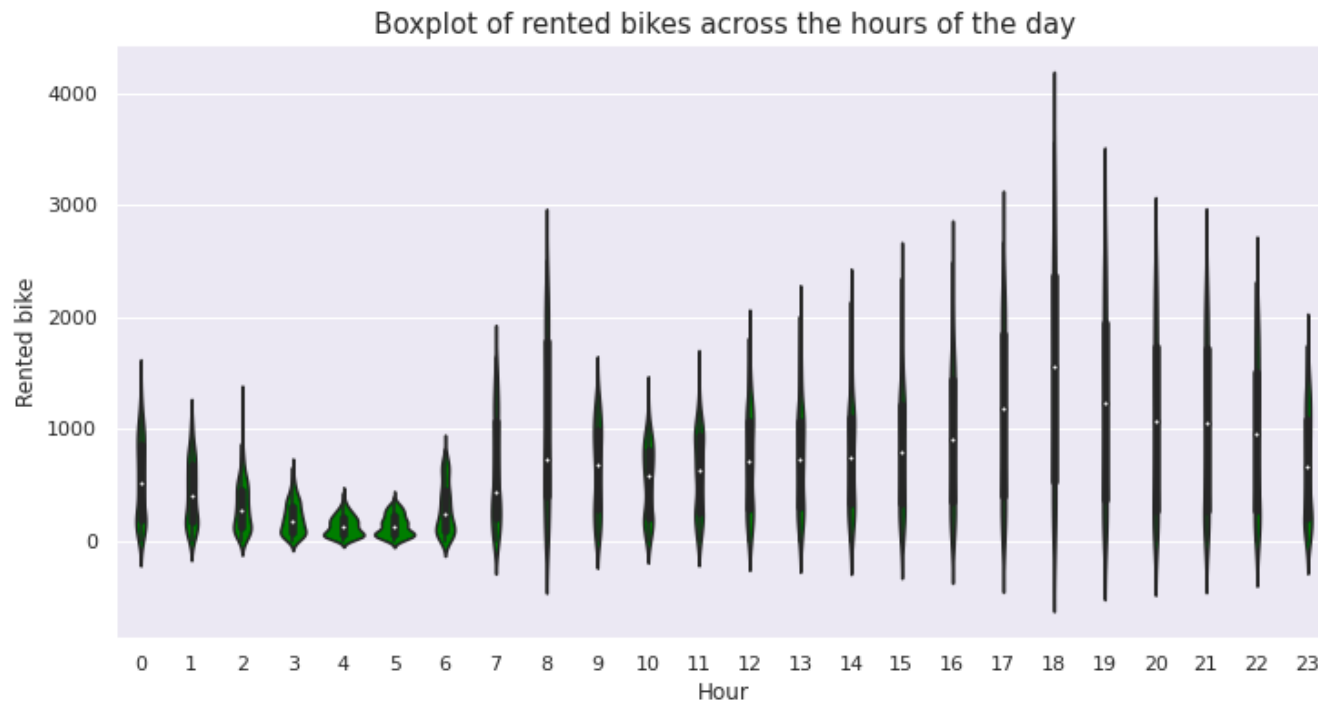
From this **barplot**:

- Most** bikes are rented in **June, May, July, August, September and October** (>600000 per month), so especially during Summer.
- Less** bikes are rented during **January & February & December** (<200000 per month), so especially during Winter.

Those months basically confirms the theory said before, that it is **during Summer that bikes are most rented**, where the weather is more warm.

5.1 VISUALIZATIONS BASED ON TIME VARIABLES

- Hours

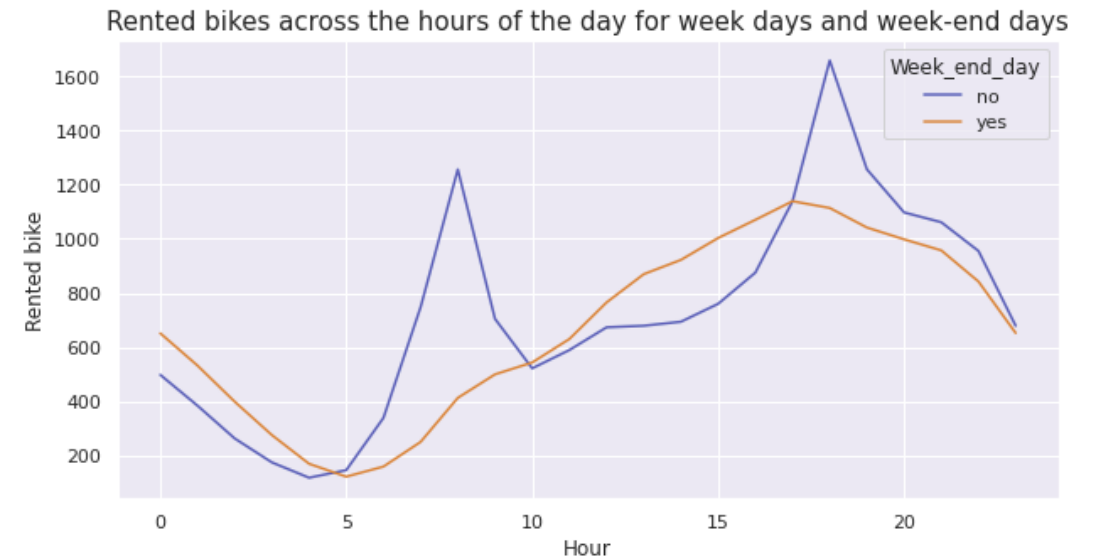
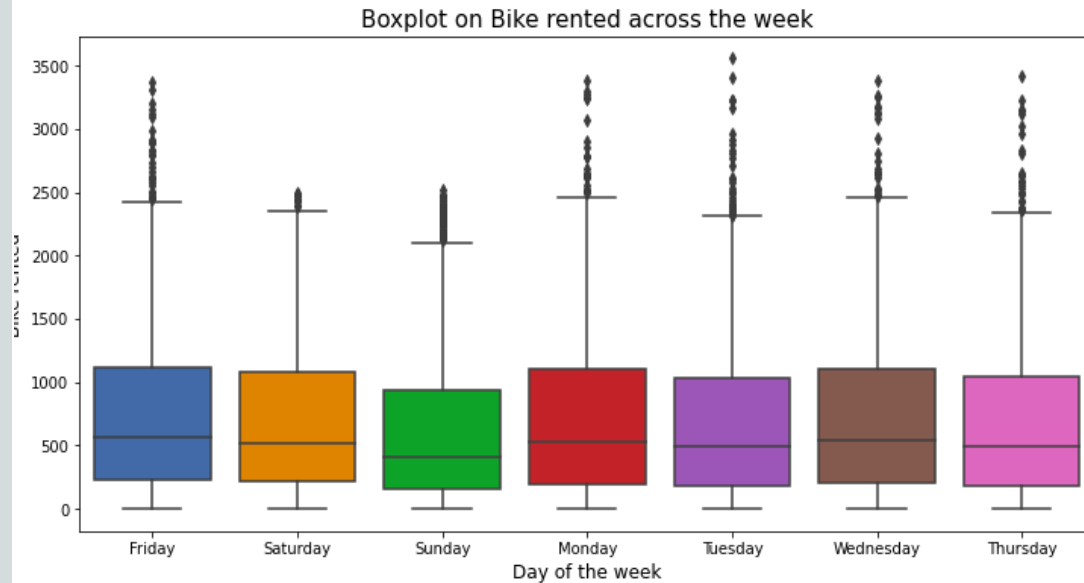


As we can see on the violinplot, the bike is **more used during the evening** (especially near **6pm**) and at **8am** and is **least used early in the morning** (near **4/5am**).

We could suppose that this could be explained because **people commute during those hours** and use bike to to do so.

5.1 VISUALIZATIONS BASED ON TIME VARIABLES

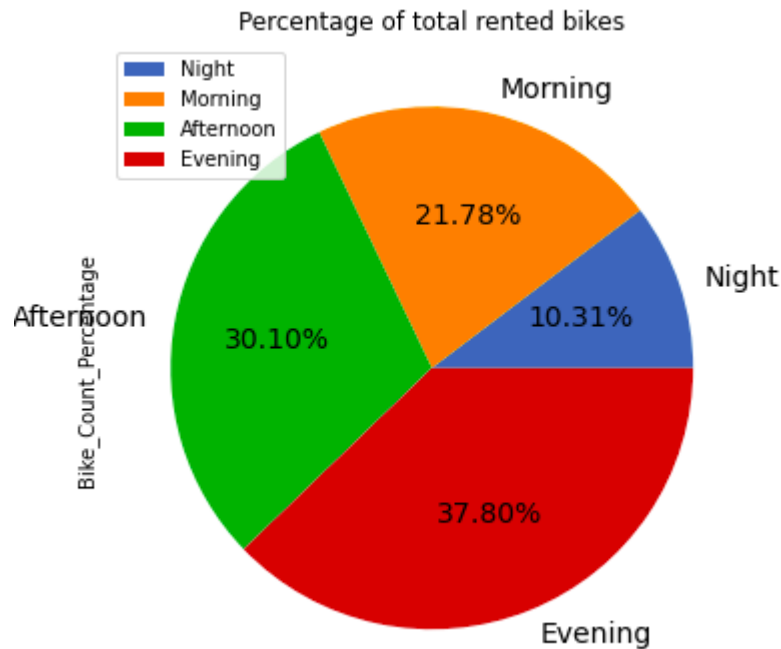
- **Week days / Week end**



- By looking on the median line of the boxplots, **bike rented demand is slightly higher during the weekdays** and especially on **Monday, Wednesday and Friday** than on Sunday.
- This theory is confirm thanks to the distribution graph, showing **2 peaks throughout the day**, illustrating **commuting periods**, for the weekdays blue curve and no such peaks for the weekend (Saturday & Sunday) orange curve. So the feature 'Holiday' is therefore important for our future predictions.

5.1 VISUALIZATIONS BASED ON TIME VARIABLES

- **Part of the day**

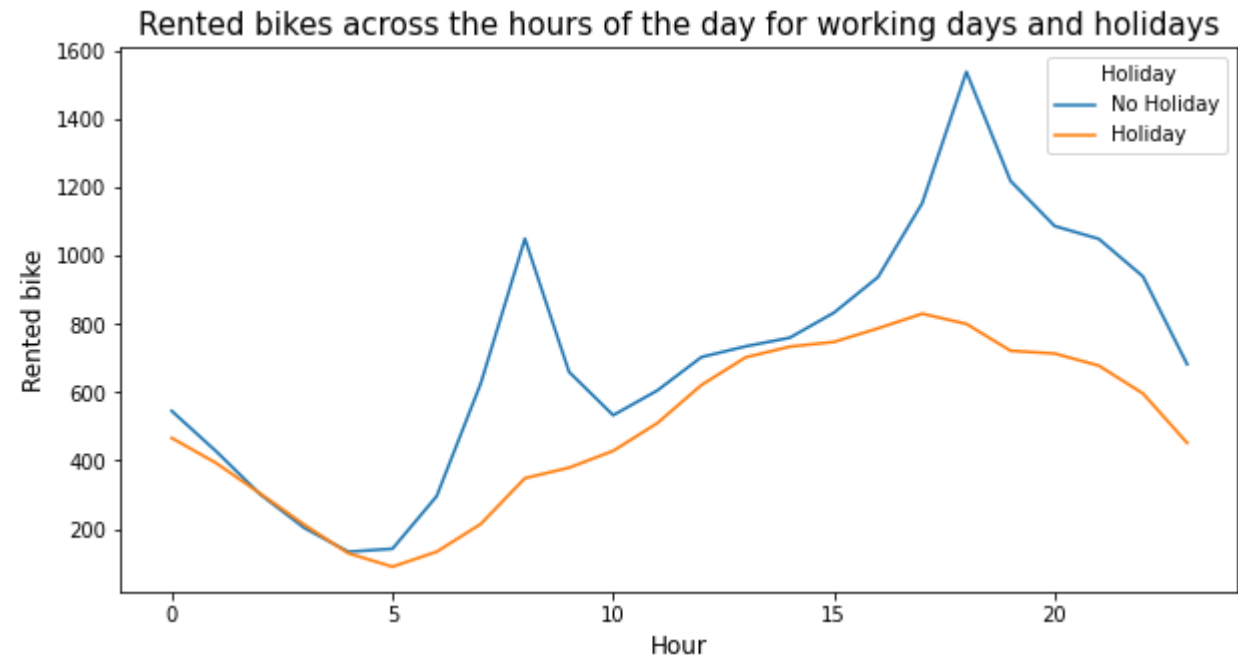
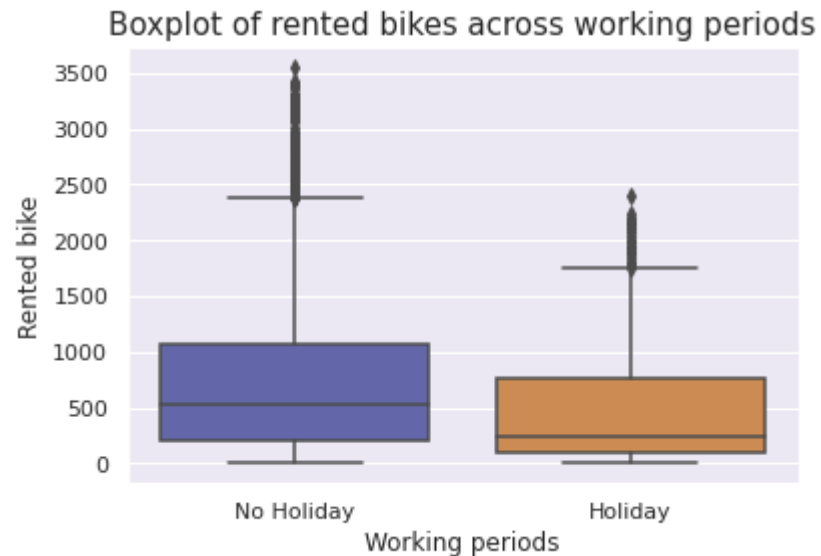


From this pie-chart, we can see that bikes are most rented in the second half of the day (67.90%), i.e. in the **afternoon** and **evening**, confirming the results seen before.

Only 10.31% bikes are rented during the night, because we could safely assumed that most people sleep during this time period

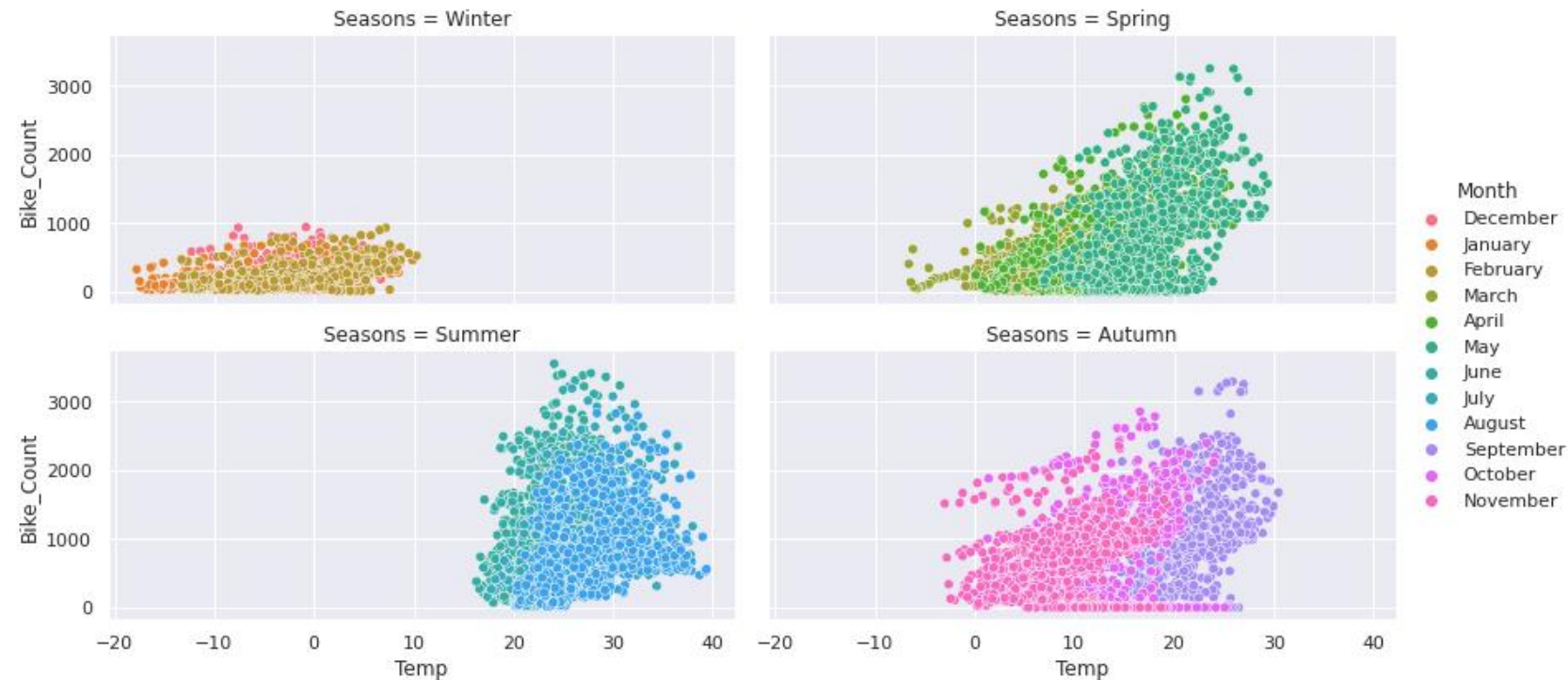
5.1 VISUALIZATIONS BASED ON TIME VARIABLES

- **Working / Holiday periods**



- We can see from this boxplot that **the bikes are more rented during working days than on day off.**
- On the right graph, we notice **two peaks illustrating the commuting movements** observed previously, but during holidays they are very less noticeable because people no longer commute so they use less their bikes. **Demand for bicycles increases** fairly gradually throughout the day **from 5am to 4pm-6pm.**

5.2 VISUALIZATIONS BASED ON WEATHER VARIABLES

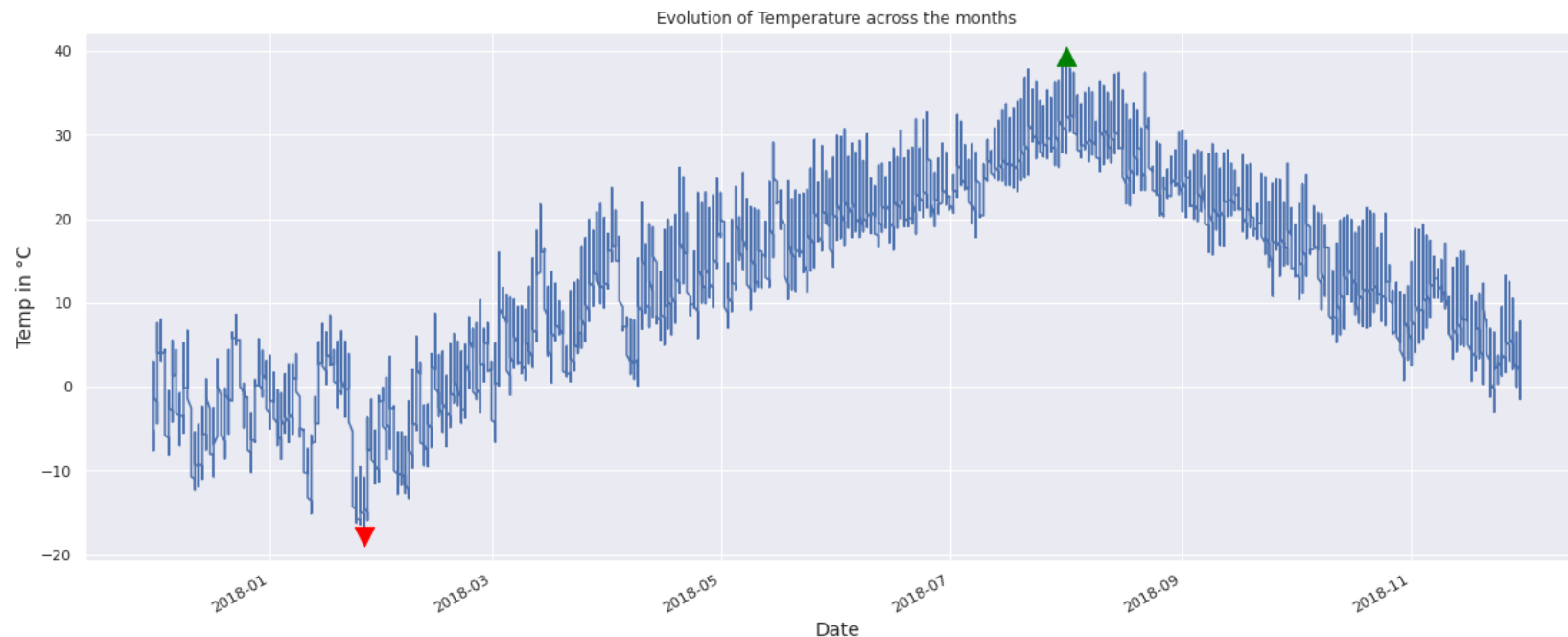


The four scatter plots confirms the **linked impact of the temperature and time period on the amount of bike rented.**

Most bikes are rented when the **weather is warm**, from **15°C to 30°C**, so especially during **Summer**

5.2 VISUALIZATIONS BASED ON WEATHER VARIABLES

- **Temperature across the months**



We can see that the Seoul has more a cold temperate climate

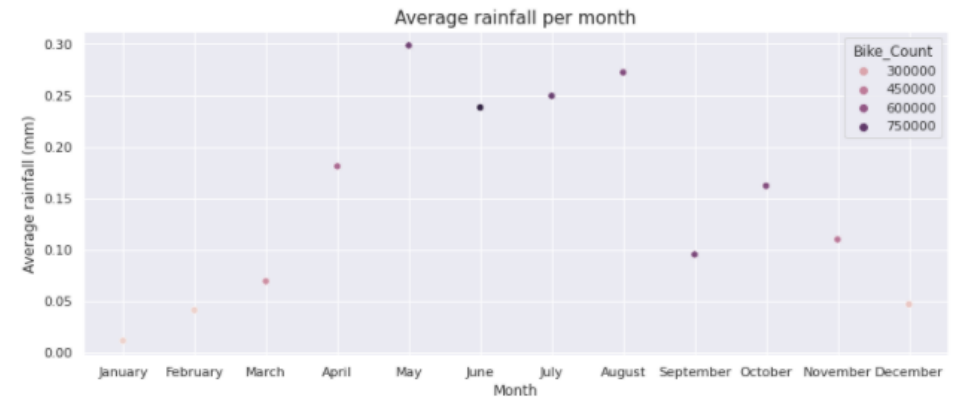
- High temperatures during Summer (20°C-40°C)
- Cold temperatures during Winter (10°C to -20°C)
- **Lowest peak:**
26/01/2018, -17.8°C
- **Highest peak:**
01/08/2018, 39.4°C

5.2 VISUALIZATIONS BASED ON WEATHER VARIABLES

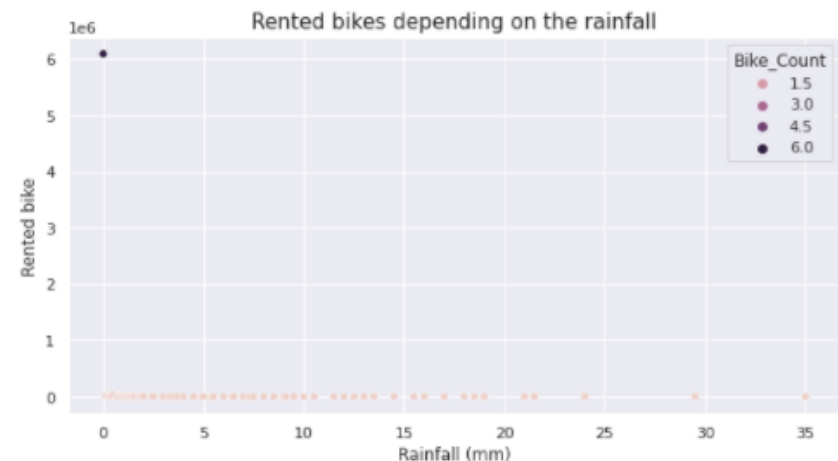
- **Impact of other features on the target variable**

We realized **scatter plots** for each meteorological features, to study the average impact of them on 'Bike_Count' per month. We concluded that:

- **Solar radiation, Dew point temperature, Wind and Visibility** may have a **strong influence** on the target variable due to their variation
- **Humidity, Snowfall, Rainfall** have **less influence** on 'Bike_Count', so in most of the cases, these weather factors do not stop people from riding their bike.



We noticed that Summer is the rainiest season in Seoul.



5. VISUALIZATIONS SUMMARY

- **To resume on time variables:**

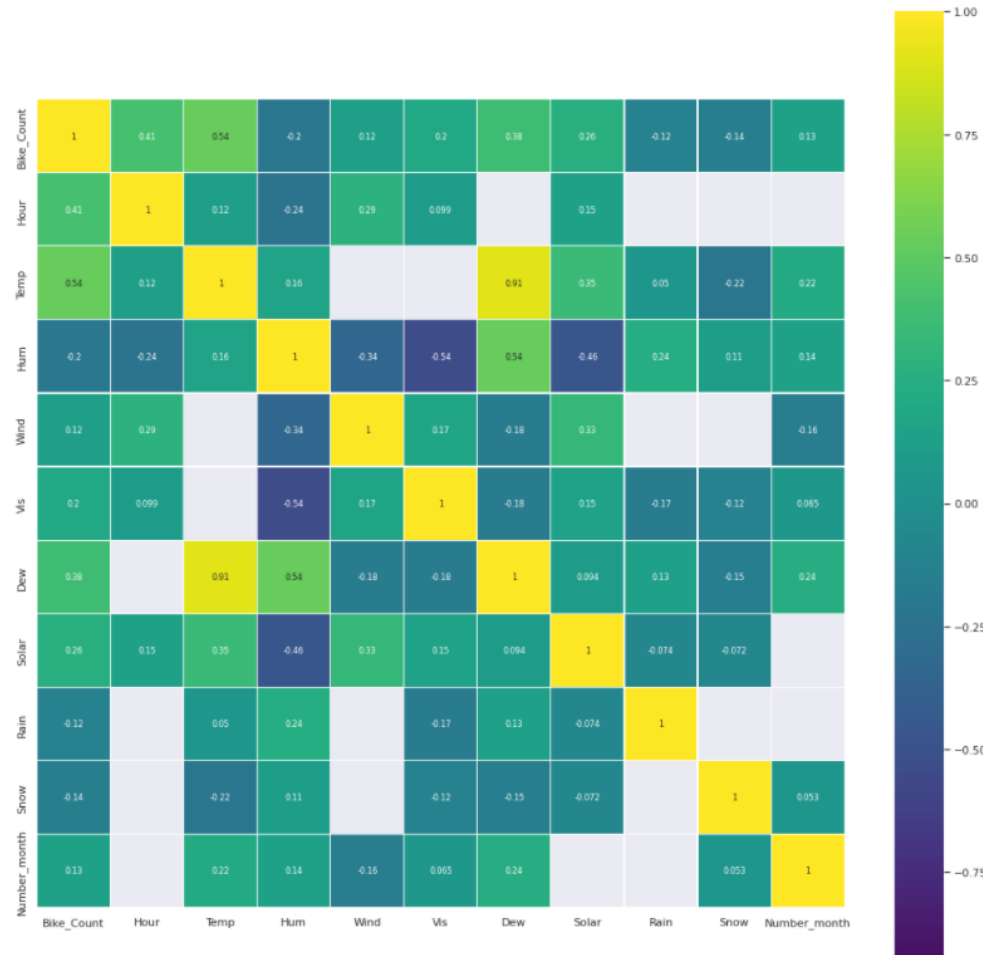
Most bikes are rented:

- During **Summer**, especially in **June**
- The demand increases **from 5am to 4pm-6pm**,.
- Peak at **8am** and **6pm**, corresponding to **commuting hours**
- During **week days** and **work days** than week end and holidays
- **All the features** seem to **have an impact** on the target variable

- **To resume on meteorological factors:**

- **Temperature** has the **highest influence** on bike rented
- **Summer** is the **rainy season** in Seoul but it **does not influence** bike rented
- **Solar radiation, Visibility, Dew point temperature** and **Wind** have an **influence** on the target variable
- **Humidity, Rainfall and Snowfall** do **not** seem to **have an influence** on the target variable.

6. DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION



In order to verify our observations, we made a **Correlation Matrix**

The matrix confirms what was previously said:

- **Snow, Rain and Hum are not correlated** with the target variable
- **Temp and Hour are strongly correlated** with the target variable
- **Dew, Solar and Vis are slightly correlated** with the target variable

We also carried a **PCA analysis** to have more precision on each variable based on the explained variance and we also found that **Wind does not have a strong impact on 'Bike_Count'**

7. FEATURE ENGINEERING

Now that we have selected the features to keep and to delete, we have to modify the dataset before creating our models. We have to **select the useful columns** and **convert the categorical features into numerical values**.

1- We remove the Windspeed, Rainfall, Snowfall and Humidity columns, keep the 'Number_month' column and delete the Month column (because they share the same informations)

```
# We remove the useless columns
del_columns = ['Snow', 'Wind', 'Rain', 'Month', 'Hum']
df_bike = df_bike.drop(del_columns, axis=1)
```

2- We convert 'Holiday' and 'Fday' categorical values to binary

```
[70] df_bike['Holiday'] = [1 if x=='Holiday' else 0 for x in df_bike['Holiday']]
     df_bike['FDay'] = [1 if x=='Yes' else 0 for x in df_bike['FDay']]
```

3- We convert the categorical features 'Seasons', 'Day_week', 'Part_of_the_day' and 'Week_end_day' to numeric values :

```
dummies = ['Seasons', 'Day_week', 'Part_of_the_day', 'Week_end_day']
dummy_data= pd.get_dummies(df_bike[dummies])
```

```
#we concat the 2 frames and drop the old columns
df_bike = pd.concat([df_bike, dummy_data], axis = 1)
df_bike.drop(dummies, axis=1, inplace=True)
```

We convert the 'Date' column values to numeric values

```
df_bike['Date'] = pd.to_numeric(pd.to_datetime(df_bike['Date']))
```

Finally, we check if all values are numeric

```
df_bike.apply(lambda s: pd.to_numeric(s, errors='coerce').notnull().all())
```

Date	True
Bike_Count	True
Hour	True
Temp	True
Vis	True
Dew	True
Solar	True
Holiday	True
FDay	True
Number_month	True
Seasons_Autumn	True
Seasons_Spring	True
Seasons_Summer	True
Seasons_Winter	True
Day_week_Friday	True
Day_week_Monday	True
Day_week_Saturday	True
Day_week_Sunday	True
Day_week_Thursday	True
Day_week_Tuesday	True
Day_week_Wednesday	True
Part_of_the_day_Afternoon	True
Part_of_the_day_Evening	True
Part_of_the_day_Morning	True
Part_of_the_day_Night	True
Week_end_day_no	True
Week_end_day_yes	True
dtype: bool	

8. DATA MODELING

Before creating our models, we **split the data** into a **train** and a **test set**.

```
x,y = df_bike.loc[:,df_bike.columns != 'Bike_Count'], df_bike.loc[:, 'Bike_Count']  
x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x, y, test_size = 0.33, random_state = 1)
```

And then, we **scale** the data.

```
sc = StandardScaler()  
x_train = sc.fit_transform(x_train)  
x_test = sc.transform(x_test)
```

We performed **9 different types of Regression models** :

- Linear Regression
- Ridge Regression
- Lasso Regression
- Support Vector Machine Regression (SVR)
- K-nearest neighbors algorithm for regression
- Decision Tree
- Random Forest
- Gradient Boosting
- Neural Network Regression

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For each model, we tried to change the **hyper parameters** and made a **grid search** to find the best ones. Then, we ran the model with those hyper parameters and printed the **coefficient of determination R^2** , the **Mean Squared Error (MSE)** and the **Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)**,

Here is an example with SVR model:

▼ Cross Validation

```
[ ] svm_svr = SVR()
    parameters = {"kernel": ['poly', 'rbf', 'sigmoid'],
                  "C": [100, 50, 25, 10, 5, 1.0, 0.1, 0.01],
                  "gamma": ['scale', 'auto']}

    grid_search = GridSearchCV(estimator=svm_svr,
                               param_grid=parameters,
                               cv=10)

    grid_search.fit(x_train, y_train)
    grid_search.best_params_

{'C': 100, 'gamma': 'scale', 'kernel': 'rbf'}
```

▼ Perform the model

```
✓ [87] svm_svr = SVR(C=100, gamma='scale', kernel='rbf').fit(x_train, y_train)
5s

# Prediction
y_prediction_svm_svr = svm_svr.predict(x_test)

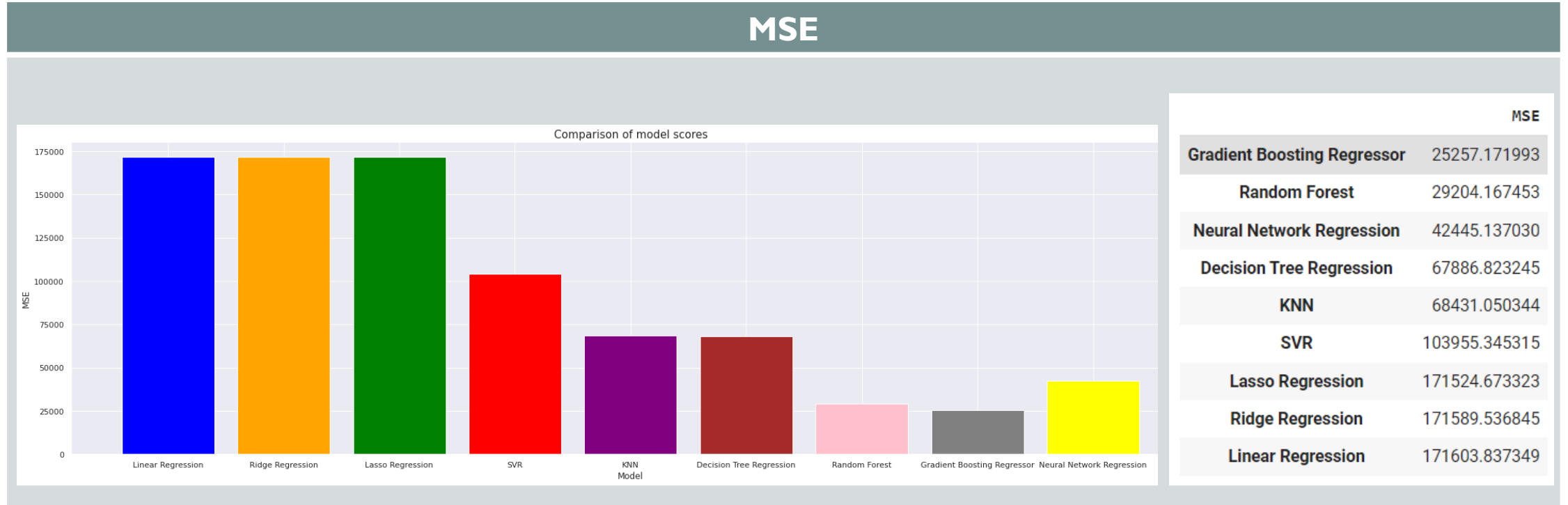
# Score
r2_svm_svr = r2_score(y_test, y_prediction_svm_svr)
MSE_svm_svr = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_prediction_svm_svr)
print("R2 =", r2_svm_svr)
print("Mean squared error =", MSE_svm_svr)
print("Root mean squared error =", np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test, y_prediction_svm_svr)))

R2 = 0.7451979674778288
Mean squared error = 103955.3453147767
Root mean squared error = 322.4210683481721
```

8. DATA MODELING

After creating all our models, we compared the results.

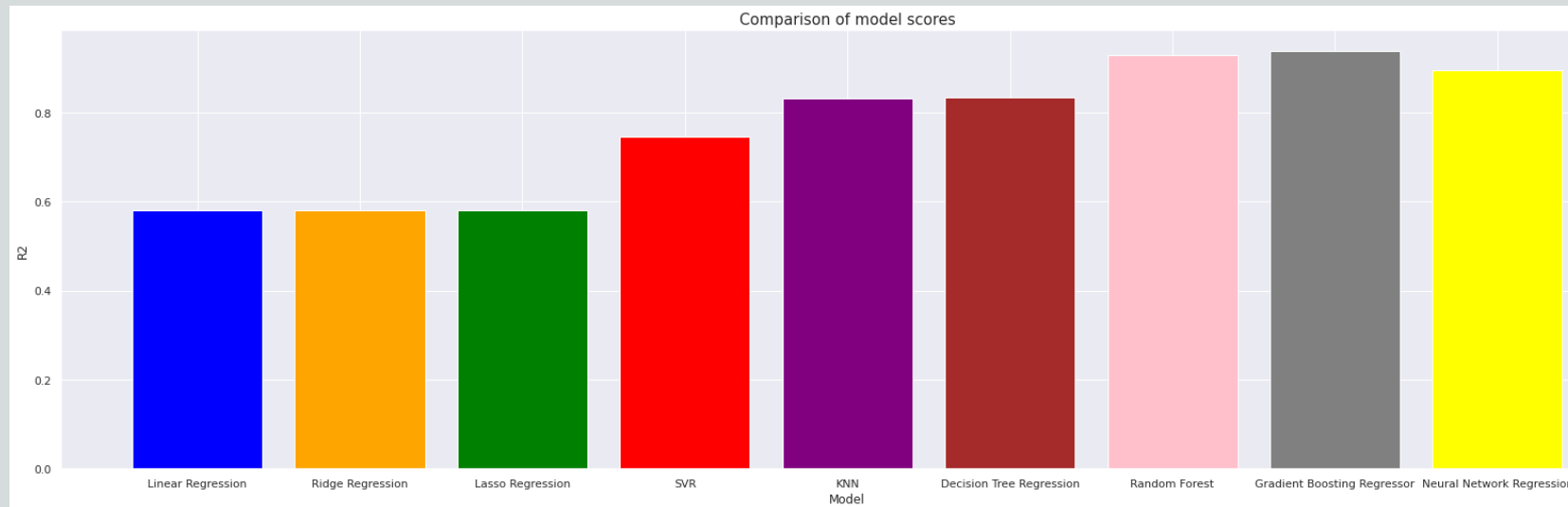
To do so, we compared the value for the MSE :



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And we compared the value for the R^2 :

R^2



	r2
Gradient Boosting Regressor	0.938093
Random Forest	0.928418
Neural Network Regression	0.895964
Decision Tree Regression	0.833605
KNN	0.832271
SVR	0.745198
Lasso Regression	0.579581
Ridge Regression	0.579422
Linear Regression	0.579387

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By looking at those comparisons, we can see that the best result is obtained with the **Gradient Boosting Regressor** model, because its MSE parameter is the lowest and its R^2 is the highest.

That's why we decided to choose this type of model to make predictions.

In order to try to have a better result, we performed a gradient boosting regressor model with **all features**. Here are the obtained results :

```
R2 = 0.9406712396161091  
Mean squared error = 24205.22988672927  
Root mean squared error = 155.58030044555534
```

We obtained a better score and decided to keep this model for the predictions,

9. API - FLASK

We had two choices of framework to transform our model into an API : **Django** and **Flask**.

We decided to choose **Flask** because Django is time-consuming, and it doesn't really worth it for a one- or two-pages' API. We didn't need complicated structures for our API, as the user just need to fill in a form, a couple of information (just need to make a single POST request) to obtain the prediction.



To predict the rented bike count, we used the model (gradient boosting) obtained in the Notebook.

We used **pickle** to serialize the model. This enable us to access to the model without having to run the entire notebook, and to make predictions with our Flask API.


9. API - FLASK


We created an .html template to present our solution.


Once the user has launched the API, all he has to do is fill in all the information requested and press the button at the bottom of the page to get the prediction. It will be displayed just below. He can then fill out the form again as many times as he wants to get more predictions.


PREDICTION OF BIKE COUNT REQUIRED FOR THE STABLE SUPPLY OF RENTAL BIKES

Time Factors :

Date : 

Hour : 

Holiday : 

Functional day/hours : 



Get the bike count prediction

Meteorological Factors :

Temperature : °C

Humidity : %

Windspeed : m/s

Visibility at 10 metres :

Dew point temperature : °C

Solar radiation : MJ/m2

Rainfall : mm

Snowfall : cm

Get the bike count prediction

Predicted Bike Count : [630.05649441]

10. CONCLUSION



Although it is possible to create a model with a good score and generate predictions, it is important to keep in mind that many parameters are related to the **weather**, which are **relatively random** and can vary a lot from year to year. As a result, **predictions may be distorted** by those weather factors.

In addition, we have in this dataset data ranging from 01.12.2017 to 30.11.2018, i.e. data for 1 year. We could have a **better model** if we had **more data**, for **other years** as well.

We are quite satisfied by the results of our work. With this project, we had the opportunity to work **on a real case and with real data**, which makes the study **more interesting**. We had the occasion to use the skills and knowledge we acquired with our Python and Machine Learning courses. But also learn how to expose our results on a web framework by learning to use Flask which allows to make APIs easily.

We had a **real progression** throughout the project, with an application of everything we learn during this course and even more thanks to our **researches** in order to **seek for the best visualizations and models**.

We have been able to **study the dataset in detail**, **observe the influence of the different features**, make **visualizations** of several types, **interpret them and draw conclusions** for the features to be used for the models to be built. We were able to use **models** we had seen in class but also **discover new ones**. And finally, after creating a performant model, we were able to present it through a **nice interface** by creating a **flask application**.