# **Porter: Delivery Time Estimation**

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.

#### **Problem statement**

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 esimation, based on all those features

### **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

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max_item_price : price of the costliest item in order
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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

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In [ ]:
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### **Broad steps in the notebook**

- load the data and understand the features
- feature engineering creating target variable(time taken for each order)
- cleaning the data and visualization
- preparing the data for training
- random forest regression
- neural network regression
- comarision of both ways

## **Importing libraries**

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In [2]: import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
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In [3]: !pip install tensorflow

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           Found existing installation: keras 3.2.1
          Uninstalling keras-3.2.1:
             Successfully uninstalled keras-3.2.1
       ERROR: pip's dependency resolver does not currently take into account all the packages that are installed. This behaviour is th
       e source of the following dependency conflicts.
       tensorflow-decision-forests 1.8.1 requires wurlitzer, which is not installed.
       Successfully installed keras-2.15.0
In [4]: #for reading and handling the data
        import pandas as pd
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import numpy as np

import os

```
#for visualizinng 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 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 MeanSquaredLogarithmicError
from tensorflow.keras.losses import MeanSquaredError
from tensorflow.keras.losses import MeanAbsolutePercentageError
from tensorflow.keras.metrics import mean absolute percentage error
from tensorflow.keras.metrics import RootMeanSquaredError
from tensorflow.keras.metrics import MeanAbsoluteError
from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import SGD,Adam
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## Loading the data from kaggle

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In [6]: for dirname, _, filenames in os.walk('/kaggle/input'):
    for filename in filenames:
        print(os.path.join(dirname, filename))

/kaggle/input/porter-delivery-time-estimation-dataset/porter_data.csv

In [7]: df=pd.read_csv('/kaggle/input/porter-delivery-time-estimation-dataset/porter_data.csv')
```

# Printing the head and information of the data to get an understanding of it

In [8]:	df.hea	ad()								
Out[8]:	ma	arket_id	created_at	actual_delivery_time	store_primary_category	order_protocol	total_items	subtotal	num_distinct_items	min_item
	0	1.0	2015-02- 06 22:24:17	2015-02-06 23:11:17	4	1.0	4	3441	4	
	1	2.0	2015-02- 10 21:49:25	2015-02-10 22:33:25	46	2.0	1	1900	1	
	2	2.0	2015-02- 16 00:11:35	2015-02-16 01:06:35	36	3.0	4	4771	3	
	3	1.0	2015-02- 12 03:36:46	2015-02-12 04:35:46	38	1.0	1	1525	1	
	4	1.0	2015-01- 27 02:12:36	2015-01-27 02:58:36	38	1.0	2	3620	2	

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In [9]: df.info()
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 175777 entries, 0 to 175776
Data columns (total 14 columns):
    Column
                                                  Non-Null Count
                                                                   Dtype
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    market id
                                                  175777 non-null float64
    created at
                                                  175777 non-null object
    actual delivery time
                                                  175777 non-null object
    store primary category
                                                  175777 non-null int64
    order protocol
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                                                  175777 non-null int64
    total items
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    num distinct items
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 13 estimated store to consumer driving duration 175777 non-null float64
dtypes: float64(6), int64(6), object(2)
memory usage: 18.8+ MB
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## Data preprocessing

### Feature engineering

We have the time at which the order was placed and time at which it was delivered, so we will create a new column for time taken in delivery and that will be our target column

Calculating time taken in delivery by subtracting the order timestamp from delivery timestamp

The time stamps that we have now are in object format and need to be convertd to datetime format for easily working with them as intended. The **pandas** datetime function checks if the data is in correct format for it and also understands the order of the data and converts accordingly

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In [10]: df['created at']=pd.to datetime(df['created at'])
         df['actual delivery time']=pd.to datetime(df['actual delivery time'])
In [11]: df.info()
       <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
       RangeIndex: 175777 entries, 0 to 175776
       Data columns (total 14 columns):
            Column
                                                         Non-Null Count
                                                                          Dtype
            market id
                                                         175777 non-null float64
        1 created at
                                                         175777 non-null datetime64[ns]
            actual delivery time
                                                         175777 non-null datetime64[ns]
            store primary category
                                                         175777 non-null int64
        4 order protocol
                                                         175777 non-null float64
            total items
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            min item price
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        12 total outstanding orders
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        13 estimated store to consumer driving duration 175777 non-null float64
       dtypes: datetime64[ns](2), float64(6), int64(6)
       memory usage: 18.8 MB
In [12]: df['time taken']=df['actual delivery time'] - df['created at']
In [13]: df.head()
```

Out[13]:		market_id	created_at	actual_delivery_time	store_primary_category	order_protocol	total_items	subtotal	num_distinct_items	min_item
	0	1.0	2015-02- 06 22:24:17	2015-02-06 23:11:17	4	1.0	4	3441	4	
	1	2.0	2015-02- 10 21:49:25	2015-02-10 22:33:25	46	2.0	1	1900	1	
	2	2.0	2015-02- 16 00:11:35	2015-02-16 01:06:35	36	3.0	4	4771	3	
	3	1.0	2015-02- 12 03:36:46	2015-02-12 04:35:46	38	1.0	1	1525	1	
	4	1.0	2015-01- 27 02:12:36	2015-01-27 02:58:36	38	1.0	2	3620	2	
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In [14]: df.info()

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 175777 entries, 0 to 175776
Data columns (total 15 columns):
    Column
                                                  Non-Null Count
                                                                  Dtype
    market id
                                                 175777 non-null float64
 1 created at
                                                 175777 non-null datetime64[ns]
    actual delivery time
                                                 175777 non-null datetime64[ns]
    store primary category
                                                 175777 non-null int64
    order protocol
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    total items
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dtypes: datetime64[ns](2), float64(6), int64(6), timedelta64[ns](1)
memory usage: 20.1 MB
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Now that we have our time taken for the delivery we can convert it to minutes and that will be our target variable to train the models

The timedelta is a datatype that stores the time difference and it is better we convert it to float and converting to minute does that as well

```
In [15]: df['time_taken_mins']=pd.to_timedelta(df['time_taken'])/pd.Timedelta('60s')
In [16]: df.head()
```

Out[16]:		market_id	created_at	actual_delivery_time	store_primary_category	order_protocol	total_items	subtotal	num_distinct_items	min_item
	0	1.0	2015-02- 06 22:24:17	2015-02-06 23:11:17	4	1.0	4	3441	4	
	1	2.0	2015-02- 10 21:49:25	2015-02-10 22:33:25	46	2.0	1	1900	1	
	2	2.0	2015-02- 16 00:11:35	2015-02-16 01:06:35	36	3.0	4	4771	3	
	3	1.0	2015-02- 12 03:36:46	2015-02-12 04:35:46	38	1.0	1	1525	1	
	4	1.0	2015-01- 27 02:12:36	2015-01-27 02:58:36	38	1.0	2	3620	2	
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We can also extract the hour at which the order was placed and which day of the week it was

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In [17]: df['hour']=df['created_at'].dt.hour
    df['day']=df['created_at'].dt.dayofweek
In [18]: df.head()
```

Out[18]:		market_id	created_at	actual_delivery_time	store_primary_category	order_protocol	total_items	subtotal	num_distinct_items	min_item
	0	1.0	2015-02- 06 22:24:17	2015-02-06 23:11:17	4	1.0	4	3441	4	
	1	2.0	2015-02- 10 21:49:25	2015-02-10 22:33:25	46	2.0	1	1900	1	
	2	2.0	2015-02- 16 00:11:35	2015-02-16 01:06:35	36	3.0	4	4771	3	
	3	1.0	2015-02- 12 03:36:46	2015-02-12 04:35:46	38	1.0	1	1525	1	
	4	1.0	2015-01- 27 02:12:36	2015-01-27 02:58:36	38	1.0	2	3620	2	
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Dropping the columns that are no longer required

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In [19]: df.drop(['time_taken','created_at','actual_delivery_time'],axis=1,inplace=True)
```

Checking null values in the data

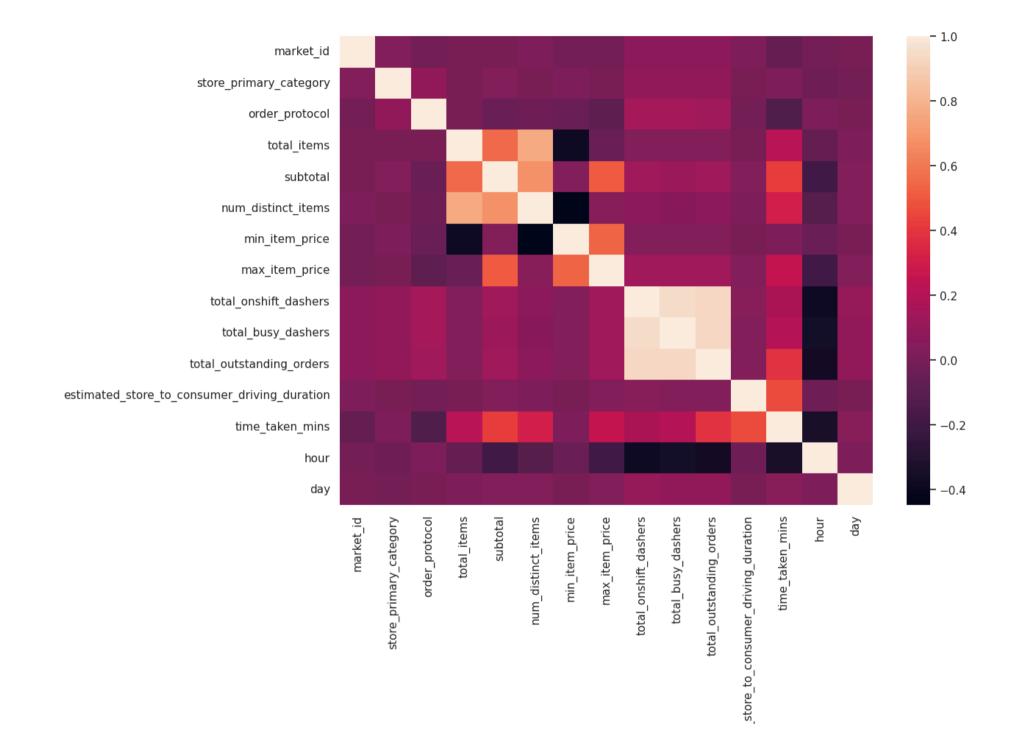
```
In [20]: df.info()
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 175777 entries, 0 to 175776
Data columns (total 15 columns):
    Column
                                                                 Dtype
                                                 Non-Null Count
--- -----
    market id
                                                 175777 non-null float64
 1 store primary category
                                                 175777 non-null int64
 2 order protocol
                                                 175777 non-null float64
    total items
                                                 175777 non-null int64
    subtotal
                                                 175777 non-null int64
    num distinct items
                                                 175777 non-null int64
    min item price
                                                 175777 non-null int64
    max item price
                                                 175777 non-null int64
 8 total onshift dashers
                                                 175777 non-null float64
 9 total busy dashers
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 10 total outstanding orders
                                                 175777 non-null float64
 11 estimated store to consumer driving duration 175777 non-null float64
 12 time taken mins
                                                 175777 non-null float64
 13 hour
                                                 175777 non-null int32
14 day
                                                 175777 non-null int32
dtypes: float64(7), int32(2), int64(6)
memory usage: 18.8 MB
```

In [21]: df.isna().sum()

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Out[21]: market_id
                                                           0
         store primary category
                                                           0
         order protocol
                                                           0
         total_items
                                                           0
         subtotal
                                                           0
         num distinct items
         min_item_price
                                                           0
         max_item_price
                                                           0
         total_onshift_dashers
                                                           0
         total busy dashers
                                                           0
         total_outstanding_orders
         estimated_store_to_consumer_driving_duration
         time taken mins
         hour
                                                           0
         day
                                                           0
         dtype: int64
         dropping null values from the data(if present)
         Plotting correlation to get an idea of the data
In [22]: sns.heatmap(df.corr())
```

Out[22]: <Axes: >

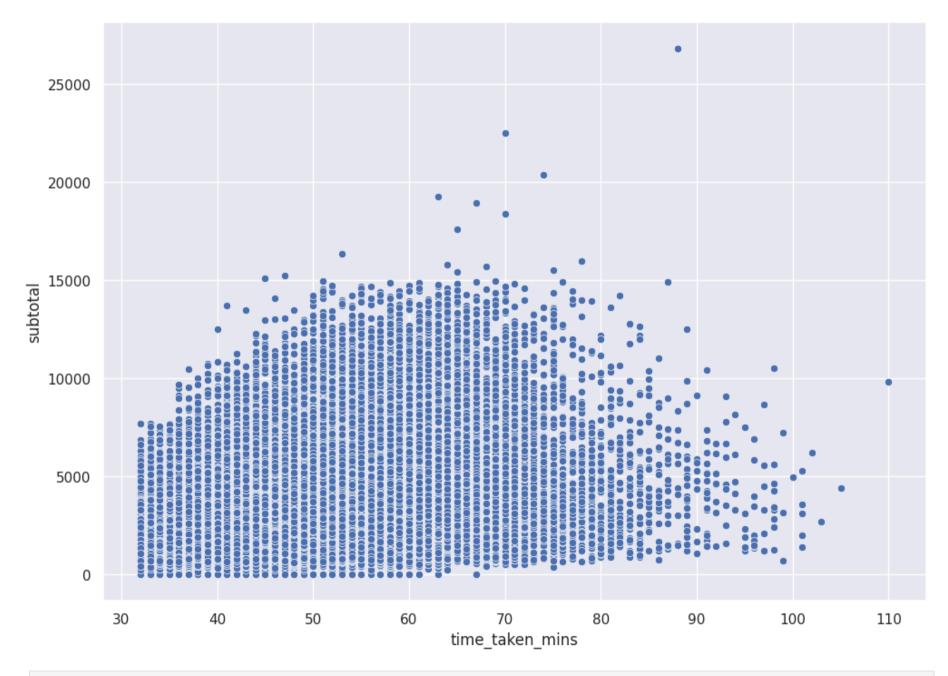


we have one categorical column which we will change to integer for model

```
In [23]: df['store primary category']=df['store primary category'].astype('category').cat.codes
In [24]: df.info()
       <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
       RangeIndex: 175777 entries, 0 to 175776
       Data columns (total 15 columns):
            Column
                                                          Non-Null Count
                                                                          Dtype
            market id
                                                          175777 non-null float64
           store primary category
                                                         175777 non-null int8
            order protocol
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            total items
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            subtotal
                                                         175777 non-null int64
            num distinct items
                                                         175777 non-null int64
            min item price
                                                         175777 non-null int64
            max item price
                                                         175777 non-null int64
            total onshift dashers
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           total busy dashers
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        10 total outstanding orders
                                                         175777 non-null float64
        11 estimated store to consumer driving duration 175777 non-null float64
        12 time taken mins
                                                          175777 non-null float64
        13 hour
                                                         175777 non-null int32
                                                         175777 non-null int32
        14 day
       dtypes: float64(7), int32(2), int64(5), int8(1)
       memory usage: 17.6 MB
```

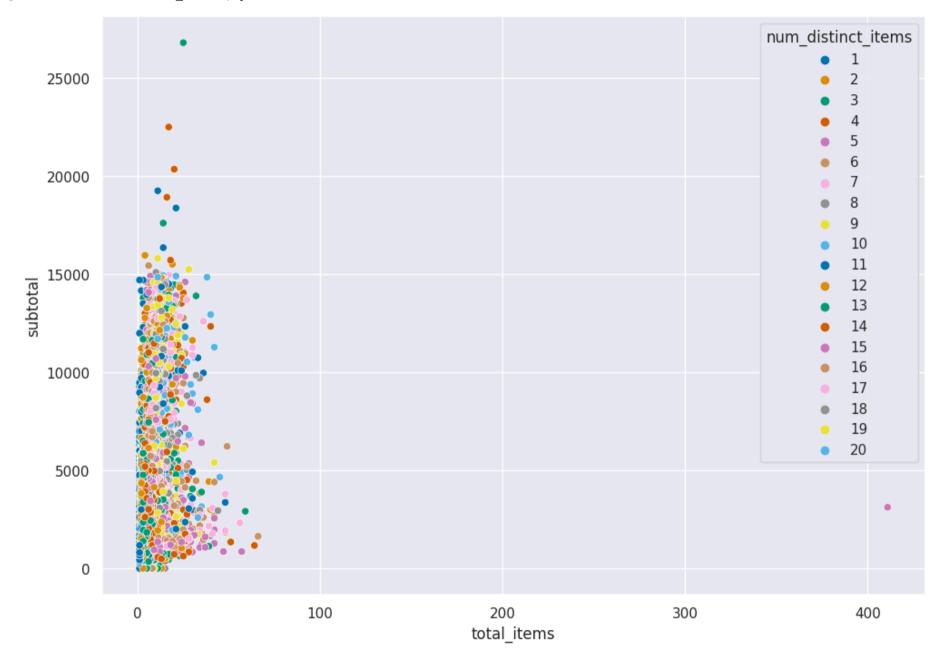
## **Data Visualization and Cleaning**

```
In [25]: sns.scatterplot(x='time_taken_mins',y='subtotal',data=df)
Out[25]: <Axes: xlabel='time_taken_mins', ylabel='subtotal'>
```



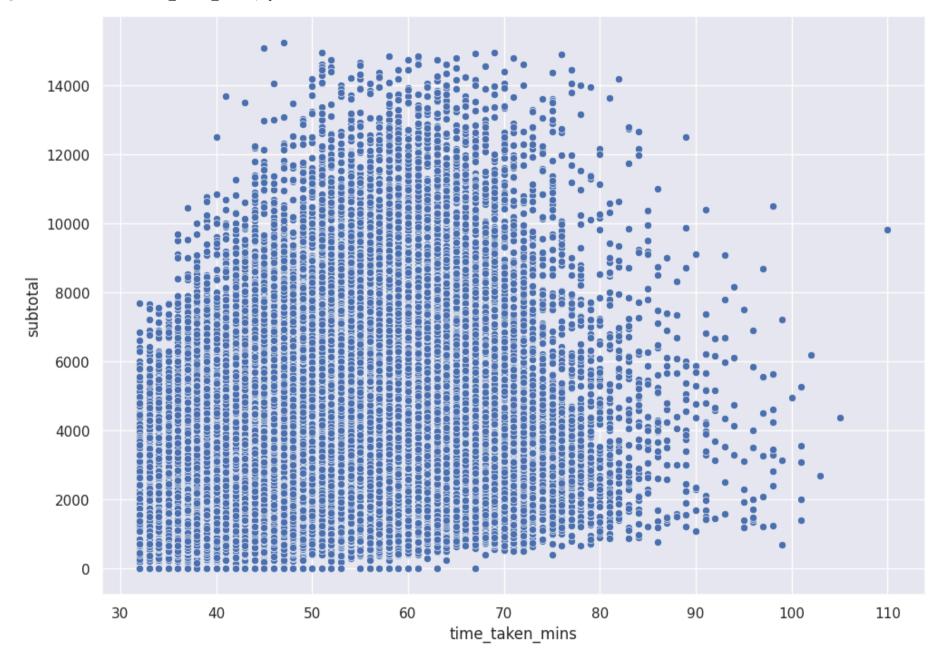
In [26]: sns.scatterplot(x='total\_items',y='subtotal',hue='num\_distinct\_items',palette='colorblind',data=df)

Out[26]: <Axes: xlabel='total\_items', ylabel='subtotal'>

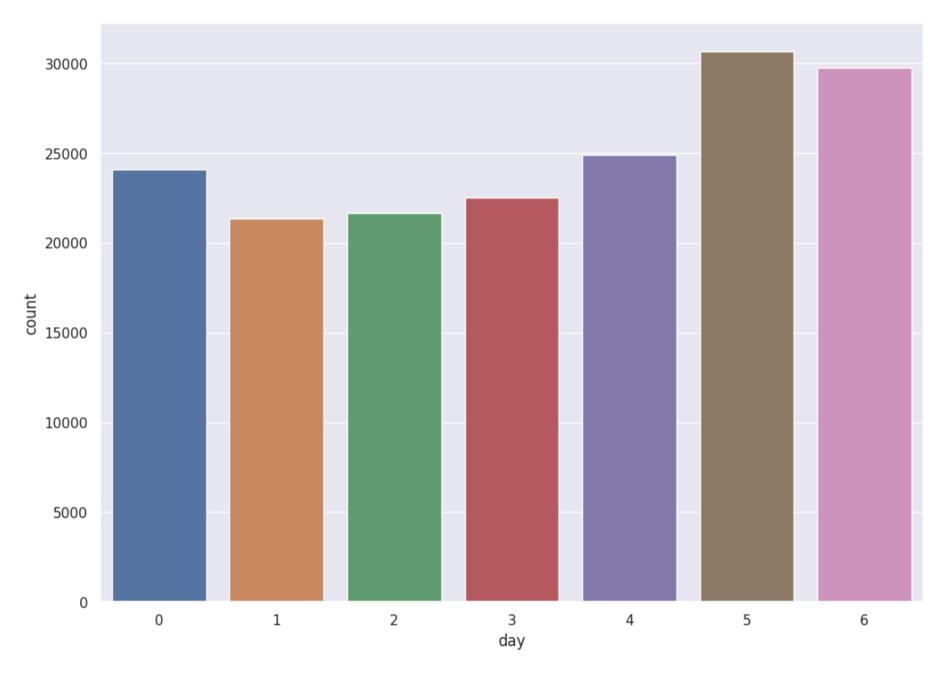


```
In [27]: from sklearn.neighbors import LocalOutlierFactor
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         model1=LocalOutlierFactor()
         #model1.fit(df)
         df['lof anomaly score']=model1.fit predict(df)
In [28]: print("number of outliers : ",(len(df.loc[(df['lof anomaly score'] == -1)])))
         df=df.loc[(df['lof anomaly score'] == 1)]
       number of outliers: 831
In [29]: df.drop(['lof anomaly score'],axis=1,inplace=True)
In [30]: df.info()
       <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
       Index: 174946 entries, 0 to 175776
       Data columns (total 15 columns):
            Column
                                                         Non-Null Count
                                                                          Dtype
            market id
                                                         174946 non-null float64
        store primary category
                                                         174946 non-null int8
            order protocol
                                                         174946 non-null float64
            total items
                                                         174946 non-null int64
            subtotal
                                                         174946 non-null int64
            num distinct items
                                                         174946 non-null int64
        6 min item price
                                                         174946 non-null int64
            max item price
                                                         174946 non-null int64
        8 total onshift dashers
                                                         174946 non-null float64
        9 total busy dashers
                                                         174946 non-null float64
        10 total outstanding orders
                                                         174946 non-null float64
        11 estimated store to consumer driving duration 174946 non-null float64
        12 time taken mins
                                                         174946 non-null float64
        13 hour
                                                         174946 non-null int32
        14 day
                                                         174946 non-null int32
       dtypes: float64(7), int32(2), int64(5), int8(1)
       memory usage: 18.9 MB
In [31]: sns.scatterplot(x='time taken mins',y='subtotal',data=df)
```

Out[31]: <Axes: xlabel='time\_taken\_mins', ylabel='subtotal'>



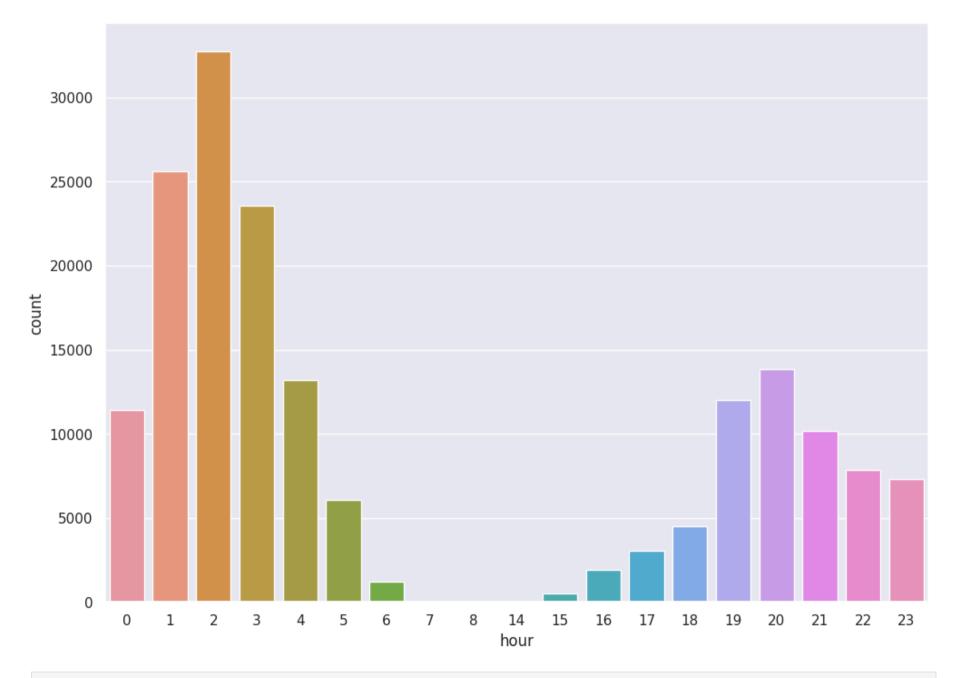
We can see that after removing outliers our data is looking better



a little more orders on the weekends

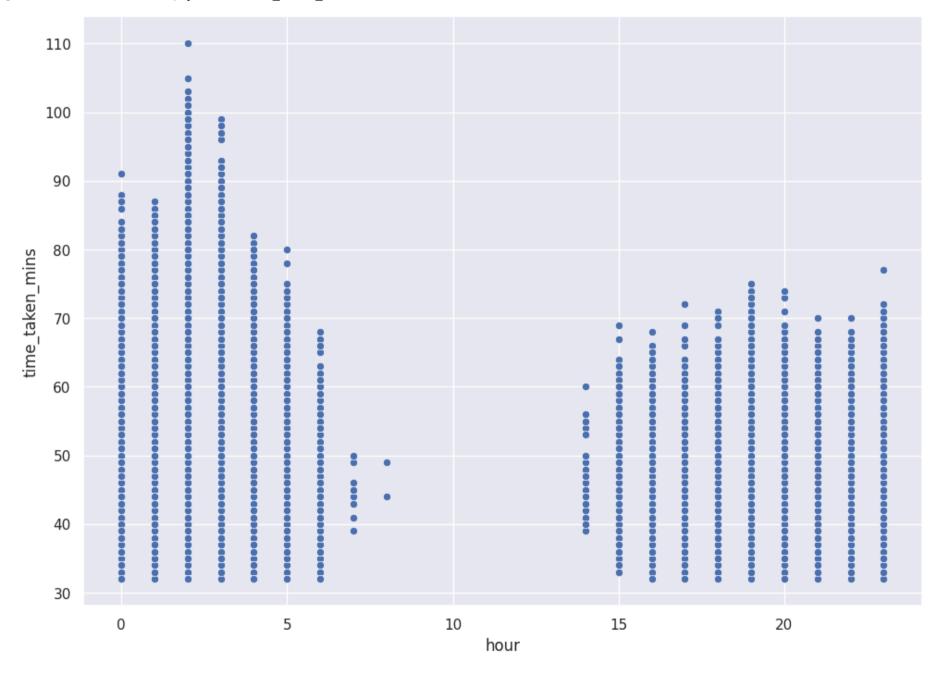
```
In [34]: sns.countplot(x=df.hour)
```

Out[34]: <Axes: xlabel='hour', ylabel='count'>



In [35]: sns.scatterplot(x='hour',y='time\_taken\_mins',data=df)

Out[35]: <Axes: xlabel='hour', ylabel='time\_taken\_mins'>

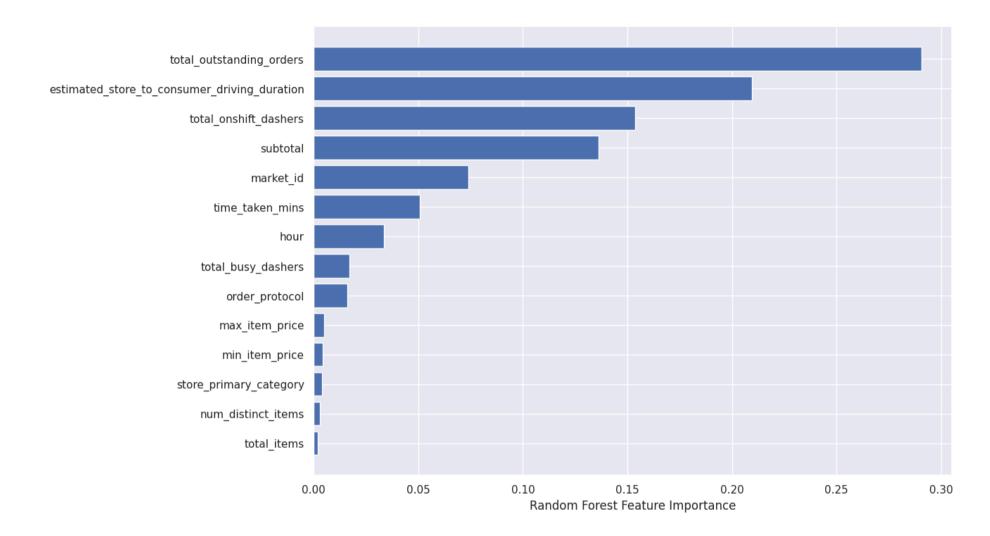


## **Data Splitting and Modelling**

```
In [36]:
         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,random state=42)
In [37]: x.head()
Out[37]:
             market_id store_primary_category order_protocol total_items subtotal num_distinct_items min_item_price max_item_price total_onsl
          0
                   1.0
                                                         1.0
                                                                                                  4
                                                                      4
                                                                            3441
                                                                                                                557
                                                                                                                              1239
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                                                                      1
                                                                            1900
                                                                                                               1400
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          2
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          4
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                                                                            3620
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                                                                                                                              2195
```

## **Random Forest**

```
mae=mean absolute error(y test,prediction)
         print("mase : ",mae)
       mse: 3.236834567019148
        rmse: 1.7991204981932556
       mase: 1.285313803943984
In [40]: r2_score(y_test,prediction)
Out[40]: 0.9623800597608164
In [41]: def MAPE(Y actual, Y Predicted):
             mape=np.mean(np.abs((Y actual - Y Predicted)/Y actual))*100
             return mape
In [42]: print("mape : ",MAPE(y test,prediction))
       mape : 2.76832678890719
In [43]: sorted_idx=regressor.feature_importances_.argsort()
         plt.barh(df.columns[sorted idx],regressor.feature importances [sorted idx])
         plt.xlabel("Random Forest Feature Importance")
Out[43]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Random Forest Feature Importance')
```



## **Neural Networks**

Scalling the data to feed before neural network

```
In [44]: 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 three layers,

we have kept the number of nodes in the first layers equal to the number of input columns, and for the subsequent layers 512,1024,256, 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

```
In [45]: model=Sequential()
    model.add(Dense(14,kernel_initializer='normal',activation='relu'))
    model.add(Dense(512,activation='relu'))
    model.add(Dense(1024,activation='relu'))
    model.add(Dense(256,activation='relu'))
    model.add(Dense(1,activation='linear'))
```

we use adam optimizer which is extention to classic schostic gradient descent(SGD) algorithm, but handles much of its drawbacks

Stochastic gradient descent maintains a single learning rate (termed alpha) for all weight updates and the learning rate does not change during training.

```
In [46]: from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import Adam
    adam=Adam(learning_rate=0.01)
    model.compile(loss='mse',optimizer=adam,metrics=['mse','mae'])
    history=model.fit(X_train,y_train,epochs=30,batch_size=512,verbose=1,validation_split=0.2)
```

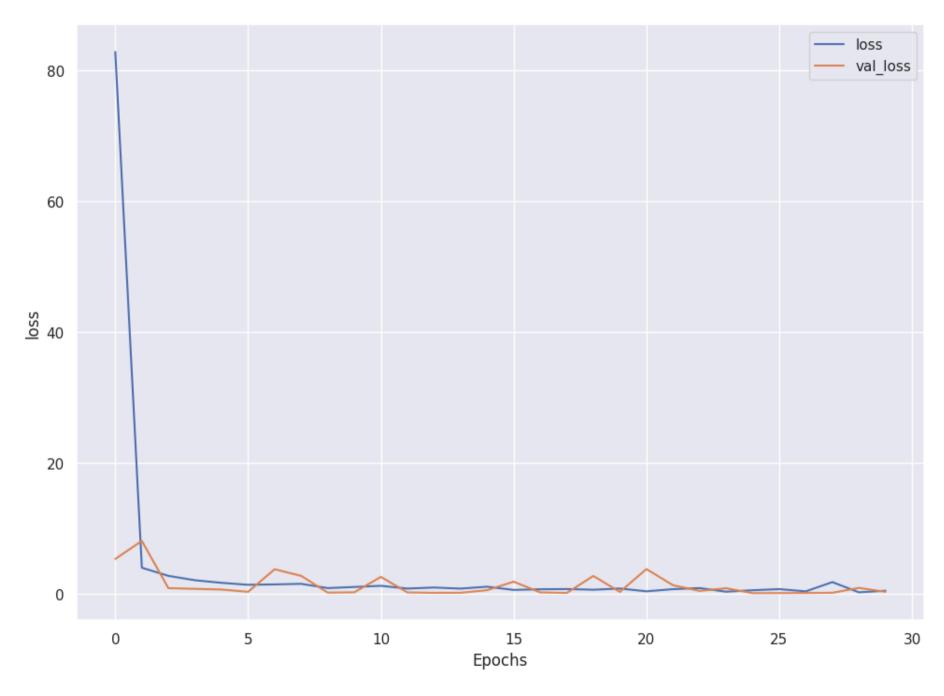
```
Epoch 1/30
se: 5.3444 - val mae: 1.7327
Epoch 2/30
e: 8.0985 - val mae: 2.5329
Epoch 3/30
e: 0.8793 - val mae: 0.7379
Epoch 4/30
e: 0.7736 - val mae: 0.6892
Epoch 5/30
e: 0.6698 - val mae: 0.6548
Epoch 6/30
e: 0.3191 - val mae: 0.4423
Epoch 7/30
e: 3.7672 - val mae: 1.8165
Epoch 8/30
e: 2.7575 - val mae: 1.4824
Epoch 9/30
e: 0.1968 - val mae: 0.3481
Epoch 10/30
e: 0.2430 - val mae: 0.3968
Epoch 11/30
e: 2.6022 - val mae: 1.5342
Epoch 12/30
e: 0.2280 - val mae: 0.3579
Epoch 13/30
e: 0.1640 - val mae: 0.3243
Epoch 14/30
```

```
e: 0.1719 - val mae: 0.3338
Epoch 15/30
e: 0.5716 - val mae: 0.6495
Epoch 16/30
e: 1.8717 - val mae: 1.2382
Epoch 17/30
e: 0.2296 - val mae: 0.3862
Epoch 18/30
e: 0.1518 - val mae: 0.3166
Epoch 19/30
e: 2.7383 - val mae: 1.4869
Epoch 20/30
e: 0.3098 - val mae: 0.4662
Epoch 21/30
e: 3.8000 - val mae: 1.8465
Epoch 22/30
e: 1.3264 - val mae: 1.0338
Epoch 23/30
e: 0.4590 - val mae: 0.5723
Epoch 24/30
e: 0.8658 - val mae: 0.8289
Epoch 25/30
e: 0.1159 - val mae: 0.2820
Epoch 26/30
e: 0.1268 - val mae: 0.2927
Epoch 27/30
e: 0.1334 - val mae: 0.2986
Epoch 28/30
```

we plot train and validation loss throughout training

```
In [47]:
    def plot_history(history,key):
        plt.plot(history.history['val_'+key])
        plt.xlabel("Epochs")
        plt.ylabel(key)
        plt.legend([key,'val_'+key])
        plt.show()

#plot the history
plot_history(history,'loss')
```



val loss is below training loss so our model is not overfitting

```
In [48]: z= model.predict(X test)
       1094/1094 [=========== ] - 4s 3ms/step
In [49]: r2_score(y_test, z)
Out[49]: 0.9962758051276646
In [50]: mse = mean squared error(y test, z)
         rmse = mse**.5
         print("mse : ",mse)
         print("rmse : ",rmse)
         print("errors for neural net")
         mae = mean absolute error(y test, z)
         print("mae : ",mae)
       mse: 0.32043120271985864
       rmse: 0.5660664295997941
       errors for neural net
       mae: 0.46901796443968646
In [51]: from sklearn.metrics import mean absolute percentage error
         mean absolute percentage error(y test, z)
```

Out[51]: 0.010093349651551706

By comparing the results of our neural network model with the random forest model we can see that without any tuning or creating pretty complex architectures for training our model we have achieved high accuracy

### **Leading Questions:**

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

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

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

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

Name 3 outlier removal methods?

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

Why is scaling required for neural networks?

Briefly explain your choice of optimizer.

Which activation function did you use and why?

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

Defining the problem statement and its applications:

• The problem statement involves estimating delivery time for orders placed through Porter's intra-city logistics service. This estimation can enhance customer satisfaction and operational efficiency. Modifications of this approach could be applied to various delivery services, optimizing logistics for e-commerce, food delivery, and more.

Functions provided by pandas datetime:

- 1. **dt.year**: Extracts the year from datetime objects.
- 2. **dt.month**: Extracts the month from datetime objects.
- 3. **dt.day**: Extracts the day from datetime objects.

Brief note on datetime, timedelta, and time span (period):

- **Datetime**: Represents a specific point in time, including both date and time components.
- Timedelta: Represents the difference between two datetime objects, providing flexibility for time calculations.
- Time span (period): Represents a specific duration or interval of time, typically used in time series analysis to denote a fixed frequency.

Need to check for outliers in data:

• Outliers can skew statistical analyses and machine learning models, leading to inaccurate results and reduced model performance. Identifying and handling outliers is crucial for ensuring the robustness and reliability of analyses and predictions.

Outlier removal methods:

- 1. Standard deviation method: Removing data points that fall outside a certain number of standard deviations from the mean.
- 2. Interquartile range (IQR) method: Removing data points that fall outside a specified range defined by the first and third quartiles.
- 3. **Z-score method**: Removing data points with z-scores above or below a certain threshold.

Classical machine learning methods for this problem:

• Classical machine learning methods such as linear regression, decision trees, random forests, and gradient boosting can be used for regression tasks like delivery time estimation. These methods offer interpretable models and can handle a variety of feature types.

Scaling requirement for neural networks:

• Scaling is required for neural networks to ensure that all input features contribute proportionally to the model's training process. Without scaling, features with larger magnitudes can dominate the learning process, leading to slower convergence and suboptimal performance.

Choice of optimizer:

• I chose the Adam optimizer for its adaptive learning rate properties, which can lead to faster convergence and better generalization performance compared to traditional gradient descent algorithms.

Activation function choice:

• I used the ReLU (Rectified Linear Unit) activation function for hidden layers due to its ability to mitigate the vanishing gradient problem and accelerate convergence through efficient gradient propagation.

Neural network performance on a large dataset:

• Neural networks perform well on large datasets due to their capacity to learn complex patterns and relationships from vast amounts of data. With more data, neural networks can better generalize to unseen examples, resulting in improved performance and robustness.

Additionally, neural networks can effectively utilize parallel processing capabilities to handle large-scale training tasks efficiently.

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To conclude after above excersize, here are some findings and recommendations:

### Findings:

#### 1. Data Preprocessing and Feature Engineering:

- The dataset contains various features such as market ID, order timestamps, total items, and more, which are crucial for regression analysis.
- Feature engineering involved creating new features such as hour of day, day of the week, and the target variable delivery time.

#### 2. Data Visualization and Cleaning:

- Visualization revealed insights into the distribution and relationships between different features.
- Outliers were detected, potentially skewing the analysis and model performance.

#### 3. Regression with Neural Networks:

- The dataset was split into training and testing sets for model evaluation.
- Data scaling was performed to ensure all features contribute proportionally to model training.
- Different configurations and hyperparameters were explored to optimize the neural network architecture.
- Model training involved defining the neural network architecture, selecting activation functions, optimizers, and training for multiple epochs.

### **Recommendations:**

### 1. Data Preprocessing:

- Further exploration of data quality issues and missing values should be conducted to ensure the reliability of the analysis.
- Consider additional feature engineering techniques such as interaction terms or polynomial features to capture more complex relationships in the data.

#### 2. Outlier Handling:

- Outliers should be carefully examined to determine if they represent genuine data points or erroneous entries.
- Employ robust outlier detection methods and consider domain knowledge to decide whether to remove or adjust outlier values.

#### 3. Model Evaluation:

• Besides traditional regression metrics like MSE, RMSE, and MAE, consider evaluating the model's performance using domain-specific metrics such as delivery time accuracy within a certain time window.

• Explore techniques like cross-validation to assess the model's generalization ability more effectively.

### 4. Neural Network Optimization:

- Continue experimenting with different neural network architectures, including varying the number of layers, neurons per layer, and regularization techniques like dropout or L2 regularization.
- Perform hyperparameter tuning using techniques like grid search or random search to find the optimal combination of parameters for model performance.

### 5. **Deployment and Monitoring**:

- Once a satisfactory model is developed, deploy it in a production environment for real-time delivery time estimation.
- Implement monitoring systems to track model performance over time and retrain the model periodically with new data to ensure its accuracy and relevance.

#### 6. Customer Satisfaction and Operational Efficiency:

- Use the estimated delivery time to provide customers with accurate delivery estimates, improving their experience and satisfaction.
- Optimize logistics operations by efficiently allocating delivery partners based on demand and improving overall service quality.

By implementing these recommendations, Porter can enhance its delivery time estimation capabilities, leading to improved customer satisfaction, operational efficiency, and business performance.

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