

# Prediction of Precipitation in London



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# WorkFlow



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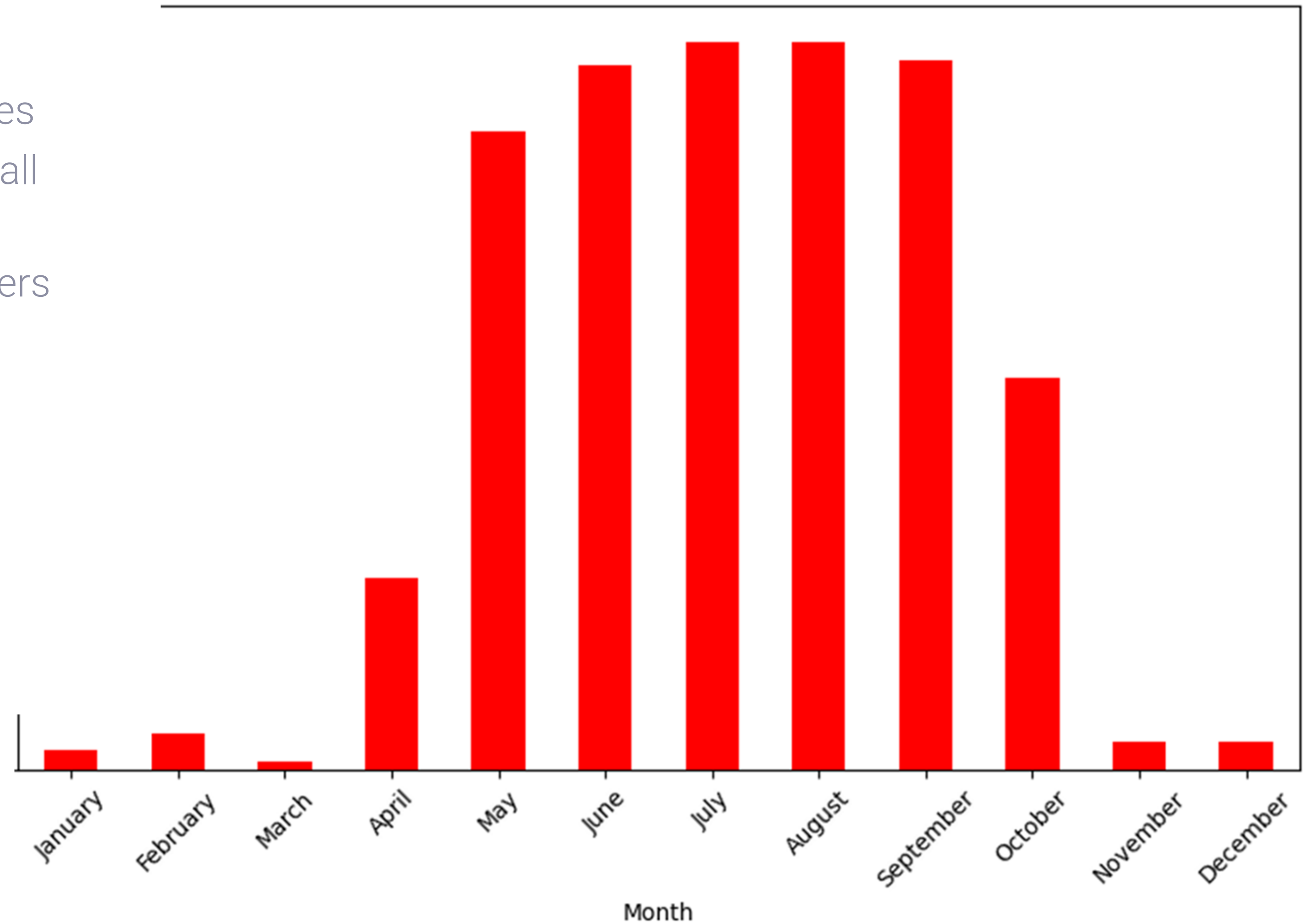


# Pre-Processing

EDA

- Removed rows with any null values
- SD made the decision to convert all null values to 0
- Removed rows with strange outliers such as  $TX < TN$

Missing snow depth Counts by Month (January to December)

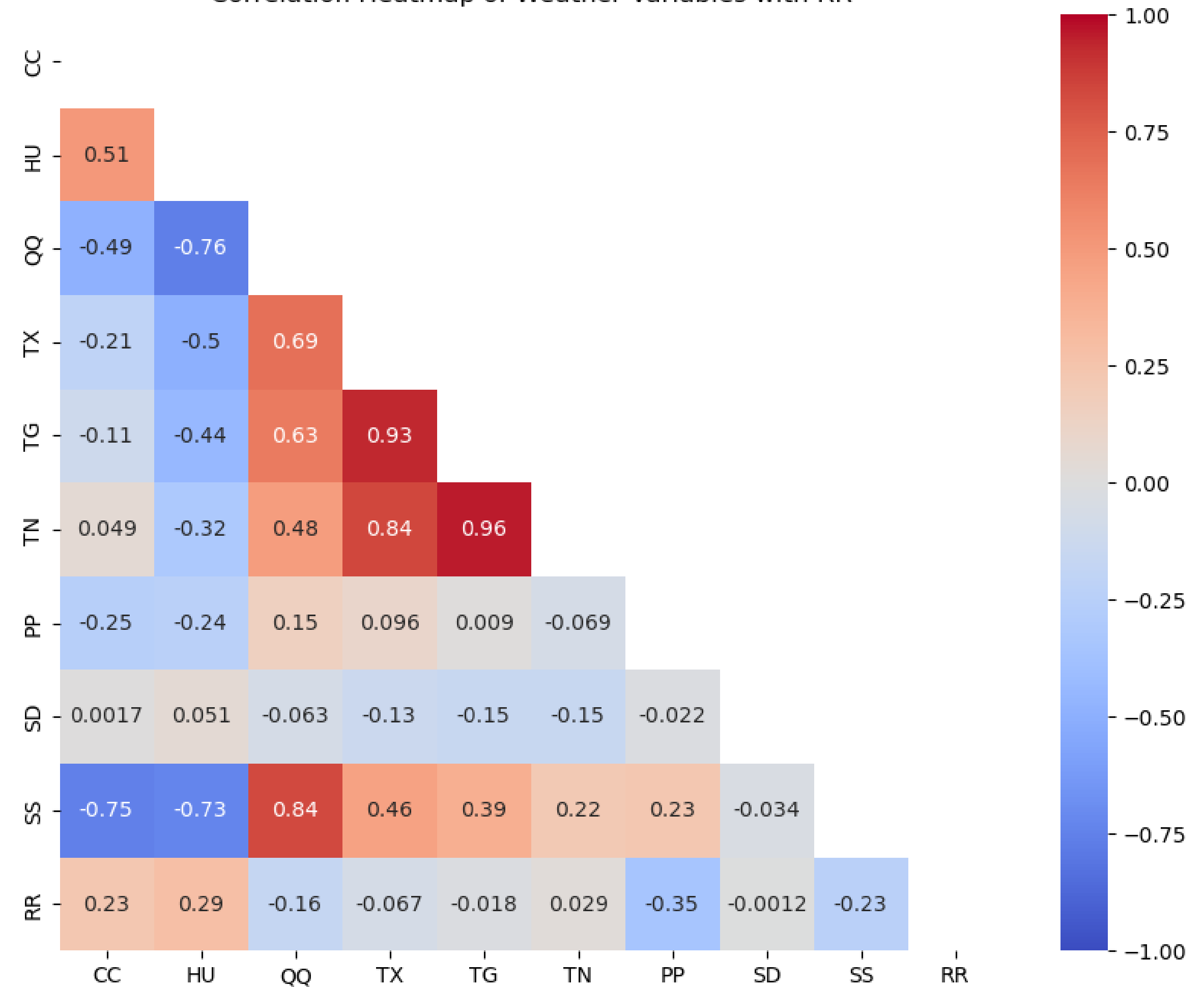


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- Strongest positive correlation is with HU (Humidity)
- Strongest negative correlation is with PP (Pressure)

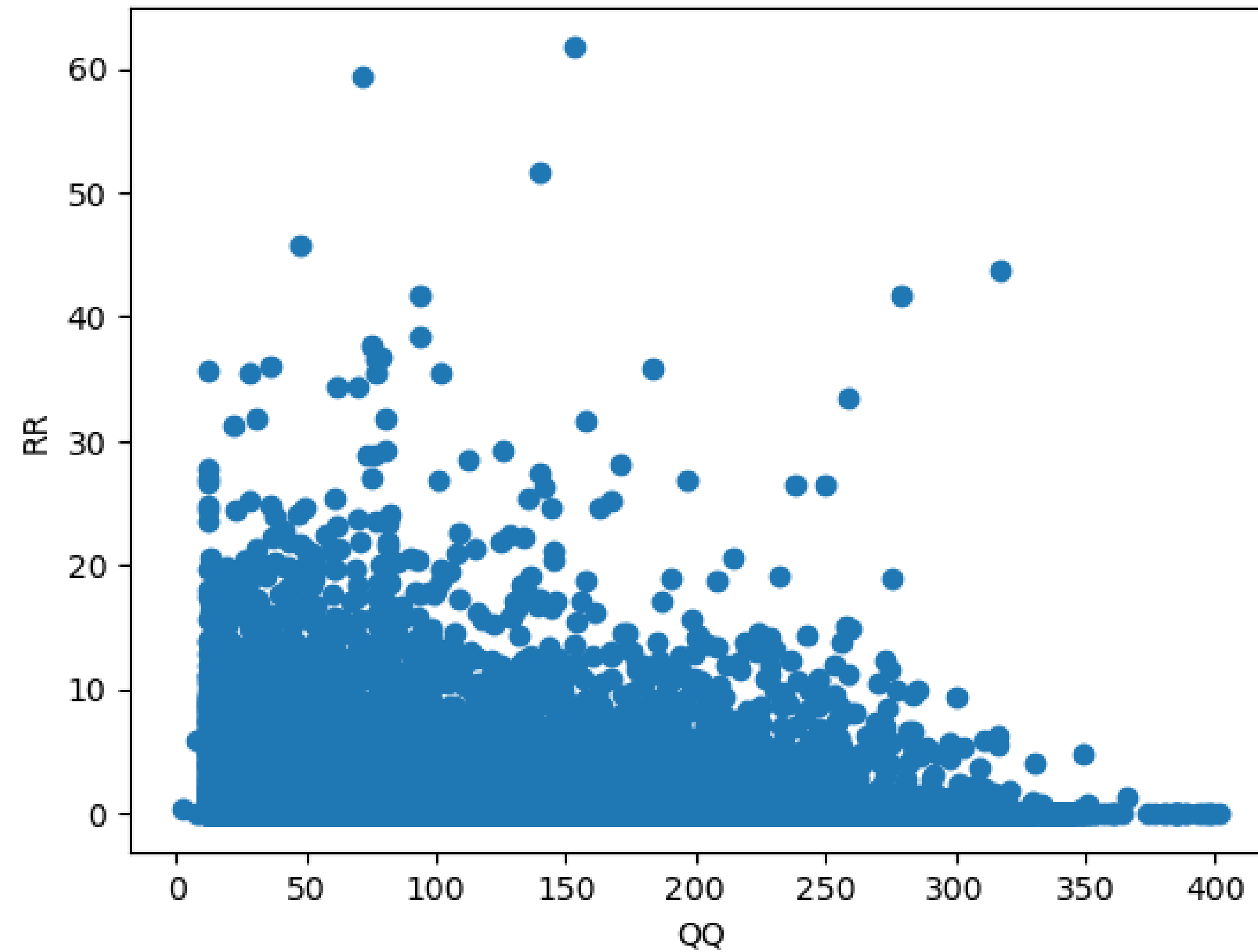
Correlation Heatmap of Weather Variables with RR



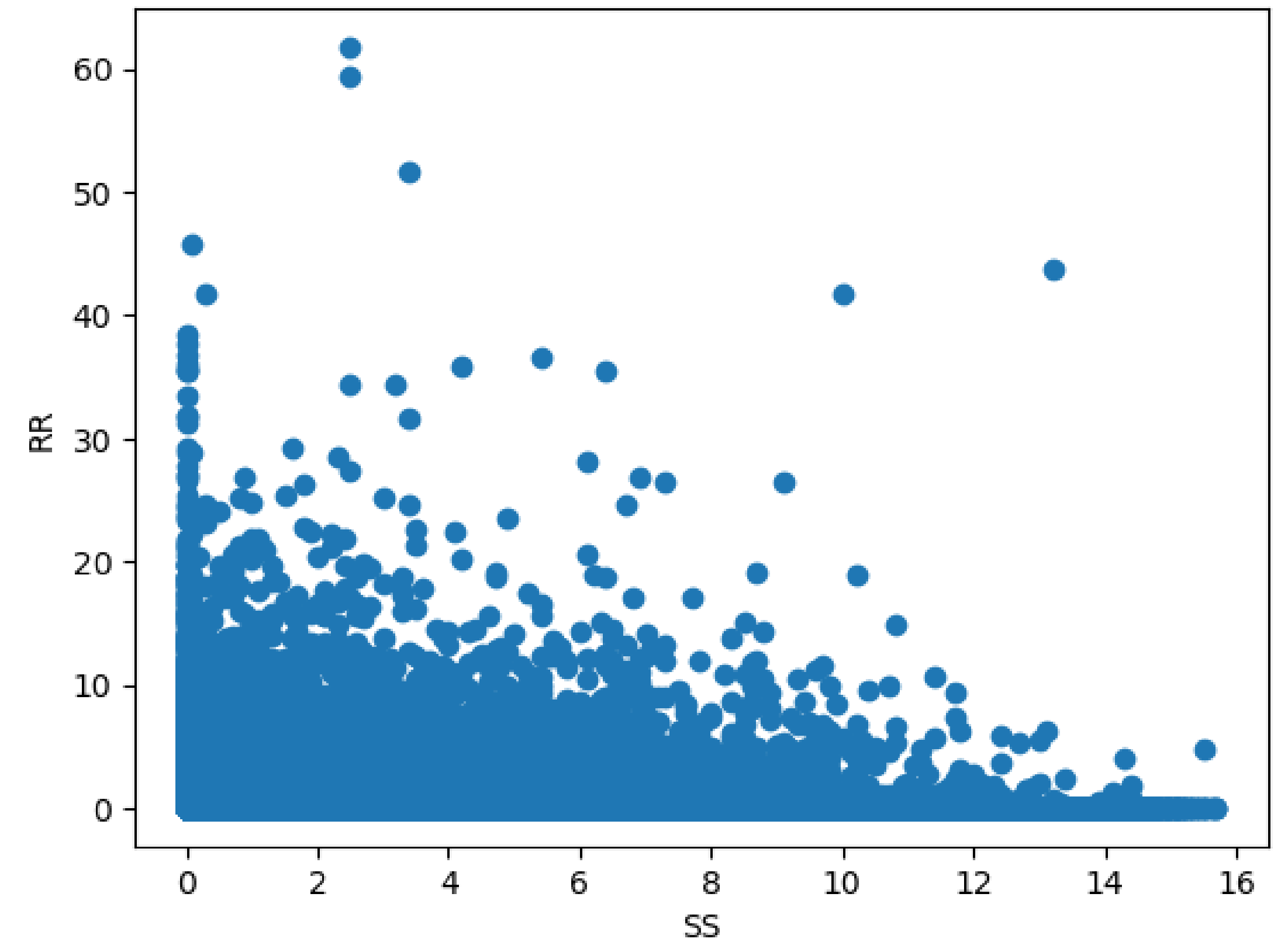
# Pair-Plot with Precipitation

EDA

Scatter plot of QQ vs RR



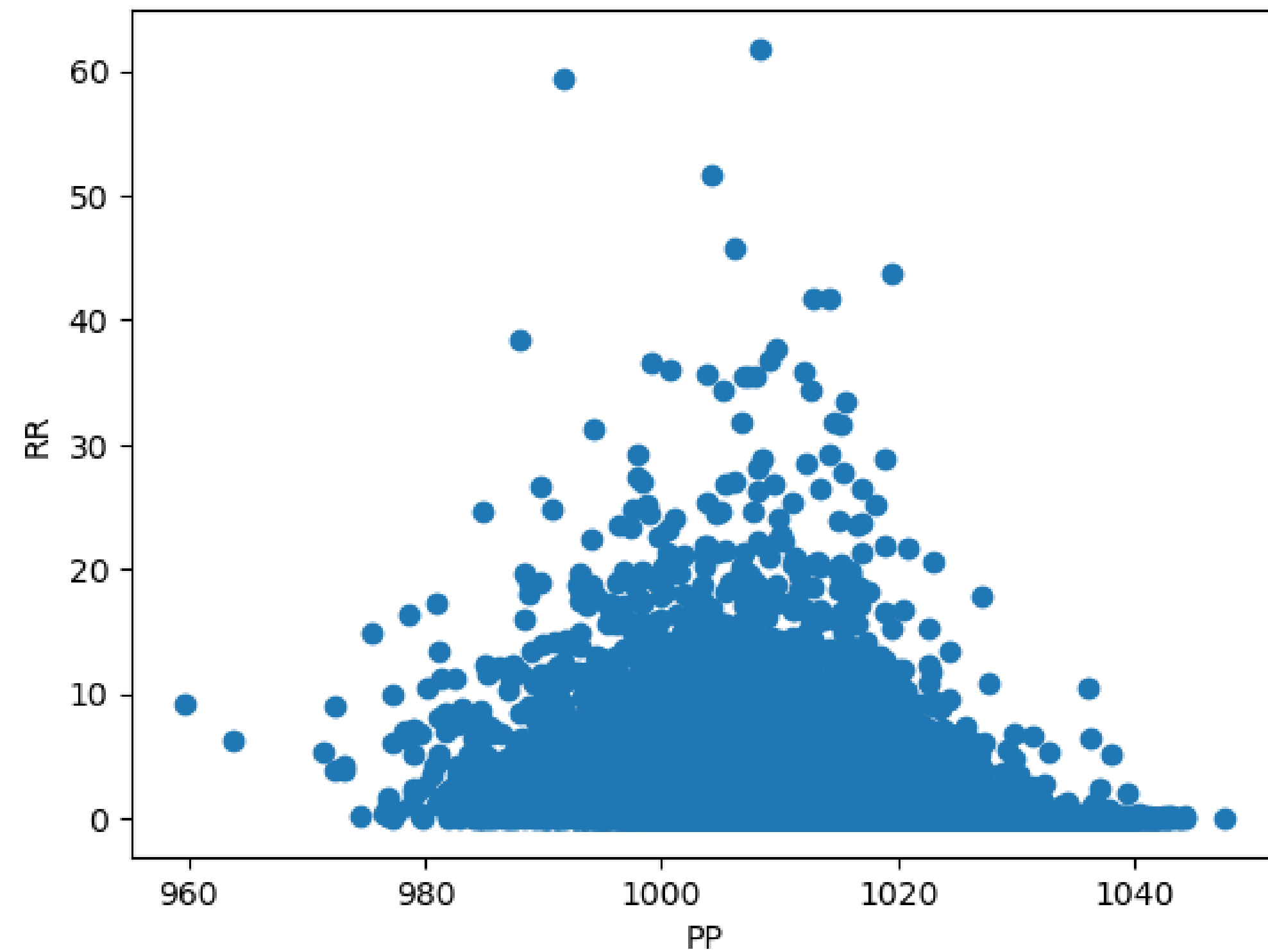
Scatter plot of SS vs RR



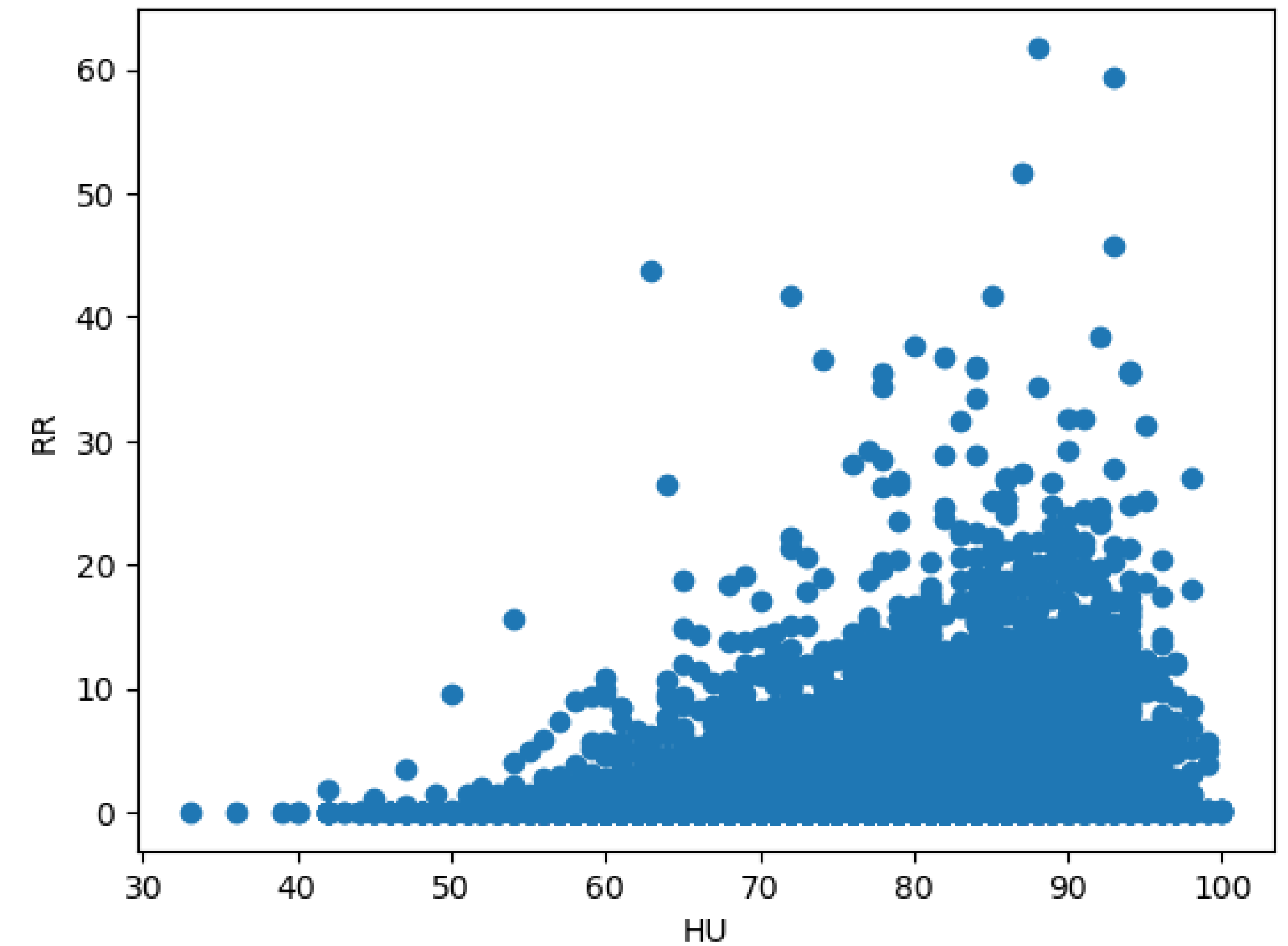
# Pair-Plot with Precipitation

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Scatter plot of PP vs RR



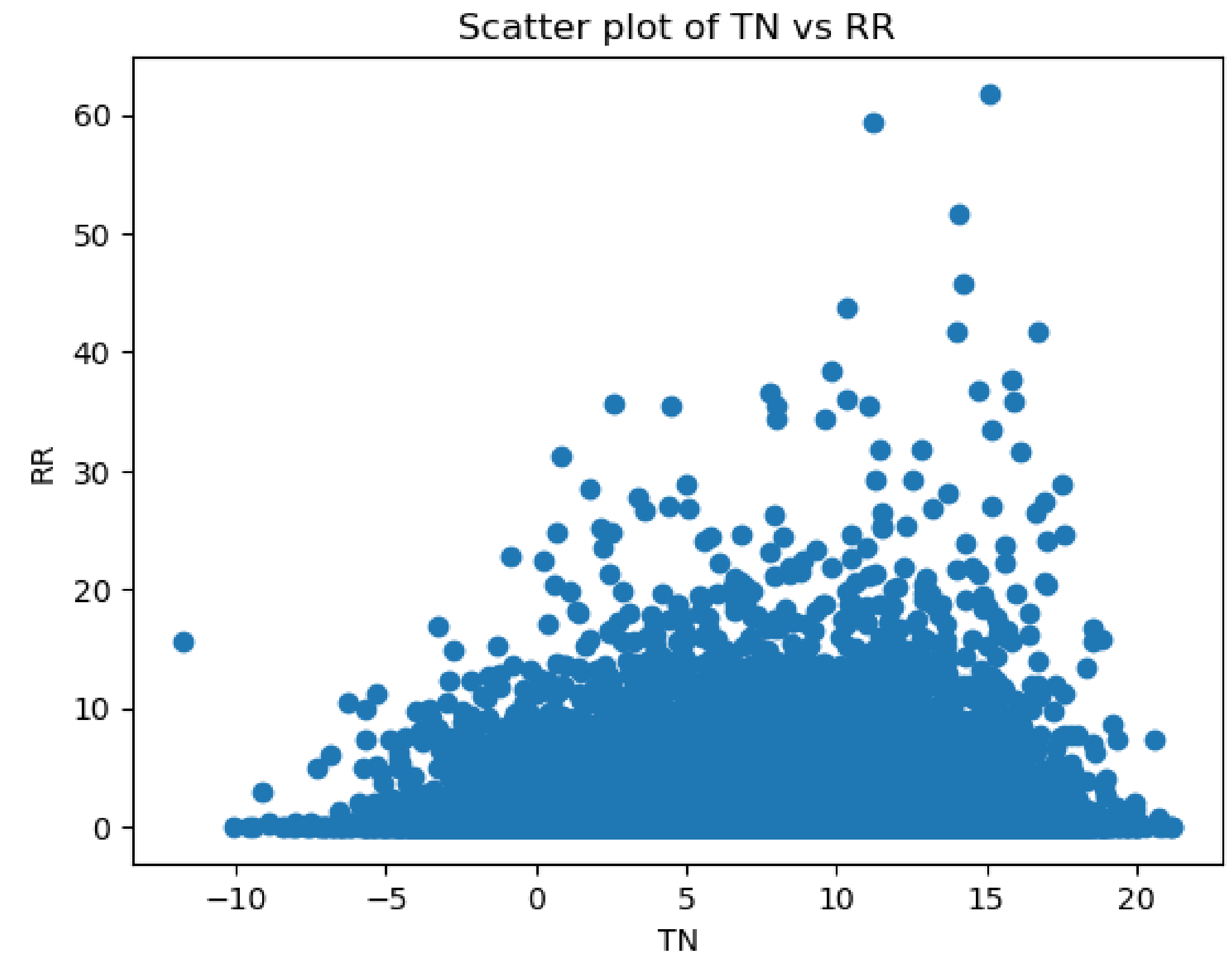
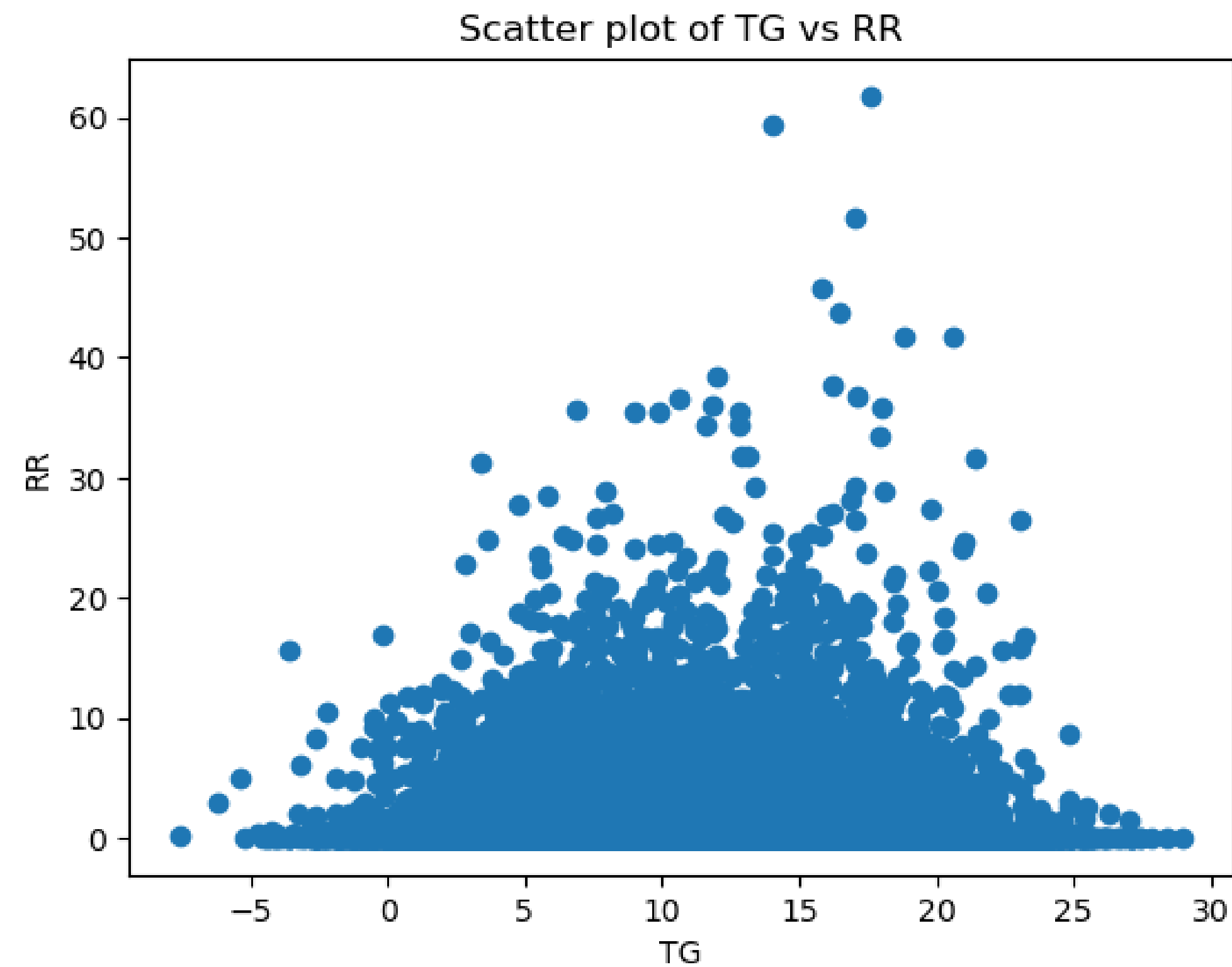
Scatter plot of HU vs RR





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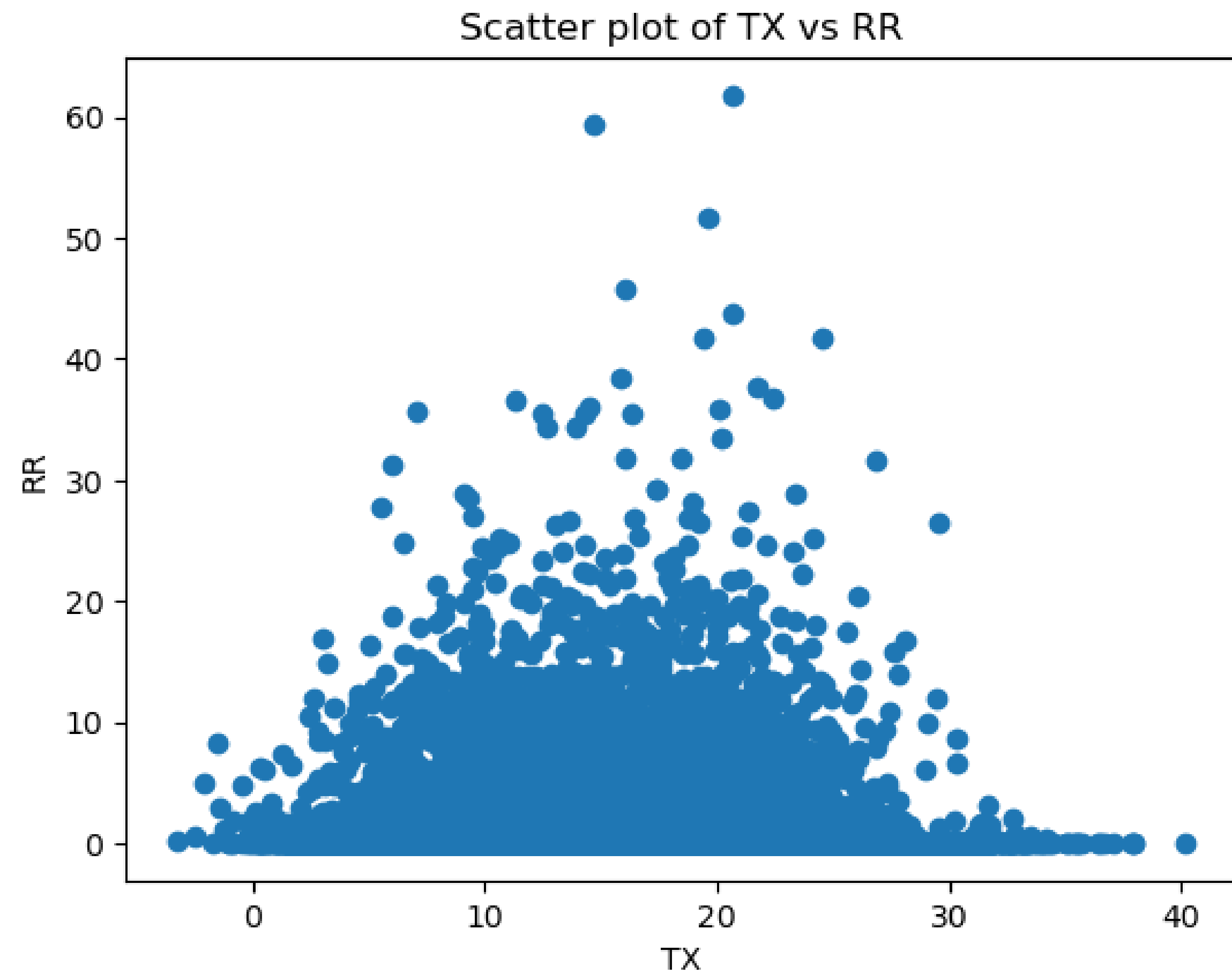
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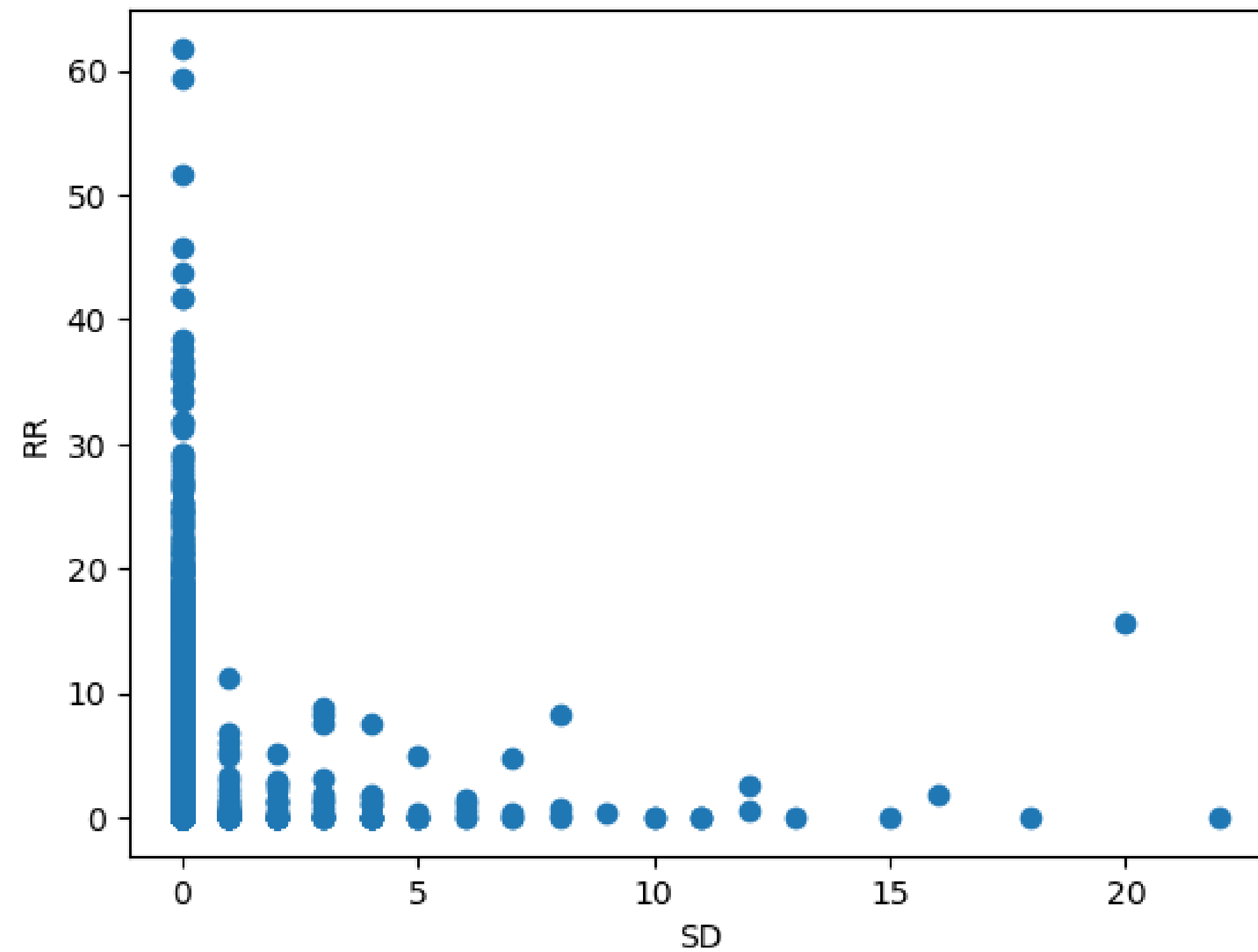
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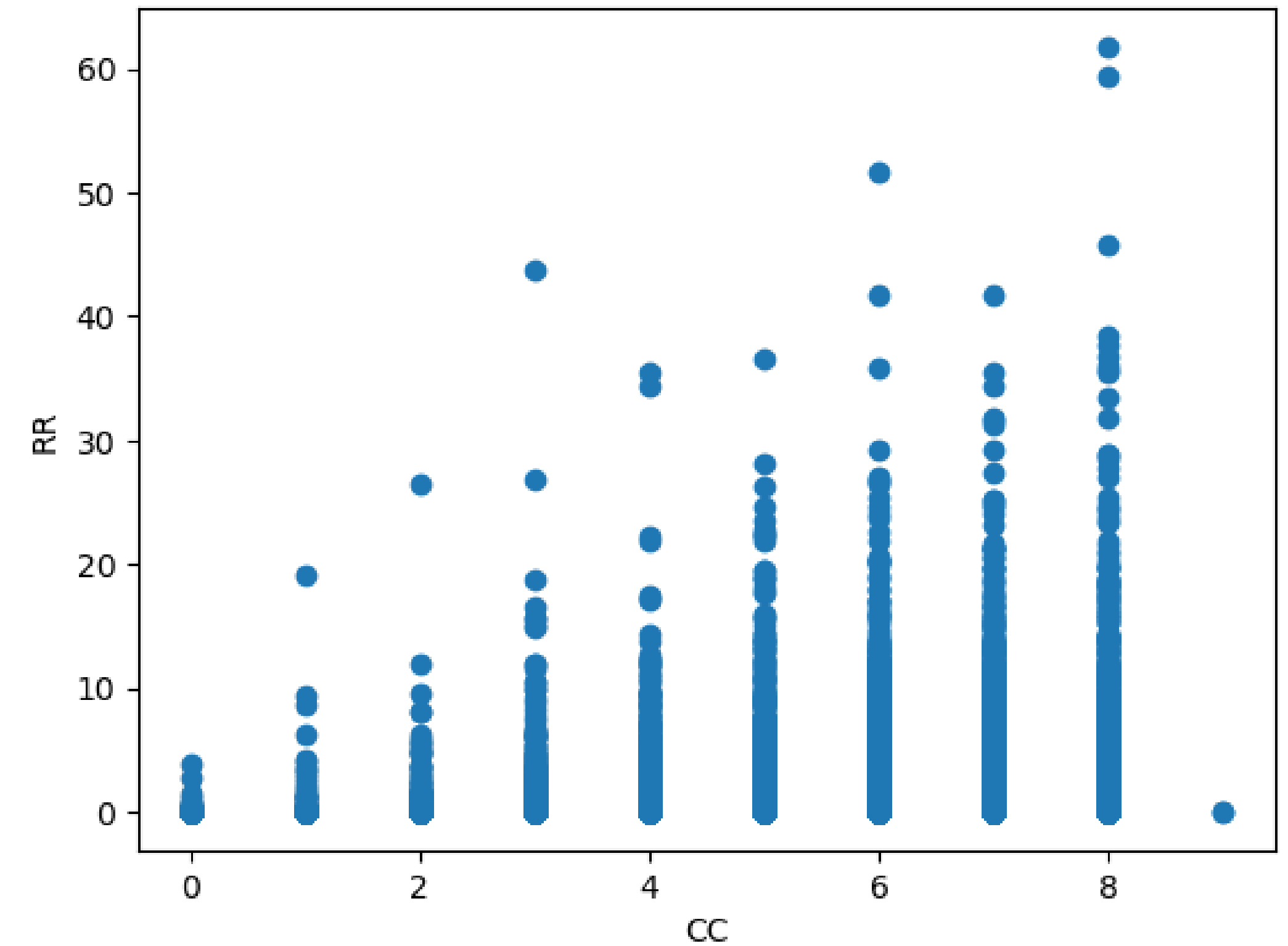
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Scatter plot of SD vs RR



Scatter plot of CC vs RR

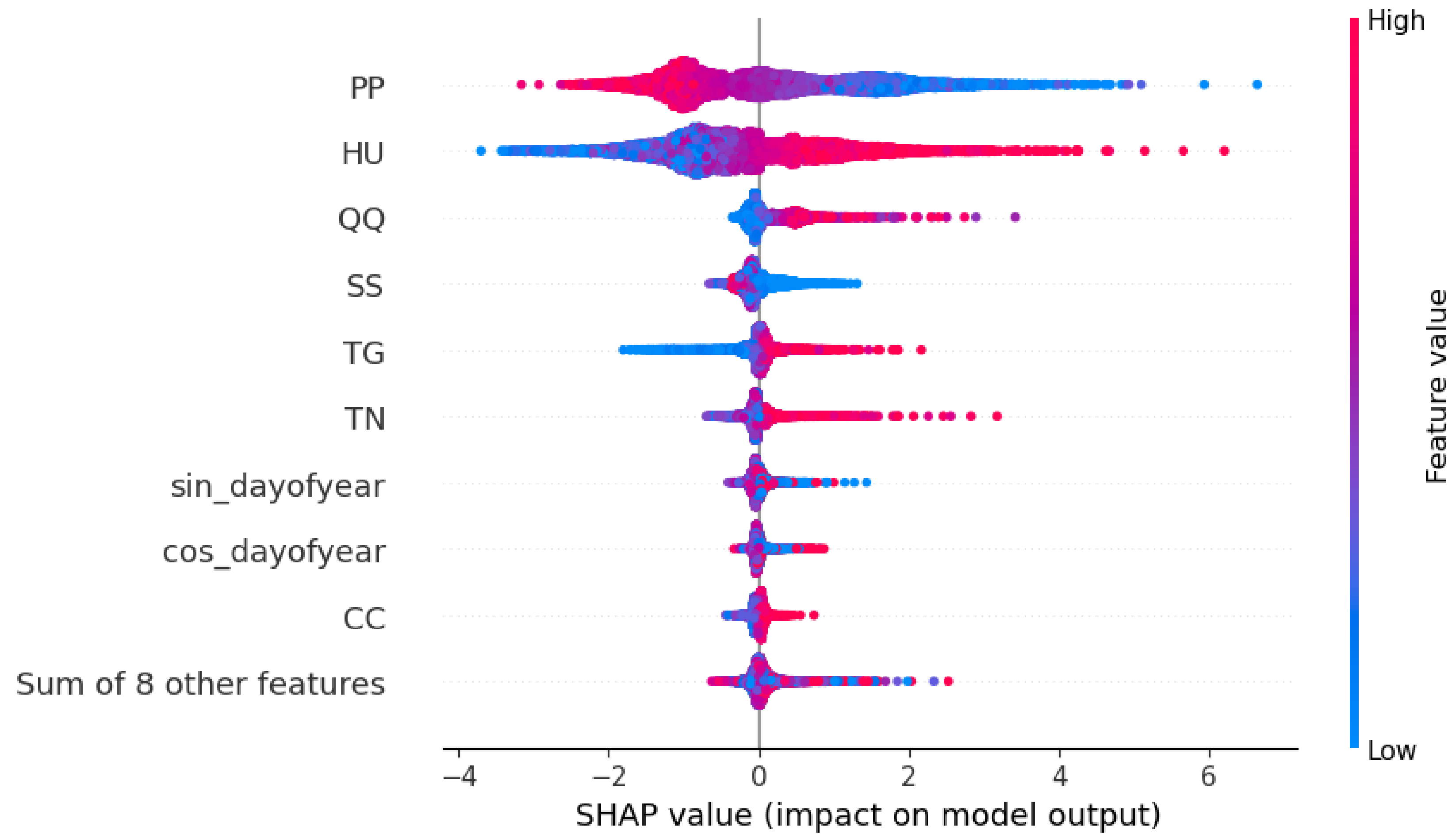


# LGBM

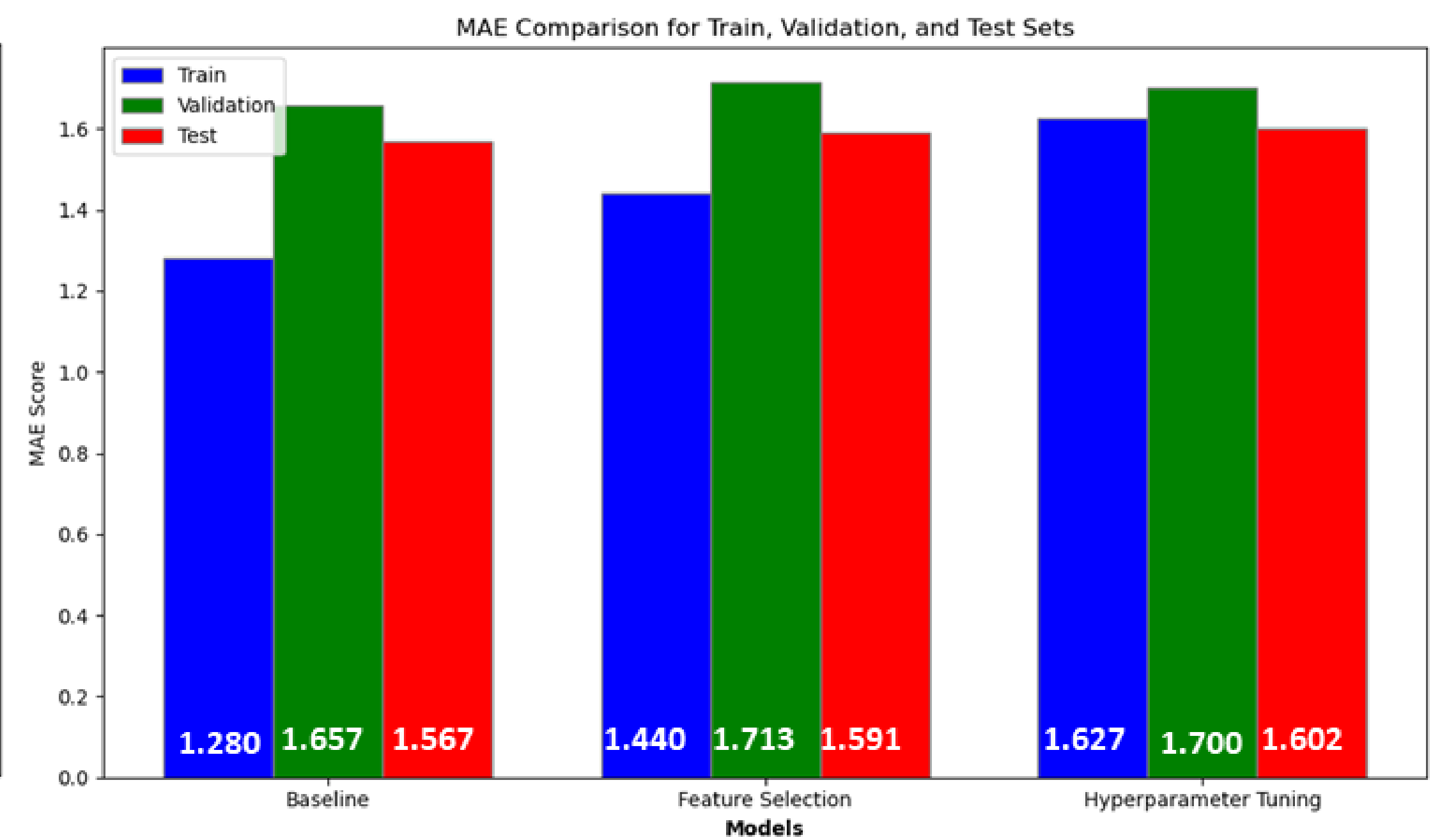
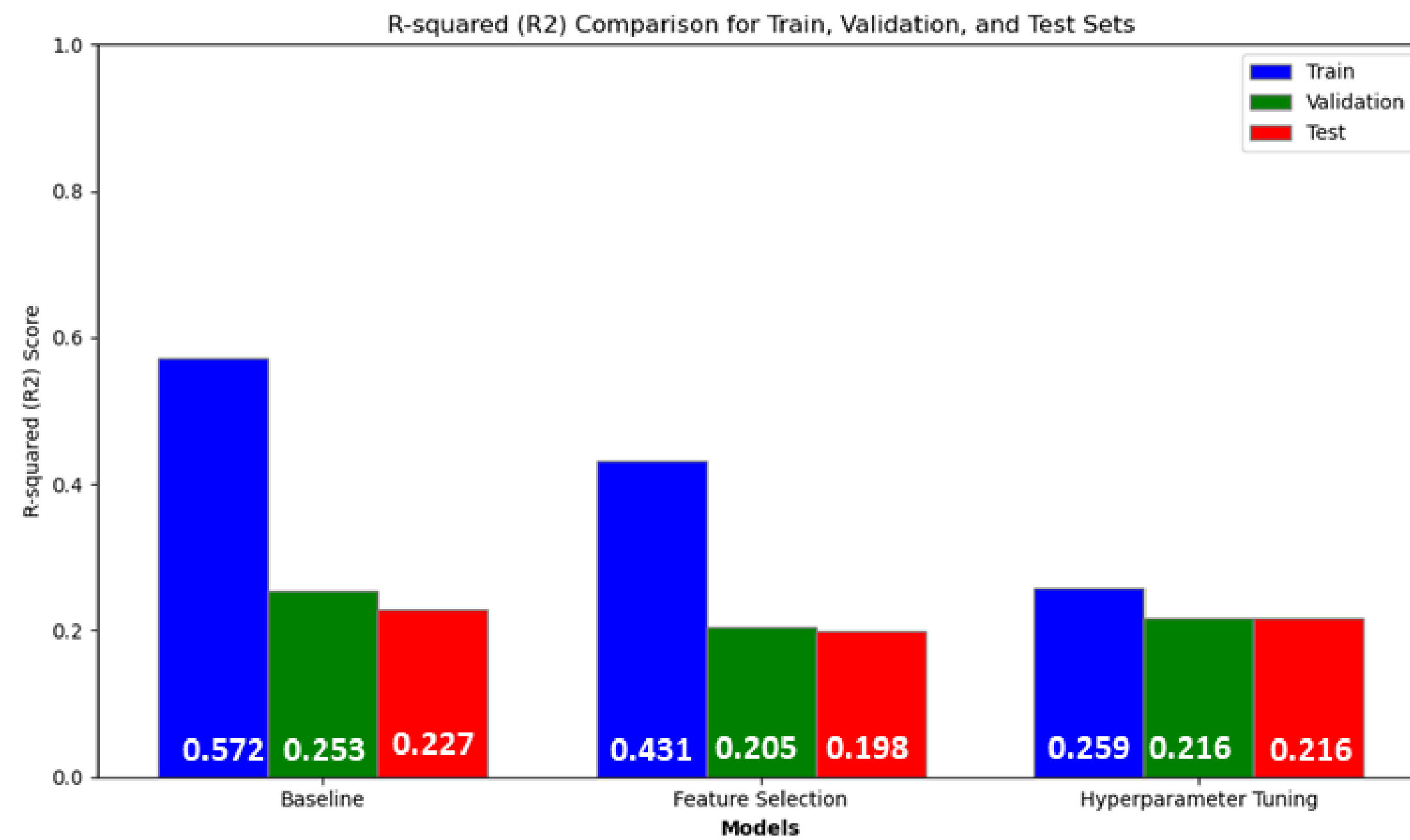
## MODELS

- Fast training speed and high efficiency
- Use of SHAP to determine top features
- Run model again feature selection and then with hyperparameters

# SHAP Feature Selection

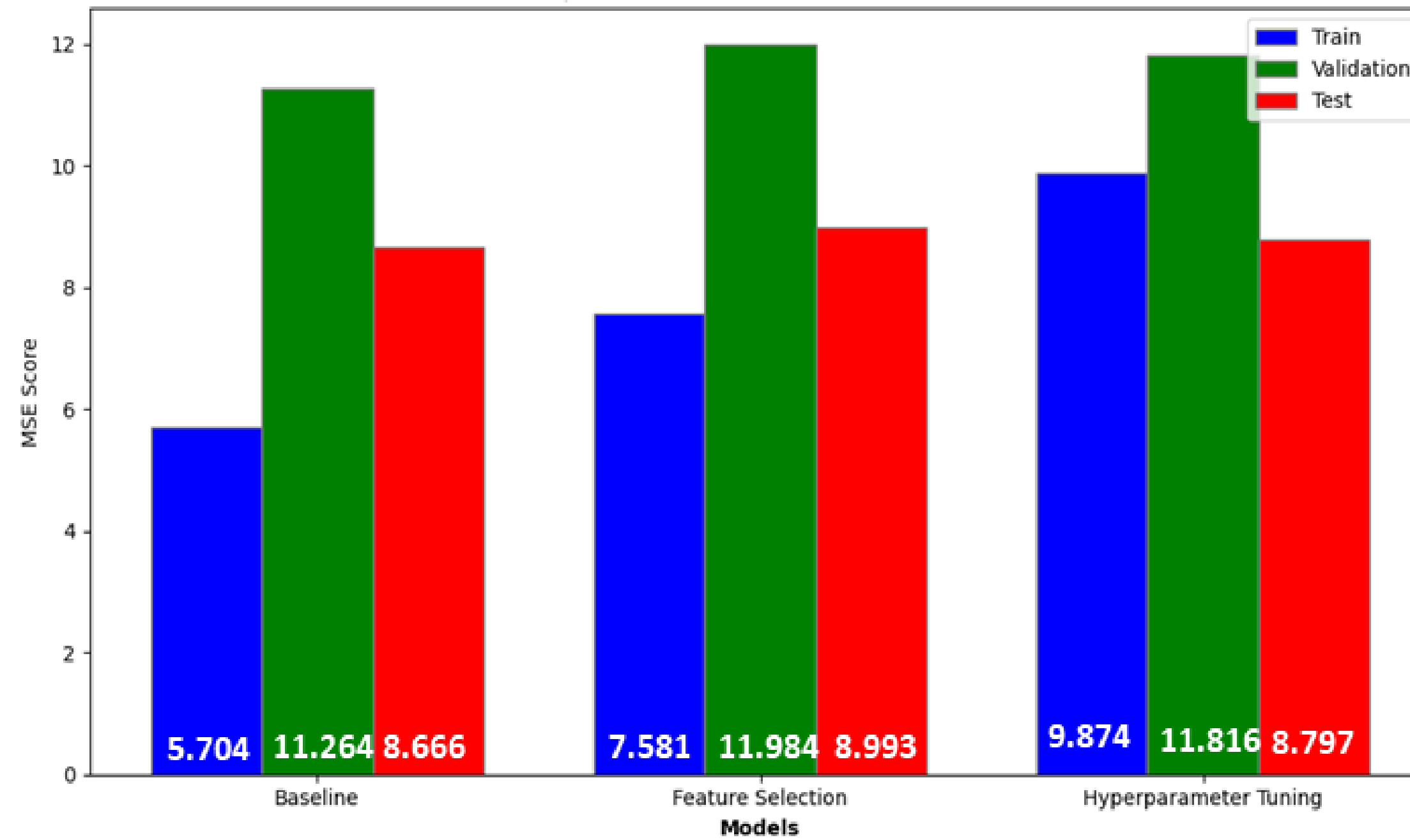


# Performance Metrics

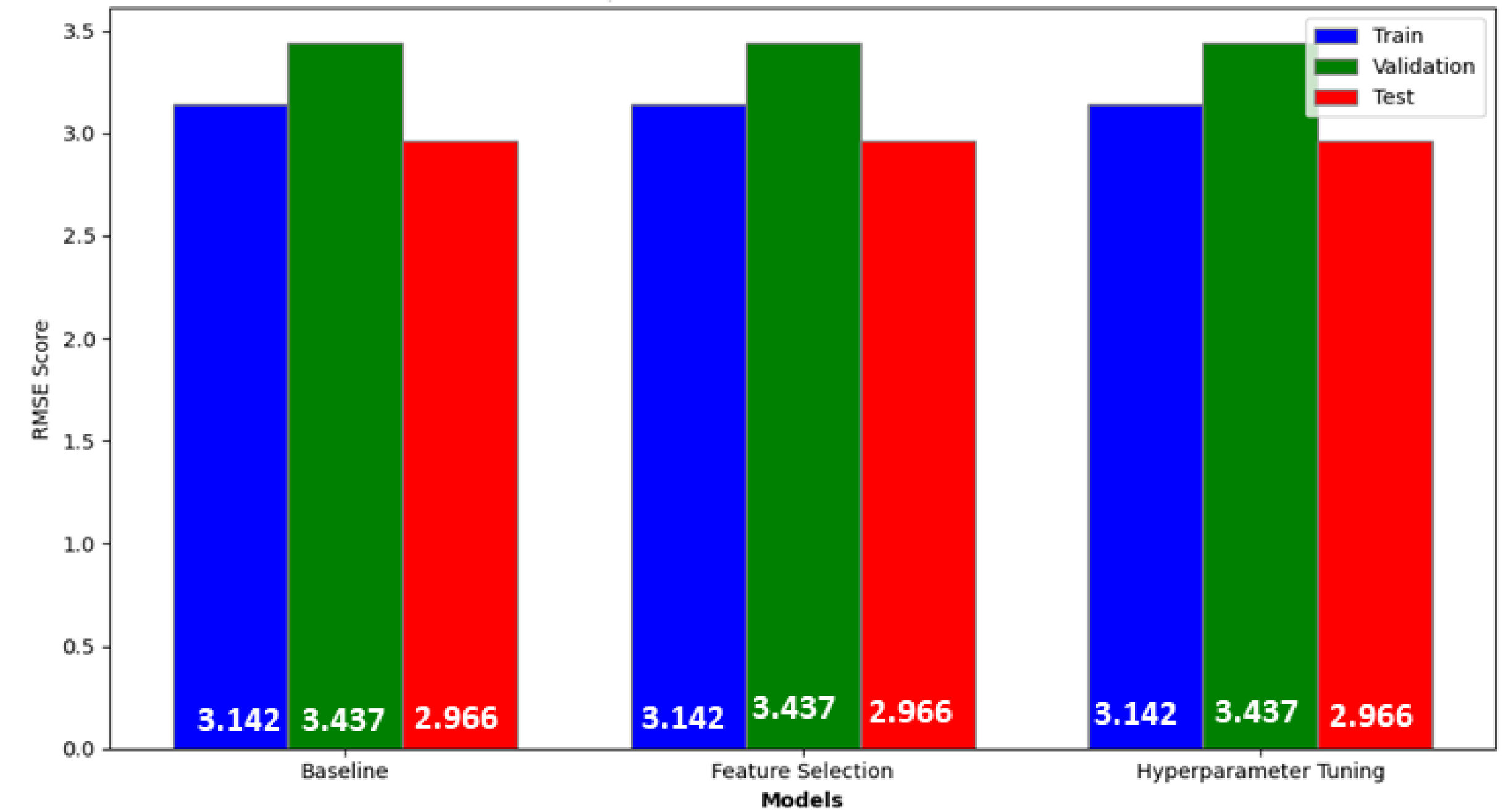


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MSE Comparison for Train, Validation, and Test Sets



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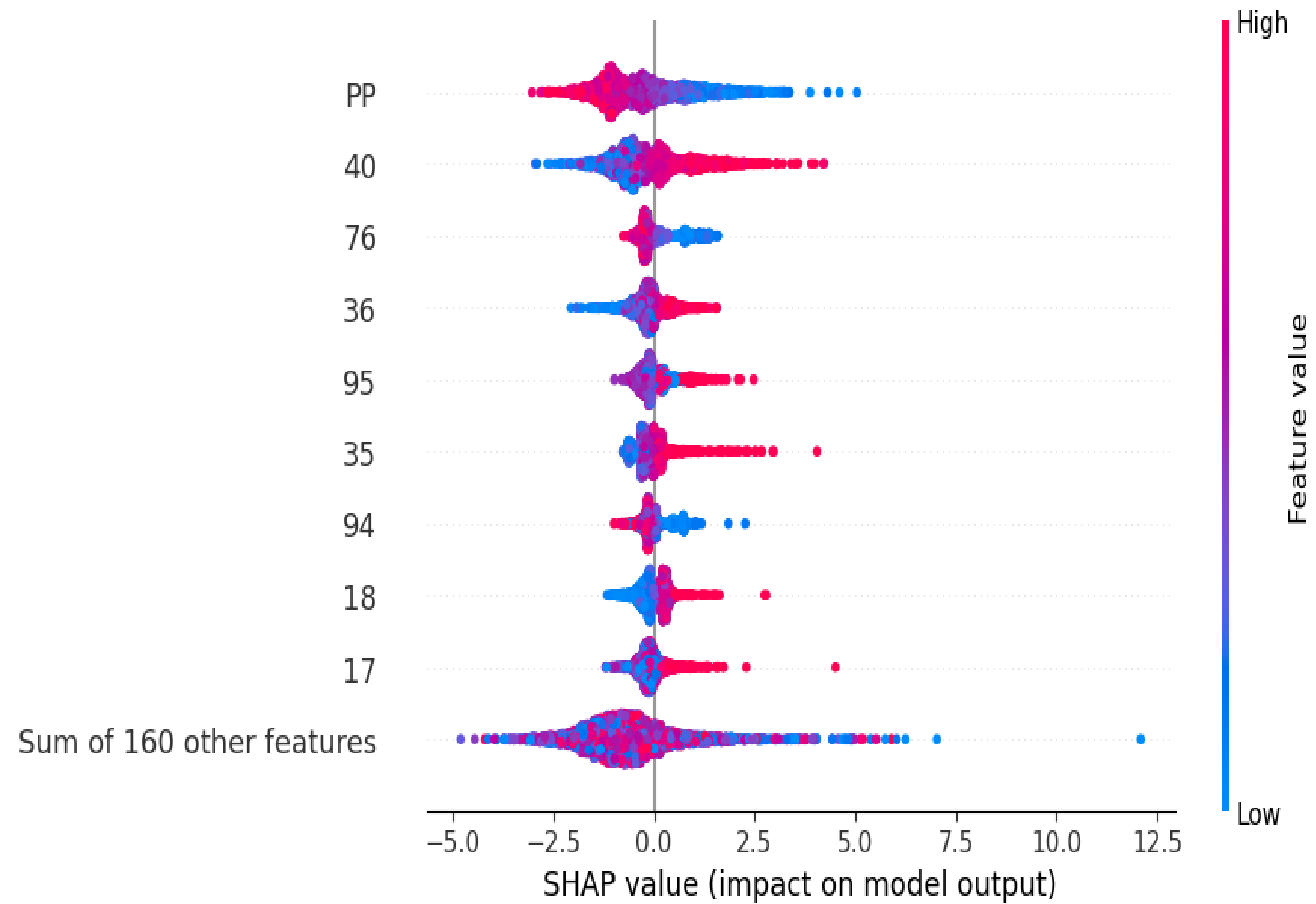
# XGBoost

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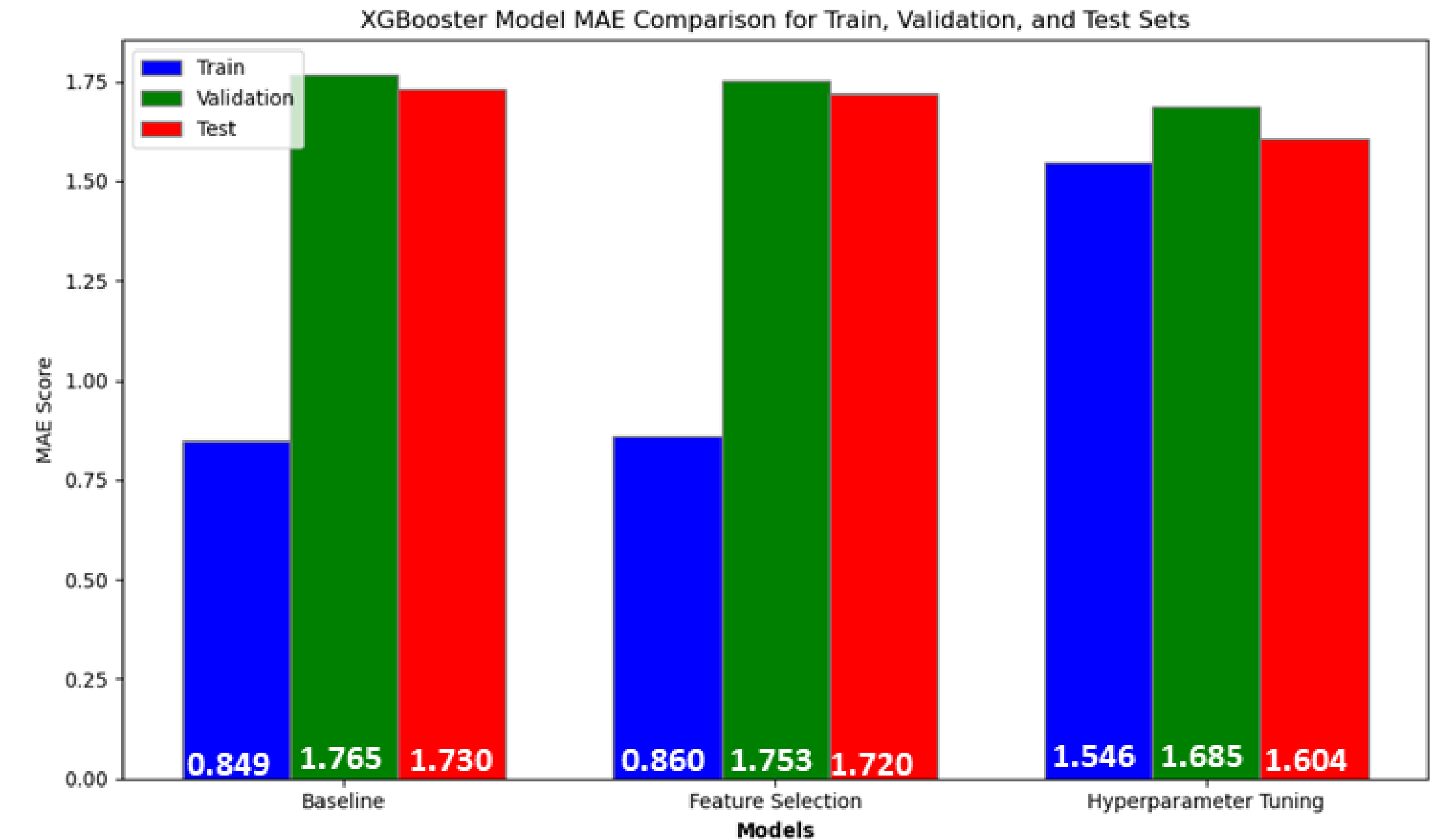
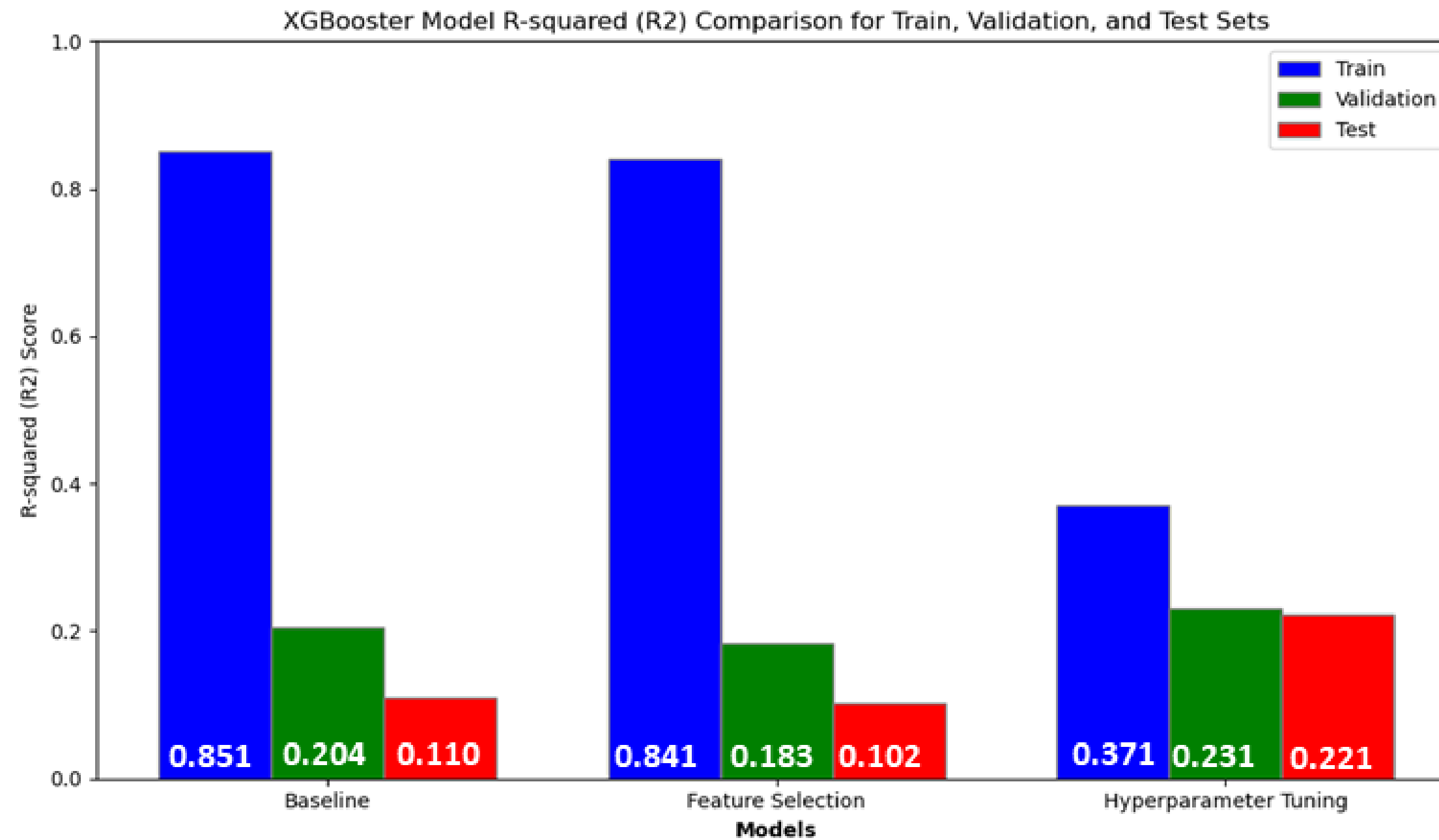
- Helpful for imbalanced data
- Possible better predictiveness
- Use Polynomial transformation to generate polynomial and interaction features then SHAP to determine top features
- Run model again feature selection and then with hyperparameters



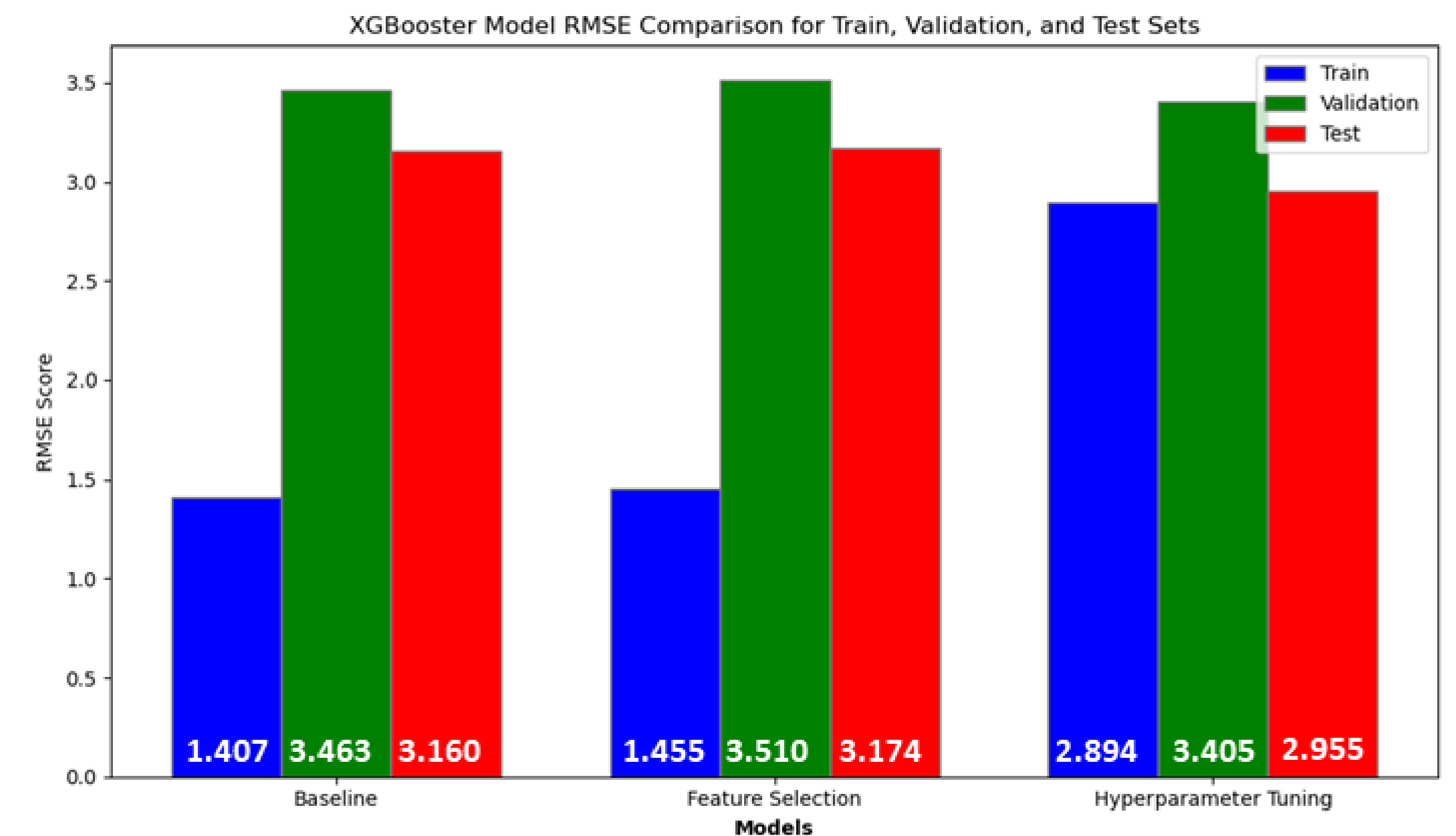
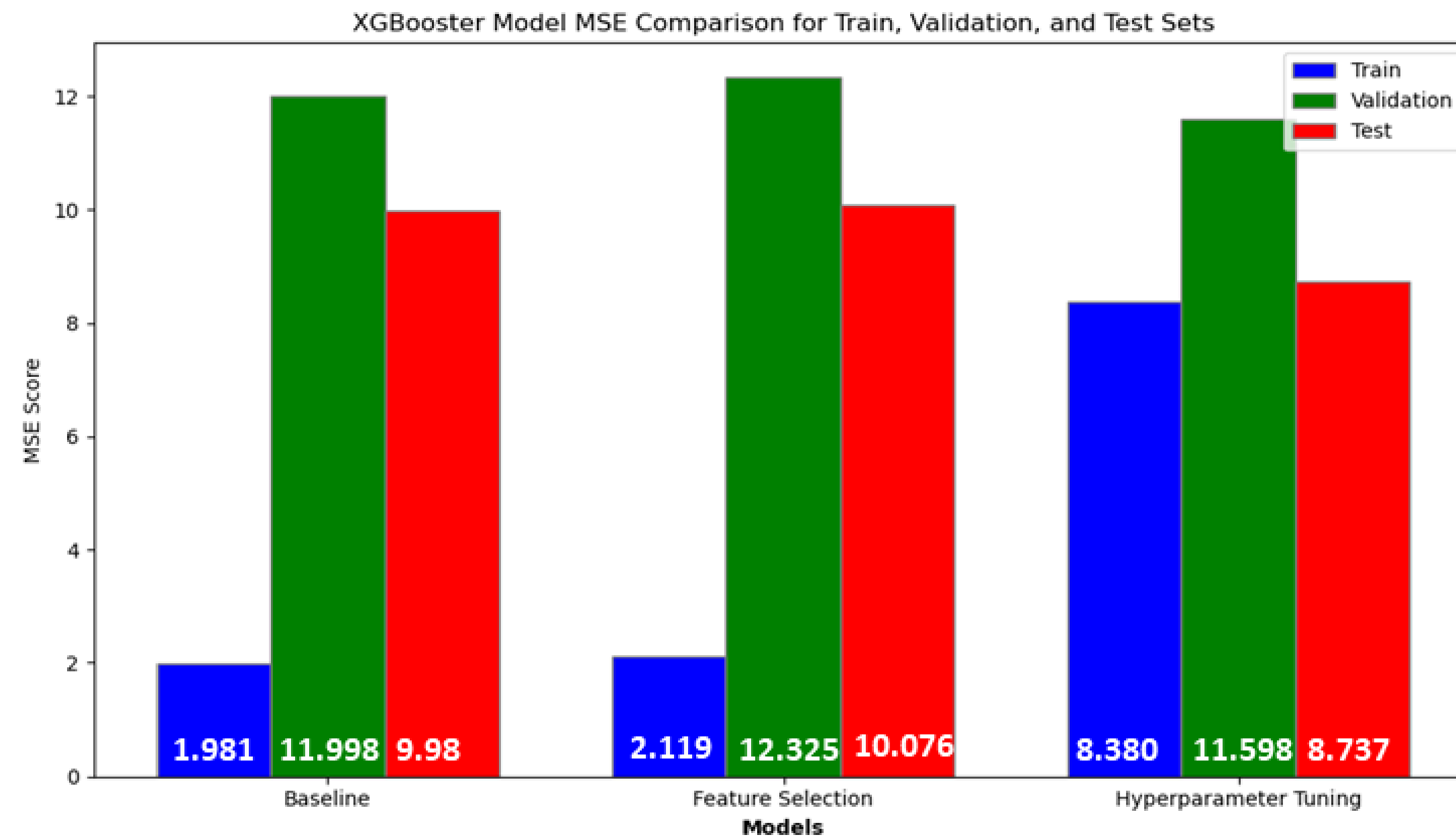
# SHAP Feature Selection



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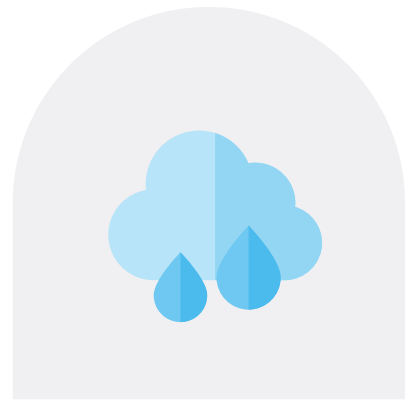
SELECT

# Comparisons between Models

Performance Metric (Test)	Tuned XGBooster Model	Tuned LGBM
R2	0.2240	0.2256
MAE	1.6187	1.5902
MSE	8.7101	8.6927
RMSE	2.9513	2.9483

# Comparisons between Models

- XGBooster likely needs to incorporate more of features
- Tuned LGBM better for real world usability
- Faster and more efficient
- Better for larger datasets



# CONCLUSIONS



# Conclusions

- Better models that incorporate more interacting features
- Precipitation highly variable therefore gather more information to use
- Missing features:

Prevailing winds, Topography (elevation), Pollution, Water bodies (distance from them eg: River Thames)

- Improve optimization and use forecast methods such as VARMA, DeepAR



# Credits Slide

Data was attained from European Climate Assessment & Dataset

## Reference

- <https://www.ecad.eu/dailydata/index.php>