

UBER RIDE DATA ANALYSIS – DOCUMENTATION

● Project Objective

To analyze Uber ride data using Python and Power BI for identifying trends in ride usage, trip purposes, distance, duration, and time-based patterns. The final goal is to produce a well-structured interactive dashboard and derive actionable business insights.

PROJECT COMPONENTS

■ uber.ipynb – Python notebook for:

- ◆ Data loading
 - ◆ Cleaning and preprocessing
 - ◆ Feature extraction
 - ◆ Exporting cleaned data

 - ❖ UberDataset.csv – Original raw data source.
 - ❖ UberDataset_Cleaned.csv – Cleaned dataset used in Power BI.
 - ❖ Dashboard.png – Screenshot of the Power BI dashboard summarizing the analysis.
 - ❖ Uber_Trips.pbix (*optional*) – Power BI project file (dashboard).
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TOOLS & TECHNOLOGIES USED

- **Python Libraries:** pandas, numpy, seaborn, matplotlib
- **Power BI:** Data visualization and interactivity
- **DAX:** Calculated columns and custom measures for dynamic visuals
- **Jupyter Notebook:** For exploratory data analysis and data engineering

DATA CLEANING & FEATURE ENGINEERING STEPS

✓ Load Data:

Used pandas to read UberDataset.csv.

✓ Missing Value Treatment:

Filled PURPOSE nulls using `.fillna(method='ffill')`.

✓ Date/Time Conversion:

Parsed START_DATE and END_DATE to datetime format.

✓ Extracted Time Features

year, month, day, hour, minute

day_name (e.g., Monday, Tuesday)

day_time_slot based on hour (Morning, Afternoon, etc.)

✓ Duration Calculation:

Calculated trip duration in minutes using time difference.

✓ Dataset Cleaning:

Removed unnecessary columns and saved to new file.

DASHBOARD DESIGN (POWER BI)

✧ Filters:

i. Month, Year, Category, Purpose, Day Time Slot

✧ Visuals:

Card KPIs:

- a. Total Trips
- b. Average Duration (min)
- c. Average Speed (mph)
- d. Total Miles Travelled

✧ **Line/Bar Charts:**

- a) Trips per Month (Chronologically sorted: Jan–Dec)
- b) Total Miles per Month

A. Pie Chart:

Category: Business vs. Personal (96% Business)

B. Bar Chart – Purpose per Category:

Meeting, Meal/Entertainment, Errands, etc.

C. Bar Chart – Trips by Day Time:

Most trips during Afternoon

D. Trips by Day of Week:

Trends across weekdays

KEY FINDINGS

- **96%** of rides were categorized as **Business**.
- **November** had the highest number of rides.
- **Afternoon** was the peak time of day for trips.
- **Meeting** and **Meal/Entertainment** were the most common purposes.
- Personal rides were very few compared to business-related trips.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Optimize Driver Allocation** during peak hours (Afternoon).
- **Promote Personal Usage** via marketing (since it's only 4%).
- **Seasonal Campaigns** in high-travel months like November.
- **Analyze Long-Duration Trips** for better pricing or routing.
- **Focus on Business Use Cases** and client partnerships.
- **Build Loyalty Programs** based on ride purpose and category.