

# Intro

## Project intro:

- **Client:** One of major truck manufactories in the world.
- **Data:** Millions data points collected from software installed in trucks every day.
- **Problem statement from client:**  
How might we identify and prioritize specific data area to help decisions making in the short to medium term.
- **Project expectation:**  
To identify potential core data areas that need to be addressed in order for client to make best choices in moving forward to the vision 2030.
- **Audience:**  
client's data scientist and connection/solution team
- **Period:** March 15 – April 29, 2021
- **Project Organizer:** Mari Haraldsson (PM in Hyper Island)

## The way I took to approach this project:

1. Quick checked all the datasets I had received.
2. Self study across all the channels to gain domain knowledge.
3. Picked the area I wanted to explore more.

I chose to focus on Fuel efficiency for this project, and planned to use machine learning methods to predict miles per gallon(MPG)

Please find my study in following slides.

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# Miles Per Gallon What matters?

*Applying machine learning for fuel efficiency  
in fleet business*

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# Data and Challenges



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**2270** trucks basic data

**13 M** entries for truck location

**27 K** entries for trucks status

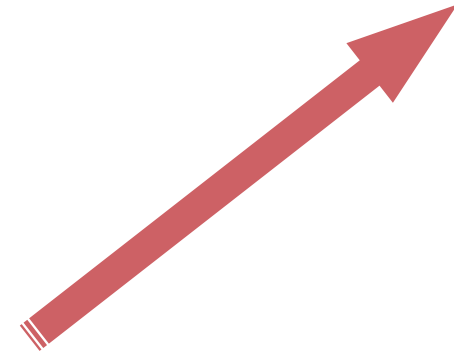
**13 M** entries for truck fault moments



  
**Large  
dataset**

  
**Domain  
Knowledge**

  
**Data wrangling  
Machine learning**



# The business issues in fleet business

- **Cost control**
  - Fuel
  - Maintenance
- **Safety and Efficiency**
  - Skilled driving.
  - Fuel
  - Uptime

*Buy right, repair right, replace right and drive right*

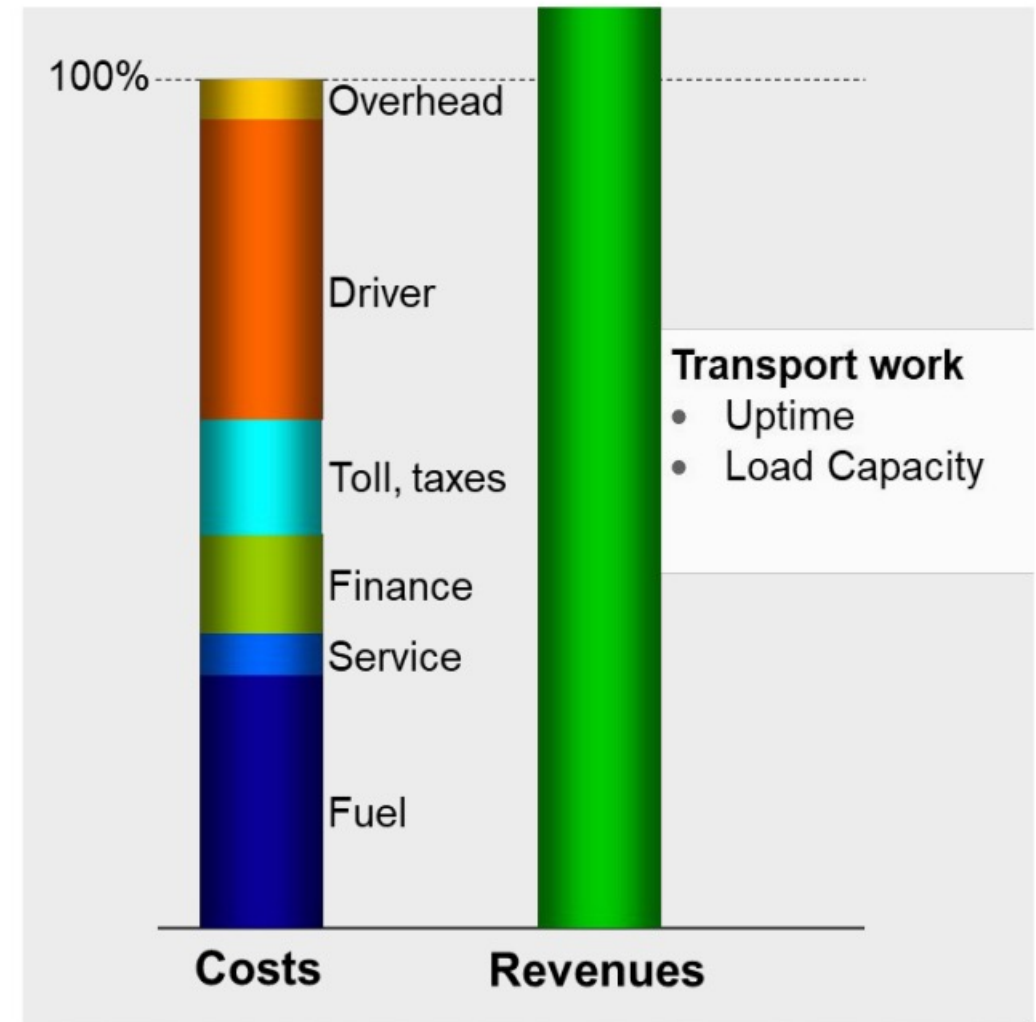


Chart from the client

# Questions to answer



*How can data help us to improve fuel efficiency?*

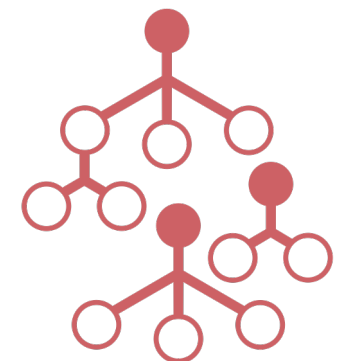
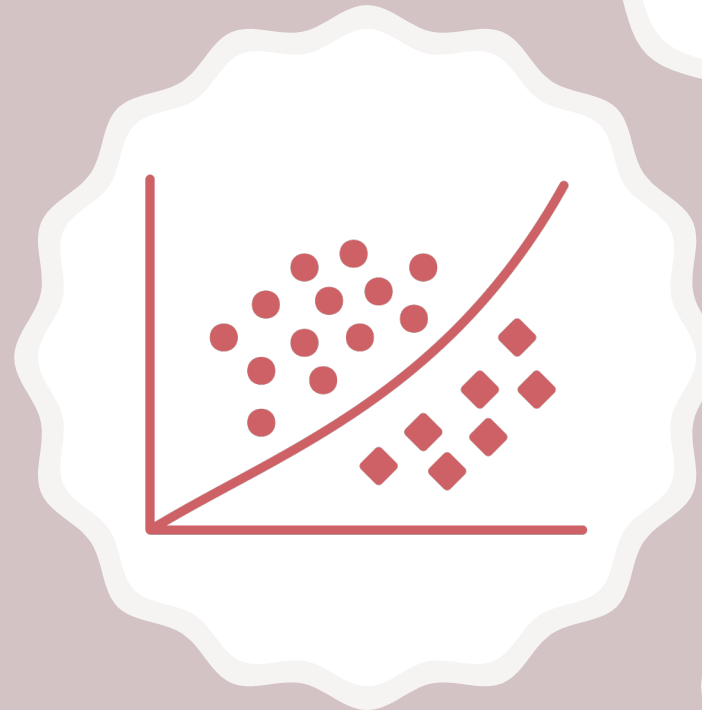
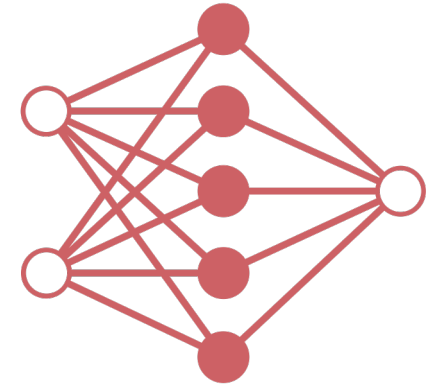


*Which machine learning method is better to predict fuel consumption?*

# Key Methods to Use

## Three type of prediction Machine Learning models

- Support Vector Regression (SVR)
- Random Forest Regression
- Gradient Boosting Regression



# Process to take



# Choose Data



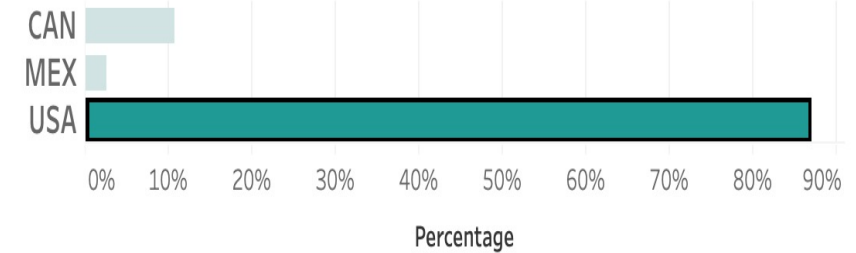
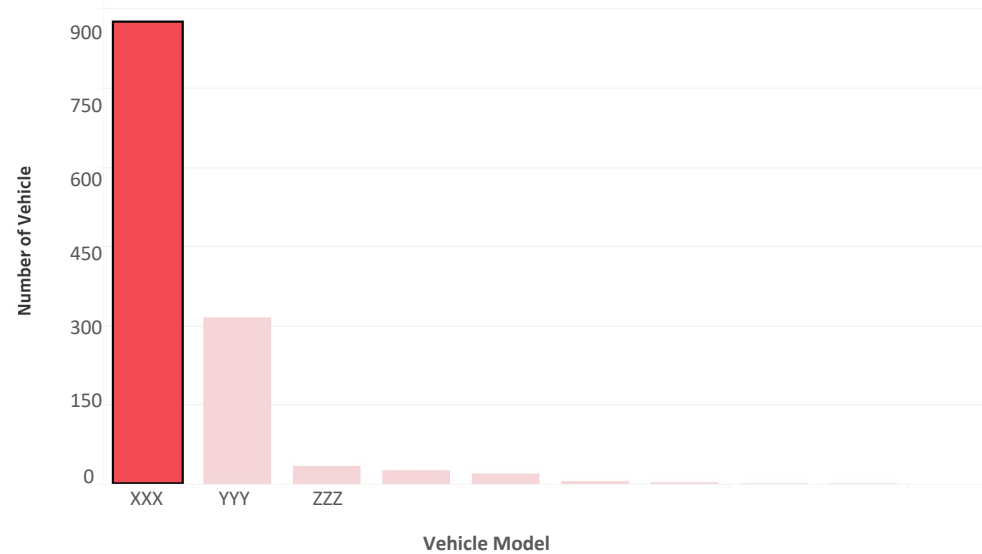
VEHICLE\_SPEC  
VEHICLE\_DETAIL  
VEHICLE\_LOCATION



Truck Model:  
XXX

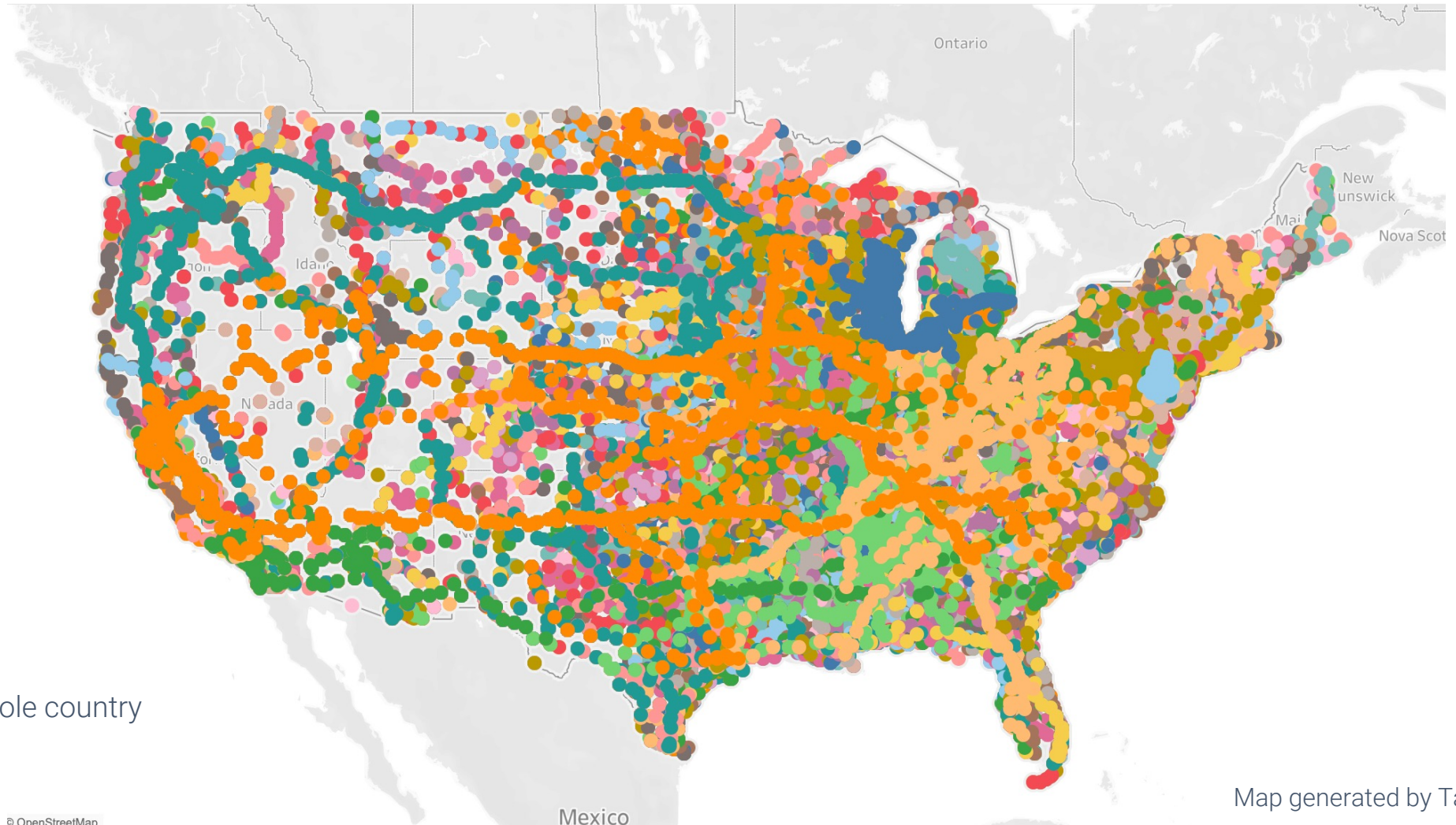


Operation  
country:  
USA





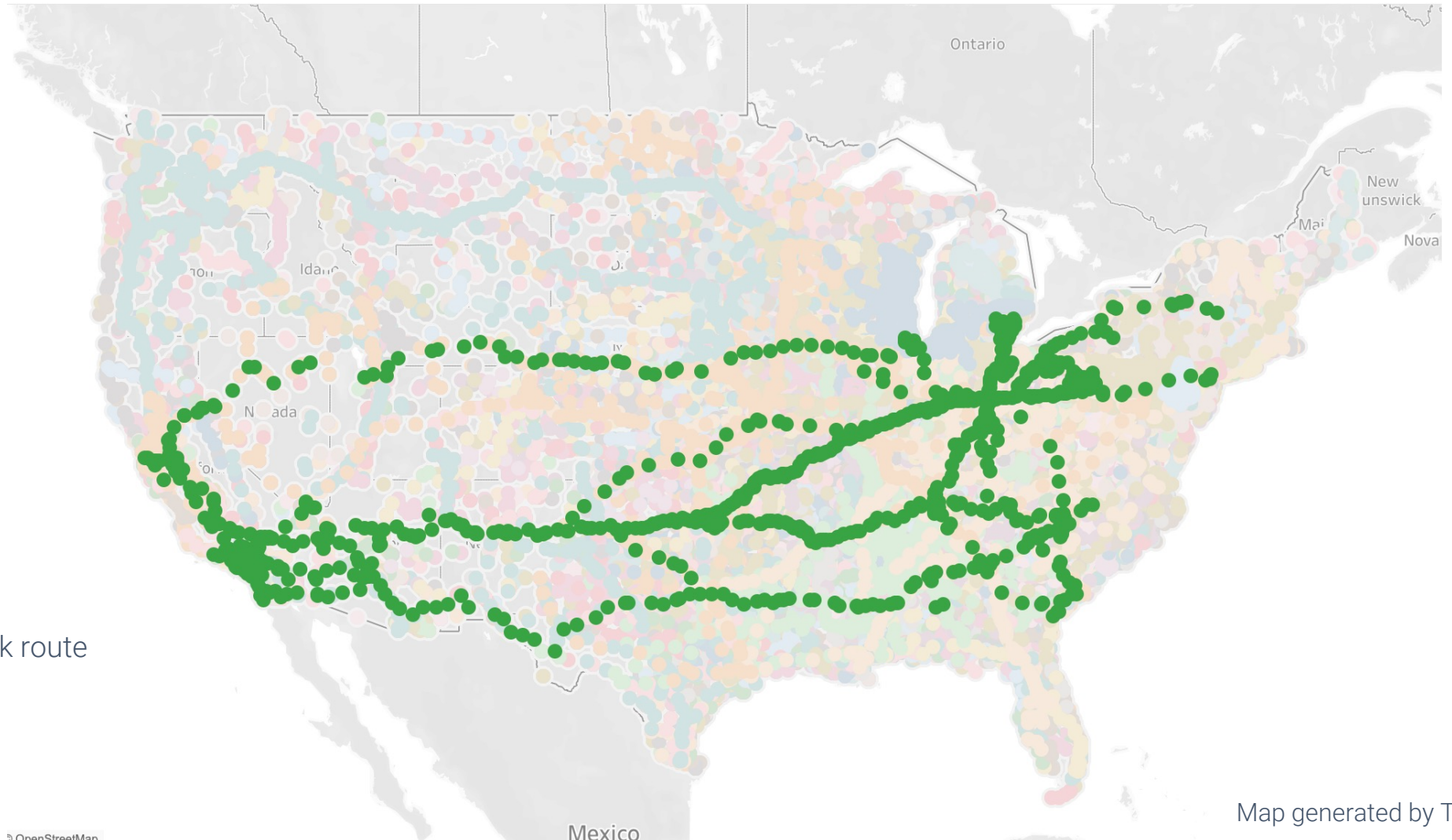
# Truck Model -XXX in USA



- Total 911 trucks
- Long-haul trucking
- Running across whole country

Map generated by Tableau

# One truck of model XXX



- Example: One truck route

# Final dataset

This is what we  
want to predict

```
RangeIndex: 150951 entries, 0 to 150950
Data columns (total 27 columns):
#   Column
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0   SLOPE
1   MPG
2   MILES_PER_HOUR
3   AVG_SPEED_PER_HOUR
4   AVG_HEADING
5   AVG_ENGINE_SPEED_PER_HOUR
6   AVG_SPEED_ACCELERATION
7   FUEL_CONSUMING_PER_HOUR
8   IDLE_PER_HOUR
9   AVG_ENGINE_HOUR
10  AVG_BATTERY_LEVEL
11  AVG_GROSS_WEIGHT
12  AVG_ENGINE_TORQUE_LOAD
13  TOP_GEAR_PER_HOUR
14  TOP_GEAR_FUEL_PER_HOUR
15  CRUISE_TIME_PER_HOUR
16  HARD_BRAKING_PER_HOUR
17  IDLE_FUEL_PER_HOUR
18  VEHICLE_MODEL_YEAR_2018
19  VEHICLE_MODEL_YEAR_2019
20  VEHICLE_MODEL_YEAR_2020
21  VEHICLE_MODEL_YEAR_2021
22  ENGINE_TYPE_US17
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24  ENGINE_TYPE_US19
25  ENGINE_TYPE_US20
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Choose Variables,

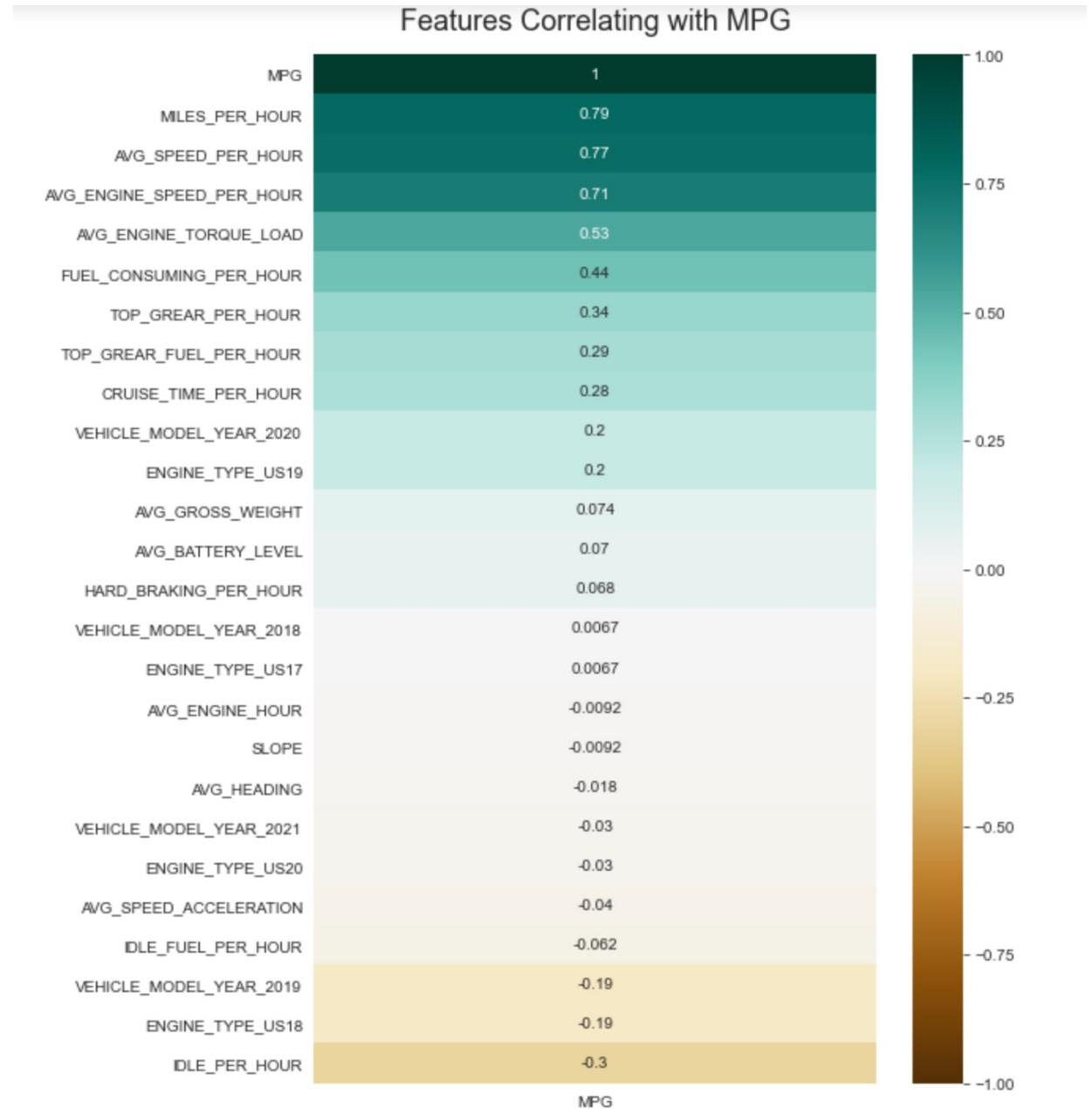
Cleaning, reshape, calculate to  
unit per hour,

Join tables, scale, transform, and  
encoding categorical variables,

Split to train and test set (70/30)

# Correlations to MPG

Miles:	0.79
Vehicle speed:	0.77
Engine speed:	0.71
Engine Torque load:	0.53
Top gear:	0.34
Idle time:	-0.30
Cruise time:	0.28



Plot generated from Python





## Result of model: Random Forest Regression is more efficient and effective

Prediction methods	Root-mean-square-error	Mean absolute Error	Time
Support Vector Regression	0.768	0.584	long
Random Forest Regression ★	0.181	0.033	short
Gradient Boosting Regression	0.510	0.260	short

Note:

1. Avg MPG(miles per gallon) in test-set: 4.049 mile per gallon.
2. No Gridsearch/cross validation applied yet due to dataset size and project time limitation.
3. Weather influence was not included in this study.



# Summary and Suggestion

## ➤ Summary from this study

1. Three regression models to predict miles per gallon.  
Random Forest Regression  
performed better than other two
2. Engine features and driving behavior strongly associate to fuel efficiency.

## ➤ Suggestions for further study:

1. Extra data collection:
  - Weather Data (temperature, wind, humidity, rain/snow, air pressure)
  - Engine data (Rev, horsepower, size..)
2. K-means clustering to look for patterns in data for future business decision related to MPG.



# *Thank you!*

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