

Uber Case Study

Trip Analysis

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- **Aim of analysis:**
 - To identify the root cause of the problem (no cars available and trip cancellations)
 - Recommend ways to improve the situation.

- **Expected Result:**
 - The root cause and possible hypotheses of the problem(s)
 - Recommend ways to improve them.

Step 1

Plots for Trip Frequency

Plots for each Status type

- Calculate Total Demand
- Calculate Total Supply
- Evaluate Gap

Step 2

Analyse the Problem by
City, status, and time slots

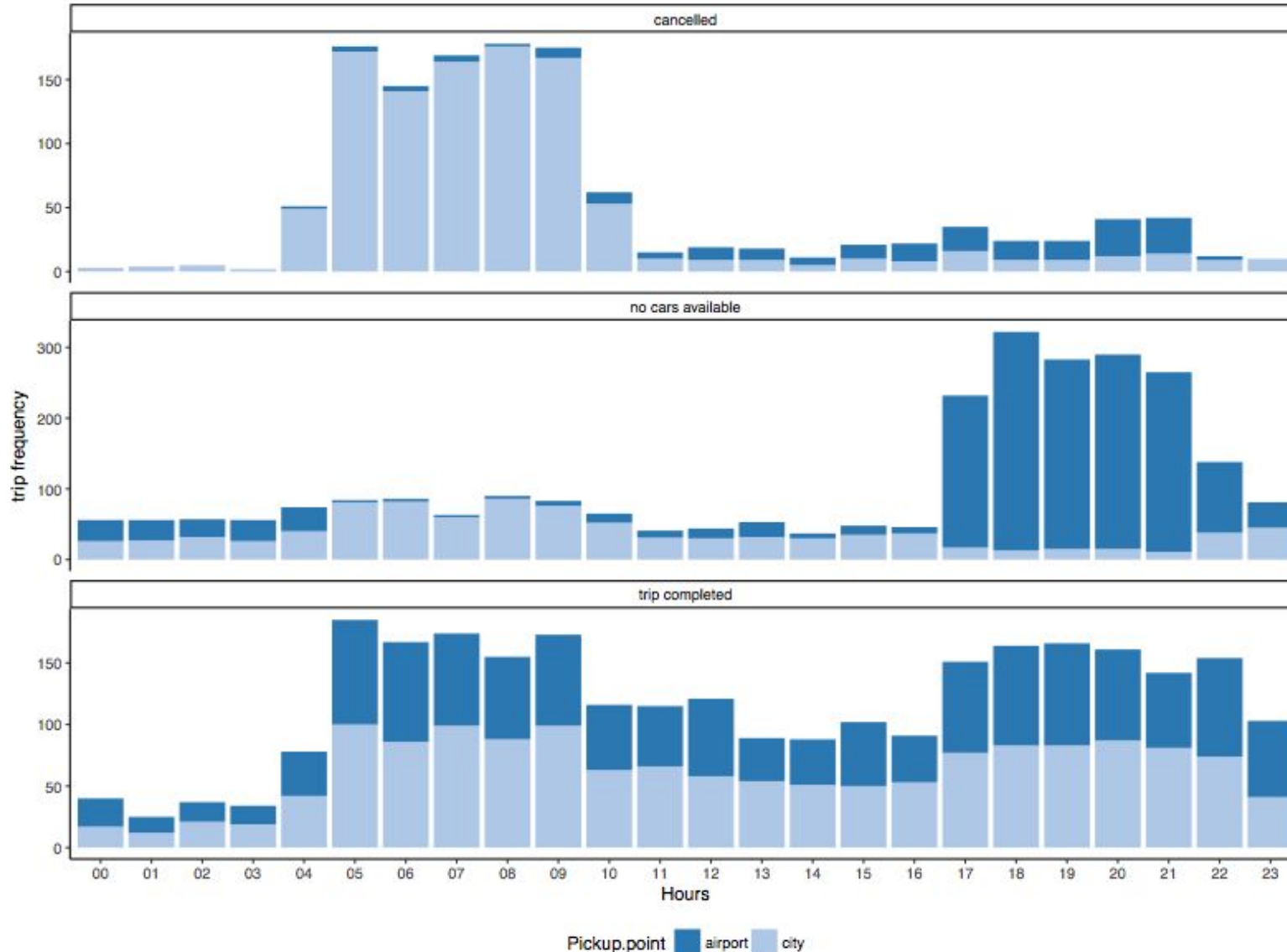
Step 3

Identify Root Cause

Recommend Measures

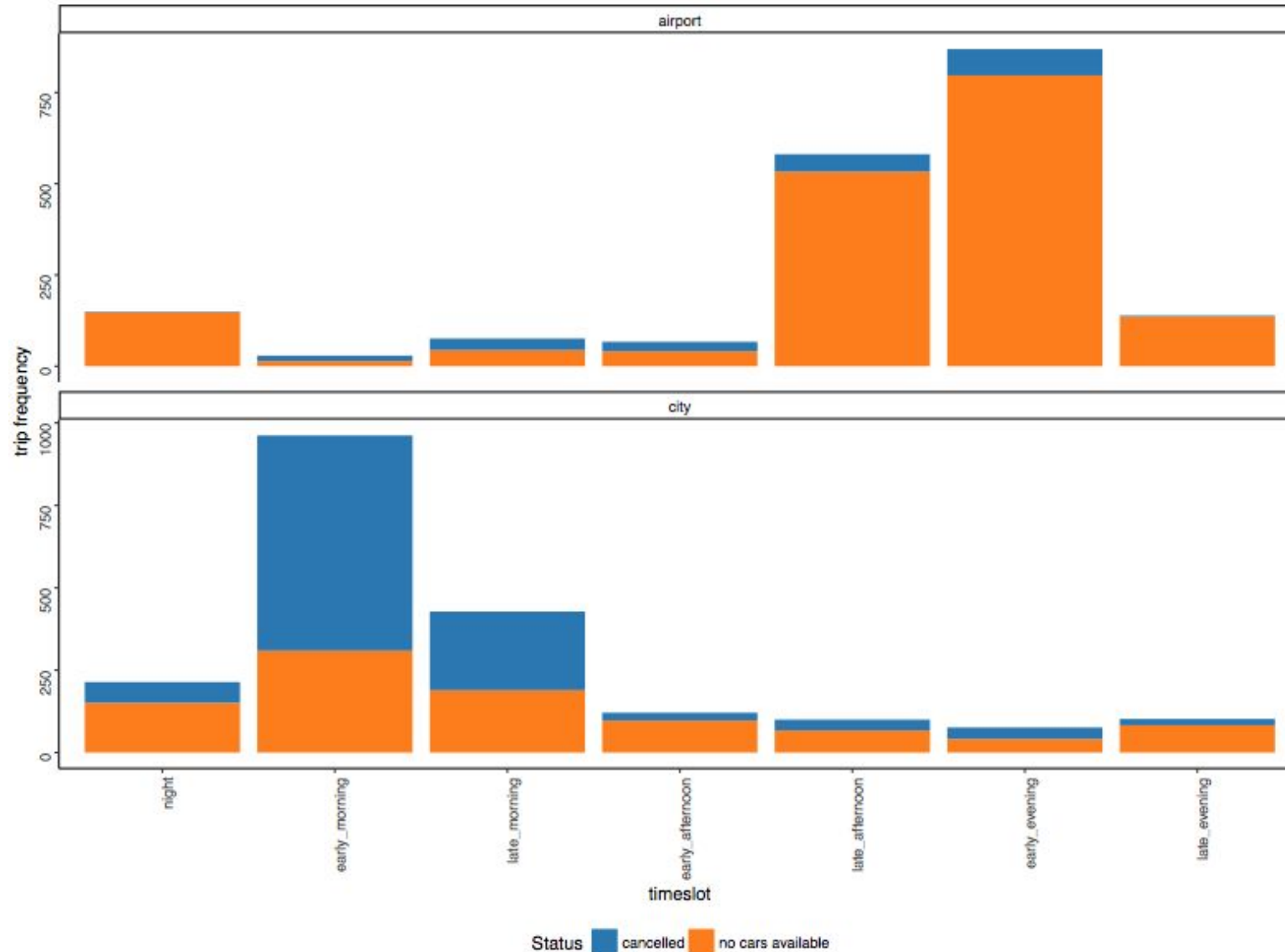
Overview of Trips

Supply Demand of Trips



- “cancelled” trips Status Peaking between 4am to 10 am in City
- “no cars available” Status peaks at the airport between 5 pm to 10 pm
- “trips completed” status remain balanced between 5 am to 11 pm

Problem trip types from airport/city and city/airport



Airport:

Problem trips	Problem Slots
No Cars available	early_evening

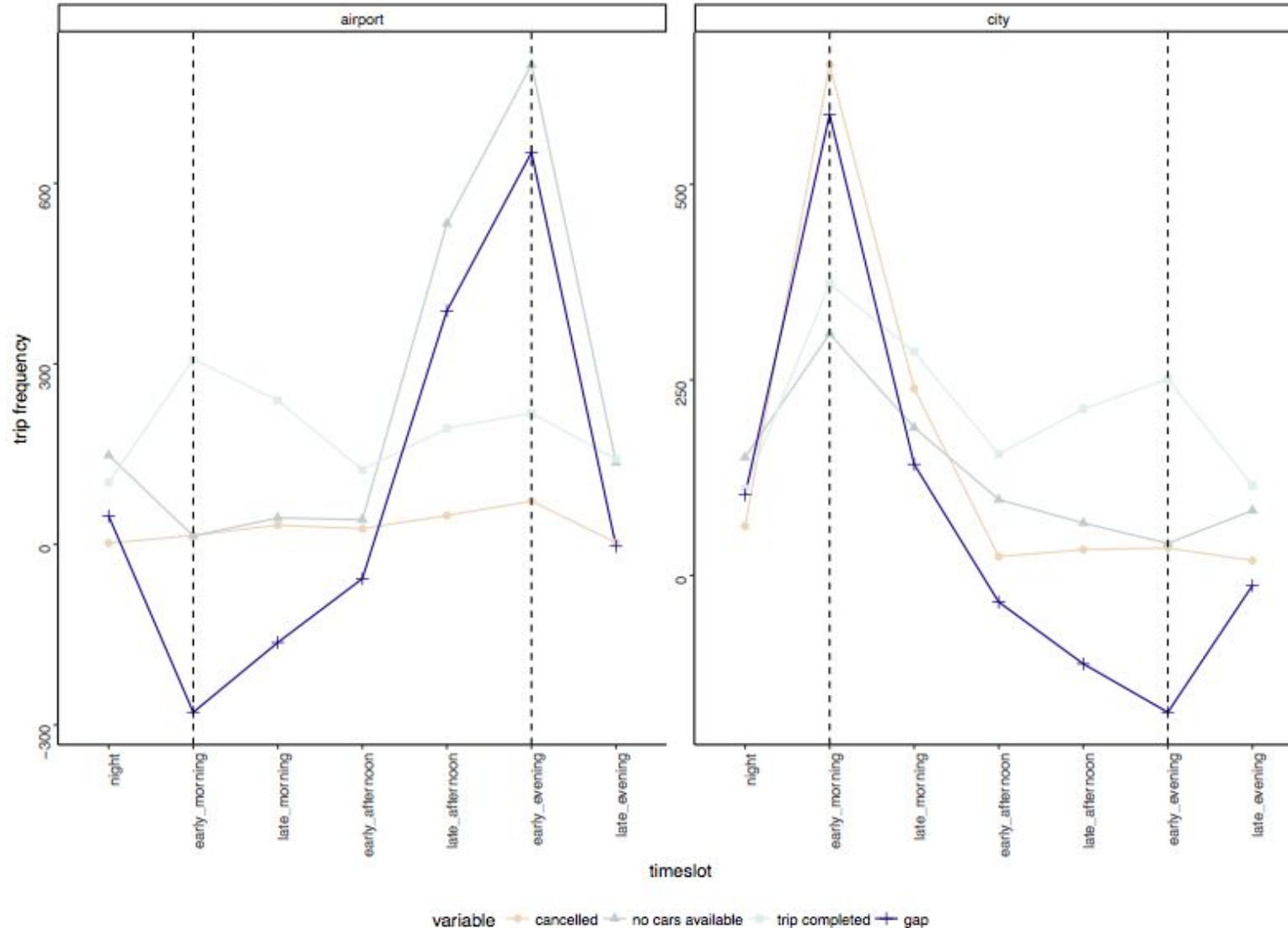
City:

Problem trips	Problem Slots
Cancelled	Early_morning

Demand Supply Gap Analysis

Demand and Supply Gap

Problem trips from airport to city and city to airport

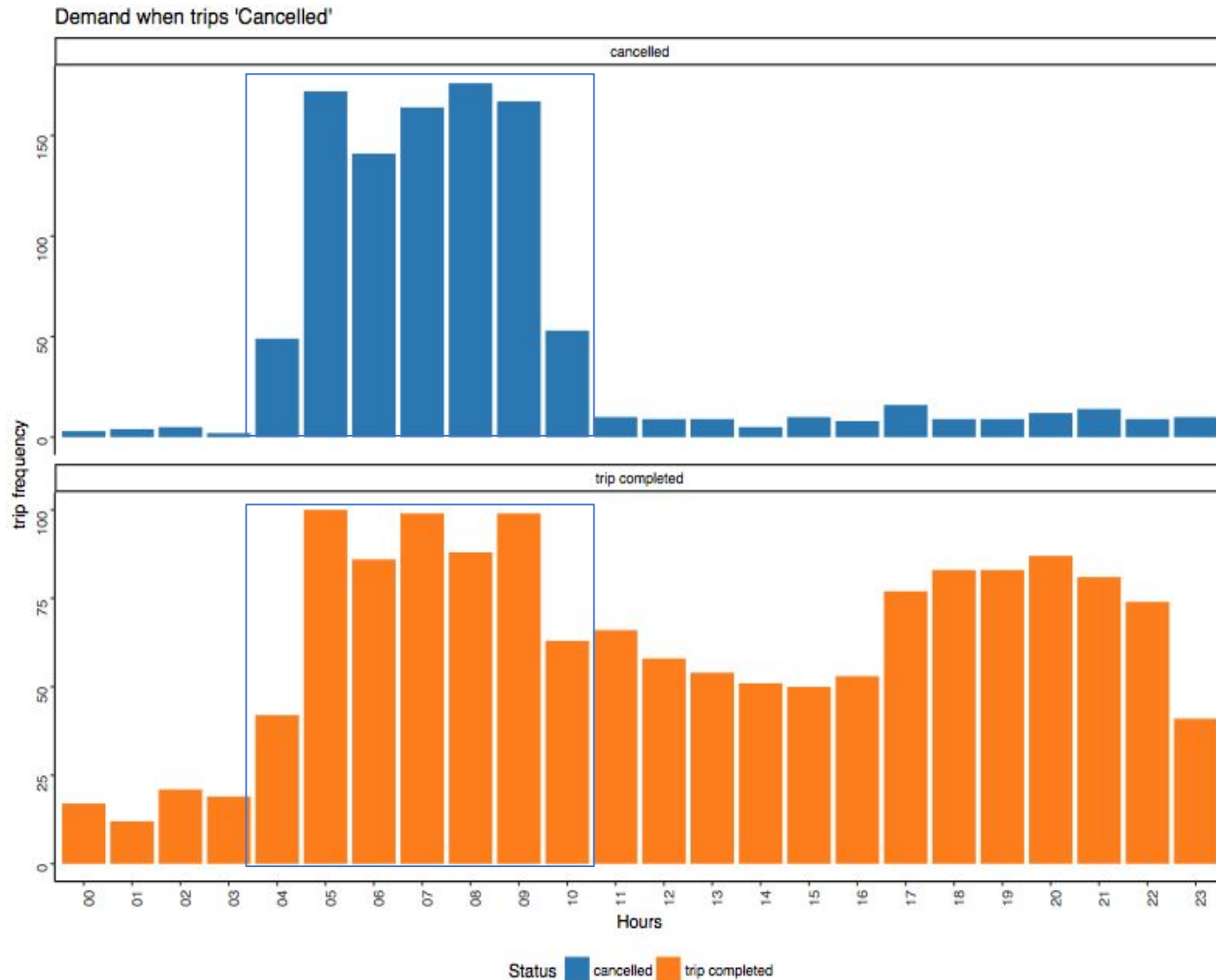


Airport:

- There is peak demand of 651 unfulfilled requests at the airport during early evening hours

City:

- Early mornings have a peak demand of 589 unfulfilled requests



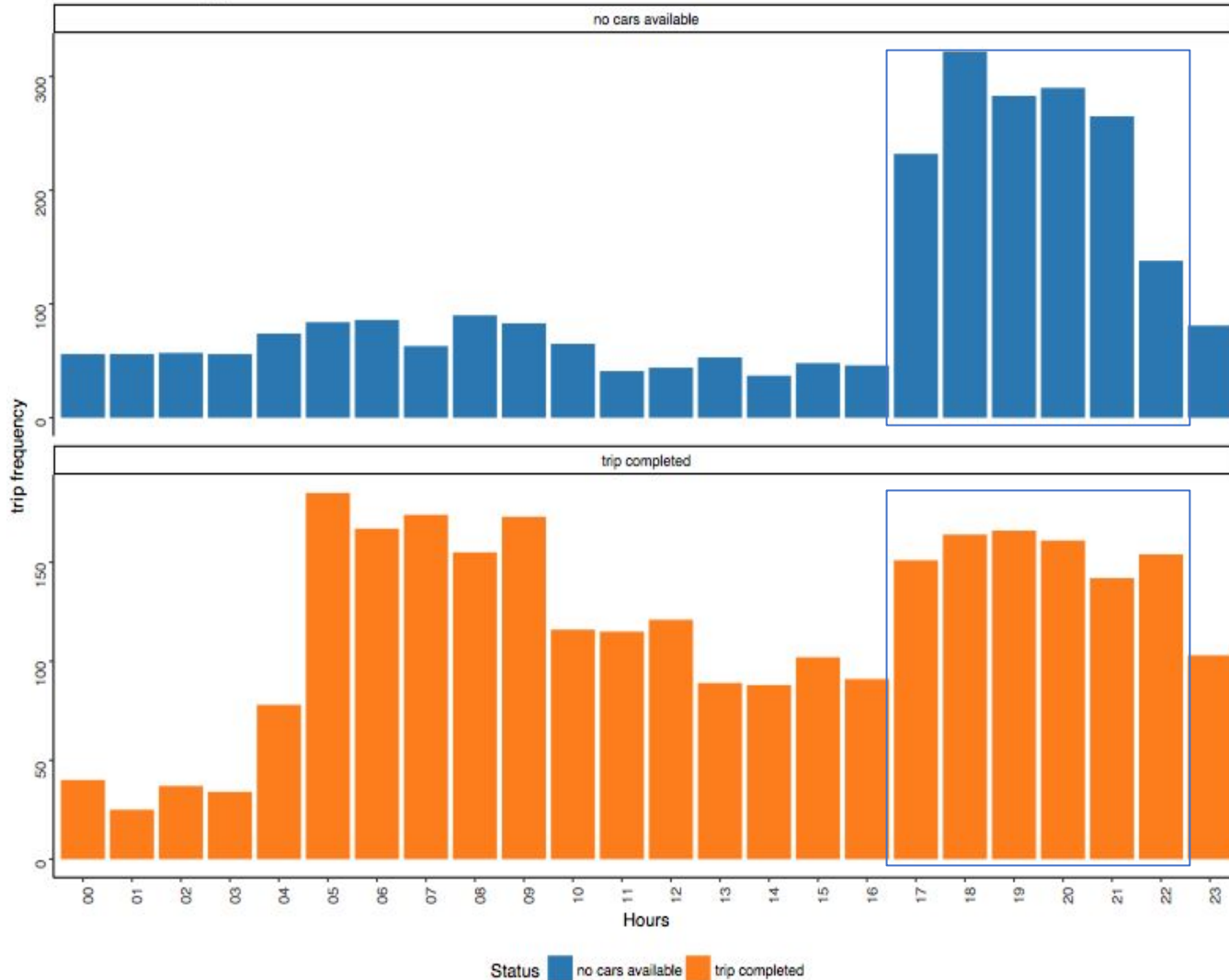
- From the City
 - Problematic hours tend to be (4 am to 10 am)
 - Cancellations are higher during this time

Probable Reason:

- Flights at the airport might begin to arrive in the late_mornings.
- Due to which driver partners tend to cancel the trip to airport to avoid longer "idle wait time" at the airport

Root Cause for No cars available

Demand and Supply when 'No Cars Available'



Indications:

- From airport "no cars available" status is acute between 5pm to 10pm.
- There are more flights arriving at the airport around this time. There are "no cars available" to serve the passengers at the airport

Probable Reason:

- This can also be the time when partner drivers end their daily schedule. and logout from the app

- Incentivize the trips when the demand for taxis is higher, this can push the drivers meet the demand to some extent
- Charge airport convenience fees: For airport trips in order to compensate the driver idle times, uber may charge slight convenience fees to trade-off cancellations.
- Invite new partner drivers: More the number of drivers greater the service.
- Encourage Overlapping Work shifts at peak demand
- Allow passengers to pre-book uber airport taxis through multiple channels.
- Inform drivers about new arrivals and new departures of flights in-advance.