Part I - FordGoBike System Data Exploration

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This document explores a dataset containing information about individual rides in a bike-sharing system covering the greater San Francisco Bay area.

Preliminary Wrangling

Column

duration sec

0

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In [1]: # import all packages and set plots to be embedded inline
         import numpy as np
         import pandas as pd
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         import seaborn as sb
         %matplotlib inline
         # load data
In [2]:
         df = pd.read csv('201902-fordgobike-tripdata.csv')
In [3]:
         # number of rows and columns
         df.shape
         (183412, 16)
Out[3]:
In [4]:
         # print first 5 rows
         df.head()
Out[4]:
            duration sec
                           start time
                                         end_time start_station_id start_station_name start_station_latitude start_station
                                                                      Montgomery St
                           2019-02-28
                                       2019-03-01
                                                                        BART Station
         0
                  52185
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                                       2019-03-01
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                  42521
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                           2019-02-28
                                       2019-03-01
                                                                        Market St at
         2
                  61854
                                                             86.0
                                                                                              37.769305
                         12:13:13.2180 05:24:08.1460
                                                                          Dolores St
                           2019-02-28
                                        2019-03-01
                                                                  Grove St at Masonic
                  36490
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                         17:54:26.0100 04:02:36.8420
                           2019-02-28
                                       2019-03-01
                                                                      Frank H Ogawa
                   1585
                                                              7.0
                                                                                              37.804562
                         23:54:18.5490 00:20:44.0740
                                                                              Plaza
In [5]: # data types and properties
         df.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 183412 entries, 0 to 183411
         Data columns (total 16 columns):
```

Non-Null Count

183412 non-null int64

Dtype

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2 end time
                                        183412 non-null object
          3 start_station_id
                                        183215 non-null float64
            start_station_name 183215 non-null object
          5 start station latitude 183412 non-null float64
          6 start station longitude 183412 non-null float64
         7 end_station_id 183215 non-null float64
8 end_station_name 183215 non-null object
9 end_station_latitude 183412 non-null float64
          10 end_station_longitude 183412 non-null float64
          11 bike id
                                        183412 non-null int64
                                          183412 non-null object
          12 user type
          13 member birth year
                                        175147 non-null float64
         14 member gender
                                        175147 non-null object
         15 bike_share_for_all_trip 183412 non-null object
        dtypes: float64(7), int64(2), object(7)
        memory usage: 22.4+ MB
In [6]: # data summary
         df.describe()
                duration_sec start_station_id start_station_latitude start_station_longitude end_station_id end_station_lat
Out[6]:
         count 183412.000000
                             183215.000000
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         mean
                  726.078435
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                                111.778864
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                   61.000000
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          min
          25%
                  325.000000
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                85444.000000
                                398.000000
                                                    37.880222
                                                                       -121.874119
                                                                                     398.000000
                                                                                                        37.8
          max
         # number of duplicated rows
         sum(df.duplicated())
Out[7]:
        No duplicated rows
        print(df.columns.values)
In [8]:
         ['duration sec' 'start time' 'end time' 'start station id'
          'start station name' 'start station latitude' 'start station longitude'
          'end station id' 'end station name' 'end station latitude'
          'end station longitude' 'bike id' 'user type' 'member birth year'
          'member gender' 'bike share for all trip']
         # number of unique values in the dataset
In [9]:
         df.nunique()
        duration sec
                                        4752
Out[9]:
        start time
                                      183401
                                      183397
        end time
        start station id
                                         329
        start station name
                                          329
        start station latitude
                                        334
        start station longitude
                                         335
```

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end_station_id
end station name

183412 non-null object

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start time

```
bike id
                                    4646
                                      2
        user type
                                     75
        member birth year
                                      3
        member gender
        bike_share_for_all trip
                                       2
        dtype: int64
In [10]:
        # sum of null values in each column
        df.isnull().sum()
                                     0
        duration sec
Out[10]:
        start_time
                                     0
                                     0
        end time
        start station id
                                   197
        start_station name
                                  197
        start_station_latitude 0
        start station longitude
                                    0
        end station id
                                  197
                                  197
        end station name
        end station latitude
                                   0
        end station longitude
        bike id
                                    0
        user_type
                                 8265
        member birth year
        member gender
                                 8265
        bike share for all trip
                                     0
        dtype: int64
        Five columns have rows with null values
```

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Issues

1. Null values

end station latitude

end station longitude

- 2. Start and end time datatype is not datetype
- 3. Bike id has integer datatype
- 4. Combined hour, day and year

Data Cleaning

Define: Remove rows with missing values

Code

```
In [11]: df.dropna(inplace=True)
```

Test

```
df.isnull().sum()
In [12]:
                                    0
        duration sec
Out[12]:
        start time
                                    0
        end time
                                    0
        start station id
        start station_name
        start station latitude
                                    0
        start station longitude
        end station id
        end station name
```

```
end_station_latitude 0
end_station_longitude 0
bike_id 0
user_type 0
member_birth_year 0
member_gender 0
bike_share_for_all_trip 0
dtype: int64
```

Define: Change start and end time datatype to datetype

Code

```
In [13]: df['start_time'] = pd.to_datetime(df['start_time'])
    df['end_time'] = pd.to_datetime(df['end_time'])
```

Test

```
In [14]: print(df['start_time'].dtype)
    print(df['end_time'].dtype)

datetime64[ns]
datetime64[ns]
```

Define: Change bike id datatype to string

Code

```
In [15]: df['bike_id'] = df.bike_id.astype(str)
```

Test

Define: Extract hour, day, month and year columns from the start and end date

Code

```
In [17]:
import datetime as dt
df['start_hr'] = df['start_time'].dt.hour
df['start_hr'] = df.start_hr.astype(str)
df['start_day'] = df['start_time'].dt.day_name()
df['start_month'] = df['start_time'].dt.month_name()
df['start_year'] = df['start_time'].dt.year
df['start_year'] = df.start_year.astype(str)

df['end_hr'] = df['end_time'].dt.hour
df['end_hr'] = df.end_hr.astype(str)
df['end_day'] = df['end_time'].dt.day_name()
df['end_month'] = df['end_time'].dt.month_name()
df['end_year'] = df['end_time'].dt.year
df['end_year'] = df.end_year.astype(str)

df.head()
```

(Market St at 2nd St)

2	61854	2019-02-28 12:13:13.218	2019-03-01 05:24:08.146	86.0	Market St at Dolores St	37.769305	-1:
3	36490	2019-02-28 17:54:26.010	2019-03-01 04:02:36.842	375.0	Grove St at Masonic Ave	37.774836	-1:
4	1585	2019-02-28 23:54:18.549	2019-03-01 00:20:44.074	7.0	Frank H Ogawa Plaza	37.804562	-1:
5	1793	2019-02-28 23:49:58.632	2019-03-01 00:19:51.760	93.0	4th St at Mission Bay Blvd S	37.770407	-1;

5 rows × 24 columns

Test

Out[20]:

```
df.dtypes
In [18]:
                                               int64
         duration sec
Out[18]:
         start time
                                     datetime64[ns]
         end time
                                     datetime64[ns]
         start station id
                                            float64
         start station name
                                             object
         start station latitude
                                            float64
         start station longitude
                                            float64
         end_station id
                                            float64
         end station name
                                             object
         end station latitude
                                            float64
         end station longitude
                                             float64
         bike id
                                              object
         user type
                                              object
         member birth year
                                             float64
         member_gender
                                              object
        bike share for all trip
                                              object
         start hr
                                              object
         start day
                                              object
         start month
                                              object
         start year
                                              object
         end hr
                                              object
         end day
                                              object
         end month
                                              object
         end year
                                              object
         dtype: object
In [19]:
         df.start year.nunique()
Out[19]:
         df.end year.nunique()
In [20]:
```

The start and end year included in the dataset is 2019

```
In [21]: df.shape
Out[21]: (174952, 24)
In [22]: df.describe()
```

Out[22]:		duration_sec	start_station_id	start_station_latitude	$start_station_longitude$	end_station_id	end_station_lat
	count	174952.000000	174952.000000	174952.000000	174952.000000	174952.000000	174952.0
	mean	704.002744	139.002126	37.771220	-122.351760	136.604486	37.7
	std	1642.204905	111.648819	0.100391	0.117732	111.335635	0.1
	min	61.000000	3.000000	37.317298	-122.453704	3.000000	37.3
	25%	323.000000	47.000000	37.770407	-122.411901	44.000000	37.7
	50%	510.000000	104.000000	37.780760	-122.398279	101.000000	37.7
	75%	789.000000	239.000000	37.797320	-122.283093	238.000000	37.7
	max	84548.000000	398.000000	37.880222	-121.874119	398.000000	37.8

What is the structure of your dataset?

The downloaded dataset has 183412 rows and 16 columns. After cleaning, the dataset has a shape of 174952 rows (rides) and 24 columns (features/variables). The dataset has 1 integer, 2 datatimes, 7 floats, while the others are string datatype.

What is/are the main feature(s) of interest in your dataset?

I'm interested in the trip duration, the hour, day and month of the trips, and if the user type, member birth year and gender influences the trip duration.

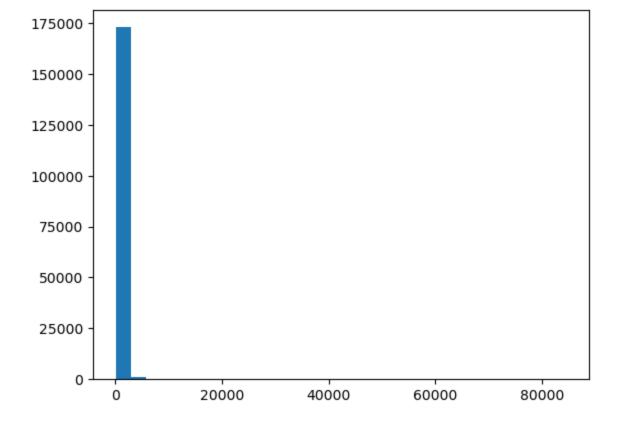
What features in the dataset do you think will help support your investigation into your feature(s) of interest?

The main features that can support my investigation are duration_sec , start_hour , start_day , start_month , end_hour , end_day , end_month , user_type , member_birth_year , member_gender .

Univariate exploration

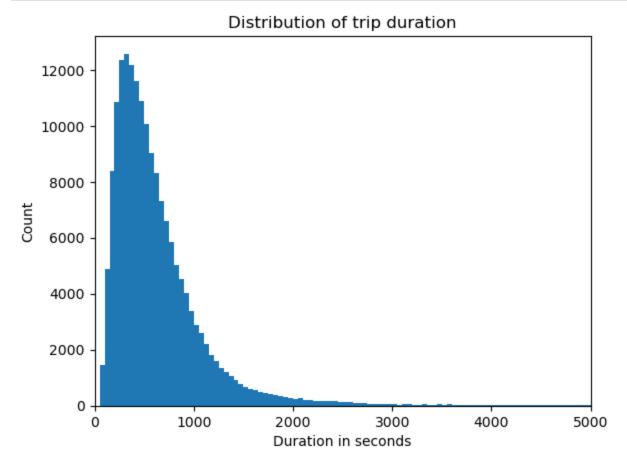
Firstly, I'll like to check the distribution of the trip duration in the ford gobike data.

```
In [23]: plt.hist(data = df, x = 'duration_sec', bins = 30);
```



One needs to take a closer look at the plot above as there are lots of outliers.

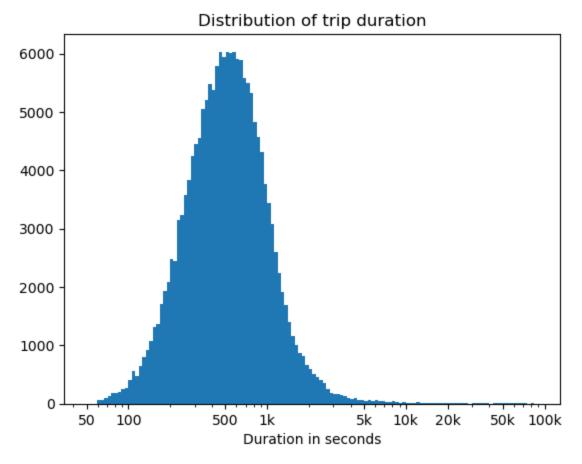
```
In [24]: bins = np.arange(50, df['duration_sec'].max()+50, 50)
    plt.hist(data = df, x = 'duration_sec', bins = bins)
    plt.xlabel('Duration in seconds')
    plt.ylabel('Count')
    plt.title('Distribution of trip duration')
    plt.xlim([0, 5000]);
```



The plot of the bike trip duration above shows that the distribution of the trip duration in seconds is left-skewed and unimodal with most trip duration below 1000 seconds. A long tail distribution is also observed.

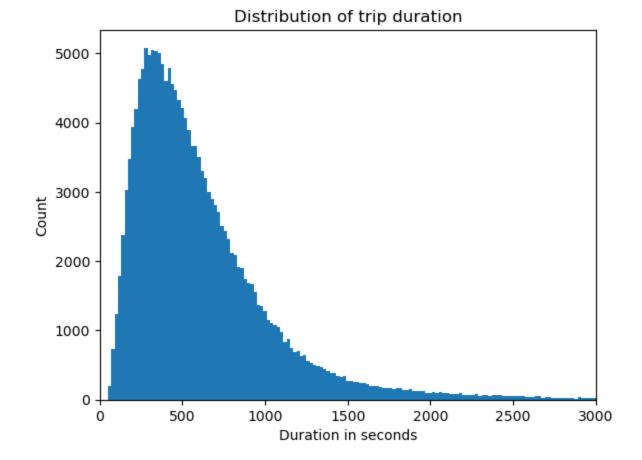
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In [25]: # ploting the log transformation of duration
log_binsize = 0.025
bins = 10 ** np.arange(1.7, np.log10(df['duration_sec'].max())+log_binsize, log_binsize)

plt.hist(data = df, x = 'duration_sec', bins = bins)
plt.xscale('log')
plt.xticks([50, 1e2, 5e2, 1e3, 5e3, 1e4, 2e4, 5e4, 1e5], [50, '100', '500', '1k', '5k', plt.xlabel('Duration in seconds')
plt.title('Distribution of trip duration');
```



The plot shows the peak to be around 500 seconds and there is a smooth fall from the peak to 2000 seconds.

```
In [26]: bins = np.arange(50, df['duration_sec'].max()+20, 20)
   plt.hist(data = df, x = 'duration_sec', bins = bins)
   plt.xlabel('Duration in seconds')
   plt.ylabel('Count')
   plt.title('Distribution of trip duration')
   plt.xlim([0, 3000]);
```



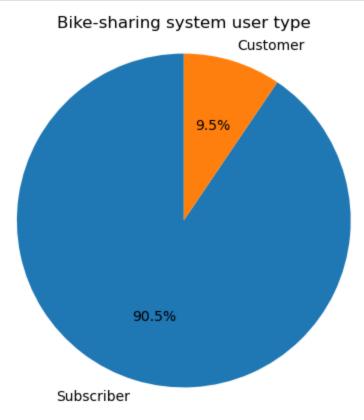
Using a smaller bin size, the plot shows that the distribution has three close peaks.

```
In [27]: # exploring the tail part of the distribution
  bins = np.arange(3000, df['duration_sec'].max()+1000, 1000)
  plt.hist(data = df, x = 'duration_sec', bins = bins)
  plt.ylabel('Count')
  plt.xlabel('Duration in seconds')
  plt.title('Distribution of trip duration')
  plt.xlim([3000, 90000]);
```

Distribution of trip duration 700 - 600 - 500 - 500 - 200 - 1000 20000 30000 40000 50000 60000 70000 80000 90000 Duration in seconds

Next, I'll like to explore the user types of the bike data.

```
In [28]: sorted_counts = df['user_type'].value_counts()
   plt.pie(sorted_counts, labels = sorted_counts.index, startangle = 90, autopct = '%1.1f%%
   plt.axis('square')
   plt.title('Bike-sharing system user type');
```



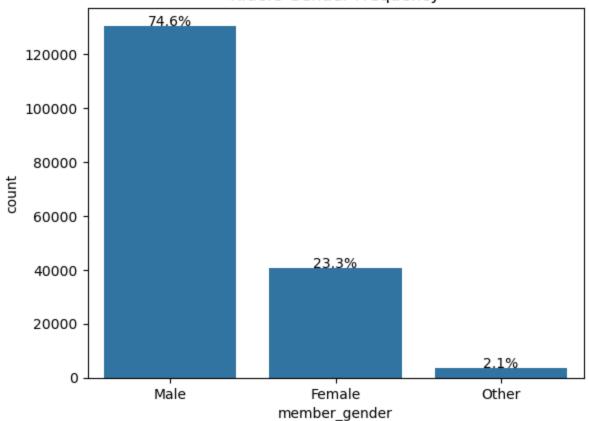
90.5% of riders were subscribers of the bike-sharing system.

What are riders gender and what is their frequency?

```
In [29]:
    base_color = sb.color_palette()[0]
    order = df.member_gender.value_counts().index
    ax = sb.countplot(data = df, x = 'member_gender', color = base_color, order = order)
    plt.title('Riders Gender Frequency')

    total = len(df)
    for a in ax.patches:
        percentage = '{:.1f}%'.format(100 * a.get_height()/total)
        x = a.get_x() + a.get_width()/2
        y = a.get_height()+.05
        ax.annotate(percentage, (x, y), ha ='center')
    plt.show();
```

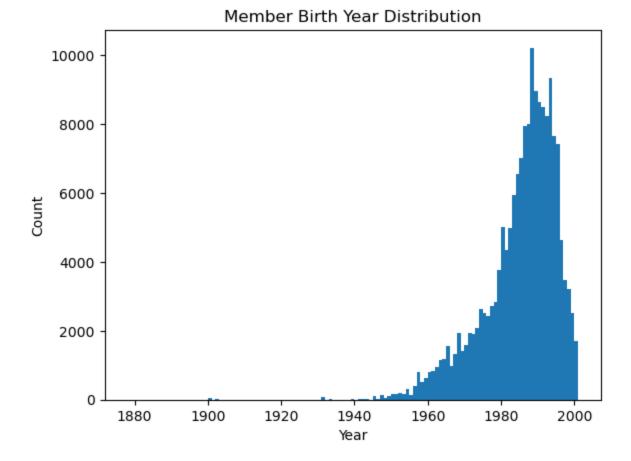
Riders Gender Frequency



The dominant gender of the riders is the male gender (74.6%) while females are 23.3%. 2.1% are neither males nor females (Other).

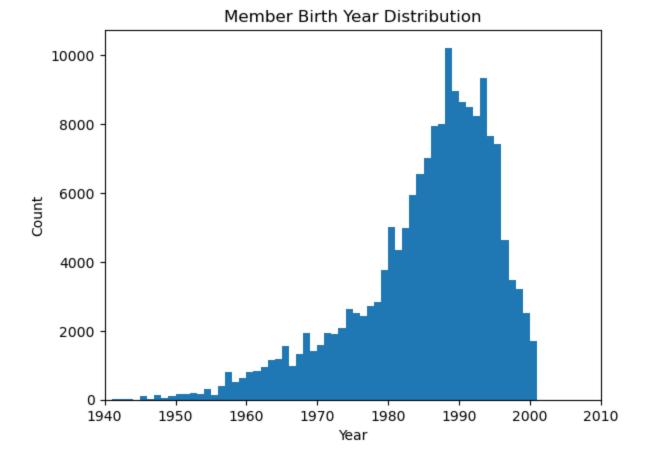
How about the member birth year distribution?

```
In [30]: bins = np.arange(1878, df['member_birth_year'].max()+1, 1)
plt.hist(data = df, x = 'member_birth_year', bins = bins)
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('Member Birth Year Distribution');
```

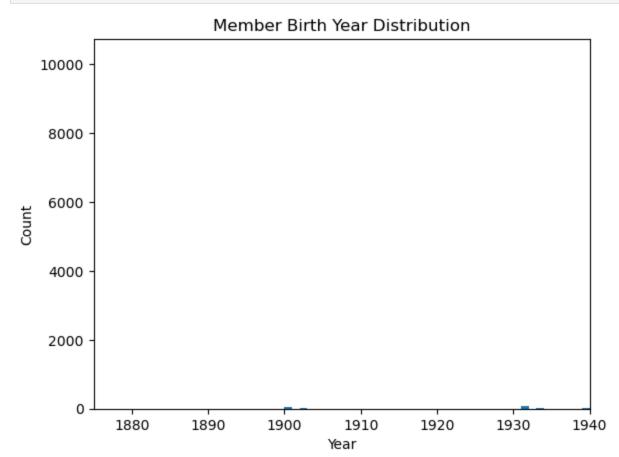


The distribution above is right-skewed but needs to be taken a closer look at. Most riders were born around 1990.

```
In [31]: # upper end of the distribution
bins = np.arange(1940, df['member_birth_year'].max()+1, 1)
plt.hist(data = df, x = 'member_birth_year', bins = bins)
plt.xlim([1940, 2010])
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('Member Birth Year Distribution');
```



```
In [32]: # lower end of the distribution
bins = np.arange(1875, df['member_birth_year'].max()+1, 1)
plt.hist(data = df, x = 'member_birth_year', bins = bins)
plt.xlim([1875, 1940])
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('Member Birth Year Distribution');
```



The plot shows that there are riders born around 1900 and 1931.

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Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

end day

Friday

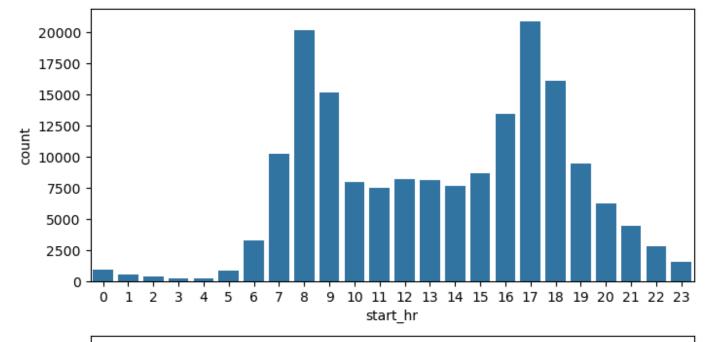
Sunday

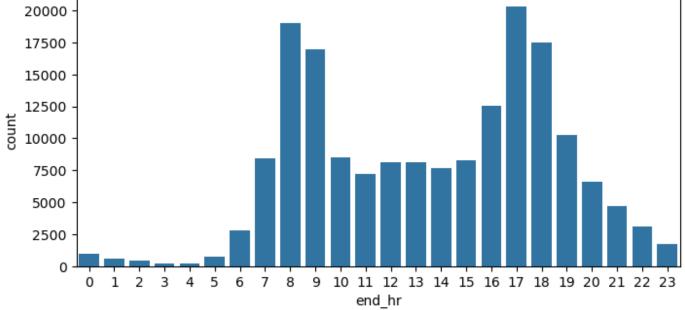
Saturday

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How many rides per week? (start and end day and hour)
         # convert day, and hour into ordered categorical types
In [33]:
         ordinal var dict = {'start day': ['Monday','Tuesday','Wednesday','Thursday','Friday',
                             'end day': ['Monday','Tuesday','Wednesday','Thursday','Friday', 'Sat
                            'start hr': [str(i) for i in range(0,24)],
                            'end hr': [str(i) for i in range(0,24)]}
         for var in ordinal var dict:
             ordered var = pd.api.types.CategoricalDtype(ordered = True,
                                                          categories = ordinal var dict[var])
             df[var] = df[var].astype(ordered var)
         # ride day frequency
In [34]:
         fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, figsize = [8,8])
         base color = sb.color palette()[0]
         sb.countplot(data = df, x = 'start day', color = base color, ax = ax[0])
         sb.countplot(data = df, x = 'end_day', color = base_color, ax = ax[1]);
            35000
            30000
            25000
           20000
            15000
            10000
             5000
                0
                     Monday
                                Tuesday
                                          Wednesday
                                                      Thursday
                                                                   Friday
                                                                                         Sunday
                                                                             Saturday
                                                      start day
            35000
            30000
            25000
            20000
            15000
            10000
             5000
```

The start and end days are the same. Most trips occured on Thursday. Then Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Monday. Saturday and Sunday has the least number of rides.

```
In [35]: # frequency of ride hours
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, figsize = [8,8])
    base_color = sb.color_palette()[0]
    sb.countplot(data = df, x = 'start_hr', color = base_color, ax = ax[0])
    sb.countplot(data = df, x = 'end_hr', color = base_color, ax = ax[1]);
```





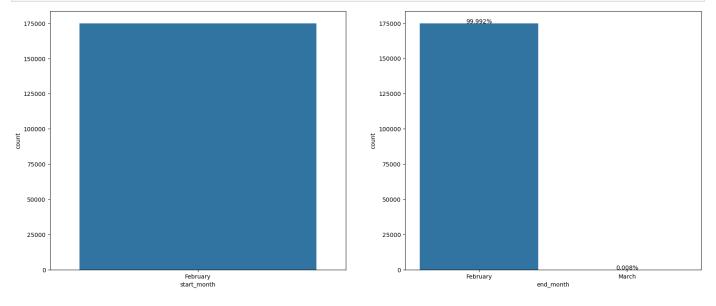
Rides mostly started at the 17th and 8th hour, and an hour after for both hours. That is 5pm, 8am, 6pm and 9am. This can be attributed to the rush hours in the morning and evening. The same is true for the end hour of the rides. The start hour of the rides decreased progressively for the 17th hour to the 4th hour, while it then begin to rise from the 4th hour to 8th hour. The 3rd and 4th hours has the least record of rides.

How many trip records are there in each month?

```
In [36]: plt.figure(figsize = [20, 8])
  plt.subplot(1,2,1)
  base_color = sb.color_palette()[0]
  sb.countplot(data = df, x = 'start_month', color = base_color)
```

```
plt.subplot(1,2,2)
base_color = sb.color_palette()[0]
order = df.end_month.value_counts().index
ax = sb.countplot(data = df, x = 'end_month', color = base_color, order = order)

total = len(df)
for a in ax.patches:
    percentage = '{:.3f}%'.format(100 * a.get_height()/total)
    x = a.get_x() + a.get_width()/2
    y = a.get_height()+.05
    ax.annotate(percentage, (x, y), ha = 'center')
plt.show();
```



All trips started in February, while all except 0.008% ended in February as well.

Bivariate exploration

What is the relationship between trip duration and the start and end days?

```
In [37]: plt.figure(figsize = [20, 5])
base_color = sb.color_palette()[0]
plt.subplot(1,2,1)
sb.boxplot(data = df, x = 'start_day', y = 'duration_sec', color = base_color)

plt.subplot(1,2,2)
sb.boxplot(data = df, x = 'end_day', y = 'duration_sec', color = base_color);
```

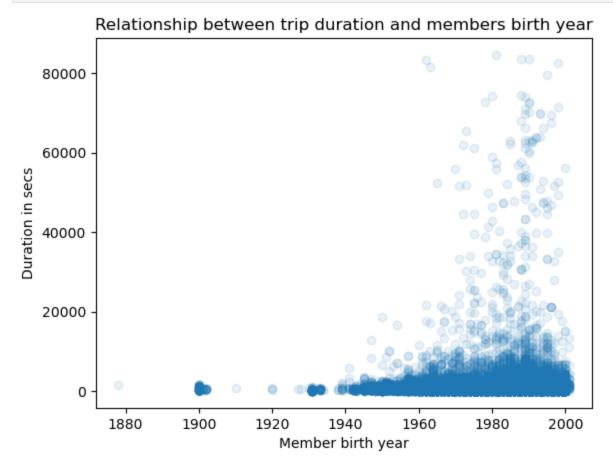
As a result of the many outliers, the full nature of the relationship between trip duration and start and end day is not plotted.



Trips are longer during weekends than during weekdays. However from earlier univariate exploration, trips least occured during weekends. This implies that although people who ride during weekends are less, they ride for longer periods than those who ride during the day.

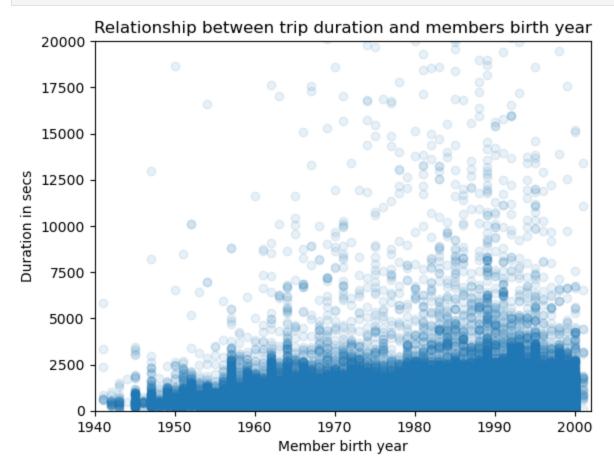
What is the relationship between trip duration and members birth year?

```
In [39]: plt.scatter(data = df, x = 'member_birth_year', y = 'duration_sec', alpha = 0.1)
    plt.xlabel('Member birth year')
    plt.ylabel('Duration in secs')
    plt.title('Relationship between trip duration and members birth year');
```



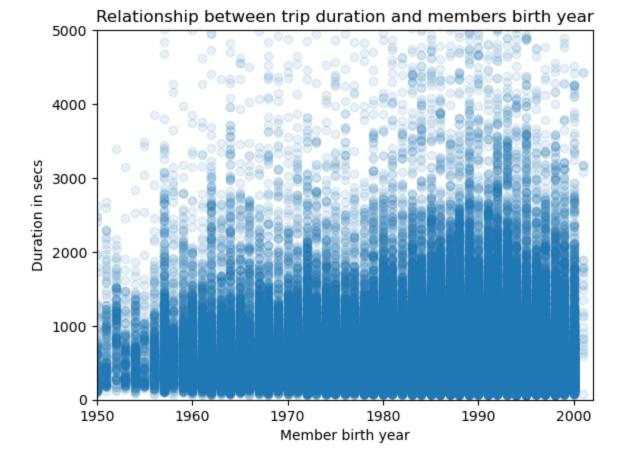
Riders that ride beyond 20000 seconds are born after 1960.

```
In [40]: plt.scatter(data = df, x = 'member_birth_year', y = 'duration_sec', alpha = 0.1);
    plt.xlim([1940, 2002])
    plt.ylim([0, 20000])
    plt.xlabel('Member birth year')
    plt.ylabel('Duration in secs')
    plt.title('Relationship between trip duration and members birth year');
```



A closer look at the data shows that there are even more riders born between 1950 and 2001 that go on trips below 3000 seconds.

```
In [41]: plt.scatter(data = df, x = 'member_birth_year', y = 'duration_sec', alpha = 0.1);
    plt.xlim([1950, 2002])
    plt.ylim([0, 5000])
    plt.xlabel('Member birth year')
    plt.ylabel('Duration in secs')
    plt.title('Relationship between trip duration and members birth year');
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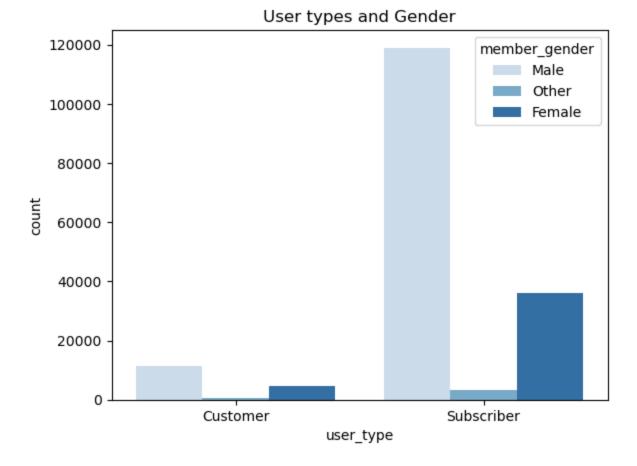
What is the relationship between trip duration and gender? Do males ride for longer periods than females?

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In [42]:
         plt.figure(figsize = [20, 5])
          base color = sb.color palette()[0]
          plt.subplot(1,2,1)
          sb.boxplot(data = df, x = 'member gender', y = 'duration sec', color = base color, order
          plt.ylim([0, 3000])
         plt.subplot(1,2,2)
          sb.boxplot(data = df, x = 'user type', y = 'duration sec', color = base color)
          plt.ylim([0, 3000]);
           2500
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                                member_gender
                                                                                      user_type
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On average, females ride for longer duration that males while customers ride for longer duration than subscribers.

What is the relationship between user type and gender?

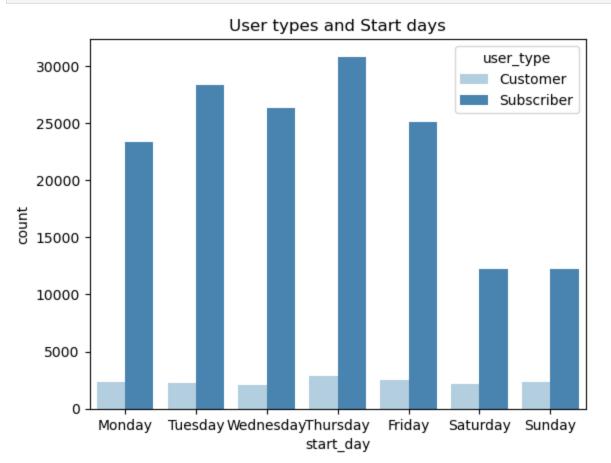
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In [43]: sb.countplot(data = df, x = 'user_type', hue = 'member_gender', palette = 'Blues')
plt.title('User types and Gender');
```



The proportion of males are greater than females in each of the user type.

What is the relationship between user type and start days?

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In [44]: sb.countplot(data = df, x = 'start_day', hue = 'user_type', palette = 'Blues')
plt.title('User types and Start days');
```

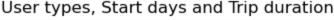


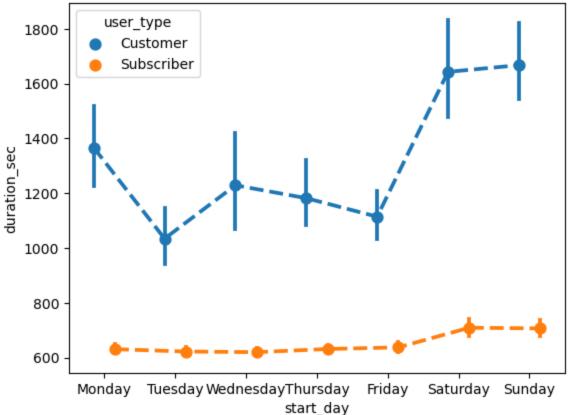
Most subscribers ride on thursday, then tuesday, wednesday and friday, while weekends are the lowest. Most customers ride on thursday while wednesday has the lowest record.

Multivariate exploration

How long do subscribers and customers (user types) travel during each day of the week?

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In [45]: sb.pointplot(data = df, x = 'start_day', y = 'duration_sec', hue = 'user_type', dodge =
plt.title('User types, Start days and Trip duration');
```





Customers travel more than subscriber during each day of the week. For each user type, the trip duration is higher on Weekends than on weekdays. However, customers travel for longer periods on Sundays than on Saturdays while it is vice versa for subscribers.

How long do each gender travel during each day of the week?

```
In [46]: sb.pointplot(data = df, x = 'start_day', y = 'duration_sec', hue = 'member_gender', dodg
plt.title('Member gender, Start days and Trip duration');
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Member gender, Start days and Trip duration member gender 2000 Male Other 1800 Female 1600 duration sec 1400 1200 1000 800 600 Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday Monday start day

Females ride for the longest average duration on Sunday and for the least average duration on Tuesday. The 'other' gender also ride more than the males on each day of the week.

Conclusion

During the univariate exploration of the bike data, the following insights were deduced:

- The data included records from February to March 2019
- Most rides were below 1000 seconds
- 90.5% of riders are subscribers
- 74.6% are males
- Most riders were born between 1985 and 1995
- Thursdays were the busiest day and 5pm, 8am, 6pm and 9am were the busiest hours

Findings from the bivariate exploration were:

- Trips are longer during weekends than during weekdays.
- Riders that are able to ride beyond 20000 seconds are born after 1960 and there are riders born between 1950 and 2001 go on trips below 3000 seconds.
- On average, females ride for longer duration that males while customers ride for longer duration than subscribers.
- The proportion of males are greater than females in each of the user type.
- Most subscribers ride on thursday while weekends are the lowest. Most customers ride on thursday
 while wednesday has the lowest record.

The multivaritate exploration showed that:

- Customers travel more than subscriber during each day of the week. For each user type, the trip duration is higher on Weekends than on weekdays. However, customers travel for longer periods on Sundays than on Saturdays while it is vice versa for subscribers.
- Females ride for the longest average duration on Sunday and for the least average duration on Tuesday. The 'other' gender also ride more than the males on each day of the week.