## **Import Libraries**

```
In [1]: # Import necessary libraries
   import pandas as pd
   import numpy as np
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   import seaborn as sns
   from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
   from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
   from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score, mean_absolute_error
   import xgboost as xgb
```

# Loading the data

```
train = pd.read csv('train.csv')
         test = pd.read csv('test.csv')
         features = pd.read csv('features.csv')
         stores = pd.read csv('stores.csv')
         train.head()
In [6]:
                             Date Weekly_Sales IsHoliday
Out[6]:
            Store Dept
         0
                     1 2010-02-05
                                       24924.50
                                                    False
                     1 2010-02-12
                                       46039.49
                                                    True
                     1 2010-02-19
                                       41595.55
                                                    False
         3
               1
                     1 2010-02-26
                                       19403.54
                                                    False
                     1 2010-03-05
                                       21827.90
                                                    False
```

```
In [7]: train.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 421570 entries, 0 to 421569
         Data columns (total 5 columns):
              Column
                            Non-Null Count
                                             Dtype
                            _____
              Store
                            421570 non-null int64
          1
              Dept
                            421570 non-null int64
                            421570 non-null object
          2
              Date
              Weekly Sales 421570 non-null float64
             IsHoliday
                            421570 non-null bool
         dtypes: bool(1), float64(1), int64(2), object(1)
         memory usage: 13.3+ MB
         train['Date'] = pd.to datetime(train.Date)
 In [8]:
         train['Date'].tail()
 In [9]:
                  2012-09-28
         421565
Out[9]:
         421566
                  2012-10-05
         421567
                  2012-10-12
         421568
                  2012-10-19
         421569
                  2012-10-26
         Name: Date, dtype: datetime64[ns]
In [10]: test.head()
Out[10]:
            Store Dept
                            Date IsHoliday
         0
                    1 2012-11-02
                                     False
                    1 2012-11-09
         1
               1
                                      False
         2
                     1 2012-11-16
               1
                                     False
               1
                     1 2012-11-23
                                      True
         4
               1
                     1 2012-11-30
                                     False
In [11]: test['Weekly_Sales'] = np.nan
In [12]: test.head()
```

Out[12]:		Store	Dept	Date	IsHoliday	Weekly_Sales
	0	1	1	2012-11-02	False	NaN
	1	1	1	2012-11-09	False	NaN
	2	1	1	2012-11-16	False	NaN
	3	1	1	2012-11-23	True	NaN
	4	1	1	2012-11-30	False	NaN

In [14]: features.head()

Out[14]:		Store	Date	Temperature	Fuel_Price	MarkDown1	MarkDown2	MarkDown3	MarkDown4	MarkDown5	СРІ	Unemployment	IsHoliday
	0	1	2010- 02-05	42.31	2.572	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	211.096358	8.106	False
	1	1	2010- 02-12	38.51	2.548	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	211.242170	8.106	True
	2	1	2010- 02-19	39.93	2.514	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	211.289143	8.106	False
	3	1	2010- 02-26	46.63	2.561	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	211.319643	8.106	False
	4	1	2010- 03-05	46.50	2.625	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	211.350143	8.106	False

In [15]: features.info()

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 8190 entries, 0 to 8189
         Data columns (total 12 columns):
              Column
                             Non-Null Count Dtype
                             8190 non-null
              Store
                                            int64
          1
              Date
                             8190 non-null
                                             object
              Temperature
                            8190 non-null
                                             float64
          3
              Fuel Price
                             8190 non-null
                                            float64
              MarkDown1
                             4032 non-null
                                            float64
              MarkDown2
                             2921 non-null
                                            float64
              MarkDown3
                             3613 non-null
                                            float64
          7
              MarkDown4
                             3464 non-null
                                            float64
              MarkDown5
                             4050 non-null
                                            float64
          9
              CPI
                             7605 non-null
                                            float64
          10 Unemployment 7605 non-null
                                             float64
          11 IsHoliday
                             8190 non-null
                                             bool
         dtypes: bool(1), float64(9), int64(1), object(1)
         memory usage: 712.0+ KB
         # Assuming 'feature' is your DataFrame
In [16]:
         features[['MarkDown1', 'MarkDown2', 'MarkDown3', 'MarkDown4', 'MarkDown5']] = features[['MarkDown1', 'MarkDown2', 'MarkDown3', 'N
         features.CPI.head()
In [18]:
              211.096358
Out[18]:
              211.242170
              211.289143
              211.319643
              211.350143
         Name: CPI, dtype: float64
         features['CPI'] = features['CPI'].interpolate()
In [19]:
         features.Unemployment.head()
In [20]:
              8.106
Out[20]:
              8.106
              8.106
              8.106
              8.106
         Name: Unemployment, dtype: float64
```

```
features['Unemployment'] = features['Unemployment'].interpolate()
In [21]:
         features.info()
In [22]:
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 8190 entries, 0 to 8189
         Data columns (total 12 columns):
              Column
                            Non-Null Count Dtype
                            8190 non-null
                                            int64
              Store
          1
              Date
                            8190 non-null
                                            object
              Temperature
                            8190 non-null
                                            float64
          3
              Fuel Price
                            8190 non-null
                                            float64
              MarkDown1
                            8190 non-null
                                            float64
              MarkDown2
                            8190 non-null
                                            float64
              MarkDown3
                            8190 non-null
                                            float64
              MarkDown4
                            8190 non-null
                                            float64
              MarkDown5
                            8190 non-null
                                            float64
          9
              CPI
                            8190 non-null
                                            float64
          10 Unemployment 8190 non-null
                                            float64
          11 IsHoliday
                            8190 non-null
                                            bool
         dtypes: bool(1), float64(9), int64(1), object(1)
         memory usage: 712.0+ KB
         features['Date'] = pd.to datetime(features.Date)
In [23]:
         features.drop('IsHoliday',axis=1,inplace=True)
```

### Train set

```
In [25]: train_set = pd.merge(train,features, on=['Date','Store'],how='inner')
In [26]: train_set.head()
```

Out[26]:		Store	Dept	Date	Weekly_Sales	IsHoliday	Temperature	Fuel_Price	MarkDown1	MarkDown2	MarkDown3	MarkDown4	MarkDown5	СРІ
	0	1	1	2010- 02-05	24924.50	False	42.31	2.572	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	211.096358
	1	1	2	2010- 02-05	50605.27	False	42.31	2.572	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	211.096358
	2	1	3	2010- 02-05	13740.12	False	42.31	2.572	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	211.096358
	3	1	4	2010- 02-05	39954.04	False	42.31	2.572	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	211.096358
	4	1	5	2010- 02-05	32229.38	False	42.31	2.572	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	211.096358
4														•
In [27]:				-	he year Year'] = tra:	in_set[' <mark>D</mark> a	ate'].dt.iso	calendar()	).week					
In [28]:	gr	ouped_	_data=	train	_set.set_ind	ex('Date'	)							
In [29]:	gr	ouped_	_data.	head()										

Out[29]:		Store	Dept	Weekly_Sales	IsHoliday	Temperature	Fuel_Price	MarkDown1	MarkDown2	MarkDown3	MarkDown4	MarkDown5	СРІ	Uı
	Date													
	2010- 02-05	1	1	24924.50	False	42.31	2.572	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	211.096358	
	2010- 02-05	1	2	50605.27	False	42.31	2.572	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	211.096358	
	2010- 02-05	1	3	13740.12	False	42.31	2.572	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	211.096358	
	2010- 02-05	1	4	39954.04	False	42.31	2.572	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	211.096358	
	2010- 02-05	1	5	32229.38	False	42.31	2.572	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	211.096358	
4														•

# **Model Training**

## Random Forest Regression

```
In [55]: # Import necessary libraries
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor # For regression tasks
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score, mean_absolute_error

# Assuming your train_set is a DataFrame with features and the target variable
# Replace 'target_column' with the actual name of your continuous target variable

X = grouped_data.drop('Weekly_Sales', axis=1) # Features (all columns except the target)
y = grouped_data['Weekly_Sales'] # Continuous Target

# Splitting the data into training and validation sets (80% training, 20% validation)
X_train, X_val, y_train, y_val = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)

# Create the Random Forest model for regression
```

```
model = RandomForestRegressor(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)

# Train the model
model.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Predict on the validation set
y_pred = model.predict(X_val)

# Evaluate the model using Mean Squared Error
mse = mean_squared_error(y_val, y_pred)
r2_score = r2_score(y_val,y_pred)
mae = mean_absolute_error(y_val,y_pred)
print(f'Mean Squared Error: {mse}')
print(f'R2: {r2_score}')
print(f'MAE: {mae}')
```

Mean Squared Error: 17504011.69075895

R2: 0.966705010189062 MAE: 1573.0075135434208

# **XgBoost**

```
import xgboost as xgb
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score, mean_absolute_error

# Assuming 'train_set' is your dataset and 'target_column' is your continuous target variable
X = grouped_data.drop('Weekly_Sales', axis=1) # Features
y = grouped_data['Weekly_Sales'] # Continuous Target variable (e.g., sales values)

# Split data into training and validation sets
X_train, X_val, y_train, y_val = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)

# Initialize the XGBoost regressor model
xgb = xgb.XGBRegressor(n_estimators=150, learning_rate=0.9, random_state=42)

# Train the model
xgb.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Make predictions on the validation set
y_pred = xgb.predict(X_val)
```

```
# Evaluate the model using Mean Squared Error (or other regression metrics)
mse = mean_squared_error(y_val, y_pred)
mae = mean_absolute_error(y_val, y_pred)
r2 = r2_score(y_val, y_pred)

print(f'Mean Squared Error: {mse}')
print(f'Mean Absolute Error: {mae}')
print(f'R2: {r2}')
Mean Squared Error: 30834123.71287822
Mean Absolute Error: 3223.7791697690673
R2: 0.9413493401977402
```

## **Gradient Boosting Regression**

```
In [37]: from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingRegressor
         # Initialize Gradient Boosting Regressor model
         gbr model = GradientBoostingRegressor(n estimators=150, learning rate=0.1, max depth=5, random state=42)
         # Train the model
         gbr model.fit(X train, y train)
         # Predict on the validation set
         y pred gbr = gbr model.predict(X val)
         # Evaluate the model
         mse gbr = mean squared error(y val, y pred gbr)
         r2 gbr = r2 score(y val, y pred gbr)
         mae = mean absolute error(y val, y pred)
         print(f"Gradient Boosting - Mean Squared Error: {mse gbr}")
         print(f"Gradient Boosting - R-squared: {r2 gbr}")
         print(f'Mean Absolute Error: {mae}')
         Gradient Boosting - Mean Squared Error: 89771913.04434471
         Gradient Boosting - R-squared: 0.8292417199596677
         Mean Absolute Error: 3223.7791697690673
```

# **CatBoost Regression**

```
In [39]: from catboost import CatBoostRegressor
         # Define the CatBoost Regressor model
         catboost model = CatBoostRegressor(iterations=1000, learning rate=0.1, depth=6, random seed=42, verbose=100)
         # Train the model
         catboost model.fit(X train, y train, eval set=(X val, y val), use best model=True, verbose=100)
         # Predict on the validation set
         v pred = catboost model.predict(X val)
         # Evaluate the model performance
         mse = mean squared error(y val, y pred)
         r2 = r2 score(y val, y pred)
         mae = mean absolute error(y val,y pred)
         print(f"Mean Squared Error: {mse}")
         print(f"R-squared: {r2}")
         print(f"MAE: {mae}")
                 learn: 22047.0323482
                                          test: 22323.3787665
                                                                  best: 22323.3787665 (0) total: 195ms
                                                                                                           remaining: 3m 14s
         0:
                 learn: 12195.7417060
                                                                                                                   remaining: 31.9s
         100:
                                          test: 12549.4274558
                                                                  best: 12549.4274558 (100)
                                                                                                   total: 3.58s
         200:
                 learn: 10167.2147604
                                          test: 10507.7174548
                                                                  best: 10507.7174548 (200)
                                                                                                   total: 7.09s
                                                                                                                   remaining: 28.2s
         300:
                 learn: 9054.6438339
                                          test: 9389.0602462
                                                                  best: 9389.0602462 (300)
                                                                                                   total: 10.6s
                                                                                                                   remaining: 24.5s
                                                                                                                   remaining: 21.3s
         400:
                 learn: 8426.3834143
                                          test: 8758.7318893
                                                                   best: 8758.7318893 (400)
                                                                                                   total: 14.3s
         500:
                 learn: 7940.8940850
                                                                  best: 8278.2113479 (500)
                                                                                                   total: 17.7s
                                                                                                                   remaining: 17.6s
                                          test: 8278.2113479
         600:
                 learn: 7587.2289524
                                          test: 7937.6292392
                                                                   best: 7937.6292392 (600)
                                                                                                   total: 21.2s
                                                                                                                   remaining: 14.1s
         700:
                 learn: 7297.3198499
                                                                                                   total: 24.5s
                                                                                                                   remaining: 10.5s
                                          test: 7655.4965247
                                                                   best: 7655.4965247 (700)
                 learn: 7062.1845232
                                                                                                                   remaining: 7.1s
         800:
                                          test: 7428.3580842
                                                                   best: 7428.3580842 (800)
                                                                                                   total: 28.6s
         900:
                 learn: 6858.4402948
                                          test: 7235.7815428
                                                                   best: 7235.7815428 (900)
                                                                                                   total: 32.1s
                                                                                                                   remaining: 3.53s
         999:
                 learn: 6688.4540967
                                          test: 7068.3573609
                                                                   best: 7068.3573609 (999)
                                                                                                   total: 35.5s
                                                                                                                   remaining: Ous
         bestTest = 7068.357361
         bestIteration = 999
         Mean Squared Error: 49961675.876714684
         R-squared: 0.9049661575505681
         MAE: 4179.714786611311
```

### **Test**

```
In [57]: test['Date'] = pd.to_datetime(test.Date)
         test set = pd.merge(test,features, on=['Date','Store'],how='inner')
In [59]:
         test['Weekly Sales'] = np.nan
         test.head()
In [60]:
Out[60]:
                             Date IsHoliday Weekly_Sales
            Store Dept
                     1 2012-11-02
                                      False
                                                   NaN
          0
                     1 2012-11-09
                                      False
                                                  NaN
          2
               1
                     1 2012-11-16
                                      False
                                                  NaN
                     1 2012-11-23
               1
                                      True
                                                   NaN
                     1 2012-11-30
          4
               1
                                      False
                                                  NaN
         test_set['Week_of_Year'] = train_set['Date'].dt.isocalendar().week
In [61]:
In [62]: test_set.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 115064 entries, 0 to 115063
         Data columns (total 15 columns):
          #
              Column
                           Non-Null Count
                                            Dtype
              -----
                           -----
                                            ----
              Store
                           115064 non-null int64
          1
              Dept
                           115064 non-null int64
          2
              Date
                           115064 non-null datetime64[ns]
          3
              IsHoliday
                           115064 non-null bool
             Weekly Sales 0 non-null
                                            float64
              Temperature
                           115064 non-null float64
              Fuel Price
                           115064 non-null float64
          7
             MarkDown1
                           115064 non-null float64
              MarkDown2
                           115064 non-null float64
              MarkDown3
                           115064 non-null float64
             MarkDown4
                           115064 non-null float64
          11 MarkDown5
                           115064 non-null float64
                           115064 non-null float64
          12 CPI
          13 Unemployment 115064 non-null float64
          14 Week of Year 115064 non-null UInt32
         dtypes: UInt32(1), bool(1), datetime64[ns](1), float64(10), int64(2)
         memory usage: 12.1 MB
         test set.drop('Weekly Sales',axis=1,inplace=True)
In [63]:
         test set.set index('Date', inplace= True)
         test set.head()
In [65]:
```

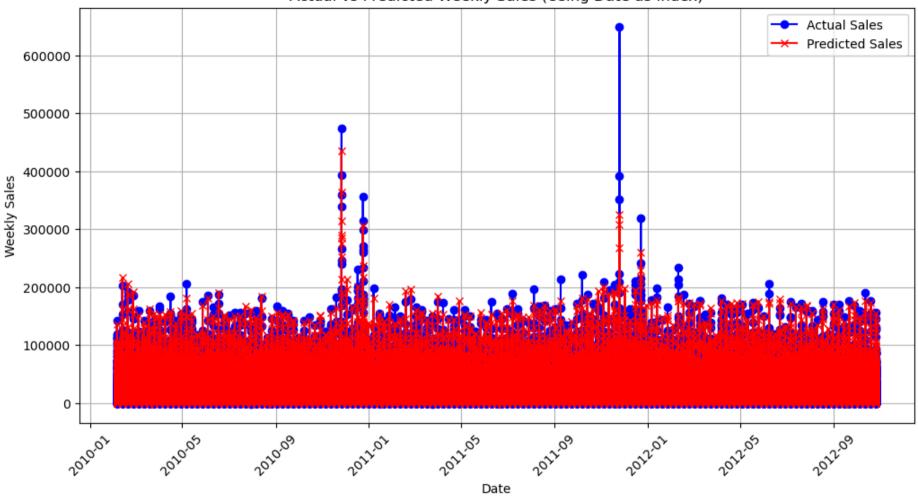
ut[65]:		Store	Dept	IsHoliday	Temperature	Fuel_Price	MarkDown1	MarkDown2	MarkDown3	MarkDown4	MarkDown5	CPI	Unemployment
_	Date												
	2012- 11-02	1	1	False	55.32	3.386	6766.44	5147.7	50.82	3639.9	2737.42	223.462779	6.573
	2012- 11-02	1	2	False	55.32	3.386	6766.44	5147.7	50.82	3639.9	2737.42	223.462779	6.573
	2012- 11-02	1	3	False	55.32	3.386	6766.44	5147.7	50.82	3639.9	2737.42	223.462779	6.573
	2012- 11-02	1	4	False	55.32	3.386	6766.44	5147.7	50.82	3639.9	2737.42	223.462779	6.573
	2012- 11-02	1	5	False	55.32	3.386	6766.44	5147.7	50.82	3639.9	2737.42	223.462779	6.573
						L/+++	`						
n [66]:	test_s	set['P	red_Sa	ales'] = m	lodel.predict	t(test_set	)						
	test_s			ales'] = m	odel.predic	t(test_set	)						
		set.he	ad()		Temperature			MarkDown2	MarkDown3	MarkDown4	MarkDown5	СРІ	Unemployment
n [67]:		set.he	ad()					MarkDown2	MarkDown3	MarkDown4	MarkDown5	СРІ	Unemployment
n [67]:	test_s	set.he	ad()					MarkDown2	MarkDown3	<b>MarkDown4</b> 3639.9		<b>CPI</b> 223.462779	Unemployment
n [67]:	test_s  Date  2012-	Store	ad() Dept	IsHoliday	Temperature	Fuel_Price	MarkDown1				2737.42		
n [67]:	Date 2012- 11-02 2012-	Store	ad()  Dept	<b>IsHoliday</b> False	Temperature	Fuel_Price	MarkDown1 6766.44	5147.7	50.82	3639.9	2737.42 2737.42	223.462779	6.573
n [67]:	Date  2012- 11-02 2012- 11-02 2012-	Store  1	ad()  Dept  1	<b>IsHoliday</b> False False	<b>Temperature</b> 55.32	3.386 3.386	MarkDown1 6766.44 6766.44	5147.7 5147.7	50.82 50.82	3639.9 3639.9	2737.42 2737.42 2737.42	223.462779 223.462779	6.573 6.573

```
columns = ['Pred Sales'] + [col for col in test set.columns if col != 'Pred Sales']
          test set = test set[columns]
In [69]:
          test set.head()
                 Pred Sales Store Dept IsHoliday Temperature Fuel Price MarkDown1 MarkDown2 MarkDown3 MarkDown4 MarkDown5
Out[69]:
                                                                                                                                             CPI Uner
           Date
          2012-
                 26928.2836
                                                                                                        50.82
                                                                                                                              2737.42 223.462779
                                            False
                                                         55.32
                                                                   3.386
                                                                             6766.44
                                                                                          5147.7
                                                                                                                   3639.9
          11-02
          2012-
                 50131.9323
                                     2
                                                         55.32
                                                                   3.386
                                                                                          5147.7
                                                                                                        50.82
                                                                                                                   3639.9
                                                                                                                              2737.42 223.462779
                                            False
                                                                             6766.44
          11-02
          2012-
                 11056.9892
                                     3
                                            False
                                                         55.32
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                                                                                          5147.7
                                                                                                        50.82
                                                                                                                   3639.9
                                                                                                                              2737.42 223.462779
          11-02
          2012-
                 39948.3094
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                                            False
                                                         55.32
                                                                   3.386
                                                                             6766.44
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          11-02
          2012-
                 23063.3633
                                     5
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                                                                                                        50.82
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                                            False
                                                         55.32
                                                                   3.386
                                                                             6766.44
                                                                                                                   3639.9
                                                                                                                              2737.42 223.462779
          11-02
          import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
In [71]:
          import pandas as pd
          # Assuming you already have `y val` (actual sales) and `y pred` (predicted sales from your model)
          # And that the `Date` column is set as the index.
          # Create a DataFrame to hold the actual sales and predicted sales for plotting
          result df = pd.DataFrame({
               'Actual Sales': y val,
               'Predicted Sales': v pred
          }, index=X val.index) # Use the index (which is Date)
          # Sort the result DataFrame by Date to visualize trends chronologically
          result df = result df.sort index()
```

### **Actual vs Predicted Sales over time**

```
In [72]: # Plot actual vs predicted sales over time
         plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
         # Plot actual sales
         plt.plot(result df.index, result df['Actual Sales'], label='Actual Sales', marker='o', color='blue')
         # Plot predicted sales
         plt.plot(result df.index, result df['Predicted Sales'], label='Predicted Sales', marker='x', color='red')
         # Add labels and title
          plt.xlabel('Date')
         plt.ylabel('Weekly Sales')
         plt.title('Actual vs Predicted Weekly Sales (Using Date as Index)')
         plt.legend()
         # Rotate the x-axis labels for better readability
         plt.xticks(rotation=45)
         # Add a grid for easier interpretation
         plt.grid(True)
         # Show the plot
         plt.show()
```

### Actual vs Predicted Weekly Sales (Using Date as Index)



```
In [73]: # Calculate residuals (Actual - Predicted)
    result_df['Residual'] = result_df['Actual_Sales'] - result_df['Predicted_Sales']

# Plot the residuals as bars
    plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))

# Plot residuals as bars
    plt.bar(result_df.index, result_df['Residual'], label='Residual (Actual - Predicted)', color='green', alpha=0.5)

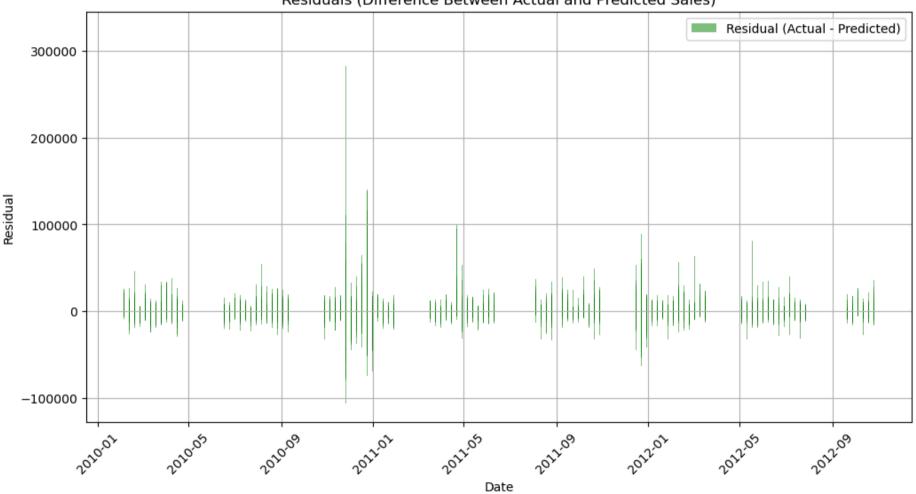
# Add labels and title
```

```
plt.xlabel('Date')
plt.ylabel('Residual')
plt.title('Residuals (Difference Between Actual and Predicted Sales)')
plt.legend()

# Rotate the x-axis Labels for readability
plt.xticks(rotation=45)

# Show the grid and plot
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```

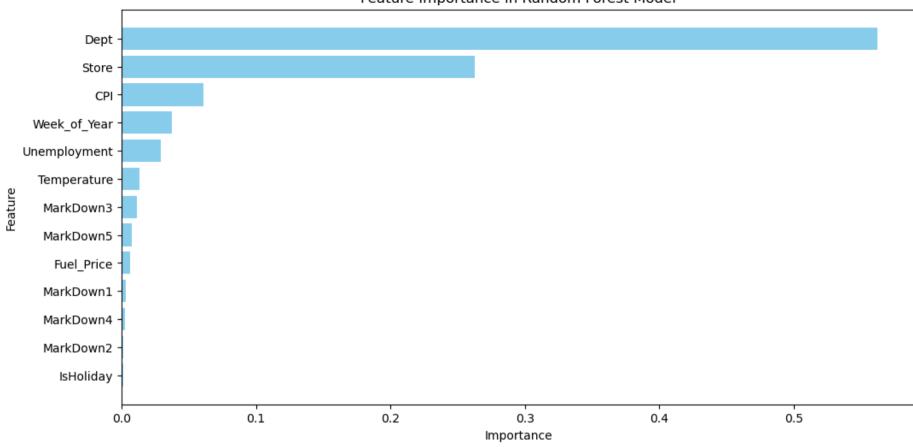
### Residuals (Difference Between Actual and Predicted Sales)



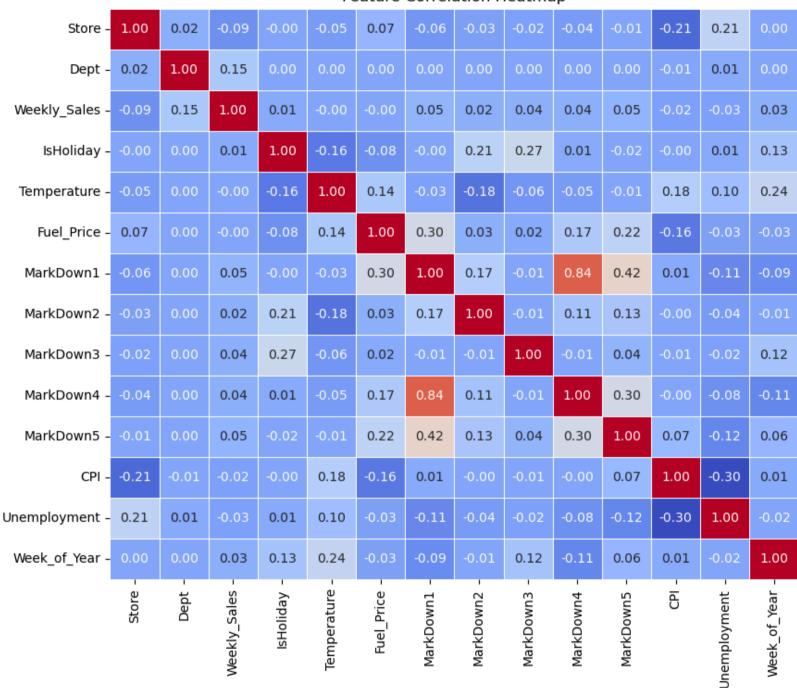
### **Feature Importance**

```
# Get feature importance from the model
In [75]:
         importances = model.feature importances
         # Create a DataFrame for better visualization
         feature importance df = pd.DataFrame({
              'Feature': X train.columns, # Use the feature names
              'Importance': importances
         })
         # Sort the DataFrame by importance
         feature importance df = feature importance df.sort values(by='Importance', ascending=False)
         # Display the top features
         print(feature importance df.head(10))
                  Feature Importance
         1
                     Dept
                             0.562048
         0
                    Store
                             0.262498
         10
                      CPI
                             0.061139
         12 Week of Year
                             0.037682
         11 Unemployment
                             0.029255
              Temperature
                             0.013583
         7
                MarkDown3
                             0.011101
         9
                MarkDown5
                             0.007657
               Fuel Price
                             0.006467
         5
                MarkDown1
                             0.003180
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
In [76]:
         # Plot feature importance
         plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
         plt.barh(feature importance df['Feature'], feature importance df['Importance'], color='skyblue')
         plt.xlabel('Importance')
         plt.ylabel('Feature')
         plt.title('Feature Importance in Random Forest Model')
         plt.gca().invert yaxis() # To display the highest importance at the top
         plt.show()
```

### Feature Importance in Random Forest Model



#### Feature Correlation Heatmap



1.0

- 0.8

- 0.6

- 0.4

- 0.2

0.0

- -0.2