

Predicting Bicycle Demand by Incorporating Station-Specific Spatial Features in a Graph Convolutional Networks Model

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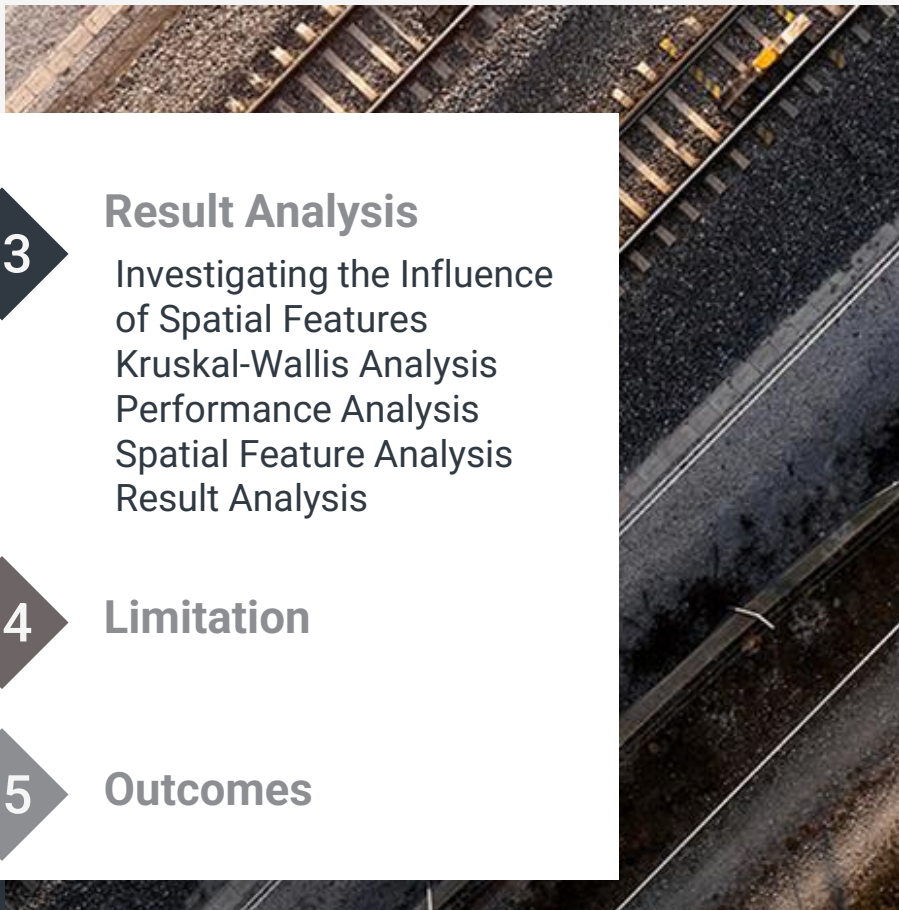
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Introduction

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Selection of topics

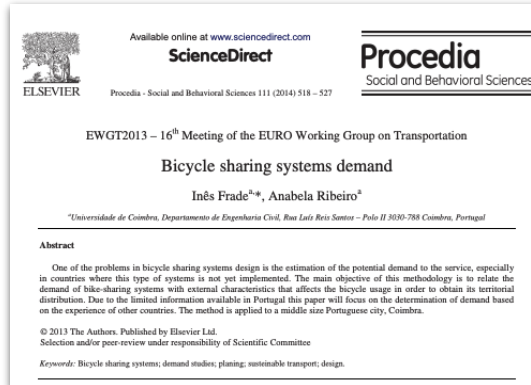


Predict the bike rental rate

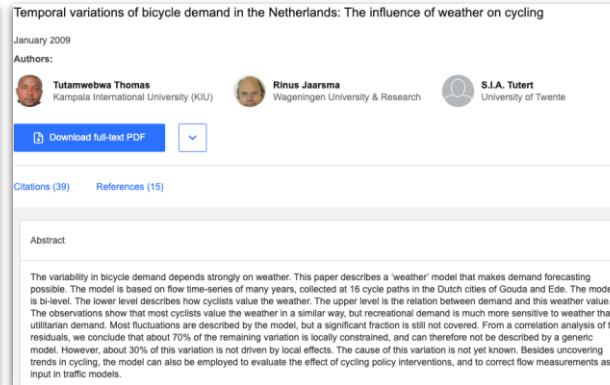


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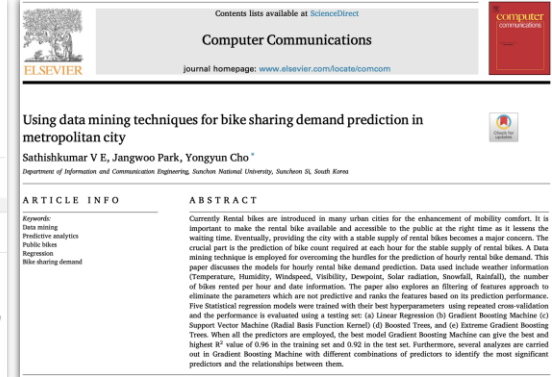
Previous research : Spatio-temporal properties



weather, time
Multi Regression



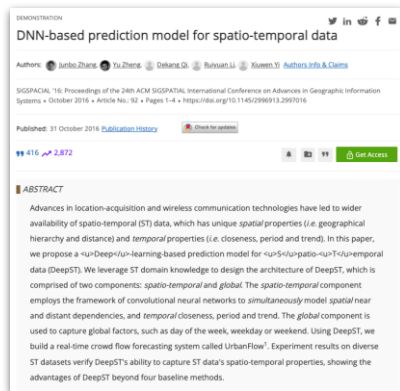
weather, time, location(purpose)
Multi Regression



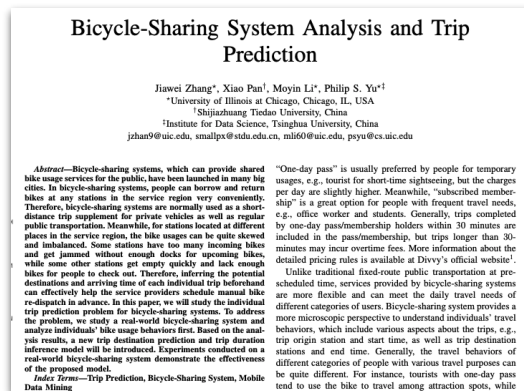
weather
LM, GBM, SVM, BT, XGBTree

History of our doing

Previous research : Deep Learning approaches



CNN



ResNet

History of our doing

Previous research : Graph Convolutional Network(GCN)

RESEARCH ARTICLE

Graph convolutional network approach applied to predict hourly bike-sharing demands considering spatial, temporal, and global effects

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Abstract

Solving the supply-demand imbalance is the most crucial issue for stable implementation of a public bike-sharing system. This gap can be reduced by increasing the accuracy of demand prediction by considering spatial and temporal properties of bike demand. However, only a few attempts have been made to account for both features simultaneously. Therefore, we propose a prediction framework based on graph convolutional networks. Our framework reflects not only spatial dependencies among stations, but also various temporal patterns over different periods. Additionally, we consider the influence of global variables, such as weather and weekday/weekend to reflect non-station-level changes. We compare our framework to other baseline models using the data from Seoul's bike-sharing system. Results show that our approach has better performance than existing prediction models.

Structure : Node & Edge

Data : Diverse spatial features & Various temporal patterns

Consider : global variables such as weather and weekdays

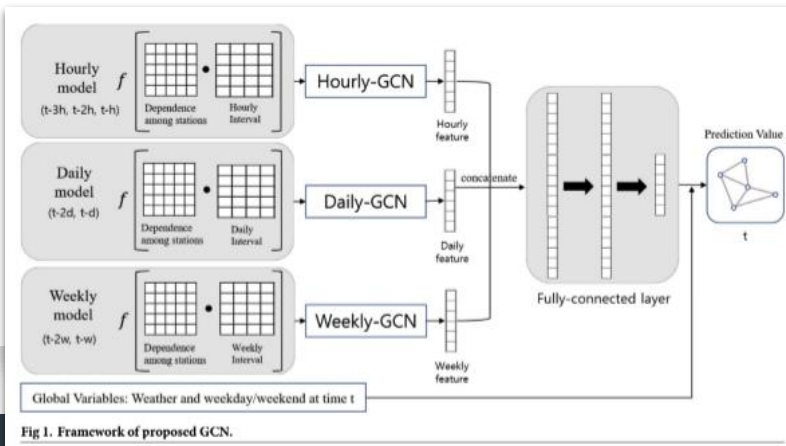


Fig 1. Framework of proposed GCN.

History of our doing

Previous research : Graph Convolutional Network(GCN)

Limitation & Differentiation

History of our doing

Project Goal

Using the **GCN-pro** model trained on **spatial**, **temporal**, and **historical rental data**, predict the **demand for each bike-sharing station**

History of our doing

Data : Collecting (Usage information)

Data	Feature	Data type	Information
Public Bicycle Usage Information	Rental Station Number	int64	The identification number of the rental station
	Return Station Number	object	The identification number of the return station

History of our doing

Data : Collecting (Spatial data)

Data	Feature	Data type	Information
Spatial data	Number of nearby bus stops	int64	Number of bus stops within 500m
	Number of nearby subway stations	int64	Number of subway stations within 500m
	Number of nearby schools	int64	Number of schools within 500m
	Number of nearby apartment households	int64	Number of apartment households within 500m
	Number of nearby cultural facilities	int64	Number of cultural facilities within 500m
	Number of nearby universities	int64	Number of universities within 500m
	Number of nearby large academies	int64	Number of large academies within 500m

History of our doing

(A) Urban area
(B) Riverside area

Data	Feature	Data type	Information
Spatial data	(A) Non-segregated shared road	int64	Road shared by bicycles and other vehicles without a designated separation
	(A) Bicycle-exclusive road	int64	Road exclusively designated for bicycles
	(A) Segregated shared road	int64	Road shared by bicycles and other vehicles with a designated separation
	(A) Bicycle-exclusive lane	int64	A lane exclusively designated for bicycles within a road
	(B) Bicycle-exclusive road	int64	Road exclusively designated for bicycles
	(B) Segregated shared road	int64	Road shared by bicycles and other vehicles with a designated separation
	(B) Non-segregated shared road	int64	Road shared by bicycles and other vehicles without a designated separation
	(A) Bicycle priority road	int64	Road where bicycles have priority over other vehicles

History of our doing

Data : Collecting (Time series data)

Data	Feature	Data type	Information
Time series data	Precipitation (mm)	float	The amount of water, in millimeters, that falls as rain or snow during a specific period
	Maximum Temperature (°C)	float	The highest temperature recorded during a given period
	Average Temperature (°C)	float	The mean temperature calculated over a specific timeframe
	Minimum Temperature (°C)	float	The lowest temperature observed within a designated period
	Diurnal Range	float	The difference between the maximum and minimum temperatures in a single day

History of our doing

Data : Collecting (Time series data)

Data	Feature	Data type	Information
Time series data	Average Humidity (%rh)	float	The mean level of moisture in the air, expressed as a percentage of relative humidity
	Sunshine Duration (%)	float	The percentage of time during which the sun is visible within a specified timeframe
	Average Wind Speed (m/s)	float	The mean speed of the wind measured in meters per second
	Maximum Wind Speed (m/s)	float	The highest wind speed recorded during a specific period

History of our doing

Data : Preprocessing

Usage information

Make adjacency matrix

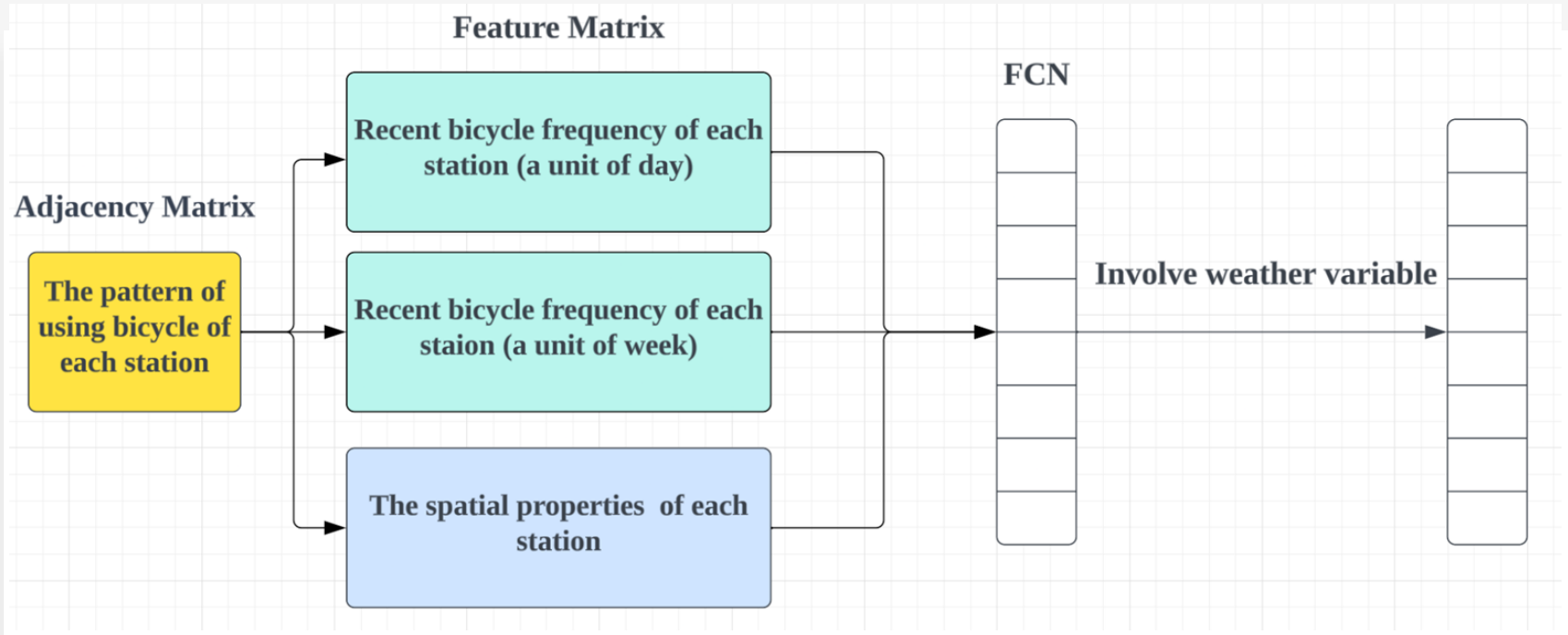
Spatial data

Count the number of data points
within 500 meters by verifying
latitude and longitude

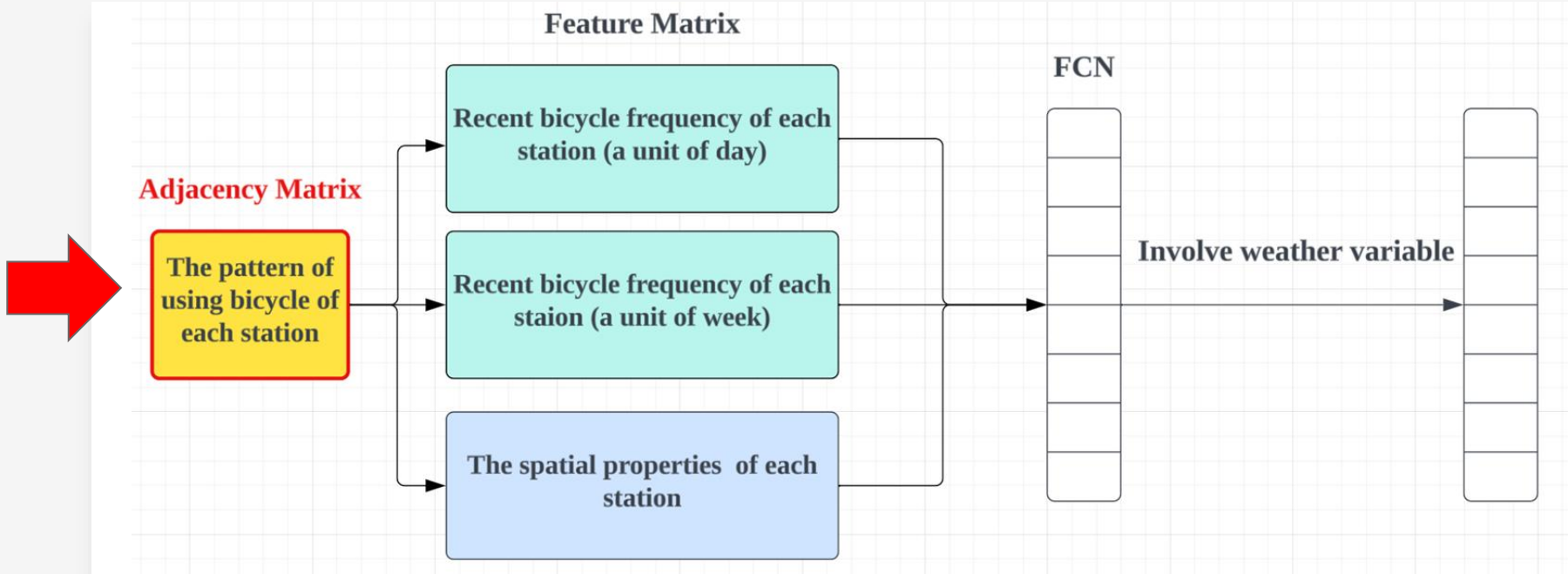
Time series data

Organize the data on a daily
basis with Seoul as the
reference point

Our Proposed Framework - GCN-pro



1. Construction of Adjacency Matrix



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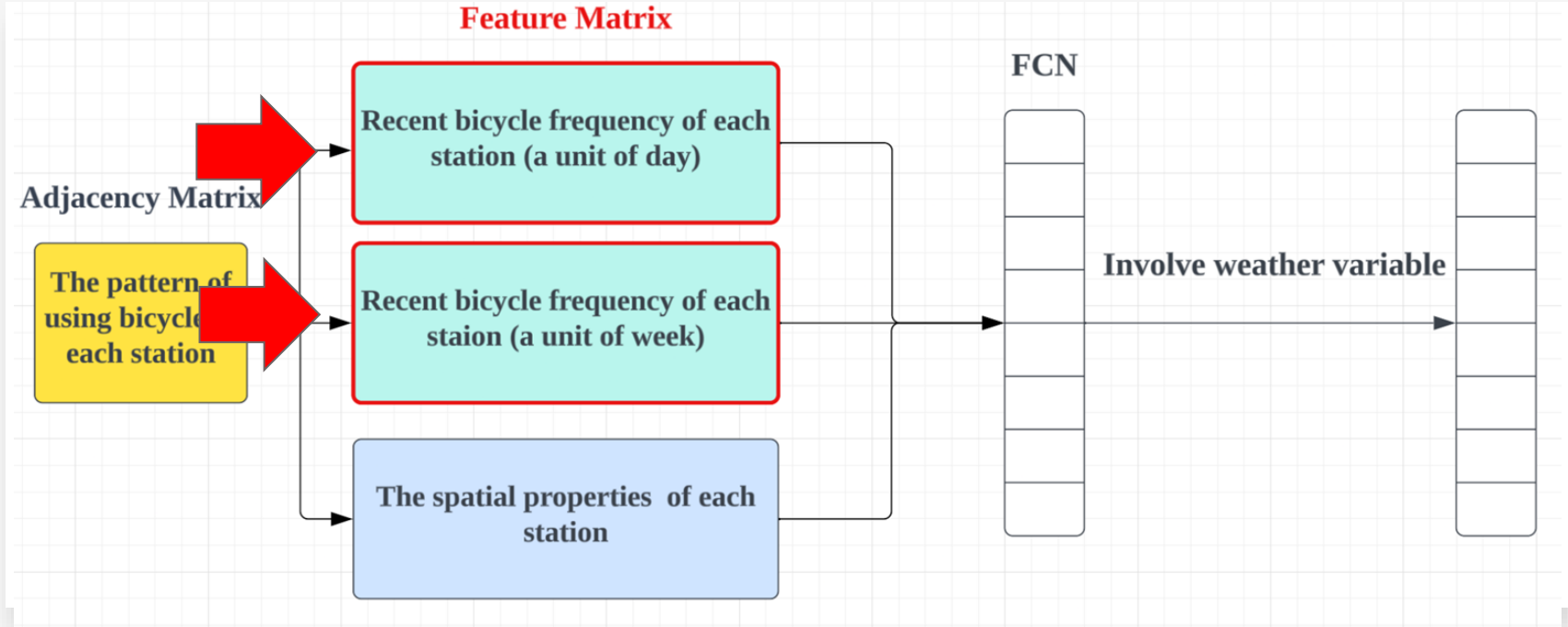
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105	320.0	321.0	152.0	765.0	336.0
106	847.0	1243.0	195.0	332.0	2916.0
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	102	103	104	105	106
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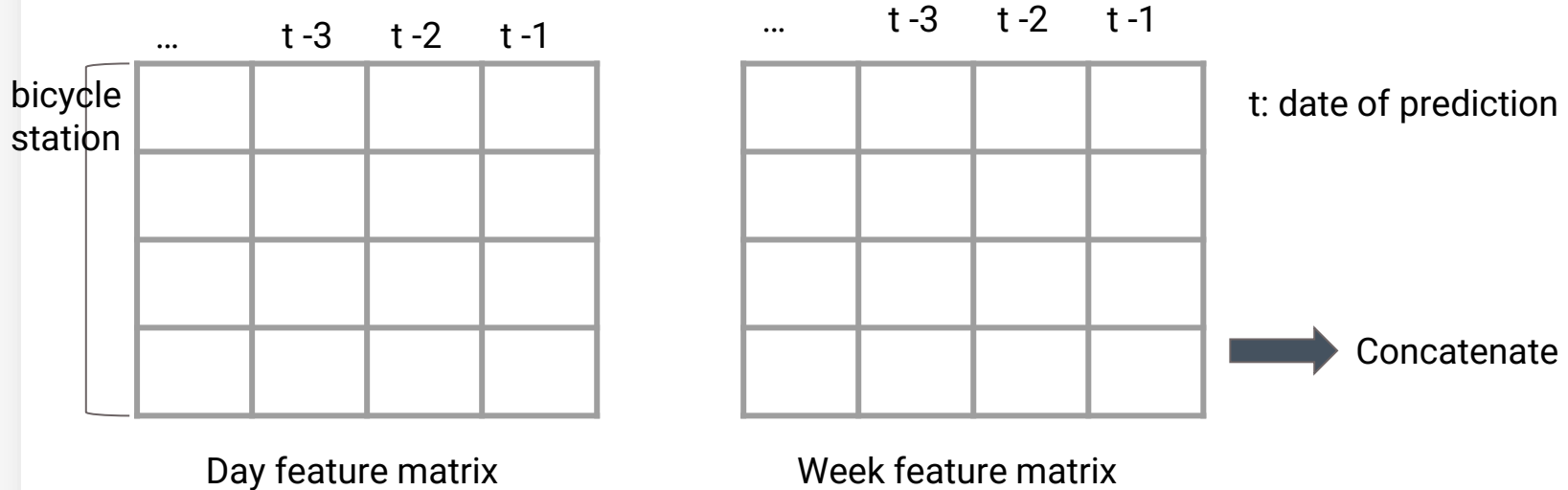
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2. Construction of Temporal Rental Activity Matrix

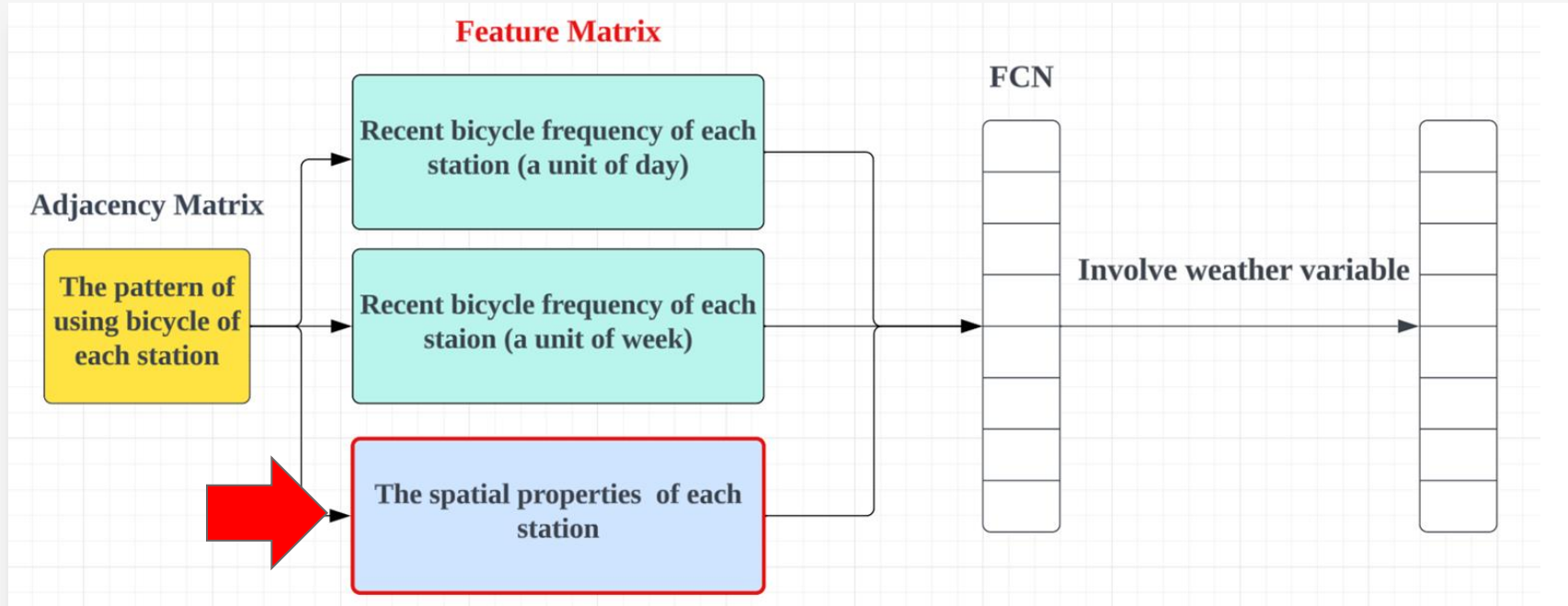


2. Construction of Temporal Rental Activity Matrix

Structure of previous rental matrix



3. Formation of Spatial Matrix Representation



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4	307	25	1	7	150	20	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	7
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2719 rows × 16 columns

Goal of our project

Task	Description	Details
1	Optimize Hyperparameters	GCN-PRO, XGBoost, LSTM, ARIMA
2	Feature Selection	Investigate the importance of variables using recursive feature elimination
3	Data-driven Decision Making	Validating applicability with 2023 data
4	Analyze Results	Compare which rentals GCN predicts poorly and which it predicts well
5	Journal	Plan to submit a paper to the PLOS ONE journal website

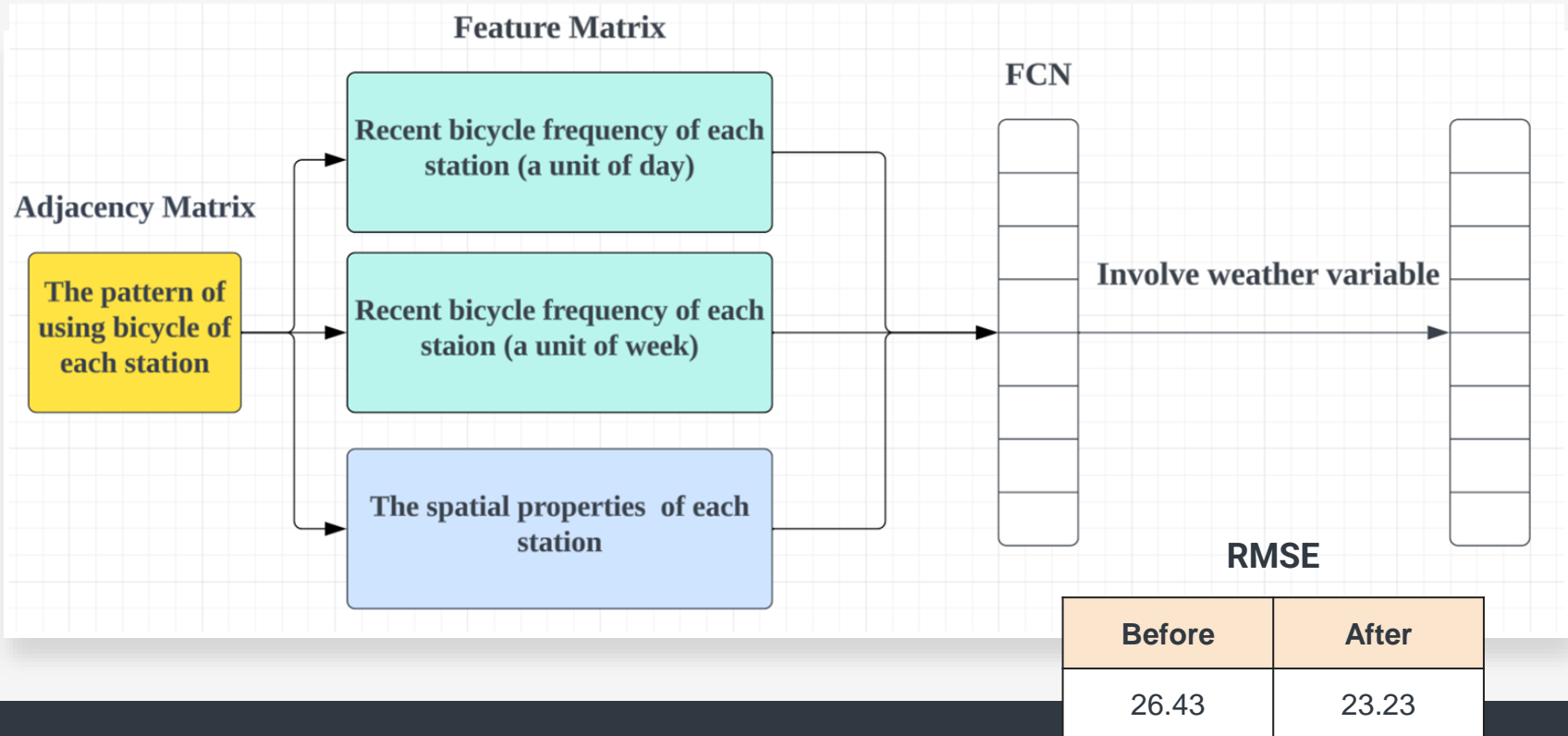


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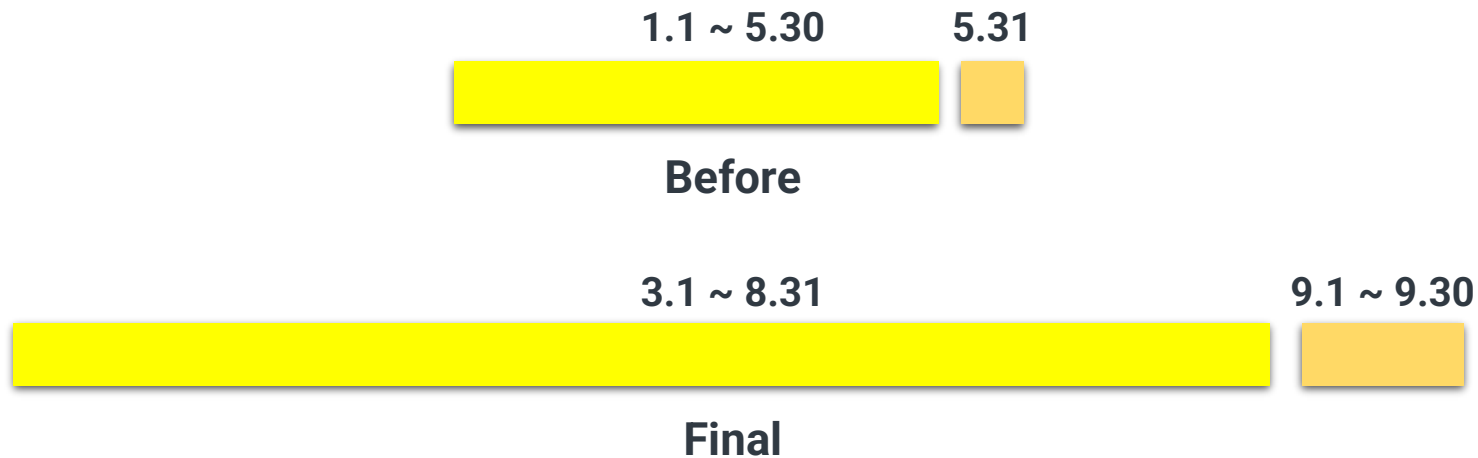
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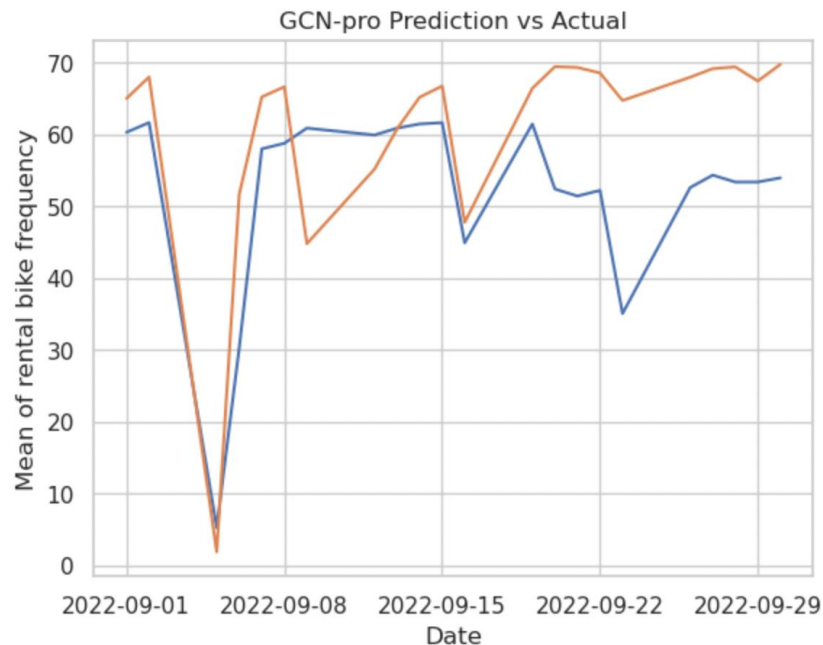
1. Revised Proposed Framework - GCN-pro



2. Transition of Training and Testing Datasets



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RMSE

14.65

Orange: Prediction value
Blue : Actual value

3. Investigating the Influence of Spatial Features

1. Divide 4 groups by the number of spatial feature

→ Investigate the difference of each group

q1

q2

q3

q4

2. Null hypothesis:

→ There is no difference in volume in groups with
different
number of spatial characteristics



Kruskal-Wallis Analysis, $p\text{-value} < 0.05$

3. Investigating the Influence of Spatial Features

Result

Spatial Feature	p - value
인근 버스정류장 개수	7.72e-18
인근 지하철역 개수	7.74e-15
인근 학교 수	0.01
인근 아파트 세대수	0.04
인근 문화시설 수	0.30
인근 대학교 개수	0.83
인근 대형학원 개수	0.18

(A)비분리형 겸용도로	4.66e-08
(A)자전거 전용도로	1.86e-24
(A)분리형 겸용도로	0.0003
(A)자전거 전용차로	6.15e-05
(B)자전거 전용도로	1.55e-05
(B)분리형 겸용도로	0.001
(B)비분리형 겸용도로	0.46
(A)자전거 우선도로	7.29e-10

3. Investigating the Influence of Spatial Features

Result

	Before	After
Significant Features(11)	O	O
Non-significant features(4)	O	X
RMSE	23.45	14.65

4. Hyperparameter tuning of GCN-pro

Hyperparameter	Combination
GCN hidden layer	(0, 2)
FCN hidden layer	2
과거 일별 대여량	(3, 4, 5)
과거 주별 대여량	(1 ~ 3)
Learning rate	(0.01, 0.05, 0.001)
Weight decay	(0, 5e-4, 5e-5)
epoch	(300, 400, 500)

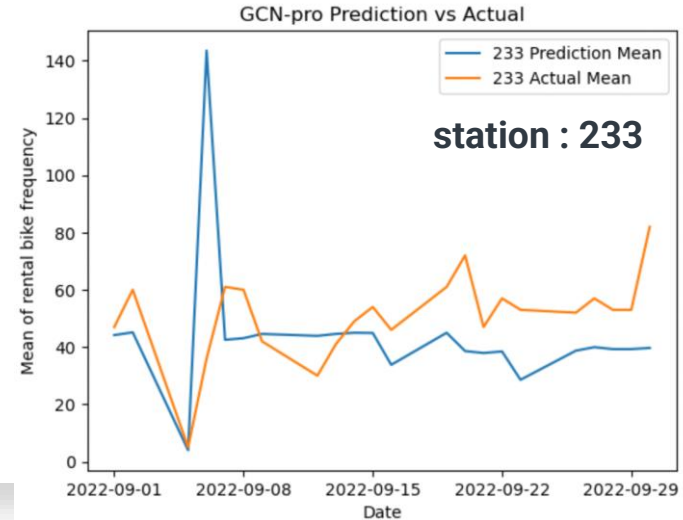
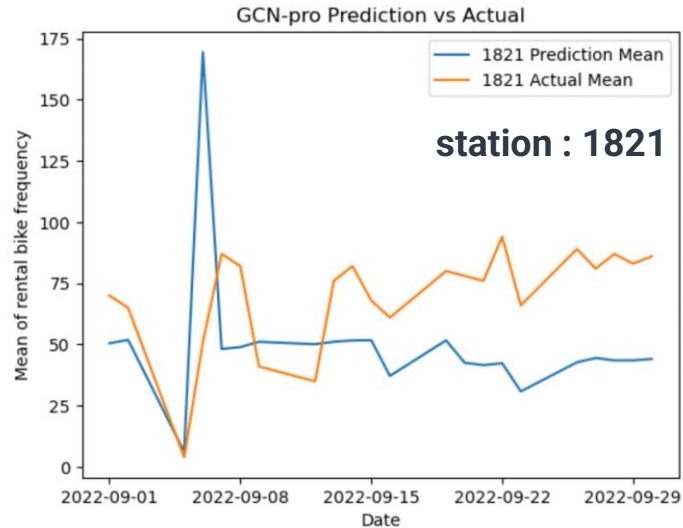


Hyperparameter	Best Combination
GCN hidden layer	2
FCN hidden layer	2
과거 일별 대여량	3
과거 주별 대여량	4
Learning rate	0.001
Weight decay	0
epoch	300

+ Precipitation, Average Temperature

5. Prediction by station - level

Loss function: Calculate the mean of station error →
Calculate the each station error



6. Hyperparameter tuning of Comparative model

LSTM

Hyper parameter	Combination	Best combination
n hidden features	(10, 20, 30)	20
num_layers	(1, 2, 3)	3
dropout	(0, 0.2, 0.5)	0
Learning rate	(1e-3, 1e-2, 1e-1)	1e-3
epoch	(300, 400, 500)	500

XGBoost

Hyper parameter	Combination	Best combination
max_depth	(6, 7, 8, 9)	7
n_estimators	(800,900,1000)	1000
gamma	(0.5, 0.7, 0.9)	0.5
Learning rate	(1e-3, 1e-2, 1e-1)	1e-3

ARIMA

Hyper parameter	Best combination
p	2
d	1
q	1

7. Comparative RMSE

Comparative table with each models

Model	GCN-pro	GCN-up	CNN	LSTM	XGBoost	ARIMA
RMSE	14.65	23.35	18.98	23.3	24.5	31.7

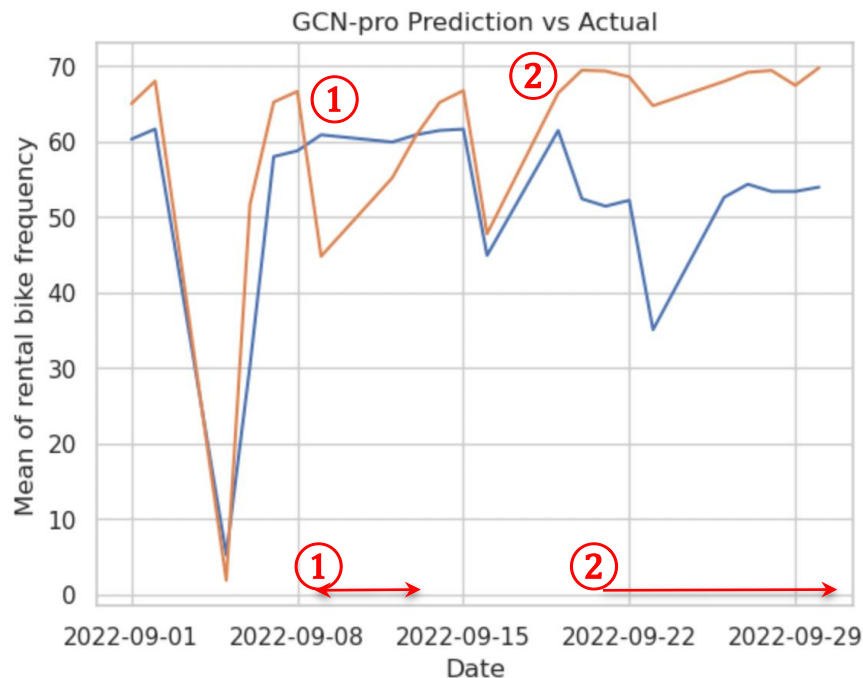


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Result Analysis

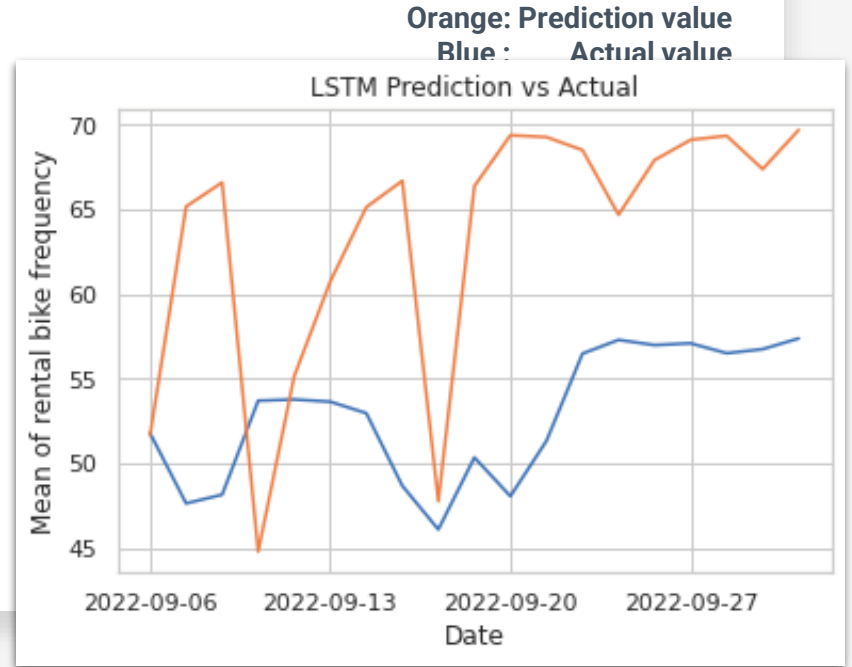
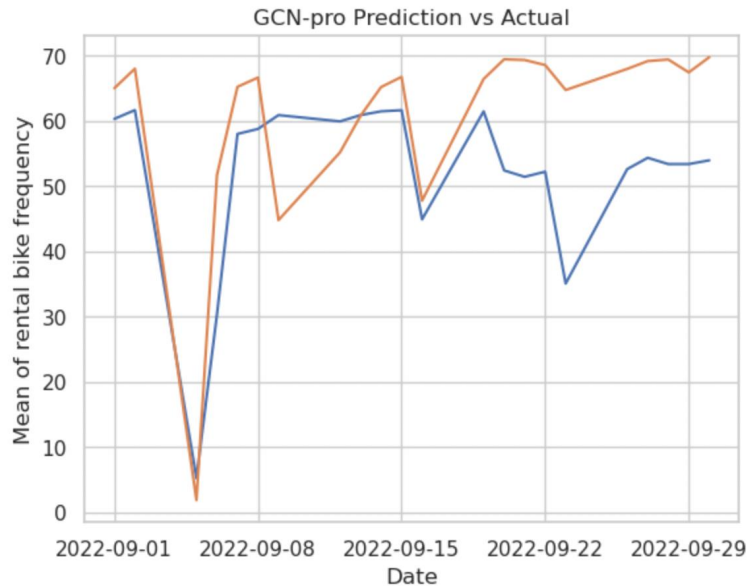
Performance Analysis
Spatial Feature Analysis
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GCN Performance Analysis

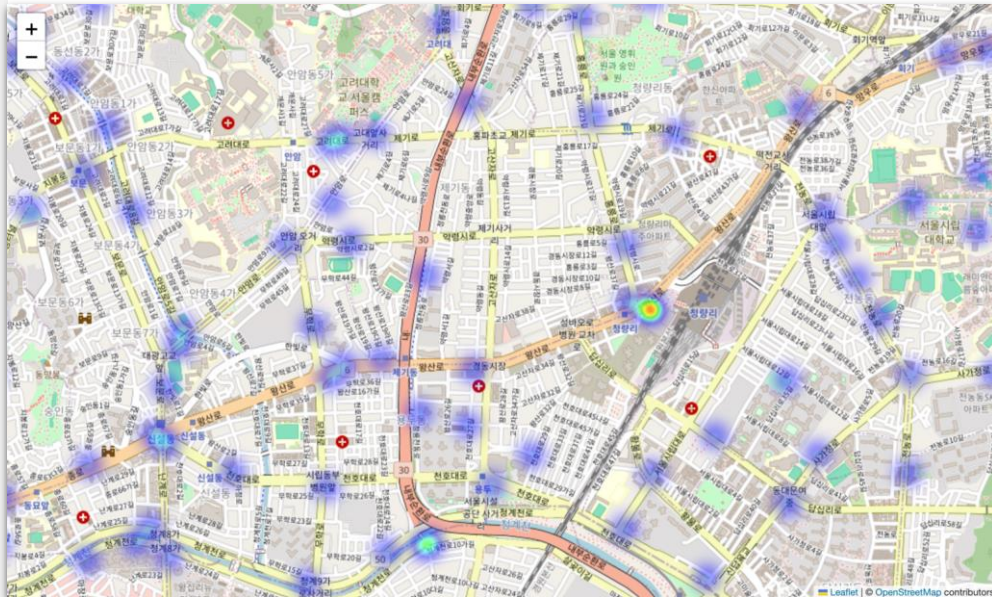


GCN Performance Analysis

Comparative with LSTM



Spatial Feature Analysis



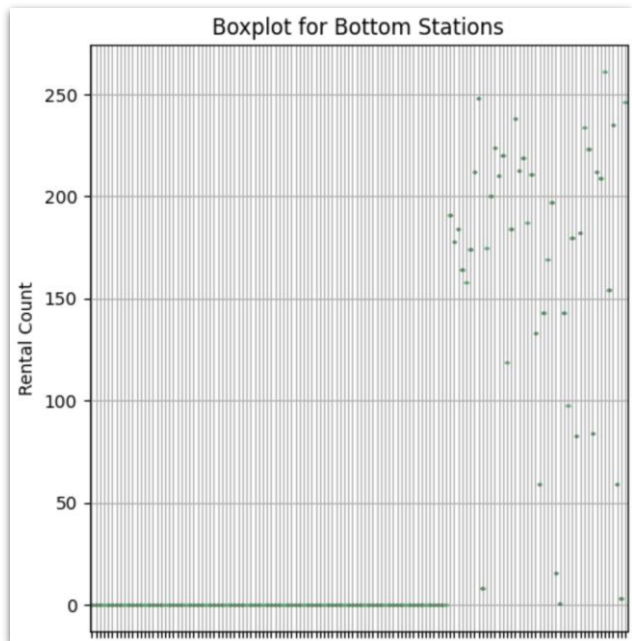
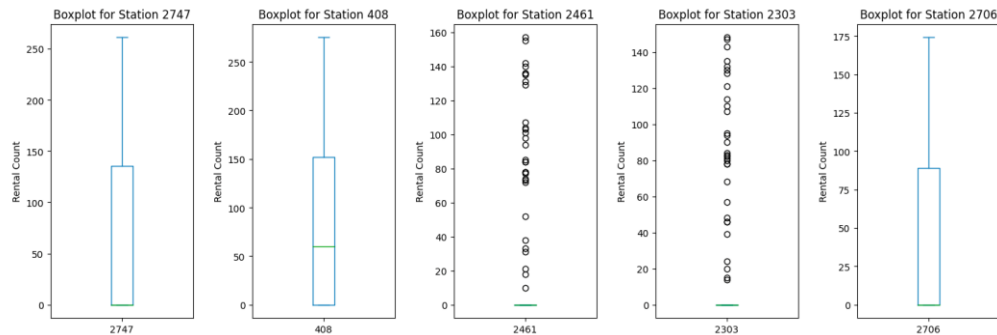
Heatmap of Seoul

In most cases, the actual RMSE values are relatively small, however, due to the map's scale, they overlap and appear significantly larger.

Result Analysis

Worst case

Bicycle rental station with the
highest average RMSE for
September





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Limitation

Limitation

1. Computational Cost

- Colab Pro, University Research Account(Prof)

2. Rental stations built in the middle of 2022(2747 etc)

Limitation

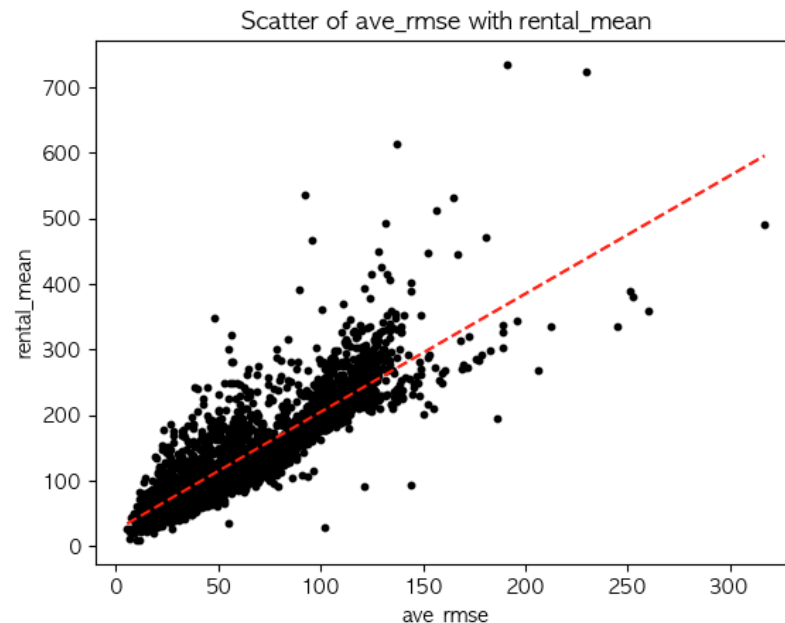
4. Correlation score

Correlation score : 0.85

→ **The rental quantity and RMSE exhibit a high linear similarity**



We plan to contribute to the paper by addressing this issue through scaling the rental quantity and resolving the scale accordingly



Correlation score : 0.851017940050293



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Outcomes

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Plos One(In Progress)

Predicting Bicycle Demand by Incorporating Station-Specific Spatial Features in a Graph Convolution Networks Model

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Abstract

The primary aim of this study is to predict daily bicycle rental volumes at each station, addressing supply-demand imbalances. Previous research has primarily focused on predicting rental volumes using weather data and historical patterns. Recent studies have shown improvements by incorporating graph data to model station relationships. However, the comprehensive characterization of node properties through graph data has been overlooked. Therefore, a new Graph Convolution Network is introduced, depicting spatial station traits. Each Seoul station is considered a node, revealing inter-station connections through rental records. Matrices are employed to define spatial traits and past rental patterns. The output, streamlined into a one-dimensional form, integrates weather variables into a Fully Connected Network (FCN) for efficient daily bicycle demand prediction, outperforming other models.

Keywords: Bicycle Demand Prediction, Bicycle Rental Network, Graph Convolution Network, Spatial Feature Matrix

1. INTRODUCTION

The burgeoning global interest in eco-friendly and healthy lifestyles has spurred a rise in demand for shared bicycle systems worldwide[8], highlighting the critical issue of supply-demand imbalances[10]. Traditional manual rebalancing methods, reliant on labor-intensive truck deployments, underscore the need for accurate demand prediction to mitigate these disparities. In Seoul, the rapid expansion of the public bicycle system, 'Tianrun', without proper demand analysis, has led to increased user dissatisfaction due to supply-demand mismatches, necessitating precise demand forecasting for effective bicycle station placement and public bicycle distribution.

The complexity of predicting bicycle demand stems from the non-uniformity of rental and return locations, requiring consideration of the interconnectivity between stations, especially when forecasting across all of Seoul's rental stations. Additionally, spatial factors such as nearby bicycle paths, transportation facilities, and residential areas must be integrated with demand and weather variables to accurately influence rental volumes.

In our study, a graph-based model has been constructed where Seoul's bicycle stations are nodes connected by edges representing rental volumes, capturing the complex inter-station relationships. This model, a Graph Convolutional Network (GCN), integrates spatial and temporal data, including weather conditions, into its input matrix for a holistic spatio-temporal analysis. Subsequently, a Fully Connected Network (FCN) leverages this integrated data to forecast daily rental demand with enhanced accuracy over traditional models.

In the realm of public bicycle demand prediction [5] have contributed significantly with their research on Graph Convolutional Neural Networks (GCNs). Their study introduced a framework that not only reflects various spatiotemporal characteristics but also considers the influence of global variables, demonstrating robustness against sudden environmental changes. Their model, particularly the GCN-UP variant, showed superior performance by emphasizing the impact of users' past usage patterns over mere geographical proximity. However, they acknowledged the limitation of their model to existing stations and highlighted the need for future research to extend the graph structure to new stations.

Building on the foundational work by Bruna et al [1] who first introduced the graph convolutional neural network concept in their spectral networks study, further developed this concept. They proposed a GCN framework tailored for hourly demand prediction of bike-sharing usage at the station level. Their innovative approach utilized two distinct graph structures: GCN-IDW and GCN-UP, to encapsulate different spatial properties and to benchmark performance against each other[9].

Additionally, the work of Defferrard et al. expanded



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