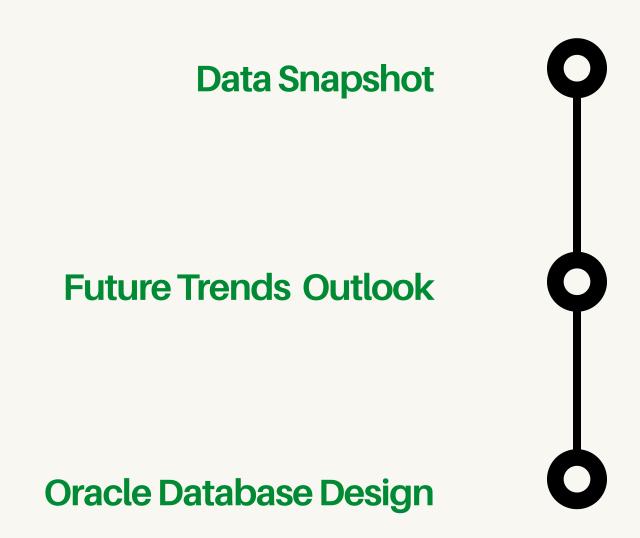


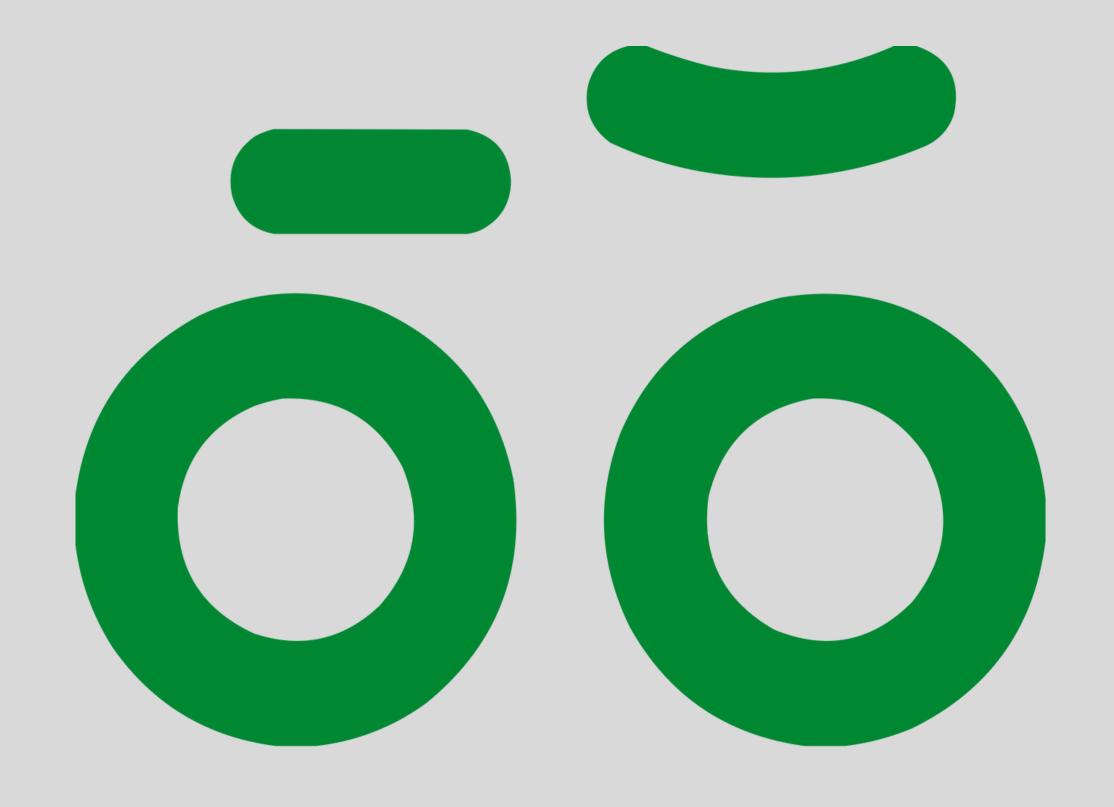
# Forecasting Bergen City Bike Demand

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## (Our Ride Plan)





Data Snapshot ->



## Most Popular Routes for 2024

- 1. Torgallmenningen → Nykirken
- 2. Nykirken → Torgallmenningen
- 3. Kronstad bybanestopp → Studentboligene
- 4. Torgallmenningen → C. Sundts gate
- 5. Busstasjonen 1 Nord → Møllendalsplass
- 6. C. Sundts gate → Torgallmenningen
- 7. Møllendalsplass → Busstasjonen 1 Nord
- 8. Thormøhlens gate → Florida Bybanestopp
- 9. Østre Murallmenningen nedre → C. Sundts gate
- 10. Torget → C. Sundts gate



#### Station Hubs 2024

#### **Least Popular Station Hubs**

Folke Bernadottesvei 38

Ortun Svømmehall

**Vestlund Borettslag** 

Dag Hammarskjöldsvei 73

**Lynghaug Borettslag** 

Ortustranden

Sælen

Lynghaugparken

Sælemyr busstopp

**Holtet Borettslag** 

#### **Top Station Hubs**

Torgallmenningen

Møllendalsplass

Nykirken

St. Jakobs Plass

C. Sundts gate

**Busstasjonen 1 Nord** 

Damsgårdsveien 71

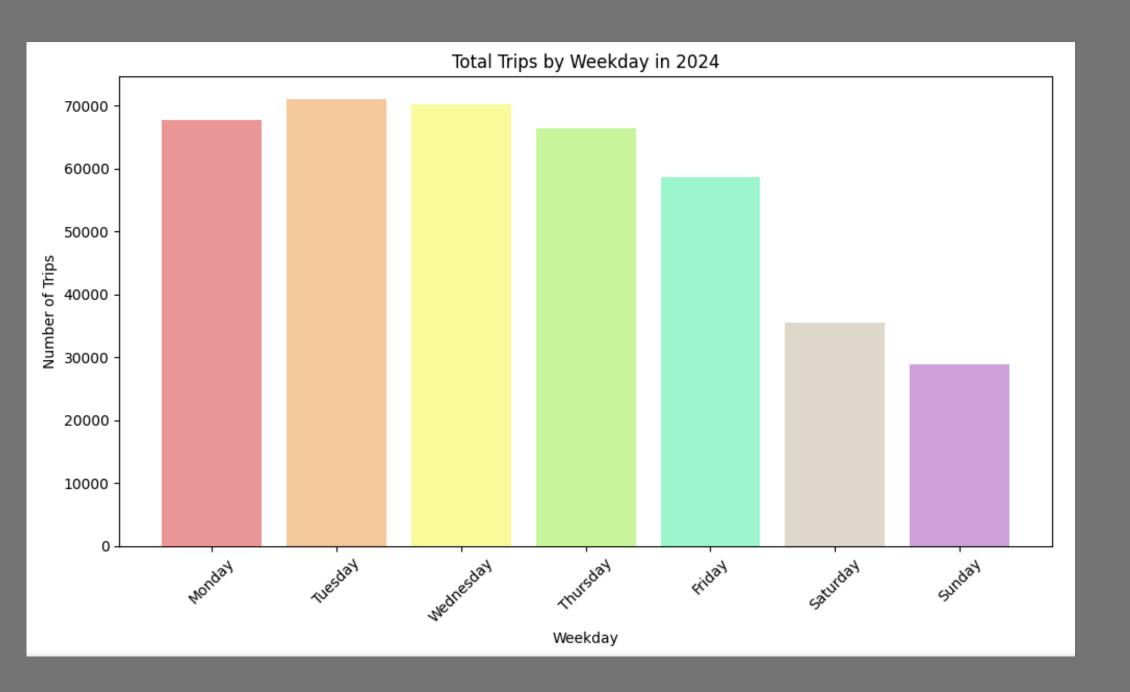
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**Kronstad bybanestopp** 

Florida Bybanestopp

### Popular Ride Times (2024) →

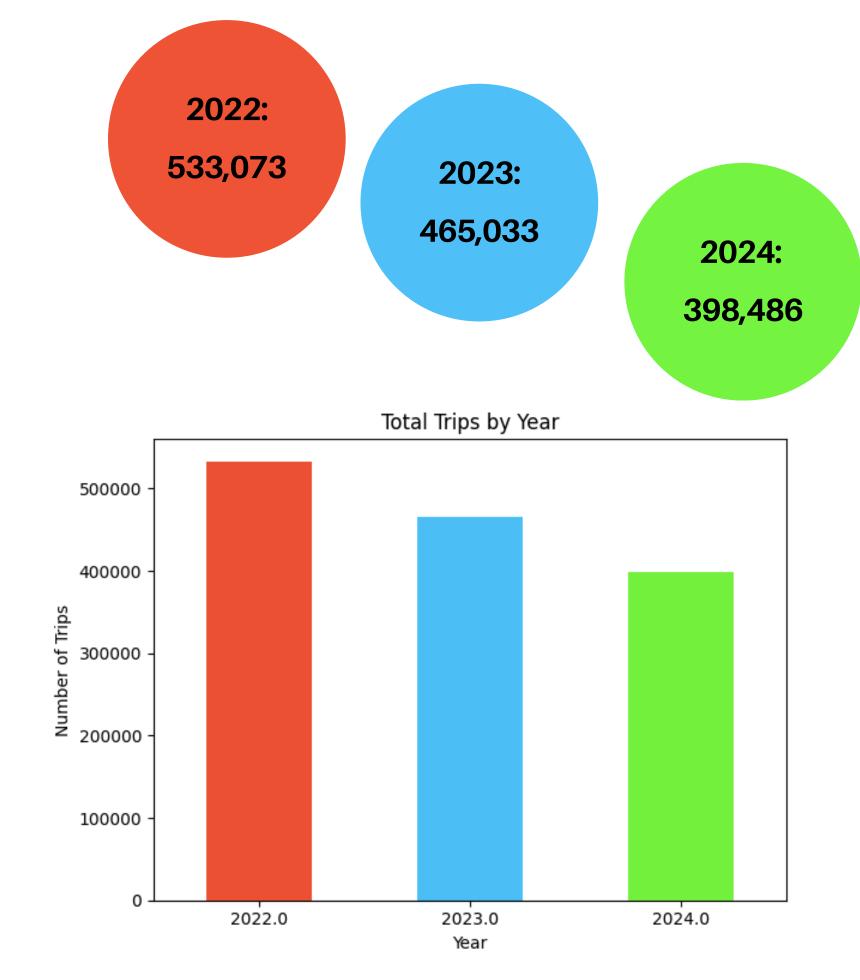
Peak Hours	Time of Day	Low Hours	Time of Day
7	7:00 AM	0	12:00 AM
8	8:00 AM	1	1:00 AM
14	2:00 PM	2	2:00 AM
15	3:00 PM	3	3:00 AM
16	4:00 PM	4	4:00 AM
17	5:00 PM	5	5:00 AM



## Bike Usage by Day of Week

Days with the most riders are Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Weekends have less riders than weekdays.



## Yearly Ride Comparison

Rides are down 14.29% from 2023 to 2024.

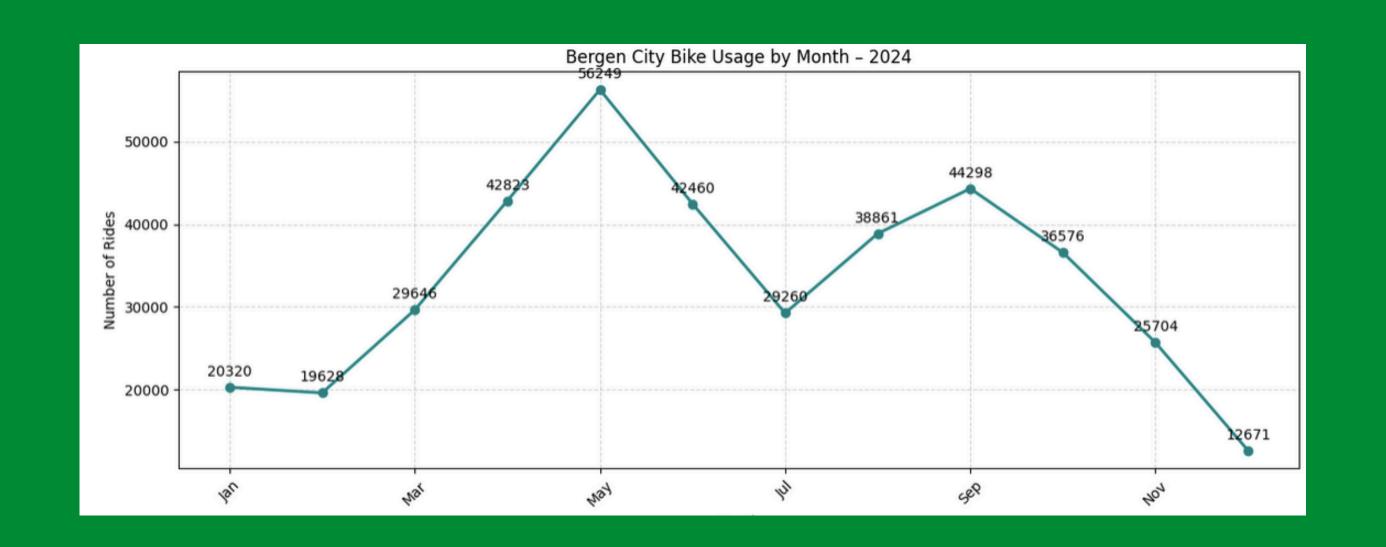
## Rides by Month (2024)

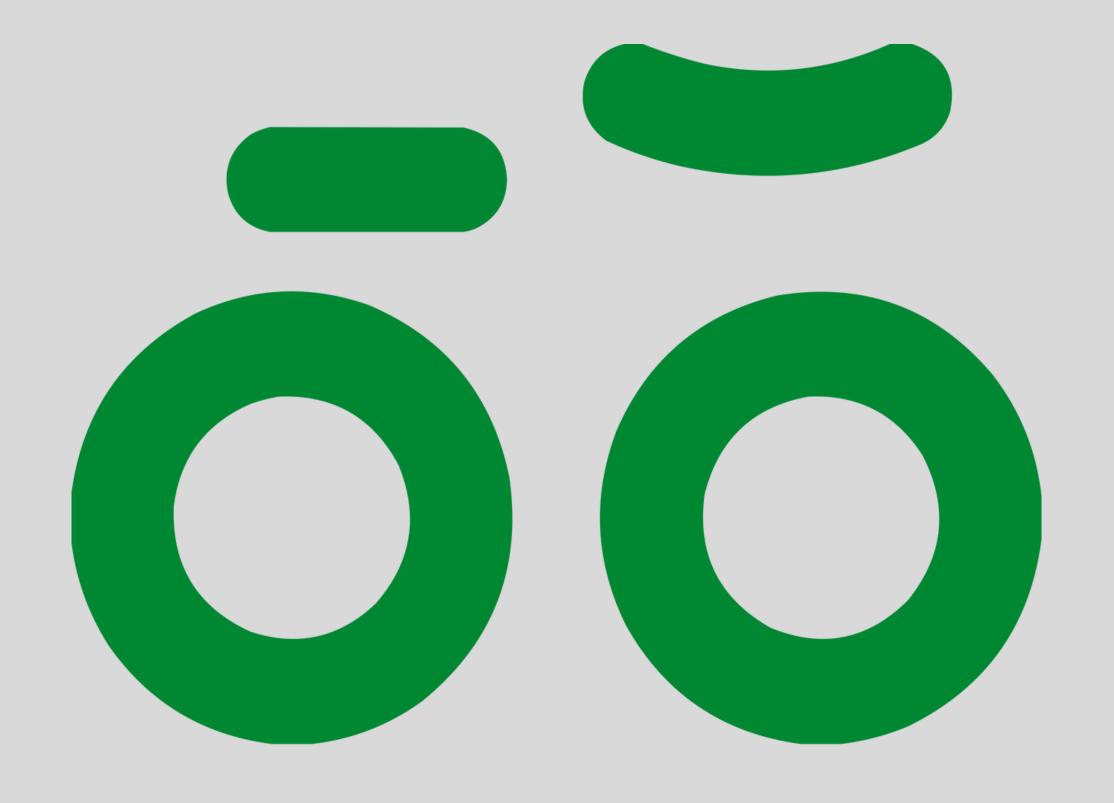
#### Months with the most rides:

- May
- September
- April
- June

#### Months with the least rides:

- December
- January
- February
- October





Future Trends ->

## (12 Month Forecast with Prophet Model Implementation Overview)

Using the Prophet time series model, I forecasted monthly ride volumes through 2025. The model incorporates seasonality, holiday effects, and a custom regressor for weekday density — which helps account for calendar-driven fluctuations in demand.

Ran grid search across 60 parameter combinations

Added Norwegian holidays & weekend ratio to model

Selected best parameters based on lowest MAE

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Forecasted 12 months ahead with confidence intervals

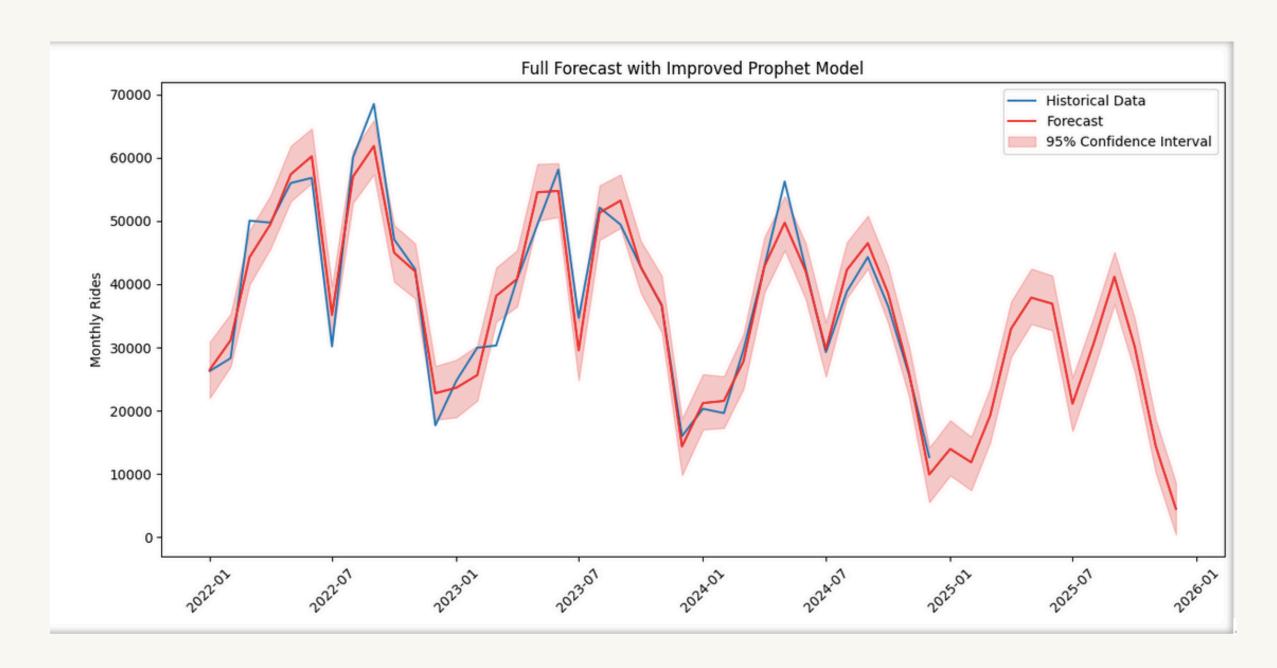
## Model Accuracy MAPE-7.3%

 predictions are, on average, within 7.3% of actual observed values.

Predicted rides for 2025:

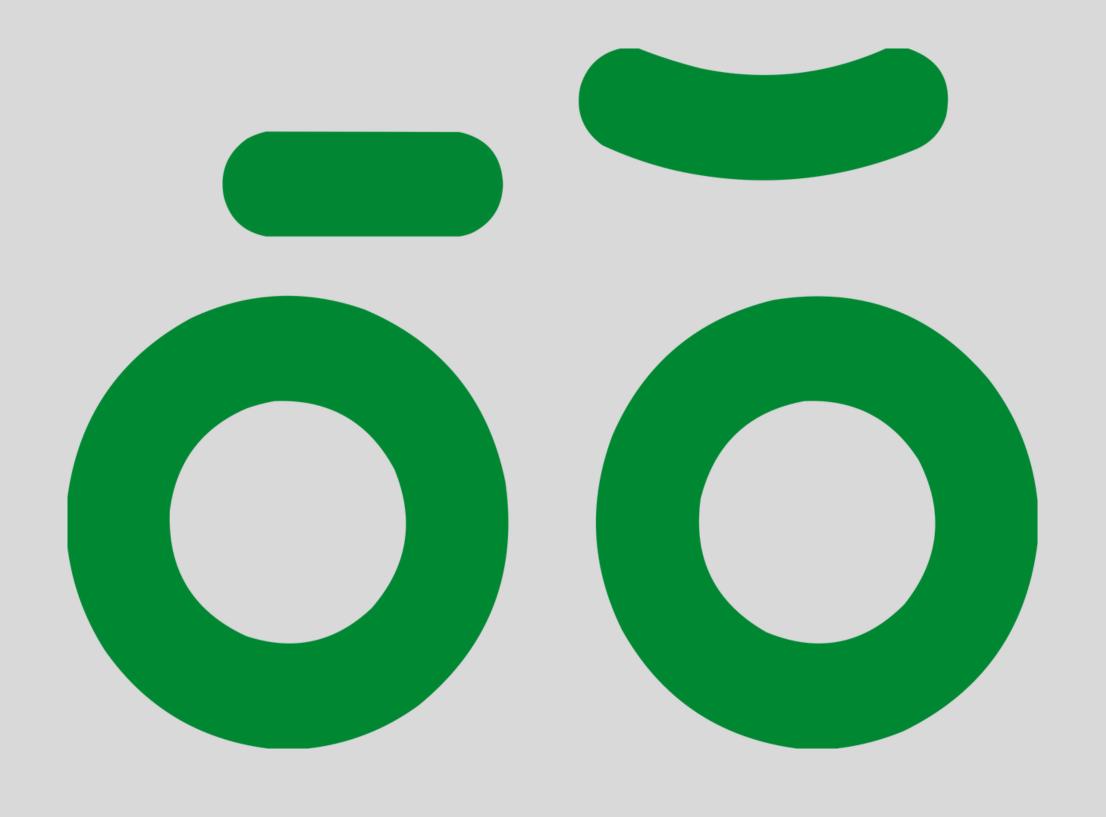
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## (12 Month Forecast with Prophet Model Results)



Total rides are expected to decrease by 26% for 2025.





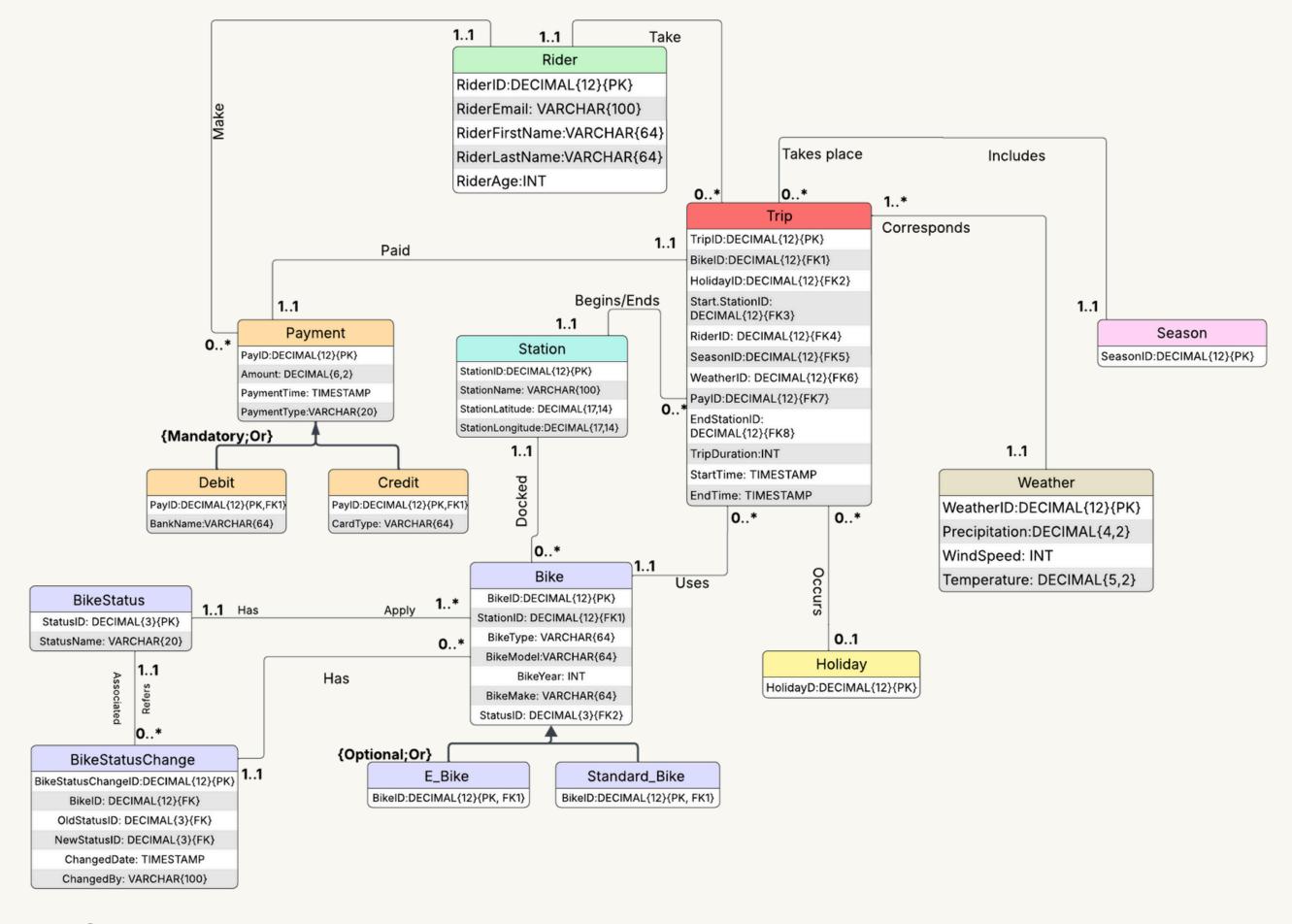
## Database Design ->

#### Use Case Example: Data Analysis - Popular Routes

- 1. The data analyst logs into the database
- 2. The data analyst queries the Trip table for start\_station\_name, end\_station\_name, start\_time, end\_time, duration.
- 3. The data analyst groups the data by start\_station\_name and end\_station\_name and counts the number of trips per route.
- 4. The system returns the routes by total trip count.

# Database Design Overview

For Bergen City Bike, this database will provide an opportunity to house their bike sharing data in one place, understand rider behavior, optimize bike placements, and enhance data driven decision making.



### (DBMS Physical ERD)



## (Reccomendations)

- Optimize maintenance scheduling and resource allocation
   Schedule preventive maintenance and upgrades in December-February.

  - Increase staffing and bike availability in April-June
    Scale back operations in December-February to reduce idle capacity.

- Enhance Data Collection & Integration
   database can be leveraged to enrich forecasting and operational decisions.
  - Integrate weather, station usage, and rider demographics for deeper insights.

