

YellowSpark

NYC 2013 Taxi Data Analysis

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Steps taken

- Reading and cleaning data using Spark (Scala)
- Data analysis using Spark (Scala)
- Linear regression models for fares with Spark ML Lib (Scala)
- ML models for trip duration estimation with Spark ML Lib (Scala)
- Visualisations with Jupyter Notebooks using PySpark (Python)

The Data



The Data

- One file per month for rides information
- One file per month for fares information
- CSV Format
- Download and then stored on S3
- 165'163'063 rides after cleaning
- 50 GB of data
- Reading takes 45 minutes on 2 m4.2xlarge
- Read, cleaned and saved as Parquet dataframe in S3 => 8.8 GB

The Data

Rides

root

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-- hack_license: string (nullable = true)
-- rate_code: integer (nullable = true)
-- store_and_fwd_flag: string (nullable = true)
-- pickup_datetime: timestamp (nullable = true)
-- dropoff_datetime: timestamp (nullable = true)
-- passenger_count: integer (nullable = true)
-- trip_time_in_secs: integer (nullable = true)
-- trip_distance: double (nullable = true)
-- pickup_longitude: double (nullable = true)
-- pickup_latitude: double (nullable = true)
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Fares

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-- fare_amount: double (nullable = true)
-- surcharge: double (nullable = true)
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-- tip_amount: double (nullable = true)
-- tolls_amount: double (nullable = true)
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The Data

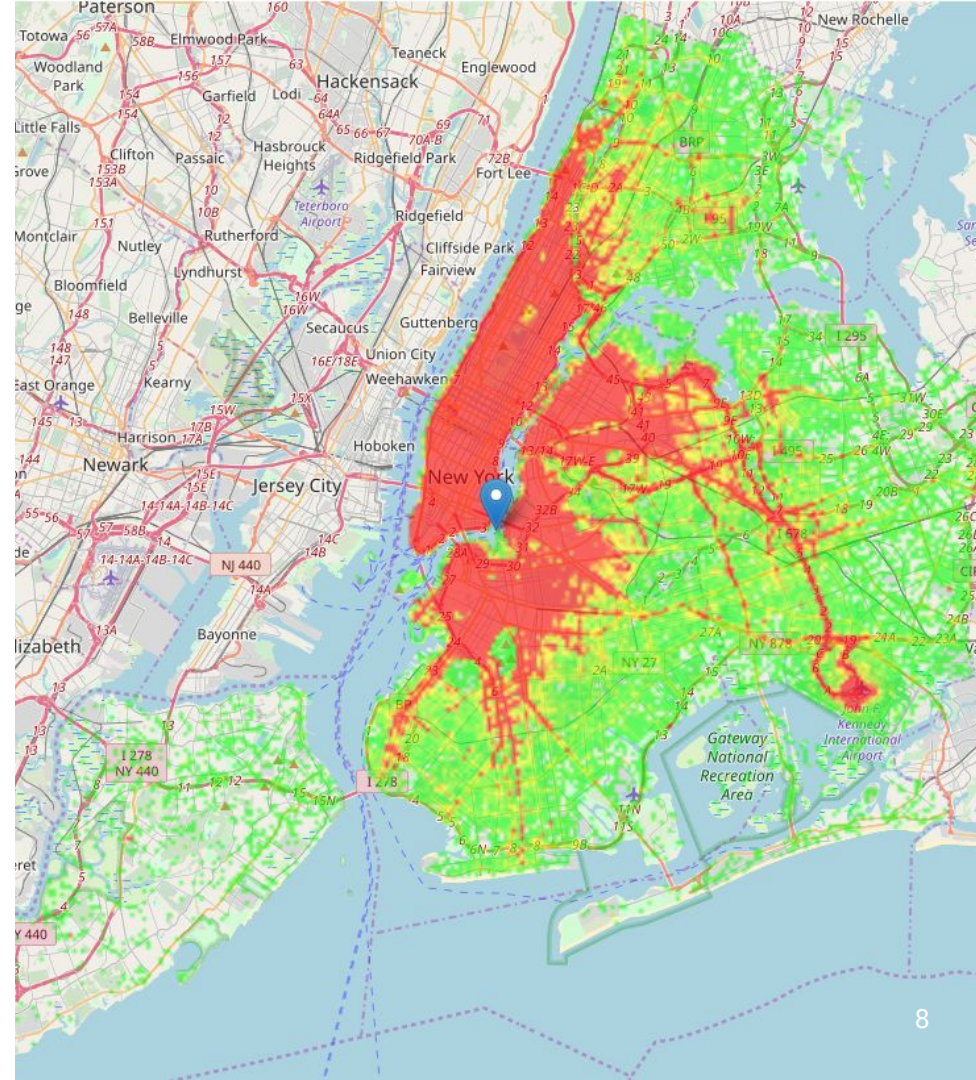
- Extracted features
 - Average speed
 - Great circle distance
 - Kilometer distance
 - Taxi Revenue
 - Borough mapping from coordinates

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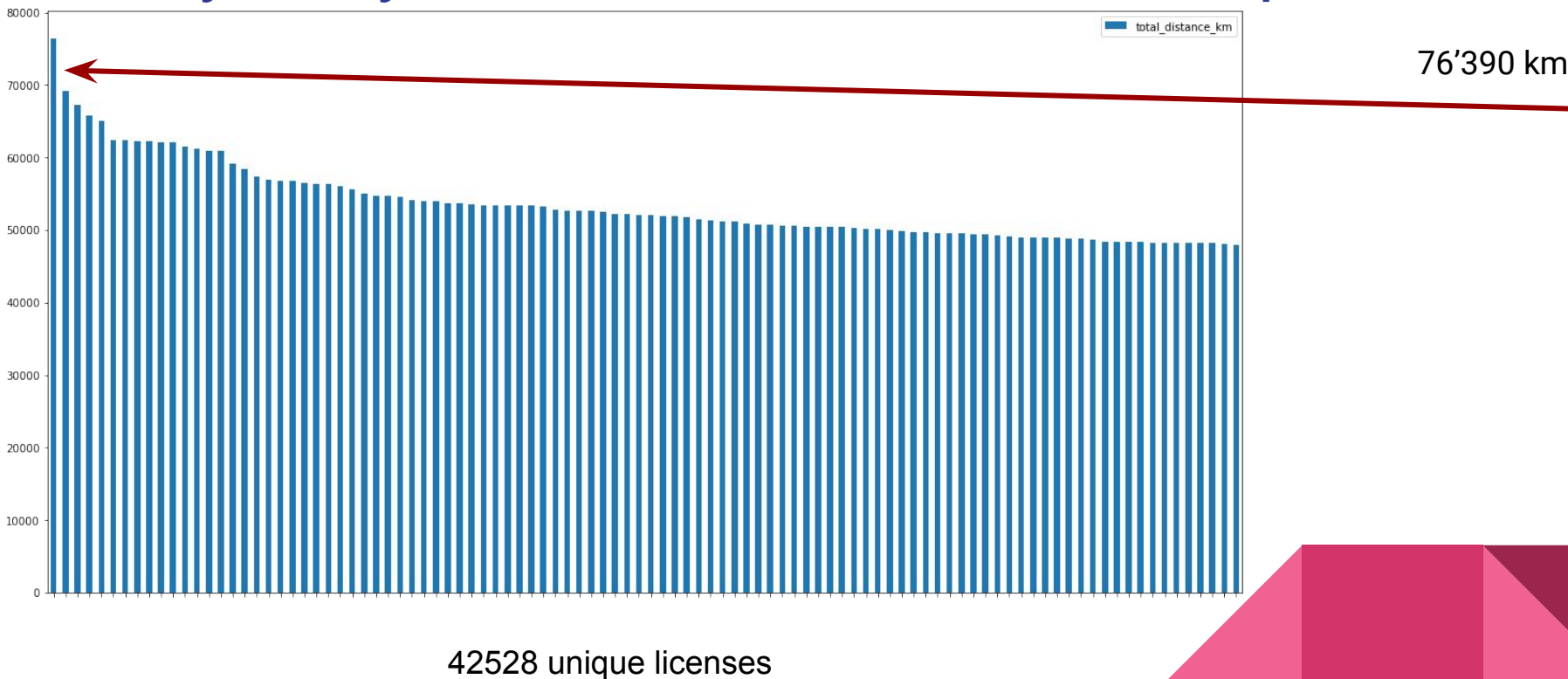
The Data - Cleaning

- All rides with average speed above 120 km/h
- Pickup or dropoff outside NYC boroughs
- Standard fare with distance smaller than great circle distance
- 0 passengers in the car
- Fare of 0 \$ or less
- Trips longer than 24 hours (why does this exist?)
- Trips slower than 1 km/h on average

Data Analysis

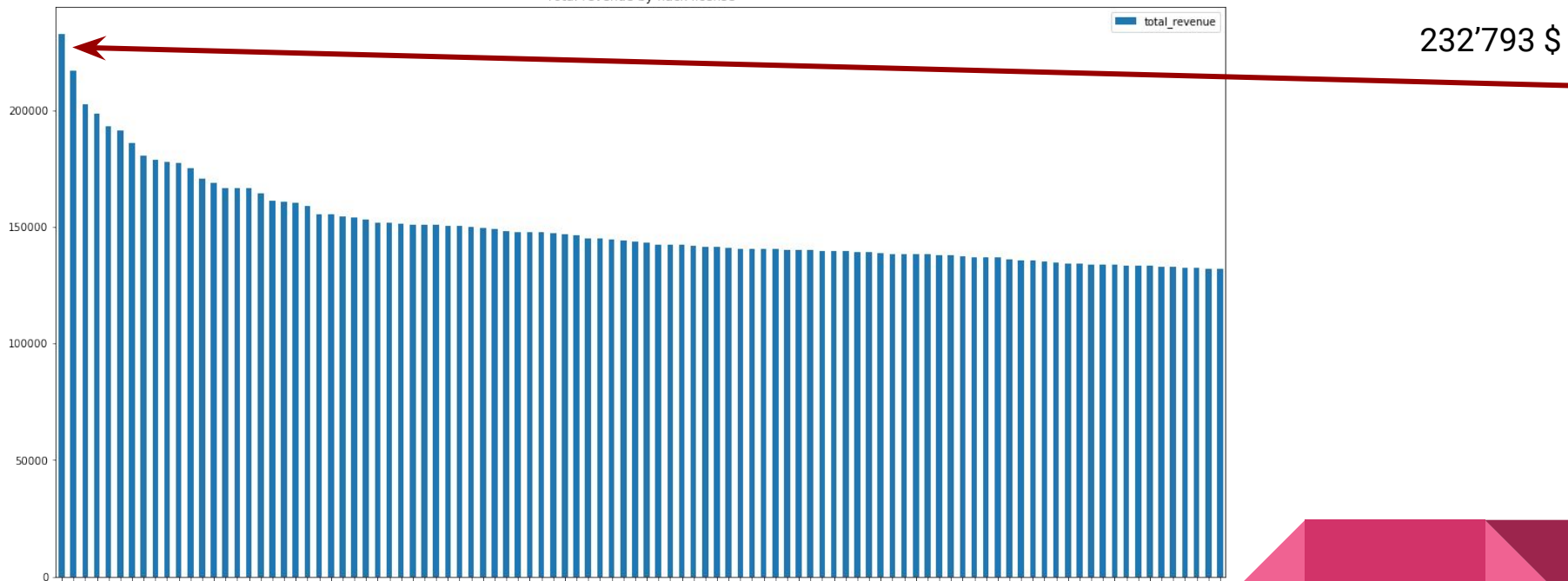


Analysis by drivers - Total distance - Top 100



Analysis by drivers - Total revenue - Top 100

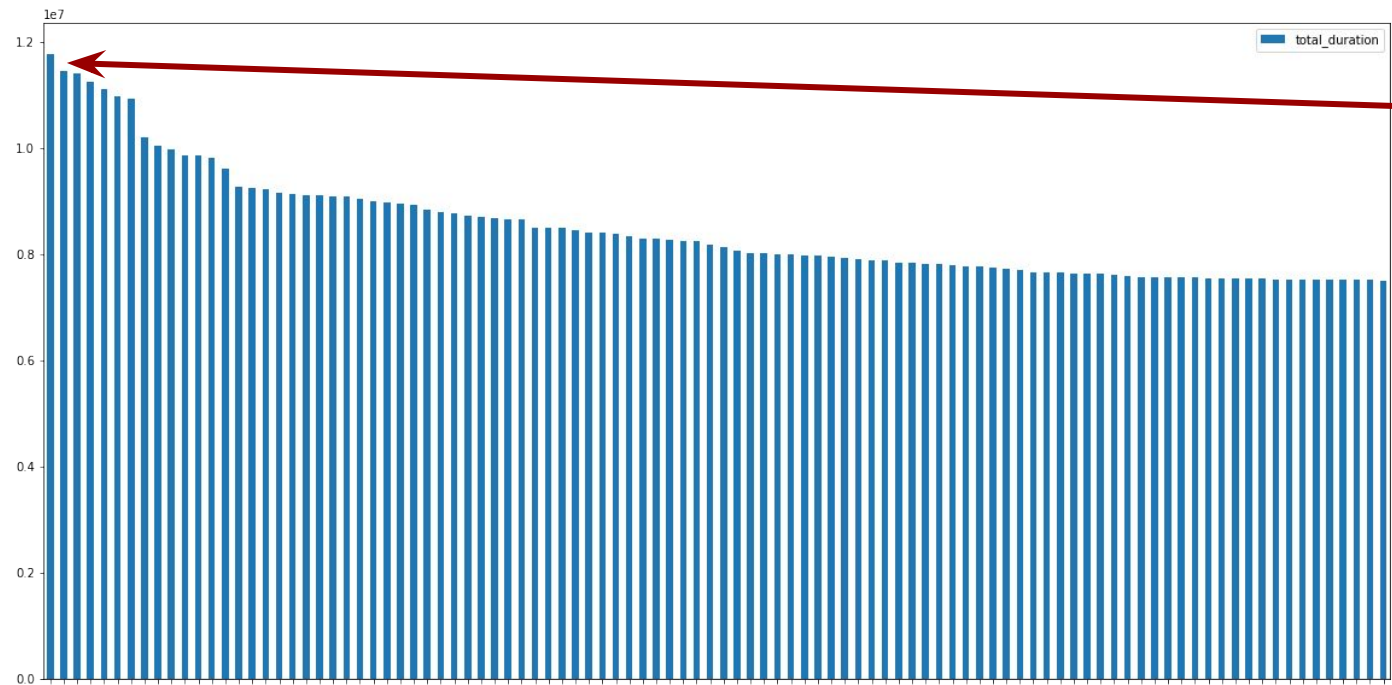
Total revenue by hack license



232'793 \$

42528 unique licenses

Analysis by drivers - Total time on rides - Top 100

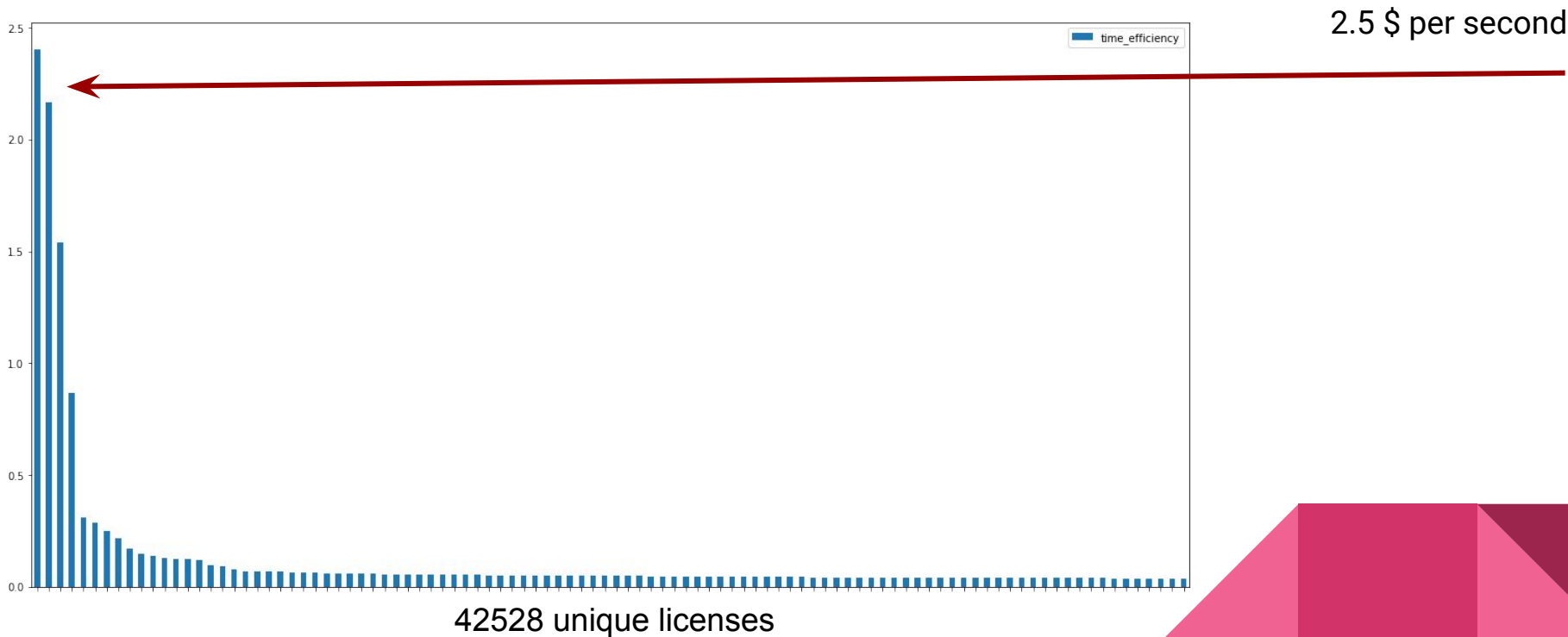


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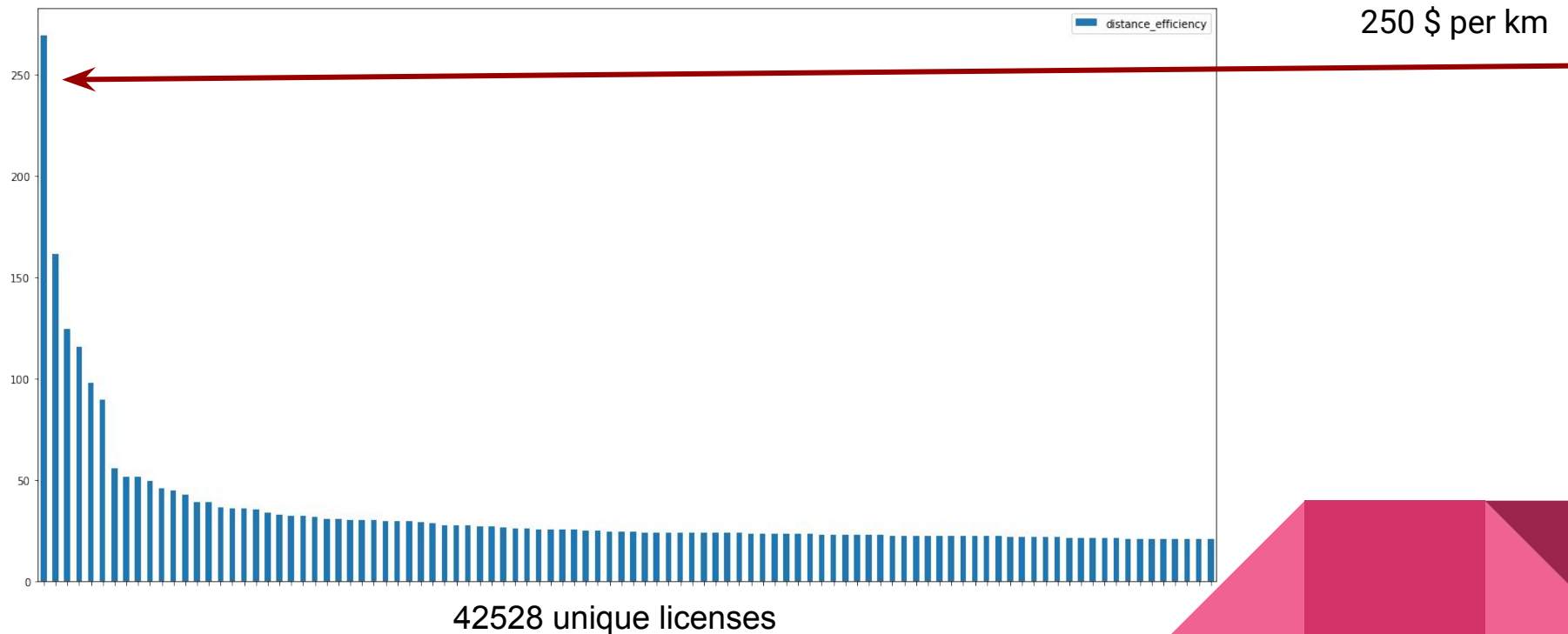
136 24-hours days

9 hours / day on rides

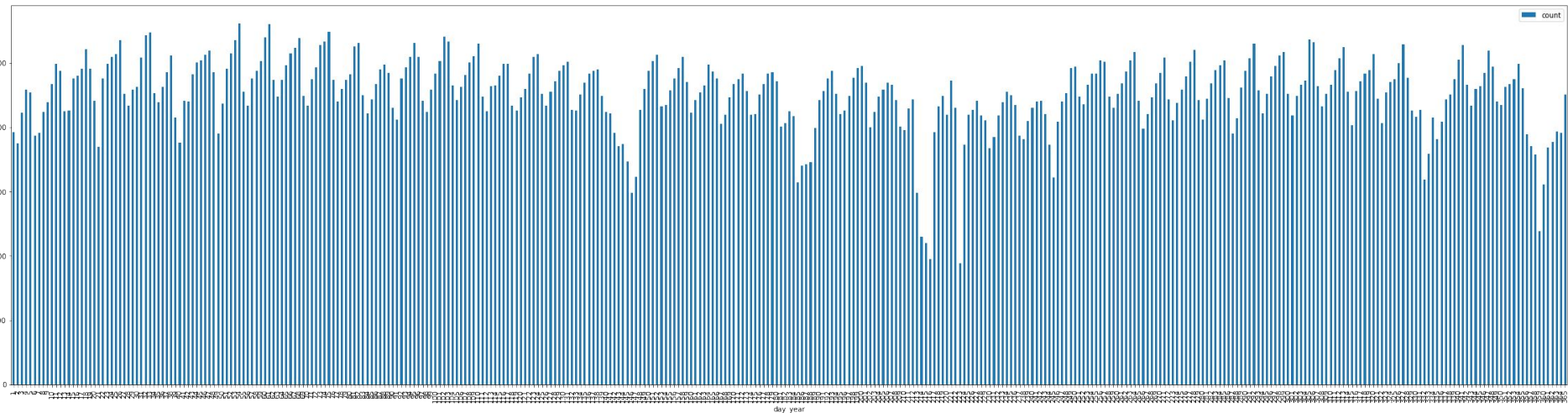
Analysis by drivers - Time efficiency - Top 100



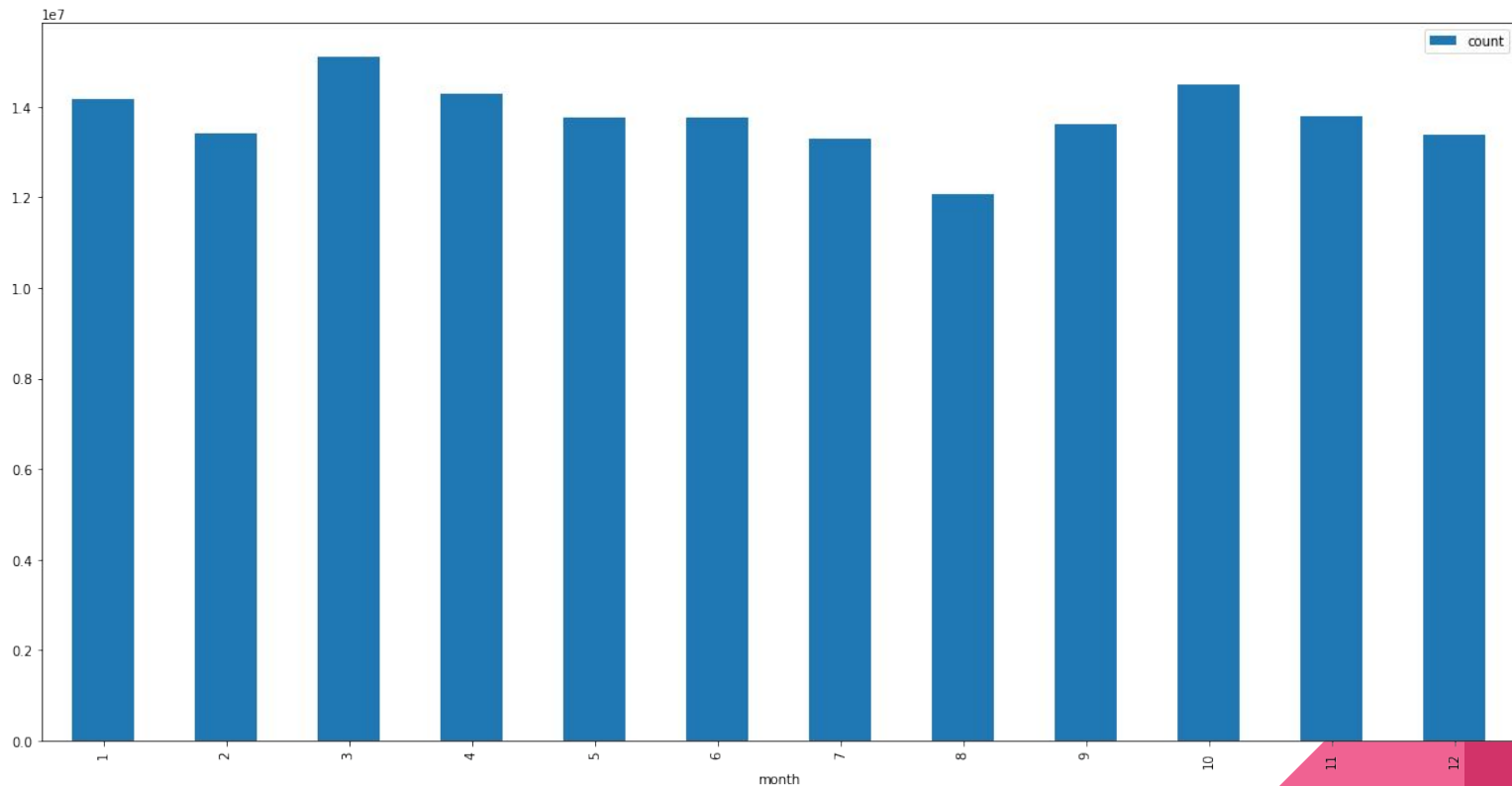
Analysis by drivers - Distance efficiency - Top 100



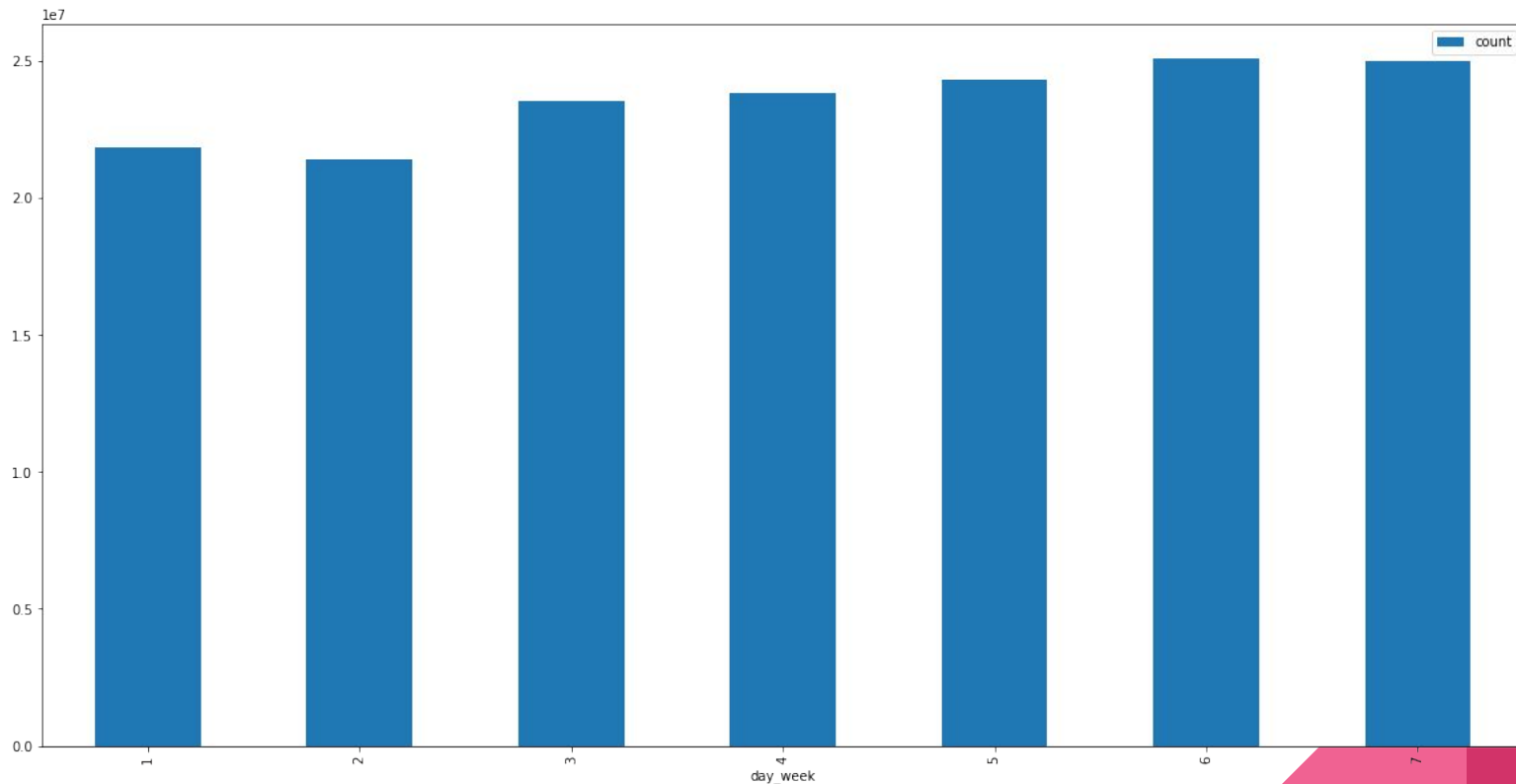
Analysis by dates - Year



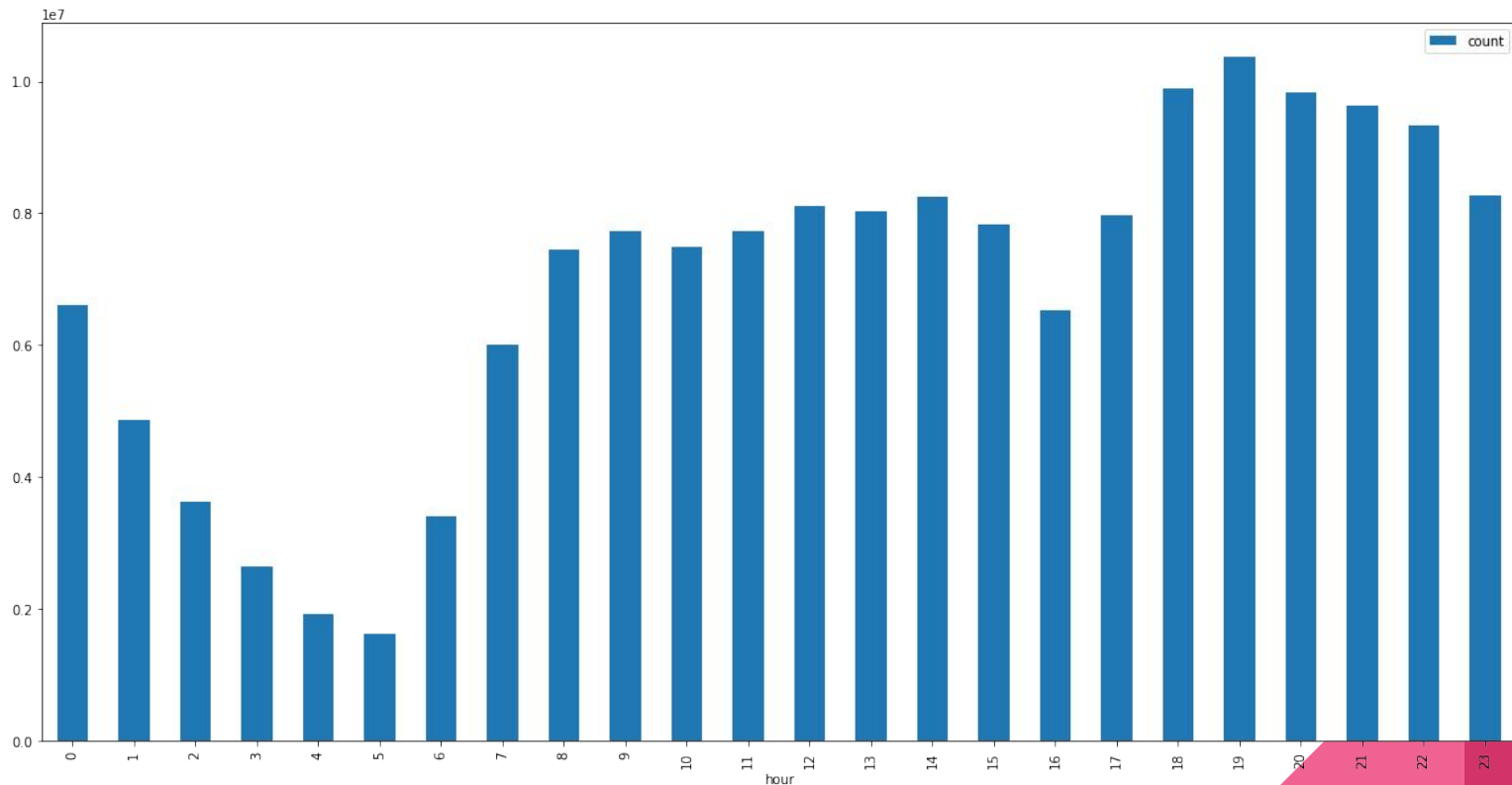
Analysis by dates - Month



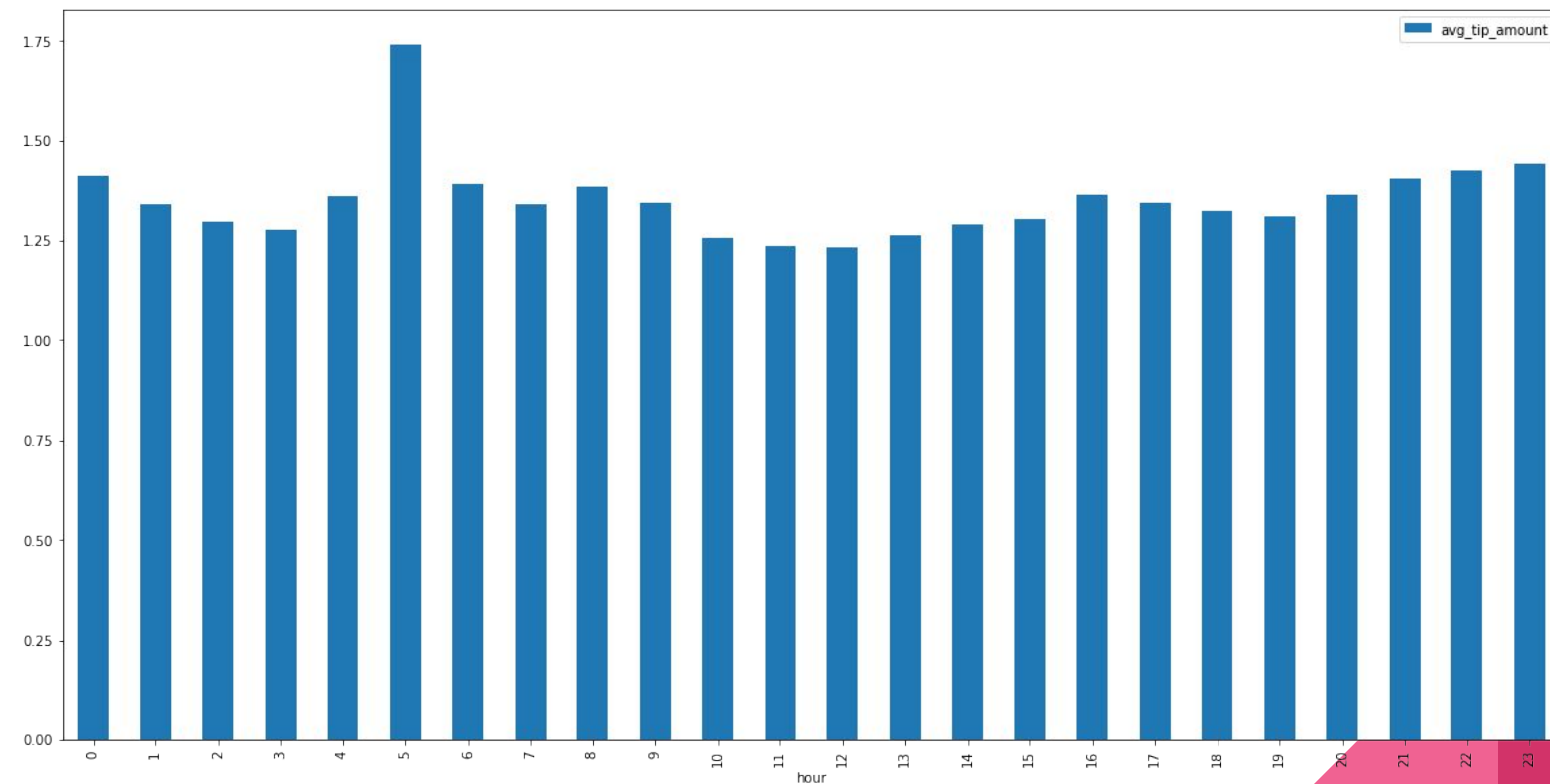
Analysis by dates - Day of week



Analysis by hour of the day - Number of rides



Analysis by hour of the day - Average tips

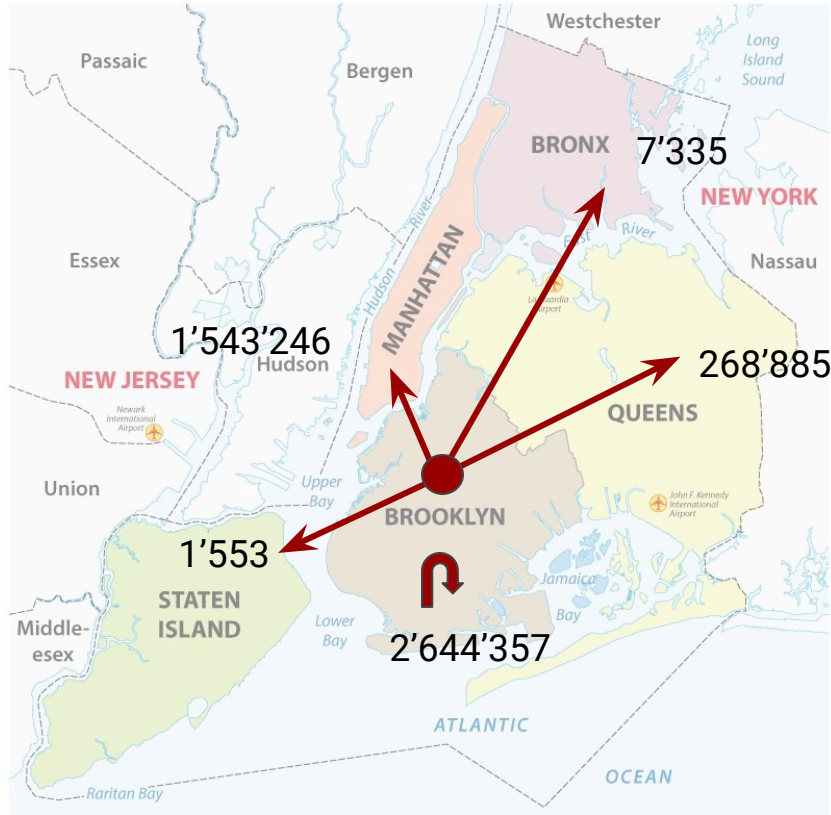


Analysis by boroughs - Bronx



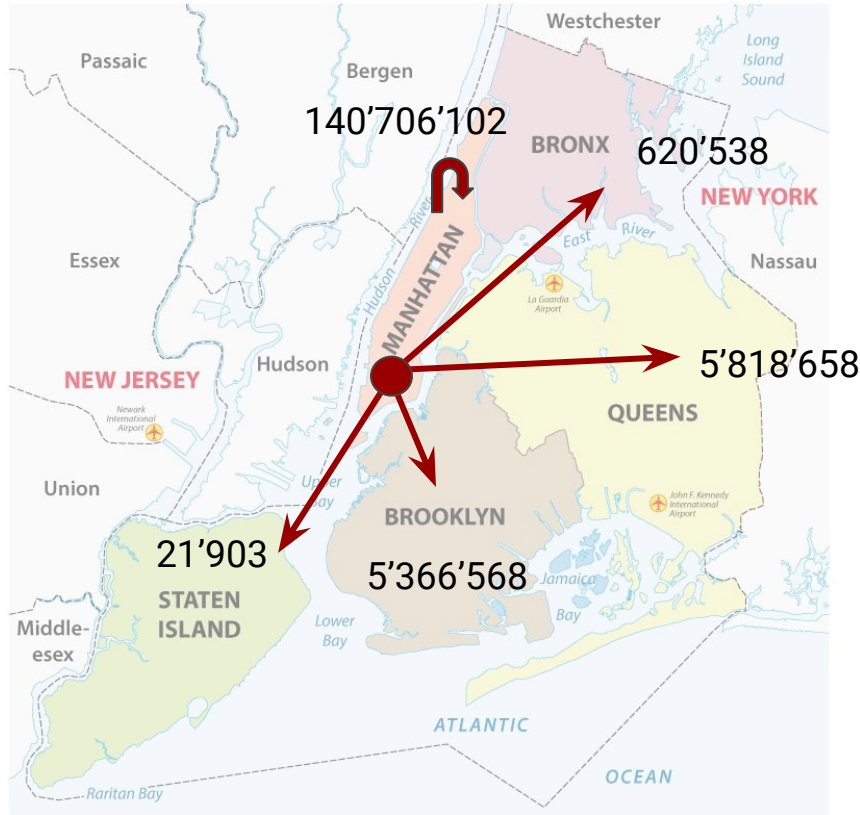
- 79'671 rides from the borough
- 0.04 % of all rides

Analysis by boroughs - Brooklyn



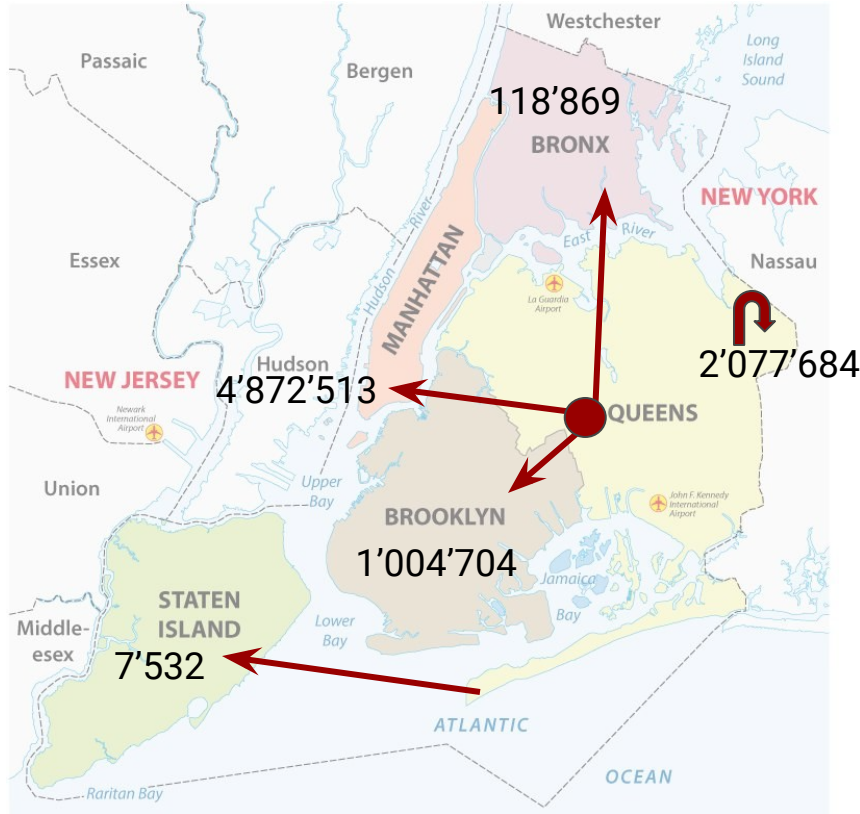
- 4'465'376 rides from the borough
- 2.7 % of all rides

Analysis by boroughs - Manhattan



- 152'533'769 rides from the borough
- 92.3 % of all rides

Analysis by boroughs - Queens



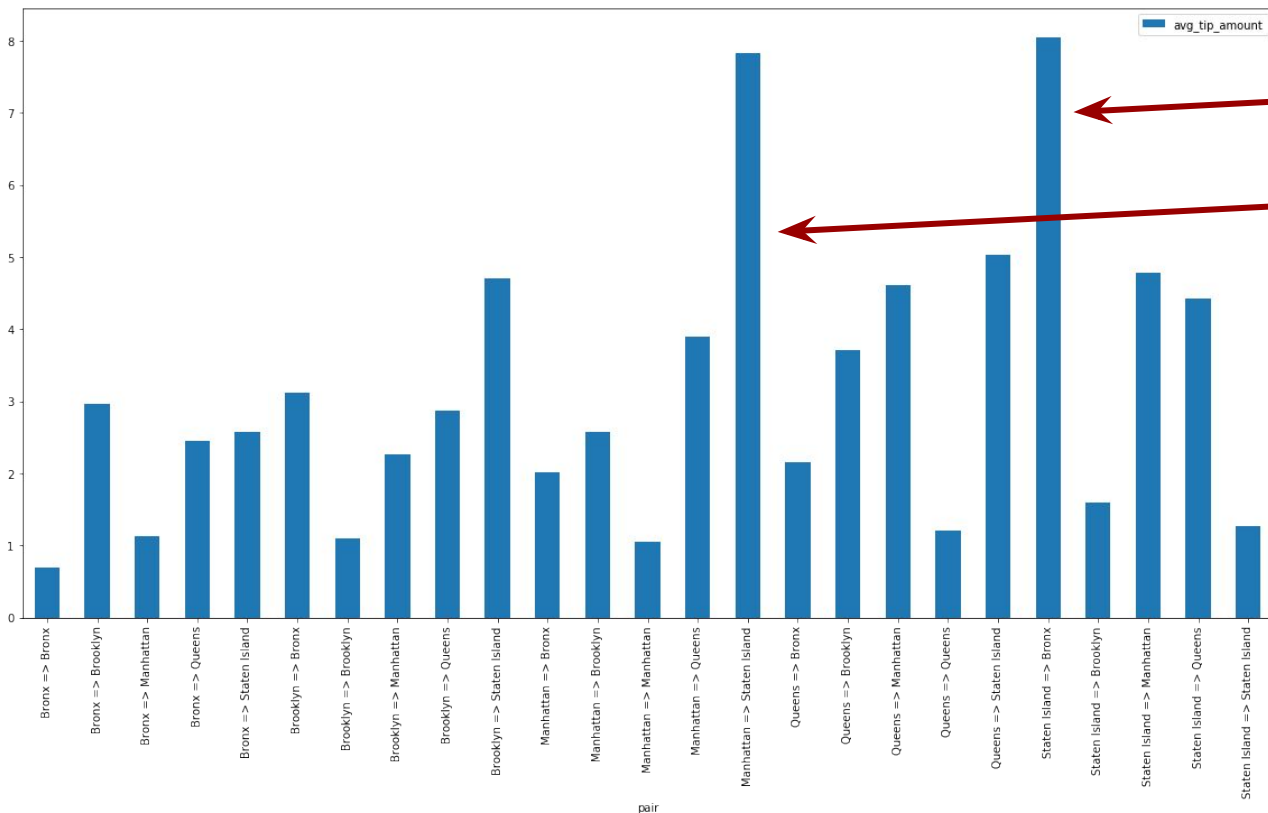
- 8'081'302 rides from the borough
- 4.89 % of all rides
- Queens contains 2 airports

Analysis by boroughs - Staten Island



- 2945 rides from the borough
- 0.002 % of all rides

Analysis by boroughs - Who tips the most?



Staten Island => Bronx

Manhattan => Staten Island

Area	Median House- hold Income	Mean House- hold Income	Percent- age in Poverty
The Bronx	\$34,156	\$46,298	27.1%
Brooklyn	\$41,406	\$60,020	21.9%
Manhattan	\$64,217	\$121,549	17.6%
Queens	\$53,171	\$67,027	12.0%
Staten Island	\$66,985	\$81,498	9.8%

Machine Learning



Machine Learning - Estimating fares

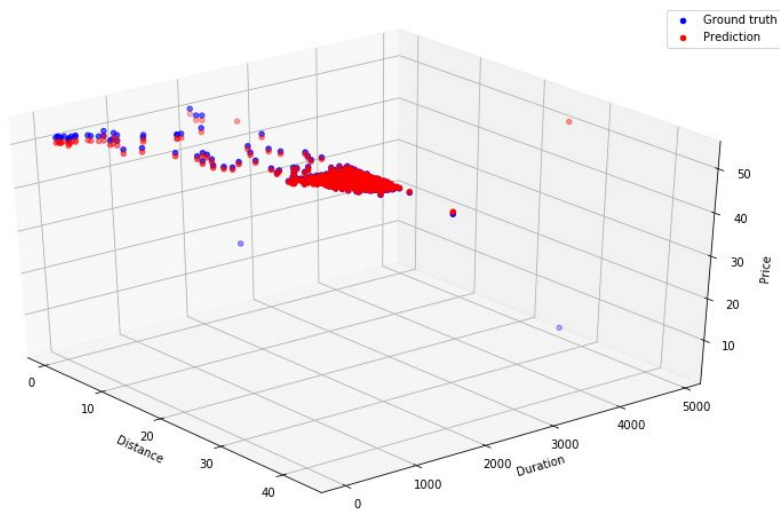
- Trained one model for each rate code from 1 to 4
- Train - Test Split 70% / 30%
- Linear Regression model
- Features are distance and duration
- Aim to estimate fare amount

Machine Learning - Estimating fares

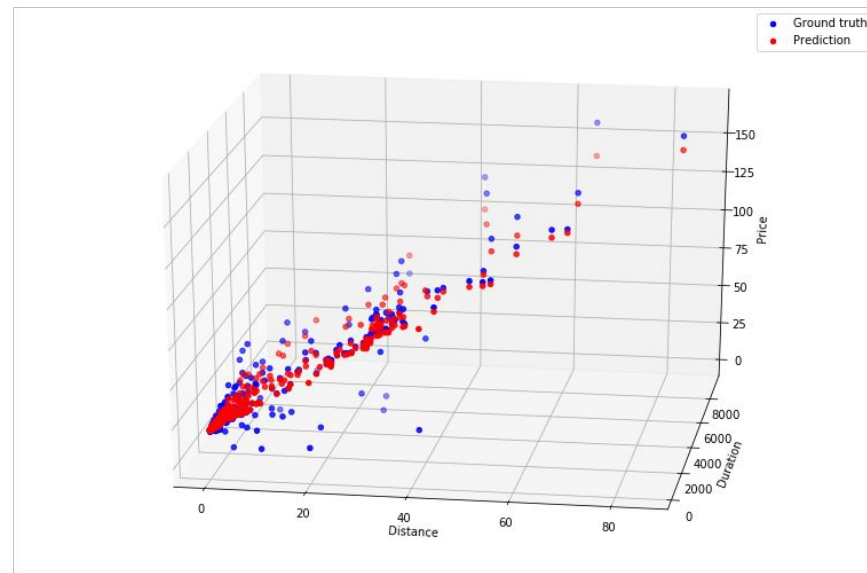
Rate Code	MSE (Mean Squared Error)	Formula
1	1.804926	$0.006 * \text{seconds} + 1.201 * \text{km} + 2.095$
2	4.070359	$0.000 * \text{seconds} + 0.039 * \text{km} + 50.818$
3	56.277111	$0.003 * \text{seconds} + 1.371 * \text{km} + 20.203$
4	16.970909	$0.004 * \text{seconds} + 1.642 * \text{km} + 2.047$

Machine Learning - Estimating fares

Rate code 2



Rate code 3



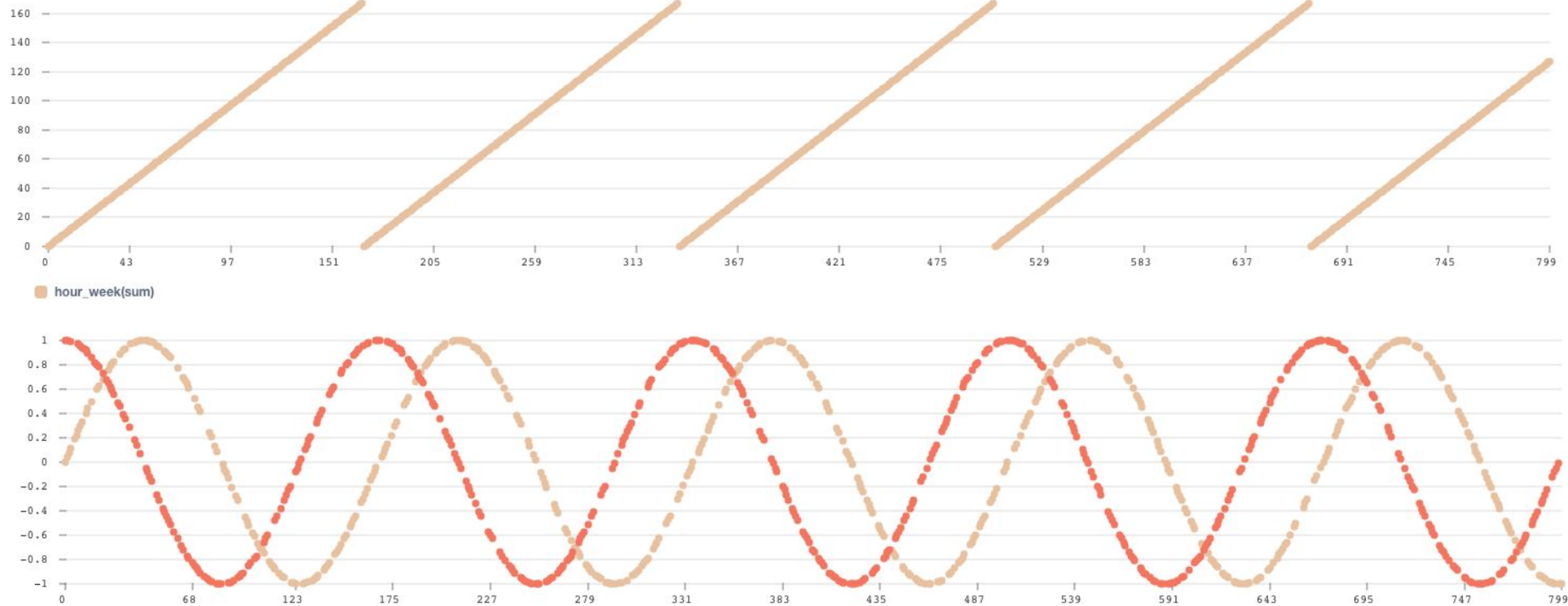
Machine Learning - Estimating trip duration

The “Billion Dollar Problem”

- Trained the model only for Manhattan
- 5 hours to train
- Extracted new features (more on next slide)
 - Hour of the week for pickup (sin and cos)
- Features used
 - Hour of the week for pickup (sin and cos)
 - Pickup coordinates
 - Dropoff coordinates
 - Distance
- Gradient Boost Regressor to estimate trip duration
 - Better model in our testings
- Accurate to +/- 4 minutes

Machine Learning - Estimating trip duration

Sinus and cosinus for pickup hour week



Conclusion and improvements

- We could work a full semester on this if we wanted
- Really interesting project and data
- Multi-year data would be interesting to train models
- We should spend way more time on data cleaning
- Cluster rides by behaviors
- We could actually detect anomalies