## BIG MOUNTAIN RESORT CASE STUDY

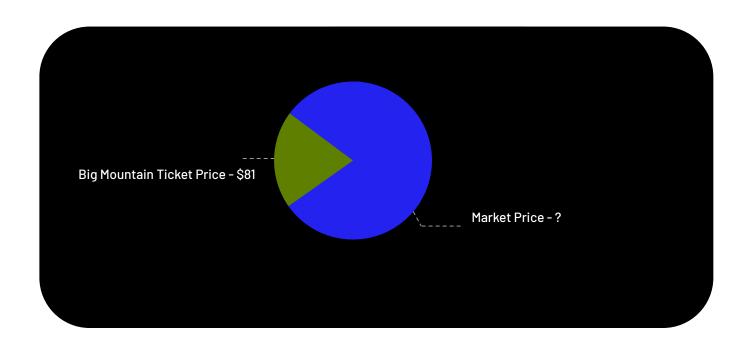
Strategy Plan 2025

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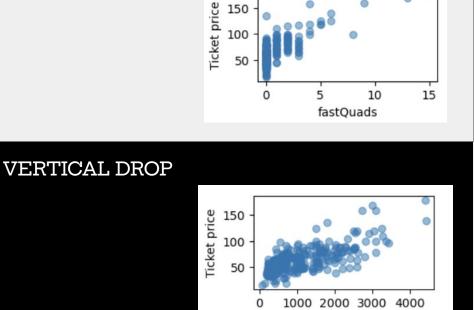
Problem Identification

### Can we improve ticket price for Big Mountain?

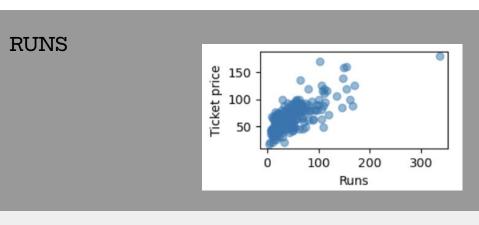


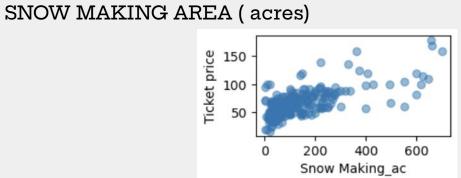
### FEATURES INFLUENCING TICKET PRICE

FAST QUADS



vertical\_drop







Recommendation

### SCENARIO 1

Permanently closing down up to 10 of the least used runs. This doesn't impact any other resort statistics.

### SCENARIO 2

Increase the vertical drop by adding a run to a point 150 feet lower down but requiring the installation of an additional chair lift to bring skiers back up, without additional snow making coverage

### SCENARIO 3

Same as number 2, but adding 2 acres of snow making cover

### SCENARIO 4

Increase the longest run by 0.2 mile to boast 3.5 miles length, requiring an additional snow making coverage of 4 acres

### **ACTION PLAN**

SCENARIO 2: IT BUMPS UP THE TICKET PRICE FROM \$81 TO \$95.87. INCREASES REVENUE COLLECTION BY \$3,474,638

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MODEL RESULTS & ANALYSIS

1 DATA WRANGLING

EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS (EDA)

7 PRE-PROCESSING

04 MODELLING

### Data Wrangling

Initial Data (csv file)	• 330 ski resort rows and 27 columns
Clean Data	<ul> <li>Drop Columns that were not informative in the analysis of ticket price</li> <li>Drop Rows that had missing values</li> </ul>
Check for Target Value	Verify if ticket predictor variable is present in data - AdultWeekend
Final Data - Set up for EDA	<ul> <li>Store cleaned data (csv) - 270 rows , 25 columns</li> <li>Generate a new dataset with state information to aid further analysis</li> </ul>

### Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Check relationship of features	<ul> <li>No direct trends observed between AdultWeekend column and Feature columns</li> </ul>
Perform PCA	<ul> <li>No clear groupings in the prices by state.</li> </ul>
Heatmaps for Correlation	<ul> <li>Showed correlation of AdultWeekend with fastQuads, Runs, Vertical_Drop and total_chairs</li> </ul>
Set up for Pre-processing	Store the analysis of important feature types for Pre-processing

### **Pre-Processing**

Clean data for ML model	<ul> <li>Scaling the data - StandardScaler</li> <li>Imputing missing values using median</li> </ul>
Train Model on Random Forest Tree	<ul> <li>(Mean , Std) = (9.644, 1.352)</li> <li>Mean Absolute Error = 9.537</li> </ul>
Train Model on Linear Regression	<ul> <li>(Mean , Std) = (10.499, 1.622)</li> <li>Mean Absolute Error = 11.793</li> </ul>
Final Model Selected	Random Forest model is chosen for further analysis because it had lower Mean Absolute Error compared to Linear Regression Model

### Modelling

Verify Big Mountain facilities with the rest	<ul> <li>Plot distributions of important features and we see Big Mountain is among the big leagues of facilities provided at ski resorts</li> </ul>
Apply Random Forest Model	<ul> <li>Predicted Price = \$95.87</li> <li>Actual Price = \$81.00</li> </ul>
Scenario Modelling	Model 4 scenarios discussed and check delta in revenue
Final Suggestion	<ul> <li>By increasing the ticket price to \$1.99, which considers increase in vertical_Drop by 150 feet and additional of a run and chair, we can generate a revenue of \$3474638</li> </ul>

# 04

Closing Comments

### Future Work?

- Model doesn't account for operational cost, so something to consider in future after appropriate data collection
- If adopted, strategies to maintain the model need to be considered.

### Questions?

### THANK YOU