

Project: Predicting Electrical Bill

✓ Data Loading & Cleaning

- Loaded Electricity Bill Dataset dataset.
- Deleted rows where motor pump column = 0 since these do not contribute to power consumption and would not affect the result, ensuring data relevance.
- Ensured consistent data types for all numerical columns for accurate scaling and modeling.
- Applied `pd.get_dummies` on city and company columns to convert categorical variables into numerical form, enabling the regression model to utilize these features effectively.

✓ Data Visualization

- Explored trends between monthly hours, tariff rate, motor HP, and electrical bill.
- Plotted scatter plots, heatmaps, and pairplots to check correlations.

✓ Feature Engineering

- Created two versions of the model:
 - **Full model:** Includes *monthly hours* and *tariff rate*.
 - **Reduced model:** Excludes *monthly hours* and *tariff rate* to test dependency on operational features.

✓ Preprocessing

- Used train-test split (80-20) for validation.
- Applied StandardScaler to normalize feature ranges.

✓ Model Building

- Implemented Linear Regression for prediction.
- Evaluated using:
 - **RMSE (Root Mean Squared Error)** for error magnitude.
 - **R² Score** for variance explanation.

✓ Results Interpretation

- Compared R^2 and RMSE between *full* and *reduced* models to analyze the impact of excluded features.
- Identified the contribution of *monthly hours* and *tariff rate* on bill predictability.

✓ Streamlit App Deployment

- Built an **interactive Streamlit app**:
 - Option to select:
 - *Full model* (with hours, tariff) or
 - *Reduced model* (without them).
 - Users can **input values** (motor HP, monthly hours, tariff, etc.) to **predict the “Electrical Bill” live**.
 - Displays **predicted bill amount, RMSE, and R^2 of the selected model** for transparency.

✓ Model Evaluation Results:

- **Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE): 0** (My model's predictions **exactly match the actual electricity bills** in your dataset with **zero error**)
- **R^2 Score: 1** (Your model **perfectly explains 100% of the variance** in the electricity bill using Usage_Tariff_Interaction.)
 - $\text{Usage_Tariff_Interaction} = \text{Monthly_hours} * \text{Tariff_rate}$

✓ Feature Importance Evaluation :

By comparing the model performance with and without monthly hours and tariff rate, I found:

- Models including monthly hours and tariff rate had significantly higher R^2 scores and lower RMSE, indicating better predictive power.
- Removing these features reduced the model's ability to explain variance in the “Electrical Bill”, confirming that:
 - Monthly operational hours (usage patterns) and
 - Tariff rate (cost per unit electricity)are critical factors influencing the electrical bill for motor pumps.

Extras:

I have done this using Gradient Boosting, Decision Tree, Elastic Net, and Ridge Regression models on this dataset. The project is available in the miscellaneous folder of my GitHub.

Skills & Concepts Used:

- **Python (pandas, sklearn, matplotlib, seaborn)**
- **Machine Learning (Linear Regression, evaluation metrics)**
- **Feature Engineering & Impact Analysis**
- **Data Normalization (StandardScaler)**
- **Streamlit for interactive ML deployment**