uber casestudy

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→ to ride cancellations by the driver

and non-availability of cars for a specific route in the city.

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[145]: import pandas as pd
  import numpy as np
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
  import seaborn as sns

[146]: import warnings
  warnings.simplefilter('ignore')
  sns.set_style('whitegrid')
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[147]:
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              12/7/2016 22:03
         13-07-2016 09:25:47
[148]: print("number of rows:{}".format(df.shape[0]))
       print("number of rows:{}".format(df.shape[1]))
      number of rows:6745
      number of rows:6
[149]: #checking the data info
       df.info()
      <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
      RangeIndex: 6745 entries, 0 to 6744
      Data columns (total 6 columns):
       #
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                                               object
           Request timestamp 6745 non-null
                                               object
           Drop timestamp
                              2831 non-null
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      dtypes: float64(1), int64(1), object(4)
      memory usage: 316.3+ KB
[150]: df["Driver id"].nunique()
[150]: 300
[151]: df.head()
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[152]: #changing the date format into the desired format
      df['Request timestamp_1'] = pd.to_datetime(df['Request timestamp'],_
        df['Request timestamp'] = pd.to_datetime(df['Request timestamp'], format='%d/%m/

¬%Y %H:%M', errors='coerce')
      df['Request timestamp']=df['Request timestamp_2'].combine_first(df['Request_
        [153]: |df['Drop timestamp_1'] = pd.to_datetime(df['Drop timestamp'], format='%d-%m-%Y__
       ⇔%H:%M:%S', errors='coerce')
      df['Drop timestamp_2']=pd.to_datetime(df['Drop timestamp'], format='%d/%m/%Y %H:
       df['Drop timestamp']=df['Drop timestamp_2'].combine_first(df['Drop_u
        ⇔timestamp_1'])
[154]: df.head()
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[155]: df.drop(columns=['Request timestamp_1', 'Request timestamp_2',
                        'Drop timestamp_1', 'Drop timestamp_2'],
                         inplace=True)
[156]: df.head()
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[157]: #checking for null values
       df.isnull().sum()/len(df)*100
[157]: Request id
                             0.00000
       Pickup point
                             0.000000
       Driver id
                            39.288362
       Status
                             0.000000
       Request timestamp
                             0.00000
       Drop timestamp
                            58.028169
       dtype: float64
[158]: """
       here we focus on the drop timestamp
       we assume that the drop timestamp is more than 50% is due to the cancellations \Box
       ⇔of trip by the drivers
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       more than 50% is due to the cancellations of trip by the drivers\nby taking
       consideration on the request timestamp\n'
[159]: #Feature engineering
       df["RequestHour"] = df["Request timestamp"].dt.hour
[160]: df.head()
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                                         8
[161]: #categorising the features for further analysis
       df["TimeSlot"] = np.where(df["RequestHour"] <= 4, "Dawn",</pre>
                         np.where(df["RequestHour"] <= 9, "Early Morning",</pre>
                         np.where(df["RequestHour"] <= 16, "Noon",</pre>
                         np.where(df["RequestHour"] <= 21, "Late Evening", "Night"))))</pre>
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       4 2016-07-13 09:25:47
                                         8 Early Morning
[163]: df["Status"].unique()
[163]: array(['Trip Completed', 'Cancelled', 'No Cars Available'], dtype=object)
[164]: df["cab Availability"] = np.where(df["Status"] == 'Trip_
        →Completed', 'Available', 'Not Available')
[165]: df.head()
          Request id Pickup point Driver id
                                                        Status
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| 3 | 2532 | Airport | 1.0 | Trip Completed 20 | 016-07-12 21:08:0 | 00 |
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| 1 | 2016-07-11 18:47:0 | 0 17 | Late Evening | Available |
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| 3 | 2016-07-12 22:03:0 | 0 21 | Late Evening | Available |
| 4 | 2016-07-13 09:25:4 | .7 8 | Early Morning | Available |

[166]: df['cab Availability'].value_counts(normalize=True)*100

[166]: cab Availability

Not Available 58.028169 Available 41.971831

Name: proportion, dtype: float64

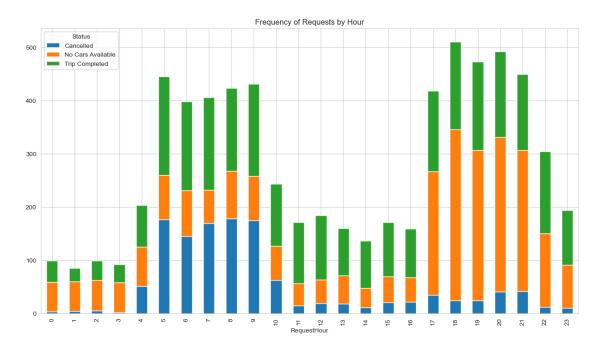
[167]: # status of cab availability during different time zone

df.groupby(['RequestHour', 'Status']).size().unstack().

→plot(kind='bar', stacked=True, figsize=(15,8))

plt.title("Frequency of Requests by Hour")

[167]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Frequency of Requests by Hour')



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[168]:

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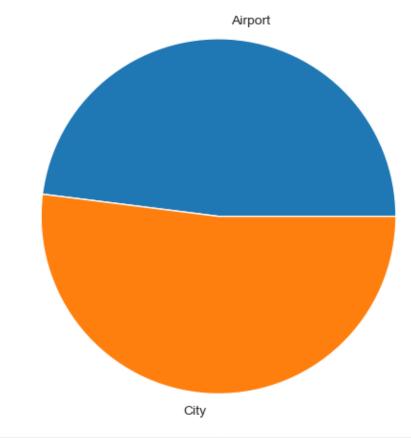
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[169]: Text(0, 0.5, '')



| Airport | City | |
|---------|------|--|
| 3238 | 3507 | |

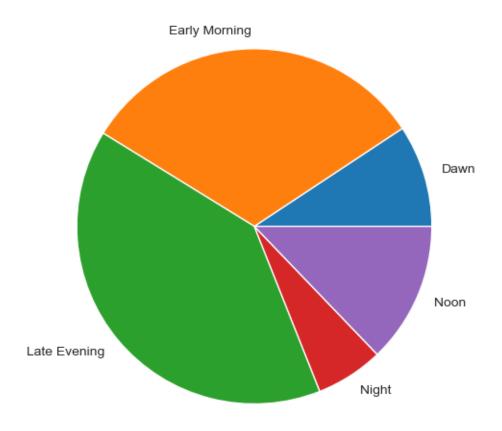
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[170]: #availability of cabs in different timeslot

df[(df["cab Availability"] == "Not Available")].groupby(["TimeSlot"]).size().

→plot(kind="pie", stacked = True , figsize = (6,6), table = True)

plt.ylabel("")
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[170]: Text(0, 0.5, '')



| Dawn | Early Morning | Late Evening | Night | Noon |
|------|---------------|--------------|-------|------|
| 364 | 1249 | 1558 | 241 | 502 |

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Observation:

late evenings and early mornings are not recommended for the airport

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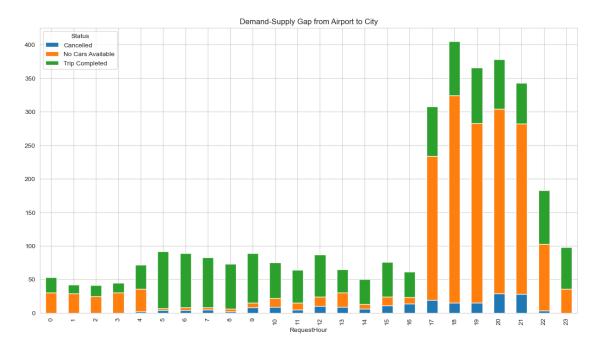
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[172]: #Analysing the data of Airport pickup point

df[(df["Pickup point"] == "Airport")].groupby(['RequestHour','Status']).size().

ounstack().plot(kind="bar", stacked = True, figsize = (15, 8))

plt.title("Demand-Supply Gap from Airport to City")
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[172]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Demand-Supply Gap from Airport to City')



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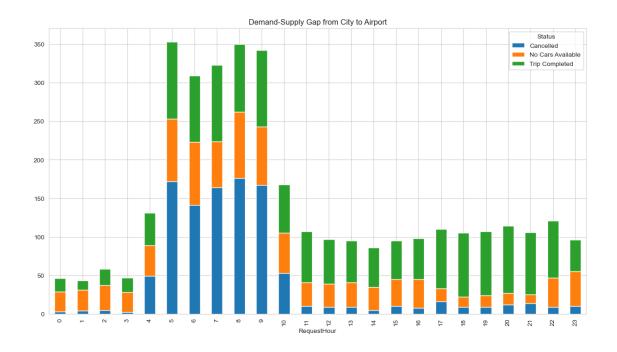
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[174]: #Analysing the data of City pickup point

df[(df["Pickup point"] == "City")].groupby(['RequestHour','Status']).size().

ounstack().plot(kind="bar", stacked = True, figsize = (15, 8))

plt.title("Demand-Supply Gap from City to Airport")
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[174]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Demand-Supply Gap from City to Airport')



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→00 AM

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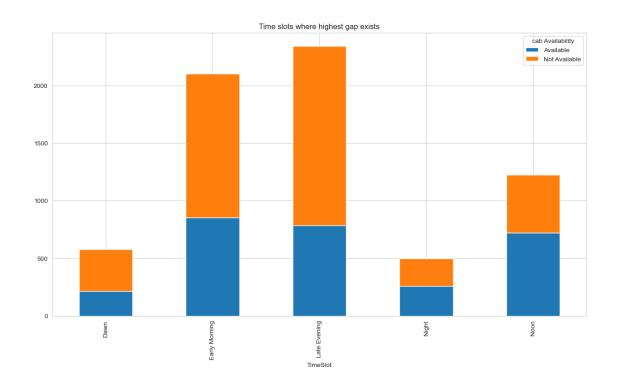
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[176]: # Analysing the data of different timeslot for car availability

df.groupby(["TimeSlot","cab Availability"]).size().unstack().plot(kind="bar",

stacked = True ,figsize=(15,8))

plt.title('Time slots where highest gap exists')
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[176]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Time slots where highest gap exists')



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people travelled from City −

Airport and so fewer cars are available in near Airpor

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demand for cabs because the supply is very low due to Ride Cancellations

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Recommendations:

Awarding Incentive for drivers who are waiting at the airport. Have a fleet stationed at the airport/ also can be done for part time drivers.

Provide free parking at airport.

Refreshment booth for driver waiting at the airport.

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