index

October 14, 2025

0.1 Final Phase 4 Project Submission

Please fill out: * Student name: **Alberto SYLVEUS** * Student pace: self paced / part time / full time * Scheduled project review date/time: * Instructor name: **Wedter JEROME and Geovany Baptista Polo LAGUERRE** *

Click here to get the github repository

1 Overview

When we build a batiment, we have someting that very important. To be carefull about this thing, we are going to make a predictive model that estimates the heating load and the cooling load of a building based on its physical and structural features.

2 Business Understanding

The energy of a building is as really important as others parts of a building construction. For that we are going to make an accurate load predictions can support energy-efficient building design, reduce energy costs, and help meet sustainability standards.

3 Data Understanding

We use the **Energy Efficiency Dataset** (commonly available on the UCI Machine Learning Repository), which contains **768 building samples** with the following input features:

- Relative Compactness(X1): A ratio that measures how compact a building's shape is.
- Surface Area(X2): The total external area of the building's envelope (walls, roof, etc.).
- Wall Area(X3): The total area of all external walls of the building.
- Roof Area(X4): The horizontal external surface area of the building's roof.
- Overall Height(X5): The vertical height of the building.
- Orientation(X6): The building's facing direction (North, South, East, West).
- Glazing Area(X7): The proportion of the building's exterior covered by windows (glass).
- Glazing Area Distribution(X8): Definition: How the glazing (windows) is distributed across building facades (all on one side, evenly distributed, etc.).

Targets (Outputs):

- Heating Load(Y1) (kWh/m²): The amount of energy needed to maintain comfortable indoor temperature in cold conditions.
- Cooling Load(Y2) (kWh/m²): The amount of energy needed to keep indoor temperature comfortable in hot conditions.

3.1 importing module and package

```
[1]: # data manipulation
     import pandas as pd
     import numpy as np
     # vizualisation
     import seaborn as sns
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     # prepocessing
     from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
     from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
     # model
     from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
     from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
     from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
     from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
     from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor
     # metrics
     from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
     from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error, r2 score
     from sklearn.metrics import roc_auc_score, roc_curve
     # Filtering future warnings
     import warnings
     warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

4 Data Preparation

```
[2]: # load the dataset
df = pd.read_excel('data/ENB2012_data.xlsx')
df.head()
```

```
[2]:
        Х1
               Х2
                            Х4
                                 Х5
                                    Х6
                                         X7 X8
                                                   Y1
                                                         Y2
                     ХЗ
    0 0.98 514.5 294.0 110.25 7.0
                                     2 0.0
                                             0 15.55 21.33
    1 0.98 514.5 294.0 110.25 7.0
                                     3 0.0
                                             0 15.55 21.33
    2 0.98 514.5 294.0 110.25 7.0
                                             0 15.55 21.33
                                     4 0.0
    3 0.98 514.5 294.0 110.25 7.0
                                     5 0.0
                                             0 15.55 21.33
```

[3]: df.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 768 entries, 0 to 767
Data columns (total 10 columns):

		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	X1	768 non-null	float64
1	Х2	768 non-null	float64
2	ХЗ	768 non-null	float64
3	Х4	768 non-null	float64
4	Х5	768 non-null	float64
5	Х6	768 non-null	int64
6	Х7	768 non-null	float64
7	Х8	768 non-null	int64
8	Y1	768 non-null	float64
9	Y2	768 non-null	float64

dtypes: float64(8), int64(2)

memory usage: 60.1 KB

[4]: df.describe()

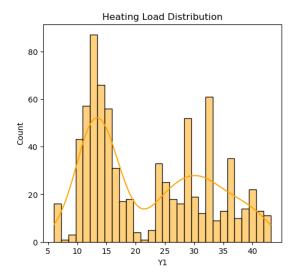
[4]:		X1	Х2	ХЗ	Х4	Х5	Х6
	count	768.000000	768.000000	768.000000	768.000000	768.00000	768.000000
	mean	0.764167	671.708333	318.500000	176.604167	5.25000	3.500000
	std	0.105777	88.086116	43.626481	45.165950	1.75114	1.118763
	min	0.620000	514.500000	245.000000	110.250000	3.50000	2.000000
	25%	0.682500	606.375000	294.000000	140.875000	3.50000	2.750000
	50%	0.750000	673.750000	318.500000	183.750000	5.25000	3.500000
	75%	0.830000	741.125000	343.000000	220.500000	7.00000	4.250000
	max	0.980000	808.500000	416.500000	220.500000	7.00000	5.000000

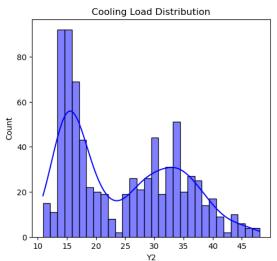
	Xγ	Х8	Y 1	Y2
count	768.000000	768.00000	768.000000	768.000000
mean	0.234375	2.81250	22.307195	24.587760
std	0.133221	1.55096	10.090204	9.513306
min	0.000000	0.00000	6.010000	10.900000
25%	0.100000	1.75000	12.992500	15.620000
50%	0.250000	3.00000	18.950000	22.080000
75%	0.400000	4.00000	31.667500	33.132500
max	0.400000	5.00000	43.100000	48.030000

[5]: df.isna().sum() # check on null value

[5]: X1 0 X2 0

```
ХЗ
          0
    Х4
           0
    Х5
           0
    Х6
    Х7
           0
    X8
           0
    Y1
           0
    Y2
           0
     dtype: int64
[6]: # check on numeric and categorical
    df.nunique()
[6]: X1
            12
    Х2
            12
             7
    ХЗ
    Х4
             4
    Х5
             2
    Х6
             4
    Х7
             4
    Х8
             6
    Y1
           587
    Y2
           636
     dtype: int64
[7]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12,5))
     sns.histplot(df["Y1"], bins=30, kde=True, ax=axes[0], color="orange")
    axes[0].set_title("Heating Load Distribution")
    sns.histplot(df["Y2"], bins=30, kde=True, ax=axes[1], color="blue")
    axes[1].set_title("Cooling Load Distribution")
    plt.show()
```





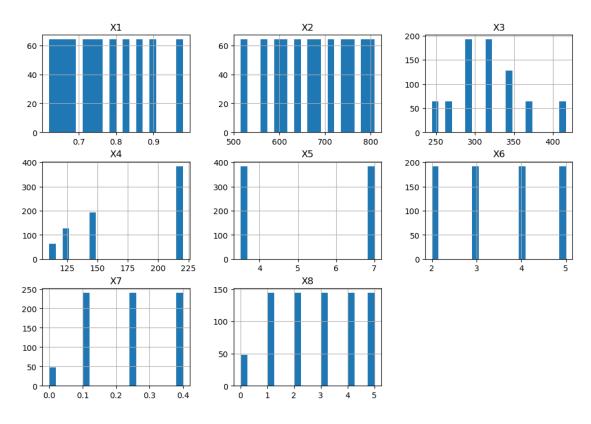
```
[8]: FEATURES = ["X1","X2","X3", "X4", "X5", "X6", "X7","X8"]

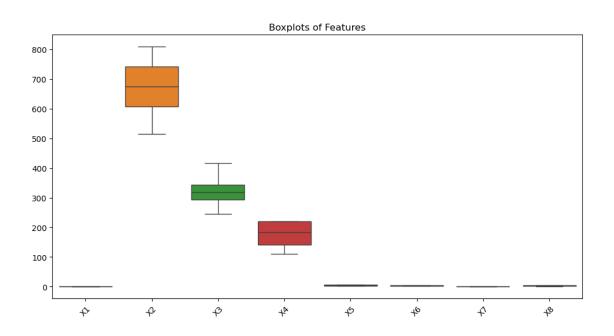
TARGETS = ["Y1", "Y2"]

[9]: df[FEATURES].hist(bins=20, figsize=(12,8))
    plt.suptitle("Feature Distributions", fontsize=16)
    plt.show()

# Boxplots
    plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
    sns.boxplot(data=df[FEATURES])
    plt.title("Boxplots of Features")
    plt.xticks(rotation=45)
    plt.show()
```

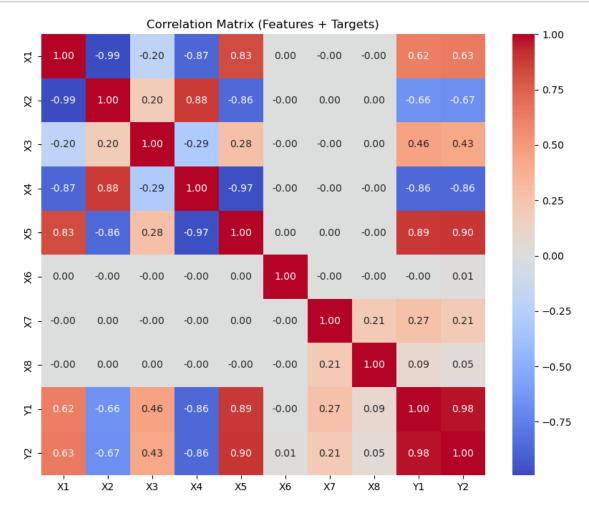
Feature Distributions





```
[10]: corr = df[FEATURES + TARGETS].corr()

plt.figure(figsize=(10,8))
sns.heatmap(corr, annot=True, fmt=".2f", cmap="coolwarm", cbar=True)
plt.title("Correlation Matrix (Features + Targets)")
plt.show()
```



EDA Summary

- The dataset shows strong multicollinearity among several features (X1/X2, X4/X5).
- The most predictive features are X4 and X5, both strongly correlated with the targets.
- Y1 and Y2 are almost perfectly correlated (0.98), meaning they can be modeled jointly.
- X6 and X8 seem to have no significant relationship with the outputs possibly categorical or low impact.

4.1 Data prepocessing

Here we are going to make sure that our data is clean, consistent, and ready for modeling. - Let's drop redundant features to reduces multicollinearity. - X1 and X2 is hightly correlated, so we'll drop X2 - X4 and X5, the same case, we'll drop X5 - in X8, it is almost no correlation, so we'll drop it

```
[11]: df_reduced = df.drop(columns=['X2','X5','X8'])
      df_reduced.head()
[11]:
                                Х6
                                             Υ1
                                                     Y2
            Х1
                   ХЗ
                            Х4
                                      Х7
         0.98
                294.0
                        110.25
                                 2
                                     0.0
                                          15.55
                                                  21.33
         0.98
                294.0
                        110.25
                                 3
                                     0.0
                                          15.55
                                                  21.33
      1
      2
         0.98
                294.0
                        110.25
                                 4
                                     0.0
                                          15.55
                                                  21.33
                                    0.0
      3
         0.98
                294.0
                        110.25
                                 5
                                          15.55
                                                  21.33
         0.90
                318.5
                        122.50
                                 2
                                     0.0
                                          20.84
                                                  28.28
[12]:
      df_reduced.describe()
[12]:
                       X1
                                                 Х4
                                                              Х6
                                                                                        Y1
                                    ΧЗ
                                                                           Х7
              768.000000
                           768.000000
                                        768.000000
                                                                  768.000000
                                                                               768.000000
      count
                                                     768.000000
                0.764167
                           318.500000
                                        176.604167
                                                       3.500000
                                                                    0.234375
                                                                                22.307195
      mean
      std
                0.105777
                            43.626481
                                         45.165950
                                                       1.118763
                                                                    0.133221
                                                                                10.090204
                0.620000
                           245.000000
                                        110.250000
                                                       2.000000
                                                                    0.000000
                                                                                 6.010000
      min
      25%
                           294.000000
                                        140.875000
                                                       2.750000
                                                                    0.100000
                0.682500
                                                                                12.992500
      50%
                0.750000
                           318.500000
                                        183.750000
                                                       3.500000
                                                                    0.250000
                                                                                18.950000
      75%
                0.830000
                           343.000000
                                        220.500000
                                                       4.250000
                                                                    0.400000
                                                                                31.667500
                0.980000
                           416.500000
                                        220.500000
                                                       5.000000
                                                                    0.400000
                                                                                43.100000
      max
                      Y2
      count
              768.000000
               24.587760
      mean
      std
                9.513306
      min
               10.900000
      25%
               15.620000
      50%
               22.080000
      75%
               33.132500
      max
               48.030000
[13]:
      df_reduced['X6'].nunique() # let's see how many distinct values
```

[13]: 4

We can see that X6 (building orientation) is a categorical feature. It has only 4 distinct values. We are going to make an one-hot encoding .

```
[14]: df_reduced = pd.get_dummies(df_reduced, columns=['X6'], prefix='X6', Gradient of the columns of the colum
```

```
[15]: df_reduced.head()
[15]:
        X1
             ХЗ
                  X4 X7 Y1 Y2 X6_3 X6_4 X6_5
         0 294 110
                       0 15 21
                                     0
                                           0
                                                 0
     1
         0 294 110
                       0 15 21
                                     1
                                          0
                                                 0
     2
        0 294 110 0 15 21
                                     0
                                                 0
                                          1
       0 294 110
                       0 15 21
                                          0
                                                 1
     3
                                     0
                                          0
                                                 0
     4
         0 318 122
                       0 20 28
                                     0
     4.2 Modeling
[16]: X = df_reduced[['X1', 'X3', 'X4', 'X7', 'X6_3', 'X6_4', 'X6_5']]
     y1 = df_reduced['Y1'] # Heating load
     y2 = df_reduced['Y2'] # Cooling load
[17]: X_train, X_test, y1_train, y1_test = train_test_split(X, y1, test_size=0.2,__
      →random_state=42)
     _, _, y2_train, y2_test = train_test_split(X, y2, test_size=0.2,_
       →random_state=42)
[18]: # linear regression model
     model_y1 = LinearRegression()
     model_y2 = LinearRegression()
     model y1.fit(X train, y1 train)
     model_y2.fit(X_train, y2_train)
[18]: LinearRegression()
[19]: # Predictions
     y1_pred = model_y1.predict(X_test)
     y2_pred = model_y2.predict(X_test)
     # Metrics
     print("Heating Load (Y1):")
     print("MSE:", mean_squared_error(y1_test, y1_pred))
     print("R2:", r2_score(y1_test, y1_pred))
     print("\nCooling Load (Y2):")
     print("MSE:", mean_squared_error(y2_test, y2_pred))
     print("R2:", r2_score(y2_test, y2_pred))
     Heating Load (Y1):
     MSE: 21.973172477698295
     R2: 0.7881295308330747
     Cooling Load (Y2):
```

```
MSE: 21.19970682421335
     R2: 0.7712300716000929
[20]: coeff_df_y1 = pd.DataFrame({'Feature': X.columns, 'Coefficient': model_y1.

coef })

      coeff_df_y2 = pd.DataFrame({'Feature': X.columns, 'Coefficient': model_y2.
       ⇔coef })
      print("\nCoefficients for Heating Load (Y1):")
      print(coeff_df_y1)
      print("\nCoefficients for Cooling Load (Y2):")
      print(coeff_df_y2)
     Coefficients for Heating Load (Y1):
       Feature Coefficient
     0
                  0.000000
            X1
     1
            ХЗ
                   0.048954
     2
            Х4
                 -0.179804
     3
          Х7
                 0.000000
     4
         X6_3
                  0.318751
     5
          X6_4
                  0.192900
          X6 5
                  -0.014860
     Coefficients for Cooling Load (Y2):
       Feature Coefficient
            Х1
                   0.000000
     0
     1
            Х3
                   0.040360
     2
            Х4
                  -0.171403
     3
            Х7
                  0.000000
     4
         X6_3
                 -0.267372
     5
                  -0.218451
          X6_4
     6
          X6_5
                  0.122052
     4.3 Decision tree
[21]: # decision tree model
      tree_y1 = DecisionTreeRegressor(random_state=42)
      tree_y2 = DecisionTreeRegressor(random_state=42)
      tree_y1.fit(X_train, y1_train)
      tree_y2.fit(X_train, y2_train)
[21]: DecisionTreeRegressor(random_state=42)
[22]: # Predictions
```

y1_pred = tree_y1.predict(X_test)

```
y2_pred = tree_y2.predict(X_test)
      # Metrics
      mse_y1 = mean_squared_error(y1_test, y1_pred)
      mse_y2 = mean_squared_error(y2_test, y2_pred)
      r2_y1 = r2_score(y1_test, y1_pred)
      r2_y2 = r2_score(y2_test, y2_pred)
      print("Heating Load (Y1):")
      print("MSE =", mse_y1)
      print("R<sup>2</sup> =", r2_y1)
      print("\nCooling Load (Y2):")
      print("MSE =", mse_y2)
      print("R2 =", r2_y2)
     Heating Load (Y1):
     MSE = 11.37836604869241
     R^2 = 0.8902871328418207
     Cooling Load (Y2):
     MSE = 8.741029898401292
     R^2 = 0.905673941598345
[23]: importance_y1 = pd.DataFrame({'Feature': X.columns, 'Importance': tree_y1.

→feature_importances_})
      importance_y2 = pd.DataFrame({'Feature': X.columns, 'Importance': tree_y2.

→feature_importances_})
      print("\nFeature Importance for Heating Load (Y1):")
      print(importance_y1.sort_values(by='Importance', ascending=False))
      print("\nFeature Importance for Cooling Load (Y2):")
      print(importance_y2.sort_values(by='Importance', ascending=False))
     Feature Importance for Heating Load (Y1):
       Feature Importance
     2
                  0.882722
            Х4
     1
            ХЗ
                  0.114560
     6
          X6 5
                 0.001073
     5
          X6_4
                 0.000980
     4
          X6_3
                  0.000665
     0
            X1
                  0.000000
     3
            X7
                  0.000000
     Feature Importance for Cooling Load (Y2):
```

```
Feature Importance
2
             0.879893
       Х4
1
       ХЗ
             0.115696
6
     X6 5
             0.002177
     X6 3
4
             0.001277
5
     X6 4
             0.000958
0
       Х1
             0.000000
3
       Х7
             0.000000
```

4.4 Random forest

```
[24]: param_grid = {
    'n_estimators': [100, 200, 300],
    'max_depth': [None, 10, 20, 30],
    'min_samples_split': [2, 5, 10],
    'min_samples_leaf': [1, 2, 4]
}
```

Fitting 5 folds for each of 108 candidates, totalling 540 fits

[33]: RandomForestRegressor(min_samples_leaf=4, min_samples_split=10, n_estimators=200, random_state=42)

Fitting 5 folds for each of 108 candidates, totalling 540 fits

[34]: RandomForestRegressor(min_samples_leaf=4, min_samples_split=10, n_estimators=200, random_state=42)

```
[35]: # Predict with best models
y1_pred = grid_y1.best_estimator_.predict(X_test)
y2_pred = grid_y2.best_estimator_.predict(X_test)
# Metrics
```

```
print("\nHeating Load (Y1):")
print("MSE =", mean_squared_error(y1_test, y1_pred))
print("R2 =", r2_score(y1_test, y1_pred))

print("\nCooling Load (Y2):")
print("MSE =", mean_squared_error(y2_test, y2_pred))
print("R2 =", r2_score(y2_test, y2_pred))
```

```
Heating Load (Y1):

MSE = 11.293551097709443

R^2 = 0.8911049384397774

Cooling Load (Y2):

MSE = 8.72317150953825

R^2 = 0.9058666547511925
```

4.5 Evaluation

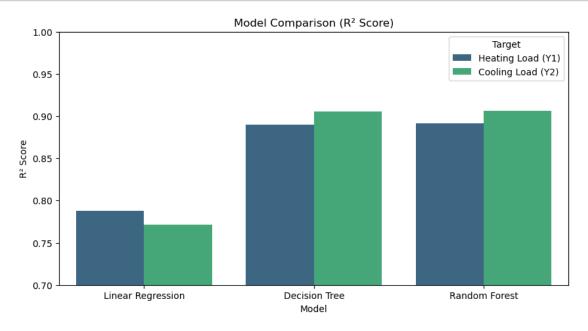
We have got complete results for all three models: linear regression, Decision tree and Random forest. Let analyse and visualize them. Let's create a dataframe for the results.

```
[28]:
                    Model
                                      Target
                                                MSE
                                                         R2
     O Linear Regression Heating Load (Y1)
                                              21.97 0.7881
     1 Linear Regression Cooling Load (Y2)
                                             21.20 0.7712
     2
            Decision Tree Heating Load (Y1) 11.38 0.8903
     3
            Decision Tree Cooling Load (Y2)
                                               8.74 0.9057
     4
            Random Forest Heating Load (Y1)
                                              11.29 0.8911
            Random Forest Cooling Load (Y2)
                                               8.72 0.9059
[29]: \# Plot R^2 Comparison
     plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
     sns.barplot(data=df_results, x="Model", y="R2", hue="Target", palette="viridis")
```

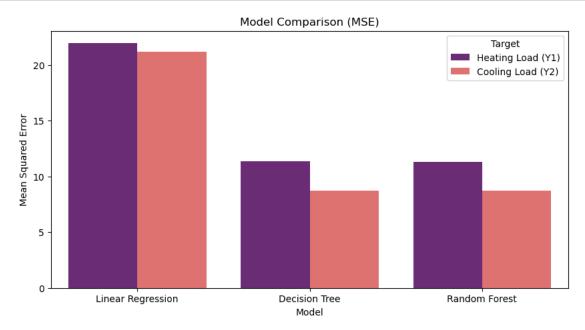
plt.title("Model Comparison (R2 Score)")

plt.ylabel("R2 Score")

```
plt.ylim(0.7, 1)
plt.show()
```



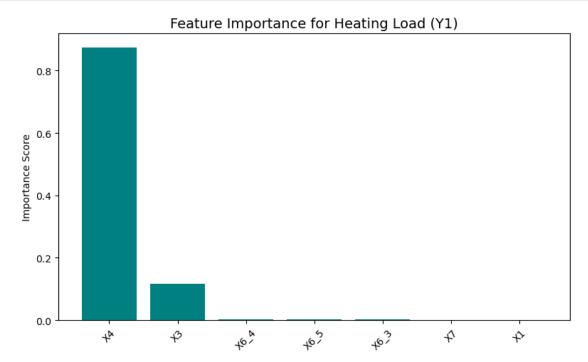
```
[30]: # Plot MSE Comparison
plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
sns.barplot(data=df_results, x="Model", y="MSE", hue="Target", palette="magma")
plt.title("Model Comparison (MSE)")
plt.ylabel("Mean Squared Error")
plt.show()
```

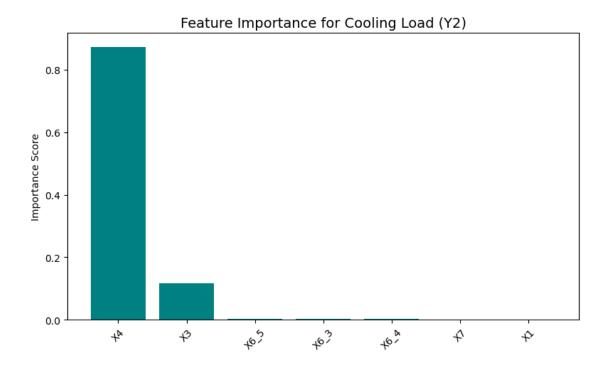


The linear regression is simple, interpretable, good baseline but limited accuracy. Decision tree is stronger, good for insight but may be overfit. The random forest model is highest accuracy, stable, handles nonlinearity. It is a recommended model.

```
[38]: # Feature Importance Plot Function
      def plot feature importance(model, features, title):
          importances = model.feature_importances_
          indices = np.argsort(importances)[::-1]
          sorted_features = [features[i] for i in indices]
          plt.figure(figsize=(8, 5))
          plt.title(title, fontsize=14)
          plt.bar(range(len(importances)), importances[indices], align='center', __
       ⇔color='teal')
          plt.xticks(range(len(importances)), sorted_features, rotation=45)
          plt.ylabel("Importance Score")
          plt.tight_layout()
          plt.show()
      # Plot feature importance for both models
      plot_feature_importance(grid_y1.best_estimator_, X.columns, "Feature Importance_

¬for Heating Load (Y1)")
      plot_feature_importance(grid_y2.best_estimator_, X.columns, "Feature Importance_
       ⇔for Cooling Load (Y2)")
```





- X4 is clearly the dominant feature for both heating and cooling predictions, it contributes about 88%-89% of the model's predictive power.
- X3 is the second most important (around 11-12%) still relevant but far less dominant. All other features (X6_3, X6_4, X6_5, X1, X7) have negligible influence, meaning the model relies mostly on X4 and X3 to make predictions.

4.6 Conclusion

After evaluating three models, Linear Regression, Decision Tree, and Random Forest, we found that the Random Forest Regressor consistently produced the best results for predicting both heating (Y1) and cooling (Y2) loads. The R² values (0.89–0.91) indicate strong predictive accuracy, while the low MSE confirms minimal error. Feature importance analysis revealed that X4 and X3 are the most influential predictors in both targets. Therefore, the Random Forest model is selected as the optimal model due to its robustness, generalization ability, and ability to handle nonlinear patterns that linear regression cannot capture.