

# **Capstone Project-2 Seoul Bike Sharing Demand Prediction**

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### **Problem Statement:**

- Currently, Rental bikes are introduced in many urban cities for the enhancement of mobility comfort.
- It is important to make the rental bike available and accessible to the public at the right time as it lessens the waiting time and provides the city with a stable supply of rental bikes.
- The goal of the project is to build an ML model that is able to predict the demand for rental bikes in the city of Seoul.



# **Data Summary:**



There are 8760 <u>rows</u> and 14 <u>columns</u> (Attribute) in the dataset.

- Date: year-month-day
- Rented Bike count Count of bikes rented at each hour
- Hour Hour of the day
- ➤ Temperature-Temperature in Celsius
- Humidity %
- ➤ Wind speed m/s
- Visibility 10m
- Dew point temperature Celsius
- ➤ Solar radiation MJ/m2
- Rainfall mm
- Snowfall cm
- Seasons Winter, Spring, Summer, Autumn
- ➤ Holiday Holiday/No holiday
- Functional Day No Func(Non-Functional Hours), Fun(Functional hours)



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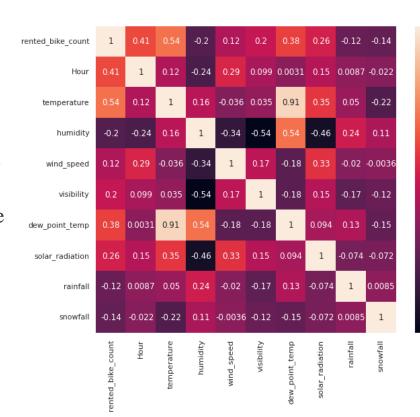
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# **Feature Engineering:**

The correlation matrix shows that **dew point temperature** and **temperature** are <u>highly</u> correlated(0.91). Hence we can drop the column from the dataset since it will not increase the accuracy of prediction and will only increase the model complexity.

There are **no missing values** in the dataset.



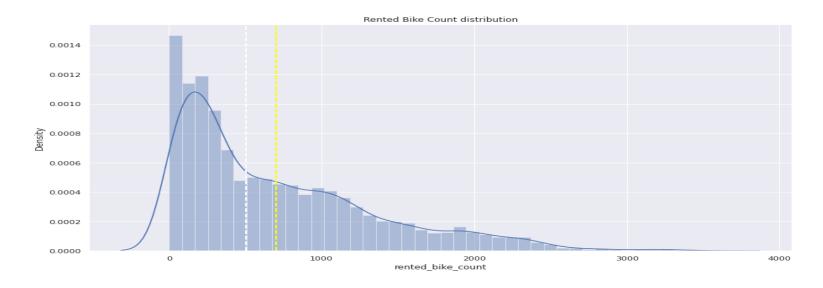


# **Exploratory Data Analysis:**

#### **Distribution of Dependent variable: -**

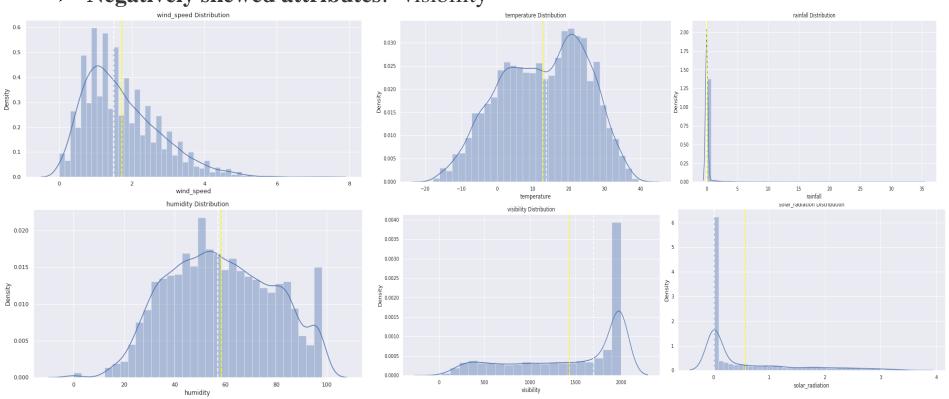
As we can see **rented bike count** (<u>Dependent variable</u>) is positively skewed.

**Rented bike count distribution: -** mean (yellow line) & median (white line)



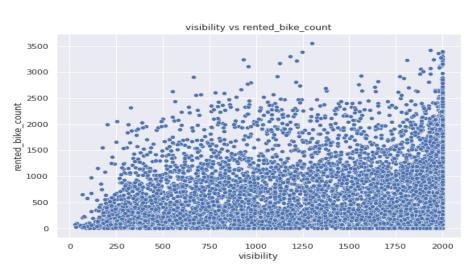
#### **Distribution of Attributes: -**

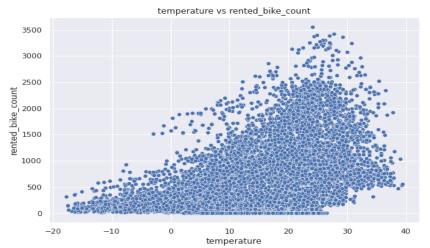
- ➤ Normally distributed attributes:- temperature and humidity
- **Positively skewed attributes**:- solar radiation, snowfall, rainfall and wind.
- ➤ Negatively skewed attributes:- visibility

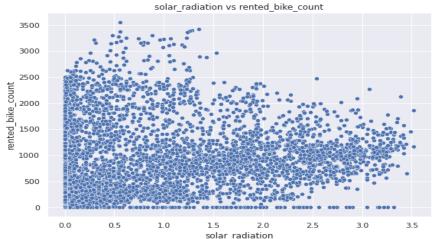


### Relation between **Continuous variable** and **Dependent variable** (EDA):

- The <u>temperature</u> and <u>visibility</u> are **positively correlated** with the dependent variable (<u>rented</u>
  <u>bike count</u>).
- The demand for the rental bike is less for a day with low temperature and less visibility.
- ➤ Higher the solar-radiation lower the rental bike demand.

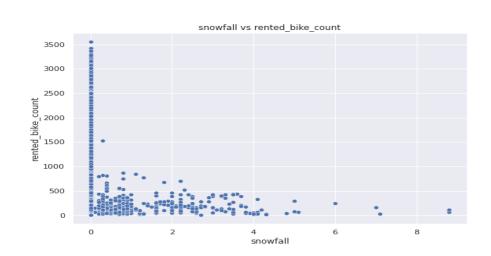


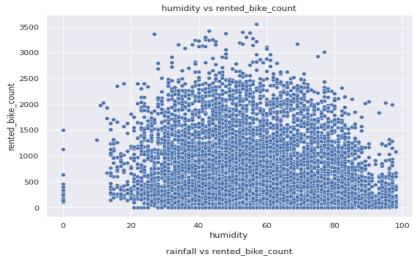


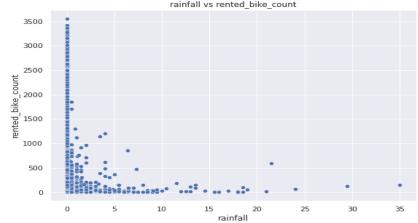


### Relation between **Continuous variable** and **Dependent variable** (EDA):

- Snowfall, Rainfall and humidity are negatively correlated with Rented bike count.
- The demand for the rental bike is typically lower when there is rainfall and snowfall.
- Higher humidity lowers the rental bike demand.



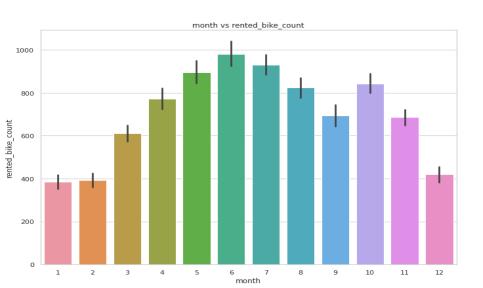


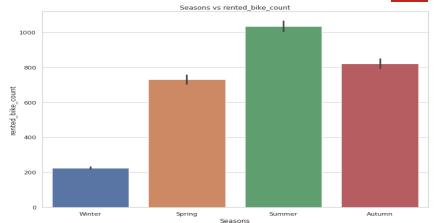


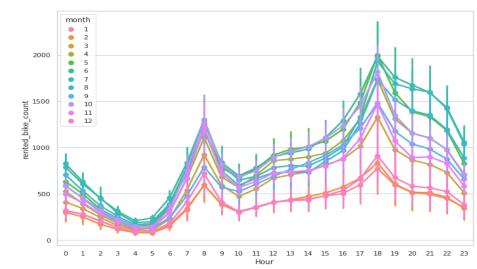
### Relation between **Categorical variable** and **Dependent variable** (EDA):

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- In the **Summer** season (May, June and July) demand for the rental bike is at its <u>peak</u>.
- In the **Winter** season (<u>Dec</u>, <u>Jan</u>, <u>Feb</u>) the rental bike demand is <u>low</u>.

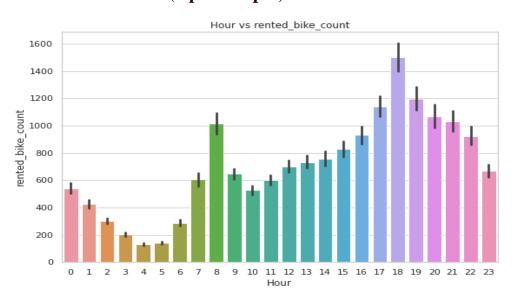


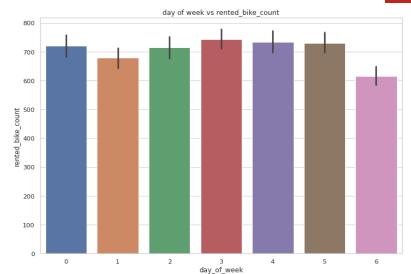


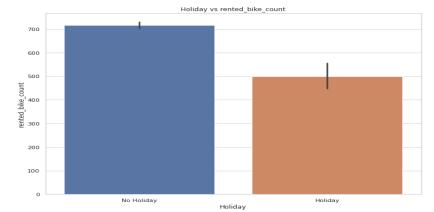


### Relation between <u>Categorical variable</u> and Dependent variable (EDA):

- The rented bike count on average was constant from Monday to Saturday. Demand was lower on Sunday (weekend) and holidays.
- which means the majority of clients are working professionals.
- There is a surge in demand for rental bike count during rush hours (4 pm to 9 pm).



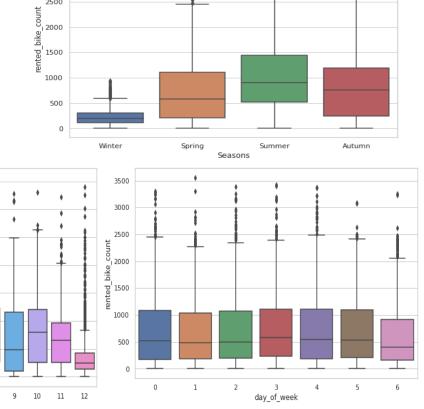


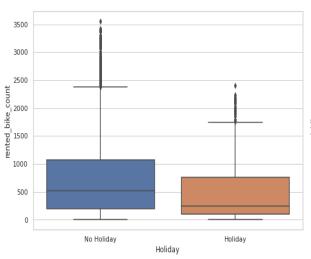


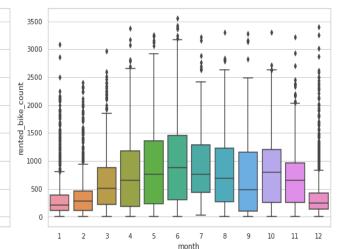


# **Checking for Outliers:**

- As we can see, there are some outliers present in the dataset.
- We have to consider them at the time of model building. We didn't drop them because if we do so, we may loose out important trends/patterns in the data.







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# **Modelling Approach:**

- We are working on a dataset which contains outliers. Hence we have to choose a model which is less sensitive to outliers.
- A dataset with many categorical independent variables which are not linearly related to a dependent variable. Hence it is not advisable to use linear models to make predictions. We can use tree models instead.
- List of Machine Learning algorithms which are less sensitive to outliers:
  - Decision Tree
  - Random Forest
  - > XG Boost
- Choose the model with the highest accuracy for deployment.



# **Modelling Approach:**

- Choice of a split is taken as K-fold cross-validation, with k=5, because of the computational power available and to reduce overfitting.
- Evaluation metrics MAE is robust to outliers and chooses a model that can generalize the results for all points, including outliers.

$$ext{MAE} = rac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |y_i - x_i|}{n}$$

where N is the number of data points, y(i) is the i-th measurement, and x(i) is its corresponding prediction.

➤ Hyperparameter tuning to prevent overfitting and the best parameters are chosen using GridsearchCV.



### **Decision Tree:**

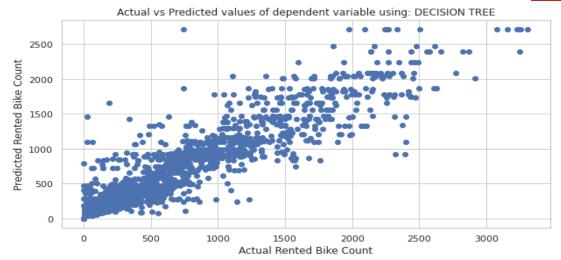
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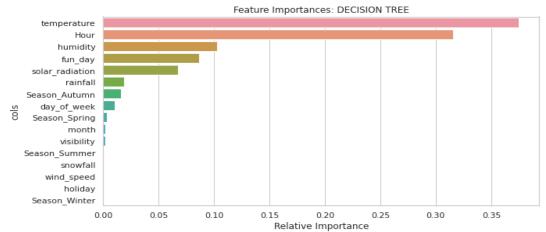
- $\rightarrow$  max\_depth = 18
- min\_sample\_leaf = 30

#### **Evaluation metrics: -**

- $\rightarrow$  MAE = 165.71
- $R2_{\text{test}} = 0.8386$
- $\triangleright$  Adjusted R2 for test = 0.8371

**Adjusted R Square** is roughly the same as **R Square** meaning the <u>model is quite</u> robust.







### **Random Forest:**

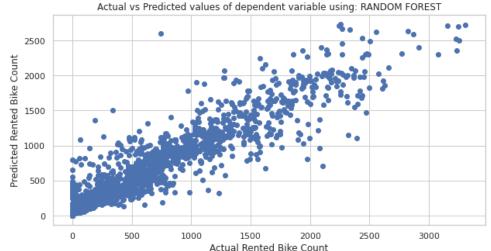
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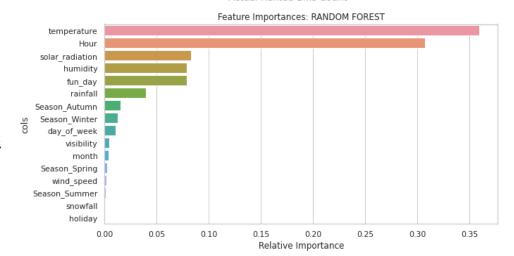
- $\rightarrow$  n\_estimators = 500
- $\rightarrow$  min\_sample\_leaf = 20

#### **Evaluation metrics: -**

- $\rightarrow$  MAE = 157.62
- ightharpoonup R2 test = 0.856
- $\rightarrow$  Adjusted R2 for test = 0.8550

**Adjusted R Square** is roughly the same as **R Square** meaning the <u>model is quite</u> robust.







### **XG Boost:**

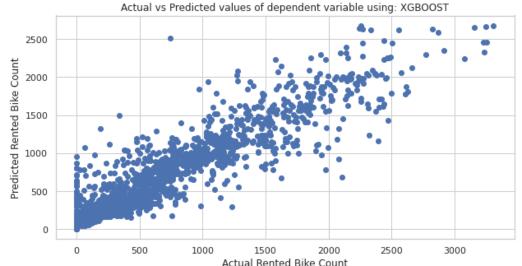
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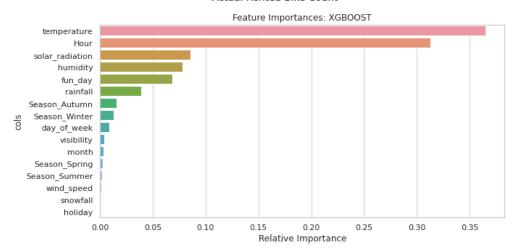
- $\rightarrow$  n\_estimators = 500
- min\_sample\_leaf = 25

#### **Evaluation metrics: -**

- $\rightarrow$  MAE = 167.105
- $R2_{\text{test}} = 0.8874$
- $\rightarrow$  Adjusted R2 for test = 0.8550

**Adjusted R Square** is roughly the same as **R Square** meaning the <u>model</u> is quite robust.







# **Model Comparison:**

➤ The **XG Boost** model has the **lowest MAE** compared to others.

Sl. No.	Regression Model	test_MAE	train_MAE	Train R2 Score (%)	Test R2 Score (%)
1	Decision Tree	165.71218660977652	154.09613067576998	86.09009686242055	83.86768563110701
2	Random Forests	157.62253922081365	138.47699424532254	88.84561534385928	85.63540395467903
3	XG Boost	144.9873499474637	124.15145121783988	91.49361689298823	88.48309856060598

Lower the MAE better in model performance.

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### **Conclusion:**

- The demand for rental bikes was **highest in the summer** season and **lowest in the winter** season.
- May-July are peak months to rent a bike. Dec-Feb is the least preferred month for bike renting.
- The rental bike demand was more on a weekday than on weekends. The majority of **clients** belong to the working class.
- The temperature of 20-30 Degrees, evening time 4 pm- 8 pm and the humidity between 40%-60% are the most favourable parameters where the Bike demand is at its peak.
- Fractors for the bike rent demand.
- The **XG Boost** model has the **lowest** test **MAE**. A low MAE value indicates that the simulated and observed data are close to each other and show better accuracy. Thus **lower MAE** is better **for model performance**. (XG Boost model with an **accuracy of 88.48%**)