

A prediction model that identify how many R&D cost is good for IBM's stock price

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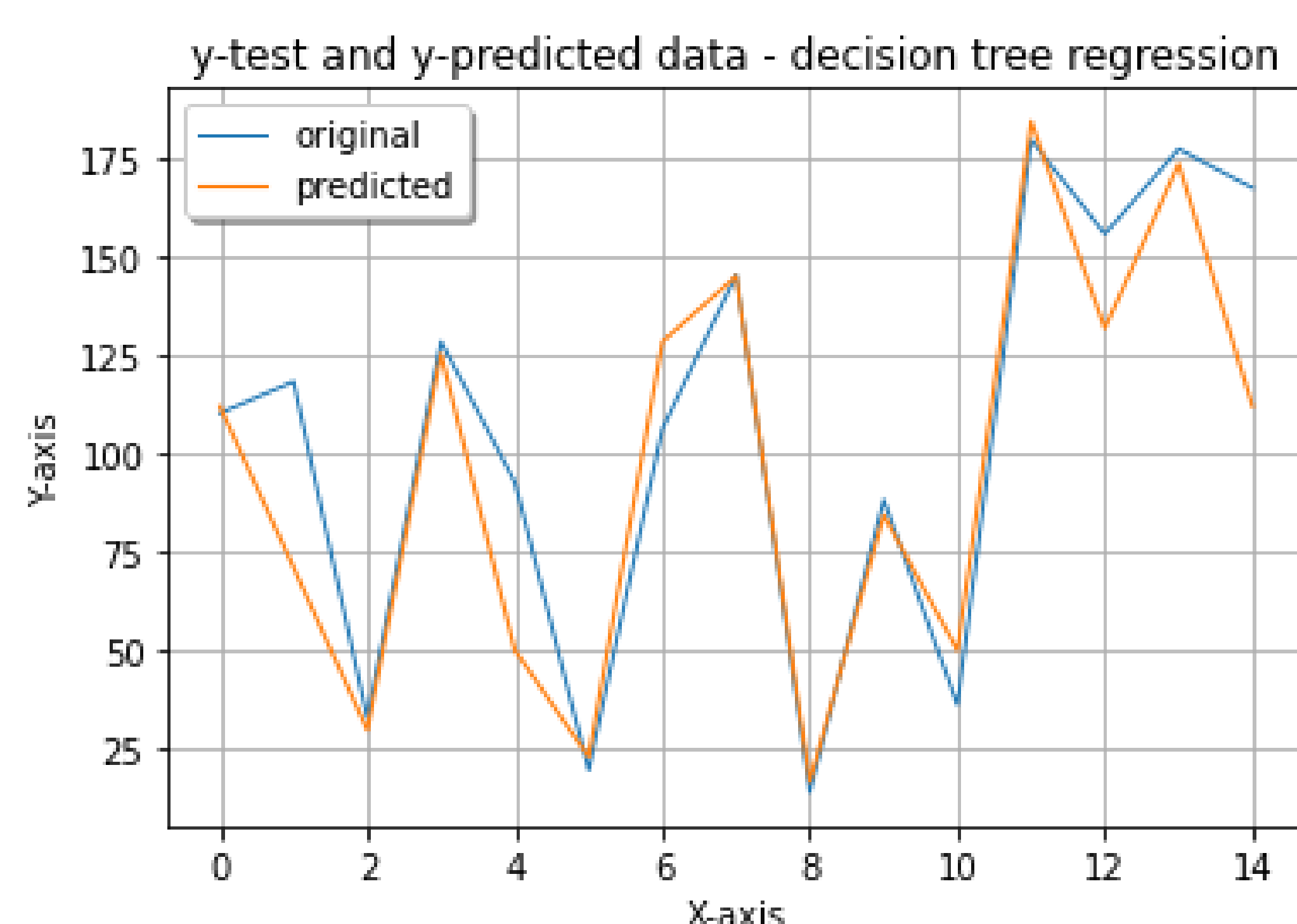
Introduction

Accurate prediction is hard in chaotic commercial system. However, the logic of analysis financial report give a new idea to revisit the process that people evaluate a company by accounting experience. Accounting is the process of recording financial transactions pertaining to a business and historic standard which is designed by experts. We could build a relation to quickly analysis their accounting's change. It is hard to find an explainable mathematics model between R&D and company's developing potential, but it is reasonable for the relation and exploring its application.

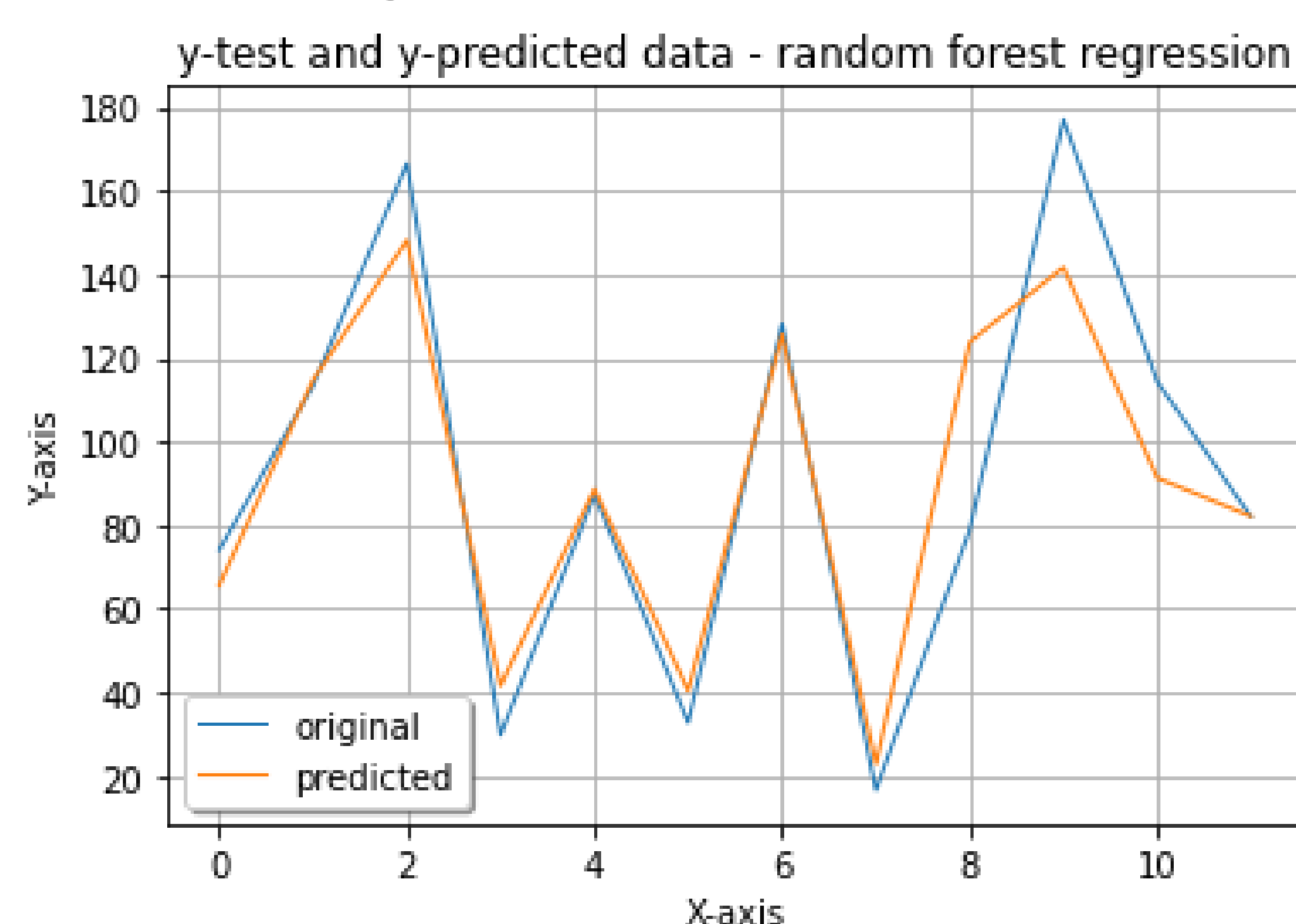
	Date	R&D	Nasdaq_value	stockprice
0	1994-06-30	1.091000e+09	705.960022	14.041587
1	1994-09-30	1.053000e+09	764.289978	16.640774
3	1995-03-31	9.130000e+08	817.210022	19.628345
4	1995-06-30	9.740000e+08	933.450012	22.944551
9	1996-09-30	1.115000e+09	1226.920044	29.756214
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104	2020-06-30	1.582000e+09	10058.769531	115.458893
105	2020-09-30	1.515000e+09	11167.509766	116.319313
106	2020-12-31	1.611000e+09	12888.280273	120.344170
107	2021-03-31	1.630000e+09	13246.870117	127.399620
108	2021-06-30	1.657000e+09	14503.950195	140.143402

Methodology

Decision tree regression



Random Forest regression

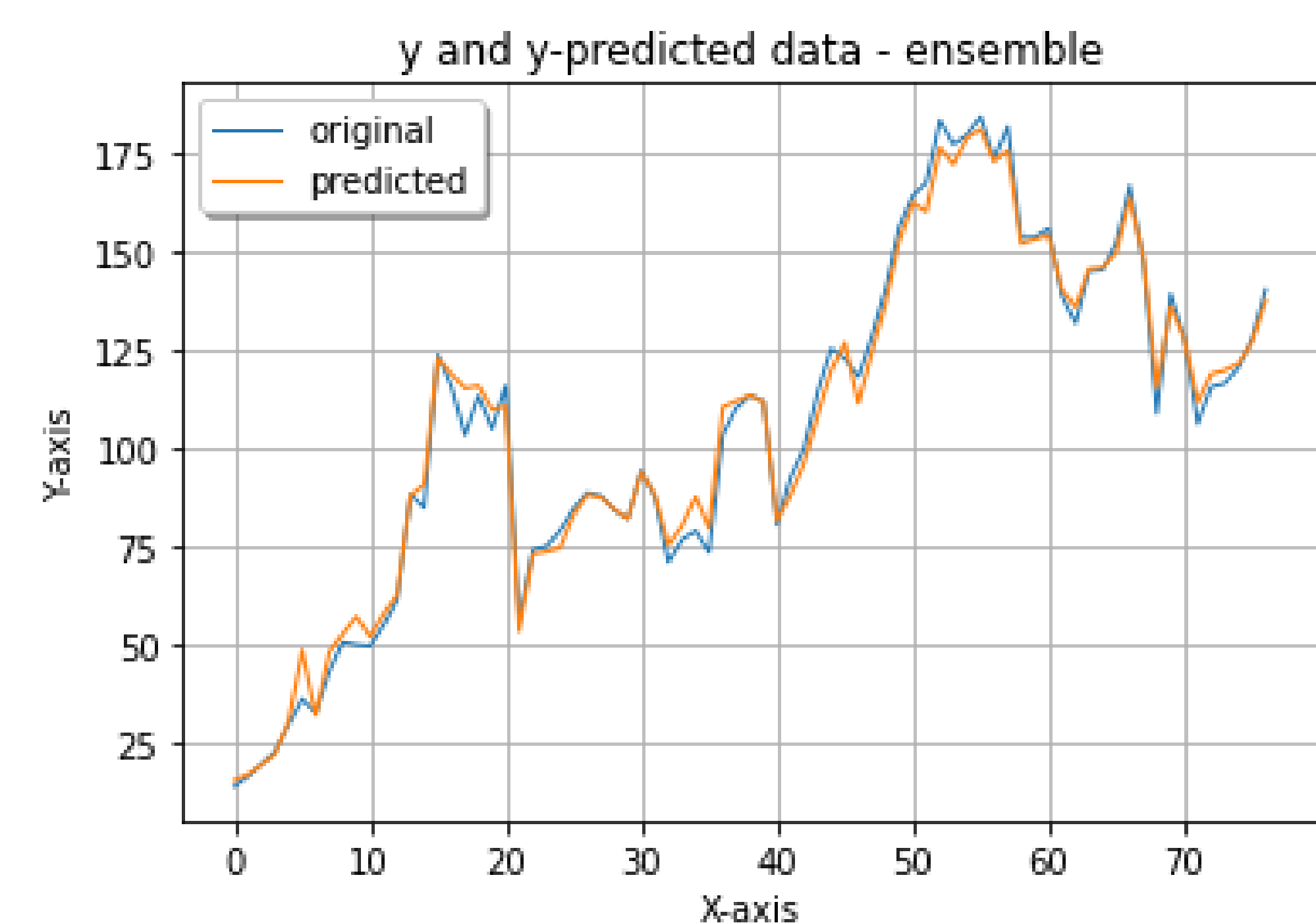


Ensemble methods – voting regression

Ensemble methods is a machine learning technique that combines several base models in order to produce one optimal predictive model

Results

	Decision tree	Random forest	Voting regression
R-squared	0.81	0.95	0.99
MSE	562.89	371.75	16.45
RMSE	15.42	185.88	3.05



The result will indicate the relation between R&D and IBM's stock price, which remind users to have a better budget in R&D for next year

Conclusion

1. Time series data is a way to load massive accounting data in regression model.
2. Decision tree regression and random forest regression can treat non-linear issues and less feature.
3. Random forest also is a suitable addition by voting model. It often adapt in same conditions because random forest is a bagging of decision tree.
4. The model reach the intended result that accuracy is 99%. R&D could build an accurate relationship with IBM's stock price, which is a workable method to predict the company's value then guide R&D management

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