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Problem Statement:

Stock market prediction is an important challenge in finance and data science. The goal of this project is to predict stock prices using two approaches:

Machine Learning (ML): Random Forest Regressor

Deep Learning (DL): Neural Network

- Stock market prices fluctuate daily, making accurate prediction challenging.
- Investors and analysts need reliable tools to estimate future price trends.
- Traditional methods (moving averages, statistical models) often fail on noisy data.
- Machine Learning (ML) can capture non-linear patterns in historical stock data.
- Deep Learning (DL) provides advanced capabilities to learn from complex features.
- This project aims to compare ML and DL models on a regression problem.
- Dataset consists of 100 days of synthetic stock prices with noise added.
- Independent variable: Day, Dependent variable: Price.
- ML approach: Random Forest Regressor.
- DL approach: Neural Network (Dense layers with dropout).

Project Plan:

A Project Plan is a structured roadmap that describes how a project will be executed, monitored, and completed.

- Define the objective: Predict stock price using regression.
- Collect/create dataset (synthetic data for demonstration).
- Preprocess data: scaling using StandardScaler.
- Split dataset into training and testing sets (80%-20%).
- Build ML model using Random Forest Regressor.
- Build DL model using a Neural Network with dense layer.
- Train both models on training data.
- Evaluate models using metrics (MSE, MAE, R²).
- Visualize predictions and learning history.
- Compare ML vs DL results to analyze performance.
- Train DL model with 100 epochs and validation.
- Compare ML and DL predictions on test set.
- Visualize RF vs DL results with line plots.
- Analyze results using metrics (MSE, R², MAE).
- Document observations and finalize report.

Product Backlog:

A project backlog is a list of tasks, features, or work items that need to be completed in a project.

- Define Problem Statement Clearly describe the task of predicting stock prices using regression models (ML + DL).
- Collect / Generate Dataset Use a sample dataset (days vs price) or fetch real stock market data.
- Explore Dataset View first rows, check summary statistics, and understand data structure.
- Preprocess Data Select features (day) and target (price), handle missing values (if any).
- Feature Scaling Apply StandardScaler to normalize feature values.
- Split Dataset Divide into training and testing sets (e.g., 80%-20%).
- Build ML Model Implement Random Forest Regressor as baseline machine learning model.
- Train ML Model Fit Random Forest model using training dataset.
- Evaluate ML Model Calculate metrics like MSE and R² for Random Forest.
- Build DL Model Create Neural Network with dense layers and dropout for regression.

Implementation:

- Dataset: Generated synthetic stock prices (days vs price with noise).
- Preprocessing: StandardScaler applied to normalize features.
- Train-Test Split: 80% training, 20% testing data.
- ML Model: Random Forest Regressor with 100 trees.
- DL Model: Neural Network with 64-32 hidden layers + Dropout.
- Training: DL trained for 100 epochs, batch size = 8.
- Evaluation Metrics: MSE, MAE (DL) and R² (ML).
- Visualization: Scatter plots (RF), Training loss curves (DL).
- Comparison: Overplayed actual vs predicted (RF vs DL).
- Result: Random Forest performed well on small dataset,
- DL showed potential for larger datasets.

Program to demonstrate stack price prediction using regression model with ML

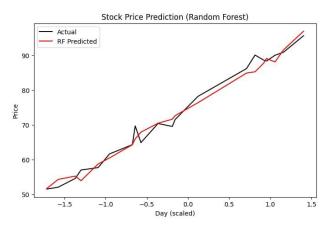
```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error, r2 score
np.random.seed(42)
days = np.arange(1, 101)
price = 50 + 0.5 * days + np.random.normal(0, 2, size=100)
df = pd.DataFrame({"day": days, "price": price})
print("First 5 rows of dataset:\n", df.head())
X = df[['day']]
y = df['price']
scaler = StandardScaler()
X scaled = scaler.fit transform(X)
X train, X test, y train, y test = train test split(
  X scaled, y, test size=0.2, random state=42
rf model = RandomForestRegressor(n estimators=100, random state=42)
rf model.fit(X train, y train)
y_pred_rf = rf_model.predict(X_test)
print("\n Random Forest Results:")
print("MSE:", mean squared error(y test, y pred rf))
print("R2 Score:", r2 score(y test, y pred rf))
```

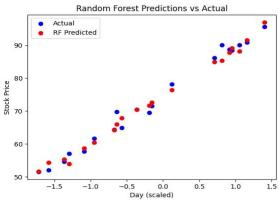
```
plt.scatter(X test, y test, color='blue', label="Actual")
plt.scatter(X test, y pred rf, color='red', label="RF Predicted")
plt.title("Random Forest Predictions vs Actual")
plt.xlabel("Day (scaled)")
plt.ylabel("Stock Price")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
y \text{ test array} = np.array(y \text{ test})
sorted idx = np.argsort(X test.flatten())
plt.figure(figsize=(8,5))
plt.plot(X test.flatten()[sorted idx], y test array[sorted idx], label="Actual", color="black")
plt.plot(X test.flatten()[sorted idx], y pred rf[sorted idx], label="RF Predicted", color="red")
plt.title("Stock Price Prediction (Random Forest)")
plt.xlabel("Day (scaled)")
plt.ylabel("Price")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

OUTPUT:

Random Forest Results:

MSE: 4.0807103809295615 R2 Score: 0.9802872047844202





Program to demonstrate stack price prediction using regression model with DL

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import tensorflow as tf
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense, Dropout
np.random.seed(42)
days = np.arange(1, 101)
price = 50 + 0.5 * days + np.random.normal(0, 2, size=100)
df = pd.DataFrame({"day": days, "price": price})
print("First 5 rows of dataset:\n", df.head())
X = df[['day']]
y = df['price']
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
scaler = StandardScaler()
X scaled = scaler.fit transform(X)
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
  X scaled, y, test size=0.2, random state=42
dl model = Sequential([
  Dense(64, activation='relu', input shape=(X train.shape[1],)),
  Dropout(0.2),
```

```
Dense(32, activation='relu'),
  Dense(1) # Regression output (no activation)
])
dl model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='mse', metrics=['mae'])
history = dl model.fit(X train, y train, validation data=(X test, y test),
              epochs=100, batch size=8, verbose=0)
dl mse, dl mae = dl model.evaluate(X test, y test, verbose=0)
print("\n Deep Learning Results:")
print("MSE:", dl mse)
print("MAE:", dl mae)
plt.plot(history.history['loss'], label='Train Loss')
plt.plot(history.history['val loss'], label='Val Loss')
plt.title("DL Model Training Loss (MSE)")
plt.xlabel("Epochs")
plt.ylabel("Loss")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
y pred dl = dl model.predict(X test).flatten()
y \text{ test array} = np.array(y \text{ test})
sorted idx = np.argsort(X test.flatten())
plt.figure(figsize=(8,5))
plt.plot(X test.flatten()[sorted idx], y test array[sorted idx], label="Actual", color="black")
plt.plot(X test.flatten()[sorted idx], y pred dl[sorted idx], label="DL Predicted", color="green")
plt.title("Stock Price Prediction with Deep Learning")
plt.xlabel("Day (scaled)")
```

plt.ylabel("Price")

plt.legend()

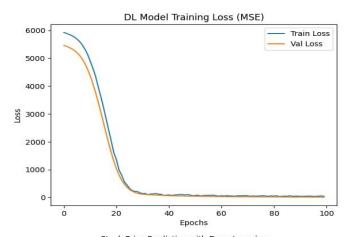
plt.show()

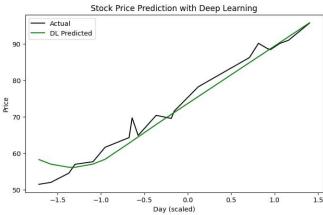
OUTPUT:

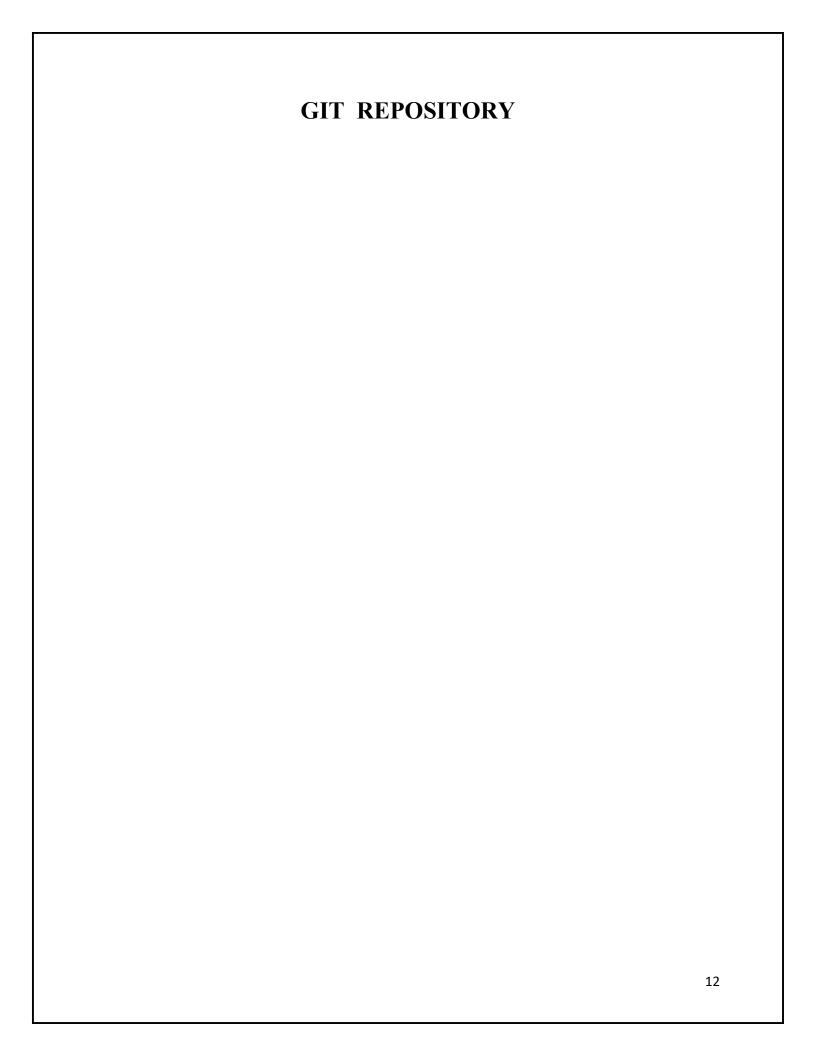
Deep Learning Results:

MSE: 7.991880893707275

MAE: 2.009674072265625







Problem Statement:

- The project focuses on predicting student performance as Pass/Fail.
- It uses machine learning (Random Forest) and deep learning (Neural Network) for classification.
- Input features include study hours, attendance, parent support, and previous scores.
- Target variable is binary: pass or fail.
- The project compares ML vs DL approaches.
- Dataset is a small synthetic dataset with 15 student record
- The study aims to help in early identification of at-risk students.
- It uses supervised learning techniques.
- The ML part is implemented with scikit-learn RandomForestClassifier.
- The DL part is implemented with TensorFlow Keras Sequential API.
- Evaluation metrics include accuracy, confusion matrix, classification report.
- Feature scaling ensures fair comparison between models.

Project Plan:

- Define the problem statement clearly.
- Collect or simulate student dataset.
- Perform data preprocessing (encoding + scaling).
- Split dataset into training and testing sets.
- Implement Random Forest classifier.
- Train the RF model and evaluate accuracy.
- Visualize feature importance for ML.
- Build a Neural Network model using Keras.
- Train the DL model with proper validation.
- Monitor training vs validation accuracy.
- Compare ML vs DL model performance.
- Document challenges in data preprocessing.
- Prepare visualizations for clarity.
- Analyze which model works best with the dataset.
- Summarize findings in a final report.

Product Backlog:

- Dataset preparation (manual or real-world).
- Handle categorical encoding.
- Feature scaling implementation.
- ML model (Random Forest).
- Train-test split design.
- Evaluate ML with metrics.
- Visualize ML feature importance.
- DL model architecture design.
- Compile and train DL model.
- Plot training history (accuracy curves).
- Evaluate DL model accuracy.
- Compare ML and DL results.
- Documentation of results.
- Add visualization for better interpretability.
- Create final project report.

Implementation:

- Used pandas and matplotlib for dataset handling and visualization.
- Encoded categorical data (parental support, pass/fail labels).
- Applied StandardScaler for normalization of numeric features.
- Splitted dataset into 80% train, 20% test.
- ML Model: RandomForestClassifier with 100 trees.
- DL Model: Sequential Neural Network with ReLU layers and dropout for regularization.
- Output layer used sigmoid activation for binary classification.
- Trained DL model for 50 epochs with validation monitoring.
- Evaluated models with accuracy, confusion matrix, and classification report.
- Plotted feature importance (ML) and training accuracy (DL).

Program to demonstrate stack price prediction using Classification model with ML

```
import pandas as pd
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder, StandardScaler
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion matrix, classification report
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
data = {
  'study hours': [2, 5, 7, 1, 3, 8, 4, 6, 9, 2, 5, 7, 3, 8, 6],
  'attendance': [70, 90, 85, 60, 75, 95, 80, 88, 96, 65, 85, 92, 78, 94, 89],
  'parent support': ['low', 'medium', 'high', 'low', 'medium',
               'high', 'medium', 'high', 'high', 'low',
               'medium', 'high', 'medium', 'high', 'medium'],
  'previous score': [40, 65, 78, 30, 55, 85, 60, 70, 90, 35, 68, 80, 58, 87, 72],
  'pass fail': ['fail', 'pass', 'pass', 'fail', 'fail',
           'pass', 'fail', 'pass', 'pass', 'fail',
           'pass', 'pass', 'fail', 'pass', 'pass']
}
df = pd.DataFrame(data)
le = LabelEncoder()
df['parent support'] = le.fit transform(df['parent support'])
y = LabelEncoder().fit transform(df['pass fail'])
X = df.drop('pass fail', axis=1)
X = StandardScaler().fit transform(X)
```

```
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)

rf_model = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)

rf_model.fit(X_train, y_train)

y_pred = rf_model.predict(X_test)

print("\nRandom Forest Results:")

print("\nConfusion Matrix:\n", confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred))

print("\nConfusion Report:\n", classification_report(y_test, y_pred))

feat_importances = pd.Series(rf_model.feature_importances_, index=df.drop('pass_fail', axis=1).columns)

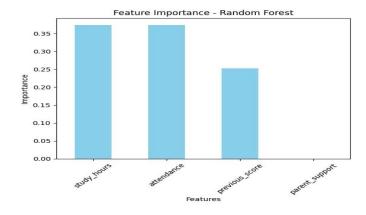
feat_importances.nlargest(4).plot(kind='barh', color="skyblue")

plt.title("Feature Importance - Random Forest")

plt.show()
```

OUTPUT:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	1.00	1.00	1.00	2
1	1.00	1.00	1.00	1
accuracy			1.00	3
macro av	g 1.00	1.00	1.00	3
weighted	avg 1.00	1.00	1.00	3



Program to demonstrate stack price prediction using Classification model with DL

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import tensorflow as tf
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense, Dropout
data = {
  'study hours': [2, 5, 7, 1, 3, 8, 4, 6, 9, 2, 5, 7, 3, 8, 6],
  'attendance': [70, 90, 85, 60, 75, 95, 80, 88, 96, 65, 85, 92, 78, 94, 89],
  'parent support': ['low', 'medium', 'high', 'low', 'medium',
               'high', 'medium', 'high', 'high', 'low',
               'medium', 'high', 'medium', 'high', 'medium'],
  'previous score': [40, 65, 78, 30, 55, 85, 60, 70, 90, 35, 68, 80, 58, 87, 72],
  'pass fail': ['fail', 'pass', 'pass', 'fail', 'fail',
            'pass', 'fail', 'pass', 'pass', 'fail',
           'pass', 'pass', 'fail', 'pass', 'pass']
}
df = pd.DataFrame(data)
print("First 5 rows of dataset:\n", df.head())
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
```

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder, StandardScaler
le = LabelEncoder()
df['parent support'] = le.fit transform(df['parent support'])
X = df.drop('pass fail', axis=1)
y = df['pass fail']
y = LabelEncoder().fit transform(y)
scaler = StandardScaler()
X scaled = scaler.fit transform(X)
X train, X test, y train, y test = train test split(
  X scaled, y, test size=0.2, random state=42
dl model = Sequential([
  Dense(32, activation='relu', input_shape=(X_train.shape[1],)),
  Dropout(0.2),
  Dense(16, activation='relu'),
  Dropout(0.2),
  Dense(1, activation='sigmoid') # Binary classification
])
dl model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='binary crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
history = dl model.fit(X train, y train, validation data=(X test, y test),
              epochs=50, batch size=4, verbose=0)
dl loss, dl acc = dl model.evaluate(X test, y test, verbose=0)
print("\n Deep Learning Results:")
print("Accuracy:", dl acc)
plt.plot(history.history['accuracy'], label='Train Accuracy')
```

```
plt.plot(history.history['val_accuracy'], label='Val Accuracy')
plt.title("DL Model Training History")
plt.xlabel("Epochs")
plt.ylabel("Accuracy")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

OUTPUT:

study_	hours	attendance	parent_support	previous_score	pass_fail
0	2	70	low	40	fail
1	5	90	medium	65	pass
2	7	85	high	78	pass
3	1	60	low	30	fail
4	3	75	medium	55	fail

