CAR PRICE PREDICTION

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INTRODUCTION

An automobile company is entering the market and it is planning to set up a manufacturing unit here. It also plans to produce cars locally to give competition to existing companies. They have planned to do a contract with an automobile consulting company to understand the factors on which the pricing of the cars depends. Specifically, they want to understand the main features about a car that has more effect on its pricing.

The company wants to know:

- Which variables are significant in predicting the price of a car
- How well those variables describe the price of a car

In our project we have planned to solve the same problem. We want to model the price of cars with the available independent variables. We have split every model into a training and testing set. We have used independent variables in the training set to predict the price and correspondingly check the accuracy of the models with the actual price in the testing set. We have made 12 different models and fit single as well as multi variables in that model according to analysis. We have used many python libraries such as sklearn, matplot, seaborn, etc.

This provides a solution for the company to manage and understand the variation of prices with the variables. They can accordingly manipulate the design of the cars, the business strategy etc to meet certain price levels. Further, the model will be a good way for management to understand the pricing dynamics of a new market.

DATA SET

Our dataset consists of 205 rows and 26 columns. The rows include the no of data per car. The column includes independent variables or features of the car. The variables are:

• Car id:

The id of the car given

Data type: int Examples: 205, 103

• Symboling:

The degree to which the auto is more risky than its price indicates.

Data type: int Examples: 3,2,1

Car Name :

The name of the car Data type: object

Examples: alfa romeo stelvio, audi 100 ls

• Fuel type:

The type of fuel used in the engine

Data type: object Examples: gas, diesel

• Car body:

Its the vehicle frame of the car

Data type: object

Examples: convertible, sedan

• Drive wheel:

Wheel and tire assembly that pushes or pulls a vehicle down the road.

Data type: object

Examples: fwd,rwd,awd

• Engine location:

The location of engine Data type: object Examples: front,rear

• Wheel base:

The horizontal distance between the centers of the front and rear wheels.

Data type: float

Examples: 172.2, 176.6

• Car length, width and height:

The dimensions of the car

Data type: float

Examples: 168.8, 64.1, 48.4

• Curb weight:

The weight of the vehicle including a full tank of fuel and all standard equipment

Data type: int

Examples: 2548, 2823

• Engine type:

The type of the engine

Data type: int

Examples: dohc,ohcv

• Cylinder number:

The number of cylinders in the car

Data type: object Examples: four,eight

• Engine size:

The size of the engine

Data type: int Examples: 90,98

• Fuel system:

The system used in the car

Data type: object Examples: mpfi,2bbl

• Bore ratio:

The ratio of bore to stroke

Data type: float Examples: 3.47,2.68

• Stroke:

A phase of the engine's cycle, during which the piston travels from top to bottom or vice

versa.

Data type: float Examples: 3.47,2.68

• Horsepower:

Power produced in a car

Data type: int Examples: 154,115

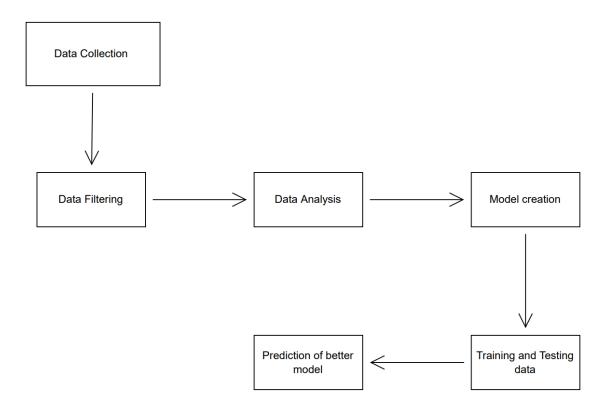
• Price :

The price of the specific car

Data type: float Examples: 13950, 17450

METHODOLOGY

Approach for car price prediction proposed in this paper is composed of several steps as shown



Data is collected from a dataset from Kaggle. It consists of 205 rows each of the car and its information. It includes columns such as fueltype, horsepower, cylinder number etc. But this data was not ready to be used. We have to filter and process the data before we put regression on it. We first understood the structure and features of the data.

Firstly, the company names of the cars were very vast. So, we have filtered the names of cars with the actual names of the company. For instance, alfa-romeo giulia and

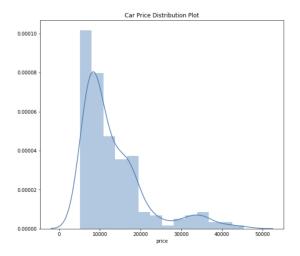
alfa-romeo stelvio are cars from same company but different name. We have only considered the company name like alfa romeo.

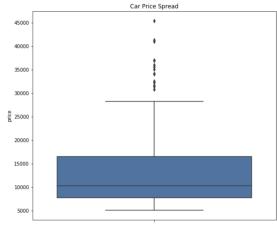
Second task was to remove any errors. The company names were misspelt which made them different data. So, we corrected some names as show:

- maxda = mazda
- Nissan = nissan
- porsche = porcshce
- toyota = toyouta
- vokswagen = volkswagen = vw

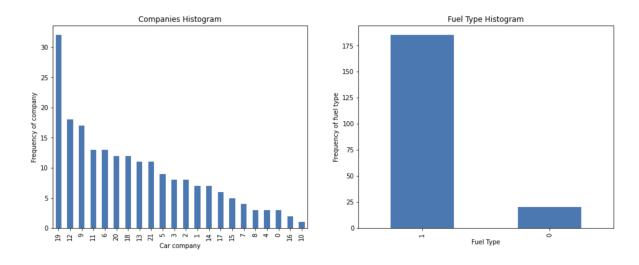
Third task was to remove the duplicates from the dataset if there were any. Fourth and main task was to encode our data. We have a lot of strings in our data, but our regression model cannot take strings as an input. So, we used labelEncoder to transform string into int value according to the set. Now our data is filtered and ready to be used.

We move on to data analysis and visualisation. We crossed checked every independent variable and how it varies in the data set with the price. We have visualised the spread of the variable with the price and accordingly selected the variable for the model.

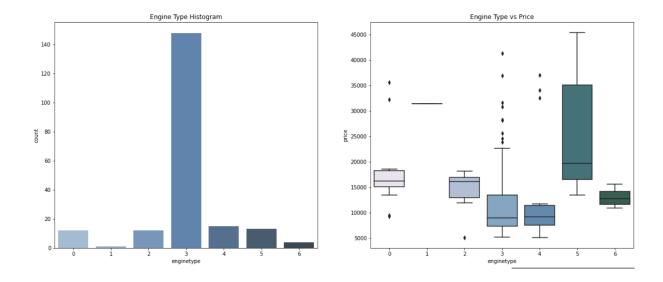




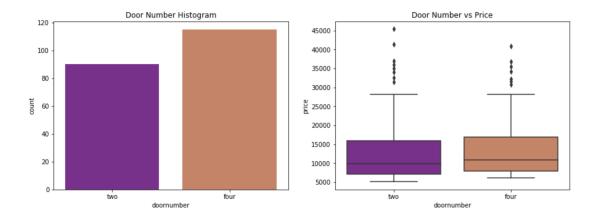
- The plot seemed to be right-skewed, meaning that the most prices in the dataset are low(Below 15,000).
- There is a significant difference between the mean and the median of the price distribution.
- The data points are far spread out from the mean, which indicates a high variance in the car prices.(85% of the prices are below 18,500, whereas the remaining 15% are between 18,500 and 45,400.

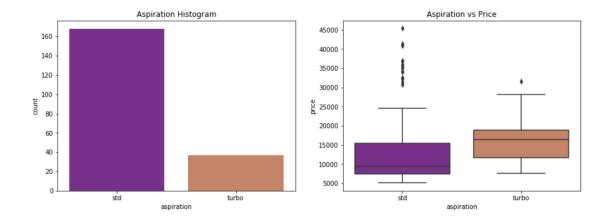


In the histogram bar graph, we can see that there is much variation in the company name but the fuel type histogram is not useful as there are only two types petrol and diesel.

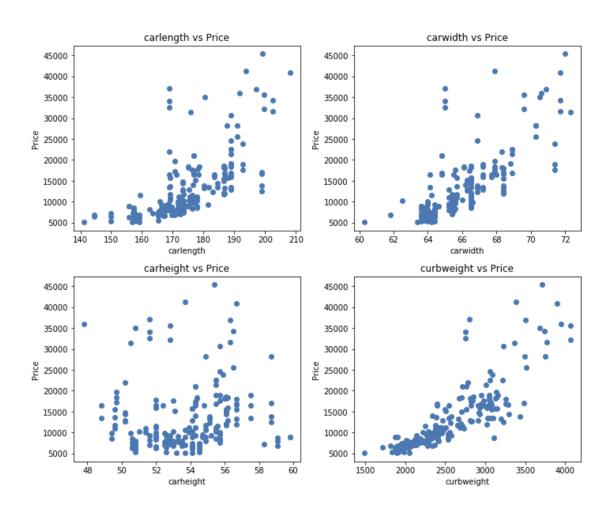


Here we can analyse how much the different types of engines are varying the prices. Third engine type is the most used of all the data. But the fifth is the one which has highest price range and others have low price range.





Door-number variable is not affecting the price much. There is no significant difference between the categories in it. It seems aspiration with turbo has a higher price range than the std(though it has some high values outside the whiskers)



carwidth, carlength and curbweight seems to have a positive correlation with price. carheight doesn't show any significant trend with price.

Now that we've analysed the data, we have to fit the data in the models. We've used 12 models. 6 of them are of single variables like highwaympg, citympg, horsepower, enginesize, wheelbase and boreratio. Some showed less accuracy, so we are going to further use the ones which show more accuracy and less MSE. Then there are 5 models which are made to test combined variables.

We have used the sklearn python library to split the testing and training set. There is a separate table for actual price for testing of the models. We first define the model, put our variable or combined variables in it and then determine the size of the testing set. We have also imported LinearRegression from sklearn and used that to predict the prices from the model. Then we test it in the testing set. We calculate the mean squared error of the predicted and actual prices of cars. We also determine the accuracy of the model.

Example:

Model(Prediction using enginesize):

The predicted values by this model is:
[11992.72061451 43483.43893767 5292.56777979 12327.72825624
10317.68240583 10150.17858496 6967.60598847 8140.13273455
26900.56067175 11992.72061451 8140.13273455]

MSE: 6144.821980004657

Accuracy: 73.9279943295746

RESULTS

• Prediction using highway mpg

The predicted values by this model is:
[10638.16701235 24530.06133791 19127.65798908 12181.7108263
13725.25464025 12953.48273328 7551.07938445 7551.07938445
19899.42989605 18355.8860821 8322.85129143]
MSE: 8670.001912036572
Accuracy: 48.09679008820164

Prediction using citympg

The predicted values by this model is:
[11734.92618908 22175.03540292 20568.86475464 13341.09683736
14947.26748565 13341.09683736 8522.58489252 6916.41424423
20568.86475464 18159.60878221 8522.58489252]
MSE: 9208.007813681877
Accuracy: 41.45535335870263

• Prediction using horsepower

The predicted values by this model is:

[12014.45095302 25636.4747883 17964.30044429 10605.27607351
14989.37569866 10605.27607351 7473.77634126 7473.77634126
25323.32481508 11701.30097979 7630.35132787]

MSE: 7443.064297724783

Accuracy: 61.74753978061042

• Prediction using enginesize

The predicted values by this model is:

[11992.72061451 43483.43893767 5292.56777979 12327.72825624
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26900.56067175 11992.72061451 8140.13273455]

MSE: 6144.821980004657

Accuracy: 73.9279943295746

Prediction using wheelbase

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The predicted values by this model is:
[12056.54837176 29342.8676904 10670.72530402 11400.10586599 11400.10586599 14390.56617006 9503.71640487 14390.56617006 16651.64591216 24456.01792522 10087.22085445]
MSE: 8913.165800009598
Accuracy: 45.14454758787443
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• Prediction using boreratio

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The predicted values by this model is:
[13076.97444037 20255.34452539 13076.97444037 13382.43699718
10633.2739859 10938.7365427 7578.6484178 8189.57353142
17506.18151411 15062.48105963 10327.81142909]
MSE: 9998.047760401667
Accuracy: 30.97820573982223
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Prediction using enginesize and boreratio

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The predicted values by this model is:
[12037.54811929 43048.14336905 5621.89204293 12394.7995057
10141.88543948 10017.96262016 6569.3715754 7765.04855394
26841.17733675 12274.59390612 8020.32863207]
MSE: 6116.264033693828
Accuracy: 74.16976952480022
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Prediction using enginesize and horsepower

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The predicted values by this model is:
[10940.48707128 28014.31014816 17512.48324494 9878.30617788
14065.47008713 10545.36720449 6396.76221687 7516.19750877
24847.63091274 12849.60780198 7205.69742733]
MSE: 6926.390547057232
Accuracy: 66.87394014272734
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• Prediction using stroke, horsepower, enginesize

The predicted values by this model is:
[11694.04652353 40922.54114056 9810.09573196 11112.81598546
11744.04526778 10730.92000348 6114.95242019 8261.82488638
27288.74299418 15269.64348334 7040.6393813]
MSE: 5153.279421675414
Accuracy: 81.66321412175945

• Prediction using boreratio, horsepower and enginesize

The predicted values by this model is:
[11475.42816292 40576.54498161 8570.05866654 11306.6182886
11138.33850558 9726.93198887 6579.68509621 7163.33214137
27483.40328807 13857.24462064 7426.49898697]
MSE: 5432.870687067083
Accuracy: 79.61951255305274

• Prediction using boreratio, horsepower, enginesize and stroke

The predicted values by this model is:

[11664.23992307 41050.9784228 9810.89784196 11043.75993545

11851.6540931 10812.01573246 6241.52262586 8429.88837722

27317.63201988 15311.14079607 7050.03057583]

MSE: 5122.63795465136

Accuracy: 81.88062736199548

CONCLUSION

Car price prediction can be a challenging task due to the high number of attributes that should be considered for the accurate prediction. The major step in the prediction process is collection and preprocessing of the data. In this research, PHP scripts were built to normalise, standardise and clean data to avoid unnecessary noise for linear regression. Then after analysing the fitting the data in the models, we used it in the testing and training sets and analysed which performed better.

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