TASK 2

predicting unit sales without using ad spend data.

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

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import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

data = pd.read_csv('train.csv')

data['date'] = pd.to_datetime(data['date'], format='%Y-%m-%d')
 data['year'] = data['date'].dt.year
 data['month'] = data['date'].dt.dnh
 data['day'] = data['date'].dt.day
 data['dayofweek'] = data['date'].dt.dayofweek

data = data.sort_values(by=['Item Id', 'date'])
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Feature Engineering

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In [2]: features = ['year', 'month', 'day', 'dayofweek', 'lag_1', 'lag_2', 'lag_3', 'lag_4', 'lag_5', 'lag_6', 'lag_7', 'rolling_mean_7', 'rolling_sum_7']
        target = 'units'
        for lag in range(1, 8):
            data[f'lag_{lag}'] = data.groupby('Item Id')['units'].shift(lag)
        data['rolling_mean_7'] = data.groupby('Item Id')['units'].transform(lambda x: x.rolling(window=7).mean())
        data['rolling_sum_7'] = data.groupby('Item Id')['units'].transform(lambda x: x.rolling(window=7).sum())
        data.dropna(inplace=True)
        X = data[features]
        y = data[target]
        test_data = pd.read_csv('test.csv')
        test_data['date'] = pd.to_datetime(test_data['date'], format='%Y-%m-%d')
        test_data['year'] = test_data['date'].dt.year
        test_data['month'] = test_data['date'].dt.month
        test_data['day'] = test_data['date'].dt.day
        test_data['dayofweek'] = test_data['date'].dt.dayofweek
        for lag in range(1, 8):
            test_data[f'lag_{lag}'] = np.nan
        test_data['rolling_mean_7'] = np.nan
        test_data['rolling_sum_7'] = np.nan
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Model Selection

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In [3]: import xgboost as xgb
        import lightgbm as lgb
        from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
        from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
        from sklearn.ensemble import VotingRegressor
        X_train, X_val, y_train, y_val = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
        xgb_model = xgb.XGBRegressor(objective='reg:squarederror')
        xgb_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
        y_pred = xgb_model.predict(X_val)
        mse = mean_squared_error(y_val, y_pred)
        print(f'XGBoost Mean Squared Error: {mse}')
        lgb_model = lgb.LGBMRegressor()
        lgb_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
        voting_model = VotingRegressor(estimators=[
            ('xgb', xgb_model),
            ('lgb', lgb_model)
        ])
        voting_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
        y_pred_voting = voting_model.predict(X_val)
        mse_voting = mean_squared_error(y_val, y_pred_voting)
        print(f'Voting Regressor Mean Squared Error: {mse_voting}')
       XGBoost Mean Squared Error: 18919.183501297714
       [LightGBM] [Info] Auto-choosing row-wise multi-threading, the overhead of testing was 0.000655 seconds.
       You can set `force_row_wise=true` to remove the overhead.
       And if memory is not enough, you can set `force_col_wise=true`.
       [LightGBM] [Info] Total Bins 2351
       [LightGBM] [Info] Number of data points in the train set: 41694, number of used features: 13
       [LightGBM] [Info] Start training from score 13.272677
       [LightGBM] [Info] Auto-choosing col-wise multi-threading, the overhead of testing was 0.006973 seconds.
       You can set `force_col_wise=true` to remove the overhead.
       [LightGBM] [Info] Total Bins 2351
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Hyperparameter Tuning

[LightGBM] [Info] Start training from score 13.272677 Voting Regressor Mean Squared Error: 9002.894698495329

Final XGBoost Mean Squared Error: 8585.214285165122 Voting Regressor Mean Squared Error: 9002.894698495329

[LightGBM] [Info] Number of data points in the train set: 41694, number of used features: 13

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In [4]: from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
        param_grid = {
            'n_estimators': [100, 200, 300],
            'max_depth': [3, 5, 7],
            'learning_rate': [0.01, 0.05, 0.1]
        grid_search = GridSearchCV(estimator=xgb_model, param_grid=param_grid, cv=3, scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
        grid_search.fit(X_train, y_train)
        best_params = grid_search.best_params_
        final_xgb_model = xgb.XGBRegressor(objective='reg:squarederror', **best_params)
        final_xgb_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
        y_pred_final = final_xgb_model.predict(X_val)
        mse_final = mean_squared_error(y_val, y_pred_final)
        print(f'Final XGBoost Mean Squared Error: {mse_final}')
        print(f'Voting Regressor Mean Squared Error: {mse_voting}')
        X_test = test_data[features]
        test_data['TARGET'] = voting_model.predict(X_test)
        submission = test_data[['date', 'Item Id', 'TARGET']]
        submission.to_csv('Task2_submission.csv', index=False)
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When predicting without using ad spend data, I've noticed that the MSE of the Voting Regressor is higher than that of the final XGBoost model. This suggests that, in this specific scenario, the Voting Regressor may not be leveraging its ensemble advantage effectively. The individual models might not be complementing each other well or might not be capturing the data's patterns as effectively as XGBoost on its own. This could imply that XGBoost is more adept at handling the data in the absence of ad spend information, possibly due to its specialized boosting

capabilities and hyperparameter tuning.