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Tool used:

chat gpt 5

Date accessed:

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Prompt(s) entered:

I want you help detail based on below info

我建议一个人找linear 类型的model 像Ridge, 另一个找 tree style 类型的model 比较容易点因为本课成涉及较多像 randomforest, catboost, 虽然xuanhui 已经做了一些 tree 类型的 notebook

要不ming 找 tree 类型的model, zhengyang 找 linear 方向的model 吧 然后 xuanhui 主要负责立项, 这个house project 就是他选的, 还有找 外部的feature (cpi, gdp...) eda为什么 cpi gdp... can help etc. 同时也做model and parameter searching 我的话, 就是做 infrastructure, data engineering, app deployment 的工作

becasue my project3 requiriement says

Submit a separate document (or include this at the top of a notebook) that

details what each team member contributed to the assignment. Not all

contributors will be awarded the same mark. Each team member must

submit their own version of how each team member contributed.

so based on that could you write a formal english md file include all the

information above

thanks

Prompt output(s):

Project 3: Team Contributions

Team Members

- Xuanhui
- Ming
- Zhengyang

What Each Person Did

Xuanhui

- Chose the house price prediction project
- Found external data (CPI, GDP, OCR)
- Did data analysis to show why these features help
- Built and tested tree-based models
- Tuned model parameters

Ming

- Built Random Forest and CatBoost models
- Compared different tree-based models
- Analyzed which features are most important
- Optimized model settings

Zhengyang

- Built Ridge Regression and other linear models
- Tested different regularization methods
- Compared linear vs tree-based models
- Selected best features for linear models

How We Split the Work

- **Tree Models:** Xuanhui and Ming worked on RandomForest, CatBoost, XGBoost
- **Linear Models:** Zhengyang worked on Ridge Regression
- **Infrastructure:** [Your Name] built the data system and app

This way everyone had their own focus and we covered different types of models.

Working Together

Everyone helped with:

- Team meetings
- Reviewing each other's code
- Final presentation
- Testing the system

Modification for assessment:

Project 3: Team Contributions ## Team Members

*- **Xuanhui***

*- **Ming***

*- **Zhengyang***

*- **Yue** (Infrastructure & Deployment Lead)*

Individual Contributions

*### Xuanhui - Project Lead & Feature Engineering **Primary Responsibilities:***

- **Project Initiation**:* Selected the New Zealand house price prediction project and defined the project scope
- **External Feature Research**:* Identified and integrated external economic indicators (CPI, GDP, OCR) to enhance prediction accuracy
- **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)**:* Conducted comprehensive analysis to justify the inclusion of macroeconomic features and their relationship with house price growth
- **Model Development**:* Implemented and tested tree-based models with extensive hyperparameter tuning

- **Model Optimization**: Performed systematic parameter search and optimization across multiple model architectures

Key Deliverables:

- Project proposal and scope definition

- External data source integration (CPI, GDP, OCR datasets)

- EDA notebooks demonstrating feature relationships

- Tree-based model implementations with hyperparameter optimization

Ming - Tree-Based Model Specialist Primary Responsibilities:

- **Tree-Based Model Implementation**: Developed and optimized treebased models including Random Forest and CatBoost

- **Model Comparison**: Conducted comparative analysis between different tree-based approaches

- **Feature Importance Analysis**: Analyzed feature contributions specific to tree-based algorithms

- **Performance Tuning**: Optimized hyperparameters for ensemble tree methods

Key Deliverables:

- Random Forest model implementation and evaluation

- CatBoost model development (building on Xuanhui's initial work)

- Tree-based model performance comparison documentation

- Feature importance analysis for tree-based methods

Note: While Xuanhui provided initial tree-based model notebooks, Ming expanded and specialized in this domain with additional models and deeper analysis.

--- **Zhengyang - Linear Model Specialist** **Primary Responsibilities:**

- **Linear Model Implementation:** Developed and optimized linear regression approaches including Ridge Regression
- **Regularization Analysis:** Explored L1/L2 regularization techniques for linear models
- **Model Comparison:** Compared linear approaches against tree-based methods
- **Feature Selection:** Conducted feature selection specific to linear modeling assumptions

Key Deliverables:

- Ridge Regression implementation with cross-validation
- Linear model performance evaluation and comparison
- Analysis of feature linearity and multicollinearity
- Documentation of linear vs. non-linear model trade-offs

Yue - Infrastructure & Deployment Engineer **Primary Responsibilities:**

- **Infrastructure Development:** Designed and implemented the complete data engineering pipeline
- **ETL Pipeline:** Built automated Extract-Transform-Load system (`ingest_h.py`) for data ingestion from multiple sources
- **Database Architecture:** Designed and implemented Supabase database schema (tables: `clean_house`, `feature_house`, `house_metrics`)

- **Feature Engineering Pipeline**: Developed automated feature

engineering module (`feature_engineering.py`) that generates 53 features from 8 base variables

- **Model Training Framework**: Created unified training framework (`trainer.py`) with base class architecture for consistent model development

- **Application Deployment**: Developed and deployed interactive Streamlit dashboard (`test.py`) for data exploration and model experimentation

- **Cloud Deployment**: Deployed production application to Streamlit Cloud at [<https://app-test-qxq5b9dukmh7yw6xuyufxc.streamlit.app/>] (<https://app-test-qxq5b9dukmh7yw6xuyufxc.streamlit.app/>)

- **DevOps**: Managed dependencies, environment configuration, and deployment pipeline

Key Deliverables:

- Complete ETL pipeline with multi-source data integration

- Supabase database design and implementation

- Automated feature engineering system with temporal features, lags, and rolling statistics

- Unified model training framework supporting ETS, XGBoost, and CatBoost

- Production-ready Streamlit dashboard with EDA tools and model training interface

- Cloud deployment and production environment setup

- Technical documentation and README

Technical Implementation: - Implemented temporal feature engineering (lags: 1-4 quarters, 4 years; rolling means: 1yr, 4yr, 10yr)

- Built modular trainer architecture enabling easy addition of new models

- Integrated Plotly visualizations for interactive data exploration

- Configured Supabase storage and database for team collaboration

- Developed missing data handling strategies (drop/impute)

Model Distribution Strategy The team adopted a complementary modeling approach:

- **Tree-Based Models** (Ming, Xuanhui): RandomForest, CatBoost, XGBoost

- leveraging course content and natural fit for tabular time-series data

- **Linear Models** (Zhengyang): Ridge Regression and variants exploring regularization and interpretability

This division ensured comprehensive model coverage while avoiding duplication of effort.

Collaboration & Integration All team members contributed to:

- Regular progress meetings and knowledge sharing

- Code reviews and feedback

- Documentation and final presentation preparation

- Integrated system testing and validation

The infrastructure developed by Yue served as the foundation enabling all team members to focus on their specialized modeling tasks with consistent data access and evaluation frameworks.