Interpreting_your_Data

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1 Random Forest Model interpretation

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In [1]: %load_ext autoreload
        %autoreload 2
In [47]: %matplotlib inline
         from fastai.imports import *
         from fastai.structured import *
         from pandas_summary import DataFrameSummary
         from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor, RandomForestClassifier
         from IPython.display import display
         from sklearn import metrics
In [48]: set_plot_sizes(12,14,16)
1.1 Load in our data
In [49]: # point path to data
        PATH = "data/bulldozers/"
In [50]: # notice parse_dates, this is an important step when you have a
         # date column thats not already split into its constituent parts
         df_raw = pd.read_csv(f'{PATH}Train.csv', low_memory=False,
                              parse_dates=["saledate"])
In [51]: df_raw.SalePrice = np.log(df_raw.SalePrice)
         add_datepart(df_raw, 'saledate')
         df_raw.saleYear.head()
Out[51]: 0
              2006
         1
              2004
         2
              2004
         3
              2011
         4
              2009
         Name: saleYear, dtype: int64
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In [52]: # train_cats is our solution
         # there is some nuance here however
         # when assigning categories it is important to be consistent
         # notice how this is called "train" cats
         # this is for the training set
         # when you try and train your model you typically have a train and valid set
         # so 'high' might be 0 in train but it could be 2 in valid
         # for future reference this is why fastai has a apply_cats(df, trn)
         # you can pass the data frame of the validation set as well as the
         # applied categories from the train set to achieve aforemention consistency
         train_cats(df_raw)
         #apply_cats(df_raw)
In [53]: df_trn, y_trn, nas = proc_df(df_raw, 'SalePrice')
In [54]: def split_vals(a,n): return a[:n], a[n:]
         n_valid = 12000
         n_trn = len(df_trn)-n_valid
         X_train, X_valid = split_vals(df_trn, n_trn)
         y train, y valid = split vals(y trn, n trn)
         raw_train, raw_valid = split_vals(df_raw, n_trn)
In [55]: def rmse(x,y): return math.sqrt(((x-y)**2).mean())
         def print_score(m):
             res = [rmse(m.predict(X_train), y_train), rmse(m.predict(X_valid), y_valid),
                         m.score(X_train, y_train), m.score(X_valid, y_valid)]
             if hasattr(m, 'oob_score_'): res.append(m.oob_score_)
             print(res)
In [56]: df_raw.head()
Out [56]:
            SalesID SalePrice MachineID ModelID datasource auctioneerID YearMade \
         0 1139246 11.097410
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                                          High
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                              3486.0
                                          High
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         4
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         0
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  1080259200
 1077753600
3 1305763200
4 1248307200
[5 rows x 65 columns]
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2 Confidence based on tree variance

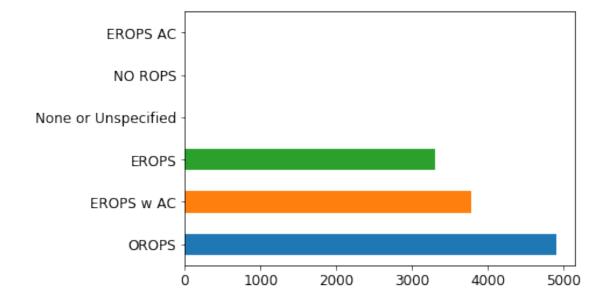
For model interpretation, there's no need to use the full dataset on each tree - using a subset will be both faster, and also provide better interpretability (since an overfit model will not provide much variance across trees).

We saw how the model averages predictions across the trees to get an estimate - but how can we know the confidence of the estimate? One simple way is to use the standard deviation of predictions, instead of just the mean. This tells us the *relative* confidence of predictions - that is, for rows where the trees give very different results, you would want to be more cautious of using those results, compared to cases where they are more consistent. Using the same example as in the last lesson when we looked at bagging:

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Out [59]: (9.250535703082043, 0.2822839234241768)
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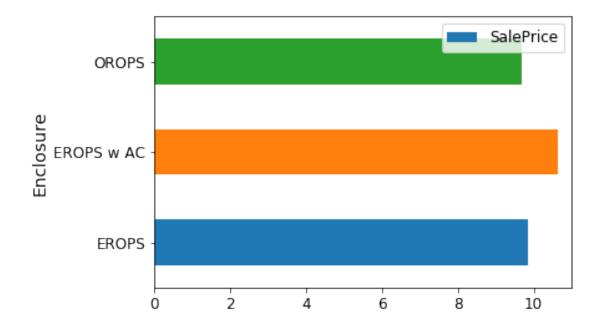
When we use python to loop through trees like this, we're calculating each in series, which is slow! We can use parallel processing to speed things up:

We can see that different trees are giving different estimates this this auction. In order to see how prediction confidence varies, we can add this into our dataset.

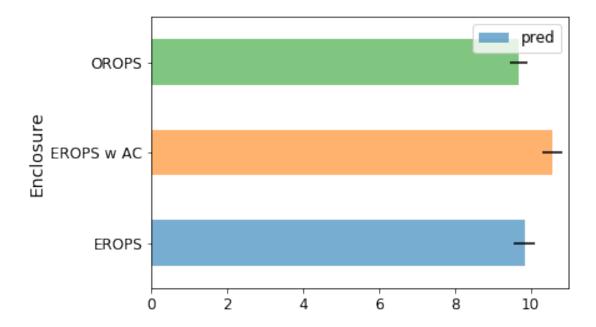


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In [62]: flds = ['Enclosure', 'SalePrice', 'pred', 'pred_std']
        enc_summ = x[flds].groupby('Enclosure', as_index=False).mean()
        enc_summ
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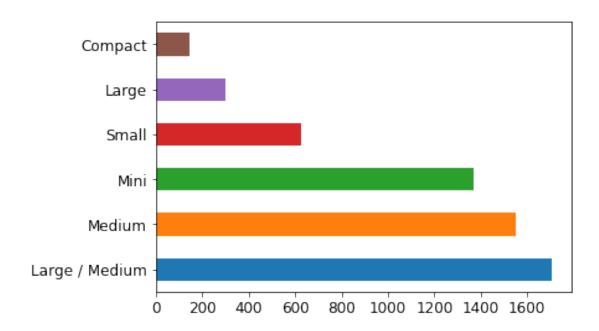
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Out[62]:
                        Enclosure SalePrice
                                                     pred pred_std
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                                     9.849178
                                                 9.840480
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                                                10.575259
                                                           0.274543
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            None or Unspecified
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         5
                            OROPS
                                     9.682064
                                                 9.684958
                                                           0.218898
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In [64]: enc_summ.plot('Enclosure', 'pred', 'barh', xerr='pred_std', alpha=0.6, xlim=(0,11));



In [65]: raw_valid.ProductSize.value_counts().plot.barh();



Out[66]: SalePrice pred pred_std ProductSize Compact 9.735093 9.858105 0.344963 Large 10.470589 10.386889 0.351798 Large / Medium 10.691871 10.646844 0.308542 Medium 10.681511 10.614658 0.289467 Mini 9.535147 9.567300 0.252591 Small 10.324448 10.324686 0.313421

In [67]: (summ.pred_std/summ.pred).sort_values(ascending=False)

Out[67]: ProductSize

 Compact
 0.034993

 Large
 0.033869

 Small
 0.030356

 Large / Medium
 0.028980

 Medium
 0.027270

 Mini
 0.026401

dtype: float64