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- Correlation matrix to find the proper features
- Turn categorical columns into numeric ones
 - At first I tried with numpy to give slight different weights to elements with numpy. In the end I
 just gave int types. -py to clean both datasets

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#import xqboost as xqb

#import xqboost a
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- https://github.com/albertovpd/kaggle-competitions/blob/master/diamonds-datamad1019/output/pics/printing%20function.png
- Remove outliers from the dataset to have a more accurate model

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import numpy as np
def remove_outlier_col(df_in, col_name):
    q1 = df_in[col_name].quantile(0.25)
   q3 = df_in[col_name].quantile(0.75)
   iqr = q3-q1 #Interquartile range
   fence_low = q1-1.5*iqr
    fence_high = q3+1.5*iqr
    df out = df in.loc[(df in[col name] > fence low) & (df in[col name] < fence high)]</pre>
    return df_out
def remove outliers(df):
    for e in list(df.columns):
       df=remove_outlier_col(df,"{}".format(e))
def standarizing(df):
    for col in df.columns:
        df[col] = (df[col] - np.mean(df[col])) / np.std(df[col])
    return df
```

- The price and weight of diamonds are exponentially related, so I give an exponential weight to the "carat" row, and removed columns strongly correlated with this one
- Standarize all my X columns with sklearn
- .py file to check 12 different configurations of algorithms, searching for the min Mean Absolute Error, Root mean Squared Error and R2 square value

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• .py file to clean automatically my test dataset exactly like the training dataset (yeah, I could have written a better code, deadline matters)

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def cleaning_diamonds2(df):
   df.cut=df.cut.replace(to_replace={"Fair":1, "Good":2, "Very Good":3, "Ideal":4, "Premium":5})
   color.sort(reverse=True)
   letters=['D', 'E', 'F', 'G', 'H' , 'I', 'J']
   weight=list(range(1,8))
   weight.sort(reverse=True)
   color dict=dict(zip(letters,weight))
        for x,y in color_dict.items():
               df.color.replace(e,y,inplace=True)
   nomenclature=["I1","SI2","SI1","VS2","VS1","VVS2","VVS1","IF"]
   weight=list(range(1,9))
   weight.sort(reverse=True)
   clarity_dict=dict(zip(nomenclature,weight))
    for e in df.clarity:
       for x,y in clarity_dict.items():
           if e==x:
               df.clarity.replace(e,y,inplace=True)
   df['volume'] = df['x'] * df['y'] * df['z']
   df.drop(["x","y","z"], axis=1,inplace=True)
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• Train the model with my best configuration (the first picture)

https://raw.githubusercontent.com/albertovpd/kaggle-competitions/master/diamonds-datamad1019/output/pics/final%20-results.png

- Get the predicted "y"
- Submit results

Conclusions

I really wanted to try my skills as scientist in my first "fight" with ML. I miserably lost and learnt about it. - 1. The most important task is to study the field and clean your dataset properly. - 2. Do not give weight to columns without knowlegde. If you are going to do random stuff, you have way better tools for that purpose. - 3. Do not use Scikit GridSearchCV randomly. - 4. Avoid the bad use of H2O's autoML and tools like that. It Depends on the size and type of dataset. Nevertheless, if you don't have the proper time to study the field your working with, go back to 2 and do it. Also very useful when you think you can't optimize your result anymore.

Those are my principles, and if you don't like them... Well, I have others.

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