

Experiment 2: Predicting gold prices using Linear Regression Model involves data collection, preprocessing, model training, and evaluation. Below is a detailed example using Python and Scikit-learn to predict gold prices.

### Step 1: Import Libraries

```
1 #pip install yfinance this library is need for finance estimations
2 import numpy as np
3 import pandas as pd
4 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
5 from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
6 from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
7 from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score
8 import yfinance as yf
9
```

**Step 2: Data Collection:** use historical gold price data from **Yahoo Finance**. You can install the yfinance library if you haven't already by running “pip install yfinance”

```
1 # Download historical gold price data
2 gold_data = yf.download('GC=F', start='2010-01-01', end='2023-01-01')
3
4 # Display the first few rows of the dataset
5 print(gold_data.head())
6
```

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```
... [*****100%*****] 1 of 1 completed
      Open      High      Low      Close  Adj Close  \
Date
2010-01-04  1117.699951  1122.300049  1097.099976  1117.699951  1117.699951
2010-01-05  1118.099976  1126.500000  1115.000000  1118.099976  1118.099976
2010-01-06  1135.900024  1139.199951  1120.699951  1135.900024  1135.900024
2010-01-07  1133.099976  1133.099976  1129.199951  1133.099976  1133.099976
2010-01-08  1138.199951  1138.199951  1122.699951  1138.199951  1138.199951
```

**Step 3: Data Pre-processing:** We'll use the 'Close' prices for prediction and create a feature set based on the date index.

```
1 # Use 'Close' price as the target variable
2 gold_data = gold_data[['Close']]
3 gold_data = gold_data.dropna() # Drop any rows with NaN values
4
5 # Reset index to use the date as a feature
6 gold_data.reset_index(inplace=True)
7
8 # Convert 'Date' to numerical format
9 gold_data['Date'] = gold_data['Date'].map(pd.Timestamp.toordinal)
10
11 # Display the first few rows after preprocessing
12 print(gold_data.head())
13
```

[7] ✓ 0.0s

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```
...      Date      Close
0  733776  1117.699951
1  733777  1118.099976
```

#### Step 4: Split Data into Training and Testing Sets

```
1 # Define features (X) and target (y)
2 X = gold_data[['Date']]
3 y = gold_data['Close']
4
5 # Split data into training and testing sets
6 X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
7
```

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#### Step 5: Create and Train the Model

```
1 # Create the model
2 model = LinearRegression()
3
4 # Train the model
5 model.fit(X_train, y_train)
6
```

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... LinearRegression ① ②  
LinearRegression()

#### Step 6: Make Predictions

```
1 # Make predictions
2 y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
3
```

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#### Step 7: Evaluate the Model

```
1 # Calculate performance metrics
2 mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred)
3 r2 = r2_score(y_test, y_pred)
4
5 print("Mean Squared Error (MSE):", mse)
6 print("R² Score:", r2)
7
```

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Mean Squared Error (MSE): 51075.211915630076  
R² Score: 0.15022079688041157

## Step 8: Visualize the Results

```
1 # Plot the results
2 plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
3 plt.scatter(X_test, y_test, color='blue', label='Actual Prices')
4 plt.plot(X_test, y_pred, color='red', linewidth=2, label='Predicted Prices')
5 plt.xlabel('Date')
6 plt.ylabel('Gold Price')
7 plt.title('Gold Price Prediction using Linear Regression')
8 plt.legend()
9 plt.show()
10
```

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