Machine learning

basics

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Intro to machine learning

ML models (basic steps)

- Step- 1 Figure out which column would you use to make a prediciton.

  make prediction target as y

- Step 2 Assign different features you'd use to make predictions

  assign 'features' to variable X

- Step 3 - Specify and Fit model
- Step 4 - Make predictions
- example of decision tree model (simple basic machine learning model; steps-)

  capturing data (training or fitting the model)

  predicting (based on what a model is fed)

  evaluation (how accurate the predictions are)

- more factors can be fed into the decision tree that has more 'splits'
- these trees are called 'deeper' trees
- the point where we make a predicition is called 'leaf'

```
import pandas as pd
file = "melb_data.csv"
data = pd.read_csv(file)
print(data.describe())
```

	Rooms	Price	Distance	Postcode	Bedroom2	Bathroom	Car
count	13580.000000	1.358000e+04	13580.000000	13580.000000	13580.000000	13580.000000	13518.0
mean	2.937997	1.075684e+06	10.137776	3105.301915	2.914728	1.534242	1.61007
std	0.955748	6.393107e+05	5.868725	90.676964	0.965921	0.691712	0.96263

	Rooms	Price	Distance	Postcode	Bedroom2	Bathroom	Car
min	1.000000	8.500000e+04	0.000000	3000.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
25%	2.000000	6.500000e+05	6.100000	3044.000000	2.000000	1.000000	1.000000
50%	3.000000	9.030000e+05	9.200000	3084.000000	3.000000	1.000000	2.000000
75%	3.000000	1.330000e+06	13.000000	3148.000000	3.000000	2.000000	2.000000
max	10.000000	9.000000e+06	48.100000	3977.000000	20.000000	8.000000	10.000000

Inference

- count- how many rows have non-missing values
- mean- average
- std- measures the numerical spread of values

```
print(data.columns)
```

```
Index(['Suburb', 'Address', 'Rooms', 'Type', 'Price', 'Method', 'SellerG',
       'Date', 'Distance', 'Postcode', 'Bedroom2', 'Bathroom', 'Car',
       'Landsize', 'BuildingArea', 'YearBuilt', 'CouncilArea', 'Lattitude',
       'Longtitude', 'Regionname', 'Propertycount'],
      dtype='object')
```

```
# dropping missing values
data = data.dropna(axis=0)
print(data.columns)
print(data.describe())
```

```
Index(['Suburb', 'Address', 'Rooms', 'Type', 'Price', 'Method', 'SellerG',
       'Date', 'Distance', 'Postcode', 'Bedroom2', 'Bathroom', 'Car',
       'Landsize', 'BuildingArea', 'YearBuilt', 'CouncilArea', 'Lattitude',
       'Longtitude', 'Regionname', 'Propertycount'],
      dtype='object')
             Rooms         Price     Distance     Postcode     Bedroom2  \
count  6196.000000  6.196000e+03  6196.000000  6196.000000  6196.000000
mean      2.931407  1.068828e+06     9.751097  3101.947708     2.902034
std       0.971079  6.751564e+05     5.612065    86.421604     0.970055
min       1.000000  1.310000e+05     0.000000  3000.000000     0.000000
25%       2.000000  6.200000e+05     5.900000  3044.000000     2.000000
50%       3.000000  8.800000e+05     9.000000  3081.000000     3.000000
75%       4.000000  1.325000e+06    12.400000  3147.000000     3.000000
```

```
max       8.000000  9.000000e+06    47.400000  3977.000000     9.000000

          Bathroom           Car      Landsize  BuildingArea    YearBuilt  \
count  6196.000000  6196.000000   6196.000000   6196.000000  6196.000000
mean      1.576340     1.573596    471.006940    141.568645  1964.081988
std       0.711362     0.929947    897.449881     90.834824    38.105673
min       1.000000     0.000000      0.000000      0.000000  1196.000000
25%       1.000000     1.000000    152.000000     91.000000  1940.000000
50%       1.000000     1.000000    373.000000    124.000000  1970.000000
75%       2.000000     2.000000    628.000000    170.000000  2000.000000
max       8.000000    10.000000  37000.000000   3112.000000  2018.000000

         Lattitude   Longtitude  Propertycount
count  6196.000000  6196.000000    6196.000000
mean    -37.807904   144.990201    7435.489509
std       0.075850     0.099165    4337.698917
min     -38.164920   144.542370     389.000000
25%     -37.855438   144.926198    4383.750000
50%     -37.802250   144.995800    6567.000000
75%     -37.758200   145.052700   10175.000000
max     -37.457090   145.526350   21650.000000
```

```
# using *dot notation* to predict the prediction target, y

y = data.Price
```

```
# building a model with few features
# features are the columns that are used to make predictions

data_features = ['Rooms', 'Bedroom2', 'Landsize']


# saving these in variable x

x = data[data_features]
```

```
print(x.describe())
```

```
            Rooms     Bedroom2      Landsize
count  6196.000000  6196.000000   6196.000000
mean      2.931407     2.902034    471.006940
```

```
std       0.971079     0.970055    897.449881
min       1.000000     0.000000      0.000000
25%       2.000000     2.000000    152.000000
50%       3.000000     3.000000    373.000000
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max       8.000000     9.000000  37000.000000
```

```
print(x.head())
```

```
   Rooms  Bedroom2  Landsize
1      2       2.0     156.0
2      3       3.0     134.0
4      4       3.0     120.0
6      3       4.0     245.0
7      2       2.0     256.0
```

Step 3 (Specify and fit the model)

```
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor

data_model = DecisionTreeRegressor(random_state = 1) # ensures same results

# fit
data_model.fit(x,y)
```

```
DecisionTreeRegressor(random_state=1)
```

Step 4 (Make predictions)

```
print("Making predicitons for the following houses:")
print(x.head())
print("The predictions are: ")
print(data_model.predict(x.head()))
```

```
Making predicitons for the following houses:
   Rooms  Bedroom2  Landsize
1      2       2.0     156.0
2      3       3.0     134.0
4      4       3.0     120.0
6      3       4.0     245.0
7      2       2.0     256.0
The predictions are:
[ 993200.         1035333.33333333 1600000.         1876000.
 1636000.        ]
```

Model Validation

- mean absolute error is used
- function from scikit-learn library (train_test_split) is used

```
from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_error

predicted_home_prices = data_model.predict(x)
mean_absolute_error(y, predicted_home_prices)
```

```
213886.172706383
```

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

train_x, val_x, train_y, val_y = train_test_split(x, y, random_state = 0)

# define model
data_model = DecisionTreeRegressor()

# fit model
data_model.fit(train_x, train_y)

# get predicted prices
val_predictions = data_model.predict(val_x)
print(mean_absolute_error(val_y, val_predictions))
```

```
458475.58063432045
```

- This means that the MAE was more than double

```
# check model attributes
print(dir(DecisionTreeRegressor))
```

```
['__abstractmethods__', '__annotations__', '__class__', '__delattr__', '__dict__', '__dir__'
```

Underfitting and Overfitting

- Overfitting- predictions made with less data for each tree >(or could be the Decision-TreeRegressor contains many Leaves >2**10)
- Underfitting- predictions made with huge data >(or could be the DecisionTreeRegressor doesn't contain many leaves <2**2)
- we use **max_leaf_nodes** argument to control overfitting and underfitting

```
from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_error
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor

def get_mae(max_leaf_nodes, train_x, val_x, train_y, val_y):
    model = DecisionTreeRegressor(max_leaf_nodes = max_leaf_nodes, random_state = 0)
    model.fit(train_x, train_y)
    preds_val = model.predict(val_x)
    mae = mean_absolute_error(val_y, preds_val)
    return(mae)
```

```
# comparing MAE with different values of max_leaf_nodes

for max_leaf_nodes in [5, 50, 500, 5000]:
    my_mae = get_mae(max_leaf_nodes, train_x, val_x, train_y, val_y)
    print(f"Max leaf nodes: {max_leaf_nodes} \t\t Mean Absolute Error: {max_leaf_nodes, my
```

```
Max leaf nodes: 5        Mean Absolute Error: (5, 402424.0910391075)
Max leaf nodes: 50       Mean Absolute Error: (50, 386677.9612192755)
Max leaf nodes: 500          Mean Absolute Error: (500, 423585.7986927151)
Max leaf nodes: 5000         Mean Absolute Error: (5000, 461015.283668536)
```