

Motivations

The task for this project is to predict the total amount of sales next month for each product in store.

The reason why we choose to do this project is because that it's an application of Data Science in industrial engineering. From what we learn from production management, to make a shop more competitive, reducing inventory is the most important issue. Inventory significantly influences the total revenue of an organization. If we could accurately predict the amount of products sold each day, it would help to reduce the inventory cost.

Problem Statement (Input/Output, X/Y)

Working with a time-series dataset consisting of daily sales data, provided by one of the largest Russian software firms 1C Company. The target for this project is to predict total sales for every product in store in the next month.

Input: daily historical data from January 2013 to October 2015. 22.2k

Output: forecast the sales for these shops and products for November 2015.

Problem Statement (Input/Output, X/Y)

Input

	date	date_block_num	shop_id	item_id	item_price	item_cnt_day	
0	02.01.2013	0	59	22154	999.00	1.0	
1	03.01.2013	0	25	2552	899.00	1.0	
2	05.01.2013	0	25	2552	899.00	-1.0	
3	06.01.2013	0	25	2554	1709.05	1.0	
4	15.01.2013	0	25	2555	1099.00	1.0	
2935844	10.10.2015	33	25	7409	299.00	1.0	
2935845	09.10.2015	33	25	7460	299.00	1.0	
2935846	14.10.2015	33	25	7459	349.00	1.0	
2935847	22.10.2015	33	25	7440	299.00	1.0	
2935848	03.10.2015	33	25	7460	299.00	1.0	
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Output

	ID	item_cnt_month				
0	0	0.5				
1	1	0.5				
2	2	0.5				
3	3	0.5				
4	4	0.5				
214195	214195	0.5				
214196	214196	0.5				
214197	214197	0.5				
214198	214198	0.5				
214199	214199	0.5				
214200 rows × 2 columns						

Technical Challenges

The list of shops and products slightly changes every month

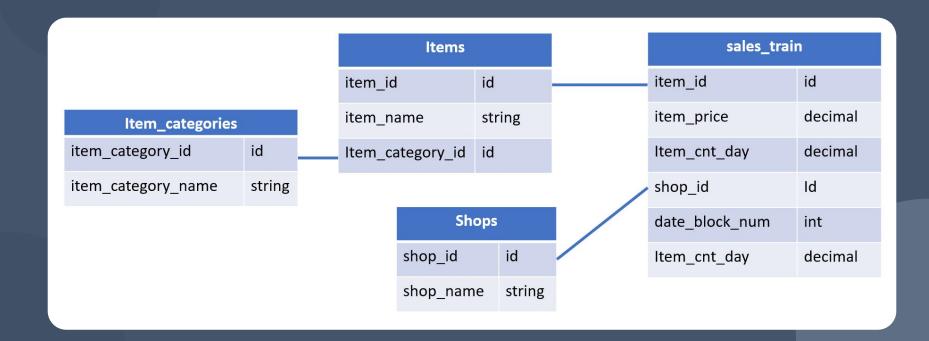
→ a robust model is needed to handle such problem

We are not sure which kind of model will be best for this

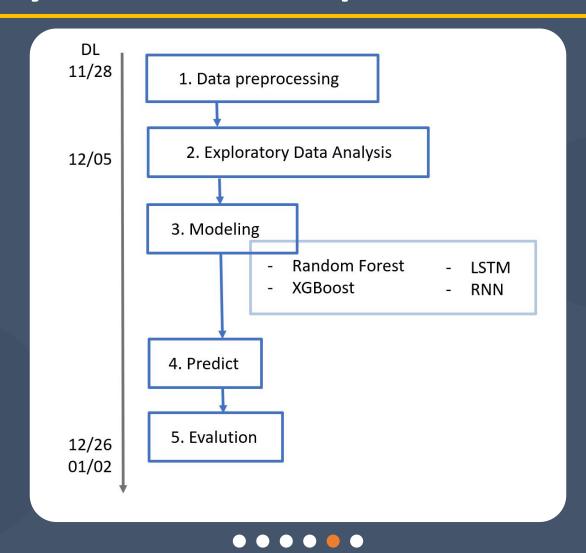
problem → might need to trial and error for several times



Dataset to be used

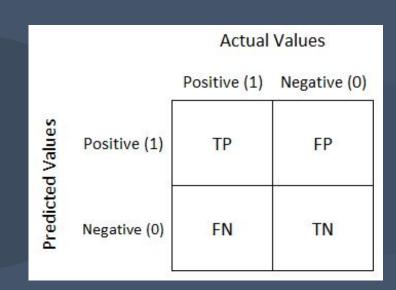


Preliminary Methods & Expected Time Schedule



Evaluation Plans

recall precision accuracy F1-score confusion matrix RMSE



$$accuracy = rac{tp+tn}{tp+fp+fn+tn}$$
 $precision = rac{tp}{tp+fp}$
 $recall = rac{tp}{tp+fn}$
 $f1score = rac{2}{(rac{1}{precision}) + (rac{1}{recall})}$

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (Predicted_i - Actual_i)^2}{N}}$$



老師的建議

使用和時間相關的模型 每個時間點的數值或是變化特徵

使用回歸方法,自己定義新的特徵例如:

最近這個月的銷售量 過去五個月的平均銷售量、變異數 是否逐月成長 作為特徵去做訓練,定義新的特徵