# **Assignment 2 Report: Neural Networks**

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#### **Description of the forecasting problem**

Different people may hold vastly different opinions on the fair value of a particular house. While this statement may sound general, in real life there are certain common factors that people prefer, say the overall lot area, the number of bedrooms, total square feet, neighborhood.

This dataset contains 80 attributes and the target "sales price" for 1460 cases of housing transactions. In this Assignment, I am going to train a Neural Network model to predict the Sales Price giving its features. I will also compare how closely my predictions are to the real sales price.

#### Overview of network architecture

Briefly speaking, I have used the Keras library to construct my neural network structure. For any given neural networks, there are many important parameters we need to specify. I started my neural network from the "default" model for beginners. My **basic model** contains the following features:

- Number of Layers: Neuron network is made of layers of neurons. The first layer is called input layer and the last one is called output layer. All the middle ones are called hidden layers.
- 2. **Input Layer**: The input layer is composed of neurons that bring in the initial data into the network. Usually the number of neurons in input layers match the number of features we have in the data set. In this case, 19 features correspond to 19 neurons.
- 3. **Hidden Layer**: Hidden layer refers to those between input and output layer. Hidden layer can contain many layers and each layer can have many neurons. General rule is that complicated layers can learn more through large data sets but may have a higher chance of overfitting. Shallower hidden layers may have underfitting issues.

- 4. **Output Layer**: The output layer is the layer where we receive the output of the neural network. For this assignment, 1 output neuron corresponds to our target feature, "Sale Price". That's the goal of our neural network to predict.
- 5. **Initial Weight and Bias of neurons**: Keras provide the method initializer class to enable the users on initialize weights and biases before training starts. By default, Keras initialize all weights and biases automatically.
- 6. Activation Function: For the hidden layer neurons, I have chosen the "relu" function as the default activation function. Relu function can be written as  $f(x) = \max(x,0)$ . The advantage is that its derivative is always 1 when input is positive hence resulting faster learning than the sigmoid activation functions. Relu function may cause some "dead" neurons due to 0 output so some researchers proposed Leaky Relu function. The leaky Relu would output x in the positive region and a pre-set parameters times x in the negative regions instead of 0. Other commonly used is sigmoid function which however, can be slow at the far end as the slope of the function is very small approaching to 0. I am going to use Relu, tanh function in the model training process. Details will be covered in the next section.
- 7. **Optimizer** (Adam vs SGD): I am using the "Adam" optimizer proposed researchers and recommended by Keras as the default optimizers. In general, different optimizers tend to control the learning rate. Learning rate can is the speed we update the neural networks weight and biases. So, it can be written as  $W = W \eta^* \nabla f(x)$ ,  $B = B \eta^* \nabla f(x)$ , where W is the weight, B is the bias and  $\eta$  is the learning rate,  $\nabla f(x)$  is the derivative of our cost function.
  - For SGD optimizer, there are learning rate, decay, momentum and nestroy

momentum.

- For Adam optimizer, there are learning rate, beta\_1, beta\_2, epsilon, decay and AMSGrad variant. For this assignment, in order to simply this approach, I implemented this Adam optimizer. Further work on can be done on the beta\_1, beta\_2, decay, epsilon and AMSGrad variant. This method is firstly proposed by Diederik Kingma and Jimmy Ba in their 2015 ICLR paper titled "Adam: A method for Stochastic Optimization".
- 8. **Loss Function**: Predicting housing sales price is a regression problem. Two most common ones are listed below:
  - Mean Square Error (Quadratic Loss, L2 loss): the MSE is the sum of the squared differences between the label value and predicted value then divided by the number of samples. The equation can be written as:

$$MSE = \frac{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - y_i^p)^2}{n}$$

• Mean Absolute Error (L1 loss): the MAE is the sum of the absolute differences of the label value and predicted value then divided by the number of samples. The equations can be written as:

$$MAE = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |y_i - y_i^p|}{n}$$

• Comparison: In general, MSE is better because at the bottom, the gradient

of MSE is smaller, making it easier to find the lowest point. The gradient of MAE is always the same and hence harder to get to the bottom. However, the MSE will square the error which makes it bigger and when our data is corrupted with abnormal data points, MAE should be chosen over the MSE.

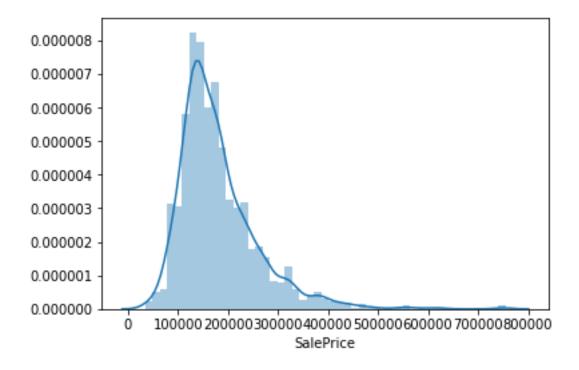
- 9. **Batch Size**: Batch Size refers to number of samples per gradient update. If unspecified, Keras defaults to 32.
  - When the batch size is set to the total number of samples, it's called batch gradient descent.
  - When batch size is set to 1 sample per update, it's called stochastic gradient descent.
  - When batch size is between 1 and total number of samples, it's called mini-batch gradient descent.
- 10. **Epochs**: Epochs refer to number of iterations to train the model. One epoch is an iteration over the entire training data set provided. Lower epochs can lead to underfitting while higher epochs will tend to overfitting problems. This can be observed by the decrease of loss errors but an increase in validation errors.
- 11. **Validation Split factor**: Keras provided this parameter for us to further divide the datasets to training and validation sets. It greatly helps us observe the potential of overfitting problems. Ideally the losses of both training and validation sets should decrease at the same time. In an overfitting situation, the losses of training sets continue to decrease while the losses of validation sets start to tick up. That's where we should stop. In my code, I used 0.1, equivalent to 10%, of my datasets to be the validation sets.

### **Description of Implementation of Neural Network**

1. Initial Data Reading and description of target data: For the first step, I imported the pandas library and read in the original pandas dataframe. It has 1460 observations and 81 columns including our target value sale price. Then I used the "pandas describe function" on the sale price to get a brief idea of sale price for the 1460 observations. Result is as shown in the following picture. So, we the average of housing sales is 180K with a standard deviation of about 80K.

count 1460.000000 180921.195890 mean std 79442.502883 min 34900.000000 25% 129975.000000 50% 163000.000000 75% 214000.000000 755000.000000 max Name: SalePrice, dtype: float64

Here is the histogram of the sale price



2. **Feature Selection**: Among the 80 columns provided, I have chosen 19 important features. Also, to simply the problem, I chose 19 important continuous features and neglected the categorical features. Also, I did used the pandas correlation function to check their individual correlation to the "Sale Price" to help me quickly sort out the most relevant features. Attached table below is the summary of them. For continuous features, the Nan value can be replaced by 0.

| Feature Name     | Detail Description                           | Feature Name  | Detail Description                           |
|------------------|--|---------------|--|
| <u>SalePrice</u> | the property's sale price in dollars (Label) | GrLivArea     | Above grade (ground) living area square feet |
| LotFrontage      | Linear feet of street connected to property  | FullBath      | Full bathrooms above grade                   |
| LotArea          | Lot size in square feet                      | BedroomAbvGr  | Number of bedrooms above basement level      |
|                  | Overall material and finish                  |               |  |
| OverallQual      | quality                                      | KitchenAbovGr | Number of kitchens                           |

| OverallCond  | Overall condition rating           | TotRomsAbvGrd | Total rooms above grade (does not include bathrooms) |
|--------------|------------------------------------|---------------|--|
| YearBuilt    | Original construction date         | Fireplaces    | Number of fireplaces                                 |
| YearRemodAdd | Remodel date                       | GarageCars    | Size of garage in car capacity                       |
| TotalBsmtSF  | Total square feet of basement area | WoodDeckSF    | Wood deck area in square feet                        |
| 1stFlrSF     | First Floor Square Feet            | PoolArea      | Pool area in square feet                             |
| 2ndFlrSF     | Second Floor Square Feet           | YrSold        | Year Sold  |

- 3. **Removing outliers and filling Nan values**: For null values in some columns, I used the fillna method provided by pandas library to fill them with zeros as they are all numerical type. Also, from the previous step, most of the housing transactions are below 500K range. I used a for loop and removed the 9 outlier transactions. Outliers can have a big impact on our loss function Mean Squared Errors and hence, by doing this, it's will help us optimize the model in the model training step.
- 4. **Training and Testing data sets splitting**: In this step, I firstly separated the data into X dataframe which contains the 19 features and y series which contains our target set. Then divide them further into X\_train, X\_test, y\_train, y\_test. Our basic process is:
  - Use the X\_train and y\_train to train the model by using the back-propagation strategy. Keras automatically does it on the back end to update the weights and biases based on the errors generated.
  - ii. Then after training the model, use X\_test to predict the "Sale Price" for this set,namely y\_predict.

iii. Finally, we compare y\_predict to y\_test for the evaluate our model performance.

| Name 🔺     | Type      | Size       |
|------------|-----------|------------|
| X          | DataFrame | (1451, 19) |
| X_test     | float64   | (291, 19)  |
| X_train    | float64   | (1160, 19) |
| df_corr    | DataFrame | (38, 38)   |
| df_data    | DataFrame | (1451, 20) |
| у          | Series    | (1451,)    |
| y1_predict | float32   | (291, 1)   |
| y_test     | Series    | (291,)     |
| y_train    | Series    | (1160,)    |

- 5. **Data Pre-Processing on input data**: In this step, for <u>input features</u>, I normalized the input data using Scikit-learn library StandardScaler class to scale the data into more like a standard normal distributed data. The logic is that StandardScaler removes the mean and scales the data to standard deviation to 1.
- 6. **Model Architecture and Training:** My basic approach is that I will Build Model\_1 and tune the number of hidden layers, neurons in each hidden layer, activation function and loss function. **Model\_1** is the main model. **Model\_2** is the Model\_1 with modifications on number of hidden layers. **Model\_3** is the Model\_1 with modifications on neurons in each hidden layer. **Model\_4** is the Model\_1 with modifications on learning rate. **Model\_5** is the Model\_1 with modifications on loss function.

#### • Here is the summary of their major difference.

| Features              | Model 1 | Model 2 | Model 3 | Model 4 | Model 5 |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Total Number of Layer | 12      | 17      | 12      | 12      | 12      |
| Hidden Layer          | 10      | 15      | 10      | 15      | 10      |
| Hidden Layer Neurons  | 60      | 60      | 90      | 60      | 60      |
| Activation Function   | relu    | relu    | relu    | relu    | relu    |
| Learning Rate         | 0.001   | 0.001   | 0.001   | 0.005   | 0.001   |
| Loss Function         | MSE     | MSE     | MSE     | MSE     | MAE     |

- Other common factors to consider:
  - a) Validation split factor: 10% of the training data set will be used to validate the dataset to monitor the overfitting problems. My model was trained on 1044 samples and validated on 116 samples.
  - b) **Epochs and batch size**: I have tried a few runs and find batch size is 4 and the epochs are the ones I will tune for the sets to find out the optimal epochs.
  - c) Activation function: Rectified linear Unit. I have also tried tanh and sigmoid functions, but they converge very slow, so slow that I may need an epoch of 10000 times, which might take me hours to run. Also, if I tune up the learning rate greatly, the loss function looks very turbulent. Hence, I will leave that to future work.
  - d) **Initial weight and biases**: Keras randomly initialize the weights and biases. This may cause some minor differences in the final loss and results.

#### • Error Results after several trials.

|  | Model 1 – bas       | ic model                   |       |  |
|--|---------------------|----------------------------|-------|--|
| Epochs                                 | 50                  | Optimal (75)               | 500   |  |
| Root Mean Squared Error                | 32541               | 30263                      | 34304 |  |
| Mean Absolute Error                    | 22884               | 20710                      | 22695 |  |
| Mode                                   | el 2 – model with r | nore hidden layers         |       |  |
| Epochs                                 | 50                  | Optimal (120)              | 500   |  |
| Root Mean Squared Error                | 30512               | 30630                      | 29571 |  |
| Mean Absolute Error                    | 20396               | 18973                      | 20237 |  |
| Model 3 – me                           | odel with more ne   | urons in each hidden layer |       |  |
| Epochs                                 | 50                  | Optimal (110)              | 500   |  |
| Root Mean Squared Error                | 32204               | 29701                      | 31351 |  |
| Mean Absolute Error                    | 21150               | 20312                      | 20776 |  |
| Mode                                   | 14 – model with 5   | times learning rate        |       |  |
| Epochs                                 | 50                  | Optimal (80)               | 500   |  |
| Root Mean Squared Error                | 40103               | 30233                      | 30212 |  |
| Mean Absolute Error                    | 25617               | 19594                      | 20668 |  |
| Model 5 – model with MAE loss function |                     |                            |       |  |
| Epochs                                 | 50                  | Optimal (70)               | 500   |  |
| Root Mean Squared Error                | 32401               | 32437                      | 31283 |  |
| Mean Absolute Error                    | 19130               | 20655                      | 20896 |  |
|  |                     |                            |       |  |

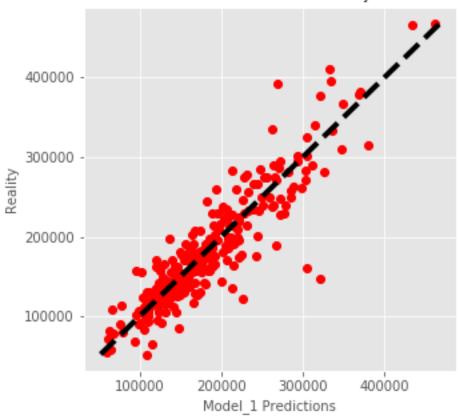
### **Results Comparison and Conclusion**

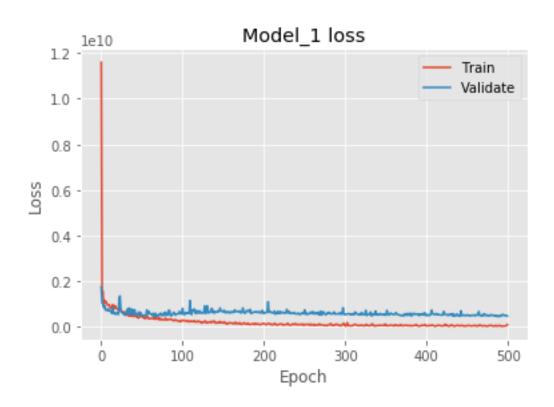
 Final Results comparison on the five Neural Network and previous work done through linear regression and Support Vector Machine models.
 Please see the table attached.

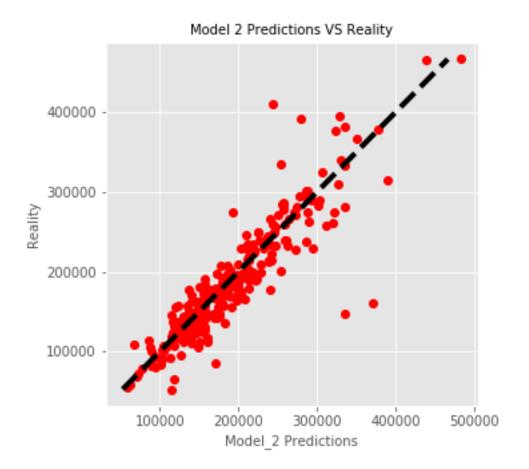
| Model Name             | MAE   | MSE   |
|------------------------|-------|-------|
| Model 1                | 20710 | 30263 |
| Model 2                | 18973 | 30630 |
| Model 3                | 20312 | 29701 |
| Model 4                | 19594 | 30233 |
| Model 5                | 20655 | 32437 |
| Linear Regression      | 22089 | 43507 |
| Support Vector Machine | 52684 | 74236 |

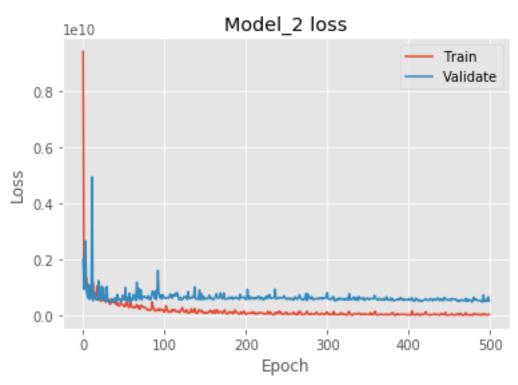
In Model 2 and 3, I achieved the best results of 18K MAE and 30K MSE and in general, neural network presented a better result than linear regression and support vector machine. However, if given more data and more features, I am confident neural network will even produce a better result.

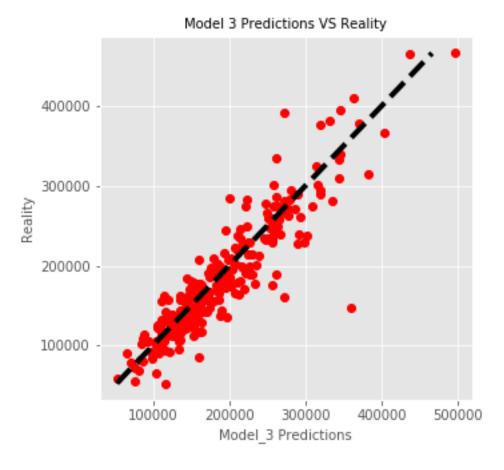


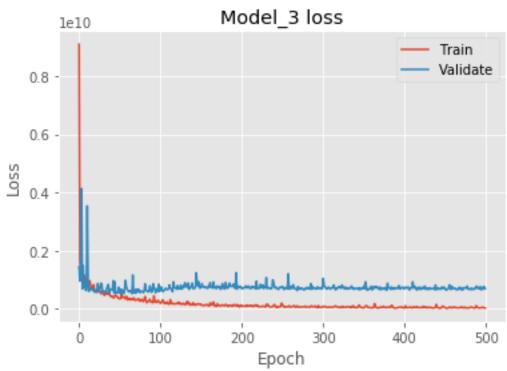


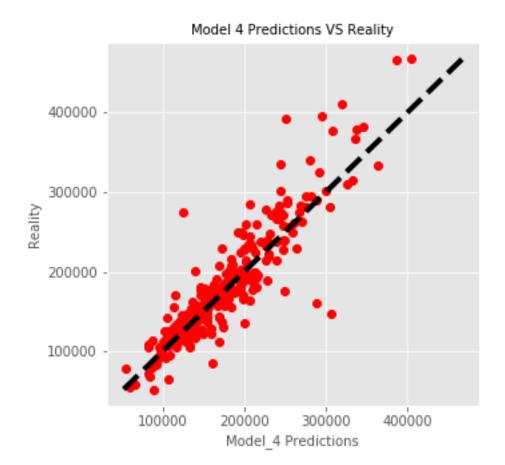


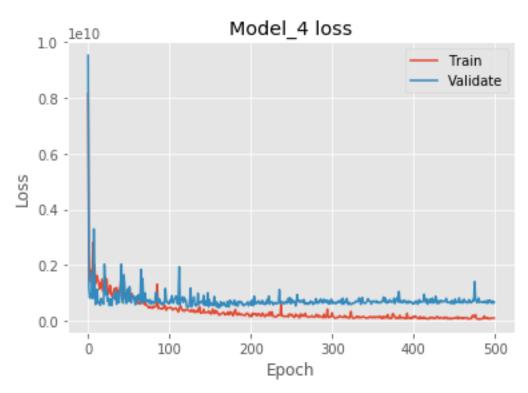


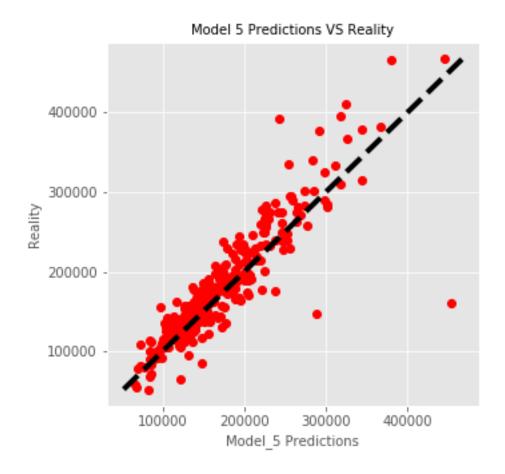


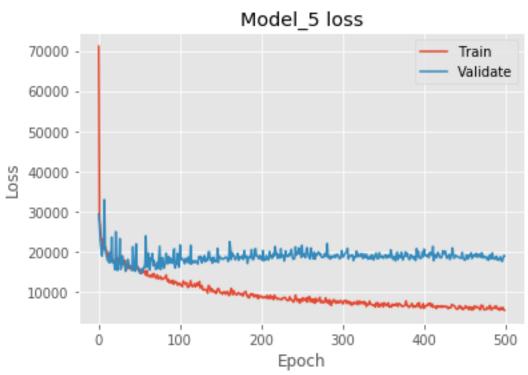


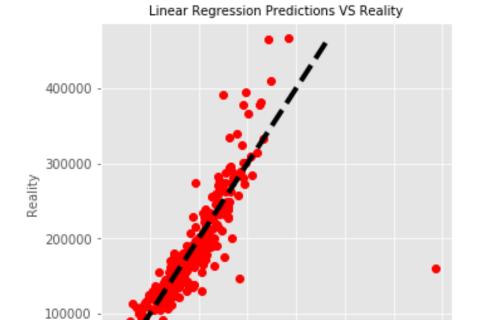






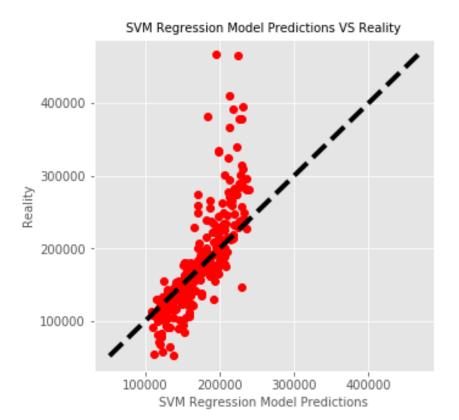






100000 200000 300000 400000 500000 600000 700000

Linear Regression Predictions



- Conclusion: Tuning the network is a complicated process. Many random factors may affect the final result, for example initial weights and biases which decide where we start on the gradient hill. Also, in the 5 models, I used Adam optimizer which results a changing learning rate. Batch size is another factor as well. But in general, we can draw the following conclusions:
  - Deeper neural network has more learning capacity and can generate better results if given more trainings and data
  - Loss on neural network with bigger learning rate would converge quicker but also less stable. The final result is worse than the ones with smaller learning rate, especially when it gets to the minimal points.
  - O Learning rate increase will make our model converges faster but also make the losses more unstable when it reaches the target. That's why in many latest researches, they introduced decay factor.
  - For regression problems, mean squared errors are easier to solve than mean absolute errors, resulting in better results. But mean squared errors are less resistant to outlier data.
  - Comparing to Linear regression and SVM models, in this case, the Neural network results are better than them. But given the flexibility, further improvement is quite possible. The more data and feature we have; the better results neural network will generate.

#### **Python Code**

See below and check file attached *Assignment\_2\_NN.py* and *Assignment\_1.py* 

```
1. use Task 1 ECE9014;
2. #!/usr/bin/env python3
3. # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
5. Created on Thu Oct 25 22:28:53 2018
6. @author: chunyangjia
7.
8.
9. # !/usr/bin/env python3
10. # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
13. Created on Mon Oct 22 14:01:58 2018
15. @author: chunyangjia
16. """
17.
18. # 1. Read in the data and check correlation
19. import pandas as pd
20. import numpy as np
21. import seaborn as sns
22. import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
23.
24. train path =
    '/Users/chunyangjia/Desktop/Western University/ECE9063A/Assignment 2/housing price/trai
25. df_data = pd.read_csv(train_path)
26. print(df_data.shape)
27. print(df_data['SalePrice'].describe())
28. sns.distplot(df_data['SalePrice'])
29. plt.show()
30.
31. # 2. Feature Selection and pre-data modification
32. df corr = df data.corr()
33. df data.index = df data['Id']
34. df data = df data[['LotFrontage','LotArea','OverallQual','OverallCond',
                  'YearBuilt','YearRemodAdd','TotalBsmtSF','1stFlrSF','2ndFlrSF',
35.
                  'GrLivArea', 'FullBath', 'BedroomAbvGr', 'KitchenAbvGr'
36.
                  'TotRmsAbvGrd', 'Fireplaces', 'GarageCars', 'WoodDeckSF',
37.
                  'PoolArea', 'YrSold', 'SalePrice']]
38.
39. df_data.fillna(0,inplace = True)
41. # 3. Removing outliers and filling Nan values
42. df_data.fillna(0,inplace = True)
43. for i in range (1,1460):
44.
      if df_data['SalePrice'][i] > 500000:
45.
           print(2)
46.
            df_data.drop(i, inplace = True)
47.
48.
49. # 4. training and testing sets split
50. X = df_data.loc[:,'LotFrontage':'YrSold']
51. y = df_data['SalePrice']
52.
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53. from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
54. X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.2,shuffle =
   False)
55.
56. # 5.Data preprocessing
57. from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
59. scalerX = StandardScaler().fit(X train)
60. X train = scalerX.transform(X train)
61. X test = scalerX.transform(X test)
62.
63.
64. #6. Model Training and Tuning
65. from keras import models
66. from keras import layers
67. from keras import losses
68. from keras import optimizers
69.
70. #Model 1 training
71. Model 1 = models.Sequential()
72. Model 1.add(layers.Dense(19, input dim= 19))
73. for i in range(0,10):
       Model_1.add(layers.Dense(60, activation = 'relu'))
74.
75. Model 1.add(layers.Dense(1))
76. Model_1.compile(optimizer='adam', loss = losses.mean_squared_error)
77. Model 1.summary()
78. history1 = Model_1.fit(X_train, y_train, validation_split=0.1,
                        epochs = 50, batch size = 4)
80. y1 predict = Model 1.predict(X test)
81. Model 1.save('Model 1.h5')
82.
83. #Model 2 trainig
84. Model 2 = models.Sequential()
85. Model 2.add(layers.Dense(19, input dim= 19))
86. for i in range(0,15):
        Model 2.add(layers.Dense(60, activation = 'relu'))
87.
88. Model 2.add(layers.Dense(1))
89. Model_2.compile(optimizer = 'adam', loss = losses.mean_squared_error)
90. Model 2.summary()
91. history2 = Model_2.fit(X_train, y_train, validation_split = 0.1,
                        epochs = 50, batch size = 4)
93. y2 predict = Model 2.predict(X test)
94. Model 2.save('Model 2.h5')
95.
96. # Model 3 trainig
97. Model 3 = models.Sequential()
98. Model 3.add(layers.Dense(19, input dim= 19))
99. for i in range(0,10):
         Model 3.add(layers.Dense(90, activation = 'relu'))
101. Model 3.add(layers.Dense(1))
102. Model 3.compile(optimizer = 'adam', loss = losses.mean squared error)
103. Model 3.summary()
104. history3 = Model 3.fit(X train, y train, validation split = 0.1,
                         epochs = 50, batch size = 4)
106. y3 predict = Model 3.predict(X test)
107. Model 3.save('Model 3.h5')
109. # Model 4 training
110. Model_4 = models.Sequential()
111. Model_4.add(layers.Dense(19, input_dim= 19))
112. for i in range(0,10):
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113. Model_4.add(layers.Dense(60, activation = 'tanh'))
114. Model_4.add(layers.Dense(1))
115. adam = optimizers.Adam(lr = 0.005)
116. Model_4.compile(optimizer = adam, loss = losses.mean_squared_error)
117. Model_4.summary()
118. history4 = Model_4.fit(X_train, y_train, validation_split = 0.1,
119.
                         epochs = 50, batch size = 4)
120. y4 predict = Model 4.predict(X test)
121. Model 4.save('Model 4.h5')
122.
123. # Model 5 trainig
124. Model 5 = models.Sequential()
125. Model_5.add(layers.Dense(19, input_dim= 19))
126. for i in range(0,10):
         Model 5.add(layers.Dense(60, activation = 'relu'))
128. Model_5.add(layers.Dense(1))
129. Model_5.compile(optimizer = 'adam', loss = losses.mean_absolute_error)
130. Model 5.summary()
131. history5 = Model_5.fit(X_train, y_train, validation_split = 0.1,
132.
                         epochs = 50, batch size = 8)
133. y5 predict = Model 5.predict(X test)
134. Model 5.save('Model 5.h5')
135.
136.
137.
138. from sklearn import metrics
139. print("RMSE for NN Model 1: ", np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(y_test,y1_predict)))
140. print("MAE for NN Model 1: ", metrics.mean_absolute_error(y_test,y1_predict))
142. print("RMSE for NN Model 2: ", np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(y_test,y2_predict)))
143. print("MAE for NN Model 2: ", metrics.mean absolute error(y test,y2 predict))
144.
145. print("RMSE for NN Model 3: ", np.sqrt(metrics.mean squared error(y test,y3 predict)))
146. print("MAE for NN Model 3: ", metrics.mean_absolute_error(y_test,y3_predict))
148. print("RMSE for NN Model 4: ", np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(y_test,y4_predict)))
149. print("MAE for NN Model 4: ", metrics.mean_absolute_error(y_test,y4_predict))
150.
151. print("RMSE for NN Model 5: ", np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(y_test,y5_predict)))
152. print("MAE for NN Model 5: ", metrics.mean_absolute_error(y_test,y5_predict))
154. plt.plot(history1.history['loss'])
155. plt.plot(history1.history['val loss'])
156. plt.title('Model 1 loss')
157. plt.ylabel('Loss')
158. plt.xlabel('Epoch')
159. plt.legend(['Train', 'Validate'], loc='upper right')
160. plt.show()
162. fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (5,5))
163. plt.style.use('ggplot')
164. plt.plot(y1 predict,y test,'ro')
165. plt.xlabel('Model 1 Predictions', fontsize = 10)
166. plt.ylabel('Reality', fontsize = 10)
167. plt.title('Model 1 Predictions VS Reality', fontsize = 10)
168. ax.plot([y_test.min(), y_test.max()], [y_test.min(), y_test.max()], 'k--', lw=4)
169. plt.show()
170.
171. plt.plot(history2.history['loss'])
172. plt.plot(history2.history['val_loss'])
173. plt.title('Model_2 loss')
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174. plt.ylabel('Loss')
175. plt.xlabel('Epoch')
176. plt.legend(['Train', 'Validate'], loc='upper right')
177. plt.show()
178.
179. fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (5,5))
180. plt.style.use('ggplot')
181. plt.plot(y2_predict,y_test,'ro')
182. plt.xlabel('Model 2 Predictions', fontsize = 10)
183. plt.ylabel('Reality', fontsize = 10)
184. plt.title('Model 2 Predictions VS Reality', fontsize = 10)
185. ax.plot([y_test.min(), y_test.max()], [y_test.min(), y_test.max()], 'k--', lw=4)
186. plt.show()
187.
188. plt.plot(history3.history['loss'])
189. plt.plot(history3.history['val_loss'])
190. plt.title('Model_3 loss')
191. plt.ylabel('Loss')
192. plt.xlabel('Epoch')
193. plt.legend(['Train', 'Validate'], loc='upper right')
194. plt.show()
195.
196. fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (5,5))
197. plt.style.use('ggplot')
198. plt.plot(y3_predict,y_test,'ro')
199. plt.xlabel('Model_3 Predictions', fontsize = 10)
200. plt.ylabel('Reality', fontsize = 10)
201. plt.title('Model 3 Predictions VS Reality', fontsize = 10)
202. ax.plot([y_test.min(), y_test.max()], [y_test.min(), y_test.max()], 'k--', lw=4)
203. plt.show()
205. plt.plot(history4.history['loss'])
206. plt.plot(history4.history['val loss'])
207. plt.title('Model 4 loss')
208. plt.ylabel('Loss')
209. plt.xlabel('Epoch')
210. plt.legend(['Train', 'Validate'], loc='upper right')
211. plt.show()
212.
213. fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (5,5))
214. plt.style.use('ggplot')
215. plt.plot(y4_predict,y_test,'ro')
216. plt.xlabel('Model 4 Predictions', fontsize = 10)
217. plt.ylabel('Reality', fontsize = 10)
218. plt.title('Model 4 Predictions VS Reality', fontsize = 10)
219. ax.plot([y test.min(), y test.max()], [y test.min(), y test.max()], 'k--', lw=4)
220. plt.show()
221.
222. plt.plot(history5.history['loss'])
223. plt.plot(history5.history['val_loss'])
224. plt.title('Model 5 loss')
225. plt.ylabel('Loss')
226. plt.xlabel('Epoch')
227. plt.legend(['Train', 'Validate'], loc='upper right')
228. plt.show()
229.
230. fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (5,5))
231. plt.style.use('ggplot')
232. plt.plot(y5 predict,y test,'ro')
233. plt.xlabel('Model_5 Predictions', fontsize = 10)
234. plt.ylabel('Reality', fontsize = 10)
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235. plt.title('Model 5 Predictions VS Reality', fontsize = 10)
236. ax.plot([y_test.min(), y_test.max()], [y_test.min(), y_test.max()], 'k--', lw=4)
237. plt.show()
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#Python Code for linear regression and SVM Models
238. #!/usr/bin/env python3
239. # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
240. """
241. Created on Mon Oct 22 14:01:58 2018
242.
243. @author: chunyangjia
244. """
245.
246. import pandas as pd
247. import numpy as np
248. from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
250. #bring in the data and make the id into index
251. train path =
    '/Users/chunyangjia/Desktop/Western_University/ECE9063A/Assignment_2/housing_price/trai
   n.csv'
252. df_data = pd.read_csv(train_path)
253. print (df_data.head())
254. df corr = df data.corr()
256.
257. df_data.index = df_data['Id']
258. df_data = df_data[['LotFrontage','LotArea','OverallQual','OverallCond',
                   'YearBuilt','YearRemodAdd','TotalBsmtSF','1stFlrSF','2ndFlrSF',
'GrLivArea','FullBath','BedroomAbvGr','KitchenAbvGr',
259.
260.
                   'TotRmsAbvGrd', 'Fireplaces', 'GarageCars', 'WoodDeckSF',
261.
                   'PoolArea', 'YrSold', 'SalePrice']]
262.
263. df data.fillna(0,inplace = True)
264. print (df_data.head())
265.
266. for i in range (1,1460):
         if df_data['SalePrice'][i] > 500000:
267.
268.
             print(2)
             df_data.drop(i, inplace = True)
269.
270.
271. #training and testing sets split
272. X = df_data.loc[:,'LotFrontage':'YrSold']
273. y = df_data['SalePrice']
274.
275. from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
276. scalerx = StandardScaler()
277. #scalery = StandardScaler()
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278. X = scalerx.fit_transform(X)
279. #y = scalery.fit_transform(y)
281. X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X,y, test_size = 0.2,shuffle =
282.
283.
285. #Linear Regression
286.
287. from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression
288. Model LR = LinearRegression()
289. Model_LR.fit(X_train,y_train)
290.
291. y_LR_pred = Model_LR.predict(X_test)
292.
293. from sklearn import metrics
294.
295. print("RMSE for linear regression: ",
   np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(y_test,y_LR_pred)))
296. print("MAE for linear regression: ", metrics.mean_absolute_error(y_test,y_LR_pred))
297. #df_linear = pd.DataFrame({'Actual':y_test, 'Linear Regression Predicted':y_pred})
299. #print(df linear)
301.
302. from sklearn import svm
303.
304. SVM model = svm.SVR(C = 1000, epsilon = 0.0001)
305. SVM model.fit(X train,y train)
306.
307. y svm pred = SVM model.predict(X test)
309. print("RMSE for SVR: ", np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(y_test,y_svm_pred)))
310. print("MAE for SVR: ", metrics.mean absolute error(y test,y svm pred))
311. df_SVM = pd.DataFrame({'Actual':y_test, 'SVM_Predicted':y_svm_pred,'Linear Regression
   Predicted':y_LR_pred})
312.
313.
315.
316. import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
318. fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (5,5))
319. plt.style.use('ggplot')
320. plt.plot(y LR pred,y test, 'ro')
321. plt.xlabel('Linear Regression Predictions', fontsize = 10)
322. plt.ylabel('Reality', fontsize = 10)
323. plt.title('Linear Regression Predictions VS Reality', fontsize = 10)
324. ax.plot([y_test.min(), y_test.max()], [y_test.min(), y_test.max()], 'k--', lw=4)
325. plt.show()
326.
327. fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (5,5))
328. plt.style.use('ggplot')
329. plt.plot(y svm pred,y test,'ro')
330. plt.xlabel('SVM Regression Model Predictions', fontsize = 10)
331. plt.ylabel('Reality', fontsize = 10)
332. plt.title('SVM Regression Model Predictions VS Reality', fontsize = 10)
333. ax.plot([y test.min(), y test.max()], [y test.min(), y test.max()], 'k--', lw=4)
334. plt.show()
335.
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