

Predict Used Car Prices in Saudi Arabia with

Machine Learning on Syarah.com





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AGENDA



O1 Business problem

04 Modeling

O2 Data understanding

05 Conclusion

O3 Data preprocessing



Recommendation

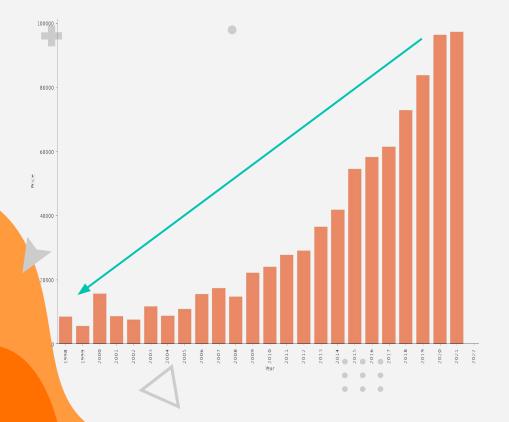


BUSINESS PROBLEM

- Context Business
- Goals
- Success Criteria

Price depreciation is a significant factor, as car values naturally

decrease over time



Price is also influenced by other features

Condition

Mileage

difficult to get the right price

Over Price

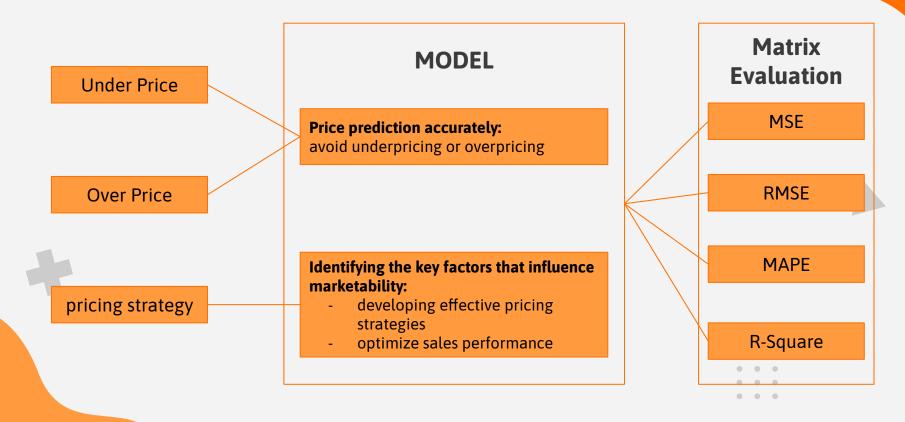
- slower sales
- increased storage costs
- further value loss

Under Price

missed revenue opportunities

Solve problem with machine learning from predict price

Building a Model to solve the problem: price prediction and identification of influencing factors



GOALS



Develop an Accurate and Competitive Price Prediction System





Strategy Optimization

Offer premium features to increase profits



Providing clear information on factors influencing car prices





Growth Marketplace

accelerate transactions and support business growth.









Overview dataset used car in saudi arabia's





OVERVIEW DATA

Total Data:

5.624 Data

Description:

Saudi arabia's used car

Sumber:

syarah.com

Feature	Description	Impact to Business
Туре	Type of used car	Determining the types that are popular in market
Region	The region in which the used car was offered for sale	Understanding sales trends by location
Make	The company name	Find out the most popular car brands
Gear_Type	Gear type size of used car	Determining customer preference (auto or manual)
*Origin	Origin of used car	Helps determine customers are interested in (local)
*Options	Options of used car	Determining car values that can increase the price
Year	Manufacturing years	year of production affects for price and demand
Engine_Size	The engine size of used car	Determine buyer interest based on vehicle needs
Mileage	Mileage of used car	The kilometers traveled affect the selling price
Negotiable	True if the price is 0, that means it is negotiable	Demonstrate pricing flexibility
Price	Price used cars	important factors for buyers

Target



Data Preprocessing

Data cleaning and feature engineering before used in model

Data Cleaning



Missing Values

all missing values will be removed



"Origin" column needs to be improved. The "Unknown" value can be replaced with "Other"











Feature Selection

The "Negotiable" column and data with "Price=0" were removed

Duplicate Values

all Duplicated data will be removed

Handling Outlier

- "Year" < 2000
- "Engine_Size" >= 8
- "Mileage" >= 600000
- "Price" < 5000



Feature Engineering

Best Transformation

Data Categorical

Data Numerical

One Hot Encoder

- "Gear Type"
- "Origin"
- "Option"

Rare Label transform

Binary Encoder

- "Type"
- "Make"
- "Region"

Robust Scaling

- "Engine_Size"
- "Mileage"
- "Year"



Model Benchmarking

Algorithm

- Decision Tree
- K- Nearest Neighbor
- Linear Regression
- Random Forest
- XGB
- Gradient Boosting
- ADA Boost

Transformation Target for Each Algorithm

very good to use for regression





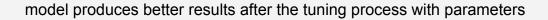
Result Model

Name	Mean RMSE	STD RMSE	Mean MAE	STD MAE	Mean MAPE	STD MAPE	Mean R2	STD R2
XGBOOST	-34894.87	7458.09	-17121.38	1603.23	-0.22	0.02	0.77	0.06
Random Forest	-38706.96	8354.69	-17902.6 1	1521.11	-0.23	0.02	0.77	0.07
Gradient Boosting	-39508.94	7508.73	-19832.4 7	1639.88	-0.24	0.01	0.71	0.06
KNN	-40133.90	7564.80	-19736.7 8	1647.40	-0.28	0.02	0.70	0.06
Decision Tree	-48986.24	7739.48 6	-26114.9 7	1779.74	-0.33	0.01	0.56	0.07
Ada Boots	-50486.97	7505.82	-28563.1 8	2379.68	-0.38	0.03	0.53	0.05
Linear Regression	-56153.03	5765.47	-25652.3 0	1693.17	-0.35	0.02	0.41	0.10

Best Model

Tuning parameter

	RMSE	MAE	MAPE	R2
Before Tuning	28445.21	14624.80	0.195	0.831
After Tuning	27210.94	14244.15	0.188	0.845



Gamma = 0

Learning rate = 0.1

Max depth = 5

N estimator = 500

Reg alpha = 0.1

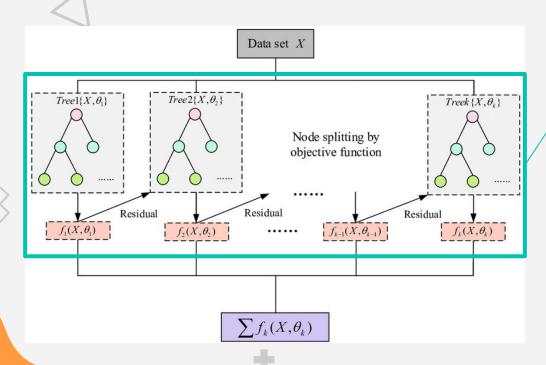
Col sample by tree = 0.5

Subsample = 0.9



What is XGBOOST??

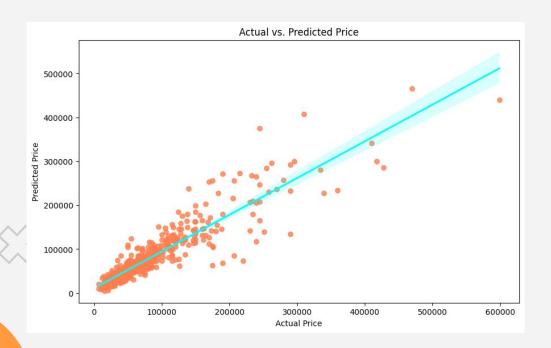
The XGBoost model is one of the techniques in machine learning designed to make highly accurate predictions.



Process XG BOOST

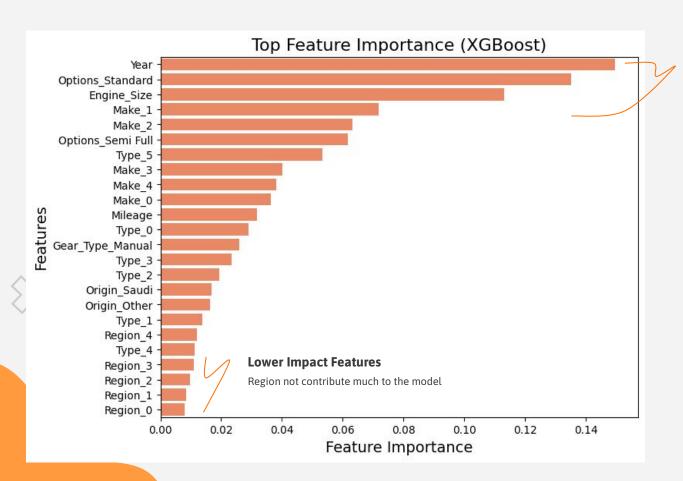
- XGBoost works by correcting the mistakes made by previous experts.
- Every step of the way, XGBoost strengthens these predictions so that the end result is highly accurate.

Assessing the Performance of Used Car Price Prediction Model



- The plot demonstrates that the model performs well overall, with predictions closely matching actual values for most cases.
- However, there is room for improvement in handling higher actual prices and reducing outliers.

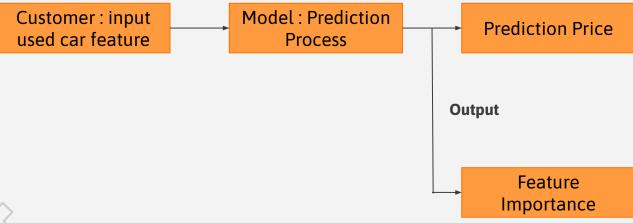
the most influential feature in the model



Top Features Drive Predictions

indicating that focusing on these features is crucial for the accuracy of the model.

How to use the model?





strategies to increase profits:

Prediction Price

Free: generate price ranges to be able to estimate prices

Premium: display the model as accurately as possible

Feature Importance

Free: provides features that affect the price

Premium: provides recommended strategies for selling used cars

Conclusion and Recommendation

Conclusion for model and business and recommendation





Conclusion Model

1. Model produces the best results in new data

MAE Target ≤ 5%

R-Square ≥ 0.80

2. features that have the most influence on the predicted price

Standard Option

Year

Brand

Engine Size

3. Limitation Model

Price > SAR 5000

Mileage < 600000

Year > 2000

Engine Size = 8000 CC

max profit: the advantage that can be obtained from using machine learning

Premium Revenue Model for Paid Services



Development Machine learning



Result Predict

total lost profits of all cheap car sellers (under predict): SAR 1125619.50

Proportion total hard to sell cars (over predict): 0.5

Recommendation

Important

improve the model to produce better results and update the model regularly.

Middle

Optimize Premium
Pricing: Regularly
evaluate premium feature
pricing to ensure
competitiveness and
profitability.

Low

Increase Premium
Features: promotions and advertisements.

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are there any questions?

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https://github.com/ghaisanr/Predict-used-cars-price-in-Saudi-Arabia-s

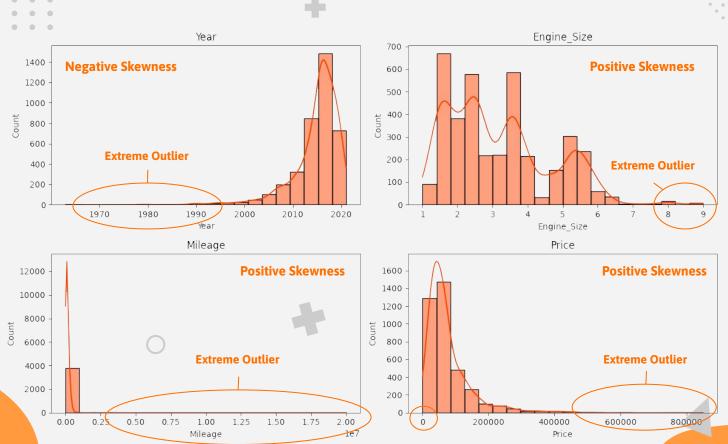




APPENDIX

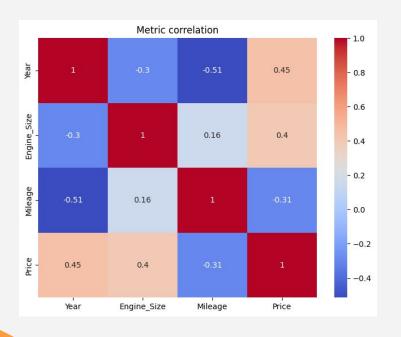
Data Understanding: EDA

Numerical Data Distribution Analysis Using Histograms: Pattern Identification and Outliers



Data Understanding: EDA

Correlation Matrix Visualization: Understanding Relationships Between Variables in Numerical Data



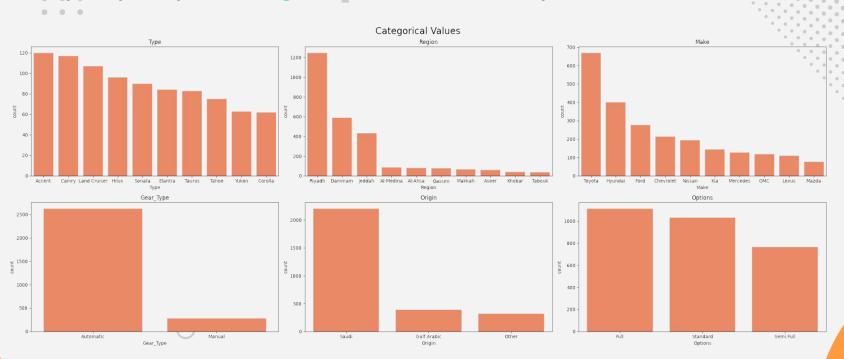
Based on the correlation matrix above, it can be seen:

- Positive correlation between "Year" and "Price" of 0.45 This shows that the newer the year of the car, the higher the price tends to be.
- Negative correlation between "Price" and "Mileage" of -0.31. This shows that the greater the Mileage, the lower the price tends to be.
- 3. **Negative correlation** between "Year" and "Mileage" of -0.51. This shows that the newer the year of the car, the lower the mileage.

No one has a high correlation so there is no multicollinearity problem.

Data Understanding: EDA

Frequency Analysis of Categorical Data: Bar Plot for Top 10 Values



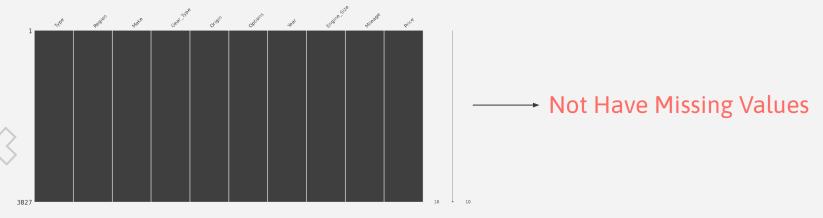
Data Preprocessing: Cleaning Data

Feature Selection

remove columns that are not needed for analysis: "Negotiable" ----- "price"= 0

because a price of 0 can result in machine learning results that are not appropriate

Missing Values



Duplicated Data

Total Duplicated data = 3 (Drop data) ——— Because efficiency in terms of time

Data Preprocessing: Cleaning Data

Spelling Error

Check spelling error with nunique code for each categorical column

	Features	Nunique	Unique Name
	Туре	320	[Yukon, Range Rover, Optima, CX3, Cayenne S, S
	Region	27	[Riyadh, Hafar Al-Batin, Abha, Makkah, Dammam,
	Make	56	[GMC, Land Rover, Kia, Mazda, Porsche, Hyundai
	Gear_Type		[Automatic, Manual
	Origin		[Saudi, Gulf Arabic, Other, Unknown
	Options		[Full, Semi Full, Standard
	Year	41	[2014, 2015, 2019, 2012, 2016, 2013, 2011, 200
	Engine_Size		[8.0, 5.0, 2.4, 2.0, 4.8, 3.5, 5.7, 4.6, 4.0,
	Mileage	1346	[80000, 140000, 220000, 25000, 189000, 155, 11
9	Price	466	[120000, 260000, 42000, 58000, 85000, 48000, 8

has the same meaning and it would be a shame to delete it

Rows "Other" > "Unknown"

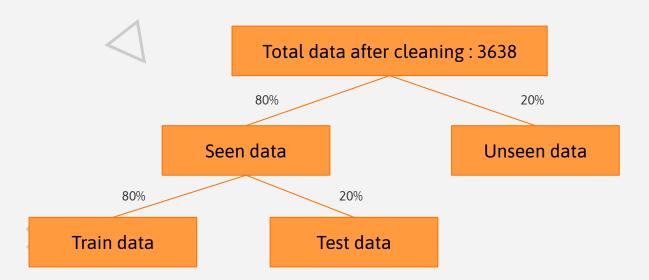
"Unknown" value can be replaced with "Other"

Handling Outlier

- Total drop "Year" < 2000: 74
- Total drop "Engine_Size" >= 8: 25
- Total drop "Mileage" >= 600000: 21
- Total drop "Price" < 5000: 66

Extreme Outlier = unreasonable value

Data Generation



Seen data

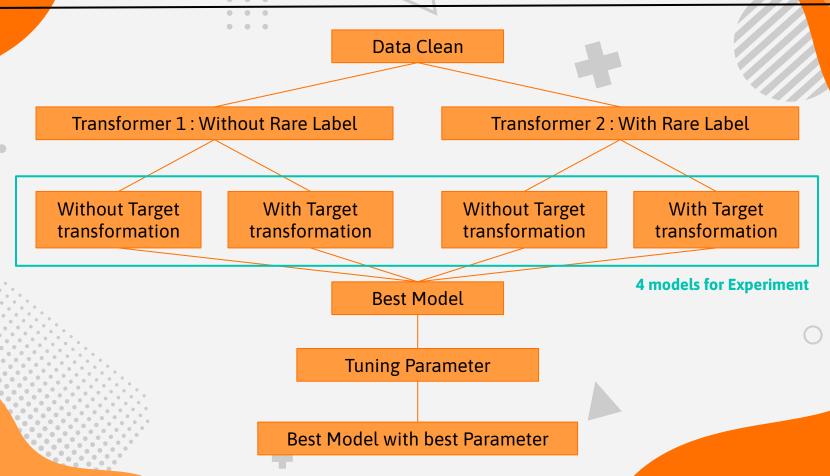
Develop machine learning model

- Train data: helps the model understand the trends and patterns
- Test data: evaluate the model's

Unseen data

- Business calculations
- Decision Making at Syarah.com

Modeling: Workflow experiment



Modeling: Transformation Data Process

Transformer 1

Data Categorical

One Hot Encoder

- "Gear Type"
- "Origin"
- "Option"

Rare Label transform

- "Type"
- "Make"
- "Region"

Data Numerical

Robust Scaling

- "Engine_Size"
- "Mileage"
- "Year"

Transformer 2

Data Categorical

One Hot Encoder

- "Gear Type"
- "Origin"
- "Option"

Rare Label transform — Binary Encoder

- "Type"
- "Make"
- "Region"

Data Numerical

Robust Scaling

- "Engine_Size"
- "Mileage"
- "Year"



Modeling: Result the Model Experiment

Model 1 — Transformer 1: Without rare label handling Model: without target transformation

	Model	Mean_RMSE	Std_RMSE	Mean_MAE	Std_MAE	Mean_MAPE	Std_MAPE	Mean_R2	Std_R2		
0	XGBoost Regressor	-36677.752329	7965.059973	-18675.497576	2065.133387	-0.273254	0.032643	0.754893	0.074117	Best Mod	el
1	RandomForest Regressor	-37724.938398	8045.084000	-19049.848531	1969.917511	-0.293167	0.040291	0.743048	0.067408		
2	KNN Regressor	-39813.406485	6902.624331	-20705.292906	1292.641097	-0.335389	0.033154	0.711165	0.065274		
3	gradianboosting Regressor	-40130.824916	9267.513029	-21591.930682	1929.167374	-0.322533	0.036859	0.706338	0.094402		
4	Linear Regression	-48210.530774	9083.467878	-23850.274347	2097.311145	-0.345911	0.043534	0.582491	0.079777		
5	DecisionTree Regressor	-53279.459477	7246.709758	-33711.647558	1465.265914	-0.648038	0.054477	0.486503	0.064598		
6	AdaBoost Regressor	-66156.069815	4408.307258	-53816.779195	2873.585629	-1.205191	0.140052	0.192983	0.123924		

Model 2 — Transformer 2: With rare label handling Model: without target transformation

	Model	Mean_RMSE	Std_RMSE	Mean_MAE	Std_MAE	Mean_MAPE	Std_MAPE	Mean_R2	Std_R2	
0	XGBoost Regressor	-35487.342857	6979.064046	-17607.407043	1394.778618	-0.264460	0.025341	0.771915	0.057168	 Best Model
1	RandomForest Regressor	-37921.750871	8238.529659	-18667.439529	1406.494375	-0.277906	0.026125	0.740961	0.066994	
2	gradianboosting Regressor	-39090.228910	7295.780589	-21617.125663	1280.026693	-0.318952	0.028358	0.722996	0.062629	
3	KNN Regressor	-40501.770644	6037.834297	-20825.466745	1053.370620	-0.334178	0.027707	0.703280	0.044297	
4	Linear Regression	-52711.446156	8382.274487	-24002.115872	2686.446242	-0.353436	0.030502	0.493003	0.107352	
5	DecisionTree Regressor	-53268.200628	6483.465637	-33790.378906	1106.011040	-0.654075	0.049417	0.487053	0.040733	
6	AdaBoost Regressor	-68017.881848	4834.998711	-56833.560863	5090.915941	-1.318973	0.203918	0.151450	0.099065	

Modeling: Result the Model Experiment

Model 3 — Transformer 1: Without rare label handling Model: with target transformation

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Model 4 — Transformer 2: With rare label handling Model: with target transformation

	Model	Mean_RMSE	Std_RMSE	Mean_MAE	Std_MAE	Mean_MAPE	Std_MAPE	Mean_R2	Std_R2	
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Model Performance Comparison: Model 4 Shows Best Results using XGBOOST

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Model 2	XGBOOST	-35487.34 2	6979.06	-17607.40	1394.77	-0.26	0.02	0.77	0.05
Model 1	XGBOOST	-36677.75	7965.05	-18675.49	2065.133	-0.27	0.03	0.75	0.07

Best Model

- performs well overall, especially in terms of RMSE and R-squared.
- consistent performance with low standard deviations across metrics