

# Ensemble Learning - QRT Challenge

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#### **WORKFLOW DISTRIBUTION**

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Initial Analysis	Data Preprocessing + Feature Engineering	Modelling + Hypertuning	Other method+ Presentation
<ul> <li>Conceptualized inital analysis for scope of project.</li> <li>Performed benchmarking modelling using LR, RF and Grad Boosting.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Analyzed feature importance and mutual information between features.</li> <li>Created new features to improve baseline.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Implemented machine learning models like RF and XGBoost while hypertuning them.</li> <li>Used ensemble methods like stacking on hypertuned models to improve score.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tried Neural Networks+         Stacking model</li> <li>Developed the inital and final presentation.</li> </ul>





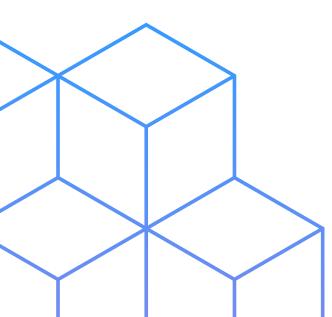


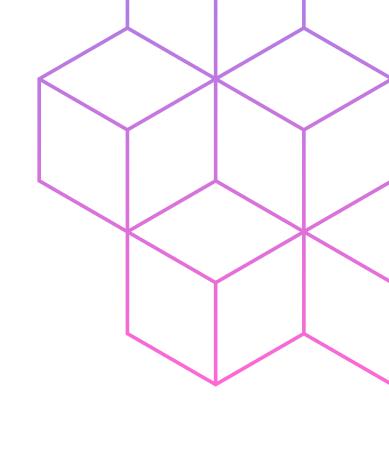
### Challenges

- **Develop a model** to estimate daily electricity futures price variation in France and Germany.
- Utilize simultaneous weather, energy, and trade data for explanatory variables.
- Aim for a high Spearman's correlation score between model predictions and actual price variations.

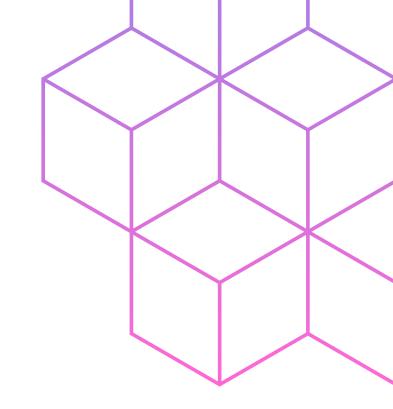
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# Baseline Benchmarking



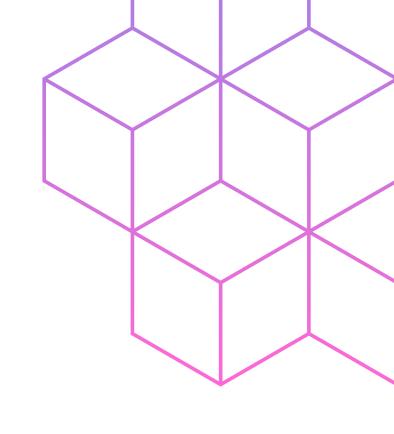
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# Simple Model Benchmarking



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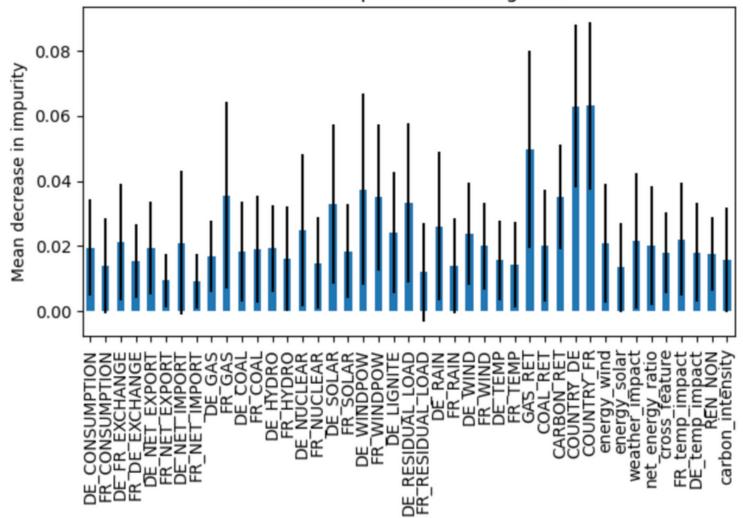


	Model	MSE	MAE	R-squared	Training Time (s)
0	linear_regression	1.005881	0.571140	0.059612	0.010603
1	random_forest	0.172495	0.244220	0.838737	6.371138
2	gradient_boosting	0.563034	0.458647	0.473624	1.277884

### Feature Importance

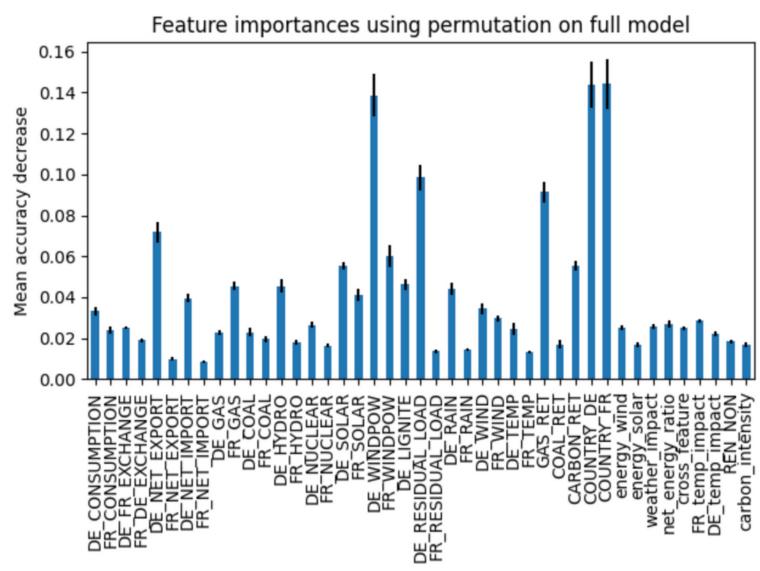






Feature importance based on feature permutation





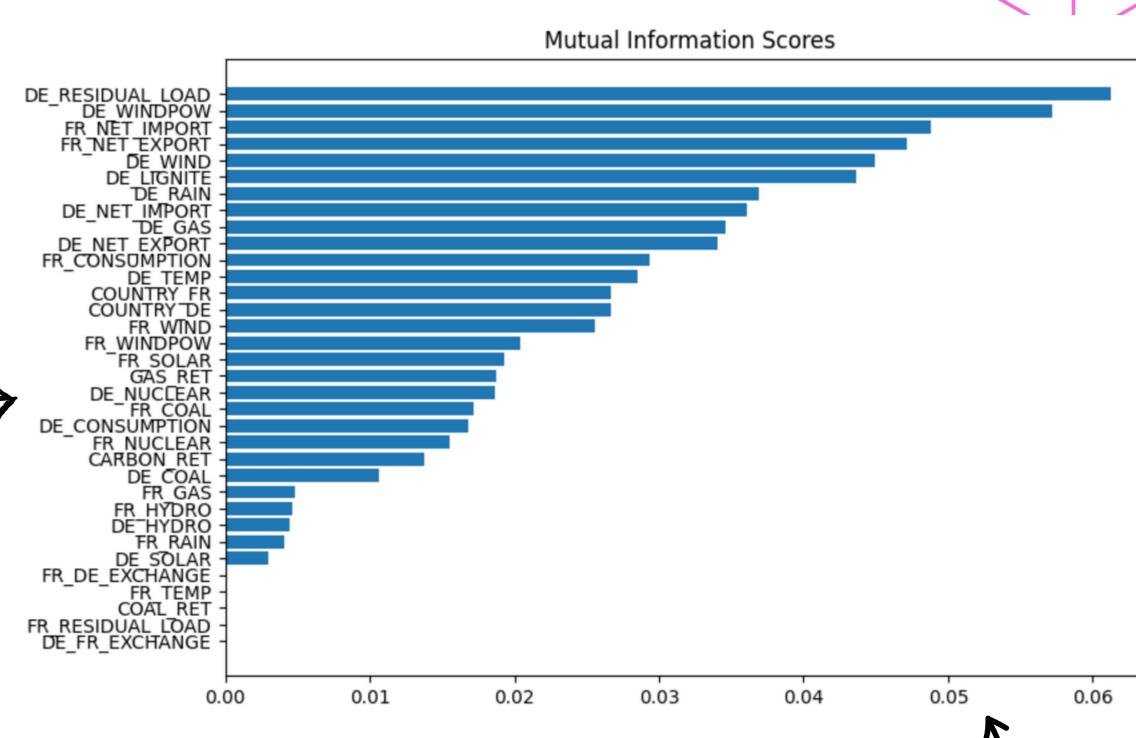
### Data Preprocessing

### **Categorical Variables**

- Since we have a small amount of data we try to convert categorical variables into numerical data for modelling.
- We used **One Hot Encoding** for encoding the countries France and Germany.

#### **Numerical Variables**

 We observe for feature importance of variables by finding out mutual information shared between feature variables and target variable



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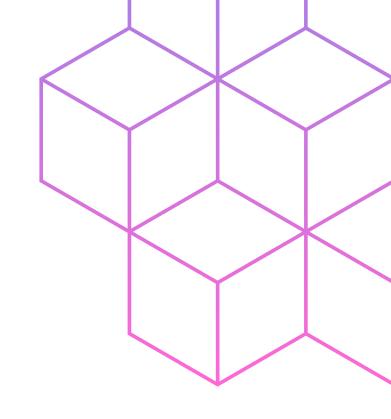
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	FEATURE ENGINEERING	Description	Operation / Formula
7	Energy Production Efficiency	capture how much of the consumption is covered by renewable sources.	DE_WIND / DE_CONSUMPTION
	Weather Impact on Energy	Weather Impact on Energy hydroelectric power production	
	Net Exchange Ratios:	contribution of cross-border exchanges	(DE_FR_EXCHANGE - FR_DE_EXCHANGE) / (DE_CONSUMPTION + FR_CONSUMPTION)
	Cross-Feature Interactions	capture the proportion of renewable energy in total consumption.	(FR_WIND + FR_SOLAR) / FR_CONSUMPTION
	Temperature Effect on Consumption	Capture the effect of changing temperature on consumption	FR_TEMP * FR_CONSUMPTION and DE_TEMP * DE_CONSUMPTION
	Renewable vs. Non-renewable renewable energy production for each country		(FR_WINDPOW + FR_SOLAR) / (FR_COAL + FR_GAS)
	Carbon Intensity	Create a feature representing the carbon intensity of electricity generation	(COAL_RET + GAS_RET) / (DE_CONSUMPTION + FR_CONSUMPTION)

### New Baseline Models

(Post Feature Engineering)

Now that we have a lot new features, it may help us in better capturing information for our baseline models as we can see below -

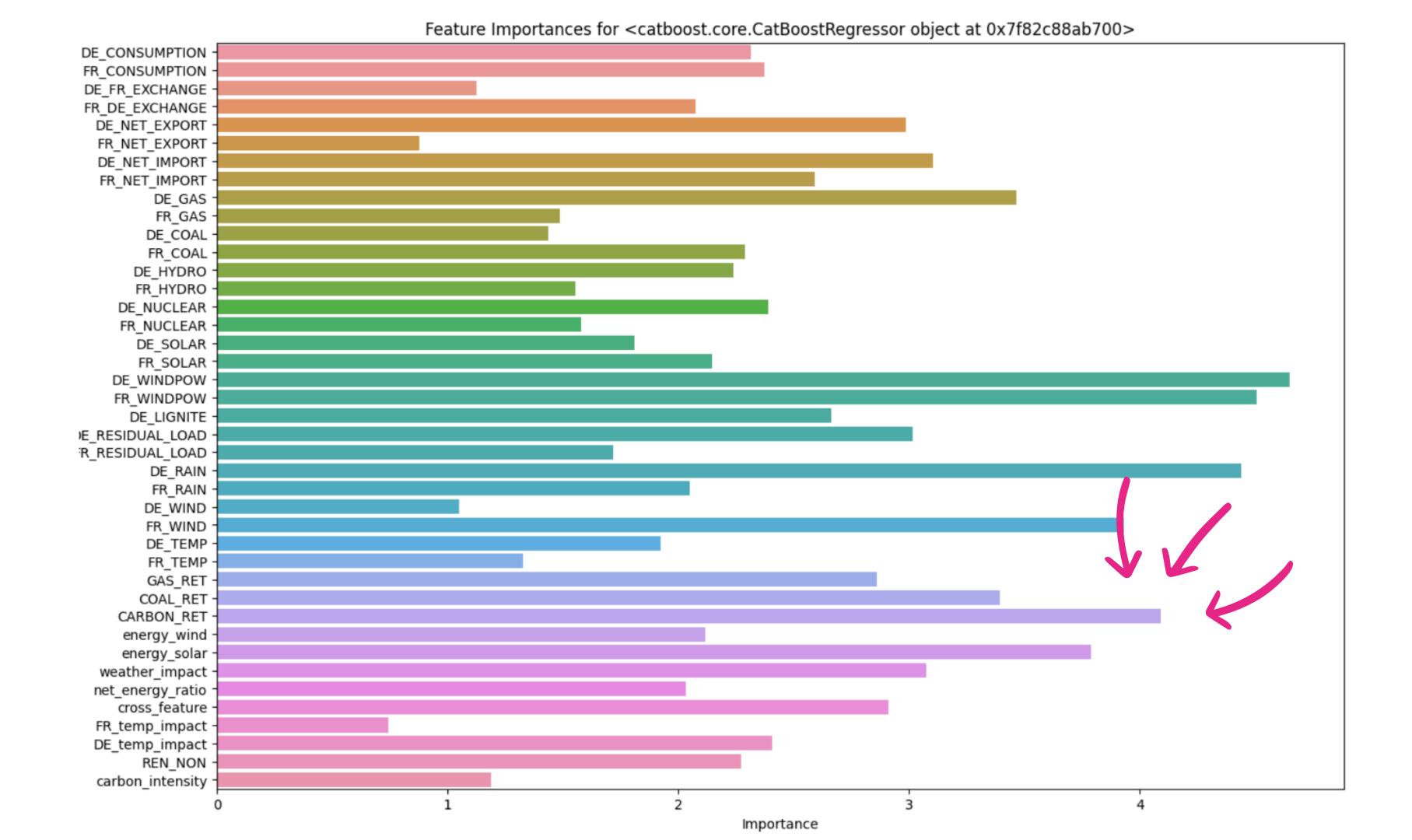
	Model	MSE	MAE	R-squared	Spearman Correlation	Training Time	(s)
0	linear_regression	1.007896	0.570350	0.057728	0.282749	0.00	8636
1	random_forest	0.460711	0.410996	0.569285	0.705836	7.01	6092
2	gradient_boosting	0.632364	0.485608	0.408809	0.527472	1.70	3051
3	catboost	0.467540	0.426235	0.562901	0.666339	0.62	24797
4	adaboost	1.058812	0.767298	0.010127	0.206557	0.46	8092
5	lightgbm	0.517071	0.430942	0.516595	0.678818	0.50	0108
6	xgboost	0.448704	0.409082	0.580511	0.697189	0.90	8484

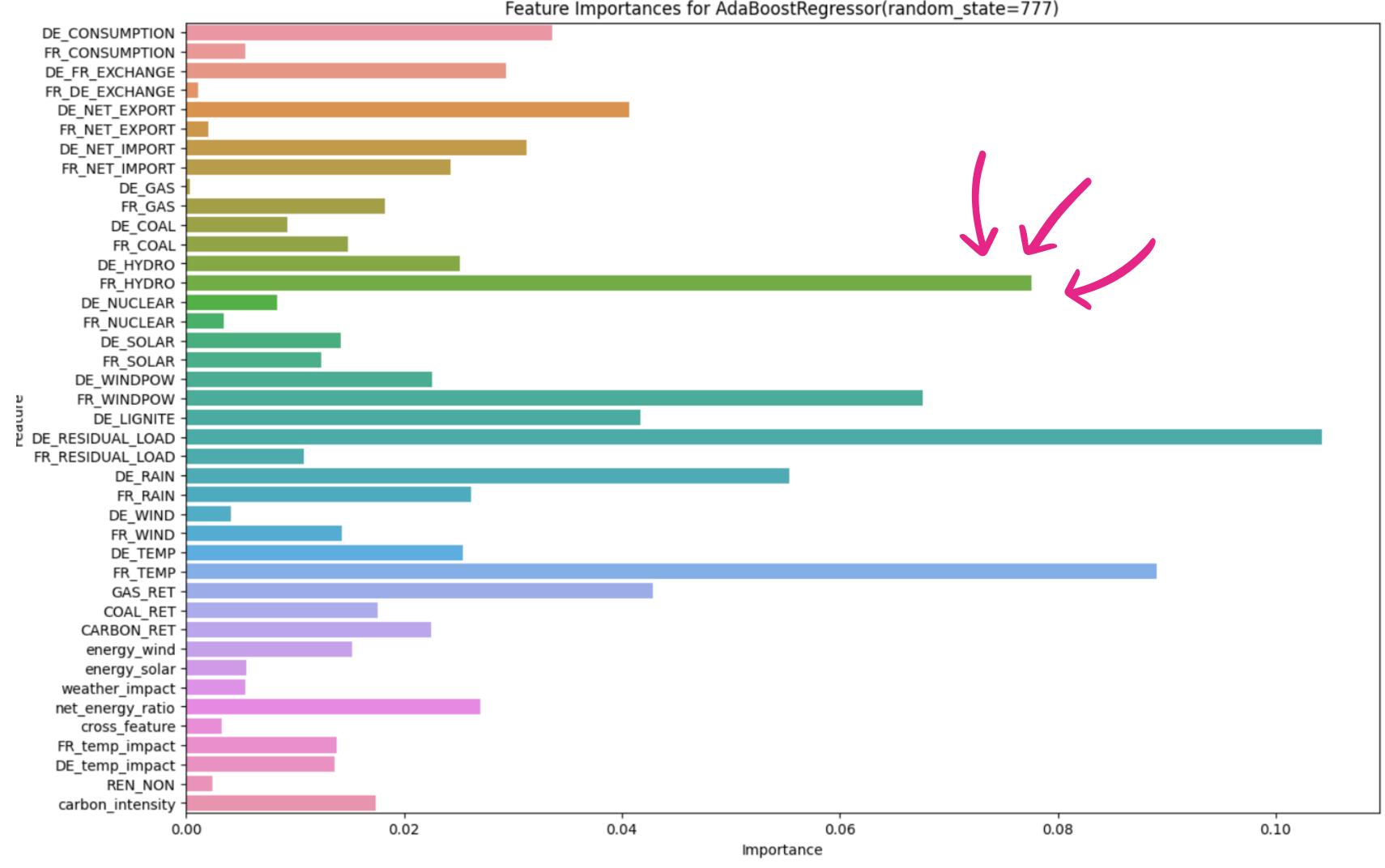




# NOW WE WILL LOOK BRIEFLY AT FEATURE IMPORTANCE OF THE NEW BASELINE MODELS POST FEATURE ENGINEERING AND SEE THE IMPACT OF OUR NEW FEATURES







# NOW THAT WE WILL PICK PROCEED WITH A SIMPLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE TECHNIQUE OF OUR MOST EFFECTIVE BASELINE MODELS THAT INCLUDE RANDOM FOREST, XGBOOST AND CATBOOST



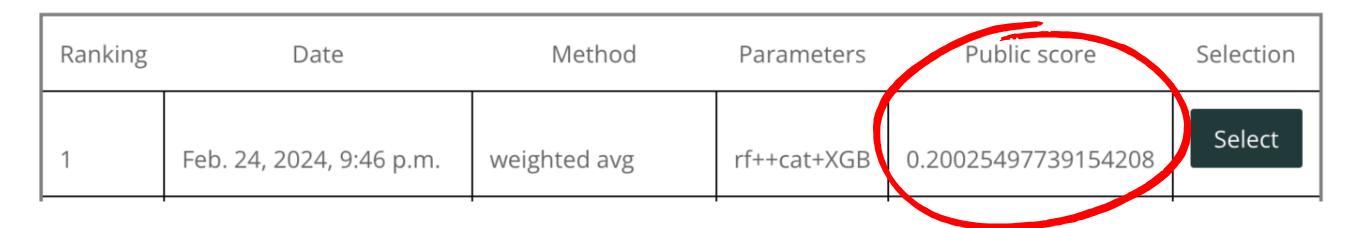
## Weighted Average



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weights = {
    "random_forest": 0.4,
    "xgboost": 0.35,
    "catboost": 0.25
}
```







### IMPLEMENTING NEW STATEGY USING ENSEMBLE METHODS AND HYPERTUNING

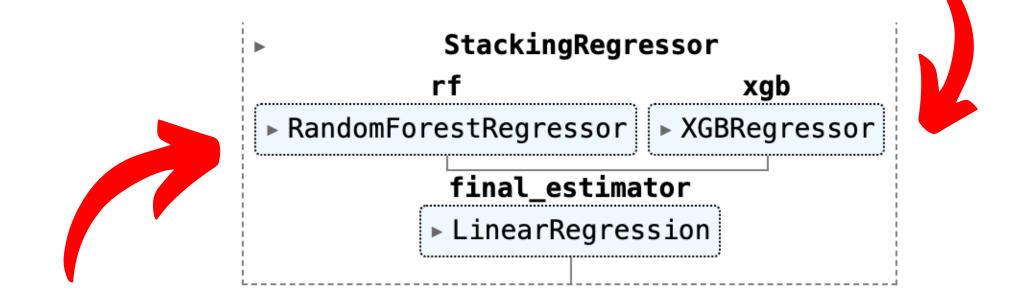


# Hypertuned Models + Stacking



#### **Tuned XGBoost Parameters**

Best hyperparameters: {'n\_estimators': 958, 'max\_depth': 3, 'learning\_rate': 0.012983502840524876, 'subsample': 0.8613472551443894, 'colsample\_bytree': 0.8592122590269452, 'gamma': 6.265636328745365e-08, 'reg\_lambda': 32.19471816344407. 'reg\_alpha': 42.70703483364794}



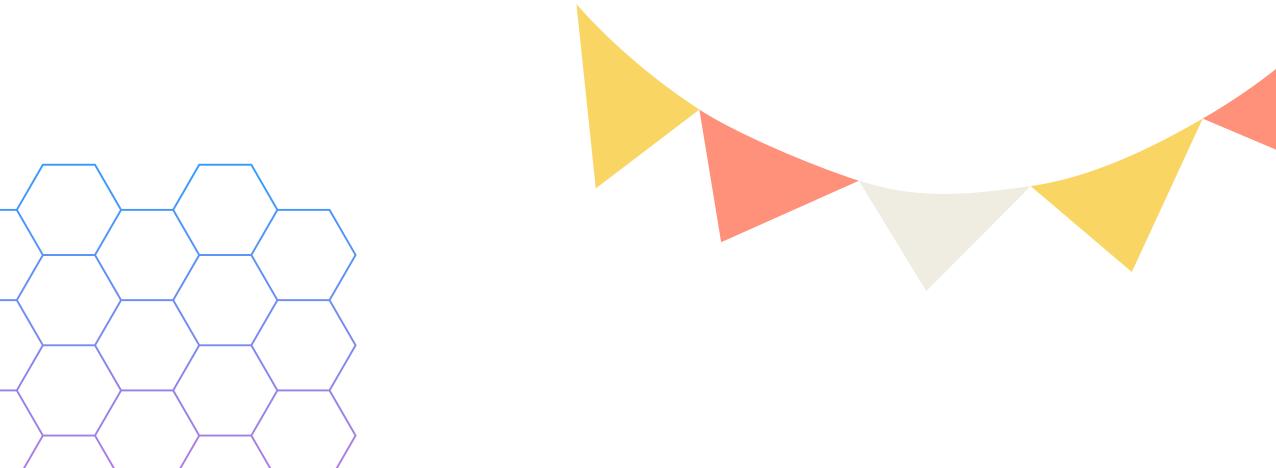
#### **Tuned Random Forest Parameters**

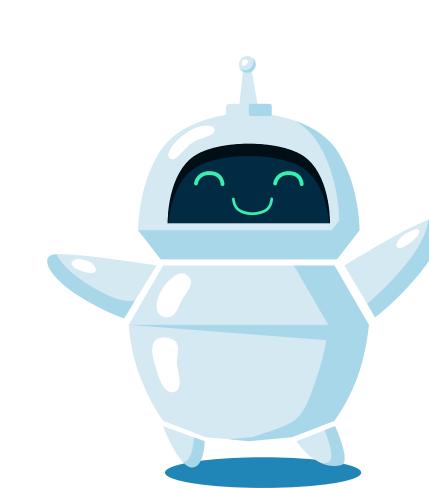
hyperparameters: {'n\_estimators': 352, 'max\_depth': 14, 'min\_samples\_split': 5, 'min\_samples\_leaf': 13



### Best Score!







### All submission results

Ranking	Date	Method	Parameters	Public score	Selection
1	Feb. 15, 2024, 6:48 p.m.	rf+hypertuning	rf	0.19228844668280182	Select
2	Feb. 12, 2024, 9:57 p.m.	Baseline	LR	0.18594542447369478	Select
3	Feb. 15, 2024, 7:17 p.m.	XGB	hypertuned	0.1808433026736426	Select
4	Feb. 12, 2024, 10:04 p.m.	New_Baseline_28.5	LR	0.15908193724817526	Select

### Merci!