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Language: Python

Data tidying:

- 1. Removed outliers of column GridLivArea which are greater than 4000 sq ft. They are not needed.
- 2. Changed values of some particular columns directly in test data so that they don't make problem while using in prediction.
- 3. Manually converting columns like ExterQual, ExterCond and many more to numerical data.
- 4. Converted categorical data as textual data into numerical data using LabelEncoder.
- 5. Changing NA values to numerical values.
- 6. Converted some columns like 2ndFlrSF, OpenPorchSF and many others to 0, 1 state before using one hot encoder.
- 7. Converted the all the values to normal distribution using skewness technique.
- 8. Then Scale the data using StandardScaler of Sklearns.
- 9. Converted Categorical numeric data to 0 and 1 forms so that models can understand those values better, using one hot encoder.
- 10. Dropped columns that are not in test data but exist in train data like _RoofMatl_Metal, _RoofMatl_Roll and many more.

Feature Engineering:

- Converted multiple new features so that models can recognized these better like OverallQual to SimplOverallQual. It means that converting huge categorical data to more simpler data.
- 2. LotShape to IsRegularLotShape based on the assumption that if it is regular then it is more meaningful that other shapes. Same pattern is followed by multiple columns like
 - a. LandSlope to IsLandSlope
 - b. Electrical to IsElectricalSBKr

Etc. Of course all above fields are to convert it to more binary form.

Models:

- 1. Used stacked regression technique in which I have used Lasso, Elastic and Kernel Ridge and Gradient Boosting. At the end I got the averages of them.
- 2. Also used XGBoost and LightGBM but later given very low weightage of them at the end.
- 3. Weightage technique is based on giving 75% weight to Average Stacked models and 12.5% and 12.5% to both XGBoost and LightGBM.

Training:

- 1. Training is based on average of 10 folds' cross validation.
- 2. Selected Lasso, Elastic and Kernel Ridge and Gradient Boosting for K-Folds training.