# Day 16 Ensemble Methods for Regression

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## 1 Ensemble Methods for Regression

In these exercises, use scikit-learn whenever possible!

```
import numpy as np

from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsRegressor
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.pipeline import make_pipeline
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
from sklearn.ensemble import StackingRegressor

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#### 1.1 Ames Housing Data

In the Day 15 notebook, you tried to find a single model for predicting SalePrice that resulted in your lowest test RMSE; the model is determined by its features, method (linear or kNN), value of k if applicable, etc.

Now you'll work with a partner to create an ensemble model.

Note: If you and your partner worked together to come up with the same model from Day 15, you'll need to find a partner with a different model!

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[3]: df_ames_train = df_ames.loc[:1465].copy()
     df_ames_test = df_ames.loc[1466:].copy()
     x_temp = df_ames_train[["Lot Area", "Pool Area", "Total Bsmt SF", "TotRms_
      →AbvGrd", "Garage Cars"]]
     X_train = x_temp.fillna(x_temp.mean())
     y_train = df_ames_train["SalePrice"]
     x2_temp = df_ames_test[["Lot Area", "Pool Area", "Total Bsmt SF", "TotRms_
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X\_test = x\_temp.fillna(x2\_temp.mean())

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[5]: linear_model = LinearRegression() linear_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
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- [5]: LinearRegression()
  - 1. Work with your partner to create an ensemble model from your two models using **voting**. Use cross-validation to see if the ensemble model is better than your individual models.

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[6]: # YOUR CODE HERE. ADD CELLS AS NEEDED

ensemble_model = VotingRegressor([
          ("linear", linear_model),
          ("knn", knn_model)],
          weights = [0.2, 0.8]
)
ensemble_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
ensemble_model.predict(X_test)
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[6]: array([198412.58865162, 130754.73068638, 155956.20086762, ..., 201072.44316882, 246105.24609227, 170764.2961691])
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2. Work with your partner to create an ensemble model from your two models using **stacking**. Use cross-validation to see if the ensemble model is better than your individual models.

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stacker = stacking_model.final_estimator_
stacker.intercept_, stacker.coef_
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[8]: (-8436.103699506813, array([0.1954818, 0.85714254]))

[9]: 39488.83080967234

3. In Discord, describe your model that resulted in your lowest MSE: features, method (linear or kNN), value of k if applicable, ensemble method etc. What was the test RMSE?

#### YOUR RESPONSE HERE.

Ensemble method resulted in a lower RMSE than the individual models. The ensemble method used was stacking. The base models were linear regression and kNN. The final estimator model was linear regression. The features used were the same as the ones used in the individual models. The test RMSE was 39488.

### 1.2 Restaurant Tips Data

The file tips.csv is an older data set containing information about dining parties at a restaurant, including the amount of the tips paid to the waiter. Our goal is to create a model for predicting the amount of the tip.

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	3	23.68	3.31	Male	No	Sun	Dinner	2
	4	24.59	3.61	Female	No	Sun	Dinner	4
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	239	29.03	5.92	Male	No	Sat	Dinner	3
	240	27.18	2.00	Female	Yes	Sat	Dinner	2
	241	22.67	2.00	Male	Yes	Sat	Dinner	2
	242	17.82	1.75	Male	No	Sat	Dinner	2
	243	18.78	3.00	Female	No	Thur	Dinner	2

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1. Use the data to determine a model for predicting the amount of the tip. In Discord, describe your model: features, method (linear or kNN), value of k if applicable, ensemble method etc. What was the test RMSE?

Note: this will be a good review exercise; can you implement all the relevant steps?

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[11]: # YOUR CODE HERE. ADD CELLS AS NEEDED
      df_tips_train = df_tips.loc[:122].copy()
      df_tips_test = df_tips.loc[122:].copy()
      X_train = df_tips_train[['total_bill', 'sex', 'smoker', 'day', 'time', 'size']]
      y_train = df_tips_train["tip"]
      X_test = df_tips_test[['total_bill', 'sex', 'smoker', 'day', 'time', 'size']]
[12]: from sklearn.compose import make_column_transformer
      from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
      # define the column transformer
      preprocessor = make_column_transformer(
          (StandardScaler(), ['total_bill', 'size']),
          (OneHotEncoder(handle_unknown="ignore"),
           ['sex', 'smoker', 'day', 'time'])
      )
      # define the KNN model
      knn_model = make_pipeline(
          preprocessor,
          KNeighborsRegressor(n neighbors=8, metric='manhattan')
      # define the linear regression model
      linear_model = make_pipeline(
          preprocessor,
          LinearRegression()
      # define the ensemble model
      stacking_model2 = StackingRegressor([
          ('knn', knn model),
          ('linear', linear_model)],
          final estimator=LinearRegression()
      )
      # fit the ensemble model
      stacking_model2.fit(X_train, y_train)
[12]: StackingRegressor(estimators=[('knn',
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      ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('standardscaler',
       StandardScaler(),
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      n_neighbors=8))])),
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       StandardScaler(),
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       OneHotEncoder(handle_unknown='ignore'),
       ['sex',
        'smoker',
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        'time'])])),
                                                      ('linearregression',
                                                      LinearRegression())]))],
                        final_estimator=LinearRegression())
[13]: stacking_model2.predict(X_test)
[13]: array([2.58034784, 2.7507063, 2.32116556, 4.23241935, 2.00173389,
             2.52442083, 2.21028135, 3.47885717, 3.05629035, 3.09452655,
             2.18911255, 2.29898872, 2.89659243, 1.92097438, 2.10443734,
             2.48950795, 2.71509574, 2.38971216, 2.81695741, 4.7660943,
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2.15802046, 1.76992574, 4.0156525, 2.26014895, 2.2958814, 1.8549577, 2.63549077, 2.38674611, 2.57989082, 1.96567378, 3.17906387, 2.36489502, 3.10429338, 3.49250566, 2.62081442, 2.19655264, 2.11187743, 2.55518752, 2.04131475, 2.25983232, 4.29132753, 4.58166943, 3.98986834, 3.61473263, 3.26987336, 2.80814967, 2.89750782])
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[14]: -cross_val_score(stacking_model2, X=X_train, y=y_train, cv=5, scoring="neg_root_mean_squared_error").mean()
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[14]: 0.9065902863098781

2. What is a rough benchmark for RMSE in this context? Is your model's RMSE a substantial improvement over this benchmark?

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[15]: df_tips["tip"].std()
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[15]: 1.3836381890011822

A rough benchmark for the RMSE in this context would be the standard deviation of the tips, since it gives the variability of the tips. Our model's RMSE is lower which means that its predictions are on averages closer to the actual values that if we were to use the mean of the tips.