

Project on Facebook Comment Volume Dataset

Python for data analysis

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Summary

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Goal: predict how many comments a post will receive

overview of the dirty dataset:

```
[4] path_file = "/content/sample_data/Features_Variant_1.csv"
    data = pd.read_csv(path_file)
    print(data.head(20))
                               806.0
                                     11.291044776119403
                                                              70.49513846124168
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```

First problem : columns are unnamed

Second major observation: there is no NaN or missing values:

but are all the 54 columns interesting?

To solution this issue we did:

- spot the columns with irrelevant values with a dedicated algorithm
- plot the correlation matrix to find and drop unnecessary columns
- -> 18 columns removed

issues encountered:

- the code used to drop every correlated column did not take account of the negative correlations
- one empty column was not detected by our algorithm
- some columns are correlated but still interesting (CC1 and CC4)

Selection of the output variable:

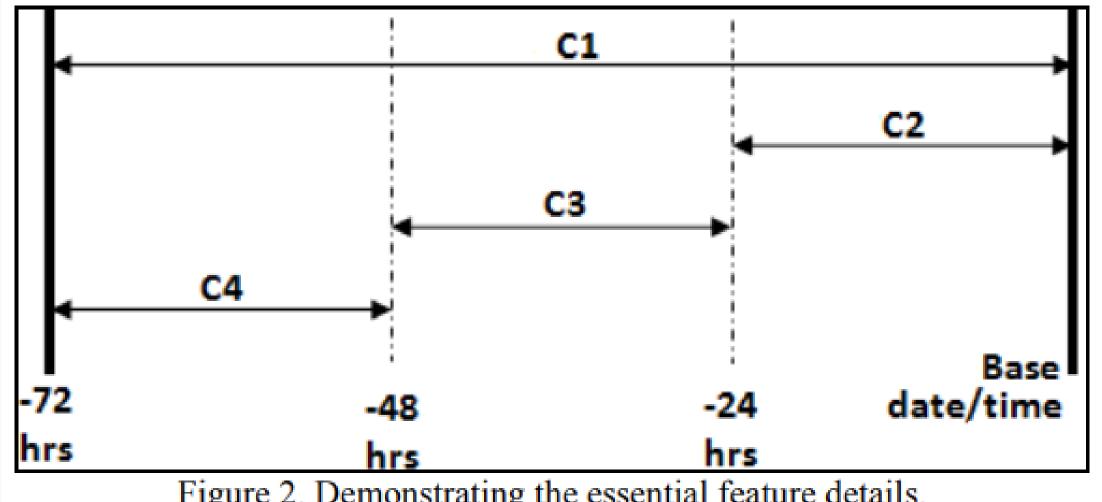


Figure 2. Demonstrating the essential feature details.

C1 was kept as the output feature

First observation: the dataset is divided in a test and a train part -> no need to make a pipeline

Results of the RandomForestRegressor without gridsearch:

```
Mean Squared Error: 780.8338210886157

Best Hyperparameters: {'max_depth': 20, 'n_estimators': 200}

R-squared: 0.9583827595059602
```

Now with gridsearch:

```
mse_best = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_best)
print(f"Mean Squared Error with Best Hyperparameters: {mse_best}")
r2_best = r2_score(y_test, y_pred_best)
print(f"R-squared: {r2_best}")

Mean Squared Error with Best Hyperparameters: 810.5752086252447
R-squared: 0.9567975893400308
```

Creation of a model

Issue: the results obtaines without gridsearch are better

Lets try Gradient Boosting Regressor

```
grid_search_gb = GridSearchCV(GradientBoostingRegressor(random_state=42), param_grid_gb, cv=5)
grid_search_gb.fit(X_train, y_train)

best_params_gb = grid_search_gb.best_params_
print(f"Best Hyperparameters (Gradient Boosting): {best_params_gb}")
r2_grad = r2_score(y_test, y_pred_gb)
print(f"R-squared: {r2_grad}")

Mean Squared Error (Gradient Boosting): 4878.267072022061
Best Hyperparameters (Gradient Boosting): {'learning_rate': 0.1, 'max_depth': 5, 'n_estimators': 50}
R-squared: 0.7399958756301656
```

We notice that we have pretty high MSE and a r2 closed to one. We may have only a few predictions failed, but that they are failed by a lot.

Creation of a model

Bonus work predict CC2 in function of CC3 and CC4, let's try with random forest:

```
Mean Squared Error: 93.5792291889962

Best Hyperparameters: {'max_depth': 10, 'n_estimators': 50}

R-squared: 0.9842674800986632
```

Using gridsearch the MSE and R2 obtained are more than acceptable

Issue encountered: we tried to use a RandomForestClassifier to improve our model but the dataset is too big to be trained with this method

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For our first model predicting cc1 in function of all the data available, we selected the **initial RandomForestRegressor**, giving us the following accuracy:

```
Mean Squared Error: 780.8338210886157

Best Hyperparameters: {'max_depth': 20, 'n_estimators': 200}

R-squared: 0.9583827595059602
```

For the bonus work predicting the number of comment obtained a day, just by looking at the number of comments the 2 days before we selected a **gridsearch optimized RandomForestRegressor** with the following accuracy:

```
Mean Squared Error: 93.5792291889962
Best Hyperparameters: {'max_depth': 10, 'n_estimators': 50}
R-squared: 0.9842674800986632
```

For both programs the results are very satisfying

Conclusion