CMPE 257 - Project

Herbarium and Store sales forecasting using Time Series

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Herbarium: Identify novel plant species

About Data

- Number of images: 1.05 M
- Number of classes: 15501
- Data size :160 GB (train)

Challenges involved

- Cannot load data on to Kaggle RAM
- Requires high processing GPU (Kaggle provides only 36hrs).
- Classification models cannot be developed due to high dimensional target (15k+ classes).
- Data Augmentation is not possible as it requires 2X space (160GB+160GB)
- Neural network output layer becomes sparse due to high number of target variables
- Alternate approach takes 9 hrs to run each time
 - Faiss + ResNET

Transfer learning with ResNet+faiss

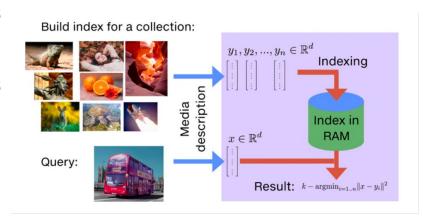
- Removed last layer or ResNet and used it to generate embeddings of image each image of dimension 512.
- Similarly for all the images belonging to 15k+ classes, we have composed image embeddings for 839772 training samples.
- We fed all the image embeddings to faiss (Facebook Al Similarity Search) model to create indexes (Paper)
- The index file stores information of all the image vectors with their corresponding image ids.

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print("Shape of image embedding", vec.shape)
    print(vec[0:10])
    plt.imshow(img)
 Shape of image embedding (512,)
  [0.48710352 0.3259773 0.8979322 0.28265658 0.3696866 0.3621263
   2.0340765 1.2006575 0.949871 0.11798392]
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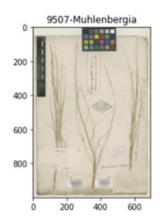
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Image classification using Faiss

- Faiss clusters images embedding to P possible clusters.
- When ever we want find similar images for a given image, the module checks target image embeddings distance with the centroid of each clusters.
- The cluster centroid with minimum distance with target image is selected.
- Now, distance between the target image and images in that cluster are composed.
- The closes image ids are returned by the model.
- Runtime complexity comes down from O(N) => O(P)



Sample predictions



- As we are using non-annotated data, the cluster based classification model uses the non important features on images as well.
- The first two predictions seem right, but the remaining three have high cosine similarity due to the color block (a non important feature)











Sales Forecasting

- Motivation current market is all about predicting real time growth for the business
- Objective Forecast store sales using time-series on data from a large Ecuadorian-based grocery retailer
- Evaluation Submission evaluated based on RMSLE (Root Mean Squared Logarithmic Error)



Data sources, cleansing, validation, transformation, visualization.

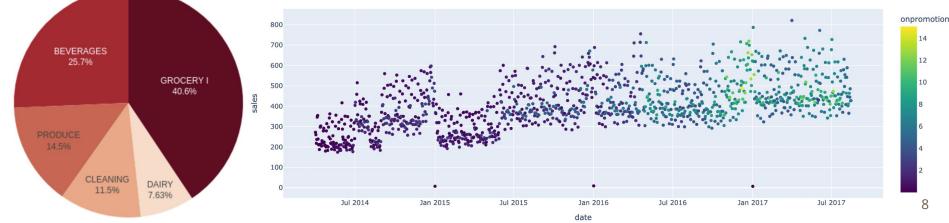
Dataset

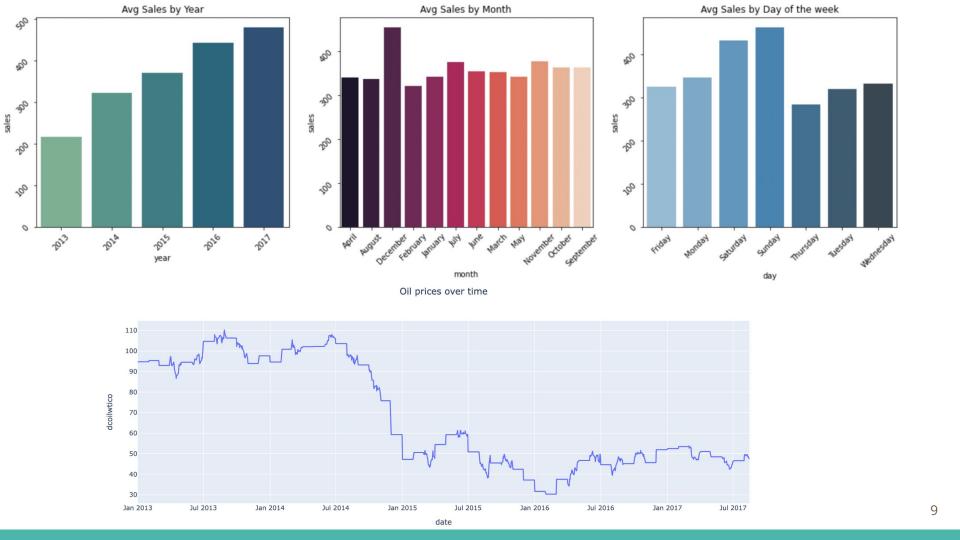
- Six files that contains information about
 - Holidays and events
 - Transactions
 - Stores
 - Oil prices over time
 - Train
 - Test
- Explored each of the dataset in deep to study the hidden patterns
- Examined the combination of each dataset with the other dataset to get more information on the data provided
- The data collected is from 2013-01-01 to 2017-08-31(combining both train and test)

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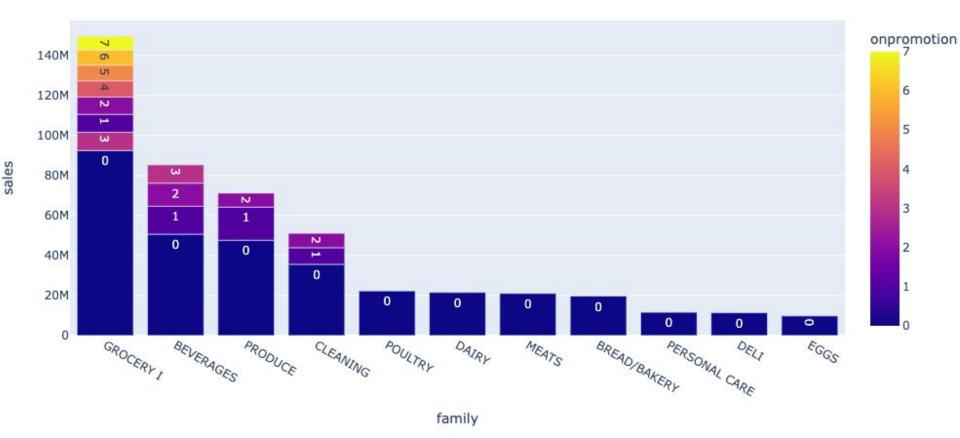




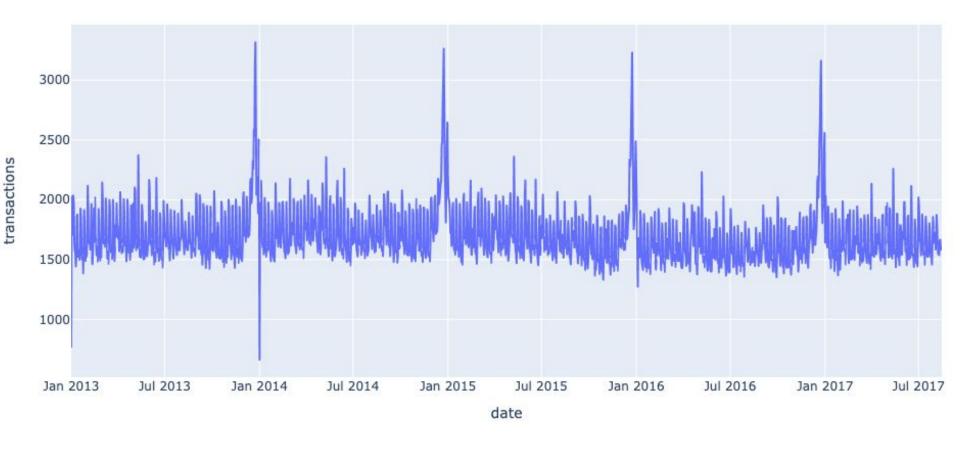




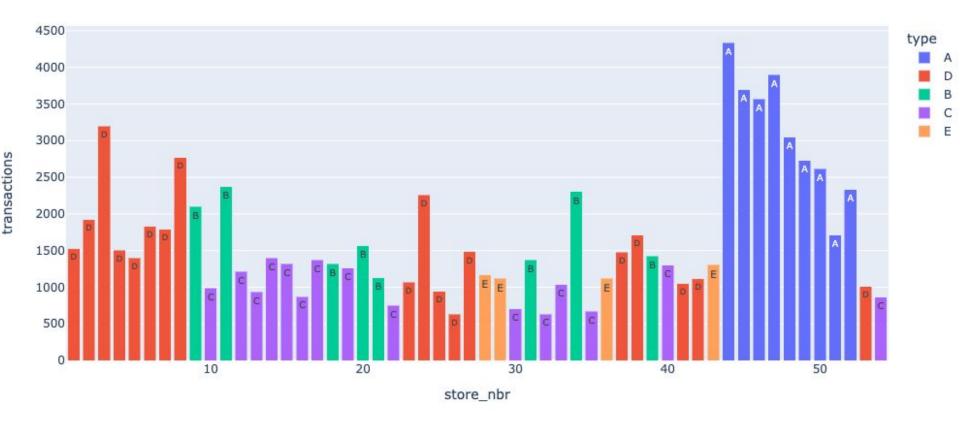
Total number of items sold in each family of products



Average transactions over time



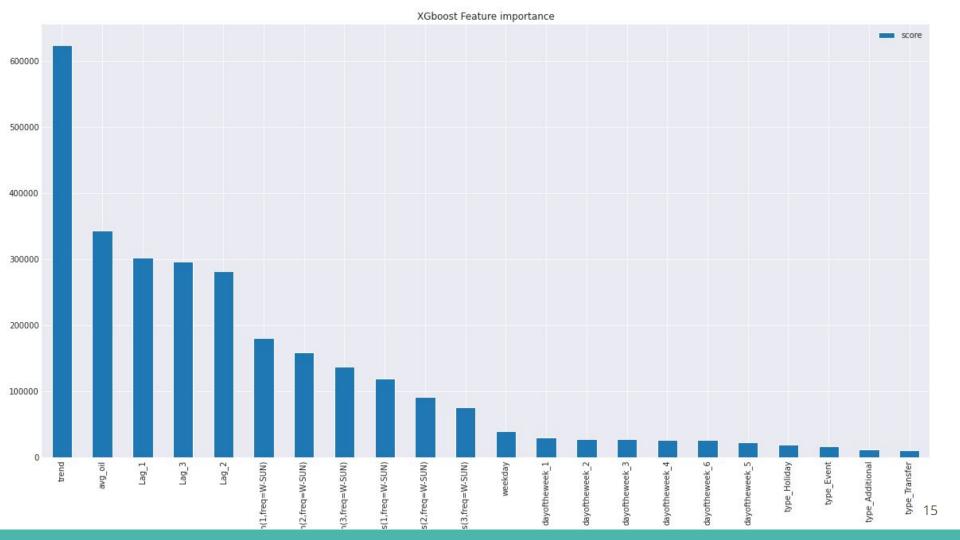
Total number of transactions for each store

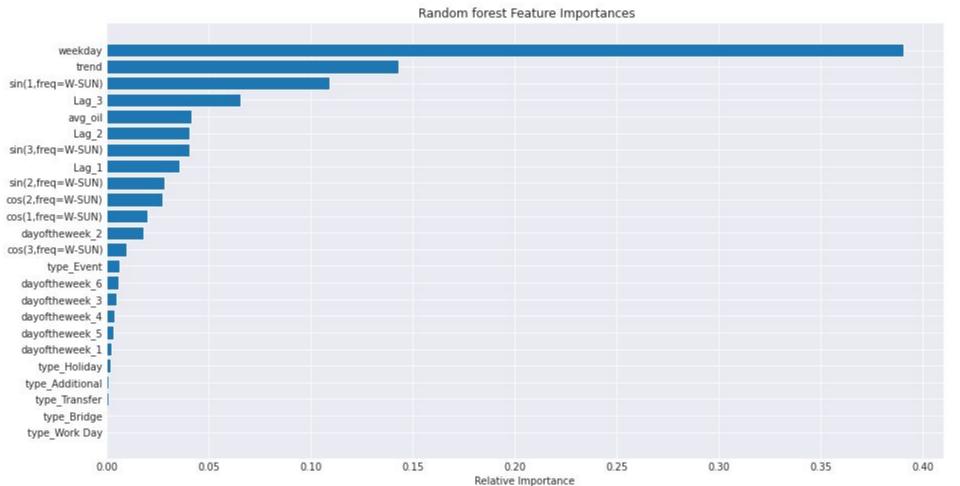


Modeling

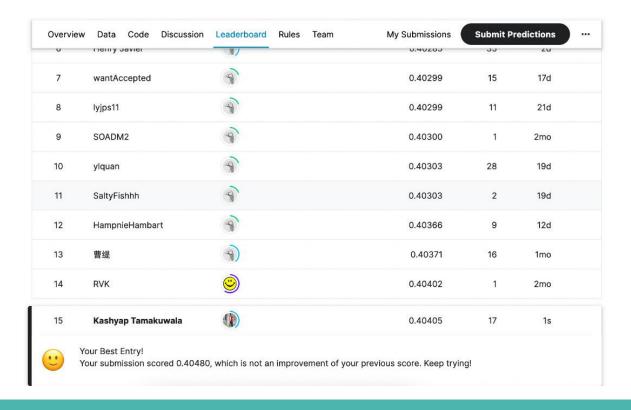
- Regression techniques
 - Linear Regression
 - Ridge
 - Lasso
 - Random Forest
 - SVR
 - XGboost
- To consider time dependency
 - ARIMA
 - SARIMA
- Blending and Custom Regressor (0.40408)
 - Used Linear model as base model
 - Built a custom regressor with Random Forest, Extra Tree Regressor, Ridge regression and svr.

Code demo





Kaggle Leaderboard



Total Participants: 900

Our team is in top: 2 %

App demo