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STA141 Assignment4 Code

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load(url("http://eeyore.ucdavis.edu/stat141/Data/vehicles.rda"))
## Problem 1
# First I will introduce some functions I use to help me extract the pattern by gregexpr,
# combine the regular expressions in multiple patterns, and give me the summary statistics
# of the matched values.
extract from data <- function(pattern, original string = vposts$body) {
 # This function operates by first using gregexpr to extract the pattern I desire,
 # and then calling extract from gregexpr to process the gregexpr result.
 grepexpr index <- gregexpr(pattern, original string, perl = T)
 # make it invisible to the console
 invisible(extract from gregexpr(grepexpr_index, original_string))
extract from gregexpr <- function(grepexpr index, original string = vposts$body) {
 # This function deals with the gregexpr result and extract the string implied by the
 # starting index and the match.length attribute. I use the Map function to iterate
 # the indices and the original string simultaneously, and at each row, extract the
 # relevant information.
 Map(function(x, y))
  # how many matches in total
  N \leq -length(x)
  result <- sapply(1:N, function(i) {
   # extract the string of each match
   result each \leq- substr(y, x[i], x[i] - 1 + attr(x, 'match.length')[i])
   # if none is matched, set " to NA
   ifelse(result_each == ", NA, result_each)
 }, grepexpr_index, original_string)
stat for total num <- function(body) {
 # This function calculates the statistics to remind me how many is matched.
 # extract the Non-NA number and print it out
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result <- sum(!is.na(body))
 cat('\n')
 cat(sprintf("The number of matching is %g", result))
 cat('\n')
 invisible(result)
paste re \leq- function(x, y) {
 # This function combines different patterns, which is the main function renders to
 # Reduce to perform concatenation.
 paste(x, y, sep = |||)
# Before the formal regular expression matching, I would like to talk about how my matching
# process is organized. The first step is to combine different matching patterns by calling
# 'paste re' and 'Reduce'. Then, I will use the 'extract from data' function to extract
# pattern from string, usually `vposts$body` by default, but there are other cases. Since
# there may be multiple matching for each row, I will then select a single one by some
# algorithm. At last, I will show how many is matched using this pattern by
# 'stat for total num'
### (a)
# Here I observe two patterns, one is for example, $6000 or 6000$, another is $6,000 or
#6,000$. The first pattern is very easy, and to capture the second pattern, I use
# (?:pattern) to group digits and the corresponding ','.
price pattern <-c('')[^0-9]{0,4}(?:[0-9]+[,])*[0-9]*', '(?:[0-9]+[,])*[0-9]*\}[^0-9]{0,4}')
# extract relevant pattern strings
price from body <- extract from data(Reduce(paste re, price pattern))
# The first step is to remove $ symbol, and the second step is to remove ',' symbol if
# possible, and the last step is for multiple prices, return the largest one.
price from body single <- sapply(price from body, function(x) {
 N \leq -length(x)
 price total <- sapply(1:N, function(i) {</pre>
  # remove $
  price \leq- gsub('[^0-9]*([0-9,]+).*', '\\1', x[i])
  # remove,
  price <- gsub('[,]', ", price)</pre>
  # sometimes the price and the year is concatenated together, so I remove them
  price <- ifelse(nchar(price) > 8, substr(price, 1, nchar(price) - 4), price)
 })
 # return the max price
 max(as.numeric(price total))
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})
# show how many is matched successfully.
stat for total num(price from body single)
# show how many is consistent with the price column
sum(price from body single == vposts\price, na.rm = T)
# show some results I get
head(price from body single, n = 10)
### (b)
# According to the VIN standard, VIN has 17 characters, where there is no latter I, O, Q.
# In addition, the last six letters must be digits, so my regular expression is written
# as follows:
VIN pattern <- c('(?![0-9]\{17\})[0-9A-HJ-NPR-Z]\{13\}[0-9]\{4\}')
# There is only one pattern, so I will not use Reduce function.
VIN from body <- extract from_data(VIN_pattern)
# Here I will select the VIN if there are multiple results, since the VIN usually comes
# at first position of the body text.
VIN from body single <- sapply(VIN from body, \[ \cdot\], 1)
# show how many is matched successfully.
stat for total num(VIN from body single)
# add to vposts
vposts$VIN <- VIN from body single
# show some results I get
head(VIN from body single, n = 10)
### (c)
# At first it may seem very easy to extract the pattern of price. But in the last line,
# there is '(916) 715-31 SEVEN ZERO'. It will not the extracted by the normal expression
# only focusing on the digits. So at first I write a function to transform natural
# language to digits.
# This is the vector that combines the natural language digits
nums <- c('zero', 'one', 'two', 'three', 'four', 'five', 'six', 'seven', 'eight', 'nine')
num to digit <- function(text) {
 # This is the function that transform natural language to digits. Note here my pattern
 # is paste0('[-]?', (nums[i]), '[-]?'), since when there is natural languages, people
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tend to separate them by space or hyphens. For example, (916) 715-31 SEVEN ZERO. This # pattern will remove the unnecessary spaces or hyphens after transforming to digits.

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for (i in seq along(nums)) {
  text \le gsub(paste0('[-]?', (nums[i]), '[-]?'), i - 1, text, ignore.case = T)
 # return value
 text
# call the function above, to return the new texts for body particular for phones.
body modified for phone <- sapply(vposts$body, num to digit)
# Now the string '(916) 715-31 SEVEN ZERO' can be transformed to:
num to digit('(916) 715-31 SEVEN ZERO')
# Ok, it is fine now.
# The pattern for phone number
# there are three parts for a phone number, each part inside cannot be separated, and
# between each part, there can be at most one space [] or hyphen [-]. Also, the first
# part can be surrounded by parenthesis ().
phone pattern <- c('\setminus(?[0-9]{3}\setminus)?[.-]*[0-9]{3}[.-]*[0-9]{4}')
# extrac the phone numbers from body modified for phone
phone from body <- extract from data(phone pattern, body_modified_for_phone)
# get the first phone number if there is multiple
phone from body single <- sapply(phone from body, \(\circ\), 1)
# show how many is matched successfully
stat for total num(phone from_body_single)
# add to vposts
vposts$phone <- phone from body single
# show some results I get
head(phone from body single, n = 10)
###(d)
# The email address always have @ symbol and xxx.xxx.com/net/org pattern. The thing should
# be kept in mind is the subdomain, so I use (?:) to group characters and dot, and let
# them emerge together. Also, keep com|org|net from emerging in the subdomain, since
# they should only come into being in top domain name.
email pattern <- c('[[:alnum:]]+@(?:(?!com|org|net)[[:alnum:]]+[.])+(?:com|org|net)')
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email from body <- extract from data(Reduce(paste re, email pattern))
# Here I will select the email if there are multiple results, since most of them are
# identical.
email from body single <- sapply(email from body, \(\circ\), 1)
# show how many is matched successfully
stat for total num(email from body single)
# add to vposts
vposts$email <- email from body single
# show some results I get
email from body single[which(!is.na(email from body single))]
### (e)
# year pattern, including 19xx, 200x, 201x, 9x, 0x
year pattern <- c('19[5-9][0-9]', '20[0-1][0-9]', '[09][0-9]')
# extract year by year pattern
year from description <- extract from data(Reduce(paste re, year pattern), vposts$description)
# If there are multiple results, select the first one. Also, if there is 9x, 0x pattern,
# convert them to 199x, 200x.
year from description single <- sapply(year from description, function(x) {
 result <- x[1]
 if (nchar(result) == 2 && !is.na(result)) {
  x first digit <- substr(result, 1, 1)
  if (x first digit == 0) {
   result <- paste0('20', result)
  } else {
   result <- paste0('19', result)
 result
})
# show how many is matched successfully.
stat for total num(year from description single)
# how many is wrong
sum(vposts\( year != year from description single, na.rm = T)
# show some results I get
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head(year from description single, n = 10)
### (f)
# Here I extract model name from two string texts, one is vposts$header, another is
#vposts$description. Most of the model names come at the second word after time. Sometimes
# there is no such string in vposts$header, so I will try to serach it in
# vposts$description.
# extract the maker name
vposts maker names <- unique(vposts$maker)</pre>
vposts maker names <- vposts maker names[!is.na(vposts maker names)]
time identifier model <- function(x) {
 # This is the function that implements the first algorithm, time identifier. Using the
 # splitted result, it will first match the time pattern, after that, get the model index,
 # then get the model
 # match the time pattern
 x time index <- which(sapply('[0-9]{4}', grepl, x))
 # get the model index
 x model index \leq- x time index + 2
 # get the model
 x \mod < -x[x \mod index]
 # set unmatch to NA
 if (length(x model) == 0) {
  x model <- NA
 # return the result
 x model
vposts split <- function(string) {
 # This function split the string by identifier not digits, alphabets or hyphens. Most
 # of the time, the split one will be space, and there are some situations that, will
 # be the separate tag. Here I preserve -, since there are many vehicles that has the
 # model name of '3-Series'
 string elements <- unlist(strsplit(string, "[^0-9a-zA-Z-]", perl = T))
 string elements <- string elements [string elements != "]
model extract <- function(string) {
 # This function first does some preparation, namely the split job, then render it to
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# time identifier and maker identifier. It connects different small jobs into a whole
 # process.
 unlist(lapply(string, function(x) {
  # split the string
  x elements <- vposts split(x)
  # the first algorithm, using the time identifier
  x model <- time identifier model(x elements)[1]
 }))
model extract total <- function() {
 # This function calculates the model extracted from header and description, and then
 # will use the result from header by default, and only use the result from description
 # if the result from header is NA.
 model from header <- model extract(vposts$header)
 model from description <- model extract(vposts$description)
 Map(function(x, y))
  ifelse(!is.na(x), x, y)
 }, model from header, model from description)
model from header description <- unlist(model extract total())
# convert to lower case, being case insensitive
model from header description <- tolower(model from header description)
# show some results I get
head(model_from header description, n = 10)
# *Correct the typos in model name*
# The algorithm is a little complicated, so I will explain the basic idea. First,
#I will create a dataframe of maker to model, and then classify the data based the
# maker. After that, for each maker, I will split the model by its frequency. If the
# frequency is higher than a threshold (which is a parameter, confidence threshold),
# then it will be normal names, otherwise, I think it is mistyped. The mistyped names
# will then calculate the distance with the normal names, see if it is close enough to
\# anyone of the normal names. Note here that the inclusion of partial = T when calculating
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adist will give us also the result of abbreviations. The distance threshold is 1, so if # it is small than 1, the mistyped names will be substitute by the normal name, and if # there is a tie, it will be substituted by the most frequent normal name. Also, if none of # the distance is smaller than 1, then I also think it is not mistyped. At last, for each

mistyped names, I will create a rule controlling how it should be modified, which is the # result of this function.

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x lower names transform <- function(x lower names, x higher names, x adist, x table) {
 # This function change the mistyped names to normal names, by the adist matrix.
 # The distance threshold is 1, so the distance is small than 1, the mistyped names will
 # be substitute by the normal name, and if there is a tie, it will be substituted by
 # the most frequent normal name. Also, if none of the distance is smaller than 1,
 # then I also think it is not mistyped.
 sapply(1:length(x lower names), function(i) {
  # initialized the result
  result <- x lower names[i]
  # calculate the nearest distance
  name adist \langle -x \text{ adist}[i, ]
  name adist min <- min(name adist)
  # if the distance is one, set the name to it
  if (name adist min == 1) {
   name adist min index <- which(name adist == name adist min)
   name adist min index names <- x higher names [name adist min index]
   if (length(name adist min index names) = 1) {
    result <- name adist min index names
   } else {
     # in case of tie, select the one with the most frequency
     compare table <- x table [name adist min index names]
     result <- names(which.max(compare table))
  # return value
  result
 })
x change chain rule <- function(x lower names, x lower names transformed) {
 # create the change rule, and only return the one that is really changed under
 # my algorithm, others will leave them unchanged, meaning the rule is NULL.
 # Here I find the Map function is most convenient.
 Map(function(x, y) {
  if (x != y) {
   y
 }, x_lower_names, x_lower_names_transformed)
modify typo model maker <- function(x, confidence threshold) {
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# This function operates on the abstract level of each maker, calculateing each level's
 # lowest names, for each maker, and also convert the corresponding level to the nearest
 \# model. It first does some preparation, and then call x lower names transform function
 # to return the modify model values, and at last, call the x change chain rule function
 # to create the change chain.
 # Some maker only has one model, so at that case there is nothing to do
 if (length(x) > 1) {
  # calculate lowest names, higher names, table for future calculation
  x table \leq- table(x)
  x table names <- names(x table)
  x lower names <- x table names[x table <= confidence threshold]
  x higher names <- x table names [x table > confidence threshold]
  # calculate the adist matrix
  # It should be noted here that, using the option partial = T will also caputre
  # abbreviation cases.
  x adist \leq- adist(x lower names, x higher names, partial = T)
  # I must ensure there is both the mistyped models and normal models
  if (length(x a dist) != 0) {
   # modify the model name, if the adist value is 1. if tie, choose the one with the
   # most frequency. If no adist value is 1 related to that name, keep it unchanged
   x lower names transformed <- x lower names transform(x lower names,
x higher names,
                                    x adist, x table)
   # create the change rule
   x change chain <- x change chain rule(x lower names, x_lower_names_transformed)
   # return the change rule
   x change chain
modify typo model <- function(model from header, confidence threshold) {
 # This function is the main function to implement the correct typos. It first calculates
 # the dataframe and the splitted dataframe by maker, then supplies these results to
 # modify typo model maker function. It connects different parts of the correcting job,
 # and return the value I really want.
 # preparation
 # combine the data into a daraframe
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maker model data <- data.frame(maker = vposts$maker, model = model from header,
                    stringsAsFactors = F)
 # split by the maker
 maker model data split <- split(maker model data$model, maker model data$maker)
 # Now comes to the main part. It operates on the abstract level of each maker.
 # It calculate each level's lowest names, for each maker, and also convert to the
 # nearest model
 lapply(maker model data split, modify typo model maker, confidence threshold)
# call the modify function to modify the model name
model modify rule <- modify typo model(model from header description, 3)
# show the rule, with maker toyota, here if the value under a model is null, there is no
# modification to it, if there is some value under a model, this is the one should be
# modified to.
unlist(model modify rule['toyota'])
model final <- unlist(lapply(1:length(vposts$header), function(i) {
 # present the values of maker, model, and modified model
 maker <- vposts$maker[i]</pre>
 model <- model from header description[i]
 modified model <- model modify rule[[maker]][[model]]
 # if it is not null, then there should be a rule to change it
 if (!is.null(modified model)) model <- modified model</pre>
 # return result
 model
}))
# add the model to the vposts dataframe
vposts$model <- model final
# show some results
head(model final, n = 10)
## Question two
# First I sort the table, and see which model is the most:
invisible(sort(table(model final)))
# For the top five models, I want to see which maker they belong to:
top five models names <- names(table(model final))[
 order(table(model final), decreasing = T)[1:5]]
# check if the model belong to the same maker
sapply(top five models names, function(x) {
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x index \leq- which (model final == x)
 unique(vposts\maker[x index])
})
# I will pick the top two combination honda-civic, toyota-camry.
# select civic indices and camry indices:
select indices <- function(model) {</pre>
 # this is the function that can return the indices related to this model
 name index <- which(model final == model)
}
get model data <- function(model, intereste cols flag = TRUE) {
 # this funciton first calls select indices, then use the indices to select rows
 # from vposts
 indices <- select indices(model)
 # get the dataframe for price, age, odometer and condition
 model data <- vposts[indices, ]
 model data$age <- 2015 - model data$year
 if (intereste cols flag) {
  model data <- model data[c('price', 'odometer', 'condition', 'age')]
 } else {
  model data <- model data[c('price', 'odometer', 'condition', 'age', 'city')]
 # get complete data without NA
 model data <- model data[complete.cases(model data),]
 # since there is a factor condition, if the frequency is so low, it will not perform
 # cross-validation. So I remove such levels, with frequency less than 5.
 model data\( \)condition \( < \)- factor(model data\( \)condition)
 model data cond table <- table(model data$condition)
 model data cond names high <- names(model data cond table)[model data cond table > 5]
 model data <- subset(model data, condition %in% model data cond names high)
 # return
 model data
# My Approach
# Before All, I will first draw a map that prints different values of price, odometer, age
# and condition.
# The basic idea of my implementation in this question is, first I will choose which model
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# to select. Since there are multiple models, I will only try some of them, including
# linear regression (lm), knn, regression tree (tree). The selection method is to use the
# package of caret to do cross validation on each of them, and see which one has the
# lowest RMSE. After we have already got one model in hand, we still need to select
# the parameters. For example, knn has the k parameter indicating how many nearest points
# should be used to predict the point we are interested. So I will again use cross
# validation to select the parameter, and at last, get the final model.
# Note that the assumpttions here:
# lm: The error terms are normally distributed around 0 with the same standard deviation,
# identically independent distributed (i.i.d.).
# knn and regression tree: They are non-parametric methods, so there is no assumption about
# them
# load caret package
library('caret')
# Part I, Model of civic
# get the data
civic data total <- get model data('civic', FALSE)
civic data <- get model data('civic')
# show the data
head(civic data, n = 10)
# Step 0, draw the boxplot of city vs price.
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(civic data total, aes(city, price)) +
 geom boxplot() +
 ggtitle("price vs city plot for model civic")
# The result indicates that, city has an effect on the price of vehicles. While vehicles
# in lasvegas and sac have high price, the vehicles in boston, chicago, denver, nyc and
# sfbay have low price.
# Step I, find which model is the best
# Before I really do the regression, I will first set the cross validation parameter.
# The parameters I choose is 5-fold cross validation, repeating 3 times.
set.seed(1234)
fitControl <- trainControl(method = 'cv', number = 5, repeats = 3)
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# The lm approach
civic fit lm <- train(price ~ ., data = civic data, method = 'lm',
              trControl = fitControl)
civic fit lm
# It is easily seen that the lm fit result is RMSE: 2427.636
# The knn approach
civic fit knn <- train(price ~ ., data = civic data, method = 'knn',
              trControl = fitControl, tuneGrid = expand.grid(k = 5:20)
civic fit knn
plot(civic fit knn, main = 'plot for knn under model of civic')
# The best model for knn is k = 15, with RMSE: 3042.217
# The regression tree (tree) approach
civic fit tree <- train(price ~ ., data = civic data, method = 'rpart2',
               trControl = fitControl, tuneGrid = expand.grid(maxdepth = 1:8))
civic fit tree
plot(civic fit tree, main = 'plot for regression tree under model of civic')
# The best model for regression tree is k = 4, with RMSE: 1931.201
# Now we have the best model, which is regression tree, so I will dig deeply in regression
# tree
# Step II, find the best regression tree model
library(tree)
# regression tree details
civic fit tree <- tree(price ~ ., data = civic data)
civic fit tree
# plot the result
plot(civic fit tree)
text(civic fit tree, pretty = 0)
# use cross validation to confirm the best tree depth
civic fit tree cv <- cv.tree(civic fit tree)
civic fit tree cv
# plot the result, the relationship between nodes and deviation
plot(civic fit tree cv\size, civic fit tree cv\sdev, type="b", xlab = 'size',
   ylab = 'deviation', main = 'deviation vs terminal node size plot')
# It seems size 5 is the best option
civic fit tree prune <- prune.tree(civic fit tree, best = 5)
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civic fit tree prune
# plot the best result
plot(civic fit tree prune)
text(civic fit tree, pretty = 0)
# Now let's do a prediction, the data I use is the first observation:
civic data[1,]
# let's use tree model to predict
civic prediction one <- predict(civic fit tree prune, civic data[1,])
civic prediction one
# It is very close!
# Step III, Analyze the result
# Let's look back the regression tree here:
civic fit tree prune
# It is seen that, only age is valid in determining price, which means price has little
# relationship with odometer and condition. It may seem unreasonable at first, but consider
# this: A vehicle with higher age usually comes with high odometer and poor condition.
# In other words, age is related with odometer and condition. So it is not wired that
# price only relates with age.
# Part II, Model of camry
# get the data
camry data total <- get model data('camry', FALSE)
camry data <- get model data('camry')
# show the data
head(camry data, n = 10)
# Step 0, draw the boxplot of city vs price.
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(camry data total, aes(city, price)) +
 geom boxplot() +
 ggtitle("price vs city plot for model camry")
# The result indicates that, city has almost no effect on price. The mean is almost
# identical, and the only difference relates to the standard deviation, namely the
# fluctuation of the price. The variance is high in city of boston, lasvegas and sac.
# Step I, find which model is the best
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# As in part I, I will first set the cross validation parameter.
# The parameters I choose is also 5-fold cross validation, repeating 3 times.
set.seed(1234)
fitControl <- trainControl(method = 'cv', number = 5, repeats = 3)
# The lm approach
camry fit lm < -train(price \sim .., data = camry data, method = 'lm',
              trControl = fitControl)
camry fit lm
# It is easily seen that the lm fit result is RMSE: 2597.181
# The knn approach
camry fit knn <- train(price ~ ., data = camry data, method = 'knn',
              trControl = fitControl, tuneGrid = expand.grid(k = 5:20)
camry fit knn
plot(camry fit knn, main = 'plot for knn under model of camry')
# The best model for knn is k = 10, with RMSE: 3227.618
# The regression tree (tree) approach
camry fit tree <- train(price ~ ., data = camry data, method = 'rpart2',
               trControl = fitControl, tuneGrid = expand.grid(maxdepth = 1:8))
camry fit tree
plot(camry fit tree, main = 'plot for regression tree under model of camry')
# The best model for regression tree is k = 5, with RMSE: 2215.835
# Although knn is better than tree model, I will still use tree model, since it is more
# reasonable than a knn model with high k and easier to interpret.
# Step II, find the best regression tree model
library(tree)
# regression tree details
camry fit tree <- tree(price \sim ., data = camry data)
camry fit tree
# plot the result
plot(camry fit tree)
text(camry_fit_tree, pretty = 0)
# use cross validation to confirm the best tree depth
camry fit tree cv <- cv.tree(camry fit tree)
camry fit tree cv
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# plot the result, the relationship between nodes and deviation
plot(camry fit tree cv\size, camry fit tree cv\set dev, type="b", xlab = 'size',
   ylab = 'deviation', main = 'deviation vs terminal node size plot')
# It seems size 5 is the best option
camry fit tree prune <- prune.tree(camry fit tree, best = 5)
camry fit tree prune
# plot the best result
plot(camry fit tree prune)
text(camry fit tree, pretty = 0)
# Now let's do a prediction, the data I use is the first observation:
camry data[1,]
# let's use tree model to predict
camry prediction one <- predict(camry fit tree prune, camry data[1,])
camry prediction one
# It is very close, again!
# Step III, Analyze the result
# Let's look back the regression tree here:
camry fit tree prune
# It is quite like the situation of civic, so I will copy my previous analysis here:
# It is seen that, only age is valid in determining price, which means price has little
# relationship with odometer and condition. It may seem unreasonable at first, but consider
# this: A vehicle with higher age usually comes with high odometer and poor condition.
# In other words, age is related with odometer and condition. So it is not wired that
# price only relates with age.
# Conclusion
# To conclude, I will use my regression model, since I think the result is good, and
# it is reasonable, and can give me some guide.
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