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Where you can find you future car...



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The Dataset





New Notebook





(TMB)

100,000 UK Used Car Data set

100,000 scraped used car listings, cleaned and split into car make.

Data Card Code (296) Discussion (14)

About Dataset

If you download/use the data set I'd appreciate an up vote, cheers.

Updated

Scraped data of used cars listings. 100,000 listings, which have been separated into files corresponding to each car manufacturer. I collected the data to make a tool to predict how much my friend should sell his old car for compared to other stuff on the market, and then just extended the data set. Then made a more general car value repression model.

previous version

Picked two fairly common cars on the British market for analysis (Ford Focus and Mercedes C Class). The hope is to find info such as: when is the ideal time to sell certain cars (i.e. at what age and mileage are there significant drops in resale value). Also can make comparisons between the two, and make a classifier for a ford or Mercedes car. Can easily add more makes and models, so comment for any request e.g. if you want a big data set of all Mercedes makes and models.

Content

The cleaned data set contains information of price, transmission, mileage, fuel type, road tax, miles per gallon (mpg), and engine size. I've removed duplicate listings and cleaned the columns, but have included a notebook showing the process and the original data for anyone who wants to check/improve my work.

nspiration

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Expected update frequency

Quarterry

rags

Automobiles and Vehicles

This dataset consists of prices and other related information on a 100000 cars from the UK. Since this dataset is from the UK most of the brands are from there.



I had to join and clean them to properly format to one df

	model	year	price	transmission	mileage	fuelType	tax	mpg	engineSize	brand
0	A1	2017	12500	Manual	15735	Petrol	150	55.4	1.4	audi
1	A6	2016	16500	Automatic	36203	Diesel	20	64.2	2.0	audi
2	A1	2016	11000	Manual	29946	Petrol	30	55.4	1.4	audi
3	A4	2017	16800	Automatic	25952	Diesel	145	67.3	2.0	audi
4	А3	2019	17300	Manual	1998	Petrol	145	49.6	1.0	audi





The application I built has the following key features.

Users can:

- browse a catalogue of cars available for resale
- add their desired cars to a wishlist
- get a rough estimate of how much a car with their desired features would cost
- get 3 recommended cars based on their input on desired features
- view and delete their prediction history
- view and delete items from wishlist
- sign up or login to save their progress
- · view and modify their profile

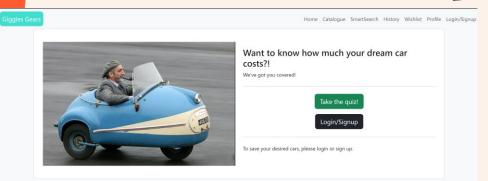


https://giggles-gears.onrender.com/



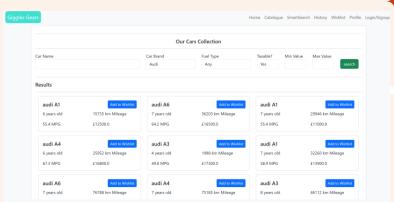
Some pictures

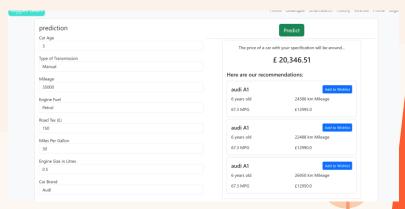






Your Wishlist							
Car Name	Age	Brand	Price	Added On	Remove?		
A1	7	audi	11000.0	2023-12-03 13:20:13.257672	Remove		
A1	6	audi	12995.0	2023-12-03 13:22:36.983410	Remove		

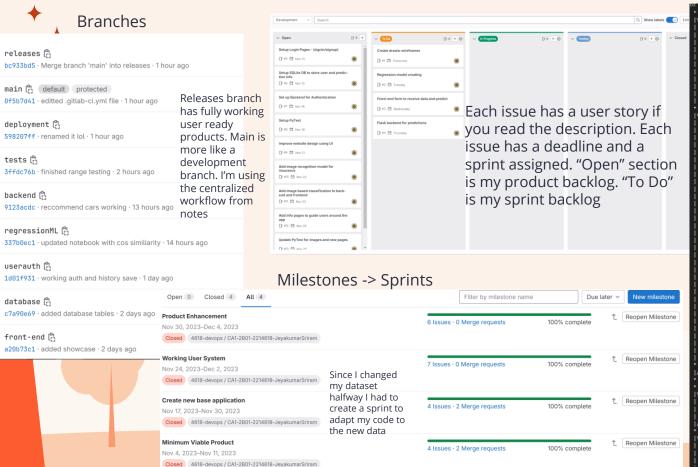






Git & Scrum

Issue List -> Scrum Board



Git Commits

```
bc933bd (tag: v3.0, origin/releases, releases) Merge branch 'main' into releases
* 0f5b7d4 (HEAD -> main, origin/main, origin/HEAD) editted .gitlab-ci.yml file
* b223c77 Updated .gitlab-ci.vml file
* 598207f (origin/deployment, deployment) renamed it lol
  3ffdc76 (origin/tests, tests) finished range testing
  ad24eb7 done api tests
 f67a988 add user working and fixed bugs
 * d1444e6 finished consistency testing
 * 310f994 expected and unexpected works
* 3164f3a removed redundant
* d95acc7 database testing works
  4046e83 (tag: v2.0) Merge branch 'main' into releases
* c964459 refactored code and formatted
    549b2f7 Merge branch 'backend'
  * 9123acd (origin/backend, backend) reccommend cars working
  * 5907fa3 added wishlist features
    775b02a history removal works
  * 51429b8 done with wishlist
  * 444d1fc finished profile and update
  * 4eb926c preloading cars done
    337b0ec (origin/regressionML, regressionML) updated notebook with cos similiarity
    a0283ab Merge branch 'deployment'
  * 4a04d0d gunicorn server works
    6f76f43 decide tests and created apis
    3ecb8b6 slight refactoring
    27fcae1 refactored code for testing
* | 1c1c765 Merge branch 'main' into tests
  * 1d01f93 (origin/userauth, userauth) working auth and history save
  * 0e53537 Merge branch 'database'
| * c7a90e6 (origin/database, database) added database tables
      a20b73c (origin/front-end, front-end) added showcase
      bd658d2 added wishlist
      a51a286 added history page
      d8bfa32 formatted prediction page
  * | 2accffd added homepage
      307ce59 added nav and footer
* / 65c7ale init tests
/ 25e0f61 (tag: v1.0) Added Readme
ff2ea0d fixed issues with model and integrated
  9c0aeff Merge branch 'regressionML' into 'main'
   df9d7c9 Merge branch 'main' into 'regressionML
    2b52804 Merge branch 'wireframes' into 'main'
* | 75fc283 added sign up
* | b4785f3 added login
    aac5a6f Added signup.drawio
```

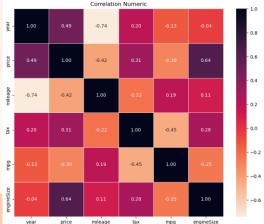


Exploratory Data Analysis



Based on the EDA:

- Some classes had very low rows and decided to remove them.
- Outliers in year and other numeric columns
- Price highly correlated with year and engine size
- No null values
- Model has too many classes and cannot be used





Preprocessing





Cleaning

- Removed outliers
- Remove classes with low representation
- Removed models with very little rows



Splitting

- Used train-val-test split with ratio 70-10-10
- Dropped model column from dataset

```
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
    X, y, train_size=0.70, random_state=99
)

X_test, X_val, y_test, y_val = train_test_split(
    X_test, y_test, train_size=0.5, random_state=99
)

features = X_train.columns
```



Pipeline

- Performed ordinal encoding for transmission
- Performed one hot for others
- Scaled numeric columns



Modelling











Try many

- Compared r2 and MAPE from various models
- Random Forest, ExtraTrees and Gradient Boosting performed well on val

	name	r2	mape
0	AdaBoostRegressor	0.561832	0.379821
1	Elasticnet	0.720060	0.229378
2	ExtraTreesRegressor	0.945363	0.082342
3	Gradient Boosting	0.901410	0.129191
4	Lasso	0.797757	0.212168
5	Linear Regression	0.797793	0.212352
6	RandomForest	0.949272	0.079728
7	Ridge	0.797782	0.212236

VotingRegressor

- Used three best models just now to make it
- Performed around the same
- But takes very long to train and predict

LightGBM

- Used from external library
- Performed around the same
- But is noticeably faster

```
lgbm_regressor = LGBMRegressor()
lgbm_pipe = getPipe("lgbm_regressor", lgbm_regressor)
lgbm_pipe.fit(X_train, y_train)

y_val_pred = lgbm_pipe.predict(X_val)

r2 = r2_score(y_val, y_val_pred)
mape = mean_absolute_percentage_error(y_val, y_val_pred)

print("LightGBM Regressor")
print(f"R2: {r2}")
print(f"MAPE: {mape}")

LightGBM Regressor
R2: 0.9392643657067584
MAPE: 0.09735651323184125
```

Random Forest vs LightGBM



Random Forest

- Performed slightly better than LGBM
- Slower than LGBM
- More accuracy might not be that significant to user than speed

```
rf_regressor = getPipe("Random Forest", RandomForestRegressor())
lgbm regressor = getPipe("LightGBM", LGBMRegressor())
start time_fit = time.time()
rf regressor.fit(X train, y train)
fit time rf = time.time() - start time fit
start time fit = time.time()
lgbm regressor.fit(X train, y train)
fit time lgbm = time.time() - start time fit
start time predict = time.time()
y val pred = rf regressor.predict(X val)
predict time rf = time.time() - start time predict
start time predict = time.time()
y val pred = lgbm regressor.predict(X val)
predict time lgbm = time.time() - start time predict
print(f"Fit Time: {fit time rf:.4f} seconds - Random Forest")
print(f"Fit Time: {fit time lgbm:.4f} seconds - LightGBM")
print(f"Predict Time: {predict time rf:.4f} seconds - Random Forest")
print(f"Predict Time: {predict time lgbm:.4f} seconds - LightGBM")
Fit Time: 37.1690 seconds - Random Forest
Fit Time: 0.5411 seconds - LightGBM
Predict Time: 0.7888 seconds - Random Forest
Predict Time: 0.0490 seconds - LightGBM
```

LightGBM

- Performed slightly worse than RF
- 40x faster at training
- 20x faster at prediction
- Will provide better user experience



Tuning & Final Model

- **+**
- Since we making final model I will use the entire dataset without splits
- Use RandomisedCV for speed as the slight increase in accuracy with GridsearchCV may not be significant
- Best r2 is better than RF just now
- Final pipeline is ready and will be saved as pickle file to be loaded by Flask

```
Pipeline
                                                        preprocessing: ColumnTransformer
                                                                                                         scale_trans
                             label_enc
                                                                          onehot_enc
                                                                                                                                   remainder
['transmission']
                                                                    ['brand', 'fuelType'] ['mileage', 'tax', 'mpg', 'engineSize'] ['year']
                          OrdinalEncoder
                                                                       ▼ OneHotEncoder
                                                                                                      ▼ StandardScaler
                                                                                                                                   ▼ passthrough
OrdinalEncoder(categories=[['Manual', 'Semi-Auto', 'Automatic']])
                                                                      OneHotEncoder()
                                                                                                     StandardScaler()
                                                                                                                                   passthrough
                                                                  LGBMRegressor
                                     LGBMRegressor(colsample_bytree=0.9, learning_rate=0.2, max_depth=20,
                                                    min child samples=1, num leaves=100, reg alpha=0.01,
                                                    subsample=0.8)
```

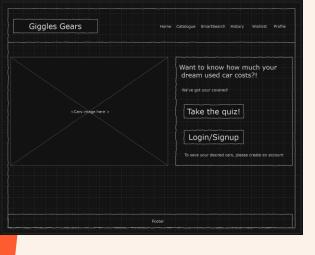
```
merged_X_train = pd.concat([X_train, X_val], axis=0, ignore_index=True)
merged_y_train = np.concatenate((y_train, y_val))
```

```
lgbm_regressor = getPipe("LightGBM", LGBMRegressor())
param dist = {
    "LightGBM learning rate": [0.05, 0.1, 0.2],
    "LightGBM n estimators": [50, 100, 150],
    "LightGBM max depth": [-1, 5, 10, 20],
    "LightGBM colsample bytree": [0.7, 0.8, 0.9],
    "LightGBM subsample": [0.7, 0.8, 0.9],
    "LightGBM min child samples": [1, 5, 10],
    "LightGBM num leaves": [20, 40, 60, 80, 100],
    "LightGBM reg alpha": [0, 0.01, 0.03],
random_search = RandomizedSearchCV(
    estimator=lgbm regressor,
    param distributions=param_dist,
    scoring="r2",
    n iter=10,
    cv=3,
    random state=99,
random search.fit(merged X train, merged y train)
best params = random search.best params
best model = random search.best estimator
v pred = best model.predict(X test)
r2 = r2_score(y_test, y_pred)
print(f"Best Parameters: {best params}")
print(f"R2 on Test Set: {r2}")
```

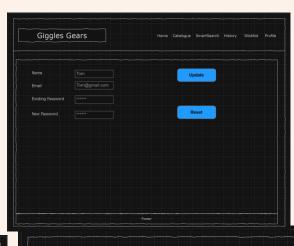
Best Parameters: {'LightGBM__subsample': 0.8, 'LightGBM__reg_alpha': 0.01, 'LightGBM__num_leaves': 100, 'LightGBM__n_estimators': 100, 'LightGBM__min_child_samples': 1, 'LightGBM__max_depth': 2 0, 'LightGBM__learning_rate': 0.2, 'LightGBM__colsample_bytree': 0.9}

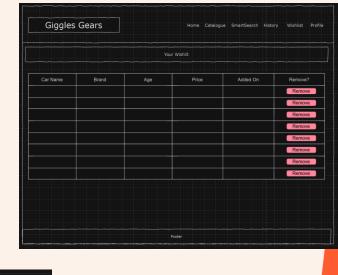
R2 on Test Set: 0.9438949546507968

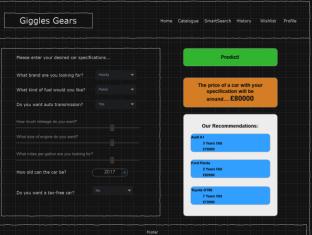


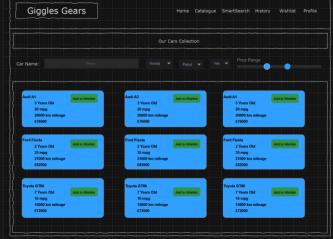


Wireframes











Flask App Setup

Application Structure

I used Flask-Login for user management and Flask-Bcrypt for hashing passwords

Routes

api.py auth.py config.cfg database.pv fileStrcut.txt forms.py ml.py models.py routes.py init .py +---static cars.jpg nav.css +---templates base.html history.html index.html login.html prediction.html profile.html showcase.html signup.html wishlist.html \---includes footer.html nav.html \--- pycache api.cpython-311.pyc auth.cpython-311.pyc database.cpython-311.pyc forms.cpvthon-311.pvc ml.cpvthon-311.pvc models.cpython-311.pyc routes.cpython-311.pyc init .cpython-311.pyc

1. Home Page • Route: / • Description: Renders the home page of the application. 2. History Page • Route: /history • Description: Displays the user's historical car data if logged in; otherwise, redirects to the login page. 3. Wishlist Page • Route: /wishlist • Description: Displays the user's wishlist if logged in; otherwise, redirects to the login page. 4. Showcase Page • Route: /showcase • Description: Allows users to search and filter cars. Displays a catalog of cars based on the search criteria. 5. Prediction Page • Route: /predict • Description: Performs car price prediction using a regression model. If the user is logged in, adds the prediction to their history. Displays the prediction result and recommends cars. 6. Login Page • Description: Provides user authentication. Users can log in with their credentials. 7. Signup Page • Route: /signup • Description: Allows new users to sign up for the application. 8. Profile Page

• Description: Displays and allows users to update their profile information if logged in; otherwise, redirects to

the login page.

Database Schema

```
User Table:
  - id: Integer (Primary Key)
  - name: String(255) (Not Null)
  - email: String(255) (Unique, Not Null)
  - password: String(255) (Not Null)
Car Table:
  - id: Integer (Primary Key)
  - year: Integer
  - model: String(255)
  - transmission: String(255)
  - mileage: Integer

    fuelType: String(255)

  - tax: Integer
  - mpg: Integer
  - engineSize: Float
  - brand: String(255)
  - price: Float
Wishlist Table:
  - user id: Integer (Foreign Key, References User.id, Primary Key, Not Null)
  - car id: Integer (Foreign Key, References Car.id, Primary Key, Not Null)
  - date: DateTime (Default: Current UTC DateTime, Not Null)
History Table:
  - histID: Integer (Primary Key, Not Null)
  - id: Integer (Foreign Key, References User.id. Not Null)
  - vear: Integer
  - transmission: String(255)
  - mileage: Integer

    fuelType: String(255)

  - tax: Integer
  - mpg: Integer
  - engineSize: Float
  - brand: String(255)
  - price: Float
  - date: DateTime (Default: Current UTC DateTime, Not Null)
```



API Tests:

- User:
 - Test add user
 - Test login API
- Prediction:
 - Test the prediction API

Range Tests:

- Prediction:
 - Try inputting large values and negative values

Consistency Tests:

- Prediction:
 - Input the same model with the same data multiple times and check consistency

I did validity testing too

but they are spread out

between the diff files cuz

its hard to separate them

import pytest

@pytest.fixture

@pytest.fixture

def client(app):

@pytest.fixture

def db(app):

yield application

return app.test_client()

with app.app_context():
 yield database.session

-- Docs: https://docs.pytest.org/en/stable/how-to/capture-warnings.html

def app():

from application import app as application

from application import db as database

- ΔPI
 - o Test if search results are consistent no matter how many times you request

Expected Scenarios:

- Prediction:
 - Missing values for the ML model
- Routes
 - Invalid request types like PUT and DELETE for routes
- Forme
 - o Try every form with missing data
- Database:
 - Init models with missing params

Unexpected Scenarios:

• User:

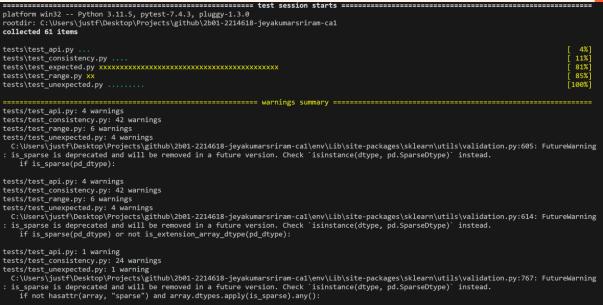
- Add a user
- Login and obtain user ID
- Prediction:
 - Predict fixed input output
- Database:
 - o Test initialization for each database class
 - o Insert into the database and verify values
 - o Remove from the database and ensure consistency
 - Edit the database and validate changes
 - Test populating cars DB

Tests (Overview)

I used simple fixtures in my application. I group all the tests in different files based on what they are testing for like range or consistency.

All the passable tests have passed and the rest xfailed. You can ignore the warning as they are future warning about a sklearn function getting deprecated



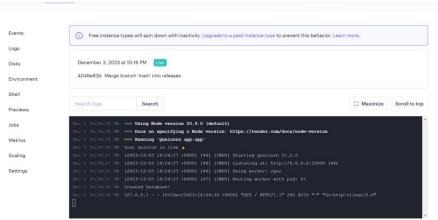


------ 16 passed, 45 xfailed, 138 warnings in 3.84s ----------------------------



Advanced

- Automatic Testing: I used gitlab's CI pipeline feature to construct one that has just one stage which is testing.
 Basically whenever I merge a branch or commit the tests I've created will be run and produce a report like this =>>>
- Dockerise: throughout my development I used docker to avoid touching my local environment. Using gunicorn
- Deployed to Render.com using GitLab. Initially I tried to deploy my image to dockerhub and then to render but to make things simpler I just connected my render to my releases branch to deploy every release



Community

render

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Env Groups

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                                                                                      Q 0 1 = + +
                                                                                                                     Duration: 59 seconds
        WARNING: Running pip as the 'root' user can result in broken permissions and conflicting behaviour with th
                                                                                                                     Finished: 2 hours ago
         e system package manager. It is recommended to use a virtual environment instead: https://pip.pypa.io/warn
                                                                                                                     Queued: 0 seconds
    158 [notice] A new release of pip is available: 23.2.1 -> 23.3.1
                                                                                                                     Timeout: 1h (from project) ?
    159 [notice] To update, run: pip install --upgrade pip
                                                                                                                     Runner: #12270807 (j1aLDqxSn) 1-
                                                                                                                             blue saas-linux-small-
                                                                                                                             amd64.runners-
     161 ----- test session starts -----
                                                                                                                             manager.gitlab.com/default
     162 platform linux -- Python 3.11.6, pytest-7.4.3, pluggy-1.3.0
                                                                                                                     Test summary: 61
     163 rootdir: /builds/4618-devops/2b01-2214618-jeyakumarsriram-ca1
     164 collected 61 items
                                                                                                                     Job artifacts (?)
        tests/test_api.pv ...
                                                                              [ 4%]
                                                                                                                     These artifacts are the latest. They will
    166 tests/test_consistency.py ....
                                                                              [ 11%]
                                                                                                                     not be deleted (even if expired) until
                                                                              [ 81%]
                                                                                                                     newer artifacts are available.
                                                                              [ 85%]
        tests/test_unexpected.py ......
         ------ warnings summary ------
                                                                                                                     Commit bc933bd5 (%
        tests/test api.pv: 4 warnings
                                                                                                                     Merge branch 'main' into releases
        tests/test_consistency.py: 42 warnings
        tests/test_range.pv: 6 warnings
                                                                                                                     Pipeline #1093636925 Passed for
        tests/test_unexpected.pv: 4 warnings
                                                                                                                     v3.0 [2
          /usr/local/lib/python3.11/site-packages/sklearn/utils/validation.py:605: FutureWarning: is_sparse is dep
         recated and will be removed in a future version. Check 'isinstance(dtype, pd.SparseDtype)' instead.
             if is_sparse(pd_dtype)
        tests/test_api.pv: 4 warnings
                                                                                                                     Related jobs
    178 tests/test_consistency.py: 42 warnings
    179 tests/test_range.py: 6 warnings
                                                                                                                      →  pytest
        tests/test_unexpected.py: 4 warning
```

Thanks!







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