Philadelphia Crime

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Machine Learning

Wrangling

Weekly Crime Rate

Computing weekly crime rate by district. Adding previous weeks of crime to the data.

Feature Engineering

Additional Data

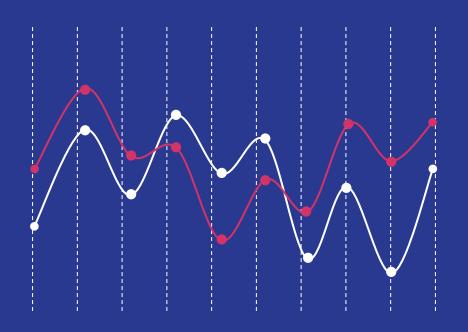
Adding economic trends such as unemployment and CPI. Extracting timestamp components such as year and quarter. Converting timestamp components and district to binary data points.

Modeling

Predictions

Training linear regression, XGBoost, and deep learning neural network models.
Evaluating performance.
Computing feature drift to signal retraining.

Wrangling



Dataset

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Below is the first and last arrest in the data. There are 2,237,605 total arrests. The key columns are Dispatch_Date and Dc_Dist which tell us when and where the arrests occur. [Link to the dataset]

Police

Dist	Psa	Date_Time	_Date	_Time	Hour	Dc_Key	_Block	Gener al	Code	Districts	Month	Lon	Lat
3	I	2006-01-01 00:00:00	2006-01- 01	00:00:00	0	2006030 00002	S 8TH ST /SOUTH ST	2600.0	All Other Offenses	3.0	2006-01	-75. 155 491	39. 942 416
24	3	2017-03-23 01:29:00	2017-03- 23	01:29:00	1	2017240 26395	3700 BLOCK RICHMO ND ST	400.0	Aggravated Assault No Firearm	17.0	2017-03	-75. 087 735	39. 990 09

Location

Crime Rate

Dispatch_Date	Dc_Dist	Crimes
2006-01-01	1	14.0
2006-01-02	1	17.0
2017-03-22	92	0.0
2017-03-23	92	0.0

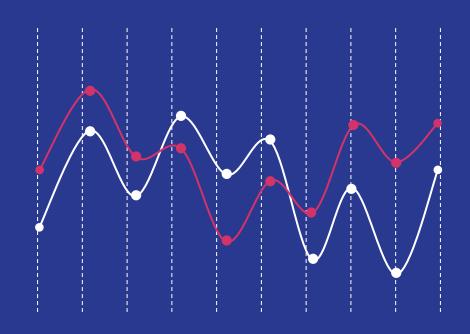
Aggregating the data by Dispatch_Date and Dc_Dist we get 102,500 rows of crime data.

Previous Weeks Of Crime

Aggregating the data by Year, Week, and Dc_Dist we get 14,575 rows of crime data. For each district the previous four weeks of crime were extracted.

Dc_Dist	Year	Week	Crimes	Crimes(t-1)	Crimes(t-2)	Crimes(t-3)	Crimes(t-4)	
1	2006	4	97.0	144.0	103.0	129.0	14.0	
1	2006	5	110.0	97.0	144.0	103.0	129.0	
1	2006	6	77.0	110.0	97.0	144.0	103.0	
1	2006	7	83.0	77.0	110.0	97.0	144.0	

Feature Engineering



Time Components

Year	Quarter	Month	Week	Days	Crimes
2006	1	1	4	7	97.0
2006	1	1	5	7	110.0
2006	1	2	6	7	77.0
2006	1	2	7	7	83.0

The Year, Quarter, Month, Week, and number of Days in a week were extracted from Dispatch_Date.

Economic Data

The NASDAQ closing price, Unemployment rate, CPI, PPI, GDP, GDI, and Federal Funds Rate were pulled from FRED (Federal Reserve Economic Data).

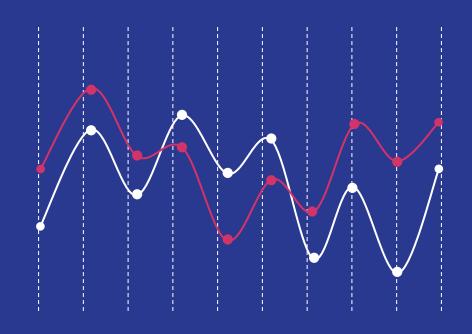
Year	Week	NASDAQ	Unemployment	CPI	PPI	GDP	GDI	Federal_Funds_Rate
2006	4	2281.437143	4.700000	0.762195	164.300000	13599.16	13795.893	4.290000
2006	5	2284.638571	4.771429	0.361852	162.514286	13599.16	13795.893	4.432857
2006	6	2258.892857	4.800000	0.201715	161.800000	13599.16	13795.893	4.490000
2006	7	2274.302857	4.800000	0.201715	161.800000	13599.16	13795.893	4.490000

The time components and Dc_Dist were converted to binary variables.

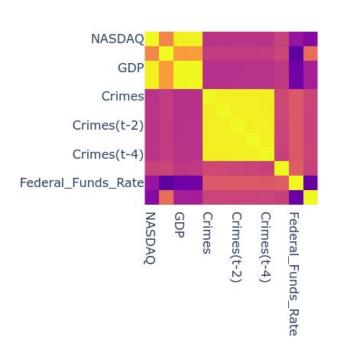
Binary Data

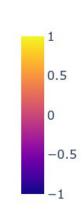
Year_2006	 Week_4	Week_5	 Dc_Dist_1	 Dc_Dist_92	Crimes
1	 1	0	 1	 0	97.0
1	 0	1	 1	 0	110.0
1	 0	0	 1	 0	77.0
1	 0	0	 1	 0	83.0

Data Exploration



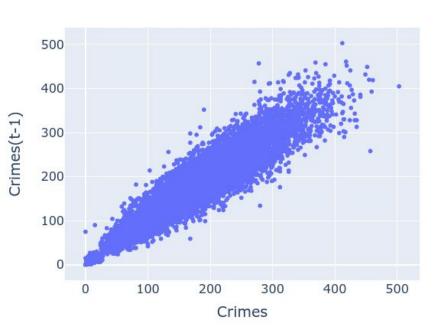
Correlation Heatmap





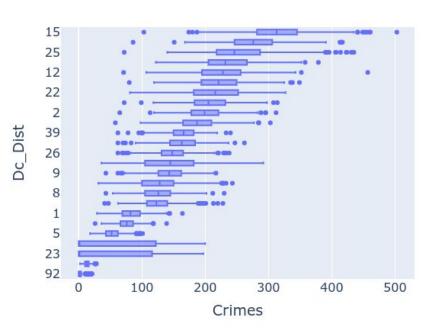
There's two hot spots for relationships in the data. The top-left yellow region shows strong relationships between the economic indicators. The centered yellow region shows strong relationships between crime and previous weeks of crime. There's also a strong relationship in the bottom-left where it is dark purple for the federal funds rate and the other economic indicators.

Crimes vs. Crimes(t-1)



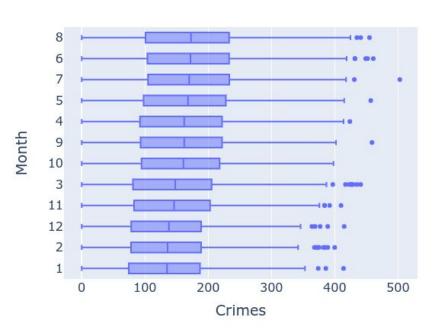
We can see that the previous week of crime is similar to the current week of crime. When the previous week is high or low the current week follows the same trend.

Crimes vs. Dc_Dist



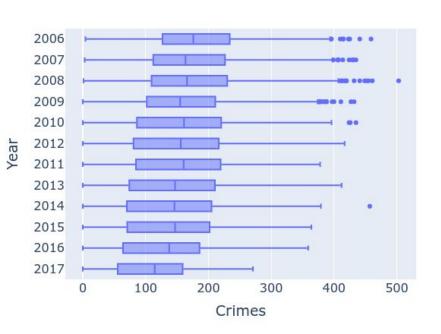
We can see that crime is higher in some districts and lower in others.

Crimes vs. Month



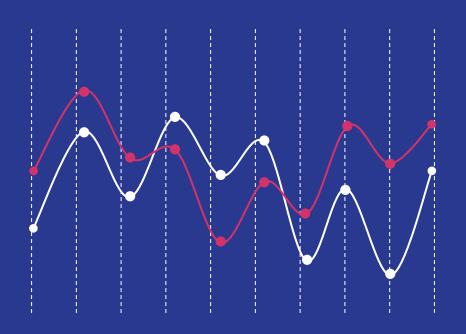
We can see that crime is slightly higher in the summer than the winter. In August, the median crime rate is 173 arrests per week. In January, the median crime rate is 135 arrests per week. That's a 22% decrease.

Crimes vs. Year



We can see that crime is slowly decreasing over time. In 2006, the median crime rate is 176 arrests per week. Ten years later in 2016, the median crime rate is 137.5 arrests per week. That's a 22% decrease.

Modeling



Model Parameters

Linear Regression

Library: scikit-learn

Length Of Path: 1e-9

Number Of Alphas: 16

Cross Validation Folds: 3

Tolerance: 1e-4

Max Iterations: 500

XGBoost

Library: xgboost

Boosting Rounds: 100

Learning Rate: 0.1

Max Depth: 7

Min Child Weight: 1

Column Sampling: 0.8

Row Sampling: 0.8

Neural Network

Library: Tensorflow

Epochs: 500

Learning Rate: 0.001

Batch Size: 16

Layers: 10

Nodes Per Layer: 128

Solver: Adam

Model Comparison

Linear Regression

R2: 0.94

RMSE: 20.7

In Control: 97.39%

Model Indicators:

- 1. Crimes(t-1)
- 2. Crimes(t-2)
- 3. Crimes(t-3)
- 4. Crimes(t-4)
- 5. Week_52

XGBoost

R2: 0.93

RMSE: 21.9

In Control: 97.6%

Model Indicators:

- 1. Crimes(t-2)
- 2. Crimes(t-3)
- 3. Crimes(t-1)
- 4. Crimes(t-4)
- 5. Dc_Dist_15

Neural Network

R2: 0.89

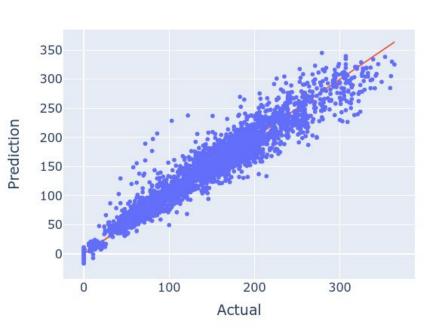
RMSE: 28.4

In Control: 97.36%

Model Indicators:

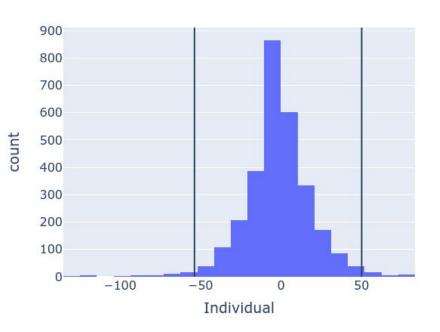
- 1. GDI
- 2. Federal_Funds_Rate
- 3. GDP
- 4. PPI
- 5. Unemployment

Parity Plot



These predictions come from the linear regression model. These predictions are done on 20% of the data that the model did not see during training. The model trained on data from 2006, week 4 to 2015, week 1. These predictions are done on data from 2015, week 1 to 2017, week 12. The predictions are centered on the red line (perfect predictions). There is a tendency to over-predict the crime rate.

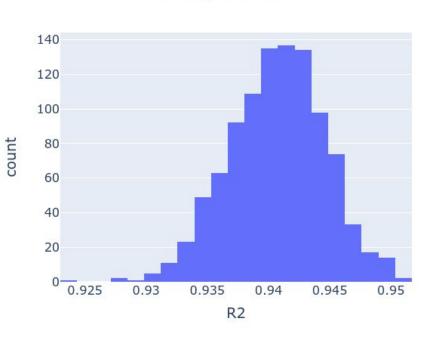
Histogram For Residuals, 97.39% In Control



The residuals are prediction error = actual - predicted.

The residuals have a tight bell shape, which is good, and they are centered on zero. Control limits were computed on the residuals and we can see that the prediction error is mostly under control. We can see a skew to the left, which shows the model has a tendency to over-predict the crime rate.

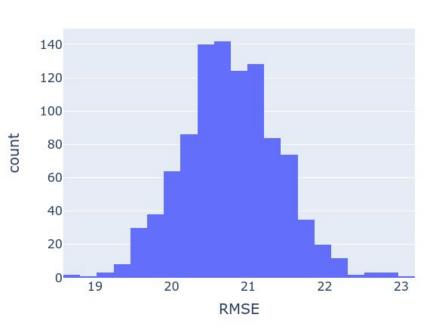
Histogram For R2



The prediction error was resampled 1000 times at a 50% sampling rate with replacement. Then R2 was computed on each sample to get a distribution.

R2 has a tight range between 0.92 and 0.95, which is good. R2 has a bell shape, which is good, and a slight skew to the left.

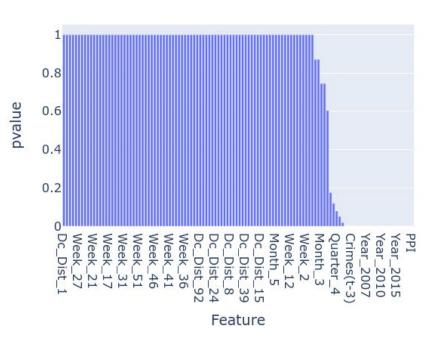
Histogram For RMSE



The prediction error was resampled as previously mentioned to get a distribution for RMSE.

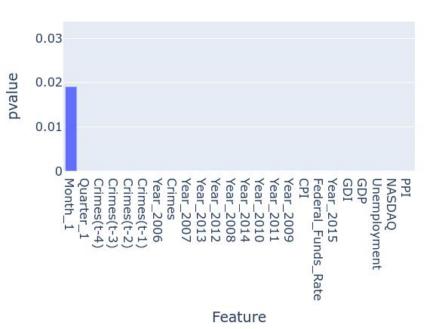
On average, the predictions are off by 19 to 23 crimes per week, which is a tight range.

Feature Drift, Drift Detected If pvalue < 0.05



A Kolmogorov-Smirnov test was performed for each column in the data to see if the distribution of the testing data is the same as the training data. If the testing data does not share the same distribution as the training data, then there is a drift, which signals for model retraining. Most of the columns do not experience a drift, which is good; but some of them do.

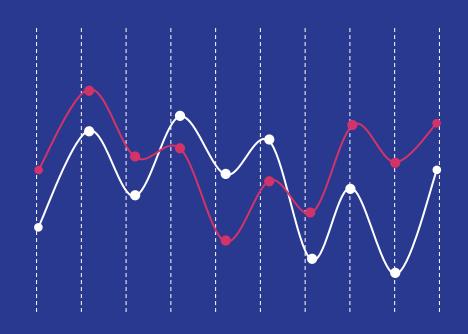
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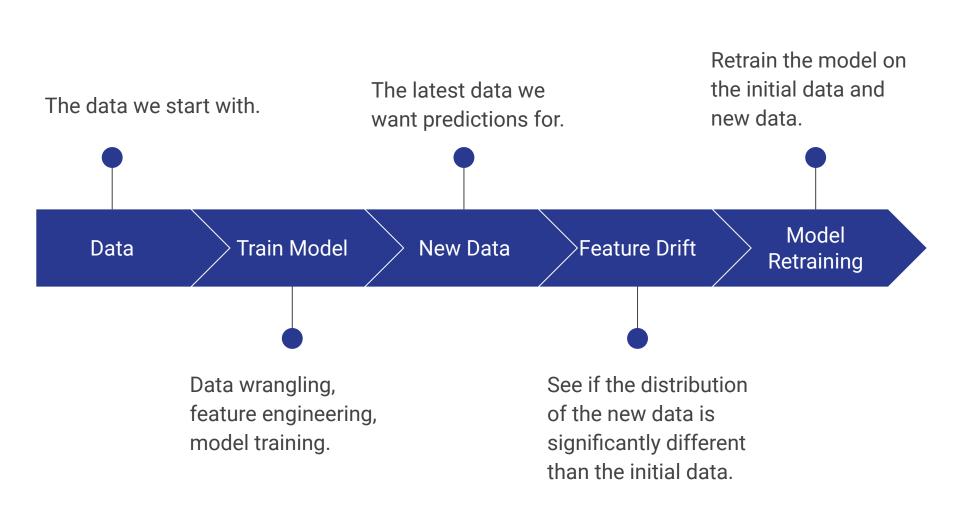


We can see that the crime rate, the years, and the economic data are experiencing a drift. This is because crime is decreasing, the years are different between the training and testing data, and most of the economic data has a trend to increase.

The linear regression model was retrained to include the testing data.

Deployment





Thank You