Tesla Stock Price Prediction using kNN and Random Forest

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1 Preparation

```
[82]: import math
    from time import time
    import datetime

import pandas as pd
    import numpy as np
    import quandl

#to plot within notebook
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    %matplotlib inline

#setting figure size
    from matplotlib.pylab import rcParams
    rcParams['figure.figsize'] = 20,10
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1.1 Data Cleaning

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[14]: df = pd.read_csv('tesla.csv')
    df.index = df['Date']
    df = df.sort_index(ascending = True, axis = 0)

[34]: df.head()

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1.2 Define function

2 Random Forest

2.1 Try to predict using a Single Decision Tree

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X_df = df_small[features]
t_df = df_small['y']

X_train, X_val = X_df[:n_train].to_numpy(), X_df[n_train:].to_numpy()
t_train, t_val = t_df[:n_train].to_numpy(), t_df[n_train:].to_numpy()
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[33]: print_score(model)
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rmse train 5.150626113476439, rmse val 4.382942883692601, r^2 train 0.9965165047631718, r^2 val 0.9729952809567858

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[37]: model.estimators_[0].get_depth()
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[37]: 6

The result is not bad, RMSE is pretty low and R^2 is close to 1.

This random forest is a single decision tree with depth of 6 and at least 25 samples in each leaf node. We enabled bootstrapping to avoid overfitting.

I believe the model could be optimized using Random Forest, as it it constructed by some decision trees using bagging.

2.2 Try Random Forest

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[39]: model = RandomForestRegressor(n_estimators=40, bootstrap=True, 

→min_samples_leaf=25)
model.fit(X_train, t_train)

print_score(model)
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rmse train 3.9034098186634734, rmse val 2.4245026785986763, r^2 train 0.9979992930963252, r^2 val 0.9917367027160658

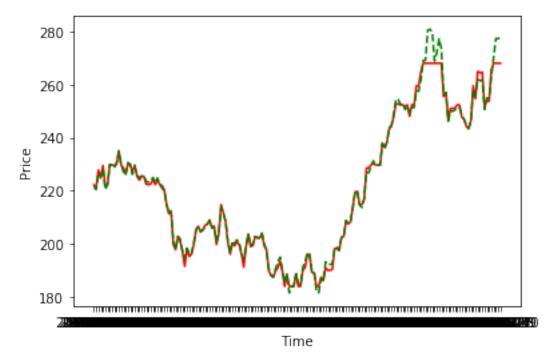
We see a slight improvement in RMSE and R^2 for both training and validation data. It is a better model!

Now let's try to plot out our prediction.

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[54]: np.mean(model.predict(X_val)), np.mean(t_val)

[54]: (221.6080401416136, 222.148555555556)

[52]: plt.plot(df_small['Date'][n_train:], model.predict(X_val), 'r-')
    plt.plot(df_small['Date'][n_train:], t_val, 'g--')
    plt.xlabel('Time')
    plt.ylabel('Price')
    plt.show()
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2.3 Try to use GridSearch for model selection

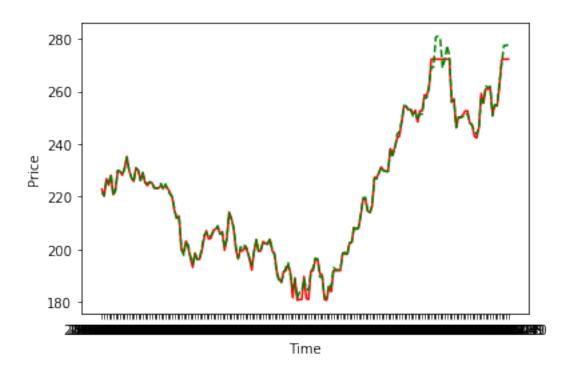
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[59]: from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV

parameters = {
    'n_estimators': [30, 40, 50, 60],
    'min_samples_leaf': [20, 25, 30, 40]
}

rf = RandomForestRegressor(bootstrap = True)
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clf.fit(X_train, t_train)
[59]: GridSearchCV(cv=None, error_score=nan,
                   estimator=RandomForestRegressor(bootstrap=True, ccp_alpha=0.0,
                                                   criterion='mse', max_depth=None,
                                                   max_features='auto',
                                                   max_leaf_nodes=None,
                                                   max_samples=None,
                                                   min_impurity_decrease=0.0,
                                                   min_impurity_split=None,
                                                   min_samples_leaf=1,
                                                   min_samples_split=2,
                                                   min_weight_fraction_leaf=0.0,
                                                   n_estimators=100, n_jobs=None,
                                                   oob_score=False, random_state=None,
                                                   verbose=0, warm_start=False),
                   iid='deprecated', n_jobs=None,
                   param_grid={'min_samples_leaf': [20, 25, 30, 40],
                               'n_estimators': [30, 40, 50, 60]},
                   pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score=False,
                   scoring=None, verbose=0)
[61]: clf.best_params_
[61]: {'min_samples_leaf': 20, 'n_estimators': 40}
[77]: best_model = RandomForestRegressor(n_estimators = 40, bootstrap = True,
      →min_samples_leaf = 20)
      best_model.fit(X_train, t_train)
      print_score(best_model)
     rmse train 154.7236114644389, rmse val 196.61044864752793
[78]: plt.plot(df_small['Date'][n_train:], best_model.predict(X_val), 'r-')
      plt.plot(df_small['Date'][n_train:], t_val, 'g--')
      plt.xlabel('Time')
      plt.ylabel('Price')
      plt.show()
```

clf = GridSearchCV(rf, parameters)



This model is another great improvement. This tells us the importance of trying different parameters in order to get a better model.

3 KNN

Lastly, we will try K-nearest neighbors to predict the stock price.

```
[67]: from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsRegressor
    from sklearn.preprocessing import MinMaxScaler

# It is important to scale the data for kNN
    scaler = MinMaxScaler(feature_range = (0, 1))

X_train_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X_train)
    X_val_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X_val)

[68]: params = {'n_neighbors': [2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]}
    knn = KNeighborsRegressor()
    clf = GridSearchCV(knn, params, cv = 5)

    clf.fit(X_train_scaled, t_train)
    clf.best_params_

[68]: {'n_neighbors': 2}
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[79]: best_model = KNeighborsRegressor(n_neighbors = 2)
best_model.fit(X_train_scaled, t_train)

def print_score(m):
    res = [rmse(m.predict(X_train_scaled), t_train), rmse(m.
    →predict(X_val_scaled), t_val)]
    print(f"rmse train {res[0]}, rmse val {res[1]}")
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[80]: print_score(best_model)

rmse train 0.596753984777006, rmse val 100.14868004648451

It seems that K-nearest neighbors is not a good algorithm for predicting this dataset. It is a highly overfitting model. Random Forest is a better choice.

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