

 databricks

14 DAYS

AI CHALLENGE

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Topic:

Model Comparison & Feature Engineering

Challenge:

1. Train 3 different models
2. Compare metrics in MLflow
3. Build Spark ML pipeline
4. Select best model

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Feature Engineering

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```
fe_df = (  
    events_df  
    .withColumn("is_purchase", F.when(F.col("event_type") == "purchase", 1).otherwise(0))  
    .withColumn("log_price", F.log1p("price"))  
    .withColumn("event_hour", F.hour("event_time"))  
)  
  
fe_df.display()
```

See performance (1)

fe_df: pyspark.sql.connect.dataframe.DataFrame = [user_id: integer, product_id: string ... 6 more fields]

Table

| | user_id | product_id | event_type | price | event_time | is_purchase | log_price | event_hour |
|---|---------|------------|------------|-------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|
| 1 | 1 | A | view | 100 | 2026-01-23T00:00:00.000+00:... | 0 | 4.61512051684126 | 0 |
| 2 | 2 | A | purchase | 100 | 2026-01-23T00:00:00.000+00:... | 1 | 4.61512051684126 | 0 |
| 3 | 3 | B | view | 200 | 2026-01-23T00:00:00.000+00:... | 0 | 5.303304908059076 | 0 |
| 4 | 4 | B | purchase | 200 | 2026-01-23T00:00:00.000+00:... | 1 | 5.303304908059076 | 0 |
| 5 | 5 | C | view | 150 | 2026-01-23T00:00:00.000+00:... | 0 | 5.017279836814924 | 0 |

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Aggregate to model-ready features

```
features_df = (\n    fe_df\n        .groupBy("product_id")\n        .agg(\n            F.avg("price").alias("avg_price"),\n            F.avg("log_price").alias("avg_log_price"),\n            F.sum("is_purchase").alias("total_purchases"),\n            F.count("*").alias("total_events")\n        )\n)\n\nfeatures_df.display()
```

> [See performance \(1\)](#)

> `features_df: pyspark.sql.connect.dataframe.DataFrame = [product_id: string, avg_price: double ... 3 more fields]`

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product_id

1.2 avg_price

1.2 avg_log_price

1.2 total_purchases

1.2 total_events

| | | | | | |
|---|---|-----|-------------------|---|---|
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| 2 | B | 200 | 5.303304908059076 | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | C | 150 | 5.017279836814924 | 0 | 1 |

Prepare ML features

```
from pyspark.ml.feature import VectorAssembler

assembler = VectorAssembler(
    inputCols=["avg_price", "total_events"],
    outputCol="features_v1"
)

assembler_log = VectorAssembler(
    inputCols=["avg_log_price", "total_events"],
    outputCol="features_v2"
)

df_v1 = assembler.transform(features_df)
df_v2 = assembler_log.transform(features_df)
```

```
> df_v1: pyspark.sql.connect.dataframe.DataFrame
> df_v2: pyspark.sql.connect.dataframe.DataFrame
```

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Train & Compare Models

```

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from pyspark.ml.regression import LinearRegression
from pyspark.ml.evaluation import RegressionEvaluator

lr = LinearRegression(labelCol="total_purchases")

model_v1 = lr.fit(df_v1.select("features_v1", "total_purchases")
                  .withColumnRenamed("features_v1", "features"))

model_v2 = lr.fit(df_v2.select("features_v2", "total_purchases")
                  .withColumnRenamed("features_v2", "features"))

evaluator = RegressionEvaluator(
    labelCol="total_purchases",
    metricName="rmse"
)

rmse_v1 = evaluator.evaluate(model_v1.transform(
    df_v1.withColumnRenamed("features_v1", "features")
))

rmse_v2 = evaluator.evaluate(model_v2.transform(
    df_v2.withColumnRenamed("features_v2", "features")
))

print(f"RMSE without log feature : {rmse_v1}")
print(f"RMSE with log feature      : {rmse_v2}")

RMSE without log feature : 1.3260853798135218e-15
RMSE with log feature    : 1.6764000044290905e-15
    
```