

CAR: PRICE PREDICTION

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INTRODUCTION

- Cars are one of the necessary need of each and every person around the globe and therefore car market is the market which is one of the major contributors in the world's economy. It is a very large market and there are various companies working in the domain.
- Data science comes as a very important tool to solve problems in the domain to help the companies increase their overall revenue, profits, improving their marketing strategies and focusing on changing trends in car sales and purchases. Predictive modelling, Market mix modelling, recommendation systems are some of the machine learning techniques used for achieving the business goals for car selling companies. Our problem is related to one such car-selling client.
- We are required to model the price of cars with the available independent variables. This model will then be used by the management to understand how exactly the prices vary with the variables. They can accordingly manipulate the strategy of the firm and concentrate on areas that will yield high returns. Further, the model will be a good way for the management to understand the pricing dynamics of a new market.
- With the covid 19 impact in the market, we have seen lot of changes in the car market. Now some cars are in demand hence making them costly and some are not in demand hence cheaper. One of the clients works with small traders, who sell used cars. With the change in market due to covid 19 impact, client is facing problems with their previous car price valuation machine learning models. So, they are looking for new machine learning models from new data.

- For this client wants to know:
 - ➤ Which variables are important to predict the price of variable?
 - ➤ How do these variables describe the price of the cars?

Analytical Problem Framing

• Mathematical/ Analytical Modeling of the Problem

In this project we have performed various mathematical and statistical analysis such as we checked description or statistical summary of the data using describe, checked correlation using corr and also visualized it using heatmap. Then we have used zscore to plot outliers and remove them.



Removing the Outliers using Z-score

Removing Outliers

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In [184]: from scipy.stats import zscore
          z=np.abs(zscore(df))
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In [187]: df_new=df[(z<3).all(axis=1)]</pre>
In [188]: df_new.shape
Out[188]: (2425, 8)
In [189]: df.shape
Out[189]: (2572, 8)
In [118]: ((2572-2425)/2572)*188
Out[110]: 5.715396578538103
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Data Sources and their formats

The sample data is extracted by using web scraping from selenium. It is stored in csv format and hence we import it using pandas. Then we further checked more about data using info, checked data types using dtypes, shapes using .shape, columns using .columns, null values using .isnull.sum, and further visualize it through heatmap as follows:



• <u>Data Preprocessing Done</u>

First we will determine whether there are any null values and since there were null values as well as NaN values present in the dataset we proceeded further by imputing them using Simple Imputer with mean and most frequent as strategies respectively. Next we did Label encoding using label encoder. Then we performed some data visualization in which we observed certain attributes were having skewness and outliers that were plotted using distplot and boxplot. Outliers were removed with the help of Zscore in which 147 rows were removed.

<u>Data Inputs- Logic- Output Relationships</u>

The data consists of 9 inputs and one output-"Price". Kilometers Driven is the least/negatively correlated column with target('Price') variable. Owner is highly correlated column with target variable followed by other attributes.

<u>Hardware and Software Requirements and Tools Used</u>

In this project we have used HP Pavilion PC with 64-bit operating system and have Windows 10 pro. We have used python to develop this project in which we have used various libraries such as numpy, pandas, matplotlib, seaborn for handling data or arrays and their visualization. For statistical purpose we have used zscore from scipy.stats to remove outliers. Lastly, to develop the model we have used various libraries and metrics from sklearn such as train_test_split, Linear Regression, Lasso, Ridge, Elastic Net, SVR, Decision Tree Regressor, KNeighbors Regressor, Random Forest Regressor,AdaBoostRegressor, mean_squared_error, mean_absolute_error and r2 score.

Model/s Development and Evaluation

<u>Identification of possible problem-solving approaches</u> (methods)

We have performed various mathematical and statistical analysis such as we checked description or statistical summary of the data using describe, checked correlation using corr and also visualized it using heatmap. Then we have used zscore to plot outliers and remove them. We have used distplot to find the distribution of all attributes.

<u>Testing of Identified Approaches (Algorithms)</u>

We have used following algorithms such as: LinearRegression, Lasso, Ridge, ElasticNet,SVR,DecisionTreeRegressor,KNeighborsRegressor,RandomForest Regressor and AdaBoostRegressor.

Run and Evaluate selected models

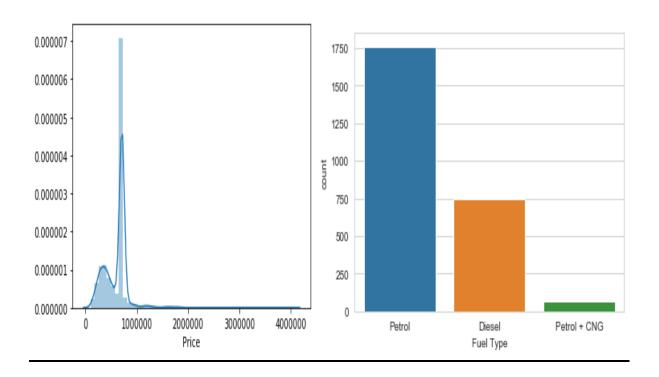
We have formed a loop where all the algorithms will be used one by one and their corresponding Score, Mean Absolute Error, Mean Squared Error, RMSE and r2 score will be evaluated.

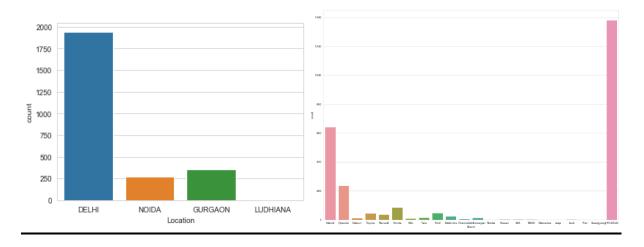
• I chose Decision Tree Regressor as our best model since it's giving us best score and it's performing well. It's r2_score is also satisfactory and it shows that our model is neither underfitting/overfitting. Then there is no need to perform hyperparamter as it is giving 100% accuracy. Its r2_score is also sat isfactory. Hence we saved Decision Tree Regressor as our final model using joblib.

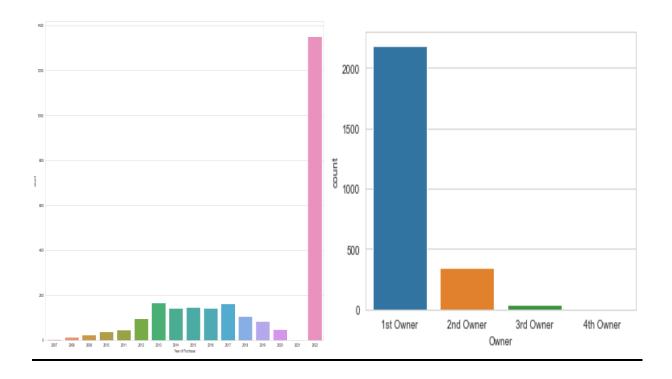
Key Metrics for success in solving problem under consideration

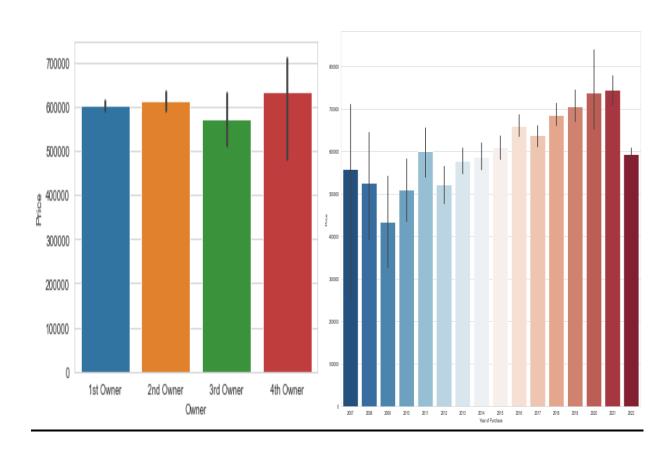
Key metrics used for finalising the model was Score and r2_score. Since in case of Decision Tree Regressor it's giving us good score among all other models and it's performing well. It's r2_score is also satisfactory and it shows that our model is neither underfitting/overfitting.

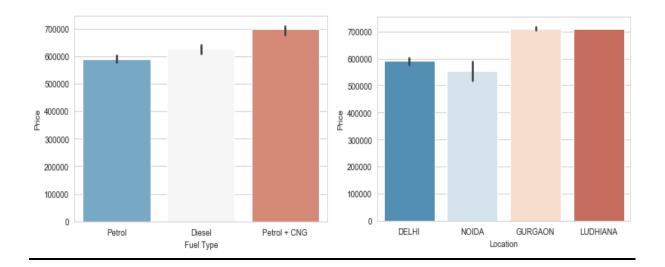
Data Visualization

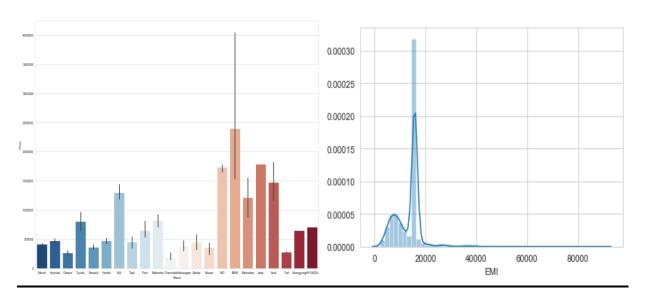


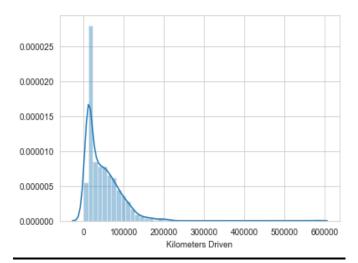












Conclusion

- Price of cars is majorly less than 1000000.
- Majorly cars are driven by petrol.
- Least number of cars are driven by Petrol + CNG.
- Highest number of cars are located in Delhi.
- Lowest number of cars are located in Ludhiana.
- Hyundai cars are present majorly in the dataset.
- Jeep and SsangYong are present in the least number in dataset.
- High number of cars whose brands are Maruti and Hyundai are present in the dataset.
- Low number of cars whose brands are KIA, Chevrolet, Nissan, Audi,
 MG, BMW, Mercedes, Skoda and Fiat are present in the dataset.
- Maximum number of cars are purchased in the year 2022.
- Minimum number of cars are purchased in the year 2021.
- High number of cars are purchased in the year 2013, 2017 and 2015 also.
- Low number of cars are purchased in the year 2009, 2008 and 2007 also.
- First owners are present majorly in the dataset.
- Fourth owners are present in least number in the dataset.
- Fourth owned cars have the highest price.
- Third owned cars have the lowest price.
- Cars purchased in the year 2021 have the highest prices.
- Cars purchased in the year 2009 have the lowest prices.
- Cars purchased in the year 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017 and 2015 have also high prices.
- Cars purchased in the year 2009, 2010, 2012 and 2008 have also low prices.
- Cars, which uses Petrol + CNG, have the highest price.
- Cars that uses only Petrol have the lowest price.
- Cars in the location of Gurgaon and Ludhiana have the highest price
- Cars in the location of Noida have the lowest prices.
- BMW has the highest price.
- Datson, Chevrolet, Nisaan and Fiat have the lowest prices.
- Jeep, MG and Audi also have high prices.

- EMI price is majorly less than 20000 in the dataset.
- Very few number of cars have EMI greater than 20000.
- Highest number of cars have EMI in the range of 15000-20000
- Kilometers Driven are majorly less than 100000 km in the dataset.
- Very few number of cars have Kilometers Driven greater than 2000 00 km in the dataset.

<u>Learning Outcomes of the Study in respect of Data Science</u>

With the help of visualization tools such as matplotlib and seaborn we have visualized the impact of each attributes on our target variable. For cleaning the data and plotting outliers we have used distplot and boxplot and for removing outliers we have used zscore which is a statistical tool. At last we got Decision Tree as our best model.

<u>Limitations of this work and Scope for Future Work</u>

The model is working well and we have performed hyperparameter tuning and we have concluded our project by choosing Decision tree Regre ssor as our best model.