

Used Car Pricing Algorithm

Model Development and Business Application

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Executive Summary

Our used car pricing algorithm offers businesses a competitive edge in predicting the final retail transaction price of vehicles, enabling better decision-making, inventory calibration, and avoidance of costly errors. By leveraging our proprietary dataset that combines private transaction prices from state title registrations, extensive dealer listings, in-depth vehicle specifications, and external economic data, our model identifies complex pricing patterns. In addition, we target multiple price quantiles to provide a spread of potential retail selling prices with less susceptibility to outliers. Our approach allows the user to make informed decisions and pricing adjustments as needed at any stage of the acquisition, reconditioning, and sales processes.

GitHub Repo: github.com/sheacon/used_car_pricing

Introduction

In the used car market, determining the final retail transaction price of vehicles is crucial for businesses to make informed decisions about which cars to acquire and at what price. At auction or trade-in, a business must be able to price many vehicles in a timely manner to keep profitable inventory stocked.

However, used cars are an idiosyncratic asset - no two are alike. Pricing them is a challenge, especially at scale. Although pricing algorithms are a common data science problem¹, our project introduces a unique approach that results in a far more useful product. Our model is differentiated by several key factors.

Most importantly, instead of using list price as the prediction target, we acquired true final transaction prices from the department of motor vehicles of several states. When a car is

purchased, the new owner must register for a title with their county or state government. The registration form requires disclosure of the sales price.

Predicting the price at which the vehicle sold after private negotiation is much more valuable than the prices listed online. Listing price is a poor analog for the true market value of the vehicle. In fact, listing data itself won't indicate whether the vehicle sold at all.

Extensive data collection resulted in a massive training set exclusive to this project. Our data partner MarketCheck provided dealer listings² for a five-year timespan for several states and allowed us to make academic use of what is normally a commercial product. This data included updates as a listing changed over time.

MarketCheck also supplemented these listings with greater detail about each vehicle. This

¹ [Kaggle Used Car Price Projects](#)

² [MarketCheck Automotive Data](#)

additional data included trim-level and vehicle-specific standardized features and add-ons. We were able to identify which features each vehicle had and whether it was included with its trim or optionally added.

With a more comprehensive dataset across several years and multiple states, we were able to identify deeper pricing patterns in modeling. While using a dataset that spanned time and location has advantages for scale, it required appending local and macro economic features to control for these differences. These features also enable the model to generalize to new locations and changing market conditions over time.

While utilizing this comprehensive dataset with accurate pricing gave our used car pricing algorithm a competitive edge, we also implemented asymmetric tilted loss functions to target our model to arbitrary quantiles. Instead of predicting the mean, we produced models for the 30th, 40th, 50th (median), 60th, and 70th quantiles. For any vehicle, multiple price points are provided, giving the user an idea of the spread of possible retail selling prices. Targeting quantiles instead of the mean also made our model less susceptible to outliers in the training data.

Data Collection

Transaction Price Data

Cars are an expensive purchase for consumers, and used cars have no agreed-upon valuation. The final transaction price at a used car dealership is usually the result of a private negotiation and unavailable. However, our project exploited the fact that sales price must be included on motor vehicle title registrations, and title registrations are public records, available upon request. Official request forms and persistence are required to gain access to these records, but it is possible. See Appendix A for examples of state title registrations forms.

We prioritized the five states with the most automobile registrations³ - California, Texas,

Florida, New York, and Ohio - for data collection to maximize return on time spent. We also included Tennessee, as the location of Vanderbilt University, for good measure. Freedom of Information Act style legislation in each state allowed for requests of these public records.

We requested all motor vehicle title registrations statewide from 2018 to 2022. Texas, Ohio, and Tennessee responded positively. An industry expert⁴ also highlighted Texas and Ohio as states with especially reliable DMV pricing data. We deduplicated records by industry-standard vehicle identification number (VIN), keeping the most recent. The number of unique VINs for used vehicles was 17.6m in Texas, 10.6m in Ohio, and 5.7m in Tennessee.

Car Detail Data Collection

We put equal effort into acquiring quality features that described the vehicles. Title registrations rarely include more than make, model, year, and mileage. Therefore, we partnered with MarketCheck⁵, a market-wide online aggregator of dealership listings.

MarketCheck made available a five-year dataset for each of the three states where we had registrations. This listings data was 2.1Tb and 245m records. Since MarketCheck data is a comprehensive history of listing changes, there were many deduplicates by VIN. The unique VIN record count was 18.3m.

The records included information found on online listings from car dealerships, appended with known vehicle specifications based on VIN⁶ as well as proprietary features developed by MarketCheck.

Data Analysis

Deduplication and Matching

Due to this research project's limitations in big data processing infrastructure, we took a simplified approach for deduplication. We deduplicated VINs by keeping the latest record.

³ Highway Statistics Series, Table MV-1 (2020); US Department of Transportation

⁴ A vehicle transaction data broker at [Cross-Sell LLC](#)

⁵ [MarketCheck.com](#)

⁶ [VIN Decoder Data](#)

Since the data spans a five-year period, this process likely discarded information from multiple sales of the same vehicle. After this step, we matched MarketCheck vehicle listings to title registrations by VIN with a 71% match rate, leaving 13.1m records.

Data Cleaning and Subsetting

In this project, we removed data for three reasons. First, features critical to modeling were unreliable or unavailable (e.g. errant price data entry, mileage reporting exemption, and missing make/model). Second, the vehicle did not apply well to the business use case of the project. And third, matching between listing and registration records was not possible or inaccurate. These record removals finally resulted in 6.4m vehicles with high quality data.

We made business case exclusions to focus the model on priority pricing targets. We removed records that were not consumer cars or trucks, such as passenger vans or chassis cabs (trucks with no factory-installed bed). Vehicles more than twenty years old are considered vintage and can be licensed as an antique in many states⁷. We excluded these.

Prices over \$100,000 are not in the price range of most used car dealerships, so we dropped them. Low prices were not dropped because vehicles must be priced on the low end to avoid overpricing of junk cars. Losing an auction for bidding too low is a much smaller problem than winning an auction by bidding too high.

Specialty or extreme-luxury vehicles are not within the scope of this project. Therefore, we excluded make/model/trim combinations with fewer than 1,000 observations in the dataset. As a side effect, that makes each excluded make/model/trim incompatible with our algorithm, but it also avoids model fitting towards outlier vehicle types. Examples of exotic vehicles that are incompatible with our algorithm include: Ferrari LaFerrari Base, Maserati GranSport Victory 2, and Aston Martin Rapide AMR.

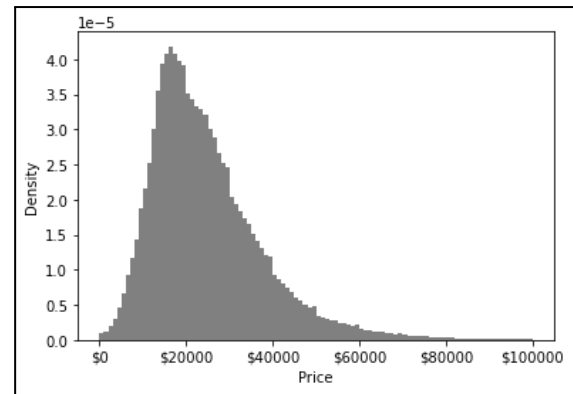


Figure 1: Vehicle Prices

Vehicle prices show an expected right skew. Mean and median prices are \$24,798 and \$22,200 respectively.

Exploratory Data Analysis

We reviewed key explanatory variables included in the listings data, such as model year, mileage, engine specifications, and fuel efficiency in univariate analysis for distribution sanity and outliers. We also conducted bivariate analyses to compare how the variables interacted.

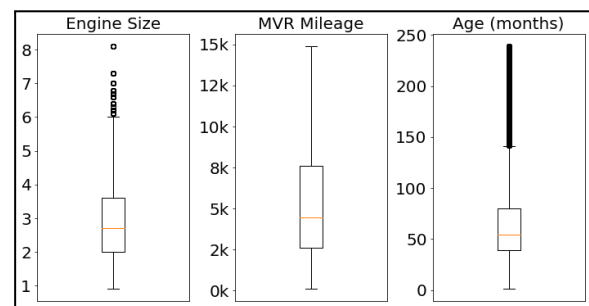


Figure 2: Core Feature Distributions

A selection of core features and their distributions.

Missing Data

We addressed missing data in various ways appropriate to the variable concerned. For simple flags, such as vehicle certification, we assumed a negative for missing values. For numeric variables, we imputed the median based on appropriate groupings, such as make/model. For categorical variables, we imputed the mode by similar groupings. We took care to avoid data leakage in imputation between the training set and validation or test sets.

⁷ [Wikipedia: Antique Vehicle Registration](#)

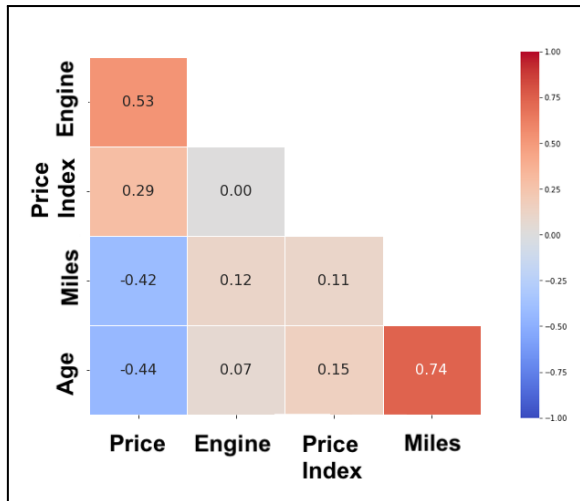


Figure 3: Correlation Plot

This plot shows correlations among important numeric features.

Feature Engineering

Feature engineering is the process of creating new features or transforming existing ones to better represent the underlying patterns in a dataset and improve the performance of our algorithm. By carefully crafting features, we captured more meaningful information from the data and built a more accurate and robust model. Good feature engineering also requires domain knowledge for considering supplemental data.

Simple Transformations

Some features were simple transformations or comparisons of existing variables. We computed vehicle age as the difference between model year and purchase date. We created monthly mileage to highlight the difference between vehicles that are driven a lot in a short period from those that are driven more sparingly but are older.

High Cardinality of Make / Model / Trim

The identification of the make, model, and trim of a vehicle includes a lot of information relevant to the consumer. Car makes (e.g. Ford, BMW, Toyota), models (e.g. Focus, 5 Series, Camry), and trims (e.g. SE, 540i, XLE) also come in many combinations. After discarding "rare" combinations, our dataset still included 1,229 unique make/model/trims.

Most algorithms do not perform well with high cardinality variables like this. After considering several approaches, we used target encoding to capture the information inherent in make/model/trim and convert it to a numeric value. Target encoding replaces each category with the mean value of the target for that category. For example, the encoding of a Ford Focus SE would be the average price for all Ford Focus SE's in the dataset.

The breadth of our dataset allowed us to apply target encoding reliably to a large number of make/model/trims. Once encoded, the other features of the dataset can be thought of as adjustments to this mean price.

Dimensionality of High Value Features (HVF)

One of the benefits of MarketCheck's proprietary dataset was the inclusion of their standardized High Value Features™. For each vehicle, standard and optional vehicle features were specified. See Appendix B for a list of all 82 HVFs. For example, the data indicated whether a vehicle had leather seats and if that comes standard or as an added option.

However, a binary encoding of each of these features introduced the curse of dimensionality to our modeling. Adding this many features to those already present made even our large dataset sparse for some combinations of features. Our solution was to use principal component analysis.

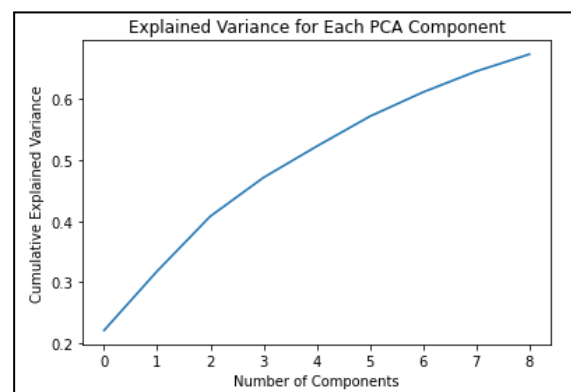


Figure 4: Principal Component Analysis

This graph shows the diminishing returns of variance capture for additional components.

Principal component analysis (PCA) is a dimensionality reduction technique that seeks to

preserve as much variance of the input variables as possible linearly in a lower dimensional representation. We reduced the 82 binary HVF indicators to 9 features.

Outside Data Augmentation

We used data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the U.S. Census to incorporate information about the macro economic environment and local demography. We appended these either by year and month or zip code. The statistics included population density, median income, median home value, used car price index, new car price index, gas price index, and consumer sentiment.

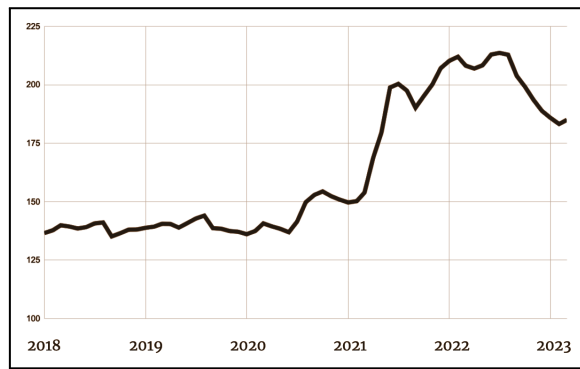


Figure 5: BLS Used Car and Truck Price Index

Prices have changed dramatically in recent years due to COVID-19, microchip supply-chain issues, and inflation in raw inputs. Alleviation of some issues is causing another major price shift.

As shown in Figure 5, used car prices have changed dramatically over the timeframe of this data, so having an index to account for price fluctuations for a given set of features was important. This also allows the algorithm to adjust to changing conditions in the future without retraining.

Unstructured Features

The dataset included unstructured text features in the listing options and seller comments, but their consideration was beyond the scope of the project. In another iteration of the model, we would like to extract meaningful information here.

Modeling

Models

We trained a baseline linear regression model to provide a floor for model performance. From there, modeling focused on training a gradient boosted tree ensemble from the CatBoost library. This algorithm expands on decision trees by creating an ensemble of trees that iteratively correct the errors of existing trees in the ensemble.

Loss Functions

A loss function quantifies the difference between the predicted output and the actual target values in a model. It serves as a metric for evaluating the performance of the model during the training process, which is designed to minimize loss. For this project, we utilized the lesser known tilted loss function to enhance the applicability of our model to the business use case.

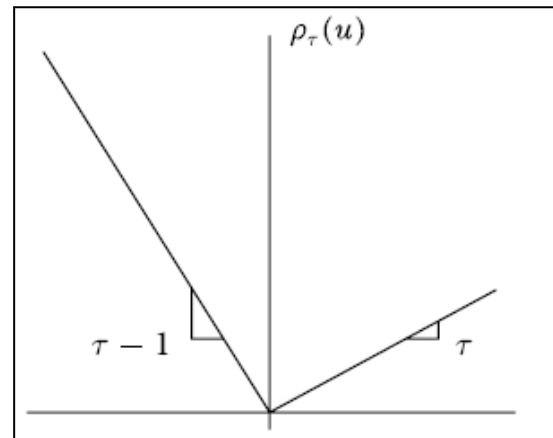


Figure 6: Tilted Loss

Tilted loss allows for asymmetric targeting in order to model different points in the prediction distribution.

The tilted loss function is asymmetric⁸, meaning it penalizes over- and under- predictions differently depending on the chosen parameters. In the context of used car pricing, a tilted loss results in quantiles that can provide a spread of predicted sales prices. This conveys the uncertainty in a prediction for a given set of features and allows the user to calibrate their price expectations.

⁸ Quantile loss $(y, y_{\text{pred}}) = \tau * \max(y - y_{\text{pred}}, 0) + (1 - \tau) * \max(y_{\text{pred}} - y, 0)$

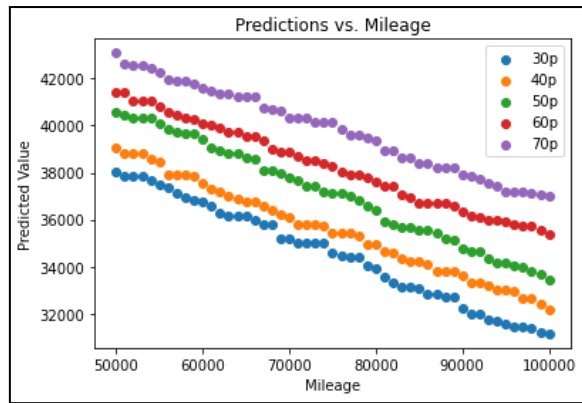


Figure 7: Quantile Regression

Training multiple models with different tilted loss functions enables quantile regression. The result is a spread of predicted values across selected quantiles for a given set of features.

Results

As expected, the gradient boosted tree ensemble algorithm outperformed the baseline linear model. In addition, we trained diagnostic models excluding different engineered features to assess their value.

Table 1: Comparison of model results on the validation dataset

| Model | R2 | MAE | MAPE |
|--------------------------------------|-------|---------|-------|
| Linear | 0.842 | \$3,511 | 19.6% |
| CatBoost without Target Encoding | 0.69 | \$4,749 | 23.2% |
| CatBoost without External Data | 0.871 | \$3,208 | 18.1% |
| CatBoost without High Value Features | 0.876 | \$3,116 | 17.7% |
| CatBoost Final | 0.894 | \$2,838 | 16.8% |

Finally, the CatBoost algorithm was fine-tuned with a hyperparameter grid search for optimal performance. This algorithm was then tested against the "golden holdout" test set. The final model generalized well, showing similar performance from validation to test.

Table 2: Final results on test set

| Model | R2 | MAE | MAPE |
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| CatBoost Final | 0.881 | \$3,074 | 18.4% |

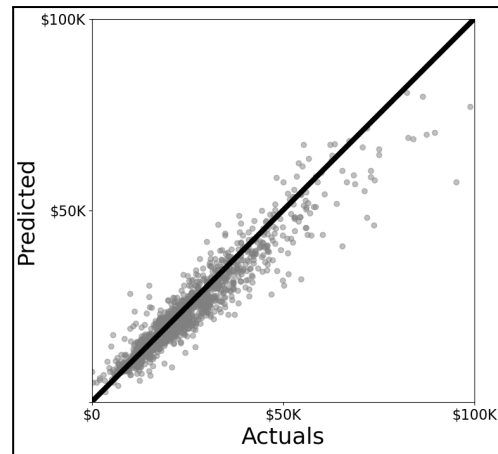


Figure 5: Predicted vs Actuals

This graph shows the accuracy of the model. Observations near the black line represent accurate pricing while deviations are less accurate. Below the line is underpricing.

Discussion

We were pleased with the results and think that this pricing algorithm, trained to target true retail transaction prices, makes a unique contribution to the subject.

When buying used cars at auction, it's essential to balance pricing strategy to minimize overpricing while ensuring enough auction wins to maintain inventory. If the model consistently underprices vehicles, vehicles that could have resulted in a profit are foregone. On the other side, worse, if the model consistently overprices vehicles, acquired vehicles can't be sold at a profit. Having a series of models that produces price quantile predictions provides insight and flexibility to the user.

With any model in production use, tracking model performance with new data is necessary. But, between retrainings and adjustments, quantile price predictions do allow for ad hoc changes in strategy for auction bidding and listing price.

Improvements

Due to processing limitations, we deduplicated and matched records in a less-than-optimal fashion that discarded useful data and possibly introduced errors. In future iterations, we would like to address this concern.


In addition, valuable information was not extracted from the unstructured text features in the data. Arbitrary listed options and seller comments reveal aspects of the vehicle that affect price and should be captured.

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| Signature(s) of Additional Applicant(s)/Owner(s) | | Printed Name(s) (Same as Signature(s)) | Date |

Appendix B: MarketCheck High Value Features

3rd Row Seats, 4-Wheel Steering, Adaptive Cruise Control, Android Auto, Anti Collision System, Apple CarPlay, Automatic Transmission, Autonomous Drive Functions, Aux Jack Input, Backup Camera, Biodiesel, Blind Spot System, Bluetooth, Brake Assist, CVT Transmission, Collision/Breakdown Telematics, Coming Home Device, Compressed Natural Gas, Concierge Services, Convertible Roof, Cruise Control, Diesel, Directional Headlights, Dual Rear Wheels, Dynamic Steering, Electric, Fog Lights, Gasoline, HDMI Connection, Hands Free Liftgate, Heads Up Display, Heated Door Locks, Heated Door Mirrors, Heated Seats, Heated/Cooled Seats, Hybrid, Keyless Entry/Locking, Keyless Start/Remote Engine Start, LPG, Lane Keep Assist, Leather Seats, Leatherette Seats, Long Pickup Bed, Manual Transmission, Massage Seats, Memory Mirrors, Memory Seats, Memory Steering Wheel Position, Mirrorlink, Navigation, Panoramic Sun/Moonroof, Parking Assistance, Parking Distance Sensors, Parking Radar, Parking distance system, Phone Integration, Pickup Bed Cover, Pickup Bed Extender, Pickup Bed Liner, Plug-in Hybrid, Power Closing Doors, Power Closing Liftgate, Premium Audio, Premium Cup Holders, Premium Wheels, Rear/Multi-Zone Air Conditioning, Regular Pickup Bed, Satellite Radio, Short Pickup Bed, Steering Wheel Controls, Sun/Moonroof, Touch Screen, Touch Screen Audio, Trailer Assist, Trailer Tow Mirrors, Turbo Boost, USB Connection, Video Entertainment, Voice Recognition, Voice Recognition, WiFi Hotspot, Wireless Charging/Connection