Final Project ML Regression Treatment Charges Prediction

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Data Description Section

Introduction

Today we will explore and work on a dataset dedicated to the cost of treatment of different patients. The cost of treatment depends on many factors: diagnosis, type of clinic, city of residence, age and so on. We have no data on the diagnosis of patients. But we have other information that can help us to make a conclusion about the health of patients and practice regression analysis to create a predictive model capable of predicting the charges of insurance depending on the patient features. In any case, I wish you to be healthy! Let's look at our data.

Dataset Description 01

	age	sex	bmi	children	smoker	region	charges
0	19	female	27.900	0	yes	southwest	16884.92400
1	18	male	33.770	1	no	southeast	1725.55230
2	28	male	33.000	3	no	southeast	4449.46200
3	33	male	22.705	0	no	northwest	21984.47061
4	32	male	28.880	0	no	northwest	3866.85520
5	31	female	25.740	0	no	southeast	3756.62160
6	46	female	33.440	1	no	southeast	8240.58960
7	37	female	27.740	3	no	northwest	7281.50560
8	37	male	29.830	2	no	northeast	6406.41070
9	60	female	25.840	0	no	northwest	28923.13692

Features:

- **age:** age of customer | patient
- **sex:** male-female
- **bmi:** body mass index
- **children:** number of children
- **Smoker:** smoking or not smoking
- **region:** residential area
- **charges:** treatment charges

Dataset Description 02

	age	bmi	children	charges
count	1338.000000	1338.000000	1338.000000	1338.000000
mean	39.207025	30.663397	1.094918	13270.422265
std	14.049960	6.098187	1.205493	12110.011237
min	18.000000	15.960000	0.000000	1121.873900
25%	27.000000	26.296250	0.000000	4740.287150
50%	39.000000	30.400000	1.000000	9382.033000
75%	51.000000	34.693750	2.000000	16639.912515
max	64.000000	53.130000	5.000000	63770.428010

Mean:
Age : 39
Bmi : 30.6
Children: 1
Charges : 13270$

Min:
Age : 18
Bmi : 15.96
Children: 0
Charges : 1121.87$

Max:
Age : 64
Bmi : 53.13
Children: 5
Charges : 63770.43$

Dataset Description 03

```
data.isnull().sum()

age          0
sex          0
bmi          0
children     0
smoker       0
region       0
charges      0
dtype: int64
```

Great, there is **no missing values** within our features !

Data Analysis Section

Main Objective of the analysis:

In this section I am showing the correlation between features to find the most influence feature on our target which is insurance charges.

Furthermore, I am studying the normality of the features through techniques such as square root, Log Transformation, Box cox Transformation

After that I am building different regression models based on advanced techniques such as GridSearch , ML pipelines, and Hyperparameters tuning to get the best predictive model in terms of accuracy and to sho what are the flaws of each model.

Data Analysis & Cleaning 01

- Converting categorical features into numerical features

	age	sex	bmi	children	smoker	region	charges
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3	33	1	22.705	0	0	1	21984.47061
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8	37	1	29.830	2	0	0	6406.41070
9	60	0	25.840	0	0	1	28923.13692

Data Analysis & Cleaning 02

- Studying the correlations between features using Heat Map!


```
charges        1.000000
smoker         0.787251
age            0.299008
bmi            0.198341
children       0.067998
sex            0.057292
region        -0.006208
Name: charges, dtype: float64
```

We can notice that the strongest correlation is between "smoker" feature and our target "charges". Where the feature does not affect our target at all is "region" which will be dropped from our dataset

Determining Normality 01

Making our target variable normally distributed often will lead to better results
If our target is not normally distributed, we can apply a transformation to it and then fit our regression to predict the transformed values.

How can we tell if our target is normally distributed? There are two ways:
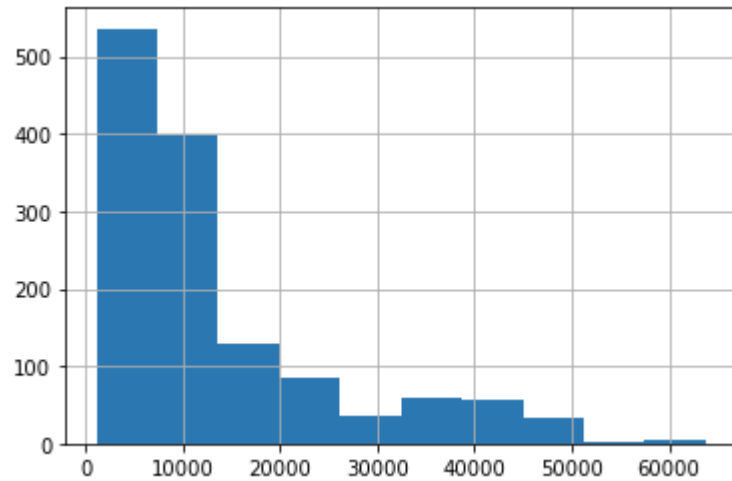
1- checking the visual distribution of the data.

2- calculating the P-value.
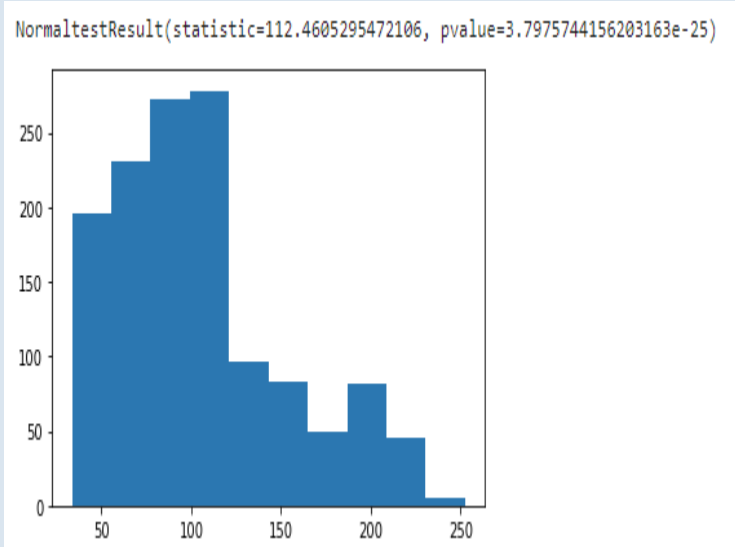
Determining Normality 02

Normality Visualization

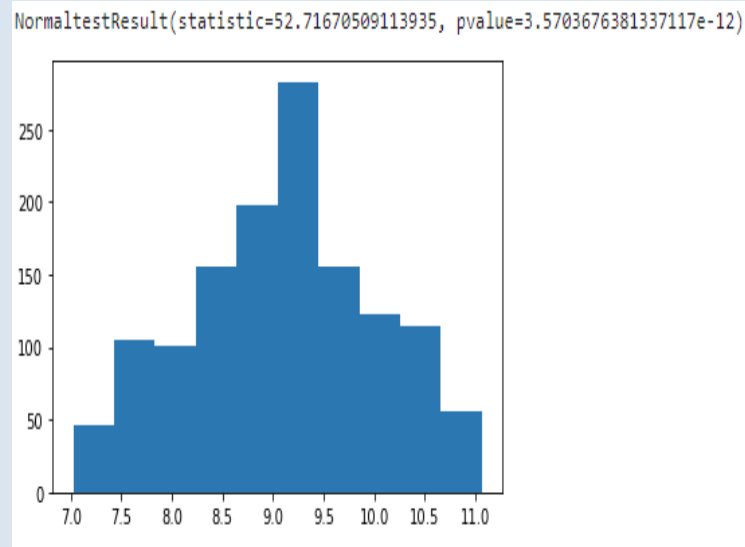**Normal test Result**

statistic = 336.8851220567733

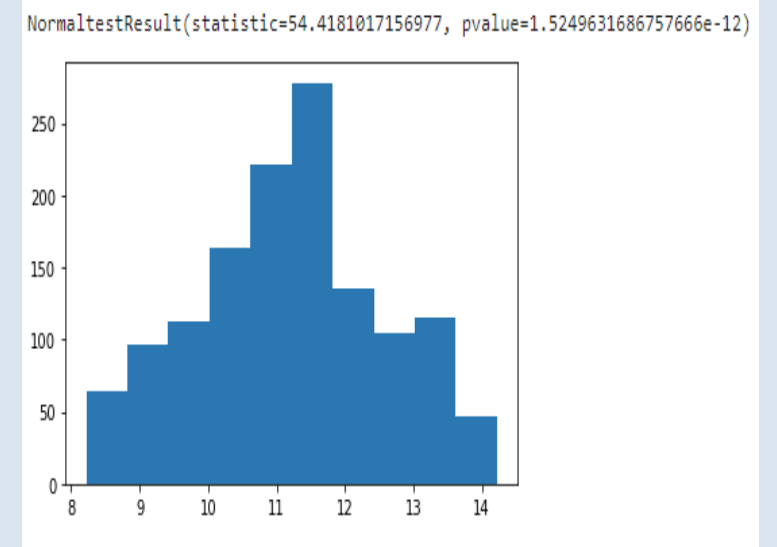p-value = 7.019807901276e-74

Determining Normality 03

Square root

NormaltestResult(statistic=112.46052954722106, pvalue=3.7975744156203163e-25)

Log Transformation

NormaltestResult(statistic=52.71670509113935, pvalue=3.5703676381337117e-12)

Box cox Transformation

NormaltestResult(statistic=54.4181017156977, pvalue=1.5249631686757666e-12)

As shown in the table on the right there is no big difference between log & Box Cox transformations so for the sake of simplicity, we can go with Log transformation! To make our target distribution more normalized!

	Transormation	P-value
0	Square-Root	3.797574e-25
1	Log	3.570368e-12
2	Box Cox	1.524963e-12

Machine Learning Analysis & Findings

Machine Learning Analysis & Findings

In the following analysis will compare between 4 different regression models Vanilla, Lasso, Ridge, and ElasticNet in terms to their accuracy in predicting the charges of treatment for patients. Where I am going to use the following techniques to help me in developing robust models:

Standard scaling, Polynomial effects, Regularization regression, cross-validation method, Grid Search, metric measurements such RMS and R2 Score.
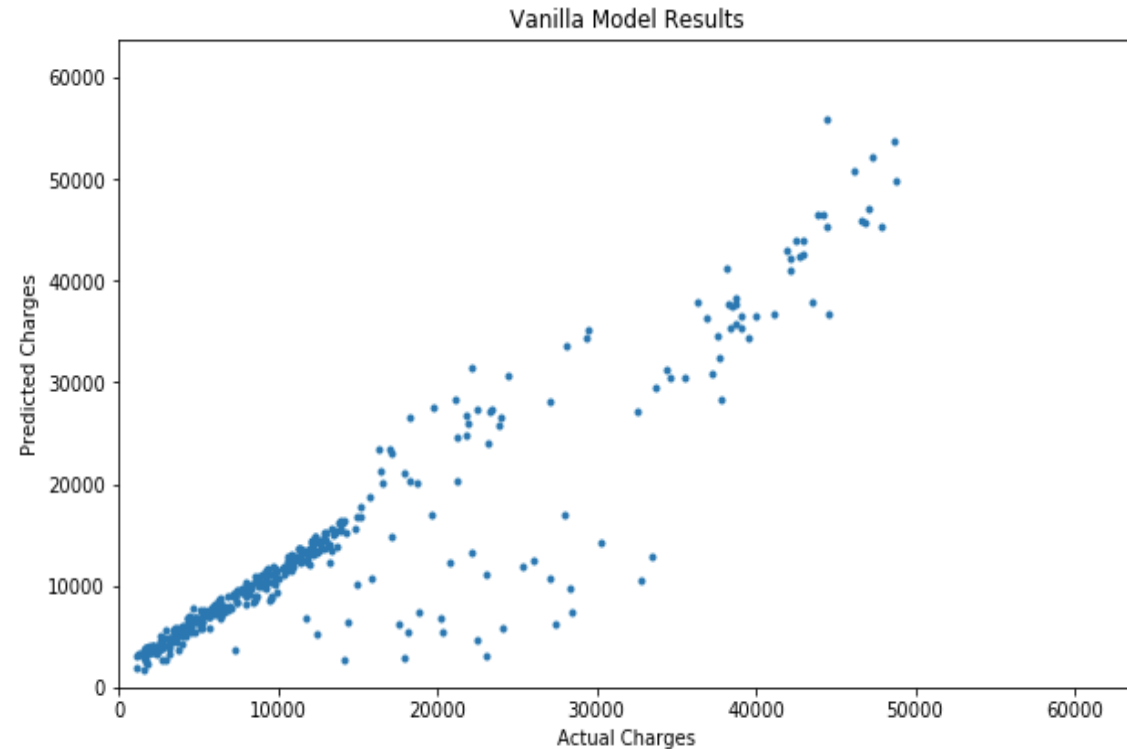
Machine Learning Analysis 01

Vanilla Regression Model:

Model Features and Parameters:

- Model = LinearRegression()
- Polynomial Features degree = 2
- Standard Scalar

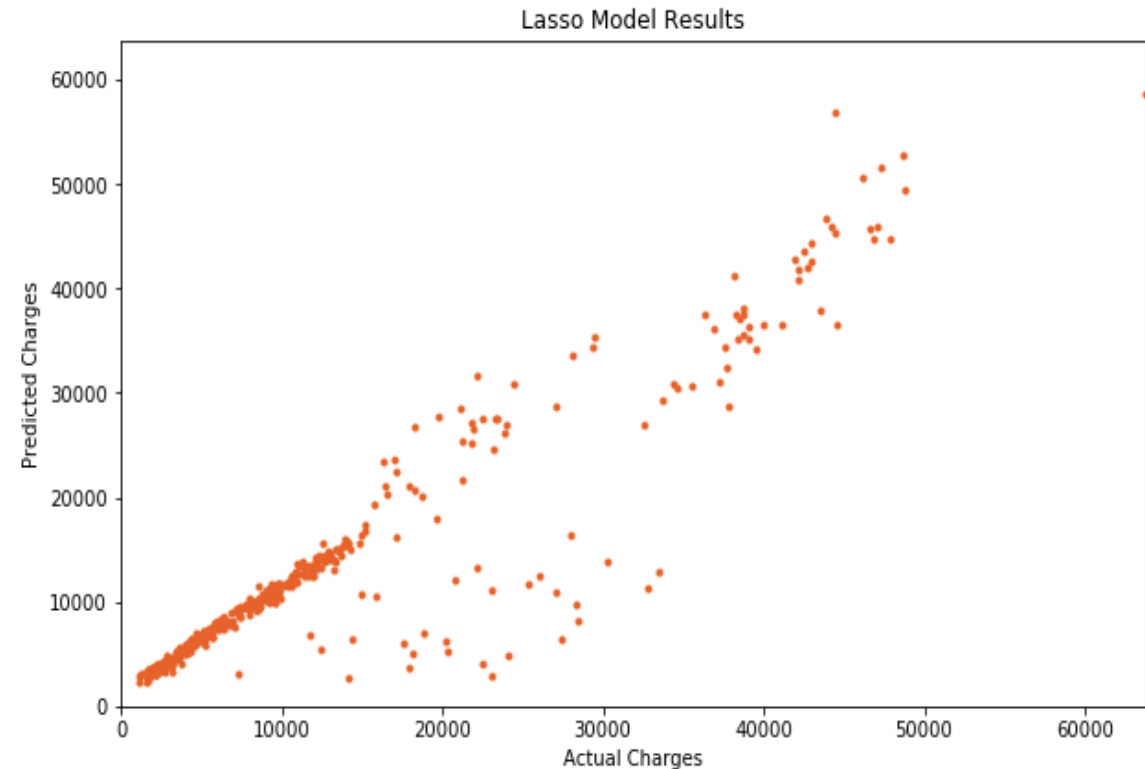| RMS_score	R2_Score
4496.560110896	0.862102995

Vanilla Model Results

Machine Learning Analysis 02

Lasso Regression Model:

Model Features and Parameters:

- Model = Lasso()
- Polynomial Features degree = 2
- Standard Scalar
- Alpha = 13.7454
- max_iter = 10000

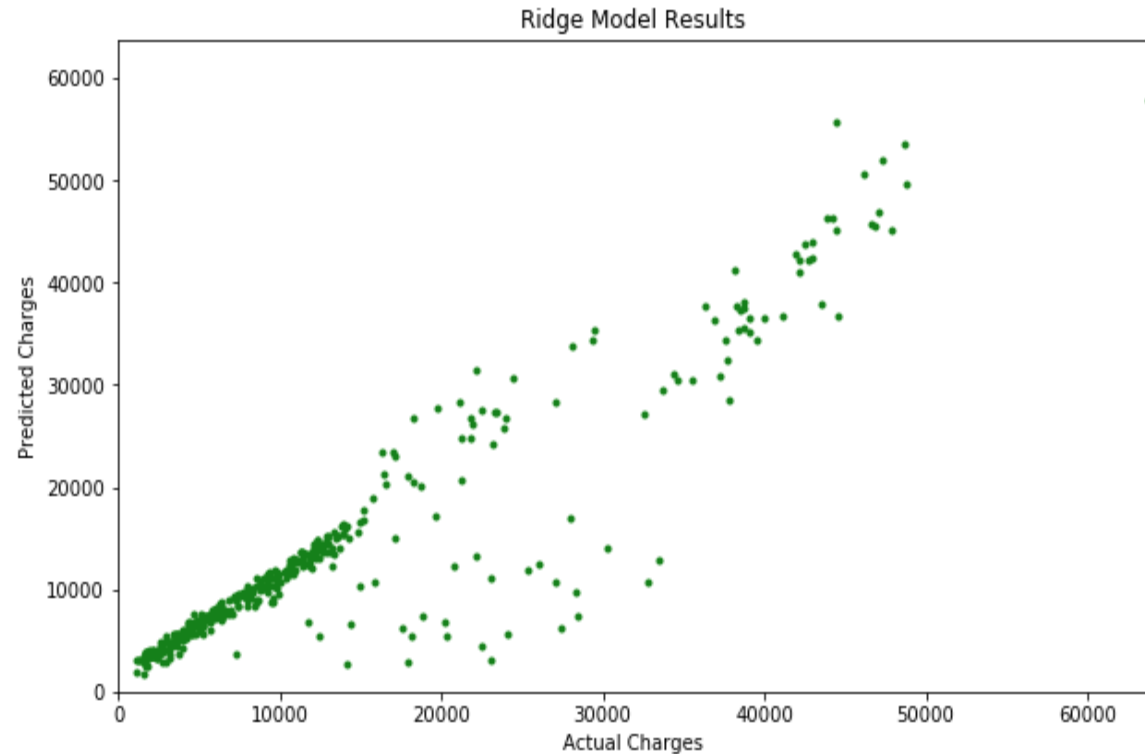| RMS_score	R2_Score
4496.577651935	0.862101919

Lasso Model Results

Machine Learning Analysis 03

Ridge Regression Model:

Model Features and Parameters:

- Model = Ridge()
- Polynomial Features degree = 2
- Standard Scalar
- Alpha = 0.55974
- max_iter = 10000

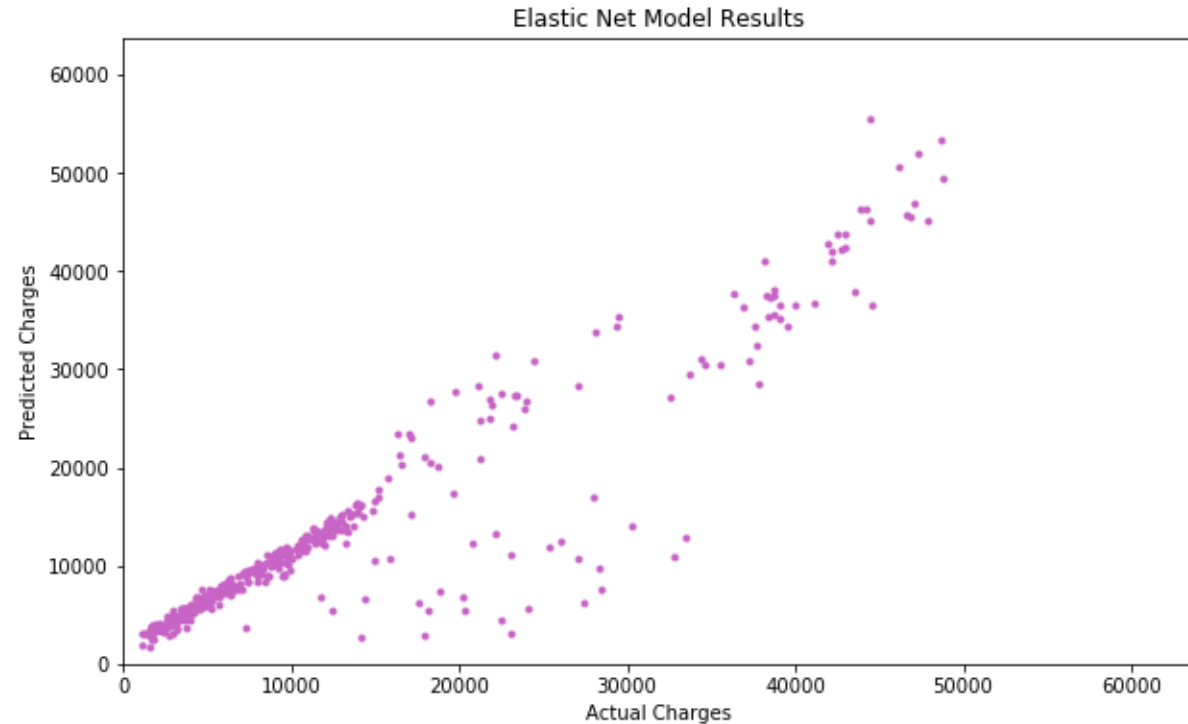| RMS_score	R2_Score
4494.682979659	0.862218104

Ridge Model Results

Machine Learning Analysis 04

ElasticNet Regression Model:

Model Features and Parameters:

- Model = ElasticNet()
- Polynomial Features degree = 2
- Standard Scalar
- Alpha = 0.008111
- L1 ratio = 0.9
- max_iter = 10000

RMS_score	R2_Score
4494.417700642	0.862218104

Elastic Net Model Results

Machine Learning Analysis 05

Models Comparison

	RMSE	R2
Linear	4496.560111	0.862103
Lasso	4496.577652	0.862102
Ridge	4494.682980	0.862218
ElasticNet	4494.417701	0.862234

As shown in the data frame all the models provide very good prediction results and these results are so close to each other, But at the end we must choose one model for our dataset and this depends on the highest result.

Below I ordered the models descending:

1- ElasticNet
2- Ridge
3- Vanilla Linear
4- Lasso

Machine Learning Analysis 06

Adding regularization terms:

Let's add regularization terms to our models and check how this will affect our results!

	RMSE	R2	RMSE-SGD	R2-SGD
Linear	4496.560111	0.862103	4540.863842	0.859372
Lasso	4496.577652	0.862102	4533.386800	0.859835
Ridge	4494.682980	0.862218	4527.088149	0.860224
ElasticNet	4494.417701	0.862234	4525.848464	0.860301

As shown above we ended up with worst results ☹ so we can be satisfied with old models and Choose Elastic Net as highest accuracy model in terms of prediction the charges of treatment.

Models flaws and strengths and advanced steps

Machine Learning Analysis 07

Models Flaws and Strength and further suggestions:

In terms of simplicity, we can say vanilla linear regression provided high predictive results and the simplest and fastest Model in terms of parameters but if we look to other models Lasso, Ridge and ElasticNet they provided higher results but in they were more complex and slower since when we used grid search technique to search about best fitting parameters, they took longer time so at the end it is a tradeoff if we have bigger dataset then the performance will be higher with these models, but the training process will take a longer time where if we choose vanilla model will relatively sacrifice by some accuracy but the training process will be much faster.

Thank you

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