

BigMart Sale Prediction using Machine Learning

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Abstract:- The sales forecast is based on Big Mart sales for various outlets to adjust the business model to expected outcomes. The resulting data can then be used to prediction potential sales volumes for retailers such as Big Mart through various machine learning methods. The estimate of the system proposed should take account of price tag, outlet and outlet location. A number of networks use the various machine- learning algorithms, such as linear regression and decision tree algorithms, and XGBoost regressor, which offers an efficient prevision of Big Mart sales based on gradient. At last, hyperparameter tuning is used to help you to choose relevant hyperparameters that make the algorithm Shine and produce the highest accuracy.

I. INTRODUCTION

Every item is tracked for its shopping centers and Big Mart in order to anticipate a future demand of the customer and also improve the management of its inventory. Big Mart is an immense network of shops virtually all over the world. Trends in Big Mart are very relevant and data scientists evaluate those trends per product and store in order to create potential centers. Using the machine to forecast the transactions of Big Mart helps data scientists to test the various patterns by store and product to achieve the correct results. Many companies rely heavily on the knowledge base and need market patterns to be forecasted. Each shopping center or store endeavors to give the individual and present moment proprietor to draw in more clients relying upon the day, with the goal that the business volume for everything can be evaluated for organization stock administration, logistics and transportation administration, and so forth. To address the issue of deals expectation of things dependent on client's future requests in various Big Mart across different areas diverse Machine Learning algorithms like Linear Regression, Random Forest, Decision Tree, Ridge Regression, XGBoost are utilized for gauging of deals volume. Deals foresee the outcome as deals rely upon the sort of store, populace around the store, a city wherein the store is located i.e., it is possible that it is in an urban zone or country. Population statistics around the store also affect sales, and the capacity of the store and many more things should be considered. Because every business has strong demand, sales forecasts play a significant part in a retail center. A stronger prediction is always helpful in developing and enhancing corporate market strategies, which also help to increase awareness of the market.

II. MACHINE LEARNING

The data available is increasing day by day and such a huge amount of unprocessed data is needed to be analyzed precisely, as it can give very informative and finely pure gradient results as per current standard requirements. It is not wrong to say as with the evolution of Artificial Intelligence (AI) over the past two decades, Machine Learning (ML) is also on a fast pace for its evolution. ML is an important mainstay of IT sector and with that, a rather central, albeit usually hidden, part of our life . As the technology progresses, the analysis and understanding of data to give good results will also increase as the data is very useful in current aspects. IN machine learning, one deals with both supervised and unsupervised types of tasks and generally a classification type problem accounts as a resource for knowledge discovery. It generates resources and employs regression to make precise predictions about future, the main emphasis being laid on making a system self-efficient, to be able to do computations and analysis to generate much accurate and precise results . By using statistic and probabilistic tools, data can be converted into knowledge. The statistical inferencing uses sampling distributions as a conceptual key .

Linear Regression: - It is a parametric technique which is used to predict a continuous or dependent variable on basis of a provided set of independent variables. This technique is said to be parametric as different assumptions are made on basis of dataset.

III. RELATED WORK

In today's competitive market, every company want to be in the competition. The sale prediction is good idea for a company to analyze the sale of product.

. Nikita Malik [1] has discussed about sale prediction using machine learning. She used Machine learning algorithm (linear regression, Random Forest etc.). She has done analysis on few products and established some correlation between product and store. The accuracy is between 70% to 80%.

. Aditi Narkhede [2] has collected dataset of BigMart and has used ML algorithm to find RMSE value. She has done some calculation to find RMSE value and is quite easy to use. She made calculation look easy to use.

. Rajendra Pamula [3] has discussed about flow chart diagram to make us understand things easily. Here he used Machine learning and data mining as well. The accuracy is

between 50 to 60%. He used some complex calculation to get the output which is not easy to understand.

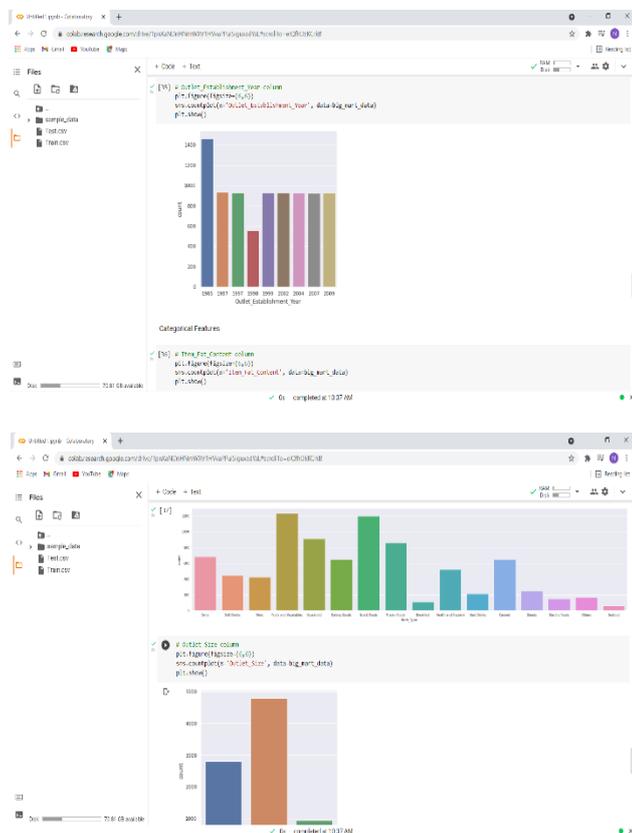
. Saju Mohanan [4] has used data mining techniques and machine learning algorithm for sale prediction. He used decision tree and generalized linear model for prediction. The accuracy of the model is between 60 to 70%. He also has drawn system architecture to make thing simple but the output is in very complex form.

. Pavan Chatradi [5] has discussed about sale prediction using ML and xgboost technique. Here he has followed steps like Data cleaning, Data transformation, Data reduction. The accuracy of this method is above 80%. But the method and result shown are in complex form. Here steps involved in forecasting are

Dataset -> Data Exploration -> Data Cleaning -> Feature Engineering -> Model Building -> Model Testing -> Result.

IV. RESULTS

Some of the output on the basis of my team’s code are following:-



NOVELTY/PROBLEM JUSTIFICATION

- Restricted User
- Dataset of product to be used.
- Volume x, Issue y, Month - 2016**
- Different role for customer and employee
- Better Security
- Dataset of product to be updated regularly.
- Google form provided for customer.

V. CONCLUSION

Experts also shown that a smart sales forecasting program is required to manage vast volumes of data for business organizations. Business assessments are based on the speed and precision of the methods used to analyze the results. The Machine Learning Methods presented in this research paper should provide an effective method for data shaping and decision-making. New approaches that can better identify consumer needs and formulate marketing plans will be implemented. The outcome of machine learning algorithms will help to select the most suitable demand prediction algorithm and with the aid of which Big Mart will prepare its marketing campaigns.

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