

Stacks

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Outline

In today's class, we will...

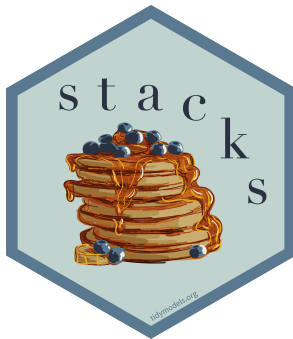
- Discuss `stacks` package for implementing ensemble learning with `tidymodels`

Section 1

Intro to stacks

What is stacks?

stacks is an R package for ensemble learning compatible with the `tidymodels` framework, developed by Simon Couch and Max Kuhn.



General Procedure

- 1 Define candidate models using the `tidymodels` framework (`rsample`, `parsnip`, `workflow`, `recipe`, `tune`)
- 2 Initialize a `data_stack` object with `stacks()`
- 3 Iteratively add candidate ensemble members to the `data_stack` using `add_candidates()`
- 4 Evaluate how to combine their predictions with `blend_predictions()`
- 5 Fit candidate ensemble members with non-zero stacking coefficients with `fit_members()`
- 6 Predict on new data using `predict()`

Our House

The house data contains information on 30 predictors for 200 houses in Ames, Iowa

We perform data preprocessing using a recipe

```
set.seed(1221)
data_split <- initial_split(house , prop = 3/4)
train_data <- training(data_split)
test_data <- testing(data_split)

folds <- vfold_cv(train_data, v = 10)

ctrl_grid <- control_stack_grid()
ctrl_res <- control_stack_resamples()

house_rec <-
  recipe(SalePrice ~ ., data = train_data) %>%
  update_role(Id, new_role = "ID") %>%
  step_log(LotArea, base = 10) %>%
  step_mutate(TotalBath = FullBath+0.5*HalfBath) %>%
  step_rm(FullBath, HalfBath) %>%
  step_dummy(all_nominal(), -all_outcomes()) %>%
  step_zv(all_predictors()) %>%
  step_normalize(all_numeric(), -all_outcomes())
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We'll also need to determine how to weight each individual model in our final ensemble:

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Now we tune and fit

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  resamples = folds,  
  grid = 4,  
  control = ctrl_grid  
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lm_fit <- lm_wf %>%  
  fit_resamples(  
    resamples = folds,  
    control = ctrl_res  
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Model Comparisons

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collect_metrics(knn_fit)
```

```
## # A tibble: 8 x 7
##   k .metric .estimator   mean     n  std_err .config
##   <int> <chr> <chr>       <dbl> <int> <dbl> <fct>
## 1 2 rmse  standard  44103.    10  4132.  Preprocessor1_Model1
## 2 2 rsq   standard    0.683    10  0.0458 Preprocessor1_Model1
## 3 5 rmse  standard  36729.    10  3073.  Preprocessor1_Model2
## 4 5 rsq   standard    0.746    10  0.0441 Preprocessor1_Model2
## 5 8 rmse  standard  34887.    10  2693.  Preprocessor1_Model3
## 6 8 rsq   standard    0.772    10  0.0405 Preprocessor1_Model3
## 7 12 rmse standard  34744.    10  2685.  Preprocessor1_Model4
## 8 12 rsq  standard    0.778    10  0.0378 Preprocessor1_Model4
```

```
collect_metrics(lm_fit)
```

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 6
##   .metric .estimator   mean     n  std_err .config
##   <chr> <chr>       <dbl> <int> <dbl> <fct>
## 1 rmse  standard  28946.    10  2139.  Preprocessor1_Model1
## 2 rsq   standard    0.846    10  0.0180 Preprocessor1_Model1
```

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```

Assemble the stack

Initialize a data stack using `stacks()` and add models using `add_candidates()`

```
house_st <- stacks() %>%  
  add_candidates(knn_fit) %>%  
  add_candidates(lm_fit) %>%  
  add_candidates(rf_fit)
```

```
house_st
```

```
## # A data stack with 3 model definitions and 6 candidate members:  
## #   knn_fit: 4 model configurations  
## #   lm_fit: 1 model configuration  
## #   rf_fit: 1 model configuration  
## # Outcome: SalePrice (integer)
```

View the results

```
as_tibble(house_st)
```

```
## # A tibble: 150 x 7
##   SalePrice knn_fit_1_1 knn_fit_1_2 knn_fit_1_3 knn_fit_1_4 lm_fit_1_1
##   <int>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>
## 1   181500    160653.    160634.    161194.    162951.    184738.
## 2   223500    211218.    213342.    211898.    216205.    224672.
## 3   200000    203409.    211608.    209698.    208085.    261875.
## 4   149000    190914.    170669.    162758.    156798.    183815.
## 5   154000    132612.    137469.    138698.    142545.    161986.
## 6   134800    150763.    135536.    132409.    132958.    118624.
## 7   306000    202576.    227097.    229373.    227532.    256144.
## 8   144000    121566.    128493.    132799.    134461.    142724.
## 9   177000    386937.    312231.    282935.    262879.    258805.
## 10  385000    396401.    309550.    282696.    256982.    338928.
## # ... with 140 more rows, and 1 more variable: rf_fit_1_1 <dbl>
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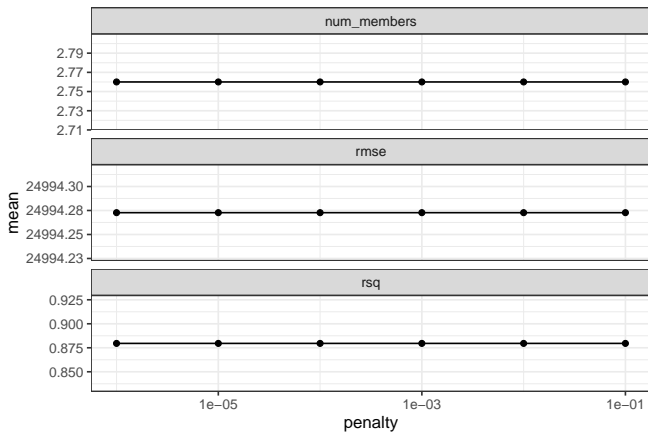
Which models did we keep?

```
house_st_blend
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 3
##   member      type      weight
##   <chr>      <chr>      <dbl>
## 1 rf_fit_1_1  rand_forest 0.813
## 2 lm_fit_1_1  linear_reg   0.303
## 3 knn_fit_1_3 nearest_neighbor 0.00415
```

Plots

How do results vary depending on LASSO penalty?



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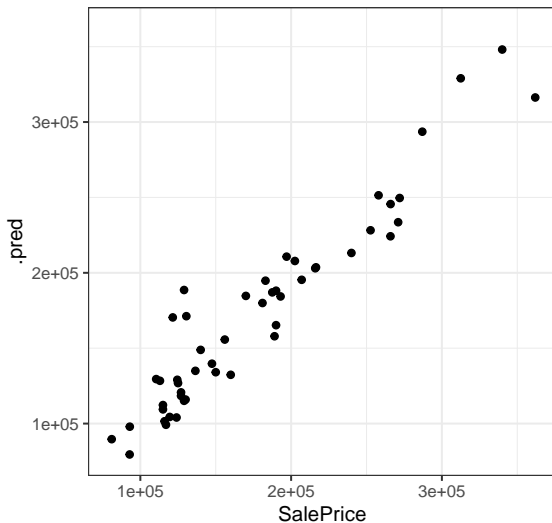
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```

And predict with new data

```
house_preds<- test_data %>% bind_cols(predict(house_en_fit, .))
```

Results

How did we do?



Comparison

How does the ensemble compare to its constituents?

```
member_preds <- house_preds %>% select(SalePrice) %>%  
  bind_cols(predict(house_en_fit, test_data, members = T))  
  
map_dfr(member_preds, rmse, truth = SalePrice, data = member_preds) %>%  
  mutate(member = colnames(member_preds))
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 4  
##   .metric .estimator .estimate member  
##   <chr>   <chr>         <dbl> <chr>  
## 1 rmse    standard           0   SalePrice  
## 2 rmse    standard    20947. .pred  
## 3 rmse    standard    37456. knn_fit_1_3  
## 4 rmse    standard    24410. lm_fit_1_1  
## 5 rmse    standard    25437. rf_fit_1_1
```