Housing Sale Regression model

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0.1 Regression Models for Housing Sales Dataset

1 Dataset Description

For this project I am using the Housing Price dataset that can be obtained from https://www.kaggle.com/c/house-prices-advanced-regression-techniques/data. If we ask a home buyer to describe their dream house, and they probably won't begin with the height of the basement ceiling or the proximity to an east-west railroad. But this dataset proves that much more influences price negotiations than the number of bedrooms or a white-picket fence. With 79 explanatory variables describing (almost) every aspect of residential homes in Ames, Iowa this dataset allows the prediction of housing prices accurately.

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[39]:
              MSSubClass MSZoning LotFrontage LotArea Street Alley LotShape
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1	2007	WD		Normal		181500				
2	2008	WD		Normal		223500				
3	2006	WD		Abnorml		140000				
4	2008	WD		Normal		250000				

[5 rows x 81 columns]

[40]: data.shape

[40]: (1460, 81)

There are 81 columns and 1460 rows in this dataset. The columns refer to the attributes such as LotArea, LotShape, GarageArea, GrLiveArea, etc. As this is a large dataset most of the columns are provided as abrevations the features and their subnotations are provided below for reference:

MSSubClass: Identifies the type of dwelling involved in the sale.

- 20 1-STORY 1946 & NEWER ALL STYLES
- 30 1-STORY 1945 & OLDER
- 40 1-STORY W/FINISHED ATTIC ALL AGES
- 45 1-1/2 STORY UNFINISHED ALL AGES
- 50 1-1/2 STORY FINISHED ALL AGES
- 60 2-STORY 1946 & NEWER
- 70 2-STORY 1945 & OLDER
- 75 2-1/2 STORY ALL AGES
- 80 SPLIT OR MULTI-LEVEL
- 85 SPLIT FOYER
- 90 DUPLEX ALL STYLES AND AGES
- 120 1-STORY PUD (Planned Unit Development) 1946 & NEWER
- 150 1-1/2 STORY PUD ALL AGES
- 160 2-STORY PUD 1946 & NEWER
- 180 PUD MULTILEVEL INCL SPLIT LEV/FOYER
- 190 2 FAMILY CONVERSION ALL STYLES AND AGES

MSZoning: Identifies the general zoning classification of the sale.

- A Agriculture
- C Commercial
- FV Floating Village Residential
- I Industrial
- RH Residential High Density
- RL Residential Low Density
- RP Residential Low Density Park
- RM Residential Medium Density

LotFrontage: Linear feet of street connected to property

LotArea: Lot size in square feet

Street: Type of road access to property

Grvl Gravel
Pave Paved

Alley: Type of alley access to property

Grvl Gravel
Pave Paved

NA No alley access

LotShape: General shape of property

Reg Regular

IR1 Slightly irregular

IR2 Moderately Irregular

IR3 Irregular

LandContour: Flatness of the property

Lvl Near Flat/Level

Bnk Banked - Quick and significant rise from street grade to building

HLS Hillside - Significant slope from side to side

Low Depression

Utilities: Type of utilities available

AllPub All public Utilities (E,G,W,&S)

NoSewr Electricity, Gas, and Water (Septic Tank)

NoSeWa Electricity and Gas Only

ELO Electricity only

LotConfig: Lot configuration

Inside Inside lot

Corner Corner lot

CulDSac Cul-de-sac

FR2 Frontage on 2 sides of property

FR3 Frontage on 3 sides of property

LandSlope: Slope of property

Gtl Gentle slope

Mod Moderate Slope

Sev Severe Slope

Neighborhood: Physical locations within Ames city limits

Blmngtn Bloomington Heights

Blueste Bluestem

BrDale Briardale

BrkSide Brookside

ClearCr Clear Creek

CollgCr College Creek

Crawfor Crawford

Edwards Edwards

Gilbert Gilbert

IDOTRR Iowa DOT and Rail Road

MeadowV Meadow Village

Mitchel Mitchell

Names North Ames

NoRidge Northridge

NPkVill Northpark Villa

NridgHt Northridge Heights

NWAmes Northwest Ames

OldTown Old Town

SWISU South & West of Iowa State University

Sawyer Sawyer

SawyerW Sawyer West

Somerst Somerset

StoneBr Stone Brook

Timber Timberland

Veenker Veenker

Condition1: Proximity to various conditions

Artery Adjacent to arterial street

Feedr Adjacent to feeder street

Norm Normal

RRNn Within 200' of North-South Railroad

RRAn Adjacent to North-South Railroad

PosN Near positive off-site feature--park, greenbelt, etc.

PosA Adjacent to postive off-site feature

RRNe Within 200' of East-West Railroad

RRAe Adjacent to East-West Railroad

Condition2: Proximity to various conditions (if more than one is present)

Artery Adjacent to arterial street

Feedr Adjacent to feeder street

Norm Normal

RRNn Within 200' of North-South Railroad

RRAn Adjacent to North-South Railroad

PosN Near positive off-site feature--park, greenbelt, etc.

PosA Adjacent to postive off-site feature

RRNe Within 200' of East-West Railroad

RRAe Adjacent to East-West Railroad

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BldgType: Type of dwelling
   1Fam Single-family Detached
            Two-family Conversion; originally built as one-family dwelling
  Duplx
            Duplex
  TwnhsE
            Townhouse End Unit
  TwnhsI
            Townhouse Inside Unit
HouseStyle: Style of dwelling
   1Story
            One story
  1.5Fin
           One and one-half story: 2nd level finished
  1.5Unf
            One and one-half story: 2nd level unfinished
  2Story Two story
           Two and one-half story: 2nd level finished
  2.5Fin
  2.5Unf
          Two and one-half story: 2nd level unfinished
  SFoyer
            Split Foyer
  SLvl Split Level
OverallQual: Rates the overall material and finish of the house
        Very Excellent
   9
       Excellent
  8
       Very Good
   7
        Good
   6
       Above Average
   5
       Average
   4
       Below Average
   3
       Fair
   2
       Poor
   1
       Very Poor
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OverallCond: Rates the overall condition of the house

- 10 Very Excellent
- 9 Excellent
- 8 Very Good
- 7 Good
- 6 Above Average
- 5 Average
- 4 Below Average
- 3 Fair
- 2 Poor
- 1 Very Poor

YearBuilt: Original construction date

YearRemodAdd: Remodel date (same as construction date if no remodeling or additions)

RoofStyle: Type of roof

Flat Flat

Gable Gable

Gambrel Gabrel (Barn)

Hip Hip

Mansard Mansard

Shed Shed

RoofMatl: Roof material

ClyTile Clay or Tile

CompShg Standard (Composite) Shingle

Membran Membrane Metal Metal

Roll Roll

Tar&Grv Gravel & Tar WdShake Wood Shakes WdShngl Wood Shingles

Exterior1st: Exterior covering on house

AsbShng Asbestos Shingles

AsphShn Asphalt Shingles

BrkComm Brick Common

BrkFace Brick Face

CBlock Cinder Block

CemntBd Cement Board

HdBoard Hard Board

ImStucc Imitation Stucco

MetalSd Metal Siding

Other Other

Plywood Plywood

PreCast PreCast

Stone Stone

Stucco Stucco

VinylSd Vinyl Siding

Wd Sdng Wood Siding

WdShing Wood Shingles

Exterior2nd: Exterior covering on house (if more than one material)

AsbShng Asbestos Shingles

AsphShn Asphalt Shingles

BrkComm Brick Common

BrkFace Brick Face

CBlock Cinder Block

CemntBd Cement Board

HdBoard Hard Board

ImStucc Imitation Stucco

MetalSd Metal Siding

Other Other

Plywood Plywood

PreCast PreCast

Stone Stone

Stucco Stucco

VinylSd Vinyl Siding

Wd Sdng Wood Siding

WdShing Wood Shingles

MasVnrType: Masonry veneer type

 ${\tt BrkCmn} \quad {\tt Brick \ Common}$

BrkFace Brick Face

CBlock Cinder Block

None None

Stone Stone

MasVnrArea: Masonry veneer area in square feet

ExterQual: Evaluates the quality of the material on the exterior

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Average/Typical

Fa Fair

Po Poor

ExterCond: Evaluates the present condition of the material on the exterior

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Average/Typical

Fa Fair

Po Poor

Foundation: Type of foundation

BrkTil Brick & Tile

CBlock Cinder Block

PConc Poured Contrete

Slab Slab

Stone Stone

Wood Wood

BsmtQual: Evaluates the height of the basement

Ex Excellent (100+ inches)

Gd Good (90-99 inches)

TA Typical (80-89 inches)

Fa Fair (70-79 inches)

Po Poor (<70 inches

NA No Basement

BsmtCond: Evaluates the general condition of the basement

- Ex Excellent
- Gd Good
- TA Typical slight dampness allowed
- Fa Fair dampness or some cracking or settling
- Po Poor Severe cracking, settling, or wetness
- NA No Basement

BsmtExposure: Refers to walkout or garden level walls

- Gd Good Exposure
- Av Average Exposure (split levels or foyers typically score average or above)
- Mn Mimimum Exposure
- No No Exposure
- NA No Basement

BsmtFinType1: Rating of basement finished area

- GLQ Good Living Quarters
- ALQ Average Living Quarters
- BLQ Below Average Living Quarters
- Rec Average Rec Room
- LwQ Low Quality
- Unf Unfinshed
- NA No Basement

BsmtFinSF1: Type 1 finished square feet

BsmtFinType2: Rating of basement finished area (if multiple types)

- GLQ Good Living Quarters
- ALQ Average Living Quarters
- BLQ Below Average Living Quarters
- Rec Average Rec Room
- LwQ Low Quality
- Unf Unfinshed
- NA No Basement

BsmtFinSF2: Type 2 finished square feet

BsmtUnfSF: Unfinished square feet of basement area

TotalBsmtSF: Total square feet of basement area

Heating: Type of heating

Floor Floor Furnace

GasA Gas forced warm air furnace

GasW Gas hot water or steam heat

Grav Gravity furnace

OthW Hot water or steam heat other than gas Wall Wall furnace

Heating QC: Heating quality and condition

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Average/Typical

Fa Fair

Po Poor

Central Air: Central air conditioning

N No

Y Yes

Electrical: Electrical system

SBrkr Standard Circuit Breakers & Romex

FuseA Fuse Box over 60 AMP and all Romex wiring (Average)

FuseF 60 AMP Fuse Box and mostly Romex wiring (Fair)

FuseP 60 AMP Fuse Box and mostly knob & tube wiring (poor)

Mix Mixed

1stFlrSF: First Floor square feet

2ndFlrSF: Second floor square feet

LowQualFinSF: Low quality finished square feet (all floors)

GrLivArea: Above grade (ground) living area square feet

BsmtFullBath: Basement full bathrooms

BsmtHalfBath: Basement half bathrooms

FullBath: Full bathrooms above grade

HalfBath: Half baths above grade

Bedroom: Bedrooms above grade (does NOT include basement bedrooms)

Kitchen: Kitchens above grade

Kitchen Qual: Kitchen quality

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Typical/Average

Fa Fair

Po Poor

TotRmsAbvGrd: Total rooms above grade (does not include bathrooms)

Functional: Home functionality (Assume typical unless deductions are warranted)

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Typ Typical Functionality
Min1 Minor Deductions 1
Min2 Minor Deductions 2
Mod Moderate Deductions
Maj1 Major Deductions 1
Maj2 Major Deductions 2
Sev Severely Damaged
Sal Salvage only
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Fireplaces: Number of fireplaces

FireplaceQu: Fireplace quality

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Ex Excellent - Exceptional Masonry Fireplace
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 ${\tt Gd} \quad {\tt Good - Masonry Fireplace in main level} \\$

TA Average - Prefabricated Fireplace in main living area or Masonry Fireplace in basement

Fa Fair - Prefabricated Fireplace in basement

Po Poor - Ben Franklin Stove

NA No Fireplace

Garage Type: Garage location

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2Types More than one type of garage
Attchd Attached to home
Basment Basement Garage
BuiltIn Built-In (Garage part of house - typically has room above garage)
CarPort Car Port
Detchd Detached from home
NA No Garage
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GarageYrBlt: Year garage was built

GarageFinish: Interior finish of the garage

Fin Finished RFn Rough Finished Unf Unfinished NA No Garage

GarageCars: Size of garage in car capacity

GarageArea: Size of garage in square feet

Garage Qual: Garage quality

Ex Excellent Gd Good

TA Typical/Average

Fa Fair

Po Poor

NA No Garage

GarageCond: Garage condition

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Typical/Average

Fa Fair

Po Poor

NA No Garage

PavedDrive: Paved driveway

Y Paved

P Partial Pavement

N Dirt/Gravel

WoodDeckSF: Wood deck area in square feet

OpenPorchSF: Open porch area in square feet

EnclosedPorch: Enclosed porch area in square feet

3SsnPorch: Three season porch area in square feet

ScreenPorch: Screen porch area in square feet

PoolArea: Pool area in square feet

PoolQC: Pool quality

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Average/Typical

Fa Fair

NA No Pool

Fence: Fence quality

 ${\tt GdPrv} \qquad {\tt Good\ Privacy}$

MnPrv Minimum Privacy

GdWo Good Wood

MnWw Minimum Wood/Wire

NA No Fence

MiscFeature: Miscellaneous feature not covered in other categories

Elev Elevator

Gar2 2nd Garage (if not described in garage section)

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Othr Other
Shed Shed (over 100 SF)
TenC Tennis Court
NA
     None
```

MiscVal: \$Value of miscellaneous feature

MoSold: Month Sold (MM) YrSold: Year Sold (YYYY)

SaleType: Type of sale

Oth Other

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Warranty Deed - Conventional
WD
     Warranty Deed - Cash
CWD
VWD
    Warranty Deed - VA Loan
     Home just constructed and sold
New
COD
     Court Officer Deed/Estate
Con Contract 15% Down payment regular terms
         Contract Low Down payment and low interest
ConLw
ConLI
         Contract Low Interest
         Contract Low Down
ConLD.
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SaleCondition: Condition of sale

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Normal
         Normal Sale
Abnorml Abnormal Sale - trade, foreclosure, short sale
AdjLand Adjoining Land Purchase
         Allocation - two linked properties with separate deeds, typically condo with a gard
Alloca
         Sale between family members
Family
Partial Home was not completed when last assessed (associated with New Homes)
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Exploring the data

An investigation of the dataset will determine the following: - total missing values - create a heatmap for correlation matrix of the data - density plot for SalePrice - scatterplot for SalePrice and GrLiveArea relation - scatterplot for SalePrice and TotalBsmtSF relation - boxplot for OverallQuality and SalePrice relation - pairplot for the above features

[41]: data.describe() [41]: Ιd MSSubClass LotFrontage LotArea OverallQual 1460.000000 1460.000000 1201.000000 1460.000000 1460.000000 count 730.500000 70.049958 10516.828082 mean 56.897260 6.099315 std 421.610009 42.300571 24.284752 9981.264932 1.382997 1.000000 20.000000 21.000000 1300.000000 1.000000 min 25% 365.750000 20.000000 59.000000 7553.500000 5.000000 50% 730.500000 50.000000 69.000000 9478.500000 6.000000

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[42]: total = data.isnull().sum().sort_values(ascending=False)

percent = (data.isnull().sum()/data.isnull().count()).

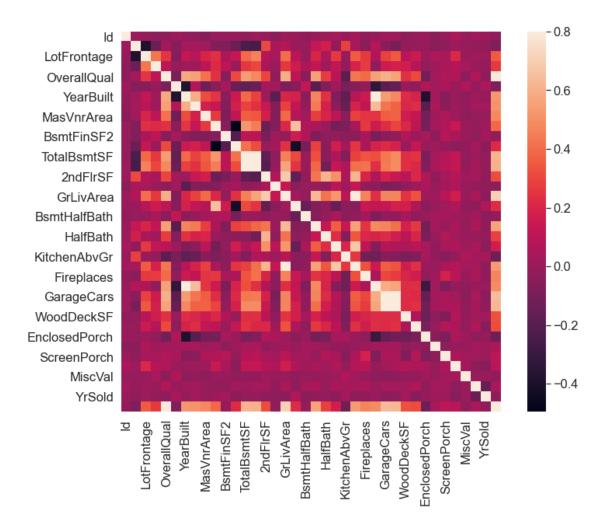
→sort_values(ascending=False)

missing_data = pd.concat([total, percent], axis=1, keys=['Total', 'Percent'])

missing_data.head(20) #missing_values
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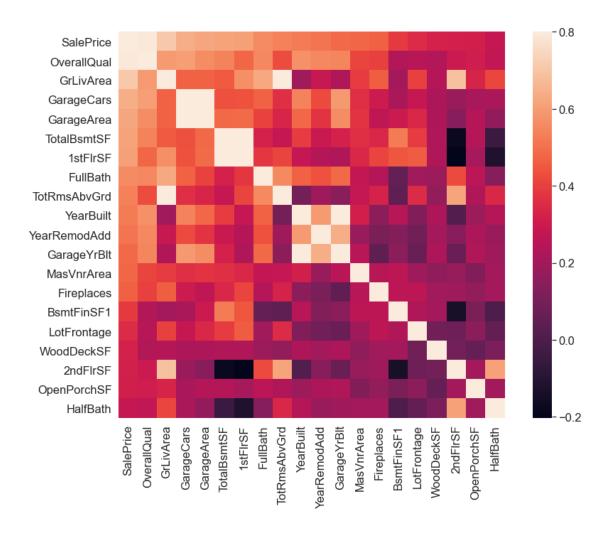
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[42]:
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      Alley
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                             0.937671
      Fence
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                             0.807534
      FireplaceQu
                       690
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      GarageQual
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     BsmtFinType2
                      38 0.026027
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                      38 0.026027
     BsmtQual
                      37 0.025342
     BsmtCond
                      37 0.025342
     BsmtFinType1
                      37 0.025342
     MasVnrArea
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     MasVnrType
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[43]: corrmat = data.corr()
      f, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 9))
      sns.heatmap(corrmat, vmax=.8, square=True); #heatmap for correlation matrix of \Box
      \rightarrow the data
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[44]: k = 20 #number of variables for heatmap cols = corrmat.nlargest(k, 'SalePrice')['SalePrice'].index #creates an array of the top 20 correlation value columns
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[45]: f, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(14, 10))
sns.heatmap(data[cols].corr(), vmax=.8, square=True); # heatmap of top 20
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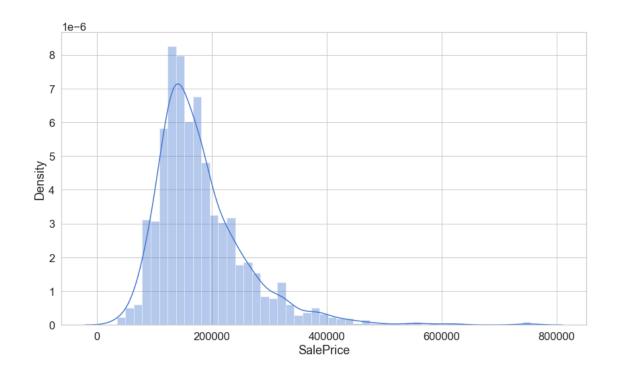
 $Density\ plot\ for\ SalePrice$

[46]: sns.distplot(data['SalePrice'])

C:\Users\insan\anaconda\lib\site-packages\seaborn\distributions.py:2557:
FutureWarning: `distplot` is a deprecated function and will be removed in a future version. Please adapt your code to use either `displot` (a figure-level function with similar flexibility) or `histplot` (an axes-level function for histograms).

warnings.warn(msg, FutureWarning)

[46]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='SalePrice', ylabel='Density'>



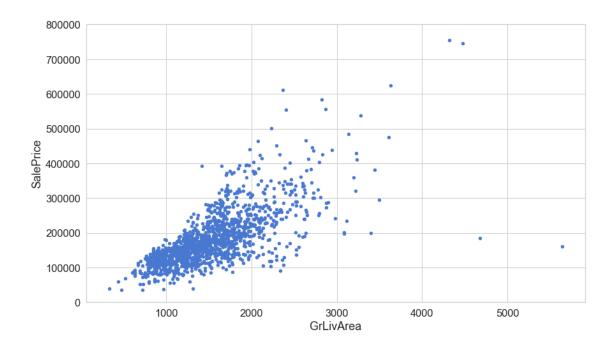
Here we can observe that the plot is skewed to one side. We shall correct this in Feature engineering section

Scatterplot for SalePrice and GrLiveArea relation

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[47]: df = pd.concat([data['SalePrice'], data["GrLivArea"]], axis=1)
df.plot.scatter(x="GrLivArea", y='SalePrice', ylim=(0,800000))
```

c argument looks like a single numeric RGB or RGBA sequence, which should be avoided as value-mapping will have precedence in case its length matches with *x* & *y*. Please use the *color* keyword-argument or provide a 2-D array with a single row if you intend to specify the same RGB or RGBA value for all points.

[47]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='GrLivArea', ylabel='SalePrice'>

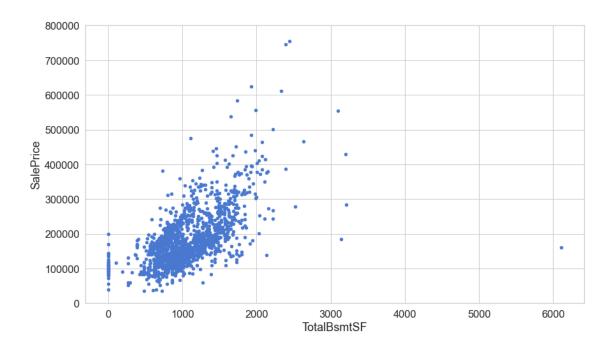


A linear relation can be observed. A few outliers are visible in the far right but it was observed for this data removing the outliers dosent help in the model.

 $Scatterplot\ for\ SalePrice\ and\ TotalBsmtSF\ relation$

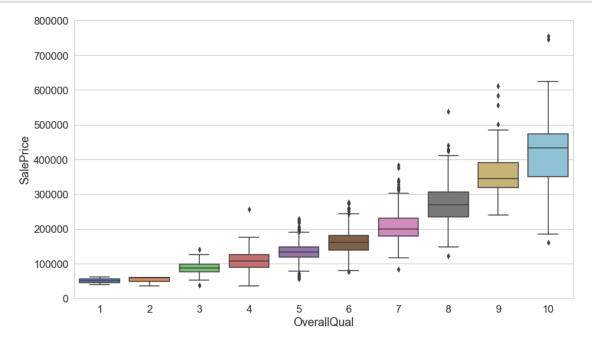
```
[48]: var = 'TotalBsmtSF'
df = pd.concat([data['SalePrice'], data[var]], axis=1)
df.plot.scatter(x=var, y='SalePrice', ylim=(0,800000));
```

c argument looks like a single numeric RGB or RGBA sequence, which should be avoided as value-mapping will have precedence in case its length matches with *x* & *y*. Please use the *color* keyword-argument or provide a 2-D array with a single row if you intend to specify the same RGB or RGBA value for all points.



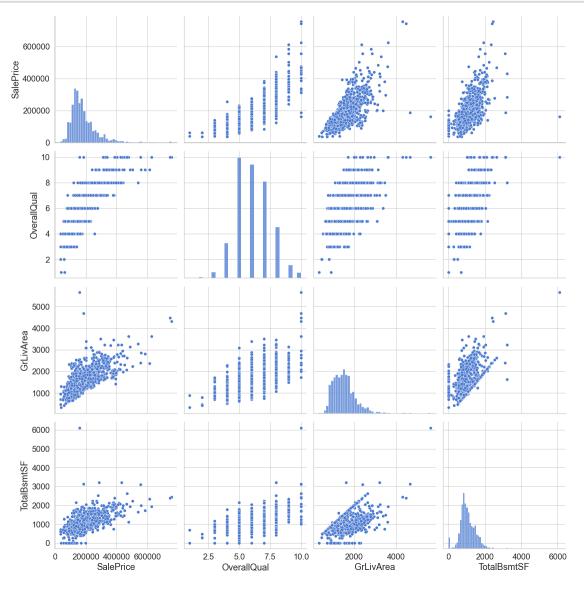
Here again a linear relation can be observed between SalePrice and TotalBsmtSF Boxplot for OverallQuality and SalePrice relation

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[49]: var = 'OverallQual'
df = pd.concat([data['SalePrice'], data[var]], axis=1)
f, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(14, 8))
fig = sns.boxplot(x=var, y="SalePrice", data=df)
fig.axis(ymin=0, ymax=8000000);
```



It can be observed that there is a clear increase in Saleprice with respect to the Overall Quality Value.

Pairplot for the above features



3 Featureset engineering and preparing the data

• creating a smaller dataframe for model training with non null values

- correcting right skew of 'SalePrice' column
- create new feature

Smaller dataframe for model training with non null values

```
[51]: df= data[['OverallQual', 'GrLivArea', 'GarageCars', 'GarageArea',
               'TotalBsmtSF', '1stFlrSF', 'FullBath', 'TotRmsAbvGrd', 'YearBuilt',
               'YearRemodAdd', 'Fireplaces', 'BsmtFinSF1',
               'WoodDeckSF', '2ndFlrSF', 'OpenPorchSF', 'HalfBath', 'SalePrice']]
      df
[51]:
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[1460 rows x 17 columns]

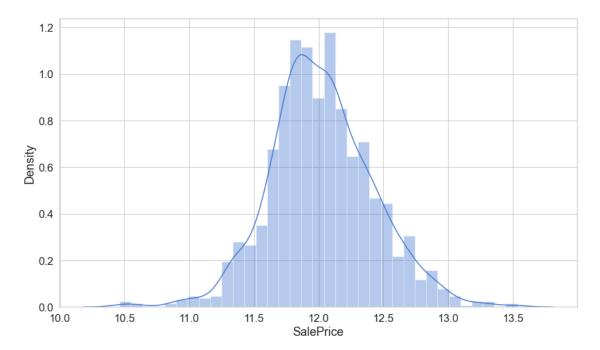
Checking and correcting the skewness of 'SalePrice' column

```
[52]: log_sale_price = np.log(df['SalePrice'])
sns.distplot(log_sale_price)
```

C:\Users\insan\anaconda\lib\site-packages\seaborn\distributions.py:2557:
FutureWarning: `distplot` is a deprecated function and will be removed in a future version. Please adapt your code to use either `displot` (a figure-level function with similar flexibility) or `histplot` (an axes-level function for histograms).

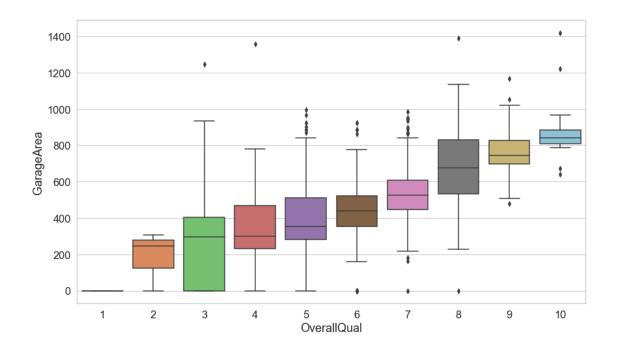
warnings.warn(msg, FutureWarning)

[52]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='SalePrice', ylabel='Density'>



Here we can observe that the skewness is corrected hence we can update the column Ploting the relation between Overall Quality value and GarageArea

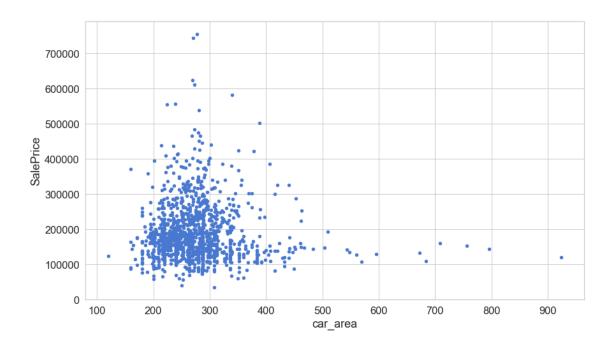
```
[53]: var = 'OverallQual'
df2 = pd.concat([df['GarageArea'], df[var]], axis=1)
f, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(14, 8))
fig = sns.boxplot(x=var, y="GarageArea", data=df2)
```



Creating a new feature which gives the garage area per car

```
[54]: df['car_area']=df['GarageArea']/df['GarageCars']
[55]:
     df['car_area']
[55]: 0
              274.000000
              230.000000
      1
      2
              304.000000
      3
              214.000000
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              278.666667
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              230.000000
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              250.000000
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              240.000000
      1459
              276.000000
      Name: car_area, Length: 1460, dtype: float64
[56]: var = 'car_area'
      df2 = pd.concat([df['SalePrice'], df[var]], axis=1)
      df2.plot.scatter(x=var, y='SalePrice');
```

c argument looks like a single numeric RGB or RGBA sequence, which should be avoided as value-mapping will have precedence in case its length matches with *x* & *y*. Please use the *color* keyword-argument or provide a 2-D array with a single row if you intend to specify the same RGB or RGBA value for all points.



4 One hot encoding

in this section we will one hot encode the catogarical type features(columns)

```
[57]: # Get a Pd. Series consisting of all the string categoricals
      one_hot_encode_cols = data.dtypes[data.dtypes == object] # filtering by string_
       \rightarrow categoricals
      one_hot_encode_cols = one_hot_encode_cols.index.tolist() # list of categorical_
       \hookrightarrow fields
      # Here we see another way of one-hot-encoding:
      # Encode these columns as categoricals so one hot encoding works on split data_
       \hookrightarrow (if desired)
      for col in one_hot_encode_cols:
          data[col] = pd.Categorical(data[col])
      # Do the one hot encoding
      data = pd.get_dummies(data, columns=one_hot_encode_cols)
[58]: data.shape
[58]: (1460, 290)
[59]: total = data.isnull().sum().sort values(ascending=False)
      percent = (data.isnull().sum()/data.isnull().count()).
       →sort_values(ascending=False)
```

```
missing_data = pd.concat([total, percent], axis=1, keys=['Total', 'Percent'])
missing_data.head(20)
```

```
[59]:
                      Total
                              Percent
     LotFrontage
                        259 0.177397
     GarageYrBlt
                         81 0.055479
     MasVnrArea
                          8 0.005479
     Ιd
                          0.000000
     BsmtExposure_Av
                          0 0.000000
     BsmtFinType1_GLQ
                          0.000000
     BsmtFinType1_BLQ
                          0 0.000000
     BsmtFinType1_ALQ
                          0.000000
     BsmtExposure_No
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     BsmtExposure_Mn
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     BsmtExposure_Gd
                          0.000000
     BsmtCond_TA
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     BsmtFinType1_Rec
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     BsmtCond Po
                          0.000000
     BsmtCond_Gd
                          0 0.000000
     BsmtCond Fa
                          0.000000
     BsmtQual TA
                          0.000000
     BsmtQual Gd
                          0.000000
     BsmtQual_Fa
                          0.000000
     BsmtFinType1_LwQ
                          0 0.000000
[60]: data["LotFrontage"].fillna(data["LotFrontage"].mean(), inplace = True)
```

```
[60]: data["LotFrontage"].fillna(data["LotFrontage"].mean(), inplace = True)
data = data.dropna(axis = 0)
```

Next, split the data in train and test data sets.

```
[61]: from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
train, test = train_test_split(data, test_size=0.3, random_state=42)
```

There are a number of columns that have skewed features—a log transformation can be applied to them. Note that this includes the SalePrice, our predictor. However, let's keep that one as is.

```
[62]: # Create a list of float colums to check for skewing
mask = data.dtypes == float
float_cols = data.columns[mask]
```

```
.query('abs(Skew) > {0}'.format(skew_limit)))
      skew_cols
[63]:
                       Skew
     LotFrontage 3.025243
     MasVnrArea
                   2.573758
[64]: # Mute the setting with a copy warnings
      pd.options.mode.chained_assignment = None
      for col in skew_cols.index.tolist():
          if col == "SalePrice":
              continue
          train[col] = np.log1p(train[col])
          test[col] = test[col].apply(np.log1p) # same thing
[65]: feature_cols = [x for x in train.columns if x != 'SalePrice']
      X_train = train[feature_cols]
      y_train = train['SalePrice']
      X_test = test[feature_cols]
```

5 Model testing

y_test = test['SalePrice']

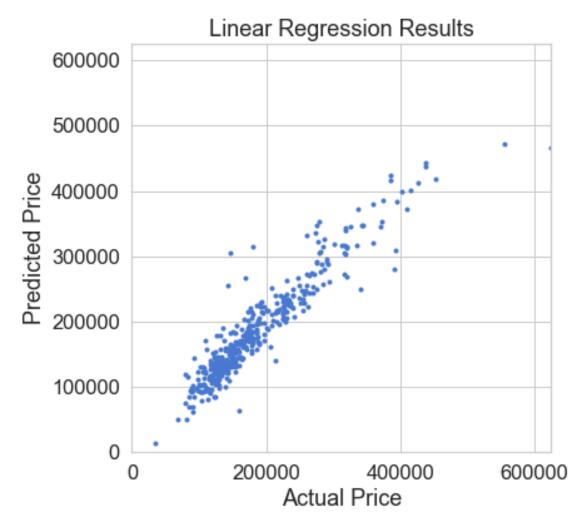
```
[66]: from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error

def rmse(ytrue, ypredicted):
    return np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(ytrue, ypredicted))
```

- Fit a basic linear regression model
- print the root-mean-squared error for this model
- plot the predicted vs actual sale price based on the model.

```
[67]: from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
    linearRegression = LinearRegression().fit(X_train, y_train)
    linearRegression_rmse = rmse(y_test, linearRegression.predict(X_test))
    print(linearRegression_rmse)
```

65126.24245777501



Ridge regression uses L2 normalization to reduce the magnitude of the coefficients. This can be helpful in situations where there is high variance. The regularization functions in Scikit-learn each

contain versions that have cross-validation built in.

Fit a regular (non-cross validated) Ridge model to a range of values and plot the RMSE using the cross validated error function you created above.

Then repeat the fitting of the Ridge models using the range of values from the prior section. Compare the results. Now for the RidgeCV method. It's not possible to get the alpha values for the models that weren't selected, unfortunately. The resulting error values and values are very similar to those obtained above

10.0 28403.778242654047

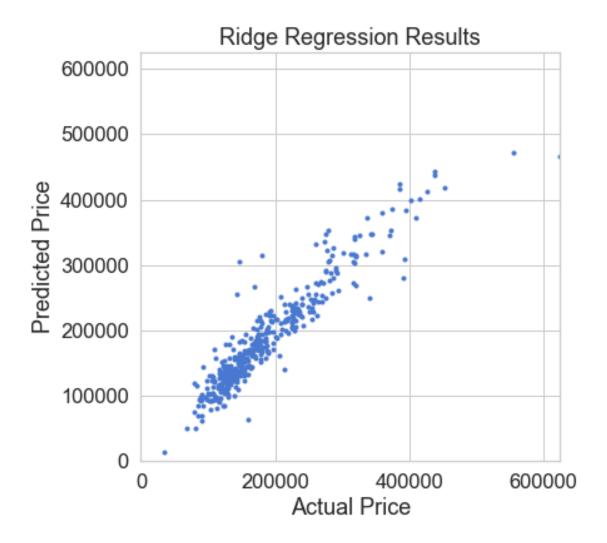
```
[70]: rmse_vals = [linearRegression_rmse, ridgeCV_rmse]

labels = ['Linear', 'Ridge']

rmse_df = pd.Series(rmse_vals, index=labels).to_frame()
rmse_df.rename(columns={0: 'RMSE'}, inplace=1)
rmse_df
```

```
[70]: RMSE
Linear 65126.242458
Ridge 28403.778243
```

We can also make a plot of actual vs predicted housing prices as before.



6 Next Steps

- One of the most important inputs to housing sale price prediction is the average value of a purticular location i.e average price per area. Such features could improve the model prediction while using this dataset for training.
- Gathering data on the nearby aminities such as distance to a hospital, school, bank etc. can help better determine SalePrice.
- Fitting and Testing LASSO and Elastic Net models to look for improved performance