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# REAL ESTATE DATA ANALYSIS PROJECT

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## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The project aims to assist the real estate agents in King County to address the need for precise house price estimation by developing a robust predictive model. To achieve this, we will undertake in-depth analysis of the real estate data provided, which includes historical sales, current listings, property attributes, and other relevant features. The goal of the analysis is to find the most influential factors driving house prices and ascertain their correlation with each other.

## BUSINESS PROBLEM

In this real estate market, estimation of house prices accurately is vital for home owners that is both buyers and sellers. Achieving this goal depends heavily on identifying and understanding the key factors influencing house prices. If these factors are not well taken into consideration, stakeholders may have a hard time in making sound decisions leading to potential losses to both parties.

## DATA UNDERSTANDING

This project will make use of data from King County Housing Dataset. The Dataset has 21597 entries and 21 columns, one of them being the price column which is the target variable while the rest will be used to make predictions. The dataset contains categorical and numerical columns, with data types of integers, objects, and floats.

## DATA PREPARATION AND CLEANING

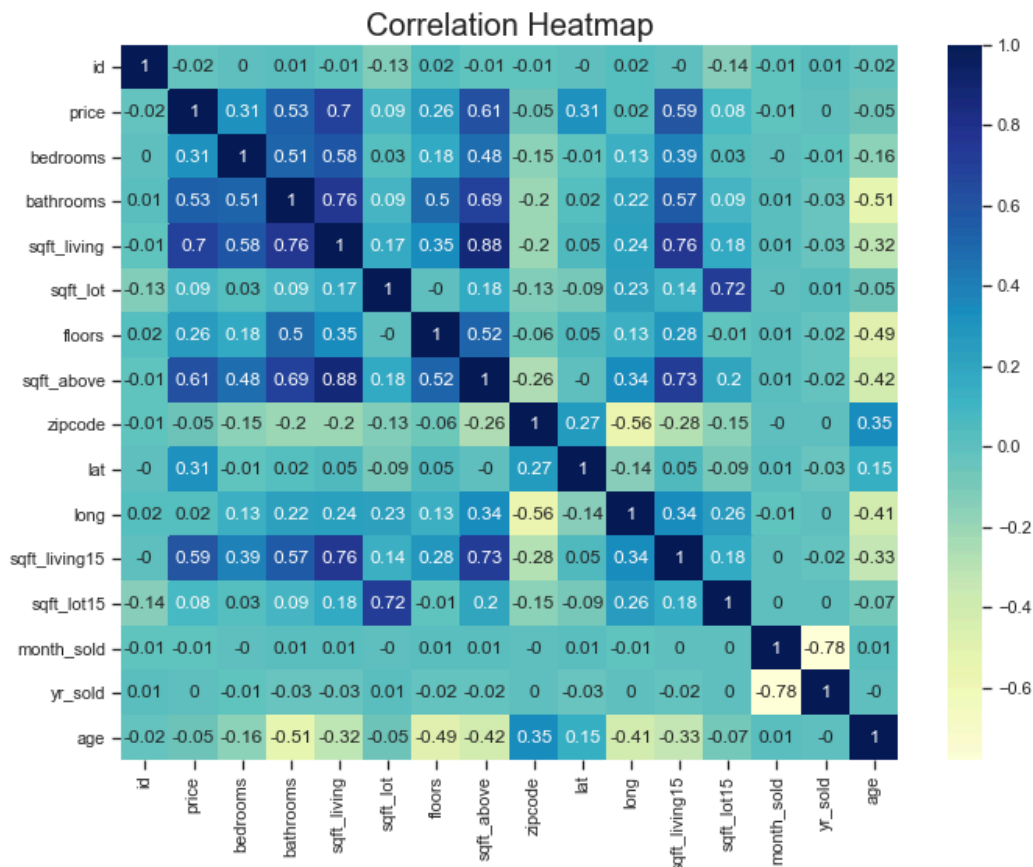
This is marked by importing relevant libraries such as pandas, seaborn, matplotlib, statsmodel and scipy to be used in cleaning, analysis and modelling. Dataset is then loaded using pd as we observe our columns to understand the independent variables to analyse with the price. Most of the columns are numerical making it suitable for regression analysis.

Data cleaning involves checking for validity, accuracy, completeness, consistency and uniformity of data. We will drop id and date column since there is no use for it, check for null values and replace them and also fill the missing values.

## DATA VISUALIZATION

Before performing modelling, visualization is done to analyse some of the trends in the data. A Correlation Heat Map will be created to identify the variables that most correlates with the target variable-Price. This is also used to check for multicollinearity of features.

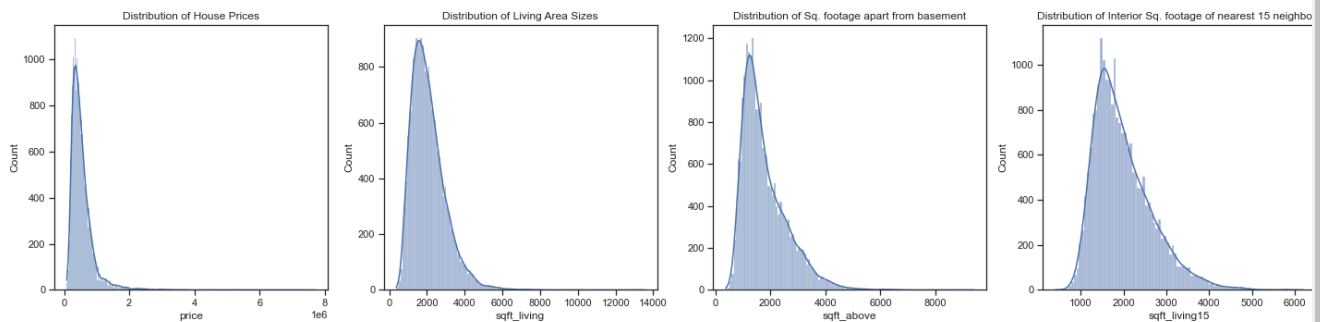
*HeatMap*



From the above HeatMap, there are relatively strong positive correlations between price and sqft\_living at 0.7, sqft\_above at 0.61, sqft\_living15 at 0.59 and number of bathrooms at 0.53. The weakest inverse correlations were between price and zipcode and age at -0.05, and month sold at -0.01.

### Histograms

This will be used to explore the distribution of variables with the strongest positive relationships with price.



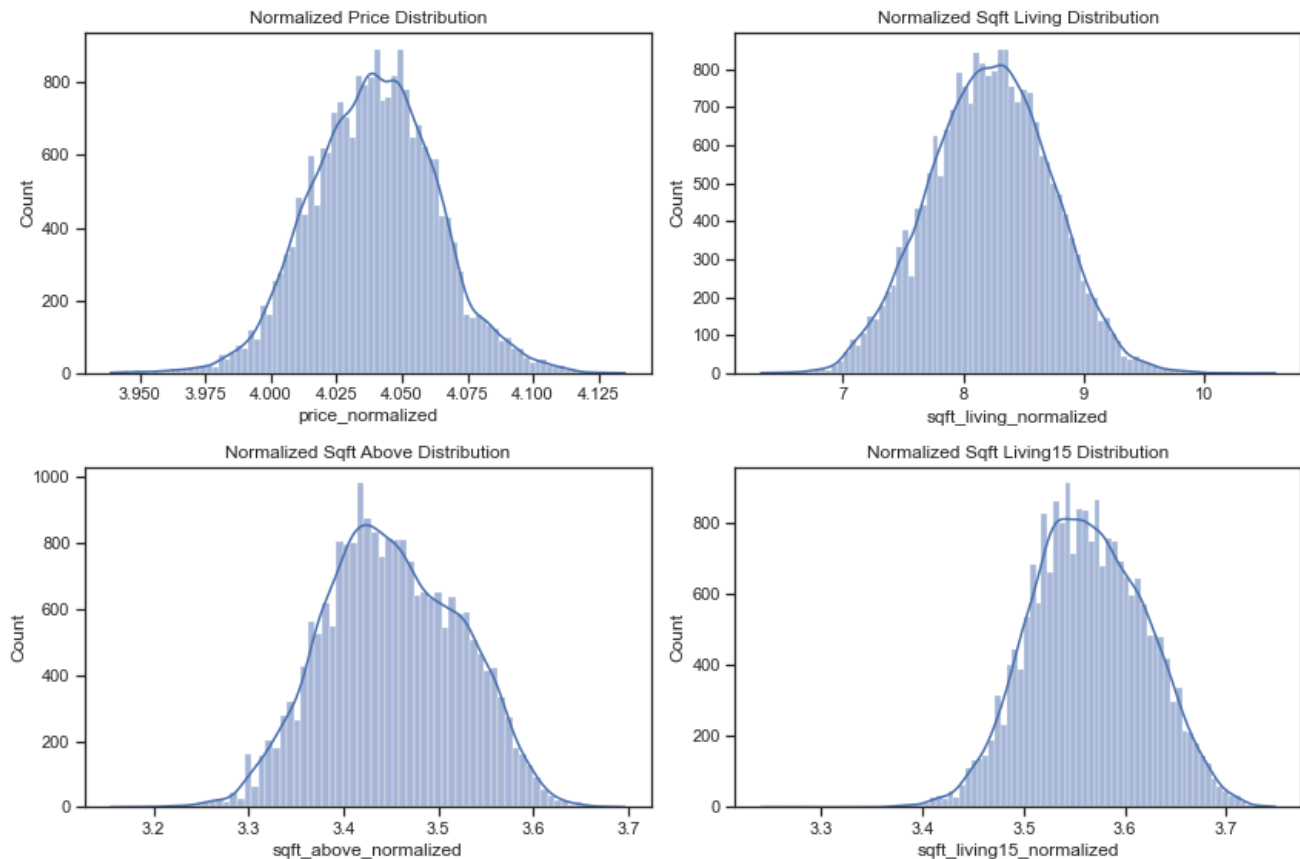
From the histograms above, we can conclude that;

1. Distribution of House Prices- the distribution appears slightly right-skewed with a skewness of 4.02. This indicates that there are more houses at higher price ranges than lower ones. The kurtosis of the price plot is 34.54 which is much greater than 3, indicating leptokurtic distribution that is, the distribution has a sharp peak and heavy tails.
2. Distribution of Living Area Sizes(sqft\_living)-The skewness of the sqft\_living plot is 1.47, implicating a moderately positively skewed distribution. The peak of the distribution suggests that most houses have living areas clustered around a specific size range, with fewer houses having very small or very large living areas.
3. Distribution of Sq. Footage apart from the basement-The skewness of the sqft\_above plot is 1.45, which indicates a moderately positively skewed distribution.

4. Distribution of Interior Sq. footage of nearest 15 neighbors-The skewness of the sqft\_living15 plot is 1.11, indicating a moderately positively skewed distribution. This suggests that houses in a given neighborhood tend to have similar interior square footage sizes.

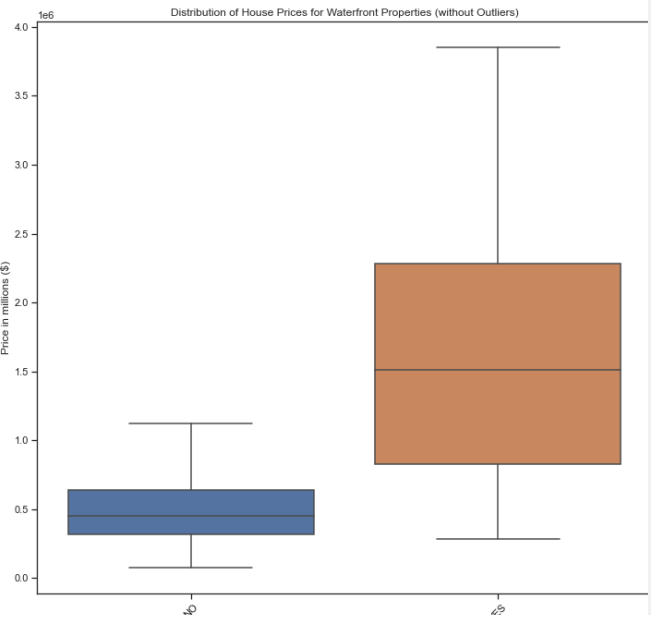
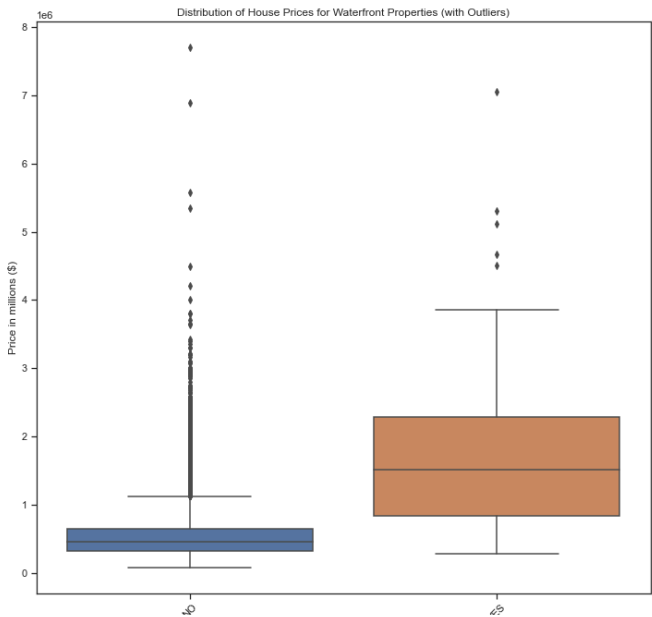
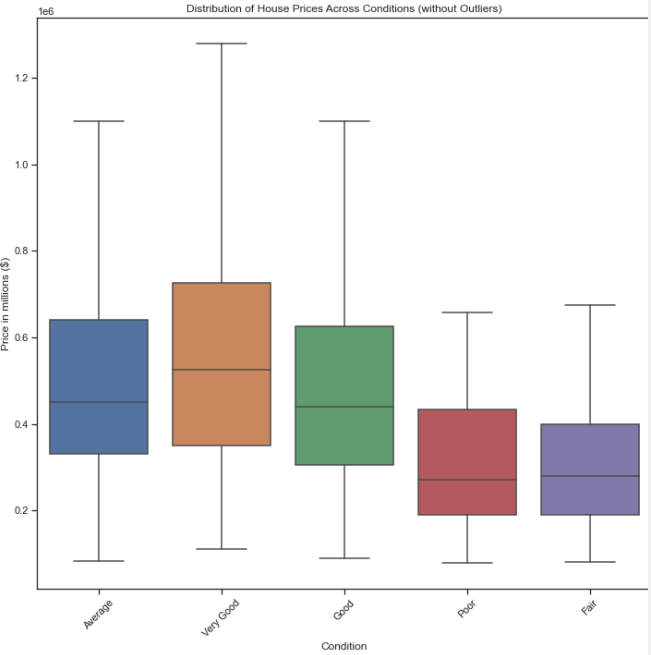
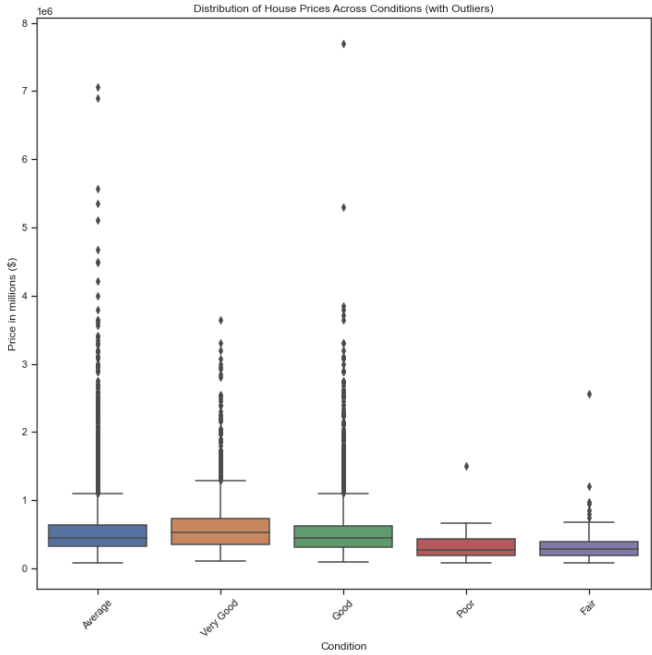
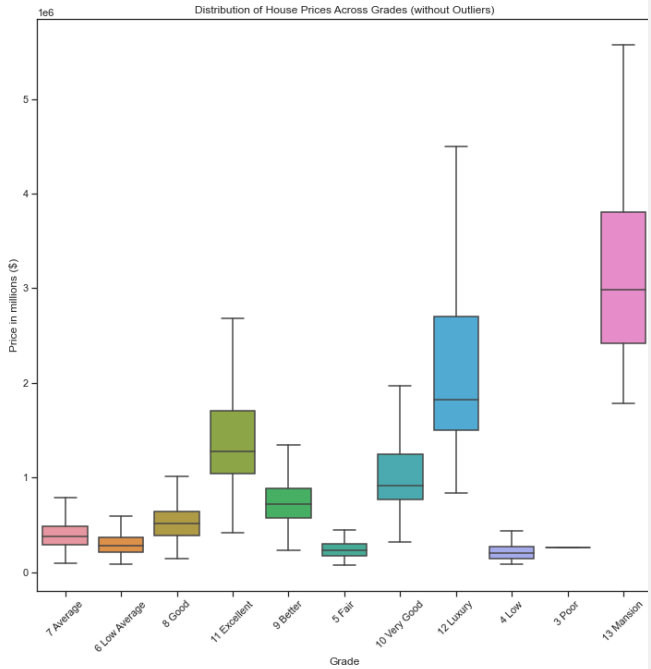
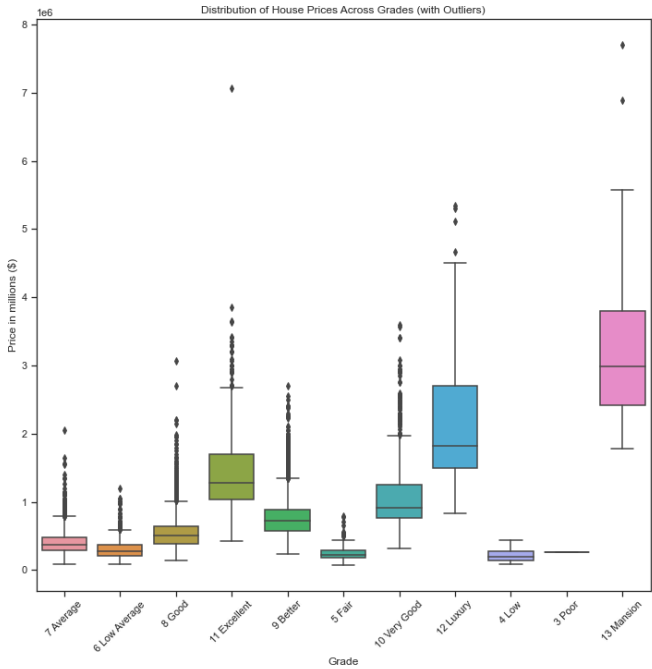
### Bar Plots

These visuals will help analyze the variation of average house prices as per the overall condition of the house, that is whether the house is located in a water front or not, the quality of views from the house and the number of levels in the house.



### Scatter Plots

We will create a grid of scatter plots to visualize and better explore the relationships between variables and check if they pass the assumptions of linear regression. That is Linearity, Homoscedasticity and normality assumptions.



## MODELING

In this section, Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) will be used and the values that will be looked at in the summary will be R-squared and P-values. R-squared communicates the level of variance around our target variable (Price) that can be explained by the model. P-value on the other hand is used to check the null hypothesis, that is if there is a relationship between the target (price) and the chosen variables. If the p-value is not less than 0.05, we fail to reject the null hypothesis.

### *General Overview*

We will take a general overview on the variables that have a strong correlation with the price. Based on the visualization done above, it is evident that the square footage of living space (sqft\_living) shows the strongest positive correlation with the price, marked at 0.7, this indicates a significant impact of the size of the living area to price. On the other hand the year the house was built has a weaker positive correlation of 0.5.

### *Baseline Model*

In this model, we will use price as the dependent variable and sqft\_living as the independent variable to determine the coefficient and the y-intercept. The model has an R-squared value of 0.49 explaining 49% variation in price, making it statistically significant. The intercept and coefficient for sqft\_living are approximately -\$43,990 and 281, respectively, both of which are statistically significant. We will also come up with a qqplot which gives an indication that using a polynomial regression for price and sqft\_living would have been more effective.

### *First Model*

This model incorporates all the other independent variables to understand their impact on price. We will introduce dummies for the categorical data. This model has an approximate R-squared of 0.6 indicating a 60% variance in price. It is however off by \$156,659 as given by our mean absolute error.

### *Second Model*

Since our dataset suggests that some columns are stored in object form but are supposed to be numeric such as yr\_renovated and sqft\_basement, we will convert them into numeric. The transformation will help to train our machine learning model which requires numeric data. We will create a new multiple linear regression model which will include the new numeric columns created. We will perform one-hot encoding on the view column. The new model has an adjusted R-squared of approximately 52%, this explains 52% of the variance in price. The model is statistically significant. However the predictions are off by \$169,937. This makes the previous model better than this model.

### *Third Model*

We will build another model using the Waterfront column after which we will split the dataset into training and testing sets. The model is statistically significant with an adjusted R-squared value of approximately 55%, this explains 55% of variation in price. However, the model's predictions are off by \$167,435, making the previous model better than this.

### *Fourth Model*

We will build another model using the condition column. The model is statistically significant with an adjusted R-squared value of approximately 53%, indicating a 53% of variation in price.

After including all the categorical variables independently into our model, we have come to the conclusion that, we will go with the first multiple linear regression model, that is, 'First Model' as it takes into account all the independent variables that are highly correlated with price and it also is the model with the highest R-squared value of .592. It explains about 60% percent of the variance in price.

### *Linear Regression*

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After testing and training our model, regression metrics like `r2_score`, `mean_absolute_error` and `mean_squared_error` will be used to evaluate the performance of our machine learning model.

A summarised interpretation of the the metrics is as below;

1. r-squared value of approximately 0.551 indicates that the linear regression model explains about 55% of the variance in the target variable price.

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