

A photograph of several rolled-up architectural blueprints resting on a light-colored wooden surface. The blueprints are partially unrolled, revealing detailed floor plans with numerous dimension lines and numerical measurements. The scene is lit from the left, creating soft shadows. A dark grey curved overlay covers the right side of the image, containing the title and author information.

# King County Housing Data Regression Project

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# Overview

- This project was designed to analyze home and property value in King County (Seattle, WA area)
- Data was obtained from King County home sales between May 2014 – May 2015
- Questions:
  - What quantities and / or qualities are most influential in determining sale price?
  - How can a resident of King County increase the value of their home?

# Data

Sale Price

# Floors

Living Area  
Square  
Footage

Lot Square  
Footage

Waterfront  
(Y/N)

Condition

Year Built

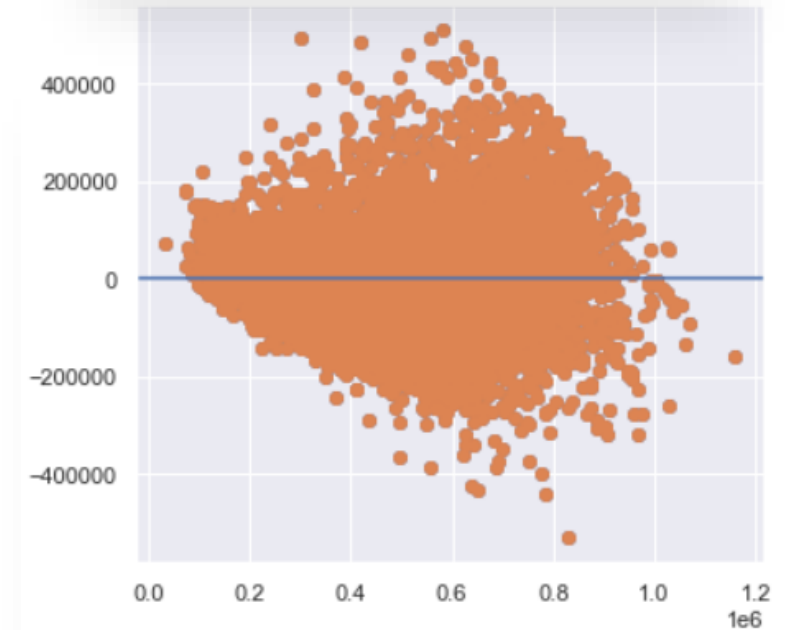
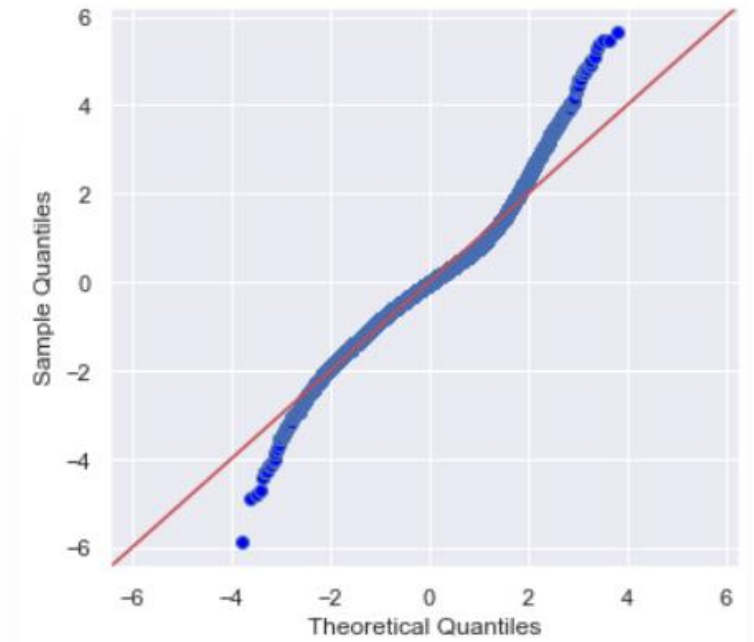
Zip Code

Basement  
(Y/N)

Renovated  
(Y/N)

# Regression Results

- Model returned an Adjusted R-squared of **0.798**
  - This means our model can explain 79.8% of the variance in price
- QQ plot shows model is mostly normal with fatter tails
- Homoscedasticity check is mostly cone-like
  - This indicates that our model is unbiased



# Findings

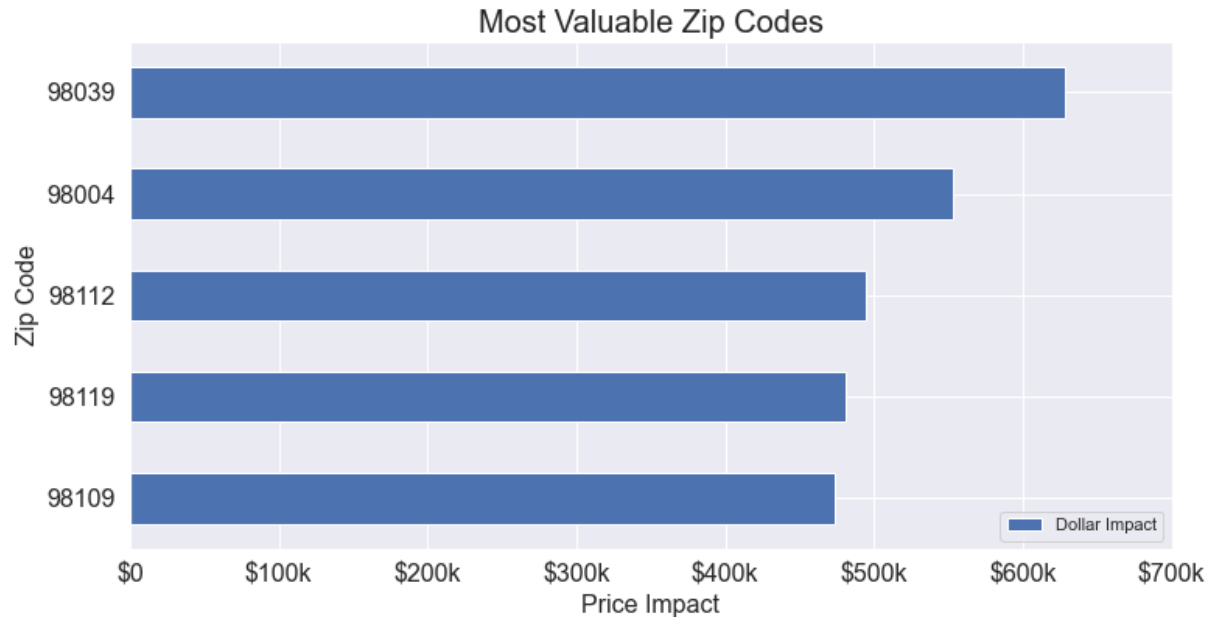
## Primary Price Drivers

- **Living Square Feet** - \$159 / sqft
- **Zip Codes** - top 5 add \$473-628k
- **Waterfront** - \$338k
- **Lot Square Feet** - \$3.45 / sqft
- **Basement** - \$23,634 penalty
- **Renovated** - 42,260 bonus
- **Condition** – between \$0 and \$174k

## Less Significant Features

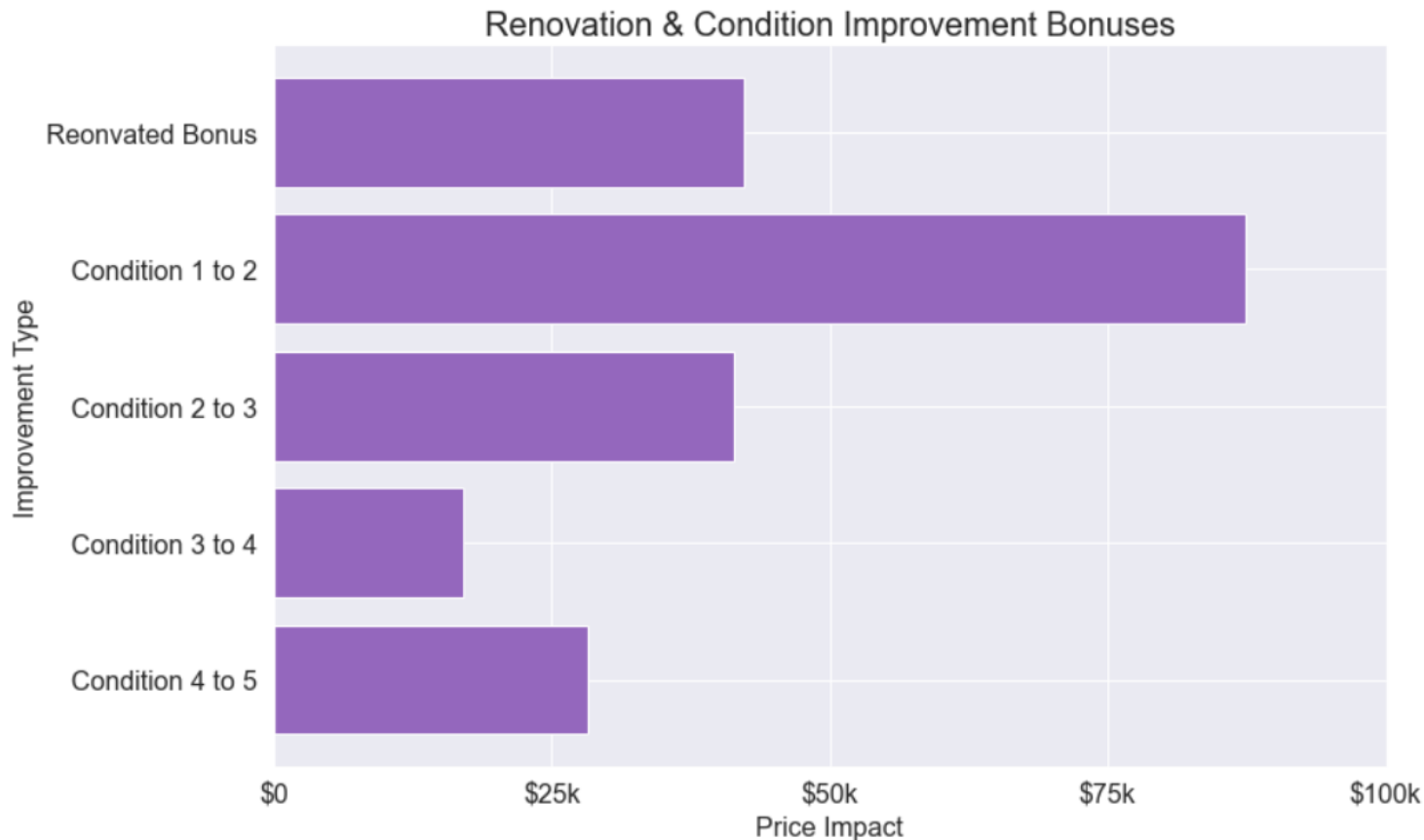
- **# Floors** – penalty or bonus vary
- **Age** - \$168 penalty per year

# Zip Codes Most / Least Valuable



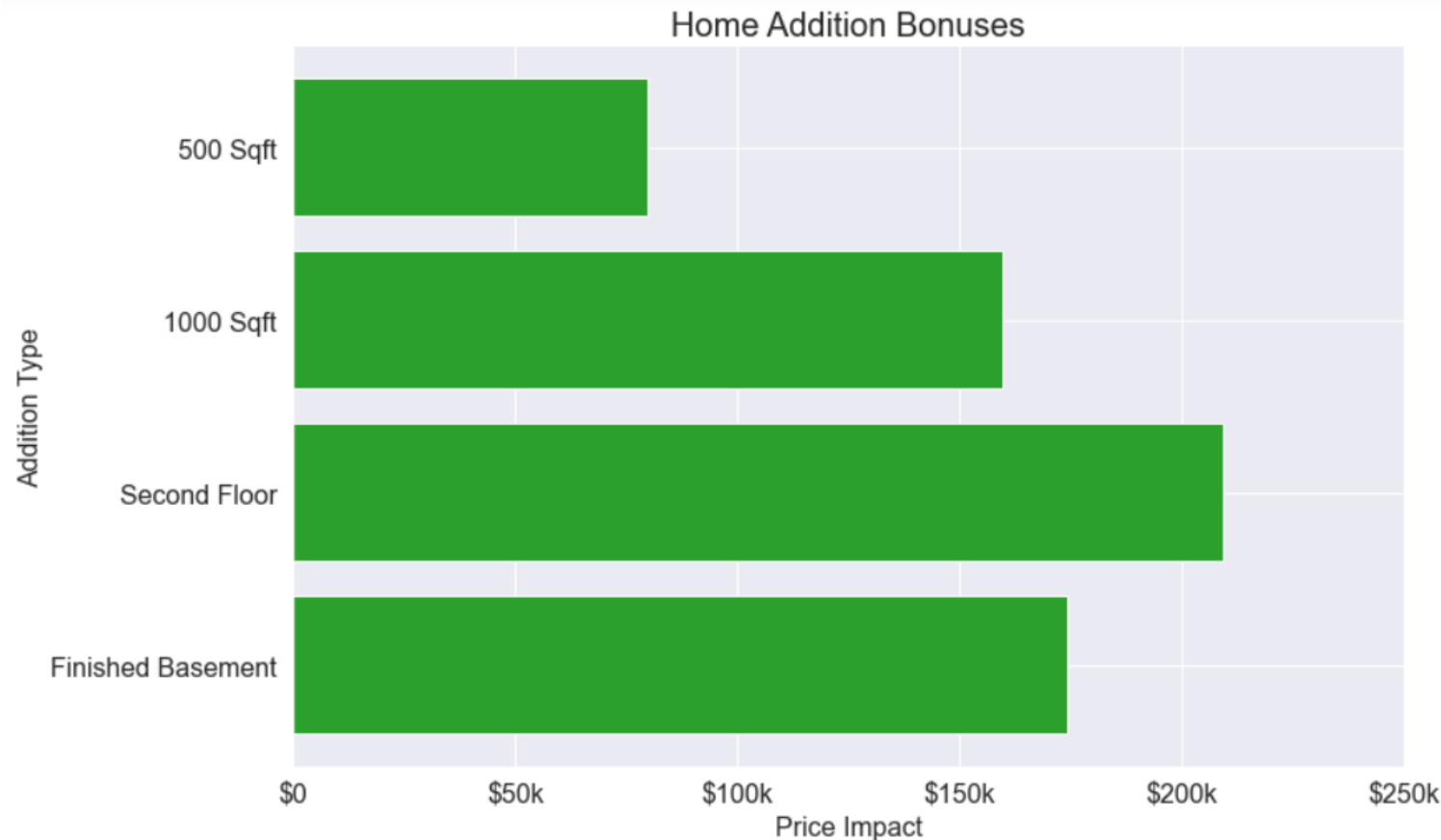
- Top 5 Zip Codes
  - Add \$473-628k to value
  - Located in metro area (Seattle, Bellevue, Mercer Island)
  - Closer to water
- Bottom 5 Zip Codes
  - Range from \$5k penalty to \$10k bonus
  - Located in southern King County, Kent area
  - Landlocked

# Recommendation: Renovate and Improve / Maintain Condition



- Renovating to improve condition will provide \$42k bonus
- If the renovation improves the condition, additional bonus will be applied
  - Condition 1 to 2: + \$87,360
  - Condition 2 to 3: + \$41,455
  - Condition 3 to 4: + \$17,031
  - Condition 4 to 5: + \$28,288
- Invest in regular maintenance to avoid condition deterioration penalty

# Recommendation: Add Living Square Footage through Construction



- Each additional square foot will add \$159 to the home value
  - **500 sqft: \$79,740**
  - **1000 sqft: \$159,480**
- Building a second floor (approx. 1240 sqft)
  - 1240 sqft: \$197,755
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> floor bonus: \$11,448
  - **Total: \$209,204**
- Finishing a basement:
  - 1240 sqft: \$197,755
  - Basement penalty: (-) \$23,634
  - **Total: \$174,121**



# Conclusions

- Living Square Footage is most significant factor in home price
- Zip Code is a primary price driver
  - Houses in city center and near water have higher value
  - Landlocked houses further from Seattle (especially in the Kent area) have less value
- Recommendations:
  - Add living square footage via extension, finished basement, or second floor
  - Renovate
  - Improve / maintain condition

# Next Steps

- Implement Latitude, Longitude, Year Renovated, and Living & Lot Square Footage for closest 15 neighbors
- Develop heatmap to refine geographic understanding
- Normalize features to improve predictive quality
- Create dynamic splitting functionality to run model on filtered datasets
  - Example: how specifically could the owner of a 2 story, 4 bedroom house in Bellevue improve their home value?



Thank you for  
your time!

Please feel free to ask any questions.







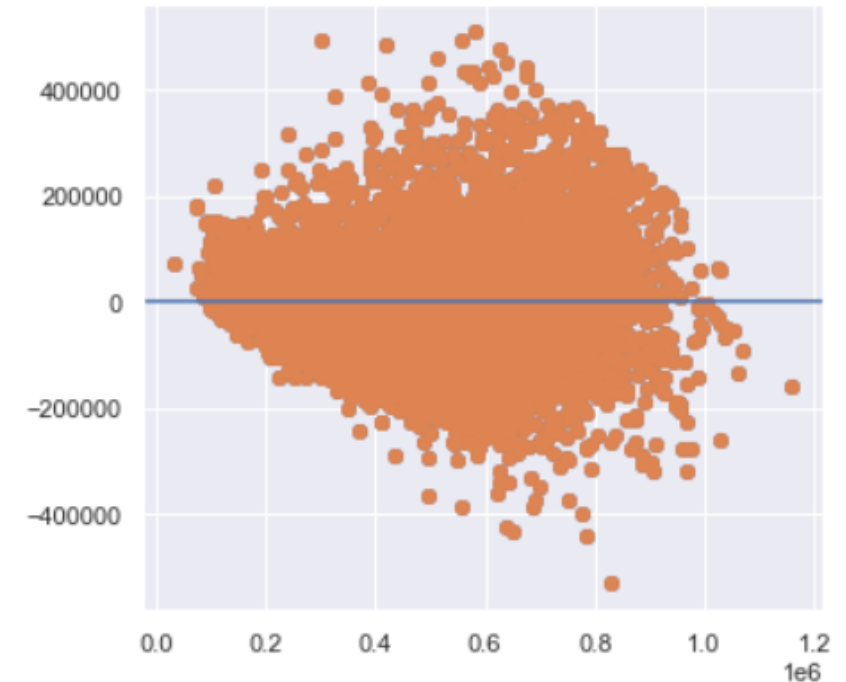
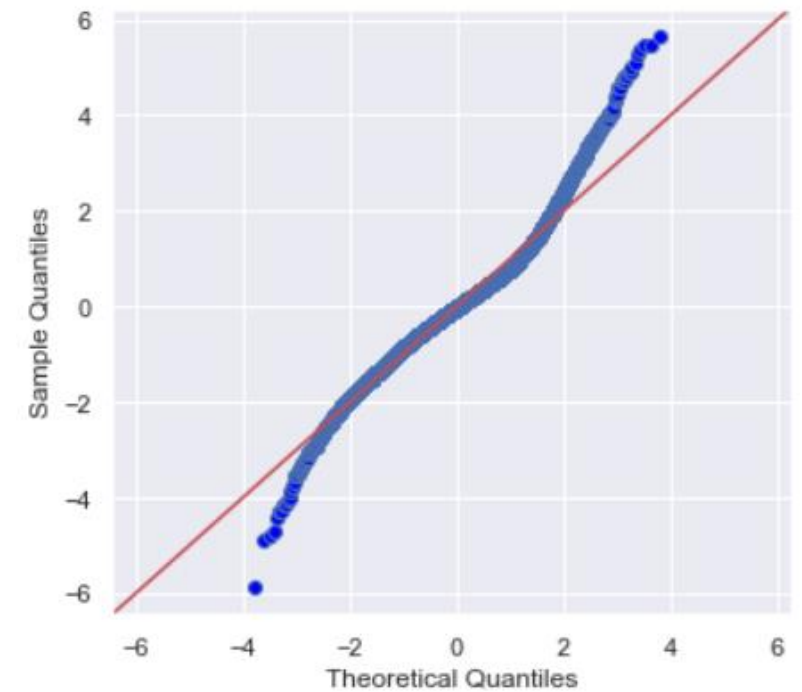
# Unused Data



# Regression Model

## OLS Regression Results

|                          |                  |                            |             |
|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Dep. Variable:</b>    | price            | <b>R-squared:</b>          | 0.799       |
| <b>Model:</b>            | OLS              | <b>Adj. R-squared:</b>     | 0.798       |
| <b>Method:</b>           | Least Squares    | <b>F-statistic:</b>        | 617.7       |
| <b>Date:</b>             | Wed, 21 Apr 2021 | <b>Prob (F-statistic):</b> | 0.00        |
| <b>Time:</b>             | 16:52:19         | <b>Log-Likelihood:</b>     | -1.6841e+05 |
| <b>No. Observations:</b> | 13128            | <b>AIC:</b>                | 3.370e+05   |
| <b>Df Residuals:</b>     | 13043            | <b>BIC:</b>                | 3.376e+05   |
| <b>Df Model:</b>         | 84               |                            |             |
| <b>Covariance Type:</b>  | nonrobust        |                            |             |



# P-Value Rankings

|    | Variable             | P_Value      |
|----|----------------------|--------------|
| 1  | sqft_living          | 0.0000000000 |
| 35 | C(waterfront)[T.1.0] | 0.0000000000 |
| 48 | C(has_basement)[T.1] | 0.0000000000 |
| 49 | sqft_lot             | 0.0000000000 |
| 51 | C(renovated)[T.1]    | 0.0000000000 |
| 54 | Intercept            | 0.0000000000 |
| 55 | C(condition)[T.5]    | 0.0000000000 |
| 58 | C(condition)[T.4]    | 0.0000000085 |
| 62 | C(condition)[T.3]    | 0.0000003648 |
| 66 | C(floors)[T.2.0]     | 0.0000224120 |
| 68 | C(floors)[T.3.0]     | 0.0001514949 |
| 69 | age                  | 0.0004193930 |
| 70 | C(condition)[T.2]    | 0.0011577263 |
| 71 | C(floors)[T.1.5]     | 0.0044800397 |
| 78 | C(floors)[T.3.5]     | 0.3210375106 |
| 83 | C(floors)[T.2.5]     | 0.9151773929 |