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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

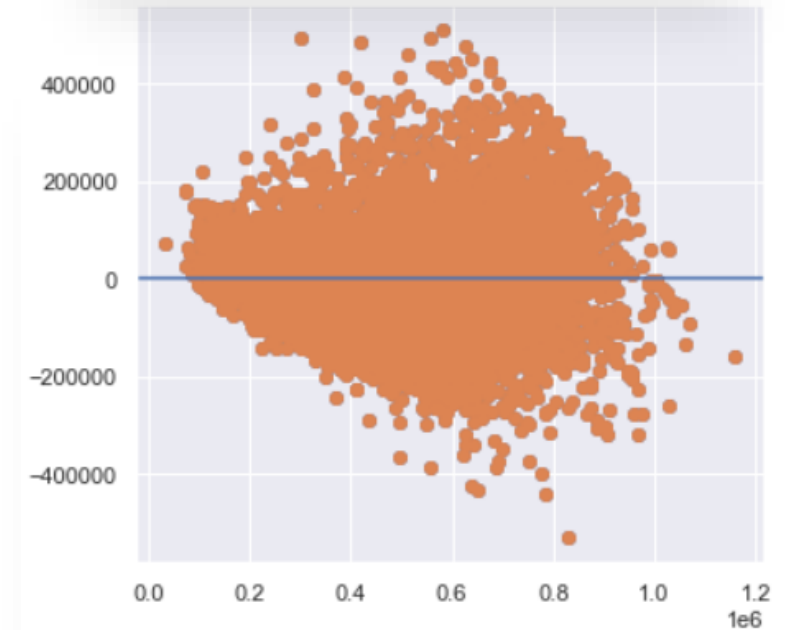
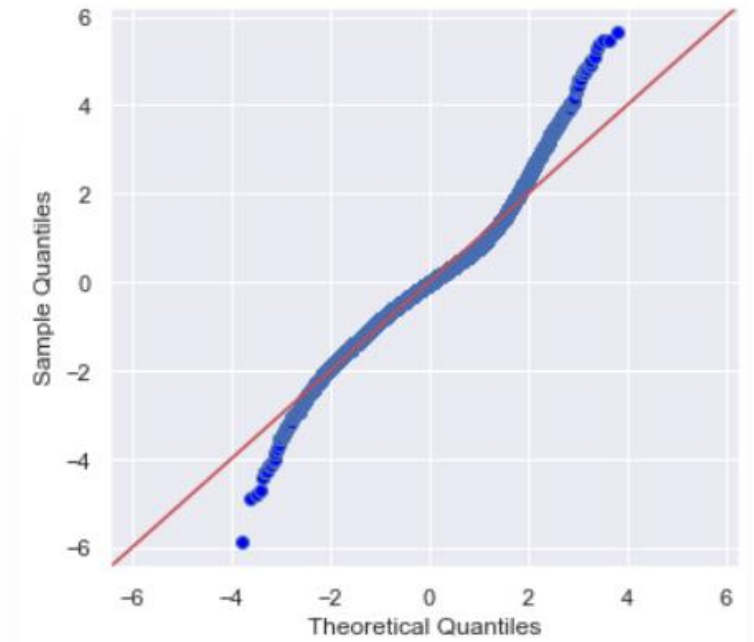
Zip Code

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

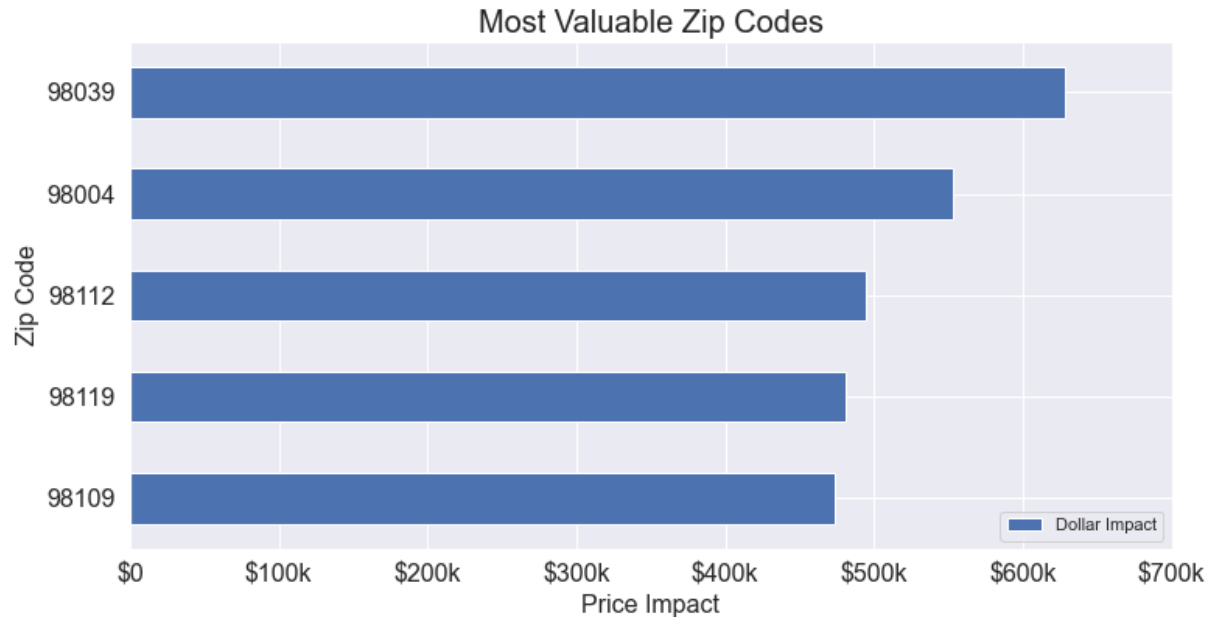
## Primary Price Drivers

- **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

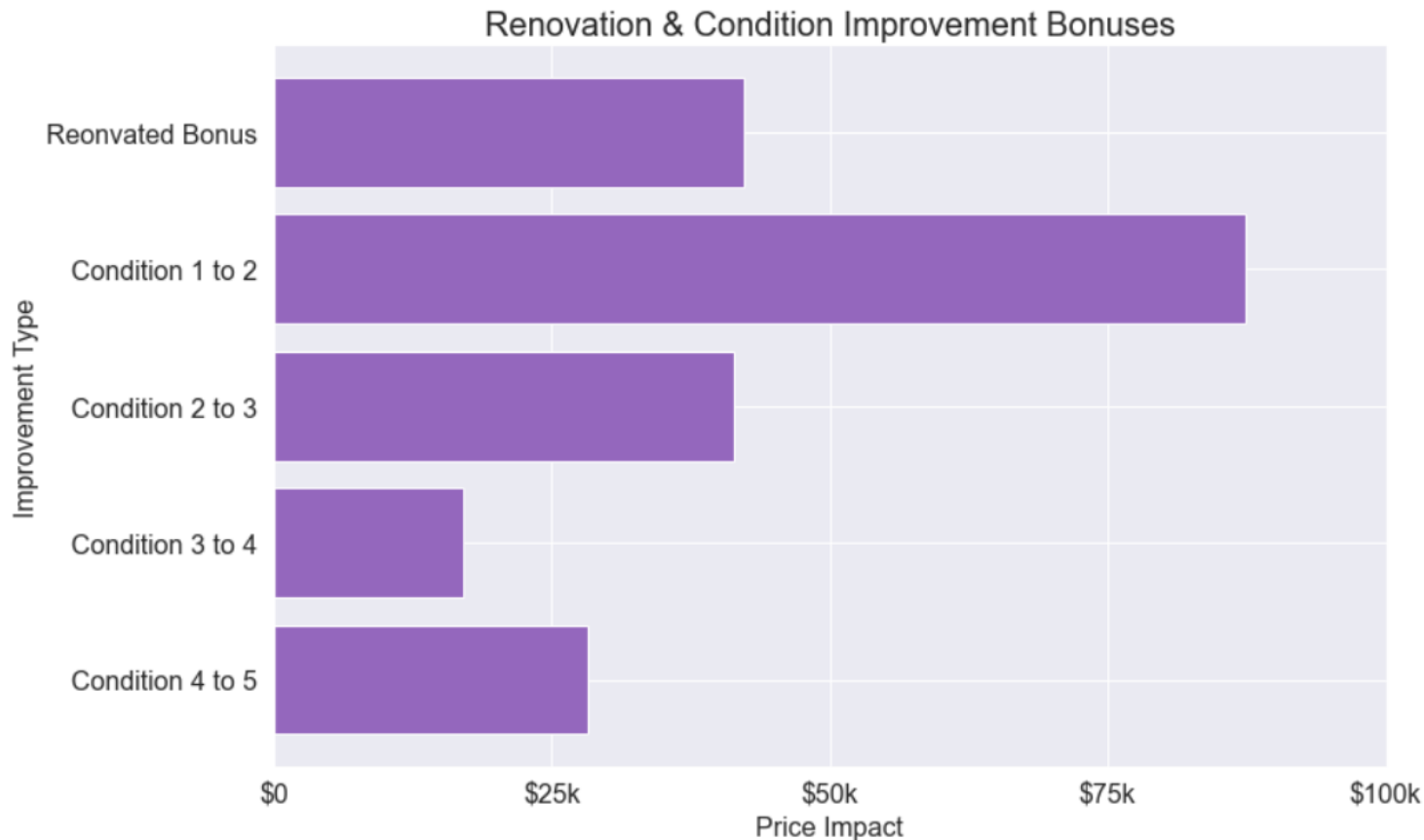
- **# Floors** – penalty or bonus vary
- **Age** - \$168 penalty per year

# Zip Codes Most / Least Valuable



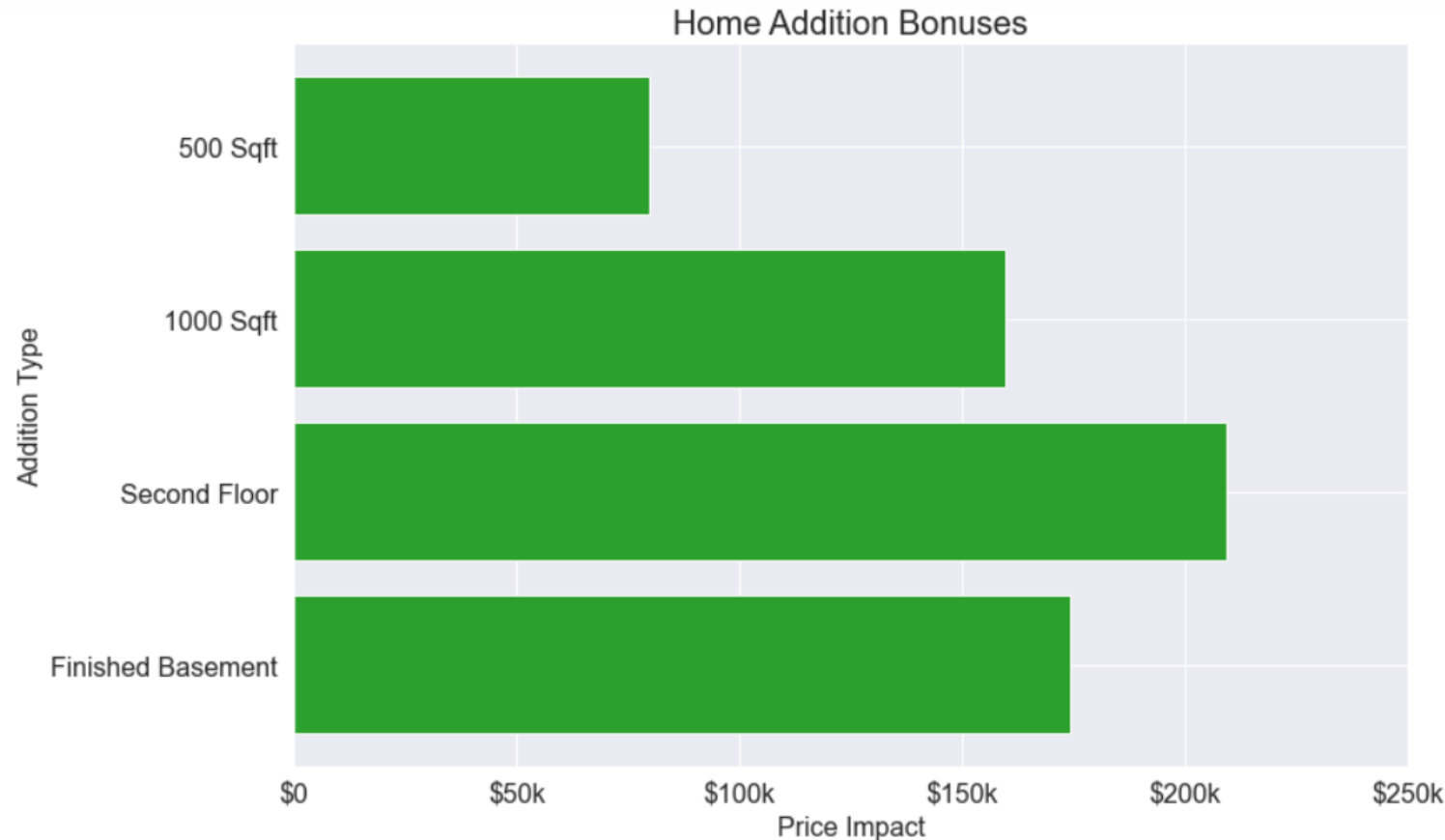
- Top 5 Zip Codes
  - Add \$473-628k to value
  - Located in metro area (Seattle, Bellevue, Mercer Island)
  - Closer to water
- Bottom 5 Zip Codes
  - Range from \$5k penalty to \$10k bonus
  - Located in southern King County, Kent area
  - Landlocked

# 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		

