

Ames, Iowa Home Price Modeling

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Homework 13

Analysis Question 1

Restatement of Problem:

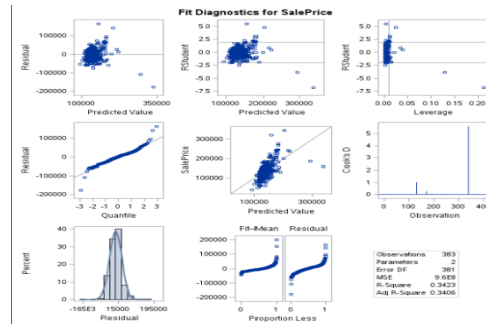
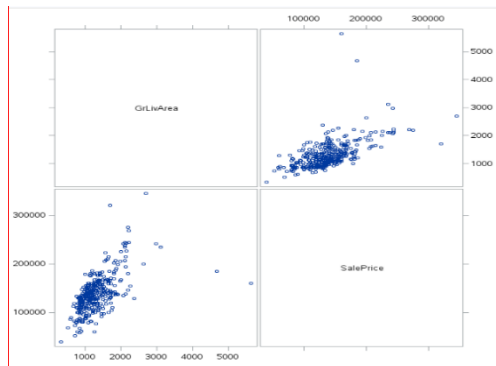
Century 21 in Ames Iowa wants to build a model to predict sales price of 3 neighbourhood (BrkSide, NAmes, EdWard) in Iowa based on living area. They have provided with historical data of sales done in these neighborhood so far.

To-do: Build a model which uses (independent variables) living area in sq.ft and the neighborhood and predicts sales price (Dependent variable)

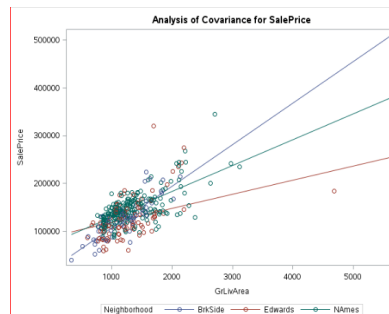
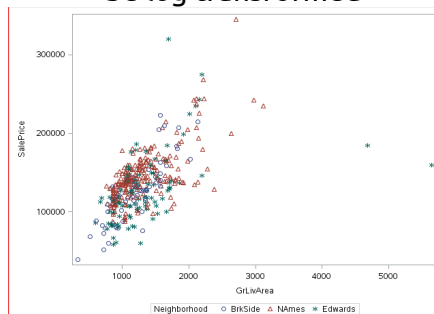
Specify the model:

SalesPrice = $\beta_0 + \beta_1 * GrLivArea + \beta_2 * \text{neighborhood}$

Checking Assumptions



1. From scatter plot, QQ plot and histogram, data is normally distributed
2. Interactions: looking at analysis of covariance plot, High leverage mild departures:
3. Looking at scatter plot b/w Sales price and living area, there are a few outliers, skewness, we can consider doing log transformation on sales price.
4. Looking at the plots, data is clustered in one group with outliers. This data needs to be log transformed



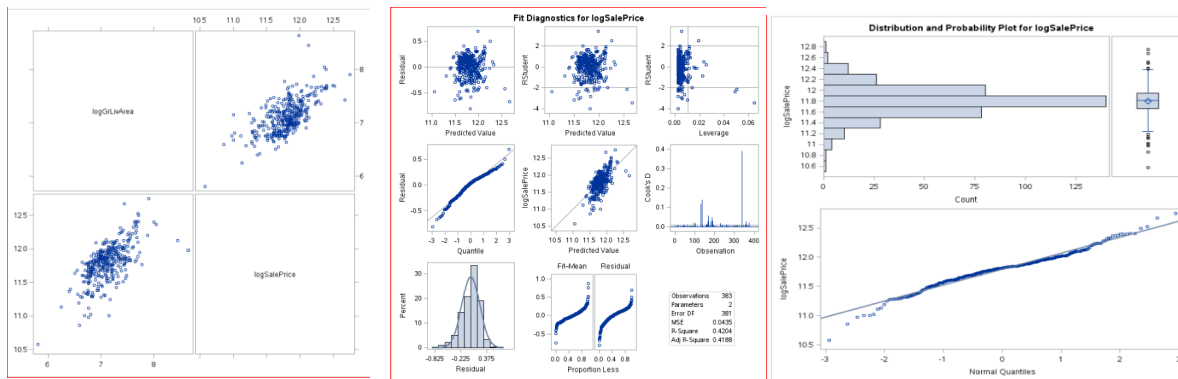
Categorical variable analysis:

Data is concentrated around living area of < 30 sq foot and sales price for < 300k.

Edward neighborhood has a

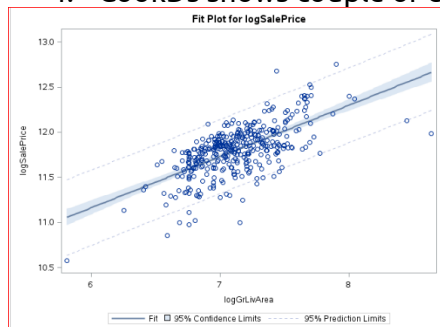
few bigger houses
and higher price.

Model 1: Log transformed on Sales price and living area.



Checking Assumptions

1. Normality: From QQ plot, scatter and histogram, we can assume normality. Although histogram shows a little skewness it's not very strong evidence against normality.
2. Linearity: Looking at the residual plots we can make an assumption of linearity.
3. Equal variance: After log transformation, since none of the plot looks too bad, we continue with our model.
4. CookDs shows couple of extremis. We will keep a check on it.

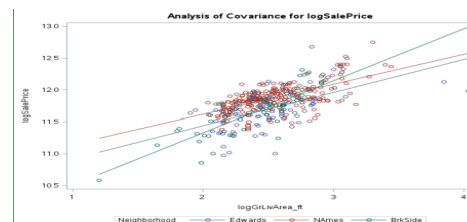


Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error	t Value	Pr > t
Intercept	8.492727841	B 0.32441709	26.18	<.0001
logGrLivArea	0.473023802	B 0.04542895	10.41	<.0001
Neighborhood BrkSide	-2.579808905	B 0.59988132	-4.30	<.0001
Neighborhood Edwards	-0.488220481	B 0.51750833	-0.94	0.3481
Neighborhood NAmes	0.000000000	B	-	-
logGrLivA*Neighborhood BrkSide	0.348824454	B 0.08482008	4.09	<.0001
logGrLivA*Neighborhood Edwards	0.048843842	B 0.07248011	0.64	0.5203
logGrLivA*Neighborhood NAmes	0.000000000	B	-	-

T test and pValue

P value for Neighborhood BrkSide and logGrLivA * Edwards is > 0.05. We will make **BrkSide** as reference and recalculate the model

Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error	t Value	Pr > t
Intercept	9.687539527	B 0.17591730	55.07	<.0001
logGrLivArea_ft	0.819648056	B 0.07162860	11.44	<.0001
Neighborhood Edwards	0.712123750	B 0.22730442	3.13	0.0019
Neighborhood NAmes	0.983542304	B 0.21053748	4.67	<.0001
Neighborhood BrkSide	0.000000000	B	-	-
logGrLivA*Neighborhood Edwards	-0.289980812	B 0.09121531	-3.29	0.0011
logGrLivA*Neighborhood NAmes	-0.348824454	B 0.08482008	-4.09	<.0001
logGrLivA*Neighborhood BrkSide	0.000000000	B	-	-



Pvalue < 0.05 for all variables. Living Area and neighborhood are significant predictors of sales price.

Fit the model

$\text{Log}(\text{SalesPrice}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * \text{Log}(\text{GrLivArea}) + \beta_2 * \text{neighborhood BrkSide} + \beta_3 \text{neighborhood Edwards} + \beta_4 \text{log}(\text{GrLivA}) * \text{neighborhood BrkSide} + \beta_5 \text{log}(\text{GrLivA}) * \text{neighborhood Edwards}$

$\text{Log}(\text{SalesPrice}) = 9.69 + 0.820 \cdot \text{Log}(\text{GrLivArea}) + 0.712 \cdot \text{neighborhood Edwards} + 0.984 \cdot \text{neighborhood NAMES} - 0.30 \log(\text{GrLivA}) \cdot \text{neighborhood Edward} - 0.347 \log(\text{GrLivA}) \cdot \text{neighborhood NAMES}$

Parameter Interpretation:

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Edward:

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$\text{Log}(\text{salesPrice}) = 10.402 + 0.52 \cdot \text{Log}(\text{GrLivArea})$

$\text{SalesPrice} = e^{10.402 + 0.52 \cdot \text{Log}(\text{GrLivArea})}$

$\text{SalesPrice} = e^{10.402} \cdot \text{grLivArea}^{0.52}$

$\text{SalesPrice}\{\text{EdWard}\} = 32925 \cdot \text{grLivArea}^{0.52}$

For a 1sqr.ft house salesPrice of EdWard = 32925\$

Doubling it, GrLivingArea = 2, SalesPricec increases to 32926.43\$

Names

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$\text{Log}(\text{SalesPrice}) = 10.674 + 0.473 \cdot \text{Log}(\text{GrLivArea})$

$\text{SalesPrice} = e^{10.674} \cdot \text{GrLivArea}^{0.473}$

$\text{SalesPrice}\{\text{Names}\} = 43217 \cdot \text{GrLivArea}^{0.473}$

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BrkSide

$\text{Log}(\text{SalesPrice}) = 9.69 + 0.820 \cdot \text{Log}(\text{GrLivArea})$

$\text{SalesPrice} = e^{9.69} \cdot \text{GrLivArea}^{0.82}$

$\text{SalesPrice}\{\text{BrkSide}\} = 16155 \cdot \text{GrLivArea}^{0.82}$

R2 and Root MSE

The GLM Procedure Dependent Variable: logSalePrice					
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
Model	5	14.62857557	2.92571511	79.14	<.0001
Error	377	13.93775037	0.03697016		
Corrected Total	382	28.56632594			

R-Square	Coeff Var	Root MSE	logSalePrice Mean
0.512092	1.629617	0.192276	11.79887

Sum of Residuals	0.00000000
Sum of Squared Residuals	13.93775037
Sum of Squared Residuals - Error SS	0.00000000
PRESS Statistic	14.60907700
First Order Autocorrelation	-0.03661491
Durbin-Watson D	2.07059238

Summary of anlysis:

- 1) $R^2 = 0.512$, 51.2 % of variation in salesprice is affected by living area and neighborhood.
- 2) It appears that higher squart ft the sales price increases for all 3 neighborhood.
- 3) BrkSide neighborhood increases salesprice significantly compared to NAMES and

EdWard for this dataset.

- 4) Model without interactions was also developed. It did not produce reasonable results hence was discarded.

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