

Zillow Home Value Forecast (ZHVF)

Python EDA

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PROBLEM STATEMENT

Providing a more accurate estimate of a home's future value based on current data and market trends to help individuals make informed real estate decisions.



STEPS TO ANALYSIS

Imported dataset
and packages

IMPORT

Generate
visualizations (with
current data)

PLOTTING

Make a prediction using a
trained linear regression
model

PREDICTIONS

PROCESSING

Processing the Data
Frame and solve
Date column issues
(convert Date to a
categorical variable)

MODEL

Train a linear
regression model
using the "Date" and
"Price" columns



How we used ChatGPT

python

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# load your data into a pandas dataframe
df = pd.read_csv("your_data.csv")

# convert the date column to a categorical variable
df['date'] = pd.Categorical(df['date'])
df['date_cat'] = df['date'].cat.codes

# extract the features and target variable
X = df.drop(['target_variable', 'date'], axis=1)
y = df['target_variable']

# split the data into training and testing sets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
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3. Train the linear regression model

Regenerate response

CHATGPT, THANK YOU AND I LOVE YOU

We mainly used ChatGPT to:

- Troubleshoot when we were having problems
- Better understand certain Python syntax
- Understand different techniques of performing a task in Python/Pandas/Scikitlearn

Visualization



Based on current data (left), the prices have been on a general upswing since 2000.

We performed a linear regression to understand what the estimated average house price would be in Boston in June 2023. Our linear regression showed a slope of 1465.21 and intercept of 245064.10.


In other words: with a starting price of \$245,064, each day adds approximately \$1465 to a house's price.*

*Notably, since linear regression accounts for best fit, it will not always accurately predict the housing cost if there are observed dips in the actual data.






Conclusion



We used a linear regression to understand the relationship between Date and Price. Based on the data analysis: As time moves forward (Date “increases”), so does Price. We can expect housing prices to continue to rise.



Our regression model allowed us to predict house values for individual dates 1-1-2023 and beyond. Based on our model, for example, we anticipate the average house price to be approximately \$911,735 on 6-1-2023.

Users who wish to use our model to predict house prices may do so by inputting for how many number of days after 12-23-22 they wish to predict the price.

