# Mobile Phones Selling Price Report

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#### **Chapter 1: Introduction**

Mobile phones are everywhere, so are the prices. Despite still having the word "phone" in the name, a typical modern smartphone has much more features than just to make and receive calls. They are boasting a staggering range of features, like brand, memory, storage, camera, resolution, just to name a few. And as you can imagine, with all this new technology and features jam packed in one little device costs money, costs a lot of money. A 2020 review of premium mobile phones shows a staggering 490% rise in the last two decades.

With so many mobile phones on the market, it can be difficult to decide which one you want to buy. As a customer, we are particularly interested in finding some relation between all these features and its selling price. To this purpose, we collected the MobilePhone's dataset from Kaggle and apply a set of statistical analysis hoping to answer some guiding questions:

- 1. Can we estimate the true average price for mobile phones?
- 2. What is the impact of each mobile phone's feature on the selling price?
- 3. Can a classification model to distinguish the selling price range?
- 4. Can we build a decent model to predict the selling price for a mobile phone?

#### Chapter 2: Dataset and Scope of Analysis.

We chose a dataset weighting by *simplicity*. That is, we would like to maximize the learning experience applying class content to a toy/stylized modelthat may or may not have any practical use.

#### Dataset

The dataset consists of 8 columns and 28'036 rows and no missing values.

- *Model*: categorical variables with sub-classes. These names include the color of the unit and its storage capacity. The latter being also listed as a separate column.
- Company: categorical variable. Name of the phone's manufacturer.
- Price: continuous variable. Units in Indian Rupees.
- Rating: continuous variable. Units in Indian Rupees.
- Number of ratings: discrete variable: a simple count.
- Total reviews: discrete variable: a simple count.
- RAM size: categorical variable. RAM specification of the phone.
- ROM size: categorical variable. Storage (non-volatile memory) capacity of the phone.

#### Scope of Analysis

TODO: Hash out modelling. I recommend a diagram using a tool like lucidcharts.com. See the templates section. For instance (see Figure 1 below).

The dataset and detailed analysis can be found at this repository.

### Chapter 5: References

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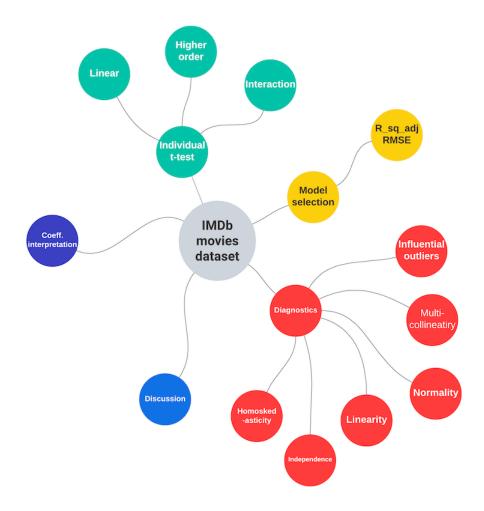


Figure 1: Example diagram