ANALYSIS OF HOUSE SALES IN KING COUNTY

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OUTLINE

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OVERVIEW

- Cases from northwest in Washington state, King's County
- House prices depend of several factors
- This project will try to make predictions based on limited information such as:
 - Areas of house and lot
 - Grades, view, waterfront property and conditions
 - Zip code
 - Performance of prediction and recommendations

BUSINESS AND DATA UNDERSTANDING

- Data collected from King's County official website
- This project will try to address the following questions:
 - What are the primary factors for house pricing?
 - Do zip codes, grades and other qualitative factors in the county determine house prices?
 - Are there unforeseen factors that could help predict housing price?
 - What is the best linear model to predict house prices in the future?
 - What are the additional information required to help make better prediction?
 - What are the recommendations based on the model generated?

MODELING

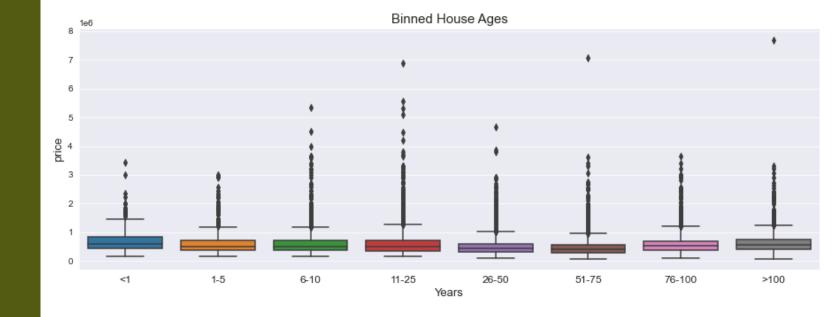
- Multiple Linear regression used in this project
- Ten models identified
- Models were evaluated
- Perform post-modeling assumption checked
- Features were check if they have mutual influences



RESULTS

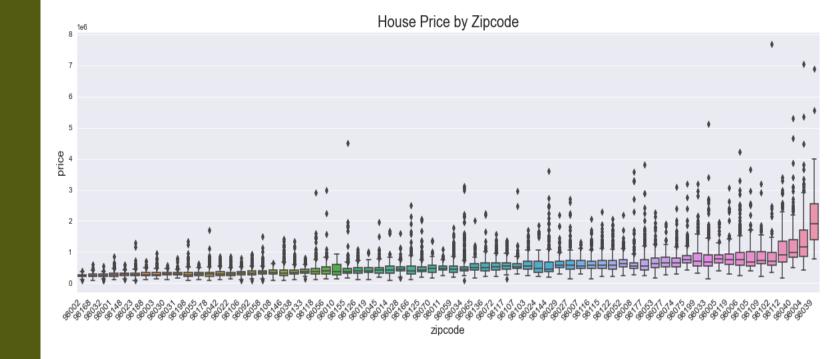
AGE

Houses built 11 – 25 years ago sell better than others but not by a significant margin



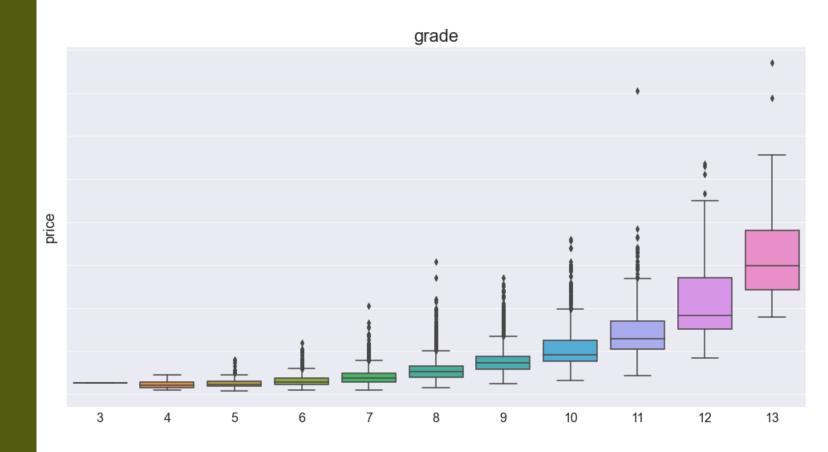
ZIP CODE

The costliest zip codes have significantly higher prices compared to others



GRADE

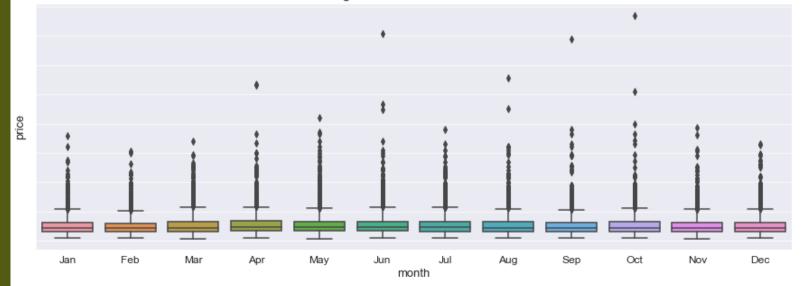
Average grades range between 7 and 8 but grades appreciably increase with price



MONTH OF SALE

The month of house sale does not significant have impact on price

Changes in Price With Sale Month



REGRESSION RESULT

The final regression model appears as follows. R-square represents the goodness of fit. The closer it is to 1, the better



RECOMMENDATIONS

- Location of the house has major effect on price
- Zip codes 98168, 98178, 98198, 98032, 98023, 98188, 98055 and 98031 reduce the house prices
- Age tends to reduce house price
- Waterfront properties increase the price significantly
- Houses with excellent views and condition cost more than the rest.
- The number of floors, interior living space square footage for the nearest 15 neighbors, basement area, and year of renovation have no significance in predicting prices.

NEXT STEPS

- Gather more data with more sale years
- Investigate why some zip codes have over/undervalued prices
- Include median earning by zip code for better prediction
- Employ other predictive models, besides regression

THANK YOU

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