1 Housing Sale Analysis

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▼ 1.1 Business Problem

A King County real estate agency has requested us for help in predicting housing prices. They would like to figure out which factors have the greatest effect on the price of the home. They want to cater to average home buyers. You must then translate those findings into actionable insights that the real estate agency can use to better sell the homes in the market.

1.2 Data Understanding

This project uses the King County House Sales dataset, which can be found in kc_house_data.csv in the data folder in this repo. The description of the column names can be found in column_names.md in the same folder.

```
In [1]: # Import necessary packages
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
import seaborn as sns

from statsmodels.formula.api import ols
from statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import variance_inflation_factor
import statsmodels.api as sm
import scipy.stats as stats
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
from sklearn import metrics

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```

Let's first load the housing data set into a DataFrame

Out[2]:

	id	date	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront
0	7129300520	10/13/2014	221900.0	3	1.00	1180	5650	1.0	NaN
1	6414100192	12/9/2014	538000.0	3	2.25	2570	7242	2.0	0.0
2	5631500400	2/25/2015	180000.0	2	1.00	770	10000	1.0	0.0
3	2487200875	12/9/2014	604000.0	4	3.00	1960	5000	1.0	0.0
4	1954400510	2/18/2015	510000.0	3	2.00	1680	8080	1.0	0.0

5 rows × 21 columns



The dataset columns are defined below:

- id unique identified for a house
- · date house was sold
- · price is prediction target
- bedrooms of Bedrooms/House
- · bathrooms of bathrooms/bedrooms
- sqft_living footage of the home
- sqft_lot footage of the lot
- · floors floors (levels) in house
- · waterfront House which has a view to a waterfront
- · view Has been viewed
- condition How good the condition is (Overall)
- grade overall grade given to the housing unit, based on King County grading system
- sqft_above square footage of house apart from basement
- sqft_basement square footage of the basement
- yr_built Built Year
- · yr_renovated Year when house was renovated
- zipcode zip
- · lat Latitude coordinate
- · long Longitude coordinate
- sqft_living15 The square footage of interior housing living space for the nearest 15 neighbors
- sqft_lot15 The square footage of the land lots of the nearest 15 neighbors

1.3 Data Preparation

We need to first clean up the dataset so that we can properly analyze the housing price factors.

Lets take a quick look at the data we are given:

```
In [3]: display(data.info())
display(data.describe())
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 21597 entries, 0 to 21596
Data columns (total 21 columns):

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Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
id	21597 non-null	int64
date	21597 non-null	object
price	21597 non-null	float64
bedrooms	21597 non-null	int64
bathrooms	21597 non-null	float64
sqft_living	21597 non-null	int64
sqft_lot	21597 non-null	int64
floors	21597 non-null	float64
waterfront	19221 non-null	float64
view	21534 non-null	float64
condition	21597 non-null	int64
grade	21597 non-null	int64
sqft_above	21597 non-null	int64
sqft_basement	21597 non-null	object
yr_built	21597 non-null	int64
yr_renovated	17755 non-null	float64
zipcode	21597 non-null	int64
lat	21597 non-null	float64
long	21597 non-null	float64
sqft_living15	21597 non-null	int64
sqft_lot15	21597 non-null	int64
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	id	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	
count	2.159700e+04	2.159700e+04	21597.000000	21597.000000	21597.000000	2.159700e+04	21597
mean	4.580474e+09	5.402966e+05	3.373200	2.115826	2080.321850	1.509941e+04	1
std	2.876736e+09	3.673681e+05	0.926299	0.768984	918.106125	4.141264e+04	С
min	1.000102e+06	7.800000e+04	1.000000	0.500000	370.000000	5.200000e+02	1
25%	2.123049e+09	3.220000e+05	3.000000	1.750000	1430.000000	5.040000e+03	1
50%	3.904930e+09	4.500000e+05	3.000000	2.250000	1910.000000	7.618000e+03	1
75%	7.308900e+09	6.450000e+05	4.000000	2.500000	2550.000000	1.068500e+04	2
max	9.900000e+09	7.700000e+06	33.000000	8.000000	13540.000000	1.651359e+06	3
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There seems to be too many columns. Let's specify what columns we need for our analysis

- date
- view
- sqft_above
- · sqft_basement
- · zipcode
- lat
- long
- sqft_living15
- sqft_lot15

We need to find missing values and replace them with appropriate values:

```
In [5]: # Find missing value columns
data.isna().sum()
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```

```
Out[5]: price
                             0
         bedrooms
                             0
         bathrooms
                             0
         sqft_living
                             0
         sqft_lot
                             0
         floors
                             0
         waterfront
                          2376
         condition
                             0
                             0
         grade
         yr_built
                             0
         yr_renovated
                          3842
         dtype: int64
```

```
In [6]: # Analyze for replacements for 'waterfront' and 'yr_renovated'
data.describe()
executed in 43ms, finished 17:01:24 2021-03-26
```

Out[6]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	wa
count	2.159700e+04	21597.000000	21597.000000	21597.000000	2.159700e+04	21597.000000	19221
mean	5.402966e+05	3.373200	2.115826	2080.321850	1.509941e+04	1.494096	0
std	3.673681e+05	0.926299	0.768984	918.106125	4.141264e+04	0.539683	0
min	7.800000e+04	1.000000	0.500000	370.000000	5.200000e+02	1.000000	0
25%	3.220000e+05	3.000000	1.750000	1430.000000	5.040000e+03	1.000000	0
50%	4.500000e+05	3.000000	2.250000	1910.000000	7.618000e+03	1.500000	0
75%	6.450000e+05	4.000000	2.500000	2550.000000	1.068500e+04	2.000000	0
max	7.700000e+06	33.000000	8.000000	13540.000000	1.651359e+06	3.500000	1
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We can see that waterfront and yr_renovated are missing values. We should feel comfortable with replacing the values with the median values of 0 for both seeing that both the median and 25/75 quartiles all equate to 0.

```
In [7]: for col in data.columns:
    try:
        median = data[col].median()
        data[col] = data[col].fillna(value=median)
    except:
        continue

# Rechecking missing values and confirm none left.
data.isna().sum()

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```

Out[7]:

```
price
                 0
bedrooms
                 0
bathrooms
                 0
sqft_living
                 0
sqft_lot
                 0
floors
                 0
waterfront
                 0
condition
                 0
grade
                 0
yr built
                 0
yr_renovated
                 0
dtype: int64
```

Taking a look at 'yr_renovated', we can see that rather than needing to see the specific year of renovation, it may be more effective to see this as a "renovated" category.

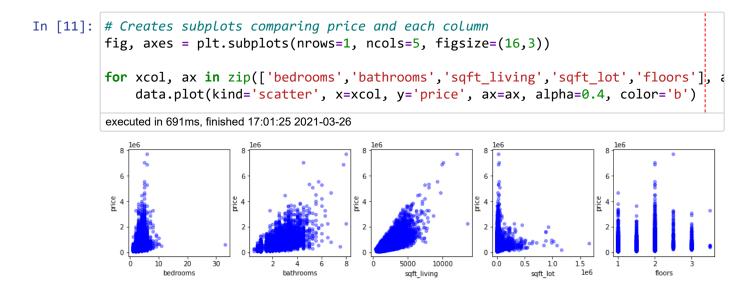
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In [8]: # Converting yr renovated into renovated
          data['renovated'] = data['yr_renovated'].apply(lambda x: 1 if x>0 else x)
          executed in 14ms, finished 17:01:24 2021-03-26
 In [9]:
          # Dropping original column yr renovated
          data.drop(columns=['yr_renovated'], inplace=True)
          executed in 13ms, finished 17:01:24 2021-03-26
In [10]:
          # Taking a look at the cleaned data
          data.head()
          executed in 14ms, finished 17:01:24 2021-03-26
Out[10]:
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	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	condition	grade	yr_bı
0	221900.0	3	1.00	1180	5650	1.0	0.0	3	7	19
1	538000.0	3	2.25	2570	7242	2.0	0.0	3	7	19
2	180000.0	2	1.00	770	10000	1.0	0.0	3	6	19
3	604000.0	4	3.00	1960	5000	1.0	0.0	5	7	19
4	510000.0	3	2.00	1680	8080	1.0	0.0	3	8	19
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1.4 Exploratory Data Analysis

Now that we have cleaned the data, let's examine the distributitions of the columns and examine the descriptive statisitics for the dataset

Lets do a basic plot to see trends to the sale price of the home to the columns



```
In [12]: # Creates subplots comparing price and each column fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=5, figsize=(16,3))

for xcol, ax in zip(['waterfront','condition','grade','yr_built','renovated'], ax data.plot(kind='scatter', x=xcol, y='price', ax=ax, alpha=0.4, color='b')

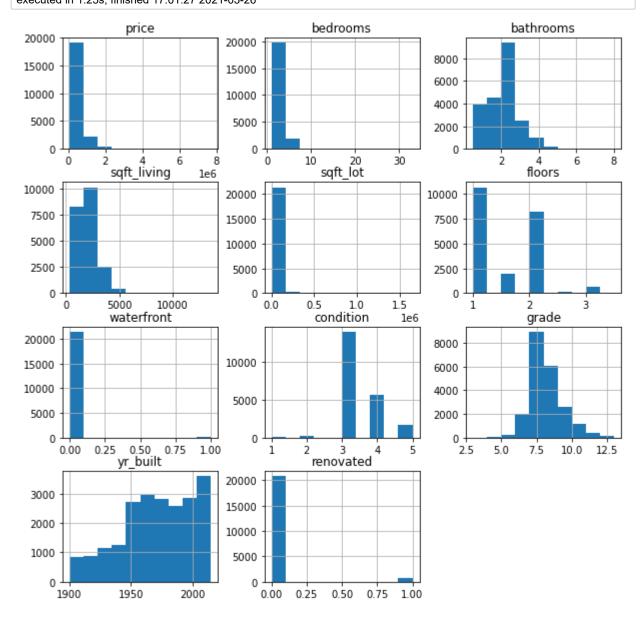
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We can see there are some columns that appear to be categorical at first glance.

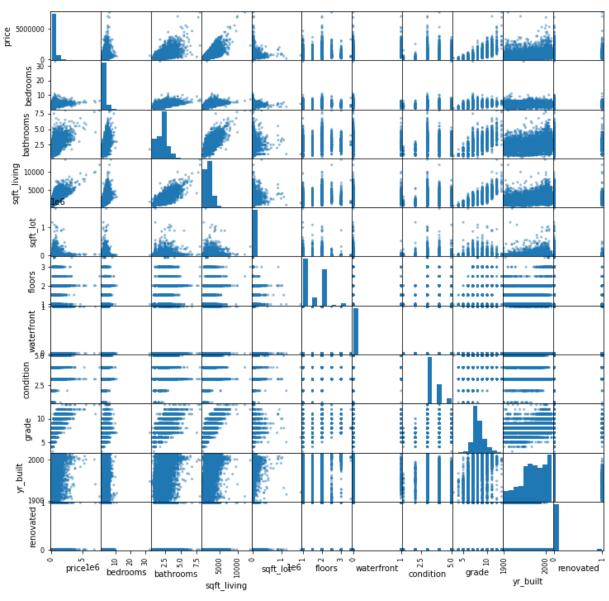
- floors
- · waterfront
- condition
- grade
- renovated

There may be a few outliers in the dataset as well, in particular 'bedrooms'

```
In [13]: # Creates a histogram for each variable
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
fig = plt.figure(figsize = (10,10))
ax = fig.gca()
data.hist(ax = ax);
executed in 1.25s, finished 17:01:27 2021-03-26
```



```
In [14]: # Creates a scatter matrix
pd.plotting.scatter_matrix(data, figsize=[12,12]);
plt.show()
executed in 13.2s, finished 17:01:40 2021-03-26
```



Let's check for Linearity

```
In [15]: for col in data.columns[1:]:
    sns.jointplot(x=col, y='price', data=data, kind='reg');
    executed in 24.5s, finished 17:02:05 2021-03-26
```

• The non-categorical factors appear to be relatively linear

Let's check for **Multicollinearity**.

```
In [16]: # Displays if correlation coefficient values is greater than 0.75
data.corr()
abs(data.corr()) > 0.75
executed in 29ms, finished 17:02:05 2021-03-26
```

Out[16]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	condition	grade
price	True	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
bedrooms	False	True	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
bathrooms	False	False	True	True	False	False	False	False	False
sqft_living	False	False	True	True	False	False	False	False	True
sqft_lot	False	False	False	False	True	False	False	False	False
floors	False	False	False	False	False	True	False	False	False
waterfront	False	False	False	False	False	False	True	False	False
condition	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	True	False
grade	False	False	False	True	False	False	False	False	True
yr_built	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
renovated	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False

```
In [17]: # Finds which column pairs have a CC values > 0.75
    df_mc = data.corr().abs().stack().reset_index().sort_values(0, ascending=False)

    df_mc['pairs'] = list(zip(df_mc.level_0, df_mc.level_1))

    df_mc.set_index(['pairs'], inplace = True)

    df_mc.drop(columns=['level_1', 'level_0'], inplace = True)

# cc for correlation coefficient
    df_mc.columns = ['cc']

    df_mc.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)

    df_mc[(df_mc.cc>.75) & (df_mc.cc<1)]

    executed in 29ms, finished 17:02:05 2021-03-26</pre>
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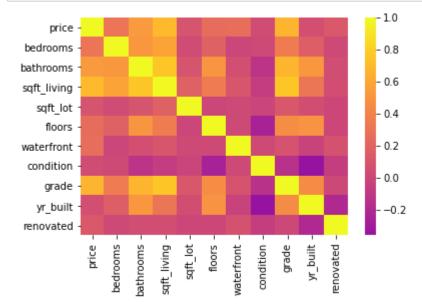
Out[17]:

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pairs	
(grade, sqft_living)	0.762779
(sqft_living, bathrooms)	0.755758

The correlation table tells us that it may be better to drop **sqft_living** as it is highly correlated with other variables.

```
In [18]: # Heatmap for correlation values
import seaborn as sns
sns.heatmap(data.corr(), cmap='plasma', center=0);
executed in 328ms, finished 17:02:05 2021-03-26
```



1.5 Modeling

Now that we have explored the data, we can finally move on to create models to properly see the effects of each of the factors on housing sale prices.

Finally, you'll create a definitive model. This will include fitting an initial regression model, and then conducting statistical analyses of the results. You'll take a look at the p-values of the various features and perform some feature selection. You'll test for regression assumptions including normality, heteroscedasticity, and independence. From these tests, you'll then refine and improve the model, not just for performance, but for interpretability as well.

▼ 1.5.1 Model 1: Initial Regression model

Let's model for a non-editted clean dataset

```
In [19]: #Bring in a clean copy of dataset
data_1 = data.copy()
data_1.head()

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```

Out[19]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	condition	grade	yr_bı
0	221900.0	3	1.00	1180	5650	1.0	0.0	3	7	19
1	538000.0	3	2.25	2570	7242	2.0	0.0	3	7	19
2	180000.0	2	1.00	770	10000	1.0	0.0	3	6	19
3	604000.0	4	3.00	1960	5000	1.0	0.0	5	7	19
4	510000.0	3	2.00	1680	8080	1.0	0.0	3	8	19

In [21]: # Brief preprocessing (normalize)
data_1.columns = [col.replace(' ', '_') for col in data_1.columns]
for col in x_cols:
 data_1[col] = (data_1[col] - data_1[col].mean())/data_1[col].std()
data_1.head()
executed in 31ms, finished 17:02:05 2021-03-26

Out[21]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	condition	gra
0	221900.0	-0.402894	-1.451039	-0.980629	-0.228177	-0.915531	-0.082498	-0.629972	-0.5607
1	538000.0	-0.402894	0.174482	0.533357	-0.189735	0.937409	-0.082498	-0.629972	-0.5607
2	180000.0	-1.482459	-1.451039	-1.427201	-0.123137	-0.915531	-0.082498	-0.629972	-1.4131
3	604000.0	0.676671	1.149794	-0.131054	-0.243873	-0.915531	-0.082498	2.444371	-0.5607
4	510000.0	-0.402894	-0.150622	-0.436030	-0.169499	-0.915531	-0.082498	-0.629972	0.2915
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```
In [22]: # Fitting the actual model
predictors = '+'.join(x_cols)
formula = outcome + '~' + predictors
model = ols(formula=formula, data=data_1).fit()
model.summary()
executed in 61ms, finished 17:02:05 2021-03-26
```

Out[22]:

OLS Regression Results

Dep. Variable: 0.646 price R-squared: OLS Model: Adj. R-squared: 0.646 Method: Least Squares F-statistic: 3936. **Date:** Fri, 26 Mar 2021 Prob (F-statistic): 0.00 Time: 17:02:05 Log-Likelihood: -2.9618e+05 No. Observations: 21597 AIC: 5.924e+05 **Df Residuals:** 21586 BIC: 5.925e+05

Df Model: 10

Covariance Type: nonrobust

	coef	std err	t	P> t	[0.025	0.975]
Intercept	5.403e+05	1488.046	363.091	0.000	5.37e+05	5.43e+05
bedrooms	-3.926e+04	1899.954	-20.661	0.000	-4.3e+04	-3.55e+04
bathrooms	3.797e+04	2676.661	14.186	0.000	3.27e+04	4.32e+04
sqft_living	1.628e+05	3032.354	53.681	0.000	1.57e+05	1.69e+05
sqft_lot	-1.009e+04	1523.012	-6.626	0.000	-1.31e+04	-7106.699
floors	1.109e+04	1868.274	5.937	0.000	7430.270	1.48e+04
waterfront	6.161e+04	1506.519	40.893	0.000	5.87e+04	6.46e+04
condition	1.313e+04	1636.323	8.023	0.000	9920.488	1.63e+04
grade	1.525e+05	2529.246	60.278	0.000	1.47e+05	1.57e+05
yr_built	-1.11e+05	2051.663	-54.096	0.000	-1.15e+05	-1.07e+05
renovated	5148.1096	1568.491	3.282	0.001	2073.751	8222.469

 Omnibus:
 15847.561
 Durbin-Watson:
 1.976

 Prob(Omnibus):
 0.000
 Jarque-Bera (JB):
 1006961.287

 Skew:
 2.936
 Prob(JB):
 0.00

 Kurtosis:
 35.932
 Cond. No.
 4.77

Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

```
In [23]: # Create a function for getting linear regression information from housing datase
         def linear reg sum(data):
             df = data.copy()
             y = df['price']
             X = df.drop(['price'], axis=1)
             X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, rand
              # Training
             linreg = LinearRegression()
             linreg.fit(X train, y train)
             y_hat_train = linreg.predict(X_train)
             y_hat_test = linreg.predict(X_test)
              # Significant score calculations
             print(f'R^2 Score of Train: {metrics.r2_score(y_train, y_hat_train)}')
              print(f'RMSE of Train: {np.sqrt(metrics.mean squared error(y train, y hat tra
             print(f'RMSE of Test: {np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(y_test, y_hat_test)}
          executed in 12ms, finished 17:02:05 2021-03-26
```

In [24]: linear_reg_sum(data_1)

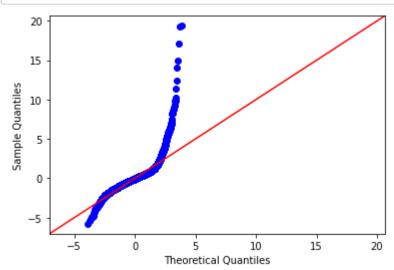
executed in 61ms, finished 17:02:05 2021-03-26

R^2 Score of Train: 0.6462647629327138 RMSE of Train: 218410.57979528894 RMSE of Test: 219640.70438864545

In [25]: # Q-Q plot

fig = sm.graphics.qqplot(model.resid, dist=stats.norm, line='45', fit=True)

executed in 215ms, finished 17:02:05 2021-03-26



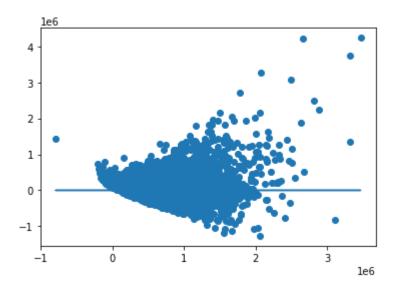
- There were no p-values that were above 0.05
- 'bedrooms', 'sqft_lot', and 'yr_built' appear to be negatively correlated to price
- 'bathrooms,'sqft_living','floors','waterfront','condition','grade', and 'renovated' are positively correlated
- The training and test model RMSE has a difference of 1,000. Appears to be a good model

• The price residuals are quite large. There appears to be large outliers on the high end of price and a few on the lower end.

Let's check for Homoscedasticity:

```
In [26]: plt.scatter(model.predict(data_1[x_cols]), model.resid)
   plt.plot(model.predict(data_1[x_cols]), [0 for i in range(len(data_1))])
   executed in 200ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26
```

Out[26]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x249a3edb9a0>]



Model does not look good it is spreading out. Data is scattered, possibly due to outliers, categorical values, needs to be possibly log transformed.

1.5.2 Model 2: Price Outliers

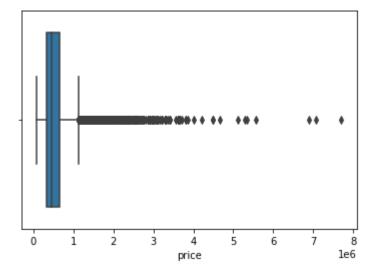
As we have observed on the previous model, let's address the price outliers we saw. This should lead to a better Q-Q plot.

```
In [27]: # Make a copy of data for Model 2
data_2 = data.copy()
executed in 15ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26
```

We need to look at the distribution of 'price' to see what outliers we can remove.

```
In [28]: # Boxplot of price
sns.boxplot(x=data_2['price'])
executed in 122ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26
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Out[28]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='price'>

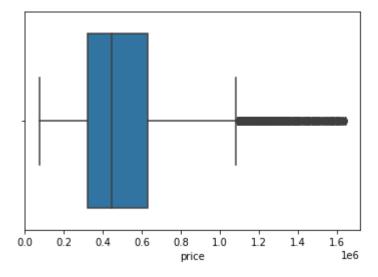


We can see that there are clearly several high priced homes that are outliers.

Let's use the z-score to appropriately remove the outliers

```
In [31]: # Checking cleaned data
sns.boxplot(x=data_2_clean['price'])
executed in 125ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26
```

Out[31]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='price'>



```
In [32]: # Clean copy of data 2 (no normalization)
data_2_no_norm = data_2_clean.copy()
executed in 15ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26
```

In [33]: # Brief preprocessing (normalize)
 data_2_clean.columns = [col.replace(' ', '_') for col in data_2_clean.columns]
 for col in x_cols:
 data_2_clean[col] = (data_2_clean[col] - data_2_clean[col].mean())/data_2_clean_columns
 data_2_clean.head()
 executed in 31ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26

Out[33]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	condition	gra
0	221900.0	-0.388103	-1.477557	-1.018820	-0.227141	-0.904441	-0.061557	-0.628831	-0.5458
1	538000.0	-0.388103	0.220763	0.642392	-0.187736	0.953270	-0.061557	-0.628831	-0.5458
2	180000.0	-1.477989	-1.477557	-1.508818	-0.119471	-0.904441	-0.061557	-0.628831	-1.4476
3	604000.0	0.701784	1.239755	-0.086629	-0.243230	-0.904441	-0.061557	2.453293	-0.5458
4	510000.0	-0.388103	-0.118901	-0.421262	-0.166994	-0.904441	-0.061557	-0.628831	0.3559
4									>

Let's see our new model

```
In [34]: # Define the problem
X = data_2_clean.drop(['price'], axis=1)
y = data_2_clean['price']
executed in 15ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26
```

```
In [35]: # Fitting the actual model
X_int = sm.add_constant(X)
model_2 = sm.OLS(y,X_int).fit()
model_2.summary()
executed in 46ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26
```

Out[35]:

OLS Regression Results

Covariance Type:

Dep. Variable:	price	R-squared:	0.616
Model:	OLS	Adj. R-squared:	0.616
Method:	Least Squares	F-statistic:	3400.
Date:	Fri, 26 Mar 2021	Prob (F-statistic):	0.00
Time:	17:02:06	Log-Likelihood:	-2.8410e+05
No. Observations:	21191	AIC:	5.682e+05
Df Residuals:	21180	BIC:	5.683e+05
Df Madal.	10		

nonrobust

Df Model: 10

	coef	std err	t	P> t	[0.025	0.975]
const	5.07e+05	1104.544	459.022	0.000	5.05e+05	5.09e+05
bedrooms	-1.944e+04	1414.903	-13.739	0.000	-2.22e+04	-1.67e+04
bathrooms	2.673e+04	1927.026	13.872	0.000	2.3e+04	3.05e+04
sqft_living	9.199e+04	2151.404	42.758	0.000	8.78e+04	9.62e+04
sqft_lot	-2695.8273	1130.445	-2.385	0.017	-4911.586	-480.069
floors	1.84e+04	1391.265	13.226	0.000	1.57e+04	2.11e+04
waterfront	1.845e+04	1110.050	16.618	0.000	1.63e+04	2.06e+04
condition	1.307e+04	1212.529	10.781	0.000	1.07e+04	1.54e+04
grade	1.334e+05	1803.797	73.928	0.000	1.3e+05	1.37e+05
yr_built	-9.262e+04	1537.667	-60.233	0.000	-9.56e+04	-8.96e+04
renovated	3096.1535	1162.382	2.664	0.008	817.797	5374.510

 Omnibus:
 3269.616
 Durbin-Watson:
 1.961

 Prob(Omnibus):
 0.000
 Jarque-Bera (JB):
 9201.933

 Skew:
 0.832
 Prob(JB):
 0.00

 Kurtosis:
 5.766
 Cond. No.
 4.55

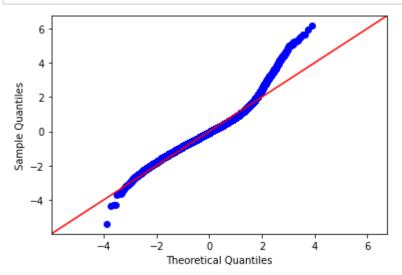
Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

In [36]: linear_reg_sum(data_2_clean)
executed in 30ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26

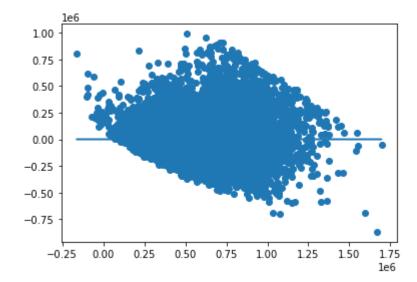
R^2 Score of Train: 0.61677598306974 RMSE of Train: 161831.05989699255 RMSE of Test: 156441.12149477913

In [37]: # Q-Q plot
fig = sm.graphics.qqplot(model_2.resid, dist=stats.norm, line='45', fit=True)
executed in 218ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26



In [38]: plt.scatter(model_2.predict(X_int), model_2.resid)
 plt.plot(model_2.predict(X_int), [0 for i in range(len(X_int))])
 executed in 204ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26

Out[38]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x249a3f000d0>]



- · Q-Q plot is much more normal than before
- R-squared value has reduced due to the removal of datapoints
- RMSE difference between Train and Test are still fine (5k difference)

 Homoscedasticity has improved. There is still a trend, but may be improved on with additional changes

1.5.3 Model 3: Categorical Variables

Let's appropriately analyse the factors again with a few appropriately identified as categoricals.

```
In [39]: # Iterating on Model 1 data
          data 3 = data 2 no norm.copy()
          executed in 14ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26
In [40]: # List out the continuous and categorical variables
          continuous = ['price', 'bedrooms', 'bathrooms', 'sqft_living', 'sqft_lot', 'yr'_bu
          categoricals = ['floors', 'waterfront', 'condition', 'grade', 'renovated']
          executed in 14ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26
In [41]: # Change to str for dummies
          data_3['floors'] = data_3['floors'].apply(str)
          data_3['waterfront'] = data_3['waterfront'].apply(lambda x: 'yes' if x>0 else 'not')
          data 3['condition'] = data 3['condition'].apply(str)
          data 3['grade'] = data 3['grade'].apply(str)
          data_3['renovated'] = data_3['renovated'].apply(lambda x: 'yes' if x>0 else 'no'
          executed in 46ms, finished 17:02:06 2021-03-26
In [42]: # Create Dummies for categorical variables
          data_ohe = pd.get_dummies(data_3[categoricals], prefix=categoricals, drop_first=1
          data ohe.columns
          executed in 30ms, finished 17:02:07 2021-03-26
Out[42]: Index(['floors_1.5', 'floors_2.0', 'floors_2.5', 'floors_3.0', 'floors_3.5',
                  'waterfront_yes', 'condition_2', 'condition_3', 'condition_4',
                  'condition_5', 'grade_11', 'grade_12', 'grade_3', 'grade_4', 'grade_5',
                  'grade 6', 'grade 7', 'grade 8', 'grade 9', 'renovated yes'],
                dtype='object')
In [43]: # normalize the continuous data
          data_cont = data_3[continuous]
          # normalize (subract mean and divide by std)
          def normalize(feature):
              return (feature - feature.mean()) / feature.std()
          data norm = data cont.apply(normalize)
          executed in 15ms, finished 17:02:07 2021-03-26
```

```
In [44]: # Combine data for new dataset for Model 2
  data_3_pc = pd.concat([data_norm, data_ohe], axis=1)
  data_3_pc.head()
  executed in 657ms, finished 17:02:07 2021-03-26
```

Out[44]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	yr_built	floors_1.5	floors_2.0	floors_
0	-1.098851	-0.388103	-1.477557	-1.018820	-0.227141	-0.543841	0	0	
1	0.119438	-0.388103	0.220763	0.642392	-0.187736	-0.680428	0	1	
2	-1.260339	-1.477989	-1.477557	-1.508818	-0.119471	-1.295072	0	0	
3	0.373811	0.701784	1.239755	-0.086629	-0.243230	-0.202372	0	0	
4	0.011523	-0.388103	-0.118901	-0.421262	-0.166994	0.548859	0	0	

5 rows × 26 columns

```
In [45]: X = data_3_pc.drop('price', axis=1)
y = data_3_pc['price']
executed in 14ms, finished 17:02:07 2021-03-26
```

```
In [46]: X_int = sm.add_constant(X)
    model_3 = sm.OLS(y,X_int).fit()
    model_3.summary()
    executed in 63ms, finished 17:02:07 2021-03-26
```

Out[46]:

OLS Regression Results

Dep. Variable: price R-squared: 0.624 Model: OLS Adj. R-squared: 0.623 Method: Least Squares F-statistic: 1403. Fri, 26 Mar 2021 Prob (F-statistic): 0.00 Date: Time: 17:02:07 Log-Likelihood: -19714. No. Observations: 21191 AIC: 3.948e+04

Df Residuals: 21165 **BIC:** 3.969e+04

Df Model: 25

Covariance Type: nonrobust

	coef	std err	t	P> t	[0.025	0.975]
const	1.0619	0.117	9.046	0.000	0.832	1.292
bedrooms	-0.0601	0.006	-10.907	0.000	-0.071	-0.049
bathrooms	0.1142	0.007	15.327	0.000	0.100	0.129
sqft_living	0.3401	0.009	39.864	0.000	0.323	0.357
sqft_lot	-0.0132	0.004	-3.042	0.002	-0.022	-0.005
yr_built	-0.3434	0.007	-52.681	0.000	-0.356	-0.331
floors_1.5	0.0498	0.016	3.054	0.002	0.018	0.082
floors_2.0	0.0480	0.012	3.977	0.000	0.024	0.072
floors_2.5	0.2437	0.054	4.546	0.000	0.139	0.349
floors_3.0	0.4606	0.028	16.313	0.000	0.405	0.516
floors_3.5	0.4144	0.251	1.650	0.099	-0.078	0.906
waterfront_yes	1.1402	0.069	16.488	0.000	1.005	1.276
condition_2	-0.0843	0.124	-0.681	0.496	-0.327	0.158
condition_3	0.0780	0.115	0.678	0.498	-0.148	0.304
condition_4	0.1281	0.115	1.113	0.266	-0.097	0.354
condition_5	0.2695	0.116	2.328	0.020	0.043	0.496
grade_11	0.4815	0.042	11.501	0.000	0.399	0.564
grade_12	1.1011	0.111	9.934	0.000	0.884	1.318
grade_3	-2.2059	0.615	-3.588	0.000	-3.411	-1.001
grade_4	-2.0649	0.122	-16.900	0.000	-2.304	-1.825
grade_5	-2.0950	0.049	-42.620	0.000	-2.191	-1.999
grade_6	-1.8891	0.031	-61.281	0.000	-1.950	-1.829

grade_7	-1.5159	0.026	-59.286	0.000	-1.566	-1.466
grade_8	-1.0884	0.024	-46.283	0.000	-1.135	-1.042
grade_9	-0.4837	0.023	-20.586	0.000	-0.530	-0.438
renovated_yes	0.0869	0.025	3.462	0.001	0.038	0.136

 Omnibus:
 3197.698
 Durbin-Watson:
 1.961

 Prob(Omnibus):
 0.000
 Jarque-Bera (JB):
 9274.025

 Skew:
 0.806
 Prob(JB):
 0.00

 Kurtosis:
 5.812
 Cond. No.
 238.

Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

In [47]: linear_reg_sum(data_3_pc)

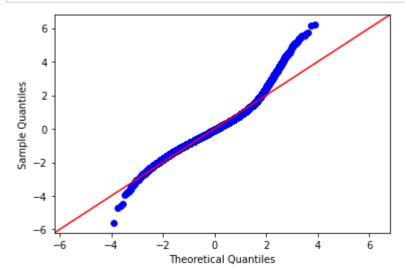
executed in 31ms, finished 17:02:07 2021-03-26

R^2 Score of Train: 0.6253793942236275 RMSE of Train: 0.6166762713232646 RMSE of Test: 0.6014094935086501

In [48]: # Q-Q plot

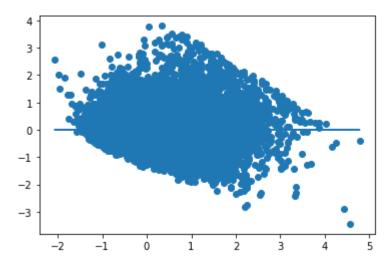
fig = sm.graphics.qqplot(model_3.resid, dist=stats.norm, line='45', fit=True)

executed in 215ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26



```
In [49]: plt.scatter(model_3.predict(X_int), model_3.resid)
   plt.plot(model_3.predict(X_int), [0 for i in range(len(data_3_pc))])
   executed in 223ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
```

Out[49]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x249a2e9cfd0>]



- · Q-Q plot is similar to Model 2
- · R-squared value has increased from Model 2
- RMSE difference between Train and Test are still fine
- Homoscedasticity has slightly improved. There is still a trend, but may be improved on with additional changes

▼ 1.5.4 Model 4: Log Transform

Let's log transform the model data to transform the skewed data to normal

```
In [50]: # Iterating on Model 1 data
    data_4 = data_2_no_norm.copy()
    executed in 13ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26

In [51]: # List out the continuous and categorical variables
    continuous = ['price', 'bedrooms', 'bathrooms', 'sqft_living', 'sqft_lot', 'yr_bt
    categoricals = ['floors', 'waterfront', 'condition', 'grade', 'renovated']
    executed in 15ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
```

```
In [52]: # Change to str for dummies
         data_4['floors'] = data_4['floors'].apply(str)
         data_4['waterfront'] = data_4['waterfront'].apply(lambda x: 'yes' if x>0 else 'not')
         data 4['condition'] = data 4['condition'].apply(str)
         data_4['grade'] = data_4['grade'].apply(str)
         data_4['renovated'] = data_4['renovated'].apply(lambda x: 'yes' if x>0 else 'no'
         executed in 31ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
In [53]: # Create Dummies for categorical variables
         data_ohe = pd.get_dummies(data_4[categoricals], prefix=categoricals, drop_first=1
         data ohe.columns
         executed in 31ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
Out[53]: Index(['floors_1.5', 'floors_2.0', 'floors_2.5', 'floors_3.0', 'floors_3.5',
                 'waterfront_yes', 'condition_2', 'condition_3', 'condition_4',
                 'condition_5', 'grade_11', 'grade_12', 'grade_3', 'grade_4', 'grade_5',
                 'grade 6', 'grade 7', 'grade 8', 'grade 9', 'renovated yes'],
                dtype='object')
In [54]: # Log transform and normalize
         data_cont = data_4[continuous]
         # Log features
         log names = [f'{column} log' for column in data cont.columns]
         data log = np.log(data cont)
         data log.columns = log names
         # normalize (subract mean and divide by std)
         def normalize(feature):
             return (feature - feature.mean()) / feature.std()
         data log norm = data log.apply(normalize)
```

executed in 14ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26

```
In [55]: # Combine data for new dataset for Model 3
    data_4_pc = pd.concat([data_log_norm, data_ohe], axis=1)
    data_4_pc.head()
    executed in 29ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
```

Out[55]:

	price_log	bedrooms_log	bathrooms_log	sqft_living_log	sqft_lot_log	yr_built_log	floors_1.5	fl
0	-1.463747	-0.263828	-1.725013	-1.124885	-0.375587	-0.536613	0	_
1	0.365886	-0.263828	0.372979	0.772925	-0.099188	-0.673950	0	
2	-1.896080	-1.700993	-1.725013	-2.165666	0.260100	-1.295470	0	
3	0.604944	0.755857	1.117254	0.112289	-0.511667	-0.194497	0	
4	0.255468	-0.263828	0.068258	-0.263548	0.022726	0.552070	0	

5 rows × 26 columns

In [56]: X = data_4_pc.drop('price_log', axis=1)
y = data_4_pc['price_log']
executed in 15ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26

In [57]: display(X.head())
display(y.head())
executed in 30ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26

	bedrooms_log	bathrooms_log	sqft_living_log	sqft_lot_log	yr_built_log	floors_1.5	floors_2.0	f
0	-0.263828	-1.725013	-1.124885	-0.375587	-0.536613	0	0	
1	-0.263828	0.372979	0.772925	-0.099188	-0.673950	0	1	
2	-1.700993	-1.725013	-2.165666	0.260100	-1.295470	0	0	
3	0.755857	1.117254	0.112289	-0.511667	-0.194497	0	0	
4	-0.263828	0.068258	-0.263548	0.022726	0.552070	0	0	

5 rows × 25 columns

0 -1.463747

1 0.365886

2 -1.896080

3 0.604944

4 0.255468

Name: price_log, dtype: float64

BIC: 4.088e+04

```
In [58]: X_int = sm.add_constant(X)
    model_4 = sm.OLS(y,X_int).fit()
    model_4.summary()
    executed in 59ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
```

Out[58]:

OLS Regression Results

Dep. Variable: price_log R-squared: 0.602 Model: OLS Adj. R-squared: 0.601 Method: Least Squares F-statistic: 1280. Fri, 26 Mar 2021 Prob (F-statistic): 0.00 Date: Time: 17:02:08 Log-Likelihood: -20310. No. Observations: 21191 **AIC:** 4.067e+04

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Df Residuals: 21165

Covariance Type: nonrobust

Df Model:

	coef	std err	t	P> t	[0.025	0.975]
const	0.7789	0.121	6.453	0.000	0.542	1.015
bedrooms_log	-0.0889	0.006	-14.977	0.000	-0.101	-0.077
bathrooms_log	0.0924	0.008	11.750	0.000	0.077	0.108
sqft_living_log	0.3955	0.009	42.447	0.000	0.377	0.414
sqft_lot_log	-0.0728	0.005	-13.931	0.000	-0.083	-0.063
yr_built_log	-0.3462	0.007	-51.145	0.000	-0.360	-0.333
floors_1.5	0.0571	0.017	3.387	0.001	0.024	0.090
floors_2.0	0.0449	0.013	3.514	0.000	0.020	0.070
floors_2.5	0.1174	0.055	2.121	0.034	0.009	0.226
floors_3.0	0.3893	0.031	12.735	0.000	0.329	0.449
floors_3.5	0.4204	0.258	1.627	0.104	-0.086	0.927
waterfront_yes	0.8908	0.071	12.498	0.000	0.751	1.031
condition_2	-0.0496	0.127	-0.389	0.697	-0.299	0.200
condition_3	0.2595	0.118	2.192	0.028	0.027	0.492
condition_4	0.2983	0.118	2.519	0.012	0.066	0.530
condition_5	0.4206	0.119	3.532	0.000	0.187	0.654
grade_11	0.3050	0.043	7.144	0.000	0.221	0.389
grade_12	0.5673	0.114	4.996	0.000	0.345	0.790
grade_3	-1.7915	0.633	-2.831	0.005	-3.032	-0.551
grade_4	-2.2013	0.126	-17.413	0.000	-2.449	-1.954
grade_5	-2.2102	0.051	-43.478	0.000	-2.310	-2.111
grade_6	-1.8675	0.031	-59.702	0.000	-1.929	-1.806

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0.025 -55.398 0.000 -1.441 -1.342
      grade_7 -1.3915
      grade_8 -0.9111
                         0.023 -39.196 0.000 -0.957 -0.866
      grade_9 -0.3646
                         0.024 -15.268
                                        0.000
                                              -0.411 -0.318
renovated_yes
                0.0137
                         0.026
                                 0.530 0.596 -0.037
                                                      0.064
     Omnibus: 93.917
                         Durbin-Watson:
                                            1.965
Prob(Omnibus):
                 0.000 Jarque-Bera (JB):
                                          107.397
        Skew:
                -0.112
                               Prob(JB): 4.77e-24
      Kurtosis:
                 3.267
                               Cond. No.
                                             243.
```

Notes:

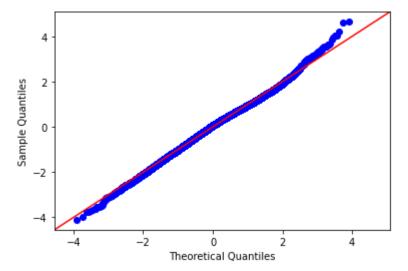
[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

```
In [59]: # Create a function for getting linear regression information from housing datase
         def linear reg sum log(data):
             df = data.copy()
             y = df['price_log']
             X = df.drop(['price_log'], axis=1)
             X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, rand
             # Training
             linreg = LinearRegression()
             linreg.fit(X train, y train)
             y hat train = linreg.predict(X train)
             y_hat_test = linreg.predict(X_test)
             # Significant score calculations
             print(f'R^2 Score of Train: {metrics.r2_score(y_train, y_hat_train)}')
             print(f'RMSE of Train: {np.sqrt(metrics.mean squared error(y train, y hat tra
             print(f'RMSE of Test: {np.sqrt(metrics.mean squared error(y test, y hat test)
         executed in 14ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
```

```
In [60]: linear_reg_sum_log(data_4_pc) executed in 44ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
```

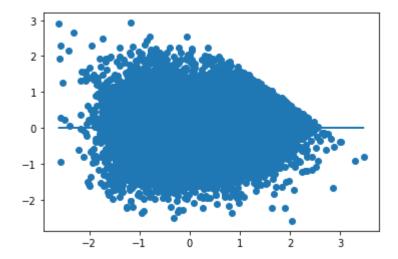
R^2 Score of Train: 0.6023678834040344 RMSE of Train: 0.6325323400670484 RMSE of Test: 0.6251384954320163

```
In [61]: # Q-Q plot
fig = sm.graphics.qqplot(model_4.resid, dist=stats.norm, line='45', fit=True)
executed in 189ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
```



```
In [62]: plt.scatter(model_4.predict(X_int), model_4.resid)
plt.plot(model_4.predict(X_int), [0 for i in range(len(data_4_pc))])
executed in 170ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
```

Out[62]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x249a16f08e0>]



- R-squared value went down from Model 3, but not by a large amount. **60% of the variation in** price can be explained by the factors in the model
- Q-Q plot appears to be linear. It is very close to 0 residuals. Best Q-Q plot thus far!
- Homoscedasticity has improved from Model 3. Best Homoscedasticity thus far!

• Largest factors for better home prices are **whether the home is along a waterfront** and having a good **grade** and **condition** of the home.

Model 4 with the previous iterations is the best model to observe the effects of the variables on Housing sale prices.

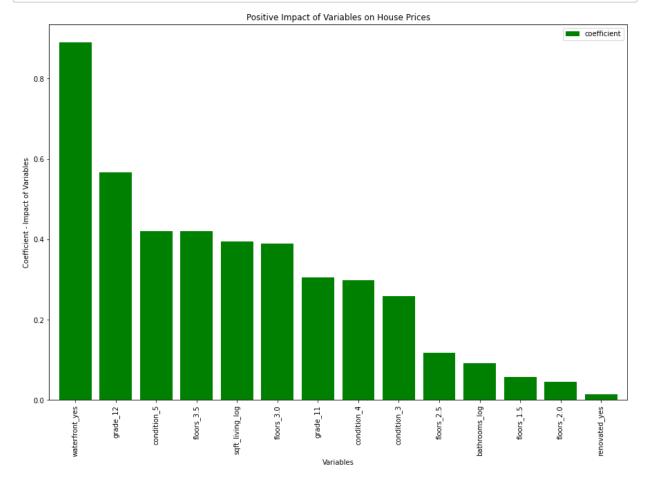
```
In [63]: # Let's get the coefficients
          from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
          linreg = LinearRegression()
          linreg.fit(X, y)
          executed in 26ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
Out[63]: LinearRegression()
In [64]: linreg.coef_
          executed in 12ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
Out[64]: array([-0.08887593, 0.09242832,
                                             0.39547839, -0.0728257, -0.3462355,
                  0.05710396,
                               0.04492364, 0.11741703, 0.38928367, 0.42043744,
                  0.89081643, -0.04957772, 0.25946036, 0.29825495, 0.42064787,
                  0.30495806, 0.56732451, -1.79150016, -2.2013249, -2.21024722,
                 -1.86750937, -1.39154091, -0.91114017, -0.36455841, 0.01368457)
In [65]: coeff_df = pd.DataFrame(linreg.coef_, X.columns, columns = ['coefficient'])
          executed in 12ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26
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In [66]: coeff_df.value_counts()
executed in 14ms, finished 17:02:08 2021-03-26

Out[66]: coefficient

0.890816 1 0.013685 1 -2.201325 1 -1.867509 1 -1.791500 1 1 -1.391541 1 -0.911140 1 -0.364558 -0.346235 1 1 -0.088876 1 -0.072826 1 -0.049578 1 0.044924 0.567325 1 0.057104 1 1 0.092428 1 0.117417 1 0.259460 1 0.298255 0.304958 1 0.389284 1 1 0.395478 1 0.420437 0.420648 1 1 -2.210247 dtype: int64

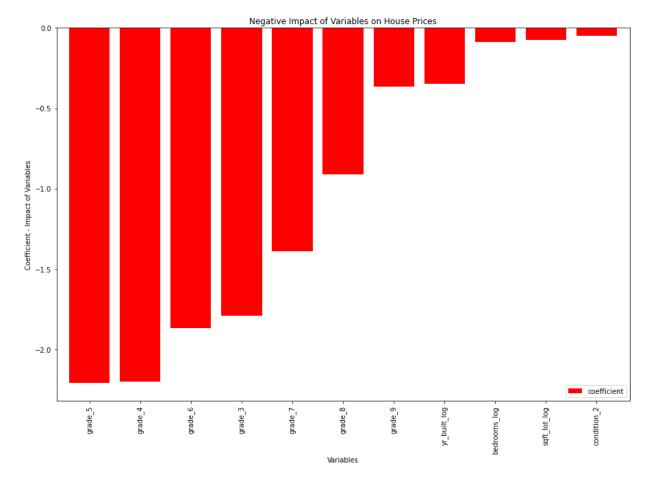
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In [67]: # Create a barplot of positive impacting factors
    ax = coeff_df[coeff_df['coefficient'] > 0].sort_values(by=['coefficient'], ascend
    ax.set_title("Positive Impact of Variables on House Prices")
    ax.set_xlabel("Variables")
    ax.set_ylabel("Coefficient - Impact of Variables");
    executed in 283ms, finished 17:02:09 2021-03-26
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In [68]: # Create a barplot of positive impacting factors
    ax = coeff_df[coeff_df['coefficient'] < 0].sort_values(by=['coefficient']).plot(kax.set_title("Negative Impact of Variables on House Prices")
    ax.set_xlabel("Variables")
    ax.set_ylabel("Coefficient - Impact of Variables");
    ax.legend(loc='lower right')

executed in 227ms, finished 17:02:09 2021-03-26</pre>
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Out[68]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x249a31be550>



1.6 Conclusions

The analysis of the housing sale price datasets resulted in the following conclusions:

- Having a **Waterfront** has the largest impact on house sale prices. It may be good to increase prices on these homes as customers are more willing to pay the premium.
- A great Condition and Grade of a home are the second most important to a higher price
 payed for the home. Thus, Renovations increases the prices if it provides an improvement to
 the overall condition and grade. Random renovations may not have a great impact on the
 price of a home.

Having a larger living space as seen with increase Sq.ft.of Living Space and more Floors
can increase the price of the home. It makes sense as people will pay for more space.

▼ 1.7 Next Steps

Further analyses of the housing price dataset could yield additional insights to other recommendations:

- · Finding the best locations in King County that yield higher house sale prices
- · Creating an estimation tool for a home based on inputting the correlated factors
- · Analyzing factors further to estimate homes for a lower budget customer