

King County Housing with Multiple Linear Regression

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Notebook 1: Business Problem and Data Understanding

This notebook contains an introduction to our project, our business problem, the full project plan, how all our data were obtained, and an exploration of our data with EDA.

Overview

We have been tasked with analyzing the data of houses in King County. Our goal is to make accurate predictions about the sale price of houses based on certain variables or features, so that the data can be used to make profitable decisions by a housing development company. After careful consideration and evaluation of our data, and many iterations of our linear regression model, we have determined that square-feet of living space, building grade, and proximity to top schools, coffee shops, and churches of Scientology all are correlated with a higher selling price in King County.

Business Problem

Our stakeholders in a housing development company are searching for the qualities that lead to higher home sale prices. We will be reviewing building grade, square-footage of living space, and location-related factors such as proximity to schools, coffee shops, parks, and Scientology.

churches to determine which factors are highly correlated with home sale prices.

Hypotheses

Null hypothesis (H0): There is no relationship between our features and our target variable.

Alternative hypothesis (Ha): There is a relationship between our features and our target price.

We will be using a significance level (alpha) of 0.05 to make our determination, and will make final recommendations accordingly.

Data Understanding

We utilized a few different data sources for our model so that we could obtain a comprehensive and accurate prediction of home prices.

- King County House Data: a dataset that we were provided at the onset of the project contains data for 21,597 homes built in King County from 1900 to 2015. Each home contains information regarding features such as number of bedrooms/bathrooms, floors, square footage, zip code, condition, and more.
- Urban Institute Education Data: The Urban Institute is a nonprofit research organization. Education Data Explorer "...harmonizes data from all major federal datasets, including Department of Education Common Core of Data, the US Department of Education Data Collection, the US Department of Education EDData, the US Census Bureau Income and Poverty Estimates, the US Department of Education Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, the US Department of Education College Scorecard, and the Historical Geographic Information System." Custom-generated report provides details such as name and location (lat, long) of school, zip code, and which school district it belongs to.
- Niche.com: school rankings for top King County school districts.
- Yelp API: Used to obtain the top-rated coffee shops for King County.
- Web-scraped data from KingCounty.gov parks website
(<https://www.kingcounty.gov/services/parks-recreation/parks/parks-and-natural-lands/parksatoz.aspx> (<https://www.kingcounty.gov/services/parks-recreation/parks-and-natural-lands/parksatoz.aspx>))
- Scientology church location information from [scientology-seattle.org](http://www.scientology-seattle.org).
- Building grade categorical descriptions from
<https://info.kingcounty.gov/assessor/esales/Glossary.aspx?type=r>
(<https://info.kingcounty.gov/assessor/esales/Glossary.aspx?type=r>).

```
In [227]: importing the packages we will be using for this project
port pandas as pd
setting pandas display to avoid scientific notation in my dataframe
.options.display.float_format = '{:.2f}'.format
port numpy as np
port matplotlib.pyplot as plt
port seaborn as sns
port sklearn

om bs4 import BeautifulSoup
port json
port requests

port folium

port haversine as hs

port statsmodels.api as sm
om statsmodels.formula.api import ols
om statsmodels.stats import diagnostic as diag
om statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import variance_inflation

om sklearn.metrics import r2_score
om sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
om sklearn.neighbors import NearestNeighbors
om sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
om sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score, mean_abso

port scipy.stats as stats

port pylab

atplotlib inline
```

King County House Data

```
In [228]: # reading the csv file
df = pd.read_csv('data/kc_house_data.csv')
# previewing the DataFrame
df.head()
```

Out[228]:

	id	date	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floo
0	7129300520	10/13/2014	221900.00	3	1.00	1180	5650	1.0
1	6414100192	12/9/2014	538000.00	3	2.25	2570	7242	2.0
2	5631500400	2/25/2015	180000.00	2	1.00	770	10000	1.0
3	2487200875	12/9/2014	604000.00	4	3.00	1960	5000	1.0
4	1954400510	2/18/2015	510000.00	3	2.00	1680	8080	1.0

5 rows × 21 columns

```
In [229]: # getting info for DataFrame
df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 21597 entries, 0 to 21596
Data columns (total 21 columns):
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
dtypes: float64(8), int64(11), object(2)
memory usage: 3.5+ MB
```

```
In [230]: df.shape
```

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Out[230]: (21597, 21)
```

```
In [231]: df.price.describe()
```

```
Out[231]: count      21597.00
mean       540296.57
std        367368.14
min         78000.00
25%        322000.00
50%        450000.00
75%        645000.00
max       7700000.00
Name: price, dtype: float64
```

This dataset contains a wide price range for houses from 78,000 dollars all the way up million dollars. The mean house price is 540,297 dollars, while the median house price dollars.

```
In [232]: # checking the dispersion of years built
df.yr_built.describe()
```

```
Out[232]: count    21597.00
          mean      1971.00
          std        29.38
          min      1900.00
          25%      1951.00
          50%      1975.00
          75%      1997.00
          max      2015.00
          Name: yr_built, dtype: float64
```

```
In [233]: # getting counts for each value in condition column
df['condition'].value_counts()
```

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Out[233]: 3    14020
          4     5677
          5     1701
          2      170
          1       29
          Name: condition, dtype: int64
```

```
In [234]: # getting counts for each value in zipcode column
df['zipcode'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[234]: 98103     602
          98038     589
          98115     583
          98052     574
          98117     553
          ...
          98102     104
          98010     100
          98024      80
          98148      57
          98039      50
          Name: zipcode, Length: 70, dtype: int64
```

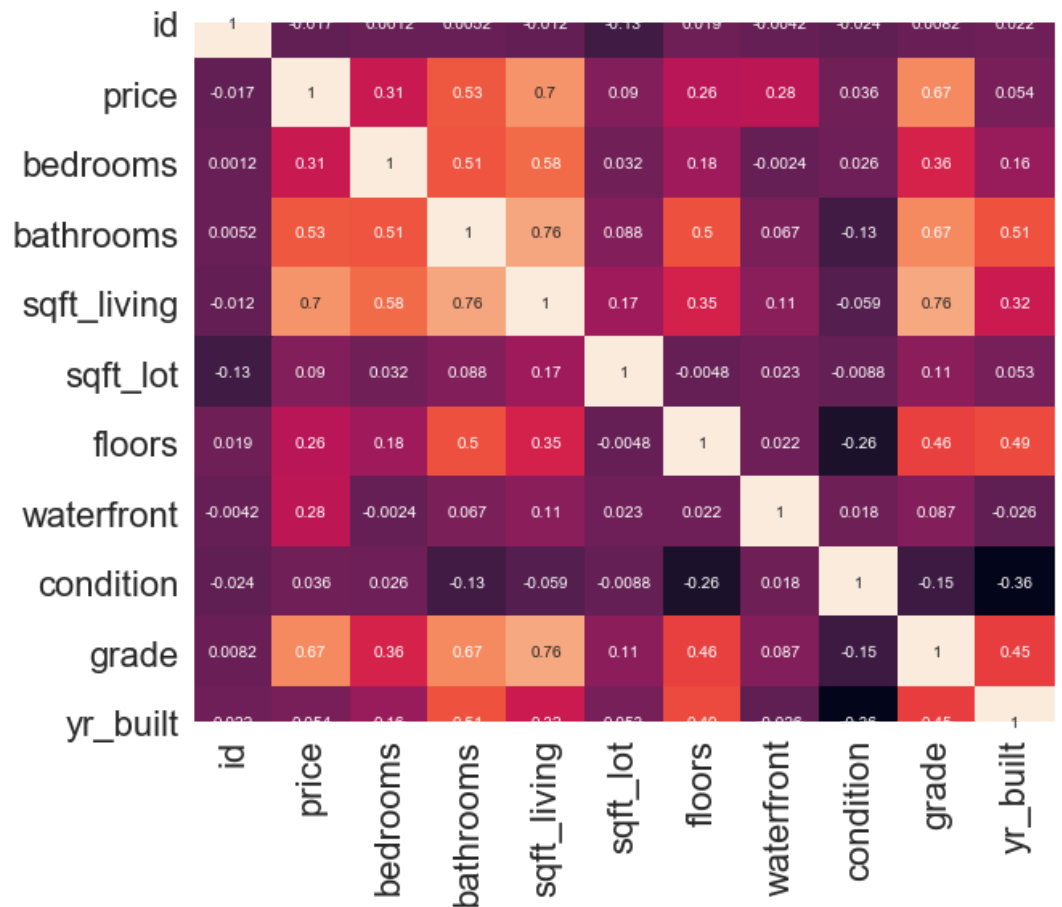
```
In [235]: # getting descriptive statistics for square footage
df['sqft_living'].describe()
```

```
Out[235]: count    21597.00
          mean     2080.32
          std      918.11
          min      370.00
          25%     1430.00
          50%     1910.00
          75%     2550.00
          max     13540.00
          Name: sqft_living, dtype: float64
```

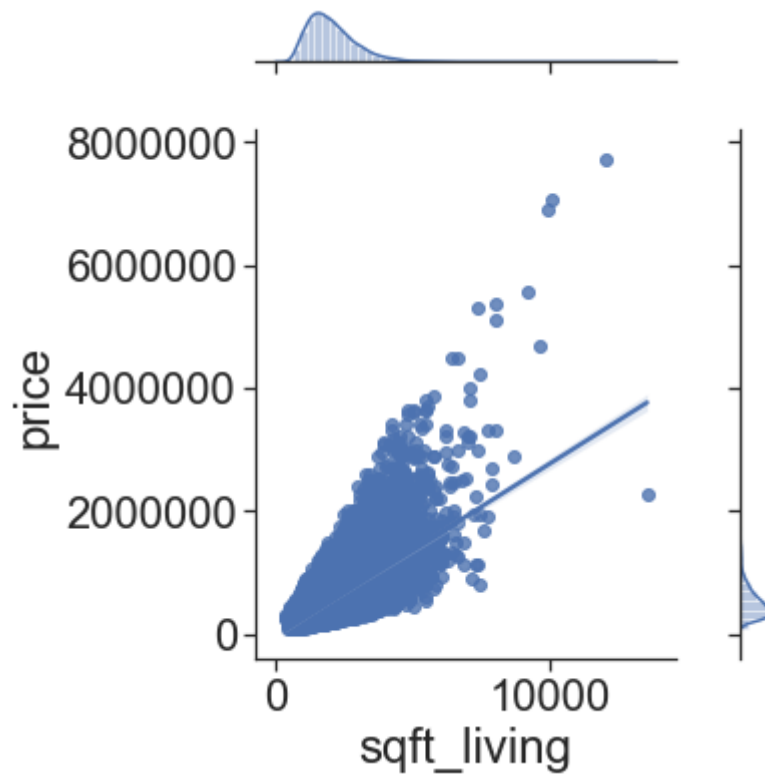
The mean square-feet of living space is 2,080 square feet, but there are houses as small as 370 sqft and as large as 13,540 sqft in this dataset.

```
In [236]: # remove unwanted columns
drop_vars = ['date', 'view', 'sqft_above', 'sqft_basement', 'yr_built',
             'zipcode', 'lat', 'long', 'sqft_living15', 'sqft_lot15']
df_corr = df.drop(columns=drop_vars)

# generate heatmap to display correlations
corr = df_corr.corr()
f, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 8))
sns.heatmap(corr, annot=True);
```

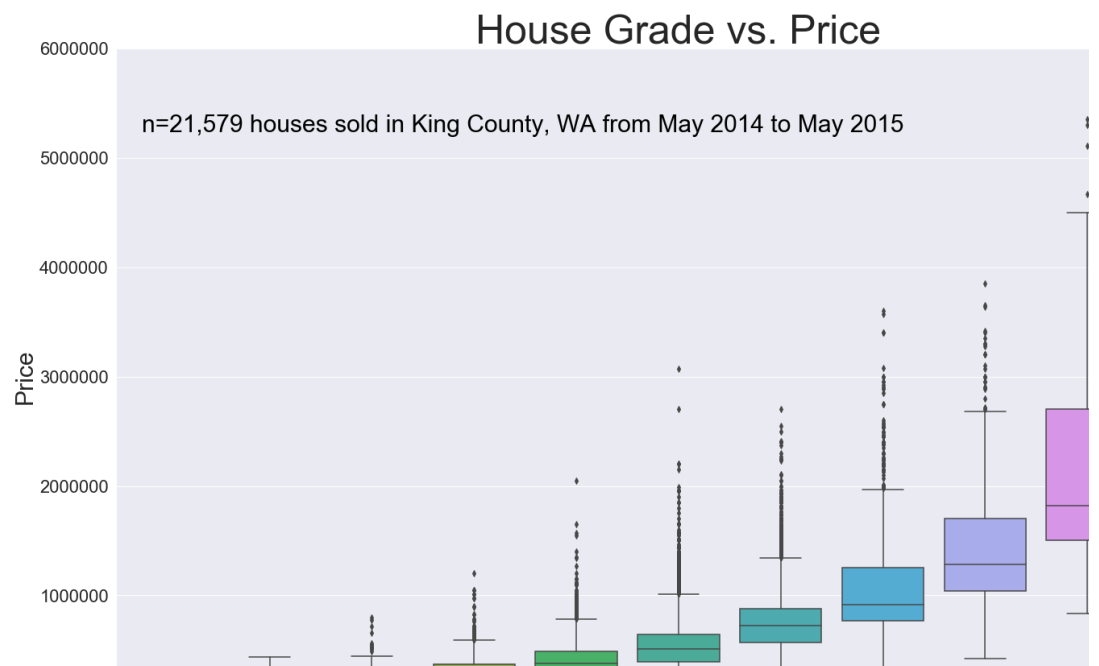


```
In [334]: # examining the relationship between sqft_living and price
sns.jointplot('sqft_living', 'price', data=df, kind='reg')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.savefig('./visualizations/sqft_reg.png');
```



The visualization above demonstrates that there seems to be a relatively strong linear relationship between square feet of living space and the price of a house.

```
In [238]: #grade
plt.figure(figsize=(25,15))
sns.set(font_scale=2)
pal = sns.color_palette("husl", 8)
ax = sns.boxplot(x="grade", y="price", data=df_train)
ax.set_title('House Grade vs. Price', fontsize=50)
ax.set_ylabel('Price', fontsize=30)
ax.set_xlabel('Grade', fontsize=30)
ax.set_ylim(bottom=0, top=6000000)
ax.text(.7, .9, 'n=21,579 houses sold in King County, WA from May',
       color='black', fontsize=30,
       horizontalalignment='right',
       verticalalignment='top',
       transform=ax.transAxes);
plt.savefig('./visualizations/grade.png');
```



When we look at grade, we can see that as the categorical building grade designation the house price does indeed rise as well. This makes sense, as the definition for a building grade 13 is, "Generally custom designed and built. Mansion level. Large amount of highest quality work, wood trim, marble, entry ways etc." We can see in the boxplots above that the median price for a home with a grade of 13 is far above even the max value for any other grade. The definition of a building grade of 3 is, "Falls short of minimum building standards. No or inferior structure." We can see this clearly demonstrated in the selling prices of houses at the lower end of grade.


```
In [239]: df.grade.value_counts()
```

```
Out[239]: 7      8974
          8      6065
          9      2615
          6      2038
         10      1134
         11       399
          5       242
         12        89
          4        27
         13         13
          3          1
          Name: grade, dtype: int64
```

The most common building grade is a 7, which is defined as, "Average grade of constr design."

Urban Institute Education Data

King County Schools

We began by calculating the distance from each home to a school, to see if there was connection between school proximity and house price.

```
In [240]: # loading and previewing school data
schools = pd.read_csv('data/EducationDataPortal_11.22.2020_schools.csv')
schools.head()
```

```
Out[240]:
```

	year	ncessch	school_name	state_name	lea_name	zip_location	latitude	lon
0	2015	530000100376	Black Diamond Elementary	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98010	47.31	
1	2015	530000100377	Byron Kibler Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.21	
2	2015	530000100379	Enumclaw Sr High School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.19	
3	2015	530000100382	Southwood Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.19	
4	2015	530000100383	Westwood Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.23	

```
In [241]: # getting value counts for school county codes  
schools.county_code.value_counts()
```

```
Out[241]: 53033.00    518  
          53053.00    284  
          53061.00    223  
          53063.00    175  
          53011.00    135  
          53077.00    113  
          53035.00     80  
          53067.00     79  
          53073.00     69  
          53005.00     61  
          53025.00     55  
          53015.00     48  
          53057.00     48  
          53041.00     46  
          53065.00     42  
          53027.00     41  
          53007.00     39  
          53021.00     36  
          53047.00     33  
          53071.00     30  
          53009.00     29  
          53029.00     26  
          53075.00     26  
          53039.00     22  
          53045.00     22  
          53017.00     21  
          53037.00     20  
          53049.00     20  
          53043.00     16  
          53031.00     15  
          53001.00     15  
          53055.00     14  
          53019.00     12  
          53003.00     12  
          53059.00     11  
          53051.00      9  
          53013.00      4  
          53023.00      2  
          53069.00      2  
Name: county_code, dtype: int64
```

```
In [242]: # filtering dataframe to show only King County schools
# King County's county code is 53033 as per county website
schools = schools.loc[schools['county_code']==53033]
schools.head()
```

Out[242]:

	year	ncessch	school_name	state_name	lea_name	zip_location	latitude	lon
0	2015	530000100376	Black Diamond Elementary	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98010	47.31	
1	2015	530000100377	Byron Kibler Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.21	
2	2015	530000100379	Enumclaw Sr High School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.19	
3	2015	530000100382	Southwood Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.19	
4	2015	530000100383	Westwood Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.23	

```
In [243]: schools.shape
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Out[243]: (518, 11)

```
In [244]: # resetting index after filtering
schools.reset_index(inplace=True)
schools.head()
```

Out[244]:

	index	year	ncessch	school_name	state_name	lea_name	zip_location	latitude	lon
0	0	2015	530000100376	Black Diamond Elementary	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98010	47.31	
1	1	2015	530000100377	Byron Kibler Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.21	
2	2	2015	530000100379	Enumclaw Sr High School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.19	
3	3	2015	530000100382	Southwood Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.19	
4	4	2015	530000100383	Westwood Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.23	

```
In [245]: # dropping extra index column
schools.drop(columns='index', inplace=True, axis=1)
```

```
In [246]: schools.head()
```

```
Out[246]:
```

	year	ncessch	school_name	state_name	lea_name	zip_location	latitude	lon
0	2015	530000100376	Black Diamond Elementary	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98010	47.31	
1	2015	530000100377	Byron Kibler Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.21	
2	2015	530000100379	Enumclaw Sr High School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.19	
3	2015	530000100382	Southwood Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.19	
4	2015	530000100383	Westwood Elementary School	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.23	

```
In [247]: # checking for duplicates
schools.school_name.duplicated().sum()
```

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Out[247]: 11
```

```
In [248]: # showing duplicates for school name
schools.loc[schools.school_name.duplicated()==True]
```

Out[248]:

	year	ncessch	school_name	state_name	lea_name	zip_location	latitude
28	2015	530030002904	Special Ed School	Washington	Auburn School District	98002	47.31
123	2015	530354000522	Cascade Middle School	Washington	Highline School District	98146	47.50
125	2015	530354000524	Chinook Middle School	Washington	Highline School District	98188	47.44
160	2015	530354003373	Gateway to College	Washington	Highline School District	98146	47.50
203	2015	530396000628	Panther Lake Elementary School	Washington	Kent School District	98031	47.41
321	2015	530591001993	Sunrise Elementary	Washington	Northshore School District	98052	47.73
333	2015	530723001071	Hazelwood Elementary School	Washington	Renton School District	98056	47.54
337	2015	530723001076	Lakeridge Elementary School	Washington	Renton School District	98178	47.50
411	2015	530771001229	Olympic View Elementary School	Washington	Seattle Public Schools	98115	47.70
456	2015	530771003361	Rainier View Elementary School	Washington	Seattle Public Schools	98178	47.50
482	2015	530792003445	Head Start	Washington	Shoreline School District	98133	47.75

```
In [249]: # reviewing duplicates
schools.loc[schools.school_name=='Panther Lake Elementary School']
```

Out[249]:

	year	ncessch	school_name	state_name	lea_name	zip_location	latitude
99	2015	530282001767	Panther Lake Elementary School	Washington	Federal Way School District	98003	47.29
203	2015	530396000628	Panther Lake Elementary School	Washington	Kent School District	98031	47.41

```
In [250]: schools.loc[schools.school_name=='Cascade Middle School']
```

Out[250]:

	year	ncessch	school_name	state_name	lea_name	zip_location	latitude
12	2015	530030000033	Cascade Middle School	Washington	Auburn School District	98002	47.33
123	2015	530354000522	Cascade Middle School	Washington	Highline School District	98146	47.50

```
In [251]: schools.loc[schools.school_name=='Sunrise Elementary']
```

Out[251]:

	year	ncessch	school_name	state_name	lea_name	zip_location	latitude
5	2015	530000100478	Sunrise Elementary	Washington	Enumclaw School District	98022	47.19
321	2015	530591001993	Sunrise Elementary	Washington	Northshore School District	98052	47.73

When reviewing the 11 duplicates for "school_name", it was apparent that these were not duplicate entries, but rather, different institutions with the same name in different school districts

```
In [252]: # checking for null values
schools.isnull().sum()
```

```
Out[252]: year                0
          ncessch             0
          school_name         0
          state_name          0
          lea_name            0
          zip_location        0
          latitude            0
          longitude           0
          county_code         0
          school_level        0
          school_type         0
          dtype: int64
```

```
In [253]: school_coordinates = []
x = round(schools.latitude, 2)
y = round(schools.longitude, 2)
school_coordinates = list(zip(x,y))
```

```
In [254]: def distance_to(point_of_interest):
          """
          Calculates distance between point of interest and a house.

          Takes in coordinates for point of interest as latitude and longitude
          Calculates distance from each point in dataframe (df) to point of interest
          Uses haversine formula to calculate distance and return as kilometers
          Can set distances as new column of dataframe by using df['new_column'] = distance_to(df)

          Parameters:
          point_of_interest (float): user input coordinates (latitude, longitude)

          Returns:
          Distances in kilometers, using haversine formula.

          """
          distance = df[['lat', 'long']].apply(lambda x: hs.haversine(x, point_of_interest), axis=1)
          return distance
```

```
In [255]: for i in range(len(school_coordinates)):
          df[f'school_{i}'] = distance_to(school_coordinates[i])

          school_cols = []
          for i in range(len(school_coordinates)):
              school_cols.append(f'school_{i}')
          df['closest_distance_to_school'] = df[school_cols].min(axis=1)
```

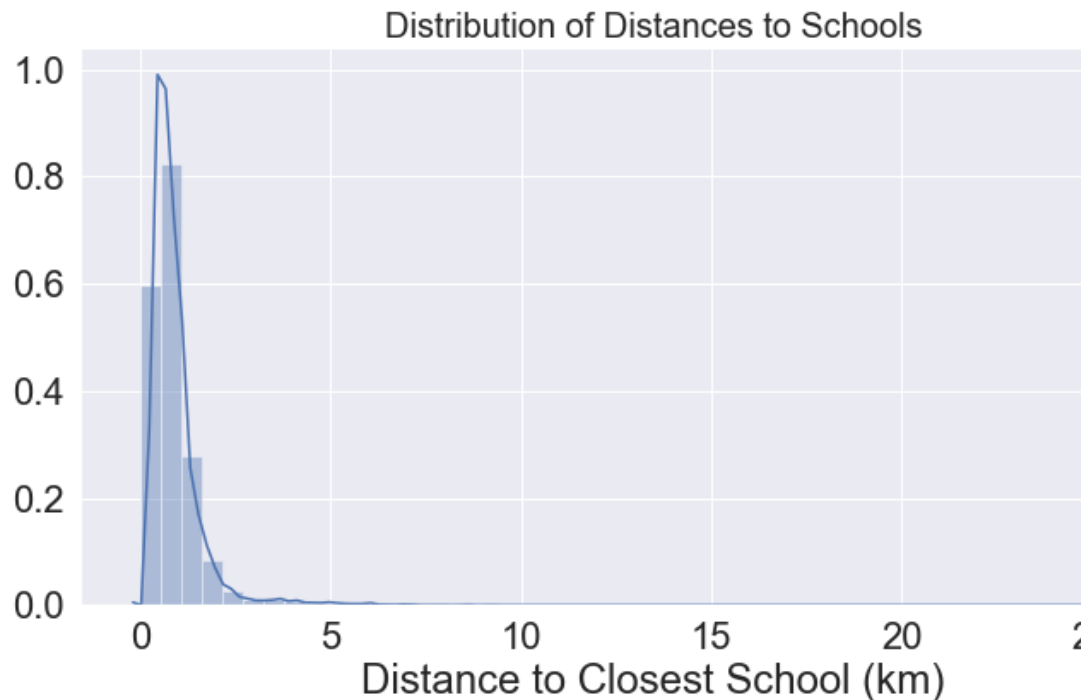
```
In [256]: df.closest_distance_to_school.describe()
```

```
Out[256]: count    21597.00  
mean         0.88  
std          0.77  
min          0.00  
25%          0.47  
50%          0.71  
75%          1.06  
max          26.95  
Name: closest_distance_to_school, dtype: float64
```

The closest distance to a school is 0.00 km (house located at the exact same latitude & longitude as a school building). The farthest distance is 26.95 km.

```
In [257]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))  
sns.distplot(df['closest_distance_to_school'])  
plt.title("Distribution of Distances to Schools", fontsize=20)  
plt.xlabel('Distance to Closest School (km)');  
print("Skewness:", df['closest_distance_to_school'].skew())  
print("Kurtosis:", df['closest_distance_to_school'].kurt())
```

```
Skewness: 6.218078338828554  
Kurtosis: 108.62323888858803
```




```
In [258]: plt.scatter(x=df['closest_distance_to_school'], y=df['price'])
plt.title('Relationship Between House Price and Distance to School')
plt.xlabel('Distance')
plt.ylabel('Price');
```



As expected, there seemed to be a negative correlation between distance to a school and the price of a house. As the distance between a house and a school decreased, the house price increased.

```
In [259]: dropping unnecessary columns
drop = ['date', 'id', 'yr_built', 'yr_renovated', 'sqft_above', 'sqft_below_ground']
df_cleaned = df.drop(columns = drop, axis=1)
```

```
In [260]: df_cleaned = df_cleaned.drop(columns = school_cols, axis=1)
```

```
In [261]: df_cleaned.head()
```

```
Out[261]:
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	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	view	condition
0	221900.00	3	1.00	1180	5650	1.00	nan	0.00	
1	538000.00	3	2.25	2570	7242	2.00	0.00	0.00	
2	180000.00	2	1.00	770	10000	1.00	0.00	0.00	
3	604000.00	4	3.00	1960	5000	1.00	0.00	0.00	
4	510000.00	3	2.00	1680	8080	1.00	0.00	0.00	

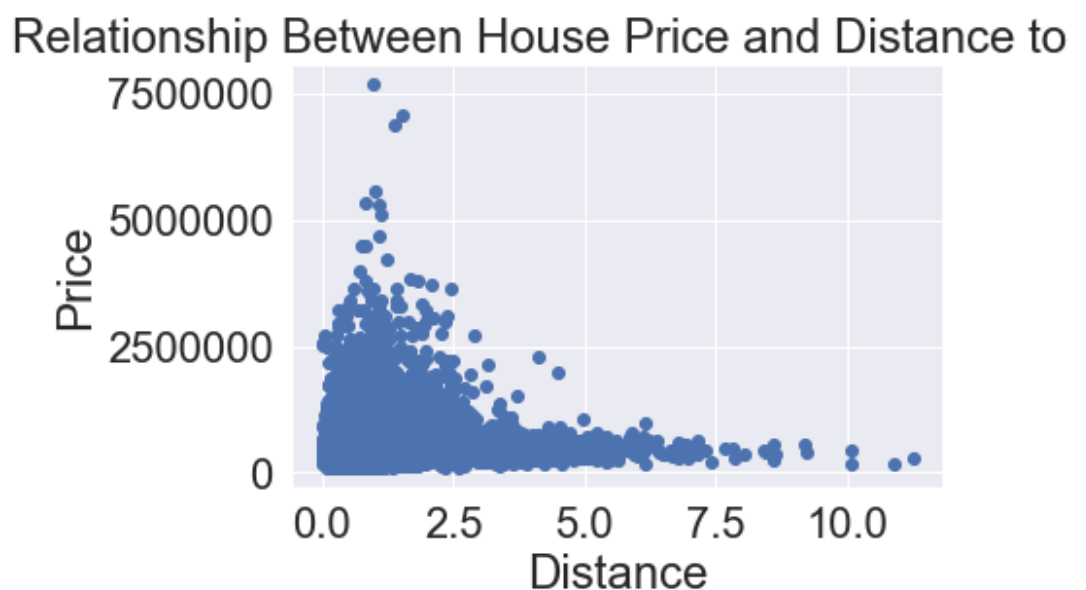
```
In [262]: df_cleaned.corr()
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Out[262]:
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	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	view	condition	grade	zipcode	lat	long	closest_distance_to_school
price	1.00	0.31	0.53	0.70	0.09	0.26	0.28	0.40	0.04	0.67	-0.05	0.31	0.02	0.07
bedrooms	0.31	1.00	0.51	0.58	0.03	0.18	-0.00	0.08	0.03	0.36	-0.15	-0.01	0.13	0.00
bathrooms	0.53	0.51	1.00	0.76	0.09	0.50	0.07	0.19	-0.13	0.67	-0.20	0.02	0.22	0.10
sqft_living	0.70	0.58	0.76	1.00	0.17	0.35	0.11	0.28	-0.06	0.76	-0.20	0.05	0.24	0.15
sqft_lot	0.09	0.03	0.09	0.17	1.00	-0.00	0.02	0.08	-0.01	0.11	-0.13	-0.09	0.23	0.35
floors	0.26	0.18	0.50	0.35	-0.00	1.00	0.02	0.03	-0.26	0.46	-0.06	0.05	0.13	0.04
waterfront	0.28	-0.00	0.07	0.11	0.02	0.02								
view	0.40	0.08	0.19	0.28	0.08	0.03								
condition	0.04	0.03	-0.13	-0.06	-0.01	-0.26								
grade	0.67	0.36	0.67	0.76	0.11	0.46								
zipcode	-0.05	-0.15	-0.20	-0.20	-0.13	-0.06								
lat	0.31	-0.01	0.02	0.05	-0.09	0.05								
long	0.02	0.13	0.22	0.24	0.23	0.13								
closest_distance_to_school	0.07	0.00	0.10	0.15	0.35	0.04								

```
In [263]: df_cleaned = df_cleaned.loc[df_cleaned.closest_distance_to_school < 10]
```

```
In [264]: plt.scatter(x=df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_school'], y=df_cleaned['price'])
plt.title('Relationship Between House Price and Distance to School')
plt.xlabel('Distance')
plt.ylabel('Price');
```



With outliers removed, we are able to more clearly visualize this relationship.

```
In [265]: df_cleaned.corr()
```

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Out[265]:
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	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	view	condition	grade	zipcode
price	1.00	0.31	0.53	0.70	0.09	0.26	0.28	0.40	0.04	0.67	-0.05
bedrooms	0.31	1.00	0.51	0.58	0.03	0.18	-0.00	0.08	0.03	0.36	-0.15
bathrooms	0.53	0.51	1.00	0.76	0.09	0.50	0.07	0.19	-0.13	0.67	-0.20
sqft_living	0.70	0.58	0.76	1.00	0.17	0.35	0.11	0.28	-0.06	0.76	-0.20
sqft_lot	0.09	0.03	0.09	0.17	1.00	-0.00	0.02	0.08	-0.01	0.11	-0.13
floors	0.26	0.18	0.50	0.35	-0.00	1.00	0.02	0.03	-0.26	0.46	-0.06
waterfront	0.28	-0.00	0.07	0.11	0.02	0.02					
view	0.40	0.08	0.19	0.28	0.08	0.03					
condition	0.04	0.03	-0.13	-0.06	-0.01	-0.26					
grade	0.67	0.36	0.67	0.76	0.11	0.46					
zipcode	-0.05	-0.15	-0.20	-0.20	-0.13	-0.06					

King County Top Schools

There was only a correlation of 0.07 between proximity to a school and house price. So I narrowed this down to the top 8 school districts in King County, as per rankings on Niche. I see if there was a stronger correlation between house price and a highly ranked school.

```
In [266]: schools.lea_name.value_counts()
```

```
Out[266]: Seattle Public Schools      107
Lake Washington School District      53
Federal Way School District          48
Kent School District                 43
Highline School District             43
Bellevue School District             30
Renton School District               29
Issaquah School District             27
Northshore School District           22
Auburn School District               22
Shoreline School District            19
Snoqualmie Valley School District    12
Tahoma School District                9
Enumclaw School District             9
Riverview School District            9
Tukwila School District              7
Mercer Island School District         5
Vashon Island School District         5
Mary Walker School District           4
Lake Washington Institute of Technology 3
Skykomish School District            2
South Seattle Community College (CC Dist #6) 1
Seattle Central Community College     1
Rainier Prep Charter School District  1
First Place Scholars Charter School District 1
Green River Community College         1
Excel Public Charter School LEA       1
University of Washington (17904)     1
Renton Technical College              1
Summit Public School: Sierra          1
Monroe School District               1
Name: lea_name, dtype: int64
```

```
In [267]: from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
# url for Niche.com King County school district ranking
url = f"https://www.niche.com/k12/search/best-school-districts/c"
response = requests.get(url)
# creating soup
soup = BeautifulSoup(response.text, 'lxml')
soup.findAll('section')
```

```
Out[267]: [<section class="container"> <div class="customer-logo-wrapper">
ss="customer-logo">  </div> <
v class="page-title-wrapper"> <div class="page-title"> <h1>Please
you are a human</h1> </div> </div> <div class="content-wrapper">
ss="content"> <div id="px-captcha"> </div> <p> Access to this pa
en denied because we believe you are using automation tools to b
website. </p> <p> This may happen as a result of the following:
> <li> Javascript is disabled or blocked by an extension (ad blo
example) </li> <li> Your browser does not support cookies </li> .
Please make sure that Javascript and cookies are enabled on your
and that you are not blocking them from loading. </p> <p> Refer
#5ff0f150-398d-11eb-9e5b-e9d0542fad5f </p> </div> </div> <div cla
-footer-wrapper"> <div class="page-footer"> <p> Powered by <a href
s://www.perimeterx.com/whywasiblocked">PerimeterX</a> , Inc. </p>
</div> </section>]
```

I attempted to web-scrape the data for the highest-ranked school districts in King County, Niche.com, but I was unable to do so due to being blocked by their server. So instead, I entered the eight school districts that were ranked in the A range (A+, A, A-) into a list.

```
In [268]: top_schools = ['Mercer Island School District', 'Bellevue School
'Lake Washington School District', 'Issaquah School
'Tahoma School District', 'Shoreline School District
'Vashon Island School District', 'Snoqualmie Valley
'Seattle Public Schools']
```

```
In [269]: top_schools_df = schools.loc[schools['lea_name'].isin(top_schools)]
top_schools_df.head()
```

Out[269]:

	year	ncessch	school_name	state_name	lea_name	zip_location	latitude	lon
43	2015	5300390000058	Ardmore Elementary School	Washington	Bellevue School District	98008	47.64	
44	2015	5300390000060	Bellevue High School	Washington	Bellevue School District	98004	47.60	
45	2015	5300390000062	Bennett Elementary School	Washington	Bellevue School District	98008	47.62	
46	2015	5300390000063	Cherry Crest Elementary School	Washington	Bellevue School District	98005	47.64	
47	2015	5300390000064	Chinook Middle School	Washington	Bellevue School District	98004	47.63	

```
In [270]: # saving copy of DataFrame as csv file
#top_schools_df.to_csv('./data/top_schools.csv')
```

```
In [271]: top_school_coordinates = []
x = round(top_schools_df.latitude, 2)
y = round(top_schools_df.longitude, 2)
top_school_coordinates = list(zip(x,y))
```

```
In [272]: for i in range(len(top_school_coordinates)):
df[f'top_school_{i}'] = distance_to(top_school_coordinates[i])

top_school_cols = []
for i in range(len(top_school_coordinates)):
top_school_cols.append(f'top_school_{i}')
df['closest_distance_to_top_school'] = df[top_school_cols].min()
```

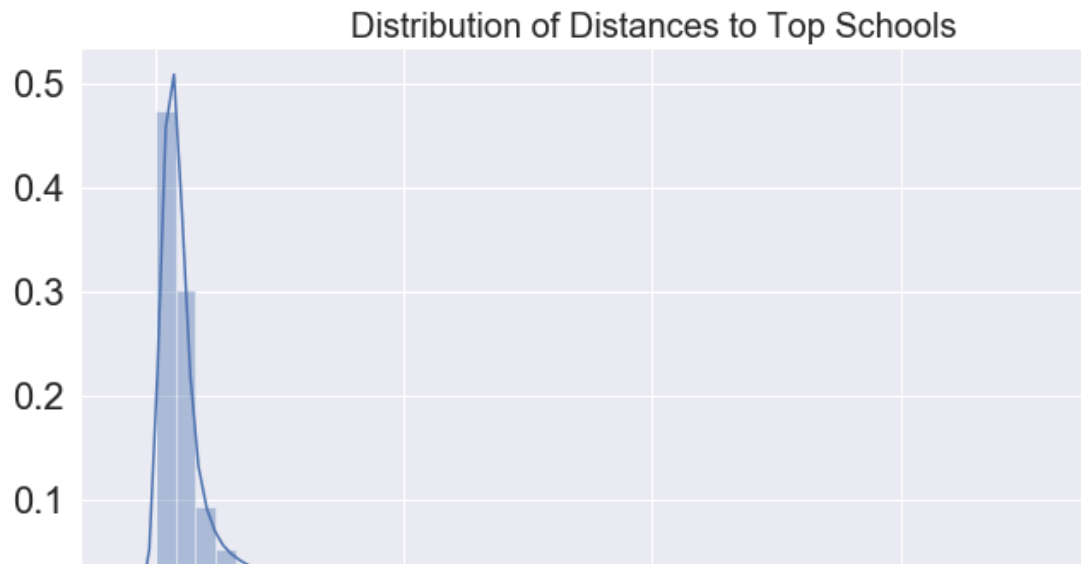
```
In [273]: df.closest_distance_to_top_school.describe()
```

```
Out[273]: count    21597.00
mean         3.09
std          4.41
min          0.00
25%          0.60
50%          1.05
75%          3.43
max          40.09
Name: closest_distance_to_top_school, dtype: float64
```

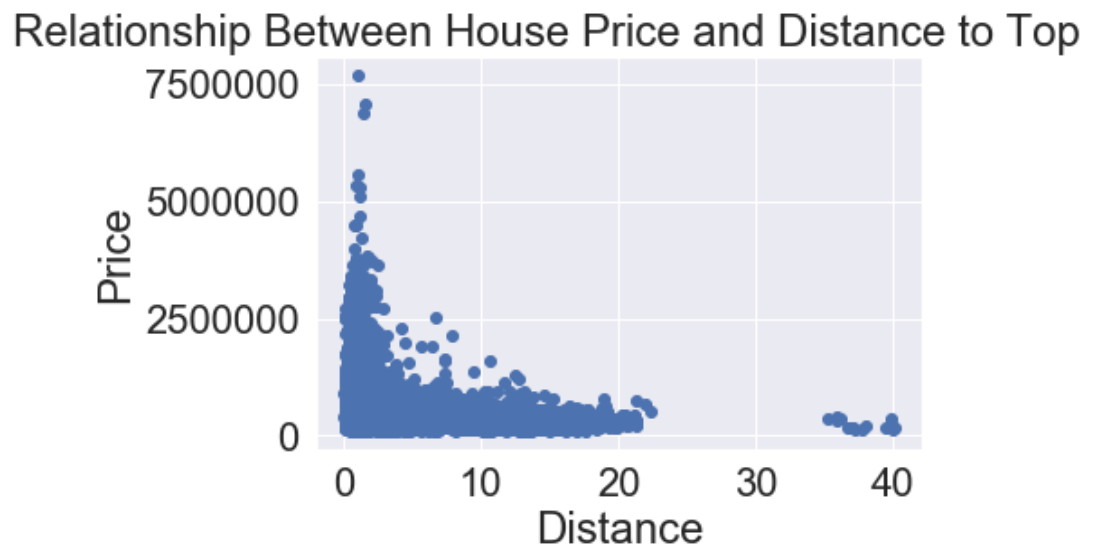
The closest distance from a house to a top school is 0.00 km (house located at the exact latitude and longitude as a school building). The farthest distance is 40.09 km.

```
In [274]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
sns.distplot(df['closest_distance_to_top_school'])
plt.title("Distribution of Distances to Top Schools", fontsize=20)
plt.xlabel('Distance to Closest Top School (km)');
print("Skewness:", df['closest_distance_to_top_school'].skew())
print("Kurtosis:", df['closest_distance_to_top_school'].kurt())
```

```
Skewness: 2.2762581074960346
Kurtosis: 5.809128777092479
```



```
In [275]: plt.scatter(x=df['closest_distance_to_top_school'], y=df['price'])
plt.title('Relationship Between House Price and Distance to Top Schools')
plt.xlabel('Distance')
plt.ylabel('Price');
```



```
In [276]: #dropping unnecessary columns
drop = ['date', 'id', 'yr_built', 'yr_renovated', 'sqft_above', 'sqft_below_ground', 'sqft_total']
df_cleaned = df.drop(columns = drop, axis=1)
```

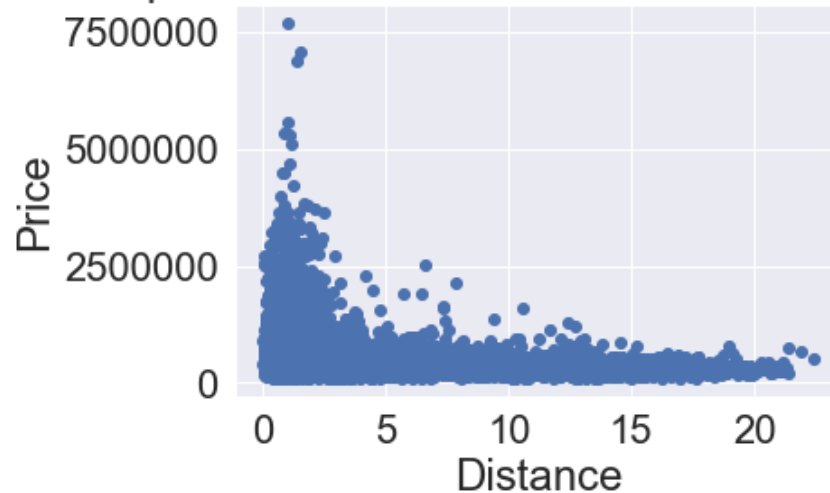
```
In [277]: df_cleaned = df_cleaned.drop(columns = school_cols, axis=1)
```

```
In [278]: df_cleaned = df_cleaned.drop(columns = top_school_cols, axis=1)
```

```
In [279]: df_cleaned = df_cleaned.loc[df_cleaned.closest_distance_to_top_school < 25]
```

```
In [280]: plt.scatter(x=df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_top_school'], y=df_cleaned['price'])
plt.title('Relationship Between House Price and Distance to Top School')
plt.xlabel('Distance')
plt.ylabel('Price')
plt.savefig('./visualizations/school_price.png');
```

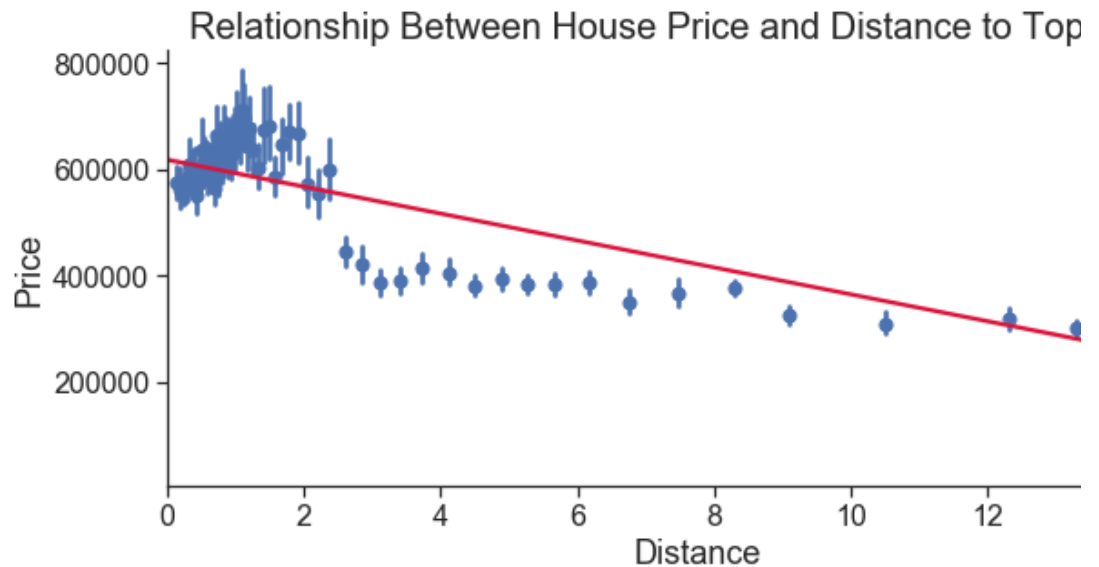
Relationship Between House Price and Distance to Top School



```
In [281]: df_cleaned.corr()
```

sqft_living	0.70	0.58	0.76	1.00	0.17	0.35
sqft_lot	0.09	0.03	0.09	0.17	1.00	-0.00
floors	0.26	0.18	0.50	0.35	-0.00	1.00
waterfront	0.28	-0.00	0.07	0.11	0.02	0.00
view	0.40	0.08	0.19	0.28	0.08	0.00
condition	0.04	0.03	-0.13	-0.06	-0.01	-0.20
grade	0.67	0.36	0.67	0.76	0.11	0.40
zipcode	-0.05	-0.16	-0.21	-0.20	-0.13	-0.00
lat	0.31	-0.01	0.03	0.05	-0.09	0.00
long	0.03	0.14	0.23	0.25	0.23	0.10
closest_distance_to_school	0.07	0.01	0.11	0.16	0.36	0.00


```
In [333]: sns.set_style('ticks')
sns.lmplot(x='closest_distance_to_top_school', y='price', data=d:
plt.title('Relationship Between House Price and Distance to Top :
plt.xlabel('Distance', fontsize=18)
plt.ylabel('Price', fontsize=18)
plt.xticks(fontsize=16)
plt.yticks(fontsize=16);
#plt.ylim(100000,750000)
plt.xlim(0, 15.5);
plt.tight_layout()
plt.savefig('./visualizations/price_school_2.png')
```



When we look at the distance to a school and price, there is not much of a correlation. However, once we narrow it down to the top schools, we start to see a stronger negative correlation. So as the distance to a top school decreases, the house price increases.

Proximity to Coffee Shops via Yelp API

We speculated that there may be a relationship between good coffee shops and higher prices. We used the Yelp API to obtain the data for the top 50 highest-rated coffee shops and provided latitudes and longitudes to calculate their distances from each home.

```
In [283]: import requests
import json
```

```
In [284]: def get_keys(path):
            """Retrieves API key from files as api_key."""
            with open(path) as f:
                return json.load(f)
```

```
In [285]: keys = get_keys("/Users/dtunnicliffe/.secret/yelp_api.json")
api_key = keys['api_key']
```

```
In [286]: term = 'coffee'
location = 'King County, WA'
SEARCH_LIMIT = 50
mochas = pd.DataFrame([])
def yelp(term, location, SEARCH_LIMIT):
    """
    Creates a new dataframe of information retrieved from yelp API.
    Searches businesses and returns top results based on criteria.
    Makes API call as if searching on yelp.
    Returns relevant information for businesses such as name, location, etc.

    Parameters:
    term (str): user input term to search for.
    location (str): user input city, state, or zip code to search in.
    SEARCH_LIMIT (int): user input number of results to return.

    Returns:
    New dataframe populated with requested information.

    """
    global mochas
    url = 'https://api.yelp.com/v3/businesses/search'
    headers = {
        'Authorization': f'Bearer {api_key}',
    }
    url_params = {
        'term': term.replace(' ', '+'),
        'location': location.replace(' ', '+'),
        'limit': SEARCH_LIMIT,
        'sort_by': 'rating'
    }
    response = requests.get(url, headers=headers, params=url_params)
    df_temp = pd.DataFrame.from_dict(response.json()['businesses'])
    mochas = mochas.append(df_temp)
    return mochas
```

```
In [287]: mochas = yelp(term, location, SEARCH_LIMIT)
```

```
In [288]: mochas.shape
```

```
Out[288]: (50, 16)
```

```
In [289]: mochas.head()
```

1	PJakGoM3gkStlwG5AvPadw	mighty-mugs-coffee-kent	Mighty Mugs Coffee	media1.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/xKB	https
2	S6CXIQ5KrMpTPZf1eNMa2w	five-stones-coffee-company-redmond	Five Stones Coffee Company	media3.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/Omz	https
3	mWSw4ywRDM4Yn11r7g	lamppost-coffee-roasters-bonney-lake	Lamppost Coffee Roasters	media2.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/d4p	https
4	rl43r90cPQJ6qCo-eEsXpA	burien-press-burien	Burien Press	media1.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/m-	https

```
In [290]: coffee_coordinates = []
x = [round(coordinate['latitude'], 2) for coordinate in mochas['latitude']]
y = [round(coordinate['longitude'], 2) for coordinate in mochas['longitude']]
coffee_coordinates = list(zip(x,y))
```

```
In [291]: in range(len(coffee_coordinates)):
          _cleaned[f'coffee_{i}'] = distance_to(coffee_coordinates[i])

          _cols = []
          in range(len(coffee_coordinates)):
          ffee_cols.append(f'coffee_{i}')
          _cleaned['closest_distance_to_good_coffee'] = df_cleaned[coffee_c
```

```
In [292]: df_cleaned.closest_distance_to_good_coffee.describe()
```

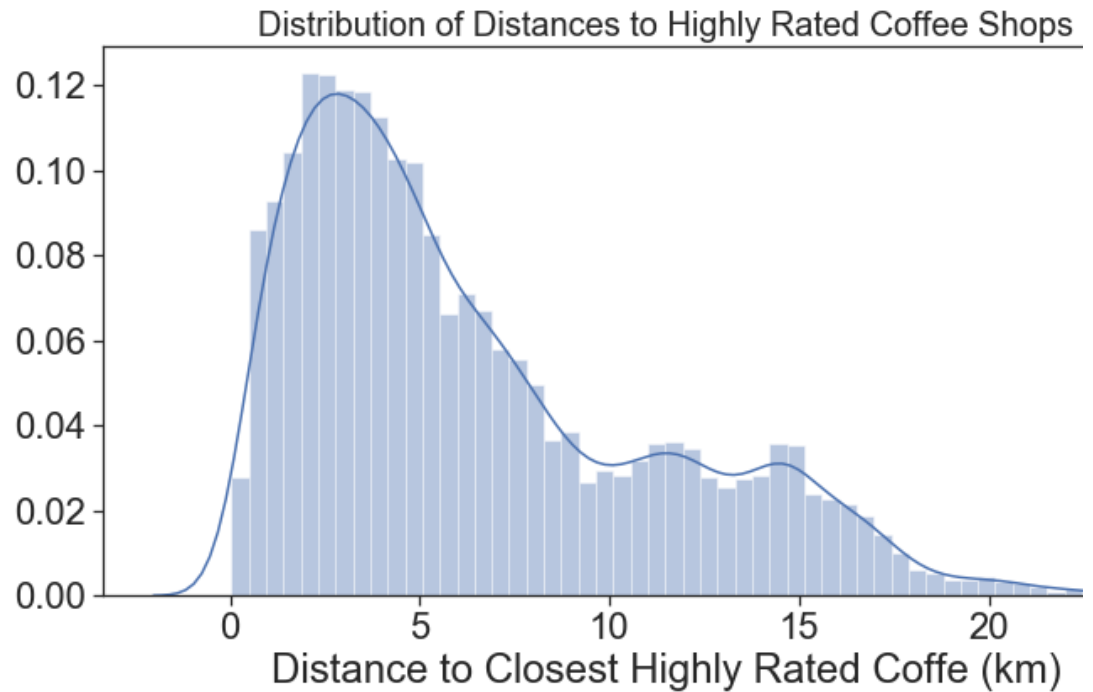
```
Out[292]: count    21580.00
          mean      6.45
          std       4.75
          min       0.03
          25%       2.74
          50%       5.01
          75%       9.22
          max       22.89
          Name: closest_distance_to_good_coffee, dtype: float64
```

The closest distance to a highly rated coffee shop is 0.03 km. The farthest distance is 22.89 km.

```
In [293]: figure(figsize=(12,6))
histplot(df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_good_coffee'])
title("Distribution of Distances to Highly Rated Coffee Shops", fc
label('Distance to Closest Highly Rated Coffe (km)');
("Skewness:", df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_good_coffee'].skew(
("Kurtosis:", df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_good_coffee'].kurt(
```

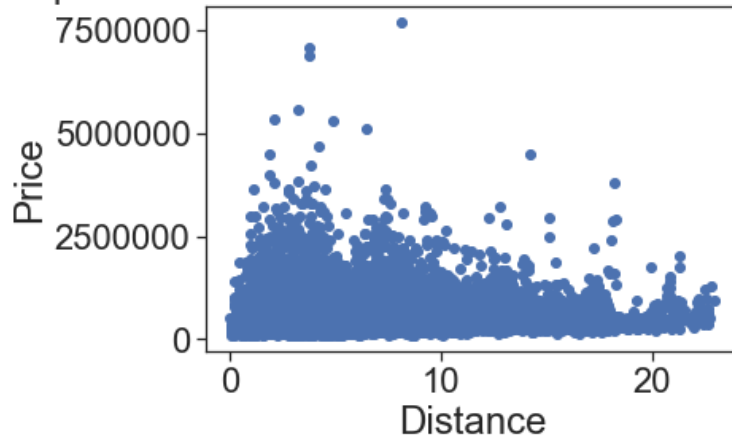
Skewness: 0.9194557509542861

Kurtosis: -0.03028616916931748



```
In [294]: plt.scatter(x=df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_good_coffee'], y=df
plt.title('Relationship Between House Price and Distance to Highl
plt.xlabel('Distance')
plt.ylabel('Price');
```

Relationship Between House Price and Distance to Highly Rate



```
In [295]: #dropping unnecessary columns
df_cleaned = df_cleaned.drop(columns = coffee_cols, axis=1)
df_cleaned.head()
```

Out[295]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	view	con
0	221900.00	3	1.00	1180	5650	1.00	nan	0.00	
1	538000.00	3	2.25	2570	7242	2.00	0.00	0.00	
2	180000.00	2	1.00	770	10000	1.00	0.00	0.00	
3	604000.00	4	3.00	1960	5000	1.00	0.00	0.00	
4	510000.00	3	2.00	1680	8080	1.00	0.00	0.00	

```
In [296]: optimal = df_cleaned.loc[(df_cleaned['price'] > 180000) & (df_cleaned['floors'] > 1)]
          optimal.corr()
```

Out[296]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors
price	1.00	0.19	0.32	0.44	0.07	0.21
bedrooms	0.19	1.00	0.46	0.59	0.02	0.11
bathrooms	0.32	0.46	1.00	0.67	0.03	0.49
sqft_living	0.44	0.59	0.67	1.00	0.14	0.28
sqft_lot	0.07	0.02	0.03	0.14	1.00	-0.05
floors	0.21	0.11	0.49	0.28	-0.05	1.00
waterfront	0.03	-0.04	-0.04	-0.02	0.02	-0.02
view	0.14	0.01	0.04	0.10	0.10	-0.01
condition	0.01	0.02	-0.16	-0.08	0.01	-0.08
grade	0.47	0.26	0.56	0.60	0.04	0.60
zipcode	0.03	-0.16	-0.23	-0.23	-0.14	-0.23
lat	0.47	-0.10	-0.10	-0.13	-0.11	-0.13
long	0.07	0.14	0.24	0.28	0.22	0.28
closest_distance_to_school	0.06	-0.00	0.08	0.14	0.39	0.14
closest_distance_to_top_school	-0.42	0.09	0.07	0.12	0.13	0.12
closest_distance_to_good_coffee	0.17	-0.12	-0.14	-0.16	-0.06	-0.16

Unfortunately, there was no observable relationship between house price and distance to a highly rated coffee shop.

Top 10 Highest-Rated Coffee Shops from Yelp API

We then gathered data for the top 10 highest-rated coffee shops in King County, as per the Yelp API, and tried to find a connection between house price and distance from a very highly rated coffee shop.

```

In [297]: term = 'coffee'
location = 'King County, WA'
SEARCH_LIMIT = 10
espresso = pd.DataFrame([])
def yelp(term, location, SEARCH_LIMIT):
    """
    Creates a new dataframe of information retrieved from yelp API.

    Searches businesses and returns top results based on criteria.
    Makes API call as if searching on yelp.
    Returns relevant information for businesses such as name, location, etc.

    Parameters:
    term (str): user input term to search for.
    location (str): user input city, state, or zip code to search for.
    SEARCH_LIMIT (int): user input number of results to return.

    Returns:
    New dataframe populated with requested information.

    """
    global espresso
    url = 'https://api.yelp.com/v3/businesses/search'
    headers = {
        'Authorization': f'Bearer {api_key}',
    }
    url_params = {
        'term': term.replace(' ', '+'),
        'location': location.replace(' ', '+'),
        'limit': SEARCH_LIMIT,
        'sort_by': 'rating'
    }
    response = requests.get(url, headers=headers, params=url_params)
    df_temp = pd.DataFrame.from_dict(response.json()['businesses'])
    espresso = espresso.append(df_temp)
    return espresso

```

```

In [298]: espresso = yelp(term, location, SEARCH_LIMIT)

```

```

In [299]: espresso.shape

```

```

Out[299]: (10, 16)

```

In [300]: `espresso.head(10)`

Out[300]:

		id	alias	name	
0	S6CXIQ5KrMpTPZf1eNMa2w		five-stones-coffee-company-redmond	Five Stones Coffee Company	media3.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/
1	EWqgeiGor-aVJIMLc8iSKw		boon-boona-coffee-renton	Boon Boona Coffee	media3.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/
2	v7xfqk9f7N8A98AQ2kddWg		anchorhead-coffee-bellevue-3	Anchorhead Coffee	media3.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/
3	t2DOOFh-oJLddtpxbVIDrQ		huxdotter-coffee-north-bend	Huxdotter Coffee	media3.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/
4	-MzbuOLr2kAoqIQY8w7ECA		pioneer-coffee-north-bend-north-bend	Pioneer Coffee - North Bend	media3.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/
5	kybVpzGFcYov1d0X00vDjQ		candor-coffee-renton	Candor Coffee	media4.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/
6	oUk6lZAFQ37R5OK0etWocg		the-north-bend-bakery-north-bend	The North Bend Bakery	media1.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/
7	9DJY3ndAM0E6T7qGtrq0kg		issaquah-coffee-company-issaquah	Issaquah Coffee Company	media4.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/
8	9yDshpKSd3mjYs2JUY5JbQ		espresso-chalet-index	Espresso Chalet	media1.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/
9	RNPQ65ZXmRdtH7dDGOLYMQ		bobs-espresso-snoqualmie-pass-3	Bobs Espresso	media3.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/


```
In [301]: great_coffee_coordinates = []
x = [round(coordinate['latitude'], 2) for coordinate in espresso]
y = [round(coordinate['longitude'], 2) for coordinate in espresso]
great_coffee_coordinates = list(zip(x,y))
```

```
In [302]: i in range(len(great_coffee_coordinates)):
df_cleaned[f'great_coffee_{i}'] = distance_to(great_coffee_coord

at_coffee_cols = []
i in range(len(great_coffee_coordinates)):
great_coffee_cols.append(f'great_coffee_{i}')
df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_great_coffee'] = df_cleaned[grea
```

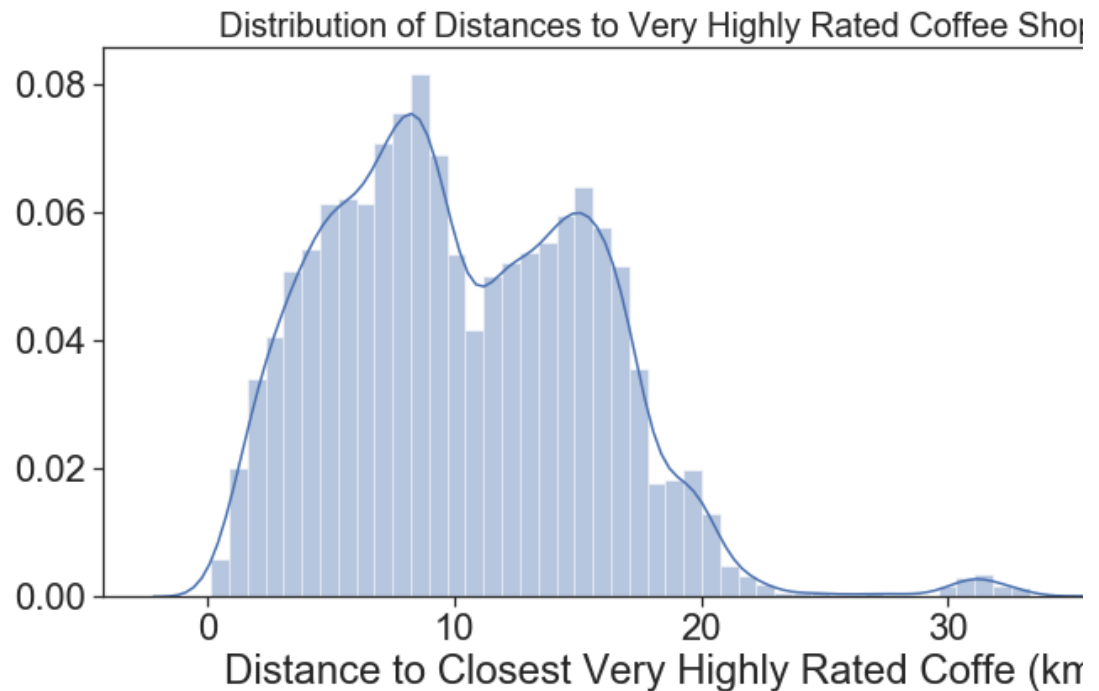
```
In [303]: df_cleaned.closest_distance_to_great_coffee.describe()
```

```
Out[303]: count    21580.00
mean         10.33
std           5.39
min           0.12
25%           6.16
50%           9.60
75%          14.39
max          36.98
Name: closest_distance_to_great_coffee, dtype: float64
```

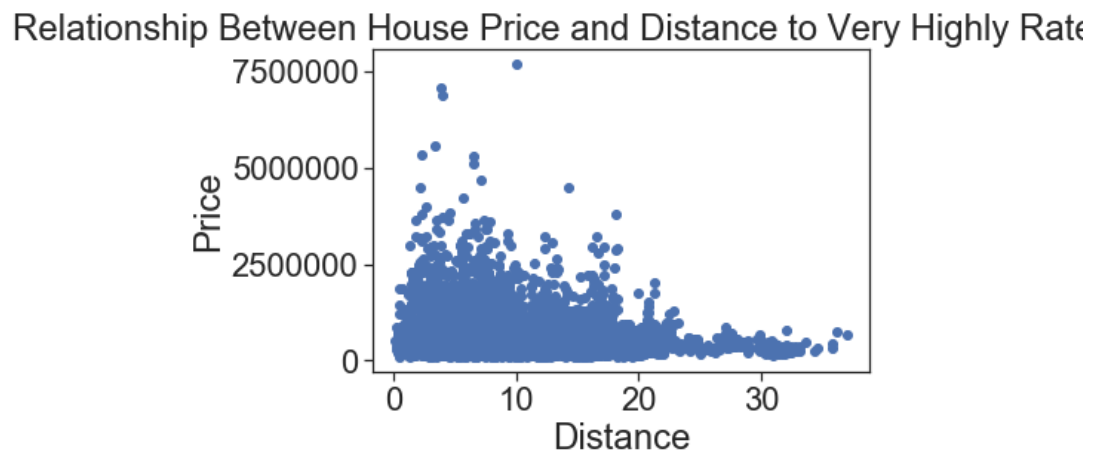
The closest distance to a very highly rated coffee shop is 0.09 km. The farthest distance is 36.98 km.

```
In [304]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
sns.distplot(df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_great_coffee'])
plt.title("Distribution of Distances to Very Highly Rated Coffee")
plt.xlabel('Distance to Closest Very Highly Rated Coffe (km)');
print("Skewness:", df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_great_coffee'].skew())
print("Kurtosis:", df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_great_coffee'].kurtosis())
```

Skewness: 0.6130716695116233
Kurtosis: 0.7558328850401486



```
In [305]: plt.scatter(x=df_cleaned['closest_distance_to_great_coffee'], y=df_cleaned['price'])
plt.title('Relationship Between House Price and Distance to Very Highly Rated Coffee')
plt.xlabel('Distance')
plt.ylabel('Price');
```



```
In [306]: #fig house price by distance to highly rated coffee
plt.style('darkgrid')
plt.plot(x='closest_distance_to_great_coffee', y='price', data=df_cleaned)
plt.title('Relationship Between House Price and Distance to Very Highly Rated Coffee')
plt.xlabel('Distance', fontsize=15)
plt.ylabel('Price', fontsize=15)
plt.ylim(0, 25)
plt.grid(True)
plt.savefig('price_coffee_2.png')
```



```
In [307]: #dropping unnecessary columns
df_cleaned = df_cleaned.drop(columns = great_coffee_cols, axis=1)
df_cleaned.head()
```

Out[307]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	view	con
0	221900.00	3	1.00	1180	5650	1.00	nan	0.00	
1	538000.00	3	2.25	2570	7242	2.00	0.00	0.00	
2	180000.00	2	1.00	770	10000	1.00	0.00	0.00	
3	604000.00	4	3.00	1960	5000	1.00	0.00	0.00	
4	510000.00	3	2.00	1680	8080	1.00	0.00	0.00	

```
In [308]: df_cleaned.corr()
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floors	0.26	0.18	0.50	0.35	-0.00	1.
waterfront	0.28	-0.00	0.07	0.11	0.02	0.
view	0.40	0.08	0.19	0.28	0.08	0.
condition	0.04	0.03	-0.13	-0.06	-0.01	-0.
grade	0.67	0.36	0.67	0.76	0.11	0.
zipcode	-0.05	-0.16	-0.21	-0.20	-0.13	-0.
lat	0.31	-0.01	0.03	0.05	-0.09	0.
long	0.03	0.14	0.23	0.25	0.23	0.
closest_distance_to_school	0.07	0.01	0.11	0.16	0.36	0.
closest_distance_to_top_school	-0.30	-0.00	-0.05	-0.06	0.11	-0.
closest_distance_to_good_coffee	0.03	-0.10	-0.12	-0.12	-0.06	-0.
closest_distance_to_great_coffee	-0.20	-0.14	-0.15	-0.18	0.07	-0.

We found that, similar to good schools, there was a negative correlation between house proximity to a very highly-rated coffee shop. As distance to a great coffee shop decreases, price increases.

Proximity to Scientology Churches

We had heard a theory that homes located near scientology churches tend to be higher priced due to the fact that scientologists are known for investing funds in their surrounding community. While certainly unique, we wanted to explore this feature and see if there was any correlation between house price and proximity to a church of scientology.

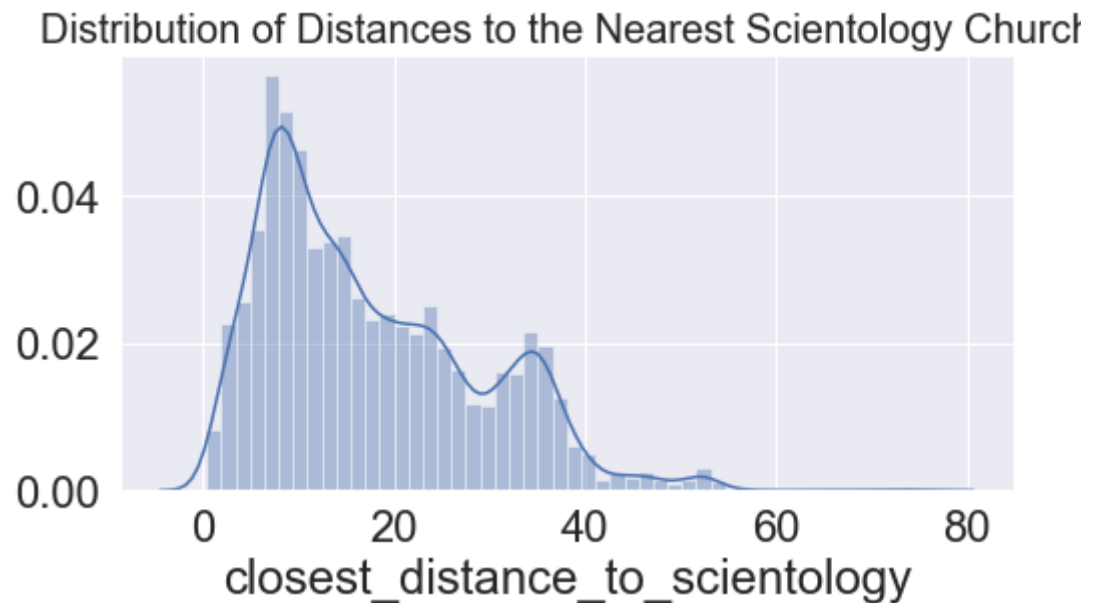
```
In [309]: #locations pulled from scientology-seattle.org
church_of_scientology_mission = (47.818100, -122.315430)
church_of_scientology_washington = (47.622380, -122.361020)
church_of_scientology_life_improvement_center = (47.615060, -122
```

```
In [310]: #creating a dataframe to investigate scientology proximity
scientology = pd.read_csv('./data/kc_house_data.csv')

#creating new columns of distances from houses to scientology churches
#running our haversine calculator function on these points
scientology['distance_to_scientology_m'] = distance_to(church_of_scientology_mission, scientology['lat'], scientology['long'])
scientology['distance_to_scientology_w'] = distance_to(church_of_scientology_washington, scientology['lat'], scientology['long'])
scientology['distance_to_scientology_l'] = distance_to(church_of_scientology_life_improvement_center, scientology['lat'], scientology['long'])
scientology['closest_distance_to_scientology'] = scientology[['distance_to_scientology_m', 'distance_to_scientology_w', 'distance_to_scientology_l']].min(axis=1)
```

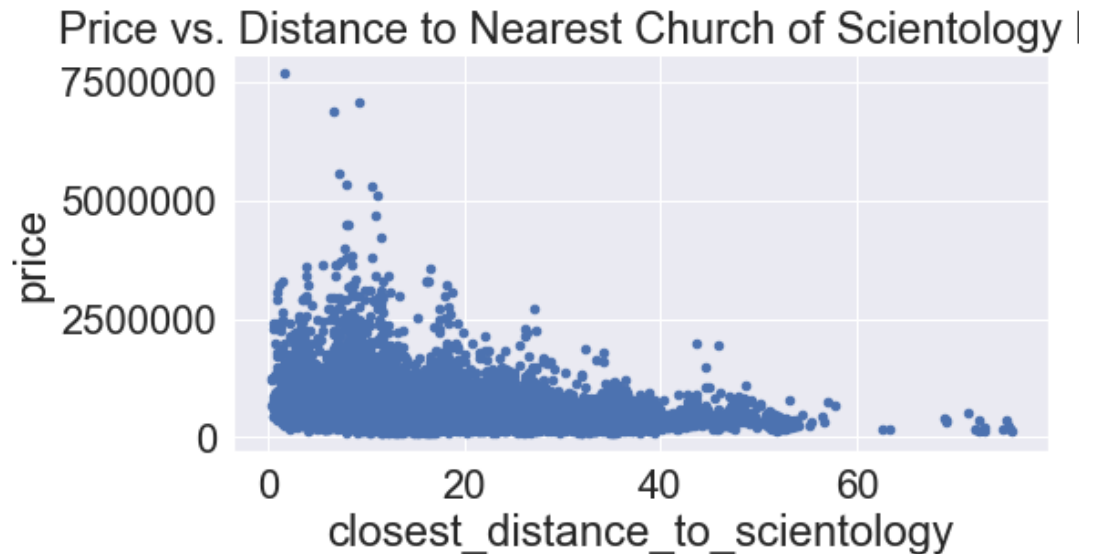
```
In [311]: plt.figure(figsize=(8,4))
sns.distplot(scientology['closest_distance_to_scientology'])
plt.title("Distribution of Distances to the Nearest Scientology Church")
print("Distribution appears to deviate slightly from a normal distribution.")
print("Displays a positive skewness.")
print("Skewness:", scientology['closest_distance_to_scientology'].skew())
print("Kurtosis:", scientology['closest_distance_to_scientology'].kurtosis())
```

Distribution appears to deviate slightly from a normal distribution.
Displays a positive skewness.
Skewness: 0.8119816020278896
Kurtosis: 0.1550669496730026



```
In [312]: #church of scientology vs price plot
plot1 = pd.concat([scientology['price'], scientology['closest_distance_to_scientology']], axis=1)
plot1.plot.scatter(x='closest_distance_to_scientology', y='price')
plt.title("Price vs. Distance to Nearest Church of Scientology Market")
```

'c' argument looks like a single numeric RGB or RGBA sequence, which should be avoided as value-mapping will have precedence in case its matches with 'x' & 'y'. Please use a 2-D array with a single row if you really want to specify the same RGB or RGBA value for all points.



```
In [313]: scientology.corr()
```

yr_built	0.02	0.05	0.16	0.51	0.32	0.05
yr_renovated	-0.01	0.13	0.02	0.05	0.06	0.00
zipcode	-0.01	-0.05	-0.15	-0.20	-0.20	-0.15
lat	-0.00	0.31	-0.01	0.02	0.05	-0.05
long	0.02	0.02	0.13	0.22	0.24	0.25
sqft_living15	-0.00	0.59	0.39	0.57	0.76	0.14
sqft_lot15	-0.14	0.08	0.03	0.09	0.18	0.72
distance_to_scientology_m	0.01	-0.29	0.02	0.03	0.00	0.15
distance_to_scientology_w	0.01	-0.28	0.07	0.09	0.09	0.24
distance_to_scientology_l	0.00	-0.30	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.24
closest_distance_to_scientology	0.01	-0.28	0.05	0.08	0.07	0.25

Like schools and coffee shops, there appears to be a negative correlation between proximity to a scientology church and the price of a house. As distance from a home to a scientology church decreases, house price tends to increase.

Web-scraped Data for Proximity to Parks

We hypothesized that being close to a park may have a correlation with house price as we have web-scraped data to investigate this possibility.

```
In [314]: # web-scraping park data from kingcounty.gov
url_parks = 'https://www.kingcounty.gov/services/parks-recreation'
html_parks = requests.get(url_parks)
soup_parks = BeautifulSoup(html_parks.content, 'html.parser')
addresses = soup_parks.findAll('strong')
```

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In [315]: addresses = []
for item in addresses:
    park_addresses.append(item.text.strip())

unwanted = ['Access', 'Use', 'Useful Links', 'Acreage:', 'Usage:', '', 'Access:',
            'Length:', 'Use:', 'Access:', 'Useful links', '.', 'Trail length']
addresses = [x for x in park_addresses if x not in unwanted]
```

```
In [316]: names = soup_parks.findAll('a', class_ = 'collapsed')
```

```
In [317]: park_names = []
for item in names:
    park_names.append(item.text.strip())
```

```
In [318]: # removing inconsistent data
# no addresses listed for these particular parks
park_names.pop(0)
park_names.pop(27)
park_names.pop(7)
park_names.pop(41)
park_names.pop(62)
park_names.pop(-39)
```

```
Out[318]: 'Rattlesnake Mountain Scenic Area'
```

```
In [319]: print(len(park_names))
print(len(park_addresses))
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In [320]: parks = dict(zip(park_names, park_addresses))
```

```
In [321]: parks_df = pd.DataFrame.from_dict(parks, orient = 'index')
# saving to csv file
# parks_df.to_csv('./data/ParkAddresses_wLatLong.csv')
```

```
In [322]: # importing park data
# reading the csv file
king_parks = pd.read_csv('data/ParkAddresses_wLatLong.csv', index_col=0)
# previewing the DataFrame
king_parks.head()
```

Out[322]:

	Address	Combined	
ID			
0.00	Auburn Black Diamond Rd and SE Green Valley Rd...	47.301182311345315, -122.17491469179195	47
1.00	NE 165th St and 179th PI NE Redmond WA 98072	47.74702351303733, -122.09810603412113	47
2.00	NaN	NaN	r
3.00	NE 138th and Juanita Drive NE Kirkland WA 98028	47.72417796430824, -122.2384511052857	47
4.00	S 284th PI and 37th Ave S Federal Way WA 98003	47.34814028865613, -122.2811067550002	47

```
In [323]: king_parks.dropna(inplace=True)
```



```
In [324]: #create function to find distances between all points in DF and :
def find_distance(dataframe):
    """
    Calculates distance between points of interest and houses.

    Generates a distance matrix for distances between houses and
    Calculates distance from each point in dataframe (df) to poi
    Converts latitude and longitude to radians in order to calcul
    Returns values as kilometers.

    Parameters:
    dataframe (Pandas DataFrame object): user input name of Panda

    Returns:
    Matrix of distances.

    """
    dist = sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric.get_metric('haversine')

    #convert lat and long to radians
    dataframe[['lat_radians', 'long_radians']] = (np.radians(dataframe[['lat', 'long']]))

    #create list matrix (results in miles)
    dist_matrix = (dist.pairwise
    (df[['lat_radians_A', 'long_radians_A']],
    dataframe[['lat_radians', 'long_radians']]))*3959)

    #return a matrix DataFrame
    return pd.DataFrame(dist_matrix)
```

```
In [325]: #convert lat and long to radians in housing data
df[['lat_radians_A', 'long_radians_A']] = (np.radians(df[['lat', 'long']]))
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In [326]: park_matrix = find_distance(king_parks)
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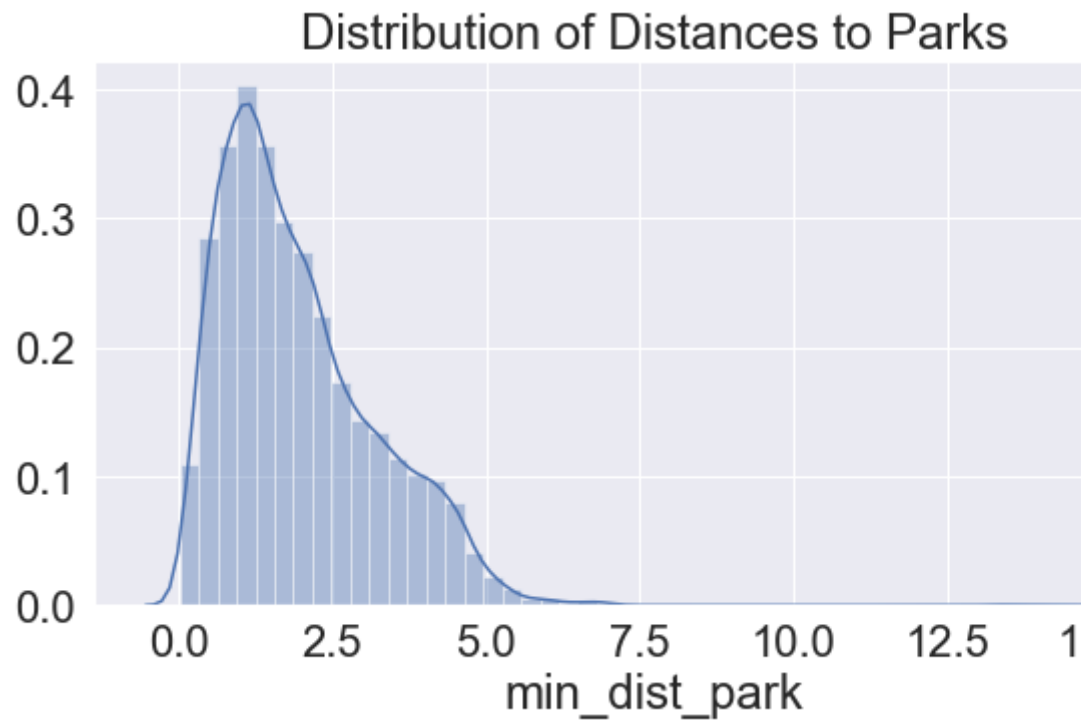
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In [327]: #find min distance in each row
park_min_matrix = park_matrix.where(park_matrix.values == park_matrix.min(
    axis=1), None).drop_duplicates()
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In [328]: #create a new column with only min distance and remove the rest
park_min_matrix['min_dist_park'] = park_min_matrix[park_min_matrix.columns[1:]].min(
    lambda x: ','.join(x.dropna().astype(str)),
    axis=1)
nearest_park = park_min_matrix['min_dist_park']
```

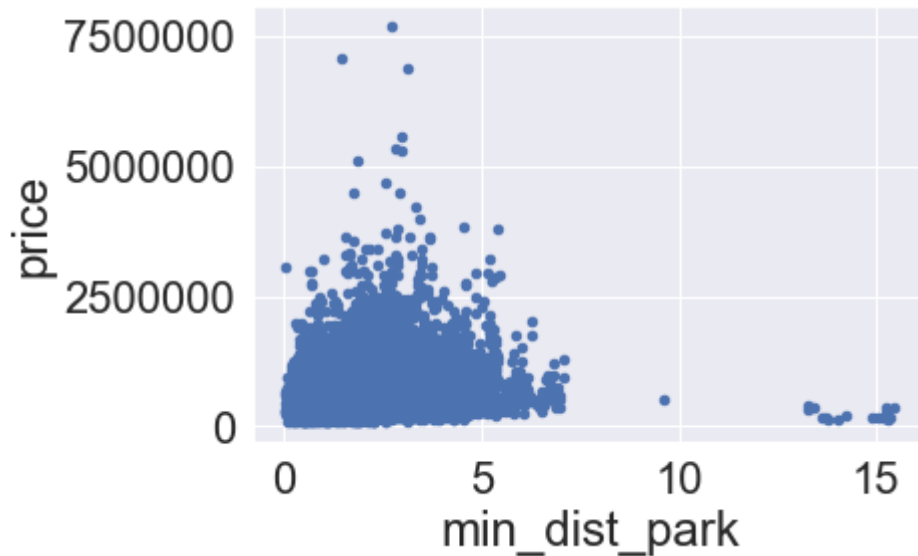
```
In [329]: data2 = df.join(nearest_park)
data2['min_dist_park'] = data2['min_dist_park'].astype('float64')
```

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In [330]: # data2[['min_dist_park']].to_csv('data/park_distance.csv')
```

```
In [331]: plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))  
sns.distplot(data2['min_dist_park'])  
plt.title('Distribution of Distances to Parks');
```



```
In [332]: plot.scatter(x='min_dist_park', y='price');  
'corr. price and parks: ' + str(data2['price'].corr(data2['min_di  
  
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tches with 'x' & 'y'. Please use a 2-D array with a single row  
ally want to specify the same RGB or RGBA value for all points.  
  
corr. price and parks: 0.1640772485169492
```



It was not yet clear whether there was a relationship between proximity to a park and the price of a home. As we continued our exploration, removed outliers, narrowed down our data, and refined our park list to eliminate forests and trail heads, we began to see more of a connection.

Please see our next notebook, 'data_preparation', for the cleaning, compiling, and transforming of our data.

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In [ ]:
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