

Final_project

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```
library(caret)
```

```
## Loading required package: ggplot2
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```
## Loading required package: lattice
```

Part 1: data importing and pre-processing

house_data, which originated from house_sales.csv and imported through the read.csv function, provides a dataset that consists of 21,613 objects and 21 different variables. These variables consist of numerics (int & num) and character strings.

```
house_data <- read.csv("house_sales.csv", na.strings = "")
str(house_data)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 21613 obs. of 21 variables:
## $ id : num 7.13e+09 6.41e+09 5.63e+09 2.49e+09 1.95e+09 ...
## $ date : chr "20141013T000000" "20141209T000000" "20150225T000000" "20141209T000000" ...
## $ price : num 221900 538000 180000 604000 510000 ...
## $ bedrooms : num 3 3 2 4 3 4 3 3 3 3 ...
## $ bathrooms : num 1 2.25 1 3 2 4.5 2.25 1.5 1 2.5 ...
## $ sqft_living : num 1180 2570 770 1960 1680 ...
## $ sqft_lot : num 5650 7242 10000 5000 8080 ...
## $ floors : num 1 2 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 2 ...
## $ waterfront : int 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ view : int 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ condition : int 3 3 3 5 3 3 3 3 3 3 ...
## $ grade : int 7 7 6 7 8 11 7 7 7 7 ...
## $ sqft_above : int 1180 2170 770 1050 1680 3890 1715 1060 1050 1890 ...
## $ sqft_basement : int 0 400 0 910 0 1530 0 0 730 0 ...
## $ yr_built : int 1955 1951 1933 1965 1987 2001 1995 1963 1960 2003 ...
## $ yr_renovated : int 0 1991 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ zipcode : int 98178 98125 98028 98136 98074 98053 98003 98198 98146 98038 ...
## $ lat : num 47.5 47.7 47.7 47.5 47.6 ...
## $ long : num -122 -122 -122 -122 -122 ...
## $ sqft_living15 : int 1340 1690 2720 1360 1800 4760 2238 1650 1780 2390 ...
## $ sqft_lot15 : int 5650 7639 8062 5000 7503 101930 6819 9711 8113 7570 ...
```

taking care of missing data

```
colSums(is.na(house_data))
```

```
##           id           date           price           bedrooms           bathrooms
##           0             0             0           1134           1068
## sqft_living sqft_lot       floors waterfront           view
##           1110          1044             0             0             0
## condition      grade sqft_above sqft_basement yr_built
##           0             0             0             0             0
## yr_renovated  zipcode      lat           long sqft_living15
##           0             0             0             0             0
## sqft_lot15
##           0
```

```
house_data_clean <- na.omit(house_data)
```

```
colSums(is.na(house_data_clean))
```

```
##           id           date           price           bedrooms           bathrooms
##           0             0             0             0             0
## sqft_living sqft_lot       floors waterfront           view
##           0             0             0             0             0
## condition      grade sqft_above sqft_basement yr_built
##           0             0             0             0             0
## yr_renovated  zipcode      lat           long sqft_living15
##           0             0             0             0             0
## sqft_lot15
##           0
```

checking for any duplicated rows

```
#Checking for duplicated rows
```

```
duplicates <- house_data_clean[duplicated(house_data_clean), ]
```

```
#Display the duplicated rows
```

```
print(duplicates)
```

```
## [1] id           date           price           bedrooms           bathrooms
## [6] sqft_living sqft_lot       floors waterfront           view
## [11] condition      grade sqft_above sqft_basement yr_built
## [16] yr_renovated  zipcode      lat           long sqft_living15
## [21] sqft_lot15
## <0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

```
# Convert 'date' to Date format
```

```
house_data_clean$date <- as.Date(house_data_clean$date, format="%Y%m%dT%H%M%S")
str(house_data_clean)
```

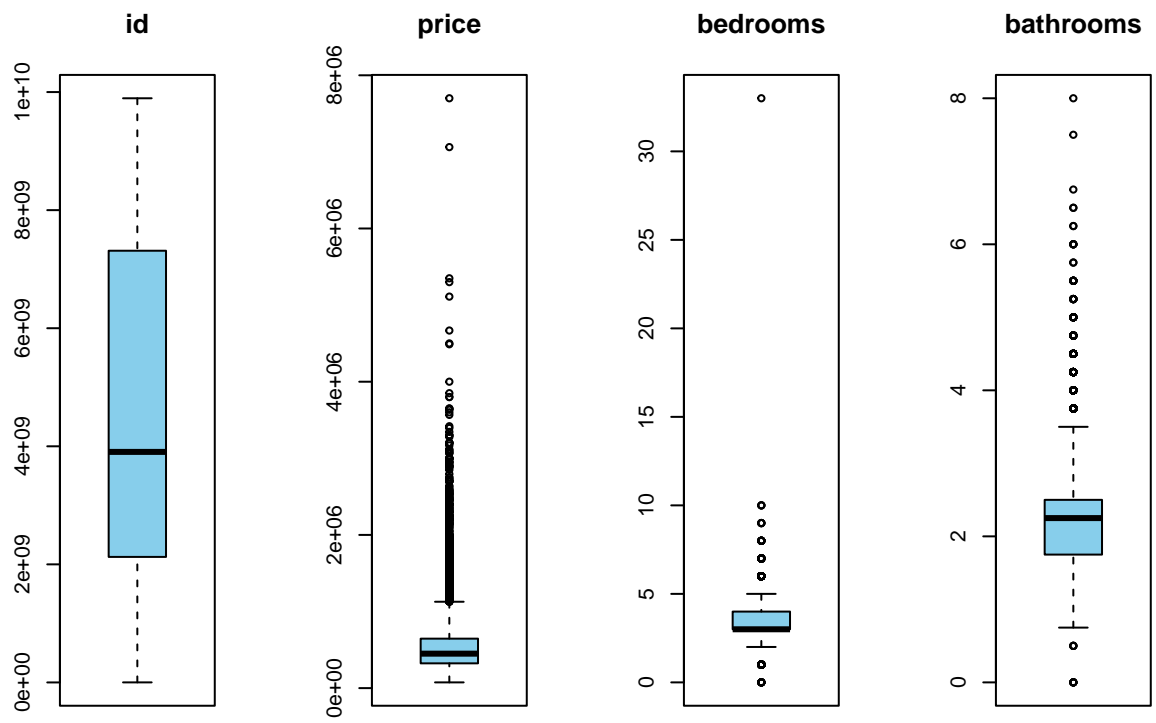
```
## 'data.frame':   17618 obs. of  21 variables:
## $ id           : num  7.13e+09 6.41e+09 5.63e+09 2.49e+09 1.95e+09 ...
## $ date          : Date, format: "2014-10-13" "2014-12-09" ...
## $ price          : num  221900 538000 180000 604000 510000 ...
```

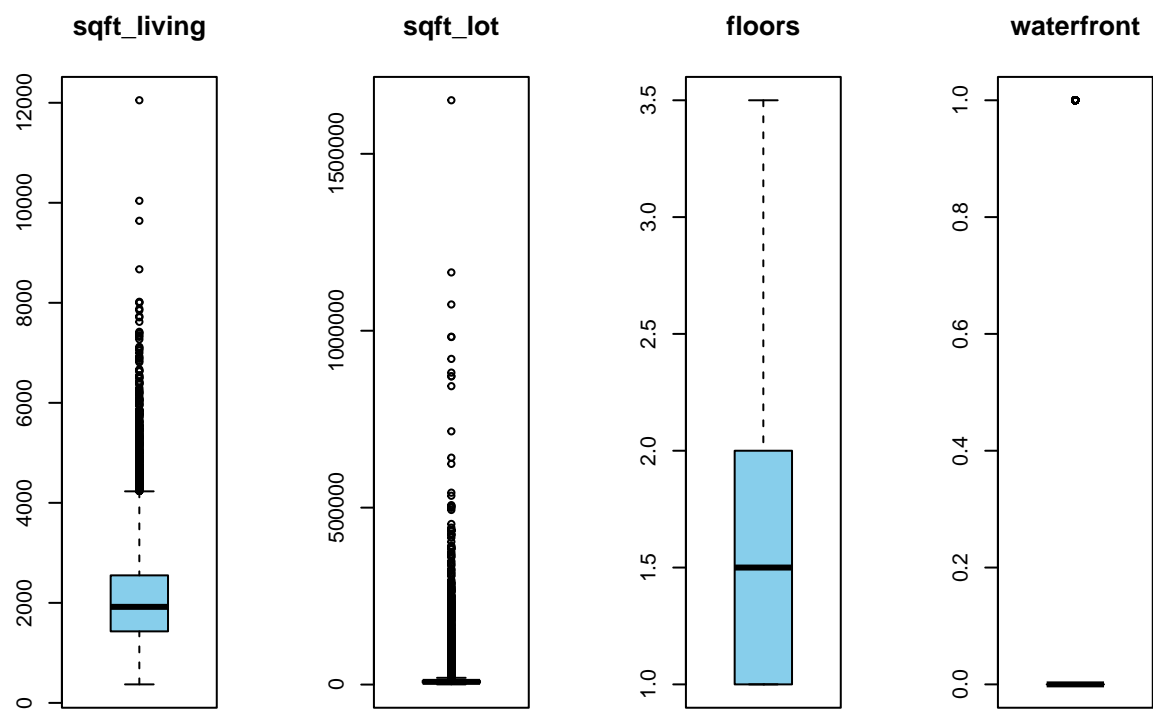
```
## $ bedrooms      : num  3 3 2 4 3 4 3 3 3 3 ...
## $ bathrooms     : num  1 2.25 1 3 2 4.5 2.25 1.5 1 2.5 ...
## $ sqft_living    : num  1180 2570 770 1960 1680 ...
## $ sqft_lot       : num  5650 7242 10000 5000 8080 ...
## $ floors         : num  1 2 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 2 ...
## $ waterfront     : int   0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ view           : int   0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ condition      : int   3 3 3 5 3 3 3 3 3 3 ...
## $ grade          : int   7 7 6 7 8 11 7 7 7 7 ...
## $ sqft_above     : int  1180 2170 770 1050 1680 3890 1715 1060 1050 1890 ...
## $ sqft_basement : int   0 400 0 910 0 1530 0 0 730 0 ...
## $ yr_built       : int  1955 1951 1933 1965 1987 2001 1995 1963 1960 2003 ...
## $ yr_renovated   : int   0 1991 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ zipcode        : int  98178 98125 98028 98136 98074 98053 98003 98198 98146 98038 ...
## $ lat            : num  47.5 47.7 47.7 47.5 47.6 ...
## $ long           : num -122 -122 -122 -122 -122 ...
## $ sqft_living15  : int  1340 1690 2720 1360 1800 4760 2238 1650 1780 2390 ...
## $ sqft_lot15     : int  5650 7639 8062 5000 7503 101930 6819 9711 8113 7570 ...
## - attr(*, "na.action")= 'omit' Named int [1:3995] 11 13 19 24 25 27 32 33 38 39 ...
## ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:3995] "11" "13" "19" "24" ...
```

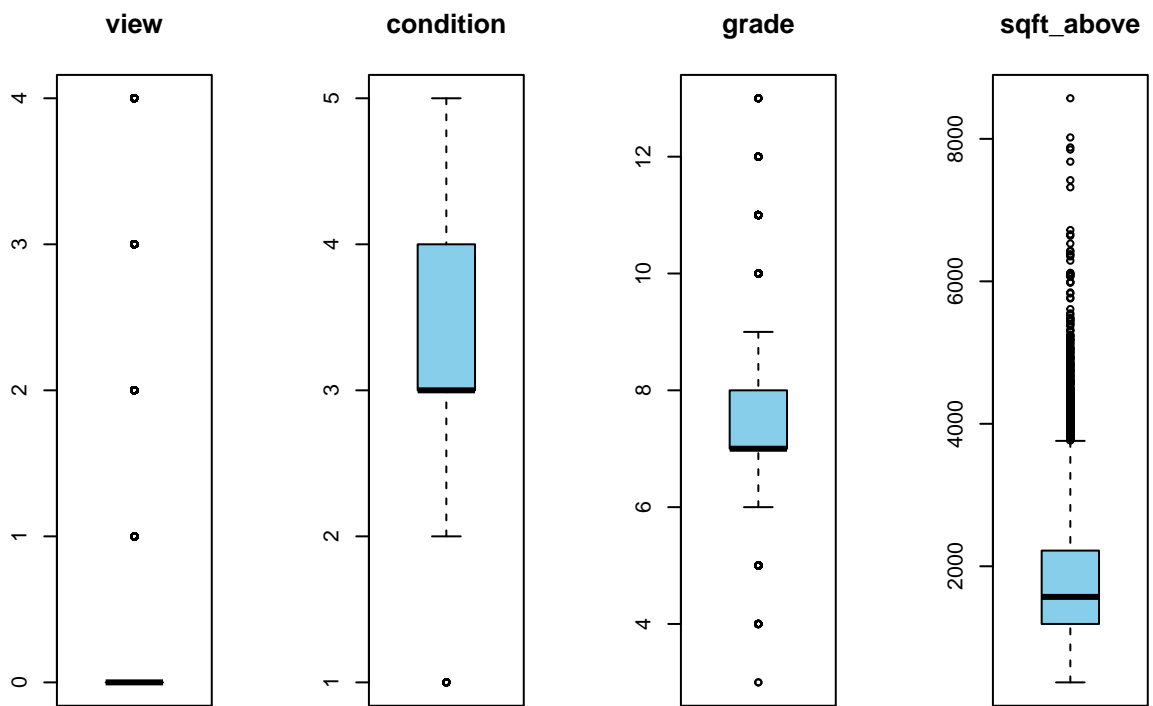
handling outliers

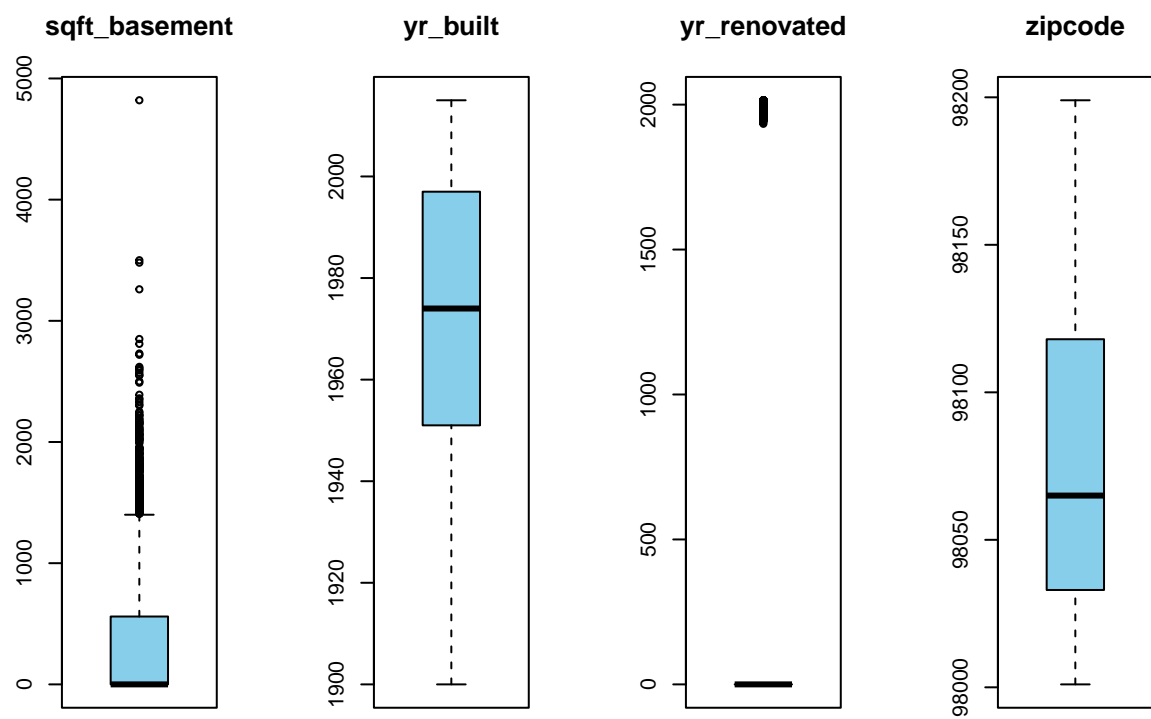
Here we are showing an example of what our data looks like before we handle outliers

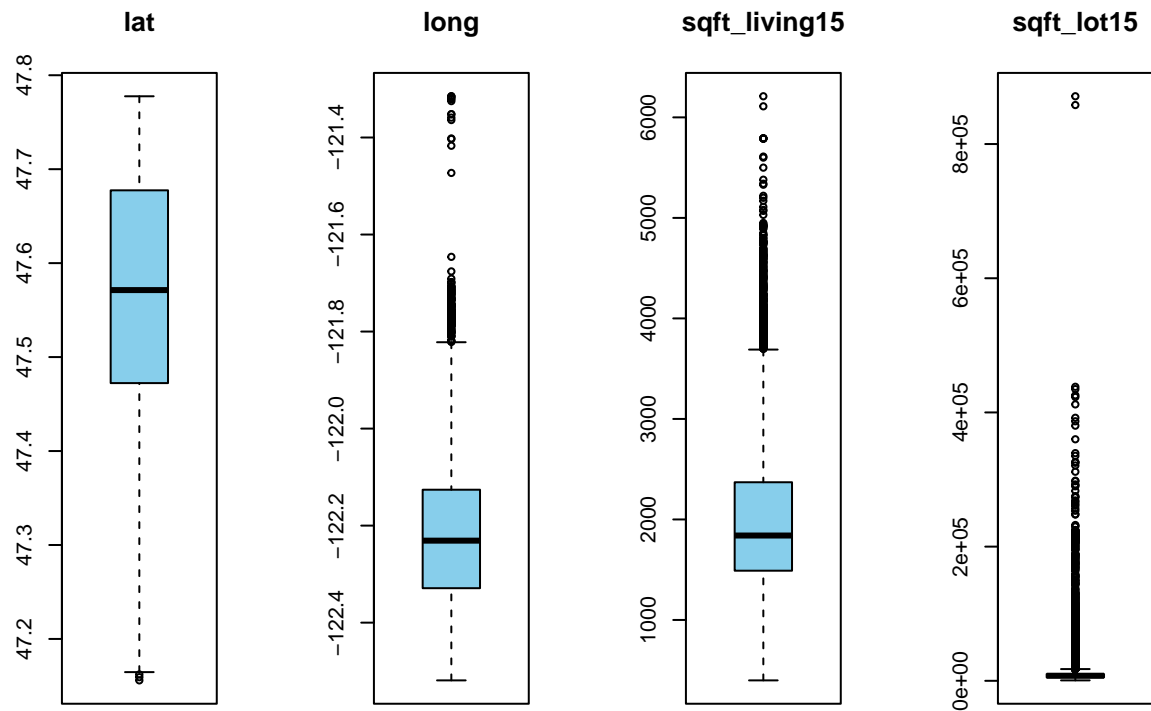
```
# Boxplot for every numeric variable
par(mfrow = c(1, 4)) # Set the layout for multiple plots, adjust based on the number of variables
for (i in 1:ncol(house_data_clean)) {
  if (is.numeric(house_data_clean[, i])) {
    boxplot(house_data_clean[, i], main = names(house_data_clean)[i], col = "skyblue", border = "black")
  }
}
```











here we are showing the changes in boxblots after adjusting for outliers

```
#Specify the constant multiplier for outlier detection
k <- 1.5

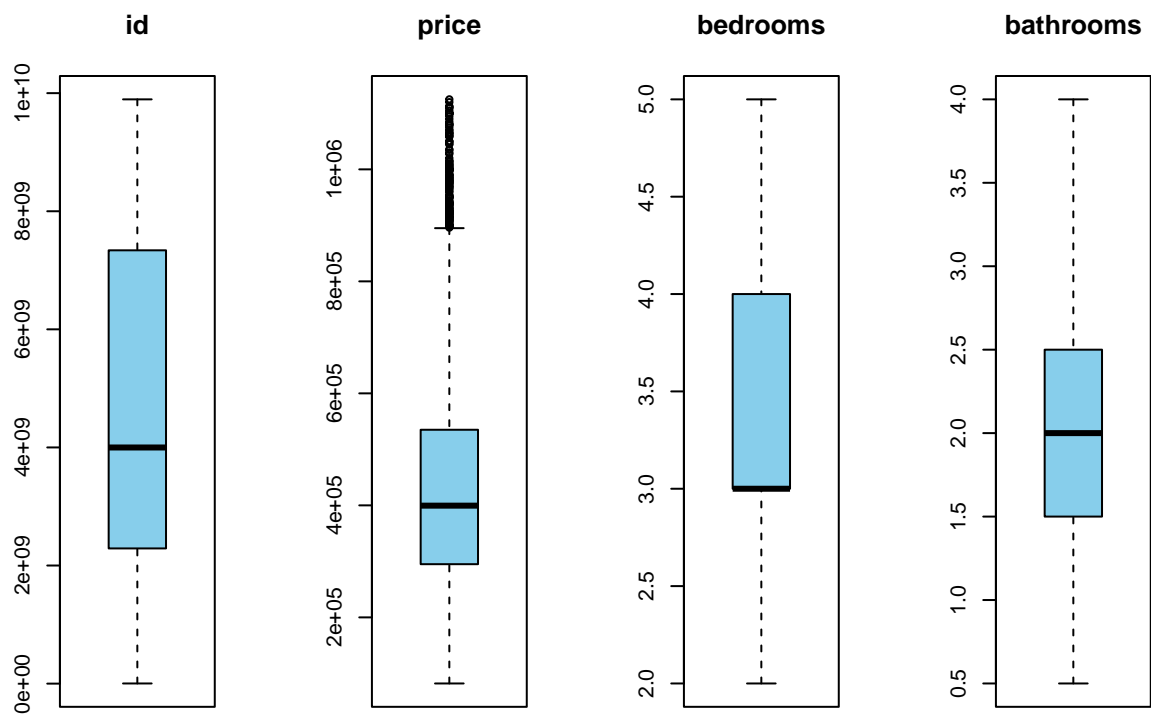
# Loop through each numeric variable
for (col in names(house_data_clean)) {
  if (is.numeric(house_data_clean[[col]])) {
    # Calculate Q1, Q3, and IQR for the current variable
    Q1 <- quantile(house_data_clean[[col]], 0.25)
    Q3 <- quantile(house_data_clean[[col]], 0.75)
    IQR <- Q3 - Q1

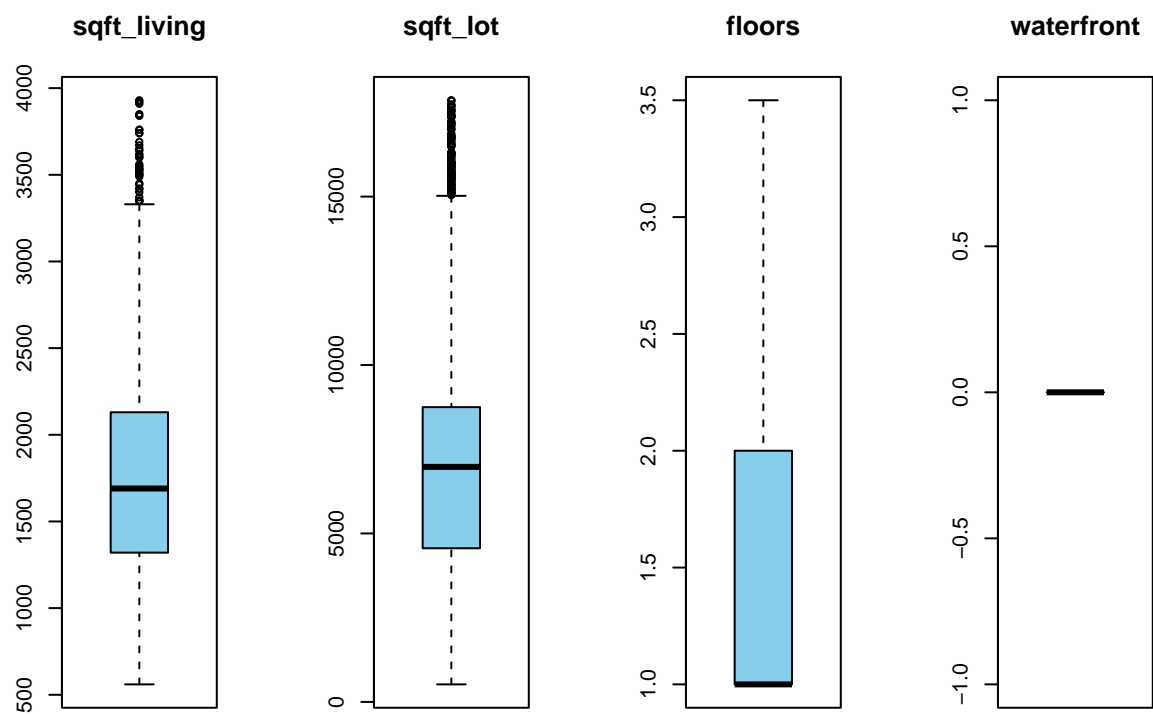
    #Identify outliers for the current variable
    outliers <- house_data_clean[[col]] < Q1 - k * IQR | house_data_clean[[col]] > Q3 + k * IQR

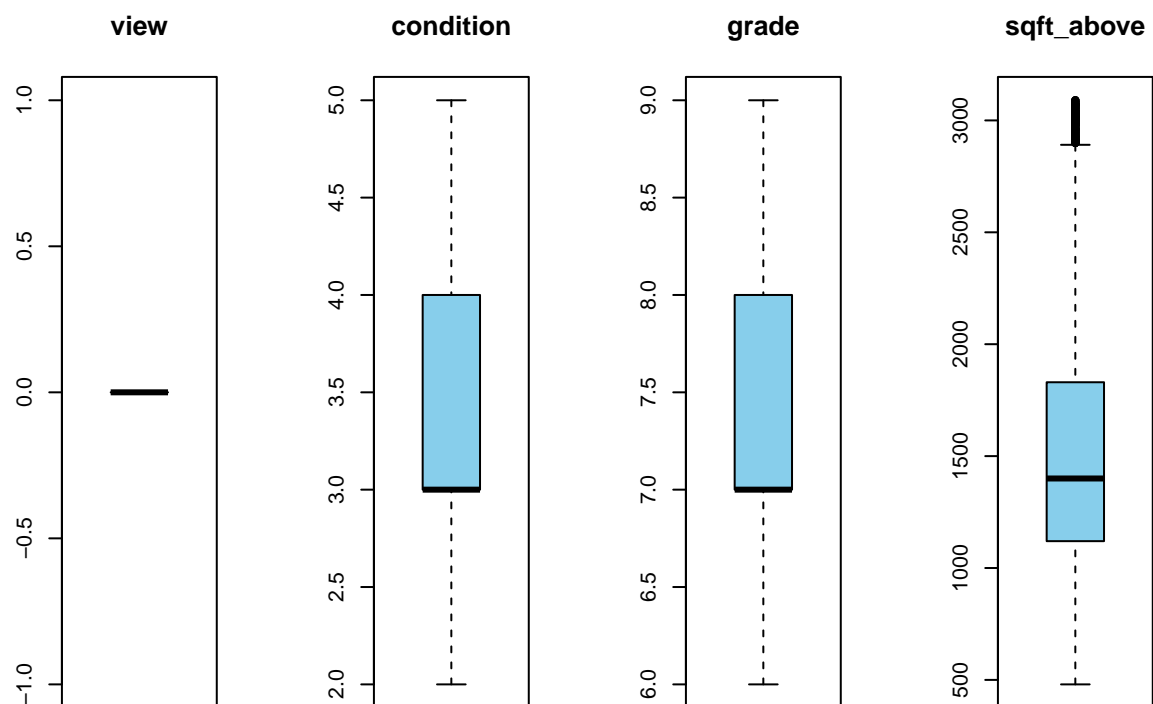
    #Remove outliers from the dataset
    house_data_clean <- house_data_clean[!outliers, ]
  }
}
```

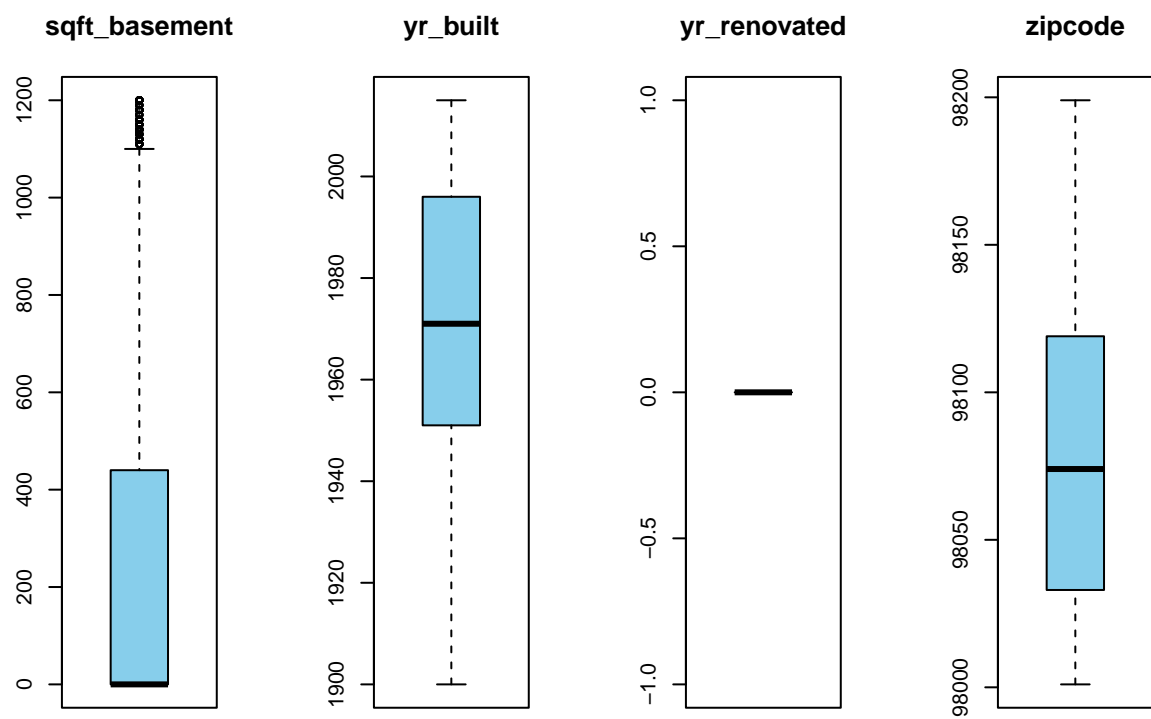
```
par(mfrow = c(1, 4))
for (i in 1:ncol(house_data_clean)) {
  if (is.numeric(house_data_clean[, i])) {
    boxplot(house_data_clean[, i], main = names(house_data_clean)[i], col = "skyblue", border = "black",
  }
}
```

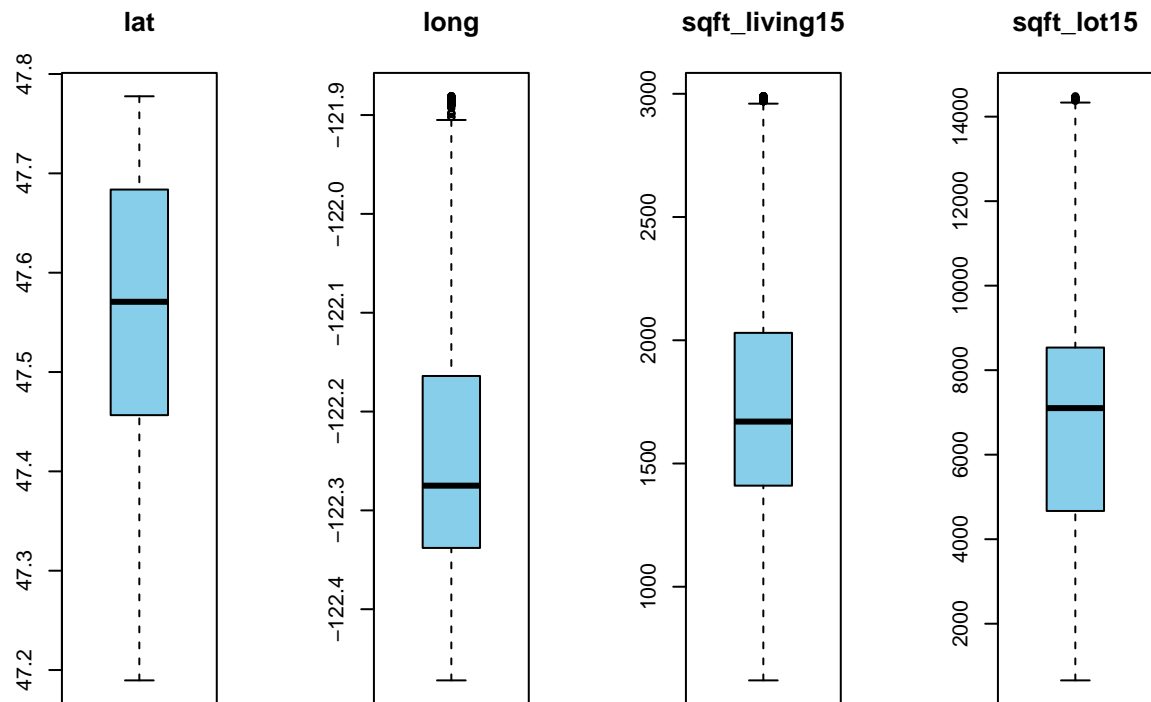

}











Here we use the aggregate function to group taverage house value per zipcode

```
zip_prices <- aggregate(house_data$price, by = list(zipcode = house_data$zipcode), FUN = mean)
colnames(zip_prices) <- c("zipcode", "mean_price")
```

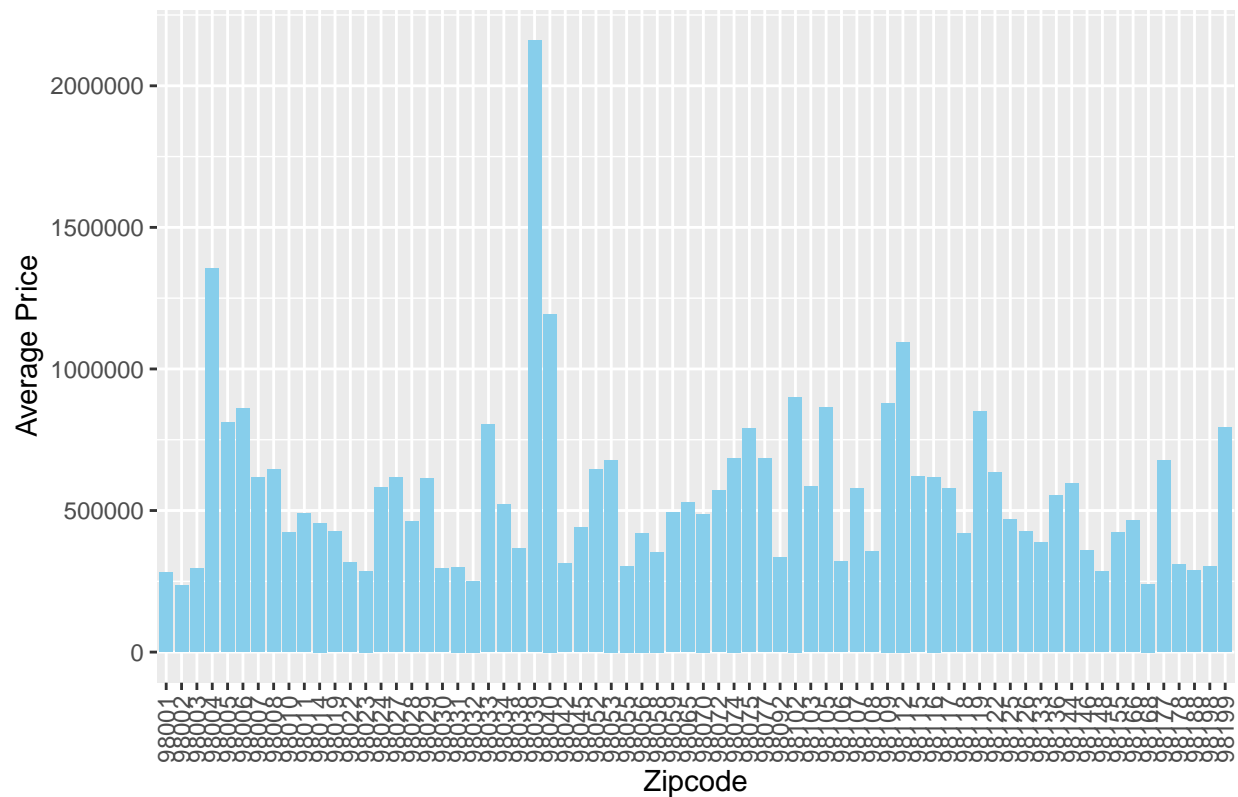
```
head(zip_prices)
```

```
##  zipcode mean_price
## 1   98001  280804.7
## 2   98002  234284.0
## 3   98003  294111.3
## 4   98004  1355927.1
## 5   98005   810164.9
## 6   98006  859684.8
```

```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
ggplot(zip_prices, aes(x = factor(zipcode), y = mean_price)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", fill = "skyblue") +
  labs(title = "Average House Price by Zipcode", x = "Zipcode", y = "Average Price") +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, vjust = .5, hjust=2))
```

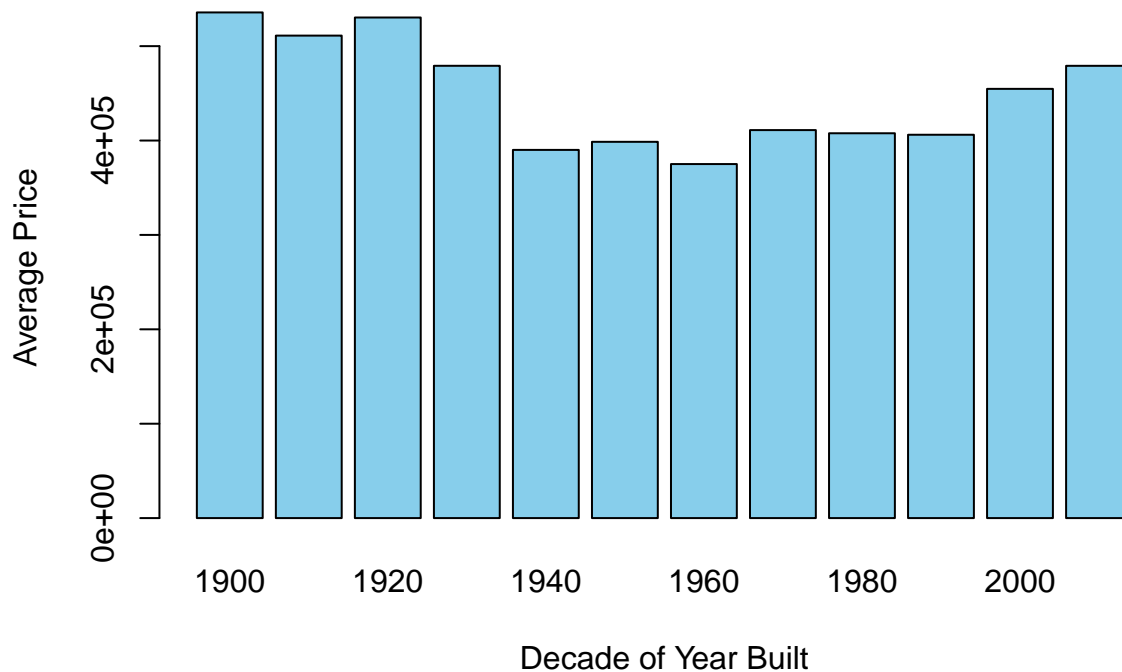
Average House Price by Zipcode



```
house_data_clean$decade_built <- 10 * (house_data_clean$yr_built %/% 10) # Create a decade category
avg_price_by_decade <- aggregate(house_data_clean$price, by = list(decade_built = house_data_clean$decade_built), FUN = mean)
colnames(avg_price_by_decade) <- c("decade_built", "avg_price")

barplot(avg_price_by_decade$avg_price, names.arg = avg_price_by_decade$decade_built, col = "skyblue", m
```

Average House Prices by Decade of Year Built



```
#Aggregate average house prices by bedrooms and bathrooms
avg_price_bed_bath <- aggregate(house_data_clean$price, by = list(bedrooms = house_data_clean$bedrooms,
colnames(avg_price_bed_bath) <- c("bedrooms", "bathrooms", "avg_price")

#new column with formatted labels
avg_price_bed_bath$label <- paste(avg_price_bed_bath$bedrooms, "BR, ", avg_price_bed_bath$bathrooms, "BA")

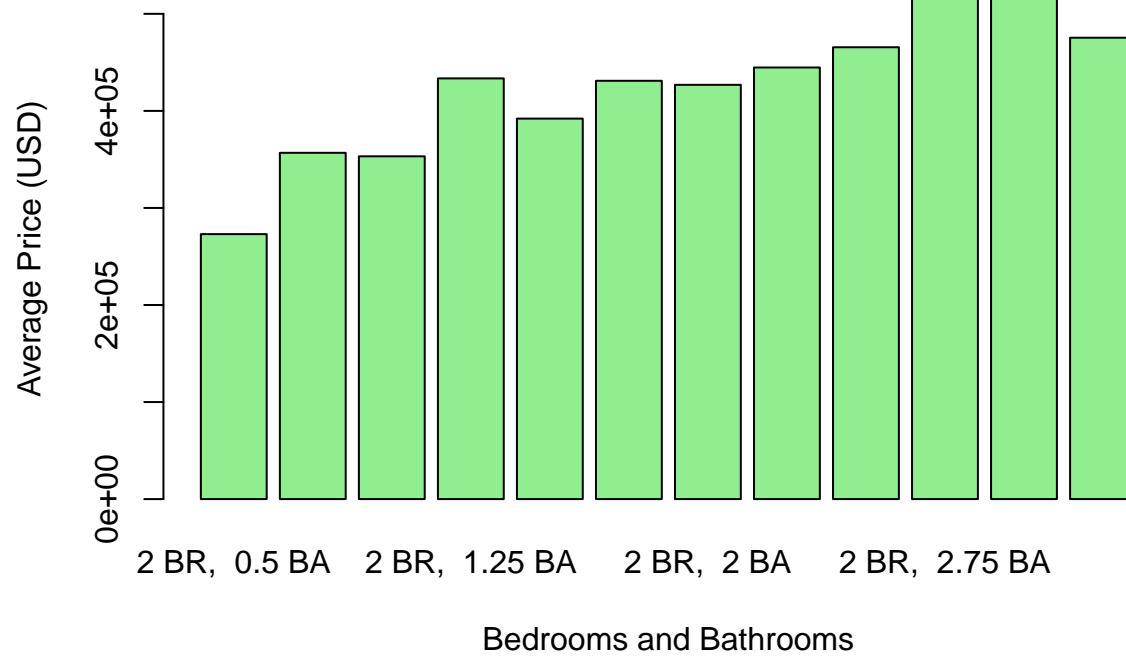
#Get unique values of 'bedrooms'
unique_bedrooms <- unique(avg_price_bed_bath$bedrooms)

#separate bar charts for each unique number of bedrooms
for (bedroom_value in unique_bedrooms) {
  #Subset data for the current number of bedrooms
  subset_data <- subset(avg_price_bed_bath, bedrooms == bedroom_value)

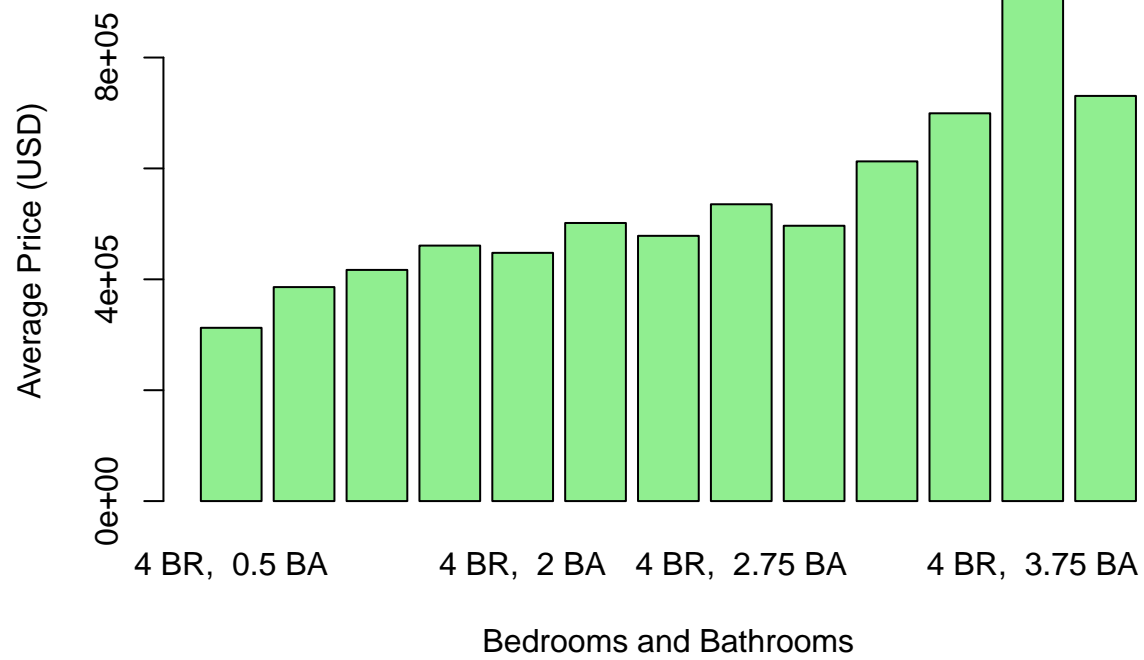
  #new column with formatted labels
  subset_data$label <- paste(subset_data$bedrooms, "BR, ", subset_data$bathrooms, "BA")

  # Bar chart
  barplot(subset_data$avg_price, beside = TRUE, names.arg = subset_data$label, col = "lightgreen",
    main = paste("Average House Prices by Bedrooms and Bathrooms (", bedroom_value, " Bedrooms)",
    xlab = "Bedrooms and Bathrooms", ylab = "Average Price (USD)")
}
```

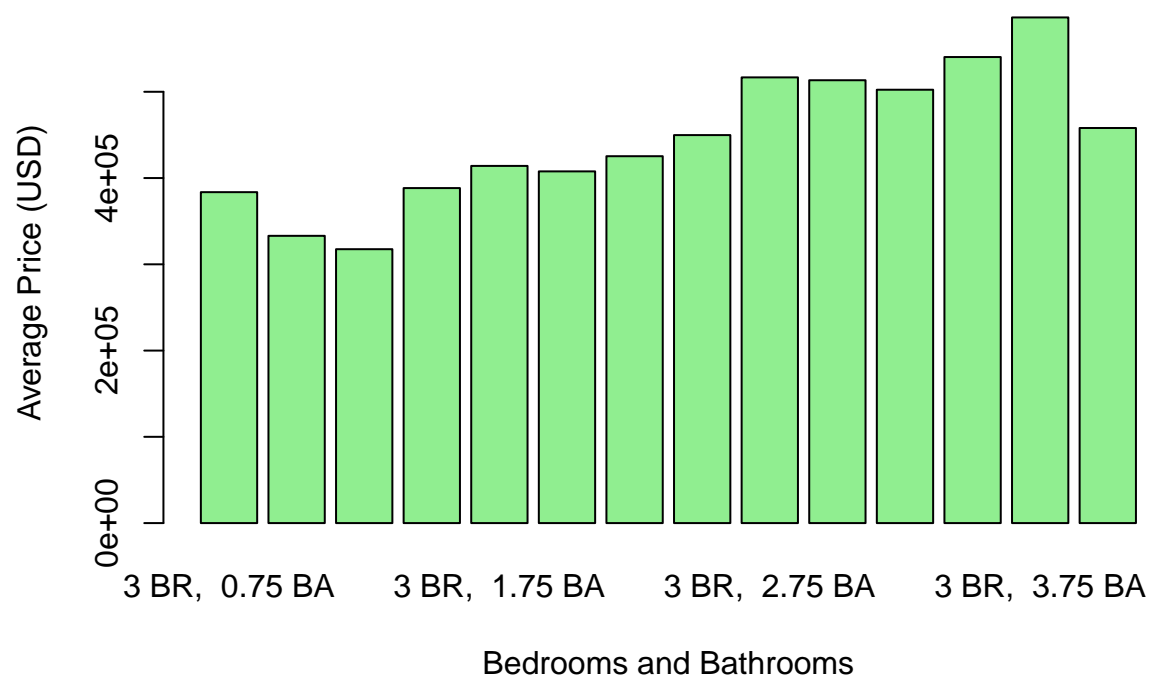
Average House Prices by Bedrooms and Bathrooms (2 Bedrooms



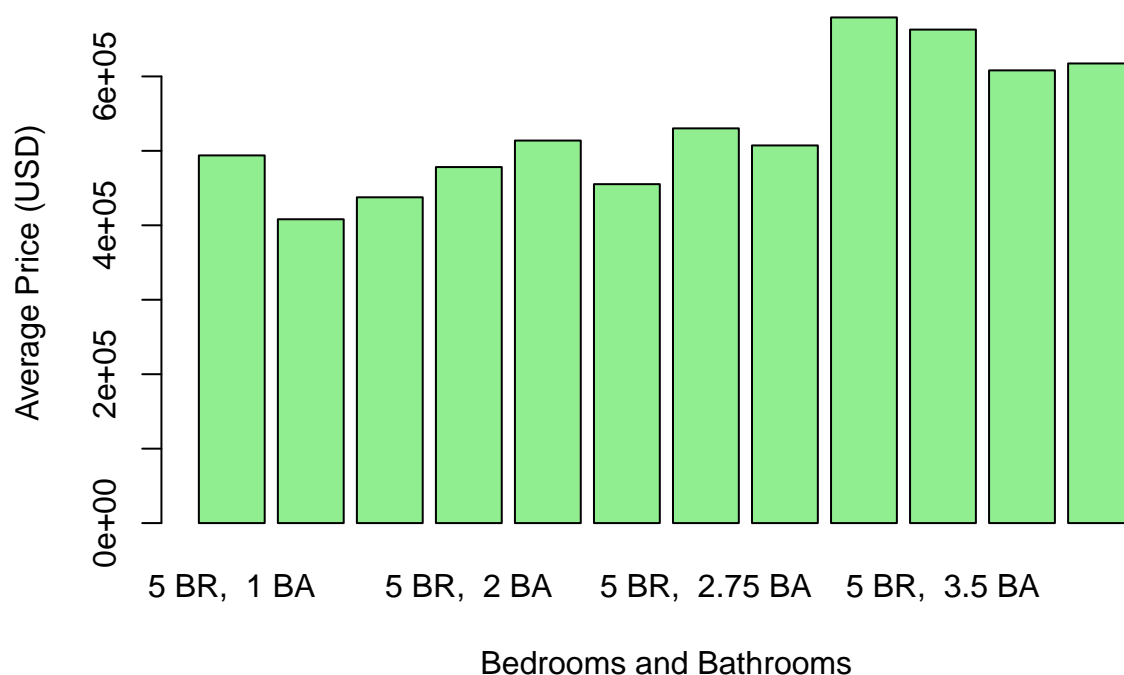
Average House Prices by Bedrooms and Bathrooms (4 Bedrooms



Average House Prices by Bedrooms and Bathrooms (3 Bedrooms



Average House Prices by Bedrooms and Bathrooms (5 Bedrooms



feature construction

```
house_data_clean$age <- 2023 - house_data_clean$yr_built
```

```
house_data_clean$bed_bath_ratio <- house_data_clean$bedrooms / house_data_clean$bathrooms
```

```
house_data_clean$total_sqft <- house_data_clean$sqft_living + house_data_clean$sqft_lot
```

```
house_data_clean$month_sold <- as.numeric(substr(house_data_clean$date, 5, 6))
```

```
house_data_clean$price_per_sqft <- house_data_clean$price / house_data_clean$sqft_living
```

Normalizing

```
#Function to perform Min-Max scaling
min_max_scaling <- function(x) {
  return((x - min(x)) / (max(x) - min(x)))
}
```

```
#Columns to normalize
columns_to_normalize <- c("age", "bed_bath_ratio", "total_sqft", "month_sold", "price_per_sqft")
```

```
#Min-Max scaling to selected columns
```

```
house_data_clean[columns_to_normalize] <- lapply(house_data_clean[columns_to_normalize], min_max_scaling)
```

```
#summary statistics of normalized features
summary(house_data_clean[columns_to_normalize])
```

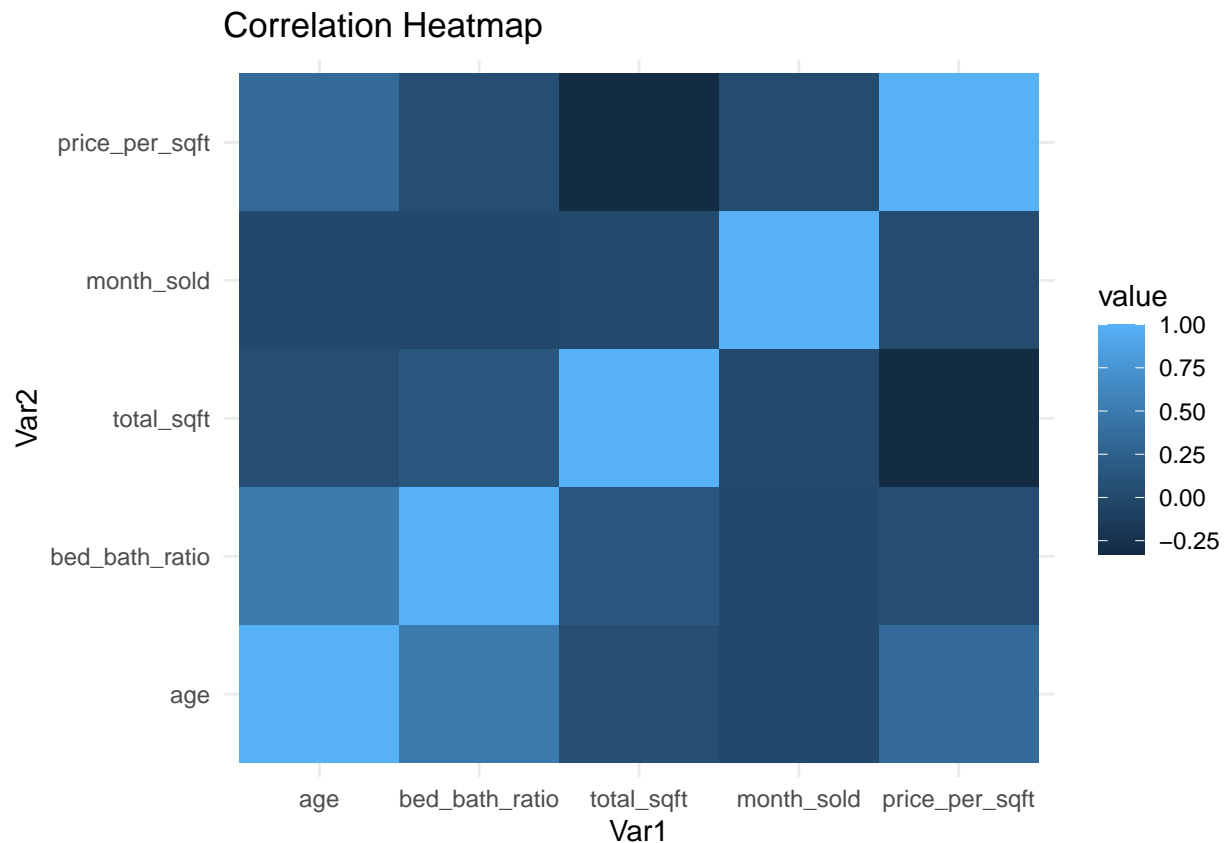
```
##      age      bed_bath_ratio      total_sqft      month_sold
##  Min.   :0.0000   Min.   :0.00000   Min.   :0.0000   Min.   :0.0000
##  1st Qu.:0.1652   1st Qu.:0.09722   1st Qu.:0.2501   1st Qu.:1.0000
##  Median :0.3826   Median :0.14881   Median :0.3740   Median :1.0000
##  Mean   :0.3892   Mean   :0.16406   Mean   :0.3706   Mean   :0.7777
##  3rd Qu.:0.5565   3rd Qu.:0.18750   3rd Qu.:0.4773   3rd Qu.:1.0000
##  Max.   :1.0000   Max.   :1.00000   Max.   :1.0000   Max.   :1.0000
## price_per_sqft
##  Min.   :0.0000
##  1st Qu.:0.1261
##  Median :0.2208
##  Mean   :0.2404
##  3rd Qu.:0.3223
##  Max.   :1.0000
```

```
# Calculate correlation matrix
correlation_matrix <- cor(house_data_clean[columns_to_normalize])

# Create a heatmap of the correlation matrix
library(ggplot2)
library(reshape2)

# Melt the correlation matrix for visualization
correlation_melted <- melt(correlation_matrix)

# Create the heatmap
ggplot(data = correlation_melted, aes(x = Var1, y = Var2, fill = value)) +
  geom_tile() +
  theme_minimal() +
  labs(title = "Correlation Heatmap")
```



Part2

Identify categorical, ordinal and numerical variables

```
# Display the structure of the dataframe
str(house_data_clean)
```

```
## 'data.frame':    11263 obs. of  27 variables:
## $ id             : num  7.13e+09 5.63e+09 2.49e+09 1.95e+09 1.32e+09 ...
## $ date           : Date, format: "2014-10-13" "2015-02-25" ...
## $ price          : num  221900 180000 604000 510000 257500 ...
## $ bedrooms       : num  3 2 4 3 3 3 3 3 2 3 ...
## $ bathrooms      : num  1 1 3 2 2.25 1.5 1 2.5 1 1.75 ...
## $ sqft_living     : num  1180 770 1960 1680 1715 ...
## $ sqft_lot        : num  5650 10000 5000 8080 6819 ...
## $ floors          : num  1 1 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 ...
## $ waterfront      : int  0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ view            : int  0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ condition       : int  3 3 5 3 3 3 3 3 4 4 ...
## $ grade           : int  7 6 7 8 7 7 7 7 7 7 ...
## $ sqft_above      : int  1180 770 1050 1680 1715 1060 1050 1890 860 1370 ...
## $ sqft_basement   : int  0 0 910 0 0 0 730 0 300 0 ...
## $ yr_built        : int  1955 1933 1965 1987 1995 1963 1960 2003 1942 1977 ...
## $ yr_renovated    : int  0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ zipcode         : int  98178 98028 98136 98074 98003 98198 98146 98038 98115 98074 ...
## $ lat             : num  47.5 47.7 47.5 47.6 47.3 ...
```

```
## $ long      : num  -122 -122 -122 -122 -122 ...
## $ sqft_living15 : int  1340 2720 1360 1800 2238 1650 1780 2390 1330 1370 ...
## $ sqft_lot15   : int  5650 8062 5000 7503 6819 9711 8113 7570 6000 10208 ...
## $ decade_built : num  1950 1930 1960 1980 1990 1960 1960 2000 1940 1970 ...
## $ age          : num   0.522 0.713 0.435 0.243 0.174 ...
## $ bed_bath_ratio: num   0.3229 0.1875 0.0972 0.1198 0.0972 ...
## $ total_sqft    : num   0.28 0.488 0.287 0.434 0.37 ...
## $ month_sold    : num    0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 ...
## $ price_per_sqft: num   0.1426 0.2075 0.3131 0.3066 0.0888 ...
## - attr(*, "na.action")= 'omit' Named int [1:3995] 11 13 19 24 25 27 32 33 38 39 ...
## ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:3995] "11" "13" "19" "24" ...
```

```
# Assuming 'house_data' is your data frame
categorical_vars <- c("waterfront", "view", "zipcode")

# Checking the unique values in each categorical variable
sapply(house_data_clean[categorical_vars], function(x) unique(x))
```

```
## $waterfront
## [1] 0
##
## $view
## [1] 0
##
## $zipcode
## [1] 98178 98028 98136 98074 98003 98198 98146 98038 98115 98107 98019 98103
## [13] 98133 98092 98002 98112 98052 98027 98117 98058 98056 98119 98007 98148
## [25] 98105 98042 98166 98122 98144 98001 98034 98125 98008 98116 98118 98059
## [37] 98023 98102 98168 98029 98006 98109 98177 98030 98126 98040 98155 98053
## [49] 98031 98024 98108 98106 98032 98072 98033 98055 98011 98005 98075 98188
## [61] 98004 98010 98199 98022 98065 98077 98014 98070 98039
```

```
categorical_vars
```

```
## [1] "waterfront" "view"      "zipcode"
```

Identifying N

```
# Assuming 'house_data' is your data frame
ordinal_vars <- c("condition", "grade")

# Checking the unique values in each ordinal variable
sapply(house_data_clean[ordinal_vars], function(x) unique(x))
```

```
##      condition grade
## [1,]         3     7
## [2,]         5     6
## [3,]         4     8
## [4,]         2     9
```

```
# Assuming 'house_data_clean' is your data frame
numerical_vars <- sapply(house_data_clean, is.numeric)
numerical_vars
```

```
##          id          date          price          bedrooms          bathrooms
##          TRUE          FALSE          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE
## sqft_living sqft_lot      floors      waterfront      view
##          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE
##          condition      grade sqft_above sqft_basement      yr_built
##          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE
## yr_renovated      zipcode      lat      long sqft_living15
##          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE
## sqft_lot15 decade_built      age bed_bath_ratio      total_sqft
##          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE          TRUE
## month_sold price_per_sqft
##          TRUE          TRUE
```

Measures of centrality and distribution

```
# Assuming 'house_data_clean' is your data frame
numerical_vars <- sapply(house_data_clean, is.numeric)
numerical_vars <- names(numerical_vars[numerical_vars])

# Display summary statistics for numerical variables
summary_stats <- summary(house_data_clean[numerical_vars])

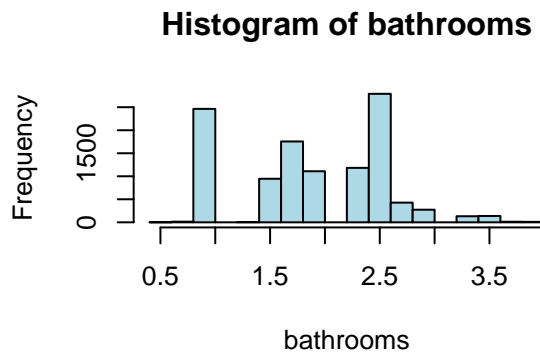
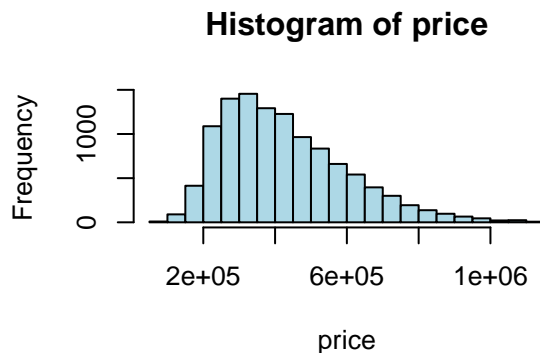
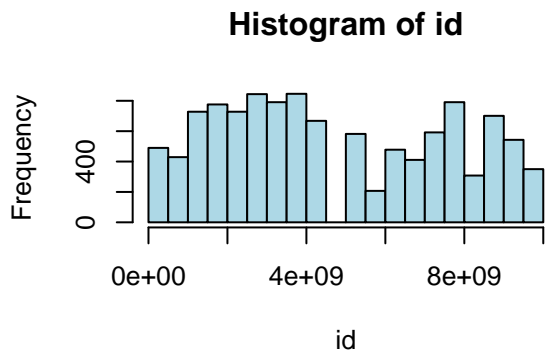
# Print summary statistics
print(summary_stats)
```

```
##          id          price          bedrooms          bathrooms
## Min.   :2.800e+06 Min.   : 82000 Min.   :2.000 Min.   :0.500
## 1st Qu.:2.290e+09 1st Qu.: 295000 1st Qu.:3.000 1st Qu.:1.500
## Median :3.999e+09 Median : 399500 Median :3.000 Median :2.000
## Mean   :4.684e+09 Mean   : 428819 Mean   :3.221 Mean   :1.938
## 3rd Qu.:7.338e+09 3rd Qu.: 535000 3rd Qu.:4.000 3rd Qu.:2.500
## Max.   :9.895e+09 Max.   :1125000 Max.   :5.000 Max.   :4.000
## sqft_living sqft_lot      floors      waterfront      view
## Min.   : 560 Min.   : 520 Min.   :1.000 Min.   :0 Min.   :0
## 1st Qu.:1320 1st Qu.: 4560 1st Qu.:1.000 1st Qu.:0 1st Qu.:0
## Median :1690 Median : 6976 Median :1.000 Median :0 Median :0
## Mean   :1746 Mean   : 6801 Mean   :1.455 Mean   :0 Mean   :0
## 3rd Qu.:2130 3rd Qu.: 8750 3rd Qu.:2.000 3rd Qu.:0 3rd Qu.:0
## Max.   :3930 Max.   :17859 Max.   :3.500 Max.   :0 Max.   :0
## condition      grade      sqft_above sqft_basement      yr_built
## Min.   :2.000 Min.   :6.000 Min.   : 480 Min.   : 0.0 Min.   :1900
## 1st Qu.:3.000 1st Qu.:7.000 1st Qu.:1120 1st Qu.: 0.0 1st Qu.:1951
## Median :3.000 Median :7.000 Median :1400 Median : 0.0 Median :1971
## Mean   :3.433 Mean   :7.328 Mean   :1524 Mean   : 221.6 Mean   :1970
## 3rd Qu.:4.000 3rd Qu.:8.000 3rd Qu.:1830 3rd Qu.: 440.0 3rd Qu.:1996
## Max.   :5.000 Max.   :9.000 Max.   :3090 Max.   :1200.0 Max.   :2015
## yr_renovated      zipcode      lat      long sqft_living15
## Min.   :0 Min.   :98001 Min.   :47.19 Min.   : -122.5 Min.   : 620
```

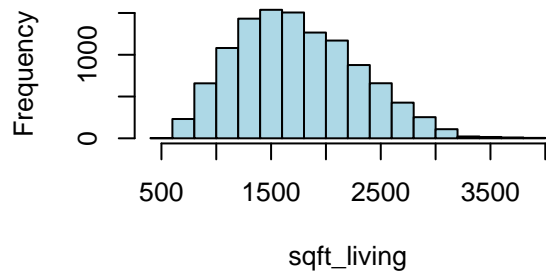
```
## 1st Qu.:0      1st Qu.:98033  1st Qu.:47.46  1st Qu.: -122.3  1st Qu.:1410
## Median :0      Median :98074  Median :47.57  Median : -122.3  Median :1670
## Mean :0        Mean :98082  Mean :47.56   Mean : -122.2   Mean :1741
## 3rd Qu.:0      3rd Qu.:98119  3rd Qu.:47.68  3rd Qu.: -122.2  3rd Qu.:2030
## Max. :0        Max. :98199  Max. :47.78   Max. : -121.9   Max. :2990
## sqft_lot15     decade_built    age      bed_bath_ratio
## Min. : 659     Min. :1900    Min. :0.0000  Min. :0.000000
## 1st Qu.: 4668  1st Qu.:1950  1st Qu.:0.1652 1st Qu.:0.09722
## Median : 7102  Median :1970  Median :0.3826  Median :0.14881
## Mean : 6698   Mean :1966   Mean :0.3892   Mean :0.16406
## 3rd Qu.: 8535  3rd Qu.:1990  3rd Qu.:0.5565 3rd Qu.:0.18750
## Max. :14482   Max. :2010   Max. :1.0000   Max. :1.00000
## total_sqft     month_sold      price_per_sqft
## Min. :0.0000    Min. :0.0000    Min. :0.0000
## 1st Qu.:0.2501  1st Qu.:1.0000  1st Qu.:0.1261
## Median :0.3740  Median :1.0000  Median :0.2208
## Mean :0.3706   Mean :0.7777   Mean :0.2404
## 3rd Qu.:0.4773  3rd Qu.:1.0000  3rd Qu.:0.3223
## Max. :1.0000   Max. :1.0000   Max. :1.0000
```

```
# Create histograms for numerical variables
par(mfrow = c(2, 2)) # Set up a 2x2 grid for subplots

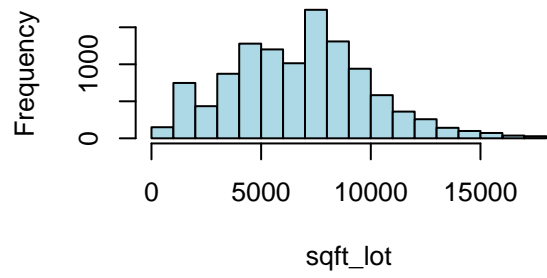
for (var in numerical_vars) {
  hist(house_data_clean[[var]], main = paste("Histogram of", var), xlab = var, col = "lightblue", border = "black")
}
```



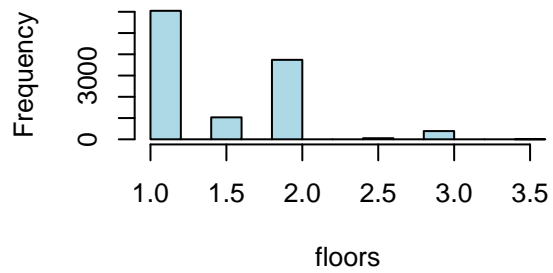
Histogram of sqft_living



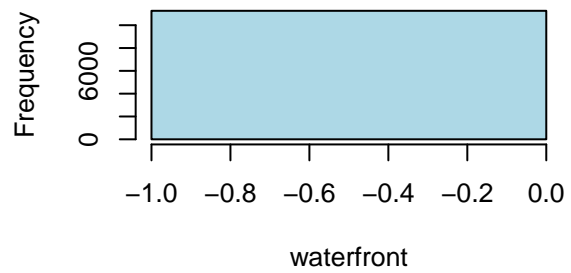
Histogram of sqft_lot



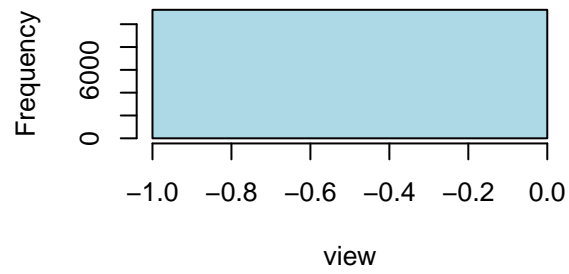
Histogram of floors



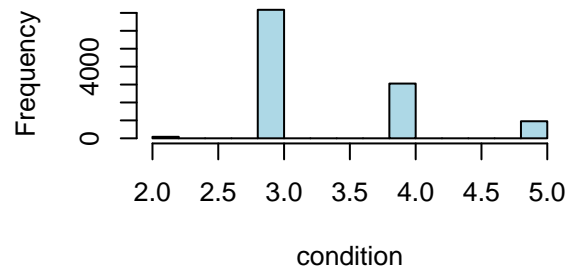
Histogram of waterfront



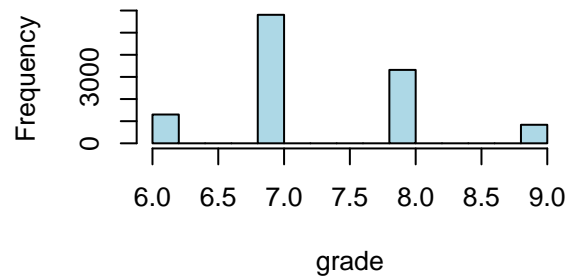
Histogram of view



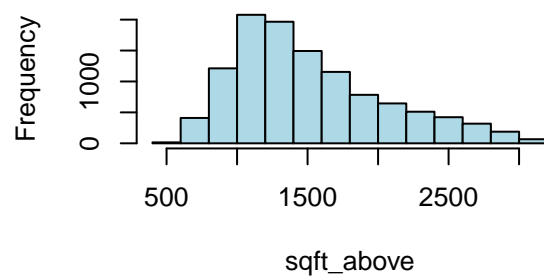
Histogram of condition



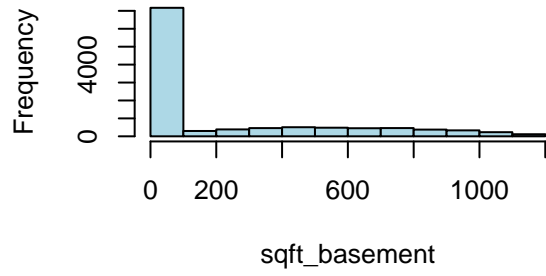
Histogram of grade



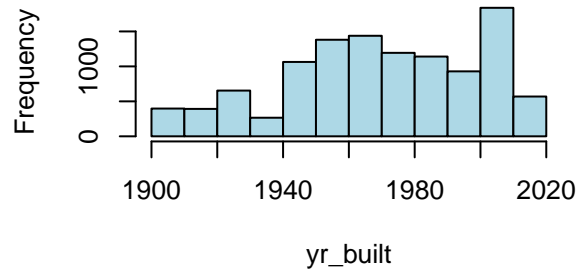
Histogram of sqft_above



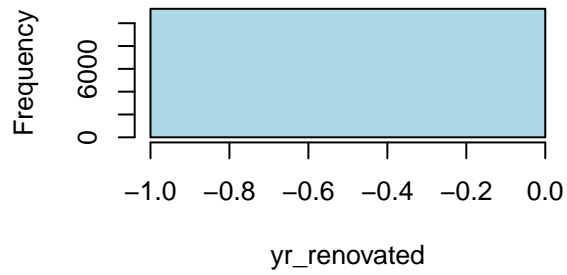
Histogram of sqft_basement



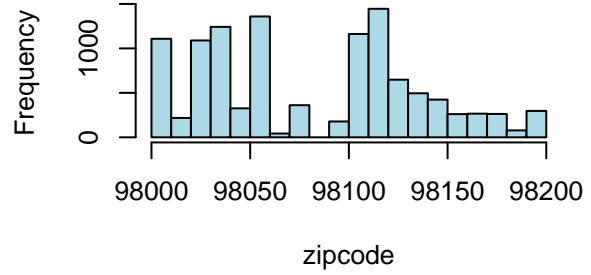
Histogram of yr_built



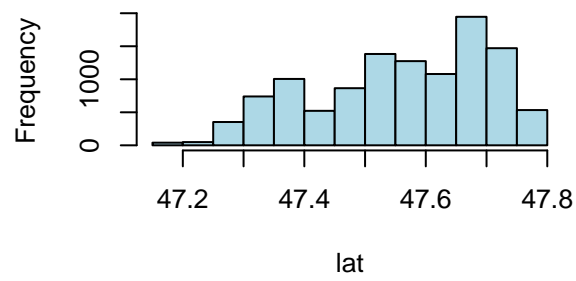
Histogram of yr_renovated



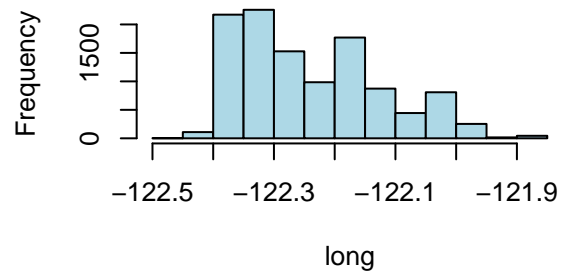
Histogram of zipcode



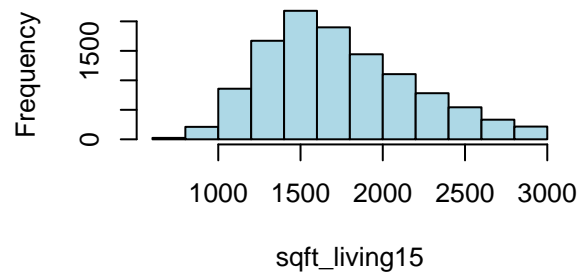
Histogram of lat



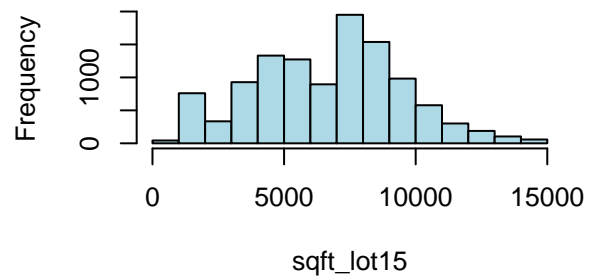
Histogram of long

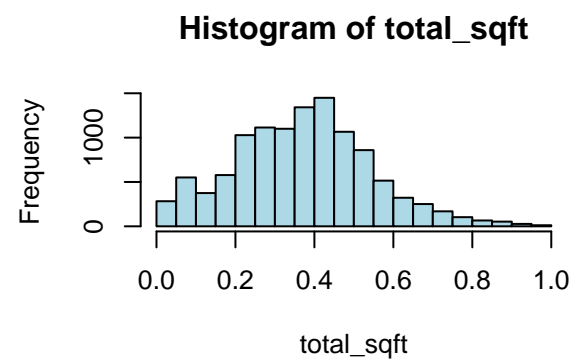
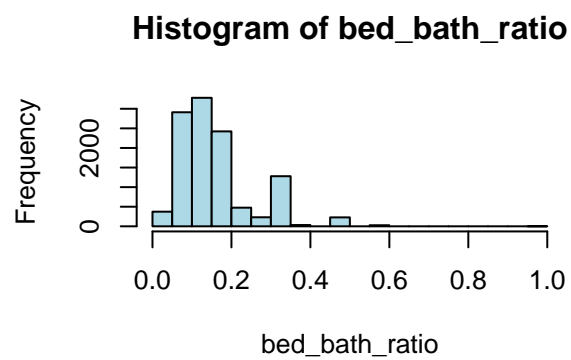
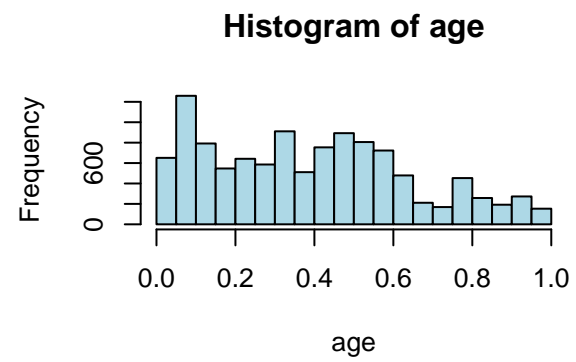
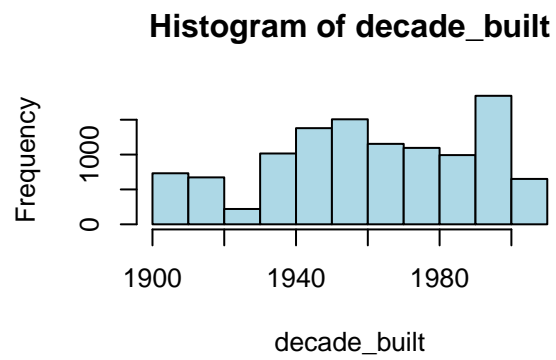


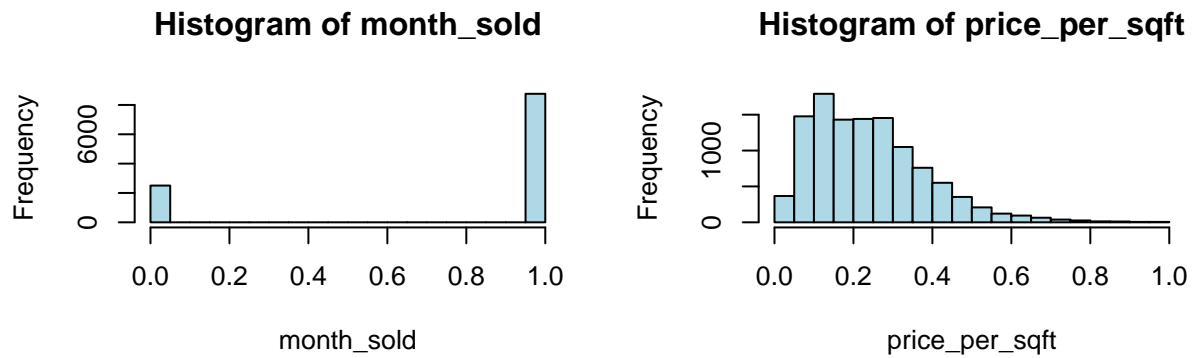
Histogram of sqft_living15



Histogram of sqft_lot15







```
correlation_matrix <- cor(house_data_clean[, sapply(house_data_clean, is.numeric)])
```

```
## Warning in cor(house_data_clean[, sapply(house_data_clean, is.numeric)):
```

```
## standard deviation is zero
```

```
library(caret)
nearZeroVarCols <- nearZeroVar(house_data_clean, saveMetrics = TRUE)
```

```
library(caret)

# Assuming 'house_data_clean' is your data frame
nearZeroVarCols <- nearZeroVar(house_data_clean, saveMetrics = TRUE)

# Extract the names of near-zero variance columns
nearZeroVarNames <- names(house_data_clean)[nearZeroVarCols$nzv]

# Exclude near-zero variance variables from the dataset
filtered_data <- house_data_clean[, !names(house_data_clean) %in% nearZeroVarNames]
```

```
# Assuming 'filtered_data' is your dataset without near-zero variance variables
```

```
# Select numeric variables for correlation analysis
numeric_variables <- filtered_data[, sapply(filtered_data, is.numeric)]
```

```
# Compute the correlation matrix for numeric variables
correlation_matrix_filtered <- cor(numeric_variables)
```

```
# Visualize the correlation matrix using a heatmap
library(corrplot)
```

```
## corrplot 0.92 loaded
```

```
corrplot(correlation_matrix_filtered, method = "color")
```

