## ps4 nocode

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## 1 BA 222 PS4

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- a) Where is King County? Use the zip codes if you are unsure.
  - It is in Washington
- b) How many observations are in the dataset? What does 1 row correspond to?
  - There are 21613 observations in the dataset
  - Each row corresponds to a house in the county
- c) What are the median statistics for price, bedrooms, bathrooms, square foot of living space, and year built?
  - Price: 450000Bedrooms: 3Bathrooms: 2.25
  - Square Foot of Living Space: 1910
  - Year Built: 1975
- d) Run the regression:

$$Price = a + b * Bedrooms$$

- Write a full sentence explaining the coefficient on bedrooms.
  - \* The coefficient on bedrooms is about 121716 which means that every additional bedroom corresponds to an increase of house price by about 121716 dollars.
- Is the coefficient statistically significant? What is the 95% confidence interval on the coefficient on bedrooms? Interpret the interval.
  - \* The coefficient is statistically significant because the p-value is less than 0.05.
  - \* The 95% confidence interval on the coefficient on bedrooms is  $[1.17*10^5, 1.27*10^5]$  which means that we are 95% confident that the true coefficient on bedrooms is between 117000 and 127000.
- If a house has 2 bedrooms, what does the one variable model predict the price will be?
  - \* Approximately \$373234.61
- Is the relationship between bedrooms and price necessarily causal?
  - \* The relationship between bedrooms and price is not necessarily causal. There could be other factors that affect the price of a house that are not accounted for in this model
- Interpert the  $R^2$  value of this model.

- \* The  $R^2$  value of this model is 0.095 which means that 9.5% of the variation in price can be explained by the number of bedrooms.
- e) Run the regression of price on bedrooms and living square footage:

$$Price = a + b * Bedrooms + c * Sqft_living$$

- Write a full sentence explaining the coefficient on bedrooms. How has it changed? Why might it have changed?
  - \* The coefficient of bedrooms is now negative (from  $1.298*10^5$  to  $-5.707*10^4$ ), which corresponds to a decrease in the price of the house when the number of bedrooms increases. The coefficient might have changed because of the addition of a new variable or because more bedrooms could actually decrease the price of a house. In addition to this, there may be a different variable that increases the value of a house.
- How has the  $R^2$  changed from the first model?
  - \* The  $R^2$  value has increased from 0.095 to 0.507 which means that 50.7% of the variability in housing prices can be explained by the number of bedrooms and the square footage of living space.
- What does the model predict for the price of a 2 bedroom, 1000 square foot apartment? \*279,284.53
- What does the model predict for the price of a 3 bedroom, 1000 square foot apartment?
   \* 222,217.77
- f) Add dummies for zip code to your second model and run the regression:

$$Price = a + b * Bedrooms + c * Sqft_living + d * Zip$$

You should have 70 zip dummies. You do not need to interpret them, just include them.

- What is the  $R^2$  of this model? Write a full sentence.
  - \* The  $R^2$  value of this model is 0.738 which means that 73.8% of the variation in price can be explained by the number of bedrooms, square footage of living space, and zip code.
- What is the coefficient on bedrooms? How does it compare to the other models? Is it statistically significant?
  - \* The coefficient on bedrooms is  $-4.471*10^4$  which is greater than the previous model. It is statistically significant because the p-value is less than 0.05.
- Suppose we wanted to use this model to make a casual statement about the effect of bedrooms. Write a full sentence about the assumption we would have to make.
  - \* We would have to assume that all other variables (such as square footage and zipcode) are controlled and as good as randomly assigned to assume causality.
- g) Run one more model to evaluate the effect of bedrooms on price, picking some other variable(s) for controls. What variables did you include? Write the full estimating equation, and include a screenshot of your results. What coefficient for bedrooms do you find?
  - I included square footage of living space, bathrooms, and number of floors as controls, while still keeping bedrooms. The full estimating equation is:
    - \* Price =  $7.467 * 10^4 5.785 * 10^4 *$  Bedrooms + 309.3932 \* Sqft\_living + 7853.5216 \* Bathrooms + 200.4972 \* Floors

– The coefficient for bedrooms is  $-5.785 * 10^4$  which is close to the coefficient in the first model, but smaller than the coefficient in the second model.

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OLS Regression Results  Dep. Variable: price R-squared: 0.507  Model: OLS Adj. R-squared: 0.507
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Method: Least Squares F-statistic: 5554.
Date: Fri, 17 Nov 2023 Prob (F-statistic): 0.00
Time: 21:39:18 Log-Likelihood: -2.9996e+05
No. Observations: 21613 AIC: 5.999e+05
Df Residuals: 21608 BIC: 6.000e+05
Df Model: 4
Covariance Type: nonrobust
coef std err t P> t  [0.025 0.975]
const 7.467e+04 7679.122 9.724 0.000 5.96e+04 8.97e+04
bedrooms -5.785e+04 2347.323 -24.644 0.000 -6.24e+04 -5.32e+04
sqft_living 309.3932 3.087 100.228 0.000 303.343 315.444
bathrooms 7853.5216 3814.223 2.059 0.040 377.363 1.53e+04
floors 200.4972 3775.505 0.053 0.958 -7199.772 7600.766
Omnibus: 14450.413 Durbin-Watson: 1.985
Prob(Omnibus): 0.000 Jarque-Bera (JB): 494760.943
Skew: 2.739 Prob(JB): 0.00
Kurtosis: 25.790 Cond. No. 1.04e+04
Notes:

- [1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.
- [2] The condition number is large, 1.04e+04. This might indicate that there are strong multicollinearity or other numerical problems.