

# Ames Housing Prices

---

Bobble Bee's investment fund:

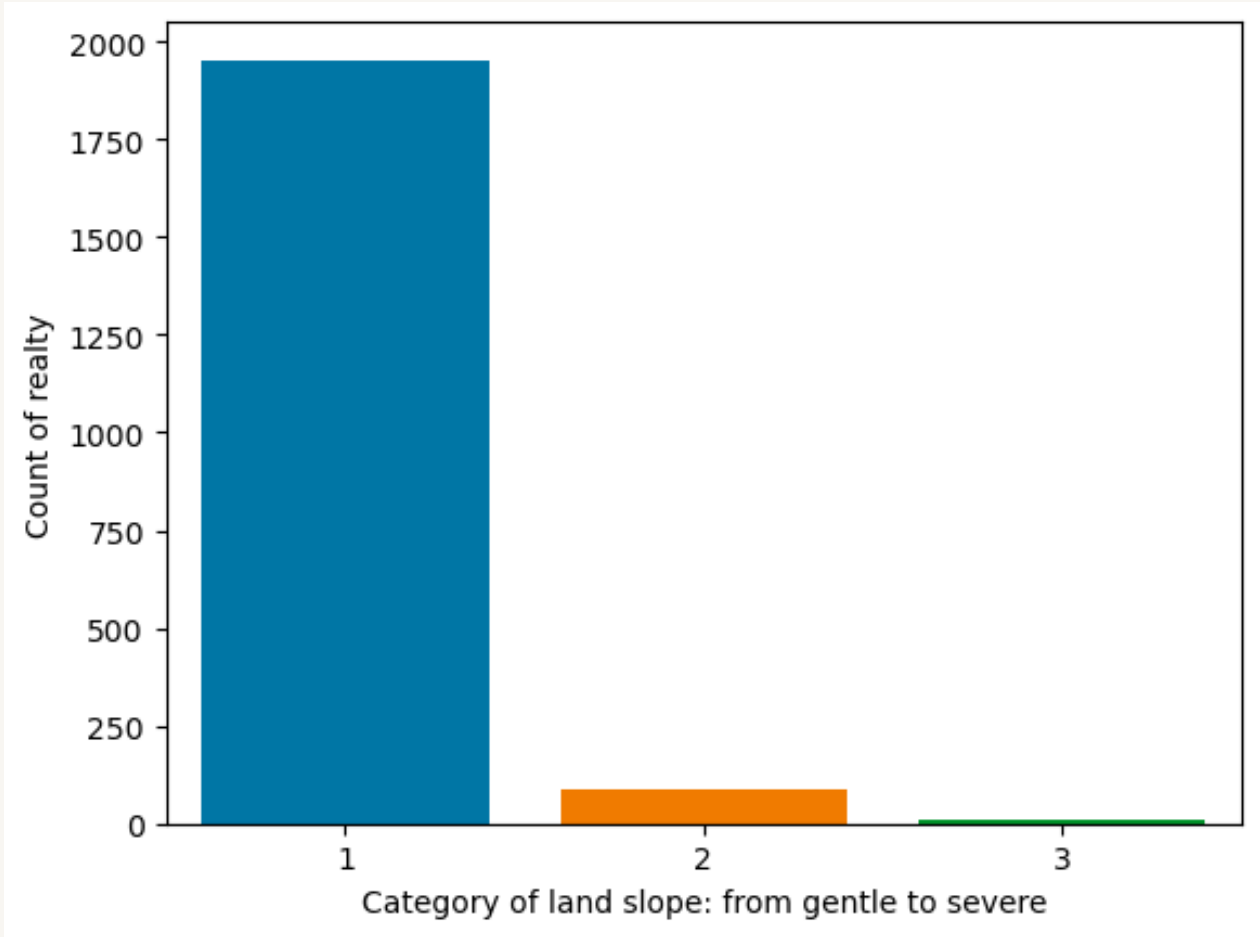
Maximize their profit investing in Ames housing

**How?**

**Selecting realty that are predicted to be worth more than the actual price**

# Filtering variables

1. Variables that don't show variability  
Ex: 95% of data fit into one category



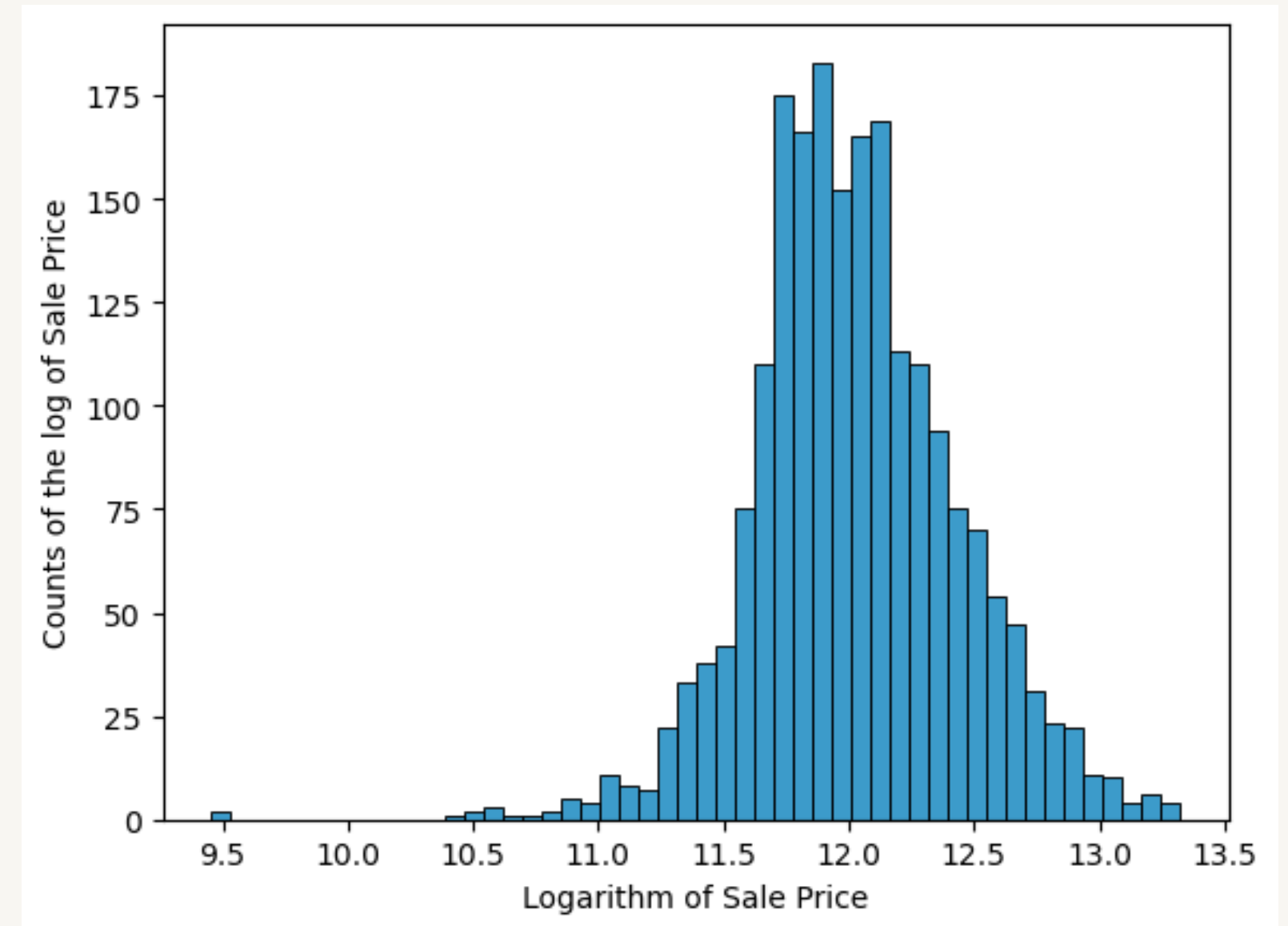
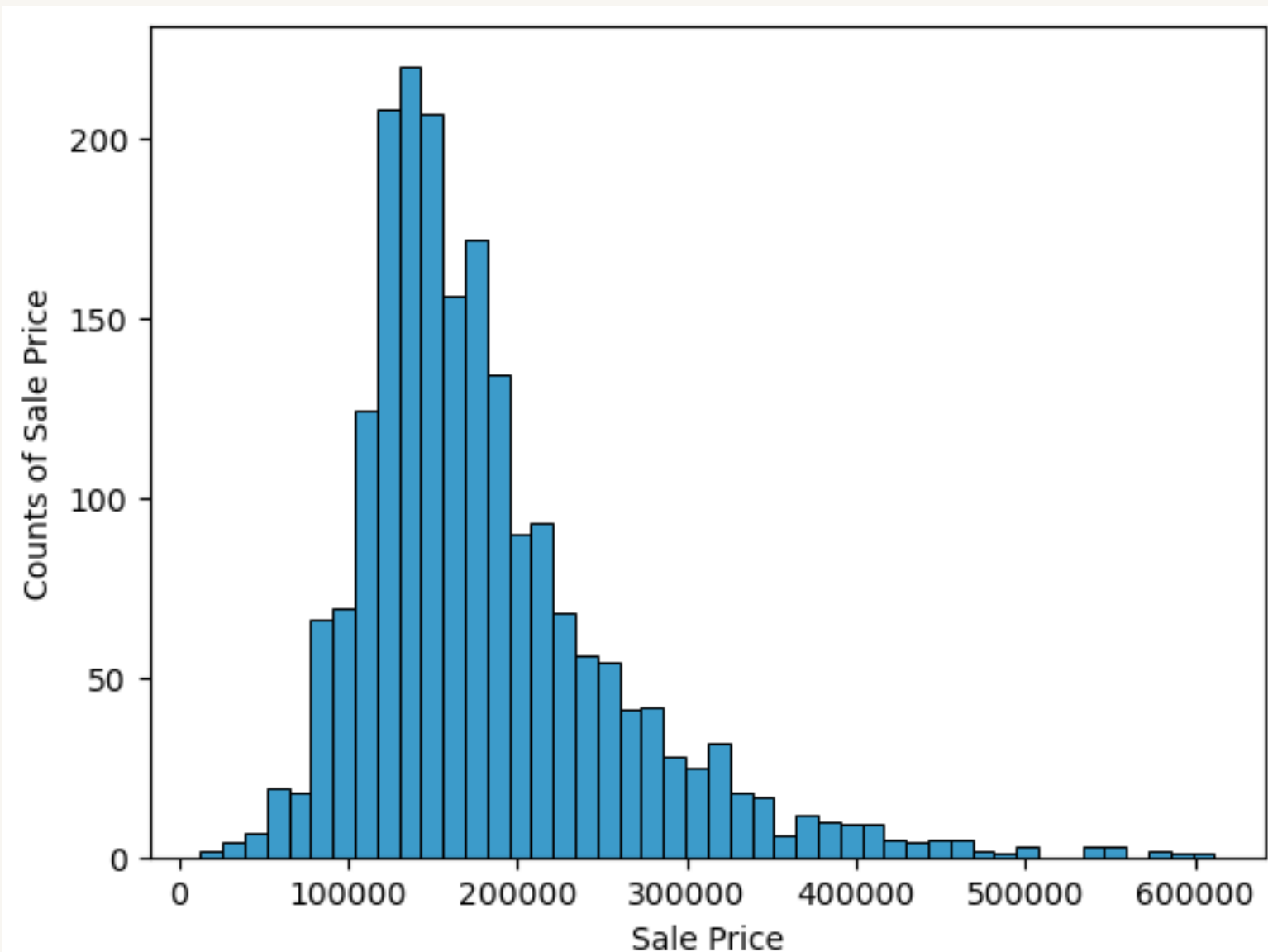
2. Underrepresentative variables  
Variables that are present in only 20% or less of data

Variables and non-nulls	
Alley	140
Pool QC	9
Misc Feature	65
Fence	400

R2 Score of 88.5%

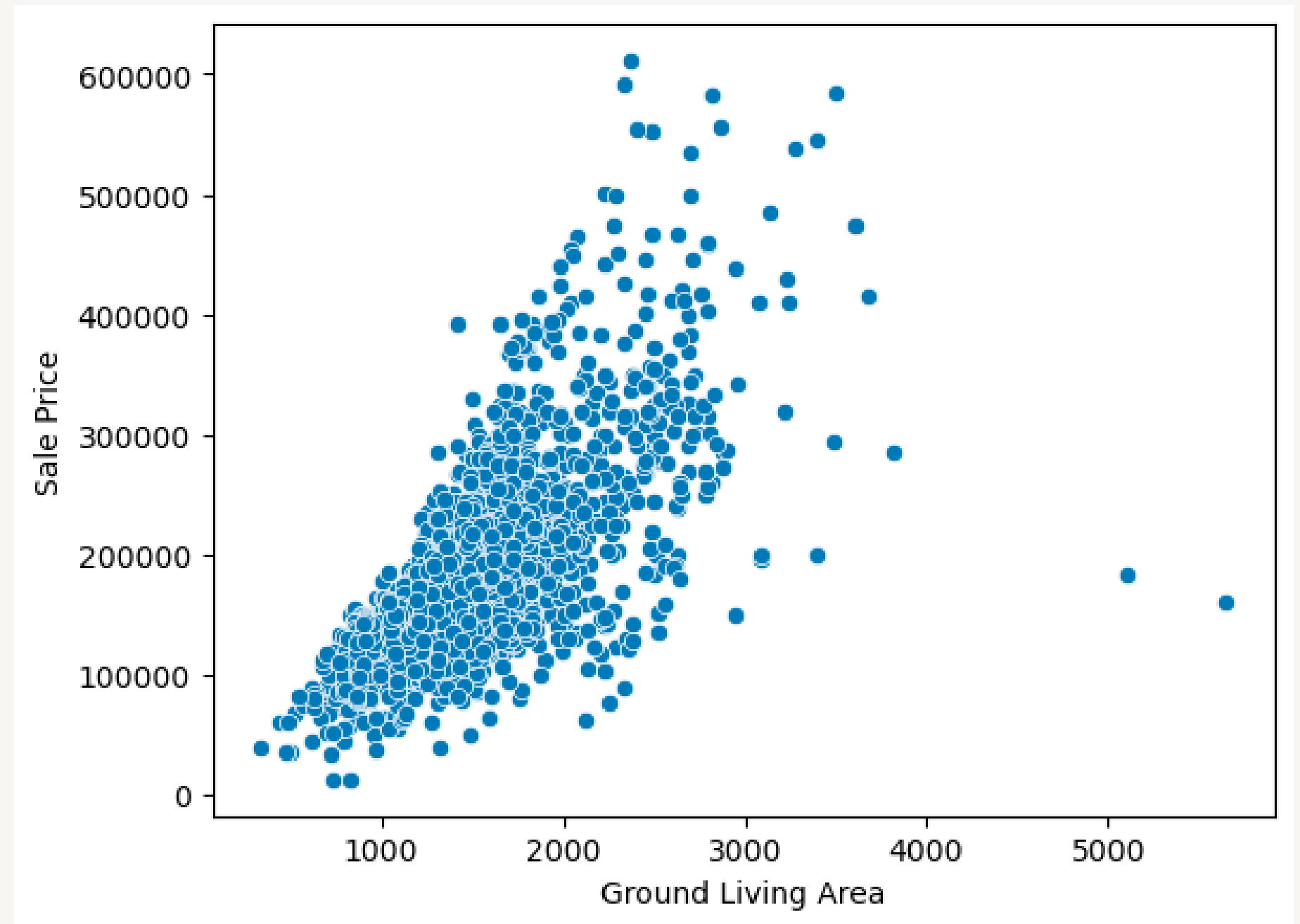
# Transforming the target variable

- Logarithm of sale price
- More Normal distribution
- Improved linear regression metrics: R2 score went from 88.5% to 90.3%



# Removing outliers

- Data points with ground living area greater than 40000 square feet
- R2 score went from 90.3% to 92.3%



# Regularization - Ridge Regression

Although filtering data to avoid overfitting as much as possible,  
Regularization was also used to reduce possible overfitting

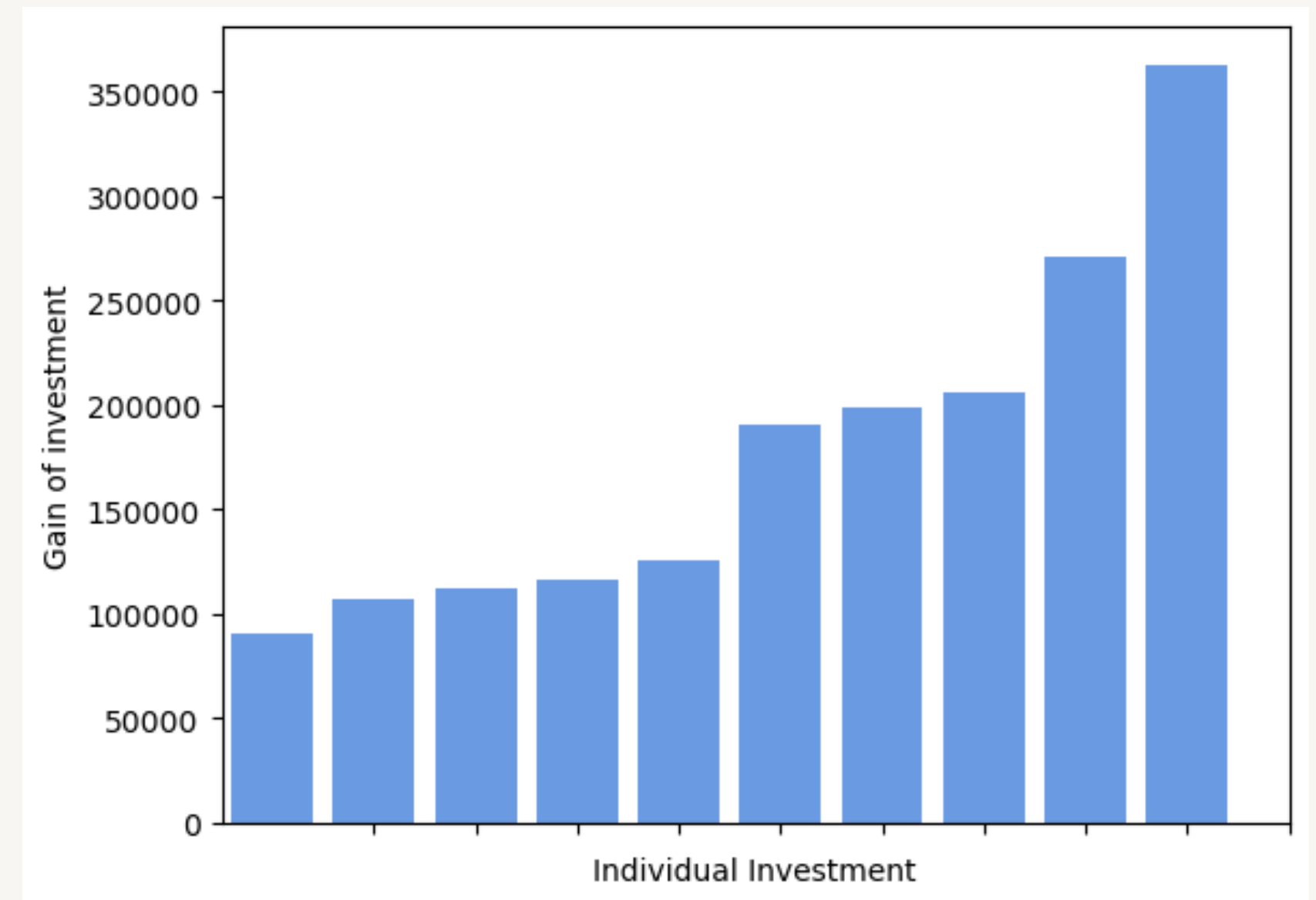
**Ridge regression generated an  $R^2$  of 91.2% in the test set**

# Conclusion and Recommendations

---

## (Value Predicted) - (Actual Value)

- There are 2 opportunities of gains of approximately \$250,000 or more each
- There are 9 opportunities of gains of approximately \$100,000 or more each



**Any questions?**