

House Price Prediction



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INTRODUCTION

Business Problem Statement

- A US-based housing company named Surprise Housing has decided to enter the Australian market. The company uses data analytics to purchase houses at a price below their actual values and flip them at a higher price. For the same purpose, the company has collected a data set from the sale of houses in Australia.
- The company is looking at prospective properties to buy houses to enter the market. You are required to build a model using Machine Learning in order to predict the actual value of the prospective properties and decide whether to invest in them or not. For this company wants to know:
- ➤ Which variables are important to predict the price of variable?
- How do these variables describe the price of the house?

Conceptual Background of the Domain Problem

- ➤ Houses are one of the necessary need of each and every person around the globe and therefore housing and real estate market is one of the markets which is one of the major contributors in the world's economy. It is a very large market and there are various companies working in the domain.
- ➤ Data science comes as a very important tool to solve problems in the domain to help the companies increase their overall revenue, profits, improving their marketing strategies and focusing on changing trends in house sales and purchases.
- Predictive modelling, Market mix modelling, recommendation systems are some of the machine learning techniques used for achieving the business goals for housing companies. Our problem is related to one such housing company.

Review

- We are required to model the price of houses with the available independent variables.
- This model will then be used by the management to understand how exactly the prices vary with the variables.
- They can accordingly manipulate the strategy of the firm and concentrate on areas that will yield high returns.
- Further, the model will be a good way for the management to understand the pricing dynamics of a new market.

Motivation for the Problem Undertaken

Having lived in India for so many years if there is one thing that I had been taking for granted, it's that housing and rental prices continue to rise. Housing prices have recovered remarkably well, especially in major housing markets.

- > So, to maintain the transparency among customers and also the comparison can be made easy through this model. If customer finds the price of house at some given website higher than the price predicted by the model, so he can reject that house.
- So we have to predict the pricing as per customers requirement and needs.

Analytical Problem Framing

• Dataset Representation:

```
# Load the dataset

df_train=pd.read_csv('house_train.csv')

df_test=pd.read_csv('house_test.csv')
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1		# View the train data df_train.head()											
	ld	MSSubClass	MSZoning	LotFrontage	LotArea	Street	Alley	LotShape	LandContour	Utilities	LotConfig	LandSlope	
0	127	120	RL	NaN	4928	Pave	NaN	IR1	Lvl	AllPub	Inside	Gtl	
1	889	20	RL	95.0	15865	Pave	NaN	IR1	LvI	AllPub	Inside	Mod	
2	793	60	RL	92.0	9920	Pave	NaN	IR1	Lvl	AllPub	CulDSac	Gtl	
3	110	20	RL	105.0	11751	Pave	NaN	IR1	Lvl	AllPub	Inside	Gtl	
4	422	20	RL	NaN	16635	Pave	NaN	IR1	LvI	AllPub	FR2	Gtl	

Observation:

- 1. Seeing the data we have to build a model which can be used to predict the SalePrice.
- 2. The data seems to be a combination of both numerical and categorical features.

So clearly it is a regression problem.

Data Sources and their formats & inferences

MSSubClass: Identifies the type of dwelling involved in the sale.

20 1-STORY 1946 & NEWER ALL STYLES
30 1-STORY 1945 & OLDER
40 1-STORY W/FINISHED ATTIC ALL AGES
45 1-1/2 STORY - UNFINISHED ALL AGES
50 1-1/2 STORY FINISHED ALL AGES
60 2-STORY 1946 & NEWER
70 2-STORY 1945 & OLDER
75 2-1/2 STORY ALL AGES
80 SPLIT OR MULTI-LEVEL
85 SPLIT FOYER

90 DUPLEX - ALL STYLES AND AGES

120 1-STORY PUD (Planned Unit Development) - 1946 & NEV	VER
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- 150 1-1/2 STORY PUD ALL AGES
- 160 2-STORY PUD 1946 & NEWER
- 180 PUD MULTILEVEL INCL SPLIT LEV/FOYER
- 190 2 FAMILY CONVERSION ALL STYLES AND AGES

MSZoning: Identifies the general zoning classification of the sale.

- A Agriculture
- C Commercial
- FV Floating Village Residential
- I Industrial
- RH Residential High Density
- **RL** Residential Low Density
- RP Residential Low Density Park
- **RMResidential Medium Density**

LotFrontage: Linear feet of street connected to property

LotArea: Lot size in square feet

Street: Type of road access to property

Grvl Gravel Pave Paved

Alley: Type of alley access to property

Grvl Gravel Pave Paved

NA No alley access

LotShape: General shape of property

Reg Regular IR1 Slightly irregular IR2 Moderately Irregular IR3 Irregular

LandContour: Flatness of the property

Lvl Near Flat/Level

Bnk Banked - Quick and significant rise from street grade to building

HLS Hillside - Significant slope from side to side

Low Depression

Utilities: Type of utilities available

AllPub All public Utilities (E,G,W,&S)

NoSewr Electricity, Gas, and Water (Septic Tank)

NoSeWa Electricity and Gas Only

ELO Electricity only

LotConfig: Lot configuration

Inside Inside lot Corner Corner lot CulDSac Cul-de-sac

FR2 Frontage on 2 sides of property FR3 Frontage on 3 sides of property

LandSlope: Slope of property

Gtl Gentle slope

Mod Moderate Slope

SevSevere Slope

Neighborhood: Physical locations within Ames city limits

Blmngtn Bloomington Heights

Blueste Bluestem
BrDale Briardale
BrkSide Brookside
ClearCr Clear Creek
CollgCr College Creek
Crawfor Crawford
Edwards Edwards
Gilbert Gilbert

IDOTRR Iowa DOT and Rail Road

Meadow Village

Mitchel Mitchell
Names North Ames
NoRidge Northridge
NPkVill Northpark Villa
NridgHt Northridge Heights
NWAmes Northwest Ames

OldTown Old Town

SWISU South & West of Iowa State University

Sawyer Sawyer

SawyerW Sawyer West Somerst Somerset StoneBr Stone Brook Timber Timberland Veenker Veenker

Condition1: Proximity to various conditions

Artery Adjacent to arterial street Feedr Adjacent to feeder street

Norm Normal

RRNn Within 200' of North-South Railroad RRAn Adjacent to North-South Railroad

PosN Near positive off-site feature--park, greenbelt, etc.

PosA Adjacent to postive off-site feature RRNe Within 200' of East-West Railroad RRAe Adjacent to East-West Railroad

Condition2: Proximity to various conditions (if more than one is present)

Artery Adjacent to arterial street Feedr Adjacent to feeder street

Norm Normal

RRNn Within 200' of North-South Railroad RRAn Adjacent to North-South Railroad

PosN Near positive off-site feature--park, greenbelt, etc.

PosA Adjacent to postive off-site feature RRNe Within 200' of East-West Railroad RRAe Adjacent to East-West Railroad

BldgType: Type of dwelling

1Fam Single-family Detached

2FmCon Two-family Conversion; originally built as one-family dwelling

Duplx Duplex

TwnhsE Townhouse End Unit
TwnhsI Townhouse Inside Unit

HouseStyle: Style of dwelling

1Story One story

1.5Fin One and one-half story: 2nd level finished

1.5Unf One and one-half story: 2nd level unfinished

2Story Two story

2.5Fin Two and one-half story: 2nd level finished2.5Unf Two and one-half story: 2nd level unfinished

SFoyer Split Foyer SLvl Split Level

OverallQual: Rates the overall material and finish of the house

- 10 Very Excellent
- 9 Excellent
- 8 Very Good
- 7 Good
- 6 Above Average
- 5 Average
- 4 Below Average
- 3 Fair
- 2 Poor
- 1 Very Poor

OverallCond: Rates the overall condition of the house

- 10 Very Excellent
- 9 Excellent
- 8 Very Good
- 7 Good
- 6 Above Average
- 5 Average
- 4 Below Average
- 3 Fair
- 2 Poor
- 1 Very Poor

YearBuilt: Original construction date

YearRemodAdd: Remodel date (same as construction date if no remodeling or additions)

RoofStyle: Type of roof

Flat Flat Gable Gable

Gambrel Gabrel (Barn)

HipHip

Mansard Mansard Shed Shed

RoofMatl: Roof material

ClyTile Clay or Tile

CompShg Standard (Composite) Shingle

Membran Membrane

Metal Metal Roll Roll

Tar&Grv Gravel & Tar WdShake Wood Shakes WdShngl Wood Shingles

Exterior1st: Exterior covering on house

AsbShng Asbestos Shingles

AsphShn Asphalt Shingles

BrkComm Brick Common

BrkFace Brick Face

CBlock Cinder Block

CemntBd Cement Board

HdBoard Hard Board

ImStucc Imitation Stucco

MetalSd Metal Siding

Other Other

Plywood Plywood

PreCast PreCast

Stone Stone

Stucco Stucco

VinylSd Vinyl Siding

Wd Sdng Wood Siding

WdShing Wood Shingles

Exterior2nd: Exterior covering on house (if more than one material)

AsbShng Asbestos Shingles

AsphShn Asphalt Shingles

BrkComm Brick Common

BrkFace Brick Face

CBlock Cinder Block

CemntBd Cement Board

HdBoard Hard Board

ImStucc Imitation Stucco

MetalSd Metal Siding

Other Other
Plywood Plywood
PreCast PreCast
Stone Stone
Stucco Stucco
VinylSd Vinyl Siding

Wd Sdng Wood Siding

WdShing Wood Shingles

MasVnrType: Masonry veneer type

BrkCmn Brick Common
BrkFace Brick Face
CBlock Cinder Block

None None Stone Stone

MasVnrArea: Masonry veneer area in square feet

ExterQual: Evaluates the quality of the material on the exterior

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Average/Typical

Fa Fair

Po Poor

ExterCond: Evaluates the present condition of the material on the exterior

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Average/Typical

Fa Fair

Po Poor

Foundation: Type of foundation

BrkTil Brick & Tile
CBlock Cinder Block
PConc Poured Contrete

Slab Slab Stone Stone Wood Wood

BsmtQual: Evaluates the height of the basement

Ex Excellent (100+ inches)

Gd Good (90-99 inches)

TA Typical (80-89 inches)

Fa Fair (70-79 inches)

Po Poor (<70 inches

NA No Basement

BsmtCond: Evaluates the general condition of the basement

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Typical - slight dampness allowed

Fa Fair - dampness or some cracking or settling

Po Poor - Severe cracking, settling, or wetness

NA No Basement

BsmtExposure: Refers to walkout or garden level walls

Gd Good Exposure

Av Average Exposure (split levels or foyers typically score average or above)

MnMimimum Exposure

No No Exposure

NA No Basement

BsmtFinType1: Rating of basement finished area

GLQ Good Living Quarters

ALQ Average Living Quarters

BLQ Below Average Living Quarters

Rec Average Rec Room

LwQ Low Quality
Unf Unfinshed

NA No Basement

BsmtFinSF1: Type 1 finished square feet

BsmtFinType2: Rating of basement finished area (if multiple types)

GLQ Good Living Quarters

ALQ Average Living Quarters

BLQ Below Average Living Quarters

Rec Average Rec Room

LwQ Low Quality
Unf Unfinshed
NA No Basement

BsmtFinSF2: Type 2 finished square feet

BsmtUnfSF: Unfinished square feet of basement area

TotalBsmtSF: Total square feet of basement area

Heating: Type of heating

Floor Floor Furnace

GasA Gas forced warm air furnace GasW Gas hot water or steam heat

Grav Gravity furnace

OthW Hot water or steam heat other than gas

Wall Wall furnace

HeatingQC: Heating quality and condition

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Average/Typical

Fa Fair Po Poor

CentralAir: Central air conditioning

N No Y Yes

Electrical: Electrical system

SBrkr Standard Circuit Breakers & Romex

Fuse A Fuse Box over 60 AMP and all Romex wiring (Average)
Fuse F 60 AMP Fuse Box and mostly Romex wiring (Fair)

FuseP 60 AMP Fuse Box and mostly knob & tube wiring (poor)

Mix Mixed

1stFlrSF: First Floor square feet

2ndFlrSF: Second floor square feet

LowQualFinSF: Low quality finished square feet (all floors)

GrLivArea: Above grade (ground) living area square feet

BsmtFullBath: Basement full bathrooms

BsmtHalfBath: Basement half bathrooms

FullBath: Full bathrooms above grade

HalfBath: Half baths above grade

Bedroom: Bedrooms above grade (does NOT include basement bedrooms)

Kitchen: Kitchens above grade

KitchenQual: Kitchen quality

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Typical/Average

Fa Fair

Po Poor

TotRmsAbvGrd: Total rooms above grade (does not include bathrooms)

Functional: Home functionality (Assume typical unless deductions are warranted)

Typ Typical Functionality
Min1 Minor Deductions 1
Min2 Minor Deductions 2
Mod Moderate Deductions
Maj1 Major Deductions 1
Maj2 Major Deductions 2

SevSeverely Damaged

Sal Salvage only

Fireplaces: Number of fireplaces

FireplaceQu: Fireplace quality

Ex Excellent - Exceptional Masonry Fireplace Gd Good - Masonry Fireplace in main level TA Average - Prefabricated Fireplace in main living area or Masonry Fireplace in basement

Fa Fair - Prefabricated Fireplace in basement

Po Poor - Ben Franklin Stove

NA No Fireplace

GarageType: Garage location

2Types More than one type of garage

Attchd Attached to home Basment Basement Garage

BuiltIn Built-In (Garage part of house - typically has room above garage)

CarPort Car Port

Detchd Detached from home

NA No Garage

GarageYrBlt: Year garage was built

GarageFinish: Interior finish of the garage

Fin Finished

RFn Rough Finished
Unf Unfinished

NA No Garage

GarageCars: Size of garage in car capacity

GarageArea: Size of garage in square feet

GarageQual: Garage quality

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Typical/Average

Fa Fair

Po Poor

NA No Garage

GarageCond: Garage condition

Ex Excellent

Gd Good

TA Typical/Average

Fa Fair

Po Poor

NA No Garage

PavedDrive: Paved driveway

Y Paved

P Partial Pavement

N Dirt/Gravel

WoodDeckSF: Wood deck area in square feet OpenPorchSF: Open porch area in square feet EnclosedPorch: Enclosed porch area in square feet 3SsnPorch: Three season porch area in square feet ScreenPorch: Screen porch area in square feet

PoolArea: Pool area in square feet

PoolQC: Pool quality

Ex Excellent Gd Good

TA Average/Typical

Fa Fair NA No Pool

Fence: Fence quality

GdPrv Good Privacy MnPrv Minimum Privacy

GdWo Good Wood

MnWw Minimum Wood/Wire

NA No Fence

MiscFeature: Miscellaneous feature not covered in other categories

Elev Elevator

Gar2 2nd Garage (if not described in garage section)

Othr Other

Shed Shed (over 100 SF)

TenC Tennis Court

NA None

MiscVal: \$Value of miscellaneous feature

MoSold: Month Sold (MM) YrSold: Year Sold (YYYY) SaleType: Type of sale

WD Warranty Deed - Conventional

CWD Warranty Deed - Cash

Warranty Deed - VA Loan VWD New Home just constructed and sold COD Court Officer Deed/Estate Con Contract 15% Down payment regular terms ConLw Contract Low Down payment and low interest ConLl **Contract Low Interest** ConLD Contract Low Down Oth Other SaleCondition: Condition of sale Normal Sale Normal Abnorml Abnormal Sale - trade, foreclosure, short sale AdjLand Adjoining Land Purchase Alloca Allocation - two linked properties with separate deeds, typically condo with a garage unit Sale between family members Family Partial Home was not completed when last assessed (associated with New Homes)

• Data Preprocessing

Change the categorical values into numerical

```
1 categoricals
2 len(categoricals)

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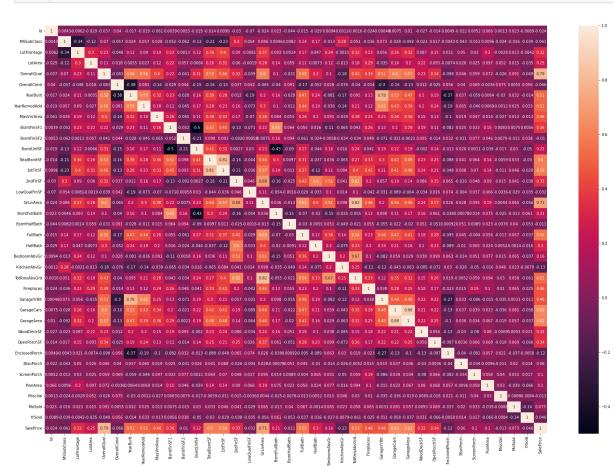
1 from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
2 encoder=LabelEncoder()

1 # Converting all categorical variables using label encoding rather than using One hot encoder to
2 for feature in categoricals:
    df_train[feature]=encoder.fit_transform(df_train[feature].astype(str))
5 for feature in categoricals_test:
    df_test[feature]=encoder.fit_transform(df_test[feature].astype(str))
```

Data Inputs- Logic- Output Relationships

> Correlation :

```
plt.figure(figsize=(30,20))
sns.heatmap(df_train.corr(),annot=True,robust=False)
```



Observation:

- 1. We can see that there is a positive correlation between the almost all the features and the SalePrice.
- 2. Few of the features are showing strong relation but few are not.
- Assumption for the problem:
- So clearly it is a Regression problem.
- Hardware and Software Requirements and Tools Used

Software Used:

- Jupyter Notebook
- Ms-Paint

- MS-PowerPoint
- MS-Word

Hardware used:

- Laptop
- Good internet connectivity

Model/s Development and Evaluation

- Testing of Identified Approaches (Algorithms)
- Techniques:
- LinearRegression()
- DecisionTreeRegressor()
- KNeighborsRegressor()
- RandomForestRegressor()
- GradientBoostingRegressor()

4 knn=KNeighborsRegressor()
5 Random=RandomForestRegressor()
6 gbr=GradientBoostingRegressor()

Running the selected Models:

Techniques:

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```
# Split the train dataset:

X_train,X_test,Y_train,Y_test=train_test_split(x_scaled,Y,test_size=0.2,random_state=42)

# creating objects for given
Linear=LinearRegression()|
DecisionTree=DecisionTreeRegressor()
```

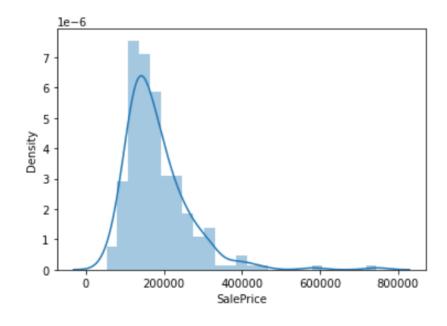
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# For fitting the model

alg=[Linear,DecisionTree,knn,Random,gbr]
acc_models={}
for model in alg:
    model.fit(X_train,Y_train)
    Y_pred=model.predict(X_test)
    acc_models[model]=round(r2_score(Y_test,Y_pred)*100,1)
    print("Model Name:",model)
    print('Accuracy ::',{round(r2_score(Y_test,Y_pred)*100,1)})
    print('Mean Absolute Error(MAE) is::',{mean_absolute_error(Y_test,Y_pred)})
    print('Mean Squared Error(MSE) ::',{mean_squared_error(Y_test,Y_pred)})
    print('Root Mean Squared Error is ::',{np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(Y_test,Y_pred))})
    print("-------")
```

```
1 acc_models
{LinearRegression(): 71.0,
DecisionTreeRegressor(): 56.7,
KNeighborsRegressor(): 62.1,
RandomForestRegressor(): 78.2,
GradientBoostingRegressor(): 81.0}
```

```
1 sns.distplot((Y_test))
```

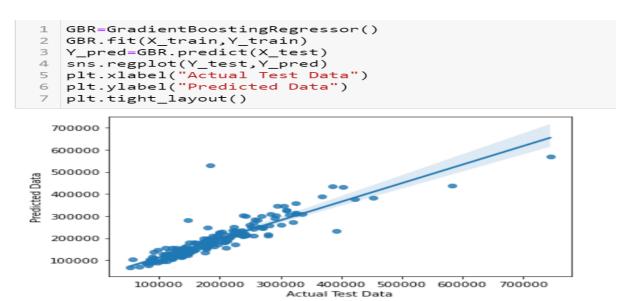
<AxesSubplot:xlabel='SalePrice', ylabel='Density'>



Observations:

Gradient Boosting showing best result

Graph After fitting the model:



Key Metrics for success in solving problem under consideration

Hyper Tuning the Gradient Boosting Algorithm:

0.916385624451561

```
1  df_test['SalePrice'] = best_model.predict(df_test)

1  df_test[['Id', 'SalePrice']].to_csv('House_Price_submission.csv', index=False)

1  submission = pd.read_csv(r'House_Price_submission.csv')
2  submission.shape

(292, 2)

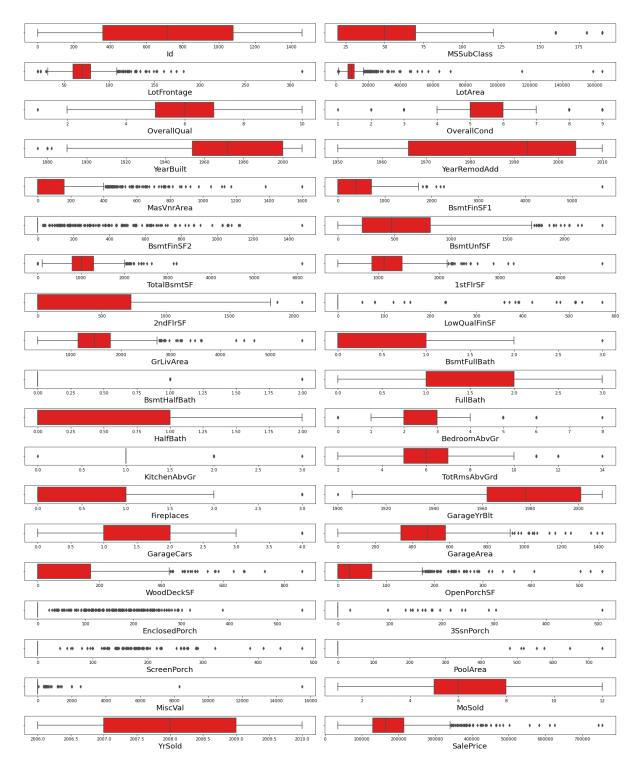
1  submission

1  1018  250764.159506
2  929  237982.485986
3  1148  188367.514023
4  1227  208346.650108
5  650  79911.192588
6  1453  130145.871060
7  152  284122.890173
8  427  239908.663531
9  776  155651.652826
```

Visualizations:

Data visualization is the graphical representation of information and data. By using visual elements like charts, graphs, and maps, data visualization tools provide an accessible way to see and understand trends, outliers, and patterns in data. In the world of Big Data, data visualization tools and technologies are essential to analyse massive amounts of information and make data-driven decisions.

Univariate Analysis of Numerical variables:



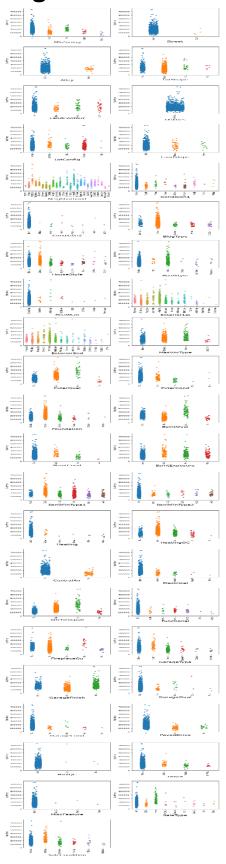
OBSERVATION:

1. Some features such as Id,

YearRemodAdd,BsmFullBath,FullBath,HalfBathFirePlace,MoSold,YrSold are not having outliers.

2. Rest of the features are more or less having outliers .

Bivariate plottings:



• Interpretation of the Results:

- 1. FV is highest in price followed by RL and RH.
- 2. Streets having Pave and Alley having Grvl is having high Price.
- 3. LotShape of IR2 is high in Price.
- 4. LandContour with HLS ,LotConfig with FR3,LandSlope woth Sev are having higher prices than the other subcategories.
- 5. Condition 1 with RRNn nad PosA have high price.
- 6. Condition 2 with PonA followd by PosN are having prices.
- 7. BldgType of Twnhse, HouseStyle of 2.5Unf, RoofStyle of Shed, RoofMatl of Wdshngl, Exterior1st of

stone and Imstucc are high prices whereas Exterior2nd with other and Imstucc have high price.

8. MasVnrType with stone, ExterQual with Ex,ExterCond withEx,Foundation with Pconc, BsmtQual with ex

BmstCond with Gd,BmstExposer with Gd,BsmtFinType1 with GQL,BsmtFinType2 with GQL andAQL are

high in Price.

9. Heating with GasA ,HeatingQc with Ex,CentralAir with Yes Electrical with SBrkr, KitchenQual with

Ex ,Funtional with Typ,FireplaceQu with Ex, GarageType with BuiltIn, GarageFinish with Fin has

high Price.

10. GarageQual with Ex,GarageCond with Gd,PavesDrive with Y,PoolQc with Ex,Fence with MnPrv nad

GdPrv are high in Price.

11. SaleType of con and new ,SaleCondition with Partial are having highest SalePrice.

CONCLUSION

So, our study showed that......

Gradient Boosting Regression displayed the best performance for this Dataset and can be used for deploying purposes.

- Learning Outcomes of the Study in respect of Data Science
- Our customers requirements are our highest priority so the project was built to satisfy their needs so the project works well and there is no customer churn
- We should maintain the transparency among customers and also the comparison can be
 made easy through this model. If customer finds the price of house at some given website
 higher than the price predicted by the model, so he can reject that house.
- So we have to predict the pricing as per customers requirement and needs.
- Limitations of this work and Scope for Future Work
- This model will then be used by the management to understand how exactly the prices vary with the variables.
- They can accordingly manipulate the strategy of the firm and concentrate on areas that will yield high returns.
- Further, the model will be a good way for the management to understand the pricing dynamics of a new market.
- But still customers are always comparing the prices hence we should keep on updating our project to meet their necessity.

Thank You