

ME-781 Course Project: Interim Report

Housing Price Prediction using Metropolitan Cities' Real Estate data



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Problem Objective and Introduction



- We are a Mumbai based startup aspiring to lead in providing reliable and cheap housing and real estate prices across different metropolitan cities of India.
- Our speedy, efficient and cross-platform app will help deliver the most appropriate housing price to the user based on their customized filters.
- In the post-pandemic era of risky brokers, distrustful real estate offices and economic uncertainty, we plan to enter the B2C market for boosting the residential housing sales in India.
- Our current objective is to provide housing price predictions in major metropolitan cities of India, but plan on expanding our reach to other cities in the near future.

Problem Definition

Customer Requirement: Quick, easy, hassle-free way to deal with purchasing real estate in metropolitan cities which helps in determining housing prices for potential buyers and sellers.

Market Survey: [99acres](#) (price estimator), [Land Value Calculator](#) (estimating price of the land), [MagicBricks PropWorth](#) (estimate the value of a property).

USP: Providing the user with a heat map to help them understand the prices and status of the property according to their needs and demands. It is easy to understand as well as user friendly to help citizens make the best decision with regards to property prices.

Protection of USP: Copywriting of entire code and novel solution developed along with patenting. Encryption of the code is another way to protect the USP

Barrier to Entry:

- Copyright and patent issues by other organizations and companies which lead to some roadblock
- Confidentiality clauses when trying to determine price points for various houses and properties

Operational Structure:

- Various criteria and demands uploaded by the user
- Prediction model uses different variables to get the best response
- From this model lets us know the price and status for different houses and properties in the selected vicinity with the demands mentioned

Technology Landscape Management

Patents:

- <https://patents.google.com/patent/WO2010128924A1/en>
- <https://patents.justia.com/patent/7509261>

Literature:

- <https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.04868>
- <https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.02547>
- <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1877050920316318>
- https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3565512
- <https://www.emerald.com/insight/content/doi/10.1108/IJHMA-11-2018-0095/full/html>
- <https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/abstract/document/7603227>

Open Libraries:

- Numpy, pandas, keras, tensorflow, scikit-learn, matplotlib, glob

Project Plan-GANNT Chart

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Project Plan-RASIC Chart

- **Responsible:** The person who is ultimately responsible for delivering the project and/or task successfully.
- **Accountable:** The person who has ultimate accountability and approval authority; they review and assure quality and are the person to whom “R” is accountable.
- **Supporting:** The team or person(s) supporting the “real” work with resources, time or other material benefit. They are committed to its completion.
- **Informed:** Those who provide input and must be informed of results or actions taken but are not involved in final decision-making .
- **Consulted:** Those who provide valuable input into product design or establish quality review criteria. Their buy-in is important for successful implementation.

<https://tinyurl.com/RASICgroup17>

		Project Members			
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Project Deliverable (or Activity)	Role				
1.1	Customer (end-user) requirement	A	I	R	I
1.2	Market survey (for existng solns)	A	I	R	I
1.3	Key Differentiator	A	C	R	I
1.4	Unique Selling Point (USP)	I	I	R	A
1.5	Protection of USP	I	I	R	A
1.6	Barrier to Market Entry	I	I	R	A
1.7	Business Case (setup cost and capital)	C	A	R	I
2.1	Patents	R	I	A	I
2.2	Published literature	R	I	A	I
2.3	Open libraries	R	I	A	I
2.4	Proprietary libraries	R	I	I	I
3.1	GANNT chart	I	R	A	C
3.2	RASIC chart	C	R	A	I
4.1	High level activity object diagrams	A	I	I	R
4.2	Choice of language, OS, Data set	A	I	C	R
4.3	ML model selection	C	R	I	A
5.1	Coding convention practices	I	C	A	R
5.2	Basic user interface	I	A	I	R
5.3	Output visualization	I	R	I	A
6.1	Error handling	I	R	I	A
6.2	Auto document generation	I	A	I	R
6.3	Code testing	I	R	A	I
7.1	Brochure development	A	I	R	I
7.2	Marketing presentation	I	I	R	A
7.3	Marketing audio-video of 1min	I	A	I	R
8.1	Demonstration presentation	R	A	C	I
8.2	User manual	I	R	I	A

Conceptual Design

ML Model Selection:

- We have modelled “Predicting Housing Prices” as a regression problem as it allows us to give more insights to the relation between the attributes and the house price in a better way.
- After applying the linear regression model and interpreting the data, we plan to use regularization models like Ridge and Lasso Regression, and other ML models like polynomial regression and KNN algorithms, to predict the output. We will compare and analyse the models based on their accuracy, and choose the best model to predict prices in our start-up project.

ML Dataset Selection:

- <https://www.kaggle.com/anmolkumar/house-price-prediction-challenge>
- <https://www.kaggle.com/ruchi798/housing-prices-in-metropolitan-areas-of-india>
- The data attributes considered to predict the price will include features of both the house/property as well as the features of the neighbourhood. Additional features like crime rates, water and electricity issues, and availability of schools, grocery marts and hospitals in the vicinity will also be added.
- Our project will work on data collected for the metropolitan cities - Bangalore, Chennai, Delhi, Hyderabad, Kolkata and Mumbai.

Choice of Language: Python

Operating System: Windows 10

Conceptual Design

High Level Activity Object Diagram:

