Real Estate through DATA SCIENCE Jahnavi Kalpathy **DSIR 1031** 2022-12-09

Problem Statement

Creating a monetized calculator for real-estate price predictions:

- Premium short-term subscription service
 - For potential buyers/sellers to better anticipate the market
- Buyers: tweak parameters to find dream house in budget!
- Sellers: input data to calculate best evaluation of your home!

Questions of Interest:

- Minimize RMSE
- Greatest impact features
- How can a seller improve their value?

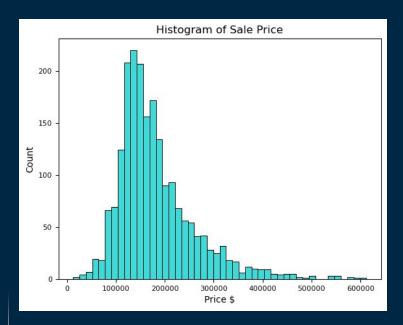


Ames, Iowa



- Agricultural and research center of lowa
- Population: 66,000
- Real Estate Market: over 3,000 tracked sales from 2006-2010
- Ames Assessor's Office: tracks **81** features, including **SalePrice**

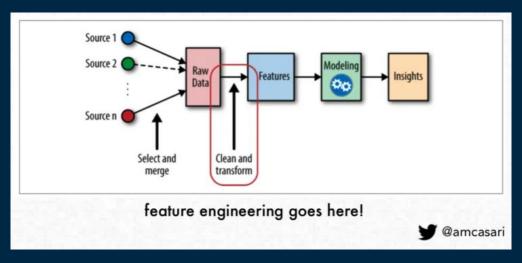
EDA



- Normality in Histograms
- Feature vs Price
- Null values?



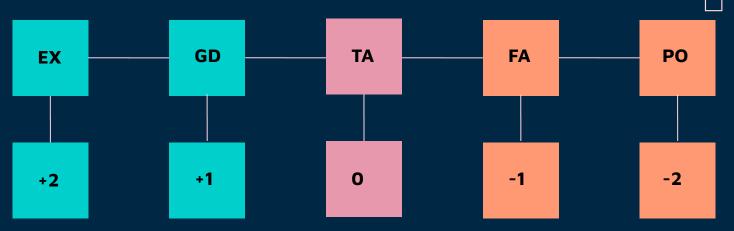
Feature Engineering



Feature Engineering from **Domino Labs**

- Nulls
 - Threshold: 25%
 - Imputation: 0/'None'
- Combining Features
 - Outdoor Finished Space'
- Dropping Redundant Features
 - High pairwise correlation
 - Contributed to new feature

Encoding Categorical Data



Feature (Ordinal): quality or condition

Ex Excellent Gd Good

TA Average/Typical

Fa Fair Po Poor

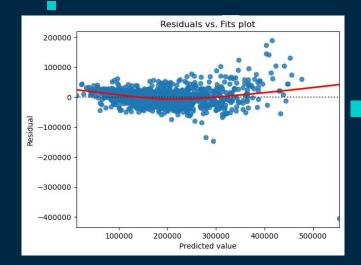
- If 'None' → becomes 0
- If Nominal → dummies

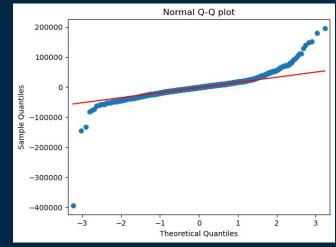
Modeling & Assumptions

model	cross_val R^2	train R^2	val ${\it R}^2$	train RMSE	val RMSE
baseline	NaN	NaN	-0.006	80726.0	73049.0
LinReg	-6.95e+22	0.927	0.756	21831.0	35992.0
Ridge	0.864	0.900	0.811	25533.0	31643.0
Lasso	0.854	0.895	0.822	26212.0	30691.0
ElasticNet	0.865	0.901	0.811	25361.0	31703.0

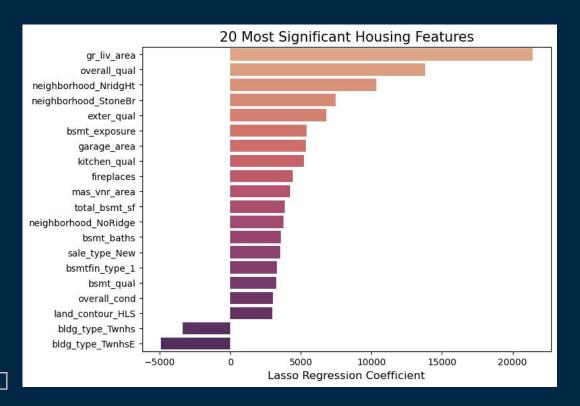
Comparing Models

- All are overfitting
- Lasso: balance good score/high variance
- Kaggle: 29468.95
- Assumptions of SLR are met
- Multicollinearity: high VIF's still





Conclusions & Recommendations



Sellers

Remodel spaces that do not contribute to 'living area'

- Improve quality of finish (stucco)
- Buyers
 - Townhomes are more bang for your buck
- Zillow
 - Improve model for \$\$





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