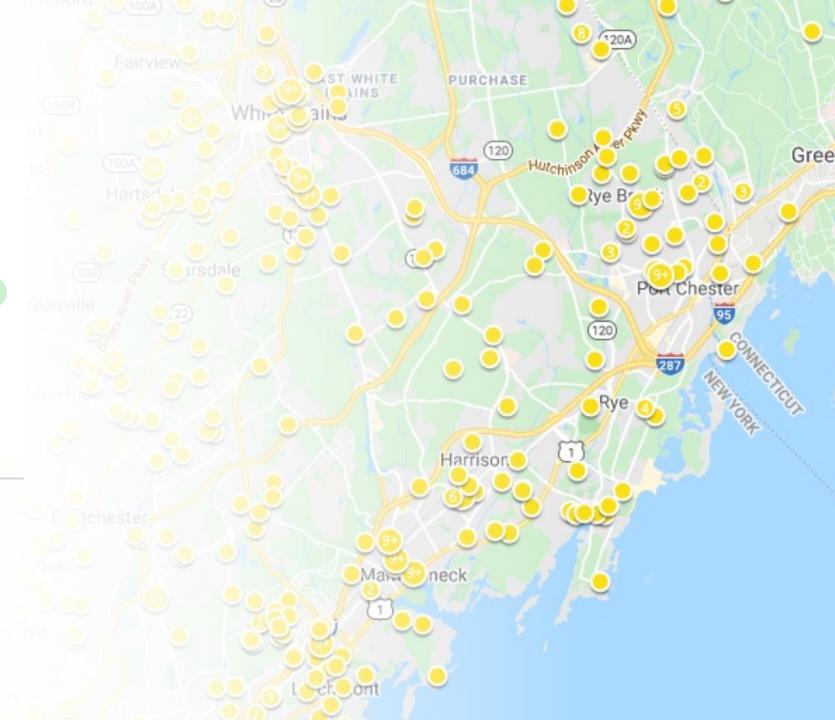
Building an Application to Predict Home Valuations

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Why

 For most families, home equity is the largest component of household wealth

• US total real estate market is more than \$35 Trillion dollars

• Post-pandemic desire for more space (demand for suburban versus urban homes)

Building from Previous Work

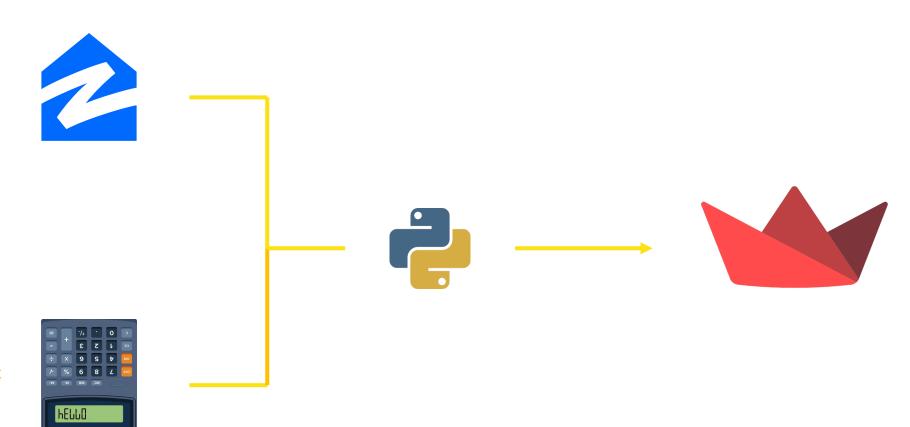
 Previous Zillow webscrapping to answer a question specific to northern NYC suburbs

 Convert this question into a flexible tool that could run a basic analysis for a house in any area

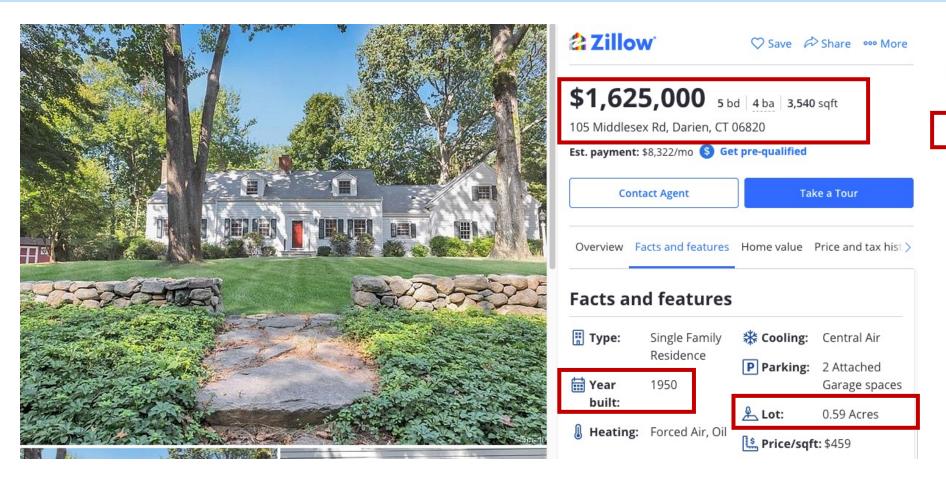
Data Pipeline

- Square Footage
- Beds
- Baths
- Year Built
- Lot Size
- Geography
- Zestimate
- Tax Assessment
- Days on Zillow

 State income tax brackets and rates



Zillow Page



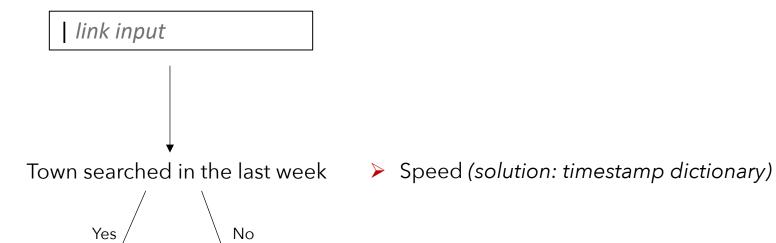
Public tax history

Year	Property Taxes	Tax Assessment
2020	\$14,182(-0.9%)	\$868,490

Application Flow

Other Key problems

- Data acquisition and storage
- Consistency in regression with variable inputs



Pull from DB

 Grab all saved home sales recently scraped for this town from our DB

Scrape Process

- Generate list of unique sale links from a town
- Check this new link list against saved sales; drop data already stored
- Scrape remaining new data, recombine with stored data

Application Output

- Beds, baths, lot size, sqft (with percentile ranks)
- Listed price
- Predicted price from OLS
- Spread (between predicted and listed price)
- Tax assessment
- Number of homes in comparison set
- Most similar homes (in features, not price)
- R2 and regression/density plot of OLS
- State income tax brackets

