

Machine Learning: Real Estate Prediction Model

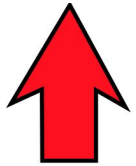
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Overview

The median sale price of a home in central Phoenix:

\$425,000



27.6%

since May 5, 2021

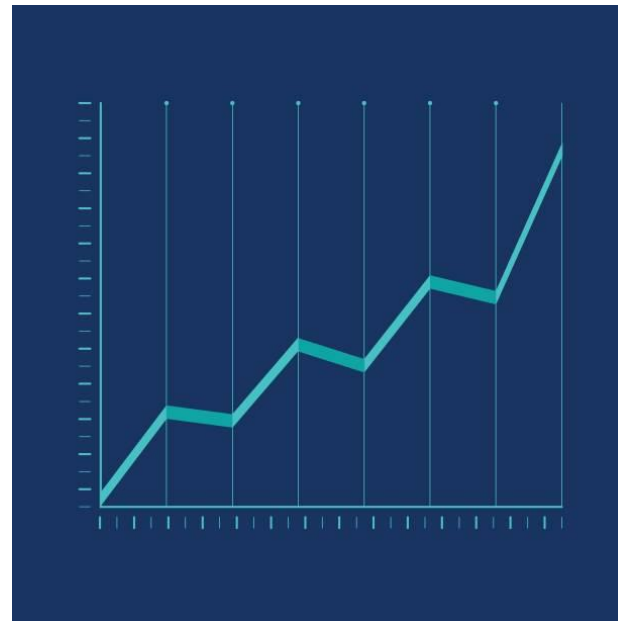


Overview

There are, of course, numerous features that factor into the listing price for any realty listing. On one end of the spectrum, **large data-driven companies like Zillow are able to utilize their algorithms to price homes very accurately.** According to Zillow's website,² their nationwide median error rate for an on-market home "Zestimate" is 1.9%. On the other end of the spectrum, **independent realtors utilize a mix of experiential intuition and "comps"** - hyper local comparable house listings. According to Brian Houle, a local Phoenix Realtor, finding six to ten homes within a two-mile radius with a similar square footage and similar housing condition / quality is a good starting place for finding accurate pricing. What independent Realtors have internalized as intuition, data-driven Realtors have made explicit in their algorithms, the features of which are typically not publicly available.

Overview

The primary purpose of this analysis is to create a machine learning model that can predict housing prices for single-family detached homes in the central Phoenix area utilizing features that are publicly available.



Data Sourcing: FlexMLS Realty Portal

- Search conducted on May 6 and 7, 2022
 - Central Phoenix
 - Asking price of \$1,300,000 or less
- More than 2,300 houses for sale or recently sold

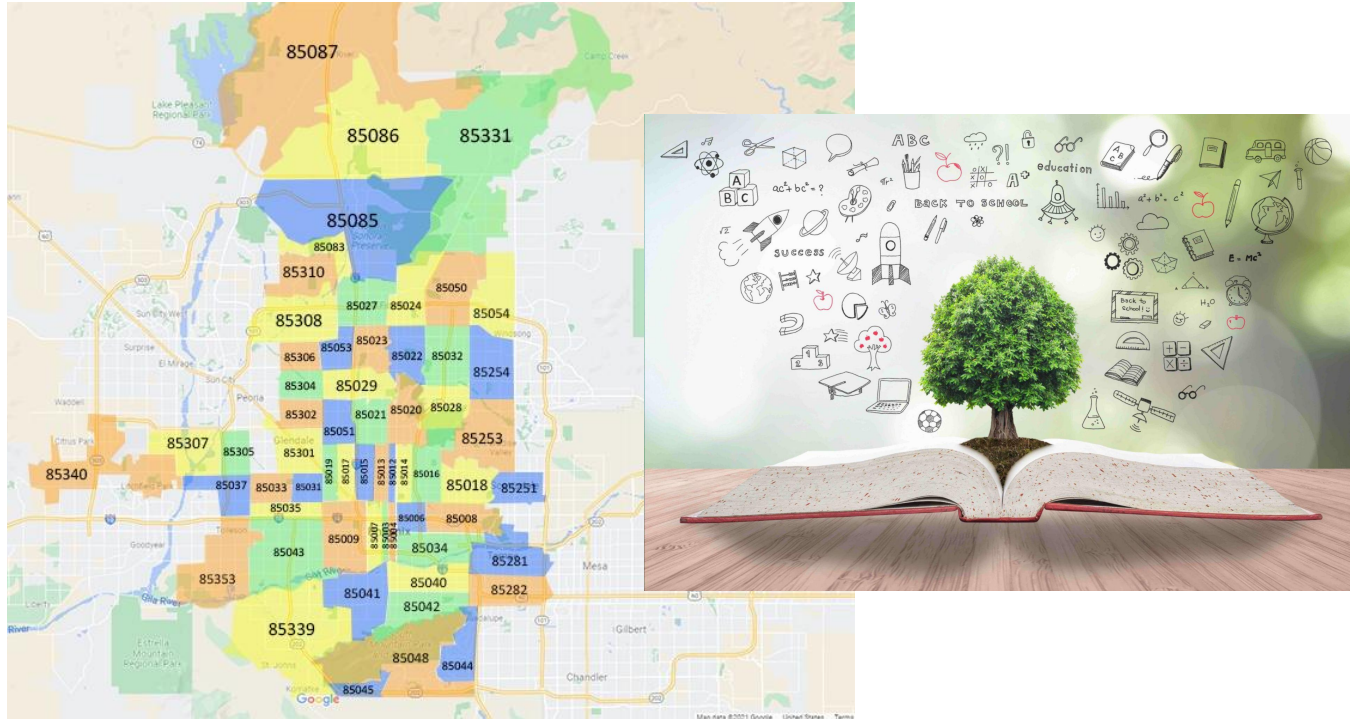


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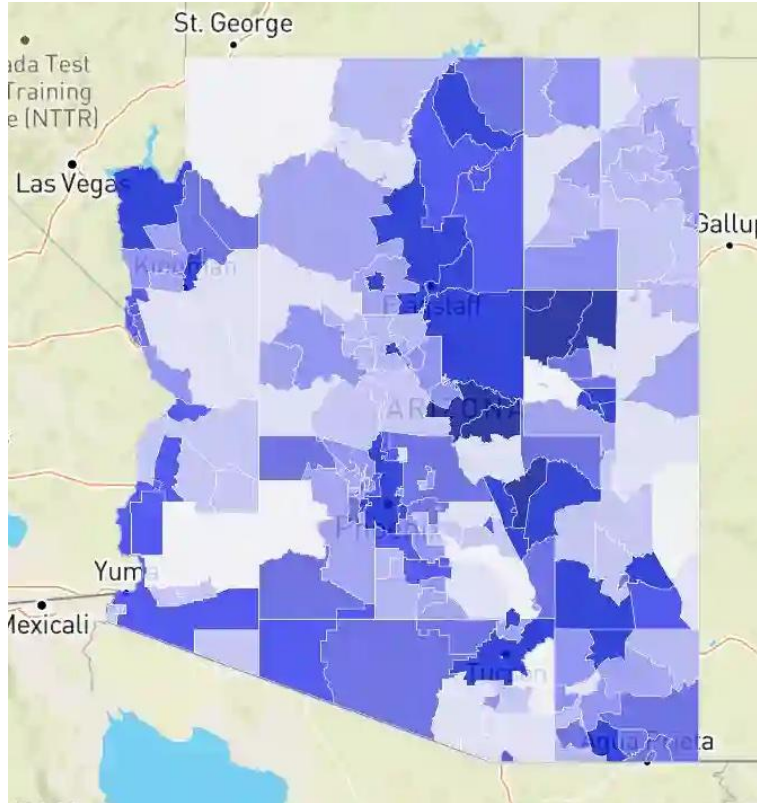
The features of each data point include:

- Price (Asking Price / Sale Price)
- Zip
- Year built
- Bedrooms
- Bathrooms
- Approximate Square Footage

Data Sourcing: Arizona Department of Education



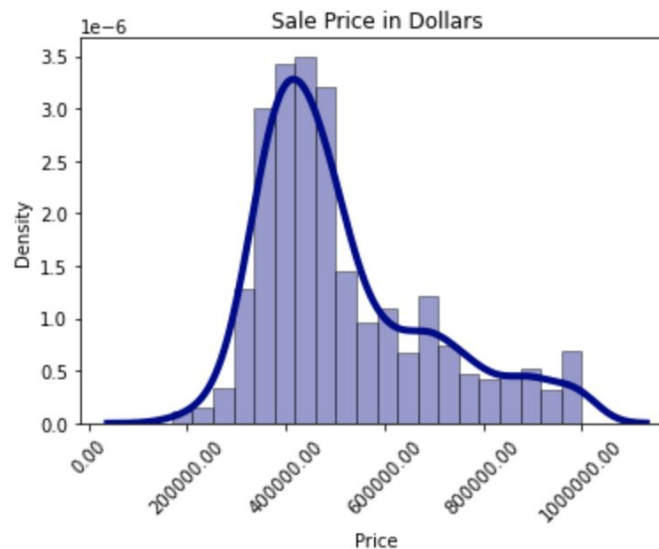
Data Sourcing: Phoenix.gov Crime



Data Exploration: Descriptive Statistics

A density plot for price:

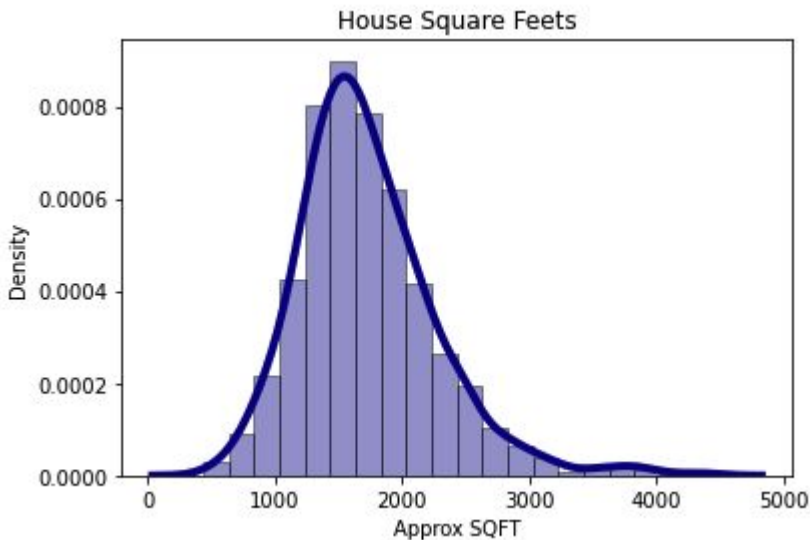
Min: 169000.000
Q1: 390000.000
Median: 462320.000
Q3: 600000.000
Max: 1000000.000
Mean: 515795.279
Mode: 450000.000



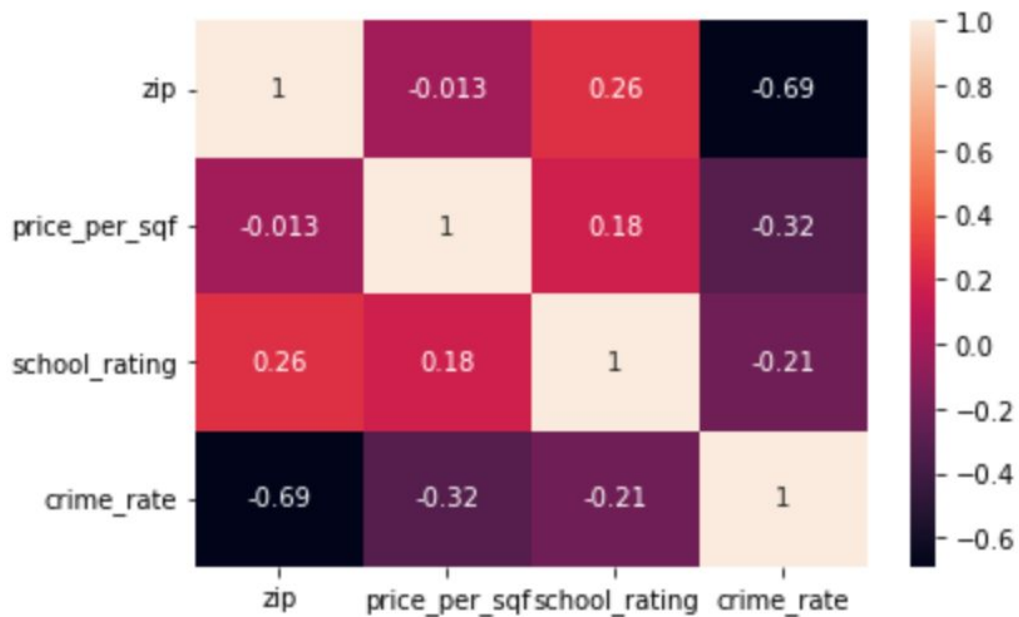
Data Exploration: Descriptive Statistics

A density plot for square footage:

Min: 442.000
Q1: 1372.000
Median: 1651.000
Q3: 2002.000
Max: 4423.000
Mean: 1726.404
Mode: 1260.000



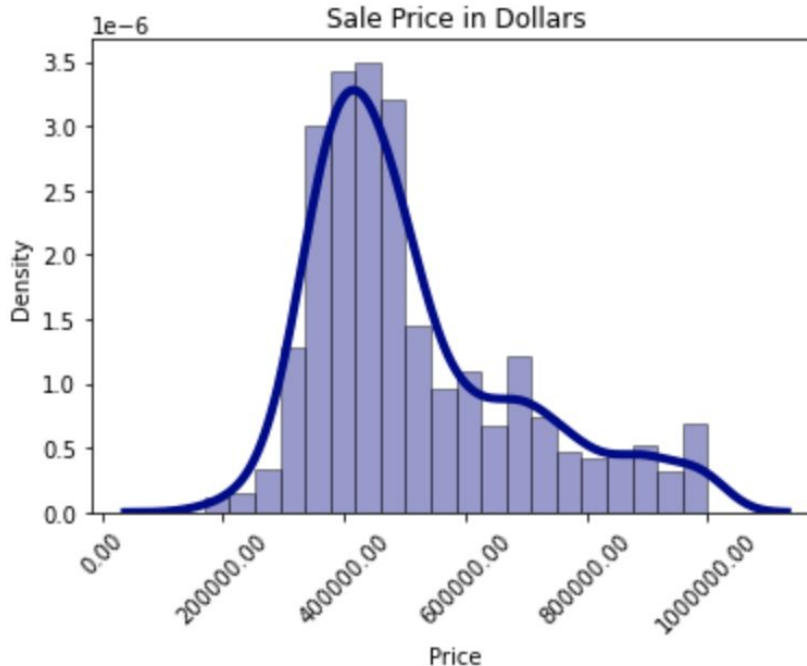
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A density plot for bedrooms:

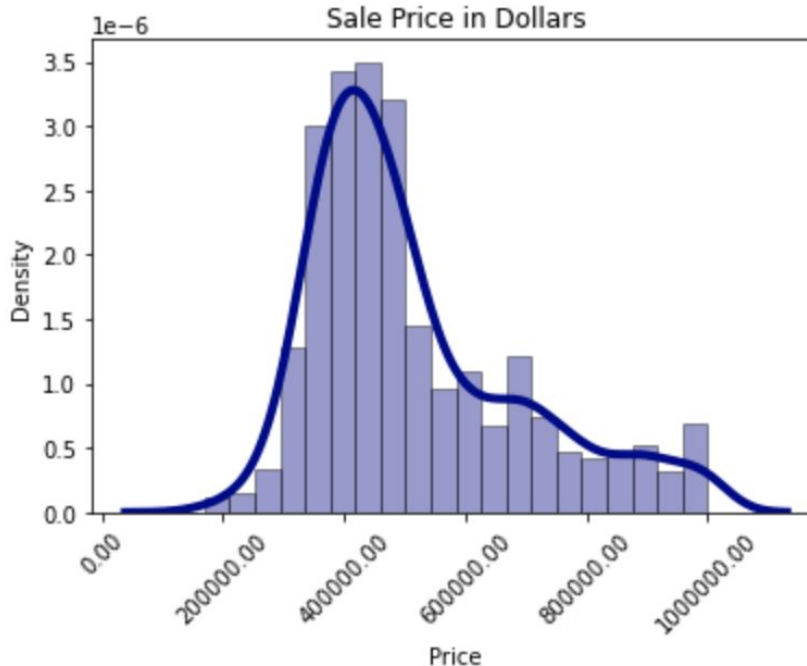
Min: 0.000
Q1: 3.000
Median: 3.000
Q3: 4.000
Max: 12.000
Mean: 3.381
Mode: 3.000



Data Exploration: Descriptive Statistics

A density plot for bathrooms:

Min: 0.000
Q1: 2.000
Median: 2.000
Q3: 2.000
Max: 6.000
Mean: 2.110
Mode: 2.000



Data Exploration: Exploring Models

Multiple linear regression using R:

```
60 ## statistical tests
61 ggplot(prop_filter, aes(x=Price)) + geom_density() # visualize distribution using density plot
62 shapiro.test(prop_filter$Price) # pvalue much less than 0.05, so NOT normal distribution
63 # note: strong right skew
64
65 # anova - considering all features are actually categorical even though they're numbers (sqft is exception)
66 summary(aov(Price ~ zip, data=prop_filter))
67 summary(aov(Price ~ zip + sqft, data = prop_filter))
68 summary(aov(Price ~ zip + sqft + year_built + Bedrooms + Bathrooms, data = prop_filter))
69
70 # multiple linear regression
71 # using only numerical values - that is, not year_built or zip
72 summary(lm(Price ~ sqft + Bedrooms + Bathrooms, data = prop_filter))
73 summary(lm(Price ~ sqft + Bedrooms + Bathrooms + age, data = prop_filter))
74 summary(lm(Price ~ sqft + Bedrooms + Bathrooms + age + ppsf, data = prop_filter)) # is ppsf redundant?
75
76 summary(lm(Price ~ sqft + Bedrooms + Bathrooms + age + zip, data = prop_filter))
```

Data Exploration: Exploring Models

Neural Network using Python's TensorFlow in a Jupyter Notebook

```
In [36]: # Create a method that creates a new Sequential model with hyperparameter options
def create_model(hp):
    nn_model = tf.keras.models.Sequential()

    # Allow kerastuner to decide which activation function to use in hidden layers
    activation = hp.Choice('activation', ['relu', 'tanh'])

    # Allow kerastuner to decide number of neurons in first layer
    nn_model.add(tf.keras.layers.Dense(units=hp.Int('first_units',
        min_value=1,
        max_value=30,
        step=5), activation=activation, input_dim=len(X_train[0])))

    # Allow kerastuner to decide number of hidden layers and neurons in hidden layers
    for i in range(hp.Int('num_layers', 1, 5)):
        nn_model.add(tf.keras.layers.Dense(units=hp.Int('units_' + str(i),
            min_value=1,
            max_value=30,
            step=5),
            activation=activation))

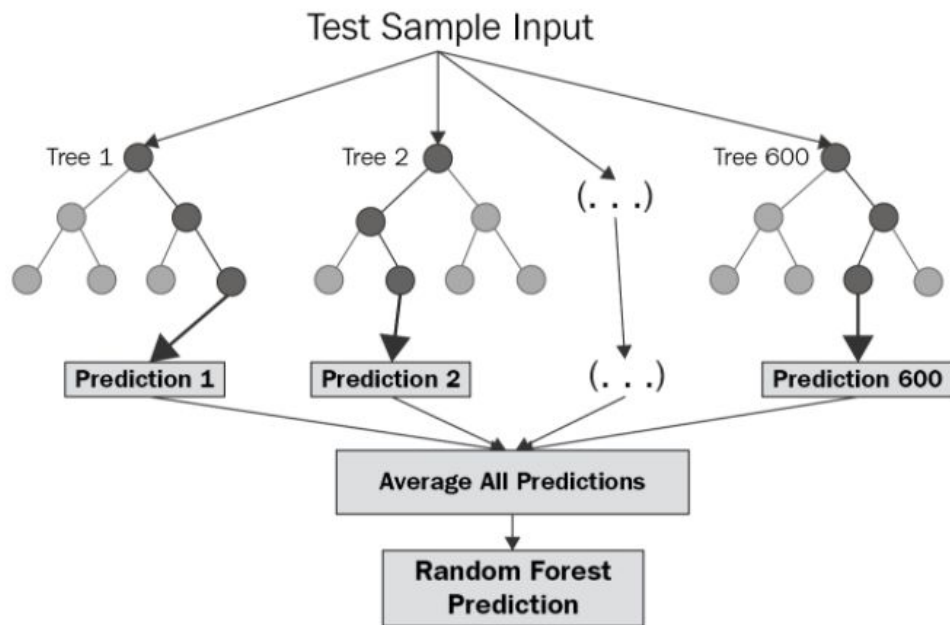
    nn_model.add(tf.keras.layers.Dense(units=1, activation="relu"))

    # Compile the model
    nn_model.compile(loss="binary_crossentropy", optimizer='adam', metrics=["accuracy"])

    return nn_model
```

Data Exploration: Exploring Models

Given the dataset, which contains both numerical and categorical data, and the purpose of the project, which seeks to predict a house's price given various features, we landed on a Random Forest Regressor Model as most appropriate for this project.

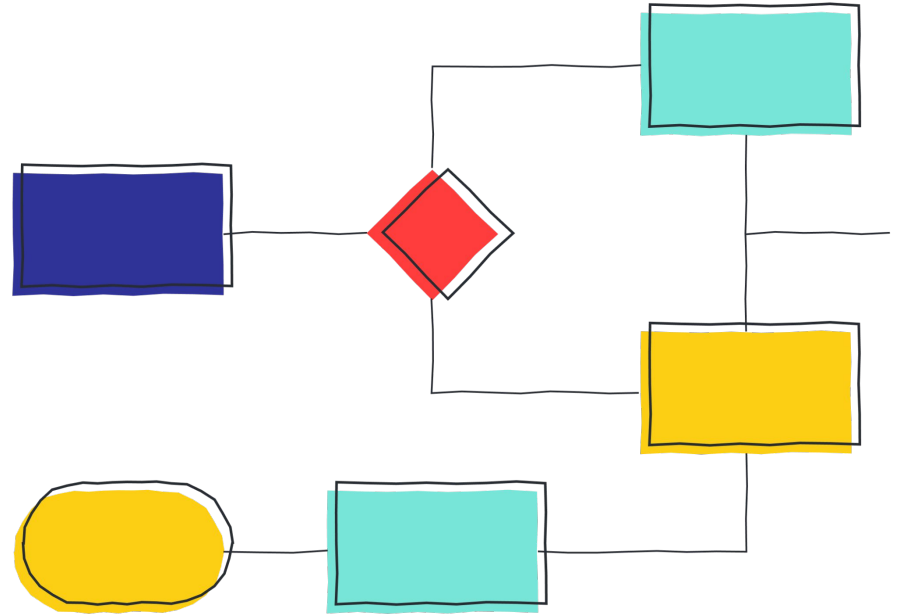


Tools Used



Workflow

1. Import Dependencies
2. Import Data
3. Data Cleaning
4. Finding Best Parameters
5. Database - SQLite
6. Random Forest Model Creation
7. Export necessary information for storyboard / dashboard

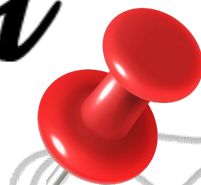


Random Forest Model

Random Forest Model



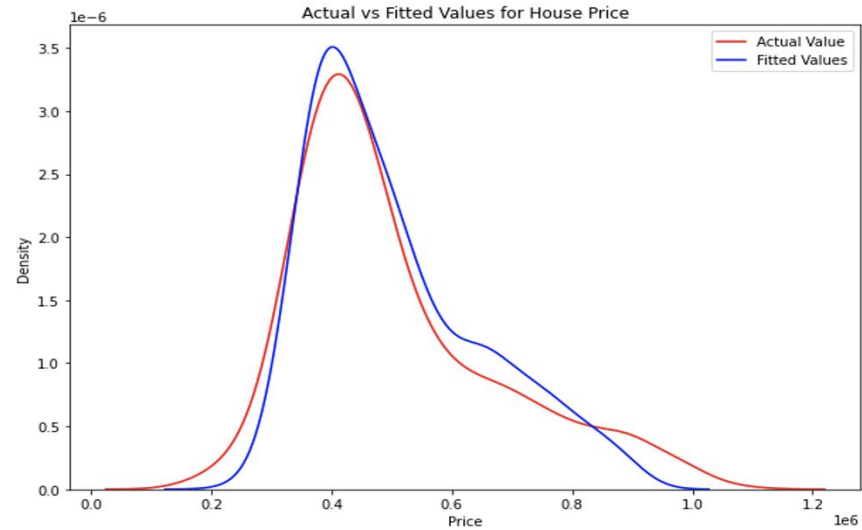
Random Forest



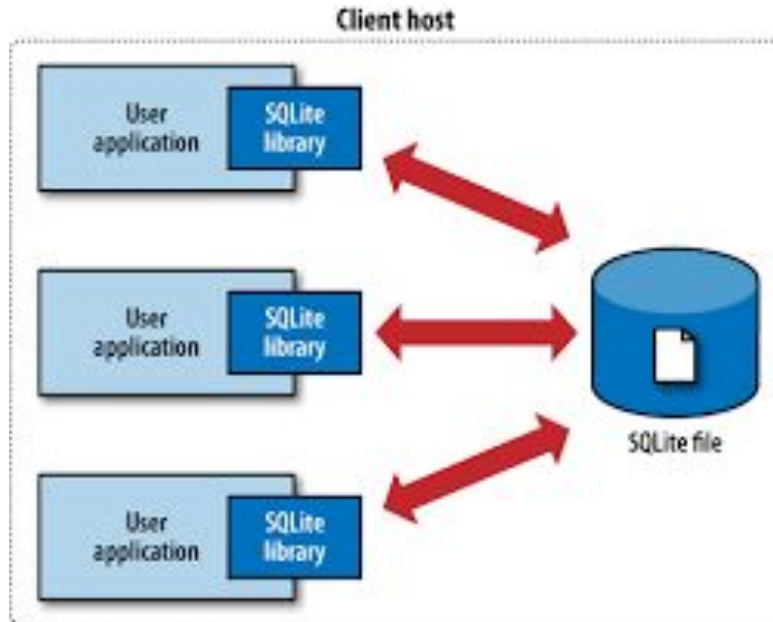
Simplicity

Accuracy

Random Forest Model

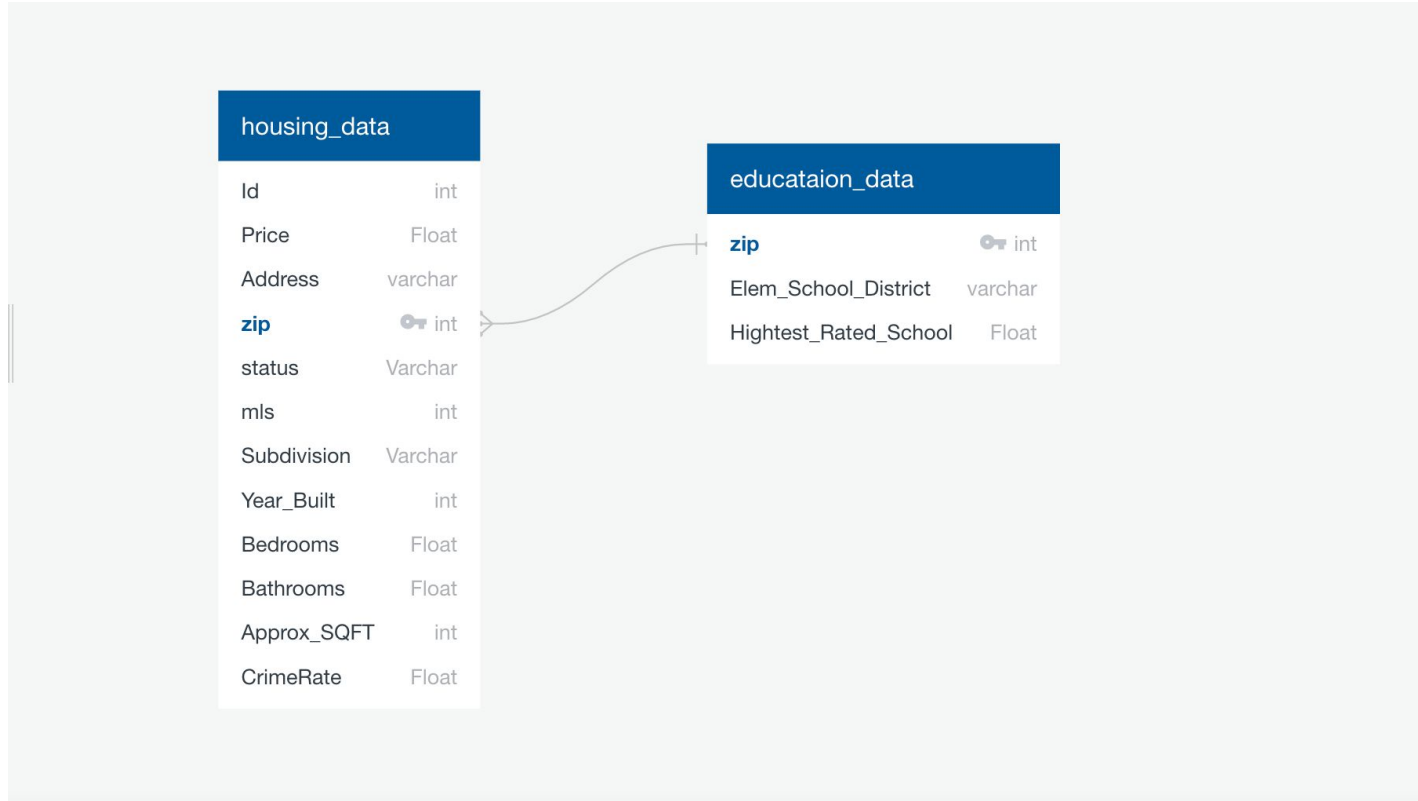


SQLite



For this project, SQLite will serve to hold our final combined dataset in order to provide the data for visualizations on the dashboard in conjunction with the primary purpose - a predicted home price.

Entity Relationship Diagram



Dashboard

The image shows a web browser window displaying a dashboard for property valuation. The browser's address bar shows the URL `127.0.0.1:5000`. The dashboard features a header image of a lawn and path. Below the header, there are five input fields for property details: Address (containing '1302'), Bedrooms, Bathrooms, Year Built, and Zip Code (containing '85017'). A dark blue 'SUBMIT' button is positioned below these fields. To the right of the input fields, a light gray box contains the text 'Your Estimated price:'. At the bottom of the page, a light blue footer bar displays 'Copyright © 2022'. A diagram on the left side of the dashboard, consisting of a black-bordered box labeled 'Input boxes' and five red arrows, points to each of the five input fields to identify them.

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1302

Bedrooms

Bathrooms

Year Built

85017


SUBMIT

Your Estimated price:

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Dashboard

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Real Estate Predictions

Square Feet

Bedrooms

Bathrooms

Year Built

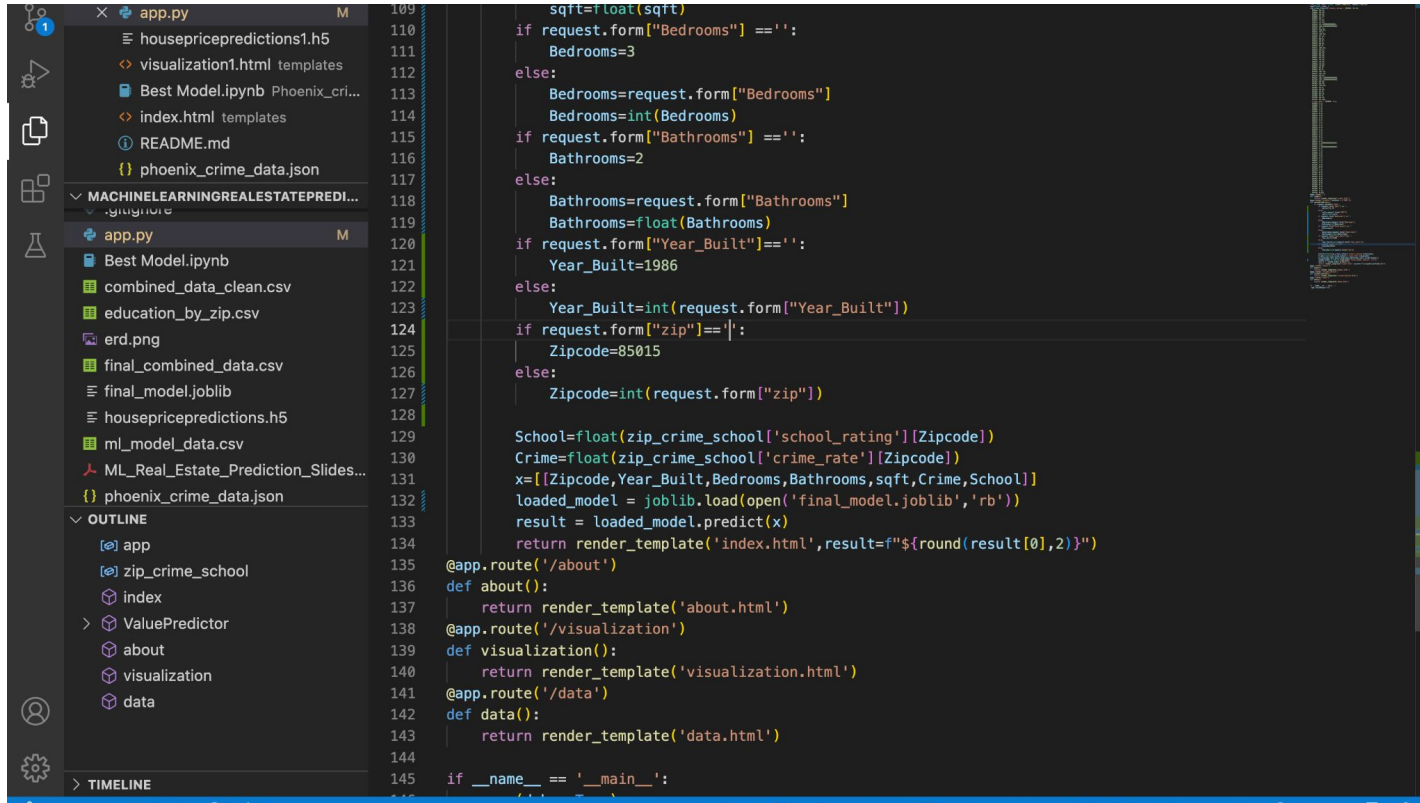
Zipcode

SUBMIT

Your Estimated price: \$390113.66

Predicted price output

Dashboard



```
109     sqft=float(sqft)
110     if request.form["Bedrooms"] == '':
111         Bedrooms=3
112     else:
113         Bedrooms=request.form["Bedrooms"]
114         Bedrooms=int(Bedrooms)
115     if request.form["Bathrooms"] == '':
116         Bathrooms=2
117     else:
118         Bathrooms=request.form["Bathrooms"]
119         Bathrooms=float(Bathrooms)
120     if request.form["Year_Built"] == '':
121         Year_Built=1986
122     else:
123         Year_Built=int(request.form["Year_Built"])
124     if request.form["zip"] == '':
125         Zipcode=85015
126     else:
127         Zipcode=int(request.form["zip"])
128
129     School=float(zip_crime_school['school_rating'][Zipcode])
130     Crime=float(zip_crime_school['crime_rate'][Zipcode])
131     x=[Zipcode,Year_Built,Bedrooms,Bathrooms,sqft,Crime,School]
132     loaded_model = joblib.load(open('final_model.joblib','rb'))
133     result = loaded_model.predict(x)
134     return render_template('index.html',result=f"${round(result[0],2)}")
135
136 @app.route('/about')
137 def about():
138     return render_template('about.html')
139
140 @app.route('/visualization')
141 def visualization():
142     return render_template('visualization.html')
143
144 @app.route('/data')
145 def data():
146     return render_template('data.html')
147
148 if __name__ == '__main__':
149     app.run()
```