
Modeling the price of a diamond

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Given the following attributes of a diamond, can we predict its price?

- price price in US dollars (\$326--\$18,823)
- carat weight of the diamond (0.2--5.01)
- cut quality of the cut (Fair, Good, Very Good, Premium, Ideal)
- color diamond colour, from J (worst) to D (best)
- clarity a measurement of how clear the diamond is (I1 (worst), SI2, SI1, VS2, VS1, VVS2, VVS1, IF (best))
- x length in mm (0--10.74)
- y width in mm (0--58.9)
- z depth in mm (0--31.8)
- depth total depth percentage = $z / \text{mean}(x, y) = 2 * z / (x + y)$ (43--79)
- table width of top of diamond relative to widest point (43--95)

The results:



Good (simple linear regression on all features)

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Testing Root Mean Squared Error: 1454.9427398770472
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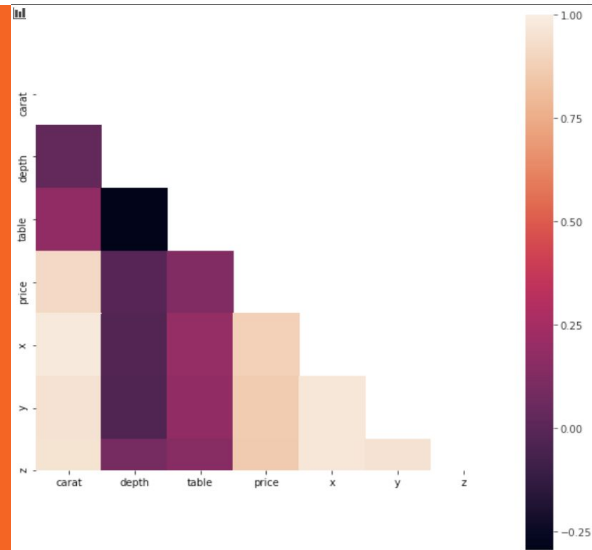
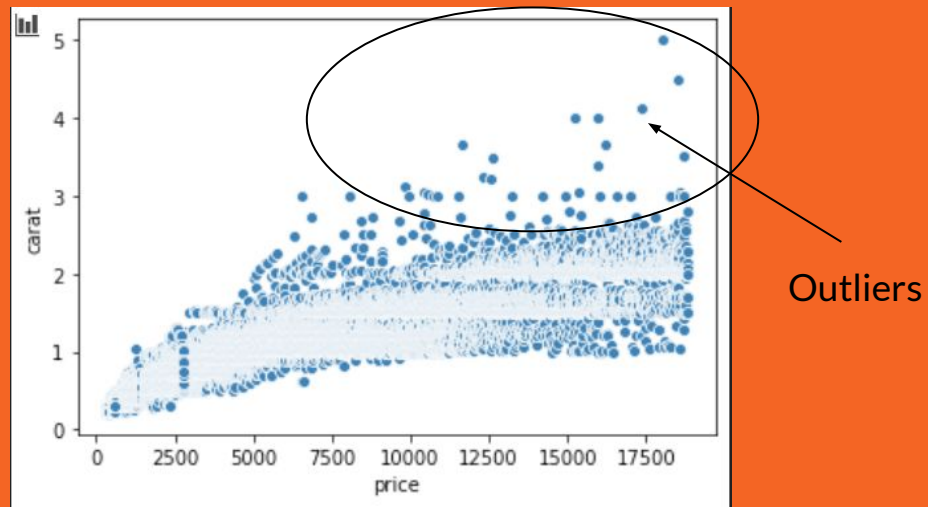
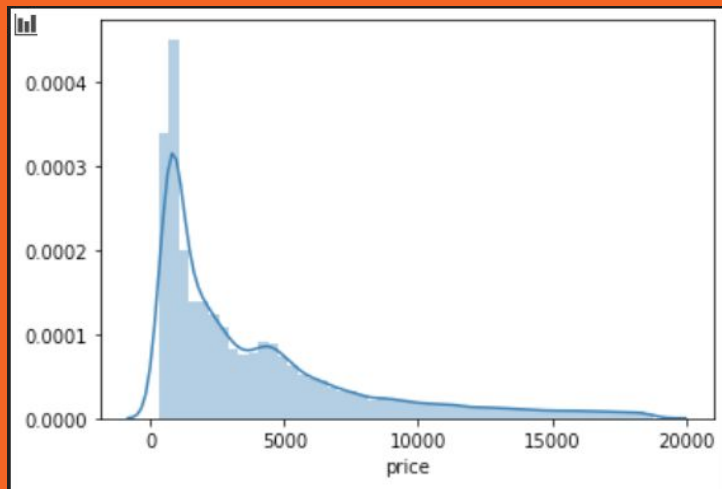
Better (after generating polynomial features)

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Best (after using k best feature selection method and generating dummy variables for categorical data [color, clarity, cut])

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Testing Root Mean Squared Error: 1143.0533608583735
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Looking at the data...



SelectKBest using different scoring functions

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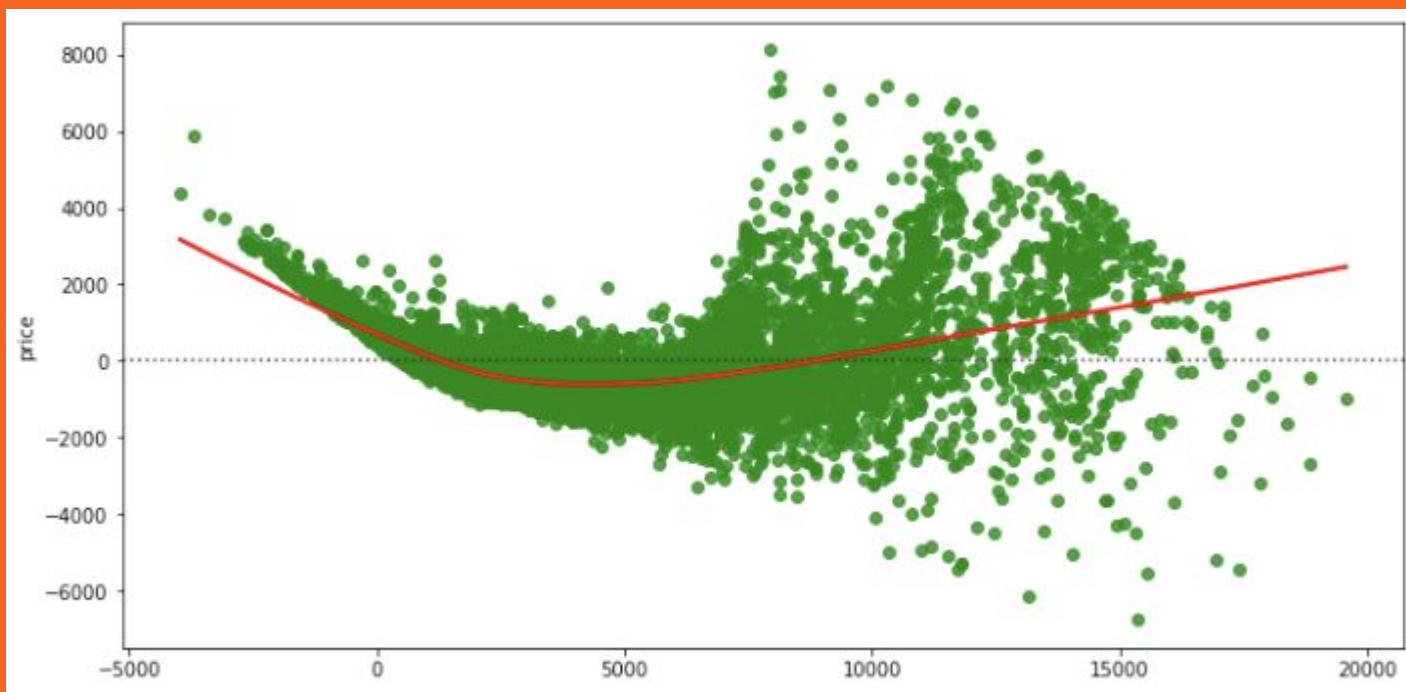
Specs	Score
0 carat	313062.636366
11 clarity SI2	876.163036
2 table	872.482672
17 color E	550.912411
5 cut Ideal	502.723390
21 color I	495.598172
6 cut Premium	495.440214
14 clarity VVS1	490.035554
22 color J	342.324716
16 color D	281.369726
20 color H	188.995238
15 clarity VVS2	144.650401
9 clarity IF	131.304090
18 color F	28.805673
3 cut_Fair	13.164617

Training Root Mean Squared Error: 1243.5083659785682
Testing Root Mean Squared Error: 1244.4503857632928

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Specs	Score
22 color J	18873.657559
11 clarity SI2	18140.426051
9 clarity IF	17589.854955
21 color I	16476.612168
16 color D	16452.629923
15 clarity VVS2	16263.805632
13 clarity VS2	15662.721065
20 color H	15536.255470
10 clarity SI1	15336.163443
14 clarity VVS1	15277.354430
12 clarity VS1	14900.451935
18 color F	14825.423804
17 color E	14600.245627
19 color G	14294.674645
0 carat	14239.086184

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Thanks!