# Houses for the mafia

EDA project - neue fische

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#### The stakeholder

- Amy Williams is an italian mafiosi
- works in King County (Washington, USA)
- sells central houses
  - o is interested only the top 10% of the houses
- needs average houses in the outskirts
  - o to hide from the FBI from time to time



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#### The data set

- information on houses in King County (Washington, USA)
- includes houses with sales dates from 2014 and 2015
- contains information such as
  - location
  - o prices
  - number of rooms
  - square footages
  - grade and condition rating of King County



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#### Quality of the data

- the data quality was ok for most of the information
- missing entries could be filled in by understanding the data
- such information were
  - viewings by buyers
  - whether the house has a view on the water
  - the year of the last renovation
- a few outliers could also be found



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### The challenge

What is a central, what an outskirt house?

What makes up the top 10% of houses?



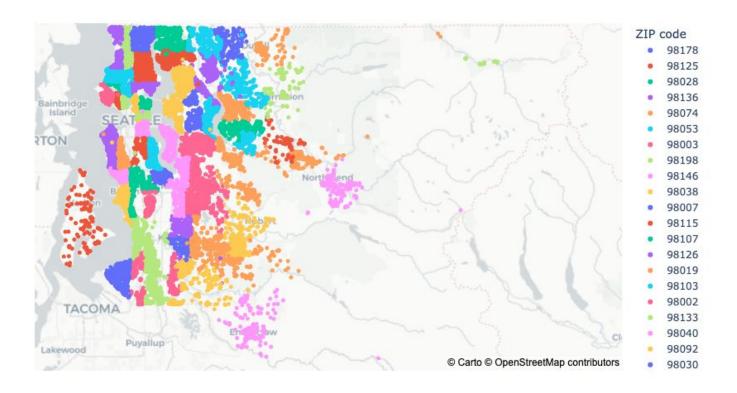
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- Does the ZIP code define an outskirt or central house?
  - Hypothesis: Outskirt and central houses can be distinguished by their ZIP code

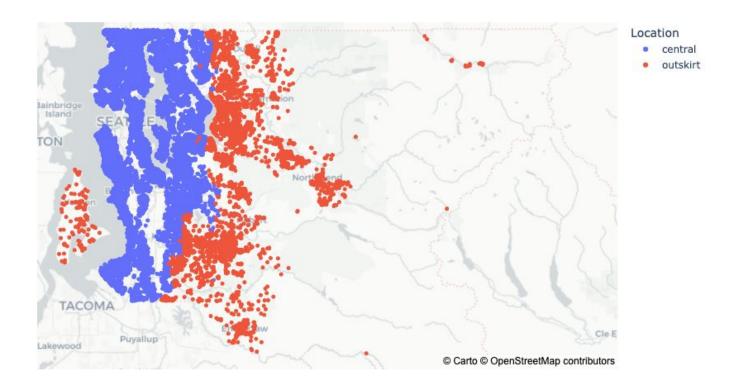


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#### Does the zip code define a central or outskirt house?



#### Central and outskirt houses



- Does the ZIP code define an outskirt or central house?
  - Answer: Yes, they can be distinguished by ZIP code



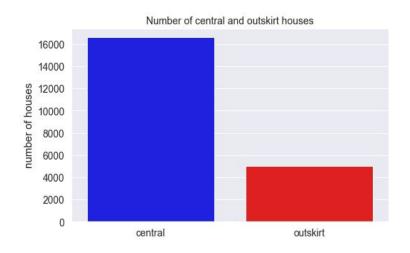
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- Is the number of houses in the central area higher than in the outskirt area?
  - Hypothesis: There are more houses in the central area



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- Is the number of houses in the central area higher than in the outskirt area?
  - Answer: Yes, there are more houses in the central area



### What makes up the top 10% of houses?

- Do the grading, condition rating and living space impact the prices?
  - Hypothesis: A better grade, condition rating and larger living space increase the price



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#### Impact of grade and condition on the price



correlation coefficient between price and grade: 0.66



correlation coefficient between price and condition rating: 0.018

#### Impact of living space on the price



correlation coefficient between price and living space is:

- 0.717 for central houses
- 0.782 for outskirt houses

#### What makes up the top 10% of homes?

 Do the grading, condition rating and living space impact the prices?

#### Answer:

- Yes, a higher grade and larger living space correlate with the price of a house
- No, condition is only a minor factor



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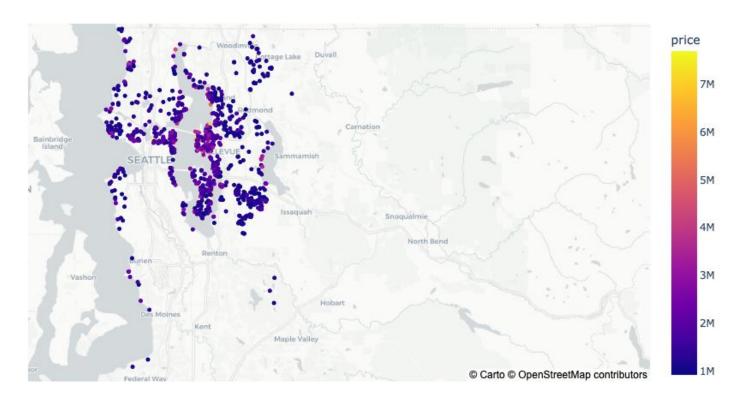
#### What makes up the top 10% of houses?

- Three recommendations to find central houses that are in the top 10%
  - house prices higher than 920000\$
  - grades of 9 or higher
  - a minimum of 3140 sqft living space



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## These are the top 10% of homes

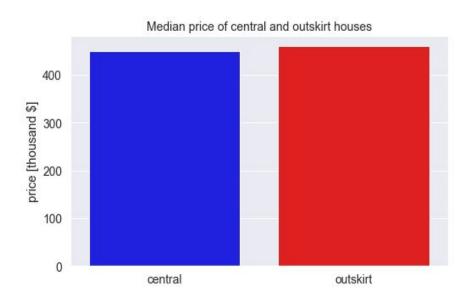


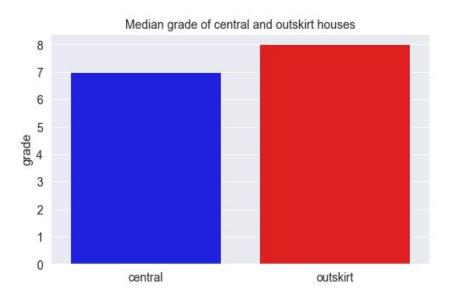
- Does the average price differ between outskirt and city houses?
  - Hypothesis: Houses in central areas are in average pricier
- Is the average grade lower in the outskirts?
  - Hypothesis: Houses in the outskirt areas have overall lower grades
- Do outskirt houses have more lot than central houses?
  - Hypothesis: Houses in the outskirt areas have more lot



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#### Price and grade between central and outskirt



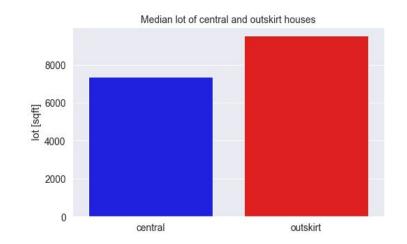


- Does the average price differ between outskirt and central houses?
  - Answer: No, house in outskirt and central areas are in the same price range
- Is the average grade lower in the outskirts?
  - Answer: No, outskirt houses are in general one grade higher



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- Do outskirt houses have more lot than central houses?
  - Answer: Yes, houses in the outskirt have more lot

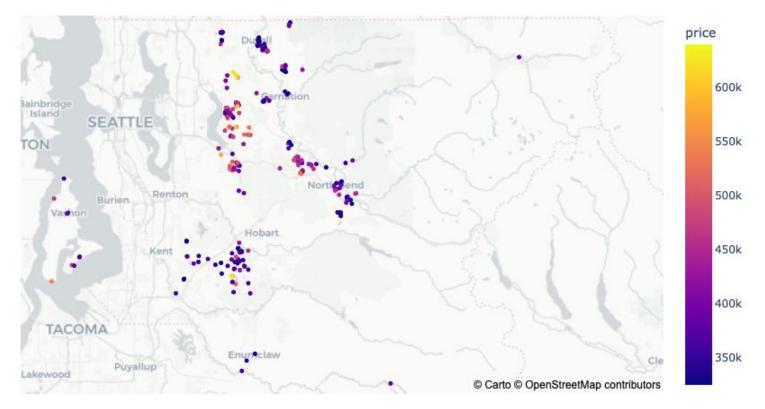


- Three recommendations to find an average outskirt house?
  - house prices of around 460000\$
  - o grades of 8
  - o lot of around 9500 sqft



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### The average outskirt houses



#### Conclusion and outlook

- could help Amy to find objects to buy/sell and also to hide in
- a different approach could be used for
  - distinguishing between outskirt and central
  - based on the latitudinal and longitudinal data
- the view of water has not been considered as a factor yet
  - but seems to play a role for the top 10% houses



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