

## Waterfall Plot: Feature Contribution Breakdown

Visualizing how each feature contributes to a single prediction

### Example: House Price Prediction (\$350K)

**Prediction: \$350K**

Condition **-\$20K**

Age **-\$30K**

Bedrooms

**+\$20K**

Location

**+\$50K**

Square Feet

**+\$80K**

**\$250K**

Base Value (Average prediction)



### How to Read

- Start at base value (bottom)
- Each bar adds/subtracts
- Red = pushes higher
- Blue = pushes lower
- Final value at top



### Key Insights

Waterfall plots show the additive nature of SHAP values

- Base + contributions = prediction
- Order: by impact magnitude
- Top 10-15 features shown

 Positive (increases prediction)

 Negative (decreases prediction)

#### Code Example

```
import shap  
shap.plots.waterfall(shap_values[0])
```



#### Use Cases

- Explain individual predictions
- Identify key drivers
- Debug model decisions
- Communicate with stakeholders