Business Problem

Real Estate firm wants a model to help them accurately price houses.

 How should we price a house based on property features such as lot, footage, bedroom #, bathroom #, and renovations?

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In [1]: import pandas as pd
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import matplotlib.ticker as mtick
        import seaborn as sns
        import numpy as np
        import scipy.stats as stats
        import statsmodels.api as sm
        import warnings
        warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
        from statsmodels.formula.api import ols
        from sklearn.feature selection import RFE
        from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression
        from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error, r2 score, mean absolute err
        from sklearn.model selection import KFold, cross val score
        from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder, OneHotEncoder
        from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor
        from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
        from sklearn.model selection import train test split
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Load Data

```
In [2]: df_column_names = ('data/column_names.md')
    df_house = pd.read_csv('data/kc_house_data.csv')
In [3]: df_house.head()
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Out[3]:

	id	date	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront
(7129300520	10/13/2014	221900.0	3	1.00	1180	5650	1.0	NaN
1	6414100192	12/9/2014	538000.0	3	2.25	2570	7242	2.0	0.0
2	5631500400	2/25/2015	180000.0	2	1.00	770	10000	1.0	0.0
3	2487200875	12/9/2014	604000.0	4	3.00	1960	5000	1.0	0.0
4	1954400510	2/18/2015	510000.0	3	2.00	1680	8080	1.0	0.0

5 rows × 21 columns

- id unique identifier for a house
- date Date house was sold

- price Price is prediction target
- · bedrooms Number of Bedrooms/House
- bathrooms Number of bathrooms/bedrooms
- sqft_livingsquare footage of the home
- sqft_lotsquare footage of the lot
- · floorsTotal floors (levels) in house
- · waterfront House which has a view to a waterfront
- · view # of views
- condition How good the condition is (Overall)
- grade overall grade given to the housing unit, based on King County grading system
- sqft_above square footage of house apart from basement
- · sqft_basement square footage of the basement
- yr_built Built Year
- yr_renovated Year when house was renovated
- · zipcode zip
- · lat Latitude coordinate
- · long Longitude coordinate
- sqft_living15 The square footage of interior housing living space for the nearest 15 neighbors
- sqft_lot15 The square footage of the land lots of the nearest 15 neighbors

Data Exploration

In [4]: df_house.info()

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 21597 entries, 0 to 21596
Data columns (total 21 columns):
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#	Column	Non-Nu	ıll Count	Dtype						
0	id	21597	non-null	int64						
1	date	21597	non-null	object						
2	price	21597	non-null	float64						
3	bedrooms	21597	non-null	int64						
4	bathrooms	21597	non-null	float64						
5	sqft_living	21597	non-null	int64						
6	sqft_lot	21597	non-null	int64						
7	floors	21597	non-null	float64						
8	waterfront	19221	non-null	float64						
9	view	21534	non-null	float64						
10	condition	21597	non-null	int64						
11	grade	21597	non-null	int64						
12	sqft_above	21597	non-null	int64						
13	sqft_basement	21597	non-null	object						
14	<pre>yr_built</pre>	21597	non-null	int64						
15	<pre>yr_renovated</pre>	17755	non-null	float64						
16	zipcode	21597	non-null	int64						
17	lat	21597	non-null	float64						
18	long	21597	non-null	float64						
19	sqft_living15	21597	non-null	int64						
20	sqft_lot15	21597	non-null	int64						
dtype	es: float64(8),	int64	(11), objec	ct(2)						
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In [5]: # Fields with nulls: waterfront, view, yr_renovated

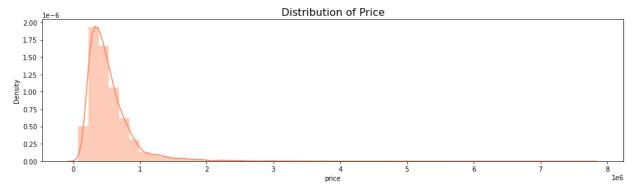
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In [6]: # print top 5 most frequent values in each column
        for col in df house.columns:
            print(col, '\n', df_house[col].value_counts(normalize=True).head(),
        condition
         3
              0.649164
             0.262861
        5
             0.078761
        2
             0.007871
             0.001343
        Name: condition, dtype: float64
        grade
         7
               0.415521
        8
              0.280826
        9
              0.121082
        6
              0.094365
              0.052507
        10
        Name: grade, dtype: float64
        caft ahous
In [7]: df_house['waterfront'].value_counts(normalize=True)
        # Make waterfront boolean where nulls are non waterfront properties
Out[7]: 0.0
               0.992404
        1.0
               0.007596
        Name: waterfront, dtype: float64
In [8]: df house['view'].value counts(normalize=True)
        # Make view boolean where nulls are properties without a view
Out[8]: 0.0
               0.901923
        2.0
               0.044441
        3.0
               0.023591
        1.0
               0.015325
        4.0
               0.014721
        Name: view, dtype: float64
```

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In [9]: df house['yr renovated'].value counts(normalize=True)
         # Make yr renovated boolean where nulls are unrenovated properties
 Out[9]: 0.0
                   0.958096
         2014.0
                   0.004112
         2003.0
                   0.001746
         2013.0
                   0.001746
         2007.0
                   0.001690
                      . . .
         1946.0
                   0.000056
         1959.0
                   0.000056
         1971.0
                   0.000056
         1951.0
                   0.000056
         1954.0
                   0.000056
         Name: yr_renovated, Length: 70, dtype: float64
In [10]: # check all unique values for 'grade'
         grade_values = list(df_house['grade'].unique())
         grade values.sort()
         grade_values
Out[10]: [3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13]
In [11]: # check all unique values for 'condition'
         condition_values = list(df_house['condition'].unique())
         condition_values.sort()
         condition values
Out[11]: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
In [12]: # check for identical home
         sum(df house.duplicated(subset=['id']))
Out[12]: 177
In [13]: # check for identical home / sale date rows
         sum(df house.duplicated(subset=['id','date']))
Out[13]: 0
         # ***is it an issue that the same home was sold several times for model?***
```

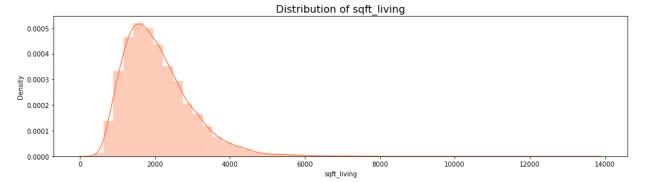
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In [15]: df_house['date'].value_counts(normalize=True)
Out[15]: 6/23/2014
                       0.006575
          6/25/2014
                       0.006066
          6/26/2014
                       0.006066
          7/8/2014
                       0.005880
          4/27/2015
                       0.005834
                          . . .
          5/15/2015
                       0.000046
          1/17/2015
                       0.000046
          7/27/2014
                       0.000046
          3/8/2015
                       0.000046
          8/3/2014
                       0.000046
          Name: date, Length: 372, dtype: float64
```

Only houses sold in 2014 and 2015 are in our data. This will limit how successful our model will be when used to predict pricing in the 2021 market.

```
In [16]: # Plot of the target column price
    plt.figure(figsize = (16, 4))
    sns.distplot(a = df_house["price"], color = "#FF7F50")
    plt.title("Distribution of Price", fontsize=16);
```



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In [17]: # Plot of the sqft_living column
    plt.figure(figsize = (16, 4))
    sns.distplot(a = df_house["sqft_living"], color = "#FF7F50")
    plt.title("Distribution of sqft_living", fontsize=16);
```



Should look at the effect of log of price and log of sqft living on the skew in data prep

Data Preparation

Remove unecessary features

Before removing features we will want to run tests to see which features are highly correlated or important to the model. However there are four columns I believe are reasonable to remove.

Columns to remove:

- id unique identifier for a house
 - not needed for modeling
- · lat Latitude coordinate
- · long Longitude coordinate
- · zipcode zip
 - to simplify analysis we will not include location information

```
In [18]: df_house = df_house.drop(['id', 'lat', 'long', 'zipcode'], axis=1)
```

Missing Values

Data Type Conversions

```
In [20]: # convert to datetime
# df_house['date'] = pd.to_datetime(df_house['date'])
In [21]: # # convert zipcode to category
# df_house['zipcode']=df_house['zipcode'].astype('category')
```

Reformat Data

```
In [22]: # create a year column instead of date
df_house['year_sold'] = df_house['date'].apply(lambda x: int(x[-4:]))
df_house['year_sold'].value_counts(normalize=True)

Out[22]: 2014    0.677038
    2015    0.322962
    Name: year sold, dtype: float64
```

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In [23]: # Create function for season of sale to account for seasonality in pricing
         def season(month):
             if month == 12 or 1 <= month <= 2:
                 season = 'Winter'
             elif 3 <= month <= 5:
                 season = 'Spring'
             elif 6 <= month <= 8:</pre>
                 season = 'Summer'
             else:
                 season = 'Fall'
             return season
In [24]: # to use our function convert date to datetime
         df house['date'] = pd.to datetime(df house['date'])
         # find month sold
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df_house['month_sold'] = df_house['date'].dt.month
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In [25]: df house['season sold'] = df house['month sold'].apply(season)
         df house['season sold'].value counts(normalize=True)
```

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Out[25]: Spring
                    0.301801
         Summer
                    0.293004
         Fall
                    0.234107
         Winter
                    0.171089
         Name: season_sold, dtype: float64
```

More houses sold in Spring and Summer than Fall and Winter. This could mean that houses sell at higher prices in Spring and Summer. Intuitively this makes sense based on general knowledge of housing markets.

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In [26]: df house = df house.drop(['date', 'month sold'], axis=1)
In [27]: # Convert sqft basement col to basement col which indicates whether or not
         # assume '0.0' and '?' values mean no basement
         df house['sqft basement'] = df house['sqft basement'].map(lambda x: 0 if x
         # convert column to float
         df house['sqft basement'] = df house['sqft basement'].astype('float')
         # add column called basement
         df_house['basement'] = df_house['sqft_basement'].map(lambda x: 1 if x > 0 e
         # remove the 'sqft basement' column
         df house = df house.drop(['sqft basement'], axis=1)
          1 # Change scale of grade to 0 - 10 so it's more intuitive
In [28]:
          2 df house['grade'] = df house['grade'].map(lambda x: x-3)
          3 grade values = list(df house['grade'].unique())
          4 grade values.sort()
```

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Out[28]: [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]
```

5 grade values

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In [29]: # define function for year renovated only counting houses renovated 2000 or
         def renovation(year):
             if year >= 2000:
                 return 1
             else:
                 return 0
In [30]: # apply function to the 'yr renovated' column
         df house['yr_renovated'] = df house['yr_renovated'].apply(renovation)
         # rename column
         df_house.rename({'yr_renovated': 'Renovated_in_2000s'}, axis=1, inplace=Tru
         df house['Renovated in 2000s'].value counts()
Out[30]: 0
              21218
                379
         Name: Renovated_in_2000s, dtype: int64
In [31]: # ***should we remove this column completely?***
         # binary classification of view
         def views(count):
             if count > 0:
                 return 1
             else:
                 return 0
In [32]: # apply function to 'view' column
         df house['view'] = df house['view'].apply(views)
         # rename view column
         df house.rename({'view': 'viewed'}, axis=1, inplace=True)
In [33]: | df house['viewed'].value counts(normalize=True)
Out[33]: 0
              0.902209
              0.097791
         Name: viewed, dtype: float64
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In [34]: df_house

Out[34]:

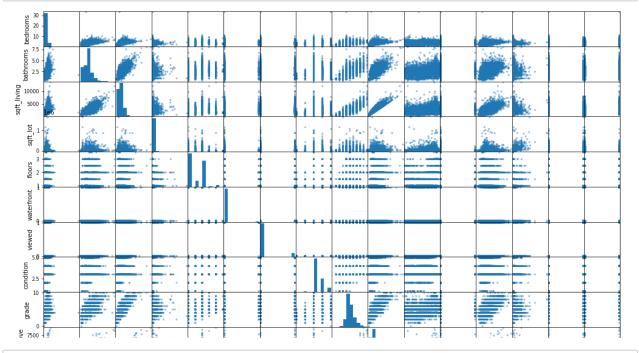
	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	viewed	condition
0	221900.0	3	1.00	1180	5650	1.0	0.0	0	3
1	538000.0	3	2.25	2570	7242	2.0	0.0	0	3
2	180000.0	2	1.00	770	10000	1.0	0.0	0	3
3	604000.0	4	3.00	1960	5000	1.0	0.0	0	5
4	510000.0	3	2.00	1680	8080	1.0	0.0	0	3
21592	360000.0	3	2.50	1530	1131	3.0	0.0	0	3
21593	400000.0	4	2.50	2310	5813	2.0	0.0	0	3
21594	402101.0	2	0.75	1020	1350	2.0	0.0	0	3
21595	400000.0	3	2.50	1600	2388	2.0	0.0	0	3
21596	325000.0	2	0.75	1020	1076	2.0	0.0	0	3

21597 rows × 18 columns

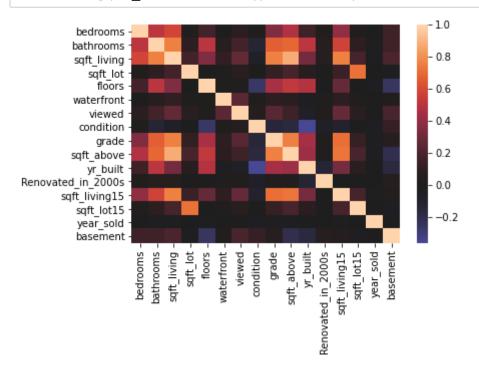
Multicollinearity

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In [35]: df_features = df_house.drop(['price'], axis=1)
In [36]: fig_num = len(df_features.columns)
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In [37]: # ***Is this even useful with such a large number of features when we can u
pd.plotting.scatter_matrix(df_features,figsize = [fig_num, fig_num]);
plt.show()



In [38]: sns.heatmap(df_features.corr(), center=0);



In [39]: df_features.corr()

Out[39]:

	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	viewed
bedrooms	1.000000	0.514508	0.578212	0.032471	0.177944	-0.002127	0.079232
bathrooms	0.514508	1.000000	0.755758	0.088373	0.502582	0.063629	0.175884
sqft_living	0.578212	0.755758	1.000000	0.173453	0.353953	0.104637	0.268465
sqft_lot	0.032471	0.088373	0.173453	1.000000	-0.004814	0.021459	0.068216
floors	0.177944	0.502582	0.353953	-0.004814	1.000000	0.020797	0.016311
waterfront	-0.002127	0.063629	0.104637	0.021459	0.020797	1.000000	0.248683
viewed	0.079232	0.175884	0.268465	0.068216	0.016311	0.248683	1.000000
condition	0.026496	-0.126479	-0.059445	-0.008830	-0.264075	0.016648	0.046835
grade	0.356563	0.665838	0.762779	0.114731	0.458794	0.082818	0.235252
sqft_above	0.479386	0.686668	0.876448	0.184139	0.523989	0.071778	0.151909
yr_built	0.155670	0.507173	0.318152	0.052946	0.489193	-0.024487	-0.063826
Renovated_in_2000s	0.032953	0.063790	0.051035	-0.013414	0.004076	0.014795	0.037916
sqft_living15	0.393406	0.569884	0.756402	0.144763	0.280102	0.083823	0.271852
sqft_lot15	0.030690	0.088303	0.184342	0.718204	-0.010722	0.030658	0.064884
year_sold	-0.009949	-0.026577	-0.029014	0.005628	-0.022352	-0.005018	0.004302
basement	0.158412	0.159863	0.201198	-0.034889	-0.252465	0.039220	0.188896

In [40]: # features correlated above .7 considered highly correlated
abs(df_features.corr()) > 0.7

Out[40]:

	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	viewed	conditio
bedrooms	True	False	False	False	False	False	False	Fals
bathrooms	False	True	True	False	False	False	False	Fals
sqft_living	False	True	True	False	False	False	False	Fals
sqft_lot	False	False	False	True	False	False	False	Fals
floors	False	False	False	False	True	False	False	Fals
waterfront	False	False	False	False	False	True	False	Fals
viewed	False	False	False	False	False	False	True	Fals
condition	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	Tru
grade	False	False	True	False	False	False	False	Fals
sqft_above	False	False	True	False	False	False	False	Fals
yr_built	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	Fals
Renovated_in_2000s	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	Fals
sqft_living15	False	False	True	False	False	False	False	Fals
sqft_lot15	False	False	False	True	False	False	False	Fals
year_sold	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	Fals
basement	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	Fals

```
In [41]: # save absolute value of correlation matrix as a data frame
         # converts all values to absolute value
         # stacks the row:column pairs into a multindex
         # reset the index to set the multindex to seperate columns
         \# sort values. 0 is the column automatically generated by the stacking
         lf=df_features.corr().abs().stack().reset_index().sort_values(0, ascending=F
         \# zip the variable name columns (Which were only named level 0 and level 1 k
        df['pairs'] = list(zip(df.level_0, df.level_1))
         # set index to pairs
         df.set_index(['pairs'], inplace = True)
         #drop level columns
         if.drop(columns=['level_1', 'level_0'], inplace = True)
         \# rename correlation column as cc rather than 0
         df.columns = ['cc']
         \# drop duplicates. This could be dangerous if you have variables perfectly c
         df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
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In [42]: df[(df.cc>.7) & (df.cc <1)]
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Out[42]:

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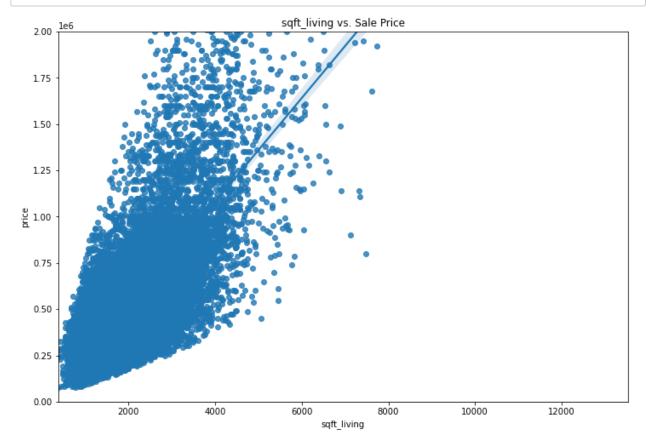
pairs	
(sqft_living, sqft_above)	0.876448
(grade, sqft_living)	0.762779
(sqft_living, sqft_living15)	0.756402
(sqft_above, grade)	0.756073
(bathrooms, sqft_living)	0.755758
(sqft_living15, sqft_above)	0.731767
(sqft_lot, sqft_lot15)	0.718204
(grade, sqft_living15)	0.713867

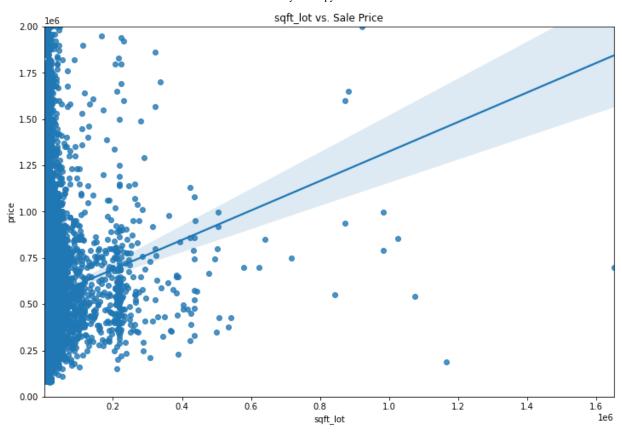
- Remove: sqft_above,sqft_living15, sqft_lot15
- Keeping: grade, sqft living, bathrooms
 - intuitively # of bathrooms, grade, and sqft_living should be important for house pricing
 - we can choose to remove these later if it is necessary for modeling

```
In [43]: # Let's go ahead and drop those columns from our original dataframe
    df_house = df_house.drop(['sqft_above', 'sqft_living15', 'sqft_lot15'], axi
    # Let's also drop them from our features
    df_features_clean = df_features.drop(['sqft_above', 'sqft_living15', 'sqft_
```

Continuous and Categorical

```
In [46]: # price vs continuous variables
for variable in continuous:
    ax, figure = plt.subplots(1,1,figsize=(12,8))
    plt.ylim(0,2000000)
    sns.regplot(x=variable, y='price', data=df_house)
    plt.title("{} vs. Sale Price".format(variable))
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In [47]: # ***should sqft lot be binned and changed to categorical?
In [48]: # assign categorical variables to a list
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In [49]: #Check that we included all features:
len(categorical) + len(continuous) == len(df_features_clean.columns)
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Out[49]: True

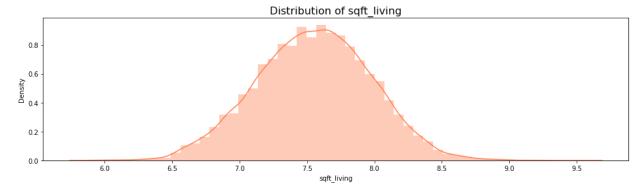
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In [50]: # price vs categorical variables
for variable in categorical:
    ax, figure = plt.subplots(1,1,figsize=(12,12))
    plt.ylim(0,2000000)
    sns.boxplot(x=variable, y='price', data=df_house)
    plt.title("{} vs. Sale Price".format(variable))
```

- yr_built is hard to interpret
- year_sold difference in price visually looks negligible
- season sold Spring/Summer do have slightly higher prices than Fall/Winter

Log Transformations



```
In [52]: non_normal = ['sqft_living']
    for feat in non_normal:
          df_house[feat] = df_house[feat].map(lambda x: np.log(x))
          plt.figure(figsize = (16, 4))
          sns.distplot(a = df_house["sqft_living"], color = "#FF7F50")
          plt.title("Distribution of sqft_living", fontsize=16);
```



one-hot encode categorical variables

```
In [53]: # Convert category variables data type
df_house[categorical] = df_house[categorical].astype('category')
```

In [54]: # # one hot encode categoricals
df_house_ohe = pd.get_dummies(df_house[categorical], drop_first=True)
df_house_ohe.head()

Out[54]:

	bedrooms_2	bedrooms_3	bedrooms_4	bedrooms_5	bedrooms_6	bedrooms_7	bedrooms_8	be
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	

5 rows × 181 columns

Out[55]:

	price	sqft_living	sqft_lot	bedrooms_2	bedrooms_3	bedrooms_4	bedrooms_5	bedrooms_6
0	12.309982	7.073270	5650	0	1	0	0	0
1	13.195614	7.851661	7242	0	1	0	0	0
2	12.100712	6.646391	10000	1	0	0	0	0
3	13.311329	7.580700	5000	0	0	1	0	0
4	13.142166	7.426549	8080	0	1	0	0	0

5 rows × 184 columns

In [56]: df_house.head()

Out[56]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	viewed	condition	grac
0	12.309982	3	1.00	7.073270	5650	1.0	0.0	0	3	
1	13.195614	3	2.25	7.851661	7242	2.0	0.0	0	3	
2	12.100712	2	1.00	6.646391	10000	1.0	0.0	0	3	
3	13.311329	4	3.00	7.580700	5000	1.0	0.0	0	5	
4	13.142166	3	2.00	7.426549	8080	1.0	0.0	0	3	

In [57]: df house.head()

Out[57]:

	price	bedrooms	bathrooms	sqft_living	sqft_lot	floors	waterfront	viewed	condition	grac
0	12.309982	3	1.00	7.073270	5650	1.0	0.0	0	3	
1	13.195614	3	2.25	7.851661	7242	2.0	0.0	0	3	
2	12.100712	2	1.00	6.646391	10000	1.0	0.0	0	3	
3	13.311329	4	3.00	7.580700	5000	1.0	0.0	0	5	
4	13.142166	3	2.00	7.426549	8080	1.0	0.0	0	3	

```
In [58]: df_house.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 21597 entries, 0 to 21596
         Data columns (total 15 columns):
             Column
                                 Non-Null Count Dtype
         ___
                                                 ____
                                 21597 non-null float64
          0
             price
                                 21597 non-null category
          1
             bedrooms
          2
             bathrooms
                                 21597 non-null category
          3
             sqft_living
                                 21597 non-null float64
          4
             sqft lot
                                 21597 non-null int64
          5
                                 21597 non-null category
             floors
             waterfront
                                21597 non-null category
          7
             viewed
                                 21597 non-null category
          8
             condition
                                 21597 non-null category
                                 21597 non-null category
          9
             grade
          10 yr_built
                                 21597 non-null category
          11 Renovated in 2000s 21597 non-null category
          12 year_sold
                                 21597 non-null category
          13
             season_sold
                                 21597 non-null category
                                 21597 non-null category
          14 basement
         dtypes: category(12), float64(2), int64(1)
         memory usage: 768.6 KB
```

Normalize numeric variables?

Feature Scaling and Normalization?

split data test and train

```
In [59]: # Divide dataset into X predictors and y target
    x = df_house_comb.drop(['price'], axis=1)
    y = df_house_comb[['price']]

In [60]: # Split the data into 80% training and 20% test sets
    x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x, y, test_size=0.2, sh

In [61]: # Validate rows in splits look as expected
    print(len(x_train), len(x_test), len(y_train), len(y_test))
    17277 4320 17277 4320
```

Model 1

Linear Regression

```
In [62]: linear_model = LinearRegression()
# Train the model on training data
linear_model.fit(x_train, y_train)
```

Out[62]: LinearRegression()

Linear model prediction

```
In [63]: # Predict on test data
predictions = linear_model.predict(x_test)
mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, predictions)
rmse = np.sqrt(mse)
print(rmse)
```

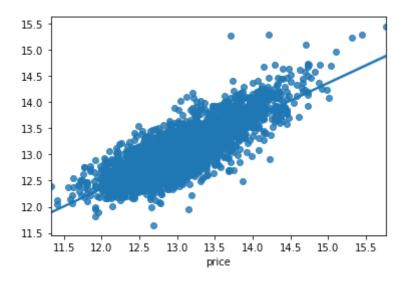
0.3055057066503532

```
In [64]: # Get how well it performed
mae_linear = mean_absolute_error(y_test, predictions)
print("Linear: {:,}".format(mae_linear))
```

Linear: 0.24102988548964943

```
In [65]: sns.regplot(x=y_test, y=predictions)
```

```
Out[65]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='price'>
```



```
In [66]: y_hat_train = linear_model.predict(x_train)
y_hat_test = linear_model.predict(x_test)
```

```
In [67]: train_residuals = y_hat_train - y_train
test_residuals = y_hat_test - y_test
```

R^2 train: 0.679, test: 0.657

Model 2

Decision Tree Regressor

```
In [70]: tree_model = DecisionTreeRegressor()

# Train the model on training data
tree_model.fit(x_train, y_train)

# Predict on test data
predictions = tree_model.predict(x_test)
```

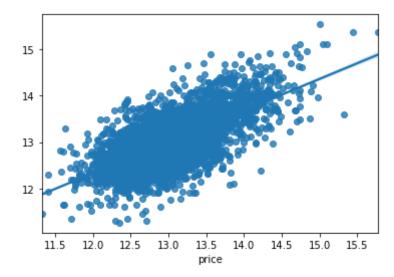
Tree model prediction

```
In [71]: # Get how well it performed
    mae_tree = mean_absolute_error(y_test, predictions)
    print("Tree: {:,}".format(mae_tree))
```

Tree: 0.321062439428164

```
In [72]: sns.regplot(x=y_test, y=predictions)
```

Out[72]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='price'>



```
In [73]: y_hat_train = tree_model.predict(x_train)
y_hat_test = tree_model.predict(x_test)
```

```
In [74]: #train_residuals = y_hat_train - y_train
#test_residuals = y_hat_test - y_test
```

```
In [75]: train_mse = mean_squared_error(y_train, y_hat_train)
    test_mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_hat_test)
    print('Train Mean Squarred Error:', train_mse)
    print('Test Mean Squarred Error:', test_mse)
```

Train Mean Squarred Error: 2.1355561816031956e-06 Test Mean Squarred Error: 0.17756654885902834

R^2 train: 1.000, test: 0.348

Model 3

Random Forest Regressor

```
In [77]: rf_model = RandomForestRegressor()

# Train the model on training data
rf_model.fit(x_train, y_train)

# Predict on test data
predictions = rf_model.predict(x_test)
```

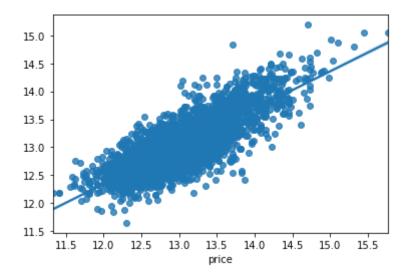
Random Forest model prediction

```
In [78]: # Get how well it performed
mae_rf = mean_absolute_error(y_test, predictions)
print("Random Forest: {:,}".format(mae_rf))
```

Random Forest: 0.24087587149358533

```
In [79]: sns.regplot(x=y_test, y=predictions)
```

Out[79]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='price'>



```
In [80]: y_hat_train = rf_model.predict(x_train)
y_hat_test = rf_model.predict(x_test)
```

```
In [81]: train_mse = mean_squared_error(y_train, y_hat_train)
    test_mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_hat_test)
    print('Train Mean Squarred Error:', train_mse)
    print('Test Mean Squarred Error:', test_mse)
```

Train Mean Squarred Error: 0.013291895866881082
Test Mean Squarred Error: 0.09566589214810833

R^2 train: 0.952, test: 0.649

Model 4

OLS

```
In [83]: x_train1 = sm.add_constant(x_train)
In [84]: x_test1 = sm.add_constant(x_test)
In [85]: result = sm.OLS(y_train,x_train1).fit()
```

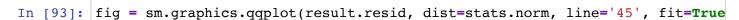
OLS model prediction

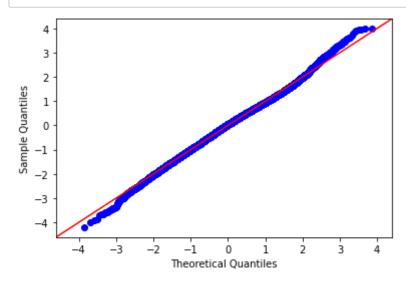
```
In [87]: result.summary()
                                                                                       0.091
                         floors 2.5
                                        0.0356
                                                   0.028
                                                            1.259 0.208
                                                                             -0.020
                                        0.1721
                                                   0.017
                                                           10.392 0.000
                                                                              0.140
                                                                                       0.205
                         floors_3.0
                                        0.1691
                                                   0.115
                                                            1.467 0.142
                                                                             -0.057
                                                                                       0.395
                         floors_3.5
                                                           15.735 0.000
                     waterfront_1.0
                                        0.4584
                                                   0.029
                                                                              0.401
                                                                                       0.516
                                        0.1154
                                                   0.009
                                                           13.349 0.000
                                                                              0.098
                                                                                       0.132
                          viewed_1
                                        0.0268
                                                   0.075
                                                            0.360 0.719
                                                                             -0.119
                                                                                       0.173
                        condition_2
                        condition_3
                                        0.1718
                                                   0.070
                                                            2.445 0.014
                                                                              0.034
                                                                                       0.310
                                        0.2104
                                                   0.070
                                                            2.994 0.003
                                                                              0.073
                                                                                       0.348
                        condition_4
                                        0.2689
                                                   0.071
                                                            3.808 0.000
                                                                              0.131
                                                                                       0.407
                        condition 5
                                       -0.3539
                                                   0.311
                                                           -1.137 0.256
                                                                             -0.964
                                                                                       0.256
                           grade_1
                                       -0.1957
                                                   0.306
                                                           -0.639 0.523
                                                                             -0.796
                                                                                       0.404
                           grade_2
                           grade 3
                                        -0.0261
                                                   0.306
                                                           -0.085 0.932
                                                                             -0.626
                                                                                       0.573
                                        0.2414
                                                   0.306
                                                            0.789 0.430
                                                                             -0.358
                                                                                        0.841
                           grade 4
```

Model 1 - Our best model so far is Model 1 our 'linear_model'

k-fold cross validation

Normality



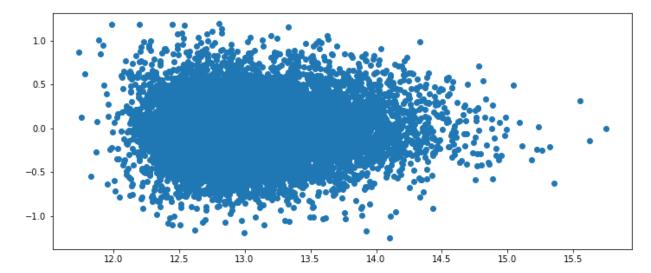


Normality looks good

Homoskedasticity

```
In [94]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,5))
plt.scatter(result.predict(x_train1), result.resid)
```

Out[94]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x7fd1e772b100>



Homoskedasticity looks ok

```
In [95]: separate the predictors and the target
         = x train
         = y_train
        initialize list to add r_adj values
        squared adj list = []
        or i in range(len(X.columns)):
           print("Pick {} features".format(i+1))
           # initialize linear regression object
           linear model = LinearRegression()
           selector = RFE(linear_model, n_features_to_select=(i+1))
           # convert y to 1d np array to prevent DataConversionWarning
           selector = selector.fit(X, y.values.ravel())
           # create list of selected columns
           selected columns = X.columns[selector.support ]
           # fit linear regression model
           linear model.fit(X[selected columns],y)
           LinearRegression(copy X=True, fit intercept=True, n_jobs=None, normalize=
           # predict y hat values
           yhat = linear model.predict(X[selected columns])
           # calculate performance metrics
           SS Residual = np.sum((y-yhat)**2) # calculate SS residual
           SS Total = np.sum((y-np.mean(y))**2) # calculate SS total
           r squared = 1 - (float(SS Residual))/SS Total # calculate r squared
           adjusted_r_squared = 1 - (1-r_squared)*(len(y)-1)/(len(y)-X[selected_columnwise]
           print(adjusted r squared)
           r squared adj list.append(adjusted r squared)
         dtype: float64
         Pick 26 features
         price
                  0.574541
         dtype: float64
         Pick 27 features
         price
                  0.574821
         dtype: float64
         Pick 28 features
         price
                 0.574803
         dtype: float64
         Pick 29 features
         price
                  0.575963
         dtype: float64
         Pick 30 features
         price
                  0.576158
         dtype: float64
         Pick 31 features
         price
                  0.57618
         dtype: float64
```

Summary

Our final model has an r-squared-adjusted value of 0.656. Our model performs about the same with the train and test data so we don't seem to have an overfitting issue. Normality and homoskedasticity looked good in our visualizations.

Our RMSE is 127k USD! This is not very confidence inspiring considering that the median home value of our analyzed dataset is 472k USD.

Expansion of data and more development is needed to make our model viable for use as a pricing model

Recommendations

- Sell houses in the Spring and Summer. More houses are purchased during this time and they tend to sell for higher prices.
- Expand data set beyond houses sold in 2014 and 2015. Having more current data would make the model more accurate.

```
In [ ]:
```