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- Our client is an individual homebuyer who is moving to Baltimore Maryland.
- Our client plans to buy a single family home in the city of Baltimore, live in the home for two years, then sell the home.
- They want to select a house in a zip code that will maximize their expected return on investment.
- Our task is to identify the five best zip codes within the city of Baltimore for this type of investment.

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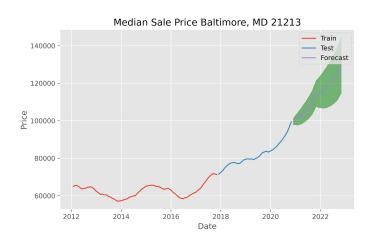


By identifying the five zip codes that are best suited to our client's investment strategy we expect to provide the following outcomes:

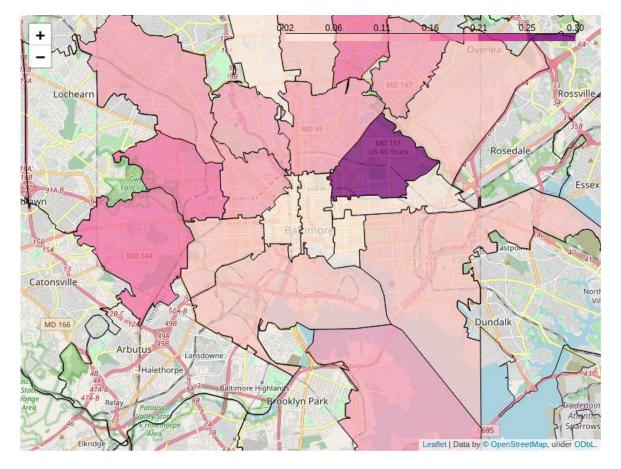
 Maximize return by identifying zip codes with favorable property cost trends.

# Methodology

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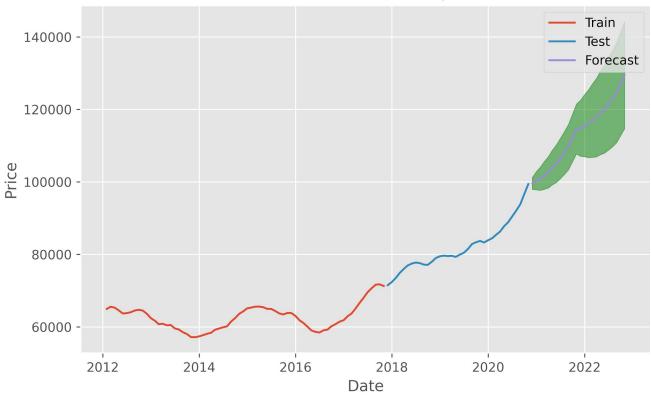


- Collect historical median sale price by zip code from Zillow.
- Fit a Seasonal AutoRegressive Integrated Moving Average (SARIMA) model for each zip code in Baltimore.
- Use SARIMA models to forecast median sale price for each zip code two years into the future.
- Select five zip codes with highest forecasted ROI.



Map of Baltimore zip codes indicating projected return on investment.

#### Median Sale Price Baltimore, MD 21213



Time series plot of median sale price for top zip code.

## Recommendations

### Best Zip Code: 21213



#### Belair-Edison Neighborhood:

• Median Sale Price: \$99,420

• Projected Median Sale Price: \$129,461

• Two Year ROI: 30%

Main Attraction: Herring Run Park

### Second Best Zip Code: 21229



#### Irvington Southwest Baltimore:

Median sale Price: \$131,301

• Forecast Median Sale Price: \$157,004

• Two Year ROI: 20%

• Main Attraction: Gwynns Falls Park

### Third Best Zip Code: 21216



Hanlon Longwood Neighborhood:

• Median sale Price: \$97,222

• Forecast Median Sale Price: \$115,741

• Two Year ROI: 19%

Main Attraction: Hanlon Park

### Fourth Best Zip Code: 21239



#### Idlewylde Neighborhood:

• Median sale Price: \$161,381 Forecast

Median Sale Price: \$187,150

• Two Year ROI: 16%

Main Attraction: Two Golf Courses

Country Club of Maryland

Mount Pleasant Golf Course

### Fifth Best Zip Code: 21226



#### Curtis Bay Neighborhood:

• Median sale Price: \$245,953

• Forecast Median Sale Price: \$279,256

• Two Year ROI: 14%

• Main Attraction: Curtis Bay waterfront

# **Future Work**

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- Optimize and parallelize code for a nation-wide search.
- Try Long Short-Term Memory neural networks in place of SARIMA models.
- Incorporate exogenous variables.
- Model a more realistic investment strategy.
  - House flipping
  - Rental property investment
- Build project dashboard.

#### **Thank You!**



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Project Repository: <u>Baltimore-Real-Estate-Investment</u>

# **Appendix**

### **List of Images**

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