# Final Project

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Dataset Used: Details of house sales in King County, Washington between May 2014 and May 2015.

Project Github: https://github.com/shailja-somani-0/ADS500B-rog-ver-sha

## 1 Import and Clean Dataset

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[63]: # Import packages necessary
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib as mpl
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import os
from IPython.display import display
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error as MSE
import xgboost as xg
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
[2]: # Check working directory if necessary - commented out as not necessary
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[2]: # Check working directory if necessary - commented out as not necessary #os.getcwd()
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[3]: #importing the csv file
df = pd.read_csv('house_sales.csv', header=0, sep=',')
df[:20]
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[3]:
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                                                             bathrooms
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[20 rows x 21 columns]

# [4]: # Checking to see if there are major outliers df.describe()

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[4]:
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                       id
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                                              bedrooms
                                                            bathrooms
            2.161300e+04
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                                          20479.000000
                                                        20545.000000
                                                                       20503.000000
     count
            4.580302e+09
                           5.400881e+05
                                              3.372821
                                                             2.113507
                                                                        2081.073697
    mean
            2.876566e+09
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     std
                           3.671272e+05
    min
            1.000102e+06
                           7.500000e+04
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     25%
            2.123049e+09
                           3.219500e+05
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     50%
            3.904930e+09
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                           4.500000e+05
    75%
            7.308900e+09
                           6.450000e+05
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            9.900000e+09
                           7.700000e+06
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    max
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sqft_lot
                             floors
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count
       2.056900e+04
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std
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mean
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                        828.090978
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std
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mean
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std
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#### 1.1 Fill in Null Values

[5]: # looking for the number of nulls in the data df.isnull().sum()

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[5]: id
                            0
                            0
     date
                            0
     price
     bedrooms
                         1134
     bathrooms
                         1068
     sqft_living
                         1110
     sqft_lot
                         1044
     floors
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     waterfront
     view
                            0
                            0
     condition
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grade
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                         0
     sqft_above
     sqft_basement
                         0
    yr_built
                         0
    yr_renovated
    zipcode
                         0
    lat
                         0
    long
                         0
    sqft living15
                         0
     sqft_lot15
                         0
     dtype: int64
[6]: # Use (sqft above + sqft basement) to fill in nulls for sqft living
     df['sqft_living'].fillna((df['sqft_above'] + df['sqft_basement']), inplace = |
      ⊶True)
[7]: # Use sqft_lot15 to fill in nulls for sqft_lot
     df['sqft_lot'].fillna(df['sqft_lot15'], inplace = True)
[8]: # Use the median of bedrooms for various buckets of sqft_living to fill in
     ⇔bedroom nulls
     # Set boundaries for bins & assign each bin a label to turn sqft_living into a_
      ⇔categorical variable
     bins = [0,1000,1500,2000,2500,3000,15000]
     labels=[1,2,3,4,5,6]
     # Column "a" becomes that categorical variable
     df['a'] = pd.cut(df['sqft_living'], bins=bins, labels=labels,__
      →include_lowest=True)
     # Loop through all values of column a, get the median bedrooms for each, then
     df['bedrooms'] = df.groupby('a')['bedrooms'].apply(lambda x: x.fillna(x.
      →median()))
[9]: # Use the median bathrooms for each value of bedrooms to fill in bathroom nulls
     # Set boundaries for bins & assign each bin a label to turn sqft living into all
      ⇔categorical variable
     bins = [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,35]
     labels=[1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11]
     # Column "a" becomes that categorical variable
     df['a'] = pd.cut(df['bedrooms'], bins=bins, labels=labels, include_lowest=True)
     # Loop through all values of column a, get the median bathrooms for each, then \Box
      \hookrightarrow fill in
     df['bathrooms'] = df.groupby('a')['bathrooms'].apply(lambda x: x.fillna(x.
      →median()))
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[10]: # Checking to make sure filling in the nulls worked
      df.isnull().sum()
[10]: id
                       0
      date
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      price
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      bedrooms
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      bathrooms
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      sqft_living
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      sqft_lot
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      sqft_above
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      sqft_basement
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      yr_built
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      yr_renovated
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      zipcode
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      lat
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      long
      sqft_living15
      sqft_lot15
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                       0
      dtype: int64
[11]: # Drop categorical column used to make bins to fill nulls
      df = df.drop(columns=["a"])
     1.2 Clean Up Date Field
[12]: # Get first 8 characters of date field - remove T000000
      df['date'] = pd.to_numeric(df['date'].str[:8])
[13]: # Checking the object types
      df.dtypes
[13]: id
                         int64
                         int64
      date
                       float64
      price
      bedrooms
                       float64
      bathrooms
                       float64
      sqft_living
                       float64
      sqft_lot
                       float64
      floors
                       float64
      waterfront
                         int64
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int64 view int64 condition grade int64 sqft\_above int64 sqft\_basement int64 int64 yr\_built yr\_renovated int64 zipcode int64 lat float64 float64 long sqft\_living15 int64 sqft\_lot15 int64 dtype: object

[14]: # Checking to see if the update made a change in the rows df.describe()

[14]: bathrooms id date price bedrooms 21613.000000 2.161300e+04 2.161300e+04 2.161300e+04 21613.000000 mean 4.580302e+09 2.014390e+07 5.400881e+05 3.373803 2.113335 std 0.758138 2.876566e+09 4.436582e+03 3.671272e+05 0.916691 min 1.000102e+06 2.014050e+07 7.500000e+04 0.000000 0.00000 25% 2.123049e+09 2.014072e+07 3.219500e+05 3.000000 1.750000 50% 4.500000e+05 3.904930e+09 2.014102e+07 3.000000 2.250000 75% 7.308900e+09 2.015022e+07 6.450000e+05 4.000000 2.500000 max 9.900000e+09 2.015053e+07 7.700000e+06 33.000000 8.000000 sqft\_living sqft\_lot floors waterfront view \ 21613.000000 2.161300e+04 count 21613.000000 21613.000000 21613.000000 mean 2079.899736 1.499496e+04 1.494309 0.007542 0.234303 std 4.075517e+04 0.539989 0.086517 0.766318 918.440897 min 290.000000 5.200000e+02 1.000000 0.000000 0.000000 25% 1427.000000 5.040000e+03 1.000000 0.000000 0.000000 50% 1910.000000 7.616000e+03 1.500000 0.000000 0.000000 75% 2550.000000 1.062500e+04 2.000000 0.000000 0.00000 max 13540.000000 1.651359e+06 3.500000 1.000000 4.000000 grade sqft\_above sqft\_basement yr\_built 21613.000000 21613.000000 21613.000000 21613.000000 count 1788.390691 1971.005136 mean 7.656873 291.509045 std 1.175459 828.090978 442.575043 29.373411 min 1.000000 290.000000 0.000000 1900.000000 25% 7.000000 1190.000000 0.000000 1951.000000 ---50% 7.000000 1560.000000 0.000000 1975.000000 75% 8.000000 2210.000000 560.000000 1997.000000 13.000000 9410.000000 4820.000000 2015.000000 max

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      [8 rows x 21 columns]
[15]: # Take a peek at the cleaned df
      df.head()
[15]:
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[5 rows x 21 columns]

## 2 Data Analysis and Visualization

Identify categorical, ordinal, and numerical variables within the data Provide measures of centrality and distribution with visualizations

Diagnose for correlations between variables and determine independent and dependent variables Perform exploratory analysis in combination with visualization techniques to discover patterns and features of interest

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[71]: # reading the first 5 rows of all the fields to check their data type display(df.head())

print("All fields seem to be numerical.\nDiscrete fields are: id, price,__

bedrooms, bathrooms, floors, waterfront, view, condition, grade, yr_built,__

yr_renovated, and zipcode. \nContinuous fields are: sqft_living, sqft_lot,__

sqft_above, sqft_basement, lat, long, sqft living, sqft_lot. \nThere are no__

fields with categorical or ordinal data types.")
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All fields seem to be numerical.

Discrete fields are: id, price, bedrooms, bathrooms, floors, waterfront, view, condition, grade, yr\_built, yr\_renovated, and zipcode.

Continuous fields are: sqft\_living, sqft\_lot, sqft\_above, sqft\_basement, lat, long, sqft living, sqft\_lot.

There are no fields with categorical or ordinal data types.

```
[16]: print("Now lets look at the centrality and distribution with boxplot and
       ⇔histogram visualizations of a few select fields: price, sqft_living, and⊔

yr_built.")
      print("Let's start with house prices")
      # find the median and 1st and 3rd quartiles
      print("The quartiles and the median are:\n" + str((df.price.quantile([0.25,0.
       5,0.75))))
      # lets remove the outliers now for our plot
      # find IQR
      # find third and 1st quartile of price
      # then subtract to find the difference
      q3, q1 = np.percentile(df.price, [75, 25])
      iqr = q3 - q1
      print("The IQR is " + str(iqr.round(3)))
      # create the lower and upper outlier points
      lower_outliers = q1 - 1.5*iqr
      upper_outliers = q3 + 1.5*iqr
      \# create the new subset based on all rows that are greater than the lower \sqcup
       outliers and less than the upper outlier.
      updated price = df.loc[(df['price'] > lower outliers) & (df['price'] < |
       →upper_outliers)]
      # do not display y axis in scientific notation
      plt.ticklabel_format(style='plain')
      # create boxplot
      updated_price.boxplot(column=["price"])
      plt.title('Boxplot of House Prices')
      plt.text(1.1, 480000, 'Median is 450,000', fontsize=12)
      plt.show()
      plt.close()
      # create histogram
      updated_price.hist(column='price', ec='black')
      plt.title('Histogram of House Prices')
      plt.xlabel('Price')
      plt.ylabel('Frequency')
      plt.show()
      plt.close()
      print("We can see that house prices are right skewed and most frequent around ⊔
       ⇔the 400k area.")
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Now lets look at the centrality and distribution with boxplot and histogram visualizations of a few select fields: price, sqft\_living, and  $yr_built$ .

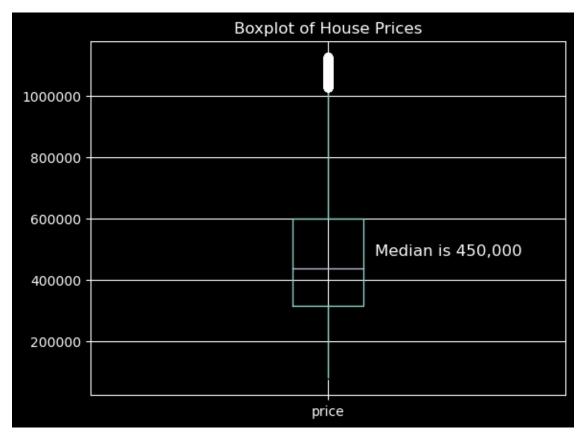
Let's start with house prices

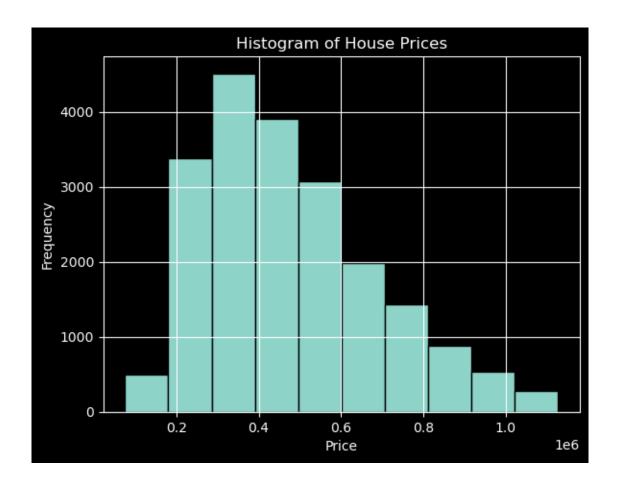
The quartiles and the median are:

0.25 321950.0 0.50 450000.0 0.75 645000.0

Name: price, dtype: float64

The IQR is 323050.0





We can see that house prices are right skewed and most frequent around the 400k area.

```
print("Now lets look at the square footage of living space")

# find the median and 1st and 3rd quartiles

print("The quartiles and the median are:\n" + str((df.sqft_living.quantile([0.

-25,0.5,0.75]))))

# lets remove the outliers now for our plot

# find IQR

# find third and 1st quartile of price

# then subtract to find the difference

q3, q1 = np.percentile(df.sqft_living, [75, 25])

iqr = q3 - q1

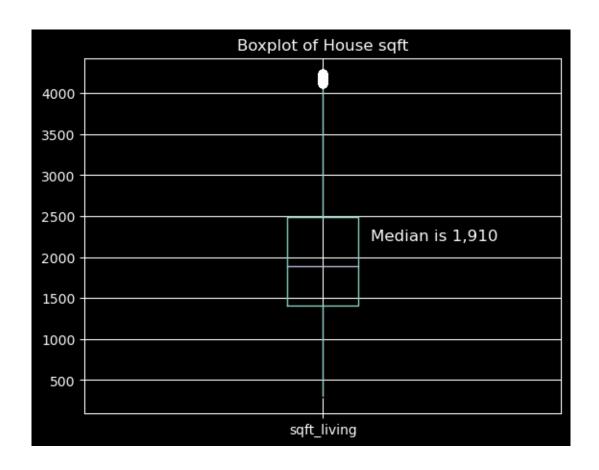
print("The IQR is " + str(iqr.round(3)))

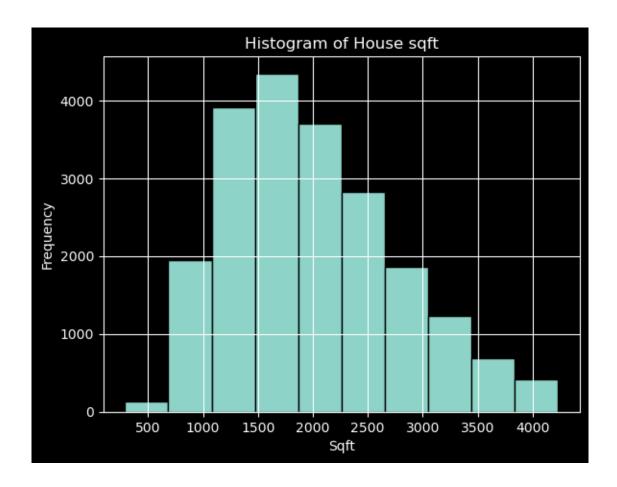
# create the lower and upper outlier points

lower_outliers = q1 - 1.5*iqr
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upper_outliers = q3 + 1.5*iqr
# create the new subset based on all rows that are greater than the lower |
 outliers and less than the upper outlier.
updated_sqft = df.loc[(df['sqft_living'] > lower_outliers) & (df['sqft_living']_
 # do not display y axis in scientific notation
plt.ticklabel_format(style='plain')
# create boxplot
updated sqft.boxplot(column=["sqft living"])
plt.title('Boxplot of House sqft')
plt.text(1.1, 2200, 'Median is 1,910', fontsize=12)
plt.show()
plt.close()
# create histogram
updated_sqft.hist(column='sqft_living', ec='black')
plt.title('Histogram of House sqft')
plt.xlabel('Sqft')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.show()
plt.close()
print("We can see that house prices are right skewed and most frequent around ⊔
```

```
Now lets look at the square footage of living space The quartiles and the median are:
0.25     1427.0
0.50     1910.0
0.75     2550.0
Name: sqft_living, dtype: float64
The IQR is 1123.0
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We can see that house prices are right skewed and most frequent around the 2000 area.

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upper_outliers = q3 + 1.5*iqr
# create the new subset based on all rows that are greater than the lower !!
 outliers and less than the upper outlier.
updated_year = df.loc[(df['yr_built'] > lower_outliers) & (df['yr_built'] <__
 →upper_outliers)]
# do not display y axis in scientific notation
plt.ticklabel_format(style='plain')
# create boxplot
updated year.boxplot(column=["yr built"])
plt.title('Boxplot of Year Built')
plt.text(1.1, 1990, 'Median is 1,975', fontsize=12)
plt.show()
plt.close()
# create histogram
updated_year.hist(column='yr_built', ec='black')
plt.title('Histogram of Year Built')
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.show()
plt.close()
print("We can see that house prices are left skewed and most frequent around_{\sqcup}
 Lastly lets look at the year built
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The quartiles and the median are:

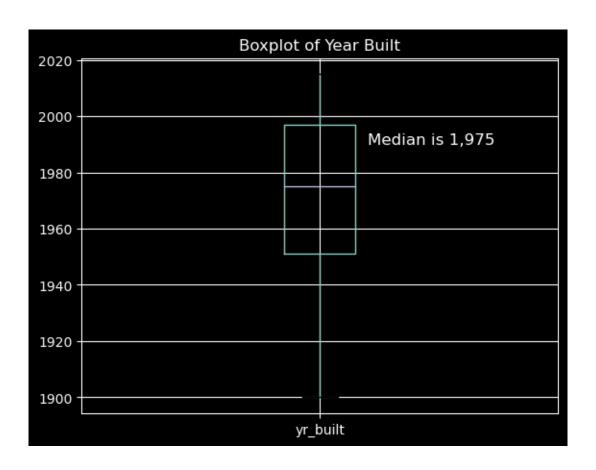
0.25 1951.0

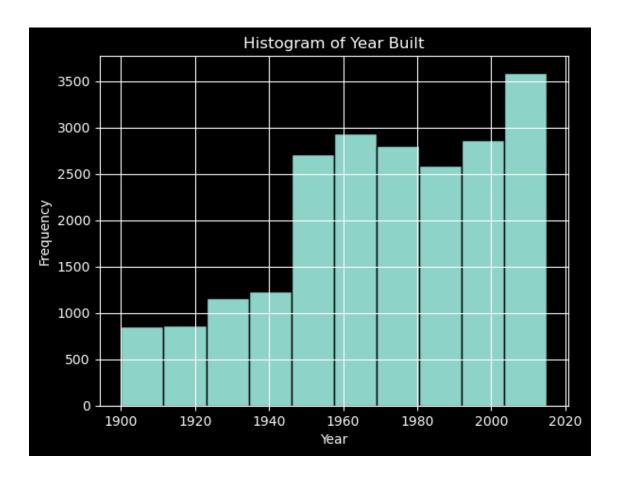
0.50 1975.0

0.75 1997.0

Name: yr\_built, dtype: float64

The IQR is 46.0





We can see that house prices are left skewed and most frequent around the 2020 area.

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print("From the analysis, we can try to predict price based on multiple

ovariables such as the square footage and the year built. That means all the

oindependent or x variables (square feet and year built) together can be used

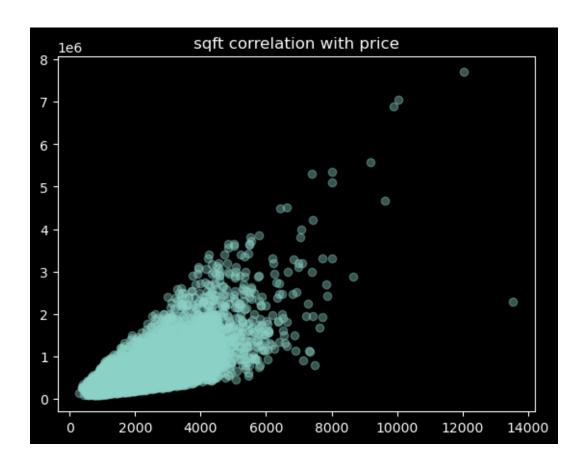
oto try to predict or dependent or y variable (price).")
```

```
Now let's diagnose for correlations between some variables and determine
independent and dependent variables
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                       ]]
There is a strong positive correlation between price and square footage of
0.7020
[[1.
             0.05401153]
 [0.05401153 1.
                       11
There is a very weak or no positive correlation between price and year built of
0.0540
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             0.318048771
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                       11
There is a weak positive correlation between square footage and year built of
0.3180
From the analysis, we can try to predict price based on multiple variables such
as the square footage and the year built. That means all the independent or x
variables (square feet and year built) together can be used to try to predict or
dependent or y variable (price).
```

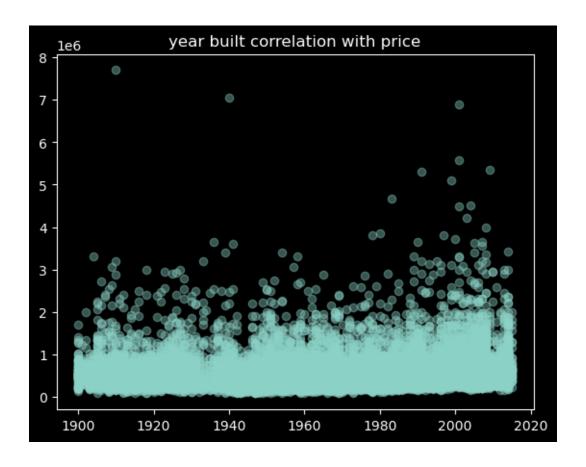
```
[29]: print("Finally let's perform exploratory analysis in combination with ⊔
      wisualization techniques to discover patterns and features of interest")
      print("Let's look at the scatter plots and the correlations of price, u
       ⇔sqft_living, and yr_built")
      # plot scatters to show the 3 attributes and their correlation with each other
      plt.scatter(df[['sqft_living']], df[['price']], alpha=0.4)
      plt.title("sqft correlation with price")
      plt.show()
      print("There seems to be a strong positive correlation between square feet and ⊔
       oprice.\nThis confirms the previously calculated correlation of 0.7020")
      plt.scatter(df[['yr_built']], df[['price']], alpha=0.4)
      plt.title("year built correlation with price")
      plt.show()
      print("There seems to be a very small positive correlation between year built⊔
       →and price.\nThis confirms the previously calculated correlation of 0.0540")
      plt.scatter(df[['yr_built']], df[['sqft_living']], alpha=0.4)
      plt.title("sqft correlation with year built")
      plt.show()
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print("There seems to be a slightly positive correlation between floor year ⊔
 \hookrightarrowbuilt and square feet.\nThis confirms the previously calculated correlation\sqcup
 →of 0.3180")
# create a heatmap to show correlations between all attributes
correlation df = df[["price", "sqft living", "yr built", "bedrooms", "
 #Use the `.corr()` method on `df` to get the correlation matrix
correlation_matrix = correlation_df.corr()
# create heatmap, set hues for negative, positive areas of map and saturation
# create heatmap given: dataset, value range to anchor map with (-1 and 1),
 ⇔colormap name set above, set title
red_blue = sns.diverging_palette(220, 20, as_cmap=True)
sns.heatmap(correlation_matrix, vmin = -1, vmax = 1, cmap=red_blue).
 ⇔set(title="Correlation Heatmap")
plt.show()
print("With this heatmap, we can see how strongly a few select variables⊔
 \hookrightarrowcorrelate with each other. This can give us an idea of a few variables that\sqcup
⇒we can use to try to predict prices.\nFor example: Price correlates strongly⊔
 ⇔with square footage and number of bathrooms")
```

Finally let's perform exploratory analysis in combination with visualization techniques to discover patterns and features of interest Let's look at the scatter plots and the correlations of price, sqft\_living, and yr\_built

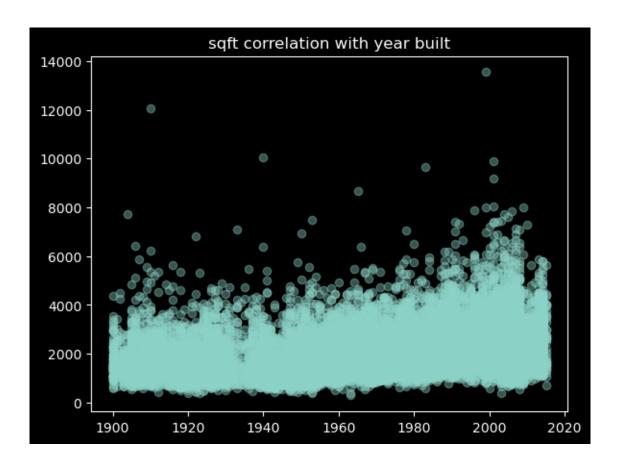


There seems to be a strong positive correlation between square feet and price. This confirms the previously calculated correlation of 0.7020



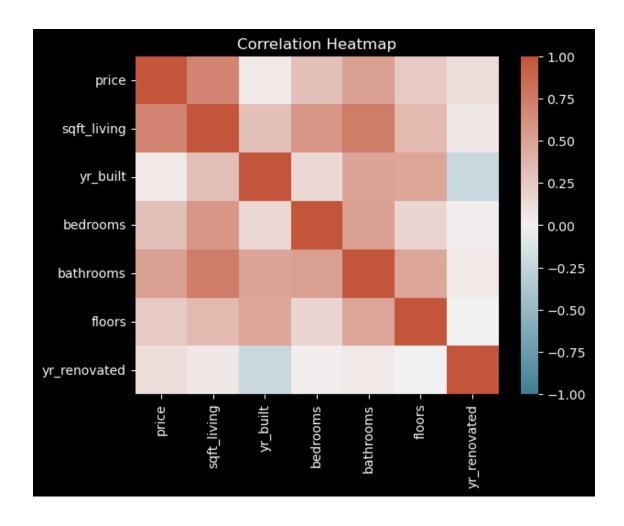
There seems to be a very small positive correlation between year built and price.

This confirms the previously calculated correlation of 0.0540



There seems to be a slightly positive correlation between floor year built and square feet.

This confirms the previously calculated correlation of 0.3180



With this heatmap, we can see how strongly a few select variables correlate with each other. This can give us an idea of a few variables that we can use to try to predict prices.

For example: Price correlates strongly with square footage and number of bathrooms

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## 3 Building a Model

## 3.1 Test Different Options & Choose One with Lowest RMSE

```
[16]: # Choose independent & dependent variables for model
      X =__
       df[['date','bedrooms','bathrooms','sqft_living','sqft_lot','floors','waterfront',
             'view','condition','grade','sqft_above','sqft_basement','yr_built',
             'yr_renovated', 'zipcode', 'lat', 'long']]
      Y = df[['price']]
[17]: # Split data into 70% training and 30% test data
      x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, Y, test_size = 0.3,_u
       →random_state = 222)
[18]: # Linear Regression
      lin_model = LinearRegression().fit(x_train, y_train)
      lin_pred = lin_model.predict(x_test)
      # Linear Regression RMSE
      lin_rmse = np.sqrt(MSE(y_test, lin_pred))
      print(lin_rmse)
     211274.4353263405
[19]: # XG Boost
      xgb = xg.XGBRegressor(objective = 'reg:squarederror', n_estimators = 10, seed = __
      xgb_model = xgb.fit(x_train, y_train)
      xgb_pred = xgb_model.predict(x_test)
      # XGB RMSE
      xgb_rmse = np.sqrt(MSE(y_test, xgb_pred))
      print(xgb_rmse)
     144182.06142324655
[20]: # Random Forest
      rf_model = RandomForestClassifier().fit(x_train,y_train.values.ravel())
      rf_pred = rf_model.predict(x_test)
      # RF RMSE
      rf_rmse = np.sqrt(MSE(y_test, rf_pred))
      print(rf rmse)
     185379.738334969
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```

## 3.2 Optimize Hyperparameters of Model with Lowest RMSE (XG Boost)

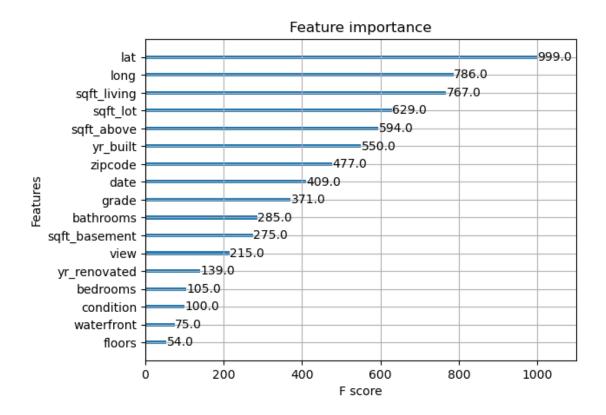
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[26]: # Set parameters to search through combinations of
      params = { 'max_depth': [3,6,10],
                 'learning_rate': [0.01, 0.05, 0.1],
                 'n_estimators': [100, 500, 1000]}
      # Initialize XG Boost Model & have grid_search iterate through all combinations_
       ⇔of parameters
      xgb = xg.XGBRegressor(seed = 222)
      grid_search = GridSearchCV(estimator=xgb,
                         param_grid=params,
                         scoring='neg_mean_squared_error',
                         verbose=1)
      grid_search.fit(x_train, y_train)
      # Print out best parameters & lowest RMSE
      print("Best parameters:", grid_search.best_params_)
      print("Lowest RMSE: ", (-grid_search.best_score_)**(1/2.0))
     Fitting 5 folds for each of 27 candidates, totalling 135 fits
     Best parameters: {'learning_rate': 0.1, 'max_depth': 3, 'n_estimators': 1000}
     Lowest RMSE: 119993.12021454785
[28]: # Build Final Model with Optimized Hyperparameters
      xgb_final = xg.XGBRegressor(objective = 'reg:squarederror', n_estimators = ___
       \hookrightarrow1000, max_depth = 3,
                                     learning_rate = 0.1, seed = 222)
      final_model = xgb_final.fit(x_train, y_train)
      final_pred = final_model.predict(x_test)
      # Final Model RMSE
      final_rmse = np.sqrt(MSE(y_test, final_pred))
      print(final_rmse)
```

123890.49542354565

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## 3.3 Visualize Feature Importance

```
[33]: # Visualize importance of features in models
xg.plot_importance(final_model)
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = [5, 5]
plt.show()
%matplotlib inline
```



## 3.4 Get Predictions for Example House

```
[65]: # Example House: https://www.zillow.com/homedetails/
       →516-E-Denny-Way-Seattle-WA-98122/49011225_zpid/
      bedrooms = 4
      bathrooms = 3
      sqft_living = 2380
      sqft_above = 2380
      sqft_basement = 0
      sqft_lot = 2099
      floors = 1
      waterfront = 0
      view = 0
      yr_built = 1919
      yr_renovated = 1919
      date = 20221210
      lat = 47.618680
      long = -122.324470
      zipcode = 98122
      grade = 7 # made this up as I don't know how grade was defined in our dataset
      condition = 4 # made this up as I don't know how condition was defined in our_
       \hookrightarrow dataset
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[69]: # Get predicted house value for our example house print("The cost of this house is estimated to be: \$" + str(final\_model. 
→predict(ex\_house)[0]))

The cost of this house is estimated to be: \$878823.56

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