Home_Sale_Prediction_using_RF_KNN_LM_RPART.R

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!!!!!!!!!!!!!!WARNING!!!!!!!
# 1. The R version used to create this script is 3.5.3
# Algorithm to predict the prices of the homes in Sacramento CA Area
The following methods are used to predict the data
#-----#

    Classification and Regression Trees - rpart()

 2. K - Nearest Neigbors - knn()
 Random Forest - randomforest()
 4. Linear model - lm()
#-----#
# Add the libraries required to run the algorithm
library(dslabs)
library(tidyverse)
## — Attaching packages
tidyverse 1.2.1 --
## √ ggplot2 3.1.1 √ purrr 0.3.2

√ forcats 0.4.0

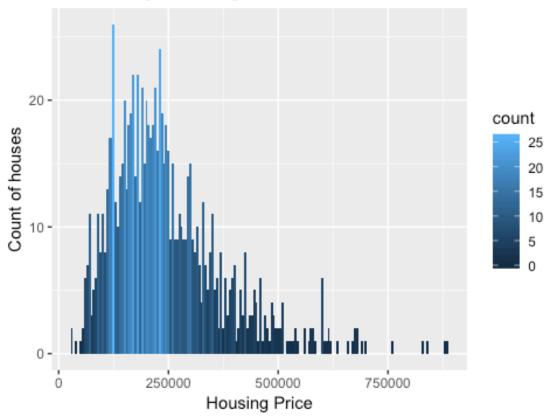
## √ readr 1.3.1
## — Conflicts
tidyverse conflicts() ---
## * dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## * dplyr::lag() masks stats::lag()
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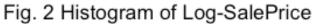
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library(ggplot2)
library(caret)
## Loading required package: lattice
##
## Attaching package: 'caret'
## The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':
##
##
     lift
library(reshape2)
##
## Attaching package: 'reshape2'
## The following object is masked from 'package:tidyr':
##
     smiths
##
library(forecast)
library(rpart)
library(rpart.plot)
library(randomForest)
## randomForest 4.6-14
## Type rfNews() to see new features/changes/bug fixes.
##
## Attaching package: 'randomForest'
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
     combine
##
## The following object is masked from 'package:ggplot2':
##
##
     margin
# set the seed to 1 to get the same result every time
set.seed(1)
options(warn=-1)
# Load the dataframe "Sacramento" from the dslabs package
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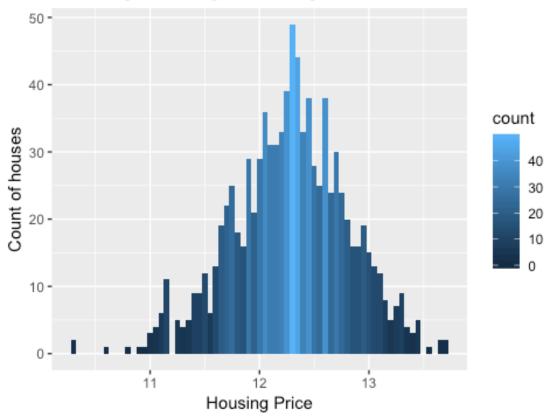
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data("Sacramento")
# This area will research on the data present in the Sacramento dataset
# Print the dimensions on the dataset to find the predictors and outcomes
dim(Sacramento)
## [1] 932
#-----#
# Let's print the summary of the Sacramento dataset
summary(Sacramento)
##
           city
                     zip
                              beds
                                         baths
                                      Min.
## SACRAMENTO
                 z95823 : 61
            :438
                           Min.
                              :1.000
                                           :1.000
            :114
## ELK GROVE
                 z95828 : 45
                           1st Qu.:3.000
                                      1st Qu.:2.000
## ROSEVILLE
            : 48
                 z95758 : 44
                           Median :3.000
                                      Median :2.000
## CITRUS HEIGHTS: 35
                z95835 : 37
                           Mean
                                :3.276
                                      Mean
                                           :2.053
## ANTELOPE
                 z95838 : 37
                           3rd Qu.:4.000
                                      3rd Qu.:2.000
            : 33
  RANCHO_CORDOVA: 28
                 z95757 : 36
##
                           Max.
                                :8.000
                                      Max.
                                           :5.000
##
  (Other)
            :236
                 (Other):672
##
      sqft
                    type
                             price
                                        latitude
## Min.
      : 484
             Condo
                     : 53
                          Min. : 30000
                                      Min.
                                           :38.24
  1st Qu.:1167
             Multi Family: 13
                          1st Qu.:156000
                                      1st Qu.:38.48
##
##
  Median :1470
             Residential:866
                          Median :220000
                                      Median :38.62
## Mean
      :1680
                          Mean
                              :246662
                                      Mean
                                          :38.59
  3rd Qu.:1954
                          3rd Qu.:305000
##
                                      3rd Qu.:38.69
  Max.
                               :884790
##
       :4878
                          Max.
                                      Max.
                                           :39.02
##
##
    longitude
## Min. :-121.6
  1st Qu.:-121.4
##
## Median :-121.4
## Mean
      :-121.4
## 3rd Qu.:-121.3
##
  Max.
       :-120.6
##
# The Goal is to predict the sale price of the homes in Sacramento Area
# At the END of the module the RMSE values of each prediction will be
# displayed as a conclusion
# The outcome field: Sacramento$price - sale price
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# The following fields may be used as predictors
# 1. city
           - factor
# 2. zip
           - factor
# 3. beds
           - Integer
# 4. baths
          - numeric
# 5. sqft
           - integer
# 6. type
           - factor
# 7. Latitude - numeric
# 8. Longitude - numeric
#-----#
names(Sacramento)
            "zip"
                          "baths"
## [1] "city"
                   "beds"
                                  "sqft"
                                          "type"
## [7] "price" "latitude" "longitude"
# The summary shows that there are 3 types of homes with more sales
# in Sacramento city, the sqft ranges from 484 to 4878. The beds in
# the homes ranges from 1 to 8 and baths are between 1 and 5.
# The price ranges are from 30000$ to a max of 885000$.
# Let's find out the predictors for the outcomes using vizualization
#-----#
# Compute the mean of the sale price in Sacramento area
#-----#
avg sale price <- mean(Sacramento$price)</pre>
#-----#
# Let's see if the sale price and number of sales are normally
# Distributed
#-----#
options(scipen=10000)
ggplot(Sacramento, aes(x = price, fill = ..count..)) +
 geom_histogram(binwidth = 5000) +
 ggtitle("Fig. 1 Histogram of SalePrice") +
 ylab("Count of houses") +
 xlab("Housing Price") +
 theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))
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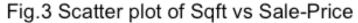


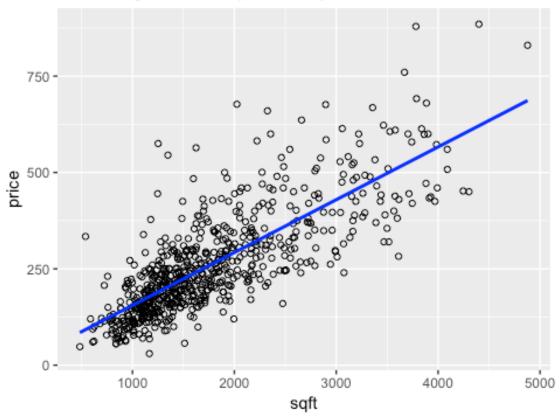




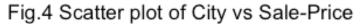


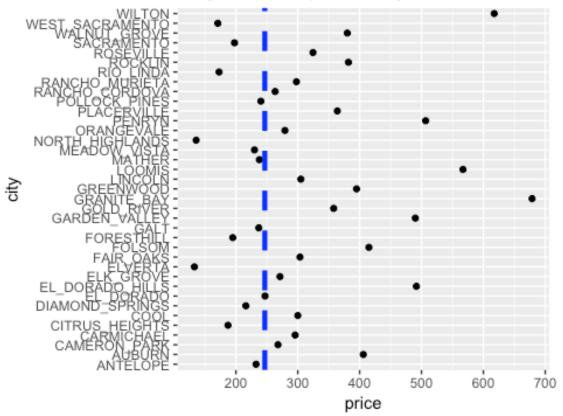
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# After the log transforms the data looks normally distributed
# Let's plot the price vs Sqft relationship to see if the sqft can be
# used as a predictor. Let's use the scatter plot to determine this
# note that the sale price is transformed to 100s and the mean for the
# price for sqfts are plotted.
Sacramento %>%
 group_by(sqft) %>%
 summarize(price=mean(price/1000)) %>%
 select(sqft,price) %>%
 ggplot(aes(x=sqft,y=price)) +
 geom_point(shape=1) +
 geom_smooth(method=lm , color="blue", se=FALSE)+
 ggtitle("Fig.3 Scatter plot of Sqft vs Sale-Price") +
 theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.4))
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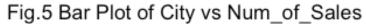


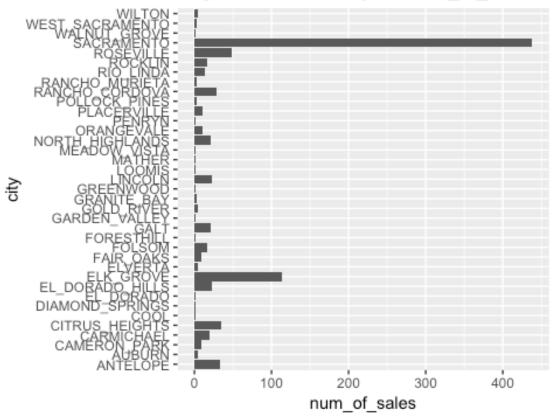


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# As the scatter plot (Fig. 3) shows there is a linear relationship and the
# sqft can be used as a predictor which we can confirm using heat map
# for correlations
# Let's plot the city vs Sale Price relationship to see if the city can
# be used as a predictor. Let's use the scatter plot to determine this
# note that the sale price is transformed to 100s and the mean for the
# price for cities are plotted.
Sacramento %>%
 group by(city) %>%
 summarize(price=mean(price/1000)) %>%
 select(city,price) %>%
 ggplot( aes(x=price, y=city)) +
 geom_point()+geom_vline(xintercept = avg_sale_price/1000,
                     linetype="dashed", color = "blue", size=1.5) +
 ggtitle("Fig.4 Scatter plot of City vs Sale-Price") +
 theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.4))
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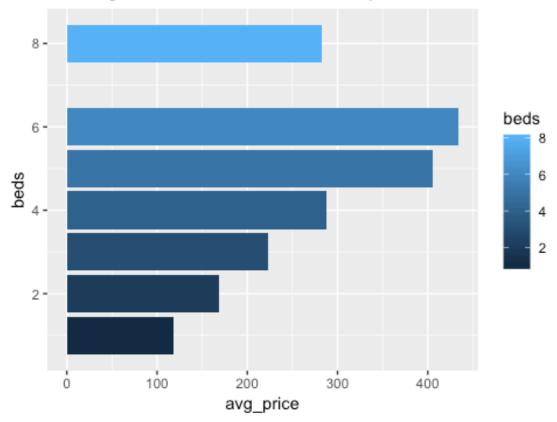






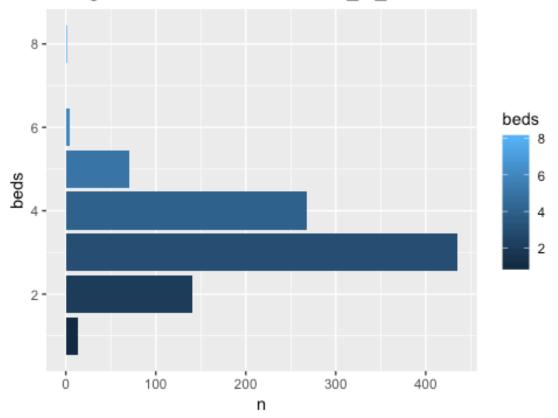
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Sacramento %>% group_by(city) %>% summarize(num_of_sale = n())
## # A tibble: 37 x 2
                      num_of_sale
##
      city
##
      <fct>
                            <int>
##
   1 ANTELOPE
                               33
##
   2 AUBURN
                                5
   3 CAMERON PARK
                                9
##
##
  4 CARMICHAEL
                               20
                               35
## 5 CITRUS_HEIGHTS
##
   6 COOL
                                1
##
  7 DIAMOND_SPRINGS
   8 EL_DORADO
##
  9 EL DORADO HILLS
                               23
## 10 ELK GROVE
                              114
## # ... with 27 more rows
# This confirms that the city cannot be used as a predictor
# Now, Let's plot the Beds vs Sale price relationship to see if the Beds
```

Fig.6 Bar Plot of Beds vs Sale price



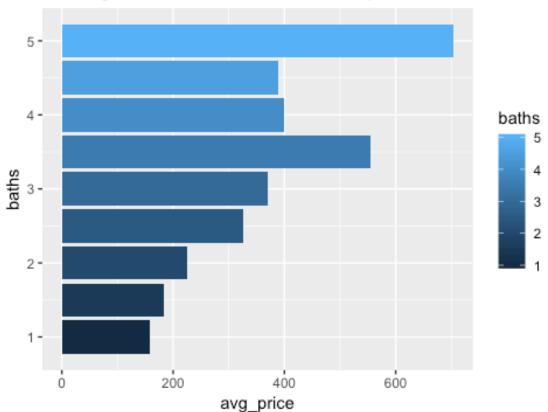
```
Sacramento%>%group_by(beds)%>%summarize(n=n()) %>%
  select(beds,n) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x=beds,y=n,fill=beds)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity") +
  coord_flip() +
  ggtitle("Fig.7 Bar Plot of Beds vs Num_of_Sales") +
  theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.4))
```

Fig.7 Bar Plot of Beds vs Num_of_Sales



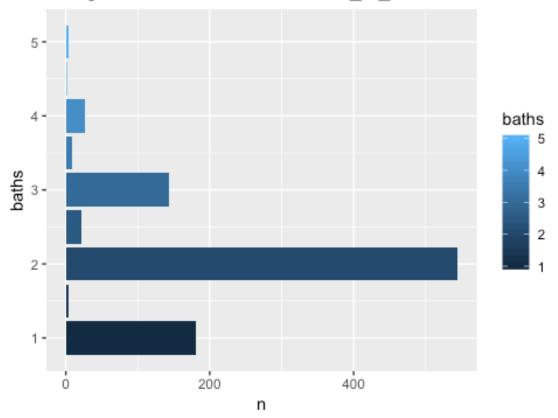
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# The Bar plot Fig.6 clearly shows that when Beds increases the price
# increases and Fig.7 shows there is an outlier with bedrooms 8 beds
# which has only one sample which can be removed from the data
# Now, Let's plot the Baths vs Sale price relationship to see if the
# Baths can be used as a predictor. Let's use the scatter plot to
# determine this note that the sale price is transformed to 100s and
# the mean for the price for baths are plotted.
Sacramento %>%
 group by(baths) %>%
 summarize(avg_price=mean(price/1000)) %>%
 select(baths,avg_price) %>%
 ggplot(aes(x=baths,y=avg_price,fill=baths)) +
 geom_bar(stat="identity") +
 coord_flip() +
 ggtitle("Fig.8 Bar Plot of Baths vs Sale price") +
 theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.4))
```





```
Sacramento%>%group_by(baths)%>%summarize(n=n()) %>%
  select(baths,n) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x=baths,y=n,fill=baths)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity") +
  coord_flip() +
  ggtitle("Fig.9 Bar Plot of Baths vs Num_of_Sales") +
  theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.4))
```

Fig.9 Bar Plot of Baths vs Num_of_Sales



```
Sacramento%>%group_by(baths)%>%summarize(n=n()) %>%
 select(baths,n)
## # A tibble: 9 x 2
##
   baths
   <dbl> <int>
##
## 1
     1
         180
## 2
     1.5
## 3
     2
         544
## 4
     2.5
         22
## 5
     3
         143
## 6
     3.5
           8
          27
## 7
     4
## 8
     4.5
           1
## 9
           3
# The Bar plot Fig.8 clearly shows that when baths increases the price
# increases and Fig.9 shows there is an outlier with 4.5 baths which
# has only one sample which can be removed from the data
```

Fig.10 Bar Plot of Type vs Sale price

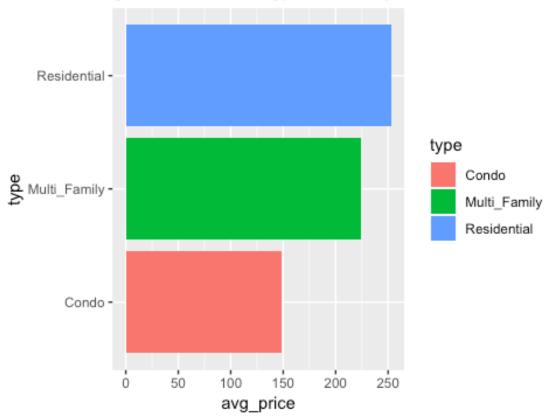
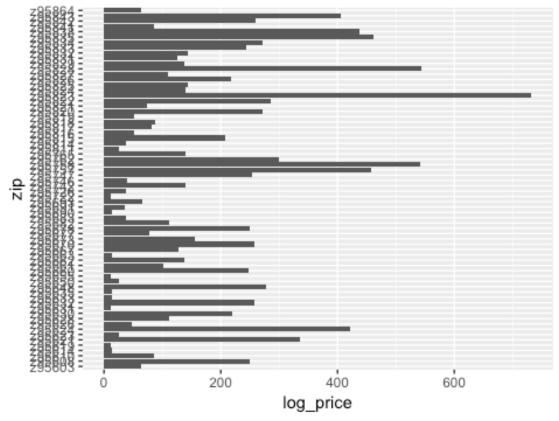
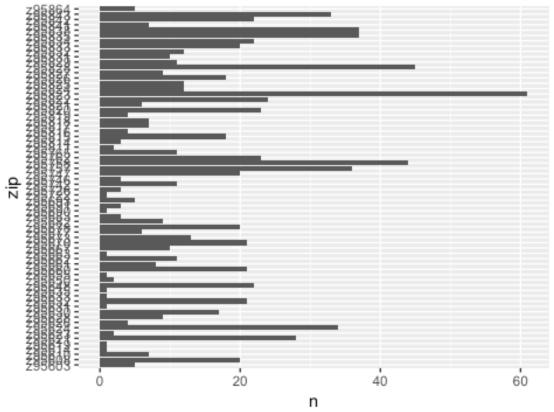


Fig.11 Bar Plot of Zip vs Sale price



```
Sacramento%>%group_by(zip)%>%summarize(n=n()) %>%arrange(desc(n)) %>%
  select(zip,n) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x=zip,y=n)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity") +
  coord_flip() +
  ggtitle("Fig.12 Bar Plot of Zip vs Num_of_Sales") +
  theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.4))
```

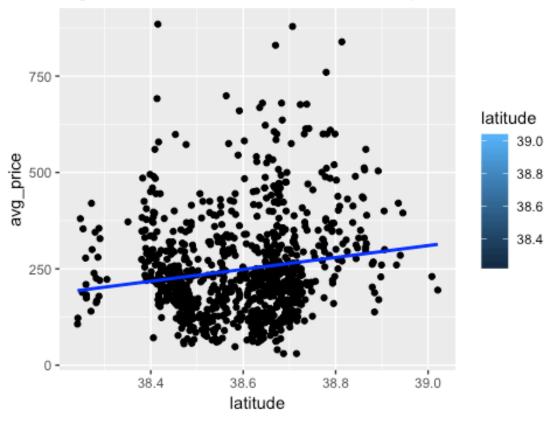




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Sacramento %>% select(zip,beds) %>% group_by(zip,beds) %>%
summarize(n_bed=n())
## # A tibble: 196 x 3
## # Groups:
               zip [68]
##
              beds n_bed
      zip
             <int> <int>
##
      <fct>
   1 z95603
                 2
                        2
##
                        1
##
    2 z95603
                 3
   3 z95603
                 4
                        2
##
##
   4 z95608
                 2
                       4
##
   5 z95608
                 3
                      11
    6 z95608
                 4
                        5
##
                 3
                        5
##
   7 z95610
                        1
  8 z95610
                 4
##
  9 z95610
                 5
                        1
##
## 10 z95614
                 3
                        1
## # ... with 186 more rows
# Even though the Fig 11 shows some relationship between zip and sale
# price, there is no concrete evidence to support the reason for the
# dependency. For instance, the number of sales based on beds were
```

```
# summarized in an assumption that the bedroom counts may play a role
# in the raise in saleprice on the particular zipcode but the summary
# defies that, hence this can be eliminated to be a predictor
# Let's plot the latitude and longitude field to see if it can be used
# as Predictors
Sacramento %>%
 group by(latitude) %>%
 summarize(avg price=mean(price/1000)) %>%
 select(latitude,avg_price) %>%
 ggplot(aes(x=latitude,y=avg_price,fill=latitude)) +
 geom_point() +
 geom_smooth(method=lm , color="blue", se=FALSE)+
 ggtitle("Fig.13 Scatter Plot of Latitude vs Sale price") +
 theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.4))
```

Fig.13 Scatter Plot of Latitude vs Sale price



```
Sacramento %>%
  group_by(longitude) %>%
```

```
summarize(avg_price=mean(price/1000)) %>%
select(longitude,avg_price) %>%
ggplot(aes(x=longitude,y=avg_price,fill=longitude)) +
geom_point() +
geom_smooth(method=lm , color="blue", se=FALSE)+
ggtitle("Fig.14 Scatter Plot of Longitude vs Sale price") +
theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.4))
```

Fig.14 Scatter Plot of Longitude vs Sale price

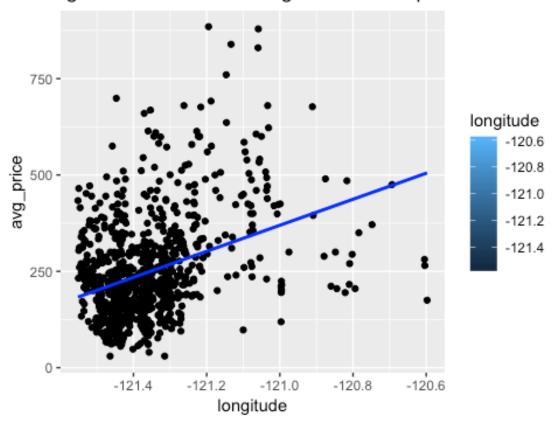
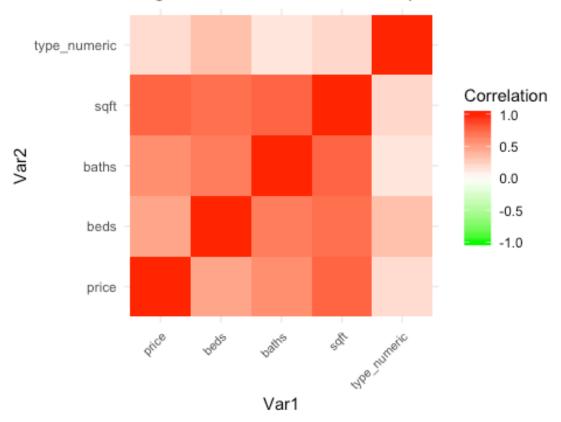


Figure 15 Correlation Heatmap

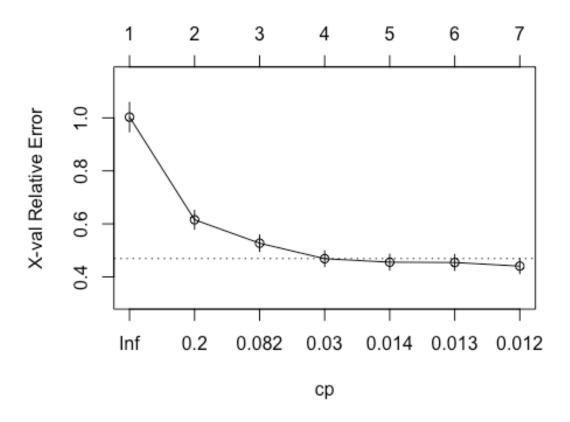


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# Remove the house with beds = 8 and bath = 4.5
Sacramento_data <- Sacramento %>% filter((beds != 8)) %>% filter((baths !=
4.5))
#-----#
# Confirm the outliers were removed
unique(Sacramento data$baths)
## [1] 1.0 2.0 3.0 4.0 5.0 1.5 2.5 3.5
unique(Sacramento_data$beds)
## [1] 2 3 1 4 5 6
# Select the required data for modeling
Sacramento model data <- Sacramento data %>%
 select(log_price, beds, baths, sqft, type_numeric)
# Partition the data into test and train datasets
y_all <- Sacramento_model_data$log_price
index<-createDataPartition(y_all,times=1,p=0.8,list=FALSE)</pre>
train_data<- Sacramento_model_data[index,]</pre>
test data<- Sacramento model data[-index,]
# Display the details of Train and Test datasets
dim(train_data)
## [1] 745
dim(test data)
## [1] 185
summary(train data)
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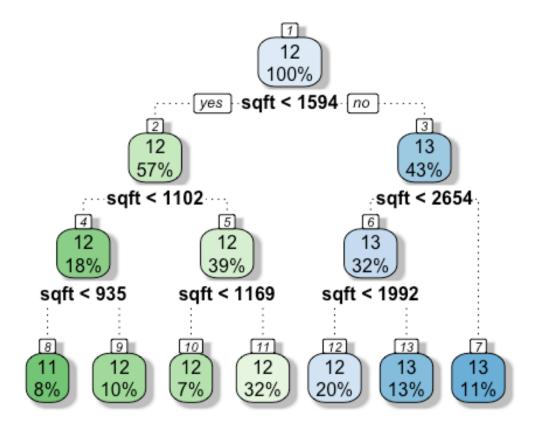
```
##
     log_price
                       beds
                                     baths
                                                    sqft
## Min.
         :10.31
                  Min.
                         :1.000
                                 Min.
                                        :1.000
                                                Min.
                                                      : 484
##
   1st Qu.:11.96
                  1st Qu.:3.000
                                 1st Qu.:2.000
                                                1st Qu.:1172
                                                Median:1477
##
   Median :12.30
                  Median :3.000
                                 Median :2.000
                        :3.289
##
   Mean
         :12.28
                  Mean
                                 Mean
                                        :2.058
                                                Mean
                                                      :1682
                  3rd Qu.:4.000
                                 3rd Qu.:2.000
##
   3rd Qu.:12.63
                                                3rd Qu.:1940
##
  Max.
         :13.69
                  Max.
                        :6.000
                                 Max.
                                       :5.000
                                                Max.
                                                      :4400
##
    type_numeric
##
   Min.
         :1.000
##
   1st Ou.:3.000
## Median :3.000
## Mean
          :2.867
   3rd Qu.:3.000
##
## Max.
          :3.000
summary(test_data)
##
     log_price
                       beds
                                     baths
                                                    sqft
  Min. :10.99
                                                Min.
                                                      : 539
##
                  Min.
                        :2.000
                                 Min.
                                        :1.000
   1st Qu.:11.95
##
                  1st Qu.:3.000
                                 1st Qu.:2.000
                                                1st Qu.:1140
## Median :12.30
                  Median :3.000
                                 Median :2.000
                                                Median :1440
##
   Mean
          :12.30
                  Mean
                        :3.189
                                 Mean
                                        :2.011
                                                Mean
                                                      :1657
   3rd Qu.:12.61
                  3rd Qu.:4.000
                                 3rd Qu.:2.000
                                                3rd Qu.:1980
##
##
   Max.
         :13.63
                  Max.
                        :6.000
                                 Max.
                                       :5.000
                                                Max.
                                                      :4878
##
    type numeric
##
   Min.
         :1.000
##
   1st Qu.:3.000
## Median :3.000
## Mean
          :2.897
##
   3rd Qu.:3.000
## Max.
          :3.000
# Let us use the linear model to predict the RMSE to make sure the
# squared errors and mimimal, so that we can use the data for other
# models to predict the fit
#-----#
linreg <- lm(log_price~.,data = train_data)</pre>
summary(linreg)
##
## lm(formula = log price ~ ., data = train data)
##
## Residuals:
       Min
##
                1Q
                     Median
                                 3Q
                                        Max
## -1.75587 -0.22238 0.00903 0.23030 1.22231
## Coefficients:
                 Estimate Std. Error t value
                                                       Pr(>|t|)
##
```

```
## (Intercept) 11.10717828 0.08399718 132.233 < 0.0000000000000000 ***
       -0.05055495 0.02273543 -2.224
## beds
                                         0.026475 *
## baths
           0.09921736 0.02933540 3.382
                                         0.000757 ***
           0.00049507 0.00003063 16.165 < 0.00000000000000000 ***
## saft
## type numeric 0.10490029 0.02913622 3.600
                                         0.000339 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.3579 on 740 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.5509, Adjusted R-squared: 0.5485
## F-statistic: 226.9 on 4 and 740 DF, p-value: < 0.00000000000000022
pred_lm_lp <- predict(linreg,test_data,type="response")</pre>
# Combine the results into a dataframe
residuals <- test_data$log_price - pred_lm_lp</pre>
linreg pred <- data.frame("Method"="LM",</pre>
                  "Predicted" = pred_lm_lp,
                  "Actual" = test data$log price,
                  "Residual" = residuals)
acc lm<-accuracy(pred lm lp, test data$log price)
accuracy_details <- data.frame("Method" = "LM", RMSE=acc_lm[2])</pre>
#-----#
# The RMSE is less (0.341) hence we are proceeding to the next model
# Classification and regression trees - Recursive partitioning
# Lets pick the confusion parameter for rpart function for cross
# validation
rpart_cp = rpart.control(cp=0.01)
rpart_tree <- rpart(log_price ~ .,data=train_data,control = rpart_cp)</pre>
plotcp(rpart_tree)
```

size of tree

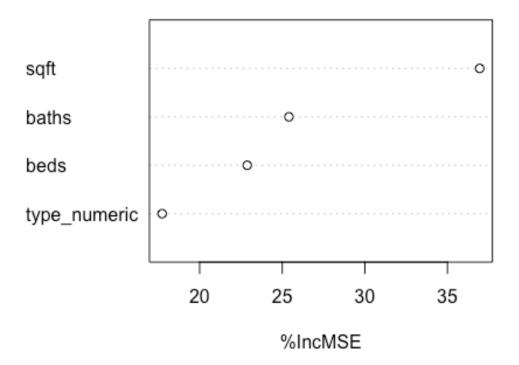


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# The plot shows the relative error is getting minimized when cp=0.011
printcp(rpart_tree)
##
## Regression tree:
## rpart(formula = log_price ~ ., data = train_data, control = rpart_cp)
## Variables actually used in tree construction:
## [1] sqft
##
## Root node error: 211.02/745 = 0.28325
##
## n= 745
##
##
        CP nsplit rel error xerror
                  1.00000 1.00304 0.055433
## 1 0.394402
               0
## 2 0.099840
                  0.60560 0.61544 0.035568
               1
## 3 0.066656
               2
                  0.50576 0.52689 0.030900
## 4 0.013766
               3
                  0.43910 0.46840 0.029624
               4 0.42534 0.45522 0.029884
## 5 0.013514
```



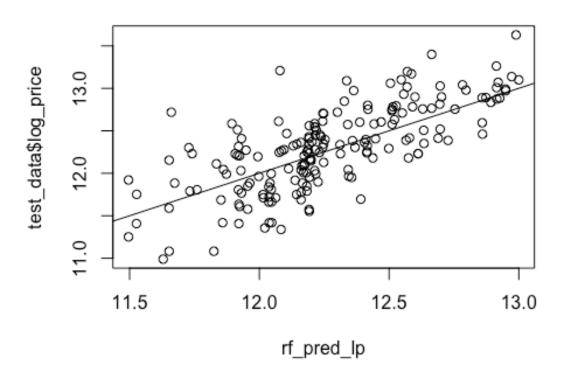
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combined_predictions <- bind_rows(linreg_pred,rpart_pred)</pre>
acc_rpart<-accuracy(rpart_pred_lp, test_data$log_price)</pre>
accuracy details <- bind rows(accuracy details,
           data.frame("Method" = "RPART", RMSE=acc_rpart[2]))
# Note that the RMSE is decreased as 0.339 as compared to LM
# Random Forest model
rf_fit <- randomForest(log_price ~ .,data=train_data,</pre>
             importance =TRUE, ntree=500,
             nodesize=7, na.action=na.roughfix)
# Plot the variable importance graph
options(repr.plot.width=9, repr.plot.height=6)
varImpPlot(rf_fit, type=1)
```

rf_fit



```
# Predict for the test data
rf_pred_lp <- predict(rf_fit, newdata=test_data )</pre>
accuracy(rf_pred_lp, test_data$log_price)
##
             ME
                  RMSE
                         MAE
                                MPE
                                      MAPE
## Test set 0.03285384 0.342537 0.274664 0.1843465 2.241556
# Combine the results into a dataframe
residuals <- test_data$log_price - rf_pred_lp</pre>
rf_pred <- data.frame("Method"="RandomForest",</pre>
               "Predicted" = rf_pred_lp,
                 "Actual" = test_data$log_price,
                 "Residual" = residuals)
combined predictions <- bind_rows(combined predictions,rf_pred)</pre>
acc_rf<-accuracy(rf_pred_lp, test_data$log_price)</pre>
```

Figure 16 Predicted vs. Actual log SalePrice



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# Knn algorithm to pick the K value
#-----#
train_knn <- train(log_price~.,data=train_data,method="knn",</pre>
           tuneGrid = data.frame(k=seq(1,10,by=0.25)),
           trControl = control knn)
# Get the correct K value from Cross fold validation
k_value <- as.numeric(train_knn$bestTune)</pre>
print(k_value)
## [1] 9.75
#-----#
# get the fit for prediction
#-----#
fit knn<-train(log price~.,data=train data,method="knn",
         tuneGrid=data.frame(k=k value))
# predict the fit using the test data
#-----#
knn_pred_lp<-predict(fit_knn,newdata = test_data)</pre>
# Combine the results into a dataframe
#-----#
residuals <- test data$log price - knn pred lp
knn_pred <- data.frame("Method"="RandomForest",</pre>
              "Predicted" = knn pred lp,
             "Actual" = test_data$log_price,
             "Residual" = residuals)
combined predictions <- bind rows(combined predictions,knn pred)</pre>
acc_knn<-accuracy(knn_pred_lp, test_data$log_price)</pre>
accuracy_details <- bind_rows(accuracy_details,</pre>
              data.frame("Method" = "KNN", RMSE=acc_knn[2]))
# Display the RMSE values for each model used in this script
accuracy_details %>% knitr::kable()
```

Method	RMSE
LM	0.3418035
RPART	0.3390634
RF	0.3425370
KNN	0.3483518