

A photograph of a city street with brick buildings, a sidewalk, and a blue banner with a sun emblem hanging from a lamppost. The title text is overlaid on a white rectangular area in the center-right of the image.

House Price Prediction Model & Urban Development

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What and Why?

2 Model Development

How?

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Problem Statement



Department of Housing,
City of Ames

“Developing the best actionable & explainable price prediction model
based on current available Ames
housing dataset 2010”

Model Development Process

Part I

Clean

drop - impute - cast type

EDA

get insight - clean outliers

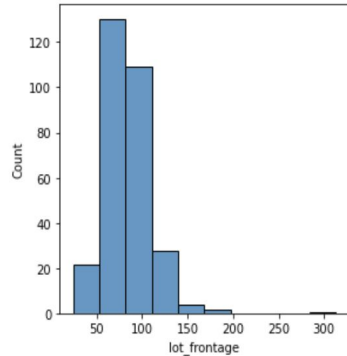
Encode

dummy

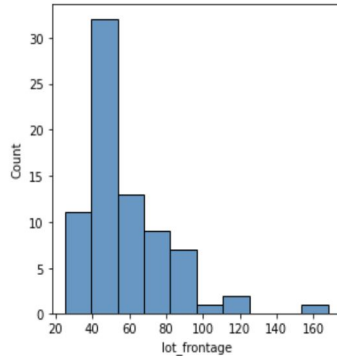
Part II

Data Cleaning – Fill null values

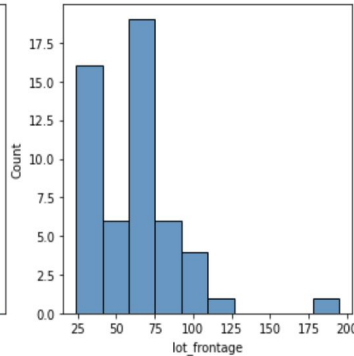
- Fill null values in the columns 'lot frontage' with the **median** values of this column when grouped by type of 'lot configuration'



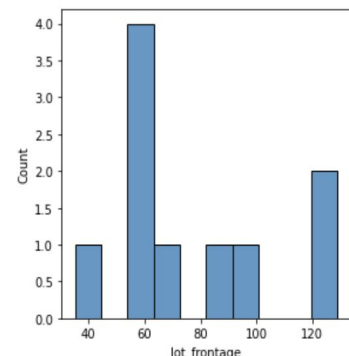
Corner Lot



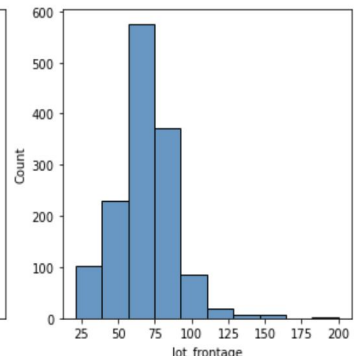
Cul-de-Sac



Frontage on
2 sides of property



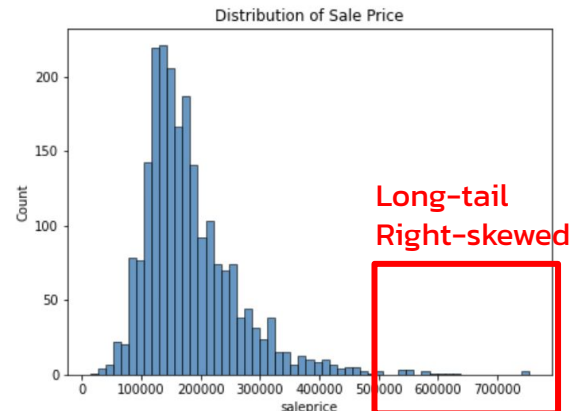
Frontage on
3 sides of property



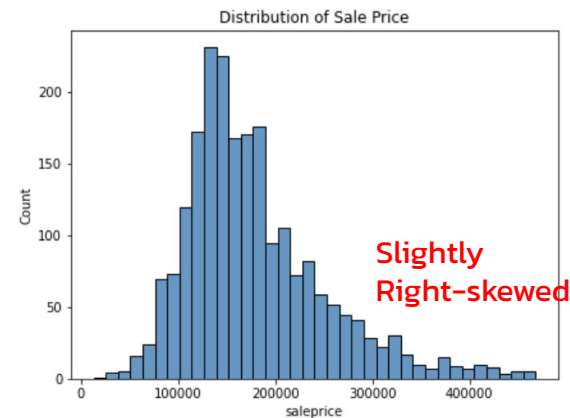
Inside Lot

Data Cleaning - Outliers

**Before
removing
outliers**



**After
removing
outliers**



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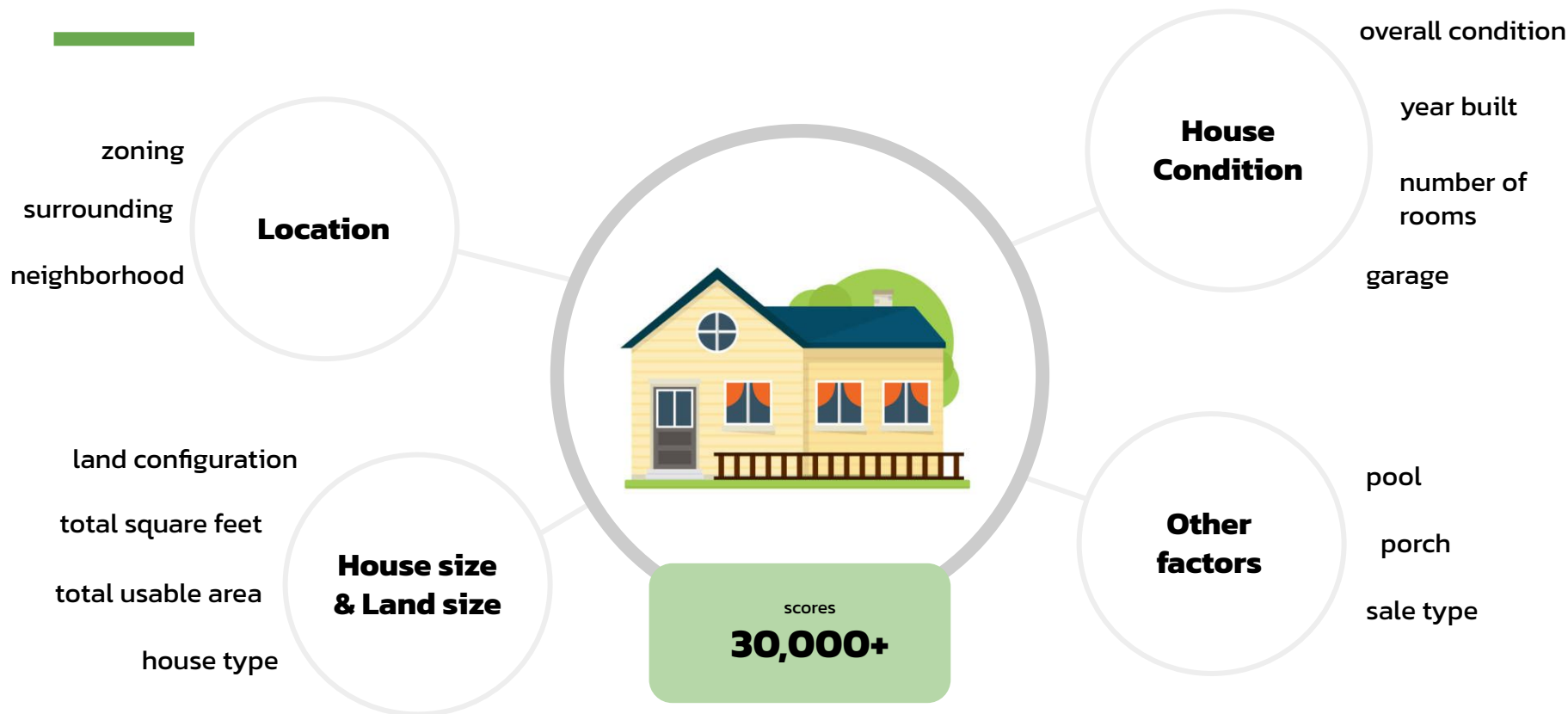
82 features

feature selection > correlation

Lasso and Ridge

LINEM assumption

Feature Selection



Feature Selection – Correlation Scores

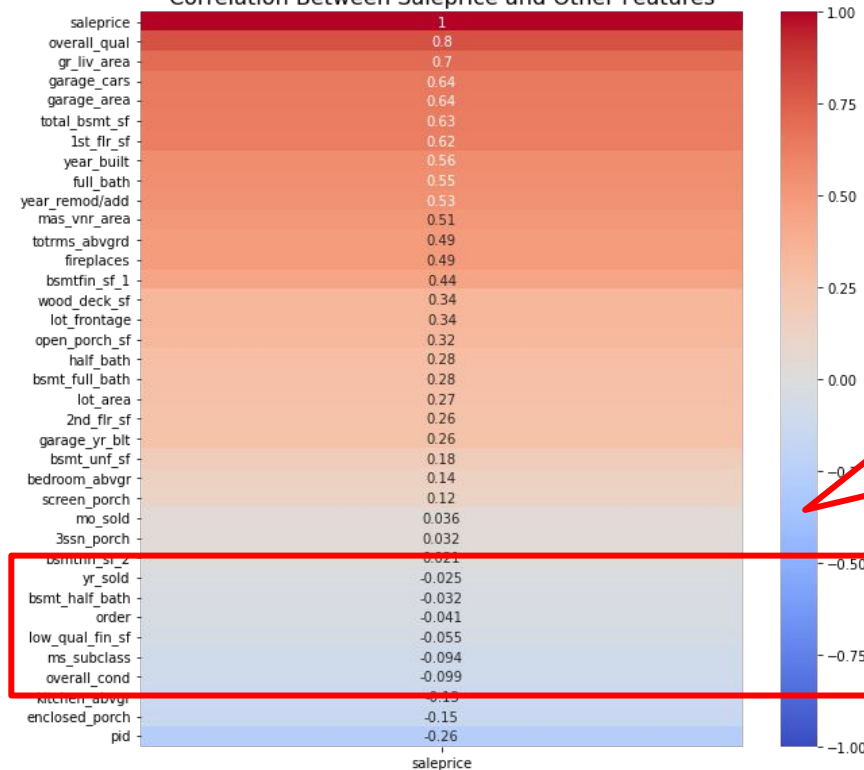
score improvement

1,000+

scores

29,000+

Correlation Between Saleprice and Other Features



Remove factors with correlation lower than 0.10 and higher than -0.1

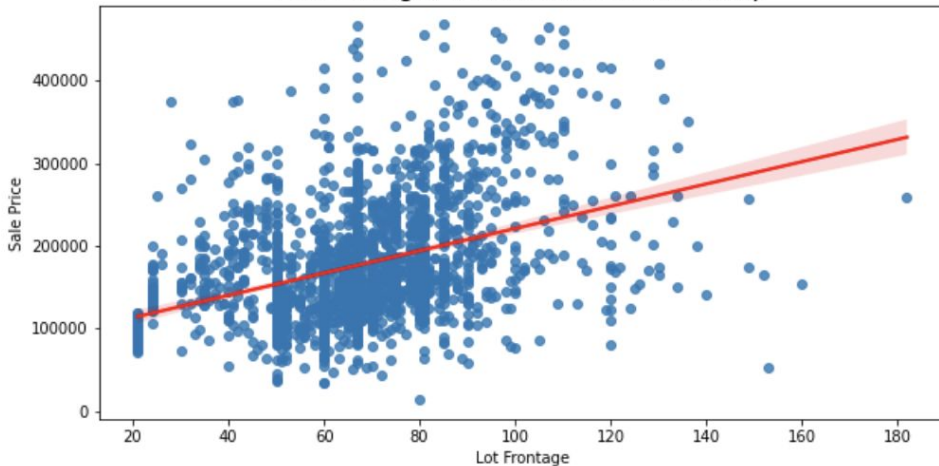
LINEM assumption

- L** linearity
- I** independence
- N** normally distributed errors
- E** equal variance
- M** multicollinearity

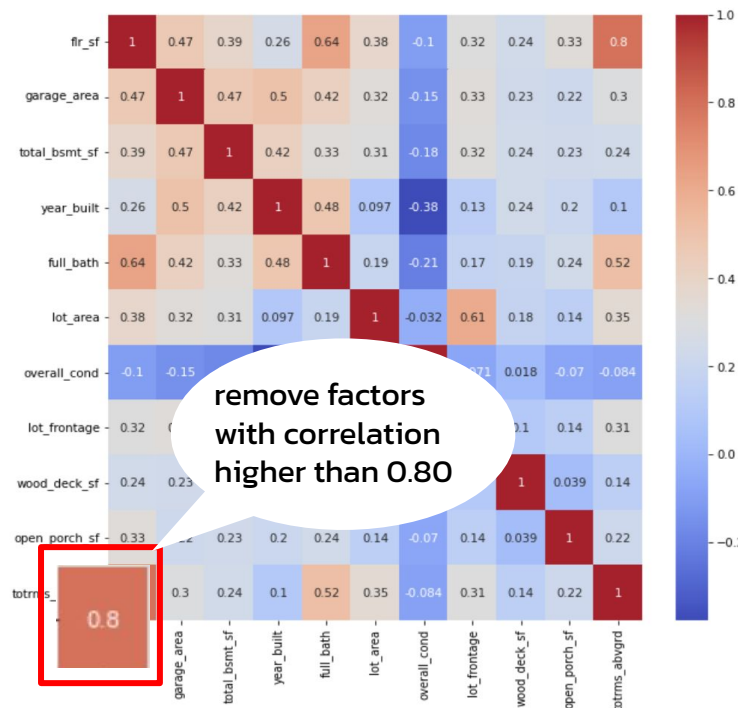
LINEM Assumption



Lot Frontage and Sale Price Relationship

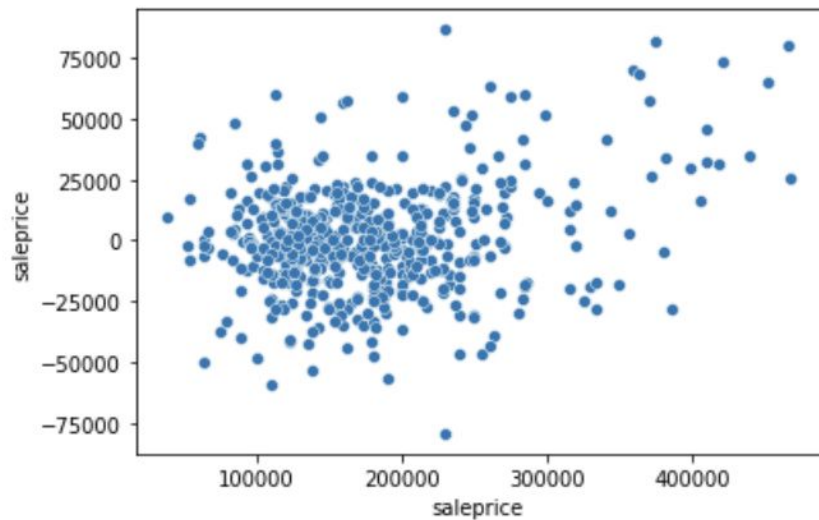


Linearity

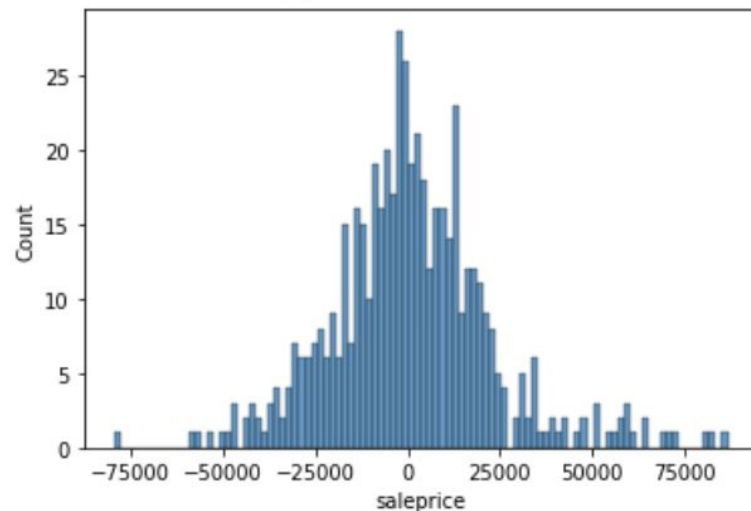


Multicollinearity

LINEM Assumption



Equal Variance of Errors



Normally Distributed Errors

Price Prediction – Final Model

Features

'flr_sf'	'ms_zoning'	'overall_cond'
'garage_area'	'ms_subclass'	'heating_qc'
'total_bsmt_sf'	'neighborhood'	'house_style'
'year_built'	'central_air'	'kitchen_qual'
'full_bath'	'condition_1'	'roof_matl'
'lot_area'	'bsmt_qual'	'functional'
'lot_frontage'	'paved_drive'	
'wood_deck_sf'	'exter_qual'	
'open_porch_sf'	'foundation'	

R Square

91 %

RMSE

28,099

Summary and revert back to problem statement

"Developing the best actionable & explainable price prediction model based on current available Ames housing dataset 2010"



- ▶ Equal & Affordable Housing
- ▶ Urban Planning
- ▶ Appraisal Price

Limitations of Current Model & Outlook on Future Models

Limitations

- ▶ Based on physical features
- ▶ Lack of contextual analysis/features e.g. proximity to schools, supermarkets, current supply and demand, etc.
- ▶ Data is out-of-date
- ▶ Less predictive power as compared to other supervised machine learning models

Outlook on Future Models

- ▶ More contextual features e.g. schools, hospitals, supermarkets, etc.
- ▶ Collect new data to keep the model up-to-date
- ▶ Price Prediction with other supervised learning models

Thank you!

Q & A

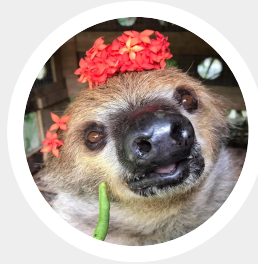
Meet the team!



Suwicha Saeling (Bird)

Seasoned Python Auditor

- Watch me out!



Pichaya Charoonpongsakdi (Anik)

The Russian Spy

- Don't mess with me!



Nong Lumyai the Great

Head of Emotional Support

- Love everyone to the moon and back! Kiss kiss <3

Let's make a better life for LUMYAI !

