Final Project

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Problem 1

let X = X2 and Y = Y2 that is

- a) P(X > x | Y > y) where x and y are the 3rd quartile and 1st quartile of x and y respectively.
- First find the 1st quantile of Y and P(Y > y)

```
x_3q <- quantile(X,.75)
y_1q <- quantile(Y,.25)
c(x_3q, y_1q)

## 75% 25%
## 11.5 12.5

p_ge_y <- length(Y[Y > y_1q]) / length(Y) # P(Y > y)
p_ge_y
```

[1] 0.75

- $P(X > x | Y > y) = P(X > x \cap Y > y)/P(Y > y)$ the numerator is the probability that both X and Y are above their respective quartiles.
- We see that P(Y > y) = 0.75 from above and using the intersect() function we can see how many values both operators in the intersection have in common:

```
x <- X[X > x_3q]
y <- Y[Y > y_1q]
p_x_and_y <- intersect(x, y)
p_x_and_y</pre>
```

[1] 12.6

- only one value of out 20 (value of 12.6) so $P(X > x \cap Y > y) = 1/20$
- Finally computing the conditional probability gives P(X > x | Y > y) =

```
(length(p_x_and_y)/20) / p_ge_y
```

[1] 0.0666667

- b) P(X > x, Y > y) this is the joint probability or the intersection
- This was calculated in a) and was denoted as 1/20
- c) P(X < x)|Y > y) that is what is P(X < x) given P(Y > y)
- $P(X < x)|Y > y) = P(X < x \cap Y > y)/P(Y > y)$ we found P(Y > y) = 0.75 earlier, now let's find the numerator.

```
x <- X[X < x_3q]
p_x_and_y <- intersect(x, y)
p_x_and_y</pre>
```

numeric(0)

- Thus P(X > x, Y > y) = 0
- In addition, make a table of counts as shown below:

• For this we compute the joint probabilities for each of the 4 boxes and add them up

```
x_1q <- quantile(X,.25)
y_3q <- quantile(Y,.75)

x1 <- X[X <= x_1q]
x2 <- X[X > x_1q]

y1 <- Y[Y <= y_3q]
y2 <- Y[Y > y_3q]

p_leq_x_leq_y <- intersect(x1, y1) # P(X <= 1st quartile, Y <= 3rd quartile)
p_leq_x_ge_y <- intersect(x1, y2) # P(X <= 1st quartile, Y > 3rd quartile)
p_ge_x_leq_y <- intersect(x2,y1) # P(X > 1st quartile, Y > 3rd quartile)
p_ge_x_ge_y <- intersect(x2,y2) # P(X > 1st quartile, Y > 3rd quartile)
p_leq_x_leq_y
```

```
## numeric(0)
p_leq_x_ge_y

## numeric(0)

p_ge_x_leq_y

## [1] 11.8 12.6 10.3

p_ge_x_ge_y
```

numeric(0)

• Populating the table gives

x/y	<=3rd quartile	> 3rd quartile	Total
<=1st quartile	0	0	0
> 1st quartile	3	0	3
Total	3	0	3

• Does splitting the training data in this fashion make them independent? Let A be the new variable counting those observations above the 1st quartile for X, and let B be the new variable counting those observations above the 1st quartile for Y. Does P(AB) = P(A)P(B)? Check mathematically, and then evaluate by running a Chi Square test for association

```
c(x_1q,y_1q) # 1st quartiles of X and Y

## 25% 25%
## 8.15 12.50

p_A <- length(X[X > x_1q]) / length(X)
p_B <- length(Y[Y > y_1q]) / length(Y)
p_AB <- length(intersect(X[X > x_1q], Y[Y > y_1q])) / 20
p_AB

## [1] 0.05

p_A * p_B
```

[1] 0.5625

```
p_AB == (p_A * p_B) # P(A)P(B)
```

```
## [1] FALSE
```

- We see that the variables are not independent by looking the values and equality above.
- Now using a Chi Squared test to test

```
dat <- data.frame(X,Y)
chisq <- chisq.test(dat)
chisq</pre>
```

```
##
## Pearson's Chi-squared test
##
## data: dat
## X-squared = 15.213, df = 19, p-value = 0.709
```

• Using the chi squared test, we see that the p-value is about 0.7. This means that the variables X and Y are not stastically significantly associated.

Problem 2

- You are to register for Kaggle.com (free) and compete in the House Prices: Advanced Regression Techniques competition. https://www.kaggle.com/c/house-prices-advanced-regression-techniques . I want you to do the following.
- 5 points. Descriptive and Inferential Statistics. Provide univariate descriptive statistics and appropriate plots for the training data set. Provide a scatterplot matrix for at least two of the independent variables and the dependent variable. Derive a correlation matrix for any THREE quantitative variables in the dataset. Test the hypotheses that the correlations between each pairwise set of variables is 0 and provide a 80% confidence interval. Discuss the meaning of your analysis. Would you be worried about familywise error? Why or why not?
- 5 points. Linear Algebra and Correlation. Invert your 3 x 3 correlation matrix from above. (This is known as the precision matrix and contains variance inflation factors on the diagonal.) Multiply the correlation matrix by the precision matrix, and then multiply the precision matrix by the correlation matrix. Conduct LU decomposition on the matrix.
- 5 points. Calculus-Based Probability & Statistics. Many times, it makes sense to fit a closed form distribution to data. Select a variable in the Kaggle.com training dataset that is skewed to the right, shift it so that the minimum value is absolutely above zero if necessary. Then load the MASS package and run fitdistr to fit an exponential probability density function. (See https://stat.ethz.ch/R-manual/R-devel/library/MASS/html/fitdistr.html). Find the optimal value of λ for this distribution, and then take 1000 samples from this exponential distribution using this value (e.g., rexp(1000, λ)). Plot a histogram and compare it with a histogram of your original variable. Using the exponential pdf, find the 5th and 95th percentiles using the cumulative distribution function (CDF). Also generate a 95% confidence interval from the empirical data, assuming normality. Finally, provide the empirical 5th percentile and 95th percentile of the data. Discuss.
- 10 points. Modeling. Build some type of multiple regression model and submit your model to the competition board. Provide your complete model summary and results with analysis. Report your Kaggle.com user name and score.

Load the data and examine it

```
household <- read.csv("all/train.csv")
dim(household)</pre>
```

[1] 1460 81

summary(household)

```
##
                        MSSubClass
          Id
                                         MSZoning
                                                       LotFrontage
##
    Min.
               1.0
                            : 20.0
                                      C (all): 10
                                                      Min.
                                                             : 21.00
                     Min.
##
    1st Qu.: 365.8
                      1st Qu.: 20.0
                                      F۷
                                                65
                                                      1st Qu.: 59.00
    Median : 730.5
                      Median: 50.0
                                                      Median: 69.00
                                      RH
                                                16
          : 730.5
                            : 56.9
                                                             : 70.05
##
    Mean
                     Mean
                                      RL
                                              :1151
                                                      Mean
    3rd Qu.:1095.2
                      3rd Qu.: 70.0
                                      RM
                                              : 218
                                                      3rd Qu.: 80.00
##
##
    Max.
                             :190.0
           :1460.0
                     Max.
                                                      Max.
                                                             :313.00
##
                                                      NA's
                                                              :259
##
       LotArea
                                               LotShape LandContour
                      Street
                                   Alley
                      Grvl:
                                  Grv1: 50
                                               IR1:484
                                                               63
##
    Min.
          : 1300
                              6
                                                         Bnk:
##
    1st Qu.:
             7554
                                  Pave: 41
                                               IR2: 41
                                                         HLS:
                                                               50
                      Pave:1454
##
    Median: 9478
                                  NA's:1369
                                               IR3: 10
                                                         Low:
                                                               36
##
    Mean
          : 10517
                                               Reg:925
                                                         Lvl:1311
    3rd Qu.: 11602
##
##
          :215245
    Max.
##
                                  LandSlope
##
     Utilities
                    LotConfig
                                               Neighborhood
                                                              Condition1
##
    AllPub: 1459
                  Corner: 263
                                  Gtl:1382
                                              NAmes :225
                                                                    :1260
                                                            Norm
##
    NoSeWa:
                  CulDSac: 94
                                  Mod: 65
                                              CollgCr:150
                                                            Feedr
                                                                       81
                                              OldTown:113
##
                  FR2
                            47
                                  Sev: 13
                                                            Artery:
                                                                       48
##
                  FR3
                                              Edwards:100
                                                                       26
                                                            RRAn
##
                  Inside:1052
                                              Somerst: 86
                                                            PosN
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##
                                              Gilbert: 79
                                                            RRAe
                                                                       11
##
                                              (Other):707
                                                            (Other):
                                                                       15
##
      Condition2
                     BldgType
                                    HouseStyle
                                                  OverallQual
                                  1Story :726
                                                        : 1.000
##
    Norm
           :1445
                   1Fam :1220
                                                 Min.
                                  2Story :445
##
    Feedr :
               6
                   2fmCon: 31
                                                 1st Qu.: 5.000
                   Duplex:
                                  1.5Fin :154
                                                Median : 6.000
##
    Artery:
               2
                            52
##
    PosN
               2
                   Twnhs:
                            43
                                  SLv1 : 65
                                                Mean
                                                        : 6.099
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    RRNn
               2
                   TwnhsE: 114
                                  SFoyer: 37
                                                 3rd Qu.: 7.000
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    PosA
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                                                 Max.
                                                        :10.000
               1
                                  (Other): 19
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    (Other):
               2
##
    OverallCond
                      YearBuilt
                                     YearRemodAdd
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    Min.
           :1.000
                    Min.
                            :1872
                                    Min.
                                           :1950
                                                    Flat
                                                          : 13
    1st Qu.:5.000
                    1st Qu.:1954
                                    1st Qu.:1967
                                                    Gable :1141
##
##
    Median :5.000
                    Median:1973
                                    Median:1994
                                                    Gambrel: 11
##
    Mean
           :5.575
                    Mean
                            :1971
                                    Mean
                                            :1985
                                                           : 286
                                                    Hip
    3rd Qu.:6.000
                    3rd Qu.:2000
                                    3rd Qu.:2004
                                                                7
                                                    Mansard:
                                                                2
##
    Max.
           :9.000
                    Max.
                            :2010
                                    Max.
                                            :2010
                                                    Shed
##
##
       RoofMatl
                    Exterior1st
                                   Exterior2nd
                                                   MasVnrType
                                                                 MasVnrArea
    CompShg: 1434
                   VinylSd:515
                                  VinylSd:504
                                                BrkCmn: 15
##
                                                               Min.
                                                                     :
    Tar&Grv: 11
                   HdBoard:222
                                  MetalSd:214
##
                                                BrkFace:445
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                                                                           0.0
```

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WdShngl:
                   MetalSd:220
                                  HdBoard:207
                                                 None
                                                        :864
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               6
##
    WdShake:
                   Wd Sdng:206
                                  Wd Sdng:197
                                                 Stone :128
                                                               Mean
                                                                      : 103.7
               5
                                                               3rd Qu.: 166.0
##
    ClyTile:
               1
                   Plywood:108
                                  Plywood:142
                                                 NA's
  Membran:
                   CemntBd: 61
                                  CmentBd: 60
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               1
    (Other):
               2
                    (Other):128
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##
    ExterQual ExterCond Foundation BsmtQual
                                                              BsmtExposure
                                                  BsmtCond
    Ex: 52
                         BrkTil:146
                                      Ex :121
                                                                  :221
              Ex:
                    3
                                                  Fa :
                                                         45
                                                              Αv
    Fa: 14
                                      Fa : 35
                                                              Gd
                                                                  :134
##
              Fa:
                   28
                         CBlock:634
                                                  Gd
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                                                         65
##
    Gd:488
              Gd: 146
                         PConc:647
                                      Gd
                                          :618
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                                                          2
                                                              Mn
                                                                  :114
##
    TA:906
                         Slab : 24
                                          :649
                                                              No
                                                                   :953
              Po:
                    1
                                      TA
                                                  TA
                                                     :1311
##
              TA:1282
                         Stone: 6
                                      NA's: 37
                                                  NA's:
                                                         37
                                                              NA's: 38
##
                         Wood : 3
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                                                   BsmtFinSF2
##
    BsmtFinType1
                                   BsmtFinType2
                   BsmtFinSF1
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    ALQ:220
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                                   ALQ: 19
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    BLQ :148
                 1st Qu.:
                             0.0
                                   BLQ :
                                          33
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##
    GLQ :418
                 Median : 383.5
                                   GLQ :
                                          14
                                                            0.00
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##
    LwQ: 74
                 Mean
                        : 443.6
                                   LwQ:
                                          46
                                                 Mean
                                                           46.55
##
    Rec :133
                 3rd Qu.: 712.2
                                   Rec: 54
                                                            0.00
                                                 3rd Qu.:
##
    Unf :430
                 Max.
                         :5644.0
                                   Unf :1256
                                                 Max.
                                                        :1474.00
                                   NA's: 38
##
    NA's: 37
##
      BsmtUnfSF
                      TotalBsmtSF
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                                                     HeatingQC CentralAir
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                                                               N: 95
    Min.
               0.0
                     Min.
                                 0.0
                                       Floor:
                                                 1
    1st Qu.: 223.0
                     1st Qu.: 795.8
                                       GasA :1428
                                                     Fa: 49
                                                               Y:1365
##
##
    Median : 477.5
                     Median: 991.5
                                                     Gd:241
                                       GasW :
                                                18
    Mean
           : 567.2
                     Mean
                             :1057.4
                                       Grav:
                                                 7
                                                     Po: 1
##
    3rd Qu.: 808.0
                     3rd Qu.:1298.2
                                       OthW :
                                                 2
                                                     TA:428
##
           :2336.0
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                                       Wall:
    Max.
                     Max.
##
    Electrical
                   X1stFlrSF
                                   X2ndFlrSF
                                                  LowQualFinSF
##
    FuseA: 94
                 Min.
                        : 334
                                 Min.
                                        :
                                            0
                                                 Min.
                                                        : 0.000
##
    FuseF:
            27
                  1st Qu.: 882
                                 1st Qu.:
                                             0
                                                 1st Qu.:
                                                           0.000
##
    FuseP:
                 Median:1087
                                 Median:
                                             0
                                                 Median :
                                                           0.000
##
                                        : 347
                                                 Mean
                                                           5.845
    Mix :
                 Mean
                         :1163
                                 Mean
                                                        :
             1
##
    SBrkr:1334
                  3rd Qu.:1391
                                 3rd Qu.: 728
                                                 3rd Qu.:
                                                           0.000
                 Max.
##
    NA's :
                         :4692
                                 Max.
                                        :2065
                                                 Max.
                                                        :572.000
##
##
      GrLivArea
                    BsmtFullBath
                                      BsmtHalfBath
                                                           FullBath
##
    Min.
          : 334
                   Min.
                           :0.0000
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                                                               :0.000
##
    1st Qu.:1130
                   1st Qu.:0.0000
                                     1st Qu.:0.00000
                                                        1st Qu.:1.000
    Median:1464
                   Median :0.0000
                                     Median :0.00000
                                                        Median :2.000
##
    Mean
          : 1515
                   Mean
                           :0.4253
                                     Mean
                                             :0.05753
                                                        Mean
                                                               :1.565
    3rd Qu.:1777
                   3rd Qu.:1.0000
                                     3rd Qu.:0.00000
                                                        3rd Qu.:2.000
##
##
    Max.
           :5642
                           :3.0000
                   Max.
                                     Max.
                                            :2.00000
                                                        Max.
                                                               :3.000
##
##
       HalfBath
                       BedroomAbvGr
                                       KitchenAbvGr
                                                       KitchenQual
                             :0.000
##
    Min.
           :0.0000
                     Min.
                                      Min.
                                              :0.000
                                                       Ex:100
##
    1st Qu.:0.0000
                      1st Qu.:2.000
                                      1st Qu.:1.000
                                                       Fa: 39
    Median :0.0000
                     Median :3.000
                                      Median :1.000
                                                       Gd:586
##
    Mean
           :0.3829
                      Mean
                             :2.866
                                      Mean
                                              :1.047
                                                       TA:735
##
    3rd Qu.:1.0000
                      3rd Qu.:3.000
                                      3rd Qu.:1.000
##
           :2.0000
                             :8.000
                                              :3.000
    Max.
                     Max.
                                      Max.
##
##
     TotRmsAbvGrd
                     Functional
                                    Fireplaces
                                                   FireplaceQu
                                                                 GarageType
```

```
Mai1: 14
## Min. : 2.000
                              Min. :0.000
                                             Ex : 24
                                                        2Types: 6
  1st Qu.: 5.000
                   Maj2:
                         5
                              1st Qu.:0.000
                                             Fa : 33
                                                        Attchd:870
                                                        Basment: 19
## Median : 6.000
                   Min1: 31
                              Median :1.000
                                             Gd :380
## Mean : 6.518
                   Min2: 34
                                             Po : 20
                              Mean
                                   :0.613
                                                        BuiltIn: 88
                                             TA :313
   3rd Qu.: 7.000
                   Mod: 15
                              3rd Qu.:1.000
                                                        CarPort: 9
##
  Max. :14.000
                   Sev :
                         1
                              Max. :3.000
                                             NA's:690
                                                        Detchd:387
##
                   Typ: 1360
                                                        NA's : 81
##
                 GarageFinish
    GarageYrBlt
                              GarageCars
                                              GarageArea
                                                            GarageQual
##
   Min. :1900
                 Fin :352
                             Min. :0.000
                                            Min. :
                                                      0.0
                                                            Ex : 3
##
   1st Qu.:1961
                 RFn :422
                             1st Qu.:1.000
                                                            Fa : 48
                                            1st Qu.: 334.5
  Median:1980
                 Unf :605
                             Median :2.000
                                            Median : 480.0
                                                            Gd: 14
                                                            Po :
##
  Mean :1979
                 NA's: 81
                             Mean :1.767
                                            Mean : 473.0
   3rd Qu.:2002
                             3rd Qu.:2.000
                                            3rd Qu.: 576.0
                                                            TA:1311
                                                            NA's: 81
##
  Max. :2010
                             Max. :4.000
                                            Max.
                                                 :1418.0
##
   NA's
          :81
##
   GarageCond PavedDrive
                         WoodDeckSF
                                         OpenPorchSF
                                                        EnclosedPorch
##
   Ex : 2
              N: 90
                        Min. : 0.00
                                        Min. : 0.00
                                                        Min. : 0.00
##
   Fa : 35
              P: 30
                         1st Qu.: 0.00
                                       1st Qu.: 0.00
                                                        1st Qu.: 0.00
##
   Gd: 9
              Y:1340
                        Median: 0.00
                                       Median : 25.00
                                                        Median: 0.00
   Po : 7
##
                        Mean : 94.24
                                        Mean : 46.66
                                                        Mean : 21.95
##
   TA:1326
                        3rd Qu.:168.00
                                        3rd Qu.: 68.00
                                                        3rd Qu.: 0.00
   NA's: 81
                        Max. :857.00
                                        Max. :547.00
                                                        Max. :552.00
##
##
     X3SsnPorch
                    ScreenPorch
                                      PoolArea
                                                    PoolQC
                                                   Ex :
##
         : 0.00
                   Min. : 0.00
                                 Min. : 0.000
  Min.
                                  1st Qu.: 0.000
   1st Qu.: 0.00
                   1st Qu.: 0.00
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##
   Median: 0.00
                   Median: 0.00
                                   Median : 0.000
                                                    Gd :
   Mean : 3.41
                   Mean : 15.06
                                  Mean : 2.759
                                                   NA's:1453
   3rd Qu.: 0.00
                   3rd Qu.: 0.00
                                   3rd Qu.: 0.000
   Max. :508.00
                         :480.00
                   Max.
                                  Max. :738.000
##
##
     Fence
               MiscFeature
                             MiscVal
                                                MoSold
   GdPrv: 59
               Gar2:
                      2
                          Min. :
                                     0.00
                                            Min. : 1.000
   GdWo : 54
                       2
                          1st Qu.:
                                     0.00
                                            1st Qu.: 5.000
               Othr:
##
   MnPrv: 157
               Shed: 49
                          Median :
                                     0.00
                                            Median : 6.000
   MnWw : 11
                                            Mean : 6.322
               TenC:
                          Mean
                                    43.49
                       1
##
   NA's :1179
               NA's:1406
                          3rd Qu.:
                                     0.00
                                            3rd Qu.: 8.000
##
                          Max. :15500.00
                                            Max. :12.000
##
##
       YrSold
                    SaleType
                               SaleCondition
                                               SalePrice
          :2006
                        :1267
                               Abnorml: 101
                                             Min. : 34900
   Min.
                 WD
##
   1st Qu.:2007
                        : 122
                               AdjLand: 4
                                             1st Qu.:129975
                 New
   Median:2008
                          43
                               Alloca: 12
                                             Median: 163000
                 COD
                        :
##
   Mean :2008
                           9
                 ConLD :
                               Family: 20
                                             Mean :180921
                               Normal:1198
   3rd Qu.:2009
                 ConLI :
                           5
                                             3rd Qu.:214000
##
   Max. :2010
                 ConLw :
                           5
                               Partial: 125
                                             Max.
                                                   :755000
##
                 (Other):
```

str(household)

```
## 'data.frame':
                  1460 obs. of 81 variables:
## $ Id
                  : int 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
## $ MSSubClass : int 60 20 60 70 60 50 20 60 50 190 ...
## $ MSZoning : Factor w/ 5 levels "C (all)", "FV", ...: 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 5 4 ...
```

```
$ LotFrontage : int 65 80 68 60 84 85 75 NA 51 50 ...
## $ LotArea
                  : int 8450 9600 11250 9550 14260 14115 10084 10382 6120 7420 ...
## $ Street
                   : Factor w/ 2 levels "Grv1", "Pave": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
                   : Factor w/ 2 levels "Grvl", "Pave": NA ...
## $ Alley
   $ LotShape
                   : Factor w/ 4 levels "IR1", "IR2", "IR3", ...: 4 4 1 1 1 1 4 1 4 4 ....
## $ LandContour : Factor w/ 4 levels "Bnk", "HLS", "Low", ..: 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 ...
                  : Factor w/ 2 levels "AllPub", "NoSeWa": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 . . .
## $ Utilities
                   : Factor w/ 5 levels "Corner", "CulDSac", ...: 5 3 5 1 3 5 5 1 5 1 ...
##
   $ LotConfig
##
   $ LandSlope
                   : Factor w/ 3 levels "Gtl", "Mod", "Sev": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ Neighborhood : Factor w/ 25 levels "Blmngtn", "Blueste",..: 6 25 6 7 14 12 21 17 18 4 ...
## $ Condition1
                  : Factor w/ 9 levels "Artery", "Feedr", ...: 3 2 3 3 3 3 5 1 1 ...
                   : Factor w/ 8 levels "Artery", "Feedr", ...: 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 1 ....
##
   $ Condition2
   $ BldgType
                   : Factor w/ 5 levels "1Fam", "2fmCon", ...: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 ....
## $ HouseStyle
                  : Factor w/ 8 levels "1.5Fin", "1.5Unf", ...: 6 3 6 6 6 1 3 6 1 2 ...
## $ OverallQual : int 7 6 7 7 8 5 8 7 7 5 ...
##
   $ OverallCond : int
                         5855555656...
                  : int 2003 1976 2001 1915 2000 1993 2004 1973 1931 1939 ...
   $ YearBuilt
## $ YearRemodAdd : int 2003 1976 2002 1970 2000 1995 2005 1973 1950 1950 ...
                  : Factor w/ 6 levels "Flat", "Gable", ...: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
## $ RoofStyle
## $ RoofMatl
                   : Factor w/ 8 levels "ClyTile", "CompShg",..: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
## $ Exterior1st : Factor w/ 15 levels "AsbShng", "AsphShn",..: 13 9 13 14 13 13 13 7 4 9 ...
## $ Exterior2nd : Factor w/ 16 levels "AsbShng", "AsphShn", ...: 14 9 14 16 14 14 14 7 16 9 ...
                  : Factor w/ 4 levels "BrkCmn", "BrkFace", ...: 2 3 2 3 2 3 4 4 3 3 ...
   $ MasVnrType
##
                  : int 196 0 162 0 350 0 186 240 0 0 ...
##
   $ MasVnrArea
## $ ExterQual
                  : Factor w/ 4 levels "Ex", "Fa", "Gd", ...: 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 4 4 ...
                   : Factor w/ 5 levels "Ex", "Fa", "Gd", ...: 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 ...
## $ ExterCond
## $ Foundation
                  : Factor w/ 6 levels "BrkTil", "CBlock", ...: 3 2 3 1 3 6 3 2 1 1 ...
                   : Factor w/ 4 levels "Ex", "Fa", "Gd", ...: 3 3 3 4 3 3 1 3 4 4 ...
   $ BsmtQual
## $ BsmtCond
                   : Factor w/ 4 levels "Fa", "Gd", "Po", ...: 4 4 4 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 ...
   \ BsmtExposure : Factor w/ 4 levels "Av", "Gd", "Mn", ...: 4 2 3 4 1 4 1 3 4 4 ....
##
   $ BsmtFinType1 : Factor w/ 6 levels "ALQ", "BLQ", "GLQ", ...: 3 1 3 1 3 3 3 1 6 3 ...
##
   $ BsmtFinSF1
                 : int 706 978 486 216 655 732 1369 859 0 851 ...
  $ BsmtFinType2 : Factor w/ 6 levels "ALQ", "BLQ", "GLQ", ... 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 ...
                 : int 0000003200...
## $ BsmtFinSF2
##
   $ BsmtUnfSF
                         150 284 434 540 490 64 317 216 952 140 ...
## $ TotalBsmtSF : int 856 1262 920 756 1145 796 1686 1107 952 991 ...
## $ Heating
                   : Factor w/ 6 levels "Floor", "GasA", ...: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
## $ HeatingQC
                   : Factor w/ 5 levels "Ex", "Fa", "Gd", ...: 1 1 1 3 1 1 1 1 3 1 ....
                   : Factor w/ 2 levels "N", "Y": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
   $ CentralAir
## $ Electrical
                  : Factor w/ 5 levels "FuseA", "FuseF", ...: 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 2 5 ...
                  : int 856 1262 920 961 1145 796 1694 1107 1022 1077 ...
## $ X1stFlrSF
## $ X2ndFlrSF
                   : int 854 0 866 756 1053 566 0 983 752 0 ...
   $ LowQualFinSF : int 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
                 : int 1710 1262 1786 1717 2198 1362 1694 2090 1774 1077 ...
## $ GrLivArea
## $ BsmtFullBath : int 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 ...
   $ BsmtHalfBath : int 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
##
   $ FullBath
                  : int 2 2 2 1 2 1 2 2 2 1 ...
## $ HalfBath
                   : int 1010110100...
## $ BedroomAbvGr : int 3 3 3 3 4 1 3 3 2 2 ...
   $ KitchenAbvGr : int 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 ...
## $ KitchenQual : Factor w/ 4 levels "Ex", "Fa", "Gd",...: 3 4 3 3 3 4 3 4 4 4 ...
## $ TotRmsAbvGrd : int 8 6 6 7 9 5 7 7 8 5 ...
## $ Functional
                 : Factor w/ 7 levels "Maj1", "Maj2", ...: 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 3 7 ...
## $ Fireplaces
                 : int 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 2 2 2 ...
```

```
$ FireplaceQu : Factor w/ 5 levels "Ex", "Fa", "Gd", ...: NA 5 5 3 5 NA 3 5 5 5 ...
##
                 : Factor w/ 6 levels "2Types", "Attchd", ...: 2 2 2 6 2 2 2 6 2 ...
   $ GarageType
##
   $ GarageYrBlt : int 2003 1976 2001 1998 2000 1993 2004 1973 1931 1939 ...
   $ GarageFinish : Factor w/ 3 levels "Fin", "RFn", "Unf": 2 2 2 3 2 3 2 2 3 2 ...
##
##
   $ GarageCars
                 : int
                       2 2 2 3 3 2 2 2 2 1 ...
##
   $ GarageArea
                 : int 548 460 608 642 836 480 636 484 468 205 ...
                 : Factor w/ 5 levels "Ex", "Fa", "Gd", ...: 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 2 3 ...
   $ GarageQual
                 : Factor w/ 5 levels "Ex", "Fa", "Gd", ...: 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 ...
##
   $ GarageCond
##
   $ PavedDrive
                 : Factor w/ 3 levels "N", "P", "Y": 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 ...
##
                 : int 0 298 0 0 192 40 255 235 90 0 ...
   $ WoodDeckSF
   $ OpenPorchSF
                : int
                       61 0 42 35 84 30 57 204 0 4 ...
                       0 0 0 272 0 0 0 228 205 0 ...
##
   $ EnclosedPorch: int
                       0 0 0 0 0 320 0 0 0 0 ...
   $ X3SsnPorch
                 : int
##
                       0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
   $ ScreenPorch : int
##
   $ PoolArea
                 : int 0000000000...
##
   $ PoolQC
                 ##
   $ Fence
                 $ MiscFeature
                : Factor w/ 4 levels "Gar2", "Othr", ...: NA NA NA NA NA 3 NA 3 NA 3 NA ...
##
   $ MiscVal
                 : int 0 0 0 0 0 700 0 350 0 0 ...
                       2 5 9 2 12 10 8 11 4 1 ...
##
   $ MoSold
                 : int
##
   $ YrSold
                       2008 2007 2008 2006 2008 2009 2007 2009 2008 2008 ...
                 : Factor w/ 9 levels "COD", "ConLD", ...: 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 ...
   $ SaleType
   $ SaleCondition: Factor w/ 6 levels "Abnorml", "AdjLand",..: 5 5 5 1 5 5 5 5 1 5 ...
##
   $ SalePrice
                 : int 208500 181500 223500 140000 250000 143000 307000 200000 129900 118000 ...
```

head(household)

```
Id MSSubClass MSZoning LotFrontage LotArea Street Alley LotShape
## 1
     1
                 60
                          RL
                                       65
                                              8450
                                                     Pave
                                                            <NA>
                                                                       Reg
## 2
     2
                 20
                          RL
                                       80
                                              9600
                                                     Pave
                                                            <NA>
                                                                       Reg
## 3
     3
                 60
                          RL
                                       68
                                             11250
                                                     Pave
                                                            <NA>
                                                                       IR1
## 4
      4
                 70
                          RL
                                       60
                                              9550
                                                     Pave
                                                            <NA>
                                                                       IR1
## 5
      5
                 60
                          R.L.
                                       84
                                             14260
                                                     Pave
                                                            <NA>
                                                                       IR1
## 6
                 50
                          RL
                                       85
                                             14115
                                                     Pave
                                                           <NA>
     LandContour Utilities LotConfig LandSlope Neighborhood Condition1
## 1
             Lvl
                     AllPub
                                Inside
                                              Gtl
                                                       CollgCr
                                                                       Norm
## 2
             Lvl
                     AllPub
                                   FR2
                                              Gtl
                                                       Veenker
                                                                      Feedr
                                Inside
                                              Gtl
## 3
             Lvl
                     AllPub
                                                       CollgCr
                                                                       Norm
## 4
             Lvl
                     AllPub
                                Corner
                                              Gtl
                                                       Crawfor
                                                                       Norm
## 5
             Lvl
                     AllPub
                                   FR2
                                              Gtl
                                                       NoRidge
                                                                       Norm
## 6
             Lvl
                     AllPub
                                Inside
                                              Gtl
                                                       Mitchel
                                                                       Norm
     Condition2 BldgType HouseStyle OverallQual OverallCond YearBuilt
## 1
                                                 7
                                                                      2003
           Norm
                     1Fam
                               2Story
                                                              5
## 2
           Norm
                     1Fam
                               1Story
                                                 6
                                                              8
                                                                      1976
## 3
                                                 7
                                                              5
           Norm
                     1Fam
                               2Story
                                                                      2001
## 4
           Norm
                                                 7
                                                              5
                                                                      1915
                     1Fam
                               2Story
## 5
           Norm
                     1Fam
                               2Story
                                                 8
                                                              5
                                                                      2000
                                                 5
                                                              5
## 6
           Norm
                     1Fam
                               1.5Fin
                                                                      1993
     YearRemodAdd RoofStyle RoofMatl Exterior1st Exterior2nd MasVnrType
## 1
             2003
                       Gable
                               CompShg
                                            VinylSd
                                                         VinylSd
                                                                    BrkFace
## 2
              1976
                       Gable
                               CompShg
                                            MetalSd
                                                         MetalSd
                                                                        None
                                                                    BrkFace
## 3
             2002
                       Gable
                               CompShg
                                            VinylSd
                                                        VinylSd
## 4
             1970
                       Gable
                               CompShg
                                            Wd Sdng
                                                         Wd Shng
                                                                        None
             2000
                                                        VinylSd
## 5
                       Gable CompShg
                                            VinylSd
                                                                    BrkFace
```

##	6	1995	Gable	CompShg	Vinyl	Sd V:	inylSd	None
##		MasVnrArea E	xterQual Ext	cerCond F	oundation	BsmtQua:	l BsmtCon	d BsmtExposure
##	1	196	Gd	TA	PConc	Go	i T.	A No
##	2	0	TA	TA	CBlock	Go	d T.	A Gd
##	3	162	Gd	TA	PConc	Go	i T.	A Mn
##	4	0	TA	TA	BrkTil	T	A G	d No
##	5	350	Gd	TA	PConc	Go	i T.	A Av
##	6	0	TA	TA	Wood			
##		BsmtFinType1		BsmtFinT	-			
##	1	GLQ			Unf	0	150	856
##	2	ALQ			Unf	0	284	1262
##	3	GLQ			Unf	0	434	920
##	4	ALQ			Unf	0	540	756
##	5	GLQ			Unf	0	490	1145
##	6	GLQ			Unf	0	64	796
##	_	_	_					F LowQualFinSF
##	1	GasA	Ex	Y	SBrkr	856	85	
##	2	GasA	Ex	Y	SBrkr SBrkr	1262		0 0
	3	GasA	Ex Gd	Y Y	SBrkr	920 961	86 75	
##	5	GasA GasA	Ex	Y	SBrkr	1145	105	
##		GasA	Ex	Y	SBrkr	796	56	
##	O	GrLivArea Bs		=				
##	1	1710	meruiibach i 1	Smillatibe	0	2	1	3
##	2	1262	0		1	2	0	3
##	3	1786	1		0	2	1	3
##	4	1717	1		0	1	0	3
##	5	2198	1		0	2	1	4
##	6	1362	1		0	1	1	1
##			KitchenQual	L TotRmsAl	bvGrd Fun		- Fireplace	s FireplaceQu
##	1	1			8	Тур		< AN>
##	2	1	. TA	A	6	Тур		1 TA
##	3	1	Gd	i	6	Тур		1 TA
##	4	1	Gd	i	7	Тур		1 Gd
##	5	1	Go	i	9	Тур		1 TA
##	6	1	. T <i>I</i>	A	5	Тур	(O <na></na>
##		GarageType G	arageYrBlt (GarageFin	ish Garag	eCars Ga	rageArea	GarageQual
##		Attchd	2003		RFn	2	548	TA
##	2	Attchd	1976		RFn	2	460	TA
	3	Attchd	2001		RFn	2	608	TA
	4	Detchd	1998		Unf	3	642	TA
##	5	Attchd	2000		RFn	3	836	TA
##	6	Attchd	1993		Unf	2	480	TA
##		GarageCond P			OpenPorc			
##		TA	Υ	0		61	0	0
##		TA	Y	298		0	0	0
	3	TA	Y	0		42	0	0
##	4	TA	Y	0		35	272	0
##	5	TA	Y	192		84	0	0
##	Ö	TA	Y Pool Aron Poo	40	o MicaFa-	30	O OPoM Leve	320
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##		0		<na> <na></na></na>		<na></na>	0	5 2007
##		0		<na> <na></na></na>		<na></na>	0	9 2008
ππ	J	U	0 `	·MA /MA		'MU'	J	2000

```
## 4
                0
                          0
                              <NA>
                                     <NA>
                                                  <NA>
                                                              0
                                                                      2
                                                                          2006
## 5
                0
                          0
                              <NA>
                                    <NA>
                                                  <NA>
                                                              0
                                                                     12
                                                                          2008
## 6
                              <NA> MnPrv
                                                  Shed
                0
                                                            700
                                                                     10
                                                                          2009
     SaleType SaleCondition SalePrice
##
## 1
           WD
                       Normal
                                  208500
## 2
           WD
                       Normal
                                  181500
## 3
           WD
                       Normal
                                  223500
## 4
           WD
                      Abnorml
                                  140000
## 5
           WD
                       Normal
                                  250000
## 6
           WD
                       Normal
                                  143000
```

Descripitive Statistics

- Let's look at some plots and see the trend of the data more closely. We'll start with plotting and visualizing the quantative variables such as LotArea, LotFrontage, MasVnrArea, and SalePrice to see how the data behave.
- Note the dependant variable is the SalePrice a continous numerical variable.

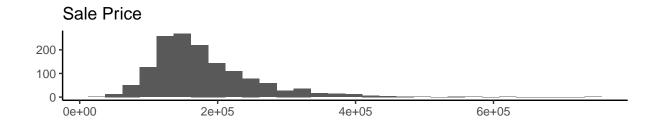
```
library(ggplot2)
library(gridExtra)
library(dplyr)
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
  The following object is masked from 'package:gridExtra':
##
##
       combine
  The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
##
       filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##
       intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
library(glmnet)
## Loading required package: Matrix
## Loading required package: foreach
## Loaded glmnet 2.0-16
library(FeatureHashing)
```

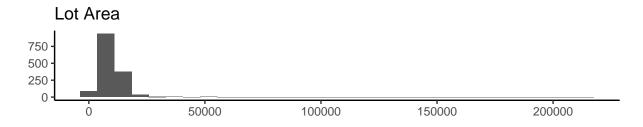
```
max(household$SalePrice)
```

[1] 755000

```
# quantative variable plots
saleprice_plot <- ggplot(household, aes(SalePrice)) +</pre>
  geom_histogram() +
  ggtitle("Sale Price") +
  xlab("") + ylab("") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme_classic()
lotarea_plot <- ggplot(household, aes(LotArea)) +</pre>
  geom_histogram() +
  ggtitle("Lot Area") +
  xlab("") + ylab("") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme_classic()
totalbsmtsf_plot <- ggplot(household, aes(TotalBsmtSF)) +</pre>
  geom histogram() +
  ggtitle("Total Basement Square Feet") +
  xlab("") + ylab("") +
 theme_bw() +
  theme_classic()
grid.arrange(saleprice_plot, lotarea_plot,totalbsmtsf_plot)
```

```
## `stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
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```

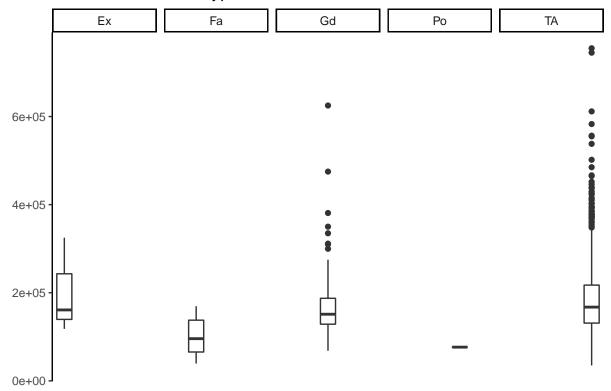




Total Basement Square Feet

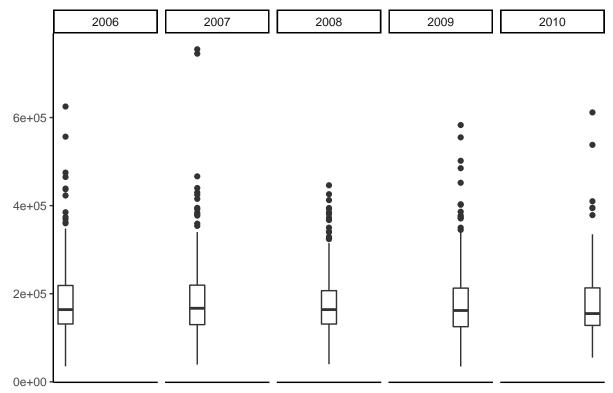


Sale Price for each Type of External Condition

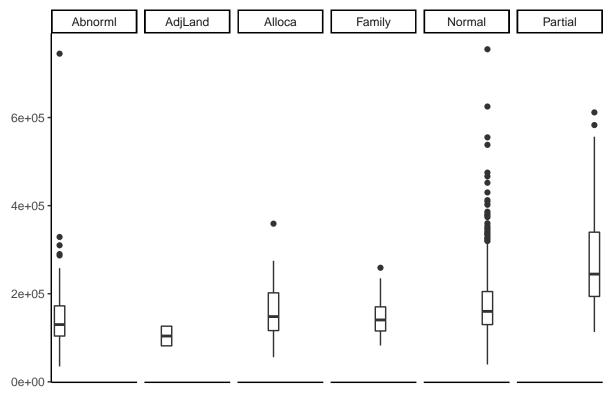


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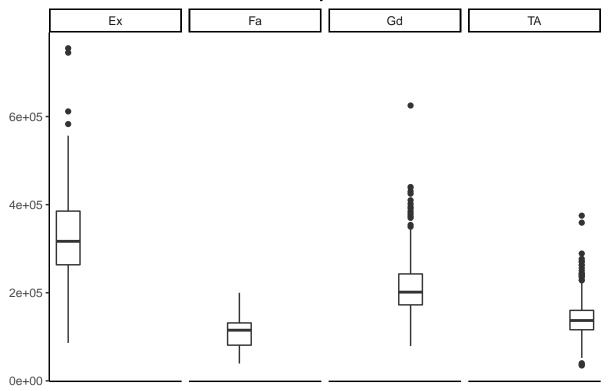
Sale Price Based on Year Sold



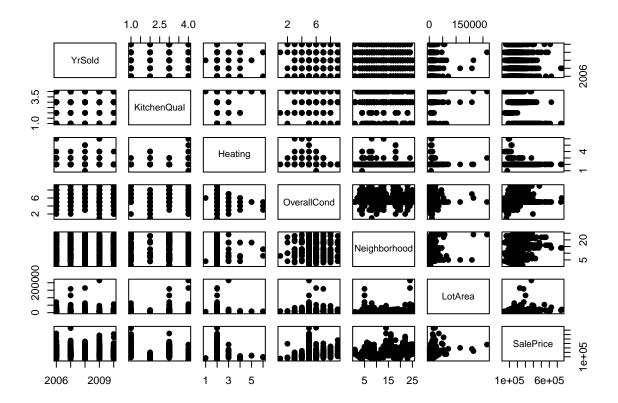
Sale Price Based on Sale Condition



Sale Price Based on Kitchen Quality



- Plots show that the Sale price is quite left skewed and the lot area is heavily left-skewed; good for analysis later.
- We also see that the median price of sold homes is about the same for each year. For normal sale conditions, there are heavy outliers and that could make a influence in our model and analysis. The same goes for fairly decent homes in okay external condition.
- Let's create a scatterplot matrix using the pairs() function and see the visualization. I will look at the most common things I feel are most important in looking for a place to call home such as Year sold, kitchen quality, heating, overall condition, neighborhood, lot area, and sale price.



• Let's also examine the correlation matrix as well for 3 quantative variables:

a) Sale Price: Continousb) Garage Area: Continous

c) Lot Area: Continous

cor_matrix <- cor(as.matrix(household[, c("SalePrice", "LotArea", "GarageArea")]))
cor_matrix</pre>

```
## SalePrice LotArea GarageArea
## SalePrice 1.0000000 0.2638434 0.6234314
## LotArea 0.2638434 1.0000000 0.1804028
## GarageArea 0.6234314 0.1804028 1.0000000
```

- With our 3x3 matrix, let's do a 80% confidence interval using the hypothesis below:
- a) Null hypothesis: cor(x,y) = 0 that is there is not correlation between the two variables in question
- b) Alternative hypothesis: $cor(x,y) \neq 0$ that is there is some correlation big or small between the two variables.

```
##
##
   Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## data: household$SalePrice and household$LotArea
## t = 10.445, df = 1458, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
## 80 percent confidence interval:
## 0.2323391 0.2947946
## sample estimates:
         cor
## 0.2638434
cor.test(household$LotArea, household$GarageArea, method = "pearson", conf.level = 0.8)
##
##
   Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## data: household$LotArea and household$GarageArea
## t = 7.0034, df = 1458, p-value = 3.803e-12
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
## 80 percent confidence interval:
## 0.1477356 0.2126767
## sample estimates:
##
         cor
## 0.1804028
cor.test(household$SalePrice, household$GarageArea, method = "pearson", conf.level = 0.8)
##
##
   Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## data: household$SalePrice and household$GarageArea
## t = 30.446, df = 1458, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
## 80 percent confidence interval:
## 0.6024756 0.6435283
## sample estimates:
##
         cor
## 0.6234314
```

cor.test(household\$SalePrice, household\$LotArea, method = "pearson", conf.level = 0.8)

- Based on these correlation tests, we can see that we can reject the null hypothesis and favor the alternative that is $cor(x, y) \neq 0$ for the variables chosen.
- There is a quite strong positive correlation between SalePrice (dependent variable) and GarageArea (independent variable). This makes sense as if one is buying a home, the sale price changes based on the area of the garage.
- Lot area doesn't have strong correlation with regards to sale price which it could be lot area may not have much impact on sale price. Same also goes for lot area and garage area.
- We are 80% confident the true correlation is within the intervals above for the specified variables.

- Familywise error is defined as $FWE \leq 1 (1 \alpha_{IT})^c$ and is the probability of coming to at least one false conclusion in a series of hypothesis tests. α_{IT} is the alpha level for an individual test (in this case 0.2) and c is the number of comparisions. c = 3 test and computing the familywise error gives
- $FWE \le 1 (1 \alpha_{IT})^c = 1 (1 0.2)^3 = 0.488$ which is quite high considering only 3 tests were made and something that would have to be concern of getting a type 1 error.

Linear Algebra and Correlation

• Per the description of this section, let's invert our 3x3 matrix from above that is

```
inv_cor_matrix <- solve(cor_matrix) # precision matrix
inv_cor_matrix

## SalePrice LotArea GarageArea
## SalePrice 1.7016986 -0.26625940 -1.01285847
## LotArea -0.2662594 1.07530074 -0.02799273
## GarageArea -1.0128585 -0.02799273 1.63649778</pre>
```

• Now multiply the precision matrix by the correlation matrix and do the other way around, then do LU Decomposition

```
# precision matrix x correlation matrix
inv_cor_matrix %*% cor_matrix
##
                 SalePrice
                                  LotArea
                                            GarageArea
             1.000000e+00 -5.551115e-17 0.000000e+00
## SalePrice
              7.979728e-17
## LotArea
                            1.000000e+00 6.591949e-17
## GarageArea 0.000000e+00 0.000000e+00 1.000000e+00
cor_matrix %*% inv_cor_matrix
##
              SalePrice
                              LotArea GarageArea
## SalePrice
                      1 2.428613e-17
                      0 1.000000e+00
                                               0
## LotArea
## GarageArea
                      0 3.469447e-17
                                                1
library(matrixcalc) # lU Decomposition
lu.decomposition(cor_matrix %*% inv_cor_matrix)
## $L
##
                      [,2] [,3]
        [,1]
## [1,]
           1 0.000000e+00
## [2,]
           0 1.000000e+00
                              0
## [3,]
           0 3.469447e-17
                              1
##
## $U
##
        [,1]
                      [,2] [,3]
## [1,]
           1 2.428613e-17
## [2,]
           0 1.000000e+00
                              0
## [3,]
           0 0.000000e+00
                              1
```

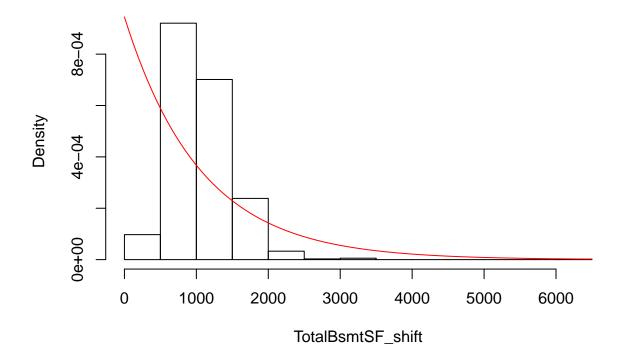
```
lu.decomposition(inv_cor_matrix %*% cor_matrix) # they're not communitative
## $L
##
                [,1] [,2] [,3]
## [1,] 1.00000e+00
## [2,] 7.979728e-17
                             0
                        1
## [3,] 0.00000e+00
                             1
##
## $U
##
                      [,2]
                                    [,3]
        [,1]
## [1,]
          1 -5.551115e-17 0.000000e+00
## [2,]
           0 1.000000e+00 6.591949e-17
## [3,]
           0 0.000000e+00 1.000000e+00
min(household$TotalBsmtSF)
## [1] 0
```

Calculus Based Probability & Statistics

• For this, we will choose the total basement square feet or TotalBsmtSF variable.

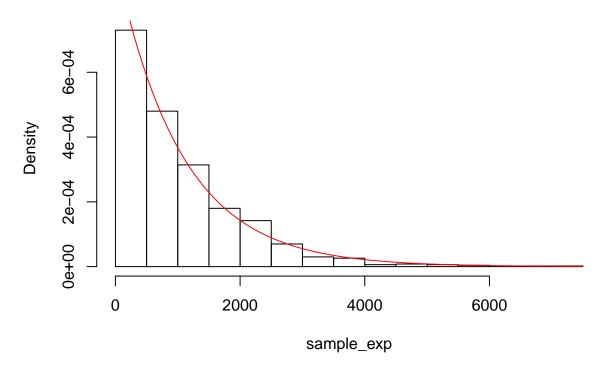
```
library(MASS)
##
## Attaching package: 'MASS'
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
       select
\# shift TotalBsmtSF variable so min > 0
TotalBsmtSF_shift <- household$TotalBsmtSF + 1.0
TotalBsmtSF_fit <- fitdistr(TotalBsmtSF_shift, "exponential")</pre>
TotalBsmtSF_fit$estimate # optimal value of the rate parameter lambda
##
           rate
## 0.0009447961
par(mfrow=c(1,1))
hist(TotalBsmtSF_shift, pch = 20, prob=TRUE)
curve(dexp(x, TotalBsmtSF_fit$estimate), col="red", add=T)
```

Histogram of TotalBsmtSF_shift



```
# take 1000 random samples from a exponential distribution
sample_exp <- rexp(1000, rate=TotalBsmtSF_fit$estimate)
hist(sample_exp, pch = 20, prob=TRUE)
curve(dexp(x, TotalBsmtSF_fit$estimate), col="red", add=T)</pre>
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Histogram of sample_exp



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# use the cdf that is 1 - exp(-lambda*x)
CDF_sample_exp <- 1 - exp(-TotalBsmtSF_fit$estimate*household$TotalBsmtSF)</pre>
# 5% and 95% percentiles
quantile(CDF_sample_exp, .05)
##
## 0.3877585
quantile(CDF_sample_exp, .95)
##
         95%
## 0.8091424
# 95% confidence interval assuming normality (mean and sd are the same for a exponential that is 1/lamb
mean_exp <- 1/TotalBsmtSF_fit$estimate</pre>
sd_exp <- mean_exp
# standard error
sd_error <- qnorm(0.95)* (sd_exp / sqrt(length(household$TotalBsmtSF)))</pre>
left_ci <- mean_exp - sd_error</pre>
right_ci <- mean_exp + sd_error</pre>
# confidence interval
c(left_ci, right_ci)
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## rate rate
## 1012.866 1103.992

# quantile of empricial data
emp_data <- ecdf(household$TotalBsmtSF)
emp_data(5)

## [1] 0.02534247

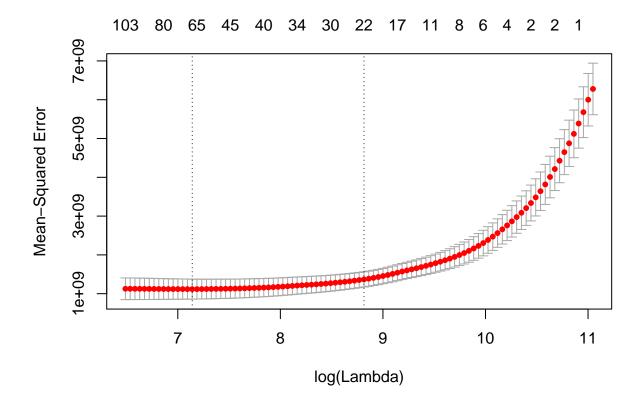
emp_data(95)</pre>
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[1] 0.02534247

• Assuming normality for a exponential distribution is a good idea as our best fit rate $1/\lambda$ is within our 95% confidence interval so we are 95% confident the true value of $1/\lambda$ falls within (1012.866, 1103.992).

Modeling

- Let's use feature selection such as LASSO to select parameters for our multiple regression model and submit our scores to kaggle. I will also use the technique of feature hashing when dealing with categorical variables and then use the glmnet library and it's function cv.glmnet() to come up with a model and then predict the Sale Prices of the test dataset.
- Feature hashing example: http://amunategui.github.io/feature-hashing/
- LASSO (Least absolute shrinkage and selection operator) is used to to avoid overfitting by penalizing large coefficients and it can shrink some coefficients of the features so in turn it also does feature selection.
- LASSO introduction: http://ricardoscr.github.io/how-to-use-ridge-and-lasso-in-r.html



- We see that the algorithm based on the plot has the lambda minimum value of about 65 variables and based on the graph, taking the lambda minimum (first dotted line on the left) has a smaller mean squared error. This lambda value will be used in our predictions of the test dataset.
- Finally let's use this model to predict the Saleprice in the test dataset and submit it to kaggle.