

Airbnb Market Analysis and Forecasting: Insights from an Exploration of Trends.

INFX 595: MASTER PROJECT

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PROJECT TITLE

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DATASET

The Airbnb dataset for New York City was obtained from insideairbnb.com and contains information on listings, reviews, and calendar availability for properties available on the Airbnb platform in New York City. The listing data includes information such as the property's location, price, number of bedrooms and bathrooms, and amenities offered. The review data includes information such as the date of the review, the reviewer's name, and their comments. The calendar availability data includes information such as the dates when the property is available for booking and the price for those dates. The dataset is typically scraped from the Airbnb website every month, so it's always updated. The dataset is also cleaned and preprocessed to ensure that it is in a usable format for analysis.

Step 1

Frame the problem: This scientific research intends to discover insights and explore the characteristics of the listings and their relationship with the price. Then, use the insights gained and the information provided by the dataset to build a predictive model that can accurately predict the price of a listing based on its characteristics such as location, number of rooms, type of property, and other relevant features. The goal is to provide valuable insights and information for both hosts and guests of Airbnb in NYC, as well as assist hosts in pricing their listings competitively and guests in finding affordable accommodations. Additionally, the model should be able to predict the price of a listing with high accuracy to help hosts and guests make informed decisions.

Objectives

- To build a supervised machine learning model for forecasting the price of an Airbnb based on multiple attributes.
- To provide graphical comparisons to provide an insight on the NYC Airbnb dataset.

What is your solution?

I plan to conduct an in-depth analysis of Airbnb market trends in a specific location, using historical data, advanced analytical techniques, and machine learning model predictions to identify patterns and forecast future market price performance.

Step 2

Get the data.

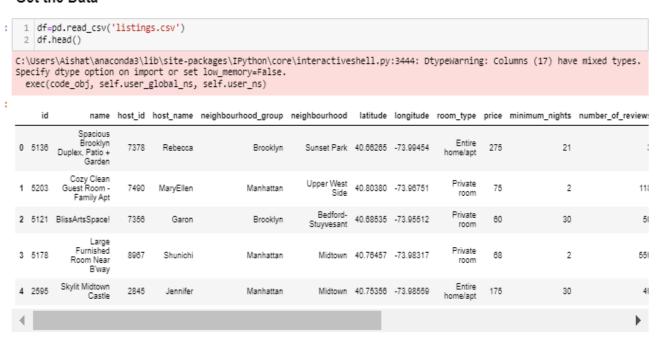
```
Note: you may need to restart the kernel to use updated packages.

ERROR: Could not find a version that satisfies the requirement worldcloud (from versions: none)

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import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.image as mpimg
from IPython.display import HTML, display
import seaborn as sns; sns.set()
from wordcloud import Wordcloud
```

Get the Data



The first code shows the list of packages that were imported to aid this research. To get the data for this analysis, the above code was used to load the CSV file into a Pandas dataframe and the code below it is used to display the first 5 rows for previewing the structure and sample data of the dataset before analyzing it.

Step 3

Explore the data to gain insights.

Understanding the dataset

```
1 df.shape
(41533, 18)
 1 print(df.info())
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 41533 entries, 0 to 41532
Data columns (total 18 columns):
 # Column
                                         Non-Null Count Dtype
 0 id
                                         41533 non-null int64
 1
     name
                                         41520 non-null object
 2
     host_id
                                         41533 non-null int64
     host_name
                                         41528 non-null object
     neighbourhood_group
                                        41533 non-null object
 5
     neighbourhood
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     latitude
                                        41533 non-null float64
     longitude
                                        41533 non-null object
     room_type
     price
                                        41533 non-null int64
                                       41533 non-null int64
41533 non-null int64
41533 non-null int64
32140 non-null object
 10 minimum_nights
 11 number_of_reviews
12 last_review
 13 reviews_per_month
                                         32140 non-null float64
 1 df.isnull().sum()
id
                                          0
                                         13
name
host_id
                                          а
host_name
neighbourhood_group
neighbourhood
latitude
longitude
                                           0
room_type
                                          0
price
                                          0
minimum_nights
                                          0
number_of_reviews
                                          0
                                       9393
last_review
reviews_per_month
calculated_host_listings_count
                                       9393
                                          0
availability_365
                                           0
number_of_reviews_ltm
license
                                      41532
dtype: int64
```

```
1 df.describe()
                id
                         host id
                                     latitude
                                                 longitude
                                                                 price minimum_nights number_of_reviews reviews_per_month calculated_host_listings
count 4.153300e+04 4.153300e+04 41533.000000 41533.000000 41533.000000
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                                                                                                                                         41533
 mean 1.728318e+17 1.400636e+08
                                   40.728292
                                               -73.944528
                                                           221.978282
                                                                            18.592204
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   std 2.974371e+17 1.526932e+08
                                    0.057145
                                                 0.055965
                                                           919.502238
                                                                            30.699921
                                                                                              56.178847
                                                                                                                 1.935098
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  min 2.595000e+03 2.438000e+03
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                                               -74.249840
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                                               -73.710870 98159.000000
                                                                          1250.000000
                                                                                             1686.000000
                                                                                                               102.980000
                                                                                                                                           487
 1 print("Neighbourhood Groups:", df['neighbourhood_group'].unique().tolist())
 2 print("Room Types:", df['room_type'].unique().tolist())
Neighbourhood Groups: ['Brooklyn', 'Manhattan', 'Queens', 'Bronx', 'Staten Island']
Room Types: ['Entire home/apt', 'Private room', 'Hotel room', 'Shared room']
 1 print(df['price'].describe(percentiles=[.25, .50, .75, .95]))
count
         41533.000000
mean
            221.978282
std
            919.502236
min
              0.000000
25%
            80.000000
50%
            131,000000
75%
            220.000000
95%
            581,000000
         98159,000000
max
Name: price, dtype: float64
```

I utilized the shape () and info() functions to thoroughly examine the structure and characteristics of the Airbnb dataset. The shape () function displayed the dimensions of the data frame, offering valuable information about its size. The info () function, on the other hand, provided a concise summary of the data frame, including the number of non-null values, the number of rows, and the data types of columns. This information was essential in detecting any missing or null values, data type inconsistencies, and memory usage issues. With these tools, I was able to gain a comprehensive understanding of the dataset and make informed decisions when constructing my predictive model.

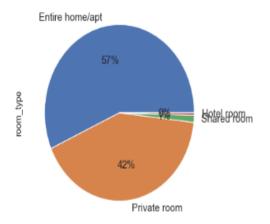
Data Exploration

```
# we noted that the room_type is only of 3 particular types.
df['room_type'].value_counts()
```

Entire home/apt 23526
Private room 17287
Shared room 532
Hotel room 188
Name: room_type, dtype: int64

```
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(5,5), dpi=80)
df['room_type'].value_counts().plot(kind='pie', autopct='%1.0f%%', startangle=360, fontsize=13)
```

<AxesSubplot:ylabel='room_type'>



```
1 # There are 5 particular neighbourhood_group, which means 5 unique locations.
```

2 df['neighbourhood_group'].value_counts()

 Manhattan
 17334

 Brooklyn
 15688

 Queens
 6519

 Bronx
 1587

 Staten Island
 405

Name: neighbourhood_group, dtype: int64

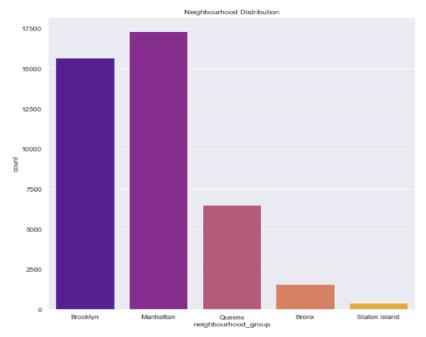
1 df['neighbourhood'].value_counts().iloc[:5]

Bedford-Stuyvesant 2936
Williamsburg 2570
Harlem 1949
Midtown 1918
Bushwick 1752
Name: neighbourhood, dtype: int64

```
1 sns.countplot(df['neighbourhood_group'], palette="plasma")
2 fig = plt.gcf()
3 fig.set_size_inches(10,10)
4 plt.title('Neighbourhood Distribution')

C:\Users\Aishat\anaconda3\lib\site-packages\seaborn\_decorators.py:36: FutureWarning: Pass the following variable as a keyword arg: x. From version 0.12, the only valid positional argument will be `data`, and passing other arguments without an explicit k eyword will result in an error or misinterpretation.
    warnings.warn(
```

Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Neighbourhood Distribution')



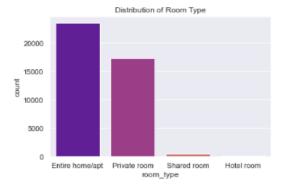
The data reveals that Manhattan and Brooklyn possess the highest number of listings, both hovering just above 15,000. This phenomenon can be attributed to the abundance of tourist hotspots in these neighborhoods, attracting individuals who desire proximity to their desired attractions.

```
price_df=df[df.price < 400]
  viz_2=sns.violinplot(data=price_df, x='neighbourhood_group', y='price')
  viz_2.set_title('Distribution for Neighbourhood Price')
  plt.show()</pre>
```



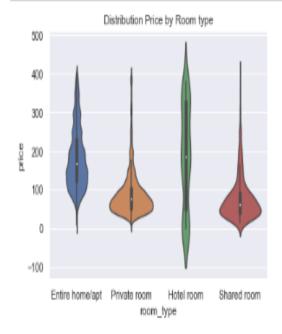
```
ax = sns.countplot('room_type',data=df,order=df['room_type'].value_counts().index, palette="plasma")
ax.set_title('Distribution of Room Type')
plt.show()

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The pricing of properties is closely tied to their neighborhood group. Manhattan presents a greater proportion of premium properties, while the Bronx, Staten Island, and Queens offer comparatively more budget-friendly options than Brooklyn and Manhattan. Moreover, all price distributions exhibit a positive skewness.

```
viz_2=sns.violinplot(data=price_df, x='room_type', y='price')
viz_2.set_title('Distribution Price by Room type')
plt.show()
```

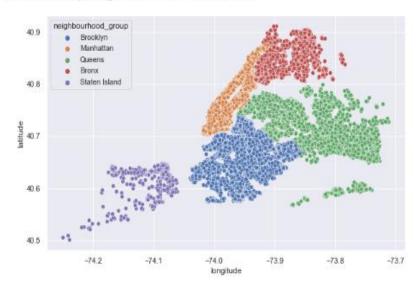


As anticipated, hotel rooms have the mean price at the lowest end of the spectrum, while entire homes command the highest mean price. The spread of prices for all room types appears to be consistent, with private rooms and shared rooms exhibiting greater centrality around their respective means. In contrast, entire homes exhibit a wider range of prices. To provide a clearer illustration of our findings, we can utilize Plotly to map the distribution of Airbnb prices in New York City. This visualization enables us to observe the geographical distribution of premium and budget-friendly Airbnb options in the city.

```
plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
sns.scatterplot(df.longitude,df.latitude,hue=df.neighbourhood_group)
plt.ioff()
```

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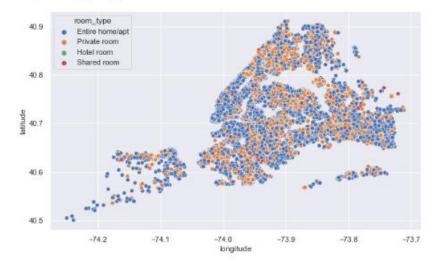
<matplotlib.pyplot._IoffContext at 0x18dc67c6940>



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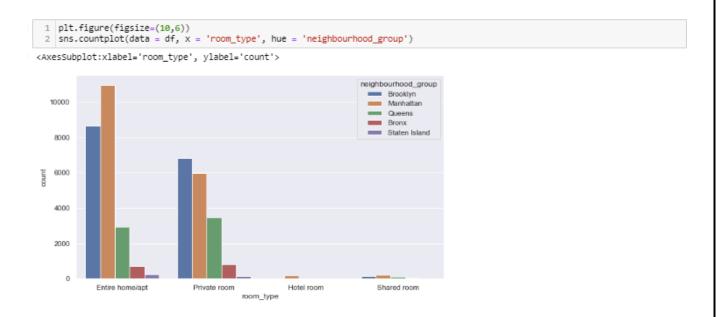
<matplotlib.pyplot._IoffContext at 0x18dc6834a00>



```
1 df['neighbourhood'].value counts().iloc[:5]
Bedford-Stuyvesant
                          2936
Williamsburg
Harlem
                          1949
Midtown
                          1918
Bushwick
                          1752
Name: neighbourhood, dtype: int64
  1 corr = df.corr(method='kendall')
  2 plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
  3 sns.heatmap(corr, annot=True)
  4 df.columns
Index(['id', 'name', 'host_id', 'host_name', 'neighbourhood_group',
          'neighbourhood', 'latitude', 'longitude', 'room_type', 'price',
         'minimum_nights', 'number_of_reviews', 'last_review',
         'reviews_per_month', 'calculated_host_listings_count',
         'availability_365', 'number_of_reviews_ltm', 'license'],
        dtype='object')
                        M 1 0.39 0.049-0.0120.00180.065-0.011 0.1 0.27 0.21 0.086 0.23 0.3 0.13
                            0.39 1 0.11-0.00880.031 0.088 0.055 0.027 -0.22 -0.043 0.11 0.16 0.18 0.13
                    host_id
                                                                                                          - 0.8
                            0.049 0.11 1 0.14 0.29 -0.02 0.00290 052 -0.011 -0.0280 0.012 0.11 0.0450 0.043
        neighbourhood_group
             neighbourhood
                           -0.0120.00880.14 1 0.18 -0.092-0.0530.084 0.037 -0.0490.0550.022-0.024-0.055
                            .00180.031 0.29 0.18 1 0.022 0.014 0.055 0.047-0.0550.061 0.062-0.015-0.058
                    latitude
                            0.065 0.088 -0.02-0.092 0.022 1 0.15 -0.27 -0.11 0.069 0.11-0.00260.081 0.1
                  longitude
                                                                                                          - 0.4
                           0.011 0.0550.00290.0530.014 0.15 1 0.46 0.068 0.056 0.063 0.15 0.045 0.078
                 room_type
                            0.1 0.027 0.052 0.084 0.055 -0.27 -0.46 1 -0.14 0.005 0.0450.0054 0.12 0.087
                     price
                                                                                                          - 0.2
            minimum_nights
                           0.27 0.22 0.0110.037 0.047 0.11 0.068 0.14 1 0.26 0.41 0.055 0.22 0.46
                           -0.21 -0.043-0.028-0.049-0.0550.069-0.0560.005-0.26 1 0.69 0.0590.081 0.5
          number_of_reviews
                                                                                                          - 0.0
                            0.086 0.11 -0.012-0.055-0.081 0.11 -0.063-0.045 -0.41 0.69 1 0.0054 0.2 0.71
          reviews_per_month
                            0.23 0.16 0.11 0.022 0.0620.00260.15-0.00540.055-0.0590.0054 1 0.31 0.081
 calculated_host_listings_count
                                                                                                          - -0.2
             availability_365
                            0.3 0.18 0.045-0.024-0.0150.081-0.045 0.12 -0.22 0.081 0.2 0.31 1
                           0.13 0.13-0.00430.055-0.058 0.1 -0.0780.087 -0.46 0.59 0.71 0.081 0.29
      number_of_reviews_ltm
                                                                      minimum_nights
                                                                           number_of_reviews
                                                                                     host listings coun
```

```
plt.subplots(figsize=(25,15))
  wordcloud = WordCloud(
                        background_color='white',
                        width=1920,
                        height=1080
                       ).generate(" ".join(df.neighbourhood))
  plt.imshow(wordcloud)
8 plt.axis('off')
9 plt.savefig('neighbourhood.png')
10 plt.show()
                                             Kips Bay Canarsie
                            Chinatown
                                                                                   Fort
                                                                   Greenwich Village
                                               Sunset Park
                                                                              efferts
                                                                                           Gardens
                                              Murray
                                                                                      Park
                                                                                             Slope
                                  Midtown Midtown
                                                                             Jackson Heights
ars
ights
                                                      Side
                                                                               eenpoint
                                                     Village Bedford
                               Woodside
                                                                                          New
                                                                                                 York
```

```
1 df.price.describe()
count
         41533.000000
           221.978282
mean
std
           919.502236
             0.000000
            80.000000
25%
50%
           131.000000
           220.000000
         98159.000000
max
Name: price, dtype: float64
 1 df['minimum_nights'].value_counts()
30
1
        7202
2
        5329
3
        3780
5
        1492
153
999
           1
53
           1
19
88
Name: minimum_nights, Length: 126, dtype: int64
```



The graph above shows the distribution of room type, and it shows that entire homes/apt had the highest in Manhattan and Brooklyn. The hotel room had the least room type occupied with the highest in Manhattan.



The line graph above shows that Manhattan has the highest Airbnb minimum nights followed by Brooklyn, then Queens, and lastly Bronx.

Step 4

Data Preparation

Prepare the data to better expose the underlying data patterns to Machine Learning algorithms.

Preparing the Data

```
1 import sklearn
2 from sklearn import preprocessing
3 from sklearn import metrics
4 from sklearn.metrics import r2_score, mean_absolute_error
5 from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder,OneHotEncoder
6 from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
7 from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
8 # from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor, GradientBoostingRegressor
9
1 df['reviews_per_month']=df['reviews_per_month'].replace(np.nan, 0)
1 '''Encode labels with value between 0 and n_classes-1.'''
2 le = preprocessing.LabelEncoder() # Fit Label encoder
3 le.fit(df['neighbourhood_group'])
4 df['neighbourhood_group']=le.transform(df['neighbourhood_group']) # Transform Labels to normalized encoding.
1 le = preprocessing.LabelEncoder()
2 le.fit(df['neighbourhood'])
3 df['neighbourhood']=le.transform(df['neighbourhood'])
1 le = preprocessing.LabelEncoder()
2 le.fit(df['room_type'])
3 df['room_type']=le.transform(df['room_type'])
  1 df.sort_values(by='price',ascending=True,inplace=True)
  3 df.head()
             id
                    name
                            host_id host_name neighbourhood_group neighbourhood latitude longitude room_type price minimum_nights number_c
                                          Six
                Columbus
 22006 43247386
                   Central 335072254
                                                               2
                                                                           97 40.767560 -73.983120
                                                                                                           1
                                       Central
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                    Hotel
                Broadway
Plaza 307634016
                                     Broadway
 21148 42065543
                                                                           130 40.744440 -73.989200
                                        Plaza
                    Hotel
                                        Opera
House
                   Opera
 21167 42085583
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                   House 309772430
                                                                                                                              30
                   James
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 21010 41740815
                         268417148
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                                                                           130 40.744590 -73.985740
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                  - NoMad
 24785 48417138 HGU New 390810530
                                       Marcos
                                                                           130 40.746836 -73.982699
```

To enhance the interpretability of the data for machine learning algorithms, I convert the categorical variables (neighbourhood_group, neighborhood, room type) into numerical labels using the LabelEncoder function from sci-kit-learn.

Step 5

Explore many different models and shortlist the best ones.

Training the Linear Regression Model

```
! 1 | lm = LinearRegression()
2 | X = df[['neighbourhood_group','neighbourhood','latitude','longitude','room_type','minimum_nights','number_of_reviews','revie
4 | y = df['price']
5 | X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2)
7 | lm.fit(X_train,y_train)
```

: LinearRegression()

```
1 '''Get Predictions & Print Metrics'''
2 predicts = lm.predict(X_test)
4 print("""
          Mean Absolute Error: {}
          Root Mean Squared Error: {}
7
          R2 Score: {}
      """.format(
8
9
          mean_absolute_error(y_test,predicts),
10
           np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(y_test, predicts)),
11
           r2_score(y_test,predicts),
12
```

Mean Absolute Error: 155.2150720887138 Root Mean Squared Error: 824.0292262366524 R2 Score: 0.015463947121196364

The categorical variables (neighbourhood_group, neighborhood, room type) were encoded using LabelEncoder from sci-kit-learn to facilitate the interpretability of the data for machine learning algorithms. The regression model's predictions for the price were then compared to the actual prices through visualization. Evaluation of the model's performance was conducted using the metrics Mean Absolute Error (MAE), Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE), and R2 Score. The results showed an MAE of 155.22, an RMSE of 824.03, and an R2 Score of 0.01.

Step 6

Fined-tuned model.

Fine-tune your models and combine them into a great solution.

Finding a Better Model

Diagnostic Plots

```
1 # Residuals vs. Fitted
2 def r v fit(m):
      ax = sns.residplot(m.fittedvalues, m.resid)
      plt.title("Residuals vs. Fitted")
     plt.vlabel("Residuals")
      plt.xlabel("Fitted Values")
       plt.show()
9 # Residuals vs. Order
10 def r_v_order(m):
     ax = plt.scatter(m.resid.index, m.resid)
11
      plt.title("Residuals vs. Order")
12
     plt.ylabel("Residuals")
13
14
      plt.xlabel("Order")
15
       plt.show()
16
17 # Histogram
18 def r_hist(m, binwidth):
19
      resid = m.resid
20
       plt.hist(m.resid, bins=np.arange(min(resid), max(resid) + binwidth, binwidth))
21
       plt.title("Histogram of Residuals")
22
       plt.show()
```

```
# Get separate dataframe for statsmodels analysis
sm_df = pd.read_csv('listings.csv')

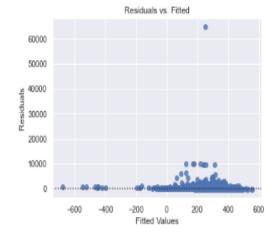
# Split data for training and testing
sm_df['logprice'] = np.log(1 + sm_df['price'])
train_data, test_data = train_test_split(sm_df, test_size=0.2)

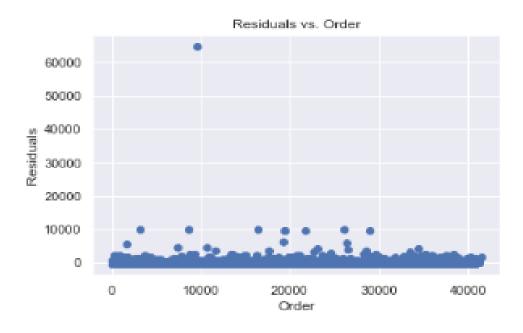
C:\Users\Aishat\anaconda3\lib\site-packages\IPython\core\interactiveshell.py:3444: DtypeWarning: Columns (17) have mixed types.
Specify dtype option on import or set low_memory=False.
exec(code_obj, self.user_global_ns, self.user_ns)
```

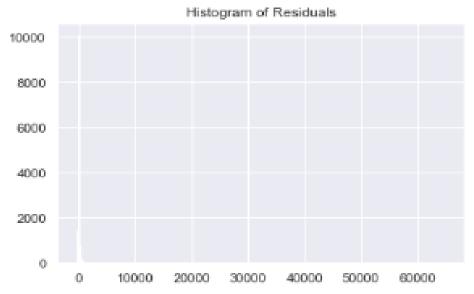
```
[39]: 1 import statsmodels.formula.api as smf
       3 # Create the model
       4 model = smf.ols(
              'price ~ neighbourhood_group + latitude + longitude \
       5
              + room_type + minimum_nights + number_of_reviews + reviews_per_month \
              + calculated_host_listings_count + availability_365',
       7
             data=train_data).fit()
       8
       9
      10 print("P-Value:\t{}".format(model.pvalues[0]))
      11 print("R_Squared:\t{}".format(model.rsquared))
      12 print("R_Squared Adj:\t{}".format(model.rsquared_adj))
      13
      14 # Diagnostic Plots for model
      15 r_v_fit(model)
      16 r_v_order(model)
      17 r_hist(model, 100)
```

P-Value: 2.398395733610874e-07 R_Squared: 0.029348150348848745 R_Squared_Adj: 0.028818111894401532

C:\Users\Aishat\anaconda3\lib\site-packages\seaborn_decorators.py:36: FutureWarning: Pass the following variables as keyword a
rgs: x, y. From version 0.12, the only valid positional argument will be `data`, and passing other arguments without an explici
t keyword will result in an error or misinterpretation.
warnings.warn(



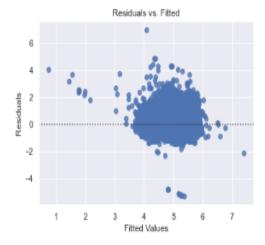




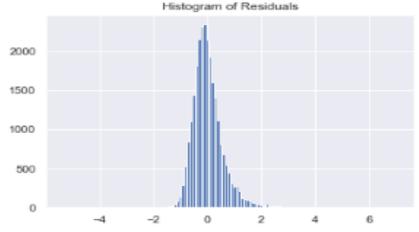
The residual plots highlight several shortcomings in the current model. The residuals vs. fitted plot display mostly positive residuals and one outlier. The residuals vs. Order plot similarly showcases a few outliers and predominantly positive values. Furthermore, the model's R-Squared value, as indicated above in the residual plots, is notably low.

P-Value: 2.415923452386532e-75 R_Squared: 0.41215083547032016 R_Squared Adj: 0.4118298319480713

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warnings.warn(







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The transformed model shows significant improvement compared to the original. The three diagnostic plots meet the assumptions required for linear regression and display a better distribution of residuals. Residuals vs. fitted plots have reduced the cone shape, while residuals vs. order have a better spread around the x-axis indicating independence of data. The histogram of residuals also demonstrates a more normal distribution. The R-Squared value, which measures the explanatory power of the model, is significantly higher in the transformed model. This implies that the transformed model provides a better explanation of the response variable (price).

The interpretation of model coefficients also changes with the new nonlinear relationship. A 1-unit increase in X corresponds to an increase of log(Y) by the coefficient value m, implying Y increases by a factor of e^m.

Steps 7 and 8

Present your solution, Launch, monitor, and maintain your system.

Reducing the Model

```
1 print(model.pvalues)
Intercept
                                      2.398396e-07
neighbourhood_group[T.Brooklyn]
                                      1.499166e-02
neighbourhood_group[T.Manhattan]
                                  2.747765e-02
9.193475e-01
neighbourhood_group[T.Queens]
neighbourhood_group[T.Staten Island] 6.240240e-01
room type[T.Hotel room]
                                      1.002419e-02
room_type[T.Private room]
                                      1.858923e-48
room_type[T.Shared room]
                                      2.143726e-03
latitude
                                      2.953318e-04
longitude
                                      1.153103e-15
minimum_nights
                                      4.254730e-10
number_of_reviews
                                      4.760304e-03
reviews_per_month
                                      1.354570e-01
calculated_host_listings_count
                                    3.357492e-02
availability_365
                                      5.049735e-15
dtype: float64
```

Since we now have a better model, I decided to examine it to see if any predictors may be removed from the model. I used the Statsmodels library to look at the p-value of each of the predictors to see how significant they were which is shown above.

we can see from the above output that predictors like neighbourhood_group[T.Manhattan], room_type[T.Private room], room_type[T.Shared room], latitude, longitude, minimum_nights, number_of_reviews, and availability_365 have p-values that are significant predictors of price. On the other hand, predictors like neighbourhood_group[T.Brooklyn], neighbourhood_group[T.Queens], neighbourhood_group[T.Staten Island], room_type[T.Hotel room], reviews_per_month, and calculated_host_listings_count have p-values that are higher than 0.05, indicating they are not statistically significant in predictors of price.

P-Value: 1.760025933426194e-73 R_Squared: 0.4102543016518351 R_Squared Adj: 0.4099552769598219

```
1 model.params
Intercept
                                     -40225.814826
neighbourhood group[T.Brooklyn]
                                        -54.396291
neighbourhood group[T.Manhattan]
                                        42.603814
neighbourhood_group[T.Queens]
                                        -2.080467
neighbourhood group[T.Staten Island]
                                        -20.835865
room_type[T.Hotel room]
                                      119.326826
room type[T.Private room]
                                      -93.080603
room_type[T.Shared room]
                                       -86.719475
latitude
                                       -317.243355
longitude
                                       -721.752335
minimum nights
                                        -0.678888
number of reviews
                                        -0.165764
reviews per month
                                         3.035335
calculated host listings count
                                         -0.169229
availability_365
                                          0.179562
dtype: float64
```

The result of the code is the estimated coefficients of the linear regression model, which represent the average change in the logarithm of the response (price) for a one-unit change in each predictor, holding all other predictors constant. The coefficient of each predictor can be interpreted as its effect on the price, with positive values indicating an increase in price and negative values indicating a decrease in price. The magnitude of the coefficients can also be used to compare the relative importance of each predictor in explaining the response.

The most sensitive coefficients are longitude, latitude, room_type[T.Private room], room_type[T.Shared room], and neighbourhood_group[T.Brooklyn]. Coincidentally, they are all negatively correlated with price, which intuitively makes sense.

The features most positively correlated with price are room_type[T.Hotel room], neighbourhood_group[T.Manhattan], reviews_per_month.

Link to my code.