HOTEL BOOKING ANALYSIS

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 ABSTRACT: This hotel booking dataset contains booking information for city and resort hotel. Both datasets share the same 32 structure. with variables describing the 40,060 observations of H1 and 79,330 observations of H2. Each observation represents a hotel booking. Both datasets comprehend bookings due to arrive between the 1st of July of 2015 and the 31st of August 2017, including bookings that effectively arrived and bookings that were cancelled. Since this is hotel real data. all data elements hotel pertaining or costumer identification were deleted. Due to the scarcity of real business data for scientific and educational purposes, these datasets can have important role for research and education in revenue management, machine learning, or data mining, as well as in other fields.

INTRODUCTION: Hotel industry is a very volatile industry and the bookings depend on variety of factors such as type of hotels, seasonality, days of week and many more. This makes analyzing the patterns available in the past data more important to help the hotels plan better. Using the historical data, hotels can perform various campaigns to boost the business. Booking cancellations negatively contribute to the production of accurate forecasts, which comprise a critical tool in the hospitality industry. Research has shown that with today's computational power and advanced machine learning algorithms it is possible to build models to predict bookings cancellation likelihood. However, the effectiveness of these models has never been evaluated in a real environment. To fill this gap and investigate how these models can be implemented in a decision support system and its impact on demand-management decisions, a prototype was built and deployed in two hotels. The system allowed hotels to predict their net demand and thus making better decisions about which bookings to accept and reject, what prices to make, and how many rooms to oversell.

Thus all the analyized method have been evaluated under this data set.

- **PROBLEM STATEMENT:** We are here to explore a hotel booking dataset to discover important factors that govern the bookings, which contain booking information for a city hotel and a resort hotel. We will analyze some important aspects of hotel bookings which will helps us identify major loopholes and give us insights which will be helpful to run profitable hotel business are as follows:
 - Which type of hotel is mostly preferred by the guests?
 - Which country the most guests are coming?
 - Which Hotel type has the highest ADR?
- **FEATURE DESCRIPTION:** The data feature in this dataset respectively:
 - ADR (Numeric) Average Daily Rate as defined.
 - Adults (Integer) Number of adults.
 - Agent (Categorical) ID of the travel agency that made the booking.

- Arrival Date Day Of Month (Integer) Day of the month of the arrival date.
- Arrival Date Month
 (Categorical) Month of arrival
 date with 12 categories:
 "January" to "December".
- Arrival_date_week_number
 (Integer) Week number of year for arrival date.
- Arrival_date_year (Integer)
 Year of arrival date.
- Babies (Integer)number of babies in count.
- Children (Integer) number of children.
- Company (Integer) ID of the company/entity that made the booking or responsible for paying the booking. ID is presented instead of designation for anonymity reasons.
- Country(object) Country of origin. Categories are represented in the ISO 3155— 3:2013 format.
- Customer type(categorical)
 Type of booking, assuming one of four categories:
 Contract when the booking has an allotment;
 Group when the booking is associated to a group;
 Transient when the booking is not part of a group or contract;
 Transient-party —

- when the booking is transient, but is associated to at least other transient booking.
- distribution_channel
 (categorical)
 Booking
 distribution channel. The term
 "TA" means "Travel Agents"
 and "TO" means "Tour
 Operators".
- days_in_waiting_list (Integer)
 Number of days the booking
 was in the waiting list before it
 was confirmed to the
 customer.
- Hotel(categorical) Hotel (H1 = Resort Hotel or H2 = City Hotel).
- is_canceled (Integer) Value indicating if the booking was canceled (1) or not (0).
- is_repeated_guest (Integer)
 Value indicating if the booking name was from a repeated guest (1) or not (0)
- lead_time (Integer) Number of days that elapsed between the entering date of the booking into the PMS and the arrival date.
- Meal(categorical) Type of meal booked. Categories are presented in standard hospitality meal packages: Undefined/SC – no meal.
- market_segment(categorical)
 Market segment designation.
 In categories, the term "TA"

- means "Travel Agents" and "TO" means "Tour Operators"
- previous_cancellations
 (categ orical) Number of
 previous bookings that were
 cancelled by the customer
 prior to the current booking.
- previous_bookings_not_ canceled (Integer)
 Number of previous bookings not cancelled by the customer prior to the current booking.
- reservation_status
 (categorical) Reservation last
 status, assuming one of three
 categories: Canceled —
 booking was canceled by the
 customer; Check-Out.
- reservation_status_date
 (Date) Date at which the last
 status was set. This variable
 can be used in conjunction
 with the Reservation Status to
 understand when was the
 booking canceled or when did
 the customer checked-out of
 the hotel.
- stays_in_weekend_nights
 (Integer) Number of weekend nights (Saturday or Sunday) the guest stayed or booked to stay at the hotel.
- stays_in_week_nights
 (Integer) Number of week
 nights (Monday to Friday) the
 guest stayed or booked to stay
 at the hotel.

total_of_special_requests
 (Integer) Number of special
 requests made by the
 customer (e.g., twin bed or
 high floor).

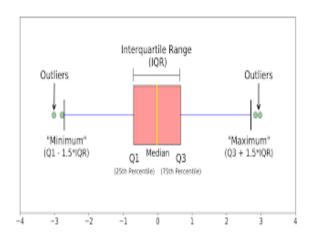
• EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS:

- DATA PREPARATION: Firstly,
 we imported libraries and
 dataset, some of the libraries
 used are NumPy, pandas,
 matplotlib, seaborn,
 warnings. Once the data is
 collected, process of analysis
 begins. But data has to be
 translated in an appropriate
 form. This process is known as
 Data Preparation.
- Validate data
- Clean the data set
- Checking and deleting the duplicate values
- Statically adjust the data
- Store the data set for analysis
- Analyze the data

MISSING VALUES AND OUTLIER TREATMENT: Used three different concept to treat the missing values and outlier. There are different ways and methods of identifying outliers, but we are only going to use some of the most popular techniques:

- Visualization: by boxplot or histogram plot
- Skewness: The skewness value should be within the range of -1 to 1 for a normal distribution, any major changes from this value may indicate the presence of outliers.
- Interquartile Range: IQR
- Standard Deviation: It shows the variability distribution of the data.
- Flooring or capping
- Trimming

Firstly, we demonstrate and remove the outlier based up on own understanding by setting up the threshold limit. And in terms of outlier, we used IQR, In descriptive statistics, the interquartile range (IQR) is a measure of statistical dispersion, which is the spread of the data. The IQR may also be called the mid spread, middle 50%, or H-spread. It is defined as the difference between the 75th and 25th percentiles of the data.



And lastly, we used quantile-based technique to treat the outlier, Capping is replacing all higher side values exceeding a certain theoretical maximum or upper control limit (UCL) by the UCL value.

DATA PREPROCESSING: A dataset may contain noise, missing values, and inconsistent data, thus, preprocessing of data is essential to improve the quality of data and time required in the data mining.

 CLEANING AND MANIPULATING THE DATASET:

CLEANING:

After completing the Data Sourcing, the next step in the process of EDA is Data Cleaning. It is very important to get rid of the irregularities and clean the data after sourcing it into our

system. Irregularities are of different types of data.

- Missing Values
- Incorrect Format
- Incorrect Headers
- Anomalies

MANIPULATING:

Data Manipulation: Manipulation of data is the process of manipulating or changing information to make it more organized and readable. Made some new features with the help of column present in the datasets .

UNIVARIATE ANALYSIS:

In Univariate Analysis, we choose a single feature from the data and try to determine what the output or the target value is ,i.e., one feature/variable at a time.

- Understand the trends and patterns of data
- Analyze the frequency and other such characteristics of data
- Know the distribution of the variables in the data.
- Visualize the relationship that may exist between different variables.

BIVARIATE ANALYSIS:

In a Bivariate Analysis, we try to analyze two features instead of one, and finally determine the classification of output we are looking for. It is a methodical statistical technique applied to a pair of variables (features/ attributes) of data to determine the empirical relationship between them. In order words, it is meant to determine any concurrent relations. There are three main types of bivariate analysis. They are as follows:

- Scatter Plots It makes use of dots to represent the values for two different numeric variables.
- Regression Analysis- This involves a wide range of tools that can be utilized to determine just how the data points might be related. It tends to provide us with an equation for the curve/line along with giving us the correlation coefficient.
- Correlation Coefficients This shows how one particular variable moves about with relation to another.

MULTIVARIATE ANALYSIS:

 Multivariate analysis deals with such complex set of data with more than two feature and variables. There are two types of multivariate analysis techniques: Dependence techniques, which look at cause-and-effect relationships between variables, and interdependence techniques, which explore the structure of a dataset.

CHALLENGES:

Dealing with such big dataset is quite difficult sometimes, lots of missing values made some things complicated , defining function which is used to the annotate histogram percent according to their respective count taken a big notch of this obstacle part .Coming to the visualization part, more or less makes our challenges addresses to code in such a way to visualize the graphs as per rows and columns with fixed figure size to retain as per the subplots.

CONCLUSION:

We used the dataset that contains data about hotel bookings. We cleaned and preprocessed the data and then we performed the

the exploratory data analysis to extract information from the data to answer the following questions.

How many bookings were cancelled and not cancelled booking percentage?

What is the booking ratio between Resort hotel and City hotel?

What is the percentage of booking each year?

What is the preferred meal which is booked by the guest?

From which country most guests come?

What is the maximum stay which is usually effecting the booking?

We then performed feature selection and feature engineering, and then made the predictive model

which directly effect the data set and helped to reach the goal and to predict whether our customer/guest will cancel the booking or not. And we achieved 99% accuracy.