Airbnb Listings in San Francisco of Year 2017

our notebook consists of following parts:

Part 1: introduction, including project background, objective, and data description.

Part 2: shows our data cleaning and processing.

Part 3: the exploantory analysis of Airbnb data.

Part 4: the price prediction.

Part 5: the texting mining of the customer reviews.

Part 1 Introduction

Background:

Airbnb, a destructive innovation for the traditional hotel industry, has changed people' experience of leasing and renting short-term lodging. The operation is successful: by now, there are 4.5 million Airbnb listings worldwide and 300+ million Airbnb guest arrivals all-time.

Hosts list their houses or apartments on the website, and then tenants can search for and book satisfied houses or apartment on the website. During the whole process, the company does not need to own any real estate or conduct tours; it serves as abrokers which receives percentage service fees in conjunction with every booking. For the development of the company, it is of great importance to provide better support for host and at the meanwhile to attract more tenants.

Project objective:

- 1) Provide new hosts recommendation of renting price by building model and figuring out the important factors which may have significant influence on the price.
- 2) Explore the characteristics of multi-listers by comparing with those who are not multi-listers.
- 3) Conduct text analysis to the reviews of tenants to discover what they care

Data

We select Airbnb data of San Francisco during year 2017. The data includes:

- 1) listing information: cancellation_policy; require_guest_profile_picture; require_guest_phone_verification, etc.
- 2) house information: property_type; room_type, accommodates, bathrooms, bedrooms, etc
- 3) host information: host_response_time; host_response_rate(%), host_is_superhost, host_total_listings_count, etc.
- 4) reviews from tenants and so on.

Data is obtained from Airbnb website.

There are total 95 columns in the raw dataset. By identifying our project objectives, we select 52 useful variables.

Part 2 Data Cleaning and Processing

Data cleaning

import all module for the following processing

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
        from pandas import Series
        from numpy import nan
        import glob
        import os
        import re
        import datetime as dt
        %pylab inline
        import requests, re
        import seaborn as sns
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import datetime as dt
        import nltk
        import string, itertools
        from collections import Counter, defaultdict
        from nltk.text import Text
        from nltk.probability import FreqDist
        from nltk.tokenize import word tokenize, sent tokenize, regexp toke
        nize
        from nltk.corpus import stopwords
        from nltk.stem import PorterStemmer, WordNetLemmatizer
        from wordcloud import WordCloud
        from gensim.corpora.dictionary import Dictionary
        from gensim.models.tfidfmodel import TfidfModel
        from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
        import dask.dataframe as dd
        from sklearn.model selection import train test split
        from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
        from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression
        from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error
        from sklearn.linear model import Lasso
        from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
        from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor
        from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
```

Populating the interactive namespace from numpy and matplotlib

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serWarning: detected Windows; aliasing chunkize to chunkize_serial
 warnings.warn("detected Windows; aliasing chunkize to chunkize_s
erial")

1. Since the raw dataset we collect is monthly data obtained from Airbnb, the first step we did is to read and concatenate 12-month listing data into one dataframe for San Francisco and drop the columns that we do not need after careful consideration and analysis of each column.

In [7]: df=pd.read csv('D:/Ying/University of Maryland/study/2nd semester/t erm A/BUDT758X Data processing and analysis in python/project/listi ngs-2.csv') # drop columns of San Francisco dataframe we don't need in this pro path = r'D:/Ying/University of Maryland/study/2nd semester/term A/B UDT758X Data processing and analysis in python/project/data/SF/list ings' listings sf = glob.glob(os.path.join(path, "*.csv")) df sf = (pd.read csv(f) for f in listings sf) sf = pd.concat(df sf).reindex axis(df.columns, axis=1) sf.drop(['summary','interaction','zipcode','listing_url','scrape_i d', 'space', 'description', 'experiences offered', 'notes', 'thumbnail u rl', 'medium url', 'picture url', 'xl picture url', 'host url', 'host na me', 'host location', 'host neighbourhood', 'host about', 'host accepta nce rate', 'host thumbnail url', 'host picture url', 'host listings co unt', 'host verifications', 'street', 'neighbourhood', 'city', 'market', 'smart location', 'country code', 'country', 'is location exact', 'lati tude', 'longitude', 'weekly price', 'monthly price', 'guests included', 'calendar updated', 'has availability', 'availability 30', 'availabili ty 60', 'availability 90', 'availability 365', 'calendar last scraped' ,'first_review','last_review','license','jurisdiction_names','calcu lated host listings count', axis=1, inplace=True)

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interactivity=interactivity, compiler=compiler, result=result)

- C:\Users\Kathe\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\ipykernel launcher.py:7
- : DtypeWarning: Columns (43) have mixed types. Specify dtype optio
- n on import or set low memory=False.

import sys

sf.shape

- C:\Users\Kathe\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\ipykernel launcher.py:7
- : FutureWarning: '.reindex axis' is deprecated and will be removed
- in a future version. Use '.reindex' instead.

import sys

Out[7]: (104050, 47)

In [7]: sf.index=range(104050)
 sf.tail()

Out[7]:

	id	name	neighborhood_overview	transit	
104045	6272183	Cozy Studio by Golden Gate Park	NaN	NaN	NaN
104046	905902	Elegant Family Flat on GG Park	NEIGHBORHOOD The Sunset is a safe, family frie	TRANSPORTATION Near 4 major MUNI (bus/light ra	The flatatach deck.
104047	2694526	Beach Retreat @Golden Gate Park	THE NEIGHBORHOOD The Inner Richmond is a charm	TRANSPORTATION There are numerous bus lines w	HOUS Guest have a to all comm
104048	254953	Monthly Discounts- Luxury OCEANFRONT City Living	Fabulous Oceanfront location next to Golden Ga	Bus line outside the front door for convenienc	Guest have a by Lu: Living
104049	2397858	Modern Light Airy House by GG Park/Beach w/par	Sleepy local safe seaside residential area whe	Transportation is easy without a car. Public T	Have acces keyles bedro b

5 rows × 47 columns

2.Based on the number of null in each column, we make another column and observation selection

In [202]: sf.isnull().sum()

011+12021•	id	0
Out[202]:	name	25
	neighborhood overview	41337
	transit	38464
	access	39762
	house rules	33788
	host id	0
	host since	111
	host response time	30851
	host response rate	30851
	host is superhost	111
	host total listings count	111
	host_has_profile_pic	111
	host identity verified	111
	neighbourhood_group_cleansed	104050
	state	0
	property type	0
	room type	0
	accommodates	0
	bathrooms	414
	bedrooms	84
	beds	182
	bed type	0
	amenities	0
	square feet	101964
	price	0
	security_deposit	51349
	cleaning fee	26755
	extra people	0
	minimum nights	0
	maximum nights	0
	number of reviews	0
	review_scores_rating	23059
	review scores accuracy	23205
	review scores cleanliness	23177
	review scores checkin	23361
	review_scores_communication	23188
	review scores location	23366
	review scores value	23390
	requires license	0
	instant_bookable	0
	cancellation policy	0
	require guest profile picture	0
	require guest phone verification	0
	reviews per month	21995
	scraped year	0
	scraped month	0
	dtype: int64	v
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3. Replace all possible null value representation with 'nan' and replace null value in columns with mean value, zero, most common case or drop columns with null value after evaluating the characteristic of each of these columns.

```
In [9]: def null(x):
             if x=='NA':
                 return nan
             elif x=='':
                 return nan
             elif x=='-':
                 return nan
             elif x=='--':
                 return nan
             elif x=='\\N':
                 return nan
             elif x=='\s*':
                 return nan
             elif x=='N/A':
                 return nan
             else:
                 return x
        sf=sf.applymap(null)
```

a. Replace n/a in column with 0

```
In [ ]: sf['host_is_superhost'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
    sf['host_is_superhost']=sf['host_is_superhost'].map(lambda x:str(x)
)

In [ ]: sf['host_identity_verified'].replace(nan,0,inplace=True)
    sf['host_identity_verified']=sf['host_identity_verified'].map(lambd
    a x: str(x))

In [ ]: sf['cleaning_fee'].fillna(0 , inplace=True)

In [ ]: sf['reviews_per_month'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
    sf['reviews_per_month']=sf['reviews_per_month'].map(lambda x: int(x))
```

b. Replace nan in column with the column's mean value

```
In [20]: bathroom_t=Series([int(num) for num in sf['bathrooms'].dropna()])
    mean_bathrooms_sf = bathroom_t.mean()
    sf['bathrooms'].fillna(mean_bathrooms_sf , inplace=True)
    sf['bathrooms']=sf['bathrooms'].astype(int)

In []: bedrooms_t=Series([int(num) for num in sf['bedrooms'].dropna()])
    mean_bedrooms_sf = bedrooms_t.mean()
    sf['bedrooms'].fillna(mean_bedrooms_sf , inplace=True)
    sf['bedrooms']=sf['bedrooms'].astype(int)

In []: beds_t=Series([int(num) for num in sf['beds'].dropna()])
    mean_beds_sf = beds_t.mean()
    sf['beds'].fillna(mean_bedrooms_sf , inplace=True)
    sf['beds']=sf['beds'].astype(int)
```

c. Fill nan with specific number based on the business idea

```
In [ ]: # replace n/a in column 'host_response_rate' with 100, because n/a
    means there is no question has been asked so there is no answer
    sf=sf.replace('[%]','',regex=True)
    sf.rename(columns={'host_response_rate':'host_response_rate(%)'}, i
    nplace=True)
    sf['host_response_rate(%)'].fillna(100, inplace=True)
    sf['host_response_rate(%)']=sf['host_response_rate(%)'].map(lambda
    x: int(x))
    sf.head()
```

4.Extract year and month information by separating date.

5. Some variable are set to be categorical variable to facilitate modeling part. 'access' is one of the example.

Column "access" is set to be dummy variable. If column 'access' contains word 'full' or null value, then value of column 'access' is 1, else 0.

```
In [12]: sf['access']=sf['access'].astype(str)
sf.loc[(sf['access'].str.contains('full',na=False))| (sf['access']=
='NaN'), 'access'] = 1
sf.loc[sf['access']!=1, 'access'] = 0
```

6. For column "house_rules", we select rows containing-smoking, party, pet, guest with the help of package 'Re' and set them to dummy variables. If house_rules column mention "smoking", then the value is set to 1; if mention "party", then the value is set to be 2; if mention "pet", then the value is set to be 3; if mention "guest", then the value is set to be 4; if else, value is set to be 0.

7. Convert the column value which are "f" or "t" to 0 and 1, such as column "super_host", "host_identity_verified" and so on.

For those nan, we replace them with 0 which means 'f' based on the way of host thinking.

```
In [ ]: sf['host_is_superhost'].replace('f',0, inplace=True)
    sf['host_is_superhost'].replace('t',1, inplace=True)
    sf['host_is_superhost']= sf['host_is_superhost'].astype(int)
```

```
In [ ]: sf['host_has_profile_pic'].replace('f', 0, inplace=True)
    sf['host_has_profile_pic'].replace('t', 1, inplace=True)
    sf['host_has_profile_pic']=sf['host_has_profile_pic'].astype(int)
```

```
In [ ]: sf['host identity_verified'].replace('f', 0, inplace=True)
        sf['host identity verified'].replace('t', 1, inplace=True)
        sf['host identity verified']=sf['host identity verified'].astype(in
In [ ]: sf['requires_license'].replace('f',0, inplace=True)
        sf['requires license'].replace('t',1, inplace=True)
        sf['requires license']=sf['requires license'].astype(int)
In [ ]: sf['instant_bookable'].replace('f',0, inplace=True)
        sf['instant bookable'].replace('t',1, inplace=True)
        sf['instant bookable']=sf['instant bookable'].astype(int)
In [ ]: sf['require_guest_profile_picture'].replace('f',0, inplace=True)
        sf['require guest profile picture'].replace('t',1, inplace=True)
        sf['require guest profile picture']=sf['require guest profile pictu
        re'].astype(int)
In [ ]: sf['require_guest_phone_verification'].replace('f',0, inplace=True)
        sf['require quest phone verification'].replace('t',1, inplace=True)
        sf['require guest phone verification']=sf['require guest phone veri
        fication'].astype(int)
```

8.According to the sequence of each categorical column's categories, we replace the nan with 'unknown' or 'other' categorical string and convert the column value which are string to numbers in order, eg, room_type, host response time.

```
In [ ]: sf['host_response_time'].fillna('unknown', inplace=True)
    sf['host_response_time']=sf['host_response_time'].map(lambda x : st
    r(x))
    sf['host_response_time'].replace('within an hour',0, inplace=True)
    sf['host_response_time'].replace('within a few hours',1, inplace=Tr
    ue)
    sf['host_response_time'].replace('within a day',2, inplace=True)
    sf['host_response_time'].replace('a few days or more',3, inplace=Tr
    ue)
    sf['host_response_time'].replace('unknown',4, inplace=True)

In [ ]: sf['room_type'].replace('Shared room',0, inplace=True)
    sf['room_type'].replace('Private room',1, inplace=True)
    sf['room_type'].replace('Entire home/apt',2, inplace=True)
```

9. Convert the datatype of each columns to the ones it should be. For example, convert the datatype of column square_feet into float.

```
In [23]: sf['cleaning_fee']=sf['cleaning_fee'].map(lambda x: str(x).strip('$
    ').replace(',',''))
    sf['cleaning_fee']=sf['cleaning_fee'].astype(float)

sf['accommodates']=sf['accommodates'].astype(int)

sf['price']=sf['price'].map(lambda x: str(x).strip('$').replace(',',''))
    sf['price']=sf['price'].astype(float)

sf['extra_people']=sf['extra_people'].map(lambda x: str(x).strip('$').replace(',',''))
    sf['extra_people']=sf['extra_people'].astype(float)

sf['minimum_nights']=sf['minimum_nights'].map(lambda x: int(x))
    sf['maximum_nights']=sf['maximum_nights'].map(lambda x: int(x))

sf['host_since']= sf['host_since'])
    sf['host_since']= sf['host_since'].map(lambda x: dt.datetime.strptime(str(x).strip(), '%Y-%m-%d'))
```

10.Use the column value to filter out unusable observation, eg, state(because we are going to analyze the listings in San Francisco, California, so we remove listings which not in there)

11.To have better performance on prediction and analysis, we combine some categories into one, eg, property_type.

```
In [21]: #check types of property
print(sf['property_type'].unique())

['House' 'Apartment' 'Condominium' 'Bungalow' 'Bed & Breakfast'
    'Townhouse' 'Other' 'Cabin' 'Guesthouse' 'Dorm' 'Loft' 'Hostel'
    'Boutique hotel' 'Camper/RV' 'Treehouse' 'Cave' 'Castle' 'Boat'
    'Timeshare' 'Lighthouse' 'In-law' 'Guest suite' 'Serviced apartme
    nt'
    'Tent' 'Villa' 'Tipi' 'Casa particular']
```

```
In [ ]: sf['property_type']=sf['property_type'].str.replace('Bed & Breakfas
t','Other')
    sf['property_type']=sf['property_type'].str.replace('In-law','Other
')
    sf['property_type']=sf['property_type'].str.replace('Pension (Korea
)','Other')
    sf['property_type']=sf['property_type'].str.replace('Tipi','Tent')
    sf['property_type']=sf['property_type'].str.replace('Yurt','Tent')
```

12. Transform text into useful variables. For example, after spliting the text into phrases and observing the unique value, filter out those irrelevent value then count them (amenity)

```
In [ ]: #extract amenitise and filter out the irrelevant value in column
        amenities sf=list()
        i=0
        for listing in sf['amenities']:
            listing=listing.split(',')
            listing=[i.strip(string.punctuation).strip() for i in listing]
            for item in listing:
                amenities sf.append(item)
        amenities sf=set(amenities sf)
        amenity len = list()
        for listing in sf['amenities']:
            listing=listing.split(',')
            listing=[i.strip(string.punctuation).strip() for i in listing]
            for item in listing:
                if item == ''or'24-hour check-in'or'Self Check-In'or'Cleani
        ng before checkout'or'Smoking allowed'or'Host greets you'or'Long te
        rm stays allowed'or'translation missing: en.hosting amenity 49'or't
        ranslation missing: en.hosting amenity 50':
                    del(item)
            amenity len.append(len(listing))
        sf['amenities']=Series(amenity len)
        sf['amenities'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
        sf['amenities'].head()
```

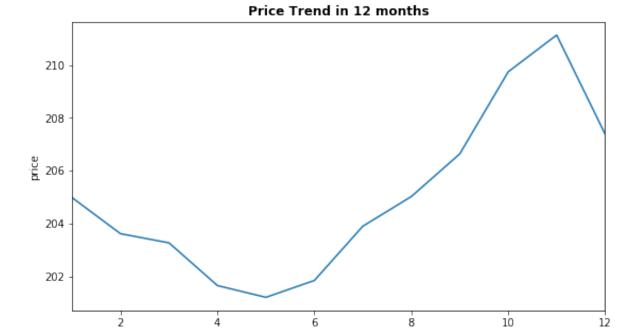
Merge listings dataframe and Review dataframe

```
In [284]: sf_merge.shape
Out[284]: (13133104, 52)
```

Part 3 Explonatory Analysis

Price trend

Out[142]: Text(0.5,1,'Price Trend in 12 months')



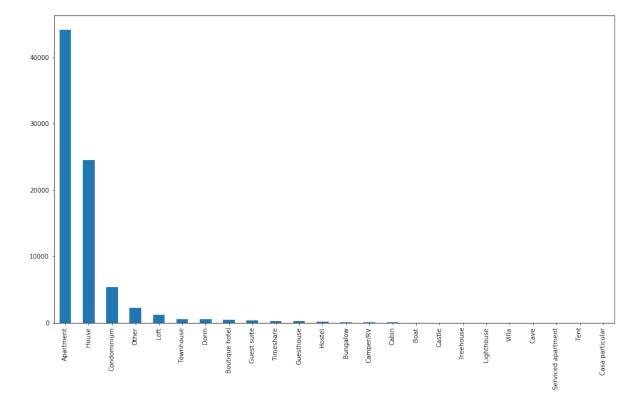
month

From the trend, we can find that the price of average lisiting in San Francisco is higher in winter than in other season bacause peole tend to go to California to spend their winter. If visitors want to get lower price of housing in San Fransico, they should avoid winter.

Room information and Price

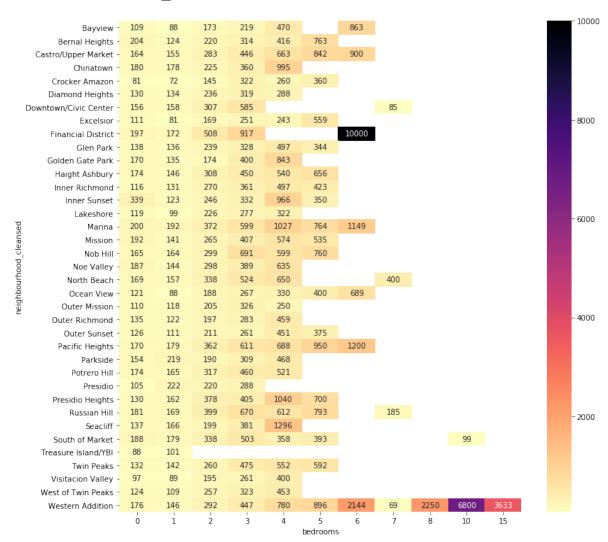
In [143]: sf['property_type'].value_counts().plot('bar',figsize=(16,9))

Out[143]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c30014978>



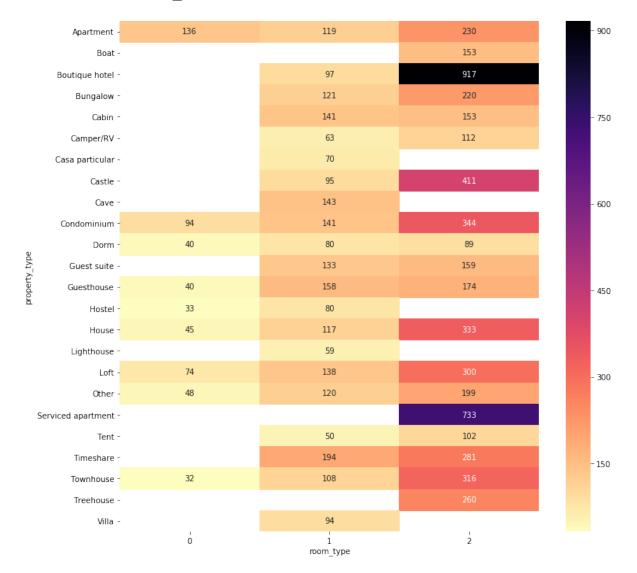
In [144]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,12))
 sns.heatmap(sf.groupby(['neighbourhood_cleansed', 'bedrooms']).pric
 e.mean().unstack(),cmap='magma_r', annot=True, fmt=".0f")

Out[144]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c675c7630>



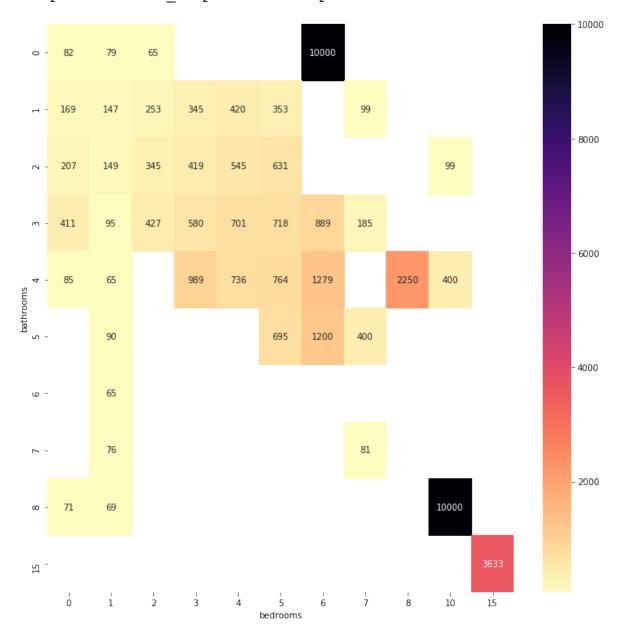
```
In [293]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,12))
    sns.heatmap(sf.groupby(['property_type', 'room_type']).price.mean()
    .unstack(),cmap='magma_r', annot=True, fmt=".0f")
```

Out[293]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c34832748>



In [306]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,12))
 sns.heatmap(sf.groupby(['bathrooms', 'bedrooms']).price.mean().unst
 ack(),cmap='magma_r', annot=True, fmt=".0f")

Out[306]: <matplotlib.axes. subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1d4145e438>



Most of the listings in sf is apartment and house following. The heatmap shows that all the listings' prices broken down by property type and room type, which provides us a much better understanding of the price breakdown in San Fransico based on property and room types. We can know that for almost all property type, prices for Entire home/apartment(room_type=2) are highest. Thus, property type and room type plays a very important role in deciding price of a listing. In addition, we can know that bedrooms numbers have more significant influence on price than bathrooms. To explore more about the features and price, we build models to predict price in following sections.

Multi-listers

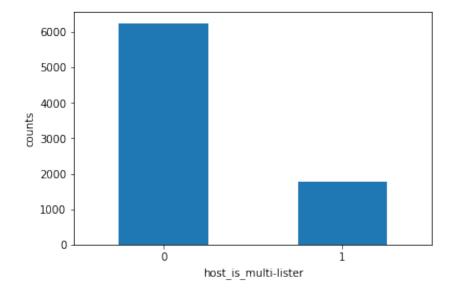
Muli-lister means host who have more than 2 listings in Airbnb. For Airbb, multi-lister is of great importance. More booking will occurs with multi-listers, so they can get more service fees from mluti-listers. In this analysis, we do some analysis of multi-lister by comparing with those who are not multi-listers.

```
In [146]: | sf['host_total_listings_count'].max()
Out[146]: 496.0
In [147]: sf host=sf merge.drop duplicates(subset=['host id'], keep='first')
In [148]: | sf_host['host_is_multi-lister'] = sf_host['host_total_listings count
           'l.apply(lambda x: 1 if x>1 else 0)
          /Users/macintoshhd/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel
          launcher.py:1: SettingWithCopyWarning:
          A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
          Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead
          See the caveats in the documentation: http://pandas.pydata.org/pan
          das-docs/stable/indexing.html#indexing-view-versus-copy
            """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.
In [149]: sf_host['host_is_multi-lister'].value_counts()
Out[149]: 0
               6247
               1786
```

Name: host is multi-lister, dtype: int64

```
In [150]: sf_host['host_is_multi-lister'].value_counts().plot(kind='bar',rot=
0)
    plt.xlabel('host_is_multi-lister')
    plt.ylabel('counts')
```

Out[150]: Text(0,0.5,'counts')



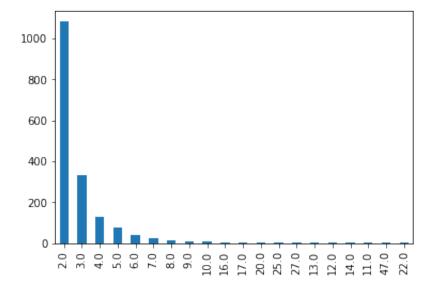
```
In [151]: sf_multi=sf_host[sf_host['host_is_multi-lister']==1]
    sf_multi['host_total_listings_count'].value_counts(normalize=True).
    head()
```

Out[151]: 2.0 0.604703 3.0 0.186450 4.0 0.070549 5.0 0.043673 6.0 0.021277

Name: host total listings count, dtype: float64

```
In [152]: sf_multi['host_total_listings_count'].value_counts().head(20).plot(
    'bar')
```

Out[152]: <matplotlib.axes. subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c4d2dca90>



There are less multi-listers in SF. 60.47% of multi-listers have 2 rooms for listing. The maximum lisitings number of multi-lister is 496.0.

1.Multi-lister & superhost

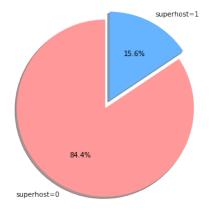
Since data are 12-month data from San Fransico, we need to drop duplicate data to get accurate analysing result. In order to get the percentage of superhost of multi-listers, we need to drop duplicate multi-lister.

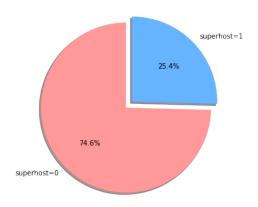
Out[153]:

host_is_multi-lister	0	1
host_is_superhost		
0	5271	1332
1	976	454

```
In [154]: | # multi-lister=0
          # Pie chart
          fig=plt.figure(figsize=(12,7))
          ax1 = plt.subplot(121)
          ax2 = plt.subplot(122)
          plt.title('Whether multi-lister is more possible to be super host',
          fontweight='bold', x=-0.2,fontsize=12)
          labels = ['superhost=0', 'superhost=1']
          sizes = [5271, 976]
          explode = (0, 0.1)
          colors = ['#ff9999','#66b3ff']
          ax1.pie(sizes, explode=explode, labels=labels, colors=colors, autop
          ct='%1.1f%%',
                  shadow=True, startangle=90)
          ax1.axis('equal')
          ax1.set xlabel('multi-lister=0',fontsize=15)
          # multi-lister=1
          labels = ['superhost=0', 'superhost=1']
          sizes1 = [1332, 454]
          explode = (0, 0.1)
          colors = ['#ff9999','#66b3ff']
          ax2.pie(sizes1, explode=explode, labels=labels, colors=colors, auto
          pct='%1.1f%%',
                  shadow=True, startangle=90)
          ax2.set xlabel('multi-lister=1', fontsize=15)
          ax2.axis('equal')
          plt.tight layout()
          plt.show()
```

Whether multi-lister is more possible to be super host





multi-lister=0

multi-lister=1

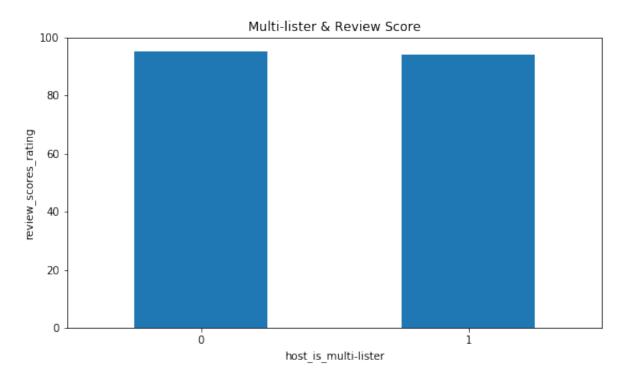
From the pie chart, we can know that multi-listers are more plikely to be superhost than those whoa are not multi-listers

2. Multi-lister & Reviews

In [155]:

scores=sf host.groupby(by=['host is multi-lister'])['review scores

Out[156]: Text(0.5,1,'Multi-lister & Review Score')

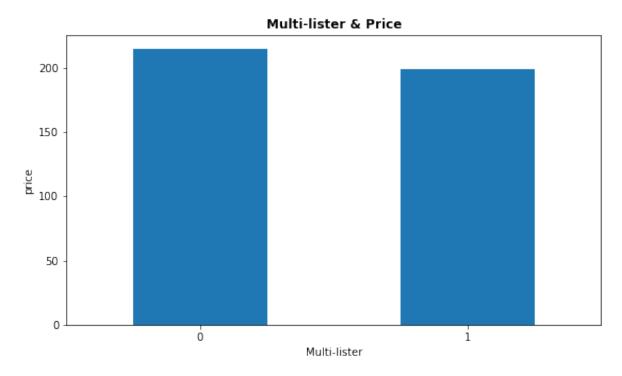


From the plot, we can know that multi-lister have slight lower review score than those who are not multi-listers.

3. Multi-lister & Price

```
In [157]: sf_host.groupby(by=['host_is_multi-lister'])['price'].mean().plot(k
   ind='bar',figsize=(9,5),rot=0)
   plt.xlabel('Multi-lister')
   plt.ylabel('price')
   plt.title('Multi-lister & Price',fontweight='bold',fontsize=12)
```

Out[157]: Text(0.5,1,'Multi-lister & Price')



From the plot, we can know that multi-lister have slight lower price than those who are not multi-listers.

Part 4 Modelling

Data preparing:

1.Extract useful columns for modelling

2. Change specific columns into categorical variables

```
In [ ]: sf_price['access']= sf_price['access'].astype('category')
        sf price['house rules'] = sf price['house rules'].astype('category')
        sf price['host response time'] = sf price['host response time'].asty
        pe('category')
        sf_price['host_is_superhost'] = sf_price['host_is_superhost'].astype
        ('category')
        sf_price['host_has_profile_pic']= sf_price['host_has_profile pic'].
        astype('category')
        sf_price['host_identity_verified']= sf_price['host_identity_verifie
        d'].astype('category')
        sf_price['room_type'] = sf_price['room_type'].astype('category')
        sf_price['requires_license'] = sf_price['requires_license'].astype('
        sf_price['instant_bookable'] = sf_price['instant_bookable'].astype('
        category')
        sf price['require guest profile picture']= sf price['require guest
        profile_picture'].astype('category')
        sf price['require guest phone verification']= sf price['require gue
        st phone verification'].astype('category')
```

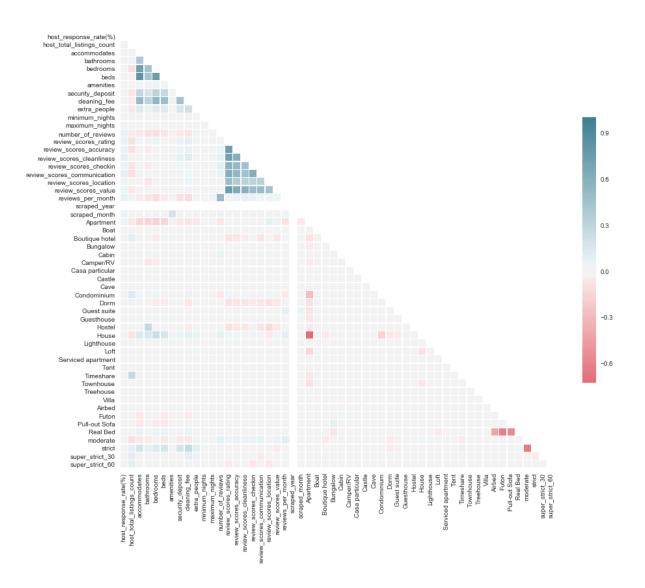
3.Get dummies variables, eg, property type, bed type, cancellation policy and so on

```
In [ ]: ptype_dummies = pd.get_dummies(sf_price['property_type'])
    ptype_dummies.applymap(np.int)
    step_1 = pd.concat([sf_price, ptype_dummies], axis=1)
    step_1.drop(['property_type', 'Other'], inplace=True, axis=1)

In [ ]: bedtype_dummies = pd.get_dummies(sf_price['bed_type'])
    bedtype_dummies.applymap(np.int)
```

step_2 = pd.concat([step_1, bedtype_dummies], axis=1)
step_2.drop(['bed_type','Couch'], inplace=True, axis=1)

4. Check the correalation between all variables in step_3 (x variables)



As the definition, when the absolute correlation value of two variables is higher than 0.8, then these two variables are correlated. So based on the graph above, these groups of variables are highly correlated: accommodates and bedrooms, accommodates and bed, the review scores. Because So we remove the variables: bedrooms, review_scores_accuracy, review_scores_cleanliness, review_scores_value.

```
In [ ]: sf_price.drop(['accommodates','review_scores_accuracy','review_scores_cleanliness', 'review_scores_value'],axis=1, inplace=True)
    p = np.array(sf['price'])
    sf_price['price']=p
```

5. Transform columns' values into x and y, split the data set into training, validation and testing, and scale the x variables

```
In []: X = sf_price.iloc [:,0:-1].values
y = sf_price.iloc[:,61].values

X_rest, X_test, y_rest, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size =
.1, random_state = 0)

X_train, X_val, y_train, y_val = train_test_split(X, y, test_size =
.25, random_state = 0)

sc = StandardScaler()
sc.fit(X_train)
X_train = sc.transform(X_train)
X_val = sc.transform(X_val)
X_test = sc.transform(X_test)
```

Building model:

1.linear regression

```
In []: lr = LinearRegression()
lr.fit(X_train, y_train)

#calculate the rmse on validation dataset
y_vpred_linear = lr.predict(X_val)
linear_rmse = np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_val,y_vpred_linear))

In [258]: #apply on testing data
y_tpred_linear = lr.predict(X_test)
linear_rmse_test = np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test,y_tpred_linear))
linear_rmse_test
Out[258]: 252.9663011682556
```

2.Lasso model

```
In [260]: lasso model = Lasso(alpha=0.1)
          alphas = np.logspace(-4, 4, 30)
          tuned parameters = [{'alpha': alphas}]
          n folds = 10
          CV lasso = GridSearchCV(lasso model, tuned parameters, cv=n folds,
          refit=True,scoring='neg_mean_squared_error',)
          CV lasso.fit(X rest, y rest)
Out[260]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error score='raise',
                 estimator=Lasso(alpha=0.1, copy X=True, fit intercept=True,
          max iter=1000,
             normalize=False, positive=False, precompute=False, random state
             selection='cyclic', tol=0.0001, warm start=False),
                 fit params=None, iid=True, n jobs=1,
                 param grid=[{'alpha': array([1.00000e-04, 1.88739e-04, 3.56
          225e-04, 6.72336e-04, 1.26896e-03,
                 2.39503e-03, 4.52035e-03, 8.53168e-03, 1.61026e-02, 3.03920
          e-02,
                 5.73615e-02, 1.08264e-01, 2.04336e-01, 3.85662e-01, 7.27895
          e-01,
                 1.37382e+00, 2.59294e+00, 4.89390e+00, 9.23671e+00, 1.74333
          e+01,
                 3.29034e+01, 6.21017e+01, 1.17210e+02, 2.21222e+02, 4.17532
          e+02,
                 7.88046e+02, 1.48735e+03, 2.80722e+03, 5.29832e+03, 1.00000
          e+04])}],
                 pre dispatch='2*n jobs', refit=True, return train score='wa
          rn',
                 scoring='neg mean squared error', verbose=0)
In [261]: #minimum average RMSE on validation dataset
          lassov = sqrt(CV lasso.best score *-1)
          lassov
Out[261]: 219.739368219543
In [263]: #apply on testing data
          y tpred lassob = CV lasso.predict(X test)
          lassob_rmse_test = np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test,y_tpred_lassob
          ))
          lassob rmse test
```

3.Regression Tree

Out[263]: 292.8737132149961

```
In [265]: tree model = DecisionTreeRegressor()
          params = {'min samples split': [5,10,25,50], 'max depth': [5,10,25]
          rt grid = GridSearchCV(tree model, param grid=params, refit=True, s
          coring='neg mean squared error', cv=n folds)
          rt grid.fit(X rest, y rest)
Out[265]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error score='raise',
                 estimator=DecisionTreeRegressor(criterion='mse', max depth=
          None, max features=None,
                     max leaf nodes=None, min impurity decrease=0.0,
                     min impurity split=None, min samples leaf=1,
                     min samples split=2, min weight fraction leaf=0.0,
                     presort=False, random state=None, splitter='best'),
                 fit params=None, iid=True, n jobs=1,
                 param grid={'min samples split': [5, 10, 25, 50], 'max dept
          h': [5, 10, 25]},
                 pre dispatch='2*n jobs', refit=True, return train score='wa
          rn',
                 scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)
          #average RMSE on validation dataset
In [269]:
          rfv = sqrt(rt grid.best score *-1)
          rfv
Out[269]: 141.96678147279817
In [270]: #calculate rmse on testing dataset
          y tpred rtb=rt grid.predict(X test)
          rtb_rmse_test = np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test,y_tpred_rtb))
          rtb rmse test
```

4.Random Forest

Out[102]: 185.75182679845983

Out[270]: 292.4503117102658

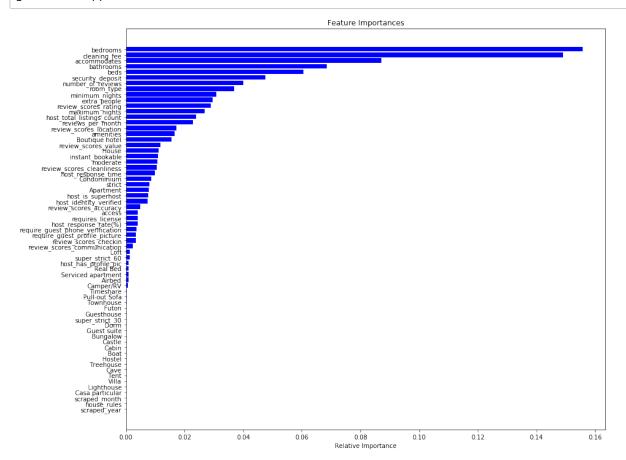
```
In [105]: CV rfr.best estimator
Out[105]: RandomForestRegressor(bootstrap=True, criterion='mse', max depth=N
          one,
                     max features=13, max leaf nodes=None, min impurity decr
          ease=0.0,
                     min impurity split=None, min samples leaf=1,
                     min samples split=2, min weight fraction leaf=0.0,
                     n estimators=200, n jobs=1, oob score=False, random sta
          te=None,
                     verbose=0, warm start=False)
In [122]:
          #Applying the best parameters to build best random forest
          rfb model = RandomForestRegressor( max features=13, n estimators=20
          0)
          rfb_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
          y vpred rf = CV rfr.predict(X val)
          rf rmse = np.sqrt(mean squared error(y val,y vpred rf))
          rf rmse
Out[122]: 185.75182679845983
In [171]: #RMSE on testing data
          y_tpred_rf = CV_rfr.predict(X_test)
          rf rmse_test = np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test,y_tpred_rf))
          rf rmse test
```

Out[171]: 129.13345929088675

Compared all rmse getting from different model on testing dataset, random forest model offers the best prediction.

```
In [143]: features = sf_price.columns
    importances = rfb_model.feature_importances_
    indices = np.argsort(importances)

plt.figure(figsize=(14,12))
    plt.title('Feature Importances')
    plt.barh(range(len(indices)), importances[indices], color='b', align='center')
    plt.yticks(range(len(indices)), features[indices])
    plt.xlabel('Relative Importance')
    plt.show()
```



Recommendations

And after interpreting the result, we found that the number of bedrooms and bathrooms and the amount of cleaning fee seems to have significant influence on listing's price. So, we recommand host be careful the number of bedrooms and bathrooms and the amount of cleaning fee when they decide to have competitive listings' price.

Part 5 Text Mining

Customer review always can help business know more about what their customers think and care so that it can know how to improve their product and even discover new opportunities. Thus, conducting text mining is very conductive. In this analysis, we perform text mining in order to know what tenant care most of listing and advice host to pay more attention on those requirement to increase the satisfation of both parties.

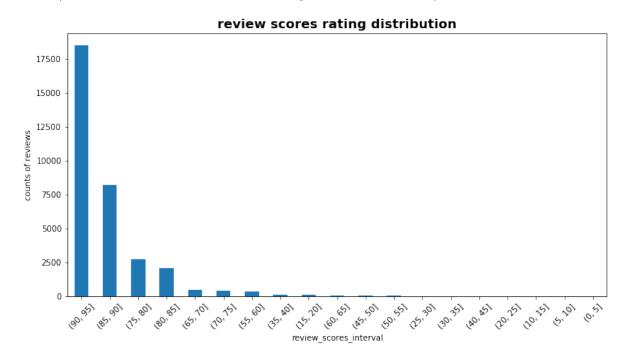
Becasue of huge data volume, we have to use only part of the dataset to do text mining. From the distribution graph of rating scores, we can know that high rating scores account for significant proportion of total rating scores.

Based on the rating scores distribution, we decide to use the listings with high rating scores and low rating scores to do text mining to discover what customer care about the listings.

High rating scores in this analysis means: rating scores=100 Low rating scores in this analysis means: rating scores <85

```
In [307]: # review score of sf
sf['review_scores_interval'].value_counts().plot('bar',figsize=(12,
6),rot=45,)
plt.xlabel('review_scores_interval')
plt.ylabel('counts of reviews')
plt.title('review scores rating distribution',fontsize=16,fontweigh
t='bold')
```

Out[307]: Text(0.5,1, 'review scores rating distribution')



```
In [308]: sf merge['review scores rating'].value counts()
Out[308]: 95.0
                    3102481
           94.0
                    2100982
           93.0
                    1779804
           92.0
                    1328619
           91.0
                     957513
           90.0
                     842024
           89.0
                     666327
           88.0
                     559550
           87.0
                     546133
           86.0
                     357873
           85.0
                     190399
           84.0
                     157883
           83.0
                     135160
           80.0
                     113330
           82.0
                      79410
                      56618
           81.0
           78.0
                      27241
           79.0
                      25531
           75.0
                      20734
           76.0
                      18643
           77.0
                      17963
           73.0
                      15154
           70.0
                       7834
           68.0
                       7517
           69.0
                       7059
           74.0
                       6107
           67.0
                       6099
           72.0
                       5794
           60.0
                       5635
           71.0
                       3514
           40.0
                       1789
           65.0
                       1548
           20.0
                       1205
           63.0
                       1093
           64.0
                        800
           50.0
                        623
           53.0
                        600
           66.0
                        523
           48.0
                         57
           62.0
                          39
           30.0
                         33
           33.0
                         19
           28.0
                         15
           56.0
                           8
                           7
           44.0
           45.0
           Name: review scores rating, dtype: int64
```

In [309]: sf high=sf merge[(sf merge['review scores rating']==95)]

```
In [310]: sf high.shape
Out[310]: (3102481, 48)
In [311]: # Convert text to lower case
          sf high['comments'] = sf high['comments'].map(lambda x: x.lower())
          /Users/macintoshhd/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel
          launcher.py:2: SettingWithCopyWarning:
          A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
          Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead
          See the caveats in the documentation: http://pandas.pydata.org/pan
          das-docs/stable/indexing.html#indexing-view-versus-copy
In [312]: # Remove unnecessary punctuation
          import string
          sf_high['comments']=sf_high['comments'].str.replace('[{}]'.format(s
          tring.punctuation), '')
          /Users/macintoshhd/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel
          launcher.py:3: SettingWithCopyWarning:
          A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
          Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead
          See the caveats in the documentation: http://pandas.pydata.org/pan
          das-docs/stable/indexing.html#indexing-view-versus-copy
            This is separate from the ipykernel package so we can avoid doin
          g imports until
In [313]:
          words=sf high['comments'].map(lambda x: regexp tokenize(x, '[^., ]+
           '))
In [314]: words[0:10]
Out[314]: 2417
                  [denise, is, very, nice, and, patient, touring...
                  [great, place, the, location, and, description...
          2418
          2419
                  [the, host, canceled, this, reservation, 121, ...
          2420
                  [my, husband, and, i, came, to, sf, to, get, m...
          2421
                  [wunderschönes, haus, wunderbare, gastgeberin,...
          2422
                  [denise, is, very, nice, and, patient, touring...
          2423
                  [great, place, the, location, and, description...
                  [the, host, canceled, this, reservation, 121, ...
          2424
          2425
                  [my, husband, and, i, came, to, sf, to, get, m...
          2426
                  [wunderschönes, haus, wunderbare, gastgeberin,...
          Name: comments, dtype: object
```

```
In [315]: # flatten words list
          words all=[]
          for word 1 in words:
               for word in word 1:
                  words all.append(word)
In [316]: words all[0:10]
Out[316]: ['denise',
            'is',
           'very',
            'nice',
            'and',
            'patient',
            'touring',
           'us',
            'around',
           'introducing']
In [317]: words = [word for word in words all if word not in ['san francisco'
           ,'stay','great','stay','feel','enjoy','love','place','recommend','n
          eed','home','come back','airbnb','visit']]
  In [ ]: # remove stopwords
          words = [word for word in words all if word not in stopwords.words(
           'english')]
  In [3]: words[0:10]
          NameError
                                                     Traceback (most recent c
          all last)
          <ipython-input-3-6297da34fc8b> in <module>()
          ---> 1 words[0:10]
          NameError: name 'words' is not defined
 In [86]: len(words)
 Out[86]: 62279379
 In [87]: | ps = PorterStemmer()
          words = [ps.stem(word) for word in words]
          lmtzr = WordNetLemmatizer()
          words stem = [lmtzr.lemmatize(word) for word in words]
```

```
In [109]: words stem[0:10]
Out[109]: ['realli',
            'enjoy',
            'stay',
            'harris',
            'place',
            'harri',
            'amaz',
            'host',
            'place',
            'describ']
 In [94]: words_final = [word for word in words_stem if word not in stopwords
           .words('english')]
 In [95]: len(words_final)
 Out[95]: 62098957
 In [98]:
           'the' in words_final
Out[98]: False
In [110]: c = Counter(words stem)
In [101]: fd = FreqDist(Text(words final))
In [102]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,4))
           fd.plot(20, title='20 most frequently appear words')
                                         20 most frequently appear words
             1400000
             1200000
             1000000
              800000
              600000
              400000
```

Samples

```
In [105]: wc = WordCloud(background_color='white,collocations=False').generat
    e(' '.join(words_final))
    plt.figure(figsize=(8,8))
    plt.xticks([])
    plt.yticks([])
    plt.imshow(wc)
    plt.title('High reviewing score');
```

```
High reviewing score

| Solder | Sate | Sate
```

From the frequency chart and wordcloud, we can know that transportation and location are important features for tenants. Also, most of the reviews are positive words, which means airbnb in san francisco provide

Low reviewing score

```
words=sf low['comments'].map(lambda x: regexp tokenize(x, '[^., ]+'
In [17]:
         ))
In [64]: | words.head()
Out[64]: 371553
                    [everything, was, perfectly, satisfactory, onc...
         371554
                    [do, not, stay, here, apartment, was, filthy, ...
         371555
                    [i, didnt, get, a, chance, to, meet, philip, a...
         371556
                    [the, apartment, is, very, good, clean, beauti...
         371557
                                                         [great, stay]
         Name: comments, dtype: object
In [18]: words_all=[]
         for word 1 in words:
             for word in word 1:
                  words all.append(word)
```

```
In [20]: #ps = PorterStemmer()
    #words_all = [ps.stem(word) for word in words]

lmtzr = WordNetLemmatizer()
    words_stem = [lmtzr.lemmatize(word) for word in words]
```

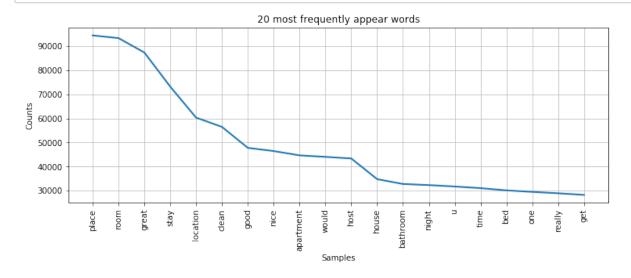
In [21]: 'that' in words stem

Out[21]: False

In [23]: c = Counter(words_stem)

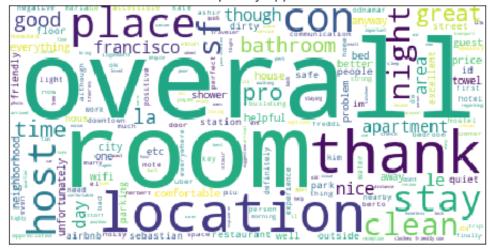
In [24]: fd = FreqDist(Text(words stem))

In [25]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,4))
fd.plot(20, title='20 most frequently appear words')



```
In [28]: wc = WordCloud(background_color='white').generate(' '.join(fd))
    plt.figure(figsize=(8,8))
    plt.xticks([])
    plt.yticks([])
    plt.imshow(wc)
    plt.title('20 most frequently appear words');
```

20 most frequently appear words



Based on the wordcloud from the reviews with lower review scores, we learn that customers who graded low scores on listings are more care about the listing's overall condition, the condiction of room, the location of the listing, the host, the cleanness.