Airbnb Data Analysis and Big Data Pipeline



OVERVIEW

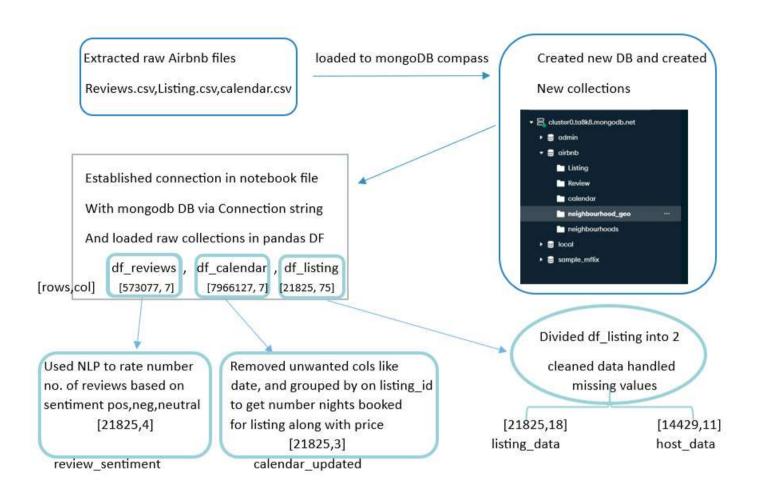
This project centers around the analysis of a large dataset from Airbnb. The dataset provides insights into Airbnb listings in Toronto, including details about the listings, reviews, prices, host information, and availability. The project aims to build a big data pipeline to process, store, and analyze this data using various tools and technologies, such as MongoDB, SQL Server, SSMS, Power BI, and SSIS. The key objective is to perform data extraction, transformation, and loading (ETL), and generate visual insights to support decision-making.

DATASET

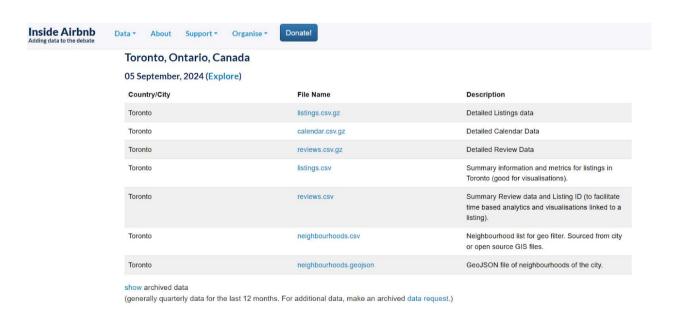
The **Airbnb dataset** sourced from <u>InsideAirbnb</u> includes several key components:

- 1. **Listings Data**: Contains information about the properties listed on Airbnb (e.g., location, price, amenities, and room types).
- 2. Reviews Data: Includes user comments and ratings for each listing.
- 3. Calendar Data: Provides information on the availability of listings over time (e.g., prices, minimum stay requirements).
- 4. **Host Data**: Contains details about Airbnb hosts (e.g., host name, response rate, and location).

The project uses these data components to derive insights into customer sentiments, pricing patterns, and host behaviors in the **Toronto** market.



Importing raw tables from source... to mongodb

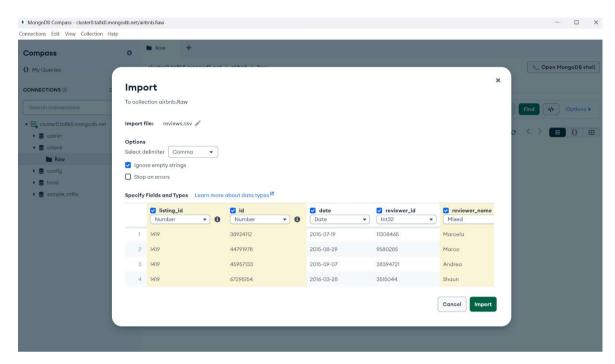


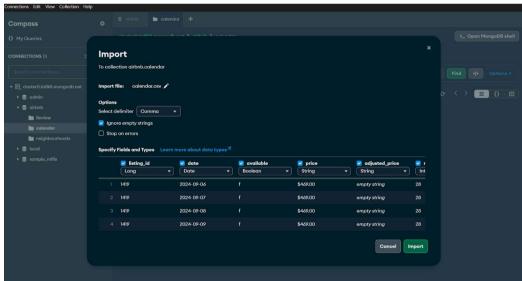
1. Uploading Data to MongoDB:

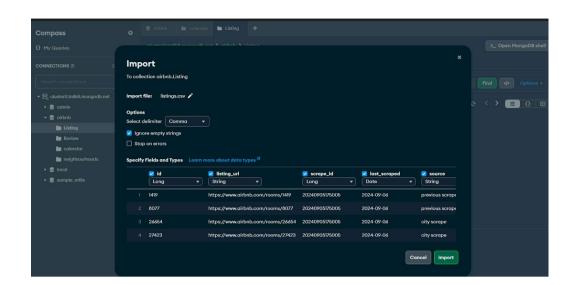
In the initial stage of the project, the raw Airbnb data was loaded into **MongoDB**, a NoSQL database, to take advantage of its flexible, schema-less structure. MongoDB collections were used to store raw data without requiring extensive preprocessing.

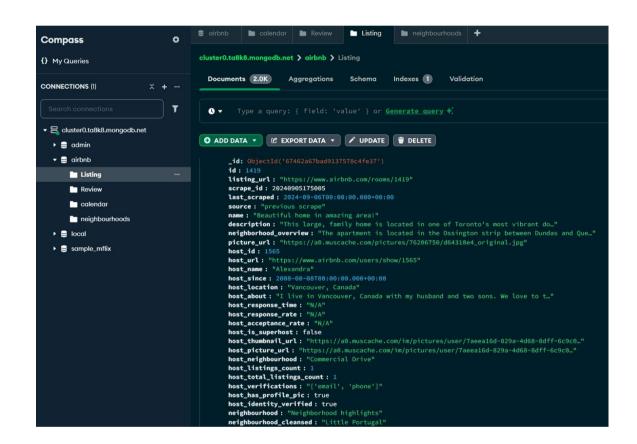
- Database Name: airbnb
- Collections:
 - listings
 - reviews
 - o calendar
 - o hosts

This approach allowed easy storage of diverse data types, such as JSON-like documents, and enabled efficient retrieval for analysis.









Connecting to MongoDB from Jupyter Notebook:

After uploading the data to MongoDB, we established a connection using **Python** and the **PyMongo** library. We accessed the MongoDB collections and imported the data into **Pandas DataFrames** for further exploration and preprocessing. This allowed for detailed analysis and manipulation of the raw data.

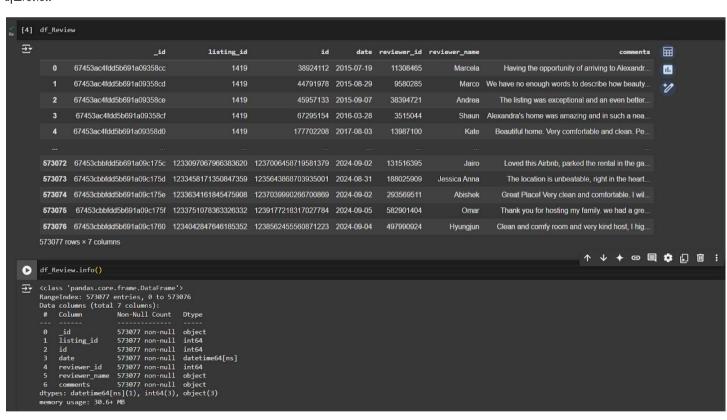
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[2] from pymongo import MongoClient
client=MongoClient('mongodb+srv://azure:1234@cluster0.ta8k8.mongodb.net/?retryWrites=true&w=majority&appName=Cluster0')
db=client.airbnb
collection_Listing=db.Listing
collection_Calendar=db.Calendar

import pandas as pd

# Fetch all data from the collection
Review = list(collection_Review.find())
Listing = list(collection_Listing.find())
Calendar = list(collection_Calendar.find())

# Create DataFrames
df_Review = pd.DataFrame(Review)
df_Listing = pd.DataFrame(Listing)
df_Calendar = pd.DataFrame(Calendar)
```

df_review



→ Created new df out of df_review with new sentiment column

```
from textblob import TextBlob
import pandas as pd

def analyze_sentiment(comment):
    comment = str(comment)
    if not comment or pd.isnull(comment): # Handle blank or NaN comments
        return "neutral"
    analysis = TextBlob(comment)
    if analysis.sentiment.polarity > 0:
        return "positive"
    elif analysis.sentiment.polarity < 0:
        return "neutral"

df_sentiment = df_Review.drop(columns=['_id', 'id', 'date', 'reviewer_name'])
    df_sentiment['sentiment'] = df_sentiment['comments'].apply(analyze_sentiment)

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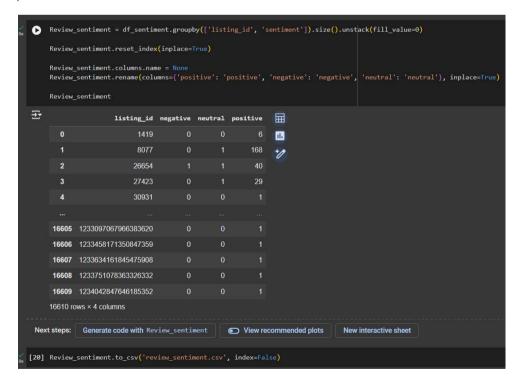
sentiment

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    neutral 45781
    negative 6191

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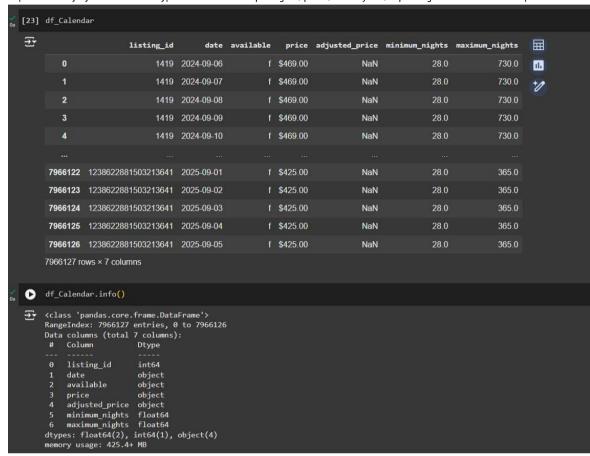
We used the TextBlob library for its simplicity and effectiveness in performing sentiment analysis on user comments. By dropping unnecessary columns ('_id', 'id', 'date', 'reviewer_name') from our DataFrame, we focused on the relevant data. We then analyzed the sentiment of the 'comments' column and added a new 'sentiment' column to the DataFrame, indicating whether each comment was positive, negative, or neutral.

-> Next, we analyzed the sentiment of reviews for each listing by grouping the data by listing_id and counting the occurrences of positive, negative, and neutral sentiments. Using pandas' groupby and unstack functions, we created a new DataFrame, Review_sentiment, which summarizes the sentiment distribution for each listing. This structured data will aid in identifying trends in customer feedback and inform our report. We also exported the results to a CSV file.



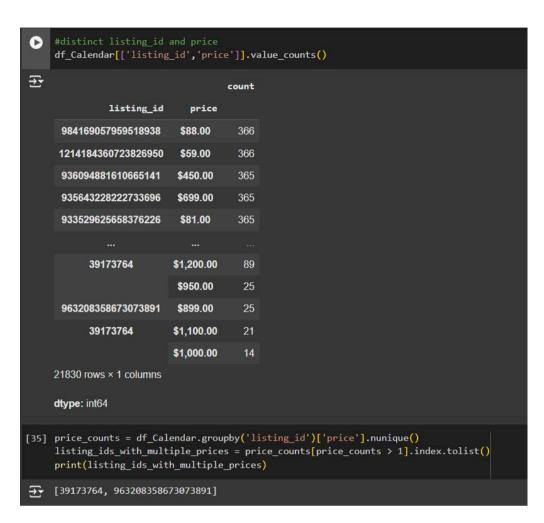
Now onto next part which is df_Calender total rows almost 8 million, we only pick insights what we want

df_Calendar DataFrame containing approximately 8 million rows and 7 columns. It includes data on listing IDs, dates, availability, prices, and minimum night required to stay by host. The data types indicate a mix of integers, floats, and objects, reflecting the diverse nature of the dataset.

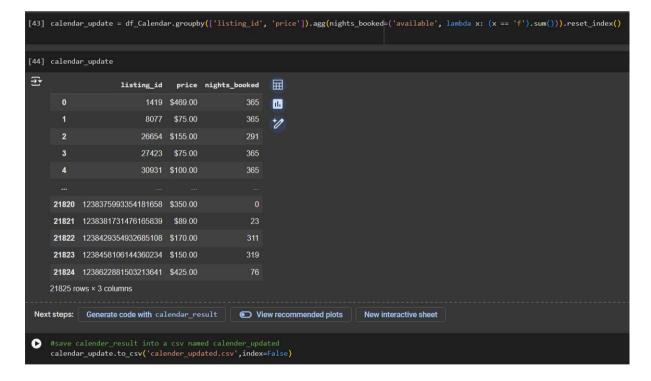


On looking the data calendar has info about each listing day wise for past year 24/23 we will only pick price per listing and number of days it was available in last calendar year

Also we found out that for two listing price changes thus we take average of the price as per frequency

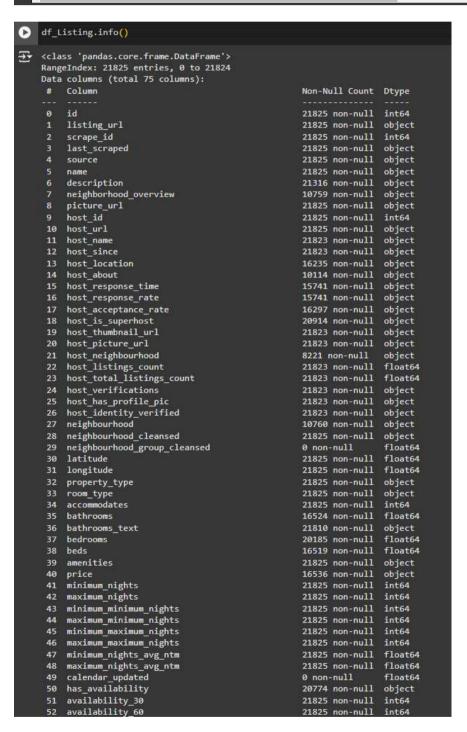


We transformed the original df_Calendar DataFrame by grouping it by listing_id and price, and aggregated the count of 'f' in the available column to create a new column called nights_booked. Also saved the result to a CSV file named calender_updated.csv.



Now onto df_listing



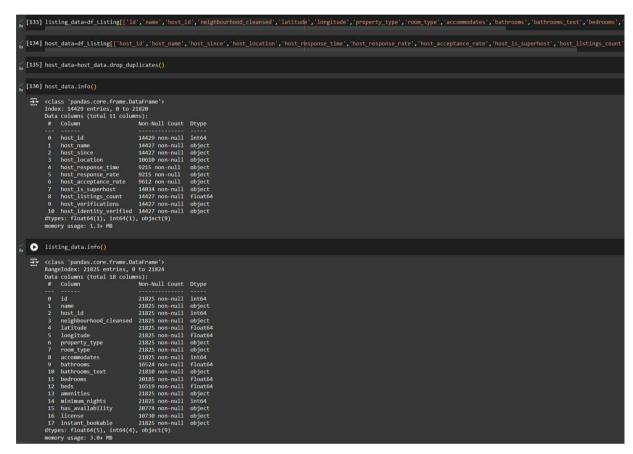


It provides info on **Airbnb listings** in Toronto, detailing both **host** and **listing** attributes.

For better analysis and organization, we propose splitting the data into two tables:

- 1. host_data: This table will focus on host-specific information, including host_id, host_name, host_since, and host_response_time,etc
- 2. listings_data: This table will contain details about the listings, such as id, location, rooms, availability, and review data,etc

By dividing the data in this manner, we can easily explore host behavior and listing trends, while removing unnecessary columns (like URLs,timestamps,etc) to simplify the dataset for more focused analysis.



Handling missing values for column license, bathrooms, bedrooms, beds, has availability

NaN values in license & has_availibility were replaced by 'unlicensed' and 'f' respectively

To handle missing values in ,bathrooms, bedrooms,beds more complex ML based approach was used

```
[130] # Create a new column 'bathrooms' by extracting the numeric part from 'bathrooms_text'
    df_Listing['bathrooms'] = df_Listing['bathrooms_text'].str.extract(r'(\d+\.?\d*))'[0].astype(float)

# Handle specific cases for 'Private half-bath' and 'Shared half-bath', na=False), 'bathrooms'] = 0.5

df_Listing.loc(df_Listing['bathrooms_text'].str.contains('Private half-bath', na=False), 'bathrooms'] = 0.5

[138] def estimate_bedrooms(row):
    if pd.isna(row('bedrooms']):
        if row['room_type'] == 'Entire home/apt':
            return max(1, row['accommodates'] // 2)
        elif row['room_type'] == 'Private room':
            return 1
        elif row['room_type'] == 'Shared room':
            return 1
        elif row['room_type'] == 'Hotel room':
            return 1
        return row['bedrooms']
    listing_data['bedrooms'] = listing_data.apply(estimate_bedrooms, axis=1)

[139] #save host_data and listing_data in csv
        host_data.to_csv('listing_data.csv',index=False)
    listing_data.to_csv('listing_data.csv',index=False)
```

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
df_non_null = df[df['bedrooms'].notnull()]
df_null = df[df['bedrooms'].isnull()]
X = df_non_null[['accommodates', 'bathrooms', 'beds']]
y = df_non_null['bedrooms']
X['beds'].fillna(X['beds'].median(), inplace=True)
df_null['beds'].fillna(df_null['beds'].median(), inplace=True)
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
model = RandomForestRegressor(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)
model.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
print(f"RMSE: {np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred))}")
X_null = df_null[['accommodates', 'bathrooms', 'beds']]
df_null['bedrooms'] = model.predict(X_null).round().astype(int)
df.loc[df['bedrooms'].isnull(), 'bedrooms'] = df_null['bedrooms']
print(df[['accommodates', 'bathrooms', 'beds', 'bedrooms']].head(10))
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#f_non_null_beds = df[df['beds'].notnull()]
df_null_beds = df[df['beds'].isnull()]

X_beds = df_non_null_beds[['property_type', 'room_type', 'accommodates', 'bathrooms', 'bedrooms']]
y_beds = df_non_null_beds['beds']

X_beds = pd.get_dummies(X_beds, drop_first=True)
df_null_beds = pd.get_dummies(df_null_beds, drop_first=True)

X_beds, df_null_beds = X_beds.align(df_null_beds, join='left', axis=1, fill_value=0)

X_train_beds, X_test_beds, y_train_beds, y_test_beds = train_test_split(X_beds, y_beds, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)

model_beds = RandomForestRegressor(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)
model_beds.fit(X_train_beds, y_train_beds)

y_pred_beds = model_beds.predict(X_test_beds)
print(f"RMSE: {np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test_beds, y_pred_beds))}")

X_null_beds = df_null_beds[X_beds.columns]
df_null_beds['beds'] = model_beds.predict(X_null_beds).round().astype(int)

df.loc[df['beds'].isnull(), 'beds'] = df_null_beds['beds']
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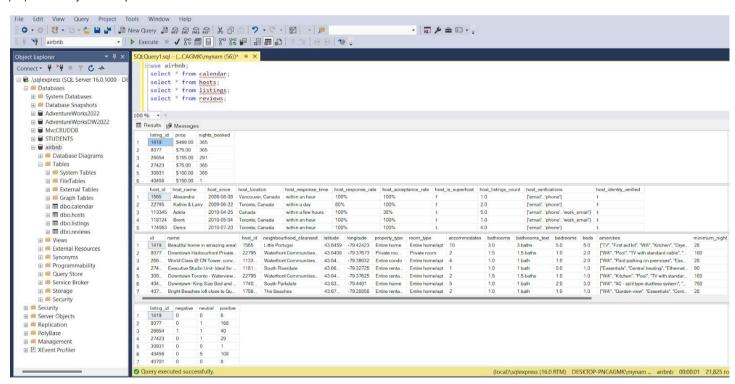
Missing values in host_data were handled for the columns host_location, host_response_time, host_response_rate, and host_acceptance_rate by employing appropriate imputation techniques such as filling with placeholders, averages, medians, or the most frequent values, depending on the context and data type.

Part -2 (SSMS) query + combining tables + analysing + exploration

After the data extraction and transformation process, we uploaded the clean data to a database schema (AirbnbDB) in an SQL server through an automated process in Python. An extract of the program is shown below.

```
import pyodbc
import pandas as pd
import os
server = r'DESKTOP-IG5740N\SOLEXPRESS'
database = 'AirbnbDB' # Database name
connection_string_master = f"DRIVER={{ODBC Driver 17 for SQL Server}};SERVER={server};DATABASE=master;Trusted_Connection=yes;"
conn_master = pyodbc.connect(connection_string_master)
conn_master.autocommit = True # Enable autocommit for CREATE DATABASE
cursor_master = conn_master.cursor()
print(f"Creating database '{database}' if it does not exist...")
cursor_master.execute(f"IF NOT EXISTS (SELECT name FROM sys.databases WHERE name = '{database}') CREATE DATABASE {database}")
cursor master.close()
conn_master.close()
connection_string = f"DRIVER={{ODBC Driver 17 for SQL Server}};SERVER={server};DATABASE={database};Trusted_Connection=yes;"
conn = pyodbc.connect(connection_string)
cursor = conn.cursor()
table_creation_query = """
IF NOT EXISTS (SELECT * FROM sys.objects WHERE object_id = OBJECT_ID(N'[dbo].[reviews]') AND type in (N'U'))
        listing_id BIGINT,
        negative INT,
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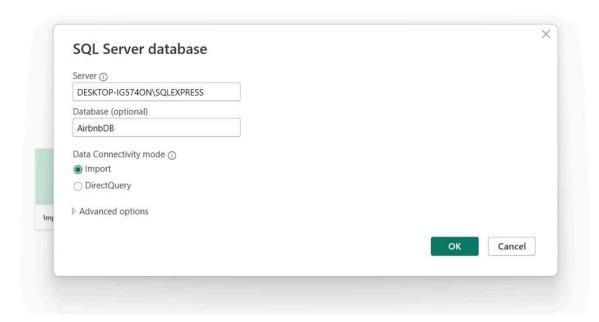
After saving respective dataframes to csv locally. We moved on to SSMS in order to create a new Database "airbnb" and load these csv as tables under schema for further analysis and exploration:



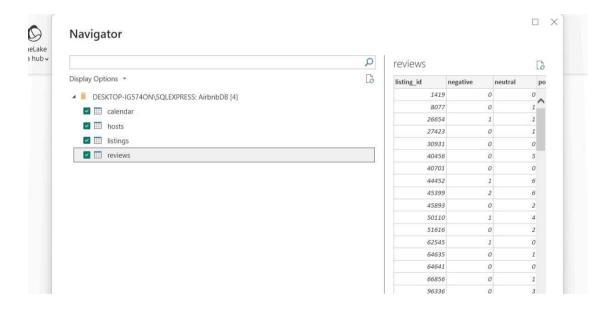
Part -3 SQL Server Connection and Visualization

Through ETL processes, we obtain the necessary information to create various visualizations aimed at transforming data into valuable insights for the business. These visualizations allow us to identify key patterns and trends clearly and effectively, supporting informed decision-making. For this process, we use Microsoft Power BI, which provides advanced capabilities for data exploration and presentation.

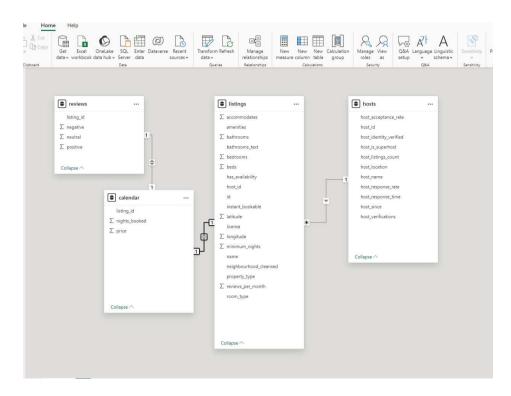
To proceed with creating the visualizations, it is necessary to configure the connection to the data source. In this case, from Microsoft Power BI, we configure a connection to our SQL server to access the required information.



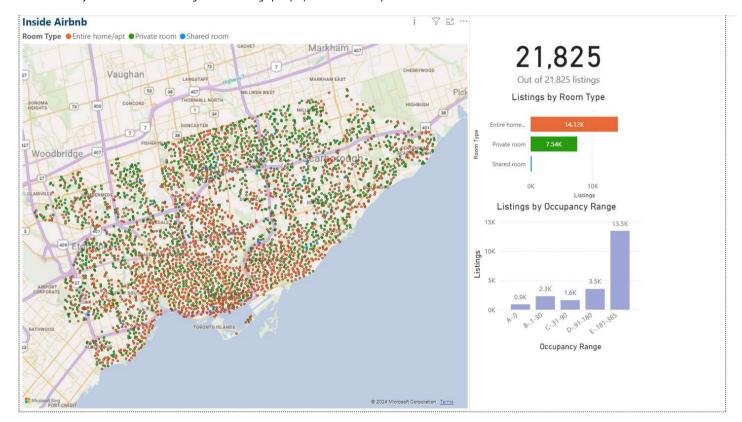
Next, the required tables are selected, and the data is prepared for the creation of visualizations. This process includes cleaning, transforming, and structuring the information to ensure its proper analysis use.



Subsequently, the previously identified relationships between the selected tables are modelled. This step is crucial to ensure data integrity and enable efficient analysis in the visualizations.



Finally, several visualizations are created. In some cases, to achieve this effectively, new calculated columns are necessary to extract additional insights and enrich the analysis. These columns are generated using specific formulas or transformations tailored to the business needs.





Data Analysis and Exploration

Business Questions Addressed

The main business questions addressed through this analysis include:

- 1. What factors influence Airbnb pricing in Toronto?
- 2. How does sentiment affect customer ratings for listings?
- 3. What are the trends in listing availability across different seasons?
- 4. How do hosts' response rates correlate with customer satisfaction?

Key Insights from Data

- **Sentiment Analysis**: Listings with more positive reviews tend to have higher occupancy rates. Additionally, hosts with higher response rates often receive more positive sentiment in reviews.
- **Pricing Trends**: Price patterns were observed across different neighborhoods and room types. Listings with more amenities and better locations were generally more expensive.
- Availability Trends: There was a notable difference in listing availability based on the season, with more listings being available in the summer
 months.

Data Visualization with Power BI

To communicate these insights, we created several visualizations using Power BI:

- **Price Distribution**: A histogram showing the distribution of Airbnb listing prices across various neighborhoods.
- **Sentiment Distribution**: A pie chart showing the proportion of positive, negative, and neutral sentiments across all reviews.
- Seasonal Availability Trends: A line chart displaying the number of days listings were available across different months in 2023.

These visualizations helped to illustrate key trends in a clear and interactive format, supporting informed decision-making.

Final Deliverables

The final deliverables for this project include:

- **1. ETL Pipeline**: A fully functional ETL pipeline built using **SSIS**, which extracts, transforms, and loads data into SQL Server.
- 2. **SQL Server Database**: A structured database containing clean and transformed data.
- 3. Data Visualizations: Insights and trends presented through interactive Power BI dashboards.
- 4 SSMS
- **5. Reports**: A detailed report summarizing the project's methodology, insights, and visualizations.
- **6. Video Demonstration**: A video recording demonstrating the execution and functionality of the pipeline and the visualizations.

CONCLUSION

This project successfully demonstrated the ability to process and analyze large datasets using **big data tools** and **ETL pipelines**. By leveraging MongoDB, SQL Server, Power BI, and SSIS, we created a pipeline that transformed raw data into valuable insights for Airbnb business decisions. The visualizations provide actionable insights into pricing trends, customer sentiment, and listing availability, which can inform strategic decisions for Airbnb hosts and stakeholders.