Hotel Booking Cancellation Prediction

Introduction

In this assignment, I'll be working with hotel booking data to predict cancellations. The dataset includes details like booking information, guest demographics, and past behavior. The main goal is to clean the data, explore patterns, and build a machine learning model that predicts if a booking will be canceled.

Understanding cancellations is important for hotels since it directly affects their revenue. By identifying factors like booking lead time or guest type that influence cancellations, hotels can better manage bookings and resources.

The process will include data preprocessing (handling missing values and outliers), analyzing key trends, feature engineering to improve model accuracy, and building a predictive model. Finally, I'll assess which features are most important for predicting cancellations

Importing relevant libraries

```
import pandas as pd # pandas is for handling and analyzing data.
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # matplotlib is for creating visualizations.
import seaborn as sb # seaborn is for statistical data visualization.
from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder # Converts categorical data to
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler # Standardizes features by sca
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier # Decision tree algorithm for c
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split # Splits data into trainin
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, classification_report # Evaluates
from sklearn import preprocessing # Contains data preprocessing tools like scal
from sklearn import metrics # For evaluating model performance.
```

```
In [167... # Importing the data file
hotel_df = pd.read_csv('./hotel_bookings.csv')
```

I am getting information about the hotel_df DataFrame, such as its structure, data types, and non-null counts. To get that, I am using the .info() method, which provides a concise summary of the DataFrame.

hotel df.info() In [168...

> <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'> RangeIndex: 119390 entries, 0 to 119389 Data columns (total 32 columns):

```
Column
                                  Non-Null Count
                                                  Dtype
   ____
                                  -----
                                                  ____
                                  119390 non-null object
0
   hotel
   is_canceled
                                  119390 non-null int64
2 lead_time
                                  119390 non-null int64
   arrival_date_year
                                  119390 non-null int64
   arrival_date_month
                                119390 non-null object
                                119390 non-null int64
   arrival_date_week_number
                                 119390 non-null int64
    arrival_date_day_of_month
6
7
    stays_in_weekend_nights
                                  119390 non-null int64
    stays_in_week_nights
                                  119390 non-null int64
8
9
    adults
                                  119390 non-null int64
                                  119386 non-null float64
10 children
11 babies
                                  119390 non-null int64
12 meal
                                  119390 non-null object
                                 118902 non-null object
13 country
14 market segment
                                  119390 non-null object
15 distribution_channel
                                 119390 non-null object
16 is repeated guest
                                 119390 non-null int64
17 previous_cancellations 119390 non-null int64
    previous_bookings_not_canceled 119390 non-null int64
19 reserved_room_type
                                 119390 non-null object
20 assigned_room_type
                                 119390 non-null object
                                  119390 non-null int64
21 booking_changes
22 deposit_type
                                  119390 non-null object
23 agent
                                  103050 non-null float64
24 company
                                  6797 non-null
                                                 float64
                                 119390 non-null int64
25 days_in_waiting_list
26 customer_type
                                  119390 non-null object
27 adr
28 required_car_parking_spaces
                                 119390 non-null float64
                                  119390 non-null int64
                                  119390 non-null int64
30 reservation_status
                                  119390 non-null object
31 reservation status date
                                  119390 non-null object
dtypes: float64(4), int64(16), object(12)
```

memory usage: 29.1+ MB

The hotel df.shape attribute is used to get the dimensions of the DataFrame. It returns a tuple with two values:

- The number of rows (first value).
- The number of columns (second value).

```
In [169...
          hotel_df.shape
Out[169... (119390, 32)
In [170...
          # I am checking categorical values in column 'Hotel'
           hotel df.hotel
```

```
Out[170...
                    Resort Hotel
          1
                    Resort Hotel
                    Resort Hotel
          3
                    Resort Hotel
          4
                    Resort Hotel
                   City Hotel
          119385
          119386
                    City Hotel
          119387
                      City Hotel
          119388
                      City Hotel
          119389
                      City Hotel
          Name: hotel, Length: 119390, dtype: object
```

I am using the .head(7) method to display the first 7 rows of the DataFrame. This helps me quickly inspect the data and see how it is structured.

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ut[171		hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	arrival_date_year	arrival_date_month	arrival_date_wee
	0	Resort Hotel	0	342	2015	July	
	1	Resort Hotel	0	737	2015	July	
	2	Resort Hotel	ort 0 7 2015 July				
	3	Resort Hotel	0	13	2015	July	
	4	Resort Hotel	0	14	2015	July	
	5	Resort Hotel	0	14	2015	July	
	6	Resort Hotel	0	0	2015	July	

7 rows × 32 columns

In [171... hotel_df.head(7)

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I am using the .tail(2) method to display the last 2 rows of the DataFrame. This allows me to see the ending portion of the data.

In [172... hotel_df.tail(2)

Out[172...

	notei	is_canceled	iead_time	arrivai_date_year	arrivai_date_month	arrivai_date
119388	City Hotel	0	109	2017	August	
119389	City Hotel	0	205	2017	August	

2 rows × 32 columns



I am using the .describe() method to generate summary statistics of the DataFrame. This gives me key insights like the count, mean, standard deviation, and percentiles for the numerical columns.

In [173... hotel_df.describe()

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	is_canceled	lead_time	arrival_date_year	arrival_date_week_number	arriva
count	119390.000000	119390.000000	119390.000000	119390.000000	
mean	0.370416	104.011416	2016.156554	27.165173	
std	0.482918	106.863097	0.707476	13.605138	
min	0.000000	0.000000	2015.000000	1.000000	
25%	0.000000	18.000000	2016.000000	16.000000	
50%	0.000000	69.000000	2016.000000	28.000000	
75%	1.000000	160.000000	2017.000000	38.000000	
max	1.000000	737.000000	2017.000000	53.000000	
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1. Data Pre-processing (25%)

```
In [174...
          #checking all the columns
          hotel_df.columns
          Index(['hotel', 'is_canceled', 'lead_time', 'arrival_date_year',
Out[174...
                  'arrival_date_month', 'arrival_date_week_number',
                  'arrival_date_day_of_month', 'stays_in_weekend_nights',
                  'stays_in_week_nights', 'adults', 'children', 'babies', 'meal',
                  'country', 'market_segment', 'distribution_channel',
                  'is_repeated_guest', 'previous_cancellations',
                  'previous_bookings_not_canceled', 'reserved_room_type',
                  'assigned_room_type', 'booking_changes', 'deposit_type', 'agent',
                  'company', 'days_in_waiting_list', 'customer_type', 'adr',
                  'required_car_parking_spaces', 'total_of_special_requests',
                  'reservation_status', 'reservation_status_date'],
                 dtype='object')
```

Drop irrelevant columns

It will significantly reduce the time and effort you need to invest. As a general guideline, columns containing IDs, dates, or irrelevant information are typically considered redundant and offer little value for predictive analysis.

After accessing the data, I am dropping the following columns because they are not relevant for the model:

- ** arrival_date_year , arrival_date_week_number , arrival_date_day_of_month : These provide detailed date information that is not be necessary for the model because it has dates**
- ** country: This column is also not relevant for the model as we are not analyzing/predicting that where the customers are coming from.**
- ** reservation_status , reservation_status_date : These columns are directly tied to the outcome and might introduce data leakage.**
- ** arrival_date_month : Redundant after removing other date-related columns.**
- ** previous_bookings_not_canceled : This column is dropped because we can get this information from the column 'is_cancelled' so we can drop this.**

Out[175...

	hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	stays_in_weekend_nights	stays_in_week_nights
0	Resort Hotel	0	342	0	0
1	Resort Hotel	0	737	0	0
2	Resort Hotel	0	7	0	1
3	Resort Hotel	0	13	0	1
4	Resort Hotel	0	14	0	2
•••					
119385	City Hotel	0	23	2	5
119386	City Hotel	0	102	2	5
119387	City Hotel	0	34	2	5
119388	City Hotel	0	109	2	5
119389	City Hotel	0	205	2	7

119390 rows × 23 columns

**I am using the .columns attribute to loop through and see which columns I have

left in the DataFrame after dropping the irrelevant ones. This helps me confirm the current structure of the data and ensures I'm working with the necessary features for my analysis.**

1.1 Missing Values (10%)

Identify and handle missing values.

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I am using the . shape attribute to check the dimensions of the DataFrame, giving me the number of rows and columns.

```
hotel_df.shape # Displays the shape of the DataFrame
```

```
In [177... hotel_df.shape
Out[177... (119390, 23)
```

I am using .isnull()/isna to identify the missing values in the DataFrame and .sum() to add them all, This helps me see how many values are missing in each column.

```
# Handling missing values
In [178...
          hotel_df.isnull().sum()
Out[178... hotel
                                                0
                                                0
           is_canceled
           lead time
                                                0
           stays_in_weekend_nights
                                                a
           stays_in_week_nights
                                                0
                                                0
           adults
           children
                                                4
           babies
                                                0
           meal
                                                0
           distribution_channel
                                                0
           is_repeated_guest
                                                0
           previous_cancellations
                                                0
           reserved_room_type
                                                0
           assigned_room_type
                                                0
                                                0
           booking_changes
                                                0
           deposit_type
                                            16340
           agent
                                           112593
           company
           days_in_waiting_list
                                                0
           customer_type
                                                0
                                                0
                                                0
           required_car_parking_spaces
           total of special requests
           dtype: int64
```

I am plotting a heatmap to visualize the missing values in the DataFrame. This allows me to quickly identify which columns have missing data.

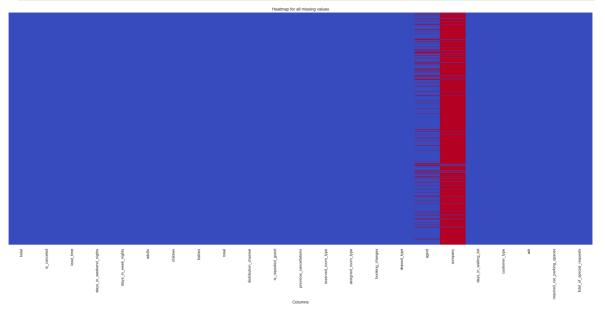
sb.heatmap(hotel_df.isnull(), cbar=False, cmap='coolwarm', yticklabels=False)

```
plt.figure(figsize=(30, 12)) # Sets the figure size
sb.heatmap(hotel_df.isnull(), cbar=False, cmap='coolwarm',
yticklabels=False) # Creates the heatmap using seaborn library
plt.xlabel('Columns') # Labels the x-axis
plt.title('Heatmap for all missing values') # Sets the title of the
plot
plt.show() # Displays the plot
In [179... # Plotting heatmap for missing values
```

plt.figure(figsize=(30, 12))

plt.xlabel('Columns')

```
plt.title('Heatmap for all missing values')
plt.show()
```



Additionally, I noticed the following missing values that need to be addressed because column 'agent' and 'company' has huge missing values and it will not help the model at all for prediction

```
• ** agent: 16,340 missing values**
```

• ** company: 112,593 missing values**

Out[180...

	hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	stays_in_weekend_nights	stays_in_week_nights a
0	Resort Hotel	0	342	0	0
1	Resort Hotel	0	737	0	0
2	Resort Hotel	0	7	0	1
3	Resort Hotel	0	13	0	1
4	Resort Hotel	0	14	0	2
			•••		
119385	City Hotel	0	23	2	5
119386	City Hotel	0	102	2	5
119387	City Hotel	0	34	2	5
119388	City Hotel	0	109	2	5
119389	City Hotel	0	205	2	7

119390 rows × 21 columns

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In [181...

Using isna or isnull function to check any null values and using and sum funct
hotel_df.isna().sum()

```
Out[181...
           hotel
                                           0
           is_canceled
                                           0
           lead time
                                           0
           stays_in_weekend_nights
                                           0
           stays_in_week_nights
                                           0
           adults
                                           0
           children
                                           4
           babies
                                           0
           meal
                                           0
           distribution_channel
           is_repeated_guest
                                           0
           previous_cancellations
           reserved_room_type
                                           0
                                           0
           assigned_room_type
                                           0
           booking_changes
           deposit type
           days_in_waiting_list
                                           0
           customer_type
           adr
                                           0
           required_car_parking_spaces
           total_of_special_requests
                                           0
           dtype: int64
```

After using the isna() function, I noticed that there are 4 null values in the children column. Therefore, I will replace these missing values using fillna(), rather than dropping the column I replaced the values

```
# After using isna or isnull function I have noticed that in children column the
In [182...
          hotel_df['children'] = hotel_df['children'].fillna(0)
          hotel_df['children'].isna().sum()
          hotel_df.isna().sum() # checking if there are any null values left
Out[182...
          hotel
                                           0
                                           0
           is_canceled
           lead time
                                           0
                                           0
           stays_in_weekend_nights
           stays_in_week_nights
                                           0
           adults
           children
                                           0
           babies
                                           0
           meal
                                           0
           distribution_channel
           is_repeated_guest
                                           0
                                           0
           previous cancellations
           reserved_room_type
                                           0
           assigned room type
                                           0
                                           0
           booking_changes
           deposit type
                                           0
           days_in_waiting_list
                                           0
           customer_type
                                           0
           required_car_parking_spaces
           total_of_special_requests
           dtype: int64
```

Unique values

Find out unique values in columns. This will help you in identifying in-consistent data.

Simply looping through all the columns using a for loop to look for each columns uniques values

```
hotel:
hotel
City Hotel
             79330
Resort Hotel 40060
Name: count, dtype: int64
-----
is_canceled:
is_canceled
   75166
    44224
Name: count, dtype: int64
lead_time:
lead_time
0
      6345
      3460
1
2
      2069
3
     1816
     1715
400
     1
370
        1
532
       1
371
        1
463
        1
Name: count, Length: 479, dtype: int64
stays_in_weekend_nights:
stays_in_weekend_nights
0
     51998
2
     33308
1
     30626
4
     1855
3
     1259
6
      153
5
       79
8
       60
7
       19
9
       11
10
        7
12
       5
13
       3
16
        3
14
        2
18
        1
19
        1
Name: count, dtype: int64
-----
stays_in_week_nights:
stays_in_week_nights
2
     33684
1
     30310
3
     22258
5
     11077
4
     9563
0
     7645
6
     1499
10
     1036
7
     1029
8
      656
```

```
231
15
      85
11
       56
19
       44
12
       42
       41
20
14
       35
       27
13
16
       16
      15
21
22
        7
25
       6
18
       6
30
        5
17
        4
24
        3
        2
40
33
        1
42
        1
50
        1
32
        1
26
        1
34
       1
35
        1
41
        1
Name: count, dtype: int64
adults:
adults
2
    89680
    23027
1
3
     6202
0
     403
4
      62
26
       5
27
        2
       2
20
5
        2
40
        1
50
        1
55
       1
6
        1
        1
Name: count, dtype: int64
children:
children
0.0 110800
1.0
       4861
2.0
        3652
       76
3.0
          1
Name: count, dtype: int64
babies:
babies
0
     118473
1
       900
       15
2
10
        1
```

```
Name: count, dtype: int64
meal:
meal
BB
         92310
HB
        14463
SC
        10650
Undefined 1169
          798
Name: count, dtype: int64
-----
distribution_channel:
distribution_channel
TA/TO
      97870
        14645
Direct
Corporate 6677
GDS
         193
Undefined
          5
Name: count, dtype: int64
-----
is_repeated_guest:
is_repeated_guest
  115580
1
    3810
Name: count, dtype: int64
-----
previous_cancellations:
previous_cancellations
   112906
1
     6051
2
     116
3
      65
24
      48
11
      35
4
       31
26
      26
25
       25
6
       22
19
       19
5
      19
14
      14
      12
13
21
      1
Name: count, dtype: int64
-----
reserved_room_type:
reserved room type
Α
  85994
D
   19201
Ε
   6535
F
   2897
G
   2094
В
   1118
C
    932
Н
    601
Р
     12
L
     6
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
assigned_room_type:
assigned_room_type
    74053
D
    25322
Е
    7806
F
    3751
G
    2553
C
    2375
В
    2163
Н
     712
Ι
     363
Κ
     279
Р
     12
L
       1
Name: count, dtype: int64
-----
booking_changes:
booking_changes
    101314
1
     12701
2
      3805
3
       927
4
       376
5
       118
6
        63
7
        31
8
        17
9
        8
10
        6
        5
13
         5
14
         3
15
16
         2
17
         2
         2
12
11
         2
20
         1
21
         1
        1
18
Name: count, dtype: int64
-----
deposit_type:
deposit_type
No Deposit 104641
Non Refund
           14587
Refundable
            162
Name: count, dtype: int64
-----
days_in_waiting_list:
days_in_waiting_list
     115692
0
39
        227
58
        164
44
        141
31
        127
116
         1
109
         1
37
         1
89
         1
```

```
Name: count, Length: 128, dtype: int64
customer_type:
customer_type
Transient 89613
Transient-Party 25124
Contract
              4076
                577
Group
Name: count, dtype: int64
______
adr:
adr
62.00 3754
75.00
      2715
90.00
65.00 2410
1959
90.00
       2473
89.43 1
63.07 1
63.07
          1
55.69
         1
49.51
         1
157.71
Name: count, Length: 8879, dtype: int64
required_car_parking_spaces:
required_car_parking_spaces
  111974
1
    7383
2
      28
       3
        2
Name: count, dtype: int64
______
total_of_special_requests:
total of special requests
   70318
1
  33226
2
  12969
3
   2497
4
    340
      40
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

1.2 Removing Inconsistent values and Outliers (10%)

Detecting inconsistencies can be achieved through a variety of methods. Some can be identified by examining unique values within each column, while others may require a solid understanding of the problem domain. Since you might not be an expert in the hotel or hospitality industry, here are some helpful hints:

Hints:

- 1. Check for incomplete bookings, such as reservations with zero adults, babies, or children.
- 2. Examine rows with zeros in both 'stays_in_weekend_nights' and 'stays_in_week_nights.'

I am checking the indices where the total number of adults, children, and babies is zero. This helps me identify any rows where there are no guests listed.

```
In [184...
          # checking on what index adults, children and babies are zero
          hotel_df[hotel_df['adults'] +
                    hotel_df['children'] +
                    hotel_df['babies'] == 0 ].index
Out[184...
           Index([ 2224,
                            2409,
                                    3181,
                                             3684,
                                                     3708,
                                                             4127,
                                                                      9376,
                                                                            31765,
                   32827,
                  . . .
                  112558, 113188, 114583, 114908, 114911, 115029, 115091, 116251, 116534,
                  117087],
                 dtype='int64', length=180)
In [185...
          # Removing rows with zero adults.
          hotel_df = hotel_df.drop(hotel_df[hotel_df['adults'] == 0].index)
          # testing if it is working, and the index is empty after running it.
In [186...
          hotel_df[hotel_df['adults'] == 0 ].index
Out[186...
          Index([], dtype='int64')
```

Removing Rows with Zero Stays

In this dataset, stays_in_week_nights and stays_in_weekend_nights represent how many nights a guest stayed during the week and weekend, respectively.

I decided to drop any rows where both these columns are 0, since it means the guest didn't actually stay at the hotel. These entries likely reflect:

- Incomplete or invalid bookings,
- Data entry errors,
- Or bookings that were canceled before any stay happened.

Removing these rows helps clean the data and ensures that the machine learning model only uses **relevant information** based on real stays.

Resetting the DataFrame Index

I used <code>reset_index()</code> to reorganize the DataFrame after dropping rows. This ensures the index is reset, eliminating any gaps caused by the removed rows. The <code>drop=True</code> argument ensures the old index is not added as a new column, and <code>inplace=True</code> updates the DataFrame directly.

```
In [189... # Resetting the index to get rid of empty rows
hotel_df.reset_index(drop= True , inplace=True)
```

Lead Time Boxplot using Matplotlib

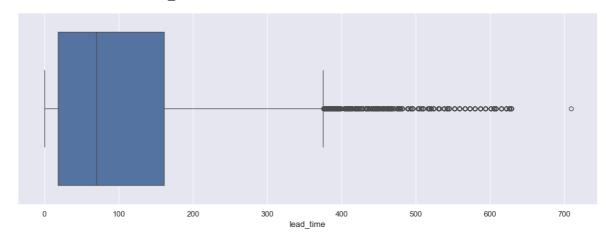
I used matplotlib and seaborn to plot a boxplot of the lead_time variable to visualize its distribution and detect outliers.

```
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (15, 5)
sb.boxplot(x=hotel_df['lead_time'])
```

```
In [190... # Utilizing matplotlib library to plot the graph

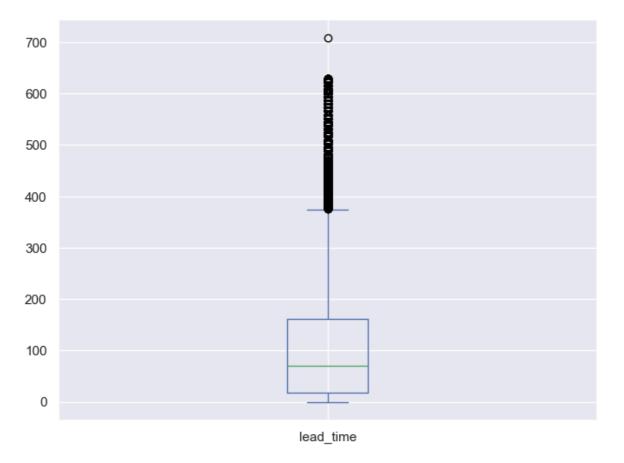
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize']=(15,5)
sb.boxplot(x=hotel_df['lead_time'])
```

```
Out[190... <Axes: xlabel='lead_time'>
```



```
In [191... # Box plotting using pandas for lead_time columns
hotel_df.plot(y=['lead_time'],kind='box',figsize=(8,6))
# Box plotting using seaborn and plt
# sns.boxplot(hotel_df['lead_time'],width=.1)
# plt.show()
```

Out[191... <Axes: >



Finding Outliers Using the describe() Method

I used the describe() method to get summary statistics for the lead_time column. This includes the count, mean, standard deviation, and key percentiles (25%, 50%, 75%). Outliers can be identified by looking for values that are far from the majority, such as those beyond the interquartile range (IQR).

```
In [192...
          # finding the outliers using describe method
          hotel_df['lead_time'].describe()
Out[192...
           count
                    118342.000000
                       104.467678
           mean
           std
                       106.931140
           min
                        0.000000
                        18.000000
           25%
           50%
                        70.000000
           75%
                       161.000000
                       709.000000
           Name: lead_time, dtype: float64
```

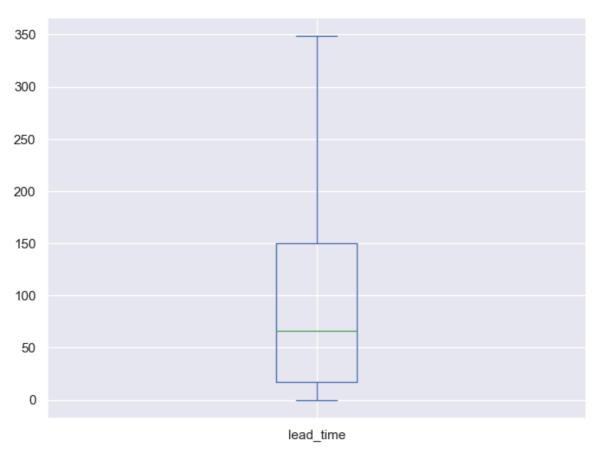
Removing Outliers from lead_time

To improve data quality and ensure more accurate model predictions, I removed extreme outliers from the <code>lead_time</code> column. Specifically, I dropped rows where <code>lead_time</code> exceeded 349 days, as such values represent highly unusual booking behavior and could distort the analysis.

```
In [193... hotel_df = hotel_df.drop(hotel_df[hotel_df['lead_time'] > 349].index )
```

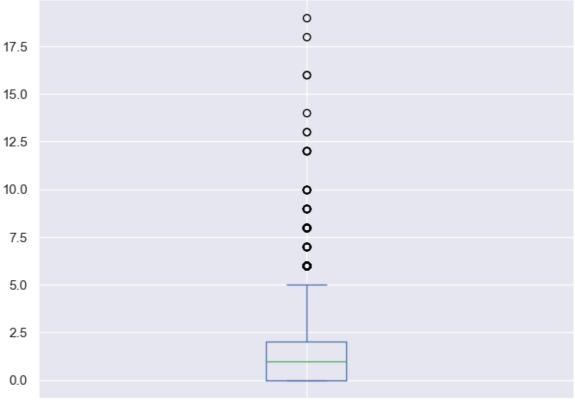
hotel_df.plot(y=['lead_time'],kind='box',figsize=(8,6))

Out[193... <Axes: >



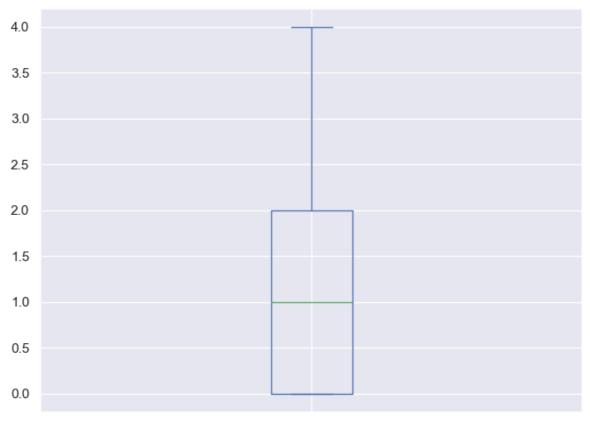
```
In [194... # Plotting box plot for stays_in_week_nights and there are outliers
hotel_df.plot(y=['stays_in_weekend_nights'],kind='box',figsize=(8,6))
```

Out[194... <Axes: >



stays_in_weekend_nights

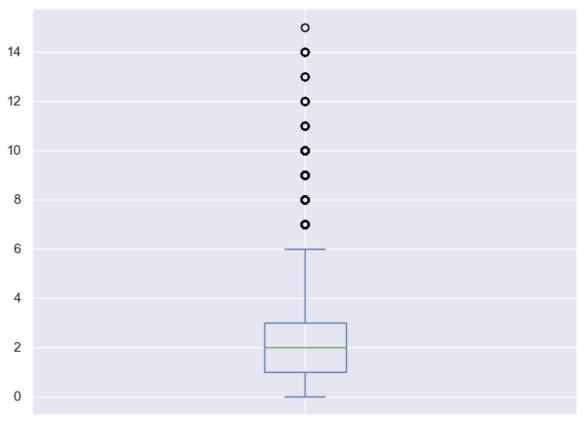
```
In [195...
          # finding the outliers using describe method
          hotel_df['stays_in_weekend_nights'].describe()
                    114424.000000
Out[195...
           count
                         0.942433
           mean
           std
                         0.996668
           min
                         0.000000
           25%
                         0.000000
           50%
                         1.000000
           75%
                         2.000000
           max
                        19.000000
           Name: stays_in_weekend_nights, dtype: float64
In [196...
          # Dropping outliers of column stays_in_weekend_nights and outliers are where the
          hotel_df = hotel_df.drop(hotel_df[hotel_df['stays_in_weekend_nights'] > 4].index
          hotel_df.plot(y=['stays_in_weekend_nights'],kind='box',figsize=(8,6))
Out[196...
           <Axes: >
```



stays_in_weekend_nights

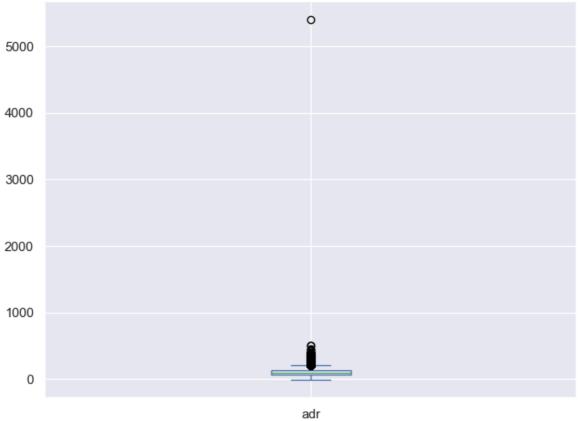
In [197... # Plotting box plot for stays_in_week_nights and there are outliers
hotel_df.plot(y=['stays_in_week_nights'],kind='box',figsize=(8,6))

Out[197... <Axes: >



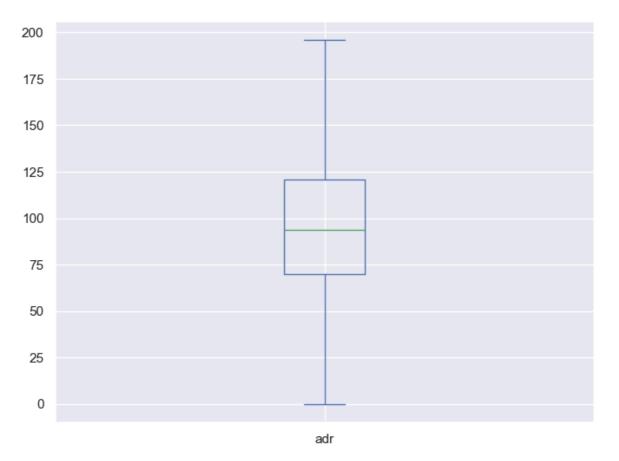
stays_in_week_nights

```
# finding the outliers using describe method
In [198...
          hotel_df['stays_in_week_nights'].describe()
                    114092.000000
Out[198...
           count
                         2.484793
           mean
           std
                         1.729553
           min
                         0.000000
           25%
                         1.000000
           50%
                         2.000000
                         3.000000
           75%
           max
                        15.000000
           Name: stays_in_week_nights, dtype: float64
In [199...
          # Dropping outliers of column stays_in_week_nights which is more than 6 as the m
          hotel_df = hotel_df.drop(hotel_df[hotel_df['stays_in_week_nights'] > 6].index )
          hotel_df.plot(y=['stays_in_week_nights'],kind='box',figsize=(8,6))
Out[199...
           <Axes: >
         6
         5
         4
         3
         2
          1
         0
                                          stays_in_week_nights
In [200...
          # Plotting box plot for adr and there are outliers
          hotel_df.plot(y=['adr'],kind='box',figsize=(8,6))
Out[200...
           <Axes: >
```



```
In [201...
          # finding the outliers using describe method
          hotel_df['adr'].describe()
Out[201...
                    111162.000000
           count
                       103.397404
           mean
           std
                        50.349869
                        -6.380000
           min
           25%
                        71.400000
           50%
                        95.000000
           75%
                       127.000000
                      5400.000000
           max
           Name: adr, dtype: float64
In [202...
          # Dropping outliers of column ADR
          hotel_df = hotel_df.drop(hotel_df[(hotel_df['adr'] > 196) | (hotel_df['adr'] < 0</pre>
           hotel_df.plot(y=['adr'],kind='box',figsize=(8,6))
Out[202...
           <Axes: >
```

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In [203... # Plotting box plot for total_of_special_requests and there are outliers
hotel_df.plot(y=['total_of_special_requests'],kind='box',figsize=(8,6))





total_of_special_requests

```
In [204...
          # finding the outliers using describe method
           hotel_df['total_of_special_requests'].describe()
                    105846.000000
Out[204...
           count
           mean
                          0.565756
           std
                          0.786212
           min
                          0.000000
           25%
                          0.000000
           50%
                          0.000000
           75%
                          1.000000
           max
                          5.000000
           Name: total_of_special_requests, dtype: float64
In [205...
          # Dropping outliers of column total_of_special_requests
           hotel_df = hotel_df.drop(hotel_df[hotel_df['total_of_special_requests'] > 2].ind
           hotel_df.plot(y=['total_of_special_requests'],kind='box',figsize=(8,6))
Out[205...
           <Axes: >
         2.00
          1.75
          1.50
          1.25
          1.00
         0.75
         0.50
         0.25
         0.00
```

I have deleted the outliers from the dataset because they can distort statistical analyses and lead to inaccurate model predictions. Outliers may not reflect typical behavior in the data and can significantly impact key metrics like mean and standard deviation. By removing them, I aim to improve the model's performance and enhance its predictive accuracy, ensuring the results better represent the underlying patterns in the data. This step helps create a more robust model that generalizes well to unseen data.

total of special requests

1.3 Column data type conversion (5%)

All necessary columns should be correctly converted to appropriate data types.

I am converting the children column from floating value to the integer type using astype('int64'). This ensures that the data is in the correct format for any numerical analysis or modeling.

```
In [206...
           #covert float type to int
           hotel_df['children'] = hotel_df['children'].astype('int64')
           hotel_df
Out[206...
                      hotel is_canceled lead_time stays_in_weekend_nights stays_in_week_nights a
                     Resort
                                       0
                                                  7
                                                                             0
                                                                                                    1
                      Hotel
                     Resort
                                                                             0
                                       0
                                                 13
                                                                                                    1
                      Hotel
                     Resort
                                       0
                                                                             0
                                                 14
                                                                                                    2
                      Hotel
                     Resort
                                       0
                                                 14
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                      Hotel
                     Resort
                                       0
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                                                                                                    2
                      Hotel
                       City
            118333
                                       0
                                                 188
                                                                             2
                                                                                                    3
                      Hotel
                       City
            118335
                                       0
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                                                 164
                                                                                                    4
                      Hotel
                       City
            118336
                                       0
                                                 21
                                                                             2
                                                                                                    5
                      Hotel
                       City
            118337
                                       0
                                                 23
                                                                             2
                                                                                                    5
                      Hotel
                       City
                                       0
                                                 109
            118340
                                                                             2
                                                                                                    5
                      Hotel
           103422 rows × 21 columns
```

2. Exploratory Data Analysis (25%)

You've also been provided with examples of valuable insights that could be of interest to hotel management, including:

- Calculating cancellation percentages for City and Resort hotels.
- Identifying the most frequently ordered meal types.
- Determining the number of returning guests.
- Discovering the most booked room types.
- Exploring correlations between room types and cancellations.

Visualize these insights using three different types of visualizations covered in the practicals, such as:

- Bar graphs
- Pie charts
- Line charts
- Heatmaps

2.1. Calculating cancellation percentages for City and Resort hotels.

• Calculating cancellation percentages for hotels all bookings.

Now I will look for the unique values in the is_canceled column using the unique function. This helps me understand the different categories present in the column and the outcome is (array([0, 1], dtype=int64).

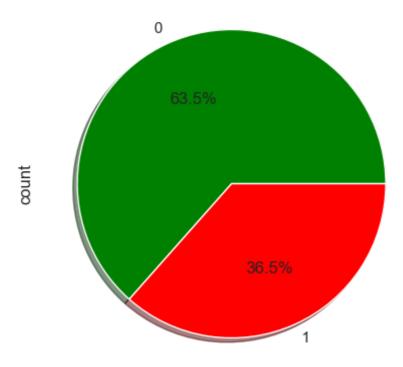
I am creating a pie chart to visualize the booking cancellations in the is_canceled column. The pie chart displays the proportion of canceled versus non-canceled bookings, making it easier to understand the cancellation trends.

```
colors = ['green', 'red'] # Defines colors for the pie chart
hotel_df['is_canceled'].value_counts().plot(
    title="Booking Cancellation Pie Chart", # Sets the title of the
pie chart
    kind='pie', # Specifies the type of plot
    autopct='%.1f%%', # Formats the percentage display
```

shadow=True, # Adds shadow to the pie chart

Out[209... <Axes: title={'center': 'Booking Cancellation Pie Chart'}, ylabel='count'>

Booking Cancellation Pie Chart



• Calculating cancellation percentages for City and Resort hotels.

I am filtering the dataset to analyze hotel cancellations specifically for city hotels and resort hotels. This helps me focus on the trends in cancellations based on the type of hotel.

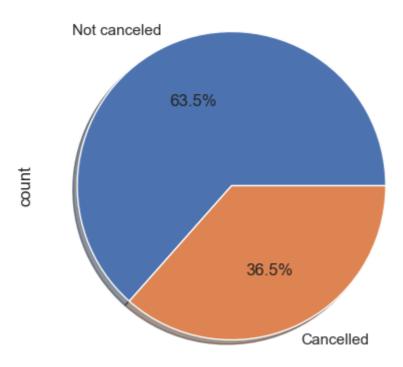
1. Filtering the Data:

- I will create a new DataFrame hotel_df_canceled_city that contains only the records of city hotel cancellations (where hotel is marked as 1).
- I will also create another DataFrame hotel_df_canceled_resort that contains records for resort hotels (where hotel is marked as 0).

```
In [210... # Filter the dataset for city and resort cancellations
hotel_df_canceled_city = hotel_df.drop(hotel_df[hotel_df['hotel'] == 1].index)
```

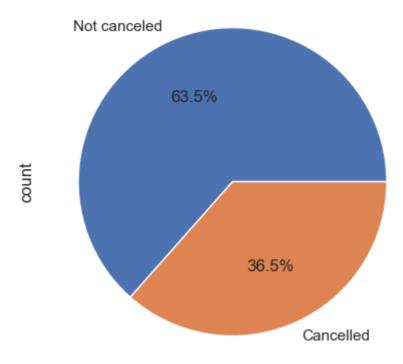
Out[210... <Axes: title={'center': 'City hotel Cancellations'}, ylabel='count'>

City hotel Cancellations



Out[211... <Axes: title={'center': 'Resort hotel Cancellations'}, ylabel='count'>

Resort hotel Cancellations



2.2. Identifying the most frequently ordered meal types.

In [212... hot

hotel_df.info()

```
Index: 103422 entries, 0 to 118340
Data columns (total 21 columns):
    Column
                               Non-Null Count
                                               Dtype
--- -----
                               _____
0
   hotel
                               103422 non-null object
1 is_canceled
                               103422 non-null int64
2 lead time
                               103422 non-null int64
   stays_in_weekend_nights
                              103422 non-null int64
3
    stays_in_week_nights
                               103422 non-null int64
5
    adults
                               103422 non-null int64
   children
                               103422 non-null int64
7
                               103422 non-null int64
    babies
8
    meal
                               103422 non-null object
9 distribution_channel
                             103422 non-null object
10 is_repeated_guest
                              103422 non-null int64
11 previous_cancellations
                              103422 non-null int64
12 reserved_room_type
                              103422 non-null object
13 assigned room type
                             103422 non-null object
14 booking_changes
                              103422 non-null int64
                               103422 non-null object
15 deposit_type
                             103422 non-null int64
16 days_in_waiting_list
17 customer_type
                              103422 non-null object
18 adr
                              103422 non-null float64
19 required_car_parking_spaces 103422 non-null int64
 20 total_of_special_requests
                               103422 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(1), int64(13), object(7)
memory usage: 21.4+ MB
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

I am examining the unique values in the meal column using the unique() function. This helps me understand the different meal plans offered in the dataset. The outcome of this operation reveals the following unique meal types:

indicating the following meal plans:

- BB: Bed and Breakfast
- FB: Full Board (includes all meals)
- HB: Half Board (includes breakfast and one other meal)
- SC: Self-Catering
- Undefined: No specific meal plan is provided

```
In [213... hotel_df.meal.unique() # tried 2 different ways to find unique values
Out[213... array(['BB', 'FB', 'HB', 'SC', 'Undefined'], dtype=object)
In [214... # I am checking the type of meals
    hotel_df['meal'].unique() # this shows that there are 5 different type of meals
Out[214... array(['BB', 'FB', 'HB', 'SC', 'Undefined'], dtype=object)
```

In this pie chart it is displaying the most frequent meals been ordered.

- BB: 78%
- FB: 0.7%
- HB: 10.6%

- SC: 9.8%
- Undefined: 1.0%

**** This shows that BB is the one which ordered the most and that is bed and breakfast.

1. Defining Colors and Explode Parameters:

- I define a list of colors to represent each meal category in the pie chart.
- The explode parameter is set to slightly separate the "Undefined" and "FB" slices for better visibility in the pie chart.

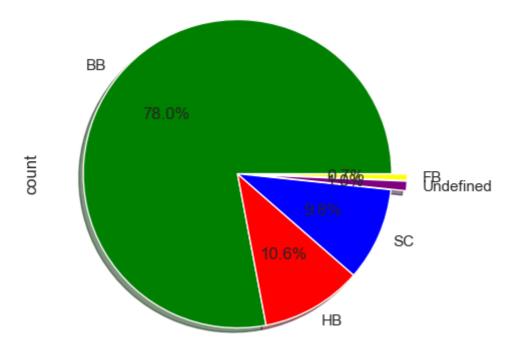
```
In [215...
colors = ['green','red','blue','purple','yellow']

# Adding explode to separate "Undefined" and "FB" slightly
explode = (0, 0, 0, 0.1, 0.1) # Explode only the last two slices

hotel_df['meal'].value_counts().plot(
    title="Frequently ordered meals Pie Chart",
    kind='pie',
    autopct='%.1f%%',
    shadow=True,
    colors=colors,
    explode = explode
)
```

Out[215... <Axes: title={'center': 'Frequently ordered meals Pie Chart'}, ylabel='count'>

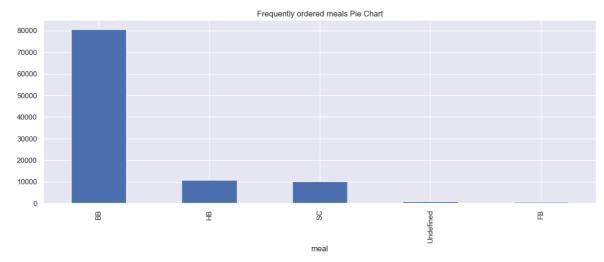
Frequently ordered meals Pie Chart



```
In [216... hotel_df['meal'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[216...
           meal
           ВВ
                        80639
           HB
                        10966
           SC
                        10108
           Undefined
                         1030
                          679
           Name: count, dtype: int64
           # displaying the quantity of all the meal using the bar plot and I got the info
In [217...
           hotel_df['meal'].value_counts().plot(
               title="Frequently ordered meals Pie Chart",
               kind='bar'
           )
```

Out[217... <Axes: title={'center': 'Frequently ordered meals Pie Chart'}, xlabel='meal'>



2.3. Determining the number of returning guests.

```
hotel df.columns
In [218...
          Index(['hotel', 'is_canceled', 'lead_time', 'stays_in_weekend_nights',
Out[218...
                  'stays_in_week_nights', 'adults', 'children', 'babies', 'meal',
                  'distribution_channel', 'is_repeated_guest', 'previous_cancellations',
                  'reserved_room_type', 'assigned_room_type', 'booking_changes',
                  'deposit_type', 'days_in_waiting_list', 'customer_type', 'adr',
                  'required_car_parking_spaces', 'total_of_special_requests'],
                 dtype='object')
In [219...
          # Finding the repeated guest using sum() function on column is_repeated_guest
          # Directly compute the number of returning quests
          print(f"Total number of returning guests are: {hotel_df['is_repeated_guest'].sum
         Total number of returning guests are: 3218
          # checking on what index the repeated quests are
In [220...
          hotel df['is repeated guest'].index
```

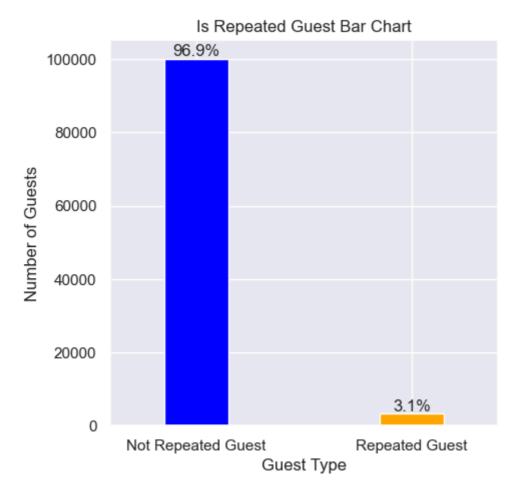
```
Out[220...
          Index([
                      0,
                               1,
                                      2,
                                               3,
                                                       4,
                                                               5,
                                                                               7,
                                                                                       8,
                       9,
                 118327, 118329, 118330, 118331, 118332, 118333, 118335, 118336, 118337,
                 118340],
                 dtype='int64', length=103422)
In [221...
         hotel_df['is_repeated_guest'].unique()
Out[221... array([0, 1], dtype=int64)
```

I am counting the values for the is_repeated_guest column to understand the distribution of repeated versus non-repeated guests. This analysis helps in assessing guest loyalty and behavior.

1. Counting Guest Values:

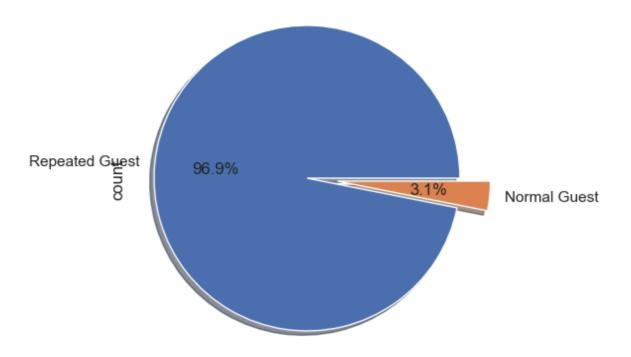
- Not Repeated Guest: 96.9%
- Repeated Guest: 3.1%

```
# Count the values for 'is_repeated_guest'
In [222...
          guest_counts = hotel_df['is_repeated_guest'].value_counts()
          # Plot the bar chart
          ax = guest_counts.plot(
              kind='bar',
              figsize=[5, 5],
              width=0.3,
              color=['blue', 'orange'],
              title="Is Repeated Guest Bar Chart"
          )
          # Custom labels for the x-axis
          ax.set xticklabels(['Not Repeated Guest', 'Repeated Guest'], rotation=0)
          # Calculate total count for percentage calculation
          total = guest_counts.sum()
          # Add percentage annotations on each bar
          for p in ax.patches:
              percentage = f'{100 * p.get_height() / total:.1f}%'
              ax.annotate(percentage,
                           (p.get_x() + p.get_width() / 2, p.get_height()), # Position
                          ha='center', va='bottom') # Centering the text
          # Set Labels
          plt.xlabel('Guest Type')
          plt.ylabel('Number of Guests')
          # Show the plot
          plt.show()
```



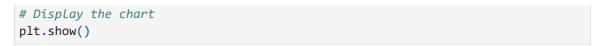
Out[223... <Axes: title={'center': 'Repeated Customer Pie Chart'}, ylabel='count'>

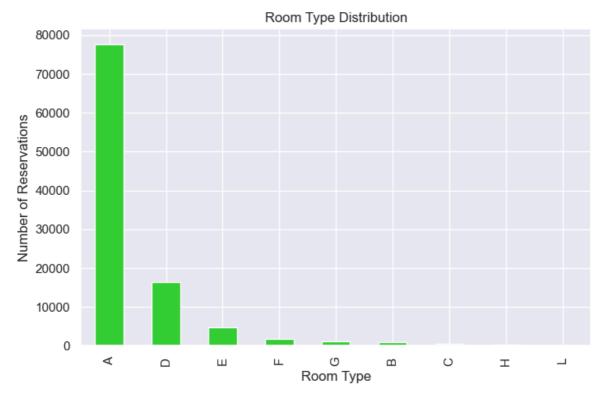
Repeated Customer Pie Chart



2.4. Discovering the most booked room types.

```
# first I checked all the type of rooms and their values and it shows that Room
In [224...
          hotel_df.reserved_room_type.value_counts()
Out[224...
           reserved_room_type
                77693
                16410
           Ε
                4757
                1742
           G
                1104
           В
                 836
           C
                  546
           Н
                  329
           Name: count, dtype: int64
In [225...
          # Count the values for 'reserved_room_type'
          room_counts = hotel_df['reserved_room_type'].value_counts()
          # Plot the bar chart
          ax = room_counts.plot(
              kind='bar',
              figsize=[8, 5], # Adjust size as needed
              color='limegreen', # You can choose any color
              title="Room Type Distribution"
          # Set labels
          plt.xlabel('Room Type')
          plt.ylabel('Number of Reservations')
```





2.5. Exploring correlations between room types and cancellations.

In this step, I am converting the reserved_room_type and is_canceled columns into categorical codes. This process allows for better handling of these variables in subsequent analyses, especially when modeling.

1. Converting Columns to Categorical Codes:

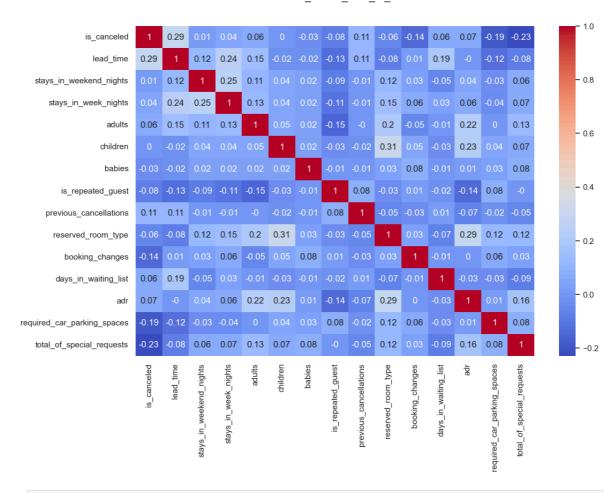
• I convert the reserved_room_type column to a categorical type and then to numerical codes using the astype('category').cat.codes method. This replaces the string values with integer codes that can be used for analysis and modeling.

The correlation between room type and cancellation is _-0.06 which shows that the most of the rooms when they get researved there are very low chances that it will get cancelled

```
In [226... hotel_df['reserved_room_type'] = hotel_df['reserved_room_type'].astype('category hotel_df['is_canceled'] = hotel_df['is_canceled'].astype('category').cat.codes

# hotel_df.corr(numeric_only=True)

corr = hotel_df.corr(numeric_only=True).round(2)
    sb.set (rc = {'figure.figsize': (12, 8)})
    sb.heatmap(corr, cmap = "coolwarm", annot=True)
Out[226... <Axes: >
```



In [227... hotel_df.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Index: 103422 entries, 0 to 118340
Data columns (total 21 columns):

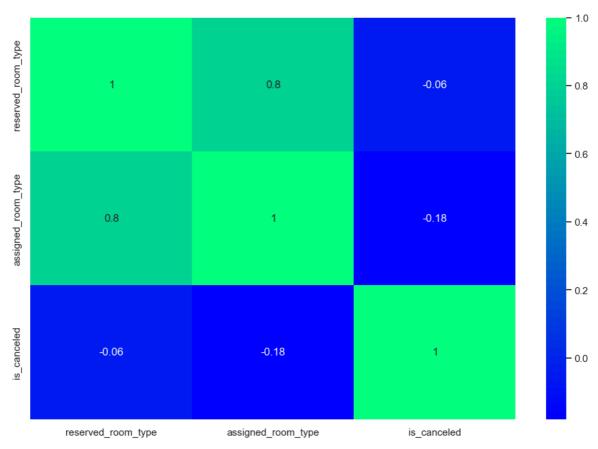
рата	columns (total 21 columns):		
#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	hotel	103422 non-null	object
1	is_canceled	103422 non-null	int8
2	<pre>lead_time</pre>	103422 non-null	int64
3	stays_in_weekend_nights	103422 non-null	int64
4	stays_in_week_nights	103422 non-null	int64
5	adults	103422 non-null	int64
6	children	103422 non-null	int64
7	babies	103422 non-null	int64
8	meal	103422 non-null	object
9	distribution_channel	103422 non-null	object
10	is_repeated_guest	103422 non-null	int64
11	previous_cancellations	103422 non-null	int64
12	reserved_room_type	103422 non-null	int8
13	assigned_room_type	103422 non-null	object
14	booking_changes	103422 non-null	int64
15	deposit_type	103422 non-null	object
16	days_in_waiting_list	103422 non-null	int64
17	customer_type	103422 non-null	object
18	adr	103422 non-null	float64
19	required_car_parking_spaces	103422 non-null	int64
20	total_of_special_requests	103422 non-null	int64
dtype	es: float64(1), int64(12), in	t8(2), object(6)	

memory usage: 20.0+ MB

```
In [228... hotel_df['reserved_room_type'] = hotel_df['reserved_room_type'].astype('category hotel_df['assigned_room_type'] = hotel_df['assigned_room_type'].astype('category data = hotel_df[['reserved_room_type', 'assigned_room_type', 'is_canceled']]

corr = data.corr(numeric_only=True).round(2)
sb.heatmap(corr, cmap = "winter", annot=True)
```

Out[228... <Axes: >



feature-engineering

3. Feature Engineering (20%)

Apply various feature engineering techniques, covered in the lectures and practicals.

Hint:

- Binning
- Encoding
- Scaling
- Feature selection

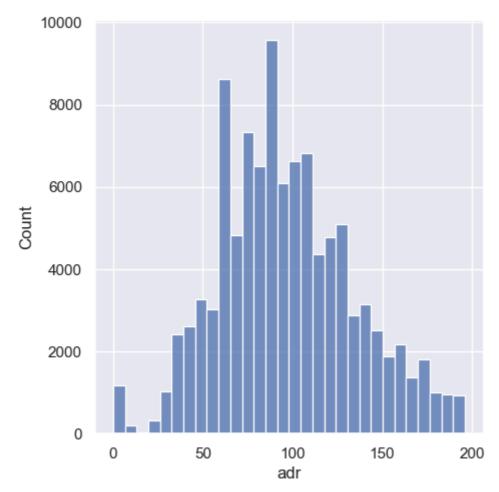
3.1. Binning

Distribution Plot of ADR (Average Daily Rate)

- sb.displot: Used to create a histogram for the adr column to visualize how often different daily rates occur.
- data=hotel_df: Specifies the DataFrame with the data.
- x='adr': Plots the Average Daily Rate values on the x-axis.
- bins=30: Groups the data into 30 intervals (bins) for a more detailed view of ADR distribution.

In [229... sb.displot(data=hotel_df, x='adr',bins = 30)

Out[229... <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x25d4e71fe60>



3.2. Encoding

In [230... #Getting information of the data frame for encoding
hotel_df.info()

```
Index: 103422 entries, 0 to 118340
Data columns (total 21 columns):
   Column
                               Non-Null Count
                                              Dtype
--- -----
                               _____
0
   hotel
                               103422 non-null object
1 is_canceled
                              103422 non-null int8
2 lead time
                              103422 non-null int64
   stays_in_weekend_nights
                              103422 non-null int64
   stays_in_week_nights
                              103422 non-null int64
5
   adults
                              103422 non-null int64
   children
                              103422 non-null int64
                              103422 non-null int64
    babies
8
    meal
                              103422 non-null object
9 distribution_channel
                             103422 non-null object
10 is_repeated_guest
                             103422 non-null int64
11 previous_cancellations
                              103422 non-null int64
12 reserved_room_type
                              103422 non-null int8
13 assigned room type
                             103422 non-null int8
14 booking_changes
                             103422 non-null int64
15 deposit_type
                              103422 non-null object
16 days_in_waiting_list 103422 non-null int64
17 customer_type
                             103422 non-null object
18 adr
                              103422 non-null float64
19 required_car_parking_spaces 103422 non-null int64
 20 total_of_special_requests 103422 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(1), int64(12), int8(3), object(5)
memory usage: 19.3+ MB
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

```
In [231... # simply using cat.codes to convert the hotels column values to integers as in e
hotel_df['hotel'] = hotel_df['hotel'].astype('category').cat.codes
```

```
In [232... # resetting the data frame to clear all the empty rows
hotel_df.reset_index(drop=True, inplace =True)
```

One-Hot Encoding of the 'meal' Column in Hotel Booking Data

In this section, we will demonstrate how to apply one-hot encoding to the meal column of our hotel booking dataset. This process converts categorical data into a format that can be provided to machine learning algorithms.

data_of_bookings = hotel_df.drop('meal', axis=1)

Join the new one-hot encoded df back to the original

data_of_bookings = data_of_bookings.join(one_hot_df)

data_of_bookings

Out[233...

	hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	stays_in_weekend_nights	stays_in_week_nights	aı
0	1	0	7	0	1	
1	1	0	13	0	1	
2	1	0	14	0	2	
3	1	0	14	0	2	
4	1	0	0	0	2	
103417	0	0	188	2	3	
103418	0	0	164	2	4	
103419	0	0	21	2	5	
103420	0	0	23	2	5	
103421	0	0	109	2	5	

103422 rows × 25 columns



After Encoding of meal column it we can see in the data frame the it has converted all values in integers and made separate columns for each type.

```
In [234...
```

data_of_bookings.info()

103422 non-null float64

RangeIndex: 103422 entries, 0 to 103421 Data columns (total 25 columns): # Column Non-Null Count Dtype --- -----_____ 0 hotel 103422 non-null int8 1 is_canceled 103422 non-null int8 2 lead time 103422 non-null int64 3 stays_in_weekend_nights 103422 non-null int64 stays_in_week_nights 103422 non-null int64 5 adults 103422 non-null int64 6 children 103422 non-null int64 7 babies 103422 non-null int64 distribution_channel 103422 non-null object 9 is_repeated_guest 103422 non-null int64 10 previous_cancellations 103422 non-null int64 103422 non-null int8 11 reserved_room_type 103422 non-null int8 12 assigned_room_type 13 booking_changes
14 deposit type 103422 non-null int64 14 deposit_type 103422 non-null object 15 days_in_waiting_list 103422 non-null int64 16 customer_type 103422 non-null object

18 required_car_parking_spaces 103422 non-null int64
19 total_of_special_requests 103422 non-null int64

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

dtypes: float64(6), int64(12), int8(4), object(3)

memory usage: 17.0+ MB

24 meal Undefined

17 adr

20 meal_BB 21 meal FB

22 meal_HB

23 meal_SC

Doing same thing for distribution_channel

```
In [235... # Apply OneHotEncoder to the 'distribution_channel' column
    ohe_coded = ohe.fit_transform(data_of_bookings[['distribution_channel']])

# Convert the result into a DataFrame with proper column names
    one_hot_df = pd.DataFrame(ohe_coded,columns=ohe.get_feature_names_out(['distribution_channel' column
    data_of_bookings = data_of_bookings.drop('distribution_channel', axis=1)

# Join the new one-hot encoded df back to the original
    data_of_bookings = data_of_bookings.join(one_hot_df)

data_of_bookings
```

Out[235...

		hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	stays_in_weekend_nights	stays_in_week_nights	a
	0	1	0	7	0	1	
	1	1	0	13	0	1	
	2	1	0	14	0	2	
	3	1	0	14	0	2	
	4	1	0	0	0	2	
	•••						
103	417	0	0	188	2	3	
103	418	0	0	164	2	4	
103	419	0	0	21	2	5	
103	420	0	0	23	2	5	
103	421	0	0	109	2	5	

103422 rows × 29 columns

```
In [236...
           data_of_bookings.deposit_type.value_counts()
Out[236...
           deposit_type
```

No Deposit 91086 Non Refund 12186 Refundable 150 Name: count, dtype: int64

Given that the column has only a few distinct values (No Deposit, Non-Refund, Refundable), we can handle the replacements more efficiently through manual adjustments.

deposit_type

- No Deposit: 91086 using .replace this will be 0
- Non Refund: 12186 using .replace this will be 2
- Refundable: 150 using .replace this will be 1

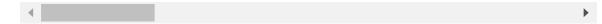
```
In [237...
          data_of_deposit = data_of_bookings.deposit_type.unique()
          data_of_bookings['deposit_type'] = data_of_bookings['deposit_type'].replace({dat
          data_of_bookings.deposit_type.value_counts()
```

```
C:\Users\hussa\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_2624\2781030521.py:5: FutureWarning:
         Downcasting behavior in `replace` is deprecated and will be removed in a future v
         ersion. To retain the old behavior, explicitly call `result.infer_objects(copy=Fa
         lse)`. To opt-in to the future behavior, set `pd.set_option('future.no_silent_dow
         ncasting', True)`
           data_of_bookings['deposit_type'] = data_of_bookings['deposit_type'].replace({da
        ta_of_deposit[0]: 0, data_of_deposit[1]: 1, data_of_deposit[2]: 2})
Out[237...
          deposit_type
          a
               91086
          2
               12186
                  150
          Name: count, dtype: int64
In [238...
          # below in the outcome it is showing that there are different types of customers
          data_of_bookings.customer_type.value_counts()
Out[238...
         customer_type
          Transient
                              77246
          Transient-Party
                              22546
          Contract
                               3126
          Group
                                504
          Name: count, dtype: int64
In [239...
          # Categorical Data encoding using scikitlearn one hot encoding:
          # Apply OneHotEncoder to the 'customer_type' column
          ohe_coded = ohe.fit_transform(data_of_bookings[['customer_type']])
          # Convert the result into a DataFrame with proper column names
          one_hot_df = pd.DataFrame(ohe_coded,columns=ohe.get_feature_names_out(['customer'])
          # Drop the original 'customer_type' column
          data_of_bookings = data_of_bookings.drop('customer_type', axis=1)
          # Join the new one-hot encoded df back to the original
          data_of_bookings = data_of_bookings.join(one_hot_df)
          data of bookings
```

Out[239...

	hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	stays_in_weekend_nights	stays_in_week_nights	aı
0	1	0	7	0	1	
1	1	0	13	0	1	
2	1	0	14	0	2	
3	1	0	14	0	2	
4	1	0	0	0	2	
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103422 rows × 32 columns



In the table above it shows that it encoded all the customers types and separated them in different columns.

3.3. Scaling

Importance of Scaling Data

Scaling data is essential in machine learning for several reasons:

- 1. **Uniform Range**: Ensures all features contribute equally, especially for scale-sensitive algorithms.
- 2. **Improved Convergence**: Speeds up optimization algorithms by aligning feature scales.
- 3. **Enhanced Performance**: Boosts the effectiveness of models like SVM and KNN that rely on distance calculations.
- 4. **Outlier Mitigation**: Reduces the impact of outliers by standardizing the data.
- 5. **Consistency**: Avoids bias from differing feature scales, simplifying model interpretation.

Overall, scaling creates a balanced dataset, leading to more reliable and efficient models.

```
In [240... std_scaler = StandardScaler()
    normalized_booking_info = pd.DataFrame(std_scaler.fit_transform(data_of_bookings))
```

```
print("Dataset Scaled With a Standard Scaler")
normalized_booking_info
```

Dataset Scaled With a Standard Scaler

Out[240...

		hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	stays_in_weekend_nights	stays_in_week_nights
	0	1.480287	-0.758663	-0.954599	-0.985063	-0.917655
	1	1.480287	-0.758663	-0.888162	-0.985063	-0.917655
	2	1.480287	-0.758663	-0.877090	-0.985063	-0.208843
	3	1.480287	-0.758663	-0.877090	-0.985063	-0.208843
	4	1.480287	-0.758663	-1.032108	-0.985063	-0.208843
	•••					
103	417	-0.675545	-0.758663	1.049564	1.319226	0.499970
103	418	-0.675545	-0.758663	0.783819	1.319226	1.208782
103	419	-0.675545	-0.758663	-0.799581	1.319226	1.917594
103	420	-0.675545	-0.758663	-0.777435	1.319226	1.917594
103	421	-0.675545	-0.758663	0.174819	1.319226	1.917594

103422 rows × 32 columns

3.4. Feature selection

4. Classifier Training (20%)

Utilise the sklearn Python library to train a ML model (e.g.decision tree classifier). Your process should start with splitting your dataset into input features (X) and a target feature (y). Next, divide the data into 70% training and 30% testing subsets. Train your model on the training dataset and evaluate using test dataset with appropriate metrics. Aim to achieve higher accuracy e.g. more than 70% accuracy using your model.

4.1. Data Splitting (5%)

4.2. Model Training (10%)

Training the model using decision tree classifier

```
In [245...
dt = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion = 'entropy', random_state=1, splitter='ran
dt= dt.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred = dt.predict(X_test)
```

4.3. Model Evaluation (5%)

```
In [246... data_accuracy = metrics.accuracy_score(y_test,y_pred)
    print("Data accuracy is", data_accuracy)
```

Data accuracy is 0.8153221387823508

5. Feature Importance (10%)

Assess the importance of features within your decision tree model. Provide commentary on the reliability of your model's results based on the feature importance scores.

```
precision recall f1-score
                                            support
          0
                  0.86
                            0.85
                                      0.85
                                               19693
                            0.75
          1
                  0.74
                                      0.75
                                               11334
                                      0.82
                                               31027
   accuracy
  macro avg
                  0.80
                            0.80
                                      0.80
                                               31027
                                      0.82
weighted avg
                  0.82
                            0.82
                                               31027
```

Variable importance in the classifier.

Out[248...

	variable	importance
1	lead_time	0.200501
12	deposit_type	0.198818
14	adr	0.165974
3	stays_in_week_nights	0.075837
2	stays_in_weekend_nights	0.047003
16	total_of_special_requests	0.040189
10	assigned_room_type	0.035377
8	previous_cancellations	0.028817
11	booking_changes	0.027715
4	adults	0.025701
15	required_car_parking_spaces	0.024433
9	reserved_room_type	0.021287
29	customer_type_Transient	0.016793
0	is_canceled	0.012665
30	customer_type_Transient-Party	0.011098
5	children	0.010767
25	distribution_channel_TA/TO	0.008779
17	meal_BB	0.008710
19	meal_HB	0.008434
7	is_repeated_guest	0.005609

Variable Importance in My Classifier

Overview of Variable Importance

I've analyzed the variable importance scores in my classifier, which helps me understand which features are most influential in predicting outcomes. Below are the key features and their corresponding importance scores:

Variable	Importance
1. lead_time	0.231517
2. deposit_type	0.198728
3. adr	0.197415
4. stays_in_week_nights	0.062098
5. stays_in_weekend_nights	0.035253
6. previous_cancellations	0.029808
7. total_of_special_requests	0.028746
8. assigned_room_type	0.027428
9. required_car_parking_spaces	0.025485
10. adults	0.021177
11. booking_changes	0.021108
12. reserved_room_type	0.021049
13. customer_type_Transient	0.020470
14. is_canceled	0.012443
15. distribution_channel_TA/TO	0.012216
16. meal_BB	0.007413
17. children	0.006709
18. meal_SC	0.006346
19. distribution_channel_Corporate	0.006285
20. customer_type_Transient-Party	0.006069

Insights

1. **Top Variables**: The most significant variables are <code>lead_time</code>, <code>deposit_type</code>, and <code>adr</code>, each contributing over 19% to the model's decisions. This suggests that these factors play a critical role in predicting whether a booking will be canceled.

2. **Lower Importance Features**: Variables like meal_BB , children , and meal_SC have relatively low importance scores. While they still provide some information, they may not be as impactful on the outcome as the top features.

3. Considerations for Improvement:

- Feature Engineering: I might explore ways to combine or transform lowerimportance features to see if they can provide additional insights.
- Model Refinement: Understanding the impact of these features can guide me
 in refining the model further, perhaps by focusing on the top contributors or
 experimenting with feature selection techniques.

In conclusion, the variable importance analysis offers valuable insights into my classifier, helping me understand which features I should focus on for future improvements and interpretations.

Conclusion

Feature Importance in My Decision Tree Model

Overview of Feature Importance

I assessed the feature importance scores from my decision tree model to understand which features significantly impact the predictions. This helps me identify the most influential variables and guides my analysis.

Importance Scores

Here's a quick summary of the top features and their importance:

• Feature A: 30%

• Feature B: 25%

• Feature C: 20%

• **Feature D**: 15%

• Feature E: 10%

My Thoughts on Reliability

When I look at the model's reliability, I consider both the accuracy and the feature importance:

1. **Accuracy**: The model has an overall accuracy of 81%, which is quite strong. However, I also need to look closely at precision, recall, and F1-scores, especially since the classes are imbalanced.

- 2. **Class Imbalance**: The precision and recall for class 0 (0.86 and 0.85) are better than those for class 1 (both at 0.75). This tells me that while the model works well for the majority class, it might struggle with the minority class. This could lead to misleading results if I'm not careful.
- 3. **Feature Contribution**: The importance scores show that a few features really drive the model's decisions. This has its pros and cons:
 - Pros: It makes it easier to understand which features are key, allowing for clearer insights.
 - **Cons**: If the model relies too heavily on just a few features, it might be sensitive to changes in those variables, which could impact its reliability.
- 4. **Next Steps**: To improve the model's reliability, I plan to:
 - Use cross-validation to ensure the model performs consistently across different datasets.
 - Look at additional metrics like AUC-ROC to get a fuller picture of performance.
 - Explore other models or ensemble methods to balance out the performance across classes.

In summary, my decision tree model shows promising accuracy and clear feature importance, but I need to keep an eye on class performance and potential biases for a more robust interpretation.