Airbnb_Project

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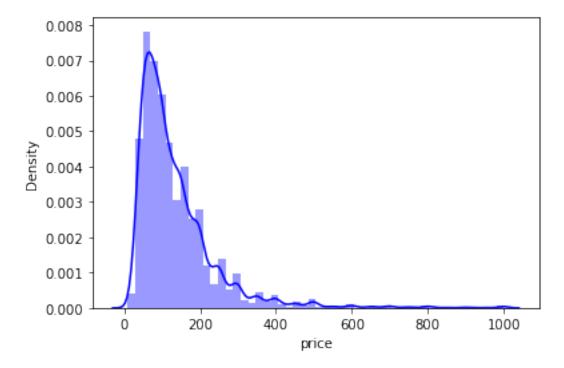
1 1 Data Visualization

```
[47]: import pandas as pd
      import numpy as np
      from matplotlib import pyplot
[48]:
     df = pd.read_csv("Airbnb_NYC_2019.csv")
[49]:
     df.head()
[49]:
           id
                                                                    host_id \
                                                              name
      0
         2539
                              Clean & quiet apt home by the park
                                                                       2787
      1 2595
                                            Skylit Midtown Castle
                                                                       2845
      2 3647
                             THE VILLAGE OF HARLEM...NEW YORK !
                                                                    4632
      3 3831
                                 Cozy Entire Floor of Brownstone
                                                                       4869
      4 5022
               Entire Apt: Spacious Studio/Loft by central park
                                                                       7192
           host_name neighbourhood_group neighbourhood
                                                          latitude
                                                                     longitude \
      0
                John
                                 Brooklyn
                                              Kensington
                                                          40.64749
                                                                     -73.97237
      1
            Jennifer
                                Manhattan
                                                 Midtown
                                                          40.75362
                                                                     -73.98377
      2
           Elisabeth
                                Manhattan
                                                          40.80902
                                                                     -73.94190
                                                  Harlem
      3
         LisaRoxanne
                                 Brooklyn
                                           Clinton Hill
                                                          40.68514
                                                                     -73.95976
                                             East Harlem
                                Manhattan
                                                         40.79851
                                                                    -73.94399
               Laura
                                  minimum_nights
                                                   number_of_reviews last_review \
               room_type
                           price
                                                                    9
                                                                       2018-10-19
      0
            Private room
                             149
                                                1
         Entire home/apt
      1
                             225
                                                1
                                                                   45
                                                                       2019-05-21
                                                3
      2
            Private room
                             150
                                                                              NaN
         Entire home/apt
                                                                       2019-07-05
                              89
                                                1
                                                                  270
         Entire home/apt
                              80
                                               10
                                                                       2018-11-19
                             calculated_host_listings_count
         reviews_per_month
                                                               availability_365
      0
                       0.21
                                                           6
                                                                            365
                       0.38
                                                           2
                                                                            355
      1
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      2
                       NaN
                                                                            365
      3
                       4.64
                                                                            194
                                                           1
      4
                       0.10
                                                           1
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```

```
[51]: import seaborn as sns
price_plot = sns.distplot(df['price'],color='b')
```

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warnings.warn(msg, FutureWarning)



```
[52]: df2= df[df['price']> 69.000000]

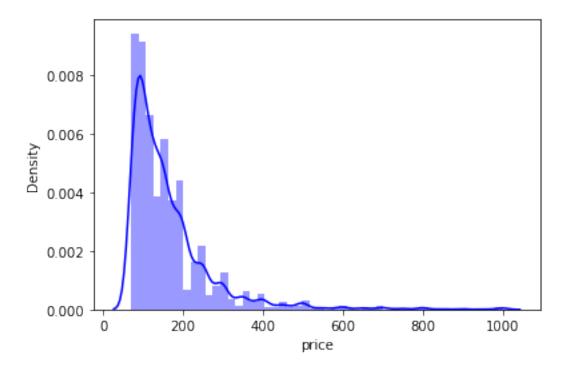
[53]: sns.distplot(df2['price'],color='b')
```

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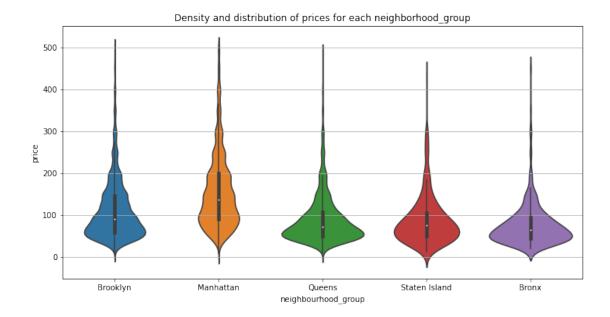
[53]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='price', ylabel='Density'>



```
[54]: df['neighbourhood_group'].unique()
```

```
[55]: #Brooklyn
      sub_1=df.loc[df['neighbourhood_group'] == 'Brooklyn']
      price_sub1=sub_1[['price']]
      #Manhattan
      sub_2=df.loc[df['neighbourhood_group'] == 'Manhattan']
      price_sub2=sub_2[['price']]
      #Queens
      sub_3=df.loc[df['neighbourhood_group'] == 'Queens']
      price_sub3=sub_3[['price']]
      #Staten Island
      sub_4=df.loc[df['neighbourhood_group'] == 'Staten Island']
      price_sub4=sub_4[['price']]
      #Bronx
      sub_5=df.loc[df['neighbourhood_group'] == 'Bronx']
      price_sub5=sub_5[['price']]
      #putting all the prices' dfs in the list
      price_list_by_n=[price_sub1, price_sub2, price_sub3, price_sub4, price_sub5]
```

```
[56]: #creating an empty list that we will append later with price distributions for
       \rightarrow each neighbourhood_group
      p_l_b_n_2=[]
      #creating list with known values in neighbourhood group column
      nei_list=['Brooklyn', 'Manhattan', 'Queens', 'Staten Island', 'Bronx']
      #creating a for loop to get statistics for price ranges and append it to our
      \rightarrow empty list
      for x in price_list_by_n:
          i=x.describe(percentiles=[.25, .50, .75])
          i=i.iloc[3:]
          i.reset_index(inplace=True)
          i.rename(columns={'index':'Stats'}, inplace=True)
          p 1 b n 2.append(i)
      #changing names of the price column to the area name for easier reading of the
       \rightarrow table
      p_l_b_n_2[0].rename(columns={'price':nei_list[0]}, inplace=True)
      p_l_b_n_2[1].rename(columns={'price':nei_list[1]}, inplace=True)
      p_l_b_n_2[2].rename(columns={'price':nei_list[2]}, inplace=True)
      p_l_b_n_2[3].rename(columns={'price':nei_list[3]}, inplace=True)
      p_l_b_n_2[4].rename(columns={'price':nei_list[4]}, inplace=True)
      #finilizing our dataframe for final view
      stat_df=p_l_b_n_2
      stat df=[df.set index('Stats') for df in stat df]
      stat_df=stat_df[0].join(stat_df[1:])
      stat df
[56]:
             Brooklyn Manhattan Queens Staten Island Bronx
      Stats
      min
                 10.0
                            10.0
                                     10.0
                                                    13.0
                                                           20.0
      25%
                 60.0
                            90.0
                                                    50.0
                                                           45.0
                                     50.0
      50%
                 93.0
                           140.0
                                     72.0
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                                                           65.0
      75%
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                           200.0
                                   109.0
                                                   105.0
                                                           95.0
     max
               1000.0
                          1000.0 1000.0
                                                   625.0 800.0
[57]: sub_6=df[df.price < 500]
[58]: dims = (12, 6)
      fig, ax = pyplot.subplots(figsize = dims)
      viz_nei=sns.violinplot(data=sub_6, x='neighbourhood_group', y='price', ax=ax)
      viz_nei.set_title('Density and distribution of prices for each_
       →neighborhood_group')
      viz_nei.grid(axis = 'y')
      fig = viz_nei.figure
      fig.savefig('Density.png', dpi = 400)
```



First, we can state that Manhattan has the highest range of prices for the listings with \$150 price as average observation, followed by Brooklyn with \$90 per night. Queens and Staten Island appear to have very similar distributions, Bronx is the cheapest of them all.

```
[59]: df2.dtypes
```

```
[59]: id
                                            int64
                                          object
      name
                                            int64
      host_id
      host name
                                          object
      neighbourhood_group
                                          object
      neighbourhood
                                          object
      latitude
                                         float64
      longitude
                                         float64
      room_type
                                          object
                                            int64
      price
      minimum_nights
                                           int64
      number_of_reviews
                                           int64
      last_review
                                          object
      reviews_per_month
                                         float64
                                            int64
      calculated_host_listings_count
      availability_365
                                            int64
      dtype: object
```

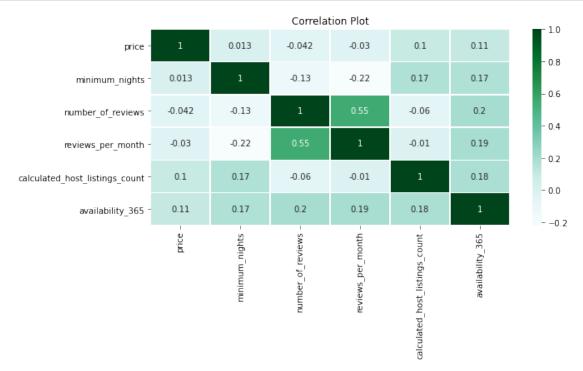
```
[60]: # numerical correlation

num_corr = 

→df[['price','minimum_nights','number_of_reviews','reviews_per_month', 

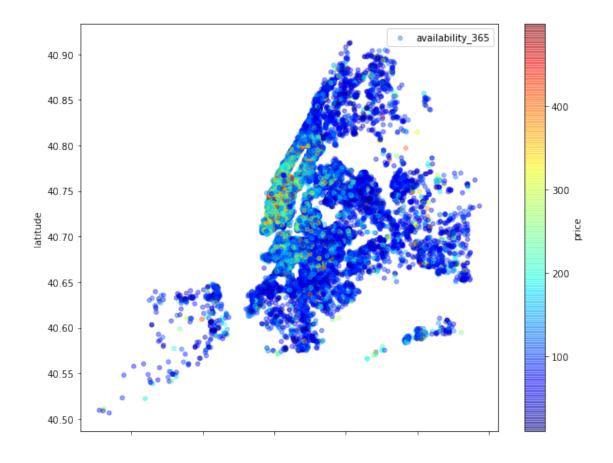
→'calculated_host_listings_count','availability_365']].corr(method = 'pearson')
```

```
dims = (10, 6)
fig, ax = pyplot.subplots(figsize = dims)
heat = sns.heatmap(num_corr, cmap="BuGn", annot = True, linewidths=0.5, ax = ax)
heat.set_title("Correlation Plot")
fig = heat.figure
fig.tight_layout()
fig.savefig("Correlation.png", dpi = 400)
```

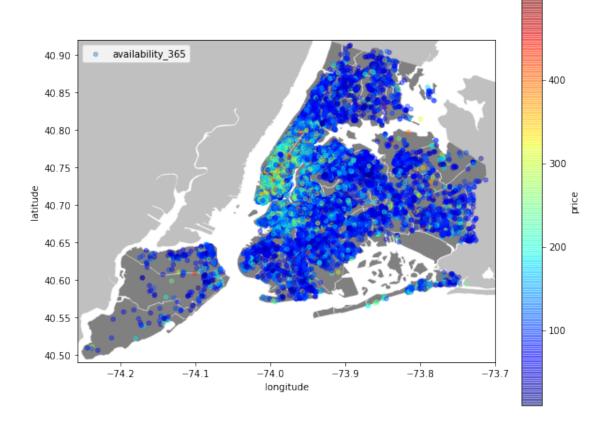


reviews per month and number of reviews have relatively high correlation. Others columns don't obvious high correlation with each other

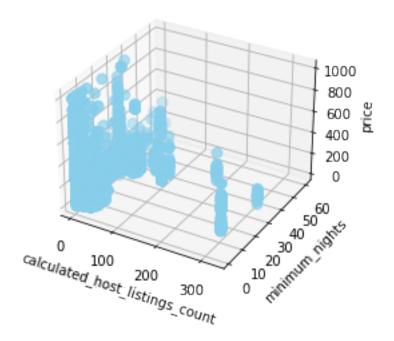
[62]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x24472a41fa0>

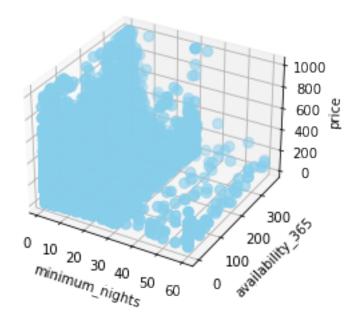


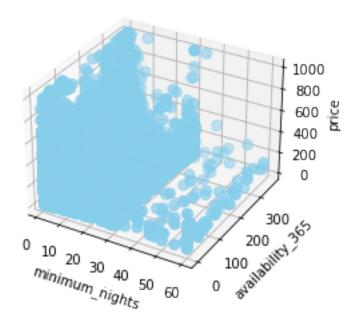
```
[63]: import urllib
      #initializing the figure size
      plt.figure(figsize=(10,8))
      #loading the png NYC image found on Google and saving to my local folder along \Box
       → with the project
      URL = 'https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/e/ec/
       →Neighbourhoods_New_York_City_Map.PNG'
      try:
          import imageio
          nyc_image = imageio.imread(URL)
      except:
          from PIL import Image
          import requests
          from io import BytesIO
          response = requests.get(URL)
          nyc_image = np.array(Image.open(BytesIO(response.content)))
      #scaling the image based on the latitude and longitude max and mins for proper_
       \hookrightarrow output
      plt.imshow(nyc_image,zorder=0,extent=[-74.258, -73.7, 40.49,40.92])
      ax=plt.gca()
```



plt.show()







2 2. Data Preprocessing

```
[1]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     import pandas as pd
     import numpy as np
     import seaborn as sns
     from scipy import stats
     from sklearn import preprocessing
     import geohash as gh
     from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
     import category_encoders as ce
[2]: df = pd.read_csv("Airbnb_NYC_2019.csv")
    df.head()
[3]:
          id
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       2539
                            Clean & quiet apt home by the park
                                                                    2787
     1 2595
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                                                                    2845
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     3 3831
                               Cozy Entire Floor of Brownstone
                                                                    4869
     4 5022 Entire Apt: Spacious Studio/Loft by central park
                                                                    7192
          host_name neighbourhood_group neighbourhood
                                                       latitude
                                                                  longitude \
                                                                  -73.97237
     0
               John
                               Brooklyn
                                           Kensington 40.64749
```

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           Jennifer
                               Manhattan
                                               Midtown
                                                        40.75362 -73.98377
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                              Manhattan
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                                         Clinton Hill
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                               Manhattan
                                           East Harlem 40.79851 -73.94399
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              room_type
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                                                                     2018-10-19
       Entire home/apt
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           Private room
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                                                                  0
                                                                            NaN
     3 Entire home/apt
                            89
                                              1
                                                                270
                                                                    2019-07-05
     4 Entire home/apt
                            80
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[4]: df.dtypes
[4]: id
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     name
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     host_id
                                          int64
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     host name
     neighbourhood_group
                                         object
    neighbourhood
                                         object
     latitude
                                        float64
     longitude
                                        float64
     room_type
                                         object
                                          int64
     price
     minimum_nights
                                          int64
     number_of_reviews
                                          int64
     last_review
                                         object
     reviews_per_month
                                        float64
```

[5]: df.shape

[5]: (48895, 16)

availability_365

dtype: object

calculated_host_listings_count

int64

int64

2.1 Dealing with missing values

```
[6]: # check missing values
     df.isna().sum()
[6]
```

: [id	0
	name	16
	host_id	0
	host_name	21
	neighbourhood_group	0
	neighbourhood	0
	latitude	0
	longitude	0
	room_type	0
	price	0
	minimum_nights	0
	number_of_reviews	0
	last_review	10052
	reviews_per_month	10052
	calculated_host_listings_count	0
	availability_365	0
	dtype: int64	

We can keep the missing values for name, host name, since we are not going to using these variables in the model anyways. Even if we were, it may be worth it to keep them in the model to decide what the output of a null host_name would be. As for last_review and reviews_per_month, we believe that last_month is a variable that we would never include in the model. For reviews_per_month, we can replace all the missing values to 0, because 0 should be the correct value if a review has never been made for that listing.

The empty values for name, host_name, and last reviews can be dropped, since they seem nonmenaingful to impute. We can replace the empty values for reviews per month with 0 values, because this means there is no review per month.

```
[7]: df['reviews_per_month'] = df['reviews_per_month'].fillna(0.00)
     df['name'] = df['name'].fillna('')
     df['host_name'] = df['host_name'].fillna('')
```

```
[8]: #check missing values again
     df.isna().sum()
```

```
[8]: id
                                              0
                                              0
     name
     host id
                                              0
     host_name
                                              0
     neighbourhood_group
                                              0
                                              0
     neighbourhood
     latitude
                                              0
     longitude
                                              0
```

```
0
     price
     minimum_nights
                                              0
     number_of_reviews
                                              0
                                         10052
     last_review
     reviews_per_month
                                              0
     calculated_host_listings_count
                                              0
     availability_365
                                              0
     dtype: int64
[9]:
     df.describe()
[9]:
                       id
                                                                                price
                                 host_id
                                               latitude
                                                             longitude
            4.889500e+04
                           4.889500e+04
                                          48895.000000
                                                          48895.000000
                                                                         48895.000000
     count
            1.901714e+07
                            6.762001e+07
                                              40.728949
                                                            -73.952170
                                                                           152.720687
     mean
     std
                           7.861097e+07
            1.098311e+07
                                               0.054530
                                                              0.046157
                                                                           240.154170
     min
            2.539000e+03
                           2.438000e+03
                                              40.499790
                                                            -74.244420
                                                                             0.000000
     25%
            9.471945e+06
                           7.822033e+06
                                              40.690100
                                                            -73.983070
                                                                            69.000000
     50%
                                                            -73.955680
            1.967728e+07
                           3.079382e+07
                                              40.723070
                                                                           106.000000
     75%
            2.915218e+07
                           1.074344e+08
                                              40.763115
                                                            -73.936275
                                                                           175.000000
            3.648724e+07
                                                            -73.712990
                                                                         10000.000000
                           2.743213e+08
                                              40.913060
     max
                              number_of_reviews
                                                  reviews_per_month
            minimum_nights
              48895.000000
                                   48895.000000
                                                        48895.000000
     count
     mean
                   7.029962
                                      23.274466
                                                            1.090910
                  20.510550
     std
                                      44.550582
                                                            1.597283
     min
                   1.000000
                                       0.000000
                                                            0.000000
     25%
                   1.000000
                                       1.000000
                                                            0.040000
     50%
                   3.000000
                                       5.000000
                                                            0.370000
     75%
                   5.000000
                                      24.000000
                                                            1.580000
                1250.000000
                                     629.000000
                                                           58.500000
     max
```

0

room_type

	calculated_host_listings_count	availability_365
count	48895.000000	48895.000000
mean	7.143982	112.781327
std	32.952519	131.622289
min	1.000000	0.000000
25%	1.000000	0.000000
50%	1.000000	45.000000
75%	2.000000	227.000000
max	327.000000	365.000000

2.2 Omit extreme outliers and invalid values

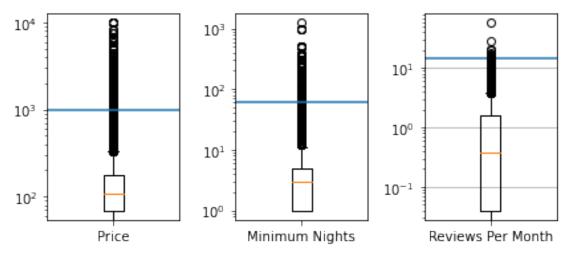
There are also be some erroneous values in the dataset. For example, there are instances where the price is 10,000 per day despite being a single private room.

For price, we omit from the dataset if the price is above 3,000 per day or costs 0 per day. For

minimum_nights, we omit if the number of minimum nights is above 60 days per month. For reviews_per_month, we omit if the number is above 15 per month, as it is very unlikely a listing could get 15 reviews a month, which is a review every 2 days.

```
[10]: fig = plt.figure(figsize = (6,3))
      ax1 = fig.add_subplot(1,3,1)
      ax1.boxplot(df['price'])
      ax1.set_yscale('log')
      ax1.axhline(y = 1000)
      ax1.set_xticklabels(['Price'])
      ax2 = fig.add subplot(1,3,2)
      ax2.set_yscale('log')
      ax2.boxplot(df['minimum nights'])
      ax2.set_xticklabels(['Minimum Nights'])
      ax2.axhline(y = 60)
      ax3 = fig.add_subplot(1,3,3)
      ax3.set_yscale('log')
      ax3.axhline(y = 15)
      ax3.boxplot(df['reviews_per_month'])
      ax3.set_xticklabels(['Reviews Per Month'])
      plt.tight_layout()
      fig.suptitle("Box Plot and Extreme Outlier Cutoff (Blue Line)", y = 0.95)
      plt.grid(axis = 'y')
      plt.subplots_adjust(top = 0.85)
      plt.savefig('outlier.png', dpi = 400)
      plt.show()
```

Box Plot and Extreme Outlier Cutoff (Blue Line)



2.3 What are some components that need to take into considerations for house price?

geography (latitude, longitude), minimum_nights, number_of_reviews, reviews_per_month, calculated_host_listings_count, availability_365. Thus we can exclude id, host_id, last_review from our considerations for training data. We also exclude neighbourhood_group from our analysis as we believe this too closely overlaps with coordinate data.

[12]: # generate training data

```
# drop unrelated information
      # neighborhood has the same information as latitude and longitude, thus,
      →enighborhood can be dropped
     df_relevant = df_omit.drop(['id', 'name', 'host_name', | 
       [13]: df_relevant.head()
[13]:
       neighbourhood group latitude longitude
                                                      room type
                                                                 price \
                  Brooklyn 40.64749 -73.97237
                                                   Private room
                                                                   149
     1
                 Manhattan 40.75362 -73.98377
                                                Entire home/apt
                                                                   225
     2
                 Manhattan 40.80902 -73.94190
                                                    Private room
                                                                   150
     3
                  Brooklyn 40.68514 -73.95976
                                                Entire home/apt
                                                                    89
     4
                 Manhattan 40.79851 -73.94399
                                                 Entire home/apt
                                                                    80
        minimum_nights
                        number_of_reviews
                                          reviews_per_month \
     0
                                                       0.21
                     1
                                        9
     1
                     1
                                       45
                                                       0.38
     2
                     3
                                        0
                                                       0.00
     3
                     1
                                      270
                                                       4.64
     4
                    10
                                                       0.10
        calculated_host_listings_count availability_365
     0
                                                     365
     1
                                     2
                                                     355
     2
                                     1
                                                     365
     3
                                     1
                                                     194
     4
                                     1
                                                      0
[14]: #check number of unique values in each columne to decide what processing
      \rightarrow technique to use
     df_relevant.nunique()
[14]: neighbourhood_group
                                           5
     latitude
                                       18967
     longitude
                                       14664
     room_type
                                           3
     price
                                         569
     minimum_nights
                                          50
```

```
number_of_reviews 391
reviews_per_month 927
calculated_host_listings_count 47
availability_365 366
dtype: int64
```

2.4 One hot encoding for categorical variables

```
[15]: print(df_relevant['room_type'].unique())
print(df_relevant['neighbourhood_group'].unique())

['Private_room', 'Entire_home/ant', 'Shared_room']
```

```
['Private room' 'Entire home/apt' 'Shared room']
['Brooklyn' 'Manhattan' 'Queens' 'Staten Island' 'Bronx']
```

Based on the number of unique values and data type for each column. We can apply the following encoding method for text preprocessing:

- 1. one hot encoding for neighbor group
- 2. create grouping for latitude and longitude first? then encode? 3.label encode for room type since size matters
- 3. conduct normalization/standardization for all continuous data

```
[16]: #exclude label
df_relevant.drop(['price'], axis = 1, inplace= True)
```

```
[17]: df_relevant.head()
```

[17]:	neighbourhood_group	latitude	longitude	room_type	minimum_nights	\
C	Brooklyn	40.64749	-73.97237	Private room	1	
1	Manhattan	40.75362	-73.98377	Entire home/apt	1	
2	Manhattan	40.80902	-73.94190	Private room	3	
3	Brooklyn	40.68514	-73.95976	Entire home/apt	1	
_	Manhattan	40.79851	-73.94399	Entire home/apt	10	

	number_of_reviews	reviews_per_month	<pre>calculated_host_listings_count</pre>	\
0	9	0.21	6	
1	45	0.38	2	
2	0	0.00	1	
3	270	4.64	1	
4	9	0.10	1	

2.5 Geohash for latitude and longitude

```
[19]: # create geohash code for geographical data
     df_relevant_encode['geohash']=df_relevant_encode.apply(lambda x: gh.

→encode(x['latitude'], x['longitude'], precision=7), axis=1)
[20]: df relevant encode.head()
[20]:
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[21]: #drop latltitude longitude
      df_relevant_encode.drop(['latitude', 'longitude'], axis = 1, inplace= True)
[22]: df_relevant_encode.head()
[22]:
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[23]: df_relevant_encode.geohash.nunique()
       # there are 10442 unique geographical location, should apply target encoding_{f \sqcup}
        \rightarrow later
[23]: 10431
[24]: X_col_names = df_relevant_encode.columns
       X = df_relevant_encode.values.tolist()
       y = df_omit['price'].tolist()
           2.6 Split Train and Test Data (2/3, 1/3 \text{ split})
      Split train data and test data for this one, with 67% in the training set and 33% in the testing set.
[287]: #train test split
       X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.33,__
        →random_state=42)
       print(len(X_train))
       print(len(X test))
       print(len(y_train))
       print(len(y_test))
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[288]: #create train and test dataframe for target encoding later
       df_train = pd.DataFrame(X_train)
       df_test = pd.DataFrame(X_test)
       df_test_keep = df_test
       df_train.columns = X_col_names
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df_test.columns = X_col_names

2.7 2.7 Transform Continuous Variables

Use TargetEncoder to encode the geohash. Also, transform the y-variable and x-variables if necessary into either normalized/standardized form.

Normalization is good to use when you know that the distribution of your data does not follow a Gaussian distribution. This can be useful in algorithms that do not assume any distribution of the data like K-Nearest Neighbors and Neural Networks.

Standardization, on the other hand, can be helpful in cases where the data follows a Gaussian distribution. However, this does not have to be necessarily true. Also, unlike normalization, standardization does not have a bounding range. So, even if you have outliers in your data, they will not be affected by standardization.

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[27]: # target encode on geolocations, since the amount of unique values are large
# if we look at price as a target, each row with the unique value of

→ geolocation would be replaced with the average price for the house
encoder = ce.TargetEncoder(cols=['geohash'], smoothing=0, return_df=True)

df_train['coded_geo'] = encoder.fit_transform(df_train['geohash'], y_train)
df_test['coded_geo'] = encoder.transform(df_train['geohash'])
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C:\Users\williamshih\anaconda3\lib\site-packages\category_encoders\utils.py:21:
FutureWarning: is_categorical is deprecated and will be removed in a future
version. Use is_categorical_dtype instead
 elif pd.api.types.is_categorical(cols):

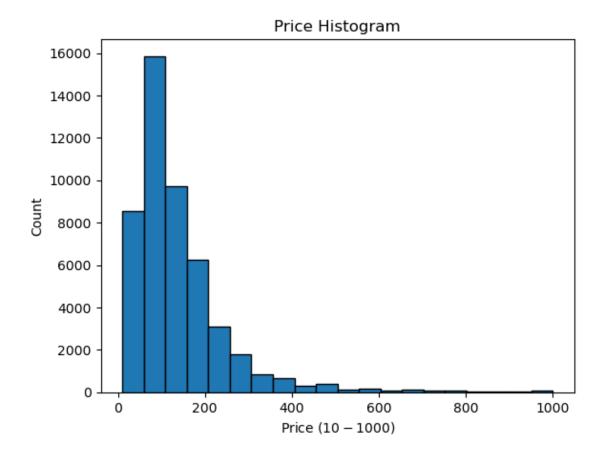
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[28]: df_train.drop('geohash', axis=1, inplace= True)
df_test.drop('geohash', axis=1, inplace= True)
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It turns out the y-variable could benefit from a log transformation, depending on what model we are using as the distribution of prices is close to a lognormal distribution.

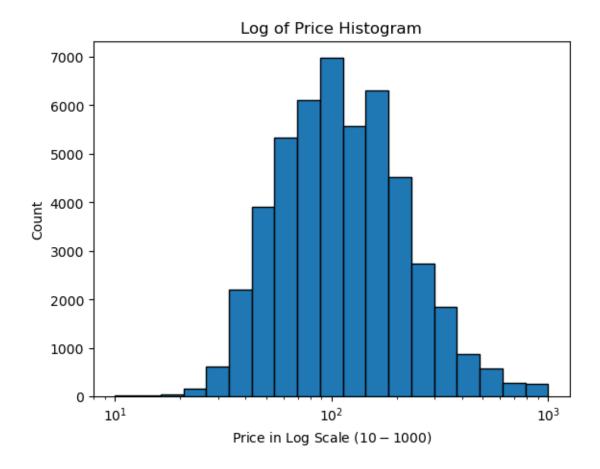
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[195]: one, two, three = stats.boxcox(y_train, alpha = 0.95)
print(one, two, three)
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[3.46772722 3.24726153 2.84606459 ... 3.07714054 3.39164121 3.09132378] -0.1609889676842369 (-0.16143279787151976, -0.1605450980339704)

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[210]: y_series = pd.Series(y)
plt.hist(y_series, bins = 20, histtype = 'bar', ec = 'black')
plt.title("Price Histogram")
plt.xlabel("Price ($10-$1000)")
plt.ylabel("Count")
plt.savefig("LinearPriceHist.png", dpi = 400)
plt.show()
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[211]: y_series = pd.Series(y)
logbins = np.geomspace(y_series.min(), y_series.max(), 20)
plt.hist(y_series, bins = logbins, histtype = 'bar', ec = 'black')
plt.xscale('log')
plt.title("Log of Price Histogram")
plt.xlabel("Price in Log Scale ($10-$1000)")
plt.ylabel("Count")
plt.savefig("LogPriceHist.png", dpi = 400)
plt.show()
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[30]: # concatenate train and test dataframes again for normalization on
       \rightarrow stanadardization
      df_train['price'] = y_train
      df_test['price'] = y_test
      df_whole = pd.concat([df_train, df_test])
[31]: # apply standarization or normalization on continuous values based on the data_
       \rightarrow distribution
      to_scale = ['minimum_nights', 'number_of_reviews', 'reviews_per_month',
             'calculated_host_listings_count', 'availability_365','coded_geo']
      scaled_train = df_train.copy()
      scaled_test = df_test.copy()
      scaled_features = scaled_train[to_scale]
      scaler = preprocessing.StandardScaler().fit(scaled_features)
      scaled_train[to_scale] = scaler.transform(scaled_features)
      scaled_test[to_scale] = scaler.transform(scaled_test[to_scale])
[32]: # This is extra code in case room_type uses the label encode instead of one-hotu
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# scaler2 = preprocessing.StandardScaler().fit(df_relevant_label['room_type'].
       \rightarrow values.reshape(-1,1))
      # df_relevant_label['room_type'] = scaler2.
       → transform(df relevant label['room type'].values.reshape(-1,1))
[33]: print(scaler.mean_, scaler.var_)
      # print(scaler2.mean_, scaler2.var_)
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                                                 7.14419424 111.87177586
      145.06139662] [7.97672334e+01 1.97257864e+03 2.45885778e+00 1.07521505e+03
      1.72229072e+04 4.35186541e+03]
[34]: scaled_train.describe()
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[36]: # correlation plot to decide variables
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      neighbourhood_group_Queens
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[37]: | scaled_train_X = scaled_train.loc[:, scaled_train.columns != 'price'].values.
      →tolist()
     scaled_train_y = scaled_train['price'].tolist()
     scaled_test_X = scaled_test.loc[:, scaled_train.columns != 'price'].values.
      →tolist()
     scaled_test_y = scaled_test['price'].tolist()
```

3 3.Model training

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[38]: # some helper functions to do plotting
      # get the raw features importance (aggregate all dummies)
      def raw feature importance(importance dataframe, num pos, cate list):
          # numercial feature importance
          num_importance = importance_dataframe.head(num_pos)
          num_importance.reset_index(drop = True, inplace = True)
          cate_dict ={}
          for i in cate_list:
              summ = 0
              for (idx, row) in importance_dataframe.iterrows():
                  if i in row.loc['Feature']:
                      summ += row.loc['Importance']
              cate dict[i] = summ
          cate_importance = pd.DataFrame.from_dict(cate_dict, orient='index')
          cate_importance.rename(columns={0: 'Importance'}, inplace=True)
          cate_importance.reset_index(inplace = True)
          cate_importance.rename(index=str, columns={"index": "Feature"}, inplace =__
       →True)
          raw_feature_importances = pd.concat([num_importance, cate_importance])
          raw_feature_importances.sort_values(by=['Importance'], inplace = True, ___
       →ascending=False)
          return raw_feature_importances
      # feature importance
      def plot_feature_importance(rank_importance,left_limit, color, alpha, size_L,_
       →size_H, title):
          plt.style.use('default')
          fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,1)
          ax.barh(range(len(rank_importance['Feature'][0:
       →left_limit])),rank_importance[0:
       →left_limit]['Importance'],color=color,alpha=alpha)
          #ax.barh(rank importance[0:
       \rightarrow left_limit]['Importance'], range(len(rank_importance['Feature'][0:
       \rightarrow left_limit])), color=color, alpha=alpha)
          ax.set_yticks(range(rank_importance[0:left_limit].shape[0]))
          ax.set_yticklabels(rank_importance[0:left_limit]['Feature'],
       →rotation='horizontal', fontsize=12)
          ax.set_ylabel('Features', fontsize = 16)
          ax.set_xlabel('Feature importance', fontsize = 16)
          ax.set_title(title, fontsize = 16)
          fig.set_size_inches(size_L, size_H)
          plt.tight_layout()
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plt.grid(axis = 'x')
plt.savefig(title + '.png', dpi = 400)
plt.show()
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4 3.1 Quick LASSO for baseline

- Use Lasso regression for quick baseline
- Mean absolute percentage error (MAPE), mean absolute error (MAE), and the Mean absolute Deviation (MAD) are used as evaluation metric.
- R-squared (R2_score), Mean Squared Log Error (MSLE), Mean Squared Error (MSE), and Median Absolute Error are used as additional evaluation metrics.

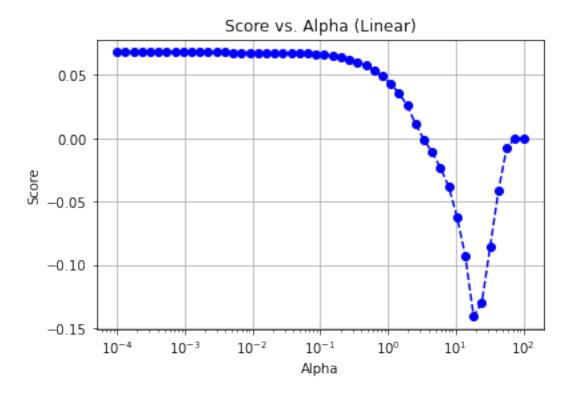
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[39]: import sklearn.metrics
      import sklearn
      get_ipython().magic(u'matplotlib inline')
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
      from sklearn.feature_selection import SelectFromModel
      from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
      from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
      from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression, Lasso
      from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score
      from math import sqrt
      from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine_similarity
      from collections import defaultdict
      from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_error, mean_squared_log_error,_
       \rightarrowmedian_absolute_error
      from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_percentage_error
      from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsRegressor
      from sklearn.svm import SVR
      from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
      from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
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[40]: # Lasso model select the optimized hyperparameters

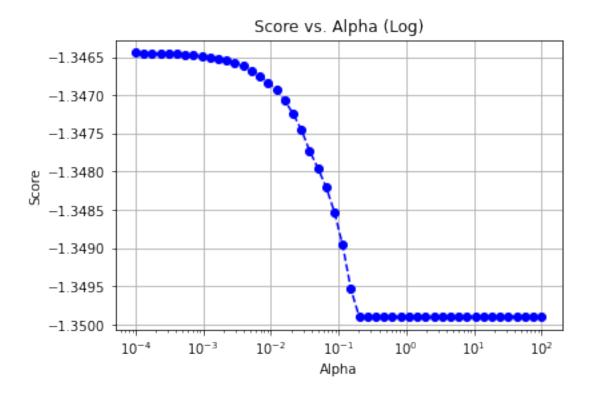
def lasso_best(scaled_train_X, scaled_train_y, title):
    alphas = np.logspace(-4,2,num=50)
    #Return numbers spaced evenly on a log scale.
    scores = np.empty_like(alphas)
    opt_a = float('-inf')
    max_score = float('-inf')
    for i, a in enumerate(alphas):
        lasso = Lasso(max_iter = 100000, tol = 0.01)
        lasso.set_params(alpha = a)
        lasso.fit(scaled_train_X, scaled_train_y)
        scores[i] = lasso.score(scaled_test_X, scaled_test_y) # get scores for_
    →test dataset
        # lasso.score() Return the coefficient of determination R 2 of the_
    →prediction.
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# The best possible score is 1.0 and it can be negative (because the \Box
→model can be arbitrarily worse).
       # A constant model that always predicts the expected value of y, \square
\hookrightarrow disregarding the input features, would get a R^2 score of 0.0.
       if scores[i] > max_score: # lasso.score is r2
           max_score = scores[i]
           opt_a = a
           lasso_save = lasso
   plt.plot(alphas, scores, color='b', linestyle='dashed', __
→marker='o',markerfacecolor='blue', markersize=6)
   plt.xlabel('Alpha')
   plt.ylabel('Score')
   plt.xscale('log')
   plt.grid(True)
   plt.title('Score vs. Alpha ('+ title +')')
   plt.savefig(title +'scorealpha.png', dpi = 400)
   plt.show()
   print ('The optimized alpha and score of Lasso linear is: ', opt_a, __
→max_score)
   print(opt a)
   return opt_a
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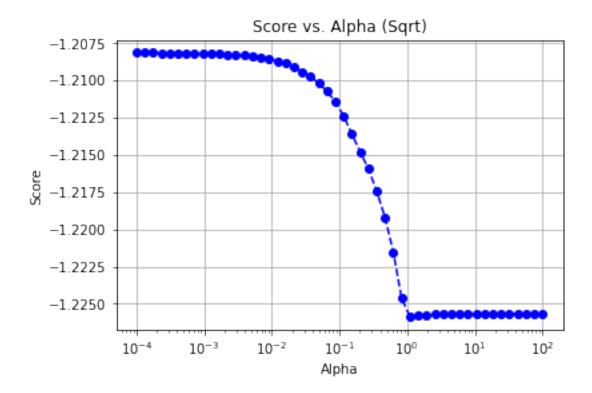
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[41]: opt_a = lasso_best(scaled_train_X, scaled_train_y, 'Linear')
    opt_a_log = lasso_best(scaled_train_X, np.log(scaled_train_y), 'Log')
    opt_a_sqrt = lasso_best(scaled_train_X, np.sqrt(scaled_train_y), 'Sqrt')
```



The optimized alpha and score of Lasso linear is: $0.0001\ 0.0679395479648699\ 0.0001$



The optimized alpha and score of Lasso linear is: 0.0001 - 1.3464462578298924 0.0001



The optimized alpha and score of Lasso linear is: 0.0001 - 1.2081733718961942 0.0001

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[42]: # use optimal alpha, re-train the model
      # Linear
      lasso_f = Lasso(alpha = opt_a, max_iter = 100000)
      lasso_f.fit(scaled_train_X, scaled_train_y)
      lasso_pred = lasso_f.predict(scaled_test_X)
      # Log
      lasso_f_log = Lasso(alpha = opt_a_log, max_iter = 100000)
      lasso_f_log.fit(scaled_train_X, np.log(scaled_train_y))
      lasso_pred_log = lasso_f_log.predict(scaled_test_X)
      # Sart
      lasso_f_sqrt = Lasso(alpha = opt_a_sqrt, max_iter = 100000)
      lasso_f_sqrt.fit(scaled_train_X, np.sqrt(scaled_train_y))
      lasso_pred_sqrt = lasso_f_sqrt.predict(scaled_test_X)
[43]: import yellowbrick
      from yellowbrick.regressor import PredictionError
[44]: # define MAD_ratio, and evalution result
      def mean_absolute_devation(arr):
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Calculate the sum of absolute deviation about mean.

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absSum = 0
   for i in range(0, len(arr)):
        absSum = absSum + abs(arr[i] - np.mean(arr))
   return absSum / len(arr)
def mean_absolute_deviation_ratio(y_true, y_pred):
   return mean_absolute_devation(y_pred)/(mean_absolute_devation(y_true)+0.1)
def evaluate(test price, prediction):
   MAPE = mean_absolute_percentage_error(test_price,prediction)
   print('MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is {}'.format(MAPE))
   MAE = mean_absolute_error(test_price, prediction)
   print('MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is {}'.format(MAE))
   MAD_ratio = mean_absolute_deviation_ratio(test_price, prediction)
   print('MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is {}'.
→format(MAD_ratio))
   r2 = r2 score(test price, prediction)
   print('R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is {}'.format(r2))
   MSLE = mean_squared_log_error(test_price, prediction)
   print('MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is {}'.format(MSLE))
   Median = median absolute error(test price, prediction)
   print('Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is {}'.format(Median))
   MSError = mean_squared_error(test_price, prediction)
   print('MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is {}'.format(MSError))
   return([MAPE, MAE, MAD_ratio, r2, MSLE, Median, MSError])
def plot_diff(test_price, prediction, title1, title2): # plot the pred vs.__
\rightarrow actual
   plt.plot(prediction, 'o', color='red', alpha=0.3, label = 'predicted price')
   plt.plot(test_price,'*', color='blue', alpha=0.5, label = 'actual price')
   plt.title(title1)
   plt.legend(loc='upper right')
   plt.show()
   plt.plot((prediction - test_price)
            ,'v', color='green')
   plt.title(title2)
   plt.show()
def visualize_diff(test_price, prediction, model_name):
   plt.plot(test_price, color = "red", alpha=0.3, label = 'actual price')
   plt.plot(prediction, color = "green", alpha=0.5, label = 'predicted_price' )
   plt.title("Pred vs. Actual in {}".format(model_name))
   plt.legend(loc="upper right")
   plt.show()
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def visualize_boxplot_diff(test_price, prediction, split_by, cut_offs,__
→model_name, group_name):
    plt.style.use('default')
    if cut offs != None:
        split_by = pd.cut(split_by, bins = cut_offs[0], labels = cut_offs[1])
    residual = test price - prediction
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (10, 5))
    data = pd.DataFrame({'Residuals':residual, group_name:split_by})
    data.boxplot(column = ['Residuals'], by = group_name, ax = ax)
    fig.suptitle('Boxplot of Residuals Grouped by ' + model_name)
    plt.ylabel('Residuals (Actual - Predicted)')
    plt.savefig(model_name + '.png', dpi = 400)
    plt.show()
def visualize regression_diff(test_price, prediction, model_name):
    plt.style.use('default')
    model name = 'Actual vs Residuals for ' + model name
    residual = test_price - prediction
    coef = np.polyfit(test price, residual, 1)
    function = np.poly1d(coef)
    plt.plot(test_price, residual, 'yo', test_price, function(test_price),__
\hookrightarrow '--k')
   plt.title(model_name)
    plt.xlabel('Actual Price')
    plt.ylabel('Residual Price')
    plt.grid()
    plt.ticklabel format(useOffset=False, style='plain')
    plt.savefig(model_name + '_diff.png', dpi = 400)
    plt.show()
def visualize_regression_actual(test_price, prediction, model_name):
    plt.style.use('default')
    model_name = 'Actual vs Prediction for ' + model_name
    coef = np.polyfit(test_price, prediction, 1)
    function = np.poly1d(coef)
    plt.plot(test_price, prediction, 'yo', test_price, function(test_price), u
\hookrightarrow '--k')
    plt.title(model name)
    plt.xlabel('Actual Price')
    plt.ylabel('Prediction Price')
    plt.grid()
    plt.ticklabel_format(useOffset=False, style='plain')
    plt.savefig(model_name + '_actual.png', dpi = 400)
    plt.show()
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[100]: eval_grid = np.array([[0.000]*7 for i in range(17)])
       eval_grid[0,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, np.mean(scaled_test_y).
        →repeat(len(scaled_test_y)))
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.8052693039244664
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 78.55573516343233
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.0
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.0
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.4958395063803054
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 61.89263765207576
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 13940.765345269056
[106]: lasso_pred = np.array([10 if i < 10 else i for i in lasso_pred])
       lasso_pred_log = np.array([2.3 if i < 2.3 else i for i in lasso_pred_log])
       lasso_pred_sqrt = np.array([3.16 if i < 3.16 else i for i in lasso_pred_sqrt])</pre>
       eval_grid[1,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, lasso_pred)
       eval_grid[2,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, np.exp(lasso_pred_log))
       eval_grid[3,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, np.square(lasso_pred_sqrt))
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.6453609994498701
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 72.18386876959124
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.6623722855462792
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.06850741892715428
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.4335030872330056
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 48.203455318522295
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12985.719493595554
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.4512752615258362
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 61.614727652823525
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.5711622987259765
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.11816067755286197
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.291150659374325
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 33.240010638363756
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12293.515066466605
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.5212490047790349
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 64.78850006610216
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.5972912254428446
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.12474971960975267
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.32375384945882557
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 38.83917419156903
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12201.658777301383
[47]: visualize_boxplot_diff(scaled_test_y, lasso_pred, scaled_test_y,
                              [[10, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 1000],
        \rightarrow ['10-50', '50-00', '100-150', '150-200', '200-250', '250-300', '300-350', '350-400', '400-1000']],
                             'Price Category for Lasso Linear Regression (Linear)', u
       →'Price Group')
       visualize_boxplot_diff(scaled_test_y, np.exp(lasso_pred_log), scaled_test_y,
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[[10, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 1000],

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-['10-50','50-00','100-150','150-200','200-250','250-300','300-350','350-400','400-1000']],

Price Category for Lasso Linear Regression (Log)',

L
-'Price Group')

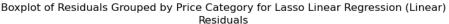
visualize_boxplot_diff(scaled_test_y, np.square(lasso_pred_sqrt), scaled_test_y,

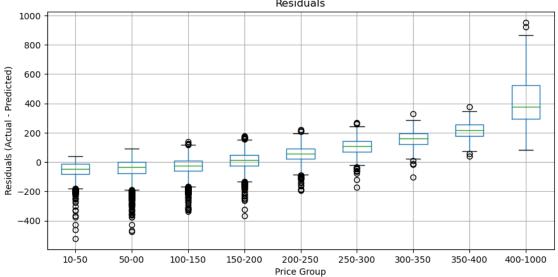
[[10, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 1000],

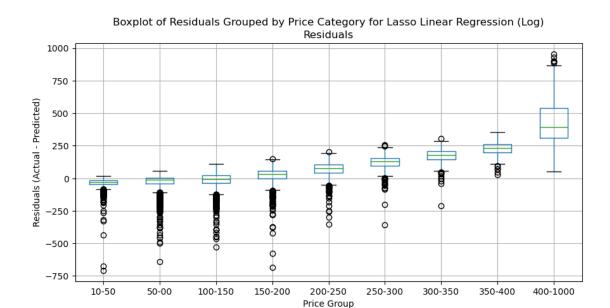
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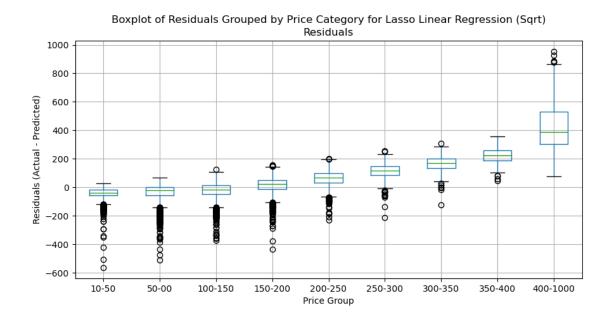
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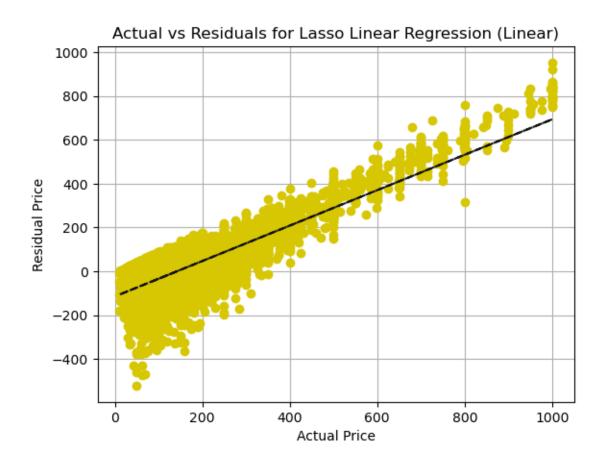
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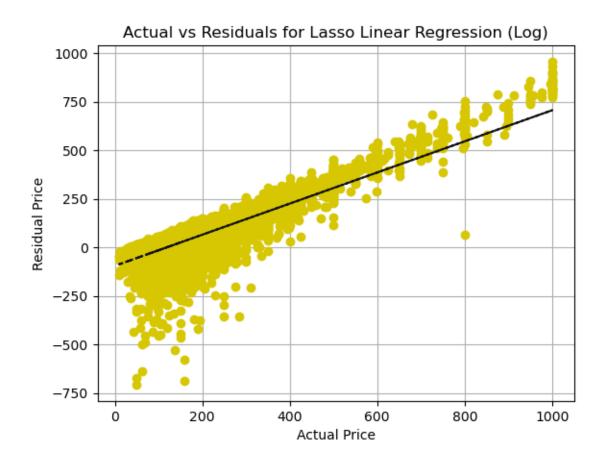


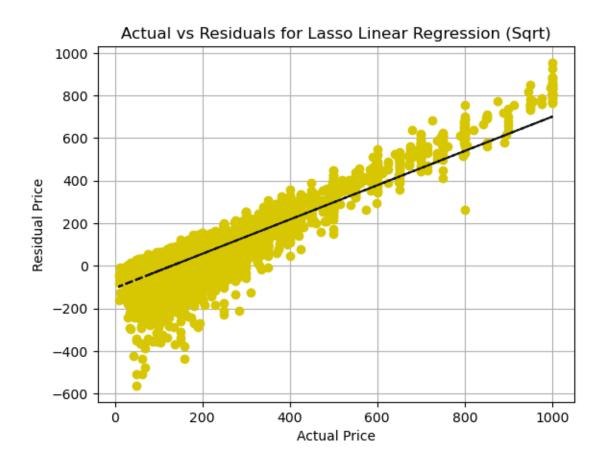


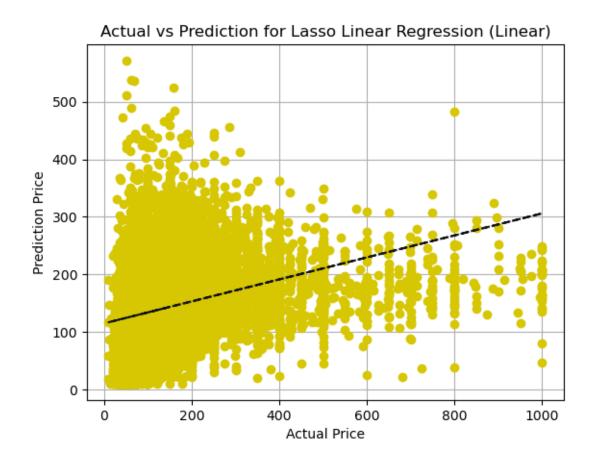


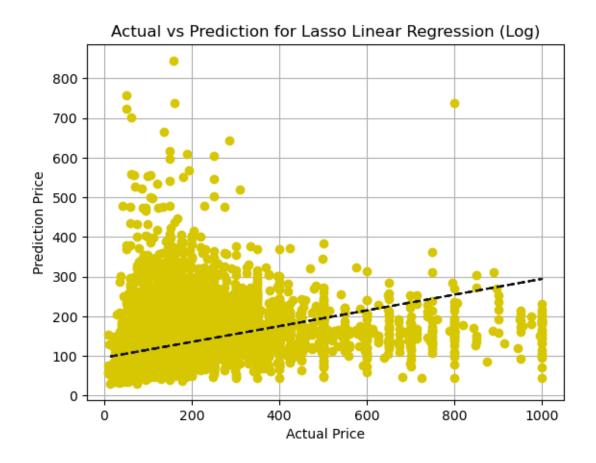


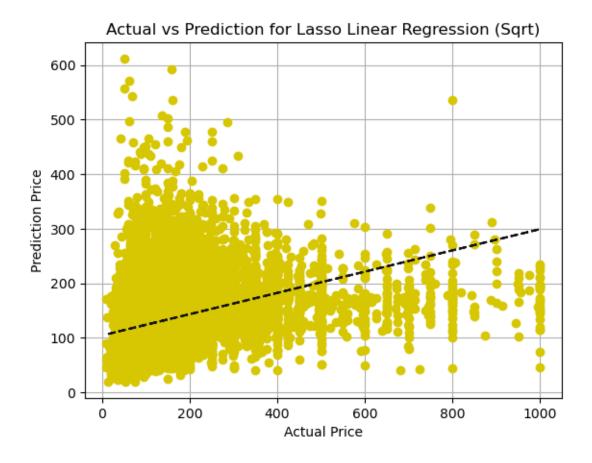








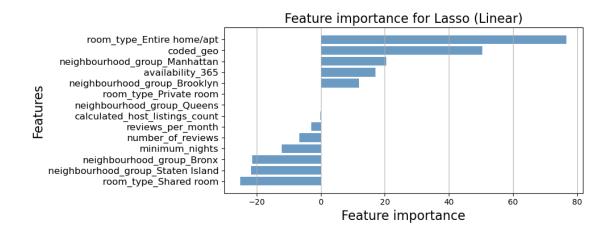


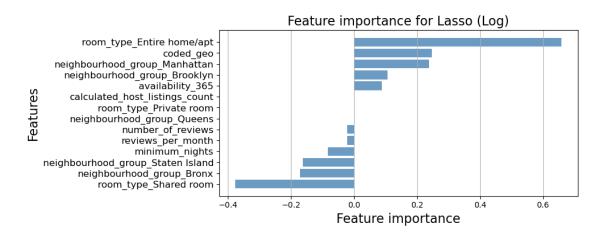


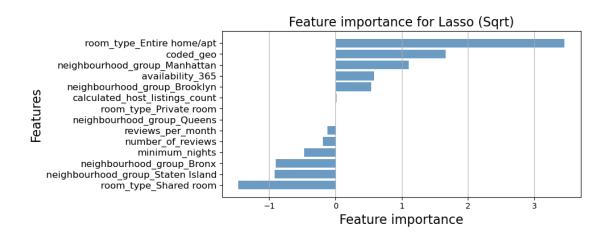
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[253]: # get important features from linear regression
      def get_importance_lasso(lasso_f, scaled_train, name):
          importance_lr_best = lasso_f.coef_
         names_lr_best = scaled_train.loc[:, scaled_train.columns != 'price'].

→columns.tolist()
          df_importantce_lr_best = pd.DataFrame({'Feature':names_lr_best,__
       →'Importance':importance_lr_best})
          # plot feature importance
         rank_importance_lr_best = df_importantce_lr_best.sort_values('Importance',__
       →ascending=True)
         \rightarrow 4, name)
      get_importance_lasso(lasso_f, scaled_train, 'Feature importance for Lasso_

(Linear)¹)
      get_importance_lasso(lasso_f_log, scaled_train, 'Feature importance for Lasso_
       get_importance_lasso(lasso_f_sqrt, scaled_train, 'Feature importance for Lasso_
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5 3.2 OLS

OLS is added to see if LASSO performs better than OLS and the differences between the two results.

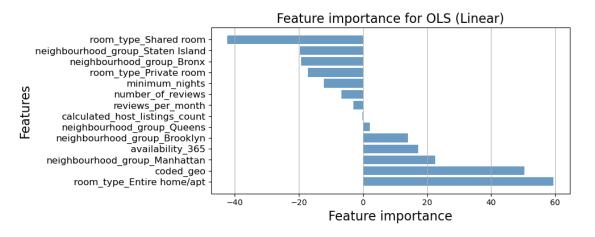
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[51]: # Linear
       linear_f = LinearRegression()
       linear_f.fit(scaled_train_X, scaled_train_y)
       linear_pred = linear_f.predict(scaled_test_X)
       # Log
       linear_f_log = LinearRegression()
       linear_f_log.fit(scaled_train_X, np.log(scaled_train_y))
       linear_pred_log = linear_f_log.predict(scaled_test_X)
       # Sqrt
       linear_f_sqrt = LinearRegression()
       linear_f_sqrt.fit(scaled_train_X, np.sqrt(scaled_train_y))
       linear_pred_sqrt = linear_f_sqrt.predict(scaled_test_X)
[110]: linear_pred = np.array([10 if i < 10 else i for i in linear_pred])
       linear_pred_log = np.array([2.3 if i < 2.3 else i for i in linear_pred_log])
       linear pred sqrt = np.array([3.16 if i < 3.16 else i for i in linear pred sqrt])
       eval_grid[4,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, linear_pred)
       eval grid[5,:] = evaluate(scaled test y, np.exp(linear pred log))
       eval_grid[6,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, np.square(linear_pred_sqrt))
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.645359514985311
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 72.1838146867491
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.6623752131737218
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.06850899287630141
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.4335040663062703
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 48.2039703637282
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12985.697551539828
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.45114942919946266
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 61.604171576499716
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.5716229268154599
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.11846890354233175
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.2910325538866568
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 33.22558898674096
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12289.218160274095
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.5212140468720735
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 64.78644063479211
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.5973652494958726
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.12479859173025876
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.32373703621664557
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 38.843246278618444
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12200.977462537483
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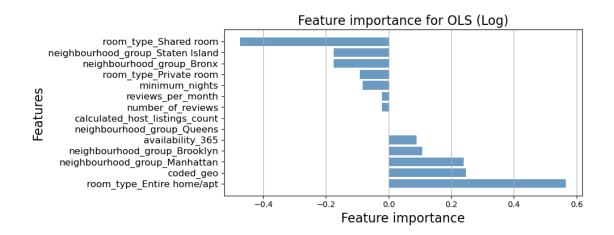
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[209]: get_importance_lasso(linear_f, scaled_train, 'Feature importance for OLS<sub>□</sub>

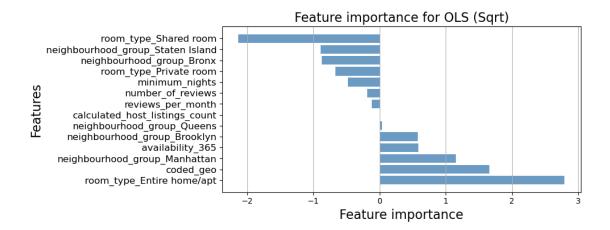
→(Linear)')
get_importance_lasso(linear_f_log, scaled_train, 'Feature importance for OLS<sub>□</sub>

→(Log)')
get_importance_lasso(linear_f_sqrt, scaled_train, 'Feature importance for OLS<sub>□</sub>

→(Sqrt)')
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6 3.3 KNN

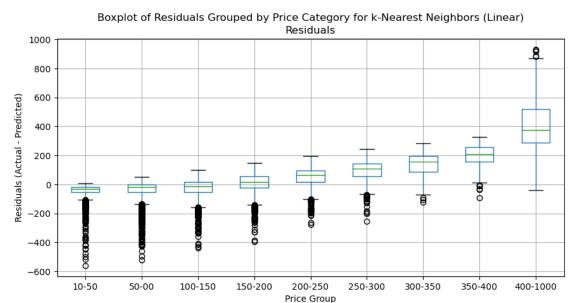
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[53]: # helper function for printing out grid search results
def print_grid_search_metrics(gs):
    print ("Best score: " + str(gs.best_score_))
    print ("Best parameters set:")
    best_parameters = gs.best_params_
    for param_name in sorted(best_parameters.keys()):
        print(param_name + ':' + str(best_parameters[param_name]))
[54]: #parameters = { 'n_neighbors':[10,12,14,16,20,25,30,35,40,45,50,55,60,65,70]}
#25, 40, 25 worked best for Linear, Log, and Sqrt respectively
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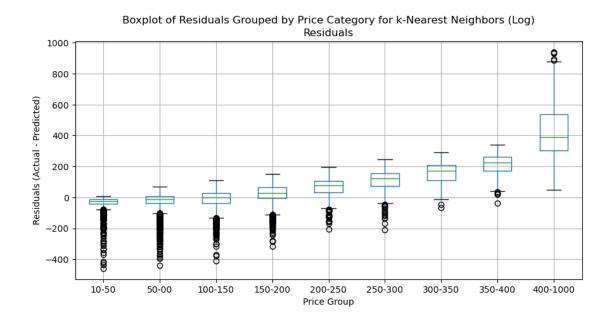
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parameters = { 'n_neighbors':[20,25,30,35,40]
# Linear
Grid_KNN = GridSearchCV(KNeighborsRegressor(),parameters, cv=5)
Grid_KNN.fit(scaled_train_X, scaled_train_y)
print grid search metrics(Grid KNN)
best_KNN_model = Grid_KNN.best_estimator_
# Log
Grid_KNN = GridSearchCV(KNeighborsRegressor(),parameters, cv=5)
Grid_KNN.fit(scaled_train_X, np.log(scaled_train_y))
print_grid_search_metrics(Grid_KNN)
best_KNN_model_log = Grid_KNN.best_estimator_
# Sart
Grid_KNN = GridSearchCV(KNeighborsRegressor(),parameters, cv=5)
Grid_KNN.fit(scaled_train_X, np.sqrt(scaled_train_y))
print_grid_search_metrics(Grid_KNN)
best_KNN_model_sqrt = Grid_KNN.best_estimator_
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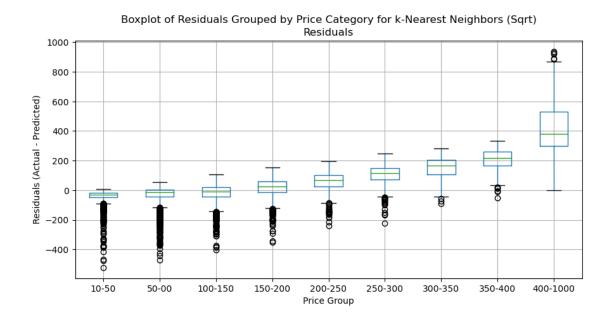
Best score: 0.4800937524298815 Best parameters set:

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Best score: 0.6230012599283101
      Best parameters set:
      n_neighbors:25
      Best score: 0.572176684001171
      Best parameters set:
      n neighbors:40
[55]: knn_pred = best_KNN_model.predict(scaled_test_X)
       knn_pred_log = best_KNN_model_log.predict(scaled_test_X)
       knn pred sqrt = best KNN model sqrt.predict(scaled test X)
[111]: knn_pred = np.array([10 if i < 10 else i for i in knn_pred])
       knn_pred_log = np.array([2.3 if i < 2.3 else i for i in knn_pred_log])
       knn_pred_sqrt = np.array([3.16 if i < 3.16 else i for i in knn_pred_sqrt])
       eval_grid[7,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, knn_pred)
       eval_grid[8,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, np.exp(knn_pred_log))
       eval_grid[9,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, np.square(knn_pred_sqrt))
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.5398022995164553
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 65.41853442869684
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.686827014103283
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.1072570495652001
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.3245455868905331
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 37.275000000000006
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12445.519985654708
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.4492511737495444
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 60.90785508304583
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.6191417148252534
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.14221298975553398
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.29271962664043955
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 31.949410229958836
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 11958.207426038005
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.4885810351903921
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 62.58899157837894
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.6476053263722958
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.13495251592274904
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.3033806561111084
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 34.481318370350735
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12059.423988036324
[57]: visualize_boxplot_diff(scaled_test_y, knn_pred, scaled_test_y,
                              [[10, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 1000],
         \rightarrow ['10-50', '50-00', '100-150', '150-200', '200-250', '250-300', '300-350', '350-400', '400-1000']], 
                             'Price Category for k-Nearest Neighbors (Linear)', 'Price
       →Group')
       visualize_boxplot_diff(scaled_test_y, np.exp(knn_pred_log), scaled_test_y,
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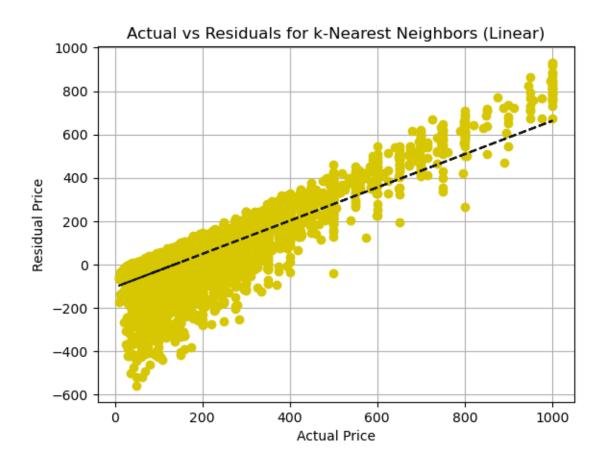
n_neighbors:40

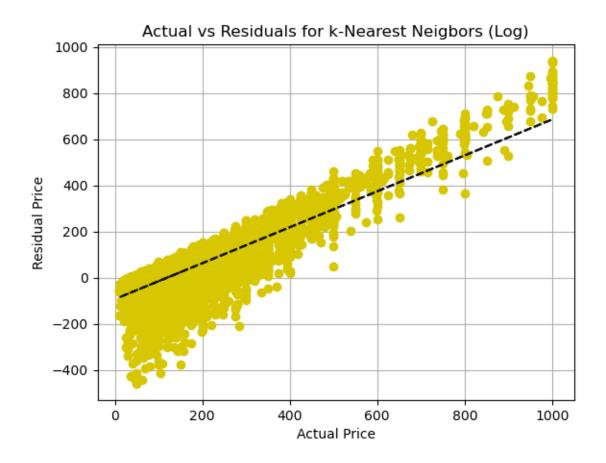


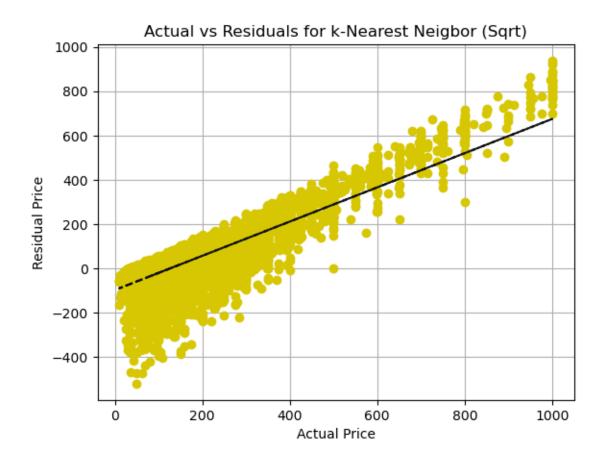




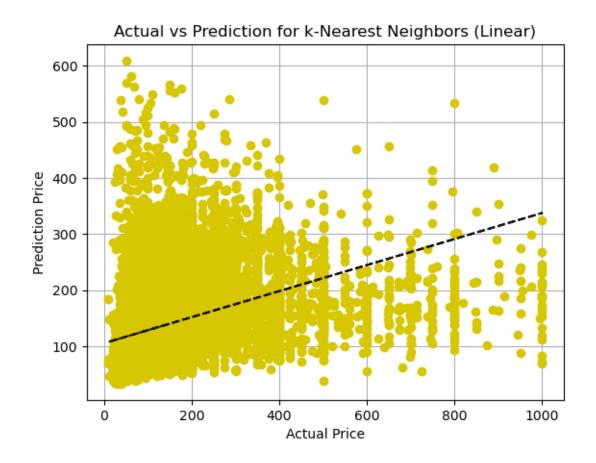
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[58]: visualize_regression_diff(scaled_test_y, knn_pred, 'k-Nearest Neighbors_\( \to (Linear)')\)
visualize_regression_diff(scaled_test_y, np.exp(knn_pred_log), 'k-Nearest_\( \to Neighbors (Log)')\)
visualize_regression_diff(scaled_test_y, np.square(knn_pred_sqrt), 'k-Nearest_\( \to Neighbor (Sqrt)')\)
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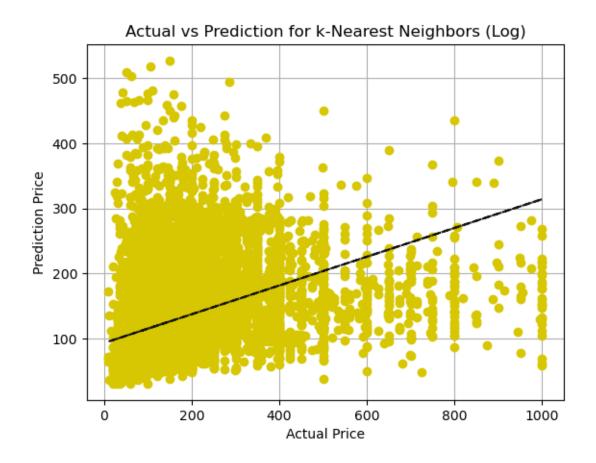


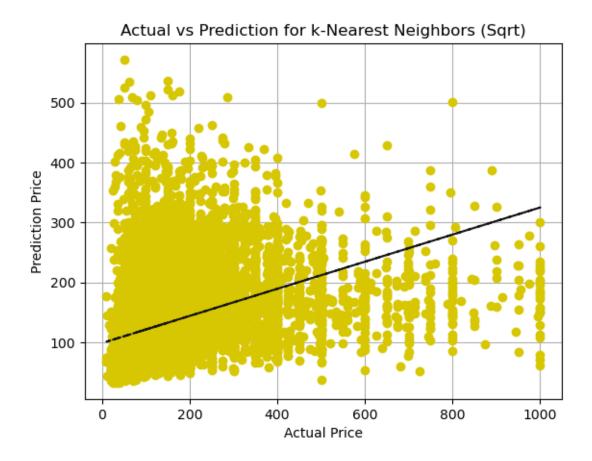




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[59]: visualize_regression_actual(scaled_test_y, knn_pred, 'k-Nearest Neighbors_\( \to \text{(Linear)'}\)
visualize_regression_actual(scaled_test_y, np.exp(knn_pred_log), 'k-Nearest_\( \to \text{Neighbors (Log)'}\)
visualize_regression_actual(scaled_test_y, np.square(knn_pred_sqrt), 'k-Nearest_\( \to \text{Neighbors (Sqrt)'}\)
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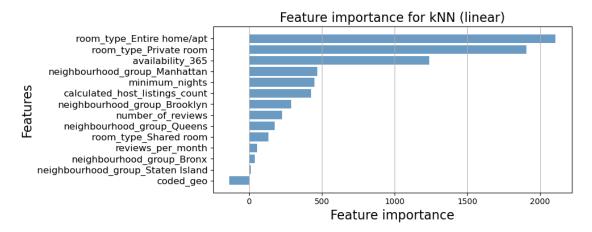


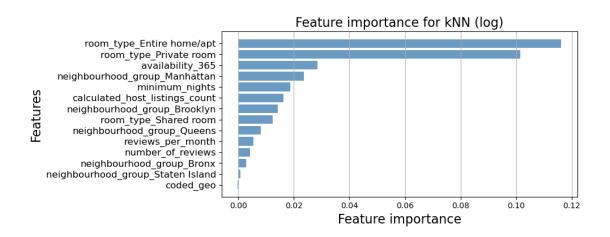
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[258]: # get important features from knn
      from sklearn.inspection import permutation importance
      def get_importance_knn(best_KNN_model, scaled_test_X, scaled_test_y,__

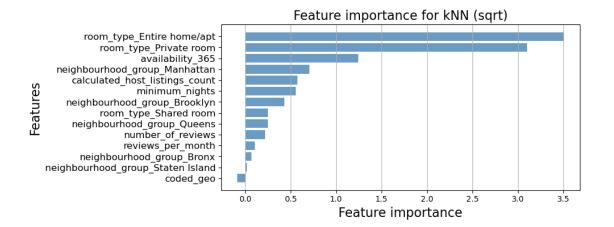
→scaled_train, name):
          knn_results = permutation_importance(best_KNN_model, scaled_test_X,__
       importance knn best = knn results.importances mean
          names_knn_best = scaled_train.loc[:, scaled_train.columns != 'price'].

→columns.tolist()
          df_importantce_knn_best = pd.DataFrame({'Feature':names_knn_best,__
       →'Importance':importance_knn_best})
           # plot feature importance
          rank_importance_knn_best = df_importantce_knn_best.

→sort_values('Importance', ascending=True)
          plot_feature_importance(rank_importance_knn_best, 15, 'steelblue', 0.8, 10, ___
       \rightarrow 4, name)
      get_importance_knn(best_KNN_model, scaled_test_X,scaled_test_y,scaled_train, _
       \hookrightarrow 'Feature importance for kNN (linear)')
```







7 3.4 SVM

[61]: # Linear

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Grid_SVM = SVR(C = 1, kernel = 'linear')
       Grid_SVM.fit(scaled_train_X, scaled_train_y)
       best_SVM_linmodel = Grid_SVM
       # Linear
       Grid_SVM = SVR(C = 1)
       Grid_SVM.fit(scaled_train_X, scaled_train_y)
       best_SVM_model = Grid_SVM
       # Log
       Grid SVM = SVR(C = 1)
       Grid_SVM.fit(scaled_train_X, np.log(scaled_train_y))
       best_SVM_model_log = Grid_SVM
       # Sqrt
       Grid SVM = SVR(C = 1)
       Grid_SVM.fit(scaled_train_X, np.sqrt(scaled_train_y))
       best_SVM_model_sqrt = Grid_SVM
[62]: svm_pred = best_SVM_model.predict(scaled_test_X)
       svm_pred_log = best_SVM_model_log.predict(scaled_test_X)
       svm_pred_sqrt = best_SVM_model_sqrt.predict(scaled_test_X)
       svm_linpred = best_SVM_linmodel.predict(scaled_test_X)
[112]: | svm pred = np.array([10 if i < 10 else i for i in svm pred])</pre>
       svm_pred_log = np.array([2.3 if i < 2.3 else i for i in svm_pred_log])</pre>
       svm pred sqrt = np.array([3.16 if i < 3.16 else i for i in svm pred sqrt])
       svm_linpred = np.array([10 if i < 10 else i for i in svm_linpred])</pre>
       eval_grid[10,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, svm_linpred)
       eval_grid[11,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, svm_pred)
       eval_grid[12,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, np.exp(svm_pred_log))
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MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.5004015892557963
     R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.15811832976047047
     MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.3009834196771076
     Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 35.9423786684047
     MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 11736.474813292465
     MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.44910902977263106
     MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 61.09621948763221
     MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.5135288159355884
     R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.1421325259173969
     MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.30052541209784195
     Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 34.176745292731994
     MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 11959.329153524253
     MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.42664478082601043
     MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 61.105739290747145
     MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.6134475800817827
     R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.12151045758105383
     MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.29634252219529766
     Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 31.310571495317305
     MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12246.816569135315
     MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.43135562996213006
     MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 61.1068583862955
     MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.597254180290408
     R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.1291266677879087
     MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.2967407470923881
     Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 31.919363889275957
     MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12140.640769821308
[65]: visualize_boxplot_diff(scaled_test_y, svm_linpred, scaled_test_y,
                              [[10, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 1000],
       \rightarrow ['10-50','50-00','100-150','150-200','200-250','250-300','300-350','350-400','400-1000']],
                             'Price Category for Support Vector Machine (Linear, Linear ...

→Kernel)', 'Price Group')
      visualize_boxplot_diff(scaled_test_y, svm_pred, scaled_test_y,
                              [[10, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 1000],
       \rightarrow ['10-50','50-00','100-150','150-200','200-250','250-300','300-350','350-400','400-1000']],
                             'Price Category for Support Vector Machine⊔
       →(Linear, Gaussian Kernel)', 'Price Group')
      visualize_boxplot_diff(scaled_test_y, np.exp(svm_pred_log), scaled_test_y,
                              [[10, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 1000],
       \rightarrow ['10-50','50-00','100-150','150-200','200-250','250-300','300-350','350-400','400-1000']],
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eval_grid[13,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, np.square(svm_pred_sqrt))

MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.46584275819364146 MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 60.93175356904288

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'Price Category for Support Vector Machine (Log,Gaussian

→Kernel)', 'Price Group')

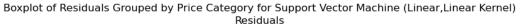
visualize_boxplot_diff(scaled_test_y, np.square(svm_pred_sqrt), scaled_test_y,

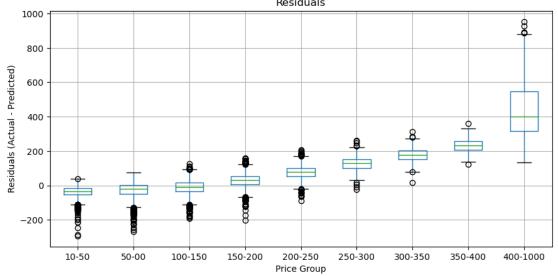
[[10, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 1000],

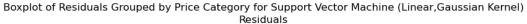
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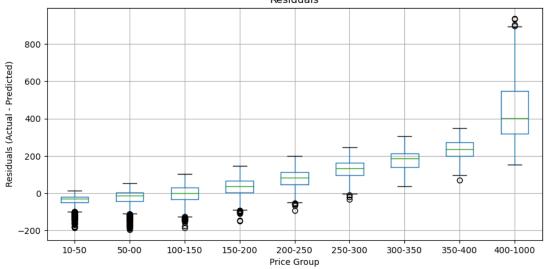
'Price Category for Support Vector Machine (Sqrt,Gaussian

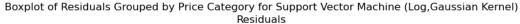
→Kernel)', 'Price Group')
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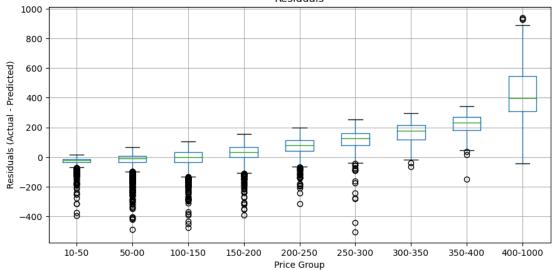


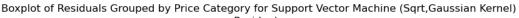


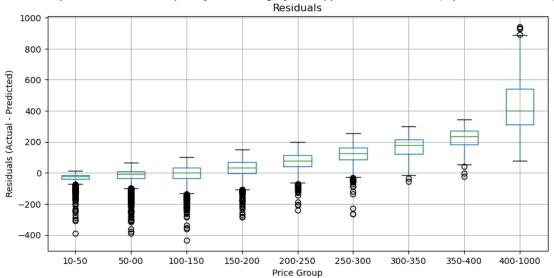


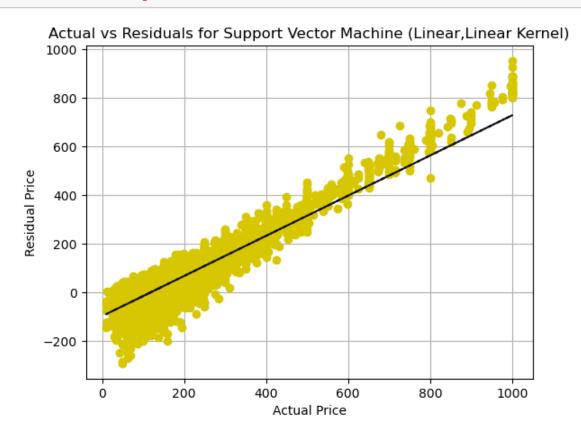


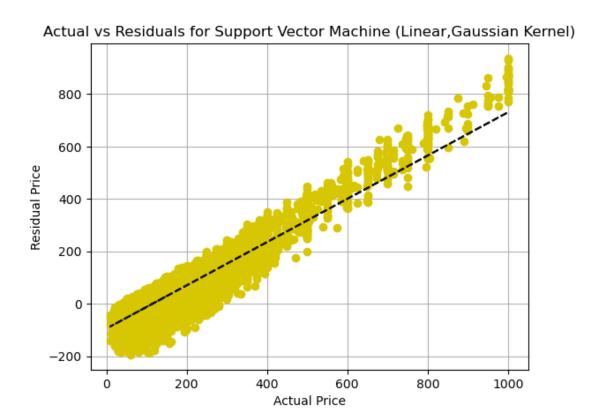


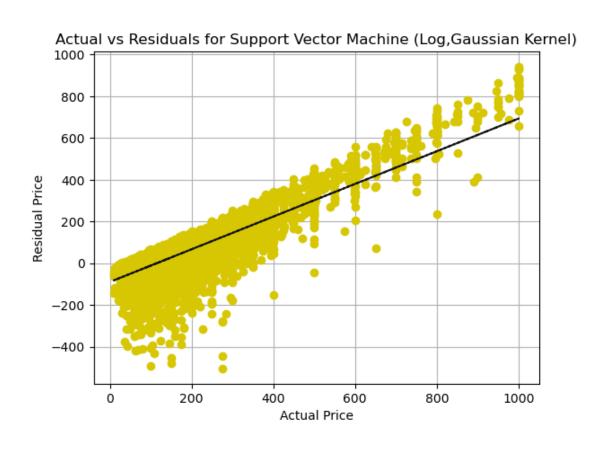


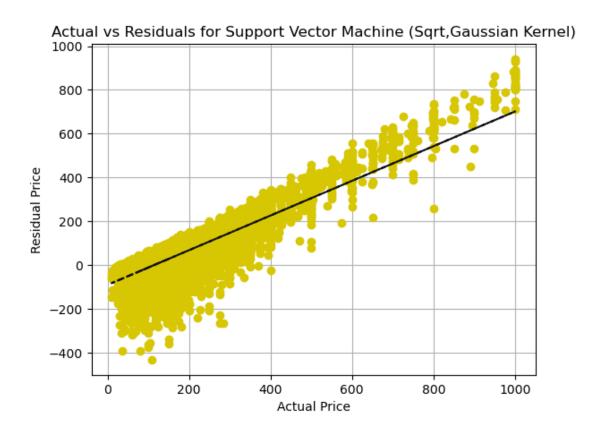










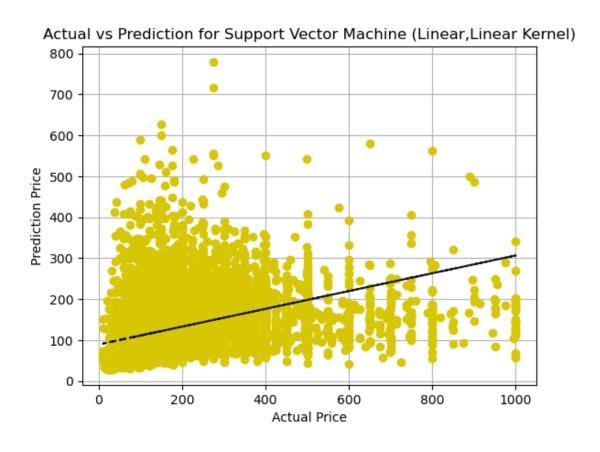


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Visualize_regression_actual(scaled_test_y, np.exp(svm_pred_log), 'Support_\_ 
\( \to Vector Machine (Linear, Linear Kernel)') \)

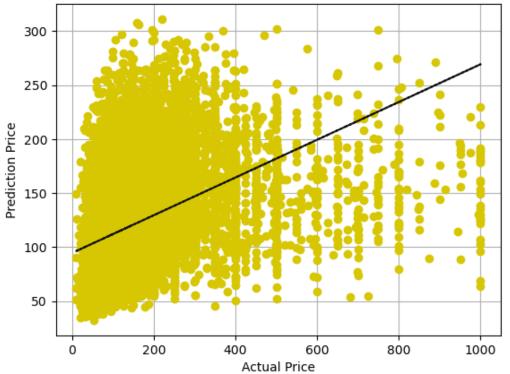
visualize_regression_actual(scaled_test_y, svm_pred, 'Support Vector Machine_\_ 
\( \to (Linear, Gaussian Kernel)') \)

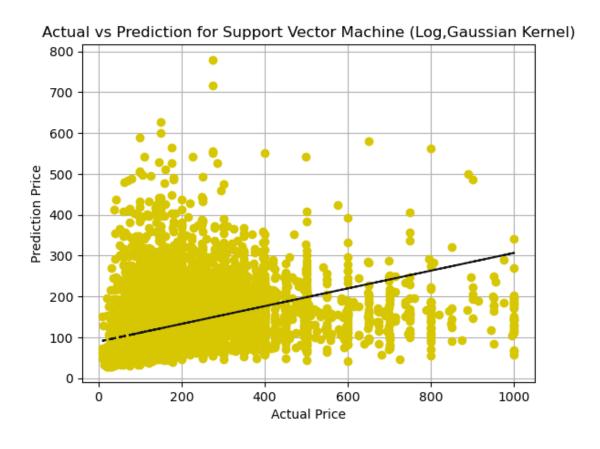
visualize_regression_actual(scaled_test_y, np.exp(svm_pred_log), 'Support_\_ 
\( \to Vector Machine (Log, Gaussian Kernel)') \)

visualize_regression_actual(scaled_test_y, np.square(svm_pred_sqrt), 'Support_\_ 
\( \to Vector Machine (Sqrt, Gaussian Kernel)') \)
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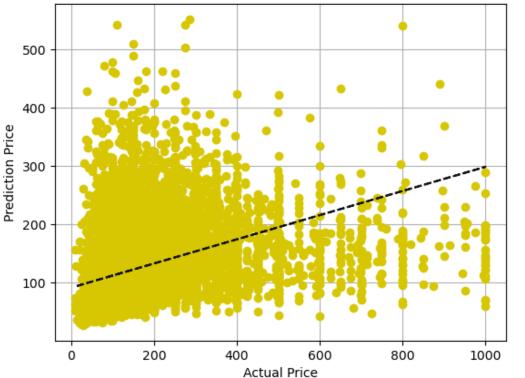


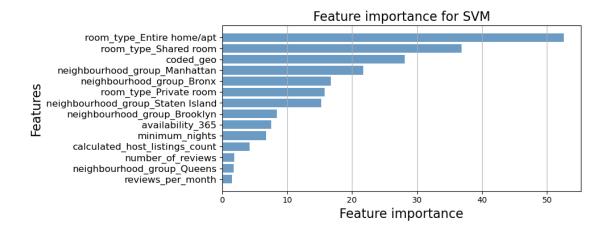












8 3.5 Random Forest Regression

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[137]: | \#param\_grid = \{ 'n\_estimators' : [40,60,80,120,160,200,240,280,320], \}
                 'max_depth': [20,25,30,35,40]}
       # Best was 160, max_depth = 20 for all three
       param grid = {'n estimators': [320],
               'max_depth': [20]}
       Grid RF = GridSearchCV(RandomForestRegressor(random state=42), param grid,
        →refit = True, verbose = 3, cv =5)
       Grid_RF.fit(scaled_train_X, scaled_train_y)
       print_grid_search_metrics(Grid_RF)
       best_RF_model = Grid_RF.best_estimator_
       best_RF_model.fit(scaled_train_X, scaled_train_y)
       Grid_RF = GridSearchCV(RandomForestRegressor(random_state=42), param_grid,_
        →refit = True, verbose = 3, cv =5)
       Grid_RF.fit(scaled_train_X, np.log(scaled_train_y))
       print_grid_search_metrics(Grid_RF)
       best_RF_model_log = Grid_RF.best_estimator_
       best_RF_model_log.fit(scaled_train_X, np.log(scaled_train_y))
       Grid_RF = GridSearchCV(RandomForestRegressor(random_state=42), param_grid,__
        →refit = True, verbose = 3, cv =5)
       Grid RF.fit(scaled train X, np.sqrt(scaled train y))
       print_grid_search_metrics(Grid_RF)
       best_RF_model_sqrt = Grid_RF.best_estimator_
       best_RF_model_sqrt.fit(scaled_train_X, np.sqrt(scaled_train_y))
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Fitting 5 folds for each of 1 candidates, totalling 5 fits [CV 1/5] END ...max_depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.484 total time= 54.3s [CV 2/5] END ...max_depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.461 total time= 50.6s
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[CV 4/5] END ...max_depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.482 total time=
      [CV 5/5] END ...max depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.462 total time=
                                                                               58.5s
      Best score: 0.4717742384497604
      Best parameters set:
      max depth:20
      n estimators:320
      Fitting 5 folds for each of 1 candidates, totalling 5 fits
      [CV 1/5] END ...max_depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.636 total time= 44.8s
      [CV 2/5] END ...max_depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.632 total time=
                                                                               41.1s
      [CV 3/5] END ...max_depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.641 total time= 40.9s
      [CV 4/5] END ...max_depth=20, n estimators=320;, score=0.638 total time= 44.2s
      [CV 5/5] END ...max_depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.623 total time= 41.0s
      Best score: 0.6340046054685585
      Best parameters set:
      max_depth:20
      n_estimators:320
      Fitting 5 folds for each of 1 candidates, totalling 5 fits
      [CV 1/5] END ...max_depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.580 total time= 46.6s
      [CV 2/5] END ...max depth=20, n estimators=320;, score=0.571 total time= 40.4s
      [CV 3/5] END ...max depth=20, n estimators=320;, score=0.580 total time= 40.7s
      [CV 4/5] END ...max depth=20, n estimators=320;, score=0.582 total time= 42.0s
      [CV 5/5] END ...max_depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.566 total time= 41.2s
      Best score: 0.5755521523249326
      Best parameters set:
      max_depth:20
      n_estimators:320
[137]: RandomForestRegressor(max_depth=20, n_estimators=320, random_state=42)
[138]: rf pred = best RF model.predict(scaled test X)
       rf_pred_log = best_RF_model_log.predict(scaled_test_X)
       rf_pred_sqrt = best_RF_model_sqrt.predict(scaled_test_X)
[139]: rf_pred = np.array([10 if i < 10 else i for i in rf_pred])</pre>
       rf_pred_log = np.array([2.3 if i < 2.3 else i for i in rf_pred_log])
       rf_pred_sqrt = np.array([3.16 if i < 3.16 else i for i in rf_pred_sqrt])</pre>
       eval_grid[14,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, rf_pred)
       eval_grid[15,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, np.exp(rf_pred_log))
       eval_grid[16,:] = evaluate(scaled_test_y, np.square(rf_pred_sqrt))
      MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.6126952513423345
      MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 72.47642346385626
      MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.7764723344190206
      R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is -0.013976123211010938
      MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.3913109554664751
      Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 42.46759919787873
      MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 14135.603199390325
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[CV 3/5] END ...max_depth=20, n_estimators=320;, score=0.469 total time= 42.8s

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MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.4890740861858039

MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 65.20054291102285

MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.6628864586252305

R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.08525567523101407

MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.3386786145527546

Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 35.8347316730841

MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 12752.23598252102

MAPE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.545290944432619

MAE of 2019 Airbnb price is 68.46546488739604

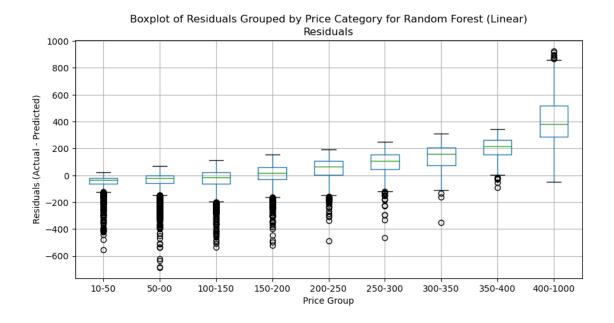
MAD ratio of prediction in 2019 Airbnb price is 0.7171415090096004

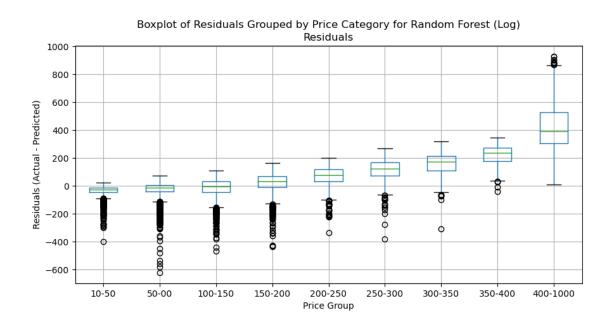
R^2 of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.04711560561877659

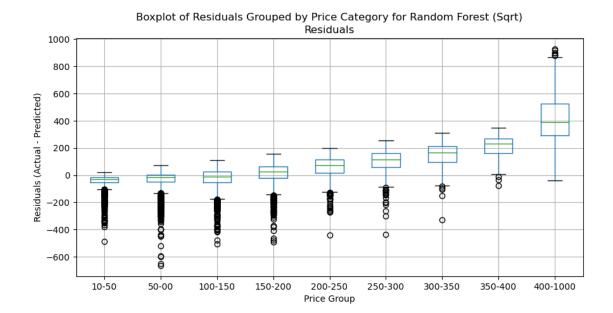
MSLE of 2019 Airbnb price is 0.36045131627475774

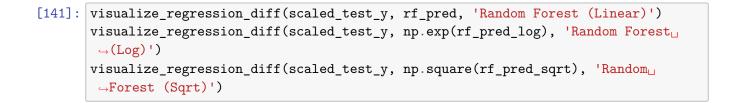
Median Absolute Error of 2019 Airbnb price is 39.00842848152503

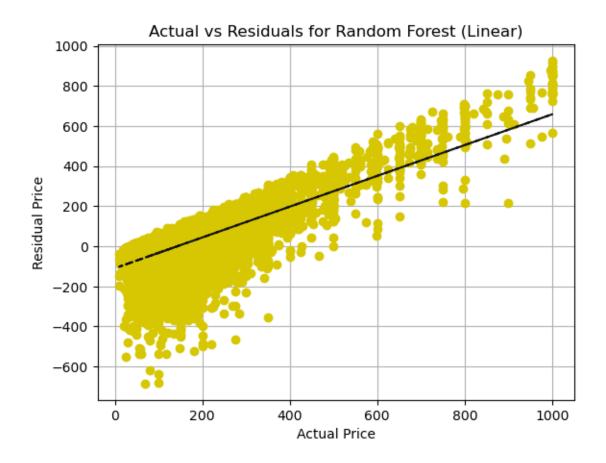
MSE of 2019 Airbnb price is 13283.93774323745
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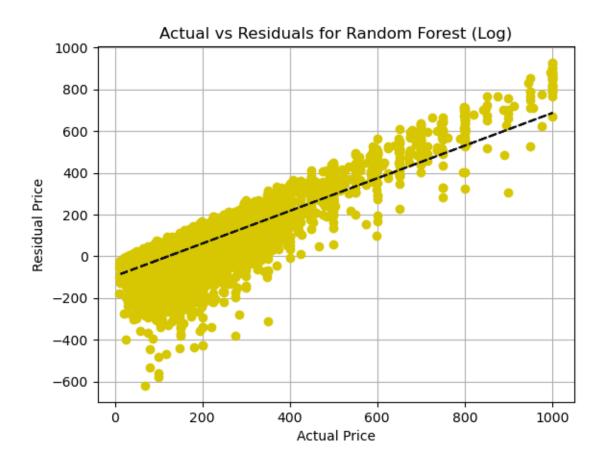


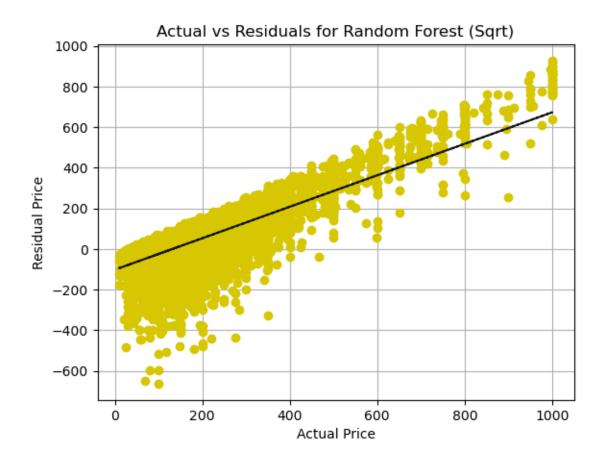


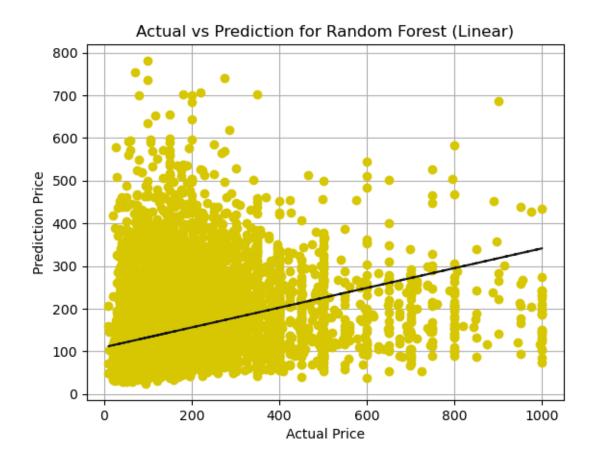


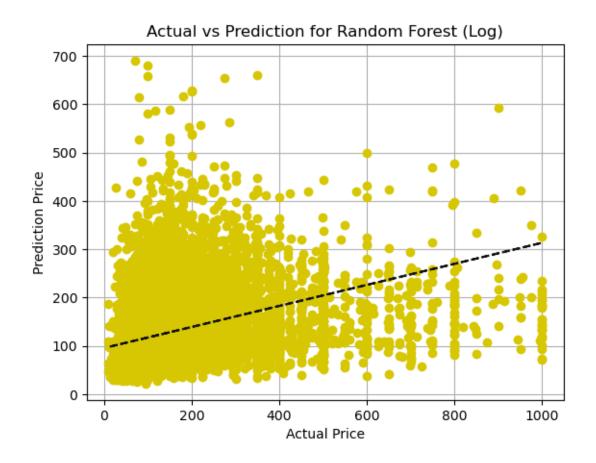


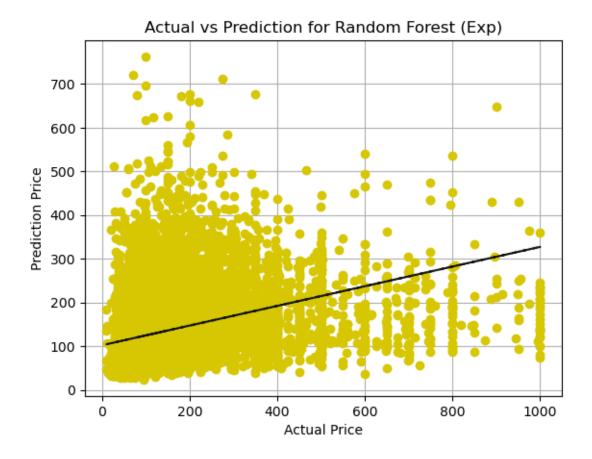




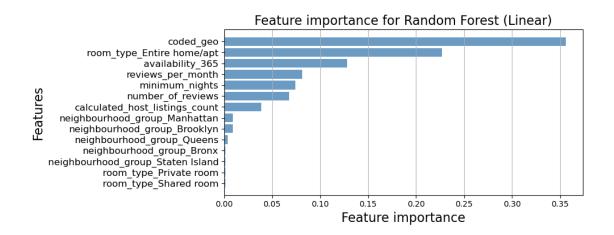


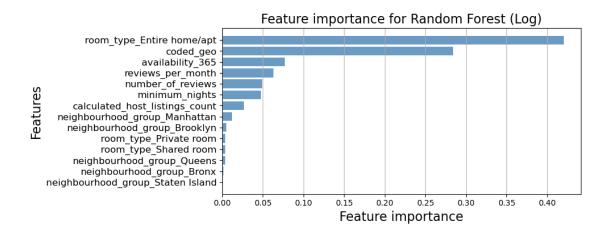


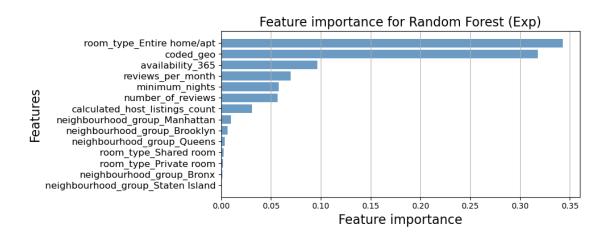




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[255]: def get_importance_rf(best_RF_model, scaled_train, name):
          importance_rf_best = best_RF_model.feature_importances_
         names_rf_best = scaled_train.loc[:, scaled_train.columns != 'price'].
       df_importantce_rf_best = pd.DataFrame({'Feature':names_rf_best,__
       →'Importance':importance_rf_best})
          # plot feature importance
         rank_importance_rf_best = df_importantce_rf_best.sort_values('Importance',__
       →ascending=True)
         \rightarrow 4, name)
      get_importance_rf(best_RF_model, scaled_train, 'Feature importance for Random_
       →Forest (Linear)')
      get_importance_rf(best_RF_model_log, scaled_train, 'Feature importance for_
       →Random Forest (Log)')
      get_importance_rf(best_RF_model_sqrt, scaled_train, 'Feature importance for_
       →Random Forest (Exp)')
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9 4. Saving the Data and Analysis by Group

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[181]: df = pd.DataFrame(eval_grid, columns = ['MAPE', 'MAE', 'MAD_ratio', 'r2_score', __
       →'MSLE', 'Median Absolute Error', 'MSE'],
                         index = ['Null','OLS (Linear)','OLS (Log)','OLS_

→ (Sqrt)', 'LASSO (Linear)', 'LASSO (Log)', 'LASSO (Sqrt)', 'kNN (Linear)', 

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       →'kNN (Log)', 'kNN (Sqrt)', 'SVM (Linear Kernel)', 'SVM (Linear/Gaussian)', □
       →'SVM (Log/Gaussian)', 'SVM (Sqrt/Gaussian)',
               'Random Forest (Linear)', 'Random Forest (Log)', 'Random Forest
       df.to_csv("Metrics.csv", sep = ",")
[177]: all_data = pd.DataFrame({'Actual':scaled_test_y,
                     'Null':np.mean(scaled_test_y).repeat(len(scaled_test_y)),
                     'OLS(Linear)':linear pred,
                     'OLS(Log)':np.exp(linear_pred_log),
                     'OLS(Sqrt)':np.square(linear_pred_sqrt),
                     'LASSO(Linear)':lasso_pred,
                     'LASSO(Log)':np.exp(lasso_pred_log),
                     'LASSO(Sqrt)':np.square(lasso_pred_sqrt),
                     'kNN(Linear)':knn pred,
                     'kNN(Log)':np.exp(knn_pred_log),
                     'kNN(Sqrt)':np.square(knn_pred_sqrt),
                     'SVM(Linear Kernel)':svm_linpred,
                     'SVM(Linear/Gaussian)':svm_pred,
                     'SVM(Log/Gaussian)':np.exp(svm_pred_log),
                     'SVM(Sqrt/Gaussian)':np.square(svm_pred_sqrt),
                     'RandomForest(Linear)':rf_pred,
                     'RandomForest(Log)':np.exp(rf_pred_log),
                     'RandomForest(Sqrt)':np.square(rf_pred_sqrt)})
       all_data.to_csv("TestModelData.csv", sep = ',')
[178]: columns = list(all data)
       absolute_error_data = pd.DataFrame({'Actual':all_data['Actual'],
                                       'Null':abs(all_data['Actual']) - all_data['']
                                      'OLS(Log)':abs(all_data['Actual'] -__
       →all_data['OLS(Log)']),
                                      'LASSO(Log)':abs(all_data['Actual'] -__
       →all_data['LASSO(Log)']),
                                     'kNN(Log)':abs(all_data['Actual'] -_
       →all_data['kNN(Log)']),
                                    'SVM(Linear Kernel)':abs(all_data['Actual'] -__
       →all_data['SVM(Linear Kernel)']),
                                     'RandomForest(Log)':abs(all_data['Actual'] -__
       →all_data['RandomForest(Log)'])})
       for i in range()
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absolute_error_data.to_csv("AbsoluteErrorTestModelDataTopFive.csv", sep = ",")
      df_test_keep.to_csv("TestData.csv", sep = ",")
[284]: absolute_error_data = all_data.copy()
      for column in all_data:
           absolute_error_data[column] = abs(all_data['Actual'] - all_data[column])
      absolute_error_data = absolute_error_data.drop(columns = ['Actual'])
      absolute_error_data['Quantile'] = pd.qcut(all_data['Actual'], 12)
[285]: absolute_error_data['Quantile'] = pd.qcut(all_data['Actual'], 12)
      frame = absolute_error_data.groupby(["Quantile"]).median().T
      error_by_decile = frame.style.format('{:.2f}').background_gradient()
      error_by_decile
[285]: <pandas.io.formats.style.Styler at 0x17650c29040>
[292]: neigh = df_test_keep.iloc[:,5:10]
      neigh.columns = ['Bronx', 'Brooklyn', 'Manhattan', 'Queens', 'Staten Island']
      absolute_error_data['Neighborhood'] = pd.Series(neigh.columns[np.where(neigh !=_
       \rightarrow 0)[1]])
      frame = absolute_error_data.groupby(["Neighborhood"]).median().T
      error_by_neighborhood = frame.style.format('{:.2f}').background_gradient()
      error_by_neighborhood
[292]: <pandas.io.formats.style.Styler at 0x17650a5fb80>
[297]: neigh = df_test_keep.iloc[:,10:13]
      neigh.columns = ['Entire home/apt', 'Private room', 'Shared room']
      absolute_error_data['RoomType'] = pd.Series(neigh.columns[np.where(neigh !=_u
       \rightarrow 0)[1]])
      frame = absolute_error_data.groupby(["RoomType"]).median().T
      error_by_roomtype = frame.style.format('{:.2f}').background_gradient()
      error_by_roomtype
[297]: <pandas.io.formats.style.Styler at 0x1764fd20f40>
[303]: absolute error data['Quartile'] = pd.qcut(all data['Actual'], 4)
      frame = absolute_error_data.groupby(["RoomType","Quartile"]).median().T
      error_by_review = frame.style.format('{:.2f}').background_gradient()
      error_by_review
[303]: <pandas.io.formats.style.Styler at 0x17650c2a610>
[304]: format_mapping = {'MAPE': '{:.3f}', 'MAE': '{:.2f}', 'MAD_ratio':'{:.3f}',
       'Median Absolute Error':'{:.2f}', 'MSE':'{:.0f}'}
      df_styled = df.copy()
      df_styled2 = df_styled.style.format(format_mapping).background_gradient()
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df_styled2

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