Airbnb Price Prediction and Insights

Part A

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#1. Data Exploration and Preprocessing
## Load the Data
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import pandas as pd
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# Load the dataset
df = pd.read_csv('Airbnb_data..csv')  # Adjust path if needed
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# Initial Exploration
df.head()
df.info()
df.describe()
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 74111 entries, 0 to 74110
Data columns (total 29 columns):
 #   Column                  Non-Null Count  Dtype
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 0   id                      74111 non-null  int64
 1   log_price               74111 non-null  float64
 2   property_type           74111 non-null  object
 3   room_type               74111 non-null  object
 4   amenities               74111 non-null  object
 5   accommodates            74111 non-null  int64
 6   bathrooms               73911 non-null  float64
 7   bed_type                74111 non-null  object
 8   cancellation_policy     74111 non-null  object
 9   cleaning_fee            74111 non-null  bool
 10  city                    74111 non-null  object
 11  description             74111 non-null  object
 12  first_review            58247 non-null  object
 13  host_has_profile_pic    73923 non-null  object
 14  host_identity_verified  73923 non-null  object
 15  host_response_rate      55812 non-null  object
 16  host_since              73923 non-null  object
 17  instant_bookable        74111 non-null  object
 18  last_review             58284 non-null  object
 19  latitude                74111 non-null  float64
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 20  longitude               74111 non-null  float64
 21  name                    74111 non-null  object
 22  neighbourhood           67239 non-null  object
 23  number_of_reviews       74111 non-null  int64
 24  review_scores_rating    57389 non-null  float64
 25  thumbnail_url           65895 non-null  object
 26  zipcode                 73143 non-null  object
 27  bedrooms                74020 non-null  float64
 28  beds                    73980 non-null  float64
dtypes: bool(1), float64(7), int64(3), object(18)
memory usage: 15.9+ MB
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	id	log_price	accommodates	bathrooms	latitude
count	7.411100e+04	74111.000000	74111.000000	73911.000000	74111.000000
mean	1.126662e+07	4.782069	3.155146	1.235263	38.445958
std	6.081735e+06	0.717394	2.153589	0.582044	3.080167
min	3.440000e+02	0.000000	1.000000	0.000000	33.338905
25%	6.261964e+06	4.317488	2.000000	1.000000	34.127908
50%	1.225415e+07	4.709530	2.000000	1.000000	40.662138
75%	1.640226e+07	5.220356	4.000000	1.000000	40.746096
max	2.123090e+07	7.600402	16.000000	8.000000	42.390437

	longitude	number_of_reviews	review_scores_rating	bedrooms
count	74111.000000	74111.000000	57389.000000	74020.000000
mean	-92.397525	20.900568	94.067365	1.265793
std	21.705322	37.828641	7.836556	0.852143
min	-122.511500	0.000000	20.000000	0.000000
25%	-118.342374	1.000000	92.000000	1.000000
50%	-76.996965	6.000000	96.000000	1.000000
75%	-73.954660	23.000000	100.000000	1.000000
max	-70.985047	605.000000	100.000000	10.000000

	beds
count	73980.000000
mean	1.710868
std	1.254142
min	0.000000
25%	1.000000
50%	1.000000
75%	2.000000
max	18.000000

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#  Data Cleaning
## Check for missing values
df.isnull().sum()
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id                          0
log_price                   0
property_type               0
room_type                   0
amenities                   0
accommodates                0
bathrooms                 200
bed_type                    0
cancellation_policy         0
cleaning_fee                0
city                        0
description                 0
first_review            15864
host_has_profile_pic      188
host_identity_verified    188
host_response_rate      18299
host_since                188
instant_bookable            0
last_review             15827
latitude                    0
longitude                   0
name                        0
neighbourhood            6872
number_of_reviews           0
review_scores_rating    16722
thumbnail_url            8216
zipcode                   968
bedrooms                   91
beds                      131
dtype: int64
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# Handle missing values (replace inplace=True with reassignment)

df['bathrooms'] = df['bathrooms'].fillna(df['bathrooms'].median())
print("Missing 'bathrooms' filled with median:", df['bathrooms'].median())

df['bedrooms'] = df['bedrooms'].fillna(df['bedrooms'].median())
print("Missing 'bedrooms' filled with median:", df['bedrooms'].median())

df['beds'] = df['beds'].fillna(df['beds'].median())
print("Missing 'beds' filled with median:", df['beds'].median())

df['review_scores_rating'] = df['review_scores_rating'].
 ↪fillna(df['review_scores_rating'].median())
print("Missing 'review_scores_rating' filled with median:",␣
 ↪df['review_scores_rating'].median())
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df['host_response_rate'] = df['host_response_rate'].fillna("0%")
print("Missing 'host_response_rate' filled with default value '0%'")
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Missing 'bathrooms' filled with median: 1.0
Missing 'bedrooms' filled with median: 1.0
Missing 'beds' filled with median: 1.0
Missing 'review_scores_rating' filled with median: 96.0
Missing 'host_response_rate' filled with default value '0%'
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# Fill missing values first (if not already done)
df['host_response_rate'] = df['host_response_rate'].fillna('0%')

# Convert to string, remove '%', convert to float, divide by 100
df['host_response_rate'] = df['host_response_rate'].astype(str).str.rstrip('%').
 ↪astype(float) / 100.0

print("Converted 'host_response_rate' to numeric format (0.0 to 1.0 range).")
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Converted 'host_response_rate' to numeric format (0.0 to 1.0 range).
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# Extract number of amenities by counting items in the string
df['num_amenities'] = df['amenities'].apply(lambda x: len(x.split(',')) if pd.
 ↪notnull(x) else 0)
print("Created new feature 'num_amenities' by counting amenities per listing.")
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Created new feature 'num_amenities' by counting amenities per listing.
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# Drop only the columns that exist in the DataFrame
columns_to_drop = ['id', 'name', 'description', 'thumbnail_url']
existing_columns_to_drop = [col for col in columns_to_drop if col in df.columns]

df = df.drop(columns=existing_columns_to_drop)
print(f"Dropped columns: {existing_columns_to_drop}")
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Dropped columns: ['id', 'name', 'description', 'thumbnail_url']
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# Define the boolean columns
bool_cols = ['cleaning_fee', 'host_has_profile_pic', 'host_identity_verified',␣
 ↪'instant_bookable']

# Map 't' to 1 and 'f' to 0
for col in bool_cols:
    df[col] = df[col].map({'t': 1, 'f': 0, True: 1, False: 0})
    print(f"Converted column '{col}' to integers (1 for True/'t', 0 for False/
 ↪'f').")
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Converted column 'cleaning_fee' to integers (1 for True/'t', 0 for False/'f').
Converted column 'host_has_profile_pic' to integers (1 for True/'t', 0 for
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False/'f').
Converted column 'host_identity_verified' to integers (1 for True/'t', 0 for
False/'f').
Converted column 'instant_bookable' to integers (1 for True/'t', 0 for
False/'f').
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#  2.Model Development
## Split the Data
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from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from xgboost import XGBRegressor
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# Step 1: Drop non-numeric or irrelevant object columns
columns_to_drop = ['amenities', 'first_review', 'last_review', 'host_since',␣
 ↪'zipcode']
X = df.drop(columns=['log_price'] + columns_to_drop)

# Step 2: One-hot encode categorical columns
X = pd.get_dummies(X, drop_first=True)
print("Applied one-hot encoding to categorical features.")

# Step 3: Target variable
y = df['log_price']

# Step 4: Split data
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2,␣
 ↪random_state=42)
print(f"Split complete: {X_train.shape[0]} training rows, {X_test.shape[0]}␣
 ↪testing rows.")

# Step 5: Train the model
from xgboost import XGBRegressor
model = XGBRegressor()
model.fit(X_train, y_train)
print("Model training complete.")
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Applied one-hot encoding to categorical features.
Split complete: 59288 training rows, 14823 testing rows.
Model training complete.
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#3.Model Evaluation (10 Marks)
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, mean_absolute_error, r2_score
import numpy as np
y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
rmse = np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred))
mae = mean_absolute_error(y_test, y_pred)
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r2 = r2_score(y_test, y_pred)
print(f'RMSE: {rmse:.2f}')
print(f'MAE: {mae:.2f}')
print(f'R²: {r2:.2f}')
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RMSE: 0.39
MAE: 0.28
R²: 0.71
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# 4.Insights and Visualization
## Feature Importance
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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
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feature_importances = pd.Series(model.feature_importances_, index=X.columns)
top_features = feature_importances.sort_values(ascending=False)[:10]

plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
sns.barplot(x=top_features.values, y=top_features.index)
plt.title("Top 10 Important Features for Price Prediction")
plt.show()
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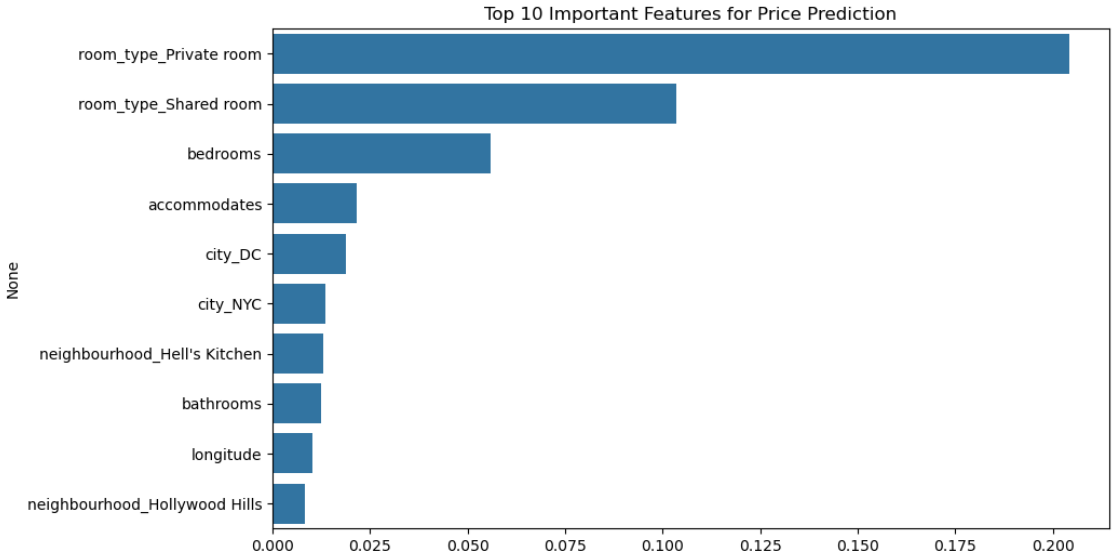

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