DESIGN ANANALYSIS APPROACH FOR HOTEL BOOKING CANCELLECATION PREDICTION

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C412.2	Engage in the creative design process through the integration and application of diverse technical knowledge and expertise to meet customer needs and address social issues.	K4, K5
C412.3	Use the various tools and techniques, coding practices for developing real life solution to the problem.	K5, K6
C412.4	Find out the errors in software solutions and establishing the process to design maintainable software applications.	K4, K5
C412.5	Write the report about what they are doing in project and learning the team working skills.	K5, K6

CO-PO-PSO Mapping:

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C412.1	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
C412.2	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
C412.3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
C412.4	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
C412.5	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

- a. ML: Machine Learningb. AI: Artificial Intelligence
- c. DL: Deep Learning
- d. ANN: Artificial Neural Network
- e. CNN: Convolutional Neural Network
- f. RNN: Recurrent Neural Network
- g. RF: Random Forest
- h. KNN: K-Nearest Neighbors
- i. TP: True Positive
- j. FP: False Positive
- k. TN: True Negative
- 1. FN: False Negative

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ABSTRACT

Hotel managers find it beneficial to predict hotel booking cancellations as it enables them to enhance room inventory management, pricing strategies, and customer satisfaction by proactively addressing potential problems. In this study, we present a machine learning-centered method for forecasting hotel booking cancellations.

Initially, we will gather and preprocess the necessary data for the analysis. This process entails acquiring a dataset containing information about previous hotel bookings, encompassing customer details, booking specifics, and cancellation status. Subsequently, the data will undergo cleaning and preparation for modeling, involving tasks such as handling missing values, transforming categorical variables into numerical representation, and scaling numerical variables.

Following that, we will proceed with the selection and implementation of suitable machine learning algorithms to construct predictive models. We will assess and compare the performance of various algorithms, such as logistic regression, decision trees, and random forests, utilizing a range of evaluation metrics like accuracy, precision, and recall. Additionally, we will explore the potential benefits of ensemble methods, which combine predictions from multiple models to enhance overall performance.

Once we identify the most effective model, we will evaluate its performance on a separate test set to determine its ability to generalize to new data. Furthermore, we will conduct a feature importance analysis to identify the key factors influencing hotel booking cancellations.

In addition to developing predictive models, we will conduct a comprehensive analysis of the factors contributing to hotel booking cancellations. This analysis will involve examining the relationships between various features such as booking lead time, length of stay, and customer demographics, and their impact on the likelihood of cancellation. These insights will assist in devising strategies to mitigate cancellation rates, such as targeted marketing campaigns or incentives for early bookings.

Overall, our proposed approach will equip hotel managers with a robust tool for predicting hotel booking cancellations and a deeper understanding of the factors influencing them. This, in turn, will enable data-driven decision-making to optimize room inventory, pricing strategies, enhance customer satisfaction, and ultimately boost revenue.

Chapter-1

INTRODUCTION

The hotel industry thrives on effective management of bookings and occupancy rates. Hotel managers face the challenge of optimizing room inventory and pricing while ensuring customer satisfaction. One critical aspect of this challenge is predicting hotel booking cancellations. Anticipating cancellations can enable hotel managers to proactively address potential issues, adjust pricing strategies, and make better decisions regarding room availability. In recent years, advancements in machine learning and data analytics have opened up new opportunities to develop accurate prediction models for hotel booking cancellations.

This project aims to propose and implement a Hotel Booking Cancellation Prediction Model using machine learning techniques. The primary goal is to assist hotel managers in optimizing their operations by accurately forecasting booking cancellations. By doing so, they can effectively manage room inventory, minimize revenue losses, and enhance customer satisfaction.

The proposed model will leverage historical data on hotel bookings, including information about customers, booking details, and whether the bookings were cancelled or not. Through a series of data pre-processing steps, including handling missing values, converting categorical variables into numerical form, and scaling numerical variables, the dataset will be prepared for modelling.

Various machine learning algorithms will be explored and compared to identify the best-performing model. Algorithms such as logistic regression, decision trees, and random forests will be evaluated using standard evaluation metrics like accuracy, precision, and recall. Additionally, ensemble methods, which combine the predictions of multiple models, will be considered to potentially improve the model's performance.

To evaluate the model's generalization ability, a hold-out test set will be utilized. This evaluation will provide insights into how well the model performs on unseen data, determining its practical utility in real-world scenarios. Furthermore, a feature importance analysis will be conducted to identify the key factors influencing hotel booking cancellations. Understanding these factors will enable hotel managers to prioritize specific strategies to reduce cancellation rates, such as targeted marketing campaigns or early booking incentives.

In conclusion, this project aims to develop a robust Hotel Booking Cancellation Prediction Model that will assist hotel managers in optimizing their operations. The model's accurate predictions will facilitate effective decision-making regarding room inventory management, pricing strategies, and customer satisfaction. By leveraging machine learning techniques and analysing the factors that contribute to cancellations, hotel managers can make data-driven decisions to increase revenue and create a more streamlined booking process.

1.2 Principle of the Project

The objective of this project is to employ machine learning techniques to forecast hotel cancellations and analyse the factors that contribute to them. Specifically, we will investigate the following inquiries:

- Q1: Is it possible to predict hotel guest cancellations using machine learning algorithms, considering the available dataset?
- Q2: Which factors have the greatest impact on predicting cancellations?

1.3 Benefits of the Research

The utilization of a Hotel Booking Cancellation Prediction Model powered by machine learning offers numerous benefits to hotel managers and the hospitality industry. Here are some key advantages of implementing such a model:

- 1. Enhanced Inventory Management: By accurately predicting booking cancellations, hotel managers can optimize their room inventory. This enables them to allocate resources more effectively, ensuring optimal occupancy levels and minimizing revenue losses due to unoccupied rooms.
- 2. Improved Pricing Strategies: The prediction model allows hotel managers to adjust their pricing strategies based on the likelihood of cancellations. They can dynamically modify prices to attract potential guests while considering the risk of cancellations, maximizing revenue generation.
- 3. Proactive Issue Resolution: Anticipating cancellations empowers hotel managers to address potential issues in advance. They can reach out to guests with upcoming bookings who are at a higher risk of cancelling, offering personalized incentives or assistance to encourage them to keep their reservations. This proactive approach improves customer satisfaction and loyalty.
- 4. Resource Optimization: By accurately predicting cancellations, hotels can optimize resource allocation and minimize waste. They can adjust staffing levels, food and beverage supplies, and other operational aspects based on expected occupancy rates, leading to cost savings and efficient resource management.
- 5. Strategic Decision-Making: The prediction model provides valuable insights into the factors that influence cancellations. By analyzing these factors, hotel managers can make informed decisions and implement targeted strategies to mitigate cancellations. This may involve adjusting marketing campaigns, improving customer service, or implementing policies that reduce cancellation rates.
- 6. Competitive Advantage: Adopting a data-driven approach to predict hotel booking cancellations gives establishments a competitive edge. It allows them to stay ahead of market trends, adapt to changing customer behavior, and offer superior services tailored to guest preferences.

Overall, the implementation of a Hotel Booking Cancellation Prediction Model using machine learning empowers hotel managers to optimize operations, increase revenue, improve customer satisfaction, and gain a competitive advantage in the dynamic hospitality industry.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE SURVEY

2.1 INTRODUCTION

- Mehrotra (2006) noted that precise demand forecasting is a key determinant of revenue management. Talluri (2004) have recognized the importance of revenue management forecasting by confirming that revenue management systems need a quantity forecast, and more precisely, "its performance depends critically on the quality of these forecasts".
- Because of the need for predicted demand, the cancellation of reservations, as in the
 hospitality industry and other service industries that deal with advanced reservations, do not
 show the true demand for their services, as there are often a insignificant number of
 cancellations (Morales et al., 2010).
- The cancellation of bookings is a well-known issue in the revenue management sector related to the service industries, and especially to the hospitality industry. With the growing effect of the internet on the way consumers search and purchase travel services in recent years (Noone & Lee, 2010), researches in this topic have been increased, and particularly on the subject of controls used to mitigate the effects of Cancellations on revenue allocation, cancelation policies and overbooking (Ivanov, 2014; Talluri et al., 2004).
- In addition to that, other authors like Morales & Wang (2010) and Ivanov & Zecher (2012) acknowledged the crucial role of demand forecast where forecasting is crucial.
- Actually, Morales (2010) describes that "it is hard to imagine that one can predict whether a
 booking will be cancelled or not with high accuracy simply by looking at PNR information".
 Although, it is suggested in the next chapters that the classification of whether a room
 reservation will be cancelled is feasible.
- According to Ivanov (2014), the registration of cancellations is an important factor for recognizing data trends and thus creating better forecasts, overbooking and cancellation policies.
- According to A. R. Bajaj and N. N. Jani (2017), the study by Bajaj and Jani focused on hotel booking cancellation prediction using data mining techniques.

They employed various data mining algorithms, including decision trees and Naïve Bayes, to analyze factors such as booking channel, booking date, and customer characteristics in predicting cancellations.

- According to Li and Wang (2018), Li and Wang conducted research on hotel booking cancellation prediction using Support Vector Machines (SVM).
 - Their study highlighted the effectiveness of SVM in capturing complex patterns and relationships between variables, such as booking lead time, arrival date, and room type, to predict cancellations accurately.
- According to R. Prathiba, P. J. Ravi, and M. A. Saleem Durai (2019), the study by Prathiba et al. compared various machine learning techniques for hotel booking cancellation prediction.
 They evaluated the performance of algorithms such as decision trees, Random Forest, and K-Nearest Neighbors, considering factors like booking date, customer demographics, and length of stay.
- According to Fang and Ren (2019), Fang and Ren focused on predicting hotel booking cancellations using neural networks. They explored the application of different neural network architectures, such as Multilayer Perceptron (MLP) and Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM), and evaluated their performance using features like booking lead time, customer characteristics, and room type.
- According to A. M. Mahmood and H. A. Ali (2020), Mahmood and Ali conducted a
 comparative study of machine learning algorithms for hotel booking cancellation prediction.
 They compared the performance of algorithms, including Decision Trees, Naïve Bayes, and
 Random Forest, using variables such as booking date, room rate, and customer demographics.
- According to Li and Hu (2020), Li and Hu proposed a machine learning approach for
 predicting hotel booking cancellations. Their study incorporated features like booking
 channel, booking lead time, and customer review scores to develop prediction models based
 on algorithms such as Logistic Regression and Random Forest.
- According to Kim and Yoon (2020), the prediction of hotel booking cancellations using machine learning techniques. They employed algorithms like Logistic Regression, Random Forest, and Gradient Boosting Machines, considering factors such as booking lead time, hotel rating, and cancellation history.
- According to Liu and Cao (2021), they focused on hotel booking cancellation prediction based on machine learning algorithms. Their study examined the performance of algorithms such as Support Vector Machines (SVM), Random Forest, and Gradient Boosting Machines, using variables like booking date, hotel location, and customer characteristics.

2.2 INFERENCE FROM LITERATURE

There are a number of factors that can influence the likelihood of a hotel booking being cancelled, and machine learning models can be used to predict cancellations based on these factors. Some potential factors that could be considered in a machine learning model for predicting hotel booking cancellations include:

- Booking date: Bookings made closer to the date of arrival are more likely to be cancelled compared to bookings made well in advance.
- Length of stay: Longer stays are generally less likely to be cancelled compared to shorter stays.
- Rate type: Non-refundable rate types are generally less likely to be cancelled compared to refundable rate types.
- Booking source: Bookings made through online travel agencies (OTAs) may be more likely to be cancelled compared to bookings made directly through the hotel's website.
- Customer demographics: Certain demographic groups may be more likely to cancel their bookings. For example, younger travelers may be more likely to cancel due to last-minute changes in plans.
- •Destination: Popular tourist destinations may have higher rates of cancellation due to changes in travel plans or unexpected events.
- Seasonality: Cancellation rates may vary seasonally, with higher rates during peak travel periods.
- By considering these and other factors, machine learning models can be trained to predict the likelihood of a hotel booking being cancelled. These predictions can be useful for hotels in managing their room inventory and forecasting demand.

CHAPTER 3

METHODOLOGY

3.1 Processing Steps

There are four processing steps. Following approach is set for our approach.

a) Collection of Data

As you are aware, machines initially acquire knowledge from the data provided to them. It is crucial to gather dependable data to enable your machine learning model to identify accurate patterns. The accuracy of your model depends on the quality of the data you input. If you have erroneous or outdated data, the outcomes or predictions will be incorrect and irrelevant.

It is essential to ensure that you utilize data from a trustworthy source as it directly impacts the results of your model. High-quality data is pertinent, with minimal missing or duplicated values, and encompasses a comprehensive representation of various subcategories or classes.

To compare the accuracy of different machine learning models, a sample dataset is employed, which is available on KAGGLE. The dataset comprises 32 attributes and 119,390 records.

b) Cleaning Data

i) The accuracy of a machine learning model greatly depends on the cleanliness of the data, meaning it is free from any unwanted noise. Data cleaning refers to the process of eliminating corrupted or erroneous records from a dataset.

ii) Examples of bad data include:

- a) Duplicated data, which can be addressed by utilizing the "drop duplicates()" method to remove duplicates.
- b) Incorrect data, which can be dealt with by deleting the respective column, especially in the case of large datasets.
- c) Data in the wrong format, which needs to be converted or transformed into the correct format.
- d) Empty cells, where values can be filled in by using measures such as mean, mode, or median.

c) Choosing a Model

1. Logistic Regression:

- Logistic Regression is a supervised learning algorithm used for binary classification problems. It is
 based on the concept of linear regression but uses a logistic function to map the input features to a
 probability of belonging to a specific class.
- Logistic Regression assumes a linear relationship between the input features and the log-odds of the output class. It computes the probability of the output class using the logistic function, which squashes the linear regression output into the range [0, 1]. It then makes predictions by assigning the class with the highest probability.

2. Decision Tree:

- Decision Tree is a supervised learning algorithm that can be used for both classification and regression tasks. It builds a flowchart-like structure where each internal node represents a feature or attribute, each branch represents a decision rule, and each leaf node represents the outcome or class label.
- Decision Trees are constructed by recursively partitioning the data based on the feature that best splits the data according to a certain criterion, such as maximizing information gain or minimizing Gini impurity. They are easy to understand and interpret and can handle both numerical and categorical data.

3. Random Forest:

- Random Forest is an ensemble learning method that combines multiple decision trees to make predictions. It is a versatile algorithm that can be used for both classification and regression tasks.
- Random Forest builds an ensemble of decision trees by training each tree on a different subset of the training data and using a random subset of features for each tree. During prediction, each tree in the forest independently makes a prediction, and the final prediction is determined by aggregating the predictions of all the trees, either through voting (for classification) or averaging (for regression).

4. KNN (K-Nearest Neighbors):

- KNN is a supervised learning algorithm used for both classification and regression tasks. It works
 based on the principle that objects with similar characteristics tend to belong to the same class or
 have similar output values.
- KNN determines the class or value of an unseen instance by comparing it to the k nearest neighbors in the training data. The value of k, a user-defined parameter, determines the number of neighbors

considered. In classification, the class of the majority of the nearest neighbors is assigned to the unseen instance, while in regression, the average or weighted average of the neighbors' values is used.

5. Naive Bayes:

- Naive Bayes is a supervised learning algorithm based on Bayes' theorem and the assumption of feature independence. It is commonly used for text classification and spam filtering tasks.
- Naive Bayes calculates the probability of a given class label based on the presence of certain features. It assumes that the features are conditionally independent, meaning that the presence of one feature does not affect the presence of another feature. Despite this "naive" assumption, Naive Bayes can be surprisingly effective in practice and is computationally efficient. It uses the Bayes' theorem to update the probability estimates based on the observed features and makes predictions by selecting the class label with the highest probability.

3.2 Data Understanding

Table 3.1. Variables extracted from each booking from Booking database.

Name	Туре	Description
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ADR	Numeric	Average daily rate
Adults	Number	Number of adults
AgeAtBookingDate	Number	Age in years of the booking holder at the time of booking
Agent	Categorical	ID of agent (if booked through an agent)
ArrivalDateDayOfMonth	Numeric	Day of month of arrival date (1 to 31)
ArrivalDateDayOfWeek	Categorical	Day of week of arrival date (Monday to Sunday)
ArrivalDateMonth	Categorical	Month of arrival date
ArrivalDateWeekNumber	Numeric	Number of week in the year (1 to 52)
AssignedRoomType	Categorical	Room type assigned to booking
Babies	Numeric	Number of babies
BookingChanges	Numeric	Heuristic created by summing the number of booking changes (amendments) prior to arrival that could indicate cancellation intentions (arrival or departure dates, number of persons, type of meal, ADR, or reserved room type)
BookingDateDayOfWeek	Categorical	Day of week of booking date (Monday to Sunday)
CanceledTime	Numeric	Number of days prior to arrival that booking was canceled; when booking was not canceled it had the value of -1
Children	Numeric	Number of children
Company	Categorical	ID of company (if an account was associated with it)
Country	Categorical	Country ISO identification of the main booking holder
		Type of customer (group, contract, transient, or transient-party); this last category is a heuristic built when the booking is transient but is fully or partially paid in conjunction with other bookings (e.g., small groups such
CustomerType	Categorical	as families who require more than one room)
DaysInWaitingList	Numeric	Number of days the booking was in a waiting list prior to confirmed availability and to being confirmed as a booking
		Because no specific field in the database existed with the type of deposit,
DepositType	Categorical	based on how hotels operate, a heuristic was developed to define deposit

		type (nonrefundable, refundable, no deposit): payment made in full before the arrival date was considered a "nonrefundable" deposit, partial payment before arrival was considered a "refundable" deposit, otherwise it was considered as "no deposit"
DistributionChannel	Categorical	Name of the distribution channel used to make the booking
IsCanceled	Categorical	Outcome variable; binary value indicating if the booking was canceled (0: no; 1: yes)
IsRepeatedGuest	Categorical	Binary value indicating if the booking holder, at the time of booking, was a repeat guest at the hotel (0: no; 1: yes); created by comparing the time of booking with the guest history creation record
IsVIP	Catanadas	Binary value indicating if the guest should be considered a Very Important Person (0: no; 1: yes)
LeadTime	Categorical Numeric	Number of days prior to arrival that the booking was placed in the hotel
LenghtOfStay	Numeric	Number of nights the guest stayed at the hotel
MarketSegment		Market segmentation to which the booking was assigned
Meal	Categorical	ID of meal the guest requested
PreviousBookingsNotCancele	Categorical	Number of previous bookings to this booking the guest had that were not
d	Numeric	canceled
PreviousCancellations	Numeric	Number of previous bookings to this booking the guest had that were canceled
PreviousStays	Numerical	Number of nights the guest had stayed at the hotel prior to the current booking
RequiredCarParkingSpaces	Numeric	Number of car parking spaces the guest required
ReservedRoomTypes	Categorical	Room type requested by the guest
RoomsQuantity	Numeric	Number of rooms booked
StaysInWeekendNights	Numeric	From the total length of stay, how many nights were in weekends (Saturday and Sunday)
StaysInWeekNights	Numeric	From the total length of stay, how many nights were in weekdays (Monday through Friday)
TotalOfSpecialRequests	Numeric	Number of special requests made (e.g., fruit basket, sea view, etc.)
WasInWaitingList	Categorical	Binary value indicating if the guest was in a waiting list prior to confirmed availability and to being confirmed as an effective booking (0: no; 1: yes)

3.3 Data Preparation

In this section, the final data sets for the hotel booking cancellation prediction model development were prepared, taking into account the insights gained during the data exploration and quality verification stages. The data preparation process involved the removal of certain observations (rows) and variables (columns) based on previous considerations. Additionally, the "mutual information feature selection filter" was used to validate the data selection process.

Data Selection and Removal

The original data sets were carefully reviewed, and observations and variables were removed based on the findings from the data exploration and quality verification steps. The goal was to retain only the most relevant and informative data for the prediction model development.

To assist in the process of data selection, the "mutual information feature selection filter" was applied. This filter provided additional information about the relevance of each variable and helped make informed decisions regarding the inclusion or exclusion of specific features.

Based on the results obtained from the mutual information feature selection filter and considering the computational requirements of the model, the following variables were identified as less significant and were removed from all data sets:

- 1. "BookingDateDayOfWeek": This variable, representing the day of the week when the booking was made, was found to have limited impact on the prediction of hotel booking cancellations.
- 2. "ArrivalDateDayOfWeek": Similarly, this variable, indicating the day of the week for the arrival date, was determined to have minimal influence on the prediction model.

Derived Feature Creation

By introducing this derived feature, we aimed to capture the cancellation behavior in a more meaningful way, consolidating the information from the original columns into a single representative feature. This derived feature was deemed to provide better predictive power for the hotel booking cancellation model.

The data preparation phase successfully resulted in the creation of the final data sets that will be utilized for the development of the hotel booking cancellation prediction model. These refined data sets, after undergoing the necessary modifications and feature engineering, are now ready for the subsequent stages of the project.

CHAPTER – 4 PROBLEM STATEMENT AND SOLUTION APPROACH

4.1 PROBLEM STATEMENT

For hotel management, hotel management is complex because hotels must deal with the customer directly and they have their own demand. A hotel cannot find the optimal solution to customers' demands.

For example, a customer's special, mismatched information, or has time issues. Therefore, a hotel must try to cause the least problems by predicting the potential for various kinds of problems to solve those problems.

Hotel booking cancellation affects the management of the hotel in many aspects such as affects the management of room turnover, loss of revenue from unused rooms, etc. From these problems, it can be observed that if there is a method to predict cancellations. This will lessen these problems. And it also gives the hotel better management and more income.

4.2 SOLUTION APPROACH

- The hotel needs to know the variables that cause the booking cancellation. The purpose of this project is to make the hotel aware of the factors that cause the booking cancellation. To make the hotel improve and fix the problem areas to satisfy the needs of hotel's customers and reduce the cancellation of the booking.
- If the hotel can predict that the guest wishes to cancel the reservation. The hotel will then be able to manage the unoccupied room and if the hotel can predict it. It will help the hotel to cost less and increase revenue for the hotel as well.

CHAPTER 5 DESIGN and ANALYSIS

Technical Requirements:

4.1 Software

OPERATING SYSTEM	WINDOWS 10
PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE	PYTHON
DATABASE	MYSQL

4.2 Hardware

PROCESSOR	3.4GZ INTEL
HDD	1TB
RAM	8GB

Design:

To analyse and design a project on hotel booking cancellation prediction using machine learning, the following steps can be taken:

- Data collection: Gather a large dataset of patient information, including demographic data, medical history, and lab results.
- 2. Data pre-processing: Clean and pre-process the data, including handling missing values, outliers, and categorical variables.
- 3. Feature selection: Select the most relevant features from the dataset that will be used to train the machine learning model.
- 4. Model selection: Choose an appropriate machine learning model, such as logistic regression, decision tree, or neural network, based on the nature of the data and the problem at hand.
- 5. Handling Outliers: Identify and Remove Outliers: Outliers can be identified using statistical techniques like z-score or interquartile range (IQR), and then removed from the dataset. However, caution should be exercised to ensure valuable information is not lost.
- 6. Features using Co-relation & univariate analysis: Features can be selected for hotel booking cancellation prediction using correlation analysis to identify relationships between variables and univariate analysis to assess individual feature significance.

7.Logistic regression: Logistic Regression is a powerful technique for predicting hotel booking cancellations. It models the relationship between a set of input features (e.g., booking date, room type, price) and the likelihood of cancellation. The algorithm estimates the coefficients for each feature to calculate the log-odds of cancellation. By applying a logistic function, it maps the log-odds to a probability of cancellation. With this model, hotels can identify significant factors influencing cancellations and make informed decisions. Logistic Regression is interpretable, making it easier to understand the impact of different features on cancellations. It also handles both categorical and continuous features, making it suitable for diverse datasets in the hotel industry.

8.Decision Tree: Decision Tree is a versatile algorithm for predicting hotel booking cancellations. It constructs a flowchart-like structure where each node represents a feature, and each branch represents a decision based on that feature. By recursively partitioning the data, the algorithm identifies the most informative features for predicting cancellations. Decision Trees are easily interpretable, allowing hotels to understand the decision-making process. They can handle both numerical and categorical features, making them suitable for diverse datasets in the hotel industry. Decision Trees are robust to outliers and can capture non-linear relationships between features.

9.Naïve Bayes: Naive Bayes is a probabilistic algorithm used for hotel booking cancellation prediction. It assumes feature independence and calculates the probability of cancellation based on the presence of certain features. It is computationally efficient, making it suitable for large datasets, and commonly used in text classification tasks.

10.KNN: KNN (K-Nearest Neighbors) is a simple yet effective algorithm for hotel booking cancellation prediction. It classifies new instances based on the majority class of its k nearest neighbors in the training data. KNN is versatile, handles both categorical and numerical features, and can capture complex decision boundaries.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. Reading Data

1.. lets read data..

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In []:
In [3]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

In [4]: df=pd.read_csv(r'C:\Users\Ayush\Downloads\hotel_bookings.csv')

In [5]: type(df)

Out[5]: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame
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2. Clean Data

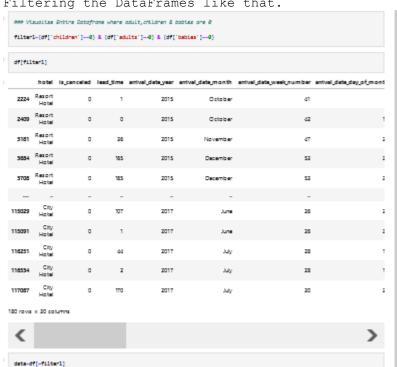
2.. lets perform data cleaning..



3. Dirtiness in Data

Adult, Babies and Children can't be zero at the same time. Because then how can a booking be possible??

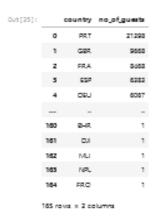
Filtering the DataFrames like that.



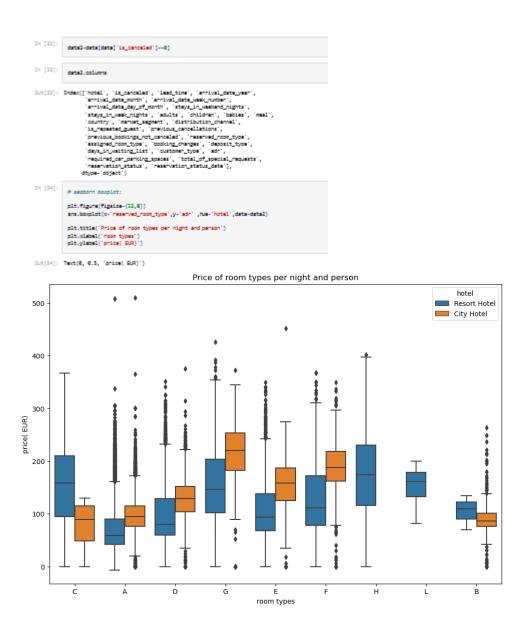
4. Where does the guest come from?

For that we need to perform Spatial Analysis

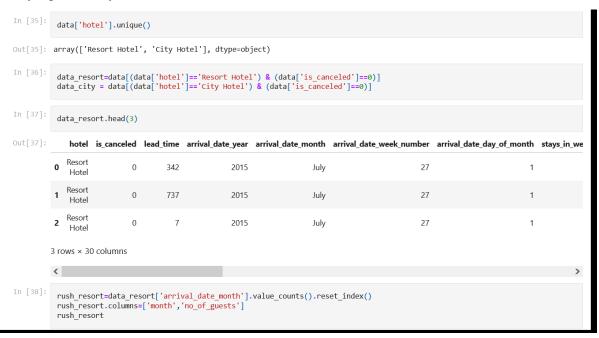




5. How much does the guest pay for a room per night?



6. Identifying the Busy Months

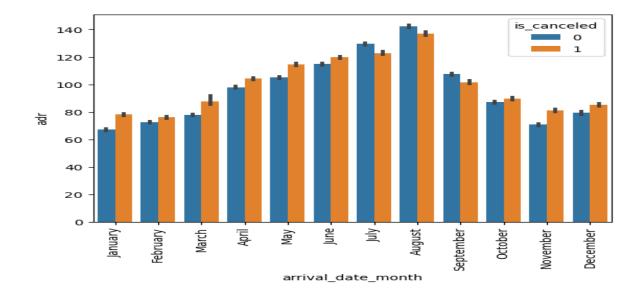


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	1	July	3137	4770
	2	October	2575	4326
	3	March	2571	4049
	4	April	2550	4010
	5	May	2535	4568
	6	February	2308	3051
	7	September	2102	4283
	8	June	2037	4358
	9	December	2014	2377
	10	November	1975	2676
	11	January	1866	2249

7. Determining which month has highest average daily rates.

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In [48]: data=sd.Sort_Dataframeby_Month(data,'arrival_date_month')

In [49]: sns.barplot(x='arrival_date_month',y='adr',data=data ,hue='is_canceled')
    plt.xticks(rotation='vertical')
    plt.show()
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8. Analyzing the type of booking.

Types of booking: -

- I. Only for weekdays
- II. Only for Weekends
- III. Both

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### Lets create a relationship table..
     pd.crosstab(index=data['stays_in_weekend_nights'],columns=data['stays_in_week_nights'])
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In [53]:
          ## lets define our own function :
          def week_function(row):
              feature1='stays_in_weekend_nights'
feature2='stays_in_week_nights'
              if row[feature2]==0 and row[feature1] >0 :
                  return 'stay_just_weekend'
              elif row[feature2]>0 and row[feature1] ==0 :
                  return 'stay_just_weekdays'
              elif row[feature2]>0 and row[feature1] >0 :
                  return 'stay_both_weekdays_weekends
                  return 'undefined data'
          data2['weekend_or_weekday']=data2.apply(week_function,axis=1)
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data2.head(2)

Resort

Hotel Resort

Hotel

In [55]:

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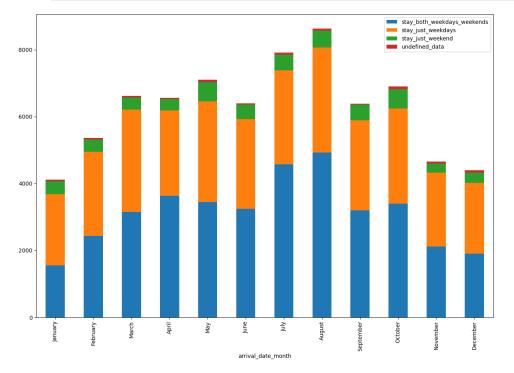
Sorting the data:

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In [60]: group_data=data2.groupby(['arrival_date_month','weekend_or_weekday']).size().unstack().reset_index()

In [61]: sorted_data=sd.Sort_Dataframeby_Month(group_data,'arrival_date_month')

In [62]: sorted_data.set_index('arrival_date_month',inplace=True)

In [63]: sorted_data
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9. Feature Encoding

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Out[83]: ['is_canceled', 'lead_time',
            'arrival_date_year',
            'arrival_date_week_number',
            'arrival_date_day_of_month',
            'stays_in_weekend_nights',
            'stays_in_week_nights',
            'is_repeated_guest',
            'previous_cancellations',
            'previous_bookings_not_canceled',
            'booking_changes',
            'days_in_waiting_list',
            'adr',
            'required_car_parking_spaces',
            'total_of_special_requests',
            'is_family',
            'total_customer',
            'total_nights',
            'deposit_given']
In [84]:
           cate_features
          ['hotel',
  'arrival_date_month',
Out[84]:
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            'distribution_channel',
            'reserved_room_type',
'assigned_room_type',
            'customer_type',
            'reservation_status',
            'reservation_status_date']
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10. Performing Mean Encoding

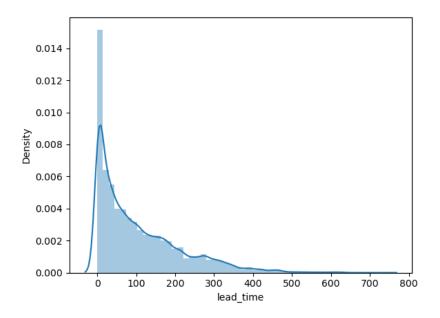
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          ### Perform Mean Encoding Technique
          for col in cols:
              dict2=data_cat.groupby([col])['cancellation'].mean().to_dict()
              data_cat[col]=data_cat[col].map(dict2)
In [94]:
          data_cat.head(3)
Out[94]:
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11. Handling Outliers

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In [96]:
                      dataframe=pd.concat([data_cat,data[num_features]],axis=1)
 In [97]:
                      dataframe.columns
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    'distribution_channel', 'reserved_room_type', 'assigned_room_type',
    'customer_type', 'reservation_status', 'reservation_status_date',
    'cancellation', 'is_canceled', 'lead_time', 'arrival_date_year',
    'arrival_date_week_number', 'arrival_date_day_of_month',
    'stays_in_weekend_nights', 'stays_in_week_nights', 'is_repeated_guest',
    'previous_cancellations', 'previous_bookings_not_canceled',
    'booking_changes', 'days_in_waiting_list', 'adr',
    'required_car_parking_spaces', 'total_of_special_requests', 'is_family',
    'total_customer', 'total_nights', 'deposit_given'],
    dtype='object')
In [98]:
                      dataframe.drop(['cancellation'],axis=1,inplace=True)
In [99]:
                      dataframe.head(3)
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In [100... sns.distplot(dataframe['lead_time'])

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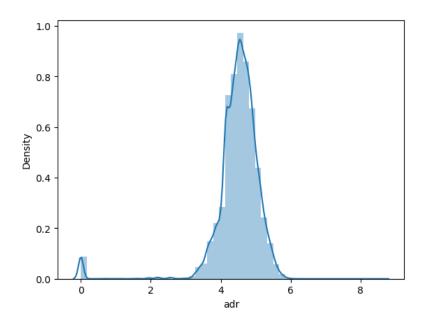
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In [107... handle_outlier('adr')

In [108... dataframe['adr'].isnull().sum()

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In [109... ### now why this missing value, as we have already deal with the missing values..'
### bcz we have negative value in 'adr' feature as '-6.38', & if we apply ln(1+x), we will get 'nan'
## bcz log wont take negative values..

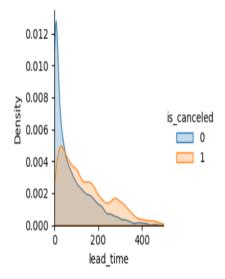
In [110... sns.distplot(dataframe['adr'].dropna())
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12. Features using Co-variate and univariate analysis

```
In [111... sns.FacetGrid(data,hue='is_canceled',xlim=(0,500)).map(sns.kdeplot,'lead_time',shade=True).add_legend()
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Out[111... <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x2719696b610>



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In [114...
           corr['is canceled'].sort values(ascending=False)
Out[114...
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13. Building machine learning model

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In [136...
            from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
In [137...
           X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split( x, y, test_size=0.25)
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           X train.shape
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           (89406, 12)
In [139...
            from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
In [140...
            logreg=LogisticRegression()
In [141...
            logreg.fit(X_train,y_train)
Out[141...
           LogisticRegression()
In [142...
           pred=logreg.predict(X_test)
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           array([1, 0, 0, ..., 0, 0, 0], dtype=int64)
In [144...
            from sklearn.metrics import confusion matrix
In [145...
            confusion_matrix(y_test,pred)
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Accuracy Score:

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In [146... from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score

In [147... accuracy_score(y_test,pred)

Out[147... 0.7955239405428983
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Other ML Algos:

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In [154...
            from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB
            from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
            from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
            from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
            from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
In [155...
            models=[]
            models.append(('LogisticRegression',LogisticRegression()))
            models.append(('Naive_bayes',GaussianNB()))
            models.append((\begin{tabular}{ll} \tt 'Random Forest', Random ForestClassifier())) \\ \end{tabular}
            models.append(('Decision_tree',DecisionTreeClassifier()))
            models.append(('KNN',KNeighborsClassifier()))
In [156...
            for name, model in models:
                print(name)
                model.fit(X_train,y_train)
                predictions=model.predict(X_test)
                from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
                cm=confusion_matrix(predictions,y_test)
                print(cm)
                from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
                acc=accuracy_score(predictions,y_test)
                print(acc)
                print('\n')
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KNN
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CHAPTER 6

RESULTS and DISCUSSIONS

The accuracy results for the hotel booking cancellation prediction models are as follows:

- 1. Logistic Regression achieved an accuracy of 79.55%. This indicates that the model correctly predicted the cancellation status for approximately 79.55% of the hotel bookings in the dataset. Logistic Regression shows good performance in this prediction task.
- 2. Naive Bayes achieved an accuracy of 57.50%. Although Naive Bayes had the lowest accuracy among the models, it still provided some predictive capability, correctly classifying the cancellation status for around 57.50% of the hotel bookings. However, its performance is comparatively lower than the other models.
- 3. Random Forest achieved the highest accuracy with 85.48%. This model demonstrated strong predictive power, correctly predicting the cancellation status for a significant majority of the hotel bookings. Random Forest is effective in capturing complex relationships and patterns in the data.
- 4. Decision Tree achieved an accuracy of 81.82%. This model also performed well, accurately predicting the cancellation status for a considerable portion of the hotel bookings. Decision Trees are known for their interpretability and ability to handle both categorical and numerical features.
- 5. KNN achieved an accuracy of 81.81%. This model achieved a similar level of accuracy as the Decision Tree model. KNN is a non-parametric algorithm that considers the class labels of the nearest neighbors to make predictions, and it performed well in this prediction task.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on these results, we can conclude that Random Forest achieved the highest accuracy among the models, followed closely by Decision Tree and KNN. Logistic Regression also provided reasonably good accuracy. Naive Bayes, while having the lowest accuracy, may still offer some insights into the cancellation prediction task. Further evaluation metrics such as precision, recall, and F1 score can provide a more comprehensive assessment of the models' performance in capturing true positives, false positives, and false negatives.

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Naive_bayes
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Random Forest
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Decision_tree
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KNN
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Discussion:

The provided dataset is a supervised classification dataset containing booking details for both a city hotel and a resort hotel. It includes information like booking method, duration of stay, available parking slots, and the number of adults, children, and babies. To address this supervised classification problem, the Logistic Regression, K-Nearest Neighbor, Decision Tree, and Random Forest algorithms were utilized. Among these four machine learning algorithms, Random Forest and Decision Tree models demonstrate strong performance in terms of accuracy.

CHAPTER 7

FUTURE ASPECTS

The hotel booking cancellation prediction model holds promising future aspects that can revolutionize the industry in several ways:

- Proactive Management: By accurately predicting booking cancellations, hotels can proactively
 manage their inventory, staffing, and resources. This allows them to optimize their operations,
 minimize losses, and offer better customer service by anticipating potential cancellations and taking
 appropriate actions in advance.
- 2. Revenue Optimization: The model enables hotels to optimize their revenue management strategies by accurately predicting cancellations. With this information, hotels can adjust their pricing, promotions, and marketing efforts to attract more bookings and mitigate potential cancellations, ultimately maximizing their revenue.
- 3. Resource Allocation: Having insights into cancellation patterns and predicting cancellations empowers hotels to allocate their resources more efficiently. They can optimize staffing levels, housekeeping services, and food and beverage preparations based on the expected occupancy, resulting in cost savings and improved operational efficiency.
- 4. Customer Retention: Understanding the factors contributing to cancellations allows hotels to identify areas of improvement and enhance their services. By addressing pain points and providing personalized experiences, hotels can increase customer satisfaction, loyalty, and reduce the likelihood of cancellations.
- 5. Demand Forecasting: The cancellation prediction model can provide valuable insights into booking trends and patterns. This information can be utilized for demand forecasting, helping hotels plan for peak seasons, adjust pricing strategies, and allocate resources accordingly to meet customer demands effectively.

Overall, the hotel booking cancellation prediction model revolutionizes the industry by empowering hotels to make data-driven decisions, optimize revenue management, enhance customer experiences, and efficiently allocate resources. By leveraging predictive analytics, hotels can stay ahead of the game, reduce losses, and thrive in an increasingly competitive market.

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