Cross-culture differences in tourists faced with Japanese hospitality: A text mining and rank-biased overlap measure natural language processing study of satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors in Chinese and Western cultures

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Abstract The Japanese spirit of hospitality and service —Omotenashi —is known worldwide for its excellence. Recent years show a steady increase in international tourists coming to Japan. Chinese tourists, especially, have been steadily increasing. However, before the shift that has brought in a global perspective in recent years, most studies in tourist behavior tourist behavior studies were biased for the Western world. Previous research shows that different cultural backgrounds result in different expectations and, arguably, different satisfaction factors. Knowing this, a cross-cultural study of differences between Asian Chinese and Western cultures after the current boom in the Chinese economy in the environment of the high standard Japanese hospitality environment is fascinating. Will the top-grade hospitality of Japan influence both populations equally, or will their cultural differences set them apart? Will they be satisfied with the hotel's purely managerial attributes soft attributes a hotel can change or be more concerned with environmental factors hard attributes that hotel management cannot change? We bring light to these questions and the differences in each population's satisfaction and dissatisfac-

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tion factors in different price ranges. Taking advantage of Web 2.0, we applied Shannon's entropy to extract these factors automatically and then use them in an SVM to classify a more extensive data set. We then measured the similarity value for the frequency in ranked keyword lists using the Rank-biased Overlap measure. It is used for top-weighted ranked lists with different elements and lengthsused dependency parsing and part of speech tagging to extract which nouns were tied to praising adjectives. We found that Chinese tourists are less concerned with hospitality and more with room quality , in contrast with Western tourists, who than Western tourists. The latter were delighted by the staff behavior. We also found that Chinese tourists are concerned with the lack of a Chinese friendly environment, and Western customers are unsatisfied with dirty rooms or the smell of cigarettes.

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1 Introduction

Japan has been known historically for its hospitality being the highest grade. The spirit of Japanese hospitality is celebrated around the world in a single Japanese word: Omotenashi. With roots in Japanese history and tea ceremony, their hospitality is famous around the world (Al-alsheikh and Sato 2015). Therefore it would stand to reason that tourists visiting Japan would have this hospitality as their first and foremost satisfaction factor. However, it is known that customers from different countries and cultures hold different expectations (Engel et al. 1990). Thus, it could be theorized that their satisfaction factors should be different. How will different cultures react and perceive hotels and their hospitality in this context? Our study attempts to bring light to this with two essential tourist populations that differ in culture to Japan: Chinese and Western tourists.

In the last couple of decades, the Japanese economy has been more and more affected by an increase in inbound international tourism (Jones et al. 2009) with a Year-on-Year Growth Rate of 19.3% in 2017, with a total of 28,691,073 inbound tourists that year (Japan National Tourism Organization 2019). From this total, the tourist population was mostly Asian (86.14%), and approximately a fourth of the total (25.63%) came from China. Western countries, counting English-speaking countries and the whole of Europe, make for 11.4% of the total, with a 7.23% of the total being countries where English is the official or the de facto national language. The effect of Chinese tourists on international economies is increasing. From that, the number of researchers interested in this phenomenon has been increasing as well. (Sun et al. 2017). With these and other multicultural tourist populations, the tourist market is more and more diverse. Diversity in customers' cultural backgrounds means that their expectations when staying at a hotel will also be varied. Hotel management, therefore, needs to cater to these needs and expectations to increase

customer satisfaction, maintain a good reputation, and generate positive word-of-mouth.

However, recent studies on social sciences, and thus, on tourist behavior, have been performed using surveys on populations that could be WEIRD (Western, educated, industrialized, rich, and democratic) populations that are culturally biased for the western world . Those (Nielsen et al. 2017). The term WEIRD was coined by Henrich et al. (2010), who criticizes studies that assume that the subjects chosen from these populations are a representative sample of the rest of the world. This bias, albeit without the acronym, was discussed earlier about social psychology by Hogan and Emler (1978). Gunaratne (2009) pointed this bias out in discussions of globalization. At the same time, Nielsen et al. (2017) sampled papers on developmental psychology and statistically examined this bias. This western bias is pervasive in all kinds of social sciences, and tourism science is not an exception. For example, studies are easily performed in the language of the scientist doing surveys for the subjects. A great majority of tourist behavior in history analysis has been performed with Western subjects and was thought to be universal until recent years.

Those studies that do include Asian populations in their analysis —most commonly study Chinese tourist behavior (e.g. Liu et al. 2019; Chang et al. 2010; Dongyang et al. 2015). The few that compare Asian to western tourist behavior (e.g. Choi and Chu 2000) are commonly survey or interview-based studies with small samples, which, while valid, can have its limitations. This gap in research creates a need for cross-cultural studies for the increasing Asian and Western tourist populations. It could be said that Westerners make for a smaller portion of the tourist population compared to Asians. However, according to Choi and Chu (2000), Westerners are known as "long-haul" customers, spending more than 45% of their budget on hotel lodging. In comparison, their Asian counterparts only spend 25% of their budget on hotels. Therefore, it is essential to study both Asian and Western tourist populations, their differences, and contrast the results with existing literature with the existing literature results.

With the advent of Web 2.0 and customer review websites, researchers realized the benefits of online reviews for research, and their importance for sales (Ye et al. 2009; Basuroy et al. 2003), customer consideration (Vermeulen and Seegers 2009) and perception of services and products (Browning et al. 2013), among other effects of online interactions between customers (e.g. Xiang and Gretzel 2010; Ren and Hong 2019). Consequentially, tourism research also began to use information collected online for data mining analysis, such as opinion mining (e.g. Hu et al. 2017), predicting hotel demand from online traffic (Yang et al. 2014), recommender systems (e.g. Loh et al. 2003), and more. Data mining, machine learning, and big data methodologies can increase the number of manageable samples per study. The increase can be from the hundred samples manually analyzed by researchers to the hundreds of thousands that are automatically analyzed by machines. This technology can not only

help confirm existing theories but also lead to finding new patterns and to knowledge discovery (Fayyad et al. 1996).

In this study, we take advantage of the availability of enormous amounts of online reviews of Japanese hotels by both Mainland Chinese tourists posting in $Ctrip^{-1}$ and Western English-speaking tourists populations posting in $TripAdvisor^{-1}$. With this data, we can confirm existing theories about their differences in behavior , as well as and perform an exploration of the data to discover factors that could have been overlooked in the past. In order to To do this, we use machine learning to automatically classify review sentences as positive or negative opinions of the hotel. We then perform a statistical extraction of the topics that concerns the customers of each population the most.

2 Research objective

This study's objective is to determine the difference in factors driving satisfaction and dissatisfaction between Chinese and English-speaking tourists in the context of high-grade hospitality of Japanese hotels using text-mining techniques. We aim to determine a quantitative measure of similarity between the contrast customer groups' satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors of both customer groups using a Rank-biased Overlap measure, both in general and only considering their common factors across several price ranges. We use machine learning to classify texts' sentiment and natural language processing to study commonly used word pairings. More importantly, we also intend to measure how managerial and environmental attributes influence much hard and soft attributes influence customer groups' satisfaction and dissatisfaction of both customer groups. We define managerial attributes as those internal and modifiable to the hotel hard attributes as difficult or impossible elements to change by hotel management without investing in infrastructure or real estate. In contrast, environmental attributes are external and unmodifiable, short of moving the hotel building in its entirety soft attributes are easily modifiable by improvements in management.

Our proposal includes the use of using large scale data from online hotel reviews in Chinese and English to study their differences in a statistical manner. In the past, survey-based studies have provided a theoretical background for a few specific tourist populations of a single culture or that travel with a single purpose. The short scope of those studies means that cultural and language differences often cannot be observed in a single study.

Our study attempts to uncover the difference in satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors between different cultures. These factors can become the focal point for making improvements in improving the tourism and service industries and increase increasing customer satisfaction. Satisfied customers will

¹ Ctrip: www.ctrip.com/

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then write more positive online reviews that will, in turn, increase sales and attract new customers.

3 Theoretical background and hypothesis development

3.1 Japanese hospitality: Omotenashi

The spirit of Japanese hospitality, or *Omotenashi*, has roots in the countries history. However, to this day, it is regarded as the highest standard (Ikeda 2013; Al-alsheikh and Sato 2015). There is even a famous phrase in customer service in Japan: okyaku-sama wa kami-sama desu, or translated "The customer is god". Some say that *Omotenashi* originated from the old Japanese art of the tea ceremony in the 16th century. However, other scholars found that its roots come from even earlier, in the form of formal banquets in the 7th century 7th-century (Aishima et al. 2015). The practice of high standards in hospitality has survived throughout the years. Today, it permeates all business practices in Japan, from the cheapest convenience stores to the most expensive ones. Manners, service, and respect towards the customer are taught to workers in their training, and high. High standards are always followed as to not fall behind in the competition. In Japanese businesses, hotels included, staff members are trained to speak in sonkeigo, or "respectful language", one of the most formal of the Japanese formality syntaxes. They are also trained to bow with different depths depending on the situation, where a light bow could be used to say: "Please, allow me to guide you". Deep bows are also used to apologize for any inconvenience the customer could have, followed by a very respectful apology as well. In fact, despite the word omotenashi being translated directly as "hospitality", it includes both the concepts of hospitality and service (Kuboyama 2020).

It stands to reason that this high level of hospitality would be a positive aspect that would be at the top of satisfaction for any customer. However, in Japan, every business has this high level of hospitality, in differing levels of success. A simple convenience shop around the corner could be more hospitable if hotel management falls behind. Businesses have to strive to be the most hospitable, and hotels are not allowed to as hotels cannot lag in this competition. Because of this Thus, other factors such as proximity to a convenience store, or transport availability, or perhaps room quality might be more critical to a customer. Customers can always achieve satisfaction from hospitality elsewhere, so hotels need to be competitive in their hospitality.

Therefore we pose two hypotheses a research question for our study:

Chinese tourists are most satisfied with Japanese *Omotenashi* factors such as staff behavior or service.

Western tourists are most

Research Question 1a: To what degree are Chinese and Western tourists satisfied with Japanese Omotenashi omotenashi factors such as staff behavior or service.

However, Japanese hospitality comes from Japanese culture. Different cultures interacting with it could have a different reaction. While some might be impressed by it, some might consider other factors more important to their stay in a hotel. This point leads us to a derivative of the above hypothesisresearch@uestion:

Research Question 1b: Do Western and Chinese tourists have a different reaction to Japanese Omotenashi omotenashi factors such as staff behavior or service.

3.2 Customer satisfaction and dissatisfaction during hotel lodging

Customer satisfaction in tourism has been analyzed since decades past, Hunt (1975) having defining defined customer satisfaction as the realization or overcoming of expectations towards the service. Oliver (1981) defined it as an emotional response to the provided services in retail and other contexts, and Oh and Parks (1996) reviewed the psychological processes of customer satisfaction for the hospitality industry. It is generally agreed upon that satisfaction and dissatisfaction stem from the individual expectations of the customer. As such, Engel et al. (1990) states that each customer's background, therefore, influences satisfaction and dissatisfaction. Western and Chinese customers can then have very different factors of satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors since they have different backgrounds and cultures. These varying backgrounds will lead to varying expectations of the hotel services, the experiences they want to have while staying at a hotel, and the level of comfort that they will have. These expectations will be there from the moment that they choose the hotel throughout their stay. These different expectations, in turn, In turn, these different expectations will determine the distinct factors of satisfaction and dissatisfaction for each kind of customer, as well as the order in which they prioritize them.

Therefore we propose:

Chinese and Western tourists have different priorities in hotel attributes that lead to their satisfaction and dissatisfaction.

Because of their different origins, expectations, and cultures, it stands to reason Chinese and Western tourists could have completely different factors to one another. Therefore, it could be that some factors do not appear in the other reviews at all. For example, between different cultures, it can be that a single word can express some concept that would take more words in the other language. So we must measure their differences or similarities at their common ground as well. For this, we prepare the following hypothesis:

The common factors identified for both Chinese and Western tourists will be placed at a different priority for each group.

Studies on customer satisfaction (e.g. Truong and King 2009; Romão et al. 2014; Wu and Liang 2009) commonly use the Likert scale (Likert 1932) (e.g. 1 to 5 scale from strongly dissatisfied to strongly satisfied) to perform statistical analysis of which factors relate most to satisfaction on the same dimension

as dissatisfaction (e.g. Chan et al. 2015; Choi and Chu 2000). The use of the Likert scale leads to correlation analyses where one factor can lead to satisfaction, implying that the lack of it can lead to dissatisfaction. However, a binary distinction (satisfied or dissatisfied) could allow us to analyze the factors that correlate to satisfaction and explore factors that are solely linked to dissatisfaction. There are fewer examples of this approach, but studies have done this in the past (e.g. Zhou et al. 2014). This method can indeed decrease the extent to which we can analyze degrees of satisfaction or dissatisfaction. However, it has the benefit that it can be applied to a large sample of text data via automatic sentiment detection techniques using artificial intelligence.

Previous research has also focused on factors soft attributes that are controllable by the hotel managers and staff, i.e., hotel services, staff behavior, or facilities (e.g. Shanka and Taylor 2004; Choi and Chu 2001). However, little focus is put on factors that are hard factors uncontrollable by the hotel staff that can play a part in the customers' choice behavior and satisfaction. Examples of these factors include the surroundings of the hotelhotel's surroundings, location, language immersion of the country as a whole, or touristic destinations, as well as the integration of the hotel with tours available nearby, among other factors.

This leads to the next hypothesis another couple of research questions:

Satisfaction

Research Question 2a: To what degree does satisfaction and dissatisfaction stem from both internal (managerial) and external (environmental) hard and soft attributes of the hotel.—?

Research Question 2b: How differently do Chinese and Western customers perceive hard and soft attributes of the hotel?

The resulting proportions of managerial attributes to environmental hard attributes to soft attributes for each population could serve as a measurement of measure how much the improvement of management in the hotel can increase future satisfaction in customers.

3.3 Chinese and Western tourist behavior

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In the past, tourist behavior analyzed from western social science and psychology analyzed from WEIRD (Western, educated, industrialized, rich, and democratic) population samples was wrongly thought assumed to be a representation of universal behavior across all cultures -(Nielsen et al. 2017; Henrich et al. 2010; Gunaratne 2009; Hogan and Emler 1978). This bias is also heavily present in tourist behavior analysis and sampling in previous years.

Recently, however, with the rise of Chinese outbound tourism, both academic researchers and businesses have decided to study Chinese tourist behavior. This increase. Explaining this increase, Sun et al. (2017) analyzed the number of studies related to Chinese tourists from 2001 to 2012 and found a

steady increase until 2007, followed by the rapid growth of studies on Chinese tourism. This increase in research on Chinese tourist behavior resulted in several studies focusing on only the behavior of this subset of tourists. To this day, eross-cultural studies and analyses for specifically comparing Asian and Western tourists are scarce, and even less the number of studies specifically comparing Chinese and Western tourists. One example is a study by Choi and Chu (2000), where it was who found that Western tourists visiting Hong Kong are satisfied more with room quality while Asians are satisfied with the value for money. Another is study by Bauer et al. (1993), where found that Westerners prefer the hotel health facilities while the Asian tourists were more inclined to enjoy the Karaoke facilities of hotels, and both groups tend to have high expectations about the overall facilities. Another example is study done by Kim and Lee (2000), where found that American tourists were found to be individualistic and motivated by novelty, while. In contrast, Japanese tourists were found to be collectivist and motivated by prestige and family, with an escape from routine and an increase in knowledge as a common motivator.

One thing to note with the above cross-culture Asian vs. Western analyses is that they were performed before the year 2000. The 2000, and that they are not Chinese specific, but study Asian people in general. Meanwhile, the current Chinese economy boom is making an increase in the influx of tourists. However, that boom of this nation. The resulting increase in marketing and the creation of guided tours for Chinese tourists could have created a difference in the expectations of tourists tourists' perceptions and expectations. In turn, that boom if we follow the definition of satisfaction by Hunt (1975), that change in expectations could have influenced their satisfaction factors when traveling. Another note is that these studies were performed with questionnaires in places where it would be easy to locate tourists, i.e., airports. However, our study of online reviews takes the data that the hotel customers uploaded themselves, making the analysis unique in the exploring of their behavior in comparison with Western tourists, as well as studying them in the specific environment of high-level hospitality in Japan and observing hard factors that are not considered in most other studies.

More recent studies have surfaced as well. A cross-country study (Francesco and Roberta 2019) using posts from U.S.A. citizens, Italians, and Chinese tourists, determined using a text link analysis that customers from different countries indeed have a different perception and emphasis of a few predefined hotel attributes. According to their results, it appears that U.S.A. customers perceive cleanliness and quietness most positively and that. In contrast, Chinese customers perceive budget and restaurant above other attributes. Another couple of studies (Jia 2020; Huang 2017) analyze differences between Chinese and U.S. tourists using text mining techniques and more massive datasets, although in a restaurant context.

These last three articles focus on U.S.A. culture, while our study focuses on Western culture. Another difference with our study is that of the context of the study. The first study has (Francesco and Roberta 2019) was done with the context of tourists from 3 three countries staying in hotels across the

world, the second choosing. The second one chose restaurant reviews from the U.S.A. and Chinese tourists eating in 3-three countries in Europe, and the third analyzing reviews of. The third is analyzing restaurants in Bejing. Our study, on

On the other hand, our study focuses on Western culture, instead of a single Western country, and Chinese culture clashing with the hospitality environment in Japan, specifically. The importance of Japan Japan's importance in this analysis comes from the unique environment of high-grade hospitality that the country presents. In this environment, do customers hold their satisfaction to this hospitality regardless of their culture, or are other factors are more important more relevant to the customers overall? Our study measures this at a large scale across different hotels in Japan.

Other studies, perhaps recognizing that samples being comprised of people from Western industrialized countries are not representative, have gone further and studied people from many countries in their samples, and performed a more universal and holistic (not cross-culture) analysis. Choi and Chu (2001), for example, analyzed hotel guest satisfaction determinants in Hong Kong with surveys in English, Chinese and Japanese translations, with people from many countries in their sample. Choi and Chu (2001) found that staff service quality, room quality, and value for money were the top satisfaction determinants. As another example, Uzama (2012) produced a typology for foreigners coming to Japan for tourism, without making distinctions for their culture, but their motivation in traveling in Japan. In another study —Zhou et al. (2014) analyzed hotel satisfaction using English and Mandarin online reviews from guests staying in Hangzhou, China coming from many different countries. The general satisfaction score was noticed to be different in those countries. However, a more in-depth cross-cultural analysis of the satisfaction factors wasn't was not performed. As a result of their research, Zhou et al. (2014) thus found that customers are universally satisfied by welcome extras, dining environments, and special food services.

Regarding Western tourist behavior, a few examples can tell us what to expect when analyzing our data. Kozak (2002) found that British and German tourists' satisfaction determinants while visiting Spain and Turkey were hygiene and cleanliness, hospitality, the availability of facilities and activities, and accommodation services. Shanka and Taylor (2004) found that English-speaking tourists in Perth, Australia were most satisfied with staff friendliness, the efficiency of check-in and check-out, restaurant and bar facilities, and lobby ambiance.

Regarding outbound Chinese tourists, academic studies about Chinese tourists have increased (Sun et al. 2017). Different researchers have found that Chinese tourist populations have several specific attributes. According to Ryan and Mo (2001) and their study of Chinese tourists in New Zealand, Chinese tourists prefer nature, cleanliness, and scenery in contrast to experiences and activities. Dongyang et al. (2015) studied Chinese tourists in the Kansai region of Japan and found that Chinese tourists are satisfied mostly with exploring the food culture of their destination, cleanliness, and staff. Study-

ing Chinese tourists in Vietnam, Truong and King (2009) found that Chinese tourists are highly concerned with value for money. According to Liu et al. (2019), Chinese tourists tend to have harsher criticism when compared with other international tourists. Moreover, as stated by Gao et al. (2017), who analyzed different generations of Chinese tourists and their connection to nature while traveling, Chinese tourists prefer nature overall. However, the younger generations seem to do so less than their older counterparts.

Although the studies focusing only on Chinese tourists or only on Western tourists have a narrow view, their theoretical contributions are valuable. We can see that depending on the study and the design of questionnaires , as well as the destinations; and the destinations, the results can vary greatly. Not only that, but while there seems to be some overlap in most studies, some factors are completely ignored in one study but not in the other. Since our study uses data mining, the definition of each factor's definition is left for hotel customers to decide en masse via their reviews. This means that the factors will be selected through statistical methods alone, instead of being defined by the questionnaire. Our method allows us to find factors that we would not have contemplated. It also avoids enforcing a factor on the mind of study subjects by presenting them with a question that they did not think of by themselves. This large variety of opinions in a well-sized sample, added to the automatic findings of statistical text analysis methods, gives an advantage to our study our study an advantage compared to others with smaller samples. Besides, this study could This study could also help us analyze the satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors cross-culturally and compare them with the existing literature.

Undoubtedly previous literature has examples of other cross-culture studies of tourist behavior and to further highlight our study and its merits. A contrast is shown in Table 1. This table shows that older studies were conducted with surveys and had a different study topic. These are changes in demand (Bauer et al. 1993), tourist motivation (Kim and Lee 2000), and closer to our study, satisfaction levels (Choi and Chu 2000). However, our study topic is not the levels of satisfaction but the factors that drive it , as well as and dissatisfaction, which is overlooked in most studies. Newer studies with larger samples and similar methodologies have emerged, although two of these study restaurants instead of hotels (Jia 2020; Huang 2017). One important difference is the geographical focus of their studies. While Francesco and Roberta (2019), Jia (2020) and Huang (2017) have a multi-national focus, we instead focus on Japan. The focus on Japan is important because of its leading top rank in hospitality across all types of businesses. This raises the question: in such an environment, will the customers be universally satisfied with this factor, or will they have differing views within their cultures? Our study brings light to the changes, or lack thereof, in different touristic environments where an attribute can be considered as excellent. The number of samples in other text-mining studies is also smaller to ours in comparison. Apart from that, every study has a different text mining method.

Table 1: Comparison between cross-culture or cross-country previous studies and our study.

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Study topic	Changes in demand	Satisfaction Levels	tourist Motivation	of Roast Duck	Emphasis	Satisfaction	Dissatisfaction
Geographical focus	Asia Pacific region	Hong Kong	Global	Beijing	Multi-national	Multi-national	Japan
Industry	Hotels	Hotels	Tourism	Restaurant (Beijing Roast Duck)	Hotels	Restaurants	Hotels
	7		Tourists arriving	Diners	Hotel customers	Diners	Hotel customers
Study subjects	Hotel managers	Hotel customers	in airport	online reviews	online reviews	online reviews	online reviews
Sample method	surveys	surveys	survey	text mining	text mining	text mining	text mining
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Number of samples	185 surveys	540 surveys	200 Terrentellean	308 Emalish manions	9000 reviews (3000 per country)	(1360 Chinese)	(48,070 Chinese)
			zoa aapanese	ogo Engush reviews		(1088 English)	(41,137 English)
Study method	statistics	VARIMAX	MANOVA	Semantic Network	Text Link Analysis	Topic modeling	SVM, Dependency Parsing
				Analysis		(LDA)	and POS tagging
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3.4 Data mining, machine learning, knowledge discovery and sentiment analysis

In the current world, data is presented to us in larger and larger quantities. Today's data sizes were commonly only seen in very specialized large laboratories with supercomputers a couple of decades ago. However, they are now standard for market and managerial studies, independent university students, and any scientist that can connect connecting to the Internet. Such quantities of data are available to study now more than ever. Nevertheless, it would be impossible for researchers to parse all of this data by themselves. As Fayyad et al. (1996) summarizes, data by itself is unusable until it goes through a process of selection, preprocessing, transformation, mining, and evaluation. Only then can it be established as knowledge. With the tools available to us in the era of information science, algorithms can be used to detect patterns that would take researchers too long to recognize. These patterns can, later on, be evaluated to generate knowledge. This process is called Knowledge Discovery in Databases.

Now, there are, of course, many sources of numerical data to be explored. However, perhaps what is most available and interesting to managerial purposes is the resource of customers' opinions in text form. Since the introduction of Web 2.0, a never before seen quantity of valuable information is posted to the Internet at a staggering speed. Text mining has then been proposed more than a decade ago to utilize this data (e.g. Rajman and Besançon 1998; Nahm and Mooney 2002). Using Natural Language Processing, one can parse language in a way that translates to numbers so that a computer can analyze it. Since then, text mining techniques have improved over the years. This has been used in the field of hospitality as well for many purposes, including satisfaction analysis from reviews (e.g Berezina et al. 2016; Xu and Li 2016; Xiang et al. 2015; Hargreaves 2015; Balbi et al. 2018), social media's influence on travelers (e.g. Xiang and Gretzel 2010), review summarization (e.g. Hu et al. 2017), perceived value of reviews (e.g Fang et al. 2016), and even predicting hotel demand using web traffic data (e.g Yang et al. 2014).

More than only analyzing patterns within the text, researchers have found how to determine the sentiment behind a statement based on speech patterns, statistical patterns, and other methodologies. This method is called sentiment analysis or opinion mining. A precursor of this method was attempted decades ago (Stone et al. 1966). With sentiment analysis, one could use patterns in the text to determine whether a sentence was being said with a positive opinion, a critical opinion. This methodology could even determine other ranges of emotions, depending on the thoroughness of the algorithm. Examples of sentiment analysis include ranking products through online reviews (e.g. Liu et al. 2017; Zhang et al. 2011), predicting political poll results through opinions in Twitter (O'Connor et al. 2010), and so on. In the hospitality field, it has been used to classify reviewers' opinions of hotels in online reviews (e.g. Kim et al. 2017; Al-Smadi et al. 2018).

The algorithm used for sentiment analysis in our study is called a Support Vector Machine. It is a form of supervised machine learning used for binary classification. This means a sample of labeled training data is given to the algorithm to detect patterns in the data and use those patterns to establish a method for classifying other unlabeled data automatically. Machine learning is a general term used for algorithms that, when given data, will automatically use that data to "learn" from its patterns and apply them for improving upon a task. Learning machines can be supervised, as in our study, where the algorithm has manually labeled data to know the correct task result template. Machine learning can also be unsupervised, where without any pre-labeled data. In this latter case, the machine will analyze the structure and patters on the data and perform a task based on its conclusions on its own own conclusions. Our study calls for a supervised machine since text analysis can be intricate. Many patterns might occur, but we are only interested in satisfaction and dissatisfaction labels. Consequently, we teach the machine through previously labeled text samples.

Machine learning and data mining are two fields with a significant overlap since they can use each other's methods to achieve the task at hand. Machine learning methods focus on the prediction of predicting new data based on known properties and patterns of the given data. Data mining, on the other hand, is discovering new information and new properties of the data. Our machine learning approach will learn the sentiment patterns of our sample texts showing satisfaction and dissatisfaction, and using these to label the rest of the data. We are not exploring new patterns in the sentiment data. However, we are using sentiment predictions for knowledge discovery in our database. Thus our study is a data mining experiment based on machine learning.

Because the methodology for finding patterns in the data is automatic and statistical, it is both reliable and unpredictable. Reliable in that the algorithm will find a pattern by its nature. Unpredictable in that because it has no intervention from the researchers in making questionnaires, it can have different results from anything that the researchers could expect. These qualities determine why, much like actual mining, data mining is mostly exploratory. One can never be sure that one will find a specific something. However, we can make predictions and estimates about where to find knowledge —and what kind of knowledge we can uncover. The exploration of large opinion datasets with these methods is essential. The reason being we can discover knowledge that could be missed by looking at a localized sample rather than a holistic view of every users' opinion. In other words, a machine algorithm can find the needles in a haystack that we did not know were there from taking small bundles of hay at a time.

In this study, we can predict that several things might occur. Our data could show satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors that are universal, and it could also find strictly cultural factors. However, we expect that both of these options will present themselves. We can also assert that we could arrive at very similar results to previous literature if they are correct in their findings. However, we are using a database of several orders of magnitude larger. We

can also expect that —we may discover patterns that researchers previously had not noticed because of the lack of questionnaire design and users' freedom to record their pleasures and grievances, we may discover patterns that researchers previously noticed.

4 Methodology

We have extracted a large number of text reviews from a Chinese portal site Ctrip, as well as the travel site TripAdvisor. We then determined the most commonly used words that would contribute the most contribute to positive and negative opinions in a review. We did this using Shannon's entropy to extract keywords from their vocabulary. These positive and negative keywords allow us to perform a Support Vector Machine (SVM) based emotional classification of the reviews in large quantities, saving time and resources for the researchers. We classified the sentences in the extracted reviews as emotionally positive or negative, using an optimized SVMSupport Vector Classifier (SVC). We then observed the weight values of each keyword in the machine. We applied a dependency parsing to the reviews and a Part of Speech tagging (POS tagging) to observe the relationship between adjective keywords and other nouns used in the reviews. We split the dataset in price ranges to observe the satisfaction factors and their differences between lower-class and higher-class hotels. We observed the frequency of the terms in the dataset to extract the most utilized words in either kind of review. We show an overview of this methodology in Figure 1, which is an updated version of the methodology used by Alemán Carreón et al. (2018). Finally, we used this ranking in frequency to perform a Rank-biased overlap test and make observations for the hypothesis testingalso observed if the satisfaction factors were soft or hard attributes of the hotel. Soft attributes are those that hotel management can easily change those attributes without investing in infrastructure or real estate. Hard attributes are impossible or impractical to change.

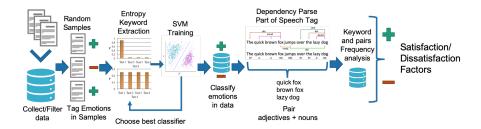


Fig. 1: Overview of the methodology to quantitatively rank satisfaction factors.

4.1 Data collection

In the data collection stage for Chinese reviews in *Ctrip*, a total of 5774 review pages of hotels in Japan were collected. From these pages, we extracted a total of 245,919 reviews, from which 211,932 were detected to be standard Mandarin Chinese from mainland China. Since a single review can have sentences with different sentiments, we separated sentences using punctuation marks. The Chinese reviews were comprised of 187,348 separate sentences.

In the *TripAdvisor* data collection, we collected data from 21,380 different hotels. In total, we collected 295,931 reviews, from which 295,503 were detected to be in English. Similarly to the Chinese data, we then separated these English reviews into 2,694,261 sentences using the *gensim* python library. For the language detection in both cases we used the *langdetect* python library.

However, we needed to make the data and comparisons we draw from each of these datasets fair. For that purpose, we filtered both databases only to contain reviews from hotels in both datasets, using their English names to do a search match. We also filtered them to be in the same date range and cut off reviews outside of each other's date ranges. In addition, we selected only the hotels that had pricing information available. We extracted the lowest price possible for a room or bed for one night, and the highest price possible for one night as well. The difference in pricing can be from better room settings, such as double or twin rooms, or suites of several classes depending on the hotel. Regardless of the reason, the highest-priced room can be an indicator of the hotel's class indirectly, which can give us an insight into the kind of service that is offered. After filtering, we found that the number of hotels in common in the data collected was 580 and that the 557. The overlapping date range for reviews was from July 2014 to July 2017. We also Within these hotels, from Ctrip there was 48,070 reviews comprised of 101,963 sentences, and from TripAdvisor there was 41,137 reviews comprised of 348,039 sentences. After filtering the data, we found that the number of reviews was similar for both English and Chinese reviews, but that English reviews tend to be longer in general.

The price for a night in these hotels ranges from low priced capsule hotels at 2000 yen per night, to high-end hotels 188,000 yen a night as the far ends of the bell curve. Within this range, from *Ctrip* there was 49,561 reviews comprised of 105,076 sentences, and from *TripAdvisor* there was 41,611 reviews comprised of 352,022 sentences.

We found that after filtering the data, the number of reviews was similar for both English and Chinese reviews, but that English reviews tend to be longer in general. Customers' expectations can vary greatly depending on the pricing of the hotel room they stay at. Therefore, we made observations on the distribution of pricing in our database's hotels and binned the data by price ranges, decided by consideration of the objective of stay. We show these distributions in Figure 2. The structure of the data after division by price is shown in Table 2. This table also includes the results of emotional classification after applying our SVC, as explained in 4.3. The first three price ranges (0 to

2500 yen, 2500 to 5000 yen, 5000 to 10,000 yen) would correspond to low-class hotels or even hostels on the lower end, and cheap business hotels on the higher end. Further on, there are business hotels in the next range (10,000 to 15,000 yen). After that, the stays could be at Japanese style *ryokan* when traveling in groups, high-class business hotels, luxury love hotels, or higher class hotels (15,000 to 20,000 yen, 20,000 to 30,000 yen). Further than that is more likely to be *ryokan* or high class resorts or five-star hotels (30,000 to 50,000 yen, 50,000 to 100,000 yen, 100,000 to 200,000 yen). Note that because of choosing the highest price per one night in each hotel, the cheapest two price ranges (0 to 2500 yen, 2500 to 5000 yen) are empty, despite some rooms being priced at 2000 yen per night. Because of this, other tables will omit these two price ranges.

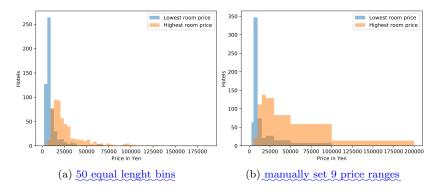


Fig. 2: Price for one night distribution, blue: lowest price, orange: highest price.

4.2 Text processing

To parse Chinese words and separate them, we Chinese text, unlike English, does not have spaces between each word to separate them. Besides, we also needed to analyze the grammatical relationship between words, be it English or Chinese, to understand connections between adjectives and nouns. For all these processes, we used the Stanford Word Segmenter program CoreNLP pipeline developed by the Stanford NLP Group 1. In the Natural Language Processing Group at Stanford University (Manning et al. 2014). In order to separate Chinese words for analysis, we used the Stanford Word Segmenter (Chang et al. 2008). In the case of texts in English, however, only using spaces is not enough to correctly collect concepts. The English language is full of variations and conjugations of words depending on the context and tense. Thus, a better segmentation is achieved by using lemmatization, which returns the dictionary

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Table 2: Collected data and structure after price range categorizing.

Price range	Data collected	Ctrip database	Tripadvisor database
	Hotels	557	557
	Reviews	48,070	41,137
0: All Prices	Sentences	101,963	348,039
	Positive sentences	88,543	165,308
	Negative sentences	13,420	182,731
1: 0 to 2500 yen	Hotels	0	0
1. 0 to 2000 yell	Reviews	0	0
2: 2500 to 5000 yen	Hotels	0	0
	Reviews	0	0
	Hotels	22	22
	Reviews	452	459
3: 5000 to 10,000 yen	Sentences	1,108	3,988
	Positive sentences	924	1,875
	Negative sentences	184	2,113
	Hotels	112	112
	Reviews	2,176	2,865
4: 10,000 to 15,000 yen	Sentences	4,240	24,107
	Positive sentences	3,566	11,619
	Negative sentences	674	12,488
	Hotels	138	138
	Reviews	7,043	4,384
5: 15,000 to 20,000 yen	Sentences	14,726	37,342
	Positive sentences	12,775	17,449
	Negative sentences	1,951	19,893
	Hotels	129	129
	Reviews	11,845	13,772
6: 20,000 to 30,000 yen	Sentences	24,413	115,830
	Positive sentences	21,068	55,381
	Negative sentences	3,345	60,449
	Hotels	83	83
	Reviews	8,283	7,001
7: 30,000 to 50,000 yen	Sentences	17,939	58,409
	Positive sentences	15,642	28,493
	Negative sentences	2,297	29,916
	Hotels	59	59
	Reviews	16,670	9,646
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	Sentences	36,255	81,940
, ,	Positive sentences	31,638	38,217
	Negative sentences	4,617	43,723
	Hotels	14	14
	Reviews	1,601	3,010
9: 100,000 to 200,000 yen	Sentences	3,282	26,423
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Positive sentences	2,930	12,274
	Negative sentences	352	14,149

form of each wordeach word's dictionary form. For this purpose, we used the gensim library with the English texts.

A dependency parser analyzes the grammatical structure of a sentence, detecting connections between words and describing the action and direction of those connections. We show an example of these dependencies in Figure 3. In this study, we use the Stanford NLP Dependency Parser, as described by Chen and Manning (2014). A list of dependencies used by this parser is detailed by de Marneffe and Manning (2008). In more recent versions, they use an updated dependency tag list from Universal Dependencies (Zeman et al.

2018). In our study, this step was necessary to extract adjective modifiers and their subject. We did that by parsing the entire database and extracting instances of a few determined dependency codes. One of these dependency codes is "amod", which stands for "adjectival modifier". This is used when an adjective modifies a noun directly (e.g., A big apple). The other dependency code we used was "nsubj", or nominal subject, which is the class's syntactic subject. We used this one for cases where the adjective is modifying the noun indirectly through other words (e.g., The apple is big). This dependency does not necessarily only include a combination of adjectives and nouns. However, it can also be connected with copular verbs, nouns, or other adjectives. We saw it necessary also to perform a Part of Speech (POS) tagging of these clauses.

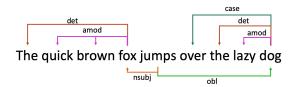


Fig. 3: Example of dependency parsing.

A Part of Speech (POS) tagger is a program that assigns word tokens with tags identifying the part of speech. An example is shown in Figure 4. A Part of Speech is a category of lexical items that serve similar grammatical purposes, for example, nouns, adjectives, verbs, or conjunctions. In our study, we used the Stanford NLP POS tagger software, described by Toutanova and Manning (2000) and Toutanova et al. (2003), which uses the Penn Chinese Treebank tags (Xia 2000).



Fig. 4: Example of POS tagging with the Penn Treebank tags.

In this study, we were interested in identifying combinations of adjectives, some verbs, and nouns. We also needed to filter away bad combinations that were brought by the versatility of nominal subject dependencies. For this purpose, we identified the tags for nouns, verbs, and adjectives in Chinese and English, with the English tags being a bit more varied. What would be called adjectives in English corresponds more to stative verbs in Chinese, so we needed to extract those as well. We show a detailed description of the chosen tags in Table 3. We also show a detailed description of the tags we needed to filter. We selected these tags heuristically by observing commonly found undesired pairs, in Table 4.

POS Tag Language Part of Speech Examples Noun (general) 酒店 (hotel) NN VA Predicative Adjective (verb) 干净 的 (clean) Chinese target tags 干净 (clean) JJ Noun modifier (adjectives) VV推荐 (recommend) Verb (general) NN Noun (general) room NNS Noun (plural) beds JJ Adjective big JJS Adjective (superlative) best English target tags JJR Adjective (comparative) larger \overline{VR} Verb (base form) take $\overline{\mathrm{VBP}}$ Verb (single present) take VBN Verb (past participle) taken Verb (gerund / present participle) VBG taking

Table 3: Target Parts of Speech for extraction and pairing.

Table 4: Filtered out Parts of Speech to aid pairing.

Language	POS Tag	Part of Speech	Examples
	DT	Determiner	a, an
Commonly filtered tags	PN	Pronoun	I, you, they
Commonly intered tags	CD	Cardinal Number	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
	PU	Punctuation	.!?
	DEV	Particle	地 (Japan) (adverbial particle)
	NR	Noun (proper noun)	日本 (Japan)
Chinese filtered tags	M	Measure word	↑ (general classifier), 公里 (kilometer)
	SP	Sentence-final particle	他 (he), 好 (good)
	IJ	Interjection	啊 (ah)
	NNP	Noun (proper noun)	Japan
English target tags	PRP\$	Possessive Pronoun	My, your, her, his
	WP	Wh-pronoun	What, who

Once we had these adjective + noun or verb + noun pairs, we could determine what the customers referred to in their reviews. With what frequency they use those pairings positively or negatively.

4.3 Sentiment analysis using a Support Vector Classifier

The sentiment analysis was performed using the methodology described in by Alemán Carreón et al. (2018). Keywords are determined by a comparison of Shannon's entropy (Shannon 1948) between two classes by a factor of α for one class and α' for the other, and then they are used in an SVM (Cortes and Vapnik 1995), optimizing keywords to select the best performing classifier using the F_1 -measure (Powers 2011). The selected SVM keywords would then clearly represent the user driving factors leading to positive and negative emotions. We also performed experiments to choose the best value of the parameter C used in the SVM. C is a constant that affects the optimization process when minimizing the error of the separating hyperplane. Low values of C give some freedom of error, which minimizes false positives. However, depending on the data, it can increase false negatives. Inversely, high values of C values will likely result in minimal false negatives, but a possibility

of false positives. SVM performance results are displayed in Tables 5 and 6. Examples of tagged sentences are shown in Table 7.

Table 5: Best performing SVC 5-fold cross-validation Chinese text classifiers.

Keyword List	Classifier emotion	C	F_1 μ	F_1 σ
Satisfaction keywords $(\alpha = 2.75)$	Satisfaction	2.5	0.91	0.01
Negative keywords $(\alpha' = 3.75)$	Dissatisfaction	0.5	0.67	0.11
Combined $(\alpha = 2.75, \alpha' = 3.75)$	Satisfaction	0.5	0.95	0.01

Table 6: Best performing SVC 10-fold cross-validation English text classifiers.

Keyword List	Classifier emotion	C	F_1 μ	F_1 σ
Satisfaction keywords $(\alpha = 1.5)$	Satisfaction	1.75	0.82	0.02
Dissatisfaction keywords $(\alpha' = 4.25)$	Dissatisfaction	3	0.80	0.03
Combined $(\alpha = 1.5, \alpha' = 4.25)$	Satisfaction	2	0.83	0.02

Table 7: Examples of positive and negative sentences used for training SVM.

Language	Emotion	Sentences
		酒店 的 服务 很 好 和 我 住 过 的 所有 日本 酒店 一样 各 种 隐形 服务 非常 厉害
	Positive	(translated as: "The service of the hotel is very good.
Chinese	rositive	All the services of the Japanese hotels I have stayed in are extremely good.")
Cililiese		有一个后门到地铁站非常近周边也算方便酒店服务和卫生都很好
		(translated as: "There is a back door to the subway station very close to it.
		The surrounding area is also convenient hotel service and health are very good")
		酒店 旁边 很 荒凉 连个 便利 店 都 要 走 很远
	Negative	(translated as: "The hotel is very bleak,
	rvegative	and you have to go very far to go to the nearest convenience store.")
		唯一不足是价格太高
		(translated as: "The only negative is that the price is too high.")
	Positive	It was extremely clean, peaceful and the hotel Hosts made us feel super welcome
English	1 OSITIVE	Location is very good, close to a main road with a subway station, a bakery,
Lingiisii		a 7 eleven and a nice restaurant that is not too expensive but serves good food
		The only downside. Our room was labeled 'non-smoking'
	Negative	but our duvet reeked of smoke.
		A bit pricey though

Shannon's entropy can be used to observe the probability distribution of each word inside the corpus. A word that is included in many documents will have a high entropy value for that set of documents. Opposite to this, a word appearing in only one document will have an entropy value of zero.

An SVM is trained to classify data based on previously labeled data, generalizing features of the datathe data's features by defining a separating (p-1)-dimensional hyperplane in a p-dimensional space in which each. Each dimension is a feature of the data in this space. The separating hyperplane, along with the support vectors, divides the multi-dimensional space and minimizes the error of classification classification error.

In our study, we used the linear kernel of the Our study used the SVM classification process's linear kernel, defined by the formula (1) below. Each training sentence is a point of data, a row in the vector x. Each column represents a feature; in our case, the quantities of each of the keywords in that particular sentence. The labels of previously known classifications (1 for positive, 0 for negative) for each sentence comprise the f(x) vector. The Weight Vector w is comprised of the influences each point has had in the training process to define the angle of the hyperplane hyperplane angle. The bias coefficient b determines its position, as explained in section ??

$$f(x) = w^{\top} x + b$$

We tagged 159 Chinese sentences and 2357 English sentences as positive or negative. The entropy comparison factors α and α' were tested from 1.25 to 6 in intervals of 0.25. After classification, our data contained 91,239 positive Chinese sentences, 13,837 negative Chinese sentences, 167,224 positive English sentences and 184,798 negative English sentences.

4.4 SVM weight analysis

During the SVM learning algorithm, each data point that is classified incorrectly causes a change in the weight vector to classify new data correctly. These changes to the weight vector are greater for features close to the separating hyperplane. These features have stronger changes because they needed to be taken into account to classify with a minimal error. Sequentially, the weight vector can be interpreted as a numerical representation of each feature's effect on each classin the 's classification process. Below we show the formula for the weight vector w (2), where x is the training data and each vectorized sentence x_i in the data is labeled y_i . Each cycle of the algorithm alters the value of w by α to reduce the number of wrong classifications. This equation shows the last value of α after the end of the cycle.

$$w = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i y_i x_i$$

$$f(x) = w^{\top} x + b \tag{1}$$

4.4 Rank-biased Overlap

In order to compare the similarity between two ranked lists, most cases would eall to action a statistical measure such as Kendall's τ . However, the lists are not necessarily of the same length or necessarily have the same contents. They are also top-weighted (where the first rank is the most important to know, and are less and less important as the ranks continue). Therefore, we propose that it is necessary to use another measure of similarity, proposed a Rank-biased Overlap (RBO) measurement. It takes all of these factors into consideration when calculating a value from 0 to 1, where zero means completely different lists, and one means the two lists are an exact match. Because our Chinese keywords (their translations, at least) do not match our English keywords one to one, it is necessary to use this method. Webber's RBO produces three measurements: a minimum RBO, a residual RBO, and an extrapolated RBO. The residual RBO allows us to know the maximum RBO. In contrast, the extrapolated RBO is calculated by assuming the list would continue in the same pattern of similarity towards infinity. The formula for the extrapolated RBO is shown in (4.4). S and T are listings, d is their depth, k is their evaluation depth, p is a parameter that controls the top-weightedness of the lists, and X is the overlap between the lists. The evaluation depth p can also be understood as 1 - p being the probability to stop looking at the next item in the list. The complete process is described at length by.

$$\frac{RBO_{EXT}(S, T, p, k) = \frac{X_k}{k} \cdot p^k + \frac{1 - p}{p} \sum_{d=1}^k \frac{X_d}{d} \cdot p^d}{w = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i x_i}$$
(2)

We tagged 159 Chinese sentences and 2357 English sentences as positive or negative for our training data. The entropy comparison factors α and α' were tested from 1.25 to 6 in intervals of 0.25. We applied this SVC to classify the rest of our data collection. Subsequently, the positive and negative sentences counts shown in Table 2 are the result of applying our SVC for classification.

5 Data Analysis

- 5.1 Frequent keywords and their SVC weight values in differently priced hotels
- To understand the satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors of Chinese tourists and English-speaking tourists' satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors when lodging in Japan, we study both the frequency of the words they use, and their weight in the Support Vector Classifier (SVC). Following that, to know the relevance of a keyword as a preference for each group, we observed the

frequencies of each entropy-based keyword's frequencies in our complete data set and their SVC weight value each price range. The frequency of the keywords in the database shows the level of priority it has for customers. The weight value allows us to observe the sentiment it relates to by its positive or negative sign. We ranked the keywords by frequency, and use their SVC weight for analyzing the related sentiment. A positive weight means positive sentiment, and a negative weight signifies negative sentiment).

We observed the top 10 words with the highest frequencies for keywords that were linked by entropy to satisfaction and dissatisfaction in emotionally positive and negative statements to study. The keywords are the quantitative rank of the needs of Chinese and English speaking customers. This is shown in the Tables ?? for positive keywords and ?? for negative ones (however, the negative Chinesekeyword list does not have more than seven keywords available). We show the top 10 positive keywords for each price range comparing English and Chinese in Table 8. For the negative keywords, we show the results in Table 9.

We can observe that the most used keywords for most price ranges in the same language are similar, with a few changes in priority for the keywords involved. For example, in Chinese, we can see that the customers praise cleanliness first in cheaper hotels, whereas the size of the room or bed is praised more in hotels of higher class. Another example is that in negative English reviews, complaints about price appear only after 10,000 yen hotels. After this, it climbs in importance following the increase in the hotel's price.

5.2 Rank-biased Overlap Frequently used adjectives and their pairs

Some keywords in these lists are adjectives, such as the word "大 (big)" mentioned before. In order to calculate the similarity between the ranked lists shown in Table ??, and the lists in Table ??, we calculated the extrapolated Rank-biased Overlap between the English keyword lists and the English translation of the Chinese keyword lists at different cutoff points. Additionally, we prepared and modified the lists so that words that are similar but would not overlap otherwise would overlap in this analysis understand those, we performed the dependency parsing, and part of speech tagging explained in section 4.2. While there were many of these connections, we only considered the top 4 used keyword connections per adjective per price range. We show the most used Chinese adjectives in positive keywords in Table 10, and for negative Chinese adjective keywords in Table 11. Similarly, for English adjectives used in positive sentences we show the most common examples in Table 12, and for adjectives used in negative sentences in Table 13.

Table 8: English and Chinese comparison of the top 10 positive keywords.

Price range 0: All Prices	Chinese keyword 不错 (not bad) 大 (big) 干净 (clean) 交通 (traffic) 早餐 (breakfast)	12892 9844 6665	English keyword good staff	Counts in Tripadvisor 19148 16289
0: All Prices	干净 (clean) 交通 (traffic)	6665		16289
0: All Prices	交通 (traffic)			
0: All Prices			great	16127
0: All Prices	早餐 (breakfast)	6560	location	11838
0.111.11.005	PR (DICUMINADO)	5605	nice	11615
	近 (near)	5181	clean	9064
	地铁 (subway)	4321	helpful	5846
	购物 (shopping)	4101	excellent	5661
	推荐 (recommend)	3281	comfortable	5625
	环境 (environment)	3258	friendly	5606
	不错 (not bad)	139	good	206
	干净 (clean)	114	staff	181
	早餐 (breakfast)	112	clean	174
	大 (big)	76	nice	166
3: 5000 to 10,000 yen	交通 (traffic)	72	great	143
	地铁 (subway)	66 55	location comfortable	91 79
	近 (near) 地铁站 (subway station)	51	helpful	79
	远 (far)	41	friendly	64
	附近 (nearby)	34	recommend	59
	不错 (not bad)	601	good	1399
	干净 (clean)	455	staff	1165
	大 (big)	348	great	961
	近 (near)	323	nice	808
	早餐 (breakfast)	270	location	800
4: 10,000 to 15,000 yen	卫生 (health)	201	clean	656
	交通 (traffic)	196	excellent	412
	地铁 (subway)	164	friendly	400
	远 (far)	158	helpful	393
	附近 (nearby)	150	comfortable	391
	不错 (not bad)	1925	good	2242
	干净 (clean)	1348	staff	1674
	大 (big)	1277	great	1414
	交通 (traffic)	1058	clean	1204
5: 15,000 to 20,000 yen	近 (near)	1016	nice	1175
5. 15,000 to 20,000 yen	地铁 (subway)	801	location	1109
	早餐 (breakfast)	777	comfortable	621
	地铁站 (subway station)	639	friendly	615
	附近 (nearby)	572	free	581
	购物 (shopping)	516	helpful	552
	不错 (not bad)	3110	good	6550
	大 (big)	2245	staff	5348
	交通 (traffic) 干净 (clean)	1990	great location	5074 4414
	近 (near)	1940 1433	nice	3451
6: 20,000 to 30,000 yen	地铁 (subway)	1073	clean	3364
	早餐 (breakfast)	1073	shopping	1992
	购物 (shopping)	979	helpful	1970
	周边 (surroundings)	837	comfortable	1941
	附近 (nearby)	825	friendly	1915
	不错 (not bad)	2291	good	3407
	大 (big)	1913	staff	2867
	干净 (clean)	1159	great	2620
	交通 (traffic)	1105	location	2186
7. 20 000 t- 70 000	近 (near)	935	nice	2160
7: 30,000 to 50,000 yen	早餐 (breakfast)	846	clean	1750
	推荐 (recommend)	638	helpful	1147
	购物 (shopping)	636	train	1040
	周边 (surroundings)	552	subway	1034
	环境 (environment)	541	friendly	1001
	不错 (not bad)	4451	great	4425
	大 (big)	3670	good	4350
	早餐 (breakfast)	2422	staff	3777
	交通 (traffic)	2012	nice	2991
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	购物 (shopping)	1764	location	2439
, ,	新 (new)	1634	clean	1655
	棒 (great)	1626	excellent	1555
	地铁 (subway)	1604	helpful	1313
	干净 (clean) 近 (near)	1577 1354	comfortable	1246
	双 (near) 不错 (not bad)		friendly	1238
	小質 (not bad) 大 (big)	375	great	1488
	八 (big) 棒 (great)	315 189	staff good	1277 994
	早餐 (breakfast)	171	nice	994 864
	环境 (environment)	157	location	799
9: 100,000 to 200,000 yen	交通 (traffic)	127	excellent	631
	选择 (select)	112	beautiful	455
	推荐 (recommend)	109	large	404
	赞 (awesome)	101	helpful	401
	购物 (shopping)	98	wonderful	372

Table 9: English and Chinese comparison of the top 10 negative keywords.

Price range	Chinese keyword Co	ounts in Ctrip	English keyword Co	unts in Tripadvisor
	价格 (price)	1838	pricey	462
	一般 (general)	1713	poor	460
	中文 (Chinese)	733	dated	431
	地理 (geography)	691	disappointing	376
0. All D.:	距离 (distance)	434	worst	327
0: All Prices	陈旧 (obsolete)	319	minor	258
	老 (old)	297	uncomfortable	253
	华人 (Chinese)	15	carpet	240
	/ / (Chinese)	10	annoying	220
			sense	220
	价格 (price)	31	worst	6
	一般 (general)	28	walkway	5
	距离 (distance)	11	unable	4
	地理 (geography)	10	worse	4
	中文 (Chinese)	9	annoying	3
3: 5000 to 10,000 yen	老 (old)	2	dirty	3
	Æ (6ld)	-	funny smell	3
			poor	3
			renovation	3
				2
	₩ (:-)	00	carpet	
	价格 (price)	98 91	dated	40 29
	一般 (general)		poor	
	距离 (distance)	43	disappointing	26
	陈旧 (obsolete)	34	worst	24
4: 10,000 to 15,000 yen	地理 (geography)	31	uncomfortable	23
	老 (old)	30	cigarette	22
	中文 (Chinese)	26	pricey	22
			minor	21
			paper	19
	M.Hr.		unable	19
	价格 (price)	296	poor	57
	一般 (general)	218	dated	41
	地理 (geography)	125	disappointing	38
	中文 (Chinese)	93	annoying	36
5: 15,000 to 20,000 yen	距离 (distance)	84	worst	36
5. 15,000 to 2 0,000 year	陈旧 (obsolete)	43	cigarette	31
	老 (old)	26	rude	28
	华人 (Chinese)	3	uncomfortable	26
			paper	25
			pricey	24
	一般 (general)	504	poor	136
	价格 (price)	472	dated	131
	地理 (geography)	164	pricey	120
	中文 (Chinese)	155	disappointing	112
6: 20,000 to 30,000 yen	距离 (distance)	116	uncomfortable	103
6: 20,000 to 30,000 yen	陈l (obsolete)	75	minor	93
	老 (old)	55	smallest	88
	华人 (Chinese)	2	worst	86
			cigarette	79
			annoying	70
	价格 (price)	326	poor	92
	一般 (general)	311	pricey	92
	地理 (geography)	110	dated	65
	中文 (Chinese)	94	worst	64
W 90 000 / W0 000	陈旧 (obsolete)	71	carpet	55
7: 30,000 to 50,000 yen	距离 (distance)	68	uncomfortable	55
	老 (old)	45	dirty	51
	华人 (Chinese)	2	disappointing	50
		- 1	cigarette	46
			unable	43
	价格 (price)	561	pricey	163
	一般 (general)	510	dated	150
	中文 (Chinese)	337	disappointing	129
		331	0	129
		930		
	地理 (geography) 老 (old)	239 134	poor worst	
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	老 (old)	134	worst	98
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	老 (old) 距离 (distance)	134 97	worst walkway	98 82
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete)	134 97 90	worst walkway carpet	98 82 71
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	老 (old) 距离 (distance)	134 97	worst walkway carpet minor	98 82 71 63
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete)	134 97 90	worst walkway carpet minor sense	98 82 71 63 63
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete) 华人 (Chinese)	134 97 90 8	worst walkway carpet minor sense outdated	98 82 71 63 63 58
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete) 华人 (Chinese)	134 97 90 8	worst walkway carpet minor sense outdated pricey	98 82 71 63 63 58
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete) 华人 (Chinese) 价格 (price) 一般 (general)	134 97 90 8 54 51	worst walkway carpet minor sense outdated pricey sense	98 82 71 63 63 58 40
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete) 华人 (Chinese) - 般 (general) 中文 (Chinese)	134 97 90 8 54 51	worst walkway carpet minor sense outdated pricey sense minor	98 82 71 63 63 58 40 34 33
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete) 华人 (Chinese) 价格 (price) 一般 (general) 中文 (Chinese) 距离 (distance)	134 97 90 8 54 51 19	worst walkway carpet minor sense outdated pricey sense minor lighting	98 82 71 63 63 58 40 34 33 20
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen 9: 100,000 to 200,000 yen	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete) 华人 (Chinese) 价格 (price) 一般 (general) 中文 (Chinese) 距离 (distance) 地理 (geography)	134 97 90 8 8 54 51 19 15	worst walkway carpet minor sense outdated pricey sense minor lighting disappointing	98 82 71 63 63 58 40 34 33 20 19
	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete) 华人 (Chinese) 价格 (price) 一般 (general) 中文 (Chinese) 距离 (distance) 地理 (geography) 陈旧 (obsolete)	134 97 90 8 54 51 19 15 12 6	worst walkway carpet minor sense outdated pricey sense minor lighting disappointing poor	98 82 71 63 63 58 40 34 33 20 19
	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete) 华人 (Chinese) 价格 (price) 一般 (general) 中文 (Chinese) 距离 (distance) 地理 (geography)	134 97 90 8 8 54 51 19 15	worst walkway carpet minor sense outdated pricey sense minor lighting disappointing poor annoying	98 82 71 63 63 58 40 34 33 20 19
	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete) 华人 (Chinese) 价格 (price) 一般 (general) 中文 (Chinese) 距离 (distance) 地理 (geography) 陈旧 (obsolete)	134 97 90 8 54 51 19 15 12 6	worst walkway carpet minor sense outdated pricey sense minor lighting disappointing poor annoying mixed	98 82 71 63 63 58 40 34 33 20 19 19
	老 (old) 距离 (distance) 陈旧 (obsolete) 华人 (Chinese) 价格 (price) 一般 (general) 中文 (Chinese) 距离 (distance) 地理 (geography) 陈旧 (obsolete)	134 97 90 8 54 51 19 15 12 6	worst walkway carpet minor sense outdated pricey sense minor lighting disappointing poor annoying	98 82 71 63 63 58 40 34 33 20 19

Table 10: Top 4 words related to the mainly used adjectives in positive Chinese texts.

Drice range	大韓 (not had)	+ (big)	(ueolo) 競什	(nean) 社	(nom) 撮	(great)
0		₹ (big) : 9844	(closn) · 66655	iff (near) · 5181	新 (nour) : 9775	1 (cross
	1460	十四回(上:	17 (cream) : 0000	Al (mear) : 0101 計画 (mear) : 0101	# 冷酷 (4 (810年) : 0070
O. All Duisse		大河河 (big room): 5197 十 円 (ti- t-1): 779	14 万国 (Clean Foom): 1224 村鉾 衛子 (-1 1): 797	に	新文师 (new tacinity): 505	神 (m) (great note): 403
U: All Frices		へ // (Dig Ded): //2	十件 個点 (clean notel): 131	M. Of (near bridge): 144	新 信/占 (new note1): 240	年1年 (great position): 218
		大 酒店 (big hotel): 379	十净 卫生 (clean and hygienic): 464	近 地铁站 (near subway station): 122	新 装修 (new decoration): 116	棒 服务 (great service): 168
	onment): 714	大 超市 (big supermarket): 232	干净 环境 (clean environment): 61	近 站 (near station):108	新 房间 (new room): 53	釋 早餐 (great breakfast): 164
		大 (big): 76		近 (near): 55		釋 (great): 11
0		大 房间 (big room): 11	十一 中元 (clean room) : 21	近 酒店 (near hotel) : 4		棒位置 (great position): 2
3: 5000 to		大来 (big bed): 10	十等 適店 (clean hotel): 10	近 地铁 (near subway): 2		
10,000 yen		大 超市 (big supermarket):5	干净 卫牛 (clean and hygienic):6			
	不错 服务 (nice service):8	大商场 (big market):3	干净 总体 (clean overall):4			
		大 (big): 348	干净 (clean): 455	近 (near): 323	-	棒 (great): 73
	不错 位置 (nice location): 72	大 房间 (big room): 76	干净 房间 (clean room): 66	近 酒店 (near hotel): 27	新设施 (new facility):9	棒位置 (great position):6
4: 10,000 to	不错 酒店 (nice hotel): 37	大	干净 卫生 (clean and hygienic): 52	近 站 (near station):14		棒房间 (great room):3
19,000 yen	不错 服务 (nice service): 34	大 社 (big club): 26	十一年 湖田 (clean hotel): 48	近 地铁 (near subway): 12		棒 水平 (great level):3
	不错 早餐 (nice breakfast): 26	大空闸 (big space): 16	干净 打扫 (clean up):9	近 车站 (near the station): 10		棒温泉 (great hot spring):3
		大 (big): 1277	干淨 (clean): 1348	近 (near): 1016		棒 (great): 241
1		大房间 (big room): 316		近 適店 (near hotel): 82	新设施 (new facility): 47	棒位置 (great position): 33
5: 15,000 to	不错 酒店 (nice hotel): 168	大 宗 (big bed): 140		近 站 (near station):35	新酒店 (new hotel): 25	棒 酒店 (great hotel): 25
50,000 yeu		大 超市 (big supermarket): 73		近 地铁站 (near subway station):34	新 装修 (new decoration): 15	權服务 (great service): 22
	st): 109	大 酒店 (big hotel): 49	干净 设施 (clean facilities): 19	近桥 (near bridge): 29	新 房间 (new room): 10	棒 早餐 (great breakfast):8
		大 (big): 2245	_	近 (near): 1433	新 (new):517	釋 (great): 440
	不错 位置 (nice location): 409	大 房画 (big room): 680	十二 (clean room) : 360	近 適店 (near hotel): 164	辦 设第 (new facility): 89	秦 酒店 (great hotel):51
6: 20,000 to	大雅 谢京 (nice hotel) : 326	大 宗 (hig hed): 198	十	近 始轶 (near subway): 34	報 (Lean hotel) : 51	森台區 (great nosition): 45
30,000 yen	大韓 問条 (nice service) - 206	(Pic Pote 100	十年 日本 (clean and hygienic) - 137	計 相解站 (near subway station) · 31	常 法 (new decoration) · 24	森 開発 (green posterior): 23
	不错 环境 (nice service): 200	大面流 (big moter):102 大 位画 (big snace):64	十字 五七 (crean and nygrenne): 151 十等 环磷 (clean environment): 21	近海次省 (near subway seation): 31	第 表写 (new room): 21	寿 康労 (great service): 23 藤 早拳 (oreat breakfast): 20
	. (★ (hig) : 1913		IF (near) - 935	新 (new) · 260	操 (oreat) · 448
	. 077	大 (Dug) : Tara + pp回 (Linux - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -		(Treat): 900 : (世界) : 80	新 込む (4 (81000) - 110
7: 30,000 to		~ 海回 (big room): 043 十 冊 介: - ト - オン・141		大 神戸 (near note): ou	数 以加 (new tacinty): 03	神
50,000 yen		へ // (ng pen) : 1+1 十 加井 (3:		H H (Hear Station) . 24	数 社体 (inew inote) : 20	年 12 田 (Breat position) : 94 年 日本
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	. 507	/ (mg): colo 十 東回 (hig moom): 1340	Harris Colons 1911 Harris 1910 Ha	北		年 (Brews) : 1050 新 瀬 田 (Janost Potel) : 981
8: 50,000 to	0) - 415	大河河 (big room) : 1340 木 屏 (hig bod) : 938	14 17 Clean 100m) : 310 14 15 17 17 17 17 17 17 17	其	次加 (new tacinus): 141 適压 (new hotel): 193	排 用用 (great motel): 201 核 甲烯 (great hroat-fact): 119
100,000 yen		- 17 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	H	Į ļ	AHAM (TOTAL TOTAL) THE	本 作用 (一十二十二十一) 100
		人 禪后 (big hotel): 144	十件 上生 (clean and nygienic): 101	ij,		俸 近直 (great position) : 96
	平策 (nice breaktast): 251	入 岡辺 (big market): 88	十	Ħ	而 (new): 22	棒 服务 (great service): 86
		大 (big):315	干等 (clean): 72	近 (near): 65		釋 (great): 189
9- 100 000 +0	不错 酒店 (nice hotel) : 53	大 房间 (big room): 131	干净 房间 (clean room): 9	近 酒店 (near hotel) : 8		棒酒店 (great hotel):36
200,000 00	不错 位置 (nice location) : 30	大 面积 (large area) : 19	干净 酒店 (clean hotel):8	近 地铁站 (near subway station) : 3		棒 体验 (great experience): 10
400,000 year	不错 环境 (nice environment): 27	大床 (big bed): 15	干净 卫生 (clean and hygienic):5	近 市场 (near market):3	新 装修 (new decoration):3	棒 服务 (great service): 10
	六階 服条 (nice service) · 22	大 7年间 (hie toilet):13				泰 日祭 (great breakfast) · 8

Table 11: Top 4 words related to the mainly used adjectives in negative texts.

Price range	—搬 (general)		老 (old)
	—般 (general): 1713	(obsolete): 319	老 (old):297
	一般 设施 (general facilities): 137		老 酒店 (old hotel): 74
0: All Prices			老 设施 (old facility):58
		房间 (outdated room): 10	老 店 (old shop): 15
		陈旧 酒店 (outdated hotel):10	老 装修 (old decoration):11
	—粮 (general):28		老 (old):2
3: 5000 to 10,000 yen			
	一般 效果 (general effect):2		
		陈旧 (obsolete):34	老 (old):30
	一般 设施 (general facilities): 10	陈旧 设施 (obsolete facilities): 17	老 酒店 (old hotel):8
4: 10,000 to 15,000 yen	一般 位置 (general location):8	陈旧 家具 (obsolete furniture):2	老 设施 (old facility):7
		陈旧 设备 (obsolete equipment):2	老 建筑 (old building):3
	一般 早餐 (average breakfast):5		
		孫 (obsolete): 43	老 (old):26
	一般 设施 (general facilities): 23	陈旧 设施 (obsolete facilities): 25	
5: 15,000 to 20,000 yen	一般 酒店 (average hotel):21	陈旧 设备 (obsolete equipment):3	老 设施 (old facility):7
		陈旧 酒店 (outdated hotel):2	老 外观 (old appearance):2
	一般 卫生 (general hygiene): 8		
		陈旧 (obsolete): 75	老 (old):55
		陈旧 设施 (obsolete facilities): 42	老 酒店 (old hotel):9
6: 20,000 to 30,000 yen		陈旧 设备 (obsolete equipment):7	老 设施 (old facility):8
	一般 服务 (general service) : 34	陈旧 裝修 (old decoration):3	老 店 (old shop):3
	一般 早餐 (average breakfast): 21	陈旧 酒店 (outdated hotel):2	老 房间 (old room):3
		(obsolete): 71	老 (old):45
		设施 (obsolete facilities): 43	老 酒店 (old hotel): 11
7: 30,000 to 50,000 yen		设备 (obsolete equipment):5	老 设施 (old facility):7
			老 店 (old shop):3
	一般 酒店 (average hotel):15		老 房间 (old room):2
		(obsolete): 90	老 (old):134
	一般 服务 (general service) : 39	53	老 酒店 (old hotel): 34
8: 50,000 to 100,000	一般 设施 (general facilities) : 32	房间 (outdated room):5	老 设施 (old facility): 26
	一般 早餐 (average breakfast):30	陈旧 感觉 (Stale feeling): 2	老 装修 (old decoration):9
	一般 酒店 (average hotel): 25		老 店 (old shop):7
	一般 (general):51	陈旧 (obsolete):6	老 (old):5
	一般 服务 (general service) : 7	陈旧 设施 (obsolete facilities): 4	老 设施 (old facility):2
9: 100,000 to 200,000	一般 早餐 (average breakfast) : 5		
	一般 位置 (general location) : 2		
	一般 房间 (average room):2		

Table 12: Top 4 words related to the mainly used adjectives in positive English texts.

Price range	poog	clean	comfortable	helpful	free	large	firendly	great
	good: 19148	clean: 9064	comfortable: 5625	helpful: 5846	free: 4318	large : 4104	friendly: 5606	great: 16127
	good location: 1985	clean room: 3596	comfortable bed: 1919	helpful staff: 2927	free wifi: 773	large room : 1256	friendly staff: 3819	great location: 2313
0: All Prices	good service: 1042	clean hotel: 969	comfortable room: 1098	helpful concierge: 304	free shuttle : 286	large hotel: 268	friendly service: 169	great view: 1099
	good breakfast: 942	clean bathroom: 282	comfortable stay: 272	helpful desk: 110	free drink: 234	large bathroom: 202	friendly hotel: 73	great service: 841
	good hotel: 874	clean everything: 200	comfortable hotel: 238	helpful service: 74	free bus: 225	larger room: 192	friendly person: 63	great hotel: 802
	good : 206	clean : 174	comfortable: 79	helpful: 70	free: 35	large : 31	friendly: 64	great : 143
9. 5000 +0	good location: 30	clean room : 55	comfortable bed: 21	helpful staff: 36	free wifi: 10	large room: 7	friendly staff: 53	great location: 21
3: 5000 to	good value: 19	clean bathroom: 14	comfortable room: 9		free tea: 4	large area : 2	friendly everyone: 2	great view: 14
10,000 yen	good english: 10	clean place: 12	comfortable futon:8		free raman: 2	large size : 2	friendly service: 2	great place: 13
	good place: 7	clean hotel: 6	comfortable stay: 3		free toothbrush: 2			great experience : 5
	good : 1399	clean : 656	comfortable: 391	helpful: 393	free: 271	large : 250	friendly: 400	great : 961
1 000	good location: 159	clean room: 247	comfortable bed: 123	helpful staff: 206	free wifi: 53	large room: 84	friendly staff: 292	great location: 158
4: 10,000 to	good breakfast: 87	clean hotel: 74	comfortable room: 90	helpful concierge: 20	free breakfast: 15	large bathroom: 20	friendly service: 15	great service: 51
15,000 yen	good hotel: 71	clean bathroom: 20	comfortable hotel: 26	helpful desk: 10	free service: 12	larger room: 12	friendly hotel: 7	great hotel: 43
	good service: 67	clean everything: 14	comfortable stay: 20	helpful service: 4	free drink: 11	large hotel: 10	friendly person: 6	great place: 35
	good: 2242	clean : 1204	comfortable: 621	helpful: 552	free: 581	large : 349	friendly: 615	great : 1414
1	good location: 242	clean room: 440	comfortable bed: 219	helpful staff: 301	free wifi : 109	large room: 85	friendly staff: 444	great location: 199
5: 15,000 to	good hotel: 116	clean hotel: 133	comfortable room: 99	helpful desk: 11	free shuttle: 35	large suitcase: 18	friendly hotel: 12	great view: 81
z0,000 yen	good breakfast: 113	clean bathroom: 38	comfortable stay: 30	helpful concierge: 9	free bus: 30	larger room: 18	friendly service: 8	great hotel: 68
	good service: 108	clean everything: 26	comfortable hotel: 20	helpful reception : 5	free breakfast: 27	large hotel: 17	friendly most: 7	great place: 61
	good : 6550	clean : 3364	comfortable: 1941	helpful : 1970	free: 1186	large : 1257	friendly: 1915	great: 5074
6. 90 000 4-	good location: 703	clean room: 1379	comfortable bed: 658	helpful staff: 1019	free wifi : 269	large room: 329	friendly staff: 1311	great location: 881
90 000 rich	good service: 331	clean hotel: 379	comfortable room: 359	helpful concierge: 79	free breakfast: 68	large hotel: 87	friendly service: 51	great service: 249
on, non yeu	good english: 304	clean bathroom: 95	comfortable stay: 100	helpful desk: 42	free coffee : 57	larger room: 81	friendly person: 21	great hotel: 232
	good breakfast: 303	clean everything: 77	comfortable hotel: 82	helpful receptionist: 17	free drink: 38	large bed: 43	friendly hotel: 19	great view: 220
	good : 3407	clean: 1750	comfortable: 1000	helpful: 1147	free: 933	large : 580	friendly: 1001	great: 2620
7. 90 000 40	good location: 380	clean room: 725	comfortable bed: 345	helpful staff: 607	free drink: 145	large room: 174	friendly staff: 715	great location: 393
7: 30,000 to	good breakfast: 191	clean hotel: 197	comfortable room: 193	helpful concierge: 53	free wifi : 129	larger room: 32	friendly service: 24	great view: 162
neg non, ne	good service: 182	clean bathroom: 61	comfortable hotel: 49	helpful service: 20	free coffee : 45	large hotel: 30	friendly hotel: 13	great hotel: 134
	good english: 155	clean everything: 36	comfortable stay: 47	helpful desk: 17	free bus: 38	large bed: 28	friendly person: 13	great service: 114
	good : 4350	clean : 1655	comfortable: 1246	helpful: 1313	free: 1072	large: 1233	friendly: 1238	great : 4425
9. EO OOO +0	good location: 406	clean room: 648	comfortable bed: 425	helpful staff: 589	free shuttle: 181	large room: 442	friendly staff: 810	great location: 506
3: 30,000 001	good service: 296	clean hotel: 156	comfortable room: 266	helpful concierge: 108	free wifi : 172	large hotel: 109	friendly service: 51	great view: 436
100,000 yen	good hotel: 196	clean bathroom: 48	comfortable stay: 56	helpful service: 28	free bus: 127	large bathroom: 58	friendly hotel: 20	great service: 267
	good breakfast: 191	cleanliness: 40	comfortable hotel: 51	helpful desk: 26	free service: 65	larger room: 38	friendly person: 12	great hotel: 241
	good: 994	clean : 261	comfortable: 347	helpful: 401	free: 240	large : 404	friendly: 370	great: 1488
0.1000.000	_	clean room: 102	comfortable bed: 128	helpful staff: 169	free wifi: 31	large room: 135	friendly staff: 194	great location: 155
300,000 000	good service : 56	clean hotel: 24	comfortable room: 82	helpful concierge: 35	free breakfast: 19	large bathroom: 38	friendly service: 18	great view: 155
mak non'noz	good breakfast : 53	cleanliness: 8	comfortable stay: 16	helpful everyone: 7	free drink: 16	large hotel: 15	friendly everyone: 7	great service: 101
	good hotel: 40	clean place: 7	comfortable hotel: 10	helpful team: 5	free bus: 14	large bed: 12	friendly person: 4	great hotel: 80

Table 13: Top 4 words related to the mainly used adjectives in negative English texts.

		7 - 7 - 7			
rrice range	poor	dated	WOrst	airty	uncomiortable
	poor: 460	dated: 431	worst: 327	dirty: 188	uncomfortable: 253
O. All Prices	poor service : 55	outdated room : 20	worst note: 43	dirty room : 23	uncommontable ped : 03
6. 711	poor graniality · 27	outdated botel · 10	worst part · 15	not dirty · 7	uncomfortable mattress · 8
	poor english: 24	outdated bathroom: 7	worst service: 10	dirty bathroom: 6	uncomfortable night: 8
	poor:3		worst:6	dirty:3	uncomfortable: 2
			worst room: 2		
3: 5000 to 10,000 yen					
	poor: 29	dated : 40	worst: 24	dirty: 11	uncomfortable: 23
	poor breakfast: 3	outdated: 11	worst hotel: 4	dirty floor: 2	uncomfortable bed: 4
4: 10,000 to 15,000 yen	poor service: 3	outdated decor: 2	worst experience: 2		not uncomfortable: 2
	poor conditioning: 2	outdated room: 2			uncomfortable night: 2
	poor view: 2				uncomfortable pillow: 2
	poor: 57	dated : 41	worst: 36	dirty: 14	uncomfortable: 26
-	poor service: 10	outdated:8	worst hotel: 8	dirty room: 2	uncomfortable bed: 7
5: 15,000 to 20,000 yen	poor breakfast : 6		worst experience: 3		uncomfortable pillow: 2
	poor hotel: 5		worst part: 2		•
	poor experience: 3		worst service: 2		
	poor: 136	dated: 131	worst:86	dirty: 67	uncomfortable: 103
	poor breakfast: 15	outdated: 31	worst hotel: 11	dirty room: 10	uncomfortable bed: 24
6: 20,000 to 30,000 yen	poor service: 14	outdated room: 6	worst part: 7	dirty carpet: 8	uncomfortable pillow: 11
	poor english: 9	outdated hotel: 2	worst breakfast : 5	dirty bathroom: 3	uncomfortable night: 4
	poor quality: 9		worst experience : 5	dirty chair: 2	uncomfortable experience: 3
	poor: 92	dated : 65	worst: 64	dirty: 51	uncomfortable: 55
	poor service: 8	outdated: 17	worst hotel: 10	dirty carpet: 11	uncomfortable bed: 20
7: 30,000 to 50,000 yen	poor breakfast: 7	outdated hotel: 4	worst room: 3	dirty room: 7	uncomfortable mattress: 6
	poor english: 7	outdated bathroom: 2	worst service: 3	dirty clothe: 2	uncomfortable pillow: 5
	poor connection: 5	outdated decor: 2	worst part: 2	dirty luggage: 2	uncomfortable room : 5
	poor: 124	dated: 150	worst:98	dirty: 36	uncomfortable: 33
	poor service: 16	outdated: 58	worst hotel: 9	dirty carpet: 12	uncomfortable bed: 7
8: 50,000 to 100,000 yen	poor breakfast: 9	outdated room: 9	worst experience : 5	dirty room: 3	
	poor quality:9	outdated furniture: 6	worst part: 3	dirty cup: 2	
	poor english: 6	outdated hotel: 4		dirty rug: 2	
	poor: 19	dated:3	worst: 12	dirty:6	uncomfortable: 8
	poor service: 4	outdated: 2	worst experience : 2		little uncomfortable : 2
9: 100,000 to 200,000 yen	poor choice: 2				
	poor experience : 2				

5.3 Determining hard and soft attribute usage

To further understand the differences in satisfaction and dissatisfaction in Chinese and Western customers of Japanese hotels, we classified these factors as either hard or soft attributes of a hotel. We define these by the feasibility with which hotel management might improve to satisfy the customer further. We define hard attributes as matters that would be impossible for the hotel to change, such as the hotel's surroundings and location, or impractical and expensive to change, such as matters requiring construction costs, which are possible but of high investment and risk. On the other hand, soft attributes are attributes of the hotel that are easily changeable if small investments are made. For example, in the English keyword lists, the word is "pricey," while in the Chinese keywords it is translated as "price," so we changed it to "pricey" to match the English keywords. We did this change purely to overlap the most words possible, and so it could have been modified the other way around with the same effect. The results of these calculations are shown in Table??. In the case of Chinese dissatisfaction keywords, which is only comprised of 7 keywords, the list remains complete in all cutoff points except 5. The RBO measure can work regardless of the length of each list, so there was not a problem in its calculation hotel's services or the cleanliness of the rooms are soft attributes. Thus, we can observe the top 10 satisfaction and dissatisfaction keywords and determine whether they are soft or hard attributes.

We manually labeled each language's top keywords into either hard or soft by considering how the word would be used when writing a review. If the word is describing unchangeable factors by the staff or management, we consider them hard. If the word implies an issue that could be solved or managed by the hotel staff or management, we consider it soft. For adjectives, we looked at the top 4 adjective and noun pairings used in the entire dataset. We counted the percentage of usage in each context. If it is not clear from the word or the pairing alone, we declare it undefined. Then, we added the counts of these words in each category. A single word with no pairing is always 100% in the category it corresponds to. We add the partial percentages for each category when an adjective includes various contexts. The interpretation of these keywords is shown in the Tables 14 and 15. We can see the summarized results for the hard and soft percentages of positive and negative Chinese keywords in Figure 5. For the English keywords, see Figure 6.

6 Results

6.1 Experiment results and testing the hypotheses answering research questions

From the observation of the Our research questions were about two things. In research questions 1a and 1b, we decide that the objective of this study to determine how Chinese and Western tourists interact with the service

Table 14: Determination of hard and soft attributes for Chinese keywords.

Keyword Emotion	Keyword	Attribute Category
	不错	50% hard, 25% soft, 25% undefined
	大	100% hard
	干净	25% hard, 75% soft
	早餐	100% soft
	交通	100% hard
	棒	25% hard, 50% soft, 25% undefined
	近	100% hard
	购物	100% hard
	环境	100% hard
Positive Keywords	地铁	100% hard
	卫生	100% soft
	新	50% hard, 25% soft, 25% undefined
	推荐	100% undefined
	选择	100% undefined
	地铁站	100% hard
	远	100% hard
	附近	100% hard
	周边	100% hard
	赞	100% undefined
	价格	100% soft
	一般	50% hard, 50% soft
	中文	100% soft
Negative Keywords	距离	100% hard
Negative Reywords	地理	100% hard
	陈旧	100% hard
	老	75% hard, 25% soft
	华人	100% soft



(a) Positive keywords

(b) Negative keywords

Fig. 5: Hard and soft attributes from the top Chinese keywords for all price ranges

and omotenashi hospitality in Japan, and how are they different in their perceptions in this matter. We observed the top-ranking subjects positive factors for Chinese tourists across different price ranges in Table 8, and specifically the word "不错 (not bad)" and its pairings in Table 10. From these observations, we can infer that, while service, cleanliness, and breakfast are praised in most hotels, location is usually placed above it in importance on the pairings. When we see the rest of the factors lower on the list, we see that the list is more populated with hard attributes like location and transportation availability across different price ranges. From the negative keyword usages in Table 9, we can assert thatkeywords relating to serviceand staff friendliness are not on the top 10 satisfaction factors. Besides, there are complaints about the lack

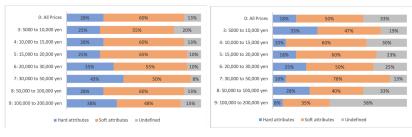
Table 15: Determination of hard and soft attributes for English keywords.

Keyword Emotion	Keyword	Attribute Category
Positive Keywords	good	25% hard, 50% soft, 25% undefined
	great	50% hard, 25% soft, 25% undefined
	staff	100% soft
	clean	100% soft
	location	100% hard
	nice	50% hard, 25% soft, 25% undefined
	excellent	25% hard, 50% soft, 25% undefined
	helpful	100% soft
	comfortable	25% hard, 50% soft, 25% undefined
	shopping	100% hard
	beautiful	25% hard, 75% soft
	friendly	100% soft
	train	100% hard
	large	100% hard
	free	100% soft
	subway	100% hard
	recommend	100% undefined
	wonderful	50% soft, 50% undefined
	pricey	100% soft
	worst	25% hard, 50% soft, 25% undefined
	dated	75% hard, 25% undefined
	poor	100% soft
	walkway	100% hard
	sense	100% undefined
	unable	100% soft
	disappointing	50% soft, 50% undefined
	minor	100% undefined
	worse	100% undefined
	annoying	75% hard, 25% undefined
Negative Keywords	lighting	100% soft
Negative Keywords	uncomfortable	100% soft
	carpet	100% soft
	carpet	100% soft 75% soft, 25% undefined
	dirty cigarette	100% soft 75% soft, 25% undefined 100% soft
	dirty	100% soft 75% soft, 25% undefined 100% soft 100% soft
	dirty cigarette funny smell rude	100% soft 75% soft, 25% undefined 100% soft 100% soft 100% soft
	dirty cigarette funny smell rude smallest	100% soft 75% soft, 25% undefined 100% soft 100% soft 100% soft 75% hard, 25% undefined
	dirty cigarette funny smell rude	100% soft 75% soft, 25% undefined 100% soft 100% soft 100% soft 75% hard, 25% undefined 100% undefined
	dirty cigarette funny smell rude smallest	100% soft 75% soft, 25% undefined 100% soft 100% soft 100% soft 100% soft 75% hard, 25% undefined 100% undefined 100% hard
	dirty cigarette funny smell rude smallest mixed renovation paper	100% soft 75% soft, 25% undefined 100% soft 100% soft 100% soft 75% hard, 25% undefined 100% undefined 100% hard 100% undefined
	dirty cigarette funny smell rude smallest mixed renovation	100% soft 75% soft, 25% undefined 100% soft 100% soft 100% soft 100% soft 75% hard, 25% undefined 100% undefined 100% hard

of a Chinese friendly environment. This makes our hypothesis ?? rejected. However, most complaints are also about hard attributes such as the building's age and the distance from other convenient spots. Nevertheless, the most complained about aspect is the price of the hotel. Surprisingly, all of the price ranges have this negative keyword at the top of the list, suggesting that it is the main concern to Chinese customers with different travel purposes.

On the other hand, the word "staff" tops the list is the second or third in the lists of satisfaction factors in English-written reviews —in all the price ranges. This word is followed by a few other keywords lower in the top 10 list, such as "helpful" or "friendly". This confirms our hypothesis ??. Since we found that these two populations are different in their satisfaction with Japanese hospitality, our hypothesis ?? is confirmed.

The extrapolated Rank-biased Overlap (shown in Table ??) ranged from 0.176 to 0.257 in satisfaction lists, and from 0.128 to 0.176 in the dissatisfaction lists, which are low similarity values ($RBO_{EXT} < 0.5$). This means that, while there is some similarity, the satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors are fundamentally



(a) Positive keywords

(b) Negative keywords

Fig. 6: Hard and soft attributes from the top English keywords for all price ranges

different if we consider them as top-weighted; that is, the first elements are the most important in the lists, and therefore in their similarity measurement as well. This confirms our hypothesis ??, that the priorities for satisfaction and dissatisfaction are different for When we look at the adjectival pairing of the top-ranked keyword "good" in Table 12, we find that mostly, they praise either the location, the service, breakfast, or English availability. When we look at the negative keyword "poor" and its pairings in Table 13, we see that it is also service-related concepts that the Western tourists are disappointed with when they react negatively. With these results, we can observe that both Chinese and English-speaking tourists.—

Both Chinese and English-speaking tourists in Japan have different priorities. However, both populations consider the location of the hoteland the availability of transport hotel's location and transport availability (subways and trains) nearby , as secondary but still essential points in their satisfaction with a hotel. The Chinese customers are primarily satisfied with the room quality in spaciousness and cleanliness , and the service of breakfast.

In contrast, the English-speaking customers are easily upset by any lack of cleanliness and smoke smell from cigarettes. English-speaking tourists, on the other hand, value staff friendliness over room quality when considering their satisfaction.

The lists for Chinese and English-speaking tourists are quite different. However, if we compare the lists, we find that "clean", "recommend," "subway," "shopping," and "price" are shared factors to both customer groups. Their place in the ranked list is the same for most of them, and only "shopping" and "subway" are exchanged in priority. Furthermore, when arranging both lists by eliminating all unique elements, the lists become almost identical with an RBO of 0.906 for the top 20 and top Surprisingly, the cigarette smell is an issue even in the middle to high-class hotels above 30,000 yen per night. However, above 50,000 yen per night, this problem seems to disappear from the list of top 10 satisfaction keywords and 1.0 for the dissatisfaction lists. The lists become dissimilar when there is no cutoff point. However, it's still an RBO of 0.575 for the satisfactionlist and 1.0 for the dissatisfaction list. This means hypothesis

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?? is rejected $(RBO_{EXT} > 0.5)$, where we hypothesized shared aspects in both customer groups to be different in their priority concerns. Old and dated buildings seem to be a concern for both populations. On the positive side, for all price ranges considered, English-speaking tourists value staff friendliness over room quality when considering their satisfaction. In contrast, Chinese tourists consider location and transportation more often.

We also can observe some keywords that are not considered by their counterparts. For example, mainland Chinese tourists are very satisfied with breakfast inclusion. At the same time, English-speaking customers are satisfied with the staff and service. On the other hand, English-speaking customers mentioned tobacco smell in many reviews, while it wasn't was not statistically identified as a problem at all for their Chinese counterparts.

We can observe the top On the other hand, while it appears in both English and Chinese lists, references to "杨初 (shopping)" are more common in the Chinese lists across hotels of 15,000 yen to 200,000 yen per night. Meanwhile, the term "shopping" only appears in the 20,000 to 30,000 yen per night top 10 satisfaction and dissatisfaction keywords and determine whether they are managerial attributes internal to the hotel, that is, or environmental attributes external to it. We manually labeled the top keywords of each language into either managerial or environmental by considering how the word would be used when writing a review. If the word implies an issue that could be solved or managed by the hotel staff or management, we consider it managerial. If the word is describing factors that are unchangeable by the staff or management, we consider them environmental. The interpretation of these keywords is shown in the Tables ?? and ??. positive keywords list for English-speakers.

For our purposes, hypothesis?? states that the satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors would stem from both managerial and environmental attributes to the hotel. This is confirmed for all but one list. The exception is the In our research questions 2a and 2b, we ponder how customers of both cultural backgrounds react to hard and soft attributes of the hotel, and how they differ in those reactions. Here we define hard attributes as impossible or impractical to change for the hotel management, such as the surroundings, view, or location convenience. On the other hand, soft attributes are those that the hotel could easily and practically change without many limitations, such as improving the hotel's services via training or hiring specialized staff. In our study, we find that Chinese tourists are mostly positively reacting more to the hotel's hard attributes. There is a slightly hard leaning (53%) concern with hard attributes in negative sentences, albeit it is more uniform in this instance. English-speaking tourists, on the other hand, are both positively and negatively more responsive to soft attributes. In the case of negative keywords, English-speaking tourists 'top 10 dissatisfaction factors, which are all managerial. However, this isonly regarding the top 10 items on the list. Lower on the list, we can observe some environmental factors. We can see the summarized results in Table ?? are overwhelmingly more concerned with the hotel's soft attributes dissatisfaction somehow.

One factor that both populations have in common is, when perceiving the hotel negatively, "老 (old)", "dated", "outdated", or "陈田 (obsolete)" aspects of the room or the hotel are being criticized across, surprisingly, most price ranges. This is, however, a hard attribute, and is unlikely to change for most hotels.

6.2 Chinese tourists - A big and clean space

We found that mainland Chinese tourists are satisfied mostly by a big and clean space provided by the Japanese hotels. From inspecting random samples, we also find that this is mostly relating to the rooms. There are also the adjectival pairings that we extracted with dependency parsing and POS tagging in Table 10, we can observe that mostly they mean big and clean rooms. Other mentions are also big markets nearby or a big bed. We can observe that across different price ranges, the usage of the word "大 (big)" increases as the hotel increases in price. However, we can see that they still react positively in a significant manner in cheaper hotels. Inspecting closer by taking random samples of the pairs of "大空间 (big space)" or "大面积 (large area)", we can see that there are also many references to the public bathing facilities in the hotel. We can also see them mentioned as a word pairing "棒 温泉 (great hot spring)". In Japan, there is what is called "銭湯 (sentō)", which are artificially made public bathing facilities, on occasions including saunas and baths with unique qualities. On the other hand, there are natural hot springs, called "温泉 (onsen)". They can either be bathing in the natural source of the water or using the hot springs in artificially made bath facilities. It is a Japanese custom and culture that all customers use the facilities after cleaning themselves in a shower and go into the baths without any clothes. It can be a cultural shock for many tourists, but this is a fundamental attraction for many.

From these two first ranking keywords ("big" and "clean"), we can assert that room quality is the most critical satisfaction factor for Chinese customers. However, the size of the room or the bed is a hard attribute. Without considering rebuilding the hotel, it is not trivial to improve on. On the other hand, cleanliness is mostly relating to soft attributes when we observe its adjectival pairings. We can observe pairs such as "干净 房间 (clean room)" at the top rank of all price ranges, and then variably "干净 酒店 (clean hotel)", "干净 总体 (clean overall)", "干净 环境 (clean environment)", and "干净 设施 (clean facilities)", among other examples. In negative reviews, there is a mention of criticizing the "一般 卫生 (general hygiene)" of the word "big" is widespread in the language and could be used in different contexts to point out positive and negative aspects. Since we are interested in how the word is a keyword of positive sentences, we took a small sample of the positively classified sentences that contained the word "big" in Chinese. A team of Chinese speaking lab members then pointed out the usage of the word. Generally speaking, it was used for the spaciousness of rooms, bathtubs, and communal bath facilities hotel, although it is an uncommon pair. Therefore, we

can assert that cleanliness is an important soft attribute for Chinese customers and that they are mostly pleased with their expectations being met.

One key component we found in Chinese customer satisfaction soft factors is the inclusion of breakfast within the hotel. While other food-related words were extracted, most of them were general, like "food" or "eating," "food" or "eating," and in a lower ranking. In contrast, the word "breakfast" "早餐 (breakfast)" refers possibly to its inclusion in the hotel commodities, was frequently used in positive texts compared to other food-related words. A—The word "早餐 (breakfast)" is also observed across all price ranges, although at different priorities in each of them. However, we assert that it is an important factor. Observing word pairs from the positive Chinese keywords in Table 10, we can also see that "不错 (not bad)" is paired as "不错 早餐 (nice breakfast)" in four of the seven price ranges with reviews available as part of the top 4 pairings. It is only slightly lower on other categories, although it is not shown on the table. Thus we consider that a recommended strategy for hotel management is to invest in the inclusion or betterment of hotel breakfast to increase good reviews.

6.3 Western tourists - A friendly face, and absolutely clean

From the satisfaction factors of English-speaking tourists, we can see that at least three words relate directly to staff friendliness and services, being "staff", "helpful" and "friendliness" in the general database. The word "staff" is the " is the second most frequently used word for satisfied customers , while "helpful" across most price ranges, and only third in one of them. Adding to that, "helpful" and "friendly" follow it lower in the list at the fourth and fifth place. in most price ranges. The word "good" is mostly about the location, the service, breakfast, or English availability in Table 12. Like Chinese customers, Western customers also seem to enjoy the included breakfasts when it comes to their satisfaction keyword pairings. However, the word does not appear directly in the top 10 list as in their Chinese counterparts. The words "helpful" and "friendly" are mostly paired with "staff", "concierge", "desk", and "service". When we look at the negative keyword 'poor' and its pairings in Table 13, we see that it is also service-related concepts that the Western tourists are disappointed with when they react negatively. The word "great", which is also high in most price ranges, and the top keyword in the highest-priced hotels, is also accompanied by mostly soft attributes, in pairings such as "great location", "great view" and "great service", if we include the counts from all the price ranges together. Japanese high standards in hospitality very likely influenced this result.

Aside from cleanliness, we can also observe the word "working" is written higher on the list, as well as the word "paper." We observed the samples, and it is often used with the expression "paper-thin walls", which could mean the customers can easily hear their neighbors. Regarding the word "working," we also took a sample of the texts to see its context. It seems to be related

mostly to construction work near or at the facilities. Some cities in Japan (e. g., Osaka) are currently undergoing a large number of renovations, which are also extending Another soft attribute that is high on the list for most of the price ranges is the word "clean". Since it is an adjective, we have explored the word pairings as well. Customers are mostly praising "clean rooms" and "clean bathrooms", while also referring to the hotel facilities. Customers staying in places in renovation or near a construction site can be expected to wake up to construction noises, have their view obstructed by metal bars, and other unpleasant experiences. Another keyword there is "slow", which upon inspection of example reviews, we concluded that it reflects the speed of the Internet connection in the hotel rooms in general. It seems that when observing the negative keyword frequencies for English-speakers, we can find words such as "dirty", "carpet", and from the word pairings "dirty carpet", "dirty room", and "dirty bathroom". Along with complaints about off-putting smells, we can conclude that Western tourists have high expectations about cleanliness when traveling in Japan.

An interesting detail of the keyword ranking is that the word "comfortable" is high on the list of satisfaction factors and "uncomfortable" high on the dissatisfaction factors. The words are paired with nouns like "bed", or "room", "pillow" or "mattress", generally referring to their sleep conditions in the hotel. It seems that in general, western Western tourists are highly sensitive to comfort levels in the hotels and whether it reaches their expectations. The ranking for the negative keyword "uncomfortable" is similar across most price ranges, except the two most expensive ones, where this keyword disappears from the top 10 list.

While less high in priority, the price range of 15,000 to 20,000 yen hotels also mentions "free" as one of the top 10 positive keywords, paired mostly with "wifi". This price range is mostly for business hotels where we infer users would be expecting this feature the most. Western tourists are highly sensitive to comfort levels in the hotels and whether it reaches their expectations.

6.4 Tobacco, what's that smell?

A concern for Western tourists was the smell of tobacco in their room. This can be considered a soft attribute. Not only as a standalone word of "cigarette", but also confirming with word pairs in Table 13, we can find other related word pairs such as "funny smell". Upon manual inspection of a sample of reviews with this keyword, we found that the room was often advertised as non-smokingnon-smoking, yet, the smell permeated the room and curtains. Another common complaint was that there were no non-smoking facilities available at all in the first place. The smell of smoke can completely ruin some customers—' stay and give a bad impression to review writers, which can lower lowering the number of future customers.

However, in comparison, Chinese customers seem not to be bothered by this at all. We consulted studies involving the use of tobacco in different countries. Previous research states that 49 - 60% of Chinese men (and 2.0 - 2.8% of women) currently smoke or have smoked before—. This was taken from a sample of 170,000—170,000 Chinese adults in 2013-2014, which is high compared to many English-speaking countries (Zhang et al. 2019; World Health Organization 2015).

Japan itself—has a polarized view on smoking, and despite being one of the world"s largest tobacco markets, its use has been decreasing in recent years. Smoking in public spaces is prohibited in some wards of Tokyo (namely Chiyoda, Shinjuku, and Shibuya). However, it is generally only urged and not mandatory to have smoking restrictions in restaurants, bars, hotels, and public areas. However, there are many places where "smoking rooms" many places have designated smoking rooms are available to keep the smoke to an enclosed area and avoid bothering others. Despite this, businesses, especially those who cater to certain kinds of customers, will generally be discouraged from having smoking restrictions if they want to keep their clientele. If Japanese hotels want to cater to all kinds of customers, Western and Asian alike, they must provide spaces without tobacco smell. After all, even if it does not bother a few customers, the lack of smell would make it an appropriate space for all kinds of customers.

6.5 Location, location, location

The location of the hotelhotel's location, closeness to the subway and public transport, and availability of nearby shops were observed to be of importance to both Chinese and English-speaking tourists. While In positive word pairings Tables 10 and 12, we can find pairs such as "不错 位置 (nice location)", "近 地铁站 (near subway station)", "近 地铁 (near subway)" in Chinese texts and "good location", "great location", and "great view", as well as single keywords "location" and "shopping" for English-speakers, and "交通 (traffic)", "购物 (shopping)", "地铁 (subway)", and "环境 (environment or surroundings)" for Chinese speakers. All of these keywords and their location in each population's priorities across the price ranges signal that while it was not the priority for either of them, we can assert that the hotel's location is a secondary but still important point in the hotel's satisfaction. However, since this is an external factor to the management of the hotel hard attribute, unchangeable to the hotel's management, it is not often considered in the literature. Upon inspection of examples from the data, we found that most customers were satisfied if the hotel was near to at least two other subjects: subway, train, and convenience stores.

Japan is a country with a peculiar public transport system. The rush hour makes for a subway filled to the brim with people in suits making their commute, and trains and subway stations in Tokyo create a confusing public transport map for a visitor. Buses are also available, although less used than the rail systems in the big cities. These three are unusually affordable in price. Then there are the more expensive transports, such as the bullet train *shinkansen*

for traveling across the country, and taxis. Taxis in Japan are a luxury compared to other countries. Where in In less developed countries the , a taxi is the cheap method of transport of choice, in . In Japan, taxis are made to provide a high-quality experience, with a matching price. This means that for tourists, subway availability and maps or GPS applications , as well as and a plan to travel the city , are of utmost necessity.

Japanese convenience stores, on the other hand, are also famous world-wide. Japanese convenience stores are a haven for the traveler in need. It offers anything, from drinks and snacks to full meals, copy and scanning machines, alcohol, cleaning supplies, personal hygiene items, underwear, towels, international ATMs, and so onamong other things. If some trouble occurred, or a traveler forgot to pack a particular item, it is almost sure that they can find it.

Therefore, considering that both transport systems and nearby shops are points of interest for Chinese and Western tourists, Japanese hotels have to carefully choose their location from the moment they are constructed. While not a top priority, this is a universal factor for both customer groups, and it can be an instant way to generate positive reviews.

7 Discussion

The results indicate that our hypothesis - Chinese and Western tourists have different priorities in hotel attributes that lead to their satisfaction and dissatisfaction - is correct. Furthermore, they indicate that, in the context of Japanese hospitality, only Western customers show satisfaction from staff and service amongst their top detected factors. Below we explore the possible interactions with *Omotenashi*,* ; what the differences between Chinese and Western tourists were,*; what is the possible cause for them,*; how they vary across different price ranges: and what they imply for the industry. We also discuss the differences between managerial and environmental elements of the hoteland the hotel's hard and soft attributes and how they contribute to the satisfaction of customersin light of the results from our third hypothesis - Satisfaction and dissatisfaction stem from both internal (managerial) and external (environmental) attributes of the hotel.

7.1 Western and Chinese tourists in the *Omotenashi* omotenashi environment

To this day, scholars continue to correct our historical bias towards the west. In this time, studies have determined that different cultural backgrounds lead to different expectations, which in turn influence the satisfaction of tourists influences tourists' satisfaction. Meaning, tourists of a particular culture will have different leading satisfaction factors across different destinations. However, Japan presents a particular environment. The spirit of hospitality and service, <code>Omotenashi</code>, excels ; and is considered the highest standard across the world. Can such an

environment affect different cultures equally? Or is it only attractive to certain cultures? Our study brings light to these questions.

Our results indicate that out of the two; Western tourists are the most satisfied with soft attributes, such as friendly and helpful staff in Japan. As explained earlier in this paper, Japan is famous for its customer service all over the world. Respectful language and bowing are not exclusive to high priced hotels or businessesand. These can even be found in convenience stores. The level of hospitality in even the cheapest of convenience stores is starkly different from Westerner experiences. While it could be a culture shock to some, it is mostly seen positively. After all, the Japanese staff respectfully treats all customers. However, for some customers, this could be the best way they have been treated until that moment. Now, in higher priced hotels, the adjectives used to praise the service also go from normal descriptors like "good" to higher levels of praise like "wonderful staff", "wonderful experience", "excellent service", and "excellent staff". We can also see that Kozak (2002) and Shanka and Taylor (2004) have also found that hospitality and staff friendliness is a vital determinant in the satisfaction of Western tourists.

However, we can see from the rest of the western negative English keywords that a big part of the dissatisfaction with Japanese hotels stems from a lack of hygiene and room cleanliness. Although Chinese customers only had positive keywords about cleanliness, English-speaking customers have found many places unacceptable to their standards. This is particularly true at hotels below 50,000 yen per night. The most common complaint regarding cleanliness was about the carpet, followed by complaints about cigarette stench, and general dirtiness. Kozak (2002) also found that hygiene and cleanliness were essential satisfaction determinants for Western tourists. However, in the previous literature, this was linked merely to satisfaction. In comparison, our research uncovered that words relating to cleanliness are mostly linked to dissatisfaction. Westerners could be said to have a high standard of room cleanliness when compared to their Chinese counterparts.

According to previous research, we can see that Western tourists are already inclined to appreciate hospitality for their satisfaction. When presented with Japanese hospitality, this expectation is met and overcome. HoweverIn contrast, we can see from our results that Chinese tourists had less focus on hospitality, staff, or service and were more concerned with room quality. We could theorize that despite being presented with high standard hospitality, it is ignored. However, when analyzing the word pairs for "不错 (not bad)" and for "棒 (great)", we can see that they do praise staff, service and breakfast. Observing the percentage of hard to soft attributes in Figure 5, however, we know that Chinese customers are satisfied more with hard attributes, compared to the Western tourists who seem to be meeting more than their expectations.

It could be that their Chinese culture does not hold the expectation initially. That is, when expect high-level service initially. When an expectation that is not held is met, the satisfaction that stems from this is less than if it was expected.

On the other hand, we have the phenomenon of a "nice surprise": When an unknown need is unexpectedly met, there is more satisfaction. It is necessary to note the difference between these two phenomenons. The "nice surprise" fulfills a need unexpectedly, while perhaps. Perhaps the hospitality grade in Japan is not fulfilling does not fulfill a high enough need for the Chinese population, resulting in less satisfaction. For greater satisfaction, the existence of a need being met is necessary.

However, another However, the word "not bad" is at the top of the list at most price ranges, and one of the uses is related to service. Thus, we cannot say that they are not satisfied in this matter, but rather that they hold other factors at a higher priority, considering the keyword frequency is higher for other pairings.

Another possibility presents itself when we observe the Chinese tourists' dissatisfaction factors. Chinese tourists may have expectations about the treatment towards the Chinese visitorsChinese visitors' treatment that are not being met, even in this high standard hospitality environment. Japan is known worldwide for their hospitality, but they are also known historically to be monolingual and have a relatively large language barrier (Heinrich 2012; Coulmas and Watanabe 2002). While the Japanese effort to accommodate English speakers is slowly taking shape, Chinese accommodations can be lagging. Chinese language pamphlets, Chinese texts on instructions for the hotel room, and its appliances and features (e.g., T.V. channels, Wi-Fi setup), or just the treatment towards Chinese people could be examples. It is natural to be dissatisfied, since traveling in a strange land without knowing the language can be a daunting experience. Ryan and Mo (2001) also found that communication difficulty was one of the main reasons Chinese customers would state for not visiting again. It seems like this is a problem that is not singular to Japan.

Our initial question was whether the environment of high-grade hospitality would affect both cultures equally. This study brought us closer to the answer. On the one hand, there is a possibility that Chinese customers did have high-grade hospitality and did not get equally satisfied with Westerners. In that case, it appears that the difference stems from a psychological placesource. Expectation leads to satisfaction, and a lack of expectation results in lesser satisfaction. On the other hand, there is also a possibility that Chinese customers are not receiving the highest grade of hospitality because of cultural friction between Japan and China.

It is unclear from our results which of these could be the case. One thing is clear for hotel managers, however. Competing in *Omotenashi omotenashi* does include language services, especially in the international tourism industry. Better multilingual support can only improve that already high standard in Japan. Considering that most of the tourists in Japan come from other countries in Asia, this is an endeavor that truly can bring benefits to their investment. Proposals for this endeavor include hiring Chinese speaking staff, preparing pamphlets in Chinese, or have a translator application readily available with staff trained in interacting through an electronic translator.

7.2 Managerial Hard vs. Environmental soft satisfaction factors

As we stated in section 3.23.2, previous research is focused mostly on internal or managerial attributes of the hotelthe hotel's soft attributes and their influence on customer satisfaction. Examples of managerial soft attributes include staff behavior, facilities, commodities, amenities, and appliances that can be improved within the hotel (e.g. Shanka and Taylor 2004; Choi and Chu 2001). However, external or environmental hard attributes, such as the location of the hotelhotel's location relative to public transport and shops, language immersion of the country, noise pollution, or weather, are not usually analyzed in satisfaction studies. Because our study left the satisfaction factors to be decided statistically via customers' online reviews, we can see in their priorities the importance of those environmental or managerial attributes hard or soft attributes in their priorities.

From Table ?? and appendix Tables ?? and ??Figure 5, we can see that in regards to satisfaction, 40% of keywords used by Chinese tourists are of an environmental nature (namely "transportation", "close", "subway", and "shopping"), while a lower 30% is managerial in nature (and an undefined 30%) Chinese customer satisfaction, in general, 68% of the top 10 keywords are hard factors. In contrast, only 20% are soft factors. The rates are similar for most price ranges, excepting the highest-priced hotels, where 35% of the keywords are undefined. However, the soft attributes are still similar at 18%. However, two of these managerial words are all concentrated at the top of the list ("big", "clean") 不错 (not bad)", "干净 (clean)"), plus the adjective pairs relating to soft attributes of "不错 (not bad)" which are at the top in most price ranges as well. Chinese tourists could expect spaciousness and cleanliness when coming to Japan. That expectation could be caused by reputation, previous experiences, or cultural backgrounds. Some scholars argue that different cultures have different room size perceptions -(Saulton et al. 2017). Although the study subjects are German and South Korean, the study presents the results as differences influenced by Asian and Western cultures. We argue that one country is not representative of others'—' cultures, so there can be differences between South Korea and China in room size perception. However, an interesting point appears. It could be that a different room size perception affects the satisfaction of Chinese tourists in contrast with Westerners. The dissatisfaction list for Western tourists could indicate that they perceive the rooms or bathtubs as small compared to Chinese tourists that praise them Westerners only start placing a priority on praising room size as the price of the hotel goes up. We can compare these results with previous literature, where traveling Chinese tourists choose their destination based on several factors, including cleanliness, nature, architecture, and scenery (Ryan and Mo 2001). These other few factors found in previous literature could be linked to the keyword "environment" as well环境 (environment or surroundings)" as well, which is present in hotels priced at more than 20,000 year per night.

In comparison, English speakers are mostly satisfied with managerial attributes of the hotel, with keywords such as "staff", "clean," "helpful," and "friendly,"

to name a fewthe hotel's soft attributes, if we observe Figure 6, where soft attributes are above 48% in all price ranges, the highest being 65% in the 15,000 to 20,000 yen per night price range. This price range corresponds to affordable business hotels, for example. English-speaking customers also have managerial soft attributes at the very top of their list, except for the environmental nature of the location of the hotelhard attribute that is the hotel's location, which is consistently around the middle of the top 10 lists for all price ranges. If one considers both Chinese and Western tourists—' satisfaction, a hotel can improve in ways that will attract more customers in the future. If it was the other way around, and the satisfaction was related more with environmental attributes overall hard attributes overall for 1020 both cultures, hotels would have to compete solely on their location.

For In general, for both customer groups, the main reason for dissatisfaction is pricing, which can be interpreted as a concern about value for money. However, it is interesting to note that while English-speaking customers complain about price with a lower rank in the list in lower-priced hotels. In contrast, the Chinese customers consistently have "价格 (price)" as a top or second-most concern across all price ranges. A paper studying Chinese tourists found that they had this concern (Truong and King 2009), but. However, our results indicate that in the case of Japanese hotels, this is less of a cultural attribute in the case of Japanese hotels and has more to do with the pricing of hotels overall. The tourists coming to Japan could be both experienced travelers or first-time travelers, but. However, the fact is that their expectation of the price for hotels was lower than what they found in Japan. In general, Japan is an expensive place to visit, which could impact impacting this placement in the ranking. Space is scarce in Japan, and capsule hotels with cramped spaces of 2 x 1 meters cost around 3,000 to 6,000 yen per night. Bigger business hotel rooms are relatively expensive, ranging from 5,000 to 12,000 yen per night. For comparison, hotels in the USA with a similar quality can be half the price.

Similarly, most Around half of the dissatisfaction is factors for both Chinese and Western customers are caused by issues that could be solved with improved management. This is true for all price ranges. Of course, this the improvements could be staff training (perhaps in language), hiring professional cleaning services for rooms with cigarette smoke smells, or improving the bedding, all of which can be costly. However, if hotels want to attract more customers, this paper provides a good guideline for which factors to consider first, and which ones will be best suited to which customer groups.

Now, a point of interest in this study is the difference in how managerial and environmental factors concern Chinese and Western tourists. We can see that for Chinese customers, while the top positive keyword is managerial, the size of a room is hardly modifiable once the hotel's construction is complete. The second keyword follows as a managerial factor as well. Except, this time, hotel management can readily improve the cleanliness of their hotel. The rest of the positive keywords, however, are either undefined or environmental. Once the each customer group. Hotels can use the price range categorization in order

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to choose the appropriate strategy as well. However, once the location and construction of the hotel are set for Chinese customers, not much else can be done to satisfy a Chinese tourist further. On the other hand, one can turn the dissatisfaction factors into satisfaction by focusing on those for improvement. them further. As mentioned before, Chinese language availability is another managerial soft attribute that can be improved with investment in staff and training investment.

Western tourists, on On the other hand, Western tourists are all around both satisfied and dissatisfied with mostly managerial factors of attributes, with a low of 35% in the highest price range where undefined factors are the majority, and 78% at most in the price range from 30,000 to 50% of the top 10 satisfaction factors and a 100% of the top 10 dissatisfaction factors coming from managerial attributes, 000 yen per night in a hotel. The room for improvement for Western tourists is more extensive than their Chinese counterparts, and as such, present. As such, it presents a bigger investment opportunity. As mentioned earlier in this paper, Westerners are known as "long-haul" customers, spending more than 45% of their budget on hotel lodging. On the other hand, their Asian counterparts only spend 25% of their budget on hotels (Choi and Chu 2000). With bigger returns on managerial improvements, it seems like we can recommend investing in improving attributes that dissatisfy Western customers, such as cleanliness and removing tobacco smell. Making more hotel facilities tobacco-free and deodorizing the rooms can be a low-cost investment that could increase returns many times over.

The However, the opposite argument could also be made , however, that Chinese customers provide a more significant number of customers, even though they tend to spend less on lodging. Attracting a large number of Chinese customers can be a viable strategy for hotels. However, as mentioned before, they tend to focus more on environmental hard attributes, leaving language barrier-breaking as one of the few strategies to accomplish this.

The basic premise of this study is that different cultures lead to different expectations and satisfaction factors. This premise also plays a role in the differentiation between the preference of managerial or environmental hard or soft attributes. Perhaps the cultural background of Chinese tourists emphasizes their surroundings and their place in nature and the environment. Chinese historical backgrounds of Confucianism, Taoism, and Buddhism permeate the thought processes of Chinese populations. However, scholars argue that the changes in generations and their economic and recent history gives less importance to these concepts in their lives . However (Gao et al. 2017).

Nevertheless, one could argue that there is a Chinese cultural attribute that emphasizes the environment and the place one is in towards satisfaction, rather than the way one is treated. According to previous research, Chinese tourists are collectivist, while Westerners are individualists (Kim and Lee 2000). A more anthropocentric and individualistic Western culture could result in more of their expectations and priorities be related to how one is treated in social circumstances, rather than the environment one is in.

7.3 Satisfaction across different price ranges

In previous sections of this paper, we have mentioned the differences reflected in hotel price ranges. Nevertheless, it is interesting to discuss this further. The most visible change in satisfaction factors across differently priced hotels is the change in language to describe their satisfaction with the same topics. We can know this by observing the adjective + noun pairs and finding pairs with different adjectives for the same nouns. For example, in English, words describing nouns such as "location" or "hotel" are "good" or "nice" in lower-priced hotels. In contrast, the adjectives that pair with the same nouns for more highly-priced hotels are "wonderful" and "excellent". In Chinese, the change goes from "不错 (not bad)" to "棒 (great)" or "赞 (awesome)". We can infer that the level of satisfaction is higher and that it influences how customers write their reviews. However, when we look at the negative keywords, the change is from "annoving" or "worst", to "disappointing". Here we can see how expectations influence satisfaction and dissatisfaction in different ways.

In this paper, we follow the definition of satisfaction by Hunt (1975), where it is the meeting or exceeding of expectations that produces satisfaction. Therefore, the lack of meeting expectations would cause dissatisfaction. In the cases above, we can infer that a customer that pays more for a higher class of experience has higher expectations. This is true in dissatisfaction, where their expectation is higher in a more expensive hotel. As such, any lack of cleanliness or, in the case of English-speaking customers in the 30,000 to 50,000 yen per night price range, the smell of cigarettes can lead to disappointment or outrage. However, we consistently see customers with high expectations for high-class hotels react even more positively when satisfied. In the positive case, expectations appear to be exceeded in most cases, judging their reactions. We argue that these are two different kinds of interactions with expectations. We can observe logical expectations. Customers set a standard in their mind that the service must not fall below or be disappointed — for example, a customer being disappointed with dirty rooms or cigarette smell.

In contrast, we can observe emotional expectations, where customers have a vague idea of having a positive experience. However, they do not measure it against any sort of standard. For example, having a nice customer service experience or being treated hospitably by the staff at a high-class hotel. Regardless of their knowledge beforehand of the service to be provided, positive emotions give them a perception of exceeded expectations, and thus a higher satisfaction. This is where *omotenashi* comes into play and enhances the experience of the customers.

There are interesting differences between Chinese and English-speaking tourists in their change in satisfaction factors to differently priced hotels. For example, we can observe that the Chinese tourists have "妈物 (shopping)" as a top keyword in all the price ranges. In contrast, English-speaking tourists only mention it as a top keyword in the 20,000 to 30,000 yen price range. It is common knowledge in Japan that Chinese tourists coming to Japan with the express intention of shopping are common. Tsujimoto (2017) analyzed the

souvenir purchasing behavior of Chinese tourists in Japan, and citing Agency (2014), shows that common products besides food and drink are electronics, cameras, cosmetics, medicine, among other more traditional souvenir items, such as objects representative of the culture or places they visit. There is an understanding that the fact that tourists choose to shop in Japan has more to do with the quality of the items rather than their relation to the touristic attractions. Our results suggest that Western tourists are engaging more in tourist attractions in comparison with shopping activities. Another interesting difference is that English-speaking tourists start using negative keywords about the hotel's price only after it concerns hotels of 15,000 yen or more, and it rises in its ranking the more expensive the hotel is. In contrast, Chinese customers have this keyword as their top keyword across all price ranges. Previous research suggests that value for money is a key concern for Chinese and Asian tourists (Choi and Chu 2000, 2001; Truong and King 2009), while Western customers are more concerned with hospitality (Kozak 2002).

While some aspects of satisfaction and dissatisfaction change depending on the price range the hotel is in, some other factors stay mostly constant for each culture's customers. For example, appreciation for staff from English-speaking tourists is ranked close to the top satisfaction factor in all the price ranges. Satisfaction for cleanliness by both cultures constantly stays part of the top 10 keywords, except for the most expensive one, where other keywords take its place in the ranking. However, it is still high on the list. Chinese tourists have a high ranking for the word "早餐 (breakfast)" across all price ranges as well. Transport and location, as discussed in section 6.5, are also important for hotels of all classes and prices. While the ranking of attributes might differ between price ranges, hard and soft attribute proportions also appear to be constant within at most a 13% margin of error per attribute, often being lower. This suggests that culturally the customers have a certain bias to consider some attributes more than others.

7.4 Implications for hotel managers

Our study presents two important conclusions: one about hospitality and cultural differences, and another about managerial decisions towards two different populations. As a whole, Chinese tourists are not experiencing the best that showing the most satisfaction towards *Omotenashihas to offer. omotenashi*. Instead, they focus on the hard attributes of a hotel. Either they do not get as much satisfaction from hospitality as Western tourists, or feel that basic language and communication needs are not being met, so they receive a lesser impression. On the other hand, Western tourists are elated with Japanese hospitality, preferring soft attributes that management can influence to hard-set ones. The other conclusion is that managerial decisions will mostly benefit Western tourists, except that Chinese language improvements and breakfast inclusion can satisfy more Chinese customers. Japan is recently seeing an in-

crease in Chinese students as well as Western students of universities. Hiring students as part-time workers could increase the language services of a hotel.

To satisfy both customer types, hotel managers need to invest in cleanliness, deodorizing, and making hotel rooms to bacco-free. It could also be recommended to invest in breakfast inclusion and multilingual services and staff preparedness to deal with Chinese and English speakers. Western tourists were also observed to have high standards in comfort comfort standards, which can be improved upon managerially for better reviews. Perhaps it could be suggested to perform surveys of the bedding that is most comfortable for Western tourists. However, not all hotels can invest in all of these factors simultaneously. Our results suggest that satisfying cleanliness needs can satisfy both customer typesand that a. A low-cost investment could be to make the facilities to bacco-free. Our results are also divided by price ranges, so a hotel manager can consider which analysis suits their hotel the most.

Environmental factors, while While not manageable after a hotel has finished its construction, hard attributes are essential to consider for managers as well. As previously stated, transport systems and nearby shops are points of interest for both Chinese and Western tourists. Japanese hotel managers have to consider the location and surroundings since before the hotel is constructed. A suggestion could be to purchase land and start the construction after public plans to make new subway lines are made.

It is left to the managers to consider their business model for the next strategy. One option could be attracting more Chinese customers in number with their observed low budgeting. Another could be attracting more high budget Western customers is on par with their business model. For example, investing more on cleanliness could improve on Western customers looking for high-quality lodging satisfaction, even though the price per night would increase. On the other hand, hotels might be considered costly by Chinese customers wherever such an investment is made.

8 Limitations and Future Work

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This paper is not without its limitations. We analyzed keywords of satisfaction and dissatisfaction statistically keywords based on whether they appeared on satisfied reviews or dissatisfied ones. Following that, we attempted to understand the context that these words were being used in by taking samples and observing them manually using a dependency parser and observing the related nouns. However, because of the large number of sentences in our data being analyzed, we could not perform a complete analysis of the context of these sentences across the database, study is limited in that it only analyzes the words directly related to each keyword and does not follow the upstream or downstream path down further connections. This means that if the words are used in combination with other keywords, we did not trace the effects of multiple contradicting statements. For example, in the sentence "The room

is good, but the food is lacking", we would extract "good food" and "lacking food", but do not consider the fact that both occurred in the same sentence.

This study analyzed the differences in customers' expectations at different levels of *omotenashi* by dividing our data into price ranges. However, in the same price range, for example, the highest one, we can find both a western-style five-star resort and a high-end Japanese-style *ryokan*. Services offered in these hotels are very high quality, although very different. However, most of our database is focused on the middle range priced hotels, which is comparably less varied in service, although still there is a divide between western and Japanese style hotels.

Another limitation is that a large portion of the Asian tourists coming to Japan is Taiwanese and Korean. We could not analyze these populations because our team members do not know those languages. Aside from that, further typology analysis could not be made because of the nature of the data collected , further typology analysis could not be made (for example, Chinese men and women of different ages or their Westerner counterparts).

In future work, we plan to investigate further into this topic. We plan to extend our data to research for different trends for different regions of Japan and in different kinds of hotels , as well as and between customers traveling alone or in groups, for fun or work. Another point of interest in the future of this studythis study's future is to use word clusters with similar meanings instead of single words.

9 Conclusion

In this study, our objective was to analyze the differences in satisfaction and dissatisfaction between Chinese and English-speaking customers of Japanese hotels. We particularly in the context of Japanese hospitality omotenashi. To answer our research questions 1a and 1b, we extracted keywords from their online reviews uploaded to the portal sites Ctrip and TripAdvisor using Shannon's entropy calculations. We used these keywords for sentiment classification via an SVC. We then measured the Rank-biased Overlap of the top 10 most frequently used keywords in satisfied and dissatisfied sentences to find the differences between Chinese and Western tourists, used dependency parsing and part of speech tagging to extract commonly found pairs of adjectives and nouns, as well as single words. We divided this data by sentiment and hotel price range, considering the most expensive room for one night.

In the context of Japanese hospitality, we found that Western tourists had the most satisfaction with staff behavior, confirming our hypothesis??cleanliness, and other attributes relating to the hotel's services and hospitality. However, we found that Chinese customers had other concerns than hospitality when studying their satisfaction. As such, our hypothesis?? is rejected. Since, more inclined to praise the room, location, or hotel's convenience. We found that both cultures have a different reaction to this environment of hospitality, our hypothesis?? is confirmed hospitality environment, and both cultures have

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a different way of reacting to different prices. From this, we discussed two possible theories on why Chinese tourists respond differently to Westerners in this environment of *Omotenashi omotenashi*. One theory is that they are not while they are being treated well enough, and this and react positively, the environment is not compatible with them because of language or culture barriers, which lessens their experience. The second possible theory is that they react differently to hospitality since they do not have the same expectations to be satisfied in the same way. We theorize that a lack of expectations could result in lessened satisfaction, even if the same service is presented. On the other hand, even when they hold high expectations in a highly-priced hotel, Western tourists show that Japanese hospitality exceeds their expectations, judging by the vocabulary they use for expressing their satisfaction. We consider that Western tourists are more reactive to *omotenashi* than their Chinese counterparts.

We obtained values ranging from 0.176 to 0.257 in satisfaction lists and from 0.128 to 0.176 in dissatisfaction lists at different cutoff points. These are low values ($RBO_{EXT} < 0.5$), so we can assert that the satisfaction and dissatisfaction factors of Chinese and English-speaking tourists are different, confirming our hypothesis ??. We then measured the similarity in ranking from the words that were common satisfaction or dissatisfaction factors for both Chinese and English speakers. We found that from the four words that were common amongst both groups ("clean", "recommend," "subway," and "price"). When these shared terms were isolated, both lists were almost identical at the cutoff point of 20 words. This resulted in an RBO ranging from 0.906 to 1.0. This means our hypothesis ?? is rejected ($RBO_{EXT} > 0.5$), and that the common ground within both customer groups is also similar in ranking.

Lastly, we measured the amount of satisfaction and dissatisfaction factorsthat were referring to managerial attributes of a hotelor environmental attributes of the hotel. Managerial attributes are those that they, referring to a hotel's hard and soft attributes. Soft attributes can be changed via managerial decisions without relocating by an improvement in services or small investments. On the other hand, environmental attributes are things like location, eloseness to shops, or public transport. We found that both are included in the satisfaction and dissatisfaction of both customer groups, confirming our hypothesis??. We also found that most of the Western customer satisfaction (50% of the top 10 words) and dissatisfaction (100% of the top 10 words) stems from managerial attributes hard attributes are elements that are impossible or highly impractical to change, such as the size of a room that has already been constructed, the location of a hotel, closeness to convenient spots or elements out of the control of the hotel .- managers. We found that for satisfaction, Western tourists favor soft attributes. In contrast, Chinese tourists are more interested in hard attributes of hotels, consistently across price ranges. For dissatisfaction, Western tourists are also highly inclined to criticize soft attributes, such as cleanliness or cigarette smell in rooms. In contrast, Chinese tourists' dissatisfaction comes evenly from both hard and soft attributes.

In contrast, environmental attributes only make for a smaller portion of the factors (40% of the top 10 satisfactionkeywords). In the case of Chinese eustomer satisfaction, the top of the list was managerial (30% of the top 10 words), and a more significant portion, although lower in its ranking, was environmental (40%). For Chinese customer dissatisfaction, however, 71.4% of the keywords were managerial, while the other 28.6% were environmental. We discussed how these distributions in managerial or environmental factors having priorities in either population could lead to different management strategies. One possible approach for hotel managers is to try to improve the satisfaction levels of Chinese tourists, who dedicate less percentage of their budget to hotels but are more abundant in number. They are less satisfied with managerial factors soft attributes but have an identifiable method of improving satisfaction by lessening language barriers and providing a satisfactory breakfast. Another approach we discussed was focusing on the cleanliness and comfort that Western tourists expect, as well as making the hotels tobaccofree. With this strategy, we We favor "long-haul" Western tourists who spend almost half of their budget on hotels with this strategy. While Westerners are less in number than Chinese tourists, it could prove to have more substantial returns. The reason for this being that This is because Chinese customers also favor cleanliness as a satisfaction factor, and both populations could be pleased. In this paper, we provide This paper provides results and discussion that can be utilized as a guideline for managerial decisions when considering Chinese and Western tourists in Japan, and we. We can observe their stark differences and shared attributes.

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