Status Report: IST 687

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Overview

- Data Structure
- Data Preparatory Work
- EDA
- Maps
- Machine Learning Logistic Regression
- Final Recommendation /Conclusion

Data (40,600,20)

- IsCanceled: Categorical Value indicating if the booking was canceled (1) or not (0)
- LeadTime: Integer, Number of days that elapsed between the entering date of the booking into and the arrival date
- StaysInWeekendNights: Integer, Number of weekend nights (Saturday or Sunday) the guest stayed or booked to stay at the hotel
- StaysInWeekNights: Integer, Number of week nights (Monday to Friday) the guest stayed or booked to stay at the hotel
- · Adults: Integer, Number of adults
- Children: Integer, Number of children
- · Babies: Integer, Number of babies
- Meal: Categorical, Type of meal booked. Categories are presented in standard hospitality meal packages: Undefined/SC – no meal package; BB – Bed & Breakfast; HB – Half board (breakfast and one other meal – usually dinner); FB – Full board (breakfast, lunch and dinner)
- Country: Categorical, Country of origin. Categories are represented in the ISO 3155– 3:2013 format
- MarketSegment: Categorical, Market segment designation. In categories, the term "TA" means "Travel Agents" and "TO" means "Tour Operators"
- IsRepeatedGuest: Categorical, Value indicating if the booking name was from a repeated guest (1) or not (0)
- PreviousCancellations: Integer, Number of previous bookings that were cancelled by the customer prior to the current booking

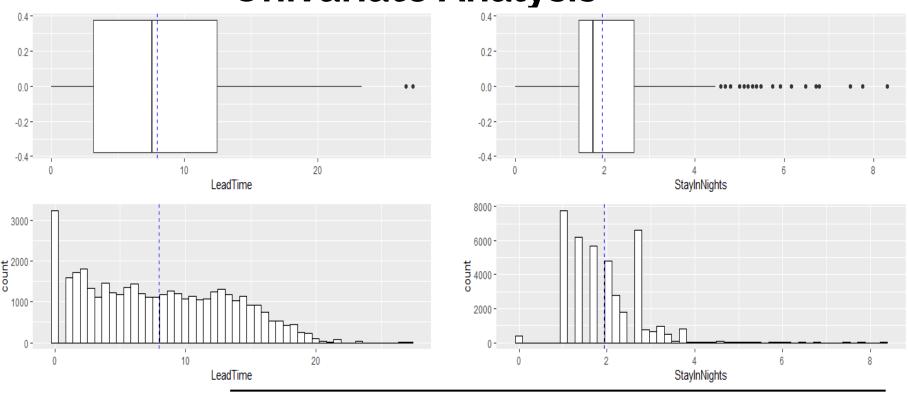
- PreviousBookingsNotCanceled: Integer, Number of previous bookings not cancelled by the customer prior to the current booking
- ReservedRoomType: Categorical, Code of room type reserved. Code is presented instead of designation for anonymity reasons
- AssignedRoomType: Categorical, Code for the type of room assigned to the booking. Sometimes the assigned room type differs from the reserved room type due to hotel operation reasons (e.g. overbooking) or by customer request. Code is presented instead of designation for anonymity reasons
- BookingChanges: Integer, Number of changes/amendments made to the booking from the moment the booking was entered on the PMS until the moment of check-in or cancellation
- **DepositType**: Categorical, Indication on if the customer made a deposit to guarantee the booking. This variable can assume three categories: No Deposit no deposit was made. Non Refund a deposit was made in the value of the total stay cost. Refundable a deposit was made with a value under the total cost of stay.
- CustomerType: Categorical, Type of booking, assuming one of four categories:
 Contract when the booking has an allotment or other type of contract associated to
 it; Group when the booking is associated to a group; Transient when the booking
 is not part of a group or contract, and is not associated to other transient booking;
 Transient-party when the booking is transient, but is associated to at least other
 transient booking
- RequiredCardParkingSpaces: Integer, Number of car parking spaces required by the customer
- TotalOfSpecialRequests: Integer, Number of special requests made by the customer (e.g. twin bed or high floor)

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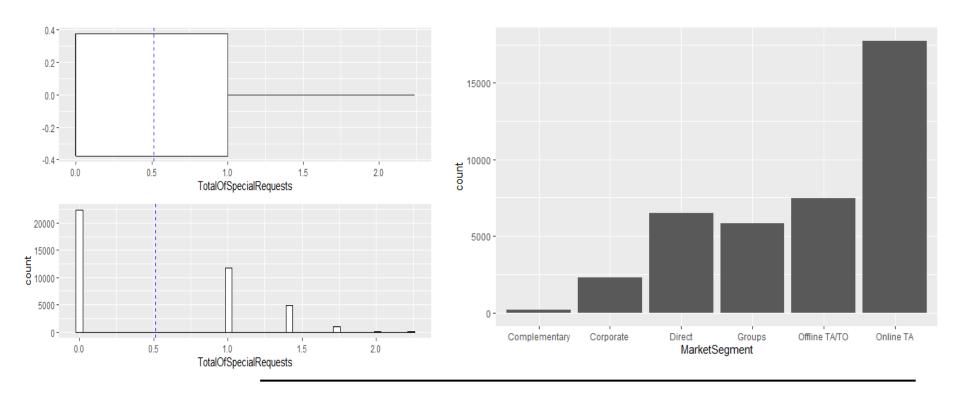
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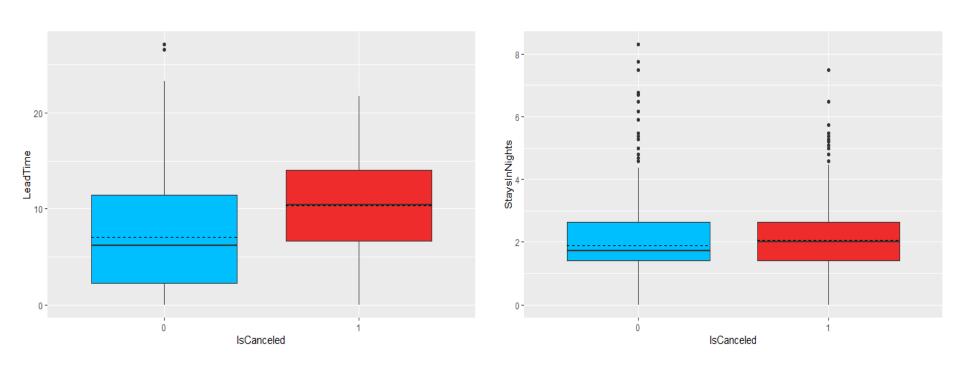
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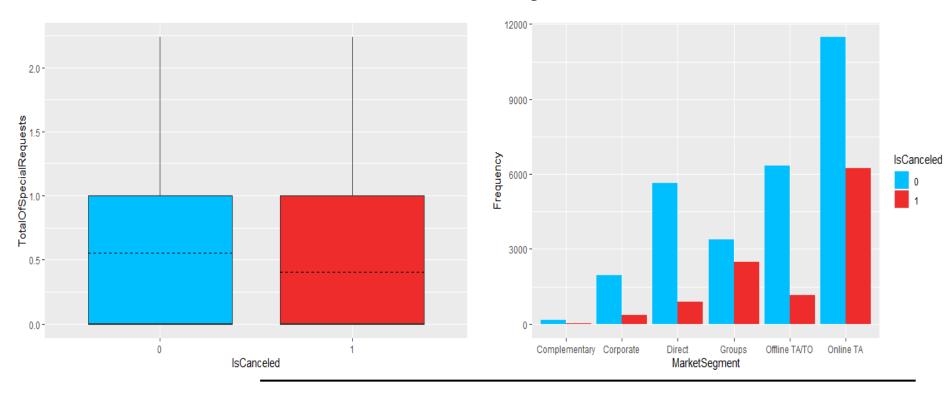
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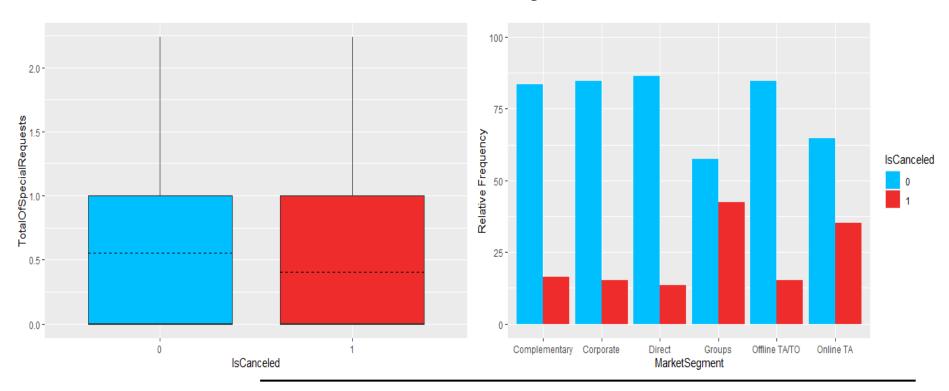


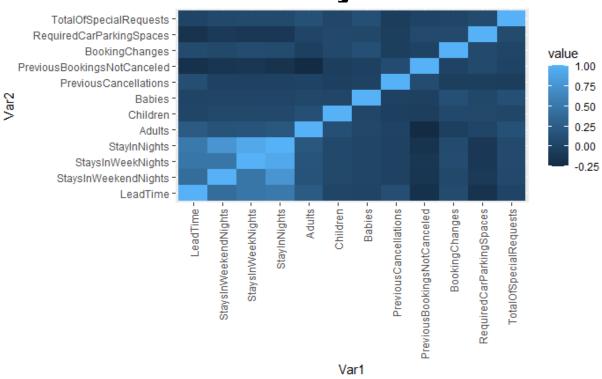
Univariate





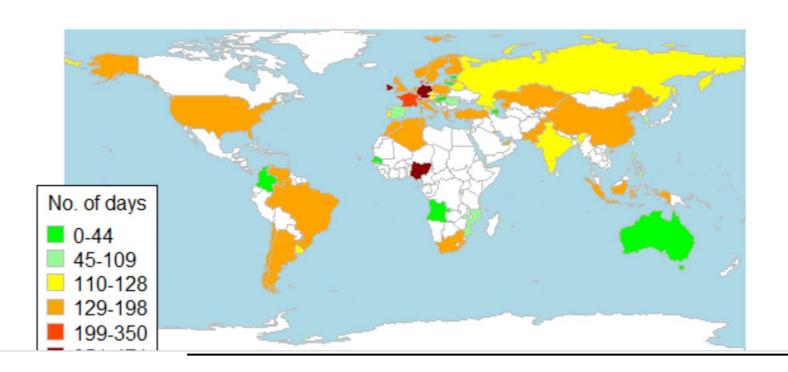




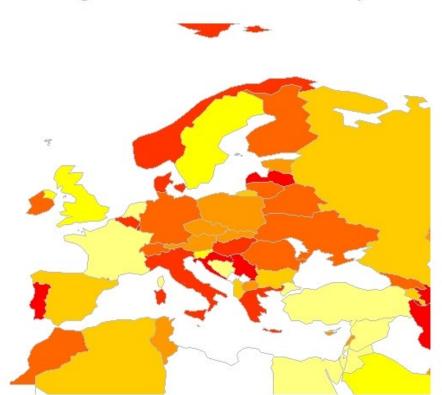


Maps

Map showing lead time for cancellations

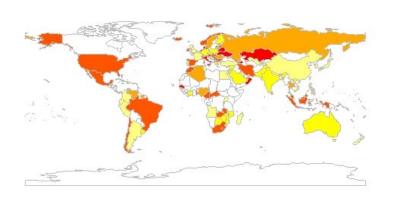


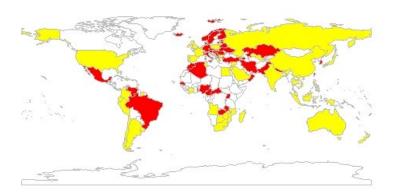
High LeadTime cancellations in Europe

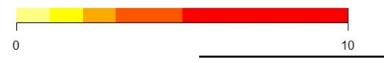


Stay In Week Nights

Stay In Weekend Nights

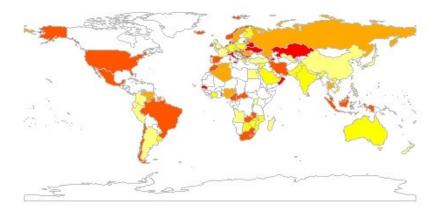








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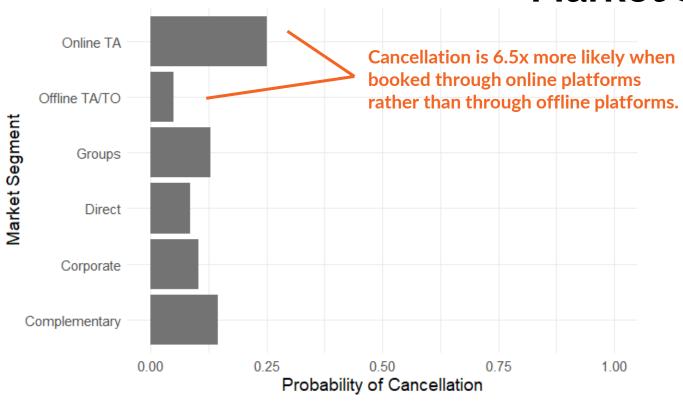


Machine Learning: Logistic Regression

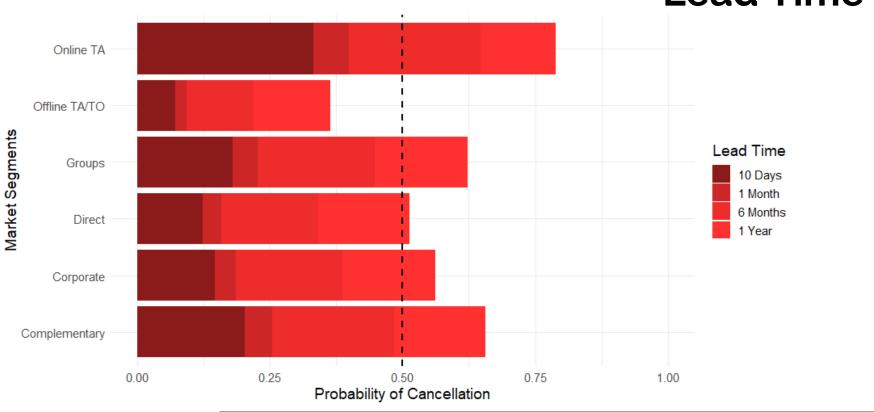
Logistic Regression

- Lead Time
- Overall Stays in Nights
- Total # of Special Requests
- Market Segment

Market Segment



Lead Time



Number of Nights Stayed

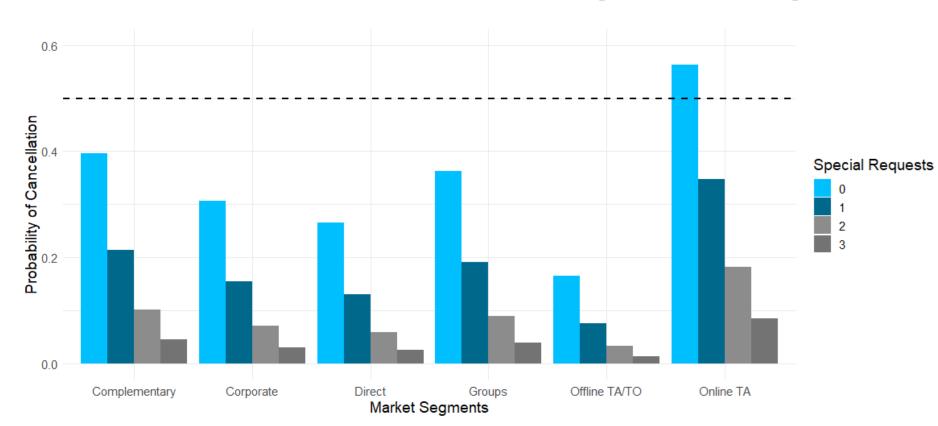
★ Every one more night booked to stay in a hotel (regardless of week day or weekend) increases the odds for cancellation by around 7%.

Total Number of Special Requests

★ Every additional special request by customers decreases the odds for cancellation by around 58%.

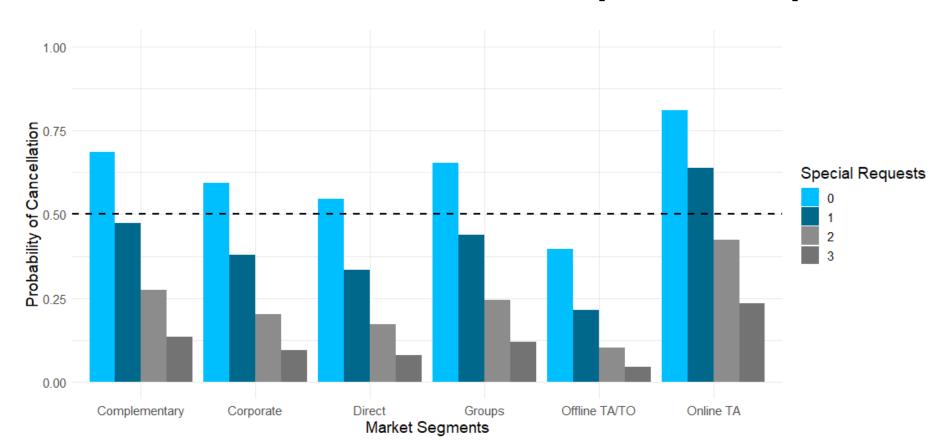
When Lead Time is on average; Stays in Night is on average.

Total Number of Special Requests



When Lead Time is a year; Stays in Night is on average.

Total Number of Special Requests



Conclusions

Cancellations are expected MORE:

→ When a hotel reservation is made through online platforms.

→ When *a year* has passed since the booking.

Cancellations are expected LESS:

→ With each **special request** made by customer.

Thank you!