Hackathon Task: Airbnb Data Analytics Dashboard

Objective

Participants will develop an **interactive dashboard** to analyze Airbnb rental trends, utilizing different descriptive functions and **group by** functionality to compare variations across different categories such as price, number of reviews, availability, and neighborhood. The goal is to provide **actionable insights** for hosts, travelers, or policymakers.

Dataset: Airbnb Listings (New York City)

The dataset contains details of Airbnb listings, including:

- Price
- Neighborhood
- **Room Type** (Entire home, Private room, Shared room)
- Number of Reviews
- Availability (days available per year)
- Host Listings Count (Total listings managed by a host)

Dataset Source

🗡 Kaggle - New York City Airbnb Open Data

https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/arianazmoudeh/airbnbopendata/data

Task Instructions for Participants

1. Data Exploration & Preparation

- Clean the dataset by handling missing values and outliers (e.g., unrealistic prices).
- Use the **group by** function to summarize key metrics:
 - Average price per neighborhood
 - o Number of reviews per room type
 - o Availability trends across boroughs
 - Host listing distribution (small vs. large-scale hosts)

2. Dashboard Development

Tools Allowed: You can use any tool you want (Tableau, Power BI, R shiny, Python (Dash/Streamlit), MS Excel etc)

- Create **interactive visualizations** showcasing price variations, demand trends, and room type distributions.
- Include **filters** (e.g., by neighborhood, price range, room type).
- Highlight outliers (e.g., luxury listings vs. budget-friendly options).
- Provide **comparative views**, such as:
 - o Price vs. Number of Reviews
 - Neighborhood-wise availability trends
 - Host activity (single vs. multi-listing hosts)

3. Key Insights & Recommendations

- Identify trends such as most profitable areas, room types with high demand, and seasonal availability shifts.
- Provide **business insights** for Airbnb hosts (e.g., pricing strategies based on neighborhood trends).
- Suggest data-driven recommendations for potential travelers, property investors, or local policymakers.

4. Presentation

- Each team will present their dashboard and findings (max 10 minutes).
- Explain methodology, key insights, and how the dashboard can be used for decisionmaking.