Hotel Bookings Cancellation Forecasting

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1. Introduction

1.1. Motivation:

The cancellation of hotel reservations places a substantial burden on the income and operational planning of the hospitality sector. In addition to improving the income stream by reducing the impact of cancellations, this also improves the guest experience by enabling hotels to dynamically modify their goods and services considering foreseen data. By constantly altering offerings based on predictive data, creating a predictive model for reservation cancellations can reduce financial consequences and simplify adaptive customer relationship management.

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1.2. Significance:

- **1.2.1. Financial Impact:** . By lowering the cost of cancellations, hotels are able to increase their overall financial stability and income streams.
- **1.2.2. Guest Experience:** . By proactively handling cancellations, services may be dynamically adjusted, improving the overall happiness and experience of the guest.
- **1.2.3. Operational Efficiency:** . Adaptive management techniques are made possible by predictive models, which simplify resource allocation and operational planning.

1.3. Objectives:

• Understanding and exploring the dataset. • Performing EDA and data- preprocessing. • Customizing Marketing

Plans Depending on the Source of Visitors by determining the most common countries of origin for visitors who choose to either maintain or cancel their bookings. • Analyzing cancellation trends unique to various hotel categories (city, resort etc.), this analysis seeks to shed light on the best ways to deploy resources for each one. • Determining how visits are distributed among various market sectors and the booking results that correspond with them. • Identifying trends and patterns in the cancelation rates across several years. • Finding Peak Visitor Periods to pinpoint and measure the month that sees the largest influx of tourists. • Examine the relationship that exists between the deposit types and the probability of cancellations. • Assessing the percentage distribution of meal reservations to determine the frequency of various meal options among visitors. • Calculating and examining how lead time variations affect the probability of cancellations. • Examining the variations in nightly prices across the year's several seasons. • Determining the trends and patterns in the percentage of cancellations for each kind of hotel during the various seasons. • Build ML models and training with dataset. • Comparing Accuracy, scores among various ML models.

1.4. Features:

To effectively forecast cancellations, the model will take into account a number of features, including:

Details of the reservation: dates, number of visitors, duration of stay, and other pertinent information. Booking requirements: A variety of elements, including deposit type and reservation technique. Probability Score: A probability score representing each reservation's likelihood of cancellation will be the result. The F1 score is used as the evaluation metric because it strikes the right mix between precision and recall, which is essential when false positives and false negatives have significant financial repercussions.

Performances of the developed models will be compared to the baseline to see if there is any discernible improvement in the selected metric.

1.5. Related Work

1.5.1. Proposed Methods:. Utilise ML models like Decision Trees and Random Forest followed by taking into account their potency in handling categorical data and resilience to outliers.

This project sets out to create a predictive framework in an effort to lessen the financial and operational effects of cancellations of hotel reservations. It goes through stages of thorough data preparation, strong model construction, and tactical deployment. To ensure a perfect dataset suitable for model training, missing values, outliers, and categorical data are first managed during the data processing step. We then enter a model development stage, which entails not only building predictive models but also meticulously tuning hyperparameters and ensuring model generalizability through rigorous cross-validation. Here, we employ models like Decision Trees and Random Forest, renowned for their interpretability and efficacy in various data scenarios.

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2. Dataset

2.1. Dataset Description:

The dataset contains necessary booking information, such as the dates of the reservation, the number of guests, the duration of the stay, the kind of deposit, and the method of the reservation (such as direct or through a travel agency or operator).

We have selected our dataset from Kaggle.

Link: https://www.kaggle.com/code/sanjana08/hotel-booking-cancellation-prediction/input

We have taken a dataset to check hotel demand data. A resort hotel (H1) and a city hotel (H2) are the two types of hotels are considered in this dataset. The structure of the dataset has 32 variables accounting for the 119210 observations. Every observation is a hotel reservation. Dataset has reservations that were scheduled to arrive between July 1, 2015, and August 31, 2017, including reservations that actually arrived and reservations that were cancelled. Since this is actual hotel data, all information related to guest or hotel identification has been removed. These dataset can play a significant role in revenue research and teaching due to the dearth of genuine company data for scientific and pedagogical reasons.

- **Hotel:** Indicates the kind of hotel (such as a resort or city hotel).
- **Is Cancelled:** denotes the status of the booking—zero (0) or one (1).
- Lead Time: the period of days from the date of booking to the date of arrival.
- Arrival Date: Contains the day of the month, week number, year, and month.
- Length of Stay: Total number of weeknights and weekend nights spent.
- Information on the guests: Total number of adults, kids, and infants.
- Meal Type: The type of meal that was reserved e.g., Half Board, Bed and Breakfast.Country: Country of origin of the guests.
- Market Segment and Distribution Channel: Direct, Corporate, and other market segments are examples of the distribution channels used by Booking.
- **Repeated Guest:** This field denotes if a guest has been here before (1) or not (0).
- **Previous Cancellations:** The total number of times a visitor has cancelled a reservation.
- Previous Bookings Not Cancelled: The total number of prior reservations that the visitor did not cancel.
- Assigned and Reserved Room Type: Classification of rooms that have been both assigned and reserved.
- Booking Changes: Total amount of modifications made to the reservation.
- **Deposit Type:** The kind of deposit made (such as Refundable or No Deposit).
- **Agent/Company:** The identification of the travel agency or firm that booked the reservation.
- Days on Waiting List: The duration of time the reservation was placed on the waiting list.
- Customer Type: Describes the kind of customer (e.g., Contract, Transient).
- Average Daily Rate (ADR): The price each night on average.
- Required Car Parking places: The quantity of places needed for parking cars.
- Total Special Requests: The total amount of the visitor's special requests.
- **Reservation Status:** The present state of the reservation (such as Cancelled or Checked out).
- Reservation Status Date: The time the previous status was established.

This dataset, covers a variety of hotel booking-related topics such as guest demographics, booking specifics, and stay preferences, is well-organized and thorough. Customer behaviour, revenue management, and hotel management analysis may all benefit from this data.

2.2. Data Overview:

Dimensions: The dataset consists of 119,390 rows (entries) and 32 columns (features).

Type of Data:

- Numerical Columns : 'lead_time', 'stays_in_ weekend_ nights', 'adults', 'children', 'babies', 'previous_cancellations', 'adr', etc.
- Categorical Columns: 'hotel', 'arrival_date_month', 'meal', 'country', 'market_segment', 'deposit_type', 'customer_type', etc.
- Mixed: Some columns contain both numerical and categorical data, like 'agent' and 'company'.

Data Types of the attributes:

- The object data type makes up—12 columns—and is often used to represent texts or categorical data.
- The data type int64, which has 16 columns, represents integer values.
- The data type float64, which normally represents decimal numbers, is used in 4 columns.

2.3. Quantitative Variables:

- lead_time: The duration, which varies from 0 to 737 days, between the booking and arrival dates is around 104 days on average . date of arrival, week number: From 1 to 53, the average week number of arrivals each year is around 27.17.
- arrival_date_day_of month: From 1 to 31, the average day of the month of arrival is around 15.80.
- stays_in_weekend_nights: Visitors spend an average of 0.93 weekend nights here, however some remain for up to 19 nights.
- stays_in_week _nights: Visitors stay anywhere from 0 to 50 week nights, with an average of 2.5 week nights.
- adults: The range of adult reservations is 0 to 55, with an average of 1.86 adults per booking.
- **children:** There are typically 0 children per reservation, with a maximum of 10 children in some reservations.
- **babies:** With a maximum of 10 babies in certain reservations, the average number of babies per booking is 0 babies.
- **previous_cancellations:** Guests have cancelled 0.09 times on average in the past, with some having cancelled up to 26 times.
- previous_bookings_not_canceled: Guests have, on average, not cancelled 0.14 reservations in the past; some guests have up to 72 reservations that they haven't cancelled.
- **booking_changes:** Reservations are altered 0.22 times on average, and occasionally they are altered up to 21 times.
- days_in_waiting_list: Reservations are typically kept on the waiting list for 2.32 days, but occasionally they are kept on for 391 days.
- Adr: The average daily rate is around 101.83, with values ranging from 5400 to -6.38 (which may represent inaccuracies or exceptional situations).
- required_car_parking_spaces: Guests typically need 0.06 parking spaces, while some reservations call for up to 8 spots.
- total_of_special requests: Guests typically make 0.57 special requests, while some have been known to make as many as five.

The Average Daily Rate, or ADR, has a minimum value of -6.38, which indicates negative rates. This observation raises an oddity.

To determine whether there was a data entry error or whether this was a unique instance, we would look into the records with negative ADR values. We would think about deleting or updating these items if it is shown to be a mistake.

adults: It appears that reservations without any adults are possible because the minimum value for the 'adults' feature is 0. we would review entries that show 0 adults to determine whether there was a data entry error or whether there were legitimate reasons why bookings without adults couldn't be made. We may choose to edit or clean these submissions based on the results.

children and babies: It appears that the maximum value of 10 for a single booking for "children" and "babies" is abnormally high. we would look at entries containing ten infants or children to see if there are any possible outliers or data input issues. To decide how best to address certain circumstances, further context or domain expertise could be required. In light of this, 23 would think about authenticating or cleansing these entries.

Categorical Variables:

hotel: Out of 119,390 entries, "City Hotel" is the most often occurring category with 79,330 occurrences. And other one is "Resort Hotel"

Cancelled: There are two distinct values: 0 for not cancelled and 1 for cancelled. With 75,166 occurrences, "0" (not cancelled) is the most frequent value.

arrival_date_year: Of the three distinct years seen, 2016 is the most frequent arrival year with 56,707 observations.

entry_date_month: There are twelve distinct months. With 13,877 observations, August is the most frequent month of arrival.

meal: Five distinct meal options are reserved. "BB" is the most prevalent kind, with 92,310 observations.

country: There are 178 distinct nations of origin. With 48,590 observations, "PRT" (Portugal) is the most often observed nation.

market_segment: There are eight distinct market segments. With 56,477 views, the section "Online TA" is the most often seen.

distribution_channel: Out of the five distinct booking distribution channels, "TA/TO" is the most commonly seen, with 97,870 observations.

is_repeated_guest: There are two distinct values: 0 for not repeated and 1 for repeated. The most common value, found in the majority of entries, is "0" (not repeated).

Types of reserved and allocated rooms: There are several kinds of rooms, some more common than others.

deposit_type: Deposits come in three different varieties. With 104,641 observations, "No Deposit" is the most prevalent kind.

agent: '9.0' is the most common agent, appearing 31,961 times, out of 334 distinct agents.

company: Of the 353 distinct firms, the most common is 'nan' (missing values), appearing 112,593 times. This shows a significant percentage of missing entries in the 'company' field.

reservation_status: There are three different possible reservation statuses. With 75,166 observations, "Check-Out" is the most prevalent status.

date of reservation_status: 926 distinct values are present, with '2015-10-21' being the most frequent with 1,461 occurrences.

3. DETAIL DESIGN OF FEATURES:

Creating a machine learning model that can reliably anticipate hotel booking cancellations while taking into account a variety of booking parameters is the main technological challenge. Finding out if a model like this can support proactive management practises in the hotel sector is the aim.

Basic Features:

Utilize existing columns such as lead_time, arrival_date_year, arrival_date_month, stays_in_weekend_nights, stays_in_week_nights, adults, children, babies, country, market _segment, previous_cancellations, previous_bookings_not_canceled, required_car_parking_spaces, total_of_special_requests, and adr.

3.1. Depending attributes:

- **Booking Duration:** The sum of stays_in_weeknights and stays_in_weeknights to determine the overall length of stay.
- Cancellation Rate: If a returning visitor, the cancellation rate in the past for that guest.
- Seasonality attributes: Using arrival_date_month and arrival_date_year as a basis, extract attributes such as peak season, holiday season, etc.
- Change in Room kind: Whether the kind of room that was reserved and the type that was allocated differed.
- Encoding Categorical data: Use methods like One-Hot Encoding or Label Encoding to convert categorical data into numerical representations, such as nation, market_segment, meal, and customer_type.

Managing Missing entries: In columns such as agent, firm, nation, and children, replace or omit missing entries.

Standardisation and normalisation are important steps in many machine learning models that involve bringing numerical features to a common scale.

To achieve standardisation in the context of cancelled hotel reservations, numerical characteristics are transformed to have a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1. As a result, all features are guaranteed to be on a same scale, avoiding the occurrence of specific variables that, because of their intrinsic scale disparities, would dominate the model training process. For example, standardisation would provide uniformity to the scale for features such as Average

Daily Rate (ADR), enabling the model to train with the proper weight assigned to each feature.

In contrast, normalisation entails scaling numerical properties to a predetermined range, frequently between 0 and 1. This is especially important when making a hotel reservation because there may be a range of characteristics, such as the number of people, kids, and infants. Normalising these characteristics strengthens the model's resistance to the varying magnitudes, which enhances convergence when training. The 'number of children' feature, for instance, is normalised to guarantee that its influence on the cancellation forecast is commensurate with other normalised data.

3.2. Measures of evaluation:

- Accuracy: A measure of the model's overall accuracy.
- When it comes to forecasting cancellations, precision and recall are very crucial; we want to reduce the number of false positives and false negatives.
- **ROC-AUC:** To comprehend how the true positive rate and false positive rate are traded off.
- Cross-validation: To make sure the model is resilient and to avoid overfitting, use k-fold cross-validation.

4. ANALYSIS:

- Data Collection: Get the dataset of hotel reservations.
- **Preprocessing of Data: o Cleaning:** Take care of missing values and get rid of repetitions.
- Feature Engineering: o Modify category variables and produce new features.
- o Standardization/Normalization: Align numerical attributes.
- o Analysing exploratory data (EDA): Recognise relationships, find outliers, and comprehend the distribution of the data. See important data visually to learn more about booking and cancellation trends.
- o Feature Choice: Determine which attributes are pertinent by using EDA and domain expertise. If required, reduce the number of dimensions (e.g., by applying PCA).
- Model Construction: o Divide the data into sets for testing and training.
- o First, train your models (Random Forest, Decision Trees, and Logistic Regression).
- o Determine which model is the best by evaluating its early performance.

• Model Improvement:

- o Develop sophisticated models (such as Neural Networks and XGBoost).
 - o Analyse feature relevance and adjust hyperparameters.
 - o Use cross-validation to increase resilience

5. IMPLEMENTATION:

Data preparing: In accordance with the intended feature set, we will be cleaning and preparing the dataset. This entails fixing problems such cases with zero adults and

negative Average Daily Rates (ADR) in order to prepare the dataset for efficient model training.

Model Validation and Training: Using the preprocessed dataset, we will train the chosen models. I'll carefully evaluate the models' performance on unknown data by utilising either a hold-out set or cross-validation to validate the models and guarantee their resilience.

Performance Evaluation: In order to determine which model performs the best, we need to compare the models using the selected metrics. This entails a careful assessment of the models' predictive accuracy for hotel booking cancellations, taking into account precision, recall, or F1 score.

Model Refinement: we will spearhead the work to improve the model in light of the evaluation's findings. To improve the model's predictive power, this might entail changing the model's architecture or updating its hyperparameters.

6. Preliminary Results:

6.1. Initially loading the libraries:



Figure 1. loading the libraries

6.2. Reading the dataset, hotel_bookings.csv file :

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|---|------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------|
|) | hotel | is_canceled | lead_time | arrival_date_year | arrival_date_month | arrival_date_week_number | arrival_date_day_of_month | stays |
| | Resort Hotel | 0 | 342 | 2015 | July | 27 | 1 | |
| | 1 Resort Hotel | 0 | 737 | 2015 | July | 27 | 1 | |
| | 2 Resort Hotel | 0 | 7 | 2015 | July | 27 | 1 | |
| | 3 Resort Hotel | 0 | 13 | 2015 | July | 27 | 1 | |
| | 4 Resort Hotel | 0 | 14 | 2015 | July | 27 | 1 | |

Figure 2. by using the read_csv,loaded the dataset

6.3. Understanding the Dataframe

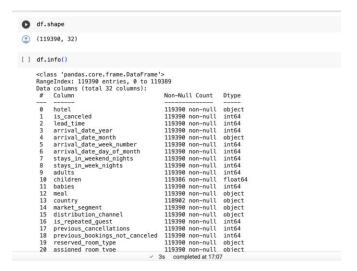


Figure 3. Finding out the number of columns and rows: We have 119390 rows and 32 columns. We used shape and info attributes to get details about the dataset. Describe function is used to know the statistical summary of the dataset from numerical variables:

6.4. Statiscal understanding of numerical columns:

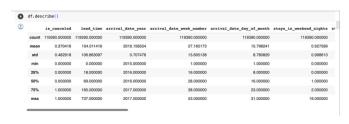


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6.5. Finding out if there are any null values:

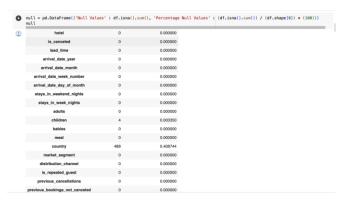


Figure 5. It is clear from above, we have null values in few columns, agent, company and country. Missing values: The column children has 4 missing values. The column country has 488 missing values

| reserved_room_type | 0 | 0.000000 |
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| assigned_room_type | 0 | 0.000000 |
| booking_changes | 0 | 0.000000 |
| deposit_type | 0 | 0.000000 |
| agent | 16340 | 13.686238 |
| company | 112593 | 94.306893 |
| days_in_waiting_list | 0 | 0.000000 |
| customer_type | 0 | 0.000000 |
| adr | 0 | 0.000000 |
| required_car_parking_spaces | 0 | 0.000000 |
| total_of_special_requests | 0 | 0.000000 |
| reservation_status | 0 | 0.000000 |
| reservation_status_date | 0 | 0.000000 |
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Figure 6. The column agent has 16,340 missing values. The column company has a significant number of missing values, totaling 112,593

6.6. Determining the most common countries of origin for visitors:

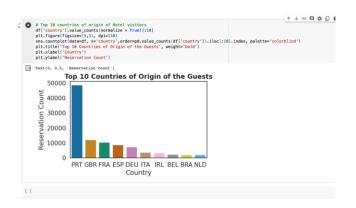


Figure 7. Out of the visitors for the hotels in 2015,2016,2017, most visitors are from PRT followed by GBR.

6.7. Analysing cancellation trends unique to various hotel categories:

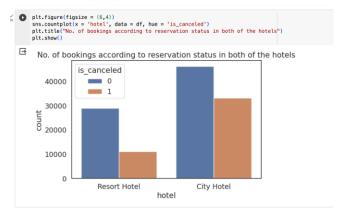


Figure 8. We have most bookings for city hotel compared to resort type hotel. The number of bookings that are cancelled for city hotel are 33102, and not cancelled are 46228, where as for the Resort hotel are 28938, and cancelled are 11122.

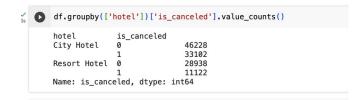


Figure 9. Count of bookings done with and without cancellations hotel wise

6.8. Determining how visits are distributed among various market sectors:

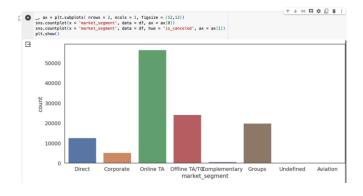
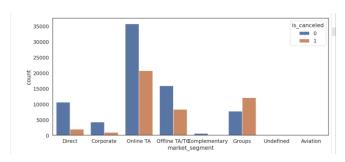


Figure 10. Online TA occupies the top market sector for hotel booking followed by offline TA and least being complementary.



6.9. Identifying trends and patterns in the cancellation rates across several years:



Cancellation rates have remain almost consistent in all 3 years around 35-36%.

6.10. Finding Peak Visitor Periods to pinpoint and measure the month that sees the largest influx of tourists:

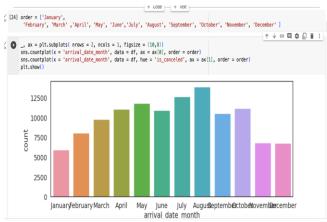
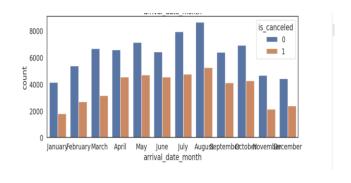
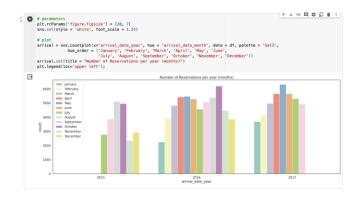


Figure 11. From graph, it is clear we have most visitors In August followed by July, May, and April.

6.11. Count of bookings divided by cancelled and not cancelled:

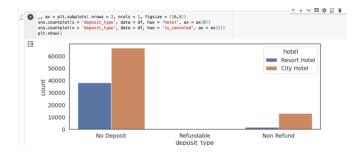


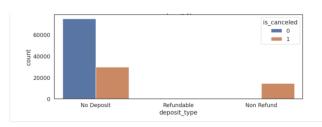
6.12. Bookings based on month and year Wise:



6.13. Examining the relationship that exists between the deposit types and the probability of cancellations:

6.14. Assessing the percentage distribution of meal reservations to determine the frequency of various meal options among visitors:





Deposit type has 3 categories - No Deposit, refundable, Non Refund Either customers have opted for no deposit or non refundable deposits.

Maybe refundable deposit type is not offered by the hotels. All of the non refund bookings have been cancelled in our dataset. That might prove important feature based on how many such bookings are part of cancelled bookings.

No hotel has refundable deposit type.

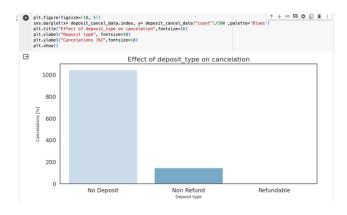


Figure 12. NO Deposit is more cancellation, let's show it in visualization 99% of people how No deposit have canceled their hotel bookings

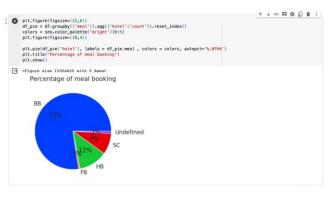
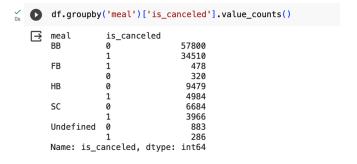
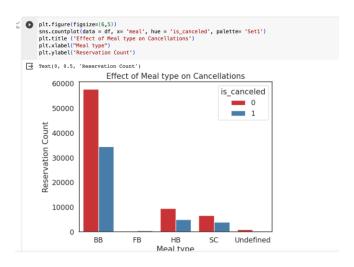


Figure 13. most of the visitors prefer bed & breakfast (BB) followed by full board (FB), half board (HB) and self cater (SC)

6.15. Meal type effect on Cancellations:





6.16. Calculating and examining how lead time variations affect the probability of cancellations:



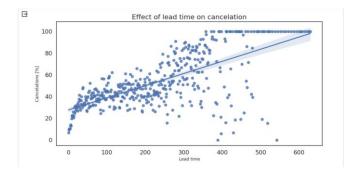


Figure 14. Bookings made a few days before the arrival date are rarely canceled, whereas bookings made over one year in advance are canceled very often.

6.17. Examining the variations in nightly prices across the year's several seasons:

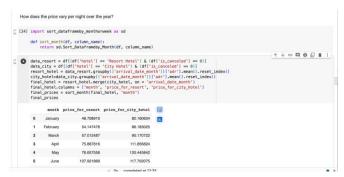
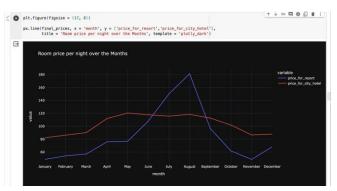


Figure 15. Seasonal Variation: Rates for city and resort hotels typically fluctuate throughout the year, with noticeable hikes in the months that see the highest volume of tourism. August is the month with the highest costs, showing that this is the busiest time of year for resort hotels. November had the lowest prices, indicating a period of less demand. City Hotel Rates: City hotels have yearly rates that are largely consistent. There is a minor price rise in August, maybe as a result of more demand.

6.18. Month wise room price in visualization





Total Cancellations Of the bookings in the dataset, 44,224 have been cancelled in total, or 37% of all bookings. This shows a sizable percentage of cancellations, highlighting how crucial it is for the hotel sector to comprehend and handle cancellations.

Refunds according to Hotel Type:

Resort Hotel: Of all the reservations made, the Resort Hotel had 11,122 cancellations, or 28% of the total. This implies that, in comparison to the entire dataset, Resort Hotels have a comparatively lower cancellation rate.

City Hotel: In contrast, the City Hotel saw a larger percentage of cancellations—33,102, or 42% of all reservations—than any other hotel. This suggests that reservations for City Hotels are more erratic, which might be impacted by things like last-minute travel or business travel. The City Hotel has a greater cancellation rate than the Resort Hotel. This might be because reservations for city destinations—such as business trips—are different from those for resort destinations—such as leisure holidays. Given that resort hotels have comparatively lower cancellation rates, travellers who book these kinds of lodgings may have more flexible schedules or longer booking windows.

6.19. Determine the trends and patterns in the percentage of cancellations for each kind of hotel during the various seasons

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### Create a DateFrame with the relevant data:

res_book_per_month = df.loc([df]"nett"] == "Resport Note(")].agrouply("arrival_date_month") ("bote(").count() res_care(_ber_month = df.loc([df]"nett"]) == "Resport Note(")].grouply("arrival_date_month")("is_canceled").sun() res_care(_ber_month = df.loc([df]"nett"]) == "City Note(").grouply("arrival_date_month")("is_canceled").sun() res_cancel_data = pd.dateFrame(("note(") == City Note(").grouply("arrival_date_month")("is_cancel_date, "note(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").grouply(").groupl
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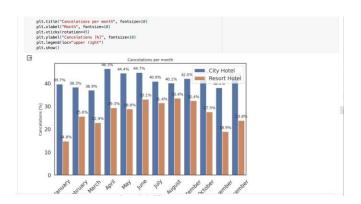


Figure 16. From graph, it is clear that highest cancellations are in April followed by June and may.

6.20. Cleaning the data from above understandings:

```
# Rename the columns to be more readable
    df.rename(columns={'adr': 'average_daily_rate'},inplace=True)
    df.head()

# drop company column which is personal for user
    df.drop(['name', 'email', 'phone-number', 'credit_card'], axis=1, inplace=True)

# Impute missing values in 'children' column with 0
    df['children'] = df['children'].fillna(0)

[] # Analyze noisy data
    noisy_data = {
        'average_daily_rate': df[df['average_daily_rate'] < 0],
        'adults': df[df['adults'] == 0],
        'babies': df[df['abies'] == 10],
    }

noisy_data_count = {key: len(value) for key, value in noisy_data.items()}
    noisy_data_count
{'average_daily_rate': 1, 'adults': 403, 'children': 1, 'babies': 1}</pre>
```



Findings from the Target Variable (is_canceled) Feature Correlation: Strong Positive Correlations:

- · lead_time (0.293): The chance of cancellation and lead time have a moderately positive association. This implies that the likelihood of a cancellation tends to grow along with the lead time, or the number of days from the date of booking to the arrival.
- total_of_special requests (0.235): A moderately positive correlation suggests that there is a positive link between

the number of special requests and the chance of not cancelling.

• required_car_parking_spaces (0.196):Bookings that include a necessity for car parking spaces are a little more likely to be cancelled, according to the moderately positive correlation.

Weak Positive Correlations:

- **booking_changes (0.145):** According to this weak positive correlation, there is a marginally greater chance of cancellation for every rise in booking changes.
- previous_cancellations (0.110): A weakly positive correlation suggests that there is a somewhat higher chance of cancellations in the future if there has been a history of cancellations.

Weak Negative Correlations:

- **is_repeated_guest (0.084):** This correlation indicates that there is a minor reduction in the likelihood of cancellation for repeated visitors.
- **agent (0.084):** A somewhat negative correlation suggests that reservations booked via an agent have a marginally lower chance of being cancelled.
- adults (0.059): Bookings with more adults appear to have a somewhat lower chance of being cancelled, according to a weak negative association. Additional factors like newborns, stays in weekend nights, company, arrival date year, arrival date week number, arrival date day of month, prior reservations not cancelled, days in waiting list, and average daily rate have weak correlations. Now lets drop few columns which we don't have much correlation with the is cancelled.

6.21. Defining a dataframe which will have categorical columns:

| 0 | | # dropping columns that are not useful useless_col = ['days_in_waiting_list', 'arrival_date_year', 'assigned_room_type', 'booking_changes', 'reservatiom_tatus', 'country', 'days_in_waiting_list', 'apent', 'company') | | | | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-------------|-----------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| | <pre>df.drop(useless_col, axis = 1, inplace = True)</pre> | | | | | | | | | |
| [] | [] df.head() | | | | | | | | | |
| | | hotel | is_canceled | lead_time | arrival_date_month | arrival_date_week_number | arrival_date_day_of_month | stays_in_weekend_nights | | |
| | 0 | Resort Hotel | 0 | 342 | July | 27 | 1 | 0 | | |
| | 1 | Resort Hotel | 0 | 737 | July | 27 | 1 | 0 | | |
| | 2 | Resort Hotel | 0 | 7 | July | 27 | 1 | 0 | | |
| | 3 | Resort Hotel | 0 | 13 | July | 27 | 1 | 0 | | |
| | 4 | Resort Hotel | 0 | 14 | July | 27 | 1 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

Figure 17. Defining a dataframe which will have categorical columns



Figure 18. We need encode the categorical variables, which is useful for the model creation and analysis:



Figure 19. categorical values

6.22. Splitting the data for Training and Testing



Figure 20. Splitting the data for Training and Testing

6.23. Model Creation

6.23.1. Logistic Regression.

Logistic Regression

```
Ir = LogisticRegression()
Ir.fit(X_train, y_train)

y_pred_Ir = Ir.predict(X_test)

acc_lr = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_lr)
conf = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_lr)
confusion_matrix(s = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_lr)
clf_report = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_lr, output_dict=True)
report = pd.Bataframe(clf_report)
weighted_avg_fl_score_lr = clf_report['weighted avg']['fl-score']
print(f"Accuracy Score of Logistic Regression is : {acc_lr}")
print(f"Classification Report : \n(conf\)")
print(f"Classification Report : \n(conf\)")
#print(f"Classification Report : \n(conf\)")
#print(f"Classification Report : \n(conf\)")
print(f"Classification Report : \n(conf\)")
#print(f"Classification Report : \n(conf\)")
#pr
```

Figure 21. The Logistic Regression model's accuracy score is around 81.1%, meaning that for roughly 81.1% of the test set's instances, the model accurately predicted the target variable. True Positives (TP): 7,732 cases were accurately classified as class 1 in the confusion matrix. True Negatives (TN): 21,200 cases were classified as class 0 with accuracy. False Positives (FP): 1,243 cases were misclassified as class 1 in error. False Negatives (FN): 5,521 cases were misclassified as class 0 in error. F1-score, recall, and precision: Precision: Class 1 has a precision of 0.86, meaning that 86% of the time the model predicts class 1 correctly. Recall (Sensitivity): Class 1 has a recall of 0.58, meaning that 58% of the real instances of class 1 were caught by the model. f1-score: A weighted average F1-score of 0.80 strikes a balance between recall and accuracy. It offers a general indicator of the model's effectiveness across all classes.

6.23.2. KNN.

```
knn = KNeighborsClassifier()
knn.fit(X_train, y_train)

y_pred_knn = knn.predict(X_test)

acc_knn = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_knn)
conf = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_knn)
confusion_matrics = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_knn)
clf_report = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_knn, output_dict=True)
report = pd.DataFrame(clf_report)
weighted_avg_fl_score_knn = clf_report['weighted avg']['fl-score']
print(f"Accuracy Score of KNN is : (acc_knn)")
print(f"Confusion Matrix : \n(conf)")
print(f"Classification Report : \n(conf)")
print(f"Classification Report : \n(conf)")
print(f"Fl-score:", weighted_avg_fl_score_knn)
```

Figure 22. The KNN model's accuracy score is around 86.3%, meaning that for roughly 86.3% of the test set's instances, the model successfully predicted the target variable. This is a useful place to start when assessing the model's overall effectiveness. Confusion Matrix: The confusion matrix gives a thorough explanation of what forecasts were right and wrong. True Positives (TP): 9,769 cases had class 1 predictions made accurately. True Negatives (TN): 21,034 cases were classified as class 0 with accuracy. False Positives (FP): 1,409 cases were misclassified as class 1 in error. False Negatives (FN): 3,484 cases were misclassified as class 0 in error. F1-score, recall, and precision: Precision: Class 1 accuracy is 0.87, meaning that 87% of the time the model is right when it predicts class 1. Recall (Sensitivity): Class 1 has a recall of 0.74, meaning that 74% of real class 1 occurrences were caught by the model. F1-score: A weighted average F1-score of 0.86 strikes a balance between recall and accuracy

6.23.3. Decision Tree Classifier:.

```
dtc = DecisionTreeClassifier()
 dtc.fit(X_train, y_train)
y pred dtc = dtc.predict(X test)
 acc_dtc = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_dtc)
conf = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_dtc)
confusion_matrics = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_dtc)
 clf_report = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_dtc, output_dict=True)
report = pd.DataFrame(clf report)
weighted_avg_f1_score_dt = clf_report['weighted avg']['f1-score']
print(f"Accuracy Score of Decision Tree is : {acc_dtc}")
print(f"Confusion Matrix : \n{conf}")
print(f"Classification Report : \n{confusion_matrics}")
print("F1-score:", weighted_avg_f1_score_dt)
Accuracy Score of Decision Tree is: 0.952459659345585
Confusion Matrix
[[21667 873]
    824 1233211
Classification Report :
                             recall f1-score
               precision
                                                  support
                                                    22540
                                          0.94
     accuracy
                                          0 95
                                                    35696
    macro avg
weighted avg
                     0.95
                                0.95
                                          0.95
                                                    35696
F1-score: 0.9524779782382977
```

Figure 23. Here, Precision is 0.96 for class 0 and 0.93 for class 1. (Sensitivity) Recall is 0.96 for class 0 and 0.94 for class 1. For both courses, the weighted average F1-score is almost 0.9525. In the given dataset, support is the total number of real instances of the class. It is 22540 for class 0 and 13156 for class 1.F1-Score Weighted Average: 0.9524779782382977 This represents the weighted average of the F1-scores for the two classes, accounting for the unequal distribution of class sizes. It is roughly 0.9525, suggesting that recall and precision are generally well-balanced. Overall, it appears that your Decision Tree model is working well, exhibiting high accuracy and a balance between precision and recall.

6.23.4. Random Forest Classifier

The accuracy score of the model is around 95.66%. precision is 0.94 for class 0 and 0.99 for class 1. sensi-

```
rd clf = RandomForestClassifier()
     rd_clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
     v pred rd clf = rd clf.predict(X test)
     acc_rd_clf = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_rd_clf)
    conf = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_rd_clf)
confusion_matrics = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_rd_clf)
     clf_report = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_rd_clf, output_dict=True)
     report = pd.DataFrame(clf report)
     weighted_avg_f1_score_rf = clf_report['weighted avg']['f1-score']
     print(f"Accuracy Score of Random Forest is : {acc_rd_clf}")
     print(f"Confusion Matrix : \n{conf}")
     print(f"Classification Report : \n{confusion matrics}")
     print("F1-score:", weighted_avg_f1_score_rf)
Accuracy Score of Random Forest is : 0.9565777678171223
     Confusion Matrix
[[22393 147]
      [ 1403 11753]]
    Classification Report :
                                 recall f1-score
                   precision
                                                     support
                                                        13156
                                              0.94
         accuracy
                                              0.96
                                                        35696
    weighted avg
                        0.96
                                   0.96
                                              0.96
                                                        35696
    F1-score: 0.9560779483904223
```

tivity 0.89 for class 1 and 0.99 for class 0. The weighted average of accuracy and recall is known as the F1-score. When there is an imbalance in the courses, this statistic is helpful. For both groups, the weighted average F1_score is almost 0.9561. Support: In the given dataset, support is the total number of real instances of the class. It is 22540 for class 0 and 13156 for class 1. F1_Score Weighted Average: 0.9560779483904223

6.23.5. XgBoost Classifier

```
xgb = XGBClassifier(booster = 'gbtree', learning_rate = 0.1, max_depth = 5, n_estimators = 180)
xgb.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred_xgb = xgb.predict(X_test)

acc_xgb = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_xgb)
conf = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_xgb)
confusion_matrics = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_xgb)
confusion_matrics = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_xgb, output_dict=True)
report = pd.DataFrame(cif_report)
weighted_awg_fl_score_yg = cif_report('weighted_awg')['fl-score']

print(f*Cancuracy Score of XG Boost Classifier is (acc_xgb)")
print(f*Confusion Matrix : \( \( \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \) \( \)
```

Figure 24.

With an accuracy score of 0.9854605558045719, the model's accuracy is around 98.55%. precision is 0.98 for class 0 and 1.00 for class 1. Recall is 1.00 for class 0 and 0.96 for class 1. F1-Result: For both courses, the weighted

average F1-score is around 0.9854. In the given dataset, support is the total number of real instances of the class. It is 22540 for class 0 and 13156 for class 1. F1-Score Weighted Average: 0.9854024494594184, this represents the weighted average of the F1-scores for the two classes, accounting for the unequal distribution of class sizes. It is around 0.9854, which shows that recall and accuracy are generally well balanced. All things considered, our XGBoost Classifier model works quite well, scoring highly in accuracy while maintaining a balance between precision and recall.

6.23.6. Cat Boost Classifier

```
cat = CatBoostClassifier(iterations=100)
                    cat.fit(X_train, y_train)
                   acc_cat = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_cat)
conf = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_cat)
confusion_matrics = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_cat)
clf_report = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_cat, output_dict=True)
                     report = pd.DataFrame(clf_report)
weighted_avg_f1_score_cb = clf_report['weighted avg']['f1-score']
                                                                                                       total: 1.25
                                        learn: 0.1532297
                                                                                                                                               remaining: 9.75
remaining: 9.57s
                                      learn: 0.1532297
learn: 0.1458047
learn: 0.1357746
learn: 0.1357746
learn: 0.1241890
learn: 0.1191344
learn: 0.1157997
learn: 0.1099612
learn: 0.1030575
learn: 0.908982
                                                                                                     total: 1.3s
total: 1.43s
total: 1.53s
total: 1.62s
total: 1.76s
total: 1.87s
total: 2.01s
total: 2.15s
total: 2.29s
                                                                                                                                             remaining: 9.57s
remaining: 9.58s
remaining: 9.38s
remaining: 9.19s
remaining: 9.19s
remaining: 9.14s
remaining: 9.18s
remaining: 9.17s
                                                                                                                                               remaining: 9.16s
                                                                                                       total: 2.36s
                                                                                                                                               remaining: 8.89s
                                       learn: 0.0943404
learn: 0.0943404
learn: 0.0903572
learn: 0.0872668
learn: 0.0850585
learn: 0.0804339
learn: 0.0778052
learn: 0.0756512
                    21:
                                                                                                      total: 2.48s
total: 2.55s
                                                                                                                                               remaining: 8.79s
                                                                                                                                               remaining: 8.54s
                                                                                                       total: 2.66s
                                                                                                                                                remaining: 8.42s
                                                                                                       total: 2.79s
                                                                                                                                               remaining: 8.27s
remaining: 8.21s
remaining: 8.12s
```

Figure 25.

```
print(f"Accuracy Score of CatBoost Classifier is : {acc_cat}")
    print(f"Confusion Matrix : \n{conf}")
    print(f"Classification Report : \n{confusion_matrics}")
    print("F1-score:", weighted_avg_f1_score_cb)
Accuracy Score of CatBoost Classifier is : 0.9967503361721202
    Confusion Matrix
    [[22528
              121
        104 1305211
    Classification Repo
                               recall f1-score
                  precision
                                                 support
        accuracy
                                                     35696
    macro avg
weighted avg
                       1.00
    F1-score: 0.996747944237477
```

Figure 26.

Figure 25,26. At around 99.68%, the CatBoost Classifier attained an extraordinarily high accuracy. Class 0: Perfect predictions are indicated by precision, recall, and F1-score of 1.00. For class 1, recall is somewhat below 1.00 (99.09%) but still represents excellent performance, with precision and F1-score of 1.00. The weighted and macro averages are both 1.00, demonstrating the outstanding overall performance of the model. F1-Score Weighted Average: 0.996747944237477.The model's robustness is further supported by the weighted average F1-score, which is a very high value of around 99.67% and a balanced indicator of precision and recall.All things considered, the excellent scores obtained for the CatBoost Classifier indicate that it is incredibly accurate and precise in predicting cancellations of hotel reservations. The model appears to work really well with the dataset that was supplied.

6.24. F1 - Scores for all the models



With a strong F1-score, the Random Forest model demonstrates its ability to manage the trade-off between recall and accuracy. While it works well, in this particular scenario CatBoost and XGBoost exceed it.

Classifier using Decision Trees: F1-Rank: 0.952478 The Decision Tree model has a competitive F1-score, indicating good performance. It appears to be marginally less efficient than previous one's.

KNN: F1-Rank: 0.892386 In comparison to tree-based models Here, ranking of the model performance is provided by the F1-scores, where CatBoost is at the top, followed by XGBoost, Random Forest, Decision Tree, KNN, and Logistic Regression.

CatBoost:

F1-Score: 0.996748 With the greatest F1-score of all the models, CatBoost exhibits a superb trade-off between recall and accuracy. It implies more accuracy in anticipating both favorable and unfavorable events.

XGBoost: F1-Score: 0.985402 With a high F1-score, XGBoost likewise performs admirably, but little worse than CatBoost. It shows excellent categorization task performance with a well-balanced accuracy and recall.

The Random Forest Classifier F1-Rank: 0.956078 KNN (K-Nearest Neighbors) has a lower F1-score, indicating that it might not generalize to this particular dataset as well. The kind of data typically determines how successful KNN is.

The Logistic Regression Model F1-Rank: 0.800077 Out of all the models given, Logistic Regression has the lowest F1-score. Even though it's a potentially very strong algorithm, it might not be able to identify intricate links in the data as well as ensemble approaches like XGBoost and CatBoost.

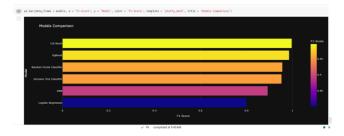


Figure 27.

7. Cross Validation Using SPSS:

The processed data from pandas is exported as csv and imported into SPSS. Then split the data as 20% test data and 80% train data. Build linear regression model and from Pearson Correlation value of 0.578 for 20% sample (Testing) and 0.573 for 80% Sample (Training). So, the values are almost same. Hence, we can conclude that our model is neither underfitting nor overfitting.

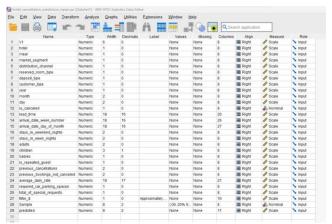
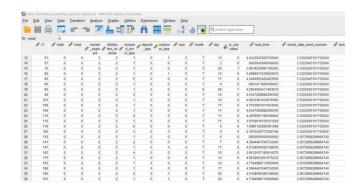
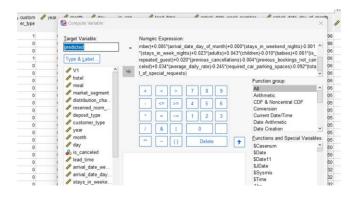


Figure 28,29 and 30: Inputs of SPSS.





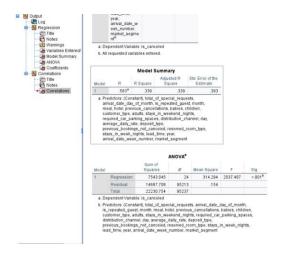


Figure 31: Output of SPSS.

| Correlations | | | | | | |
|--------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------|--|--|
| Sample | | | is_canceled | predicted | | |
| + | is_canceled | Pearson Correlation | 1 | .33 | | |
| | | Sig. (2-tailed) | | .463 | | |
| | | N | 7 | 1 | | |
| | predicted | Pearson Correlation | .335 | | | |
| | | Sig. (2-tailed) | .463 | | | |
| | N | 7 | | | | |
| 20% Sample | is_canceled | Pearson Correlation | 1 | .578 | | |
| | | Sig. (2-tailed) | | <.00 | | |
| | | N | 23747 | 2374 | | |
| | predicted | Pearson Correlation | .578** | | | |
| | | Sig. (2-tailed) | <.001 | | | |
| | | N | 23747 | 2374 | | |
| 80% Sample | is_canceled | Pearson Correlation | 1 | .573 | | |
| | | Sig. (2-tailed) | | <.00 | | |
| | | N | 95231 | 9523 | | |
| | predicted | Pearson Correlation | .573 | | | |
| | | Sig. (2-tailed) | <.001 | | | |
| | | N | 95231 | 9523 | | |

Figure 32: Output of correlations.

8. Concerns:

Even we got a promising results, there are many concerns about this system. The main concern about the data set is it is not capturing all the influencing factors that affect the cancellations of the hotel. There are null values and handling these null values is more complex part. The relationship between the hotel and the cancellations of the hotels by the guests, capturing these are very important and their should be continuous retraining of the models as the data changes time to time. The overfitting of the models is one of the challenging part in this project as it impacts the outliers for the predictions.

9. Conclusion:

This project gives the predictions about the cancellations for the two hotels. Here we have used multiple ML models

such as Logistic Regression, catboost, KNN, XGboost, Decision Tree, Random Forest. We have done the exploratory data analysis where we have analysed different sectors which impacts the hotel booking cancellation forecasting, first of all we have removed the null values. We have categories the guest based on different countries. We have determine our guest based on various market sectors and we have also categories the guess who booked our hotels like from online off-line or through other third-party sites etc, we have categories according to the month in which month the cancellations are more. Based on all these factors we have visualised, we have analysed and then we have built a ML models, we have used different algorithms like Logistic Regression, catboost, KNN, XGboost, Decision Tree, Random Forest. Here we got highest accuracy for catboost model with 99%. By all these above EDA and models, we got a valuable insights, which are influencing the cancellations of hotel bookings. We have compared all the models. Here we have also used SPSS for predicting the hotel booking cancellations. The target variable is predicted where it predicts whether the booking is cancelled or not. We are also having the model summary and we have used Anova. We have also got the correlations. Here we have taken sample size as 20% and 80% and we have calculated the correlations. We have also got the unstandardised coefficient and standardised coefficient, standard error significance. This predictive system will be like a framework or a system where we can help hotel management to increase the experience of the hotel. We can optimise the operations in the hotels and how to improve the system and the facilities provided by the hotels.

10. Implementation status report:

10.1. Work completed:

- Dataset understanding All 4
- Dataset preprocessing Numitha 50, Ketha 50
- EDA Analsysis Sheela 50 Yamuna 50
- Understanding the Correlation All 4 teammates equally
- Model Creation Logistic Regression Numitha ketha equally
- KNN Sheela Yamuna equally
- cat boost sheela
- XG boost Numitha
- Decision Tree classifier Ketha
- Random forest classifier Yamuna
- Model Comparision and Evaluation Ketha
- SPSS Yamuna
- Report All teammates contribuited

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