Project 8: SQL + ML Integration

Objective:

Combine **SQL querying power** with **Machine Learning models** to analyze attrition risk.

This project demonstrates how HR teams can query their employee database directly and run pron-the-fly, bridging People Analytics with HRIS-like systems.

Why It Matters:

- HR data often lives in databases (HRIS, payroll systems).
- Analysts should be able to run queries and pipe results into ML models.
- This integration makes predictive attrition analytics more practical in enterprise contexts.



This project demonstrated how SQL queries can be seamlessly combined with Machine Learning to run real-time attrition predictions.

Key Takeaways:

- Database Integration: HR data stored in SQL (SQLite) was queried directly inside Python.
- Leakage Prevention: Attrition labels were properly excluded from inference data.
- Predictions: Logistic/XGBoost models predicted attrition risk per employee.
- Visuals:
 - Donut Chart → At Risk vs Safe employees.
 - Department-level bar chart → attrition distribution across functions.
 - Probability distribution → highlights prediction spread & threshold sensitivity.
- Threshold Optimization: Added adaptive cutoffs to balance risk prediction and reduce false

Artifacts Produced:

- hr dataset.db → SQLite database with IBM HR data (table = employees).
- SQL utility module → sql utils.py for safe querying & reusable functions.
- Visual charts (saved in /charts/):
 - donut chart.png
 - department attrition.png
 - probability distribution.png
- Notebook → with integrated SQL + ML pipeline.

Business Value:

- HR leaders can query directly for attrition insights without touching Python code.
- Predictive analytics embedded into HRIS-like SQL workflows.
- Foundation for real dashboards (Streamlit / BI tools) where HR managers can pull SQL → predictions → export reports.

✓ Created C:\Users\amlanmishra2\data\hr_dataset.db with table 'employees' (1 rows).

Setup & DB Creation

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Quick Database Check

Tables: [('employees',)]

Helper Function Run Query Sample Queries

 Out [5]:
 Department
 total
 left_count

 0
 Research & Development
 9 6 1
 1 3 3

 1
 Sales
 4 4 6
 9 2

Human Resources

ML Integration & Visualization

Dropped 'Attrition' column from inference data to avoid leakage.

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Prediction Debug

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Probability range: 0.0 to 1.0

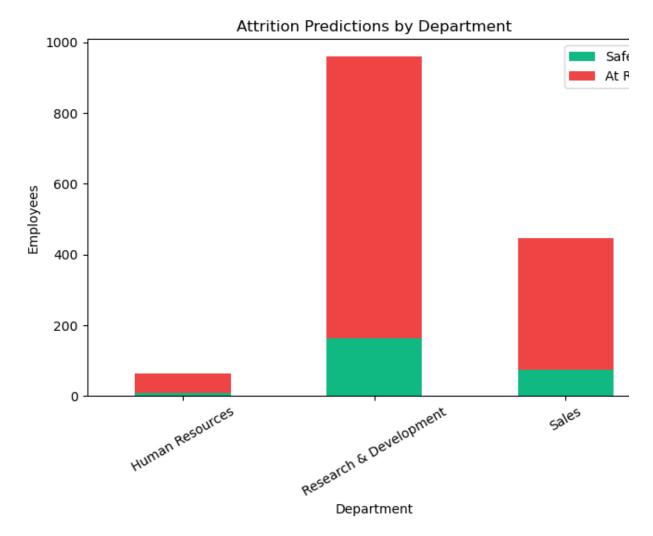
Sample stats: [0.46418643 0.7870295 0.95263028 0.95263028 0.96479201]

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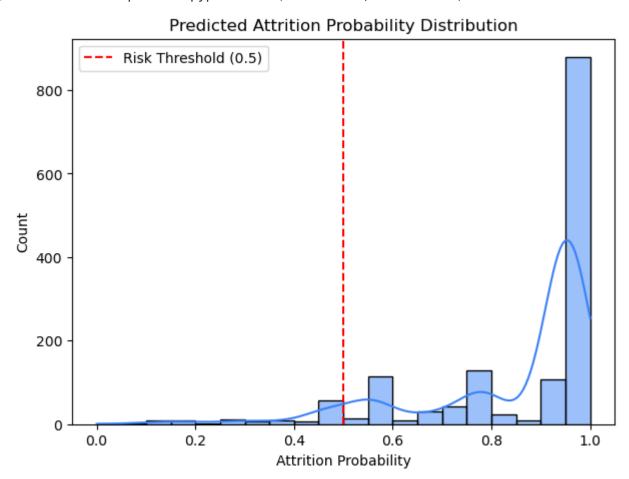
Using threshold 0.65 → At Risk: 1223, Safe: 247

At Risk vs Safe (Predictions from SQL data)





Out[9]: <function matplotlib.pyplot.show(close=None, block=None)>



- Exported artifacts:
 Predictions CSV → data\Attrition_SQL_Predictions.csv
 Charts → images/sql_pred_donut.png, images/sql_pred_dept.png