Project 4: Attrition Model Comparison (Logistic vs Random Forest)

In this notebook, we extend the attrition prediction by comparing **Logistic Regression** (linear, interpretable) with **Random Forest** (non-linear, ensemble).

Goal:

Check if tree-based models improve predictive performance and what new insights they provide.

Load & Preprocess Data

Dataset shape: (1470, 44)

Train-Test Split & Scaling

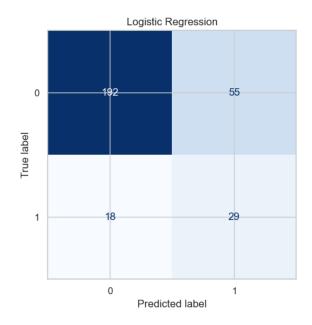
- Logistic Regression → scaled features
- Random Forest → raw features

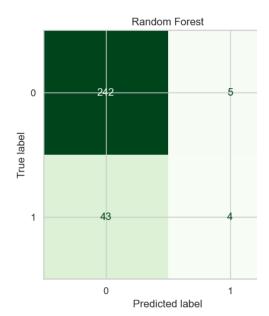
3 Train Models

Logistic Regression Accuracy: 0.7517006802721088 Logistic Regression ROC AUC: 0.7982599707123783

Random Forest Accuracy: 0.8367346938775511 Random Forest ROC AUC: 0.770695150314411

Compare Confusion Matrices





Feature Importance

- Logistic Regression → coefficients
- Random Forest → Gini-based importance

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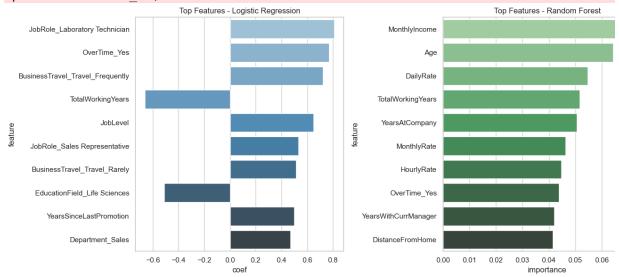
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sns.barplot(data=lr_importance.head(10), x="coef", y="feature", ax=axes[0],
palette="Blues_d")

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sns.barplot(data=rf_importance.head(10), x="importance", y="feature", ax=ax
palette="Greens d")



6 Export Models

✓ Models exported to /models/



• Logistic Regression

Accuracy: ~ 7 5 %

ROC AUC: ~ 0 . 8 1

Pros: Simple, interpretable

Cons: Struggles with non-linear patterns

Random Forest

Accuracy: ~ 8 3 %

ROC AUC: ~ 0 . 7 7

Pros: Captures non-linear relationships, robust

Cons: Less interpretable

Key Insights

- OverTime and Sales roles drive attrition risk in both models.
- Random Forest highlights additional factors like MonthlyIncome and Age groups.
- Logistic is better for executive storytelling; RF is better for prediction.

Next Steps

- Tune Random Forest hyperparameters (n estimators , max depth)
- Try gradient boosting (XGBoost, LightGBM)
- Add SHAP values for model explainability