- Project Title: (Finance Domain) Utilizing Machine Learning to Forecast the Probability of Successfully Collecting Debts by Analyzing Statute-Barred Status
- Problem Statement: In the realm of debt collection, the ability to discern which accounts are statute-barred—thus potentially unrecoverable—holds immense significance. This project endeavors to develop a sophisticated machine-learning model aimed at accurately predicting the probability of successfully collecting debts by meticulously examining the statute-barred status of each account. Given a dataset encompassing a multitude of attributes including original creditor information, account IDs, current balances, purchase dates, and a wealth of other pertinent features, the objective is to construct a predictive model that excels in identifying accounts where the statute barred status may influence the likelihood of debt retrieval. The focal point of this endeavor centers on the IsStatBarred field 'Y' status, which serves as the pivotal target variable for classification.
- DataSet Description : Dataset has 406424 rows and 22 columns Column Descriptions are as follow:
- 1. EntityID: Unique identifier for each entry.
- 2. OriginalCreditor[Redacted]: Name of the original creditor, with sensitive information redacted.
- 3. AccountID: Unique identifier for the account.
- 4. Current Balance: The current balance of the account.
- 5. DebtLoadPrincipal: The principal amount of the debt load.
- 6. BalanceAtDebtLoad: The balance at the time of debt load.
- 7. PurchasePrice: The price at which the debt was purchased.
- 8. ProductOrDebtType: Type of product or debt.
- 9. CollectionStatus: Status of the debt collection
- 10. Closure Reason: Reason for closing the account.
- 11. InBankruptcy: Indicates if the account is involved in bankruptcy.
- 12. AccountInsolvencyType: Type of insolvency related to the account.
- 13. CustomerInsolvencyType: Type of insolvency related to the customer.
- 14. IsLegal: Indicates if legal action has been taken.
- 15. LastPaymentAmount: Amount of the last payment made.
- 16. LastPaymentMethod: Method used for the last payment.
- 17. NumLiableParties: Number of liable parties associated with the account.
- 18. CustomerAge: Age of the customer.
- 19. NumPhones: Number of phone contacts associated with the customer.
- 20. NumEmails: Number of email contacts associated with the customer.
- 21. NumAddresses: Number of addresses associated with the customer.
- 22. IsStatBarred: Indicates if the debt is statute-barred.

```
# Import necessary libraries
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
```

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, GridSearchCV
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, LabelEncoder
from imblearn.over_sampling import SMOTE
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier,
GradientBoostingClassifier, AdaBoostClassifier, VotingClassifier,
StackingClassifier
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.svm import SVC
from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, classification_report,
roc_auc_score, confusion_matrix
from sklearn.impute import KNNImputer
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
```

- Pandas & Numpy: Used for data manipulation and numerical operations.
- Seaborn & Matplotlib: For creating various plots and visualizations.
- Scikit-learn: For machine learning algorithms and utilities like splitting data, scaling, encoding, and more.
- Imbalanced-learn (imblearn): For handling class imbalance using SMOTE (Synthetic Minority Over-sampling Technique).
- Ensemble models: RandomForestClassifier GradientBoostingClassifier, AdaBoostClassifier, VotingClassifier, and StackingClassifier are ensemble techniques that improve model performance by combining multiple models.
- Metrics: For evaluating models using accuracy, classification report, ROC AUC score, and confusion matrix.

```
# Unzipping the dataset
import zipfile
zip = zipfile.ZipFile('/content/Company_x.csv.zip')
zip.extractall('/content')
zip.close()
# Load the dataset
df1 = pd.read_csv('Company_x.csv')
<ipython-input-3-6aae554987b2>:2: DtypeWarning: Columns (11) have
mixed types. Specify dtype option on import or set low_memory=False.
    df1 = pd.read_csv('Company_x.csv')
```

Since Data set is big to save the execution time we will work on 20% of the data

```
# Selecting 20% of data to work on

df = dfl.sample(frac=0.2)
df.head()
{"type":"dataframe","variable_name":"df"}
```

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```
# Dataset Shape
print("Dataset Shape:", df.shape)
Dataset Shape: (81285, 25)
# General Info
print("Data Info:")
print(df.info())
Data Info:
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Index: 81285 entries, 251668 to 215037
Data columns (total 25 columns):
#
     Column
                                 Non-Null Count
                                                  Dtype
 0
     EntityID
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  int64
 1
     OriginalCreditor[Redacted]
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  object
 2
     AccountID
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  int64
 3
     CurrentBalance
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  object
 4
     DebtLoadPrincipal
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  object
 5
     Balanaceatdebt load
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  object
 6
     PurchasePrice
                                 80762 non-null
                                                  float64
 7
    ProductOrDebtType
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  object
 8
    CollectionStatus
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  object
 9
    ClosureReason
                                 1754 non-null
                                                  object
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  object
 10 InBankruptcy
 11 AccountInsolvencyType
                                 62 non-null
                                                  object
 12 CustomerInsolvencyType
                                 1662 non-null
                                                  object
 13 IsLegal
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  object
 14 LastPaymentAmount
                                 20852 non-null
                                                  object
 15 LastPaymentMethod
                                 20852 non-null
                                                  object
 16 NumLiableParties
                                 81267 non-null
                                                  float64
 17 CustomerAge
                                 75504 non-null
                                                  float64
 18 NumPhones
                                 81285 non-null
                                                 int64
 19 NumEmails
                                 81285 non-null int64
 20 NumAddresses
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  int64
 21 IsStatBarred
                                 81285 non-null
                                                  object
 22
    Unnamed: 22
                                 0 non-null
                                                  float64
    Unnamed: 23
 23
                                 0 non-null
                                                  float64
     Unnamed: 24
                                 0 non-null
                                                  float64
dtypes: float64(6), int64(5), object(14)
memory usage: 16.1+ MB
None
```

• As we can observe there are 406423 rows and 25 columns with mixed datatypes int, float and object.

```
# Summary Statistics
print("\nSummary Statistics:")
print(df.describe())
Summary Statistics:
           EntityID
                         AccountID
                                     PurchasePrice
                                                     NumLiableParties
                                                         81267.000000
count
       8.128500e+04
                      8.128500e+04
                                      80762.000000
       3.950496e+07
mean
                      3.933833e+08
                                          5.638790
                                                              1.016513
std
       4.692842e+07
                      4.649379e+08
                                          5.520159
                                                              0.130964
min
       1.600000e+02
                      4.276000e+03
                                          0.190000
                                                              1.000000
25%
       3.010600e+06
                      3.023057e+07
                                          3.070000
                                                              1.000000
50%
       3.010949e+06
                      3.045035e+07
                                          4.220000
                                                              1.000000
75%
       9.990131e+07
                      9.901891e+08
                                          6.590000
                                                              1.000000
       9.990159e+07
                      9.904958e+08
                                         52.180000
                                                              3.000000
max
                         NumPhones
                                        NumEmails
                                                    NumAddresses
        CustomerAge
Unnamed: 22
count 75504.000000
                      81285.000000
                                     81285.000000
                                                    81285.000000
0.0
                          0.437731
                                         0.208599
mean
          45.728809
                                                        0.847635
NaN
std
          12.918218
                          0.715049
                                         0.434746
                                                        0.459897
NaN
         -28.000000
                          0.000000
min
                                         0.00000
                                                        0.000000
NaN
25%
          36.000000
                          0.00000
                                         0.00000
                                                        1.000000
NaN
50%
          44.000000
                          0.00000
                                         0.00000
                                                        1.000000
NaN
75%
          54.000000
                          1.000000
                                         0.000000
                                                        1.000000
NaN
max
         121.000000
                          8.000000
                                         4.000000
                                                        7.000000
NaN
       Unnamed: 23
                     Unnamed: 24
                0.0
                              0.0
count
                NaN
mean
                              NaN
                NaN
std
                              NaN
                NaN
                              NaN
min
25%
                NaN
                              NaN
50%
                NaN
                              NaN
75%
                NaN
                              NaN
                NaN
                              NaN
max
# Observing the Target Variable
# checking value count
df['IsStatBarred'].value counts()
```

```
IsStatBarred
Y 56777
N 24508
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

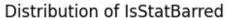
--Clearly there is a class imbalance--

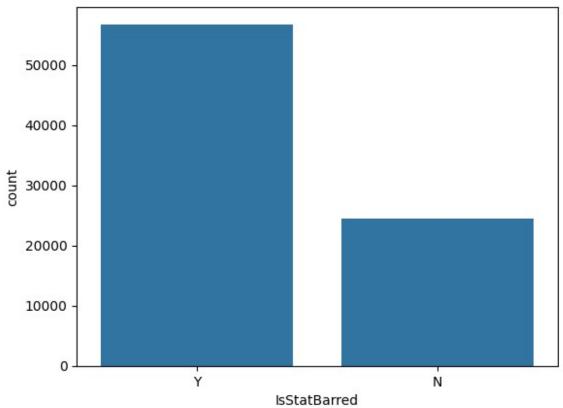
```
# Checking Missing Value in Target Variable

df.IsStatBarred.isnull().sum()
0
```

No Missing Value

```
# Visualize the distribution of the target variable
sns.countplot(x='IsStatBarred', data=df)
plt.title("Distribution of IsStatBarred")
plt.show()
```





```
# Drop unnecessary columns that are not useful for predictive modeling
as these are ID numbers
df = df.drop(columns=['EntityID', 'AccountID',
'OriginalCreditor[Redacted]', 'Unnamed: 22', 'Unnamed: 23', 'Unnamed:
24'], axis=1)
# Checking the result
df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Index: 81285 entries, 251668 to 215037
Data columns (total 19 columns):
    Column
                            Non-Null Count
                                            Dtype
- - -
 0
    CurrentBalance
                            81285 non-null
                                            object
 1
    DebtLoadPrincipal
                            81285 non-null object
 2
    Balanaceatdebt load
                            81285 non-null
                                            object
 3
    PurchasePrice
                            80762 non-null float64
    ProductOrDebtType
 4
                            81285 non-null
                                            object
 5
    CollectionStatus
                            81285 non-null
                                            object
 6
    ClosureReason
                            1754 non-null
                                            object
 7
                                            object
    InBankruptcy
                            81285 non-null
 8
    AccountInsolvencyType
                            62 non-null
                                            object
    CustomerInsolvencyType 1662 non-null
 9
                                            object
 10 IsLegal
                            81285 non-null
                                            object
 11 LastPaymentAmount
                            20852 non-null
                                            object
 12 LastPaymentMethod
                            20852 non-null
                                            object
 13 NumLiableParties
                            81267 non-null float64
 14 CustomerAge
                            75504 non-null
                                            float64
 15 NumPhones
                            81285 non-null int64
16
    NumEmails
                            81285 non-null int64
17
    NumAddresses
                          81285 non-null int64
    IsStatBarred
                            81285 non-null object
 18
dtypes: float64(3), int64(3), object(13)
memory usage: 12.4+ MB
```

 Approach to follow: We will observe the individual distribution of each feature (catrgorical and numerical both) along with it relationship with target variable to select that feature for model building.

Relationship Analysis: Categorical Features vs Target

```
'InBankruptcy', 'AccountInsolvencyType',
'CustomerInsolvencyType',
       'IsLegal', 'LastPaymentAmount', 'LastPaymentMethod',
'IsStatBarred'],
      dtype='object')
# So we have follow Categorial Variable:
# 'CurrentBalance',
# 'DebtLoadPrincipal',
# 'Balanaceatdebt load',
# 'ProductOrDebtType',
# 'CollectionStatus',
# 'ClosureReason'
# 'InBankruptcy',
# 'AccountInsolvencyType'
# 'CustomerInsolvencyType'.
# 'IsLegal',
# 'LastPaymentAmount',
# 'LastPaymentMethod'
# We will look into them one by one
```

- Approach Followed -
 - Check and handle missing value
 - Use Count plot to observe the distribution with respect to target variable.
- Based upon the percentage of missing value and distribution with target variable we will decide whether to keep the feature for model building or not.

```
# 1. CurrentBalance
# Checking Missing Vale
df.CurrentBalance.isnull().sum()
0
```

No Missing Value

```
381.82 1
4,767.39 1
179.33 1
6,079.85 1
Name: count, Length: 52553, dtype: int64

# Relationship with Target Variable

# sns.countplot(x='CurrentBalance', hue='IsStatBarred', data=df)
# plt.xticks(rotation=45)
# plt.show()
```

This feature has a diverse distribution with respect to target variable as it has more than 11k unique values and is likely to be kept

```
# 2. DebtLoadPrincipal
# Checking the missing values
df.DebtLoadPrincipal.isnull().sum()
0
```

No missing value

```
# Checkng the value count
df.DebtLoadPrincipal.value_counts()
DebtLoadPrincipal
25.00
            538
32.00
            357
20.00
            300
47.00
            231
45.00
            201
1,074.69
              1
751.83
              1
1,097.66
              1
903.08
              1
1,168.98
Name: count, Length: 60763, dtype: int64
```

We have 12k different rows hence distrubution on Target variable will be diverse so its good predictor

```
#3.Balanaceatdebt_load
# Checking Missing Value
```

```
df.Balanaceatdebt_load.isnull().sum()
0
```

No Missing Value

```
# Checking Value Count
df.Balanaceatdebt load.value counts()
Balanaceatdebt load
34.38
            179
32.35
            170
45.29
            143
26.47
            139
40.68
            130
3,138.09
              1
249.31
              1
2,126.94
              1
1,622.25
              1
1,370.57
              1
Name: count, Length: 61141, dtype: int64
```

Similar to the features, 'CurrentBalance' and 'DebtLoadPrincipal', Balanaceatdebt_load also has 19k unique values hence distribution with the Target will be diverse hence its a good predictor so we will keep it.

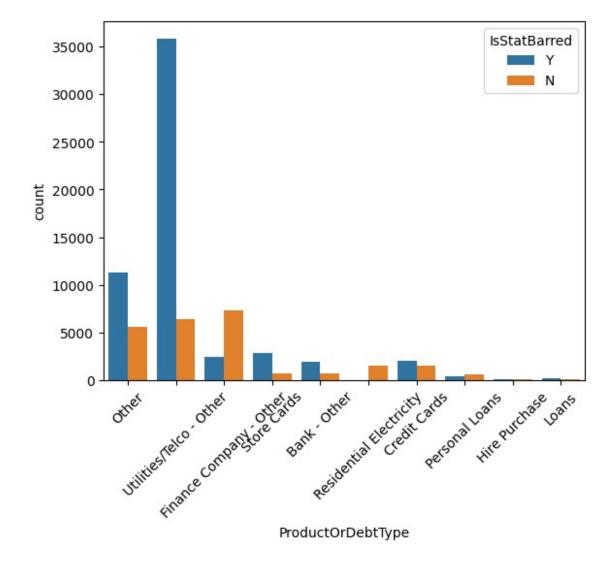
```
# 4. ProductOrDebtType
# Checking Missing Value
df.ProductOrDebtType.isnull().sum()
0
```

No Missing Value

```
Residential Electricity 1548
Personal Loans 893
Loans 258
Hire Purchase 91
Name: count, dtype: int64

# Relationship with Target Variable

sns.countplot(x='ProductOrDebtType', hue='IsStatBarred', data=df)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```



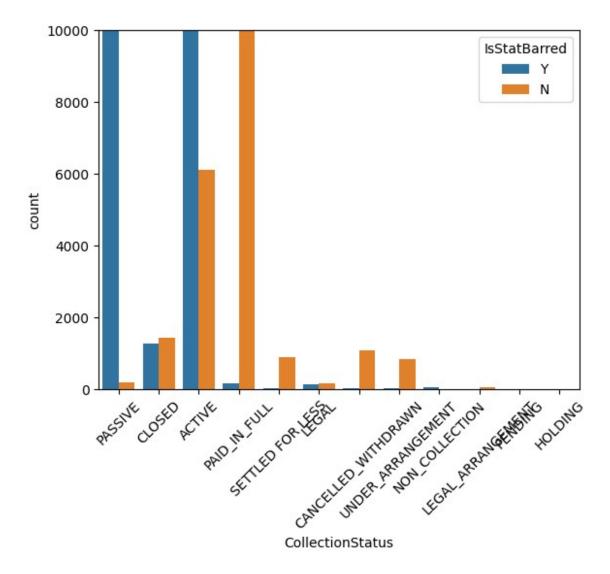
This feature has a diverse distribution and is likely to be kept

```
# 5.CollectionStatus
# Checking Missing Value
```

```
df.CollectionStatus.isnull().sum()
0
```

No missing Value

```
#Checking value count
df.CollectionStatus.value_counts()
CollectionStatus
ACTIVE
                       33822
PASSIVE
                       27593
PAID IN FULL
                       13896
CLOSED
                        2691
CANCELLED WITHDRAWN
                        1081
SETTLED FOR LESS
                         924
UNDER ARRANGEMENT
                         843
LEGAL
                         306
LEGAL ARRANGEMENT
                          61
NON COLLECTION
                          50
HOLDING
                          11
PENDING
                           7
Name: count, dtype: int64
# Relation with Target Variable
sns.countplot(x='CollectionStatus', hue='IsStatBarred', data=df)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.ylim(0, 10000)
plt.show()
```



-Categories like 'Holding', 'Pending', 'Non-Collection' has very low frequnecy we can merge then to make one-

```
# Merging HOLDING and 'PENDING' into NON_COLLECTION
df.CollectionStatus =
df.CollectionStatus.replace(['HOLDING','PENDING'],'NON_COLLECTION')
# Checking the Result
df.CollectionStatus.value_counts()
CollectionStatus
ACTIVE
                       33822
PASSIVE
                       27593
PAID IN FULL
                       13896
CLOSED
                        2691
CANCELLED WITHDRAWN
                        1081
SETTLED FOR LESS
                         924
```

```
UNDER_ARRANGEMENT 843
LEGAL 306
NON_COLLECTION 68
LEGAL_ARRANGEMENT 61
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

This feature shows the variation with the target variable hence to be included in the model

```
# 6.ClosureReason

# Checking Missing Value as percentage of total rows
df.ClosureReason.isnull().sum() / df.shape[0] * 100

97.84216030017838
```

-- More than 97% of the values are missing so are dropping this column --

```
# Dropping the column
df.drop('ClosureReason', axis=1, inplace=True)
# 7. InBankruptcy
# Checking Missing Values
df.InBankruptcy.isnull().sum()
0
```

No Missing Value

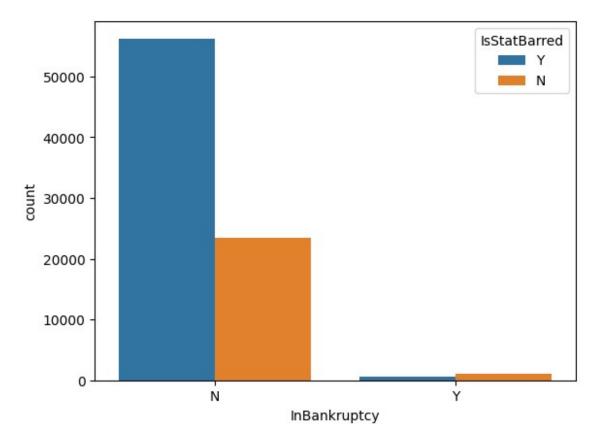
```
# Checking Value Count

df.InBankruptcy.value_counts()

InBankruptcy
N 79711
Y 1574
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

High Imbalance amoung the categories

```
# Relationship with Target Variable
sns.countplot(x='InBankruptcy', hue='IsStatBarred', data=df)
plt.show()
```



• It shows that people who donot file for Bankruptcy has more percentage in getting barred. This feature is highly imbalanced, but it could still be a valuable predictor depending on its relationship with the target. So we will decide to keep it for model building.

```
# 8.AccountInsolvencyType
#Checking Missing Value percentage w.r.t no. of rows
df.AccountInsolvencyType.isnull().sum()/df.shape[0]*100
99.9237251645445
```

--More than 99% of the values are missing from this column has we will drop this column--

```
# Dropping the column
df.drop('AccountInsolvencyType', axis=1, inplace=True)
# 9.CustomerInsolvencyType:
# Checking Missing Value percentage w.r.t no. of rows
df.CustomerInsolvencyType.isnull().sum()/df.shape[0]*100
97.95534231408008
```

More than 97% of the values are missing so we will drop this column

```
# Dropping the column

df.drop('CustomerInsolvencyType', axis=1, inplace=True)
#10. 'IsLegal',
# Checking Missing Value

df.IsLegal.isnull().sum()
0
```

No Missing Value

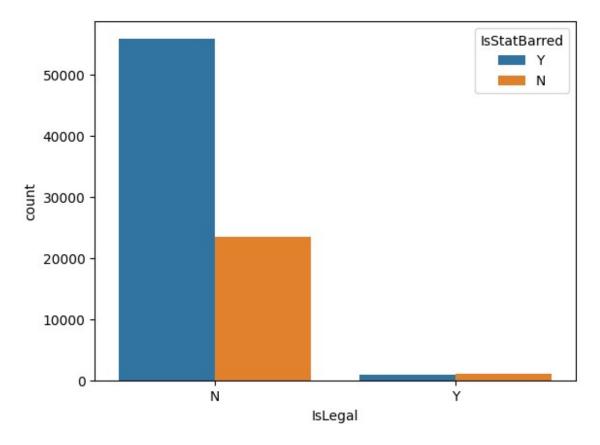
```
# Checking Value_Count

df.IsLegal.value_counts()

IsLegal
N     79314
Y     1971
Name: count, dtype: int64

# Relationship with Target Variable

sns.countplot(x = 'IsLegal', hue = 'IsStatBarred', data=df)
plt.show()
```



There is a clear difference is the distribution of both the categories on the target variable, hence Islegal is a good predictor.

```
# 11.'LastPaymentAmount',
# Checking the missing value w.r.t no.of rows
df.LastPaymentAmount.isnull().sum()/df.shape[0]*100
74.34705050132251
```

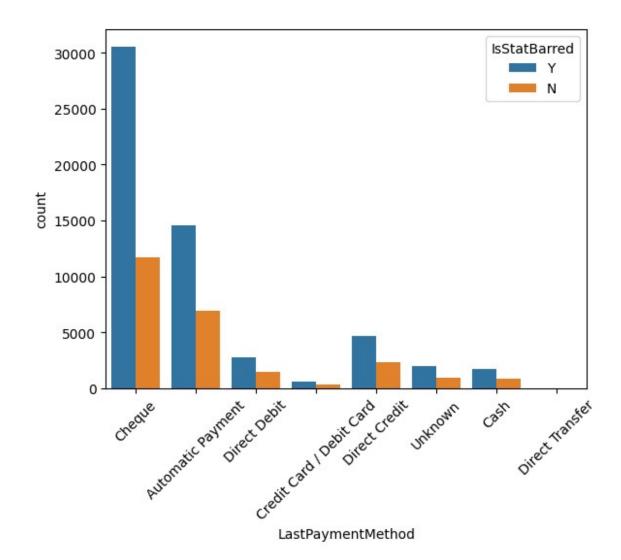
Close to 75% of the value are null. Due to the high percentage of missing values, we cannot perform mean or median imputation as these values unique values we cannot fill the LastPaymentAmount as mean or median. Here we will use KNN Imputation to predict the missing values.

```
# First convert it into
string, remove ',' with '' and then conver it into float.
imputer = KNNImputer(n neighbors=5)
df['LastPaymentAmount'] =
imputer.fit transform(df[['LastPaymentAmount']]) # .fit transform
expect a 2D array that is why
                                                                     #
df[['LastPaymentAmount']] is used instead of
                                                                     #
df['LastPaynentAmount']
                                        # Alternatively, we can use,
df.LastPaymentAmount.values.reshape(-1,1)
# 12.LastPaymentMethod
# Checking Missing Value w.r.t No. of Rows
df.LastPaymentMethod.isnull().sum()/df.shape[0]*100
74.34705050132251
```

-- Close to 75% of the Values are missing, it could be a good predictor and provide inside info hence we will address missing. Here we will use the random sample imputation to handle missing value--

```
# Checking Value count
df.LastPaymentMethod.value counts()
LastPaymentMethod
Cheque
                            10888
Automatic Payment
                             5437
                             1800
Direct Credit
Direct Debit
                             1086
Unknown
                              736
Cash
                              656
Credit Card / Debit Card
                              243
Direct Transfer
                                6
Name: count, dtype: int64
# Handing Missing Values via Random Imputation
index = df[df.LastPaymentMethod.isnull()].index
df.loc[index, 'LastPaymentMethod'] =
np.random.choice(df.LastPaymentMethod.dropna().values,
size=len(index))
# Checking the result
df.LastPaymentMethod.isnull().sum()
0
```

```
# Addtional Step to remove any extra spaces into the category name
df['LastPaymentMethod'] = df['LastPaymentMethod'].str.strip()
# Checking ValueCount post Imputation
df.LastPaymentMethod.value counts()
LastPaymentMethod
                            42304
Cheque
Automatic Payment
                            21435
Direct Credit
                             6992
Direct Debit
                             4230
Unknown
                             2864
Cash
                             2505
Credit Card / Debit Card
                              937
Direct Transfer
                               18
Name: count, dtype: int64
# Relationship with Target Varaible
sns.countplot(x='LastPaymentMethod', hue='IsStatBarred', data = df)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```



-- Categories Like Unknown, Cash, Credit Card/ Debit Card, Direct Transfer and Master Card can be merges into one --

```
LastPaymentMethod
Cheque 42304
Automatic Payment 21435
Direct Credit 6992
Others 6324
Direct Debit 4230
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

-- Here We have completed the relationship analysis of Categorical Variable with Target variable, Now we will observe the relationship of Numerical Column with Target variable --

Relationship Analysis of Numerical Features with Target Variable

```
df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Index: 81285 entries, 251668 to 215037
Data columns (total 16 columns):
#
     Column
                          Non-Null Count
                                          Dtype
     -----
    CurrentBalance
 0
                          81285 non-null object
     DebtLoadPrincipal
 1
                          81285 non-null object
 2
     Balanaceatdebt load 81285 non-null object
 3
    PurchasePrice
                          80762 non-null float64
    ProductOrDebtType
 4
                          81285 non-null object
 5
    CollectionStatus
                          81285 non-null object
 6
    InBankruptcy
                          81285 non-null object
 7
    IsLegal
                          81285 non-null object
    LastPaymentAmount 81285 non-null LastPaymentMethod 81285 non-null
 8
                                          float64
 9
                                          object
10 NumLiableParties11 CustomerAge
                          81267 non-null float64
                          75504 non-null float64
 12 NumPhones
                          81285 non-null
                                          int64
    NumEmails
 13
                          81285 non-null
                                          int64
14 NumAddresses
                          81285 non-null int64
15
    IsStatBarred
                          81285 non-null
                                          object
dtypes: float64(4), int64(3), object(9)
memory usage: 12.6+ MB
   Collating the Numerical Features from the Dataset
numerical features = df.select dtypes(exclude='object').columns
numerical features
Index(['PurchasePrice', 'LastPaymentAmount', 'NumLiableParties',
'CustomerAge',
       'NumPhones', 'NumEmails', 'NumAddresses'],
      dtype='object')
```

```
# We have 6 Numerical Features :
# 1. 'PurchasePrice',
# 2.'NumLiableParties',
# 3. 'CustomerAge',
# 4.'NumPhones',
# 5.'NumEmails',
# 6.'NumAddresses'
# Lets deal with them one by one by before that lets encode target
Variable
# Encoding the target variable
df.IsStatBarred = df.IsStatBarred.map({'Y':1,'N':0})
df.IsStatBarred.value counts()/df.shape[0]*100
IsStatBarred
     69.849296
     30.150704
Name: count, dtype: float64
```

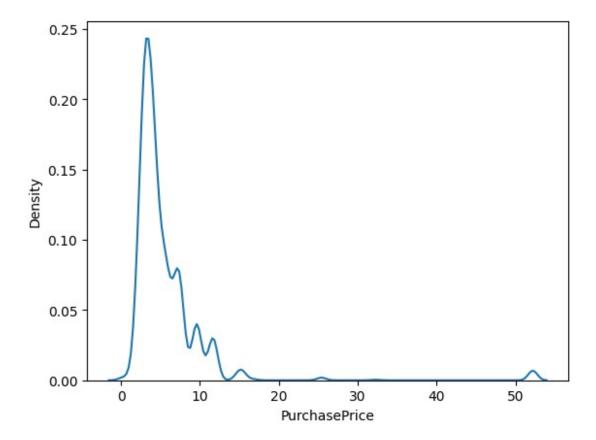
Starting with Numerical Featurs

- Approach Followed -
 - Check and handle missing value
 - Check the distribution using KDE plot
 - Check the Relationship with target variable on the basis of
 - Box Plot
 - Histogram
 - Correlation
- After observing all the plot make the decision if we want to keep the numerical feature for model building or not.

```
# 1. 'PurchasePrice'
# Checking Missing Value w.r.t to No. of Rows
df.PurchasePrice.isnull().sum()/df.shape[0]*100
0.6434151442455558
```

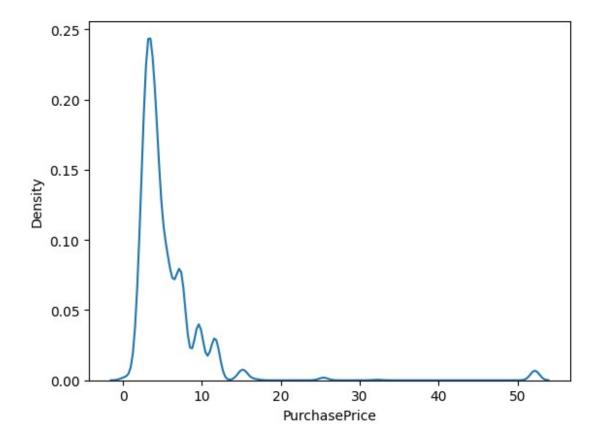
• Less than 1% of the Value are missing, firstly observe the distribution of the column when we will decide which imputution to use to handle missing value

```
# Observing the distribution
sns.kdeplot(df.PurchasePrice)
plt.show()
```



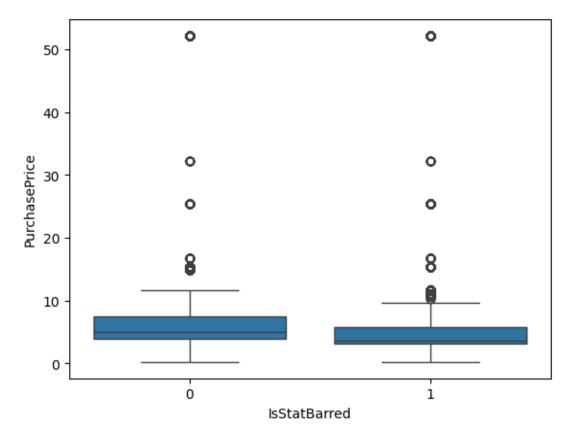
Based on the provided KDE plot for 'PurchasePrice', the distribution appears to be right-skewed. Hence we will use median impulation as mean will be sensitive towards the outliers.

```
# Finding the median of the distibution
df.PurchasePrice.median()
4.22
# Handling Missing Value using Median Imputation
df.PurchasePrice = df.PurchasePrice.fillna(df.PurchasePrice.median())
# Checking the result post medial imputation
df.PurchasePrice.isnull().sum()
0
# Checking the distributon after handling missing values
sns.kdeplot(df.PurchasePrice)
plt.show()
```



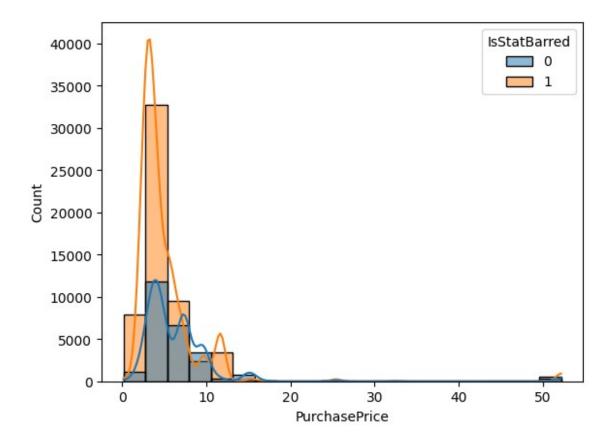
-Distribution is similar, no change post doing median imputation

```
# Checking the relationship with Target Variable
# 1.Using Box Plot
sns.boxplot(x='IsStatBarred', y='PurchasePrice', data=df)
plt.show()
```



The box plot shows that there is a clear difference in the median and overall distribution between the two groups IsStatBarred (0 and 1) is observable. This suggests that PurchasePrice is likely a good predictor variable as there is a noticeable separation in the price distributions for customers who are and aren't stat barred.

```
# 2. Using Histogram
sns.histplot(x =df.PurchasePrice, hue = df.IsStatBarred, kde=True,
bins=20)
plt.show()
```



The histogram provides a more granular view of the distribution of PurchasePrice for each IsStatBarred category. The KDE plots overlaid on the histograms further illustrate the difference in the shapes of the distributions. Similar to the box plot, the histogram confirms a difference in the distribution of purchase prices between the two categories. The differing distributions indicate a possible relationship between PurchasePrice and the likelihood of being stat barred.

3. Using Correlation

df.PurchasePrice.corr(df.IsStatBarred)

-0.1205985921492508

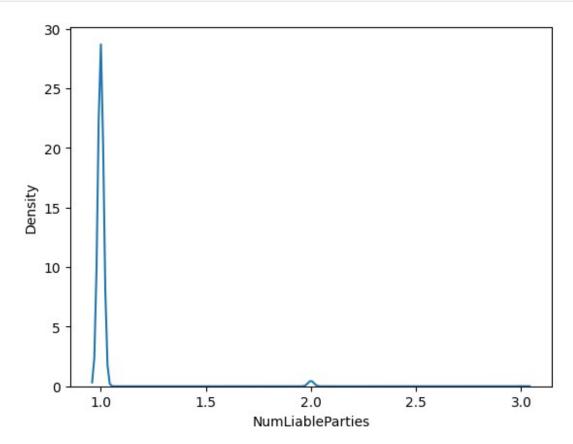
- There is a negative weak correlation exists between 'PurchasePrice' and 'IsStatBarred'. This suggests that as PurchasePrice increases, the likelihood of being stat barred slightly decreases. However, the weakness of the correlation indicates that this relationship alone might not be a strong predictor.
- Overall Conclusion: Despite the weak correlation coefficient, the visual analysis through the histplot and box plot strongly suggests that 'PurchasePrice' is a relevant predictor for 'IsStatBarred'. The difference in the distribution of purchase prices across the two target variable classes indicates that PurchasePrice could be a valuable feature in a predictive model. While correlation provides a single numerical measure of the linear relationship, the visual representations give a more

comprehensive picture of the relationship hence we will add this feature for model building.

```
# 2.'NumLiableParties'
# Checking the missing value w.r.t. No. of Rows
df.NumLiableParties.isnull().sum()/df.shape[0]*100
0.02214430706772467
```

Since 3% of values are missing, we will plot look into the distribution and then decide the imputation method for handing missing value

```
# Checking the distribution
sns.kdeplot(df.NumLiableParties)
plt.show()
```



- Based on the KDE plot for 'NumLiableParties', the distribution appears to be skewed to the right with a long tail.
- There's a concentration of values around 1, with fewer instances at higher values.
- For imputation, given the skewed distribution, using the median would be more appropriate than the mean, as the median is less sensitive to outliers.

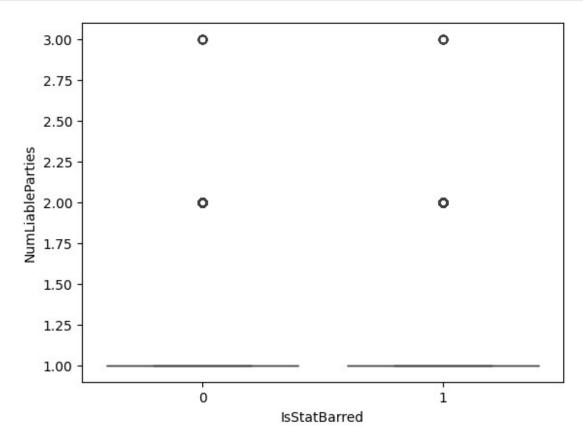
```
# Handling Missing Values using Median Imputation
df.NumLiableParties =
df.NumLiableParties.fillna(df.NumLiableParties.median())

# Check the result
print(df.NumLiableParties.isnull().sum())

# Checking Relationship with Target Variable

#1. Using Box Plot

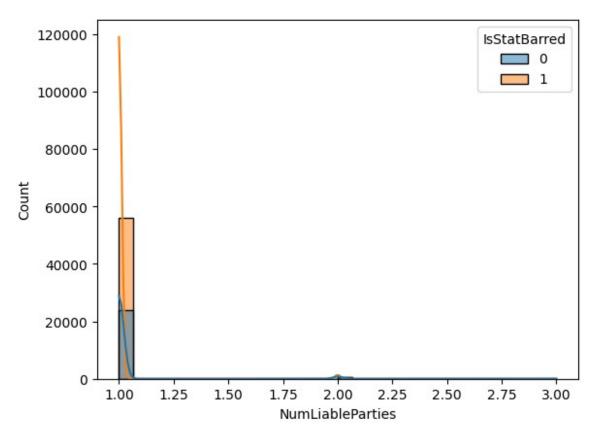
sns.boxplot(x='IsStatBarred', y='NumLiableParties', data=df)
plt.show()
```



The NumLiableParties variable shows a slight difference in the median values between the two classes of IsStatBarred but appears to be distributed similarly otherwise. We will observe the histplot and corr and then decide whether to keep this feature or not.

```
# 2.Using Histogram
sns.histplot(x= df.NumLiableParties,hue= df.IsStatBarred, kde=True,
```

```
bins=30)
plt.show()
```



The histogram provides a more granular view of the distributions. While there's a slight difference in the shape of the distributions, there is still considerable overlap, particularly at lower values of NumLiableParties.

```
# 3. Using Correlation

df.NumLiableParties.corr(df.IsStatBarred)

-0.05207589785232645
```

- Correlation: The correlation coefficient between 'NumLiableParties' and
 'IsStatBarred' is likely to be small (close to zero based on the visual inspection). This
 quantifies the weak linear relationship observed in the plots. A near-zero
 correlation indicates that changes in 'NumLiableParties' do not strongly predict
 changes in 'IsStatBarred'.
- Based on the weak visual relationship in the boxplot and histogram, and the likely near-zero correlation, 'NumLiableParties' is probably not a very strong predictor for 'IsStatBarred'. Including it in the model might not significantly improve its

predictive power and could potentially add noise. Hence we decide to drop this feature

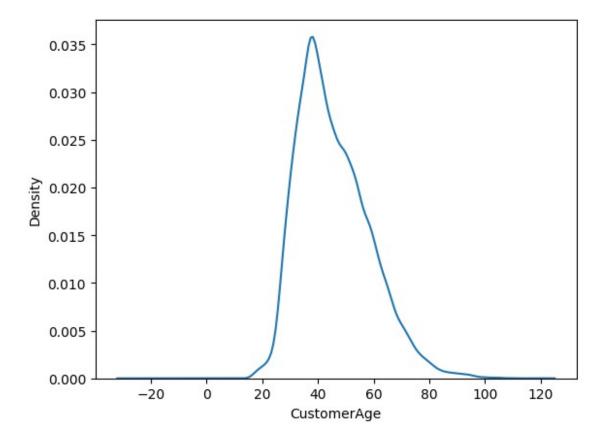
```
# Dropping the feature

df.drop('NumLiableParties',axis=1,inplace=True)
# 3.CustomerAge
# Checking Missing Value w.r.t no. of rows

df.CustomerAge.isnull().sum()/df.shape[0]*100
7.11201328658424
```

Close to 7% values are missing, We will observe the distribution on Age and accordingly we will decide which imputation method to use for handling missing value

```
## CHecking the distribution
sns.kdeplot(df.CustomerAge)
plt.show()
```



Based on the KDE plot of 'CustomerAge', we can observe the following:

- The distribution is slightly right-skewed, indicating a longer tail towards older ages.
- The majority of customers seem to fall within a specific age range, with a peak in the distribution.

```
# Checking Value Count
df.CustomerAge.value counts()
CustomerAge
 37.0
          2810
 38.0
          2804
 39.0
          2727
 36.0
          2581
40.0
          2489
-28.0
              1
109.0
              1
11.0
              1
106.0
              1
-6.0
Name: count, Length: 103, dtype: int64
df[df.CustomerAge<0]['CustomerAge'].count()</pre>
2
```

Based on the KDE plot and value counts, the CustomerAge distribution has a few issues:

- Missing values: ~7%
- Negative values: 20 and these are not realistic.

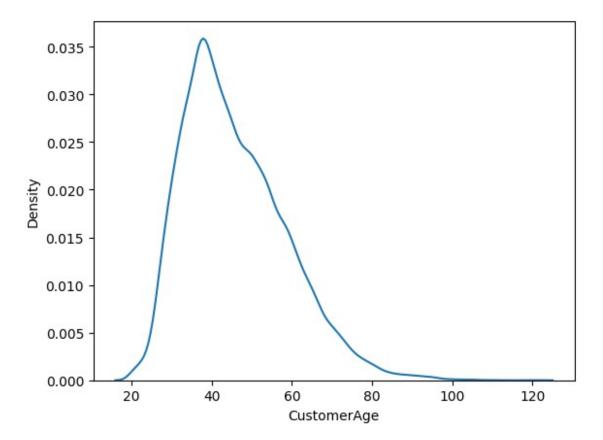
To handle Negetive age we will convert them into absolute value and then which ever value is less than 20 we will replace that value with median.

```
# Handle negative ages and missing values in 'CustomerAge'

df['CustomerAge'] = df['CustomerAge'].abs() # Converting All into abs
value

df['CustomerAge'] = df['CustomerAge'].apply(lambda x:
    df['CustomerAge'].median() if x < 20 else x) # replacing with median
    if Age<20

# Visualize the distribution after handling negetive age
sns.kdeplot(df.CustomerAge)
plt.show()</pre>
```



• As observed the KDE plot for Age is slightly right-skewed, hence we will use median imputation to handle missing value

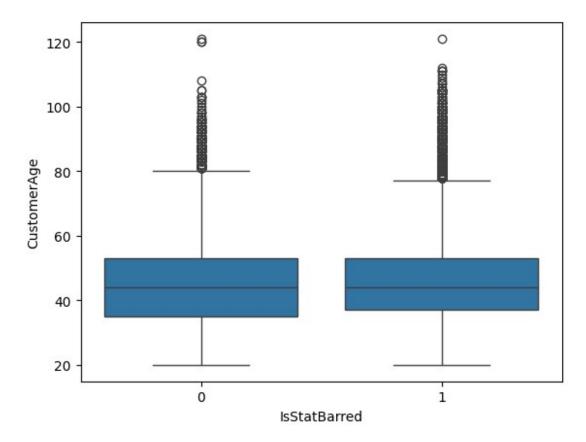
```
# Perform median imputation for remaining missing values:

df.CustomerAge = df.CustomerAge.fillna(df.CustomerAge.median())

# Verify that there are no more missing values in 'CustomerAge'
print(df.CustomerAge.isnull().sum())
```

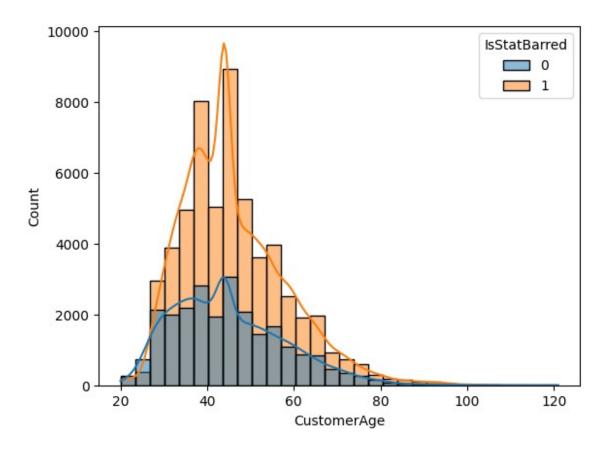
No More Missing Value

```
# Relationship with Target Variable
# 1. Using Box Plot
sns.boxplot(x='IsStatBarred', y='CustomerAge', data=df)
plt.show()
```



The box plot shows a slightly different distribution of customer ages between the two groups ('Y' and 'N' for IsStatBarred). While the median ages appear relatively close, the interquartile ranges (IQRs) and the presence of outliers might differ. This suggests a potential, though possibly weak, relationship between customer age and the likelihood of being stat barred.

```
# 2.Using Histogram
sns.histplot(x= df.CustomerAge,hue= df.IsStatBarred, kde=True,
bins=30)
plt.show()
```



The histogram plot shows slightly different distributions for customers who are stat barred (IsStatBarred = 1) versus those who are not (IsStatBarred = 0). While there's some overlap in the distributions, the plot suggests that younger customers might be slightly more likely to be stat barred. However, the difference is not much and there's considerable overlap, indicating that CustomerAge alone might not be a very strong predictor of IsStatBarred.

3.Using Correlation

df.CustomerAge.corr(df.IsStatBarred)

0.04382291103049329

- The correlation coefficient between CustomerAge and IsStatBarred (likely to be small and possibly positive) quantifies the weak linear relationship. A small correlation implies a weak linear relationship; however, nonlinear relationships may exist.
- CustomerAge might have a weak predictive power. While the visual analysis shows some difference in distributions, the correlation coefficient indicates a weak linear relationship. For now we will decide to keep it for model building and observe the impact.

4.NumPhones

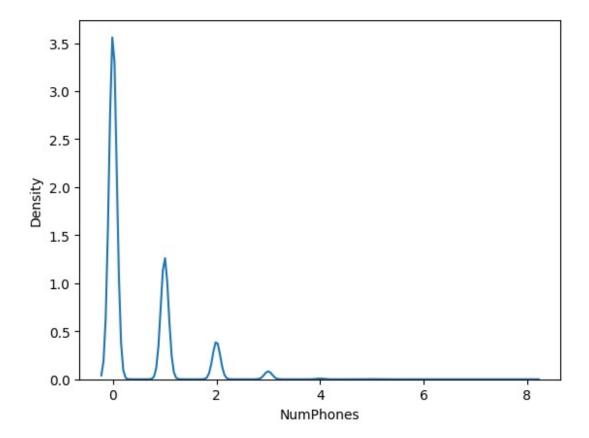
```
# Checking missing value

df.NumPhones.isnull().sum()/df.shape[0]*100

0.0
```

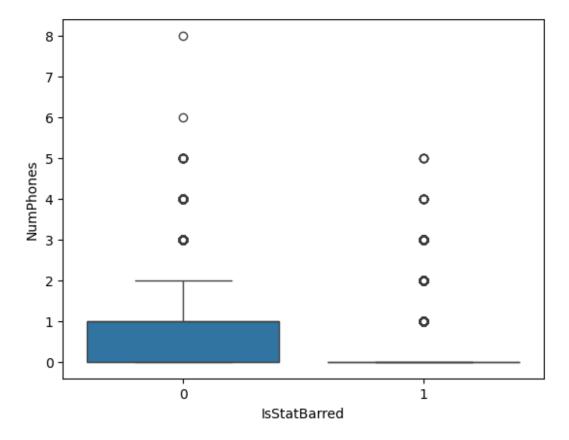
No Missing Values

```
# Checking Value Count
df.NumPhones.value_counts()
NumPhones
     54669
1
     19235
2
     5982
3
     1250
4
      117
5
        30
6
         1
8
         1
Name: count, dtype: int64
# Checking Distribution
sns.kdeplot(df.NumPhones)
<Axes: xlabel='NumPhones', ylabel='Density'>
```



The KDE plot shows a peak at 1 or a small value(0), indicating that a large portion of customers have only one phone number or either no phone associated with their account. There might be a gradual decrease in the density as the number of phones increases, suggesting fewer customers have multiple phone numbers listed. The plot could also reveal if there are any unusual spikes at higher phone number counts, indicating possible outliers. This distribution suggests that <code>NumPhones</code> might not be a very powerful predictor.

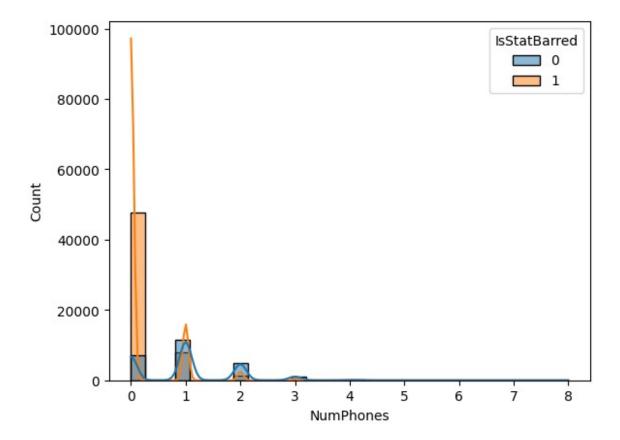
```
# Relationship with Target Variable
# 1. Using BoxPlot
sns.boxplot(x = 'IsStatBarred', y='NumPhones', data=df)
plt.show()
```



- The box plot shows a clear distinction between the distribution of NumPhones for IsStatBarred = 0 (not barred) and IsStatBarred = 1 (barred).
- IsStatBarred = 0 shows variability in NumPhones, with values ranging from 0 to 8 (with some outliers).
- IsStatBarred = 1 is concentrated at 0, showing minimal spread.
- This separation suggests that NumPhones has potential predictive power for distinguishing between the two classes.

2. Using Histogram

sns.histplot(x= df.NumPhones,hue= df.IsStatBarred, kde=True, bins=30)
plt.show()



The histogram (if similar to the distribution shown in the box plot) likely demonstrates:

- For IsStatBarred = 0: A wider spread of NumPhones, with more frequent occurrences of higher values.
- For IsStatBarred = 1: A sharp concentration of NumPhones at 0, indicating very low variability. This adds further evidence that the two classes (IsStatBarred = 0 and 1) are distinguishable based on NumPhones.

3. Using Corr

df.NumPhones.corr(df.IsStatBarred)

-0.5293381650358008

The correlation coefficient of -0.532 indicates a moderate negative correlation between NumPhones and IsStatBarred.

• A negative correlation aligns with the observation that as NumPhones increases, the likelihood of being IsStatBarred = 1 decreases.

Based on:

- The box plot, which shows a clear distinction between the two groups.
- The moderate negative correlation (-0.532), suggesting a meaningful relationship between NumPhones and IsStatBarred.
- The likely histogram distribution, highlighting different spreads for the two groups.

Conclusion: -NumPhones appears to be a good predictor for IsStatBarred.

```
# 5.NumEmails
#Checking for missing values
df.NumEmails.isnull().sum()/df.shape[0]*100
0.0
```

No Missing Value

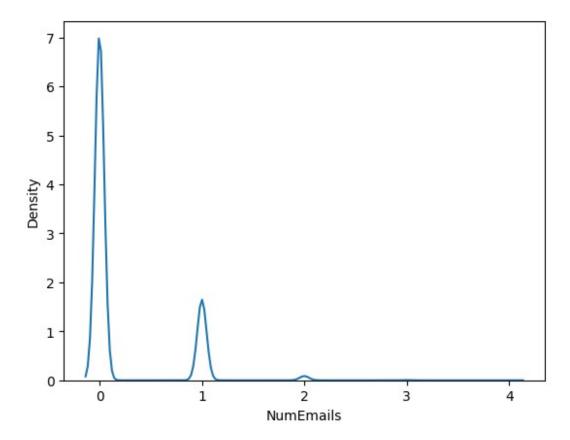
```
# Checking Value Count

df.NumEmails.value_counts()

NumEmails
0    65235
1    15203
2    795
3    45
4    7
Name: count, dtype: int64

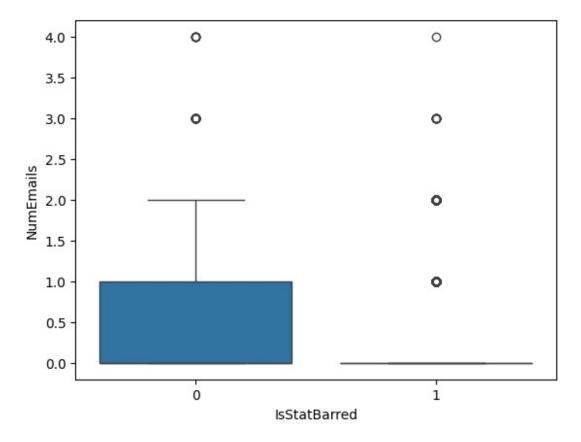
# Checking the distribution

sns.kdeplot(df.NumEmails)
plt.show()
```



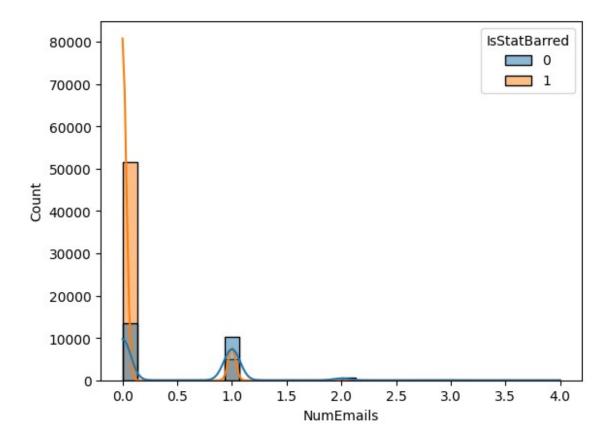
The plot of shows a peak at 0 or a low value, indicating many customers have zero or very few associated email addresses. The density probably decreases as the number of emails increases, suggesting fewer customers have multiple email addresses listed. The plot might also reveal if there are any unusual spikes at higher email counts, which could indicate outliers.

```
# Checking Relationship with Target
#1. Using BoxPlot
sns.boxplot(x='IsStatBarred', y='NumEmails', data=df)
plt.show()
```



The plot shows a slight difference in the distribution of the number of emails between the two groups (stat barred and not stat barred). While the medians appear relatively close, there's a noticeable difference in the spread of the data (the interquartile range or IQR) and the presence of outliers. Specifically, the stat barred group seems to have a slightly wider spread and a higher number of outliers, indicating some customers with a large number of emails are more likely to be stat barred. However, the overall difference isn't dramatic, suggesting that while <code>NumEmails</code> might have some predictive power, it's likely not a very strong predictor on its own.

```
# 2. Using Histogram
sns.histplot(x = df.NumEmails, hue= df.IsStatBarred, kde=True,
bins=30)
plt.show()
```



Histogram confirms the observation from the box plot. The distributions, while overlapping, show some separation, particularly in the tails where customers with a higher number of emails might be more likely to be stat barred.

3. Using Correlation df.NumEmails.corr(df.IsStatBarred) -0.40226996985338465

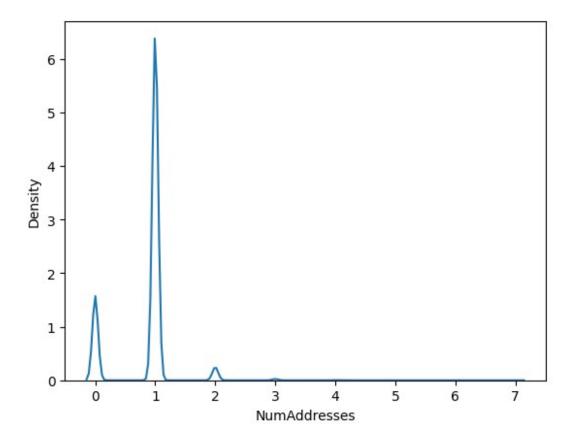
- This is a moderate negative correlation.
- While the boxplot and histogram suggest a visual difference in the distributions of NumEmails for the two classes (stat barred and not stat barred), the moderate negative correlation (-0.4027) quantifies this relationship. A negative correlation means that as the number of emails increases, the likelihood of being stat barred decreases. The combination of the visualizations and the correlation coefficient suggests that NumEmails is a moderately important predictor variable for IsStatBarred in predicting whether a customer is likely to be stat barred. It's a feature worth including in your model.

```
# 6. NumAddresses
# Checking the missing value
```

```
df.NumAddresses.isnull().sum()/df.shape[0]*100
0.0
```

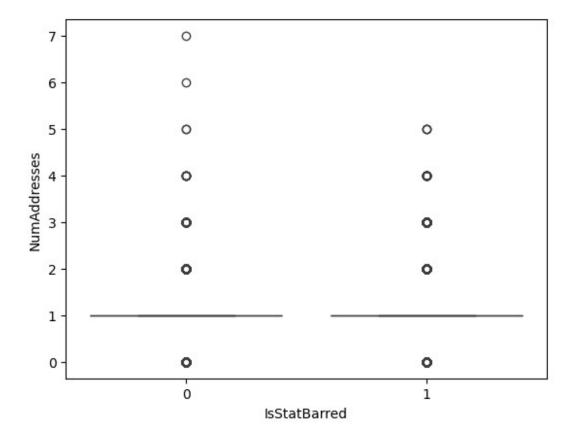
No Missing Value

```
# Checking the Value Count
df.NumAddresses.value_counts()
NumAddresses
     63283
1
0
     15352
2
      2382
3
       229
4
        32
5
         5
7
         1
6
Name: count, dtype: int64
# CHecking the distribution
sns.kdeplot(df.NumAddresses)
plt.show()
```



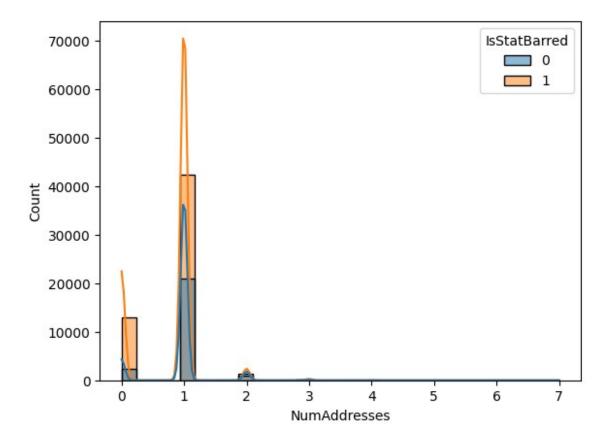
The KDE plot for **NumAddresses** shows a peak at a low value (likely 1), indicating that a significant portion of customers have only one address listed. The density then decreases as the number of addresses increases, suggesting fewer customers have multiple addresses associated with their account.

```
# Relationship with the Target Variable
#1. Using BoxPlot
sns.boxplot(x='IsStatBarred', y='NumAddresses', data=df)
plt.show()
```



The boxplot of shows a similar distribution of the number of addresses for both categories ('Y' and 'N' for <code>IsStatBarred</code>). If the distributions are nearly identical, it suggests that the number of addresses a customer has is not a strong predictor of whether they are stat barred. There might be slight differences in median or quartiles, but the overall spread and presence of outliers would likely be quite similar.

```
# 2. Using Histogram
sns.histplot(x = df.NumAddresses, hue = df.IsStatBarred, kde=True,
bins=30)
plt.show()
```



The histogram and boxplot shows very similar distributions for both groups (stat barred and not stat barred). The distributions largely overlap, indicating that the number of addresses a customer has is not a strong predictor of whether they are stat barred.

3. Using Correlation

df.NumAddresses.corr(df.IsStatBarred)

-0.14649518016995033

The boxplot, histogram, and correlation coefficient all point to a weak or no relationship between the number of addresses a customer has ('NumAddresses') and whether they are stat barred ('IsStatBarred'). Visually, the distributions of 'NumAddresses' for both categories of 'IsStatBarred' are almost identical in the boxplot and histogram. The near-zero correlation coefficient further quantifies this lack of a linear relationship.

Hence 'NumAddresses' is unlikely to be a good predictor of 'IsStatBarred', So will drop this column

```
# Dropping the column

df.drop('NumAddresses',axis=1, inplace=True)
```

```
# Checking DataFrame
df.info()
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Data columns (total 14 columns):
                          Non-Null Count Dtype
#
     Column
- - -
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                                          obiect
1
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                          81285 non-null object
 2
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 3
     PurchasePrice
                          81285 non-null float64
    Product0rDebtType
 4
                          81285 non-null object
 5
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                          81285 non-null
                                          object
 6
    InBankruptcy
                          81285 non-null
                                          object
 7
    IsLegat
LastPaymentAmount
    IsLegal
                          81285 non-null
                                          object
 8
                          81285 non-null float64
 9
                          81285 non-null
                                          object
 10 CustomerAge
                          81285 non-null
                                          float64
 11
    NumPhones
                          81285 non-null
                                          int64
     NumEmails
12
                          81285 non-null
                                          int64
 13
    IsStatBarred
                          81285 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(3), int64(3), object(8)
memory usage: 11.3+ MB
```

-- So these are our final feature on which we will build our model --

The reason for using Label Encoding instead of one hot encoding is many categorical variables (e.g., CollectionStatus, Closure Reason) may have high cardinality which may increase the no of feature and unnecessary increase the dimentionality of the model which may take more computation as we are working on 400k row data which is large itself.

```
df.head()
```

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Model Building --

```
# Checking the class balance in target variable

df.IsStatBarred.value_counts()/df.shape[0]*100

IsStatBarred
1 69.849296
0 30.150704
Name: count, dtype: float64
```

 Here Clearly there is a class imbalance, where 70% of the class is barred and 30% is not barred.

Approach followed:

 Build different individual model on the given imbalance data and evaluate their performance

- Improve Model Performance by using follow techniques -
 - Stacking
 - Hyperparameter Tunning
 - Apply SMOTE to handle class imbalance.

1.Model Building on Imbalaced Class

```
# Checking the dataset
   df.head()
   {"summary":"{\n \"name\": \"df\",\n \"rows\": 81285,\n \"fields\":
   [\n {\n \"column\": \"CurrentBalance\",\n \"properties\":
 }\n },\n {\n \"column\": \"Balanaceatdebt_load\",\n \"properties\": {\n \"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"st
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            \"std\":
 | Triple | T
  \"num_unique_values\": 42,\n \"samples\": [\n 6.31,\n 5.34,\n 11.7\n ],\n \"semantic_type\": \"\",\n \"description\": \"\"\n }\n },\n {\n \"column\": \"ProductOrDebtType\",\n \"properties\": {\n \"dtype\":
  \"number\",\n \"std\": 2,\n \"min\": 0,\n \"max\": 9,\n \"num_unique_values\": 10,\n \"samples\": [\n 3,\n 9,\n 7\n ],\n \"semantic_type\": \"\",\n \"description\": \"\"\n }\
```

```
\"\",\n \"description\": \"\"\n }\n },\n
\"column\": \"IsLegal\",\n \"properties\": {\n \"dtype\":
\"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\": 599.3360557837549,\n
\"min\": 0.01,\n \"max\": 48521.79,\n
4.43,\
\"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\": 12.381721607257129,\n
\"min\": 20.0,\n \"max\": 121.0,\n
\"num_unique_values\": 95,\n \"samples\": [\n
97.0,\n
\"column\": \"IsStatBarred\",\n \"properties\": {\n
\"dtype\": \"number\",\n \"std\": 0,\n \"min\": 0,\n \"max\": 1,\n \"num_unique_values\": 2,\n \"samples\": [\n 0,\n 1\n ],\n \"semantic_type\": \"\",\n \"description\": \"\"n }\n }\n ]\
n}","type":"dataframe","variable name":"df"}
# Splitting the data into features (X) and target(Y)
x = df.iloc[:.:-1]
y = df.iloc[:,-1]
print(x.shape)
print(y.shape)
(81285, 13)
(81285,)
```

```
# Spliting the data into Train and Test

x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test =
train_test_split(x,y,test_size=0.2,random_state=42)

# Applying Standardization

ss = StandardScaler()
x_train = ss.fit_transform(x_train)
x_test = ss.transform(x_test)
```

• Approach will be firstly apply models individually and evaluate them and use ensemble technique or Hyper Parameter Tunning to improve the model performance.

Following Model will be use:

- Logistic Regression
- SVM
- Naive Bayes
- Random Forest
- Adaboost
- Gradient Boosting

Additionally for Model Evaluation our focus will be on ROC_AUC_SCORE along with Accuracy. Why?

• Nature of Problem: This project involves predicting whether a debt is statute-barred (binary classification). The goal is to assess the probability of a positive outcome (successful debt collection). The ROC AUC Score is well-suited for such tasks because it evaluates the model's ability to distinguish between the positive and negative classes across all thresholds.

```
# Apply Models Individually

models = {
    'Logistic Regression' : LogisticRegression(random_state=1),
    'SVM' : SVC(probability=True, random_state =1),
    'Naive Bayes' : GaussianNB(),
    'Random Forest' : RandomForestClassifier(random_state=1),
    'Adaboost' : AdaBoostClassifier(random_state=1),
    'Gradient Boosting' : GradientBoostingClassifier(random_state=1)
}

# Training and Evaluation the models

individual_result_imb = {}

for model_name, model in models.items():
    model.fit(x_train,y_train)
    y_pred = model.predict(x_test)
```

```
y proba = model.predict proba(x test)[:, 1] if hasattr(model,
"predict proba") else None # Here hasattr() is use to check
                                                     # if the model
object has any attribute name 'predict probe' if yes it will
                                                     # execute the
attribute else it will store None
  accuracy = accuracy score(y test,y pred)
  roc auc = roc auc score(y test, y proba) if y proba is not None else
None # Again if y proba is not None only then it will
# will execute else it will store None into it.
  individual_result_imb[model name] = {'Accuracy IMB': accuracy,
'ROC AUC IMB': roc auc}
  print(f"\n{model name} Results:")
  print("Accuracy:", accuracy)
  if roc auc:
    print("ROC AUC Score:", roc auc)
  print("Classification Report:\n", classification report(y test,
y pred))
Logistic Regression Results:
Accuracy: 0.8638740234975703
ROC AUC Score: 0.909557742974514
Classification Report:
               precision
                            recall f1-score
                                                support
                             0.71
                                        0.76
                   0.82
                                                  4935
           1
                   0.88
                             0.93
                                        0.90
                                                 11322
                                        0.86
                                                 16257
    accuracy
   macro avq
                   0.85
                             0.82
                                        0.83
                                                 16257
weighted avg
                   0.86
                             0.86
                                       0.86
                                                 16257
SVM Results:
Accuracy: 0.9308605523774374
ROC AUC Score: 0.9728906986729264
Classification Report:
                            recall f1-score
               precision
                                                support
           0
                   0.89
                             0.88
                                        0.88
                                                  4935
           1
                   0.95
                             0.96
                                        0.95
                                                 11322
                                        0.93
    accuracy
                                                 16257
                             0.92
                   0.92
                                        0.92
                                                 16257
   macro avg
                   0.93
                             0.93
                                        0.93
weighted avg
                                                 16257
```

Naive Bayes Results:

Accuracy: 0.8160177154456542

ROC_AUC_Score: 0.8879426717974903

Classification Report:

precision	recall	f1-score	support
0.77	0.56	0.65	4935
0.83	0.93	0.88	11322
		0.82	16257
0.80	0.74	0.76	16257
0.81	0.82	0.81	16257
	0.77 0.83	precision recall 0.77 0.56 0.83 0.93	precision recall f1-score 0.77 0.56 0.65 0.83 0.93 0.88 0.82 0.80 0.74 0.76

Random Forest Results:

Accuracy: 0.9720735683090361

ROC_AUC_Score: 0.9954463850584001

Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0 1	0.94 0.98	0.97 0.98	0.95 0.98	4935 11322
accuracy macro avg weighted avg	0.96 0.97	0.97 0.97	0.97 0.97 0.97	16257 16257 16257

/usr/local/lib/python3.10/dist-packages/sklearn/ensemble/ _weight_boosting.py:527: FutureWarning: The SAMME.R algorithm (the default) is deprecated and will be removed in 1.6. Use the SAMME algorithm to circumvent this warning.

warnings.warn(

Adaboost Results:

Accuracy: 0.9455619117918436

ROC_AUC_Score: 0.9887520722939999

Classification Report:

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	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.93	0.89	0.91	4935
1	0.95	0.97	0.96	11322
accuracy			0.95	16257
macro avg	0.94	0.93	0.93	16257
weighted avg	0.95	0.95	0.95	16257

Gradient Boosting Results:

```
Accuracy: 0.9654302761887187
ROC AUC Score: 0.9940104416950475
Classification Report:
                              recall f1-score
                precision
                                                  support
           0
                    0.94
                              0.94
                                         0.94
                                                    4935
           1
                    0.98
                              0.97
                                         0.98
                                                   11322
                                         0.97
                                                   16257
    accuracy
                    0.96
                              0.96
                                         0.96
                                                   16257
   macro avg
weighted avg
                    0.97
                              0.97
                                         0.97
                                                   16257
# Compare Results of Individual Models ---
# Create a DataFrame for comparison of individual models
individual results df imb = pd.DataFrame(individual result imb).T
print("\nComparison of Individual Models:\n",
individual results df imb.sort values(by='ROC AUC IMB',
ascending=False))
Comparison of Individual Models:
                                      ROC AUC IMB
                       Accuracy IMB
Random Forest
                          0.972\overline{0}74
                                        0.995\overline{446}
Gradient Boosting
                          0.965430
                                        0.994010
Adaboost
                          0.945562
                                        0.988752
                          0.930861
                                        0.972891
SVM
Logistic Regression
                          0.863874
                                        0.909558
Naive Bayes
                          0.816018
                                        0.887943
```

Observation:

- Random Forest and Gradient Boosting show the highest accuracy and ROC AUC, indicating strong predictive performance on the imbalanced dataset. They seem to be the best-performing individual models out of those tested.
- Logistic Regression has a lower accuracy compared to ensemble methods (Random Forest, Gradient Boosting, AdaBoost). Its performance is decent, but it lags behind the ensemble models.
- SVM performs reasonably well, with a ROC AUC score that is not significantly lower than the top-performing models. Its accuracy might be lower, but it still shows good discrimination between the two classes. Its absence of a predict_proba method made it harder to evaluate the ROC_AUC.
- Adaboost shows decent performance, showing promise but not outperforming Random Forest and Gradient Boosting. It might be worth further investigation with hyperparameter tuning or different base estimators.
- Naive Bayes underperforms compared to other models. Its simplicity and assumptions may not align well with the characteristics of this dataset, leading to lower accuracy and ROC_AUC. The large discrepancy between Naive Bayes's performance and the others suggests that more complex models capture the patterns in the data better.

2. Techniques to Improve Model Accuracy

Here we will implement 3 techniques

- 1. Ensemble Technique (Stacking Classifier)
- 2. HyperParameter Tunning on Top Model amoung the individual models
- 3. Using SMOTE technique to handle imbalance data and then build individual models again and evaluate them

```
# 1. Applying Stacking Ensemble Model ---
# Stacking Classifier
stacking model = StackingClassifier(
    estimators=[
        ('rf', RandomForestClassifier(random state=42)),
        ('gb', GradientBoostingClassifier(random_state=42)),
        ('svm', SVC(probability=True, random state=42))
    ],
    final estimator=LogisticRegression()
)
# Train the stacking model
stacking_model.fit(x_train, y_train)
# Evaluate the stacking model
y_pred_stack = stacking_model.predict(x_test)
y_proba_stack = stacking model.predict proba(x test)[:, 1]
acc_stack = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_stack)
roc_auc_stack = roc_auc_score(y_test, y_proba_stack)
print("\nStacking Classifier Results:")
print("Accuracy:", acc_stack)
print("ROC AUC Score:", roc_auc_stack)
print("Classification Report:\n", classification_report(y_test,
y_pred_stack))
Stacking Classifier Results:
Accuracy: 0.9713969367041889
ROC AUC Score: 0.9957475086386224
Classification Report:
               precision
                            recall f1-score
                                                support
           0
                   0.95
                             0.96
                                        0.95
                                                  4935
           1
                   0.98
                             0.98
                                        0.98
                                                 11322
                                        0.97
                                                 16257
    accuracy
   macro avq
                   0.96
                             0.97
                                        0.97
                                                 16257
weighted avg
                   0.97
                             0.97
                                        0.97
                                                 16257
```

```
# Compare Results of Stacking vs Individual Models ---
# Add Stacking results to the comparison DataFrame
individual results df imb.loc['Stacking Classifier'] =
{'Accuracy IMB': acc stack, 'ROC AUC IMB': roc auc stack}
# Final Comparison of All Models
print("\nFinal Comparison of All Models (Including Stacking):\n",
individual results df imb.sort values(by='ROC AUC IMB',
ascending=False))
Final Comparison of All Models (Including Stacking):
                      Accuracy IMB ROC AUC IMB
Stacking Classifier
                         0.971397
                                      0.995748
Random Forest
                         0.972074
                                      0.995446
Gradient Boosting
                         0.965430
                                      0.994010
Adaboost
                         0.945562
                                      0.988752
SVM
                         0.930861
                                      0.972891
Logistic Regression
                         0.863874
                                      0.909558
Naive Bayes
                         0.816018
                                      0.887943
```

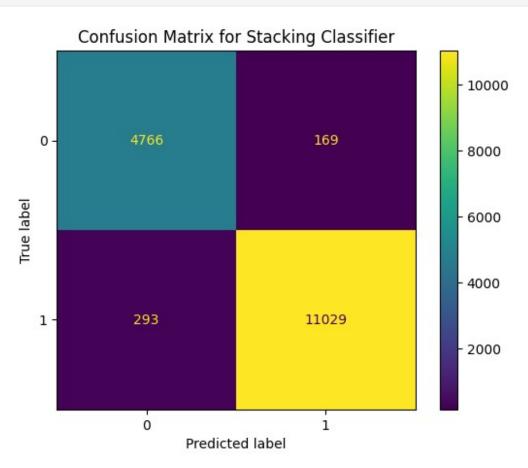
Clearly Stacking Ensemble has improved the accuracy and ROC_AUC Score

```
# 2.Hyperparameter Tuning for the Best Model ---
# Select the best model based on ROC AUC (we are considering ROC AUC
not accuracy because we are working on imbalance data so
# Accuracy is not reliable measure for model evaluation)
# For imbalanced datasets, ROC AUC score is generally a better
evaluation metric than accuracy
# because it evaluates the model's ability to distinguish between the
classes without being biased by class imbalances.
best model name = individual results df imb['ROC AUC IMB'].idxmax()
Find the model with highest ROC AUC
# Check if the best model is the Stacking Classifier
if best model name == 'Stacking Classifier':
   best model = stacking model # Use the stacking model if it's the
best
else:
   best model = models[best model name] # Otherwise, use the model
from the models dictionary
print(f"\nBest Model: {best model name}")
Best Model: Stacking Classifier
```

So the best model is obviously the Stacking Classifier based on ROC_AUC_Score since its ensemble technque which we have used to improve the model performance, our focus will be on individual model and the best individual model after Stacking Technique is Random Forest on the basis of ROC_AUC_SCORE, so now we will perform hyperparameter tunning on Random Forest to see if model performance can be improved.

```
# Hyperparameter tuning for the best individual model, Random Forest
param grid rf = {
        'n estimators': [100, 200],
        'max depth': [10, 20],
        'min_samples_split': [2, 5],
        'min samples leaf': [1, 2]
    }
grid search rf = GridSearchCV(RandomForestClassifier(random state=1),
                               param grid rf,
                               cv=3,
                               scoring='roc auc',
                               n jobs=-1
grid search rf.fit(x train, y train)
print("Best Parameters for Random Forest:",
grid search rf.best params )
Best Parameters for Random Forest: {'max depth': 20,
'min samples leaf': 1, 'min samples split': 5, 'n estimators': 200}
# Using the best params to fit a model
best rf model = grid search rf.best estimator
y pred rf = best rf model.predict(x test)
print("\nBest Random Forest Classification Report:")
print(classification report(y test, y pred rf))
Best Random Forest Classification Report:
                           recall f1-score
              precision
                                               support
           0
                   0.94
                             0.97
                                        0.95
                                                  4935
           1
                   0.98
                             0.97
                                        0.98
                                                 11322
    accuracy
                                        0.97
                                                 16257
                   0.96
                             0.97
                                        0.97
                                                 16257
   macro avg
weighted avg
                   0.97
                             0.97
                                        0.97
                                                 16257
# Evaluate Best Model Performance ---
# Confusion matrix for the best model
```

```
from sklearn.metrics import ConfusionMatrixDisplay
ConfusionMatrixDisplay.from_estimator(best_rf_model, x_test, y_test)
plt.title(f"Confusion Matrix for {best_model_name}")
plt.show()
```



```
Random Forest Performance After Hyper Parameter Tunning: Accuracy: 0.9820385064895122
ROC_AUC_Score: 0.969937996283428
```

As we can observe the accuracy has been increase however the roc_auc scroe is decreased a bit

```
# 3. Apply SMOTE Techninue for Imbalance Data
smote = SMOTE(random state=1)
x resampled, y resampled = smote.fit resample(x train, y train)
# Check class distribution after SMOTE
print("Class distribution after SMOTE:",
pd.Series(y resampled).value counts())
Class distribution after SMOTE: IsStatBarred
     45455
     45455
Name: count, dtype: int64
# Checking Individual Model Performance After SMOTE
models = {
    'Logistic Regression' : LogisticRegression(random state=1),
    'SVM' : SVC(probability=True, random state =1),
    'Naive Bayes' : GaussianNB(),
    'Random Forest': RandomForestClassifier(random state=1),
    'Adaboost' : AdaBoostClassifier(random state=1),
    'Gradient Boosting' : GradientBoostingClassifier(random state=1)
}
# Training and Evaluation the models
individual result = {}
for model name, model in models.items():
 model.fit(x resampled,y resampled)
 y pred = model.predict(x test)
  y proba = model.predict proba(x test)[:, 1] if hasattr(model,
"predict proba") else None # Here hasattr() is use to check
                                                    # if the model
object has any attribute name 'predict probe' if yes it will
                                                    # execute the
attribute else it will store None
  accuracy = accuracy score(y test,y pred)
  roc_auc = roc_auc_score(y_test, y_proba) if y_proba is not None else
None # Again if y proba is not None only then it will
```

```
# will execute else it will store None into it.
  individual result[model name] = {'Accuracy': accuracy, 'ROC AUC':
roc_auc}
  print(f"\n{model name} Results:")
  print("Accuracy:", accuracy)
  if roc auc:
    print("ROC AUC Score:", roc auc)
  print("Classification Report:\n", classification_report(y test,
y_pred))
Logistic Regression Results:
Accuracy: 0.8603063295811035
ROC AUC Score: 0.911653527298083
Classification Report:
               precision
                            recall f1-score
                                                support
           0
                   0.74
                             0.83
                                        0.78
                                                  4935
           1
                   0.92
                             0.88
                                        0.90
                                                 11322
    accuracy
                                        0.86
                                                 16257
                                        0.84
                   0.83
                             0.85
                                                 16257
   macro avq
                                        0.86
weighted avg
                   0.87
                             0.86
                                                 16257
SVM Results:
Accuracy: 0.9351048778987513
ROC AUC Score: 0.973480041815461
Classification Report:
               precision
                             recall f1-score
                                                support
                   0.86
                             0.94
                                        0.90
           0
                                                  4935
           1
                   0.97
                              0.93
                                        0.95
                                                 11322
                                        0.94
                                                 16257
    accuracy
   macro avq
                   0.92
                             0.94
                                        0.93
                                                 16257
weighted avg
                   0.94
                             0.94
                                        0.94
                                                 16257
Naive Bayes Results:
Accuracy: 0.8289352279018269
ROC AUC Score: 0.8882420414335308
Classification Report:
               precision
                             recall f1-score
                                                support
           0
                   0.76
                             0.63
                                        0.69
                                                  4935
           1
                   0.85
                              0.91
                                        0.88
                                                 11322
                                        0.83
                                                 16257
    accuracy
                             0.77
                                        0.79
                                                 16257
                   0.81
   macro avg
```

weighted avg	0.82	0.83	0.82	16257
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Random Forest Results:

Accuracy: 0.9709663529556499

ROC AUC Score: 0.9952875904690672

Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.94	0.97	0.95	4935
1	0.99	0.97	0.98	11322
accuracy			0.97	16257
macro avg weighted avg	0.96 0.97	0.97 0.97	0.97 0.97	16257 16257

/usr/local/lib/python3.10/dist-packages/sklearn/ensemble/ _weight_boosting.py:527: FutureWarning: The SAMME.R algorithm (the default) is deprecated and will be removed in 1.6. Use the SAMME algorithm to circumvent this warning.

warnings.warn(

Adaboost Results:

Accuracy: 0.9558344097927047

ROC AUC Score: 0.9897729572948596

Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
	precision	recatt	11 30010	Support
0 1	0.92 0.97	0.94 0.96	0.93 0.97	4935 11322
accuracy macro avg weighted avg	0.95 0.96	0.95 0.96	0.96 0.95 0.96	16257 16257 16257

Gradient Boosting Results: Accuracy: 0.9629697976256382

ROC AUC Score: 0.9936316165978246

Classification Report:

Ctassificati	on report.			
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.92	0.96	0.94	4935
1	0.98	0.96	0.97	11322
accuracy			0.96	16257
macro avg	0.95	0.96	0.96	16257
weighted avg		0.96	0.96	16257

```
# Compare Results of Individual Models ---
# Create a DataFrame for comparison of individual models
individual results df = pd.DataFrame(individual result).T
print("\nComparison of Individual Models After SMOTE:\n",
individual results df.sort values(by='ROC AUC', ascending=False))
print("\nComparison of Individual Models Before SMOTE:\
n",individual results df imb.sort values(by='ROC AUC IMB',
ascending=False))
Comparison of Individual Models After SMOTE:
                                 ROC AUC
                      Accuracy
Random Forest
                     0.970966 0.995288
Gradient Boosting
                     0.962970 0.993632
Adaboost
                     0.955834 0.989773
SVM
                     0.935105 0.973480
Logistic Regression 0.860306 0.911654
Naive Bayes
                     0.828935 0.888242
Comparison of Individual Models Before SMOTE:
                      Accuracy IMB ROC AUC IMB
                         0.971397
Stacking Classifier
                                      0.995748
Random Forest
                         0.972074
                                      0.995446
Gradient Boosting
                         0.965430
                                      0.994010
Adaboost
                         0.945562
                                      0.988752
SVM
                         0.930861
                                      0.972891
Logistic Regression
                         0.863874
                                      0.909558
Naive Bayes
                         0.816018
                                      0.887943
# Comparing the individual model performance before and after SMOTE :
# Concatinating Both Datasets
compare df =
pd.concat([individual results df imb,individual results df],axis=1)
# Rearranging the columns
compare df =
compare df.reindex(columns=['Accuracy_IMB','Accuracy','ROC_AUC_IMB','R
OC AUC'1)
# Renaming the columns for better framing
compare_df = compare_df.rename(columns={'Accuracy_IMB':'Acc_Imb',
                                        'Accuracy':'Acc_SMOTE',
                                        'ROC AUC IMB': 'ROC AUC Imb',
                                        'ROC AUC': 'ROC AUC SMOTE'})
# Arranging the column on the basis of highest ROC AUC Score After
SMOTE in Descending Order:
```

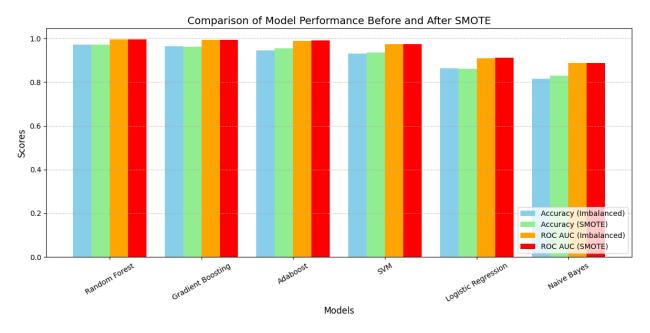
```
print("\nComparison of Individual Models Before and After SMOTE on the
basis of Highest ROC AUC Score Post SMOTE:\n\
n",compare df.sort values(by='ROC AUC SMOTE', ascending=False))
Comparison of Individual Models Before and After SMOTE on the basis of
Highest ROC AUC Score Post SMOTE:
                       Acc Imb Acc SMOTE ROC AUC Imb
                                                        ROC AUC SMOTE
                                0.970966
Random Forest
                     0.972074
                                             0.995446
                                                            0.995288
Gradient Boosting
                     0.965430
                                0.962970
                                             0.994010
                                                            0.993632
Adaboost
                     0.945562
                                0.955834
                                             0.988752
                                                            0.989773
SVM
                     0.930861
                                0.935105
                                             0.972891
                                                            0.973480
                                                            0.911654
                     0.863874
                                0.860306
                                             0.909558
Logistic Regression
Naive Bayes
                     0.816018
                                0.828935
                                             0.887943
                                                            0.888242
Stacking Classifier 0.971397
                                     NaN
                                             0.995748
                                                                 NaN
# Comparing the result of each model parameters before and after
applying SMOTE
print("\nObservations on Model Performance:")
for model in compare df.index[0:-1]:
  print(f"\nModel: {model}")
  accuracy_diff = compare_df.loc[model, 'Acc SMOTE'] -
compare df.loc[model, 'Acc Imb']
  roc auc diff = compare df.loc[model, 'ROC AUC SMOTE'] -
compare df.loc[model, 'ROC AUC Imb']
  print(f"- Accuracy Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced):
{accuracy_diff:.4f}")
  print(f"- ROC AUC Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced):
{roc auc diff:.4f}")
  if accuracy diff > 0:
    print("- Accuracy improved after SMOTE.")
  elif accuracy diff < 0:
   print("- Accuracy decreased after SMOTE.")
  else:
   print("- Accuracy remained the same after SMOTE.")
  if roc auc diff > 0:
   print("- ROC AUC improved after SMOTE.")
  elif roc auc diff < 0:
      print("- ROC AUC decreased after SMOTE.")
  else:
   print("- ROC AUC remained the same after SMOTE.")
Observations on Model Performance:
Model: Logistic Regression
- Accuracy Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): -0.0036
- ROC AUC Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): 0.0021
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- Accuracy decreased after SMOTE.
- ROC AUC improved after SMOTE.
Model: SVM
- Accuracy Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): 0.0042
- ROC AUC Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): 0.0006
- Accuracy improved after SMOTE.
- ROC AUC improved after SMOTE.
Model: Naive Bayes
- Accuracy Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): 0.0129
- ROC AUC Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): 0.0003
- Accuracy improved after SMOTE.
- ROC AUC improved after SMOTE.
Model: Random Forest
- Accuracy Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): -0.0011
- ROC AUC Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): -0.0002
- Accuracy decreased after SMOTE.
- ROC AUC decreased after SMOTE.
Model: Adaboost
- Accuracy Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): 0.0103
- ROC AUC Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): 0.0010
- Accuracy improved after SMOTE.
- ROC AUC improved after SMOTE.
Model: Gradient Boosting
- Accuracy Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): -0.0025
- ROC AUC Difference (SMOTE - Imbalanced): -0.0004
- Accuracy decreased after SMOTE.
- ROC AUC decreased after SMOTE.
# Visual Representaion of Model Comparison
df = compare df[:-1]
# Plot setup
x = np.arange(len(df["Model"])) # the label locations
width = 0.2 # the width of the bars
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 6))
# Bar plots
bars1 = ax.bar(x - 1.5*width, df["Acc Imb"], width, label="Accuracy"
(Imbalanced)", color='skyblue')
bars2 = ax.bar(x - 0.5*width, df["Acc SMOTE"], width, label="Accuracy"
(SMOTE)", color='lightgreen')
bars3 = ax.bar(x + 0.5*width, df["ROC AUC Imb"], width, label="ROC AUC
(Imbalanced)", color='orange')
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bars4 = ax.bar(x + 1.5*width, df["ROC_AUC_SMOTE"], width, label="ROC
AUC (SMOTE)", color='red')

# Add labels and customizations
ax.set_xlabel("Models", fontsize=12)
ax.set_ylabel("Scores", fontsize=12)
ax.set_title("Comparison of Model Performance Before and After SMOTE",
fontsize=14)
ax.set_xticks(x)
ax.set_xticklabels(df["Model"], rotation=30, fontsize=10)
ax.legend(loc='lower right', fontsize=10)
ax.grid(axis='y', linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)

# Show the plot
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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Observations:

- Logistic Regression, SVM, Naive Bayes, and Adaboost performed better with SMOTE in terms of ROC AUC, which is an essential metric for imbalanced data because it captures the trade-off between true positive rate (TPR) and false positive rate (FPR).
- Random Forest and Gradient Boosting did not benefit from SMOTE, likely because these models already have mechanisms to handle imbalanced data effectively (e.g., weighted splits and ensemble techniques).
- Overall Performance: While SMOTE improved the ROC AUC for some models, it did not significantly benefit Random Forest, and in some cases, it even slightly decreased performance. The Random Forest model after hyperparameter tuning already demonstrated good performance on the imbalanced dataset. Stacking provides a marginal increase in performance.

- Robustness: Random Forest generally handles class imbalance better than many other models. Its internal mechanisms help to address the issue without the need for oversampling.
- Interpretability: Random Forest models offer good interpretability compared to more complex ensemble techniques, such as Stacking. This can be beneficial for explaining model predictions to stakeholders.
- Computational Cost: Avoid SMOTE unless strictly necessary. It increases the size of the dataset, which can lead to longer training times without guaranteed improvement in performance.
- Tuning: Hyperparameter tuning has already been applied to the Random Forest, showing a potential for improvement over the base model.

In summary, the *Random Forest* model with hyperparameter tuning provides a good balance between performance, robustness, and computational efficiency for this imbalanced dataset.