TELCO CUSTOMER CHURN CLASSIFICATION

1 Telco Customer Churn Classification

1.1 Problem Statement: In the dynamic telecommunications landscape, customers are presented with many options to fulfill their communication and internet needs. Customer satisfaction stands as a cornerstone in this domain, given that individuals often formulate holistic perceptions of a company based on singular interactions. The omnipresent role of communication services in daily routines renders even a brief maintenance lapse of just 30 minutes capable of inducing user anxiety, emphasizing the critical nature of these services. Against the backdrop of substantial expenses associated with customer acquisition, scrutinizing churn rates emerges as an imperative endeavor.

Churn rate, a pivotal performance metric, serves to quantify the volume of customers who have terminated or declined to renew their subscriptions with the company. A heightened churn rate invariably corresponds with a larger cohort of customers disengaging from patronage, thereby exerting a detrimental impact on revenue streams. Consequently, distilling actionable insights from churn analysis assumes paramount importance for companies aiming to craft strategic interventions, target precise market segments, and elevate service standards to enrich overall customer experiences and cultivate enduring trust.

Thus, the development of predictive modeling frameworks and the generation of exhaustive churn analysis reports serve as linchpins in propelling business expansion and fortifying market positioning.

1.2 Objective:

The objective of this initiative is to conduct binary classification on an imbalanced dataset to identify potential churn customers. This classification task will leverage a combination of numerical and categorical features to enhance the predictive accuracy and robustness of the model.

1.3 Dataset Attributes:

- 1. customerID: Unique identifier for each customer.
- 2. gender: Gender of the customer (Male, Female).
- 3. SeniorCitizen: Indicator for whether the customer is a senior citizen (1 for Yes, 0 for No).
- 4. Partner: Indicator for whether the customer has a partner (Yes, No).
- 5. Dependents: Indicator for whether the customer has dependents (Yes, No).
- 6. tenure: Number of months the customer has been with the company.
- 7. PhoneService: Indicator for whether the customer has a phone service (Yes, No).
- 8. MultipleLines: Indicator for whether the customer has multiple lines (Yes, No, No phone service).
- 9. InternetService: Type of internet service provider for the customer (DSL, Fiber optic, No).
- 10. OnlineSecurity: Indicator for whether the customer has online security (Yes, No, No internet service).
- 11. OnlineBackup: Indicator for whether the customer has online backup (Yes, No, No internet service).
- 12. DeviceProtection: Indicator for whether the customer has device protection (Yes, No, No internet service).
- 13. TechSupport: Indicator for whether the customer has tech support (Yes, No, No internet service).
- 14. StreamingTV: Indicator for whether the customer has streaming TV (Yes, No, No internet service).
- 15. StreamingMovies: Indicator for whether the customer has streaming movies (Yes, No, No Internet Service).
- 16. Contract: The contract term of the customer (Month-to-month, One

- year, Two years).
- 17. Paperless Billing: Indicator for whether the customer has paperless billing (Yes, No).
- 18. PaymentMethod: The payment method used by the customer (Electronic check, Mailed check, Bank transfer (automatic), Credit card (automatic)).
- 19. MonthlyCharges: The amount charged to the customer monthly.
- 20. TotalCharges: The total amount charged to the customer.
- 21. Churn: Indicator for whether the customer churned (Yes, No

Import the Necessary Libraries:

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
import seaborn as sns
pd_options_display_float_format = "{:.2f}".format
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
```

```
data = pd_read_csv("WA_Fn-UseC_-Telco-Customer-Churn.csv")
     data.head()
        customerID gender SeniorCitizen Partner Dependents tenure PhoneService \
[2]:
     0 7590-VHVEG Female
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[5 rows x 21 columns]

[3]: data.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'> RangeIndex: 7043 entries, 0 to 7042 Data columns (total 21 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	customerID	7043 non-null	object
1	gender	7043 non-null	object
2	SeniorCitizen	7043 non-null	int64
3	Partner	7043 non-null	object
4	Dependents	7043 non-null	object
5	tenure	7043 non-null	int64
6	PhoneService	7043 non-null	object
7	MultipleLines	7043 non-null	object
8	InternetService	7043 non-null	object
9	OnlineSecurity	7043 non-null	object
10	OnlineBackup	7043 non-null	object
11	DeviceProtection	7043 non-null	object
12	TechSupport	7043 non-null	object
13	StreamingTV	7043 non-null	object
14	StreamingMovies	7043 non-null	object
15	Contract	7043 non-null	object
16	PaperlessBilling	7043 non-null	object
17	PaymentMethod	7043 non-null	object
18	MonthlyCharges	7043 non-null	float64
19	TotalCharges	7043 non-null	object
20	Churn	7043 non-null	object

dtypes: float64(1), int64(2), object(18)

memory usage: 1.1 + MB

[4]: data.columns

[4]: Index(['customerID', 'gender', 'SeniorCitizen', 'Partner', 'Dependents', 'tenure', 'PhoneService', 'MultipleLines', 'InternetService', 'OnlineSecurity', 'OnlineBackup', 'DeviceProtection', 'TechSupport', 'StreamingTV', 'StreamingMovies', 'Contract', 'PaperlessBilling', 'PaymentMethod', 'MonthlyCharges', 'TotalCharges', 'Churn'], dtype='object')

[5]: data.isnull().sum()

[5]: customerID	0
gender	0 0
SeniorCitizen	0
Partner	0 0
Dependents	0
tenure	0
PhoneService	0
MultipleLines	0
InternetService	0
OnlineSecurity	0
OnlineBackup	0
DeviceProtection	0
TechSupport	0
StreamingTV	0
StreamingMovies	0 0 0
Contract	0
PaperlessBilling	0
PaymentMethod	0
MonthlyCharges	0
TotalCharges	0
Churn	0
dtype: int64	

No null values present in the data!

[6]: data.describe().T

[6]:		count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max
	SeniorCitizen	7043.00	0.16	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
	tenure	7043.00	32.37	24.56	0.00	9.00	29.00	55.00	72.00
	MonthlyCharges	7043.00	64.76	30.09	18.25	35.50	70.35	89.85	118.75

The dataset has too many features with text data and are probably categorical features!

• Total Charges is a feature with numerical values but are stored in string datatype. First, we will convert this column into float.

```
[7]: #Converting DataFrame column elements from string to float using the following_
      ⇔code line :
     #data['TotalCharges'] = data['TotalCharges'].astype(float)
     # Identify non-convertible values
     non_convertible_values = data[data["TotalCharges"] == " "]["TotalCharges"]
     # Print unique non-convertible values
     print("Non-convertible values:", non_convertible_values.unique())
     # Replace ' ' with NaN
     data["TotalCharges"] = data["TotalCharges"]_replace(" ", np_nan)
     # Convert the column to float
     data["TotalCharges"] = data["TotalCharges"].astype(float)
     # Drop rows with '' in 'TotalCharges'
     data = data[data["TotalCharges"] != " "]
     # Convert the column to float
     data["TotalCharges"] = data["TotalCharges"].astype(float)
     data_drop(columns = ["customerID"], inplace = True)
```

Non-convertible values: [' ']

While converting the TotalCharges to float, an error occurred with the message describing that it could not convert string to float.

This error message popped up because of the empty strings present.

As these elements were defined as string, they did not appear as Null values and hence the missing values did not display anything. E.g: a ='

We drop the customerID column as well!

Let's divide the features into numerical and categorical features.

We will also execute the label encoding transformation for categorical features.

```
df1[i] = le.fit_transform(df1[i])
print(i, : ',df1[i].unique(), ' = ',le.inverse_transform(df1[i].unique()))
```

Label Encoder Transformation

gender: [0 1] = ['Female' 'Male']
Partner: [1 0] = ['Yes' 'No']
Dependents: [0 1] = ['No' 'Yes']
PhoneService: [0 1] = ['No' 'Yes']

MultipleLines : [1 0 2] = ['No phone service' 'No' 'Yes']
InternetService : [0 1 2] = ['DSL' 'Fiber optic' 'No']
OnlineSecurity : [0 2 1] = ['No' 'Yes' 'No internet service']
OnlineBackup : [2 0 1] = ['Yes' 'No' 'No internet service']
DeviceProtection : [0 2 1] = ['No' 'Yes' 'No internet service']
TechSupport : [0 2 1] = ['No' 'Yes' 'No internet service']
StreamingTV : [0 2 1] = ['No' 'Yes' 'No internet service']
StreamingMovies : [0 2 1] = ['No' 'Yes' 'No internet service']
Contract : [0 1 2] = ['Month-to-month' 'One year' 'Two year']

PaperlessBilling: [1 0] = ['Yes' 'No']

PaymentMethod: [2 3 0 1] = ['Electronic check' 'Mailed check' 'Bank

transfer (automatic)'

'Credit card (automatic)'] Churn: [0 1] = ['No' 'Yes']

We creating a deep copy of the orignal dataset and label encoding the text data.

Modifications in the original dataset will not be highlighted in this deep copy.

Hence, we use this deep copy of dataset that has all the features converted into numerical values for visualization & modeling purposes.

We now again the descriptive stats of the data.

[9]: df1.describe()

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[9]:		gender	SeniorCitizen	Partner	Dependents	tenure	PhoneService \
	count	7043.00	7043.00	7043.00	7043.00	7043.00	7043.00
	mean	0.50	0.16	0.48	0.30	32.37	0.90
	std	0.50	0.37	0.50	0.46	24.56	0.30
	min	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	25%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00	1.00
	50%	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29.00	1.00
	75%	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	55.00	1.00
	max	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	72.00	1.00

	MultipleLines	internetService	OnlineSecurity	OnlineBackup \	
count	7043.00	7043.00	7043.00	7043.00	
mean	0.94	0.87	0.79	0.91	
std	0.95	0.74	0.86	0.88	
min	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
25%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

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<pre>[10]: colors = ["#E94B3C", "#2D2926"] churn = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1].describe().T not_churn = df1[df1["Churn"] == 0].describe().T fig,ax = plt.subplots(nrows = 1,ncols = 2,figsize = (5,5)) plt.subplot(1,2,1) sns.heatmap(churn[["mean"]],annot = True,cmap = colors,linewidths = 0.</pre>							
	fig.tigh	nt_layout(pad = 0)				



Mean values of all the features for churned and not-churned customers.

Clearly, the customers that churned had a low mean tenure of 17.98 months as compared to those who continued with an average tenure period of 37.57 months.

Mean values of OnlineSecurity, OnlineBackup, DeviceProtection and TechSupport are higher for not-churned customers than churn customers. This can serve as a good indicator or point to focus on!

Churned customer's Contract value is much smaller than those of not-churned customers.

Mean MonthlyCharges of the churn customers, 74.44, is more than that of not-churn customers, 61.27.

Not-churned customers TotalCharges, 2555.34, is higher than churn customers, 1531.80.

From these mean values, we can say that some of the features display a clear cut difference that can help to focus more churn customers to make sure they retain the services.

The dataset has too many categorical features, hence mean values of the features are present in the

vicinity of o.

We will now move on to the EDA section and look into the features with more detail!

2 Exploratory Data Analysis

```
[11]: #Dividing features into Numerical and Categorical :

col = list(df1.columns)
categorical_features = []
numerical_features = []
for i in col:
    if len(df1[i].unique()) > 6:
        numerical_features.append(i)
    else:
        categorical_features.append(i)

print('Categorical Features :',*categorical_features)
print('Numerical Features :',*numerical_features)
```

Categorical Features: gender SeniorCitizen Partner Dependents PhoneService MultipleLines InternetService OnlineSecurity OnlineBackup DeviceProtection TechSupport StreamingTV StreamingMovies Contract PaperlessBilling PaymentMethod Churn

Numerical Features : tenure MonthlyCharges TotalCharges

Here, categorical features are defined if the the attribute has less than 6 unique elements else it is a numerical feature.

Typical approach for this division of features can also be based on the datatypes of the elements of the respective attribute.

Eg: datatype = integer, attribute = numerical feature; datatype = string, attribute = categorical feature

For this dataset, as the number of features are less, we can manually check the dataset as well.

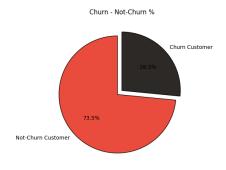
2.1 Target Variable Visualization (Churn)

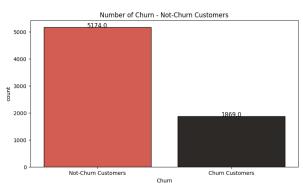
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[12]: colors = ["#E94B3C", "#2D2926"]
# Assuming 'Churn' is a categorical variable with values 'Yes' and 'No'

I = list(df1["Churn"].value_counts())
circle = [I[0] / sum(I) * 100, I[1] / sum(I) * 100]

# Create subplots
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2, figsize=(20, 5))

# Pie chart
```





The dataset is unbalanced in a near about 3:1 ratio for Not-Churn: Churn customers!

Due to this, predictions will be biased towards Not-Churn customers.

Visualizations will also display this bias!

2.2 Categorical Features vs Target Variable (Churn)

[13]: categorical_features.remove("Churn")

We will remove Churn, target variable, from the categorical features list for visualization purposes.

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13 = ["Contract", "PaperlessBilling", "PaymentMethod"] # Payment Information
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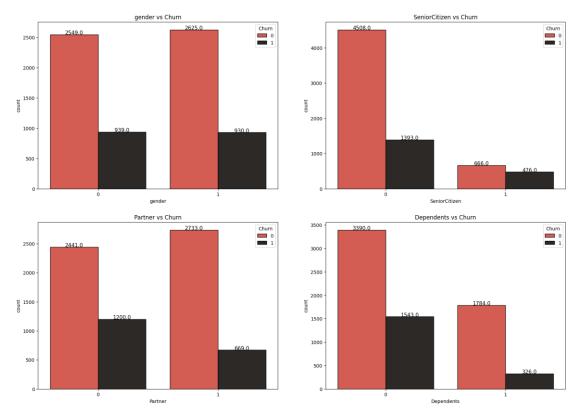
We have too many categorical features in this dataset!

We divide them into 3 groups depending on their values or based on the column name!

2.2.1 Group 1: Customer Information:

gender | SeniorCitizen | Partner | Dependents |

```
fig = plt.subplots(nrows = 2,ncols = 2,figsize = (20,14))
for i in range(len(l1)):
    plt.subplot(2,2,i+1)
    ax = sns.countplot(x=l1[i],data = df1,hue = "Churn",palette = colors,edgecolor = "black")
    for rect in ax.patches:
        ax.text(rect.get_x() + rect.get_width() / 2, rect.get_height() + 2,colors,edget_height(), horizontalalignment="center", fontsize = 11)
    title = l1[i] + " vs Churn"
    plt.title(title);
```



Customer churning for male & female customers is very similar to each other! Similarly, number of SeniorCitizen customers is pretty low! Out of that, we can observe a near about 40% churn of SeniorCitizen customers. It accounts for a total of 476 customers out of 1142 Senior Citizen customers.

Customers who are housing with a Partner churned less as compared to those not living with a Partner.

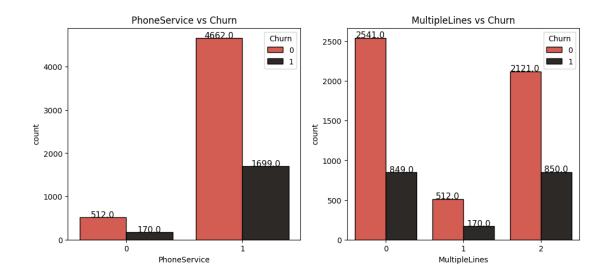
Similarly, churning is high for the customers that don't have Dependents with them!

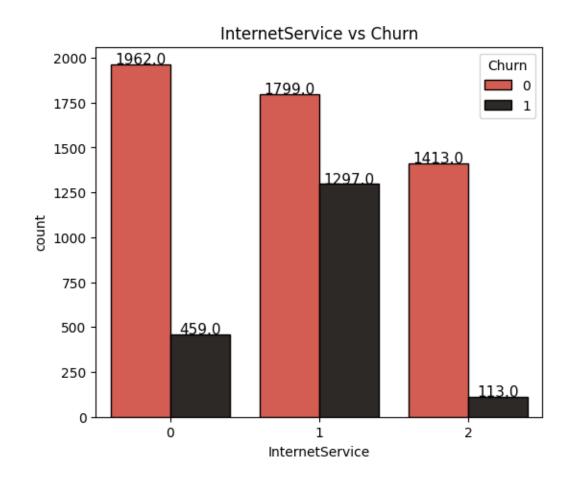
2.2.2 Group 2: Services Subscribed by the Customer:

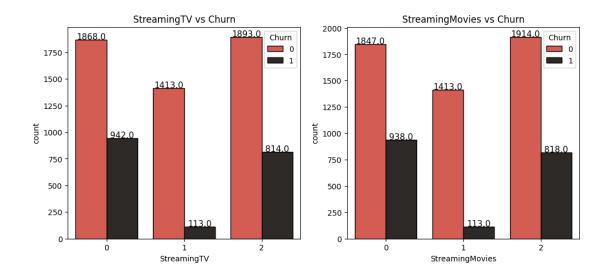
For visualization purposes, we will create 2 groups!

PhoneService | MultipleLines | InternetService | StreamingTV | StreamingMovies |

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[16]: fig = plt.subplots(nrows = 1,ncols = 2,figsize = (12,5))
      for i in range(len(l2[0:2])):
         plt.subplot(1,2,i+1)
          ax = sns_countplot(x=12[i],data = df1,hue = "Churn",palette =_
       ⇔colors,edgecolor = "black")
          for rect in ax.patches:
              ax.text(rect.get_x() + rect.get_width() / 2, rect.get_height() + 2,...
       Grect.get_height(), horizontalalignment="center", fontsize = 11)
          title = I2[i] + vs Churn
          plt.title(title);
      fig = plt.subplots(nrows = 1, ncols = 1, figsize = (6,5))
      plt.subplot(1,1,1)
      ax = sns_countplot(x=12[2],data = df1,hue = "Churn",palette = colors,edgecolor_
       ⇒= "black")
      for rect in ax.patches:
          ax.text(rect.get_x() + rect.get_width() / 2, rect.get_height() + 2, rect.
       get_height(), horizontalalignment="center", fontsize = 11)
      title = 12[2] + vs Churn
      plt.title(title);
      fig = plt.subplots(nrows = 1,ncols = 2,figsize = (12,5))
      for i in range(len(l2[3:5])):
         plt_subplot(1,2,i+1)
          ax = sns_countplot(x=12[i + 3], data = df1, hue = "Churn", palette = ...
       ⇔colors,edgecolor = "black")
          for rect in ax.patches:
              ax.text(rect.get_x() + rect.get_width() / 2, rect.get_height() + 2,
       Grect.get_height(), horizontalalignment="center", fontsize = 11)
          title = 12[i + 3] + " vs Churn"
          plt.title(title);
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For PhoneService, despite having no phone service, more customers were retained as compared to the number of customers who dropped the services.

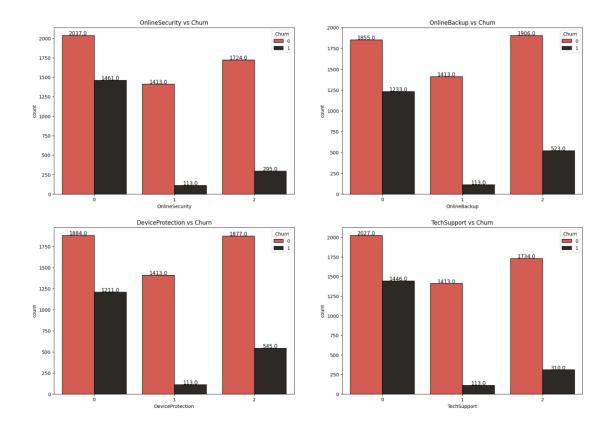
In case of MultipleLines, churn rate in when the Multiplelines are present or not is the same.

A high number of customers have displayed their resistance towards the use of Fiber optic cables for providing the InternetService. On the contrary, from the above graph, customers prefer using DSL for their InternetService!

StreamingTV and StreamingMovies display an identical graph. Irrespective of being subscribed to StreamingTV & StreamingMovies, a lot of customers have been churned. Looks like the streaming content was not entirely at fault!

2.2.3 Group 2: Services Subscribed by the Customer:

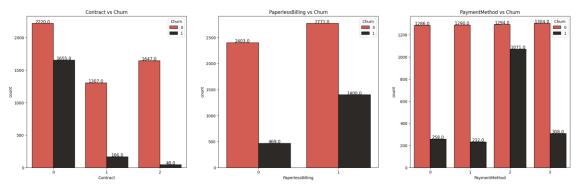
OnlineSecurity | OnlineBackup | DeviceProtection | TechSupport |



When it comes down to catering the customers, services w.r.t OnlineSecurity, OnlineBackup, DeviceProtection & TechSupport are crucial from the above visualizations!

A high number of customers have switched their service provider when it comes down poor services with the above mentioned features.

2.2.4 Group 3: Contract | PaperlessBilling | PaymentMethod



Customer churning for a Month-to-Month based Contract is quite high. This is probably because the customers are testing out the varied services available to them and hence, in order to save money, 1 month service is tested out!

Another reason can be the overall experience with the internet service, streaming service and phone service were not consistent. Every customer has a different priority and hence if one of the 3 was upto par, the entire service was cutoff!

PaperlessBilling displays a high number of customers being churned out. This is probably because of some payment issue or receipt issues.

Customers clearly resented the Electronic check PaymentMethod. Out of the 2365 number of bills paid using Electronic check, a staggering 1071 customers exited the pool of service due to this payment method. Company definitely needs to either drop Electronic check method or make it hassle-free and user-friendly

2.3 Categorical Features vs Positive Target Variable (Churn Cases):

We will now point our attention directly towards to the churn customers!

3.3.1 Group 1: Customer Information:

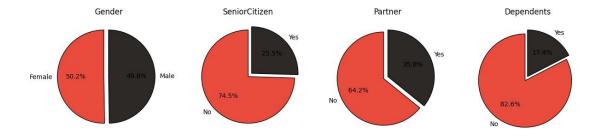
```
gender | SeniorCitizen | Partner | Dependents |
[1 9] gender = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["gender"].value_counts()
      gender = [gender[0] / sum(gender) * 100, gender[1] / sum(gender) * 100] #_
       →Female / Male
      seniorcitizen = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["SeniorCitizen"].value_counts()
      seniorcitizen = [seniorcitizen[0] / sum(seniorcitizen) * 100,seniorcitizen[1] /_
       sum(seniorcitizen) * 100] # No - Yes
      partner = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["Partner"].value_counts()
      partner = [partner[0] / sum(partner) * 100,partner[1] / sum(partner) * 100] #_
       →No - Yes
      dependents = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["Dependents"].value_counts()
      dependents = [dependents[0] / sum(dependents) * 100,dependents[1] /...
       →sum(dependents) * 100] # No - Yes
[20]: ax,fiq = plt.subplots(nrows = 1,ncols = 4,fiqsize = (15,15))
      plt.subplot(1,4,1)
      plt.pie(gender, labels = ["Female", "Male"], autopct="%1.1f%", startangle =_
       90,explode = (0.1,0),colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = {"edgecolor" : "black","linewidth": 1,"antialiased" : True})
      plt_title("Gender");
      plt.subplot(1,4,2)
      plt_pie(seniorcitizen,labels = ["No", "Yes"],autopct="%1.1f%%",startangle =_
       90,explode = (0,0.1),colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = { "edgecolor" : "black", "linewidth": 1, "antialiased" : True})
      plt.title("SeniorCitizen");
      plt.subplot(1,4,3)
      plt_pie(partner,labels = ["No", "Yes"],autopct="%1.1f%%",startangle = 90,explode_
       = (0.1,0),colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = {"edgecolor" : "black","linewidth": 1,"antialiased" : True})
      plt.title("Partner");
      plt.subplot(1,4,4)
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wedgeprops = {"edgecolor" : "black", "linewidth": 1, "antialiased" : True})

plt.pie(dependents, labels = ["No", "Yes"], autopct="%1.1f%,", startangle = __

90,explode = (0.1,0),colors = colors,

plt_title("Dependents");



We can observe a clear cut 50% - 50% split between the male and female customers that have switched their services. Hence, the reason for switching is something related to the service or some process which the customers reacted badly!

75% of the churned customers are not SeniorCitizen! This is a major info that the company needs to divert it's attention towards!

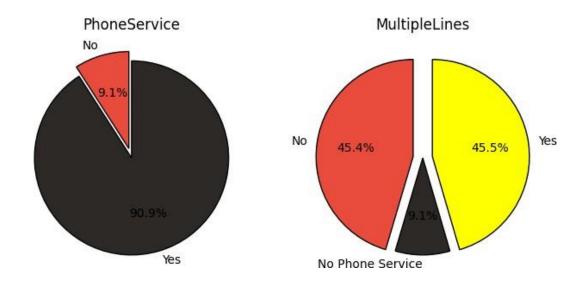
Customers living by themselves have cutoff the services. From Partners & Dependents data, average of 73.4% of customers churned out were living by themselves.

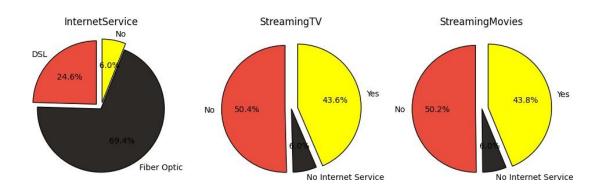
3.3.2 Group 2: Services Subscribed by the Customer:

PhoneService | MultipleLines | InternetService | StreamingTV | StreamingMovies |

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[21]: phoneservice = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["PhoneService"].value_counts()
      phoneservice = [phoneservice[0] / sum(phoneservice) * 100, phoneservice[1] /_
       sum(phoneservice) * 100] # No - Yes
      multiplelines = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["MultipleLines"].value_counts()
      multiplelines = [multiplelines[0] / sum(multiplelines) * 100,multiplelines[1] /
       sum(multiplelines) * 100, multiplelines[2] / sum(multiplelines) * 100] # No...
       → No Phone Service - Yes
      internetservice = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["InternetService"].value_counts()
      internetservice = [internetservice[0] / sum(internetservice) *...
       4100,internetservice[1] / sum(internetservice) * 100, internetservice[2] /_
       sum(internetservice) * 100] # DSL - Fiber Optic - No
      streamingty = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["StreamingTV"]_value_counts()
      streamingtv = [streamingtv[0] / sum(streamingtv) * 100,streamingtv[1] /...
       sum(streamingtv) * 100, streamingtv[2] / sum(streamingtv) * 100] # No - No
       □Internet Service - Yes
      streamingmovies = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["StreamingMovies"].value_counts()
      streamingmovies = [streamingmovies[0] / sum(streamingmovies) *...
       4100, streamingmovies[1] / sum(streamingmovies) * 100, streamingmovies[2] /
       sum(streamingmovies) * 1001 # No - No Internet Service - Yes
```

```
[22]: colors = ["#E94B3C","#2D2926", "#FFFF00"]
      ax,fig = plt.subplots(nrows = 1,ncols = 2,figsize = (8,8))
      plt.subplot(1,2,1)
      plt_pie(phoneservice, labels = ['No', 'Yes'], autopct='%1.1f\%', startangle =_
       90,explode = (0.1,0),colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = { "edgecolor" : "black", "linewidth": 1, "antialiased" : True})
      plt.title('PhoneService');
      plt.subplot(1,2,2)
      plt.pie(multiplelines, labels = ["No", "No Phone Service", "Yes"], autopct="%1.
       ≤1f‰, startangle = 90, explode = (0.1,0,0.1), colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = { "edgecolor" : "black", "linewidth": 1, "antialiased" : True})
      plt.title('MultipleLines');
      ax,fig = plt.subplots(nrows = 1,ncols = 3,figsize = (12,12))
      plt.subplot(1,3,1)
      plt_pie(internetservice, labels = ['DSL', 'Fiber Optic', 'No'], autopct='%1.
       51f\%, startangle = 90, explode = (0.1,0,0.1), colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = {"edgecolor" : "black", "linewidth": 1, "antialiased" : True})
      plt.title('InternetService');
      plt.subplot(1,3,2)
      plt.pie(streamingtv, labels = ["No", "No Internet Service", "Yes"], autopct="%1.
       51f\%, startangle = 90, explode = (0.1,0,0.1), colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = {"edgecolor" : "black","linewidth": 1,"antialiased" : True})
      plt_title("StreamingTV");
      plt.subplot(1,3,3)
      plt_pie(streamingmovies, labels = ["No", "No Internet_
       Service, "Yes], autopct="%1.1f%", startangle = 90, explode = (0.1,0,0.
       □1),colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = {"edgecolor" : "black","linewidth": 1,"antialiased" : True})
      plt_title("StreamingMovies");
```





Despite providing PhoneService, a high percentage of customers have switched!

Similarly, availability of MultipleLines did not matter, as customer unsubscription was carried out regardless!

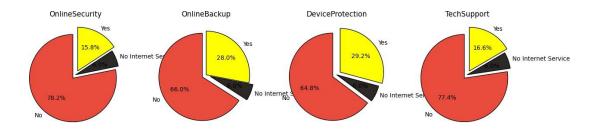
Customers definitely did not appreciate the approach of Fiber Optic cables for providing Internet-Service with a solid 70% opting out from the services!

For StreamingTV & StreamingMovies, customers without these services definitely cancelled their subscription, however an average of 43.7% of customers switched despite consuming the streaming content.

3.3.3 Group 2: Services Subscribed by the Customer:

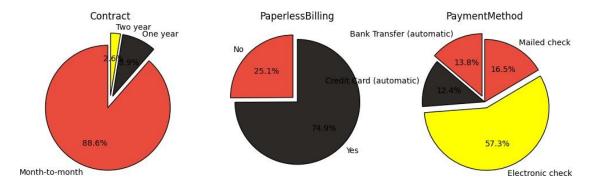
OnlineSecurity | OnlineBackup | DeviceProtection | TechSupport |

```
[23]: onlinesecurity = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["OnlineSecurity"]_value_counts()
      onlinesecurity = [onlinesecurity[0] / sum(onlinesecurity) *...
        4100, onlinesecurity[1] / sum(onlinesecurity) * 100, onlinesecurity[2] /_
        □ sum(onlinesecurity) * 100] # No - No Internet Service - Yes
      onlinebackup = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["OnlineBackup"].value_counts()
      onlinebackup = [onlinebackup[0] / sum(onlinebackup) * 100,onlinebackup[1] /___
        sum(onlinebackup) * 100, onlinebackup[2] / sum(onlinebackup) * 100] # No -...
        Solution No Internet Service - Yes → No Internet Service - Yes
      deviceprotection = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["DeviceProtection"].value_counts()
      deviceprotection = [deviceprotection[0] / sum(deviceprotection) *_
        4100,deviceprotection[1] / sum(deviceprotection) * 100, deviceprotection[2] /_
        →sum(deviceprotection) * 100] # No - No Internet Service - Yes
      techsupport = df1[df1["Churn"] == 1]["TechSupport"].value_counts()
      techsupport = [techsupport[0] / sum(techsupport) * 100,techsupport[1] /_
        sum(techsupport) * 100, techsupport[2] / sum(techsupport) * 100] # No - No.
        SInternet Service - Yes
[24]: colors = ["#E94B3C","#2D2926", "#FFFF00"]
      ax,fig = plt.subplots(nrows = 1,ncols = 4,figsize = (15,15))
      plt.subplot(1,4,1)
      plt_pie(onlinesecurity, labels = ["No", "No Internet Service", "Yes"], autopct="%1.
        startangle = 90,explode = (0.1,0,0.1),colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = { "edgecolor" : "black", "linewidth": 1, "antialiased" : True})
      plt.title("OnlineSecurity");
      plt.subplot(1,4,2)
      plt_pie(onlinebackup,labels = ["No", "No Internet Service", "Yes"],autopct="%1.
        41f\%, startangle = 90, explode = (0.1,0.1,0), colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = { "edgecolor" : "black", "linewidth": 1, "antialiased" : True})
      plt.title("OnlineBackup");
      plt.subplot(1,4,3)
      plt_pie(deviceprotection, labels = ["No", "No Internet_
        Service, "Yes], autopct="%1.1f%,", startangle = 90, explode = (0.1,0,0.
        □1),colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = {"edgecolor" : "black","linewidth": 1,"antialiased" : True})
      plt.title('DeviceProtection');
      plt.subplot(1,4,4)
      plt_pie(techsupport, labels = ["No", "No Internet Service", "Yes"], autopct="%1.
        _{\circ}1f\%, startangle = 90, explode = (0.1,0,0.1), colors = colors,
             wedgeprops = {"edgecolor" : "black","linewidth": 1,"antialiased" : True})
      plt_title("TechSupport");
```



Above pie charts stress out the significance of providing OnlineSecurity, OnlineBackup, DeviceProtection & TechSupport as an average of 71.6% customers cutoff their services due to lack of these features!

3.3.4 Group 3 : Contract | PaperlessBilling | PaymentMethod |



Month-to-Month Contract duration has the dominating share when it comes churning with a massive 88.6% customers!

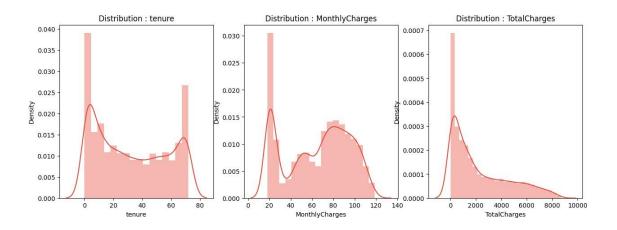
PaperlessBilling does not seemed to be appreciated by the customers!

Electronic check definitely needs to be sorted as it accounts for 57.3% of churn. It is then followed by Mailed check, Bank Transfer (automatic) & Credit Card (automatic)!

2.4 Numerical Features:

Distribution of Numerical Features:

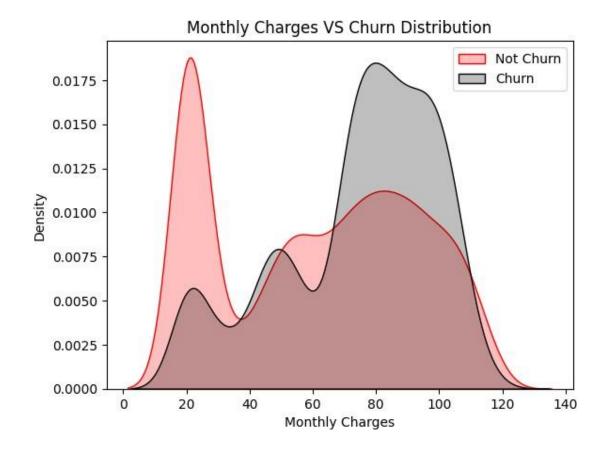
```
[27]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows = 1,ncols = 3,figsize = (15,5))
for i in range(len(numerical_features)):
    plt.subplot(1,3,i+1)
    sns.distplot(df1[numerical_features[i]],color = colors[0])
    title = "Distribution : " + numerical_features[i]
    plt.title(title)
plt.show()
```



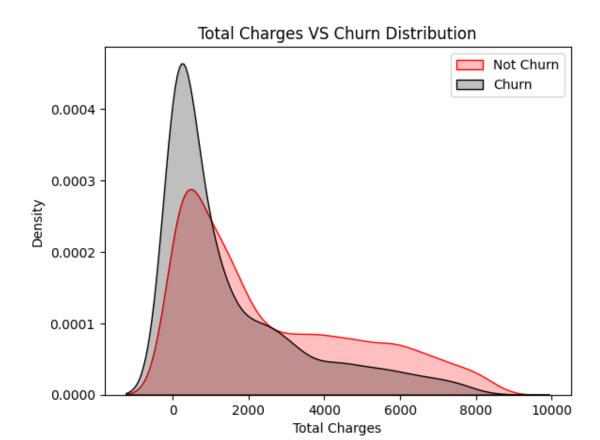
tenure and MonthlyCharges kind of create a bimodal distribution with peaks present at 0 - 70 and 20 - 80 respectively.

TotalCharges displays a positively or rightly skewed distribution.

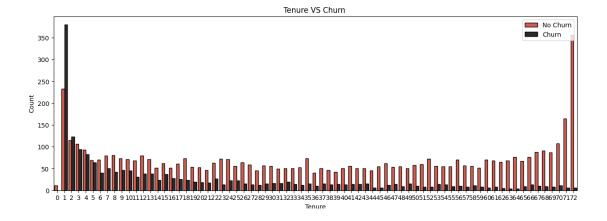
2.5 Numerical Features w.r.t Target Variable (Outcome):



High Monthly Charges are also one of a reason which makes Customers more likely to churn



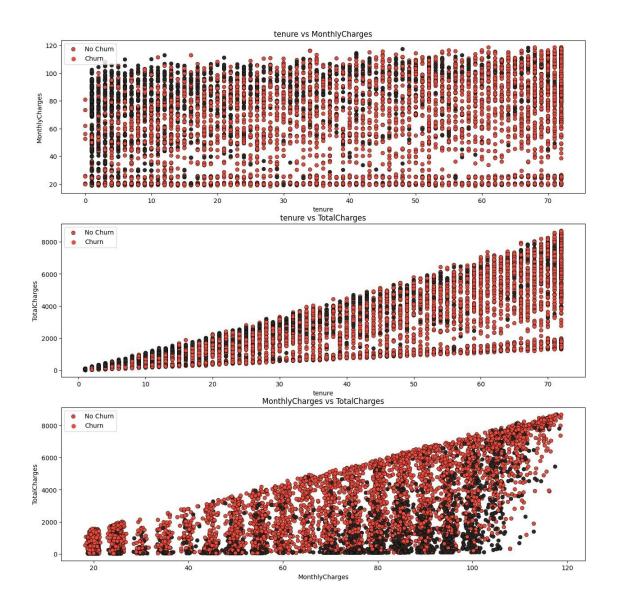
High Total Charges are also one of a reason which makes Customers more likely to churn, there might be an issue with pricing system which needs to addressed



Considering tenure, a high number of customers have left after the 1st month. This high cancellation of services continues for 4 - 5 months but the churn customers have reduced since the 1st month. As the tenure increases, customers dropping out decreases.

This results in low customer churning as the tenure increases. It displays a symmetrical graph with the left side dominating with churn numbers and right side dominating with low churn numbers.

2.6 Numerical features vs Numerical features w.r.t Target variable (Churn):



For tenure of 0 - 20 months period, churning of customers quite at any MonthlyCharges values. For a tenure period from 20 - 60 months, customers at the top end of the MonthlyCharges values, 70 - 120, start to drop out from the services.

For TotalCharges vs tenure, as tenure increases, TotalCharges increase as well! Customers opting out from their plans are the ones who are charged the highest of their tenure period alongwith a few customers whose Total Charges rank in the middle!

Customers seemed to have decided to cancel their subscriptions when the MonthlyCharges reach 70 and above.

3 Summary Of EDA

Values of features for customer churn cases: Categorical Features (Order):

gender: Male = Female

SeniorCitizen : No SeniorCitizen > SeniorCitizen

Partner: No Partner > Partner

Dependents: No Dependent > Dependent

PhoneService : PhoneService > No PhoneService

MultipleLines : MultipleLines > No MultipleLines > No PhoneService

InternetService : Fiber Optic > DSL > No InternetService OnlineSecurity : Absent > Present > No InternetService

OnlineBackup: Absent > Present > No InternetService

DeviceProtection: Absent > Present > No InternetService

TechSupport : Absent > Present > No InternetService

StreamingTV : Absent > Present > No InternetService

StreamingMovies : Absent > Present > No InternetService

Contract: Month-to-Month > One year > Two year

PaperlessBilling: Present > Absent

PaymentMethod: Electronic check > Mailed check > Bank Transfer (automatic) > Credit Card

(automatic)!

According to the EDA, these order / range of values results in customer churn!

4 Feature Engineering

4.1 Data Balancing using SMOTE:

In order to cope with unbalanced data, there are 2 options:

Undersampling: Trim down the majority samples of the target variable.

Oversampling: Increase the minority samples of the target variable to the majority samples.

After doing trial-error with undersampling & oversampling, we have decided to go with oversampling!

For data balancing, we will use imblearn.

[32]: import imblearn

from collections import Counter

from imblearn.over_sampling import SMOTE

from imblearn.under_sampling import RandomUnderSampler

from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer

```
[33]: cols = list(df1.columns)
    cols.remove("Churn")

x = df1.loc[:,cols]
y = df1.loc[:,"Churn"]

imputer = SimpleImputer(strategy="mean")
x = imputer.fit_transform(x)

over = SMOTE(sampling_strategy = 1)

x1,y1 = over.fit_resample(x,y)
print("Class distribution before SMOTE:", Counter(y))
print("Class distribution after SMOTE:", Counter(y1))
```

Class distribution before SMOTE: Counter({0: 5174, 1: 1869}) Class distribution after SMOTE: Counter({0: 5174, 1: 5174})

4.2 Data Leakage:

Data Leakage is the problem when the information outside the training data is used for model creation. It is one of the most ignored problem.

In order to create robust models, solving data leakage is a must! Creation of overly optimistic models which are practically useless & cannot be used in production have become common.

Thus, in order to avoid Data Leakage, it is advised to use train-test-split before any transformations. Execute the transformations according to the training data for the training as well as test data.

```
[34]: from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x1, y1, test_size = 0.20,_

4random_state = 2)
```

4.3 Correlation Matrix:

```
[35]: # Creating a DataFrame from x_train
x_train_df = pd.DataFrame(x_train, columns=cols)

# Creating a DataFrame for y_train
y_train_df = pd.DataFrame({"Churn": y_train})

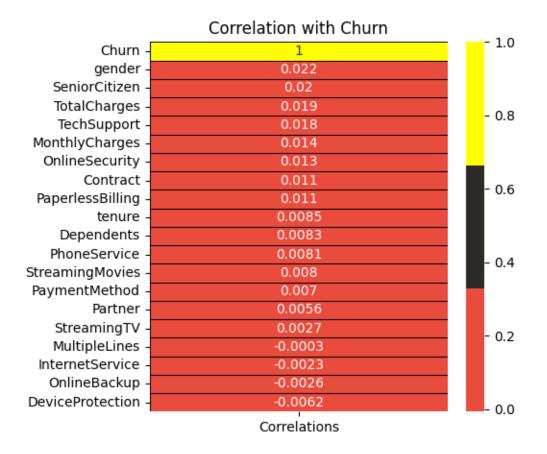
# Concatenate x_train_df and y_train_df along columns
x_train_test = pd.concat([x_train_df, y_train_df], axis=1)
```

In order to visualize the correlation matrix, we create a new dataframe that contains values from x train & y train.

Thus, we reject anything outside the training data to avoid data leakage.

```
[36]: # Calculate correlation matrix
corr = x_train_test.corr()["Churn"].sort_values(ascending=False).to_frame()
corr.columns = ["Correlations"]

# Plot heatmap
plt.subplots(figsize=(5, 5))
sns_heatmap(corr, annot=True, cmap=colors, linewidths=0.4, linecolor="black")
plt.title("Correlation with Churn")
plt.show()
```

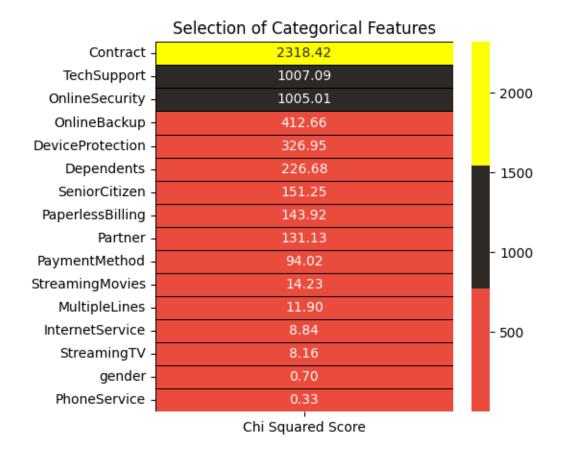


MulipleLines, PhoneService, gender, StreamingTV, StreamingMovies and InternetService does not display any kind of correlation. We drop the features with correlation coefficient.

Remaining features either display a significant positive or negative correlation.

4.3.1 Feature Selection for Categorical Features:

[37]: from sklearn.feature_selection import SelectKBest from sklearn.feature_selection import Chi2

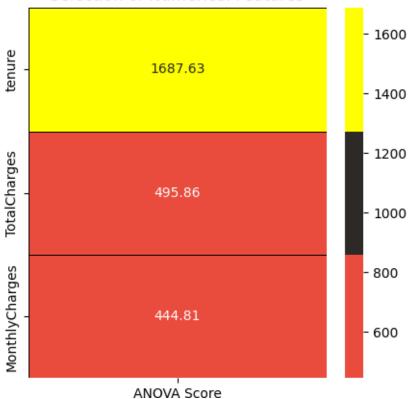


PhoneService, gender, StreamingTV, StreamingMovies, MultipleLines and InternetService display a very low relation with Churn.

4.3.2 Feature Selection for Numerical Features:

```
[39]: from sklearn.feature_selection import f_classif
```





According to the ANOVA test, higher the value of the ANOVA score, higher the importance of the feature.

From the above results, we need to include all the numerical features for modeling.

4.4 Data Scaling:

```
[42]: from sklearn.preprocessing import MinMaxScaler, StandardScaler

mms = MinMaxScaler() # Min-Max Scaling
ss = StandardScaler() # Standardization

columns_to_scale = ["tenure", "MonthlyCharges", "TotalCharges"]

x_train[columns_to_scale] = mms_fit_transform(x_train[columns_to_scale])
x_test[columns_to_scale] = mms_transform(x_test[columns_to_scale])
```

Machine learning model does not understand the units of the values of the features. It treats the input just as a simple number but does not understand the true meaning of that value. Thus, it becomes necessary to scale the data.

```
Eg : Age = Years; FastingBS = mg / dl; Charges = Currency
```

We have 2 options for data scaling: 1) Normalization 2) Standardization. As most of the algorithms assume the data to be normally (Gaussian) distributed, Normalization is done for features whose data does not display normal distribution and standardization is carried out for features that are normally distributed where their values are huge or very small as compared to other features.

Normalization: tenure, MonthlyCharges and TotalCharges features are normalized as they displayed a right skewed and bimodal data distribution.

Standardization: None of the features are standardized for the above data.

5 Modeling

```
[43]: from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
from sklearn.metrics import roc_auc_score
from sklearn.metrics import roc_curve
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report
```

```
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
from sklearn.model_selection import RepeatedStratifiedKFold
from sklearn.metrics import precision_recall_curve
```

Selecting the features from the above conducted tests and splitting the data into 80 - 20 train - test groups.

```
[44]: def model(classifier,x_train,y_train,x_test,y_test):
          classifier.fit(x_train,y_train) prediction
          = classifier.predict(x_test)
          accuracy =classifier_score(x_test,y_test)
          print("Accuracy is :",accuracy)
          cv = RepeatedStratifiedKFold(n_splits = 10,n_repeats = 3,random_state = 1)
          print("Cross Validation Score: ",'{0:.2%}'.
       -format(cross_val_score(classifier,x_train,y_train,cv = cv,scoring =_

¬"roc_auc") . mean()))
          print("ROC_AUC Score : ", "{0:.2%}".format(roc_auc_score(y_test,prediction)))
      def model_evaluation(classifier,x_test,y_test):
          # Confusion Matrix
          plt_figure(figsize=(4,3))
          cm = confusion_matrix(y_test,classifier.predict(x_test))
          names = ["True Neg", "False Pos", "False Neg", "True Pos"]
          counts = [value for value in cm_flatten()]
          percentages = ['{0:.2%}'.format(value) for value in cm.flatten()/np.sum(cm)]
          labels = [f'{v1}\n{v2}\n{v3}' for v1, v2, v3 in...
       \zip(names,counts,percentages)]
          labels = np.asarray(labels).reshape(2,2)
          sns_heatmap(cm,annot = labels,cmap = "Blues",fmt ="")
          # Classification Report
          print(classification_report(y_test,classifier.predict(x_test)))
```

5.1 Logistic Regression Classifier

```
[45]: from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression

classifier_lr = LogisticRegression()
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```
model(classifier_lr,x_train,y_train,x_test,y_test)

print("-"*80)

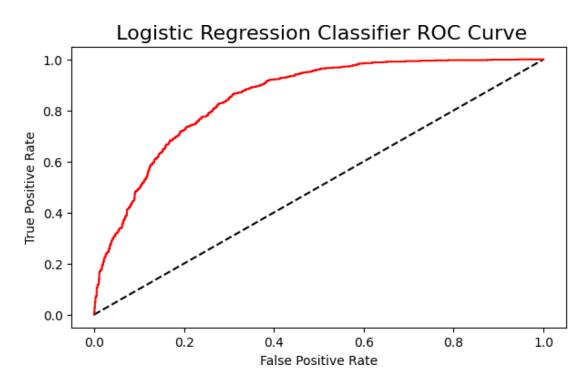
#plotting roc curve
y_pred_prob =classifier_lr.predict_proba(x_test)[:,1]
fpr, tpr, thresholds = roc_curve(y_test, y_pred_prob)
plt.figure(figsize=(7, 4))

plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], "k--")
plt.plot(fpr, tpr, label="Logistic Regression Classifier",color = "r")
plt.xlabel("False Positive Rate")
plt.ylabel("True Positive Rate")
plt.title(" Logistic Regression Classifier ROC Curve",fontsize=16)
plt.show();
print("-"*80)

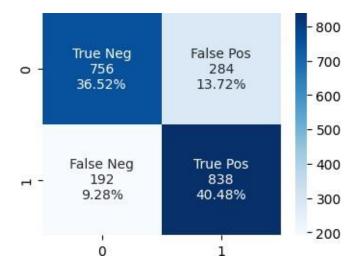
model_evaluation(classifier_lr,x_test,y_test)
```

Accuracy is: 0.770048309178744 Cross Validation Score: 84.67%

ROC_AUC Score: 77.03%



	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.80	0.73	0.76	1040
1	0.75	0.81	0.78	1030
accuracy			0.77	2070
macro avg	0.77	0.77	0.77	2070
weighted avg	0.77	0.77	0.77	2070

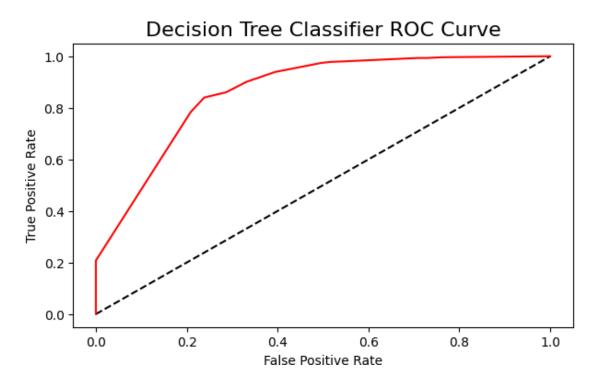


5.2 Decision Tree Classifier:

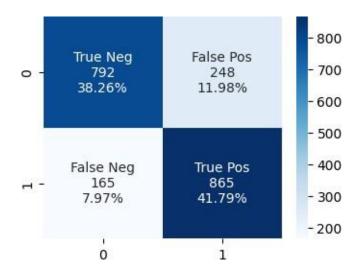
```
plt.xlabel("False Positive Rate")
plt.ylabel("True Positive Rate")
plt.title("Decision Tree Classifier ROC Curve",fontsize=16)
plt.show();
print("-"*80)
model_evaluation(classifier_dt,x_test,y_test)
```

Accuracy is : 0.8004830917874396 Cross Validation Score : 86.32%

ROC_AUC Score: 80.07%



	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.83	0.76	0.79	1040
1	0.78	0.84	0.81	1030
accuracy			0.80	2070
macro avg	0.80	0.80	0.80	2070
weighted avg	0.80	0.80	0.80	2070

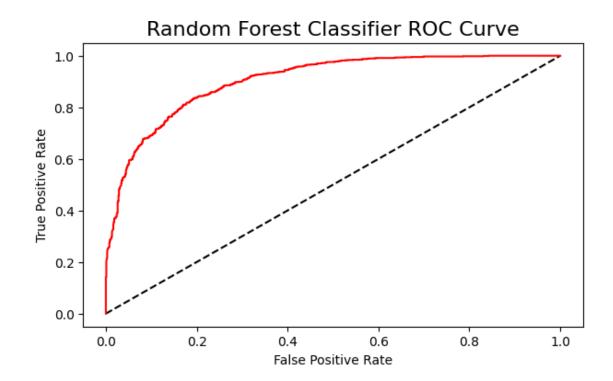


5.3 Random Forest Classifier:

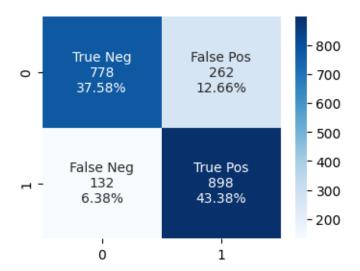
```
[47]: from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
      classifier_rf = RandomForestClassifier(max_depth = 4,random_state = 0)
      model(classifier_rf,x_train,y_train,x_test,y_test)
      print("-"*80)
      #plotting roc curve
      y_pred_prob =classifier_rf_predict_proba(x_test)[:,1]
      fpr, tpr, thresholds = roc_curve(y_test, y_pred_prob)
      plt_figure(figsize=(7, 4))
      plt_plot([0, 1], [0, 1], 'k--')
      plt.plot(fpr, tpr, label="Random Forest Classifier",color = "r")
      plt.xlabel("False Positive Rate")
      plt_ylabel("True Positive Rate")
      plt_title("Random Forest Classifier ROC Curve",fontsize=16)
      plt.show();
      print("-"*80)
      model_evaluation(classifier_rf,x_test,y_test)
```

Accuracy is: 0.8096618357487922 Cross Validation Score: 89.79%

ROC_AUC Score: 81.00%



	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.85	0.75	0.80	1040
1	0.77	0.87	0.82	1030
accuracy			0.81	2070
macro avg	0.81	0.81	0.81	2070
weighted avg	0.81	0.81	0.81	2070

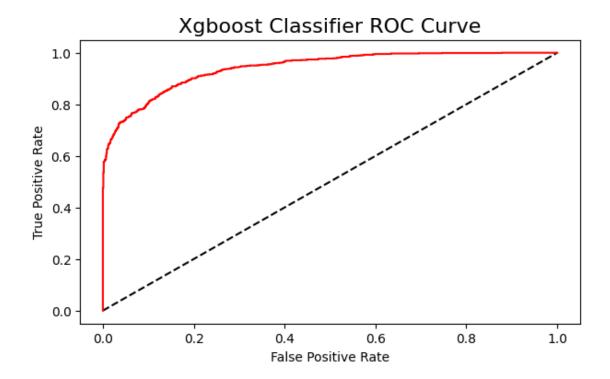


5.4 Xgboost Classifier:

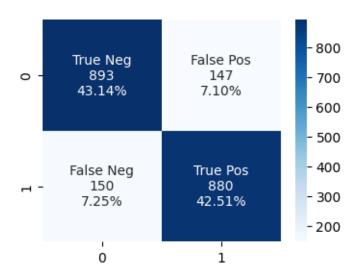
Cross Validation Score: 93.88%

ROC_AUC Score: 85.65%

```
[48]: from xgboost import XGBClassifier
      classifier_xgb = XGBClassifier(learning_rate= 0.01,max_depth = 3,n_estimators =_
       <u>-1000)</u>
      model(classifier_xgb,x_train,y_train,x_test,y_test)
      print("-"*80)
      #plotting roc curve
      y_pred_prob =classifier_xgb_predict_proba(x_test)[:,1]
      fpr, tpr, thresholds = roc_curve(y_test, y_pred_prob)
      plt_figure(figsize=(7, 4))
      plt_plot([0, 1], [0, 1], 'k--')
      plt.plot(fpr, tpr, label="Xgboost Classifier",color = "r")
      plt_xlabel("False Positive Rate")
      plt_ylabel("True Positive Rate")
      plt_title("Xgboost Classifier ROC Curve",fontsize=16)
      plt.show();
      print("-"*80)
      model_evaluation(classifier_xgb,x_test,y_test)
     Accuracy is: 0.8565217391304348
```



	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.86	0.86	0.86	1040
1	0.86	0.85	0.86	1030
accuracy			0.86	2070
macro avg	0.86	0.86	0.86	2070
weighted avg	0.86	0.86	0.86	2070



Algorithm Results Table

```
[49]: data = {
    "ML Algorithm": ["XGBClassifier", "RandomForestClassifier",
    "DecisionTreeClassifier", "LogisticRegressionClassifier"],
    "Accuracy": [85.70, 81.01, 79.46, 77.43],
    "Cross Validation Score": [93.84, 89.91, 86.07, 84.70],
    "ROC AUC Score": [85.70, 81.04, 79.48, 77.46],
    "F1 Score (Churn)": [86, 82, 80, 78]
}
results_df = pd.DataFrame(data)
results_df
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[49]: 0 1 2 3	ML Algorithm XGBClassifier RandomForestClassifier DecisionTreeClassifier LogisticRegressionClassifier	Accuracy 85.70 81.01 79.46 77.43	Cross	Validation	Score 93.84 89.91 86.07 84.70	\
	ROC AUC Score F1 Score (Chu	rn)				
0	85.70	86				
1	81.04	82				
2	79.48	80				
3	77.46	78				

7. STRATEGIES FOR REDUCING CUSTOMER CHURN AND INCREASING REVENUE:

• Targeting Specific Customer Segments:

- SeniorCitizen Segment: Despite being a minority, SeniorCitizen customers exhibit a willingness to pay premium rates. Therefore, it's crucial to tailor services to meet their high expectations.
- Partnered and Solitary Customers: These segments prefer services with MonthlyCharges below \$65, indicating a price sensitivity that should be considered in service offerings.
- Building a Strong Customer Base: Initial 6-Month Tenure Focus:
 During this critical period, prioritize features such as OnlineSecurity,
 OnlineBackup, DeviceProtection, and TechSupport to establish trust and loyalty. Efforts should aim to reduce churn between 40 to 50 months for these essential services.
- Enhancing Affordable Streaming Services: Streamlined Content and Payment: Make StreamingTV and StreamingMovies more accessible and appealing to diverse customer segments. Simplify payment processes to ensure seamless transactions and customer satisfaction.
- Optimizing Payment Methods: Payment Method Transformation: Phasing out Electronic check payments due to high churn rates and promoting Bank Transfer (automatic) and Credit Card (automatic) options. However, challenges lie in reducing the median churn tenure, which is currently double that of Electronic check payments.
- **Pricing Strategy:** Price-Consciousness Threshold: Recognize that customers become significantly more price-conscious once

MonthlyCharges exceed \$70. Therefore, emphasize service quality as a primary differentiation factor to retain customers beyond this threshold.

These strategic initiatives aim to not only reduce churn but also enhance revenue streams through targeted customer engagement and service optimization.

9. Conclusion:

- **Utilizing Valuable Business Insights:** Leveraging the dataset presents a unique opportunity to tackle real-world business challenges using cutting-edge data science techniques. Insights derived from thorough Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) serve as a cornerstone for evaluating existing systems and devising strategic improvement plans.
- Implementing Effective Data Balancing Strategies: Employing advanced techniques like SMOTE analysis for data balancing enhances the reliability and accuracy of predictive models. While initial attempts at undersampling were made, further exploration of alternative methods may yield even more optimized results.
- **Continuously Enhancing Model Performance:** Iterative refinement through meticulous feature engineering, hyperparameter tuning, and outlier detection is essential for maximizing the predictive power of models. Continued exploration of feature combinations holds promise for further improving model accuracy and robustness.
- Addressing Business Challenges: The insights garnered from the data analysis pave the way for addressing critical business challenges, particularly in customer churn prediction and revenue optimization. By leveraging data-driven strategies, businesses can adapt and thrive in dynamic market environments, ensuring sustained growth and competitiveness.

• **Fostering a Culture of Continuous Improvement:** Emphasizing the importance of ongoing evaluation and enhancement, businesses can cultivate a culture of continuous improvement. By embracing datadriven decision-making and actively seeking opportunities for innovation, organizations can stay ahead of the curve and achieve longterm success in the telecommunications industry.