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# UNDERSTANDING TELCO CHURN: A DATA DRIVEN ANALYSIS

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# **OBJECTIVE OF THE STUDY**

**What's causing this telcom company to lose customers?**

**What can they do about it?**

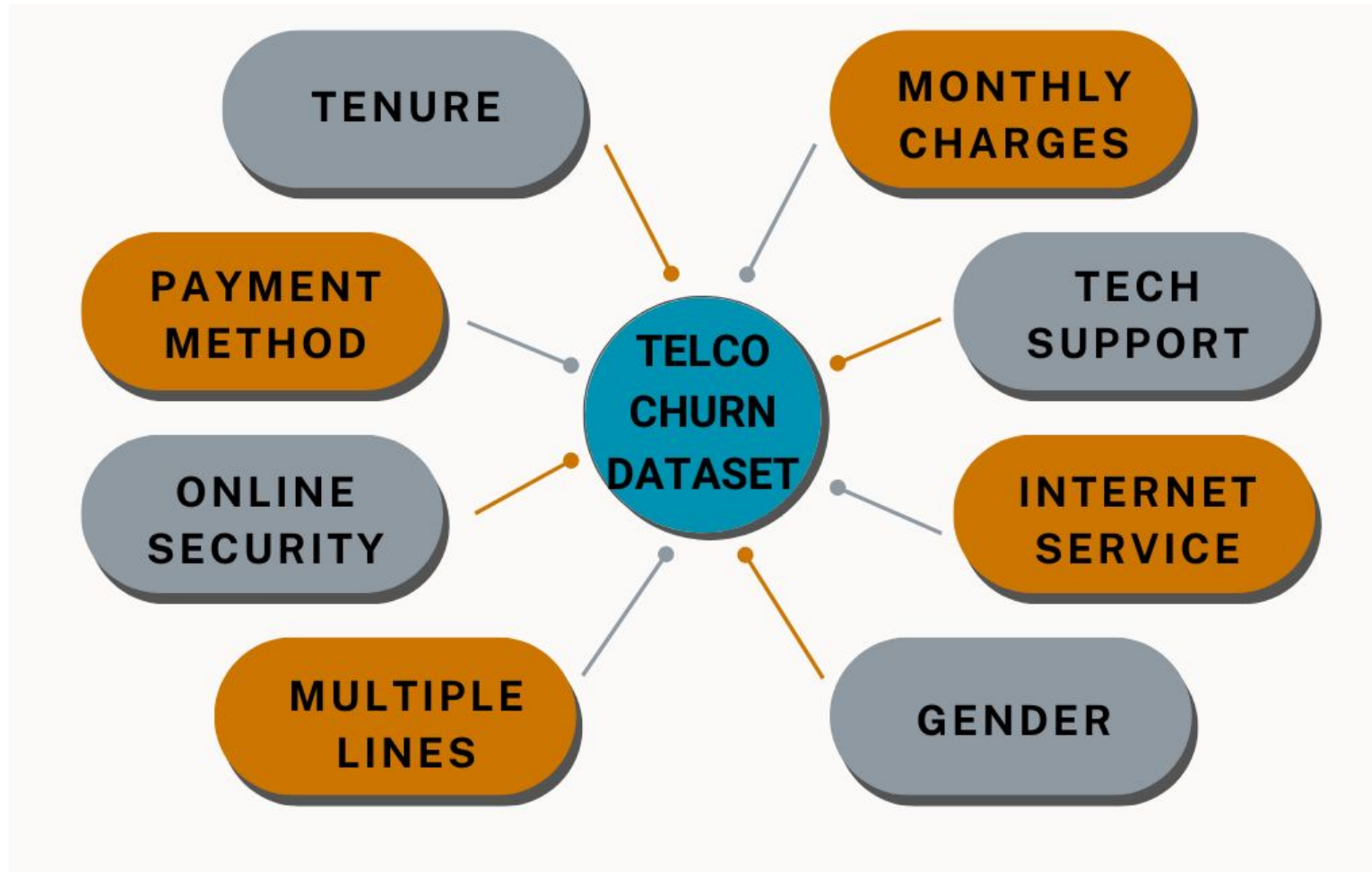


# EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS



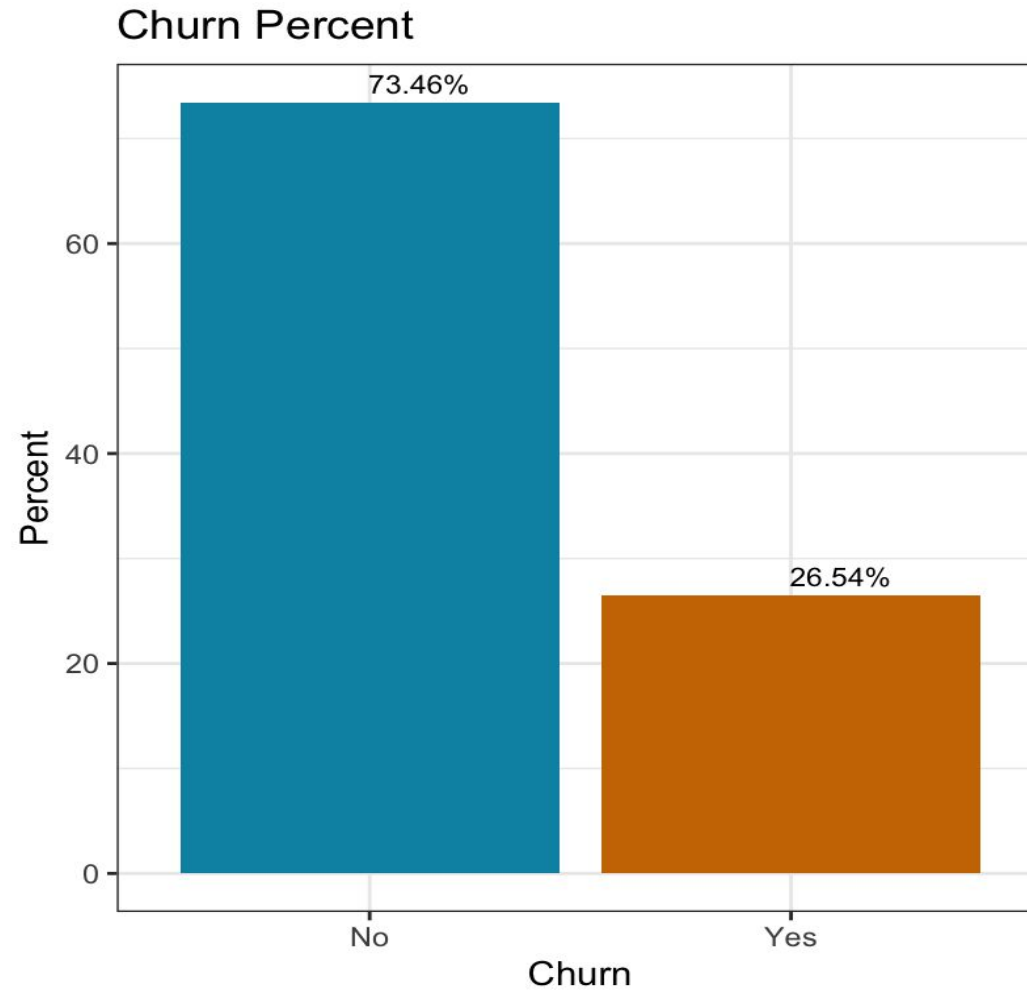


# TELECOM CHURN DATASET





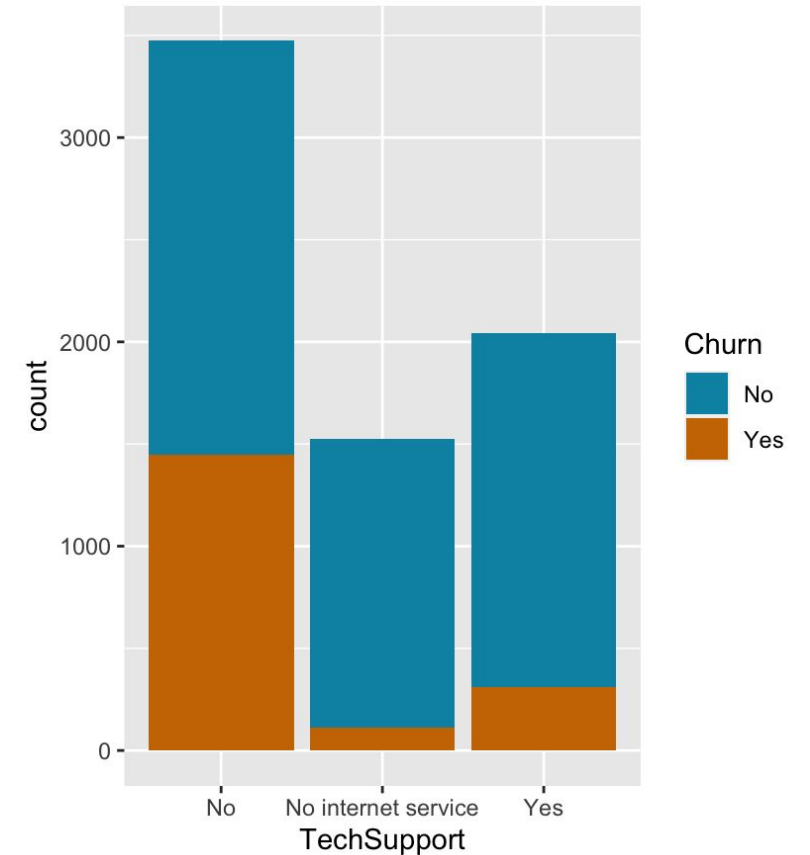
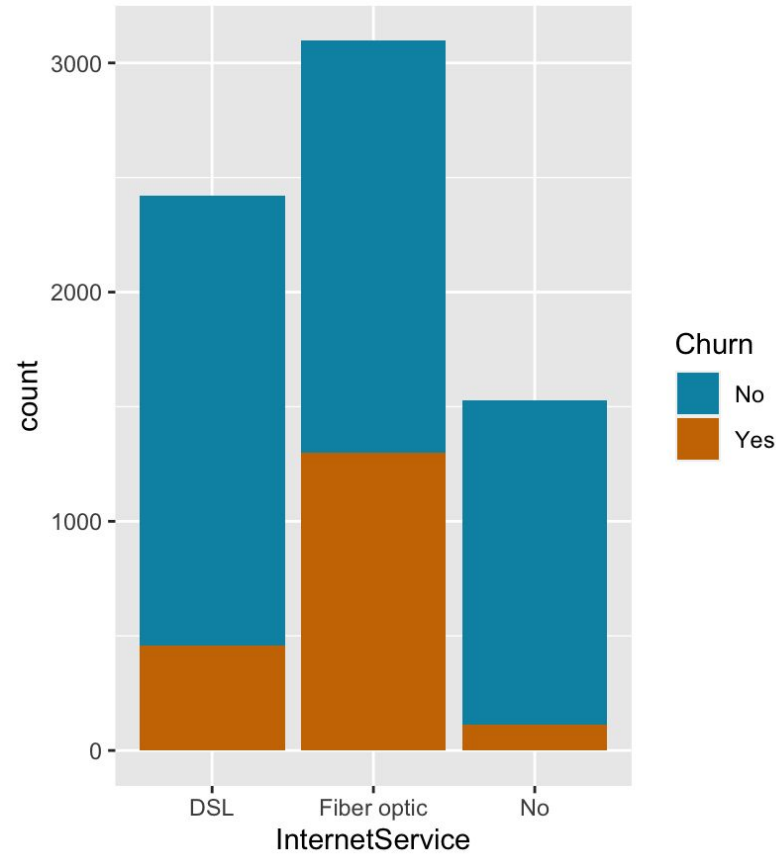
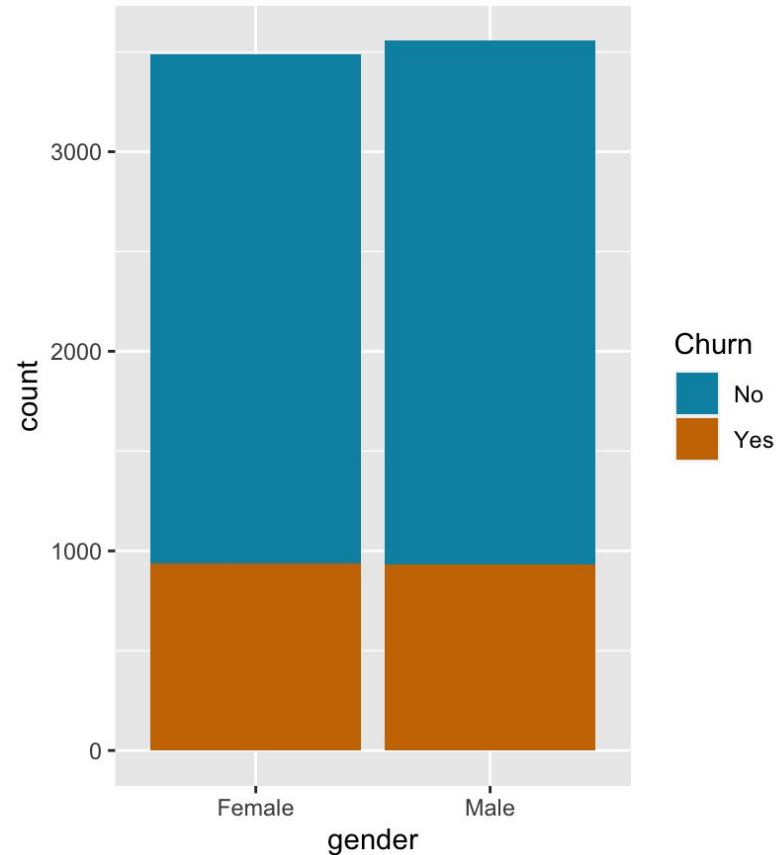
# CHURN PERCENT





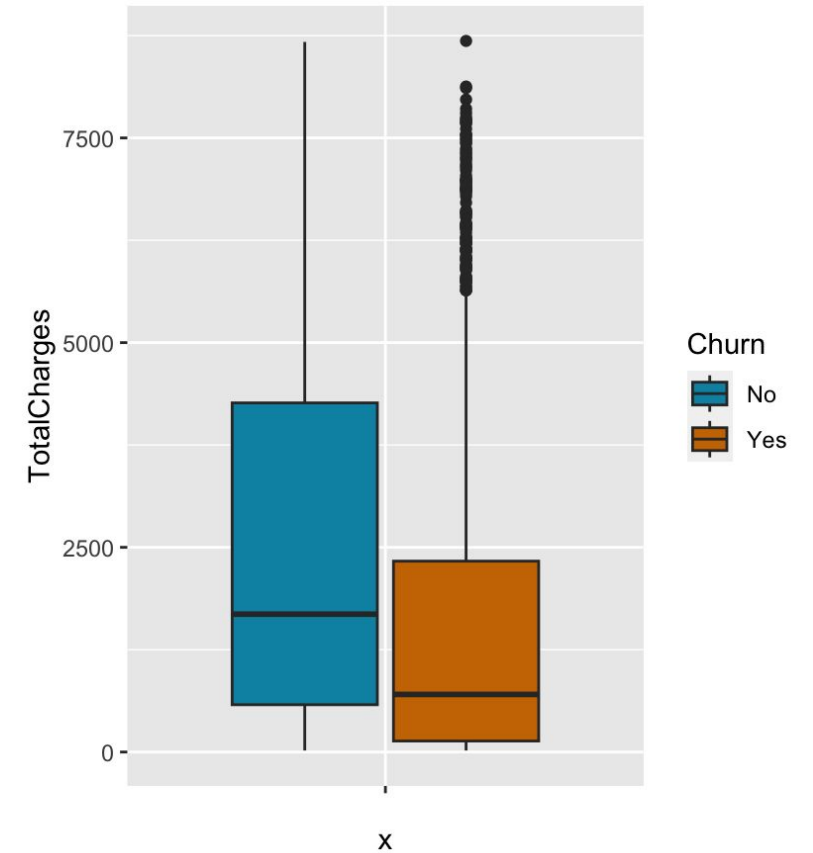
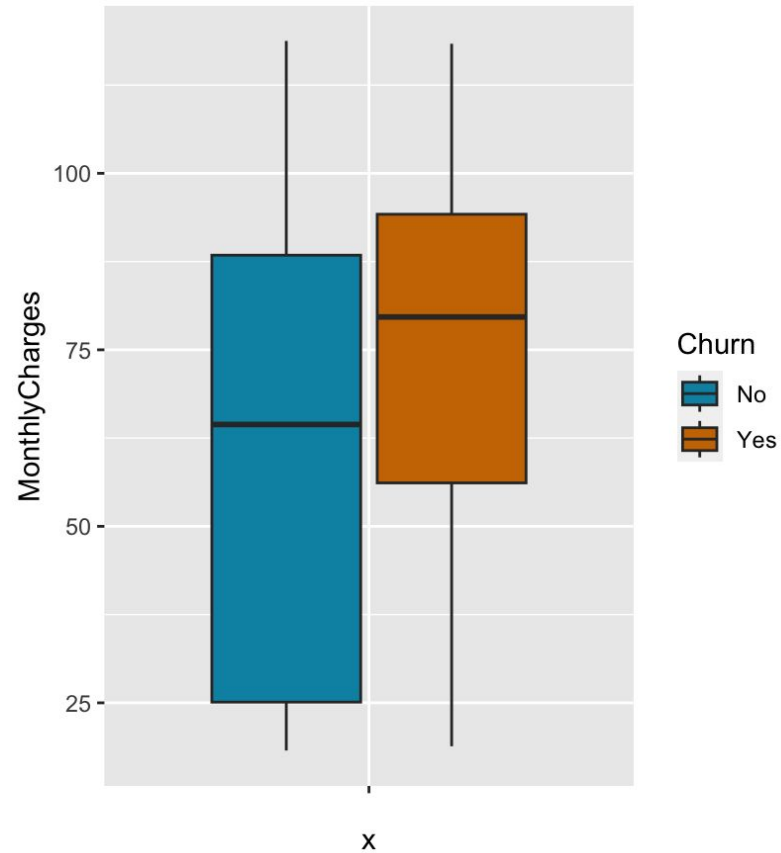
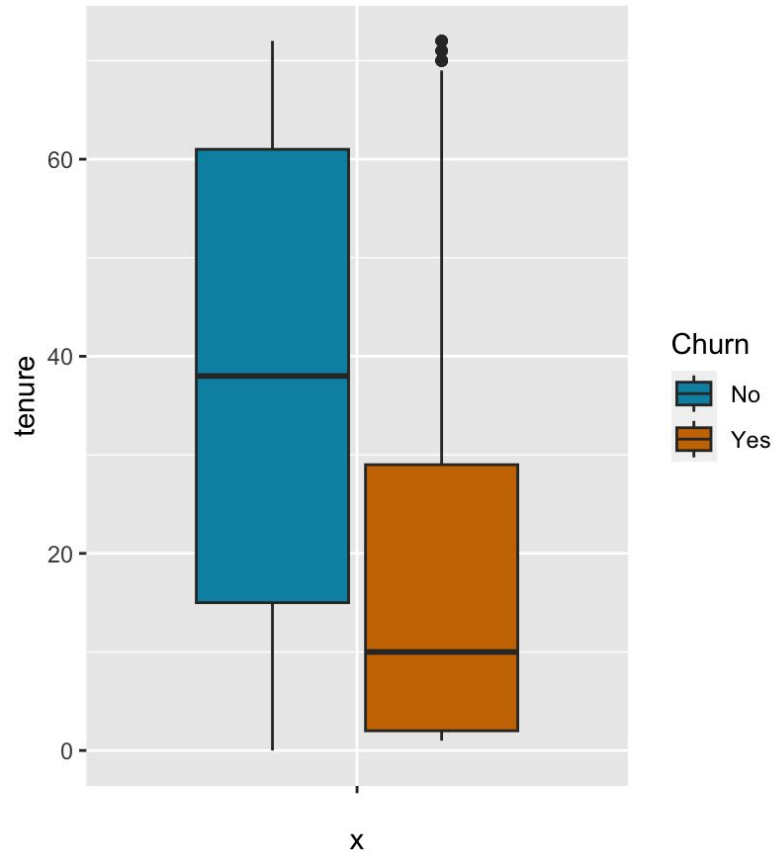


# VARIABLES IN THE DATASET





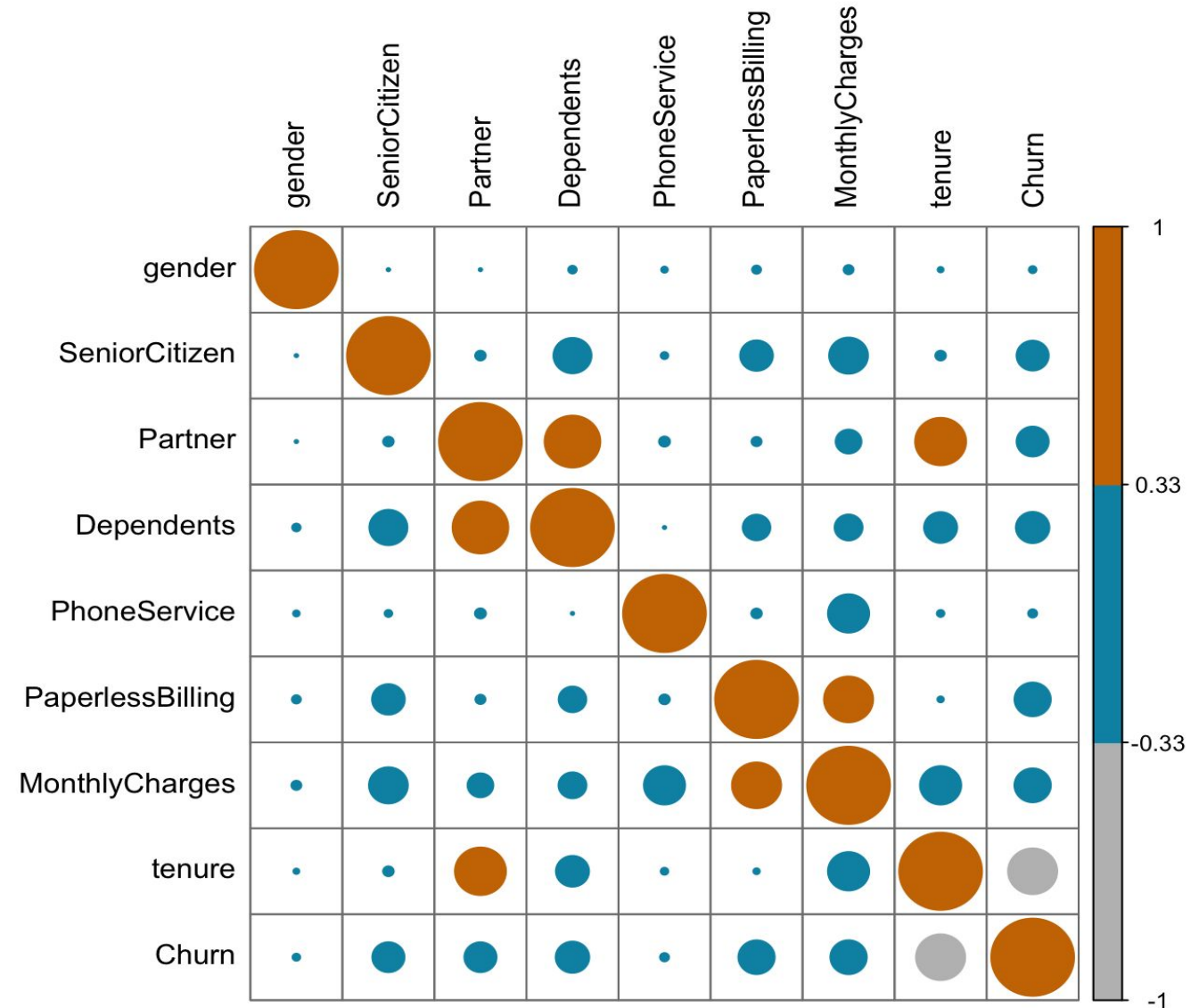
# FEATURES - Ctn





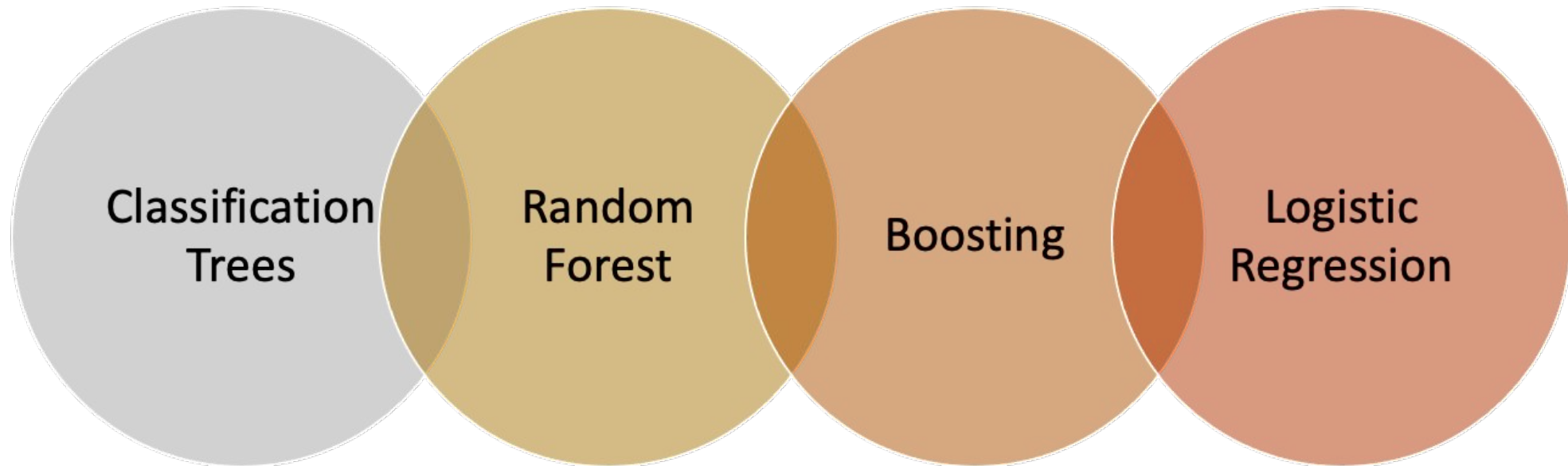


# CORRELATION HEATMAP





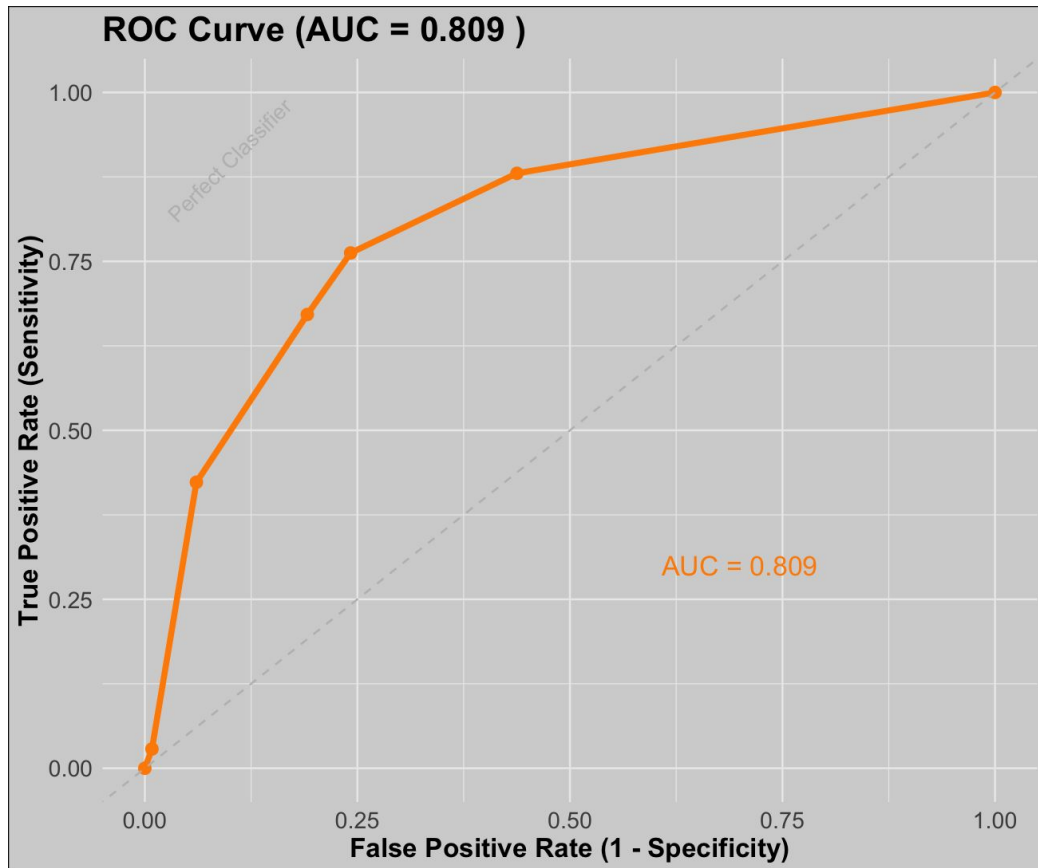
# MODELS TESTED



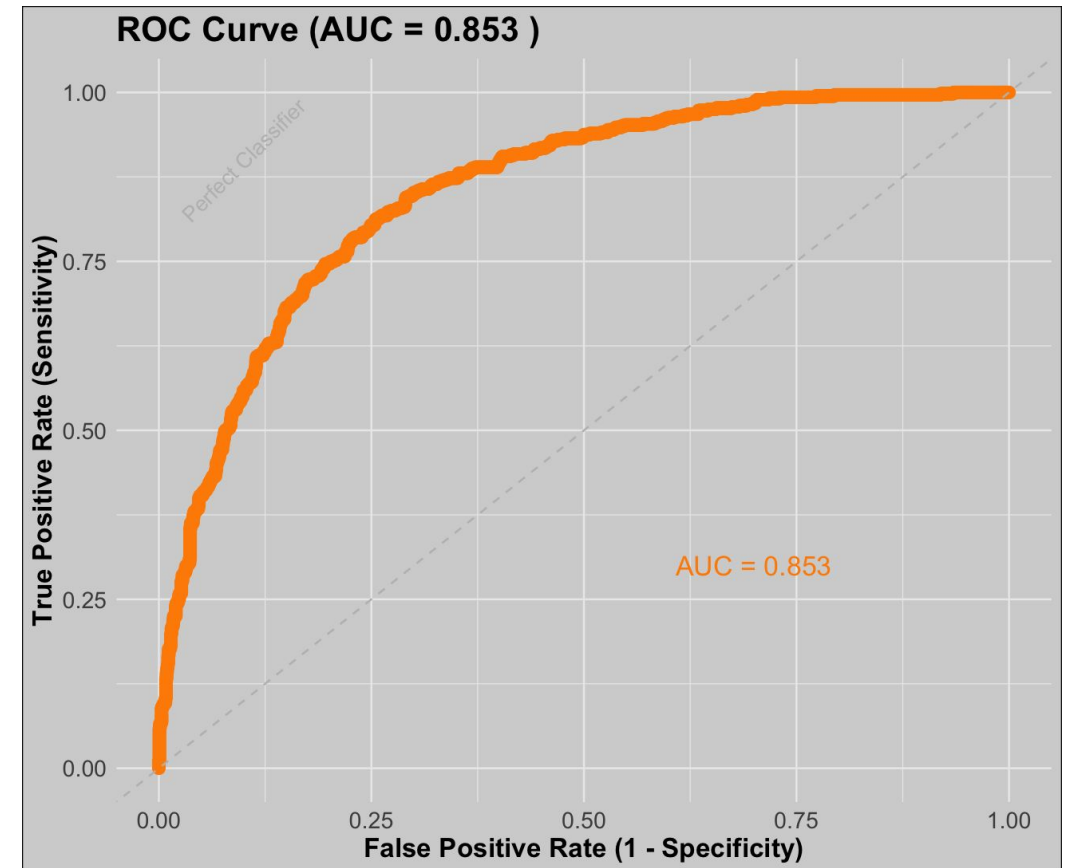


# ROC/AUC CURVE

## Classification Trees



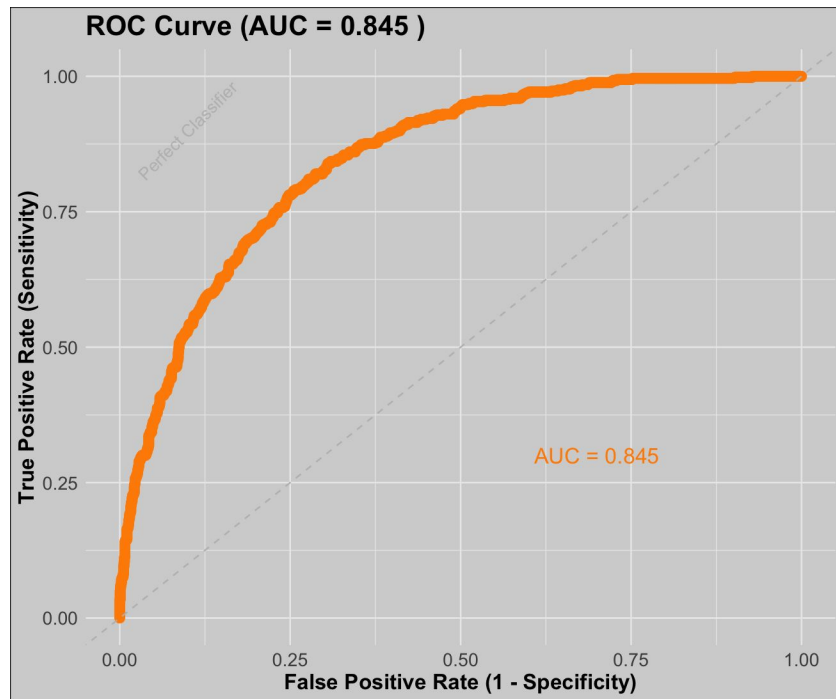
## Random Forest



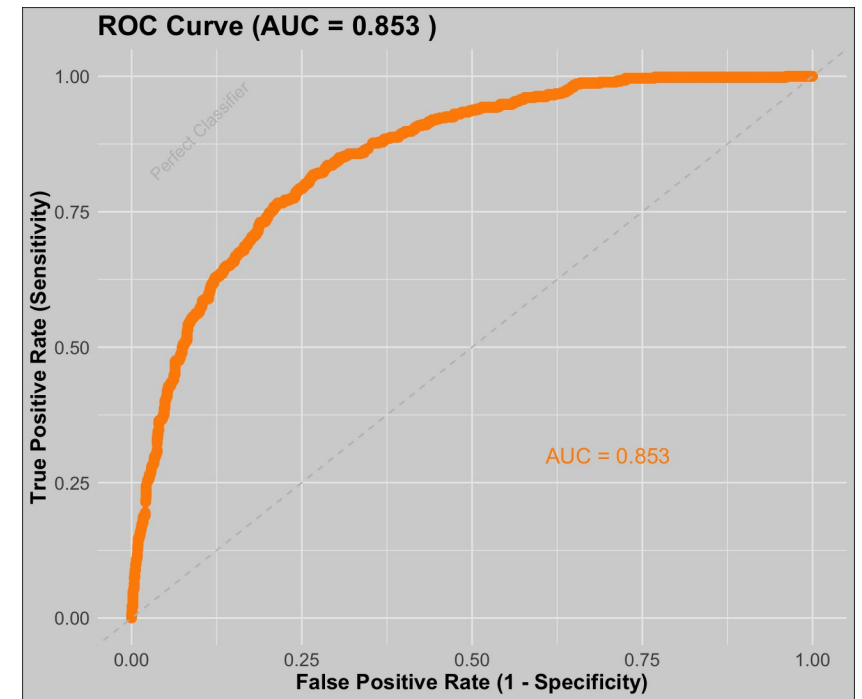


# ROC/AUC CURVE

## Boosting



## Logistic Regression







# BOOSTING MODEL

Converting weak learners into strong one's

**Accuracy: 80.8%**

**HYPERPARAMETER  
TUNING**



**TRAINING THE  
FINAL MODEL**



**BEST HYPERPARAMETERS**

interaction.depth = 20,  
n.trees = 7000,  
shrinkage = 0.001

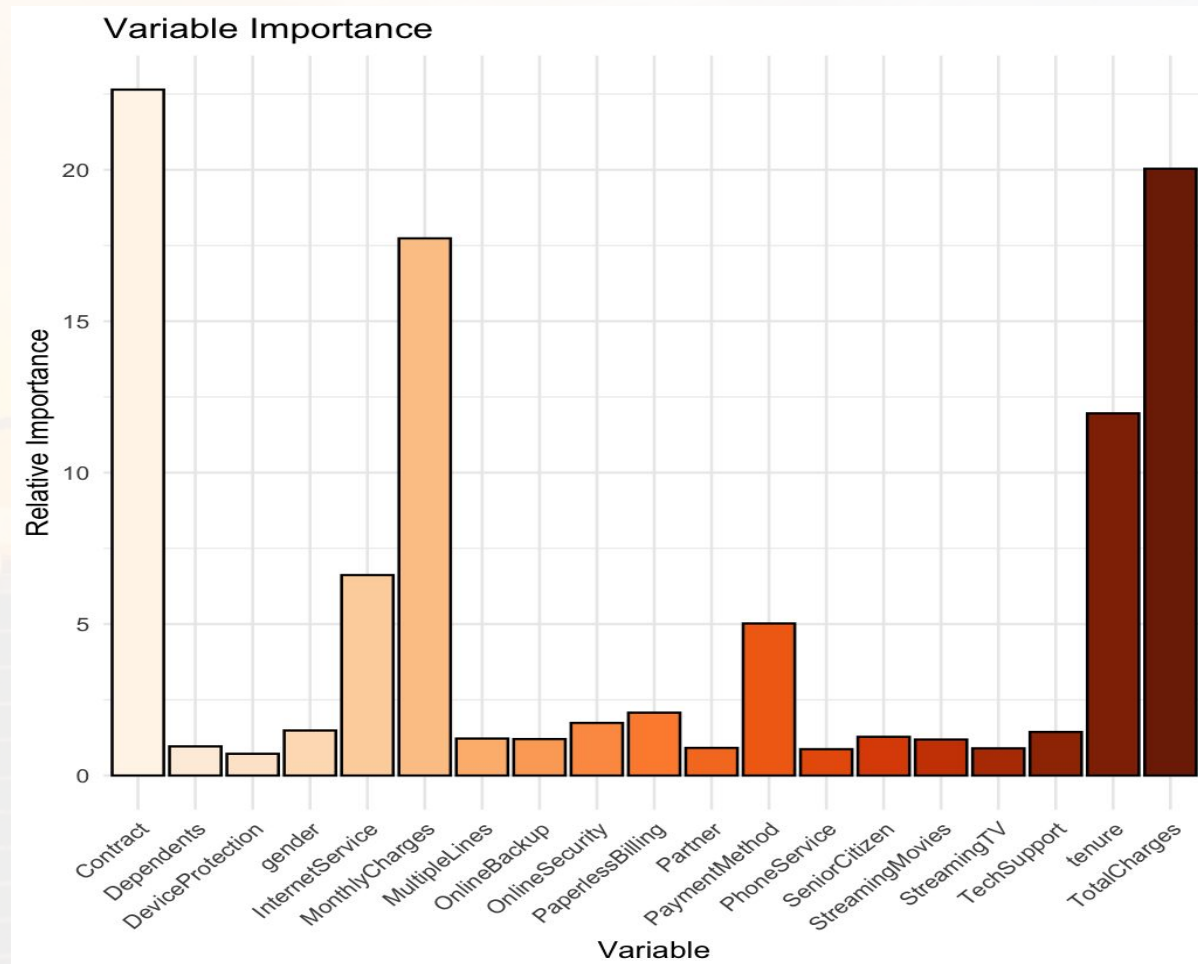
**RELATIVE  
IMPORTANCE**





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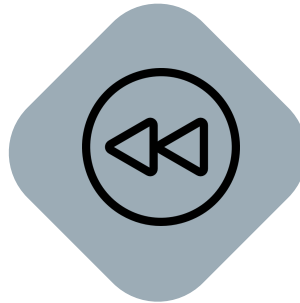


# LOGISTIC REGRESSION

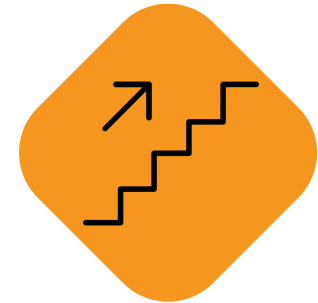
**FORWARD SELECTION**



**BACKWARD  
SELECTION**



**STEPWISE SELECTION**





# LOGISTIC REGRESSION

TENURE

3.31%

**DECREASE**  
in likelihood to  
churn per  
month of  
tenure

STREAMING  
MOVIES

33.94%

**INCREASE**  
in likelihood to  
churn

PHONE SERVICE

41.41%

**DECREASE**  
in likelihood to  
churn



A hand holding a smartphone is shown in the lower right corner. The background is a world map with a network of lines and dots connecting various points. Several circular icons are overlaid on the map, including a bar chart, a pie chart, a key, a shopping cart, a document, and a speech bubble. The overall color scheme is a mix of orange, brown, and blue.

# IMPLEMENT



# APPLIED CONFUSION MATRIX

	Predicted Churn	Predicted No Churn
Actual Churn	Expected Loss	Unexpected Loss
Actual No Churn	Unexpected Retention	Expected Retention



# APPLIED CONFUSION MATRIX

	Predicted Churn	Predicted No Churn
Actual Churn	Intervene on outgoing customer	No intervention, lose customer
Actual No Churn	Will intervene, keep customer	No intervention, keep customer



# APPLIED CONFUSION MATRIX

	Predicted Churn	Predicted No Churn
Actual Churn	$\text{Change in Profit} = \text{Regained Revenue} - \text{Intervention Expenses}$	$\text{Change in Profit} = -\text{Revenue}$
Actual No Churn	$\text{Change in Profit} = -\text{Intervention Expenses}$	$\text{Change in Profit} = 0$

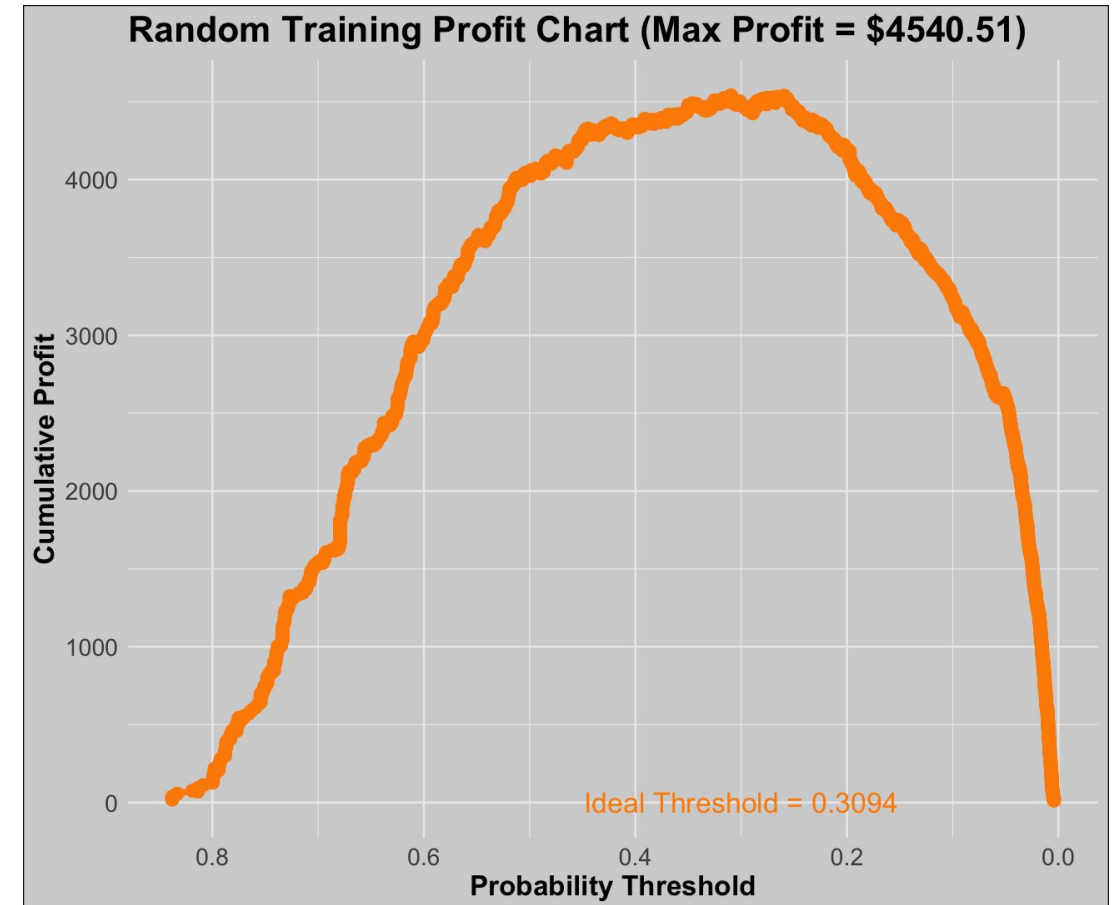




# OPTIMAL THRESHOLD

	Predicted Churn	Predicted No Churn
Actual Churn	429	131
Actual No Churn	334	1215

Measure	Value
Sensitivity (TPR)	0.7661
Specificity (TNR)	0.7844
Ideal Threshold	0.3092 (train)
Savings	\$4540.51







**THANK YOU**