SYRIATEL CUSTOMER CHURN PREDICTION PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS FOR CUSTOMER RETENTION FAITH MUMBI GITHAIGA JUNE 2025

OVERVIEW

• Objective: Predict whether a SyriaTel customer is likely to churn using historical data.

• Problem Type: Binary classification

• Target Audience: Business stakeholders aiming to reduce customer churn and improve retention.

BUSINESS UNDERSTANDING

• Challenge: High customer churn impacts revenue and increases acquisition costs.

• Goal: Use predictive analytics to identify patterns leading to churn.

• Value: Enables proactive retention strategies, increasing customer lifetime value.

DATA UNDERSTANDING

•Dataset: 3333 customer records and 21 features

•Features: Demographics, usage behavior, service plans, customer service calls

•Target Variable: churn (0 = No, 1 = Yes)

DATA EXPLORATION

• Univariate Analysis: Distribution of churn, service usage.

• Bivariate Analysis: Relationship between churn and international/voice mail plans.

• Insights: Churned customers had higher day-time charges and more customer service calls.

DATA PREPROCESSING

• Handled missing values and data consistency

• Encoded categorical features using Label Encoding

• Normalized numerical variables with StandardScaler

• Train-test split (80-20 ratio)

MODELING

- Models used:
 - Logistic Regression
 - Decision Tree

• Decision Tree gave the best performance in terms of balance and interpretability

EVALUATION METRICS

Metric	Logistic Regression	Decision Tree
Accuracy	86.5%	90.9%
Precision	57.8%	69.0%
Recall	25.5%	67.6%
Fl Score	35.4%	68.3%
ROC AUC Score	81.4%	81.2%

- •Decision Tree outperforms Logistic Regression in Precision, Recall, F1 Score, and Accuracy.
- •High Recall (67.6%) means it detects most customers likely to churn.
- •Logistic Regression performs worse in identifying churners (low Recall: 25.5%).

FINDINGS

- •Machine learning models can effectively predict which customers are likely to churn based on service usage and account features.
- Achieved **90.9% accuracy** and **68.3% F1 Score**, indicating a good balance between precision and recall.
- •Despite a high ROC AUC (81.4%), it had a **low recall (25.5%)**, meaning it missed many actual churn cases.
- •Factors like Monthly Charges, Contract Type, Tenure, and Customer Service Calls contributed heavily to churn prediction.
- •The Decision Tree's ability to capture **67.6% of churners** enables proactive customer retention strategies.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- •Use the model to identify customers with a high likelihood of churning and intervene with personalized retention offers (discounts, loyalty rewards, or improved service).
- •Since service-related features influence churn, invest in improving the customer experience, especially around billing and technical support.
- •Focus on factors like **monthly charges**, **contract type**, and **tenure** to monitor and act on early signs of dissatisfaction.
- •Retrain the model regularly with new data to adapt to changing customer behavior and improve prediction accuracy.
- •Experiment with retention campaigns using model predictions and track which interventions lead to reduced churn.

NEXTSTEPS

• Set up automated churn alerts

• Continuously retrain model with fresh data

Monitor performance and feedback for improvement

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