-SUPERVISED LEARNING-

DETECTING PHISHING WEBSITES USING MACHINE LEARNING CLASSIFICATION



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what is a website?



WEBSITE

collection of many web pages or digital files that are written using HTML(HyperText Markup Language)





Problem Description



C-Sentinel

Cyber security company that is now looking for trustworthy and steady techniques for **C-Sentinel** phishing attacks websites detection.



Phishing

Phishing attack is a simplest way to obtain sensitive information from innocent users. Aim of the phishers is to acquire critical information like username, password and bank account details



Dataset

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30 Features

- UsingIP
- LongURL
- ShortURL
- Symbol@
- Redirecting//
- PrefixSuffix
- SubDomains
- HTTPS
- DomainRegLen
- Favicon

- NonStdPort
- HTTPSDomainURL
- RequestURL
- AnchorURL
- LinksInScriptTags
- ServerFormHandler
- InfoEmail
- AbnormalURL
- WebsiteForwarding
- StatusBarCust

- DisableRightClick
- UsingPopupWindow
- IframeRedirection
- AgeofDomain
- DNSRecording
- WebsiteTraffic
- PageRank
- GoogleIndex
- LinksPointingToPage
- StatsReport

Target

Result



Dataset Exploration (Data Cleansing)

Data Obtained from:



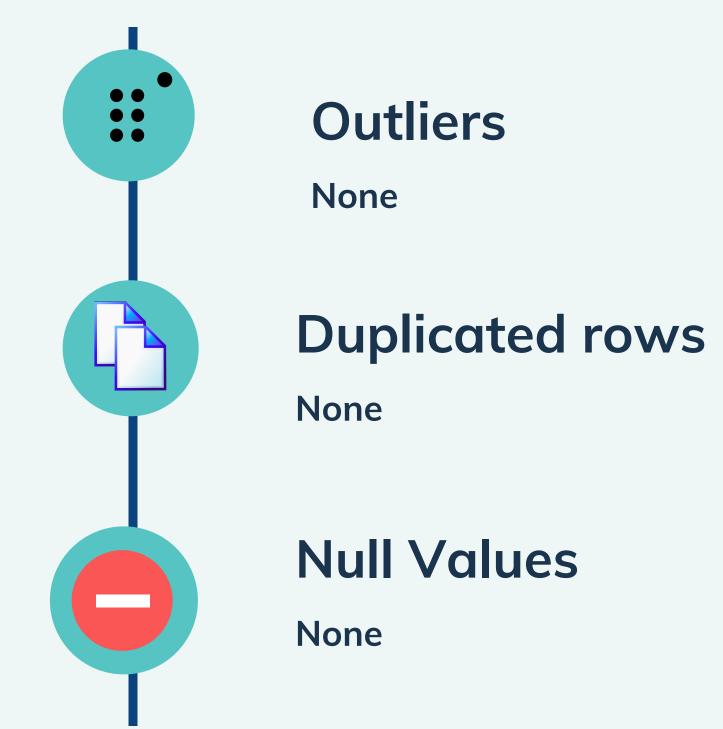
12,000 datapoint

Data values:

1:true

0:false

-1: suspicious





Dataset Correlations

- HTTPS: Hypertext transfer protocol secure is the secure version of HTTP, which is the primary protocol used to send data between a web browser and a website
- AnchorURL: An anchor is an element defined by the <a> tag



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Modeling - Classification

Baseline Models

<u>Training</u>

	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F2
LogisticRegression	93.2	93.4	91.1	91.6
KNeighbors 	96.1	95.8	95.3	95.4
RandomForest	99.1	99.1	99.0	99.0
RandomForest ExtraTrees	99.1 90.1	99.1 89.5	99.0 89.7	99.0 89.7

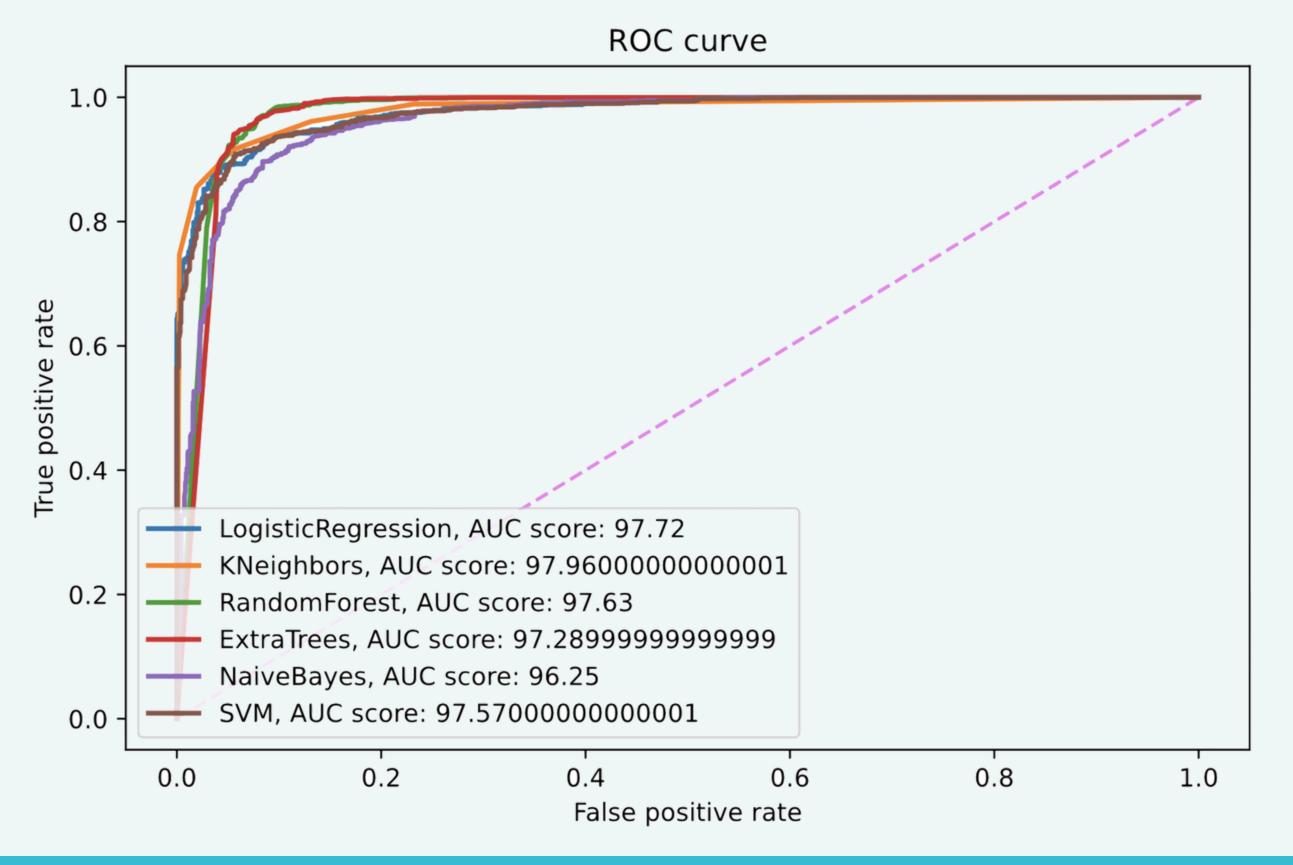
Validation

	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F2
LogisticRegression	92.5	92.5	90.1	90.5
KNeighbors	93.4	93.1	91.6	92
RandomForest	96.7	97.2	95	95.4
ExtraTrees	96.6	97.3	94.7	95.2
NaiveBayes	92.6	93.2	89.4	90.2



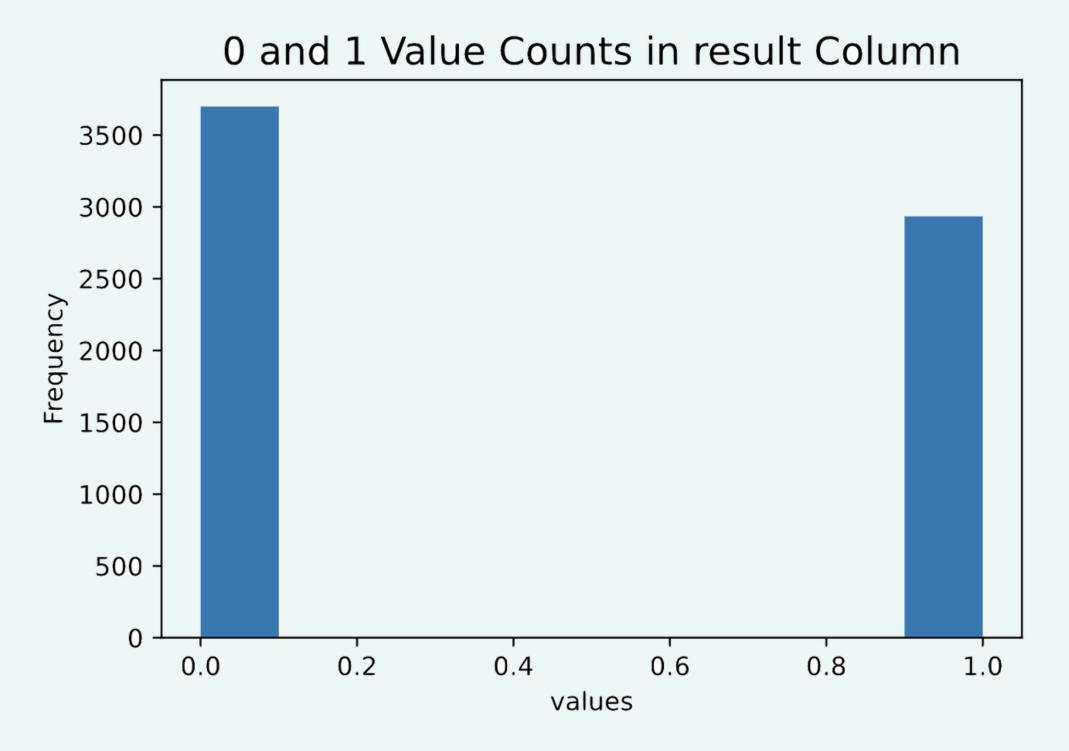
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Baseline Models Roc Curve





Feature Engineering (Handle Imbalancement)

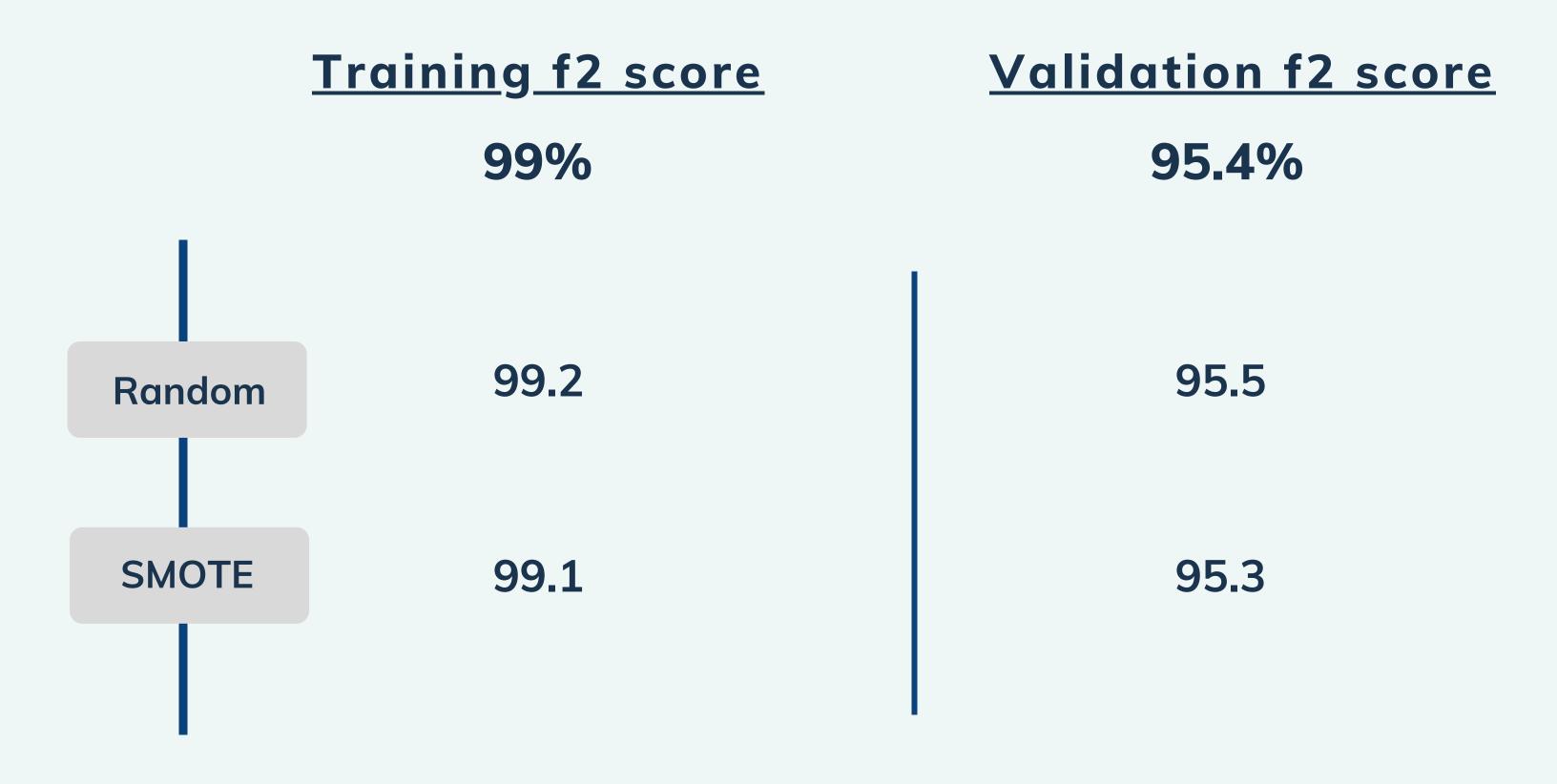


Legitimate websites: 3,699

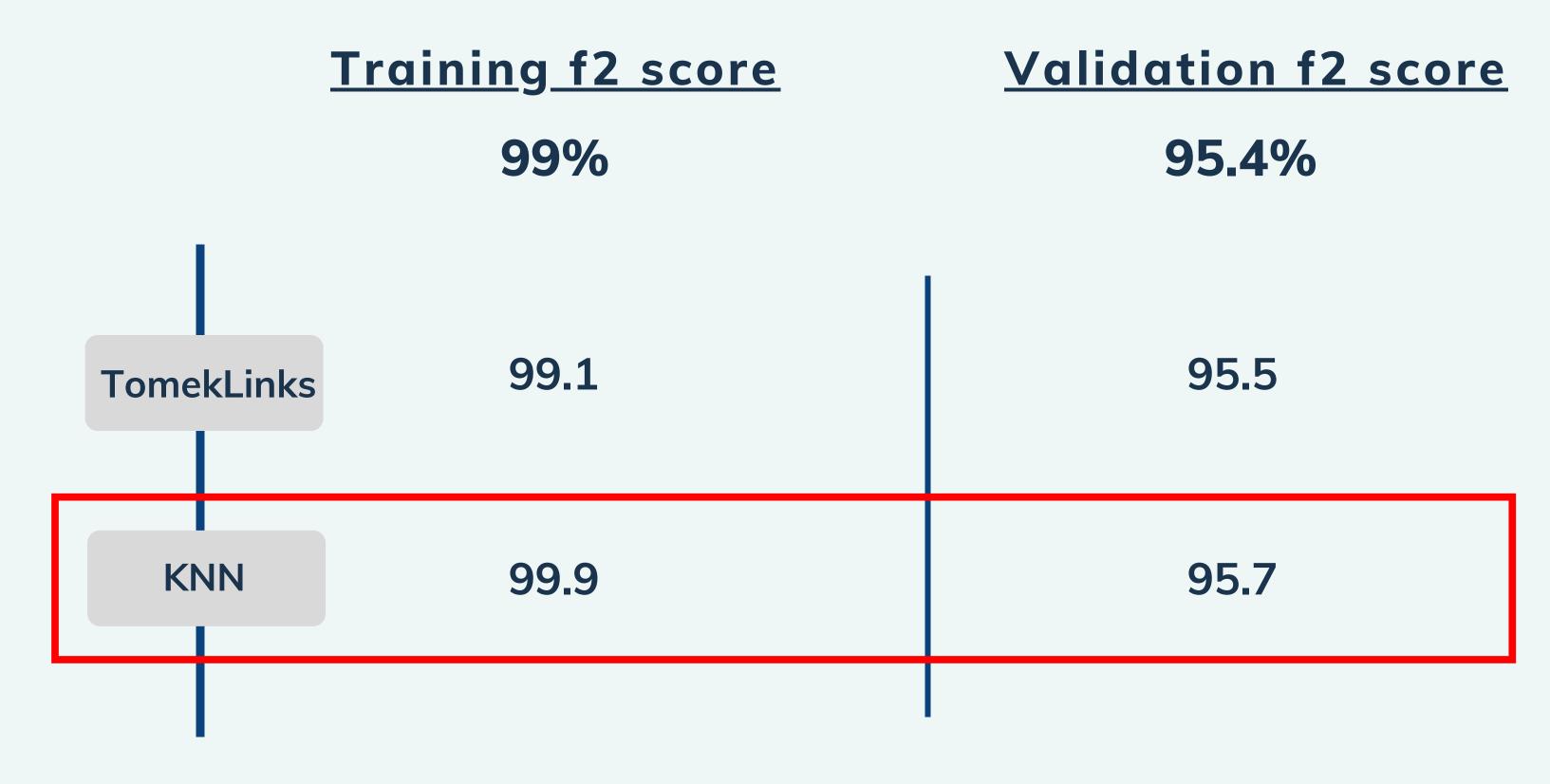
Phishing websites : 2,934



Upsamling



Downsamling





Random Forest Hyperparameter Tuning (Random Search)

<u>Training f2 score</u> 99.92% → 99.95%

Validation f2 score 95.74% → 95.6%



Conclusion and Future Work

- KNN downsamling technique gave the best score
- RandomForest Classifier gave the best score

Future Work

- Use regex to obtain all URL features
- Apply more experiment and try more models
- Autoamated API phishing web detection



Thank You