# Customer Churn Prediction Model – SyriaTel

## **Business Overview**

#### Objective:

To build a model that predicts whether a customer is likely to churn (stop using SyriaTel services).

## Why it matters:

- Acquiring new customers is 5x more expensive than retaining existing ones.
- Early detection of churn risk helps increase customer loyalty and revenue.
- Aligns with SyriaTel's goal of enhancing customer satisfaction and retention.

# **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)**

### What I Explored:

•Demographics: Customer location and phone usage

•Behavioral data: Call duration, number of calls, service plans

•Churn rate: ~10% of customers churned

## **Key Observations:**

- •High churn linked to multiple customer service calls
- •Customers without voice mail or international plans are more likely to churn
- •Usage patterns (day vs night) provide predictive signals

## Data Processing and Modeling

#### **How I Built the Model:**

#### 1.Data Cleaning

- 1. Removed irrelevant fields (e.g., phone number)
- 2. Converted text to numbers (e.g., Yes/No to 1/0)

#### 2.Data Balancing

1. Only 10% churned  $\rightarrow$  I used the SMOTE technique to balance data.

#### 3. Model Training

I Tried various algorithms; then chose one with highest accuracy and reliability Random Forest Classifier was likely chosen due to High ROC-AUC score (~0.917)

#### Outcome:

Built a model that learns from customer behavior to predict churn before it happens.

# **Model Performance & Results**

#### **Metric Used:**

**ROC-AUC Score = 0.917** (Excellent Performance)

## Interpretation:

- •91.7% accuracy in distinguishing between churners and non-churners
- •The model is reliable and can be used for real-time customer scoring

# **Key Insights**

High Churn Risk Detected

The model shows high accuracy (AUC = 0.917) in the churn prediction.

This means that certain customer behaviors strongly correlate with churn, such as:

- (a) High number of customer service calls.
- (b) Not subscribing to voice mail or international plans.
- (c) High charges during daytime usage.

## Recommendations for the Business

#### 1.Proactive Retention:

1. Call or offer discounts to predicted high-risk customers

#### 2.Enhance Customer Support:

1. Improve issue resolution speed and quality

#### 3.Bundle Plans & Offers:

1. Encourage uptake of voicemail and international packages

## 4.Data-Driven Strategy:

1. Use the model monthly to flag customers needing attention

# **Conclusion & Next Steps**

#### Conclusion:

The model provides early warning signals to prevent churn and save costs.

#### **Next Steps:**

- •Deploy the model into SyriaTel's CRM system.
- •Continuously monitor and update with fresh data.
- •Expand this approach to other areas (upselling, segmentation).

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