

Predicting Customer Churn for SyriaTel

Built Machine Learning Model

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Overview

- **Project Goal:** Predict customer churn to help SyriaTel retain customers and improve business outcomes.
- **Importance:** Retaining customers is more cost-effective than acquiring new ones. Predictive models help identify customers at risk of leaving.
- **Approach:** We built a machine learning model to predict churn using customer data.

Business Understanding

- ▶ Churn impacts revenue and customer lifetime value.
- ▶ Understanding customer behavior is key to improving retention.
- ▶ **E.g.:** Customers with frequent service issues may be more likely to churn.

Why Classification?

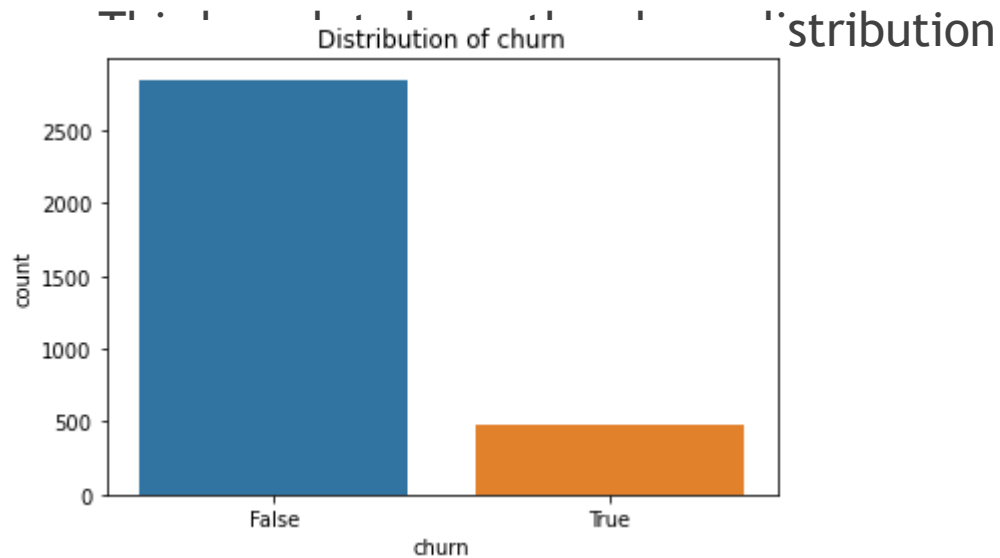
- **What is Classification?**
 - A method used to categorize data into groups (e.g., churn vs. no churn).
- **Purpose:**
 - Helps identify which customers are likely to leave SyriaTel.
- **Benefit:**
 - Enables targeted retention efforts, saving costs, and improving efficiency.

Data Overview

- ▶ Dataset provided by SyriaTel on url: 'https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/becksddf/churn-in-telecoms-dataset'
- ▶ Dataset includes customer demographics, account details, and usage metrics.
- ▶ **Key Features:** Age, contract type, monthly charges, and customer service calls.
- ▶ **Target Variable:** Churn (Yes/No)

Exploratory Data Analysis

- Churn rate in the dataset is around 14.5%.



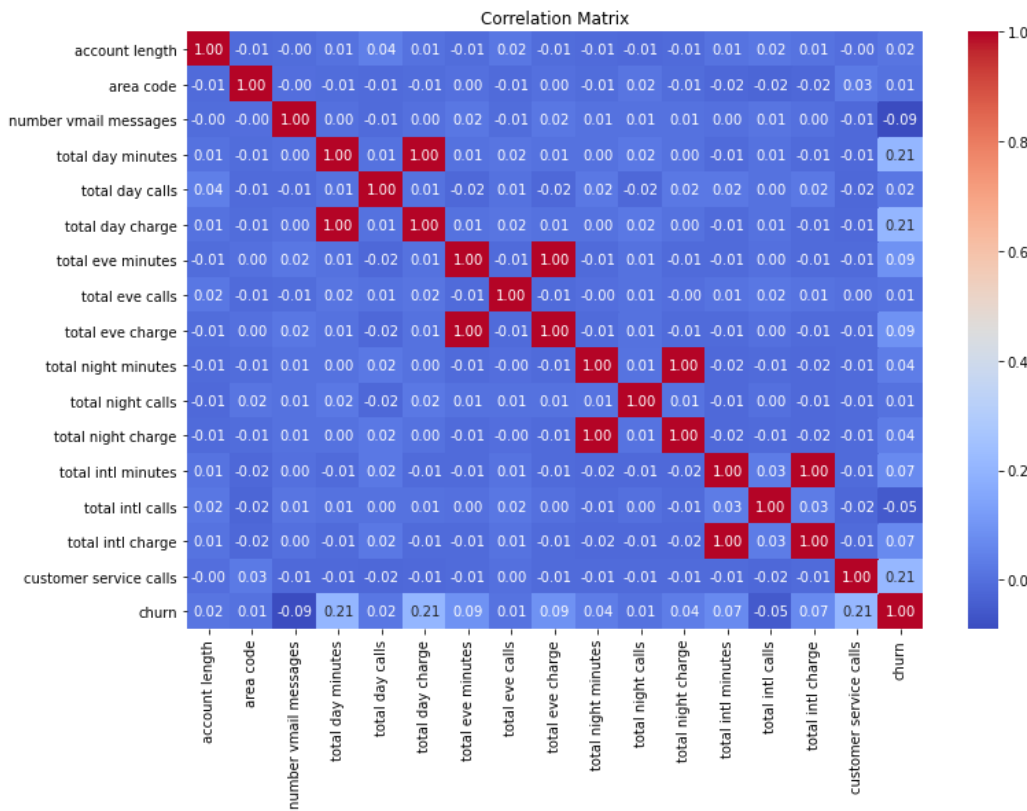
Exploratory Data Analysis

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- ▶ **Correlation:** Features like tenure and service calls are strongly related to churn.

See the correlation matrix in the next slide

Exploratory Data Analysis Cont'd



Modeling Approach

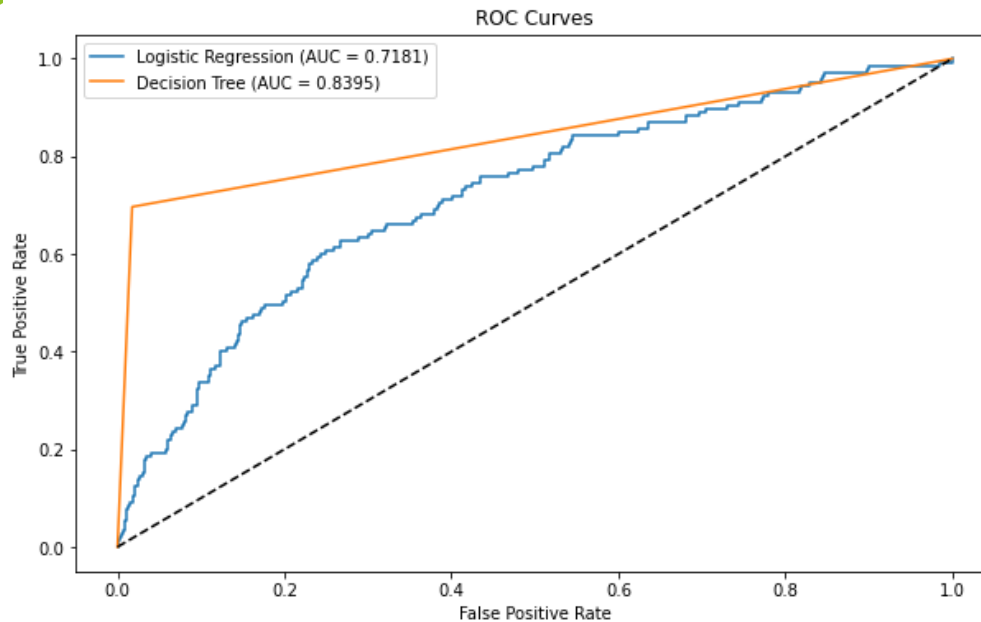
- ▶ The modelling approach was done by having three models as below to pick the best for deployment.
- ▶ **Baseline Model:** Dummy classifier to benchmark performance.
- ▶ **Logistic Regression:** Chosen for its simplicity and effectiveness.
- ▶ **Decision Tree:** Offers interpretability and captures non-linear relationships.

Model Evaluation

- ▶ **Metrics:** Accuracy, precision, recall, F1 score, and ROC-AUC.
- ▶ **Comparison:** Logistic regression outperformed other models.
- ▶ **ROC-AUC:** Indicates logistic regression has the best ability to distinguish churners.

ROC Curve Comparison

- ▶ ROC curve compares true positive rate vs. false positive rate.
- ▶ This is the roc-auc curve for the three models



- ▶ Decision tree: Highest AUC (Area Under the Curve), indicating strong performance.
- ▶ logistic regression performs well but slightly less effective than Decision tree.

Conclusion

- ▶ **Best Model:** Decision tree provides the most balanced and accurate predictions.
- ▶ **Business Impact:** Helps SyriaTel identify and retain high-risk customers.
- ▶ **Key Insight:** Data-driven decisions can significantly reduce churn.

Recommendations

- ▶ **Target High-Risk Customers:** Use model predictions for focused retention efforts.
- ▶ **Personalized Offers:** Provide incentives to prevent churn.
- ▶ **Monitor and Improve:** Continuously refine the model for better accuracy.

THE END

- ▶ Thank you for this opportunity to help you reduce the company churn rate through data analysis insights.
- ▶ Q & A