CatchPhish

An ML Approach to URL Phishing Detection

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The Problem



- Cybercrime is on the rise.
- Small to Medium Businesses (SMB's) account for 43% of all cyber attacks.
- 95% of all cyber breaches are attributed to human error.



What is Phishing?



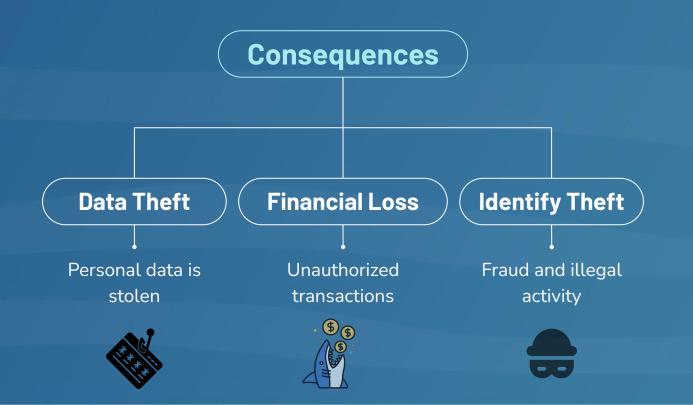
Don't We Already Have a Solution For This?

- More layers more protection
- SMB's struggle to adopt effective security
 - Lack of education
 - Cost
 - Optimism Bias
- SMB's are the best phish!





Impact of a Phishing Attack



The Impact of The Solution

- Financial Protection.
- Preservation of Reputation and Customer Trust.
- Reduce Downtime and Improve Productivity.

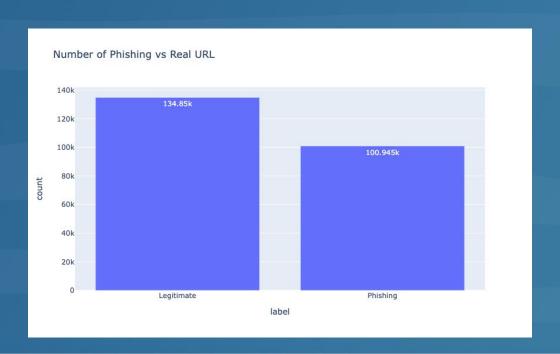






Understanding The Data

- The dataset contains 235,795 rows and 56 features.
 - 50 Feature Engineered by Data Engineer
 - Clean Dataset (no nulls or duplicates)





Preprocessing



Variance Thresholding Correlation Analysis Intercorrelation Analysis

Feature Importance



Findings From EDA

- A lot of inter collinearity
 - Total features reduced 10
- Features have extremely high predictive power



Preliminary Model

Logistic Regression

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Accuracy: 0.9980491528658368
Precision: 0.9982205086379476
Recall: 0.9983685576566556
F1 Score: 0.9982945276583123
Confusion Matrix:
[[20141 48]
     44 26926]]
Classification Report:
              precision
                   1.00
                             1.00
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                                                26970
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    accuracy
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   macro avg
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weighted avg
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Advanced Modelling

Decision Trees



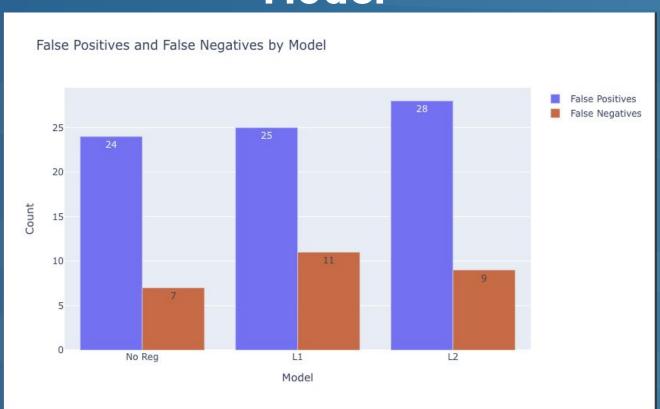
Random Forest



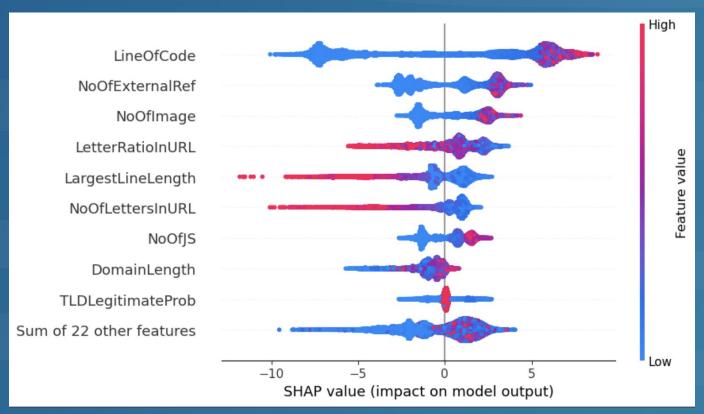
XGBoost

Model Optimization

The Best XGBoost Model



Advanced Modeling Result SHAP Plot



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Product Demo

CatchPhish - Phishing URL Detector

Enter the URL to check

