

TELECOM Churn Case Study



Case Study - Breakdown

- We have to Predict the Churn Rate in a Telecom Industry.
- We encounter 15-25 % Annual Churn Rate.
- Prepaid Customers Churn Prediction.
- Data Classification into Phases and Encodings.
- Understanding Customer Behavior
- Usage Based Churn.
- High Value Customers.
- Build Models.
- Select and Evaluate The Models.
- Understand Through Visualization of the Data.
- Recommend Strategies To Manage Customer Churn.
- Recommend Strategies for Customer Retention.

Steps involved in solving the Business Problem

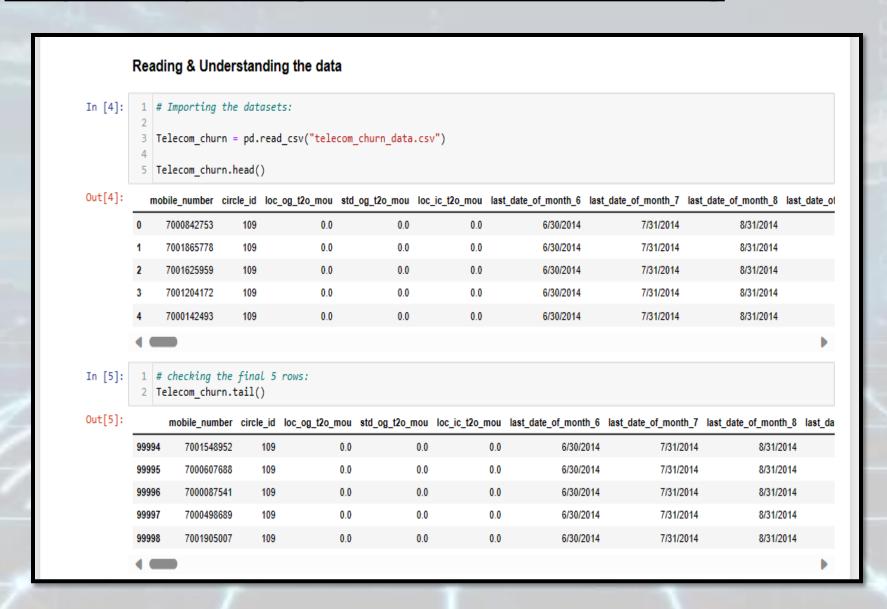
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Step 1. Importing Required Libraries

Importing the Python Libraries:

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In [2]:
        1 # Data Analysis:
         2 import numpy as np
         3 import pandas as pd
          4 from collections import Counter
         5 from math import sqrt
            # Visualization
         8 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         9 import seaborn as sns
         11 # Stats Libraries:
        12 from scipy import stats
        13 from scipy.stats import skew, norm
        14 from scipy.special import boxcox1p
        15 from scipy.stats import boxcox_normmax
         16
        17 # Machine Learning Libraries
        18 import statsmodels.api as sm
         20 #Sci-kit learn libraries
        21 from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
         22 from sklearn.model selection import train test split, GridSearchCV, KFold, cross val score
         23 from sklearn import metrics
        24 from sklearn.feature selection import RFE
         25 from sklearn.metrics import recall score, accuracy score, confusion matrix, f1 score, classification report
         26 from sklearn.metrics import precision_score, auc, roc_auc_score, roc_curve, precision_recall_curve,plot_roc_curve
        27 from sklearn.linear model import LogisticRegression
         28 from sklearn.decomposition import PCA, IncrementalPCA
         29 from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
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Step 2. Importing Data and Data Reading



Step 3. Data Cleaning

Note:

Dropping the data for the 9th month as they will not be used in prediction purpose as these values are not available for the model. They are only considered to calculate whether customer has churned or not.

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: # Dropping the 9 month data. Let's check how many column data we are about to drop print("Number of columns to be dropped : ", len(cols_with_9))
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Number of columns to be dropped: 56

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: Tel_high_val = Tel_high_val.drop(cols_with_9, axis=1)
print("Number of Columns remaining:", len(Tel_high_val.columns))
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Number of Columns remaining: 175

Step 4. Treating Missing Values and Null Values

Checking the null values

Telecom_null = null_calc(Telecom_churn)
Telecom_null

	Column Name	Null Values	Null Values Percentage			
0	count_rech_2g_6	74846	74.85			
1	max_rech_data_6	74846	74.85			
2	arpu_3g_6	74846	74.85			
3	av_rech_amt_data_6	74846	74.85			
4	count_rech_3g_6	74846	74.85			
5	night_pck_user_6	74846	74.85			
6	arpu_2g_6	74846	74.85			
7	fb_user_6	74846	74.85			
8	total_rech_data_6	74846	74.85			
9	date_of_last_rech_data_6	74846	74.85			
10	count_rech_3g_7	74428	74.43			
- 11	arpu 3q 7	74428	74.43			

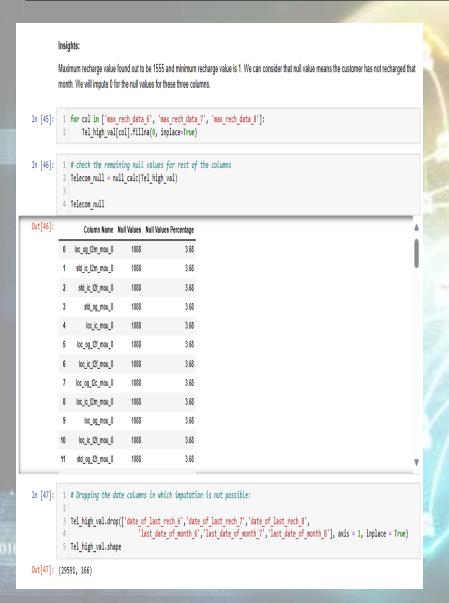
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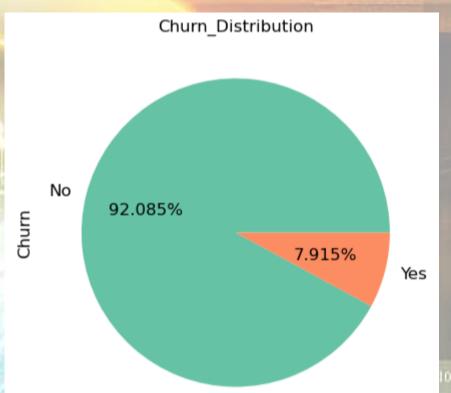
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date_of_last_rech_data_7 - 74.43 % missing values
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av_rech_amt_data_7 - 74.43 % missing values
total_rech_data_6 - 74.85 % missing values
total_rech_data_7 - 74.43 % missing values

Step 5. Exploratory Data Analysis and Data Visualization

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Boxplot visualization after Box-cox transformation
    # Create box plots for all numeric features
    fig, axes = plt.subplots(round(len(num cols) / 6), 6, figsize=(20, 40))
    for i, ax in enumerate(fig.axes):
        if i < len(num cols):</pre>
             ax.set xticklabels(ax.xaxis.get majorticklabels(), rotation=45)
             sns.boxplot(y=num_cols[i], data=Tel_high_val, x='churn', ax=ax,palette = ['m','b'])
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             ax.set ylabel(num cols[i],fontsize=12)
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             ax.set xlabel('churn',fontsize=12)
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    fig.tight layout()
    plt.show()
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Step 6. Statistical Operations and Handling Class Imbalance





Dataset is heavily Imbalanced we used PCA and sampling techniques to handle class-Imbalance

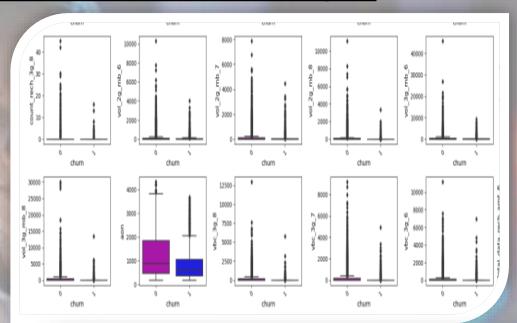
Step 7. Numerical and Categorical Data Analysis

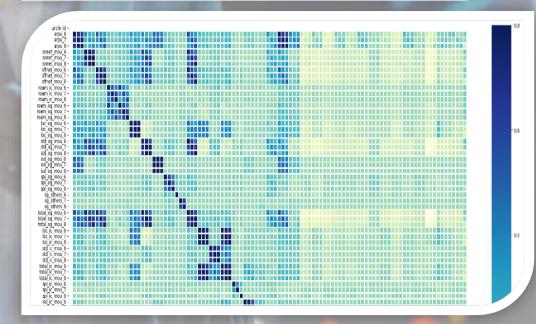
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11 plt.subplot(1, 3, 2)
12 plt.hist(Tel_high_val.loc[Tel_high_val['churn'] == 0, 'aon'], color='g', alpha=0.7)
13 plt.hist(Tel_high_val.loc[Tel_high_val['churn'] == 1, 'aon'], color='r', alpha=0.7)
14 plt.legend(['Not Churn', 'Churn'])
15 plt.title('Churn Distribution by AON')
17 # Plot 3
18 plt.subplot(1, 3, 3)
19 sns.boxplot(y='aon', data=Tel_high_val, x='churn', palette=['maroon', 'blue'])
20 plt.title('Churn Boxplot for AON')
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22 plt.show()
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Step 8. Outliers Handling and Correlation Analysis

- Analyzed the data patterns using different plots:
- Box-plot, Count-plot and Heat-maps (for correlation analysis among different features





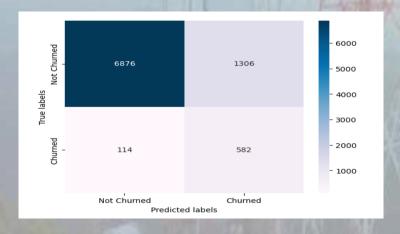
Step 9: Train and Test Split

Train- Test Split

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1 #Target variable
In [75]:
          3 | X = Tel high val.drop('churn', axis = 1)
          4 y = Tel high val[['churn']]
          6 # Splitting the data into train and test
          7 | X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.3, random_state = 100)
          9 #Checkiong the shape of the created Train & Test DFs
         10 print(" Shape of X_train is : ",X_train.shape)
         11 | print(" Shape of y_train is : ",y_train.shape)
         12 print(" Shape of X test is : ",X test.shape)
         13 print(" Shape of y test is : ",y test.shape)
          Shape of X train is : (20713, 72)
          Shape of y_train is: (20713, 1)
          Shape of X_test is : (8878, 72)
          Shape of y test is : (8878, 1)
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Step 10. Model Building

- We have used Logistic
 Regression model with
 sampling techniques and PCA
 and also random forest models.
- Finally, we have chosen the best model for this case study and based on certain Evaluation metrics



Step 2: Build the logistic model using RFE selected columns with StatsModels

logistic_model_imbalanced, X_train_sm_imbalanced = build_logistic_model(X_train_rfe_imbalanced, y_train)
logistic model imbalanced.summary()

Generalized Linear Model Regression Results

Dep. Variable:	churn	No. Observations:	20713
Model:	GLM	Df Residuals:	20687
Model Family:	Binomial	Df Model:	25
Link Function:	Logit	Scale:	1.0000
Method:	IRLS	Log-Likelihood:	-3468.4
Date:	Sun, 03 Dec 2023	Deviance:	6936.8
Time:	07:07:25	Pearson chi2:	3.23e+04
No. Iterations:	8	Pseudo R-squ. (CS):	0.1975
Covariance Type:	nonrobust		

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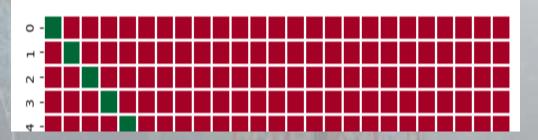
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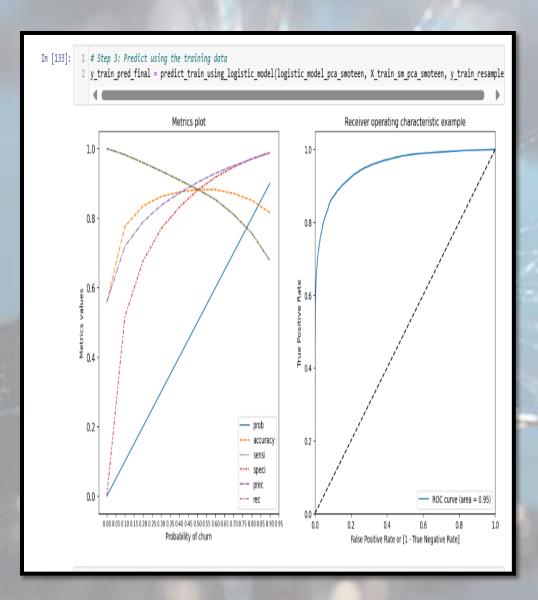
Step 1.2 : Create 25 Principal components

X_train_pca_smoteen, X_test_pca_smoteen = perform_incremental_PCA(X_train_resampled, y_

Shape of X train PCA: (34146, 25) Shape of Y train PCA: (34146, 1) Shape of X test PCA: (8878, 25) Shape of Y test PCA: (8878, 1)



Step 11. Model Evaluation



- We have used Evaluation metrics like:
- Precision
- Recall
- F1-Score
- AUC-ROC Curve
- Considered the Trade-off
 b/w different metrics and
 Interpretability and use
 case which we are dealing
 with it to achieve best
 possible results

Step 10. Model Building and Model Selection

- One of the best Performing Model: Random Forest with SMOTEENN & Hyper-parameter tuning (Model 7)
- Balances interpretability and prediction performance.
- Achieves a high recall of 0.8218, critical for identifying positive cases in churn prediction.
- Offers a competitive AUC score of 0.8424, indicating good discrimination power.
- Precision (0.3379) and F1 score (0.4789) strike a reasonable balance.
- Considering the trade-off between interpretability and performance, this model stands out for its overall effectiveness in capturing churn instances while maintaining reasonable interpretability.
- We can also choose other models like:
- Logistic Regression with PCA and SMOTE
- Logistic Regression with PCA & SMOTEENN (highest recall value - best prediction)
- In case of logisitic regression, make sure to handle multi-collinearity among the features
- Note: Achieving the balance in terms results (i.e trade-off b/w recall, discrimination power and interpretability needs to considered) Rather than focusing only on recall as a sole-determining factor of evaluation metric.

	Model	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1 score	Area under ROC curve
0	Logistic Regression with PCA & SMOTEENN	0.7799	0.2470	0.8822	0.3859	0.8267
1	Logistic Regression with PCA, SMOTEEN, L2 regu	0.8029	0.2674	0.8707	0.4092	0.8339
2	Logistic Regression with PCA & Random over sam	0.8319	0.2974	0.8391	0.4391	0.8352
3	Logistic Regression with SMOTE & without PCA	0.8401	0.3083	0.8362	0.4505	0.8383
4	Logistic Regression with PCA & Random under sa	0.8312	0.2957	0.8348	0.4367	0.8328
5	Logistic Regression with PCA & SMOTE	0.8361	0.3020	0.8319	0.4432	0.8342
6	Random Forest with SMOTEENN & Hyperparameter t	0.8598	0.3379	0.8218	0.4789	0.8424
7	Random Forest with SMOTEENN	0.9097	0.4535	0.7428	0.5632	0.8333
8	Logistic Regression on imbalanced data without	0.9401	0.6565	0.4943	0.5639	0.7361
9	Random Forest with class_weight	0.9459	0.7798	0.4325	0.5564	0.7110

Step 12. Feature selection and Insights

- High loc_ic_mou_action_phase indicates significant local incoming call activity, influencing retention.
- Total_ic_mou_action_phase, encompassing both local and STD incoming call minutes, strongly impacts customer retention.
- loc_og_mou_action_phase, representing local outgoing call activity, is a pivotal factor in customer decisions.
- Roam_og_mou_action_phase highlights the role of roaming outgoing minutes in understanding churn risk.
- Total_rech_amt_action_phase reveals that higher recharge investments correlate with increased customer retention.
- Total_og_mou_action_phase, combining local and STD outgoing call minutes, significantly influences retention.
- Roam_ic_mou_action_phase emphasizes the importance of incoming call activity during roaming for churn prediction.
- Arpu_action_phase, reflecting Average Revenue per User, contributes to understanding customer value and potential retention.
- Max_rech_amt_action_phase shows that customers with higher maximum recharges are more likely to be retained.
- Fb_user_8, indicating Facebook usage in the eighth month, contributes to churn prediction.

	Value	Feature
31	0.111361	loc_ic_mou_action_phase
41	0.109216	total_ic_mou_action_phase
19	0.072808	loc_og_mou_action_phase
17	0.068389	roam_og_mou_action_phase
45	0.065768	total_rech_amt_action_phase
29	0.063555	total_og_mou_action_phase
15	0.060821	roam_ic_mou_action_phase
9	0.039440	arpu_action_phase
47	0.035405	max_rech_amt_action_phase
6	0.035241	fb_user_8

Step 13. Business Recommendation

- Call usage, Recharge behavior, and roaming activity during the action phase.
- These insights suggest that customer communication patterns and recharge behaviors during the action phase heavily influence churn decisions.
- Emphasizing targeted promotions, improving network quality, and addressing customer needs during this critical phase can contribute to better customer retention.
- In summary, by strategically implementing targeted promotions, improving network quality, and addressing customer needs during the action phase, businesses can create a more customer-centric approach that positively impacts retention rates and overall customer satisfaction.

