## SYRIATEL CUSTOMER CHURN PREDICTION

# PROJECT OVERVIEW:

In Syria, the telecommunications industry faces a significant challenge in retaining customers amidst increasing competition and evolving consumer preferences. SyriaTelcom, one of the leading telecom service providers in the country, seeks to reduce customer churn by identifying patterns and factors contributing to customer attrition. High customer churn not only results in revenue loss but also undermines the company's reputation and market position.



## **BUSINESS PROBLEM OBJECTIVE:**

SyriaTel, a telecommunications company, aims to proactively address customer churn to retain valuable customers, reduce revenue loss, and enhance overall customer satisfaction and loyalty. To achieve this objective, SyriaTel seeks to develop a predictive model capable of identifying customers at risk of churn. By leveraging historical customer data and predictive analytics, SyriaTel aims to anticipate potential churn events and implement targeted retention strategies to mitigate churn and foster long-term customer relationships.

### **OBJECTIVE:**

The objective of this project is to analyze SyriaTelcom's customer data to understand the factors influencing churn and develop predictive models to forecast customer attrition. By leveraging machine learning algorithms and predictive analytics, the project aims to:

Identify key features and patterns associated with customer churn and non-churn.

Build predictive models to forecast the likelihood of churn for individual subscribers.

Provide actionable insights to SyriaTelcom for implementing targeted retention strategies and reducing customer attrition.

Enhance customer satisfaction and loyalty by addressing the underlying issues driving churn.

Improve SyriaTelcom's market position and competitiveness in the telecommunications industry by fostering long-term customer relationships.

# **RESEARCH QUESTIONS:**

- 1 .What are the key factors contributing to customer churn?
- 2 .How do characteristics, such as location, influence the likelihood of customer churn?
- 3 .Are there specific contract terms or pricing plans associated with higher churn rates among customers?
- 4 .Which is the best model to accurately predict churn?

# **DATA UNDERSTANDING:**

The dataset used in this project was obtained from SyriaTelcom's internal database, which contains comprehensive records of customer interactions and telecommunications services(+3000 customers and 20 columns). This makes it highly suitable for addressing the business problem at hand of predicting customer churn for Syria Telcom. Contained in the dataset are:

Extensive customer information:Contains a set of variables that provide insights into customer behavior, preferences, and usage patterns. This includes features such as account length, call details (e.g., duration, charges), service subscriptions (e.g., voice mail plan, international plan), and customer service interactions.

Historical Data: The dataset spans a considerable time period, allowing us to analyze historical trends and patterns in customer churn. By leveraging historical data, we can identify recurring patterns and factors that contribute to customer attrition.

Granular Call Details: Detailed information about call usage, including call duration, charges, and time of day, enables us to explore how different calling patterns may influence customer churn. This granularity allows for a more nuanced understanding of customer behavior.

Target Variable (Churn): The dataset includes a binary target variable indicating whether a customer has churned or not. This allows us to frame the prediction task as a supervised learning problem, where the goal is to accurately classify customers as churners or non-churners based on their characteristics and behavior.

#### **Data Exploration:**

Load the dataset.

Understand the structure of the dataset (columns, data types, etc.).

Check for missing values.

Explore the distribution of target variable (churn).

Understand the distribution and characteristics of features.

#### IMPORT LIBRARIES AND LOAD DATA

```
In [1]:
        # Import necessary libraries
        import pandas as pd
        import numpy as np
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        %matplotlib inline
        import seaborn as sns
        import warnings
        warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
        from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, cross_val_score
        from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, MinMaxScaler
        from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer
        from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
        from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
        from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
        from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
        from sklearn.metrics import classification report, confusion matrix
        from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
        from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
        from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
        from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
        from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
        from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, precision_score, recall_score, f1_
        # Set seaborn style
        sns.set(style="whitegrid")
```

In [2]: #load the data
 df = pd.read\_csv('bigml\_59c28831336c6604c800002a 2.csv')
 # observe the first five entries of the dataset
 df.head()

## Out[2]:

	state	account length	area code	phone number	international plan	voice mail plan	number vmail messages	total day minutes	total day calls	total day charge	 to e ca
0	KS	128	415	382- 4657	no	yes	25	265.1	110	45.07	 !
1	ОН	107	415	371- 7191	no	yes	26	161.6	123	27.47	 1
2	NJ	137	415	358- 1921	no	no	0	243.4	114	41.38	 1
3	ОН	84	408	375- 9999	yes	no	0	299.4	71	50.90	 į
4	OK	75	415	330- 6626	yes	no	0	166.7	113	28.34	 1:

5 rows × 21 columns

#### UNDERSTAND THE DATAFRAME STRUCTURE

In [3]: #print names of all the columns in the dataset
df.shape

Out[3]: (3333, 21)

# In [4]: #check the data types of each column df.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 3333 entries, 0 to 3332
Data columns (total 21 columns):

Data	columns (total 21 column	ns):	
#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	state	3333 non-null	object
1	account length	3333 non-null	int64
2	area code	3333 non-null	int64
3	phone number	3333 non-null	object
4	international plan	3333 non-null	object
5	voice mail plan	3333 non-null	object
6	number vmail messages	3333 non-null	int64
7	total day minutes	3333 non-null	float64
8	total day calls	3333 non-null	int64
9	total day charge	3333 non-null	float64
10	total eve minutes	3333 non-null	float64
11	total eve calls	3333 non-null	int64
12	total eve charge	3333 non-null	float64
13	total night minutes	3333 non-null	float64
14	total night calls	3333 non-null	int64
15	total night charge	3333 non-null	float64
16	total intl minutes	3333 non-null	float64
17	total intl calls	3333 non-null	int64
18	total intl charge	3333 non-null	float64
19	customer service calls	3333 non-null	int64
20	churn	3333 non-null	bool
dtype	es: bool(1), float64(8),	int64(8), object	t(4)
memor	ry usage: 524.2+ KB		

Our dataset has 3,333 rows and 21 columns and no null values. We also observe that there is a mix of data types. Our target variable 'churn' is a boolean data type making this a classification problem

- state: Different states of the customers
- · account length: number of days a customer's account has been active
- · area code: location of the customer
- phone number : customer's phone number
- international plan : whether the customer uses the international plan or not
- · voice mail plan: whether the customer has subscribed to vmail plan or not
- number vmail messages: if customer has a vmail plan, how many vmail messages do they get
- total day minutes: total number of call minutes used during the day
- total day calls: total number of calls made during the day
- total day charge : total charge on day calls
- total eve minutes: total number of call minutes used in the evening
- total eve calls : total calls made in the evening
- total eve charge : total charge on evening calls
- total night minutes: Total number of call minutes used at night
- · total night calls: Total number of night calls

- total night charge: Total charge on night calls
- total intl minutes : total international minutes used
- total intl calls : total number of international calls made
- total intl charge: total charge on international calls
- customer service calls : number of calls made to customer service
- · churn: boolean on whether the customer left or not

```
In [5]: #check for missing values
df.isnull().sum()
```

```
Out[5]: state
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        area code
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        phone number
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        international plan
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        voice mail plan
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        number vmail messages
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        total day minutes
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        total day calls
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        total day charge
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        total eve minutes
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        total eve calls
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        total eve charge
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        total night minutes
                                   0
        total night calls
                                   0
        total night charge
                                   0
        total intl minutes
                                   0
        total intl calls
                                   0
        total intl charge
                                   0
        customer service calls
                                   0
                                   0
        churn
        dtype: int64
```

Our dataset has no missing values.

```
In [6]: df.duplicated().sum()
```

## Out[6]: 0

our dataset has no duplicate row values.

In [7]: #summary of descriptive statistics for numerical columns
 df.describe(include=[np.number])

Out[7]:

	account length	area code	number vmail messages	total day minutes	total day calls	total day charge	total e minut
count	3333.000000	3333.000000	3333.000000	3333.000000	3333.000000	3333.000000	3333.0000
mean	101.064806	437.182418	8.099010	179.775098	100.435644	30.562307	200.9803
std	39.822106	42.371290	13.688365	54.467389	20.069084	9.259435	50.7138
min	1.000000	408.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.0000
25%	74.000000	408.000000	0.000000	143.700000	87.000000	24.430000	166.6000
50%	101.000000	415.000000	0.000000	179.400000	101.000000	30.500000	201.4000
75%	127.000000	510.000000	20.000000	216.400000	114.000000	36.790000	235.3000
max	243.000000	510.000000	51.000000	350.800000	165.000000	59.640000	363.7000
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# DATA PREPARATION.

By making a copy of the dataframe, we can conduct an indepth analysis of the data's properties, distributions, and relationships, gaining valuable insights that will inform subsequent analytical steps. This approach maintains the integrity of the original dataset while enabling us to perform in-depth EDA with confidence and accuracy.

Out[8]:

	state	account length	area code	•	international plan	voice mail plan	number vmail messages	total day minutes	total day calls	total day charge	 to e ca
0	KS	128	415	382- 4657	no	yes	25	265.1	110	45.07	 !
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5 rows × 21 columns

```
In [9]: # Drop 'phone number' columns
df2.drop(columns=['phone number'],axis=1,inplace=True)
df2.head()
```

Out[9]:

	state	account length	area code	international plan	voice mail plan	number vmail messages	total day minutes	total day calls	total day charge	total eve minutes	total eve calls
0	KS	128	415	no	yes	25	265.1	110	45.07	197.4	99
1	ОН	107	415	no	yes	26	161.6	123	27.47	195.5	103
2	NJ	137	415	no	no	0	243.4	114	41.38	121.2	110
3	ОН	84	408	yes	no	0	299.4	71	50.90	61.9	88
4	OK	75	415	yes	no	0	166.7	113	28.34	148.3	122
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From our dataset we will be dropping the 'phone number' column as it is a unique identifier for each customer therefore not relevant for analysis.

# **EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS (EDA)**

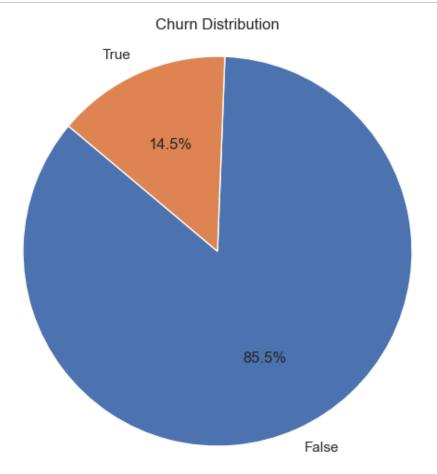
In this analysis, the 'churn' feature serves as the dependent variable. The 'churn' variable signifies whether a customer has terminated their contract with SyriaTel. A value of 'True' means a contract termination, while 'False' indicates that the customer has not terminated their contract and maintains an active account.

In [10]:	<pre>df.nunique()</pre>	
Out[10]:	state	51
	account length	212
	area code	3
	phone number	3333
	international plan	2
	voice mail plan	2
	number vmail messages	46
	total day minutes	1667
	total day calls	119
	total day charge	1667
	total eve minutes	1611
	total eve calls	123
	total eve charge	1440
	total night minutes	1591
	total night calls	120
	total night charge	933
	total intl minutes	162
	total intl calls	21
	total intl charge	162
	customer service calls	10
	churn	2
	dtype: int64	

NUMERICAL FEATURES:(account length, number vmail messages, total day minutes, total day calls, total day charge, total eve minutes, total eve calls,total eve charge,total night minutes,total night charge,total intl minutes,total intl charge,customer service calls)

CATEGORICAL FEATURES: (state, area code, international plan, voicemail plan)

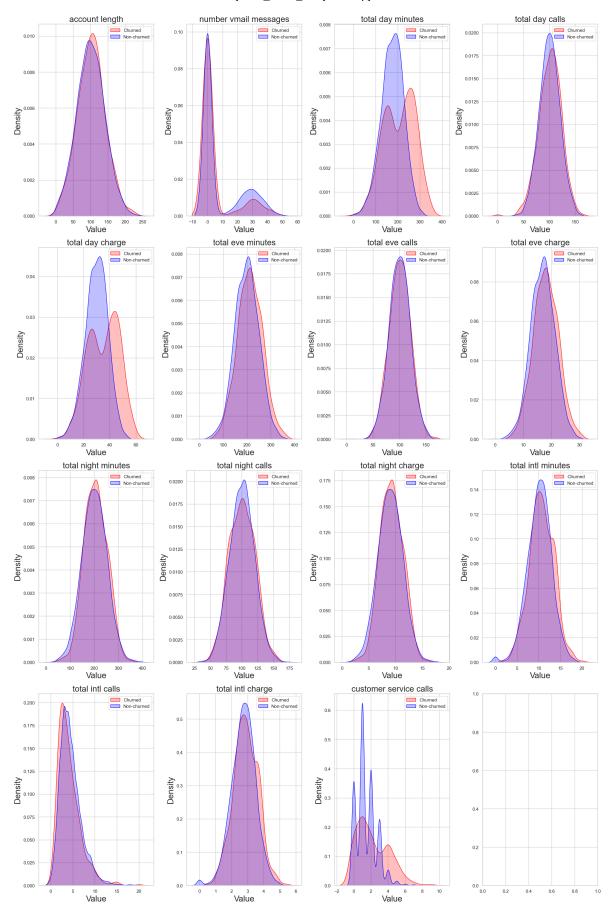
#### PIE-CHART OF NUMBER OF CHURNED AND NON-CHURNED CUSTOMERS.



The above pie chart shows the distribution of churned and non-churned syria tel customers. The distribution is indicated in percentage, with 14.5% "true churn" indicates customers who have ended their subscription. 85.5% "false churn" indicates customers who are still active subscribers. This also shows "non-churn") has a much higher count compared to the other class ("churn"), indicating that the dataset has a class imbalance that may lead to model complications such as model bias.

#### **DISTRIBUTION PLOT OF NUMERICAL VARIABLES**

```
# Create subplots for each numerical variable
In [13]:
         num_plots = len(numeric_cols)
         num_rows = 4
         num_cols = 4
         fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=num_rows, ncols=num_cols, figsize=(20, 30))
         # Iterate through numerical variables
         for i, var in enumerate(numeric_cols):
             row = i // num_cols
             col = i % num_cols
             # Plot churned customers
             sns.kdeplot(df[df['churn'] == True][var], shade=True, ax=axes[row, col], d
             # Plot non-churned customers
             sns.kdeplot(df[df['churn'] == False][var], shade=True, ax=axes[row, col],
             # Set title, labels, and legend
             axes[row, col].set_title(var, fontsize=20)
             axes[row, col].set_xlabel('Value', fontsize=20)
             axes[row, col].set_ylabel('Density', fontsize=20)
             axes[row, col].legend()
         plt.tight layout()
         plt.savefig('numerical_distribution_plot')
         plt.show()
```

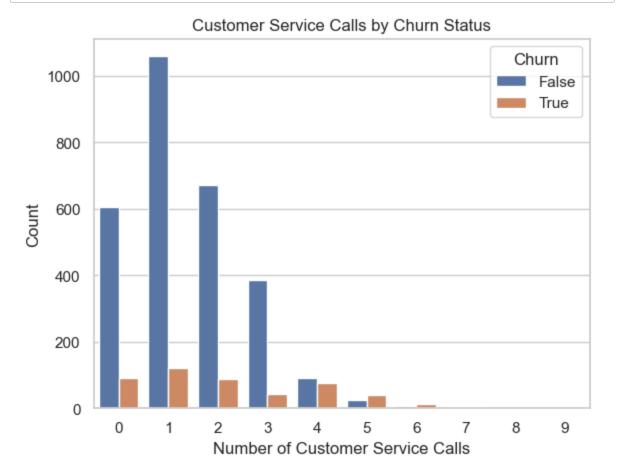


Above are distribution plots of churned and non-churned customers in the numerical category. We observe that non-churned customers are more than churned customers we also observe that the distribution is normal while that of total international calls is skewed to the right though still normally distributed. Customers service calls is observed to have a few peaks in it distribution, this could be due the column countaining float and not an interger number.

#### **CUSTOMER SERVICE CALLS**

```
In [14]: sns.countplot(x='customer service calls', data=df2, hue='churn').set(title='Cuplt.xlabel('Number of Customer Service Calls')
    plt.ylabel('Count')
    plt.title('Customer Service Calls by Churn Status')
    plt.legend(title='Churn', loc='upper right')

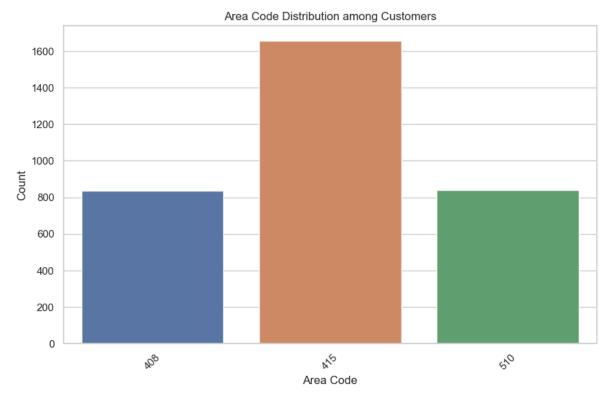
# Save the plot
    plt.savefig('customer_service_calls_plot')
    plt.show()
```



There is an obvious relationship between true churn rate and customer service calls. After 4 calls this customers are a lot more likely to terminate service this could be due to disatisfaction with the overall customer experience and/or unmet expectations.

#### PLOT DISTRIBUTION OF CUSTOMERS IN THE VARIOUS AREA CODES.

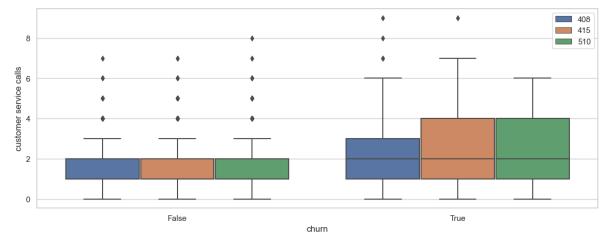
```
In [15]: #count and plot the number of customers in each area code
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.countplot(data=df2, x='area code')
plt.xlabel('Area Code')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('Area Code Distribution among Customers')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.savefig('Area_Code_Distribution_among_Customers')
plt.show()
```



This distribution indicates that the majority of SyriaTel customers, specifically 50% of them, are located in the area with the code 415. The remaining 50% of customers are evenly split between the areas with codes 510 and 408.

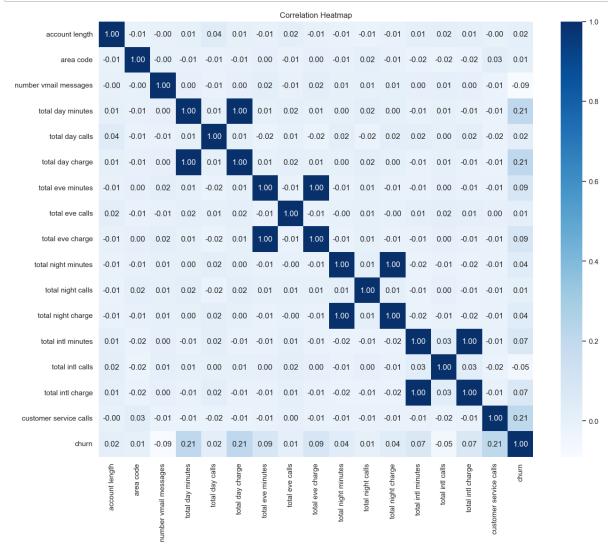
DISTRIBUTION OF CHURNED AND NON -CHURNED CUSTOMERS IN THE AREA CODES.

```
In [16]: plt.figure(figsize=(14,5))
    sns.boxplot(data=df2,x='churn',y='customer service calls',hue='area code');
    plt.legend(loc='upper right');
```



This plot displays the combined counts of churn and non-churn instances for each area code with area-code 415 having the highest churn count.

## NUMERICAL COLUMN CORRELATION PLOT.

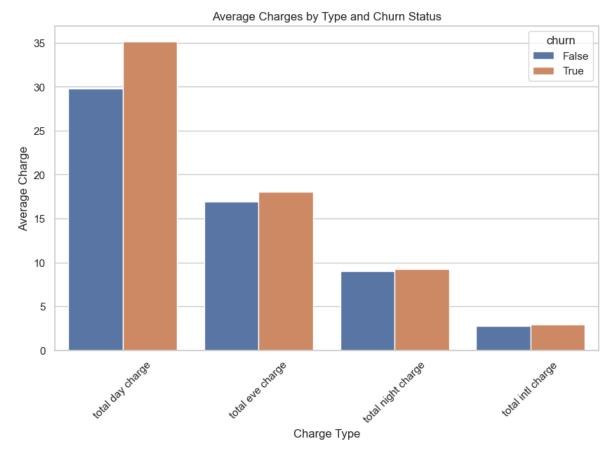


some of the features in the dataset demonstrate a perfect positive correlation, such as "Total day charge" and "Total day minutes", "Total eve charge" and "Total eve minutes", "Total night charge" and "Total night minutes", and "Total int charge" and "Total int minutes". They have a correlation coefficient of 1.00, indicating perfect multicollinearity. During modeling, perfect multicollinearity can cause issues, but its impact on the nonlinear models can vary. However when some models get affected by perfect multicollinearity, others may not be influenced significantly.

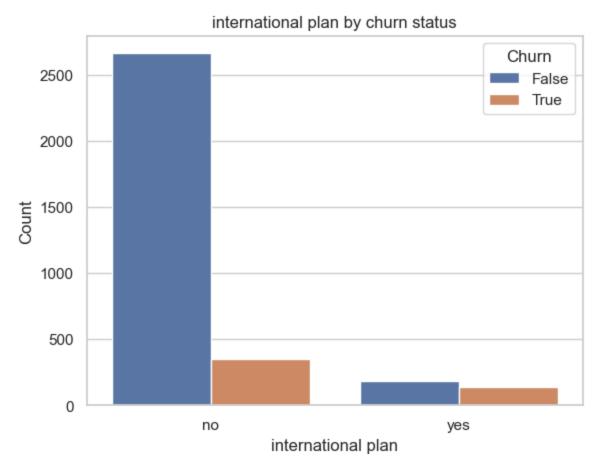
#### **CHURN BY CHARGE STATUS**

```
In [18]: # Calculate average charges for each type of charge
    average_charges = df2.groupby('churn')[['total day charge', 'total eve charge'

# Melt the dataframe for easier plotting
    average_charges_melted = pd.melt(average_charges, id_vars='churn', var_name='c
    # Plot the bar plot
    plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
    sns.barplot(x='charge_type', y='average_charge', hue='churn', data=average_cha
    plt.title('Average Charges by Type and Churn Status')
    plt.xlabel('Charge Type')
    plt.ylabel('Average Charge')
    plt.savefig('Average_charges_type_churn')
    plt.show()
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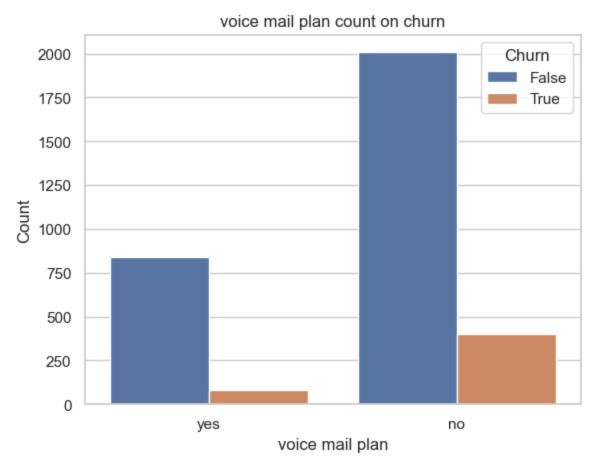
# **DISTRIBUTION OF CATEGORICAL VARIABLE**



We have a small number of customers with an international plan howerver we observe a high churn rate among this group. Possible reasons for the high churn rate could be dissatisfaction with the international plan, international plan charges etc. Emphasizing a need for plan restructure.

```
In [20]: sns.countplot(x='voice mail plan', data=df2, hue='churn').set(title='voice mail plt.xlabel('voice mail plan')
    plt.ylabel('Count')
    plt.title('voice mail plan count on churn')
    plt.legend(title='Churn', loc='upper right')

# Save the plot
    plt.savefig('voice_mail_plan_count_on_churn')
    plt.show()
```



We can observe from the plot above that there is a significantly low churn rate among customers with a voicemail plan. This indicates customers have a prefernce of using this plan.

### DATA PREPROCESSING AND PREPARATION

```
In [21]: print("original dataframe has {} columns.".format(df2.shape[1]))
# Calculate the correlation matrix and take the absolute value
corr_matrix = df2.corr().abs()

# Create a True/False mask and apply it
mask = np.triu(np.ones_like(corr_matrix, dtype=bool))
tri_df2 = corr_matrix.mask(mask)

# List column names of highly correlated features (r > 0.90)
to_drop = [c for c in tri_df2.columns if any(tri_df2[c] > 0.90)]
new_df2 = df2.drop(to_drop, axis=1) # Drop the features
print("new dataframe has {} columns.".format(new_df2.shape[1]))
```

original dataframe has 20 columns. new dataframe has 16 columns.

#### Transform "churn" column from true and false to 0s and 1s

```
In [22]:
           new_df2['churn'].value_counts()
Out[22]: False
                      2850
                       483
           True
           Name: churn, dtype: int64
In [23]:
           new_df2['churn'] = new_df2['churn'].map({True: 1, False: 0}).astype('int')
           new df2.head()
Out[23]:
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#### ONE-HOT ENCODING CATEGORICAL FEATURES.

To be able to run a classification model categorical features are transformed into dummy variable values of 0 and 1

In [24]: dummy\_df2\_area\_code = pd.get\_dummies(new\_df2["area\_code"],dtype=np.int64,prefi dummy\_df2\_international\_plan = pd.get\_dummies(new\_df2["international plan"],dt dummy\_df2\_voice\_mail\_plan = pd.get\_dummies(new\_df2["voice\_mail\_plan"],dtype=np new\_df2 = pd.concat([new\_df2,dummy\_df2\_area\_code,dummy\_df2\_international\_plan, new\_df2 = new\_df2.loc[:,~new\_df2.columns.duplicated()] new\_df2 = new\_df2.drop(['area code','international plan','voice mail plan'],ax new df2.head() In [25]: Out[25]: total number total total total total total total total custom account state vmail day day eve eve night night intl intl servic length messages calls charge calls charge calls charge calls charge cal 0 KS 128 25 110 45.07 99 16.78 91 11.01 3 2.70 1 ОН 26 27.47 103 16.62 11.45 3.70 107 123 103 2 NJ 137 0 114 41.38 110 10.30 104 7.32 5 3.29 71 7 3 OH 84 0 50.90 88 5.26 89 8.86 1.78 OK 75 0 113 28.34 122 12.61 121 8.41 3 2.73

#### LABEL ENCODING STATE COLUMN

Label encoding is a technique used to convert categorical columns to numerical ones so that the can be fitted by machine learning models which only take numerical variables.

```
In [26]: le = LabelEncoder()
    le.fit(new_df2['state'])
    new_df2['state'] = le.transform(new_df2['state'])
    new_df2.head()
```

#### Out[26]:

	state	account length	number vmail messages	total day calls	total day charge	total eve calls	total eve charge	total night calls	total night charge	total intl calls	total intl charge	custom servic cal
0	16	128	25	110	45.07	99	16.78	91	11.01	3	2.70	
1	35	107	26	123	27.47	103	16.62	103	11.45	3	3.70	
2	31	137	0	114	41.38	110	10.30	104	7.32	5	3.29	
3	35	84	0	71	50.90	88	5.26	89	8.86	7	1.78	
4	36	75	0	113	28.34	122	12.61	121	8.41	3	2.73	
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#### **OUTLIER DETECTION AND TREATMENT**

```
In [28]: from scipy import stats
    print("Before dropping numerical outliers, length of the dataframe is: ", len(
    def drop_numerical_outliers(new_df2, z_thresh=3):

# Use DataFrame.copy() to avoid modifying the original DataFrame
    new_df2 = new_df2.copy()

# Apply z-score method to identify outliers
    constrains = new_df2.select_dtypes(include=[np.number]).apply(lambda x: np

# Drop rows with outliers
    new_df2.drop(new_df2.index[~constrains], inplace=True)

    return new_df2

new_df2 = drop_numerical_outliers(new_df2)
    print("After dropping numerical outliers, length of the dataframe is: ", len(n)
```

Before dropping numerical outliers, length of the dataframe is: 3333 After dropping numerical outliers, length of the dataframe is: 2860

#### SCALING NUMERICAL FEATURE.

```
In [29]: scaler = MinMaxScaler()

def scaling(columns):
    return scaler.fit_transform(new_df2[columns].values.reshape(-1,1))

for i in new_df2.select_dtypes(include=[np.number]).columns:
    new_df2[i] = scaling(i)
    new_df2.head()
```

#### Out[29]:

	state	account length	number vmail messages	total day calls	total day charge	total eve calls	total eve charge	total night calls	total night charge	total intl calls
0	0.32	0.587963	0.510204	0.576271	0.773956	0.495652	0.490082	0.422414	0.644118	0.2
1	0.70	0.490741	0.530612	0.686441	0.450248	0.530435	0.483858	0.525862	0.676471	0.2
2	0.62	0.629630	0.000000	0.610169	0.706088	0.591304	0.238040	0.534483	0.372794	0.4
6	0.38	0.55556	0.489796	0.389831	0.627184	0.573913	0.989498	0.655172	0.538235	0.6
8	0.36	0.537037	0.000000	0.466102	0.521979	0.330435	1.000000	0.413793	0.548529	0.3
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#### **FEATURE SCALING**

```
In [30]: # create the X and Y variables (predict and target values)
y = new_df2['churn']

X = new_df2.drop(['churn'], axis=1)

#split data into train and test sets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.25, rand

print("X_train shape:", X_train.shape)
print("X_test shape:", X_test.shape)
print("y_train shape:", y_train.shape)
print("y_test shape:", y_test.shape)

X_train shape: (2145, 17)
X_test shape: (715, 17)
y_train shape: (2145,)
y_test shape: (715,)
```

#### **SMOTE**

SMOTE is a data resampling technique used to address class imbalance by generating synthetic samples for the minority class. In this case our minority is churned.

```
In [31]: !pip install imbalanced-learn
```

Requirement already satisfied: imbalanced-learn in /Users/berylsaoke/anaconda 3/envs/learn-env/lib/python3.8/site-packages (0.12.0)
Requirement already satisfied: numpy>=1.17.3 in /Users/berylsaoke/anaconda3/e nvs/learn-env/lib/python3.8/site-packages (from imbalanced-learn) (1.18.5)
Requirement already satisfied: scipy>=1.5.0 in /Users/berylsaoke/anaconda3/en vs/learn-env/lib/python3.8/site-packages (from imbalanced-learn) (1.5.3)
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Requirement already satisfied: joblib>=1.1.1 in /Users/berylsaoke/anaconda3/e nvs/learn-env/lib/python3.8/site-packages (from imbalanced-learn) (1.2.0) Requirement already satisfied: threadpoolctl>=2.0.0 in /Users/berylsaoke/anac onda3/envs/learn-env/lib/python3.8/site-packages (from imbalanced-learn) (2.2.0)

```
In [32]: #smote is used to address class imbalance in machine learning
from imblearn.over_sampling import SMOTE
    oversample = SMOTE(k_neighbors=5)
    X_smote, y_smote = oversample.fit_resample(X, y)
    print(y_smote.value_counts())
```

```
0.0 2546
1.0 2546
```

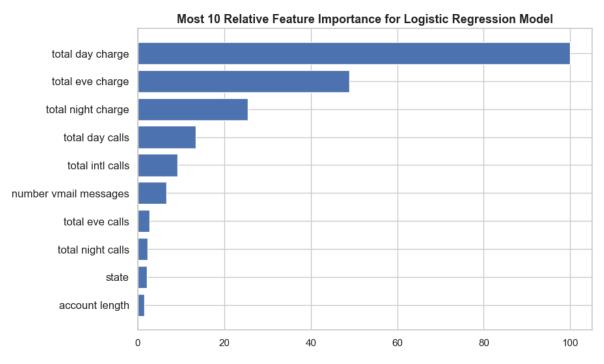
Name: churn, dtype: int64

# **MODELS**

## **LOGISTIC REGRESSION MODEL**

```
In [34]: # Feature Importances
    feature_importance = abs(lr.coef_[0])
    feature_importance = 100.0 * (feature_importance / feature_importance.max())[0
    sorted_idx = np.argsort(feature_importance)[0:10]
    pos = np.arange(sorted_idx.shape[0]) + .5

    featfig = plt.figure(figsize=(9, 6))
    featax = featfig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
    featax.barh(pos, feature_importance[sorted_idx], align='center')
    plt.title('Most 10 Relative Feature Importance for Logistic Regression Model',
    featax.set_yticks(pos)
    featax.set_yticklabels(np.array(X.columns)[sorted_idx], fontsize=12)
```



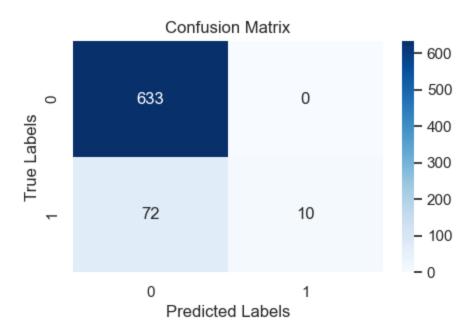
In [35]: print(classification\_report(y\_test, y\_test\_pred, target\_names=['0', '1']))

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0 1	0.90 1.00	1.00 0.12	0.95 0.22	633 82
accuracy macro avg weighted avg	0.95 0.91	0.56 0.90	0.90 0.58 0.86	715 715 715

In [36]:
 print('Accuracy score for testing set: ',round(accuracy\_score(y\_test,y\_test\_pr
 print('F1 score for testing set: ',round(f1\_score(y\_test,y\_test\_pred),5))
 print('Recall score for testing set: ',round(recall\_score(y\_test,y\_test\_pred),
 print('Precision score for testing set: ',round(precision\_score(y\_test,y\_test\_cm\_lr = confusion\_matrix(y\_test, y\_test\_pred))
 f, ax= plt.subplots(1,1,figsize=(5,3))
 sns.heatmap(cm\_lr, annot=True, cmap='Blues', fmt='g', ax=ax)
 ax.set\_xlabel('Predicted Labels'); ax.set\_ylabel('True Labels'); ax.set\_title
 ax.xaxis.set\_ticklabels(['0', '1']); ax.yaxis.set\_ticklabels(['0', '1'])

Accuracy score for testing set: 0.8993 F1 score for testing set: 0.21739 Recall score for testing set: 0.12195 Precision score for testing set: 1.0

Out[36]: [Text(0, 0.5, '0'), Text(0, 1.5, '1')]



Accuracy Score (0.8993):An accuracy of 0.8993 suggests that the model correctly predicted the churn status of approximately 89.9% of the customers in the testing set. F1 Score (0.21739):A low F1 score of 0.21739 indicates that the model's accuracy in predicting both churn and non-churn customers is relatively poor. Recall Score (0.12195):A recall score of 0.12195 means that the model correctly identified only about 12.2% of the churn cases in the testing set. Precision

Score (1.0):A precision score of 1.0 suggests that when the model predicts a customer will churn. it is always correct. However, this high precision score seems unusual and may indicate

# **MODEL 2; DECISION TREE MODEL**

```
In [37]: # Create Logistic regression model:
    dt = DecisionTreeClassifier()

# Train the model:
    dt.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Make predictions on the training and testing sets:
    y_train_pred = dt.predict(X_train)
    y_test_pred = dt.predict(X_test)
```

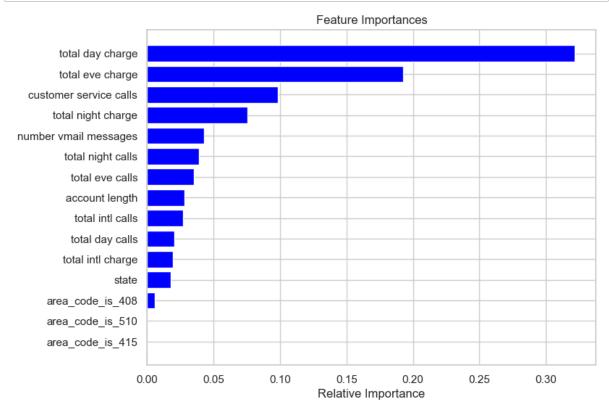
# **Feature Importance**

The chart below shows the top 10 features and their importance levels determined by the hyperparameter tuned Decision tree model. The importance values indicate the relative significance of each feature in predicting the target variable.

Analyzing feature importance helps identify the most influential factors in the model's decision-making process. This information guides feature selection and highlights areas for further investigation or model improvement.

```
In [38]: feature_names = list(X_train.columns)
    importances = dt.feature_importances_[0:15]
    indices = np.argsort(importances)

plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
    plt.title('Feature Importances')
    plt.barh(range(len(indices)), importances[indices], color='Blue', align='cente
    plt.yticks(range(len(indices)), [feature_names[i] for i in indices])
    plt.xlabel('Relative Importance')
    plt.show()
```



# **Classification Report**

macro avg

weighted avg

In [39]:	print(classif	ication_repo	rt(y_test	, y_test_pr	red, target_	names=['0', '1']))
		precision	recall	f1-score	support	
	0	0.96	0.96	0.96	633	
	1	0.66	0.67	0.67	82	
	accuracy			0.92	715	

0.81

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0.92

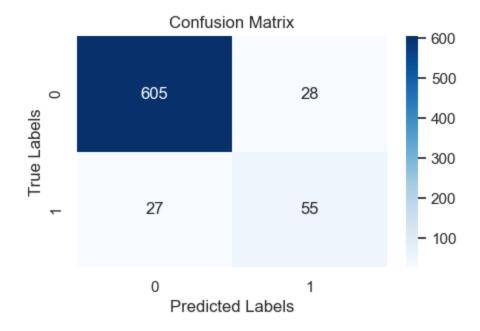
715

715

0.81

0.92

Accuracy score for testing set: 0.92308 F1 score for testing set: 0.66667 Recall score for testing set: 0.67073 Precision score for testing set: 0.66265



Accuracy Score (0.92308):An accuracy of 0.92308 suggests that the model correctly predicted the churn status of approximately 92.3% of the customers in the testing set. F1 Score (0.68874):A higher F1 score of 0.66667 indicates that the model's accuracy in predicting both churn and non-churn customers is relatively good. Recall Score (0.67073):A recall score of 0.67073 means that the model correctly identified approximately 67.0% of the churn cases in the testing set. Precision Score (0.66265):A precision score of 0.66265 suggests that when the model predicts a customer will churn, it is correct approximately 66.2% of the time.

# **MODEL 3; RANDOM FOREST CLASSIFIER**

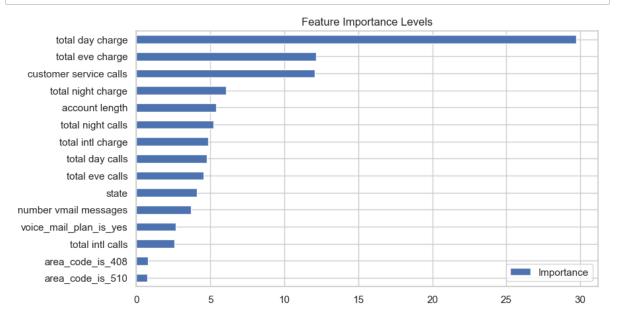
```
In [41]: # Create Logistic regression model:
    rf = RandomForestClassifier()

# Train the model:
    rf.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Make predictions on the training and testing sets:
    y_train_pred = rf.predict(X_train)
    y_test_pred = rf.predict(X_test)
```

# **Random Forest Feature Importance**

```
In [42]: Importance =pd.DataFrame({"Importance": rf.feature_importances_*100},index = X
Importance.sort_values(by = "Importance", axis = 0, ascending = True).tail(15)
plt.title("Feature Importance Levels");
plt.show()
```

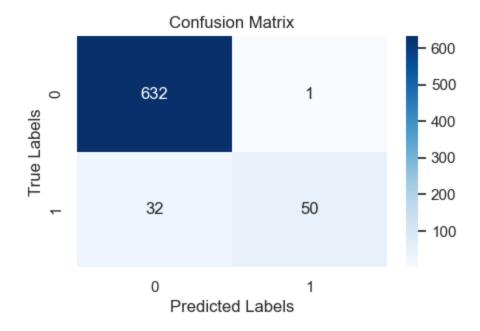


# **Classification Report**

In [43]: print(classification\_report(y\_test, y\_test\_pred, target\_names=['0', '1']))

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0 1	0.95 0.98	1.00 0.61	0.97 0.75	633 82
accuracy			0.95	715
macro avg	0.97	0.80	0.86	715
weighted avg	0.96	0.95	0.95	715

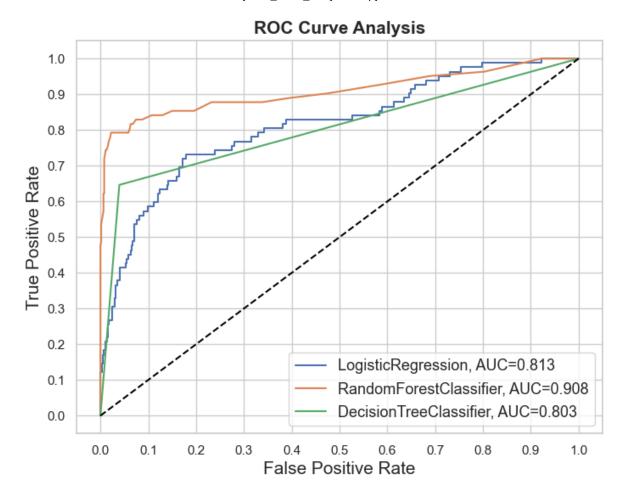
> Accuracy score for testing set: 0.95385 F1 score for testing set: 0.75188 Recall score for testing set: 0.60976 Precision score for testing set: 0.98039



Accuracy Score (0.95385):An accuracy of 0.95385 suggests that the model correctly predicted the churn status of approximately 95.3% of the customers in the testing set. F1 Score (0.75188):A higher F1 score of 0.75188 indicates that the model's accuracy in predicting both churn and non-churn customers is relatively good. Recall Score (0.60976):A recall score of 0.60976 means that the model correctly identified approximately 60.9% of the churn cases in the testing set. Precision Score (0.98039):A precision score of 0.98039 suggests that when the model predicts a customer will churn, it is correct approximately 98.0% of the time.

# **CLASSIFICATION MODEL COMPARISON**

```
In [45]: | classifiers = [LogisticRegression(),
                        RandomForestClassifier(),
                        DecisionTreeClassifier()]
         # Define a result table as a DataFrame
         result_table = pd.DataFrame(columns=['classifiers', 'fpr','tpr','auc'])
         # Train the models and record the results
         for cls in classifiers:
             model = cls.fit(X_train, y_train)
             yproba = model.predict_proba(X_test)[::,1]
             fpr, tpr, _ = roc_curve(y_test, yproba)
             auc = roc_auc_score(y_test, yproba)
             result_table = result_table.append({'classifiers':cls.__class__.__name__,
                                                  'fpr':fpr,
                                                  'tpr':tpr,
                                                  'auc':auc}, ignore index=True)
         # Set name of the classifiers as index labels
         result_table.set_index('classifiers', inplace=True)
         fig = plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
         for i in result_table.index:
             plt.plot(result_table.loc[i]['fpr'],
                      result_table.loc[i]['tpr'],
                      label="{}, AUC={:.3f}".format(i, result_table.loc[i]['auc']))
         plt.plot([0,1], [0,1], color='black', linestyle='--')
         plt.xticks(np.arange(0.0, 1.1, step=0.1))
         plt.xlabel("False Positive Rate", fontsize=15)
         plt.yticks(np.arange(0.0, 1.1, step=0.1))
         plt.ylabel("True Positive Rate", fontsize=15)
         plt.title('ROC Curve Analysis', fontweight='bold', fontsize=15)
         plt.legend(prop={'size':13}, loc='lower right')
         plt.show()
```



The ROC curve is a plot of the true positive rate against the false positive rate of our classifier. The best performing models will have a curve that hugs the upper left of the graph, which is the the random forest classifier in this case.

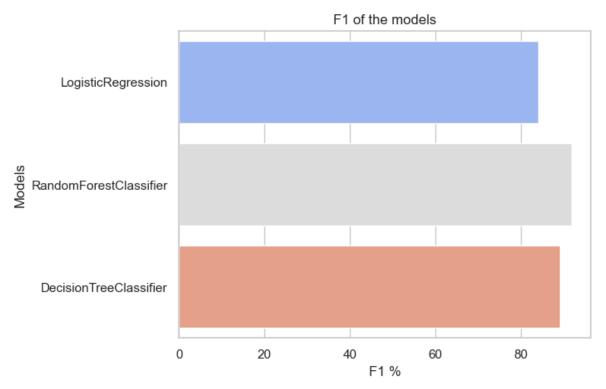
## **MODEL COMPARISON (F1 SCORE)**

```
In [46]: models = [lr,rf,dt]

result = []
results = pd.DataFrame(columns= ["Models","F1"])

for model in models:
    names = model.__class__.__name__
    y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
    f1 = cross_val_score(model,X_test,y_test,cv=10,scoring="f1_weighted").mean
    result = pd.DataFrame([[names, f1*100]], columns= ["Models","F1"])
    results = results.append(result)

sns.barplot(x= 'F1', y = 'Models', data=results, palette="coolwarm")
plt.xlabel('F1 %')
plt.title('F1 of the models');
```

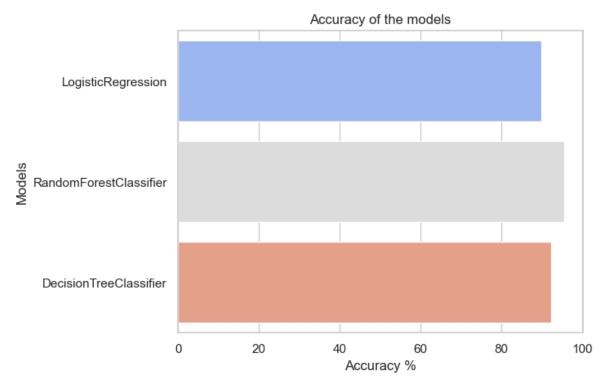


# MODEL COMPARISON (ACCURACY)

```
In [48]: models = [lr,rf,dt]
    result = []
    results = pd.DataFrame(columns= ["Models","Accuracy"])

for model in models:
    names = model.__class__.__name__
    y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
    accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
    result = pd.DataFrame([[names, accuracy*100]], columns= ["Models","Accurac results = results.append(result)

sns.barplot(x= 'Accuracy', y = 'Models', data=results, palette="coolwarm")
plt.xlabel('Accuracy %')
plt.title('Accuracy of the models');
```



In [49]:	results.sort_values(by="Accuracy",ascending=False)
Out[49]:	Models Accuracy

	Models	Accuracy
0	RandomForestClassifier	95.384615
0	DecisionTreeClassifier	92.307692
0	LogisticRegression	89.930070

We are searching for a model that can predict with high accuracy and precision random forest classifier fits those requirements

#### MODEL HYPERPARAMETER TUNING RANDOM FOREST CLASSIFIER

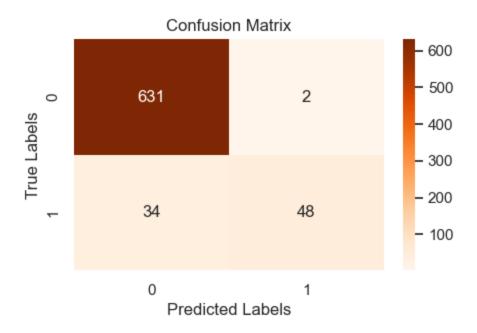
```
In [50]: # grid search to find the best hyperparameter combination for the model.
         rf_params = {"max_depth": [8,15,20],
                      "n_estimators":[500,1000],
                      "min_samples_split":[5,10,15],
                      "criterion":['entropy','gini']}
In [51]:
         rf model2 = RandomForestClassifier()
         rf cv model = GridSearchCV(rf model2,rf params,cv=3,n jobs=-1,verbose=False)
         rf_cv_model.fit(X_train,y_train)
         print("Best parameters:"+str(rf_cv_model.best_params_))
         Best parameters:{'criterion': 'entropy', 'max_depth': 20, 'min_samples_spli
         t': 10, 'n_estimators': 500}
         rf_model_GridSearchCV_Applied = RandomForestClassifier(criterion='gini', max_d
In [52]:
         rf_model_GridSearchCV_Applied.fit(X_train, y_train)
         y_pred_rf_GridSearchCV_Applied = rf_model_GridSearchCV_Applied.predict(X_test)
```

# **Classification Report(Hyperparameter Tuned Random Forest Model)**

In [53]: print(classification\_report(y\_test, y\_pred\_rf\_GridSearchCV\_Applied))

support	f1-score	recall	precision	
633	0.97	1.00	0.95	0.0
82	0.73	0.59	0.96	1.0
715	0.95			accuracy
715	0.85	0.79	0.95	macro avg
715	0.94	0.95	0.95	weighted avg

> Accuracy: 0.94965 F1 score: 0.72727 Recall: 0.58537 Precision: 0.96



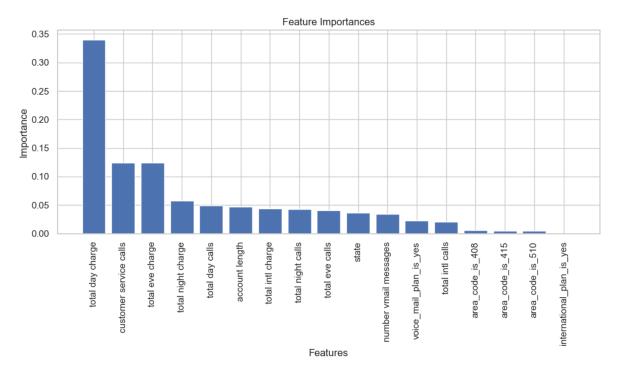
Accuracy (0.94965):An accuracy of 0.94965 suggests that the model correctly predicted the churn status of approximately 94.1% of the customers in the dataset. This indicates a high overall correctness of the model's predictions.A F1 score of 0.72727 indicates a balanced evaluation of the model's accuracy in predicting both churn and non-churn customers.A recall of 0.58537 means that the model correctly identified approximately 58.5% of the churn cases.A precision of 0.96 suggests that when the model predicts a customer will churn, it is correct approximately 96% of the time.This high precision score indicates that the model is very good at minimizing false positive predictions, which is desirable in many scenarios.

#### **MODEL CONCLUSION**;

In summary, the model demonstrates high accuracy and precision, indicating a strong ability to correctly classify churn and non-churn instances. However, there is room for improvement in terms of recall, suggesting that the model could better identify churn cases.

```
# Get feature importances
In [55]:
         feature_importances = rf_model_GridSearchCV_Applied.feature_importances_
         # Get feature names
         feature_names = X_train.columns
         # Sort feature importances in descending order
         indices = np.argsort(feature_importances)[::-1]
         # Print feature importances
         print("Feature importances:")
         for i in range(len(feature names)):
             print(f"{feature_names[i]}: {feature_importances[i]}")
         # Plot feature importances
         plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
         plt.title("Feature Importances")
         plt.bar(range(X_train.shape[1]), feature_importances[indices], align="center")
         plt.xticks(range(X_train.shape[1]), feature_names[indices], rotation=90)
         plt.xlabel("Features")
         plt.ylabel("Importance")
         plt.tight_layout()
         plt.show()
```

```
Feature importances:
state: 0.03622444242586477
account length: 0.04691512652961922
number vmail messages: 0.03428854146749858
total day calls: 0.048865484932782886
total day charge: 0.33937082615662745
total eve calls: 0.041327456271070324
total eve charge: 0.12378835612932615
total night calls: 0.043089864725316986
total night charge: 0.05817424700212419
total intl calls: 0.02070203931389702
total intl charge: 0.044091141980136125
customer service calls: 0.12422321731705803
area_code_is_408: 0.005571421240019709
area_code_is_415: 0.005312578062902207
area code is 510: 0.005003131472320722
international plan is yes: 0.0
voice_mail_plan_is_yes: 0.023052124973435742
```



# **FINDINGS:**

Based on the feature importances, the most influential factors contributing to customer churn are: . Total day charge . Customer service calls . Total eve charge These factors suggest that high charges for daytime and evening usage, as well as increased customer service interactions, are associated with higher churn rates.

As seen on the feature importance location can influence the likelihood of customer churn for example, Urban customers might value convenience, fast-paced service, and access to a wide range of products or services. On the other hand, rural customers might prioritize personalized service, community engagement, and affordability.

Based on the provided feature importances, specific contract terms or pricing plans are not directly identified as contributors to customer churn. However, certain features indirectly related to pricing or service plans, such as "total day charge," "total eve charge," and "customer service calls," are significant predictors of churn.

After modeling Random Forest Classifier was identified as the best model that best predicts likelihood of a customer to churn with a percentage 96% precision rate.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Focus on Total Day Charge and Total Evening Charge:

Features such as "total day charge" and "total eve charge" have significant importance in predicting churn. The company should analyze pricing strategies for daytime and evening usage, ensuring they are competitive and aligned with customer expectations. Consider offering customizable plans or incentives to reduce charges during peak hours.

#### 2.Improve Customer Service Quality:

"Customer service calls" emerged as a crucial predictor of churn. Enhance customer service quality by investing in training, technology, and support resources. Proactively address customer issues and complaints to minimize the need for repeated service calls, ultimately improving customer satisfaction and retention.

#### 3.Encourage Voice Mail Plan Adoption:

While "voice\_mail\_plan\_is\_yes" has moderate importance, it still contributes to predicting churn. Develop targeted marketing campaigns to promote voice mail plan adoption among customers. Highlight the benefits of voice mail services, such as message storage and accessibility, to increase their perceived value and encourage uptake.

#### 4. Optimize International Calling Services:

Features related to international calling, such as "total intl calls" and "total intl charge," exhibit some importance. Review international calling rates, explore partnerships with global carriers, and introduce cost-effective international calling plans or bundles to attract and retain customers who frequently make international calls.

#### 5. Address Area Code Specific Concerns:

While area code features have relatively low importance, they still contribute to predicting churn. Conduct targeted surveys or customer outreach to identify any area-specific issues or preferences. Tailor marketing strategies or service offerings to address the unique needs of customers in specific geographic areas, potentially improving customer satisfaction and loyalty.

## CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the project provides a solid foundation for the telecommunications company to develop and implement data-driven strategies aimed at reducing churn, improving customer satisfaction, and ultimately driving business growth.

# **NEXT STEPS**;

We can improve the model accuracy by establishing a process for continuous monitoring and maintenance of the model once deployed. Regularly evaluate its performance, update it with new data as it becomes available, and refine it based on evolving business needs and customer behaviors.