Mini Project 4 – Predictive Modeling

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1. Project Objectives

Customer Churn is a burning problem for Telecom companies. In this project, the data has information about the customer usage behaviour, contract details and the payment details. The data also indicates the customers who have cancelled their services. Based on this past data, we need to build a model which can predict whether a customer will cancel their service in the future or not and provide recommendations to the management.

- 1. Data Ingestion: Read the dataset. Do the descriptive statistics and do null value condition check, write an inference on it.
- 2. Data Split: Split the data into test and train, build classification model using Logistic Regression, KNN and Naïve Bayes
- 3. Performance Metrics: Check the performance of Predictions on Train and Test sets using Accuracy, Confusion Matrix, Plot ROC curve and get ROC_AUC score for each model
- 4. Final Model: Compare all the model and write an inference which model is best/optimized.
- 5. Inference: Basis on these predictions, what are the business insights and recommendations

2. Assumptions

The data provided is conclusive and contains the required data

3. Data Analysis – Approach

- 1. Environment data setup and data import
- 2. Calculating the required values using inbuilt functions
- 3. Apply scaling to the data if required
- 4. Split the data and build various models
- 5. Compare the models
- 6. Provide various recommendations to management

For environment data setup, R's inbuilt packages were used. Also for setting up working directory 'setwd()' function was used. The given dataset is in .csv format, so we can use read.csv function to import the data. All the R commands are in Appendix A.

4. Exploratory data analysis

a. Check Data Structure

The result shows us that there are 3333 observations with 11 variables in the dataset, out of which all are numeric.

```
3333 obs. of
                            11 variables:
data.frame':
                 : int
$ Churn
                        0000000000.
                                   84 75 118 121 147 117 141 ...
 AccountWeeks
                   int
                        128
                           107
                                137
 ContractRenewal:
                   int
                        1 1
                            1 0
                               0 0
                                   1010 ...
 DataPlan
                   int
                        1
                          1 0 0
                               0
                                 0
                                   1001
 DataUsage
                   num
                        2.7
                            3.7
                                0 0 0 0 2.03 0 0.19 3.02 ...
 CustServCalls
                   int
                        1 1
                           0 2
                               303010...
 DayMins
                   num
                        265 162
                                243 299 167
 DayCalls
                   int
                        110 123 114 71 113 98 88 79 97 84 ...
                        89 82 52 57 41 57 87.3 36 63.9 93.2 ...
 MonthlyCharge
                   num
  OverageFee
                   num
                        9.87 9.78 6.06 3.1 7.42
                        10 13.7 12.2 6.6 10.1 6.3 7.5 7.1 8.7 11.2 ...
  RoamMins
                   num
```

Figure 1: Data Structure

Now let us check the summary of the dataset.

From the below table, by looking at the median and the mean numbers, it gives us an idea that of the data. None of the data seems to be skewed. We will plot the data to see further.

```
AccountWeeks
                                  ContractRenewa]
                                                       DataPlan
Min.
       :0.0000
                 Min.
                           1.0
                                  Min.
                                         :0.0000
                                                    Min.
                                                           :0.0000
1st Qu.:0.0000
                 1st Qu.: 74.0
                                  1st Qu.:1.0000
                                                    1st Qu.:0.0000
Median :0.0000
                 Median :101.0
                                  Median :1.0000
                                                    Median :0.0000
                        :101.1
                                                           :0.2766
Mean
       :0.1449
                 Mean
                                  Mean
                                         :0.9031
                                                    Mean
3rd Qu.:0.0000
                 3rd Qu.:127.0
                                  3rd Qu.:1.0000
                                                    3rd Qu.:1.0000
Max.
       :1.0000
                         :243.0
                                         :1.0000
                                                           :1.0000
                 Max.
                                  Max.
                                                    Max.
  DataUsage
                 CustServCalls
                                     DayMins
                                                      DayCalls
                                                                   MonthlyCharge
       :0.0000
                         :0.000
                                         : 0.0
                                                          : 0.0
                                                                   Min.
Min.
                 Min.
                                  Min.
                                                  Min.
                                                                           : 14.00
1st Qu.:0.0000
                 1st Qu.:1.000
                                  1st Qu.:143.7
                                                   1st Qu.: 87.0
                                                                   1st Qu.: 45.00
                 Median :1.000
                                  Median :179.4
                                                                   Median : 53.50
Median :0.0000
                                                  Median :101.0
       :0.8165
                 Mean
                         :1.563
                                  Mean
                                         :179.8
                                                   Mean
                                                          :100.4
                                                                   Mean
                                                                           : 56.31
Mean
3rd Qu.:1.7800
                 3rd Qu.:2.000
                                  3rd Qu.:216.4
                                                                   3rd Qu.: 66.20
                                                   3rd Qu.:114.0
Max.
       :5.4000
                 Max.
                         :9.000
                                  Max.
                                         :350.8
                                                   Max.
                                                          :165.0
                                                                   Max.
                                                                           :111.30
  OverageFee
                   RoamMins
                Min.
Min.
       : 0.00
                       : 0.00
1st Qu.: 8.33
                1st Qu.: 8.50
Median :10.07
                Median :10.30
Mean :10.05
                Mean :10.24
3rd Qu.:11.77
                3rd Qu.:12.10
     :18.19
                       :20.00
Max.
                Max.
```

Figure 2: Data Summary

b. Check Missing Values

There are no missing variables in the data set

c. Plot data to see the distribution

i. Univariate Analysis for continuous and categorical variables

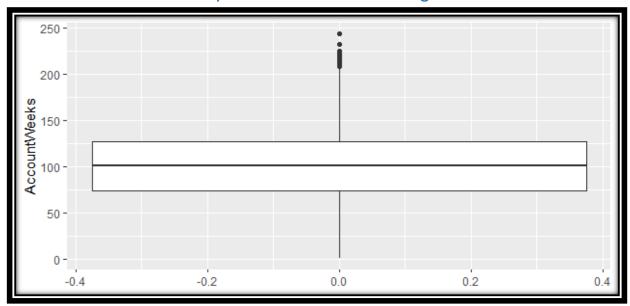


Figure 3: Boxplot of AccountWeeks variable

Accountweeks has some outliers.

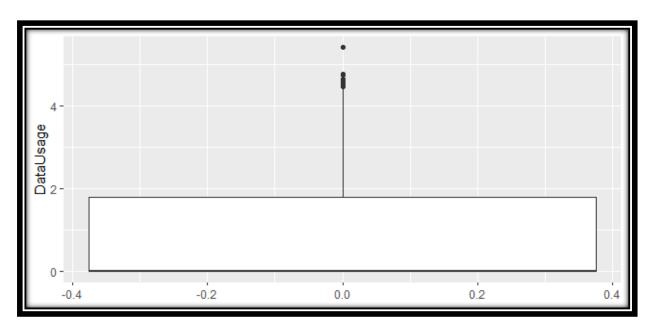


Figure 4: Boxplot of DataUsage variable

DataUsage is right-skewed and has some outliers.

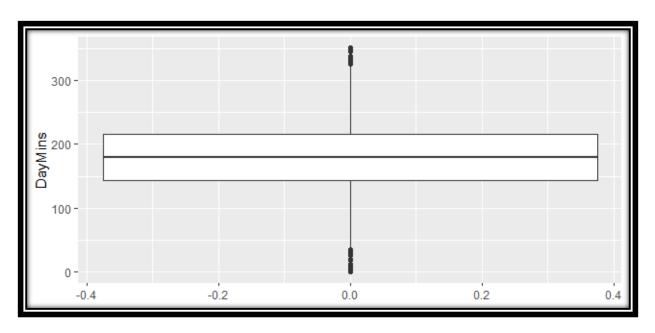


Figure 5: Boxplot of DayMins variable

DayMins has some outliers.

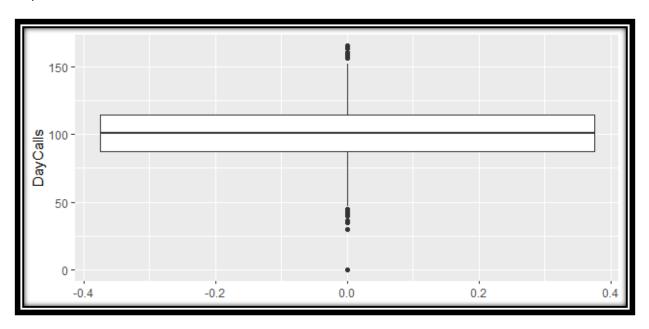


Figure 6: Boxplot of DayCalls variable

DayCalls is slightly left-skewed and has some outliers.

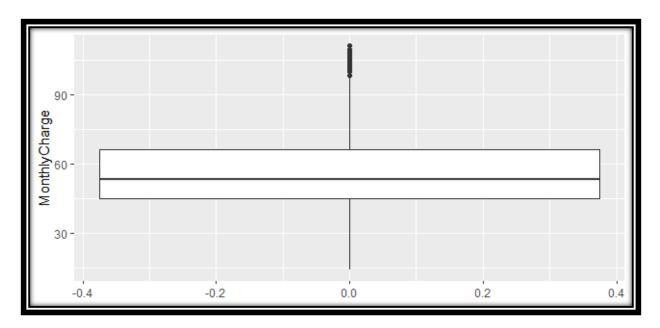


Figure 7: Boxplot of MonthlyCharge variable

 $\label{lem:monthlyCharge} Monthly Charge \ is \ slightly \ right-skewed \ and \ has \ some \ outliers.$

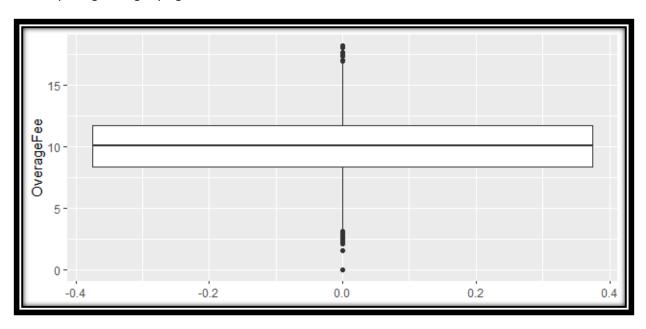


Figure 8: Boxplot of OverageFee variable

OverageFee has some outliers.

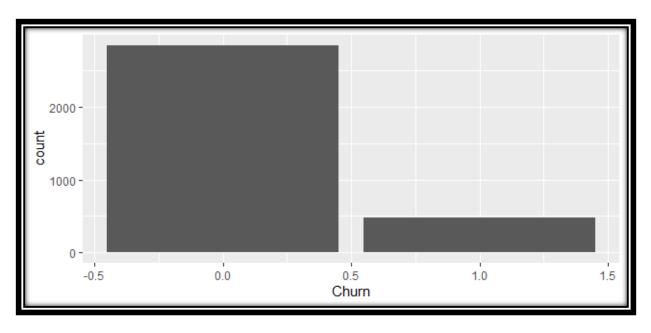


Figure 9: Bar Chart of Churn Variable

There are 2850 cancelled cases and 483 not cancelled ones. That is about 85.5% Churn Ratio which is not good.

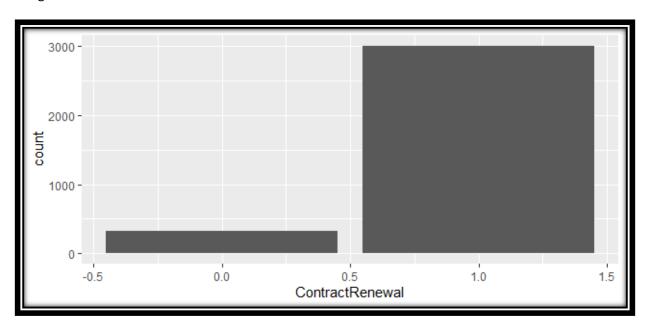


Figure 10: Bar Chart of ContractRenewal Variable

Around 3010 out of 3333 cases did a contract renewal.

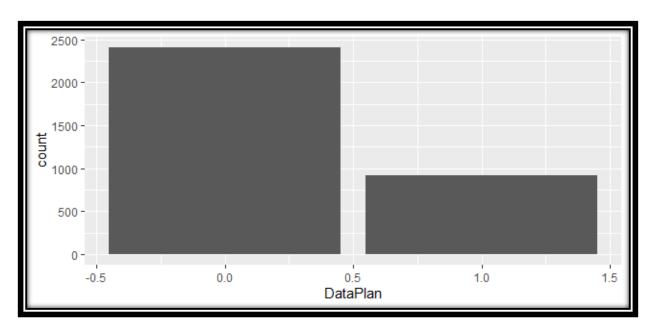


Figure 11: Bar Chart of DataPlan variable

Cases who have not opted for Data Plan are more.

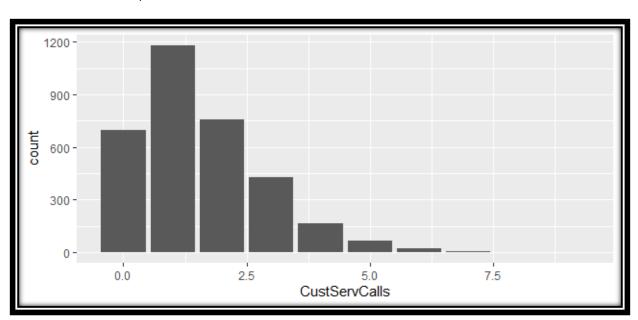


Figure 12: Bar Chart of CustServCalls variable

Most of the customers have called atleast more than once.

ii. Bivariate analysis

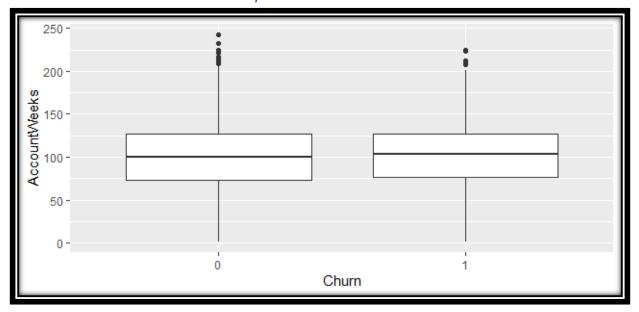


Figure 13: Boxplot AccountWeeks vs Churn

Observation - Median of AccountWeeks for customers with Churn is almost equal to customers with no claim.

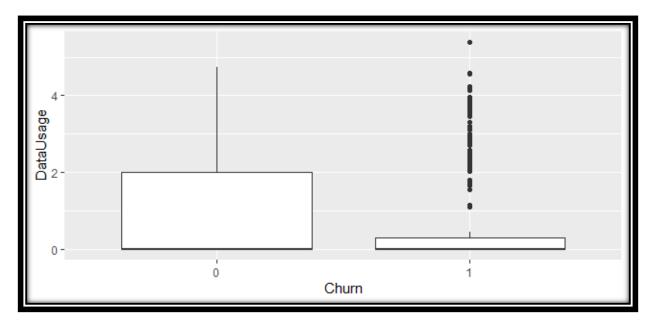


Figure 14: Boxplot of DataUsage vs Churn

Observation – We can see DataUsage with no Churn is on higher side. Thus higher the DataUsage more probability of no Churn.

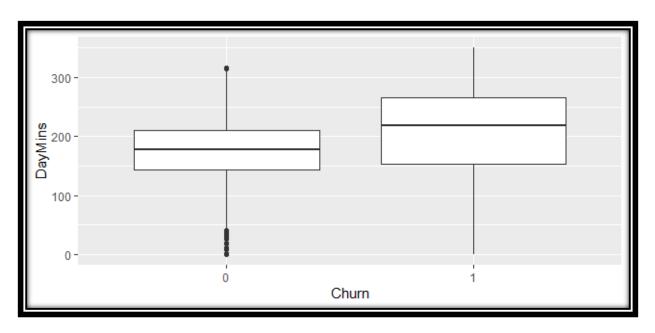


Figure 15: Boxplot of DayMins vs Churn

Observation – Higher the daymins more probability of Churn

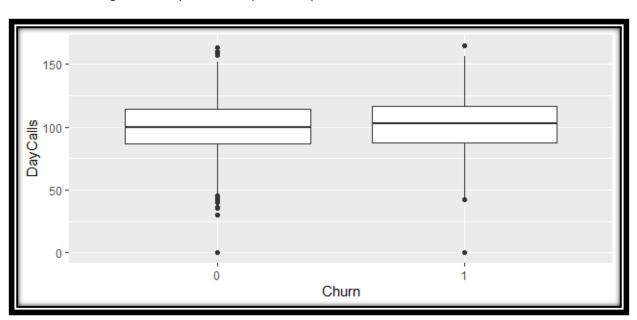


Figure 16: Boxplot of DayCalls vs Churn

Observation – DayCalls seems to be same for both cases.

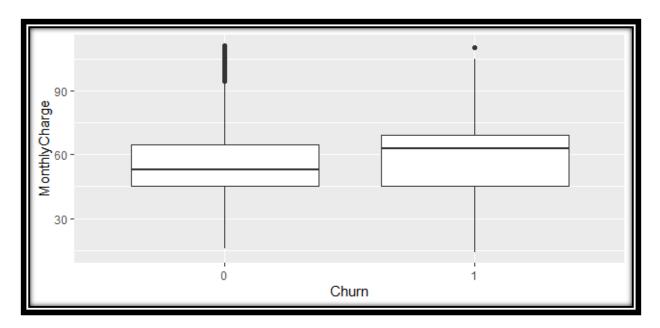


Figure 17: Boxplot of MonthlyCharges vs Churn

Observation – MonthlyCharges seems to be same for both cases.

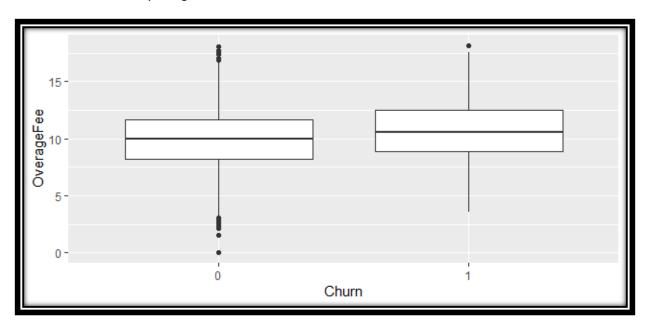


Figure 18: Boxplot of OverageFee vs Churn

Observation – OverageFee seems to be same for both cases.

```
DataPlan
                    0
                          1
Churn
0
                 2008
                        842
1
                  403
                         80
Call: xtabs(formula = ~Churn + DataPlan, data = mydata)
Number of cases in table: 3333
Number of factors: 2
Test for independence of all factors:
         Chisq = 34.78, df = 1, p-value = 3.697e-09
```

```
CustServCalls
                      0 1 2
                                                                    9
                                                5
                                                               8
Churn
                     605 1059
                                    385
                                          90
0
                               672
                                               26
                                                     8
                                                          4
                                                               1
                                                                    0
1
                      92 122
                                87
                                     44
                                          76
                                               40
                                                                    2
Call: xtabs(formula = ~Churn + CustServCalls, data = mydata)
Number of cases in table: 3333
Number of factors: 2
Test for independence of all factors:
        Chisq = 342.7, df = 9, p-value = 2.243e-68
        Chi-squared approximation may be incorrect
```

Chi-square test indicates Contract Renewal, Data Plan and Customer service calls are significant variables.

d. Multicollinearity

To check for multicollinearity, we will plot the correlation plot.

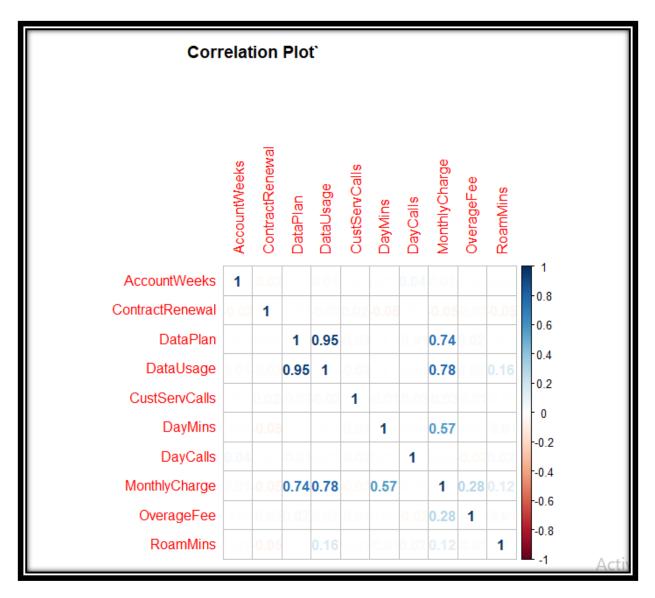


Figure 19: Correlation Plot

We can see that DataUsage and DataPlan are highly correlated. Also MonthlyCharge and DataPlan, DataUsage are also related. DayMins and MonthlyCharge have a slight correlation. We will check the vif values also.

AccountWeeks	ContractRenewal	DataPlan	DataUsage	CustServCalls
1.003791	1.007216	12.473470	1964.800207	1.001945
DayMins	DayCalls	MonthlyCharge	OverageFee	RoamMins
1031.490608	1.002935	3243.300555	224.639750	1.346583

Figure 20: Vif values

We will remove the columns with high vif values like MonthlyCharge and DataUsage and that will reduce the vif values.

AccountWeeks	ContractRenewal	DataPlan	CustServCalls	DayMins
1.002227	1.006143	1.000937	1.001659	1.002862
DayCalls	OverageFee	RoamMins		
1.002901	1.001646	1.002987		

Figure 21: Final Vif

5. Split the data

We have divided the dataset into test and train with 30:70 ratio respective.

Train data has 14% Churn ratio

Test data has 14% Churn ratio.

Observation - We can see almost equal representation in both training and testing set for dependent variable.

6. Logistic Regression

First we need to convert Churn into a factor variable before applying logisitic regression. Then form the model using **glm** function and get its summary

```
call:
glm(formula = Churn ~ ., family = "binomial", data = traindata)
Deviance Residuals:
      Min
                         Median
                  10
                                         30
                                                   Max
-2.057590
           -0.503084
                                              3.074374
                      -0.334602
                                  -0.192577
Coefficients:
                   Estimate Std. Error
                                           z value
                                                     Pr(>|z|)
                -6.57631995
                             0.65224065 -10.08266 < 2.22e-16
(Intercept)
                                                      0.39120
Accountweeks
                 0.00143972
                             0.00167907
                                          0.85745
                             0.17062509
                                        -11.41555 <
ContractRenewal -1.94777875
                                                     2.22e-16 ***
CustServCalls
                0.55380686
                             0.04804412
                                         11.52705 < 2.22e-16 ***
DayMins
                 0.01854978
                             0.00169471
                                         10.94572 < 2.22e-16 ***
DayCalls
                             0.00330143
                 0.00282085
                                          0.85443
                                                      0.39287
                                          -5.64957 1.6085e-08 ***
MonthlyCharge
                -0.03446080
                             0.00609973
                             0.03030646
                                           7.27808 3.3860e-13 ***
                 0.22057282
OverageFee
RoamMins
                 0.10782491 0.02459255
                                          4.38445 1.1628e-05 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
    Null deviance: 1930.419
                             on 2332
                                      degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 1502.109
                                      degrees of freedom
                             on 2324
AIC: 1520.109
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
```

Figure 22: Logistic Regression Model

Now we will predict the output and form the confusion matrix.

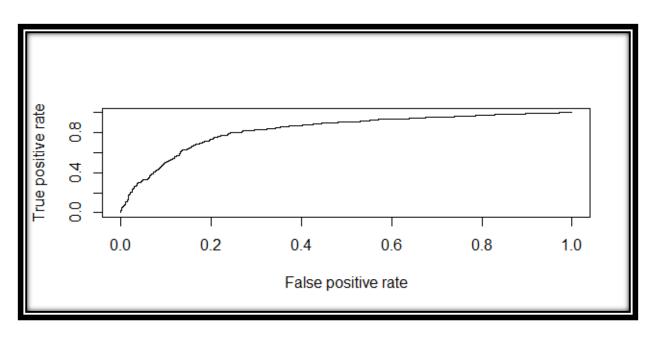


Figure 23: ROC Plot for Logisitic Regression

Area under the curve is around 82.94% and confusion matrix is

```
Confusion Matrix and Statistics
          Reference
Prediction
         0 1593
                   87
            402
                  251
                Accuracy: 0.7904
    95% CI : (0.7733, 0.8068)
No Information Rate : 0.8551
    P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 1
                   Kappa: 0.3901
 Mcnemar's Test P-Value : <2e-16
            Sensitivity: 0.7426
            Specificity: 0.7985
         Pos Pred Value: 0.3844
         Neg Pred Value: 0.9482
              Prevalence : 0.1449
         Detection Rate: 0.1076
   Detection Prevalence: 0.2799
      Balanced Accuracy: 0.7705
       'Positive' Class : 1
```

Figure 24: Confusion Matrix - Logistic Regression

Accuracy is good, but sensitivity and specificity is ok. Positive Pred Value is also 38% which is not that good. KS score is around 56% and Gini is around 66% which are low. We will try for testing data also.

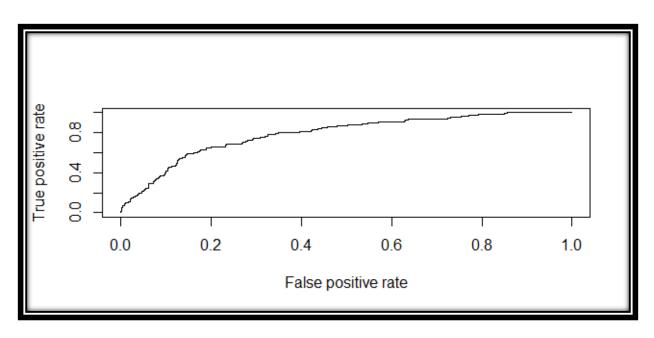


Figure 25: ROC plot for testdata- LR

Area under the curve is around 78.80% which is lesser than the train data.

```
Confusion Matrix and Statistics
          Reference
Prediction
             0
         0 686
         1 169
                98
               Accuracy: 0.784
95% CI: (0.7572, 0.8091)
    No Information Rate : 0.855
    P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 1
                  Карра: 0.3544
 Mcnemar's Test P-Value: <2e-16
            Sensitivity: 0.6759
            Specificity: 0.8023
         Pos Pred Value : 0.3670
         Neg Pred Value : 0.9359
             Prevalence: 0.1450
         Detection Rate: 0.0980
   Detection Prevalence: 0.2670
      Balanced Accuracy: 0.7391
       'Positive' Class : 1
```

Figure 26: Confusion Matrix for testdata-LR

Here also Model performs poorly with less sensitivity and Pos Pred value. KS score is 48% and Gini is around 58% which are low.

7. KNN

In KNN, it's mandatory to scale the data. After scaling the data, we can split it up into test and train data.

We will apply the model to test data first.

After trying various k values, the maximum accuracy is achieved with k=7. Accuracy is around 88.26%.

Confusion matrix is given below.

```
Confusion Matrix and Statistics
          Reference
Prediction
            0
         0 793
                91
           23
                64
               Accuracy: 0.8826
                 95% CI: (0.8607, 0.9022)
    No Information Rate: 0.8404
    P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 0.0001164
                  Карра: 0.4678
Mcnemar's Test P-Value: 3.494e-10
            Sensitivity: 0.41290
         Specificity: 0.97181
Pos Pred Value: 0.73563
         Neg Pred Value: 0.89706
             Prevalence: 0.15963
         Detection Rate: 0.06591
   Detection Prevalence: 0.08960
      Balanced Accuracy: 0.69236
       'Positive' Class : 1
```

Figure 27: Confusion Matrix - KNN

Accuracy and Specificity is high for this model but sensitivity is very low. Pos Pre Value is also high.

8. Naïve Bayes

For naïve bayes, we use the same data after converting y variable i.e. Churn into a factor. Here the accuracy comes around 85.79%. Confusion Matrix is given below.

```
Confusion Matrix and Statistics
          Reference
Prediction
           0
                1
        0 770
               92
        1 46
               63
              Accuracy : 0.8579
                 95% CI: (0.8343, 0.8792)
   No Information Rate: 0.8404
    P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 0.0725125
                  Kappa: 0.3979
Mcnemar's Test P-Value : 0.0001278
           Sensitivity: 0.40645
            Specificity: 0.94363
         Pos Pred Value: 0.57798
         Neg Pred Value: 0.89327
             Prevalence: 0.15963
         Detection Rate: 0.06488
  Detection Prevalence: 0.11226
     Balanced Accuracy: 0.67504
       'Positive' Class : 1
```

Figure 28: Confusion Matrix - Naive Bayes

Accuracy and specificity values are high but sensitivity and pos pred values are low.

9. Comparison of Models

Model	Accuracy	Sensitivity	Specificity
Linear Regression	79	74.26	79.85
KNN	88.26	41.3	97.2
Naïve Bayes	85.6	40.6	94.4

Accuracy is higher for KNN and Naïve Bayes for threshold of 0.5 while for LR it's less for threshold of 0.165. Sensitivity and Specificity is higher for LR model while they are very less for KNN and Naïve Bayes.

If Accuracy is not that important, then I think LR model is the best model among these. But if accuracy is important, then KNN is a better model because its specificity is high hence predicting how many customers are still with the mobile network.

10.Inference

From the summary of LR model we can know that which all variables are significant. We can also use the variable importance function to know the same.

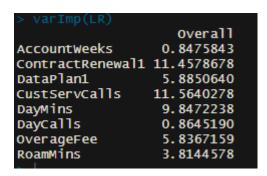


Figure 29: Variable Importance

The top 3 variables are Contract Renewal, Customer service calls and Day Mins. So customers opting for Contract Renewal with more Day Mins are less likely to cancel the service of the telecom company.

Also Customer Service Calls are a bit indicator regarding their usage and satisfaction and should be considered to understand whether the customer is likely to continue the service or not.

So business can think about offering more discounts and more talk time for customers who are opting for contract renewal which will encourage them to do so. Also more lucrative data plans and less fees for overage might also encourage customers to stay back.

Appendix A

R code is attached along with the report.

