I: Tool Selection

This project is done in Python using the various libraries in the scientific Python ecosystem of scikit-learn with a few other libraries for various uses. Specifically, this involves using pandas for data wrangling, manipulation, and cleaning, matplotlib and Seaborn for data visualization, and scikit-learn itself for model creation and analysis.

Like R and unlike SAS, all of these are easily available, free, and open-source. These methods have been chosen over R for ease of explanation, as Python code is often understood more readily than R, and because of the potential of integrating this project directly into a program or software for future use. While R is highly specialized for statistics and mathematics, Python is a general-purpose programming language with specialized libraries for the needed tools, and this facilitates project expansion in the future.

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Data Exploration and Preparation
In [1]: import pandas as pd
          import numpy as np
          import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
          import seaborn as sns
          import scipy.stats as scs
          %matplotlib inline
          This dataset has 21 columns, with a number of which may be useful for predicting attrition, which is
          represented by the final column "Churn." Furthermore, none of the values are missing, or more
          specifically, NaN. While there is still potential for outliers, no data simply isn't there.
In [2]: df = pd.read csv("WA_Fn-UseC_-Telco-Customer-Churn.csv")
          df.info()
          <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
          RangeIndex: 7043 entries, 0 to 7042
          Data columns (total 21 columns):
         customerID 7043 non-null object gender 7043 non-null object
         SeniorCitizen 7043 non-null int64
         InternetService 7043 non-null object 7043 non-null object OnlineSecurity 7043 non-null object OnlineBackup 7043 non-null object DeviceProtection 7043 non-null object TechSupport 7043 non-null object StreamingTV 7043 non-null object
         StreamingMovies 7043 non-null object
                              7043 non-null object
          Contract
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II: Project Goals

The goal of this data mining and analysis project is to examine customer attrition patterns and to determine what indicators can be used to make better business decisions to prevent loss. Furthermore, a model will be produced in order to predict whether or not a given customer might discontinue business based on a model built from this analysis. This process will involve cleaning and tidying the dataset, testing for significance and correlation, finding and removing interactions, preparing the cleaned dataset for the modeling, and examining the results of the data mining for conclusions.

The primary descriptive method used in this project is FAMD, or Factor Analysis of Mixed Data. FAMD will be performed to both examine the variables in order to determine which are the most important, and to reduce the number of variables to examine without overly reducing the explained variance so that the predictive method will be easier to create and use.

The primary predictive method will be logistic regression, and this technique will be used to build the predictive model. Logistic regression is appropriate because the dependent variable is Boolean and is easily predicted using the probability of binary results that logistic regression provides. Additionally, three of the variables are continuous, which factor easily into any type of linear regression, and the remaining are nominal categorical, which can easily factor into the regression by encoding them in dummy variables. Finally, the coefficients of each parameter that the model will provide can be used to see how much that variable affects the chance of churn. The result is a model that is robust, easy to understand, and is simple to use in predicting if a customer will churn or not.

III: Data Exploration and Preparation

The target and dependent variable in this data is the Churn column, which indicates whether or not that given customer has churned and ceased business. It is a nominal categorical variable that is originally loaded as a string or object dtype with yes/no values but is then tidied into a proper Boolean with True/False values.

There are many potential independent variables that can be used as predictor variables in this dataset. Two of the most important independent variables overall are the MonthlyCharges and the Tenure columns, which contains the continuous quantitative values that represent how much each customer is paying by month according to contract, and how long that customer has had a business relationship with this company. These are among the most important because of how strongly financial figures factor in to customers' decisions. A higher MonthlyCharges value may easy be representative of more pressure to leave to a cheaper competitor as soon as a contract is over, or in the case of a month by month contract, to end it sooner rather than later. Meanwhile, a higher Tenure value is indicative of a customer who has invested more thus far and is less likely to leave based on any single factor.

For other independent variables, PhoneService and InternetService do an excellent job of grouping customer type, and the various columns of data that require one of these grouping columns to have a value indicating that they're paying for that type of service can indicate that a disproportionate number of customers that are churning are all a very specific subset of customer. An example of a possibility is that if all customers with internet service, specifically DSL service, through this company are leaving and choosing to not renew contracts after previous ones are up, then reasons as to why this is need to specifically be looked into. Additionally, that DSL customers could be prime targets for customer relations programs, or improved sales, because of this relation. A competitor may be offering a sale far better than the company currently offers or is willing to match.

The first goal and requirement in manipulating the data is to have a dataset that can be considered both tidy and clean. For data to be tidy, each variable must have its own column, each observation must have its own row, and each value must have its own cell. (Wickham & Grolemund, 2017, 12.2) For data to be clean, it needs to be free from obvious errors, be formatted into the correct form of data, be devoid of missing values, have irrelevant columns removed, and to be consistent within itself. Additionally, the data will be broken down so that dummy encodings primarily represent the categorical data as opposed to the string values that exist in the initial dataset so that it can easily be implemented in an appropriate model. Beyond this, outliers and interactions must be found and removed if any exist to ensure the integrity of the resulting analyses and predictive model.

The base dataset has 1 identifier, the "customerID" column and 3 quantitative, continuous independent variables, "tenure," "MonthlyCharges," and "TotalCharges." Additionally, it has 16 nominal categorical independent variables, "gender", "SeniorCitizen", "Partner", "Dependents", "PhoneService", "MultipleLines", "InternetService", "OnlineSecurity", "OnlineBackup", "DeviceProtection", "TechSupport", "StreamingTV", "StreamingMovies", "Contract",

"PaperlessBilling", and "PaymentMethod." Finally, the dataset has the 1 nominal categorical dependent variable "Churn."

The essential criteria and phenomenon to be predicted are what factors are present with customers who are leaving, indicated by the Churn column, which can be detected by finding which independent variables have a high positive correlation with the Churn column. Additionally, finding the variables that are associated with a lower churn rate is useful for customer retention, and is an equally important goal. Beyond this, it is important to find what combination of all of these factors is most associated with Churn rate so that smart business decisions can be made in the future.

To begin the data cleaning process after the initial loading and examining of the dataframe structure, examine each column and flag any of the columns that have null values.

```
In [4]: for col in df.columns.values:
            print(col + ": " + str(df[col].isnull().values.any()))
        customerID: False
        gender: False
        SeniorCitizen: False
        Partner: False
        Dependents: False
        tenure: False
        PhoneService: False
        MultipleLines: False
        InternetService: False
        OnlineSecurity: False
        OnlineBackup: False
        DeviceProtection: False
        TechSupport: False
        StreamingTV: False
        StreamingMovies: False
        Contract: False
        PaperlessBilling: False
        PaymentMethod: False
        MonthlyCharges: False
        TotalCharges: False
        Churn: False
In [5]: n rows = len(df)
        n rows
Out[5]: 7043
```

While the customerID column is extremely important in relational databases and would be useful if we planned on any dataframe splits and subsequent joins, it is not useful for analysis and will be removed early on to simplify later steps.

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The column customerID appears to be a structured string simply used for identifying customers. It
            isn't relevant to this exploratory data analysis, so it will be dropped.
In [6]: df.drop('customerID', axis = 1, inplace = True)
In [7]: df.info()
            <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
            RangeIndex: 7043 entries, 0 to 7042
            Data columns (total 20 columns):
           gender 7043 non-null object
SeniorCitizen 7043 non-null int64
Partner 7043 non-null object
Dependents 7043 non-null object
tenure 7043 non-null int64
PhoneService 7043 non-null object
MultipleLines 7043 non-null object
           InternetService 7043 non-null object OnlineSecurity 7043 non-null object OnlineBackup 7043 non-null object
            DeviceProtection 7043 non-null object
           TechSupport 7043 non-null object
StreamingTV 7043 non-null object
StreamingMovies 7043 non-null object
Contract 7043 non-null object
            PaperlessBilling 7043 non-null object
            PaymentMethod 7043 non-null object
            MonthlyCharges
                                        7043 non-null float64
            TotalCharges
Churn
                                        7043 non-null object
                                          7043 non-null object
            Churn
            dtypes: float64(1), int64(2), object(17)
            memory usage: 1.1+ MB
```

As the customerID column is the only one that will need removed at this stage of the data exploration, the remainder of this first step is to go through each column, one by one, and do the most basic cleaning and explorative tasks. This includes:

- Inferring the purpose of each column in the larger perspective of the business in order to interpret the information contained within properly.
- Changing the column titles to be consistent.
- Changing categorical values to be consistent like with Boolean values to True and False.
- Changing the data types, or dtypes, of some dataframe columns to ensure the data is handled appropriately.
- Examining the numbers and proportion of each categorical value in categorical columns.
- Examining the distribution and calculate summary statistics like the mean, median, and quartiles of the values of the quantitative columns.
- Finding and filling in any NaN or null values.

gender is a binary column and has a nearly perfect split between the values. 50.48% of customers are male and the remaining 49.52% are female. To make everything consistant, the column title will be updated.

SeniorCitizen appears to be a boolean value indicating whether or not the row corresponds to a customer that is a senior citizen, but what exact age that represents is unknown. 16.21% of customers are senior citizens in this dataset. This is the first example of a boolean column in this dataset, and they overall fail to follow a single convention. The boolean-like object columns will all be changed to an actual bool dtype as they come up.

The Partner column may relate to a business partnership or some similar idea, but its position in between age related columns and dependants when the columns seem ordered by topic lead the belief of it indicating the existance of a spouse or established relationship partner instead in boolean form. 48.3% of customers in this dataset have a partner. It is another column that needs changed to the bool dtype.

Likewise, the Dependents column appears to be a boolean value of whether children or other legal dependents exist under the customer a given row represents that also needs converted to bool. 29.96% of customers in this dataset have dependents.

The tenure column, whose name notably does not follow the column naming conventions, seems to be the business meaning of the term, or the number of years that the customer has been with the company. Interestingly, the numbers range from 0 to 72. The highest value, 72, is the second most common while 0, is the lowest value and the least common. To make everything consistant, the column title will be updated.

```
In [21]: df = df.rename(columns = {"tenure": "Tenure"})
In [22]: df['Tenure'].value_counts()
Out[22]: 1
               613
         72
              362
         2
              238
         3
              200
         4
              176
         28
              57
         39
               56
         44
               51
         36
               50
         0
               11
         Name: Tenure, Length: 73, dtype: int64
```

PhoneServices is a boolean value indicating whether or not a customer is paying for phone service or not, with 90.32% of customers at this telecommunications company actively having a phone plan. Like others, it needs converted to the bool dtype.

MultipleLines is a string value that indicates whether the given customer has multiple lines on their account, has only a single line on their account, or if this column isn't applicable for the customer, that they do not have phone service through this company. 42.18% of total customers in this dataset have multiple lines, and 46.71% of customers with phone service in this dataset have multiple lines.

InternetService is a string value indicating whether or not a customer is paying for internet service or not, and whether or not this service is for a fiber optic plan or a DSL plan. 90.32% of customers in this data service have an internet plan. 43.96% and 34.37% of total customers in this dataset have a fiber or DSL plan respectively, and 56.12% and 43.88% of customers with internet service have fiber or DSL plans respectively.

Many of the columns in this dataset have a number of possibilities that signify whether or not a service is included in the given customer's plan. Many of these columns would be boolean, but have a third value indicating that they do not have the required service plan for it to be a possibility. While these may be converted into bool dtype columns for later analysis, the boolean-like yes and no values will be changed to True or False on this first pass.

```
In [29]: df['InternetService'] = df['InternetService'].replace({"No":"False"})
In [30]: df['InternetService'].value_counts()
Out[30]: Fiber optic
                        3096
         DSL
                        2421
                       1526
         False
         Name: InternetService, dtype: int64
In [31]: n internet = n rows - df['InternetService'].value counts()[2]
         internet proportion = n internet / n rows
         print("{0:.4f}".format(internet_proportion) + "%")
         0.7833%
In [32]: n_fiber = df['InternetService'].value_counts()[0]
         n dsl = df['InternetService'].value counts()[1]
         fiber_proportion = n_fiber / n_rows
         dsl proportion = n dsl / n rows
         print("Fiber: {0:.4f}".format(fiber proportion) + "%\nDSL: {0:.4f}".format(dsl
         Fiber: 0.4396%
         DSL: 0.3437%
In [33]: fiber_proportion2 = n fiber / n internet
         dsl_proportion2 = n_dsl / n_internet
         print("Fiber: {0:.4f}".format(fiber proportion2) + "%\nDSL: {0:.4f}".format(dsl
         Fiber: 0.5612%
         DSL: 0.4388%
```

OnlineSecurity is a string value that indicates whether the given customer has an online security package in addition to their internet service, did not opt for the online security package, or if this column isn't applicable for the customer, that they do not have internet service through this company. 28.67% of total customers in this dataset have the online security package, and 36.6% of customers with internet service in this dataset have the online security package. Its values will be updated to the more boolean-like format.

```
In [34]: df['OnlineSecurity'] = df['OnlineSecurity'].replace({"No":"False", "Yes":"True"
In [35]: df['OnlineSecurity'].value counts()
Out[35]: False
                                2019
         True
                              1526
         No internet service
         Name: OnlineSecurity, dtype: int64
In [36]: n security = df['OnlineSecurity'].value_counts()[1]
         security_proportion = n_security / n_rows
         print("{0:.4f}".format(security_proportion) + "%")
         0.2867%
In [37]: security proportion2 = n_security / (n_rows - df['OnlineSecurity'].value_counts
         print("{0:.4f}".format(security proportion2) + "%")
         <
         0.3660%
```

OnlineBackup is a string value that indicates whether the given customer has an online backup package in addition to their internet service, did not opt for the online backup package, or if this column isn't applicable for the customer, that they do not have internet service through this company. 34.49% of total customers in this dataset have the online security package, and 44.03% of customers with internet service in this dataset have the online security package. Its values will be updated to the more boolean-like format.

```
In [38]: df['OnlineBackup'] = df['OnlineBackup'].replace({"No":"False", "Yes":"True"})
In [39]: df['OnlineBackup'].value_counts()
Out[39]: False
                                3088
                                2429
         True
         No internet service
                              1526
         Name: OnlineBackup, dtype: int64
In [40]: n backup = df['OnlineBackup'].value counts()[1]
         backup proportion = n backup / n rows
         print("{0:.4f}".format(backup proportion) + "%")
         0.3449%
In [41]: backup proportion2 = n backup / (n rows - df['OnlineBackup'].value counts()[2])
         print("{0:.4f}".format(backup proportion2) + "%")
         <
         0.4403%
```

DeviceProtection is a string value that indicates whether the given customer has a device protection plan in addition to their internet service, did not opt for any protection plan, or if this column isn't applicable for the customer, that they do not have internet service through this company. 34.39% of total customers in this dataset have a device protection plan, and 43.90% of customers with internet service in this dataset have a device protection plan. Its values will be updated to the more boolean-like format.

```
In [42]: df['DeviceProtection'] = df['DeviceProtection'].replace({"No":"False", "Yes":"T
         <
In [43]: df['DeviceProtection'].value counts()
Out[43]: False
                                3095
         True
                                2422
         No internet service
                                1526
         Name: DeviceProtection, dtype: int64
In [44]: n protection = df['DeviceProtection'].value counts()[1]
         protection proportion = n protection / n rows
         print("{0:.4f}".format(protection proportion) + "%")
         0.3439%
In [45]: protection proportion2 = n protection / (n rows - df['DeviceProtection'].value
         print("{0:.4f}".format(protection proportion2) + "%")
         <
         0.4390%
```

OnlineBackup and DeviceProtection appear to be the first potential major issue for future analysis. Both require that the customer have a value other than no in the InternetService column, and also have extremely similar numbers, 2429 and 2422, 44.03% and 43.90% respectively. The correlation between the types of column values, namely the No internet service ones, are going to prevent proper testing and model building if tested together.

```
In [46]: contingency_table = pd.crosstab(df['OnlineBackup'], df['DeviceProtection'])

Out[46]:

DeviceProtection False No internet service True

OnlineBackup

False 1984 0 1104

No internet service 0 1526 0

True 1111 0 1318
```

As we will see shortly, a number of the columns require internet service to have meaningful values and are in the same situation as the above section, so the data will have to be restructured to account for this.

TechSupport is a string value that indicates whether the given customer has a tech support package in addition to their internet service, did not opt for any tech support package, or if this column isn't applicable for the customer, that they do not have internet service through this company. 29.02% of total customers in this dataset have a tech support package, and 37.05% of customers with internet service in this dataset have a tech support package. Its values will be updated to the more boolean-like format.

```
In [47]: df['TechSupport'] = df['TechSupport'].replace({"No":"False", "Yes":"True"})
In [48]: df['TechSupport'].value_counts()
Out[48]: False
                                3473
                                2044
         True
                               1526
         No internet service
         Name: TechSupport, dtype: int64
In [49]: n support = df['TechSupport'].value counts()[1]
         support proportion = n support / n rows
         print("{0:.4f}".format(support proportion) + "%")
         0.2902%
In [50]: support proportion2 = n support / (n rows - df['TechSupport'].value counts()[2]
         print("{0:.4f}".format(support proportion2) + "%")
         <
         0.3705%
```

StreamingTV is a string value that indicates whether the given customer has a TV streaming package in addition to their internet service, did not opt for any TV streaming package, or if this column isn't applicable for the customer, that they do not have internet service through this company. 38.44% of total customers in this dataset have a TV streaming package, and 49.07% of customers with internet service in this dataset have a TV streaming package. Its values will be updated to the more boolean-like format.

```
In [51]: df['StreamingTV'] = df['StreamingTV'].replace({"No":"False", "Yes":"True"})
In [52]: df['StreamingTV'].value counts()
Out[52]: False
                                2810
                                2707
         True
                                1526
         No internet service
         Name: StreamingTV, dtype: int64
In [53]: n tv = df['StreamingTV'].value counts()[1]
         tv proportion = n tv / n rows
         print("{0:.4f}".format(tv proportion) + "%")
         0.3844%
In [54]: tv proportion2 = n tv / (n rows - df['StreamingTV'].value counts()[2])
         print("{0:.4f}".format(tv proportion2) + "%")
         0.4907%
```

StreamingMovies is a string value that indicates whether the given customer has a movie streaming package in addition to their internet service, did not opt for any movie streaming package, or if this column isn't applicable for the customer, that they do not have internet service through this company. 38.79% of total customers in this dataset have a movie streaming package, and 49.52% of customers with internet service in this dataset have a movie streaming package. Its values will be updated to the more boolean-like format.

```
In [55]: df['StreamingMovies'] = df['StreamingMovies'].replace({"No":"False", "Yes":"Tru
In [56]: df['StreamingMovies'].value counts()
Out[56]: False
                                2785
         True
                               2732
         No internet service 1526
         Name: StreamingMovies, dtype: int64
In [57]: n movie = df['StreamingMovies'].value counts()[1]
         movie proportion = n movie / n rows
         print("{0:.4f}".format(movie_proportion) + "%")
         0.3879%
In [58]: movie proportion2 = n movie / (n rows - df['StreamingMovies'].value counts()[2]
         print("{0:.4f}".format(movie_proportion2) + "%")
         <
         0.4952%
```

Contract is a string value that indicates what type of contract the given customer is under. The contract type values include Month-to-month, One year, and two year. 55.02% of customers are under a month to month contract, 24.07% are under a single year contract, and the remaining 20.91% are under a two year contract.

PaperlessBilling is a boolean value indicating whether or not the given customer has opted for paperless billing or not, with 59.22% of customers at this telecommunications company actively enrolled in paperless billing. As a true boolean column, it will be completely changed to the boolean dtype.

```
In [61]: df['PaperlessBilling'] = df['PaperlessBilling'].replace({"No":False, "Yes":True
         df['PaperlessBilling'] = df['PaperlessBilling'].astype('bool')
         df.info()
         <
In [62]: df['PaperlessBilling'].value counts()
Out[62]: True
                 4171
                2872
         False
         Name: PaperlessBilling, dtype: int64
In [63]: df['PaperlessBilling'].value counts(normalize = True)
Out[63]: True
                 0.592219
         False
                 0.407781
         Name: PaperlessBilling, dtype: float64
```

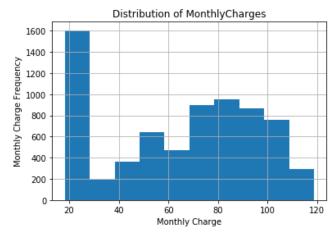
PaymentMethod is a string value that indicates what type of payment method the given customer uses. The payment method values include electronic checks, traditional checks via mail, automatic bank transfer, and automatic payment with a credit card. 33.58% of customers pay via electronic check, 22.89% pay via mailed check, 21.92% pay automatically via bank transfer, and the remaining 21.61% pay automatically via credit card.

```
In [64]: df['PaymentMethod'].value counts()
Out[64]: Electronic check
                                    2365
        Mailed check
                                    1612
        Bank transfer (automatic) 1544
        Credit card (automatic)
                                   1522
        Name: PaymentMethod, dtype: int64
In [65]: df['PaymentMethod'].value counts(normalize = True)
Out[65]: Electronic check
                                    0.335794
        Mailed check
                                    0.228880
        Bank transfer (automatic) 0.219225
        Credit card (automatic)
                                   0.216101
        Name: PaymentMethod, dtype: float64
```

MonthlyCharges is a float value indicating the required monthly payment of a given customer. The mean value is 64.76, the mode value 20.05, the minimum 18.25, and the maximum value 118.75. This distribution is extremely skewed to the right.

```
In [66]: df['MonthlyCharges'].value counts()
Out[66]: 20.05
         19.85
         19.95
                  44
         19.90
                  44
         20.00
                  43
         114.75
                  1
         103.60
                  1
         113.40
         57.65
                   1
         113.30
                   1
         Name: MonthlyCharges, Length: 1585, dtype: int64
In [67]: df['MonthlyCharges'].describe()
Out[67]: count 7043.000000
                  64.761692
         mean
                  30.090047
         std
                  18.250000
         min
                   35.500000
         50%
                   70.350000
         75%
                  89.850000
         max
                 118.750000
        Name: MonthlyCharges, dtype: float64
In [68]: plt.hist(df['MonthlyCharges'])
         plt.title('Distribution of MonthlyCharges')
```

```
In [68]: plt.hist(df['MonthlyCharges'])
    plt.title('Distribution of MonthlyCharges')
    plt.xlabel('Monthly Charge')
    plt.ylabel('Monthly Charge Frequency')
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.show()
```



Here, 11 rows were found to have missing values in the TotalCharges column. As seen in the screenshots below, it was determined that these customers had simply yet to have been charged at the time this dataset was assembled, and as such a value of 0 was filled in for the TotalCharges column.

TotalCharges appears to be a column that represents the total amount a given customer has paid throughout all transactions of the business-customer relationship. However, the column is loaded as the object dtype, or a string, instead of a float. This will have to be changed to examine the data effectively.

These 11 rows have missing values for their TotalCharges column, but this appears to be the only missing columns. Notably, these customers' Tenure values are all 0, and none of them have churned. It seems likely that these customers don't have a TotalCharges value simply because they haven't been charged yet. As such, their TotalCharges value will be set to 0 to allow for later analysis.

```
In [70]: df.loc[pd.to_numeric(df['TotalCharges'], errors='coerce').isnull()]
In [71]: tofix = [488, 753, 936, 1082, 1340, 3331, 3826, 4380, 5218, 6670, 6754]
        df.loc[tofix, 'TotalCharges'] = 0
In [72]: df.iloc[tofix]['TotalCharges']
Out[72]: 488
                0
         753
                0
         936
                0
        1082
         1340
         3331
        3826
              0
         4380
              0
         5218
              0
         6670
              0
        6754
               0
         Name: TotalCharges, dtype: object
```

Now we can change the column to the float dtype and then examine the data. The mean TotalCharges value is 2283.30, the minimum value is 18.80, and the maximum is 8684.80. Overall, the column is very right-skewed.

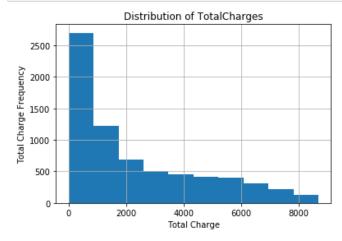
```
In [73]: # Correct the TotalCharges column's dtype from object to float.
    df['TotalCharges'] = df['TotalCharges'].astype('float')
    df.info()
```

Name: TotalCharges, dtype: float64

8684.800000

max

```
In [75]: plt.hist(df['TotalCharges'])
    plt.title('Distribution of TotalCharges')
    plt.xlabel('Total Charge')
    plt.ylabel('Total Charge Frequency')
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.show()
```



Finally, the last column of the dataset is the Churn column, which is a boolean value indicating on whether or not the customer has ceased business. 26.54% customers in this dataset have churned. As a true boolean column, it will be completely changed to the boolean dtype.

```
In [76]: df['Churn'] = df['Churn'].replace({"No":False, "Yes":True})
          df['Churn'] = df['Churn'].astype('bool')
          df.info()
In [77]: df['Churn'].value counts()
Out[77]: False
                  5174
                  1869
         True
         Name: Churn, dtype: int64
In [78]: df['Churn'].value counts(normalize = True)
Out[78]: False
                  0.73463
          True
                  0.26537
         Name: Churn, dtype: float64
In [79]: df.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 7043 entries, 0 to 7042
         Data columns (total 20 columns):
                        7043 non-null object
         Gender
                            7043 non-null bool
         SeniorCitizen
Partner
                            7043 non-null bool
                            7043 non-null bool
         Dependents
                            7043 non-null int64
         Tenure
                            7043 non-null bool
         PhoneService
         MultipleLines 7043 non-null object
         InternetService 7043 non-null object
         OnlineSecurity 7043 non-null object OnlineBackup 7043 non-null object
         DeviceProtection 7043 non-null object
         TechSupport 7043 non-null object
StreamingTV 7043 non-null object
         StreamingMovies 7043 non-null object Contract 7043 non-null object
         PaperlessBilling 7043 non-null bool
                             7043 non-null object
         PaymentMethod
                             7043 non-null float64
         MonthlyCharges
         TotalCharges
                             7043 non-null float64
                             7043 non-null bool
         dtypes: bool(6), float64(2), int64(1), object(11)
         memory usage: 811.7+ KB
```

The next stage of cleaning and exploring the data is to look for outliers. Based on both IQR and z-scores, no outliers were found.

Outlier Detection

In this dataset, the three continuous variable columns do not have any outliers. None are present based on IQR range, as seen on the boxplots, and none are present based on the z-score with a threshold of 3 standard deviations.

Tenure

10

20

40

30 Tenure 50

```
In [80]: sns.boxplot(df['Tenure'])
Out[80]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x167e4173400>
```

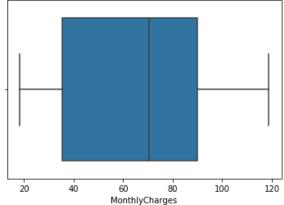
```
In [81]: tenure z = np.abs(scs.zscore(df['Tenure']))
         tenure z
Out[81]: array([1.27744458, 0.06632742, 1.23672422, ..., 0.87024095, 1.15528349,
                1.36937906])
In [82]: print(np.where(tenure_z > 3))
         (array([], dtype=int64),)
```

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MonthlyCharges

```
In [83]: sns.boxplot(df['MonthlyCharges'])
Out[83]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x167e41d31d0>
```



TotalCharges

```
In [86]: sns.boxplot(df['TotalCharges'])
Out[86]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x167e4249358>

In [87]: total_z = np.abs(scs.zscore(df['TotalCharges']))
total_z

Out[87]: array([0.99261052, 0.17216471, 0.9580659 , ..., 0.85293201, 0.87051315, 2.01389665])
In [88]: print(np.where(total_z > 3))
(array([], dtype=int64),)
```

The next step in this process is to transform the data into the structure that the models need. As logistic regression will be performed, the categorical columns will need to be encoded into dummy variables, which are expressed in Boolean values. In addition to the information encoding needing changed a number of these variables are inherently correlated with each other; e.g. MultipleLines with PhoneService, and OnlineSecurity with InternetService. To do meaningful tests of significance, this intercorrelation needs to be removed before the tests are run. Specifically, the problem is that the values of "no phone service" and "no internet service" are also factoring into the tests. There are a few approaches available in order deal with this.

The first is to split the dataframe into three distinct dataframes, one for cutomers with only phone service, one for customers with only internet service, and the last for customers with both phone and internet service through this company. This is less than ideal for several reasons. Rather than a single dataframe with single calculations, this would then create three dataframes and require three tests for each calculation, further complicating how all of the tests would be combined.

The second option is to simply remove a subsection of the rows, effectively removing columns of data in the process. This would technically work but it would also remove a significant amount of information in the process.

The remaining option is to manipulate the encoding and representation of the data. The categories that these all involve can be split into multiple boolean columns representing the "positive" values of the original columns. As an example, the MultipleLines column would be changed to be a boolean True/False option, with all rows that do not have phone service also being represented as False. Ultimately, the multiple logistic regression model is only going to adjust the calculation with a parameter if the value is true, and to create the model, these dummy variables must be created regardless, making this option the best.

```
In [93]: df.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 7043 entries, 0 to 7042
         Data columns (total 20 columns):
                              7043 non-null object
                            7043 non-null bool
         SeniorCitizen
                             7043 non-null bool
         Partner
                        7043 non-null bool
         Dependents
                             7043 non-null int64
         Tenure
         PhoneService 7043 non-null bool MultipleLines 7043 non-null object
         InternetService 7043 non-null object
         OnlineSecurity 7043 non-null object OnlineBackup 7043 non-null object
         DeviceProtection 7043 non-null object
         TechSupport 7043 non-null object StreamingTV 7043 non-null object StreamingMovies 7043 non-null object
         Contract 7043 non-null object
         PaperlessBilling 7043 non-null bool
         PaymentMethod
                              7043 non-null object
         MonthlyCharges
                              7043 non-null float64
                              7043 non-null float64
         TotalCharges
         Churn
                              7043 non-null bool
         dtypes: bool(6), float64(2), int64(1), object(11)
         memory usage: 811.7+ KB
In [94]: original df = df.copy(deep = True)
          Gender
In [95]: df['Gender'].value counts()
Out[95]: Male
                    3555
          Female
                   3488
          Name: Gender, dtype: int64
In [96]: df['Gender'] = df['Gender'].replace({"Male":False, "Female":True})
          df['Gender'] = df['Gender'].astype('bool')
          df['Gender'].value counts()
Out[96]: False
                   3555
          True
                   3488
```

Name: Gender, dtype: int64

MultipleLines

```
In [97]: df['MultipleLines'].value counts()
 Out[97]: No
                              3390
                              2971
          No phone service
                               682
          Name: MultipleLines, dtype: int64
 In [98]: df.loc[df['MultipleLines'] == "No phone service", 'MultipleLines'] = np.NaN
 In [99]: df['MultipleLines'] = df['MultipleLines'].replace({"No":False, "Yes":True})
          df['MultipleLines'] = df['MultipleLines'].fillna(False).astype('bool')
          df['MultipleLines'].value_counts()
 Out[99]: False
                 4072
                  2971
          True
          Name: MultipleLines, dtype: int64
          FiberOpticService
In [100]: df['InternetService'].value counts()
Out[100]: Fiber optic
                         3096
          DSL
                         2421
          False
                         1526
          Name: InternetService, dtype: int64
In [101]: df['FiberOpticService'] = False
In [102]: df.loc[df['InternetService'] == "Fiber optic", 'FiberOpticService'] = True
In [103]: df['FiberOpticService'].value counts()
Out[103]: False
                   3947
                   3096
          True
          Name: FiberOpticService, dtype: int64
          DSLService
In [104]: df['DSLService'] = False
In [105]: df.loc[df['InternetService'] == "DSL", 'DSLService'] = True
In [106]: df['DSLService'].value counts()
Out[106]: False
                  4622
                  2421
          True
          Name: DSLService, dtype: int64
In [107]: df.drop('InternetService', axis = 1, inplace = True)
```

OnlineSecurity

```
In [108]: df['OnlineSecurity'].value counts()
Out[108]: False
                                 3498
                                 2019
          True
                                1526
          No internet service
          Name: OnlineSecurity, dtype: int64
In [109]: df.loc[df['OnlineSecurity'] == "No internet service", 'OnlineSecurity'] = np.Na
In [110]: df['OnlineSecurity'] = df['OnlineSecurity'].replace({"False":False, "True":True
          df['OnlineSecurity'] = df['OnlineSecurity'].fillna(False).astype('bool')
          df['OnlineSecurity'].value_counts()
          <
Out[110]: False
                   5024
          True
                   2019
          Name: OnlineSecurity, dtype: int64
          OnlineBackup
In [111]: df['OnlineBackup'].value counts()
Out[111]: False
                                 3088
          True
                                 2429
          No internet service
                               1526
          Name: OnlineBackup, dtype: int64
In [112]: df.loc[df['OnlineBackup'] == "No internet service", 'OnlineBackup'] = np.NaN
In [113]: df['OnlineBackup'] = df['OnlineBackup'].replace({"False":False, "True":True})
          df['OnlineBackup'] = df['OnlineBackup'].fillna(False).astype('bool')
          df['OnlineBackup'].value_counts()
Out[113]: False
                   4614
          True
                   2429
          Name: OnlineBackup, dtype: int64
```

DeviceProtection

```
In [114]: df['DeviceProtection'].value counts()
Out[114]: False
                                 3095
          True
                                 2422
          No internet service
                                 1526
          Name: DeviceProtection, dtype: int64
In [115]: df.loc[df['DeviceProtection'] == "No internet service", 'DeviceProtection'] = n
In [116]: df['DeviceProtection'] = df['DeviceProtection'].replace({"False":False, "True":
          df['DeviceProtection'] = df['DeviceProtection'].fillna(False).astype('bool')
          df['DeviceProtection'].value_counts()
Out[116]: False
                   4621
                   2422
          True
          Name: DeviceProtection, dtype: int64
          TechSupport
In [117]: df['TechSupport'].value counts()
Out[117]: False
                                 3473
          True
                                 2044
          No internet service
                                 1526
          Name: TechSupport, dtype: int64
In [118]: df.loc[df['TechSupport'] == "No internet service", 'TechSupport'] = np.NaN
In [119]: df['TechSupport'] = df['TechSupport'].replace({"False":False, "True":True})
          df['TechSupport'] = df['TechSupport'].fillna(False).astype('bool')
          df['TechSupport'].value counts()
Out[119]: False
                  4999
          True
                  2044
          Name: TechSupport, dtype: int64
```

StreamingTV

```
In [120]: df['StreamingTV'].value_counts()
Out[120]: False
                                 2810
          True
                                 2707
          No internet service
                                 1526
          Name: StreamingTV, dtype: int64
In [121]: df.loc[df['StreamingTV'] == "No internet service", 'StreamingTV'] = np.NaN
In [122]: df['StreamingTV'] = df['StreamingTV'].replace({"False":False, "True":True})
          df['StreamingTV'] = df['StreamingTV'].fillna(False).astype('bool')
          df['StreamingTV'].value counts()
Out[122]: False
                  4336
          True
                  2707
          Name: StreamingTV, dtype: int64
          StreamingMovies
In [123]: df['StreamingMovies'].value counts()
Out[123]: False
                                 2785
                                 2732
          True
                               1526
          No internet service
          Name: StreamingMovies, dtype: int64
In [124]: df.loc[df['StreamingMovies'] == "No internet service", 'StreamingMovies'] = np.
          <
In [125]: df['StreamingMovies'] = df['StreamingMovies'].replace({"False":False, "True":Tr
          df['StreamingMovies'] = df['StreamingMovies'].fillna(False).astype('bool')
          df['StreamingMovies'].value counts()
          <
Out[125]: False
                   4311
          True
                   2732
          Name: StreamingMovies, dtype: int64
```

Contract

The most common type of contract is the Month-to-month contract, so it will be the reference level, having both the new one year and two year contract columns as False.

```
In [126]: df['Contract'].value_counts()
Out[126]: Month-to-month
                            3875
          Two year 1695
                             1473
           One year
           Name: Contract, dtype: int64
In [127]: df['OneYearContract'] = False
           df['TwoYearContract'] = False
In [128]: df.loc[df['Contract'] == "One year", 'OneYearContract'] = True
    df.loc[df['Contract'] == "Two year", 'TwoYearContract'] = True
In [129]: df['OneYearContract'].value_counts()
Out[129]: False 5570
           True
                   1473
          Name: OneYearContract, dtype: int64
In [130]: df['TwoYearContract'].value counts()
Out[130]: False 5348
          True
                   1695
          Name: TwoYearContract, dtype: int64
In [131]: df.drop('Contract', axis = 1, inplace = True)
```

PaymentMethod

The most common type of payment method is by electronic check, so it will be the reference level, having the new columns mailed check, bank transfer, and credit card as False.

```
In [132]: df['PaymentMethod'].value counts()
Out[132]: Electronic check
          Mailed check
Bank transfer (automatic) 1544
Conditional (automatic) 1522
          Name: PaymentMethod, dtype: int64
In [133]: df['MailedCheckPayment'] = False
          df['BankTransferPayment'] = False
          df['CreditCardPayment'] = False
In [134]: | df.loc[df['PaymentMethod'] == "Mailed check", 'MailedCheckPayment'] = True
          df.loc[df['PaymentMethod'] = "Bank transfer (automatic)", 'BankTransferPayment
          df.loc[df['PaymentMethod'] == "Credit card (automatic)", 'CreditCardPayment']
In [135]: df['MailedCheckPayment'].value counts()
Out[135]: False 5431
                   1612
          True
          Name: MailedCheckPayment, dtype: int64
In [136]: df['BankTransferPayment'].value counts()
Out[136]: False
                   5499
                   1544
          True
          Name: BankTransferPayment, dtype: int64
In [137]: df['CreditCardPayment'].value_counts()
Out[137]: False
                   5521
          True
                  1522
          Name: CreditCardPayment, dtype: int64
In [138]: df.drop('PaymentMethod', axis = 1, inplace = True)
```

Finally, reorganize all of the columns back to the order that the original dataset was in.

This section culminates into the dataframe below. All categorical variables have been recoded into Boolean values for the future regression modeling and the continuous variables are still intact as integer for the Tenure column, and floating point for the two charges columns.

```
In [141]: df.info()
                                <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
                                RangeIndex: 7043 entries, 0 to 7042
                                Data columns (total 24 columns):
                                                                                                        7043 non-null bool
                                Gender
                               SeniorCitizen 7043 non-null bool
Partner 7043 non-null bool
Dependents 7043 non-null bool

        Dependents
        7043 non-null bool

        Tenure
        7043 non-null int64

        PhoneService
        7043 non-null bool

        MultipleLines
        7043 non-null bool

        FiberOpticService
        7043 non-null bool

        DSLService
        7043 non-null bool

        OnlineSecurity
        7043 non-null bool

        OnlineBackup
        7043 non-null bool

        DeviceProtection
        7043 non-null bool

        TechSupport
        7043 non-null bool

        StreamingTV
        7043 non-null bool

        StreamingMovies
        7043 non-null bool

        OneYearContract
        7043 non-null bool

        TwoYearContract
        7043 non-null bool

        PaperlessBilling
        7043 non-null bool

        MailedCheckPayment
        7043 non-null bool

        BankTransferPayment
        7043 non-null bool

                                BankTransferPayment 7043 non-null bool
                               BankTransierrage 7043 non-nuir 2002
CreditCardPayment 7043 non-nuir 2002
7043 non-null float64
                               MonthlyCharges
                               TotalCharges
                                                                                                     7043 non-null float64
                                Churn
                                                                                                       7043 non-null bool
                                dtypes: bool(21), float64(2), int64(1)
                               memory usage: 309.6 KB
```

Later on, during the bivariate data visualization, contingency tables were created for each categorical column of the dataframe, and chi squared tests were performed on each of these to check for statistical significance in their relationship with Churn rate. Gender and PhoneService were found to not be significant by wide margins, and were removed.

The two columns that did not have significance will be removed to simplify later calculations.

```
In [213]: df.drop(['Gender', 'PhoneService'], axis = 1, inplace = True)
```

As an iterative process, data cleaning and manipulation can occur throughout an entire project. After the MCA, PCA, and FAMD were performed, two more columns were removed after finding the interactions they caused.

Now the columns identified as interactions or flagged for removal with the MCA, PCA, and correlation tests can be removed.

```
In [234]: df.drop(['StreamingTV', 'TotalCharges'], axis = 1, inplace = True)
```

IV: Data Analysis

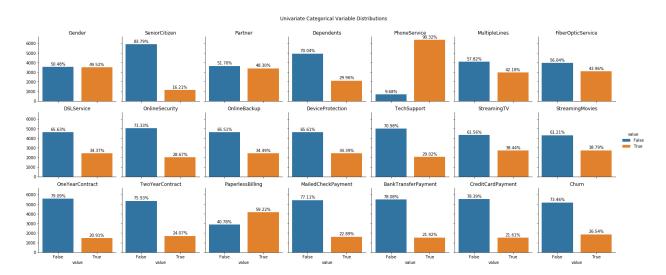
As all of the distributions have been examined in the data exploration and cleaning stage, this section acts as a recap and a point at which to actually represent them graphically. The following code reformats the cleaned dataframe into its long form so that the resulting graphs are generated together in a single chart with shared axes. This should allow for easy comparison of proportions. The large chart of all categorical variables is followed by the summary statistics and a histogram showing the distribution of each of the continuous variables.

Univariate Distribution Visualization

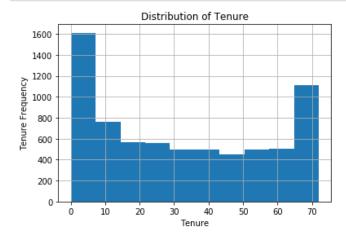
```
In [142]: viz df = df.drop(['Tenure', 'MonthlyCharges', 'TotalCharges'], axis = 1)
           viz df.columns
Out[142]: Index(['Gender', 'SeniorCitizen', 'Partner', 'Dependents', 'PhoneService',
                  'MultipleLines', 'FiberOpticService', 'DSLService', 'OnlineSecurity',
                  'OnlineBackup', 'DeviceProtection', 'TechSupport', 'StreamingTV',
                  'StreamingMovies', 'OneYearContract', 'TwoYearContract',
                  'PaperlessBilling', 'MailedCheckPayment', 'BankTransferPayment',
                  'CreditCardPayment', 'Churn'],
                 dtype='object')
In [143]: melted = viz df.melt()
In [144]: melted
Out[144]:
                  variable value
                0 Gender
                          True
                   Gender False
                   Gender False
                   Gender False
                   Gender
                          True
           147898
                    Churn False
           147899
                    Churn False
           147900
                    Churn False
           147901
                    Churn
                          True
           147902
                    Churn False
           147903 rows × 2 columns
```

```
In [145]: g = sns.FacetGrid(
              melted,
              col = 'variable',
              hue = 'value',
              sharey = 'row',
              sharex = 'col',
              col\_wrap = 7,
              legend_out = True,
          g = g.map(sns.countplot, 'value', order = [False, True]).add_legend()
          plt.subplots adjust(top = 0.9)
          q.fiq.suptitle('Univariate Categorical Variable Distributions')
          # Add the percentage proportion value for each column in each variable plot.
          for i, ax in enumerate(g.axes):
              # Set each plot's title to its corresponding column name.
              ax.set title(viz df.columns[i])
              for p in ax.patches:
                  percentage = "{0:.2f}".format((p.get height() / n rows) * 100) + "%"
                  ax.annotate(percentage, (p.get_x() + p.get_width() / 2., p.get_height()
                             ha = 'center', va = 'center', xytext = (0, 7), textcoords =
          g.savefig("Univariate Distributions.png")
```

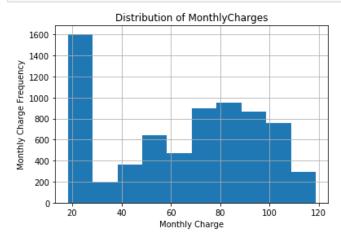
Out[145]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x243d67b2dd8>



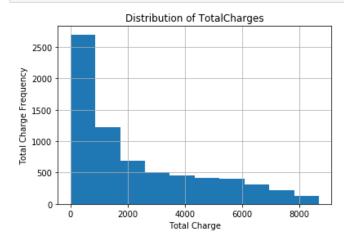
```
In [146]: df['Tenure'].describe()
Out[146]: count
                  7043.000000
                   32.371149
         mean
                    24.559481
          std
                    0.000000
          min
          25%
                     9.000000
          50%
                    29.000000
          75%
                    55.000000
          max
                    72.000000
         Name: Tenure, dtype: float64
In [147]: plt.hist(df['Tenure'])
          plt.title('Distribution of Tenure')
          plt.xlabel('Tenure')
          plt.ylabel('Tenure Frequency')
          plt.grid(True)
          plt.show()
```



```
In [148]: df['MonthlyCharges'].describe()
Out[148]: count
                  7043.000000
                   64.761692
          mean
                     30.090047
          std
                     18.250000
          min
          25%
                     35.500000
          50%
                     70.350000
          75%
                    89.850000
          max
                    118.750000
          Name: MonthlyCharges, dtype: float64
In [149]: plt.hist(df['MonthlyCharges'])
          plt.title('Distribution of MonthlyCharges')
          plt.xlabel('Monthly Charge')
          plt.ylabel('Monthly Charge Frequency')
          plt.grid(True)
          plt.show()
```



```
In [150]: df['TotalCharges'].describe()
Out[150]: count
                   7043.000000
                   2279.734304
          mean
                   2266.794470
          std
                      0.000000
          min
          25%
                    398.550000
          50%
                   1394.550000
          75%
                   3786.600000
          max
                   8684.800000
          Name: TotalCharges, dtype: float64
In [151]: plt.hist(df['TotalCharges'])
          plt.title('Distribution of TotalCharges')
          plt.xlabel('Total Charge')
          plt.ylabel('Total Charge Frequency')
          plt.grid(True)
          plt.show()
```



For ease of interpretation and usage given the 2x2 relationships between churn and the other categorical variables, simple contingency tables were used to visualize the categorical bivariate distributions. Bar, pie, and mosaic plots were all considered, but all seemed to overcomplicate the presentation. In each of the following sections, the first table is the raw numbers of the categorical variables, and the second table contains the same information but normalized into proportions. The two columns Contract and PaymentMethod, have more values than just True/False. These have been visualized with bar plots grouped by the rows' Churn values.

Gender In [152]: gender contingency = pd.crosstab(df["Gender"], df["Churn"]) gender contingency Out[152]: Churn False True Gender False 2625 True 2549 939 pd.crosstab(df["Gender"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index") Out[153]: Churn False True Gender False 0.738397 0.261603 True 0.730791 0.269209 **SeniorCitizen** In [155]: senior contingency = pd.crosstab(df["SeniorCitizen"], df["Churn"]) senior contingency Out[155]: Churn False True SeniorCitizen False 4508 1393 True 666 476 pd.crosstab(df["SeniorCitizen"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index") In [156]: Out[156]: Churn False True SeniorCitizen False 0.763938 0.236062

True 0.583187 0.416813

Partner

```
In [158]: partner_contingency = pd.crosstab(df["Partner"], df["Churn"])
           partner contingency
Out[158]:
            Churn False True
           Partner
             False 2441 1200
             True 2733 669
In [159]: pd.crosstab(df["Partner"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[159]:
            Churn
                     False
                              True
           Partner
             False 0.670420 0.329580
             True 0.803351 0.196649
          Dependents
In [161]: dependents_contingency = pd.crosstab(df["Dependents"], df["Churn"])
           dependents_contingency
Out[161]:
                Churn False True
           Dependents
                False 3390 1543
                 True 1784 326
In [162]:
          pd.crosstab(df["Dependents"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[162]:
                        False
                Churn
                                  True
           Dependents
                False 0.687209 0.312791
                True 0.845498 0.154502
```

PhoneService

```
In [164]: phone_contingency = pd.crosstab(df["PhoneService"], df["Churn"])
           phone_contingency
Out[164]:
                 Churn False True
           Phone Service
                 False 512 170
                  True 4662 1699
In [165]: pd.crosstab(df["PhoneService"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[165]:
                 Churn
                          False
                                   True
           Phone Service
                 False 0.750733 0.249267
                  True 0.732904 0.267096
          MultipleLines
In [167]: lines_contingency = pd.crosstab(df["MultipleLines"], df["Churn"])
          lines_contingency
Out[167]:
                 Churn False True
           MultipleLines
                 False 3053 1019
                 True 2121 850
In [168]: pd.crosstab(df["MultipleLines"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[168]:
                 Churn
                         False
                                   True
           MultipleLines
                 False 0.749754 0.250246
                 True 0.713901 0.286099
```

InternetService

```
In [170]: fiber contingency = pd.crosstab(df["FiberOpticService"], df["Churn"])
           fiber contingency
Out[170]:
                    Churn False True
           FiberOptic Service
                     False 3375 572
                     True 1799 1297
In [171]: pd.crosstab(df["FiberOpticService"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[171]:
                    Churn
                             False
                                       True
           FiberOptic Service
                     False 0.855080 0.144920
                     True 0.581072 0.418928
In [173]: dsl contingency = pd.crosstab(df["DSLService"], df["Churn"])
           dsl contingency
Out[173]:
               Churn False True
           DSLService
                False 3212 1410
                 True 1962 459
In [174]: pd.crosstab(df["DSLService"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[174]:
                Churn
                         False
                                  True
           DSLService
                False 0.694937 0.305063
                 True 0.810409 0.189591
```

OnlineSecurity

```
In [176]: security_contingency = pd.crosstab(df["OnlineSecurity"], df["Churn"])
           security contingency
Out[176]:
                 Churn False True
           Online Security
                  False 3450 1574
                   True 1724 295
In [177]: pd.crosstab(df["OnlineSecurity"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[177]:
                                    True
                  Churn
                           False
           Online Security
                  False 0.686704 0.313296
                   True 0.853888 0.146112
           OnlineBackup
In [179]: backup_contingency = pd.crosstab(df["OnlineBackup"], df["Churn"])
           backup_contingency
Out[179]:
                 Churn False True
           OnlineBackup
                  False 3268 1346
                  True 1906 523
In [180]: pd.crosstab(df["OnlineBackup"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[180]:
                 Churn
                          False
                                   True
           OnlineBackup
                  False 0.708279 0.291721
                  True 0.784685 0.215315
```

DeviceProtection

```
In [182]: dev_protection_contingency = pd.crosstab(df["DeviceProtection"], df["Churn"])
           dev_protection_contingency
Out[182]:
                    Churn False True
            DeviceProtection
                    False 3297 1324
                     True 1877 545
In [183]: pd.crosstab(df["DeviceProtection"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[183]:
                    Churn
                             False
                                      True
           DeviceProtection
                    False 0.713482 0.286518
                     True 0.774979 0.225021
           TechSupport
In [185]: support contingency = pd.crosstab(df["TechSupport"], df["Churn"])
           support_contingency
Out[185]:
                Churn False True
           Tech Support
                 False 3440 1559
                 True 1734 310
In [186]: pd.crosstab(df["TechSupport"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[186]:
                Churn
                         False
                                  True
           Tech Support
                 False 0.688138 0.311862
                 True 0.848337 0.151663
```

StreamingTV

```
In [188]: tv_contingency = pd.crosstab(df["StreamingTV"], df["Churn"])
           tv_contingency
Out[188]:
                Churn False True
           StreamingTV
                 False 3281 1055
                 True 1893 814
In [189]: pd.crosstab(df["StreamingTV"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[189]:
                 Churn
                         False
                                  True
           StreamingTV
                 False 0.756688 0.243312
                 True 0.699298 0.300702
          StreamingMovies
In [191]: movies_contingency = pd.crosstab(df["StreamingMovies"], df["Churn"])
          movies_contingency
Out[191]:
                    Churn False True
           StreamingMovies
                    False 3260 1051
                    True 1914 818
In [192]: pd.crosstab(df["StreamingMovies"], df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[192]:
                    Churn
                            False
                                      True
           StreamingMovies
                    False 0.756205 0.243795
                    True 0.700586 0.299414
```

Contract

```
In [194]: contract contingency = pd.crosstab(original df["Contract"], original df["Churn"
           contract contingency
Out[194]:
                   Churn False
                               True
                 Contract
            Month-to-month
                          2220
                               1655
                 One year 1307
                                166
                 Two year 1647
                                 48
In [195]:
           pd.crosstab(original_df["Contract"], original_df["Churn"], normalize = "index")
Out[195]:
                   Churn
                            False
                                      True
                 Contract
            Month-to-month 0.572903 0.427097
                 One year 0.887305 0.112695
                 Two year 0.971681 0.028319
In [196]: sns.countplot(x = original_df["Contract"], hue = original_df["Churn"])
Out[196]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x26494207160>
                                                          Churn
                                                          False
              2000
                                                            True
              1500
              1000
               500
                 0
                     Month-to-month
                                       One year
                                                      Two year
                                       Contract
```

The χ^2 test shows significance, so this column should be examined in more detail later. Customers who had been in a month to month contract in this data set have a substantial difference in churn rate, likely because of the lack of legal agreements preventing ease of churn, and should be examined in much greater detail.

PaperlessBilling

PaymentMethod

```
In [201]: payment contingency = pd.crosstab(original df["PaymentMethod"], original df["Ch
           payment contingency
           <
Out[201]:
                          Churn False True
                  PaymentMethod
            Bank transfer (automatic) 1286
              Credit card (automatic)
                                1290
                                       232
                   Electronic check 1294 1071
                     Mailed check 1304
                                       308
In [202]: pd.crosstab(original df["PaymentMethod"], original df["Churn"], normalize = "in
Out[202]:
                          Churn
                                    False
                                             True
                  PaymentMethod
            Bank transfer (automatic) 0.832902 0.167098
              Credit card (automatic) 0.847569 0.152431
                   Electronic check 0.547146 0.452854
                     Mailed check 0.808933 0.191067
In [203]: fig = sns.countplot(x = original_df["PaymentMethod"], hue = original_df["Churn"
           fig.set_xticklabels(fig.get_xticklabels(), rotation = 45)
Out[203]: [Text(0, 0, 'Electronic check'),
            Text(0, 0, 'Mailed check'),
            Text(0, 0, 'Bank transfer (automatic)'),
            Text(0, 0, 'Credit card (automatic)')]
                                                          Churn
              1200
                                                            False
                                                            True
              1000
               800
            count
               600
               400
               200
                 0
                                    PaymentMethod
```

The three continuous variables, Tenure, MonthlyCharges, and TotalCharges, are visualized through Seaborn's distplot function, which overlays a histogram of the data with a kernel density estimate. The dataframe is divided by the Churn column, and for each continuous column, both dataframes' distributions via histograms are superimposed for direct comparison.

Continuous Variable Churn Distribution

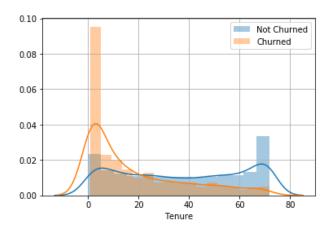
- Tenure
- MonthlyCharges
- TotalCharges

Tenure

In regards to the customers who churned and those that did not in this data set, there is a very substantial difference in Tenure. As expected, the lower the tenure, the higher the relative percentage of churn rate.

```
In [207]: sns.distplot(not_churn_df['Tenure'])
    sns.distplot(churn_df['Tenure'])
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.legend(["Not Churned", "Churned"])
```

Out[207]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x264942fb630>

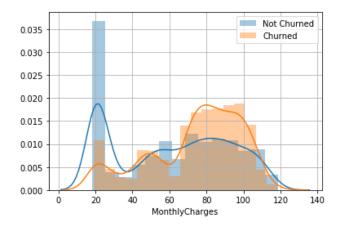


MonthlyCharges

In looking at the MonthlyCharges and TotalCharges values, it becomes clear that the churned and not churned distribution differ on these columns. The churn rate is much higher when a customer has a higher MonthlyCharges value. This is to be expected since a higher monthly bill causes more financial pressure on the customer and gives a greater performance expectation on the end of the service provider. It appears that over 35% of customers who have not churned have 20-25 as their MonthlyCharges value.

```
In [209]: sns.distplot(not_churn_df['MonthlyCharges'])
    sns.distplot(churn_df['MonthlyCharges'])
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.legend(["Not Churned", "Churned"])
```

Out[209]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x26494439da0>

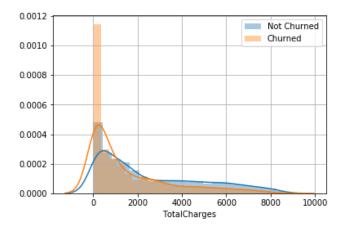


Total Charges

With the TotalCharges column, the distribution in churned and not churned is less of a difference than in the MonthlyCharges column, but is still substantial. The lower the TotalCharges, the higher the churn rate. It appears that over 10% of all customers who have churned had less than 400 TotalCharges.

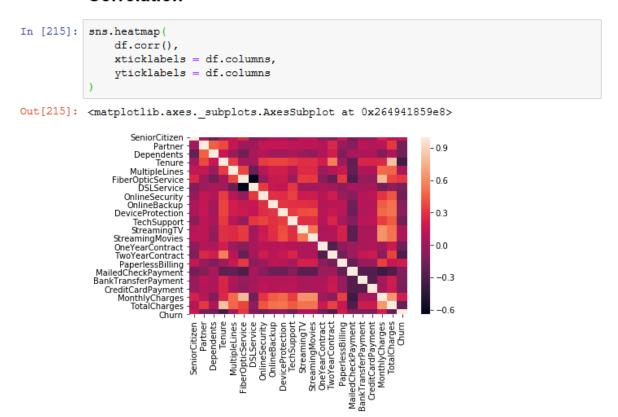
```
In [211]: sns.distplot(not_churn_df['TotalCharges'])
    sns.distplot(churn_df['TotalCharges'])
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.legend(["Not Churned", "Churned"])
```

Out[211]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x264949e8e80>



Finally, for multivariate visualization, a heatmap of the dataframe's correlation coefficient matrix was created and used to look for correlation between the columns. Given the scenario, the most important correlations to look for are those pertaining to the Churn column, which is the focus in prediction. This visualization is very import to look for interactions that need removed, like the extremely high correlation coefficient that exists between the Tenure and TotalCharges columns.

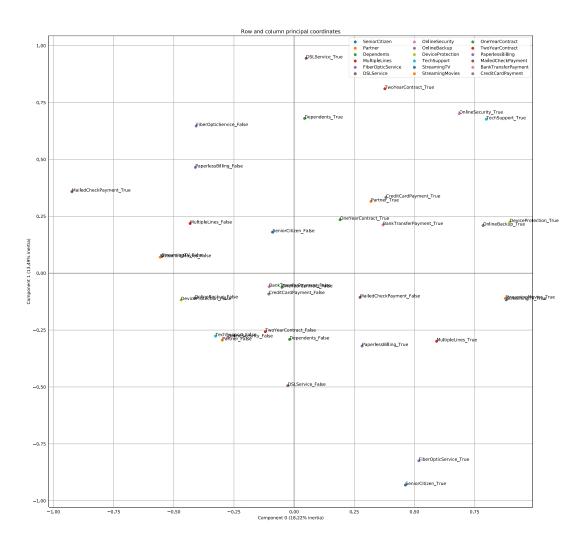
Correlation



The primary methods of analysis in this report are factor analysis of mixed data, or FAMD, and logistic regression. Multiple correspondence analysis, MCA, was used to explore and examine the cleaned categorical variables. Principal component analysis, PCA, was used to explore and examine the cleaned continuous variables. FAMD was used for dimensionality reduction. Correlation analysis was used throughout the cleaning, exploration, and analysis portions. Finally, as a culmination of all of these methods, logistic regression was used to produce a predictive model with a tested accuracy of 0.8113 and an ROC AUC of 0.8422. The coefficients of the logistic regression model were also examined to come to conclusions about the dataset.

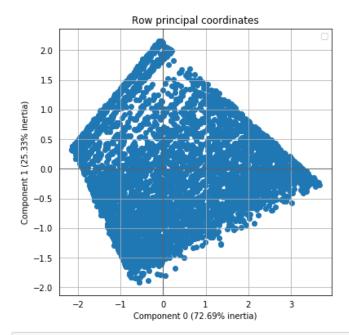
MCA

```
In [217]: mca_df = df[['SeniorCitizen', 'Partner', 'Dependents', 'MultipleLines',
                            'FiberOpticService', 'DSLService', 'OnlineSecurity', 'OnlineBackup 'DeviceProtection', 'TechSupport', 'StreamingTV', 'StreamingMovies 'OneYearContract', 'TwoYearContract', 'PaperlessBilling',
                            'MailedCheckPayment', 'BankTransferPayment', 'CreditCardPayment']]
In [218]: mca = prince.MCA(
                 n_components = 18,
                 n iter = 3,
                 copy = True
            mca = mca.fit(mca_df)
In [221]: plt.plot(np.arange(18), mca_eigenvalues, 'ro-')
            plt.title("Scree Plot")
            plt.xlabel("Principal Component")
            plt.ylabel("Eigenvalue")
            plt.show()
                                          Scree Plot
               0.175
                0.150
               0.125
             0.100
0.075
               0.050
               0.025
               0.000
                      0.0
                             2.5
                                   5.0
                                          7.5
                                                10.0
                                                       12.5
                                                              15.0
                                      Principal Component
In [222]: mca = prince.MCA(
                 n_components = 3,
                 n_{iter} = 3,
                 copy = True
            mca = mca.fit(mca_df)
In [223]: ax = mca.plot_coordinates(
                 X = mca df
                 ax = None,
                  figsize=(20, 20),
                 show row points=False,
                 show_row_labels=False,
                 show_column_points=True,
                 column_points_size=30,
                  show_column_labels=True,
                 legend_n_cols=3
            plt.savefig('Charts/MCA.svg')
```



PCA

```
In [224]: pca df = df[['Tenure', 'MonthlyCharges', 'TotalCharges']]
In [225]: pca_df = preprocessing.MinMaxScaler().fit_transform(pca_df)
          pca_df
Out[225]: array([[0.01388889, 0.11542289, 0.00343704],
                  [0.47222222, 0.38507463, 0.21756402],
                 [0.02777778, 0.35422886, 0.01245279],
                 ...,
                 [0.15277778, 0.11293532, 0.03989153],
                  [0.05555556, 0.55870647, 0.03530306],
                 [0.91666667, 0.86965174, 0.78810105]])
In [226]: # Rewrite the normalized columns back to the base dataframe for the upcoming an
          df['Tenure'] = (df['Tenure'] - df['Tenure'].mean()) / df['Tenure'].std()
          df['MonthlyCharges'] = (df['MonthlyCharges'] - df['MonthlyCharges'].mean()) / d
          df['TotalCharges'] = (df['TotalCharges'] - df['TotalCharges'].mean()) / df['Tot
In [227]: pca = prince.PCA(
              n_components=3,
               n iter=3,
               copy=True,
               check input=True,
          pca = pca.fit(pca_df)
In [228]: ax = pca.plot_row_coordinates(
             pca_df,
              ax = None,
              figsize = (6, 6),
              x component = 0,
              y_component = 1
```



In [229]: pca.explained_inertia_

Out[229]: [0.726888379280512, 0.25325809879467087, 0.019853521924817454]

In [230]: pca.column_correlations(pca_df)

Out[230]:

	0	1	2
0	0.837734	0.528903	0.135878
1	0.717447	-0.690778	0.089971
2	0.091005	0.053484	-0.191667

In the process of looking into principal components and variable interactions, it is worth looking at the continuous variable columns and reconsidering what they may represent. Tenure may be better decribed as the amount of bills a customer has had, and if that is the case, then TotalCharges may be nothing more than Tenure * MonthlyCharges.

As seen in the test below, this isn't exactly the case, but the correlation between Tenure and MonthlyCharges, and TotalCharges is very high, with a Pearson correlation coefficient of 0.83 between Tenure and TotalCharges. Given the high correlation between these, TotalCharges will be removed from the dataframe before the logistic regression is performed.

```
In [231]: df[['Tenure', 'MonthlyCharges', 'TotalCharges']].corr()
```

Out[231]:

Tenure MonthlyCharges TotalCharges Tenure 1.000000 0.247900 0.826178

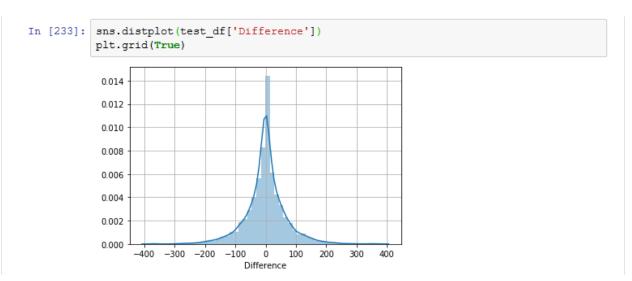
MonthlyCharges 0.247900 1.000000 0.651174

TotalCharges 0.826178 0.651174 1.000000

```
In [232]: test_df = original_df[['Tenure', 'MonthlyCharges', 'TotalCharges']]
    test_df['TenureMonthlyCharges'] = test_df['Tenure'] * test_df['MonthlyCharges']
    test_df['Difference'] = test_df['TenureMonthlyCharges'] - test_df['TotalCharges
    test_df.describe()
```

Out[232]:

	Tenure	MonthlyCharges	TotalCharges	TenureMonthlyCharges	Difference
count	7043.000000	7043.000000	7043.000000	7043.000000	7043.000000
mean	32.371149	64.761692	2279.734304	2279.581350	-0.152953
std	24.559481	30.090047	2266.794470	2264.729447	67.202778
min	0.000000	18.250000	0.000000	0.000000	-373.250000
25%	9.000000	35.500000	398.550000	394.000000	-28.500000
50%	29.000000	70.350000	1394.550000	1393.600000	0.000000
75%	55.000000	89.850000	3786.600000	3786.100000	28.600000
max	72.000000	118.750000	8684.800000	8550.000000	370.850000



Now the columns identified as interactions or flagged for removal with the MCA, PCA, and correlation tests can be removed.

```
In [234]: df.drop(['StreamingTV', 'TotalCharges'], axis = 1, inplace = True)
```

FAMD

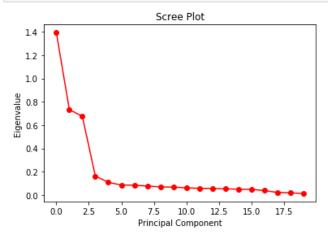
To continue exploring the data and to find the most important variables for the predictive analysis, FAMD, or Factor Analysis of Mixed Data will be used.

With the factor analysis performed, we can examine the eigenvalues of the dataset and determine what eigenvectors to consider. Judging by the scree plot, the top 4 vectors should be used.

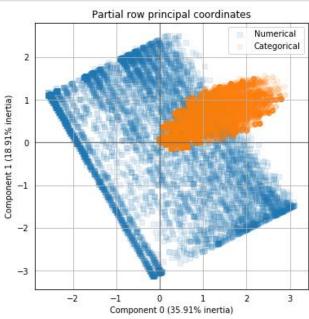
```
In [236]: eigenvalues = famd.eigenvalues
          eigenvalues
Out[236]: [1.3934409203989457,
           0.7335955145699103,
           0.6747811569176838,
           0.16300031504936702,
           0.10912111549558266,
           0.08597713294817494,
           0.08471337252757029,
           0.07689480167820657,
           0.06994335210310534,
           0.06790319611467652,
           0.06182116997501195,
           0.057821381747245,
           0.05574180279330778,
           0.05250894093022582,
           0.05077638525372531,
           0.048535650522315336,
           0.03827038249294526,
           0.02289045346256872,
           0.018366894899560574,
           0.014173621899521146]
```

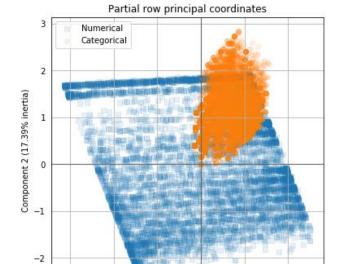
The scree plot below shows that 4 factors are an adequate amount to use for modeling.

```
In [237]: plt.plot(np.arange(20), eigenvalues, 'ro-')
    plt.title("Scree Plot")
    plt.xlabel("Principal Component")
    plt.ylabel("Eigenvalue")
    plt.show()
```



```
In [238]: famd = prince.FAMD(
               n components = 4,
               n iter = 3,
               copy = True
           famd = famd.fit(df)
In [239]:
           eigenvalues = famd.eigenvalues
           eigenvalues
Out[239]: [1.393440920721763, 0.7335955121345971, 0.674781155124393, 0.162998265176196
In [240]: famd.explained_inertia_
Out[240]: [0.3591085684198537,
            0.18905748370403094,
            0.1739002285707967,
            0.042006857120303685]
           However, this only equates to 76.4% of variance of the dataset explained. A 5th factor may be
           necessary for proper accuracy.
In [241]: sum(famd.explained inertia)
Out[241]: 0.7640731378149851
In [242]: famd.column_correlations(df)
Out[242]:
                                              1
            BankTransferPayment 0.169347 -0.234801 -0.055352 -0.150342
                   TechSupport 0.419837 -0.212003 -0.349523 0.058267
                       Partner 0.285479 -0.355039 -0.114051 -0.212548
            MailedCheckPayment -0.394541 0.104815 0.385285 -0.141558
                  SeniorCitizen 0.161476 0.062453 -0.218131 0.169914
                  OnlineSecurity 0.392665 -0.230035 -0.308667 0.019311
                TwoYearContract 0.268859 -0.600647 0.043416 -0.491380
               FiberOpticService 0.553599 0.262111 -0.777801 0.645556
               StreamingMovies 0.597270 -0.068711 -0.633186 0.323681
                PaperlessBilling 0.247266 0.121161 -0.346142 0.291160
                   Dependents 0.013797 -0.204942 0.105630 -0.220951
```

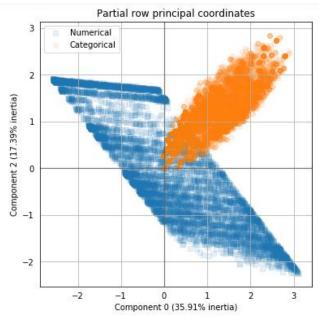




-1 0 1 Component 1 (18.91% inertia)

-3

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```
In [246]: three_dimension_fa = famd.row_contributions(df)
three_dimension_fa
```

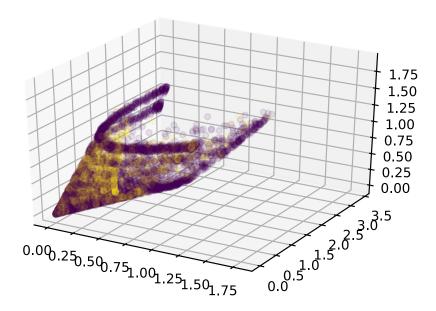
Out[246]:

	0	1	2	3
0	0.882797	0.559957	0.811650	0.000063
1	0.008367	0.019372	0.034541	0.003680
2	0.347024	0.914568	0.102901	0.077133
3	0.018341	0.447505	0.273310	0.120836
4	0.126795	1.262457	0.010533	0.167698

```
In [249]: three_dimension_fa_churn = three_dimension_fa.copy(deep = True)
    three_dimension_fa_churn['Churn'] = df['Churn']

In [250]: fig = plt.figure()
    ax = fig.add_subplot(111, projection = '3d')
    x = three_dimension_fa_churn[0]
    y = three_dimension_fa_churn[1]
    z = three_dimension_fa_churn[2]
    color = three_dimension_fa_churn['Churn']
    ax.scatter(x, y, z, c = color, alpha = 0.1)

pickle.dump(fig, open('3D FAMD Churn.fig.pickle', 'wb'))
    fig.savefig("Charts/FAMD Churn.svg")
```



Logistic Regression

Two models will be created using Logistic Regression here, once with the basic cleaned dataframe, and another using the Factor Analysis of Mixed Data results.

```
In [251]: from sklearn.model selection import train test split
           from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
           from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, precision_score, classification_r
           Base Dataframe Model
In [252]: x df = df.drop('Churn', axis = 1)
In [253]: # Random_state is set to allow exact reproducibility.
           x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x_df, df['Churn'],
             test size = 0.1, random state = 1)
In [254]: regression = LogisticRegression()
           regression.fit(x train, y train)
Out[254]: LogisticRegression(C=1.0, class_weight=None, dual=False, fit_intercept=True,
                               intercept_scaling=1, l1_ratio=None, max_iter=100,
                               multi_class='warn', n_jobs=None, penalty='12',
                               random state=None, solver='warn', tol=0.0001, verbose=0,
                               warm start=False)
In [255]: regression.intercept
Out[255]: array([-2.14121805])
In [256]: regression.coef_
Out[256]: array([[ 0.22680933, -0.00440932, -0.11375933, -0.79849974, 0.20898317,
                   1.683634 , 0.88671329, -0.40286786, -0.09805871, 0.03363374, -0.30891087, 0.37943566, -0.66759031, -1.36620076, 0.3358983 ,
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-0.35053947, -0.34015657, -0.39539662, 0.01770752]])

Out[257]:

	Column	Coefficient
0	SeniorCitizen	0.226809
1	Partner	-0.004409
2	Dependents	-0.113759
3	Tenure	-0.798500
4	MultipleLines	0.208983
5	FiberOpticService	1.683634
6	DSLService	0.886713
7	OnlineSecurity	-0.402868
8	OnlineBackup	-0.098059
9	DeviceProtection	0.033634
10	TechSupport	-0.308911
11	StreamingMovies	0.379436
12	OneYearContract	-0.667590
13	TwoYearContract	-1.366201
14	PaperlessBilling	0.335898
15	MailedCheckPayment	-0.350539
16	BankTransferPayment	-0.340157
17	CreditCardPayment	-0.395397
18	MonthlyCharges	0.017708

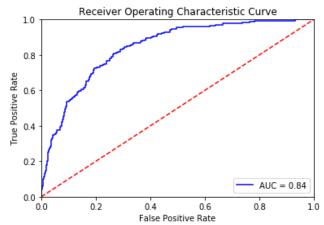
In testing the model, we get an accuracy of 81.13%. This is 31.13% better than chance on average.

Though the accuracy is high, the precision and recall on True Churns could use some improvement and indicate that the model could be adjusted for better results. Having a larger proportion of customers that churned in the training dataset would help a lot and would be easier to get the data for in this situation than many others.

Finally, by calculating the ROC and AUC, we get an AUC of 0.84, which indicates an excellent model relative to chance.

```
In [265]: roc_auc = auc(false_positive_rate, true_positive_rate)
In [266]: roc_auc
Out[266]: 0.8421942493127973
```

roc_curve(y_test, predictions)



FAMD Based Logistic Regression Model

In [271]:	famd.	column_c	orrela	tio	ns (i	Eamd_	df)						
Out[271]:					0		1		2		3	4	
	(OneYearCont	ract 0	.121		0.184							_
		OnlineSec	urity C	.393	211	0.10	3995	-0.38	9110	0.079	937	0.055341	
	BankT	ransferPaym	nent 0	.170	907	0.19	6701	-0.164	1094	-0.121	275	-0.125411	
	Maile	dCheckPaym	nent -0	.393	740	0.03	7719	0.397	7323	-0.194	282	-0.186250	
	1	PaperlessBil	ling 0	.244	976	-0.23	2041	-0.25	1903	0.316	004	0.309229	
		SeniorCit	zen 0	.160	099	-0.13	3385	-0.16	5643	0.186	766	0.185383	
	F	iberOpticSer	vice 0	.548	373	-0.51	1973	-0.57	1199	0.701	783	0.712974	
		Par	tner 0	.287	750	0.28	865	-0.27	5241	-0.166	686	-0.152204	
	Cre	ditCardPaym	nent 0	.156	499	0.19	5271	-0.149	9484	-0.122	166	-0.130665	
		Depende	ents 0	.015	837	0.22	5284	-0.004	1727	-0.213	484	-0.195332	
		DeviceProtec	tion 0	.539	898	0.00	9307	-0.539	9978	0.223	947	0.202365	
In [272]:	famd_ famd_	x = famd	trans	for	m(fa	amd_x	_tra	ain)					
	1144	-0.658755	-0.483	233	1.35	9564	0.2	48222	-0.4	32911			
	4867	1.347853	-0.716	199	0.00	4795	-0.2	55215	0.38	87264			
	4793	1.789362	-0.263	440	0.18	3534	-0.0	37310	-0.00	05700			
	5304	0.151471	-0.704	028	0.57	7791	-0.4	10748	0.2	69204			
	6192	0.395527	-0.824	545	0.49	5055	-0.2	82386	-0.38	82560			
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	905	0.977050											
		-0.139433											
	3980	1.473054											
		-0.216571											
	515/	0.660279	-0.213	500	1.20	9990	0.74	499/8	0.0	99/05			
	6338 r	ows × 5 co	lumns										

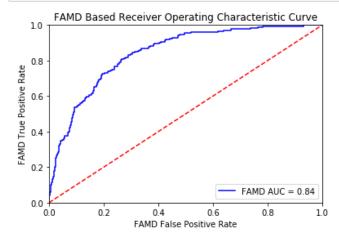
This regression will be fitted with the FAMD transformed version of the training split data instead of the base split.

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In [273]: famd regression = LogisticRegression()
          famd regression.fit(famd x, famd y train)
Out[273]: LogisticRegression(C=1.0, class weight=None, dual=False, fit intercept=True,
                             intercept scaling=1, 11 ratio=None, max iter=100,
                             multi_class='warn', n_jobs=None, penalty='12',
                             random state=None, solver='warn', tol=0.0001, verbose=0,
                             warm start=False)
In [274]: famd_regression.coef_
Out[274]: array([[-0.14499965, -1.7984952 , 0.05868958, -0.68208019, -0.50552033]])
In [275]: famd accuracy = famd regression.score(famd.transform(famd x test), famd y test)
          famd accuracy
          <
Out[275]: 0.8
In [276]: famd_predictions = regression.predict(famd_x_test)
          famd actual = famd y test
In [277]: famd_confusion = confusion_matrix(famd_actual, famd_predictions)
          famd_confusion
Out[277]: array([[479, 54],
                 [ 79, 93]], dtype=int64)
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In [278]: famd_precision = precision_score(famd_actual, famd_predictions)
          famd precision
Out[278]: 0.6326530612244898
          Notice that the results are exactly the same as the model trained on the base dataset.
In [279]: print(classification report(famd actual, famd predictions))
                        precision recall f1-score support
                                                         533
                          0.86 0.90 0.88
0.63 0.54 0.58
                 False
                  True
                                                            172
                                                           705
                                                 0.81
              accuracy
                                                          705
                        0.75 0.72 0.73
0.80 0.81 0.81
             macro avg
                                                         705
          weighted avg
In [280]: famd_probabilities = regression.predict_proba(famd_x_test)
          famd_predictions = famd_probabilities[:,1]
In [281]: famd_false_positive_rate, famd_true_positive_rate, famd_threshold =\
             roc_curve(famd_y_test, famd_predictions)
          Finally, by calculating the ROC and AUC, we get an AUC of 0.84, exactly the same as before.
In [282]: famd roc auc = auc(famd false positive rate, famd true positive rate)
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In [283]: famd_roc_auc

Out[283]: 0.8421942493127973



There are many data mining methods to explore and analyze data, but they all have various requirements of the data in order to successfully and meaningful do. For this dataset. FAMD was chosen as a descriptive method. This dataset and the scenario around it required the dependent variable, the Churn column, to be Boolean in nature. This means that predictive methods are going to naturally focus on classification. Additionally, the independent variables are 16 nominal categorical variables and 3 continuous quantitative variables. After cleaning, 13 categorical and 2 quantitative independent variables remained for data mining. While there are 2 continuous variables, clustering techniques would not work well on this dataset because of the number of significant categorical variables. Association analysis may have been used, but the ultimate goal was to specifically examine the interactions between the numerous categorical variables to find trends in customer churn and not just what tends to be grouped together.

This naturally led to using MCA to examine the similarities and differences that the various variables had on the variance of the data. Plotting the results of the MCA gives a chart that showed how close the variables were in relation to each other on the primary 2 factors of the dataset. From there, it was a simple jump to FAMD in order to also include the effects of the 2 continuous variables and then use the results as a form of dimensionality reduction for the predictive modeling that followed.

For a predictive method, logistic regression was chosen for a few reasons. One of the main reasons was the ease and simplicity of creating, interpreting, and integrating the model into future projects. The coefficients that it creates are a simple way to compare the effects of the various parameters at play in a classification, and it's very easy to calculate the classification with the model, even by hand. The number of categorical variables are simple to integrate into the predictive model through dummy variables, but still allow for the easy integration of the continuous variables into the equation. Finally, the classification it gives for any customer put into it are based on the probability that a customer will churn, which is more applicable to the given context and scenario that a clean classification like LDA gives while not requiring as many assumptions about the dataset. Decision trees may have been another good choice, but this was ultimately a predictive classification task and not just a prediction task. Logistic regression results in a model that is far easier to examine the relationship between the variables with whereas a decision tree is much harder to form conclusions with.

Different types of information require different types of visualization. The distribution of continuous variables was performed using histograms and box plots were used to visualize their IQRs and to look for outliers as these two charts are exclusively for this type of data. For the distribution of the categorical variables, bar charts were used. Humans are significantly better at judging length than area, and bar charts are better for showing proportion than pie charts because of this.

For the bivariate relations, the categorical variables were visualized with simple contingency charts. The relationship between these independent variables and their binary dependent variable are the simplest of bivariate relations and the information can be readily absorbed by the reader in the spatially organized text format that a contingency chart is displayed using. Bar, pie, and mosaic plots were all considered, but all seemed to overcomplicate the presentation. Furthermore, two contingency charts were created for each relationship, with the second displaying the normalized proportion percentages instead of the raw numbers like the first for ease of lookup. For the non-binary categorical variables, bar charts were used to plot the frequency of each possibility, grouped by categorical value for simple comparison.

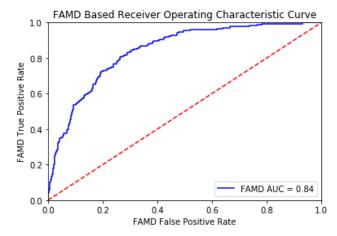
The continuous variable bivariate relations are visualized through Seaborn's distplot function, which overlays a histogram of the data with a kernel density estimate. The dataframe is divided by the Churn column, and for each continuous column, both dataframes' distributions via histograms are superimposed for direct comparison. The histograms are easy to compare by relative area and the plotted KDEs make it easy to follow the trend across the x-axis. Finally, outside of the distributions of the bivariate relations, a heatmap was used to visualize the correlation coefficient matrix of the dataset. Color-coding the coefficients make it extremely easy to pick out the extremes even when a total of 484 coefficients need to be considered.

Visualizing the data mining methods is a more complicated process, but this leaves less to be considered when selecting methods. As MCA, PCA, and FAMD are all forms of factor analysis, scree plots were the most natural choice for examining the inertia of the calculated eigenvectors for the dataset and were used to visually conceptualize this information. The columns and rows were visualized by their contributions to the factor calculated by these methods, and this was particularly useful for examining the MCA results in order to see the relative similarities and differences in variance contribution that each column gives.

Finally, ROCs were used to visualize the effectiveness of the created predictive models. These are among the simplest to look at and understand visually, and they pair naturally with the AUC for a numeric calculation of effectiveness. ROC AUC is also an expected pairing with logistic regression.

IV: Data Summary

Aside from the results of the correlation analysis throughout the report, the most decisive proof of discrimination in this analysis is the results of the ROC AUC and the measures of precision, recall, and accuracy that the predictive model built from these discrimination rules achieves. If the analysis was not discriminating, the model would not be significantly better than chance at predicting the dependent variable than chance.



As we can see here, the model (the blue curve) performs 34% better than chance (the diagonal red line). The classifications that produce this are calculated with the regression coefficients below.

Out[257]:

	Column	Coefficient
0	SeniorCitizen	0.226809
1	Partner	-0.004409
2	Dependents	-0.113759
3	Tenure	-0.798500
4	MultipleLines	0.208983
5	FiberOpticService	1.683634
6	DSLService	0.886713
7	OnlineSecurity	-0.402868
8	OnlineBackup	-0.098059
9	DeviceProtection	0.033634
10	TechSupport	-0.308911
11	StreamingMovies	0.379436
12	OneYearContract	-0.667590
13	TwoYearContract	-1.366201
14	PaperlessBilling	0.335898
15	MailedCheckPayment	-0.350539
16	BankTransferPayment	-0.340157
17	CreditCardPayment	-0.395397
18	MonthlyCharges	0.017708

It's this list of coefficients that show the detection of the phenomena that needed to be found and prompted this analysis. Here we see what factors are most associated with customer churn and from there we can infer what is most likely causing customers to churn. As a 1 indicates a positive customer churn, the positive coefficients are the ones that push the probability closer to churn, and the negative coefficients push the probability closer to not churning.

The biggest issue is with customers with FiberOpticService. It is over twice as influential on the probability of churn than the second highest, DSLService. The combination of these two show that the Internet services of this telecommunications business are the areas that need the most attention. Beyond that, customers that pay for Streaming Movies, and TV based on correlation that caused an interaction requiring the second to be removed from the model, are at the next highest risk of churn. Finally, customers enrolled in paperless billing, senior citizens, and customers with multiple phone lines are also groups to pay attention to.

The first method used for detecting interactions was examining the contingency tables with chi-squared tests to determine whether or not their values are independent or not.

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The \chi^2 test does not show significance, so this column will not be examined in more detail later.
In [154]: scs.chi2 contingency(gender contingency)
Out[154]: (0.4840828822091383,
             0.48657873605618596,
             array([[2611.61010933, 943.38989067], [2562.38989067, 925.61010933]]))
           The \chi^2 test shows significance, so this column should be examined in more detail later.
In [157]: scs.chi2 contingency(senior contingency)
Out[157]: (159.42630036838742,
            1.510066805092378e-36,
             array([[4335.05239245, 1565.94760755],
                     [ 838.94760755, 303.05239245]]))
            The \chi^2 test shows significance, so this column should be examined in more detail later.
In [160]: scs.chi2 contingency(partner contingency)
Out[160]: (158.7333820309922,
             2.1399113440759935e-36,
             array([[2674.78830044, 966.21169956],
                     [2499.21169956, 902.78830044]]))
           The \chi^2 test shows significance, so this column should be examined in more detail later.
In [163]: scs.chi2 contingency(dependents contingency)
Out[163]: (189.12924940423474,
             4.9249216612154196e-43,
             array([[3623.93042737, 1309.06957263],
                     [1550.06957263, 559.93042737]]))
           The \chi^2 test does not show significance, so this column will not be examined in more detail later.
In [166]: scs.chi2 contingency(phone contingency)
Out[166]: (0.9150329892546948,
            0.3387825358066928,
            array([[ 501.01774812, 180.98225188],
                    [4672.98225188, 1688.01774812]]))
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The χ^2 test shows significance, so this column should be examined in more detail later. It may be that a greater number of lines increases the probability of churn as a result of the higher cost overall.

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In [184]: scs.chi2 contingency(dev protection contingency)
Out[184]: (30.513394539261306,
            3.315693222362861e-08,
            array([[3394.72582706, 1226.27417294],
                    [1779.27417294, 642.72582706]]))
           The \chi^2 test shows significance, so this column should be examined in more detail later. It appears
           that customers who has a tech support package had a significantly lower churn rate.
In [187]: scs.chi2_contingency(support_contingency)
Out[187]: (190.16684201526067,
            2.9235674453140758e-43,
            array([[3672.4160159, 1326.5839841],
                    [1501.5839841, 542.4160159]]))
           The \chi^2 test shows significance, so this column should be examined in more detail later.
In [190]: scs.chi2_contingency(tv_contingency)
Out[190]: (27.862522274233417,
            1.3024835736732686e-07,
            array([[3185.35624024, 1150.64375976],
                    [1988.64375976, 718.35624024]]))
           The \chi^2 test shows significance, so this column should be examined in more detail later.
In [193]: scs.chi2 contingency(movies contingency)
Out[193]: (26.25133601003847,
            2.9974738476267514e-07,
            array([[3166.99048701, 1144.00951299],
                    [2007.00951299, 724.99048701]]))
In [197]: scs.chi2_contingency(contract_contingency)
Out[197]: (1184.5965720837926,
            5.863038300673391e-258,
            array([[2846.69175067, 1028.30824933],
                    [1082.11018032, 390.88981968],
                    [1245.198069 , 449.801931 ]]))
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The χ^2 test shows significance, so this column should be examined in more detail later. Customers who had been enrolled in paperless billing have a substantial difference in churn rate and should be examined in more detail later.

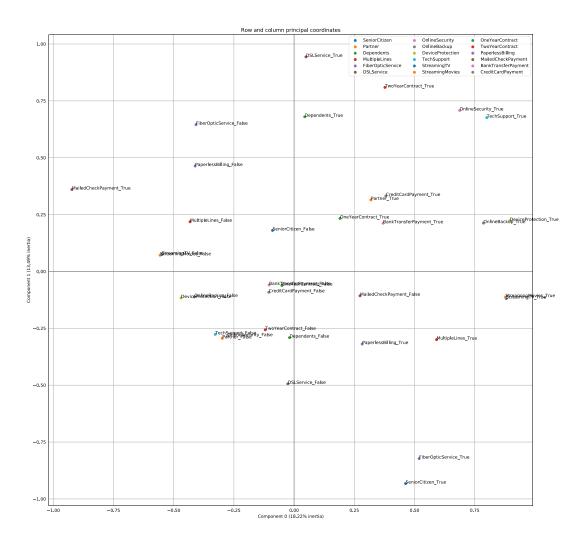
The χ^2 test shows significance, so this column should be examined in more detail later. Customers who had been paying via electronic check have a substantial difference in churn rate and should be examined in much greater detail later.

This process was followed by examining correlation coefficients with a heatmap for any results with a strong enough linear relationship to skew the model like an interaction would. This was the first direct hint at the interaction between Tenure and TotalCharges.

Correlation

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In [215]: sns.heatmap(
                                        df.corr(),
                                        xticklabels = df.columns,
                                        yticklabels = df.columns
Out[215]: <matplotlib.axes. subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x264941859e8>
                                               SeniorCitizen
                                                Partner
Dependents
Tenure
                                                                                                                                                                                - 0.9
                                        MultipleLines
FiberOpticService
DSLService
                                                                                                                                                                                 0.6
                                             OnlineSecurity
OnlineBackup
                                        DeviceProtection
TechSupport
StreamingTV
StreamingMovies
OneYearContract
                                                                                                                                                                                 -0.3
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                               OneYearContract
TwoYearContract
PaperlessBilling
MailedCheckPayment
BankTransferPayment
CreditCardPayment
MonthlyCharges
TotalCharges
                                                                                                                                                                                  -0.3
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FiberOpticService -
DSLService -
OnlineSecurity -
OnlineBackup -
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TechSupport
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This heatmap was followed by the MCA analysis that revealed a pair of columns, StreamingMovies and StreamingTV, that actually overlapped each other on the first 2 principle factors.



Finally, PCA led to a correlation test between all of the continuous variables that showed an interaction between Tenure and TotalCharges that was reducing the accuracy of the logistic model significantly.

The most important predictor variables were detected by these same processes, but also by examining the logistic model's parameter coefficients. The lowest p-value in the chi-squared tests, the most extreme colors in the correlation coefficient heatmap, and the most extreme values in the model coefficients all showed the strongest predictor variables. These show that the strongest positive predictor variables are having Internet service, particularly Fiber optic service,

paying for movie or TV streaming, and being enrolled in paperless billing. Additionally, these also show the strongest negative predictors of churn are having a non-month-to-month contract, particularly a two year contract, having a higher tenure value, paying for an online security package, and having any payment method other than electronic check.

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