



# Predicting future calls to the Customer Service

Application for CRM & VIP Data Scientist

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**How does it help the business?**

# Business context



For efficiency purposes, Betsson is trying to predict which customers are going to call the Customer Service, based on their past behaviour.



For a given day, predict whether a customer will call the Customer Service in the following 14 days.

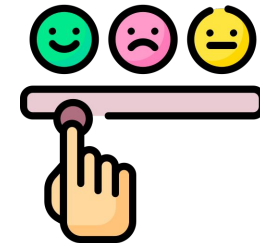
**Why?**



**Optimize** customer relationship



therefore reducing churn



# File delivery structure



project\_folder

## notebooks

- 0-eda.ipynb
- 1-feature-selection.ipynb
- 2-predictive-modeling.ipynb
- pycaret.ipynb

requirements.txt

## GitHub repositories:

- [Project \(main\)](#)
- [Streamlit App](#)
- [FastAPI](#)

## Docker hub (images):

- [Streamlit App](#)
- [FastAPI](#)

## APP/API endpoints:

- App: <https://crm-app.datargs.com>
- FastAPI: <https://crm-app.datargs.com>

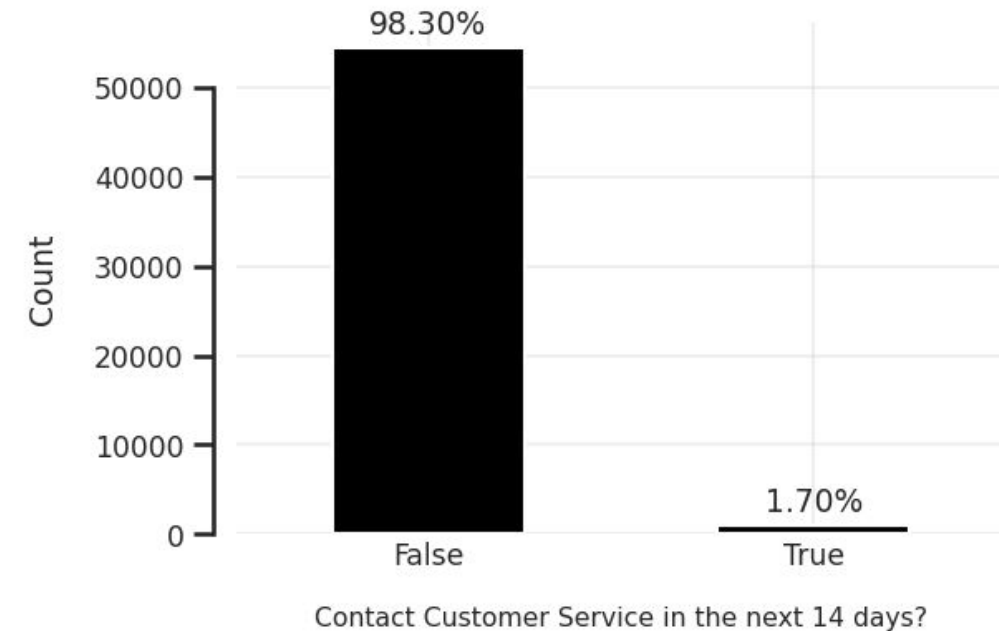
**Note:** these web services were not shared with anyone.  
I can delete them after our interview if necessary :)



**EDA**

# Data quality checks

- No missing values (probably they've been filled with -1)
- No duplicated rows
- Constant & quasi-constant features
- Presence of outliers
- Target imbalance →



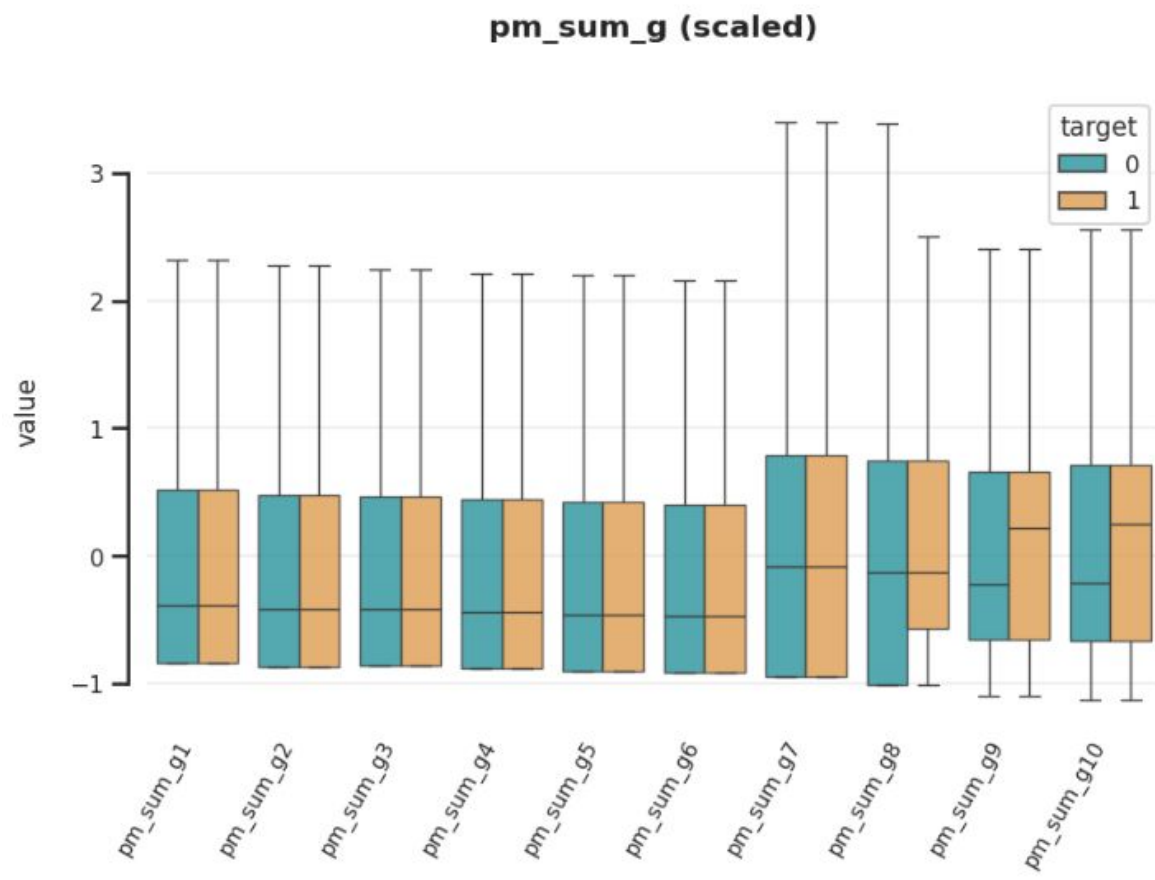
# Statistical Analysis

Example of outliers:

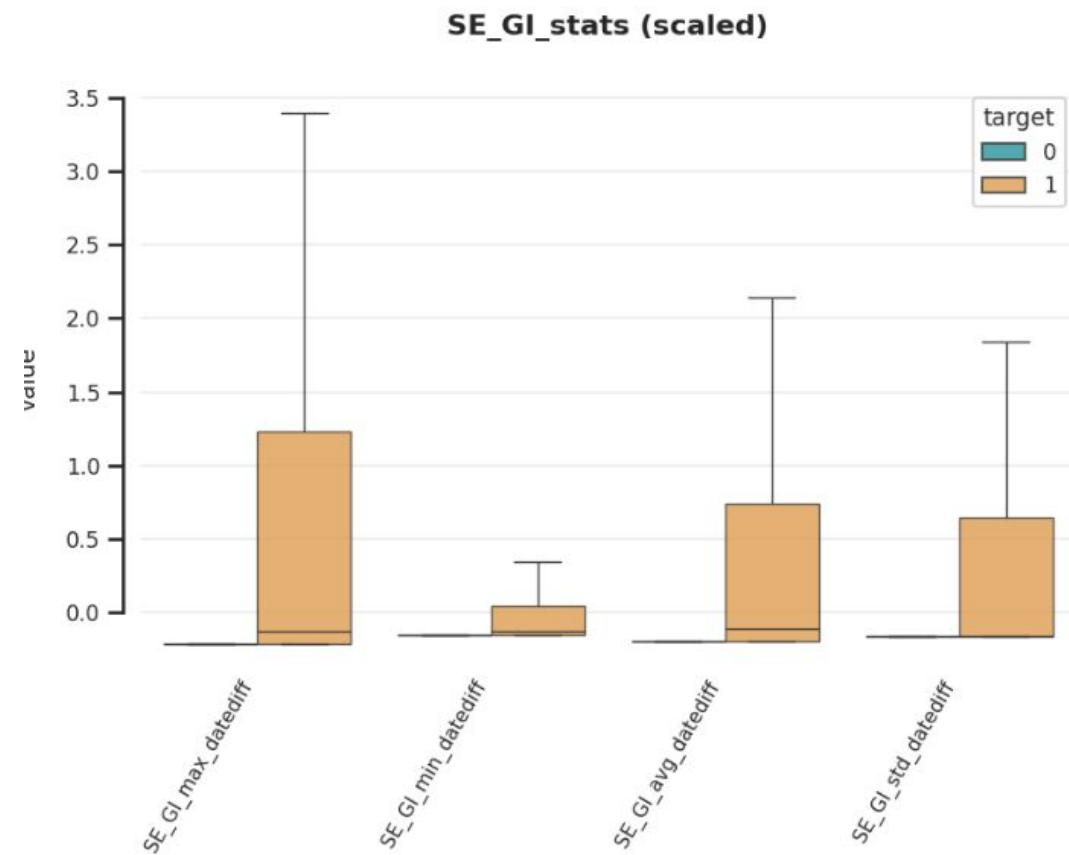
	gw_g8	gw_g7	SE_GI_wrt_days_70days	mar_g3	bon_wrt_succdep_g8	unsucc_dep_g8	SB_to_g8	gw_g2	SB_to_g7	with_sum_g8
count	55415.000000	55415.000000	55415.000000	55415.000000	55415.000000	55415.000000	5.541500e+04	55415.000000	5.541500e+04	55415.000000
mean	-86.992825	-85.059200	0.000018	-0.092597	0.971746	173.537111	4.237183e+02	-91.566777	3.586638e+02	222.618962
std	2582.774584	2532.532325	0.004248	2.330595	32.793466	4083.854676	8.789732e+03	1517.749186	6.627518e+03	2465.312225
min	-163365.400000	-85766.660000	0.000000	-0.999800	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000e+00	-176602.780000	0.000000e+00	0.000000
25%	-103.864700	-100.050000	0.000000	-0.202600	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000e+00	-85.464550	0.000000e+00	0.000000
50%	-14.950000	-11.600000	0.000000	-0.024500	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000e+00	-3.100000	0.000000e+00	0.000000
75%	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.053100	30.000000	4.826810e+01	0.000000	2.266515e+01	65.000000
99%	1378.881476	1304.765296	0.000000	0.814158	16.044000	2758.542340	6.758736e+03	1199.805400	6.206709e+03	3362.277996
99.5%	2372.264353	2463.224288	0.000000	1.289123	32.545768	4639.725315	1.188462e+04	2235.062937	1.066179e+04	5379.028963
max	478379.799800	513582.087500	1.000000	541.421200	7152.580000	887001.000000	1.853940e+06	142312.570000	1.350032e+06	479756.089000

# Statistical Analysis

Example of non-informative features

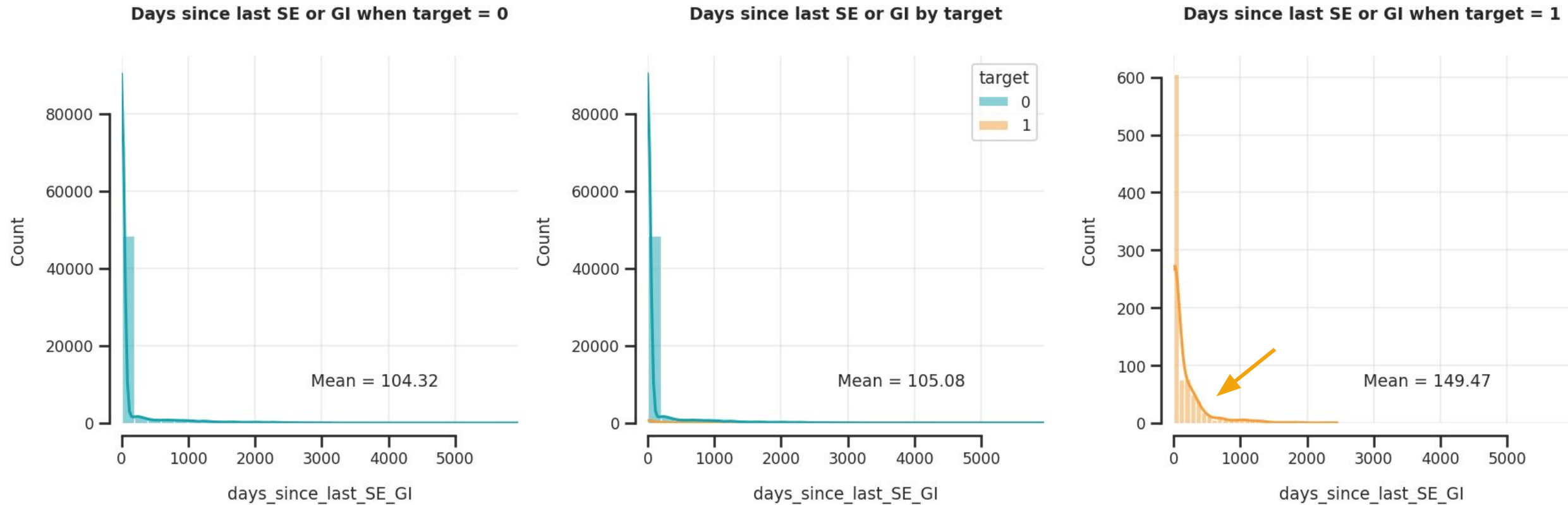


Example of informative features





# Statistical Analysis



Example of feature with potential impact to the model

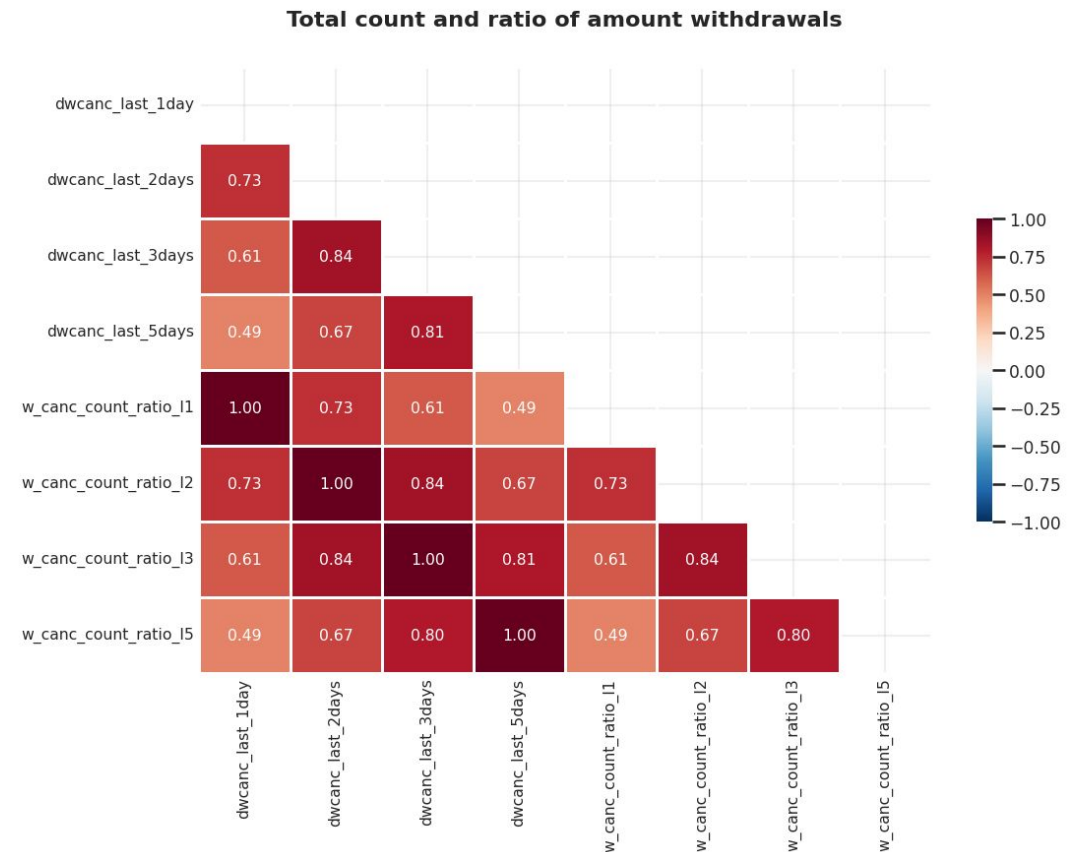
# Statistical Analysis

## Mann–Whitney U test:

- 198 statistically significant features
- 69 non-statistically significant features

## Spearman correlation:

- Many features are highly correlated (multicollinearity)



# Statistical Analysis

## Chi2 test:

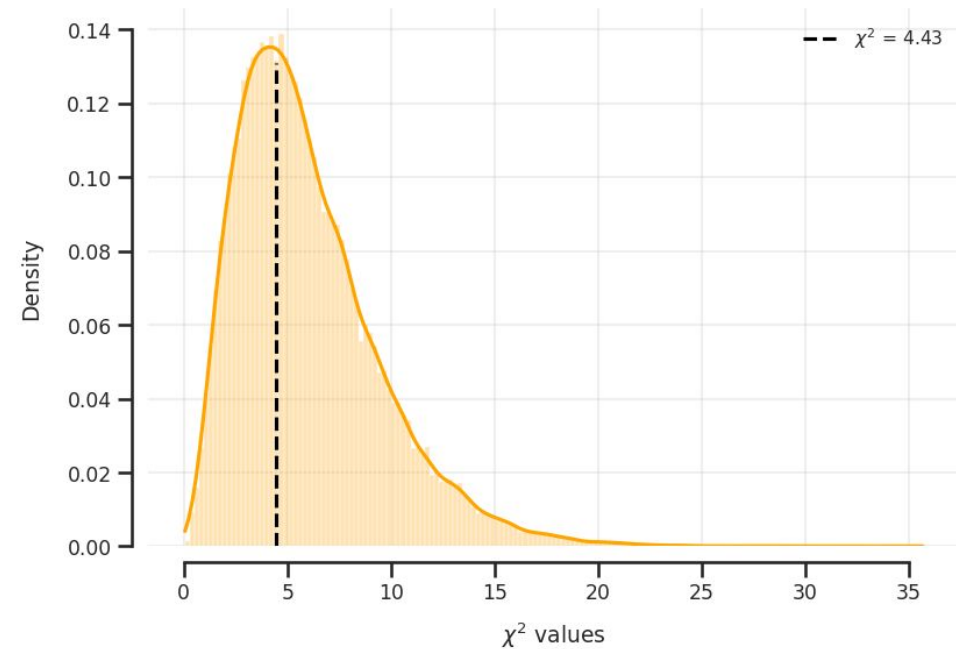
- The country feature **is not** associated with our target

country vs target			country vs target		
Observed values			Expected values under independent-association hypothesis		
country	target = 0	target = 1	country	target = 0	target = 1
France	26795 48%	481 1%	France	26813 (26588 - 27048) 48% (48% - 49%)	463 (434 - 491) 1% (1% - 1%)
Germany	10826 20%	180 0%	Germany	10819 (10637 - 11003) 20% (19% - 20%)	187 (175 - 198) 0% (0% - 0%)
Greece	242 0%	7 0%	Greece	245 (214 - 275) 0% (0% - 0%)	4 (4 - 5) 0% (0% - 0%)
Italy	5513 10%	93 0%	Italy	5511 (5372 - 5644) 10% (10% - 10%)	95 (89 - 101) 0% (0% - 0%)
Malta	5578 10%	84 0%	Malta	5566 (5426 - 5708) 10% (10% - 10%)	96 (90 - 102) 0% (0% - 0%)
Portugal	52 0%	1 0%	Portugal	52 (38 - 66) 0% (0% - 0%)	1 (1 - 1) 0% (0% - 0%)
Spain	5468 10%	95 0%	Spain	5469 (5333 - 5612) 10% (10% - 10%)	94 (88 - 101) 0% (0% - 0%)

## Proportion of customers calling Customer Service is country-independent

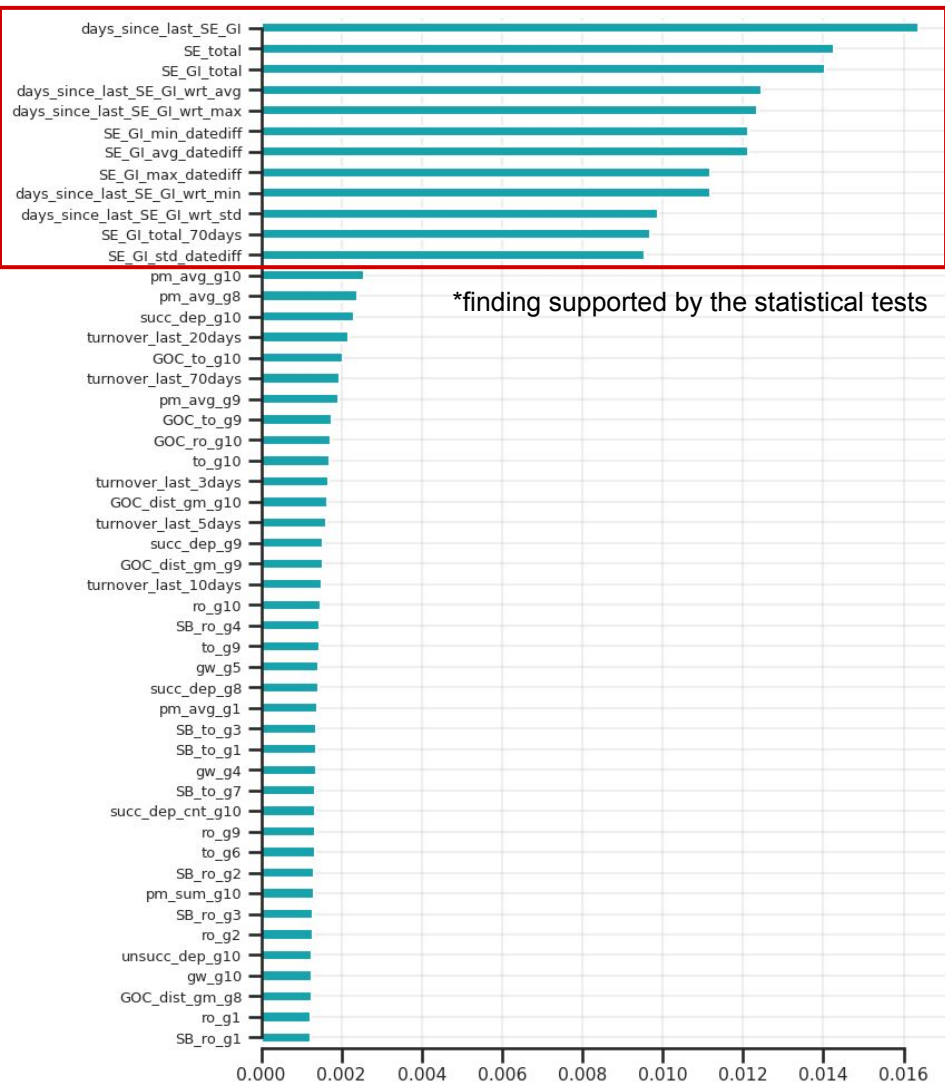
Theoretical  $\chi^2$  distribution vs observed statistic

$$P(X > 4.43) = 0.6185$$



# Statistical Analysis

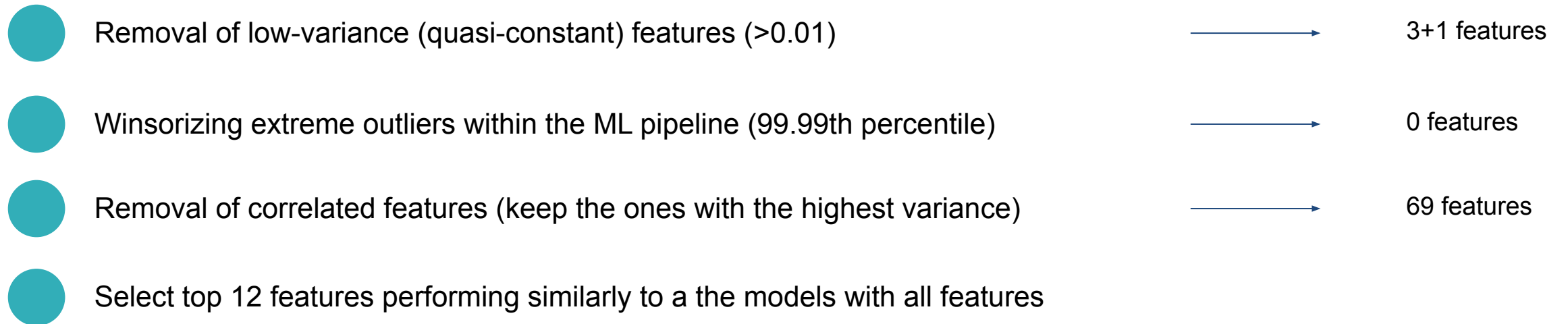
## Mutual Information (MI) scores:



\*finding supported by the statistical tests

According to the mutual information (MI) scores and statistical tests, features related to Gambling issues and self-exclusion might be important to predict if the the customer will or will not call the customer service.

# Feature Selection





# Predictive Modeling

# Model Selection

Test models with default parameters and all variables results in poor recall or accuracy:

	Model	Accuracy	AUC	Recall	Prec.	F1	FPR	FNR	AUC-PR	TT (Sec)
<b>nb</b>	Naive Bayes	0.1629	0.6843	0.9078	0.0181	0.0355	0.8500	0.0922	0.4637	1.0200
<b>qda</b>	Quadratic Discriminant Analysis	0.2420	0.5458	0.8511	0.0188	0.0367	0.7685	0.1489	0.4362	1.7300
<b>lda</b>	Linear Discriminant Analysis	0.9739	0.7765	0.2624	0.2467	0.2543	0.0138	0.7376	0.2608	1.8600
<b>dt</b>	Decision Tree Classifier	0.9670	0.5755	0.1702	0.1326	0.1491	0.0192	0.8298	0.1584	16.1600
<b>ada</b>	Ada Boost Classifier	0.9829	0.8056	0.0851	0.4800	0.1446	0.0016	0.9149	0.2903	30.3500
<b>lightgbm</b>	Light Gradient Boosting Machine	0.9827	0.8263	0.0851	0.4444	0.1429	0.0018	0.9149	0.2725	2.3200
<b>gbc</b>	Gradient Boosting Classifier	0.9820	0.8449	0.0780	0.3548	0.1279	0.0024	0.9220	0.2242	162.8400
<b>xgboost</b>	Extreme Gradient Boosting	0.9832	0.8065	0.0674	0.5429	0.1199	0.0010	0.9326	0.3130	1.6800
<b>catboost</b>	CatBoost Classifier	0.9831	0.8479	0.0603	0.5152	0.1079	0.0010	0.9397	0.2957	33.1800
<b>ridge</b>	Ridge Classifier	0.9835	0.5281	0.0567	0.6667	0.1046	0.0005	0.9433	0.3697	1.0200
<b>rf</b>	Random Forest Classifier	0.9833	0.7896	0.0142	1.0000	0.0280	0.0000	0.9858	0.5155	7.7300
<b>et</b>	Extra Trees Classifier	0.9830	0.7849	0.0035	0.5000	0.0070	0.0001	0.9965	0.2602	3.4800
<b>lr</b>	Logistic Regression	0.9806	0.5092	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0025	1.0000	0.0085	17.4100
<b>knn</b>	K Neighbors Classifier	0.9829	0.5203	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0002	1.0000	0.0085	0.8800
<b>svm</b>	SVM - Linear Kernel	0.9806	0.4988	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0024	1.0000	0.0085	1.6100
<b>dummy</b>	Dummy Classifier	0.9830	0.5000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	1.0000	0.5085	0.8200



# Model Selection

I wanted to optimize:

- Recall >70%
- Accuracy >70%
- ROC-AUC > 80%

Trade-off = lower precision

Models with basic preprocessing, training set resample, and all features, provided better results:

	Model	Accuracy	AUC	Recall	Prec.	F1	FPR	FNR	AUC-PR	TT (Sec)
svm	SVM - Linear Kernel	0.3881	0.5912	0.8014	0.0219	0.0425	0.6190	0.1986	0.4133	8.9200
et	Extra Trees Classifier	0.7711	0.8135	0.7128	0.0512	0.0955	0.2279	0.2872	0.3844	9.0900
catboost	CatBoost Classifier	0.8075	0.8310	0.7128	0.0605	0.1116	0.1908	0.2872	0.3891	31.2400
xgboost	Extreme Gradient Boosting	0.7815	0.8206	0.7092	0.0533	0.0992	0.2173	0.2908	0.3837	9.1900
dt	Decision Tree Classifier	0.6811	0.6915	0.7021	0.0366	0.0695	0.3192	0.2979	0.3719	9.1500
lightgbm	Light Gradient Boosting Machine	0.8002	0.8301	0.6950	0.0571	0.1055	0.1980	0.3050	0.3787	9.6500
gbc	Gradient Boosting Classifier	0.8218	0.8331	0.6915	0.0635	0.1163	0.1760	0.3085	0.3801	13.3700
rf	Random Forest Classifier	0.8225	0.8293	0.6809	0.0629	0.1151	0.1751	0.3191	0.3746	9.2100
ada	Ada Boost Classifier	0.7719	0.7895	0.6702	0.0486	0.0906	0.2263	0.3298	0.3622	9.8300
lr	Logistic Regression	0.7402	0.7391	0.6489	0.0416	0.0781	0.2582	0.3511	0.3482	9.5600
lda	Linear Discriminant Analysis	0.7428	0.7029	0.5816	0.0379	0.0712	0.2544	0.4184	0.3133	8.9400
ridge	Ridge Classifier	0.7444	0.6626	0.5780	0.0380	0.0712	0.2528	0.4220	0.3116	9.0100
qda	Quadratic Discriminant Analysis	0.7183	0.6693	0.5390	0.0323	0.0609	0.2787	0.4610	0.2896	8.9600
knn	K Neighbors Classifier	0.6592	0.6197	0.5106	0.0254	0.0484	0.3382	0.4894	0.2722	9.0700
nb	Naive Bayes	0.8346	0.6823	0.3794	0.0399	0.0722	0.1576	0.6206	0.2149	8.9300
dummy	Dummy Classifier	0.9830	0.5000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	1.0000	0.5085	8.9000

## Experiment setup

```
# Instantiate experiment
exp = ClassificationExperiment()

# Default experiment setup
exp.setup(
    df, target='target',
    fix_imbalance=True,
    fix_imbalance_method='RandomUnderSampler',
    normalize=True,
    normalize_method='robust',
    remove_multicollinearity=True,
    multicollinearity_threshold=0.9,
    low_variance_threshold=0.01,
    remove_outliers=False,
    feature_selection=False,
    use_gpu=True,
    session_id=42
)

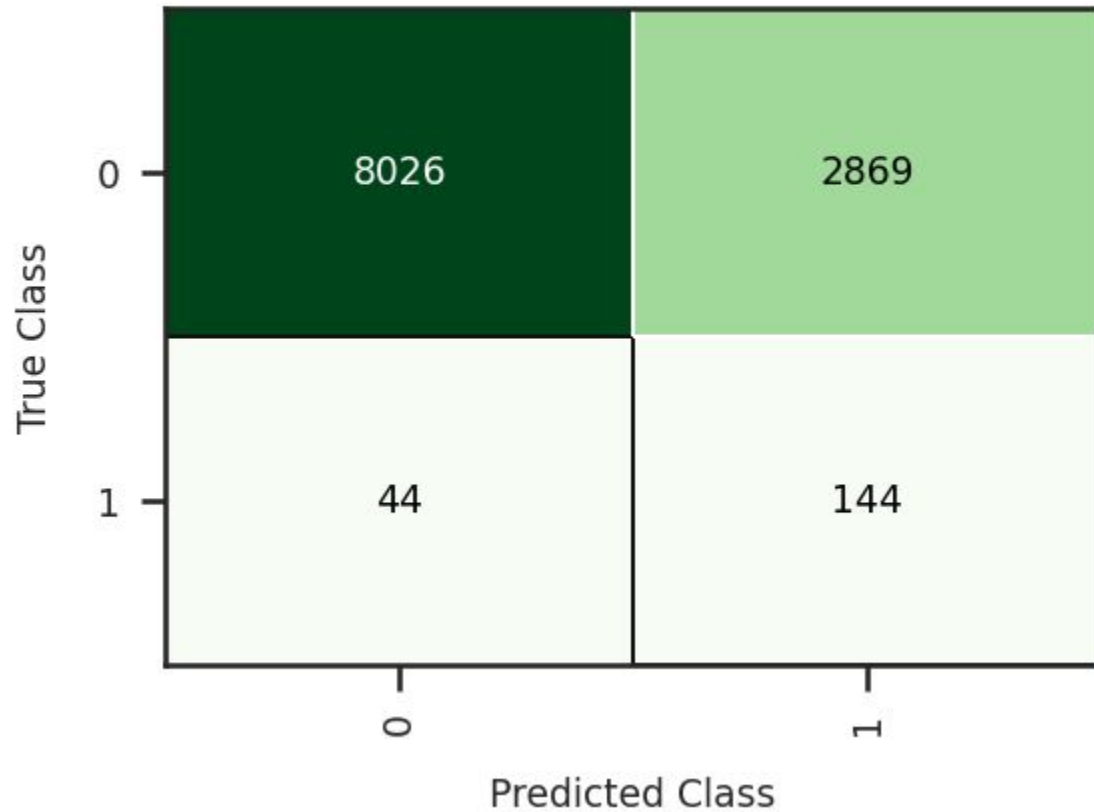
# Set custom metrics
set_custom_metrics(exp)

# Compare available models
best = exp.compare_models(sort='recall', cross_validation=False)
```

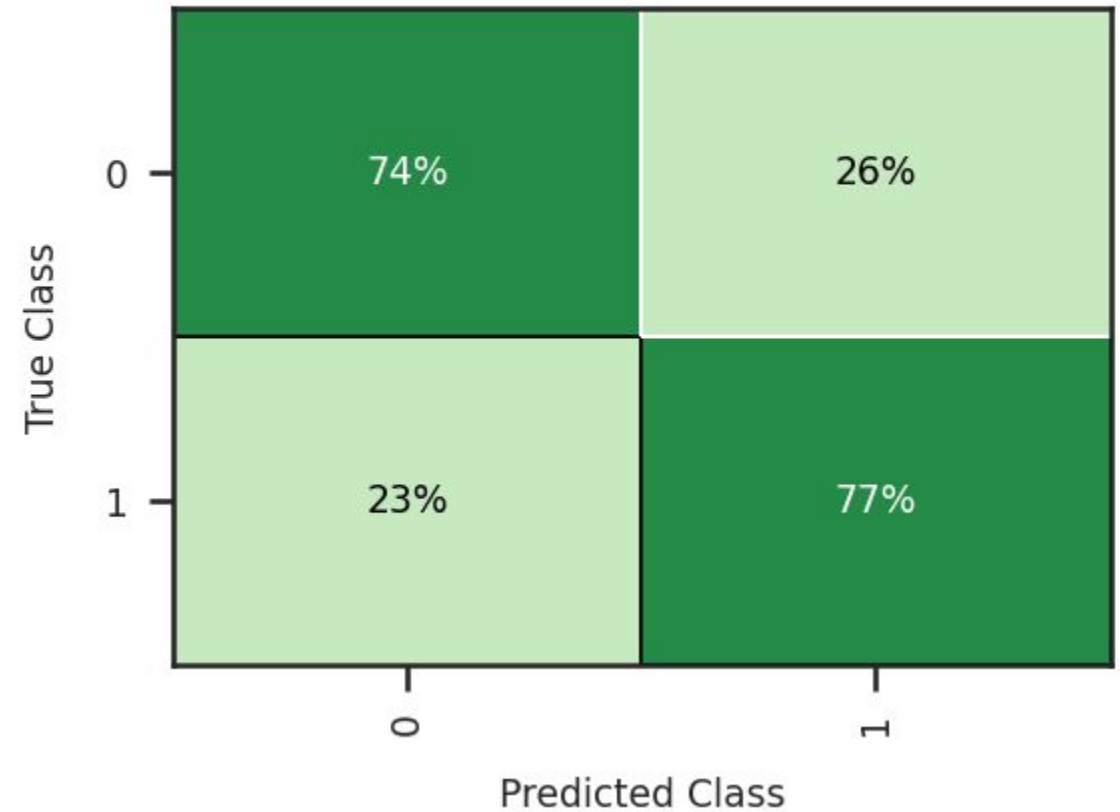


# Model evaluation

Pipeline Confusion Matrix

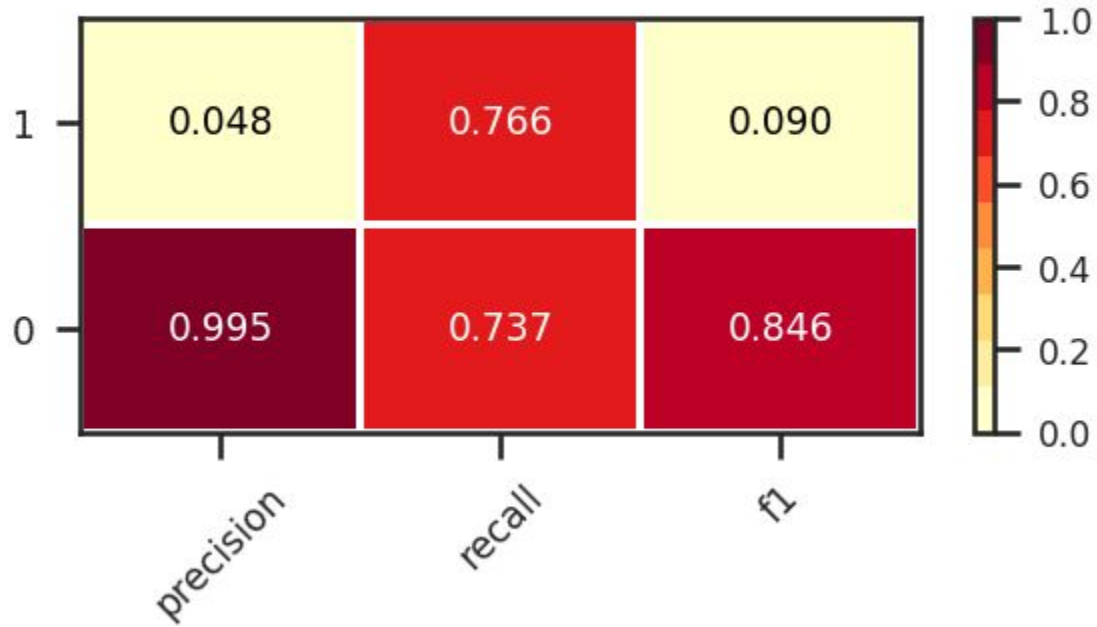


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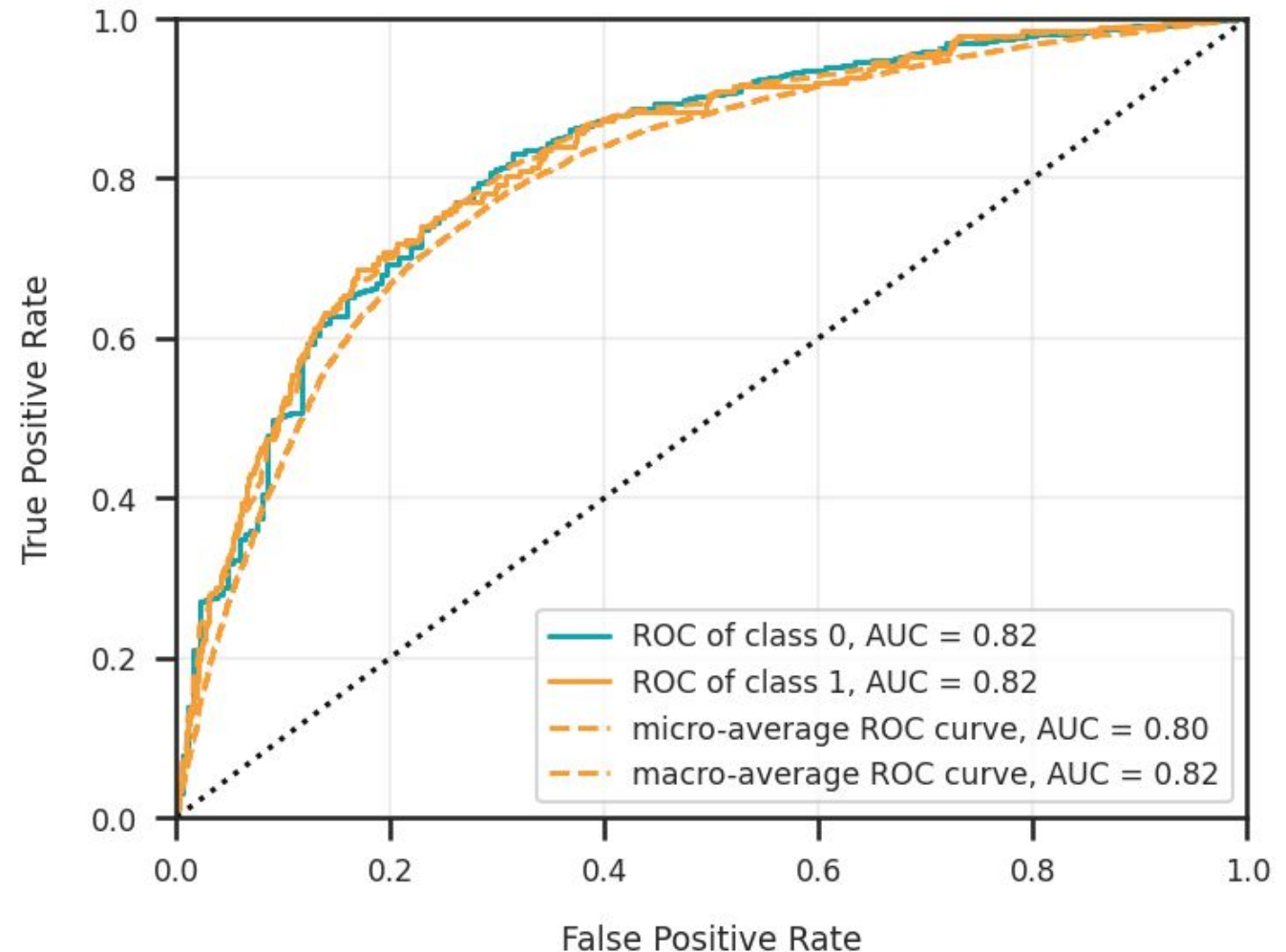


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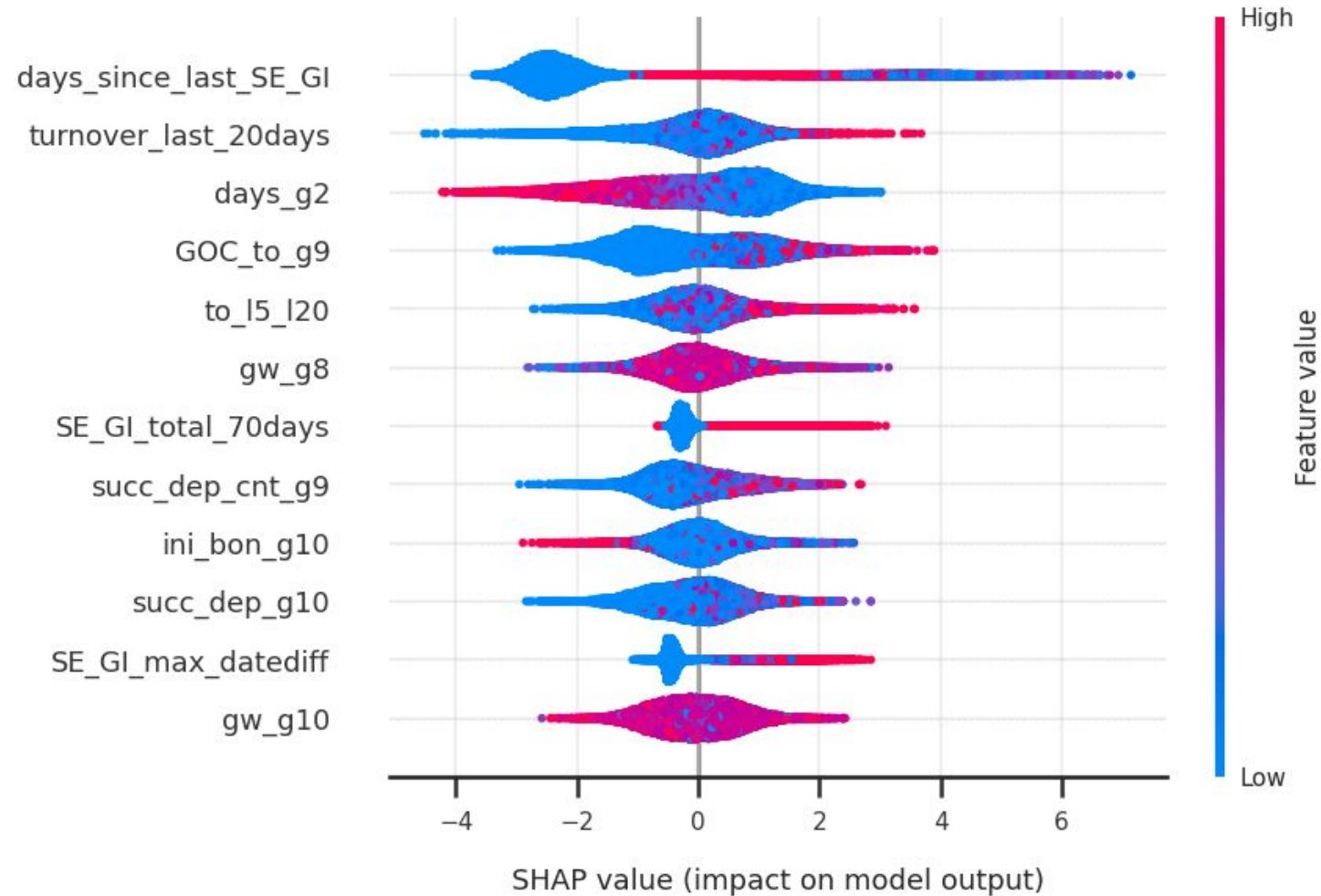
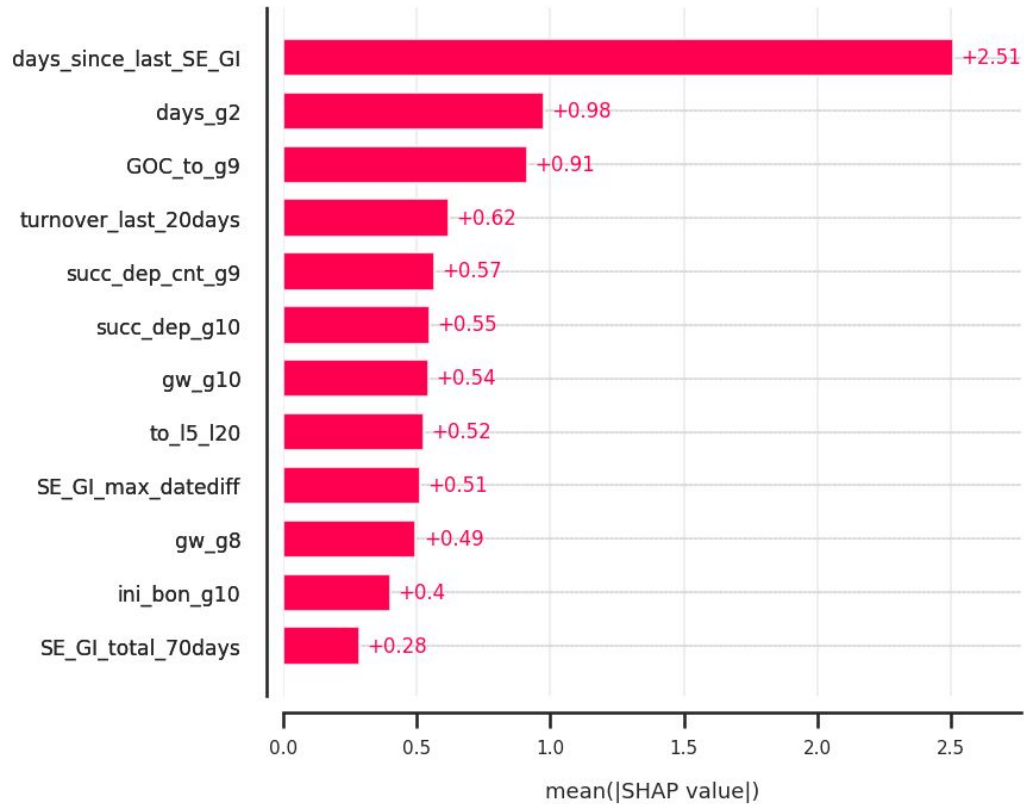
Pipeline Classification Report



ROC Curves for Pipeline

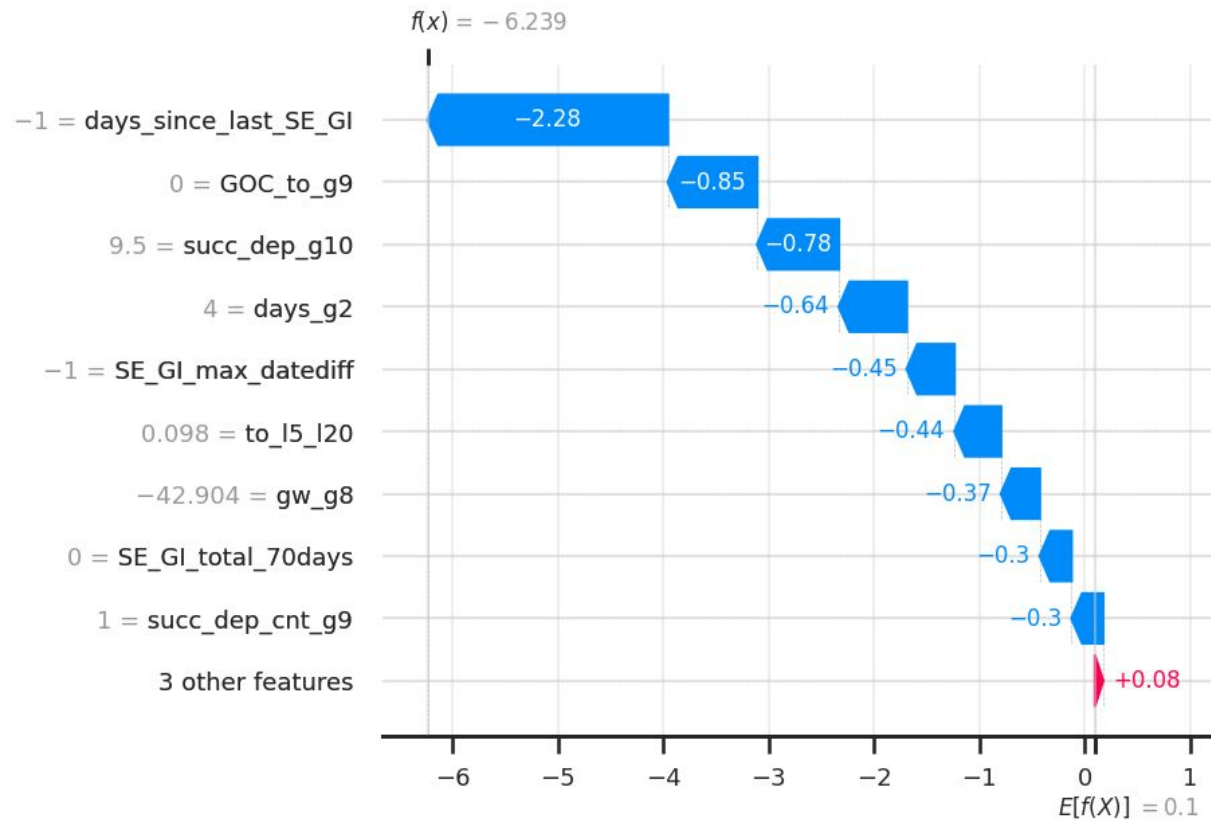


# Model Interpretation

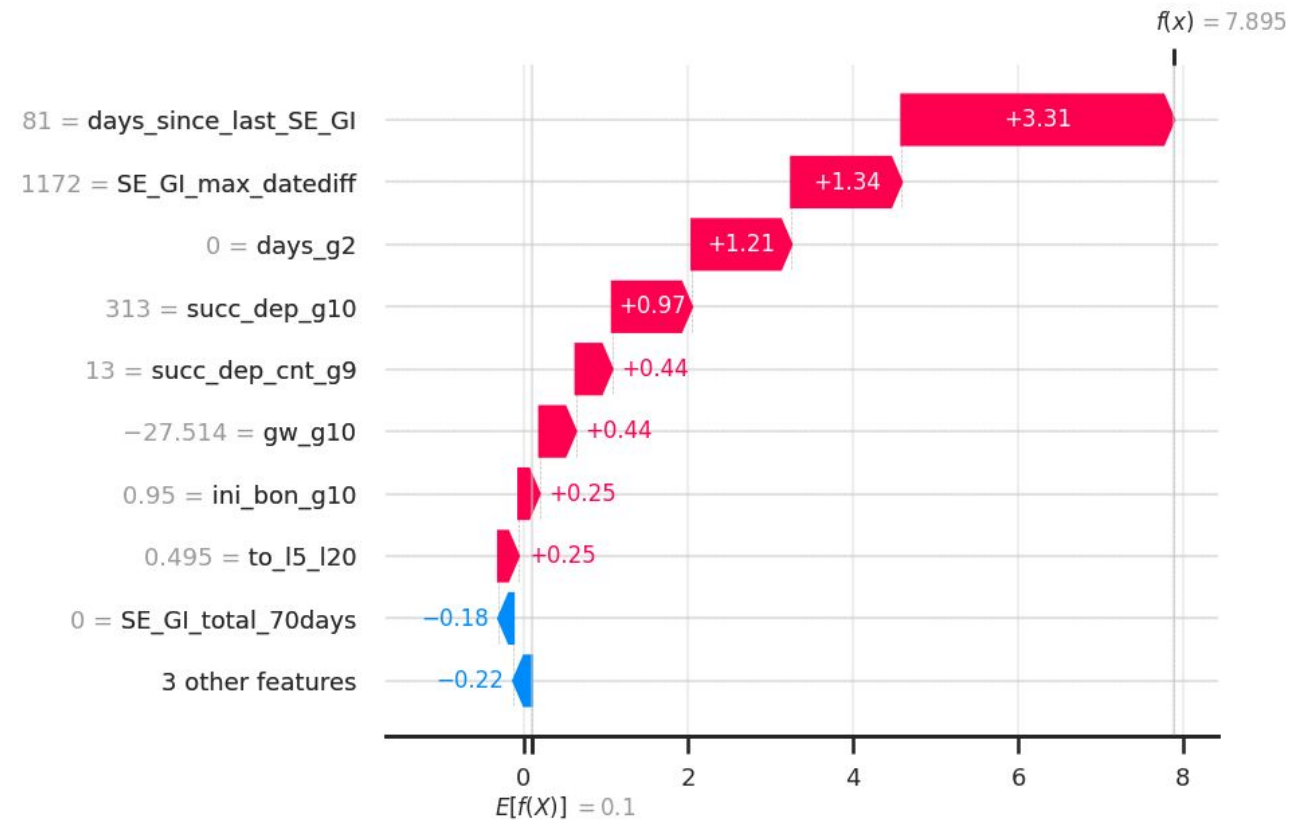


# Model Interpretation

Customer did not call customer service



Customer called customer service





**Business alignment**

# Will this model be used in production?

## It depends!

- How much do we earn by contacting a customer?
- What's the intervention action cost?
- What about resources allocation?

## Possible improvements:

- Brainstorming and collection of meaningful features
- Extensive hyperparameter tuning on new models
- Smarter feature selection using forward/backward selection

**Note:** Perhaps the customers who didn't contact Customer Service, who have features similar to those who contacted them, would benefit from a contact as well.

Pipeline Confusion Matrix

True Class	0	1
0	8026	2869
1	44	144
Predicted Class		

Cost?



Earnings?



↑ CLV

↓ Churn



# Model Deployment

# Model Deployment

- API on Oracle Cloud with a custom domain: [crm-api.datargs.com](https://crm-api.datargs.com)
- Streamlit App on Oracle Cloud with a custom domain: [crm-api.datargs.com](https://crm-api.datargs.com)



## Customer Service Prediction

### Business Problem

For efficiency purposes, Betsson is trying to predict which customers are going to call the Customer Service, based on their past behaviour.

### Analytical problem

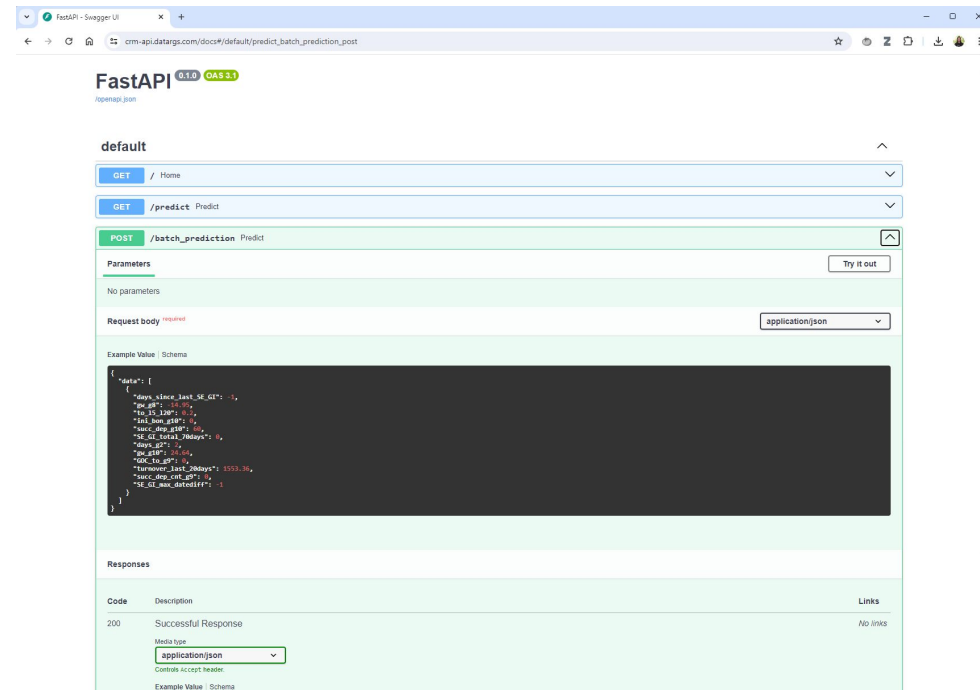
For a given day, predict whether a customer will call the Customer Service in the following 14 days.

### Feature catalog

## What if prediction

days\_since\_last\_SE\_GI      days\_g2

-1      2







# FastAPI

/openapi.json

## default

GET	/ Home	✓
GET	/predict Predict	✓
POST	/batch_prediction Predict	☑

## Schemas

Customer > Expand all object

CustomerList > Expand all object

HTTPValidationError > Expand all object

ValidationError > Expand all object



Thank you!