

Financial Customer Inquiries Project

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Problem Statement

- High volume of customer inquiries requiring efficient handling.
- Unstructured text data in customer interactions.
- No automated categorization, leading to inefficiencies.
- Need for data-driven insights to improve service.

Agenda

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Key Insights

- Dataset with the size of 157,229
- Include customer interactions in the banking industry

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Approach and Methodology

- Data Preprocessing
- Embedding Generation
- Clustering
- Keyword Extraction

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Model Performance

- Classification Models
- Hyperparameter Tuning
- Best Performing Model

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Challenges and recommendations

- High Similarity Between Inquiries
- Training Time for Large Embeddings

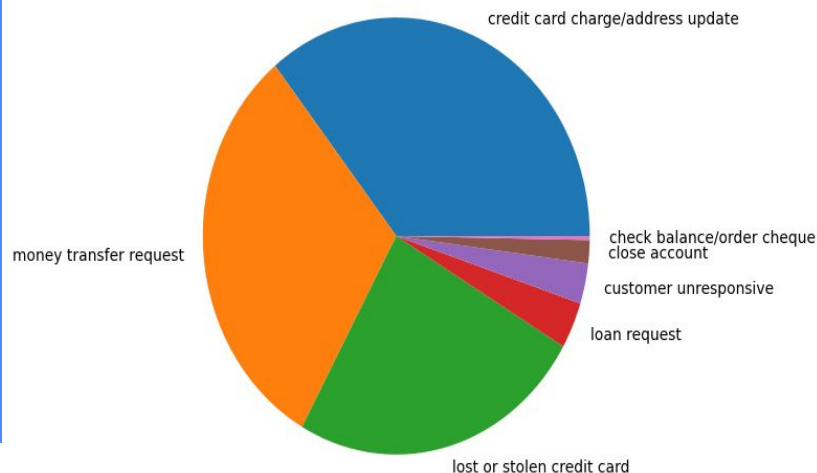
Key Insights

- Customer support receives a high volume of recurring inquiries, showing opportunities for automation.
- Customer inquiries can be categorized into 7 key topics, which can help optimize response workflows.
- Many inquiries share common themes, meaning related topics could be grouped or automated more efficiently.
- Certain topics require more agent attention, while others could be handled with self-service solutions.
- Dimensionality reduction helps refine clustering and improves topic separation.

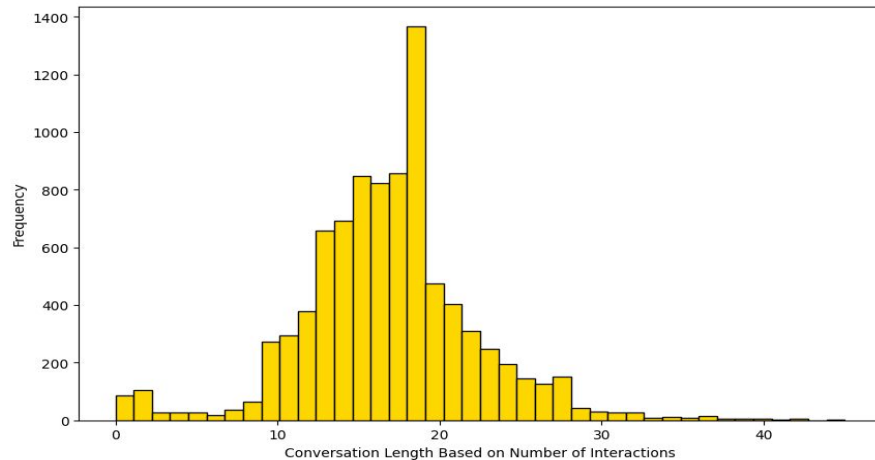
Approach and Methodology

- Some inquiries require multiple interactions, while others are resolved quickly.
- Applied text preprocessing for having better word embedding.

Distribution of Conversations Across Topics



Distribution of Conversations Interactions



- SBERT embeddings (384D) were used to convert text into numerical representations.
- Applied DBSCAN with UMAP (10D reduction) to identify key inquiry topics.
- Labeling clusters by reviewing top conversations with keyword extraction with TF-IDF.

Model Performance

Model/Score	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1
Logistic Regression	0.9916	0.98910	0.9891	0.9891
SVC	0.9935	0.99140	0.9913	0.9914
Random Forest	0.9814	0.9750	0.9782	0.9757
LightGBM	0.9874	0.9851	0.9850	0.9847
XGBoost	0.9818	0.9817	0.9818	0.9813
CatBoost	0.9850	0.9856	0.9855	0.9853
MLP	0.9895	0.9894	0.9895	0.9894
DNN	0.9859	0.9861	0.9859	0.9858

Challenges and Limitations

- Computational limitations for training and fine-tuning models.
- High similarity between some inquiries.
- Imbalanced data distribution.

Business Recommendations

- Invest in scalable computing resources.
- Use chatbots and self-service portals for high-volume inquiries to reduce agent workload.
- Implement Real-Time Sentiment Monitoring.