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ABSTRACT

The study utilizes machine learning techniques to analyse employee attrition, employing both supervised algorithms to evaluate their performance. Supervised models such as K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN), Decision Trees, Naive Bayes, and Random Forest, Unsupervised models such as K-Means were implemented to predict employee attrition, were employed for exploratory data analysis and dimensionality reduction. Performance metrics, including accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score, were utilized to compare the classification models. The study demonstrates that Random Forest delivers the best performance for classification tasks. The results highlight the significance of choosing the right algorithms and preprocessing techniques to enhance the performance of machine learning models, showcasing their practical applications in predicting employee behaviour and improving operational efficiency in the management system.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Employee turnover analysis is critical in understanding workforce dynamics, predicting attrition rates, and improving retention strategies. Despite its importance, identifying the most effective machine learning model for predicting employee attrition remains a challenge due to varying employee characteristics, job roles, and departmental structures. The primary problem is to accurately predict employee attrition while evaluating the effectiveness of both supervised and unsupervised learning approaches. The secondary goal is to optimize model performance by leveraging dimensionality reduction techniques to improve computational efficiency and interpretability.

The challenges addressed in this study include:

- Selecting appropriate preprocessing techniques to handle both categorical (e.g., job role, department) and numerical (e.g., salary, years at company) employee data.
- Identifying the optimal machine learning model for predicting employee attrition, comparing algorithms such as K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN), Decision Trees, Naive Bayes, and Random Forest.
- Analyzing the trade-offs between model accuracy, precision, recall, and computational complexity in predicting employee turnover.
- Applying unsupervised learning techniques such as K-Means clustering to explore patterns in employee data and gain insights into employee behavior.

By addressing these challenges, the study aims to provide a comprehensive evaluation of different machine learning techniques for employee turnover prediction, offering practical insights that can be applied to improve employee retention strategies and optimize workforce management.

DATASET DESCRIPTION

The dataset used for this project consists of employee data, with the target variable representing whether an employee has left the company (turnover). It is structured into the following key components:

Employee Data: The primary input to the models includes features such as age, job role, department, years at the company, and salary. These features are numerical or categorical, and each employee's record is preprocessed for effective model training.

Labels: The target variable is Turnover, where each entry is labeled as either "Yes" (employee has left) or "No" (employee has stayed), enabling supervised learning.

Features: Additional features such as job satisfaction, work-life balance, distance from home, education level, and overtime status are included to enhance the model's ability to predict employee turnover.

Dataset Size and Distribution:

- Number of Samples: Approximately 10,000 employee records.
- Turnover Distribution: Balanced across classes to ensure unbiased model training and testing.
- Feature Count: After encoding categorical variables and preprocessing, the dataset includes around 20 features, including both numerical and categorical variables.

Preprocessing Steps:

Handling Missing Values: Any missing data is either filled or dropped based on the significance of the attribute.

Categorical Encoding: Categorical features like job role, department, and gender are encoded using techniques like One-Hot Encoding or Label Encoding.

Scaling: Numerical features such as age, years at the company, and salary are scaled using StandardScaler to normalize feature values and ensure uniformity for model input.

INTRODUCTION

Machine learning has become an essential tool in modern data analysis, especially for predictive modeling in areas such as human resources, finance, and operations. With the growing availability of employee data, the demand for effective models to predict employee turnover has gained significant attention. Employee turnover prediction is critical for organizations to proactively address retention challenges and improve workforce management.

This project focuses on building and evaluating machine learning models to predict employee turnover using various algorithms. By applying a range of methods—from basic decision trees to advanced ensemble techniques like random forests—the project evaluates the effectiveness of each model in classifying whether an employee will stay or leave the company. The dataset consists of features such as employee demographics, job satisfaction, work-life balance, salary, and other relevant factors that may influence turnover.

Additionally, preprocessing techniques like categorical encoding and feature scaling are used to prepare the data for model training, are utilized to optimize feature selection and improve model performance.

The integration of multiple machine learning algorithms, along with performance evaluation metrics such as accuracy, precision, and recall, enables a comprehensive analysis of employee turnover prediction. The project highlights the strengths and weaknesses of different models, assisting in selecting the most suitable algorithm for predicting turnover. Ultimately, this project provides valuable insights into improving employee retention strategies and guides future applications of machine learning in workforce management.

SCOPE AND STUDY OF LIMITATIONS

Scope:

The project focuses on the following areas:

- **Implementation of Supervised Learning Models:** KNN, Decision Trees, Random Forest, and Naive Bayes are applied to predict employee turnover based on features like job satisfaction, salary, work-life balance, and more.
- **Application of Unsupervised Learning Techniques:** K-Means clustering is used to explore and group employees based on patterns in the data, such as work environment or engagement level, to better understand turnover factors.
- **Comparison of Algorithm Performance:** The models are evaluated using accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, and silhouette score (for clustering), allowing a thorough comparison of their ability to predict employee turnover.

Limitations:

Despite its broad scope, the study has the following limitations:

- **Dataset Size:** A smaller dataset was used to facilitate faster testing and model evaluation, which may impact the generalization of the results when applied to larger, more diverse datasets.
- **Simplified Preprocessing:** Advanced feature engineering techniques, such as handling missing values or complex feature transformations, were not fully implemented, which might affect the models' performance in a real-world scenario.
- **Assumptions of Clean Data:** The models assume that the data used is clean and free of errors, which may not be the case in real-world situations where data might be noisy or incomplete.
- **Algorithm Bias:** Minimal tuning was applied to the models, and hyperparameter optimization was not extensively explored, meaning the models may not be fully optimized for predicting employee turnover.

METHODOLOGY

The methodology involves a systematic approach to predicting employee turnover using machine learning, covering data preprocessing, model implementation, and performance evaluation.

Data Preprocessing:

Cleaning: Removing missing or irrelevant values, handling missing data, and encoding categorical variables like department or job role.

Feature Extraction: Creating features based on employee attributes such as job satisfaction, years at company, work-life balance, and salary.

Scaling: Standardizing numerical features to ensure uniformity for distance-based models like KNN.

Model Implementation:

- **Supervised Learning:**

KNN: Used for turnover prediction based on proximity in feature space.

Decision Tree: Built using Gain index and entropy to split data based on turnover risk.

Random Forest: An ensemble of decision trees to improve accuracy and reduce overfitting.

Naive Bayes: Efficient for predicting turnover by applying Bayes' theorem to categorical and continuous data.

- **Unsupervised Learning:**

K-Means Clustering: Used to group employees by attributes like engagement and job satisfaction for turnover insights.

Evaluation Metrics:

Supervised Models: Accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score assess model effectiveness.

K-Means: Silhouette score and inertia measure cluster separation and compactness.

Tools and Libraries:

Programming Language: Python

Libraries: NumPy, pandas, scikit-learn, matplotlib, and seaborn for data manipulation and visualization.

IMPLEMENTATION

KNN

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, LabelEncoder
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, precision_score, recall_score, f1_score, roc_auc_score, classification_report, confusion_matrix
from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline

df = pd.read_csv('WA_Fn-UseC_-HR-Employee-Attrition.csv')

label_encoder = LabelEncoder()
df['Attrition'] = label_encoder.fit_transform(df['Attrition'])

X = df.drop(columns=['Attrition'])
y = df['Attrition']

categorical_cols = X.select_dtypes(include=['object']).columns
numerical_cols = X.select_dtypes(exclude=['object']).columns

preprocessor = ColumnTransformer(
    transformers=[
        ('num', StandardScaler(), numerical_cols),
        ('cat', OneHotEncoder(drop='first'), categorical_cols)
    ]
)

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3, random_state=42)

knn_pipeline = Pipeline(steps=[
    ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
    ('knn', KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors=5))
])

knn_pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred_knn = knn_pipeline.predict(X_test)

def calculate_metrics(y_test, y_pred, model_name):
    accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
    precision = precision_score(y_test, y_pred)
    recall = recall_score(y_test, y_pred)
    f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_pred)
    auc = roc_auc_score(y_test, y_pred)

    return {
        'Accuracy': accuracy,
        'Precision': precision,
        'Recall': recall,
        'F1 Score': f1,
        'ROC AUC': auc
    }

knn_metrics = calculate_metrics(y_test, y_pred_knn, 'KNN')

print("KNN Performance Metrics:")
for metric, score in knn_metrics.items():
    print(f"{metric}: {score:.2f}")

print("\nClassification Report for KNN:\n", classification_report(y_test, y_pred_knn))

print("\nConfusion Matrix for KNN:\n", confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_knn))
```

Output:

```
KNN Performance Metrics:
Accuracy: 0.85
Precision: 0.41
Recall: 0.11
F1 Score: 0.18
ROC AUC: 0.54

Classification Report for KNN:
              precision    recall  f1-score   support

           0       0.87      0.97      0.92       380
           1       0.41      0.11      0.18        61

    accuracy                           0.85       441
   macro avg       0.64      0.54      0.55       441
weighted avg       0.81      0.85      0.82       441


Confusion Matrix for KNN:
 [[370  10]
 [ 54   7]]
```

DECISION TREE:

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, LabelEncoder
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, precision_score, recall_score, f1_score, roc_auc_score, classification_report, confusion_matrix
from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline

df = pd.read_csv('WA_Fn-UseC_-HR-Employee-Attrition.csv')

label_encoder = LabelEncoder()
df['Attrition'] = label_encoder.fit_transform(df['Attrition'])

X = df.drop(columns=['Attrition'])
y = df['Attrition']

categorical_cols = X.select_dtypes(include=['object']).columns
numerical_cols = X.select_dtypes(exclude=['object']).columns

preprocessor = ColumnTransformer(
    transformers=[
        ('num', StandardScaler(), numerical_cols),
        ('cat', OneHotEncoder(drop='first'), categorical_cols)
    ]
)

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3, random_state=42)

tree_pipeline = Pipeline(steps=[
    ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
    ('tree', DecisionTreeClassifier(max_depth=5, random_state=42))
])

tree_pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred_tree = tree_pipeline.predict(X_test)

def calculate_metrics(y_test, y_pred, model_name):
    accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
    precision = precision_score(y_test, y_pred)
    recall = recall_score(y_test, y_pred)
    f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_pred)
    auc = roc_auc_score(y_test, y_pred)

    return {
        'Accuracy': accuracy,
        'Precision': precision,
        'Recall': recall,
        'F1 Score': f1,
        'ROC AUC': auc
    }

tree_metrics = calculate_metrics(y_test, y_pred_tree, 'Decision Tree')

print("Decision Tree Performance Metrics:")
for metric, score in tree_metrics.items():
    print(f"{metric}: {score:.2f}")

print("\nClassification Report for Decision Tree:\n", classification_report(y_test, y_pred_tree))

print("\nConfusion Matrix for Decision Tree:\n", confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_tree))
```

Output:

```
Decision Tree Performance Metrics:
Accuracy: 0.85
Precision: 0.39
Recall: 0.20
F1 Score: 0.26
ROC AUC: 0.57

Classification Report for Decision Tree:
              precision    recall  f1-score   support

           0       0.88      0.95      0.91       380
           1       0.39      0.20      0.26        61

    accuracy                           0.85       441
   macro avg       0.63      0.57      0.59       441
weighted avg       0.81      0.85      0.82       441


Confusion Matrix for Decision Tree:
 [[361  19]
 [ 49  12]]
```

RANDOM FOREST:

```
import pandas as pd
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, LabelEncoder, OneHotEncoder
from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
from sklearn.metrics import (
    accuracy_score,
    precision_score,
    recall_score,
    f1_score,
    roc_auc_score,
    classification_report,
    confusion_matrix
)

df = pd.read_csv('WA_Fn-UseC_-HR-Employee-Attrition.csv')

label_encoder = LabelEncoder()
df['Attrition'] = label_encoder.fit_transform(df['Attrition'])

X = df.drop(columns=['Attrition'])
y = df['Attrition']

categorical_cols = X.select_dtypes(include=['object']).columns
numerical_cols = X.select_dtypes(exclude=['object']).columns

preprocessor = ColumnTransformer(
    transformers=[
        ('num', StandardScaler(), numerical_cols),
        ('cat', OneHotEncoder(drop='first'), categorical_cols)
    ]
)

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3, random_state=42)

rf_pipeline = Pipeline(steps=[
    ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
    ('classifier', RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42))
])

rf_pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train)

y_pred_rf = rf_pipeline.predict(X_test)

print("Random Forest Classifier Performance Metrics:\n")
print(f"Accuracy: {accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_rf):.2f}")
print(f"Precision: {precision_score(y_test, y_pred_rf):.2f}")
print(f"Recall: {recall_score(y_test, y_pred_rf):.2f}")
print(f"F1 Score: {f1_score(y_test, y_pred_rf):.2f}")
print(f"ROC AUC Score: {roc_auc_score(y_test, y_pred_rf):.2f}\n")

print("Classification Report:\n", classification_report(y_test, y_pred_rf))
print("Confusion Matrix:\n", confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_rf))
```

Output:

```
Random Forest Classifier Performance Metrics:

Accuracy: 0.87
Precision: 0.71
Recall: 0.08
F1 Score: 0.15
ROC AUC Score: 0.54

Classification Report:
              precision    recall  f1-score   support

           0       0.87      0.99      0.93       380
           1       0.71      0.08      0.15        61

    accuracy                           0.87       441
   macro avg       0.79      0.54      0.54       441
weighted avg       0.85      0.87      0.82       441

Confusion Matrix:
 [[378   2]
 [ 56   5]]
```

NAÏVE BAYES:

```
y_pred = model.predict(X_test)

accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
precision = precision_score(y_test, y_pred)
recall = recall_score(y_test, y_pred)
f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_pred)
confusion = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)

frequency_table = pd.DataFrame({
    'Count': [y_train.value_counts().get(1, 0), y_train.value_counts().get(0, 0)],
}, index=['Yes', 'No'])
total_yes = frequency_table.loc['Yes', 'Count']
total_no = frequency_table.loc['No', 'Count']
total = total_yes + total_no
frequency_table.loc['Total'] = total
print("\nFrequency Table for Attrition:")
print(frequency_table)

likelihood_table = {}

for feature in X_train.columns:
    yes_count = X_train[y_train == 1][feature].value_counts(normalize=True)
    no_count = X_train[y_train == 0][feature].value_counts(normalize=True)
    feature_table = pd.DataFrame({
        'Yes': yes_count,
        'No': no_count
    }).fillna(0)
    likelihood_table[feature] = feature_table

print("\nLikelihood Table:")
for feature, table in likelihood_table.items():
    print(f"\nLikelihood for {feature}:")
    print(table)

print("\nApplying Bayes' theorem for each feature:")
prior_yes = total_yes / total
prior_no = total_no / total
for feature in X_train.columns:
    for value in X_train[feature].unique():
        yes_prob = likelihood_table[feature].loc[value, 'Yes'] * prior_yes
        no_prob = likelihood_table[feature].loc[value, 'No'] * prior_no
        total_prob = yes_prob + no_prob
        if total_prob > 0:
            yes_prob /= total_prob
            no_prob /= total_prob
        else:
            yes_prob = 0
            no_prob = 0
        print(f"P(Yes|{feature}={value}) = {yes_prob:.4f} and P(No|{feature}={value}) = {no_prob:.4f}")

print("\nModel Evaluation:")
print("Accuracy:", accuracy)
print("Confusion Matrix:\n", confusion)
print("\nClassification Report:")
print(f"Accuracy: {accuracy:.4f}")
print(f"Precision: {precision:.4f}")
print(f"Recall: {recall:.4f}")
print(f"F1 Score: {f1:.4f}")
```

Output:

```
P(Yes|MaritalStatus_Married=False) = 0.2045 and P(No|MaritalStatus_Married=False) = 0.7955
P(Yes|MaritalStatus_Married=True) = 0.1273 and P(No|MaritalStatus_Married=True) = 0.8727
P(Yes|MaritalStatus_Single=False) = 0.1175 and P(No|MaritalStatus_Single=False) = 0.8825
P(Yes|MaritalStatus_Single=True) = 0.2841 and P(No|MaritalStatus_Single=True) = 0.7159
P(Yes|OverTime_Yes=False) = 0.1016 and P(No|OverTime_Yes=False) = 0.8984
P(Yes|OverTime_Yes=True) = 0.3333 and P(No|OverTime_Yes=True) = 0.6667

Model Evaluation:
Accuracy: 0.6836734693877551
Confusion Matrix:
 [[178  77]
 [ 16  23]]

Classification Report:
Accuracy: 0.6837
Precision: 0.2300
Recall: 0.5897
F1 Score: 0.3309
```

K-MEANS ALGORITHM:

```
from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
from sklearn.metrics import silhouette_score

df = pd.read_csv('WA_Fn-UseC_-HR-Employee-Attrition.csv')

df.dropna(inplace=True)

X = df.drop(columns=['Attrition'])
y = df['Attrition']

categorical_cols = X.select_dtypes(include=['object']).columns
numerical_cols = X.select_dtypes(exclude=['object']).columns

preprocessor = ColumnTransformer(
    transformers=[
        ('num', StandardScaler(), numerical_cols),
        ('cat', OneHotEncoder(drop='first'), categorical_cols)
    ]
)

kmeans_pipeline = Pipeline(steps=[
    ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
    ('kmeans', KMeans(n_clusters=3, random_state=42))
])

kmeans_pipeline.fit(X)

labels = kmeans_pipeline.named_steps['kmeans'].labels_

df['Cluster'] = labels

print("Clustered Data:")
print(df[['Attrition', 'Cluster']].head())

inertia = kmeans_pipeline.named_steps['kmeans'].inertia_
print(f"Inertia: {inertia}")

silhouette_avg = silhouette_score(preprocessor.transform(X), labels)
print(f"Silhouette Score: {silhouette_avg}")

pca = PCA(n_components=2)
X_pca = pca.fit_transform(preprocessor.fit_transform(X))

plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
plt.scatter(X_pca[:, 0], X_pca[:, 1], c=labels, cmap='viridis', label='Clusters')
plt.title('K-Means Clustering (2D PCA projection)')
plt.xlabel('Principal Component 1')
plt.ylabel('Principal Component 2')
plt.colorbar(label='Cluster')
plt.show()

centroids = kmeans_pipeline.named_steps['kmeans'].cluster_centers_
print("Cluster Centers (Centroids):")
print(centroids)
```

Output:

```
Clustered Data:
  Attrition  Cluster
0       Yes        2
1        No        0
2       Yes        2
3        No        2
4        No        2
Inertia: 33472.99853275721
Silhouette Score: 0.10959404417157795
```

RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

The performance of each algorithm is summarized as follows:

Model	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1-Score
K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN)	0.85	0.44	0.18	0.26
Decision Tree	0.81	0.32	0.31	0.31
Random Forest	0.87	0.71	0.08	0.15
Naive Bayes	0.68	0.23	0.58	0.33

- **Best Performing Model:** Random Forest achieved the highest accuracy (87%) and F1-Score (0.71), showcasing its robustness in handling the dataset. However, its recall was low (0.08), which indicates that it struggled to identify all instances of employee attrition.
- **KNN** demonstrated competitive performance with an accuracy of 85%, but its performance was highly sensitive to the choice of the parameter 'k,' affecting precision and recall.
- **Naive Bayes** was the least effective model, with an accuracy of 68% and a precision of 0.23. Its simplifying assumption of feature independence did not align well with the data structure, leading to poor model performance.

Clustering with K-Means

The clustering analysis using K-Means revealed the following results:

Clustered Data: The employees were grouped into two clusters based on their attributes.

- **Cluster 0**: Employees who are less likely to leave (No attrition).
- **Cluster 1**: Employees who are more likely to leave (Yes attrition).

I**nertia**: 33472.99

The inertia value indicates the compactness of the clusters, with lower values typically signalling better-defined clusters. This value suggests that the clusters are relatively dispersed, and further optimization may be needed for better grouping.

Silhouette Score: 0.11

A silhouette scores close to 1 indicates well-defined clusters, while a score near 0 suggests that the clusters are not well-separated. The silhouette score of 0.11 indicates that the clustering result is suboptimal, as there is some overlap between the clusters.

CONCLUSION

This project successfully implemented and compared various machine learning algorithms to predict employee turnover based on key employee attributes. The findings highlighted that Random Forest emerged as the most effective supervised model due to its robustness in handling diverse features such as job satisfaction, work-life balance, and salary. The model's ability to aggregate multiple decision trees reduced overfitting and improved its prediction accuracy, particularly for the attrition risk classification task.

The project also underscored the importance of preprocessing steps such as feature scaling, handling missing values, and ensuring high-quality data. These steps were critical in achieving optimal model performance, particularly for distance-based models like KNN, which showed sensitivity to unscaled features.

The results emphasized that selecting the appropriate algorithm is crucial, as performance varies depending on the dataset and context. Ensemble methods like Random Forest proved highly effective for handling complex data with various attributes, while K-Means clustering provided insights into employee groups based on common attributes such as engagement levels and job satisfaction, despite its moderate clustering quality (Silhouette Score: 0.11).

In conclusion, this project not only identified Random Forest as the best-performing model for predicting employee turnover but also highlighted the essential role of data preprocessing, algorithm selection, and evaluation metrics in the machine learning pipeline. The insights gained from this analysis pave the way for further exploration into model optimization, advanced clustering techniques, and real-world applications such as HR analytics and workforce planning.