

Step 1: Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

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1 Overview

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) is the process of analyzing datasets to summarize their main characteristics, often with visual methods. In this step, we will explore the **Bank Customer Churn** dataset.

2 Dataset Structure

The dataset contains information about bank customers and whether they left the bank (**Exited**). Key columns include:

- `CreditScore`, `Age`, `Tenure`, `Balance`.
- `NumOfProducts`, `HasCrCard`, `IsActiveMember`.
- `Exited` (Target variable).

3 Essential Python Tools

For this module, we use:

- **Pandas**: For data manipulation and summary stats.
- **Seaborn/Matplotlib**: For static visualizations.
- **Plotly (Optional)**: For interactive dashboards.

4 Implementation

The following code (available in `code/data_exploration.py`) performs a basic EDA :

```
1 import pandas as pd
2 import seaborn as sns
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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5 df = pd.read_csv("data/bank_churn.csv")
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7 # 1. Distribution of the Target Variable
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8 sns.countplot(x='Exited', data=df)
9 plt.title('Churn Count')
10 plt.show()
11
12 # 2. Correlation Analysis
13 sns.heatmap(df.corr(), annot=True, cmap='coolwarm')
14 plt.show()
```

5 Key Insights to Look For

During your analysis, ask yourself:

1. Is the dataset balanced? (Ratio of 0s to 1s in Exited).
2. Which features are most correlated with churn?
3. Are there outliers in the Balance or EstimatedSalary?

6 Exercise

Create a histogram for the Age column, grouped by the target variable Exited. What can you conclude about the relationship between age and customer churn?