

## Telco Customer Churn

Retaining Customers in the Telecommunications Industry

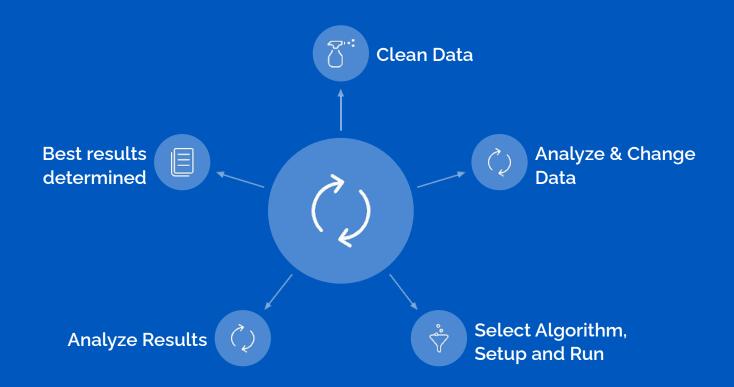
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## The Challenge and Objective

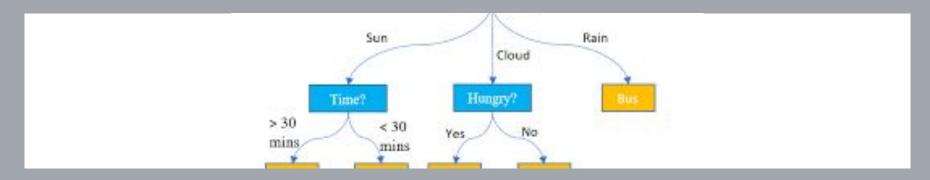
- CHURN AT TELCO IS CURRENTLY
   26.3%. CHURN ADDS SIGNIFICANT
   COSTS TO THE COMPANY
- MOST OF THE COSTS RELATE TO THE INITIAL DISCOUNTS GIVEN TO A CUSTOMER AND THE INITIAL COST OF SETTING UP A CUSTOMER.

 OUR OBJECTIVE WAS TO OBTAIN, UNDERSTAND AND ANALYZE THE DATASET PROVIDED BY THE CLIENT AND TO USE ANALYTICAL, GRAPHICAL AND STATISTICAL MEANS TO PREDICT CUSTOMER CHURN

## Data Science Methodology

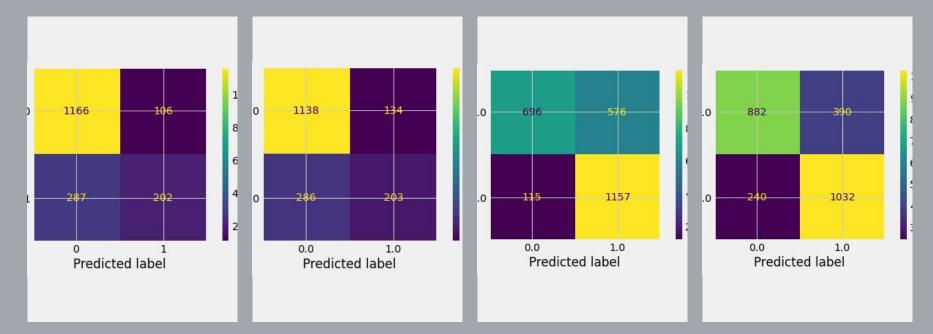


#### The 'Winning' Algorithm - Decision Trees



A decision tree is a tree-like model with leaves extending from features that represent decisions and their outcomes. The model endeavors to predict the best decisions for business problems.

## The Process



MODEL 1

True negatives high, true positives low - needs improvement

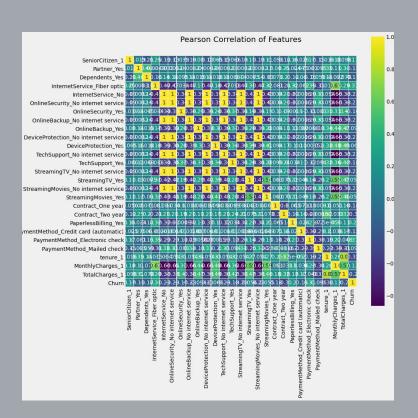
MODEL 2
Slight change

MODEL 3
Good Model

MODEL 4

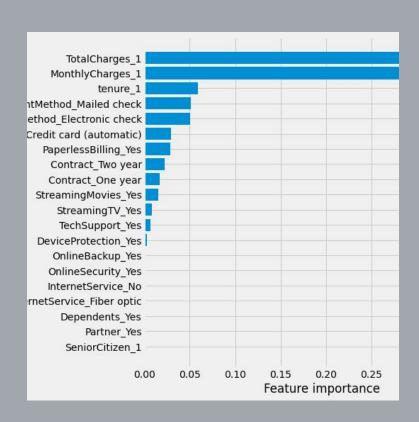
No change - final results

## The process - paring unnecessary data



REDUNDANT FEATURES TO DELETE

## The process - paring unnecessary data



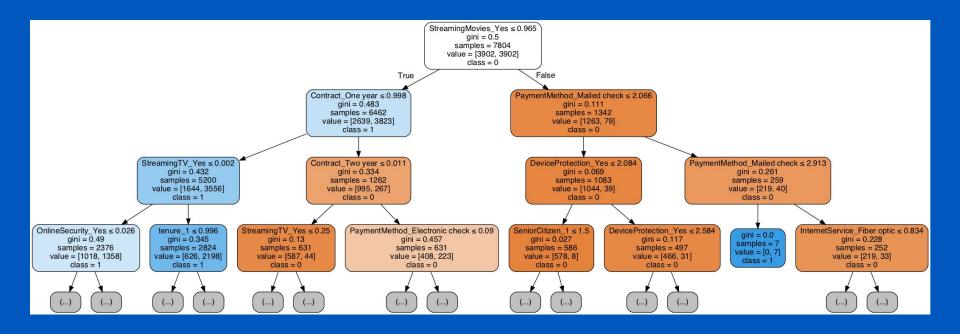
DETERMINING THE BEST FEATURES

## The Results

## Sometimes, it's what you don't sell...

Metric	Model 1	Model4
Accuracy	.779	.75
Recall - Yes	.413	.81
Recall - No	.92	.69

### **Final Decision Tree**



#### **Recommendations for Churn Customers**

#### **DECISION TO CHURN:**

People who have one year contracts but no streaming tv

**Recommendation - Sell more streaming movies** 

People who pay by check are more likely to churn

Recommendation: Move more people to electronic payments

Senior Citizens are more likely to churn

Recommendation: Encourage younger people to engage - no plan required

## **Next Steps**

**DETERMINE METRICS TO DISCOURAGE CHURN** 

**REVIEW PROGRESS IN 3-6 MONTHS** 

# Thank you!

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