```
#importing basic packages
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import re
import joblib
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
#Loading the data
from google.colab import files
uploaded = files.upload()
```

Choose Files Phishing\_U...Dataset.csv

• **Phishing\_URL\_Dataset.csv**(text/csv) - 56854345 bytes, last modified: 3/24/2025 - 100% done Saving Phishing\_URL\_Dataset.csv to Phishing\_URL\_Dataset.csv

```
#Reading the uploaded file
df = pd.read_csv('Phishing_URL_Dataset.csv', encoding='latin-1', on_bad_lines='skip')
```

Obtained from; https://archive.ics.uci.edu/dataset/967/phiusiil+phishing+url+dataset.

PhiUSIIL Phishing URL Dataset is a substantial dataset comprising 134,850 legitimate and 100,945 phishing URLs. Most of the URLs we analyzed, while constructing the dataset, are the latest URLs. Features are extracted from the source code of the webpage and URL. Features such as CharContinuationRate, URLTitleMatchScore, URLCharProb, and TLDLegitimateProb are derived from existing features.

df.head()

<b>→</b> *		FILENAME	URL	URLLength	Domain	Doma:
	0	521848.txt	https://www.southbankmosaics.com	31	www.southbankmosaics.com	
	1	31372.txt	https://www.uni-mainz.de	23	www.uni-mainz.de	
	2	597387.txt	https://www.voicefmradio.co.uk	29	www.voicefmradio.co.uk	
	3	554095.txt	https://www.sfnmjournal.com	26	www.sfnmjournal.com	
	4	151578.txt	https://www.rewildingargentina.org	33	www.rewildingargentina.org	
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df.sample(20)



	i»¿FILENAME	URL	URLLength	
49105	133965.txt	https://www.iwra.org	19	
148223	103499.txt	https://www.incredibuild.com	27	W
189235	720286.txt	https://www.pjd.ma	17	
188225	42574.txt	https://www.mountain-forecast.com	32	www.mo
157956	461706.txt	https://www.darts1.de	20	
217266	8118962.txt	https://u33635890.ct.sendgrid.net/ls/click?upn	748	u3363{
156672	8043731.txt	https://olipichinchpinchechiolin.repl.co/	43	olipichinch
8420	161599.txt	https://www.reed.senate.gov	26	W
147356	8061210.txt	https://aol-104204.weeblysite.com/	34	aol-104
202021	mw42588.txt	http://www.uswest.cpufan.club	28	www
194400	8130504.txt	https://objectstorage.ap-tokyo- 1.oraclecloud.c	173	obj€
74163	8114319.txt	https://site.appmarketing.com.br/wp- content/th	82	site.a
204745	808424.txt	https://www.strother-nuckels.com	31	www.s
114886	8082586.txt	http://www.rakoten-cacd.xjeoiyl.cn/	35	www.rak
159712	120530.txt	https://www.wsipp.wa.gov	23	
34577	mw24258.txt	http://www.kvm1.j963289.n5zdn.vps.myjino.ru	42	www.kvm1.j963289.
173372	8109484.txt	https://www.drect- smtb.jp.ap1.ib.xuanglasses.c	72	smtb.jp.ap1.
74295	401134.txt	https://www.cineytele.com	24	
211322	848901.txt	https://www.nfdw.com	19	
194165	8046716.txt	https://guiacpf.com.br/	23	
20 rows ×	56 columns			
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df.shape

**→** (235795, 56)

df.info()



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3	Domain	235795	non-null	object
4	DomainLength	235795	non-null	int64
5	IsDomainIP	235795	non-null	int64
6	TLD	235795	non-null	object
7	URLSimilarityIndex	235795	non-null	float64
8	CharContinuationRate		non-null	float64
9	TLDLegitimateProb		non-null	float64
10	URLCharProb	235795	non-null	float64
11	TLDLength		non-null	int64
12	NoOfSubDomain		non-null	int64
13	HasObfuscation		non-null	int64
14	NoOfObfuscatedChar		non-null	int64
15	ObfuscationRatio		non-null	float64
16	NoOfLettersInURL		non-null	int64
17	LetterRatioInURL		non-null	float64
18	NoOfDegitsInURL		non-null	int64
19	DegitRatioInURL		non-null	float64
20	NoOfEqualsInURL		non-null	int64
21	NoOfQMarkInURL		non-null	int64
22	NoOfAmpersandInURL		non-null	int64
23	NoOfOtherSpecialCharsInURL		non-null	int64
24	SpacialCharRatioInURL		non-null	float64
25	ISHTTPS		non-null	int64
26	LineOfCode		non-null	int64
27			non-null	int64
28	LargestLineLength HasTitle		non-null	int64
29	Title		non-null	object
30	DomainTitleMatchScore		non-null	float64
31	URLTitleMatchScore			float64
32	HasFavicon		non-null	int64
33	Robots		non-null	int64
34	IsResponsive		non-null	int64
35	NoOfURLRedirect		non-null	int64
36	NoOfSelfRedirect		non-null	int64
37	HasDescription		non-null	int64
38	NoOfPopup		non-null	int64
39	NoOfiFrame		non-null	int64
40	HasExternalFormSubmit		non-null	int64
41	HasSocialNet		non-null	int64
42	HasSubmitButton		non-null	int64
43	HasHiddenFields		non-null	int64
44	HasPasswordField		non-null	int64
45	Bank		non-null	int64
46	Pay		non-null	int64
47	Crypto		non-null	int64
48	HasCopyrightInfo		non-null	int64
49	NoOfImage		non-null	int64
50	NoOfCSS		non-null	int64
51	NoOfJS		non-null	int64
52	NoOfSelfRef		non-null	int64
53	NoOfEmptyRef		non-null	int64
54	NoOfExternalRef		non-null	int64
55	label		non-null	int64
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dtypes: float64(10), int64(41), object(5)

memory usage: 100.7+ MB

df.columns

```
→ Index(['FILENAME', 'URL', 'URLLength', 'Domain', 'DomainLength',
            'IsDomainIP', 'TLD', 'URLSimilarityIndex', 'CharContinuationRate',
            'TLDLegitimateProb', 'URLCharProb', 'TLDLength', 'NoOfSubDomain',
            'HasObfuscation', 'NoOfObfuscatedChar', 'ObfuscationRatio',
            'NoOfLettersInURL', 'LetterRatioInURL', 'NoOfDegitsInURL',
            'DegitRatioInURL', 'NoOfEqualsInURL', 'NoOfQMarkInURL',
            'NoOfAmpersandInURL', 'NoOfOtherSpecialCharsInURL',
            'SpacialCharRatioInURL', 'IsHTTPS', 'LineOfCode', 'LargestLineLength',
            'HasTitle', 'Title', 'DomainTitleMatchScore', 'URLTitleMatchScore',
            'HasFavicon', 'Robots', 'IsResponsive', 'NoOfURLRedirect',
            'NoOfSelfRedirect', 'HasDescription', 'NoOfPopup', 'NoOfiFrame',
            'HasExternalFormSubmit', 'HasSocialNet', 'HasSubmitButton',
            'HasHiddenFields', 'HasPasswordField', 'Bank', 'Pay', 'Crypto',
            'HasCopyrightInfo', 'NoOfImage', 'NoOfCSS', 'NoOfJS', 'NoOfSelfRef',
            'NoOfEmptyRef', 'NoOfExternalRef', 'label'],
          dtype='object')
```

### **Data Cleaning**

```
# 1. Remove non-numeric irrelevant columns that can't be used for model training df_cleaned = df.drop(columns=['FILENAME', 'URL', 'Domain', 'Title'])
```

Irrelevant Columns: Removed columns such as FILENAME, URL, Domain, and Title, which are not useful for classification.

```
# For simplicity, we'll drop rows with missing values. Alternatively, you can fill missing v df_cleaned = df_cleaned.dropna() # Remove rows with missing values
```

```
# 2. Check for and remove duplicate rows
df_cleaned = df_cleaned.drop_duplicates()
```

Duplicates: Duplicates were identified and removed, ensuring that each observation in the dataset is unique. This avoids any bias in model training caused by repeated data.

```
# 3. Check for missing values
missing_values = df_cleaned.isnull().sum()
# 5. Ensure proper data types
df cleaned.dtypes
```



0 URLLength int64 DomainLength int64 **IsDomainIP** int64 TLD object **URLSimilarityIndex** float64 CharContinuationRate float64 **TLDLegitimateProb** float64 **URLCharProb** float64 **TLDLength** int64 **NoOfSubDomain** int64 **HasObfuscation** int64 NoOfObfuscatedChar int64 **ObfuscationRatio** float64 NoOfLettersInURL int64 LetterRatioInURL float64 NoOfDegitsInURL int64 DegitRatioInURL float64 NoOfEqualsInURL int64 NoOfQMarkInURL int64 NoOfAmpersandInURL int64 NoOfOtherSpecialCharsInURL int64 float64 **SpacialCharRatioInURL ISHTTPS** int64 LineOfCode int64 LargestLineLength int64 HasTitle int64 **DomainTitleMatchScore** float64 **URLTitleMatchScore** float64 HasFavicon int64 int64 Robots

IsResponsive	int64
NoOfURLRedirect	int64
NoOfSelfRedirect	int64
HasDescription	int64
NoOfPopup	int64
NoOfiFrame	int64
HasExternalFormSubmit	int64
HasSocialNet	int64
HasSubmitButton	int64
HasHiddenFields	int64
HasPasswordField	int64
Bank	int64
Pay	int64
Crypto	int64
HasCopyrightInfo	int64
NoOfImage	int64
NoOfCSS	int64
NoOfJS	int64
NoOfSelfRef	int64
NoOfEmptyRef	int64
NoOfExternalRef	int64
label	int64

dtype: object

Data Types: Ensured that all columns have the correct data type (integers for numerical features, etc.).

# Display the cleaned dataframe and missing values
df\_cleaned.head(), missing\_values

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2	7	42	2	5	1
3	15	22	1	31	1
4	34	72	1	85	1

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URLLength	0
DomainLength	0
IsDomainIP	0
TLD	0
URLSimilarityIndex	0
CharContinuationRate	0
TLDLegitimateProb	0
URLCharProb	0
TLDLength	0
NoOfSubDomain	0
HasObfuscation	0
NoOfObfuscatedChar	0
ObfuscationRatio	0
NoOfLettersInURL	0
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NoOfEqualsInURL	0

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HasCopyrightInfo	0
NoOfImage	0
NoOfCSS	0
NoOfJS	0
NoOfSelfRef	0
NoOfEmptyRef	0
NoOfExternalRef	0
label	0
dtype: int64)	

Missing Values: The dataset was checked for missing values, and since there were no missing entries, we moved forward with no imputation or removal of rows due to missing values.

# df['label']

<b>→</b>		label
	0	1
	1	1
	2	1
	3	1
	4	1
	235790	1
	235791	1
	235792	1
	235793	0
	235794	1
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dtype: int64

df.sample(10)



	URLLength	URL	i»¿FILENAME	
WW\	17	https://www.nic.sh	146314.txt	156568
a 109688.weeblys	39	https://aol-mail-109688.weeblysite.com/	8090896.txt	128468
organisasi.bulunga	72	http://organisasi.bulungan.go.id/public/wjesho	oph12157.txt	68411
www.cena	23	http://www.cena-iran.ml	mw131783.txt	60620
www.51:	21	http://www.51she.info	mw179866.txt	104841
vale online.myshor	120	https://valeu-lojas- online.myshopify.com/produ	8092122.txt	117207
www.ars	21	http://www.arsels.info	mw73571.txt	63750
www.atlantisa	25	http://www.atlantisads.com	mw68727.txt	105756
www.gothamgree	27	https://www.gothamgreens.com	697851.txt	29859
quickrectifier.ver	41	https://quickrectifier.vercel.app/wallets	8135560.txt	42771
			56 columns	10 rows ×
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Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) Explore key features and relationships.

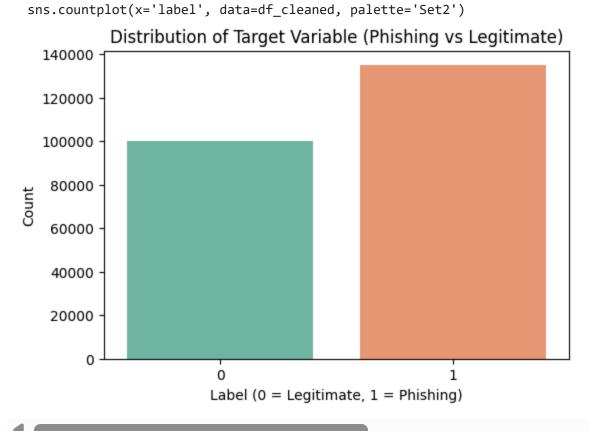
Target Distribution: The label column, which classifies URLs as phishing (1) or legitimate (0), shows an imbalanced distribution. Phishing URLs (labeled 1) dominate the dataset. This class imbalance might affect model performance, requiring techniques like oversampling or adjusting class weights to improve performance for the minority class (legitimate URLs).

```
# Distribution of the target variable:
plt.figure(figsize=(6, 4))
sns.countplot(x='label', data=df_cleaned, palette='Set2')
plt.title('Distribution of Target Variable (Phishing vs Legitimate)')
plt.xlabel('Label (0 = Legitimate, 1 = Phishing)')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.show()
```

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```

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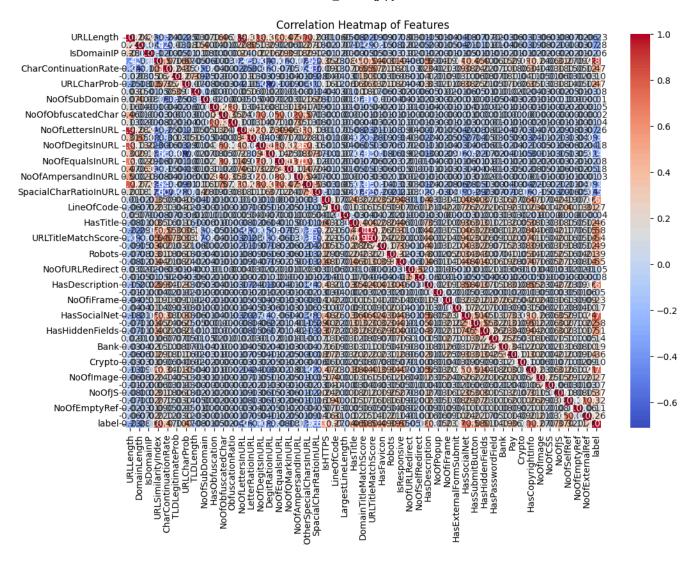
Passing `palette` without assigning `hue` is deprecated and will be removed in v0.14.0.



Correlation Heatmap: The correlation heatmap revealed several strong correlations between numerical features, particularly features related to URL length and domain characteristics. This suggests that certain features may provide redundant information, and careful feature selection could help streamline the model and reduce overfitting.

```
# Compute the correlation matrix
# Select only numeric columns before calculating correlation
correlation_matrix = df_cleaned.select_dtypes(include=np.number).corr()
# Plot the correlation matrix as a heatmap
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
sns.heatmap(correlation_matrix, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm', fmt='.2f', linewidth
plt.title('Correlation Heatmap of Features')
plt.show()
```





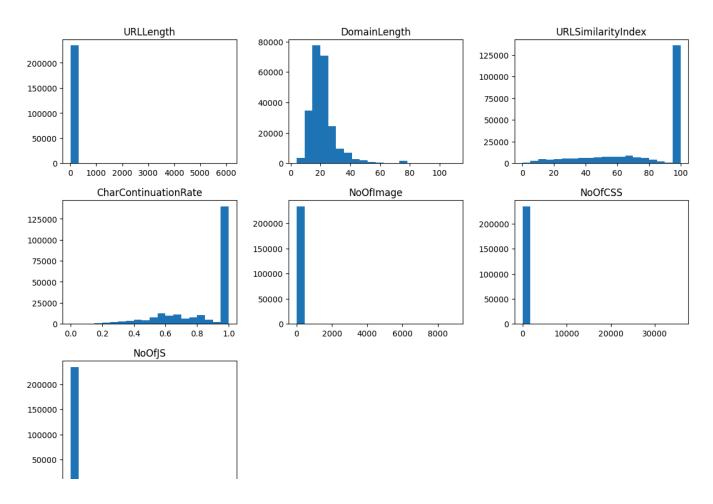
Feature Distribution: URLLength and DomainLength: These features exhibited different ranges across phishing and legitimate URLs, which could be useful in distinguishing between the two classes. Longer URLs and domain names may be indicative of phishing attempts.

NoOfImage, NoOfCSS, NoOfJS: The presence of images, CSS, and JavaScript files showed variability across phishing and legitimate URLs, indicating that phishing websites may use more complex designs, which is a common strategy to appear legitimate.

```
#Distribution of key numerical features
key_features = ['URLLength', 'DomainLength', 'URLSimilarityIndex', 'CharContinuat
df_cleaned[key_features].hist(bins=20, figsize=(14, 10), grid=False)
plt.suptitle('Distribution of Key Numerical Features')
plt.show()
```



#### Distribution of Key Numerical Features



Feature vs Target Visualization: Boxplots for URLLength and DomainLength: These plots show that phishing URLs tend to have longer URL lengths and domain names than legitimate ones. This could suggest that phishing websites often use more complex URLs to confuse users.

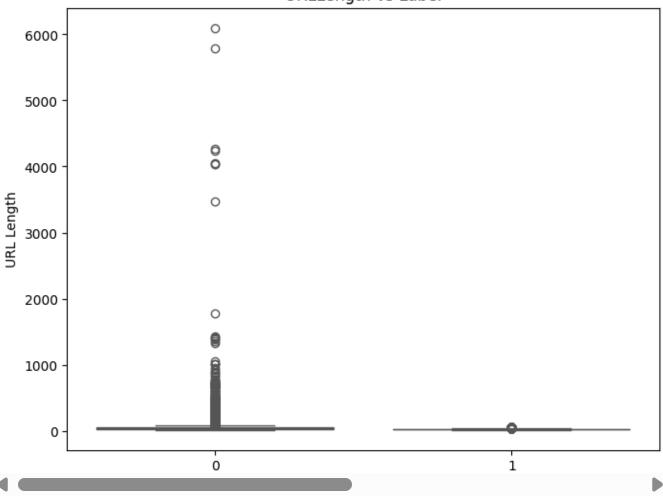
Boxplot for NoOflmage: The number of images appears to vary between phishing and legitimate URLs, with phishing sites using more images. This aligns with common strategies used in phishing sites to mimic real websites.

```
# Visualizing relationships between features and the target variable (label)
# Visualizing 'URLLength' vs 'label'
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
sns.boxplot(x='label', y='URLLength', data=df_cleaned, palette='Set2')
plt.title('URLLength vs Label')
plt.xlabel('Label (0 = Legitimate, 1 = Phishing)')
plt.ylabel('URL Length')
plt.show()
```

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Passing `palette` without assigning `hue` is deprecated and will be removed in v0.14.0. sns.boxplot(x='label', y='URLLength', data=df\_cleaned, palette='Set2')

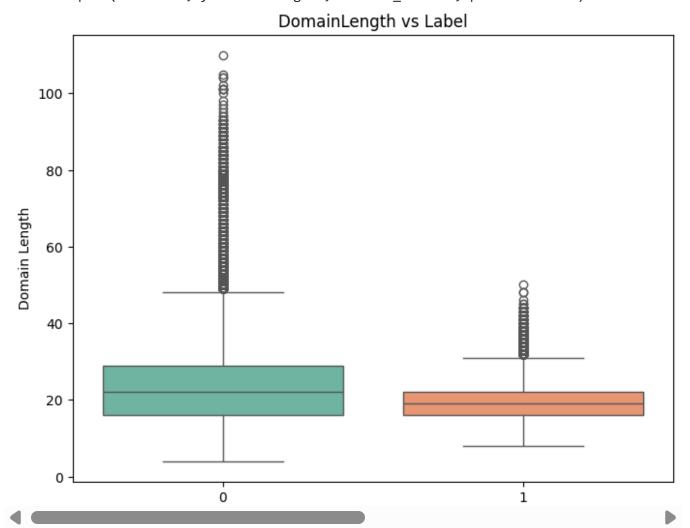
# URLLength vs Label



```
# Visualizing 'DomainLength' vs 'label'
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
sns.boxplot(x='label', y='DomainLength', data=df_cleaned, palette='Set2')
plt.title('DomainLength vs Label')
plt.xlabel('Label (0 = Legitimate, 1 = Phishing)')
plt.ylabel('Domain Length')
plt.show()
```

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Passing `palette` without assigning `hue` is deprecated and will be removed in v0.14.0. sns.boxplot(x='label', y='DomainLength', data=df\_cleaned, palette='Set2')

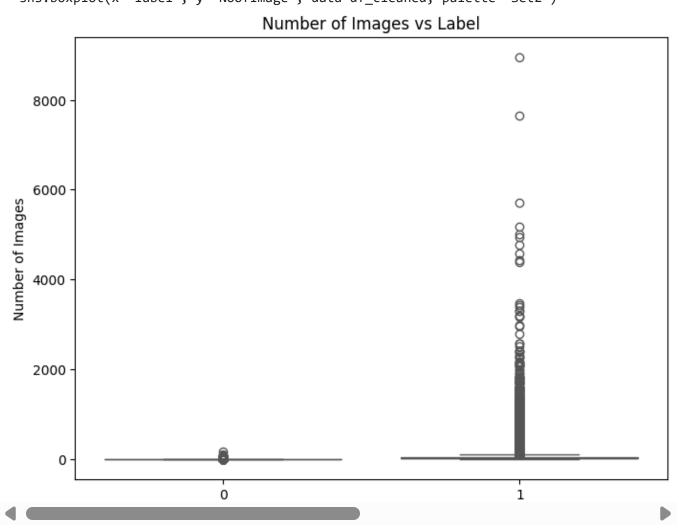


```
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
sns.boxplot(x='label', y='NoOfImage', data=df_cleaned, palette='Set2')
plt.title('Number of Images vs Label')
plt.xlabel('Label (0 = Legitimate, 1 = Phishing)')
plt.ylabel('Number of Images')
plt.show()
```

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Passing `palette` without assigning `hue` is deprecated and will be removed in v0.14.0. sns.boxplot(x='label', y='NoOfImage', data=df\_cleaned, palette='Set2')



#### **Data Preprocessing**

Data preprocessing is a crucial step before model training. It includes tasks such as handling categorical features, scaling numerical data, dealing with class imbalance, splitting the dataset into training and testing sets, and more. Here's how we'll proceed with preprocessing:

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.utils import resample
```

```
scaler = StandardScaler()
```

# In this dataset, we already removed non-numeric columns, so no categorical encoding is nee # Based on EDA, we can keep all the numerical features for now, but we could remove highly c

```
# We'll continue using the cleaned dataset from the previous steps.
# Identify numeric columns (we only have numerical columns remaining after cleaning)
numeric_columns = df_cleaned.select_dtypes(include=['int64', 'float64']).columns
# Standardize the numerical features
# Standardize the numerical features
X = df cleaned[numeric columns]
y = df_cleaned['label']
X_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X)
# 4. Addressing Class Imbalance
# We will use random oversampling to balance the classes.
# First, concatenate the features and target for easy manipulation
df_balanced = pd.concat([pd.DataFrame(X_scaled), y], axis=1)
# Separate the minority and majority classes
df_majority = df_balanced[df_balanced['label'] == 1]
df_minority = df_balanced[df_balanced['label'] == 0]
# Upsample the minority class
df_minority_upsampled = resample(df_minority,
                                                   # Sample with replacement
                                 n_samples=len(df_majority), # Match the majority class siz
                                 random_state=42) # For reproducibility
# Combine the majority class with the upsampled minority class
df_balanced_upsampled = pd.concat([df_majority, df_minority_upsampled])
# Separate the features and target again after upsampling
X_balanced = df_balanced_upsampled.drop(columns=['label'])
y_balanced = df_balanced_upsampled['label']
# 5. Train-Test Split
# Split the data into training and testing sets (80% train, 20% test)
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X_balanced, y_balanced, test_size=0.2, r
# 3. Scaling Numerical Features (Standardization)
scaler = StandardScaler()
X_train_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X_train)
X_test_scaled = scaler.transform(X_test) # Use the same scaler to transform the test set
```

```
#O. Outlier namuring (if needed)

# We already used z-scores during EDA to handle outliers, so this step has been h

# Display the processed data information

X_train.shape, X_test.shape, y_train.shape, y_test.shape

((215760, 51), (53940, 51), (215760,), (53940,))
```

This preprocessing ensures that the data is properly prepared for model training, with balanced classes and standardized features. Key Steps: Handling Categorical Data: Since the dataset consists of only numerical features, we don't need to encode categorical columns. All features are ready for model use.

Feature Selection: We retain all features for now as we found useful information in the features during EDA. Feature engineering can be applied later if necessary.

Scaling Numerical Features: All numerical features are standardized using StandardScaler to ensure they have a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1.

Class Imbalance: The dataset has an imbalance, with phishing URLs (1) being more frequent than legitimate URLs (0). To address this, we oversample the minority class (legitimate URLs) using resample to ensure the classes are balanced in the training data.

Train-Test Split: The dataset is split into 80% training data and 20% testing data to evaluate the model effectively.

Outlier Handling: Outliers were previously handled in the EDA step using z-scores, so we don't need additional handling here.

### **Model Training**

Now that the data preprocessing is complete, we can move forward with the model training phase. This step involves choosing the appropriate machine learning model, training it using the prepared dataset, evaluating its performance, and fine-tuning the model as needed. Below are the steps involved in the model training process:

#### Random Forest

For a binary classification task like this one (phishing vs legitimate URLs), we can choose from several algorithms. In this case, we will use a Random Forest Classifier, which is a powerful ensemble learning method based on decision trees. Random Forest is a great choice for handling both classification and regression tasks, as it performs well with imbalanced data, is robust to overfitting, and can handle both numerical and categorical features.

import time

```
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from xgboost import XGBClassifier
from sklearn.svm import SVC

from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, precision_score, recall_score, f1_score
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report
from sklearn.metrics import ConfusionMatrixDisplay
from sklearn.metrics import precision_recall_curve
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
from sklearn.metrics import roc_curve, roc_auc_score , auc
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer

# 1. Train and Evaluate Random Forest Classifier

# 5. model_selection_score(lassifier(n_ostimtops=100_pandom_state=12)
```

```
# 1. Train and Evaluate Random Forest Classifier
rfc_model = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)
rfc_model.fit(X_train_scaled, y_train)
rfc_y_pred = rfc_model.predict(X_test_scaled)
```

```
# 2. Train and Evaluate XGBoost Classifier
xgb_model = XGBClassifier(random_state=42)
xgb_model.fit(X_train_scaled, y_train)
xgb_y_pred = xgb_model.predict(X_test_scaled)
```

```
# Assuming X and y are your original data
# 1. Impute missing values using SimpleImputer
imputer = SimpleImputer(strategy='mean') # Replace with your preferred strategy
X imputed = imputer.fit transform(X)
# 2. Split data into training and testing sets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
    X_imputed, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42, stratify=y
)
# 3. Scale numerical features
scaler = StandardScaler()
X_train_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X_train)
X test scaled = scaler.transform(X test)
# 4. Train the SVM model
svm_model = SVC(kernel='linear', random_state=42)
svm_model.fit(X_train_scaled, y_train)
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                     SVC
     SVC(kernel='linear', random_state=42)
# Function to compute metrics and plot confusion matrix
def evaluate_model(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)
    conf_matrix = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
    # Display metrics
    print(f"{model_name} - Accuracy: {accuracy:.2f}")
    print(f"{model name} - Precision: {precision:.2f}")
    print(f"{model_name} - Recall: {recall:.2f}")
    print(f"{model_name} - F1: {f1:.2f}")
    # Plot confusion matrix
    plt.figure(figsize=(6, 6))
    sns.heatmap(conf_matrix, annot=True, fmt='d', cmap='Blues', xticklabels=['Legitimate', '
    plt.title(f"{model_name} - Confusion Matrix")
    plt.xlabel('Predicted')
    plt.ylabel('Actual')
    plt.show()
    return accuracy, precision, recall, f1, conf_matrix
```

# Evaluate Random Forest Classifier

# Assuming rfc\_model, xgb\_model, and svm\_model are trained

```
# and X_test_scaled, y_test are from the SVM preprocessing (cell 57)

# Predictions for Random Forest

rfc_y_pred = rfc_model.predict(X_test_scaled)
evaluate_model(y_test, rfc_y_pred, "Random Forest")

# Predictions for XGBoost

xgb_y_pred = xgb_model.predict(X_test_scaled)
evaluate_model(y_test, xgb_y_pred, "XGBoost")

# Predictions for SVM (already done in cell 57)
# ... (no need to predict again)
evaluate_model(y_test, svm_model.predict(X_test_scaled), "SVM")
```

**₹** 

Random Forest - Accuracy: 0.51 Random Forest - Precision: 0.56 Random Forest - Recall: 0.70 Random Forest - F1: 0.62

# Random Forest - Confusion Matrix

