

# Project description

The gym chain Model Fitness is developing a customer interaction strategy based on analytical data.

One of the most common problems gyms and other services face is customer churn. How do you know if a customer is no longer with you? You can calculate churn based on people who get rid of their accounts or don't renew their contracts. However, sometimes it's not obvious that a client has left: they may walk out on tiptoes.

Churn indicators vary from field to field. If a user buys from an online store rarely but regularly, you can't say they're a runaway. But if for two weeks they haven't opened a channel that's updated daily, that's a reason to worry: your follower might have gotten bored and left you.

For a gym, it makes sense to say a customer has left if they don't come for a month. Of course, it's possible they're in Cancun and will resume their visits when they return, but that's not a typical case. Usually, if a customer joins, comes a few times, then disappears, they're unlikely to come back. In order to fight churn, Model Fitness has digitized a number of its customer profiles. Your task is to analyze them and come up with a customer retention strategy.

You should:

- Learn to predict the probability of churn (for the upcoming month) for each customer
- Draw up typical user portraits: select the most outstanding groups and describe their main features
- Analyze the factors that impact churn most
- Draw basic conclusions and develop recommendations on how to improve customer service:
  - Identify target groups
  - Suggest measures to cut churn
  - Describe any other patterns you see with respect to interaction with customers

Model Fitness provided us with CSV files containing data on churn for a given month and information on the month preceding it.

The dataset includes the following fields:

- 'Churn' — the fact of churn for the month in question
- Current dataset fields:
  - User data for the preceding month
    - 'gender'

- 'Near\_Location' — whether the user lives or works in the neighborhood where the gym is located
- 'Partner' — whether the user is an employee of a partner company (the gym has partner companies whose employees get discounts; in those cases the gym stores information on customers' employers)
- Promo\_friends — whether the user originally signed up through a "bring a friend" offer (they used a friend's promo code when paying for their first membership)
- 'Phone' — whether the user provided their phone number
- 'Age'
- 'Lifetime' — the time (in months) since the customer first came to the gym
- Data from the log of visits and purchases and data on current membership status
  - 'Contract\_period' — 1 month, 3 months, 6 months, or 1 year
  - 'Month\_to\_end\_contract' — the months remaining until the contract expires
  - 'Group\_visits' — whether the user takes part in group sessions
  - 'Avg\_class\_frequency\_total' — average frequency of visits per week over the customer's lifetime
  - 'Avg\_class\_frequency\_current\_month' — average frequency of visits per week over the preceding month
  - 'Avg\_additional\_charges\_total' — the total amount of money spent on other gym services: cafe, athletic goods, cosmetics, massages, etc.