

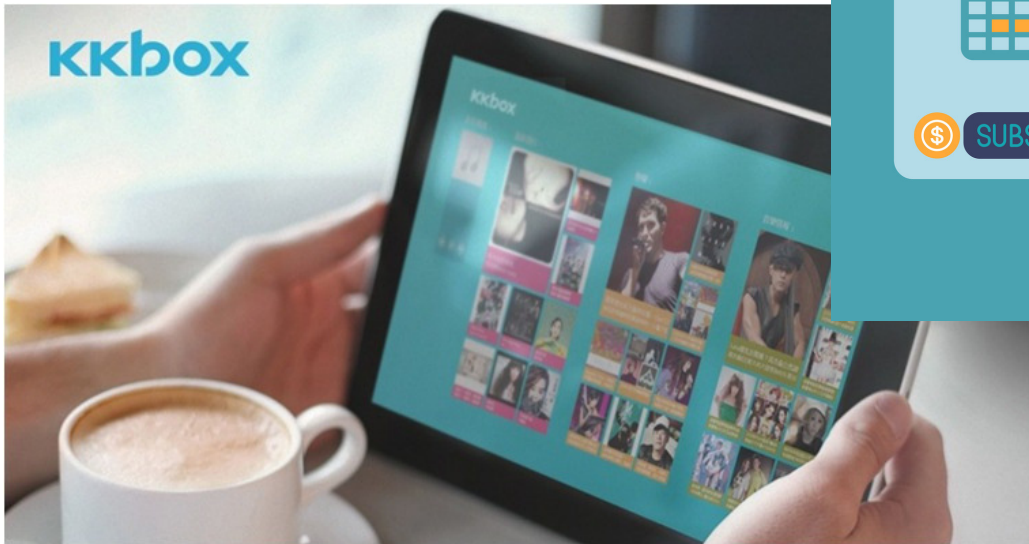
To churn  
or not to churn?

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Python

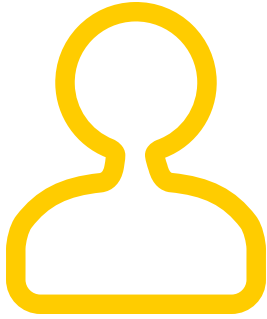
The KKBOX  
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# KKBOX and the meaning of Churn



# The DATA



members



user logs



transactions

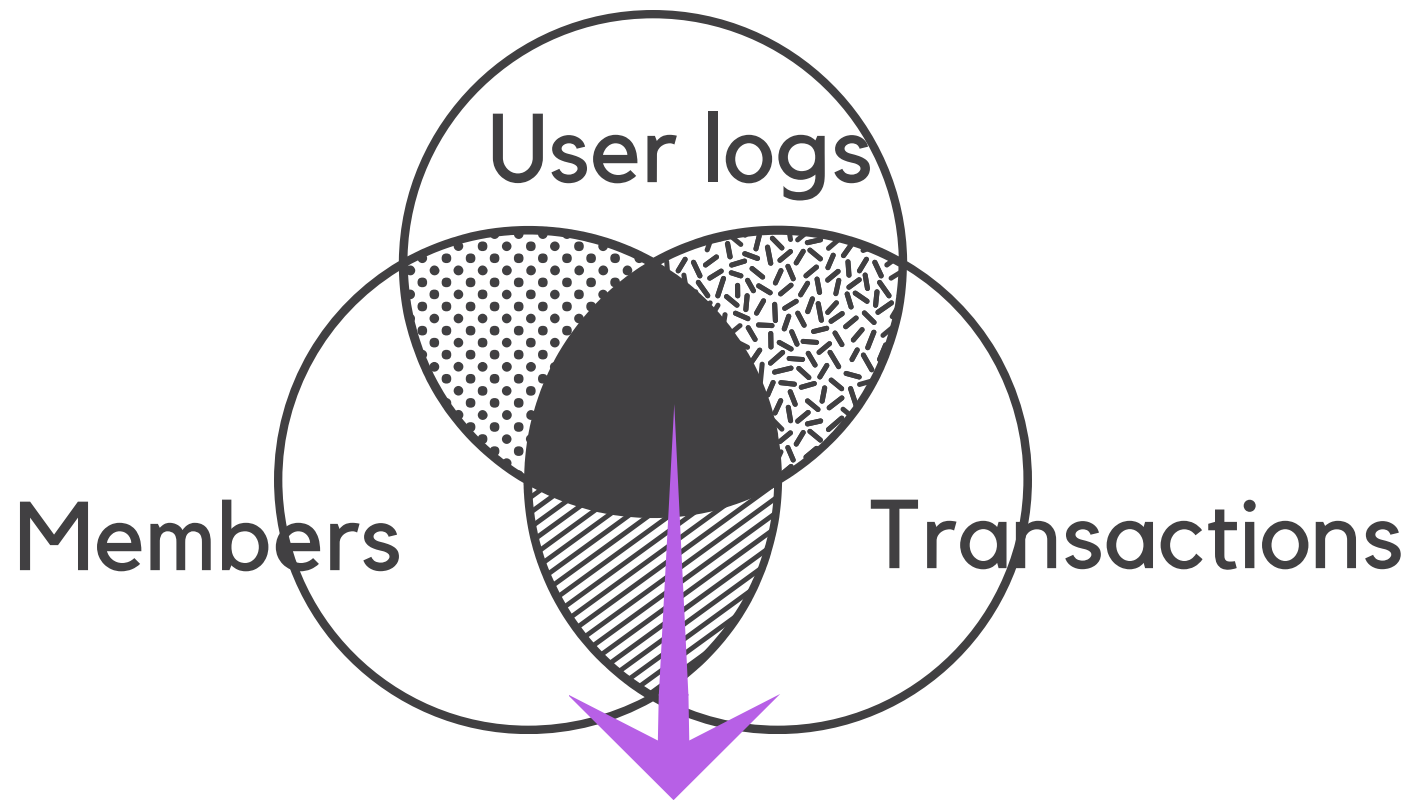


train

# Data Preparation

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## Reduce height : Data selection and aggregation



# 6 months view

# Data Cleaning and Transformation

Generating new attributes:

- total\_churn based on transactions
- monthly aggregated usage activities

Removing abnormal values:

- age up to 2000?
- days below 0?

Treating missing and null values:

- categorical: replace with most common
- numeric: replace with mean



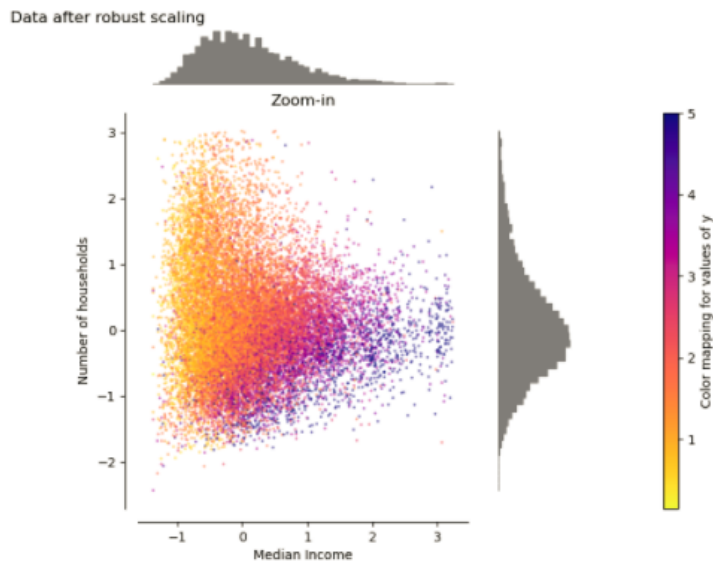
# Split and standardize train set

RobustScaler  
↓  
Undersample  
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Apply ANN and DT

Handle outliers with  
isolation forest  
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StandardScaler  
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Undersample  
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Apply ANN and DT

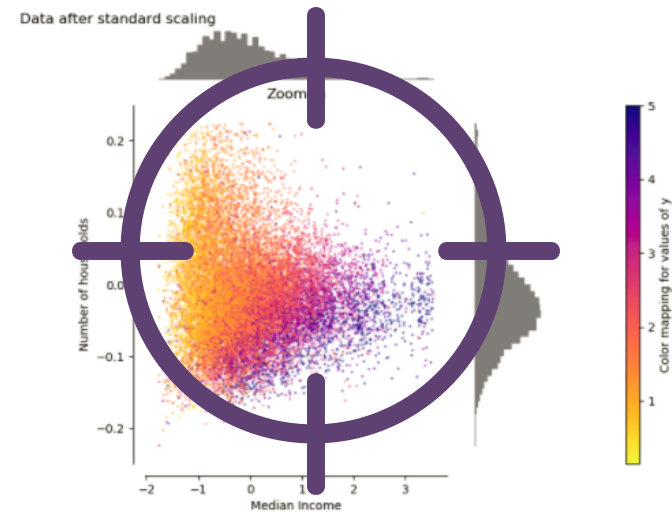
# Balance train dataset and evaluate

## RobustScaler



**ANN: 90.82**  
**DT: 88.59**

## StandardScaler

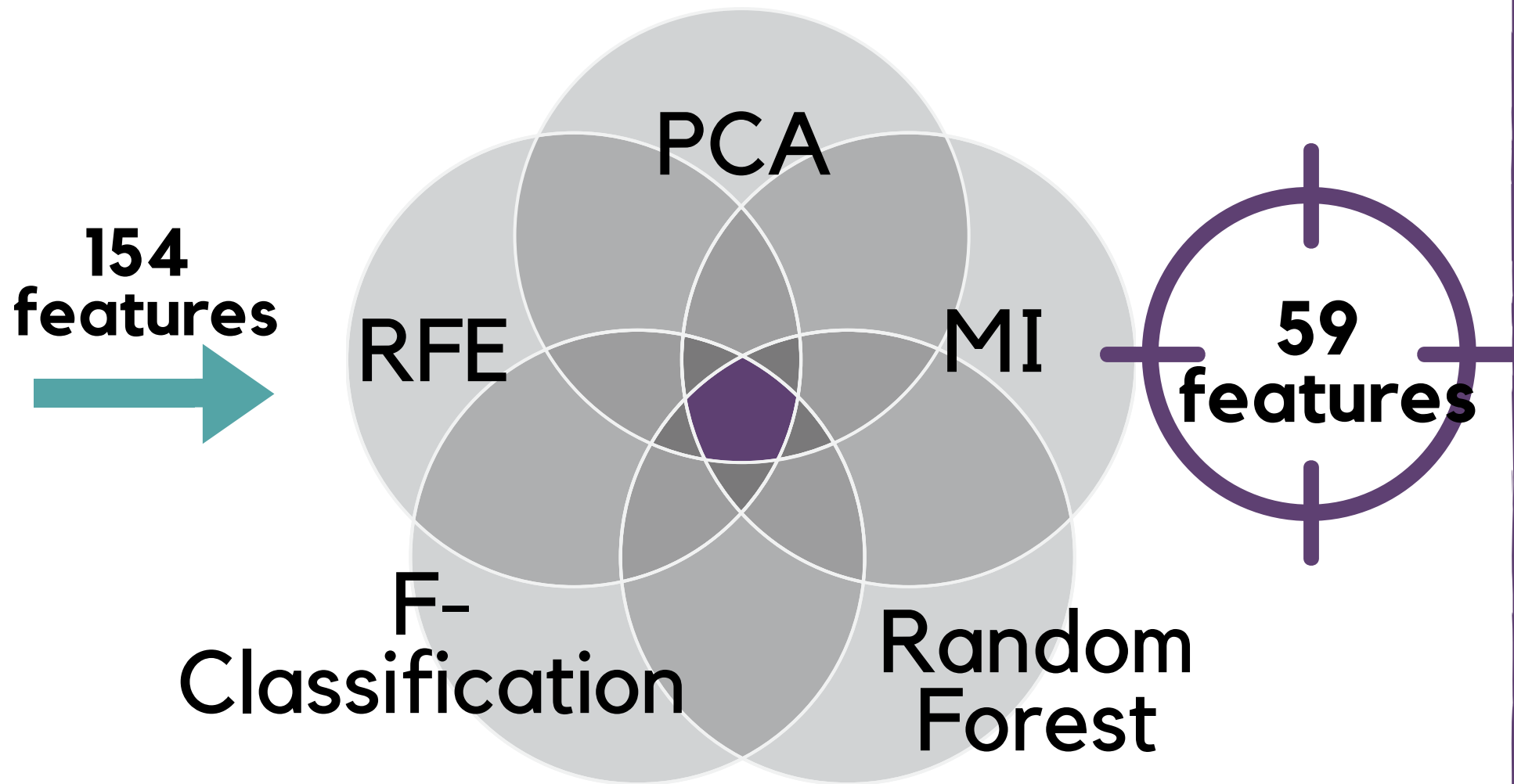


**ANN: 91.89**  
**DT: 89.66**



# Reduce width: Feature selection

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# Data Mining

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Models

Logistic Regression

SVM

K-NN

Nearest Centroid

Naive Bayes

Decision Tree

ANN

# In Search for the best model...

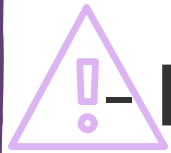
Approach: start with a baseline model for each algorithm, fine-tune the parameters locally and then compare the chosen best models globally .

- K-NN : optimal number for K?
- DT : combination of parameters, pure nodes removal?
- ANN : optimiser function, features, hidden layers/units?
- Logistic Regression : optimal features subset, C value?
- SVM : kernel, optimal gamma, C ?
- Naive Bayes/ Nearest Centroid : optimal features subset?



Grid  
Search

# Evaluation Metrics



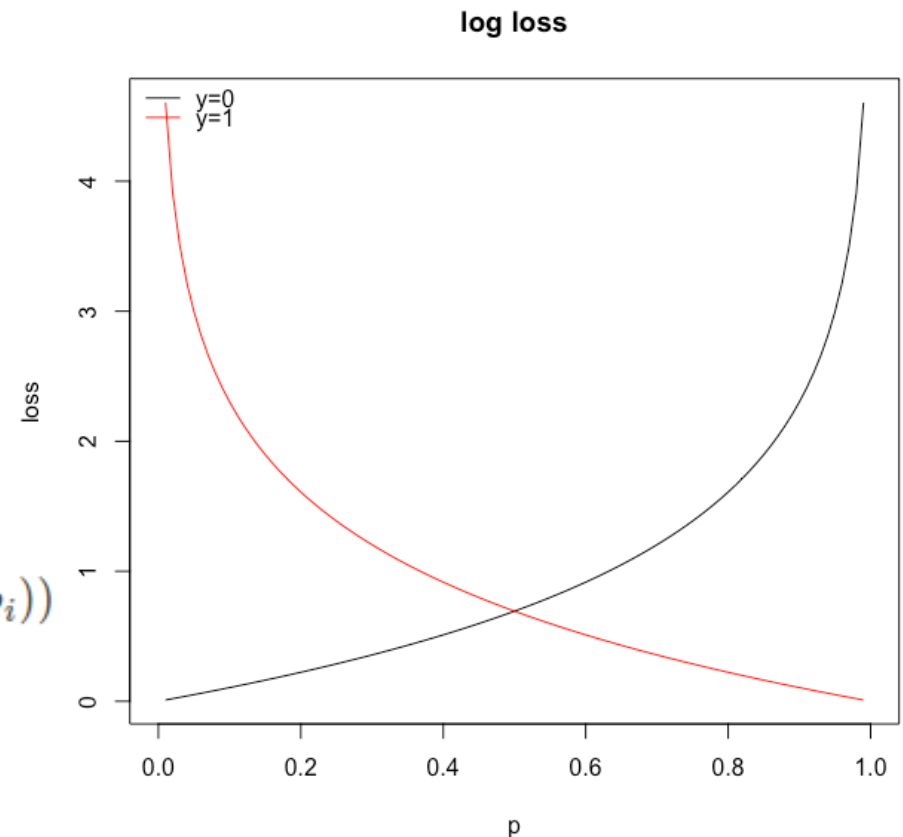
- Not accuracy: count of correct predictions

- Recall , Precision and F1-score

- ROC curve and AUC

♥ - **Log-loss** : account for the uncertainty of your prediction

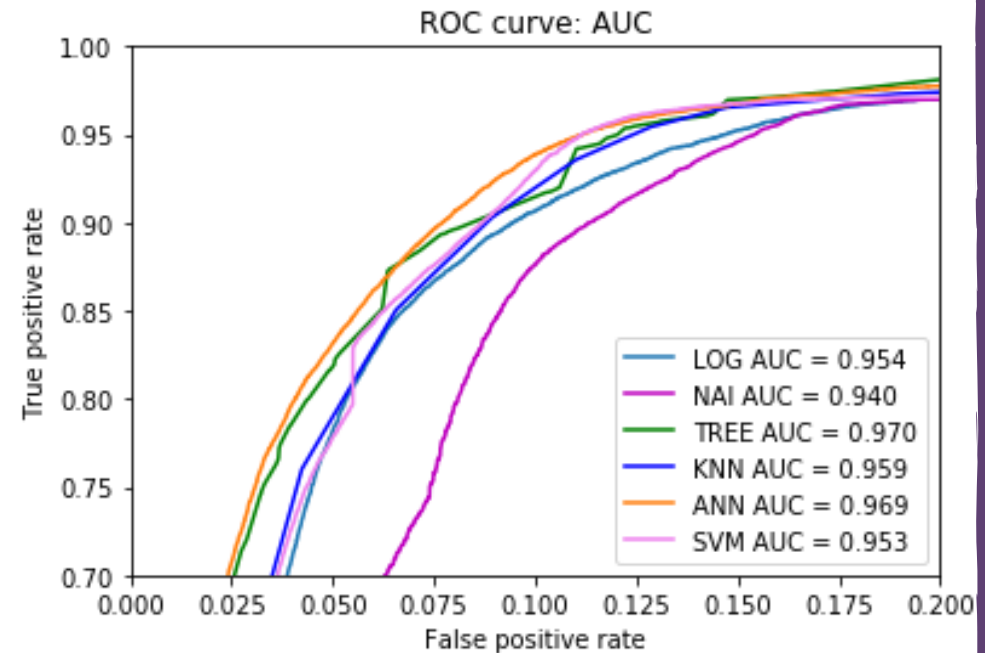
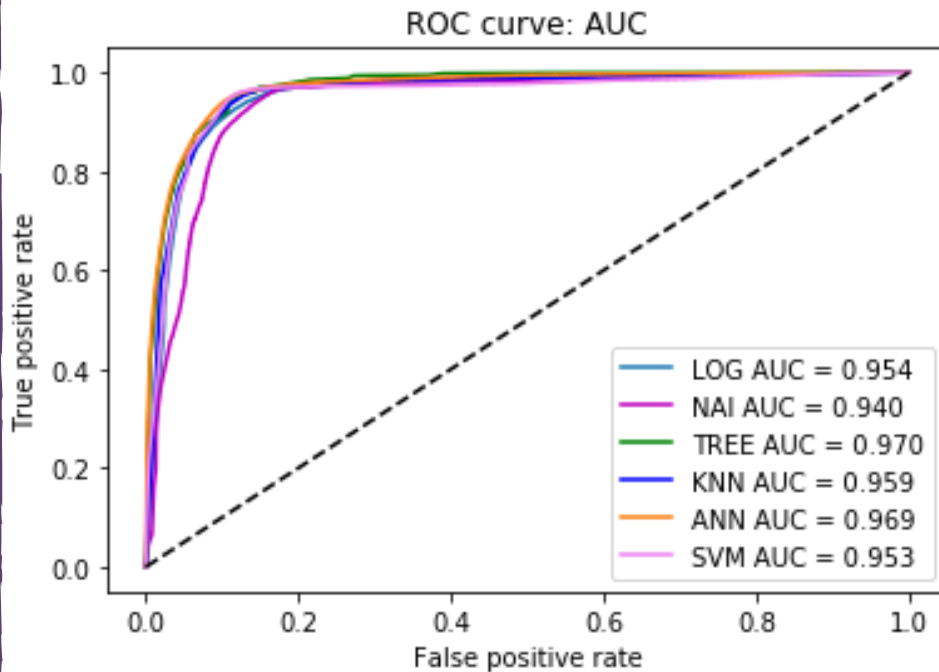
$$\text{logloss} = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i \log(p_i) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - p_i))$$



# Performance Evaluation

Evaluation	K-NN	NC	LogR	DT	ANN	NB	SVM
AUC	0,96	-	0,95	0,97	0,97	0,94	0,95
Log Loss	0,82	-	0,27	0,20	0,21	0,63	0,27
Precision-avg/total	0,95	0,95	0,95	0,95	0,96	0,95	0,95
Recall-avg/total	0,89	0,89	0,89	0,90	0,91	0,84	0,89
F1 Score -avg/total	0,91	0,91	0,91	0,92	0,92	0,87	0,91
Precision-class 1	0,37	0,36	0,37	0,39	0,41	0,27	0,36
Recall-class 1	0,89	0,86	0,92	0,92	0,93	0,97	0,96
F1 Score-class 1	0,53	0,50	0,53	0,54	0,57	0,43	0,53

# ROC curve AUC



# Conclusion and Outlook

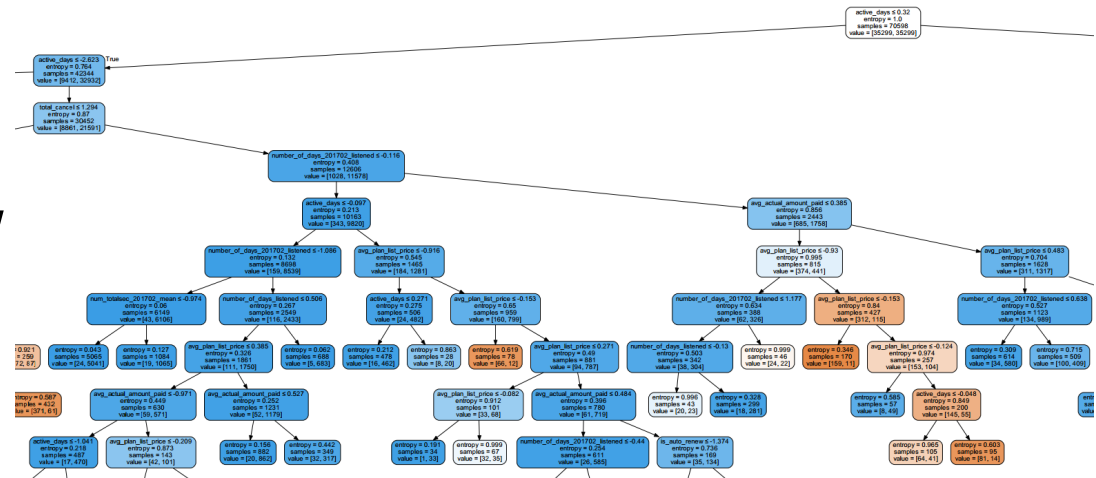


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# Decision Tree

Optimal parameters:

- criterion='entropy',
- min impurity decrease=0.000015,
- max depth=15,
- max leaf nodes=None,
- min samples leaf=10,
- min samples split=20



## Predicted

Actual

	0	1
0	219,970	25,580
1	1436	15,857

# Discussion

## Drawbacks:

- other balancing approaches: oversampling
- scale out to the whole timeframe (3 years)

## Outlook:

- hybrid model\*

\*Lee, Jae, and Jin Lee. "Customer churn prediction by hybrid model." Advanced Data Mining and Applications (2006): 959-966.

# Thank You !

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# Questions?

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# Decision Tree on train data before standardization and balancing

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		Predicted	
		0	1
Actual	0	243,240	2310
	1	8212	9081

# Top Features

- active days
- total churn
- total cancel
- actual payment
- registration method
- total\_sec\_listened
- total\_days\_listened
- ....

