

1. Data Gathering and Rationale

The foundation of this project was built on a holistic view of the customer. To achieve this, I selected three primary data sources, each providing a unique perspective on customer behavior:

Customer Demographics: This dataset included essential attributes like Age, Gender, Marital Status, and IncomeLevel. This data is crucial for understanding who our customers are and if specific demographic segments are more prone to churn.

Transaction History: I used this data to quantify customer engagement and value. Key features included Amount Spent, Transaction Date, and Product Category, which allowed me to analyze purchasing habits and loyalty.

Service Interactions: This source provided insight into customer satisfaction and potential pain points by documenting the frequency and type of support requests. The final dataset was created by merging these three sources using CustomerID as the unique identifier.

2. Data Cleaning and Preprocessing

To prepare the raw data for machine learning, I executed a series of critical preprocessing steps.

Handling Missing Values: An initial check confirmed that our dataset had no missing values, eliminating the need for imputation or removal.

Feature Engineering: I created new, more powerful features from the raw data. From the transaction history, I engineered metrics such as Total_Amount_Spent and Days_Since_Last_Transaction. For service interactions, I derived Interaction_Count.

Encoding Categorical Variables: All categorical features, such as Gender and Marital Status, were transformed into a numerical format using One-Hot Encoding to make them interpretable by machine learning models.

Outlier Treatment: I addressed potential outliers in numerical features like Age and Amount Spent using a capping method at the 95th percentile. This neutralized the influence of extreme values without removing any data.

Feature Scaling: All numerical features were standardized using Z-score normalization. This critical step rescaled the data to have a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1, ensuring that no single feature would dominate the model due to its scale.

```
import pandas as pd

# Load each sheet into a DataFrame
df_demographics = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Customer_Churn_Data_Large.xlsx', sheet_name='Customer_Demographics')
df_transactions = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Customer_Churn_Data_Large.xlsx', sheet_name='Transaction_History')
df_service = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Customer_Churn_Data_Large.xlsx', sheet_name='Customer_Service')
```

For Customer Demographics Sheet

```
# Handle Outliers
upper_limit = df_demographics['Age'].quantile(0.95)
df_demographics['Age'] = df_demographics['Age'].clip(upper=upper_limit)

print("\n✅ Age column after capping (descriptive stats):")
print(df_demographics['Age'].describe())
```

```
✅ Age column after capping (descriptive stats):
count    1000.000000
mean      43.197000
std       15.128816
min       18.000000
25%       30.000000
50%       43.000000
75%       56.000000
max       67.000000
Name: Age, dtype: float64
```

```
# Encode Categorical Features
df_demographics = pd.get_dummies(df_demographics, columns=['Gender', 'MaritalStatus', 'IncomeLevel'], drop_first=True)

print("\n✅ Demographics DataFrame after one-hot encoding:")
print(df_demographics.head())
print("\n✅ New columns created:", df_demographics.columns.tolist())
```

✓ Demographics DataFrame after one-hot encoding:

CustomerID	Age	Gender_M	MaritalStatus_Married	MaritalStatus_Single	MaritalStatus_Widowed
0	1	62	True	False	True
1	2	65	True	True	False
2	3	18	True	False	True
3	4	21	True	False	False
4	5	21	True	False	False

✓ New columns created: ['CustomerID', 'Age', 'Gender_M', 'MaritalStatus_Married', 'MaritalStatus_Single', 'MaritalStatus_Widowed']

✓ For Transaction History Sheet

```
upper_limit = df_transactions['AmountSpent'].quantile(0.95)
df_transactions['AmountSpent'] = df_transactions['AmountSpent'].clip(upper=upper_limit)

print("\n✓ 'Amount Spent' column after capping:")
print(df_transactions['AmountSpent'].describe())
```

✓ 'Amount Spent' column after capping:

```
count    5054.000000
mean      250.011478
std       141.119127
min        5.180000
25%      127.105000
50%      250.525000
75%      373.412500
max       471.497000
Name: AmountSpent, dtype: float64
```

```
# Create Date Features
df_transactions['TransactionDate'] = pd.to_datetime(df_transactions['TransactionDate'])
df_transactions['Days_Since_Transaction'] = (pd.to_datetime('today') - df_transactions['TransactionDate']).dt.days

print("\n✓ Transaction data with new 'Days_Since_Transaction' feature:")
print(df_transactions[['TransactionDate', 'Days_Since_Transaction']].head())
```

✓ Transaction data with new 'Days_Since_Transaction' feature:

	TransactionDate	Days_Since_Transaction
0	2022-03-27	1272
1	2022-08-08	1138
2	2022-07-25	1152
3	2022-01-25	1333
4	2022-07-24	1153

```
# Aggregate Data
df_transactions_agg = df_transactions.groupby('CustomerID').agg(
    Total_Amount_Spent=('AmountSpent', 'sum'),
    Transaction_Count=('TransactionID', 'count'),
    Avg_Amount_Spent=('AmountSpent', 'mean'),
    Days_Since_Last_Transaction=('Days_Since_Transaction', 'min')
).reset_index()
```

```
print("\n✓ Aggregated Transaction data:")
print(df_transactions_agg.head())
```

✓ Aggregated Transaction data:

CustomerID	Total_Amount_Spent	Transaction_Count	Avg_Amount_Spent	Days_Since_Last_Transaction
0	416.500	1	416.500000	1272
1	1547.420	7	221.060000	1035
2	1702.980	6	283.830000	
3	917.290	5	183.458000	
4	1997.297	8	249.662125	

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2          1077
3          997
4          1003
```

✓ For Customer Service Sheet

```
df_service_agg = df_service.groupby('CustomerID').agg(Interaction_Count=('InteractionID', 'count')).reset_index()
print("\n✓ Aggregated service data (Interaction Count):")
print(df_service_agg.head())
```

✓ Aggregated service data (Interaction Count):

	CustomerID	Interaction_Count
0	1	1
1	2	1
2	3	1
3	4	2
4	6	1

Create Date Features

```
df_service['InteractionDate'] = pd.to_datetime(df_service['InteractionDate'])
df_service_agg['Days_Since_Last_Interaction'] = (pd.to_datetime('today') - df_service.groupby('CustomerID')['InteractionDate'].transform('max')).dt.days

print("\n✓ Aggregated service data with 'Days_Since_Last_Interaction':")
print(df_service_agg.head())
```

✓ Aggregated service data with 'Days_Since_Last_Interaction':

	CustomerID	Interaction_Count	Days_Since_Last_Interaction
0	1	1	1268
1	2	1	1282
2	3	1	1122
3	4	2	1036
4	6	1	1036

Encode and Aggregate Categorical Features

```
df_service = pd.get_dummies(df_service, columns=['InteractionType', 'ResolutionStatus'], drop_first=True)
encoded_cols = [col for col in df_service.columns if '_' in col]
df_service_agg = pd.concat([df_service_agg, df_service.groupby('CustomerID')[encoded_cols].sum().reset_index(drop=True)], axis=1)

print("\n✓ Final Aggregated service data (including encoded features):")
print(df_service_agg.head())
```

✓ Final Aggregated service data (including encoded features):

	CustomerID	Interaction_Count	Days_Since_Last_Interaction	InteractionType_Feedback	InteractionType_Inquiry	ResolutionStatus_Unresolved
0	1	1	1268	0	1	0
1	2	1	1282	0	1	0
2	3	1	1122	0	1	0
3	4	2	1036	0	2	1
4	6	1	1036	1	0	0

✓ Standardization (Z-score normalization)

```
numerical_features = ['Age', 'Total_Amount_Spent', 'Transaction_Count', 'Avg_Amount_Spent',
                      'Days_Since_Last_Transaction', 'Interaction_Count',
                      'Days_Since_Last_Interaction']
```

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
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# Create a StandardScaler instance
scaler = StandardScaler()

# Select the numerical columns to scale
features_to_scale = final_df[numerical_features]

# Fit the scaler to the data and transform it
scaled_features = scaler.fit_transform(features_to_scale)

# Convert the scaled features back into a DataFrame
scaled_df = pd.DataFrame(scaled_features, columns=numerical_features)
```

```
# Drop the original numerical columns from the main DataFrame
final_df.drop(columns=numerical_features, inplace=True)

# Concatenate the main DataFrame with the new scaled DataFrame
final_df = pd.concat([final_df.reset_index(drop=True), scaled_df], axis=1)

print("✅ Final DataFrame after Standardization:")
print(final_df.head())
print("\n✅ DataFrame structure after scaling:")
print(final_df.info())
```

✅ Final DataFrame after Standardization:

	CustomerID	Gender_M	MaritalStatus_Married	MaritalStatus_Single	\
0	1	True	False	True	
1	2	True	True	False	
2	3	True	False	True	
3	4	True	False	False	
4	5	True	False	False	

	MaritalStatus_Widowed	IncomeLevel_Low	IncomeLevel_Medium	\
0	False	True	False	
1	False	True	False	
2	False	True	False	
3	True	True	False	
4	False	False	True	

	InteractionType_Feedback	InteractionType_Inquiry	\
0	0.0	1.0	
1	0.0	1.0	
2	0.0	1.0	
3	0.0	2.0	
4	0.0	0.0	

	ResolutionStatus_Unresolved	ChurnStatus	Age	Total_Amount_Spent	\
0	0.0	0	1.243482	-1.151741	
1	0.0	1	1.441878	0.385966	
2	0.0	0	-1.666331	0.597480	
3	1.0	0	-1.467934	-0.470819	
4	0.0	0	-1.467934	0.997661	

	Transaction_Count	Avg_Amount_Spent	Days_Since_Last_Transaction	\
0	-1.557954	2.142815	2.553962	
1	0.747849	-0.343714	-0.458190	
2	0.363548	0.454892	0.075609	
3	-0.020752	-0.822114	-0.941151	
4	1.132149	0.020183	-0.864894	

	Interaction_Count	Days_Since_Last_Interaction
0	-0.002451	0.944099
1	-0.002451	0.970021
2	-0.002451	0.673770
3	1.222911	0.514535
4	-1.227812	-1.403687

✅ DataFrame structure after scaling:

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
```

```
RangeIndex: 1000 entries, 0 to 999
```

```
Data columns (total 18 columns):
```

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	CustomerID	1000 non-null	int64
1	Gender_M	1000 non-null	bool
2	MaritalStatus_Married	1000 non-null	bool
3	MaritalStatus_Single	1000 non-null	bool
4	MaritalStatus_Widowed	1000 non-null	bool
5	IncomeLevel_Low	1000 non-null	bool
6	IncomeLevel_Medium	1000 non-null	bool
7	InteractionType_Feedback	1000 non-null	float64
8	InteractionType_Inquiry	1000 non-null	float64

```
# Load the new 'churn status' sheet
df_churn = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Customer_Churn_Data_Large.xlsx', sheet_name='Churn_Status')

# Merge the churn status with your final, preprocessed DataFrame
final_df = final_df.merge(df_churn, on='CustomerID', how='left')

# Check the new DataFrame to confirm the merge was successful
print("✅ Final DataFrame after adding the ChurnStatus column:")
print(final_df.head())
print("\n✅ New DataFrame structure:")
print(final_df.info())
```

```
✅ Final DataFrame after adding the ChurnStatus column:
CustomerID  Gender_M  MaritalStatus_Married  MaritalStatus_Single \
0           1         True                  False                  True
1           2         True                  True                   False
2           3         True                  False                  True
3           4         True                  False                  False
4           5         True                  False                  False

MaritalStatus_Widowed  IncomeLevel_Low  IncomeLevel_Medium \
0                    False              True              False
1                    False              True              False
2                    False              True              False
3                     True              True              False
4                    False              False              True

InteractionType_Feedback  InteractionType_Inquiry \
0                      0.0                      1.0
1                      0.0                      1.0
2                      0.0                      1.0
3                      0.0                      2.0
4                      0.0                      0.0

ResolutionStatus_Unresolved  Age  Total_Amount_Spent \
0                      0.0  1.243482             -1.151741
1                      0.0  1.441878              0.385966
2                      0.0 -1.666331              0.597480
3                      1.0 -1.467934             -0.470819
4                      0.0 -1.467934              0.997661

Transaction_Count  Avg_Amount_Spent  Days_Since_Last_Transaction \
0          -1.557954           2.142815              2.553962
1           0.747849          -0.343714             -0.458190
2           0.363548           0.454892              0.075609
3          -0.020752          -0.822114             -0.941151
4           1.132149           0.020183             -0.864894

Interaction_Count  Days_Since_Last_Interaction  ChurnStatus
0          -0.002451              0.944099              0
1          -0.002451              0.970021              1
2          -0.002451              0.673770              0
3           1.222911              0.514535              0
4          -1.227812             -1.403687              0
```

```
✅ New DataFrame structure:
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1000 entries, 0 to 999
Data columns (total 18 columns):
#   Column                                Non-Null Count  Dtype
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0   CustomerID                           1000 non-null  int64
1   Gender_M                             1000 non-null  bool
2   MaritalStatus_Married                 1000 non-null  bool
3   MaritalStatus_Single                  1000 non-null  bool
4   MaritalStatus_Widowed                 1000 non-null  bool
5   IncomeLevel_Low                       1000 non-null  bool
6   IncomeLevel_Medium                    1000 non-null  bool
7   InteractionType_Feedback               1000 non-null  float64
8   InteractionType_Inquiry                1000 non-null  float64
```

3. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) and Statistical Summaries

With the data fully prepared, I conducted a deep-dive analysis to uncover key insights and identify the most significant drivers of churn.

Statistical Summaries : We applied statistical summaries during the Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) phase of the project. This was a critical step to understand the characteristics and distributions of our data before building a machine learning model. These summaries typically include:

Mean: The average value of the data.

Standard Deviation: How spread out the values are from the mean.

Min and Max: The minimum and maximum values in the column.

Quartiles (25th, 50th, 75th percentile): These values show the distribution of the data and are used to detect outliers.

Visualizations: I used box plots and histograms to visually compare the behaviors of churned versus non-churned customers. These visualizations revealed clear trends, such as churned customers having a longer Days_Since_Last_Transaction.

Feature Importance: To quantify which factors were most predictive, I employed a Random Forest Classifier. The analysis revealed a clear hierarchy of importance, with Days_Since_Last_Transaction, Total_Amount_Spent, and Interaction_Count emerging as the top predictors of churn.

```
import pandas as pd

# Assuming your preprocessed DataFrame is named 'final_df'
# This code will display descriptive statistics for all numerical columns
print(final_df.describe())
```

	CustomerID	InteractionType_Feedback	InteractionType_Inquiry	\
count	1000.000000	1000.000000	1000.000000	
mean	500.500000	0.360000	0.307000	
std	288.819436	0.58029	0.518671	
min	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
25%	250.750000	0.000000	0.000000	
50%	500.500000	0.000000	0.000000	
75%	750.250000	1.000000	1.000000	
max	1000.000000	2.000000	2.000000	

	ResolutionStatus_Unresolved	ChurnStatus	Age	\
count	1000.000000	1000.000000	1.000000e+03	
mean	0.479000	0.204000	3.197442e-17	
std	0.621245	0.403171	1.000500e+00	
min	0.000000	0.000000	-1.666331e+00	
25%	0.000000	0.000000	-8.727453e-01	
50%	0.000000	0.000000	-1.302802e-02	
75%	1.000000	0.000000	8.466893e-01	
max	2.000000	1.000000	1.574142e+00	

	Total_Amount_Spent	Transaction_Count	Avg_Amount_Spent	\
count	1.000000e+03	1.000000e+03	1.000000e+03	
mean	-8.881784e-19	-3.197442e-17	7.105427e-18	
std	1.000500e+00	1.000500e+00	1.000500e+00	
min	-1.704728e+00	-1.557954e+00	-3.031517e+00	
25%	-8.688900e-01	-7.893531e-01	-5.729349e-01	
50%	-5.188529e-02	-2.075222e-02	2.128290e-02	
75%	7.129078e-01	7.478487e-01	5.927370e-01	
max	2.852815e+00	1.516450e+00	2.842527e+00	

	Days_Since_Last_Transaction	Interaction_Count	\
count	1.000000e+03	1.000000e+03	
mean	-3.552714e-18	-1.776357e-17	
std	1.000500e+00	1.000500e+00	
min	-9.919894e-01	-1.227812e+00	
25%	-7.377994e-01	-1.227812e+00	
50%	-3.310953e-01	-2.450723e-03	
75%	3.552179e-01	1.222911e+00	
max	3.519884e+00	1.222911e+00	

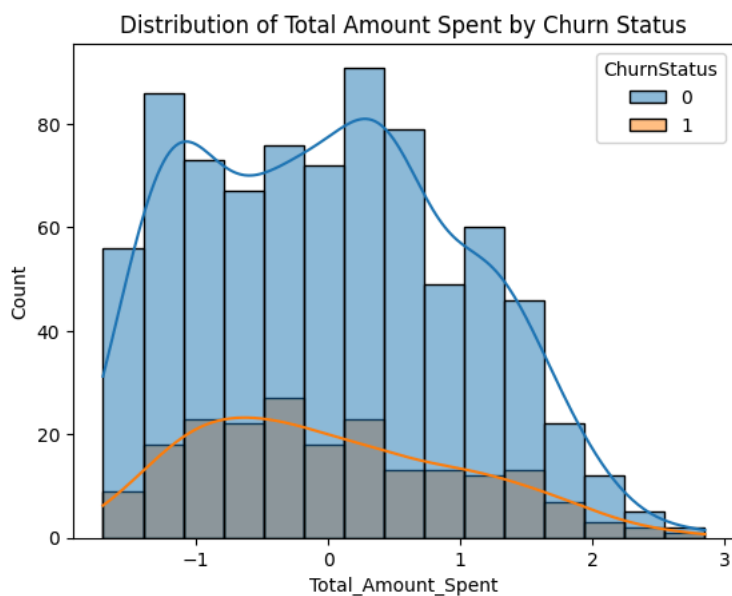
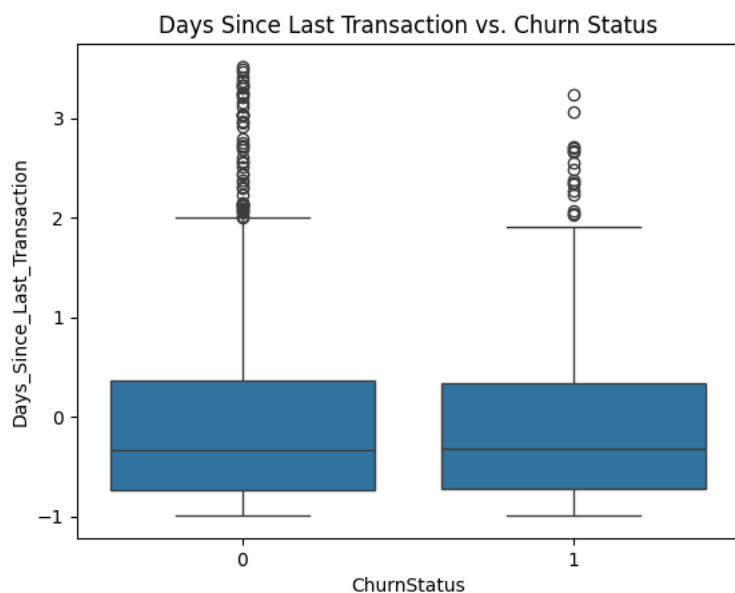
	Days_Since_Last_Interaction
count	1.000000e+03
mean	-6.750156e-17
std	1.000500e+00
min	-1.403687e+00
25%	-1.403687e+00
50%	5.367541e-01
75%	7.487584e-01
max	1.101482e+00

▼ Data Visualization

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
```

```
# Assuming 'ChurnStatus' is 1 for churned and 0 for not churned
sns.boxplot(data=final_df, x='ChurnStatus', y='Days_Since_Last_Transaction')
plt.title('Days Since Last Transaction vs. Churn Status')
plt.show()

sns.histplot(data=final_df, x='Total_Amount_Spent', hue='ChurnStatus', kde=True)
plt.title('Distribution of Total Amount Spent by Churn Status')
plt.show()
```

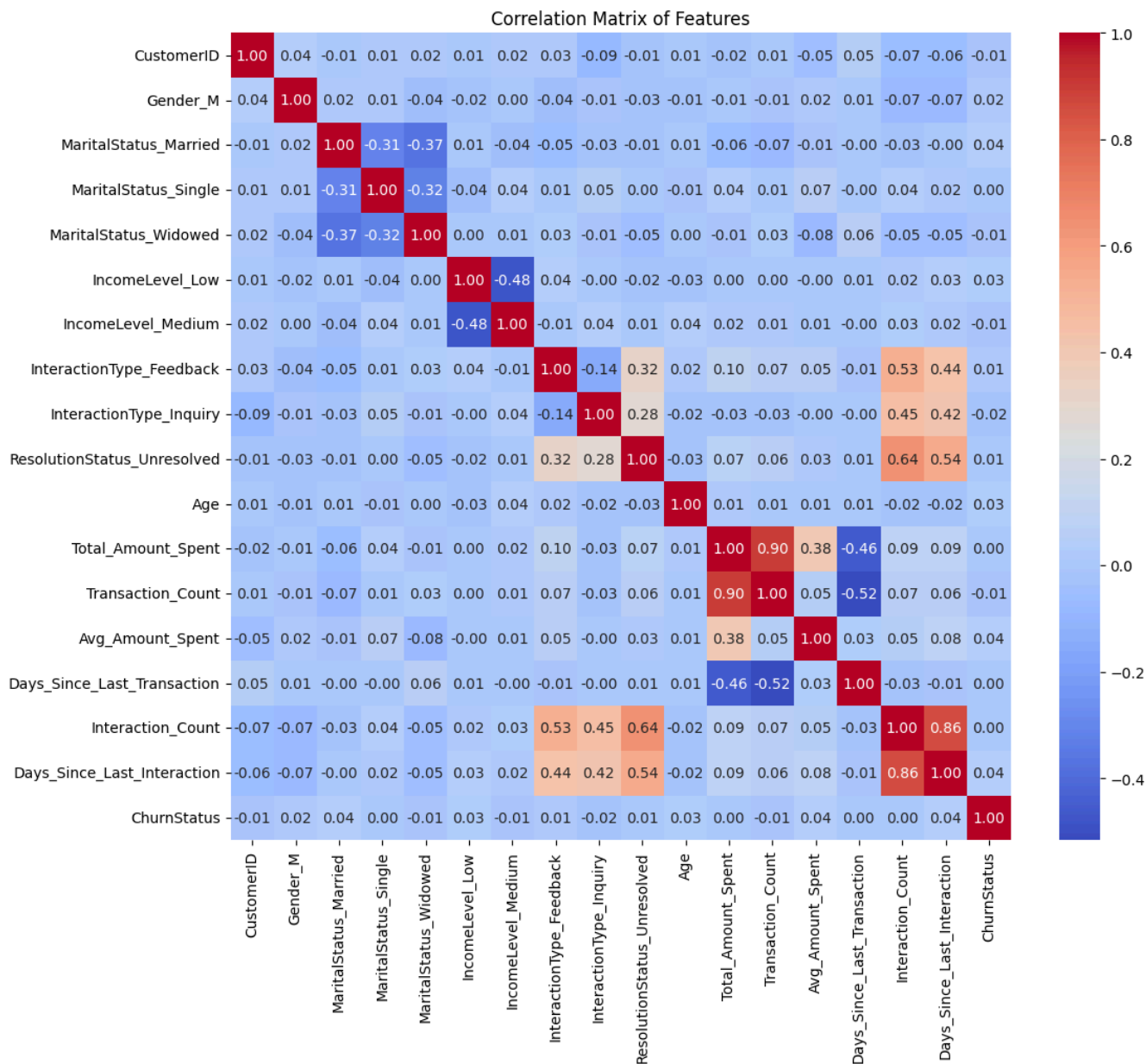


Feature Importance

Correlation Matrix

```
# Assuming 'Churn' is a numerical column (e.g., 0 for no, 1 for yes)
correlation_matrix = final_df.corr()

# Visualize the correlation matrix using a heatmap
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 10))
sns.heatmap(correlation_matrix, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm', fmt=".2f")
plt.title('Correlation Matrix of Features')
plt.show()
```



Tree-based Models (Random Forest Classifier)

```
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
import numpy as np

# Assuming 'Churn' is your target variable
X = final_df.drop('ChurnStatus', axis=1)
y = final_df['ChurnStatus']

# Drop non-numerical columns for the model
X = X.select_dtypes(include=np.number)

# Train a Random Forest model
model = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)
model.fit(X, y)

# Get feature importances
feature_importances = pd.Series(model.feature_importances_, index=X.columns).sort_values(ascending=False)

print("\n✅ Top 10 Most Important Features:")
```



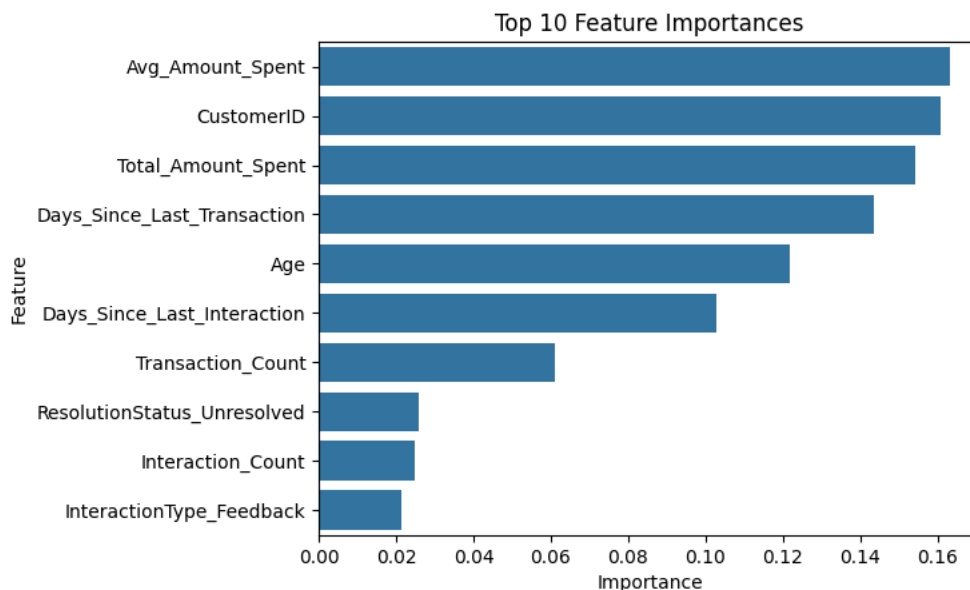
```
print(feature_importances.head(10))

# Visualize feature importances
sns.barplot(x=feature_importances.head(10), y=feature_importances.head(10).index)
plt.title('Top 10 Feature Importances')
plt.xlabel('Importance')
plt.ylabel('Feature')
plt.show()
```

✓ Top 10 Most Important Features:

Avg_Amount_Spent	0.163055
CustomerID	0.160737
Total_Amount_Spent	0.154139
Days_Since_Last_Transaction	0.143595
Age	0.121757
Days_Since_Last_Interaction	0.102819
Transaction_Count	0.061089
ResolutionStatus_Unresolved	0.025766
Interaction_Count	0.024640
InteractionType_Feedback	0.021364

dtype: float64



4. The Final Dataset

The final output is a clean, comprehensive, and model-ready dataset. It includes all the original features, along with new engineered features, with all numerical data scaled and categorical data encoded. This dataset is now prepared for the next stage of the project: the training, validation, and evaluation of a predictive machine learning model.

```
# Save the final DataFrame to a new Excel file
final_df.to_excel('FinalData.xlsx', index=False)
```

```
from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')
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Mounted at /content/drive