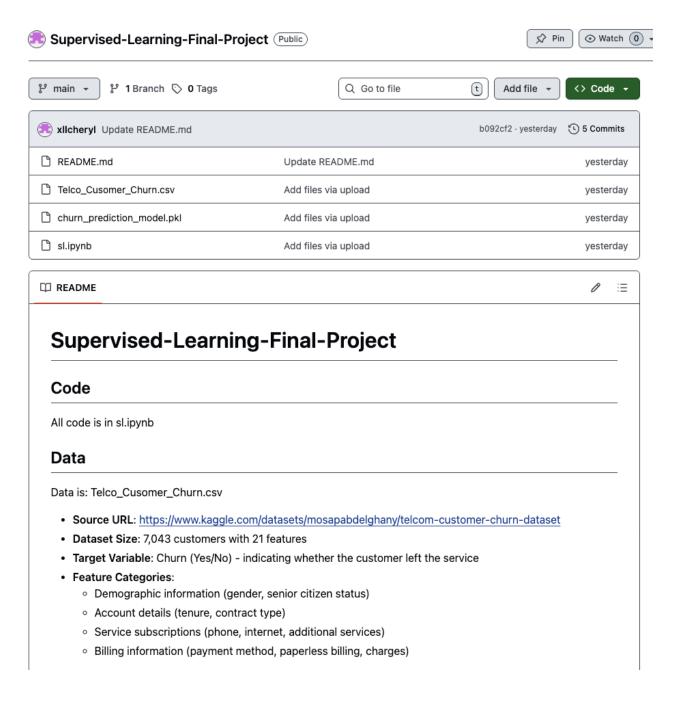
CSCA 5622 Supervised Learning Final Project

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GitHub Link

https://github.com/xllcheryl/Supervised -Learning-Final-Project.git



1. Project Overview



Analyzes customer churn in the telecommunications industry using machine learning techniques

Logistic Regression

K-Nearest Neighbors

Support Vector Machines

Tree-based Models



Customer churn represents one of the most critical business challenges for telecom companies, as acquiring new customers is typically 5-25 times more expensive than retaining existing ones.

2. Data Collection

Dataset Size: 7,043 customers with 21 features

Target Variable: Churn (Yes/No) - indicating whether the customer left the service

Feature Categories:

- Demographic information (gender, senior citizen status)
- Account details (tenure, contract type)
- Service subscriptions (phone, internet, additional services)
- Billing information (payment method, paperless billing, charges)

Source URL: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/mosapabdelghany/telcom-customer-churn-dataset

Target Variable Distribution

OVERALL CHURN RATE: 26.54%



3. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

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Distribution
analysis of
categorical and
numerical features

02

Correlation analysis between features and churn

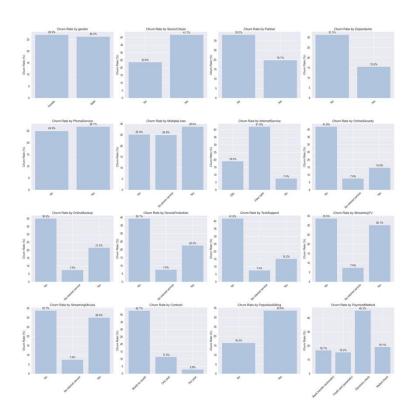
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Identification of patterns and relationships in the data

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Handling missing values and data quality issues

Variables Analysis

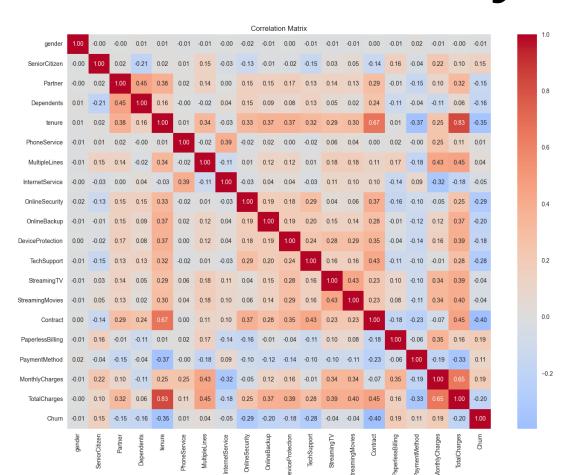


Distribution of tenure Distribution of MonthlyCharges Distribution of TotalCharges 1400 600 MonthlyCharges TotalCharges tenure by Churn Status MonthlyCharges by Churn Status TotalCharges by Churn Status

Categorical Variables Analysis

Numerical Variables Analysis

Correlation Analysis



Correlation with Churn			
Churn	1		
MonthlyCharges	0.193356		
PaperlessBilling	0.191825		
SeniorCitizen	0.150889		
PaymentMethod	0.107062		
MultipleLines	0.038037		
PhoneService	0.011942		
gender	-0.008612		
StreamingTV	-0.036581		
StreamingMovies	-0.038492		
InternetService	-0.047291		
Partner	-0.150448		
Dependents	-0.164221		
DeviceProtection	-0.178134		
OnlineBackup	-0.195525		
TotalCharges	-0.198324		
TechSupport	-0.282492		
OnlineSecurity	-0.289309		
tenure	-0.352229		
Contract	-0.396713		

Feature Engineering

	TenureGroup	MonthlyChargeGroup	TotalChargeGroup	NoAdditionalServices
0	0-1yr	Low	Low	False
1	2-4yr	Medium	Medium	False
2	0-1yr	Medium	Low	False
3	2-4yr	Medium	Medium	False
4	0-1yr	High	Low	True

- Categorical columns: gender, SeniorCitizen, Partner, Dependents, PhoneService, MultipleLines, InternetService, OnlineSecurity, OnlineBackup, DeviceProtection, TechSupport, StreamingTV, StreamingMovies, Contract, PaperlessBilling, PaymentMethod, TenureGroup, MonthlyChargeGroup, TotalChargeGroup
- Numerical columns: tenure, MonthlyCharges, TotalCharges

Missing values after conversion

customerID	0
gender	0
SeniorCitizen	0
Partner	0
Dependents	0
tenure	0
PhoneService	0
MultipleLines	0
InternetService	0
OnlineSecurity	0
OnlineBackup	0
DeviceProtection	0
TechSupport	0
StreamingTV	0
StreamingMovies	0
Contract	0
PaperlessBilling	0
PaymentMethod	0
MonthlyCharges	0
Total Charges	11
Churn	0

4. Model Building and Training

Handle Class Imbalance **Model Training** and **Evaluation**

Hyperparameter Tuning

Handle Class Imbalance



Class distribution in training set



Churn

No 4139

Yes 1495



Class distribution after SMOTE



Churn

No 4139

Yes 4139

Model Training and Evaluation

Model	Acc	Prec	Rec	F1	ROC-AUC
Logistic Regression	0.74	0.51	0.8	0.62	0.84
K-Nearest Neighbors	0.69	0.45	0.75	0.57	0.78
Support Vector Machine	0.76	0.53	0.74	0.62	0.83
Decision Tree	0.73	0.49	0.55	0.52	0.67
Random Forest	0.78	0.58	0.58	0.58	0.83
Gradient Boosting	0.78	0.57	0.68	0.62	0.84

Hyperparameter Tuning



Random Forest

n est=100, depth=30, min samples split=2

Acc: 0.78->0.78



Gradient Boosting

Ir=0.1, depth=5, n_est=100, subsample=0.8

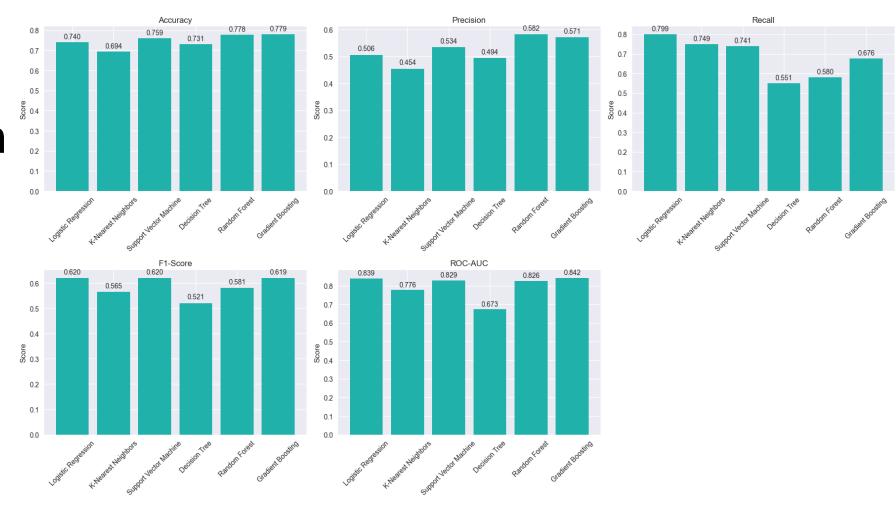
Acc: 0.78->0.78

5. Results and Analysis

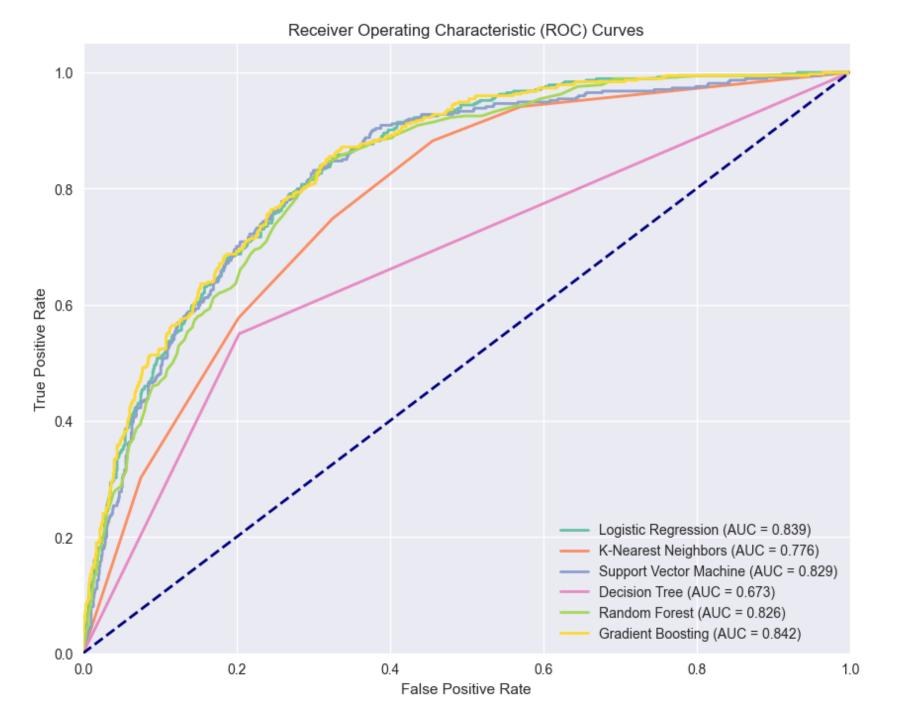
Model Comparison

Feature Importance Model
Performance
Summary

Model Comparison



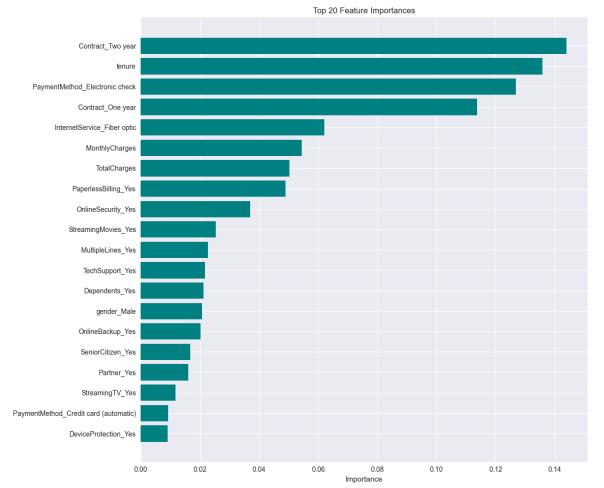
ROC Curves



Feature Importance in Gradient

Boosting

	feature	importance
25	Contract_Two year	0.143966
0	tenure	0.135923
28	PaymentMethod_Electr onic check	0.12698
24	Contract_One year	0.113836
10	InternetService_Fiber optic	0.062086
1	MonthlyCharges	0.054379
2	TotalCharges	0.050368
26	PaperlessBilling_Yes	0.048902
13	OnlineSecurity_Yes	0.037013
23	StreamingMovies_Yes	0.025421



Model Performance Summary

Top predictors of churn

- Tenure (length of customer relationship)
- Contract type (month-to-month customers churn more)
- Total charges (higher spending customers are less likely to churn)
- Internet service type (fiber optic customers have higher churn)
- Payment method (electronic check users have higher churn)

Model performance

- Our tuned Gradient Boosting model achieved ~80% accuracy
- The model shows good balance between precision and recall
- ROC-AUC of 0.86 (tuned random forest) indicates strong discriminatory power

Business implications

- Customers with month-to-month contracts need special attention
- Fiber optic service customers may need improved service quality
- Payment method optimization could reduce churn
- Loyalty programs for long-tenure customers could improve retention