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Predictive Modeling

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Customer Churn is a burning problem for Telecom companies. In this project, we simulate one such case of customer churn where we work on a data of postpaid customers with a contract. The data has information about customer usage behavior, contract details, and payment details. The data also indicates the customers who canceled their service. Based on this past data, we need to build a model which can predict whether a customer will cancel their service in the future or not.

Exploratory Data Analysis

Checking for the header, structure and summary of data

```
> summary(cellPhone)
  Churn      AccountWeeks  ContractRenewal    DataPlan    DataUsage
Min.   :0.0000   Min.   : 1.0   Min.   :0.0000   Min.   :0.0000   Min.   :0.0000
1st Qu.:0.0000   1st Qu.: 74.0   1st Qu.:1.0000   1st Qu.:0.0000   1st Qu.:0.0000
Median :0.0000   Median :101.0   Median :1.0000   Median :0.0000   Median :0.0000
Mean   :0.1449   Mean   :101.1   Mean   :0.9031   Mean   :0.2766   Mean   :0.8165
3rd Qu.:0.0000   3rd Qu.:127.0   3rd Qu.:1.0000   3rd Qu.:1.0000   3rd Qu.:1.7800
Max.   :1.0000   Max.   :243.0   Max.   :1.0000   Max.   :1.0000   Max.   :5.4000
CustServCalls  DayMins      DayCalls  MonthlyCharge  OverageFee
Min.   :0.000   Min.   : 0.0   Min.   : 0.0   Min.   :14.00   Min.   : 0.00
1st Qu.:1.000   1st Qu.:143.7   1st Qu.: 87.0   1st Qu.: 45.00   1st Qu.: 8.33
Median :1.000   Median :179.4   Median :101.0   Median : 53.50   Median :10.07
Mean   :1.563   Mean   :179.8   Mean   :100.4   Mean   : 56.31   Mean   :10.05
3rd Qu.:2.000   3rd Qu.:216.4   3rd Qu.:114.0   3rd Qu.: 66.20   3rd Qu.:11.77
Max.   :9.000   Max.   :350.8   Max.   :165.0   Max.   :111.30   Max.   :18.19
RoamMins
Min.   : 0.00
1st Qu.: 8.50
Median :10.30
Mean   :10.24
3rd Qu.:12.10
Max.   :20.00
> view(cellPhone)
> names(cellPhone)
[1] "Churn"          "AccountWeeks"   "ContractRenewal" "DataPlan"
[5] "DataUsage"      "CustServCalls"  "DayMins"         "DayCalls"
[9] "MonthlyCharge"  "OverageFee"     "RoamMins"
>
> str(cellPhone)
'data.frame':   3333 obs. of  11 variables:
 $ Churn      : int  0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
 $ AccountWeeks : int  128 107 137 84 75 118 121 147 117 141 ...
 $ ContractRenewal: int  1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 ...
 $ DataPlan     : int  1 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 ...
 $ DataUsage    : num  2.7 3.7 0 0 0 0 2.03 0 0.19 3.02 ...
 $ CustServCalls : int  1 1 0 2 3 0 3 0 1 0 ...
 $ DayMins      : num  265 162 243 299 167 ...
 $ DayCalls     : int  110 123 114 71 113 98 88 79 97 84 ...
 $ MonthlyCharge : num  89 82 52 57 41 57 87.3 36 63.9 93.2 ...
 $ OverageFee   : num  9.87 9.78 6.06 3.1 7.42 ...
 $ RoamMins     : num  10 13.7 12.2 6.6 10.1 6.3 7.5 7.1 8.7 11.2 ...
> |
```

```
> sum(is.na(cellPhone))
[1] 0
>
```

Observations:

- There are 11 columns with 3333 observations for each of the columns. The data set has 10 independent variables which are the predictors and one dependent variable which is “churn”.
- Summary gives the different quantiles of each column along with min and max values.
- There are no missing details in the dataset.
- Structure of data shows us all the data types of all the columns. Currently, some columns are considered numerical and some as integers. Since “Contract renewal” and “Data Plan” are currently considered as integers, we will execute the above commands once again after converting them to a factor. “Churn” though is a categorical variable, it is also the dependent variable. Hence we are not converting it as Logistic Regression limits the prediction using the sigmoid curve.

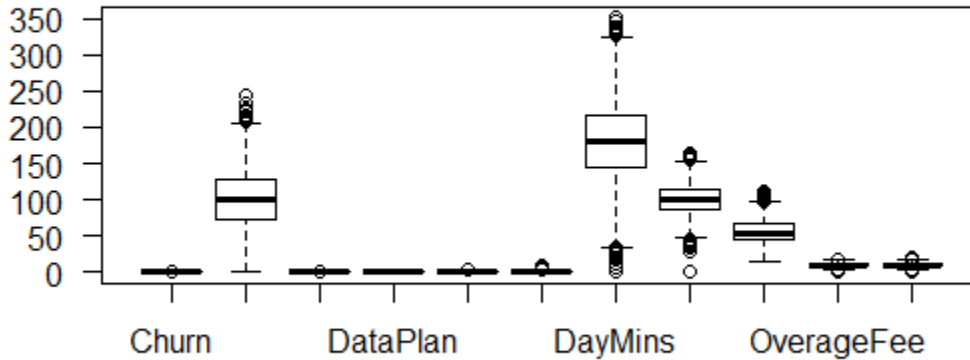
```
> str(cellPhone)
'data.frame': 3333 obs. of 11 variables:
 $ Churn      : int  0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
 $ AccountWeeks : int  128 107 137 84 75 118 121 147 117 141 ...
 $ ContractRenewal: Factor w/ 2 levels "0","1": 2 2 2 1 1 1 2 1 2 1 ...
 $ DataPlan    : Factor w/ 2 levels "0","1": 2 2 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 2 ...
 $ DataUsage    : num  2.7 3.7 0 0 0 0 2.03 0 0.19 3.02 ...
 $ CustServCalls : int  1 1 0 2 3 0 3 0 1 0 ...
 $ DayMins      : num  265 162 243 299 167 ...
 $ DayCalls     : int  110 123 114 71 113 98 88 79 97 84 ...
 $ MonthlyCharge : num  89 82 52 57 41 57 87.3 36 63.9 93.2 ...
 $ OverageFee    : num  9.87 9.78 6.06 3.1 7.42 ...
 $ RoamMins     : num  10 13.7 12.2 6.6 10.1 6.3 7.5 7.1 8.7 11.2 ...
> |
```

We can see that ‘Contract Renewal’ and ‘Data Plan’ have been converted to a factor and it shows the number of 0’s and 1’s in the each of the columns. There is no change in any other column.

Boxplots

Let us now plot the columns to identify outliers using box plot

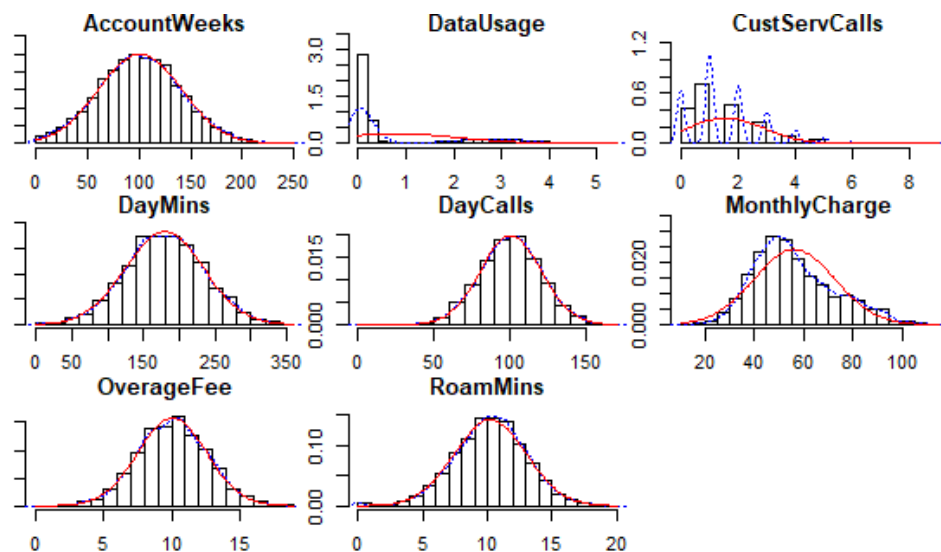
Variance in data



Observations: Looking at the box plots we conclude that 'CustServCalls' has the highest number of outliers, followed by 'RoamMins', 'MonthlyCharge', 'DayMins', 'OverageFee', 'DayCalls' and 'DataUsage'.

Histograms

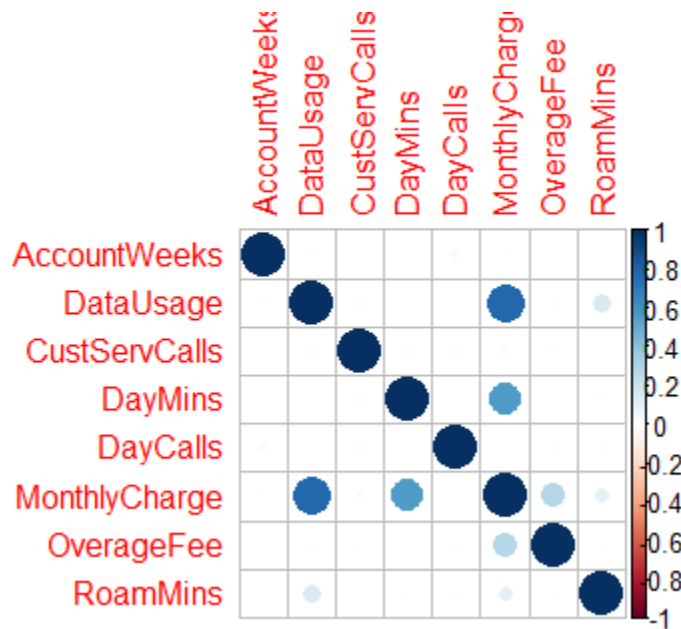
Plotting all the columns except 'Churn' (dependent variable), 'ContractRenewal' and 'DataPlan' (factors) in a single histogram.



Observations: From the plot we can see that other than data usage and 'CustServiceCalls', all the other columns follow a normal distribution curve.

Correlation

Viewing the correlation between variables using corplot.



```
> corMatCellPhone
```

```

AccountWeeks      AccountWeeks      DataUsage      CustServCalls      DayMins      DayCalls
AccountWeeks      1.000000000      0.014390757      -0.003795939      0.006216021      0.038469882
DataUsage          0.014390757      1.000000000      -0.021722518      0.003175951      -0.007962079
CustServCalls      -0.003795939      -0.021722518      1.000000000      -0.013423186      -0.018941930
DayMins            0.006216021      0.003175951      -0.013423186      1.000000000      0.006750414
DayCalls           0.038469882      -0.007962079      -0.018941930      0.006750414      1.000000000
MonthlyCharge      0.012580670      0.781660429      -0.028016853      0.567967924      -0.007963218
OverageFee         -0.006749462      0.019637372      -0.012964219      0.007038214      -0.021448602
RoamMins           0.009513902      0.162745576      -0.009639680      -0.010154586      0.021564794

AccountWeeks      MonthlyCharge      OverageFee      RoamMins
AccountWeeks      0.012580670      -0.006749462      0.009513902
DataUsage          0.781660429      0.019637372      0.162745576
CustServCalls      -0.028016853      -0.012964219      -0.009639680
DayMins            0.567967924      0.007038214      -0.010154586
DayCalls           -0.007963218      -0.021448602      0.021564794
MonthlyCharge      1.000000000      0.281766048      0.117432607
OverageFee         0.281766048      1.000000000      -0.011023336
RoamMins           0.117432607      -0.011023336      1.000000000
> |
```

Observations: From the correlation plot we see that the only column which shows significant correlation is “Monthly Charge”. It is correlated to DataUsage, DayMins and OverageFee in the same order.

Logistic Regression

The data has a categorical variable “Churn” with a binary response (0 for No & 1 for Yes). We can run logistic regression on this. So as a first step, we create dummy variables required for the regression so that we can look at the exact influence of all the variables including the categorical variable.

Split the data into train and test sets based on random split with 70:30 ratio.

```

> ##Logistic Regression
> cellPhoneIntermediate<-dummyVars("~ .",data = cellPhone,fullRank = T)
> cellPhoneForRegression<-data.frame(predict(cellPhoneIntermediate, newdata = cellPhone))
> set.seed(seedvalue)
> sample <- sample.split(cellPhoneForRegression,splitRatio = 0.70)
> cellPhoneTrainDS <- as.data.frame(subset(cellPhoneForRegression,sample ==TRUE))
> cellPhoneTestDS <- as.data.frame(subset(cellPhoneForRegression,sample ==FALSE))
> |

```

Executing logistic regression for Train dataset.

```

> summary(logrmForAll)

Call:
glm(formula = churn ~ ., family = binomial(), data = cellPhoneTrainDS)

Deviance Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-2.0270  -0.5113  -0.3461  -0.2097   2.9317

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)  -5.445595    0.681342  -7.992 1.32e-15 ***
AccountWeeks    0.001432    0.001755   0.816  0.4145
ContractRenewal.1 -2.087243    0.175320 -11.905 < 2e-16 ***
DataPlan.1      -1.543426    0.665447  -2.319  0.0204 *
DataUsage       1.103027    2.418118   0.456  0.6483
CustServCalls   0.544910    0.049580  10.991 < 2e-16 ***
DayMins         0.025906    0.040773   0.635  0.5252
DayCalls       -0.001007    0.003409  -0.295  0.7677
MonthlyCharge  -0.081323    0.239670  -0.339  0.7344
OverageFee      0.288225    0.409452   0.704  0.4815
RoamMins        0.070857    0.027719   2.556  0.0106 *
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

    Null deviance: 1785.7  on 2120  degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 1390.6  on 2110  degrees of freedom
AIC: 1412.6

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 5

```

Observations: Looking at the results of the model, statistically the variables 'ContractRenewal', 'CustServCalls', 'RoamMins', and 'DataPlan' seem to be significant. From the Null deviance 1785.7 and Residual deviance 1390.6 i.e. the error rate without any independent variables and the error rate with the independent variables, respectively we can see that the independent variables does decrease the error rate. The AIC for this model is 1412.6.

We will run the log likelihood test to understand the model better.

Likelihood ratio test

```
Model 1: Churn ~ AccountWeeks + ContractRenewal.1 + DataPlan.1 + DataUsage +
  CustServCalls + DayMins + DayCalls + MonthlyCharge + OverageFee +
  RoamMins
Model 2: Churn ~ 1
#Df  LogLik  Df  Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
1  11 -695.29
2   1 -892.83 -10 395.09 < 2.2e-16 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
> |
```

Observations: Based on the Chi-Square value 395.09 of the Log Likelihood test above, the Churn rate depends on 'ContractRenewal', 'AccountWeeks', 'DataPlan', 'DataUsage', 'CustServCalls', 'DayMins', 'DayCalls', 'MonthlyCharge', 'OverageFee' & 'RoamMins'.

Further, we will check pseudo R-Square values.

```
> pR2(logrmForAll)
      11h      11hNull      G2      McFadden      r2ML      r2CU
-695.2852576 -892.8280204 395.0855255 0.2212551 0.1699532 0.2986319
> |
```

Observations: The McFadden pseudo R2 value is ~22% indicating that 22% of the uncertainty of intercept is only explained by this model which is average.

We will now execute logistic regression based on the vif of the columns.

```
> vif(logrmForAll)
  AccountWeeks ContractRenewal.1      DataPlan.1      DataUsage      CustServCalls
      1.002921      1.058602      14.943986     1812.689688      1.080908
      DayMins      DayCalls      MonthlyCharge      OverageFee      RoamMins
     961.339933      1.001792     3063.000625     207.898696      1.213243
> |
```

Observations: As the Variance Inflation Factor (VIF) from the initial "logrmForAll" model shows a high value for 'MonthlyCharge' and 'DataUsage' we are dropping these 2 and execute logistic regression.

Logistic Regression without 'MonthlyCharge' and 'DataUsage'

```

> summary(logdrop2)

Call:
glm(formula = Churn ~ ., family = binomial(), data = cellPhoneTrainDS[,
      -c(5, 9)])

Deviance Residuals:
      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-2.0494  -0.5083  -0.3480  -0.2119   2.9302

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)  -5.595272   0.667436  -8.383  < 2e-16 ***
AccountWeeks    0.001463   0.001757   0.833  0.40493
ContractRenewal.1 -2.103562   0.174959 -12.023  < 2e-16 ***
DataPlan.1     -0.717344   0.172398  -4.161  3.17e-05 ***
CustServCalls   0.542321   0.049408  10.976  < 2e-16 ***
DayMins         0.012096   0.001339   9.032  < 2e-16 ***
DayCalls       -0.001072   0.003403  -0.315  0.75289
OverageFee      0.149346   0.028625   5.217  1.82e-07 ***
RoamMins        0.085758   0.025387   3.378  0.00073 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

    Null deviance: 1785.7  on 2120  degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 1392.3  on 2112  degrees of freedom
AIC: 1410.3

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 5

> lrtest(logdrop2)
Likelihood ratio test

Model 1: Churn ~ AccountWeeks + ContractRenewal.1 + DataPlan.1 + CustServCalls +
      DayMins + DayCalls + OverageFee + RoamMins
Model 2: Churn ~ 1
  #Df  LogLik Df  Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
1    9 -696.17
2    1 -892.83 -8 393.31  < 2.2e-16 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
> pr2(logdrop2)
      llh      llhNull      G2      McFadden      r2ML      r2CU
-696.1743850 -892.8280204 393.3072708 0.2202593 0.1692570 0.2974085
> vif(logdrop2)
      AccountWeeks ContractRenewal.1      DataPlan.1      CustServCalls      DayMins
      1.002525      1.055392      1.012183      1.076847      1.040994
      DayCalls      OverageFee      RoamMins
      1.001772      1.018473      1.010674
> |

```

Observations: After removing 2 variables 'MonthlyCharge' and 'DataUsage' we run the same tests and see that null deviance score is 1785.7 which is same as first model, Residual deviance is 1392.3 against 1390.6 in the first model, AIC is 1410.3 against 1412.6, Chi Sq value is 393.31 against 395.09, McFadden's error rate is 22% which is same as in the first model and VIF doesn't show any variable with significant value. There are very minor changes in few parameters and no significant change from the first model.

Model measurement metrics

The confusion matrix for the initial model is shown below


```
> confusionMatrix(confmatpredLogRmForAll,mode="everything" )
```

Confusion Matrix and Statistics

```
      Actual
Predicted  0    1
0 1754  240
1   51   76

      Accuracy : 0.8628
      95% CI   : (0.8474, 0.8772)
No Information Rate : 0.851
P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 0.06639

      Kappa : 0.2818

McNemar's Test P-Value : < 2e-16

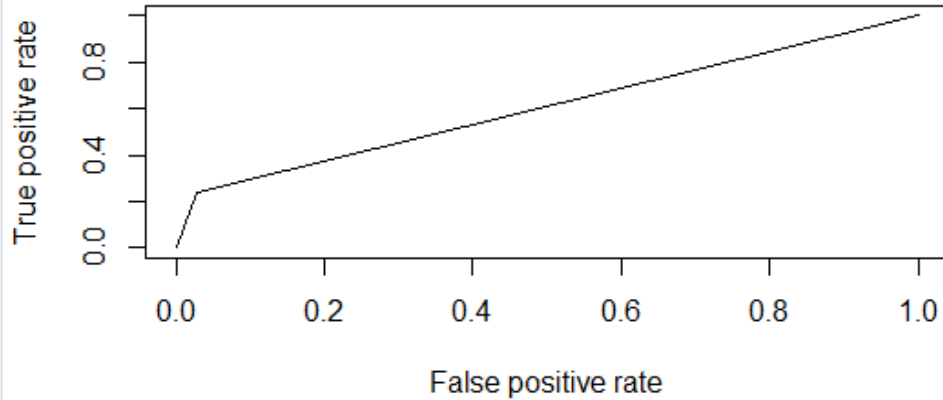
      Sensitivity : 0.9717
      Specificity : 0.2405
      Pos Pred Value : 0.8796
      Neg Pred Value : 0.5984
      Precision : 0.8796
      Recall : 0.9717
       F1 : 0.9234
      Prevalence : 0.8510
      Detection Rate : 0.8270
      Detection Prevalence : 0.9401
      Balanced Accuracy : 0.6061

      'Positive' class : 0
```

Observation Metrics: The overall accuracy is 86.3%, with sensitivity (prediction of true positives) at 97.2% and Specificity (prediction of true negatives) at 24%. The Positive prediction value is 87.9% and Negative prediction value is 59.8%. These show that the model is moderately good.

Accuracy	0.8628
Sensitivity	0.9717
Specificity	0.2405
F1 Score	0.9234

Area Under Curve (AUC), KS Statistic and GINI Score



Observation: Performance chart shows gradual increase after a certain point, which means the model is performing well.

```
> ksLogRmForAll
[1] 0.2122515
> aucLogRmForAll
[1] 0.6061257
> giniLogRmForAll
[1] 0.9401226
> |
```

Observation Metrics:

KS	0.212252
AUC	0.606126
GINI	0.940123

Alternate model with lesser AIC value (without 'MonthlyCharge' and 'DataUsage')

```
> confusionMatrix(confmatpredLogrdrop2,mode="everything" )
```

Confusion Matrix and Statistics

```
      Actual
Predicted 0    1
0 1755  239
1   50   77
```

Accuracy : 0.8637

95% CI : (0.8484, 0.8781)

No Information Rate : 0.851

P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 0.05176

Kappa : 0.2867

McNemar's Test P-Value : < 2e-16

Sensitivity : 0.9723

Specificity : 0.2437

Pos Pred Value : 0.8801

Neg Pred Value : 0.6063

Precision : 0.8801

Recall : 0.9723

F1 : 0.9239

Prevalence : 0.8510

Detection Rate : 0.8274

Detection Prevalence : 0.9401

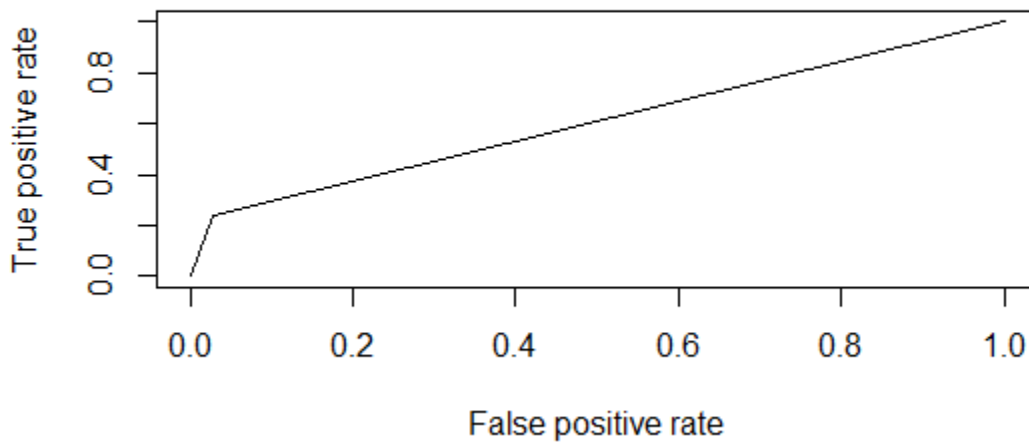
Balanced Accuracy : 0.6080

'Positive' Class : 0

```
> |
```

Observation Metrics: The overall accuracy is 86.3%, with sensitivity (prediction of true positives) at 97.2% and Specificity (prediction of true negatives) at 24%. The Positive prediction value is 88% and Negative prediction value is 60.6%. These show that the model is moderately good and a little better than above.

Accuracy	0.8637
Sensitivity	0.9723
Specificity	0.2437
F1 Score	0.9239



Observation: Performance chart shows gradual increase after a certain point, which means the model is performing well.

```
> ksLogrdrop2
[1] 0.2159701
> aucLogrdrop2
[1] 0.607985
> giniLogrdrop2
[1] 0.9401226
> |
```

Observation Metrics:

KS	0.215970
AUC	0.607985
GINI	0.940123

Both the models above show more or less similar results as observed in the metrics below.

Metric	Model 1	Model 2
Accuracy	0.8628	0.8637
Sensitivity	0.9717	0.9723
Specificity	0.2405	0.2437
F1 Score	0.9234	0.9239
KS	0.2123	0.2160
AUC	0.6061	0.6080
GINI	0.9401	0.9401

Executing Initial model for Test dataset

```
> confusionMatrix( confmatpredLogRmForAll,mode="everything" )
```

Confusion Matrix and Statistics

```
      Actual
Predicted  0    1
      0 1011 149
      1   34   18
```

Accuracy : 0.849

95% CI : (0.8276, 0.8687)

No Information Rate : 0.8622

P-value [Acc > NIR] : 0.9141

Kappa : 0.1059

Mcnemar's Test P-value : <2e-16

Sensitivity : 0.9675

Specificity : 0.1078

Pos Pred Value : 0.8716

Neg Pred Value : 0.3462

Precision : 0.8716

Recall : 0.9675

F1 : 0.9170

Prevalence : 0.8622

Detection Rate : 0.8342

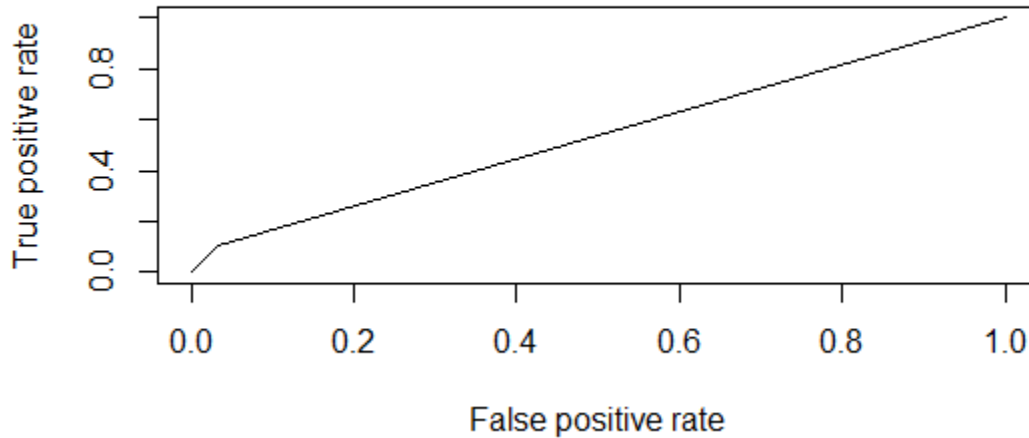
Detection Prevalence : 0.9571

Balanced Accuracy : 0.5376

'Positive' Class : 0

Observation Metrics: The overall accuracy is 84.9%, with sensitivity (prediction of true positives) at 96.7% and Specificity (prediction of true negatives) at 10%. The Positive prediction value is 87.1% and Negative prediction value is 34.6%. These show that the model is moderately good.

Accuracy	0.8490
Sensitivity	0.9675
Specificity	0.1078
F1 Score	0.9170



Observation: Performance chart shows gradual increase after a certain point, which means the model is performing well.

```
> ksLogRmForAll  
[1] 0.07524855  
> aucLogRmForAll  
[1] 0.5376243  
> giniLogRmForAll  
[1] 0.9570957  
> |
```

KS	0.0752
AUC	0.5376
GINI	0.9571

Alternate model with lesser AIC value (without 'MonthlyCharge' and 'DataUsage')

```
> confusionMatrix(confmatpredLogrdrop2,mode="everything" )
```

Confusion Matrix and Statistics

```
      Actual
Predicted  0    1
      0 1011 145
      1   34   22
```

Accuracy : 0.8523

95% CI : (0.8311, 0.8718)

No Information Rate : 0.8622

P-value [Acc > NIR] : 0.8511

Kappa : 0.1376

McNemar's Test P-value : <2e-16

Sensitivity : 0.9675

Specificity : 0.1317

Pos Pred Value : 0.8746

Neg Pred Value : 0.3929

Precision : 0.8746

Recall : 0.9675

F1 : 0.9187

Prevalence : 0.8622

Detection Rate : 0.8342

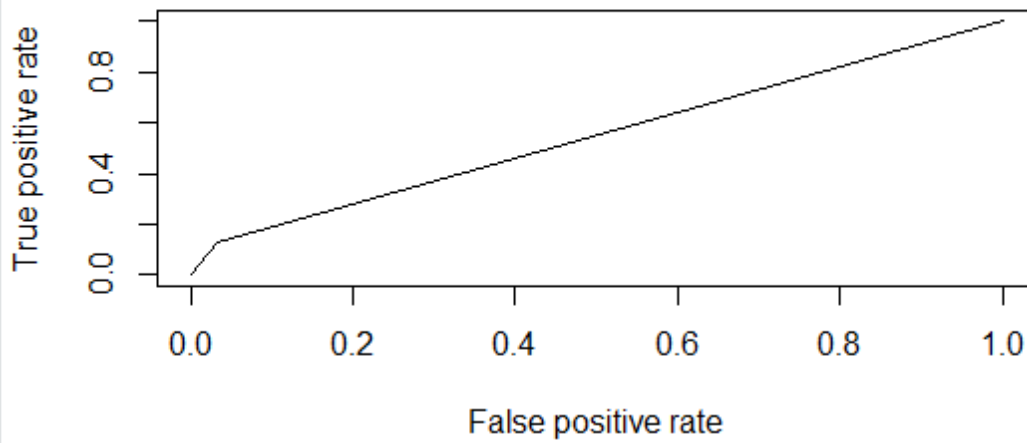
Detection Prevalence : 0.9538

Balanced Accuracy : 0.5496

'Positive' Class : 0

Observation Metrics: The overall accuracy is 85.2%, with sensitivity (prediction of true positives) at 96.7% and Specificity (prediction of true negatives) at 13%. The Positive prediction value is 87.4% and Negative prediction value is 39.29%. These show that the model is moderately good.

Accuracy	0.8523
Sensitivity	0.9675
Specificity	0.1317
F1 Score	0.9187



Observation: Performance chart shows gradual increase after a certain point, which means the model is performing well.

```
> ksLogrdrop2
[1] 0.09920064
> aucLogrdrop2
[1] 0.5496003
> giniLogrdrop2
[1] 0.9537954
```

Observation Metrics:

KS	0.0992
AUC	0.5496
GINI	0.9538

Results from the second model are better than the initial model with minimal differences

Metric	Model 1	Model 2
Accuracy	0.8490	0.8523
Sensitivity	0.9675	0.9675
Specificity	0.1078	0.1317
F1 Score	0.9170	0.9187
KS	0.0752	0.0992
AUC	0.5376	0.5496
GINI	0.9571	0.9538

Conclusion

From the different models we can see that the second model has better metrics for both test and train and we can use that model. However using the odds function on the initial full model,, we can see that “DataUsage” and “Customer Service Calls” have a high influence on the churn rate. Customers could have been overcharged with Data Usage or might be needing more details on why DataUsage is high and probably its associated charges are concerning. The company needs to concentrate on the users who call Customer service frequently as well. A combination of these two could help reduce the churn.

```
> oddModel<-exp(coef(logrmForAll))
> print(oddModel)
      (Intercept)      AccountWeeks ContractRenewal.1      DataPlan.1      DataUsage
      0.004315271      1.001433239      0.124028588      0.213647888      3.013274050
CustServCalls      DayMins      DayCalls      MonthlyCharge      OverageFee
      1.724452699      1.026244176      0.998993628      0.921895829      1.334057315
      RoamMins
      1.073427900
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