

The Role of Machine Learning in Enhancing the Customer Relationship of Indian E-Commerce Sector

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Abstract

The integration of machine learning technology in the Indian e-commerce sector shows promise in bolstering customer relationships. By leveraging machine learning within customer relationship management (CRM) systems, businesses can analyze customer behaviors and make data-driven decisions which facilitates personalized advertisement campaigns, improving customer engagement and satisfaction. Machine learning aids in developing customer churn systems to identify and address factors contributing to customer attrition, enhancing overall satisfaction levels. The technology's data mining capabilities enable the prediction of customer purchasing behavior, allowing for personalized product recommendations and improved brand awareness. Furthermore, machine learning models, such as the random forest algorithm, assist in analyzing customer characteristics to devise effective relationship enhancement strategies. Moreover, sentiment analysis and natural language processing functionalities of machine learning contribute to automating customer service, further strengthening customer relationships within the Indian e-commerce landscape.

Chapter 1: Introduction

1.1 Research Background

Since the first implementation of various types of innovations into all of the retail businesses, one of the most optimal methods of streamlining and digitalizing the functions of the various types of businesses that are being commenced on a regular basis is the e-commerce market, which is seeing exponential growth in terms of popularity and revenue. The main topic that will be discussed in this paper is the role of implementing machine learning technology for the enhancement of relationships with customers in the Indian e-commerce market. The machine learning technology is an innovative technology where an artificial intelligence model of the technology can be trained using data on customer interactions in the mentioned sector, which can be used for the prediction and detection of various types of factors related to the behaviors of the customers in the e-commerce sector for the improvement of the business. The machine learning technology can be implemented for the improvement of the analysis of the data acquired from past interactions with e-commerce customers. One of the applications of the machine learning technology that can be implemented is big data analysis and data mining techniques using the mentioned technology. Machine learning can be used for the analysis of big data, which can be used to gain key insights that can enhance the overall customer relationship based on the e-commerce sector of the Indian subcontinent (Zhang et al., 2020).

1.2 Aims and Objectives

In this paper, the main topic of discussion is the analysis of the various types of machine learning algorithms and models for the assessment of their role in the enhancement of customer relationships in the e-commerce sector. Based on the main topic of this paper, the aim related to the discovery of the impact of the machine learning model can be stated as the analysis of the machine learning technology and its role in the enhancement of customer relationships among Indian e-commerce customers through the variety of robust features it offers.

Based on the main aim of the objectives of this paper, they can be developed as follows:

- To analyze the factors of machine learning technology that can be used for the improvement of customer relationships in the Indian e-commerce market
- To assess the advantages of machine learning technology in improving customer relationships in the e-commerce sector of India
- To recommend suitable methods for the improvement of the performance of the machine learning models for the analysis of customer data

1.3 Research Questions

Based on the main aim and the objectives of this paper, the research questions can be formulated as follows:

- What aspects of machine learning technology are applicable to the Indian e-commerce market to enhance consumer relationships?
- How to evaluate the benefits of machine learning technology for enhancing consumer interactions in India's e-commerce industry?
- In what ways might appropriate techniques be suggested to enhance the efficacy of machine learning models utilized for customer data analysis?

Chapter 2: Literature Review

2.1 Overview

In this section of the paper, various types of literature and sources will be reviewed for the analysis of machine learning technology, which can be used for the assessment of the role of this technology in enhancing customer relationships in the Indian e-commerce sector. In the theoretical framework of this section, various types of documents will be assessed that align with the main aims and objectives of the paper, while in the conceptual framework, the entire concept related to the aims and objectives of the paper will be visualized in a proper manner.

2.2 Theoretical Framework

2.2.1 The factors of machine learning technology that can be used for the improvement of customer relationships in the Indian e-commerce market

According to the research conducted by Libai et al. (2020), it has been stated that machine learning technology can be implemented for the enhancement of the customer relationship in the e-commerce market of the Indian subcontinent. The implementation of the technology can be done into the CRM or customer relationship management software, which can enable the management of the companies to analyze various types of patterns and links related to the behaviors of the customers, which can have a role in the improvement of the overall decision-making process to improve the relationship with the customers. The machine learning technology can be used to improve the analysis of the data that is being

which can have some of the most unique advantages related to the analysis of data and training itself from the analyzed data, in which the automated trial and error methods of the machine learning model can be used for the automation of the customer response system, which can be used for the analysis of customer queries and sending a response proper to the query, which can have some of the most unique advantages related to the analysis of data and training itself from the analyzed data, in which the automated trial and error methods of the machine learning model can be used for the automation of the customer response system, which can be used for the analysis of customer queries and sending a response proper to the query, which can have a long-term benefit in improving the overall relationship with the customers of the e-commerce sector of the Indian subcontinent.

2.2.2 The advantages of machine learning technology to improve customer relationships in the e-commerce sector of India

It has been stated in a study conducted by Martínez et al. (2020) that machine learning technology has several advantages that can be used for the enhancement of the overall customer relationship of the e-commerce sector. One of the advantages of the mentioned technology is the features it provides, which can be used for the analysis of a vast amount of data, which is called data mining, for the gathering of various types of knowledge related to the behaviors and preferences of the e-commerce customers, which can be used for the improvement of the overall relationship with the customers of the Indian e-commerce market. The implementation of machine learning technology can be done for the prediction of the purchasing behavior of the customers, along with the transaction database of the customers, which can be used for the personalization of product recommendations and the recommendations of wish-listed products, which in turn can improve brand awareness and customer satisfaction, which can have an overall positive impact on maintaining a healthy relationship with the customers in this sector. The data mining functions of the machine learning technology can be used for the prediction of customer behavior, which can be used for tuning the e-commerce platform and improving the flaws that are affecting the behaviors of the customers, which in turn can provide a range of positive advantages for the improvement of the customer relationship of the e-commerce customers of the Indian subcontinent. According to Yi and Liu (2020), the advantages of the machine learning technology can be seen in the analysis of the behaviors of the customers based on previous transactions, in which the random forest model of the machine learning technology can be implemented for the analysis of the characteristics and behaviors of the customers, which can be used for the planning and formulation of various types of strategies for the improvement of the overall relationship with the e-commerce customers. It has been stated in research conducted by Lee et al. (2020) that machine learning technology can be used for the sentiment analysis of the various types of customers in the e-commerce market, which can be beneficial for the improvement of the overall relationship with them. The technology can also be used for the deployment of a natural language processing (NLP) model, which can be used for the solving of customer queries, reaching the main goal of this project. The machine learning technology can be implemented for the improvement of the customer service of the e-commerce sector, in which the mentioned technology can be used for the automation of the various types of facets related to the solving of the queries of the customers, which can be a positive step towards the improvement of the overall relationship with the customers of the e-commerce sector of India.

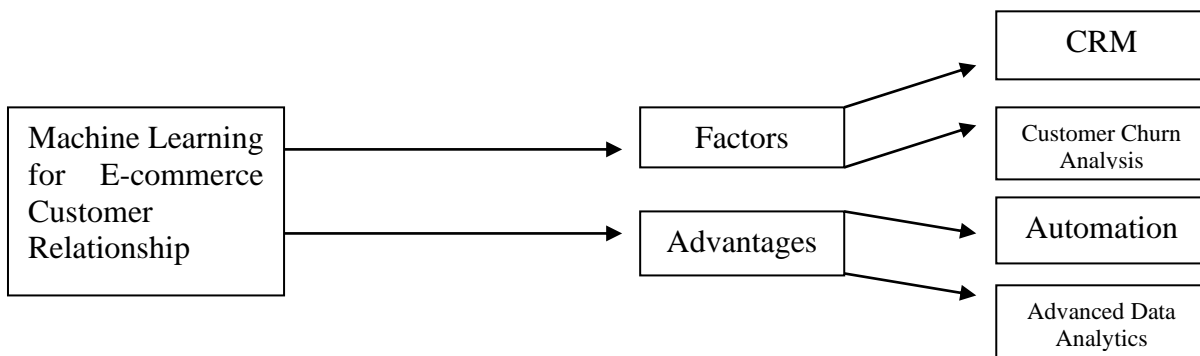
2.2.3 Recommendations to improve the implemented models

According to Analytics Vidhya (2024), for the improvement of the performance of the implemented machine learning models for the enhancement of their role in the improvement of customer behavior in

the e-commerce market of the Indian subcontinent, the first method that can be used is the expansion of the data that is being used for the training of the machine learning model for the analysis of the behaviors of the customer, which can have an overall positive impact on improving its accuracy. The data that is being used for the training of the machine learning models must be cleaned and processed to remove any missing or outlier values that can improve the overall performance of the implemented machine learning models. It has been stated by Neptune Labs (2024) that the reduction of overfitting and underfitting problems can be another method of improving the performance of machine learning models, which can be done by reducing the complexity of the model for overfitting issues and adding more input features for issues related to underfitting. It has been stated by Analytics AI (2024) that the choice of the right algorithms that fit with the main aims and objectives of the paper can also be a factor in determining the performance and accuracy of the machine learning models for the analysis of customer behavior, which can be used to improve the overall relationship with the customers of the Indian e-commerce market.

2.3 Conceptual Framework

In the below mentioned conceptual framework the factors and advantages of the machine learning technology has been illustrated which can be used for the improvement of the overall relationship with the Indian e-commerce customers.



2.4 Literature gap

The paper has discussed various types of factors and advantages of the machine learning model for the improvement of customer relationships, where the steps of implementing the models have not been mentioned in this paper and can be stated as the literature gap of this paper.

Chapter 3: Research Methodology

3.1 Overview

In this section of the paper, the methodologies related to the philosophies and approaches used for the collection of data that are being used for the gathering of knowledge related to the various types of matrices related to the maintenance of a positive relationship with the e-commerce customers of the Indian subcontinent will be stated.

3.2 Research Philosophy

The philosophy of a research paper mainly aims to outline the requirements and essence related to the collection of data, which aligns with the main aims and objectives of this paper. There are various types of research philosophies that are being used for the purpose of writing a research paper, such as

pragmatism, positivism, realism, and interpretivism, which are some of the philosophies that can be used for the paper based on practical implications and rationale that align with the main aim and objectives of this research paper. For the purpose of training the machine learning models and for the analysis of the various types of factors in the e-commerce market that can have a positive impact on building a solid relationship with customers, the positivism approach has been selected. The positivism approach puts added emphasis on the collection of highly structured data, which can be collected in large samples for the training of the machine learning models (Business Research Methodology, 2024).

3.3. Research Approach

The approach of the research related to the data collection states the various types of motives and goals that are being planned for the formulation of the methods that can be used for the fulfillment of the aims and objectives of this paper. Since the philosophy that is being used for the collection of the data is selected to be positivism, the paper will focus on collecting data based on various types of qualitative and quantitative mediums for the training of machine learning models and for the analysis of the various types of facets of the e-commerce sector, which can be used for the determination and improvement of the current relationship with the customers of the Indian e-commerce sector (University of Nottingham, 2024).

3.4 Data Collection Method

Data collection, or the gathering of the data that will be analyzed for the generation of a report that can be used for the training of the machine learning model and for the purpose of writing the research paper, is one of the most fundamental factors in writing any kind of research paper. The data that has to be collected can be differentiated between two types of data collection methods, which are the primary and secondary data collection methods. In the approach of primary data collection, the researcher has to collect the data that is required for the purpose of the project through direct sources, which can be done with the help of various types of primary data collection methods such as interviews, quizzes, surveys, etc. On the contrary, the secondary data collection method emphasizes the collection of data through various types of secondary sources of data, which can be online articles, journals, news papers, blogs, etc. There can be a number of constraints in the process of primary data collection such as various types of difficulty regarding the gathering of people for the purpose of conducting the survey or the interview which can be extremely time consuming and the process of the primary data collection can be heavy on the context of budget as well and for that reason the secondary data collection method has been selected for the purpose of conducting this research paper which have its distinct advantages such as the scalability and the availability of a wide amount of data which have already been verified by other researchers for its integrity and accuracy which can be used for the purpose of training the machine learning models as well (QuestionPro Survey, 2024).

3.5 Data Analysis Technique

The data analysis technique is one of the most crucial elements related to the writing of any kind of research paper. Since this paper has implemented the secondary data collection method for the purpose of conducting this research, the paper aims to analyze all the collected data using the secondary data analysis technique. The secondary data analysis technique is used for the analysis of data collected from various types of secondary data collection methods, which are online articles, websites, news papers, and

journals, which can be used for the gathering of various types of insights that can be aligned with the main aims and objectives of this research paper (University College London, 2024).

Chapter 4: Analysis

4.1 Overview

In this section of the paper, the various types of libraries are being used for the analysis of the e-commerce customer data for the derivation of various types of insights related to the implementation of the machine learning model for the improvement of the overall business relationship with the customers of the Indian e-commerce market. The machine learning algorithms that have been implemented will be stated, along with the performance evaluation metrics that have been used for the analysis of the performance related to the findings of the insights gained through the data analysis process, which can be used to reach the main goal and objectives of this paper. The data preprocessing steps will be stated, along with the methods that are being used to improve the quality of the data for the training of the implemented machine learning models.

4.2 Used Libraries

4.2.1 Numpy

Numpy is one of the libraries that has been used to analyze the data used to train the machine learning model. One of the reasons for using Numpy, a Python programming language library, is that it offers some of the most sophisticated numerical tools and powerful n-dimensional arrays. This makes it an excellent tool for conducting thorough customer data analyses and improving relationships with Indian e-commerce market customers. Another advantage of utilizing this library, which can be used to analyze e-commerce customer data, is that it supports a large variety of hardware, which is one of the prime rationales for the selection of this library for the analysis of customer data for the improvement of their relationship with the e-commerce sellers of the Indian subcontinent (Numpy Team, 2024).

4.2.2 Pandas

Another Python programming language library called Pandas has been used for a variety of data analysis and manipulation tasks. It is a training data analysis library for the applied machine learning model and has been used to analyze different kinds of customer data obtained from their previous interactions on e-commerce platforms. Pandas is built on an open-source platform that can be customized for fast, flexible custom analysis of a variety of data types. This feature is essential to the project and is a primary reason why this library was chosen for the necessary data analysis needed to obtain customer insights that can be used for the development of a variety of methods for the overall improvement of their relationship with vendors in the Indian e-commerce market (NumFOCUS Inc., 2024).

4.2.3 Matplotlib

Matplotlib is one of the libraries that have been used for the purpose of visualizing the data used in the training of the machine learning model that has been put into practice. In order to improve the analysis of customer data and gain insights into their behavior on the Indian e-commerce market, the mentioned library offers some of the most cutting-edge tools and techniques for creating static, animated, and interactive data visualization within the Python programming language. These tools and techniques can also be used to train a machine learning model that will enhance the sector's customer relationships (The Matplotlib Development Team, 2024).

4.2.4 Seaborn

Seaborn, which is a library built on top of the Matplotlib library, is another library that has been used to visualize the training data of machine learning models and is based on the Python programming language. The aforementioned library offers high-level interfaces for the creation of numerous statistical graphics that have been applied to the analysis of the data flow of the training data set of the machine learning models that have been put into practice. This can be advantageous for obtaining the information needed to enhance customer relationships in the Indian e-commerce market (Waskom, 2024).

4.3 Machine Learning algorithms which can be used for the improvement of customer relationship

4.3.1 Natural Language Processing

One of the models or algorithms of machine learning technology that can be used for the detection of the various types of behaviors of e-commerce customers on the Indian subcontinent is called natural language processing, or the NLP model. NLP is a branch of artificial intelligence or AI technology that can be used for the interpretation of natural human language. It has also been used for the development of a machine learning-based chatbot that can be used for the solving of customer queries and can be stated as one of the most innovative methods for the improvement of the overall customer relationship in this sector (Lauriola et al., 2022).

4.3.2 Naïve Bayes

Another algorithm of the machine learning technology that can be used for the findings related to the analysis of the e-commerce customer data that can be used for the improvement of the relationship with them is called the Naïve Bayes algorithm. Naïve Bayes is a machine learning algorithm that has been implemented for the purpose of classifying various types of variables that are present in the set of data for the gathering of insights related to the sentiment analysis of the customers, which can be used for the overall improvement of the relationship related to buying and selling on the Indian e-commerce platforms (Wickramasinghe and Kalutarage, 2021).

4.3.3 Logistic Regression

Another type of machine learning model that can be implemented for the purpose of this project is called logistic regression, which can be used for the solving of both classification and regression-based problems in the set of data that has been used for the training of the machine learning model required for this paper. With the use of the logistic regression model, predictions related to the behavior of customers can be made, which can be used to improve the overall relationship with the customers of the Indian e-commerce market (Song et al., 2021).

4.3.4 Support Vector Machine

One of the most popular algorithms of machine learning technology, called SVM, or support vector machine, can be implemented for the purpose of improving the customer relationship in the e-commerce market through the analysis of past data, which can be used to gather various types of information and data that can then be used for the improvement of the relationship with the customers in this sector. SVM can be used for the development of a chatbot, which can be used to solve customer queries, which is the main rationale for the choice of this algorithm (Bansal et al., 2021).

4.4 Data Pre-Processing

The processing of the data prior to its use for the training of the machine learning models is one of the most crucial steps in improving the overall performance of the machine learning models. The steps that

have been used for the cleaning of the training data of the machine learning model will be stated in this section. The first step that has been used is the cleaning of the data, along with the reduction of any kind of duplicate value, for the improvement of the quality and accuracy of the data. The next step is scaling the data, which can be done using the min-max normalization method. The next step is the transformation of the data, which has been done using the hot encoding method. The last step that has been used is the use of the CART algorithm for the partitioning of the used data (Fan et al., 2021).

4.5 Machine Learning Model Performance Evaluation

In this section of the paper, some of the metrics that have been used for the performance evaluation of the machine learning models which can be implemented for the analysis and improvement of customer relationship will be stated. Accuracy is the main parameter that is typically used for the analysis of the accuracy of the machine learning models in predicting and detecting various types of results which can be used in the context of the topic of this paper. The confusion matrix can be used for the analysis of the performance of the machine learning models, which have been used for the calculation of the prediction outcomes of the models that have been implemented for the research purpose of this paper (JavaTpoint, 2024).

Chapter 5: Discussion

5.1 Overview

In this section of the paper, the findings that have been gained from the analysis of the various types of literature aligning with the main topic and aim of this paper will be discussed.

5.2 The factors of machine learning technology that can be used for the improvement of customer relationships in the Indian e-commerce market

According to the LR of this paper, machine learning technology is one of the most popular technologies that have been used for the analysis of customer sentiment and behavior, which can be used for the development of various types of methods for the improvement of the overall relationship with customers in this sector. The machine learning technology can be used for the improvement of customer relationship management or CRM software, which can be a factor in improving the overall relationship with the existing customers of the Indian e-commerce market. The machine learning technology can primarily be used for the analysis of the sentiments of the customers, which in turn can provide a clear picture related to the patterns and links related to their behavior, which can be beneficial for the formulation of various types of plans for the improvement of the relationship with the customers of the Indian e-commerce market. The machine learning technology can be used for the analysis of customer reviews in the e-commerce market, which can improve the overall relationship with customers (Singla et al., 2017).

5.3 The advantages of machine learning technology to improve customer relationships in the e-commerce sector of India

According to the literature review of this paper, one of the primary advantages of machine learning technology is its advanced features in automation, which can be used for the automated training of the implemented ML models, which can then be used for the analysis of the behaviors related to purchasing patterns, browsing history, choice of products, etc., which can provide valuable information to the sellers

and owners of the e-commerce platforms related to the current relationship with the customers based on the Indian subcontinent. The satisfaction of the customers and the positive reviews left by them can be a valuable asset to an e-commerce company. One of the main advantages the machine learning technology provides is the automated training process of the model, which can be useful for cost reduction along with increased dependability on the model for an accurate analysis of the data. The deep learning methods of machine learning technology can be used for the analysis of the vast amount of data gathered from past interactions on the e-commerce platforms, which can be stated as a major advantage in gaining information for the improvement of the relationship with the customers of the Indian e-commerce market (Chinnalagu and Durairaj, 2021).

5.4 Recommendations to improve the performance of machine learning models

According to the LR of this paper, there are various types of methods that can be used to improve the overall performance of the implemented machine learning models and the data analysis process, which has to be done for the gathering of the data required for the analysis of customer relationships in the Indian e-commerce market. For the improvement of the performance of the machine learning models, the researcher has to first clean the data to improve its quality, as has been done in the previous section of this paper. Another method that can be used is the selection of the most suitable and stable algorithms that match the main aims and objectives of this paper, which have also been done. Various types of data augmentation techniques have been used for the improvement of the data, which has been used for the training of the implemented machine learning models. The handling of the missing data and outliers has been done along with the various types of techniques that can be used for the optimization of the selected machine learning algorithms, such as handling underfitting and overfitting issues, along with other types of measurements as per the requirements of this project (DeepChecks AI, 2024).

Chapter 6: Conclusion and Recommendation

6.1 Recommendations

In this section of the paper, various types of recommendations will be provided that can be used to improve the overall customer relationship in the Indian e-commerce market. One of the methods that can be used for the improvement of the customer relationship in the e-commerce market is the implementation of electronic customer relationship management, or ECRM software, which can be used for the analysis of the matrices related to the management of customer relationships and can also be used for the improvement of the measures related to the management of the relationship with the customers in the Indian e-commerce market (Alshurideh, 2022). The customer relationship of the Indian market can also be improved with the implementation of a customer loyalty model, which can be used for the consideration of overall customer satisfaction, which can be another factor in improving the overall relationship with the customers of the Indian e-commerce market (Hayati et al., 2020).

6.2 Conclusion

In this paper, the main topic of discussion was the analysis of the role of machine learning technology in improving customer relationships in the Indian e-commerce market. The paper analyzes the background of the research for the formulation of the main aims and objectives of the paper. The factors and advantages of the machine learning model have been stated, which can be used for the improvement of

customer relationships, such as advanced data analytics and automation. Various methods have been stated that can be used to improve the overall performance of the implemented machine learning models.

6.3 Future Research Scope

The main topic of this research paper was the elaboration of the factors and advantages of the machine learning technology for the improvement of customer relationship of the e-commerce sector. The paper has stated all of the required objectives but fails to mention the disadvantages of the machine learning technology which can be stated as a scope related to future research.

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