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CUSTOMER BEHAVIOUR ANALYSIS USING DATA MINING TECHNIQUES WITH AI-DRIVEN RECOMMENDATIONS

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Abstract

In today's data-driven digital economy, understanding customer behavior has become a critical factor for business success. Organizations collect massive volumes of structured and unstructured data from multiple sources such as e-commerce platforms, social media, and transactional systems. However, extracting actionable insights from this data remains a challenging task. This paper presents a comprehensive approach for customer behavior analysis using advanced data mining techniques integrated with Artificial Intelligence (AI)-driven recommendation systems. The proposed system leverages clustering, classification, association rule mining, and deep learning models to identify patterns, segment customers, and predict their preferences. The system enhances personalization, improves customer satisfaction, and increases business profitability. Experimental results indicate that the proposed model significantly outperforms traditional systems in terms of accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score.

Keywords

Customer Behavior Analysis, Data Mining, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Recommendation System, Predictive Analytics, Personalization

1. Introduction

The rapid advancement of digital technologies and the growth of online platforms have transformed how businesses interact with customers. Every interaction—whether it is browsing a product, making a purchase, or providing feedback—generates valuable data. Analyzing this data allows organizations to understand customer preferences, predict future behavior, and deliver personalized experiences.

Traditional methods of customer analysis rely heavily on manual processing and basic statistical techniques, which are insufficient for handling large-scale and complex datasets. Data mining techniques enable the extraction of hidden patterns and knowledge from vast datasets, while AI-driven recommendation systems provide intelligent suggestions tailored to individual users.

The integration of these technologies has become essential in domains such as:

- E-commerce (Amazon, Flipkart)
- Streaming services (Netflix, Spotify)
- Banking and finance
- Healthcare systems

This paper proposes an intelligent system that combines data mining and AI techniques to perform effective customer behavior analysis and generate accurate recommendations.

2. Literature Survey

Extensive research has been conducted in the field of customer behavior analysis and recommendation systems.

Early studies focused on:

- **Statistical analysis and demographic segmentation**, which provided limited insights.
- **Rule-based systems**, which lacked adaptability and scalability.

Later developments introduced:

- **Collaborative Filtering (CF)**: Suggested items based on similar user preferences but suffered from cold-start and sparsity issues.
- **Content-Based Filtering**: Recommended items based on user profiles but lacked diversity.

Recent advancements include:

- **Machine Learning Models**:
  - Decision Trees
  - Support Vector Machines (SVM)
  - Random Forests
- **Deep Learning Approaches**:
  - Artificial Neural Networks (ANN)
  - Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN)
  - Autoencoders

Hybrid recommendation systems combining multiple approaches have shown improved performance. However, challenges such as real-time processing, data privacy, and scalability still need to be addressed.

3. Existing System

Overview

Existing customer behavior analysis systems primarily use:

- Basic data analytics tools
- Static rule-based recommendation engines
- Limited machine learning models

Working Mechanism

- Data is collected from transactions

- Predefined rules generate recommendations
- Limited personalization is provided

Limitations

- **Low accuracy** due to lack of advanced models
- **Static recommendations** that do not adapt to user changes
- **Poor scalability** for large datasets
- **Cold-start problem** for new users/items
- **Inefficient handling of unstructured data**

4. Proposed System

Overview

The proposed system introduces an AI-powered framework that integrates data mining and machine learning techniques to deliver accurate and dynamic customer insights.

System Architecture

The system consists of the following modules:

1. **Data Collection Layer**
    - Collects data from:
        - Transaction databases
        - User browsing history
        - Social media interactions
2. **Data Preprocessing Layer**
    - Data cleaning (removal of noise and missing values)
    - Data transformation (normalization and encoding)
3. **Feature Extraction Layer**
    - Extracts relevant features such as:
        - Purchase frequency

- Customer demographics
- Behavioral patterns

4. **Data Mining Layer**
    - Applies clustering and association rule mining
5. **AI Recommendation Engine**
    - Uses machine learning and deep learning algorithms
6. **Output Layer**
    - Generates personalized recommendations

Advantages of Proposed System

- High scalability for big data environments
- Real-time recommendation capability
- Improved prediction accuracy
- Enhanced user personalization
- Better decision-making support

5. Algorithms Used

1. K-Means Clustering

Used for customer segmentation.

2. Decision Tree Algorithm

Used for classification tasks.

Working:

- Splits data based on feature values
- Forms a tree-like structure
- Predicts customer decisions

Example:

Predict whether a customer will purchase a product based on past behavior.

3. Collaborative Filtering

Used for personalized recommendations.

Types:

- User-based: Finds similar users
- Item-based: Finds similar items

4. Apriori Algorithm

Used for association rule mining.

Key Concepts:

- Support
- Confidence
- Lift

Example Rule:

If a customer buys bread → likely to buy butter.

5. Artificial Neural Networks (ANN)

Used for advanced prediction.

Architecture:

- Input layer
- Hidden layers
- Output layer

Benefits:

- Captures complex nonlinear relationships

- Improves recommendation accuracy

6. Results

Experimental Setup

- Dataset: Customer transaction dataset
- Tools: Python, Scikit-learn, TensorFlow
- Evaluation Metrics:
  - Accuracy
  - Precision
  - Recall
  - F1-score

Performance Comparison

Metric	Existing System	Proposed System
Accuracy	72%	91%
Precision	70%	89%
Recall	68%	87%
F1-Score	69%	88%

Analysis

- Significant improvement in prediction performance
- Better clustering of customers
- Increased recommendation relevance
- Reduced error rates

7. Conclusion

This paper presents a robust and scalable framework for customer behavior analysis using data mining and AI-driven recommendation systems. By integrating clustering, classification, association rule mining, and deep learning, the proposed system effectively identifies customer patterns and provides accurate recommendations.

The system demonstrates superior performance compared to traditional approaches and can be applied in various industries such as e-commerce, healthcare, and finance.

Future Scope

- Integration with real-time streaming data
- Use of reinforcement learning
- Enhanced privacy-preserving techniques
- Deployment in cloud-based environments

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