Engagement and Retention Enhancement using Machine Learning in Customer Service & Support

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Abstract*: The recent implementation of machine learning algorithms in customer services has created new optimized support systems that are automated and personalized. Companies use sentiment analysis tools [1], chatbots [2], and automated customer service [3] to automate the response, engagement, and fulfillment processes of customer expectations. Unlike the predecessors, ML-powered chatbots offer a conversed interaction instead of a delayed response, thus improving the response time together with improving context relevancy. Through sentiment analyses, businesses track customer emotions to put proactive measures in place while improving relations. Predictive analytics serve to reduce and improve the quality of support by anticipating problems and their timing, hence increasing customer satisfaction.*

In addition, MWI is able to build advanced recommender systems which increase sales and retention by providing customers with recommendations that align with their desires and needs. Such systems enhance user experience by offering them relevant products based on their previous purchases, demographics, and browsing behavior. While helpful, ML-enabled customer support comes with challenges such as privacy concerns, algorithmic bias, and costly implementation [5]. Businesses need to ensure that there are workable AI ethics policies [6], as well as secure data processing to manage these risks. To maintain trust and meet regulatory standards, organizations need to integrate responsible AI, which includes providing explanations, ensuring fairness, and continual updating of the model.

Ultimately, the use of automated support based on machine learning enhances efficiency, quality and timeliness of operational processes. Unlike most companies, those applying machine learning algorithms will enjoy the privilege of providing instant, bespoke, data rich personalized assistance. The spread of AI constantly compels firms to advance their machine learning approaches to meet the rising expectations of customers and businesses alike.

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