Analysis of Churn Rates for the Media Product

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Supporting Model Analysis

Full Logistic Regression Model vs Lasso

| | full logistic regression | lasso |
|------------|--------------------------------|-------|
| t | V | V |
| trial | V | V |
| nextpreice | V | V |
| sports1 | | V |
| news1 | | V |
| crime1 | | |
| life1 | | |
| boits1 | | |
| business1 | | |
| opinion1 | | |
| mobile | | |
| tablet | | V |
| desktop | V | V |

Why we chose Lasso?

- Simplifying the model & highlighting the most predictive features (feature selection)
- Prevention of Overfitting
- Mitigating Multicollinearity
- Involving CV to choose the penalty term
- Better with Large Datasets

Key Differences with fitting Lasso Regression:

Excluded content variables: crime1, life1, obits1, business1, opinion1

Excluded device: Mobile

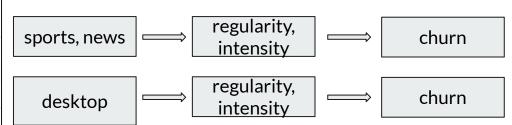
Relevant Predictors: Sports1, news1, and tablet

Drop: Regularity

Regularity vs. Intensity

Multicollinearity ATTENTION PIPE effect

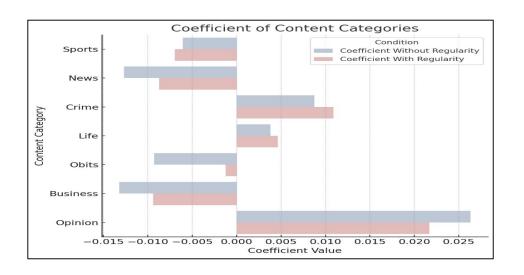
| Model <chr></chr> | regularity <dbl></dbl> | intensity <dbl></dbl> |
|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Model 1 | -0.02650976 | -0.007710695 |
| Model 2 | -0.03194412 | NA |
| Model 3 | NA | -0.018856812 |



Recommendations through two aspects:

- Content: Provide targeted and personalized content
- Device: Improve user interface experience

Content



Recommendations:

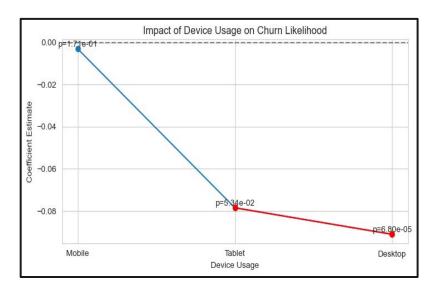
- Send out weekly newsletter (summary) of news and sports updates based on user preference (NFL, MLB, NBA, NHL, etc.)
- Create a community forum about sports and news where allows the users to share opinions and interact with each other, fostering a sense of community engagement
- Optimize the User Interface (UI) by implementing features like the personalized homepages of chosen topics, trending sections, and quick access to live events

Device

Recommendations:

- Focus improvement on Desktop app -> more cost effective
 - Monitor tablet usage due to potential trends
- Enhancing the desktop app with unique features
- Improve user experience on Desktop especially for viewing sports and news content.
 - High correlation between 'Desktop' and 'Sports' and 'Desktop' and 'News.'

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>> cor(np[, c("sports1","news1","crime1","life1","obits1","business1","opinion1","desktop", "tablet", "mobile" )])
                                           life1
                                                     obits1 business1 opinion1
                                 crime1
                                                                                                   tablet
                                                                                                                 mobile
        1.00000000 0.4861148 0.3745403 0.4956749 0.08746111 0.3868088 0.2947087 0.5135945555
                                                                                              0.22811074 0.2776963583
          0.48611476 1.0000000 0.7968095 0.7324487 0.29673714 0.7417767 0.6443315 0.5904424445
news1
         0.37454029 0.7968095 1.0000000 0.6319266 0.32786547 0.6639045 0.5188632 0.4679249258 0.26229082 0.3375699726
crime1
life1
          0.49567490 0.7324487 0.6319266 1.0000000 0.17748451 0.7008035 0.5292420 0.5614829325 0.12145290 0.2279075007
obits1
          0.08746111 0.2967371 0.3278655 0.1774845 1.00000000 0.2451812 0.2222497 0.2525486425 0.18202964 0.0588006549
business1 0.38680884 0.7417767 0.6639045 0.7008035 0.24518123 1.0000000 0.5112372 0.5215124571 0.16491642 0.2173430392
         0.29470874 0.6443315 0.5188632 0.5292420 0.22224972 0.5112372 1.0000000 0.3701101103 0.18617610 0.1637013975
         0.51359456 0.5904424 0.4679249 0.5614829 0.25254864 0.5215125 0.3701101 1.0000000000 -0.06926456 0.0001040844
desktop
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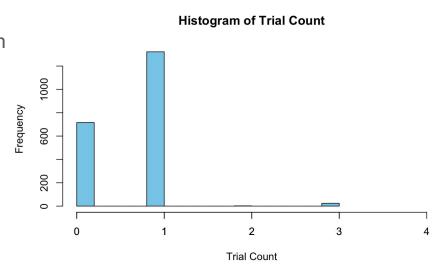


Red section indicates a statistically significant relationship between desktop usage and churn

Trial

Statistics:

- From 1348 trial rate offers, 1222 users continued their subscription, resulting in a 90.7% conversion rate
- On average, users who churned had a non-trial subscription duration of 3.04 months
- Potential reasons: trial expiration or customers' trial-signup behavior
- Positive and statistically significant (p = 0.0458), indicating that customers who are on a trial are more likely to churn

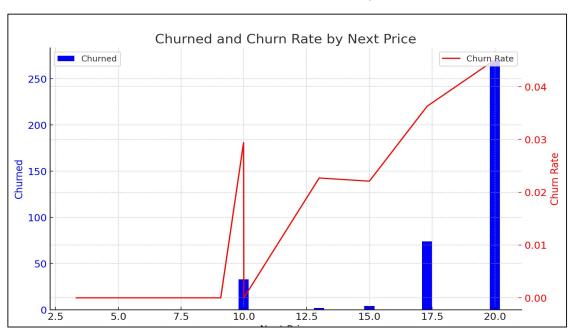


Recommendation:

- Targeted emails and notifications during the trial period
- Offer trial money back if customer stays for a year (but only if trial price is substantial)

NextPrice

Churn rates for different Subscription Prices



Statistics:

- Churn Spike Just Below 10 dollars indicating high sensitivity
- Gradual Increase between \$10-\$20 -> Conduct thorough price sensitivity analysis

Recommendations:

- Offering loyalty discounts or rewards to long-term subscribers
- Introduce price differentiation to attract a wider customer base, particularly those who are price-sensitive.

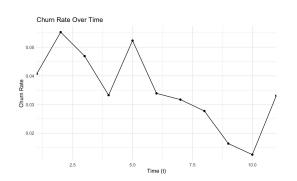
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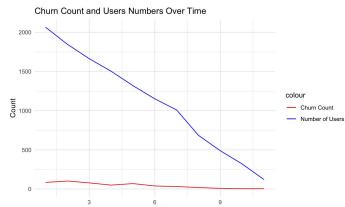
- Time(t): Variable t representing time was significant and negative in the lasso model, implying that as time goes on, the likelihood of churn decreases.
- This can be interpreted as customers who remain with the service over time are less likely to churn, highlighting the importance of customer lifecycle.

Recommendation:

Introduce discounted rates or additional benefits for customers who subscribe to long-term plans (e.g., annual subscriptions)

Chum Count and Users Numbers Over Time





Final Recommendations

- **T:** Focus on retaining the customer for a longer period through loyalty programs and promotions
- **Trial:** Trial customers have higher likelihood to churn so focusing on retention strategies by improving user onboarding to provide a smooth, intuitive, and effectively communicative process
- Content: Target on promoting sports and news content
- **Device:** Improve user experience on desktop apps
- Regularity: Improve based on content and device

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LISTENING

Appendix A

| | nextchurn | t | trial | nextprice | regularity | intensity | sports1 | news1 | crime1 | life1 |
|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| nextchurn | 1 | NA | NA | NA | NA | . NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| t | NA | 1.00000000 | -0.44249212 | NA | -0.2338832 | -0.1834243 | -0.10927286 | -0.13358533 | -0.09965130 | -0.02855867 |
| trial | NA - | -0.44249212 | 1.00000000 | NA | 0.1838662 | 0.1494231 | 0.10457443 | 0.09001513 | 0.08089107 | 0.02341488 |
| nextprice | NA | NA | NA | 1 | NA | . NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| regularity | NA - | -0.23388320 | 0.18386622 | NA | 1.0000000 | 0.4902455 | 0.55671409 | 0.55160160 | 0.51258070 | 0.38195478 |
| intensity | NA - | -0.18342428 | 0.14942310 | NA | 0.4902455 | 1.0000000 | 0.59855460 | 0.71617433 | 0.60409355 | 0.62249721 |
| sports1 | NA - | -0.10927286 | 0.10457443 | NA | 0.5567141 | 0.5985546 | 1.00000000 | 0.48611476 | 0.37454029 | 0.49567490 |
| news1 | NA - | -0.13358533 | 0.09001513 | NA | 0.5516016 | 0.7161743 | 0.48611476 | 1.00000000 | 0.79680948 | 0.73244869 |
| crime1 | NA - | -0.09965130 | 0.08089107 | NA | 0.5125807 | 0.6040936 | 0.37454029 | 0.79680948 | 1.00000000 | 0.63192664 |
| life1 | NA - | -0.02855867 | 0.02341488 | NA | 0.3819548 | 0.6224972 | 0.49567490 | 0.73244869 | 0.63192664 | 1.00000000 |
| obits1 | NA - | -0.06413623 | 0.05124861 | NA | 0.3183052 | 0.2469580 | 0.08746111 | 0.29673714 | 0.32786547 | 0.17748451 |
| business1 | NA - | -0.04687109 | 0.02921467 | NA | 0.4295396 | 0.5764350 | 0.38680884 | 0.74177665 | 0.66390453 | 0.70080346 |
| opinion1 | NA - | -0.08018140 | 0.05134520 | NA | 0.3412826 | 0.4790911 | 0.29470874 | 0.64433152 | 0.51886322 | 0.52924202 |
| mobile | NA - | -0.09962180 | 0.07504326 | NA | 0.4108651 | 0.2716088 | 0.27769636 | 0.34116324 | 0.33756997 | 0.22790750 |
| tablet | NA - | -0.07185005 | 0.06585170 | NA | 0.3054455 | 0.1925668 | 0.22811074 | 0.22346003 | 0.26229082 | 0.12145290 |
| desktop | NA - | -0.09534683 | 0.07063081 | NA | 0.5977743 | 0.5354464 | 0.51359456 | 0.59044244 | 0.46792493 | 0.56148293 |
| | obits: | 1 business | 1 opinion1 | _ mo | obile | tablet | desktop | | | |
| nextchurn | N/ | | IA NA | | NA | NA | NA | | | |
| t | -0.06413623 | 3 -0.0468710 | 9 -0.0801814 | -0.09962 | 17976 -0.07 | 185005 -0.09 | 953468329 | | | |
| trial | 0.05124863 | | | 0.07504 | 32552 0.06 | | 706308122 | | | |
| nextprice | N/ | | IA NA | 1 | NA | NA | NA | | | |
| regularity | 0.31830520 | 0.4295396 | | | 51268 0.30 | 544553 0.59 | 977742957 | | | |
| intensity | 0.24695796 | | | | | | 354464371 | | | |
| sports1 | 0.0874611 | | | | | | 135945555 | | | |
| news1 | 0.29673714 | | | | | | 904424445 | | | |
| crime1 | 0.32786547 | | | | | | 679249258 | | | |
| life1 | 0.1774845 | | | | | | 614829325 | | | |
| obits1 | 1.00000000 | | | | | | 525486425 | | | |
| business1 | 0.24518123 | | | | | | 215124571 | | | |
| opinion1 | 0.22224977 | | | De 101 DO 101 CO | | | 701101103 | | | |
| mobile | 0.0588006 | | | | 00000 -0.02 | | 001040844 | | | |
| tablet | 0.1820296 | | | -0.022929 | | | 692645553 | | | |
| desktop | 0.25254864 | 4 0.5215124 | 6 0.3701101 | 0.00010 | 40844 -0.06 | 926456 1.00 | 000000000 | | | |

Appendix B

| | LASSO full | LASSO (no regularity intensity) | engagement | content | device | engagement + content | full model |
|------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|---------|--------|----------------------------|------------|
| t | V | V | V | V | V | V | V |
| trial | V | V | V | V | V | V | V |
| nextpriece | V | V | V | V | V | V | V |
| sports1 | | V | | V | | | |
| news1 | | V | | V | | | |
| crime1 | | - | | | | | |
| life1 | | | | | | | |
| obits1 | | | | | | | |
| business1 | | | | | | | |
| opinion1 | | | | | | | |
| mobile | | | | | | | |
| desktop | ٧ | V | | | V | V | |
| tablet | | V | | | (V) | | |
| regularity | V | | V | _ | | | V |
| intensity | V | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | V: STATISTICA | V: STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT | | | | | |
| | hlue shade: feature included in model | | | | | | |