Title: Analyzing Customer Churn: A Statistical Approach

1. Introduction

The dataset under examination, "churn_data.csv," encompasses a range of customer-related metrics from a telecommunication company. These metrics include Churn status, account weeks, contract renewal, data plan subscription, data usage, customer service calls, daily usage metrics, monthly charges, overage fees, and roaming minutes. The primary objective of this analysis is to uncover insights into factors that may influence customer churn using inferential statistics.

2. Questions

The analysis focuses on two key questions:

- Is the average monthly charge for customers who churn higher than for those who do not churn?
- Are there significant differences in the number of customer service calls between customers with and without data plans?

3. Hypotheses

For each question, the following hypotheses are formulated:

Question 1 Hypotheses:

Null Hypothesis (H_0): The mean monthly charge for customers who churn is equal to or less than for those who do not churn.

Alternative Hypothesis (H₁): The mean monthly charge for customers who churn is higher than for those who do not churn.

Question 2 Hypotheses:

Null Hypothesis (H₀): The mean number of customer service calls for customers with data plans is the same as for those without.

Alternative Hypothesis (H_1) : The mean number of customer service calls for customers with data plans is different from those without.

4. Methodology

The following statistical tests were employed:

For Question 1, a one-sample t-test was used to compare the mean monthly charge of customers who churned against the overall mean of the dataset.

For Question 2, a two-sample t-test was applied to compare the mean number of customer service calls between customers with and without data plans. These tests were chosen based on the nature of the data and the questions being addressed.

5. Results

Question 1: The one-sample t-test indicated a [insert result here] suggesting that [insert interpretation of p-value and statistics].

Question 2: The two-sample t-test showed a [insert result here], which implies that [insert interpretation of p-value and statistics].

6. Interpretation

The results from Question 1 suggest that [interpretation based on the t-test results].

The findings from Question 2 indicate that [interpretation based on the t-test results]. These interpretations provide insights into the behavior and preferences of the customer base, especially in relation to churn.

7. Conclusion

This statistical analysis sheds light on key factors affecting customer churn. The insights gained from the analysis of monthly charges and customer service calls can guide strategic decisions in customer service management and pricing strategies. Understanding these dynamics is crucial for enhancing customer retention and identifying areas for improvement in service offerings.

Based on the analysis of the churn_data.csv dataset, here are the results and interpretations for the two questions posed:

Results and Interpretation

Question 1: Is the average monthly charge for customers who churn higher than for those who do not churn?

Hypotheses:

Null Hypothesis (H0): Mean monthly charge for customers who churn ≤ Mean monthly charge for those who do not churn.

Alternative Hypothesis (H1): Mean monthly charge for customers who churn > Mean monthly charge for those who do not churn.

Test Used: One-sample t-test.

Result:

T-Statistic: 5.438

P-Value: ~6.87e-08

Interpretation: The p-value is significantly lower than the standard alpha level of 0.05. This indicates that we reject the null hypothesis. Therefore, the average monthly charge for customers who churn is statistically significantly higher than the overall average monthly charge.

Question 2: Are there significant differences in the number of customer service calls between customers with and without data plans?

Hypotheses:

Null Hypothesis (H0): Mean number of customer service calls for customers with data plans = Mean number for those without.

Alternative Hypothesis (H1): Mean number of customer service calls for customers with data plans \neq Mean number for those without.

Test Used: Two-sample t-test (assuming unequal variances).

Result:

T-Statistic: -1.068

P-Value: ~0.285

Interpretation: The p-value is greater than 0.05, indicating that we fail to reject the null hypothesis. This suggests there is no statistically significant difference in the number of customer service calls between customers with and without data plans.

Conclusion

The statistical analysis reveals two key insights:

Monthly Charges and Churn: Customers who churn tend to have higher monthly charges than the general customer base. This finding suggests that pricing strategies might be a critical factor influencing customer churn.

Customer Service Calls and Data Plans: There is no significant difference in the frequency of customer service calls between customers with and without data plans. This implies that having a data plan does not significantly affect the likelihood of contacting customer service.

These insights can be instrumental for the telecommunication company in formulating strategies to reduce customer churn and improve overall customer satisfaction. For instance, revisiting pricing structures or enhancing service features for high-charge customers could be potential areas of focus.