BrandMatch1A Cohere Commerce

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Overview

Project Overview

































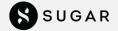
























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Retail Businesses in US

https://www.ibisworld.com/industry-statistics/number-of-businesses/retail-trade-united-states/

"This is OVERWHELMING!"

71% of Consumers

expect tailored experiences, but retailers lack tools to meet these expectations!

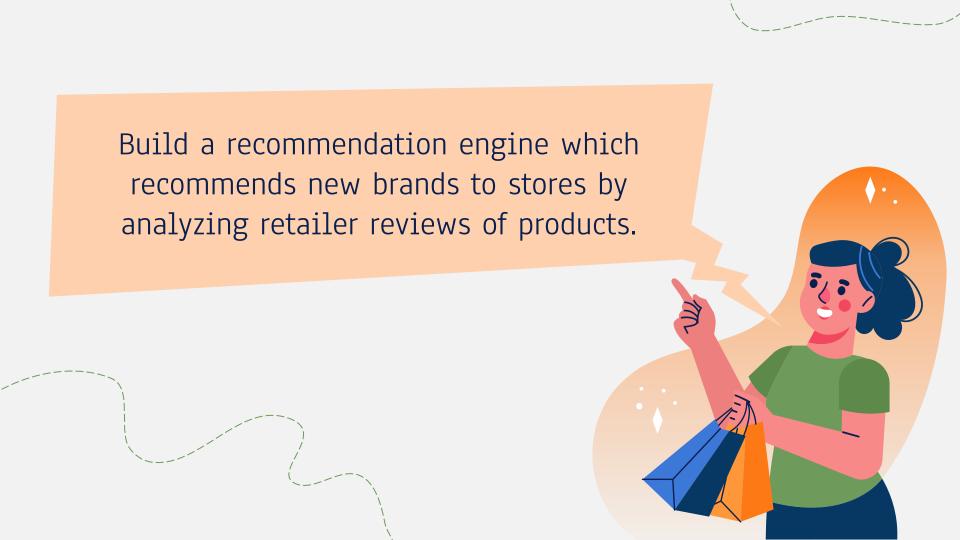
The Evolution Of Retail In 2024: A Glimpse Into The Future



to purchase online from a business that doesn't also have a storefront



The Future Of Retail: What The Stats Say About Retailers In 2023



Our Solution

Simplify Decision-Making

Leverages sentiment analysis, ratings, and reviews to identify the best brands for each retailer.

Drive Personalization

Matches brands with retailers based on customer interests and market fit.

Empower Retailers

Provides actionable insights that improve buyer confidence, streamline vendor selection, and boost sales



Our Goals

Recommendation System

Develop a robust recommendation model to match brands with retailers based on customer preferences.

Service Integration

Build an API to connect the ML
Pipeline of Recommendation models
to Cohere Commerce Website, allowing
for brand discovery







Impact

Business Impact

Business Impact



Convenient Search and Find

Simplifies finding suitable brands based on user preferences, saving time and effort.

Improved User Search Experience

Personalized brand recommendations lead to higher customer satisfaction and engagement.

Increased Business Growth

Cohere Commerce offers a dynamic platform for businesses because now retailers and brands can easily expand their reach by connecting with the right products



Solution Overview

Summary and High-Level Approach

Approach

Pre-Processing

Handling Missing Values, Outliers. Tokenizing Reviews Data.

Recommendation Pipeline

Combining all the components into a single pipeline that passes through cleaning, connects models, to a final MCDM model.





Building Models

Leveraging BERT model for Sentiment Analysis. Utilizing Collaborative Filtering and Matrix Factorization to find similar brands based on reviews.

API Development

Developing an API that can be accessed through Cohere Commerce Website to access the AI Functionality

Resources We Leveraged

Tools & Libraries	Languages & Frameworks
Google Colab	Python
Sci-kit Learn	• FastAPI
Google BERT	JavaScript
• GitHub	• HTML

Summary of Insights & Key Findings

Key Findings:

- Sentiment analysis from review data helps refine brand preferences.
- Collaborative filtering significantly improves brand suggestions by identifying similar preferences.
- SVD matrix factorization uncovers hidden patterns in user-brand interactions.

Results:

>An API Endpoint that connects to our ML Pipeline





Data Understanding

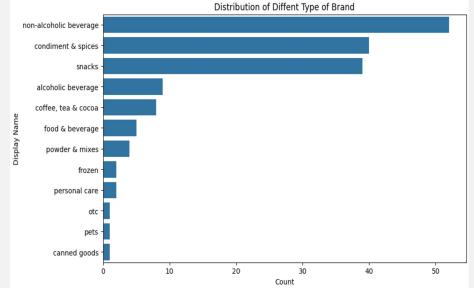
Pre-Processing and Data Cleaning

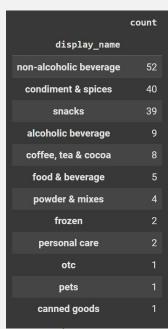
Data Understanding

164 Unique Brands

12 Product Types

6 Rating Types







['rating_shipping', 'rating_service', 'rating_price', 'rating_quality', 'rating_packaging', 'rating_taste']

Data Preprocessing



Removed stopwords, special characters, and performed unified lowercasing.

Lemmatization/ Stemming

Reduced words to their base form to minimize vocabulary size.

Vectorization

Converted text into numerical features using TF-IDF, Word Embeddings (BERT, Word2Vec)





After Cleaning

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Data Summary

Dataset Overview

2032 reviews, 164 brands, 12 product categories with significant imbalance (e.g., 52 beverage brands vs. 1 pet product brand)

Cleaned and aggregated review content, applied tokenization, stopword removal, and lemmatization.

Data Preprocessing

Extracted features such as aggregated review content, average ratings, and multi-criteria ratings (e.g., packaging, price).

Sentiment Analysis

Used BFRT to read the review content and grade each review on scale 1-5

Next: Recommendation Models



Modeling

Building ML Model



Modeling

Sentence Transformer

Converted reviews data into word embeddings (vectors)

Weighted Features

Rating types assigned different weights based on user preferences

Trained SVD Model

Performs Matrix Factorization on review embeddings to reveal underlying key patterns and latent factors (essential for recommendation systems)

Matching Similar Brands

Using SVD model's top predicted output and associated rating weights, top brands are selected by score

Recommendation

The Top 5 brands according to user preferences are shown!

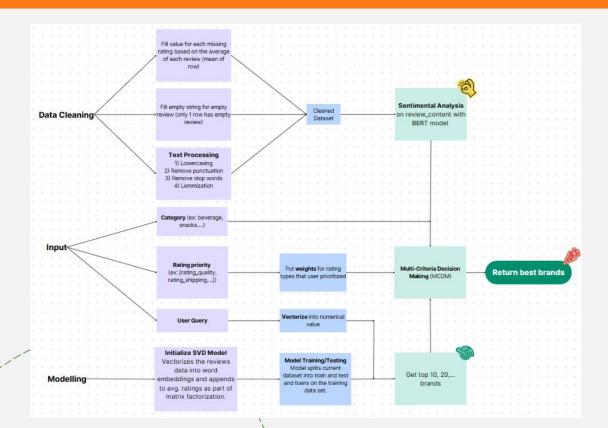




Key Findings

Insights and Key Results

Model Diagram



Demo

Sample Demonstration of how our the model is returning specific brand ids to match with user preferences through an API call from our sample WebPage.



Insights & Key Findings

Key Findings:

- Data
 - Preprocessing: Cleaned and aggregated review content, applied tokenization, stopword removal, and lemmatization
 - Extracted features such as aggregated review content, average ratings, and multi-criteria ratings (e.g., packaging, price).
- Analysis
 - Used BERT to classify reviews into 5 sentiment categories
- Recommendation Models: SVD, KNN, Matrix Factorization

Summary: Identified top brands in categories (e.g., snacks, beverages) based on multi-criteria scores and sentiment, aligning with user-defined priorities.

(We Found...

- 1. Compréhensive recommendations balancing qualitative (sentiment) and quantitative (ratings) data.
- 2.— Actionable insights for retailers to optimize brand selection and improve customer satisfaction



Final Thoughts

Next Steps

What We Learned

Gained Proficiency

Learning New Tech

Challenges



Managing Data Sparsity while training models, and balancing model performance with computational costs

Gained expertise in integrating collaborative filtering, content-based analysis, and decision-making frameworks.







Next Steps



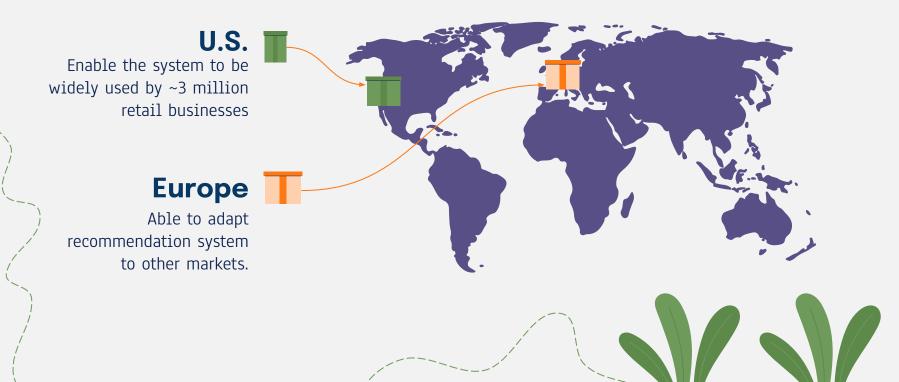
Real-Time Adaptation

Enable the system to adapt to new reviews and user feedback dynamically with continuous feedback from users in real time. Adapt to new rating types and preferences in the future.

Strengthen Data Sources

Incorporate more data (e.g., sales performance, seasonal trends) for more contextual recommendations for users to make better decisions

Next Jumps





Any Questions?

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