

ML0101EN-RecSys-Collaborative-Filtering-movies-py-v1

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COLLABORATIVE FILTERING

Recommendation systems are a collection of algorithms used to recommend items to users based on information taken from the user. These systems have become ubiquitous can be commonly seen in online stores, movies databases and job finders. In this notebook, we will explore recommendation systems based on Collaborative Filtering and implement simple version of one using Python and the Pandas library.

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Acquiring the Data

To acquire and extract the data, simply run the following Bash scripts:

Dataset acquired from [GroupLens](#). Lets download the dataset. To download the data, we will use `!wget` to download it from IBM Object Storage.

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```
In [1]: !wget -O moviedataset.zip https://s3-api.us-geo.objectstorage.softlayer.net/cf-courses-data/CognitiveClass/
        print('unzipping ...')
        !unzip -o -j moviedataset.zip
```

```
--2019-05-10 07:44:07-- https://s3-api.us-geo.objectstorage.softlayer.net/cf-courses-data/CognitiveClass/ML0101EN
Resolving s3-api.us-geo.objectstorage.softlayer.net (s3-api.us-geo.objectstorage.softlayer.net)... 67.228.254.193
Connecting to s3-api.us-geo.objectstorage.softlayer.net (s3-api.us-geo.objectstorage.softlayer.net)|67.228.254.193|:4
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 160301210 (153M) [application/zip]
Saving to: moviedataset.zip
```

```
moviedataset.zip 100%[=====>] 152.88M 26.3MB/s in 5.4s
```

```
2019-05-10 07:44:13 (28.2 MB/s) - moviedataset.zip saved [160301210/160301210]
```

```
unzipping ...
```

Archive: moviedataset.zip
inflating: links.csv
inflating: movies.csv
inflating: ratings.csv
inflating: README.txt
inflating: tags.csv

Now you're ready to start working with the data!
Preprocessing
First, let's get all of the imports out of the way:

```
In [2]: #Dataframe manipulation library
import pandas as pd
#Math functions, we'll only need the sqrt function so let's import only that
from math import sqrt
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
```

Now let's read each file into their Dataframes:

```
In [3]: #Storing the movie information into a pandas dataframe
movies_df = pd.read_csv('movies.csv')
#Storing the user information into a pandas dataframe
ratings_df = pd.read_csv('ratings.csv')
```

Let's also take a peek at how each of them are organized:

```
In [4]: #Head is a function that gets the first N rows of a dataframe. N's default is 5.
movies_df.head()
```

```
Out[4]:  movieId          title \
0         1      Toy Story (1995)
1         2      Jumanji (1995)
2         3  Grumpier Old Men (1995)
3         4  Waiting to Exhale (1995)
4         5  Father of the Bride Part II (1995)

          genres
0  Adventure|Animation|Children|Comedy|Fantasy
1      Adventure|Children|Fantasy
2      Comedy|Romance
3      Comedy|Drama|Romance
4      Comedy
```

So each movie has a unique ID, a title with its release year along with it (Which may contain unicode characters) and several different genres in the same field. Let's remove the year from the title column and place it into its own one by using the handy [extract](#) function that Pandas has.

Let's remove the year from the **title** column by using pandas' replace function and store in a new **year** column.

```
In [5]: #Using regular expressions to find a year stored between parentheses
#We specify the parantheses so we don't conflict with movies that have years in their titles
movies_df['year'] = movies_df.title.str.extract('(\d\d\d\d)',expand=False)
#Removing the parentheses
movies_df['year'] = movies_df.year.str.extract('(\d\d\d\d)',expand=False)
#Removing the years from the 'title' column
movies_df['title'] = movies_df.title.str.replace('(\d\d\d\d)', '')
#Applying the strip function to get rid of any ending whitespace characters that may have appeared
movies_df['title'] = movies_df['title'].apply(lambda x: x.strip())
```

Let's look at the result!

```
In [6]: movies_df.head()
```

```
Out[6]:
```

| | movieId | title \ | genres | year |
|---|---------|-----------------------------|--------|------|
| 0 | 1 | Toy Story | | |
| 1 | 2 | Jumanji | | |
| 2 | 3 | Grumpier Old Men | | |
| 3 | 4 | Waiting to Exhale | | |
| 4 | 5 | Father of the Bride Part II | | |

| | genres | year |
|---|---|------|
| 0 | Adventure Animation Children Comedy Fantasy | 1995 |
| 1 | Adventure Children Fantasy | 1995 |
| 2 | Comedy Romance | 1995 |
| 3 | Comedy Drama Romance | 1995 |
| 4 | Comedy | 1995 |

With that, let's also drop the genres column since we won't need it for this particular recommendation system.

```
In [7]: #Dropping the genres column
movies_df = movies_df.drop('genres', 1)
```

Here's the final movies dataframe:

```
In [8]: movies_df.head()
```

```
Out[8]:
```

| | movieId | title | year |
|---|---------|-----------------------------|------|
| 0 | 1 | Toy Story | 1995 |
| 1 | 2 | Jumanji | 1995 |
| 2 | 3 | Grumpier Old Men | 1995 |
| 3 | 4 | Waiting to Exhale | 1995 |
| 4 | 5 | Father of the Bride Part II | 1995 |

Next, let's look at the ratings dataframe.

```
In [9]: ratings_df.head()
```

```
Out[9]:  userId  movieId  rating  timestamp
0      1      169      2.5  1204927694
1      1      2471      3.0  1204927438
2      1      48516      5.0  1204927435
3      2      2571      3.5  1436165433
4      2     109487      4.0  1436165496
```

Every row in the ratings dataframe has a user id associated with at least one movie, a rating and a timestamp showing when they reviewed it. We won't be needing the timestamp column, so let's drop it to save on memory.

```
In [10]: #Drop removes a specified row or column from a dataframe
ratings_df = ratings_df.drop('timestamp', 1)
```

Here's how the final ratings Dataframe looks like:

```
In [11]: ratings_df.head()
```

```
Out[11]:  userId  movieId  rating
0      1      169      2.5
1      1      2471      3.0
2      1      48516      5.0
3      2      2571      3.5
4      2     109487      4.0
```

Collaborative Filtering

Now, time to start our work on recommendation systems.

The first technique we're going to take a look at is called **Collaborative Filtering**, which is also known as **User-User Filtering**. As hinted by its alternate name, this technique uses other users to recommend items to the input user. It attempts to find users that have similar preferences and opinions as the input and then recommends items that they have liked to the input. There are several methods of finding similar users (Even some making use of Machine Learning), and the one we will be using here is going to be based on the **Pearson Correlation Function**.

The process for creating a User Based recommendation system is as follows: - Select a user with the movies the user has watched - Based on his rating to movies, find the top X neighbours - Get the watched movie record of the user for each neighbour. - Calculate a similarity score using some formula - Recommend the items with the highest score

Let's begin by creating an input user to recommend movies to:

Notice: To add more movies, simply increase the amount of elements in the userInput. Feel free to add more in! Just be sure to write it in with capital letters and if a movie starts with a "The", like "The Matrix" then write it in like this: 'Matrix, The' .

```
In [12]: userInput = [
            {'title':'Breakfast Club, The', 'rating':5},
            {'title':'Toy Story', 'rating':3.5},
            {'title':'Jumanji', 'rating':2},
            {'title':"Pulp Fiction", 'rating':5},
            {'title':'Akira', 'rating':4.5}
        ]
inputMovies = pd.DataFrame(userInput)
inputMovies
```

```
Out[12]:
```

| | rating | title |
|---|--------|---------------------|
| 0 | 5.0 | Breakfast Club, The |
| 1 | 3.5 | Toy Story |
| 2 | 2.0 | Jumanji |
| 3 | 5.0 | Pulp Fiction |
| 4 | 4.5 | Akira |

Add movieId to input user With the input complete, let's extract the input movies's ID's from the movies dataframe and add them into it.

We can achieve this by first filtering out the rows that contain the input movies' title and then merging this subset with the input dataframe. We also drop unnecessary columns for the input to save memory space.

```
In [13]: #Filtering out the movies by title
inputId = movies_df[movies_df['title'].isin(inputMovies['title'].tolist())]
#Then merging it so we can get the movieId. It's implicitly merging it by title.
inputMovies = pd.merge(inputId, inputMovies)
#Dropping information we won't use from the input dataframe
inputMovies = inputMovies.drop('year', 1)
#Final input dataframe
#If a movie you added in above isn't here, then it might not be in the original
#dataframe or it might spelled differently, please check capitalisation.
inputMovies
```

```
Out[13]:
```

| | movieId | title | rating |
|---|---------|---------------------|--------|
| 0 | 1 | Toy Story | 3.5 |
| 1 | 2 | Jumanji | 2.0 |
| 2 | 296 | Pulp Fiction | 5.0 |
| 3 | 1274 | Akira | 4.5 |
| 4 | 1968 | Breakfast Club, The | 5.0 |

The users who has seen the same movies Now with the movie ID's in our input, we can now get the subset of users that have watched and reviewed the movies in our input.

```
In [14]: #Filtering out users that have watched movies that the input has watched and storing it
userSubset = ratings_df[ratings_df['movieId'].isin(inputMovies['movieId'].tolist())]
userSubset.head()
```

```
Out[14]:
```

| | userId | movieId | rating |
|-----|--------|---------|--------|
| 19 | 4 | 296 | 4.0 |
| 441 | 12 | 1968 | 3.0 |
| 479 | 13 | 2 | 2.0 |
| 531 | 13 | 1274 | 5.0 |
| 681 | 14 | 296 | 2.0 |

We now group up the rows by user ID.

```
In [15]: #Groupby creates several sub dataframes where they all have the same value in the column specified as t
userSubsetGroup = userSubset.groupby(['userId'])
```