Music Recommender System



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Problem Definition

Today we live in a world of rapid technological advancements

Result: Distractions hence limited time to consume good content

Platforms rely on recommender systems to retain user attention

The challenge of predicting top_n songs is easy to understand for a non technical audience

Objective



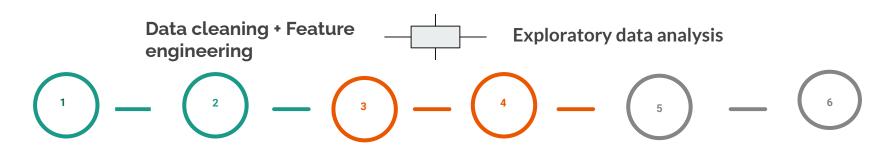
Build a recommendation system to predict the top_n songs for a user based on the likelihood of listening to those songs

Showcase my ability to develop ML tools and lay foundation for deploying and end - to - end ML process

Data:

- ☐ Taste profile subset by Echo Nest: millionsongdataset.com
- Song data (song_id, title, release,artist_name, year) ⇒ 1,000,000 records
- Count data (user_id, song_id, play_count) ⇒ 2,000,000 records
- ☐ It is freely available to the public

Solution Approach



Rank / Popularity based recommendation system

User - User similarity based collaborative filtering

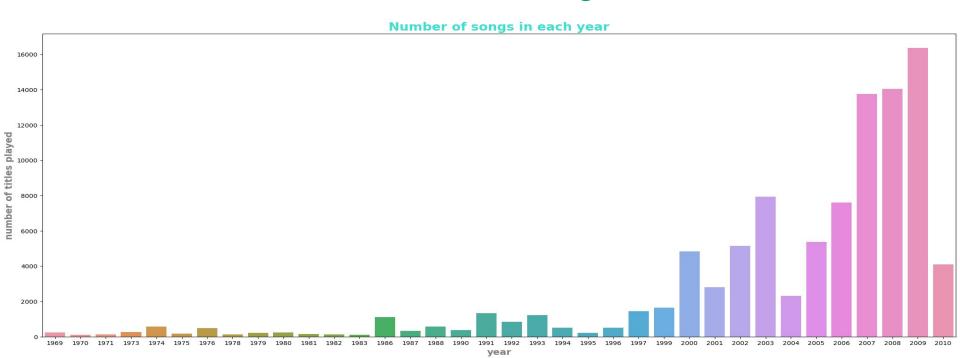
Item - Item similarity based collaborative filtering

Matrix factorization

Clustering - based recommendation system

Content based recommendation system

Distribution of songs



Key observations & insights:

- ☐ The final data was sparse
- Data filtered to retain < = 5 song play_count</p>
- "Corrected_ ratings" utilized
- Hyperparameters tuned to improve models

Solution Approach

Performance Metrics:

- Precision @ k : The fraction of recommended items that are relevant in top k predictions
- Recall @ k: The fraction of relevant items that are recommended to the user in top k predictions
- RMSE: Checks how far the overall predicted ratings are from the actual ratings
- F1_Score @ k: The harmonic mean of Precision @ k and Recall @ k

Solution Approach

User - User Similarity

Item - Item **Similarity**

Model based/Matrix factorization

Cluster based

RMSE: 1.0521

Precision: 0.413

Recall: 0.721

F 1 score: 0.525

Precision: 0.408

RMSE: 1.0328

Recall: 0.665

F 1 score: 0.506

RMSE: 1.0141

Precision: 0.415

Recall: 0.635

F 1 score: 0.502

RMSE: 1.0654

Precision: 0.394

Recall: 0.566

F_1 score: 0.465

Sample recommendation

Proposal for future solution design and outlook



- A robust hybrid recommendation system will be used
- ☐ I will build an interactive tool showcasing the end to end machine learning process
- Hyperparameter tuning will be done to improve model performance
- Continuous training on new data to improve model

