Assignment No-05(Group B)

Title: - Develop an elementary chatbot.

Objectives:-

1. Understand the concept of chatbot.

Problem Statement:-

Develop an elementary chatbot for any suitable customer interaction application.

Software and Hardware requirements:-

- 1. **Operating system:** Linux- Ubuntu 16.04 to 17.10, or Windows 7 to 10,
- **2. RAM-** 2GB RAM (4GB preferable)
- **3.** You have to install **Python3** or higher version or Turbo C++ or JDK.

Theory-

What is a chatbot?

A chatbot is a computer program designed to have a conversation with human beings over the internet. It's also known as conversational agents, which communicate and collaborate with human users, through text messaging, in order to accomplish a specific task. Basically, there are two types of chatbots. The one that uses Artificial Intelligence, and another one is based on multiple choice scripts.

Both types of chatbots aim to create a more personalized content experience for the users, whether that's while watching a video, reading articles or buying new shoes.

These Chatbots hold the promise of being the next generation of technology that people use to interact online with business enterprises. These Chatbots offer a lot of advantages, one of which is that, because Chatbots communicate using a natural language, users don't need to learn yet another new website interface, to get comfortable with the unavoidable quirks.

Chatbots are capable to interpret human speech, and decide which information is being sought. Artificial intelligence is getting smarter each day, and brands that are integrating Chatbots with the artificial intelligence, can deliver one-to-one individualized experiences to consumers.

Why chatbot?

Chatbots can be useful in many aspects of the customer experience, including providing customer service, presenting product recommendations and engaging customers through targeted marketing campaigns. If a customer has an issue with a product, she can connect with a chatbot to explain the situation and the chatbot can input that information to provide a recommendation of how to fix the product. On the recommendation side, chatbots

can be used to share popular products with customers that they might find useful and can act as a sort of personal shopper or concierge service to find the perfect gift, meal or night out for a customer with just a few basic questions. Brands are also using chatbots to connect their customers with thought leaders and add personality to their products. In all cases, brands seem to be having great success and experiencing increased engagement and revenue.

Chatbots are easy to use and many customers prefer them over calling a representative on the phone because it tends to be faster and less invasive. They can also save money for companies and are easy to set up.

Chatbots are relatively new and most companies haven't implemented them yet, it's only natural that users are interested in them. Hence, people want to discover what chatbots can and cannot do.

The number of businesses using chatbots has grown exponentially. Chatbots have increased from 30,000 in 2016 to over 100,000 today. Every major company has announced their own chatbot and 60% of the youth population uses them daily.

These statistics prove that chatbots are the new-gen tech. No more waiting for the right time to incorporate them into your business. The time is now. By the year 2020, nearly 80% of businesses will have their own chatbot.

Billions of people are already using chatbots, so it's time your business did too.

Benefits of chatbot?

1. Available 24*7:

I'm sure most of you have experienced listening to the boring music playing while you're kept on hold by a customer care agent. On an average people spend 7 minutes until they are assigned to an agent. Gone are the days of waiting for the next available operative. Bots are replacing live chat and other forms of contact such as emails and phone calls.

Since chat bots are basically virtual robots they never get tired and continue to obey your command. They will continue to operate every day throughout the year without requiring to take a break. This improves your customer satisfaction and helps you rank highly in your sector.

2. Handling Customers:

We humans are restricted to the number of things we can do at the same time. A study suggests that humans can only concentrate on 3–4 things at the same time. If it goes beyond that you are bound to meet errors.

Chatbots on the other hand can simultaneously have conversations with thousands of people. No matter what time of the day it is or how many people are contacting you, every single one of them will be answered instantly. Companies like Taco Bell and Domino's are already using chatbots to arrange delivery of parcels.

3. Helps you Save Money:

If you are a business owner you are bound have a lot of employees who need to be paid for the work they do. And these expenses just keep adding up as business grows. Chatbots are a one time investment which helps businesses reduce down on staff required.

You could integrate a customer support chatbot in your business to cater to simple queries of customers and pass on only the complex queries to customer support agents.

4. Automation of repetitive work:

Lets be honest, no one likes doing the same work again and again over brief period of time. In the case of humans, such tasks are prone to errors. Chatbots now help automate tasks which are to be done frequently and at the right time.

Also, now there are numerous slack bots which automate repetitive tasks. This helps people save time and increase productivity. For example, there are new items bought from your eCommerce site or there is a bug reported then it sends a short summary to a slack channel.

5. Personal Assistant:

People could use Bots as a fashion advisor for clothing recommendations, or ask trading tips from a finance bot, suggest places to visit from a travel bot and so forth. This would help the users get a more personal touch from the chatbot. Also, the chatbot will remember all your choices and provide you with relevant choices the next time you visit it.

Application across Industries

According to a new survey, 80% of businesses want to integrate chatbots in their business model by 2020. So which industries can reap the greatest benefits by implementing consumer-facing chatbots? According to a chatbot, these major areas of direct-to-consumer engagement are prime:

Chatbots in Restaurant and Retail Industries

Famous restaurant chains like Burger King and Taco bell has introduced their Chatbots to stand out of competitors of the Industry as well as treat their customers quickly. Customers of these restaurants are greeted by the resident Chatbots, and are offered the menu options- like a counter order, the Buyer chooses their pickup location, pays, and gets told when they can head over to grab their food. Chatbots also works to accept table reservations, take special requests and go take the extra step to make the evening special for your guests.

Chatbots are not only good for the restaurant staff in reducing work and pain but can provide a better user experience for the customers.

Chatbots in Hospitality and Travel

For hoteliers, automation has been held up as a solution for all difficulties related to productivity issues, labour costs, a way to ensure consistently, streamlined production processes across the system. Accurate and immediate delivery of information to customers is a major factor in running a successful online Business, especially in the price sensitive and competitive Travel and Hospitality industry. Chatbots particularly have gotten a lot of attention from the hospitality industry in recent months.

Chatbots can help hotels in a number of areas, including time management, guest services and cost reduction. They can assist guests with elementary questions and requests. Thus, freeing up hotel staff to devote more of their time and attention to time-sensitive, critical, and complicated tasks. They are often more cost effective and faster than their human counterparts. They can be programmed to speak to guests in different languages, making it easier for the guests to speak in their local language to communicate.

Chatbots in Health Industry

Chatbots are a much better fit for patient engagement than Standalone apps. Through these Health-Bots, users can ask health related questions and receive immediate responses. These responses are either original or based on responses to similar questions in the database. The impersonal nature of a bot could act as a benefit in certain situations, where an actual Doctor is not needed.

Chatbots ease the access to healthcare and industry has favourable chances to serve their customers with personalised health tips. It can be a good example of the success of Chatbots and Service Industry combo.

Chatbots in E-Commerce

Mobile messengers- connected with Chatbots and the E-commerce business can open a new channel for selling the products online. E-commerce Shopping destination "Spring" was the early adopter. E-commerce future is where brands have their own Chatbots which can interact with their customers through their apps.

Chatbots in Fashion Industry

Chatbots, AI and Machine Learning pave a new domain of possibilities in the Fashion industry, from Data Analytics to Personal Chatbot Stylists. Fashion is such an industry where luxury goods can only be bought in a few physical boutiques and one to one customer service is essential. The Internet changed this dramatically, by giving the customers a seamless but a very impersonal experience of shopping. This particular problem can be solved by Chatbots. Customers can be treated personally with bots, which can exchange messages, give required

suggestions and information. Famous fashion brands like Burberry, Tommy Hilfiger have recently launched Chatbots for the London and New York Fashion Week respectively. Sephora a famous cosmetics brand and H&M— a fashion clothing brand have also launched their Chatbots.

Chatbots in Finance

Chatbots have already stepped in Finance Industry. Chatbots can be programmed to assists the customers as Financial Advisor, Expense Saving Bot, Banking Bots, Tax bots, etc. Banks and Fintech have ample opportunities in developing bots for reducing their costs as well as human errors. Chatbots can work for customer's convenience, managing multiple accounts, directly checking their bank balance and expenses on particular things. Further about Finance and Chatbots have been discussed in our earlier blog: Chatbots as your Personal Finance Assistant.

Chatbots in Media

Big publisher or small agency, our suite of tools can help your audience chatbot experience rich and frictionless. Famous News and Media companies like The Wall Street Journal, CNN, Fox news, etc have launched their bots to help you receive the latest news on the go.

Conclusion

In this way we implemented an elementary chatbot for any suitable customer interaction application.