

Music Prediction / Recommender System

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Overview

A recommender (or recommendation) system (or engine) is a filtering system which aim is to predict a rating or preference a user would give to an item, eg. a film, a product, a song, etc.

There are two main types of recommender systems:

Content-based filters: Medium postCollaborative filters: Medium post

Goals

The aim of this project is to:

 Generate a content-based music recommender system using a dataset of name, artist, and lyrics for 28500 songs in English-hindi(1950-2019) obtained from Kaggle. The data has been acquired from LyricsFreak through scraping by the author.

Specifications

Content-based filtering is one popular technique of recommendation or recommender systems. The content or attributes of the things you like are referred to as "content."

Content-based methods give recommendations based on the similarity of two song contents or attributes while collaborative methods make a prediction on possible preferences using a matrix with ratings on different songs.

Benefits Content-based Method

- The model doesn't need any data about other users, since the recommendations are specific to this user. This makes it easier to scale to a large number of users.
- The model can capture the specific interests of a user, and can recommend niche items that very few other users are interested in.
- Content-based methods are computationally fast and interpretable. Moreover, they can be efficiently adapted to new items or users.

Drawbacks of Content Based Method

- The model can only give suggestions based on the user's current interests. To
 put it another way, the model's potential to build on the users' existing interests is
 limited.
- Even though this could be helpful, the value of that recommendation is significantly less because it lacks the surprise component of discovering something completely new.
- One of the biggest limitations of content-based recommendation systems is that
 the model only learns to recommend items of the same type that the user is
 already using or, in our case, listening to.

Algorithms Used

<u>K-Means clustering</u> is an unsupervised learning algorithm, which is used when you have unlabeled data. The aim of this algorithm is to find groups

in the data. K-means clustering algorithm has many uses for grouping text documents, images, videos, and much more. It works iteratively to assign each data point to one of the groups based on the Euclidean distance.

Cosine Similarity

We will use the **Cosine Similarity** from Sklearn, as the metric to compute the similarity between two music.

Cosine similarity is a metric used to measure how similar two items are. Mathematically, it measures the cosine of the angle between two vectors projected in a multi-dimensional space. The output value ranges from **0–1**.

0 means no similarity, where as 1 means that both the items are 100% similar.

Working of The Model

To make the recommender system function the user would provide us the name of the song and the year it was released in now our function would input a list of dictionaries of the entered song and the dataset as parameters and would output a list of ten recommended songs by our model.

Thank you!