Career Guidance Chatbot – Documentation

Project Overview

Career Guidance Chatbot is an intelligent Streamlit-based web application designed to recommend career roles based on a user's interests or skills. The chatbot uses a machine learning model trained on a dataset of career-related questions and roles. It recommends the best-matching career and shows related information like salary, education, and courses.

Features

- Predict career based on user input (free text)
- Highlight best-matching career and show top 3 probable matches
- Show description, salary range, required education, and courses
- Display model performance metrics (Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1-score)
- Sidebar with popular careers and user tips
- Beautiful and responsive UI with session-state persistence

Project Structure

Machine Learning Model

- Model: Support Vector Machine (SVM)
- Vectorizer: TF-IDF
- **Input**: User-entered interests or skills
- Output: Predicted career role + Top 3 role suggestions with confidence
- Dataset: career guidance dataset.csv

Dependencies

Install the required libraries using:

pip install streamlit pandas joblib scikit-learn plotly

How It Works

- 1. **Load Assets**: Model, vectorizer, and data are cached for fast access.
- 2. **User Input**: Text describing skills/interests is collected.
- 3. **Prediction**: Input is cleaned, vectorized, and passed to the model.
- 4. **Result**: Best matching career is displayed with details.
- 5. **Extras**: Optional sections show salary, education, and courses.
- 6. **Evaluation**: Metrics and confusion matrix are plotted.

UI/UX Highlights

- Custom header and card layout with CSS (style.css)
- Sidebar: Popular roles as buttons + user tips
- Progress bars for top 3 career matches
- Toggle buttons for extra information
- Session state is used to remember user inputs and button states

Evaluation Metrics

Model performance (calculated using test set):

- Accuracy: Measures overall correct predictions
- **Precision**: Relevance of predicted results
- **Recall**: Coverage of actual correct answers
- **F1-Score**: Balance between precision and recall
- Confusion Matrix: Heatmap showing actual vs. predicted classes

Summary Stats

- Unique Careers: Number of distinct roles in the dataset
- **Total Questions**: Number of training questions
- \(\subseteq \text{ Algorithm: Support Vector Machine (SVM)} \)

Example Prompts

You can try these queries:

- What is the job description for an AI Researcher?
- A typical day for a Data Analyst?
- What does a QA Engineer do?

Future Improvements

- Add feedback loop to improve prediction accuracy
- Integrate external APIs (e.g., Coursera or LinkedIn Learning)
- Include videos/interviews for each career
- Enable voice input and multilingual support
- Add user account system and personalization

Developer Info

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