

Automated ETL Pipeline for Real-Time Box Office & Movie Insights

Problem Statement:

In today's dynamic entertainment industry, **real-time movie performance tracking** is crucial for production houses, distributors, and cinema owners to make data-driven decisions. However, **manually collecting and analyzing data** from multiple platforms like **Box Office Mojo** (for box office performance) and **Rotten Tomatoes** (for audience & critic reviews) is time-consuming, inconsistent, and prone to errors.

The **lack of an integrated system** to fetch, clean, and analyze movie data hinders timely insights into box office trends, audience ratings, and movie popularity.

Objective:

Develop an automated ETL (Extract, Transform, Load) pipeline that:

- 1. Extracts the latest movie titles from:
 - Box Office Mojo (for top box office performers): https://www.boxofficemojo.com/weekend/
 - Rotten Tomatoes (for critically acclaimed movies): https://www.rottentomatoes.com/browse/movies_in_theaters
- Fetches detailed movie information (ratings, release date, box office, etc.) using the OMDb API:
 - OMDb API: http://www.omdbapi.com/
- 3. **Transforms** the data by:
 - o Cleaning movie titles.
 - o Standardizing date formats and genres.
 - o Normalizing ratings for comparison.
- 4. **Loads** the final cleaned data into:
 - A CSV file for easy data manipulation.
 - A PDF report for business presentation purposes.



Key Features:

- **Web Scraping:** Extract movie titles dynamically from Box Office Mojo & Rotten Tomatoes.
- Real-Time Data Integration: Fetch comprehensive movie details via OMDb API.
- Data Cleaning: Remove inconsistencies, handle missing values, and normalize formats.
- Pata Export: Store results in both CSV and PDF formats for flexible reporting.
- Automated ETL Pipeline: A single script to automate the entire process.

Sample Workflow Diagram:

Box Office Mojo

(https://www.boxofficemojo.com/weekend/)

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Rotten Tomatoes

(https://www.rottentomatoes.com/browse/movies_in_theaters)

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[Extract Movie Titles]

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OMDb API

(http://www.omdbapi.com/)

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[Transform & Clean Data]

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CSV File | PDF Report



Real-World Applications:

- 1. **Cinema Chains:** Optimize movie screening schedules based on real-time trends.
- 2. **Production Houses:** Monitor box office performance for competitive analysis.
- 3. Streaming Services: Identify trending movies for acquisition decisions.
- 4. Data Analysts: Build dashboards using the cleaned data for predictive analysis.

Deliverables:

- 1. Python Script with:
 - Web scraping modules for Box Office Mojo & Rotten Tomatoes.
 - o ETL pipeline with data transformation logic.
 - o Integration with OMDb API for movie metadata.
- 2. CSV Dataset with cleaned movie insights.
- 3. PDF Report summarizing key movie details.

Stretch Goals (Optional Enhancements):

- **Data Visualization:** Generate charts using Matplotlib for visual trends.
- Scheduler Integration: Automate daily/weekly data extraction.

TRANSFORMATION OF ETL PIPELINE

Movie Data Transformation Instructions

This document outlines the step-by-step transformation tasks for each movie attribute in the ETL pipeline. The goal is to clean, standardize, and enrich the data to ensure it is ready for analysis.



2 1. Title Transformation

- Remove Special Characters: Use regular expressions to eliminate non-alphanumeric characters.
- Standardized Case: Convert all titles to Title Case for consistency.
- Trim Whitespaces: Remove leading/trailing spaces to maintain uniformity.

Example:

- Original: "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King!"
- Transformed: "The Lord Of The Rings The Return Of The King"

2. Release Date Transformation

- Date Formatting: Replace spaces with hyphens to standardize the date format (e.g., DD MMM YYYY to DD-MMM-YYYY).
- Convert to Date Object: Use date parsing to convert text dates into proper date formats.
- Handle Missing Dates: Replace missing dates with "Unknown."

Example:

Original: "25 Dec 2021"

Transformed: "2021-12-25"

🎭 3. Genre Transformation

- Convert to Lowercase: Ensure all genres are in lowercase for consistency.
- Split Genres: If multiple genres are present, separate them into a list.
- Remove Duplicates: Ensure unique genre entries.

Example:

Original: "Action, Adventure, Fantasy"



Transformed: ['action', 'adventure', 'fantasy']

👉 4. IMDb Rating Transformation

- Convert to Numeric: Change rating from text to a floating-point number.
- Round Off: Round ratings to one decimal place.
- Normalize: Optionally, normalize ratings on a scale of 0 to 1.

Example:

- Original: "8.789"
- Transformed: "8.8"

5. Actors Transformation

- Limit to Top 3: Display only the top three actors.
- **Trim Spaces:** Remove extra spaces around names.
- Sort Alphabetically (Optional): For consistency in display.

Example:

- Original: "Tom Hanks, Robin Wright, Gary Sinise, Mykelti Williamson"
- Transformed: "Tom Hanks, Robin Wright, Gary Sinise"

6. Box Office Transformation

- Remove Currency Symbols: Eliminate \$, ,, and other non-numeric characters.
- Convert to Numeric: Store as an integer for analysis.
- Handle Missing Data: Replace missing values with 0 or N/A.

Example:

- Original: "\$1,200,000"
- Transformed: 1200000



🏆 7. Awards Transformation

- Extract Numbers: Identify and sum all numeric values related to awards won.
- Standardize Format: Display total awards won.
- Handle Missing Awards: Set to 0 if no data is available.

Example:

- Original: "Won 3 Oscars. Another 5 wins & 10 nominations."
- Transformed: 18 (3 + 5 + 10)

8. Metascore Transformation

- Convert to Integer: Change metascore to an integer for calculations.
- Normalize: Convert to a 0-1 scale by dividing by 100.
- Handle Missing Values: Replace "N/A" with None.

Example:

- Original: "85"
- Transformed: 0.85

9. Language Transformation

- Convert to Lowercase: Ensure all language names are in lowercase.
- Standardize Codes: Optionally convert to ISO language codes.
- Handle Missing Data: Replace missing languages with "Unknown."

Example:

- Original: "English, Spanish"
- Transformed: "english, spanish"



10. Production Transformation

- Remove Special Characters: Clean the production company names.
- Standardize Names: Correct common misspellings and standardize abbreviations.
- Handle Missing Data: Replace missing production companies with "Independent."

Example:

- Original: "Warner Bros. Pictures!"
- Transformed: "Warner Bros Pictures"

These transformation steps will ensure clean, consistent, and analysis-ready data throughout your ETL pipeline.

Grading Criteria:

Extract - 10 marks

Transform - 30 marks

Load - 10 marks

Submission Instructions:

To submit your assignment, please follow these guidelines:

- Ensure that your assignment is fully completed.
- Push your code/assignment to a GitHub repository.
- Share the repository link by including it in a text, Word, or PDF file format.

Submit the file/text containing the repository link via Vlearn.