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Dataset Link: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/tamber/steam-video-games/data

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In [4]: import pandas as pd

In [5]: df=pd.read_csv("steam-200k.csv")
df

Out[5]:
UserID Game Action Hours Flag
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	UserID	Game	Action	Hours	Flag
0	151603712	The Elder Scrolls V Skyrim	purchase	1.0	0
1	151603712	The Elder Scrolls V Skyrim	play	273.0	0
2	151603712	Fallout 4	purchase	1.0	0
3	151603712	Fallout 4	play	87.0	0
4	151603712	Spore	purchase	1.0	0
199995	128470551	Titan Souls	play	1.5	0
199996	128470551	Grand Theft Auto Vice City	purchase	1.0	0
199997	128470551	Grand Theft Auto Vice City	play	1.5	0
199998	128470551	RUSH	purchase	1.0	0
199999	128470551	RUSH	play	1.4	0

200000 rows × 5 columns

Steam Video Games Dataset (200K Records)

Dataset Overview

This dataset contains user interactions with video games on Steam, including purchases and playtime data. It consists of 200,000 records, covering thousands of users and games. The dataset can be used for building recommendation systems, analyzing user behavior, and understanding gaming trends.

Files

• steam-200k.csv: The main dataset containing user interactions with games.

Columns Description

Column	Data Type	Description
UserID	int64	Unique identifier for each Steam user.
Game	object	Name of the game associated with the user action.
Action	object	Indicates whether the user purchased the game ("purchase") or played the game ("play").
Hours	float64	The number of hours the user has played the game. For "purchase" actions, this value is always 1.0.
Flag	int64	This column is always 0 and does not contain useful information.

Data Summary

Total Records: 200,000
 Unique Users: ~123,000
 Unique Games: ~5,000

Actions: "purchase" or "play"Playtime Range: 0.1 to 11,754 hours

• Median Playtime: 1.0 hour

• Most Users Play Less Than: 1.3 hours (75th percentile)

Key Insights & Observations

1. User Behavior Trends

- Users can have multiple entries in the dataset for different games.
- Some users only have "purchase" records, while others have "play" records.
- There are extreme outliers where some users have played over 10,000 hours.

2. Game Popularity Analysis

- The dataset can help identify the most purchased vs. most played games.
- Certain games may have high playtime but low purchase frequency, which could indicate free-to-play games.

3. Player Engagement Patterns

- Most players have low playtime (< 2 hours), suggesting many games are either casual or not engaging enough.
- A few hardcore users play certain games extensively, crossing 1,000+ hours.

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In [7]: df.shape
Out[7]: (200000, 5)
```

df.shape

The df.shape function in Pandas returns the dimensions of the dataset as a tuple (rows, columns).

df.isnull().sum()

The df.isnull().sum() function in Pandas is used to check for missing (null) values in each column of the dataset. It returns a count of NaN (Not a Number) values for every column.

```
In [11]: df.info()
        <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
        RangeIndex: 200000 entries, 0 to 199999
        Data columns (total 5 columns):
            Column Non-Null Count Dtype
             -----
            UserID 200000 non-null int64
                   200000 non-null object
         1 Game
            Action 200000 non-null object
         3
            Hours 200000 non-null float64
            Flag
                   200000 non-null int64
        dtypes: float64(1), int64(2), object(2)
        memory usage: 7.6+ MB
```

df.info()

The df.info() function in Pandas provides a concise summary of the dataset, including the number of entries, column names, data types, and memory usage.

```
In [13]: from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine similarity
         from scipy.sparse import csr matrix
         df = pd.read csv("steam-200k.csv")
         df play = df[df["Action"] == "play"].drop(columns=["Action", "Flag"])
         ratings = df play.pivot table(index="UserID", columns="Game", values="Hours", fill value=0)
         ratings sparse matrix = csr matrix(ratings.values)
         item similarity = cosine similarity(ratings sparse matrix.T)
         similarity df = pd.DataFrame(item similarity, index=ratings.columns, columns=ratings.columns)
         def collaborative filtering(user, ratings, similarity df):
             if user not in ratings.index:
                 return "User not found in dataset."
             user ratings = ratings.loc[user]
             scores = {}
             for game in ratings.columns:
                 if user ratings[game] == 0:
                     sim games = similarity df[game]
                     rated games = user ratings[user ratings > 0].index
                     score = sum(sim games[rated game] * user ratings[rated game] for rated game in rated games)
                     scores[game] = score
             return sorted(scores.items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)
         sample user = ratings.index[547]
         recommendations = collaborative filtering(sample user, ratings, similarity df)
         print(f"Top 5 recommendations for User {sample user}:")
         for game, score in recommendations[:5]:
             print(f"{game}: {score:.4f}")
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Top 5 recommendations for User 30548861: David.: 0.0487 Knightmare Tower: 0.0487 Violett: 0.0487 Larva Mortus: 0.0292 Infestation Survivor Stories: 0.0275

Code Explanation

This code demonstrates a collaborative filtering approach to recommend games for a user based on their play history using cosine similarity. Here's a breakdown of the main components:

- 1. **Loading the Data:** The dataset steam-200k.csv is loaded into a Pandas DataFrame. The dataset contains user interactions with games, including information like the UserID, Game, Action (such as "play"), and Hours spent playing.
- 2. **Filtering the Data:** The DataFrame is filtered to only include rows where the action is "play". The columns Action and Flag are then dropped because they are not needed for the collaborative filtering process.
- 3. **Creating the Ratings Matrix:** A pivot table is created with UserID as the index, Game as the columns, and Hours as the values. Missing values are filled with 0 to indicate that the user has not played that game. This matrix helps in structuring the data such that it's easier to compute similarities between games.
- 4. **Converting to Sparse Matrix:** The ratings matrix is converted into a sparse matrix format using csr_matrix. This format is more efficient for handling large datasets with a lot of zeros (indicating that a user hasn't played a particular game).
- 5. **Calculating Item Similarity:** Cosine similarity is calculated between the games (items) using the sparse ratings matrix. The result is a similarity matrix that shows how similar each game is to every other game. This similarity matrix is stored in a DataFrame called similarity df.
- 6. **Collaborative Filtering Function:** The collaborative_filtering function takes a user, the ratings matrix, and the similarity matrix as inputs. It checks for games that the user hasn't played yet and calculates a score for each of these games. The score is based on the similarity of the games the user has already played, weighted by the number of hours spent on those games.
- 7. **Generating Recommendations:** For a given sample_user, the collaborative_filtering function generates recommendations based on games that are similar to the ones the user has played. The function looks for the user's ratings and calculates the score for games they haven't played yet.
- 8. **Displaying the Top 5 Recommendations:** The top 5 recommended games are displayed, sorted by their calculated scores in descending order. These games are the most likely suggestions for the user based on the similarity to the games they have already played.

```
In [15]: from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine similarity
         from sklearn.feature extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
         df = pd.read csv("steam-200k.csv")
         df play = df[df["Action"] == "play"].drop(columns=["Action", "Flag"])
         metadata = df play.groupby("Game")["Hours"].mean().reset index()
         metadata["Features"] = metadata["Game"]
         tfidf = TfidfVectorizer(stop words='english')
         feature matrix = tfidf.fit transform(metadata["Features"])
         content similarity = cosine similarity(feature matrix)
         content similarity df = pd.DataFrame(content similarity, index=metadata["Game"], columns=metadata["Game"])
         ratings = df play.pivot table(index="UserID", columns="Game", values="Hours", fill value=0)
         def content based filtering(user, ratings, content similarity df):
             if user not in ratings.index:
                 return "User not found in dataset."
             user ratings = ratings.loc[user]
             scores = {}
             for game in ratings.columns:
                 if user ratings[game] == 0:
                     sim games = content_similarity_df[game]
                     rated_games = user_ratings[user_ratings > 0].index
                     score = sum(sim games[rated game] * user ratings[rated game] for rated game in rated games)
                     scores[game] = score
             return sorted(scores.items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)
         sample user = ratings.index[619]
         recommendations = content based filtering(sample user, ratings, content similarity df)
         print(f"Content-Based Filtering Recommendations for UserID: {sample user}:")
         for game, score in recommendations[:5]:
             print(f"{game}: {score:.4f}")
```

Content-Based Filtering Recommendations for UserID: 33457161:

Counter-Strike Source: 60.7958

Counter-Strike Nexon Zombies: 50.4672 Counter-Strike Global Offensive: 50.0858

Counter-Strike Condition Zero Deleted Scenes: 40.3517

Fair Strike: 31.3531

Code Explanation

This code demonstrates a content-based filtering approach to recommend games for a user based on the features of the games themselves, rather than relying on other users' ratings. It uses cosine similarity to compare the content of the games. Here's an explanation of the key parts of the code:

- 1. **Loading the Data:** The dataset steam-200k.csv is loaded into a Pandas DataFrame. This dataset contains user interactions with games, including UserID, Game, Action (such as "play"), and Hours spent playing.
- 2. **Filtering the Data:** The DataFrame is filtered to include only the rows where the action is "play". The Action and Flag columns are dropped because they are not necessary for the content-based filtering process.
- 3. **Creating Metadata for Games:** The metadata DataFrame is created by grouping the data by Game and calculating the average Hours spent playing each game. This provides a summary of how long users typically play each game.
- 4. **Feature Extraction:** A new column, Features, is added to the metadata DataFrame. In this case, the game name itself is used as the feature. This is a simplified approach; ideally, this column would contain more detailed information about the game (such as genre, description, etc.). The TfidfVectorizer from sklearn is used to transform the game names into a matrix of numerical features. The stop_words='english' argument removes common English stop words from the game names during the vectorization process. This creates a feature matrix that represents the textual content of the games.
- 5. **Calculating Content Similarity:** The cosine_similarity function is used to calculate the similarity between the game features. This results in a content similarity matrix, content similarity df, that measures how similar each game is to every other game based on their textual features.
- 6. **Creating the Ratings Matrix:** A pivot table is created with UserID as the index, Game as the columns, and Hours as the values. Missing values (where a user hasn't played a game) are filled with 0.
- 7. **Content-Based Filtering Function:** The content_based_filtering function takes a user, the ratings matrix, and the content similarity matrix as inputs. It checks for games that the user hasn't played yet and calculates a score for each of these games. The score is based on the similarity of the game to the ones the user has already played, weighted by the number of hours the user has spent playing those games.
- 8. **Generating Recommendations:** For a given sample_user, the content_based_filtering function generates recommendations based on games that are similar to the ones the user has played. The function calculates a score for each unplayed game based on the similarity to the games the user has rated.
- 9. **Displaying the Top 5 Recommendations:** The top 5 recommended games are displayed, sorted by their calculated scores in descending order. These games are the most likely suggestions for the user based on the similarity of the content of the games they have already played.

```
In [17]: from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine similarity
         from sklearn.feature extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
         from scipy.sparse import csr matrix
         df = pd.read csv("steam-200k.csv")
         df play = df[df["Action"] == "play"].drop(columns=["Action", "Flag"])
         ratings = df play.pivot table(index="UserID", columns="Game", values="Hours", fill value=0)
         ratings sparse matrix = csr matrix(ratings.values)
         item similarity = cosine similarity(ratings sparse matrix.T)
         similarity df = pd.DataFrame(item similarity, index=ratings.columns, columns=ratings.columns)
         vectorizer = TfidfVectorizer()
         game tfidf matrix = vectorizer.fit transform(ratings.columns)
         content similarity = cosine similarity(game tfidf matrix)
         content similarity df = pd.DataFrame(content similarity, index=ratings.columns, columns=ratings.columns)
         def collaborative filtering(user, ratings, similarity df):
             if user not in ratings.index:
                 return []
             user ratings = ratings.loc[user]
             scores = {}
             for game in ratings.columns:
                 if user ratings[game] == 0:
                     sim games = similarity df[game]
                     rated games = user ratings[user ratings > 0].index
                     scores[game] = sum(sim games[rated game] * user ratings[rated game] for rated game in rated games)
             return sorted(scores.items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)
         def content based filtering(user, ratings, content similarity df):
             if user not in ratings.index:
                 return []
             user_ratings = ratings.loc[user]
             scores = {}
             for game in ratings.columns:
                 if user ratings[game] == 0:
                     sim games = content similarity df[game]
                     rated games = user ratings[user ratings > 0].index
                     scores[game] = sum(sim_games[rated_game] * user_ratings[rated_game] for rated_game in rated_games)
             return sorted(scores.items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)
         def hybrid recommendation(user, ratings, similarity df, content similarity df, alpha=0.5):
             collaborative_scores = dict(collaborative_filtering(user, ratings, similarity_df))
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content_scores = dict(content_based_filtering(user, ratings, content_similarity_df))
hybrid_scores = {}
for game in ratings.columns:
    hybrid_scores[game] = alpha * collaborative_scores.get(game, 0) + (1 - alpha) * content_scores.get(game, 0)
    return sorted(hybrid_scores.items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)

sample_user = ratings.index[297]
recommendations = hybrid_recommendation(sample_user, ratings, similarity_df, content_similarity_df)

print(f"Hybrid Recommendations for UserID: {sample_user}:")
for game, score in recommendations[:5]:
    print(f"{game}: {score:.4f}")
Hybrid Recommendations for UserID: 18888504:
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Counter-Strike: 15.0916
Counter-Strike Global Offensive: 14.5607
Counter-Strike Condition Zero: 10.6859
Counter-Strike Nexon Zombies: 10.0121
Counter-Strike Condition Zero Deleted Scenes: 8.5396

Code Explanation

This code implements a hybrid recommendation system that combines both collaborative filtering and content-based filtering approaches. It uses cosine similarity to compare both user-item interactions and the content features of the items (games). Here's a detailed explanation of the key parts of the code:

- 1. **Loading the Data:** The dataset steam-200k.csv is loaded into a Pandas DataFrame. This dataset contains user interactions with games, including UserID, Game, Action (such as "play"), and Hours spent playing.
- 2. **Filtering the Data:** The DataFrame is filtered to only include rows where the action is "play". The Action and Flag columns are dropped as they are not necessary for the recommendation process.
- 3. **Creating the Ratings Matrix:** A pivot table is created with UserID as the index, Game as the columns, and Hours as the values. Missing values (where a user hasn't played a particular game) are filled with 0.
- 4. **Converting the Ratings Matrix to a Sparse Matrix:** The ratings matrix is converted to a sparse matrix format using csr_matrix. This helps efficiently handle large matrices with many zeros (indicating that a user has not rated a particular game).
- 5. Calculating Item Similarity (Collaborative Filtering): The cosine_similarity function calculates the similarity between the games based on the ratings matrix. This results in a similarity matrix, similarity_df, that measures how similar each game is to every other game based on user interactions.
- 6. **Creating the Game Content Matrix (Content-Based Filtering):** A TfidfVectorizer is used to create a TF-IDF matrix for the game names (the features). The resulting game_tfidf_matrix represents the textual features of the games, and cosine_similarity is then applied to compute the content similarity between games. This results in a content similarity matrix, content similarity df.
- 7. **Collaborative Filtering Function:** The collaborative_filtering function takes a user, the ratings matrix, and the item similarity matrix as input. It generates a list of recommended games for the user based on how similar the games they have already played are to other unplayed games.

- 8. **Content-Based Filtering Function:** The content_based_filtering function takes a user, the ratings matrix, and the content similarity matrix as input. It generates a list of recommended games for the user based on the similarity of the games' features (such as game names) to those that the user has already played.
- 9. **Hybrid Recommendation Function:** The hybrid_recommendation function combines the collaborative filtering and content-based filtering scores. It takes a user, the ratings matrix, the item similarity matrix, and the content similarity matrix as inputs. The alpha parameter controls the balance between the collaborative and content-based scores (with alpha=0.5 giving equal weight to both). The function generates hybrid scores for each game by combining the scores from both recommendation approaches.
- 10. **Generating Recommendations:** For a given sample_user, the hybrid_recommendation function generates recommendations by combining the collaborative filtering and content-based filtering scores. The recommended games are sorted in descending order of their combined score.
- 11. **Displaying the Top 5 Recommendations:** The top 5 recommended games are displayed, sorted by their hybrid scores. These games are suggested to the user based on their past ratings and the content similarities of the games they have played