

Introduction

Over-the-top (OTT) relates to the transmission of audio, video, and various other media content via the internet instead of traditional cable or satellite distribution. OTT platforms like Netflix, Amazon Prime Video, and Hulu provide a variety of content to viewers immediately through subscription-based or ad-supported channels.

The term of over-the-top (OTT) entertainment obtained traction in the early 2000s, because of largely to the development of internet technologies and the wide availability of fast internet connections. This technology allowed the efficient online streaming of excellent in quality video and audio content. The growth of OTT was additionally impacted by changing viewer choices, as audiences looked for on-demand and individualized experiences.

In the mid-2000s, Netflix transitioned from a DVD rental service to a streaming platform, as well as significant advancements in streaming technology, such as video compression and content delivery networks (CDNs). Because of these advancements, a global audience can now enjoy smooth and uninterrupted streaming experiences.

The media and entertainment landscape has been transformed by OTT platforms. They've expanded globally, changed viewer habits through cord-cutting, and provided personalized content suggestions. OTT platforms' creation of original content has expanded the content environment. However, OTT has also raised regulatory, content licensing, and monetization issues, such as internet freedom debates and complex negotiations with content creators.

OTT has completely transformed how we access and consume entertainment in the digital age, providing viewers with increased control, convenience, and preference in their content consumption patterns.

The subject of over-the-top (OTT) analytics, which focuses on collecting, analyzing, and interpreting data produced by OTT platforms and services, is quickly developing. OTT stands for over-the-top, which describes the streaming of video, audio, and other content online instead of using conventional cable and satellite TV providers. Netflix, Amazon Prime Video, Hulu, Disney+, and other streaming services are examples of OTT platforms.

OTT Analytics is a relatively new idea that gives organisations a lot of opportunities to enhance consumer experience. It can also be used along with video analytics tools on OTT to figure out how and what kind of videos are being most popular with viewers. With this expertise, businesses may change as necessary and provide visitors with more appropriate material

Going back a few years, we can see that the growth rate of OTT platform users has been increasing up to the lockdown during the Covid-19 pandemic. This development is based on the major technology developments that allow OTT providers to provide high-quality services, the information shown on the neighbouring screens. Instead than relying only on their collection, OTT businesses invest a significant amount of money in creating content.

Due to the fast growth of OTT services and the huge quantity of data they produce, OTT analytics for study has been growing in importance in recent years. This information covers user behaviour, patterns of content consumption, device choices, geographical spread, and other things. Researchers, advertisers, creators of media, and OTT service providers can all benefit from the analysis of this data.

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➤ Here is a quick overview of the main features of OTT analytics for data study

<u>Data gathering:</u> As a result of user engagements with their services, OTT platforms collect an enormous amount of data. This information covers the quality of the streaming, user participation, preferred content, viewing patterns, and more. For further examination, advanced analytics systems gather this data in batch or real-time actions.

<u>User Insights</u>: OTT providers can better understand their audience by analysing user data. This includes user segmentation, churn rates, user retention, and demographics. These details can be used to better target certain user groups with content and marketing initiatives.

<u>Content Performance:</u> OTT analytics assist content producers and suppliers in evaluating the effectiveness of their work. Metrics like viewer ratings, watch time, and drop-off rates give information on what content is popular with viewers and where adjustments should be made.

<u>Personalization:</u> OTT providers use analytics to present users with recommendations that correspond to their needs. By analysing user data and making recommendations based on personal preferences, machine learning algorithms improve user engagement and retention.

<u>Quality of Service (QoS):</u> Ensuring an enjoyable user experience involves monitoring the streaming quality, including buffering, video resolution, and playback issues. OTT analytics can find and fix problems that affect QoS.

<u>Competitive Analysis:</u> OTT service providers utilise data analysis to compare their performance to that of their rivals in a competitive analysis. This includes user engagement analytics, content libraries, and market share statistics.

Motivation

Over-the-top (OTT) platforms' increasing power in the media and entertainment industries cannot be overstated. OTT providers have become the primary source of entertainment for a growing audience, with millions of subscribers and a vast library of content. The study was inspired by the profound impact these platforms have on our media consumption habits.

We intend to delve into the rich pool of data generated by OTT services in order to better understand user behavior and preferences, improve content recommendations, and address issues that both providers and subscribers face.

OTT platforms are changing the way we consume content, with global subscriber numbers reaching levels that were never before seen. According to industry reports, over half of all households now subscribe to at least one OTT service.

These platforms account for a significant amount of the entertainment market, making them an important focus for our research.

High subscriber churn, content recommendation accuracy, and competition are all challenges for OTT providers. These challenges, however, present opportunities for data-driven improvements, subscriber retention strategies, and overall user experience improvements.

The OTT industry is rife with competition, with many vendors vying for a piece of the pie. Analytics can help providers gain a competitive advantage by assisting them in making informed decisions, optimizing content libraries, and focusing on their offerings to user preferences.

OTT platforms, unlike traditional broadcasting, thrive on their ability to personalize content for individual users. Understanding user behavior and preferences is not only helpful, but also necessary for OTT success. The objective of this research is to elucidate the details.

Objectives

The general objective of this study is to leverage data mining and analytics to enhance user experience and content delivery in OTT platforms.

- Look into user viewing habits, like the time of day, content type, and preferred genres.
- Review user viewing patterns and preferences
- Establish popular content and viewing habits among multiple user segments.
- Develop a recommendation system that provides personalized content recommendations based on user history and preferences.
- Use user input and engagement metrics to evaluate the effectiveness of the system of suggestions.
- Figure out the factors that lead to subscriber churn, such as content dissatisfaction or pricing.
- Make recommendations for subscriber retention strategies, such as targeted content promotions and engagement campaigns.
- Ensure the privacy and security of user data in compliance with applicable regulations and standards.
- Put in place strong data security measures to protect sensitive user information.
- Assess the performance and growing popularity of existing library content.
- Look into the performance and widespread acceptance of existing library content.

LITERATURE REVIEW

In Research Paper [1],Indian OTT platforms like Hotstar and Jio Cinema compete with global giants like Netflix. The paper analyzes growth factors, technology, and audience preferences, highlighting Hotstar's dominance with non-paying users. Smartphones, mainly Xiaomi, are the primary devices for OTT consumption, and Jio leads in networking. Hindi and English are the preferred languages for viewers.

In Research Paper [2],AI-powered predictive analytics (PA) is crucial in the movie industry during COVID-19. Hollywood's response to the 'Netflix Effect' involves investing in data and AI. This review identifies key PA use cases: ScriptBook, Vault, Pilot, Cinelytic, and Merlin Video for 'compete'; Movio and Datorama for 'grow'; Industrial Light & Magic and Geena Davis Institute for 'enforce'; Watson, Benjamin, and Greenlight Essential for 'improve'; and Disney Research with Simon Fraser University for 'satisfy.'

In Research Paper [3], explores the transformative role of big data in the \$103 billion global film industry, emphasizing its influence on consumer behavior, communication, and the future of cinema. With the Indian film industry valued at INR 182.2 billion, the paper delves into how big data shapes film making, investment, publicity, distribution, broadcasting, and audience engagement. It concludes that big data serves as a quantitative foundation for decision-making, contributing to revenue generation and societal impact in the film industry Top of form.

In Research Paper [18], In order to overcome conventional shortcomings, this work presents a hybrid recommendation system that combines context-based engines with collaborative filtering. It presents measurements for quality and performance and assesses recall, accuracy, and precision for content, collaborative filtering, and context filtering techniques. The hybrid engine does exceptionally well when it comes to online movie recommendations, showcasing its versatility across a variety of sectors, including music and books.

In Research Paper [7], It addresses the impact for the internet, Big Data, and Over-the-Top (OTT) TV on the entertainment industry. It clarifies the way big data analytics can be utilized to forecast consumer behavior and improve ad campaigns. The text goes further into the concept of product-to-consumer connection and the possibility of OTT in this context.

In Research Paper[33], In order to improve user models by integrating content information, this paper promotes content-based movie recommendation. The algorithm it suggests builds collaborative-based models into content-based user models, which are then adjusted based on what users want. Implicit preferences are exposed by explicit user profiles that highlight key characteristics. The system's efficacy is evaluated using decision-support metrics, and further optimization mechanisms are being investigated for better recommendations in future research.

In Research Paper [15], introduces an improved algorithm and an open-source Python library for content-based suggestions in response to the need for automated scholarly resource discovery. The algorithm performs better than keyword-based approaches when tested on papers from scientific conferences. With a focus on flexibility, instantaneous recommendations, and cooperative transparency, it offers a quick and easy way to navigate academic material.

In Research Paper [21], Using a case study of an IMDb-based movie recommendation web app, this literature highlights the pervasiveness of recommendation systems in everyday life. Using scikit-learn in Python, it prioritizes actors, director, and storyline when determining similarity scores. The study emphasizes the advantages of saving time and suggests more research on extending dataset constraints for wider consumer application.

In Research Paper[22], The Bag of Words (BOW) approach for text representation is presented in this literature, and it is used to support a Support Vector Machine classifier to build a Vector Space Model. Using publicly available datasets, the method compares raw to clean data and shows a 16.26% reduction in text data. Sentiment analysis indicates common neutral attitudes and is displayed using clouds of words and histograms.

In Research paper [25] the research looks into the dynamic changes that have occurred in television, including developments in technology and the decentralisation of content delivery. In addition to highlighting the influence on cultural citizenship and the transition from a public service ethos to a consumer-oriented approach, it emphasises the economic significance of sports content. In the midst of continuing industry transitions, the critical political economics perspective emphasises the need to protect viewer and public interests.

In Research Paper [4],Over-the-top (OTT) video services have quickly impacted conventional media distribution channels in India. The increasing number of internet-enabled mobile phones, falling data costs, and increasing access to the internet have all contributed to the growth of OTT platforms. Content usage has shifted to local languages, and sports broadcasting, particularly cricket, is becoming increasingly important. Collaborations between telecommunications companies and OTT services that offer content bundles have become common. As 5G networks become available, the industry anticipates even more possibilities for expansion. Personalization, less reliance on conventional cable TV, and a focus on regional and unique programming are changing the upcoming generations of OTT services in India.

In Research Paper [14], A variety of methods for movie recommendations are examined in the literature review. MOVREC, a collaborative filtering system for user-based suggestions, was introduced by Kumar et al. A hybrid system combining content-based and collaborative techniques was introduced by Virk et al. Kużelewska showed how clustering works well for precise recommendations, whereas De Campos suggested a collaborative approach using a Bayesian network.

In Research Paper [19], The study investigates matrix factorization, user-based, and item-based techniques to collaborative filtering (CF) in recommendation systems. It highlights the combination of user similarity analysis and opinion mining for a movie recommendation system, demonstrating better outcomes than traditional methods. The suggested method outperforms ALS and SEHRS on the Movie Lens Dataset by efficiently extracting particular ratings from reviews and suggesting the top-k films.

 Table 1: Comparative Studies from year 2014-2020

Sr.No	Author	Year	Dataset Used	Algorithm Used	conclusion
1	Gaurav Arora	2014	Not Specified	Hybrid Recommendation	Effective hybrid engine
	et.al [18]			System (Combination of	excels in online movie
				Context-based,	recommendations,
				Collaborative Filtering)	displaying versatility for
					music and books
2.	Steve Wong	2015	Not Specified	Big Data Analytics	Big Data analytics can
	et.al [7]				enhance predictive buyer
					analytics and consumer
					engagement in the OTT
					industry.
3	KIRMEMIS	2015	Not Specified	Content-Based	The paper proposes a
	et.al [33]			Recommendation	content-based movie
					recommendation
					algorithm that enhances
					personalization by
					building user models from
					collaborative-based
					models and movie domain
					characteristics.
4	Titipat	2016	Set of posters	Rocchio algorithm for	The system provides an
	Achakulvisut		presented at the	improving	open and fast approach to
	et.al [15]		Society for	recommendations based on	accurately discover new
			Neuroscience	user votes	research, with potential
			2015conference.		benefits for the scientific
					community.
5	Sounak	2019	IMDb-based	Scikit-learn in Python	prioritizes actors, director,
	Bhattacharya		movie data		and storyline for
	et.al [21]				similarity scores.
					Emphasizes time-saving
					benefits. Recommends
					further research for
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					expanding dataset
					constraints for broader
					consumer application.
6	Dr. Ashok	2019	Publicly	Bag of Words (BOW)	Presents BOW for text
	Kumar R		available datasets		representation, supports
	et.al [22]				SVM classifier to build
					Vector Space Model.
					Compares raw to clean
					data, showing a 16.26%
					reduction in text data.
					Sentiment analysis
					reveals common neutral
					attitudes through word
					clouds and histograms.
7	Brwhett	2019	Not Specified	Not Specified	it focuses on analyzing
	Hutchins				the growth of over-the-top
	et.al [25]				(OTT) Internet and
					mobile video streaming
					services in the context of
					global media sports
					distribution.
8	E. Sundaravel	2020	Not Specified	Not Specified	OTT platforms are
	et.al[4]				growing in India due to
					increased mobile internet
					access and a shift towards
					regional content.

9	F. Furtado	2020	Movies Dataset	Matrix Decomposition,	The recommendation
	et.al[14]			Clustering, Deep Learning	system is collaborative-
					based, offering explicit
					outcomes compared to
					content-based systems.
10	Yogesh	2020	Movie Lens	Opinion Mining and User	Hybrid system
	Naveen		Dataset	Similarity Analysis	recommends top-k
	Kumar				movies successfully,
	et.al[19]				outperforming ALS and
					SEHRS, enhancing
					accuracy and meeting
					user requirements.

After studying above literature reviews we conclude that, The literatures reveals a dynamic entertainment landscape shaped by global OTT platform competition, notably Hotstar and Jio Cinema in India, emphasizing smartphone prevalence and language preferences. Hollywood's response to the 'Netflix Effect' involves substantial investments in AI and data analytics. Big data emerges as a transformative force in the \$103 billion global film industry, influencing filmmaking, investment, and audience engagement. Innovative approaches, such as hybrid recommendation systems and content-based movie recommendations, highlight the industry's commitment to enhancing user experiences. The literature collectively underscores the industry's evolution at the intersection of technology, data analytics, and changing consumer behaviors.

In Research Paper [8], The article discusses the increasing presence of Indian customers on over-the-top (OTT) platforms, owing to improved networks and mobile phones. It emphasizes Disney+ Hotstar, Amazon Prime Video, and Netflix's dominant position in the Indian OTT marketplace, as well as the increase in demand throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. The research additionally highlights Indian viewers' preference for native language content. It presents the results of a survey on OTT platform usage, membership costs, and user satisfaction. According to the study, India's OTT industry will grow significantly in the years to come.

In Research Paper [16], The sense of ownership of over-the-top (OTT) services and efficient content recommendation are the subjects of this study. While users with little ownership respond better to abstract messaging, individuals with strong ownership prefer objective movie information. The study validates the function of psychological distance as a mediator. Theoretical implications point to the use of ownership to customise tactics and accurate content.

In Research Paper [17], The current research analyses tag genes, age, and genre as determinants of OTT subscription preferences. When it comes to TV-MA films, Netflix is the leader, but Amazon Prime has a more evenly distributed maturity rating. The family, adventure, and animat0ion genres are where Disney+shines. According to genre study, Netflix has the widest selection. Genre findings are consistent with genome-tag analytics. One of the limitations is the smaller dataset for original films, which means that additional analysis with new releases is required to ensure accuracy.

In Research Paper [20], The body of research highlights how important movie recommendation engines are for reducing user effort while searching for material. It criticizes current approaches, in particular Content-Based Filtering, and suggests a novel hybrid strategy that makes use of several text-to-vector conversion techniques. The summary states that better recommendations are obtained by manipulating the algorithms, demonstrating the benefits of using separate algorithms and bolstering the efficacy of the hybrid approach.

In Research paper [26] The importance of recommendation algorithms is emphasised in this evaluation, especially with regard to streaming video services. It suggests a machine learning method for better movie rating prediction and recommendation that makes use of stacked autoencoders and Singular Value Decomposition. The system performs better than conventional algorithms, demonstrating how autoencoders may reduce dimensionality and improve accuracy.

In Research paper [28] In the OTT sector, this evaluation contrasts Netflix with Amazon Prime Video (APV). Whereas APV suffers from an unpolished user interface, Netflix thrives at providing personalised service and a straightforward subscription plan. The report highlights the changing competitive dynamics in the OTT landscape and highlights Netflix's success in content selection and teamwork.

In Research Paper [29], This paper presents two well-known recommender systems: a context-based recommender system that makes suggestions based on previous interactions and a context-aware recommender system that takes user interests into account. It delivers personalized news, filters e-learning content, and supports media recommendations for smartphones through the use of content-based, collaborative filtering and hybrid approaches. Using E-paper and semantic reasoning, it works like a content-based recommender system, presenting options based on user ratings, interests, and evaluations.

In Research Paper [23], The literature emphasizes how information gathering, learning techniques, IoT, and deep learning are driving the increased importance of recommendation systems, especially content-based algorithms. In the face of copious amounts of data, it highlights accuracy in content-based recommender systems and presents a novel technique for enhancing movie representation. The suggested framework combines ongoing data, especially in the medical field, to offer customized and pertinent support.

In Research paper [24] The difficulties of browsing large movie datasets on online platforms are examined in this review of the literature. The study explores movie recommender systems and uses Tableau visualisation and exploratory data analysis to identify the elements driving a movie's appeal. Important factors include historical performance, actor and director recognition, genre, and geographic location. The study provides auto-suggestions and thorough information retrieval on searched movies, emphasising data cleaning, preprocessing, and model training for efficient user engagement.

In Research paper [27] The article discusses the rising need for improved database administration in light of the growing popularity of over-the-top platforms. It draws attention to the rivalry between OTT service providers over user experience and content quality. In order to improve user experience, the report advises improving data management by providing comprehensive search and sorting options based on many criteria. To improve OTT platforms, the emphasis is on reducing data redundancy and adjusting to modern needs, particularly those that arise after COVID-19.

In Research Paper [30], This recommendation system utilizes content-based filtering to suggest movies based on similar qualities, with the goal of predicting user preferences for movies. Ten movie recommendations are given to users, along with information about the films' cast, rating, release date, and genres. To help users make decisions, the system also analyzes reviews sentiment and classifies them as "Good" or "Bad."

In Research Paper [5], The research examines customer preferences in the OTT platform nature and presents a recommendation system based on the Random Forest algorithm. The system intends to offer specific platform suggestions through analyzing data from 410 subjects, thereby increasing customer satisfaction and engagement. Other methods were outperformed by the Random Forest algorithm, which achieved greater accuracy, recollection, and F1-scores. This study helps to improve the user experience when choosing the best OTT platform and provides valuable industry insights.

In Research Paper [6],Dr.Rajendra Prasad Meena And Suman Kumar's study looks at changing consumer preferences toward Over-The-Top (OTT) platforms in India. The popularity of platforms such as YouTube and Netflix, the effect of social media and closely suggestions, and the effects of COVID-19 lockdown on grew OTT consumption are among the findings. Furthermore, the research reveals that consumers prioritize factors such as cost-effectiveness, content quality, and limited advertising. Despite some limitations, the study emphasizes the growth potential of OTT platforms in India, as well as the importance of quality content and focused on customers strategies in order to succeed in this highly competitive sector.

In Research Paper [9], The Article Explains The COVID-19 pandemic changed the face of entertainment, with OTT platforms gaining traction as traditional theaters faded. The rise in OTT popularity, fueled by simplicity and appealing material, calls into question theater's distinct aesthetics and the audience appeal. Despite that, Indian theater can adapt as well as compete by drawing on a long tradition of theater gratitude. Both mediums coexist, resulting in a developing entertainment scenery in which theater faces new challenges while retaining its essence.

In Research Paper[10], Due to theater closures and restrictions, the COVID-19 pandemic caused an increase in Over-The-Top (OTT) platforms in India. OTT acceptance became common during this time period, providing families with convenience and cost savings. Users are satisfied with their subscription, indicating a promising future for the OTT industry as the web and mobile penetration grows, shaping new customer tastes and viewing habits.

In Research Paper[11], The paper discusses framework types and algorithms while outlining the concept and architecture of a Live OTT platform. It looks into the difficulties encountered, such as gaining trust and collaborating with theaters in the Indian market. As seen with platforms like Netflix, successful collaborations can transform the OTT industry. Complex layouts and resource management are critical for such systems. Algorithms play an important role, but they must be updated and optimized on a regular basis for the best performance and video streaming efficiency

In Research Paper [12], The Article Discusses The introduction of OTT services has transformed media consumption, especially in India, where the young and technologically savvy population seeks different kinds of media. OTT subscriptions increased during the COVID-19 pandemic as people sought alternative entertainment at home. The ease of use, variety of content, and reasonable cost of OTT are key drivers of adoption. While mobile accessibility and personalization are appealing to users, the bigscreen expertise is sacrificed. Netflix is a popular platform, but it lacks the cinematic atmosphere of traditional theaters.

In Research Paper [13], The paper's study looks into why people trust and continue to use a subscription-based streaming services like Netflix. They employed a model that considers various factors such as the value people derive from these platforms and their level of trust in them. According to the study, specific variables such as the value of the content and how many individuals trust the platform impact whether they continue to use it. This study is significant for the online entertainment industry because it explains why people continue to use services like Netflix.

In Research Paper[31], The research proposes a Movie Recommendation System that maps movie vectors using vectorization and computes similarities based on angles, but it is item-based filtering instead of user-based. It makes use of feature engineering, data preprocessing, and models such as content-based and item-based collaborative filtering. The study emphasizes how successful this method is when compared to user-based collaborative filtering, which is employed by well-known services like Netflix and Amazon Prime.

In Research Paper[s], To make users' movie selections easier, the Movie Recommendation system uses cosine similarity, count vectorization, and machine learning algorithms. It offers URLs for in-depth descriptions and suggests the top 5 films based on user interests, addressing the challenge of sifting through millions of films. The goal of this project is to use cutting-edge technologies to improve the movie-watching experience for users.

Table 2: Comparative Studies from year 2021 – 2023

Sr.No	Author	Year	Dataset	Algorithm Used	conclusion
			Used		
1	Bhavyarajsin	2021	Survey data	Not Specified	The study predicts significant
	h D.		from Indian		growth in India's OTT industry,
	et.al[8]		consumers		driven by consumer behavior
					shifts during the COVID-19
					pandemic.
2	Bong-Goon	2021	Not	Not Specified	Study emphasizes psychological
	Seo		Specified		ownership in online services,
	et.al[16]				influencing content decisions
3	Rick Kim	2021	Kaggle	Not Specified	Netflix dominates TV-MA;
	et.al[17]		datasets		Disney+ excels in family,
					adventure, animation. Genre
					analytics align. Further analysis,
					recent movies needed.
4	Rahul	2021	Not	Collaborative	Collaborative Filtering is
	Pradhan		Specified	Filtering, Hybrid	powerful but faces runtime and
	et.al[20]			Movie	data sparsity issues. Hybrid
				Recommendation	system proposed to address
				System	limitations. Future work includes
					addressing weaknesses and
					improving the user interface.
5	R. Lavanya	2021	IMDb-	Scikit-learn in	rioritizes actors, director, and
	et.al[26]		based	Python	storyline for similarity scores.
			movie data		Emphasizes time-saving benefits.
					Recommends further research for
					expanding dataset constraints for
					broader consumer application.
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6	Hansei	2021	Movie Lens	Auto Encoders,	The paper proposes a
	University,		dataset	Singular Value	recommendation system for
	Korea			Decomposition	streaming movie services using
	et.al[28]				machine learning, specifically
					based on auto encoders for
					collaborative filtering. The Movie
					Lens dataset is utilized
7	Umair Javed	2021	Not	Content-Based,	Review explores context-aware,
	et.al[29]		Specified	Collaborative	context-based recommender
				Filtering, Hybrid	systems using diverse algorithms
				Recommender	
				System,	
8	Dr. Ganesh	2022	Movie	Content-Based	Implements a content-based
	et.al[23]		dataset,	Filtering Algorithm	filtering algorithm with feature
			Feature		extraction. Transforms relevant
			extraction,		features into vectors and
			Cosine		determines similarity using the
					cosine similarity algorithm.
					Generates movie
					recommendations based on the
					similarity of feature vectors.
9	Heet Shah	2022	Kaggle and	Exploratory Data	The analysis involved cleaning
	et.al[24]		IMDB	Analysis	the data, extracting valuable
					insights, handling missing values,
					and preprocessing the data for
					model training.
10	A. Shah	2022	Not	Not Specified	it emphasizes the rising need for
	et.al[27]		Specified		improved database administration
					in the context of the growing
					popularity of over-the-top (OTT)
					platforms.
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11	Shubham	2022	Not	Content-Based	The recommendation system
	Pawar		Specified	Filtering	utilizes content-based filtering to
	et.al[30]				suggest movies based on similar
					qualities, aiming to predict user
					preferences.
12	Md Samiul	2023	Data from	Random Forest	The Random Forest algorithm
	Islam		410 subjects	Algorithm	outperforms other methods for
	et.al[5]				recommending OTT platforms,
					improving user satisfaction
13	Suman	2023	Not	Not Specified	Changing consumer preferences
	Kumar		Specified		in India favor OTT platforms with
	et.al[6]				quality content and cost-
					effectiveness
14	Prof.Durgesh	2023	Not	Not Specified	COVID-19 pandemic reshaped
	Ravande		Specified		entertainment, propelling OTT
	et.al[9]				platforms while challenging
					theater's aesthetics and appeal.
15	Mythili .D	2023	Not	Not Specified	Increased OTT usage during the
	et.al[10]		Specified		pandemic; users satisfied,
					promising future for the industry.
16	Dr.Shivi	2023	Secondary	Collaborative	This innovative concept may face
	et.al[11]		research	filtering, Content-	challenges in theater partnerships
			papers,	Based algorithms	but has the potential to
			internet		revolutionize OTT, enriching
			articles		home cinema experiences
17	T.Manoj	2023	Not	Not Specified	The Ease of use, content variety,
	Kumar		Specified		and
	et.al[12]				reasonable cost are key drivers of
					OTT adoption.
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18	Debarun Chakraborty et.al[13]	2023	Survey Data	Not Specified	Trust and intent to purchase in OTT platforms are influenced by identified values, with trust acting
					as a mediator. Knowing these
					values is critical for the success of
					an OTT platform.
19	Aayush	2023	Not	Item-Based	he Movie Recommendation
	Khanna		Specified	Filtering,	System utilizes item-based
	et.al[31]			Vectorization	filtering, employing vectorization
					to map movies onto a single point
					and determine similarities based
					on angles between vectors.
20	Shreenivas	2023	Not	Cosine Similarity,	he Movie Recommendation
	Satish		Specified	Count	system employs cosine similarity,
	Kulkarni			Vectorization,	count vectorization, and machine
	et.al[32]			Machine Learning	learning algorithms to simplify
				Algorithms	users' movies.

From the above literature reviews we conclude that, The comprehensive analysis anticipates substantial growth in India's OTT industry, spurred by shifts in consumer behavior amid the COVID-19 pandemic. It underscores the psychological ownership in online services influencing content decisions, with Netflix dominating TV-MA content and Disney+ excelling in specific genres. The study advocates for a hybrid recommendation system to overcome collaborative filtering limitations, prioritizing actors, directors, and storylines. Additionally, it proposes a machine learning-based recommendation system using autoencoders on the Movie Lens dataset. The exploration of context-aware recommender systems, content-based filtering algorithms, and the utilization of the Random Forest algorithm for OTT platform recommendations further enriches the understanding of evolving consumer preferences and the industry's dynamic landscape.

Dataset Preparation

We Have Used This Dataset For Our Project. This Dataset Is Taken From Kaggle. Com

https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/tmdb/tmdb-movie-metadata

Dataset 1: tmdb_5000_movies:-

- budget: The budget allocated for the production of the movie or TV show.
- genres: The categories or genres to which the content belongs (e.g., action, drama, comedy).
- homepage: The official website or online platform associated with the movie or TV show.
- id: A unique identifier for each entry in the dataset.
- keywords: Keywords or phrases associated with the content, indicating its themes or topics.
- original_language: The language in which the content was originally produced.
- original_title: The original title of the movie or TV show in its source language.
- overview: A brief summary or description of the content.
- popularity: A measure of the content's popularity, likely based on user engagement or views.
- production_companies: The companies involved in the production of the content.
- production_countries: The countries where the content was produced.
- release date: The date when the content was released.
- revenue: The earnings or revenue generated by the content.
- runtime: The duration of the movie or TV show in terms of running time.
- spoken_languages: The languages spoken in the content.
- status: The current status of the content (e.g., released, in production).
- tagline: A catchy phrase or slogan associated with the content.
- title: The title of the movie or TV show.
- vote_average: The average rating given by users or viewers.

• vote_count: The number of votes or ratings received by the content.

Dataset 2:tmdb_5000_credits:-

- movie_id: A unique identifier for each movie in the dataset.
- title: The title of the movie.
- cast: Information about the cast members involved in the movie.
- crew: Information about the crew members involved in the movie. This could include directors, producers, writers, etc.

Data Preprocessing

I started my project with data collection and pre-processing. In order to achieve best prediction model, we must pre-process the dataset. The following steps are performed In My Project:

1.Data Loading:

You load two datasets: 'tmdb_5000_movies.csv' and 'tmdb_5000_credits.csv' using pd.read_csv.

2.Data Merging:

You merge the two datasets based on the 'title' column using the merge function.

3.Data Cleaning:

You select specific columns of interest ('movie_id', 'title', 'overview', 'genres', 'keywords', 'cast', 'crew').

You check for missing values and drop rows with missing data.

You check for and drop duplicate records.

4.Feature Engineering:

You extract relevant information from the 'genres', 'keywords', 'cast', and 'crew' columns.

You define functions to convert string representations of lists to actual lists using the ast module.

You limit the number of cast members to three in the 'convert3' function.

You extract the director from the 'crew' column using the 'fetch_director' function.

You tokenize the 'overview' column by splitting it into words.

5.Text Processing and Tag Creation:

You process and clean the 'genres', 'keywords', 'cast', 'crew', and 'overview' columns.

You create a new column 'tags' by combining information from 'overview', 'genres', 'keywords', 'cast', and 'crew'.

6.Manipulation:

You create a new DataFrame ('new_df') with columns 'movie_id', 'title', and 'tags'.

You concatenate the cleaned and processed tags into a single string for each movie.

7. Text Normalization:

You use stemming to normalize the text in the 'tags' column.

8. Vectorization:

You use the CountVectorizer from scikit-learn to convert the 'tags' into a numerical vector representation.

9. Cosine Similarity Calculation:

You calculate cosine similarity between the vectors representing different movies.

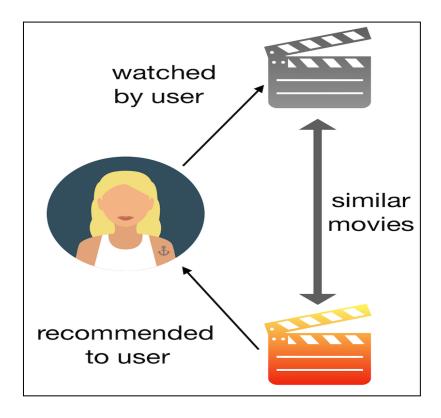
10.Movie Recommendation Function:

You define a function ('recommend') that takes a movie title as input and recommends similar movies based on cosine similarity.

11.Model Storage:

You use the pickle module to save the processed DataFrame ('new_df'), a dictionary version of it, and the cosine similarity matrix.

Content-Based Recommendation System Implementation



It focuses on data preprocessing, feature engineering, and building a content-based recommendation system using cosine similarity. The core algorithm is based on comparing the similarity between movies using their textual features.

Content-Based Filtering:

- Algorithm Description: Content-based filtering recommends items similar to those the user has shown interest in based on item features.
- Usage in Code: The recommendation is made by calculating the cosine similarity between movie descriptions, genres, keywords, cast, and crew.

Text Processing and Tag Creation:

- Algorithm Description: Tokenization, cleaning, and merging of textual features (overview, genres, keywords, cast, crew) to create a consolidated set of tags representing each movie.
- Usage in Code: Utilized to extract meaningful information from text and represent it in a standardized format.

```
#merging overview,genres,keywords,cast,crew to Tag
movies['genres'] = movies['genres'].apply(lambda x:[i.replace(" ","") for i in x])
movies['keywords'] = movies['keywords'].apply(lambda x:[i.replace(" ","") for i in x])
movies['cast'] = movies['cast'].apply(lambda x:[i.replace(" ","") for i in x])
movies['crew'] = movies['crew'].apply(lambda x:[i.replace(" ","") for i in x])

movies.head()

movies['tags']=movies['overview']+movies['genres']+movies['keywords']+movies['crew']+movies['cast']
```

Stemming:

- Algorithm Description: Reducing words to their root or base form to capture their essential meaning.
- Usage in Code: Applied to normalize text in the 'tags' column, reducing words to their stems.

```
from nltk.stem.porter import PorterStemmer
ps = PorterStemmer()

def stem(text):
    y = []
    for i in text.split():
        y.append(ps.stem(i))
    return " ".join(y)
```

Vectorization (CountVectorizer):

- Algorithm Description: Converts text data into numerical vectors, representing the frequency of words in the text.
- Usage in Code: The CountVectorizer from scikit-learn is used to convert the 'tags' into a matrix of token counts.

Cosine Similarity:

- <u>Algorithm Description</u>: Measures the cosine of the angle between two non-zero vectors, providing a measure of similarity.
- Usage in Code: Cosine similarity is calculated between vectors representing different movies to determine their similarity.

```
from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine_similarity

similarity = cosine_similarity(vectors)

similarity[2]

array([0.0860309 , 0.06063391, 1. , ..., 0.02451452, 0. , 0. ])

sorted(list(enumerate(similarity[0])), reverse = True, key=lambda x:x[1])[1:6]

[(1216, 0.2867696673382022), (2409, 0.26901379342448517), (3730, 0.2605130246476754), (507, 0.255608593705383), (539, 0.25038669783359574)]
```

Recommendation Function:

- Algorithm Description: Sorting and recommending movies based on their similarity scores.
- Usage in Code: The recommend function takes a movie title as input, finds its index, calculates similarity scores, and recommends similar movies.

```
def recommend(movie):
    movie_index = new_df[new_df['title']==movie].index[0]
    distances = similarity[movie_index]
    movies_list = sorted(list(enumerate(distances)), reverse = True, key=lambda x:x[1])[1:6]
    for i in movies_list:
        print(new_df.iloc[i[0]].title)
    return
```

Results:

```
recommend('Avatar')
Aliens vs Predator: Requiem
Aliens
Falcon Rising
Independence Day
Titan A.E.
   recommend('Batman Begins')
The Dark Knight
Batman
Batman
The Dark Knight Rises
10th & Wolf
   recommend('The Dark Knight Rises')
The Dark Knight
Batman Returns
Batman
Batman Forever
Batman Begins
```

Conclusion

In conclusion, the implemented content-based movie recommendation system demonstrates a practical application of leveraging textual features for personalized suggestions. By extracting information from movie descriptions, genres, keywords, cast, and crew, the system creates cohesive tags that capture the essence of each film. The use of cosine similarity effectively measures the likeness between movies, forming the basis for relevant recommendations.

This content-based approach excels in providing user-specific suggestions, aligning with individual tastes and preferences. The recommendation function, powered by cosine similarity scores, offers a transparent and interpretable way to suggest movies based on textual content. The model storage using the pickle module ensures the persistence and reusability of the recommendation system.

Looking forward, potential enhancements could involve exploring additional textual features or integrating collaborative filtering techniques for a more comprehensive recommendation strategy. Despite its current focus on content, the system lays a foundation for future iterations and improvements in personalized movie recommendations. Overall, the project successfully addresses the need for tailored suggestions based on movie content, contributing to a user-friendly and adaptable recommendation system.

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