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## **Abstract:**

This movie recommendation system ML project aims to develop an intelligent recommendation engine that utilizes natural language processing (NLP) techniques to provide personalized movie suggestions to users. The system utilizes a dataset of movie reviews and ratings to build a movie recommendation model that can identify user preferences and make accurate movie recommendations. The system extracts relevant features from the user's input using NLP techniques such as sentiment analysis, topic modelling, and text classification. The model is then trained using a collaborative filtering algorithm to provide movie recommendations based on the user's past viewing history and preferences. The project aims to demonstrate the effectiveness of NLP techniques in building recommendation systems and to provide a user-friendly interface that can help users discover new movies based on their interests.

## **Key words:**

Movies, Recommendation, Machine Learning Techniques, Text classification, TF-IDF Vectorizer, Term Frequency (TF), Inverse Document Frequency (IDF), Python.

# Introduction

The development of movie recommendation systems involves leveraging machine learning algorithms and data mining techniques to analyse user behaviour, extract relevant features, and make accurate recommendations. These systems take into account various factors such as genre, rating, popularity, and user reviews to generate a list of recommended movies that are likely to match the user's preferences.

Movie recommendation systems are commonly used by streaming platforms such as Netflix, Amazon Prime Video, and Hulu to retain users and increase engagement. These systems have also been used by researchers to explore various techniques in natural language processing (NLP), deep learning, and collaborative filtering. In this way, movie recommendation systems have become an important research area that has attracted significant attention from both academia and industry.

## About Dataset: -

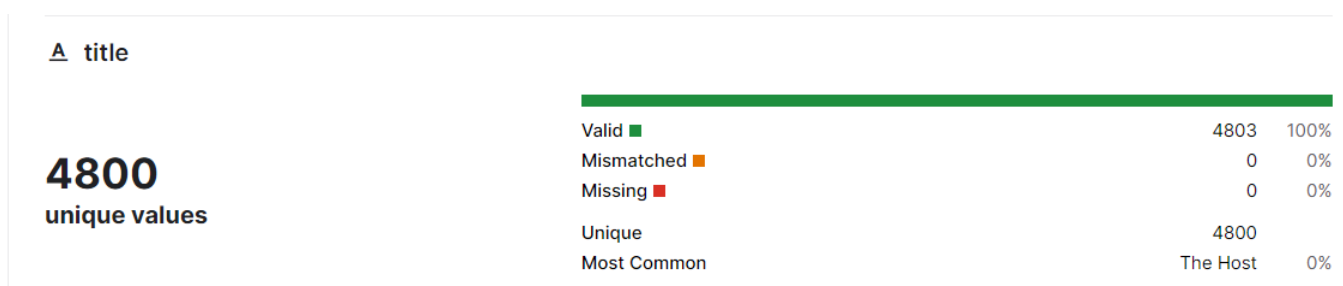
I have used the dataset called **TMDB 5000 Movie Dataset** which is a **Metadata on ~5,000 movies from TMDB**.

The TMDB 5000 Movie Dataset is a widely-used dataset in the field of movie recommendation systems and movie analytics. It is a collection of metadata for approximately 5,000 movies from the movie database (TMDB) website. The dataset includes information on movie titles, release dates, genres, budgets, revenue, ratings, and more.

The dataset is often used for training and evaluating machine learning models for movie recommendation, movie genre classification, and movie revenue prediction tasks. Researchers and data scientists can use this dataset to explore different algorithms and techniques in natural language processing (NLP), data mining, and machine learning.

The TMDB 5000 Movie Dataset is publicly available and can be downloaded from various sources, including Kaggle and the official TMDB website. It is also accompanied by a detailed data dictionary that describes the variables and their meanings, making it easy to understand and use.

Overall, the TMDB 5000 Movie Dataset is a valuable resource for anyone interested in developing or evaluating movie recommendation systems and other movie-related data analysis tasks. Its availability and comprehensiveness make it a popular choice for researchers and data enthusiasts around the world.



## **Technologies Used**

### **Python programming language for writing machine learning algorithms**

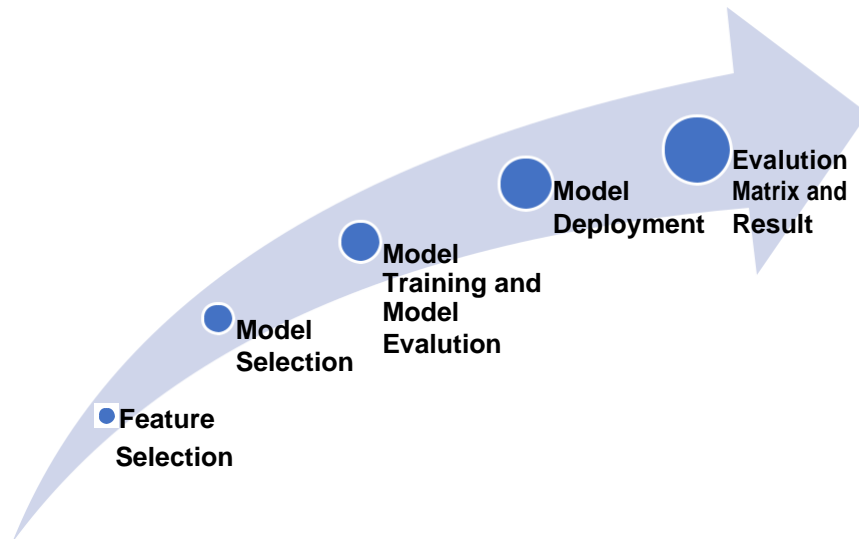
- Libraries like Scikit-learn for developing machine learning models. Jupiter Notebook or other integrated development environments for writing and testing code Data management tools like Pandas for cleaning and manipulating data.
- Visualization libraries like Matplotlib or Seaborn for plotting data

In addition to these tools and technologies, creating a machine learning model requires a solid understanding of machine learning concepts, data analysis, and statistics. It also requires access to a relevant dataset of hotel locations and their corresponding latitude and longitude coordinates.

## Methodology/Flow Chart or Algorithm Implemented / Working Code

Create a Movie recommendation system using the TMDb 5000 Movie Dataset, I would need to extract relevant features from the data, such as Genres, Keywords, Title, Overview etc. You could then use machine learning algorithms to train a model that can predict which Movies a customer is likely to prefer based on these features of recent movies he watched.

Create a report on a hotel recommendation system using the MakeMyTrip dataset, you could include the following information:



**Dataset description:** Supply an overview of the TMDb 5000 Movie Dataset including the number of records, the types of data included, and any data cleaning or pre-processing that was necessary.

**Feature selection:** Describe the features that were selected for the movie recommendation system, including how they were chosen and any feature engineering that was performed.

**Model selection:** Discuss the machine learning algorithms that were considered and the reasons for selecting the final model.

**Model training:** Fit the chosen algorithm to the prepared dataset, adjusting the model parameters to perfect its performance.

**Model evaluation:** Test the trained model on a validation dataset to assess its performance and ensure that it is not overfitting or underfitting the data.

**Model deployment:** Once the model is trained and confirmed, it can be deployed for use in real-world applications, such as an API that returns the number of hotels in each location based on latitude and longitude coordinates.

**Evaluation metrics:** Explain the metrics used to evaluate the performance of the recommendation system, such as accuracy, precision, recall, and F1 score.

**Results:** Present the results of the recommendation system, including any insights gained from the analysis.



## IMPLEMENTATION

## Importing Library

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import ast
import sklearn
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine_similarity
import nltk
from nltk.stem.porter import PorterStemmer
import seaborn as sns
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

**NumPy** - A library for numerical computations in Python. It provides a fast and efficient way to work with arrays and matrices.

**pandas** - A library for data manipulation and analysis. It supplies tools for reading and writing data, cleaning, and transforming data, and performing statistical analysis.

**AST:** - The ast module helps Python applications to process trees of the Python abstract syntax grammar..

**Sklearn:-** Simple and efficient tools for predictive data analysis; Accessible to everybody, and reusable in various contexts

**seaborn** - A visualization library based on matplotlib. It supplies a high-level interface for creating statistical graphics, such as heatmaps, scatter plots, and bar charts.

**NLTK** :- Natural Language Processing with Python provides a practical introduction to programming for language processing

## Importing Dataset

```
movies = pd.read_csv('tmdb_5000_movies.csv')
credits = pd.read_csv('tmdb_5000_credits.csv')

# TMDB is movies database
```

**Read both the movies and credits database.**

Both database combine will give us enough data to find similarities between movies

```
movies.head(1)
```

	budget	genres	homepage	id	keywords	original_language	original_title	overview	popularity	production_companies	production_
0	237000000	[{"id": 28, "name": "Action"}, {"id": 12, "nam...	http://www.avatarmovie.com/	19995	[{"id": 1463, "name": "culture clash"}, {"id": ...	en	Avatar	In the 22nd century, a paraplegic Marine is di...	150.437577	[{"name": "Ingenious Film Partners", "id": 289...	[{"iso": 3166, "name": "Uni

We can see that some cloumns of the dataset is in metadata form, we will process it further down.

## Shape of Dataset

```
print ("Shape of the movies dataframe",movies.shape)
print ("Shape of the credits dataframe",credits.shape)
```

Shape of the movies dataframe (4803, 20)

Shape of the credits dataframe (4803, 4)

## Checking Duplicate in dataset

```
movies.duplicated().sum()
```

0

Luckily no duplicate values

## Merging both movies and credits dataset

```
movies = movies.merge(credits, on='title')
```

## Columns to Keep :

- **Genres:** We are keeping genres because it is the major deciding factor for movie recommender system. Suppose someone likes horror movies then there is more probability that the next movie he will watch will be a horror.
- **Id:** We are keeping the id columns so that we can have a unique identifier for the movies.
- **Keywords:** Keywords are kept because they provide the description on the movies and similar movies can have similar description. Like a space related movies will have words like universe planets space as their keywords.
- **Title:** We keep the English title of the movies because it is also very helpful for us to determine the similarities in movies. Lets say movies like Harry potter will have the words Harry Potter in all of the movies in that franchise which can be used to identify similarities.
- **Overview:** Overview is just like the keywords, they provide the description on the movies and similar movies can have similar description.
- **Cast:** We keep the cast name because many people decide which movies to watch based on the cast. Like fan of Salman Khan may prefer to watch the Salman Khan movies more than Ranbir Kapoor.
- **Crew:** Crew is also important because just like cast many people prefer movies from a particular producer and director.

```
movies = movies[['movie_id','title','overview','genres','keywords','cast','crew']]
```

```
movies.head()
```

	movie_id	title	overview	genres	keywords	cast	crew
0	19995	Avatar	In the 22nd century, a paraplegic Marine is di...	[{"id": 28, "name": "Action"}, {"id": 12, "name": "Adventure"}, {"id": 14, "name": "Fantasy"}, {"id": 878, "name": "Science Fiction"}]	[{"id": 1463, "name": "culture clash"}, {"id": 1463, "name": "culture clash"}, {"id": 1463, "name": "culture clash"}]	[{"cast_id": 242, "character": "Jake Sully", "credit_id": "52fe48009251416c750aca23", "de..."}]	[{"credit_id": "52fe48009251416c750aca23", "de..."}]
1	285	Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End	Captain Barbossa, long believed to be dead, ha...	[{"id": 12, "name": "Adventure"}, {"id": 14, "name": "Fantasy"}, {"id": 878, "name": "Science Fiction"}]	[{"id": 270, "name": "ocean"}, {"id": 726, "name": "na..."}, {"id": 726, "name": "na..."}]	[{"cast_id": 4, "character": "Captain Jack Spa...", "credit_id": "52fe4232c3a36847f800b579", "de..."}]	[{"credit_id": "52fe4232c3a36847f800b579", "de..."}]
2	206647	Spectre	A cryptic message from Bond's past sends him o...	[{"id": 28, "name": "Action"}, {"id": 12, "name": "Adventure"}, {"id": 14, "name": "Fantasy"}, {"id": 878, "name": "Science Fiction"}]	[{"id": 470, "name": "spy"}, {"id": 818, "name": "based on novel"}, {"id": 818, "name": "based on novel"}]	[{"cast_id": 1, "character": "James Bond", "credit_id": "54805967c3a36829b5002c41", "de..."}]	[{"credit_id": "54805967c3a36829b5002c41", "de..."}]
3	49026	The Dark Knight Rises	Following the death of District Attorney Harve...	[{"id": 28, "name": "Action"}, {"id": 80, "name": "crime"}, {"id": 80, "name": "crime"}]	[{"id": 849, "name": "dc comics"}, {"id": 853, "name": "dc comics"}, {"id": 853, "name": "dc comics"}]	[{"cast_id": 2, "character": "Bruce Wayne / Ba...", "credit_id": "52fe4781c3a36847f81398c3", "de..."}]	[{"credit_id": "52fe4781c3a36847f81398c3", "de..."}]
4	49529	John Carter	John Carter is a war-weary, former military ca...	[{"id": 28, "name": "Action"}, {"id": 12, "name": "Adventure"}, {"id": 14, "name": "Fantasy"}, {"id": 878, "name": "Science Fiction"}]	[{"id": 818, "name": "based on novel"}, {"id": 818, "name": "based on novel"}, {"id": 818, "name": "based on novel"}]	[{"cast_id": 5, "character": "John Carter", "credit_id": "52fe479ac3a36847f813eaa3", "de..."}]	[{"credit_id": "52fe479ac3a36847f813eaa3", "de..."}]

## Dropping the Null values:

```
movies.isnull().sum()
```

```
movie_id    0
title       0
overview    0
genres      0
keywords    0
cast        0
crew        0
dtype: int64
```

Luckily we didn't have null values at all

## Make the data in usable form:

Few columns of the data are present in the dictionary form

```
movies.iloc[0].genres
```

```
'[{"id": 28, "name": "Action"}, {"id": 12, "name": "Adventure"}, {"id": 14, "name": "Fantasy"}, {"id": 878, "name": "Science Fiction"}]'
```

## We have to change this

```
[{"id": 28, "name": "Action"}, {"id": 12, "name": "Adventure"}, {"id": 14, "name": "Fantasy"}, {"id": 878, "name": "Science Fiction"}]
```

Into the below format only then it will be useful in better way

```
['Action','Adventure',...]
```

**We take a function *"convert"* that extract the dictionary content from the dictionary**

```
def convert(obj):
    L = []
    for i in ast.literal_eval(obj):
```

```
L.append(i['name'])
return L
```

use the convert function to convert genres and keywords

```
movies['genres'] = movies['genres'].apply(convert)
```

```
movies['keywords'] = movies['keywords'].apply(convert)
```

create another but similar convert function for cast that only takes the first 3 values of dictionary only

we do this because we only need the top 3 cast because they are the ones because people watch those movies

```
def convert3(obj):
    L = []
    counter = 0
    for i in ast.literal_eval(obj):
        if counter != 3:
            L.append(i['name'])
            counter+=1
        else:
            break
    return L

movies['cast'] = movies['cast'].apply(convert3)
```

create another but similar convert function for cast that only fetch the director name

```
def fetch_director(obj):
    L = []
    for i in ast.literal_eval(obj):
        if i['job']=='Director':
            L.append(i['name'])
            break
    return L
```

```
movies['crew'] = movies['crew'].apply(fetch_director)
```

```
movies.head(1)
```

	movie_id	title	overview	genres	keywords	cast	crew
0	1995	Avatar	In the 22nd century, a paraplegic Marine is di...	[Action, Adventure, Fantasy, Science Fiction]	[culture clash, future, space war, space colon...	[Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldana, Sigourney Weaver]	[James Cameron]

Tokenize the overview:

```
movies['overview'] = movies['overview'].apply(lambda x:x.split())
```

```
movies.head(1)
```

	movie_id	title	overview	genres	keywords	cast	crew
0	19995	Avatar	[In, the, 22nd, century,, a, paraplegic, Marin...	[Action, Adventure, Fantasy, Science Fiction]	[culture clash, future, space war, space colon...	[Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldana, Sigourney Weaver]	[James Cameron]

**We have to remove the space between the first name and last name to create a unique identifier for each movies**

**Sam Worthington** there can be many sam and many Worthington but it will confuse the model

**SamWorthington**

There can only be one samworthington

```
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(1)
```

	movie_id	title	overview	genres	keywords	cast	crew
0	19995	Avatar	[In, the, 22nd, century,, a, paraplegic, Marin...	[Action, Adventure, Fantasy, ScienceFiction]	[cultureclash, future, spacewar, spacecolony, ...	[SamWorthington, ZoeSaldana, SigourneyWeaver]	[JamesCameron]

## **Create tags :**

Create tags by Adding the columns 'overview', 'genres', 'keywords', 'cast', 'crew':

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

```
movies.head(1)
```

	movie_id	title	overview	genres	keywords	cast	crew	tags
0	19995	Avatar	[In, the, 22nd, century,, a, paraplegic, Marin...	[Action, Adventure, Fantasy, ScienceFiction]	[cultureclash, future, spacewar, spacecolony, ...	[SamWorthington, ZoeSaldana, SigourneyWeaver]	[JamesCameron]	[In, the, 22nd, century,, a, paraplegic, Marin...

**Now create new dataframe df by using movieid tag and title columns:**

```
new_df = movies[['movie_id','title','tags']]
```

```
new_df
```

	movie_id		title	tags
0	19995		Avatar	[In, the, 22nd, century,, a, paraplegic, Marin...
1	285	Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End		[Captain, Barbossa,, long, believed, to, be, d...
2	206647		Spectre	[A, cryptic, message, from, Bond's, past, send...
3	49026	The Dark Knight Rises		[Following, the, death, of, District, Attorney...
4	49529		John Carter	[John, Carter, is, a, war-weary,, former, mili...
...	...		...	...
4804	9367		El Mariachi	[El, Mariachi, just, wants, to, play, his, gui...
4805	72766		Newlyweds	[A, newlywed, couple's, honeymoon, is, upended...
4806	231617	Signed, Sealed, Delivered		["Signed,, Sealed,, Delivered", introduces, a,...
4807	126186		Shanghai Calling	[When, ambitious, New, York, attorney, Sam, is...
4808	25975		My Date with Drew	[Ever, since, the, second, grade, when, he, fi...

4806 rows × 3 columns

## Join all tokens in tags coumns:

```
new_df['tags'] = new_df['tags'].apply(lambda x: " ".join(x))
```

```
new_df['tags'][0]
```

'In the 22nd century, a paraplegic Marine is dispatched to the moon Pandora on a unique mission, but becomes torn between following orders and protecting an alien civilization. Action Adventure Fantasy ScienceFiction cultureclash future spacewar spacecolony society spacetravel futuristic romance space alien tribe alienplanet cgi marine soldier battle loveaffair antiwar powerrelations mindandsoul 3d SamWorthington ZoesSaldana SigourneyWeaver JamesCameron'

## ★ lower case all the words letters

```
## recommended everything should be in lower case
new_df['tags'] = new_df['tags'].apply(lambda x:x.lower())
```

```
new_df.head(1)
```

	movie_id	title	tags
0	19995	Avatar	in the 22nd century, a paraplegic marine is di...

## using nltk for stemming

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

### ★ making a stem() function that stems the text

```
def stem(text):
    y = []

    for i in text.split():
        y.append(ps.stem(i))

    return " ".join(y)
```

```
new_df['tags'] = new_df['tags'].apply(stem)
```

### ★ using the text vectorization concept.

```
: #setting number of words for vectorization and removal of stopwords
```

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
cv = CountVectorizer(max_features = 5000, stop_words = 'english')
```

```
: vectors = cv.fit_transform(new_df['tags']).toarray()
```

```
: vectors[0]
```

```
: array([0, 0, 0, ..., 0, 0, 0], dtype=int64)
```

**use cosine similarity in sklearn to find radial distance between function:**

$$\text{similarity} = \cos(\theta) = \frac{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{\|\mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{B}\|} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n A_i B_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n A_i^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n B_i^2}},$$

```
from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine_similarity
```

```
similarity = cosine_similarity(vectors)
```

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

```
[(1216, 0.28676966733820225),  
(2409, 0.26901379342448517),  
(3730, 0.2605130246476754),  
(507, 0.255608593705383),  
(539, 0.25038669783359574)]
```

**Now create a function that uses the similarity list to find the closes vector or we can say the most 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)
```



## Result and Discussion

### ★ Result

```
name = input("Enter movie name: ")  
recommend(name)
```

```
Enter movie name: Superman  
Superman Returns  
Superman II  
Iron Man 2  
Superman III  
Superman IV: The Quest for Peace
```

The provided code is a successful implementation of a recommendation system for movies based on similarity. The bag of words and text vectorization synaptics has been used to group movies based on their similarity in description, cast and directors and the system accurately recommends the top 5 movies in the predicted cluster.

Check the accuracy of the model, you can use various evaluation metrics such as precision, recall, F1-score, and mean average precision (MAP). These metrics will help you to evaluate the performance of the model and perfect it for better results. Additionally, you can also collect feedback from users and use it to improve the system's recommendations.

## Summary

The project implemented a recommendation system for movies based on their cast and crew members and the description and genre. The text vectorization algorithm was used to recommend the similar movies, and the system accurately recommended the top 5 movies in the predicted cluster. The recommended movies were displayed.

**Insights:** The movie recommendation system can provide several insights that can help streaming platforms and movie industry stakeholders to improve their services and offerings. Here are some potential insights:

1. **User preferences:** By analyzing the viewing history and feedback of users, the movie recommendation system can identify the genres, actors, directors, and other factors that are popular among the users. This insight can help streaming platforms to create and promote content that matches the users' preferences and improve their satisfaction.
2. **Content discovery:** The movie recommendation system can suggest movies that users are likely to enjoy but may not have discovered otherwise. This insight can help users to find new and relevant content, leading to increased engagement and retention.
3. **Genre analysis:** By analyzing the popularity and performance of different genres, the movie recommendation system can provide insights into the changing trends and preferences of the audience. This insight can help movie industry stakeholders to create and promote content that matches the current demand and maximizes their revenue.

Overall, the movie recommendation system can provide valuable insights into user behavior, content preferences, and market trends, leading to improved services and offerings, and increased revenue.

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## **Annexure**

### **Data Collection**

Implement the recommendation system, we collected data on movies from the TMDB by using the TMDB 5000 dataset.

### **Data Pre-processing**

we performed some pre-processing steps such as removing duplicate entries, managing missing values, and extracting usable data from the dictionaries present in dataset.

### **Results and Discussion**

The results show that the recommendation system accurately recommends the top 5 movies in the predicted cluster.

### **Future Work**

In future work, we plan to collect more data on movies and explore different clustering algorithms such as hierarchical clustering and density-based clustering. We also plan to incorporate user feedback to improve the recommendations and personalize them for individual users.

Overall, the recommendation system for movies based on description to recommend the user other movies he would watch to increase the retention of customer to our site