# MovieMatch - Optimized with RAG: A Detailed Report

#### Introduction

MovieMatch has been revamped with the latest advancements in technology to enhance user experience and movie recommendation precision. By integrating Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG), a graph database, and an improved user interface, MovieMatch now offers a more powerful, intuitive, and efficient movie discovery experience.

# Approach Taken

#### 1. Integration with Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG)

**Objective:** Enhance the recommendation engine's capability to provide precise and contextually relevant movie suggestions.

#### Implementation:

- Leveraged OpenAI's models for generative capabilities, combined with Neo4j for retrieval tasks.
- Implemented a pipeline where user queries are processed to retrieve relevant data from the graph database before generating recommendations using OpenAI's models.

#### 2. Graph Database Integration

**Objective:** Efficiently optimize movie search functionality. **Implementation:** 

- Chose Neo4j for its powerful graph database capabilities.
- Structured the database to maintain relationships between users, movies, and various attributes (genres, ratings, keywords).
- Used vector search techniques to enhance the search capabilities within the database, ensuring fast and relevant results.

#### 3. Improved User Interface

**Objective:** Create a more intuitive and user-friendly design. **Implementation:** 

- Streamlined the UI to simplify navigation and enhance user engagement.
- Incorporated design elements that make the movie discovery process seamless and enjoyable.

#### 4. Advanced Search Functionality

**Objective:** Enable detailed and flexible search options based on user preferences.

#### Implementation:

- Developed search features allowing users to filter movies by plot, ratings, and specific keywords.
- Implemented algorithms to handle complex search queries efficiently, improving the accuracy of recommendations.

# Challenges Faced and Solutions

### 1. Data Integration and Management

**Challenge:** Integrating diverse sources of movie data into a cohesive dataset. **Solution:** 

- Developed a custom dataset by collating data from various online sources.
- Used scripts to preprocess and standardize the data, ensuring consistency and compatibility with the graph database.

#### 2. Modularising Code

**Challenge:** Ensuring the codes are written in a proper concise manner. **Solution:** 

- Used relative paths to import files from the subdirectories.
- Structured the project into subfolders, each containing specific functionalities.



Figure 1: Sample User Queries

#### 3. Utilising Vector Searches

Challenge: Leveraging Vector embeddings offered by Neo4j. Solution:

- Created Vector embeddings using GenAI functionality after rigorous testing.
- Integrated these embeddings into the Neo4j graph database to enhance the precision and relevance of search results.

#### 4. Handling User Queries

**Challenge:** Ensuring the application doesn't veer away from the prompt. **Solution:** 

- Experimented with various prompt formulations to find the most effective ones.
- Refer to Fig 1.

# Getting Started with MovieMatch

1. Clone the Repository:

git clone https://github.com/your-repository/movie-match.git

#### 2. Install Neo4j Desktop and GenAI Stack:

- Follow Neo4j's GenAI Stack installation guide.
- Request the dataset by emailing abhishekshankar79@yahoo.com.

#### 3. Set Up the Environment:

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python -m venv venv
source venv/bin/activate
pip install -r requirements.txt
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#### 4. Configure Environment Variables:

#### 5. Run the Application:

streamlit run app.py

# Conclusion

With these enhancements, MovieMatch stands out as a leading movie recommendation platform, offering users a seamless and personalized movie discovery experience. The integration of RAG, a graph database, and an advanced UI ensures that MovieMatch is not only user-friendly but also powerful in delivering accurate and engaging movie suggestions.

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