Gitsome: Github Recommender Project Proposal

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1 Proposal

1.1 Summary

We will be finding repository recommendations for a user by using k-means algorithm and finding user-similarities using. Github does not currently have a recommendation system implemented. They just look amongst "trending" as highest values within a time frame. A recommendation system is easy to create because a user "stars" code repositories. A star relates to a 1 and not starring a repository relates to 0. The Jaccard coefficient is a useful measure for binary values. We chose to create a website that allows a user to log in with their Github credentials and repositories would be recommended. We chose to use MeteorJS because we are familiar with its technologies.

1.2 Mockup



1.3 Technologies

- 1. NodeJS
- 2. MeteorJS
- 3. MongoDB
- 4. Redis Server
- 5. Github v3.0 API https://developer.github.com/v3/
- 6. Recommendation Racoon https://github.com/guymorita/recommendationRaccoon

1.4 Process

- 1. Get user's starred values
- 2. Load into Raccoon to create binary vector
- 3. Get user's friend's stars and create binary vector
- 4. Load into Raccoon to create binary vector
- 5. Calculate Jaccard coefficient between friends
- 6. Use K-means to determine recommendations
- 7. Present recommendations to user through website medium

1.5 Evaluation

We want to look for Jaccard Index values closest to 1. Raccoon returns the top values, but does not have a x is > function.