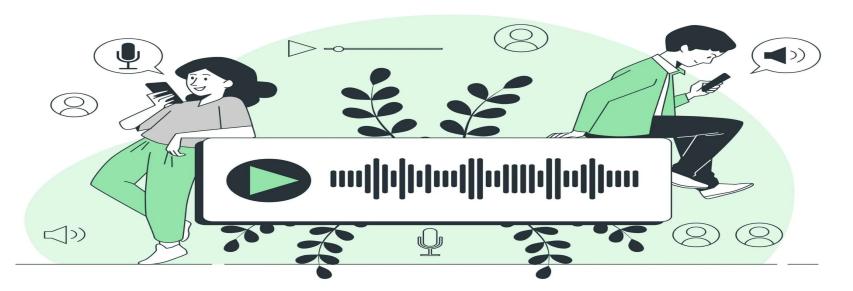
# Music Recommender System Presented by: Jayashree Lakshmi



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## **Problem Definition**

Challenge: Difficulty in discovering new music that aligns well with our preferences

#### Current Limitation:

Manual search: Time consuming

Generic Recommendations: Lack of personalized suggestions

leading to unsatisfactory user experiences

Need: System which automatically recommends music based on the individual preferences and listening patterns

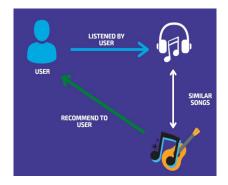
# **Objective**

• To develop a personalized music recommender system that predicts the **Top N Songs** for each user.

Key Features:

User Data: Utilize user ID and play count to analyze listening behavior

**Song Data:** Leverage song ID, song title and artist names to model song preferences.



## **Datasets**

Dataset: Taste Profile Subset released by the Echo Nest as part of the Million Song Dataset

Song data: **1,000,000 Records** 

song\_id - A unique id given to every song

title - Title of the song

Release - Name of the released album

**Artist name -** Name of the artist

year - Year of release

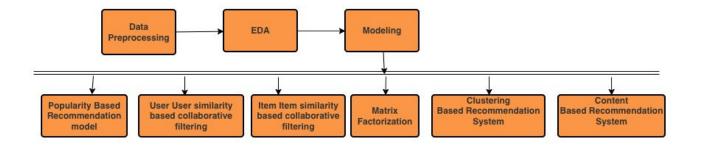
Count data: 2,000,000 Records

user \_id - A unique id given to the user

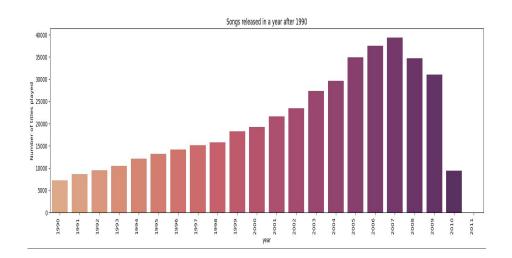
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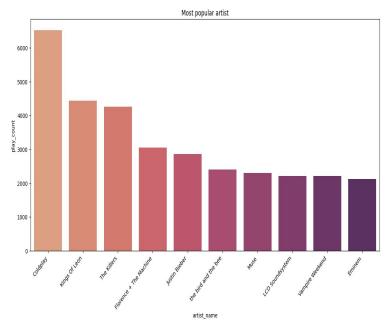
play\_count - Number of times the song was played

# **Solution Design**



## **Exploratory Data Analysis**





## **Performance Metrics**

**Precision:**Ratio of correctly predicted positive observations(True positive) to the total predicted positive observations(True positives + False Positives)

Imagine you have a playlist of songs you think your friend will like. Precision tells you how many of those songs your friend actually likes.

**Recall:** The ratio of correctly predicted positive observations (True Positives) to all observations in the actual class (True Positives + False Negatives).

How many of your friend's favorite songs you included in the playlist.

**F1 score:** The F1 score is the harmonic mean of Precision and Recall. It gives a single score that balances both precision and recall

# **Key Observations & Insights**

#### **Popularity Based Recommendation system:**

Recommending popular/Trending items

Resolves :Cold Start Problem Limitation:Lack of Personalization

#### **User User Similarity Based Collaborative Filtering:**

RMSE: 1.0817 Precision: 0.005 Recall: 0.003 F 1 score: 0.004

#### **Tuning**

Best parameters: {'k': 40, 'min k': 10, 'sim options': {'name': 'pearson\_baseline', 'user\_based': True}}

RMSE: 1.0131 Precision: 0.079 Recall: 0.038 F 1 score: 0.051

Tuning the User-User CF model significantly enhanced the

recommendation quality,

resulting in more accurate, relevant, and balanced

predictions.

#### **Item Item Similarity Based Collaborative Filtering:**

RMSE: 1.0320 Precision: 0.006 Recall: 0.007 F 1 score: 0.006

#### **Tuning**

Best parameters: {'k': 30, 'min\_k': 3, 'sim\_options': {'name': 'msd', 'user\_based':

False}}

RMSE: 0.8178 Precision: 0.028 Recall: 0.018 F 1 score: 0.022

Tuning the Item-Item Collaborative Filtering model resulted in improved accuracy

and better-quality recommendations.

#### **Matrix Factorization:**

RMSE: 0.6590 Precision: 0.184 Recall: 0.103 F 1 score: 0.132

#### **Tuning**

Best parameters: {'n\_epochs': 20, 'lr\_all': 0.01, 'reg\_all': 0.1}

RMSE: 0.7885 Precision: 0.074 Recall: 0.041 F 1 score: 0.053

The initial Matrix Factorization model performed better in terms of

both precision, recall, and F1-score.

#### **Content based Recommendation System:**

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[95] # Make the recommendation for the song with title 'Learn To Fly' recommendations('tearn To Fly', similar_songs)

[445, 520, 246, 465, 367, 429, 0, 416, 417, 418]
['Big Me', 'Everlong', 'The Pretender', 'Nothing Better (Album)', 'From Left To Right', 'Lifespan Of A Fly', 'Daisy And Prudence', 'Ghosts 'n' Stuff (Original Instrumental Mix)", 'Closer', 'No Cars Go']
```

#### **Clustering based Recommendation System:**

RMSE: 0.9698

Precision: 0.438

Recall: 0.653

F\_1 score: 0.524

#### **Tuning**

RMSE: 0.9698

Precision: 0.439

Recall: 0.653

F\_1 score: 0.525

Tuning the Cluster-Based Recommendation System resulted in minimal improvements in performance.

The best parameters (n\_cltr\_u=3, n\_cltr\_i=5,

n\_epochs=40) slightly improved precision and F1-score, while maintaining the same recall and RMSE. This suggests that while the model is stable, further tuning might not result in significant gains.

### **Model Performance Overview**

Model	RMSE	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	Content Score
User-User Collaborative Filtering	1.0131	0.079	0.038	0.051	N/A
Item-Item Collaborative Filtering	0.8178	0.028	0.018	0.022	N/A
Matrix Factorization (SVD)	0.6590	0.184	0.103	0.132	N/A
Cluster-Based Recommendation System	0.9698	0.439	0.653	0.525	N/A
Content-Based Recommendation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.00
Hybrid Model (Example Prediction)	1.4063	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Hybrid model's prediction error is relatively high compared to some of the individual models

Further **tuning** the hybrid model, potentially adjusting the weighting of the individual components

# **Executive Summary**

#### **Key Takeaways**

- Fine-tuning hyperparameters improved performance metrics significantly, especially for Collaborative Filtering models
- Content-based and rank based filtering addresses the **cold start** problem, making it effective for recommending new or less-interacted songs
- Combines multiple techniques (Collaborative Filtering, Content-Based, Matrix Factorization) for better accuracy and diversity in recommendations.
- The hybrid approach can be extended to other domains like movies, books, and e-commerce recommendations.

#### **Next Steps**

- Experiment with deep learning models (e.g., neural collaborative filtering, autoencoders) to capture more complex user-item interactions.
- Implement strategies such as leveraging social media data or explicit user inputs to address the cold start problem for new users and items.
- Explore additional tuning and optimization techniques, especially for the hybrid model
- Develop a user-friendly front-end interface to deliver recommendations in a more engaging and intuitive way
- Conduct real-world testing with users to validate model performance and improve personalization through feedback.