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Hello!

Thank you for completing the form to request dataset usage. You have been approved to use the datasets as you have described in this form (educational or academic research, NON COMMERCIAL USE). Should any usage details change, you will need to fill out the form again. Please notify us of any publications that result from this usage, and follow the guidelines laid out for usage in the associated readme file.

As described in the README file, please acknowledge your use of MovieLens Datasets in any publication or demonstration by citing this paper: F. Maxwell Harper and Joseph A. Konstan. 2015. The MovieLens Datasets: History and Context. ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems (TiiS) 5, 4: 19:1–19:19. <https://doi.org/10.1145/2827872>

Please note:

On updated chrome browsers we use a secure URL for grouplens.org (<https://grouplens.org>) but we link to insecure access for the files (<http://files.grouplens.org>) and apparently chrome has decided to just ignore such clicks. Until we can fix this issue, when you click the dataset links at grouplens.org you may see a privacy error indicating that something is wrong and you shouldn't do whatever you were doing, or it may just show up as a broken link or 404 Error.

The best workaround is to download your requested dataset through this link:

<<http://files.grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/>> It's the same link that you find on our MovieLens Dataset page, but pointing the "insecure" version of the site because the secure version is broken. This issue is being worked on right now.

Have a great week, and happy researching!

~Laura

NOTE: The University of Minnesota began working remotely on March 18th, 2020, and will do so for the indefinite future. To that end, email is the best way to contact me at this time.

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