

Hybrid[Fastai + AutoSurprise]: Rating Prediction for Book Recommendation System

Learning Objective/ Goal

- 1) To predict book ratings for the given 'train.csv' using different approaches.
- 2) To use the book's metadata, learn and build a memory-based recommendation system listed in the [article](#)

Source code

<https://github.com/sudha-vijayakumar/CMPE256-BOOK-RECOMMENDATION-SYSTEM.git>

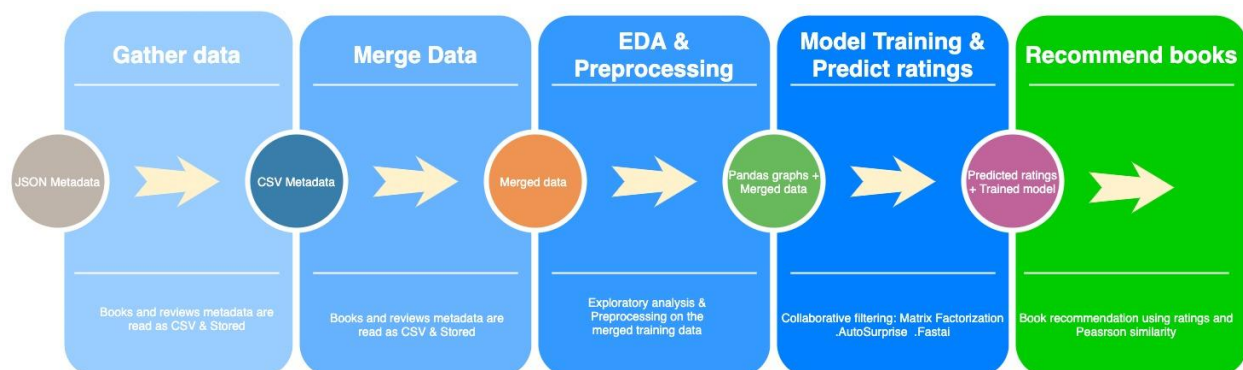
Input files (7)

- input/metadata/
[goodreads_books_children.json.gz](#),
[goodreads_reviews_children.json.gz](#)
- input/
train.csv
test.csv
- processed_data/
books.csv
reviews.csv
books_with_review.csv (will be generated at step-1,2)

Output (5)

- output/
predictions-svd-75.csv
predictions_Fast_ai.csv
Final_submission.csv
Book_with_reviews.html
User_Ratings.html

ML Pipeline



HOW TO RUN (Run the notebooks in the below order)

No.	STEP	Filename
<u>1</u>	Read metadata as CSV	1_JSON_To_CSV.ipynb
<u>2</u>	Merge reviews with books	2_Merge_reviews_books_user_data.ipynb
<u>3</u>	EDA	3_EDA_using_Pandas.ipynb
<u>4</u>	Model Training <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Identifying the best model for the train data <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) AutoSurprise - SVD b) Fastai - Matrix Factorization 2) Train & make predictions for the test.csv using Surprise - SVD[Matrix Factorization] 	4.0_Auto_Surprise_BestModel.ipynb Run-time: limited to 6hours 4.1_Surprise-SVD_Book_Rating_Prediction.ipynb Run-time: 1hour 4.2_Fastai_Book_Rating_Prediction.ipynb Run-time: 50mins Submission: $[0.7 * 4.1_{(prediction)}] + [0.3 * 4.2_{(prediction)}]$ 6_submission.ipynb
<u>5</u>	Recommendation System Collaborative filter - Memory-based - PearsonR	5_Recommendation_using_Colab_Filtering.ipynb

Learning outcome

- 1) Experimented with different approaches on how to predict ratings for the given dataset.
- 2) Collaborative filtering + Matrix factorization: for 700k dataset,
 - a) Surprise is slow and also did not scale well.
 - b) fastai is faster and scales well comparatively.
- 3) Built basic recommendation systems using the practical approaches taught in this course(Collaborative filtering using Pearson similarity).

Future work

To try [HGN baseline for sequential recommendation](#) (Rank_1) [Source](#)