Recommender System for Jobs

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Abstract:

With so many different IT-related job types in demand nowadays, it is hard for a fresh graduate or multi-skilled professional to determine where they would fit best. Several unwanted jobs appear in the sorted lists. There is a need for the recommendation system with more accuracy. The aim of this Project is to scraps the job postings from indeed.com and generate recommendations based on a set of skills. We use content-based filtering for generating recommendations.

Introduction:

With so many different IT-related job types in demand nowadays, it is hard for a fresh graduate or multi-skilled professional to determine where they would fit best. This problem is most apparent in today's data-driven economy, where the job descriptions and roles are closely connected and often overlapping. Several unwanted jobs appear in the sorted lists. There is a need for the recommendation system with more accuracy. In order to solve this problem, I have implemented a recommendation system. I have scrapped the data from indeed.com and stored the data in the CSV file using requests, Beautiful soup. From the scrapped data the recommendations using content-based filtering. I have used TF-IDF and cosine similarity in generating recommendations. Our goal is to recommend the jobs based on a set of skills by filtering the jobs based on the skills and to recommend them.

Related Work:

I used several libraries for this project. They are Requests, Beautiful soup, os, CSV and Pandas.

Requests allow you to send HTTP/1.1 requests. You can add headers, form data, multipart files, and parameters with simple Python dictionaries, and access the response data in the same way. It's powered by httplib and urllib3, but it does all the hard work and crazy hacks for you.

Beautiful Soup is a library that makes it easy to scrape information from web pages. It sits atop an HTML or XML parser, providing Pythonic idioms for iterating, searching, and modifying the parse tree.

OS module provides a portable way of using operating system dependent functionality. If we just want to read or write a file see open(), manipulate paths, see the os, path module, and lines in all the files on the command line see the file input module. For creating temporary files and directories see the tempfile module, and for high-level file and directory handling see the shutil module.

pandas is a Python package providing fast, flexible, and expressive data structures designed to make working with structured (tabular, multidimensional, potentially heterogeneous) and time series data both easy and intuitive. It aims to be the fundamental high-level building block for doing practical, real world data analysis in Python. Additionally, it has the broader goal of becoming the most powerful and flexible open source data analysis / manipulation tool available in any language.

Implementation:

I have imported all the necessary libraries and then searched for the jobs in indeed and copied the link. I have aimed to scrap the data from 100 pages and then created a empty Jobs_data.csv file for storing the scrapped data. Then I have scrapped the job title, company, location, salary, summary separately and stored the data in the csv file created initially. For all the 100 pages, I managed to scrap 1477 jobs. I used 'try and except' concept in scrapping the data. Requests, Beautiful soup, os, CSV are the libraries used for scrapping the data. The scrapped data is stored in CSV file. Using pandas, I have read the CSV file and printed the Jobs and shape of CSV file. I then tokenize the summary and store them in another file. Then apply TF-IDF to it and store the vectors in a data frame. Then we find a set of skills for generating the recommendations. Then apply TF-IDF to it and store the vectors in a data frame. Then we find cosine similarity between the data frames and print similarity values. Then I filter the similarity values and then print top 10 similar jobs.

Results:

Initially the data is scrapped from 100 pages is stored in CSV format. The data is scrapped as job title, company, location, salary, summary.



Then we load the CSV file using Pandas. Then print the head of the CSV file.



Then I have tokenized summary column and stored in a data frame.

	Job_Title	Company	Location	Salary	Summary	words
0	Software Engineer	Confidential	None	None	We have one large project that is in Go, using	[We, have, one, large, project, that, is, in,
1	Software Engineer Level 1	Honeywell	None	None	You will implement software projects (with coa	[You, will, implement, software, projects, wit
2	Robotics Software Engineer	Top Flight Technologies	None	None	Develop firmware and embedded software in C/C+	[Develop, firmware, and, embedded, software, i
3	Software Engineer	Twitter	San Francisco, CA 94103 (South Of Market area)	None	Pursuant to the San Francisco Fair Chance Ordi	[Pursuant, to, the, San, Francisco, Fair, Chan
4	Software Developer I	Perspecta	Campbell, CA 95011	None	Reviews and evaluates systems and software for	[Reviews, and, evaluates, systems, and, softwa

Then I applied TF-IDF for the data frame and stored the values in a data frame.

Then I have tokenized the skillset array.

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['java', 'python', 'javascript', 'C++', 'C', 'R']
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Then I applied TF-IDF for the skillset array and stored the values in a data frame.

Then I found similarity using Cosine similarity.

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Based on the similarity scores generated I found the first 10 Jobs most similar to the skill set and recommend them.

Job_Title	Software Engineer	
Company	Confidential	
Location	None	
Salary	None	
	We are based in San Francisco and would set yo	
Name: 239,	dtype: object	
Job Title	Entry Level Product Engineer	
Company	Locus Technologies	
Location	Mountain View, CA 94043	
Salary	None	
Summary	You will have the opportunity to utilize and h	
	dtype: object	
Job_Title	Software Engineer - Back-end Development	
Company	Tynker	
Location	None	
Salary	None	
Summary	Our learning platform delivers courses that te dtype: object	
	acype: object	
Job_Title	Senior Software Engineer	
Company	Blue Sages	
Location	None	
Salary	None	
Summary	Software Engineer Experience and Qualification	
Name: 1299,	dtype: object	
Job Title	Software Quality Engineer	
Company	Apple	
Location	Austin, TX 78758 (North Austin area)	
Salary	None	
Summary	We are looking for a passionate and hardworkin	
	dtype: object	
Job Title	Software Engineer	
Company	Capital Group	
Location	Irvine, CA 92618	
Salary	None	
	The Solutions Engineer based in Irvine, CA is	
	dtype: object	
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Job_Title	Software Engineer Level 1	

Conclusion:

The recommended system for jobs is build by scrapping the indeed data and implemented it, by using content-based filtering, using TF-IDF and cosine similarity. The drawback of this system is that the dataset is too small. As the dataset is scrapped from the indeed.com. Future scope of this project is that this recommendation system can be developed by selecting multiple skillsets for recommending jobs with much better efficiency than the implemented recommender system.