

# Recommender System For Online Shopping

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**Abstract-** Over the past few years, it has been observed that the internet has become a vast medium for online shopping. People have started preferring online shopping as it saves time. But it has been observed that they waste a huge amount of time searching for the right product. Hence to save time of customers there is an ardent need of a system that can assist users in finding suitable products. Such systems are called recommender systems. They can suggest products based on user past history, based on user rating or based on demographics. In this paper we have discussed recommendation types i.e. collaborative and content based filtering, item profile and how to represent item profile.

**Keywords-** Collaborative filtering, Content based filtering, Demographic, Bayesian interface.

## I. INTRODUCTION

The increasing importance of the web in the last few years for online shopping has led to the development of recommender systems. The main aim of a recommender system is to display products based on user preferences. The development of a recommender system has increased the revenue of online shopping portals. For example, if a customer is satisfied with recommendations of a particular site then there are more chances that he will visit the site again. A recommender system has proved to be helpful to increase the satisfaction of customers. A recommendation system can also provide diverse recommendations as there is a chance that a user might like one of these products. The advantage of diverse recommendations is that a user does not get bored with the recommendation of similar items.

## II. RECOMMENDER SYSTEMS

The fundamental principle of a recommendation system is to establish a significant dependency between a user and the product. For example, consider an online movie site. If a user is interested in a historical documentary then it is more likely that he will be interested in another historical documentary or an educational film rather than any action film. Nowadays many sites have their own recommendation systems. For example, Amazon.com recommender system, Netflix movie recommender system, Google news personalization system, etc. The basic recommendation system deals with two types of data i.e. [i] User buying behaviour or ratings [ii]

Attributes related to user profile. Methods that use the former are called collaborative filtering methods whereas the one which uses the latter is called content based filtering method.

## RECOMMENDER SYSTEM TYPES

The system learns to recommend items that are similar to the ones that the user liked in the past. The similarity of items is calculated based on the features associated with the compared items.

## COLLABORATIVE FILTERING

Recommendation systems in collaborative filtering grow to be thrilling as few domains are utilized by research pupils and academicians like human-computer interaction, records retrieval machines and machine learning.

Few well known recommender structures in popular fields like, for example, Ringo-music, Bellcore-video recommender, jester jokes and so forth. Collaborative filtering commenced to apply within the early 1990s. Maximum extensively used instance of collaborative filtering and recommendation system is Amazon.com

To recommend among a large set of values to a user is very important.

Netflix has 17,000 movies collection while Amazon.com has 4,10,000 identify in its series, so a right choice of recommendation is necessary.

Toolbox used for collaborative filtering becomes superior with the help of Bayesian interface, case-based totally reasoning technique, records retrieval.

Collaborative filtering offers with 'customers' and 'items'. A preference given by any person to an item is called 'rating' and is represented through triplet value set of (person item and score).

Triplet rating is used to create a sparse matrix and it's far referred as rating matrix.

Predict task and recommend task are used for evaluation and use of recommendation system.

**DEMOGRAPHIC:-** This type of system recommends items based on the demographic profile of the user. The assumption is that different recommendations should be generated for different demographic niches. Many Web sites adopt simple and effective personalization solutions based on demographics.

#### **CONTENT BASED RECOMMENDATION :-**

It focuses on items and user profile in form of weighted lists. Profile are helpful to discover properties of item.

#### **ITEM PROFILE:-**

An actor of drama or movie is taken into consideration as an actor set, few visitors decide on drama or movie with the aid of their favorite actor.

a set of instructors, a few students prefer to be guided by some teachers .

Few domains has common feature for example a college and movie it has students, professor set and actors, directors set respectively. Certain ratio is maintained as many student and few Lecturer in quantity while many actor works under one or two director guidance. Again every college and movie has year wise datasets as movie released in a year by director and actor and college has passing student every year.

#### **REPRESENTING ITEM PROFILE:-**

Some features are numerical for instance we might take the rating for mobile application .

This rating is a actual wide variety like 1,2,3,4 and five stars by some customers of it.

By way of maintaining options of simplest one element like 1 star or five stars will no longer make a experience to get viable average score of an application.

By keeping 5 options in rating a good possible average for rating can be observed without lose of structure implicit in numbers.

Numerical value based rating provides a single component of vector representing in items.

#### **USER PROFILE:-**

Vectors are beneficial to describe items and user's choices. consumer and items relation can be plotted with the assist of utility matrix.

Example:-Consider similar case like before but utility matrix has some non blank entries that are rating 1-5 range. Consider, user U gives responses with average rate of 3 there are three applications (Android OS based games) got ratings of 3,4 and 5. Then user profile of U, the component for application will have value i.e. rated average of 3-3, 4-3 and 5-3 i.e. value of 1.

On other hand, user v gives average rating 4. So user v responses to application are 3,5 and 2.

The user profile for v has in the component for application, the average of 3-4, 5-4 and 2-4 i.e. value -2/3.

#### **RECOMMENDING ITEMS TO USERS BASED ON CONTENT:-**

Between user's vector and item's vector cosine distance can be computed with the help of profile vectors for users and items both.

It's beneficial to estimate degree to which user will prefer as an item. If user's and response vectors cosine angle is large positive fraction. It means angle is close to 0 and hence there is very small cosine distance between vectors.

If user's and response vectors cosine angle is large Negative fraction. It means angle is close to degree of 180 which is maximum possible cosine distance.

### **III.CONCLUSION**

In this paper, we have studied recommender system and its types. In collaborative filtering we have studied recommendation base on demographic whereas in content based filtering we studied user profile, item profile and how to represent item profile. We have also discussed the need of recommender system and how can it be helpful to save customers time. It can be used to increase the revenue of online shopping sites. Hence recommender system has become one of the most powerful technology in e-commerce.

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