

推薦系統中相似度評估的改良

Improvement of similarity assessment in recommendation systems

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摘要

在我們的生活當中，推薦系統成功地運用在許多地方上，像是音樂、電影、書籍等。而也有許多論文不斷地探討找出新的演算法，為了就是要得到更高的準確度。而現在的推薦系統中，非機器學習的方式最被廣泛運用的為協同過濾式(Collaborative Filtering, CF)。而協同過濾的主要方式為透過每一個使用者之間，去尋找出他們之間的相似程度。並且再透過比較相似的使用者的評分，去預測出使用者尚未評分的項目。

而這篇論文當中我們也是使用協同過濾式的推薦系統，我們提出的方法當中主要對於找出使用者之間的相似程度上，將一般常使用的皮爾森相關係數(Pearson's Correlation Coefficient , PCC)[1]的演算法作一些改良。我們將在相似度的計算上面加權了使用者與使用者之間的共同項目去改善平常皮爾森相關係數的缺點。在本篇論文當中所使用的實驗資料來源為 MovieLens[2]的電影資料庫，我們會把我們所提出的方法跟其他的相似度測量方式去做比較。像是 MAE、RMSE 等來比較出我們所提出的方法在準確率以及預測分數的誤差值比其他方法更好。並且會在不同的鄰居數目中去做比較。

關鍵字：推薦系統、協同過濾、評價預測、皮爾森相關係數

Abstract

Recommendation systems have been successfully used in many places, such as music, movies, books, and so on. There are many papers that constantly explore new algorithms, in order to get higher recommendation accuracy. In current recommendation systems, the most widely used non-machine learning method is Collaborative Filtering (CF). The main way of collaborative

filtering is to find out the similarity between every user. And by comparing the ratings of similar users, to predict the score of the items that the user has not yet scored. Then, the difference between the predicted score and the actual score is measured to judge the accuracy of the prediction.

In this paper, we also use collaborative filtering. The method we propose is mainly to find the similarity between users, using the commonly used Pearson's Correlation Coefficient (PCC) with some improvements. We weight common projection between the user and other users on similarity calculation to mend the shortcomings of the Pearson correlation coefficient. The experimental data used in this paper is from MovieLens's film database. We will compare our proposed methods with other similarity measures. The results of the experiments will be compared by the commonly used scoring mechanisms, such as MAE, RMSE, etc., to compare the accuracy of the proposed method with the other methods. And we will compare results with different number of neighbors. We can find that when the number of neighbors is greater than 10, our method will be better than other methods.

1. 前言

隨著現代網際網路越來越發達的狀況下，使用者面對各式各樣的資訊量大增。為了不讓使用者對於資訊過載(Information Overload)的狀況發生，產生了推薦系統(Recommendation System)。推薦系統可以從使用者的興趣、習慣，為使用者過濾出使用者不需要的資訊，並按照使用者的偏好，推薦使用者可能的感興趣的物品，讓使用者找尋相關商品或是服務時有更好的效率。推薦系統目前也應用在很多方面的，像是書籍、電影、音樂、新聞。而在這個資訊發達的世代更是有不少推

另一方面，可以去嘗試結合機器學習的方式，像是透過深度學習的方式去找尋使用者與使用者之間的相連性，又或者是架出一個混合式的架構，像是同時算出使用者以及使用者之間的相似度再加上電影與電影之間的相似度來去做預測，相信對於預測的準確率會再往上提升。

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