Clustering Based Collaborative Filtering (CluBCF) Using HACE Theorem for Big Data

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Abstract - The Big Data is a wider technology that is used to describe massive volume of both structured and unstructured data. It has the potential ability to help companies that are improve operations and make faster, more intelligent decisions for every problem. Recommender Systems (RS) is a concept of providing personalized recommendation from large number of items. Many algorithms are available that are used to provide recommendations using ratings. One of such famous algorithms is collaborative clustering. A CluBCF (Clustering-Based Collaborative Filtering) is a new approach it has a service and its aims at gathering similar services in the same clusters to the recommend services collaboratively. It has two stages. First stage, the services are divided into small-scale cluster and the second stage, a collaborative filtering algorithm is imposed on one of the clusters. On the filtering stage the HACE (Heterogeneous Autonomous Complex Evolving) theorem is to be used. It suggests that the key characteristics of the Big Data are 1) huge with heterogeneous and diverse data sources, 2) autonomous with distributed and decentralized control, and 3) complex and evolving in data and knowledge associations. The HACE theorem is a data-driven model and it involves demand-driven aggregation of information sources, mining and analysis, user interest modeling and security and privacy considerations. At the filtering stage HACE theorem is to be applied for further process.

Keywords— Big Data, CluBCF, HACE Theorem, Recommender Systems (RS)

I. INTRODUCTION

Big Data has emerged as a widely recognized trend, attracting attentions from government, industry and academia. Big Data concerns large-volume, complex, growing data sets with multiple, autonomous sources. Big Data applications where data collection has grown tremendously and is beyond the ability of commonly used software tools to capture, manage, and process. It provide a new means to sense the public interests and generate feedback in real-time and are mostly appealing compared to generic media, such as radio or TV broadcasting.

Public picture sharing site, which received 1.8 million photos per day. On averaging, assuming the site of the each photo is 2MB, this requires 3.6TB storage every day. The most fundamental challenge for the Big Data applications is to explore the large volumes of data and extract useful information or knowledge for future actions. In many situations, the knowledge extraction process has to be very efficient and close to real time because storing all observed data is nearly infeasible. Service users have nowadays encounter unprecedented difficulties in finding ideal ones from the overwhelming services.

Recommender Systems (RSs) are techniques and intelligent applications to assist users in a decision making process where they want to by weighted sum of description similarities and
functionality similarities. Then, services are merged into clusters according to their characteristic similarities.

II. RELATED WORK

Clustering are techniques that can reduce the data sizes by a large factor by grouping similar services together. Therefore, the main objective is ClubCF and HACE theorems are used. ClubCF consists of two stages: clustering and collaborative filtering. Clustering is a preprocessing step to separate Big Data into manageable parts. A cluster contains some similar services just like a club contains some like-minded users. This is another reason besides abbreviation for ClubCF. Since the number of services in a cluster is much less than the total number of services, the computation time of CF algorithm can be reduced significantly. Big Data starts with large-volume, heterogeneous, autonomous sources to explore complex and evolving relationship among data. These characteristics make it an extreme challenge for discovering useful knowledge from the Big Data. Exploring these data in this scenario is equivalent to aggregating heterogeneous information from different sources.

One of the fundamental characteristics of Big Data is the huge volume of data represented by heterogeneous and diverse dimensionalities. This is because different information collectors prefer their own protocols for data recording and the nature of different applications also results in diverse data representations. Autonomous data sources with distributed and decentralized controls are main characteristic of Big Data applications. Being autonomous, each data source is able to generate and collect information without involving any centralized control. This is similar to the WWW setting where each web server is provides a certain amount of information and each server is able to fully function without necessarily relying on other servers. While the volume of the Big Data increases, so do the complexity and relationships underneath the data. In an early stage of data centralized information systems, the focus is on finding best feature values to represent each observation. So the collaborative filtering and clustering approaches are to be evaluated based on the HACE theorem.

In ClubCF approach, the description and functionality information is considered as metadata to measure the characteristic similarities between services. According to such similarities, all services are merged into smaller-size clusters. Then CF algorithm is applied on the services within the same cluster. Compared with the above approaches, this approach does not require extra inputs of users and suits different types of services. RS are the techniques, is used to govern users in a decision making process. The overall RS process is described in the Figure -1. Moreover, the clustering algorithm used in ClubCF need not consider the dependence of nodes. Before applying CF technique, services are merged into some clusters via an AHC algorithm. Then the rating similarities between services within the same cluster are computed. As the number of services in a cluster is much less than that of in the whole system, ClubCF costs less online computation time. Moreover, as the ratings of services in the same cluster are more relevant with each other than with the ones in other clusters, prediction based on the ratings of the services in the same cluster will be more accurate than based on the ratings of all similar or dissimilar services in all clusters.

HACE theorem suggests, that the key characteristics of the Big Data are huge with heterogeneous and diverse data sources, autonomous with distributed and decentralized control and complex and evolving in data and knowledge associations. At the data level, the autonomous information sources and the variety of the data collection environments, often results in data with complicated conditions, such as missing/uncertain values. This requires carefully designed algorithms to analyze model correlations between described sites and fuse decision from multiple sources to gain a best model out of the Big Data.

The main challenges in existing system are,
• Data accessing and arithmetic computing procedures.
• Stored at various locations and data volumes may continuously grow, an effective computing platform will have to take distributed large-scale data storage into considerations for computing.

![Recommender System Diagram](image)

**Figure 1. Recommender Systems**

The traditional CF techniques have two main and major challenges:
1. To make decision within acceptable time.
2. To generate ideal recommendations from so many services.

The characteristics of HACE make it an extreme challenge for discovering useful knowledge from the Big Data. The HACE theorem suggests that the key characteristics of the Big Data are huge with heterogeneous and diverse data sources, autonomous with distributed and decentralized control, and complex and evolving in data and knowledge associations. To support Big Data mining, high-performance computing platforms are required, which impose systematic designs to unleash the full power of the Big Data. A ClubCF, which consists of two stages: clustering and collaborative filtering. Clustering is a preprocessing step to separate Big Data into manageable parts.

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**III. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE**

Big Data applications deals with large number of data sets and it is usually measures in peta bytes. The concept of BigTable is used to store these data. A BigTable is a sparse, distributed, persistent multi dimensional stored map. The map is indexed by a row key, column key and a
timestamp. First step of the work is to design BigTable for storage requirement of CluBCF. In the second step, CluBCF approach is designed and its characteristic similarities between services and are computed by weighted sum of description similarities and functionality similarities. Then the services are merged into clusters according to their characteristic similarities. Further, an item-based CF algorithm is applied within the cluster that the target service belongs to. The final step several experiments are conducted on a real dataset extracted from Amazon (https://aws.amazon.com/datasets).

Although the definitions of service are distinct and application-specific, they have common elements which mainly include service descriptions and service functionalities. In addition, rating is an important user activity that reflects their opinions on services. Especially in application of service recommendation, service rating is an important element. As more and more services are emerging on the Internet, such huge volume of service-relevant elements are generated and distributed across the network, which cannot be effectively accessed by traditional database management system. Bigtable is a distributed storage system of Google for managing structured data that is designed to scale to a very large size across thousands of commodity servers. A Bigtable is a sparse, distributed, persistent multi-dimensional sorted map. The map is indexed by a row key, column key, and a timestamp; each value in the map is a uninterpreted array of bytes. Column keys are grouped into sets called column families, which form the basic unit of access control. A column key is named using the following syntax: family, qualifier, where, family refers to column family and qualifier refers to column key. Each cell in a Bigtable can contain multiple versions of the same data which are indexed by timestamp. Different versions of a cell are stored in decreasing timestamp. With this assumption, a ClubCF approach for Big Data application is presented, which aims at recommending services from overwhelming candidates within an acceptable time. Technically, ClubCF focuses on two interdependable stages, i.e., clustering stage and collaborative filtering stage. In the first stage, services are clustered according to their characteristic similarities. In the second stage, a collaborative filtering algorithm is applied within a cluster that a target service belongs to.

ROOT WORDS

Different developers may use different-form words to describe similar services. Using these words directly may influence the measurement of description similarity. Therefore, description words should be uniformed before further usage. In fact, morphological similar words are clubbed together under the assumption that they are also semantically similar. For example, “map”, “maps” and “mapping” are forms of the equivalent lexeme, with “map” as the morphological root form. To transform variant word forms to their common root called stem.

HACE THEOREM

Big Data starts with large volume, heterogeneous, autonomous sources with distributed and decentralized control and seeks to explore complex and evolving relationships among data. These are characteristics of Big Data. The basic characteristics of BigData are huge volume of data with heterogeneous and diverse dimensionality. The basic functionality of HACE theorem is described below in Figure 2.

CALCULATE DESCRIPTION AND FUNCTIONAL SIMILARITY

Description similarity and functionality similarity are both computed by JSC which is a statistical measure of similarity between samples sets. For two sets, JSC is defined as the cardinality of their intersection divided by the cardinality of their union.

CLUSTER SERVICES
Clustering is a critical step. Clustering methods partition a set of objects into clusters such that objects in the same cluster are more similar to each other than objects in different clusters according to some defined criteria. Generally, cluster analysis algorithms have been utilized where the huge data are stored. Clustering algorithms can be either hierarchical or partitional. Some standard partitional approaches suffer from several limitations: 1) results depend strongly on the choice of number of clusters $K$, and the correct value of $K$ is initially unknown; 2) cluster size is not monitored during execution of the $K$-means algorithm, some clusters may become empty, and this will cause premature termination of the algorithm; 3) algorithms converge to a local minimum. Hierarchical clustering methods can be further classified into agglomerative or divisive, depending on whether the clustering hierarchy is formed in a bottom-up or top-down fashion. Many current state-of-the-art clustering systems exploit agglomerative hierarchical clustering as their clustering strategy, due to its simple processing structure and acceptable level of performance.

![Diagram of Clustering Process](image)

**Figure 2. HACE Theorem functionality**

IV. SCOPE OF THE PAPER

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**Data Collection**

Big Data is a wider term that is used to describe the massive growth and availability of data, both structured and unstructured. And Big Data may be as important to business, society and the Internet. Big Data is an all-encompassing term for any collection of data sets so large and complex that it becomes difficult to process using traditional data processing applications. Big Data usually includes data sets with sizes beyond the ability of commonly used software tools to capture, curate, manage, and process data within a tolerable elapsed time.

**Data Initial Processing**

The query submitted by the user contains parts of speech and special characters which are not required for analysis as they do not truly reflect the relevance of a search result. If this query is used for analysis, it may give inconsistent and inaccurate results. Therefore, the user query will be pre-processed to identify the root words.

**Agglomerative based Clustering**

Agglomerative Hierarchical Clustering to cluster the pseudo – documents. Name of the algorithm refers to its way of working, as it creates hierarchical results in an "agglomerative" or "bottom-up" way, i.e. by merging smaller groups into larger ones. Algorithm takes as input a matrix of pair wise similarities between objects. In case of documents this matrix is created by calculating all pair wise similarities between documents using cosine similarity. It returns a binary tree of clusters, called dendrogram. Clustering is a preprocessing step to separate Big Data into manageable parts.

**Clustering based Collaborative Filtering**

Collaborative filtering (CF) is a technique. Collaborative filtering is a method of making automatic predictions. All services are stored in a table which is called service table. The corresponding elements will be drawn from service table during the process of CF.

**Advanced Search**

The search proceeds by generating and testing each node that is reachable from a parent node before it expands any of these children. Exhaustive systematic search is referred to a breadth-first search. The system retrieves the stored records into memory. And find that the fastest method is loading all data (about 320 MB) at once with one SQL query, instead of fetching one by one.

**Item or User Rating**

The system upgrades the search results which include the emphasized term or sentence. The system rating the search results according to the user intention and shows the rating results to the user.

**V. CONCLUSION**

Driven by real-world applications and key industrial stakeholders and initialized by national funding agencies, managing and mining Big Data have shown to be a challenging yet compelling...
task. While the term Big Data literally concerns about data volumes, a ClubCF approach using HACE theorem for Big Data applications and relevant services. Before applying CF technique, services are merged into some clusters via an AHC algorithm. Then the rating similarities between services within the same cluster are computed. As the number of services in a cluster is much less than that of in the whole system, ClubCF costs less online computation time. Moreover, as the ratings of services in the same cluster are more relevant with each other than with the ones in other clusters, prediction based on the ratings of the services in the same cluster will be more accurate than based on the ratings of all similar or dissimilar services in all clusters. These two advantageous of ClubCF and HACE have been verified by experiments on real-world data set. To explore Big Data, challenges are analyzed, model and system level. To support Big Data mining, high-performance computing platforms are required, which impose systematic designs to unleash the full power of the Big Data.

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