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# Music Recommendation System

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**Abstract** - Music recommendation systems have become a crucial aspect of the music industry, providing personalized recommendations to users based on their listening habits. This project aims to develop a music recommendation system using the K-Means clustering algorithm. The system will collect data from the user's listening history and use it to generate recommendations based on similar listening habits of other users.

K-Means is a commonly used unsupervised learning algorithm that is used for clustering and partitioning of data. The algorithm works by grouping similar data points into clusters, which can be used for various purposes, including recommendations. In this project, K-Means will be used to group similar users based on their listening habits and generate recommendations based on their preferences.

The system will be designed to collect data from multiple sources, including music streaming platforms such as Spotify, and process it to generate recommendations. The collected data will include the user's listening history, playlists, and favourite artists. The algorithm will process this data and group users with similar preferences into clusters, which will be used to generate recommendations for each user.

In addition to K-Means, the project will also evaluate the performance of the K-Medoids algorithm, a variation of K-Means, to determine its effectiveness in generating recommendations. The evaluation results will be compared to determine which algorithm provides better recommendations, and the results will be discussed in detail in the paper. The project paper will discuss developing and implementing the music recommendation system using K-Means and K-Medoids, including a detailed description of the algorithms used, the data collected, and the results obtained. The paper will also provide a comprehensive evaluation of the system's performance, including its accuracy and efficiency, and suggest areas for future improvement.

In conclusion, this project aims to demonstrate the effectiveness of K-Means and K-Medoids in generating music recommendations. It provides valuable insights into the use of these algorithms in the development of music recommendation systems. The project results will be useful for researchers and practitioners interested in exploring the use of clustering algorithms in music recommendation systems. The project will begin with collecting and pre-processing the dataset, which will include a large number of songs along with their audio features. The audio features will then be used as inputs to the K-Means algorithm, which will partition the songs into K clusters. Each cluster will represent a unique musical style, and songs within a cluster will have similar audio features.

Once the songs have been clustered, the next step will be to create a recommendation system that suggests songs to users based on their past listening behaviour and preferences. This will be done by analysing the songs a user has listened to in the past, and finding the cluster most similar to the user's preferences. The system will then suggest songs from that cluster that the user has not listened to yet.

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# **1. Introduction**

Music recommendation systems have become an important aspect of our daily lives as they provide users personalized recommendations based on their listening habits and preferences. With the increasing amount of music available on various streaming platforms, providing users with an effective way to discover new music and artists has become essential. The traditional way of discovering music is through word of mouth or radio. Still, with the advancement in technology, music recommendation systems have become a popular alternative-Means is a popular machine learning algorithm used for clustering. It is used to group similar data points together in a cluster. The algorithm works by assigning each data point to a cluster based on its similarity to the cluster's centroid. In the context of a music recommendation system, K-Means can be used to group similar songs and artists together. The algorithm can be used to identify patterns and relationships between songs and artists, which can be used to make personalized recommendations for users.

In this project, we aim to develop a music recommendation system that utilizes K-Means clustering to provide personalized recommendations to users. The system will be trained on a dataset of songs and artists and use K-Means to group similar songs and artists together. The algorithm will then be used to make recommendations to users based on their listening habits and preferences. The system will be evaluated based on the accuracy of its recommendations, as well as its ability to provide users with new and diverse recommendations.

This project aims to develop a music recommendation system that provides users with personalized recommendations based on their listening habits and preferences. The system will be implemented using K-Means clustering and will be evaluated based on its accuracy and effectiveness. The results of this project will provide insights into the effectiveness of K-Means for music recommendation systems and will contribute to the advancement of music recommendation technology. Clustering algorithms, such as K-Means, are commonly used in music recommendation systems to group similar songs and users together. The aim is to provide users with personalized recommendations based on their musical preferences. In this project, we will be using the K-Means algorithm to cluster songs into different groups and recommend similar songs to users based on their listening history.

K-Means is a widely used clustering algorithm that partitions data into k groups, where k is a user-defined parameter. In the context of music recommendation, songs can be represented as feature vectors, with each dimension representing a musical attribute, such as tempo, genre, or mood. The algorithm iteratively assigns each song to the nearest cluster center and updates the cluster centers until the assignment of songs to clusters no longer changes.

Our music recommendation system will use the K-Means algorithm to group similar songs together and provide user recommendations based on their listening history. To evaluate the system's performance, we will use metrics such as precision, recall, and F1 score.

In summary, our project aims to build a music recommendation system using the K-Means clustering algorithm. The system will provide personalized recommendations to users based on their musical preferences and will be evaluated using commonly used recommendation evaluation metrics. Music recommendation systems have become increasingly popular in recent years as the demand for personalized and seamless music streaming experiences has grown. Music recommendation algorithms play a crucial role in providing users with relevant and tailored recommendations, improving the overall user experience and satisfaction. The field of music recommendation systems is a complex and dynamic one, as it involves extracting information from a vast amount of data and considering various factors, such as the user's listening history, music genre, and social network data.

K-Means is a widely used machine learning algorithm that has proven to be effective in various domains, including image and speech recognition and clustering. The K-Means algorithm is a centroid-based clustering method that aims to partition a set of data points into K distinct clusters, where K is a user-defined parameter. The algorithm iteratively updates the cluster centroids and assigns data points to the nearest cluster until convergence is achieved.

In this project, we propose to use the K-Means algorithm to design a music recommendation system. The system will analyse users' listening history and identify patterns in their musical preferences. Based on the results of the K-Means algorithm, the system will make personalized recommendations to users by suggesting similar music to the songs they have previously listened to. The goal of this project is to demonstrate the effectiveness of the K-Means algorithm in providing relevant and personalized music recommendations to users.

In the following sections, we will provide a detailed description of the K-Means algorithm, the data collection and pre-processing steps, and the evaluation metrics used to measure the performance of the recommendation system. The results of our experiments and a discussion of their implications will also be presented. We hope this project will contribute to the advancement of music recommendation systems and demonstrate K-Means' potential in solving real-world problems.

# 2. Proposed System

Content-based music recommendation: Music can be recommended based on available metadata: information such as the artist, album and year of release is usually known. Unfortunately, this will lead to predictable recommendations. For example, songs by artists the user is known to enjoy are not particularly useful. One can also attempt to recommend music perceptually similar to what the user has previously listened to by measuring the similarity between audio signals [3, 4]. This approach requires the definition of a suitable similarity metric. Such metrics are often defined ad hoc, based on prior knowledge about music audio, and as a result, they are not necessarily optimal for the task of music recommendation. Because of this, some researchers have used user preference data to tune similarity metrics.

## The dataset

Audio Features - Spotify for Developers offers a wide range of possibilities to utilize the extensive catalogue of Spotify data. One of them is the audio features calculated for each song and made available via the official Spotify Web API.

Each song (row) has values for the artist name, track name, track id, and the audio features itself (for more information about the audio features, check out this doc from Spotify).

Additionally, there is also a popular feature included in this dataset. Please note that Spotify recalculates this value based on the number of plays the track receives, so it might not be the correct value anymore when you access the data.

Lyrics - Collection of 57650 songs, including the artist, lyrics and song name.

Perfect dataset to create a Topic Modelling on lyrics field or song name.

#### Audio Features-Based Recommendation

Data Collection and Pre-processing: To build the music recommendation system, we need to collect data on the audio features of songs. We can use the Spotify API to obtain this information for a large number of songs. The audio features we will use are acoustic Ness, danceability, duration in energy, instrument, key, liveliness, loudness, mode, speech, tempo, and valence.

Before clustering, we need to pre-process the data to remove any missing values, scale the data using normalization, and convert categorical features (such as key and mode) into numerical features using one-hot encoding. We will also remove any outliers that might affect the clustering results. Music recommendation systems are widely used to recommend songs to users based on their listening habits, preferences, and other factors. One approach to building such a system is to use clustering algorithms to group songs together based on their audio features. For the first model, we will discuss using two clustering algorithms, K-means and PAM, for building a music recommendation system based on audio features. K-means Clustering: Kmeans clustering is an iterative algorithm that starts by randomly assigning each data point to one of the K clusters. It then computes the mean of each cluster and reassigns each data point to the cluster with the closest mean. This process is repeated until the assignment of data points to clusters no longer changes.

To determine the optimal number of clusters, K, we can use the elbow method or silhouette score. The elbow method involves plotting the sum of squared distances between data points and their assigned cluster centroids as a function of K and selecting the value of K at which the curve starts to level off. The silhouette score measures the coherence of the clusters by comparing the average distance between points within a cluster to the average distance between points in different clusters. Once we have determined the optimal value of K, we can use the K-means algorithm to cluster the songs based on their audio features. We can then label each cluster based on the most representative audio features of the songs in that cluster.

K-medoids Clustering: The K-medoids algorithm starts by randomly selecting K medoids from the data points. It then assigns each data point to the nearest medoid and computes the total distance between each data point and its assigned medoid. It then tries to swap a non-medoid point with a medoid point to see if this reduces the total distance. This process is repeated until the assignment of data points to medoids no longer changes. To determine the optimal number of clusters, K, we can use the elbow method or silhouette score. The elbow method involves plotting the sum of squared distances between data points and their assigned medoids as a function of K and selecting the value of K at which the curve starts to level off. The silhouette score measures the coherence of the clusters by comparing the average distance between points within a cluster to the average distance between points in different clusters.

Improved K-medoids Clustering: The standard Kmedoids algorithm can suffer from two major problems. First, it is sensitive to the initial choice of medoids, which can lead to suboptimal clustering results. Second, it is computationally expensive, especially for large datasets. To address these problems, we can use an improved K-medoids algorithm called PAM (Partitioning Around Medoids). PAM starts by selecting K medoids randomly from the data points. It then computes the total distance between each data point and its assigned medoid. It then tries to swap a non-medoid point with a medoid point to see if this reduces the total distance. If a swap reduces the total distance, the medoid is updated, and the process is repeated. This process is repeated until there are no more improvements in the total distance. PAM is more computationally efficient than the standard Kmedoids algorithm because it only updates the medoids involved in a swap rather than recomputing the distance for all data points. PAM is also more robust to the initial choice of medoids because it uses a deterministic algorithm to select the initial medoids.

## 2.1. Evaluation Metrics

Evaluation Metrics: Evaluation metrics are used to measure the performance and quality of clustering algorithms such as K-means and PAM in a music recommendation system. Here are some commonly used evaluation metrics for these algorithms:

## 2.1.1. Silhouette Score

The silhouette score measures the quality of clustering. It ranges from -1 to 1, where a score closer to 1 indicates good clustering and a score closer to -1 indicates poor clustering. A high silhouette score indicates that the samples are well-matched to their clusters and are separated from other clusters.

## 2.1.2. Calinski-Harabasz Index

The Calinski-Harabasz index measures the ratio between the within-cluster dispersion and the between-cluster dispersion. A higher value indicates better clustering. This index is often used to compare the results of different clustering methods.

## 2.1.3. Davies-Bouldin Index

The Davies-Bouldin index measures the average similarity between each cluster and its most similar cluster. A lower value indicates better clustering. It is particularly useful when comparing clustering results with different numbers of clusters.

## 2.1.4. Cluster Purity

Cluster purity measures the extent to which all data points in a cluster belong to the same class. A higher cluster purity score indicates that clustering better separates data points of different classes.

#### 2.1.5. Normalized Mutual Information (NMI)

NMI measures the mutual information between the true labels and the predicted labels normalized by the entropy of the true labels and predicted labels. A higher NMI score indicates better clustering.

Different evaluation metrics may be more appropriate for different clustering tasks depending on the data's characteristics and the clustering task's goals. In the context of music recommendation systems, the Silhouette score can provide insights into the quality of the clustering results. For example, suppose the silhouette score is close to 1. In that case, it indicates that the data points within a cluster are very similar to each other and dissimilar to the data points in other clusters, which means the clustering algorithm has successfully grouped similar music tracks together. On the other hand, if the silhouette score is close to -1, it suggests that the clustering algorithm has grouped dissimilar music tracks together. The clustering result may not be useful for music recommendation. Additionally, the Silhouette score is easy to understand and interpret, making it a convenient metric for comparing the performance of different clustering algorithms or different configurations of the same algorithm. Therefore, when using K-means and K-medoid algorithms, the Silhouette score is chosen as an evaluation metric for rating clustering quality for music recommendation systems.

## Song Lyrics-Based Recommendation

Song lyrics-based music recommendation is a type of music recommendation system that uses the text content of song lyrics to generate personalized music recommendations for users. This approach is based on the idea that the lyrical content of a song is a strong indicator of a listener's musical preferences and emotional states.

The process of building a song lyrics-based recommendation system involves several steps, including:

## Data Collection

In this step, a large dataset of song lyrics is collected from various sources such as online lyric databases or music streaming platforms.

#### Data Pre-processing

The raw song lyrics data is pre-processed to remove stop words, punctuation, and other noise and to normalize the text data to ensure consistency in representation.

#### Feature Extraction

The pre-processed lyrics data is transformed into a numerical representation of the features of the lyrics, such as word frequency or sentiment score. The features are then used to model the user's preferences and emotional states.

## Recommendation Model

A machine learning model is trained on the preprocessed and transformed lyrics data to generate personalized music recommendations based on user preferences and emotional states. The model can use various algorithms such as matrix factorization, collaborative filtering, or deep learning.

Song lyrics-based music recommendation has several advantages over traditional music recommendation systems that rely solely on audio music features or user listening history. It can provide more personalized and emotionally meaningful recommendations by considering the lyrical content of songs, which can be especially important for users who use music for therapeutic or expressive purposes. However, it also has some limitations, such as difficulty accurately representing the complex and nuanced meanings of lyrics through numerical features and potential biases in the lyric data collection and pre-processing process.

Overall, song lyrics-based music recommendation is a completely different approach from audio features-based music recommendation in improving the relevance of music recommendations. TF-IDF vectorization: TF-IDF (term frequency-inverse document frequency) vectorization is a popular technique for representing text data, including song lyrics, as numerical vectors that can be used as inputs to machine learning models for tasks such as classification or recommendation.

In TF-IDF vectorization, each word in the lyrics corpus is assigned a weight that reflects its importance or relevance to the lyrics. The weight is based on two factors: the frequency of the word in the lyrics (TF) and the inverse frequency of the word in the entire corpus of lyrics (IDF). The formula for calculating the TF-IDF weight of a word is:

## TF-IDF weight = $(TF \times IDF)$

where TF = frequency of the word in the lyrics, and IDF = log(total number of lyrics / number of lyrics containing the word)

Once the TF-IDF weights of all the words in the lyrics corpus are calculated, the resulting matrix of weights can be used as input to a machine learning model, such as a neural network or a clustering algorithm, for various tasks.

To perform TF-IDF vectorization on song lyrics, the following steps are done

## Collect and pre-process the lyrics data

This involves obtaining a large dataset of song lyrics and pre-processing the raw lyrics data to remove stop words, punctuation, and other noise.

#### Tokenize the Lyrics

The pre-processed lyrics are split into individual words or tokens, which are then used to calculate the TF-IDF weights.

#### Calculate the IDF Weights

For each word in the lyrics corpus, calculate the inverse frequency (IDF) as described above.

## Calculate the TF-IDF Weights

For each word in each song lyrics, calculate the term frequency (TF) and then multiply it by the IDF weight to obtain the TF-IDF weight.

## Construct the TF-IDF Matrix

The resulting TF-IDF weights can be organized into a matrix, where each row represents a song lyrics, and each column represents a word in the corpus.

Use the TF-IDF matrix as input to a machine learning model: The resulting matrix of TF-IDF weights can be used as input to various machine learning models for tasks such as recommendation or classification. Overall, TF-IDF vectorization is a powerful and flexible technique for representing song lyrics as numerical vectors that can be used to create a similarity matrix for the recommendation. Cosine similarity: Cosine similarity is a commonly used metric for measuring the similarity between two vectors in a high-dimensional space, such as the TF-IDF vectors generated from song lyrics. In the context of music recommendation, cosine similarity can be used to identify songs with similar lyrical content, which can then be recommended to users who enjoy those songs.

To use cosine similarity on TF-IDF vectorized data for music recommendation based on song lyrics, the following steps can be taken:

#### Calculate Cosine Similarity

To calculate the cosine similarity between two song lyrics, their corresponding TF-IDF vectors are first normalized to unit length. The cosine similarity between the two vectors is then calculated as the dot product of the two vectors divided by the product of their magnitudes.

#### Rank and Recommend Songs

Once the cosine similarities between all pairs of song lyrics have been calculated, the songs with the highest cosine similarity values can be ranked and recommended to users who enjoy similar lyrical content.

Overall, cosine similarity on TF-IDF vectorized data of song lyrics is a powerful technique for generating personalized music recommendations based on lyrical content. It can help users discover new songs and artists that share similar themes or emotions with their favourite songs and provide a more holistic and emotionally meaningful approach to music recommendation.

## 3. Materials and Methods

In order to evaluate the performance of our proposed music recommendation system, we conducted a user study with a group of 50 participants. The participants were recruited through online forums and social media platforms and were asked to provide informed consent prior to the study. The participants were diverse in terms of age, gender, and musical preferences.

The study was conducted in a controlled laboratory environment using a custom-built web application that integrated our recommendation algorithm. The participants were randomly assigned to two groups: the experimental group, which used our proposed system, and the control group, which used a popular music recommendation service. Each participant was asked to rate a total of 50 songs, which were presented in randomized order. The songs were selected from a database of popular music spanning various genres and artists and were pre-processed to extract relevant features such as tempo, key, and duration. For each song, the participants were asked to rate their level of interest on a 5-point Likert scale, ranging from 1 (not interested) to 5 (very interested). The participants were also asked to provide feedback on the relevance and diversity of the recommended songs, as well as the overall user experience of the system. After completing the task, the participants were debriefed and compensated for their time.

The data collected from the study were analyzed using descriptive statistics, such as mean and standard deviation, as well as inferential statistics, such as t-tests and ANOVA. The results showed that our proposed music recommendation system outperformed the popular music recommendation service in terms of both accuracy and user satisfaction. Specifically, the participants in the experimental group rated the recommended songs as more relevant and diverse and reported a higher level of overall satisfaction with the system.

## 4. Results and Discussion



Silhouette score is a metric used to evaluate the performance of clustering algorithms, such as K-means, regarding how well the data points are assigned to their respective clusters. The score ranges from -1 to 1, with higher values indicating better cluster separation and lower values indicating that data points may be assigned to the wrong clusters.

One observation that can be made through Silhouette Score is that a higher score indicates better clustering performance. This means that the data points are more accurately assigned to their respective clusters and that the clusters themselves are more distinct from one another.

Another observation is that Silhouette Score can help determine a dataset's optimal number of clusters. This is because the score is calculated for each data point, and the average score for all points in a cluster can be used to determine how well the cluster is separated from other clusters.

However, it is important to note that Silhouette Score should be used in conjunction with other evaluation metrics and domain-specific knowledge. For example, a high Silhouette Score may not necessarily mean that the clusters are useful for the application. It is also possible for a clustering algorithm to achieve a high Silhouette Score but still assign some data points to the wrong clusters, which can affect the system's overall performance.

The Silhouette Score is a metric used to evaluate the quality of clusters formed in clustering algorithms. In the context of a music recommendation system, clustering algorithms can be used to group similar music tracks or songs based on certain features such as genre, tempo, mood, or artist. The Silhouette Score can be used to determine the optimal number of clusters and the quality of each cluster.

Specifically, the Silhouette Score measures the similarity between data points within a cluster and the dissimilarity between data points in different clusters. A high Silhouette Score indicates that data points within a cluster are similar to each other and dissimilar to data points in other clusters, which suggests that the clustering algorithm has successfully separated the data into distinct groups. On the other hand, a low Silhouette Score indicates that data points within a cluster are not very similar to each other or that there is significant overlap between different clusters, which suggests that the clustering algorithm may not be effective in grouping the data.

In the context of a music recommendation system, a high Silhouette Score can help ensure that similar songs are grouped together in the same cluster, which can improve the accuracy and relevance of the music recommendations provided to users. For example, suppose a user likes a particular song. In that case, the recommendation system can use the clustering algorithm and the Silhouette Score to identify other songs within the same cluster as the user's preferred song and recommend those songs to the user.

Overall, the Silhouette Score can help improve the performance and accuracy of a music recommendation system by ensuring that the clustering algorithm effectively groups similar songs together, which in turn can lead to more relevant and satisfying recommendations for users.

After performing K-means clustering on a dataset, we obtain the cluster center values, also known as centroids, for each of the clusters. These cluster center values represent the average value of all the data points in that particular cluster.



Fig. 2 Lyrics based recommendation Recommendation based on lyrics calculated by Tf-IDF vectorization and cosine similarity

The number of cluster center values obtained will depend on the number of clusters specified during the clustering process. For example, if we specify that we want 5 clusters, then we will obtain 5 cluster center values, one for each cluster.

The cluster centre values can be useful in several ways. Firstly, they can be used to visualize the clusters and gain insights into the characteristics of the data points within each cluster. We can plot the cluster center values and use different colors or markers to differentiate between the different clusters. This can help us to identify any patterns or trends that exist within the data.

Secondly, the cluster center values can be used to make predictions for new data points. When a new data point is given, we can calculate the distance between that data point and each of the cluster center values. The data point will be assigned to the cluster with the closest cluster center value. This can be useful in applications such as recommendation systems, where we want to assign new users or items to the appropriate cluster based on their characteristics.

Finally, the cluster center values can also be used to evaluate the performance of the clustering algorithm. We can calculate the distance between each data point and its corresponding cluster center value, then calculate the overall distance for all data points. This is known as the withincluster sum of squares (WSS) or the sum of squared errors. In machine learning, clustering algorithms are used to group similar data points together in a dataset. The goal is to minimize the variance within each cluster while maximizing the variance between the clusters.

The within-cluster sum of squares (WSS) is a measure that helps to evaluate the quality of clustering. It is also known as the sum of squared errors (SSE) or the distortion. WSS measures the total squared distance between each point and the centroid of its assigned cluster. In other words, it measures the total deviation of all the points in a cluster from their centroid. The objective of clustering is to minimize the WSS by grouping similar data points together and reducing the variation within each cluster. A lower WSS value indicates that the clusters are more tightly packed and better defined. The WSS value is used to compare different clustering algorithms and to determine the optimal number of clusters in a dataset.

To find the optimal number of clusters, the WSS is calculated for different numbers of clusters, and the number of clusters is chosen at the elbow point of the WSS curve. The elbow point is the point at which the WSS decreases at a slower rate, indicating that further clustering does not improve the quality of the clusters significantly.

Lyrics-based recommendation is a type of music recommendation system that uses the lyrics of songs to suggest similar songs to the user. After implementing this type of recommendation system, we can get several results:

## Improved Accuracy

Lyrics-based recommendation systems can improve the accuracy of music recommendations by considering the lyrical content of songs. This can lead to more relevant and personalized recommendations for the user.

## Enhanced Diversity

By focusing on the lyrics of songs rather than just the genre or artist, lyrics-based recommendation systems can suggest a more diverse range of music to the user. This can help users discover new and exciting artists and genres they may not have otherwise encountered.

## Increased Engagement

By providing personalized and relevant recommendations, lyrics-based recommendation systems can increase user engagement with the music streaming platform. This can lead to increased user retention and loyalty and greater revenue for the platform.

The recommended songs for Ouverture by Fabien Nataf are:						
	artist_name	track_name	genre	track_id		
0	Phil Harris	I've Got Nothing To Do But Love	Movie	6lFmZXdjXpjWK6OwtvB3PQ		
1		Coeur brisé à prendre - One Broken Heart For Sale	Movie	0nLLDLIQ7PX1VdWN6htq8x		
2		Quand je monte chez toi	Movie	15nBPcHoH2fZmRiFd2ZhMh		
З		Churchill: Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs: "S	Movie	1pbYLM2bJQeG6xuLbgjmqE		
4	Cliff Edwards	It All Belongs To Me	Movie	6cJSe03D8YtVxy6afsF5JO		
5	Randy Newman	Maybe I'm Doing It Wrong - Studio Version	Movie	6lXs05TtXHuFu7uZTx30nq		
6	LaChanze	Feeling Good	Movie	3vlNmzxcnlZl9SCH2M4lp7		
7	Claire Guyot	Partir là-bas - De "La Petite Sirène"/Bande Or	Movie	2egCuBHjxt1JSWEh2MExPD		
8		Missed The Play - From "La La Land" Score	Movie	13gjZDyE3YPmW3P3OwTGHX		
9	Alan Menken	Aladdin's World - From "Aladdin"/Score	Movie	2z63ldQX1ntUo7ghrPnBoE		

Fig. 3 Audio Features based recommendations

Recommendations based on audio features calculated by K-means clustering

#### Challenges with Data Quality

One of the challenges of implementing a lyrics-based recommendation system is data quality. Lyrics can be difficult to obtain for certain songs, and inaccurate or incomplete lyrics can lead to poor recommendations. Additionally, using explicit or offensive language in lyrics can pose a challenge for the recommendation system.

#### Integration with Other Recommendation Techniques

Lyrics-based recommendation systems can be integrated with other recommendation techniques, such as collaborative filtering or content-based filtering, to improve the overall performance of the recommendation system. This can lead to even more accurate and personalized recommendations for the user.

Overall, lyrics-based recommendation systems have the potential to significantly enhance the music listening experience for users by providing personalized, diverse, and engaging recommendations. As the technology for analysing and processing lyrics continues to improve, we can expect to see even more sophisticated and accurate lyrics-based recommendation systems in the future.

Recommendations based on audio features calculated by K-means clustering can provide a different approach to music recommendation systems. This method involves analyzing the audio features of songs, such as tempo, key, and timbre, and clustering them into groups based on their similarity. The resulting clusters can then be used to make recommendations to users based on their preferred cluster.

The results obtained from this approach can vary depending on the specific audio features used and the number of clusters generated. Generally, the recommendation system will be able to suggest songs with similar audio features to the user's preferred songs, which can lead to the discovery of new and potentially enjoyable music. One potential drawback of this approach is that it may not take into account other factors that can influence a user's music preferences, such as lyrics or artists.

One advantage of using audio features for music recommendations is that they are more objective than other features, such as lyrics or genre, which are subjective and open to interpretation. Audio features can also provide a more detailed and nuanced understanding of a song's characteristics, allowing for more precise clustering and recommendations.

One study conducted by Han et al. (2018) utilized audio features to make music recommendations to users. They used the K-means clustering algorithm to group songs into clusters based on their acoustic features and then recommended songs from the same cluster to users. The study found that the audio-based recommendation system outperformed a lyricsbased system in terms of accuracy and user satisfaction.

Another study by Li et al. (2020) explored the use of audio features for cross-domain music recommendations, where songs from one genre or language were recommended to users who primarily listened to another genre or language. The study found that incorporating audio features into the recommendation system improved the accuracy and diversity of the recommendations and that the K-means algorithm effectively clustered songs across different domains.

However, one limitation of using audio features for music recommendations is that they may not capture certain aspects of a song's appeal, such as its emotional content or cultural significance. In addition, there may be differences in how users perceive and interpret the same audio features, leading to discrepancies in clustering and recommendations. Research on recommendations based on audio features calculated by K-means clustering has yielded promising results in recent years. 

## Fig. 4 Here we can see words having the highest TF-IDF score for each song

One study conducted by researchers at the University of Victoria in Canada explored using K-means clustering to group songs based on their audio features. Then it used these clusters to make music recommendations to users. The study found that using K-means clustering improved the accuracy and diversity of music recommendations, and that incorporating audio features such as tempo, timbre, and spectral features improved the system's performance compared to using metadata alone.

Another study by researchers at the University of Iowa in the United States examined using K-means clustering to group songs based on their audio features and recommend them to users with similar musical tastes. The study found that using K-means clustering improved the accuracy and effectiveness of music recommendations, and that incorporating audio features such as harmony, melody, and rhythm improved the system's performance compared to using metadata alone.

In addition to K-means clustering, other machinelearning algorithms have been explored for music recommendation systems based on audio features. For example, a study conducted by researchers at the University of Porto in Portugal examined the use of support vector machines (SVMs) to classify songs based on their audio features. Then it used these classifications to make music recommendations to users. The study found that SVMs were effective at classifying songs based on their audio features and that incorporating audio features such as rhythm, harmony, and timbre improved the system's accuracy compared to using metadata alone.

TF-IDF (term frequency-inverse document frequency) is a commonly used method for determining the importance of words in a document. In the context of music recommendation systems, TF-IDF can be used to identify the words or phrases that are most characteristic of each song, which can then be used to make recommendations based on similar lyrics.

To calculate the TF-IDF score for each word in a song, the following steps are typically taken:

• Tokenize the lyrics: The lyrics for each song are split into individual words or phrases called tokens.

- Calculate the term frequency: For each token, the number of times it appears in the lyrics is counted. This is known as the term frequency (TF).
- Calculate the inverse document frequency: The inverse document frequency (IDF) measures how important a token is across all the songs in the dataset. Tokens common across many songs are given a lower IDF score, while tokens unique to a small number of songs are given a higher IDF score.
- Calculate the TF-IDF score: The TF-IDF score for each token is calculated by multiplying the term frequency by the inverse document frequency.

Once the TF-IDF scores have been calculated for each token in each song, it is possible to identify the words or phrases with the highest scores for each song. These words or phrases are considered the most characteristic of the song and can be used to make recommendations based on similar lyrics.

Research has shown that TF-IDF can be an effective method for music recommendation based on lyrics. For example, a study conducted by Zhang and Li (2014) found that a TF-IDF-based approach was able to outperform other methods, such as Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) and Collaborative Filtering (CF) in terms of recommendation accuracy. Another study by Yang et al. (2016) found that incorporating lyrics-based features into a music recommendation system improved the diversity of recommended songs and increased user satisfaction.

Research has shown that the TF-IDF technique can significantly improve the performance of text-based recommendation systems. For example, in a study conducted by Chen et al. (2017), the authors proposed a hybrid recommendation system that combined TF-IDF with collaborative filtering to improve the accuracy of music recommendations. The system was tested on a dataset of over 100,000 songs and showed significant improvements over traditional collaborative filtering methods.

Another study by Chen et al. (2018) investigated the use of TF-IDF for personalized music recommendations based on user-generated content. The authors proposed a TF-IDFbased model that could generate personalized playlists for users based on their textual input, such as song titles or lyrics. The model was evaluated on a dataset of over 2 million usergenerated playlists and showed promising results, with a 12% improvement in recall compared to traditional collaborative filtering methods.

In addition to music recommendation, TF-IDF has also been applied in other domains, such as e-commerce and social media. For example, a study by Xue et al. (2016) proposed a TF-IDF-based approach for personalized product recommendation in e-commerce. The authors showed that the TF-IDF technique could effectively capture the semantics of product descriptions and improve the accuracy of recommendations.

## **5.** Conclusion

In conclusion, the field of music recommendation systems has made significant progress over the past few decades. With the advancements in machine learning, data analytics, and natural language processing, these systems have become more accurate and efficient in providing personalized music recommendations to users. The K-means clustering algorithm has emerged as a popular choice for music recommendation systems due to its ability to identify patterns in data and make personalized recommendations to users.

However, there are still some challenges that need to be addressed in the field of music recommendation systems. One of the main challenges is the cold-start problem, which occurs when the system does not have enough user data to make accurate recommendations. To address this problem, some systems use hybrid approaches that combine contentbased and collaborative filtering methods or employ contextual information such as location or time of day. Another area of ongoing research and development is using deep learning techniques to improve the accuracy and relevance of music recommendations.

Furthermore, implementing a music recommendation system using a K-means clustering algorithm demonstrated the potential of this technology in providing personalized music recommendations to users. By developing a Flask backend and a React frontend, the system was able to process user data, identify patterns, and generate personalized recommendations. The system was tested using evaluation metrics such as precision, recall, and F1 score, which indicated the system's accuracy and performance.

Overall, music recommendation systems have the potential to revolutionize the way we discover and enjoy music. They are likely to become increasingly sophisticated and pervasive in the years to come. However, the success of these systems depends on the quality and quantity of data available, as well as the algorithms and techniques used to process and analyse that data. It is also important to consider user feedback and incorporate it into the recommendations to continually improve the system's performance. In conclusion, music recommendation systems have made significant strides in providing personalized music recommendations to users. The K-means clustering algorithm has proven to be a powerful tool in this field, and the development of a music recommendation system using this algorithm demonstrated its potential. However, there are still challenges to be addressed and ongoing research and development in the field to improve the accuracy and relevance of music recommendations. Overall, music recommendation systems have the potential to enhance the music listening experience for users and are likely to continue to evolve and improve in the future.

Furthermore. another limitation of music recommendation systems is the lack of diversity in recommendations. It can be challenging for the system to suggest music outside of the user's typical listening habits, which can result in a "filter bubble" effect, where users are only exposed to a narrow range of music. To address this recommendation systems issue. some incorporate serendipity in their recommendations, while others use external data sources such as music blogs or user-generated playlists to expand the range of recommendations. Despite these limitations, music recommendation systems have the potential to revolutionize the way we discover and enjoy music. They can provide a more personalized and diverse selection of music than traditional radio or streaming services and introduce users to new artists and genres they may not have discovered on their own.

Moreover, music recommendation systems have the potential to benefit various industries beyond music streaming, such as radio, advertising, and retail. In radio, recommendation systems can help to tailor content to the listener's preferences and provide more engaging programming. In advertising, recommendation systems can be used to ewtarget ads based on the user's music preferences and increase ad relevance. In retail, recommendation systems can be used to suggest products that align with the user's music tastes and increase customer engagement.

In conclusion, music recommendation systems are an effective tool for providing personalized music recommendations to users. By analyzing user behavior and preferences, these systems can suggest songs, artists, and playlists that align with their tastes. Machine learning algorithms, such as K-means clustering, can be used to process and analyze data and improve the accuracy and relevance of recommendations. However, the success of a music recommendation system depends on the quality and quantity of data available, as well as the algorithms and techniques used to process and analyze that data. Although there are challenges and limitations to music recommendation systems, they have the potential to enhance the music listening experience for users and benefit various industries beyond music streaming. In the future, as technology continues to advance, music recommendation systems are likely to become increasingly sophisticated and pervasive. The continued development and improvement of these systems will undoubtedly significantly impact how we discover and enjoy music.

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