



Togther4Ever: PRIVACY ORIENTED FRIEND RECOMMENDATION SYSTEM BASED ON SHARED INTERESTS

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Abstract: Basic functionalities of Mobile phones have changed from mundane activities like call, SMS to performing the tasks like navigation, tracking etc. which has made mobile units smart. This has become possible due to the introduction of sensors. Sensors enable a mobile phone to be context aware i.e.; aware of the environment and activities of phone and its user. Sensors are of various types and each of them has a different functionality e.g.: magnetometer, accelerometer, proximity, camera, Wi-Fi, gyroscope etc.. In this paper, we have presented a literature review of the modern Activity based friend recommendation services. Social networking sites imply friend recommendation Systems in contribution to providing better user experiences. Online friend recommendation is a rapid developing topic in web mining. Current social networking servicing recommend friends to users based on their social graphs and mutual friends, which may not be the most appropriate to reflect a user's taste on friend selection in real lifetime. In this paper, we present Together4ever, a novel social network with a social-life based friend recommendation system, which recommends friends to users based on their life styles instead of social graphs. We propose a system that recommends friends based on the daily activities of users. Here a semantic based friend recommendation is done based on the users life styles. By using text mining, we display a user's everyday life as life archives, from which his/her ways of life are separated by using the Latent Dirichlet Allocation algorithm. At that point we discover a similarity metric to quantify the similarity of life styles between users, and ascertain users effect as far as ways of life with a similarity matching diagram. At last, we incorporate a feedback component to further enhance the proposal precision.

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LINTRODICTION

The development of social networks from the Internet generated a major improvement in information spread. From data to search and from search to social interaction, users around the world are now more deeply involved with the Internet as user generated content undergoes perpetual growth and expansion. Through adoption of social networks, user generated content is far more accessible than before. A powerful aspect of social networks is the customization of user experiences. Recommendation systems constitute a large role in providing quality customized user experiences. The main challenge in developing relevant friend recommendations is due to the dynamic nature of humans' perception of friendship, which constitutes a cause for heterogeneity in social networks [1], [2]. It is usual and frequent for humans to change their view of friendship. Further, this view varies from person to person in which a social network can undergo frequent and abrupt change over time even without the introduction of new nodes [4]. Recommender systems help users to identify their interests and sets of choices by predicting the usefulness degree of an item or group of items to these users. They are defined as a special type of

information filtering that gives information about which items might be interesting to users.

A social network is a system where clients (nodes) are joined with one another by relationship (edges). The edges are undirected and the quantity of edges demonstrates the quantity of companions a client has. A percentage of the remarkable interpersonal organizations are Facebook, Google plus LinkedIn and so forth. Each client keeps up a profile. There are numerous properties in the profile which can be utilized to anticipate the quality of ties between diverse clients.

The vast majority of the friend recommendations system depends on previous client connections to pick friend candidates. For example, Facebook depends on a social connection examination among the individuals who as of now impart basic friends and suggests symmetrical clients as potential friends. Existing social networking services prescribe friends to users based on their social graphs, which may not be the most appropriate to reflect a users preferences on friend selection in real life. With the quick advancement of social network, recommendation systems in different fields rose. A decent suggestion framework ought to consolidate different sorts of suggestion impacts and assurance differences on the base of exactness, in order to



fulfil some disagreeable tastes.

One test with existing social networking services is the way to prescribe a good friend to a client. Most of them depend on previous user connections to pick friend candidates. In our ordinary lives, we may have several activities, which structure important groupings that shape our lives. In this paper, we utilize the word activity to explicitly refer to the actions made in the order of seconds, for example, "running", "strolling", or "perusing", while we utilize the expression way of life to allude to more elevated amount reflections of day by day lives, for example, "office work" or "shopping". For example, the "shopping" way of life basically comprises of the "strolling" movement, however might likewise contain the "standing" then again the "sitting" exercises.

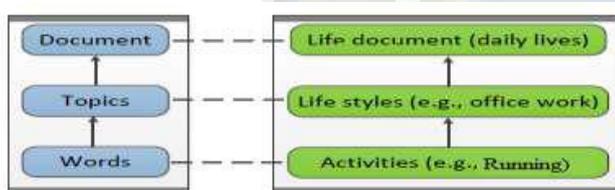


Fig. 1: A Relationship Between Word Archives And Individuals' Everyday Lives

The commitments of this work are summarized as follows:

- Friend recommendation is done based on life style of users.
- We display the everyday lives of clients as life reports by collecting activities and use the probabilistic topic model to extract life style data of clients.
- Then using similarity metric and calculate the similarity between users and constructing friend matching graphs.
- A user feedback mechanism for improving accuracy and based on that decide optimum threshold value.

To model daily lives properly, we draw an analogy between people's daily lives and documents, as shown in Figure 1. Previous research on probabilistic topic models in text mining has treated documents as mixtures of topics, and topics as mixtures of words. Inspired by this, similarly, we can treat our daily lives (or life documents) as a mixture of life styles (or topics), and each life style as a mixture of activities (or words). Observe here, essentially, we represent daily lives with "life documents", whose semantic meanings are reflected through their topics, which are life styles in our study Just like words serve as the basis of documents, people's activities naturally serve as the primitive vocabulary of these life documents. Our proposed solution is also motivated by the recent advances in smart phones, which have become more and more popular in people's lives. These smart phones (e.g., iPhone or Android-based smart phones) are equipped with a rich set of embedded sensors, such as GPS, accelerometer, microphone, gyroscope, and camera.

Thus, a smart phone is no longer simply a communication device, but also a powerful and environmental reality sensing platform from which we can extract rich context and content-aware information. From this perspective, smart phones serve as the ideal platform for sensing daily routines from which people's life styles could be discovered. In spite of the powerful sensing capabilities of smart phones, there are still multiple challenges for extracting users' life styles and recommending potential friends based on their similarities.

First, how to automatically and accurately discover life styles from noisy and heterogeneous sensor data? Second, how to ensure the similarity of users in terms of life styles?

Third, who should be recommended to the user among all the friend candidates? To address these challenges, in this paper, we present Toghter4Ever, a social-life based friend recommendation system based on sensor-rich smart phones.

The contributions of this work are summarized as follows:

- To the best of our knowledge, Toghter4Ever is the first friend recommendation system exploiting a user's life style information discovered from smart phone sensors.
- Inspired by achievements in the field of text mining, we model the daily lives of users as life documents and use the probabilistic topic model to extract life style information of users.
- We propose a unique similarity metric to characterize the similarity of users in terms of life styles and then construct a friend-matching graph to recommend friends to users based on their life styles.
- We integrate a linear feedback mechanism that exploits the user's feedback to improve recommendation accuracy.
- We conduct both small-scale experiments and large scale simulations to evaluate the performance of our system. Experimental results demonstrate the effectiveness of our system.

Advantages of social networks:

- 1.Social networking helps people stay in touch that might not do it otherwise.
2. Social networking can be used to help advertise goods and services.
3. Social networking can provide an extremely accessible medium for self expression to those with access to computer.
4. Social networking can help families torn apart by war, divorce, etc. stay in touch easier and quicker than by some other means.
5. Social networking can be a powerful engine for job searches.
6. Social networking can be used to find dating part-ners in a fractured society where healthy meeting plac-es are limited.



7. Social networking can be used to memorialize and honour dead persons to keep memories and history that would otherwise fade alive.

8. Social networking can be used to get difficult personal issues out of the closet in front of others so they can be examined and evaluated, and people in trouble can garner support from their friends.

II.RELATED WORK

Recommendation systems that try to suggest items (e.g., music, movie, and books) to users have become more and more popular in recent years. For instance, Amazon [1] recommends items to a user based on items the user previously visited, and items that other users are looking at. Netflix [3] and Rotten Tomatoes [4] recommend movies to a user based on the user's previous ratings and watching habits. Recently, with the advance of social networking systems, friend recommendation has received a lot of attention. Generally speaking, existing friend recommendation in social networking systems, e.g., Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter, recommend friends to users if, according to their social relations, they share common friends. Meanwhile, other recommendation mechanisms have also been proposed by researchers. For example, Bian and Holtzman [8] presented MatchMaker, a collaborative filtering friend recommendation system based on personality matching. Kwon and Kim [13] proposed a friend recommendation method using physical and social context. However, the authors did not explain what the physical and social context is and how to obtain the information. Yu et al. [14] recommended geographically related friends in social network by combining GPS information and social network structure. Hsu et al. [12] studied the problem of link recommendation in weblogs and similar social networks, and proposed an approach based on collaborative recommendation using the link structure of a social network and content-based recommendation using mutual declared interests. Gou et al. [11] proposed a visual system, SFViz, to support users to explore and find friends interactively under the context of interest, and reported a case study using the system to explore the recommendation of friends based on people's tagging behaviours in a music community. These existing friend recommendation systems, however, are significantly different from our work, as we exploit recent sociology findings to recommend friends based on their similar life styles instead of social relations.

There is a broad class of Web applications that include anticipating client predicting user responses to options. Such a facility is called recommendation system. Recommendation systems can be separated into two areas of

center: object suggestion and link recommendation. Organizations, for example, Amazon and Netflix stress object suggestion where items are prescribed to clients in light of past behavioral examples [2], [3], [4]. Person to person communication destinations for example, Facebook and LinkedIn concentrate on connection suggestion where companion suggestions are introduced to clients. The work we present in this paper mainly focuses on the latter, in which we develop friend Recommendation system within social networks. The recommendation systems employed by different sites are based on mutual friends. Friendbook [1], a novel semantic-based friend suggestion system for social networking communities, which prescribes friends to clients focused around their ways of life rather than social graphs. By exploiting sensor-rich cell phones, Friendbook finds ways of life of clients from client driven sensor information, measures the closeness of ways of life in the middle of clients, and prescribes friends to clients if their ways of life have high likeness. LDA is a probabilistic model for collecting distinct data with a three-level hierarchical Bayesian model, where each item of a collection is modelled as a definite mixture over an underlying set of topics or words. The data collection module gathers life reports from users post and other activities. The ways of life of clients are separated by the way of life analysis module with the probabilistic topic model. Latent Dirichlet allocation algorithm is a probability based entropy model with more accuracy. It extracts topics from set of words. Based on the similarity metric, we model the relations between users in real life as a friend-matching graph. Friend matching graph: It is a weighted undirected graph $G=(V,E,W)$ where V represents users, Edge represents relationship and Weight represents similarity between users. At a time only 5-10 recommendation are made to the user. Suppose the user accept one of the recommendations or sends a friend request then a new recommendation from top of the k-neighbour list is suggested to the user. Also, changes are made to the „knearest“ neighbour list which ensures the same people are not recommended again. To support performance optimization at runtime, we also integrate a feedback control mechanism. Based on the feedback from the user the threshold value can be set. Under different threshold value the algorithm is evaluated for the best results.

Link recommendation [9] in weblogs and comparable social networks, and proposed an methodology focused around community suggestion utilizing the link structure of an social network and substance based proposal utilizing shared pronounced diversions. Kuan et al. proposes an algorithm to place gatherings utilizing a transitive extension based methodology [10]. This examination proposed represented the utilization of a 1.5clicque expansion technique to infer substructures, or groups, inside

informal organizations. Results demonstrated that this strategy was genuinely compelling in finding group of friends. Be that as it may, this technique does not give knowledge into how these groups are structured. That is, it is noteworthy to comprehend what basic hobbies cause a arrangement in these groups. Activity recognition serves as the premise for separating abnormal state day by day schedules (in close connection with ways of life) from low-level sensor information, which has been broadly mulled over utilizing different sorts of wearable sensors.

Reddy et al. [14] utilized the inherent GPS and the accelerometer on the cell phones to discover the transportation mode of an single person. Cenceme [15] utilized numerous sensors on the cell phone to catch client's exercises, state, propensities and surroundings. Soundsense [16] utilized the amplifier on the cell phone to perceive general sound sorts (e.g., music, voice) and find client particular sound occasions. Easytracker [17] utilized GPS follows gathered from cell phones that are introduced on travel vehicles to focus courses served, find stops, and induce plans. The MIT Reality Mining project [18] and Farrahi and Gatica-Perez [19] attempted to find every day area driven schedules from huge scale area information. They could construe every day schedules, for example, leaving from home to office and consuming at a restaurant.

Collaborative Filtering (CF) based Recommender Systems are most essential procedures of prescribing things to the clients. The easiest and unique execution of this methodology prescribes to the dynamic client the things that different clients with comparative tastes enjoyed before. The likeness in taste of two clients is ascertained in view of the similitude in the rating history of the clients. Collaborative Filtering (CF) frameworks work by gathering client criticism as appraisals for things in a given space and abusing similitudes in appraising conduct amongst a few clients in deciding how to prescribe a thing. Collaborative oriented Filtering (CF) routines can be further subdivided into neighbourhood-based and model-based approaches. Collaborative Filtering makes a gathering of clients with comparative conduct, and finds the things favoured by this gathering. Evaluations from client will be taken from client in two ways unequivocal rating and certain rating [5]. CF calculations are partitioned into two sorts, memory-based algorithm and model based algorithm. Memory-Based algorithm just stores all the client evaluations into memory. There are two variations of memory-based proposal and both are in view of the k-Nearest Neighbour calculation: client based sifting and thing based separating. In User – Based Filtering, Rating lattice is utilized to discover

neighbouring clients for the dynamic client. This is carried out by utilizing cosine or Pearsons correlation matrix.

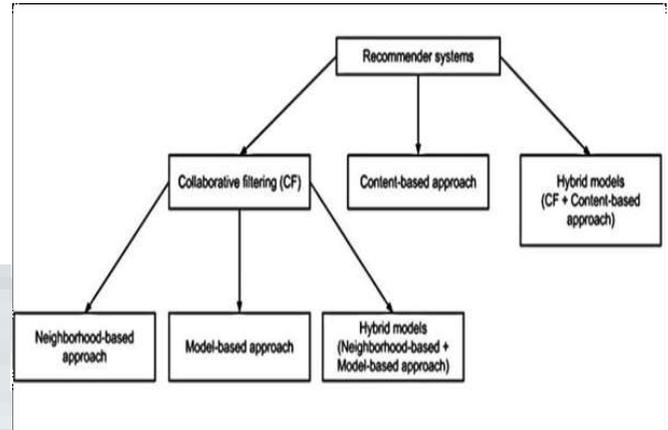


Fig. 2: Types of Recommender Systems

III.IMPLEMENTATION

The proposed design will be present FriendSeeker, a new recommendation system for social networks, which suggests friends to users based on their life styles instead of social graphs. FriendSeeker discovers life styles of users from user-centric sensor data, personal interest and measures the relationship of life styles between users, and suggest friends to users if their life styles have high match. The proposed design will develop a general friend recommendation system by using Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) algorithm and friends suggest will be given to the user. Then propose a similarity metric to determine the similarity of life styles between users, and compute users' impact in terms of life styles with a friend-matching graph. Upon receiving a request, FriendSeeker returns a list of people with maximum recommendation scores to the query user. Finally the proposed designs will implement on the Android-based System or Smartphone's. The results will show that the recommendations accurately return the preferences of users in choosing friends. We take the base architecture from the paper [15] as the System Architecture is shown in fig.4 for the proposed Work.

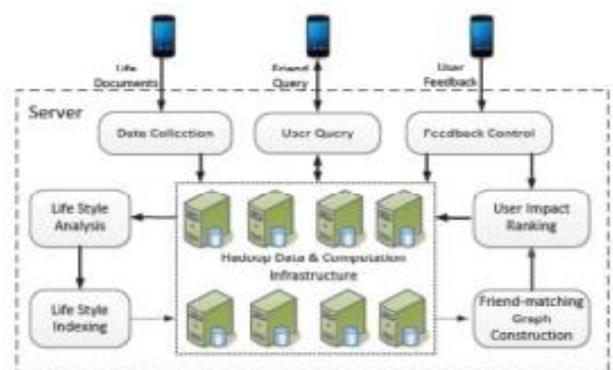


Fig:4 .System Architecture



Life style modeling:

Life styles and activities are reflections of daily lives at two different levels where daily lives can be treated as a mixture of life styles and life styles as a mixture of activities. This is analogous to the treatment of documents as ensemble of topics and topics as ensemble of words. By taking advantage of recent developments in the field of text mining, we model the daily lives of users as life documents, the life styles as topics, and the activities as words.

Friend-matching graph:

To characterize relations among users, in this section, we propose the friend-matching graph to represent the similarity between their life styles and how they influence other people in the graph. In particular, we use the link weight between two users to represent the similarity of their life styles. Based on the friend-matching graph, we can obtain a user's affinity reflecting how likely this user will be chosen as another user's friend in the network.

User Impact Ranking:

The friend-matching graph has been constructed to reflect life style relations among users. However, we still lack a measurement to identify the impact ranking of a user quantitatively. Intuitively, the impact ranking means a user's capability to establish friendships in the network. In other words, the higher the ranking, the easier the user can be made friends with, because he/she shares broader life styles with others. Inspired by Page Rank which is used in web page ranking, we form the idea that a user's ranking is reflected by his neighbors in the friend-matching graph and how much his neighbors endorse the user as a friend.

Query and friend recommendation:

Before a user initiates a request, he/she should have accumulated enough activities in his/her life documents for efficient life styles analysis. The period for collecting data usually takes at least one day. Longer time would be expected if the user wants to get more satisfied friend recommendation results. After receiving a user's request (e.g., life documents), the server would extract the user's life style vector, and based on which recommend friends to the user.

Feedback control :

To support performance optimization at runtime, we also integrate a feedback control mechanism into Together4Ever. After the server generates a reply in response to a query, the feedback mechanism allows us to measure the satisfaction of users, by providing a user interface that allows the user to rate the friend list.

Algorithm in Use:

Introduction to latent Dirichlet allocation (LDA):

In natural language processing, latent Dirichlet allocation (LDA) is a generative model that allows sets of observations to be explained by unobserved groups that explain why some parts of the data are similar.

Suppose you have the following set of sentences:

- I like to eat broccoli and bananas.
- I ate a banana and spinach smoother for breakfast.
- Chinchillas and kittens are cute.
- My sister adopted a kitten yesterday.
- Look at this cute hamster munching on a piece of broccoli.

What is latent Dirichlet allocation? It's a way of automatically discovering topics that these sentences contain. For example, given these sentences and asked for 2 topics, LDA might produce something like

- Sentences 1 and 2 100% Topic A
- Sentences 3 and 4 100% Topic B
- Sentence 5 50% Topic A, 50% Topic B
- Topic A 30% broccoli, 15% bananas, 10% breakfast, 10% munching, ... (at which point, you could interpret topic A to be about food)
- Topic B 20% chinchillas, 20% kittens, 20% cute, 15% hamster, ... (at which point, you could interpret topic B to be about cute animals) The question, of course, is how does LDA perform this discovery?

LDA: In more detail, LDA represents documents as mixtures of topics that spit out words with certain probabilities. It assumes that documents are produced in the following fashion when writing each document, you

- Decide on the number of words N the document will have (say, according to a Poisson distribution).
- Choose a topic mixture for the document (according to a Dirichlet distribution over a fixed set of K topics). For example, assuming that we have the two food and cute animal topics above, you might choose the document to consist of $1/3$ food and $2/3$ cute animals.
- First picking a topic (according to the multinomial distribution that you sampled above; for example, you might pick the food topic with $1/3$ probability and the cute animals topic with $2/3$ probability).
- Using the topic to generate the word itself (according to the topic's multinomial distribution). For example, if we selected the food topic, we might generate the word "broccoli" with 30% probability, "bananas" with 15% probability, and so on. Assuming this generative model for a collection of documents, LDA then tries to backtrack from the documents to find a set of topics that are likely to have generated the collection.

Example: Let's make an example. According to the above process, when generating some particular document D , you might



- Pick 5 to be the number of words in D.
- Decide that D will be 1/2 about food and 1/2 about cute animals.
- Pick the first word to come from the food topic, which then gives you the word “broccoli”.
- Pick the second word to come from the cute animals topic, which gives you “panda”.
- Pick the third word to come from the cute animals topic, giving you “adorable”.
- Pick the fourth word to come from the food topic, giving you “cherries”.
- Pick the fifth word to come from the food topic, giving you “eating”. So the document generated under the LDA model will be “broccoli panda adorable cherries eating” (note that LDA is a bag-of-words model).

IV.CONCLUSION

In this paper, we presented the design and implementation of Together 4 Ever, a Social-Life based friend recommendation system for social networks. Different from the friend recommendation mechanisms relying on social graphs in existing social networking services, Together4Ever extracted life styles from user-centric data collected from sensors on the smart phone and recommended potential friends to users if they share similar life styles. First, we would like to evaluate our system on large-scale field experiments. Second, we intend to implement the life style extraction using LDA and the iterative matrix-vector multiplication method in user impact ranking incrementally, so that Together4Ever would be scalable to large-scale systems. Third, the similarity threshold used for the friend-matching graph is fixed in our current prototype of Together4Ever. It would be interesting to explore the adaption of the threshold for each edge and see whether it can better represent the similarity relationship on the friend-matching graph.

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