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Knowing the customer

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Introduction

eTUR2020 massively captures and processes information from multiple users and their activity in order to generate personalized contextaware recommendations.

 $\, \odot \,$ A library is required to be embedded in the client App

 $\ensuremath{\,\odot\,}$ Oriented to Tourism and Retail sectors



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Information Source

1. User device information:

- \odot Position, even inside buildings
- $\odot\;$ Accelerometer and Activity type (ie: foot, car, bike, ...)
- ⊘ Other installed applications
- ⊘ Username, language, photos
- ◎ MAC, type ("Smartphone"), Operating system, Brand and model
- $\ensuremath{{\odot}}$ Possibility to identify the user, even using different devices
- \odot Activity in social networks



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Information Sources

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- 2. User activity in the application where eTUR resides:
- ⊘ Navigation and displayed Products
- ⊘ Categories query
- ◎ Shopping Cart and Purchased Products
- ⊘ Wish list



- 3. User Context and external sources:
- \odot Weather information
- ⊘ Customer device price
- $\odot~$ Installed Apps price and type



- 4. Product catalogue
- ⊘ Product catalogue to propose to the user is ingested in the platform

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User Profiling

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Discover user preferences and interests is crucial to provide personalized proposals



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Family members	Nationality		
Age	Languages		
Health	Finances	Videogames	
Reading	Photo	Travelling	
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Type of buyer Social networks			
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User profiling

The system progressively learns the user' s profile. Some of its characteristics are obtained directly from the sources of information and others are inferred.

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In the last phase of profiling, based on many individual profiles, user groups with common characteristics are identified

Profiling techniques

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- ⊘ Assignment to stereotype at the beginning
- ⊘ Ontological approach
- ⊘ Bayesian networks
- ⊘ Hidden Random Markov Fields
- \odot Filtering based on content
- ⊘ Collaborative filtering

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Dynamic behavior patterns





Genetic Agarithms Population of malividuals Mutation-local search N(x) 2 Cross over - population holds information generations - iterations of improvement dimension 1



User activity and context during the session is gathered in order to be analyzed.

A timeline with the visited elements and their context (available options) in each step is generated. The withdrawal rate is modeled by means of genetic algorithms based on:

- ⊘ User behavior in the session: Time, context and activity
- ⊘ User info: Desire, interest, financial capacity

Algorithms allow obtaining a prediction to evaluate whether a user will buy or not

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Processing

User profile and recommendations are generated taking into account all sources



Recommendation Engine

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The recommendation engine combines algorithms based on the interactions of users (Collaborative-Filtering type) with others that rely on ontologies that model the characteristics of the users and products to be recommended (Content-Based), taking into account the context.



Collaborative –Filtering

- ⊘ Coocurrence-based recommender
- ◎ Content-based recommender
- ⊘ Hybrid recommender



Content – Based

- ◎ Semantic-based recommender
- ◎ Context-aware Matrix Factorization

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Recommendation Engine

Recommendation types:

- ◎ seen by others: recommended products seen by others
- ⊘ bought by others: recommended products bought by others
- behaviour me: recommended products based on previous interactions of the current user and previous interactions of users similar to the current one
- ◎ similar items: products similar to the one currently selected



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Recommendation engine

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Behavior scenarios:

- \odot It's raining, therefore outdoor activities are eliminated.
- The user has visited Thai and Japanese restaurants in the previous weekends. He could be interested in Asian cuisine. Today is weekend. Indonesian restaurants are recommended
- It' s good weather, holiday and user is in Location1. There is no information available in the system on the opinions of users regarding the events / restaurants / activities in Location1. But on the other hand users have made a positive rating to a concept "chiringuito" in Location2 very close in a similar context (when the weather was good and it was a holiday). Chiringuitos in Location2 are recommended to the user.
- ⊘ The user has not previously interacted with the platform, but the system knows that he is Brazilian, age 20 and male. Restaurants with disco and dance are recommended.

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KPIs

System variables with different ways of visualization (in visits, in euros, in recommendations):

- ◎ Number of events entering in the platform from any channel
- \odot Recommendations made by the platform algorithm
- ⊘ Recommendations sent proactively
- \odot Gamification on the platform
- ⊘ Geofencing on the platform







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