Chatbot Application for Tourists

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Abstract: This paper includes building a chatbot by using various techniques like natural language processing(NLP), Pattern Matching and Dialogue Generation. The chatbot have the ability to learn conversation between user and machine. In this paper we are building a chatbot for tourists using artificial intelligence(AI). The chatbot has information stored in database to identify the sentences and make a decision itself to answer a given question. For that decision making or to train a chatbot we need some algorithms. Based upon this concept we are going to implement chatbot for tourists. When tourists visits a city they have many issues related to finding affordable services like medical service, food service, apartment searching and many more. Hence by providing this information via effective method can help them a lot. This process starts from NLP and finally ends with Dialogue Generation.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Now a days Artificial Intelligence is a treading domain. The aim of artificial intelligence is to create modern technologies that allows computers and machines to interact with an intelligent manner. Chatbot is nothing but the interaction between human and machine.

This application is use as the personal assistant that to make human work easier. Artificial Intelligence plays a very important role in humans to the next level. With the rapid growth in technology and development, we can have a lot more exciting features and uses of AI in the future. Chatbot comes under. This Chatbot will provide the answer for any places related queries. So, it will be more helpful for visually impaired people in their daily life. Whereas proposed Chatbot application is made with an android platform Chatbot. They are used because it provides a quickly answer to the question. So chatbot can be use in various applications. In our system we are trying to build an application for tourists. All kind of information will be provided to the user like about particular places. Now a days ,everyone use the Google Maps for finding any location. But the Google Maps only suggest places that we want to search it.

Our concern to develop Chatbot for tourists this chatbot is responsible to give answer related places. It also give us further information related to places. This Chatbot is really use for the Visually Impaired people. Our chatbot take input as text based as well as voice based.

The proposed Chatbot gives great flexibility for the visually impaired people to learn easily without others help. The proposed android Chatbot application could provide any kind of information which included in our database and it can also provide user defined information. So it gives the ability to the user to define their own question and answer. It has the capability to get the input as text as well as speech format from the user. So user no need to type the keyboard or in build microphone in mobile for provide the input. Output of this application will be given as text and speech format. So user can able to view and hear their output. So this Chatbot will serve as new platform for a visually impaired people in their for their travelling. They can get the answer for their query or some other places.

Our chatbot also recommended some hotels and gives us comparison between them. This application can run in every android devices with internet connection. We can use the multiple method to build chatbot like natural language processing, pattern matching and dialogue generation. Natural language also uses the naïve bayes algorithm to understand input language. After pattern matching the concept used is Dialogue Generation which is a last step. Once the pattern is matched then dialogue generation takes place.

Dialogues are nothing but the logical conversation. Proper dialogues should be generated, for that purpose various algorithms are there like Hidden Markov Model(HMM), Long Short Term Memory(LSTM), Reinforcement algorithms. For example, The conversation starts with “Hi” and “Bye”. Now in between the dialogues are generated, to manage those dialogues we need dialogue generation techniques or algorithms.
II. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

The user gives the input to the android application in form of text as well as voice then it goes in the API. The user input is passed to the API for the response. The voice input is first converted into text before sending it into API using SpeechToText library. These libraries are responsible for converting voice into text. Then the API is connected to the database scripts with our chatbot application. When user input is received at the API, it is passed to the Natural Language processing. The NLP first understands the language and generates an appropriate response which runs over the AIML scripts. In the process, it goes through a pattern matching algorithm for matching the valid response from the available database. When a pattern is matched, the corresponding result is returned to the API. Then the API converts the corresponding result into the JSON format and sends the reply to the android application. After receiving the response, the application again converts into the JSON format and gives the response to the user in text format. If the output is getting back into voice, then using TextToSpeech library, it gives the response to the user in voice format.

The response generation process is carried out with two phases [2].

A. Natural Language Processing
Each input to the NLP interpreter is passed through two main phases.
1) Natural Language Understanding
2) Natural Language Generation.

B. Pattern Matching Behaviour
Here we try to find the largest matching pattern and select the best one by word by word matching of the input. This behavior can be described some pattern represents response of all these words.
C. Dialogue Generation

1) Natural Language Processing: NLP is further divide into two methods that is Natural Language Understanding (NLU) and Natural Language Generation (NLG). In that process of NLG producing phrases, sentences and paragraphs that are meaningful from an internal representation. It is a core sub-field of Natural Language Processing and has in four phases: identifying the goals, planning on how goals maybe achieved by evaluating the situation and available communicative sources and realizing the plans as a text.

2) Pattern Matching Algorithm: Rabin karp: Rabin-Karp Algorithm is the simplest string searching algorithm. This algorithm was developed by Michael O. Rabin and Richard M. Karp in 1987. This algorithm uses the hash function to discover the potential pattern in the input text. It is used to find the hash value of the given pattern substring and then it finds the hash value of all possible m length substring of the input text. If the hash value of the pattern equates with text substring match than it returns the value otherwise next substring value is matched to calculate the string of length. Rolling Hash Function: Hash Function is used to calculate hash values. Here Hash function must be strong enough to give least hits. It helps to predetermine whether the pattern is existing in text or not. Weak hash function will result in spurious hits.

3) Hits: When a pattern is found in text, is called hits. Spurious Hits: First the hash value of pattern is found. Then the hash value of those many characters (equal to the length of pattern) from left to right in text is found. If hash value of pattern equals to hash value of pattern then there is probability of having pattern in text. Then after checking sequence and pattern character by character, if they get mismatched, that is called spurious hit.

Following are the steps for Rabin Karp Algorithm:

a) We are checking existence of of pattern (P) of length N in text (T) of length M
b) Build a rolling hash function h(). This hash function should be complex enough. As simple hash function results in spurious hits, it should be enough efficient to avoid spurious hits.
c) Calculate hash value of pattern P.h(P).
d) Start from the left of text T, calculate hash value of sequence having length as same of N. If hash value of sequence equates with hash value of pattern search for pattern.
e) Now from left compare sequence with pattern. If they are matching pattern P is found in T. If not go to next step.
f) Now start from the second character (from left) in sequence. Shift a position in right direction and repeat from step 4.

Average Running time complexity of this algorithm is O(M(N-M+1)) or O(NM) which is an exponential value. It works like brute force string matching algorithm when hash value of pattern matches with hash values of substring of text, which is a major drawback of this approach. When the hash value comparison gives a hit but string matching result is not matching, it gives spurious hit. Thus it requires time O(MN), this is worst time complexity of algorithm.
III. DIALOGUE GENERATION
Dialogue systems uses in the chatbots that are very attracting and increasing attentions from researchers. It uses the deep neural networks for text generating and natural language understanding that we see in the natural language processing. It has accelerated the progresses of this field.

IV. RESULTS

V. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK
Chatbot application is a trending product in industry. It can be used by Customer Care Centers in order to reduce the manual work. Hence chatbot automation is saving human work, time greatly. As of now we have used it for tourists for very much likely questions. For pattern matching Boyer-Moore algorithm has been used. As it would be overhead, time consuming to have hash values of all strings in large data set of geographical locations. Our implementation is limited to just having displayed localities, vendors, shops. Furthermore we can use more efficient algorithm to compare prices, costs of services and give the result. Just like Trivago website our further work can lead towards more tourists friendly and affordable.
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