E-Learning: Content Personalization

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Abstract: Data Mining is a process of identifying hidden patterns and relationships within data that can help for decision making. E-learning is a technology which supports teaching and learning using a computer web technology. The main aim of the e-learning is to provide sufficient amount of content to the well known student’s profiles and preferences and also to specific the better content for each student. In this paper we proposed the comparison of techniques and algorithms which used in the system to improve the student knowledge level and academic progress, but the quality of e-learning service is low and so there is a lack of interaction among e-learners.

Keywords: Content Personalization, E-learning Planning, Learning Object, Intelligent E-Learning System, Educational technology.

I. INTRODUCTION

Data mining (DM) sometime called data or knowledge discovery in database (KDD) is a process of collecting, search through and analyzing a large amount of data from different perspectives, as to discover patterns or relations and summarizing it into useful information. Normally data mining involves collecting information from data stored in database. The KDD process categorize into following steps: Data selection, data transformation, data cleaning, Pattern searching (DM), finding presentation, finding Interpretation, finding evaluation.

The task of data mining, finding various kinds of methods and techniques are used to find the various kinds of patterns. Data mining classified into common classes of tasks: anomaly detection, association, clustering, classification, Regression, summarization, trend analysis. Data mining software programs are divided into following categories: Data mining suites, Business intelligence packages, Mathematical packages, Integration packages, Extensions, Data mining libraries, Specialties, Research, Solutions. Analyzing the different level of data mining Are: artificial neural network, genetic algorithms, decision tree, nearest neighbor method, rule induction, data visualization, Multivariate Statistical Process Control (MSPC), Analysis of Variance, Discriminate Analysis.

II. THE ROLE OF E-LEARNING

E-learning is a delivery of learning, training or education programs by electronic means. It involves the use of a computer or electronic device in some way to provide training, educational or learning material. E-learning is the use of technology and services to deliver curricula and to facilitate learning. Delivering education in e-Learning is a tool used within each point of the education process and powerfully coordinates the organization. The following seven great reasons to use e-learning are: Scalable/Efficient and Fast, Capacity and consistency, Higher Learning Retention than traditional learning, E-learning saves you time and money, Measuring learning activity and proving return on investment, Reduce your carbon footprint, Flexibility and finding hard to reach people.

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Table 1: EVOLUTION OF DATA MINING

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<td>Data Collection</td>
<td>“What was my total revenue in the last five years?”</td>
<td>Computers, tapes, disks</td>
<td>Retrospective, static data delivery</td>
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<td>Data Access</td>
<td>“What were unit sales in New England last March?”</td>
<td>RDBMS, SQL, ODBC</td>
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<td>Data Warehousing</td>
<td>“What were unit sales in New England last”</td>
<td>Online analytic processing (OLAP), multidimensional</td>
<td>Retrospective, dynamic data delivery at multiple levels</td>
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Figure 1: The Stages of E-learning
The main advantage of e-Learning is the use of technology to enable people to learn anytime and anywhere. E-learning is more cost effective than traditional learning because less time and no travel expenses. The various types of e-learning are: means of communication, schedule, e-learning class structure, Technologies used. The fig2 proposes four scenarios for the future of e-learning development for educational institutions.

![Figure 2: Future Development of E-learning](image)

**III. CONTENT PERSONALIZATION**

A key requirement of the contemporary e-learning systems is the personalization that is a function able to adapt the e-learning content or services to the user profile. The personalization includes how to find and filter the learning information that fits the user preferences and needs.

A major aspect (and a great challenge at the same time) of instructional design and e-learning development is to know the behavior of learners. This way, an e-learning experience can be created that offers the most benefit for the learners and ensure that every component of the e-learning course is helping them to achieving their objectives and goals.

**IV. LITERATURE SURVEY**

Antonio Garrido and Lluvia Morales delivers a successful technique called myPTutor is a joint work to take advantage of Artificial Intelligence planning techniques in the adaptation of sequences of Learning Objects to pedagogical and students' requirements[1].

In Ivan Serina [5,6] proved that the imminent is a real valuable to increase the stability of the education course as well as to increase the performance and quality of the education routes.

The target is to facilitate instructor to prefer the most fitted education path and automatically adapt it in accordance with the students' desination and individual needs.

The primary target of intelligent e-learning environments is to improve students’ learning process by giving more advanced educational techniques, so intelligent learning environments are based on different pedagogical imminent and theories that have been developed in the education field [2,3] Nedhal A. M. Al Saiyd, Intisar A. M. Al-Sayed and Shimaa Abd Elkader Abd Elaal, suggested the suitable architectural design for development modules of intelligent, personalized student focus and satisfied with the intelligent Web-based learning environment about the usefulness and efficiency.

It aids to improve students’ to gain better knowledge level and academic progress.

Zbigniew Mrozek [4] A quality assurance system (QA) ought to check the necessitates are fulfilled. Likewise the value of essential certification plus learner perceptions, growth in educational faculty, and also improves efficiency of e-learning system. QA methodology ought to be measured along whole educational institutions.

Anna Katrina Dominguez, Kalina Yacef, James R. Curran [7] recovered Higher average mark attained from user who were allowed with pre-emptive hints to prevent future mistakes. And than those who were not and remained busy towards lengthier on the site. The use of data mining results shown that allow hints as division of the system loop is very effective. Intelligent systems on very much less of the time and cost expenses related with traditional ITSs.

Cristina Carmona, Gladys Castillo, Eva Millán [8] introduced an adaptive learning user model directed at finding out the student’s preferences about the educational materials finish time, such model is really fit in e-learning systems that require to “filter” the large intensities of information available, and so users can make a better use of it.

Futhurover, the model is also capable to adjust itself to alters in the student’s preferences. Silvia Rita Viola [9] suggested the approaches used for learners’ profiles characterization. knowing the value of the learning scheme used by learners in Learners’ profiles characterization in both the side with respect to distinct ways of non linear navigation. data driven approaches are useful for learners’ profile, and that their employment can be advantageous for improving personalization of learning environments.
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<td>Numerous initiative have been developed on QA in Education</td>
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<td>Sequence of learning Objects (LO)</td>
<td>Approach to Automatically extract information from the LO</td>
<td>Allow the best learning routes for each student profile and course objectives</td>
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<td>Planning and Execution in personalized E-learning Setting</td>
<td>2011</td>
<td>Adjacency Matrices, Integer Programming Model, Neural Network and AI Planning</td>
<td>Execution of the learning routes, check its progress and act when discrepancies appears</td>
<td>Adaptation Approach (Plan Stability)</td>
<td>Reuse the original Route as much as possible and adapt/replan</td>
<td>LPG-ADAPT, LPG &amp; SGPLAN6</td>
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Data Mining For Individualized Hints in e-learning
2010
Educational Data Mining (EDM)
Resulted in a high Drop out of Participants
Dynamically tailored hints for users
1. During the challenge in the form of hints and easier access to notes
2. hinting system were evaluated through a large scale participants
Cluster difficulty ranking
K-means algorithms

Discovering student preferences in e-learning
2007
“Filter” or “Sort”
Not paying too much attention to student preferences
Adaptive Machine learning system
User can make a better use of it
Stretch-Text techniques
IB algorithm

E-Learning Process Characterization using Data driven Approaches
2007
Electronic Learning Environment
Lack on Interaction of Learners
Learner’s Profile Characterization
Improving the Flexibility and Authenticity of the Learners and cost Benefits Ratio
Data driven Approach
Frequent Episode Discovery Algorithm (FED)

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