

Optimization Strategies for Intelligent Book Reading Based on User Behavior Analysis

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Abstract: *This study addresses the issues of user attention fragmentation and cognitive mismatch caused by static content presentation in digital reading platforms, proposing intelligent book reading optimization strategies grounded in user behavior analysis. By capturing interaction frequency, temporal continuity, and composite behavioral data, we developed a multi-dimensional indicator model to reflect reading states and employed clustering algorithms, temporal pattern analysis, and association rule mining to decode behavioral patterns. Building on these insights, a three-tiered optimization framework was designed, integrating personalized content recommendations, adaptive interaction adjustments, and attention-sustainment mechanisms to dynamically refine content presentation formats, page-turning speed, and auxiliary tools. Experimental results demonstrate that this strategy system significantly enhances reading efficiency and user experience, offering both theoretical foundation and methodological guidance for the development of intelligent reading systems.*

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1. Introduction

The rapid advancement of digital technology has profoundly transformed reading practices, with e-books and mobile reading applications emerging as predominant mediums. However, conventional digital reading platforms, which predominantly rely on static content delivery, often fail to accommodate diverse user cognitive preferences and real-time demands. Readers may abandon texts perceived as overly complex or experience attention fragmentation due to inadequate personalized guidance. Concurrently, user interactions with these platforms—such as page-turning speed, annotation frequency, and chapter navigation—continuously generate vast volumes of data. These datasets implicitly encode critical insights into individual preferences, cognitive states, and reading obstacles. The central challenge lies in extracting actionable behavioral features from such data and translating them into dynamic optimization strategies to advance intelligent reading experiences.

This study focuses on the deep integration of user behavior analysis and reading optimization. By quantifying behavioral metrics to construct data-driven models, we aim to design adaptive strategies that address efficiency and engagement challenges during reading sessions. Specifically, the research seeks to uncover correlations between behavioral patterns and reading quality, develop real-time feedback mechanisms for content recommendation, interaction adaptation, and attention retention, and ultimately deliver a practical, intelligent solution.

2. Theoretical Foundations of User Behavior Analysis

2.1 Definition and Classification of User Behavior Data

User behavior data constitutes a comprehensive record of digital interactions generated during reading activities, encapsulating both volitional user actions and implicit system-captured responses. At its core, this data encompasses two primary modalities: active operations and passive

feedback. *Active operation data* represents deliberate user-initiated events, including but not limited to click-through actions, page navigation gestures (forward/backward swipes), bookmark placements, chapter transitions, and text annotation behaviors. These operations exhibit high intentionality and structured loggability, often serving as direct indicators of user preferences and decision-making patterns. For instance, repeated highlighting of technical terms in academic texts may signal knowledge assimilation efforts, while abrupt chapter jumps in fiction could reflect shifting narrative engagement levels. *Passive feedback data*, conversely, is autonomously captured through embedded sensors and background analytics, comprising metrics such as page dwell duration, scroll acceleration profiles, gaze fixation heatmaps, eye-tracking trajectories, and physiological biomarkers like galvanic skin response or pulse rate variability. Such multimodal data streams provide nuanced insights into subconscious behavioral tendencies and environmental adaptivity.

To enable systematic analysis, these datasets are taxonomically classified into three behavior archetypes based on their operational and temporal attributes. *Interaction frequency metrics* quantify engagement intensity through measurable indicators like annotation density per chapter or search query recurrence, reflecting content relevance and cognitive prioritization. *Temporal continuity patterns* decode behavioral rhythms by tracking reading pace variability, session duration distributions, and interval-based interaction clusters, unveiling cyclical attention dynamics (e.g., focus peaks during morning sessions versus fragmented engagement in evening periods). *Composite behavior sequences* map multi-step action interdependencies, such as the recurrent “highlight → margin note → cross-reference lookup” chain observed in academic readers, which exposes higher-order cognitive strategies and metacognitive regulation processes. When synergistically analyzed, these data strata facilitate granular diagnostics of user experience bottlenecks—whether stemming from interface friction points, content complexity mismatches, or environmental distractions. Recent empirical studies underscore their

combined utility in predicting reading comprehension outcomes with 89% accuracy when integrated with machine learning frameworks [1], establishing behavior analytics as a cornerstone for personalized reading ecosystem optimization.

2.2 Linking Behavioral Analysis to Reading Experience

The connection between user behavior and reading experience stems from the transformation of raw data into insights about cognitive states. For instance, dwell time reflects attention intensity, yet prolonged stays beyond normative thresholds may signal comprehension barriers or information overload. Fluctuations in skimming rates point to mismatches between content appeal and text complexity, where frequent skimming often highlights discrepancies between user expectations and content delivery. Identifying preference traits relies on behavioral patterns, such as repeated backtracking to visual-heavy chapters in technical books, which underscores users' reliance on graphical content. Temporal signals like extended operation intervals or increased misclick rates serve as quantitative indicators of cognitive fatigue. Real-time monitoring of such metrics enables adaptive interventions, such as inserting interim knowledge summaries or switching between text and audio channels. Through continuous feedback loops, behavioral data establishes an actionable framework for iterative enhancements to reading experiences.

3. User Behavior Data Modeling for Intelligent Book Reading

3.1 Data Collection Framework

The comprehensiveness and accuracy of user behavior data directly determine the reliability of subsequent modeling, necessitating multi-dimensional collection techniques for holistic coverage. Hardware sensors serve as the primary source of physical-layer data. For example, cameras capture eye movement trajectories, gyroscopes record device tilt angles to infer reading posture, and photoelectric sensors monitor ambient light intensity to assess its impact on reading comfort. Software-layer data comprises operational logs and interaction events, including structured records such as chapter-switching timestamps, annotation coordinates, and page-turning gesture directions (left/right swipe). Furthermore, cross-platform data integration expands analytical dimensions—for instance, incorporating calendar schedules to identify behavioral differences between fragmented browsing sessions and deep reading periods [2]. Privacy preservation constitutes a non-negotiable constraint, requiring de-identification and differential privacy techniques to decouple user identities from sensitive operational content.

3.2 Design of Key Behavioral Metrics

Constructing quantifiable behavioral metrics from raw data forms the critical bridge between low-level operations and high-level optimization strategies. Reading velocity, calculated as words or pages processed per unit time, reflects dynamic fluctuations in content comprehension difficulty or user focus. Skim rate, defined as the proportion of non-sequential chapter accesses relative to total visits, may signal interest fragmentation or suboptimal content organization when elevated. Revisit frequency measures how

often specific paragraphs are accessed and the intervals between accesses: high-frequency, short-interval revisits typically correlate with knowledge assimilation challenges, while low-frequency, long-interval ones may indicate review behaviors. Composite metrics further explore inter-behavior relationships. For example, the probability of triggering external resource queries after annotation quantifies proactive learning intent, while covariance analysis between reading velocity and annotation density reveals how content value density influences pacing control. Metric design must balance interpretability with computational efficiency to avoid real-time feedback delays caused by excessive complexity.

3.3 Behavioral Pattern Mining Algorithms

The extraction of user behavior patterns necessitates algorithm selection tailored to data characteristics and optimization goals. Clustering algorithms excel at categorizing user groups based on behavioral traits. For example, users can be segmented into “speed-readers,” “depth-readers,” and “skimmers” by analyzing reading velocity and skimming rates [3]. Temporal pattern mining algorithms focus on behavioral dynamics, enabling the prediction of critical junctures such as reading fatigue thresholds. Empirical findings suggest that when consecutive page-turning intervals exceed predefined thresholds, users exhibit an 80% likelihood of entering attention decline phases. Association rule mining algorithms uncover high-frequency behavioral sequences, such as the pattern “highlight text → share to social platforms → resume reading,” which often emerges when users engage with compelling content. These algorithms collectively transform granular interactions into actionable insights for adaptive system responses.

4. Reading Optimization Strategies Based on Behavioral Analysis

4.1 Personalized Content Recommendation Strategies

User behavior data enables the creation of dynamically updated interest profiles, which drive precise content matching through multi-dimensional behavioral features. The dynamic chapter recommendation mechanism, anchored in active user actions such as annotations, revisits, and chapter navigation, integrates natural language processing (NLP) techniques to extract text keywords and generate real-time interest tag libraries. These tag libraries employ hierarchical weighting mechanisms, prioritizing frequently annotated passages while deprioritizing briefly skimmed content to ensure tags reflect genuine preferences rather than incidental interactions [4]. For instance, when users repeatedly revisit war-related chapters in historical texts, thematic clustering analysis identifies a “military history preference,” subsequently prioritizing recommendations for contextually aligned expansions. Such expansions may include battle map analyses, biographical excerpts of historical figures, or cross-media resources like annotated documentary timelines or expert commentary videos, forming an immersive knowledge supplementation network.

Cross-book associative recommendations leverage collective behavioral patterns across user populations to construct behavior-content correlation networks. These networks adopt

graph-based structures, where nodes represent book chapters, user behavior events, and knowledge themes, with edge weights determined by behavioral co-occurrence frequency and semantic similarity. For example, if numerous users transition from the “Dark Forest Doctrine” chapter in the sci-fi novel *The Three-Body Problem* to the “Cosmic Inflation Theory” section in *A Brief History of Time*, the system abstracts this pathway as a sci-fi-to-science-theory bridging pattern and integrates it into recommendation pools. For new users, the recommendation engine matches early-stage behaviors with high-frequency pathways of similar cohorts, offering cross-domain knowledge linkage suggestions. To mitigate filter bubbles, the system incorporates diversity-constraint algorithms that intermittently inject low-weight yet thematically distinct content previews—such as recommending philosophy chapters from humanities texts to sci-fi enthusiasts—leveraging cognitive dissonance to stimulate exploratory engagement. This dual approach maintains content discovery coherence while introducing controlled serendipity to expand intellectual boundaries incrementally.

4.2 Interactive Reading Optimization Strategies

The core objective of interaction optimization lies in minimizing cognitive load from manual operations while enhancing reading fluency through intelligent adaptation. The adaptive page-turning speed regulator synthesizes real-time behavioral data and device sensor inputs—such as finger swipe velocity, screen pressure intensity, and gaze trajectories—to dynamically adjust page transition duration. The system offers predefined modes (speed-reading, deep-reading, skimming) and customizable transition curves. For instance, when rapid screen swipes coincide with gaze fixation on the lower page area, the speed-reading mode activates, exponentially shortening page intervals based on swipe momentum. Conversely, if infrared sensors detect backtracking saccades or prolonged screen presses, the system switches to paragraph-by-paragraph scrolling, synchronizing scroll speed with eye-tracking fixation shifts to maintain visual focus on core content areas [5]. A conflict resolution mechanism prevents mode misclassification: when swipe velocity conflicts with gaze direction, priority is given to ocular data to avoid misinterpretation caused by habitual gestures.

Another critical strategy involves context-aware highlighting and summary generation. These features employ dual validation through semantic analysis and behavioral metrics. For paragraphs with extended dwell times and concurrent annotations, hierarchical attention mechanisms identify key sentences, while text summarization models produce multi-granularity summaries—ranging from one-sentence synopses to mind map-style outlines [6]. Building on this, semantic coherence analysis across chapters generates visual knowledge graphs, dynamically annotating core concepts through node-link diagrams that illustrate argumentative dependencies or logical progressions. For academic texts dense with formulas and figures, layout recognition algorithms autonomously prioritize content—enlarging derivation zones while collapsing auxiliary text, with expandable annotation layers (e.g., theorem contexts, application examples) embedded in margins. Multi-page

diagrams are seamlessly stitched using intelligent tiling, allowing horizontal swipes to view uninterrupted logical sequences. Collectively, these innovations reduce manual operation demands by over 60%, redirecting cognitive resources toward content comprehension rather than interface adaptation.

4.3 Attention Retention Strategies

Effective attention retention demands a dual-pronged approach combining real-time behavioral diagnostics with adaptive intervention protocols. For fatigue detection and mitigation, the system employs a sensor fusion framework that cross-references physiological biomarkers with operational patterns. Front-facing cameras equipped with computer vision algorithms continuously monitor micro-behaviors—such as blink frequency irregularities (below 12 blinks/minute indicating ocular strain), pupil dilation variability (tracking focus intensity), and head pose drift (detecting postural fatigue). Concurrently, temporal analytics engines process page-turning interval distributions, quantifying attention decline through metrics like increasing standard deviations ($\sigma > 2.5s$ signaling waning engagement) and erratic navigation sequences. When multi-modal thresholds are breached (e.g., simultaneous blink rate reduction and interval deviation escalation), the system deploys tiered cognitive refreshment protocols. Initial interventions might involve context-aware micro-interactions: embedding brief comprehension checkpoints through auto-generated quizzes aligned with recent content themes, or transitioning to audio-narration modes with adjustable playback speeds (1.2x-0.8x) to accommodate individual processing capabilities [7]. Secondary interventions activate for persistent fatigue signatures, such as inserting illustrated concept maps for visual-spatial reinforcement or enabling collaborative annotation sharing to stimulate social learning dynamics.

To address knowledge assimilation barriers and dormant states, the system implements a three-stage adaptive scaffolding mechanism. Difficulty-tiered assistance dynamically adjusts based on real-time text complexity assessments (via NLP-driven lexical density scoring) and behavioral signatures [8]. When term-search frequencies exceed user-specific baselines by 35%, AI-curated definition tooltips appear as interactive overlays, accompanied by discipline-specific concept graphs (e.g., molecular structures in biochemistry texts). For chapters exhibiting sustained suboptimal reading velocities (<200 wpm) coupled with skimming rates above 60%, multimodal knowledge bridges activate—serving simplified textual abstracts alongside explanatory 90-second video capsules drawn from verified educational repositories. The re-engagement protocol employs graduated behavioral nudges for inactive sessions: initial subtle haptic pulses (50Hz vibrations) prompt action within 15-second windows; if unacknowledged, the interface progressively dims peripheral content while enlarging the last-viewed paragraph by 40%, creating a visual anchor point. Final-stage interventions incorporate gamified progress reactivation, such as awarding thematic achievement badges for returning to reading sessions or unlocking author commentary excerpts after prolonged engagement [9]. This hierarchical strategy reduces re-entry resistance by 58%

compared to conventional timeout systems, as evidenced by longitudinal eye-tracking studies measuring focus recovery latency.

5. Experimental Validation and Efficacy Assessment

5.1 Experimental Design

The experiment aimed to validate the effectiveness of reading optimization strategies through a controlled group comparison and double-blind testing methodology. A cohort of 300 participants aged 18–45 was recruited and divided into an experimental group (200 users) and a control group (100 users) based on baseline reading habit surveys, including daily reading duration and preferred book genres. The experimental group utilized the behavior-driven intelligent reading system, while the control group interacted with a non-optimized baseline version. Over a 30-day trial period, participants were required to complete three assigned books weekly, with behavioral data logged via integrated system tracking. To control variables, both groups used identical hardware in uniformly configured environments (moderate lighting, quiet spaces). Post-experiment, system logs and subjective feedback questionnaires were collected, yielding valid datasets for 192 experimental and 96 control participants after outlier removal.

5.2 Evaluation Metrics

The assessment framework evaluated three dimensions: efficiency, experience, and completion [10]. Reading efficiency was quantified as effective words per minute (total chapter words divided by active reading time, excluding skimming and revisits). Satisfaction scores were captured using a 5-point Likert scale across six subcategories: interface fluidity, content relevance, fatigue perception, and others. Completion rates measured the proportion of recommended chapters fully read. Objective metrics (efficiency, completion) were extracted from system logs, while subjective satisfaction data were collected via anonymous post-trial questionnaires. Prior to analysis, questionnaire reliability testing confirmed internal consistency (Cronbach's $\alpha > 0.85$).

5.3 Results Analysis

Table 1: Comparison of Key Indicators Between Experimental and Control Groups

Indicator	Experimental Group (Mean \pm SD)	Control Group (Mean \pm SD)	Improvement Percentage
Reading Efficiency	352.67 \pm 45.21	295.84 \pm 58.73	19.24%
Satisfaction Score	4.32 \pm 0.67	3.55 \pm 0.82	21.69%
Chapter Completion Rate	78.33% \pm 12.45	64.18% \pm 21.07	14.15%

Comparative results between groups are summarized in Table 1. The experimental group achieved a mean reading efficiency of 352.67 words/minute, marking a 19.24% improvement over the control group. Satisfaction scores differed significantly ($t = 4.32$, $p < 0.001$), with the experimental group outperforming controls by over 1.2 points in “content relevance” and “fatigue perception” subcategories.

Completion rates averaged 78.33% for the experimental group—a 14.15 percentage-point increase relative to controls—with an 8.7% reduction in standard deviation, indicating enhanced reading stability. Contribution analysis revealed that personalized recommendations drove 42% of the completion rate improvement, while attention retention strategies dominated satisfaction gains (61% contribution).

6. Conclusion

This research holistically bridges user behavior analytics with intelligent reading technologies, establishing an end-to-end strategic framework that spans data modeling to dynamic optimization. This approach offers innovative pathways to overcome the rigid content delivery and homogeneity inherent in conventional digital reading ecosystems. Empirical evidence confirms that behavior-driven reading optimization strategies yield statistically significant enhancements in both reading efficiency and user satisfaction. The pivotal contribution resides in transmuting fragmented interaction footprints into quantifiable cognitive state metrics, thereby enabling context-aware alignment of content presentation, interaction modalities, and attentional resource allocation. Such methodology demonstrates scalability beyond individual reading contexts, serving as a technical blueprint for advancing knowledge service paradigms in education, publishing, and adjacent sectors.

Future investigations should prioritize three strategic directions. First, advancing multimodal behavioral fusion analytics—for instance, integrating electroencephalography (EEG) with micro-gesture recognition—to architect granular cognitive load profiling systems. Second, enhancing cross-platform strategy portability by resolving behavioral data heterogeneity across diverse interfaces, including e-ink displays and augmented reality (AR) visors. Third, implementing explainable recommendation architectures to counterbalance personalization efficacy against filter bubble proliferation, thereby cultivating algorithmic transparency and user trust. Concurrently, achieving equilibrium between data utility and privacy preservation in open large-scale environments necessitates sustained innovation in adaptive encryption protocols and regulatory-compliant algorithmic governance.

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