

Data Mining:Assignment -1 Report

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1 Question 1

1.1 Top 3 Answerers

| Top 3 users with the most answers: | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | OwnerUserId | AnswerCount |
| 3189 | 9113.0 | 2838 |
| 19912 | 177980.0 | 2318 |
| 557 | 1204.0 | 2042 |

1.2 Top 3 Tags

| Top 3 most used tags: | | |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|
| | TagName | Count |
| 259 | design | 5162 |
| 114 | c# | 4931 |
| 37 | java | 4929 |

2 Expert Matrix

- The dimensions of Expert Matrix : (1160, 973)
- Total Number of tags with count ≥ 20 is 974. But One tag was never present in any of the questions answered by any qualified answerer. This tag is of no use to recommend a question to any expert user. So we have removed that column from the Expert matrix

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Expert Matrix: Tags      1.0    3.0    4.0    7.0    8.0    9.0    11.0   12.0   \
OwnerUserId
4.0      13.0    NaN    6.0    6.0   61.0   55.0    8.0    3.0
6.0      NaN    NaN    8.0    NaN    6.0    4.0    1.0    2.0
11.0     1.0    NaN    1.0    NaN    NaN    1.0    NaN    1.0
14.0     NaN    NaN    1.0    NaN    1.0    1.0    NaN    1.0
15.0     1.0    NaN    2.0    1.0    4.0    4.0    1.0    1.0
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366014.0 NaN    NaN    NaN    NaN    NaN    NaN    1.0    NaN
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379622.0 NaN    NaN    NaN    NaN    NaN    NaN    NaN    NaN

Tags      13.0    14.0    ...  4639.0  4646.0  4661.0  4682.0  4683.0   \
OwnerUserId
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[1160 rows x 973 columns]
Dimensions of the Expert matrix: (1160, 973)

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3 Question 3

3.1 Metric of utility matrix

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Utility Matrix Metrics:
Summation value of the utility matrix: 41180.0
Highest row sum of the utility matrix: 1162.0
Highest column sum of the utility matrix: 1403.0

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3.2 Metric of training and test data

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Test Matrix Metrics:
dimensions: (174, 146)
Summation value of the utility matrix: 642.0
Highest row sum of the utility matrix: 136.0
Highest column sum of the utility matrix: 96.0
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4 Question 4

| Method | Rating Prediction Function | Metric | N | | |
|-----------|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | | N=2 | N=3 | N=5 |
| Item-Item | Simple average | RMSE | 0.8368 | 0.8068 | 0.7667 |
| | Weighted average | RMSE | 0.8369 | 0.8066 | 0.7681 |
| User-User | Simple average | RMSE | 0.7006 | 0.6903 | 0.6769 |
| | Weighted average | RMSE | 1.0257 | 0.7457 | 0.6830 |

- The RMSE decreases as the number of neighbors (N) increases. This suggests that the predictions become more accurate when more neighbors are considered.
- In this dataset the user-user similarities are higher than tag-tag similarities. Hence we get better performance for the user-user method.

5 Question 5

| Method | Metric | K=2 | K=5 | K=10 |
|------------------------|---|--------|--------|--------|
| Without Regularisation | RMSE | 0.7190 | 0.7008 | 0.6798 |
| With Regularisation | RMSE ($\lambda_1 = 0.001, \lambda_2 = 0.003$) | 0.7196 | 0.6937 | 0.6784 |
| | RMSE ($\lambda_1 = 0.05, \lambda_2 = 0.05$) | 0.7241 | 0.6885 | 0.6899 |
| | RMSE ($\lambda_1 = 0.50, \lambda_2 = 0.75$) | 0.8515 | 0.8513 | 0.8514 |

- The RMSE value decreases as we increase the no.of Latent factors(K). This is because when we have more latent factors hence information can be gathered.
- The model achieves best performance when $\lambda_1 = 0.001, \lambda_2 = 0.003$ and $K = 10$
- We observe that for high values $\lambda_1 = 0.50, \lambda_2 = 0.75$, the RMSE is greater than without regularization. Therefore choosing optimal hyperparameters (λ_1, λ_2) is important to enhance the model's performance.

6 Question 6

6.1 Collaborative Recommendation

| Algorithm | Method | RMSE for N=2 | RMSE for N=3 | RMSE for N=5 |
|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Item-Item | Our method | 0.8368 | 0.8066 | 0.7667 |
| | Surprise | 0.7669 | 0.7276 | 0.6942 |
| User-User | our method | 0.7007 | 0.6904 | 0.6770 |
| | Surprise | 0.6711 | 0.6439 | 0.6278 |

- In the Surprise Library, the KNNBaseline method uses an extra baseline rating along with ratings of similar items.
- But in our method we predict the rating only using the ratings of similar items. Hence the Surprise Library method performs better than our method.

6.2 Matrix Factorization Recommendation

| Method | RMSE for K=2 | RMSE for K=5 | RMSE for K=10 |
|------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Our method | 0.7190 | 0.6885 | 0.6784 |
| Surprise | 0.7275 | 0.7281 | 0.7129 |

The following Table gives the best Hyper-parameters obtained for our method and Surprise Library method

| Method | Hyperparameters for K=2 | Hyperparameters for K=5 | Hyperparameters for K=10 |
|------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| Our method | Without Regularisation | $\lambda_1 = 0.05, \lambda_2 = 0.05$ | $\lambda_1 = 0.001, \lambda_2 = 0.003$ |
| Surprise | $\lambda_1 = 0.001, \lambda_2 = 0.003$ | Without Regularisation | Without Regularisation |

- We observe that best performance is obtained without regularisation (or) with very low values of regularisation constants in both Our method and Surprise Library method.