# 4 - Building Models - Part Two

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```
import org.apache.spark.sql.{DataFrame, Row, SQLContext}
import org.apache.spark.sql.functions._
import org.apache.spark.sql.types._

val sqlContext = new SQLContext(sc)

val csv = "com.databricks.spark.csv"
val csvOptions = Map("delimiter" -> ",", "header" -> "true", "inferSchema" -> "false")
```

```
val train2013File = "/Users/radek.ostrowski/git/expedia-kaggle/data/train-2013"
val test2014File = "/Users/radek.ostrowski/git/expedia-kaggle/data/test-2014"
val destinationsFile = "/Users/radek.ostrowski/git/expedia-kaggle/data/destinations.csv
```

```
val trainDf = sqlContext.read.load(train2013File)
val testDf = sqlContext.read.load(test2014File)
```

```
val map5 = udf((correct: String, answers: String) => {
    if(answers == null || answers.isEmpty) 0.0
    else {
       val l = answers.split(" ").toList
       val i = l.indexOf(correct)
       if(i == -1) 0.0
       else 1.0/(i+1)
    }
})
```

## **Hand-made Models**

How would we deal with new users? We couldn't use CF.

What if we find top 5 hotel clusters per srch destination id?

Top 5 hotel\_clusters per srch\_destination\_id

```
def getTopClustersPerDestination(dfTrain: DataFrame, top: Int=5): DataFrame = {
    val ordered = dfTrain.select("srch_destination_id", "hotel_cluster", "is_booking")
      .groupBy("srch_destination_id", "hotel_cluster").agg(sum("is_booking").as("s"), c
    val merge = udf((sum: Long, count: Long) => {
      //book counts as 1, click counts as 0.15
      sum * 0.85 + count * 0.15
    })
    val agg = ordered.withColumn("counts", merge(ordered("s"), ordered("c")))
      .select("srch_destination_id", "hotel_cluster", "counts")
   val sorted = agg.rdd.map(r => (r.getString(0), (r.getDouble(2), r.getString(1))))
      .groupByKey().mapValues(x =>
        x.toList.sortWith(\_._1 > \_._1).take(top).map(z => z._2).mkString(" "))
    sqlContext.createDataFrame(sorted.map(x => Row.fromTuple(x)), StructType(
      Seq(StructField("srch_destination_id", StringType, false),
          StructField("hotel_cluster_top_per_dest", StringType, false))))
}
```

val topPerDestinationDf = getTopClustersPerDestination(trainDf)

display(topPerDestinationDf)







val toScoreDf = testDf.select("id","srch\_destination\_id","hotel\_cluster")
 .join(topPerDestinationDf, Seq("srch\_destination\_id"))
toScoreDf.withColumn("score", map5(toScoreDf("hotel\_cluster"), toScoreDf("hotel\_cluster
 .agg(avg("score")).show()

+----+ | avg(score)| +-----+ |0.30815156937413646| +-------

Wow, the score is so much better then the best model so far.

And not all the five guesses were made, so it could improved be filling up with top clusters in general

#### Users' previous hotel clusters per srch destination id

Let's check if suggesting to the users hotels from their past would score well

```
def getPreviousYearsHotelClusters(dfTrain: DataFrame): DataFrame = {
    val previousYearsRdd = dfTrain.select("user_id", "srch_destination_id", "hotel_clus
      .groupBy("user_id", "srch_destination_id", "hotel_cluster")
      .agg(sum("is_booking").as("s"), count("is_booking").as("c"))
    val merge = udf((sum: Long, count: Long) => {
      //booking = 1.5, click = 0.6
      sum * 0.9 + count * 0.6
    })
    val agg = previousYearsRdd.withColumn("counts", merge(previousYearsRdd("s"), previousYearsRdd("s"), previousYearsRdd("s")
      .select("user_id", "srch_destination_id", "hotel_cluster", "counts")
    val sorted = agg.rdd.map(r => ((r.getString(0), r.getString(1)), (r.getString(2), r
      .mapValues(k => k.toList.sortBy(_._2)(Ordering.Double.reverse).take(5).map(x => x
      .map(x => (x._1._1, x._1._2, x._2))
    sqlContext.createDataFrame(sorted.map(x => Row.fromTuple(x)), StructType(
      Seq(StructField("user_id", StringType, false), StructField("srch_destination_id",
        StructField("hotel_cluster_past", StringType, false))))
}
```

val pastHotelClustersDf = getPreviousYearsHotelClusters(trainDf)

display(pastHotelClustersDf)





```
val toScoreDf = testDf.select("user_id","srch_destination_id","hotel_cluster")
    .join(pastHotelClustersDf, Seq("user_id","srch_destination_id"))
toScoreDf.withColumn("score", map5(toScoreDf("hotel_cluster"), toScoreDf("hotel_cluster
    .agg(avg("score")).show()
```

+-----+ | avg(score)| +-----+ |0.35289974815776975| +------+

Even better then the previous model! But for a smaller number of records, though.

toScoreDf.count

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#### **Mixed Models**

Let's combine the two best models so far

```
val mergeModels = udf((past: String, topDest: String) => {
    def toList(s: String) = {
        if (s != null && !s.equals("null")) s.split(" ").toList else List()
    }

    val pastList = toList(past)
    val topDestList = toList(topDest)

    //merge the models, remove duplicate hotel clusters, and only take top 5
        (pastList ++ topDestList).distinct.take(5).mkString(" ")
})
```

```
val mixedModelDf = testDf.select("id","user_id","srch_children_cnt","srch_destination_i
.join(topPerDestinationDf, Seq("srch_destination_id"))
.join(pastHotelClustersDf, Seq("user_id","srch_destination_id"))
```

```
toScoreDf.withColumn("score", map5(toScoreDf("hotel_cluster"), toScoreDf("hotel_cluster
.agg(avg("score")).show()
```

```
+----+
| avg(score)|
+-----+
|0.41067068408461144|
+-----+
```

Wow, the mixed model is even better.

#### Improving the best model

Let's try topping up, up to 5 predictions, using top 5 hotel\_clusters in general

```
def getTopClusters(dfTrain: DataFrame, top: Int=5) = {
   val ordered = dfTrain.select("hotel_cluster", "is_booking")
        .groupBy("hotel_cluster").agg(sum("is_booking").as("s"), count("is_booking").as("
   val merge = udf((sum: Long, count: Long) => {
        //book counts as 1, click counts as 0.15
        sum * 0.85 + count * 0.15
   })
   val agg = ordered.withColumn("counts", merge(ordered("s"), ordered("c")))
   agg.select("hotel_cluster", "counts").orderBy(agg("counts").desc)
        .take(top).map(r => r.getString(0)).toList.mkString(" ")
}
```

```
val topClusters = getTopClusters(trainDf)
```

So, the top hotel clusters in general are 91, 48, 59, 41, 64. Let's top up the mixed model.

```
val mergeModels2 = udf((past: String, topDest: String, top: String) => {
    def toList(s: String) = {
        if (s != null && !s.equals("null")) s.split(" ").toList else List()
    }

    val topList = toList(top)
    val pastList = toList(past)
    val topDestList = toList(topDest)

    //merge the models, remove duplicate hotel clusters, top up with most popular in (pastList ++ topDestList ++ topList).distinct.take(5).mkString(" ")
})
```

```
avg(score)|
+----+
|0.41070185606901316|
+-----+
```

#### Reorder the predictions

What if the same hotel\_cluster is present in user's past and in the most popular? Let's promote it and find out.

```
def promoteCommonClusters(a: List[String], b: List[String]): List[String] = {
   val bufLeft = scala.collection.mutable.ListBuffer.empty[String]
   val bufRight = scala.collection.mutable.ListBuffer.empty[String]
   for (x <- a) {
      if (b.contains(x)) bufLeft.append(x) else bufRight.append(x)
   }
   (bufLeft ++ bufRight ++ b).toList.distinct.take(5)
}</pre>
```

```
val mergeModels3 = udf((past: String, topDest: String) => {
    def toList(s: String) = {
        if (s != null && !s.equals("null")) s.split(" ").toList else List()
    }

    val topList = List("91", "48", "59", "41", "64")
    val pastList = toList(past)
    val topDestList = toList(topDest)

    (promoteCommonClusters(pastList,topDestList) ++ topList).distinct.take(5).mkString
})
```

```
+----+
| avg(score)|
+-----+
|0.40911304400250964|
+-----+
```

It's slightly worse, so let's forget it.

## Adjust the model for parents

Assumption: if some hotels don't allow children, they can be removed from the prediction if the user is booking in with children

```
val acceptChildrenDf = trainDf.where("srch_children_cnt IS NOT NULL AND srch_children_c
    .select("hotel_cluster", "srch_destination_id").distinct

val noChildrenDf = trainDf.select("hotel_cluster", "srch_destination_id").distinct
    .except(acceptChildrenDf)
```

display(noChildrenClustersDf)







```
val mergeModels4 = udf((past: String, topDest: String, hasChildren: String, childrenNot
    def toList(s: String) = {
        if (s != null && !s.equals("null")) s.split(" ").toList else List()
    }

    val isParent = if(hasChildren != null && !hasChildren.equals("null")) hasChildren
    val noChildrenList = toList(childrenNotAllowed)

    val topList = List("91", "48", "59", "41", "64")
    val pastList = toList(past)
    val topDestList = toList(topDest)

    val predictions = (pastList ++ topDestList ++ topList)
    val parentPredictions = predictions.filter(x => !noChildrenList.contains(x))

    (if(isParent) parentPredictions else predictions).distinct.take(5).mkString(" ")
})
```

```
+----+
| avg(score)|
+-----+
|0.41070000630290543|
+-----+
```

This slighlty decreased the score, so let's forget it too. It seems that the definition of hotels not accepting children is not correct, and it removed valid hotels from the prediction.

# **Summary**

The best model found is a mixed model combining users' history of clicks and bookings, most common hotel clusters per destination and the top hotel clusters in general.

Achieved score is 0.410701856 which is equivalent on average to recommending the correct hotel half time at second and half time at third place. Second place would be 0.5 and third would be 0.333.

Success! It significantly beats the Most Frequent Benchmark: 0.0695994

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