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# Predicting Movie Ratings:

Users rate 0-5 stars.

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Movie	Alice	Bob	Carol	Dave
Love at Last	5	5	0	0
Romance Forever	5	?	?	0
Cute Puppies	?	4	0	?
Car Chases	0	0	5	4
Swords vs Karate	0	0	5	?

Notation:

$$N_u = \# \text{ users}$$

$$N_m = \# \text{ movies}$$

$$r(i, j) = 1 \text{ if user } j \text{ has rated movie } i$$

$$y^{(i, j)} = \text{rating (0-5) given by user } j \text{ to movie } i$$

↳ defined only if  $r(i, j) = 1$

Goal: Predict ratings for '?' to recommend new movies.

# Content-Based Recommender Systems!

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.9 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Movie	Alice (1)	Bob (2)	Carol (3)	Dave (4)	$x_1$ (romance)	$x_2$ (action)
$X^{(1)}$ Love at last	5	5	0	0	0.9	0
$X^{(2)}$ Romance forever	5	?	?	0	1.0	0.01
$X^{(3)}$ Cute puppies of love	?	4	0	?	0.99	0
$X^{(4)}$ Nonstop car chases	0	0	5	4	0.1	1.0
$X^{(5)}$ Swords vs. karate	0	0	5	?	0	0.9

$$n_u = 4$$

$$n_m = 5$$

$$x_0 = 1 \rightarrow \text{default}$$

$$n=2 \text{ (# features)}$$

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.9 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1.0 \\ 0.01 \end{bmatrix}, \text{etc}$$

For each user  $j$ , learn a parameter  $\theta^{(j)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .  
 Predict user  $j$  as rating movie  $i$  w/  $(\theta^{(j)})^T x^{(i)}$  stars.

e.g.  
 $x^{(3)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.99 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \theta^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, (\theta^{(1)})^T x^{(3)} = (5)(0.99) = 4.95$

## Problem Formulation:

$r(i, j) = 1$  if user  $j$  has rated movie  $i$  (0 otherwise)

$y^{(i, j)}$  = rating by user  $j$  on movie  $i$  if defined

$\theta^{(j)}$  = parameter vector for user  $j$

$x^{(i)}$  = feature vector for movie  $i$

$(\theta^{(j)})^T x^{(i)}$  = predicted rating

$m^{(j)}$  = # movies rated by user  $j$

## To Learn $\theta^{(j)}$ :

$$\min_{\theta^{(j)}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i: r(i, j) = 1} ((\theta^{(j)})^T x^{(i)} - y^{(i, j)})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n (\theta_k^{(j)})^2$$

## To Learn $\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \dots, \theta^{(m)}$ :

$$J(\theta^{(1)}, \dots, \theta^{(m)})$$

$$= \min_{\theta^{(1)}, \dots, \theta^{(m)}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_u} \sum_{i: r(i, j) = 1} ((\theta^{(j)})^T x^{(i)} - y^{(i, j)})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_u} \sum_{k=1}^n (\theta_k^{(j)})^2$$

## Gradient Descent Update:

$$\theta_k^{(j)} := \theta_k^{(j)} - \alpha \sum_{i: r(i,j)=1} ((\theta^{(j)})^T x^{(i)} - y^{(i,j)}) x_k^{(i)} \quad \text{for } k=0$$

$$\theta_k^{(j)} := \theta_k^{(j)} - \alpha \left( \sum_{i: r(i,j)=1} ((\theta^{(j)})^T x^{(i)} - y^{(i,j)}) x_k^{(i)} + \lambda \theta_k^{(j)} \right) \quad \text{for } k \neq 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_k^{(j)}} J(\theta^{(0)}, \dots, \theta^{(n)})$$