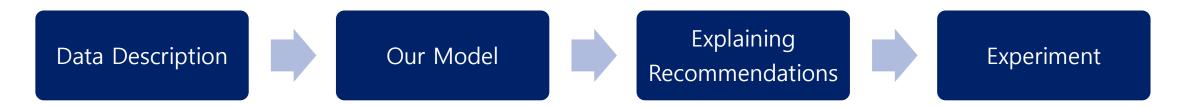


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Abstract

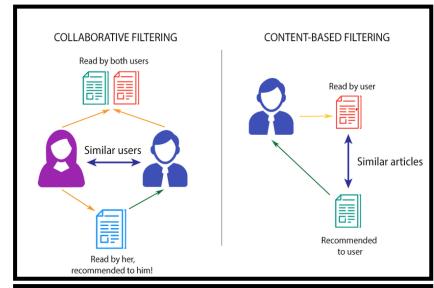
- We identify unique properties of implicit feedback datasets.
- We propose treating the data as indication of positive and negative **preference** associated with vastly varying **confidence levels**.
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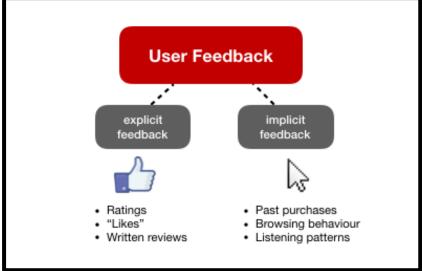
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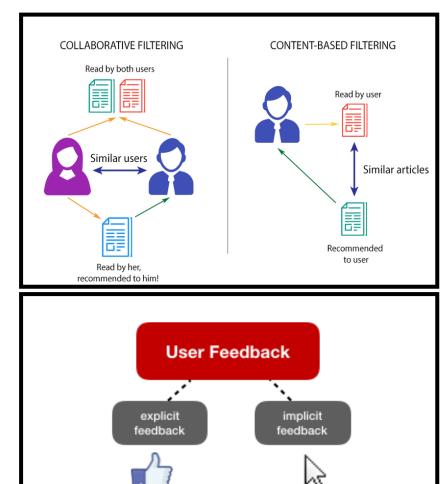
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· "Likes"

· Written reviews

Past purchases

Browsing behaviour

· Listening patterns



- Introduction
 - Motivation
 - However, content-based strategies require gathering external information that might not be available or easy to collect.
 - Explicit feedback is not always available.
 - In many practical situations recommender systems need to be centered on **implicit feedback**.

-> Use Collaborative Filtering & Implicit datasets for real world



Introduction

- Prime characteristics of Implicit datasets
 - No negative feedback
 - It is crucial to address also the missing data, which is where most negative feedback is expected to be found.
 - ② Implicit feedback is inherently noisy
 - Ex) We may view purchase behavior for an individual, but this does **not** necessarily indicate **a positive view of the product**.
 - 3 The numerical value of explicit feedback indicates preferences, wheareas the numerical value of implicit feedback indicates confidence.
 - A larger value is **not** indicating a **higher preference**.
 - The numerical value of the feedback is **definitely useful**, as it tells us about the **confidence** that we have in a certain observation.
 - 4 Evaluation of implicit feedback recommender requires appropriate measures



Preliminaries

- For **explicit feedback datasets**, those values would be ratings that indicate the preference by user u of item i, where high values mean stronger preference.
 - Explicit ratings are typically unknown for the vast majority of user-item pairs, hence applicable algorithms work with the relatively few known ratings while ignoring the missing ones.
- For implicit feedback datasets, those values would indicate observations for user actions.
 - it would be natural to assign values to all r_{ui} variables.
 - -> Emphasize that implicit data should also focus on missing values



- Previous work (CF)
 - Neighborhood models
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 - The prediction is done by taking an inner product, i.e., $r_{ui} = x_u^T y_i$.

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-> The results tend to be consistently superior to those achieved by neighborhood models.



- Our model
 - Formalize the notions (Preference, Confidence)
 - Cost function
 - Optimization Techniques
 - Trick for reducing time complexity
 - Predict Preference

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 - Formalize the notions (Preference, Confidence)
 - Preference
 - Consuming an item can also be the result of factors different from preferring it.

$$p_{ui} = \begin{cases} 1 & r_{ui} > 0 \\ 0 & r_{ui} = 0 \end{cases}$$

- Confidence
 - We will have different confidence levels also among items that are indicated to be preferred by the user.
 - In general, as r_{ui} grows, we have a stronger indication that the user indeed likes the item.

$$c_{ui} = 1 + \alpha r_{ui}$$
$$c_{ui} = 1 + \alpha \log(1 + r_{ui}/\epsilon).$$



- Our model
 - Cost function
 - Our goal is to find a vector $x_u \in \mathbb{R}^f$ for each user u, and a vector $y_i \in \mathbb{R}^f$ for each item i that will factor user preferences.
 - In other words, preferences are assumed to be the inner products: $p_{ui} = x_u^T y_i$.

$$\min_{x_{\star},y_{\star}} \sum_{u,i} c_{ui} (p_{ui} - x_u^T y_i)^2 + \lambda \left(\sum_{u} \|x_u\|^2 + \sum_{i} \|y_i\|^2 \right)$$
-> SSE
-> Regularizing



Our model

- Optimization Techniques
 - For typical datasets m · n can easily reach a few billion. This huge number of terms **prevents** most direct optimization techniques such as **stochastic gradient descent**, which was widely used for explicit feedback datasets.
 - Observe that when either the user-factors or the item- factors are **fixed**, the cost function becomes **quadratic** so its global minimum can be readily computed.

$$\min_{x_{\star}, y_{\star}} \sum_{u, i} c_{ui} (p_{ui} - \underline{x_{u}^{T} y_{i}})^{2} + \lambda \left(\sum_{u} ||x_{u}||^{2} + \sum_{i} ||y_{i}||^{2} \right) \qquad x_{u} = (Y^{T} C^{u} Y + \lambda I)^{-1} Y^{T} C^{u} p(u)
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- Our model
 - Trick for reducing time complexity
 - A **computational bottleneck** here is computing Y^TC_uY , whose naive calculation will require time $O(f^2 n)$ (for each of the m users).
 - Use $Y^TC^uY = Y^TY + Y^T(C^u I)Y$

$$x_u = (\underline{Y^T C^u Y + \lambda I})^{-1} Y^T C^u p(u)$$

-> Computational Bottleneck

② So Use
$$Y^TC^uY = Y^TY + Y^T(C^u - I)Y$$
.

-> Only non-zero elements(n_u)

$$n_u \ll n$$

- ① m * {O(f^2n) + matrix inversion time} \cong m * O($f^2n + f^3$)
- ② $O(f^2N + f^3m)$ N: overall number of non-zero observations
 - -> ② Is better and Scalable



- Explaining Recommendations
 - A good recommendation should be accompanied with **an explanation**, which is a short description to why a specific product was recommended to the user.
 - Use concepts of Neighborhood methods

$$\hat{p}_{ui} = y_i^T x_u$$

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By comparing the values of each term, the effect of item j on the predicted p_{ui} value can be quantified.

-> Explaining Recommendations



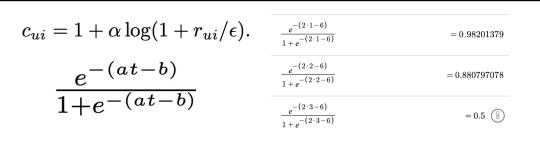
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 - Evaluating methodology
 - Evaluating results



- Experiment study
 - Define Task
 - Our system is trained using the recent 4 weeks of data in order to generate predictions of what users will watch in the
 ensuing week.
 - Data description
 - 300,000 set top boxes, 17,000 unique programs
 - No personally identifiable information was collected in connection with this research.
 - Data Preprocessing
 - We remove the "easy" predictions from the test set corresponding to the shows that had been watched by that user during the training period.
 - We toggle to zero all entries with $r_{ui}^t < 0.5$, as watching less than half of a program is not a strong indication that a user

likes the program.

- We employ the **log scaling** scheme
- Consider Momentum effect





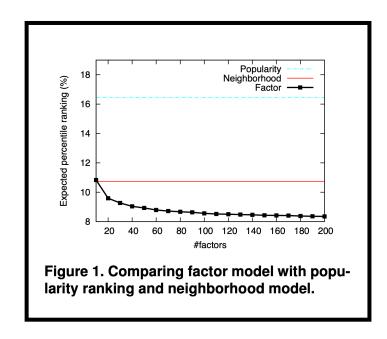
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 - $rank_{ui} = 0\%$ would mean that program i is predicted to be the most desirable for user u
 - We opted for using **percentile-ranks** rather than absolute ranks in order to make our discussion general and independent of the number of programs.

$$\overline{rank} = \frac{\sum_{u,i} r_{ui}^t rank_{ui}}{\sum_{u,i} r_{ui}^t}$$
: Do the actual view records and Rank results match?

Lower values of rank_bar are more desirable.



- Experiment study
 - Evaluating results
 - We recommend working with the highest number of factors feasible within computational limitations.



$$\min_{x_{\star},y_{\star}} \sum_{u,i} (r_{ui} - x_{u}^{T}y_{i})^{2} + \lambda_{1} \left(\sum_{u} \|x_{u}\|^{2} + \sum_{i} \|y_{i}\|^{2} \right)$$

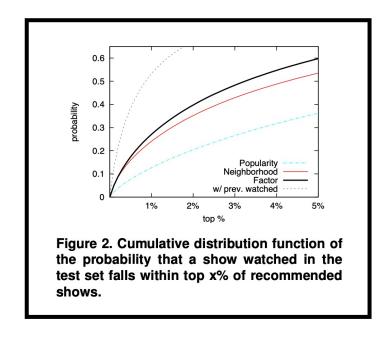
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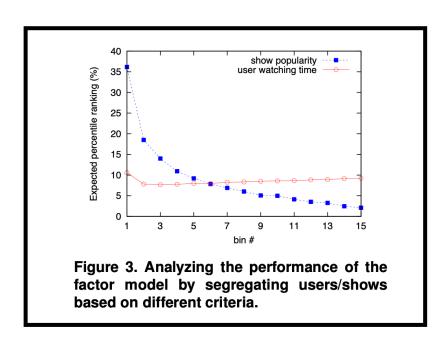
$$\min_{x_{\star},y_{\star}} \sum_{u,i} (p_{ui} - x_{u}^{T}y_{i})^{2} + \lambda_{2} \left(\sum_{u} \|x_{u}\|^{2} + \sum_{i} \|y_{i}\|^{2} \right)$$

$$(10)$$



- Experiment study
 - Evaluating results
 - Predicting rewatching a program is much easier than predicting a first time view of a program.
 - It becomes much easier to predict popular programs, while it is increasingly difficult to predict watching a non popular show.
 - This was somewhat unexpected, as our experience with explicit feedback datasets was that as we gather more information on users, prediction quality significantly increases.







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 - These **common-sense explanations** help the user understand why certain shows are recommended and are similar to explanations returned by neighbor methods.

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Discussion

- For Implicit feedback datasets
 - Preference Confidence partition
 - Taking all user item values as an input
 - Exploit the algebraic structure for scalability Issue
- Explaining Recommendations
- Future works
 - A more careful analysis would split **those zero values into different confidence levels**, perhaps based on availability of the item.
- Limitation
 - Setup is designed to evaluate how well a model can predict future **user behavior**.

Code Review





Our Model

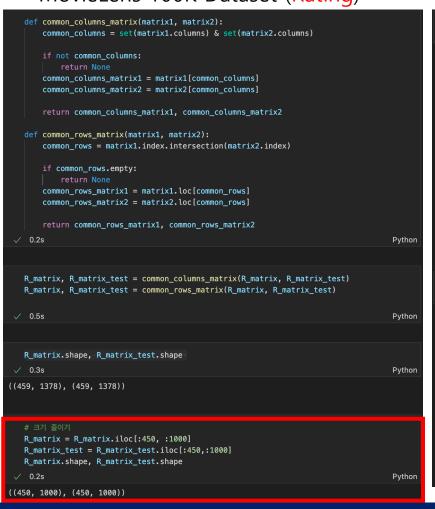


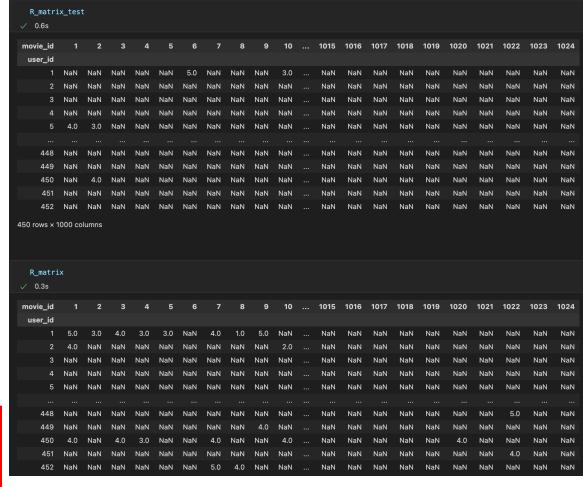
Explaining Recommendations



Experiment

- Data Description
 - MovieLens 100K Dataset (Rating)





- Our model
 - Preference matrix & Confidence matrix

```
# M: User , N : Item

M = R_matrix.shape[0]

N = R_matrix.shape[1]

# Latent matrix

X = np.random.rand(M, dimension) * 0.01 # 0 ~ 0.01 사이 난수

Y = np.random.rand(N, dimension) * 0.01

✓ 0.2s

# P_matrix 설정

P_matrix = np.copy(R_matrix)

P_matrix[P_matrix > 0] = 1

P_matrix = np.nan_to_num(P_matrix, nan=0)

# C_matrix 설정

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# C_matrix = 1 + alpha * R_matrix 도 존재

C_matrix = 1 + np.log(1+ np.nan_to_num(R_matrix) / 10**(-8)) # 로그 스케일을 쓰는 방법

✓ 0.4s
```

Cost Function

```
def loss_function(C_matrix, P_matrix, xTy, X, Y, lambda_for_regularization):
# 첫 번째 항
predict_error = np.square(P_matrix - xTy)
confidence_error = np.nansum(C_matrix * predict_error)

# 두 번째 항
regularization = lambda_for_regularization * (np.nansum(np.square(X)) + np.nansum(np.square(Y)))
total_loss = confidence_error + regularization
return np.nansum(predict_error), confidence_error, regularization, total_loss

✓ 0.2s
```

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- Our model
 - Optimization

for u in range(M):

```
Cu = np.diag(C_matrix[u])
yT_Cu_y = yTy + np.matmul(np.matmul(np.transpose(Y), Cu - np.identity(N)), Y) # 시간복잡도 Trick 사용된
lI = np.dot(lambda_for_regularization, np.identity(dimension))
yT_Cu_pu = np.matmul(np.transpose(Y),P_matrix[u])+ np.matmul(np.transpose(Y), Cu - np.identity(N)), P_matrix[u])
X[u] = np.linalg.solve(yT_Cu_y + lI, yT_Cu_pu) # Ax = bold x를 구하는 데 사용되는 함수

def optimize_item(X, Y, C_matrix, P_matrix, M, N, dimension, lambda_for_regularization, xTx):
for i in range(N):
    Ci = np.diag(C_matrix[:, i])
    xT_Ci_x = xTx + np.matmul(np.matmul(np.transpose(X), Ci - np.identity(M)), X)
    lI = np.dot(lambda_for_regularization, np.identity(dimension))
    xT_Ci_pi = np.matmul(np.transpose(X),P_matrix[:, i]) + np.matmul(np.transpose(X), Ci-np.identity(M)), P_matrix[:, i])
    Y[i] = np.linalg.solve(xT_Ci_x + lI, xT_Ci_pi) # Ax = bold x를 구하는 데 사용되는 함수
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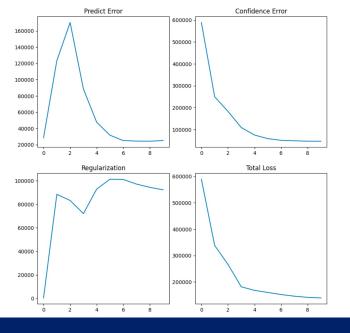
def optimize_user(X, Y, C_matrix, P_matrix, M, N, dimension,lambda_for_regularization, yTy):

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for i in range(10):
    if i!=0:
        yTy = np.matmul(np.transpose(Y),Y)
        xTx = np.matmul(np.transpose(X),X)
        optimize_user(X, Y, C_matrix, P_matrix, M, N, dimension, lambda_for_regularization, yTy)
        optimize_item(X, Y, C_matrix, P_matrix, M, N, dimension, lambda_for_regularization, xTx)

predict = np.matmul(X, np.transpose(Y))
    predict_error, confidence_error, regularization, total_loss = loss_function(C_matrix, P_matrix, predict, X, Y, lambda_for_regularization)
```

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Explaining Recommendations

```
# Pui 값 구하기
  def Predict P matrix(Y, C matrix, R matrix, user):
      Cu = np.diag(C_matrix[user])
      yT_Cu_y = np.matmul(np.matmul(np.transpose(Y), Cu), Y)
       lI = np.dot(lambda for regularization, np.identity(dimension))
      Weight = np.linalg.inv(yT_Cu_y + lI)
      similarity = np.matmul(np.matmul(Y, Weight), np.transpose(Y))
      C_matrix[R_matrix.isnull()] = 0
      Predict_P_matrix = np.matmul(similarity, np.transpose(C_matrix[user]))
      return Predict P_matrix
   0.2s
   # User 2의 예측값
   Explain = Predict_P_matrix(Y, C_matrix, R_matrix, 2)
   Explain
 ✓ 0.8s
array([0.98097167, 1.0752303 , 0.98564925, 1.03207221, 0.97509071,
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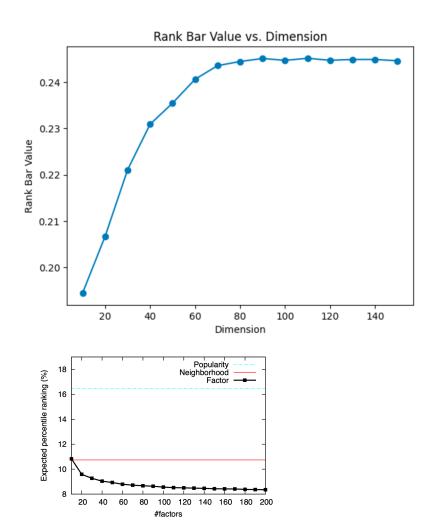


Figure 1. Comparing factor model with popularity ranking and neighborhood model.

Thank you for watching!

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