# CMPE 211 - Data Structures and Algorithms

## Project - Recommender Systems From Scratch

Necessary steps for building a recommender system is explained in the course. You can find the material at https://github.com/uzay00/CMPE211. Based on our discussions, implement a recommender system from scratch with Java. Use what you have learned in our CMPE 211 - Data Structures and Algorithms course.

### Part 0 Data

- 1P Choose an appropriate data structure.
- 1P Load MovieLens Data to a nested symbol table.

### Part 1 User-based recommendation

- 1P write a dist() function
- 1P write a *intersection()* function
- 1P write a  $sim_distance()$  function
- 2P write a topMatches() function
- 2P write a getRecommendations() function

#### Part 2 Item-based recommendation

- 1P write a transformPrefs() function
- 1P apply Part 1 function to transformed data.
- 2P write a calculateSimilarItems() function
- 2P write a getRecommendedItems() function and apply to movielens data

**Bonus** Discuss possible research directions based on this recommender system. You may get extra points for your creative thinking for the discussion part of our course.