# 1. Installing and Setting Up Kaggle API

```
!pip install kaggle
!mkdir ~/.kaggle
!echo '{"username":"your_username","key":"your_api_key"}' > ~/.kaggle/kaggle.json
!chmod 600 ~/.kaggle/kaggle.json
```

- . Installs the Kaggle library to download datasets.
- Creates a folder ( ~/ .kaggle ) to store your Kaggle API key, which allows secure access to your Kaggle account.
- Saves the API key as kaggle.json and sets file permissions to ensure security.

# 2. Importing Libraries

```
import kagglehub
import os
```

- kagglehub: Makes downloading Kaggle datasets simple.
- os: Helps manage files and directories (e.g., paths).

#### 3. Downloading the Dataset

```
path = kagglehub.dataset_download("prajitdatta/movielens-100k-dataset")
print("Path to dataset files:", path)
print("Files in dataset directory:", os.listdir(path))
```

- Downloads the MovieLens 100k dataset from Kaggle.
- Prints the path where the dataset was downloaded and lists its contents.

# 4. Loading the Data

```
import pandas as pd
ratings = pd.read_csv(os.path.join(path, "ml-100k/u.data"), sep='\t', names=['userId', 'movieId', 'rating', 'timestamp'])
movies = pd.read_csv(os.path.join(path, "ml-100k/u.item"), sep='|', encoding='latin-1', names=['movieId', 'title'], usecols=[0, 1])
```

- Uses pandas to load the data:
  - u.data: Contains user ratings (user ID, movie ID, rating, timestamp).
  - u.item : Contains movie details (movie ID, title).
- Columns are renamed for clarity:
  - o ratings: Only keeps userld, movield, and rating columns (dropping timestamp).
  - movies: Only keeps movield and title columns.

# 5. Installing and Importing Surprise Library

```
!pip install scikit-surprise
from surprise import Dataset, Reader, SVD
from surprise.model_selection import train_test_split
from surprise import accuracy
```

- Installs the Surprise library, a toolkit for building recommendation systems.
- Imports:
  - SVD: The recommendation algorithm.
  - o Reader: Helps define the input data format.
  - o Dataset: Prepares data for the recommendation engine.
  - train\_test\_split: Splits data into training and testing sets.
  - o accuracy: Calculates how accurate the model's predictions are.

#### 6. Preparing the Data

```
reader = Reader(rating_scale=(1, 5))
data = Dataset.load_from_df(ratings, reader)
trainset, testset = train_test_split(data, test_size=0.25)
```

- 1. Define Rating Scale:
  - Reader(rating\_scale=(1, 5)): Indicates that movie ratings are between 1 and 5.
- 2. Load Data:
  - Converts the ratings dataframe into a format that the Surprise library understands.
- 3. Split Data:
  - train\_test\_split: Divides the dataset into training data (75%) and test data (25%).

### 7. Training the Model

```
model = SVD()
model.fit(trainset)
```

- 1. Choose Algorithm:
  - SVD (Singular Value Decomposition): A collaborative filtering method that uses mathematical techniques to find patterns in user ratings.
- 2. Train the Model:
  - model.fit(trainset): The SVD algorithm learns from the training data to predict user ratings.

# 8. Testing the Model

```
predictions = model.test(testset)
print("RMSE:", accuracy.rmse(predictions))
```

- 1. Make Predictions:
  - **model.test(testset)**: Predicts how users would rate the movies in the test data.
- 2. Measure Accuracy:
  - RMSE (Root Mean Square Error): Tells you how far the predicted ratings are from the actual ratings. A smaller RMSE means better predictions.

# 9. Recommending Movies

```
def get_recommendations(user_id, model, movies, ratings, n=10):
    rated_movie_ids = ratings[ratings['userId'] == user_id]['movieId'].tolist()
    unrated_movies = movies[~movies['movieId'].isin(rated_movie_ids)]
    predictions = [model.predict(user_id, movie_id) for movie_id in unrated_movies['movieId']]
    predictions.sort(key=lambda x: x.est, reverse=True)
    top_recommendations = predictions[:n]
    recommended_movie_ids = [pred.iid for pred in top_recommendations]
    return movies[movies['movieId'].isin(recommended_movie_ids)]
```

- 1. Identify Unrated Movies:
  - Finds all movies that the user hasn't rated yet.
- 2. Predict Ratings for Unrated Movies:
  - For each unrated movie, the model predicts how much the user would like it.
- 3. Sort by Predicted Rating:
  - $\circ \hspace{0.1in}$  Movies are sorted by their predicted ratings, from highest to lowest.
- 4. Return Top N Recommendations:

# 10. Example Usage

 $recommendations = \verb|get_recommendations(user_id=1)|, model=model, movies=movies, ratings=ratings, n=10) \\$ print(recommendations)

- Recommends the top 10 movies for user ID = 1.
  The output is a list of movie titles that the user is most likely to enjoy.

# Summary

- Dataset: The MovieLens 100k dataset provides the data for users, movies, and their ratings.
   Model: SVD learns patterns in user preferences to predict ratings for unseen movies.
- 3. **Evaluation**: RMSE is used to measure how accurate the model is.
- 4. Recommendations: A function is created to suggest top-rated movies for any user.