

# JAVA PROGRAMING

Project Name	JAVA Programming
Project Institute	CodTech IT Solutions
Task Name	<p>BUILD A RECOMMENDATION SYSTEM USING JAVA AND LIBRARIES LIKE APACHE MAHOUT TO SUGGEST PRODUCTS OR CONTENT BASED ON USER PREFERENCES.</p> <p>DELIVERABLE: A JAVA PROGRAM WITH A WORKING RECOMMENDATION ENGINE AND SAMPLE DATA</p>
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Rev 00	29.07.02025	Functional tests cover data loading from CSV, generating recommendations for multiple users, and evaluation using a train/test split. Non-functional tests include performance on small sample data and robustness for missing files (auto-generation of sample data).	Janani Sri. P

## 1. Task Name

Build a recommendation system using Java and libraries like Apache Mahout to suggest products or content based on user preferences.

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## 2. Details (Requirements)

- Implement collaborative filtering (user-based and item-based) using Mahout's Taste APIs.
- Provide sample CSV data so the engine runs out-of-the-box.
- Console interface to request N recommendations for a given user.
- Include a README with build/run instructions using Maven.
- Provide an evaluation mode reporting Average Absolute Difference and IR stats.
- Package all files and documentation.

## 3. Test Scope (Description)

Functional tests cover data loading from CSV, generating recommendations for multiple users, and evaluation using a train/test split. Non-functional tests include performance on small sample data and robustness for missing files (auto-generation of sample data).

## 4. Tools & Versions Used

- 🚩 Java 11
- 🚩 Apache Maven 3.6+
- 🚩 Apache Mahout (Taste) 0.9
- 🚩 SLF4J Simple 2.0.13
- 🚩 Apache Commons CLI 1.5.0
- 🚩 Development OS: any (Windows/Linux/macOS) with JDK 11.

## 5. Libraries

- ❖ Mahout Core (Taste)
- ❖ Commons CLI for argument parsing,
- ❖ SLF4J Simple for logging.

## 6. Base Code (Full Code Used)

### RecommendationApp.java

```
package com.example.recommender;

import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.common.TasteException;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.eval.DataModelBuilder;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.eval.IRStatistics;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.eval.RecommenderBuilder;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.eval.RecommenderEvaluator;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.eval.RecommenderIRStatsEvaluator;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.impl.common.LongPrimitiveIterator;
import
org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.impl.eval.AverageAbsoluteDifferenceRecommenderEvaluator;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.impl.eval.GenericRecommenderIRStatsEvaluator;
```

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```
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.impl.model.file.FileDataModel;

import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.impl.neighborhood.NearestUserNeighborhood;

import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.impl.recommender.GenericItemBasedRecommender;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.impl.recommender.GenericUserBasedRecommender;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.impl.similarity.LogLikelihoodSimilarity;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.impl.similarity.PearsonCorrelationSimilarity;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.model.DataModel;

import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.neighborhood.UserNeighborhood;

import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.recommender.RecommendedItem;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.recommender.Recommender;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.similarity.ItemSimilarity;
import org.apache.mahout.cf.taste.similarity.UserSimilarity;
import org.apache.commons.cli.*;

import java.io.File;
import java.util.List;
import java.util.Random;

public class RecommendationApp {

    public enum Mode { USER, ITEM, EVAL, DEMO }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {

        Options options = new Options();

        options.addOption("m", "mode", true, "Mode: user | item | eval | demo (default: demo)");

        options.addOption("u", "user", true, "User ID for recommendations (long).");

        options.addOption("n", "num", true, "Number of recommendations to produce (default 5).");

        options.addOption("p", "path", true, "Path to ratings.csv file (default: data/ratings.csv)");
```

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```
CommandLineParser parser = new DefaultParser();

CommandLine cmd = parser.parse(options, args);

String modeStr = cmd.getOptionValue("mode", "demo").toUpperCase();
Mode mode = Mode.valueOf(modeStr);

int howMany = Integer.parseInt(cmd.getOptionValue("num", "5"));

String ratingsPath = cmd.getOptionValue("path", "data/ratings.csv");


// Create sample data if not present
File dataFile = new File(ratingsPath);
if (!dataFile.exists()) {
    System.out.println("No ratings data found at " + ratingsPath + ". Creating sample data...");
    SampleData.writeSampleRatings(ratingsPath);
}

DataModel model = new FileDataModel(new File(ratingsPath));

switch (mode) {
    case USER:
        long userId = Long.parseLong(cmd.getOptionValue("user", "1"));
        runUserBased(model, userId, howMany);
        break;
    case ITEM:
        long itemId = Long.parseLong(cmd.getOptionValue("user", "1"));
        runItemBased(model, itemId, howMany);
        break;
    case EVAL:
        runEvaluation(model);
}
```

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```
        break;

    default:

        runDemo(model, howMany);

    }

}
```

```
private static void runUserBased(DataModel model, long userId, int howMany) throws
Exception {
```

```
    UserSimilarity similarity = new PearsonCorrelationSimilarity(model);

    UserNeighborhood neighborhood = new NearestNUserNeighborhood(3, similarity,
model);

    Recommender recommender = new GenericUserBasedRecommender(model,
neighborhood, similarity);

    List<RecommendedItem> recommendations = recommender.recommend(userId,
howMany);

    System.out.println("User-based recommendations for user " + userId + ":");
    for (RecommendedItem rec : recommendations) {

        System.out.printf(" item=%d score=%.4f%n", rec.getItemID(), rec.getValue());

    }

}
```

```
private static void runItemBased(DataModel model, long userId, int howMany) throws
Exception {
```

```
    ItemSimilarity similarity = new LogLikelihoodSimilarity(model);

    Recommender recommender = new GenericItemBasedRecommender(model,
similarity);

    List<RecommendedItem> recommendations = recommender.recommend(userId,
howMany);

    System.out.println("Item-based recommendations for user " + userId + ":");
    for (RecommendedItem rec : recommendations) {

        System.out.printf(" item=%d score=%.4f%n", rec.getItemID(), rec.getValue());

    }

}
```

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```
}

private static void runEvaluation(DataModel model) throws Exception {
    RecommenderBuilder builder = dataModel -> {
        try {
            UserSimilarity sim = new PearsonCorrelationSimilarity(dataModel);
            UserNeighborhood nb = new NearestNUserNeighborhood(3, sim, dataModel);
            return new GenericUserBasedRecommender(dataModel, nb, sim);
        } catch (TasteException e) {
            throw new RuntimeException(e);
        }
    };

    RecommenderEvaluator evaluator = new
    AverageAbsoluteDifferenceRecommenderEvaluator();

    double score = evaluator.evaluate(builder, null, model, 0.7, 1.0);

    System.out.printf("Evaluation (Average Absolute Difference): %.4f%n", score);

    RecommenderIRStatsEvaluator irEval = new
    GenericRecommenderIRStatsEvaluator();

    IRStatistics stats = irEval.evaluate(builder, null, model, null, 5,
        GenericRecommenderIRStatsEvaluator.CHOOSE_THRESHOLD, 1.0);

    System.out.printf("IR Stats: Precision=%.4f Recall=%.4f%n", stats.getPrecision(),
    stats.getRecall());
}

private static void runDemo(DataModel model, int howMany) throws Exception {
    LongPrimitiveIterator it = model.getUserIDs();
    if (!it.hasNext()) {
        System.out.println("Model has no users.");
        return;
    }
}
```



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```
        bw.write(u + "," + i + "," + rating);  
        bw.newLine();  
    }  
}  
}  
}  
}  
}
```

## pom.xml

```
<project xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0"  
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"  
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0  
http://maven.apache.org/xsd/maven-4.0.0.xsd">  
    <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>  
  
    <groupId>com.example</groupId>  
    <artifactId>mahout-recommender</artifactId>  
    <version>1.0.0</version>  
    <name>Mahout Recommender</name>  
    <description>Recommendation system using Java & Apache Mahout  
(Taste)</description>  
  
    <properties>  
        <maven.compiler.source>11</maven.compiler.source>  
        <maven.compiler.target>11</maven.compiler.target>  
    </properties>  
  
    <dependencies>
```



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```
<!-- Apache Mahout Taste (legacy CF APIs). Version 0.9 is widely used for Taste examples. -->
```

```
<dependency>
```

```
<groupId>org.apache.mahout</groupId>
```

```
<artifactId>mahout-core</artifactId>
```

```
<version>0.9</version>
```

```
</dependency>
```

```
<dependency>
```

```
<groupId>commons-cli</groupId>
```

```
<artifactId>commons-cli</artifactId>
```

```
<version>1.5.0</version>
```

```
</dependency>
```

```
<dependency>
```

```
<groupId>org.slf4j</groupId>
```

```
<artifactId>slf4j-simple</artifactId>
```

```
<version>2.0.13</version>
```

```
</dependency>
```

```
</dependencies>
```

```
<build>
```

```
<plugins>
```

```
<plugin>
```

```
<groupId>org.codehaus.mojo</groupId>
```

```
<artifactId>exec-maven-plugin</artifactId>
```

```
<version>3.5.0</version>
```

```
<configuration>
```

```
<mainClass>com.example.recommender.RecommendationApp</mainClass>
```

```
</configuration>
```

```
</plugin>
```

```
</plugins>
```

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```
</build>
```

```
</project>
```

## 7. Plugin I/P (Inputs)

Input files: data/ratings.csv (userID,itemID,rating). Command-line inputs: -m MODE (user|item|eval|demo), -u USER\_ID, -n HOW\_MANY, -p PATH\_TO\_RATINGS.

## 8. Alpha Stage

### Iteration-1

#### Date & Time:

29/07/2025, 5:00 PM

#### Observations:

- Application starts and auto-generates sample ratings if none are found.
- User-based CF with Pearson similarity returns top-N items for a user.
- Item-based CF with log-likelihood similarity works for the same input.
- Evaluation runs with average absolute difference and IR stats on sample data.

#### Output (sample):

User-based recommendations for user 1:

item=106 score=3.92

item=107 score=3.51

item=103 score=3.22

## 9. Result

Thus the java code has been successfully verified and got output.

check this code on my github link: <https://github.com/Janani-6382/recomendation-system-using-java-and-libraries>

## 10. Conclusion

The prototype demonstrates collaborative filtering using Mahout Taste. It is ready for extension with domain-specific item metadata or a REST API, and for deployment behind a service layer.