# Movie Recommendation System

## Why add a recommendation system?

Amount of movie on the platform increases every month.

The tremendous growth of the movie catalogue on our platform has an adverse effect of making browsing movies tiring.

- Increase customer satisfaction
- Increase ease of use
- Direct effect on business profit

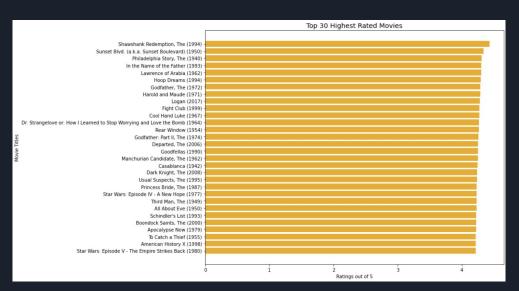


### **Unpersonalized Recommendation**

A list of the top 30 average highest rated movies on our platform.

A good idea to implement in the platform so that users can take a look at the most popular movies.

Fails to recommend for a more specific taste. For that, we need a personalized recommendation system.



	rating	title	genres
movieId			
318	4.429022	Shawshank Redemption, The (1994)	Crime Drama
922	4.333333	Sunset Blvd. (a.k.a. Sunset Boulevard) (1950)	Drama Film-Noir Romance
898	4.310345	Philadelphia Story, The (1940)	Comedy Drama Romance
475	4.300000	In the Name of the Father (1993)	Drama
1204	4.300000	Lawrence of Arabia (1962)	Adventure Drama War
246	4.293103	Hoop Dreams (1994)	Documentary
858	4.289062	Godfather, The (1972)	Crime Drama
1235	4.288462	Harold and Maude (1971)	Comedy Drama Romance
168252	4.280000	Logan (2017)	Action Sci-Fi
2959	4.272936	Fight Club (1999)	Action Crime Drama Thriller
1276	4.271930	Cool Hand Luke (1967)	Drama
750	4.268041	Dr. Strangelove or: How I Learned to Stop Worr	Comedy War
904	4.261905	Rear Window (1954)	Mystery Thriller
1221	4.259690	Godfather: Part II, The (1974)	Crime Drama
48516	4.252336	Departed, The (2006)	Crime Drama Thriller
1213	4.250000	Goodfellas (1990)	Crime Drama
1267	4.250000	Manchurian Candidate, The (1962)	Crime Thriller War
912	4.240000	Casablanca (1942)	Drama Romance
58559	4.238255	Dark Knight, The (2008)	Action Crime Drama IMAX
50	4.237745	Usual Suspects, The (1995)	Crime Mystery Thriller
1197	4.232394	Princess Bride, The (1987)	Action Adventure Comedy Fantasy Romance
260	4.231076	Star Wars: Episode IV - A New Hope (1977)	Action Adventure Sci-Fi
1212	4.229167	Third Man, The (1949)	Film-Noir Mystery Thriller
926	4.229167	All About Eve (1950)	Drama

## Personalized Recommendations Content-Based vs Collaborative Filtering

#### **Content Based**

- Make use of tags to find similar items
- Requires manpower and time to tag the items

#### **Collaborative Filtering**

The main idea is that similar users share the same interests and users tend to like items that are similar.

- KNN Neighbour / Memory-Based
  - User-based users are compared
  - Item-based items are compared. Tagging is not needed, instead common users between items are compared.
- Model-Based/ Matrix Factorization
  - Scales well with large data
  - Complete input data is not required

## K-Nearest Neighbour Item Based Recommender

<pre>similar_movies("Toy Story")</pre>				<pre>similar_movies("Mean Girls")</pre>		
	Title	Distance		Title	Distance	
1	Back to the Future (1985)	0.469619	1	Friends with Benefits (2011)	0.528908	
2	Groundhog Day (1993)	0.463985	2	Harold and Kumar Go to White Castle (2004)	0.522654	
3	Mission: Impossible (1996)	0.461087	3	Knocked Up (2007)	0.517965	
4	Star Wars: Episode VI - Return of the Jedi (1983)	0.458911	4	Girl Next Door, The (2004)	0.515201	
5	Lion King, The (1994)	0.458855	5	Bridesmaids (2011)	0.505240	
6	Forrest Gump (1994)	0.451747	6	Bring It On (2000)	0.500826	
7	Star Wars: Episode IV - A New Hope (1977)	0.442612	7	Napoleon Dynamite (2004)	0.495866	
8	Independence Day (a.k.a. ID4) (1996)	0.433992	8	How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days (2003)	0.488317	
9	Jurassic Park (1993)	0.433073	9	Elf (2003)	0.466852	
10	Toy Story 2 (1999)	0.427399	10	Legally Blonde (2001)	0.440918	

### Matrix Factorization/ Model-Based

#### Latent Variable Model

-explain complex relationships between variables using simple relationships between variables and their unobservable, underlying "latent" variables.

- preferences of users can be determined by hidden factors called embeddings that can be gotten using matrix factorization.

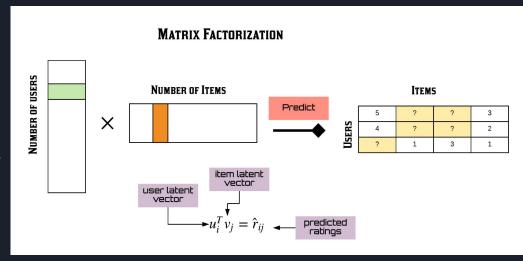
**Examples of Hidden Embeddings** 

**Movie** - How recently the movie is released.

- How action-driven. How dialogue-heavy.

**User** - How much does the user like romantic movies.

How much does the user like old movies.

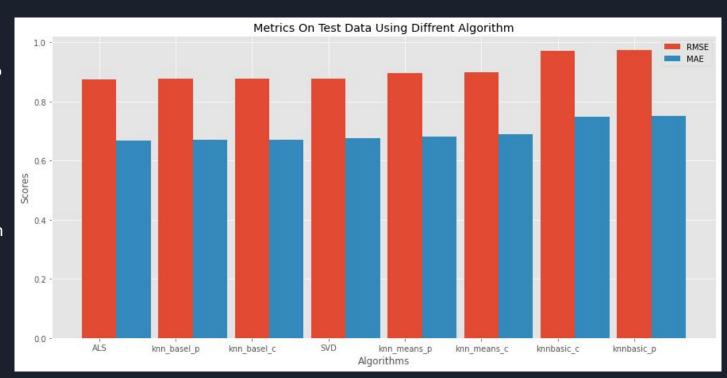


#### Results of different methods

The scores of the top two memory-based models and the matrix factorization models are very close.

Matrix Factorization models scales better with large dataset.

ALS shines when dealing with enormous and sparse datasets.



### The Final Model - Hybrid Recommender

**To the right**: user with ID 200 gives new ratings to movies in the "War" genre. "n" is entered for movies the user haven't seen

**Below**: The new ratings are added to the database before predicted ratings are calculated and returned.

```
recommender(200, genre='War', new ratings=new ratings df)
          Ranking
                                                                   title
                     Rating
                                                                                    genres
 movieId
               3.0 5.342887 Ivan's Childhood (a.k.a. My Name is Ivan) (Iva...
 32892
                                                                                DramalWar
              17.0 5.122548 Human Condition III, The (Ningen no joken III)...
  26073
                                                                                DramalWar
  6818
             124 0 4 805233
                                          Come and See (Idi i smotri) (1985)
                                                                                DramalWar
             126.0 4.797941
 170705
                                                   Band of Brothers (2001) Action|Drama|War
 98154
             129 0 4 794590
                                                           Lincoln (2012)
                                                                                Drama|War
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```
new ratings df = movie rater(200, genre="War")
      movieId
                              title
                                                       genres
     57528 Rambo (Rambo 4) (2008) Action|Drama|Thriller|War
How do you rate this movie on a scale of 1-5, press n if you have not seen :
     movieId
                               title
                                               genres
9497 170705 Band of Brothers (2001) Action|Drama|War
How do you rate this movie on a scale of 1-5, press n if you have not seen :
     movieId
                            title
       1208 Apocalypse Now (1979) Action|Drama|War
How do you rate this movie on a scale of 1-5, press n if you have not seen :
     movieId
                      title
                               genres
        5817 Ararat (2002) DramalWar
How do you rate this movie on a scale of 1-5, press n if you have not seen :
     movieTd
                            title
        7307 Flesh & Blood (1985) Action|Adventure|Drama|War
How do you rate this movie on a scale of 1-5, press n if you have not seen :
     movieId
                      title
                                      genres
How do you rate this movie on a scale of 1-5, press n if you have not seen :
    movieTd
                                   title
                                                   genres
       1233 Boot, Das (Boat, The) (1981) Action|Drama|War
How do you rate this movie on a scale of 1-5, press n if you have not seen :
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## Thank You