

Matrix Completion \longleftrightarrow Recommendation System

① Motivation

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MovieLens Dataset \rightarrow predict the rating of films

② Definition

1. Utility Matrix $X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ $\begin{cases} m: \text{user} \\ n: \text{item} \end{cases}$
↓ (sparse matrix)

$$X_{ij} = \begin{cases} (\text{rating})_{ij} & , \text{ user } i \text{ rates movie } j \\ 0 & , \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(Drawback)

Rmk: The Rating can be biased since it comes from the people who are willing to give response.

2. Recommendation System

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to find those high rating entries

Approach:

- { a) Collaborative Filtering
- b) Latent Factor Model

③ Collaborative Filtering (User-User)

- Step 1: Grouping based on Similarity Measure
Step 2: Aggregating to achieve prediction

1. Similarity Score

a) Jaccard Similarity (define on set A, B) → more appropriate for Binary Rating

$$\text{Sim}(x, y) := J(S_x, S_y) := \frac{|S_x \cap S_y|}{|S_x \cup S_y|}$$

Notation

$\begin{cases} x, y: \text{user} \\ S_x, S_y: \text{items rated by user } x, \text{ user } y \text{ (set)} \end{cases}$

b) Cosine Similarity (vector) → more appropriate for Multi-valued Rating

$$\text{sim}(x, y) := \cos(r_x, r_y) := \frac{\langle r_x, r_y \rangle}{\|r_x\| \|r_y\|} \in [0, 1]$$

Notation:

r_x, r_y : rating vector for user x , user y

c) Normalized Cosine Similarity

$$\text{sim}(x, y) := \cos(r_x - \bar{r}_x, r_y - \bar{r}_y)$$

2. Collaborating Filter (User-User) Algorithm

→ construct Neighborhood N based on Similarity Score

↳ { threshold
top-K

→ Aggregating { naive average $r_{xi} := \frac{\sum_{y \in N} r_{yi}}{|N|}$
weighted average $r_{xi} := \frac{\sum_{y \in N} \text{sim}(x, y) r_{yi}}{\sum_{y \in N} \text{sim}(x, y)}$

④ Item-Item Collaborative Filtering

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Similar to User-user CF

⑤ Latent Factor Model (LFM)

Utility Matrix M

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define index set $\Omega = \{(i, j) : R_{ij} \text{ is known}\}$

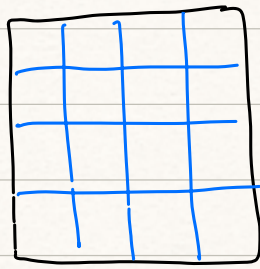
Ground-Truth : $R_{ij} = M_{ij}$

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Utility Matrix : M is part of the GT observation

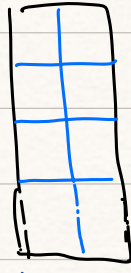
Assumption . R is a low-rank matrix

$$R \approx W \cdot H$$

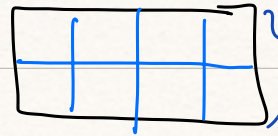
$$\begin{cases} W \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k} \\ H \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n} \end{cases}$$



\approx



\times



film type

film type

interpretation

Different from here

in HALS of NMF, we focus on

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} W_{i \cdot} \\ H_{\cdot j} \end{cases}$$

→ Formulation

1. small reconstruction error

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in \Omega} (R_{ij} - W_{i \cdot} H_{\cdot j})^2$$

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$$= \sum_{(i,j) \in \Omega} (R_{ij} - W_{i \cdot} H_{\cdot j})^2$$

BCP

Linear Regression Problem

(W, H)

$(W_{i \cdot}, H_{\cdot j})$

2. $W \geq 0$ $H \geq 0$

$$\left(\underline{1.} + \underline{2.} \right) \Rightarrow \min_{W, H} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{(i,j) \in \Omega} (R_{ij} - W_{i \cdot} H_{\cdot j})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} (\|W\|_F^2 + \|H\|_F^2)$$

BCD (W, H) + Ridge Regression

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⑥ Rank Perspective of Latent Factor Model

→ Nuclear Norm $\|X\|_* := \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i(X)$ $k = \text{rank}(X)$

↳ it can be proved (difficult) that it is norm !
↳ convex (triangle-inequality)

→ Rank : $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (non-convex function)

↳ Count non-zero σ_i number

rank \leftrightarrow nuclear norm

connection

$\|\cdot\|_0 \leftrightarrow \|\cdot\|_1$

→ convex envelope of $f(\cdot)$ (probably non-convex)

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the largest convex function $g(\cdot)$ st

$$\underline{g(x) \leq f(x) \quad \forall x}$$

Result : Rank function defined on $\{X : \sigma_1(X) \leq 1\}$

↓ convex envelope
 $\|\cdot\|_*$ (nuclear norm)

"Ball"

② Rank function defined on $\{X: G_1(X) \leq K\}$

↓ convex envelope
 $\frac{1}{K} \|\cdot\|_*$ (nuclear norm)

→ Re-formulation → $\begin{cases} \min_R & \text{rank}(R) \\ \text{s.t.} & R_{ij} = M_{ij} \end{cases} \rightarrow \underline{\underline{\text{NP-HARD}}}$
 $\forall (i,j) \in \Omega$

Surrogation
(convex
relaxation)

$M_{ij} \rightarrow$ observation data (recorded rating)

$\begin{cases} \min_R & \|R\|_* \\ \text{s.t.} & R_{ij} = M_{ij} \quad \forall (i,j) \in \Omega \end{cases}$

$\begin{cases} \text{Approach 1: } \underline{\text{SDP}} \text{ (} \underline{\text{Semi-Definite Programming}} \text{)} \\ \text{Approach 2: } \underline{\text{PG}} \end{cases}$