



INCREMENTAL KNN

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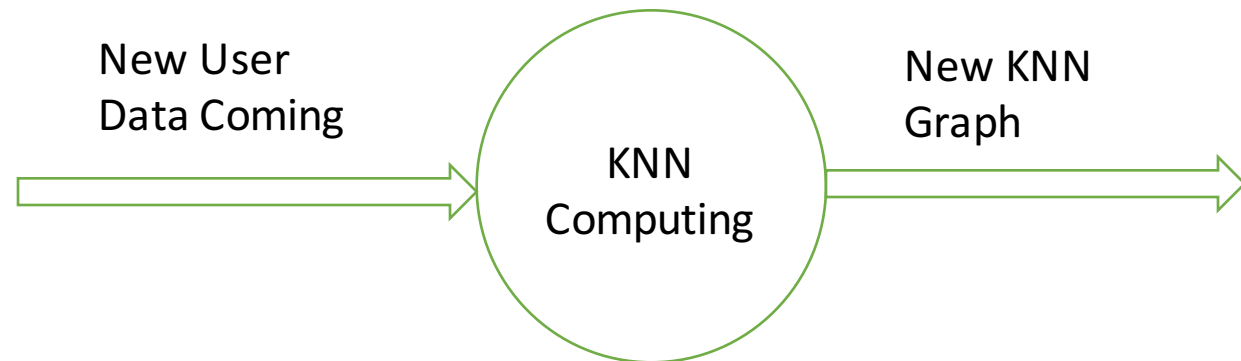
KNN

- Lazy learning
 - Defers data processing until it receives a request to classify unlabeled data
 - Replies to a request for information by combining its stored training data
 - Discards the constructed answer and any intermediate results



Problems with KNN in practice

- KNN is an efficient method for the Recommendation System.



How To Solve It

- Using other methods to approximate KNN graph. Don't compute KNN by force.

Sample Potential Candidates!

Let the clients undertake some tasks.

- Chain Rule: Sample candidates from the neighbors
 - If A is highly similar with B and B is highly similar with C, A is possible to be highly similar with C.

Chain Rule is EFFICIENT but not ENOUGH.



- Why

- . In most cases, it can work well
- . Special Case.

Three users: A (i1,i2,i3) B (i1,i2,i4,i5) C(i4,i5,i6).

A is not similar with C at all!



- Using other methods to improve the quality of the potential candidates.
 - Cluster the data
 - . Kmeans
 - . Item based
 - Randomly choose some users from the whole data to avoid the local optimization.

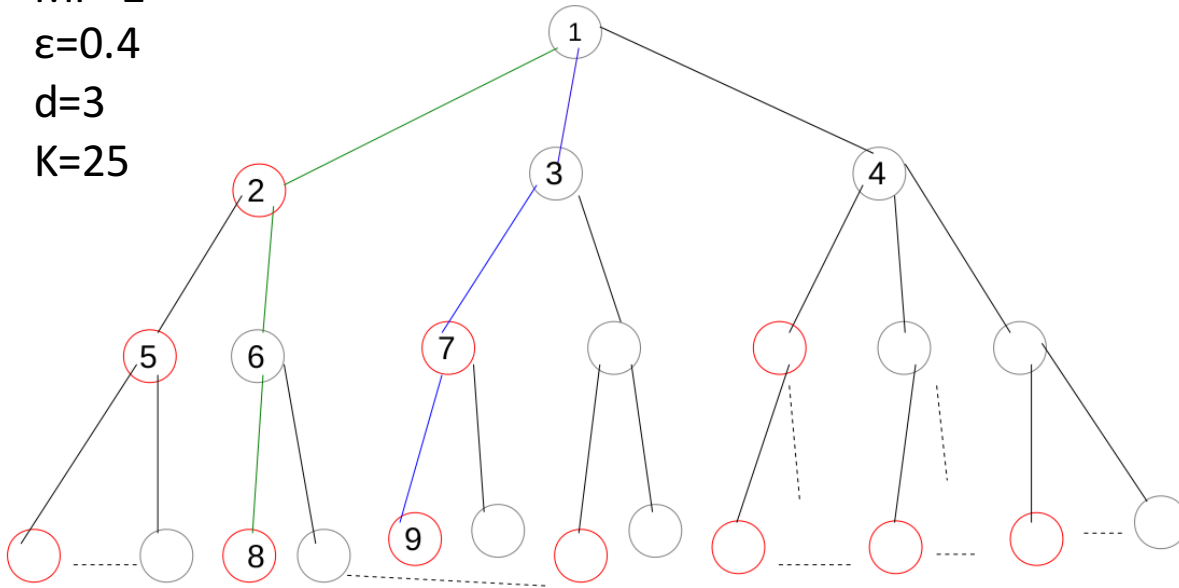
Candidates from Neighbors - based on Chain Rule



Explore and Exploit the graph

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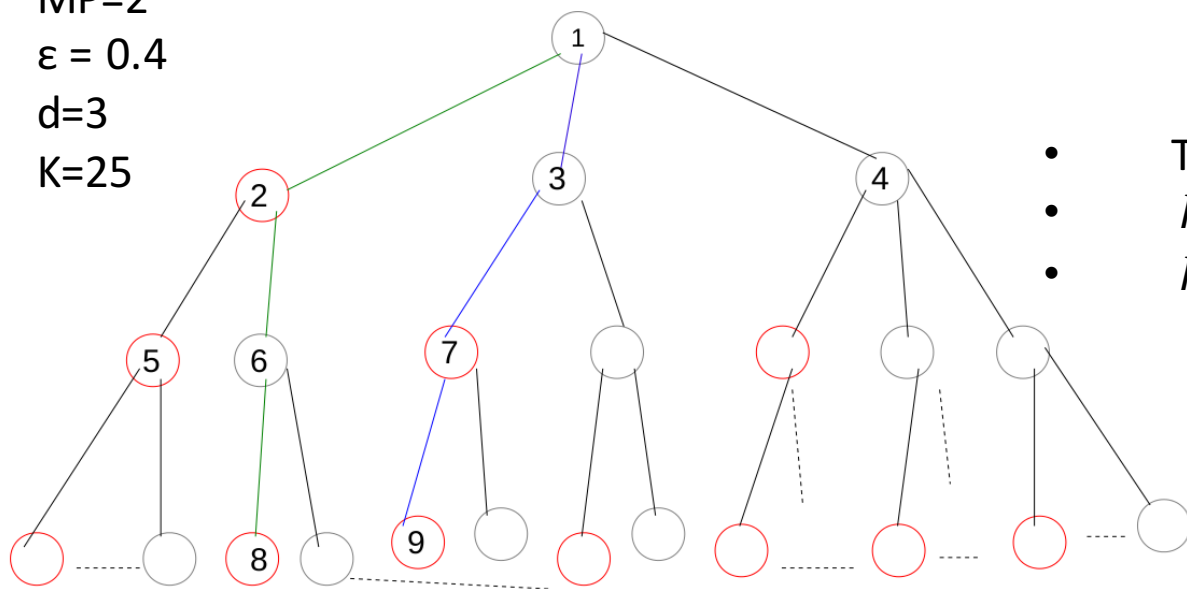
- $MP=2$
- $\epsilon=0.4$
- $d=3$
- $K=25$



- MP: mutable path. How many paths we search in the graph. Its up bound is $a \cdot \log_2 K$. a is usually 1.
- ϵ : the probability to choose not the most similar neighbor
- K is the parameter of KNN
- d is the search depth and is constant.

Mutable Path

- MP=2
- $\epsilon = 0.4$
- $d=3$
- $K=25$

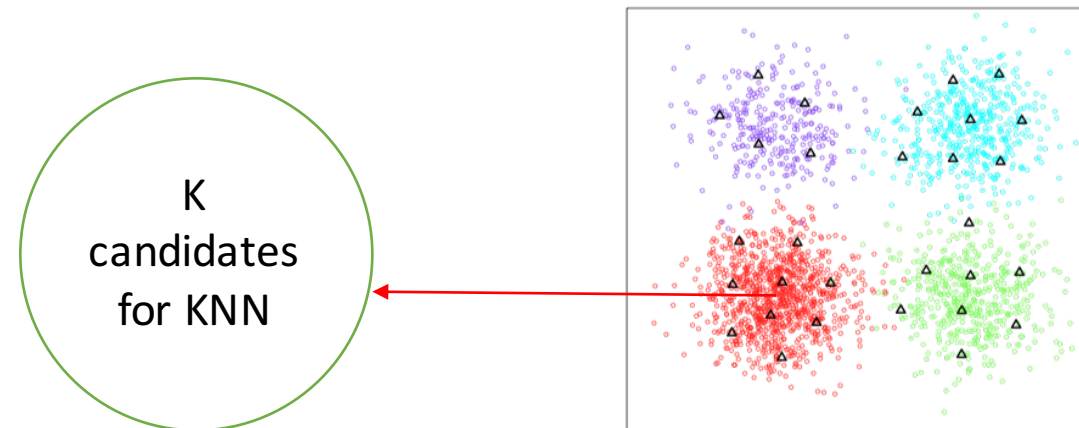


- $|knn_{pre} \cap knn_{after}| < \theta$
- Theta is an predefined threshold according to K.
- knn_{pre} is the top k neighbors of node 1 before updating.
- knn_{after} is the top k neighbors of node 1 after updating.

*The size of candidates form neighbors is not more than $K * a * \log_2 K$*

DeKNN – Democratization KNN

- KMeans DeKNN
 - Using Online KMeans to classify the users.
 - Choose K candidates from the clusters.



Online Kmeans – Update Clusters

Input: A new user profile at time t , noted as U^t and
K-Means' clusters, noted as C

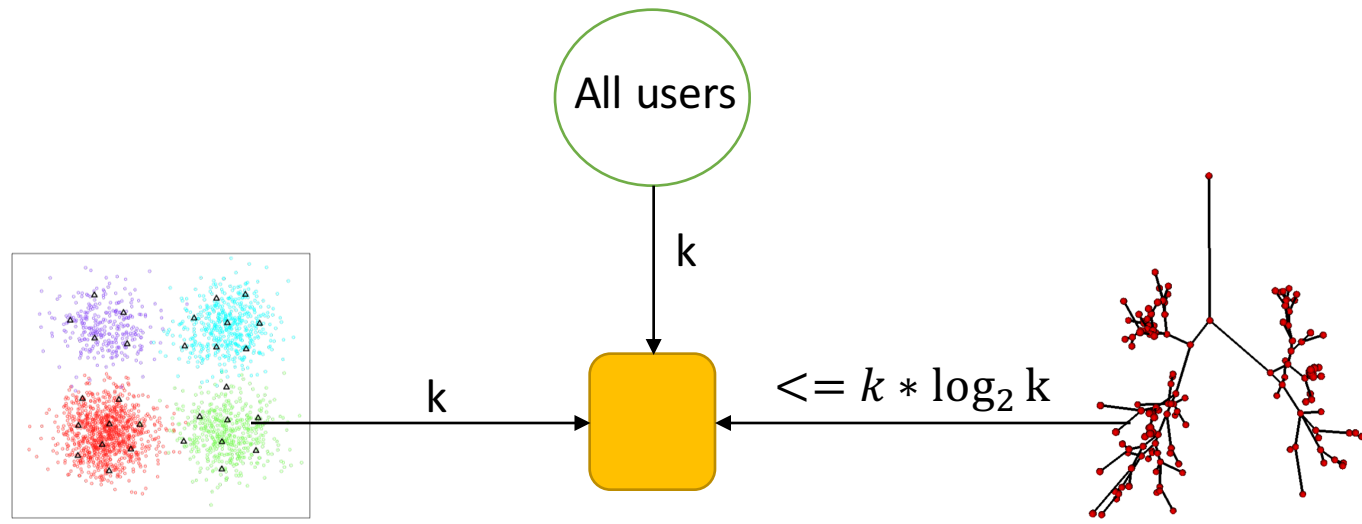
Output: A new k-Means center

- 1 $C_j \leftarrow$ find the most similar cluster with the U^t
 - 2 learning rate, $r = \frac{1}{|C_j|+1}$
 - 3 update the cluster's center, $C_j = C_j + (U^t - C_j) \times r$
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KM-DeKNN (Kmeans DeKNN)

- Choosing Candidates. Its size up bound $2k + k * \log_2 k$ and it low bound is $3k$

- sample k candidates from the whole users.
- sample at least k and at most $k * \log_2 k$ candidates from the neighbors.
- sample k candidates from the clusters.



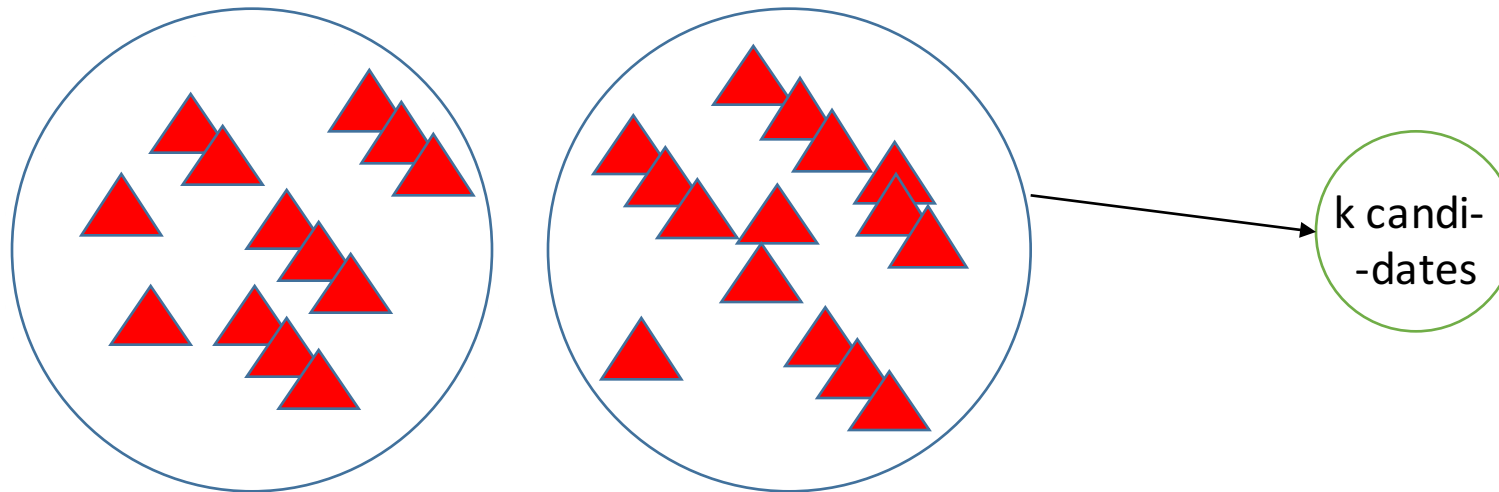
Problems with KM-DeKNN

- The number of the clusters are rough to be decided.
- The number of the clusters are fixed and immutable. Cannot find the new structures of the users.
- With the increase of the users, each cluster will contain more and more users and become huge and stubborn.
- How to solve it?

Item-based DeKNN(It-DeKNN)

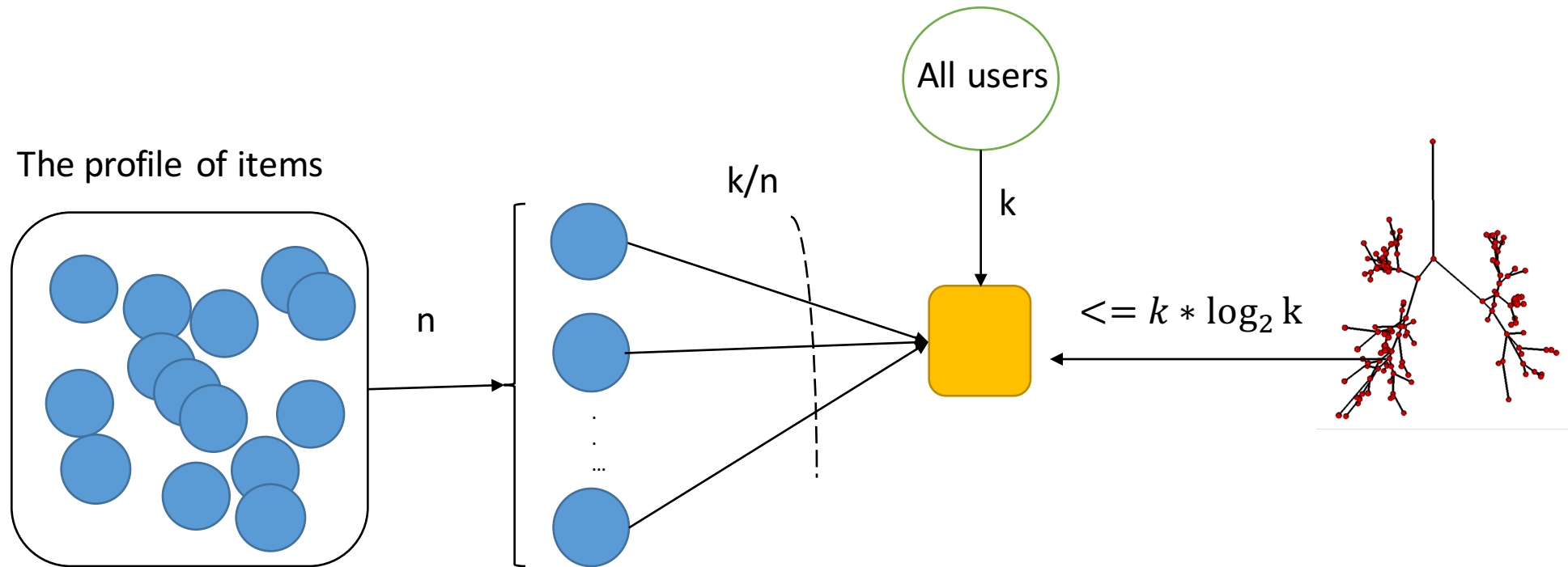
It-DeKNN

- The positively similar users must buy the same types of the products.
- Each item maintains its users list who bought it in the past.
- Difference with Item DeKNN and Kmeans KNN.



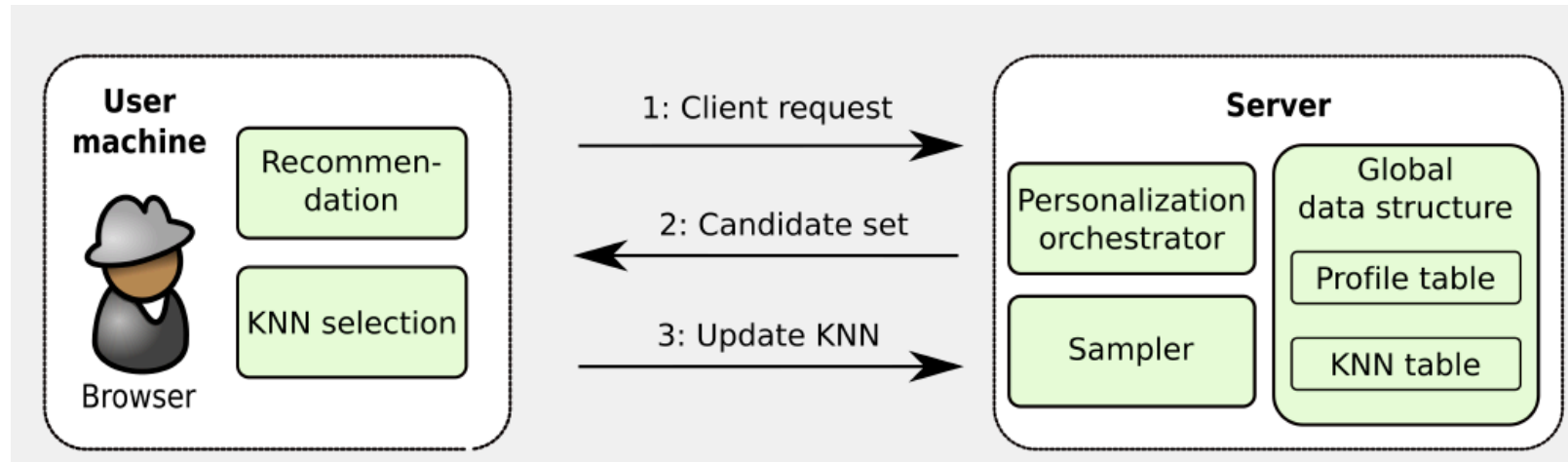
A circle is the profile of the item.
A triangle is a user

Item-Based DeKNN



Distribute Tasks to the Clients

- Computing the similarity between the users needs much time.
Send the candidates selected on the server to the clients.
The client will compute the similarity and select top K neighbors.



Experiments

- Compare DeKNN with HyRec¹
 - HyRec's sample candidate size $k^2 + 2k$
 - HyRec will sample a candidate set for a user u at time t by aggregating three sets.
 - the current approximation of u 's KNN (k)
 - the current neighbors of all the u 's KNN neighbors (k^2)
 - k random users



Experiment

- Goal
 - DeKNNs should converge eventually.
 - DeKNNs should be faster than HyRec
 - DeKNNs has smaller candidate set than HyRec does.
 - It will lead to DeKNNs need less storage than HyRec in the client.
- Dataset
- Performance
- Application : ItDeKNN Spam

Parameters

- $K = 25$
- $d=5$
- $\varepsilon = 0.5$
- $\theta = 6$
- The up bound of MP is $k * \log_2 k$.

Predication

80% data for train and 20% data for test

KNN-Recall

$$recall = \sum_{u \in U} \left(\frac{|\widehat{knn}_u \cap knn_u|}{k} \right) / |U|$$

- U is the set of the users.
- \widehat{knn}_u is the approximating top k neighbors .
- knn_u is the true top k neighbors

Predicating Rate

$$\tilde{r}(u, i) = \bar{r}(u) + C_0 \sum_{v \in N_k(u, i)} \text{sim}(u, v) (r(v, i) - \bar{r}(v))$$

- $\tilde{r}(u, i)$ is the predicating rate of the user u on item i .
- $\bar{r}(u)$ is the average rating of the user u .
- $\text{sim}(u, v)$ is the similarity with user u and user v .
- $r(v, i)$ is the rate of the user v on item i .
- $\bar{r}(v)$ is the average rating of the user v .
- Constant C_0 is a normalization factor.

Predication Spam Recall

P\T	1	0
1	tp	fn
0	fp	tn

$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{tp + tn}{tp + tn + fp + fn}$$

Predication Spam

- Decide whether the email is spam or not by four methods' voting
 - The most similar neighbor have two tickets.
 - The average similarity winner has one ticket.
 - the avg similarity of spam neighbors VS the avg similarity of non-spam neighbors
 - The sum similarity winner has one ticket.
 - the sum similarity of spam neighbors VS the sum similarity of non-spam neighbors
 - The least similar neighbor has one ticket.



The most similar neighbor

I vote 2 tickets that it is a spam

2



The mean similarity winner

I vote 1 ticket that it is not a spam

1



1

I vote 1 ticket that it is not a spam



The sum similarity winner

1



The least similar neighbor.

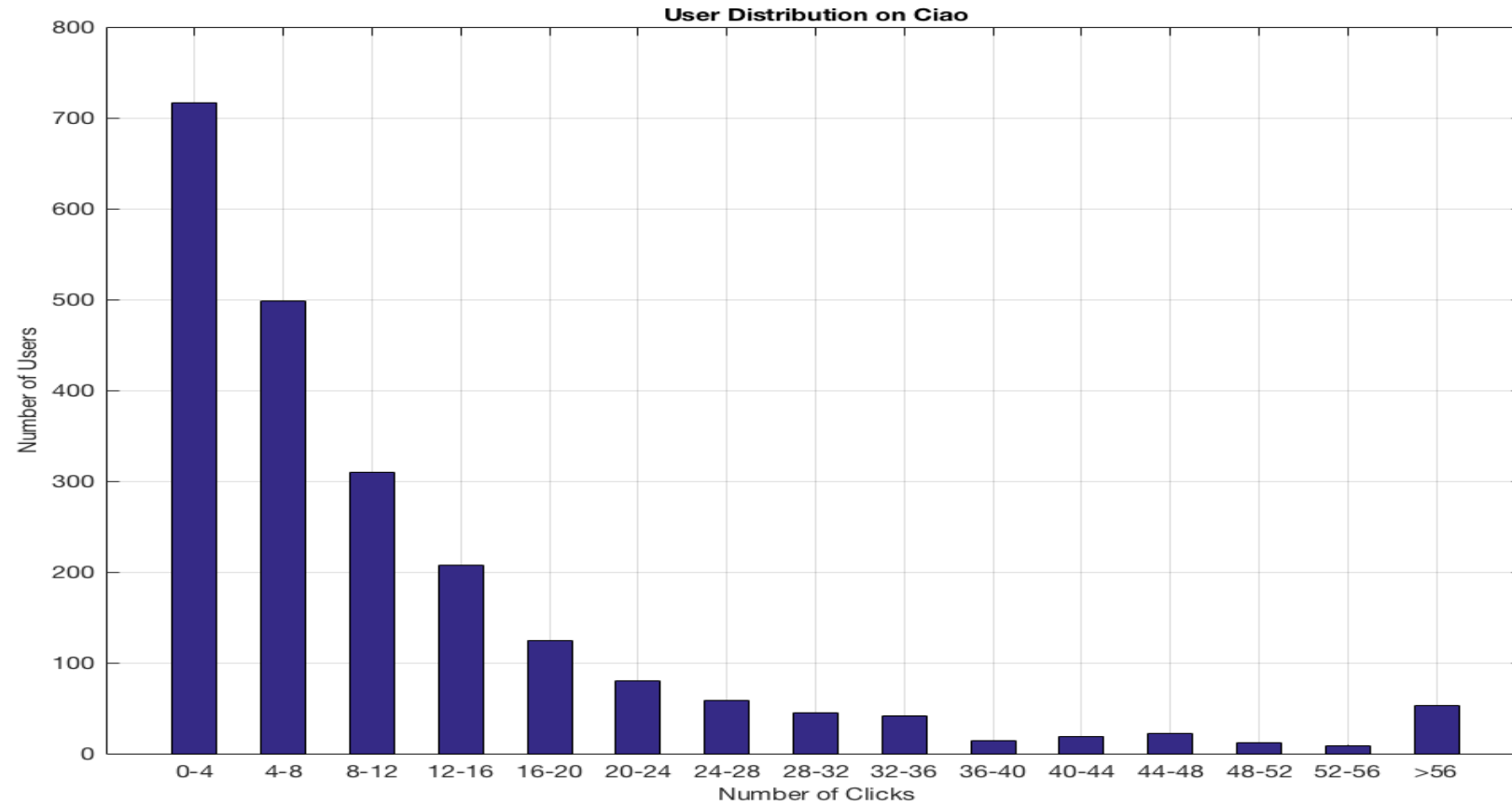
I vote 1 ticket that it is not a spam



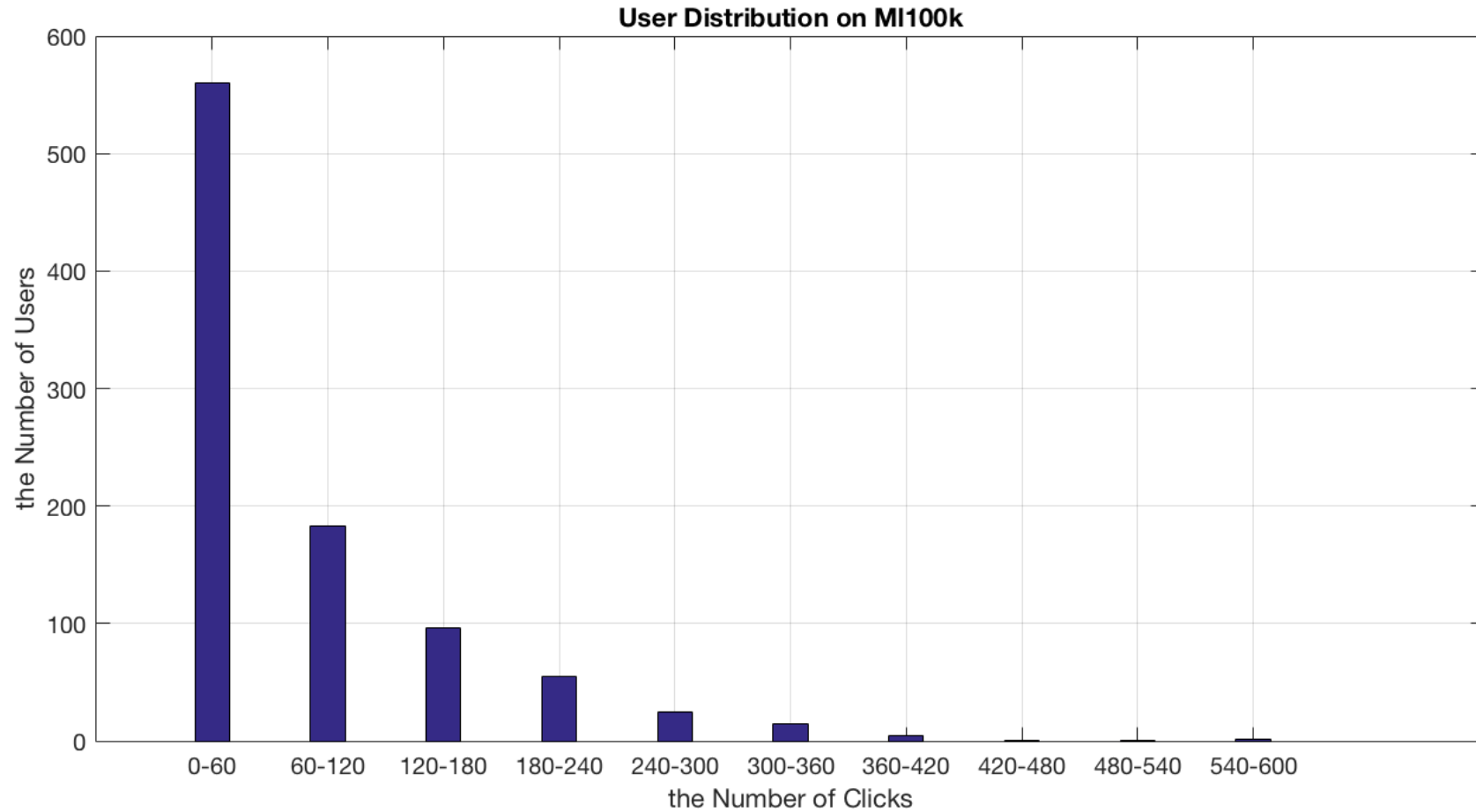
Data Description

Name	Records	Users	Rate Range(Integer)
Ciao	36065	2210	1-5
MI-100k	100, 000	943	1-5
MI-1M	1,000,209	6040	1-5

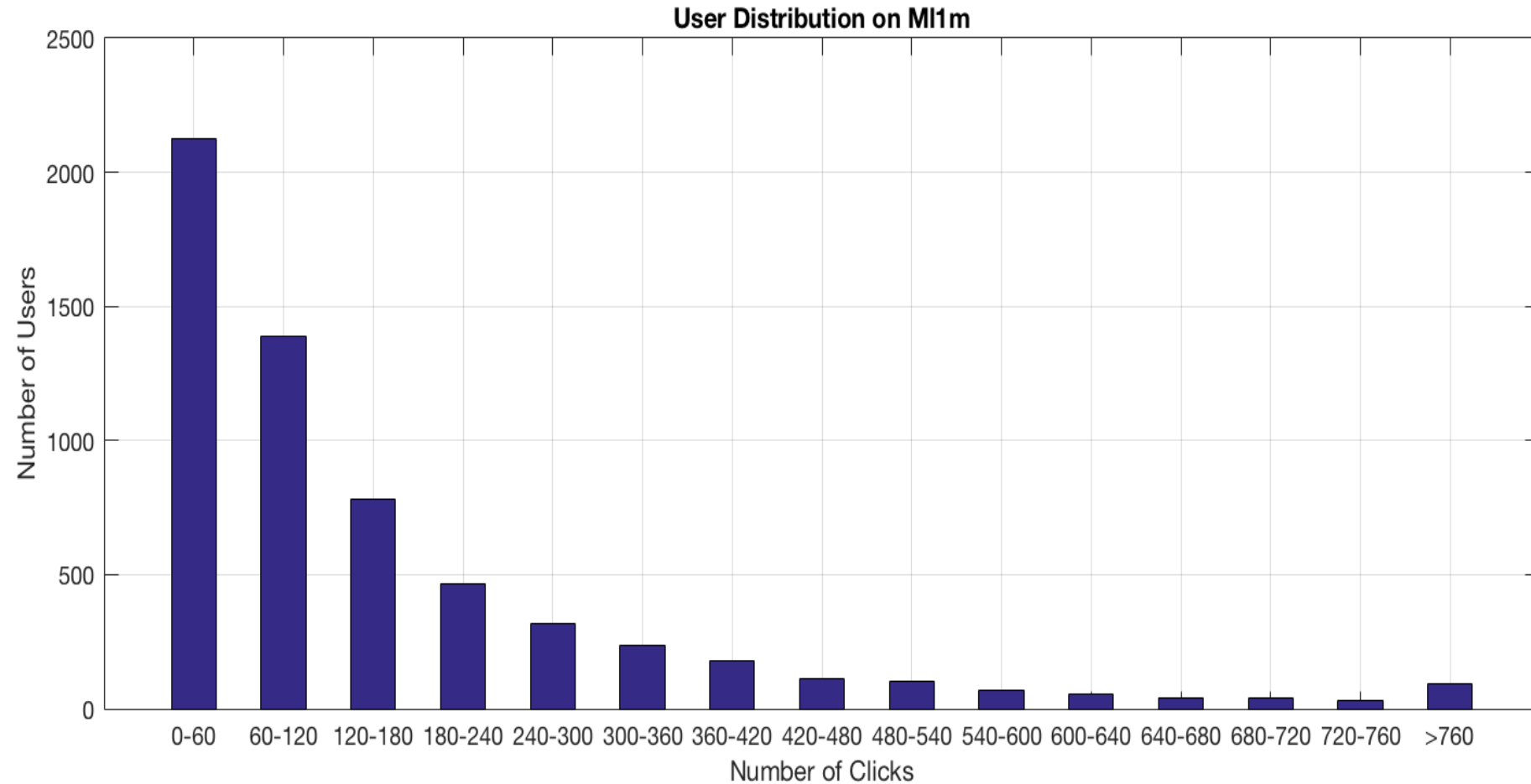
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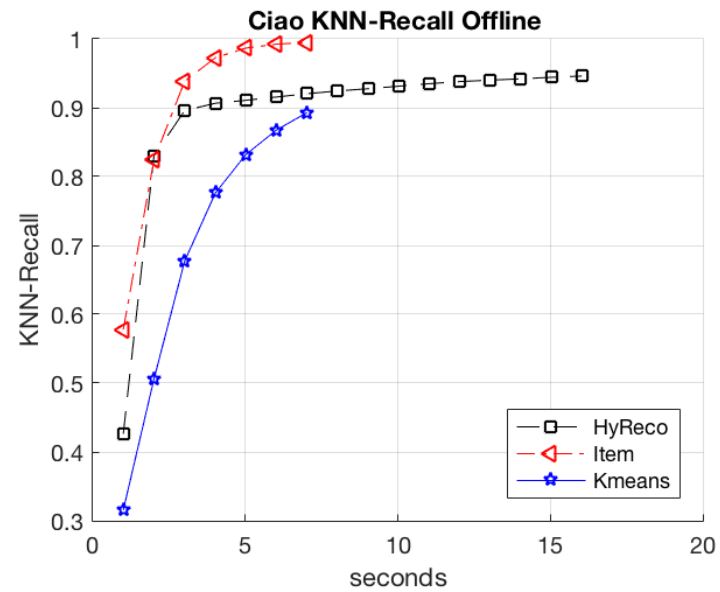
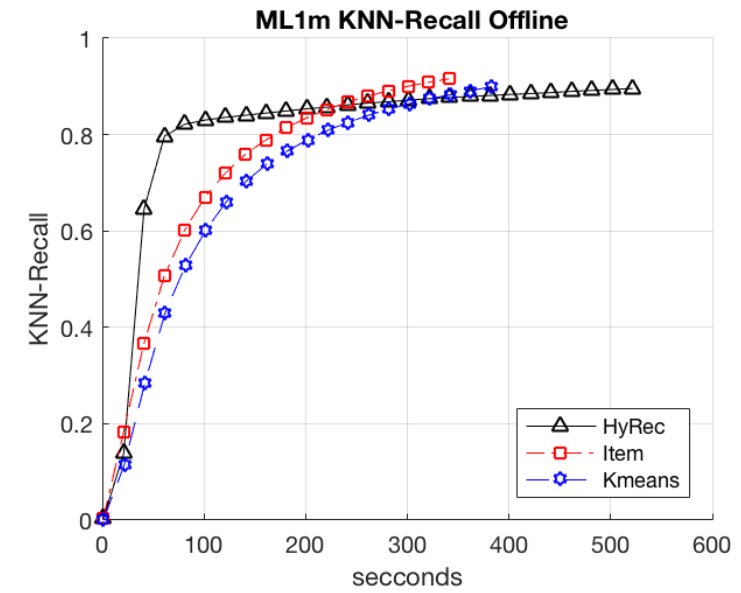
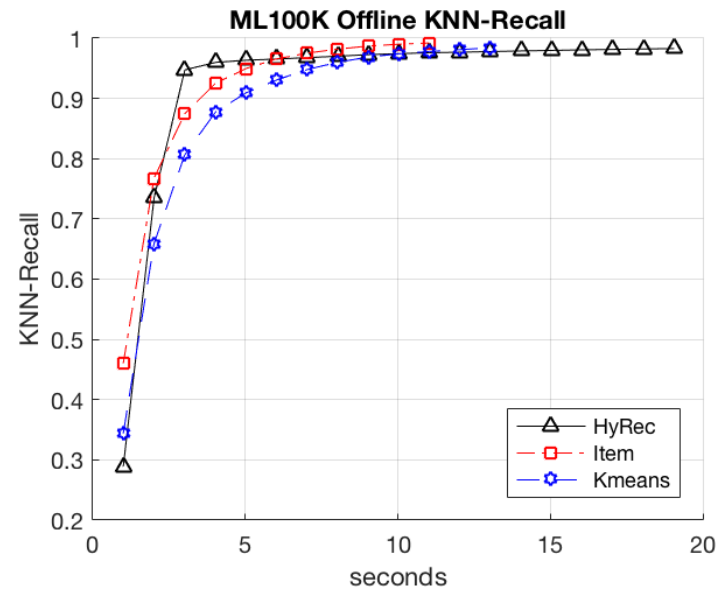
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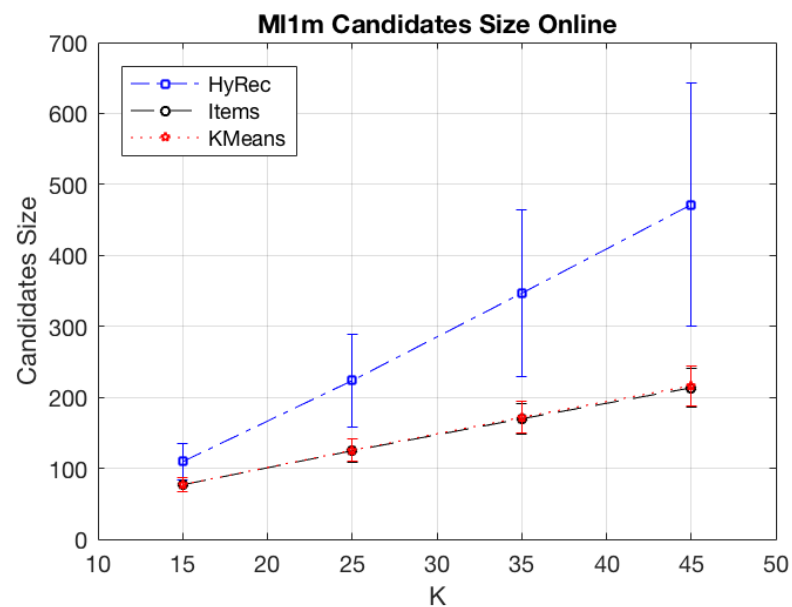
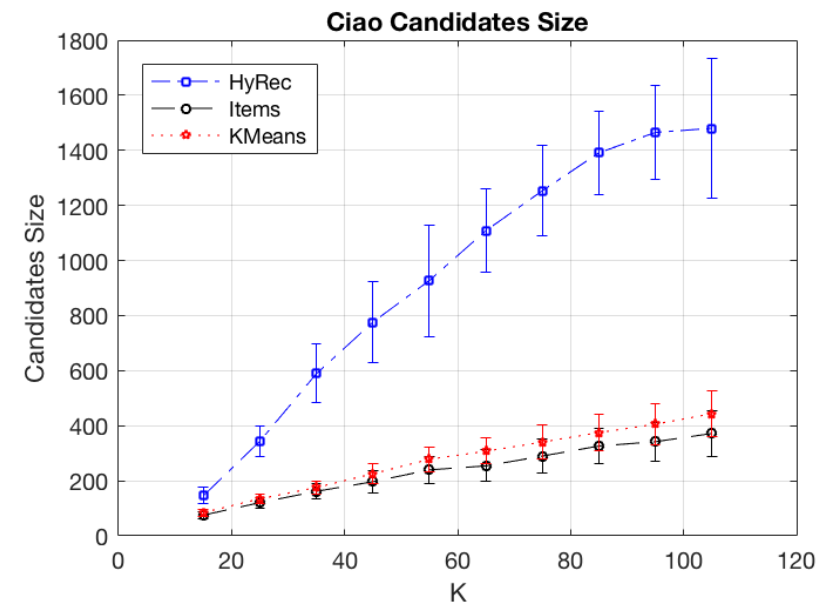
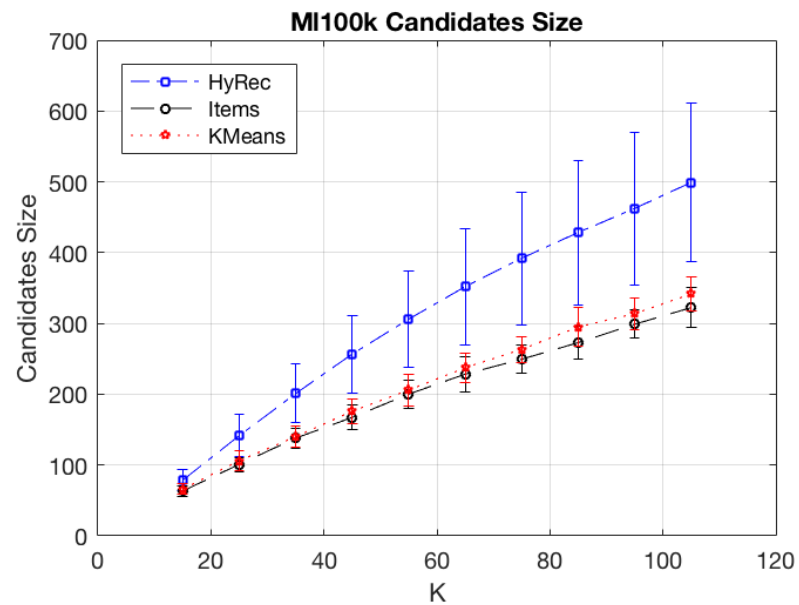
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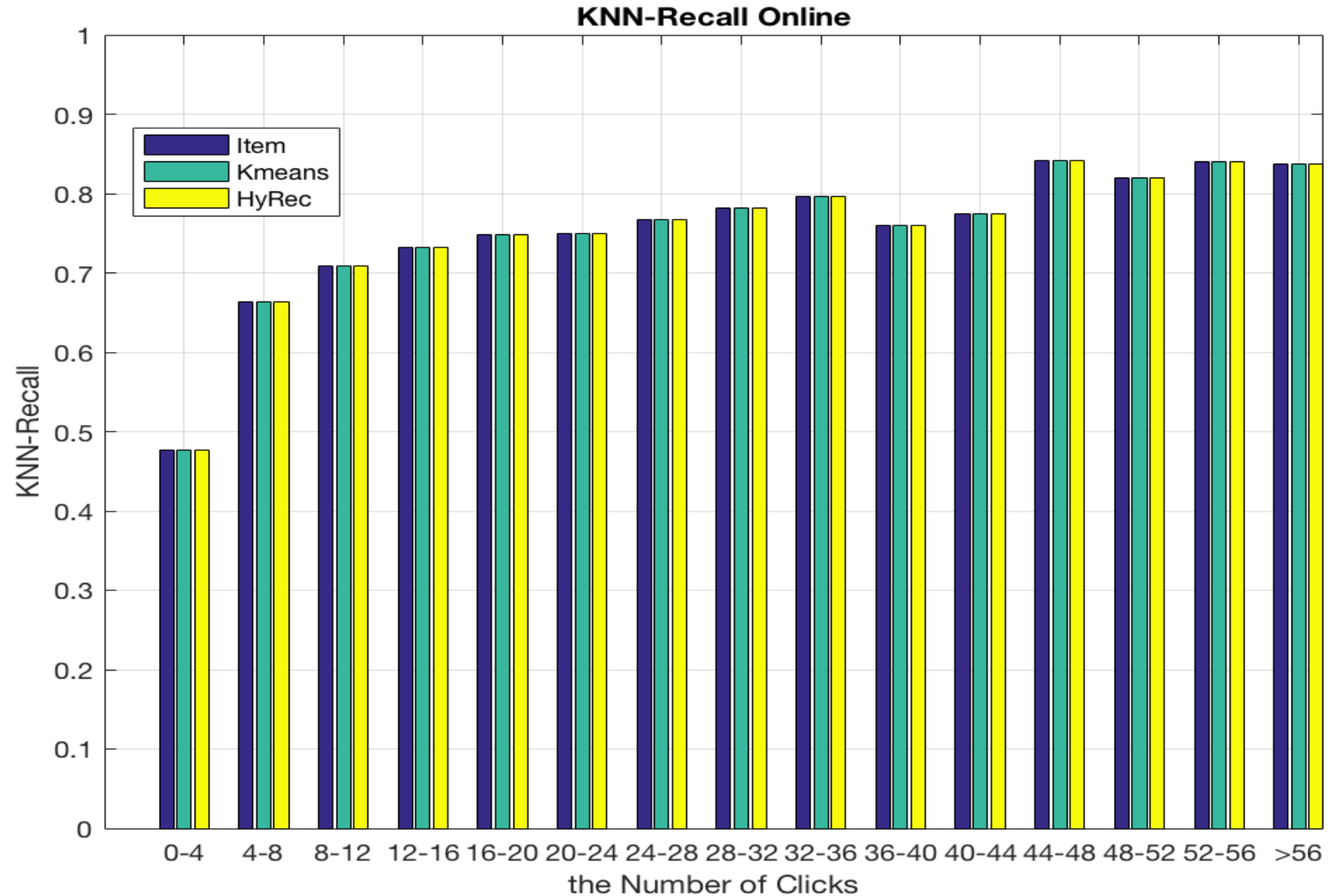
Offline KNN-Recall with Time



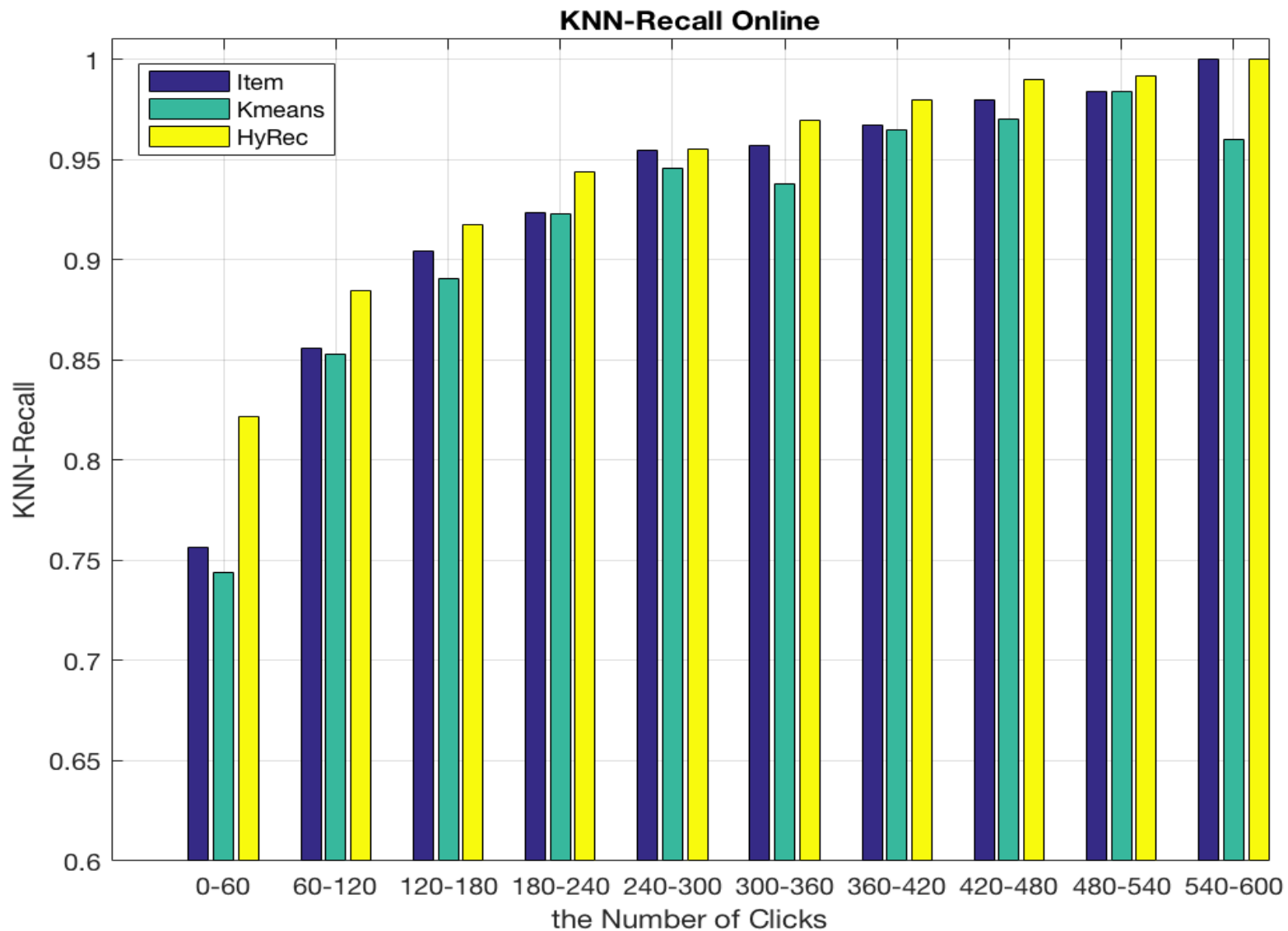
Candidate Size with different K Online



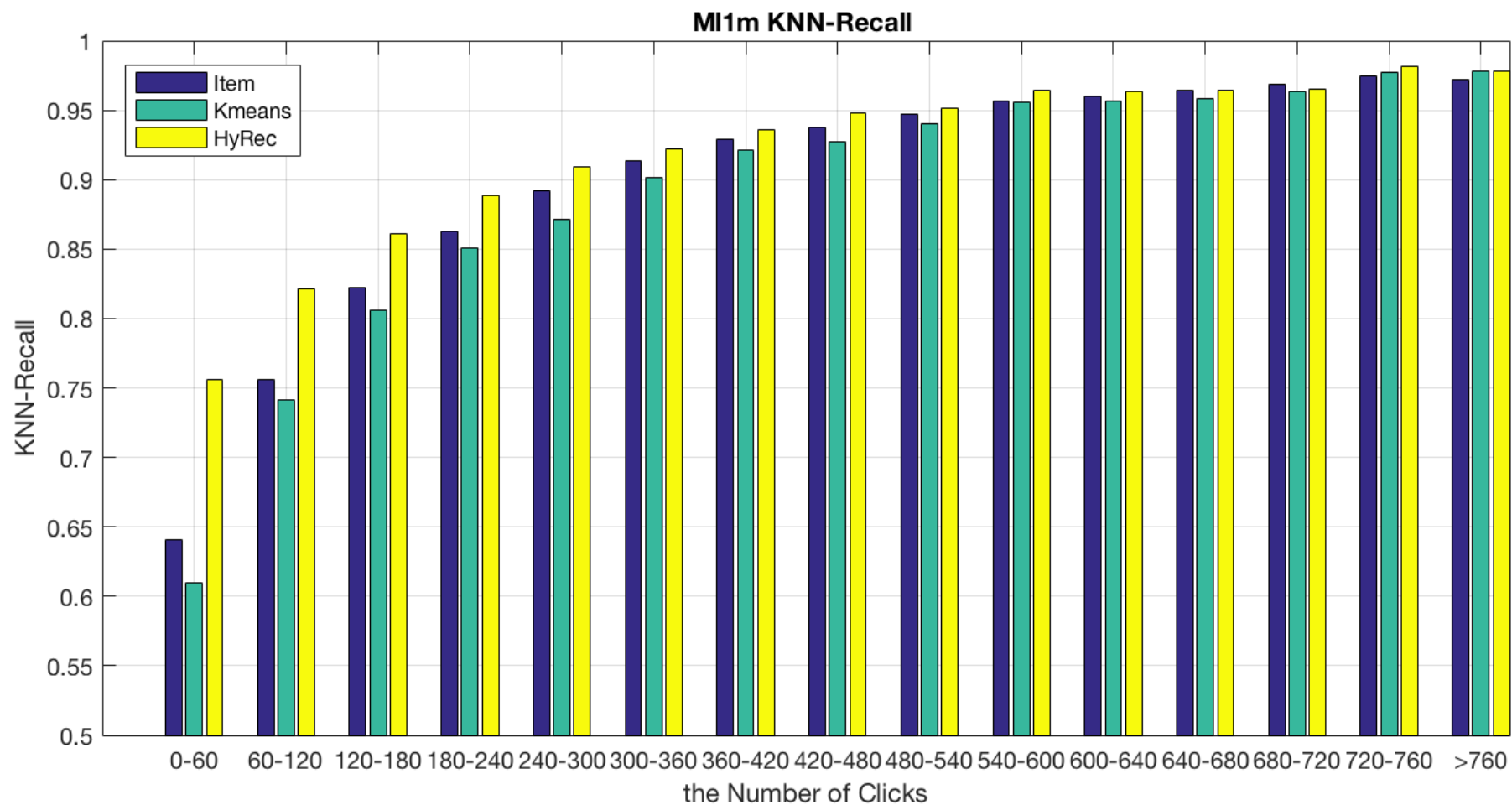
Online Recall Ciao



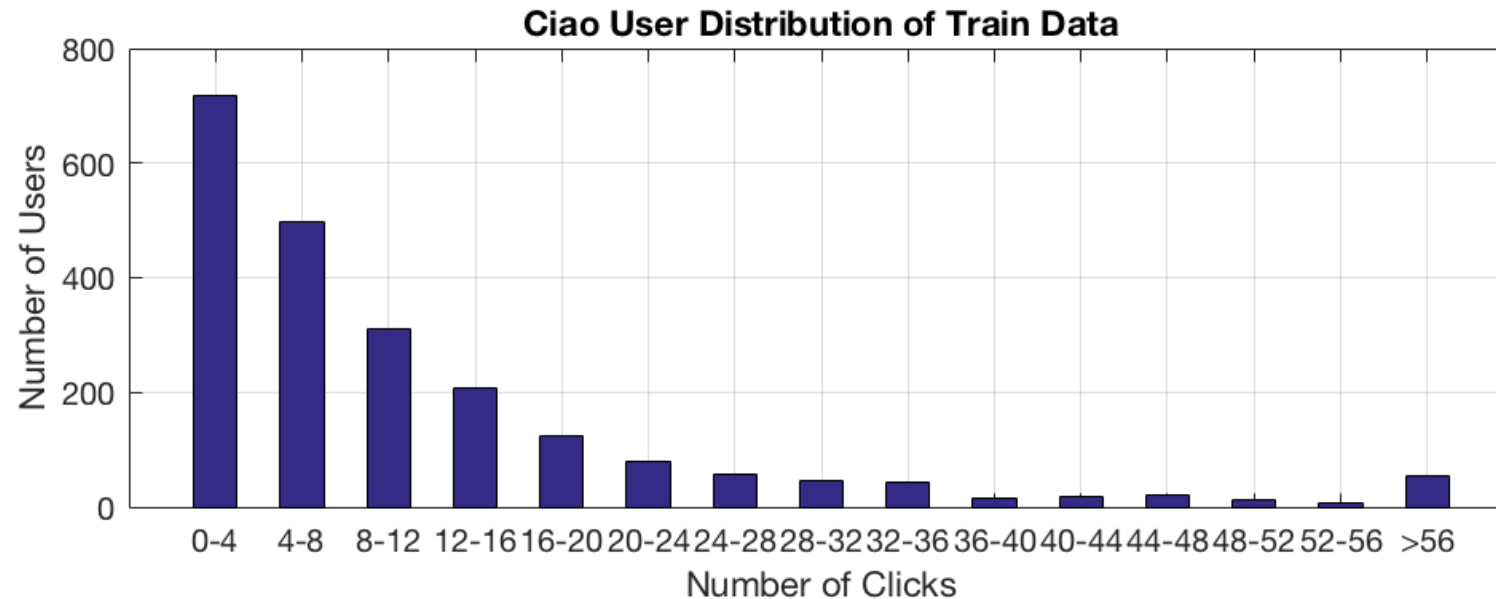
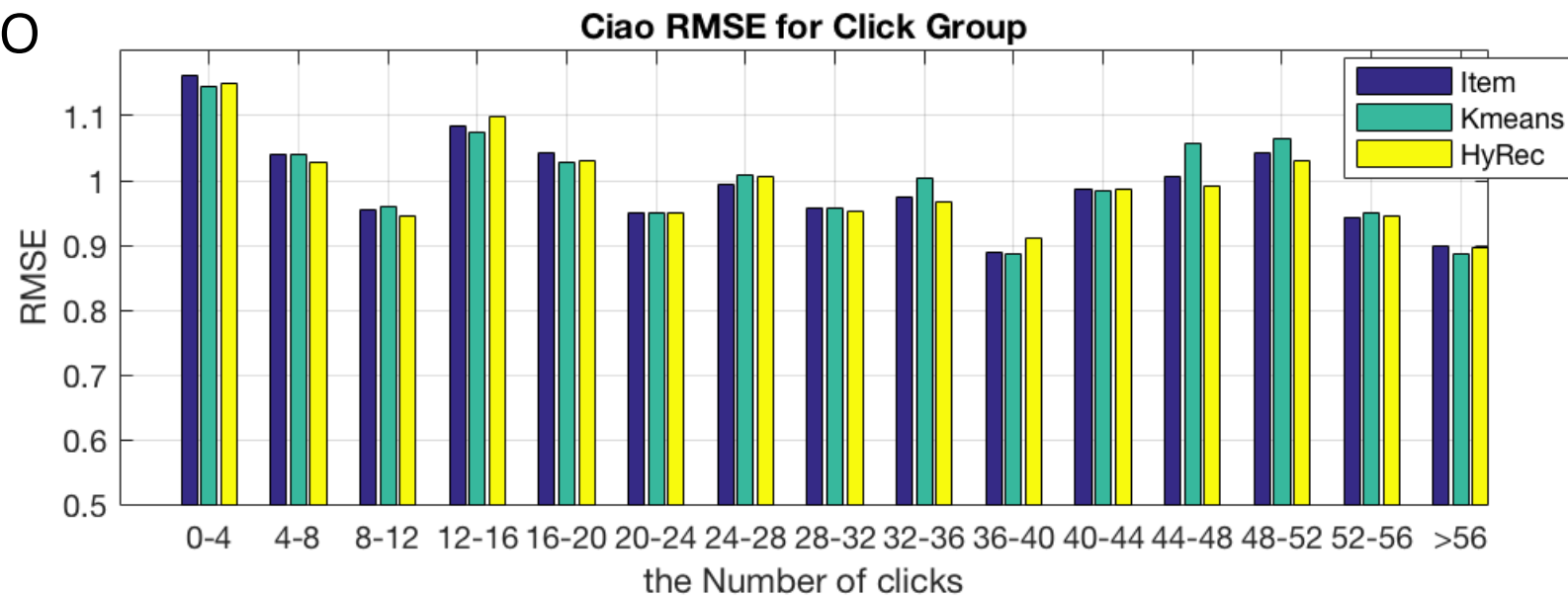
Online Recall MI100k



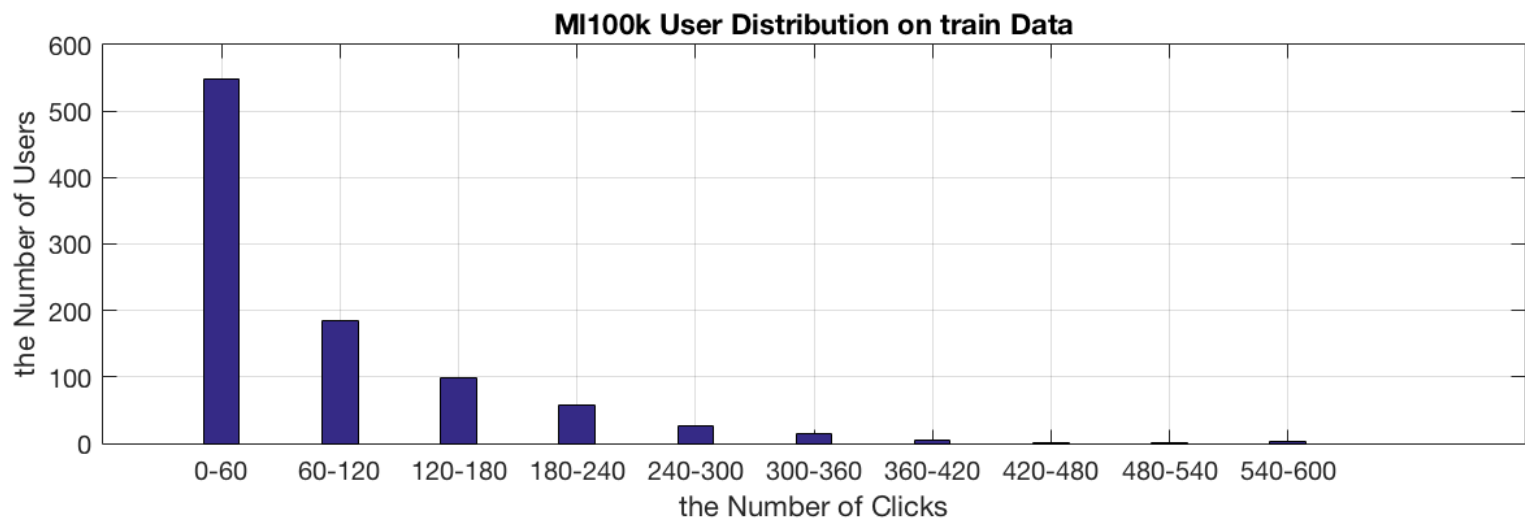
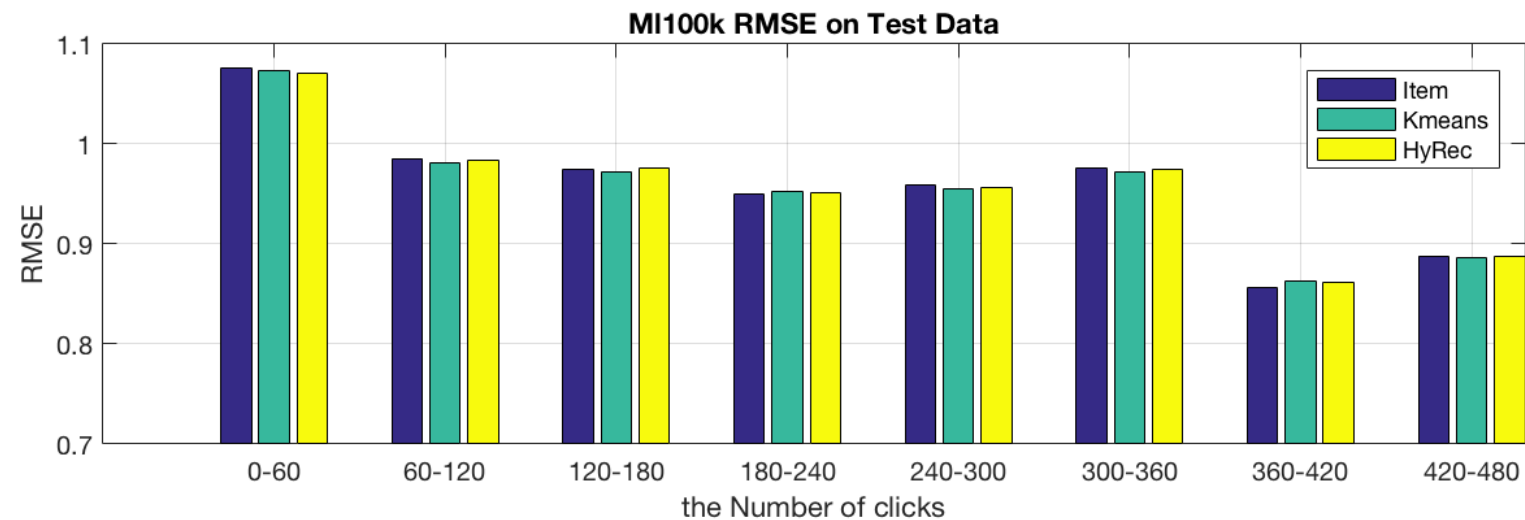
Online Recall MI1M



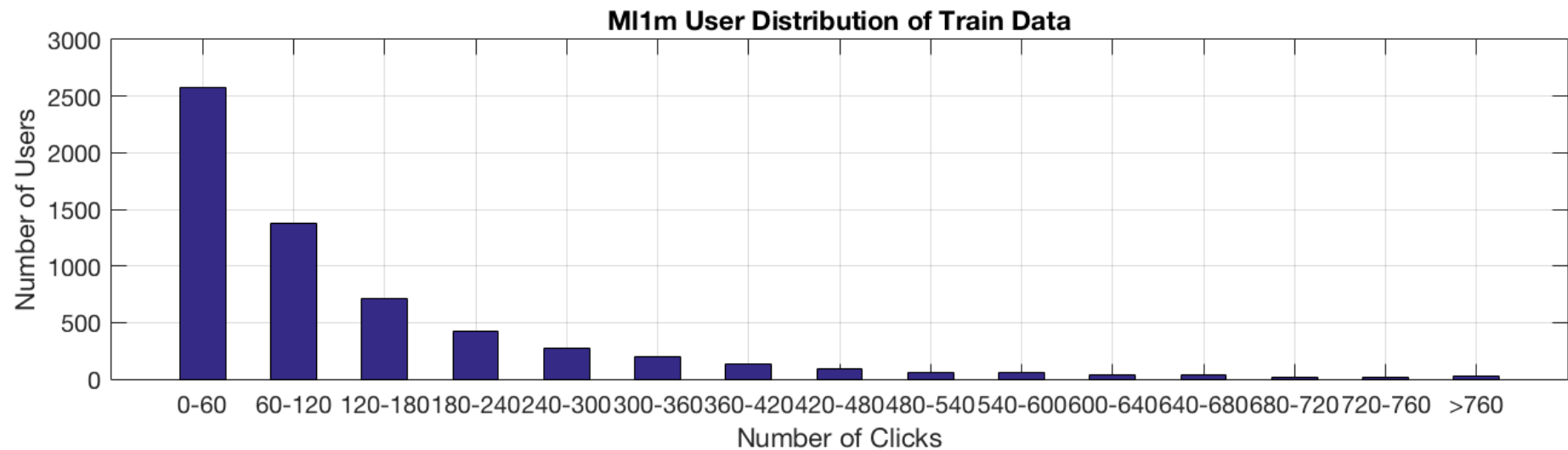
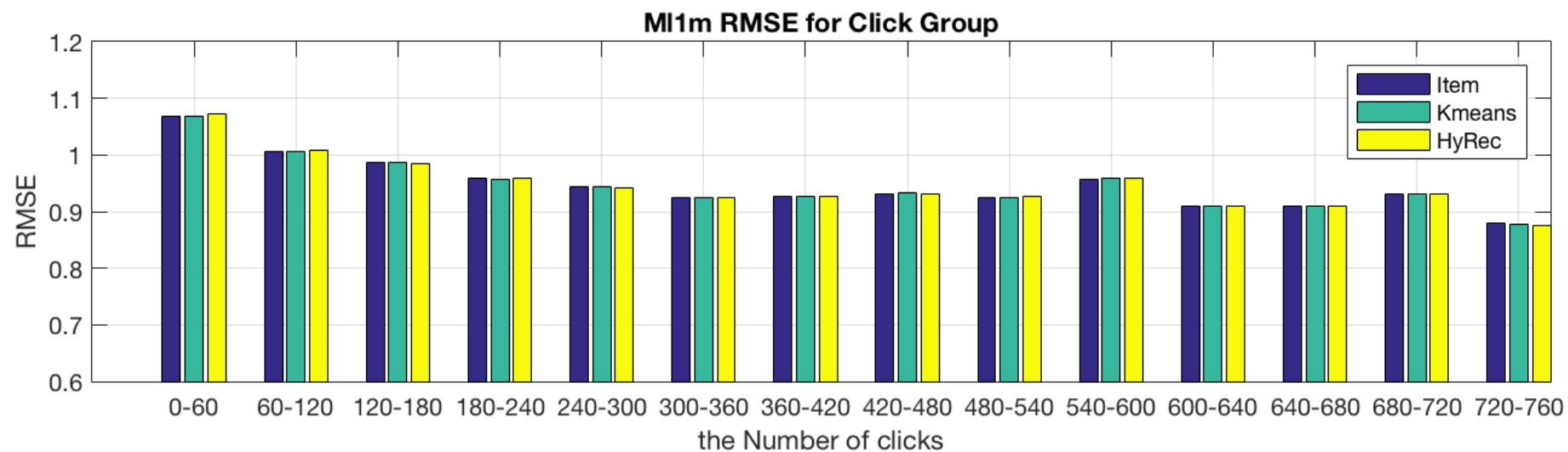
Predication Ciao



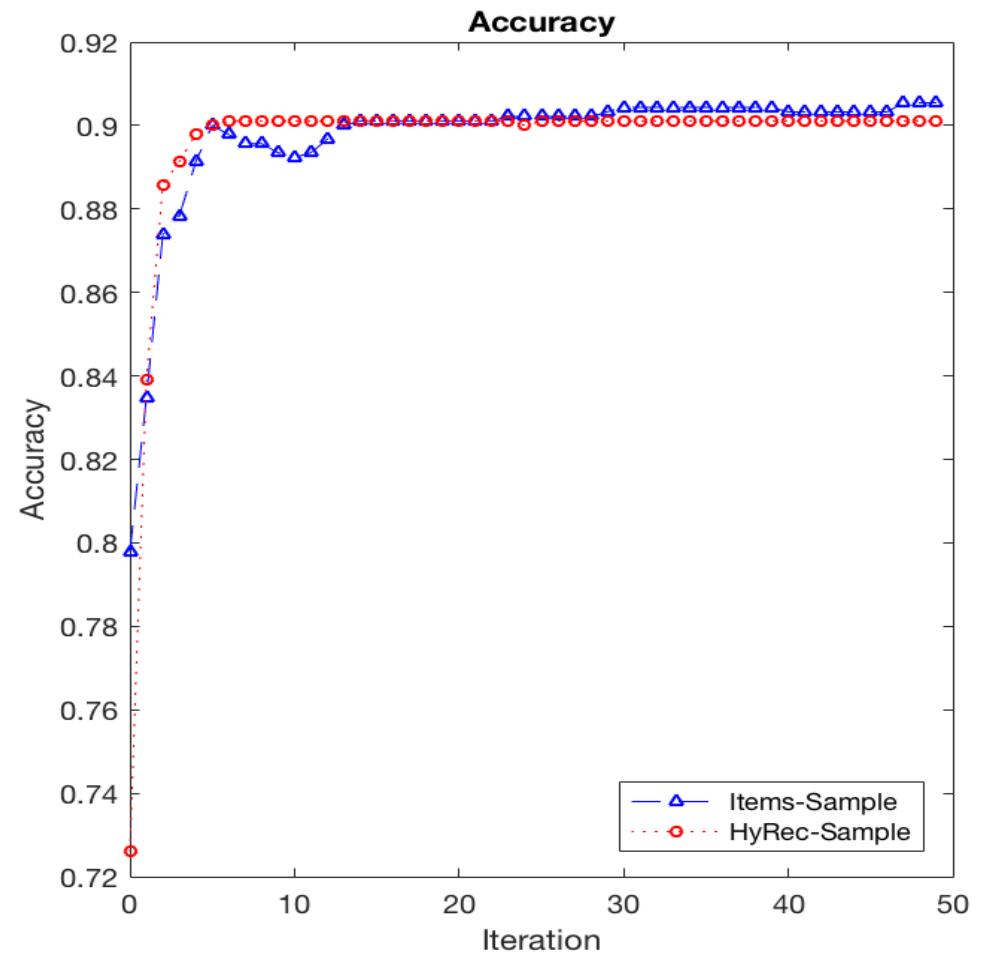
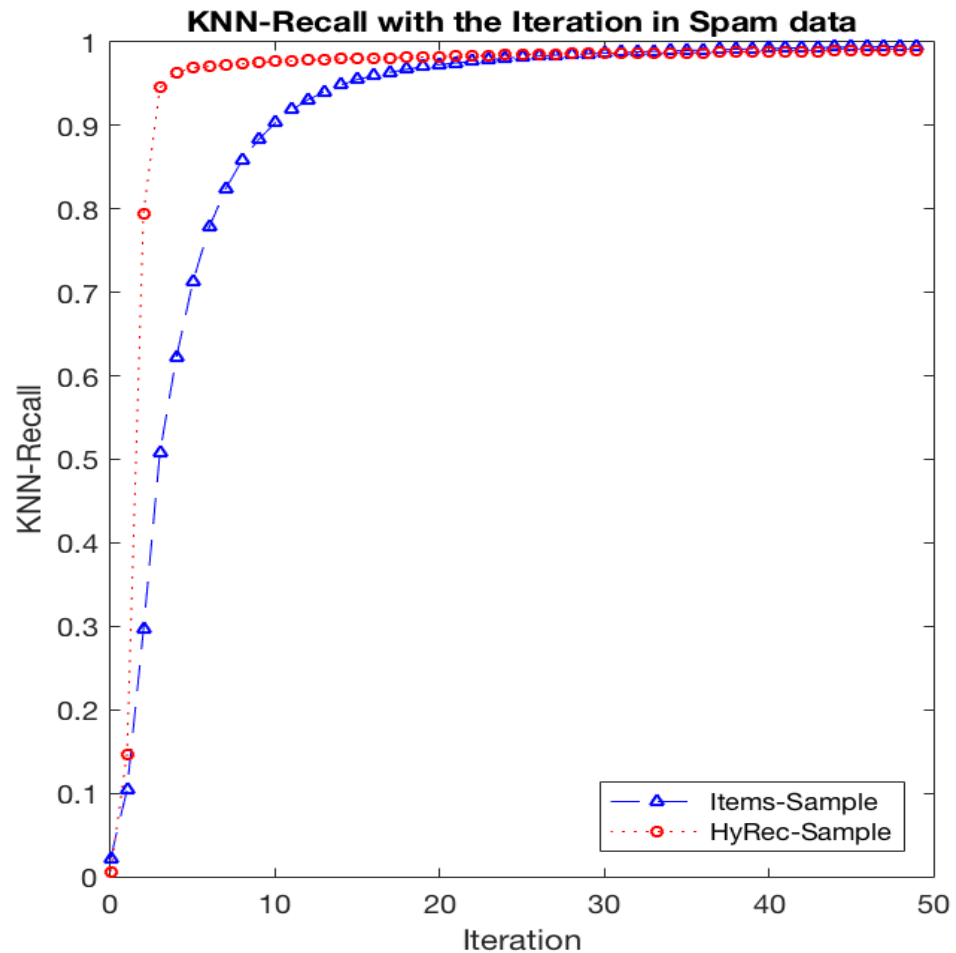
Predication MI100k



Predication Ml1m



Application On Spam (about 4000 emalis)



Conclusion

- DeKNNs will converge eventually.
- DeKNNs are faster than HyRec.
- It-DeKNN is better than KM-DeKNN
- HyRec can converge faster and is very stable.