

By MONDAY \rightarrow Dashboard will be updated

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MATRIX FACTORIZATION

$$6 = 2 \times 3 \quad (\text{factors of } 6)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix}_{n \times m} = \begin{bmatrix} B \end{bmatrix}_{n \times d} \times \begin{bmatrix} C \end{bmatrix}_{d \times m}$$

$$A_{n \times m} \quad \text{where,} \quad n \simeq 10^9 \text{ users} \\ m \simeq 10^8 \text{ items}$$

$$\text{Total cells in } A = 10^9 \times 10^8 = 10^{17}$$



A is a Sparse Matrix.

NOTE! Goal is to complete the matrix (fill empty values)

2009 \rightarrow Netflix Prize Competition \rightarrow to improve R.S.

Winning Team: 10% improvement

\hookrightarrow Matrix Factorization

→ one of the most important algorithm for R.S.

→ frequently used in modern R.S.

	Items (Movies)				
Users	I ₁	I ₂	I ₃	I ₄	
U ₁	5	?	3	?	A _{nxm}
U ₂	?	4	?	2	
U ₃	1	?	2	?	

→ Most values are missing (?) because every user rarely gives a rating.

Goal: Predict the missing ratings

↳ for better recommendations

	Action	Romance
U ₁ → User	0.8	0.2

	Action	Romance
I ₂ → Avengers	0.9	0.1

	Action	Romance
I ₄ → Titanic	0.1	0.9

• Intuition behind M.F:

→ Users and Movies can be represented in a small number of hidden (latent) dimensions

Example:

→ Action v/s Romance preference.

→ Serious v/s Light-hearted preference.

→ Old v/s New Movies

→ We don't define these dimensions, algorithm learns them.

• NETFLIX :

$$A_{n \times m} = B_{n \times d} \times C_{d \times m}$$

where,

$d \rightarrow$ hidden dimensions (latent features)

Suppose, we have 2 latent factors

(i) Action-level

(ii) Romance-level

	Action	Romance
B → User 1	5	1
User 2	1	4

	Action	Romance
C →	Item1 (Avengers)	0.9
	Item2 (Titanic)	0.1
	Item3 (Inception)	0.8

Predicted Rating →

$$= [5 \quad 1] \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 5(0.9) + 1(0.1)$$

Max. ratings

$$= 4.6 \checkmark$$

is 5

↳ Very high



User 1 will like Avengers and give 4.6 rating.

M.F re-writes:

Original Big Matrix → A

$$A_{n \times m} = B_{n \times d} \times C_{d \times m}$$

where, $d \rightarrow$ latent factors (hidden preferences)

$$d \sim [10, 100]$$

$$n \rightarrow 1,00,000 \text{ users}$$

$$m \rightarrow 10,000 \text{ movies}$$

$$\text{cells in } A \rightarrow 10^5 \times 10^4 \simeq 10^9 \text{ cells}$$

$$d = 50$$

$$B = 10^5 \times 50$$

$$C = 10^4 \times 50$$

} smaller matrices



captures meaningful
structure

• Benefits of M.F :

① Captures hidden patterns / preferences

② Handles sparse data

③ Scales to millions of users / items

④ Better personalization / recommendation

• How do we learn / make matrix B and C ?

→ Given very few observed ratings (non-empty cells),
our goal is to find ' B ' and ' C ' such that predicted ratings

are close to actual ratings.

Optimization Problem:

Loss function: actual rating - predicted rating

actual rating = 8

user latent vector = b_i

item latent vector = c_j

Item

User

A

[? 1 ? 5]
[④ ? ? 1]
[1 2 ? ?]

n x m

= [B] × [C]

n x d

d x m

$$= B_2 \times C_1$$

$4 \gg 2$
 $4 \simeq 3.95$

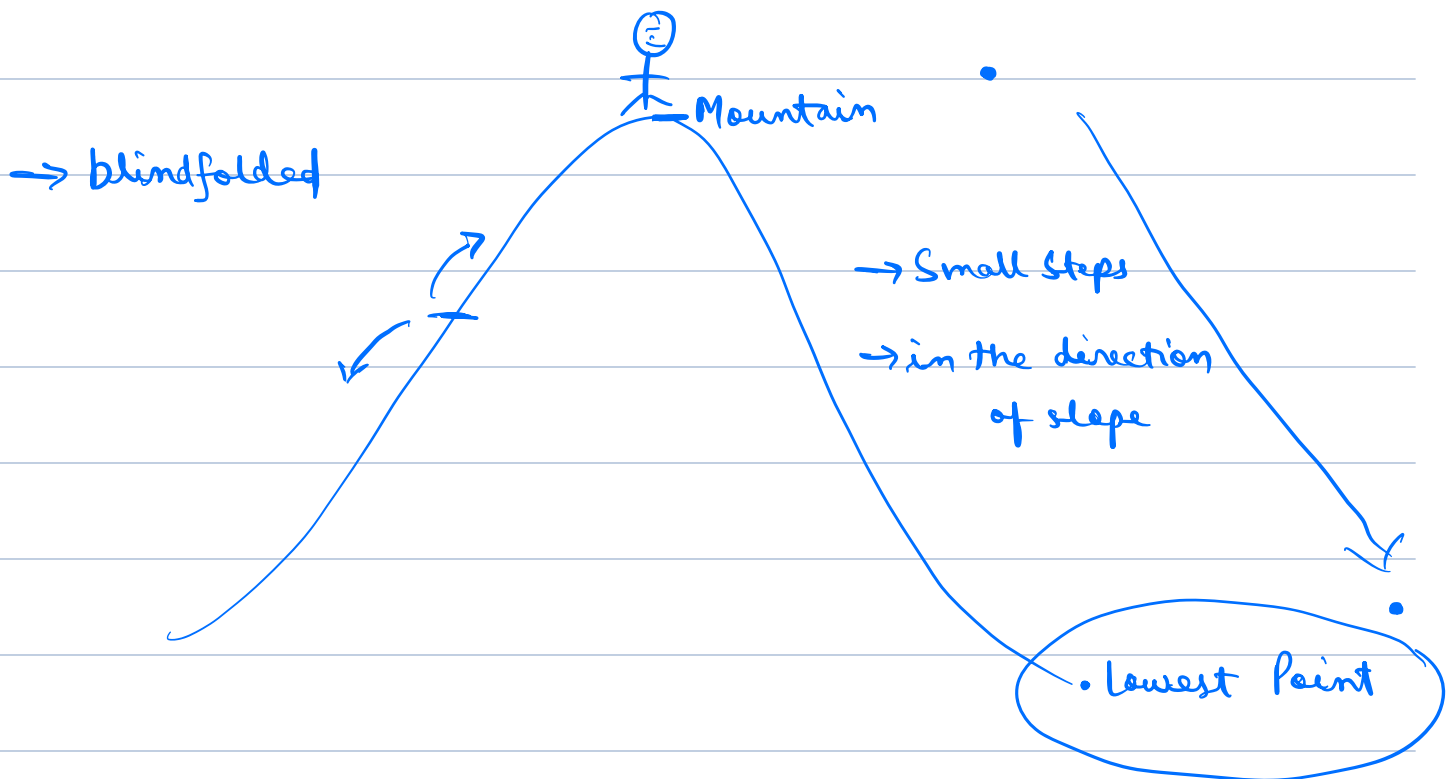
$$L.F = \sum (r - b_i \cdot c_j)^2 + \lambda (||b_i||^2 + ||c_j||^2)$$

$\lambda \Rightarrow$ regularization term (prevents overfitting)

• 2 common Optimization techniques:

① SGD \rightarrow Stochastic Gradient Descent

② ALS \rightarrow Alternating Least Squares



$[B]$ $[C]$

⑩ \longleftrightarrow ②

L.F \rightarrow error

\downarrow

Modify B and C

Repeat
till

\rightarrow error convergence

\rightarrow small improvement

\downarrow

④

\downarrow

⑥

\downarrow

⑧

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Steps of SGD:

Stochastic = Random

SGD updates user vector (B) and item vector (C) directly by the following the gradient of loss function

① Initialise \rightarrow randomly assigning values of B and C .

② Loop over each known rating:

(i) Store actual rating

(ii) Predict rating using " $B \times C$ "

(iii) Compute the error

③ Update user vector (B_i) and item vector (C_j)

④ Repeat above steps until: (epochs)

\hookrightarrow error convergence

\hookrightarrow improvement becomes small

Mathematically,

① Initialize: user vector $\rightarrow B_i$ (Assign small values)
item vector $\rightarrow C_j$

② For each non-empty rating $A_{ij} \rightarrow$

(i) Predict Rating $\rightarrow B_i \times C_j$

(ii) Compute Error

$$\rightarrow e_{ij} = (A_{ij} - B_i \cdot C_j)$$

③ Update user vector	$= B_i \leftarrow B_i + \eta (e_{ij} \cdot C_j - \lambda B_i)$
Update item vector	$= C_j \leftarrow C_j + \eta [e_{ij} B_i - \lambda C_j]$

η = learning rate

λ = regularization term (prevents overfitting)

- Repeat above until convergence

NOTE: Happens incrementally, rating by rating

② ALS \rightarrow Alternating Least Squares

Fix items (C) \rightarrow Adjust users (B)

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ALS says:

"Let not adjust both together - it's messy"

$$\text{Loss function} = \min. \sum (A_{ij} - B_i \cdot C_j)^2$$

(Least Squares Problem)

SGD $\rightarrow B \times C \rightarrow$ getting updated together

(10)

$2 \times 3 \rightarrow$

$3 \times 4 \rightarrow$

ALS \rightarrow

we fix B \rightarrow adjust C \rightarrow

we fix C \rightarrow adjust B

	SGD	ALS
Update Style	one rating at a time	all users first then items
Math Type	gradient descent	least squares
Speed	slow for huge datasets	faster
Stability	sensitive to learning rate	very stable
Used in	small/medium datasets	Big data

H.W. → PCA → Eigen value Decomposition
↳ SVD → Singular Vector Decomposition

Code Implementation of M.F: