

Overview

- recommendation based on user interactions with items in a system
- interactions such as
 - user ratings
 - clicks
 - purchases

Core Assumptions

- two type of entities
 - users
 - items
- interaction between users and items via online system
- all user-item-interactions are tracked
 - matrix entry

Example

- A database of users and items
- Example:
 - We are interested in Alice, and want to predict how she would like Item5.
 - Given: We know Alice's ratings for Item1, Item2, Item3, Item4; and ratings from User1, User2, User3, User4 for all items

	Item1	Item2	Item3	Item4	Item5
Alice	5	3	4	4	?
User1	3	1	2	3	3
User2	4	3	4	3	5
User3	3	3	1	5	4
User4	1	5	5	2	1

Example from Jannach et al. – Recommender Systems An Introduction, see last slide

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- Which vector describes Alice? Which User1, User2, User3, User4?
 - Which vector describes Item5? Which Item1, Item2, Item3, Item4?
- - Note: Alice and Item5 have missing values at index 5 / index 1 respectively!

CF Techniques

- [[User Based CF]]
 - assuming users A and B are similar
 - * similarity score needs to be above threshold
 - recommend items which A liked to B
- [[Item Based CF]]
 - assuming items x and y are similar
 - if A liked x also recommend y