Movie Lens Final project

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1) Introduction

This project is to develop model to predict rating of a movie based on given data set which has around 10M records. Goal is to develop and anlayse different models and recommend the best based on the one which has lowers RMSE value. Towards this objects first we shall download and split the data into two groups - training (90%) and validation (10%)

2) Initial project setup

As First step of the exercise we shall download the data and get it fine tuned to create the model. For this we shall also download and install necessary packages & add required libraries

```
## Data Loading and Preparation
# Create edx set, validation set, and submission file
# Note: this process could take a couple of minutes
if(!require(tidyverse)) install.packages("tidyverse", repos = "http://cran.us.r-project.org")
if(!require(caret)) install.packages("caret", repos = "http://cran.us.r-project.org")
if(!require(ggplot2)) install.packages("ggplot2", repos = "http://cran.us.r-project.org")
# Add the required libraries
library(caret)
library(tidyverse)
library(lubridate)
# MovieLens 10M dataset:
# https://grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/10m/
{\it \# http://files.grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/ml-10m.zip}
dl <- tempfile()</pre>
download.file("http://files.grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/ml-10m.zip", dl)
ratings <- read.table(text = gsub("::", "\t", readLines(unzip(dl, "ml-10M100K/ratings.dat"))),</pre>
                    col.names = c("userId", "movieId", "rating", "timestamp"))
movies <- str_split_fixed(readLines(unzip(dl, "ml-10M100K/movies.dat")), "\\::", 3)
colnames(movies) <- c("movieId", "title", "genres")</pre>
movies <- as.data.frame(movies) %>% mutate(movieId = as.numeric(levels(movieId))[movieId],
                                        title = as.character(title),
                                        genres = as.character(genres))
```

```
movielens <- left_join(ratings, movies, by = "movieId")
# Validation set will be 10% of MovieLens data

set.seed(1)
test_index <- createDataPartition(y = movielens$rating, times = 1, p = 0.1, list = FALSE)
edx <- movielens[-test_index,]
temp <- movielens[test_index,]

# Make sure userId and movieId in validation set are also in edx set

validation <- temp %>%
    semi_join(edx, by = "movieId") %>%
    semi_join(edx, by = "userId")

# Add rows removed from validation set back into edx set

removed <- anti_join(temp, validation)
edx <- rbind(edx, removed)

rm(dl, ratings, movies, test_index, temp, movielens, removed)</pre>
```

3) Data Analysis

Before we develop our model we shall first manipulate the given data to extract the year of evaluation and year of release. Also we shall remove unwanted columns from the data set as it will unnecessarily strain the internal memory space

3.1) Data Manipulaion

```
# Extract the year of release information from the title column and add that info to a new column year_edx <- edx %>% mutate(year_release = as.numeric(str_sub(title,-5,-2)))
validation <- validation %>% mutate(year_release = as.numeric(str_sub(title,-5,-2)))

# Add a new column called year_eval and update it with year of Evaluation information from the timestam edx <- edx %>% mutate(year_eval = year(as_datetime(timestamp)))
validation <- validation %>% mutate(year_eval = year(as_datetime(timestamp)))

# To save memory remove the timestamp & title columns from both the training and validation data set edx <- edx %>% select(-c(timestamp, title))
validation <- validation %>% select(-c(timestamp, title))
```

3.2) Exploration

Having finetuned the given data set let us now deep dive into the data to understand more about it before start developing the models

Summary details of the data set

Below detail shows the data between trainign and validation set are evenly distributed at high level without big variation

summary(edx)

```
##
        userId
                        movieId
                                          rating
                                                          genres
##
    Min.
           :
                                      Min.
                                              :0.500
                                                       Length:9000061
                 1
                     Min.
                                  1
    1st Qu.:18122
                               648
                                      1st Qu.:3.000
                                                       Class : character
##
                     1st Qu.:
                                                       Mode :character
##
    Median :35743
                     Median: 1834
                                      Median :4.000
           :35869
##
    Mean
                     Mean
                            : 4120
                                      Mean
                                              :3.512
##
    3rd Qu.:53602
                     3rd Qu.: 3624
                                      3rd Qu.:4.000
           :71567
                            :65133
                                              :5.000
##
   {\tt Max.}
                     Max.
                                      Max.
##
     year release
                      year_eval
##
   Min.
           :1915
                    Min.
                           :1995
##
   1st Qu.:1987
                    1st Qu.:2000
## Median :1994
                    Median:2002
##
  Mean
           :1990
                    Mean
                           :2002
##
    3rd Qu.:1998
                    3rd Qu.:2005
##
   Max.
           :2008
                    Max.
                           :2009
```

summary(validation)

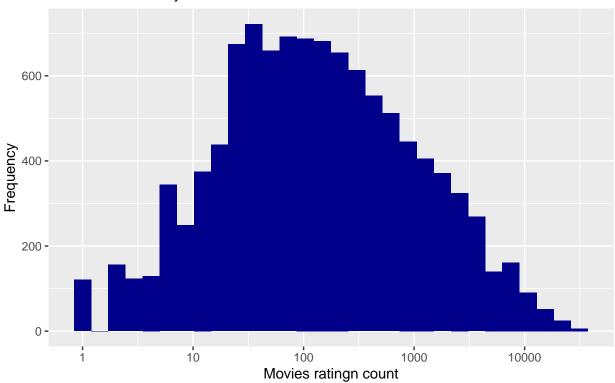
```
movieId
##
        userId
                                         rating
                                                         genres
##
    Min.
           :
                    Min.
                                     Min.
                                                      Length:999993
                1
                            :
                                 1
                                             :0.500
##
    1st Qu.:18127
                    1st Qu.: 653
                                     1st Qu.:3.000
                                                      Class : character
   Median :35719
                    Median: 1835
                                     Median :4.000
                                                      Mode :character
##
##
    Mean
           :35878
                    Mean
                           : 4121
                                     Mean
                                             :3.512
   3rd Qu.:53649
                    3rd Qu.: 3633
##
                                     3rd Qu.:4.000
##
    Max.
           :71567
                    Max.
                            :65133
                                     Max.
                                             :5.000
##
    year release
                     year eval
##
           :1915
   Min.
                   Min.
                           :1995
##
   1st Qu.:1987
                   1st Qu.:2000
## Median :1994
                   Median:2002
##
   Mean
           :1990
                   Mean
                           :2002
##
    3rd Qu.:1998
                   3rd Qu.:2005
##
    Max.
           :2008
                   Max.
                           :2009
# Unique list of values across different fields
edx %>% summarize(UnqGenre = n_distinct(genres), UnqMid = n_distinct(movieId) ,
                  UnqUid = n_distinct(userId), UnqYRls = n_distinct(year_release),
                  UnqYEva = n_distinct(year_eval))
```

```
## UnqGenre UnqMid UnqUid UnqYRls UnqYEva
## 1 797 10677 69878 94 15
```

We shall deep dive into different aspects of the data that will have impact on the models

```
# Analysing how many times different Movies have been rated
edx %>% count(movieId) %>% ggplot(aes(n)) +
geom_histogram(fill = "darkblue") +
scale_x_log10() +
labs(title = "Movie Data Distribution",
    subtitle = "Movie distribution by count",
    x = "Movies ratingn count",
    y = "Frequency")
```

Movie distribution by count



The above historgram shows that there are some movies which were rated nearly 1000 times where as some moves are rated only 10 times. This will have impact on the output of the model when rating for a movie which was less rated has to be predicted where as the prediction of rating for a movie which was rated more will be more closure to actual value

Alongside the historgram analysis We shall also look the top 5 records for each of the evaluation parameter

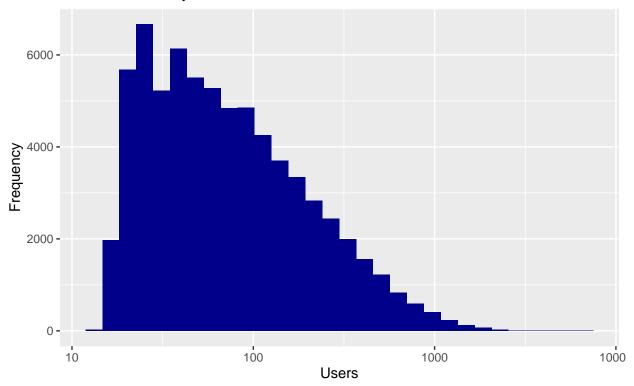
```
#Top 5 movies which has more review rating than others
top5Movies <- edx %>% group_by(movieId) %>% summarize(count = n()) %>%
arrange(desc(count)) %>% head(5)
top5Movies
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
## movieId count
## <dbl> <int>
## 1 296 31336
```

```
## 2 356 31076
## 3 593 30280
## 4 480 29291
## 5 318 27988
```

```
# Analysing how many times different user have rated movies
edx %>% count(userId) %>% ggplot(aes(n)) +
  geom_histogram(fill = "darkblue" , bins=30) +
  scale_x_log10() +
  labs(title = "Movie Data Distribution",
      subtitle = " User distribution by count",
      x = "Users",
      y = "Frequency")
```

User distribution by count



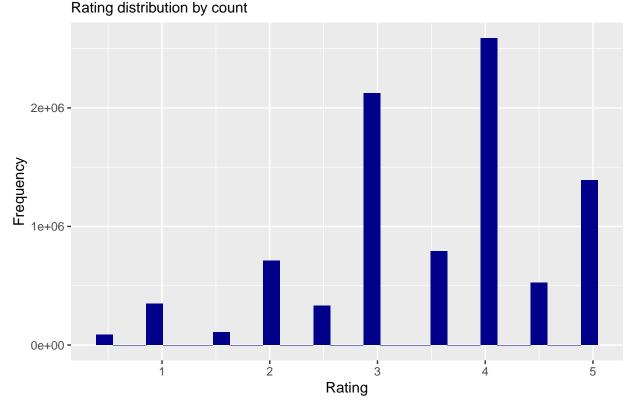
The output clearly shows that quite large number of o users have rated only very few movies where some users have rated more. Similar to above analysis on movie histogram this also will impact the rating prediction based on for user the rating has to be predicted

```
# Top 5 users who rated more movies than others
top5Users <- edx %>% group_by(userId) %>% summarize(count = n()) %>%
arrange(desc(count)) %>% head(5)
top5Users
```

A tibble: 5 x 2

```
## userId count
## <int> <int> <int> <int> 
## 1 59269 6637
## 2 67385 6376
## 3 14463 4637
## 4 68259 4056
## 5 27468 4018
```

```
# Analysing how many times different movies have scored similar ratings
edx %>% ggplot(aes(rating)) +
  geom_histogram(fill = "darkblue") +
  labs(title = "Movie Data Distribution",
       subtitle = "Rating distribution by count",
       x = "Rating",
       y = "Frequency")
```

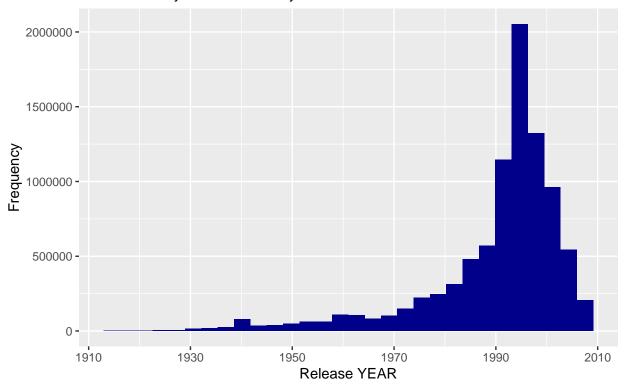


We saw above that there is huge gap between number of time different movies are rated. This will have rippling impact on the rating also based how good the movie was that was rated more. From the histogram above it looks most of the frequently rated movies were good and hence we see many movies with rating 4 and 3

```
# Ratings which has more count during movie review
top5Rating <- edx %>% group_by(rating) %>% summarize(count = n()) %>%
arrange(desc(count)) %>% head(5)
top5Rating
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
##
     rating
             count
      <dbl>
##
              <int>
            2588021
## 1
        4
## 2
        3
            2121638
## 3
        5
            1390541
## 4
        3.5 792037
## 5
        2
             710998
```

Movie release year distribution by count



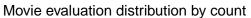
The output shows that out of the evaluated movies that were rated many were between 90s and early 2000s. This will have profound impact on the rating provided because even though the old movies are good enough with the advancement of technology they may not be rated much when evaluated in present situation. For eg. Horror movie taken before 1950s may not be that much appealing now as computer graphics and cinematography has advanced by many leap now

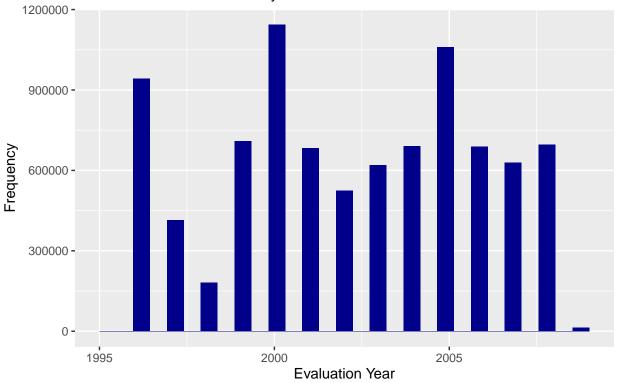
```
# The top 5 year where there are more movie releases
top5YrRls <- edx %>% group_by(year_release) %>%
summarize(count = n()) %>% arrange(desc(count)) %>% head(5)
```

top5YrRls

Analysing the count of when the movies were evaluated. The reason why we consider this parameter also is that as explained later the year of evaluation might have some impact when rating older movies

Movie Data Distribution





As explained for the year of Release parameter histogram here we can that our data contains evaluation only post 1995. So there is high probability that rating of older movies might have been less. Also there is very

less data post 2008. This will have profound impact on our prediction when the evaluation done post 2008 has to be predicted.

```
#Top 5 years when more movies were evaluated when compared to rest of the period
top5YrEval <- edx %>% group_by(year_eval) %>%
  summarize(count = n()) %>% arrange(desc(count)) %>% head(5)
top5YrEval
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
##
    year_eval
                 count
##
         <dbl>
                 <int>
## 1
          2000 1144666
## 2
          2005 1059807
## 3
          1996 942976
## 4
          1999 709978
## 5
          2008 696027
# We shall also look at the top 5 movie Genres which were reviewed more than others
top5Genres <- edx %>% group_by(genres) %>%
  summarize(count = n()) %>% arrange(desc(count)) %>% head(5)
top5Genres
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
##
     genres
                           count
     <chr>
##
                           <int>
## 1 Drama
                          733353
## 2 Comedy
                          700883
## 3 Comedy|Romance
                          365894
## 4 Comedy|Drama
                          323518
## 5 Comedy|Drama|Romance 261098
```

4) Model develpment

First we shall evaluate the baseline model where in the impact of different paramters of evaluation like user, genre, movie are not taken into consideration

4.1) Baseline model

```
mu_edx_rating <- mean(edx$rating)
model_baseline <- RMSE(validation$rating, mu_edx_rating)

rmse_report <- tibble(method = "Base Line average Model", RMSE = model_baseline)
rmse_report%>%knitr::kable()
```

method	RMSE
Base Line average Model	1.060651

The RMSE value which is greater than 1 is significantly higher and has to be brought down

4.2) Movie genre impact model

We shall finetune the model by taking into consideration the moviegenre

method	RMSE
Base Line average Model	1.060651
Movie Genre Model	1.018114

we see that there is slight improvement in the RMSE value though not significant

4.3) Movie genre & User impact model

method	RMSE
Base Line average Model	1.0606506
Movie Genre Model	1.0181142
Movie Genre & User effect Model	0.9405503

The RMSE value has improved significantly by inclusion of user detail

4.4) Movie genre, User& Year Release impact model

We shall now improvise further by adding Year of Release value

```
movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_avgs_norm <- edx %>%
  left_join(movieGenres_avgs_norm, by='genres') %>%
  left_join(movieGenres_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  group_by(year_release) %>%
  summarize(b_movieGenres_userId_yearRelease =
              mean(rating - mu_edx_rating -
                   b_movieGenres - b_movieGenres_userId))
predicted_movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_norm <- validation %>%
  left_join(movieGenres_avgs_norm, by='genres') %>%
  left_join(movieGenres_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  left_join(movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_avgs_norm, by='year_release') %>%
  mutate(rating = mu_edx_rating + b_movieGenres + b_movieGenres_userId +
           b_movieGenres_userId_yearRelease )
model movieGenres userId yearRelease rmse <-</pre>
  RMSE(predicted_movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_norm$rating ,
       validation$rating)
rmse_report <-
  rbind(rmse_report,
        tibble(method = "Movie Genre, User & Release Year effect Model",
               RMSE = model_movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_rmse))
rmse_report%>%knitr::kable()
```

method	RMSE
	-
Base Line average Model	1.0606506
Movie Genre Model	1.0181142
Movie Genre & User effect Model	0.9405503
Movie Genre, User & Release Year effect Model	0.9337631

The RMSE value has improved further but still it is above 0.93.

4.5) Movie genre, User, Release year & Evaluation year impact model

```
movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_avgs_norm <- edx "%" left_join(movieGenres_avgs_norm, by='genre
  left_join(movieGenres_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  left_join(movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_avgs_norm, by='year_release') %>%
  group_by(year_eval) %>%
  summarize(b_movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_yearEval =
            mean(rating - mu_edx_rating - b_movieGenres -
                   b_movieGenres_userId - b_movieGenres_userId_yearRelease))
predicted movieGenres userId yearRelease yearEval norm <- validation %>%
  left_join(movieGenres_avgs_norm, by='genres') %>%
  left_join(movieGenres_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  left_join(movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_avgs_norm, by='year_release') %>%
  left_join(movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_avgs_norm, by='year_eval') %>%
  mutate(rating = mu_edx_rating + b_movieGenres + b_movieGenres_userId +
         b movieGenres userId yearRelease +
         b_movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_yearEval )
model_movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_rmse <-</pre>
  RMSE(predicted_movieGenres_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_norm$rating ,
       validation $rating)
rmse_report <-
  rbind(rmse_report,
        tibble(method = "Movie Genre, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model",
rmse_report%>%knitr::kable()
```

method	RMSE
Base Line average Model	1.0606506
Movie Genre Model	1.0181142
Movie Genre & User effect Model	0.9405503
Movie Genre, User & Release Year effect Model	0.9337631
Movie Genre, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model	0.9335645

There is no significant impact by including the year of evaluation in the model

So far we tried model based on Movie Genre as it will help if in future we get any new movie (not in training set but belongs to genre available in training set) to be predicted for rating . Now we shall slightly change track and try model based on the Movie Id to see whether we can improve the RMSE further though this model will not be able to help if a new movie which is not in the existing data set has to be predicted for rating even thought it belongs to existing genre

4.6) Movie Id impact model

```
movieId_avgs_norm <- edx %>%
  group_by(movieId) %>%
  summarize(b_movieId = mean(rating - mu_edx_rating))
```

method	RMSE
Base Line average Model	1.0606506
Movie Genre Model	1.0181142
Movie Genre & User effect Model	0.9405503
Movie Genre, User & Release Year effect Model	0.9337631
Movie Genre, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model	0.9335645
Movie effect Model	0.9437046

4.7) Movie Id & User impact model

method	RMSE
Base Line average Model	1.0606506
Movie Genre Model	1.0181142
Movie Genre & User effect Model	0.9405503
Movie Genre, User & Release Year effect Model	0.9337631
Movie Genre, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model	0.9335645
Movie effect Model	0.9437046
Movie & User effect Model	0.8655329

Inclusion of user impact to the movie Id model has significantly brought down the RMSE value to below 0.9. We shall further explore whether this can further be brought down by including Year of Release parameter

4.8) Movie Id, User & Year Release impact model

```
movieId_userId_yearRelease_avgs_norm <- edx %>%
  left_join(movieId_avgs_norm, by='movieId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  group_by(year_release) %>%
  summarize(b_movieId_userId_yearRelease =
      mean(rating - mu_edx_rating - b_movieId - b_movieId_userId))
predicted_movieId_userId_yearRelease_norm <- validation %>%
  left join(movieId avgs norm, by='movieId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_yearRelease_avgs_norm, by='year_release') %>%
  mutate(rating = mu_edx_rating + b_movieId + b_movieId_userId +
           b movieId userId yearRelease )
model_movieId_userId_yearRelease_rmse <-</pre>
  RMSE(predicted_movieId_userId_yearRelease_norm$rating , validation$rating)
rmse_report <-
  rbind(rmse_report, tibble(method = "Movie, User & Release Year effect Model ",
                           RMSE = model_movieId_userId_yearRelease_rmse))
rmse_report%>%knitr::kable()
```

method	RMSE
Base Line average Model	1.0606506
Movie Genre Model	1.0181142
Movie Genre & User effect Model	0.9405503
Movie Genre, User & Release Year effect Model	0.9337631
Movie Genre, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model	0.9335645
Movie effect Model	0.9437046
Movie & User effect Model	0.8655329
Movie, User & Release Year effect Model	0.8652156

Inclusion of Year of Release has further fine tuned our model. Now we shall try to improvise by adding additional parameter of Year of Evaluation

4.9) Movie Id, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year impact model

```
movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_avgs_norm <- edx %>%
  left_join(movieId_avgs_norm, by='movieId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_yearRelease_avgs_norm, by='year_release') %>%
  group_by(year_eval) %>%
```

```
summarize(b_movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval =
    mean(rating - mu_edx_rating - b_movieId - b_movieId_userId
           b_movieId_userId_yearRelease))
predicted_movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_norm <- validation %>%
  left_join(movieId_avgs_norm, by='movieId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  left join(movieId userId yearRelease avgs norm, by='year release') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_avgs_norm, by='year_eval') %>%
  mutate(rating = mu_edx_rating + b_movieId + b_movieId_userId +
         b_movieId_userId_yearRelease + b_movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval)
model_movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_rmse <-</pre>
  RMSE(predicted_movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_norm$rating ,
       validation$rating)
rmse_report <-
  rbind(rmse_report,
        tibble(method = "Movie, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model",
                RMSE = model_movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_rmse))
rmse_report%>%knitr::kable()
```

method	RMSE
Base Line average Model	1.0606506
Movie Genre Model	1.0181142
Movie Genre & User effect Model	0.9405503
Movie Genre, User & Release Year effect Model	0.9337631
Movie Genre, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model	0.9335645
Movie effect Model	0.9437046
Movie & User effect Model	0.8655329
Movie, User & Release Year effect Model	0.8652156
Movie, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model	0.8651296

The RMSE value has now come to desired value of around 0.85 which is far lower than the base line average.

4.10) Regularization of Movie Id, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year impact model

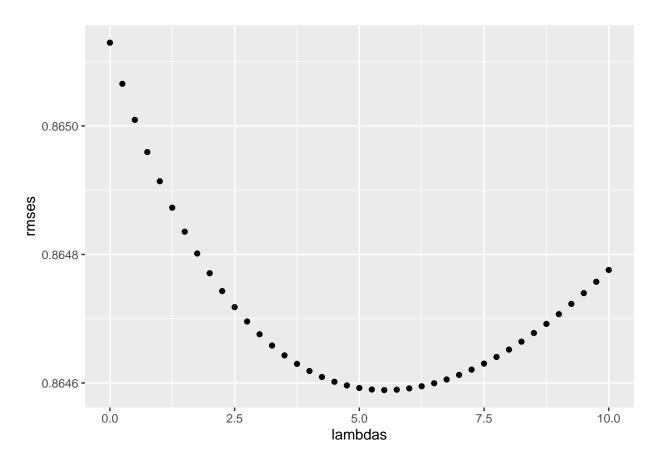
Now we shall try to improvise this model further with the regularization which helps us to penalize large estimates that are formed from small sample sizes.

```
lambdas <- seq(0, 10, 0.25)

rmses <- sapply(lambdas, function(1){

movieId_avgs_norm <- edx %>% group_by(movieId) %>%
    summarize(b_movieId = sum(rating - mu_edx_rating)/(n()+1))
```

```
movieId_userId_avgs_norm <- edx %>%
  left_join(movieId_avgs_norm, by='movieId') %>%
  group_by(userId) %>%
  summarize(b_movieId_userId = sum(rating - mu_edx_rating - b_movieId)/(n()+1))
movieId_userId_yearRelease_avgs_norm <- edx %>%
  left join(movieId avgs norm, by='movieId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  group_by(year_release) %>%
  summarize(b_movieId_userId_yearRelease =
      sum(rating - mu_edx_rating - b_movieId - b_movieId_userId)/(n()+1))
movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_avgs_norm <- edx %>%
  left_join(movieId_avgs_norm, by='movieId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_yearRelease_avgs_norm, by='year_release') %>%
  group_by(year_eval) %>%
  summarize(b_movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval =
    sum(rating - mu_edx_rating - b_movieId - b_movieId_userId -
           b_movieId_userId_yearRelease)/(n()+1))
predicted_movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_norm <- validation %>%
  left_join(movieId_avgs_norm, by='movieId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_avgs_norm, by='userId') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_yearRelease_avgs_norm, by='year_release') %>%
  left_join(movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_avgs_norm, by='year_eval') %>%
  mutate(rating = mu_edx_rating + b_movieId + b_movieId_userId +
         b_movieId_userId_yearRelease + b_movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval)
return(RMSE(predicted_movieId_userId_yearRelease_yearEval_norm$rating ,
       validation$rating))
})
qplot(lambdas, rmses)
```



```
lambda <- lambdas[which.min(rmses)]
lambda</pre>
```

[1] 5.5

method	RMSE
Base Line average Model	1.0606506
Movie Genre Model	1.0181142
Movie Genre & User effect Model	0.9405503
Movie Genre, User & Release Year effect Model	0.9337631
Movie Genre, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model	0.9335645
Movie effect Model	0.9437046
Movie & User effect Model	0.8655329
Movie, User & Release Year effect Model	0.8652156
Movie, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model	0.8651296
Regularized Movie, User, Release Year & Evaluation Year effect Model	0.8645890

The Regularization has further reduced the RMSE value and turns out to be the best of all the models that we tried so far . This can be used to predict the rating of any movie

5) Conclusion

Based on the limited input paramters available in the data set our last model based on the 4 parameters (movieId, user, release year & evaluation year) is the best of the model that can be arrived to predict any future movie. If we can have more parameters like the age & gender & preference (taste) of the evaluator this can be further tuned to achieve more precision in predicting values