#### **Book Rental Recommendation**

# **Course-end Project 6**

#### DESCRIPTION

Book Rent is the largest online and offline book rental chain in India. They provide books of various genres, such as thrillers, mysteries, romances, and science fiction. The company charges a fixed rental fee for a book per month. Lately, the company has been losing its user base. The main reason for this is that users are not able to choose the right books for themselves. The company wants to solve this problem and increase its revenue and profit.

### Project Objective:

You, as an ML expert, should focus on improving the user experience by personalizing it to the user's needs. You have to model a recommendation engine so that users get recommendations for books based on the behavior of similar users. This will ensure that users are renting the books based on their tastes and traits.

Note: You have to perform user-based collaborative filtering and item-based collaborative filtering.

### Dataset Description:

- BX-Users: It contains the information of users.
  - user\_id These have been anonymized and mapped to integers
  - Location Demographic data is provided
  - Age Demographic data is provided If available. Otherwise, these fields contain NULL-values.
- BX-Books:
  - isbn Books are identified by their respective ISBNs. Invalid ISBNs have already been removed from the dataset.
  - book\_title
  - book\_author
  - year\_of\_publication
  - publisher
- BX-Book-Ratings: Contains the book rating information.
  - user\_id
  - isbn
  - rating Ratings (Book-Rating) are either explicit, expressed on a scale from 1-10 (higher values denoting higher appreciation), or implicit, expressed by 0.

Note: Download the "BX-Book-Ratings.csv", "BX-Books.csv", "BX-Users.csv", and "Recommend.csv" using the link given in the Book Rental Recommendation project problem statement.

Following operations should be performed:

- Read the books dataset and explore it
- Clean up NaN values
- Read the data where ratings are given by users
- Take a quick look at the number of unique users and books
- Convert ISBN variables to numeric numbers in the correct order
- Convert the user\_id variable to numeric numbers in the correct order
- Convert both user\_id and ISBN to the ordered list, i.e., from 0...n-1
- Re-index the columns to build a matrix
- Split your data into two sets (training and testing)
- Make predictions based on user and item variables
- Use RMSE to evaluate the predictions

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')
Drive already mounted at /content/drive; to attempt to forcibly
remount, call drive.mount("/content/drive", force remount=True).
df_user = pd.read_csv('/content/drive/MyDrive/Projects/Book-Rental-
Recommendation-main/book rental datasets/BX-
Users.csv',encoding='latin-1')
df user.head()
  user id
                                      Location
                                                 Aae
                           nyc, new york, usa
0
        1
                                                 NaN
        2
1
                    stockton, california, usa
                                                18.0
        3
              moscow, yukon territory, russia
2
                                                 NaN
3
        4
                    porto, v.n.gaia, portugal
                                                17.0
4
        5
           farnborough, hants, united kingdom
                                                 NaN
df user.tail()
       user id
                                           Location
                                                      Age
278854
        278854
                             portland, oregon, usa
                                                      NaN
278855
        278855
                tacoma, washington, united kingdom
                                                     50.0
278856
                         brampton, ontario, canada
       278856
                                                      NaN
                         knoxville, tennessee, usa
278857
        278857
                                                      NaN
                               dublin, n/a, ireland
278858
       278858
                                                      NaN
df user.shape
(278859, 3)
```

```
df user.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 278859 entries, 0 to 278858
Data columns (total 3 columns):
     Column
               Non-Null Count
                                Dtype
               -----
- - -
     -----
                                 _ _ _ _
 0
     user id
               278859 non-null
                                 object
 1
     Location 278858 non-null
                                object
 2
     Age
               168096 non-null
                                float64
dtypes: float64(1), object(2)
memory usage: 6.4+ MB
# Checking for Null Values.
df user.isnull().sum()
user_id
                 0
                 1
Location
            110763
Age
dtype: int64
df user.isnull().any()
user id
            False
Location
             True
Age
             True
dtype: bool
# Dropping the Null Values.
df user1=df user.dropna()
df_user1.isnull().sum()
user id
Location
            0
            0
Aae
dtype: int64
df_user1.isnull().any()
user id
            False
Location
            False
            False
Age
dtype: bool
Read the books Data and explore
df_books = pd.read_csv('/content/drive/MyDrive/Projects/Book-Rental-
Recommendation-main/book rental datasets/BX-Books.csv',
encoding='latin-1')
df books.head()
```

```
book title \
        isbn
  195153448
                                           Classical Mythology
0
1
    2005018
                                                  Clara Callan
2
   60973129
                                           Decision in Normandy
             Flu: The Story of the Great Influenza Pandemic...
3 374157065
                                         The Mummies of Urumchi
4 393045218
           book_author year_of_publication
publisher
    Mark P. O. Morford
0
                                      2002
                                               Oxford University
Press
1 Richard Bruce Wright
                                                 HarperFlamingo
                                      2001
Canada
          Carlo D'Este
                                      1991
HarperPerennial
      Gina Bari Kolata
                                      1999
                                                  Farrar Straus
Giroux
       E. J. W. Barber
                                      1999 W. W. Norton & amp;
Company
df books.shape
(271379, 5)
```

Reading the data where ratings are given We will read only first 10000 rows otherwise, Out Of Memory error can occur.

```
df_ratings = pd.read_csv('/content/drive/MyDrive/Projects/Book-Rental-
Recommendation-main/book rental datasets/BX-Book-
Ratings.csv',encoding='latin-1',nrows=10000)
```

## df ratings.head()

	user_id	isbn	rating
0	276 <del>7</del> 25	034545104X	0
1	276726	155061224	5
2	276727	446520802	0
3	276729	052165615X	3
4	276729	521795028	6

Using 'describe()' function It is used to view some basic statistical details like percentile, mean, std.

# df\_ratings.describe()

	user_id	rating
count	10000.000000	10000.000000
mean	265844.379600	1.974700
std	56937.189618	3.424884
min	2.000000	0.000000
25%	277478.000000	0.000000
50%	278418.000000	0.00000

```
75% 278418.000000 4.000000 max 278854.000000 10.000000
```

Merge the dataframes For all practical purposes, User Master Data is not required. So, ignore dataframe df\_user

```
df final = pd.merge(df ratings,df books,on='isbn')
df final.head()
   user_id
                  isbn
                        rating
                                           book title
                                                           book author
                              0 Flesh Tones: A Novel
0
    276725
            034545104X
                                                            M. J. Rose
    276726
                                     Rites of Passage
                                                            Judith Rae
1
             155061224
                              5
2
    276727
             446520802
                                         The Notebook Nicholas Sparks
                              0
3
    278418
             446520802
                                         The Notebook Nicholas Sparks
                              0
4
    276729 052165615X
                              3
                                       Help!: Level 1
                                                          Philip Prowse
  year of publication
                                         publisher
0
                 2002
                                  Ballantine Books
1
                 2001
                                            Heinle
2
                 1996
                                      Warner Books
3
                                      Warner Books
                 1996
4
                 1999
                       Cambridge University Press
```

Checking for unique users and books Here we are using 'nunique()' function that returns the Series with the number of distinct observations over the requested axis.

```
return itemindex[0][0]
 Length of isbn List: 8051
Convert user id variable to numeric type in order This is formatted as code.
# Convert and print length of user id list
userid_list = df_final.user_id.unique()
print(" Length of user_id List:", len(userid_list))
def get user id numeric id(user id):
    #print (\overline{\phantom{a}} isbn is:\overline{\phantom{a}} , isbn)
    itemindex = np.where(userid list==user id)
    return itemindex[0][0]
 Length of user id List: 828
Convert both user_id and isbn to ordered list i.e. from 0...n-1
df final['user id order'] =
df final['user id'].apply(get user id numeric id)
df_final['isbn_id'] = df_final['isbn'].apply(get_isbn_numeric_id)
df final.head()
   user id
                                               book title
                                                                 book author
                    isbn
                           rating
    276725 034545104X
                                0 Flesh Tones: A Novel
                                                                  M. J. Rose
1
    276726
              155061224
                                5
                                        Rites of Passage
                                                                  Judith Rae
2
    276727
              446520802
                                0
                                             The Notebook Nicholas Sparks
3
    278418
                                             The Notebook Nicholas Sparks
            446520802
                                0
4
    276729 052165615X
                                3
                                          Help!: Level 1
                                                               Philip Prowse
  year of publication
                                             publisher user id order
isbn id
                                     Ballantine Books
0
                   2002
                                                                       0
0
1
                   2001
                                                Heinle
                                                                       1
1
2
                   1996
                                         Warner Books
                                                                       2
2
3
                   1996
                                         Warner Books
                                                                       3
2
4
                   1999 Cambridge University Press
                                                                       4
3
```

itemindex = np.where(isbn list==isbn)

#### Re-index columns to build matrix

```
# Reindexing the columns
new_col_order = ['user_id_order', 'isbn_id', 'rating', 'book_title',
'book_author','year_of_publication','publisher','isbn','user_id']
df final = df final.reindex(columns= new col order)
df final.head()
   user id order isbn id
                           rating
                                             book title
book author \
                        0
                                                              M. J.
                                O Flesh Tones: A Novel
Rose
                        1
                                       Rites of Passage
1
               1
                                5
                                                              Judith
Rae
                                           The Notebook Nicholas
               2
                        2
                                0
Sparks
               3
                        2
                                           The Notebook Nicholas
Sparks
               4
                        3
                                3
                                         Help!: Level 1
                                                           Philip
Prowse
  year of publication
                                        publisher
                                                               user id
                                                         isbn
0
                                 Ballantine Books 034545104X
                 2002
                                                                276725
1
                 2001
                                           Heinle
                                                    155061224
                                                                276726
2
                                     Warner Books
                 1996
                                                    446520802
                                                                276727
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                 1996
                                     Warner Books
                                                    446520802
                                                                278418
4
                 1999 Cambridge University Press 052165615X
                                                                276729
```

#### Train Test Split

Recommendation Systems are difficult to evaluate, but we will still learn how to evaluate them. In order to do this, will split our data into two sets. However, we won't do our classic X\_train,X\_test,y\_train,y\_test split. Instead, we can actually just segement the data into two sets of data:

Importing train\_test\_split model

```
# Importing train_test_split model for splittig the data into train
and test set.
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
train_data, test_data = train_test_split(df_final, test_size=0.20)
```

Approach: We Will Use Memory-Based Collaborative Filtering

Memory-Based Collaborative Filtering approaches can be divided into two main sections: **user-item filtering** and **item-item filtering**.

A *user-item filtering* will take a particular user, find users that are similar to that user based on similarity of ratings, and recommend items that those similar users liked.

In contrast, *item-item filtering* will take an item, find users who liked that item, and find other items that those users or similar users also liked. It takes items as input and outputs other items as recommendations.

- Item-Item Collaborative Filtering: "Users who liked this item also liked ..."
- User-Item Collaborative Filtering: "Users who are similar to you also liked ..."

In both cases, we will create a user-book matrix which is built from the entire dataset. Since we have split the data into testing and training, we will need to create two [828  $\times$  8051] matrices (all users by all books). This is going to be a very large matrix. The training matrix contains 80% of the ratings and the testing matrix contains 20% of the ratings.

Create two user-book matrix for training and testing

Indented block

```
# Create user-book matrix for training
train_data_matrix = np.zeros((n_users, n_books))
for line in train_data.itertuples():
    train_data_matrix[line[1]-1, line[2]-1] = line[3]
# Create user-book matrix for testing
test_data_matrix = np.zeros((n_users, n_books))
for line in test_data.itertuples():
    test_data_matrix[line[1]-1, line[2]-1] = line[3]
```

Import Pairwise Model we can use the <u>pairwise\_distances</u> function from sklearn to calculate the cosine similarity. Note, the output will range from 0 to 1 since the ratings are all positive.

Make predictions

```
# Defining custom function to make predictions
def predict(ratings, similarity, type='user'):
    if type == 'user':
        mean user rating = ratings.mean(axis=1)
        # We will use np.newaxis so that mean user rating has same
format as ratings.
        ratings diff = (ratings - mean user rating[:, np.newaxis])
        pred = mean user rating[:, np.newaxis] +
similarity.dot(ratings diff) /
np.array([np.abs(similarity).sum(axis=1)]).T
    elif type == 'item':
        pred = ratings.dot(similarity) /
np.array([np.abs(similarity).sum(axis=1)])
    return pred
item prediction = predict(train data matrix, item similarity,
type='item')
user prediction = predict(train data matrix, user similarity,
type='user')
print(item prediction)
             0.00062112 0.00062112 ... 0.00062112 0.00062112
[[0.
0.000621121
                                     ... 0.
                                                                 0.
 [0.
             0.
                         0.
                                                     0.
 [0.06024845 0.06024845 0.06024845 ... 0.06024845 0.06024845
0.06024845]
 [0.
             0.
                         0.
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             0.
                         0.
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                                                     0.
                                                                 0.
 [0.
11
print(user prediction)
[[-0.00140369 -0.00140369 0.00222388 ... -0.00140369 -0.00140369
  -0.001403691
 [ \ 0.00402047 \ -0.00202548 \ \ 0.00160209 \ \dots \ -0.00202548 \ \ -0.00202548
  -0.00202548]
                            0.06191785 ... 0.05828927 0.05828927
 [ 0.06433689  0.05828927
   0.05828927]
 [0.00402047 - 0.00202548 \ 0.00160209 \dots -0.00202548 - 0.00202548]
  -0.00202548]
 [ \ 0.00402047 \ -0.00202548 \ \ 0.00160209 \ \dots \ -0.00202548 \ \ -0.00202548
  -0.002025481
 [ \ 0.00402047 \ -0.00202548 \ \ 0.00160209 \ \dots \ -0.00202548 \ \ -0.00202548
  -0.00202548]]
```

Evaluation There are many evaluation metrics, but one of the most popular metric used to evaluate accuracy of predicted ratings is *Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)*.

Since, we only want to consider predicted ratings that are in the test dataset, we will filter out all other elements in the prediction matrix with: prediction[ground truth.nonzero()].

```
# Importing RMSE function
from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error
from math import sqrt
# Defining custom function to filter out elements with
ground truth.nonzero
def rmse(prediction, ground truth):
    prediction = prediction[ground truth.nonzero()].flatten()
    ground truth = ground_truth[ground_truth.nonzero()].flatten()
    return sqrt(mean squared error(prediction, ground truth))
Printing RMSE value for user based and item based collaborative filtering
print('User-based CF RMSE: ' + str(rmse(user prediction,
test data matrix)))
print('Item-based CF RMSE: ' + str(rmse(item prediction,
test data matrix)))
User-based CF RMSE: 7.64282446495462
Item-based CF RMSE: 7.642043411808196
```

Both the approach yield almost same result.

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