Recommendations with IBM

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In this notebook, you will be putting your recommendation skills to use on real data from the IBM Watson Studio platform.

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At the end of the notebook, you will find directions for how to submit your work. Let's get started by importing the necessary libraries and reading in the data.

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
  import numpy as np
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
  import project_tests as t
  import pickle

%matplotlib inline

df = pd.read_csv('data/user-item-interactions.csv')
  df_content = pd.read_csv('data/articles_community.csv')
  del df['Unnamed: 0']
  del df_content['Unnamed: 0']

# Show df to get an idea of the data
  df.head()
```

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     3 06485706b34a5c9bf2a0ecdac41daf7e7654ceb7
     4 f01220c46fc92c6e6b161b1849de11faacd7ccb2
[2]: print("user-item-interactions shape: ", df.shape)
     print("user-item-interactions unique emails", df.email.nunique())
     print("user-item-interactions unique articles", df.article_id.nunique())
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    user-item-interactions unique emails 5148
    user-item-interactions unique articles 714
[3]: # show users with null email
     df[df.email.isnull()]
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[4]: # Show df_content to get an idea of the data
     df content.head()
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 - 1 No Free Hunch Navigation * kaggle.com\r\n\r\n ...

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[5]: print("\narticles_community shape: ", df_content.shape)
     print("\narticles_community columns containing nulls:\n", df_content.isnull().
     print("\narticles_community doc status' possible values:\n",_

→df_content['doc_status'].value_counts())
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    doc_status
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    article_id
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    dtype: float64
    articles_community doc status' possible values:
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    Name: doc_status, dtype: int64
[6]: # show articles where the body or description is null
     df_content(df_content.doc_body.isnull() | df_content.doc_description.isnull()]
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276	Integrate dashDB with Excel	Live	276
354	Build the search index in Cloudant	Live	354
484	Convert IBM Puredata for Analytics to dashDB	Live	483
508	Use dashDB with IBM Embeddable Reporting Service	Live	507
540	Convert data from Oracle to dashDB	Live	539
	Load JSON from Cloudant database into dashDB	Live	
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667	Integrate dashDB and Informatica Cloud	Live	666
706	Use Aginity Workbench for IBM dashDB	Live	704
768	Announcing the Data Browser for JanusGraph	Live	765
842	Leverage dashDB in Cognos Business Intelligence	Live	839
876	Load data from the desktop into dashDB	Live	873
889	Perform market basket analysis using dashDB and R	Live	886
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919	Use the new Cloudant query	Live	916
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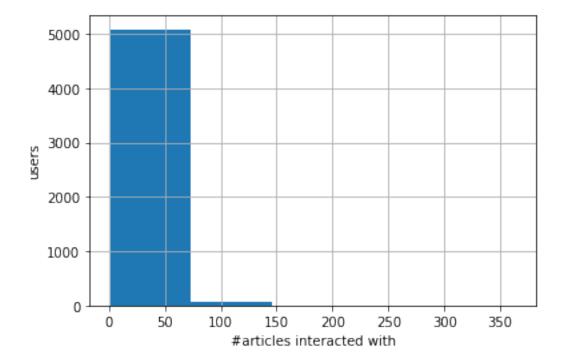
1.1.1 Part I: Exploratory Data Analysis

Use the dictionary and cells below to provide some insight into the descriptive statistics of the data.

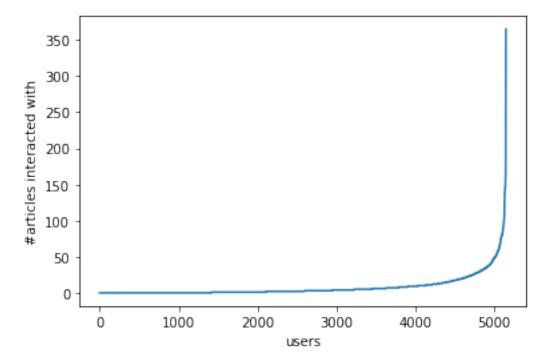
1. What is the distribution of how many articles a user interacts with in the dataset? Provide a visual and descriptive statistics to assist with giving a look at the number of times each user interacts with an article.

```
[7]: df.email.value_counts().hist(bins=5)
plt.xlabel("#articles interacted with")
plt.ylabel("users")
```

[7]: Text(0, 0.5, 'users')



plt.show()



```
[9]: print(article_by_email.describe())
print(article_by_email.median())
```

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            8.930847
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           16.802267
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            1.000000
50%
            3.000000
75%
            9.000000
          364.000000
Name: article_id, dtype: float64
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```
[10]: # Fill in the median and maximum number of user_article interactions below

median_val = article_by_email.median() # 50% of individuals interact with _3__

→number of articles or fewer.

max_views_by_user = article_by_email.max() # The maximum number of

→user-article interactions by any 1 user is _364_.
```

2. Explore and remove duplicate articles from the **df_content** dataframe.

```
[11]: # Find and explore duplicate articles
      print("number ofduplicated articles:", df_content.duplicated(['article_id']).
       \rightarrowsum())
      df content[df content.duplicated(['article id'])]
     number ofduplicated articles: 5
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[12]: # Remove any rows that have the same article_id - only keep the first
      df_content.drop_duplicates(subset='article_id', keep='first', inplace=True)
      print("number ofduplicated articles after dropping duplicates:", df_content.

duplicated(['article_id']).sum())

     number ofduplicated articles after dropping duplicates: 0
```

- 3. Use the cells below to find:
- a. The number of unique articles that have an interaction with a user.
- **b.** The number of unique articles in the dataset (whether they have any interactions or not). **c.** The number of unique users in the dataset. (excluding null values) **d.** The number of user-article interactions in the dataset.

```
[13]: print()
df[df.email.notnull()].email.nunique()
```

[13]: 5148

```
print("a. The number of unique articles that have an interaction with a user:

→",df.article_id.nunique())

print("b. The number of unique articles in the dataset (whether they have any

→interactions or not):", df_content.article_id.nunique())

print("c. The number of unique users in the dataset. (excluding null values):",

→df.email.nunique(dropna=True) )

print("d. The number of user-article interactions in the dataset:", df.shape[0])
```

- a. The number of unique articles that have an interaction with a user: 714
- b. The number of unique articles in the dataset (whether they have any interactions or not): 1051
- c. The number of unique users in the dataset. (excluding null values): 5148
- d. The number of user-article interactions in the dataset: 45993

```
[15]: unique_articles = df.article_id.nunique() # The number of unique articles that → have at least one interaction

total_articles = df_content.article_id.nunique() # The number of unique → articles on the IBM platform

unique_users = df.email.nunique(dropna=True) # The number of unique users

user_article_interactions = df.shape[0] # The number of user-article → interactions
```

4. Use the cells below to find the most viewed **article_id**, as well as how often it was viewed. After talking to the company leaders, the **email_mapper** function was deemed a reasonable way to map users to ids. There were a small number of null values, and it was found that all of these null values likely belonged to a single user (which is how they are stored using the function below).

```
[16]: most_viewed_article_id = str(df.article_id.value_counts(sort=True).index[0]) #_\_
\times The most viewed article in the dataset as a string with one value following_\_
\times the decimal

max_views = df.article_id.value_counts(sort=True).iloc[0] # The most viewed_\_
\times article in the dataset was viewed how many times?

print("most viewed article id", most_viewed_article_id)

print("most views article was viewed : ", max_views)
```

most viewed article id 1429.0 most views article was viewed : 937

```
[17]: ## No need to change the code here - this will be helpful for later parts of u

the notebook

# Run this cell to map the user email to a user_id column and remove the email ucolumn

def email_mapper():
    coded_dict = dict()
    cter = 1
    email_encoded = []
```

```
for val in df['email']:
              if val not in coded_dict:
                  coded_dict[val] = cter
                  cter+=1
              email_encoded.append(coded_dict[val])
          return email_encoded
      email_encoded = email_mapper()
      #del df['email']
      df['user_id'] = email_encoded
      # show header
      df.head()
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      3 06485706b34a5c9bf2a0ecdac41daf7e7654ceb7
      4 f01220c46fc92c6e6b161b1849de11faacd7ccb2
[18]: ## If you stored all your results in the variable names above,
      ## you shouldn't need to change anything in this cell
      sol_1_dict = {
          '`50% of individuals have ____ or fewer interactions.`': median_val,
          '`The total number of user-article interactions in the dataset is _____. `':

    user_article_interactions,

          '`The maximum number of user-article interactions by any 1 user is _____.
       →`': max_views_by_user,
          '`The most viewed article in the dataset was viewed ____ times.`':u
       →max_views,
          '`The article_id of the most viewed article is ____.`':u
       →most_viewed_article_id,
          '`The number of unique articles that have at least 1 rating ____.`':\sqcup
       →unique_articles,
          '`The number of unique users in the dataset is _____`': unique_users,
          '`The number of unique articles on the IBM platform`': total_articles
```

```
# Test your dictionary against the solution
t.sol_1_test(sol_1_dict)
```

It looks like you have everything right here! Nice job!

1.1.2 Part II: Rank-Based Recommendations

Unlike in the earlier lessons, we don't actually have ratings for whether a user liked an article or not. We only know that a user has interacted with an article. In these cases, the popularity of an article can really only be based on how often an article was interacted with.

1. Fill in the function below to return the n top articles ordered with most interactions as the top. Test your function using the tests below.

```
[19]: def get_top_articles(n, df=df):
          111
          INPUT:
          n - (int) the number of top articles to return
          df - (pandas dataframe) df as defined at the top of the notebook
          OUTPUT:
          top_articles - (list) A list of the top 'n' article titles
          top_articles = df.title.value_counts().head(n).index
          return list(top_articles) # Return the top article titles from df (not_
       \rightarrow df content)
      def get_top_article_ids(n, df=df):
          INPUT:
          n - (int) the number of top articles to return
          df - (pandas dataframe) df as defined at the top of the notebook
          OUTPUT:
          top_articles - (list) A list of the top 'n' article ids
          return list(df.article_id.value_counts(sort=True).head(n).index) # Return_
       → the top article ids
```

```
[20]: print(get_top_articles(10))
print(get_top_article_ids(10))
```

['use deep learning for image classification', 'insights from new york car accident reports', 'visualize car data with brunel', 'use xgboost, scikit-learn & ibm watson machine learning apis', 'predicting churn with the spss random tree algorithm', 'healthcare python streaming application demo', 'finding optimal

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locations of new store using decision optimization', 'apache spark lab, part 1: basic concepts', 'analyze energy consumption in buildings', 'gosales transactions for logistic regression model']
[1429.0, 1330.0, 1431.0, 1427.0, 1364.0, 1314.0, 1293.0, 1170.0, 1162.0, 1304.0]
```

```
[21]: # Test your function by returning the top 5, 10, and 20 articles
top_5 = get_top_articles(5)
top_10 = get_top_articles(10)
top_20 = get_top_articles(20)

# Test each of your three lists from above
t.sol_2_test(get_top_articles)
```

```
Your top_5 looks like the solution list! Nice job. Your top_10 looks like the solution list! Nice job. Your top_20 looks like the solution list! Nice job.
```

1.1.3 Part III: User-User Based Collaborative Filtering

- 1. Use the function below to reform at the \mathbf{df} dataframe to be shaped with users as the rows and articles as the columns.
 - \bullet Each ${\bf user}$ should only appear in each ${\bf row}$ once.
 - Each article should only show up in one column.
 - If a user has interacted with an article, then place a 1 where the user-row meets for that article-column. It does not matter how many times a user has interacted with the article, all entries where a user has interacted with an article should be a 1.
 - If a user has not interacted with an item, then place a zero where the user-row meets for that article-column.

Use the tests to make sure the basic structure of your matrix matches what is expected by the solution.

```
# Fill in the function here
          user_item = df.groupby(by=['user_id', 'article_id']).title.count().unstack()
          user_item = user_item.applymap(lambda v: 0 if v!=v else 1)
          return user_item # return the user_item matrix
      user_item = create_user_item_matrix(df)
      user_item.head()
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[5 rows x 714 columns]

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[23]: ## Tests: You should just need to run this cell. Don't change the code.

assert user_item.shape[0] == 5149, "Oops! The number of users in the

user-article matrix doesn't look right."

assert user_item.shape[1] == 714, "Oops! The number of articles in the

user-article matrix doesn't look right."

assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by

user 1 doesn't look right."

print("You have passed our quick tests! Please proceed!")
```

You have passed our quick tests! Please proceed!

2. Complete the function below which should take a user_id and provide an ordered list of the most similar users to that user (from most similar to least similar). The returned result should not contain the provided user_id, as we know that each user is similar to him/herself. Because

the results for each user here are binary, it (perhaps) makes sense to compute similarity as the dot product of two users.

Use the tests to test your function.

```
[24]: def find_similar_users(user_id, user_item=user_item):
          INPUT:
          user_id - (int) a user_id
          user item - (pandas dataframe) matrix of users by articles:
                       1's when a user has interacted with an article, 0 otherwise
          similar users - (list) an ordered list where the closest users (largest dot_{11}
       \hookrightarrow product users)
                           are listed first
          Description:
          Computes the similarity of every pair of users based on the dot product
          Returns an ordered
          # compute similarity of each user to the provided user
          number_of_same_viewed_articles = user_item.dot(user_item.loc[user_id])
          # sort by similarity
          number_of_same_viewed_articles.sort_values(ascending=False, inplace=True)
          # create list of just the ids
          sorted_ids = list(number_of_same_viewed_articles.index)
          # remove the own user's id
          sorted_ids.remove(user_id)
          return sorted_ids # return a list of the users in order from most to least_
       \rightarrowsimilar
      print("The 10 most similar users to user 1 are: {}".
```

```
The 10 most similar users to user 1 are: [3933, 23, 3782, 203, 4459, 131, 3870, 46, 4201, 5041]
The 5 most similar users to user 3933 are: [1, 23, 3782, 4459, 203]
The 3 most similar users to user 46 are: [4201, 23, 3782]
```

3. Now that you have a function that provides the most similar users to each user, you will want to use these users to find articles you can recommend. Complete the functions below to return the articles you would recommend to each user.

```
[26]: def get_article_names(article_ids, df=df):
          111
          INPUT:
           article_ids - (list) a list of article ids
           df - (pandas dataframe) df as defined at the top of the notebook
          OUTPUT:
          article\_names - (list) a list of article names associated with the list of \Box
       \rightarrow article ids
                            (this is identified by the title column)
           111
          article_names = [df[df.article_id.isin([article_id])].title.iloc[0] for_u
       →article_id in article_ids]
          return article_names # Return the article names associated with list of_
       \rightarrow article ids
      def get_user_articles(user_id, user_item=user_item):
          INPUT:
          user_id - (int) a user id
          user_item - (pandas dataframe) matrix of users by articles:
                       1's when a user has interacted with an article, O otherwise
          OUTPUT:
          article_ids - (list) a list of the article ids seen by the user
          article names - (list) a list of article names associated with the list of |
       \rightarrow article ids
                            (this is identified by the doc_full_name column in_
       \hookrightarrow df_content)
          Description:
          Provides a list of the article_ids and article titles that have been seen \Box
       \hookrightarrow by a user
          111
          marked_article_ids = user_item.loc[user_id]
          article_ids = marked_article_ids[marked_article_ids == 1].index.astype(str).
       →to list()
          return article_ids, get_article_names(article_ids) # return the ids and_
       \rightarrownames
      def user_user_recs(user_id, m=10):
          111
          INPUT:
```

```
user_id - (int) a user id
          m - (int) the number of recommendations you want for the user
          OUTPUT:
          recs - (list) a list of recommendations for the user
          Description:
          Loops through the users based on closeness to the input user_id
          For each user - finds articles the user hasn't seen before and provides \sqcup
       \hookrightarrow them as recs
          Does this until m recommendations are found
          Notes:
          Users who are the same closeness are chosen arbitrarily as the 'next' user
          For the user where the number of recommended articles starts below m
          and ends exceeding m, the last items are chosen arbitrarily
          111
          user_article_ids = set(get_user_articles(user_id)[0])
          recs = []
          for similar_user_id in find_similar_users(user_id):
              similar_article_ids = set(get_user_articles(similar_user_id)[0])
              recs.extend(similar_article_ids-user_article_ids)
              if len(recs) > m:
                  break:
          return recs[:m] # return your recommendations for this user_id
[27]: # Check Results
      get_article_names(user_user_recs(1, 10)) # Return 10 recommendations for user 1
[27]: ['aspiring data scientists! start to learn statistics with these 6 books!',
       'pixiedust 1.0 is here! - ibm watson data lab',
       'programmatic evaluation using watson conversation',
       502
               forgetting the past to learn the future: long ...\nName: title, dtype:
      object',
       'use decision optimization to schedule league games',
       'the unit commitment problem',
       'deep forest: towards an alternative to deep neural networks',
       'awesome deep learning papers',
       'got zip code data? prep it for analytics. - ibm watson data lab - medium',
       'insights from new york car accident reports']
[28]: # Test your functions here - No need to change this code - just run this cell
```

```
assert set(get_article_names(['1024.0', '1176.0', '1305.0', '1314.0', '1422.0', __
 _{\rightarrow}'1427.0'])) == set(['using deep learning to reconstruct high-resolution<sub>||</sub>
 →audio', 'build a python app on the streaming analytics service', 'gosales_
 \hookrightarrowtransactions for naive bayes model', 'healthcare python streaming\sqcup
 \hookrightarrowapplication demo', 'use r dataframes & ibm watson natural language\sqcup
 →understanding', 'use xgboost, scikit-learn & ibm watson machine learning 
 →apis']), "Oops! Your the get_article_names function doesn't work quite how_
 \hookrightarrowwe expect."
assert set(get_article_names(['1320.0', '232.0', '844.0'])) == set(['housing_
 \hookrightarrow (2015): united states demographic measures', 'self-service data preparation<sub>\sqcup</sub>
 ⇒with ibm data refinery', 'use the cloudant-spark connector in python ⊔
 →notebook']), "Oops! Your the get_article_names function doesn't work quite_
 \hookrightarrowhow we expect."
assert set(get_user_articles(20)[0]) == set(['1320.0', '232.0', '844.0'])
assert set(get_user_articles(20)[1]) == set(['housing (2015): united states_u
→demographic measures', 'self-service data preparation with ibm data_
→refinery', 'use the cloudant-spark connector in python notebook'])
assert set(get_user_articles(2)[0]) == set(['1024.0', '1176.0', '1305.0', '1314.
\leftrightarrow 0', '1422.0', '1427.0'])
assert set(get user articles(2)[1]) == set(['using deep learning to reconstruct_1

→high-resolution audio', 'build a python app on the streaming analytics

□

 ⇒service', 'gosales transactions for naive bayes model', 'healthcare python⊔
 ⇒streaming application demo', 'use r dataframes & ibm watson natural language U
 \hookrightarrowunderstanding', 'use xgboost, scikit-learn & ibm watson machine learning\sqcup
 →apis'])
print("If this is all you see, you passed all of our tests! Nice job!")
```

If this is all you see, you passed all of our tests! Nice job!

- 4. Now we are going to improve the consistency of the **user_user_recs** function from above.
 - Instead of arbitrarily choosing when we obtain users who are all the same closeness to a given user choose the users that have the most total article interactions before choosing those with fewer article interactions.
 - Instead of arbitrarily choosing articles from the user where the number of recommended articles starts below m and ends exceeding m, choose articles with the articles with the most total interactions before choosing those with fewer total interactions. This ranking should be what would be obtained from the **top_articles** function you wrote earlier.

```
[29]: def get_top_sorted_users(user_id, df=df, user_item=user_item):

INPUT:

user_id - (int)

df - (pandas dataframe) df as defined at the top of the notebook

user_item - (pandas dataframe) matrix of users by articles:

1's when a user has interacted with an article, 0 otherwise
```

```
OUTPUT:
    neighbors_df - (pandas dataframe) a dataframe with:
                     neighbor_id - is a neighbor user_id
                     similarity - measure of the similarity of each user to the ⊔
 \hookrightarrow provided user_id
                    num_interactions - the number of articles viewed by the__
\hookrightarrow user - if a u
    Other Details - sort the neighbors of by the similarity and then by number
\hookrightarrow of interactions where
                    highest of each is higher in the dataframe
    111
    number_of same_viewed_articles = user_item.dot(user_item.loc[user_id])
    similarity = number_of_same_viewed_articles.sort_values(ascending=False).
→drop(user_id).to_frame(name='similarity')
    num_interactions = df.groupby(by=['user_id']).article_id.count().

¬drop(user_id).to_frame(name='num_interactions')
    neighbors_df = similarity.merge(num_interactions, left_on='user_id',__
 →right_on='user_id')
    #neighbors df.reset index(level=0, inplace=True)
    neighbors_df.sort_values(by=['similarity', 'num_interactions'],__
→ascending=False, inplace=True)
    neighbors_df['neighbor_id'] = neighbors_df.index
    return neighbors_df[['neighbor_id', 'similarity', 'num_interactions']] #__
→Return the dataframe specified in the doc_string
def user_user_recs_part2(user_id, m=10):
    INPUT:
    user_id - (int) a user id
    m - (int) the number of recommendations you want for the user
    OUTPUT:
    recs - (list) a list of recommendations for the user by article id
    rec_names - (list) a list of recommendations for the user by article title
    Description:
    Loops through the users based on closeness to the input user_id
    For each user - finds articles the user hasn't seen before and provides \sqcup
\hookrightarrow them as recs
    Does this until m recommendations are found
    Notes:
```

```
* Choose the users that have the most total article interactions
          before choosing those with fewer article interactions.
          * Choose articles with the articles with the most total interactions
          before choosing those with fewer total interactions.
          111
          user_article_ids = set(get_user_articles(user_id)[0])
          neighbors df = get top sorted users(user id)
          recs = []
          for similar user id in neighbors df['neighbor id'].values:
              similar_article_ids = set(get_user_articles(similar_user_id)[0])
              recs.extend(similar_article_ids-user_article_ids)
              if len(recs) > m:
                  break;
          rec_names = get_article_names(recs)
          return recs, rec_names
[30]: neighbors_df = get_top_sorted_users(1)
      neighbors_df.head()
[30]:
               neighbor_id similarity num_interactions
     user_id
      3933
                      3933
                                    35
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      23
                        23
                                    17
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      3782
                      3782
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      203
                       203
                                    15
                                                     160
      4459
                      4459
                                    15
                                                     158
[31]: # Quick spot check - don't change this code - just use it to test your functions
      rec_ids, rec_names = user_user_recs_part2(20, 10)
      print("The top 10 recommendations for user 20 are the following article ids:")
      print(rec ids)
      print()
      print("The top 10 recommendations for user 20 are the following article names:")
      print(rec_names)
     The top 10 recommendations for user 20 are the following article ids:
     ['939.0', '1351.0', '1367.0', '1296.0', '164.0', '981.0', '1154.0', '1163.0',
     '1331.0', '1409.0', '1354.0', '1153.0', '1330.0', '1024.0', '1411.0', '1368.0',
     '1335.0', '880.0', '1364.0', '1338.0', '1324.0', '1391.0', '761.0', '1396.0',
     '1336.0', '302.0', '1276.0', '336.0', '1152.0', '1433.0', '1420.0', '1329.0',
     '142.0', '555.0', '686.0', '1085.0', '1150.0', '1360.0', '730.0', '1278.0',
     '465.0', '1410.0', '681.0', '1151.0', '1346.0', '1427.0', '1304.0', '911.0',
     '1424.0', '12.0', '793.0', '1160.0', '1170.0', '1157.0', '1172.0', '1166.0',
     '1407.0', '109.0', '1386.0', '1426.0', '1357.0', '1176.0', '362.0', '1162.0',
     '651.0', '125.0', '205.0', '1444.0', '1356.0']
```

The top 10 recommendations for user 20 are the following article names: ['deep learning from scratch i: computational graphs', 'model bike sharing data with spss', 'programmatic evaluation using watson conversation', 'fortune 100 companies', 'learn tensorflow and deep learning together and now!', 'super fast string matching in python', 'airbnb data for analytics: vienna listings', 'analyze open data sets with spark & pixiedust', 'intentional homicide, number and rate per 100,000 population, by country', 'uci: red wine quality', 'movie recommender system with spark machine learning', 'airbnb data for analytics: vienna calendar', 'insights from new york car accident reports', 'using deep learning to reconstruct high-resolution audio', 'uci: white wine quality', 'putting a human face on machine learning', 'labor', 'probabilistic graphical models tutorial\u200a-\u200apart 1 - stats and bots', 'predicting churn with the spss random tree algorithm', 'ml optimization using cognitive assistant', 'ibm watson facebook posts for 2015', 'sudoku', 'variational auto-encoder for "frey faces" using keras', 'times world university ranking analysis', 'learn basics about notebooks and apache spark', 'accelerate your workflow with dsx', 'deploy your python model as a restful api', 'challenges in deep learning', 'airbnb data for analytics: venice reviews', 'visualize the 1854 london cholera outbreak', 'use apache systemml and spark for machine learning', 'ingest data from message hub in a streams flow', 'neural networks for beginners: popular types and applications', 'build a naive-bayes model with wml & dsx', 'score a predictive model built with ibm spss modeler, wml & dsx', 'airbnb data for analytics: chicago listings', 'airbnb data for analytics: venice calendar', 'pixieapp for outlier detection', 'developing for the ibm streaming analytics service', 'develop a scala spark model on chicago building violations', 'introduction to neural networks, advantages and applications', 'uci: sms spam collection', 'real-time sentiment analysis of twitter hashtags with spark (+ pixiedust)', 'airbnb data for analytics: venice listings', 'military expenditure as % of gdp by country', 'use xgboost, scikit-learn & ibm watson machine learning apis', 'gosales transactions for logistic regression model', 'using machine learning to predict baseball injuries', 'use spark for python to load data and run sql queries', 'timeseries data analysis of iot events by using jupyter notebook', '10 powerful features on watson data platform, no coding necessary', 'analyze accident reports on amazon emr spark', 'apache spark lab, part 1: basic concepts', 'airbnb data for analytics: washington d.c. listings', 'apache spark lab, part 3: machine learning', 'analyzing data by using the sparkling.data library features', 'uci: poker hand - testing data set', 'tensorflow quick tips', 'small steps to tensorflow', 'use spark for scala to load data and run sql queries', 'overlapping co-cluster recommendation algorithm (ocular)', 'build a python app on the streaming analytics service', 'dsx: hybrid mode', 'analyze energy consumption in buildings', 'analyzing streaming data from kafka topics', 'statistics for hackers', "a beginner's guide to variational methods", 'worldwide fuel oil consumption by household (in 1000 metric tons)', 'occupation (2015): united states demographic measures']

5. Use your functions from above to correctly fill in the solutions to the dictionary below. Then test your dictionary against the solution. Provide the code you need to answer each following the

comments below.

```
[32]: ### Tests with a dictionary of results

user1_most_sim = get_top_sorted_users(1).head(1).neighbor_id.iloc[0] # Find the_

user that is most similar to user 1

user131_10th_sim = get_top_sorted_users(131).iloc[9].neighbor_id # Find the_

user10th most similar user to user 131
```

```
[33]: ## Dictionary Test Here
sol_5_dict = {
    'The user that is most similar to user 1.': user1_most_sim,
    'The user that is the 10th most similar to user 131': user131_10th_sim,
}
t.sol_5_test(sol_5_dict)
```

This all looks good! Nice job!

6. If we were given a new user, which of the above functions would you be able to use to make recommendations? Explain. Can you think of a better way we might make recommendations?

Answer: A new user introduces the cold start problem where we have no historic data. In this case we can't use the collaborative filtering approach and find similar users, but we can "fall back" to the rank-based approach and just present the user the articles users have interacted with most. The get_top_articles function from above is a good candidate.

7. Using your existing functions, provide the top 10 recommended articles you would provide for the a new user below. You can test your function against our thoughts to make sure we are all on the same page with how we might make a recommendation.

```
[34]: new_user = '0.0'

# What would your recommendations be for this new user '0.0'? As a new user, □

→ they have no observed articles.

# Provide a list of the top 10 article ids you would give to

new_user_recs = list(map(str,get_top_article_ids(10)))
```

```
[35]: assert set(new_user_recs) == set(['1314.0','1429.0','1293.0','1427.0','1162.

→0','1364.0','1304.0','1170.0','1431.0','1330.0']), "Oops! It makes sense

→that in this case we would want to recommend the most popular articles,

→because we don't know anything about these users."

print("That's right! Nice job!")
```

That's right! Nice job!

1.1.4 Part IV: Content Based Recommendations (EXTRA - NOT REQUIRED)

Another method we might use to make recommendations is to perform a ranking of the highest ranked articles associated with some term. You might consider content to be the **doc_body**, **doc_description**, or **doc_full_name**. There isn't one way to create a content based recommendation, especially considering that each of these columns hold content related information.

- 1. Use the function body below to create a content based recommender. Since there isn't one right answer for this recommendation tactic, no test functions are provided. Feel free to change the function inputs if you decide you want to try a method that requires more input values. The input values are currently set with one idea in mind that you may use to make content based recommendations. One additional idea is that you might want to choose the most popular recommendations that meet your 'content criteria', but again, there is a lot of flexibility in how you might make these recommendations.
- 1.1.5 This part is NOT REQUIRED to pass this project. However, you may choose to take this on as an extra way to show off your skills.

- 2. Now that you have put together your content-based recommendation system, use the cell below to write a summary explaining how your content based recommender works. Do you see any possible improvements that could be made to your function? Is there anything novel about your content based recommender?
- 1.1.6 This part is NOT REQUIRED to pass this project. However, you may choose to take this on as an extra way to show off your skills.

Write an explanation of your content based recommendation system here.

- 3. Use your content-recommendation system to make recommendations for the below scenarios based on the comments. Again no tests are provided here, because there isn't one right answer that could be used to find these content based recommendations.
- 1.1.7 This part is NOT REQUIRED to pass this project. However, you may choose to take this on as an extra way to show off your skills.

```
[37]: # make recommendations for a brand new user

# make a recommendations for a user who only has interacted with article id

→'1427.0'
```

1.1.8 Part V: Matrix Factorization

In this part of the notebook, you will build use matrix factorization to make article recommendations to the users on the IBM Watson Studio platform.

1. You should have already created a **user_item** matrix above in **question 1** of **Part III** above. This first question here will just require that you run the cells to get things set up for the rest of **Part V** of the notebook.

```
[38]: # Load the matrix here
      user_item_matrix = pd.read_pickle('user_item_matrix.p')
[39]: # quick look at the matrix
      user_item_matrix.head()
[39]: article_id 0.0
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```

[5 rows x 714 columns]

2. In this situation, you can use Singular Value Decomposition from numpy on the user-item matrix. Use the cell to perform SVD, and explain why this is different than in the lesson.

```
[40]: # Perform SVD on the User-Item Matrix Here

u, s, vt = np.linalg.svd(user_item_matrix)
u.shape, s.shape, vt.shape
```

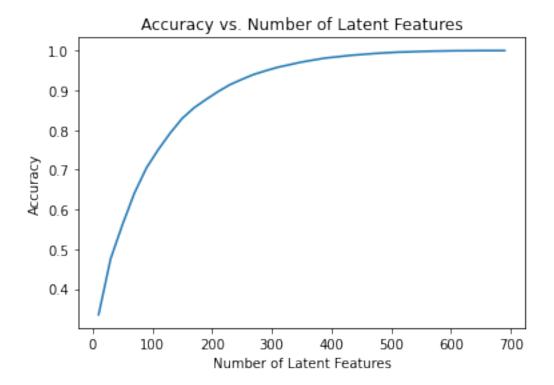
```
[40]: ((5149, 5149), (714,), (714, 714))
```

Answer: In the lessons the matrix values had a different coding scheme. They were actual rating numbers. A zero might have been a valid rating and missing ratings were encoded with NaN-values. In this case we could not even use SVD, because of the missing values and converting NaN to zero might lead to false conclusions.

Here, the values are either one or zero (True/False) and tell us if a user as interacted with an item or not. So we do not have to impute missing values, because there are no missing values and can directly use SVD.

3. Now for the tricky part, how do we choose the number of latent features to use? Running the below cell, you can see that as the number of latent features increases, we obtain a lower error rate on making predictions for the 1 and 0 values in the user-item matrix. Run the cell below to get an idea of how the accuracy improves as we increase the number of latent features.

```
[41]: num_latent_feats = np.arange(10,700+10,20)
      sum_errs = []
      for k in num_latent_feats:
          # restructure with k latent features
          s_new, u_new, vt_new = np.diag(s[:k]), u[:, :k], vt[:k, :]
          # take dot product
          user item est = np.around(np.dot(np.dot(u new, s new), vt new))
          # compute error for each prediction to actual value
          diffs = np.subtract(user item matrix, user item est)
          # total errors and keep track of them
          err = np.sum(np.sum(np.abs(diffs)))
          sum_errs.append(err)
      plt.plot(num_latent_feats, 1 - np.array(sum_errs)/df.shape[0]);
      plt.xlabel('Number of Latent Features');
      plt.ylabel('Accuracy');
      plt.title('Accuracy vs. Number of Latent Features');
```



4. From the above, we can't really be sure how many features to use, because simply having a better way to predict the 1's and 0's of the matrix doesn't exactly give us an indication of if we are able to make good recommendations. Instead, we might split our dataset into a training and test set of data, as shown in the cell below.

Use the code from question 3 to understand the impact on accuracy of the training and test sets of data with different numbers of latent features. Using the split below:

- How many users can we make predictions for in the test set?
- How many users are we not able to make predictions for because of the cold start problem?
- How many articles can we make predictions for in the test set?
- How many articles are we not able to make predictions for because of the cold start problem?

```
user_item_train - a user-item matrix of the training dataframe
                       (unique users for each row and unique articles for each_
 \hookrightarrow column)
    user_item_test - a user-item matrix of the testing dataframe
                     (unique users for each row and unique articles for each_
\hookrightarrow column)
    test\_idx - all of the test user ids
    test_arts - all of the test article ids
    111
    user_item_train = create_user_item_matrix(df_train)
    user_item_test = create_user_item_matrix(df_test)
    test_idx = set(user_item_test.index.to_list())
    test_arts = set(user_item_test.columns.to_list())
    return user_item_train, user_item_test, test_idx, test_arts
user_item_train, user_item_test, test_idx, test_arts =__
 →create_test_and_train_user_item(df_train, df_test)
```

```
[43]: # How many users can we make predictions for in the test set?
      \# => predictions can only be made for the number of unique testing users who
      →are also part of the training set
      train_idx = set(user_item_train.index.to_list())
      predictable_user_idx = test_idx.intersection(train_idx)
      num_predictable_users = len(predictable_user_idx)
      print("num_predictable_users", num_predictable_users)
      # How many users in the test set are we not able to make predictions for
      →because of the cold start problem?
      # => total number of test users minus the users for which we can make |
      \rightarrowpredictions
      num_cold_start_users = len(test_idx) - num_predictable_users
      print("num_cold_start_users", num_cold_start_users)
      # How many (_movies_??) articles can we make predictions for in the test set?
      # analogous to the number of user questions...
      train arts = set(user item test.columns.to list())
      predictable_articles_idx = test_arts.intersection(train_arts)
      num predictable articles = len(predictable articles idx)
      print("num_predictable_articles", num_predictable_articles)
      num_cold_start_articles = len(test_arts) - num_predictable_articles
      print("num_cold_start_articles", num_cold_start_articles)
```

num_predictable_users 20
num_cold_start_users 662

num_predictable_articles 574
num_cold_start_articles 0

```
[44]: # Replace the values in the dictionary below
a = 662
b = 574
c = 20
d = 0

sol_4_dict = {
    'How many users can we make predictions for in the test set?': c,
    'How many users in the test set are we not able to make predictions for user of the cold start problem?': a,
    'How many movies can we make predictions for in the test set?': b,
    'How many movies in the test set are we not able to make predictions for user of the cold start problem?': d
}
t.sol_4_test(sol_4_dict)
```

Awesome job! That's right! All of the test movies are in the training data, but there are only 20 test users that were also in the training set. All of the other users that are in the test set we have no data on. Therefore, we cannot make predictions for these users using SVD.

5. Now use the **user_item_train** dataset from above to find U, S, and V transpose using SVD. Then find the subset of rows in the **user_item_test** dataset that you can predict using this matrix decomposition with different numbers of latent features to see how many features makes sense to keep based on the accuracy on the test data. This will require combining what was done in questions 2 - 4.

Use the cells below to explore how well SVD works towards making predictions for recommendations on the test data.

```
[45]: # fit SVD on the user_item_train matrix
u_train, s_train, vt_train = np.linalg.svd(user_item_train)
```

```
[46]: # Use these cells to see how well you can use the training
# decomposition to predict on test data

# Earlier we've calculated the indices of users and articles that are included

in the training and test dataset

# and stored them in the set variables predictable_user_idx and

predictable_articles_idx

# Once we have performed the single value decomposition we have the same number

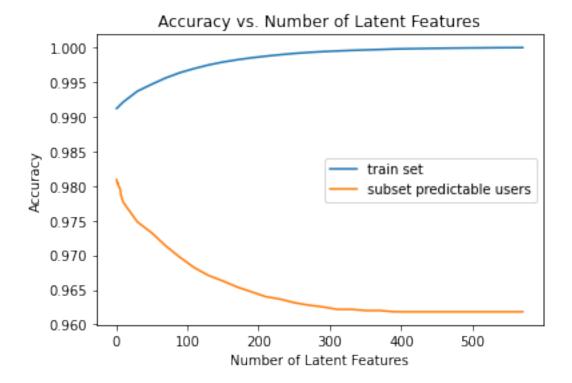
of rows in u_train as we have
```

```
# users in user_item train and we have the same number columns in v train as well
→ have articles in user_item_train
# The predictable_*_idx sets contain the real IDs not the index position within_
\rightarrow the datasets.
# But np.linals.svd only returns a matrix, not a pandas dataframe. So we need
\hookrightarrow to convert the IDs to index positions:
## index.isin returns an arrray of True, False where the datasets contains the
\hookrightarrow ID and np.where returns
## the index position. np.where return values for 2 input arrays, so we select \Box
\rightarrow only the first with [0]
train_predictable_users_index_position = np.where(user_item_train.index.
→isin(predictable_user_idx))[0]
train_predictable_articles_index_position = np.where(user_item_train.columns.
→isin(predictable_articles_idx))[0]
# to measure our prediction from the train set we need just the subset of \Box
→predictable users in the test set:
user_item_test_predictable_users = user_item_test.loc[predictable_user_idx,:]
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[47]: num_latent_feats = list(range(1,9))
      num_latent_feats.extend(np.arange(10,num_predictable_articles,20))
      sum_errs_train = []
      sum_errs_predictable_users = []
      for k in num_latent_feats:
          # reconstructure of decomposed train matrices with only k latent features
          s_k, u_k, vt_k = np.diag(s_train[:k]), u_train[:, :k], vt_train[:k, :]
          # from the decomposed matrices we also only take the rows and columns which
       \hookrightarrow corresponds
          # to the index position of predictable users and articles calculated earlier
          u_k_p, vt_k_p = u_k[train_predictable_users_index_position,:], vt_k[:
       →,train_predictable_articles_index_position]
          # take dot product to estimate/predict the train matrix with less latent \Box
       \rightarrow features
          user_item_train_est = np.around(np.dot(np.dot(u_k, s_k), vt_k))
          # take dot product to estimate/predict the train matrix with less latent \Box
       → features and only the predictable
          # users and articles between train and test data
          user_item_train_est_predictable_users_and_articles = np.around(np.dot(np.
       \rightarrowdot(u_k_p, s_k), vt_k_p))
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# compute error between original train set and sud composition with just \Box
\hookrightarrow k-latent features
    diffs_train = np.subtract(user_item_train, user_item_train_est)
    # compute error between the subset of predicatable users of the sud_
\rightarrow composition and user_item_test
    diffs_predictable_users = np.subtract(user_item_test_predictable_users,__
→user_item_train_est_predictable_users_and_articles)
    # total errors
    sum_errs_train.append(np.sum(np.sum(diffs_train)))
    sum_errs_predictable_users.append(np.sum(np.sum(np.
→abs(diffs_predictable_users))))
plt.plot(num_latent_feats,
         1 - np.array(sum_errs_train)/(user_item_train.shape[0]*user_item_train.
\hookrightarrowshape[1]),
         label="train set")
plt.plot(num_latent_feats,
         1 - np.array(sum_errs_predictable_users)/
→ (user_item_test_predictable_users.shape[0]*user_item_test_predictable_users.
\hookrightarrowshape[1]),
         label='subset predictable users');
plt.xlabel('Number of Latent Features');
plt.ylabel('Accuracy');
plt.legend()
plt.title('Accuracy vs. Number of Latent Features');
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6. Use the cell below to comment on the results you found in the previous question. Given the circumstances of your results, discuss what you might do to determine if the recommendations you make with any of the above recommendation systems are an improvement to how users currently find articles?

Answer: The more latent features you include the closer you reconstruct the original matrix. So it is clear that the accuracy increases for the reconstruction of the decomposed training matrices with more features. But even for a very few latent features it is already quite accurate. This is due to the fact that the matrix contains far more zeros than ones, so the error will always be very low.

The current subset of users for which we can test our prediction after splitting the data into train and test data is just 0.39%. If we compute the error between the predicted articles of those users, the accuracy even decreases with more latent features. The fact that the sample size we can predict is very low and the unbalanced distribution of values in our data set (zeroes and ones) lead to underfitting. The assumption that less latent features decrease the accuracy is misleading.

With the current data set we cannot mathematically determine if e.g. matrix factorization leads to a more accurate prediction model. So in practice we would use multiple methods and present them to different user groups. Based on other metrics that somehow measure the satisfaction of the user we could conclude which prediction method is more successful.

Extras Using your workbook, you could now save your recommendations for each user, develop a class to make new predictions and update your results, and make a flask app to deploy your results. These tasks are beyond what is required for this project. However, from what you learned in the lessons, you certainly capable of taking these tasks on to improve upon your work here!

1.2 Conclusion

Congratulations! You have reached the end of the Recommendations with IBM project!

Tip: Once you are satisfied with your work here, check over your report to make sure that it is satisfies all the areas of the rubric. You should also probably remove all of the "Tips" like this one so that the presentation is as polished as possible.

1.3 Directions to Submit

Before you submit your project, you need to create a .html or .pdf version of this notebook in the workspace here. To do that, run the code cell below. If it worked correctly, you should get a return code of 0, and you should see the generated .html file in the workspace directory (click on the orange Jupyter icon in the upper left).

Alternatively, you can download this report as .html via the **File** > **Download as** submenu, and then manually upload it into the workspace directory by clicking on the orange Jupyter icon in the upper left, then using the Upload button.

Once you've done this, you can submit your project by clicking on the "Submit Project" button in the lower right here. This will create and submit a zip file with this .ipynb doc and the .html or .pdf version you created. Congratulations!

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[]: from subprocess import call call(['python', '-m', 'nbconvert', 'Recommendations_with_IBM.ipynb'])
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