

Finding Patterns in the Stream:
A Machine Learning Analysis of Netflix Movie Data

## **AGENDA**









**VALUE** 

DATASETS USED

ANALYTICAL QUESTIONS

**FUTURE WORK** 

## Netflix Management wants to increase...



**Customer** satisfaction



Quality



**Customer retention** 

## Netflix Management wants to know!





Is the Netflix movie plot description sufficient for us to know the **topic** of the movie?



What is the <u>IMDb rating</u> for a Netflix movie, given its information and rating from Netflix?

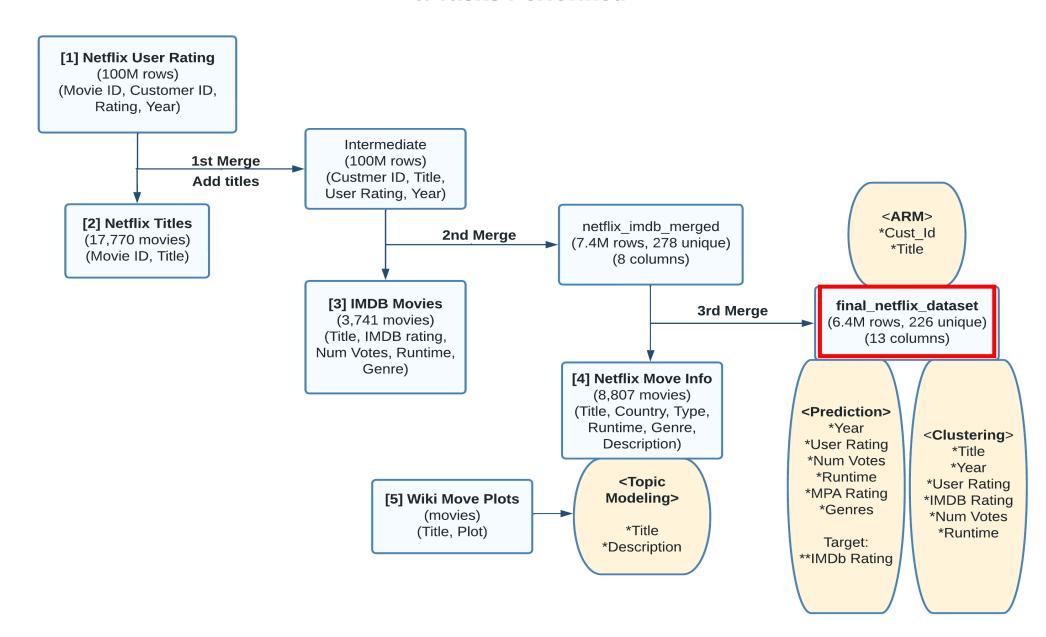


What are the <u>features</u> of the movies which receive the highest and lowest ratings from our customers?



What movies do users **frequently watch together**?

## Netflix Data Merging Process & Tasks Performed



# Q1. Is the Netflix movie description sufficient for us to know the topic of the movie?

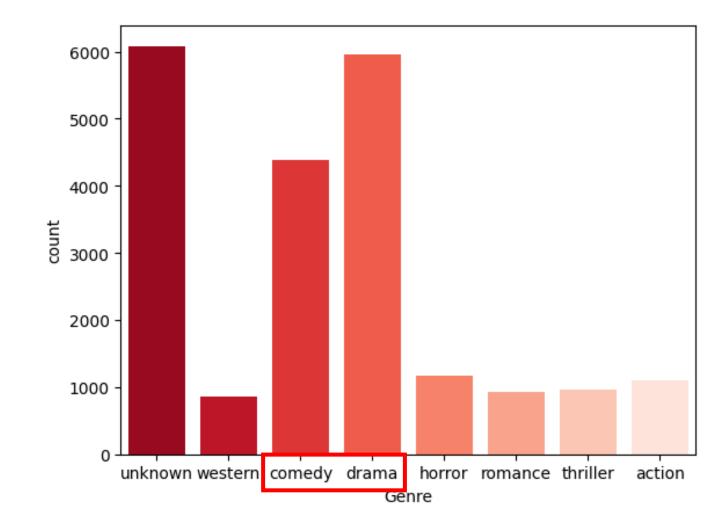
No, Netflix description was too short (insufficient data)

As her father nears the end of his life, filmmaker Kirsten
Johnson stages his death in inventive and comical ways to help
them both face the inevitable.

Maybe... Wikipedia plot description?

# Q1. Is the Netflix movie description sufficient for us to know the topic of the movie?

Countplot of genres



### Methods

## Text Pre-Processing

- Stop Words
- Bigrams
- Lemmatization

### Modeling

- LDA
- LSA
- NMF

### **Tuning**

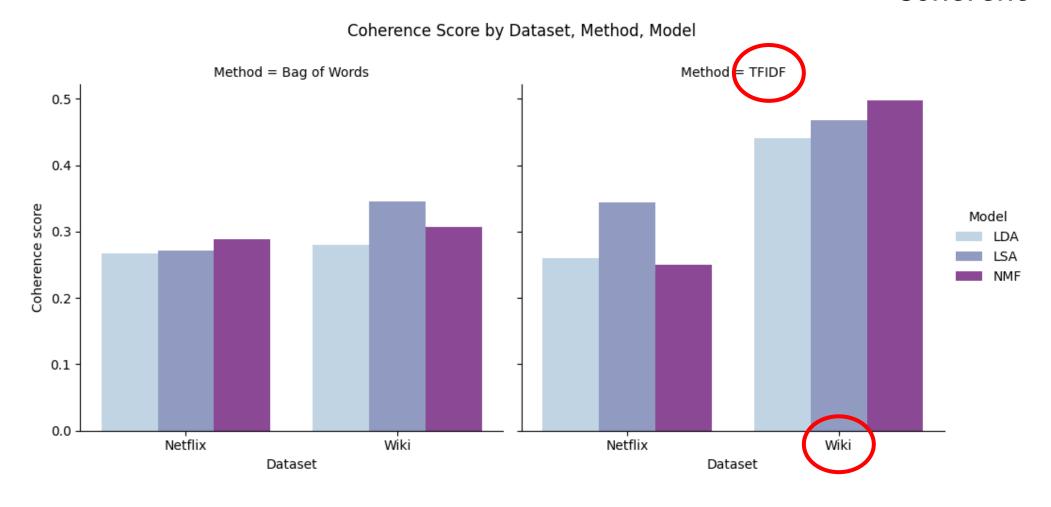
• # of topics

### **Evaluation**

Coherence score

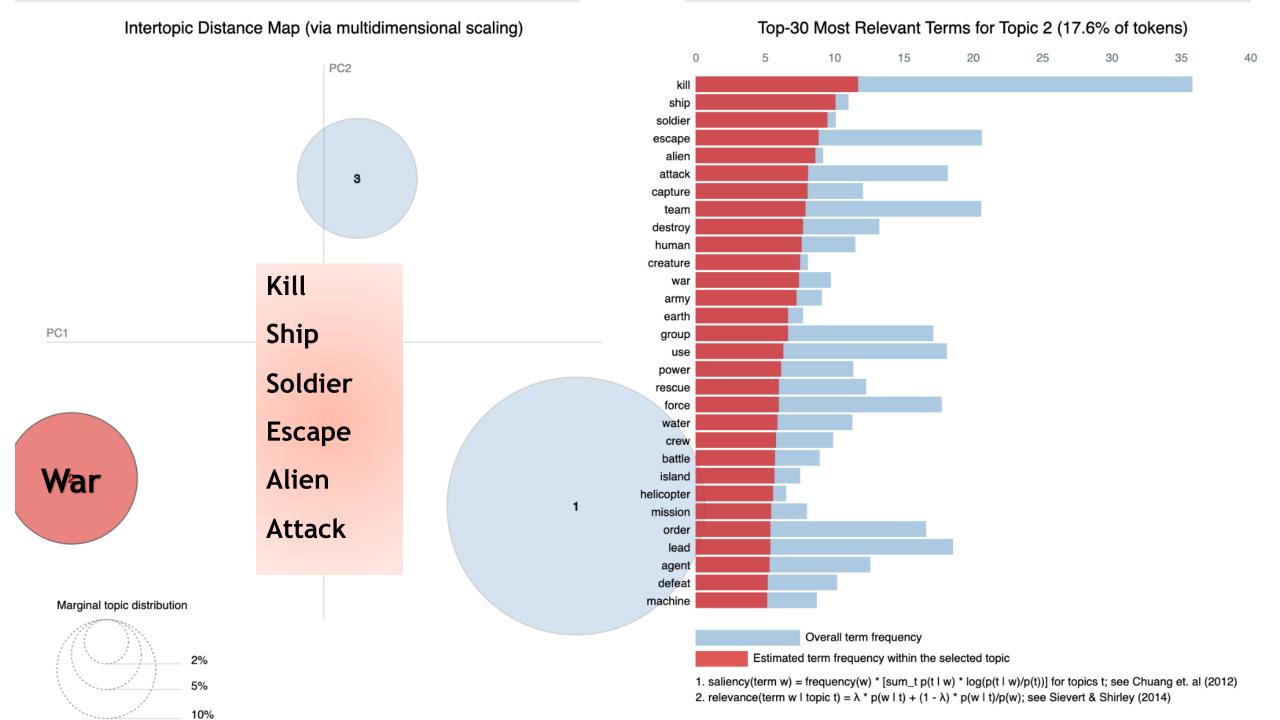
### Model Evaluation

- -Interpretable
- -Coherent



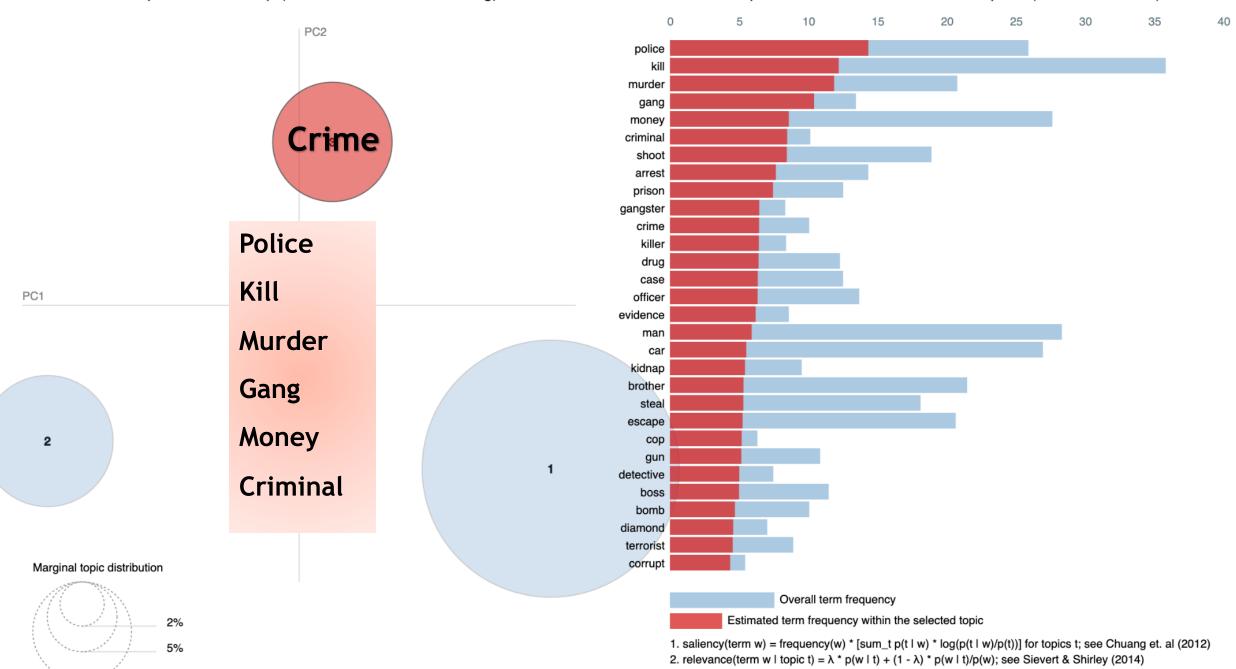
10%

2. relevance(term w | topic t) =  $\lambda * p(w | t) + (1 - \lambda) * p(w | t)/p(w)$ ; see Sievert & Shirley (2014)



#### Intertopic Distance Map (via multidimensional scaling)

10%



Top-30 Most Relevant Terms for Topic 3 (14.6% of tokens)

# Q2. What is the **IMDb rating** for a Netflix movie, given its information and rating from Netflix?

Target Variable: IMDb Rating

### **Guiding Algorithm**

- Exploratory Analysis
- Feature Engineering
- One-Hot & Ordinal Encoding
- Scaling
- Splitting
- Modeling
- Model Evaluation

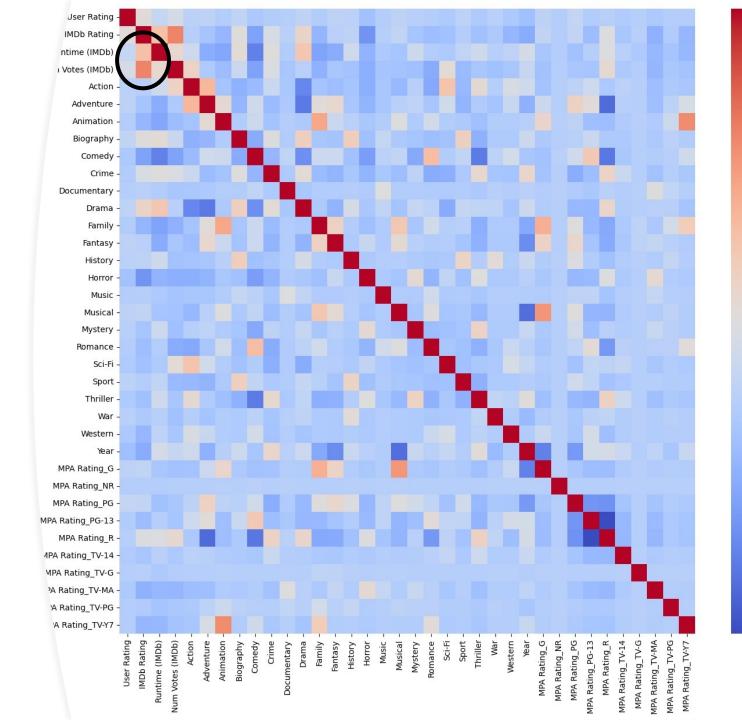
### Feature Engineering



High correlations

- -Number of Votes
- -Runtime





## Results from Predictive Modeling

• Baseline - mean of training data (RMSE 0.923)

Model	RMSE
Decision Tree Regressor	$1.004 * e^{-11}$
Random Forest Regressor	$3.77 * e^{-12}$
Gradient Boosting Regressor	0.183
XGBoost Regressor	0.001

## Hyperparameter Tuning

### GridSearchCV (Parameters Used)

- Number of Estimators
- Minimum Samples Leaf
- Maximum Leaf Nodes

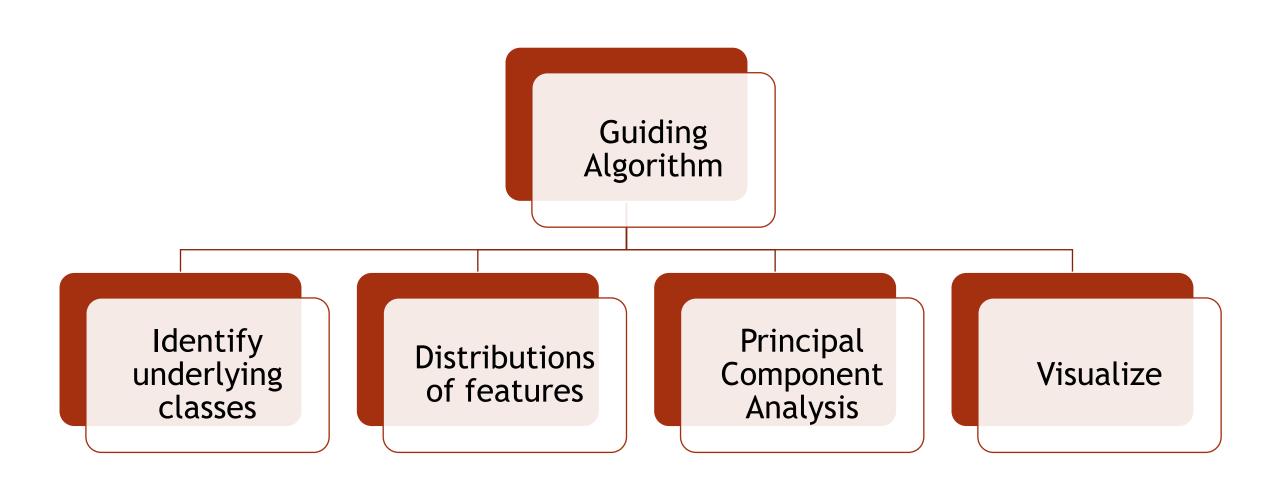
[OOB Score = True] for Validation

## Best Model: Random Forest Regressor

- Hyperparameters
  - max\_leaf\_nodes = 100
  - min\_samples\_leaf = 2
  - n\_estimators = 300
- RMSE = 0.069
- Test  $R^2 = 0.994$



## Q3. What are the features of the movies which receive the highest and lowest ratings from our customers?



## Models Explored

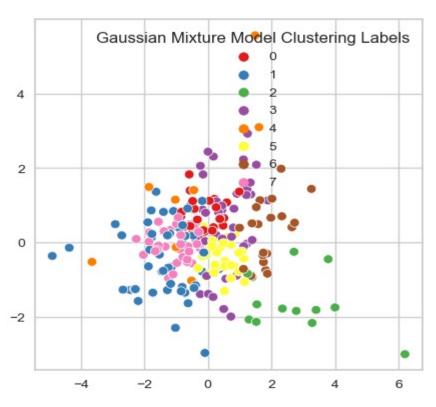
KMeans Clustering Agglomerative Clustering

Gaussian Mixture Methods

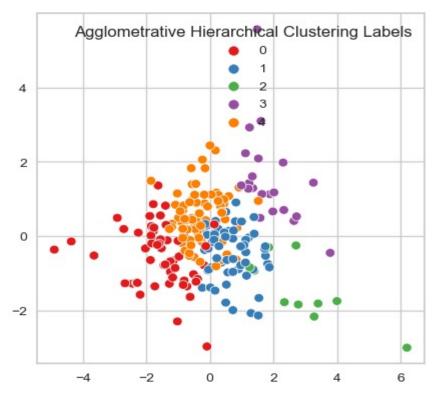
Spectral Clustering

## Results - The Bad Models

### Gaussian Mixture Model

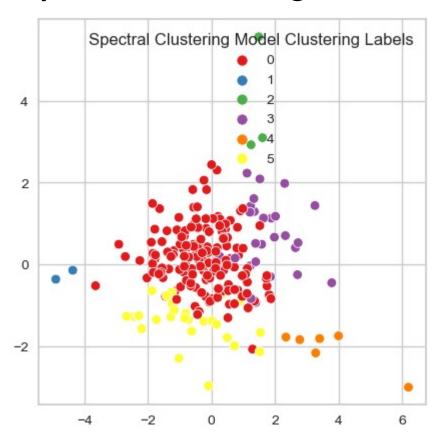


### **Agglomerative Clustering**

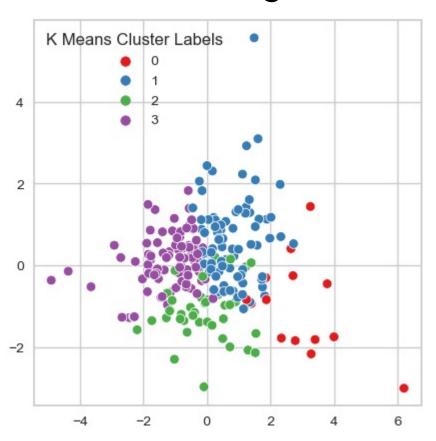


## Results - The Good Models

### **Spectral Clustering Model**



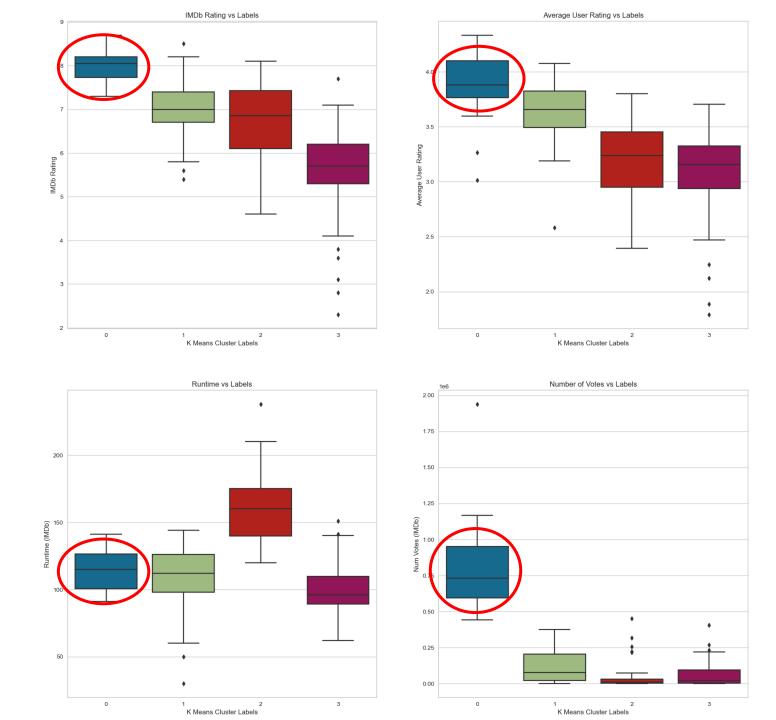
### **KMeans Clustering Model**



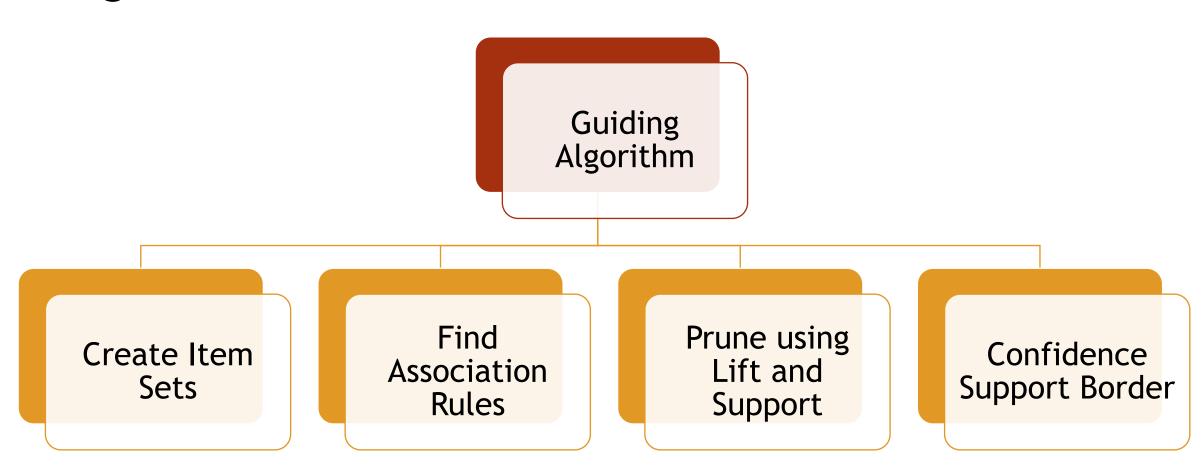
Note: PC1 and PC2 just explains 60%

## Best Model:

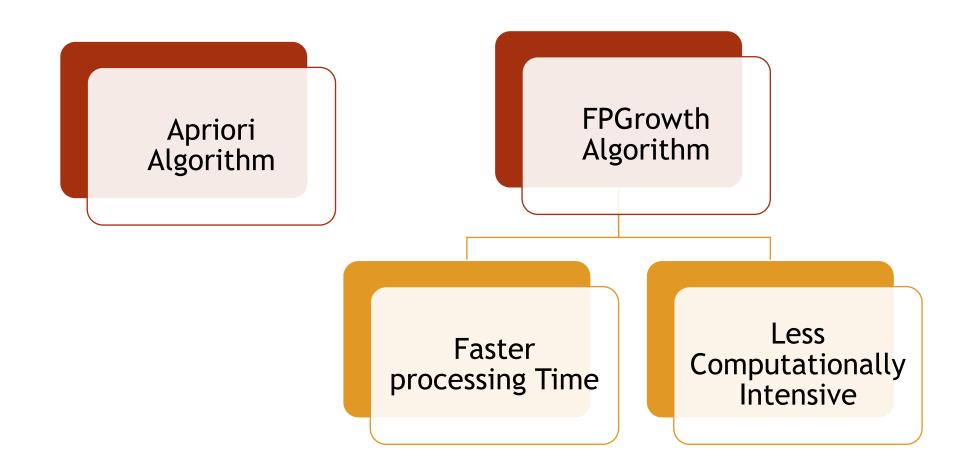
## KMeans Clustering



# Q4. What movies do users frequently watch together?



## Models Explored



## Results - Top 10 Rules

### **Support Metric Pruning**

consequents	antecedents	
(Kill Bill: Vol. 2)	(Kill Bill: Vol. 1)	
(Kill Bill: Vol. 1)	(Kill Bill: Vol. 2)	
(American Beauty)	(The Matrix)	
(The Matrix)	(American Beauty)	
(The Matrix)	(Men in Black)	
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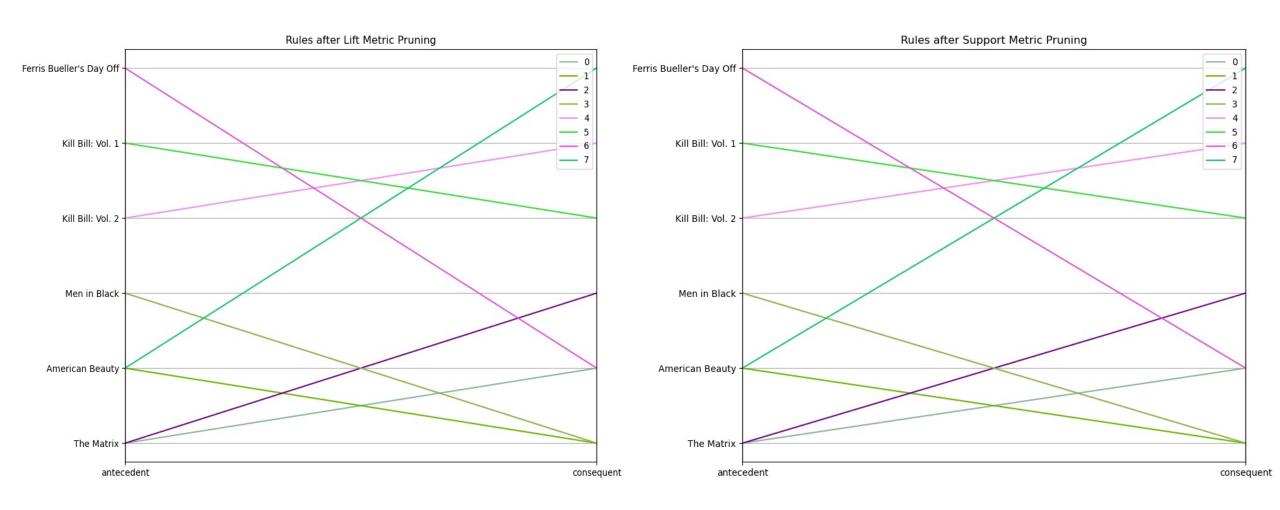
### **Lift Metric Pruning**

consequents

antecedente

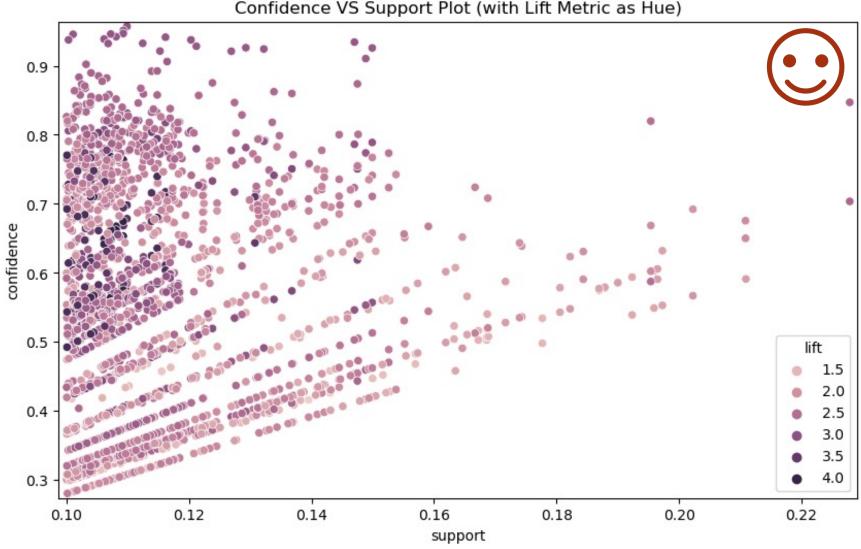
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(Kill Bill: Vol. 2, The Matrix)	(Kill Bill: Vol. 1, Men in Black)
(Kill Bill: Vol. 2, Ferris Bueller's Day Off)	(Kill Bill: Vol. 1, The Matrix)
(Kill Bill: Vol. 1, The Matrix)	(Kill Bill: Vol. 2, Ferris Bueller's Day Off)
(Kill Bill: Vol. 1, Indiana Jones and the Last	(Kill Bill: Vol. 2, The Matrix)
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### Results - Parallel Plots



### Confidence vs Support Border of Association Rules





### Future Work

Develop a **recommendation system** based on our work on association rule mining and LDA

Incorporate **customer demographic data** to better our predictive model

Any Questions?

