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Though the above dashboard is just showing the newest articles, you could imagine a recommendation board available here that shows the articles that are most pertinent to each user.

In order to determine which articles to show to each user, you will be performing a recommendation system available on the IBM Watson Studio platform. You can create your own account to join their community, and get a better understanding of their data [by creating an account here](#).

Your Tasks

Your project will be divided into the following tasks

I. Exploratory Data Analysis

Before making recommendations of any kind, you will need to explore the data you have for the project. Dive in to see what you can find. There are some basic, required questions answered about the data you are working with throughout the rest of the notebook. Explore, before you dive into the details of your recommendation system in the lab.

II. Rank Based Recommendations

To get started in building recommendations, you will first find the most popular articles based on the most interactions. Since there are no ratings for any of the articles, it is easy to assume that articles with the most interactions are the most popular. These are then the articles you will recommend to new users (or anyone depending on what we know about them).

III. User-User Based Collaborative Filtering

In order to build better recommendations for the users of IBM's platform, we could look at users who are similar in terms of the items they have interacted with. These items could then be recommended to the similar users. This would be a step in the right direction towards more personalized recommendations for the users. You will implement this next.

IV. Content Based Recommendations (EXTRA - NOT REQUIRED)

Given the amount of content available for each article, there are a number of different ways someone might choose to implement a content based recommendations system. You might come up with some extremely creative ways to develop a content based recommendation system. You are encouraged to complete a content based recommendation system if you do so to complete this project.

V. Matrix Factorization

Finally, you will complete a machine learning approach to building recommendations based on item interactions, you will build out a matrix decomposition. Using your decomposition, you can get an idea of how well you can predict new articles an individual might interact with (spreadsheet). You will finally discuss which methods you might use moving forward, and how well your recommendations are working for engaging users.

Before you submit your work, check the [RUBRIC](#) to make sure you meet all of the