

# Recommendations\_with\_IBM

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## 1 Recommendations with IBM

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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By following the table of contents, you will build out a number of different methods for making recommendations that can be used for different situations.

### 1.1 Table of Contents

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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.

```
In [2]: 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()
```

Out[2]:

	article_id	title \
0	1430.0	using pixiedust for fast, flexible, and easier...
1	1314.0	healthcare python streaming application demo
2	1429.0	use deep learning for image classification
3	1338.0	ml optimization using cognitive assistant
4	1276.0	deploy your python model as a restful api

```

                                email
0  ef5f11f77ba020cd36e1105a00ab868bbdbf7fe7
1  083cbdfa93c8444beaa4c5f5e0f5f9198e4f9e0b
2  b96a4f2e92d8572034b1e9b28f9ac673765cd074
3  06485706b34a5c9bf2a0ecdac41daf7e7654ceb7
4  f01220c46fc92c6e6b161b1849de11faacd7ccb2

```

```
In [3]: # Show df_content to get an idea of the data
df_content.head()
```

```
Out[3]:
                                doc_body \
0  Skip navigation Sign in SearchLoading...\r\n\r...
1  No Free Hunch Navigation * kaggle.com\r\n\r\n ...
2  * Login\r\n * Sign Up\r\n\r\n * Learning Pat...
3  DATALAYER: HIGH THROUGHPUT, LOW LATENCY AT SCA...
4  Skip navigation Sign in SearchLoading...\r\n\r...
```

```

                                doc_description \
0  Detect bad readings in real time using Python ...
1  See the forest, see the trees. Here lies the c...
2  Heres this weeks news in Data Science and Bi...
3  Learn how distributed DBs solve the problem of...
4  This video demonstrates the power of IBM DataS...
```

	doc_full_name	doc_status	article_id
0	Detect Malfunctioning IoT Sensors with Streami...	Live	0
1	Communicating data science: A guide to present...	Live	1
2	This Week in Data Science (April 18, 2017)	Live	2
3	DataLayer Conference: Boost the performance of...	Live	3
4	Analyze NY Restaurant data using Spark in DSX	Live	4

```
In [4]: df.info()
```

```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 45993 entries, 0 to 45992
Data columns (total 3 columns):
article_id    45993 non-null float64
title         45993 non-null object
email         45976 non-null object
dtypes: float64(1), object(2)
memory usage: 1.1+ MB

```

```
In [5]: # Null values in df dataframe
df.isnull().sum().sum()
```

```
Out[5]: 17
```

```
In [6]: df_content.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1056 entries, 0 to 1055
Data columns (total 5 columns):
doc_body          1042 non-null object
doc_description   1053 non-null object
doc_full_name     1056 non-null object
doc_status        1056 non-null object
article_id        1056 non-null int64
dtypes: int64(1), object(4)
memory usage: 41.3+ KB
```

```
In [7]: # Null values in df_content dataframe
df_content.isnull().sum().sum()
```

```
Out[7]: 17
```

There are 34 NULL values in df and df\_content DataFrames.

### 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.

```
In [8]: # Calculate articles per user
articles_per_user = pd.DataFrame(df.groupby(['email'])['article_id'].count())
articles_per_user.reset_index(inplace=True)
articles_per_user.rename(columns={'article_id': 'number_of_interracted_articles'}, inplace=True)
```

```
In [9]: articles_per_user.head()
```

```
Out[9]:
```

	email	number_of_interracted_articles
0	0000b6387a0366322d7fbfc6434af145adf7fed1	13
1	001055fc0bb67f71e8fa17002342b256a30254cd	4
2	00148e4911c7e04eef8def7bbbdaf1c59c2c621	3
3	001a852ecbd6cc12ab77a785efa137b2646505fe	6
4	001fc95b90da5c3cb12c501d201a915e4f093290	2

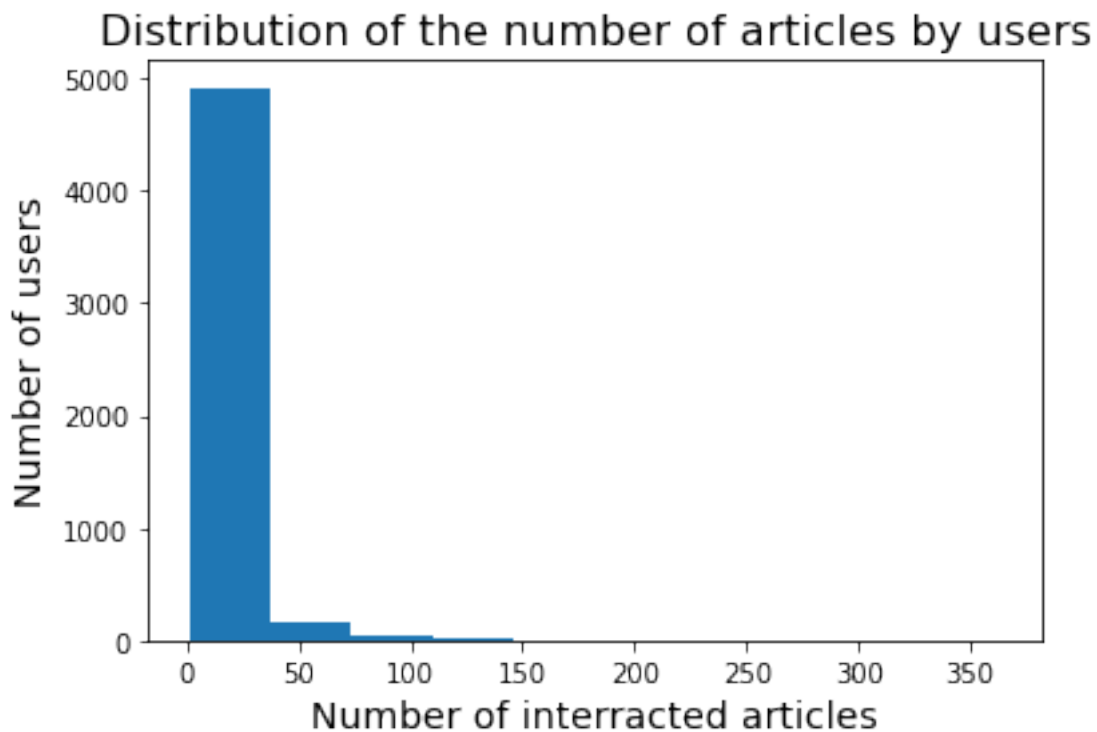
```
In [10]: articles_per_user.describe(percentiles=[0.25, 0.50, 0.75, 0.99])
```

```
Out[10]:
```

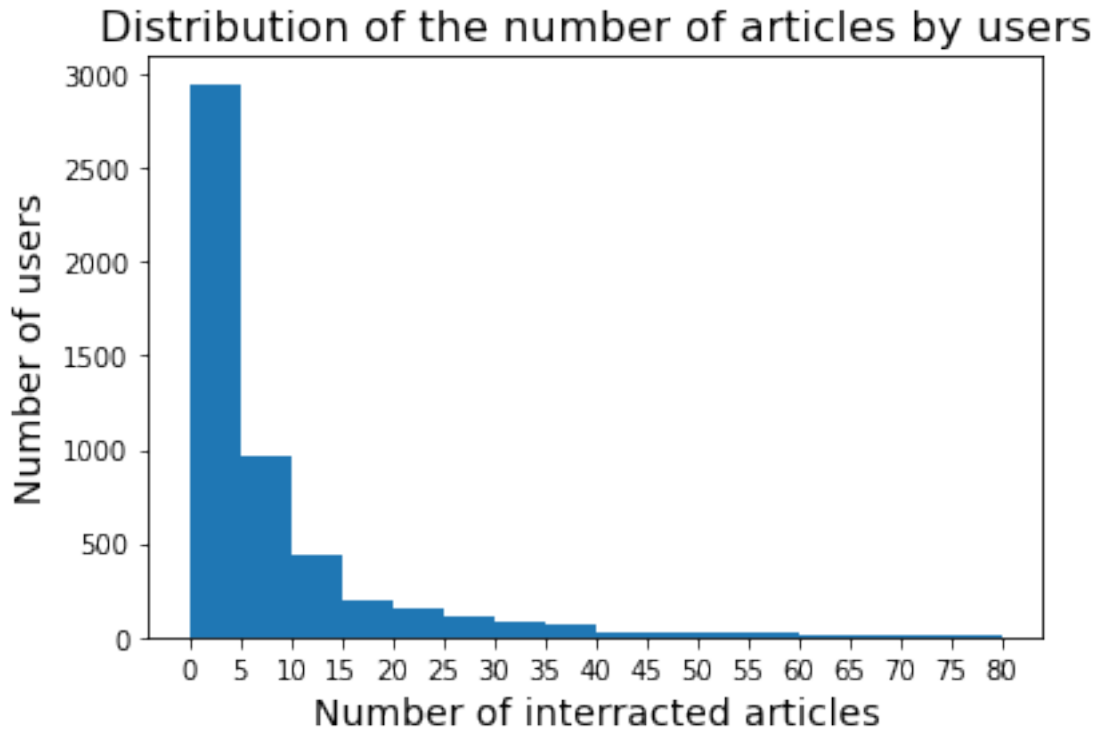
	number_of_interracted_articles
count	5148.000000
mean	8.930847
std	16.802267
min	1.000000
25%	1.000000

50%	3.000000
75%	9.000000
99%	80.000000
max	364.000000

```
In [11]: # Let's have a look at distribution of articles per user
plt.hist(data=articles_per_user, x='number_of_interracted_articles')
plt.xlabel('Number of interracted articles', fontsize=14)
plt.ylabel('Number of users', fontsize=14)
plt.title("Distribution of the number of articles by users", fontsize=16);
```



```
In [12]: # Revisualizing distribution of articles by user
bins = np.arange(0, 81, 5)
ticks = np.arange(0, 81, 5)
plt.hist(data=articles_per_user, x='number_of_interracted_articles', bins=bins)
plt.xticks(ticks, ticks)
plt.xlabel('Number of interracted articles', fontsize=14)
plt.ylabel('Number of users', fontsize=14)
plt.title("Distribution of the number of articles by users", fontsize=16);
```



```
In [13]: # Fill in the median and maximum number of user_article interactions below
median_val = int(articles_per_user['number_of_interracted_articles'].median()) # 50% of
max_views_by_user = int(articles_per_user['number_of_interracted_articles'].max()) # Th
```

```
In [14]: # Print the results
print('50% of individuals interact with {} number of articles or fewer.'.format(median_
print('The maximum number of user-article interactions by any 1 user is {}'.format(max
```

50% of individuals interact with 3 number of articles or fewer.  
The maximum number of user-article interactions by any 1 user is 364.

2. Explore and remove duplicate articles from the **df\_content** dataframe.

```
In [15]: # Find and explore duplicate articles
df_content[df_content.duplicated(subset='article_id', keep=False) == True]
```

```
Out[15]:
```

	doc_body \
50	Follow Sign in / Sign up Home About Insight Da...
221	* United States\r\n\r\nIBMō * Site map\r\n\r\n...
232	Homepage Follow Sign in Get started Homepage *...
365	Follow Sign in / Sign up Home About Insight Da...
399	Homepage Follow Sign in Get started * Home\r\n...
578	This video shows you how to construct queries ...

```

692 Homepage Follow Sign in / Sign up Homepage * H...
761 Homepage Follow Sign in Get started Homepage *...
970 This video shows you how to construct queries ...
971 Homepage Follow Sign in Get started * Home\r\n...

```

```

                                doc_description \
50                                Community Detection at Scale
221 When used to make sense of huge amounts of con...
232 If you are like most data scientists, you are ...
365 During the seven-week Insight Data Engineering...
399 Todays world of data science leverages data f...
578 This video shows you how to construct queries ...
692 One of the earliest documented catalogs was co...
761 Todays world of data science leverages data f...
970 This video shows you how to construct queries ...
971 If you are like most data scientists, you are ...

```

	doc_full_name	doc_status	article_id
50	Graph-based machine learning	Live	50
221	How smart catalogs can turn the big data flood...	Live	221
232	Self-service data preparation with IBM Data Re...	Live	232
365	Graph-based machine learning	Live	50
399	Using Apache Spark as a parallel processing fr...	Live	398
578	Use the Primary Index	Live	577
692	How smart catalogs can turn the big data flood...	Live	221
761	Using Apache Spark as a parallel processing fr...	Live	398
970	Use the Primary Index	Live	577
971	Self-service data preparation with IBM Data Re...	Live	232

```

In [16]: # Remove any rows that have the same article_id - only keep the first
df_content.drop_duplicates(subset='article_id', keep='first', inplace=True)

```

```

In [17]: df_content.info()

```

```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 1051 entries, 0 to 1055
Data columns (total 5 columns):
doc_body      1037 non-null object
doc_description  1048 non-null object
doc_full_name  1051 non-null object
doc_status    1051 non-null object
article_id    1051 non-null int64
dtypes: int64(1), object(4)
memory usage: 49.3+ KB

```

```

In [18]: # Check the number of duplicates after cleaning
df_content['article_id'].duplicated().sum()

```

```
Out[18]: 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.

```
In [19]: unique_articles = df['article_id'].nunique() # The number of unique articles that have
total_articles = df_content['article_id'].nunique() # The number of unique articles on
unique_users = df['email'].nunique() # The number of unique users
user_article_interactions = df.shape[0] # The number of user-article interactions
```

```
In [20]: # Print the results
print('The number of unique articles that have at least one interaction {}'.format(unique_articles))
print('The number of unique articles on the IBM platform {}'.format(total_articles))
print('The number of unique users {}'.format(unique_users))
print('The number of user-article interactions {}'.format(user_article_interactions))
```

The number of unique articles that have at least one interaction 714.

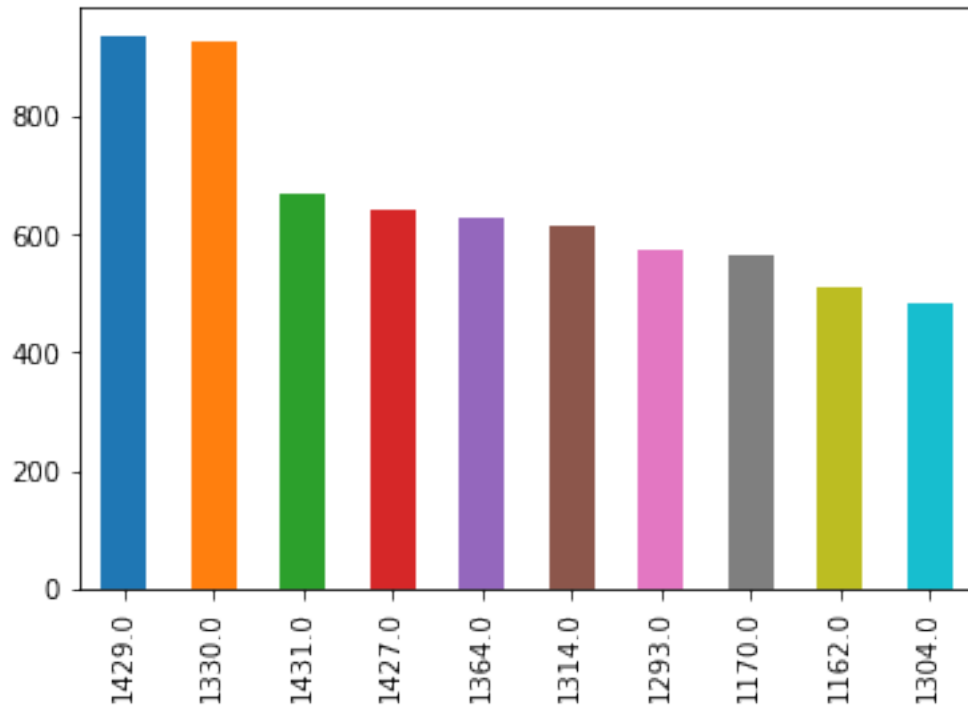
The number of unique articles on the IBM platform 1051.

The number of unique users 5148.

The number of user-article interactions 45993.

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).

```
In [21]: # Most viewed articles
df['article_id'].value_counts().head(10).plot.bar();
```



```
In [22]: df['article_id'].value_counts().head(1)
```

```
Out[22]: 1429.0    937
         Name: article_id, dtype: int64
```

```
In [23]: most_viewed_article_id = '1429.0' # The most viewed article in the dataset as a string
         max_views = 937 # The most viewed article in the dataset was viewed how many times?
```

```
In [24]: print('The most viewed article in the dataset as a string with one value following the
         print('The most viewed article in the dataset was viewed how many times? Answer: {}'.f
```

The most viewed article in the dataset as a string with one value following the decimal: 1429.0.  
 The most viewed article in the dataset was viewed how many times? Answer: 937.

```
In [25]: ## No need to change the code here - this will be helpful for later parts of the notebook
         # Run this cell to map the user email to a user_id column and remove the email column
```

```
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()

Out[25]:
  article_id  title  user_id
0    1430.0  using pixiedust for fast, flexible, and easier...    1
1    1314.0  healthcare python streaming application demo    2
2    1429.0  use deep learning for image classification    3
3    1338.0  ml optimization using cognitive assistant    4
4    1276.0  deploy your python model as a restful api    5

In [26]: ## 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_a
    'The maximum number of user-article interactions by any 1 user is ____.': max_v
    'The most viewed article in the dataset was viewed ____ times.': max_views,
    'The article_id of the most viewed article is ____.': most_viewed_article_id,
    'The number of unique articles that have at least 1 rating ____.': unique_artic
    '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.

```

In [27]: def get_top_articles(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 titles
        '''
        # Your code here
        top_articles = list(df.groupby(['title'])['article_id'].count().sort_values(ascending=False).head(n))

        return top_articles # Return the top article titles from df (not 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 titles
    '''
    # Your code here
    top_articles = list(df['article_id'].value_counts().head(n).index)

    return top_articles # Return the top article ids

In [28]: print(get_top_articles(10))
        print(get_top_article_ids(10))

['use deep learning for image classification', 'insights from new york car accident reports', 'v
[1429.0, 1330.0, 1431.0, 1427.0, 1364.0, 1314.0, 1293.0, 1170.0, 1162.0, 1304.0]

In [29]: # 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 reformat the `df` dataframe to be shaped with users as the rows and articles as the columns.

- Each **user** should only appear in each **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.

```
In [30]: # create the user-article matrix with 1's and 0's
```

```
def create_user_item_matrix(df):  
    '''  
    INPUT:  
    df - pandas dataframe with article_id, title, user_id columns  
  
    OUTPUT:  
    user_item - user item matrix  
  
    Description:  
    Return a matrix with user ids as rows and article ids on the columns with 1 values  
    an article and a 0 otherwise  
    '''  
    # Fill in the function here  
    user_item=df.groupby(by=['user_id', 'article_id']).agg(lambda x: 1).unstack().fillna(0)  
    return user_item # return the user_item matrix  
  
user_item = create_user_item_matrix(df)
```

```
In [31]: ## 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 is not 5149"  
assert user_item.shape[1] == 714, "Oops! The number of articles in the user-article matrix is not 714"  
assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 does not equal 36"  
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.

```
In [32]: 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

        OUTPUT:
        similar_users - (list) an ordered list where the closest users (largest dot product)
                        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
        user_item_new=user_item.copy()
        user_item_new['similarity']=np.dot(user_item,user_item.loc[user_id,:])

        # sort by similarity
        user_item_new.sort_values(by='similarity', ascending=False, inplace=True)

        # create list of just the ids
        most_similar_users = list(user_item_new.index)

        # remove the own user's id
        most_similar_users.remove(user_id)

        return most_similar_users # return a list of the users in order from most to least

In [33]: # Do a spot check of your function
        print("The 10 most similar users to user 1 are: {}".format(find_similar_users(1)[:10]))
        print("The 5 most similar users to user 3933 are: {}".format(find_similar_users(3933)[:5]))
        print("The 3 most similar users to user 46 are: {}".format(find_similar_users(46)[:3]))

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

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.

```

In [34]: def get_article_names(article_ids, df=df):
    '''
    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 article
                    (this is identified by the title column)
    '''
    # Your code here
    article_names=df[df['article_id'].isin(article_ids)]['title'].unique().tolist()

    return article_names # Return the article names associated with list of 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, 0 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 article
                    (this is identified by the doc_full_name column in df_content)

    Description:
    Provides a list of the article_ids and article titles that have been seen by a user
    '''
    # Your code here
    article_ids = user_item.loc[user_id][user_item.loc[user_id]==1].title.index.tolist()
    article_ids = [str(item) for item in article_ids]
    article_names = get_article_names(article_ids)

    return article_ids, article_names # return the ids and names


def user_user_recs(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

```

*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 them as recommendations*

*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*

```
'''
# List of the most similar users
most_similar_users = find_similar_users(user_id)
# Get viewed articles by the user
viewed_article_ids_self, viewed_article_names_self = get_user_articles(user_id)

recs = []

for user in most_similar_users:
    article_ids, article_names = get_user_articles(user)

    for article_id in article_ids:
        if article_id not in viewed_article_ids_self:
            if article_id not in recs and len(recs) < m:
                recs.append(article_id)
                if len(recs) >= m:
                    break
    if len(recs) >= m:
        break

    return recs # return your recommendations for this user_id
```

In [35]: # Check Results

```
get_article_names(user_user_recs(1, 10)) # Return 10 recommendations for user 1
```

```
Out[35]: ['got zip code data? prep it for analytics. ibm watson data lab medium',
'timeseries data analysis of iot events by using jupyter notebook',
'graph-based machine learning',
'using brunel in ipython/jupyter notebooks',
'experience iot with coursera',
'the 3 kinds of context: machine learning and the art of the frame',
'deep forest: towards an alternative to deep neural networks',
'this week in data science (april 18, 2017)',
'higher-order logistic regression for large datasets',
'using machine learning to predict parking difficulty']
```

In [36]: # 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', '1427.0
```

```

assert set(get_article_names(['1320.0', '232.0', '844.0'])) == set(['housing (2015): un
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 demographic
assert set(get_user_articles(2)[0]) == set(['1024.0', '1176.0', '1305.0', '1314.0', '14
assert set(get_user_articles(2)[1]) == set(['using deep learning to reconstruct high-re
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.

```

In [37]: 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 provided
                        num_interactions - the number of articles viewed by the user - if a

        Other Details - sort the neighbors_df by the similarity and then by number of inter
                        highest of each is higher in the dataframe

        '''
        # Your code here
        # Compute similarity of each user to the provided user

        user_item_new=user_item.copy()

        # calculate similarity & number of interactions
        user_item_new['similarity']=np.dot(user_item,user_item.loc[user_id,:])
        user_item_new['num_interactions']=user_item.sum(axis=1)

```

```

# sort by similarity & number of interactions
user_item_new.sort_values(by=['similarity','num_interactions'],ascending=False,inplace=True)

neighbors_df=user_item_new[['similarity','num_interactions']].reset_index()
neighbors_df.columns=['neighbor_id','similarity','num_interactions']

neighbors_df=neighbors_df[neighbors_df['neighbor_id']!=user_id]
return neighbors_df # Return the dataframe specified in the doc_string

def get_article_interaction(user_item=user_item):
    """
    INPUT:
    user_item - (pandas dataframe) matrix of users by articles:
                1's when a user has interacted with an article, 0 otherwise

    OUTPUT:
    article_inter_T - (pandas dataframe) containing the number of interactions for each article

    Description:
    Calculate the number of interactions for each article
    """

    article_df=pd.DataFrame(columns=user_item.columns,index=['num_interactions'])
    article_df.loc['num_interactions',:]=user_item.sum(axis=0)

    article_inter_T=article_df.T.reset_index()
    article_inter_T.drop(['level_0'],axis=1, inplace=True)

    return article_inter_T

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 them as recommendations
    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.*

```
'''
# Your code here
article_ids_self, article_names_self = get_user_articles(user_id)
# Get close neighbors
neighbors_df=get_top_sorted_users(user_id, df=df, user_item=user_item)
neighbors_lst=neighbors_df['neighbor_id']

# Get article interactions
article_interaction_df=get_article_interaction(user_item)

recs=[]

for user_id in neighbors_lst:
    article_ids, article_names = get_user_articles(user_id)

    df_temp=article_interaction_df[article_interaction_df['article_id'].isin(article_ids)]
    df_temp=df_temp.sort_values(by='num_interactions')

    for article_id in df_temp['article_id']:

        if article_id not in article_ids_self:
            if article_id not in recs and len(recs) < m:
                recs.append(article_id)
                if len(recs)>=m:
                    break
            if len(recs)>=m:
                break

    rec_names=get_article_names(recs)
    return recs, rec_names
```

```
In [38]: # 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:  
[763.0, 857.0, 876.0, 468.0, 347.0, 273.0, 990.0, 858.0, 302.0, 609.0]

The top 10 recommendations for user 20 are the following article names:  
['accelerate your workflow with dsx', 'what is hadoop?', 'simple linear regression? do it the ba

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.

```
In [39]: # The most similar user to user 1
         get_top_sorted_users(1).neighbor_id.values[0]
```

```
Out[39]: 3933
```

```
In [40]: # The 10th most similar user to user 131
         get_top_sorted_users(131).neighbor_id.values[10]
```

```
Out[40]: 242
```

```
In [41]: ### Tests with a dictionary of results
         user1_most_sim = get_top_sorted_users(1).neighbor_id.values[0] # Find the user that is
         user131_10th_sim = get_top_sorted_users(131).neighbor_id.values[10] # Find the 10th mos
```

```
In [42]: ## 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? Use the cell below to explain a better method for new users.

**Provide your response here.**

For the cold start problem we cannot use user-user based collaborative recommendation due to the lack of information. However, we can utilize rank based recommendations and use the function `get_top_articles` to recommend the most popular content. Also, we may consider using other available information from new users' profiles on the platform such as geographical location, background, industry, interests and so on.

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.

```
In [43]: new_user = '0.0'

         # What would your recommendations be for this new user '0.0'? As a new user, they have
         # Provide a list of the top 10 article ids you would give to
         new_user_recs = get_top_article_ids(10) # Your recommendations here
         new_user_recs=[str(x) for x in new_user_recs]
```

```
In [44]: assert set(new_user_recs) == set(['1314.0', '1429.0', '1293.0', '1427.0', '1162.0', '1364.0'])

        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.**

```
In [45]: def make_content_recs():
        '''
        INPUT:

        OUTPUT:

        '''
```

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.**

```
In [46]: # 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.

```
In [47]: # Load the matrix here
```

```
user_item_matrix = pd.read_pickle('user_item_matrix.p')
```

```
In [48]: # quick look at the matrix
```

```
user_item_matrix.head()
```

```
Out[48]: article_id  0.0  100.0  1000.0  1004.0  1006.0  1008.0  101.0  1014.0  1015.0  \
user_id
1          0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0
2          0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0
3          0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0
4          0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0
5          0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0

article_id  1016.0  ...   977.0  98.0  981.0  984.0  985.0  986.0  990.0  \
user_id      ...
1          0.0  ...    0.0  0.0    1.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0
2          0.0  ...    0.0  0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0
3          0.0  ...    1.0  0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0
4          0.0  ...    0.0  0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0
5          0.0  ...    0.0  0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0    0.0

article_id  993.0  996.0  997.0
user_id
1          0.0    0.0    0.0
2          0.0    0.0    0.0
3          0.0    0.0    0.0
4          0.0    0.0    0.0
5          0.0    0.0    0.0
```

```
[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.

```
In [49]: # Perform SVD on the User-Item Matrix Here
```

```
u, s, vt = np.linalg.svd(user_item_matrix) # use the built in to get the three matrices
```

**Provide your response here.**

We do not have any missing values. Therefore, we use SVD.

The lessons for the program contain information on FunkSVD, which is applicable for datasets with missing values, where we need to predict users' behavior.

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.

```
In [50]: num_latent_feats = np.arange(10,700+10,20)
         sum_errs = []

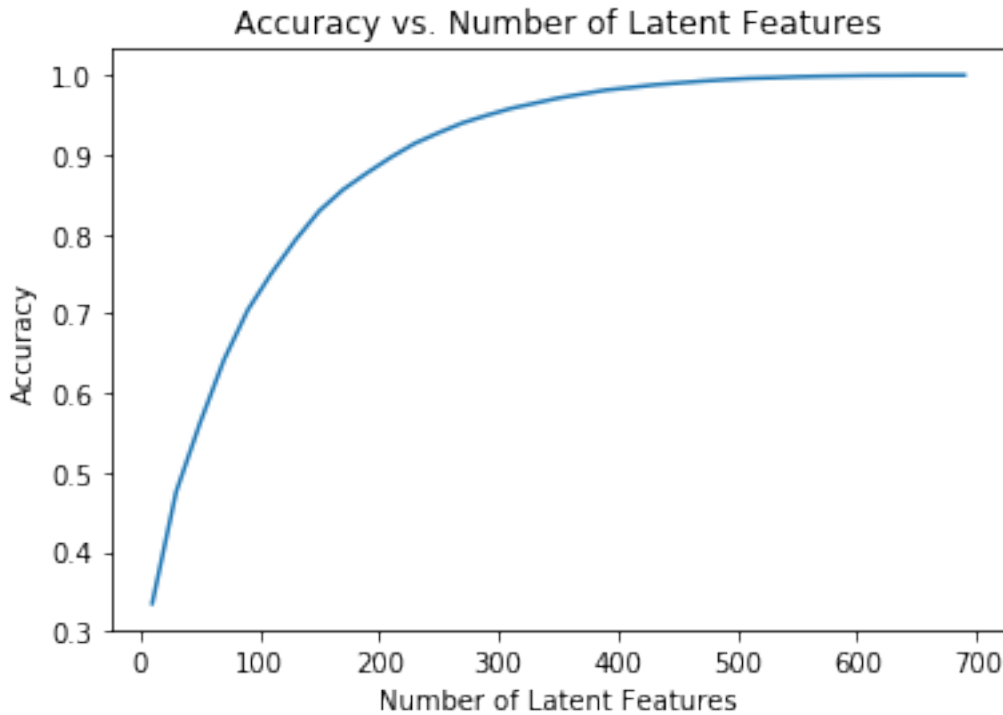
         for k in num_latent_feats:
             # restructure with k latent features
             s_new, u_new, vt_new = np.diag(s[:k]), u[:, :k], vt[:k, :]

             # 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?

```
In [51]: df_train = df.head(40000)
         df_test = df.tail(5993)

def create_test_and_train_user_item(df_train, df_test):
    """
    INPUT:
    df_train - training dataframe
    df_test - test dataframe

    OUTPUT:
    user_item_train - a user-item matrix of the training dataframe
```

```

        (unique users for each row and unique articles for each column)
    user_item_test - a user-item matrix of the testing dataframe
        (unique users for each row and unique articles for each column)
    test_idx - all of the test user ids
    test_arts - all of the test article ids

    """
    # Your code here
    user_item_train=create_user_item_matrix(df_train)
    user_item_test=create_user_item_matrix(df_test)
    test_idx=user_item_test.index
    test_arts=user_item_test.columns

    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(

In [52]: # Number of users in both train and test sets
        len(user_item_test.index.intersection(user_item_train.index))

Out[52]: 20

In [53]: # Number of users in test but not in train
        len(np.setdiff1d(user_item_test.index, user_item_train.index))

Out[53]: 662

In [54]: # Number of articles in both train and test
        len(user_item_test.columns.intersection(user_item_train.columns))

Out[54]: 574

In [55]: # Number of articles in test set but not in training set
        len(np.setdiff1d(user_item_test.columns, user_item_train.columns))

Out[55]: 0

In [56]: # 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, # letter here,
    'How many users in the test set are we not able to make predictions for because of
    'How many movies can we make predictions for in the test set?': b, # letter here,
    'How many movies in the test set are we not able to make predictions for because of
}

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

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.

```
In [57]: # fit SVD on the user_item_train matrix
u_train, s_train, vt_train = np.linalg.svd(user_item_train) # fit svd similar to above

In [58]: # Use these cells to see how well you can use the training
# decomposition to predict on test data

In [59]: num_latent_feats = np.arange(10,700+10,20)
sum_errs_train = []
sum_errs_test = []
user_item_test = user_item_test.loc[user_item_test.index.isin(user_item_train.index), :]
u_test = u_train[user_item_train.index.isin(user_item_test.index), :]
vt_test = vt_train[:, user_item_train.columns.isin(test_arts)]

for k in num_latent_feats:
    # restructure with k latent features
    s_new_train, u_new_train, vt_new_train = np.diag(s_train[:k]), u_train[:, :k], vt_train[:, :k]

    s_new_test, u_new_test, vt_new_test = s_new_train, u_test[:, :k], vt_test[:, :k]

    # take dot product
    user_item_est_train = np.around(np.dot(np.dot(u_new_train, s_new_train), vt_new_train))
    user_item_est_test = np.around(np.dot(np.dot(u_new_test, s_new_test), vt_new_test))

    # compute error for each prediction to actual value
    diffs_train = np.subtract(user_item_train, user_item_est_train)
    diffs_test = np.subtract(user_item_test, user_item_est_test)

    # total errors and keep track of them
    err_train = np.sum(np.sum(np.abs(diffs_train)))
    err_test = np.sum(np.sum(np.abs(diffs_test)))

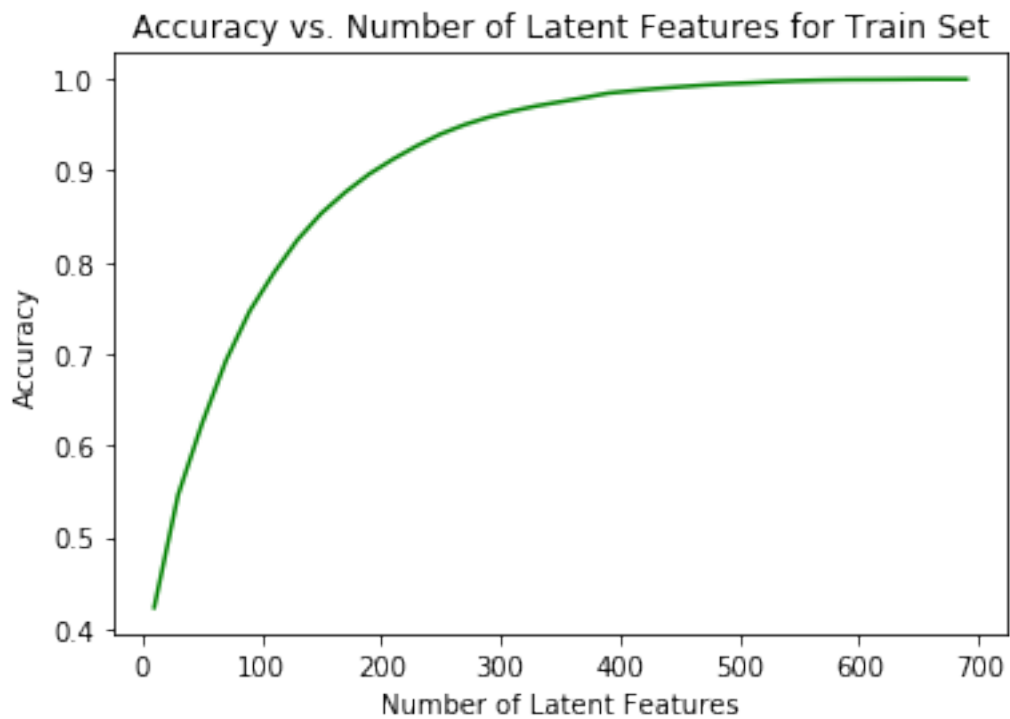
    sum_errs_train.append(err_train)

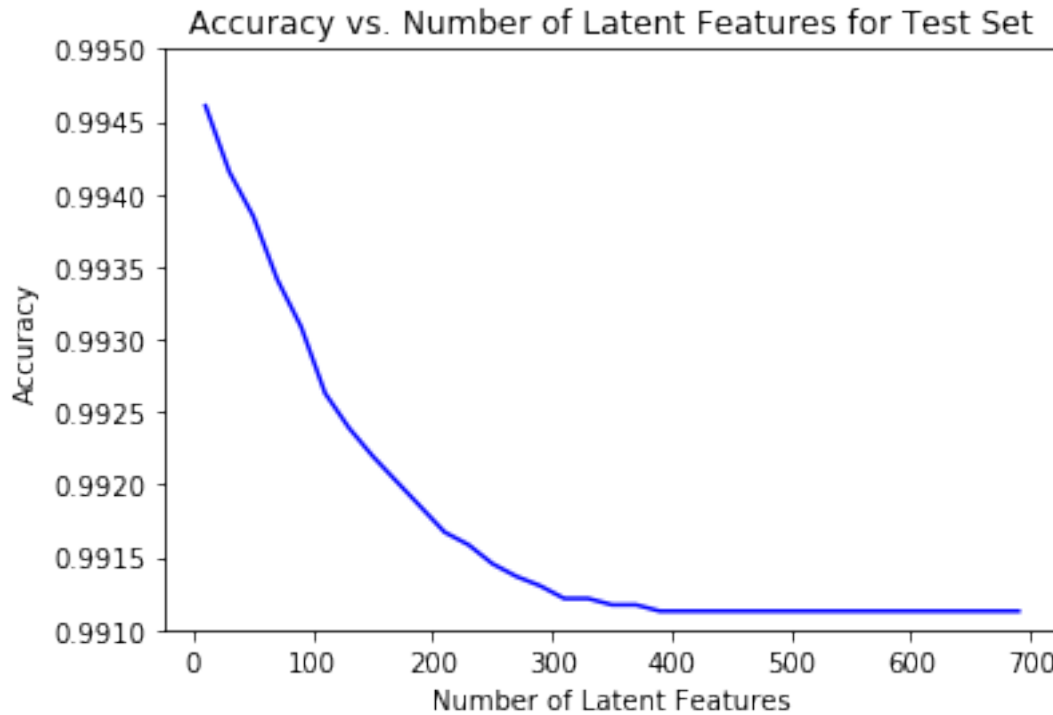
    sum_errs_test.append(err_test)

In [60]: plt.plot(num_latent_feats, 1 - np.array(sum_errs_train)/df.shape[0], color='green')
plt.xlabel('Number of Latent Features');
```



```
plt.ylabel('Accuracy');  
plt.title('Accuracy vs. Number of Latent Features for Train Set');  
plt.show()  
  
plt.plot(num_latent_feats, 1 - np.array(sum_errs_test)/df.shape[0], color='blue')  
  
plt.xlabel('Number of Latent Features');  
plt.ylabel('Accuracy');  
plt.ylim(0.991,0.995);  
plt.title('Accuracy vs. Number of Latent Features for Test Set');  
plt.show()
```





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?

**Your response here.**

There is a slight decrease of the model's accuracy with the increasing number of latent features, which could be due to overfitting of the model. However, we only have data for 20 users in the test set, which creates difficulties to predict the accuracy with the limited number of users. I would use cross validation to randomly split into training and test sets and repeat many times to see the prediction performance. Also, we can simply increase the size of train and test sets to check the results.

Another possible option is A/B testing, which helps to determine the performance of the above recommendation systems. In this case, the null hypothesis is there is no difference between the way users currently find articles and with our recommendation systems. p value is determined and compared with the results to reject or accept the null hypothesis. By using cookie or user-based diversion, people will be split into control and experiment groups.

### 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 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** sub-menu, 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!

```
In [61]: from subprocess import call
         call(['python', '-m', 'nbconvert', 'Recommendations_with_IBM.ipynb'])
```

```
Out[61]: 0
```