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Recommendation Systems Project

Data Description:

Amazon Reviews data (<u>data source</u>) The repository has several datasets. For this case study, we are using the Electronics dataset.

Domain:

E-commerce

Context:

Online E-commerce websites like Amazon, Flipkart uses different recommendation models to provide different suggestions to different users. Amazon currently uses item-to-item collaborative filtering, which scales to massive data sets and produces high-quality recommendations in real-time.

<u>Attribute Information:</u>

• userId : Every user identified with a unique id

• productId : Every product identified with a unique id

• Rating : Rating of the corresponding product by the corresponding

user

• timestamp: Time of the rating (ignore this column for this exercise)

Learning Outcomes:

- Exploratory Data Analysis
- Creating a Recommendation system using real data
- Collaborative filtering

Objective:

Build a recommendation system to recommend products to customers based on the their previous ratings for other products.

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Steps and tasks:

- 1. Read and explore the given dataset. (Rename column/add headers, plot histograms, find data characteristics) (3 Marks)
- 2. Take a subset of the dataset to make it less sparse/ denser. (For example, keep the users only who has given 50 or more number of ratings) (3 Marks)
- 3. Split the data randomly into train and test dataset. (For example, split it in 70/30 ratio) (3 Marks)
- 4. Build Popularity Recommender model. (20 Marks)
- 5. Build Collaborative Filtering model. (20 Marks)
- 6. Evaluate both the models. (Once the model is trained on the training data, it can be used to compute the error (RMSE) on predictions made on the test data.) (7 Marks)
- 7. Get top K (K = 5) recommendations. Since our goal is to recommend new products for each user based on his/her habits, we will recommend 5 new products. (7 Marks)
- 8. Summarise your insights. (7 Marks)

References:

- Recommender systems and its applications
- Use cases of Recommendation systems

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