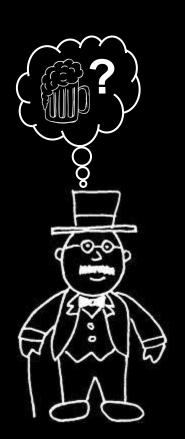
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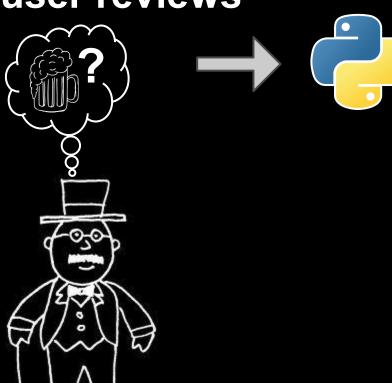
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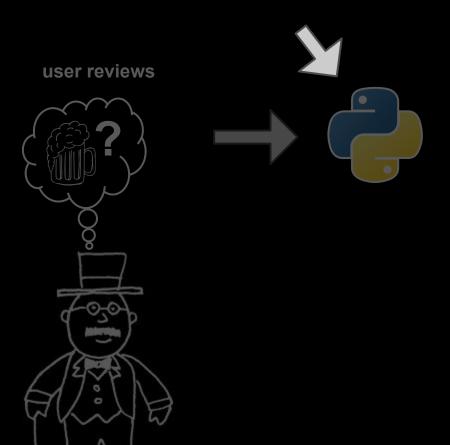
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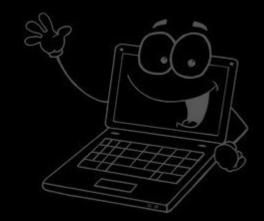




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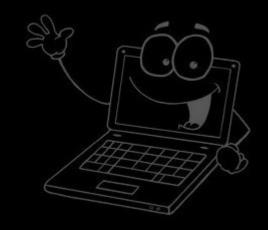








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The recommender is trained using the BeerAdvocate.com database

- 1,586,614 reviews, text, 0-5 star ratings
- 56,857 unique beers
- 33,388 unique users
- Use these to build the review matrices Y and R
- Obtained from a friendly blogger (thanks!)
- Previously available <u>from Stanford</u>



Home-brew collaborative filtering

- regularized least squares linear regression with L-BFGS optimization
- guthon used to return a sparse component of an otherwise dense matrix multiplication

$$\langle X\Theta^T, R \rangle = Y$$

 pull request in progress to include this to SciPy.org

location data

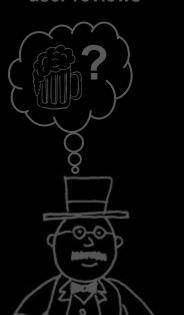
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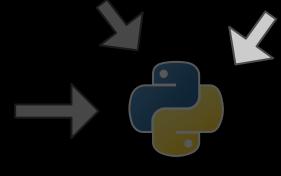






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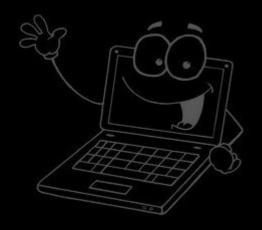








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Filter results by location data scraped from RateBeer.com

Names differ between databases

(48, u'Port Brewing/Lost Abbey|Port Brewing High Tide Fresh Hop IPA')

- ... but can be matched by n-gram similarity
- mismatches are easy to clean



Beeradvocate



location data





Flask Web development.

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front end























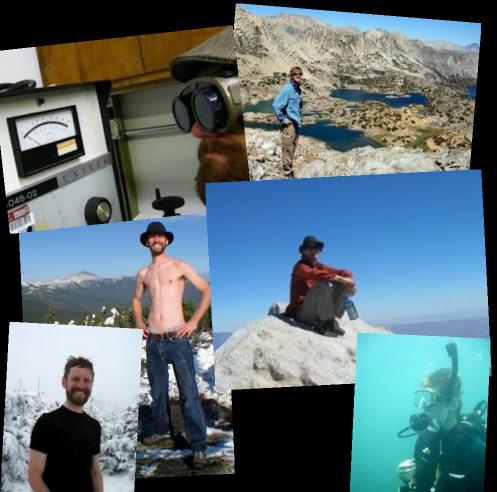
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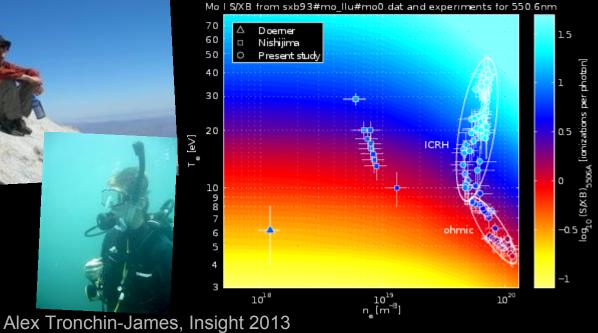
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Tuning and validation

 Applying learning curves to tune number of features and regularization parameter

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