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## The Experiment Report of Machine Learning

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# Linear Regression, Linear Classification and Gradient Descent

## Abstract—

## I. INTRODUCTION

### Motivation

1. Explore the construction of recommended system.
2. Understand the principle of matrix decomposition.
3. Be familiar to the use of gradient descent.
4. Construct a recommendation system under small-scale dataset, cultivate engineering ability.

### Dataset

1. Utilizing MovieLens-100k dataset.
2. u.data -- Consisting 10,000 comments from 943 users out of 1682 movies. At least, each user comment 20 videos. Users and movies are numbered consecutively from number 1 respectively. The data is sorted randomly
3. u1.base / u1.test are train set and validation set respectively, seperated from dataset u.data with proportion of 80% and 20%. It also make sense to train set and validation set from u1.base / u1.test to u5.base / u5.test.

## II. METHODS AND THEORY

Matrix Decomposition; Recommender System; stochastic gradient descent(SGD)

## III. EXPERIMENT

Using stochastic gradient descent method(SGD):

1. Read the data set and divide it (or use u1.base / u1.test to u5.base / u5.test directly). Populate the original scoring matrix  $R_{n\_users, n\_items}$  against the raw data, and fill 0 for null values.

```
train_path = 'C:/Users/47864/Desktop/ml-100k/ml-100k/u1.base'
test_path = 'C:/Users/47864/Desktop/ml-100k/ml-100k/u1.test'
train = np.loadtxt(train_path)
test = np.loadtxt(test_path)
R = np.zeros((943,1682))
for sample in train:
    R[int(sample[0])-1][int(sample[1])-1] = int(sample[2]) #the sparse user score matrix
```

2. Initialize the user factor matrix  $P_{n\_users, K}$  and the item (movie) factor matrix  $Q_{n\_item, K}$  where K is the number of potential features.

```
user_gradient = np.zeros(user_w.shape)
movie_gradient = np.zeros(movie_w.shape)
for row in range(user_w.shape[0]):
    col = int(random.choice(train[train[:,0]==(row+1)][1])-1)
    user_gradient[row] = -movie_w.T[col]*R[row][col] - np.dot(user_w[row], movie_w.T[col])

for col in range(movie_w.shape[1]):
    try:
        row = int(random.choice(train[train[:,1]==(col+1)][0])-1)
    except:
        pass
```

3. Determine the loss function and hyperparameter learning rate  $\eta$  and the penalty factor  $\lambda$ .

```
def compute_loss(user_w, movie_w, dataset):
    sum_loss = 0
    for sample in dataset:
        pred_rate = np.dot(user_w[int(sample[0]),:], movie_w[:,int(sample[1])])
        sum_loss += 1/2*(pred_rate-sample[2])**2
    return sum_loss/len(dataset)
```

4. Use the stochastic gradient descent method to decompose the sparse user score matrix, get the user factor matrix and item (movie) factor matrix:

- 4.1 Select a sample from scoring matrix randomly;
- 4.2 Calculate this sample's loss gradient of specific row(column) of user factor matrix and item factor matrix;

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        sum_loss += 1/2*(pred_rate-sample[2])**2
    return sum_loss/len(dataset)
```

- 4.3 Use SGD to update the specific row(column) of

$P_{n\_users, K}$  and  $Q_{n\_item, K}$ ;

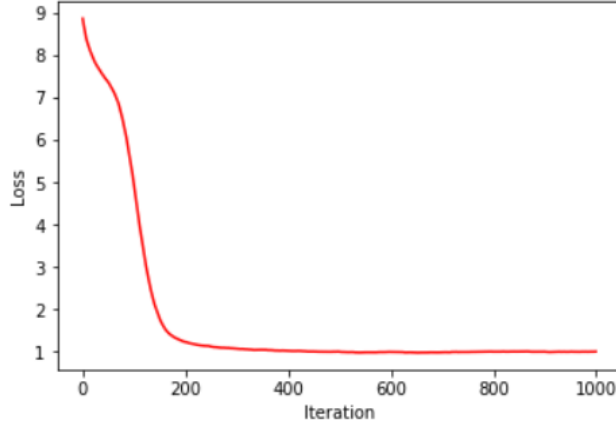
```
user_w -= learning_rate*user_gradient
movie_w -= learning_rate*movie_gradient
return user_w, movie_w
```

- 4.4 Calculate the  $L_{validation}$  on the validation set, comparing with the  $L_{validation}$  of the previous iteration to determine if it has converged.

```
loss_list = []
loss = compute_loss(user_w, movie_w, test)
loss_list.append(loss)
print(loss)
```

5. Repeat step 4. several times, get a satisfactory user factor

matrix  $P$  and an item factor matrix  $Q$ , Draw a  $L_{validation}$  curve with varying iterations.



6. The final score prediction matrix  $\hat{R}_{n\_users, n\_items}$  is obtained by multiplying the user factor matrix  $P_{n\_users, K}$  and the transpose of the item factor matrix  $Q_{n\_item, K}$ .

#### IV. CONCLUSION

From the  $L_{validation}$  curve with varying iterations, we can find that the minimum loss is appeared(0.98002206146) when the iteration is about 543.