CDS513 - Predictive Business Analytics

Recommender Systems (Collaborative Filtering)

This notebook is a practical introduction to the main Recommender System (RecSys) techniques. The objective of a RecSys is to recommend relevant items for users, based on their preference. Preference and relevance are subjective, and they are generally inferred by items users have consumed previously.

The main families of methods for RecSys are:

- Collaborative Filtering: This method makes automatic predictions (filtering) about the interests of a user by collecting preferences or taste information from many users (collaborating). The underlying assumption of the collaborative filtering approach is that if a person A has the same opinion as a person B on a set of items, A is more likely to have B's opinion for a given item than that of a randomly chosen person.
- Content-Based Filtering: This method uses only information about the description and attributes of the items users has previously consumed to model user's preferences. In other words, these algorithms try to recommend items that are similar to those that a user liked in the past (or is examining in the present). In particular, various candidate items are compared with items previously rated by the user and the best-matching items are recommended.
- Hybrid methods: Recent research has demonstrated that a hybrid approach, combining collaborative filtering and content-based filtering could be more effective than pure approaches in some cases. These methods can also be used to overcome some of the common problems in recommender systems such as cold start and the sparsity problem.

Collaborative Filtering (CF) has two main implementation strategies:

- Memory-based: This approach uses the memory of previous users interactions to compute users similarities based on items they've interacted (user-based approach) or compute items similarities based on the users that have interacted with them (item-based approach). A typical example of this approach is User Neighbourhood-based CF, in which the top-N similar users (usually computed using Pearson correlation) for a user are selected and used to recommend items those similar users liked, but the current user have not interacted yet. This approach is very simple to implement, but usually do not scale well for many users. A nice Python implementation of this approach in available in Crab (http://muricoca.github.io/crab/).
- Model-based: This approach, models are developed using different machine learning algorithms to recommend items to users. There are many model-based CF algorithms, like neural networks, bayesian networks, clustering models, and latent factor models such as Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) and, probabilistic latent semantic analysis.

Matrix Factorization

Latent factor models compress user-item matrix into a low-dimensional representation in terms of latent factors. One advantage of using this approach is that instead of having a high dimensional matrix containing abundant number of missing values we will be dealing with a much smaller matrix in lower-dimensional space.

A reduced presentation could be utilized for either user-based or item-based neighborhood algorithms that are presented in the previous section. There are several advantages with this paradigm. It handles the sparsity of the original matrix better than memory based ones. Also comparing similarity on the resulting matrix is much more scalable especially in dealing with large sparse datasets.

Here we a use popular latent factor model named Singular Value Decomposition (SVD). There are other matrix factorization frameworks more specific to CF you might try, like surprise (https://github.com/NicolasHug/Surprise), mrec (https://github.com/Mendeley/mrec) or python-recsys (https://github.com/ocelma/python-recsys). P.s. See an example of SVD on a movies dataset in this blog post (https://beckernick.github.io/matrixfactorization-recommender/).

An important decision is the number of factors to factor the user-item matrix. The higher the number of factors, the more precise is the factorization in the original matrix reconstructions. Therefore, if the model is allowed to memorize too much details of the original matrix, it may not generalize well for data it was not trained on. Reducing the number of factors increases the model generalization.

In this notebook, we use a dataset we've shared on Kaggle Datasets: Articles Sharing and Reading from CI&T Deskdrop (https://www.kaggle.com/gspmoreira/articles-sharing-reading-from-cit-deskdrop). We will demonstrate how to implement Collaborative Filtering, Content-Based Filtering and Hybrid methods in Python, for the task of providing personalized recommendations to the users.

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In [1]: import numpy as np
        import scipy
        import pandas as pd
        import math
        import random
        import sklearn
        from nltk.corpus import stopwords
        from scipy.sparse import csr matrix
        from sklearn.model selection import train_test_split
        from sklearn.feature extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
        from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine similarity
        from scipy.sparse.linalg import svds
        from sklearn.preprocessing import MinMaxScaler
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

Loading data: CI&T Deskdrop dataset

In this section, we load the Deskdrop dataset (https://www.kaggle.com/gspmoreira/articles-sharing-reading-from-cit-deskdrop), which contains a real sample of 12 months logs (Mar. 2016 - Feb. 2017) from CI&T's Internal Communication platform (DeskDrop). It contains about 73k logged users interactions on more than 3k public articles shared in the platform. It is composed of two CSV files:

shared_articles.csv

Contains information about the articles shared in the platform. Each article has its sharing date (timestamp), the original url, title, content in plain text, the article' lang (Portuguese: pt or English: en) and information about the user who shared the article (author).

There are two possible event types at a given timestamp:

- CONTENT SHARED: The article was shared in the platform and is available for users.
- CONTENT REMOVED: The article was removed from the platform and not available for further recommendation.

For the sake of simplicity, we only consider here the "CONTENT SHARED" event type, assuming (naively) that all articles were available during the whole one year period.

users interactions.csv

Contains logs of user interactions on shared articles. It can be joined to articles_shared.csv by contentId column.

The eventType values are:

- VIEW: The user has opened the article.
- LIKE: The user has liked the article.
- **COMMENT CREATED**: The user created a comment in the article.
- FOLLOW: The user chose to be notified on any new comment in the article.
- **BOOKMARK**: The user has bookmarked the article for easy return in the future.

Take a look in this kernels for a better picture of the dataset:

- · Deskdrop datasets EDA
- DeskDrop Articles Topic Modeling

```
In [2]: articles_df = pd.read_csv('input/shared_articles.csv')
    articles_df = articles_df[articles_df['eventType'] == 'CONTENT SHARED']
             articles_df.head(5)
```

Out[2]:

		timestamp	eventType	contentId	authorPersonId	authorSessionId	authorUserAgent	authorRegion	authorCountry	conte
-	1	1459193988	CONTENT SHARED	-4110354420726924665	4340306774493623681	8940341205206233829	NaN	NaN	NaN	
	2	1459194146	CONTENT SHARED	-7292285110016212249	4340306774493623681	8940341205206233829	NaN	NaN	NaN	
	3	1459194474	CONTENT SHARED	-6151852268067518688	3891637997717104548	-1457532940883382585	NaN	NaN	NaN	
	4	1459194497	CONTENT SHARED	2448026894306402386	4340306774493623681	8940341205206233829	NaN	NaN	NaN	
	5	1459194522	CONTENT SHARED	-2826566343807132236	4340306774493623681	8940341205206233829	NaN	NaN	NaN	

In [3]: interactions_df = pd.read_csv('input/users_interactions.csv') interactions_df.head(10)

Out[3]:

	timestamp	eventType	contentId	personId	sessionId	userAgent	userRegion	userCountry
0	1465413032	VIEW	-3499919498720038879	-8845298781299428018	1264196770339959068	NaN	NaN	NaN
1	1465412560	VIEW	8890720798209849691	-1032019229384696495	3621737643587579081	Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_11_2	NY	US
2	1465416190	VIEW	310515487419366995	-1130272294246983140	2631864456530402479	NaN	NaN	NaN
3	1465413895	FOLLOW	310515487419366995	344280948527967603	-3167637573980064150	NaN	NaN	NaN
4	1465412290	VIEW	-7820640624231356730	-445337111692715325	5611481178424124714	NaN	NaN	NaN
5	1465413742	VIEW	310515487419366995	-8763398617720485024	1395789369402380392	Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; WOW64) AppleWebK	MG	BR
6	1465415950	VIEW	-8864073373672512525	3609194402293569455	1143207167886864524	NaN	NaN	NaN
7	1465415066	VIEW	-1492913151930215984	4254153380739593270	8743229464706506141	Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64) AppleWebKit/53	SP	BR
8	1465413762	VIEW	310515487419366995	344280948527967603	-3167637573980064150	NaN	NaN	NaN
9	1465413771	VIEW	3064370296170038610	3609194402293569455	1143207167886864524	NaN	NaN	NaN

Data Pre-processing

As there are different interactions types, we associate them with a weight or strength, assuming that, for example, a comment in an article indicates a higher interest of the user on the item than a like, or than a simple view.

```
In [4]: event type strength = {
           'VIEW': 1.0,
           'LIKE': 2.0,
           'BOOKMARK': 2.5,
           'FOLLOW': 3.0,
           'COMMENT CREATED': 4.0,
        interactions df['eventStrength'] = interactions df['eventType'].apply(lambda x: event type strength[x])
```

Recommender systems have a problem known as *user cold-start*, in which is hard do provide personalized recommendations for users with none or a very few number of consumed items, due to the lack of information to model their preferences.

For this reason, we are keeping in the dataset only users with at leas 5 interactions.

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In [5]: users interactions count df = interactions df.groupby(['personId', 'contentId']).size().groupby('personId').size()
        print('# users: %d' % len(users interactions count df))
        users with enough interactions df = users interactions count df[users interactions count df \geq 5].reset index()[['person
        print('# users with at least 5 interactions: %d' % len(users_with_enough_interactions_df))
        # users: 1895
        # users with at least 5 interactions: 1140
In [6]: print('# of interactions: %d' % len(interactions df))
        interactions from selected users df = interactions df.merge(users with enough interactions df,
                       how = 'right',
                       left on = 'personId',
                       right on = 'personId')
        print('# of interactions from users with at least 5 interactions: %d' % len(interactions from selected users df))
        # of interactions: 72312
        # of interactions from users with at least 5 interactions: 69868
```

In Deskdrop, users are allowed to view an article many times, and interact with them in different ways (eg. like or comment). Thus, to model the user interest on a given article, we aggregate all the interactions the user has performed in an item by a weighted sum of interaction type strength and apply a log transformation to smooth the distribution.

```
In [7]: def smooth user preference(x):
            return math.log(1+x, 2)
        interactions full df = interactions from selected users df \
                            .groupby(['personId', 'contentId'])['eventStrength'].sum() \
                            .apply(smooth user preference).reset index()
        print('# of unique user/item interactions: %d' % len(interactions full df))
        interactions_full_df.head(10)
```

of unique user/item interactions: 39106

Out[7]:

	personId	contentId	eventStrength
0	-9223121837663643404	-8949113594875411859	1.000000
1	-9223121837663643404	-8377626164558006982	1.000000
2	-9223121837663643404	-8208801367848627943	1.000000
3	-9223121837663643404	-8187220755213888616	1.000000
4	-9223121837663643404	-7423191370472335463	3.169925
5	-9223121837663643404	-7331393944609614247	1.000000
6	-9223121837663643404	-6872546942144599345	1.000000
7	-9223121837663643404	-6728844082024523434	1.000000
8	-9223121837663643404	-6590819806697898649	1.000000
9	-9223121837663643404	-6558712014192834002	1.584963

Evaluation

Evaluation is important for machine learning projects, because it allows to compare objectivelly different algorithms and hyperparameter choices for models.

One key aspect of evaluation is to ensure that the trained model generalizes for data it was not trained on, using **Cross-validation** techniques. We are using here a simple cross-validation approach named **holdout**, in which a random data sample (20% in this case) are kept aside in the training process, and exclusively used for evaluation. All evaluation metrics reported here are computed using the test set.

Ps. A more robust evaluation approach could be to split train and test sets by a reference date, where the train set is composed by all interactions before that date, and the test set are interactions after that date. For the sake of simplicity, we chose the first random approach for this notebook, but you may want to try the second approach to better simulate how the recsys would perform in production predicting "future" users interactions.

```
In [8]: interactions train df, interactions test df = train test split(interactions full df,
                                            stratify=interactions full df['personId'],
                                           test size=0.20,
                                            random state=42)
        print('# interactions on Train set: %d' % len(interactions train df))
        print('# interactions on Test set: %d' % len(interactions test df))
        # interactions on Train set: 31284
```

In Recommender Systems, there are a set metrics commonly used for evaluation. We chose to work with **Top-N accuracy metrics**, which evaluates the accuracy of the top recommendations provided to a user, comparing to the items the user has actually interacted in test set.

· For each user

interactions on Test set: 7822

This evaluation method works as follows:

- For each item the user has interacted in test set
 - Sample 100 other items the user has never interacted. Ps. Here we naively assume those non interacted items are not relevant to the user, which might not be true, as the user may simply not be aware of those not interacted items. But let's keep this assumption.
 - Ask the recommender model to produce a ranked list of recommended items, from a set composed one interacted item and the 100 non-interacted ("non-relevant!) items
 - Compute the Top-N accuracy metrics for this user and interacted item from the recommendations ranked list
- Aggregate the global Top-N accuracy metrics

The Top-N accuracy metric choosen was **Recall@N** which evaluates whether the interacted item is among the top N items (hit) in the ranked list of 101 recommendations for a user.

Ps. Other popular ranking metrics are NDCG@N and MAP@N, whose score calculation takes into account the position of the relevant item in the ranked list (max. value if relevant item is in the first position). You can find a reference to implement this metrics in this post (http://fastml.com/evaluating-recommender-systems/).

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In [9]: #Indexing by personId to speed up the searches during evaluation
         interactions_full_indexed_df = interactions_full_df.set_index('personId')
         interactions_train_indexed_df = interactions_train_df.set_index('personId')
         interactions_test_indexed_df = interactions_test_df.set_index('personId')
In [10]: def get_items_interacted(person_id, interactions_df):
             # Get the user's data and merge in the movie information.
             interacted items = interactions df.loc[person id]['contentId']
             return set(interacted items if type(interacted items) == pd.Series else [interacted items])
```

```
In [11]: #Top-N accuracy metrics consts
         EVAL RANDOM SAMPLE NON INTERACTED ITEMS = 100
         class ModelEvaluator:
             def get not interacted items sample(self, person id, sample size, seed=42):
                 interacted items = get items interacted(person id, interactions full indexed df)
                 all items = set(articles df['contentId'])
                 non interacted items = all items - interacted items
                 random.seed(seed)
                 non interacted items sample = random.sample(non interacted items, sample size)
                 return set(non interacted items sample)
             def verify hit top n(self, item id, recommended items, topn):
                     try:
                         index = next(i for i, c in enumerate(recommended items) if c == item id)
                      except:
                          index = -1
                     hit = int(index in range(0, topn))
                     return hit, index
             def evaluate model for user(self, model, person id):
                 #Getting the items in test set
                 interacted values testset = interactions test indexed df.loc[person id]
                 if type(interacted values testset['contentId']) == pd.Series:
                     person interacted items testset = set(interacted values testset['contentId'])
                 else:
                     person_interacted_items_testset = set([int(interacted_values_testset['contentId'])])
                 interacted_items_count_testset = len(person interacted items testset)
                 #Getting a ranked recommendation list from a model for a given user
                 person recs df = model.recommend items(person id,
                                                         items to ignore=get items interacted(person id,
                                                                                               interactions train indexed df),
                                                         topn=10000000000)
                 hits at 5 \text{ count} = 0
                 hits at 10 \text{ count} = 0
                 #For each item the user has interacted in test set
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for item id in person interacted items testset:
        #Getting a random sample (100) items the user has not interacted
       #(to represent items that are assumed to be no relevant to the user)
        non interacted items sample = self.get not interacted items sample(person id,
                                                                      sample size=EVAL RANDOM_SAMPLE_NON_INTERACTED_
                                                                      seed=item id\%(2**32))
        #Combining the current interacted item with the 100 random items
       items to filter recs = non interacted items sample.union(set([item id]))
       #Filtering only recommendations that are either the interacted item or from a random sample of 100 non-interest
        valid recs df = person recs df[person recs df['contentId'].isin(items to filter recs)]
       valid recs = valid recs df['contentId'].values
       #Verifying if the current interacted item is among the Top-N recommended items
        hit at 5, index at 5 = self. verify hit top n(item id, valid recs, 5)
       hits at 5 count += hit at 5
       hit_at_10, index_at_10 = self._verify_hit_top_n(item_id, valid_recs, 10)
        hits at 10 count += hit at 10
    #Recall is the rate of the interacted items that are ranked among the Top-N recommended items,
   #when mixed with a set of non-relevant items
   recall at 5 = hits at 5 count / float(interacted_items_count_testset)
   recall at 10 = hits at 10 count / float(interacted items count testset)
    person metrics = {'hits@5 count':hits at 5 count,
                      'hits@10 count':hits_at_10_count,
                      'interacted count': interacted items count testset,
                      'recall@5': recall at 5,
                      'recall@10': recall at 10}
    return person metrics
def evaluate model(self, model):
   #print('Running evaluation for users')
    people metrics = []
   for idx, person id in enumerate(list(interactions test indexed df.index.unique().values)):
       #if idx \% 100 == 0 and idx > 0:
            print('%d users processed' % idx)
        person_metrics = self.evaluate_model_for_user(model, person_id)
        person metrics[' person id'] = person id
        people metrics.append(person metrics)
   print('%d users processed' % idx)
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detailed_results_df = pd.DataFrame(people_metrics) \
                            .sort values('interacted count', ascending=False)
        global_recall_at_5 = detailed_results_df['hits@5_count'].sum() / float(detailed_results_df['interacted_count'].sum()
        global recall at 10 = detailed results df['hits@10 count'].sum() / float(detailed results df['interacted count']
        global metrics = {'modelName': model.get model name(),
                          'recall@5': global recall at 5,
                          'recall@10': global recall at 10}
        return global_metrics, detailed_results_df
model evaluator = ModelEvaluator()
```

```
In [12]: #Creating a sparse pivot table with users in rows and items in columns
         users_items_pivot_matrix_df = interactions_train_df.pivot(index='personId',
                                                                   columns='contentId',
                                                                   values='eventStrength').fillna(0)
         users_items_pivot_matrix_df.head(10)
```

Out[12]:

contentId	-9222795471790223670	-9216926795620865886	-9194572880052200111	-9192549002213406534	-9190737901804729417	-918965905
personId						
-9223121837663643404	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	_
-9212075797126931087	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
-9207251133131336884	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
-9199575329909162940	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
-9196668942822132778	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
-9188188261933657343	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
-9172914609055320039	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
-9156344805277471150	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
-9120685872592674274	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
-9109785559521267180	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
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10 rows × 2926 columns

```
In [13]: users items pivot matrix = users items pivot matrix df.values
         users items pivot matrix[:10]
Out[13]: array([[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., \ldots, 0., 0., 0.]
                 [0., 0., 0., \ldots, 0., 0., 0.]
In [14]: users ids = list(users items pivot matrix df.index)
         users ids[:10]
Out[14]: [-9223121837663643404,
           -9212075797126931087,
           -9207251133131336884,
           -9199575329909162940,
           -9196668942822132778,
           -9188188261933657343,
           -9172914609055320039,
           -9156344805277471150,
           -9120685872592674274,
           -91097855595212671801
In [15]: | users_items_pivot_sparse_matrix = csr_matrix(users_items_pivot_matrix)
         users items pivot sparse matrix
Out[15]: <1140x2926 sparse matrix of type '<class 'numpy.float64'>'
                 with 31284 stored elements in Compressed Sparse Row format>
In [16]: #The number of factors to factor the user-item matrix.
         NUMBER OF FACTORS MF = 15
         #Performs matrix factorization of the original user item matrix
         \#U, sigma, Vt = svds(users\ items\ pivot\ matrix,\ k = NUMBER\ OF\ FACTORS\ MF)
         U, sigma, Vt = svds(users items pivot sparse matrix, k = NUMBER OF FACTORS MF)
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In [17]: U.shape
Out[17]: (1140, 15)
In [18]: Vt.shape
Out[18]: (15, 2926)
In [19]: | sigma = np.diag(sigma)
         sigma.shape
Out[19]: (15, 15)
```

After the factorization, we try to to reconstruct the original matrix by multiplying its factors. The resulting matrix is not sparse any more. It was generated predictions for items the user have not yet interaction, which we will exploit for recommendations.

```
In [20]: all user predicted ratings = np.dot(np.dot(U, sigma), Vt)
         all user predicted ratings
Out[20]: array([[ 0.01039915, 0.00081872, -0.01725263, ..., 0.00140708,
                  0.0110647 , 0.00226063],
                [-0.00019285, -0.00031318, -0.00264624, ..., 0.00251658,
                  0.00017609, -0.00189488],
                [-0.01254721, 0.0065947, -0.00590676, ..., 0.00698975,
                 -0.01015696, 0.01154572],
                [-0.02995379, 0.00805715, -0.01846307, ..., -0.01083078,
                 -0.00118591, 0.0096798 ],
                [-0.01845505, 0.00467019, 0.01219602, ..., 0.00409507,
                  0.00019482, -0.00752562],
                [-0.01506374, 0.00327732, 0.13391269, ..., -0.01191815,
                  0.06422074, 0.01303244]])
In [21]: all user predicted ratings norm = (all user predicted ratings - all user predicted ratings.min()) / (all user predicted
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In [22]: #Converting the reconstructed matrix back to a Pandas dataframe cf_preds_df = pd.DataFrame(all_user_predicted_ratings_norm, columns = users_items_pivot_matrix_df.columns, index=users_id cf_preds_df.head(10)

Out[22]:

	-9223121837663643404	-9212075797126931087	-9207251133131336884	-9199575329909162940	-9196668942822132778	-91881882€
contentId						
-9222795471790223670	0.139129	0.137930	0.136531	0.143948	0.136815	
-9216926795620865886	0.138044	0.137916	0.138698	0.137878	0.137969	
-9194572880052200111	0.135998	0.137652	0.137283	0.137536	0.140363	
-9192549002213406534	0.141924	0.137996	0.134663	0.137080	0.139946	
-9190737901804729417	0.140209	0.137408	0.138708	0.138672	0.137725	
-9189659052158407108	0.138932	0.138699	0.138117	0.137621	0.138920	
-9176143510534135851	0.143208	0.138673	0.139514	0.139114	0.137664	
-9172673334835262304	0.138527	0.138021	0.138274	0.137827	0.137997	
-9171475473795142532	0.140720	0.137865	0.138061	0.137633	0.138231	
-9166778629773133902	0.138989	0.137725	0.136520	0.137723	0.138559	
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In [23]: len(cf_preds_df.columns)

Out[23]: 1140

```
In [24]: class CFRecommender:
             MODEL NAME = 'Collaborative Filtering'
             def init (self, cf predictions df, items df=None):
                 self.cf predictions df = cf predictions df
                 self.items df = items df
             def get model name(self):
                 return self.MODEL NAME
             def recommend items(self, user_id, items_to_ignore=[], topn=10, verbose=False):
                 # Get and sort the user's predictions
                 sorted user predictions = self.cf predictions df[user id].sort values(ascending=False) \
                                             .reset index().rename(columns={user id: 'recStrength'})
                 # Recommend the highest predicted rating movies that the user hasn't seen yet.
                 recommendations df = sorted user predictions[~sorted user predictions['contentId'].isin(items to ignore)] \
                                         .sort values('recStrength', ascending = False) \
                                         .head(topn)
                 if verbose:
                     if self.items df is None:
                         raise Exception('"items df" is required in verbose mode')
                     recommendations df = recommendations df.merge(self.items df, how = 'left',
                                                                    left on = 'contentId',
                                                                    right on = 'contentId')[['recStrength', 'contentId', 'title',
                 return recommendations df
         cf recommender model = CFRecommender(cf_preds_df, articles_df)
```

Evaluating the Collaborative Filtering model (SVD matrix factorization), we observe that we got Recall@5 (33%) and Recall@10 (46%) values, much higher than Popularity model and Content-Based model.

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In [25]: print('Evaluating Collaborative Filtering (SVD Matrix Factorization) model...')
         cf global metrics, cf detailed results df = model evaluator.evaluate model(cf recommender model)
         print('\nGlobal metrics:\n%s' % cf global metrics)
         cf detailed results df.head(10)
         since Python 3.9 and will be removed in a subsequent version.
           non interacted items sample = random.sample(non interacted items, sample size)
         C:\Users\USER\AppData\Local\Temp/ipykernel 14192/3102219382.py:13: DeprecationWarning: Sampling from a set deprecated
         since Python 3.9 and will be removed in a subsequent version.
           non interacted items sample = random.sample(non interacted items, sample size)
         C:\Users\USER\AppData\Local\Temp/ipykernel 14192/3102219382.py:13: DeprecationWarning: Sampling from a set deprecated
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         since Python 3.9 and will be removed in a subsequent version.
           non interacted items sample = random.sample(non interacted items, sample size)
In [26]: def inspect interactions(person id, test set=True):
             if test set:
                 interactions df = interactions test indexed df
             else:
                 interactions df = interactions train indexed df
             return interactions df.loc[person id].merge(articles df, how = 'left',
                                                                left on = 'contentId',
                                                                right on = 'contentId') \
                                   .sort values('eventStrength', ascending = False)[['eventStrength',
                                                                                    'contentId',
                                                                                    'title', 'url', 'lang']]
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In [27]: inspect_interactions(-1479311724257856983, test_set=False).head(20)

Out[27]:

	eventStrength	contentId	title	url	lang
115	4.285402	7342707578347442862	At eBay, Machine Learning is Driving Innovativ	https://www.ebayinc.com/stories/news/at-ebay-m	en
38	4.129283	621816023396605502	Al Is Here to Help You Write Emails People Wil	http://www.wired.com/2016/08/boomerang-using-a	en
8	4.044394	-4460374799273064357	Deep Learning for Chatbots, Part 1 - Introduction	http://www.wildml.com/2016/04/deep-learning-fo	en
116	3.954196	-7959318068735027467	Auto-scaling scikit-learn with Spark	https://databricks.com/blog/2016/02/08/auto-sc	en
10	3.906891	2589533162305407436	6 reasons why I like KeystoneML	http://radar.oreilly.com/2015/07/6-reasons-why	en
28	3.700440	5258604889412591249	Machine Learning Is No Longer Just for Experts	https://hbr.org/2016/10/machine-learning-is-no	en
6	3.700440	-398780385766545248	10 Stats About Artificial Intelligence That Wi	http://www.fool.com/investing/2016/06/19/10-st	en
113	3.643856	-6467708104873171151	5 reasons your employees aren't sharing their	http://justcuriousblog.com/2016/04/5-reasons-y	en
42	3.523562	-4944551138301474550	Algorithms and architecture for job recommenda	https://www.oreilly.com/ideas/algorithms-and-a	en
43	3.459432	-8377626164558006982	Bad Writing Is Destroying Your Company's Produ	https://hbr.org/2016/09/bad-writing-is-destroy	en
41	3.459432	444378495316508239	How to choose algorithms for Microsoft Azure M	https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/documentatio	en
3	3.321928	2468005329717107277	How Netflix does A/B Testing - uxdesign.cc - U	https://uxdesign.cc/how-netflix-does-a-b-testi	en
101	3.321928	-8085935119790093311	Graph Capabilities with the Elastic Stack	https://www.elastic.co/webinars/sneak-peek-of	en
107	3.169925	-1429167743746492970	Building with Watson Technical Web Series	https://www-304.ibm.com/partnerworld/wps/servl	pt
16	3.169925	6340108943344143104	Text summarization with TensorFlow	https://research.googleblog.com/2016/08/text-s	en
49	3.169925	1525777409079968377	Probabilistic Programming	http://probabilistic-programming.org/wiki/Home	en
44	3.169925	-5756697018315640725	Being A Developer After 40 - Free Code Camp	https://medium.freecodecamp.com/being-a-develo	en
97	3.087463	2623290164732957912	Creative Applications of Deep Learning with Te	https://www.kadenze.com/courses/creative-appli	en
32	3.000000	279771472506428952	5 Unique Features Of Google Compute Engine Tha	http://www.forbes.com/sites/janakirammsv/2016/	en
78	2.906891	-3920124114454832425	Worldwide Ops in Minutes with DataStax & Cloud	http://www.datastax.com/2016/01/datastax-enter	en

The recommendations really matches my interests, as I would read all of them!

In [28]: cf_recommender_model.recommend_items(-1479311724257856983, topn=20, verbose=True)

Out[28]:

	recStrength	contentId	title	url	lang
0	0.253699	-8085935119790093311	Graph Capabilities with the Elastic Stack	https://www.elastic.co/webinars/sneak-peek-of	en
1	0.249513	3269302169678465882	The barbell effect of machine learning.	http://techcrunch.com/2016/06/02/the-barbell-e	en
2	0.244934	1005751836898964351	Seria Stranger Things uma obra de arte do algo	https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/seria-stranger	pt
3	0.243621	-6727357771678896471	This Super Accurate Portrait Selection Tech Us	http://petapixel.com/2016/06/29/super-accurate	en
4	0.241284	-8377626164558006982	Bad Writing Is Destroying Your Company's Produ	https://hbr.org/2016/09/bad-writing-is-destroy	en
5	0.238590	-8190931845319543363	Machine Learning Is At The Very Peak Of Its Hy	https://arc.applause.com/2016/08/17/gartner-hy	en
6	0.238028	7395435905985567130	The AI business landscape	https://www.oreilly.com/ideas/the-ai-business	en
7	0.235925	-5253644367331262405	Hello, TensorFlow!	https://www.oreilly.com/learning/hello-tensorflow	en
8	0.235208	1549650080907932816	Spark comparison: AWS vs. GCP	https://www.oreilly.com/ideas/spark-comparison	en
9	0.234303	5092635400707338872	Power to the People: How One Unknown Group of \dots	https://medium.com/@atduskgreg/power-to-the-pe	en
10	0.231808	621816023396605502	Al Is Here to Help You Write Emails People Wil	http://www.wired.com/2016/08/boomerang-using-a	en
11	0.231013	882422233694040097	Infográfico: Algoritmos para Aprendizado de Má	https://www.infoq.com/br/news/2016/07/infograf	pt
12	0.229016	-1901742495252324928	Designing smart notifications	https://medium.com/@intercom/designing-smart-n	en
13	0.224535	2468005329717107277	How Netflix does A/B Testing - uxdesign.cc - U	https://uxdesign.cc/how-netflix-does-a-b-testi	en
14	0.223117	-8771338872124599367	Funcionários do mês no CoolHow: os Slackbots	https://medium.com/coolhow-creative-lab/funcio	pt
15	0.221401	-4944551138301474550	Algorithms and architecture for job recommenda	https://www.oreilly.com/ideas/algorithms-and-a	en
16	0.221333	-5756697018315640725	Being A Developer After 40 - Free Code Camp	https://medium.freecodecamp.com/being-a-develo	en
17	0.220003	1954074927376897165	Swarm A.I. Correctly Predicts the Kentucky Der	http://finance.yahoo.com/news/swarm-correctly	en
18	0.219390	1415230502586719648	Machine Learning Is Redefining The Enterprise	http://www.forbes.com/sites/louiscolumbus/2016	en
19	0.218812	-5027816744653977347	Apple acquires Turi, a machine learning company	https://techcrunch.com/2016/08/05/apple-acquir	en
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