

Oct 20<sup>th</sup>

## RECOMMENDER SYSTEMS

(user, user) similarity measure

(item, item) similarity measure

PROS  
no training  
inhibitive

CONS  
users rate differently [BIAS]  
rating change over time

## DISCOVER BEST FEATURES IN AUTOMATED WAY

CONTENT BASED - assume you have feat. for movies - want to learn feat. for users

## COLLABORATIVE FILTERING

### CONTENT BASED

feature to movie similarity.

note: if we had user-to-feature \* feature-to-movie = user to movie =  $c_{ij}$

$$p^{(u)} = \arg \min_P \frac{1}{\|M(u)\|} \sum_{i \in M(u)} (P^T Q^{(i)} - r_{ij})^2 + \underbrace{\lambda \|P\|^2}_{\text{regularization} \rightarrow \text{penalty on the size of the param } P}$$

### COLLABORATIVE FILTERING

can we learn  $P, Q$

$$R = PQ$$

CANT. USE SVD SINCE ITS SPARSE

$$\min_{P, Q} \sum_{i, j \in R} (r_{ij} - P_i^T Q_j)^2 + \lambda (\|P\|_F^2 + \|Q\|_F^2)$$

1. Start w/ random  $Q$ .

2. Get  $P$ .

3. Improve  $Q$ .

4. Repeat 2, 3.

} use em  
algo for  
GMM

## LINEAR REGRESSION

given  $n$  samples, predict how  $y$  changes as a function of  $x$  [find  $y = h(x)$ ]

(here  $h(x_i)$  to  $y_i$  to get a metric of accuracy.

$$\mathcal{L}(h) = \sum_i d(h(x_i), y_i) \quad \text{COST/LOSS FUNC.}$$

if it went through every point we would overfit and do poorly on unseen data.  
CONSTRAIN THE SPACE OF THE FUNC WE LOOK FOR

GOAL: find  $h$  that maximizes probability of having observed  $y$ .

$$\text{MINIMIZE } \mathcal{L}(h) = \sum_i d(h(x_i), y_i)$$

$$\text{MAXIMIZE } \mathcal{L}(h) = P(y|h)$$

make assumptions:

assume linear func plus noise generated data  $\hat{y} = h_\beta(X) + \tilde{e}$  note:  $h$  is linear in  $\beta$ .

assume it is not deterministic [so THERE IS NOISE].  $\tilde{e} \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

### LEAST SQUARES

$$\beta_{LS} = \arg \min_{\beta} \sum_i d(h_\beta(x_i), y_i) = \arg \min_{\beta} \|\hat{y} - \beta X\|_2^2 = \beta_{LS}$$

### MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD

since  $\tilde{e} \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $y = X\beta + \tilde{e}$  then  $y \sim N(X\beta, \sigma^2)$

$$\beta_{LS} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

$\beta_{LS}$  UNBIASED ESTIMATOR OF TRUE  $\beta$  THAT IS  $E[\beta_{LS}] = \beta$