

# CS246 Homework 3 Answers

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## 1 Question 1 – Latent Features for Recommendations

### 1.1 (a)

$$\epsilon_{iu} = r_{iu} - q_i \cdot p_u^T$$

$$q_i \leftarrow q_i + \eta(\epsilon_{iu} p_u - \lambda q_i)$$

$$p_u \leftarrow p_u + \eta(\epsilon_{iu} q_i - \lambda p_u)$$

Where  $\eta$  is the learning rate.

## 1.2 (b)

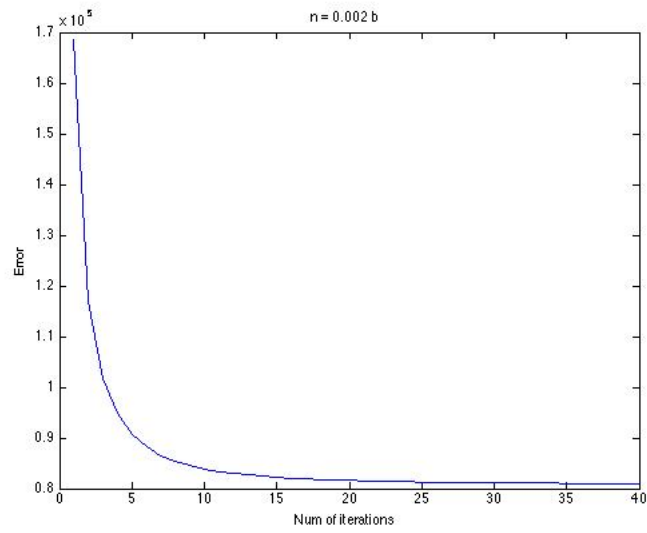


Figure 1: Error in first 40 iterations with  $\eta = 0.002$ :

### 1.3 (c)

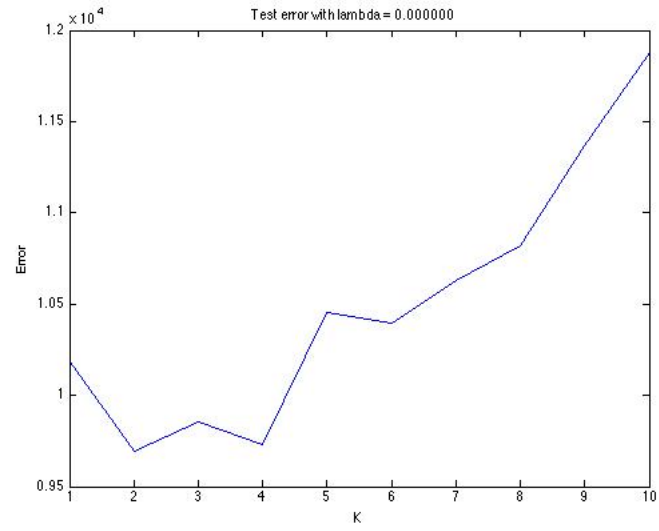


Figure 2:  $E_{te}$  as of K with  $\lambda = 0.0$ :

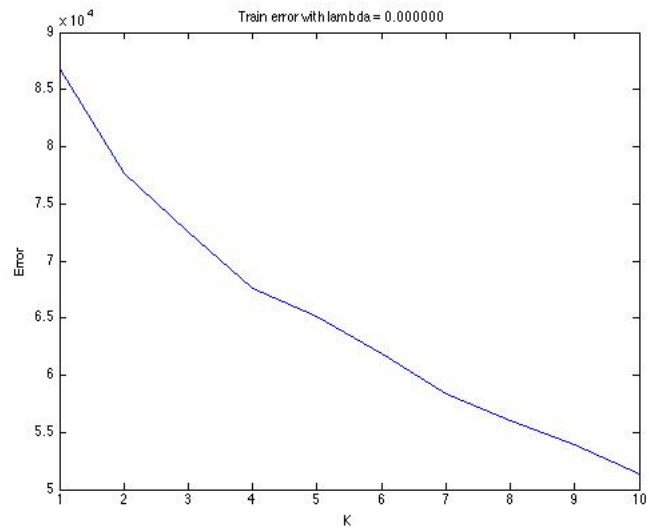


Figure 3:  $E_{tr}$  as of K with  $\lambda = 0.0$ :

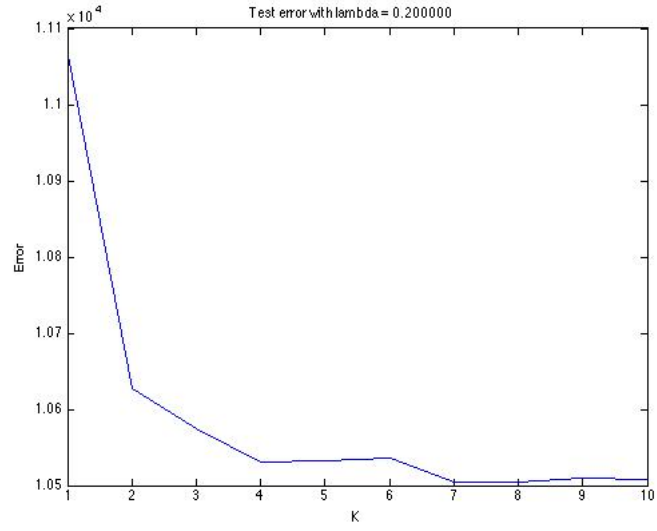


Figure 4:  $E_{te}$  as of K with  $\lambda = 0.2$ :

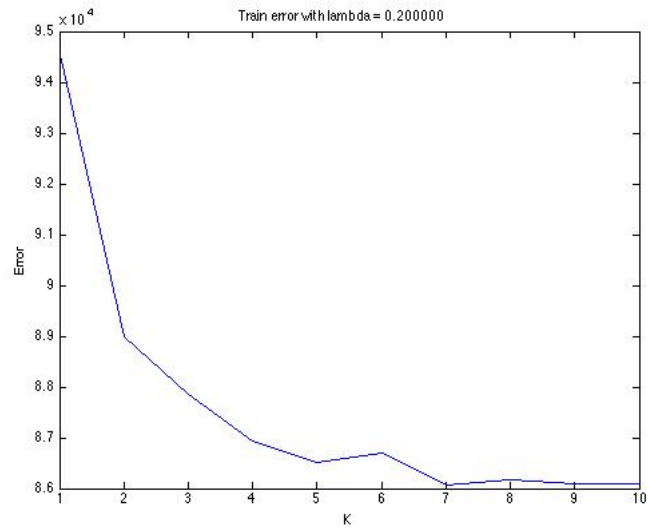


Figure 5:  $E_{tr}$  as of K with  $\lambda = 0.2$ :

True statements are: **B, D, H**

## 1.4 (d)

Update model as:

$$R_{iu} = \mu + b_u + b_i + q_i \cdot p_u^T$$

And plot the following:

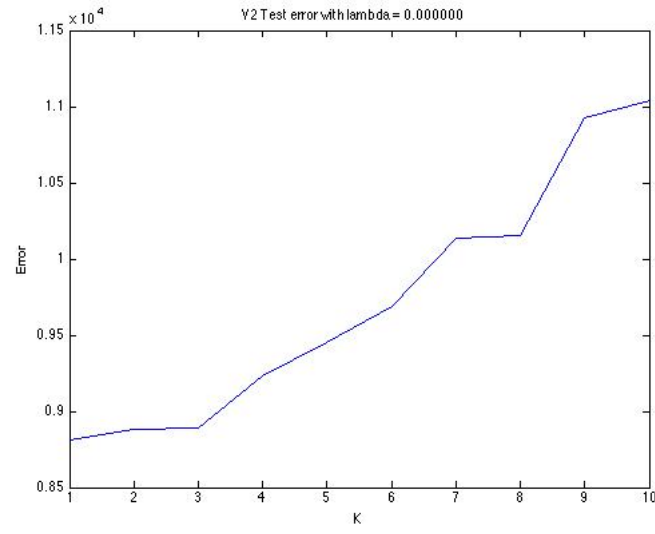


Figure 6:  $E_{te}$  as of K with  $\lambda = 0.0$ :

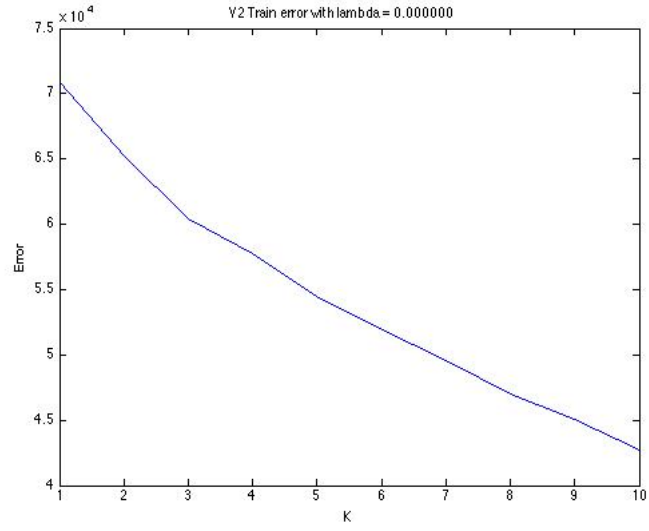


Figure 7:  $E_{tr}$  as of K with  $\lambda = 0.0$ :

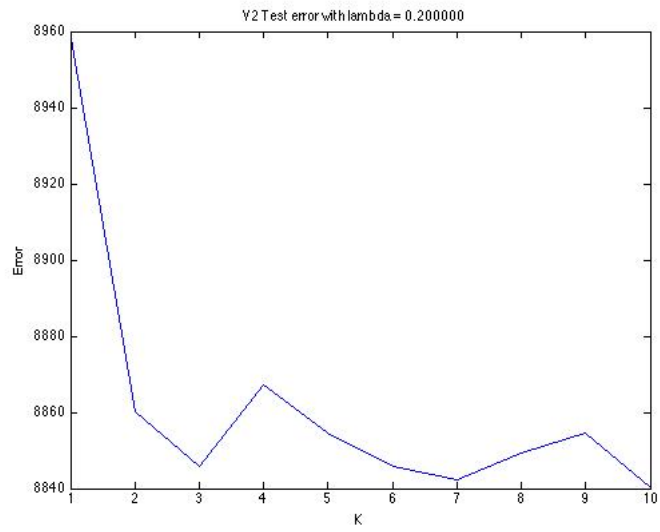


Figure 8:  $E_{te}$  as of K with  $\lambda = 0.2$ :

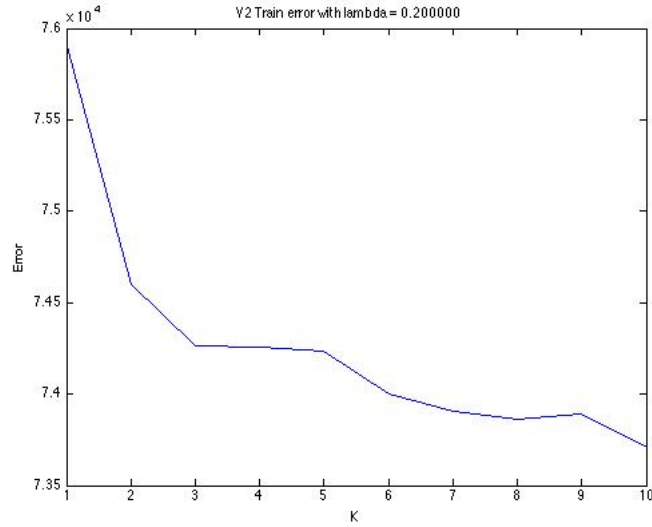


Figure 9:  $E_{tr}$  as of K with  $\lambda = 0.2$ :

## 2 Question 2 – PageRank Computation

### 2.1 (a)

$$r - r^{(k)} = \beta M r - \beta M r^{(k-1)}$$

$$= \beta M (r - r^{(k-1)})$$

$$= \beta^2 M^2 (r - r^{(k-2)})$$

$$= \dots$$

$$= \beta^k M^k (r - r^{(0)})$$

$$M \text{ is stochastic, } \|M^k r\|_1 \leq 1, \|M^k r^{(0)}\|_1 \leq 1$$

$$\text{So } \|r - r^{(k)}\|_1 \leq \|\beta^k M^k r\|_1 + \|\beta^k M^k r^{(0)}\|_1 \leq 2\beta^k$$

## 2.2 (b)

Let  $I$  be the number of iterations.

$$\|r - r^{(I)}\|_1 \leq 2\beta^I \leq \delta$$

$I \geq \log_{\beta}(\delta/2) = \frac{\log(2/\delta)}{\log(1/\beta)}$  We need iterate through every edge one time for each

iteration. So total running time is:

$$Im = m \frac{\log(2/\delta)}{\log(1/\beta)} = O\left(\frac{m}{\log(1/\beta)}\right)$$

## 2.3 (c)

Let  $c_j$  be the total number of visits at node  $j$ , Then  $r_j = c_j \frac{1-\beta}{nR}$

Based on the algorithm, we have:  $E[c_j] = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \beta \frac{E[c_i]}{\deg(i)} + R$

$$\text{So, } E[\tilde{r}_j] = E[c_j] \frac{1-\beta}{nR} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \beta \frac{E[c_i] \frac{1-\beta}{nR}}{\deg(i)} + \frac{1-\beta}{n}$$

$$= \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \beta \frac{E[c_i \frac{1-\beta}{nR}]}{\deg(i)} + \frac{1-\beta}{n}$$

$$= \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \beta \frac{E[\tilde{r}_i]}{\deg(i)} + \frac{1-\beta}{n}$$

Which can be re-written as:  $E[\tilde{r}_j] = \frac{1-\beta}{n} \mathbf{1}^T + \beta M E[\tilde{r}_j]$

We also have:  $r_j = \frac{1-\beta}{n} \mathbf{1}^T + \beta M r_j$

So  $E[\tilde{r}_j] = r_j$

## 2.4 (d)

Expected run time of one random walker  $E[w] = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i(1-\beta)\beta^{i-1} = \frac{1}{1-\beta}$

Expected running time of MC algorithm is:  $E[w] \cdot nR = \frac{nR}{1-\beta}$

## 2.5 (d)

Power Iteration CPU time(40 Iterations): 13.341 ms

MC Algorithm with  $R=1$ ,

CPU time: 0.701 ms



Average errors at Top 10, 30, 50, 100:

0.0105159730738 0.00633750065262 0.00494344355183 0.003379381387

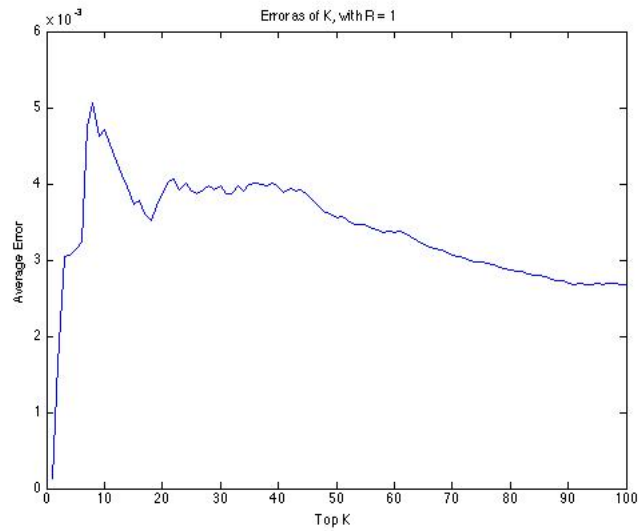


Figure 10: Error at Top K, R = 1

MC Algorithm with R=3,

CPU time: 1.800 ms

Average errors at Top 10, 30, 50, 100:

0.0037870724757 0.00257129081513 0.00236735885639 0.00172362198745

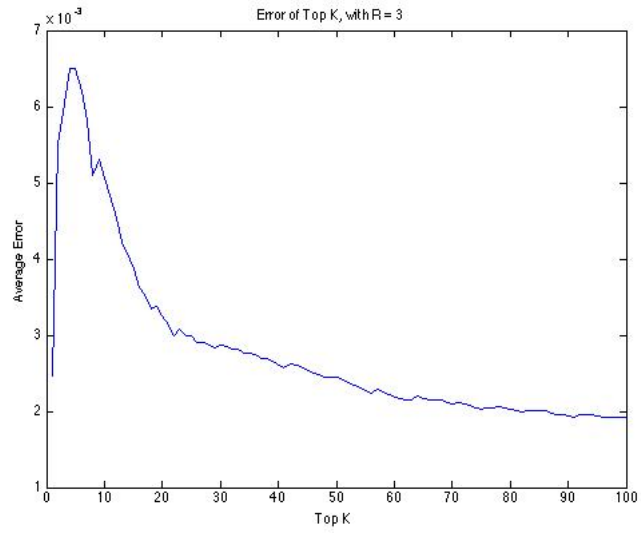


Figure 11: Error at Top K,  $R = 3$

MC Algorithm with  $R=5$ ,

CPU time: 2.577 ms

Average errors at Top 10, 30, 50, 100:

0.00179317662526 0.00178955763098 0.00148395219055 0.00119068364523

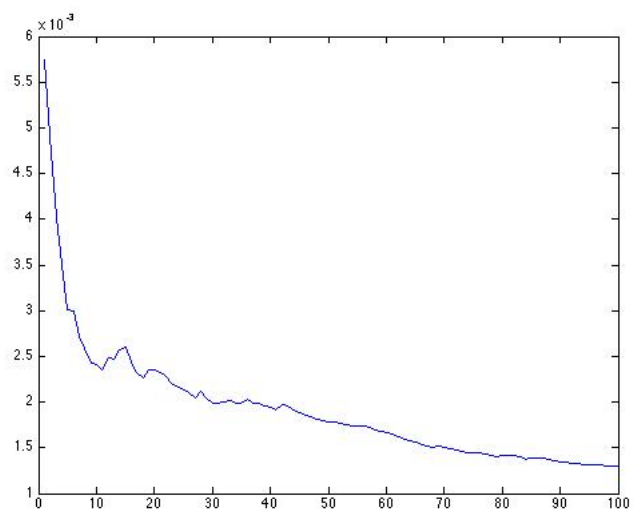


Figure 12: Error at Top K,  $R = 5$