MovieLens_RecommendationSystem

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Introduction and Project Outline

Recommender Systems are systems that give recommendations to the user based on ratings available. It requires large amount of data set which is filtered, processed and trained. It looks at the different features available in the data look at the usage to make suggestions. There are different algorithms that can be used for building recommender Systems. 1) Collaborative Filtering, it is of 2 types a) Item Based b) User Based. 2) Content Based 3) Classification Model. In each outcome there are different set of predictors.

Project Problem- This is a Movie Lens Project to build a movie recommender system using the dataset provided in the assignment. This will require to train the data with different algorithms and compare the accuracy of the algorithm against the validation set. Following steps are taken to build a recommender system.

- 1) Load Data
- 2) Explore and Visualize data
- 3) Prepare Data.
- 4) Evaluate Algorithms.
- 5) Make Predictions and Present Results.

Load Data

Load Data and Install Library Packages

Using the script provided in the course Download data set Install necessary library packages Create edx Data Set and Validation Set (final hold-out test set)

Note: this process could take a couple of minutes

```
if(!require(tidyverse)) install.packages("tidyverse", repos = "http://cran.us.r-project.org")
if(!require(caret)) install.packages("caret", repos = "http://cran.us.r-project.org")
if(!require(data.table)) install.packages("data.table", repos = "http://cran.us.r-project.org")
library(tidyverse)
library(caret)
library(data.table)

### MovieLens 10M dataset:
### https://grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/10m/
### http://files.grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/ml-10m.zip
```

```
dl <- tempfile()</pre>
download.file("http://files.grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/ml-10m.zip", dl)
ratings <- fread(text = gsub("::", "\t", readLines(unzip(dl, "ml-10M100K/ratings.dat"))),</pre>
                 col.names = c("userId", "movieId", "rating", "timestamp"))
movies <- str_split_fixed(readLines(unzip(dl, "ml-10M100K/movies.dat")), "\\::", 3)</pre>
colnames(movies) <- c("movieId", "title", "genres")</pre>
##### if using R 3.6 or earlier:
movies <- as.data.frame(movies) %>% mutate(movieId = as.numeric(levels(movieId))[movieId],
                                             title = as.character(title),
                                             genres = as.character(genres))
#### if using R 4.0 or later:
movies <- as.data.frame(movies) %>% mutate(movieId = as.numeric(movieId),
                                             title = as.character(title),
                                             genres = as.character(genres))
movielens <- left_join(ratings, movies, by = "movieId")</pre>
### Validation set will be 10% of MovieLens data
set.seed(1, sample.kind="Rounding") # if using R 3.5 or earlier, use 'set.seed(1)'
test_index <- createDataPartition(y = movielens$rating, times = 1, p = 0.1, list = FALSE)
edx <- movielens[-test index,]</pre>
temp <- movielens[test_index,]</pre>
### Make sure userId and movieId in validation set are also in edx set
validation <- temp %>%
 semi_join(edx, by = "movieId") %>%
  semi_join(edx, by = "userId")
### Add rows removed from validation set back into edx set
removed <- anti_join(temp, validation)</pre>
edx <- rbind(edx, removed)</pre>
rm(dl, ratings, movies, test_index, temp, movielens, removed)
```

Prepare Data

Create training and test sets to assess the accuracy of the models.

90 percent of edx data will be training and 10% will be test data set

```
set.seed(1, sample.kind="Rounding")
test_index <- createDataPartition(y = edx$rating, times = 1, p = 0.1, list = FALSE)
train_set <- edx[-test_index,]
temp <- edx[test_index,]
## Make sure userId and movieId in test set are also in train set</pre>
```

```
test_set <- temp %>%
  semi_join(train_set, by = "movieId") %>%
  semi_join(train_set, by = "userId")

## Add rows removed from test set back into train set
removed <- anti_join(temp, test_set)
train_set <- rbind(train_set, removed)

rm(test_index, temp, removed)</pre>
```

Explore Data

In order to build model we first need to look at the data.

Dimensions of the data set

Lets find out the total number of columns and rows in the edx data set.

```
dim(edx)
## [1] 9000055 6
```

Peek at the first 5 rows of the data

We peek at the dataset and find that the column names in the dataset are:

UserId, movieId, Rating, Timestamp, Title and Genre.

```
head(edx)
```

```
##
      userId movieId rating timestamp
                                                                  title
## 1:
           1
                  122
                           5 838985046
                                                      Boomerang (1992)
## 2:
           1
                  185
                            5 838983525
                                                        Net, The (1995)
## 3:
           1
                  292
                           5 838983421
                                                        Outbreak (1995)
## 4:
           1
                  316
                            5 838983392
                                                        Stargate (1994)
                  329
## 5:
           1
                            5 838983392 Star Trek: Generations (1994)
## 6:
                  355
                            5 838984474
                                               Flintstones, The (1994)
##
                               genres
## 1:
                      Comedy | Romance
## 2:
               Action|Crime|Thriller
## 3: Action|Drama|Sci-Fi|Thriller
## 4:
             Action | Adventure | Sci-Fi
## 5: Action | Adventure | Drama | Sci-Fi
## 6:
             Children | Comedy | Fantasy
```

Summarize edx data

```
summary(edx)
```

```
##
       userId
                      movieId
                                      rating
                                                    timestamp
##
                                                  Min. :7.897e+08
   Min.
         :
               1
                   Min.
                        :
                              1
                                  Min.
                                        :0.500
   1st Qu.:18124
                   1st Qu.: 648
                                  1st Qu.:3.000
                                                  1st Qu.:9.468e+08
## Median :35738
                   Median: 1834
                                  Median :4.000
                                                  Median :1.035e+09
## Mean
          :35870
                   Mean
                         : 4122
                                  Mean
                                         :3.512
                                                  Mean
                                                         :1.033e+09
                                  3rd Qu.:4.000
## 3rd Qu.:53607
                   3rd Qu.: 3626
                                                  3rd Qu.:1.127e+09
## Max.
          :71567
                   Max.
                         :65133
                                  Max.
                                         :5.000
                                                         :1.231e+09
                                                  Max.
##
      title
                         genres
## Length:9000055
                     Length:9000055
## Class :character
                      Class : character
  Mode :character Mode :character
##
##
##
##
```

Genres

The data set contains 797 different combinations of genres. Here is the list of the first six.

```
edx_genres <- edx %>% group_by(genres) %>%
  summarise(n=n()) %>%
  head()
edx_genres
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 2
##
     genres
                                                              n
##
     <chr>
                                                          <int>
## 1 (no genres listed)
## 2 Action
                                                          24482
## 3 Action|Adventure
                                                          68688
## 4 Action|Adventure|Animation|Children|Comedy
                                                           7467
## 5 Action|Adventure|Animation|Children|Comedy|Fantasy
                                                            187
## 6 Action|Adventure|Animation|Children|Comedy|IMAX
                                                             66
```

Ratings

##

1

<dbl>

0.5

<int>

85374

```
edx_ratings <- edx %>% group_by(rating) %>% summarize(n=n())
edx_ratings

## # A tibble: 10 x 2
## rating n
```

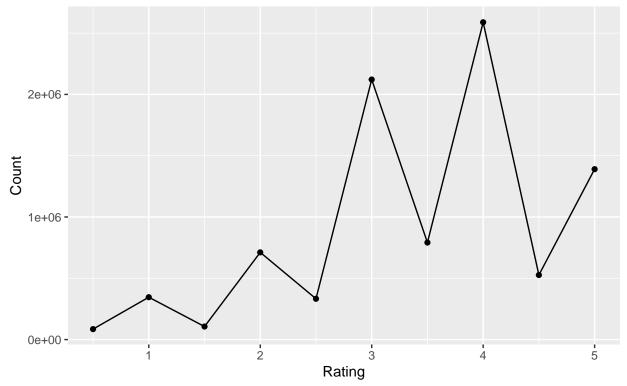
```
##
          1
               345679
##
    3
          1.5
               106426
          2
               711422
          2.5
               333010
##
    5
##
    6
          3
              2121240
    7
          3.5
               791624
##
##
          4
              2588430
    9
          4.5
##
              526736
## 10
          5
              1390114
```

Visualize Data

```
edx %>% group_by(rating) %>%
  summarise(count=n()) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x=rating, y=count)) +
  geom_line() +
  geom_point() +
  ggtitle("Rating Distribution", subtitle = "Higher ratings are prevalent.") +
  xlab("Rating") +
  ylab("Count")
```

Rating Distribution

Higher ratings are prevalent.



Evaluate Algorithms ## Loss Function It is a means to evaluate how specific algorithm behaves for a given data. If predictions deviates too much from actual results, loss function R will be a very large number. Optimization function help to reduce the error in prediction.

Define Mean Absolute Error (MAE)

Mean absolute error, is the average of sum of absolute differences between predictions and actual observations.

```
MAE <- function(true_ratings, predicted_ratings){
  mean(abs(true_ratings - predicted_ratings))
}</pre>
```

Define Mean Squared Error (MSE)

Mean square error is the average of squared difference between predictions and actual observations.

```
MSE <- function(true_ratings, predicted_ratings){
  mean((true_ratings - predicted_ratings)^2)
}</pre>
```

Define Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)

```
RMSE <- function(true_ratings, predicted_ratings){
    sqrt(mean((true_ratings - predicted_ratings)^2))
}</pre>
```

Simple Assumption Based Model

Model assumes same ratings for all users. If we predict all unknown ratings with mu_i we obtain the following RMSE:

```
mu_hat <- mean(train_set$rating)
mu_hat

## [1] 3.512456

naive_rmse <- RMSE(test_set$rating, mu_hat)
naive_rmse

## [1] 1.060054

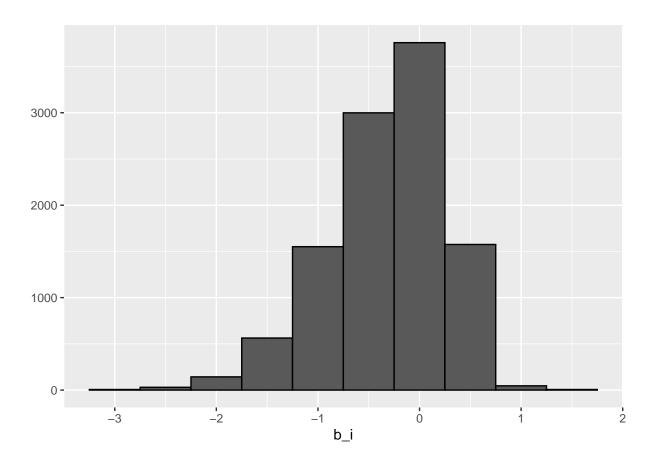
rmse_results <- tibble(method = "Just the average", RMSE = naive_rmse)</pre>
```

Including Movie Effect to the model

Augment our previous model by adding the term b_i to represent average ranking for movie

```
mu <- mean(train_set$rating)
movie_avgs <- train_set %>%
   group_by(movieId) %>%
   summarize(b_i = mean(rating - mu))

qplot(b_i, data = movie_avgs, bins = 10, color = I("black"))
```

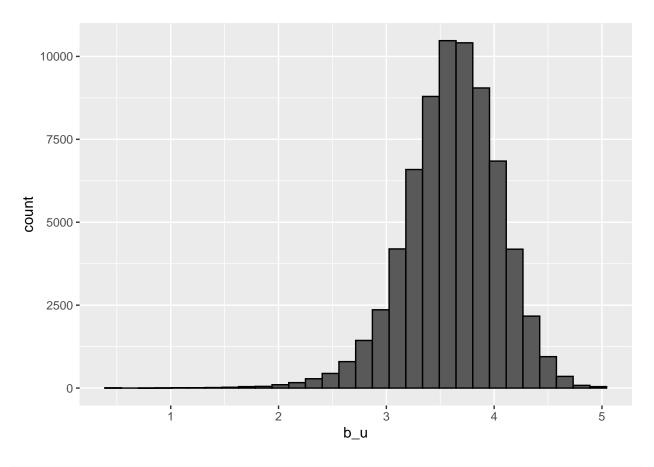


```
predicted_ratings <- mu + test_set %%
  left_join(movie_avgs, by='movieId') %>%
  pull(b_i)
RMSE(predicted_ratings, test_set$rating)
```

[1] 0.9429615

Including User Effect

```
train_set %>%
  group_by(userId) %>%
  summarize(b_u = mean(rating)) %>%
  filter(n()>=100) %>%
  ggplot(aes(b_u)) +
  geom_histogram(bins = 30, color = "black")
```



```
user_avgs <- train_set %>%
  left_join(movie_avgs, by='movieId') %>%
  group_by(userId) %>%
  summarize(b_u = mean(rating - mu - b_i))

predicted_ratings <- test_set %>%
  left_join(movie_avgs, by='movieId') %>%
  left_join(user_avgs, by='userId') %>%
  mutate(pred = mu + b_i + b_u) %>%
  pull(pred)

RMSE(predicted_ratings, test_set$rating)
```

[1] 0.8646843

Regularization

A technique to solve over fitting.

User and Movie effects are regularized adding a penalty factor lambda, which is a tuning parameter. We define a ### number of values for lambda and use the regularization function to pick the best value that minimizes the RMSE.

```
test_set %>%
  left_join(movie_avgs, by='movieId') %>%
  mutate(residual = rating - (mu + b_i)) %>%
  arrange(desc(abs(residual))) %>%
  slice(1:10) %>%
  pull(title)
## [1] "From Justin to Kelly (2003)"
                                           "Shawshank Redemption, The (1994)"
## [3] "Shawshank Redemption, The (1994)" "Godfather, The (1972)"
## [5] "Godfather, The (1972)"
                                          "Godfather, The (1972)"
## [7] "Godfather, The (1972)"
                                           "Usual Suspects, The (1995)"
                                           "Schindler's List (1993)"
## [9] "Schindler's List (1993)"
movie_titles <- train_set %>%
  select(movieId, title) %>%
  distinct()
movie_avgs %>% left_join(movie_titles, by="movieId") %>%
  arrange(b_i) %>%
  slice(1:10) %>%
 pull(title)
## [1] "Besotted (2001)"
## [2] "Hi-Line, The (1999)"
## [3] "Accused (Anklaget) (2005)"
## [4] "Confessions of a Superhero (2007)"
## [5] "War of the Worlds 2: The Next Wave (2008)"
## [6] "SuperBabies: Baby Geniuses 2 (2004)"
## [7] "Disaster Movie (2008)"
## [8] "From Justin to Kelly (2003)"
## [9] "Hip Hop Witch, Da (2000)"
## [10] "Criminals (1996)"
train_set %>% count(movieId) %>%
  left_join(movie_avgs, by="movieId") %>%
  left_join(movie_titles, by="movieId") %>%
  arrange(desc(b_i)) %>%
  slice(1:10) %>%
  pull(n)
## [1] 1 1 1 1 1 1 4 2 4 4
train_set %>% count(movieId) %>%
  left_join(movie_avgs) %>%
  left_join(movie_titles, by="movieId") %>%
  arrange(b_i) %>%
  slice(1:10) %>%
  pull(n)
```

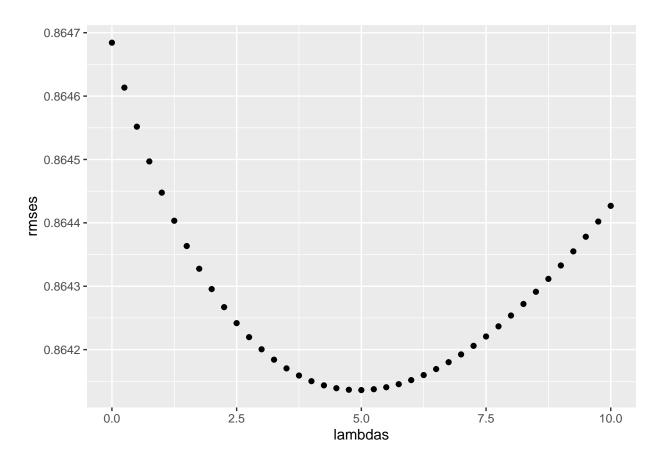
2 47 30 183 11 1

[1] 1 1 1 1

Lambda - a tuning parameter

```
lambdas <- seq(0, 10, 0.25)
rmses <- sapply(lambdas, function(1){</pre>
  mu <- mean(train_set$rating)</pre>
  b_i <- train_set %>%
    group_by(movieId) %>%
    summarize(b_i = sum(rating - mu)/(n()+1))
  b_u <- train_set %>%
    left_join(b_i, by="movieId") %>%
    group_by(userId) %>%
    summarize(b_u = sum(rating - b_i - mu)/(n()+1))
  predicted_ratings <-</pre>
    test_set %>%
    left_join(b_i, by = "movieId") %>%
    left_join(b_u, by = "userId") %>%
    mutate(pred = mu + b_i + b_u) %>%
    pull(pred)
    return(RMSE(predicted_ratings, test_set$rating))
})
```

```
qplot(lambdas, rmses)
```



min(rmses)

[1] 0.8641362

Result and Conclusion

 RMSE improved from initial estimation from mean

Method	RMSE
Average	1.060054
Movie effect	0.9421695
Movie and user effects	0.8646843
Regularized movie and user effect	0.8641362