This assignment is written in Python 2.7 for Spark 2.0.1. Below are details on how to run the code, answers to questions.

1. Command to run the code

.\bin\spark-submit --master local[*] --driver-memory 5g Vijayakumar_Gedigeri_LSH.py ratings.csv C:\Users\Output\Vijayakumar Gedigeri SimilarMovies.txt

Output path in above command is given for Windows OS. In case, you want to run on Linux machine, instead of front slash '\', use back slash '/' for absolute path.

Above will create folder **Output** in C:\Users and then the file Vijayakumar_Gedigeri_SimilarMovies.txt under Output folder. You can specify any path.

Sample Vijayakumar_Gedigeri_SimilarMovies.txt output file is available under OutputFiles directory.

2. Problem 2 Solution

Precision and Recall of my implementation were calculated comparing with Ground Truth file that has 384233 similar movies with jaccard similarity > 0.5

Number of True positives (tp)= 337817 Number of False positives (fp) = 0 Number of False Negatives (fn) = 46416

Precision =
$$tp / (tp + fp) = 337817 / (337817 + 0) = 1.0$$

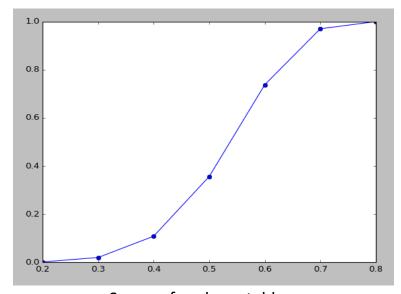
Recall = $tp / (tp + fn) = 337817 / (337817 + 46416) = 0.8791$

3. Table showing the values for S-Curve for the below values of b and r used in my implementation

S	1-(1-s ^r) ^b
0.2	0.00179
0.3	0.02021
0.4	0.10856
0.5	0.35657
0.6	0.73758
0.7	0.96994
0.8	0.99979

4. How does the value of *b* and *r* affect the value of the threshold for the movies dataset?

Answer:



S-curve for above table.

In above graph, we can see that the curve hasn't risen significantly until the threshold of slightly more than s = 0.5 is reached (Around s = 0.55 to be exact). Slope in the middle is significant and raises by more than 0.6 when going from threshold 0.4 to 0.6 or 0.5 to 0.7.

For a threshold of 0.8, 1- $(0.8)^6$ = 0.7378 where r = 6. When we raise this by 28 (bands), we get 0.000201. Subtracting this from 1 gives 0.99979. This tells that for a movie pair from movies dataset with jaccard similarity of 0.8, there is 27% chance of agreeing on all 6 rows in any band to become a candidate pair. As there are 28 bands, there are 28 chances of becoming a candidate pair.

If we consider there are 100,000 movie pairs with jaccard similarity 0.8, then as less as 20 will fail to become candidates and hence false negative.