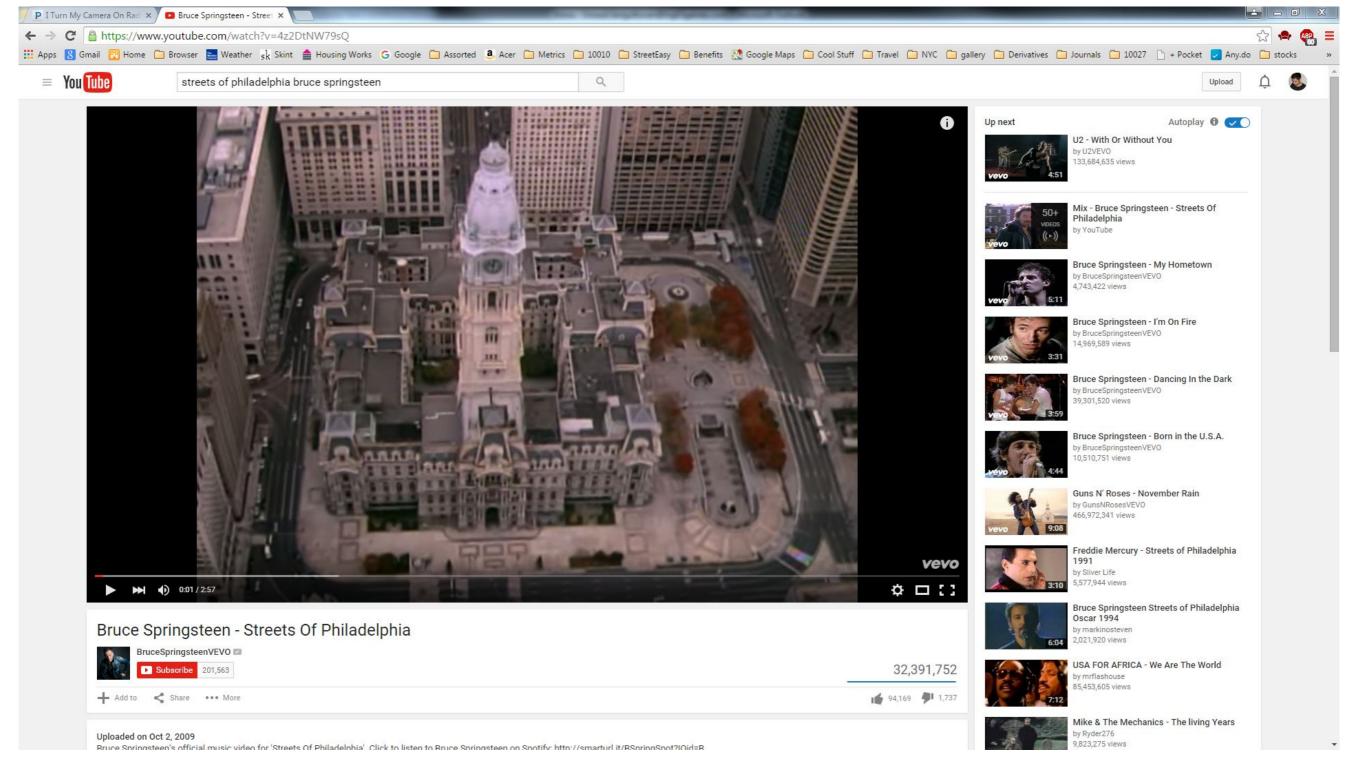


### How does Pandora do it?

Specialists listened to every song and gave each of them various attributes (about 30 to a hundred)

Two songs are similar if their distance in that n-dimensional space is minimal

This works with a binary scale or a point system



### How does YouTube do it?

### Algorithmic:

- Find all users who listened to the song
- Find the song that set of people had listened to the most

The actual solution is a little more computationally effective (we will get to that)

#### Pandora:

- intrinsic recommendation system
- internal elements (features) of the songs are used to measure similarity

#### YouTube:

- extrinsic recommendation system
- recommendations are solely based on peer preferences
- hence the term "collaborative filtering"

# svd: single value decomposition

Let's review Matrices and Matrix Multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1 \times 5 + 2 \times 7) & (1 \times 6 + 2 \times 8) \\ 19 & 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(3 \times 5 + 4 \times 7) & (3 \times 6 + 4 \times 8) \\ 43 & 50 & \end{bmatrix}$$

 $N \times K$   $K \times M$  =  $N \times M$ 

# svd: single value decomposition

Inverse of Matrix Multiplication is Decomposition

Factorization is not unique:

$$24 = 4*6 = 3*8 = 2*2*6$$

Factorization is not always exact:

$$23 = 4*6$$

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	DIEHARD	BRAVEHEART	MULAN	CASABLANCA	HOME ALONE
ТОМ	5	3	2	2	3
SALLY	3	4	3	5	2
NIKIL	1	5	3	5	1
KIM	1	1	4	4	2

	ACTION	COMEDY	HISTORY	COMING-OF-AGE	ROMANCE
ТОМ	5	5	1	1	1
SALLY	3	5	3	2	5
NIKIL	1	1	5	1	1
KIM	1	4	4	4	3
	DIE HARD	BRAVEHEART	MULAN	CASABLANCA	HOME ALONE
ACTION	5	5	4	2	3
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HISTORY	1	5	4	4	1
COMING-OF-AGE	2	2	4	2	4
ROMANCE	1	4	4	5	1

# svd: single value decomposition

Matrix decomposition is not really SVD but something similar

The method is commonly called SVD++...

- .. you provide the MxN matrix and a K
- .. the algorithm is typically SGD or ALSWR

Stochastic Gradient Descent

Alternating Least Squares with Weighted-Lamda-Regularization

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Then you can predict rating, find similar entries or similar subjects.

AP News example: Articles and words

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How to choose "K"?

Could try various K, decompose, multiply and compare (RMSE) to original matrix (cross-validation)

Or look at Eigen Values

## Collaborative Filtering

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Could use click, percentage of view, number of views, like, share

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Normalization is important.

Outliers and noise get magnified.

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What if there is a progression or order to the content?

Have to do some supervision.

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What about empty values?

Use averages. Or sparse matrix solvers.

## Collaborative Filtering

Octave has in built SVD and NMF

Python has many libraries including GraphLab, divisi2

Consider looking at Incremental-SVD

### Intrinsic recommendation systems

Features are well defined Don't need user data to begin

Manual

## Extrinsic recommendation systems

**Automatic** 

Features are undefined

Need a lot of user data

Not automatically adaptive to special cases (like order-specific entries)

### Combined technique

Begin with the intrinsic knowledge

Better understanding of the content

Effective initial recommendation

Once enough data points are accumulated, switch to the extrinsic model

## Combined technique

Double the work

Most effective, especially for timely content

This is what Netflix does... likely the best recommendation system

### Review of terms

Collaborative Filtering

Single Value Decomposition (SVD)

Non-negative Matrix Factorization (NMF)

Feature Extraction

## Related topics

Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

Dimensionality Reduction

Clustering

### A versatile set of tools

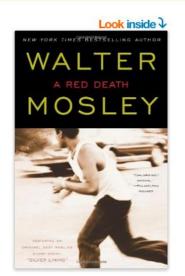
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Classification

**Data Compression** 

What more, with recommender systems?





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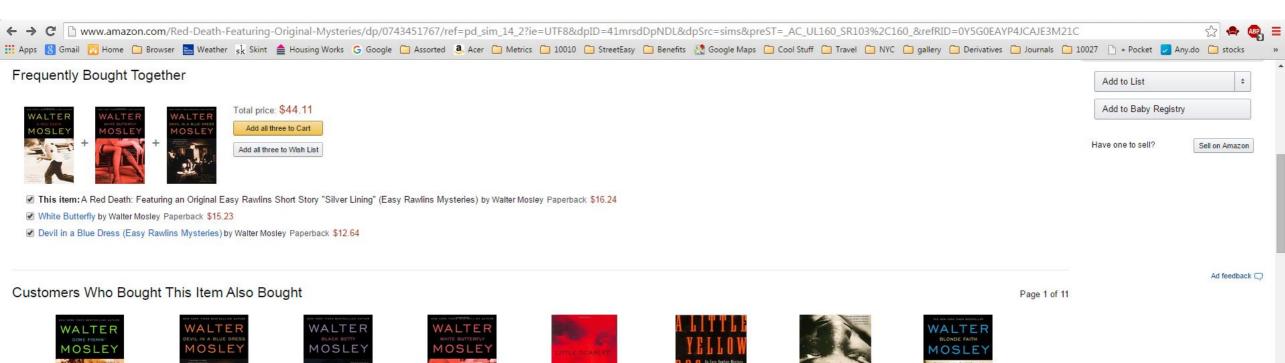
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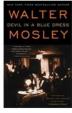
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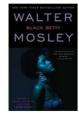






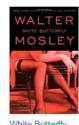


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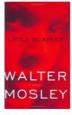


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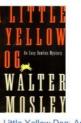
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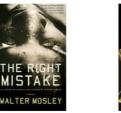


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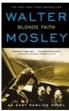
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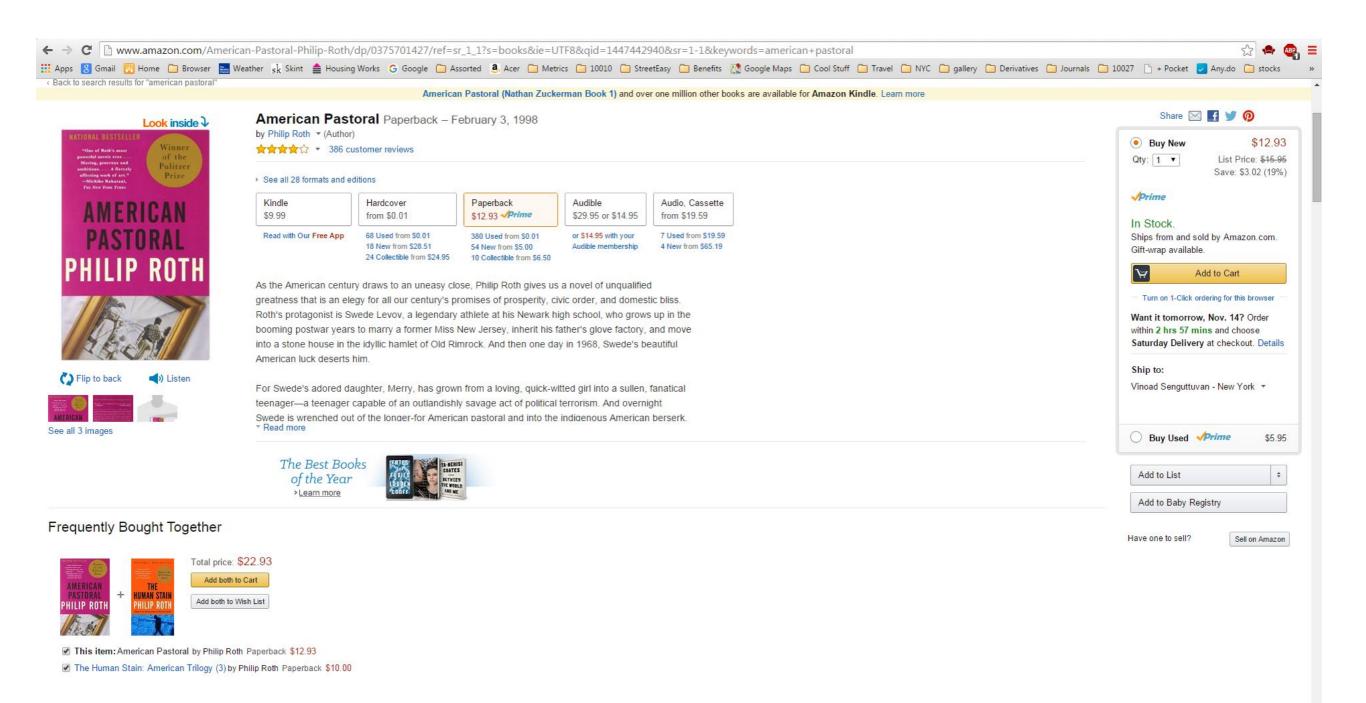
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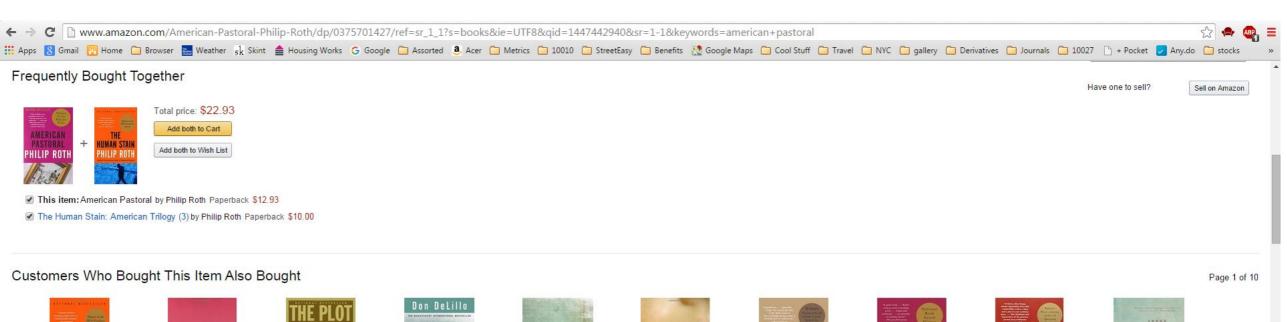
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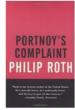






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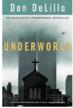


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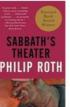
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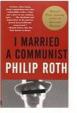
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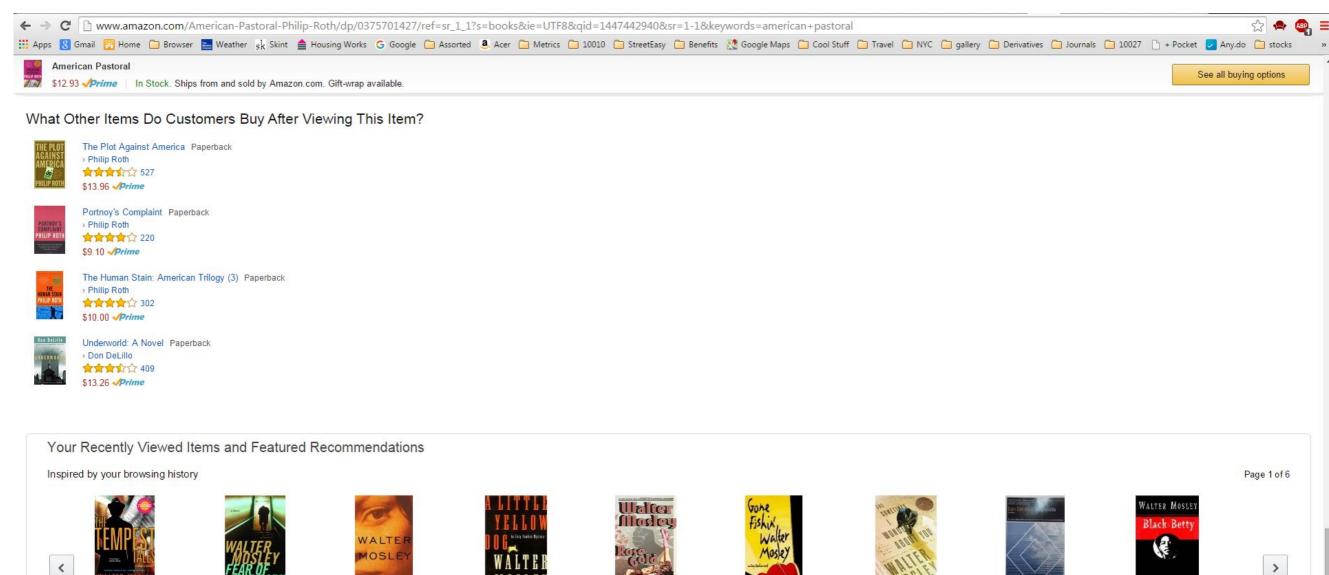
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