

Matrix Factorization

R(5, 4) is rating matrix :("-" means the user does not rate) .

where the rating matrix R (m, n) are m row and n columns, m represents user number, n is item value.

	D1	D2	D3	D4
U1	5	3	-	1
U2	4	-	-	1
U3	1	1	-	5
U4	1	-	-	4
U5	-	1	5	4

So, how do you predict the rating of an unrated item (how do you get the rating of a user with a score of 0) based on the current matrix R (5,4)?

This problem can be solved by the idea of matrix factorization, which can actually be regarded as a supervised machine learning problem (regression problem).

In the process of matrix factorization, the matrix R can be approximately expressed as the product of matrix P and matrix Q:

$$R_{m \times n} \approx P_{m \times k} \times Q_{k \times n} = \hat{R}_{m \times n}$$

The matrix P(n,k) represents the relationship matrix between N users and K features, which is an intermediate variable, the transpose of the matrix Q(k,m) is the matrix Q(m,k), and the matrix Q(m,k) represents the relationship matrix between M items and K features. The k value here is controlled by itself, and the best k value can be obtained by cross-validation. In order to get the approximate R(n,m), we have to solve for the matrices P and Q, how do we solve for them?

Methods

S1:

$$\hat{r}_{ij} = p_i^T q_j = \sum_{k=1}^k p_{ik} q_{kj}$$

S2:For the left-hand side of 1, which is the \hat{r} value to the i row, the j column, how do we measure it.we can give the following formula, which is the loss function, the square loss, and the final goal, which is the sum of the minimum values of $e(i,j)$ for each of the elements (non-missing values)

$$e_{ij}^2 = (r_{ij} - \hat{r}_{ij})^2 = (r_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^K p_{ik} q_{kj})^2$$

S3:Modified P and Q components were obtained by using gradient descent method:

To solve the negative gradient of the loss function:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p_{i,k}} e_{ij}^2 = -2 \left(r_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^K p_{i,k} q_{k,j} \right) q_{k,j} = -2 e_{i,j} q_{k,j}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial q_{k,j}} e_{ij}^2 = -2 \left(r_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^K p_{i,k} q_{k,j} \right) p_{i,k} = -2 e_{i,j} p_{i,k}$$

Update variables according to the direction of the negative gradient:

$$p_{i,k}' = p_{i,k} - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial p_{i,k}} e_{i,j}^2 = p_{i,k} + 2\alpha e_{i,j} q_{k,j}$$

$$q_{k,j}' = q_{k,j} - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial q_{k,j}} e_{i,j}^2 = q_{k,j} + 2\alpha e_{i,j} p_{i,k}$$

S4: Constantly iteration until finally the algorithm convergence (until the sum $(e^2) \leq \text{threshold}$, at the end of the gradient descent condition: $f(x)$ less than their true value and the predicted values setting threshold value) .

S5: in order to prevent a overfitting, increase the regularization item.

Add regular term loss function to solve

In general, in order to have better generalization ability, regular terms are added to the loss function to constrain the parameters. The loss function of the regular L2 norm is as follows:

$$e_{i,j}^2 = (r_{i,j} - \sum_{k=1}^K p_{i,k} q_{k,j})^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K (||P||^2 + ||Q||^2)$$

For those with unclear regularization, the formula can be reduced to:

$$E_{i,j}^2 = \left(r_{i,j} - \sum_{k=1}^K p_{i,k} q_{k,j} \right)^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K (p_{i,k}^2 + q_{k,j}^2)$$

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$$q_{k,j}' = q_{k,j} - \alpha \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial q_{k,j}} e_{i,j}^2 + \beta q_{k,j} \right) = q_{k,j} + \alpha (2e_{i,j} p_{i,k} - \beta q_{k,j})$$

Prediction

By using the above process, we can get the matrix sum, so that user i can rate item j:

$$\sum_{k=1}^K p_{i,k} q_{k,j}$$