

# Week 12 - Recommendation Systems part 2

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## Exercise 9.4.2

If we wish to start out, as in Fig. 9.10, with all  $U$  and  $V$  entries set to the same value, what value minimizes the RMSE for the matrix  $M$  of our running example?

### Answer

We have a  $5 \times 5M$  matrix which we want to decompose into  $d = 2$  dimensional  $U$  and  $V$  matrices.

“If we have chosen  $d$  as the lengths of the short sides of  $U$  and  $V$ , and  $a$  is the average nonblank element of  $M$ , then the elements of  $U$  and  $V$  should be  $\sqrt{a/d}$ .”

```
d <- 2;
M <- matrix(c(5,2,4,4,3,3,1,2,4,1,2,NA,3,1,4,2,5,4,3,5,4,4,5,4,NA), ncol=5, byrow = TRUE);
sqrt(mean(M, na.rm = TRUE) / 2); # 1.276885
```

```
## [1] 1.276885
```

### Exercise 9.4.3

```
# Starting off
U <- matrix(c(2.6, 1, 1.178, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1), ncol=2);
V <- matrix(c(1.617,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1), ncol=5);

M <- matrix(c(5.204, 2.617, 2.905, 2.617, 2.617, 3.6, 2, 2.178, 2, 2, 3.6, 2, 2.178, 2, 2, 3.6, 2, 2.178), ncol=17);

# Calculate P
P <- U %*% V;

# Show initital error
sqrt(sum((M - P)**2)); # 0.0002650962
```

```
## [1] 0.0002650962
```

### Answer

Starting with the U and V matrices in Fig. 9.16, do the following in order:

- (a) Reconsider the value of  $u_{11}$ . Find its new best value, given the changes that have been made so far.

```
max_j <- 5;
r <- 1;
s <- 1;

# Find the updated value by alculating the numerator and denominator
numerator <- sum(sapply(1:max_j, function(j) { V[s, j] * (M[r, j] - sum(U[r, -c(s)] * V[-c(s), j]))}); })
denominator <- sum(sapply(1:max_j, function(j) { V[s, j]**2; })))
numerator
denominator

# Update and print U
U[r, s] <- numerator / denominator
U

# Show sum of squared error
sqrt(sum((M - U %*% V)**2)); # 0.0002333765

# Update P
P <- U %*% V;
```

```
## [1] 17.19787
## [1] 6.614689
##      [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 2.599951 1
## [2,] 1.000000 1
## [3,] 1.178000 1
## [4,] 1.000000 1
## [5,] 1.000000 1
## [1] 0.0002333765
```

(b) Then choose the best value for  $u_{52}$

```
max_j <- 5;
r <- 5;
s <- 2;

# Find the updated value by alculating the numerator and denominator
numerator <- sum(sapply(1:max_j, function(j) { V[s, j] * (M[r, j] - sum(U[r, -c(s)] * V[-c(s), j]))}); })
denominator <- sum(sapply(1:max_j, function(j) { V[s, j]**2; })))
numerator
denominator

# Update and print U
U[r, s] <- numerator / denominator
U

# Show sum of squared error
sqrt(sum((M - U %** V)**2));

# Update P
P <- U %** V;
```

```
## [1] 5
## [1] 5
##      [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 2.599951 1
## [2,] 1.000000 1
## [3,] 1.178000 1
## [4,] 1.000000 1
## [5,] 1.000000 1
## [1] 0.0002333765
```

(c) Then choose the best value for  $v_{22}$ .

```
max_i <- 5;
r <- 2;
s <- 2;

# Find the updated value by alculating the numerator and denominator
numerator <- sum(sapply(1:max_i, function(i) { U[i, r] * (M[i, s] - sum(U[s, -c(r)] * U[-c(r), s]))}); })
denominator <- sum(sapply(1:max_i, function(i) { U[i, r]**2; })))
numerator
```

```
## [1] -8.222
```

```
denominator
```

```
## [1] 5
```

```
# Update and print U
V[r, s] <- numerator / denominator
V
```

```
##      [,1]    [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
## [1,] 1.617  1.0000    1    1    1
## [2,] 1.000 -1.6444    1    1    1
```

```
# Show sum of squared error
sqrt(sum((M - U %*% V)**2));
```

```
## [1] 5.91308
```

```
# Update P
P <- U %*% V;
```