

Kaggle Competition

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Feature Created

01

Unseen User Embedding

Simulated User for users not seen during training by matching items rated

02

Negative Sampling

Created User and Item pairings and set rating to 0.

03

Concatenation

Neural Network Embeddings of Users and Items were concatenated.

04

Context Feature ID

We did not utilize this in our best model.

Techniques Applied



Matrix Factorization

Learning Rate: 0.001
Embedding Size: 100
Epochs: 25



Random Forest

Trees: 300
Max Depth: 8
Min Leaf: 10



Neural Network

Learning Rate: 0.001
Embedding Size: 10
Epochs: 20



Drop Out

20%

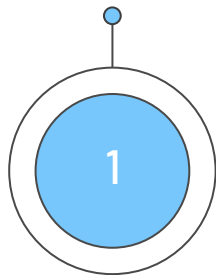


Negative Sampling

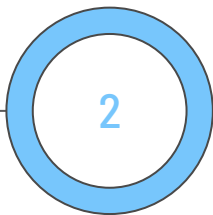
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Our Experiments

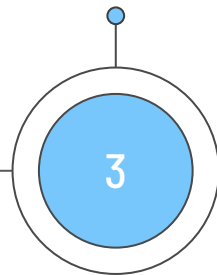
Matrix Factorization
Hyperparameter Tuning



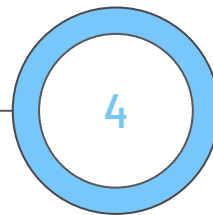
Introduce Bias
Introduce Negative Sampling



Implement Random Forest
Fine Tune Negative Sampling
Hyperparameter Tuning

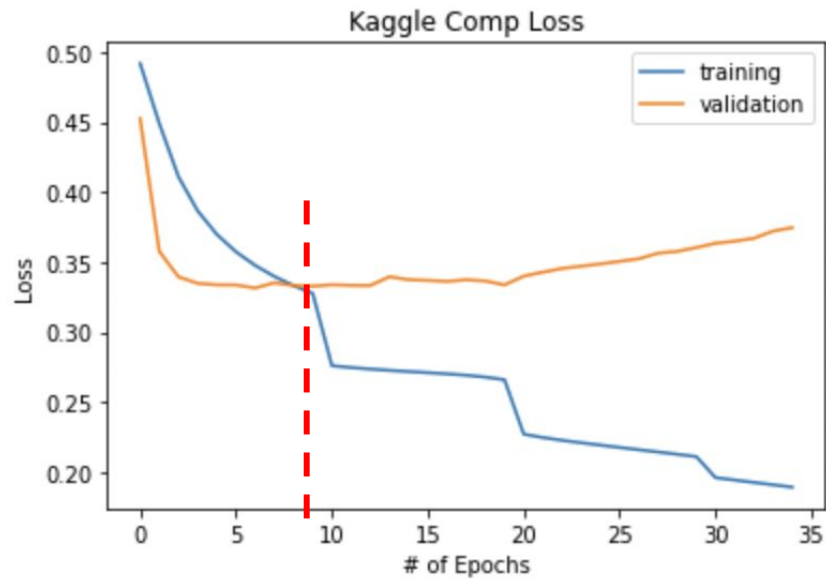


Neural Network
Introduce Dropout



Results

	Matrix Factorization with bias	Random Forest	Simple NN	Deep NN w/ drop
Training Loss	.436		0.182	0.324
Validation Loss	.470		0.315	0.333
Validation Acc.	.812	⊗	0.813	0.799
Leaderboard Score	.41293	.484	.468	.448



Severe overfitting occurring as the number of epochs increases.

Leaderboard



DudeWheresMyModel

1st: 0.40290



Overfit Bros

2nd: 0.40607



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13th: 0.41293

