

Recommender System

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Why Recommender System?



Introduction to Recommender System

facebook. amazon



Terminology Explanation

- User
 - Item: movies, books, songs, ...
 - n_u : number of users
 - n_m : number of items
- => Rating matrix/Utility matrix: $(n_u \times n_m)$
- Rating information
 - Implicit feedback: number of times website visited, read a book, view a book, heard a song, ...
 - Explicit feedback: user rating for a movie

Problem Formulation

	I1	I2	I3	I4
U1	4	?	3	?
U2	?	3	?	?
U3	5	?	?	2
U4	?	1	?	?
U5	?	?	4	5

Item descriptions

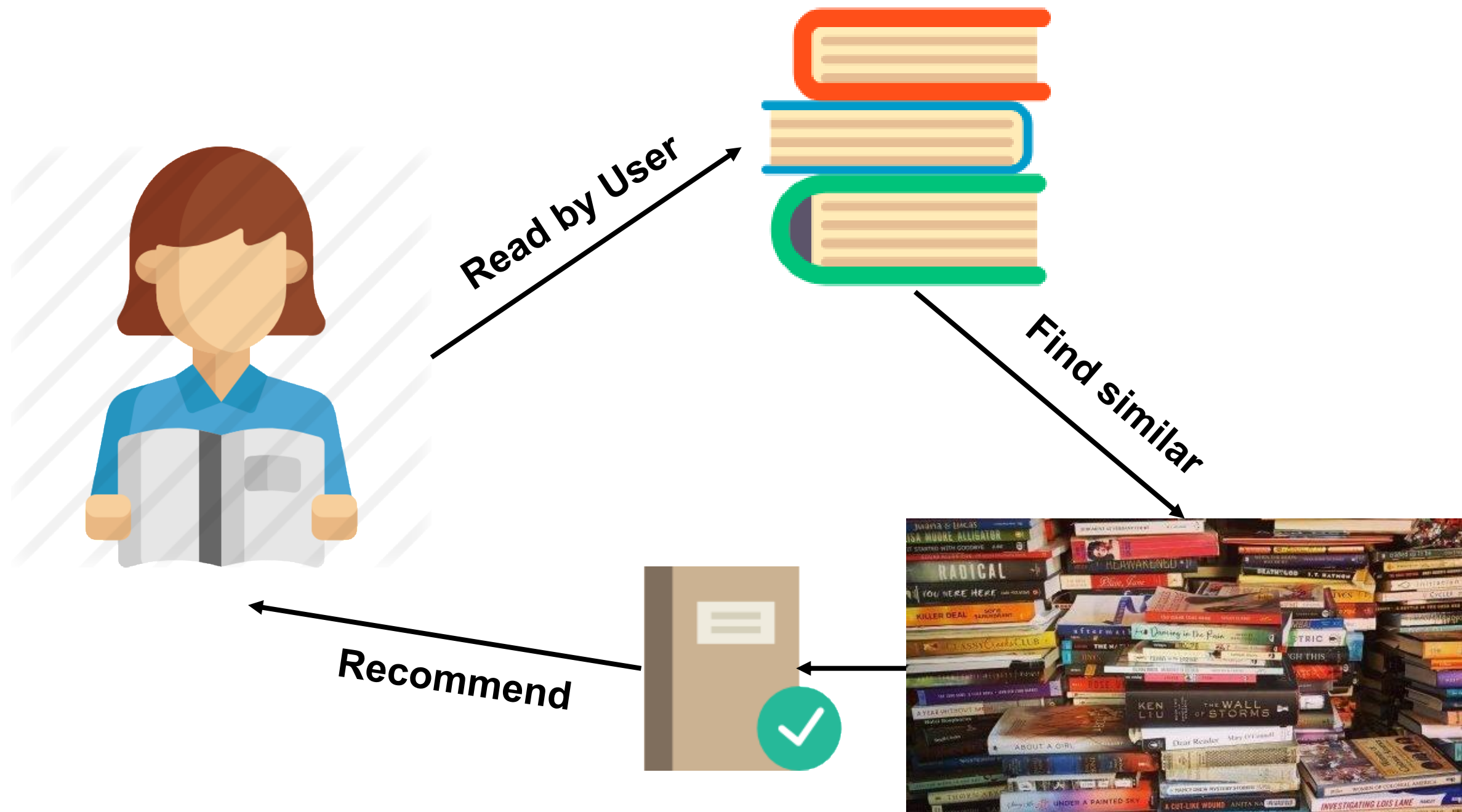
	I1	I2	I3	I4
U1	4	2	3	5
U2	3	3	2	4
U3	5	1	5	2
U4	1	1	3	2
U5	4	3	4	5

Recommender System Approaches

- Content-based
- Collaborative Filtering
- Hybrid methods

Content-based

- **Main idea:** “Recommend items that are similar to those the user liked in the past”



Content-based

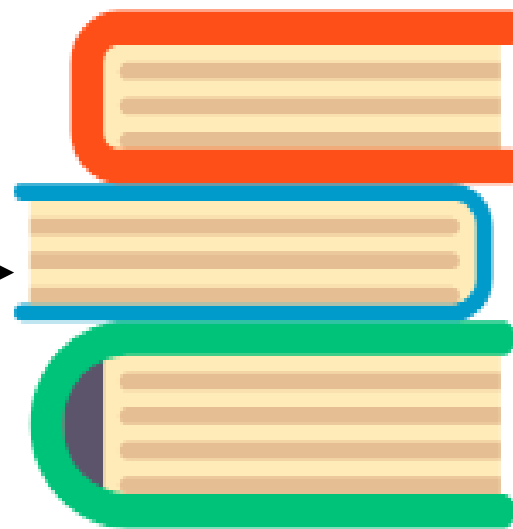


Item Profiles

Make Predictions

User Profiles

Read



Item Profiles

- List of features
 - Movies: actor, title, director, genre, ...
 - Songs: singer, year release, musician, ...
 - Books: Title, author, genre, ...
- Text features
 - List of important words
 - Use TF-IDF

User Profiles and Making Predictions

- User Profiles:
 - User has rated items with profiles x_1, \dots, x_n
 - Simple: average of rated item profiles
- Making Predictions:
 - Item profiles: x_1, \dots, x_k
 - User profile: u_1
 - Prediction: Cosine similarity $\cos(x_q, u_1), q \in [1, k]$

Learning a User Model

- Regression/Classification task
- Training data: item profile and ratings

	I1	I2	I3	I4
U1	4	?	3	?
U2	?	3	?	?
U3	5	?	?	2
U4	?	1	?	?
U5	?	?	4	5

	x1	x2
I1	0.9	0.1
I2	0.4	0.6
I3	0.5	0.5
I4	0.3	0.7

Learning a User Model

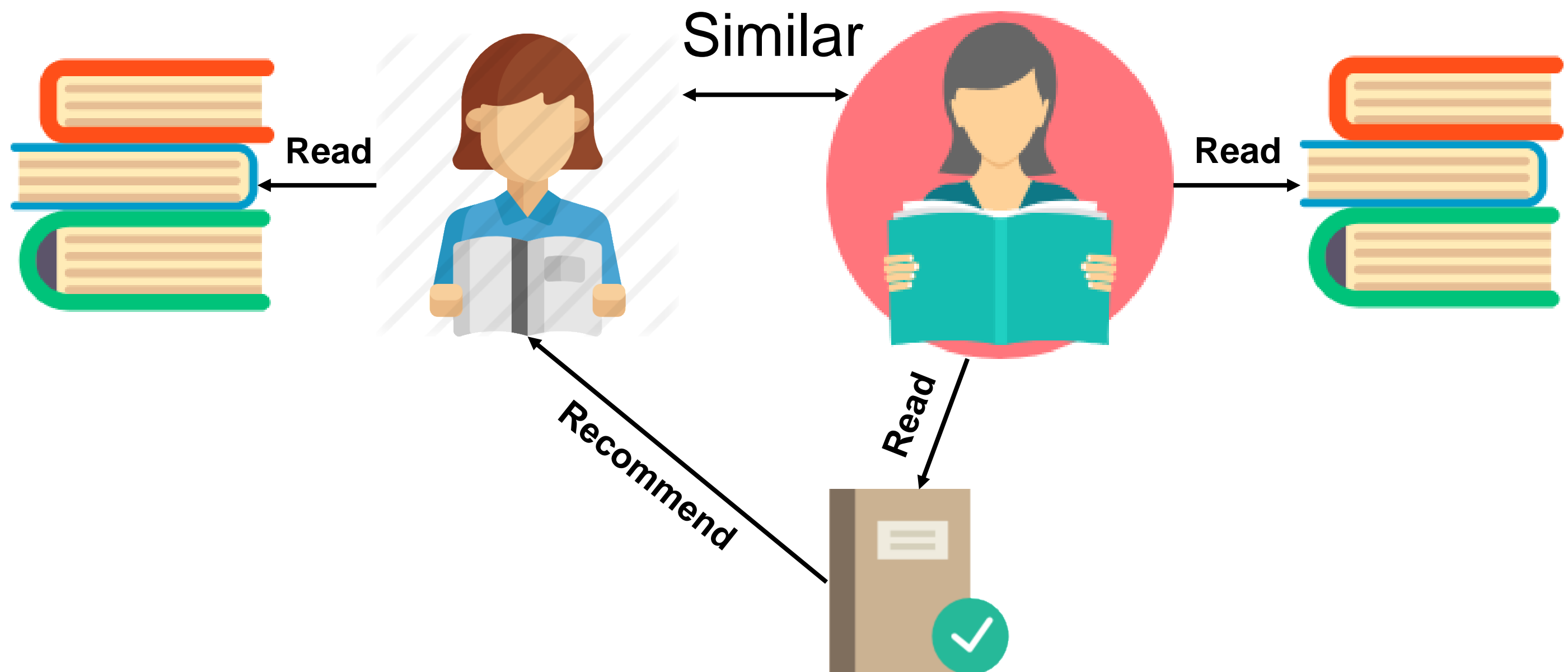
- $r(i, j) = 1$ if user i rated movie j (0 otherwise)
- $y^{(i, j)}$ = rating by user i on movie j
- $w^{(i)}$: parameter vector for user i
- $x^{(j)}$: feature vector for movie j
- For user i , movie j , predicted rating: $(w^{(i)})^T x^{(j)}$
- n : number of features in movie
- To learn $w^{(i)}$ parameter for user i :
$$\min_{w^{(i)}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j:r(i,j)=1} ((w^{(i)})^T x^{(j)} - y^{(i,j)})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n (w_k^{(i)})^2$$

Comments

- Advantages:
 - No need data of other users
 - Able to recommend new and unpopular items
 - Explanations for recommended items
- Disadvantages:
 - Never recommends items outside user's content profile
 - Unable to exploit quality judgments of other users
 - Cold-start problem for new users

Collaborative Filtering

- **Main idea:** “Recommend items that similar users liked”



Collaborative Filtering

- Neighborhood-based
 - **User-user collaborative filtering**
 - Item-item collaborative filtering
- Matrix Factorization

User-user Collaborative Filtering

Step 1: Normalized data

	U1	U2	U3	U4	U5	U6	U7
I1	5	5	2	0	1	?	?
I2	4	?	?	0	?	2	?
I3	?	4	1	?	?	1	1
I4	2	2	3	4	4	?	4
I5	2	0	4	?	?	?	5

3.25	2.75	2.5	1.33	2.5	1.5	3.33
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Mean user ratings

	U1	U2	U3	U4	U5	U6	U7
I1	1.75	2.25	-0.5	-1.3	-1.5	0	0
I2	0.75	0	0	-1.3	0	1.5	0
I3	0	1.25	-1.5	0	0	-0.5	-2.3
I4	-1.2	-0.7	0.5	2.67	1.5	?	0.67
I5	-1.2	-2.7	1.5	0	0	0	1.67

Normalized rating matrix

User-user Collaborative Filtering

Step 2: Calculate user similarity: cosine similarity

	u_0	u_1	u_2	u_3	u_4	u_5	u_6
u_0	1	0.83	-0.58	-0.79	-0.82	0.2	-0.38
u_1	0.83	1	-0.87	-0.40	-0.55	-0.23	-0.71
u_2	-0.58	-0.87	1	0.27	0.32	0.47	0.96
u_3	-0.79	-0.40	0.27	1	0.87	-0.29	0.18
u_4	-0.82	-0.55	0.32	0.87	1	0	0.16
u_5	0.2	-0.23	0.47	-0.29	0	1	0.56
u_6	-0.38	-0.71	0.96	0.18	0.16	0.56	1

User similarity matrix

User-user Collaborative Filtering

Step 3: Rating prediction

$$\hat{y}_{i,u} = \frac{\sum_{u_j \in \mathcal{N}(u,i)} \bar{y}_{i,u_j} \text{sim}(u, u_j)}{\sum_{u_j \in \mathcal{N}(u,i)} |\text{sim}(u, u_j)|}$$

	U1	U2	U3	U4	U5	U6	U7
I1	1.75	2.25	-0.5	-1.3	-1.5	0.18	-0.63
I2	0.75	0.48	-0.17	-1.3	-1.33	1.5	0.05
I3	0.91	1.25	-1.5	-1.84	-1.78	-0.5	-2.3
I4	-1.2	-0.7	0.5	2.67	1.5	0.59	0.67
I5	-1.2	-2.7	1.5	1.57	1.56	01.59	1.67

User-user Collaborative Filtering

Step 5: Denormalized

	U1	U2	U3	U4	U5	U6	U7
I1	5	5	2	0	1	1.68	2.70
I2	4	3.23	2.33	0	1.67	2	3.38
I3	4.15	4	1	-0.5	0.71	1	1
I4	2	2	3	4	4	2.10	4
I5	2	0	4	2.9	4.06	3.10	5

Matrix Factorization

- n_u : number of users
- n_m : number of items
- $n_u = 7, n_m = 5, K = 3$

	U1	U2	U3	U4	U5	U6	U7
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I2	4	?	?	0	?	2	?
I3	?	4	1	?	?	1	1
I4	2	2	3	4	4	?	4
I5	2	0	4	?	?	?	5

Rating Matrix



User Matrix



Item Matrix

Matrix Factorization

- Content-based, for user i :

$$\min_{w^{(i)}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j:r(i,j)=1} ((w^{(i)})^T x^{(j)} - y^{(i,j)})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n (w_k^{(i)})^2$$

- For n_u users:

$$\min_{w^{(1)}, \dots, w^{(n_u)}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_u} \sum_{j:r(i,j)=1} ((w^{(i)})^T x^{(j)} - y^{(i,j)})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_u} \sum_{k=1}^n (w_k^{(i)})^2$$

Matrix Factorization

- For find features vector of items:

$$\min_{x^{(j)}, \dots, x^{(n_m)}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_m} \sum_{i:r(i,j)=1} ((w^{(i)})^T x^{(j)} - y^{(i,j)})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_m} \sum_{k=1}^n (x_k^{(j)})^2$$

- For find both features vector of items and users:

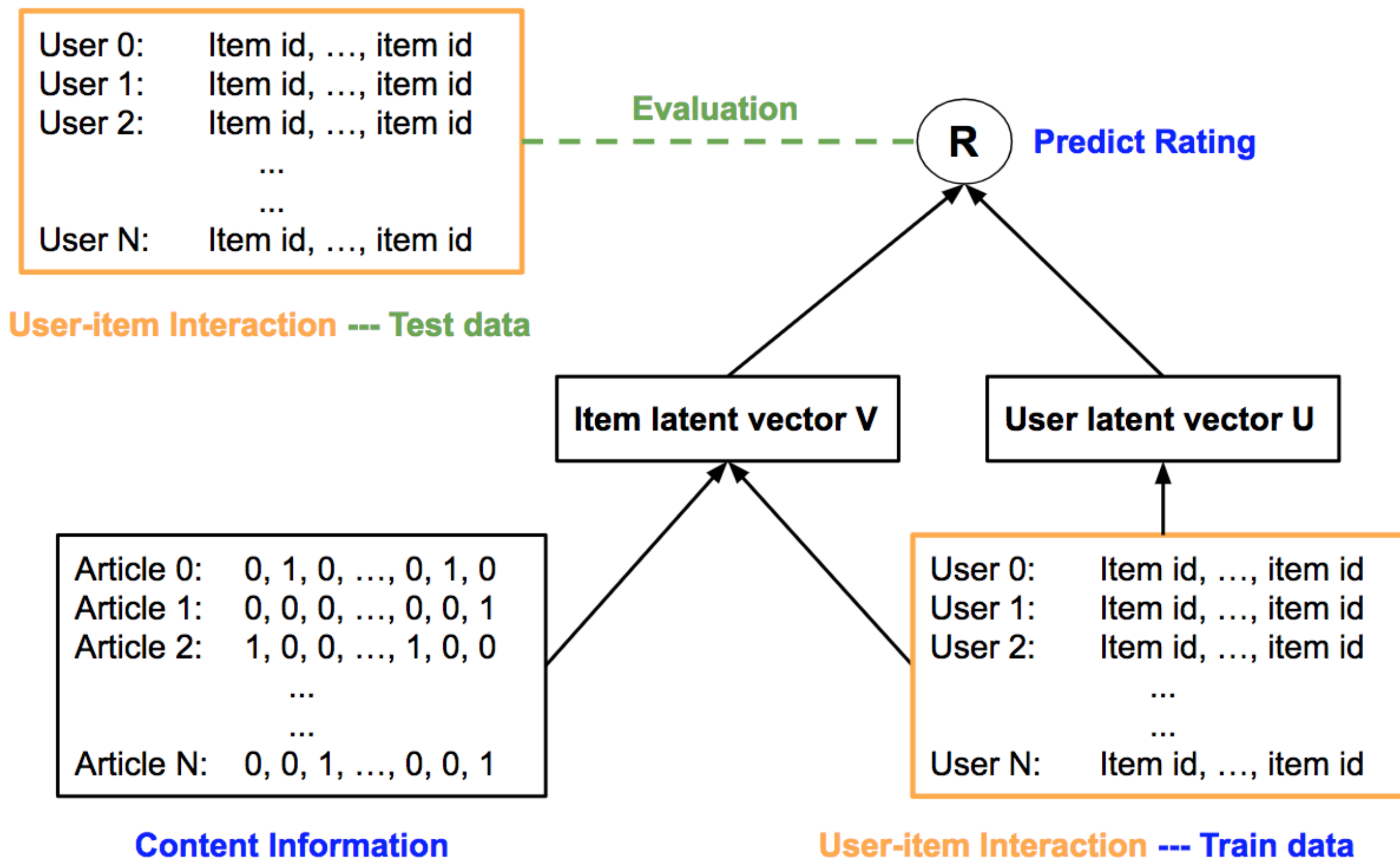
$$J(x, w) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{(i,j):r(i,j)=1} ((w^{(i)})^T x^{(j)} - y^{(i,j)})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_u} \sum_{k=1}^n (w_k^{(i)})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_m} \sum_{k=1}^n (x_k^{(j)})^2$$

Comment

- Collaborative filtering result > Content-based result
- Issues of Collaborative filtering:
 - Cold-start problems
 - Sparsity problems

=> Hybrid methods: combine both Collaborative filtering and Content-based

Current State-of-the-art Models



Datasets

- Movie
 - Movielens: MovieID, Title, Genre, Rating, Tag
 - Netflix
- Scientific paper
 - CiteULike: Title, abstract, User-item interaction, tag...
 - CiteSeer
- Amazon product data

1. <https://movielens.org/>

2. <http://www.citeulike.org/>

Evaluation

- **Rating Prediction Task**
 - Mean Absolute Error (MAE)
 - Mean Square Error (MSE)
 - Root Mean Square Error (RMSE)
- **Top-N Recommendation Task**
 - Precision and Recall
 - Mean Average Precision (MAP)
 - Mean Reciprocal Rank (MRR)
 - Normalized Discounted Cumulative Gain (nDCG)

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A word cloud featuring the phrase "Thank You" in numerous languages and scripts. The words are arranged in a circular pattern, with "thank you" in large red letters at the center. Other prominent words include "danke" (blue), "gracias" (green), "merci" (orange), and "teşekkür ederim" (purple). Smaller words in various colors include "spas", "dank je", "misaotra", "matondo", "paldies", "grazzi", "mahalo", "tapadh leat", "xhala", "asante", "manana", "tenki", "mochchakkeram", "mamnun", "go raibh maith agat", "arigatō", "takk", "dakujem", "trugarez", "merci", "shukriya", "merce", "merci", "diolch", "dhanyavadagal", "tanemirt", "rahmet", "xiexie", "감사합니다", "rahit", "kam sah hamnida", "didi madloba", "mes", "dekuji", "sagolun", "sukriya", "kop khun krap", "gracies", "gratias ago", "chnorakaloutioun", "dziękuje", "sobodi", "obrigado", "bedankt", "enkosi", "bayarlalaa", "gracie", "hvala", "mauruuru", "kösönöm", "dhanyavad", "kiitos", "dankie", "faafetai lava", "Баярлалаа", "спасибо", "спасибі", "vinaka", "blagodaram", "kia ora", "barka", "welalin", "tack", "ngiyabonga", "рахмат", "謝謝", "mersi".