

# Collaborative Filtering Assessment PDF

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1. Which are the 2 main paradigms of Recommendation Systems?
  - a. Memory & Model
  - b. SVD & SVD++
  - c. Content-Based & Collaborative Filtering
  - d. User-User & Item-Item
2. Which approach is more closely associated with traditional machine learning?
  - a. Content-Based
  - b. Collaborative Filtering
3. What is the primary algorithm for the Memory approach?
  - a. K-means
  - b. PCA
  - c. K-nearest neighbors
  - d. Logistic Regression
4. Which of the Memory methods is most widely used in practice?
  - a. User-User, because it is simpler.
  - b. Item-Item, because it is faster.
  - c. User-User, because it is more personalized.
  - d. Item-Item, because it is more stable.
5. What is the cold-start problem?
  - a. The SVD method is highly sensitive to initial conditions
  - b. The fact that all collaborative filtering methods suffer when new users/new items are added as there is no data to compare with.
  - c. The fact the K-NN algorithm runs too slowly for large amounts of data
  - d. There is no cold start problem.
6. What conditions would cause the SVD model to underfit?
  - a. Bad initial conditions to start with
  - b. Low latent dimension space (short embeddings)
  - c. Too many parameters in the model
  - d. Learning rate is too small
7. Which of these is not a parameter in the (biased) baseline SVD algorithm?
  - a. User biases
  - b. Item biases
  - c. Item embeddings
  - d. Global average

8. How can the SVD algorithm be sped up?
  - a. Stochastic Gradient Descent and Batch Updates
  - b. Approximating the update step
  - c. Random restarts
  - d. Lowering the learning rate
9. Why is the SVD algorithm called the SVD algorithm?
  - a. Those were the initials of the makers
  - b. The algorithm converges to SVD when all values are known
  - c. It calculates the SVD of the estimated matrix at every step
  - d. Because U and T are singular vectors of the Interaction Matrix
10. Which of these are not valid similarity measures?
  - a. Cosine similarity
  - b. Euclidean distance
  - c. Correlation
  - d. Number of entries in common