## **Exploratory Data Analysis**

### **Data Preview**

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Jumanji (1995)

```
# Import Dependencies
In [1]:
         import pandas as pd
         import numpy as np
         # Data visualization
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         import seaborn as sns
         # Model Evaluation
         from sklearn.model selection import train test split
         from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error
         # Recommendation
         from surprise.prediction_algorithms import knns, SVD
         from surprise.similarities import cosine, msd, pearson
         from surprise import accuracy, Dataset, Reader, KNNBasic
         from surprise.model selection import cross validate, GridSearchCV
         from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
         from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import linear_kernel
         import warnings
         warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
In [2]:
         # Load data
         links df = pd.read csv('1-data/links.csv')
         movies df = pd.read csv('1-data/movies.csv')
         ratings_df = pd.read_csv('1-data/ratings.csv')
         tags_df = pd.read_csv('1-data/tags.csv')
         # Peek head of each df
In [3]:
         links_df.head()
           movield imdbld tmdbld
Out[3]:
        0
                 1 114709
                             862.0
                 2 113497
                            8844.0
                 3 113228 15602.0
                 4 114885 31357.0
                 5 113041 11862.0
         movies df.head()
In [4]:
                                         title
Out[4]:
           movield
                                                                            genres
        0
                 1
                                Toy Story (1995) Adventure|Animation|Children|Comedy|Fantasy
```

Adventure|Children|Fantasy

	movield	title	genres
2	3	Grumpier Old Men (1995)	Comedy Romance
3	4	Waiting to Exhale (1995)	Comedy Drama Romance
4	5	Father of the Bride Part II (1995)	Comedy

In [5]: ratings\_df.head()

Out[5]:		userId	movield	rating	timestamp
	0	1	1	4.0	964982703
	1	1	3	4.0	964981247
	2	1	6	4.0	964982224
	3	1	47	5.0	964983815
	4	1	50	5.0	964982931

In [6]: tags\_df.head()

Out[6]:		userId	movield	tag	timestamp
	0	2	60756	funny	1445714994
	1	2	60756	Highly quotable	1445714996
	2	2	60756	will ferrell	1445714992
	3	2	89774	Boxing story	1445715207
	4	2	89774	MMA	1445715200

## Merge datasets

At the moment, the data is imported from disparate tables / files. In this next step, let's focus on the user rating and movies dataframe and merge them into a single dataframe to set up for our recommendation system. For now we can set aside tags and links df.

Below are some noted observations about the MovieLens data.

- Tags are user-generated metadata about movies. Each tag is typically a single word or short phrase. The meaning, value, and purpose of a particular tag is determined by each user.
- Ratings are made on a 5-star scale, with half-star increments (0.5 stars 5.0 stars).
- Timestamps represent seconds since midnight Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) of January 1, 1970.
- Genres are pipe separated
- Our links dataframe contains external information to IMDB and MovieDB information, but since
  we are focused on building a collaborative filter for the time bring, we do not require this
  information

```
# Observe for any data Loss during merge
print(f'movies_df shape {movies_df.shape}')
print(f'ratings_df shape {ratings_df.shape}')
print(f'movieRatings_df {movieRatings_df.shape}')
```

movies\_df shape (9742, 3) ratings\_df shape (100836, 4) movieRatings\_df (100854, 6)

#### In [8]: movieRatings\_df.head()

Out[8]:	: movield		title	genres	userId	rating	timestamp
	0	1	Toy Story (1995)	Adventure Animation Children Comedy Fantasy	1.0	4.0	9.649827e+08
	1	1	Toy Story (1995)	Adventure Animation Children Comedy Fantasy	5.0	4.0	8.474350e+08
	2	1	Toy Story (1995)	Adventure Animation Children Comedy Fantasy	7.0	4.5	1.106636e+09
	3	1	Toy Story (1995)	Adventure Animation Children Comedy Fantasy	15.0	2.5	1.510578e+09
	4	1	Toy Story (1995)	Adventure   Animation   Children   Comedy   Fantasy	17.0	4.5	1.305696e+09

We see now that we have duplicate values between movield, title and genres since there are multiple users ratings the same movie.

In upcoming steps, we will aim to create a matrix of the user (m) and movield (n) -- m x n and so we will not concern ourselves with the duplication we are seeing currently.

Regarding the timestamp, we are not really concerned about the time in which the ratings were given and so we will drop this column.

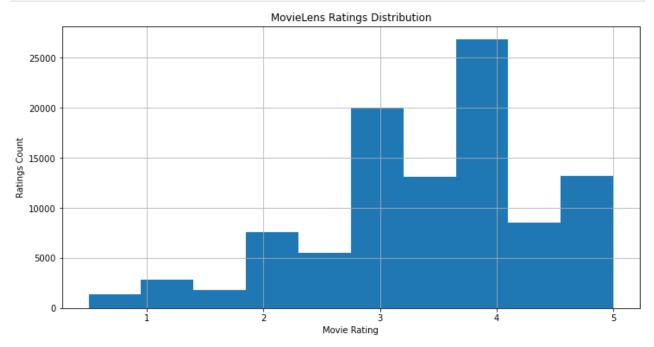
```
In [9]: # Drop timestamp column from movieRatings_df
movieRatings_df.drop(['timestamp','title','genres'],axis=1,inplace=True)

# Peek data
movieRatings_df.head()
```

```
movield userld rating
Out[9]:
          0
                          1.0
                                  4.0
          1
                    1
                          5.0
                                  4.0
          2
                          7.0
                    1
                                  4.5
          3
                    1
                         15.0
                                  2.5
                         17.0
                                  4.5
                    1
```

```
In [10]: # Observe distribution of ratings
    movieRatings_df.rating.hist(figsize=(12,6))
    plt.title('MovieLens Ratings Distribution')
```





```
In [11]: print(movieRatings_df.rating.unique())
[4. 4.5 2.5 3.5 3. 5. 0.5 2. 1.5 1. nan]
```

# Training and test sets

For our recommendation system, we will use the collaborative filtering method to make predictions about the interest of a user by analyzing the preferences or ratings from many users on the aggregate level.

The range of ratings of movies is between 0.5 - 5. Our aim is to predict the rating, given a user and a movie. Since the ratings can take on ten discrete values we are able to model this as a regression problem.

```
In [12]: movieRatings_df.dropna(inplace=True)
In [13]: movieRatings_df.head()
Out[13]: movield userld rating
```

ut[13]:	movield	userId	rating
	<b>0</b> 1	1.0	4.0
	<b>1</b> 1	5.0	4.0
:	2 1	7.0	4.5
:	<b>3</b> 1	15.0	2.5
	<b>4</b> 1	17.0	4.5

```
In [66]: # Assign X and y movieRatings_df
X = movieRatings_df.copy()
```

```
y = movieRatings_df['userId']

# Split into training and test datasets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X,y,test_size=0.33)
```

## **Collaborative Filtering**

With our collaborative filter models, we will take a userld and a movield and output a rating between 0.5 and 5.

# **Collaborative Filtering Methods**

Simple

- Mean
- Weighted Mean

Memory Based (Neighborhood Based) Using different types of similarities (cosine, msd, pearson)

- Item-based Collaborative Filtering
- User-based Collaborative Filtering

Model Based (Simon Funk's SVD)

## Memory based CF Models

## **Baseline model**

We will define a baseline collaborative filter model which will return a rating of 3 regardless of userld or movield.

```
In [18]:
          # Predict using baseline model
          y_pred = np.array( [ baseline_model(user, movie) for (user,movie) in userMovie_pairs ]
          # Score baseline model
In [19]:
          y true = np.array(X test['rating'])
          baselineCF_score = rmse_score(y_true,y_pred)
          print(f'Baseline Collaborative Filter RMSE Score: {baselineCF_score}')
          Baseline Collaborative Filter RMSE Score: 1.1531234800163512
In [20]:
           # Save baseline model to concat and compare with other model results
          baselineModel_df = pd.DataFrame( {'test_rmse':[baselineCF_score],
                               'fit_time':[None],
                               'test_time':[None],
                               'model':['Baseline Model']} )
          baselineModel_df
Out[20]:
            test_rmse fit_time test_time
                                              model
             1.153123
                        None
                                 None
                                       Baseline Model
```

Our baseline collaborative model RMSE score is 1.15.

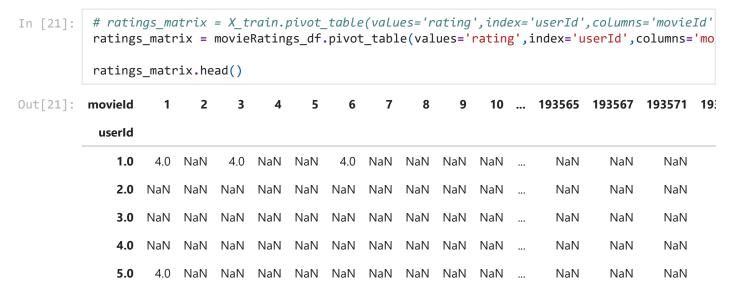
In subsequent models, we will aim to score an RMSE score below 1.15.

### Simple Mean Collaborative Filters

Here we will taking in the userId and movieId and output the mean rating for the movie by all users who have rated it. The rating of each user is assigned equal weight.

In the case that movies are available in the test set and not training set, we will default to assigning a rating of 3.0

#### **Build Matrix**



```
In [67]:
          def score(cf model):
              # Construct a list of user-movie tuples from the testing dataset
              id_pairs = zip(X_test['userId'], X_test['movieId'])
              # Predict the rating for every user-movie tuple
              y_pred = np.array([cf_model(user, movie) for (user, movie) in id_pairs])
              # Extract the actual ratings given by the users in the test data
              y_true = np.array(X_test['rating'])
              # Return the final RMSE score
              return rmse_score(y_true, y_pred)
In [68]:
          def cf mean model(userId, movieId):
              # Check if movie_id exists in ratings_matrix
              if movieId in ratings matrix:
                  # Compute the mean of all the ratings given to given movieId
                  mean rating = ratings matrix[movieId].mean()
              else:
                   # Default to a rating of 3.0 if no information
                  mean rating = 3.0
              return mean_rating
          # Score cf mean model
In [69]:
          cf_mean_score = score(cf_mean_model)
          print(cf_mean_score)
         0.8807329309014071
          # Save collaborative mean model to concat and compare with other model results
In [70]:
          cfMeanModel df = pd.DataFrame( {'test rmse':[cf mean score],
                               'fit_time':[None],
                               'test time': [None],
                               'model':['Collaborative Filter Simple Mean Model']} )
          cfMeanModel df
Out[70]:
            test_rmse fit_time test_time
                                                                model
            0.880733
                                 None Collaborative Filter Simple Mean Model
                        None
```

### Simple Memory-Based Method (Neighborhood-Based) CF Model

Previously, we created a simple mean user-based collaborative filter model. We will now aim to expand on this idea using similarity metrics such as pearson and cosine to create a CF model that gives more preference or rating weightage to users similar to the user in question than users who are found not be as similar.

We will make use of the surprise API for calculating these similarities

```
In [71]: print(f'Number of movies: {len(X_train.movieId.unique())}')
print(f'Number of users: {len(X_train.userId.unique())}')
```

Number of movies: 8352 Number of users: 610

Because there are less users than movies, we will configure our model to initially be a user\_based model, and calculate user-user similarity

### **Cosine Similarity**

We will perform a comparison between cosine and pearson similarity metrics to determine which models to move forward with.

```
sim_cos = {'name':'cosine', 'user_based':True}
In [72]:
In [73]: | movieRatings_df.head()
Out[73]:
            movield userld rating
         0
                              4.0
                       1.0
         1
                       5.0
                              4.0
         2
                       7.0
                              4.5
         3
                      15.0
                              2.5
                      17.0
                              4.5
In [74]:
          # Use surprise reading object to parse the dataframe and make suitable for surprise API
          # Set up config for KNNBasic
          sim_cos = {'name':'cosine', 'user_based':True}
          reader = Reader()
          ratings data = Dataset.load from df(movieRatings df, reader)
          knn_basic = KNNBasic(sim_options=sim_cos)
In [75]:
          knnbasic_cosine_results = cross_validate(knn_basic, ratings_data, measures=['RMSE'], ve
         Computing the cosine similarity matrix...
         Done computing similarity matrix.
         Computing the cosine similarity matrix...
         Done computing similarity matrix.
         Computing the cosine similarity matrix...
         Done computing similarity matrix.
         Computing the cosine similarity matrix...
         Done computing similarity matrix.
         Computing the cosine similarity matrix...
         Done computing similarity matrix.
         Evaluating RMSE of algorithm KNNBasic on 5 split(s).
                           Fold 1 Fold 2 Fold 3 Fold 4 Fold 5 Mean
                                                                            Std
         RMSE (testset)
                           0.9848 0.9759 0.9779 0.9697 0.9820
                                                                    0.9781
                                                                            0.0052
         Fit time
                           19.79
                                   37.48
                                           19.84
                                                    18.54
                                                            18.21
                                                                    22.77
                                                                            7.38
         Test time
                           11.81
                                   15.93
                                           10.43
                                                    9.48
                                                            12.70
                                                                    12.07
                                                                            2.23
```

```
print(f'Mean RMSE Score: {knnBasicCosine df.test rmse.mean()}')
          print(f'Mean Test Time Score: {knnBasicCosine_df.test_rmse.mean()}')
           # Set label to comparitive graphing purposes
          knnBasicCosine df['model'] = 'KNN Basic - Cosine Similarity'
          knnBasicCosine df.head()
         Mean RMSE Score: 0.9780788857622049
         Mean Test Time Score: 0.9780788857622049
Out[76]:
            test_rmse
                       fit_time test_time
                                                          model
             0.984845 19.789208 11.814666 KNN Basic - Cosine Similarity
             0.975910 37.479017 15.932471 KNN Basic - Cosine Similarity
          1
             0.977875 19.842618 10.431983 KNN Basic - Cosine Similarity
         2
         3
             0.969724 18.537910
                               9.475739 KNN Basic - Cosine Similarity
             0.982041 18.206265 12.703463 KNN Basic - Cosine Similarity
         Pearson Similarity
In [32]:
          sim pearson = {'name':'pearson', 'user based':True}
           knn_pearson_basic = KNNBasic(sim_options=sim_pearson)
          knnbasic pearson results = cross validate(knn pearson basic, ratings data, measures=['R
         Computing the pearson similarity matrix...
         Done computing similarity matrix.
         Computing the pearson similarity matrix...
         Done computing similarity matrix.
         Computing the pearson similarity matrix...
         Done computing similarity matrix.
         Computing the pearson similarity matrix...
         Done computing similarity matrix.
         Computing the pearson similarity matrix...
         Done computing similarity matrix.
         Evaluating RMSE of algorithm KNNBasic on 5 split(s).
                            Fold 1 Fold 2 Fold 3 Fold 4 Fold 5 Mean
                                                                              Std
                            0.9720 0.9665 0.9707 0.9726 0.9697 0.9703
         RMSE (testset)
                                                                             0.0021
         Fit time
                            43.89
                                    29.17
                                            26.72
                                                     23.33
                                                             22.61
                                                                     29.14
                                                                              7.74
         Test time
                            11.05
                                    8.78
                                            7.70
                                                     7.50
                                                             7.40
                                                                     8.48
                                                                              1.37
In [33]:
          knnBasicPearson df = pd.DataFrame(knnbasic pearson results)
          print(f'Mean RMSE Score: {knnBasicPearson df.test rmse.mean()}')
          print(f'Mean Test Time Score: {knnBasicPearson df.test rmse.mean()}')
          # Set label to comparitive graphing purposes
          knnBasicPearson_df['model'] = 'KNN Basic - Pearson Similarity'
           knnBasicPearson df.head()
         Mean RMSE Score: 0.9703190664929284
         Mean Test Time Score: 0.9703190664929284
Out[33]:
            test_rmse
                        fit_time test_time
                                                           model
             0.971970 43.885632 11.049575 KNN Basic - Pearson Similarity
```

knnBasicCosine df = pd.DataFrame(knnbasic cosine results)

In [76]:

	test_rmse	fit_time	test_time	model
1	0.966541	29.172321	8.778908	KNN Basic - Pearson Similarity
2	0.970740	26.722861	7.698599	KNN Basic - Pearson Similarity
3	0.972601	23.329074	7.500894	KNN Basic - Pearson Similarity
4	0.969743	22.609921	7.395737	KNN Basic - Pearson Similarity

Each row indicates a fold from a five fold cross validation. Our K-Nearest Neighbor (KNN) Basic model using both pearson and cosine divides the data into 5 equal parts, leaving 1 / 5 of the parts to test on.

Between both KNN models -- the first using **cosine** similarity as a similarity metric between users and the second using **pearson** similarity, we see that the mean RMSE score for our pearson model is slightly better than the cosine model. With our pearson similarity based KNN model, we achieve a score of **0.9743** 

Comparitively, this is a better result than our baseline model RMSE score of 1.15.

### Model based CF models

Due to the sparsity observed within our rating\_matrix indicated by the amount of missing values, we will use the solution devised by Simon Funk (https://sifter.org/~simon/journal/20061211.html), which is essentially a modified version of the dimensionality reduction technique SVD (otherwise known as Simon Funk's SVD).

We will transform our rating matrix in such a way to construct principal components -transformations from our original matrix that hold the most variance (or information) regarding our
users and movies. From these components, they will make up overarching user-embedding and
movie-embedding matrices providing us more dense matrices. As a result, these can give us
predictions for the missing values seen within our original rating\_matrix.

```
# Prep param grid for gridsearch
In [34]:
         param_grid = {'n_factors':[20, 100],'n_epochs': [5, 10], 'lr_all': [0.002, 0.005],
                       'reg all': [0.4, 0.6]}
         gs model = GridSearchCV(SVD,param grid=param grid,n jobs = -1,joblib verbose=5)
         gs model.fit(ratings data)
         [Parallel(n jobs=-1)]: Using backend LokyBackend with 8 concurrent workers.
         3.3s
         [Parallel(n_jobs=-1)]: Done 56 tasks
                                                elapsed:
                                                            19.9s
         [Parallel(n_jobs=-1)]: Done 80 out of 80 | elapsed:
                                                            35.3s finished
In [35]: | # Extract best params
         best params = gs model.best params['rmse']
In [36]:
         # Peek at best params from gridsearch
         best_params
Out[36]: {'n_factors': 20, 'n_epochs': 10, 'lr_all': 0.005, 'reg_all': 0.4}
```

```
# Use test data prepared from earlier
In [37]:
          ratings test data = Dataset.load from df(X test, reader)
          # SVD Without GridSearch
In [38]:
          svd_woGS = SVD()
          # svd.fit(ratings_train_data)
          # # predictions = svd.test(ratings test data)
          # # print(accuracy.rmse(predictions))
          svd_model_woGS_results = cross_validate(svd_woGS, ratings_data, measures=['RMSE'], verb
          Evaluating RMSE of algorithm SVD on 5 split(s).
                            Fold 1 Fold 2 Fold 3 Fold 4 Fold 5
                                                                    Mean
                                                                             Std
         RMSE (testset)
                            0.8668 0.8764 0.8788 0.8801 0.8856 0.8775 0.0062
         Fit time
                            3.93
                                    4.09
                                            3.98
                                                    4.08
                                                            3.99
                                                                     4.01
                                                                             0.06
         Test time
                            0.12
                                    0.13
                                            0.14
                                                    0.14
                                                            0.23
                                                                     0.15
                                                                             0.04
          # Save model results for SVD without gridsearch
In [39]:
          svd_model_woGS_results_df = pd.DataFrame(svd_model_woGS_results)
          print(f'Mean RMSE Score: {svd_model_woGS_results_df.test_rmse.mean()}')
          print(f'Mean Test Time Score: {svd_model_woGS_results_df.test_rmse.mean()}')
          # Set label to comparitive graphing purposes
          svd model woGS results df['model'] = 'SVD without GridSearch'
          svd_model_woGS_results_df.head()
         Mean RMSE Score: 0.8775459056364191
         Mean Test Time Score: 0.8775459056364191
            test_rmse
Out[39]:
                     fit_time test_time
                                                     model
             0.866823 3.926856
                              0.125000 SVD without GridSearch
          0
             0.876374 4.087801
                               0.125053 SVD without GridSearch
             0.878757 3.981974
                               0.138848 SVD without GridSearch
             0.880149 4.079954
                               0.135044 SVD without GridSearch
          3
             0.885626 3.990049
                              0.226993 SVD without GridSearch
          # SVD With GridSearch
In [40]:
          svd = SVD(n_factors=20, n_epochs=10, lr_all=0.005, reg_all=0.4)
          # svd.fit(ratings_train_data)
          # # predictions = svd.test(ratings_test_data)
          # # print(accuracy.rmse(predictions))
          svd model results = cross validate(svd, ratings data, measures=['RMSE'], verbose=True)
         Evaluating RMSE of algorithm SVD on 5 split(s).
                            Fold 1 Fold 2 Fold 3 Fold 4 Fold 5
                                                                    Mean
                                                                             Std
         RMSE (testset)
                            0.8888
                                    0.8889
                                            0.8862
                                                    0.8917 0.8916
                                                                    0.8894
                                                                             0.0021
         Fit time
                                                            0.91
                            0.94
                                    0.91
                                            0.91
                                                    0.94
                                                                     0.92
                                                                             0.01
         Test time
                            0.12
                                    0.13
                                            0.13
                                                             0.20
                                                                             0.03
                                                    0.12
                                                                     0.14
          svd model results df = pd.DataFrame(svd model results)
In [41]:
          print(f'Mean RMSE Score: {svd_model_results_df.test_rmse.mean()}')
          print(f'Mean Test Time Score: {svd_model_results_df.test_rmse.mean()}')
          # Set label to comparitive graphing purposes
```

```
svd_model_results_df.head()
          Mean RMSE Score: 0.8894374962841616
          Mean Test Time Score: 0.8894374962841616
Out[41]:
                       fit_time test_time
             test_rmse
                                                      model
          0
              0.888784 0.936018
                                 0.119299 SVD with GridSearch
              0.888937 0.906260
                                 0.125007 SVD with GridSearch
          1
                                 0.125002 SVD with GridSearch
          2
              0.886158 0.906235
                                 0.124983 SVD with GridSearch
          3
              0.891725 0.937504
              0.891583 0.910768
                                 0.203131 SVD with GridSearch
         Combine model results
           # Concat model results
In [77]:
           modelResults_df = pd.concat([baselineModel_df,
                                           cfMeanModel df,
                                           knnBasicCosine df,
                                           knnBasicPearson df,
                                           svd_model_results_df,
                                           svd_model_woGS_results_df])
           # Peek at data
           modelResults_df.head()
Out[77]:
             test_rmse
                         fit time
                                  test_time
                                                                       model
              1.153123
                                                                Baseline Model
          0
                            NaN
                                      NaN
              0.880733
                                            Collaborative Filter Simple Mean Model
          0
                            NaN
                                      NaN
              0.984845
                       19.789208
                                 11.814666
                                                     KNN Basic - Cosine Similarity
              0.975910 37.479017 15.932471
                                                     KNN Basic - Cosine Similarity
              0.977875 19.842618 10.431983
                                                     KNN Basic - Cosine Similarity
In [78]:
           # Aggregate test rmse per model
           modelAgg_testRMSE = pd.DataFrame( modelResults_df.groupby('model')['test_rmse'].mean()
           # Round RMSE Score for plotting purposes
           modelAgg_testRMSE['test_rmse'] = modelAgg_testRMSE['test_rmse'].map(lambda x: round(x,
           modelAgg testRMSE
Out[78]:
                                        model test_rmse
          0
                                 Baseline Model
                                                   1.153
             Collaborative Filter Simple Mean Model
                                                   0.881
          2
                      KNN Basic - Cosine Similarity
                                                   0.978
```

0.970

KNN Basic - Pearson Similarity

svd model results df['model'] = 'SVD with GridSearch'

	model	test_rmse
4	SVD with GridSearch	0.889
5	SVD without GridSearch	0.878

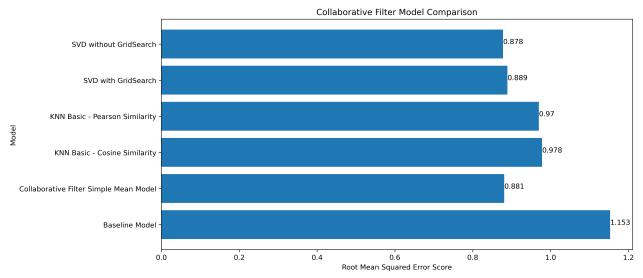
```
In [79]: # Plot results
plt.figure(figsize=(12,6),dpi=300)

test_rmse_scores = list(modelAgg_testRMSE.test_rmse)
x_labels = list(modelAgg_testRMSE.model)

plt.barh(x_labels,test_rmse_scores)
plt.ylabel('Model')
plt.xlabel('Root Mean Squared Error Score')
plt.title('Collaborative Filter Model Comparison')

for index, value in enumerate(test_rmse_scores):
    plt.text(value, index, str(value))

# Savefig
plt.savefig('CollaborativeFilterModelComparison.jpg',dpi=300, bbox_inches = 'tight')
```



The visual above showcases the mean RMSE score (through 5 cross-validation folds of the user-rating data) per collaborative filter model. Based on the results, the SVD without gridsearch parameter tuning CF model performed best with a mean RMSE score of 0.878. For our hybrid model, we will move forward with the SVD without GridSearch model.

### **Content Based Filter**

In this section we will aim to address the **cold-start problem** in which our recommender does not contain past data or information of what a user has rated before, and hence no information about a user's taste or preferences for movies.

With a content based filter (similar to Netflix), a user is asked to input / mark movies they do like, and return the most similar results. By most similar results, we can create a content based filter model using the provided metadata from GroupLens

- 1. Metadata-based recommender
- Compare genres, and taglines
- Create single document vectors per movie based on title, tags, and genres
- Compute similarity scores
- Build metadata recommender function

```
In [45]: # Create genres_tags_df to collect the genres and tags for our content based filter mod
genres_tags_df = pd.merge( movies_df, ratings_df, how='left', on='movieId' )

# Remove unneeded column
genres_tags_df.drop(['timestamp','userId','rating'],axis=1,inplace=True)

# Drop duplicates
genres_tags_df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)

# Peek data
genres_tags_df.head()
```

```
movield
                                                    title
Out[45]:
                                                                                               genres
              0
                        1
                                          Toy Story (1995) Adventure|Animation|Children|Comedy|Fantasy
                        2
                                                                             Adventure|Children|Fantasy
            215
                                           Jumanji (1995)
            325
                        3
                                 Grumpier Old Men (1995)
                                                                                     Comedy|Romance
            377
                        4
                                  Waiting to Exhale (1995)
                                                                              Comedy|Drama|Romance
            384
                        5 Father of the Bride Part II (1995)
                                                                                              Comedy
```

```
In [46]: # Group tags to join to genres_tags_df
grouped_tags = pd.DataFrame(tags_df.groupby('movieId').apply(lambda x: ','.join(x.tag))
grouped_tags.reset_index(inplace=True)
grouped_tags.rename(columns={0:'tags'},inplace=True)
grouped_tags.head()
```

```
Out [46]: movield tags

0 1 pixar,pixar,fun

1 2 fantasy,magic board game,Robin Williams,game

2 3 moldy,old

3 5 pregnancy,remake

4 7 remake
```

```
In [47]: # Combine the tags to genres
genres_tags_df = pd.merge( genres_tags_df, grouped_tags, on='movieId',how='inner' )
genres_tags_df.head()
```

 Out [47]:
 movield
 title
 genres
 tags

 0
 1
 Toy Story (1995)
 Adventure|Animation|Children|Comedy|Fantasy
 pixar,pixar,fun

```
movield
                                      title
                                                                                                     tags
                                                                             genres
                                                                                        fantasy, magic board
           1
                    2
                              Jumanji (1995)
                                                            Adventure|Children|Fantasy
                                                                                               game,Robin
                                                                                             Williams, game
                           Grumpier Old Men
                    3
          2
                                                                    Comedy|Romance
                                                                                                 moldy,old
                                     (1995)
                       Father of the Bride Part
           3
                                                                            Comedy
                                                                                          pregnancy,remake
                                   II (1995)
                    7
                              Sabrina (1995)
                                                                    Comedy|Romance
                                                                                                   remake
           genres_tags_df.title.map(lambda x: x.split(' ('))
In [48]:
                                        [Toy Story, 1995)]
          0
Out[48]:
           1
                                          [Jumanji, 1995)]
                                [Grumpier Old Men, 1995)]
          3
                   [Father of the Bride Part II, 1995)]
                                          [Sabrina, 1995)]
           4
          1567
                                       [Game Night, 2018)]
          1568
                                     [Tomb Raider, 2018)]
                                      [Deadpool 2, 2018)]
          1569
                        [Solo: A Star Wars Story, 2018)]
          1570
          1571
                              [Gintama: The Movie, 2010)]
          Name: title, Length: 1572, dtype: object
           # Remove the year from the title string
In [49]:
           genres tags df['title'] = genres tags df['title'].map(lambda x: x.split(' (')[0])
           # Clean genres and tags column and create new document column
           genres_tags_df['genres'] = genres_tags_df['genres'].map(lambda x: x.replace('|',' '))
           genres tags df['tags'] = genres tags df['tags'].map(lambda x: x.replace(',',''))
           genres_tags_df['movie_document'] = genres_tags_df['genres']+' '+genres_tags_df['tags']
           genres_tags_df.head()
Out[49]:
             movield
                              title
                                                                                          movie_document
                                                   genres
                                                                            tags
                                                                                       Adventure Animation
                                       Adventure Animation
           0
                    1
                                                                                    Children Comedy Fantasy
                          Toy Story
                                                                    pixar pixar fun
                                   Children Comedy Fantasy
                                                                                                      pi...
                                                               fantasy magic board
                                        Adventure Children
                                                                                  Adventure Children Fantasy
                           Jumanji
           1
                    2
                                                               game Robin Williams
                                                  Fantasy
                                                                                       fantasy magic board...
                                                                           game
                          Grumpier
                                                                                    Comedy Romance moldy
                                                                       moldy old
           2
                    3
                                         Comedy Romance
                          Old Men
                                                                                                      old
                       Father of the
                    5
           3
                                                  Comedy
                                                                 pregnancy remake
                                                                                  Comedy pregnancy remake
                        Bride Part II
```

Comedy Romance

remake

Comedy Romance remake

7

Sabrina

```
# Create tfidf matrix from newly created movie document column
          tfidf_matrix = tfidf.fit_transform(genres_tags_df['movie_document'])
          # Check out shapre of matrix
          tfidf matrix.shape
Out[50]: (1572, 1748)
          # Compute the cosine similarity matrix using linear_kernel
In [51]:
          movie cosine sim = linear kernel(tfidf matrix, tfidf matrix)
          # Create mapping of indices to titles for sorting of movie cosine sim given a movie tit
In [52]:
          indices = pd.Series(genres_tags_df.index, index=genres_tags_df['title']).drop_duplicate
          def content_rec_model(movie_title, movie_cosine_sim=movie_cosine_sim, genres_tags_df=ge
In [53]:
              # Obtain the index of the movie that matches the movie title
              idx = indices[movie title]
              # Get the pairwsie similarity scores of all movies with that movie
              sim_scores = list(enumerate(movie_cosine_sim[idx]))
              # Sort the movies based on the cosine similarity scores
              sim scores = sorted(sim scores, key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)
              # Get the scores of the 10 most similar movies. Ignore the first movie.
              sim_scores = sim_scores[1:11]
              # Get the movie indices
              movie indices = [i[0] for i in sim scores]
              # Return the top 10 most similar movies
              return genres_tags_df['title'].iloc[movie_indices]
          # Get top 10 content based recommendations from a given title -- 'Toy Story'
In [54]:
          content_rec_model('Toy Story')
         544
                                    Bug's Life, A
Out[54]:
                                      Toy Story 2
         666
         1427
                                           Sintel
         1444
         1524
                        Guardians of the Galaxy 2
         1281
                                 Cat Returns, The
         1274
                          Kiki's Delivery Service
         248
                              Alice in Wonderland
                 Sinbad: Legend of the Seven Seas
         1033
                         Who Framed Roger Rabbit?
         643
         Name: title, dtype: object
```

Given an input of the *Toy Story* movie, we are able to observe that 6 out of 10 of the most similar movies are in fact Disney movies. The top 3 movies found most similar to *Toy Story* are also found to be a part of Pixar studios. If a user is watching or have watched *Toy Story*, they may have a penchant for animated movies or Disney movies in general. For either reason, the our content based model may not accurately capture those preferences.

In our hybrid model, we will aim to incorporate movies our user have rated in the past to tune the recommendations and deliver a clear line between a preference for Disney movies, animated movies, or something else.

## **Hybrid Model**

In this approach, we will use both out content based filtering model, as well as our collaborative filter model to

- 1. Take in a movie title, and a user id as input
- 2. Use the content based filter to output X top movies, similar to the movie title
- 3. Use the collaborative filter model to predict the ratings the given user may rate the top X movies

```
In [55]:
          # Instantiate reader to reader load data into surprise API
          reader = Reader()
          # Load previously preapred movieRatings_df to read as surprise dataframe object
          ratings_data = Dataset.load_from_df(movieRatings_df, reader)
          # Create training set from ratings data
          movie_trainset = ratings_data.build_full_trainset()
          # Use svd model and params determined during grid search exercise
In [56]:
          svd_hybrid = SVD(n_factors=20, n_epochs=10, lr_all=0.005, reg_all=0.4)
          # Fit on ratings data defined above
          svd_hybrid.fit(movie_trainset)
Out[56]: <surprise.prediction_algorithms.matrix_factorization.SVD at 0x23ff7d1f820>
In [80]:
          def hybrid model(userid, movie title, top n):
              # Use indices movie title mapping
              idx = indices[movie title]
              # Retrieve movieId using movie title
              movieid = genres_tags_df[genres_tags_df['title']==movie_title]['movieId'].item()
              # Get the pairwsie similarity scores of all movies with that movie
              sim_scores = list(enumerate(movie_cosine_sim[idx]))
              # Sort the movies based on the cosine similarity scores
              sim scores = sorted(sim scores, key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)
              # Get the scores of the top_n most similar movies
              sim_scores = sim_scores[1:top_n+1]
              # Store the cosine_sim indices of the top_n movies in a list
              movie_indices = [i[0] for i in sim_scores]
              # Filter for top_n movies most similar (defined by movie_indices)
              movies_rec = genres_tags_df.iloc[movie_indices]
              # Get predicted ratings, access predicted rating at index 3
              movies_rec['predict'] = movies_rec['movieId'].map(lambda x: svd_hybrid.predict(x, u
              # Sort movies in descending order according to predicted rating value
              movies_rec = movies_rec.sort_values('predict', ascending=False)
```

```
# Return the top 10 movie recs
                 return movies rec[['title','predict']].head(10)
            hybrid_model(1,'Toy Story',30)
In [115...
Out[115...
                                     title
                                            predict
            922
                             Spirited Away
                                          4.569530
           1427
                                          4.467934
           1011
                   Laputa: Castle in the Sky 4.464766
            613
                            Iron Giant, The 4.434395
            947
                      My Neighbor Totoro 4.412023
            812
                                    Shrek 4.379998
            666
                               Toy Story 2 4.358061
           1274
                      Kiki's Delivery Service 4.352397
                  Guardians of the Galaxy 2 4.325302
           1524
           1497
                          The Lego Movie 4.320881
            hybrid model(448, 'Toy Story', 30)
In [114...
Out[114...
                                     title
                                            predict
            922
                            Spirited Away 3.116303
           1427
                                      Up
                                          3.015371
           1011
                   Laputa: Castle in the Sky 3.012288
            613
                            Iron Giant, The 2.982639
            947
                      My Neighbor Totoro 2.960604
            812
                                    Shrek 2.927080
            666
                               Toy Story 2 2.905760
           1274
                      Kiki's Delivery Service 2.905352
           1524
                  Guardians of the Galaxy 2 2.881467
```

Based on the predicted ratings between user ID 1 and user ID 488 -- it is apparent that user 1 has a higher preference for the movies found similar to *Toy Story* compared to user 448. For the top 10 movies most similar to *Toy Story*, user 1 rated the movies with an average 1.5 higher than user 448.

The Lego Movie 2.871004

1497

In the case for user 1, they may be watching *Toy Story* and given their higher ratings for similar movies, the content based model may be appropriate to serve a new movie recommendation. On the other hand, for user 448, while they did watch *Toy Story*, they rated the other similar movies lower. One could assume in addition to *Toy Story*, user 448 may have other genres they are interested in, therefore we may want to rely on collaborative filtering to identify similar users and

recommend movies they like, and user 448 have not watched. Between both users, we are able to employ content and collaborative filter models to serve a recommendation.