

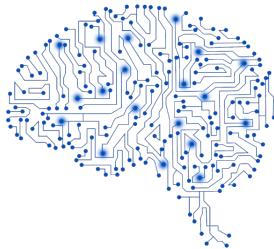
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# Recommendation System

## Part I: Basic Concepts

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# Outline

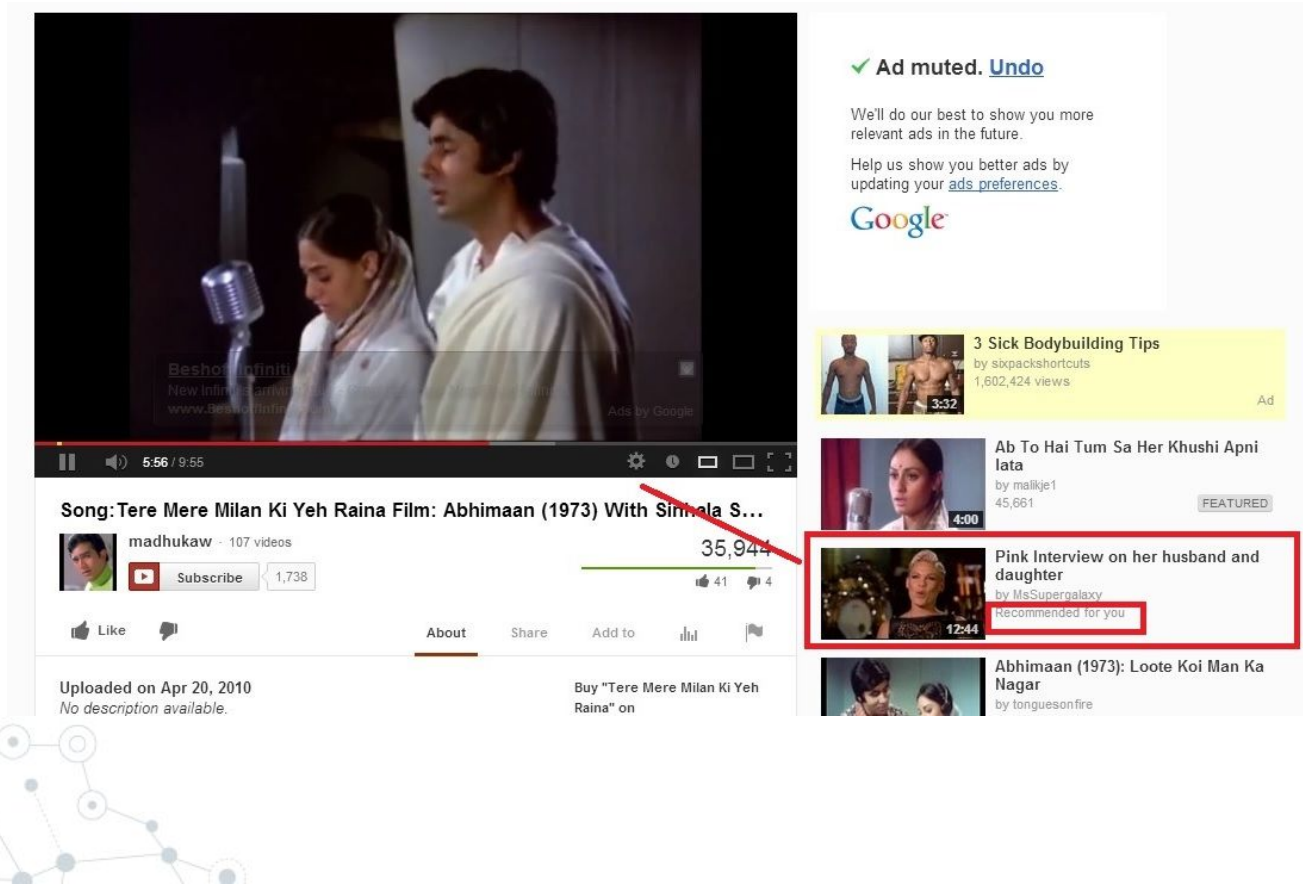
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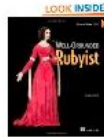
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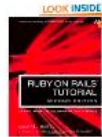
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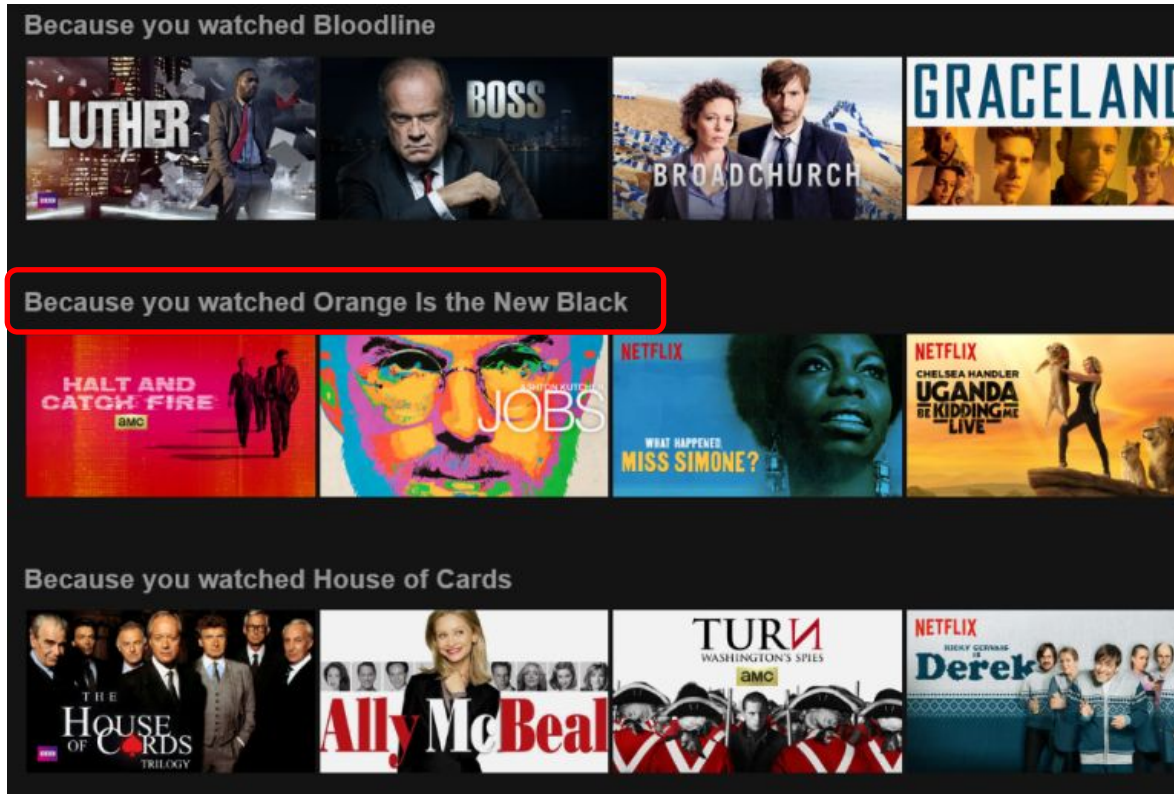
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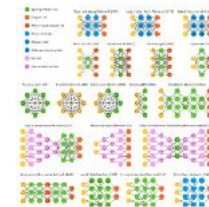
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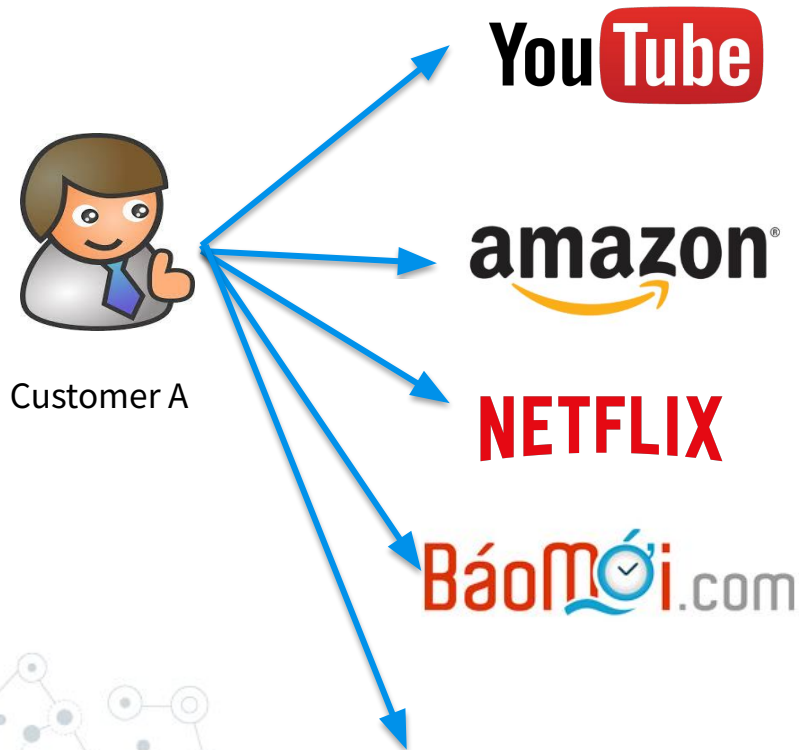




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# **Introduction to Recommendation Systems**

# Item, User & Behavior



Behavior

Click, Like/Dislike,  
Comment, Search

Search, Click, Add-to-cart,  
Purchase, Review, Rate

Search, Click, Rate,  
Like

Search, Read, Duration,  
Comment

...

Item

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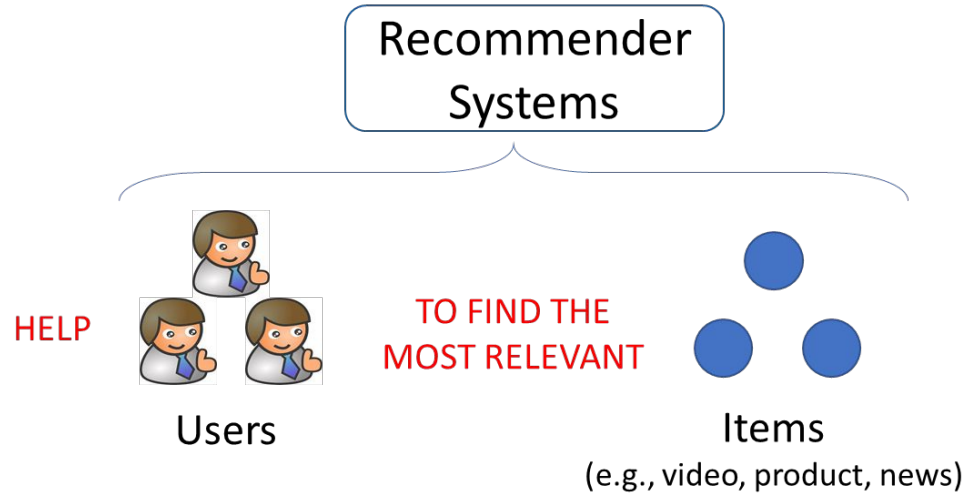


# Why do we need Recommendation?



**Millions  
of Items ...**

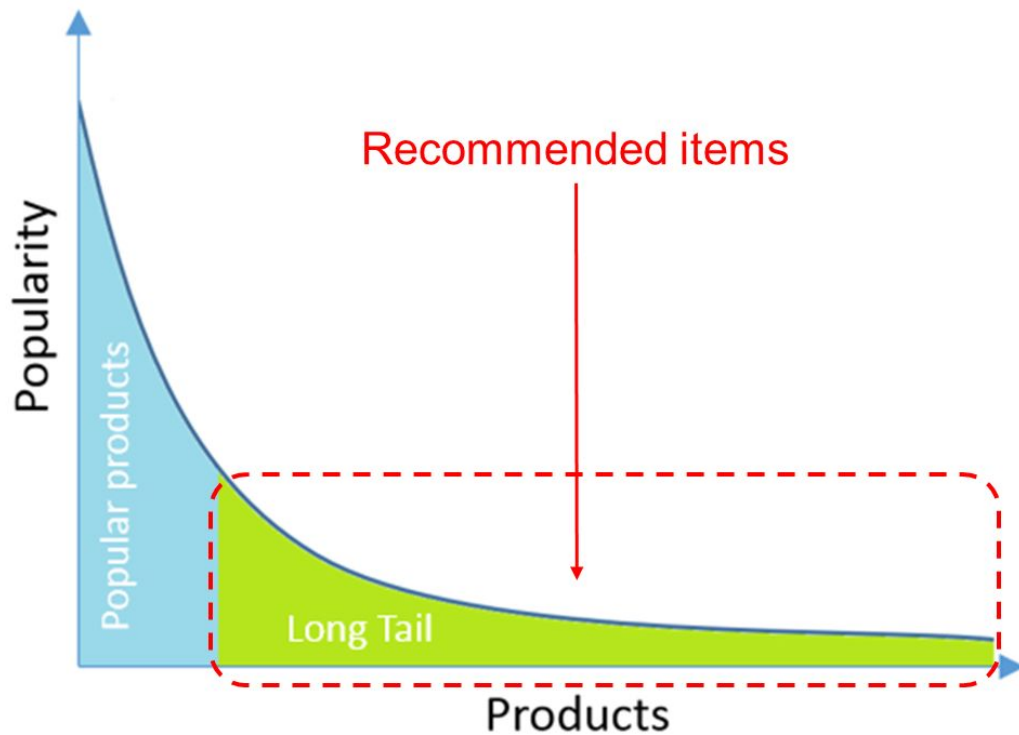
# Roles of Recommendation Systems



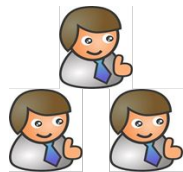
Advantages of RS:

Enterprise Perspective	Customer Perspective
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reduce search costs</li><li>• Increase customer satisfaction</li><li>• Educate customers about product domains.</li><li>• Optimize sales and profit</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Easy to find what he/she might want</li><li>• Having an assistant in websites/systems</li></ul>

# Long-tail Recommendation



# How does RS work?



Users

**Observed Behaviors**  
(e.g., Click, Rate, etc.)



Recommender  
Systems



User Preference  
(Patterns)



Top-K



Relevance

Ranked Item List

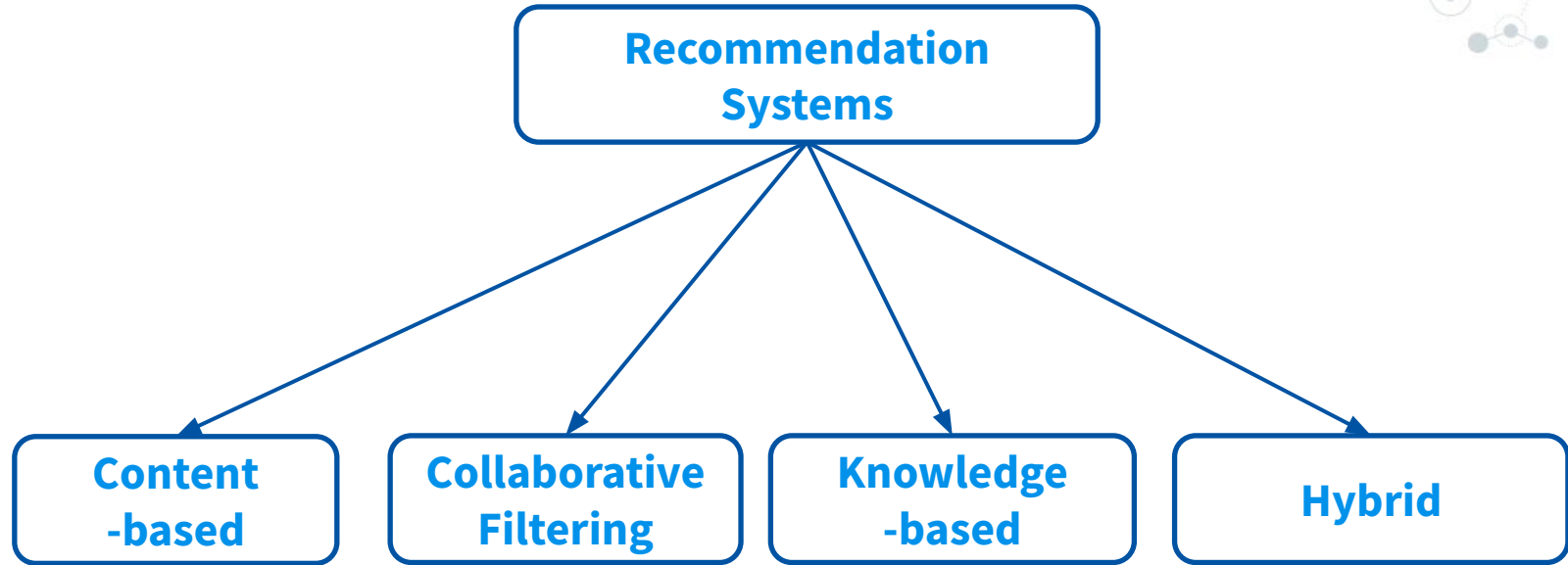
Top-K  
Recommendation



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# Types of Recommendation Systems

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# Personalized Recommendation




User profile &  
contextual parameters

**Main idea:** Recommendation is  
customized for each user



Recommendation  
component



item	score
i1	0.9
i2	1
i3	0.3
...	...

Recommendation  
list

# Content-based Recommendation (1)

**Main idea:** Recommended items are similar to what a user adopted

  
User profile &  
contextual parameters

Title	Genre	Actors	...

Product features



Recommendation  
component

item	score
i1	0.9
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list



# Content-based Recommendation (2)



WD Blue 1TB SATA 6 Gb/s 7200 RPM  
64MB Cache 3.5 Inch Desktop Hard  
Drive (WD10EZEX)

Add to Cart



Seagate 1TB BarraCuda SATA 6Gb/s  
7200 RPM 64MB Cache 3.5 Inch  
Desktop Hard Drive (ST1000DM010)

Add to Cart



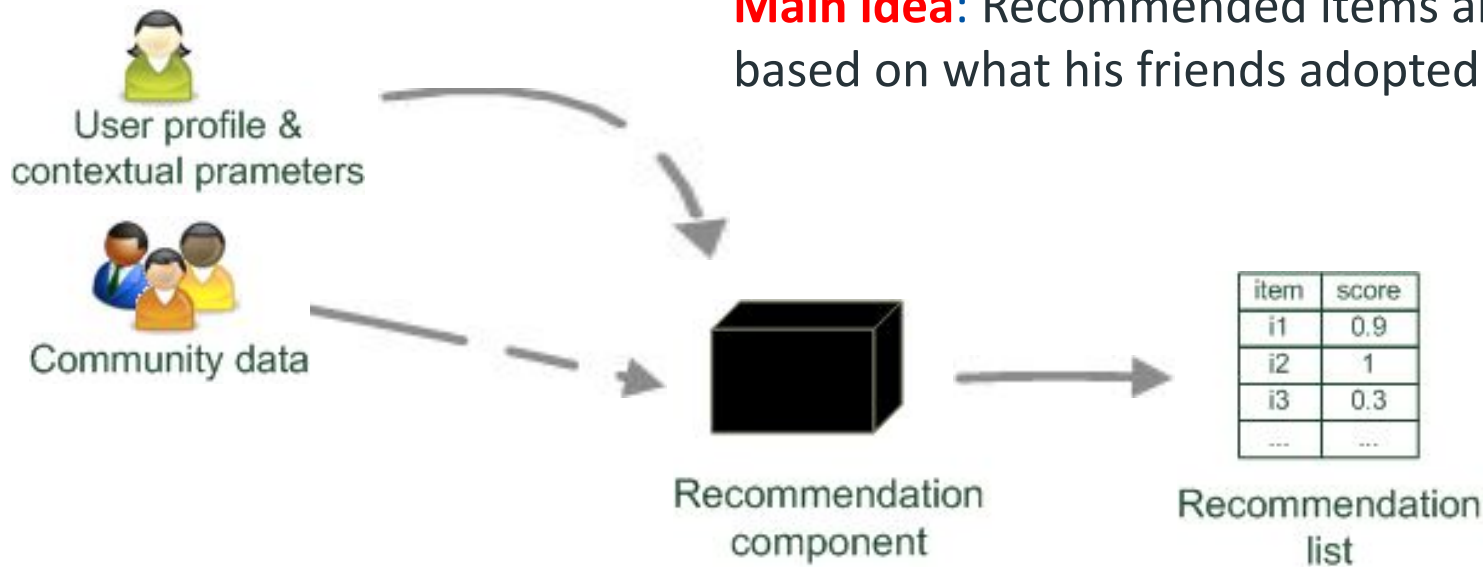
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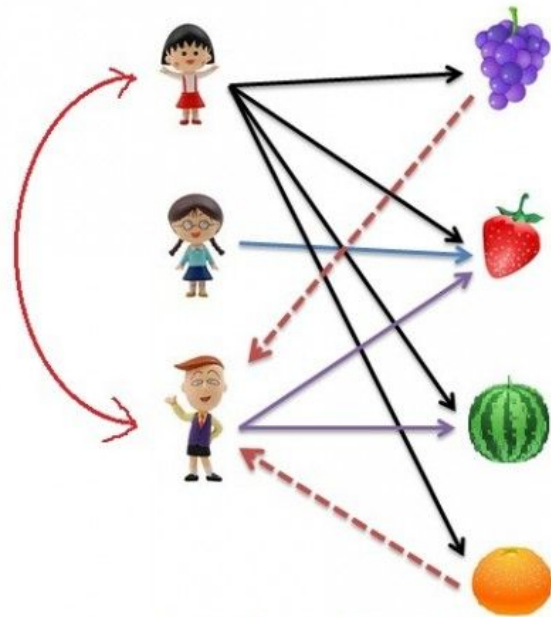
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# Collaborative Filtering (1)

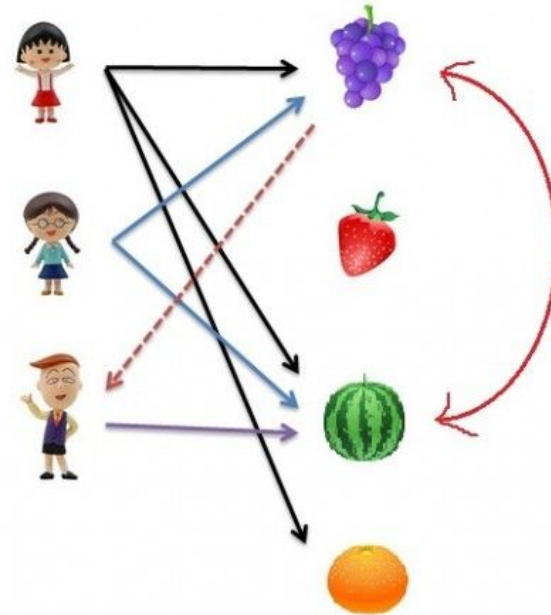
**Main idea:** Recommended items are based on what his friends adopted



# Collaborative Filtering (2)

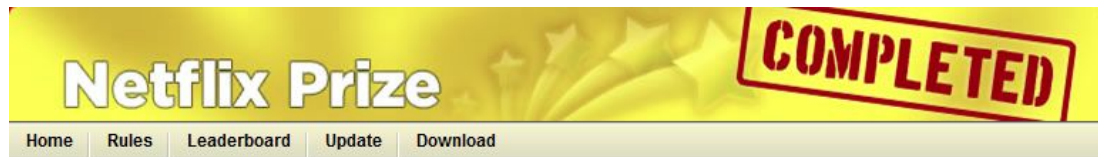


User-based filtering



Item-based filtering

# Netflix Prize



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Rank	Team Name	Best Test Score	% Improvement	Best Submit Time
Grand Prize - RMSE = 0.8567 - Winning Team: BellKor's Pragmatic Chaos				
1	<a href="#">BellKor's Pragmatic Chaos</a>	0.8567	10.06	
2	<a href="#">The Ensemble</a>	0.8567	10.06	
3	<a href="#">Grand Prize Team</a>	0.8582	9.90	
4	<a href="#">Opera Solutions and Vandelay United</a>	0.8588	9.84	
5	<a href="#">Vandelay Industries !</a>	0.8591	9.81	
6	<a href="#">PragmaticTheory</a>	0.8594	9.77	
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8	<a href="#">Dace</a>	0.8612	9.59	

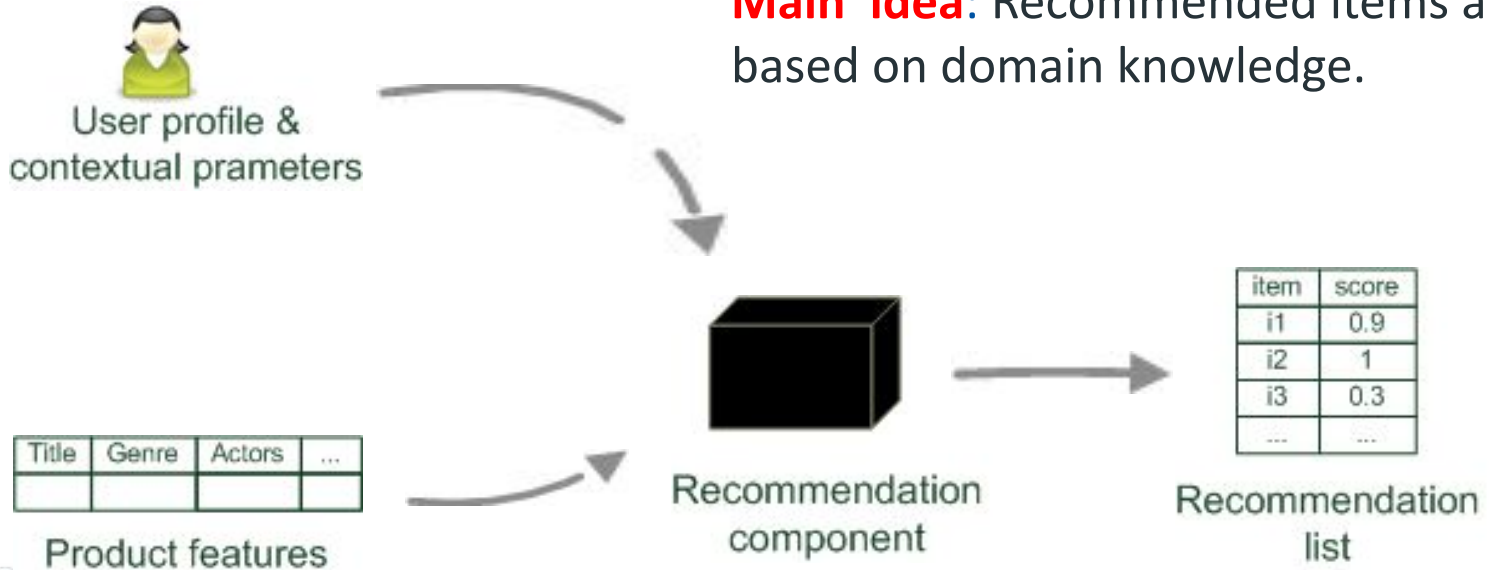
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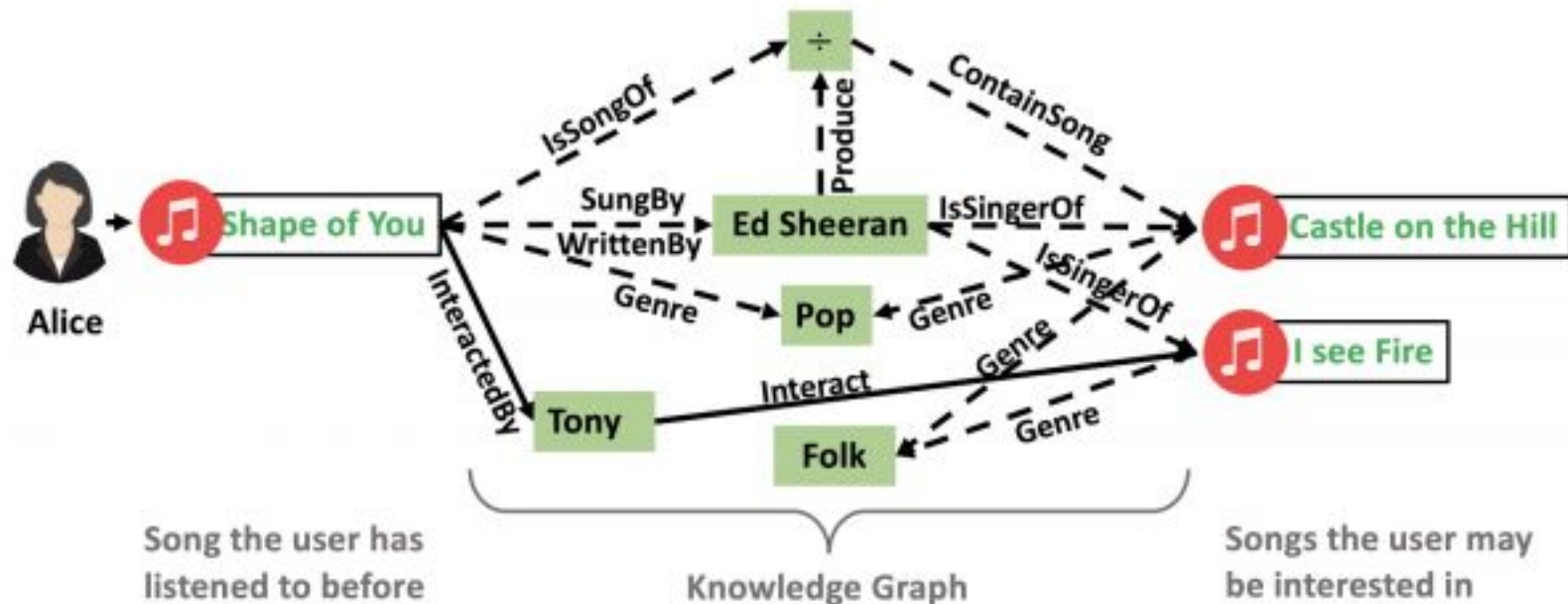


# Knowledge-based Recommendation (1)

**Main idea:** Recommended items are based on domain knowledge.

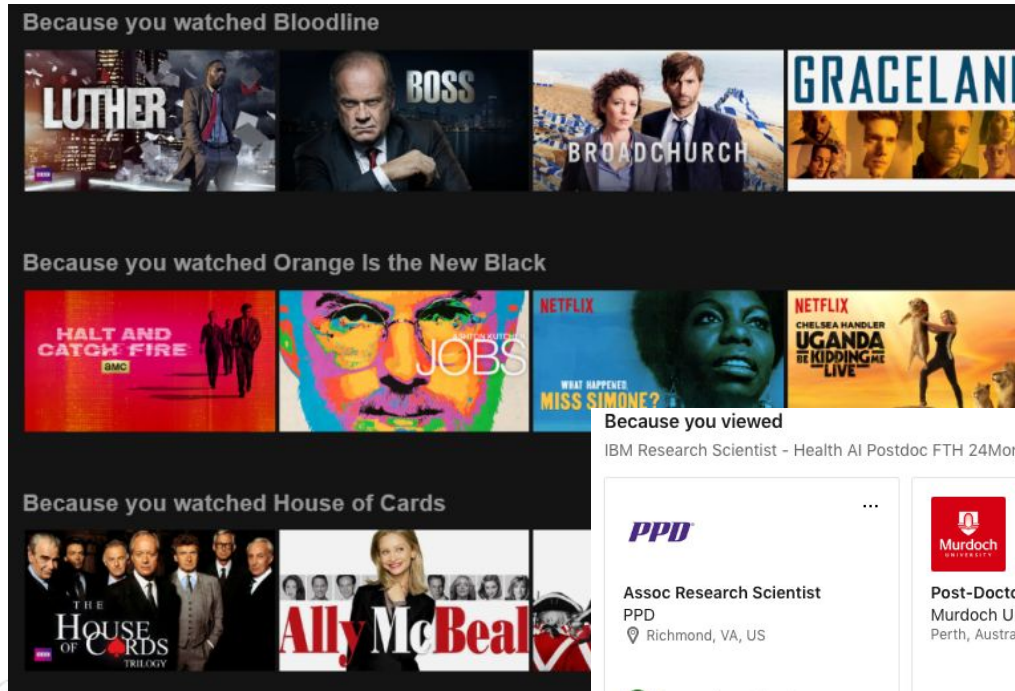


# Knowledge-based Recommendation (2)





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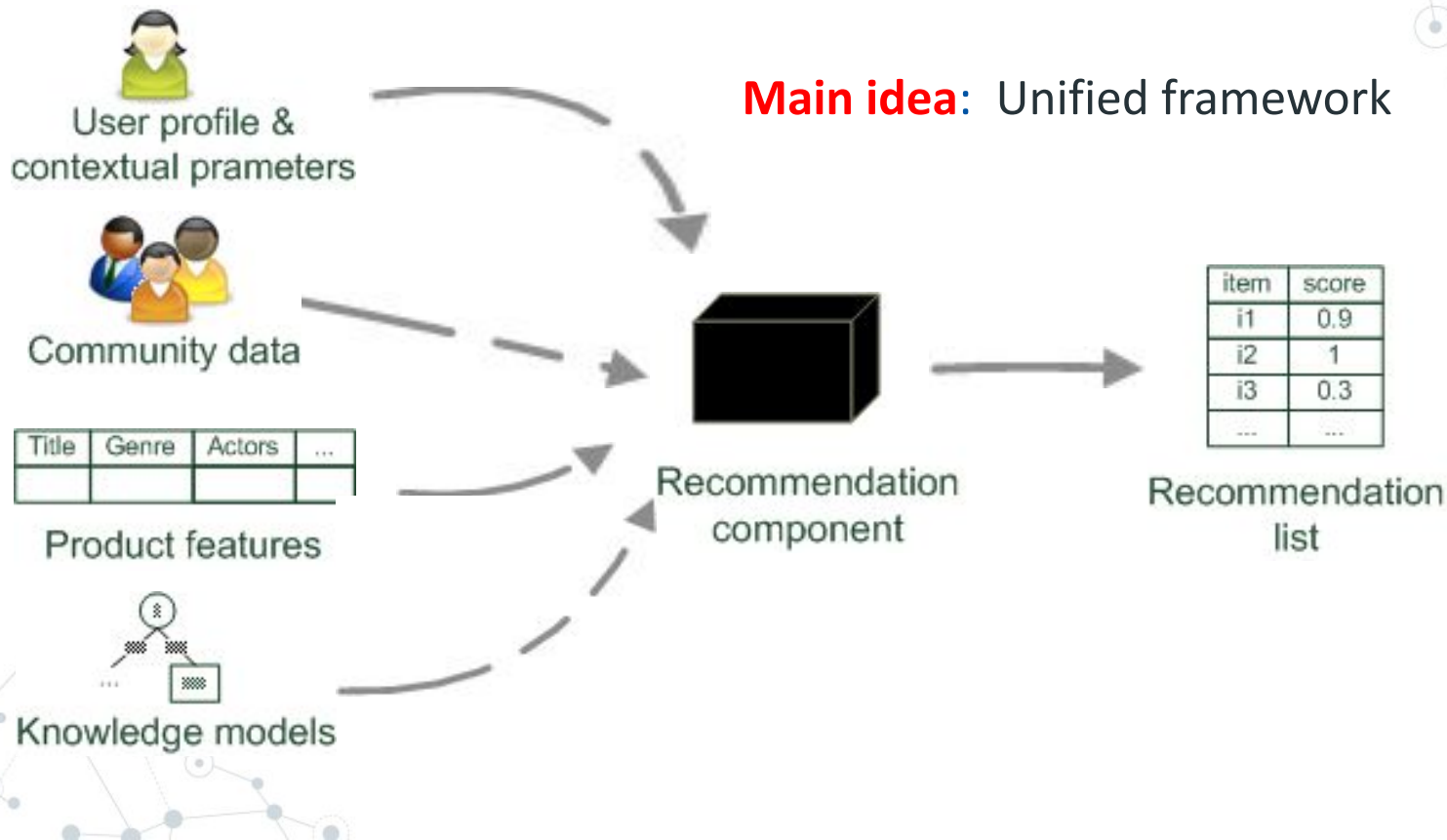
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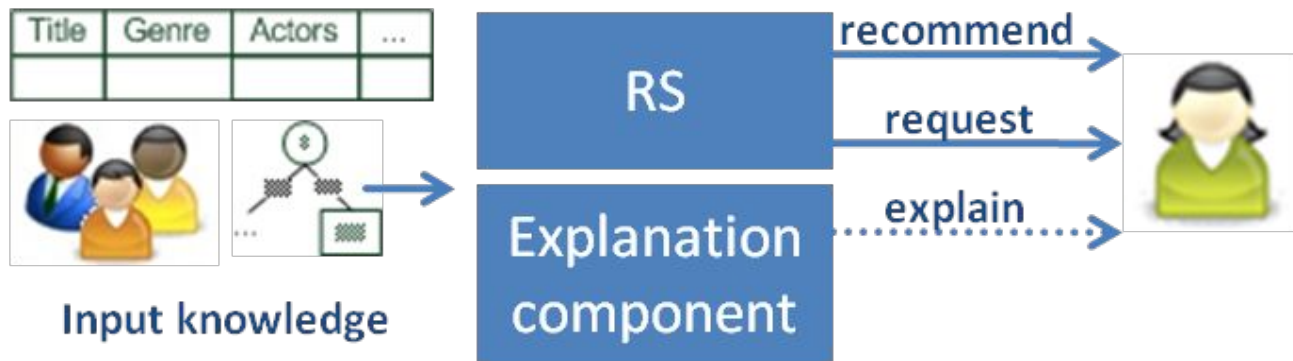
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# Hybrid Recommendation





# Explainable Recommendation



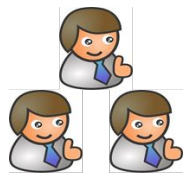
**Main idea:** Recommendation with explanation



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# Learning Principles

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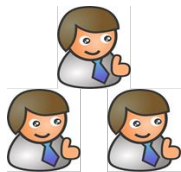


Relevance

Ranked Item List

Top-K  
Recommendation

# Top-K Recommendation



Users

**Main idea**: Learning **user preferences** via modeling **associations** to generate **top-K recommendations**.

**Observed Data:**  
User-Item & Item-Item  
Associations



Recommender  
Systems



User Preference



Top-K

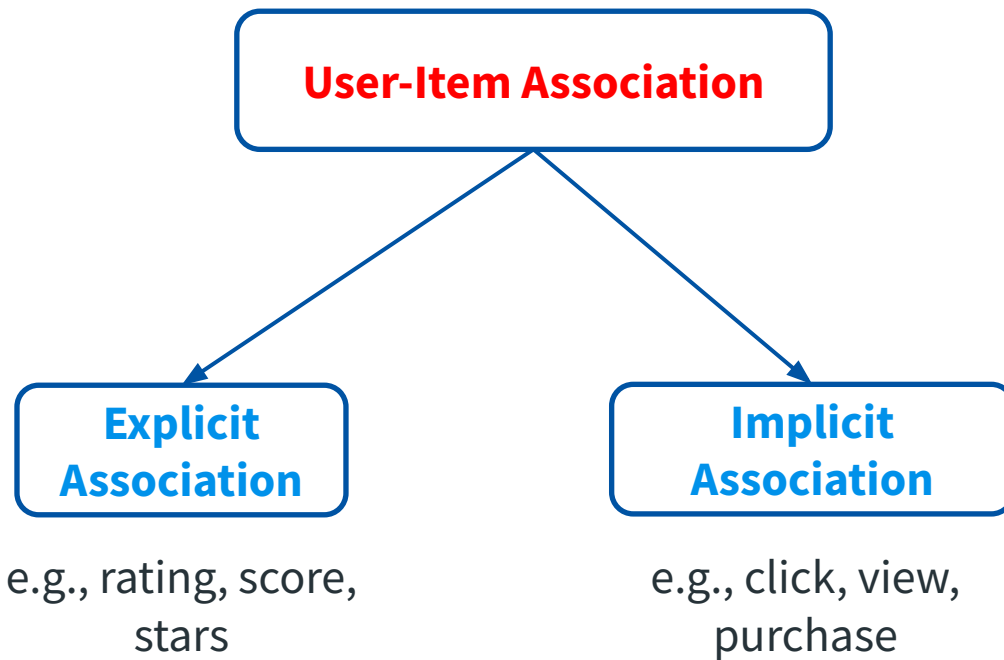


Relevance

Ranked Item List

Items

# User-Item Association



# Explicit Association-based Recommendation

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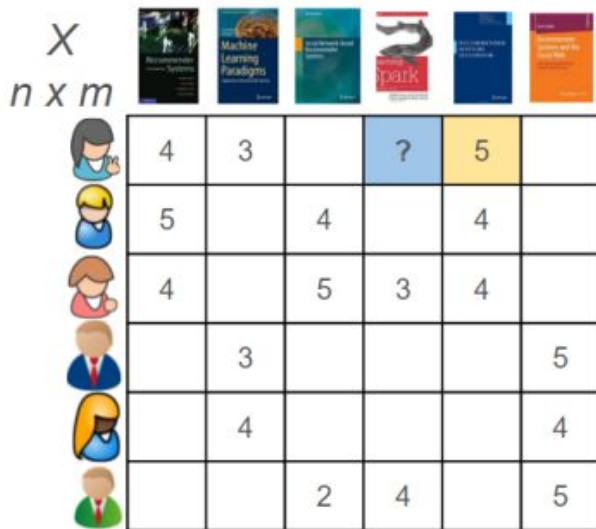
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	4				4
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Could we  
estimate  
unknown  
ratings?

**Main idea:** Recommended items are high rating ones.

# Rating Prediction

$X$   
 $n \times m$

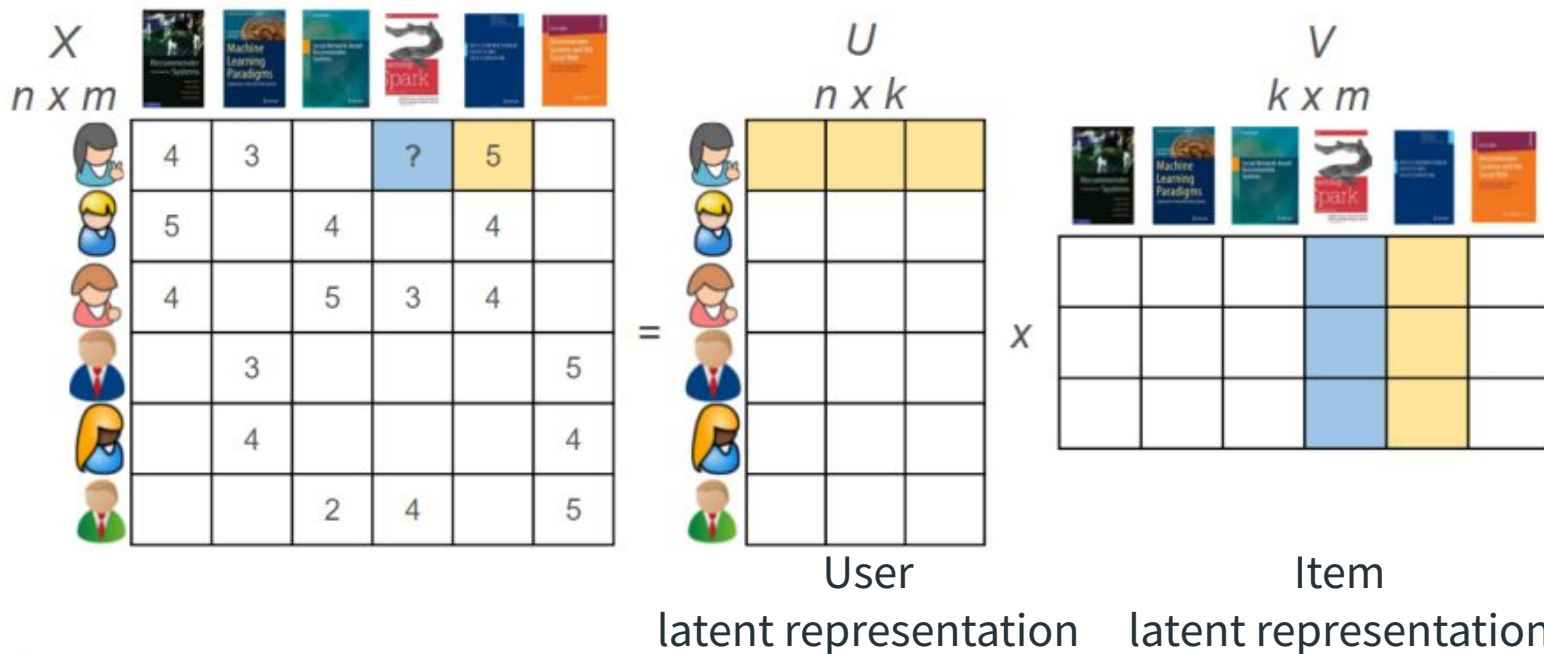


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$$\hat{y}_{i,u} = \frac{\sum_{u_j \in \mathcal{N}(u,i)} \bar{y}_{i,u_j} \text{sim}(u, u_j)}{\sum_{u_j \in \mathcal{N}(u,i)} |\text{sim}(u, u_j)|}$$

**Main idea:** Rating is computed via similar users.

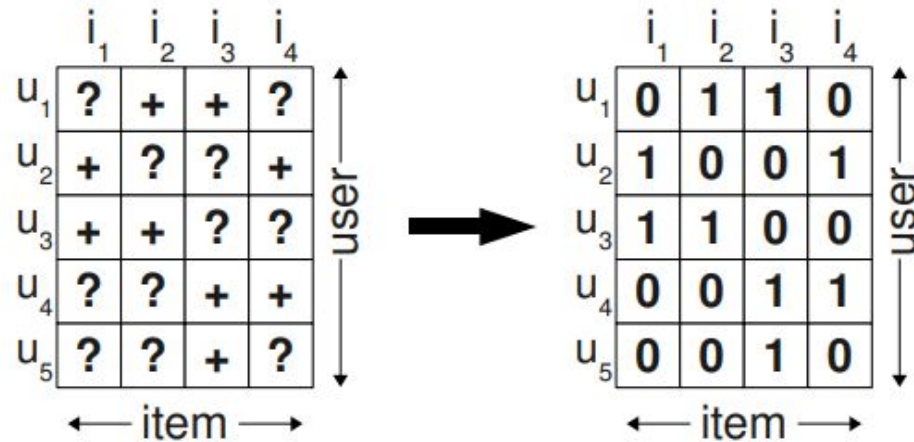
# Rating Prediction with Matrix Factorization



**Learning Objective:** Minimize  $(X_{ij} - U_i \times V_j^T)^2 + \lambda(||U||_2 + ||V||_2)$

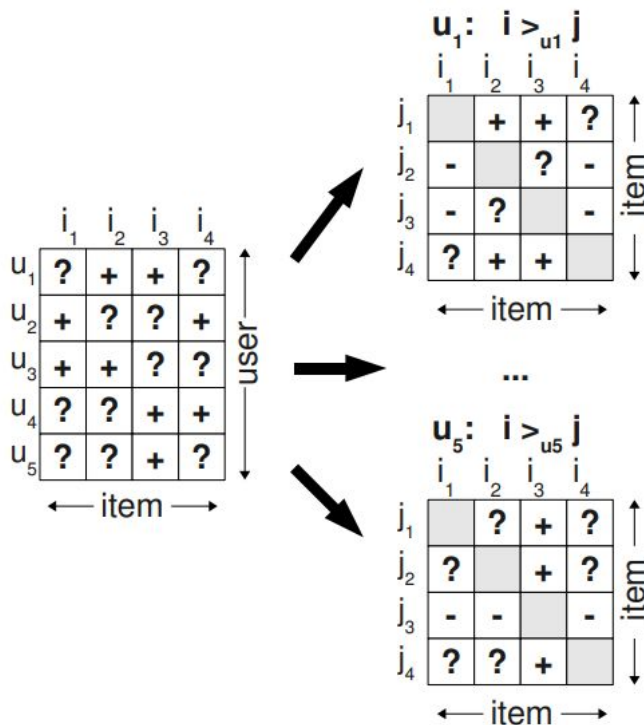


# Implicit Association-based Recommendation



**Main idea:** Recommended items are popular (Counting)

# Bayesian Personalized Ranking (BPR)



$$\prod_{u \in U} p(>_u | \Theta) = \prod_{(u, i, j) \in D_S} p(i >_u j | \Theta)$$

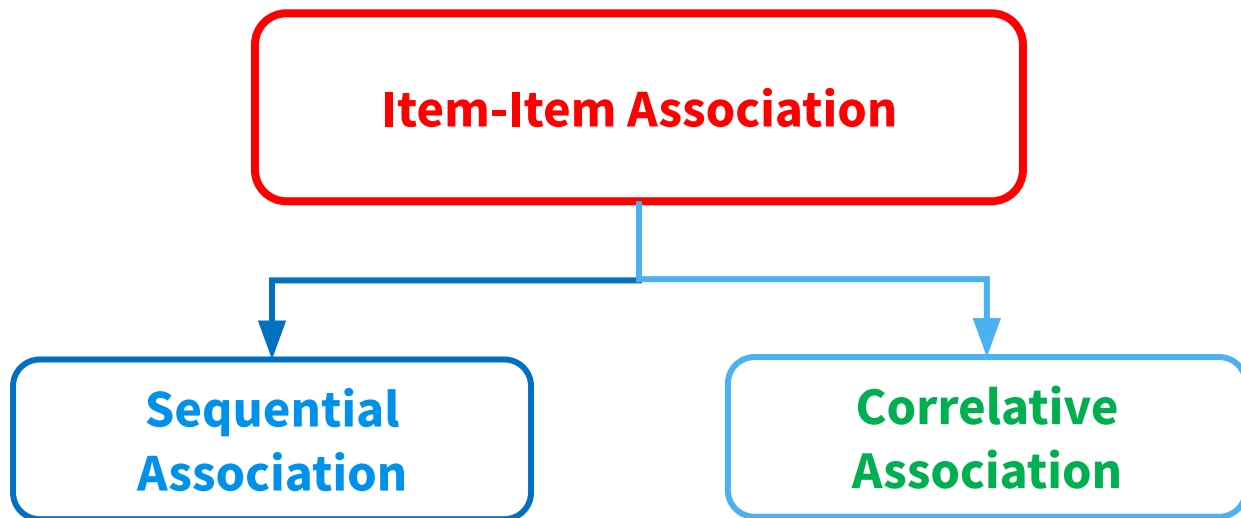
$$p(i >_u j | \Theta) := \sigma(\hat{x}_{uij}(\Theta))$$

$$\hat{x}_{uij} := \hat{x}_{ui} - \hat{x}_{uj}$$

**Main idea:** Learn the relative ranking for each user

# Item-Item Association

**Hypothesis:** The adoption of a user on an item might be influenced by his past adoptions on other items.



# Correlative Association

**Data:** Basket – Items are adopted at the same time.



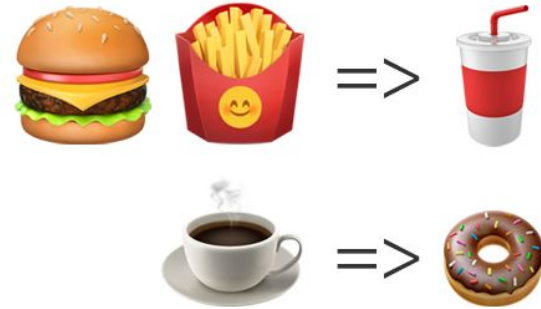
**Hypothesis:** Items within the same basket are correlated, refers to as *correlative dependencies*.

# Association Rule-based Recommendation



Orders	Products	Users	Timeframe
+3M	+50K	+200K	1 Year

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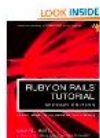
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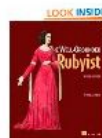
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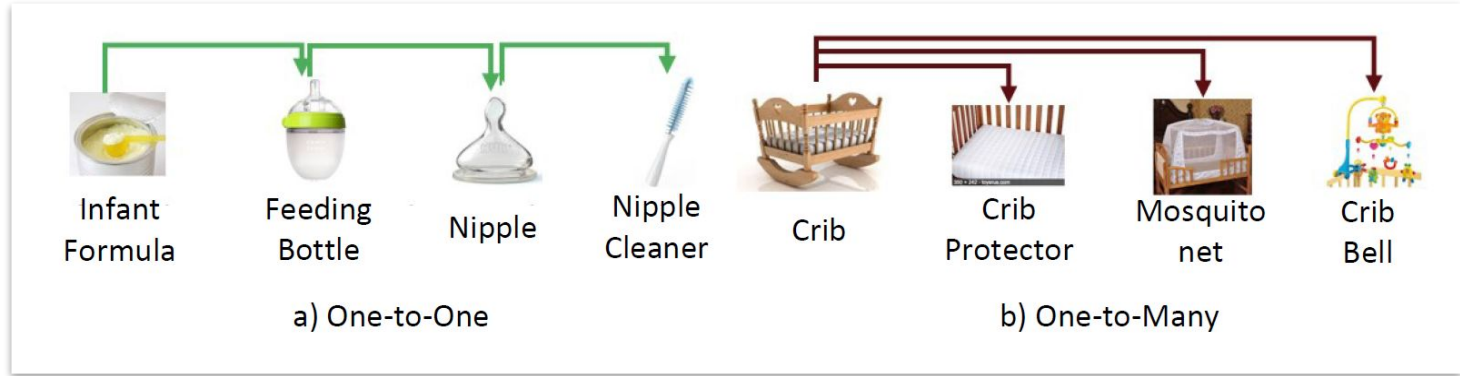
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# Sequential Association

**Data:** Sequence – Items are adopted sequentially by time.

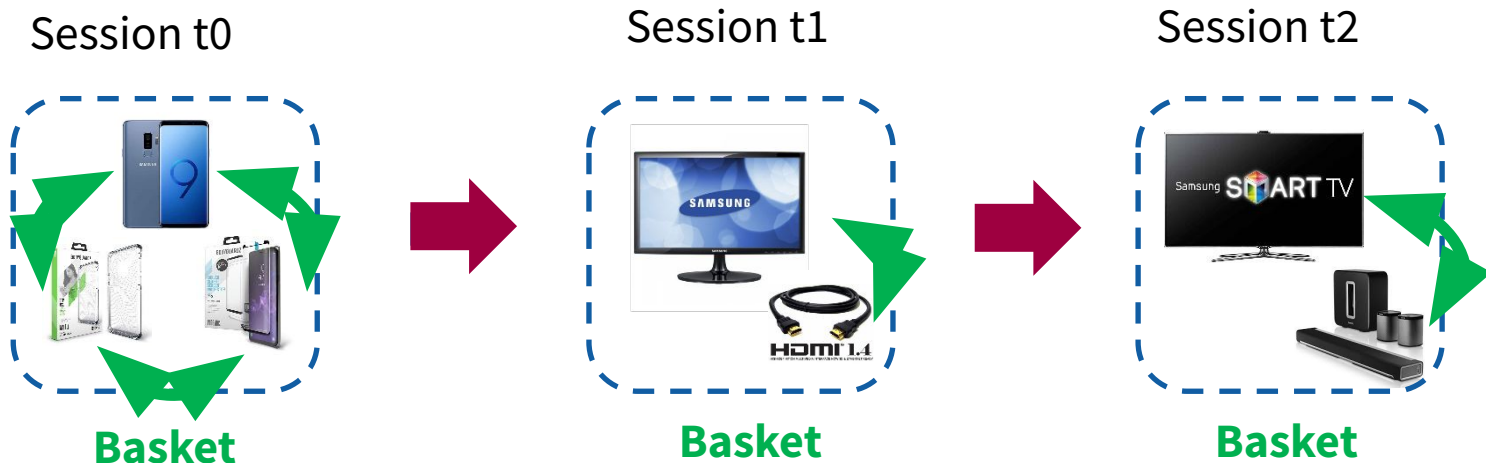


**Hypothesis:** The next selection (item) of a user is affected by his preceding adoptions



# One more thing ...

## The notion of Basket Sequence



**Correlative associations** among items in a basket  
**Sequential associations** across baskets in a sequence

A decorative network diagram in the top-left corner, featuring a complex web of interconnected nodes and lines. The nodes are represented by small circles, some of which are larger and have concentric circles, suggesting different levels of connectivity or importance. The lines are thin and gray, creating a mesh-like structure.

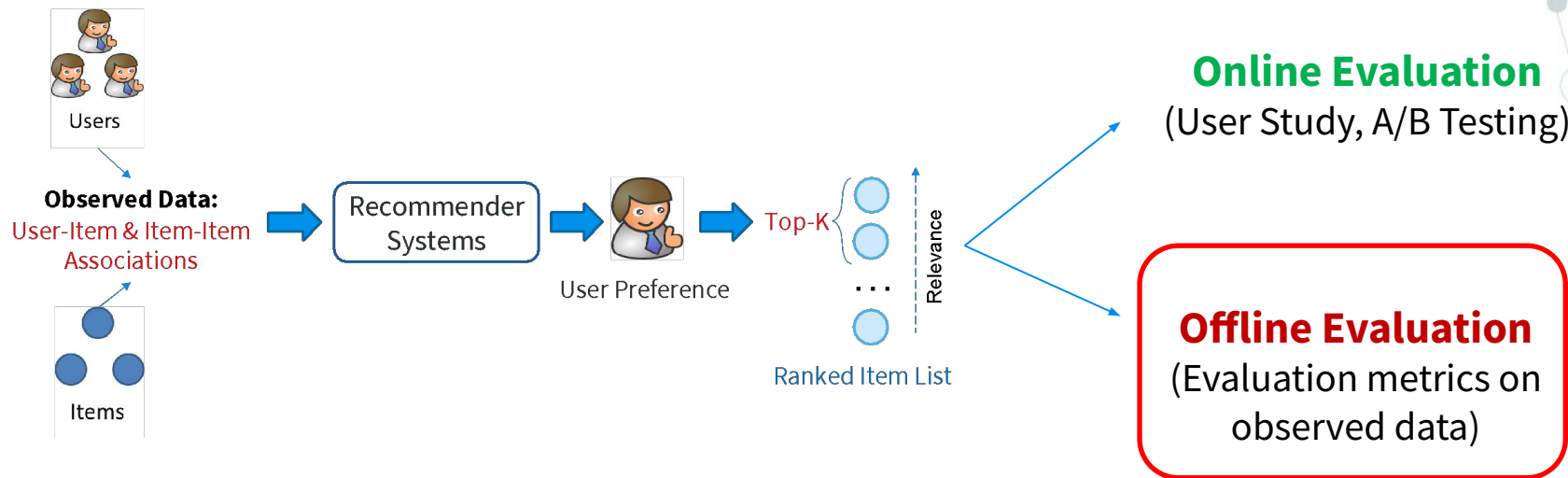
# 5. **Evaluation and Metrics**

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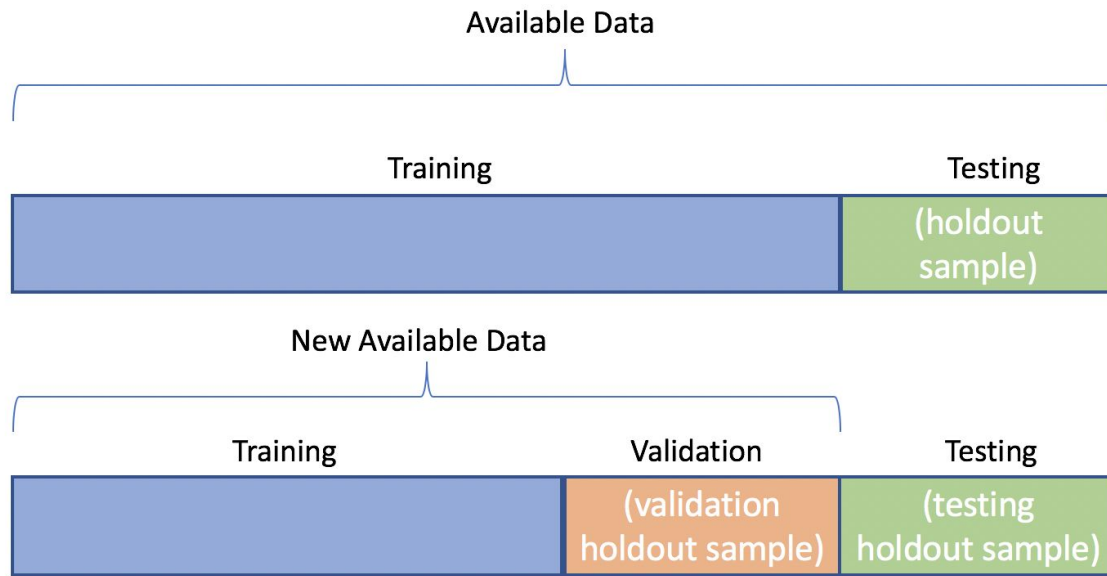
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*“**Recommender systems** are systems  
that **help users discover items they**  
**may like.**”*

# Evaluation Strategy



# Offline Evaluation



**Note:** If the available data consists of item/basket sequence, the train/val/test should be split from non-overlapping consecutive periods

# Error-based Metrics

## Recommendation via Rating Prediction

$$\text{MAE} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - x_i|}{n}$$

$$\text{MSE} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2.$$

$$\text{RMSD} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (\hat{y}_t - y_t)^2}{T}}.$$

User	Actual	Predicted	Absolute Error	Squared Error
	1: Toy Story (1995)	1: Toy Story (1995)	1: Toy Story (1995)	1: Toy Story (1995)
755	2	4	2	4
5277	1	2	1	1
1577	2	3	3	9
4388	2	2	0	0
1202	2	2	2	4
3823	3	5	2	4
5448	4	4	4	16
5347	2	3	1	1
4117	4	5	1	1
2765	4	4	0	0

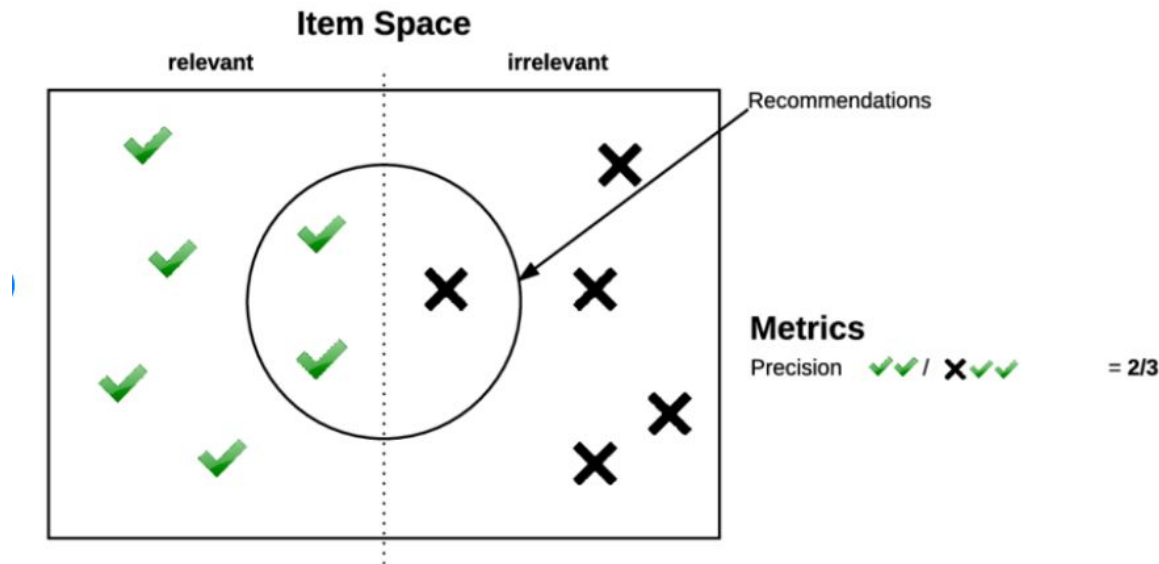
MAE  
1.6

MSE  
4

RMSE  
2.0

# Classification-based Metrics (1)

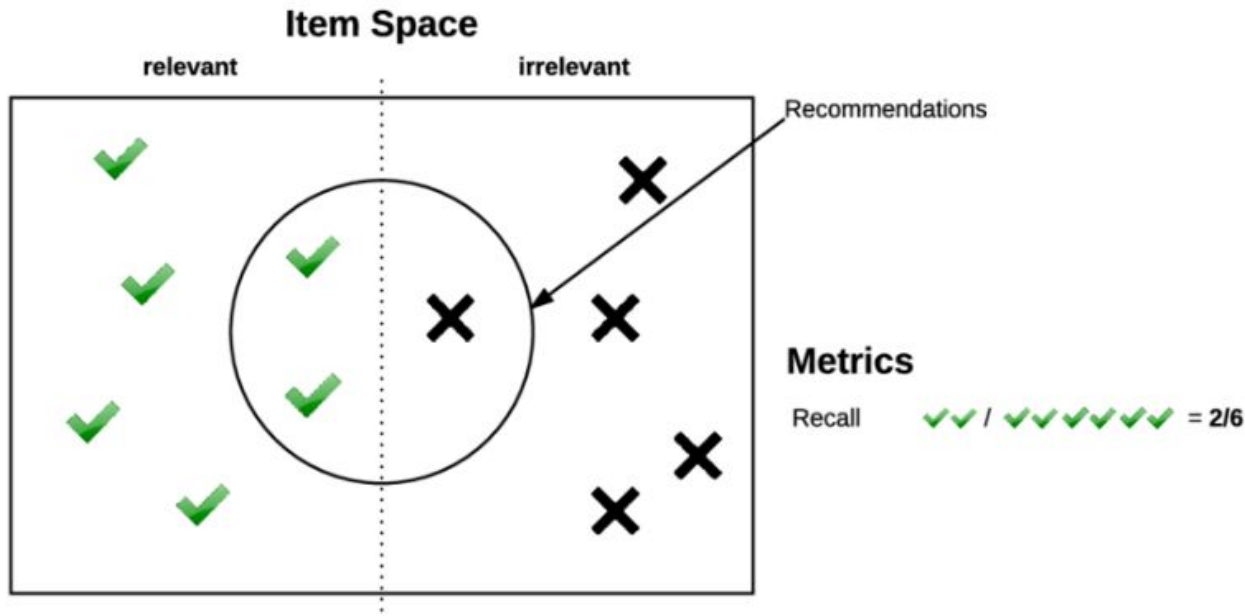
**Precision@K** for Top-K Recommendation





# Classification-based Metrics (2)

**Recall@K** for Top-K Recommendation



# Ranking-based Metrics (1)

Normalized Discounted Cumulative Gain (nDCG@K) for Top-K Recommendation

$$\text{nDCG}_p = \frac{DCG_p}{IDCG_p}, \quad DCG_p = \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{rel_i}{\log_2(i+1)}, \quad CG_p = \sum_{i=1}^p rel_i$$

Items Ranking	Relevancy Score	Perfect Ranking	Relevancy Score
Movie 1	1	Movie 3	2
Movie 3	2	Movie 2	2
Movie 2	2	Movie 1	1
Movie 5	0	Movie 4	1
Movie 4	1	Movie 5	0

CG =	6
DCG =	12.1

CG (p) =	6
DCG (p) =	13.9

$$\text{nDCG} = \text{DCG} / \text{DCG} (P) = 0.87$$

# Ranking-based Metrics (2)

**Mean Reciprocal Rank (MRR)** for Top-K Recommendation

$$MRR = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{rank_i}$$

Items Ranking	Relevant Items	Reciprocal Ranking
Movie 1	No	0
Movie 3	Yes	1/2
Movie 2	Yes	1/3
Movie 5	No	0
Movie 4	Yes	1/5

MRR =	1/2+1/3+1/5 =	1.03
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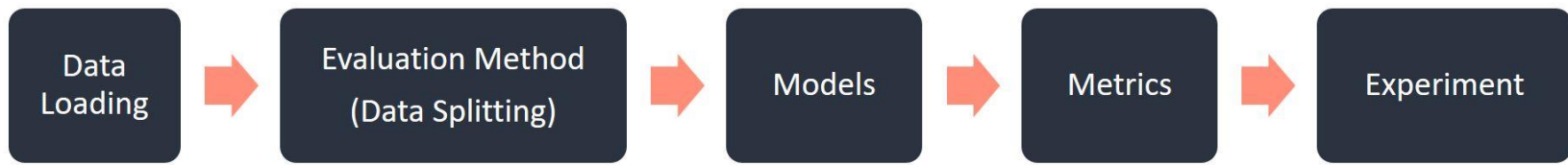
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# **Introduction to Cornac**

## **A Recommendation Framework**

# Cornac

**Cornac** is a comparative framework for multimodal recommender systems, which focuses on making it **convenient** to work with models leveraging **auxiliary data** (e.g., item descriptive text and image, social network, etc.)



*Flow of an Experiment in Cornac*

Website: <https://cornac.preferred.ai/>

Tutorials: [Github Repo](#)

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  - Learning Item-Item Associations
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# Thanks!

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