# Recommendations\_with\_IBM

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# 1 Recommendations with IBM

In this notebook, you will be putting your recommendation skills to use on real data from the IBM Watson Studio platform.

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By following the table of contents, you will build out a number of different methods for making recommendations that can be used for different situations.

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At the end of the notebook, you will find directions for how to submit your work. Let's get started by importing the necessary libraries and reading in the data.

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In [298]: import pandas as pd
          import numpy as np
          import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
          import project_tests as t
          import pickle
          %matplotlib inline
          df = pd.read_csv('data/user-item-interactions.csv')
          df_content = pd.read_csv('data/articles_community.csv')
          del df['Unnamed: 0']
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          # Show df to get an idea of the data
          df.head()
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          4 f01220c46fc92c6e6b161b1849de11faacd7ccb2
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          df_content.head()
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# 1.1.1 Part I: Exploratory Data Analysis

Use the dictionary and cells below to provide some insight into the descriptive statistics of the data.

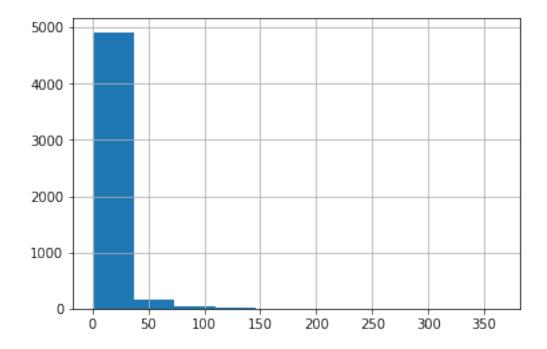
1. What is the distribution of how many articles a user interacts with in the dataset? Provide a visual and descriptive statistics to assist with giving a look at the number of times each user interacts with an article.

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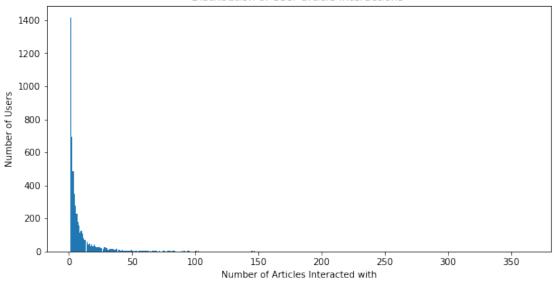
Name: article\_id, dtype: float64

In [301]: #Visual of how many articles a user interacts with in the dataset

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user_interact_article.hist()
plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
plt.hist(user_interact_article,bins = 'auto')
plt.xlabel('Number of Articles Interacted with')
plt.ylabel('Number of Users')
plt.title('Distribution of User-article Interactions ')
plt.show();
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2. Explore and remove duplicate articles from the **df\_content** dataframe.

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          692 One of the earliest documented catalogs was co...
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In [305]: df_content.duplicated("article_id").sum() #number of duplicates
Out[305]: 5
In [306]: # Remove any rows that have the same article_id - only keep the first instance of dupl
          df_content.drop_duplicates(subset='article_id', keep='first')
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- 3. Use the cells below to find:
- **a.** The number of unique articles that have an interaction with a user.
- **b.** The number of unique articles in the dataset (whether they have any interactions or not). **c.** The number of unique users in the dataset. (excluding null values) **d.** The number of user-article interactions in the dataset.

```
In [307]: df.article_id.nunique() # The number of unique articles that have at least one interact
Out[307]: 714
In [308]: df_content.article_id.nunique() # The number of unique articles on the IBM platform
Out[308]: 1051
In [309]: df.email.nunique() #The number of unique users
Out[309]: 5148
In [310]: df.shape[0] #The number of user-article interactions in the dataset.
Out[310]: 45993
In [311]: unique_articles = df.article_id.nunique() # The number of unique articles that have at
```

total\_articles = df\_content.article\_id.nunique() # The number of unique articles on the unique\_users = df.email.nunique() # The number of unique users user\_article\_interactions = df.shape[0] # The number of user-article interactions

4. Use the cells below to find the most viewed article\_id, as well as how often it was viewed. After talking to the company leaders, the email\_mapper function was deemed a reasonable way to map users to ids. There were a small number of null values, and it was found that all of these null values likely belonged to a single user (which is how they are stored using the function below).

```
In [312]: df.article_id.value_counts().index[0]
Out[312]: 1429.0
In [313]: df.article_id.value_counts().max()
Out[313]: 937
In [314]: most_viewed_article_id = str(df.article_id.value_counts().index[0]) # The most viewed
          max_views = df.article_id.value_counts().max() # The most viewed article in the datase
In [315]: ## No need to change the code here - this will be helpful for later parts of the notel
          # Run this cell to map the user email to a user_id column and remove the email column
          def email_mapper():
              coded_dict = dict()
              cter = 1
              email_encoded = []
              for val in df['email']:
                  if val not in coded_dict:
                      coded_dict[val] = cter
                      cter+=1
                  email_encoded.append(coded_dict[val])
              return email encoded
          email_encoded = email_mapper()
          del df['email']
          df['user_id'] = email_encoded
          # show header
          df.head()
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In [316]: ## If you stored all your results in the variable names above,
          ## you shouldn't need to change anything in this cell
          sol_1_dict = {
              '`50% of individuals have ____ or fewer interactions.'': median_val,
              '`The total number of user-article interactions in the dataset is _____.`': user_
              '`The maximum number of user-article interactions by any 1 user is _____.`': max_
              '`The most viewed article in the dataset was viewed ____ times.`': max_views,
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'`The article_id of the most viewed article is _____.`': most_viewed_article_id,
    '`The number of unique articles that have at least 1 rating ____.`': unique_arti
    '`The number of unique users in the dataset is ____.`': unique_users,
    '`The number of unique articles on the IBM platform`': total_articles
}
# Test your dictionary against the solution
t.sol_1_test(sol_1_dict)
```

It looks like you have everything right here! Nice job!

#### 1.1.2 Part II: Rank-Based Recommendations

Unlike in the earlier lessons, we don't actually have ratings for whether a user liked an article or not. We only know that a user has interacted with an article. In these cases, the popularity of an article can really only be based on how often an article was interacted with.

1. Fill in the function below to return the  $\bf n$  top articles ordered with most interactions as the top. Test your function using the tests below.

```
In [317]: def get_top_articles(n, df=df):
              INPUT:
              n - (int) the number of top articles to return
              df - (pandas dataframe) df as defined at the top of the notebook
              OUTPUT:
              top_articles - (list) A list of the top 'n' article titles
              # Your code here
              top_articles = df['title'].value_counts().head(n).index.tolist()
              return top_articles # Return the top article titles from df (not df_content)
          def get_top_article_ids(n, df=df):
              INPUT:
              n - (int) the number of top articles to return
              df - (pandas dataframe) df as defined at the top of the notebook
              top_articles - (list) A list of the top 'n' article titles
              # Your code here
              top_articles = df['article_id'].value_counts().head(n).index.tolist()
              top_articles=[str(x) for x in top_articles]
```

# 1.1.3 Part III: User-User Based Collaborative Filtering

- 1. Use the function below to reformat the **df** dataframe to be shaped with users as the rows and articles as the columns.
  - Each **user** should only appear in each **row** once.
  - Each **article** should only show up in one **column**.
  - If a user has interacted with an article, then place a 1 where the user-row meets for that article-column. It does not matter how many times a user has interacted with the article, all entries where a user has interacted with an article should be a 1.
  - If a user has not interacted with an item, then place a zero where the user-row meets for that article-column.

Use the tests to make sure the basic structure of your matrix matches what is expected by the solution.

```
Description:
Return a matrix with user ids as rows and article ids on the columns with 1 values an article and a 0 otherwise
'''

# Fill in the function here

user_item = df.groupby(['user_id','article_id'])['title'].max().unstack().isnull()

return user_item # return the user_item matrix

user_item = create_user_item_matrix(df)

In [321]: ## Tests: You should just need to run this cell. Don't change the code.

assert user_item.shape[0] == 5149, "Oops! The number of users in the user-article mat assert user_item.shape[1] == 714, "Oops! The number of articles in the user-article mat assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 descriptions are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 descriptions are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 descriptions are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 descriptions are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 descriptions are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 descriptions are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 descriptions are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 descriptions are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 descriptions are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles seen by user 1 descriptions are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles are assert user_item.sum(axis=1)[1] == 36, "Oops! The number of articles are assert us
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You have passed our quick tests! Please proceed!

2. Complete the function below which should take a user\_id and provide an ordered list of the most similar users to that user (from most similar to least similar). The returned result should not contain the provided user\_id, as we know that each user is similar to him/herself. Because the results for each user here are binary, it (perhaps) makes sense to compute similarity as the dot product of two users.

print("You have passed our quick tests! Please proceed!")

Use the tests to test your function.

In [322]: user\_item.head()

Out[322]:	article_id user_id	0.0	2.0	4.0	8.0	9.0	12.0	14.0	15.0	\
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	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
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In [323]: def find_similar_users(user_id, user_item=user_item):
              INPUT:
              user_id - (int) a user_id
              user_item - (pandas dataframe) matrix of users by articles:
                          1's when a user has interacted with an article, 0 otherwise
              OUTPUT:
              similar_users - (list) an ordered list where the closest users (largest dot produc
                              are listed first
              Description:
              Computes the similarity of every pair of users based on the dot product
              Returns an ordered
              # compute similarity of each user to the provided user
              user = user_item.dot(user_item.loc[user_id])
              # sort by similarity
              user = user.sort_values(ascending=False)
              # create list of just the ids
              similar_users = list(user.index)
              # remove the own user's id
              similar_users.remove(user_id)
              return similar_users # return a list of the users in order from most to least similar
In [324]: # Do a spot check of your function
          print("The 10 most similar users to user 1 are: {}".format(find_similar_users(1)[:10])
          print("The 5 most similar users to user 3933 are: {}".format(find_similar_users(3933)[
          print("The 3 most similar users to user 46 are: {}".format(find_similar_users(46)[:3])
The 10 most similar users to user 1 are: [3933, 23, 3782, 203, 4459, 131, 3870, 46, 4201, 5041]
The 5 most similar users to user 3933 are: [1, 23, 3782, 4459, 203]
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3. Now that you have a function that provides the most similar users to each user, you will want to use these users to find articles you can recommend. Complete the functions below to return the articles you would recommend to each user.

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In [325]: def get_article_names(article_ids, df=df):
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The 3 most similar users to user 46 are: [4201, 23, 3782]

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INPUT:
    article_ids - (list) a list of article ids
    df - (pandas dataframe) df as defined at the top of the notebook
    OUTPUT:
    article_names - (list) a list of article names associated with the list of article
                    (this is identified by the title column)
    111
    # Your code here
    article_names = list(df[df.article_id.isin(article_ids)]['title'].unique())
    return article_names # Return the article names associated with list of article id
def get_user_articles(user_id, user_item=user_item):
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    INPUT:
    user_id - (int) a user id
    user_item - (pandas dataframe) matrix of users by articles:
                1's when a user has interacted with an article, 0 otherwise
    OUTPUT:
    article_ids - (list) a list of the article ids seen by the user
    article_names - (list) a list of article names associated with the list of article
                    (this is identified by the doc_full_name column in df_content)
    Description:
    Provides a list of the article_ids and article titles that have been seen by a use
    # Your code here
    article_ids = user_item.columns[np.where(user_item.loc[user_id] == 1)].astype(str).t
   article_names = get_article_names(article_ids)
    return article_ids, article_names # return the ids and names
def user_user_recs(user_id, m=10):
    INPUT:
    user_id - (int) a user id
    m - (int) the number of recommendations you want for the user
    recs - (list) a list of recommendations for the user
    Description:
    Loops through the users based on closeness to the input user_id
    For each user - finds articles the user hasn't seen before and provides them as re
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Does this until m recommendations are found
              Notes:
              Users who are the same closeness are chosen arbitrarily as the 'next' user
              For the user where the number of recommended articles starts below m
              and ends exceeding m, the last items are chosen arbitrarily
              111
             # Your code here
              similar_users = find_similar_users(user_id, user_item=user_item)
              article_ids= get_user_articles(user_id, user_item=user_item)
              recs = []
              for similar in similar_users:
                  ids = get_user_articles(similar)
                  new_recs = np.setdiff1d(ids, article_ids, assume_unique=True)
                  recs = np.unique(np.concatenate([new_recs,recs], axis=0))
                  if len(recs)>m-1:
                      recs = recs[:m]
                      break
              return recs # return your recommendations for this user_id
In []:
In [326]: # Check Results
          get_article_names(user_user_recs(1, 10)) # Return 10 recommendations for user 1
Out[326]: ['analyze energy consumption in buildings',
           'analyze accident reports on amazon emr spark',
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                   using notebooks with pixiedust for fast, flexi...\nName: title, dtype: object
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           'data tidying in data science experience',
           'airbnb data for analytics: vancouver listings',
           'recommender systems: approaches & algorithms',
           'airbnb data for analytics: mallorca reviews',
           'analyze facebook data using ibm watson and watson studio',
           'a tensorflow regression model to predict house values']
In []:
In [327]: # Test your functions here - No need to change this code - just run this cell
          assert set(get_article_names(['1024.0', '1176.0', '1305.0', '1314.0', '1422.0', '1427.
          assert set(get_article_names(['1320.0', '232.0', '844.0'])) == set(['housing (2015): u
          assert set(get_user_articles(20)[0]) == set(['1320.0', '232.0', '844.0'])
          assert set(get_user_articles(20)[1]) == set(['housing (2015): united states demographi
          assert set(get_user_articles(2)[0]) == set(['1024.0', '1176.0', '1305.0', '1314.0', '1
```

```
assert set(get_user_articles(2)[1]) == set(['using deep learning to reconstruct high-rprint("If this is all you see, you passed all of our tests! Nice job!")
```

If this is all you see, you passed all of our tests! Nice job!

- 4. Now we are going to improve the consistency of the **user\_user\_recs** function from above.
- Instead of arbitrarily choosing when we obtain users who are all the same closeness to a
  given user choose the users that have the most total article interactions before choosing
  those with fewer article interactions.
- Instead of arbitrarily choosing articles from the user where the number of recommended articles starts below m and ends exceeding m, choose articles with the articles with the most total interactions before choosing those with fewer total interactions. This ranking should be what would be obtained from the **top\_articles** function you wrote earlier.

```
In [328]: def get_top_sorted_users(user_id, df=df, user_item=user_item):
              INPUT:
              user_id - (int)
              df - (pandas dataframe) df as defined at the top of the notebook
              user_item - (pandas dataframe) matrix of users by articles:
                      1's when a user has interacted with an article, 0 otherwise
              OUTPUT:
              neighbors_df - (pandas dataframe) a dataframe with:
                              neighbor_id - is a neighbor user_id
                              similarity - measure of the similarity of each user to the provide
                              num_interactions - the number of articles viewed by the user - if
              Other Details - sort the neighbors_df by the similarity and then by number of inte
                              highest of each is higher in the dataframe
              # Your code here
              similarity = user_item.dot(user_item.loc[user_id])
              neighbor_id = user_item.index.values
              num_interactions = df.user_id.value_counts().sort_index()
              neighbors_df = pd.DataFrame({'neighbor_id': neighbor_id,
                                           'similarity': similarity,
                                           'num_interactions': num_interactions})
              neighbors_df = neighbors_df [neighbors_df.neighbor_id != user_id]
              #sort the neighbors_df by the similarity and then by number of interactions in des
```

```
neighbors_df.sort_values(by = ['similarity', 'num_interactions'], ascending=False,
    return neighbors_df # Return the dataframe specified in the doc_string
def user_user_recs_part2(user_id, m=10):
    INPUT:
    user_id - (int) a user id
   m - (int) the number of recommendations you want for the user
    OUTPUT:
    recs - (list) a list of recommendations for the user by article id
    rec_names - (list) a list of recommendations for the user by article title
    Description:
    Loops through the users based on closeness to the input user_id
    For each user - finds articles the user hasn't seen before and provides them as re
    Does this until m recommendations are found
    Notes:
    * Choose the users that have the most total article interactions
    before choosing those with fewer article interactions.
    * Choose articles with the articles with the most total interactions
    before choosing those with fewer total interactions.
    # Your code here
    tops = get_top_sorted_users(user_id, df=df, user_item=user_item)['neighbor_id']
    article_ids, article_names = get_user_articles(user_id, user_item=user_item)
   recs = []
    for top in tops:
        ids, names = get_user_articles(top, user_item=user_item)
        new_recs = df[df.article_id.isin(ids)]
        new_recs = get_top_article_ids(len(ids), new_recs)
        for article_id in new_recs:
            if not article_id in article_ids:
                if len(recs) >= m:
                    break
                recs.append(article_id)
        if len(recs) >= m:
            break
```

```
rec_names = get_article_names(recs)
              return recs, rec_names
In [329]: # Quick spot check - don't change this code - just use it to test your functions
          rec_ids, rec_names = user_user_recs_part2(20, 10)
          print("The top 10 recommendations for user 20 are the following article ids:")
          print(rec_ids)
          print()
          print("The top 10 recommendations for user 20 are the following article names:")
          print(rec_names)
The top 10 recommendations for user 20 are the following article ids:
['1330.0', '1427.0', '1364.0', '1170.0', '1162.0', '1304.0', '1351.0', '1160.0', '1354.0', '1368
The top 10 recommendations for user 20 are the following article names:
['apache spark lab, part 1: basic concepts', 'predicting churn with the spss random tree algorit
   5. Use your functions from above to correctly fill in the solutions to the dictionary below. Then
test your dictionary against the solution. Provide the code you need to answer each following the
comments below.
In [330]: get_top_sorted_users(1)['neighbor_id'].iloc[0] # Find the user that is most similar t
```

6. If we were given a new user, which of the above functions would you be able to use to make recommendations? Explain. Can you think of a better way we might make recommendations? Use the cell below to explain a better method for new users.

The above functions get\_top\_articles and get\_top\_articles\_ids from Part II could be used to get the top articles to recommend to a new user. This problem described above is known as the cold start problem. It will not be possible to use User-User Based Collaborative Filtering Recommendations as information (such as ratings) on user-article interactions are not known for a new user, and this method is based on using the collaboration of user-item interactions.

Rank Based recommendations for new users is a better way of making recommendations.

Content-based similarity method for recommendations could be used for a new user. In this method, recommendations are based using information about the content of the articles and ranking of the highest ranked articles based on specific content or associated with some term. NLP can be used in this method. Content could be from the columns doc\_body, doc\_description, or doc\_full\_name.

7. Using your existing functions, provide the top 10 recommended articles you would provide for the a new user below. You can test your function against our thoughts to make sure we are all on the same page with how we might make a recommendation.

```
In [334]: get_top_article_ids(10)
Out[334]: ['1429.0',
           '1330.0',
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           '1364.0',
           '1314.0',
           '1293.0',
           '1170.0',
           '1162.0',
           '1304.0']
In [335]: new_user = '0.0'
          # What would your recommendations be for this new user '0.0'? As a new user, they have
          # Provide a list of the top 10 article ids you would give to
          new_user_recs = get_top_article_ids(10) # Your recommendations here
          print(get_top_article_ids(10))
['1429.0', '1330.0', '1431.0', '1427.0', '1364.0', '1314.0', '1293.0', '1170.0', '1162.0', '1304
In [336]: assert set(new_user_recs) == set(['1314.0','1429.0','1293.0','1427.0','1162.0','1364.0']
          print("That's right! Nice job!")
```

That's right! Nice job!

#### 1.1.4 Part IV: Content Based Recommendations (EXTRA - NOT REQUIRED)

Another method we might use to make recommendations is to perform a ranking of the highest ranked articles associated with some term. You might consider content to be the **doc\_body**, **doc\_description**, or **doc\_full\_name**. There isn't one way to create a content based recommendation, especially considering that each of these columns hold content related information.

1. Use the function body below to create a content based recommender. Since there isn't one right answer for this recommendation tactic, no test functions are provided. Feel free to change the function inputs if you decide you want to try a method that requires more input values. The input values are currently set with one idea in mind that you may use to make content based recommendations. One additional idea is that you might want to choose the most popular recommendations that meet your 'content criteria', but again, there is a lot of flexibility in how you might make these recommendations.

# 1.1.5 This part is NOT REQUIRED to pass this project. However, you may choose to take this on as an extra way to show off your skills.

- 2. Now that you have put together your content-based recommendation system, use the cell below to write a summary explaining how your content based recommender works. Do you see any possible improvements that could be made to your function? Is there anything novel about your content based recommender?
- 1.1.6 This part is NOT REQUIRED to pass this project. However, you may choose to take this on as an extra way to show off your skills.

Write an explanation of your content based recommendation system here.

- 3. Use your content-recommendation system to make recommendations for the below scenarios based on the comments. Again no tests are provided here, because there isn't one right answer that could be used to find these content based recommendations.
- 1.1.7 This part is NOT REQUIRED to pass this project. However, you may choose to take this on as an extra way to show off your skills.

```
In [338]: # make recommendations for a brand new user

# make a recommendations for a user who only has interacted with article id '1427.0'
```

#### 1.1.8 Part V: Matrix Factorization

In this part of the notebook, you will build use matrix factorization to make article recommendations to the users on the IBM Watson Studio platform.

1. You should have already created a **user\_item** matrix above in **question 1** of **Part III** above. This first question here will just require that you run the cells to get things set up for the rest of **Part V** of the notebook.

```
In [339]: # Load the matrix here
          user_item_matrix = pd.read_pickle('user_item_matrix.p')
In [340]: # quick look at the matrix
          user_item_matrix.head()
Out[340]: article_id 0.0 100.0 1000.0 1004.0 1006.0 1008.0 101.0 1014.0 1015.0 \
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2. In this situation, you can use Singular Value Decomposition from numpy on the user-item matrix. Use the cell to perform SVD, and explain why this is different than in the lesson.

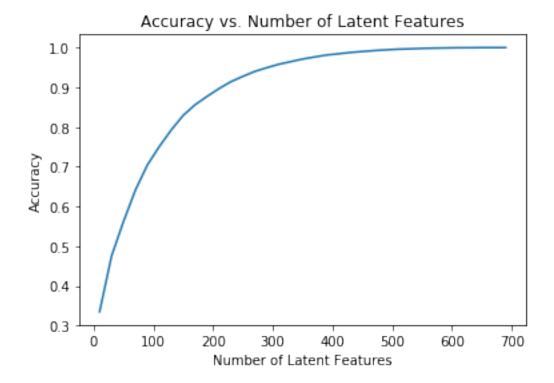
[5 rows x 714 columns]

The SVD in the lesson did not converge as it had encountered a NaN or missing values in the user\_movie\_subset matrix. There was a significant missing data. "The number of ratings made for

user-movie pairs that didn't have ratings is 13 835 713". This means it was a very sparse matrix. SVD from NumPy does not work when the matrices do not have a value in every cell and is thus considered not complete. FunkSVD which uses a stochastic gradient descent formula was used in the lesson to address NaN/missing values. SVD in this Project is used on the user\_item\_matrix which has no missing values.

3. Now for the tricky part, how do we choose the number of latent features to use? Running the below cell, you can see that as the number of latent features increases, we obtain a lower error rate on making predictions for the 1 and 0 values in the user-item matrix. Run the cell below to get an idea of how the accuracy improves as we increase the number of latent features.

```
In [343]: num_latent_feats = np.arange(10,700+10,20)
          sum_errs = []
          for k in num_latent_feats:
              # restructure with k latent features
              s_new, u_new, vt_new = np.diag(s[:k]), u[:, :k], vt[:k, :]
              # take dot product
              user_item_est = np.around(np.dot(np.dot(u_new, s_new), vt_new))
              # compute error for each prediction to actual value
              diffs = np.subtract(user_item_matrix, user_item_est)
              # total errors and keep track of them
              err = np.sum(np.sum(np.abs(diffs)))
              sum_errs.append(err)
          plt.plot(num_latent_feats, 1 - np.array(sum_errs)/df.shape[0]);
          plt.title('Accuracy vs. Number of Latent Features');
          plt.xlabel('Number of Latent Features');
          plt.ylabel('Accuracy');
```



4. From the above, we can't really be sure how many features to use, because simply having a better way to predict the 1's and 0's of the matrix doesn't exactly give us an indication of if we are able to make good recommendations. Instead, we might split our dataset into a training and test set of data, as shown in the cell below.

Use the code from question 3 to understand the impact on accuracy of the training and test sets of data with different numbers of latent features. Using the split below:

- How many users can we make predictions for in the test set?
- How many users are we not able to make predictions for because of the cold start problem?
- How many articles can we make predictions for in the test set?
- How many articles are we not able to make predictions for because of the cold start problem?

```
(unique users for each row and unique articles for each column)
              user_item_test - a user-item matrix of the testing dataframe
                              (unique users for each row and unique articles for each column)
              test\_idx - all of the test user ids
              test_arts - all of the test article ids
              111
              # Your code here
              user_item_train = create_user_item_matrix(df_train)
              user_item_test = create_user_item_matrix(df_test)
              test_idx = user_item_test.index
              test_arts = user_item_test.columns
              return user_item_train, user_item_test, test_idx, test_arts
          user_item_train, user_item_test, test_idx, test_arts = create_test_and_train_user_item
In [345]: user_item_test_shape, user_item_train.shape, len(test_idx), len(test_arts)
Out [345]: ((682, 574), (4487, 714), 682, 574)
In [346]: # How many users can we make predictions for in the test set?
          len(np.intersect1d(user_item_test.index.values,user_item_train.index.values, assume_un
Out[346]: 20
In [347]: # How many users in the test set are we not able to make predictions for because of the
          len(np.setdiff1d(user_item_test.index.values,user_item_train.index.values, assume_unic
Out [347]: 662
In [348]: # How many articles can we make predictions for in the test set?
          len(np.intersect1d(user_item_test.columns.values, user_item_train.columns.values, assu
Out[348]: 574
In [349]: # How many articles in the test set are we not able to make predictions for because of
          len(np.setdiff1d(user_item_test.columns.values, user_item_train.columns.values, assume
Out[349]: 0
In [350]: # Replace the values in the dictionary below
          a = 662
          b = 574
          c = 20
          \mathbf{d} = 0
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sol_4_dict = {
    'How many users can we make predictions for in the test set?': c, # letter here,
    'How many users in the test set are we not able to make predictions for because of
    'How many movies can we make predictions for in the test set?': b, # letter here,
    'How many movies in the test set are we not able to make predictions for because of
}
t.sol_4_test(sol_4_dict)
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Awesome job! That's right! All of the test movies are in the training data, but there are only

5. Now use the **user\_item\_train** dataset from above to find U, S, and V transpose using SVD. Then find the subset of rows in the **user\_item\_test** dataset that you can predict using this matrix decomposition with different numbers of latent features to see how many features makes sense to keep based on the accuracy on the test data. This will require combining what was done in questions 2 - 4.

Use the cells below to explore how well SVD works towards making predictions for recommendations on the test data.

```
In [351]: # fit SVD on the user_item_train matrix
          u_train, s_train, vt_train = np.linalg.svd(user_item_train) # fit svd similar to above
In [352]: u_train.shape, s_train.shape, vt_train.shape
Out[352]: ((4487, 4487), (714,), (714, 714))
In [358]: #training subsets
          train_idx = user_item_train.index
          train_subset_idx = user_item_train.index.isin(test_idx)
          train_subset_col = user_item_train.columns.isin(test_arts)
In [359]: u_test = u_train[train_subset_idx, :]
          vt_test = vt_train[:, train_subset_col]
          u_test.shape, vt_test.shape
Out[359]: ((20, 4487), (714, 574))
In [ ]: # Use these cells to see how well you can use the training
        # decomposition to predict on test data
        num_latent_feats = np.arange(10,700+10,20)
        sum_errs_test = []
        sum_errs_train = []
        for k in num_latent_feats:
            # Restructure with k features
            s_train_new, u_train_new, vt_train_new = np.diag(s_train[:k]), u_train[:, :k], vt_train_new, vt_train_new, vt_train_new, vt_train_new
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s_test_new, u_test_new, vt_test_new = s_train_new, u_test[:, :k], vt_test[:k, :]
            # take dot product
            user_item_test_est = np.around(np.dot(np.dot(u_test_new, s_test_new), vt_test_new))
            user_item_train_est = np.around(np.dot(np.dot(u_train_new, s_train_new), vt_train_new)
            # compute error for each prediction to actual value
            diffs_test = np.subtract(user_item_test, user_item_test_est)
            diffs_train = np.subtract(user_item_train, user_item_train_est)
            # total errors and keep track of them
            err_test = np.sum(np.sum(np.abs(diffs_test)))
            err_train = np.sum(np.sum(np.abs(diffs_train)))
            sum_errs_test.append(err_test)
            sum_errs_train.append(err_train)
In []: # Plot test accuracy and latent features
        plt.plot(num_latent_feats, 1 - np.array(sum_errs_test) / (user_item_test.shape[0]* user_
        plt.plot(num_latent_feats, 1 - np.array(sum_errs_train) / (user_item_train.shape[0]* use
        plt.title('Test Accuracy vs Latent Features');
        plt.xlabel('Number of Latent Features');
        plt.ylabel('Accuracy of Test Data');
        plt.legend();
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6. Use the cell below to comment on the results you found in the previous question. Given the circumstances of your results, discuss what you might do to determine if the recommendations you make with any of the above recommendation systems are an improvement to how users currently find articles?

The training data suggests that as latent features increase the accuracy increases. However the test data suggests that accuracy decreased as latent features increased. There is direct conflict between the two. This difference could be due to the small overlap of users between training and testing datasets. Only 20 users in the test dataset are shared with the training dataset and were used to give the result.

We could increase the sizes of the test datasets, use online recommendation evaluations such as A/B testing, or time-based testing as opposed to matrix factorization used above which is an offline method.

All types of recommendations should be used not just user-user based collaborative and rank-based recommendations. Content-based like that described in Part III question (6) for new users and knowledge-based recommendations for existing could be used.

### Extras Using your workbook, you could now save your recommendations for each user, develop a class to make new predictions and update your results, and make a flask app to deploy your results. These tasks are beyond what is required for this project. However, from what you learned in the lessons, you certainly capable of taking these tasks on to improve upon your work here!

## 1.2 Conclusion

Congratulations! You have reached the end of the Recommendations with IBM project!

**Tip**: Once you are satisfied with your work here, check over your report to make sure that it is satisfies all the areas of the <u>rubric</u>. You should also probably remove all of the "Tips" like this one so that the presentation is as polished as possible.

## 1.3 Directions to Submit

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