Variational Inference - Assignment 2 A Report

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Outputs

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python homework.py
Please enter choice of dataset:

1. 500-500-3

2. 100-k
Please enter your choice: 1 (or) 2 [To Debug, type 0] - 1
Baseline rmse is: 1.8019448325127836
For Part 1:

Total Iterations: 25000
RMSE: [1.781923883557573, 1.5937212241838992, 1.2321690119758026, 0.722144708569602, 0.3283120448423085, 0.23598144269743926, 0.21916363355676868, 0.2160546121083858
]
Time taken: [0.48094797134399414, 0.8806238174438477, 1.3032078742980957, 1.7059125900268555, 2.105543613433838, 2.519871711730957, 2.923938751220703, 3.326377868652
3438]

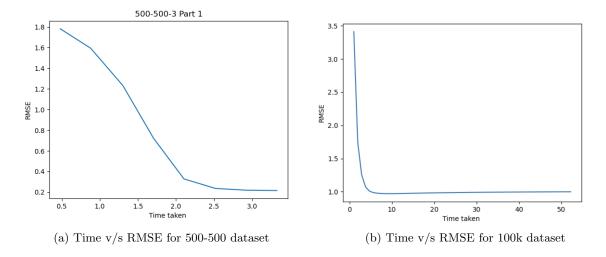
For Part 2:
For the given ranks: [1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20]
The RMSE changes as follows: [1.5068963472083776, 1.1600153878586528, 0.21661693422373104, 0.22146709229941794, 0.24548545758228488, 0.2738502473472803]
Please check your current directory for generated plots
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Figure 1: Output after running matrix factorization on 500-500 dataset

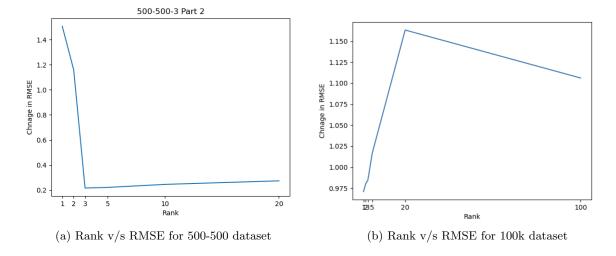
Figure 2: Output after running matrix factorization on 100-k dataset

Results

From the graphs below, we can see that the RMSE for both the datasets goes down per iteration, showing that they converge to a minimum.



For the 500-500-3 dataset, the RMSE falls sharply at rank 2 and 3 from rank 1. Following that the RMSE plateaus and rises only slightly. Meanwhile, in the 100k dataset, lowest RMSE is at rank 1 and rises sharply till rank 20 following which it falls as we move towards higher rank but not as low.



For both the datasets, the performance is hugely better than the baseline.