Recipe Recommender Assignment

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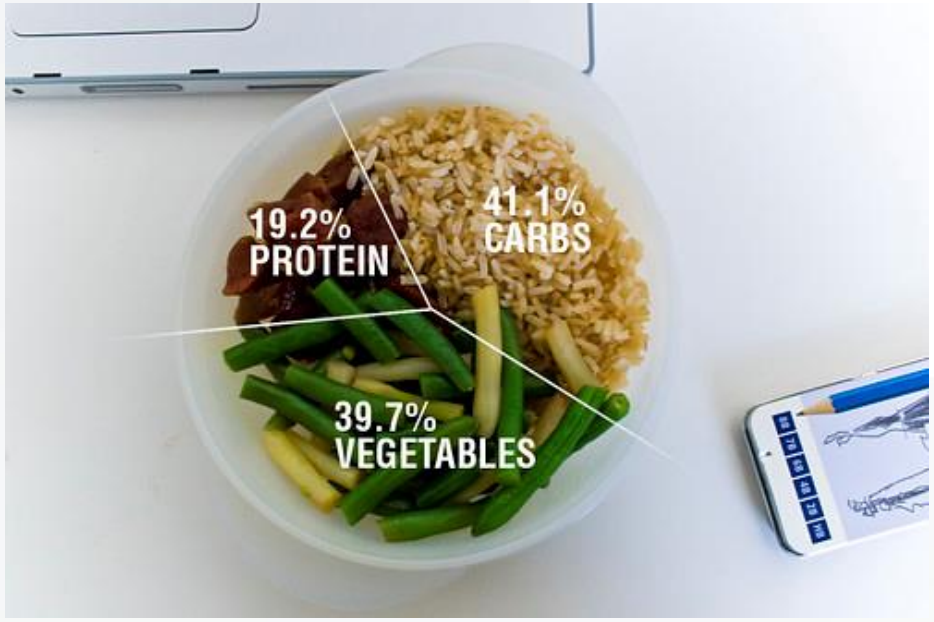
Problem Statement



Our job is to design a recommender system to recommend recipes to users based on their choice and the current recipe they are looking at.

BUSINESS OBJECTIVE

- The objective of this entire assignment is to perform Exploratory Data Analysis and feature extraction from the raw data.
- To identify user preferences and identify patterns that can be used to improve the recipe recommendations for users.
- This can be done by analyzing factors such as what all ingredients are required, number of steps, time of preparation, review time since submission and determining what overall factors are strongly related with high ratings.
- With this we can build recommendation algorithm which will automatically help us to increase user engagement and satisfaction.
- Our main goal is to improve user experience and increase customer retention.

Important Libraries

Some libraries which are imported to perform various tasks –

```
from pyspark.sql import SparkSession
spark = SparkSession.builder.appName("Basics").getOrCreate()
from pyspark.sql import functions as F

# Import for typecasting columns
from pyspark.sql.types import
IntegerType,BooleanType,DateType,FloatType,StringType
from pyspark.sql.types import ArrayType

from pyspark.sql.functions import split,col
from pyspark.sql.types import ArrayType, StringType
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TASKS PERFORMED

Task 1: Read the data
Task 2: Extract individual features from the nutrition column.
Task 3: Standardize the nutrition values.
Task 4: Convert the tags column from a string to an array of strings.
Task 5: Read the second data file
Task 6: Create time-based features.
Task 7: Processing Numerical Columns
Task 8: Create user-level features
Task 9: Create tag-level features

SOLUTION

- Reading the data.
- List of nutrition columns
- Extracting individual features from the nutrition column.
- Using string operations to remove the brackets from the nutrition column
- Splitting the nutrition column into seven columns and casting new columns to float values.
- Nutrition column split into multiple.
- Some test cases were used which can be used to check if you have completed the task correctly.

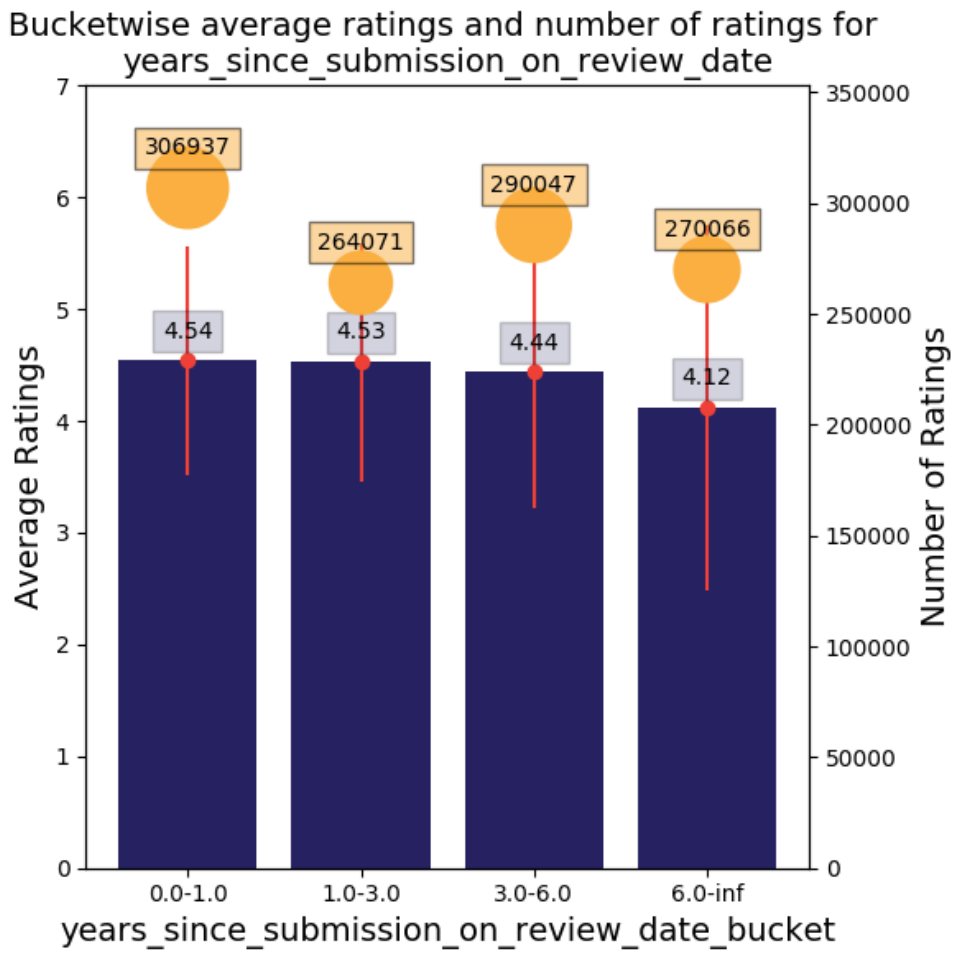
Standardizing the nutrition values

- By converting the nutrition values from absolute to relative terms, we are ensuring that portion size is not a factor in the analysis.
- All nutrition columns are standardized to per 100 calories.
- Some test cases were used to check whether task is completed or not.
- Converting the tags column from a string to an array of strings
- Joining Recipe Data to Review Data and Read the second data file
- Creating time-based features
- Saving the data we have created so far in a parquet file.

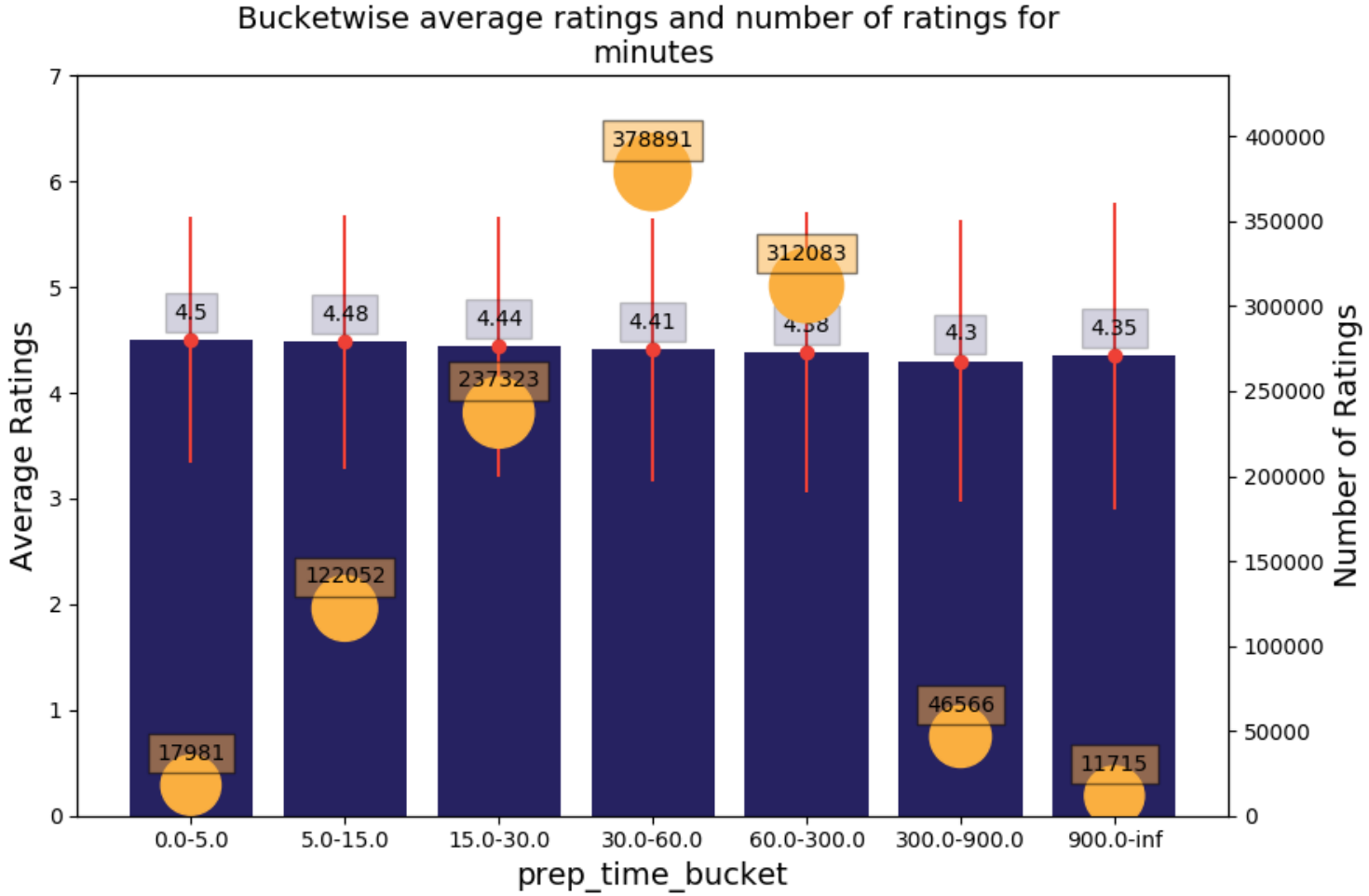
interaction_level_df.write.parquet('s3://bucket-bharath/data/interaction_level_df_processed.parquet')

Exploratory Data Analysis
EDA

Bucketing and Cleaning Numerical Features



- **OBSERVATIONS**
- **Recipes more than 6 years old are rated low**

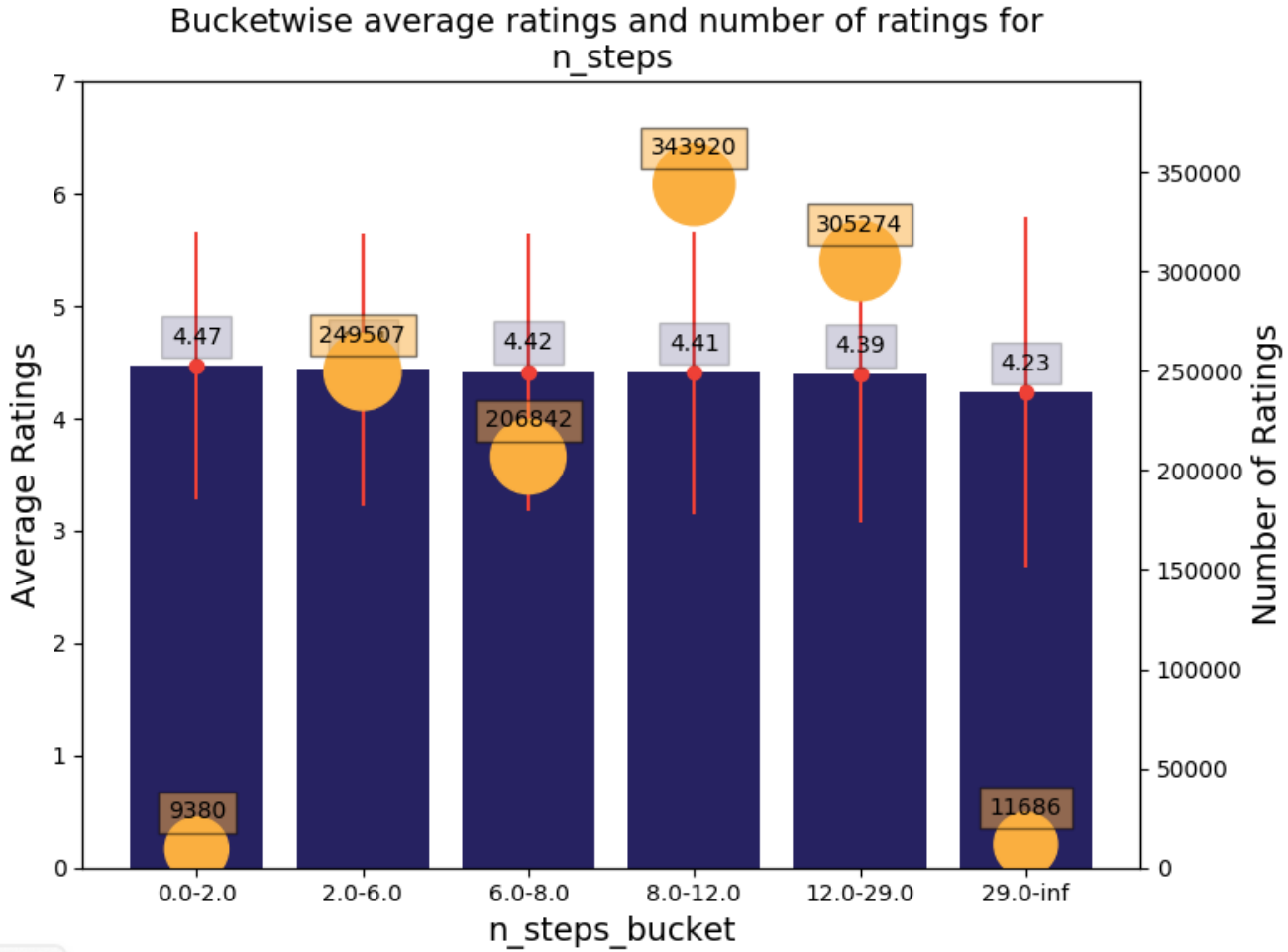


OBSERVATIONS

Minutes –

It is Somewhat relevant.

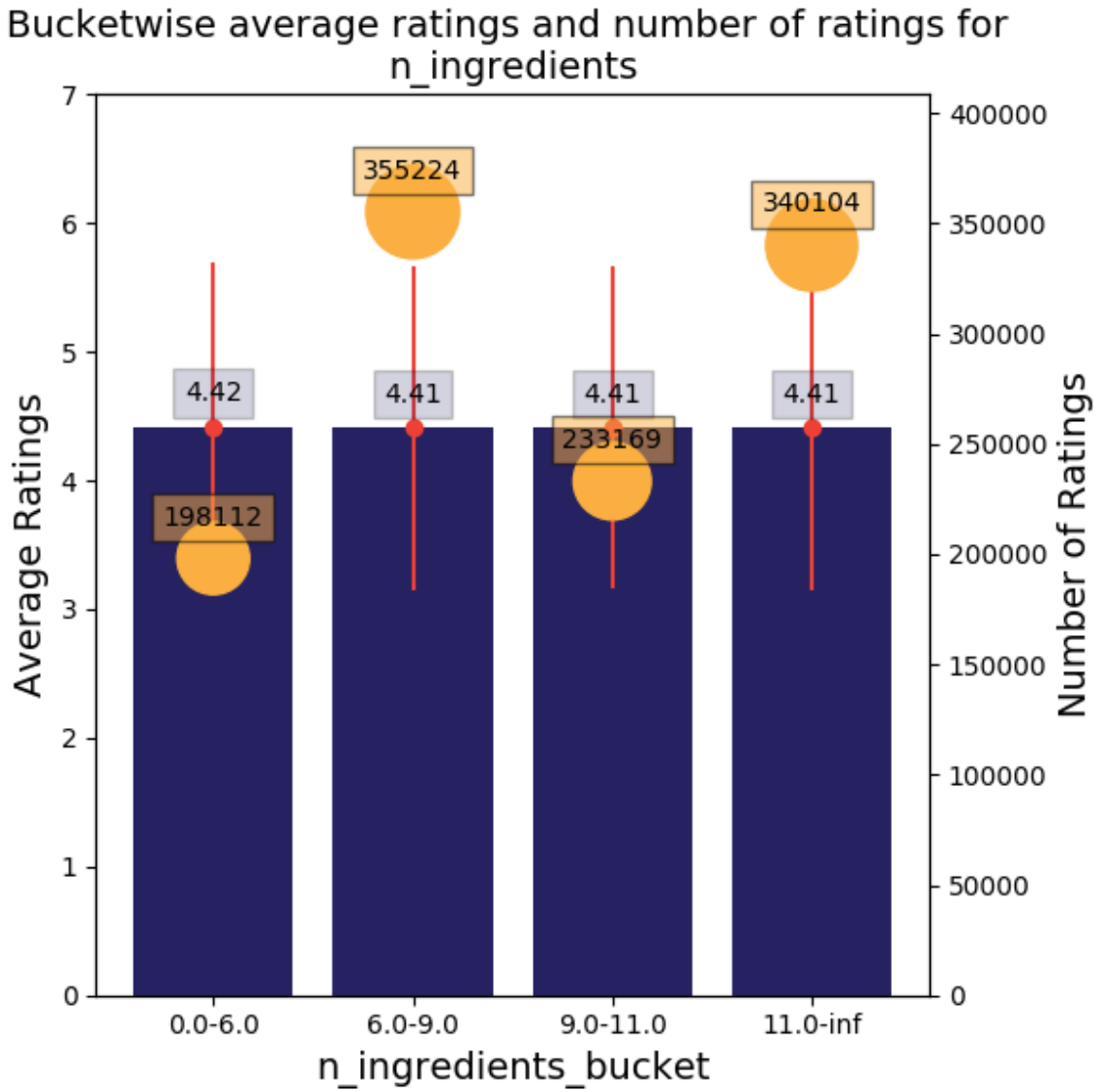
Low prep time is more preferred.



OBSERVATIONS

n_Steps-

- Steps are Clearly relevant
- Recipes with less than 2 steps are rated high.
- Recipes with more than 29 steps are rated very low.



OBSERVATIONS

n_ingredients

- Not relevant

Top 20 rated tags

individual_tag	avg_user_rating	n_user_ratings	n_recipes	in_percent_recipies	in_percent_interactions
preparation	4.4119124813277715	1123326	229318	0.9952779007491125	0.9970859455232471
time-to-make	4.414416558383976	1105132	224098	0.9726222407402585	0.98093659823417
course	4.412402044928726	1071920	217130	0.9423799727437654	0.9514569828574067
dietary	4.412032038984685	901277	163918	0.7114311259255401	0.7999909462821618
main-ingredient	4.424040070642098	864074	169549	0.7358705936477349	0.7669688418963456
easy	4.4183637556952755	630786	125789	0.5459449840715953	0.5598978882646952
occasion	4.4144829634028655	619666	113433	0.4923179083878024	0.5500275605822428
equipment	4.415547752950291	496985	69892	0.3033427948924941	0.4411335254733452
cuisine	4.416942151349161	478853	90639	0.39338819301580685	0.42503921058681404
low-in-something	4.414730950603082	445959	85258	0.37003376648177566	0.39584185817794815
main-dish	4.395996656937766	384079	71531	0.310456324922094	0.34091596995940915
60-minutes-or-less	4.405568569863525	343212	69929	0.30350338098834234	0.30464162810700074
number-of-servings	4.407139294746751	338857	58410	0.2535090232025208	0.3007760456378389
meat	4.408259712746521	319091	55769	0.2420466480907615	0.28323136065840054
taste-mood	4.412428615527087	310992	52060	0.2259489770231678	0.27604253117097416
north-american	4.413212293557913	283433	48182	0.20911781811237554	0.25158062823925603
30-minutes-or-less	4.4268528818028265	267003	55059	0.23896513111637718	0.23699704156455345
vegetables	4.454577657305231	259718	53562	0.23246790448165414	0.23053073426539286
oven	4.417805174050443	249669	30777	0.1335772505924325	0.22161104695595366
4-hours-or-less	4.383299863701983	247986	49450	0.21462114701874083	0.22011718351264725

Bottom five in tag_rating

individual_tag	avg_user_rating	n_user_ratings	n_recipes	in_percent_recipies	in_percent_interactions
cranberry-sauce	5.0	1	1	4.340164752654011E-6	8.876193959039915E-7
pot-roast	0.0	1	1	4.340164752654011E-6	8.876193959039915E-7
main-dish-seafood	0.0	1	1	4.340164752654011E-6	8.876193959039915E-7
ham-and-bean-soup	4.0	1	1	4.340164752654011E-6	8.876193959039915E-7
lamb-sheep-main-dish	0.0	1	1	4.340164752654011E-6	8.876193959039915E-7

Top rated tags

individual_tag	avg_user_rating	n_user_ratings	n_recipes	in_percent_recipies	in_percent_interactions
side-dishes-beans	5.0	2	2	8.680329505308021E-6	1.775238791807983E-6
cabbage	5.0	1	1	4.340164752654011E-6	8.876193959039915E-7
heirloom-historic...	5.0	3	2	8.680329505308021E-6	2.662858187711975E-6
middle-eastern-ma...	5.0	2	1	4.340164752654011E-6	1.775238791807983E-6
breakfast-potatoes	5.0	1	1	4.340164752654011E-6	8.876193959039915E-7

OBSERVATIONS - We can clearly observe Top 5 tags have low number of ratings.

Nutrition columns

- calories - Calories per serving seems irrelevant
- fat (per 100 cal) - Calories per serving seems irrelevant
- sat. fat (per 100 cal) - Calories per serving seems irrelevant
- carbs (per 100 cal) - Calories per serving seems irrelevant
- sugar (per 100 cal) - Calories per serving seems irrelevant
- sodium (per 100 cal) - Calories per serving seems irrelevant
- protein (per 100 cal) - Calories per serving seems irrelevant

More features

With rating = 5

1.User average years between review and submission high ratings .

2.User average Preparation time recipes reviewed high ratings

3.User average number of steps recipes reviewed high ratings

4. User average number of ingredients recipes reviewed high ratings

Conclusion And Recommendations

Top most features

a) Review time since submission
b) Number of steps
c) Preparation Times
d) Number of ingredients

- Number of ingredients in a recipe is not found to be relevant to the rating.
- The nutrition column such as fat, protein, sodium, sugar, calories are not found to be relevant in determining the rating of a recipe.
- Recipes reviewed by users after a long time from the submission date, having less number of steps, less number of ingredients and having less preparation time tend to have high ratings ie 5.

THANK YOU !!