Data 612

Final Project

Presentation



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Introduction

In this project, we are going to implement a recommender system using different algorithms for movie recommendations by using the *MovieLens* dataset, which can be found at [https://grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/latest/] or [http://grouplens.org/datasets/].

We will implement User-Based Collaborative Filtering (**UBCF**) model, Item-Based Collaborative Filtering (**IBCF**) model, singular value decomposition (**SVD**) model, alternating least square (**ALS**) model, and **Spark ALS** model to our datasets and compare their performance.



Note

To develop an efficient program of this project in PC environment but yet to effectively demonstrate building recommender systems using R studio, we will be covering two MovieLens datasets.

In the first section, a smaller MovieLens dataset will be used when building recommender systems using `Recommenderlab`.

In the second section, a larger MovieLens dataset with 27M+ ratings that is shrinked to around 12,000 users and 12,000 movies will be used when building a recommender system using `sparklyr`.



Project Flow



IMPORT DATA & EXPLORATION

Load the MovieLens datasets to our system and create our sample datasets.



BUILD MODELS w/ RECOMMENDERLA B

Build various models with recommenderlab.



COMPARE PERFORMANCES

Compare model performances with ROC Curves and RMSE metrics.



BUILD MODEL w/ SPARKLYR

Build ALS model with sparklyr and calculate its performance.

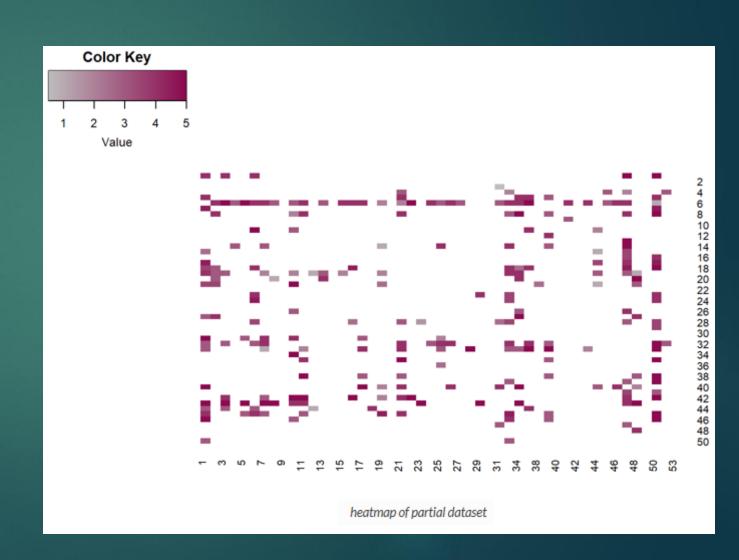


BUILD A UI w/ SHINY

Use shiny app to design a simple user interface.

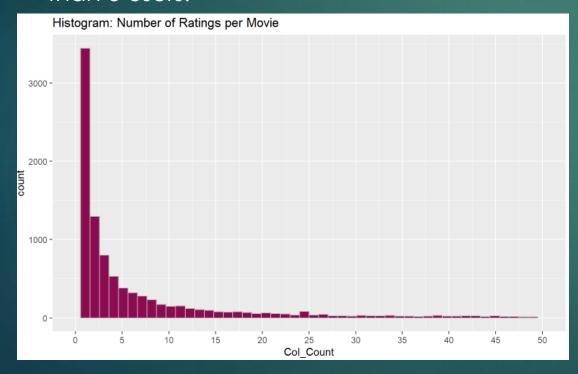
Q Data Exploration

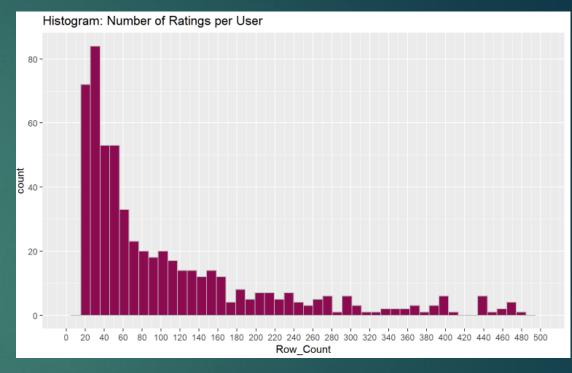
• The `ratings` dataset is very sparse.



Q Data Exploration

 Most movies are rated by no more than 5 users.





Users rated at least 20 movies.

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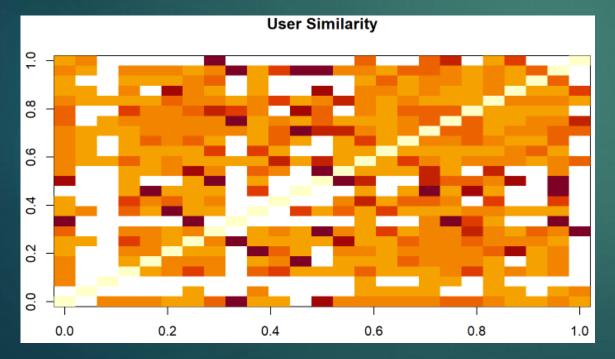
The 'movie' dataset contains

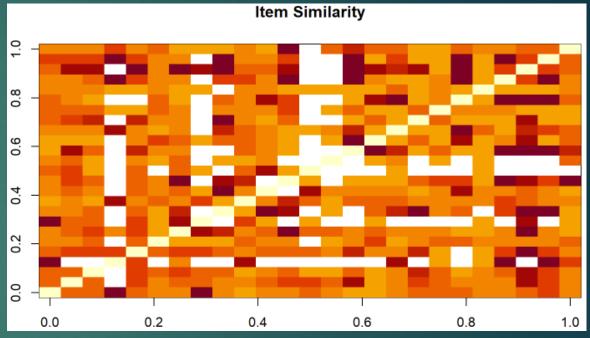
- movie IDs,
- movie titles, and
- genres.

| | movield <int></int> | title <fctr></fctr> | genres <fctr></fctr> | | |
|--------|------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| 1 | 1 | Toy Story (1995) | Adventure Animation Children Comedy Fantasy | | |
| 2 | 2 | Jumanji (1995) | Adventure Children Fantasy | | |
| 3 | 3 | Grumpier Old Men (1995) | Comedy Romance | | |
| 4 | 4 | Waiting to Exhale (1995) | Comedy Drama Romance | | |
| 5 | 5 | Father of the Bride Part II (1995) | Comedy | | |
| 6 | 6 | Heat (1995) | Action Crime Thriller | | |
| 6 rows | | | | | |

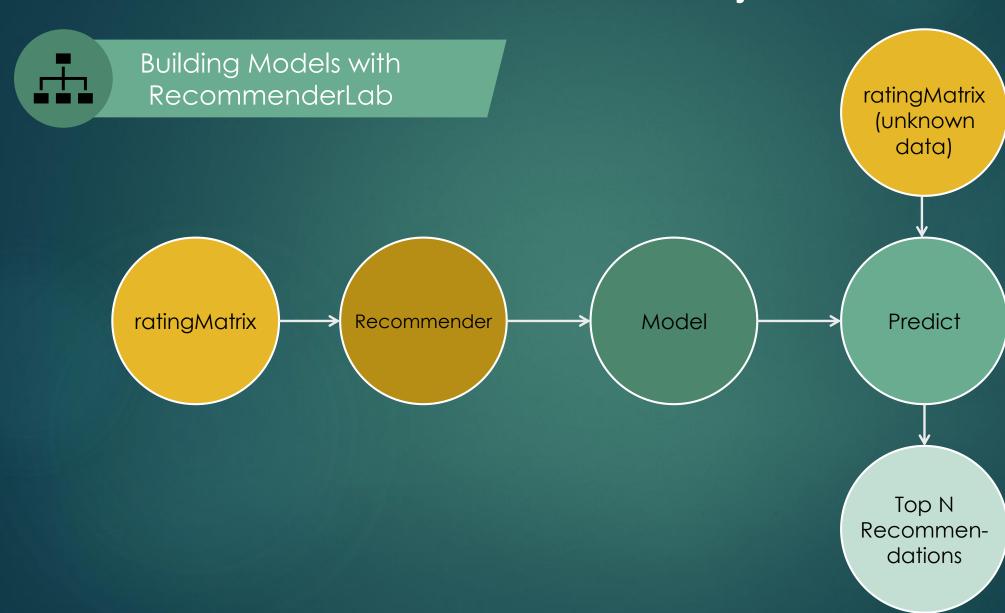
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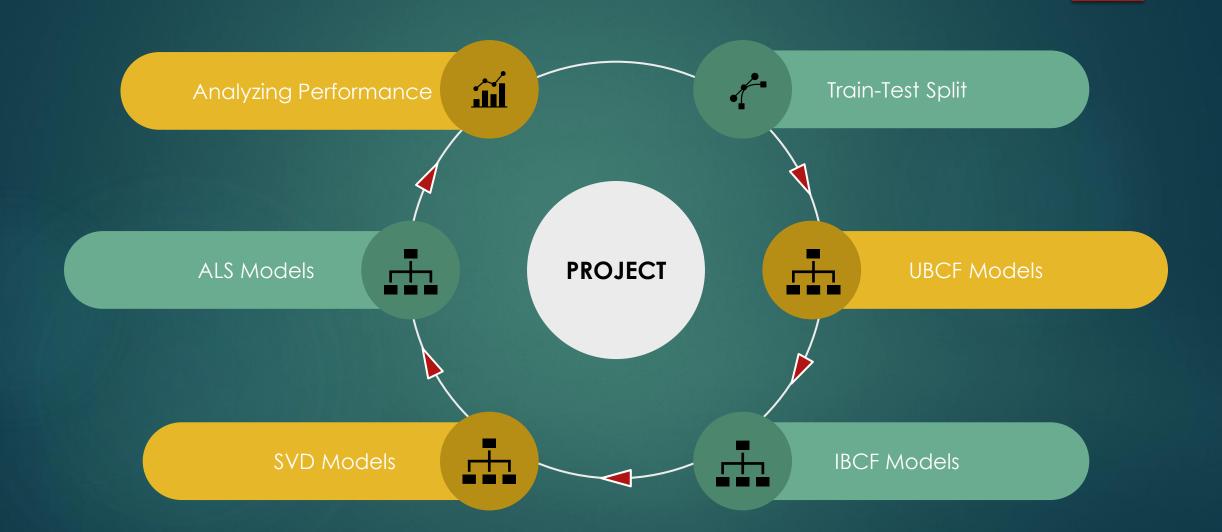
User Similarity





Item Similarity



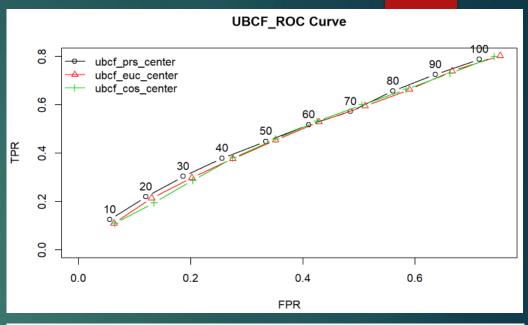


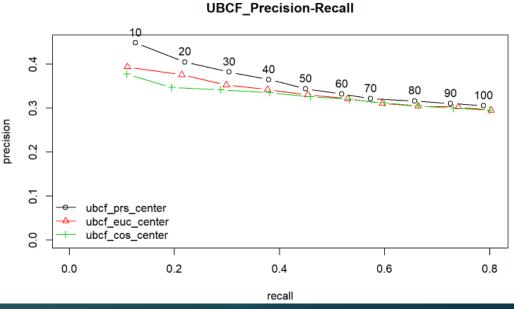


Building Models with RecommenderLab

User-Based Collaborative Filtering (UBCF)

User-Based Collaborative Filtering (UBCF) assumes that users with similar preferences will rate items similarly. Thus missing ratings for a user can be predicted by first finding a Movie of similar users and then aggregate the ratings of these users to form a prediction.





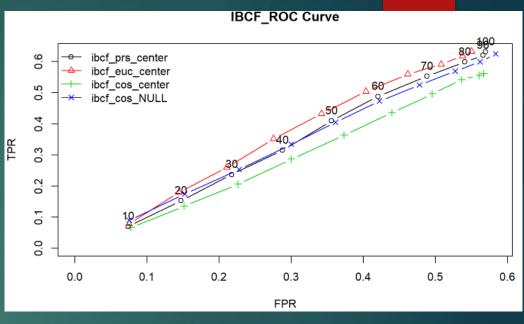


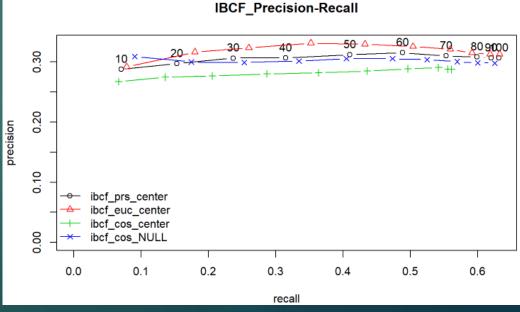
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Item-Based Collaborative Filtering (IBCF)

Item-Based Collaborative Filtering (IBCF) is a model-based approach which produces recommendations based on the relationship between items inferred from the rating matrix.

The assumption behind this approach is that users will prefer items that are similar to other items they like. The model-building step consists of calculating a similarity matrix containing all item-to-item similarities using a given similarity measure. Popular measures are Pearson correlation and Cosine similarity, which we have applied to our models.



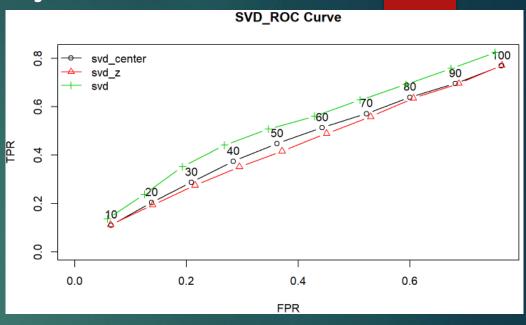


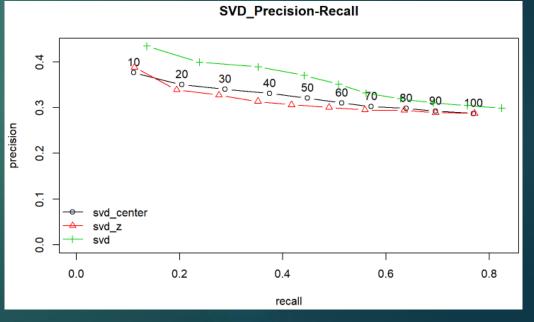


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Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) is a matrix factorization technique, which reduces the number of features of a dataset by reducing the space dimension from N-dimension to K-dimension (where K<N). In the context of the recommender system, the SVD is used as a collaborative filtering technique.



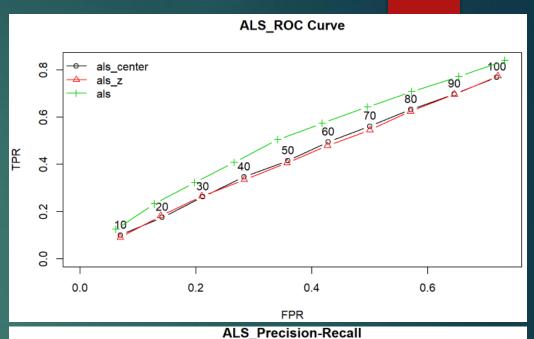


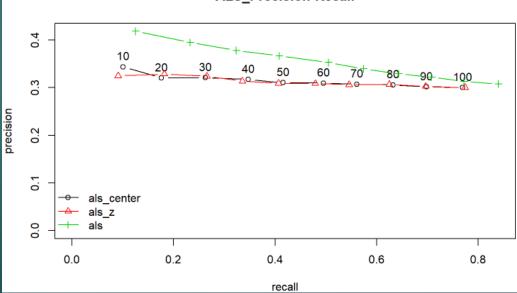


Building Models with RecommenderLab

Alternating Least Squares(ALS)

ALS recommender is a matrix factorization algorithm that uses Alternating Least Squares with Weighted-Lamda-Regularization (ALS-WR). It factors the user to item matrix A into the user-to-feature matrix U and the item-to-feature matrix M.







Analyzing Performance

Accuracy Metrics

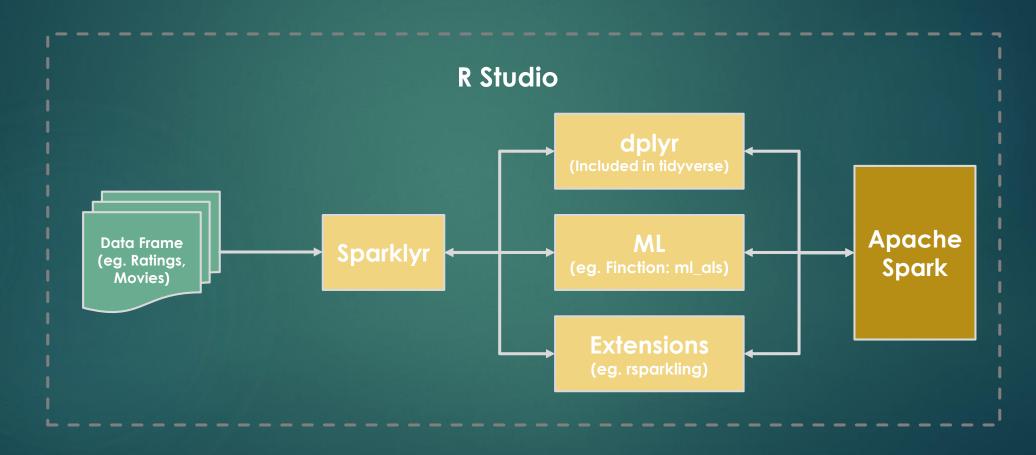
Among each algorithm, we have UBCF with Pearson correlation, IBCF with Euclidean distance, non-normalized SVD, and non-normalized ALS as the best model.

By comparing the accuracy of these four models, we have the non-normalized ALS model as the best model as it has the lowest RMSE value.

| Metrics Comparison | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|--|--|
| Model | RMSE | MSE | MAE | | | |
| ALS_error | 0.8946856 | 0.8004623 | 0.6858065 | | | |
| SVD_error | 0.9308717 | 0.8665221 | 0.7042577 | | | |
| IBCF_error | 1.0076847 | 1.0154284 | 0.7302223 | | | |
| UBCF_error | 1.0593320 | 1.1221843 | 0.7790488 | | | |



Building Recommender System in Spark





Building Recommender System in Spark

Load a Large Dataset

To meet the requirement of project but also make the it executable in PC, in the following part of this project, a `ratings` dataset that is shrinked to around 12,000+ users and 12,000+ movies with over 1 million ratings is loaded into R.

```
ratings %>%
select(user, item, rating) %>%
spread(key=item, value = rating) %>%
select(-user) %>%
as.matrix() %>%
as('realRatingMatrix')

12924 x 12057 rating matrix of class 'realRatingMatrix' with 1151103 ratings.
```



Building Recommender System in Spark

Create Local Spark Connection

- spark_config()
- spark_ connect(master, config)

```
Config Spark local server. Set 50% of our system(PC)'s accessible memory to Spark.
```{r set spark config}
conf <- spark_config()
conf$spark.memory.fraction <- 0.5

sc <- spark_connect(master = 'local', config = conf)
```</pre>
```

Copy Data to Spark

sdf_copy_to()

```
'``{r load data movielense}
sdf_movies <- sdf_copy_to(sc, movies, 'movies', overwrite = TRUE)
sdf_ratings <- sdf_copy_to(sc, ratings, 'ratings', overwrite = TRUE)
'``|</pre>
```



Building Recommender System in Spark

Train-Test-Split

sdf_random_split()

```
'``{r train test split 2}
movie_split <- sdf_ratings %>%
  sdf_random_split(training = 0.8, testing = 0.2)

movie_train <- movie_split$training
movie_test <- movie_split$testing

```</pre>
```

#### **Train Model**

ml\_als()

```
```{r train model in spark}
model_formula = rating ~ user + item
rec_als_spark <- ml_als(movie_train, model_formula, max_iter = 5)
```

Make Prediction

ml_predict()

```
```{r predict spark}
predict_spark <- ml_predict(rec_als_spark, movie_test)
```



# Building Recommender System in Spark

#### Make Top N Recommendation

ml\_recommend()

```
```{r}
ml_recommend(rec_als_spark, type = 'item', 5) %>%
 left_join(sdf_movies, by = 'item') %>%
  select(user, item, title) %>%
  arrange(user)
                                                                                                         item title
           790 Unforgettable Summer, An (Un Ãtà inoubliable) (1994)
         27093 Class Trip, The (La classe de neige) (1998)
         39244 Leila (1996)
          5395 Gambler, The (1974)
         26049 Fires on the Plain (Nobi) (1959)
      2 26049 Fires on the Plain (Nobi) (1959)
         27093 Class Trip, The (La classe de neige) (1998)
          7578 Midnight (1939)
      2 69354 Went the Day Well? (1942)
      2 39244 Leila (1996)
  1-10 of 1,000 rows
                                                                       Previous 1 2 3 4 5 6 ... 100 Next
```



Building Recommender System in Spark

Calculate RMSE

```
'``{r spark rmse, message=FALSE, warning=FALSE}

rmse_spark <- predict_spark %>%
  filter(!isnan(prediction)) %>%
  summarise((rating - prediction)^2 %>% mean() %>% sqrt()) %>%
  collect() %>%|
  as.numeric()

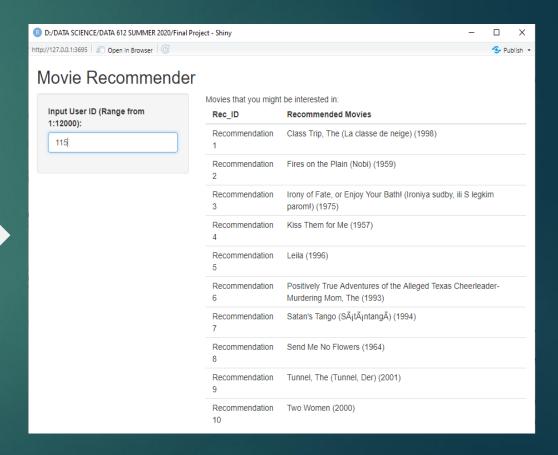
print(str_c('RMSE of Model Built in Spark: ',rmse_spark %>% as.character()))

[1] "RMSE of Model Built in Spark: 0.85406397406834"
```



Building User Interface with Shiny

```
`{r shiny, eval=FALSE}
ui <- fluidPage(
 titlePanel("Movie Recommender"),
 sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(
      textInput("txtInput", "Input User ID (Range from 1:12000):"),
    mainPanel(
      paste("Movies that you might be interested in:"),
      tableOutput('tbloutput')
server <- shinyServer(function(input,output){</pre>
 output$tbloutput <- renderTable({
   recommendations <- rec_result %>% filter(User == input$txtInput) %>%
      belect(Rec_ID, `Recommended Movies`)
shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```





Thank You