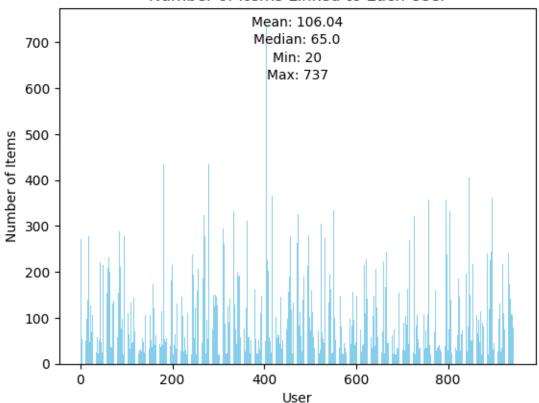
# Final Report

## Data exploration

With each of 943 user interacting with at least 20 items from 1682 we can rely on collaborative filtering to learn latent features of users and items

#### Number of Items Linked to Each User



#### Solution exploration

Nomenclature and overview:

- Explicit feedback
- Implicit feedback
- GNN
- Content-Based approaches
- Collaborative Filtering Approaches
- Hybrid Approaches
- Matrix Factorization
  - latent factors
- GNN vs Matrix Factorization
  - GNN are able to aggregate multi-hop neighborhoods
  - Matrix representation use only direct connections
- Supervised learning on graphs
  - Labels come from external sources (predict ratings of an interaction)
  - RMSE loss
- Self-supervised learning on graphs
  - Signals come from graphs themselves (predict if two nodes are connected)

- BPR (Bayesian Personalized Ranking) loss
- Graph representation
  - Adjacency matrix
  - COO format a memory efficient approach to store sparse matrices
- Adjacency matrix from bipartite graph

Two approaches that we can consider for the task

- Collaborative filtering using matrix factorization
- GNN using LightGCN

Let's use supervised LightGCN in order to solve this problem. The supervised version can be classified as a collaborative filtering approach since it uses only the interactions between users and items, without the consideration of metadata.

For a given graph structure the model will try to predict a rating that the user would give to every item that they have an edge with.

### Training process

• Loss:

RMSE = 
$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y})^2}$$

- Optimizer: Adam
- ITERATIONS =  $1\_000$
- EPOCHS = 10
- BATCH\_SIZE = 1024
- LR = 1e-3
- ITERS PER EVAL = 200
- ITERS\_PER\_LR\_DECAY = 200
- K = 10
- LAMBDA = 1e-6

#### **Evaluation**

The evaluation uses recall and precision. By top-k highest predicted item's per user.

#### TODO:

- implement dataloader to train in batches
- save weight
- evaluate