

Data Description: The dataset used for this project is the Netflix Movie Rating Dataset from Kaggle (Source: <https://www.kaggle.com/netflix-inc/netflix-prize-data> )

This dataset is large enough to build a good recommendation model and is adapted from 'Netflix Prize Dataset' which is so large that programmers may face memory issues while training a model using that dataset.

Movie file description: Movie\_ID, Name, Year  
Rating file description: Movie\_ID, User\_ID, Name, Year

Let us build a Latent - Factor Based Recommender System to recommend movies to users.  
Part 1: Setting up the data:

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In [1]: from collections import defaultdict
import scipy
import scipy.optimize
import numpy
import random

In [2]: path = "D:/TRL/OneDrive/CourseraPython/Final_Course4/NetflixFRatingData/NetflixF_Data
path2 = "D:/TRL/OneDrive/CourseraPython/Final_Course4/NetflixFRatingData/NetflixF_Dat

In [3]: f = open(path)

In [4]: header = f.readline()

In [5]: header = header.strip().split(',')

In [6]: header
Out[6]: ['User_ID', 'Rating', 'Movie_ID']

In [7]: dataset = []

In [8]: for line in f:
    fields = line.strip().split(',')
    d = dict(zip(header, fields))
    d['Rating'] = int(d['Rating'])
    d['User_ID'] = int(d['User_ID'])
    d['Movie_ID'] = int(d['Movie_ID'])
    dataset.append(d)

In [9]: type(d['User_ID']), type(d['Movie_ID']), type(d['Rating'])
Out[9]: (int, int, int)

In [10]: dataset[0]
Out[10]: {'User_ID': 712664, 'Rating': 5, 'Movie_ID': 3}

In [11]: # create a dictionary with movie data, i.e. movie id, year of release
# and movie name
f2 = open(path2)
header = f2.readline()
header = header.strip().split(',')
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movie_data = []
for line in f2:
    fields2 = line.strip().split(',')
    d = dict(zip(header, fields2))
    movie_data.append(d)

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In [12]: `movie_data[0]`

Out[12]: `{'Movie_ID': '1', 'Year': '2003', 'Name': 'Dinosaur Planet'}`

In [13]: `movie_data[0]['Movie_ID']`

Out[13]: `'1'`

In [14]: `k = [item for item in movie_data if item['Movie_ID']=='1']`  
`k`

Out[14]: `[{'Movie_ID': '1', 'Year': '2003', 'Name': 'Dinosaur Planet'}]`

In [15]: `for i in movie_data:`  
 `if i['Movie_ID'] == '1':`  
 `print(i)`  
 `break`

`{'Movie_ID': '1', 'Year': '2003', 'Name': 'Dinosaur Planet'}`

In [16]: `type(movie_data), type(movie_data[0])`

Out[16]: `(list, dict)`

Part 2: Finding Similarities Predict a rating to a new movie based on the ratings given to movies by a user and the movie names. We can also calculate the total votes and helpful votes for each movie.

In [17]: *# users per movie refer to the no. of Netflix users who watched and rated a movie*  
*# movies per user refer to the no. of movies that were rated by netflix users.*  
`UsersPerMovie = defaultdict(set)`  
`MoviesPerUser = defaultdict(set)`  
  
`MovieNames = {}`  
  
`for d in dataset:`  
 `user,movie = d['User_ID'], d['Movie_ID']`  
 `UsersPerMovie[movie].add(user)`  
 `MoviesPerUser[user].add(movie)`

Functions to find Similarities:

Jaccard function calculates similarity between two movies: by dividing the number of users who watched both the movies by the number of users who watched either movie.

MostSimilar function : takes an input of a movie id "m\_ID" and a value n that is the number of similar movies (i.e. movie ids) that we need to output from the function. This function will then return the n most similar movies to the movie 'm\_ID'

In [18]: `def Jaccard(s1,s2):`  
 `numerator = len(s1.intersection(s2))`

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denominator = len(s1.union(s2))  
return numerator / denominator
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In [19]: def MostSimilar(m_ID,n):  
    similarities = []  
    users = UsersPerMovie[m_ID]  
    for i in UsersPerMovie:  
        if i == m_ID: continue  
        sim = Jaccard(users,UsersPerMovie[i])  
        # this is the similarity between number of users who watched movie m_ID and  
        similarities.append((sim,i))  
    similarities.sort(reverse=True)  
    return similarities[:n]
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In [20]: UsersPerMovie[3] # number of users who watched movie 3
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In [21]: # the following gives the number of movies in the dictionary UsersPerMovie.  
# against each movie i, we have a list of users who watched and rated that  
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for i in UsersPerMovie:  
    print(i)
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Getting a recommendation:

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In [22]: m_ID = 3
MostSimilar(m_ID,5)
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Out[22]: [(0.12352209085252022, 3301),
(0.11056751467710371, 4450),
(0.08810335546384353, 1479),
(0.08634175691937425, 3404),
(0.08425055033019811, 4155)]
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In [23]: print(i)
m_ID
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Out[23]: 3
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In [24]: # Now, we need to find the movie names using the the dataset: movie_data

# MovieNames[movie_data[movie]] = d['Name']
i=1
MovieNames = [movie_data[i[1]-1] for i in MostSimilar(m_ID,5)]
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In [25]: #MostSimilar(m_ID,5)[0][1]
#MostSimilar(m_ID,5)[0]
MostSimilar(m_ID,5)
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Out[25]: [(0.12352209085252022, 3301),
(0.11056751467710371, 4450),
(0.08810335546384353, 1479),
(0.08634175691937425, 3404),
(0.08425055033019811, 4155)]
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In [26]: MovieNames
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Out[26]: [{'Movie_ID': '3301', 'Year': '1994', 'Name': 'Burnt by the Sun'},
{'Movie_ID': '4450', 'Year': '1987', 'Name': 'Pelle the Conqueror'},
{'Movie_ID': '1479', 'Year': '2002', 'Name': 'Man on the Train'},
{'Movie_ID': '3404', 'Year': '2000', 'Name': 'Not One Less'},
{'Movie_ID': '4155', 'Year': '2000', 'Name': 'East/West'}]
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### Part 3: Collaborative - Filtering Based Rating Estimation

This part is to make predictions about user's ratings. Specifically, a user's rating for a movie is assumed to be a weighted sum of their previous ratings, weighted by how similar the query movie is to each of their previous views.

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In [27]: ratingsPerUser = defaultdict(list)
ratingsPerMovie = defaultdict(list)

for d in dataset:
    user,movie = d['User_ID'], d['Movie_ID']
    ratingsPerUser[user].append(d)
    ratingsPerMovie[movie].append(d)
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In [28]: # Calculate the mean rating of the entire dataset
import numpy as np
mean_rating = np.mean([dataset[i]['Rating'] for i in range(len(dataset))])
mean_rating
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Out[28]: 3.590569909383486
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In [29]: dataset[15]
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Out[29]: {'User_ID': 1694958, 'Rating': 3, 'Movie_ID': 3}
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In [30]: # Function to predict rating of a movie based on a user and a movie

def PredictRating(user,movie):
    ratings = []
    similarities = []
    for d in ratingsPerUser[user]: # i.e. all the movies and ratings by the user.
        i = d['Movie_ID']
        if i == movie: continue
        ratings.append(d['Rating'])
        users = UsersPerMovie[movie]
        similarities.append(Jaccard(users,UsersPerMovie[i]))
    if(sum(similarities) > 0):
        weightedRatings = [(x*y) for x,y in zip(ratings, similarities)]
        return sum(weightedRatings) / sum(similarities)
    else:
        return mean_rating
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In [31]: user, movie = dataset[10]['User_ID'], dataset[10]['Movie_ID']
PredictRating(user,movie)
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Out[31]: 3.553601713242338
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In [32]: dataset[0]
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Out[32]: {'User_ID': 712664, 'Rating': 5, 'Movie_ID': 3}
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#### Part 4: Evaluating Performance By calculating MSE

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In [33]: def MSE(predictions, labels):
differences = [(x-y)**2 for x,y in zip(predictions, labels)]
return sum(differences) / len(differences)
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In [34]: p_mean = [mean_rating for d in dataset]
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In [36]: # To reduce computation time, the size of the dataset has been reduced to 100
predictions = []
count = 0
for d in dataset[:1000]:
    predictions.append(PredictRating(d['User_ID'], d['Movie_ID']))
    count+= count+1
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In [37]: count
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Out[37]: 1000
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In [38]: PredictRating(d['User_ID'], d['Movie_ID'])
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Out[38]: 3.0793295588716907

In [39]: *# our predictions from using the function PredictRating above:*  
*#predictions = [PredictRating(d['User\_ID'], d['Movie\_ID']) for d in dataset]*

In [40]: labels = [d['Rating'] for d in dataset[:1000]]

In [41]: MSE(p\_mean, labels)

Out[41]: 0.9531906895087604

In [42]: MSE(predictions, labels)

Out[42]: 0.718229871418949

In this case, our rating prediction model was better in terms of MSE than predicting the mean rating.

## Latent Factor based Recommender Systems

In [43]: *# This is from above:*

```
ratingsPerUser = defaultdict(list)
ratingsPerMovie = defaultdict(list)

for d in dataset:
    user, movie = d['User_ID'], d['Movie_ID']
    ratingsPerUser[user].append(d)
    ratingsPerMovie[movie].append(d)
```

In [44]: *# Get the length of the dataset and the above dictionaries*  
*# due to computational issue, the size of the dataset was reduced*  
dataset = dataset[:1000]

```
N = len(dataset)
nUsers = len(ratingsPerUser) # number of users
nMovies = len(ratingsPerMovie) # number of movies

# Get the List of keys
users = list(ratingsPerUser.keys())
movies = list(ratingsPerMovie.keys())

# calculate the variables of our model: alpha, userBiases and MovieBiases
alpha = sum([d['Rating'] for d in dataset]) / len(dataset)
UserBiases = defaultdict(float)
MovieBiases = defaultdict(float)

def MSE(predictions, labels):
    differences = [(x-y)**2 for x,y in zip(predictions, labels)]
    return sum(differences)/len(differences)
```

In [45]: *# LFM = Latent Factor Model*  
def Prediction\_LFM(user, movie):  
 return alpha + UserBiases[user] + MovieBiases[movie]

In [46]: *# unpack function to unpack the vector theta into the offset and bias terms*  
def unpack(theta):  
 global alpha

```

global UserBiases
global MovieBiases
alpha = theta[0]
UserBiases = dict(zip(users, theta[1:nUsers+1])) # is the +1 reqd here?
MovieBiases = dict(zip(movies, theta[1+nUsers:]))

```

In [47]: *# we will find theta such that the foll cost function is optimised:  
# this gives the regularized MSE of the solution:*

```

def cost(theta, labels, lamb):
    unpack(theta)
    predictions = [Prediction_LFM(d['User_ID'], d['Movie_ID']) for d in dataset]
    cost = MSE(predictions, labels)
    print("MSE = " + str(cost))
    for u in UserBiases:
        cost += lamb*UserBiases[u]**2
    for i in MovieBiases:
        cost += lamb*MovieBiases[i]**2
    return cost

```

In [48]: *# the derivative function:*

```

def derivative(theta, labels, lamb):
    unpack(theta)
    N = len(dataset)
    dalpha = 0
    dUserBiases = defaultdict(float)
    dMovieBiases = defaultdict(float)
    for d in dataset:
        u,i = d['User_ID'], d['Movie_ID']
        pred = Prediction_LFM(u,i)
        diff = pred - d['Rating']
        dalpha += 2/N*diff
        dUserBiases[u] += 2/N*diff
        dMovieBiases[i] += 2/N*diff
    for u in UserBiases:
        dUserBiases[u] += 2*lamb*UserBiases[u]
    for i in MovieBiases:
        dMovieBiases[i] += 2*lamb*MovieBiases[i]
    dtheta = [alpha] + [dUserBiases[u] for u in users] + [dMovieBiases[i] for i in
    return numpy.array(dtheta)

```

In [49]: *# MSE when always predicting mean*

```

p_mean = [alpha for d in dataset]
labels = [d['Rating'] for d in dataset]

MSE(p_mean, labels)

```

Out[49]: 0.9525439999999995

In [50]: *# The gradient descent model using scipy:*

```

scipy.optimize.fmin_l_bfgs_b(cost, [alpha] + [0.0]*(nUsers+nMovies),
                             derivative, args = (labels, 0.001))

```

```

MSE = 0.9525439999999995
MSE = 1.951199431486239
MSE = 0.9805295329824282
MSE = 0.9536613460427796
MSE = 0.9525871148504756
MSE = 0.9525446716409175
MSE = 0.9525437663728146
MSE = 0.9525439339219235
MSE = 0.9525439853029469
MSE = 0.952543996863862
MSE = 0.952543999336417
MSE = 0.9525439998598355
MSE = 0.9525439999704095
MSE = 0.9525439999937427
MSE = 0.952543999998686
MSE = 0.952543999999725
MSE = 0.9525439999999505
MSE = 0.9525439999999831
MSE = 0.9525440000000086
MSE = 0.9525439999999844
MSE = 0.9525439999999936
Out[50]: (array([3.616, 0.    , 0.    , ..., 0.    , 0.    , 0.    ]),
0.9525439999999936,
{'grad': array([ 3.616e+00, -2.768e-03, -7.680e-04, ...,  0.000e+00,  0.000e+00,
  0.000e+00]),
'task': 'ABNORMAL_TERMINATION_IN_LNSRCH',
'funcalls': 21,
'nit': 0,
'warnflag': 2})

```

## The Complete Latent Factor Model:

```

In [51]: # For each user and item, we now have an additional Low-dimensional
# descriptor of user's preferences of dimension K = gamma_u. And, a
# K dimensional representation of each item = gamma_k
# Model: f(u,i) = alpha + beta_u + beta_i + gamma_u*gamma_i
# the gamma term is the interaction term which tries to answer :
# Are the user preferences consistent with the item's properties?

```

```

UserBiases = defaultdict(float)
MovieBiases = defaultdict(float)
UserGamma = {}
MovieGamma = {}

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```
K = 2
```

```

In [52]: for u in ratingsPerUser:
    UserGamma[u] = [random.random()*0.1 - 0.05 for k in range(K)]

    for i in ratingsPerMovie:
        MovieGamma[i] = [random.random()*0.1 - 0.05 for k in range(K) ]

```

```

In [53]: # unpack function taking into account additional terms

```

```

def unpack(theta):
    global alpha
    global UserBiases
    global MovieBiases
    global UserGamma
    global MovieGamma
    index = 0
    alpha = theta[index]
    index += 1

```

```

UserBiases = dict(zip(users, theta[index: index+nUsers]))
index += nUsers
MovieBiases = dict(zip(movies, theta[index:index+nMovies]))
index += nMovies
for u in users:
    UserGamma[u] = theta[index:index+K]
    index+=K
for m in movies:
    MovieGamma[m] = theta[index:index+K]
    index += K

```

```

In [54]: def inner(x,y):
        return sum([a*b for a,b in zip(x,y)])

```

```

In [55]: def prediction(user,movie):
        return alpha + UserBiases[user] + MovieBiases[movie] + inner(UserGamma[user],
        MovieGamma[movie])

def cost(theta, labels, lamb):
    unpack(theta)
    predictions = [prediction(d['User_ID'], d['Movie_ID']) for d in dataset]
    cost = MSE(predictions, labels)
    print("MSE=" + str(cost))
    for u in users:
        cost+=lamb*UserBiases[u]**2
        for k in range(K):
            cost += lamb*UserGamma[u][k]**2
    for i in movies:
        cost += lamb*MovieBiases[i]**2
        for k in range(K):
            cost += lamb*MovieGamma[i][k]**2
    return cost

```

```

In [56]: def derivative(theta, labels, lamb):
    unpack(theta)
    N = len(dataset)
    dalpha = 0
    dUserBiases = defaultdict(float)
    dMovieBiases = defaultdict(float)
    dUserGamma = {}
    dMovieGamma = {}
    for u in ratingsPerUser:
        dUserGamma[u] = [0.0 for k in range(K)]
    for i in ratingsPerMovie:
        dMovieGamma[i] = [0.0 for k in range(K)]
    for d in dataset:
        u,i = d['User_ID'], d['Movie_ID']
        pred = prediction(u, i)
        diff = pred - d['Rating']
        dalpha += 2/N*diff
        dUserBiases[u] += 2/N*diff
        dMovieBiases[i] += 2/N*diff
        for k in range(K):
            dUserGamma[u][k] += 2/N*MovieGamma[i][k]*diff
            dMovieGamma[i][k] += 2/N*UserGamma[u][k]*diff
    for u in UserBiases:
        dUserBiases[u] += 2*lamb*UserBiases[u]
        for k in range(K):
            dUserGamma[u][k] += 2*lamb*UserGamma[u][k]
    for i in MovieBiases:
        dMovieBiases[i] += 2*lamb*MovieBiases[i]
        for k in range(K):
            dMovieGamma[i][k] += 2*lamb*MovieGamma[i][k]
    dtheta = [dalpha] + [dUserBiases[u] for u in users] + [dMovieBiases[i] for i in movies] + [dUserGamma[u][k] for u in users for k in range(K)] + [dMovieGamma[i][k] for i in movies for k in range(K)]

```

```

for u in users:
    dtheta += dUserGamma[u]
for i in movies:
    dtheta += dMovieGamma[i]
return numpy.array(dtheta)

```

In [57]: MSE(p\_mean, labels)

Out[57]: 0.9525439999999995

In [58]: `scipy.optimize.fmin_l_bfgs_b(cost, [alpha] +`  
`[0.0]*(nUsers+nMovies) +`  
`[random.random() * 0.1 - 0.05 for k in range(K*(`  
`derivative, args = (labels, 0.001), maxfun = 10, maxit`

```

MSE=1.9148411401272962
MSE=1.9135443686957903
MSE=1.908351404372158
MSE=49.902015833867964
MSE=7.554367849469394
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MSE=1.908351404372158
MSE=1.908351404372158

```

```
Out[58]: (array([ 3.61840654e+00,  2.00307767e-01,  5.55273909e-02, ...,
                -4.04355908e-02, -1.45345873e-02,  2.37388126e-04]),
          2.105026656699331,
          {'grad': array([ 9.49322611e-03, -1.95815467e-03, -5.37643812e-04, ...,
                          -8.08711815e-05, -2.90691747e-05,  4.74776251e-07]),
           'task': 'ABNORMAL_TERMINATION_IN_LNSRCH',
           'funcalls': 43,
           'nit': 1,
           'warnflag': 1})
```

Using the latent factor method, the rating prediction model is worse than predicting ratings using the dataset mean rating in terms of the MSE.

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