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Complete The Look Recommendation with Street Fashion Images

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► Given an item(clothing) in the shopping cart the problem statement is to suggest items complementary to it which may contain garments or accessories which makes a complete set as per current fashion.

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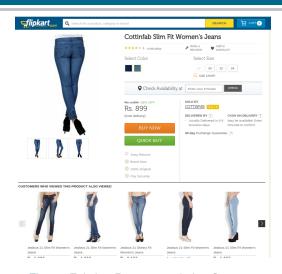


Figure: Existing Recommendation Systems





Figure: Visualization of the problem statement

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Approach Flow Diagram



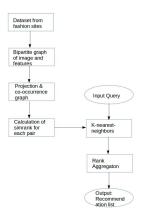


Figure: Flow Diagram of Proposed Approach

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- ► Ended up with a codebook of total of 48 unique categories including garments like tops, jeans, etc. and accessories like watches, bracelets, etc. and 632 unique items i.e. category-description pair.



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- ▶ We get a list of k part features $p_1, p_2, ...p_k$ which are structurally close to the input feature and thus they can be recommended for the given query part feature.

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Formula

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precision = no of matched recommendations no of recommendations recall = no of matched recommendation no of items in actual image
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Out of the 158 recommendation sets that we tested, 53 were 1 part feature input, 54 were 2 part feature input and 51 as 3 part feature input. For each generated recommendations we calculated the precision and recall.

Table: Precision

No. of inputs	Max Precision	Avg Precision
1	1	0.31
2	0.75	0.31
3	0.6	0.28

Table: Recall

No. of inputs	Max Recall	Avg Recall
1	0.8	0.23
2	1	0.44
3	1	0.48

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Table: f1 score

No. of inputs	Max f1	Min f1
1	0.89	0.13
2	0.71	0.1
3	0.67	0.1

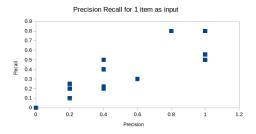
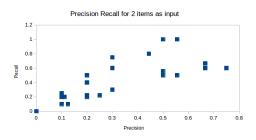
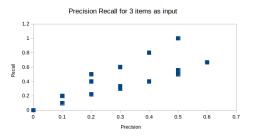


Figure: Precision-Recall for 1 item input

Experimental Results Precision Recall Graphs







Experimental Results Manual Evaluation Results



Table: User rating for recommendation

Rate(out of 10)	Frequency	Cumulative Freq.
10	1	1
9	2	3
8	9	12
7	9	21
6	5	26
5	11	37
4	11	48
3	6	54
2	4	58
1	2	60

Future Work



- ▶ Features for representation of parts are to be improved by incorporating visual features. Inclusion of visual features will also include the analysis of features like color, texture, etc. which is expected to improve the quality of evaluation.
- ► A feedback system can be added to the system as to increase edge weights to the features which are shopped together by users. This will be a self learning system and incorporate the changes in trending fashion all by itself.

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