## COMPETITION PROJECT INF 553

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## My Approach:

Model Based Recommendation System

Single Value Decomposition:

Considered model based approach to build the recommendation system . Extracted the user\_id , business\_id and ratings features from train\_review.json . In order to provide sufficient per-user data for models to learn, or to avoid the *cold-start* problem, users who have fewer than 1 review are filtered out.

Performed 5 fold Cross Validation in order to select the best set of parameters for our SVD Model since it utilizes gradient descent approach for training. Selected no of epochs , learning rate and regularization parameter for the model using the same .

SVD Model was fit with the training data and thereafter the predictions were generated which were written into the output file in the expected format. The RMSE on the test and blind set were calculated during the submission period on Vocareum.