A Additional Tables and Figures

A.1 Tables

We provide seven additional tables showing results for recall@10 referenced in Sections 5.1 (Table A1), the full results for Table 3 in Section 5.2 and the corresponding results for recall@10 (Tables A2 and A3), the complete results for Table 4 for both nDCG@10 and recall@10 (Tables A4 and A5), the results for general recommenders with temporal LOO omitted from Section 5.3 (Table A6), and the results for general recommenders with split-by-timepoint LOO for recall@10 referenced in Section 5.3 (Table A7).

Table A1: Performance of sequential recommenders with temporal LOO and split-by-timestamp LOO, and the relative differences in Recall@10. Bold and underline indicate the best and second best performing models for each combination of evaluation strategy, evaluation metric and data set.

| | | Pop | ularity-sample | d | Unsampled | | | |
|--------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--|
| | Model | T-LOO (Recall@10) | ST-LOO (Recall@10) | Perf. diff (%) | T-LOO (Recall@10) | ST-LOO (Recall@10) | Perf. diff (%) | |
| | FPMC | 0.5439 | 0.2163 | -60.23% | 0.1934 | 0.0328 | -83.04% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.6790 | 0.2525 | -62.81% | 0.2886 | 0.0320 | -88.91% | |
| | Caser | 0.5899 | $\overline{0.2231}$ | -62.18% | 0.1935 | 0.0177 | -90.85% | |
| | SASRec | 0.6952 | 0.2424 | -65.13% | 0.3141 | 0.0354 | -88.73% | |
| ML-1m | BERT4Rec | 0.6755 | 0.2096 | -68.97% | 0.2839 | $\overline{0.0227}$ | -92.00% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.6874 | 0.2780 | -59.56% | 0.3121 | 0.0469 | -84.97% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.6705 | 0.2197 | -67.23% | $\overline{0.2647}$ | 0.0311 | -88.25% | |
| | SINE | 0.4755 | 0.1667 | -64.94% | 0.0990 | 0.0160 | -83.84% | |
| | FEARec | 0.6671 | 0.2071 | -68.96% | 0.2469 | 0.0278 | -88.74% | |
| | FPMC | 0.6305 | 0.4400 | -30.21% | 0.0354 | 0.0150 | -57.63% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.6808 | 0.5055 | -25.75% | 0.0451 | 0.0201 | -55.43% | |
| | Caser | 0.6549 | 0.4628 | -29.33% | 0.0334 | 0.0172 | -48.50% | |
| | SASRec | 0.6985 | 0.5063 | -27.52% | 0.0634 | 0.0293 | -53.79% | |
| Yelp | BERT4Rec | 0.6591 | 0.4848 | -26.45% | 0.0406 | 0.0192 | -52.71% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| | LightSANs | 0.7132 | 0.5228 | -26.70% | 0.0620 | 0.0290 | -53.23% | |
| | SINE | 0.6786 | 0.5318 | -21.63% | 0.0528 | 0.0283 | -46.40% | |
| | FEARec | 0.7073 | 0.5388 | -23.82% | 0.0593 | 0.0270 | -54.47% | |
| | FPMC | 0.1772 | 0.1466 | -17.27% | 0.1085 | 0.1007 | -7.19% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.1987 | 0.1623 | -18.32% | 0.1211 | 0.0911 | -24.77% | |
| | Caser | 0.1917 | 0.1526 | -20.4% | 0.1273 | 0.0983 | -22.78% | |
| | SASRec | 0.2026 | 0.1603 | -20.88% | 0.1289 | 0.0954 | -25.99% | |
| Steam | BERT4Rec | 0.1861 | 0.1522 | -18.22% | 0.1251 | 0.0951 | -23.98% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.2069 | 0.1555 | -24.84% | 0.1259 | 0.0915 | -27.32% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.2371 | 0.1572 | -33.7% | 0.1318 | 0.0955 | -27.54% | |
| | SINE | 0.1942 | 0.1496 | -22.97% | 0.1201 | 0.0997 | -16.99% | |
| | FEARec | 0.2062 | 0.1601 | -22.36% | 0.1305 | 0.0983 | -24.67% | |
| | FPMC | 0.3218 | 0.1141 | -64.54% | 0.0645 | 0.0139 | -78.45% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.3271 | 0.1780 | -45.58% | 0.0574 | 0.0176 | -69.34% | |
| | Caser | 0.3038 | 0.1462 | -51.88% | 0.0356 | 0.0132 | -62.92% | |
| | SASRec | 0.3772 | 0.1903 | -49.55% | 0.0843 | 0.0238 | -71.77% | |
| Beauty | BERT4Rec | 0.2908 | 0.1485 | -48.93% | 0.0360 | 0.0108 | -70.00% | |
| , | S ³ -Rec | 0.3653 | 0.1793 | -50.92% | 0.0786 | 0.0177 | -77.48% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.4077 | 0.1941 | -52.39% | 0.0875 | 0.0223 | -74.51% | |
| | SINE | 0.3832 | 0.1089 | -71.58% | 0.0669 | 0.0043 | -93.57% | |
| | FEARec | 0.4050 | 0.1309 | -67.68% | 0.0861 | 0.0183 | -78.75% | |

Table A2: Performance of sequential recommenders with temporal LOO split into active and inactive users in nDCG@10. Active users have interactions after the cut-off date used in split-by-timepoint LOO. All other users are inactive.

| | | Popularity- | sampled + Tempo | oral LOO | Unsampled + Temporal LOO | | | |
|--------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--|
| | Model | Active users (nDCG@10) | Inactive users (nDCG@10) | Perf. diff (%) | Active users (nDCG@10) | Inactive users (nDCG@10) | Perf. diff (%) | |
| | FPMC | 0.1818 | 0.3699 | +103.47% | 0.0486 | 0.1158 | +138.27% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.2377 | 0.5068 | +113.21% | 0.0739 | 0.1842 | +149.26% | |
| | Caser | 0.1785 | 0.4044 | +126.55% | 0.0429 | 0.1118 | +160.61% | |
| | SASRec | 0.2600 | 0.5271 | +102.73% | 0.0789 | 0.1977 | +150.57% | |
| ML-1m | BERT4Rec | 0.2446 | 0.5018 | +105.15% | 0.0732 | 0.1754 | +139.62% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.2645 | 0.5192 | +96.29% | 0.0756 | 0.1975 | +161.24% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.2456 | 0.4942 | +101.22% | 0.0749 | 0.1630 | +117.62% | |
| | SINE | 0.1296 | 0.2894 | +123.30% | 0.0178 | 0.0496 | +178.65% | |
| | FEARec | 0.2376 | 0.4915 | +106.86% | 0.0567 | 0.1462 | +157.85% | |
| | FPMC | 0.3444 | 0.3981 | +15.59% | 0.0164 | 0.0231 | +40.85% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.3913 | 0.4567 | +16.71% | 0.0185 | 0.0292 | +57.84% | |
| | Caser | 0.3624 | 0.4215 | +16.31% | 0.0129 | 0.0216 | +67.44% | |
| | SASRec | 0.4167 | 0.4782 | +14.76% | 0.0342 | 0.0414 | +21.05% | |
| Yelp | BERT4Rec S ³ -Rec | 0.3711 | 0.4360 | +17.49% | 0.0157 | 0.0271 | +72.61% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.4277 | 0.4896 | +14.47% | 0.0319 | 0.0401 | +25.71% | |
| | SINE | 0.3926 | 0.4631 | +17.96% | 0.0251 | 0.0351 | +39.84% | |
| | FEARec | 0.4165 | 0.4814 | +15.58% | 0.0316 | 0.0392 | +24.05% | |
| | FPMC | 0.0836 | 0.1000 | +19.62% | 0.0543 | 0.0742 | +36.65% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.0986 | 0.1133 | +14.91% | 0.0619 | 0.0752 | +21.49% | |
| | Caser | 0.0918 | 0.1171 | +27.56% | 0.0636 | 0.0815 | +28.14% | |
| | SASRec | 0.1017 | 0.1153 | +13.37% | 0.0666 | 0.0772 | +15.92% | |
| Steam | BERT4Rec | 0.0913 | 0.1084 | +18.73% | 0.0642 | 0.0825 | +28.50% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.1034 | 0.1108 | +7.16% | 0.0643 | 0.0740 | +15.09% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.1233 | 0.1326 | +7.54% | 0.0741 | 0.0875 | +18.08% | |
| | SINE | 0.0952 | 0.1159 | +21.74% | 0.0605 | 0.0769 | +27.11% | |
| | FEARec | 0.1025 | 0.1177 | +14.83% | 0.0669 | 0.0784 | +17.19% | |
| | FPMC | 0.1683 | 0.2117 | +25.79% | 0.0249 | 0.0478 | +91.97% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.1735 | 0.2146 | +23.69% | 0.0205 | 0.0436 | +112.68% | |
| | Caser | 0.1510 | 0.1708 | +13.11% | 0.0123 | 0.0252 | +104.88% | |
| | SASRec | 0.2111 | 0.2525 | +19.61% | 0.0315 | 0.0530 | +68.25% | |
| Beauty | BERT4Rec | 0.1420 | 0.1753 | +23.45% | 0.0129 | 0.0242 | +87.60% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.2012 | 0.2426 | +20.58% | 0.0320 | 0.0559 | +74.69% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.2292 | 0.2676 | +16.75% | 0.0341 | 0.0579 | +69.79% | |
| | SINE | 0.1983 | 0.2410 | +21.53% | 0.0217 | 0.0421 | +94.01% | |
| | FEARec | 0.2304 | 0.2643 | +14.71% | 0.0318 | 0.0542 | +70.44% | |

Table A3: Performance of sequential recommenders with temporal LOO split into active and inactive users in Recall@10. Active users have interactions after the cut-off date used in split-by-timepoint LOO. All other users are inactive.

| | | Popularity-s | sampled + Tempo | oral LOO | Unsampled + Temporal LOO | | | |
|--------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| | Model | Active users (Recall@10) | Inactive users (Recall@10) | Perf. diff (%) | Active users (Recall@10) | Inactive users (Recall@10) | Perf. diff (%) | |
| | FPMC | 0.3153 | 0.5782 | +83.38% | 0.0782 | 0.2117 | +170.72% | |
| ML-1m | GRU4Rec | 0.3791 | 0.7211 | +90.21% | 0.1395 | 0.3252 | +133.12% | |
| | Caser | 0.3213 | 0.6320 | +96.7% | 0.0830 | 0.2112 | +154.46% | |
| | SASRec | 0.4103 | 0.7312 | +78.21% | 0.1360 | 0.3425 | +151.84% | |
| | BERT4Rec | 0.3959 | 0.7195 | +81.74% | 0.1300 | 0.3085 | +137.31% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.4212 | 0.7278 | +72.79% | 0.1215 | 0.3425 | +181.89% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.3875 | 0.7184 | +85.39% | 0.1479 | 0.2934 | +98.38% | |
| | SINE | 0.2599 | 0.5087 | +95.73% | 0.0361 | 0.1090 | +201.94% | |
| | FEARec | 0.3875 | 0.7095 | +83.10% | 0.1119 | 0.2684 | +139.86% | |
| | FPMC | 0.5858 | 0.6694 | +14.27% | 0.0292 | 0.0433 | +48.29% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.6333 | 0.7225 | +14.08% | 0.0355 | 0.0572 | +61.13% | |
| | Caser | 0.6107 | 0.6925 | +13.39% | 0.0257 | 0.0431 | +67.70% | |
| 37-1 | SASRec | 0.6538 | 0.7371 | +12.74% | 0.0546 | 0.0745 | +36.45% | |
| Yelp | BERT4Rec S ³ -Rec | 0.6107 | 0.7003 | +14.67% | 0.0309 | 0.0530 | +71.52% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.6697 | 0.7506 | +12.08% | 0.0534 | 0.0730 | +36.70% | |
| | SINE | 0.6305 | 0.7226 | +14.61% | 0.0433 | 0.0649 | +49.88% | |
| | FEARec | 0.6624 | 0.7472 | +12.80% | 0.0509 | 0.0701 | +37.72% | |
| | FPMC | 0.1756 | 0.1760 | +0.23% | 0.1083 | 0.1151 | +6.28% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.2001 | 0.2122 | +6.05% | 0.1210 | 0.1266 | +4.63% | |
| | Caser | 0.1911 | 0.2270 | +18.80% | 0.1268 | 0.1464 | +15.46% | |
| | SASRec | 0.2029 | 0.2155 | +6.21% | 0.1288 | 0.1316 | +2.17% | |
| Steam | BERT4Rec | 0.1861 | 0.1990 | +6.93% | 0.1247 | 0.1431 | +14.77% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.2066 | 0.2155 | +4.31% | 0.1257 | 0.1332 | +5.976% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.2369 | 0.2434 | +2.74% | 0.1315 | 0.1447 | +10.05% | |
| | SINE | 0.1928 | 0.2253 | +16.86% | 0.1196 | 0.1398 | +16.89% | |
| | FEARec | 0.2063 | 0.2319 | +12.41% | 0.1301 | 0.1480 | +13.76% | |
| | FPMC | 0.2864 | 0.3403 | +18.82% | 0.0461 | 0.0855 | +85.47% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.2984 | 0.3467 | +16.19 % | 0.0404 | 0.0770 | +90.59% | |
| | Caser | 0.2865 | 0.3010 | +5.06% | 0.0249 | 0.0480 | +92.77% | |
| | SASRec | 0.3454 | 0.3941 | +14.10% | 0.0656 | 0.1058 | +61.28% | |
| Beauty | BERT4Rec | 0.2596 | 0.3060 | +17.87% | 0.0259 | 0.0475 | +83.40% | |
| , | S ³ -Rec | 0.3349 | 0.3819 | +14.03% | 0.0603 | 0.0996 | +65.17% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.3754 | 0.4202 | +11.93% | 0.0686 | 0.1091 | +59.04% | |
| | SINE | 0.3522 | 0.3972 | +12.78% | 0.0465 | 0.0904 | +94.41% | |
| | FEARec | 0.3768 | 0.4097 | +8.73% | 0.0658 | 0.1094 | +66.26% | |

Table A4: Performance of sequential recommenders using temporal LOO with subsampled training data (indicated as T-LOO') and split-by-timepoint LOO (indicated as ST-LOO), and the relative differences in nDCG@10. Bold and underline indicate the best and second best performing models for each combination of data splitting strategy, evaluation metric and data set. "-" indicates model could not be run due to data set size.

| | | Pop | ularity-sample | i | Unsampled | | | |
|--------|---------------------|-----------|----------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|--|
| | Model | T-LOO' | ST-LOO | Perf. diff | T-LOO' | ST-LOO | Perf. diff | |
| | | (nDCG@10) | (nDCG@10) | (%) | (nDCG@10) | (nDCG@10) | (%) | |
| | FPMC | 0.3412 | 0.1118 | -67.23% | 0.1078 | 0.0158 | -85.34% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.4528 | 0.1251 | -72.37% | 0.1537 | 0.0138 | -91.02% | |
| | Caser | 0.3885 | 0.1078 | -72.25% | 0.1030 | 0.0081 | -92.14% | |
| | SASRec | 0.4387 | 0.1250 | -71.51% | 0.1418 | 0.0174 | -87.73% | |
| ML-1m | BERT4Rec | 0.4409 | 0.0968 | -78.04% | 0.1411 | 0.0110 | -92.20% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.4714 | 0.1410 | -70.09% | 0.1634 | 0.0231 | -85.86% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.4383 | 0.1100 | -74.90% | 0.1292 | 0.0137 | -89.40% | |
| | SINE | 0.2353 | 0.0782 | -66.77% | 0.0363 | 0.0064 | -82.37% | |
| | FEARec | 0.4447 | 0.1032 | -76.79% | 0.1288 | 0.0106 | -91.77% | |
| | FPMC | 0.3020 | 0.2395 | -20.70% | 0.0089 | 0.0082 | -7.87% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.4033 | 0.3024 | -25.02% | 0.0155 | 0.0101 | -34.84% | |
| | Caser | 0.3697 | 0.2688 | -27.29% | 0.0118 | 0.0091 | -22.88% | |
| | SASRec | 0.4262 | 0.3066 | -28.06% | 0.0189 | 0.0175 | -7.41% | |
| Yelp | BERT4Rec | 0.3823 | 0.2827 | -26.05% | 0.0164 | 0.0094 | -42.68% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| | LightSANs | 0.4358 | 0.3191 | -26.78% | 0.0187 | 0.0164 | -12.3% | |
| | SINE | 0.4219 | 0.3215 | -23.80% | 0.0166 | 0.0155 | -6.63% | |
| | FEARec | 0.3559 | 0.3243 | -8.88% | 0.0128 | 0.0155 | 21.09% | |
| | FPMC | 0.0708 | 0.0745 | 5.23% | 0.0449 | 0.0556 | 23.83% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.0978 | 0.0791 | -19.12% | 0.0603 | 0.0501 | -16.92% | |
| | Caser | 0.0871 | 0.0761 | -12.63% | 0.0587 | 0.0547 | -6.81% | |
| | SASRec | 0.0974 | 0.0789 | -18.99% | 0.0481 | 0.0533 | 10.81% | |
| Steam | BERT4Rec | 0.0854 | 0.0761 | -10.89% | 0.0553 | 0.0540 | -2.35% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.0944 | 0.0777 | -17.69% | 0.0491 | 0.0510 | 3.87% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.1081 | 0.0782 | -27.66% | 0.0676 | 0.0537 | -20.56% | |
| | SINE | 0.1047 | 0.0750 | -28.37% | 0.0537 | 0.0549 | 2.23% | |
| | FEARec | 0.0993 | 0.0793 | -20.14% | 0.0618 | 0.0535 | -13.43% | |
| | FPMC | 0.1673 | 0.0598 | -64.26% | 0.0405 | 0.0063 | -84.44% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.0995 | 0.0910 | -8.54% | 0.0128 | 0.0084 | -34.38% | |
| | Caser | 0.0599 | 0.0714 | 19.20% | 0.0101 | 0.0057 | -43.56% | |
| | SASRec | 0.2323 | 0.1002 | -56.87% | 0.0439 | 0.0102 | -76.77% | |
| Beauty | BERT4Rec | 0.1701 | 0.0775 | -54.44% | 0.0184 | 0.0050 | -72.83% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.2286 | 0.0936 | -59.06% | 0.0450 | 0.0079 | -82.44% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.2474 | 0.1061 | -57.11% | 0.0455 | 0.0092 | -79.78% | |
| | SINE | 0.0690 | 0.0503 | -27.10% | 0.0111 | 0.0022 | -80.18% | |
| | FEARec | 0.1827 | 0.0628 | -65.63% | 0.0357 | 0.0093 | -73.95% | |

Table A5: Performance of sequential recommenders using temporal LOO with subsampled training data (indicated as T-LOO') and split-by-timepoint LOO (indicated as ST-LOO), and the relative differences in Recall@10. Bold and underline indicate the best and second best performing models for each combination of data splitting strategy, evaluation metric and data set. "-" indicates model could not be run due to data set size.

| | | Pop | ularity-sample | d | Unsampled | | | |
|--------|---------------------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|--|
| | Model | T-LOO' | ST-LOO | Perf. diff | T-LOO' | ST-LOO | Perf. diff | |
| | | (Recall@10) | (Recall@10) | (%) | (Recall@10) | (Recall@10) | (%) | |
| | FPMC | 0.5369 | 0.2163 | -59.71% | 0.1927 | 0.0328 | -82.98% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.6639 | 0.2525 | -61.97% | 0.2747 | 0.0320 | -88.35% | |
| | Caser | 0.6147 | 0.2231 | -63.71% | 0.1993 | 0.0177 | -91.12% | |
| | SASRec | 0.6524 | 0.2424 | -62.84% | 0.2644 | 0.0354 | -86.61% | |
| ML-1m | BERT4Rec | 0.6598 | 0.2096 | -68.23% | 0.2583 | 0.0227 | -91.21% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.6811 | 0.2780 | -59.18% | 0.2880 | 0.0469 | -83.72% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.6563 | 0.2197 | -66.52% | 0.2392 | 0.0311 | -87.00% | |
| | SINE | 0.4429 | 0.1667 | -62.36% | 0.0756 | 0.0160 | -78.84% | |
| | FEARec | 0.6602 | 0.2071 | -68.63% | 0.2436 | 0.0278 | -88.59% | |
| | FPMC | 0.5645 | 0.4400 | -22.05% | 0.0183 | 0.0150 | -18.03% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.6496 | 0.5055 | -22.18% | 0.0324 | 0.0201 | -37.96% | |
| | Caser | 0.6183 | 0.4628 | -25.15% | 0.0252 | 0.0172 | -31.75% | |
| | SASRec | 0.6826 | 0.5063 | -25.83% | 0.0394 | 0.0293 | -25.63% | |
| Yelp | BERT4Rec | 0.6312 | 0.4848 | -23.19% | 0.0338 | 0.0192 | -43.20% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| | LightSANs | 0.6921 | 0.5228 | -24.46% | 0.0394 | 0.0290 | -26.40% | |
| | SINE | 0.6836 | 0.5318 | -22.21% | 0.0355 | 0.0283 | -20.28% | |
| | FEARec | 0.6291 | 0.5388 | -14.35% | 0.0260 | 0.0270 | 3.85% | |
| | FPMC | 0.1550 | 0.1466 | -5.42% | 0.0936 | 0.1007 | 7.59% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.1994 | 0.1623 | -18.61% | 0.1173 | 0.0911 | -22.34% | |
| | Caser | 0.1800 | 0.1526 | -15.22% | 0.1197 | 0.0983 | -17.88% | |
| | SASRec | 0.1990 | 0.1603 | -19.45% | 0.1020 | 0.0954 | -6.47% | |
| Steam | BERT4Rec | 0.1805 | 0.1522 | -15.68% | 0.1134 | 0.0951 | -16.14% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.1926 | 0.1555 | -19.26% | 0.1004 | 0.0915 | -8.86% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.2105 | 0.1572 | -25.32% | 0.1264 | 0.0955 | -24.45% | |
| | SINE | 0.2262 | 0.1496 | -33.86% | 0.1085 | 0.0997 | -8.11% | |
| | FEARec | 0.2037 | 0.1601 | -21.40% | 0.1237 | 0.0983 | -20.53% | |
| | FPMC | 0.2824 | 0.1141 | -59.60% | 0.0717 | 0.0139 | -80.61% | |
| | GRU4Rec | 0.2074 | 0.1780 | -14.18% | 0.0269 | 0.0176 | -34.57% | |
| | Caser | 0.1326 | 0.1462 | 10.26% | 0.0203 | 0.0132 | -34.98% | |
| | SASRec | 0.3857 | <u>0.1903</u> | -50.66% | 0.0871 | 0.0238 | -72.68% | |
| Beauty | BERT4Rec | 0.3176 | 0.1485 | -53.24% | 0.0378 | 0.0108 | -71.43% | |
| | S ³ -Rec | 0.3716 | 0.1793 | -51.75% | 0.0901 | 0.0177 | -80.36% | |
| | LightSANs | 0.4026 | 0.1941 | -51.79% | 0.0942 | 0.0223 | -76.33% | |
| | SINE | 0.1384 | 0.1089 | -21.32% | 0.0240 | 0.0043 | -82.08% | |
| | FEARec | 0.3260 | 0.1309 | -59.85% | 0.0684 | 0.0183 | -73.25% | |

Table A6: Performance of general recommenders compared to sequential recommenders with temporal LOO. Bold indicates best-performing model overall for a given evaluation metric. Sequential recommenders consistently outperform general recommenders with temporal LOO (under the influence of data leakage, see Table 5).

| | ML- | ·1m | Yelp | | Ste | am | Beauty | |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Model | Pop. sampled (nDCG@10) | Unsampled (nDCG@10) |
| Pop | 0.0670 | 0.0187 | 0.0434 | 0.0039 | 0.0761 | 0.0245 | 0.0268 | 0.0056 |
| ItemKNN | 0.1851 | 0.0458 | 0.2829 | 0.0180 | 0.0971 | 0.0676 | 0.1890 | 0.0239 |
| BPR | 0.2014 | 0.0384 | 0.3731 | 0.0200 | 0.0885 | 0.0526 | 0.1599 | 0.0227 |
| SLIMElastic | 0.1988 | 0.0529 | - | - | 0.0847 | 0.0549 | 0.0251 | 0.0002 |
| NeuMF | 0.2216 | 0.0341 | 0.3454 | 0.0136 | 0.0820 | 0.0313 | 0.1443 | 0.0136 |
| NGCF | 0.1962 | 0.0390 | 0.3429 | 0.0101 | 0.0808 | 0.0546 | 0.1814 | 0.0083 |
| LightGCN | 0.2055 | 0.0394 | 0.3573 | 0.0255 | 0.0825 | 0.0630 | 0.1978 | 0.0238 |
| NCL | 0.1310 | 0.0327 | 0.3997 | 0.0311 | 0.0776 | 0.0569 | 0.1489 | 0.0204 |
| FPMC | 0.3429 | 0.1065 | 0.3760 | 0.0194 | 0.0848 | 0.0547 | 0.1967 | 0.0356 |
| GRU4Rec | 0.4748 | 0.1624 | 0.4278 | 0.0232 | 0.0988 | 0.0622 | 0.1998 | 0.0313 |
| Caser | 0.3727 | 0.1023 | 0.3962 | 0.0168 | 0.0923 | 0.0640 | 0.1691 | 0.0184 |
| SASRec | 0.4921 | 0.1814 | 0.4515 | 0.0374 | 0.1017 | 0.0669 | 0.2406 | 0.0415 |
| BERT4Rec | 0.4654 | 0.1613 | 0.4081 | 0.0207 | 0.0916 | 0.0646 | 0.1642 | 0.0181 |
| S ³ -Rec | 0.4875 | 0.1807 | - | - | 0.1036 | 0.0645 | 0.2295 | 0.0431 |
| LightSANs | 0.4592 | 0.1457 | 0.4627 | 0.0355 | 0.1232 | 0.0745 | 0.2577 | 0.0452 |
| SINE | 0.2656 | 0.0452 | 0.4313 | 0.0295 | 0.0959 | 0.0608 | 0.2286 | 0.0312 |
| FEARec | 0.4534 | 0.1339 | 0.4528 | 0.0349 | 0.1028 | 0.0672 | 0.2571 | 0.0422 |

Table A7: Performance of general recommenders compared to sequential recommenders with split-by-timepoint LOO in Recall@10. Bold indicates best-performing model overall for a given evaluation metric and cells highlighted in grey represent general recommenders that outperform best-performing sequential recommenders. "-" indicates that a model could not be run due to the size of the data set.

| | ML- | 1m | Yelp | | Stea | am | Beauty | |
|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Model | Pop. sampled (Recall@10) | Unsampled (Recall@10) | Pop. sampled (Recall@10) | Unsampled (Recall@10) | Pop. sampled (Recall@10) | Unsampled (Recall@10) | Pop. sampled (Recall@10) | Unsampled (Recall@10) |
| Pop | 0.1983 | 0.0504 | 0.0524 | 0.0032 | 0.1277 | 0.0869 | 0.0332 | 0.0113 |
| ItemKNN | 0.2059 | 0.0479 | 0.3002 | 0.0168 | 0.1355 | 0.0792 | 0.1661 | 0.0102 |
| BPR | 0.2429 | 0.0555 | 0.4266 | 0.0142 | 0.1392 | 0.0982 | 0.1142 | 0.0146 |
| SLIMElastic | 0.2202 | 0.0597 | - | - | 0.1835 | 0.0439 | 0.1146 | 0.0018 |
| NeuMF | 0.2437 | 0.0471 | 0.4097 | 0.0153 | 0.1354 | 0.0994 | 0.1162 | 0.0110 |
| NGCF | 0.2580 | 0.0244 | 0.4590 | 0.0037 | 0.1279 | 0.0670 | 0.1745 | 0.0079 |
| LightGCN | 0.2664 | 0.0563 | 0.4333 | 0.0231 | 0.1319 | 0.0985 | 0.1800 | 0.0242 |
| NCL | 0.2387 | 0.0437 | 0.4423 | 0.0214 | 0.1443 | 0.0983 | 0.1348 | 0.0217 |
| GRU4Rec | 0.2525 | 0.0320 | 0.5055 | 0.0201 | 0.1623 | 0.0911 | 0.1780 | 0.0176 |
| SASRec | 0.2424 | 0.0354 | 0.5063 | 0.0293 | 0.1603 | 0.0954 | 0.1903 | 0.0238 |
| S ³ -Rec | 0.2780 | 0.0469 | - | - | 0.1555 | 0.0915 | 0.1793 | 0.0177 |
| LightSANs | 0.2197 | 0.0311 | 0.5228 | 0.0290 | 0.1572 | 0.0955 | 0.1941 | 0.0223 |
| SINE | 0.1667 | 0.0160 | 0.5318 | 0.0283 | 0.1496 | 0.0997 | 0.1089 | 0.0043 |
| FEARec | 0.2071 | 0.0278 | 0.5388 | 0.0270 | 0.1601 | 0.0983 | 0.1309 | 0.0183 |

A.2 Figures

We present one additional figure showing how the model rankings for sequential recommenders changes between temporal LOO and split-by-timepoint LOO for each data set using recall@10.

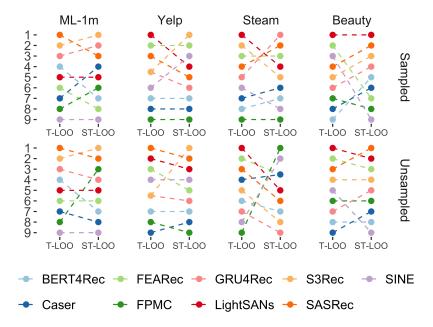


Figure A1: Inconsistent rankings of 9 sequential recommenders obtained with temporal LOO (T-LOO) and split-by-timepoint LOO (ST-LOO) across four datasets. Rankings are obtained based on both popularity-sampled (top) and unsampled (bottom) Recall@10.

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