INTRODUCTION TO DATA SCIENCE

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Recommending system: films

Machine learning: recommending system

Personalizacja



Information overload



Browsing is "history"

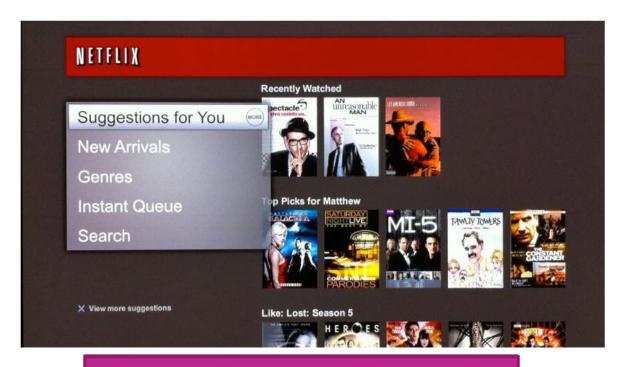
 Need new ways to discover content

Personalization: Connects users & items

viewers

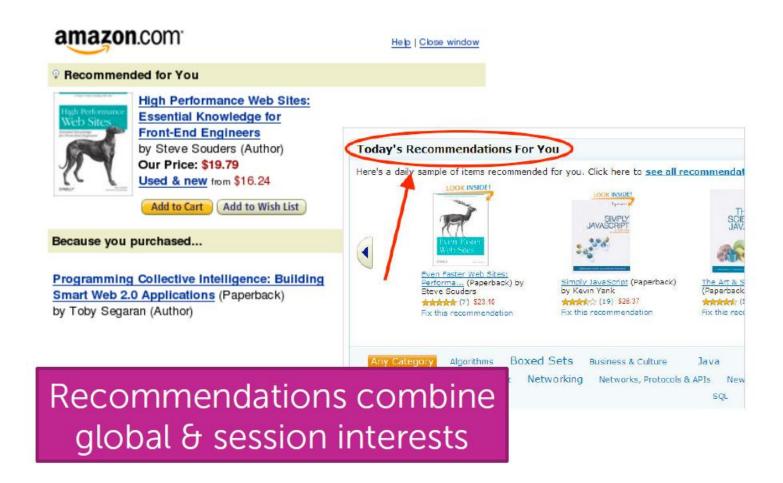
videos

Recomending system:



Connect users with movies they may want to watch

Recomending system:

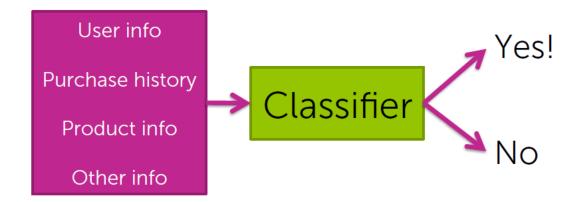


Recommending system: popularity?

- Popularity?
 - Ranking vs number of downloading?
 - No personalisation in this case

Recommending system: classification

- Classification?
 - What is probability that I will buy this product?
 - Personalisation: purhase history, monthly and yearly trends, etc.



Recommending system: correlations

- Analyse correlations. Customers who bought product A also bought product B
 - Correlation matrix



1. Look at *diapers* row of matrix

- 2. Recommend other items with largest counts
 - baby wipes, milk, baby food,...

Recommending system: correlations

- Analyse correlations. Customers who bought product
 A also bought product B
 - Should we normalise correlation matrix?
 - How to quantify that products are "products"?
- Limitation of correlationss:
 - It is not looking at the purhasing history (trends in time)
 - How to add a new customer (no info on correlations)?

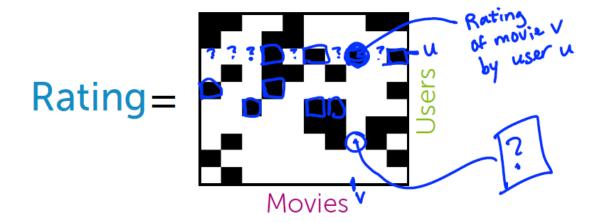
Recommending system: films

Users watch movies and rate them



Each user only watches a few of the available movies

Recommending system: films



Data: Users score some movies

Rating(u,v) known for black cells Rating(u,v) unknown for white cells

• Goal: Filling missing data?





Recommending system: optimisation

- Squeezing last bit of accuracy by blending models
- Netflix Prize 2006-2009
 - 100M ratings
 - 17,770 movies
 - 480,189 users
 - Predict 3 million ratings to highest accuracy



Winning team blended over 100 models

The world of all baby products



User likes subset of items



How many liked items were recommended?

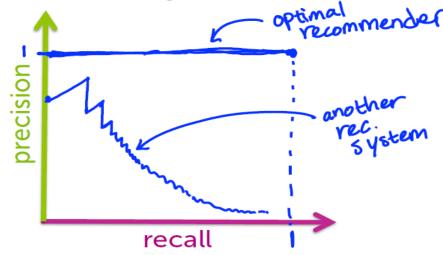


How many recommended items were liked?



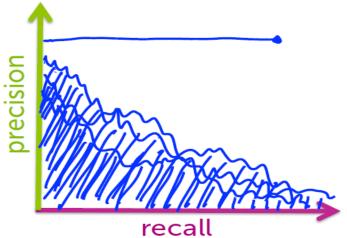
Precision-recall curve

- Input: A specific recommender system
- Output: Algorithm-specific precision-recall curve
- To draw curve, vary threshold on # items recommended
 - For each setting, calculate the precision and recall



Which Algorithm is Best?

- For a given precision, want recall as large as possible (or vice versa)
- One metric: largest area under the curve (AUC)
- Another: set desired recall and maximize precision (precision at k)



Recommending system

Models

- Collaborative filtering
- Matrix factorization
- PCA

Algorithms

- Coordinate descent
- Eigen decomposition
- SVD

Concepts

 Matrix completion, eigenvalues, random projections, cold-start problem, diversity, scaling up