Multiverse Recommendation:

N-dimensional Tensor Factorization for Context-aware Collaborative Filtering

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Context-aware Recommendation

• Time matters!



Collaborative Filtering with Temporal Dynamics

Early models of Context-aware Recommendation



https://medium.com/@andresespinosapc/the-basics-of-context -aware-recommendations-5dd7a939049b

• timeSVD++

$$b_{ui}(t) = \mu + b_u + \alpha_u \cdot \operatorname{dev}_u(t) + b_{u,t} + b_i + b_{i,\operatorname{Bin}(t)}$$

• RTF



Approach

• Generalize matrix factorization to model multiple variables.





CuMF_SGD: Fast and Scalable Matrix Factorization

• Minimize loss(R-PQ).

Tensor Factorization



$$F_{ijk} = S \times_U U_{i*} \times_M M_{j*} \times_C C_{k*}$$

• Minimize loss(Y-F).

Tensor Factorization for Collaborative Filtering

- HOSVD requires dense matrix.
- Unrated initialized to zero tends to learn near-zero values (bias).
- Do not use unrated cell in training.

• Loss function

$$L(F,Y) := \frac{1}{\|S\|_1} \sum_{i,j,k} D_{ijk} l(F_{ijk}, Y_{ijk})$$

• With Regularization: Prevent overfitting and set boundary.

$$R[U, M, C, S] := L(F, Y) + \Omega[U, M, C] + \Omega[S]$$

Algorithm 1 Tensor Factorization

Input Y, d Initialize $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d_U}$, $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times d_M}$, $C \in \mathbb{R}^{c \times d_C}$ and $S \in \mathbb{R}^{d_U \times d_M \times d_C}$ with small random values. Set $t = t_0$ while (i, j, k) in observations Y do $\eta \leftarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$ and $t \leftarrow t + 1$ $F_{ijk} = S \times_U U_{i*} \times_M M_{j*} \times_C C_{k*}$ $U_{i*} \leftarrow U_{i*} - \eta \lambda_U U_{i*} - \eta \partial_{U_{i*}} l(F_{ijk}, Y_{ijk})$ $M_{j*} \leftarrow M_{j*} - \eta \lambda_M M_{j*} - \eta \partial_{M_{j*}} l(F_{ijk}, Y_{ijk})$ $C_{k*} \leftarrow C_{k*} - \eta \lambda_C C_{k*} - \eta \partial_{C_{k*}} l(F_{ijk}, Y_{ijk})$ $S \leftarrow S - \eta \lambda_S S - \eta \partial_S l(F_{ijk}, Y_{ijk})$ end while Output U, M, C, S

Performance - Data and Metric

• Yahoo! Webscope

- \circ Increase rating if c=1 and decrease if c=0.
- Movie Survey
- Food Survey

• MAE



Figure 2: Comparison of matrix (no context) and tensor (context) factorization on the Adom and Food data.



Figure 3: Comparison of context-aware methods on artificial data

Comparison with pre-filtering



Figure 4: Evolution of MAE values for different methods with increasing influence of the context variable

Conclusion

- Integrated generic Tensor Factorization approach to CF.
- Higher recommendation accuracy.