

Graphical Models, Inference and Learning

Lecture 9

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Recommender Systems

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Motivation

The screenshot shows a Gmail interface on a desktop browser. The email is from Amazon.fr and contains a list of kitchen products recommended for Christmas. The products are:

- KIT de 13pcs Jouet de Cuisine...*** et plus
 Amazon.fr <store-news@amazon.fr> Unsubscribe
 15:11 (20 minutes ago)
 French → English Translate message
 Turn off for French
- amazon.fr** Amazon Prime Promotions Toutes nos boutiques
- Yulya Tarabalka, Amazon.fr a de nouvelles recommandations pour vous basées sur votre historique de navigation.
- KIT de 13pcs Jouet de Cuisine Cuisine/A/Alés Cesserse Pot**
 Cuisine...
 de 5102_FR
 Prix : **EUR 6,03**
 Guidés et vendus par SMX.
 Matériel de simulation en plastique, ne rime pas les mêmes enfants Un Set cuisine complète en plastique entièrement de... [En savoir plus](#)
 En savoir Plus Ajouter à votre liste d'envies
- Écuffer 626 Imitations Vaseleur Coloris aléatoire**
 de Écuffer
 Prix conseillé : **EUR 9,99**
 Prix : **EUR 9,79**
 Écuffer est une marque du groupe Smoby. Écuffer est le spécialiste dans le groupe Smoby l'équipe des jouets de grande... [En savoir plus](#)
 En savoir Plus Ajouter à votre liste d'envies
- Écuffer - 990 - Jeu d'imitation - Plateau Pâtisserie**
 de Écuffer
 Prix conseillé : **EUR 9,99**
 Prix : **EUR 6,16**
 Économisez : **EUR 2,83 (31%)**
 Un plateau garni de 12 pâtisseries raffinées : chou à la crème, tartines, biscuits au chocolat et macarons. Livrées sur... [En savoir plus](#)
 En savoir Plus Ajouter à votre liste d'envies
- Écuffer - 996 - Jeu d'imitation - Cuisine - Égouttoir Directe...**
 de Écuffer
 Prix conseillé : **EUR 7,99**
 Prix : **EUR 7,96**
 Descriptif produit: Un égouttoir garni avec 4 assiettes, 4 verres, 4 fourchettes et couteaux, 3 cesserse, 1 spatule et 1... [En savoir plus](#)

Motivation

En lien avec des articles que vous avez regardés [voir plus](#)



A découvrir [voir plus](#)



Amazon utilise des cookies. [En savoir plus.](#)



★★★★☆ 21

"Aspirateur nettoyeur efficace. Super outil. Plus besoin d'aspirer pour nettoyer."

[Commentaires sur la publicité](#)

Livraison gratuite dès 25€
d'achats éligibles*
*selon les conditions [En savoir plus >](#)



Personalized content

The screenshot displays the Amazon.fr homepage with a personalized layout for user Yuliyia. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the Amazon logo and various account options. The main banner features a child with the text "Bientôt Noël Découvrez toutes nos idées cadeaux". Below this, there are sections for "En lien avec des articles que vous avez regardés" (showing various play mats) and "A découvrir" (showing children's toys like Fanta Color and Colorino). A sidebar on the right includes a cookie notice, a product recommendation for an Aspirateur nettoyeur efficace, and a "Boutique de Noël" section.

Adapt to general popularity pick based on user preferences

A more formal view

- User (requests content)
- Objects (that can be displayed)
- Context (device, location, time)
- Interface (mobile browser, tablet, viewport)



Objective: recommend relevant objects

Challenges

- Scalability
 - Millions of objects
 - 100s of millions of users
- Cold start
 - Changing use base
 - Changing inventory (movies, stories, goods)
- Imbalanced dataset

Example: Predicting movie ratings

User rates movies using zero to five stars

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Nonstop car chases				
Swords vs. karate				

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Goal: replace ? by ratings

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Content-based recommender systems

How to predict ? ?

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$$x^{(3)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.99 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftrightarrow \theta^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\theta^{(1)})^T x^{(3)} = 5 \times 0.99 = 4.95$$

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$y^{(i,j)}$ = rating given by user j to movie i (defined only if $r(i, j) = 1$)

$\theta^{(j)}$ = parameter vector for user j

$x^{(i)}$ = feature vector for movie i

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$m^{(j)}$ = number of movies rated by user j

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Optimization objective

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Gradient descent update:

For $k = 0$:

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One can also use more advanced optimization algorithm to optimize this objective function

- Ex: stochastic gradient descent

Optimization algorithm

Where to get / How to estimate features $x^{(i)}$?

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Collaborative filtering - Problem motivation

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- In most cases, we want much more than 2 features for each movie

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 - Ex: $(\theta^{(1)})^T x^{(1)} \approx 5, \dots \Rightarrow x^{(1)} = [1 \quad 1.0 \quad 0.0]^T$

Optimization algorithm

Given $\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \dots, \theta^{(n_u)}$, to learn $x^{(i)}$:

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Collaborative filtering optimization objective

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Minimizing $x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n_m)}$ and $\theta^{(1)}, \dots, \theta^{(n_u)}$ simultaneously:

$$J(x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n_m)}, \theta^{(1)}, \dots, \theta^{(n_u)}) =$$

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Collaborative filtering algorithm

1. Initialize $x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n_m)}, \theta^{(1)}, \dots, \theta^{(n_u)}$ to small random values.
2. Minimize $J(x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n_m)}, \theta^{(1)}, \dots, \theta^{(n_u)})$ using gradient descent (or an advanced optimization algorithm). E.g. for every $j = 1, \dots, n_u, i = 1, \dots, n_m$:

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3. For a user with parameters θ and a movie with (learned) features x , predict a star rating of $\theta^T x$.

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	B	4.0		3.5	
	C		5.0		2.0
	D		3.5	4.0	1.0

Rating Matrix

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A	1.2	0.8
B	1.4	0.9
C	1.5	1.0
D	1.2	0.8

User Matrix

$$\times$$

		W	X	Y	Z
A	1.5	1.2	1.0	0.8	
B	1.7	0.6	1.1	0.4	

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Users who have not rated any movies

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$n=2$
 $\underline{\theta}^{(5)} \in \mathbb{R}^2$
 $\underline{\theta}^{(5)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 $(\underline{\theta}^{(5)})^T \underline{x}^{(i)} = 0$
 $\frac{\lambda}{2} [(\theta_1^{(5)})^2 + (\theta_2^{(5)})^2]$

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$$\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 2.5 \\ 2.5 \\ 2 \\ 2.25 \\ 1.25 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow Y = \begin{bmatrix} 2.5 & 2.5 & -2.5 & -2.5 & ? \\ 2.5 & ? & ? & -2.5 & ? \\ ? & 2 & -2 & ? & ? \\ -2.25 & -2.25 & 2.75 & 1.75 & ? \\ -1.25 & -1.25 & 3.75 & -1.25 & ? \end{bmatrix}$$

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For user j , on movie i predict:

$$\rightarrow (\theta^{(j)})^T (x^{(i)}) + \mu_i$$

learn $\theta^{(j)}$, $x^{(i)}$

User 5 (Eve):

$$\theta^{(5)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underbrace{(\theta^{(5)})^T (x^{(i)})}_{\rightarrow 0} + \mu_i$$