



Probabilistic Matrix Factorization for Music Recommendation

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Introduction

- Applied Probabilistic Matrix Factorization(PMF)[1] and variations of PMF to the task of music recommendation;
- Developed Constrained Kernelized Probabilistic Matrix Factorization (cKPMF) which we show to be superior to all other models discussed in this project for our task at hand.
- Motivation: learn and experiment with a simple but effective framework for making recommender systems, that can deal with sparse and imbalanced rating data.
- Input: log(listening count), user network, artist tag assignment.
- Output: missing ratings (listening count)

Data

hetrec2011-lastfm-2k [2], a set of social networking, tagging, and music artist listening information from last.fm.

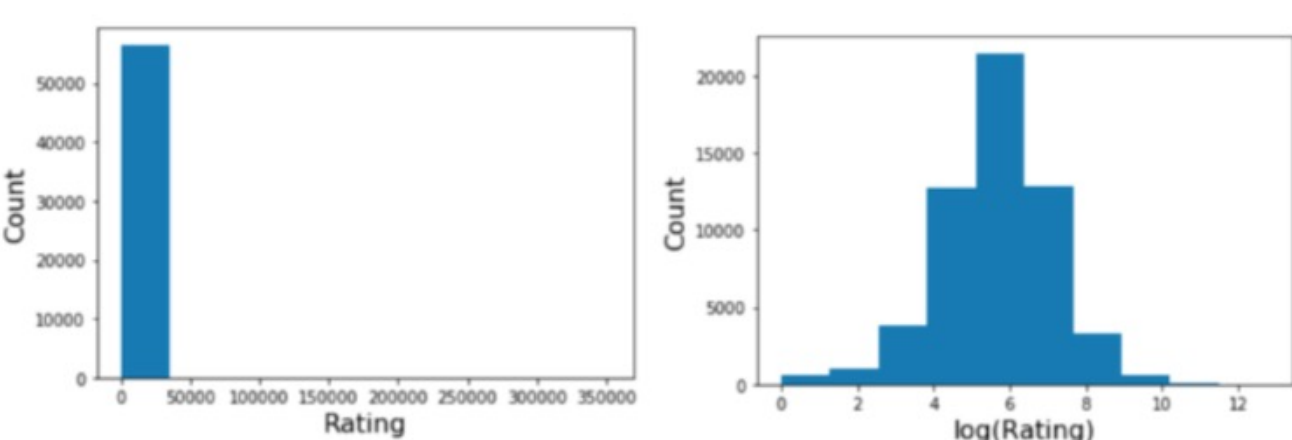
User- artist listening count

	Coldplay	Moby	Gorillaz
user ₁	13883	8983	100
user ₂	543	8908	?
user ₃	?	?	?

Artist Side information

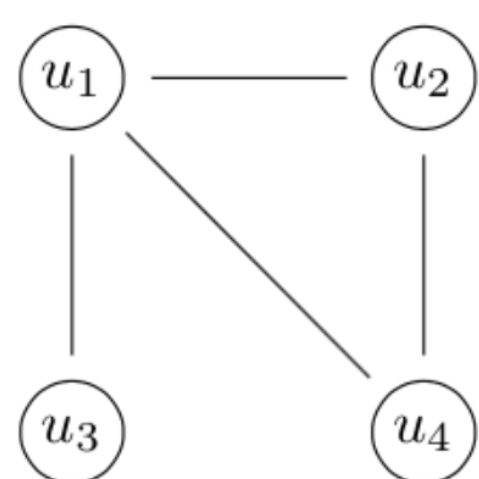
	ballad	pissbass	chillout
Coldplay	1	1	0
Moby	0	1	1
Gorillaz	0	0	0

log(listening count) as Pseudo-Ratings



(a) Rating distribution (b) Log-rating distribution

User Side information

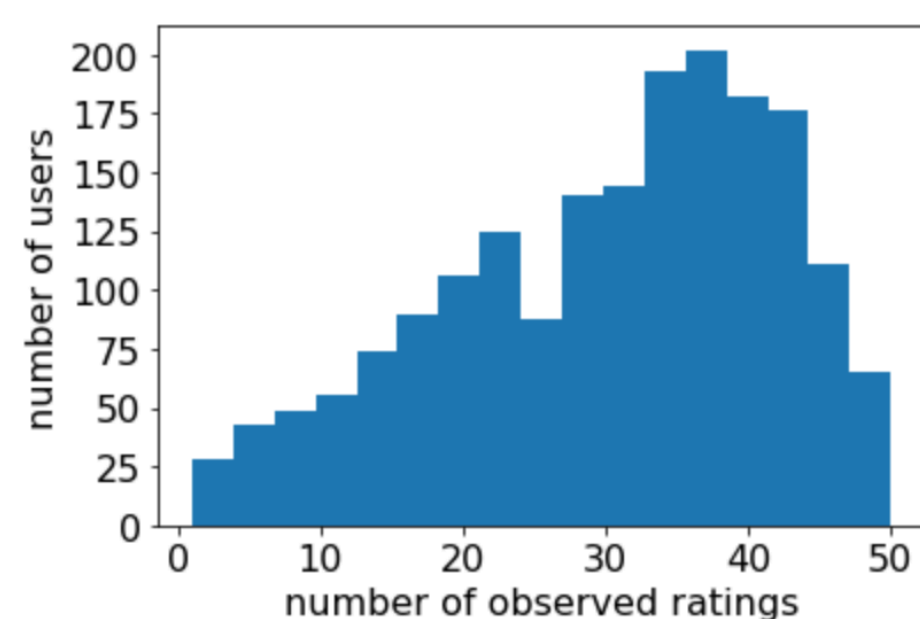


Commute Time kernel = Laplacian Matrix[†]

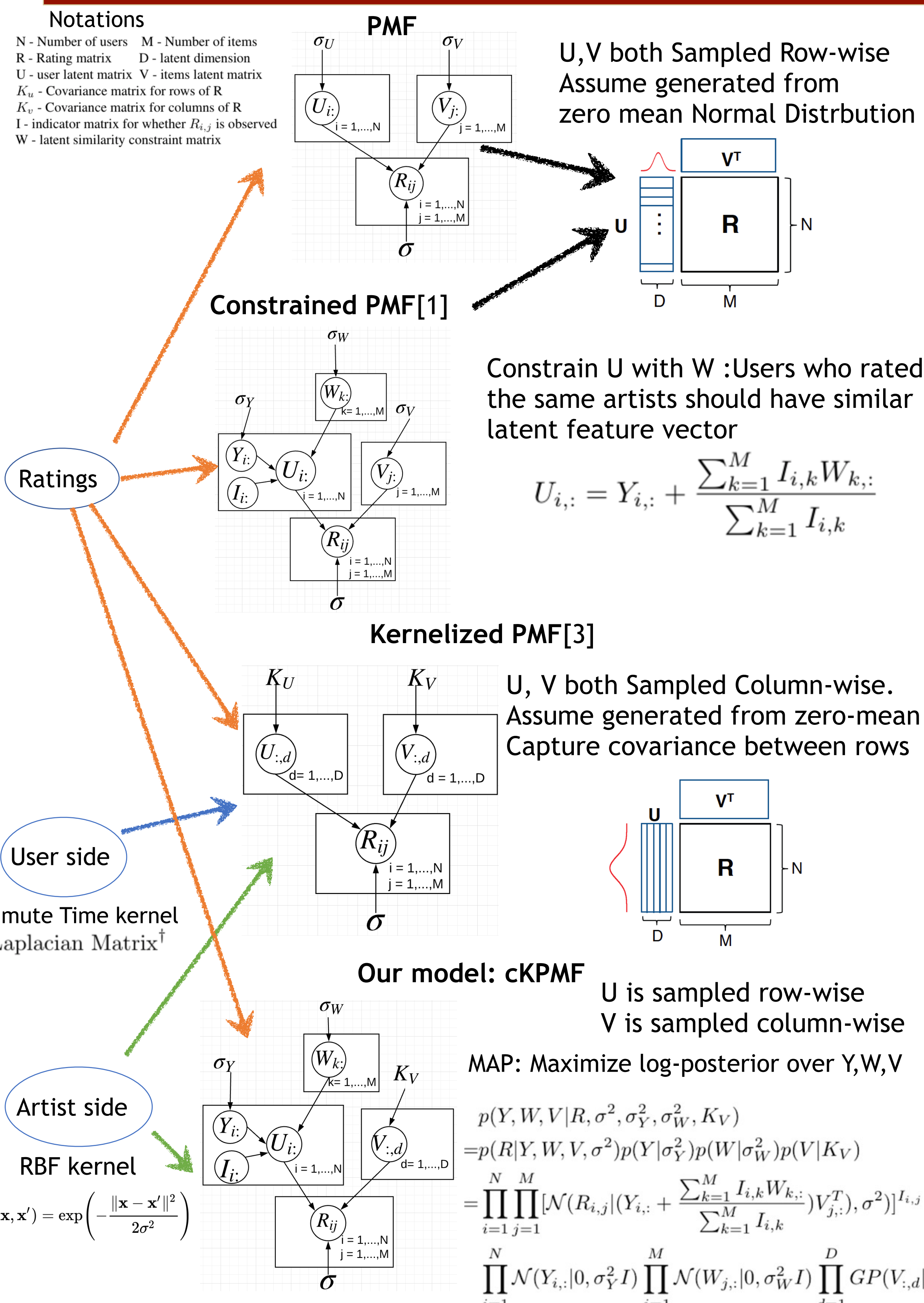
sparsity

Imbalance

ITEM	STATS
# USERS	1871
# ITEMS	1000
# RATINGS	56620
RATING DENSITY	3.03%
# RELATIONS	25424
# TAGS	87366



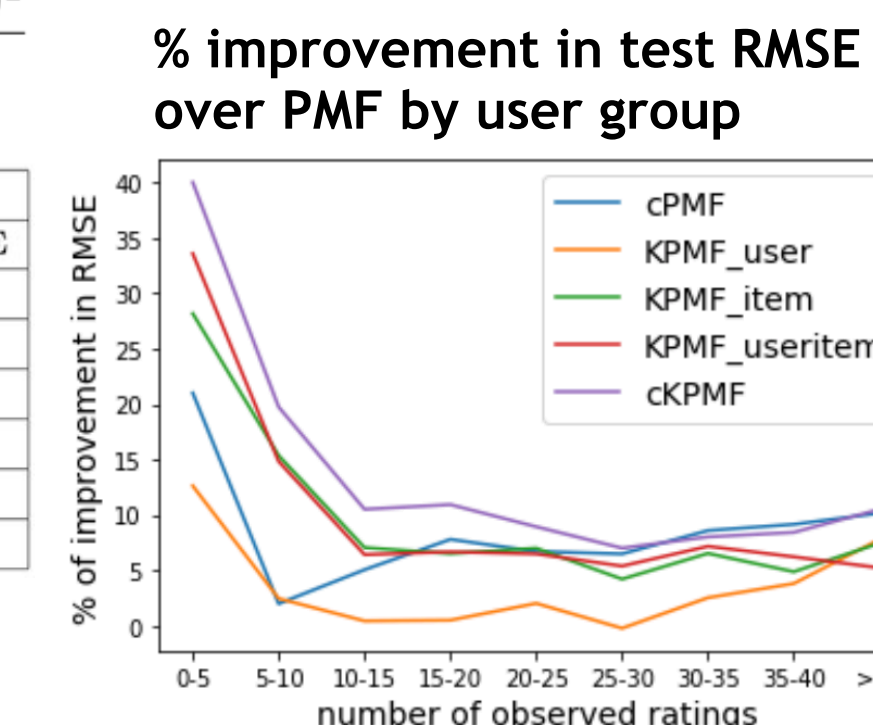
Models



Experiments/Results

- 10% as validation ; 10% as test; (5662 ratings)
- Training set 1: 80% of ratings (45296 ratings)
- Training set 2: 20% of ratings (11324 ratings)
- Training using Stochastic Gradient Descent
- Grid search for hyperparameters (latent dimension, learning rate, regulation coefficient) using validation set.
- Evaluation: $RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (r_i - \hat{r}_i)^2}{n}}$

Model	80% ratings		20% ratings	
	train RMSE	test RMSE	train RMSE	test RMSE
PMF	0.827	1.139	0.600	2.808
cPMF	0.895	1.056	0.800	1.662
KPMF.user	0.815	1.119	0.598	2.444
KPMF.item	0.794	1.070	0.598	1.361
KPMF.useritem	0.787	1.064	0.598	1.273
cKPMF	0.778	1.039	0.621	1.224



- Having more training data is more important than picking the best model. The best model performance with 20% ratings (1.224) is still worse than the worst model performance with 80% ratings (1.139).
- Kernelized models able to use side information to make predictions when ratings are sparse. Though both useful, user side information is not as effective as item side information.
- Difference in model performance is much more obvious when data is sparse. (with 20% ratings)
- All PMF variations made more improvement over the baseline PMF model for users with 0-5 ratings.
- Our cKPMF model exceed the performance of all others. Advantage is more obvious for infrequent users.

Future work

- Explore the effect of adding user and artist bias into all these models.
- Investigate the computational efficiency and convergence behaviour of these models in different settings.
- Explore Bayesian Probabilistic Matrix Factorization

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