

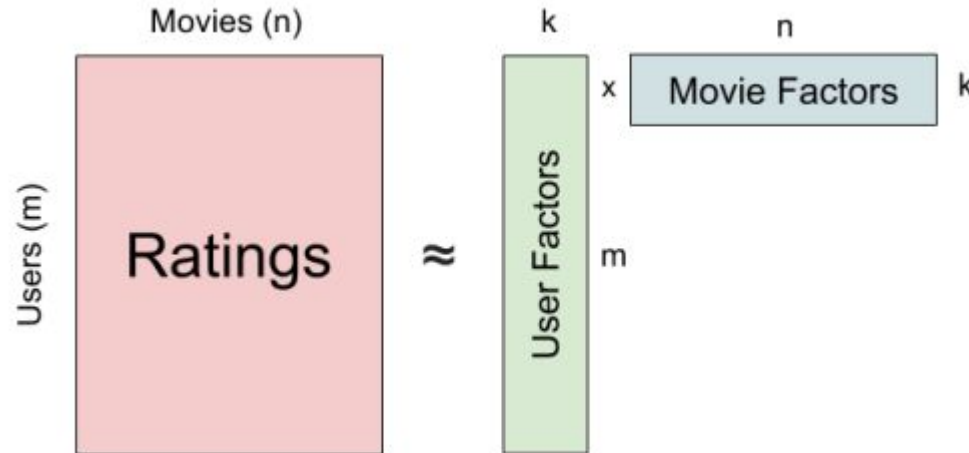
# Implementation of ALS Algorithm in Phylanx

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# Alternating Least Squares ALgorithm

- Recommender system



# Alternating Least Squares Algorithm

$$\min_{x_*, y_*} \sum_{r_{u,i} \text{ is known}} (r_{ui} - x_u^T y_i)^2 + \lambda(\|x_u\|^2 + \|y_i\|^2)$$

$$y_i = (X^T X + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T r_i$$

$$x_u = (Y^T Y + \lambda I)^{-1} Y^T r_u$$

- Start with random X, Y
- Find X that minimizes the loss function
- Find Y that minimizes the loss function
- Repeat until desired convergence

# Required Primitives

- read\_csv
- shape
- diag
- identity
- random
- dot
- trans
- row\_slice
- column\_slice
- set\_row
- not\_equal

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import numpy as np
def ALS(ratings, regularization, num_factors, iterations, alpha=40):
    num_users = np.shape(ratings)[0]
    num_items = np.shape(ratings)[1]
    conf = alpha * ratings
    np.random.seed(0)
    X = np.random.rand(num_users, num_factors)
    Y = np.random.rand(num_items, num_factors)
    I_f = np.identity(num_factors)
    I_i = np.identity(num_items)
    I_u = np.identity(num_users)
    for k in range(iterations):
        YtY = np.dot(Y.T, Y)
        XtX = np.dot(X.T, X)
        for u in range(num_users):
            conf_u = conf[u, :]
            c_u = np.diag(conf_u)
            p_u = conf_u.copy()
            p_u[p_u != 0] = 1
            A = YtY + np.dot(np.dot(Y.T, c_u), Y) + regularization * I_f
            b = np.dot(np.dot(Y.T, c_u + I_i), p_u.T)
            X[u, :] = np.dot(np.linalg.inv(A), b)
        for i in range(num_items):
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    return X, Y
  
```

# PhySL vs Python code

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define(als, ratings, regularization, num_factors, iterations, alpha,
enable_output,
block(
  define(num_users, shape(ratings, 0)),
  define(num_items, shape(ratings, 1)),
  define(conf, alpha * ratings),
  set_seed(0),
  define(X, random(make_list(num_users, num_factors))),
  define(Y, random(make_list(num_items, num_factors))),
  while(k < iterations,
    block(
      store(YtY, dot(transpose(Y), Y) + regularization*I_f),
      store(XtX, dot(transpose(X), X) + regularization*I_f),

      while(u < num_users,
        block(
          store(conf_u, slice_row(conf, u)),
          store(c_u, diag(conf_u)),
          store(p_u, __ne(conf_u, 0.0, true)),
          store(A, dot(dot(transpose(Y), c_u), Y) + YtY),
          store(b, dot(dot(transpose(Y), (c_u + I_i)), transpose(p_u))),
          set_row(X, u, u+1, 1, dot(inverse(A), b)),
          store(u, u+1)
        )),
      store(u, 0),
      while(i < num_items,
        block(
          store(conf_i, slice_column(conf, i)),
          store(c_i, diag(conf_i)),
          store(p_i, __ne(conf_i, 0.0, true)),
          store(A, dot(dot(transpose(X), c_i), X) + XtX),
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  make_list(X, Y)
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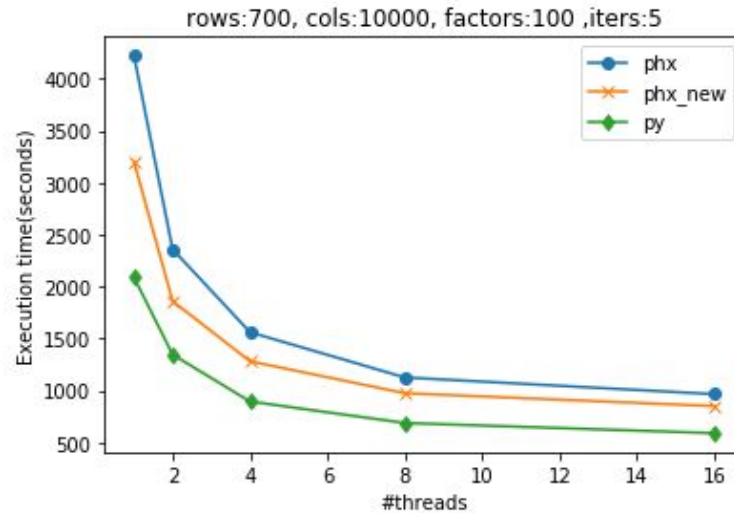
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# Performance

Dataset:

- MovieLens dataset with 20,000,263 ratings and 465,564 tag applications across 27,278 movies



# Future Improvements

- Using solvers
- Adding parallelization
- Using sparse representation
- Using conjugate gradient method

**Thank you!**



# Implicit ALS

- $P$  is a binary matrix
- $C$  is the confidence matrix, usually  $c_{ui} = 1 + \alpha r_{ui}$

$$\min_{x_*, y_*} \sum_{u, i} c_{ui} (p_{ui} - x_u^T y_i)^2 + \lambda \left( \sum_u \|x_u\|^2 + \sum_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)$$

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