

NETFLIX Movie Recommendations

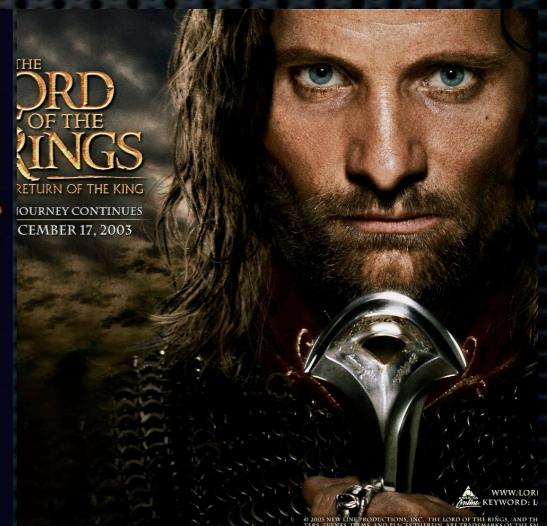
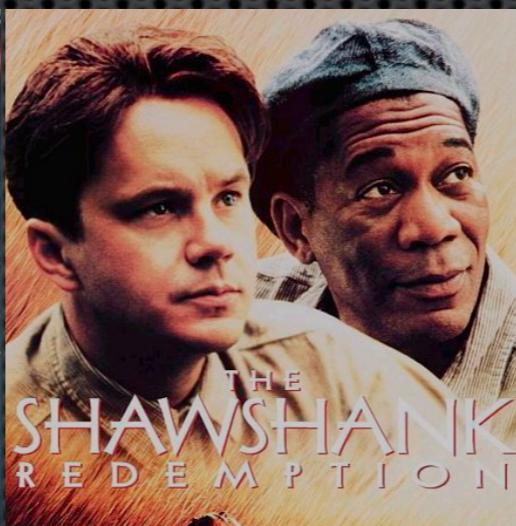
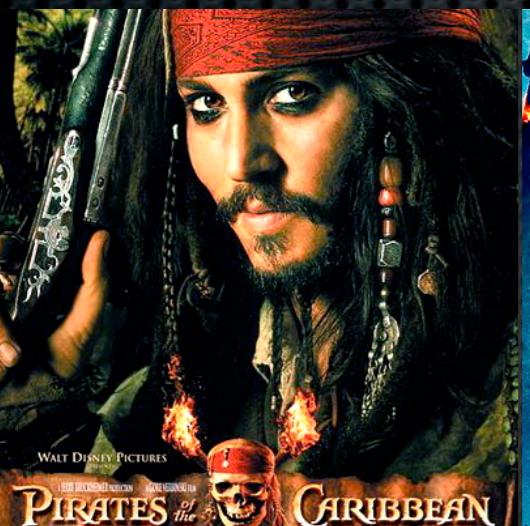
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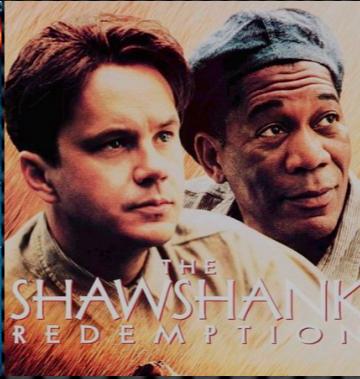
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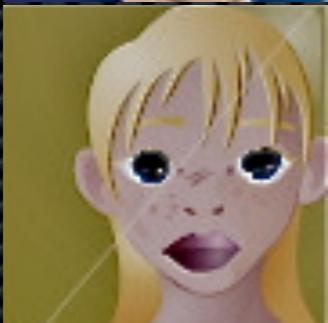
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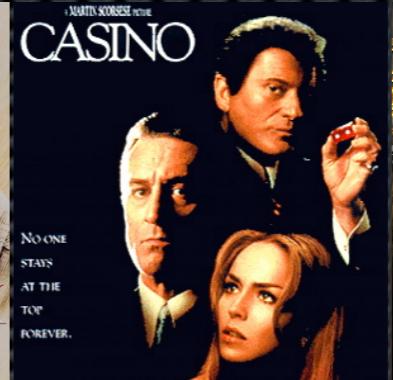
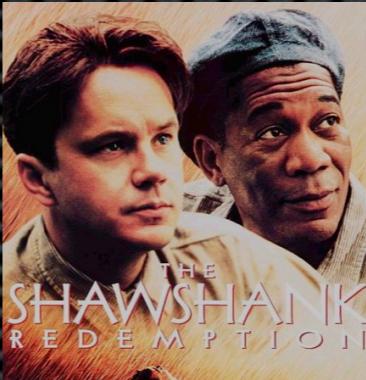
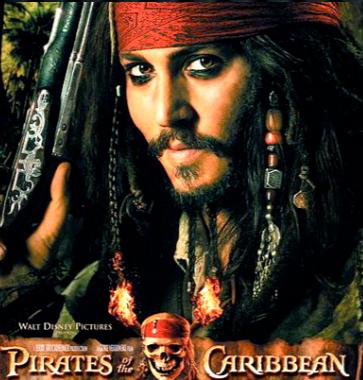
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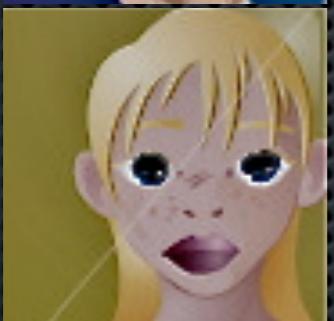
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- Content vs Collaborative approach

NETFLIX dataset

- Rent movies via postal service
 - recently also online
- 18000 movies
- .5 million users
- Training: 100 million ratings
- Testing : 1 million ratings
 - measure performance : RMSE

37918 teams / 180 countries

The screenshot shows the Netflix Prize Leaderboard page. At the top, there's a yellow header bar with the title "Netflix Prize". Below it is a navigation menu with links: Home, Rules, Leaderboard, Register, Update, Submit, and Download. The main section is titled "Leaderboard" in large blue letters. To the right of the title is a button labeled "Display top 40 leaders.". The table below has columns for Rank, Team Name, Best Score, % Improvement, and Last Submit Time. The first row indicates "No Grand Prize candidates yet". The second row is highlighted in red and labeled "Grand Prize - RMSE <= 0.8563". The third row is highlighted in blue and labeled "Progress Prize 2008 - RMSE = 0.8616 - Winning Team: BellKor in BigChaos". The remaining rows list 17 teams from rank 5 to 20.

Rank	Team Name	Best Score	% Improvement	Last Submit Time
--	No Grand Prize candidates yet	--	--	--
Grand Prize - RMSE <= 0.8563				
1	PragmaticTheory	0.8597	9.64	2009-03-14 02:00:01
2	BellKor in BigChaos	0.8598	9.63	2009-01-05 22:05:26
3	Dace	0.8606	9.54	2009-03-11 00:12:12
4	Grand Prize Team	0.8609	9.51	2009-03-12 17:56:36
Progress Prize 2008 - RMSE = 0.8616 - Winning Team: BellKor in BigChaos				
5	BigChaos	0.8624	9.35	2009-02-07 13:06:32
6	BellKor	0.8628	9.31	2008-12-31 11:50:49
7	Gravity	0.8651	9.07	2009-01-23 06:58:01
8	Ces	0.8654	9.04	2009-03-09 03:03:22
9	Opera Solutions	0.8654	9.04	2009-03-13 08:00:07
10	NewNetflixTeam	0.8657	9.01	2009-03-12 05:53:42
11	J Dennis Su	0.8658	9.00	2009-03-11 09:41:54
12	BruceDengDaoCiYiYou	0.8660	8.98	2009-03-11 01:24:48
13	acmehill	0.8661	8.97	2009-03-11 10:39:16
14	Feeds2	0.8665	8.92	2009-03-10 17:34:20
15	pengpengzhou	0.8666	8.91	2009-03-11 00:49:53
16	My Brain and His Chain	0.8668	8.89	2008-09-30 02:19:47
17	Just a guy in a garage	0.8669	8.88	2009-02-17 18:10:59
18	scientist	0.8670	8.87	2009-03-11 23:45:07
19	When Gravity and Dinosaurs Unite	0.8675	8.82	2008-10-05 14:16:53
20	IDEA2	0.8675	8.82	2009-03-13 10:15:13

Collaborative Filtering

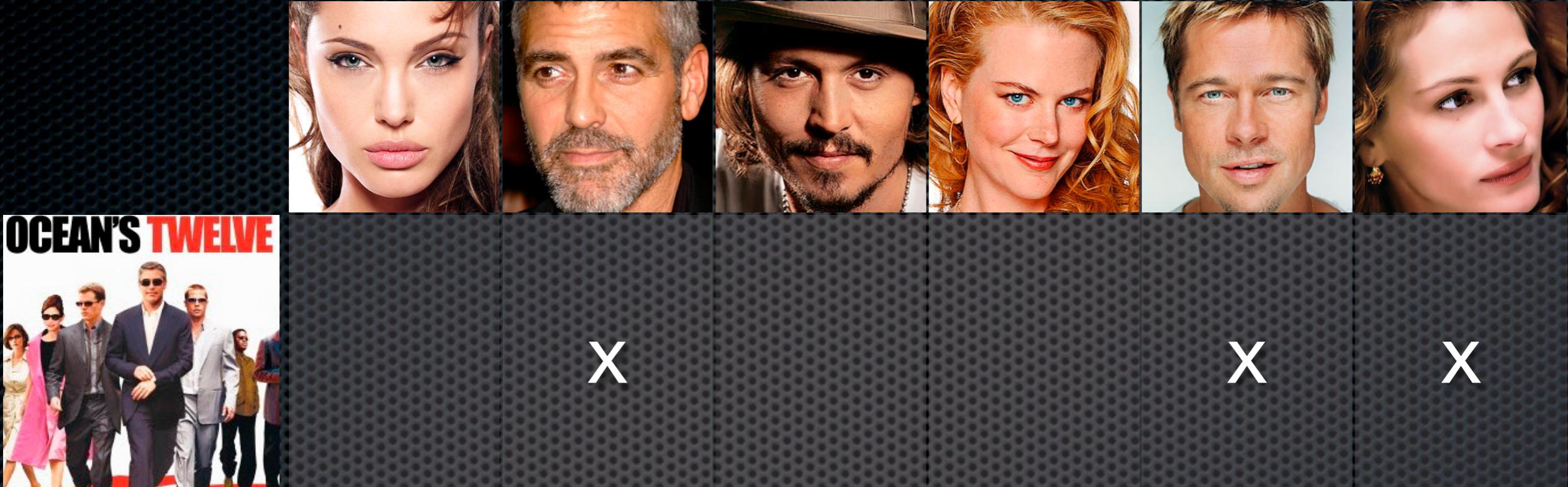
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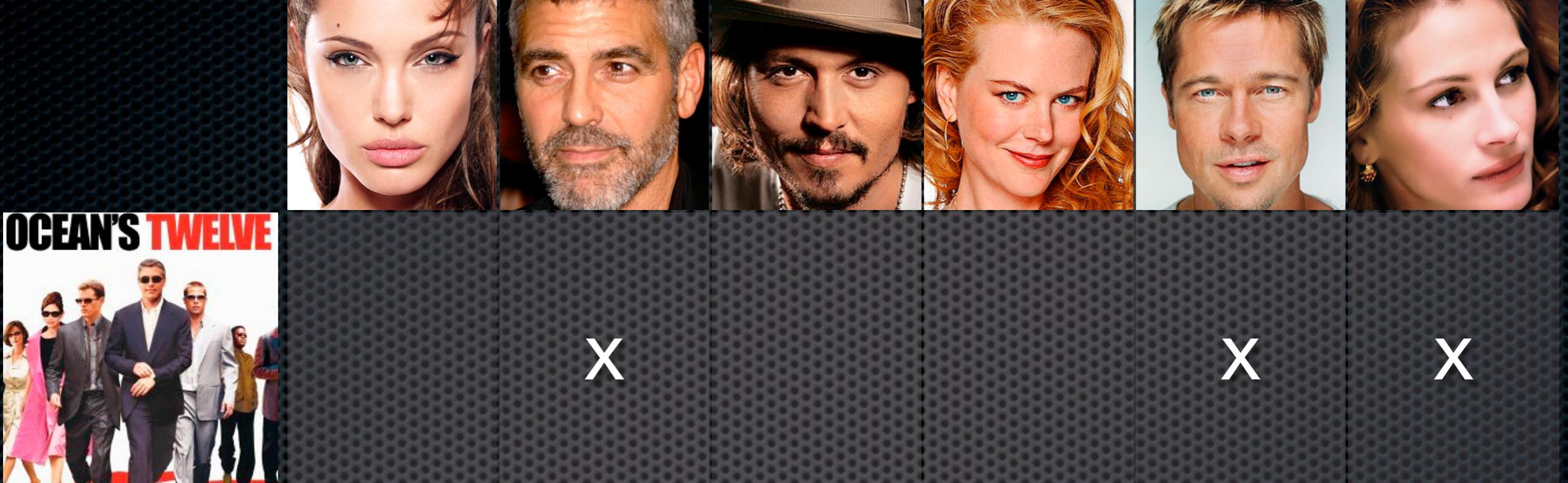
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 - k-Nearest Neighbor/k-Means + regression
 - Model effects due to user/movie/time etc
 - Star Wars may not be as likeable now as 30 years ago
 - Matrix factorization

Content-based training



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- Identify movies by content features
 - Actors, genre, director, writer etc
 - 6000 features to cover 90% of NETFLIX dataset
 - We use content data from IMDB
- Learn a profile for each user

User profile



User profile



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movie
r=4



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User profile



movie
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movie
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User profile



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User profile



 movie r=4	4	4			4	4
 movie r=1	1				1	1
 movie r=5			5	5	5	
 profile	2.5	4	5	3	3.3	4

Content + Collaborative

- Fix a movie m
- Build a training set with content+collab features

	date	profile					collaborative				rating
training	u_1	.28	1.2	4.3	-	3.8 ...	5	2	1 ...	3	
	u_2	.35	2.5	2.1	1.5	4.1 ...	4	3	4 ...	4	
	u_3	.78	1.4	1.2	-	3.2 ...	-	-	1 ...	1	
	u_4	.32	-	-	1.7	2.8 ...	3	1	- ...	5	
	u_5	.34	2.1	4.0	2.3	2.0 ...	-	2	1 ...	1	
	u_6	.31	2.8	3.5	2.6	3.4 ...	2	-	1 ...	2	
	u_7	.38	-	4.2	2.9	2.8 ...	4	3	- ...	?	
	u_8	.29	2.4	4.5	-	2.0 ...	-	2	2 ...	?	
	u_9	.30	1.9	3.8	3.1	3.4 ...	-	4	3 ...	?	

- Run decision tree + regression

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		c ₁	c ₂	c ₃	c ₄	...	m ₁	m ₂	m ₃	...		
training	u ₁	.28	1.2	4.3	-	3.8	...	5	2	1	...	3
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	u ₇	.38	-	4.2	2.9	2.8	...	4	3	-	...	?
	u ₈	.29	2.4	4.5	-	2.0	...	-	2	2	...	?
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testing	u ₁₀	.36	2.7	3.9	2.5	3.5	...	3	4	2	...
	u ₁₁	.37	2.9	4.1	2.7	3.6	...	4	3	3	...
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[Preliminary] results

- About 600 movies, chosen randomly
 - Train on 90% of data
 - Test on 10% of data
- Overall RMSE=.62
 - very encouraging
- Problems with movies with few ratings

Thank You
