

# Wireless Network Recommendation System in Heterogeneous Networks

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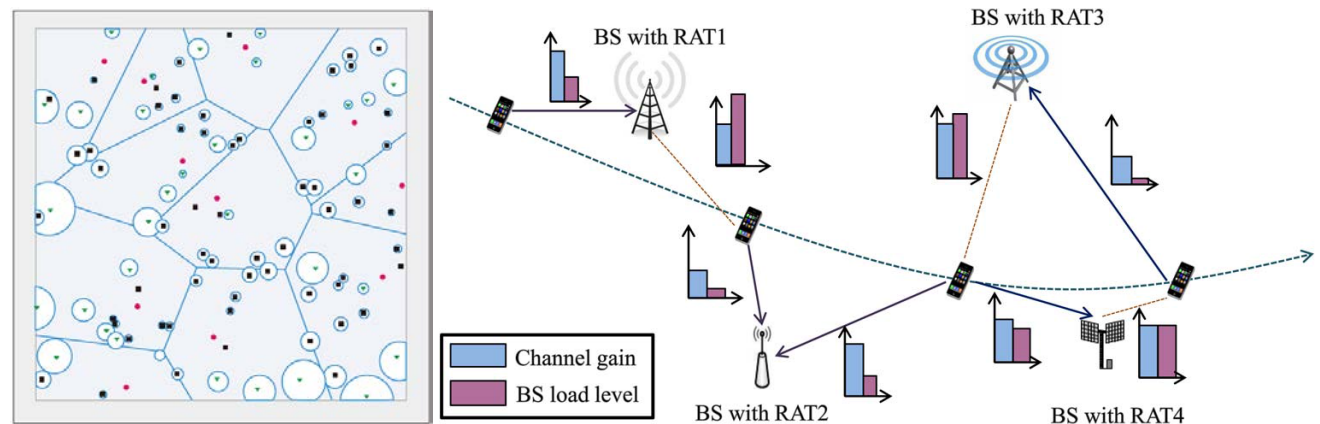
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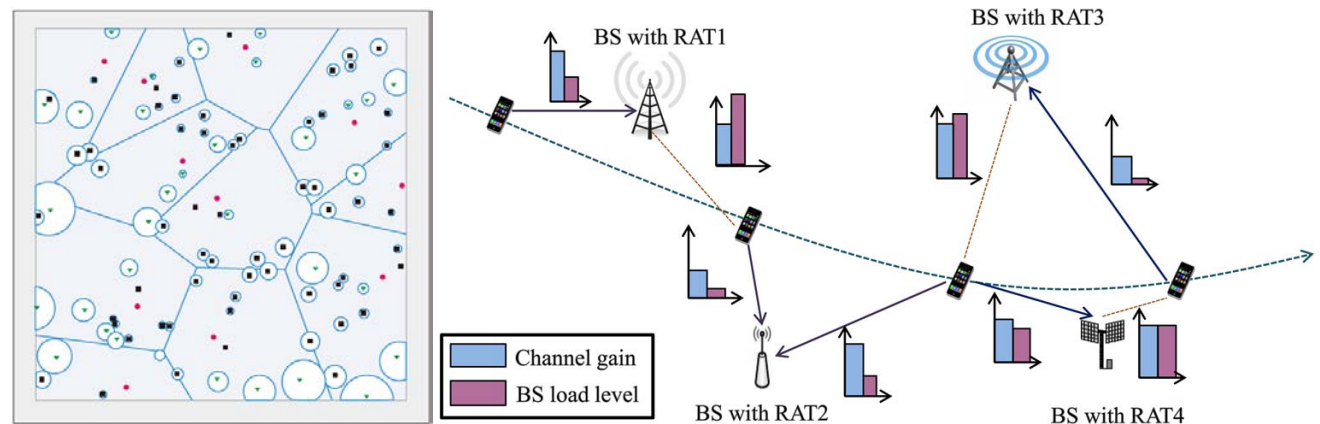


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□ New user association schemes are needed for better quality of service (QoS).





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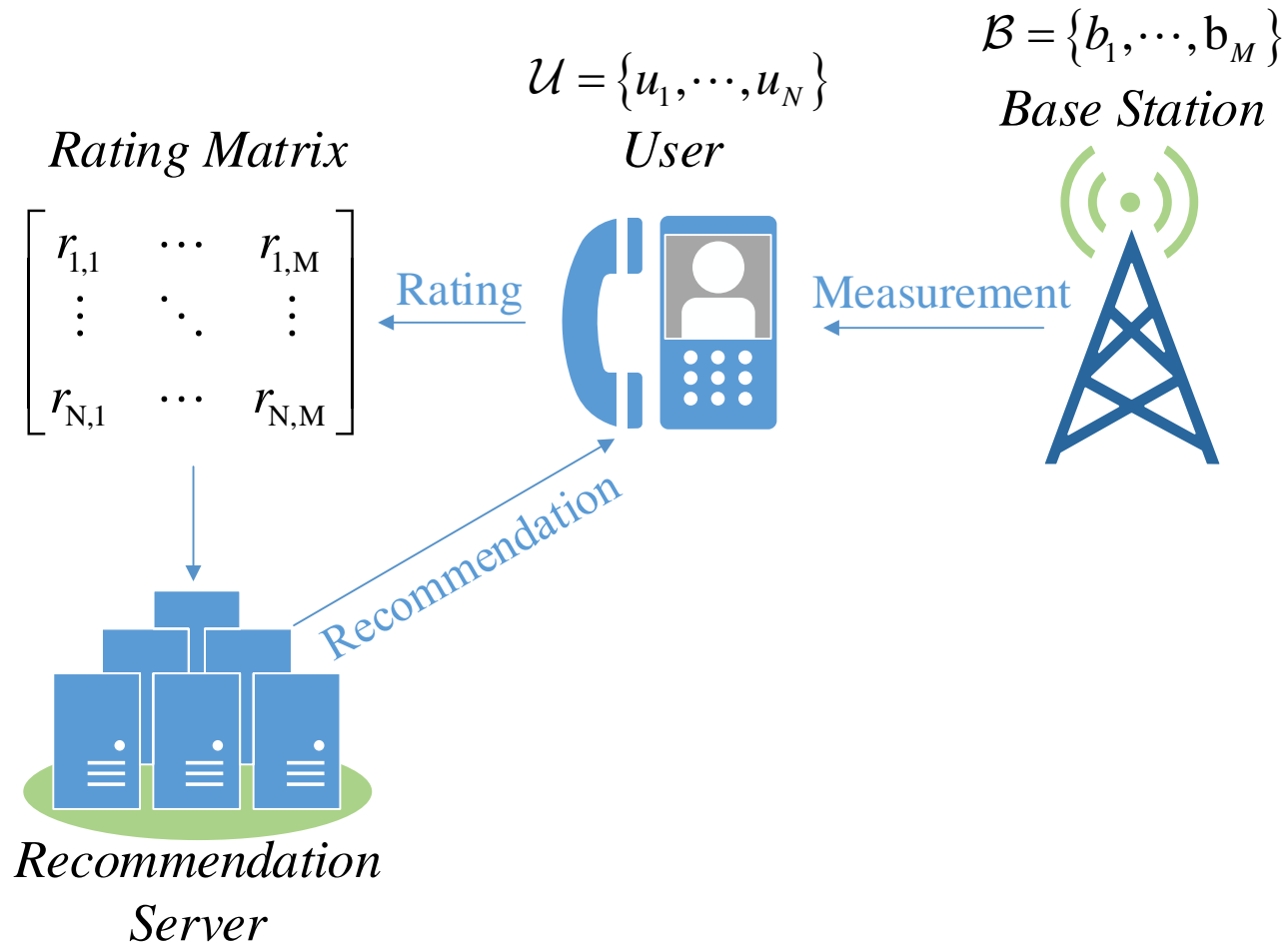


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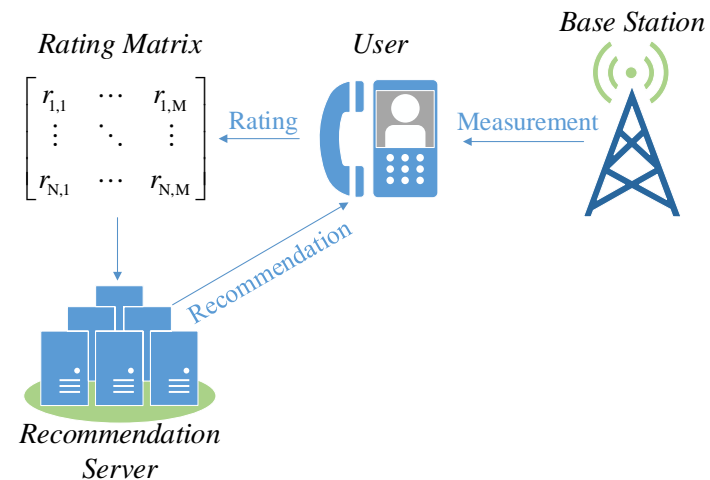
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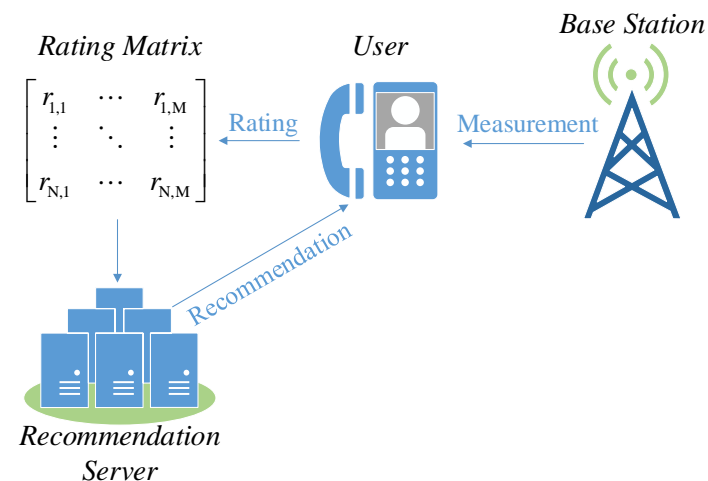
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$$MOS = \begin{cases} 1 & T < 0, \\ 1 + 0.035R + R(R - 60)(100 - R) \cdot 7 \cdot 10^{-6} & 0 < T < 100, \\ 4.5 & T > 100, \end{cases}$$

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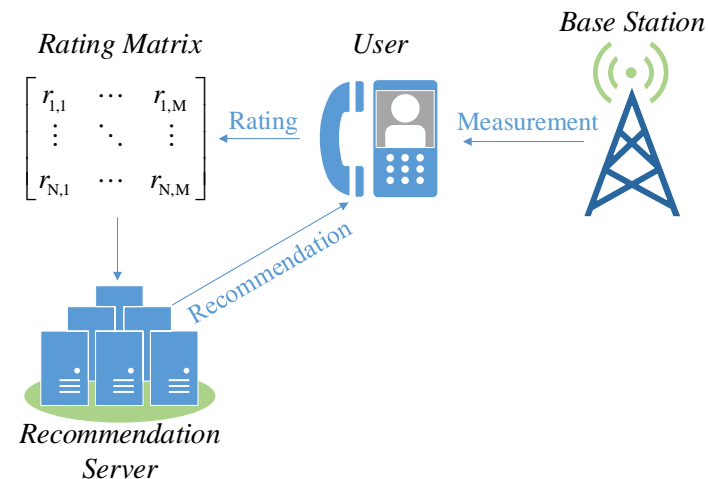
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# Collaborative Filtering

## □ Recommendation value

$$f_{ij}^{CF}(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{\sum_{k \in \text{Neighbor}(i)} r_{kj} F_{sim}(i, k)}{\sum_{k \in \text{Neighbor}(i)} F_{sim}(i, k)}$$

## □ Similarity $F_{sim}(i, k)$

- Rating vector
- Location

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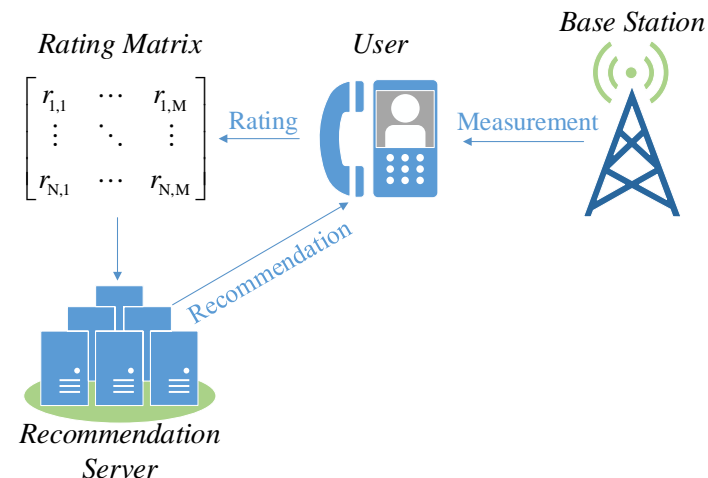
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## □ Selection

- Selection probability proportional to recommendation value





# To Rate or Not?

- Rating improves recommendation quality
  - More historical information
- Rating takes costs
  - Computational resource
  - Privacy
- Tradeoff
  - Satisfaction game



# Game Formulation

- Player:  $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_N\}$
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■ Utility expectation:  $\Gamma_i$

Number of users connecting to the same base station



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## □ Satisfaction equilibrium (SE)

- An action profile  $\mathbf{a}^+$  is a satisfaction equilibrium for the satisfaction game, if  $\forall u_i \in \mathcal{U}$ , we have  $\mathbf{a}_i^+ \in f_i(\mathbf{a}_{-i}^+)$ .



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## □ Judging satisfaction

$$v_i(n) = \begin{cases} 0, & h_i(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{a}_{-i}) < \Gamma_i, \\ 1, & h_i(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{a}_{-i}) \geq \Gamma_i. \end{cases}$$



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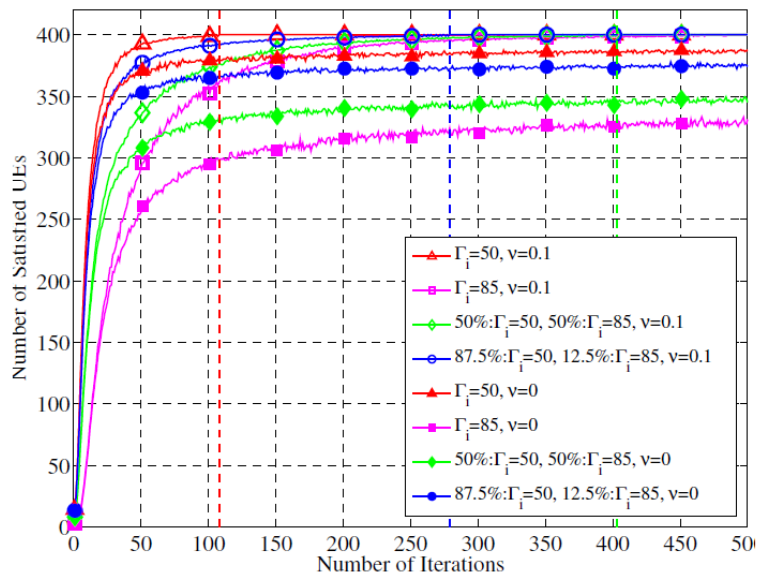
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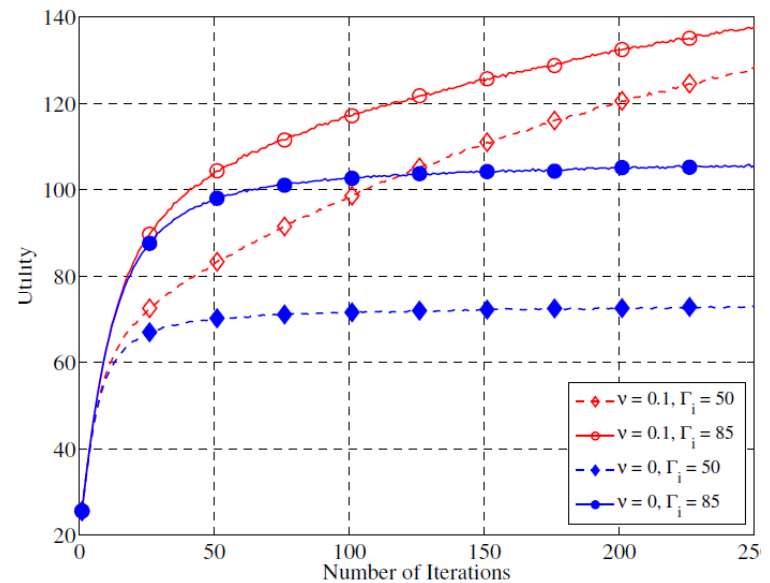
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# Simulation Results



(a) The number of satisfied UEs vs. the number of iteration.



(b) The utility vs. the number of iteration.





# Conclusion

- ❑ We propose a novel wireless network recommendation system.
- ❑ We formulate a satisfaction game to address the tradeoff between rating or not.
- ❑ We propose an algorithm to learn the satisfaction equilibrium and perform simulations to verify it.

# Thank you!

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