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Solutions for Exercises on Frequent Itemset Mining

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Exercise 1) Association rule mining

A database has four transactions. Let $min_sup = 60\%$ and $min_conf = 80\%$.

| TID | date | items bought |
|-----|----------|-----------------|
| T1 | 10-15-99 | {K, A, D, B} |
| T2 | 10-15-99 | {D, A, C, E, B} |
| T3 | 10-19-99 | {C, A, B, E} |
| T4 | 10-22-99 | {B, A, D} |

a) Find all frequent itemsets using the Apriori algorithm.

frequent Itemsets L(1):

A 4

B 4

D 3

Size of set of frequent itemsets L(2): 3

frequent Itemsets L(2):

A B 4

A D 3

B D 3

Size of set of frequent itemsets L(3): 1

frequent Itemsets L(3):

A B D 3

b) List all of the strong association rules (with support s and confidence c) matching the following metarule, where X is a variable representing customers, and $item_i$ denotes variables representing items (e.g. "A", "B", etc.):

for all $X \in transaction$, $buys(X, item_1) \wedge buys(X, item_2) \Rightarrow buys(X, item_3) [s, c]$

Best rules found:

1. $B \wedge C \implies A$
2. $A \wedge C \implies B$
3. $B \wedge E \implies A$

Exercise 2)

Suppose there are 100 items, numbered 1 to 100, and also 100 baskets, also numbered 1 to 100. Item i is in basket b if and only if i divides b with no remainder. Thus, item 1 is in all the baskets, item 2 is in all fifty of the even-numbered baskets, and so on. Basket 12 consists of items $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12\}$, since these are all the integers that divide 12. Answer the following questions:

(a) If the support threshold is 5, which items are frequent?

Items 1 to 20 occur in at least 5 baskets

(b) If the support threshold is 5, which pairs of items are frequent?

Pairs $\{1, [2-20]\}$

2, multiples of 2 which are ≤ 20

3, multiples of 3 which are ≤ 20

All other pairs only occur < 5 times