IMPLEMENTATION OF APRIORI ALGORITHM

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1. INTRODUCTION

Association rule mining is a technique to identify underlying relations between different items. Different statistical algorithms have been developed to implement association rule mining, and Apriori is one such algorithm.

In this project apriori algorithm is applied on data on abstracts of various covid research paper abstracts, the data was taken from kaggle website. The abstracts were extracted, preprocessed and tokenized. The cleaned data is run in apriori algorithm which produces association rules from which can infer useful information.

There are three major components of Apriori algorithm:

- Support
- Confidence
- Lift

1.1 Support

Support refers to the default popularity of a word and can be calculated by finding number of abstracts containing a particular item divided by total number of abstracts.

Support(A) = (Number of abstracts containing (A)) / (Total number of Abstracts)

1.2 Confidence

Confidence refers to the likelihood that a word B is also present if word A is also present. It can be calculated by finding the number of abstracts where A and B are both present, divided by total number of abstracts where only A is present.

Confidence($A \rightarrow B$) = (Number of abstracts containing both (A and B)) / (Number of abstracts containing (A))

1.1 Lift

Lift(A -> B) refers to the increase in the ratio of presence of B when A is sold. Lift (A -> B) can be calculated by dividing Confidence (A -> B) divided by Support(B). Mathematically it can be represented as:

$$Lift(A \rightarrow B) = (Confidence (A \rightarrow B)) / (Support (B))$$

2. Implementing Apriori Algorithm with Python

STEP 1: import the necessary libraries:

- 1. apriori
- 2. pandas csv file importer and table manipulation
- 3. NLTK Natural Language ToolKit in python
- 4. Re word manipulation

import re

import pandas as pd

from nltk.tokenize import WordPunctTokenizer

from nltk.corpus import stopwords

from apyori import apriori

STEP 2: **Import dataset**

CSV file is imported using the pandas.read_csv function

Extracting column in which contains data on which apriori is applied on

The abstract column contains abstracts of papers which are used as data in this project.

STEP 3: Pre-processing

Perform preprocessing on text, where the text was tokenized and stop words were removed using **nltk.tokenize WordPunctTokenizer** and **nltk.corpus stopwords** respectively.

word_punct_token = WordPunctTokenizer().tokenize(text)

stop_words = stopwords.words('english')

tokens = [x for x in clean_token if x not in stop_words]

Characters which are not alphabets are removed

$$re.sub(r'[^a-zA-Z]+', '', token)$$

Empty tokens or tokens token which are or smaller than length two are removed

STEP 4: Apply Apriori

Apply the apriori function with appropriate parameters.

The apriori class requires some parameter values to work.

- The first parameter is the list of list that you want to extract rules from.
- The second parameter is the min_support parameter. This parameter is used to select the items with support values greater than the value specified by the parameter.
- Next, the min_confidence parameter filters those rules that have confidence greater than the confidence threshold specified by the parameter.
- Similarly, the min_lift parameter specifies the minimum lift value for the short listed rules.
- Finally, the min_length parameter specifies the minimum number of items that you want in your rules.

association_rules = apriori(clean, min_support=0.05, min_confidence=0.05, min_lift=3, min_length=2)

STEP 5: Display the results

The obtained result is in such

RelationRecord(items=frozenset({'virus', 'covid'}), support= 0.054379797957218194, ordered_statistics[OrderedStatistic(items_base=frozenset({'virus'}), items_add=frozenset({'covid'}), confidence= 0.3341192629048873, lift= 3.596496969276992)])

Hence a result is more readable format for inference

Rule: virus -> covid

Support: 0.054379797957218194 Confidence: 0.3341192629048873

Lift: 3.596496969276992

2. Snapshot of Dataset

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3. CODE

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import re
import pandas as pd
from nltk.tokenize import WordPunctTokenizer
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
from apyori import apriori
stop_words = stopwords.words('english')
stop_words = stop_words + ['conclusions', 'conclusion']
def tokenizing(text):
  word_punct_token = WordPunctTokenizer().tokenize(text)
  clean_token=[]
  for token in word_punct_token:
    token = token.lower()
    if token in ["coronavirus", "cov"]:
       token="covid"
    # remove any value that are not alphabetical
    new\_token = re.sub(r'[^a-zA-Z]+', '', token)
    # remove empty value and double character value
    if new_token != "" and len(new_token) > 2:
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vowels=len([v for v in new_token if v in "aeiou"])
       if vowels != 0: # remove line that only contains consonants
         clean_token.append(new_token)
  tokens = [x for x in clean_token if x not in stop_words]
  tokens = list(set(tokens))
df = pd.read_csv(r'D:\PROJECT\NLP\metadata.csv',encoding='UTF-8')
#title=list(df["title"])
title=list(df["abstract"])
clean=[]
for i in range(len(title)):
  clean.append(tokenizing(str(title[i])))
print(len(clean))
association_rules = apriori(clean, min_support=0.05, min_confidence=0.05, min_lift=3,
min_length=2)
for item in association rules:
  # first index of the inner list
  # Contains base item and add item
  pair = item[0]
  items = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in pair}]
  print("Rule: " + items[0] + " -> " + items[1])
  #second index of the inner list
  print("Support: " + str(item[1]))
  #third index of the list located at 0th
  #of the third index of the inner list
  print("Confidence: " + str(item[2][0][2]))
  print("Lift: " + str(item[2][0][3]))
  # print("Length : "+str(len(association_rules)))
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4. RESULTS Rule: public -> health

Support: 0.06505382653679001 Confidence: 0.33980403031983736 Rule: disease -> syndrome Lift: 4.137184009076776 Support: 0.05416370942052878 Confidence: 0.4478536112009611 Rule: hospital -> patients Lift: 7.295485586091714 Support: 0.05888412624786473 Confidence: 0.7497272425406765 Rule: respiratory -> sars Lift: 3.0136906321339336 Support: 0.06544874696591203 Confidence: 0.5411641482987539 Rule: respiratory -> sars Lift: 6.868406340961135 Support: 0.07879035127427038 Confidence: 0.5669173133888241 Rule: respiratory -> severe Lift: 3.483241975751956 Support: 0.07699271818888001 Confidence: 0.6366156831939375 Lift: 7.234406342325618 Rule: respiratory -> severe Support: 0.0879983309023373 Confidence: 0.6331711501601727 Rule: respiratory -> syndrome Support: 0.07858916539528368 Lift: 4.586385606740432 Confidence: 0.6498159358008718 Lift: 7.629584681192813 Rule: respiratory -> syndrome Support: 0.08517055160324655 Confidence: 0.6128245338909217 Rule: severe -> sars Support: 0.06326737044467667 Lift: 6.2947194483510565 Confidence: 0.5231273970703757 Rule: severe -> sars Lift: 6.725671310847533 Support: 0.07778069621491122 Confidence: 0.477898592194117 Rule: sars -> syndrome Lift: 3.4616662874898037 Support: 0.06290225533096008 Confidence: 0.5201084361474362 Rule: sars -> syndrome Lift: 7.888651721169673 Support: 0.06593122050903753 Confidence: 0.4050932814467209 Rule: severe -> syndrome Lift: 4.160976619080486 Support: 0.07340117768252495 Confidence: 0.606918965543798 Rule: severe -> syndrome Lift: 7.840129423580831 Support: 0.07741185543676896 Confidence: 0.5607340439886656 Rule: analysis -> results Lift: 5.759664140137451 Support: 0.05338504555556176 Confidence: 0.2522222808963053 Rule: respiratory -> covid Lift: 3.1044437144933257 Support: 0.08039052414509973 Confidence: 0.6647105032114967 Rule: covid -> background Support: 0.06488430880542159 Lift: 5.89954199792484 Confidence: 0.503265424071666 Rule: covid -> sars Lift: 3.8643070596446893 Support: 0.0670917649776367 Confidence: 0.5547494724519817 Rule: patients -> background Lift: 3.5080568683385027 Support: 0.05987701581730832 Confidence: 0.4644271059095506 Rule: covid -> severe Lift: 4.154513676271408 Support: 0.07507027534522938 Rule: results -> background Confidence: 0.62071992976295 Lift: 5.255311261502366 Support: 0.09711316891976222 Confidence: 0.7532437509030486 Lift: 4.188114208772029 Rule: covid -> syndrome Support: 0.07475173103683379 Confidence: 0.6180860403863039 Rule: study -> background Lift: 7.360065081565504 Support: 0.06482656100682356 Confidence: 0.5028175119202428 Rule: disease -> acute Lift: 4.186833800686981 Support: 0.05900334750948647 Confidence: 0.487870246291761 Rule: patients -> background Lift: 6.017993106542068 Support: 0.06201182153322268 Confidence: 0.48098540673313106 Rule: disease -> severe Lift: 3.57525226167988 Support: 0.0551435591644825 Confidence: 0.45595551653497224 Rule: study -> background

Lift: 5.287407597851772

Support: 0.06842555284202996 Confidence: 0.530732553099263 Lift: 3.21423139878707

Rule: clinical -> results Support: 0.05954729451563568 Confidence: 0.28133636091601977 Lift: 3.3824443730762597

Rule: results -> compared Support: 0.05227293472449643 Confidence: 0.24696801675731814 Lift: 3.3573903426765916

Rule: public -> health

Support: 0.0518873284564386 Confidence: 0.2710297652061379

Lift: 4.18987431155258

Rule: covid -> sars Support: 0.07263741647526066

Confidence: 0.44629735607187826 Lift: 3.4834320745952496

Rule: respiratory -> covid Support: 0.07585266487462208 Confidence: 0.5457798866058144 Lift: 3.451336098339893

Rule: respiratory -> covid Support: 0.08016512144734611 Confidence: 0.5768091465948234 Lift: 4.883541607879399

Rule: respiratory -> covid Support: 0.07771363425524899 Confidence: 0.5591700510675941 Lift: 6.658503345177628

Rule: severe -> covid

Support: 0.07492311160041504 Confidence: 0.46034107817328607

Lift: 3.8974673379346885

Rule: covid -> sars

Support: 0.06312952086092653 Confidence: 0.38787913471443286

Lift: 4.618799792817322

Rule: virus -> covid

Support: 0.054379797957218194 Confidence: 0.3341192629048873 Lift: 3.596496969276992

Rule: covid -> severe

Support: 0.07195003138872279 Confidence: 0.5211712319525031 Lift: 6.2060197693717285

Rule: results -> data

Support: 0.06866772102969913 Confidence: 0.32442660752319097

Lift: 3.16196223916151

Rule: results -> disease Support: 0.06810514570142152 Confidence: 0.3217686715600852

Lift: 3.093041327976905

Rule: patients -> disease

Support: 0.052541182563145356 Confidence: 0.38058291728511673

Lift: 3.191392597407634

Rule: disease -> sars

Support: 0.05092796986682613 Confidence: 0.36644014636696287

Lift: 4.510795937817283

Rule: disease -> severe

Support: 0.059126294435533897 Confidence: 0.4254292492661546 Lift: 4.933415132275757

Rule: disease -> syndrome Support: 0.05561671854654379 Confidence: 0.40017692709799346

Lift: 6.5188376972131925

Rule: severe -> disease Support: 0.05206429751665838 Confidence: 0.31989241158292325

Lift: 3.709575838345937

Rule: disease -> severe

Support: 0.052462943610206085 Confidence: 0.3800161921468088 Lift: 6.190421563988392

Rule: results -> health

Support: 0.053066501247166165 Confidence: 0.2507172906655401 Lift: 3.0862735633287453

Rule: results -> may

Support: 0.05590545753953396 Confidence: 0.2641301860555174 Lift: 3.0398896745013118

Rule: patients -> results Support: 0.102893537276204 Confidence: 0.48612944676207076

Lift: 3.6134888495060102

Rule: patients -> study

Support: 0.06771395093672518 Confidence: 0.31992043794335606

Lift: 3.013647493909814

Rule: results -> study

Support: 0.10882665787409862 Confidence: 0.5141609899491296 Lift: 3.113870419809812

Rule: results -> used

Support: 0.055395041513215865 Confidence: 0.2617186812413089 Lift: 3.0866497639984125

Rule: results -> using

Support: 0.0646644946043065 Confidence: 0.3055130168453293 Lift: 3.0424179342533137

Rule: severe -> respiratory Support: 0.06596102582444296 Confidence: 0.47460694036752576

Lift: 6.101860274638935

Rule: respiratory -> sars

Support: 0.06358591475307228 Confidence: 0.45751739112951867

Lift: 6.939313235780375

Rule: respiratory -> severe Support: 0.07435308494328607 Confidence: 0.5349900143418178 Lift: 6.910957130833853

Rule: severe -> sars

Support: 0.06183857813742858 Confidence: 0.3799473503490901 Lift: 4.908128712396465

Rule: disease -> covid

Support: 0.05494609894992148 Confidence: 0.4543228131786886

Lift: 6.318511091016454

Rule: disease -> covid

Support: 0.05221332409368556 Confidence: 0.4317268148421977

Lift: 5.474907126293829

Rule: disease -> covid Support: 0.0515967266312356 Confidence: 0.4266284675692744 Lift: 7.563954490888935

Rule: respiratory -> covid Support: 0.06264145882116252 Confidence: 0.5179520354881938 Lift: 6.828396027276351

Rule: respiratory -> covid Support: 0.07149736316100272 Confidence: 0.5911772407313278 Lift: 7.374494419242209

Rule: respiratory -> covid Support: 0.07303047407216985 Confidence: 0.6038537960353034 Lift: 7.770242658475562.

Rule: severe -> covid

Support: 0.06049733894418396 Confidence: 0.5002233414968501 Lift: 6.676489147496633

Rule: covid -> sars

Support: 0.06013967515931873 Confidence: 0.4972659920213176 Lift: 7.876916935846666

Rule: covid -> severe

Support: 0.06894155736498658 Confidence: 0.5700445142707515 Lift: 7.922783399370392

Rule: disease -> severe Support: 0.0521872444427058 Confidence: 0.43151117477627343 Lift: 7.298126474791266

Rule: disease -> syndrome Support: 0.05264922683149006 Confidence: 0.43533108451550295

Lift: 7.827342135462177

Rule: severe -> respiratory

Support: 0.062039764016415276 Confidence: 0.5129769111100843 Lift: 7.776969880295464

Rule: respiratory -> sars Support: 0.06225957821753037 Confidence: 0.5147944488085887 Lift: 8.096045339722275

Rule: respiratory -> severe Support: 0.07262065098534509 Confidence: 0.6004651664279222 Lift: 8.075860831947134

Rule: severe -> sars

Support: 0.06061283454138002 Confidence: 0.5011783189316575

Lift: 8.10462229286467

Rule: results -> covid Support: 0.05983603350862585 Confidence: 0.46410923276983096

Lift: 4.138979400069814

Rule: patients -> results Support: 0.056322731955210065 Confidence: 0.4368588354284063 Lift: 4.245736389212833

Rule: results -> study

Support: 0.06060352038031582 Confidence: 0.4700621297500361 Lift: 4.319365667682731

Rule: results -> disease Support: 0.05544161231853686 Confidence: 0.2619387090528243 Lift: 3.1517012658883776

Rule: disease -> covid Support: 0.05567632917735467 Confidence: 0.40060584127494736

Lift: 5.080249129377842

Rule: disease -> covid

Support: 0.05277403658975032 Confidence: 0.3797230822845041 Lift: 6.732340506728338

Rule: severe -> disease Support: 0.05089816455142069 Confidence: 0.31272748082865975

Lift: 3.96582712612503

Rule: disease -> covid Support: 0.05018842547832874 Confidence: 0.36354068276885715 Lift: 6.445432944776061

Rule: results -> covid

Support: 0.053923404065072456 Confidence: 0.41404909028492964

Lift: 4.666077264605544

Rule: patients -> covid Support: 0.06569277798579404 Confidence: 0.31037123092358876

Lift: 3.5146620202659666

Rule: results -> covid

Support: 0.06758914117846491 Confidence: 0.31933076340849487

Lift: 3.157120695814833

Rule: severe -> respiratory Support: 0.06317981733067321 Confidence: 0.45459541329902015 Lift: 6.067492441097467

Rule: respiratory -> covid Support: 0.06081215758815388 Confidence: 0.43755947833313225

Lift: 6.931138908801

Rule: respiratory -> covid Support: 0.06982640266608546 Confidence: 0.5024193440293806 Lift: 6.982892631623343

Rule: severe -> covid

Support: 0.05909276345570278 Confidence: 0.3630765709053451 Lift: 5.0462322795074215

Rule: disease -> severe Support: 0.05058520873966361 Confidence: 0.36397388984947787 Lift: 6.937732898743996

Rule: patients -> results Support: 0.06382435727631576 Confidence: 0.30154371512559186 Lift: 3.7459512767587264

Rule: severe -> respiratory Support: 0.06098726381616081 Confidence: 0.4388194137279343

Lift: 7.096208013591653

Rule: covid -> acute

Support: 0.05052187244442706 Confidence: 0.417741016280825 Lift: 7.915654046481597

Rule: covid -> severe Support: 0.05927345818034824 Confidence: 0.49010366126026217

Lift: 7.757282024022589

Rule: covid -> acute

Support: 0.05950631220695321 Confidence: 0.4920290189917287 Lift: 8.090964677227227

Rule: covid -> severe Support: 0.06838270770113465 Confidence: 0.5654236557152319

Lift: 8.097562442377646

Rule: covid -> severe

Support: 0.05787260835629274 Confidence: 0.4785207091477596 Lift: 8.097788648968315

Rule: severe -> acute Support: 0.06036880352149802 Confidence: 0.4991605440290806

Lift: 8.184668614315006

Rule: covid -> severe Support: 0.05824331196664785 Confidence: 0.4190759580200249 Lift: 7.091832121443658

Rule: covid -> severe

Support: 0.05762857733641073 Confidence: 0.47650293424518275

Lift: 8.181247222308459

Let us consider one of the above rules:

Rule: respiratory -> severe Support: 0.07435308494328607 Confidence: 0.5349900143418178

Lift: 6.910957130833853

The support value is 0.0743. This number is calculated by dividing number of abstracts containing the word "respiratory" by total number of abstracts. The confidence value is 0.535 which shows that out of all abstracts that contain "respiratory", 53.5% also contain "severe". Finally, the lift of 6.91 tells us that "severe" is 6.91 times more likely to be present in the abstract which contain "respiratory" compared to the default likelihood of the presence of "severe".

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