

Data Mining, Big Data and Analytics.

Lab 7 – Association Rule Mining

Requirement (1):

Hint: Use the help to know what you don't know! It is called help for a reason.

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| 1. | First of all, start by cleaning the workspace and setting the working directory. |
| 2. | Load the libraries arules and arulesViz |
| 3. | Load the transactions in the file AssociationRules.csv using the function read.transactions . Make sure you don't include the header line in the dataset. |
| 4. | Display the transactions in a readable format using the function inspect . Display only the first 100 transactions. |
| 5. | What are the most frequent two items in the dataset? What are their frequencies? Hint: use the function itemFrequency or use the function summary. |
| 6. | Plot the 5 most frequent items of the transactions using the function itemFrequencyPlot |
| 7. | Generate the association rules from the transactions using the apriori algorithm. Set the minimum support = 0.01, minimum confidence = 0.5, minimum cardinality (number of items in the rule) = 2. Use the function apriori |
| 8. | Now, sort the generated rules by support. Search the function sort found in the arules package. Show only the first 6 rules. |
| 9. | Sort the generated rules by confidence. Show only the first 6 rules. |
| 10. | Sort the generated rules by lift. Show only the first 6 rules. |
| 11. | Plot the generated rules with support as x-axis, confidence as y-axis and lift as shading. Use the function plot in arules package. |
| 12. | Based on (8-11), Can you tell now what are the most interesting rules that are really useful and provide a real business value and an insight to the concerned corporate? |