

Title:- Apriori algorithm.

Problem statement:- Apply apriori algorithm to find frequent occurring items from a given data & find strong association rules using support & confidence threshold.

Objective:- Implementing apriori algorithm.

Outcome:- We will learn to mine frequent itemsets to generate strong association rules.

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1) 64 bit OS

2) Python 3

Theory:-

- Apriori employs an iterative approach known as level wise search where k -itemsets are used to explore $(k+1)$ itemsets.
- Set of frequent 1-itemsets found by scanning the DB to accumulate the count for each item & collecting these items. One resulting set is L_1 .
- Next L_1 is used to find L_2 , the set of 2-itemsets, which is used to find L_3 & so on until no more k -itemsets can be found.

- The finding of each L_k requires one full scan of the DB.

Generating associating rule:-

- 1) Once the frequent itemsets from a transaction in a database D have been found, it is straight forward to generate strong association rules.

$$\text{confidence } (A \Rightarrow B) = P(B|A) = \frac{\text{support_count}(A \cup B)}{\text{support_count}(A)}$$

- For each subsets L , generate all non-empty subsets of L .
- For every non-empty subsets S of L , output the rule
" $S \Rightarrow (L-S)$ if

$$\frac{\text{support_count}(L)}{\text{support_count}(S)}$$

Algorithm:-

- $L_1 = \text{find_frequent_1-itemset}(D)$
- for ($k=2, L_{k-1} \neq \emptyset, k++$)

$C_k = \text{apriori_gen}(L_{k-1})$
for each transaction $t \in D$ ↑

$C_t = \text{subset}(C_k, t)$

for each candidate $c \in C_t$

$c.\text{count}++$

}

$L_k = \{c \in C_k \mid c.\text{count} \geq \text{min_sup}\}$

}

return $L = \bigcup_k L_k$

procedure apriori-gen (L_{k-1} : frequent $(k-1)$ -itemsets)

1) for each itemset $L_1 \in L_{k-1}$

2) for each itemset $L_2 \in L_{k-1}$

3) if $(L_1[1] = L_2[1] \wedge L_1[2] = L_2[2] \wedge$

4) $(L_1[k-2] = L_2[k-2]) \wedge$

5) $L_1[k-1] < L_2[k-1])$ then {

6) $C = L_1 \times L_2;$

7) if has-infrequent-subset (c : candidate, k -itemset);

8) then delete $C;$

9) else add c to C_k

10) }

11) }

12) return $C_k;$

procedure has infrequent-subset

- 1) for each $(K-1)$ -subset S of C
- 2) if $S \in L_{k-1}$ then
- 3) return TRUE
- 4) return FALSE

Test cases:-

<u>Description</u>	<u>Expected</u>	<u>Actual</u>
1) Preprocess data Find total items.	Success	Success
2) Generate frequent itemset.	Freq. itemset generated	Freq. itemset generated.
3) Strong association rule creation	Association rules created	Association rules created
4) Apriori property holds up.	Apriori was satisfied	Apriori was satisfied.

Conclusion:- Thus, we have implemented apriori algo & performed market basket analysis.