



4.2. Pattern Evaluation: Interestingness Measures: Lift and χ^2 In-Lecture Question

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- ☐ **Answer:** Lift < 1 ; $\chi^2 > 0$;
- ☐ **Explanation:** Since the number of transactions (50) with both Apple and Banana is smaller than the expected number (57), items Apple and Banana are negatively correlated, thus Lift < 1 . $\chi^2 > 0$ as long that the items of interest are correlated.