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- **Answers:** Cosine, Kulcyzynski, AllConf
- **Explanation:** Since both JL and HG have published hundreds of papers and they have only co-authored one paper, JL and HG are negatively correlated. We have Cosine(JL, HG) = 4.1e-3, Kulc(JL, HG) = 4.9e-3, and Allconf(JL, HG) = 2.3e-3, which are small and agree with our observation.
- However, we have Lift(JL, HG) = 46.87 and  $\chi^2$ (JL, HG) = 44.79, which are large due to a large number of null transactions. Therefore, Lift and  $\chi^2$  are not appropriate in this case and we should use measures that are null-invariant .