

Association Analysis

Exercises

1. Using the following Venn Diagram, determine the confidence of the following rules. (note: there are 10,000 transactions total in this data set. 9,160 transactions did not involve any of the 3 items of interest.)

$Bread \Rightarrow Jelly$

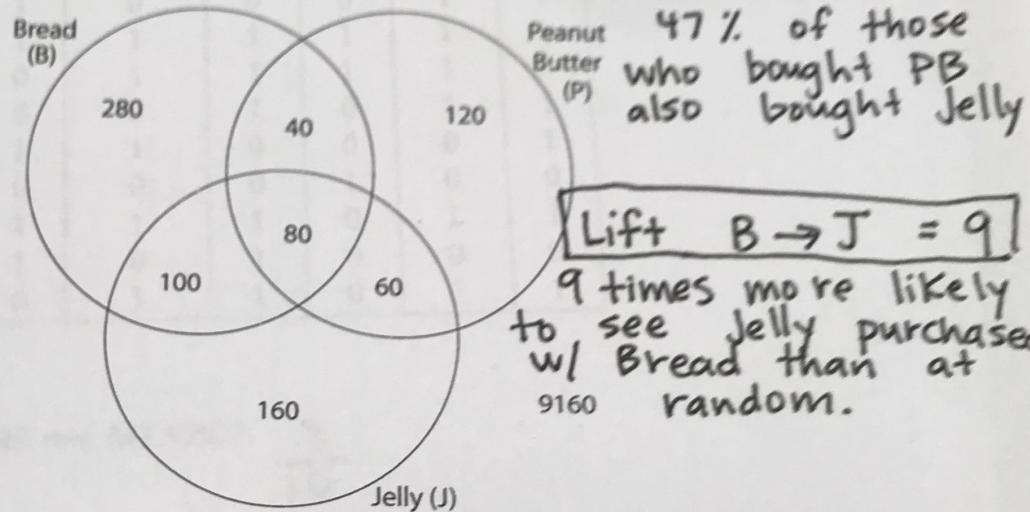
$$P(Jelly | Bread) = 0.36$$

$PeanutButter \Rightarrow Jelly$

36% of those who bought bread also bought Jelly

Also, determine the lift of the first rule, $Bread \Rightarrow Jelly$, and explain the result in a sentence.

$$P(Jelly | Peanut Butter) = 0.47$$



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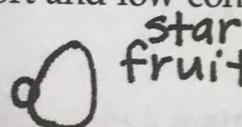
2. Give an example of an association rule that might satisfy the given conditions. For visual folks, it might help to draw a Venn diagram with two circles representing the antecedent and consequent of the rule. Consider how the relative size of each circle and the overlap would be representative of support and confidence. Comment on whether such a rule might be subjectively interesting.

a) A rule with high support and high confidence.



cereal \rightarrow milk. not so interesting
Many shopping trips include these items together!

b) A rule with low support and low confidence.



star fruit \rightarrow capers not so interesting

c) A rule with low support and high confidence



trailers flip over \rightarrow tornado.

Suppose you collected some data for association analysis, and you found the support of the rule

$$itemA \Rightarrow itemB$$

List of Key Terms

was 100%. What can you say about the confidence, expected confidence and lift of this rule? What can you take away from this about rules with very high support? Are they likely to be interesting? Discuss briefly.

$\text{Confidence, expected confidence} = 100\%.$

$\text{Lift} = 1$

not interesting! common/obvious!

4. In an effort to learn more about visitors to news websites, you've collected data on whether or not individuals have visited certain sites in the past week. These are binary variables indicating if the website has been visited ("1") or not ("0"). You'd like to perform an association analysis to determine rules indicating whether an individual is likely to visit an alternative site, given their browsing history. Using the following dataset, answer the questions below.

Name	NPR	CBS	MSNBC	ABC	FOX	POST	WSJ
Tito	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Jojo	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
Loki	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
Niko	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Yaya	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
Kujo	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
Arod	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Park	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Yorp	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Hoki	0	0	1	1	0	1	1

- a. What is the support of the rule $CBS \Rightarrow MSNBC$?

$$\frac{3}{10}$$

- b. What is the confidence of the rule $NPR \Rightarrow WSJ$?

$$\frac{3}{4}$$

- c. What is the confidence of the rule $WSJ \Rightarrow FOX$?

$$\frac{2}{7}$$

- d. What is the lift of the rule $WSJ \Rightarrow POST$?

$$10\%$$

- e. What is the lift of the rule $POST \Rightarrow WSJ$?

$$10\%$$

- f. Suppose you put this binary data into a matrix, X . Let $S = XX^T$ and explain the meaning behind S . Hint: You should actually perform the multiplication of XX^T and see what happens to answer this question.

$S_{ij} = \# \text{ stations person } i \text{ and person } j \text{ have in common.}$

$S_{ii} = \# \text{ stations used by person } i$