Course name: Data Science (ITE4005)

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# < Programming Assignment #1 >

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#### 1. Environment

- OS: Windows, Mac OS, or Linux
- Languages: C, C++, C#, Java, or Python

### **2. Goal:** find association rules using the **Apriori** algorithm

# 3. Requirements

The program must meet the following requirements:

- Execution file name: apriori.exe
- Execute the program with three arguments: minimum support, input file name, output file name
  - Example:

#### C:\>apriori.exe 5 input.txt output.txt

- Minimum support = 5%, input file name = 'input.txt', output file name = 'output.txt'
- Input file format

```
\label{lim_id_tim_id_n} $$ [item_id] \t[item_id] \t[
```

- Row: transaction
- *item id* is a numerical value
- There is no duplication of items in each transaction
- Example:

18	2	4	5	1	
1	11	15	2	7	16
2	1	16			
15	7	6	11	18	9
11	2	13	4		

Figure 1. Input file example

#### Output file format

```
[item_set]\t[associative_item_set]\t[support(%)]\t[confidence(%)]\n
[item_set]\t[associative_item_set]\t[support(%)]\t[confidence(%)]\n
```

- [item set]\t[associative item set]: association rules with minimum support
  - $[item \ set] \rightarrow [associative \ item \ set]$
  - Use braces to represent item sets: {[item id],[item id],...} (Important!!)
    - e.g.,  $\{0\}$ ,  $\{0,4\}$ ,  $\{0,3,1\}$
- Support: probability that a transaction contains [item\_set] U [associative\_item\_set]
- Confidence: conditional probability that a transaction having [item set] also contains [associative item set]
- The value of support and confidence should be rounded to two decimal places.
  - e.g., 24.631 rounded to two decimal places should become 24.63.
- An additional penalty will be imposed if you don't keep the output file format.
- Example:

{0}	<b>{1}</b>	6.60	24.63
{0,1}	{2}	7	25
{7}	{0,4}	3.4	14
{0}	{3}	2.2	10
{0,1}	{2}	4	17
{0,1}	{3}	1	4

Figure 2. Output file example

# 4. Submission

- Please submit the program files and the report to GitLab
  - Report
    - Should be written in English
    - File format must be \*.docx, \*.doc, \*.hwp, \*.pdf, or \*.odt.
    - Guideline
      - ✓ Summary of your algorithm
      - ✓ Detailed description of your codes (for each function)
      - ✓ Instructions for compiling your source codes at TA's computer (e.g. screenshot) (*Important!!*)
      - ✓ Any other specification of your implementation and testing
  - Program files
    - A executable file (.exe)
    - All source files
      - ✓ MakeFile if you use Linux
  - Note: submission details for GitLab will be announced later.

# 5. Penalty

- Late submission
  - 1 week delay: 20%
  - 2 weeks delay: 50%
  - Delay more than 2 weeks: 100%
- Requirements unsatisfied
  - Significant penalty up to 30% will be given when the requirements are not satisfied