

INFS4203/7203 Data Mining Tutorial 2

Let's see how we can apply the external library to find frequent itemsets

1. Install mlxtend library

The mlxtend package can be installed in either of these two ways:

1. running **conda install -c conda-forge mlxtend** on your *Anaconda command prompt*

OR

1. running **pip install mlxtend** on your *terminal*.

For more information, please check the documentation of mlxtend at

http://rasbt.github.io/mlxtend/user_guide/frequent_patterns/apriori/
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2. Load data

We load the provided data *groceries.csv*.

```
In [1]: # Import the libraries and load data
import mlxtend
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Load data from groceries.csv
df = pd.read_csv('groceries.csv')
# give a sign when the task finished
print("loading successful")
```

loading successful

```
In [2]: # show the first three transactions
# transaction 0: citrus fruit, semi-finished bread, margarine, ready soups
# transaction 1: tropical fruit, yogurt, coffee
# transaction 2: whole milk
print(df.head(3))

# try by yourself
# print(df.head(4))
# print(df.head(100))
```

	item1	item2	item3	item4	item5	item6	\
0	citrus fruit	semi-finished bread	margarine	ready soups	NaN	NaN	
1	tropical fruit	yogurt	coffee	NaN	NaN	NaN	
2	whole milk	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	

	item7	item8	item9	item10	...	item21	item22	item23	item24	item25	item26	\
0	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	
1	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	
2	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	

	item27	item28	item29	item30
0	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
1	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
2	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN

[3 rows x 30 columns]

3. Change the data format

From the documentation, we can see the required data format is like:

	Type 1	Type 2	...	Type N
0	True	False	...	True
1	False	True	...	True
2	True	True	...	False
3	True	True	...	True

So next, we learn how to format the original transaction data into this one.

We first make each transaction into a "list", where "list" is a prespecified data structure in Python. (See here for more on list: <https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/introduction.html#lists> (<https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/introduction.html#lists>))

```
In [3]: # change the data to list
dataset = df.values.tolist()
cleanList = []

for trans in dataset: # for each transaction
    cleanTrans = []
    for x in trans: # for each element in the transaction
        if str(x) != 'nan': # if the item is not 'nan', put it in the list
            cleanTrans.append(x)
    cleanList.append(cleanTrans)
dataset = np.asarray(cleanList)

# give a sign when the task finished
print('Done')
```

Done

```
In [4]: # Let's see the dataset
print(dataset)

[[list(['citrus fruit', 'semi-finished bread', 'margarine', 'ready soups'])
 list(['tropical fruit', 'yogurt', 'coffee']) list(['whole milk']) ...
 list(['chicken', 'citrus fruit', 'other vegetables', 'butter', 'yogurt', 'fr
ozen dessert', 'domestic eggs', 'rolls/buns', 'rum', 'cling film/bags'])
 list(['semi-finished bread', 'bottled water', 'soda', 'bottled beer'])
 list(['chicken', 'tropical fruit', 'other vegetables', 'vinegar', 'shopping
bags'])]]
```

We then change the list into a mlxtend required format use the function **TransactionEncoder()**.

```
In [5]: from mlxtend.preprocessing import TransactionEncoder
from mlxtend.frequent_patterns import apriori

# This part is not required to be understood. You can just run the code and sk
ip it.
te = TransactionEncoder() # a pre-defined function to transfer data
te_ary = te.fit(dataset).transform(dataset)
df = pd.DataFrame(te_ary, columns=te.columns_) # fit the transferred data back
into a pandas data format

# give a sign when the task finished
print('Done!')
```

Done!

```
In [6]: # Let's see the first three transactions of the current data
print(df.head(3))
```

	Instant food products	UHT-milk	abrasive cleaner	artif. sweetener	\
0	False	False	False	False	
1	False	False	False	False	
2	False	False	False	False	

	baby cosmetics	baby food	bags	baking powder	bathroom cleaner	beef
0	False	False	False	False	False	False
1	False	False	False	False	False	False
2	False	False	False	False	False	False

	... turkey	vinegar	waffles	whipped/sour cream	whisky	white bread	\
0	... False	False	False	False	False	False	
1	... False	False	False	False	False	False	
2	... False	False	False	False	False	False	

	white wine	whole milk	yogurt	zwieback
0	False	False	False	False
1	False	False	True	False
2	False	True	False	False

[3 rows x 169 columns]

Great, you have done it!

4. Apply the Apriori algorithm

After we have the data organized as the requirement, we can apply the apriori algorithm:

```
In [7]: # define the MIN_SUPP
MIN_SUPP = 0.02

# apply the defined apriori algorithm
freq_set = apriori(df, min_support=MIN_SUPP, use_colnames=True)

print('Done!')
```

Done!

```
In [8]: # Let's see our result
freq_set
```

Out[8]:

	support	itemsets
0	0.033452	(UHT-milk)
1	0.052466	(beef)
2	0.033249	(berries)
3	0.026029	(beverages)
4	0.080529	(bottled beer)
...
117	0.032232	(whole milk, whipped/sour cream)
118	0.020742	(yogurt, whipped/sour cream)
119	0.056024	(whole milk, yogurt)
120	0.023183	(whole milk, other vegetables, root vegetables)
121	0.022267	(whole milk, other vegetables, yogurt)

122 rows × 2 columns

OK. Now we have 122 frequent itemsets, sorted according to the support.

How to check the i-th frequent itemset?

```
In [9]: # check the 10th frequent itemset
freq_set.loc[[10], ['support', 'itemsets']]
```

Out[9]:

	support	itemsets
10	0.077682	(canned beer)

How to check whether an itemset is frequent?

If it is frequent, provide the location of the itemset in **freq_set**; otherwise provide "Not frequent".

Check whether 'beef' is frequent

```
In [10]: # specify the itemset you want to check
check_set = ['beef']

# Select the idx from the frequent set based on the given check_set
itemset_idx = freq_set.index[freq_set['itemsets'] == frozenset(check_set)].tolist()
if itemset_idx==[]: # given check_set does not exist in the frequent set
    print('Not frequent!')
else:
    print('Found at location '+str(itemset_idx[0]))
```

Found at location 1

Check whether 'whole milk, yogurt' is frequent

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In [11]: check_set = ['yogurt', 'whole milk']

# Select the idx from the frequent set based on the given check_set
itemset_idx = freq_set.index[freq_set['itemsets'] == frozenset(check_set)].tolist()
if itemset_idx==[]: # given check_set does not exist in the frequent set
    print('Not frequent!')
else:
    print('Found at location '+str(itemset_idx[0]))
```

Found at location 119

Check whether 'university, queensland' is frequent

```
In [12]: check_set = ['university', 'queensland']

# Select the idx from the frequent set based on the given check_set
itemset_idx = freq_set.index[freq_set['itemsets'] == frozenset(check_set)].tolist()
if itemset_idx==[]:
    print('Not frequent!') # given check_set does not exist in the frequent set
else:
    print('Found at location '+str(itemset_idx[0]))
```

Not frequent!

Great! You can play with your own sets and see if they are frequent.

Exercise: after we find an itemset is frequent, how can we have its support? (hint: use the location of the frequent itemset.)

Section 4.1 Calculating the confidence

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In [13]: """
Return the support of the given itemset X
"""
def get_itemset_support(freq_set, X):
    # Select the idx from the frequent set based on the given check_set
    itemset_idx = freq_set.index[freq_set['itemsets'] == frozenset(X)].tolist()
    ()
    if itemset_idx==[]:
        return None # Request itemset X does not exist in the frequent itemset
    else:
        return freq_set.loc[itemset_idx[0],['support']] # Return the corresponding support

"""
Print the confidence of the given itemset {X} -> {Y}
"""
def get_rule_confidence(freq_set, X, Y):

    itemset = X + Y # join itemset X and itemset Y
    x_support = get_itemset_support(freq_set, X) # get support of X
    joint_support = get_itemset_support(freq_set, itemset) # get support of X
    joint Y

    if joint_support is None or x_support is None:
        return "Make sure the X, Y and X+Y are in the frequent list."

    print("The confidence of rule {%s} -> {%s} is: %3f"%(X, Y, joint_support/x_support))
```

Now, let's calculate the confidence of rule {X} -> {Y}

```
In [14]: # Specify the content of X and Y
X = ['yogurt', 'whole milk']
Y = ['other vegetables']

# Get the confidence
get_rule_confidence(freq_set, X, Y)
```

The confidence of rule {'yogurt', 'whole milk'} -> {'other vegetables'} is: 0.397459

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In [15]: # Specify the content of X and Y
X = ['queensland']
Y = ['university']

# Get the confidence
get_rule_confidence(freq_set, X, Y)
```

Out[15]: 'Make sure the X, Y and X+Y are in the frequent list.'

This is the end of the tutorial. You can play with your own rules now.

In []: