

732A61/TDDD41 Data Mining - Clustering and Association Analysis
Lecture 8: Constrained Frequent Itemset Mining

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- ▶ Course book. Second edition: 5.5. Third edition: 7.3.
- ▶ Pei, J. and Han, J. [Can We Push More Constraints into Frequent Pattern Mining ?](#) In Proc. of the 2000 Int. Conf. on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining, 2000.

Monotone and Antimonotone Constraints

- ▶ A constraint is a function that returns true or false for any itemset, meaning whether the itemset satisfies the constraint or not. For instance:
 - ▶ The itemset has support equal or greater than a given value.
 - ▶ The sum of the prices of the items in the itemset is greater than 5 units.
 - ▶ The most expensive item in the itemset costs less than 5 units.
 - ▶ The itemset contains the item “bread”.
 - ▶ The itemset contains exactly three items.
- ▶ A constraint C is monotone when for any itemset A we have that if $C(A) = \text{true}$ then $C(B) = \text{true}$ where B is any itemset such that $A \subseteq B$.
For instance:
 - ▶ The itemset contains the item “bread”.
- ▶ A constraint C is antimonotone when for any itemset A we have that if $C(A) = \text{true}$ then $C(B) = \text{true}$ where B is any itemset such that $B \subseteq A$.
For instance:
 - ▶ The support of the itemset is equal or greater than a given value.
- ▶ Alternatively, if $C(B) = \text{false}$ for some itemset B such that $B \subseteq A$ then $C(A) = \text{false}$.
- ▶ Note that the apriori property applies to any antimonotone constraint, i.e. we do not need to check the constraint for subsets of A if $C(A) = \text{true}$.

Monotone and Antimonotone Constraints

- ▶ Examples of monotone constraints:
 - ▶ $\text{sum}(S) \geq v$ where S is the set of prices of the items in the itemset, and v is a given value.
 - ▶ Really monotone ? Only if the prices of all the items are non-negative.
 - ▶ $\text{min}(S) \leq v$
 - ▶ $\text{range}(S) \geq v$
- ▶ Examples of antimonotone constraints:
 - ▶ $\text{sum}(S) \leq v$ when the prices of all the items are non-negative.
 - ▶ $\text{max}(S) \leq v$
 - ▶ $\text{range}(S) \leq v$

Monotone and Antimonotone Constraints

Constraint	Antimonotone	Monotone
$v \in S$	no	yes
$S \supseteq V$	no	yes
$S \subseteq V$	yes	no
$\min(S) \leq v$	no	yes
$\min(S) \geq v$	yes	no
$\max(S) \leq v$	yes	no
$\max(S) \geq v$	no	yes
$\text{count}(S) \leq v$	yes	no
$\text{count}(S) \geq v$	no	yes
$\text{sum}(S) \leq v \ (a \in S, a \geq 0)$	yes	no
$\text{sum}(S) \geq v \ (a \in S, a \geq 0)$	no	yes
$\text{range}(S) \leq v$	yes	no
$\text{range}(S) \geq v$	no	yes
$\text{avg}(S) \theta v, \theta \in \{=, \leq, \geq\}$	No but convertible	No but convertible
$\text{support}(S) \geq \xi$	yes	no
$\text{support}(S) \leq \xi$	no	yes

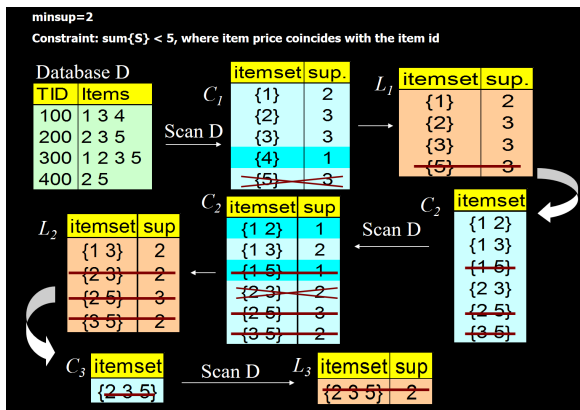
Apriori Algorithm + Antimonotone Constraint

Algorithm: apriori(D , minsup, C)

Input: A transactional database D , minsup, and an antimonotone constraint C .

Output: All the large itemsets in D that satisfy C .

- 1 $L_1 = \{ \text{large 1-itemsets that satisfy } C \}$
- 2 for ($k = 2; L_{k-1} \neq \emptyset; k++$) do
- 3 $C_k = \text{apriori-gen}(L_{k-1})$ // Generate candidate large k -itemsets
- 4 for all $t \in D$ do
- 5 for all $c \in C_k$ such that $c \in t$ do
- 6 $c.\text{count}++$
- 7 $L_k = \{ c \in C_k \mid c.\text{count} \geq \text{minsup and } C(c) = \text{true} \}$
- 8 return $\bigcup_k L_k$



Apriori Algorithm + Monotone Constraint

Algorithm: apriori(D , minsup, C)

Input: A transactional database D , minsup, and a monotone constraint C .

Output: All the large itemsets in D that satisfy C .

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1   $L_1 = \{ \text{large 1-itemsets} \}$ 
2  for ( $k = 2$ ;  $L_{k-1} \neq \emptyset$ ;  $k++$ ) do
3       $C_k = \text{apriori-gen}(L_{k-1})$     // Generate candidate large  $k$ -itemsets
4      for all  $t \in D$  do
5          for all  $c \in C_k$  such that  $c \in t$  do
6               $c.\text{count}++$ 
7       $L_k = \{c \in C_k \mid c.\text{count} \geq \text{minsup}\}$ 
8  return  $\{c \in \bigcup_k L_k \mid C(c) = \text{true or } C(d) = \text{true for some } d \subseteq c\}$ 
    
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minsup=2

Constraint: $\text{sum}\{S\} \geq 5$, where the item price coincides with the item id

Database D

TID	Items
100	1 3 4
200	2 3 5
300	1 2 3 5
400	2 5

C_1

itemset	sup.
{1}	2
{2}	3
{3}	3
{4}	1
{5}	3

L_1

itemset	sup.
{1}	2
{2}	3
{3}	3
{5}	3

L_2

itemset	sup
{1 3}	2
{2 3}	2
{2 5}	3
{3 5}	2

C_2

itemset	sup
{1 2}	1
{1 3}	2
{1 5}	1
{2 3}	2
{2 5}	3
{3 5}	2

C_2

itemset	sup
{1 2}	1
{1 3}	2
{1 5}	1
{2 3}	2
{2 5}	3
{3 5}	2

C_3

itemset	sup
{2 3 5}	2

L_3

itemset	sup
{2 3 5}	2

Not in the output, since they don't satisfy the constraint



FP Grow Algorithm + Monotone Constraint

Algorithm: FP-grow(*Tree*, α , *minsup*, **C**)

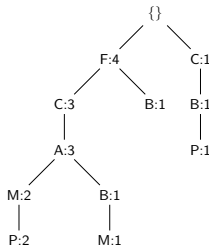
Input: A FP tree *Tree*, an itemset α , *minsup*, and a monotone constraint **C**.

Output: All the itemsets in *Tree* that end with α , have *minsup* and satisfy **C**.

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1  if C( $\alpha$ ) = true then
2      replace C with Ctrue      // Ctrue is a constraint that always returns true
3  for each item X in Tree do
4      output the itemset  $\beta = X \cup \alpha$  with support=X.count if C( $\beta$ ) = true
5      build the  $\beta$  conditional database and the corresponding FP tree Tree $\beta$ 
6      if Tree $\beta$  is not empty then call FP-grow(Tree $\beta$ ,  $\beta$ , minsup, C)
    
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Transaction id	Items bought
1	F, C, A, M, P
2	F, C, A, B, M
3	F, B
4	C, B, P
5	F, C, A, M, P



Item	Conditional database
F	-
C	F:3
A	FC:3
B	FCA:1, F:1, C:1
M	FCA:2, FCAB:1
P	FCAM:2, CB:1

FP Grow Algorithm + Antimonotone Constraint

Algorithm: FP-tree(D , $minsup$, C)

Input: A transactional database D , $minsup$, and an antimonotone constraint C .

Output: The FP tree for D , $minsup$ and C .

- 1 Count support for each item in D
- 2 Remove the infrequent items from the transactions in D
- 3 **Remove the items that do not satisfy C from the transactions in D**
- 4 Sort the items in each transaction in D in support descending order
- 5 Create a FP tree with a single node T with $T.name = NULL$
- 6 for each transaction $I \in D$ do
- 7 insert-tree(I , T)

FP Grow Algorithm + Antimonotone Constraint

Algorithm: FP-grow(*Tree*, α , *minsup*, **C**)

Input: A FP tree *Tree*, an itemset α , *minsup*, and an antimonotone constraint **C**.

Output: All the itemsets in *Tree* that end with α , have *minsup* and satisfy **C**.

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1  let  $\delta$  denote all the items in Tree
2  if  $C(\alpha \cup \delta) = \text{true}$  then
3      replace C with  $C_{\text{true}}$            //  $C_{\text{true}}$  is a constraint that always returns true
4  for each item X in Tree do
5      if  $C(X \cup \alpha) = \text{true}$  then
6          output the itemset  $\beta = X \cup \alpha$  with support=X.count
7          build the  $\beta$  conditional database and the corresponding FP tree Tree $_{\beta}$ 
8          if Tree $_{\beta}$  is not empty then call FP-grow(Tree $_{\beta}$ ,  $\beta$ , minsup, C)
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Item	Conditional database
F	-
C	F:3
A	FC:3
B	FCA:1, F:1, C:1
M	FCA:2, FCAB:1
P	FCAM:2, CB:1

M-conditional database

Tid	Items bought
1	F, C, A
2	F, C, A
3	F, C, A, B

After sorting

Tid	Items bought
1	F, C, A
2	F, C, A
3	F, C, A

Output FM and re-start the process for the FM-conditional database ?

Convertible Monotone and Antimonotone Constraint

- ▶ $avg(S) \leq v$ and $avg(S) \geq v$ are neither monotone nor antimonotone.
- ▶ A constraint C is **convertible monotone** when there exists an item order R such that for any itemset A respecting R we have that if $C(A) = true$ then $C(B) = true$ where B is any itemset respecting R and such that **A is a suffix of B** . For instance:
 - ▶ $avg(S) \geq v$ with respect to decreasing price order.
- ▶ A constraint C is **convertible antimonotone** when there exists an item order R such that for any itemset A respecting R we have that if $C(A) = true$ then $C(B) = true$ where B is any itemset respecting R and such that **B is a suffix of A** . For instance:
 - ▶ $avg(S) \geq v$ with respect to increasing price order.
- ▶ Alternatively, if $C(B) = false$ for some itemset B respecting R such that B is a suffix of A then $C(A) = false$.
- ▶ A constraint that is both convertible monotone and antimonotone is called strongly convertible.

Convertible Monotone and Antimonotone Constraints

Constraint	Convertible antimonotone	Convertible monotone	Strongly convertible
$\text{avg}(S) \leq, \geq v$	Yes	Yes	Yes
$\text{median}(S) \leq, \geq v$	Yes	Yes	Yes
$\text{sum}(S) \leq v$ (items could be of any value, $v \geq 0$)	Yes	No	No
$\text{sum}(S) \leq v$ (items could be of any value, $v \leq 0$)	No	Yes	No
$\text{sum}(S) \geq v$ (items could be of any value, $v \geq 0$)	No	Yes	No
$\text{sum}(S) \geq v$ (items could be of any value, $v \leq 0$)	Yes	No	No
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Summary

