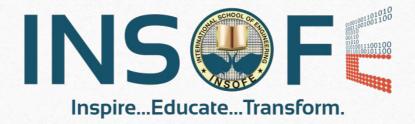
APRIORI ALGORITHM







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DEFINITION OF APRIORI ALGORITHM

- The Apriori Algorithm is an influential algorithm for mining frequent itemsets for boolean association rules.
- Apriori uses a "bottom up" approach, where frequent subsets are extended one item at a time (a step known as *candidate generation*, and groups of candidates are tested against the data.
- Apriori is designed to operate on database containing transactions (for example, collections of items bought by customers, or details of a website frequentation).







KEY CONCEPTS

• Frequent Itemsets: All the sets which contain the item with the minimum support (denoted by for itemset).





Apriori Property: Any subset of frequent itemset must be frequent.

• Join Operation: To find, a set of candidate k-itemsets is generated by joining with itself.



STEPS TO PERFORM APRIORI **ALGORITHM**

STEP 1

Scan the transaction data base to get the support of S each 1-itemset, compare S with min_sup, and get a support of 1-itemsets, L1

STEP 2

Use join to generate a set of candidate kitemsets. And use Apriori property to prune the unfrequented k-itemsets from this set.

STEP 6

For every nonempty subset s of 1, output the rule "s=>(1-s)" if confidence C of the rule "s=>(1-s)" (=support s of 1/support S of s)' min_conf

STEP 3

Scan the transaction database to get the support S of each candidate k-itemset in the find set, compare S with min_sup, and get a set of frequent k-itemsets

STEP 4 The candidate set = Null

YES

STEP 5

For each frequent itemset 1, generate all nonempty subsets of 1





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