

# **Section 2**

## **Basic Metrics**

# **1. Support**

## Definition and Formula

- Indication of how frequently an itemset appear in a dataset

$$\text{Support}(X) = \frac{\text{freq}(X)}{N}$$

The number of transactions that contain X

The total number of transactions

- Very low support → Not enough data for mining

## Example: Support({bread, milk})

$Support(\{bread, milk\})$

$$= \frac{freq(\{bread, milk\})}{N}$$

$$= \frac{3}{6}$$

$$= 0.5$$

T1	cheese, ham
T2	bread, milk
T3	bread, milk, ham
T4	bread, cheese, ham
T5	milk
T6	bread, milk

## Example: Support(cheese)

$Support(\{cheese\})$

$$= \frac{freq(\{cheese\})}{N}$$

$$= \frac{2}{6}$$

$$= 0.33$$

T1	cheese, ham
T2	bread, milk
T3	bread, milk, ham
T4	bread, cheese, ham
T5	milk
T6	bread, milk

# Weakness of Support

- Among the itemsets with two items, {water, bread} has the highest support.

- This information is NOT useful.

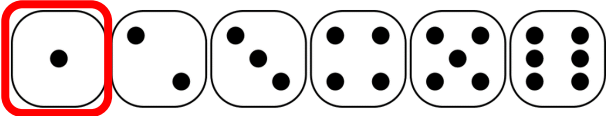
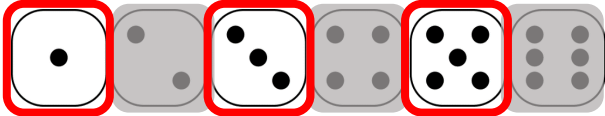
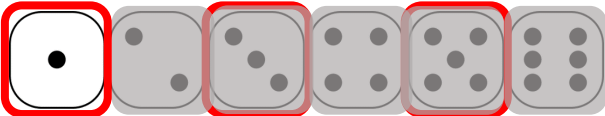
Because most transactions contain water and bread

- By using **conditional probability**, we can deal with this problem.

T1	water, bread
T2	water, bread, cookie
T3	water, yogurt
T4	water, bread, ham
T5	water, bread, ham, butter
T6	water, bread, jam

# **2. Basic Math: Conditional Probability**

# Roll a Dice

- Probability of getting a *1*:   $= \frac{1}{6} = 0.17$
- Probability of getting an odd number, and it is a *1*.
  - Getting an odd number: 
  - And it is a *1*:   $= \frac{1}{3} = 0.33$



# Conditional Probability

**Definition:** Probability of an event A occurring given that another event B has already occurred.

$$P(A \mid B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

$P(B)$ : Probability of an event B occurring

$P(A \cap B)$ : Probability of both event A and B occurring

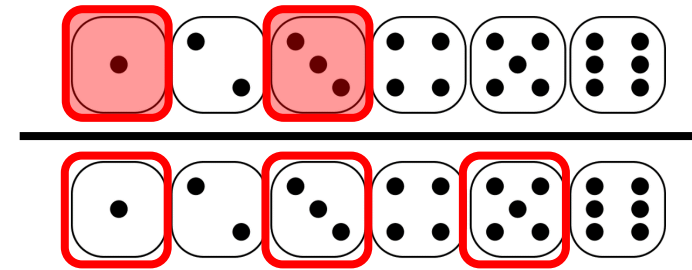
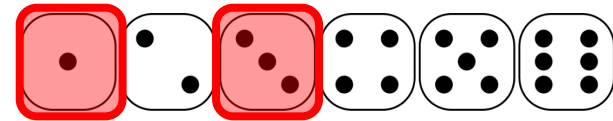
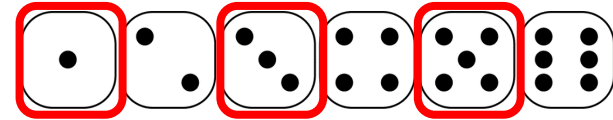
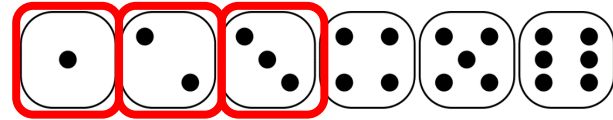
## Another Example: Roll a Dice

$$P(A): 3 \text{ or less} = 0.5$$

$$P(B): \text{Odd number} = 0.5$$

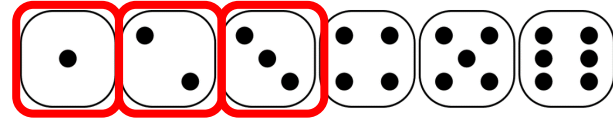
$$P(A \cap B) = 0.33$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A | B) &= \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \\ &= \frac{0.33}{0.5} = 0.67 \end{aligned}$$

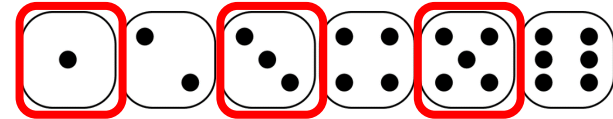


## Another Example: Roll a Dice —by frequency

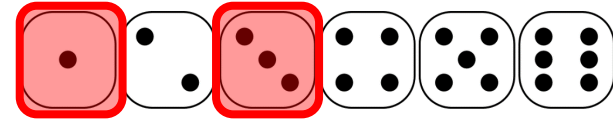
$$\text{freq}(A) = 3$$



$$\text{freq}(B) = 3$$

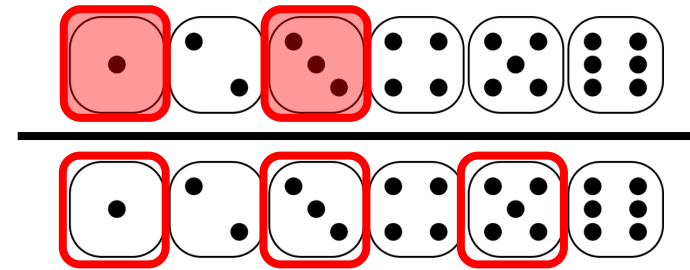


$$\text{freq}(A, B) = 2$$



$$P(A \mid B) = \frac{\text{freq}(A, B)}{\text{freq}(B)}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} = 0.67$$



# **3. Confidence**

# Confidence

**Definition:** The probability of itemset Y (consequent) appearing, given that itemset X (antecedent) has already appeared.

$$P(Y | X)$$

$$\textit{Confidence}(X \rightarrow Y) = \frac{\textit{freq}(X, Y)}{\textit{freq}(X)}$$

The number of transactions that contains both X and Y

The number of transactions that contains X

## Example: Confidence ( $\{water\} \rightarrow \{ham\}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} &Confidence(\{water\} \rightarrow \{ham\}) \\ &= \frac{freq(water, ham)}{freq(water)} = \frac{2}{6} = 0.33 \end{aligned}$$

Water is purchased in all transactions.

→ Conditioning with water is meaningless.

T1	water, bread
T2	water, bread, cookie
T3	water, yogurt
T4	water, bread, ham
T5	water, bread, ham, butter
T6	water, bread, jam

## Example: Confidence ( $\{bread\} \rightarrow \{ham\}$ )

$Confidence(\{bread\} \rightarrow \{ham\})$

$$= \frac{freq(bread, ham)}{freq(bread)}$$

$$= \frac{2}{4}$$

$$= 0.5$$

T1	water, bread
T2	water, bread, cookie
T3	water, yogurt
T4	water, bread, ham
T5	water, bread, ham, butter
T6	water, bread, jam

## Weakness of Confidence

$$\textit{Confidence}(X \rightarrow Y) = \frac{\textit{freq}(X \circ Y)}{\textit{freq}(X)}$$



When the frequency of Y is very high, the confidence will be high irrespective of actual association.



## Example: Weakness of Confidence

$Confidence(detergent \rightarrow water)$

$$= \frac{freq(detergent, water)}{freq(detergent)}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} = 0.67$$

Is the co-occurrence high ?

T1	bread, butter, water
T2	aluminum foil, towel
T3	milk, beef, water
T4	detergent, chicken, water
T5	bread, ham, butter, water
T6	bread, mik, water
T7	detergent, water
T8	bread, bacon, egg, water
T9	detergent, cookie
T10	potato chips, coffee

## Example: Weakness of Confidence (Continued)

$Confidence(water \rightarrow detergent)$

$$= \frac{freq(water, detergent)}{freq(water)}$$

$$= \frac{2}{7} = 0.29$$

Just swapping lowered the value of confidence!

T1	bread, butter, water
T2	aluminum foil, towel
T3	milk, beef, water
T4	detergent, chicken, water
T5	bread, ham, butter, water
T6	bread, mik, water
T7	detergent, water
T8	bread, bacon, egg, water
T9	detergent, cookie
T10	potato chips, coffee

# 4. Lift

# Lift

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lift}(X \rightarrow Y) &= \frac{\text{freq}(X, Y)}{\text{freq}(X)} \cdot \frac{N}{\text{freq}(Y)} \\ &= \text{Confidence}(X \rightarrow Y) \cdot \frac{1}{\text{Support}(Y)} \\ &= \frac{\text{Confidence}(X \rightarrow Y)}{\text{Support}(Y)} \end{aligned}$$

## Meaning of Lift

$$\text{Lift}(X \rightarrow Y) = \frac{\text{Confidence}(X \rightarrow Y)}{\text{Support}(Y)} = \frac{P(Y|X)}{P(Y)}$$

$$\text{Lift}(X \rightarrow Y) > 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad P(Y|X) > P(Y)$$



The occurrence of X increased the probability of occurrence of Y

## Example: Roll a Dice

$X_1$ : *Odd number (Antecedent 1)*

$X_2$ : *Divisor of 60 (Antecedent 2)*

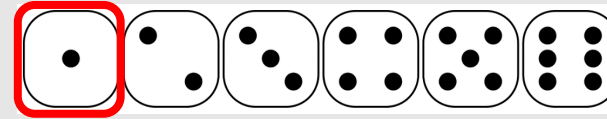
$Y$ : *1 (Consequent)*

$$P(Y) = \frac{1}{6}$$

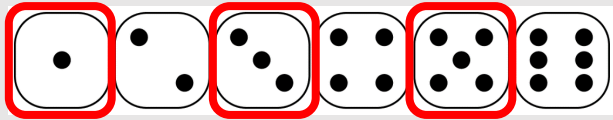
Do  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  increase the possibility of  $Y$  occurring?

## Example: Roll a Dice (Continued)

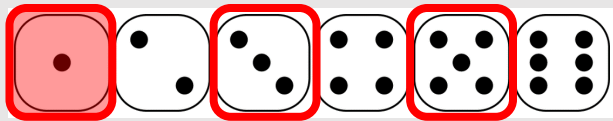
*Hit a 1:  $1/6$*



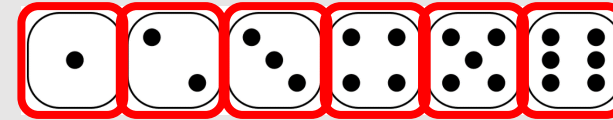
$X_1$ : *Hit an odd number*



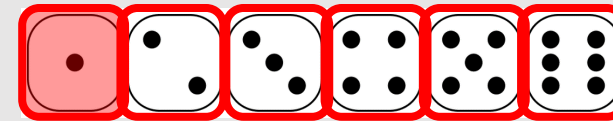
$Y$ : *And it is a 1:  $1/3$*



$X_2$ : *Hit a divisory of 60*



$Y$ : *And it is a 1:  $1/6$*



$X_1$  increased the probability of the occurrence of  $Y$ , but  $X_2$  does not.

## Example: Lift({detergent} → {water})

$$\text{Lift}(X \rightarrow Y) = \frac{\text{freq}(X, Y)}{\text{freq}(X)} \cdot \frac{1}{\text{Support}(Y)}$$



$$\frac{\text{freq}(\text{detergent}, \text{water})}{\text{freq}(\text{detergent})} \times \frac{1}{\text{Support}(\text{water})}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{0.7} = \frac{2}{2.1} = 0.95$$

T1	bread, butter, water
T2	aluminum foil, towel
T3	milk, beef, water
T4	detergent, chicken, water
T5	bread, ham, butter, water
T6	bread, mik, water
T7	detergent, water
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# **5. Comprehension**

## Question. What are the ranges of each metric?

- Support
- Confidence
- Lift

# Answer

$$\text{Support}(X) = \frac{\text{freq}(X)}{N} \begin{array}{l} \text{--- } 0 \sim N \\ \text{--- } N \end{array} \Rightarrow \left[ \frac{0}{N}, \frac{N}{N} \right] \Rightarrow [0, 1]$$

$$\text{Confidence}(X \rightarrow Y) = \frac{\text{freq}(X, Y)}{\text{freq}(X)} \begin{array}{l} \text{--- } 0 \sim K \\ \text{--- } K \end{array} \Rightarrow \left[ \frac{0}{K}, \frac{K}{K} \right] \Rightarrow [0, 1]$$

$$\text{Lift}(X \rightarrow Y) = \frac{\text{Confidence}(X, X)}{\text{Support}(X)} \begin{array}{l} \text{--- } 0 \sim 1 \\ \text{--- } 0 \sim 1 \end{array} \Rightarrow \left[ \frac{0}{1}, \frac{1}{0} \right] \Rightarrow [0, \infty]$$

# Transformation of Formula

- $\text{Support}(X) = \frac{\text{freq}(X)}{N}$
- $\text{Confidence}(X \rightarrow Y) = \frac{\text{freq}(X, Y)}{\text{freq}(X)} = \frac{\text{freq}(X, Y)}{N} \cdot \frac{N}{\text{freq}(X)} = \frac{\text{Support}(X \& Y)}{\text{Support}(X)}$   
*Note: In the original image, the fraction  $\frac{\text{freq}(X, Y)}{N}$  is highlighted with a red box and  $\frac{N}{\text{freq}(X)}$  is highlighted with a green box. Above the green box is the text  $\text{Support}(X \& Y) \cdot \frac{1}{\text{Support}(X)}$  in red and green respectively.*
- $\text{Lift}(X \rightarrow Y) = \frac{\text{Confidence}(X \rightarrow Y)}{\text{Support}(Y)} = \frac{\text{Support}(X \& Y)}{\text{Support}(X)} \cdot \frac{1}{\text{Support}(Y)}$   
$$= \frac{\text{Support}(X \& Y)}{\text{Support}(X) \cdot \text{Support}(Y)}$$

# **6. Summary**

# Summary

- Association rule mining is used to find **co-occurrence**.
- We have metrics to quantify associations.
- The number of association rules can be enormous.
- So we use **apriori algorithm** to identify important rules.