

Lab 3 – Pattern & Association Mining #1  
*Data Mining, Spring 2018*

## *Today's Lab: Patterns!*

# Pattern & Association Mining #1

- Today you will be searching for frequent patterns in some simple transactional data.
- You will implement the apriori algorithm to accomplish this.
  - Page 248-254 (chapter 6.2.1-6.2.2) in the book.
- A simple code structure is provided to help you get started.

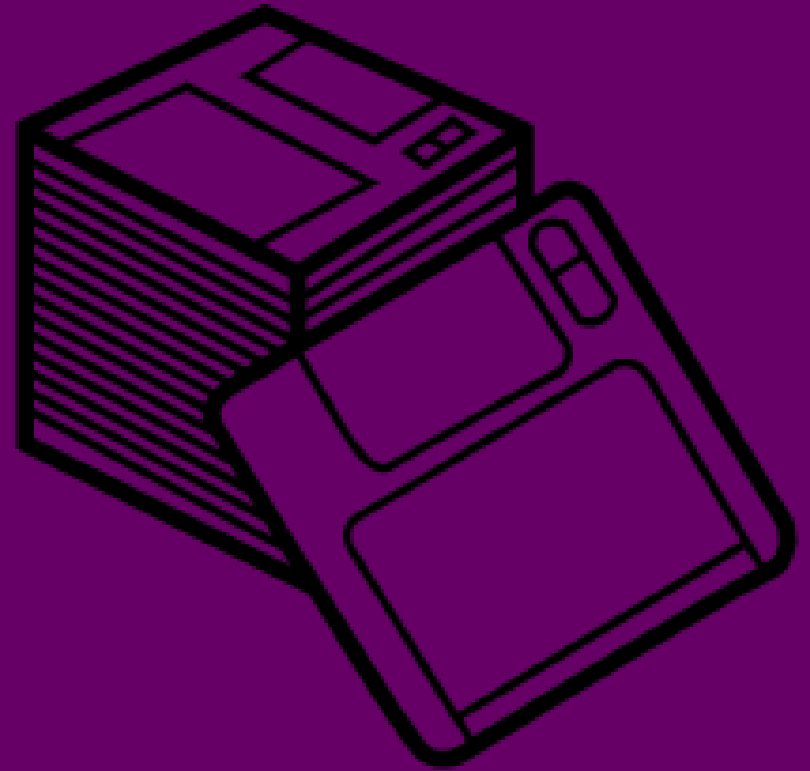
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# Code Provided

- Two classes
  - Apriori
  - ItemSet
- The ItemSet class is used to encapsulate information of sets of transaction items constructed during the algorithm.
- The Apriori class is where you should implement the algorithm.
  - Methods
    - Main
    - apriori
    - generateFrequentItemSets
    - joinSets
    - generateFrequentItemSetsLevel1
    - countSupport
- Code provided makes use of the HashTable java data structure, which is used to store <Key, Value> pairs. Values can then be retrieved based on their key. Is in this instance used to store <ItemSet, Integer> pairs, where the integer is used to store the support value for the item set.

# The Data

- The transactional data is simple and is only made up of integers
- See it as different records of sales, where each number is an item with id=1, id=2 and so on.
- The data set is provided in the code as the `TRANSACTIONS` two-dimensional integer array in the `Apriori` class.
- Also included is the two-dimensional integer array `BOOK_TRANSACTIONS` in the `Apriori` class
  - Has the data the book uses in its example
  - Use this to check your implementation



# Lab Overview

- First take a look at the code provided.
- Then start working on your apriori implementation
  - Suggested order of implementation of methods in the Apriori class:
    - countSupport
    - joinSets
    - generateFrequentItemSetsLevel1
    - generateFrequentItemSets
    - apriori
    - main

*Thanks for listening!*