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Recap: FP Grow Algorithm

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

Input: A transactional database D , and the minimum support $minsup$.

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

- 1 Count support for each item in D
- 2 Remove the infrequent items from the transactions in D
- 3 Sort the items in each transaction in D in support descending order
- 4 Create a FP tree with a single node T with $T.name = NULL$
- 5 for each transaction $I \in D$ do
- 6 insert-tree(I , T)

Algorithm: insert-tree(I_1, \dots, I_m, T)

Input: An itemset I_1, \dots, I_m , and a node T in the FP tree.

Output: Modified FP tree.

- 1 if T has a child N such that $N.name = I_1.name$ then
- 2 $N.count + +$
- 3 else
- 4 create a new child N of T with $N.name = I_1.name$ and $N.count = 1$
- 5 if $m > 1$ then
- 6 insert-tree (I_2, \dots, I_m, N)

Recap: FP Grow Algorithm

- To mine the FP tree $Tree$, call $FP\text{-}grow(Tree, \text{NULL}, \text{minsup})$.

Algorithm: $FP\text{-}grow(Tree, \alpha, \text{minsup})$

Input: A FP tree $Tree$, an itemset α , and the minimum support minsup .

Output: All the itemsets in $Tree$ that end with α and have minsup .

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1  for each item  $X$  in  $Tree$  do
2      output the itemset  $\beta = X \cup \alpha$  with  $\text{support} = X.\text{count}$ 
3      build the  $\beta$  conditional database and the corresponding FP tree  $Tree_\beta$ 
4      if  $Tree_\beta$  is not empty then call  $FP\text{-}grow(Tree_\beta, \beta, \text{minsup})$ 
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- The algorithm above can be made more efficient by adding the lines below.

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0.1  if  $Tree$  has a single branch then
0.2      for each combination  $\beta$  of the nodes in the branch do
0.3          output the itemset  $\beta \cup \alpha$  with  $\text{support} = \min_{X \in \beta} X.\text{count}$ 
0.4  else
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- The FP grow algorithm is correct.

- Run the FP grow algorithm on the database below with minsup 2.

Tid	Items
1	A, B, E
2	B, D
3	B, C
4	A, B, D
5	A, C
6	B, C
7	A, C
8	A, B, C, E
9	A, B, C

- Show the execution details (i.e. FP tree construction, conditional databases, recursive calls), not just the frequent itemsets found.

Monotone and Antimonotone Constraints

- A constraint is a function that returns **true** or **false** for every itemset.
- It tells us if the itemset satisfies the constraint or not.
 - 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 a given value.
 - The most expensive item in the itemset cost less than a given value.
 - The itemset contains a specific value.
 - The itemset contains exactly a certain number of items.
- A constraint C is monotone when for every itemset A and B such that $A \subseteq B$, if $C(A) = \text{true}$ then $C(B) = \text{true}$.
 - The itemset contains a certain item.
- A constraint C is antimonotone when for every itemset A and B such that $A \subseteq B$, if $C(B) = \text{true}$ then $C(A) = \text{true}$.
 - The support of the itemset is equal or greater than a given value.
- Alternatively, C is antimonotone when for every itemset A and B such that $A \subseteq B$, if $C(A) = \text{false}$ then $C(B) = \text{false}$.
- Note that the **apriori property** applies to every antimonotone constrain, i.e. no need to check the constraint for supersets of A if $C(A) = \text{false}$.

Examples of Monotone and Antimonotone Constraints

- Here S is the set of prices in the itemset and v is a given values.
- Examples of monotone constraints:
 - $\text{sum}(S) \geq v$
 - $\text{min}(S) \leq v$
 - $\text{range}(S) \geq v$
- Examples of antimonotone constraints:
 - $\text{sum}(S) \leq v$
 - $\text{max}(S) \leq v$
 - $\text{range}(S) \leq v$

Examples of 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
$\text{support}(S) \geq v$	yes	no
$\text{support}(S) \leq v$	no	yes

Algorithm: apriori(D , $minsup$, C)

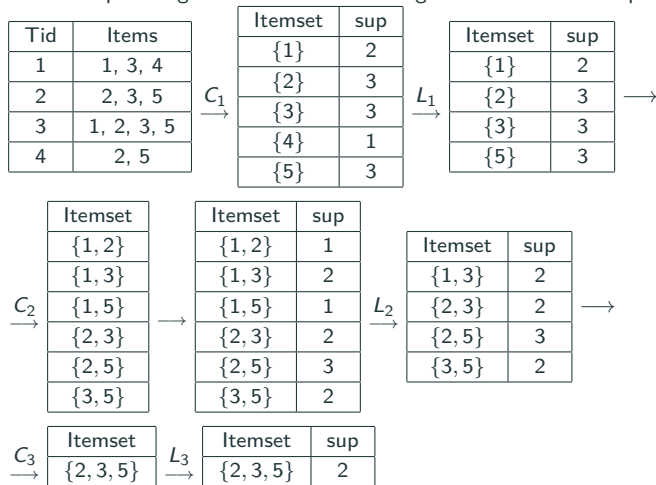
Input: A transactional database D , $minsup$, and an antimonotone constraint C .

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

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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               $c.count++$ 
7       $L_k = \{c \in C_k \mid c.count \geq minsup \text{ and } C(c)=true\}$ 
8  return  $\bigcup_k L_k$ 
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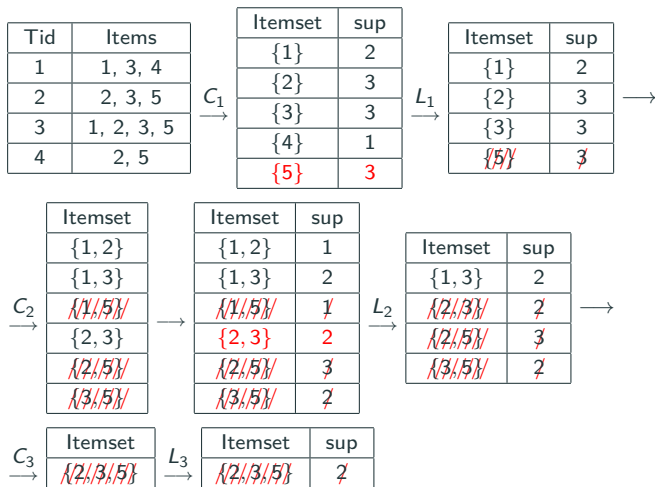
Apriori Algorithm with Antimonotone Constraint

Run the Apriori algorithm with the following database with minsup 2.



Apriori Algorithm with Antimonotone Constraint

Run the Apriori algorithm with the following database with minsup 2 and constraint $\text{sum}(S) < 5$ where the item price coincides with the item id.



Algorithm: apriori(D , $minsup$, C)

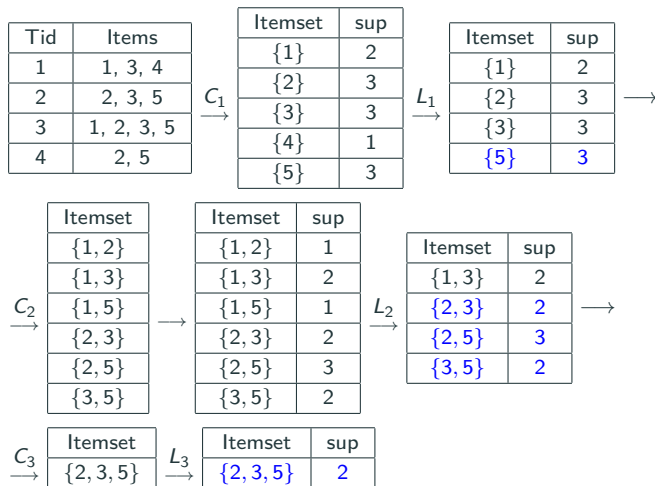
Input: A transactional database D , $minsup$, and a monotone constraint C .

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               $c.count++$ 
7       $L_k = \{c \in C_k \mid c.count \geq minsup\}$ 
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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Apriori Algorithm with Antimonotone Constraint

Run the Apriori algorithm with the following database with minsup 2 and constraint $\text{sum}(S) \geq 5$ where the item price coincides with the item id.



Algorithm: FP-grow($Tree, \alpha, minsup, C$)

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

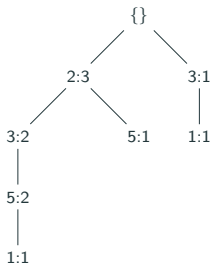
Output: All the itemsets in $Tree$ that end with α , have $minsup$ and satisfy C .

- 1 **if** $C(\alpha) = true$ **then**
- 2 **replace** C **with** C_{true} // C_{true} 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 β conditional database and the corresponding FP tree $Tree_{\beta}$
- 6 **if** $Tree_{\beta}$ is not empty **then** call FP-grow($Tree_{\beta}, \beta, minsup, C$)

FP Grow Algorithm with Monotone Constraint

Run the FP Grow algorithm with the following database with minsup 2 and constraint $\text{sum}(S) \geq 5$ where the item price coincides with the item id.

Tid	Items
1	1, 3, 4
2	2, 3, 5
3	1, 2, 3, 5
4	2, 5



Item	Conditional database
2	-
3	2:2
5	2:1, 2,3:2
1	3:1, 2,3,5:1

5-conditional database

Tid	Items
1	2
2	2, 3
3	2, 3

Now $C(5) = \text{true}$ so we replace C with C_{true} .

FP Grow Algorithm with 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)

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

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

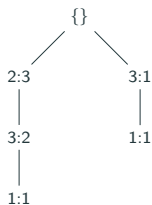
Output: All the itemsets in $Tree$ that end with α , have $minsup$ and satisfy C .

- 1 **let δ denote all the items in $Tree$**
- 2 **if $C(\alpha \cup \delta) = true$ then**
- 3 **replace C with C_{true} // C_{true} is a constraint that always returns true**
- 4 for each item X in $Tree$ do
- 5 **if $C(X \cup \alpha) = true$ then**
- 6 output the itemset $\beta = X \cup \alpha$ with support= $X.count$
- 7 build the β conditional database and the corresponding FP tree $Tree_\beta$
- 8 if $Tree_\beta$ is not empty then call FP-grow($Tree_\beta$, β , $minsup$, C)

FP Grow Algorithm with Antimonotone Constraint

Run the FP Grow algorithm with the following database with $\text{minsup} = 2$ and constraint $\text{sum}(S) < 5$ where the item price coincides with the item id.

Tid	Items
1	1, 3, 4
2	2, 3, 5
3	1, 2, 3, 5
4	2, 5



Item	Conditional database
2	-
3	2:2
1	3:1, 2,3:1

3-conditional database

Tid	Items
1	2
2	2

Now $C(3 \cup 2) = \text{true}$ so we replace C with C_{true} .

Convertible Monotone and Antimonotone Constraint

- We saw that $\text{avg}(S) \leq v$ and $\text{avg} \geq v$ was neither monotone nor antimonotone.
- A constraint C is convertible monotone when there exists an item order R such that for every itemsets A and B respecting R such that A is a suffix of B , if $C(A) = \text{true}$ then $C(B) = \text{true}$.
 - $\text{avg}(S) \geq v$ with respect to decreasing price order.
- A constraint C is convertible antimonotone when there exists an item order R such that for every itemsets A and B respecting R such that B is a suffix for A , if $C(A) = \text{true}$ then $C(B) = \text{true}$.
 - $\text{avg}(S) \geq v$ with respect to increasing price order.
- Alternatively, C is convertible antimonotone when there exists an item order R such that for every itemsets A and B respecting R such that B is a suffix for A , if $C(B) = \text{false}$ then $C(A) = \text{false}$.
- 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
$\text{sum}(S) \leq v^1, v \geq 0$	Yes	No	No
$\text{sum}(S) \leq v^1, v \leq 0$	No	Yes	No
$\text{sum}(S) \geq v^1, v \geq 0$	No	Yes	No
$\text{sum}(S) \geq v^1, v \leq 0$	Yes	No	No
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots

¹For the sum constraints the prices are of any value (negative or positive)

- Constraints can be added to the mining process to find itemsets that satisfy a certain constraint.
- Constraints can be **antimonotone**, **monotone**, **convertible** or **inconvertible**
- Depending on the type of constraint different modification to the mining algorithms are made.