Example : Apriori Algorithm

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Transactional data for an AllElectronics branch.

TID	List of item JDs
T100	I1, I2, I5
T200	I2, I4
T300	12, 13
T400	I1, I2, I4
T500	I1, I3
T600	I2, I3
T700	I1, I3
T800	11, 12, 13, 15
T900	11, 12, 13

Minimum Support Count = 2

1. In the first iteration of the algorithm, each item is a member of the set of candidate 1-itemsets, C1. The algorithm simply scans all of the transactions in order to count the number of occurrences of each item

C1={I1: , I2: , I3: , I4: , I5: }

2. The minimum support count is 2, that is, min_sup = 2

L1={I1: , I2: , I3: , I4: , I5: }



3. The algorithm uses the join L1 on L1 to generate a candidate set of 2-itemsets, C2

C2 =

4. The set of frequent 2-itemsets, L2, is then determined, consisting of those candidate 2-itemsets in C2 having minimum support

L2= {

5.



6. The transactions in D are scanned in order to determine L3, consisting of those candidate 3-itemsets in C3 having minimum support

- (a) Join: $C_3 = L_2 \bowtie L_2 = \{\{I1, I2\}, \{I1, I3\}, \{I1, I5\}, \{I2, I3\}, \{I2, I4\}, \{I2, I5\}\} \bowtie \{\{I1, I2\}, \{I1, I3\}, \{I1, I5\}, \{I2, I3\}, \{I2, I4\}, \{I2, I5\}\} = \{\{I1, I2, I3\}, \{I1, I2, I5\}, \{I1, I3, I5\}, \{I2, I3, I4\}, \{I2, I3, I5\}, \{I2, I4, I5\}\}.$
- (b) Prune using the Apriori property: All nonempty subsets of a frequent itemset must also be frequent. Do any of the candidates have a subset that is not frequent?
 - The 2-item subsets of $\{11, 12, 13\}$ are $\{11, 12\}$, $\{11, 13\}$, and $\{12, 13\}$. All 2-item subsets of $\{11, 12, 13\}$ are members of L_2 . Therefore, keep $\{11, 12, 13\}$ in C_3 .
 - The 2-item subsets of {I1, I2, I5} are {I1, I2}, {I1, I5}, and {I2, I5}. All 2-item subsets of {I1, I2, I5} are members of L_2 . Therefore, keep {I1, I2, I5} in C_3 .
 - The 2-item subsets of $\{11, 13, 15\}$ are $\{11, 13\}$, $\{11, 15\}$, and $\{13, 15\}$. $\{13, 15\}$ is not a member of L_2 , and so it is not frequent. Therefore, remove $\{11, 13, 15\}$ from C_3 .
 - The 2-item subsets of $\{I2, I3, I4\}$ are $\{I2, I3\}$, $\{I2, I4\}$, and $\{I3, I4\}$. $\{I3, I4\}$ is not a member of L_2 , and so it is not frequent. Therefore, remove $\{I2, I3, I4\}$ from C_3 .
 - The 2-item subsets of $\{I2, I3, I5\}$ are $\{I2, I3\}$, $\{I2, I5\}$, and $\{I3, I5\}$. $\{I3, I5\}$ is not a member of L_2 , and so it is not frequent. Therefore, remove $\{I2, I3, I5\}$ from C_3 .
 - The 2-item subsets of $\{12, 14, 15\}$ are $\{12, 14\}$, $\{12, 15\}$, and $\{14, 15\}$. $\{14, 15\}$ is not a member of L_2 , and so it is not frequent. Therefore, remove $\{12, 14, 15\}$ from C_3 .
- (c) Therefore, $C_3 = \{\{I1, I2, I3\}, \{I1, I2, I5\}\}$ after pruning.

L3 = { }

C4 = empty set. Stop the Process

Question:

A database has five transactions. Let $min_sup = 60\%$ and $min_conf = 80\%$.

TID	items_bought
T100	$\{M, O, N, K, E, Y\}$
T200	$\{D, O, N, K, E, Y\}$
T300	$\{M, A, K, E\}$
T400	$\{M, U, C, K, Y\}$
T500	$\{C, O, O, K, I, E\}$

Find all frequent itemsets using Apriori