

# Fundamental Data Mining Algorithms

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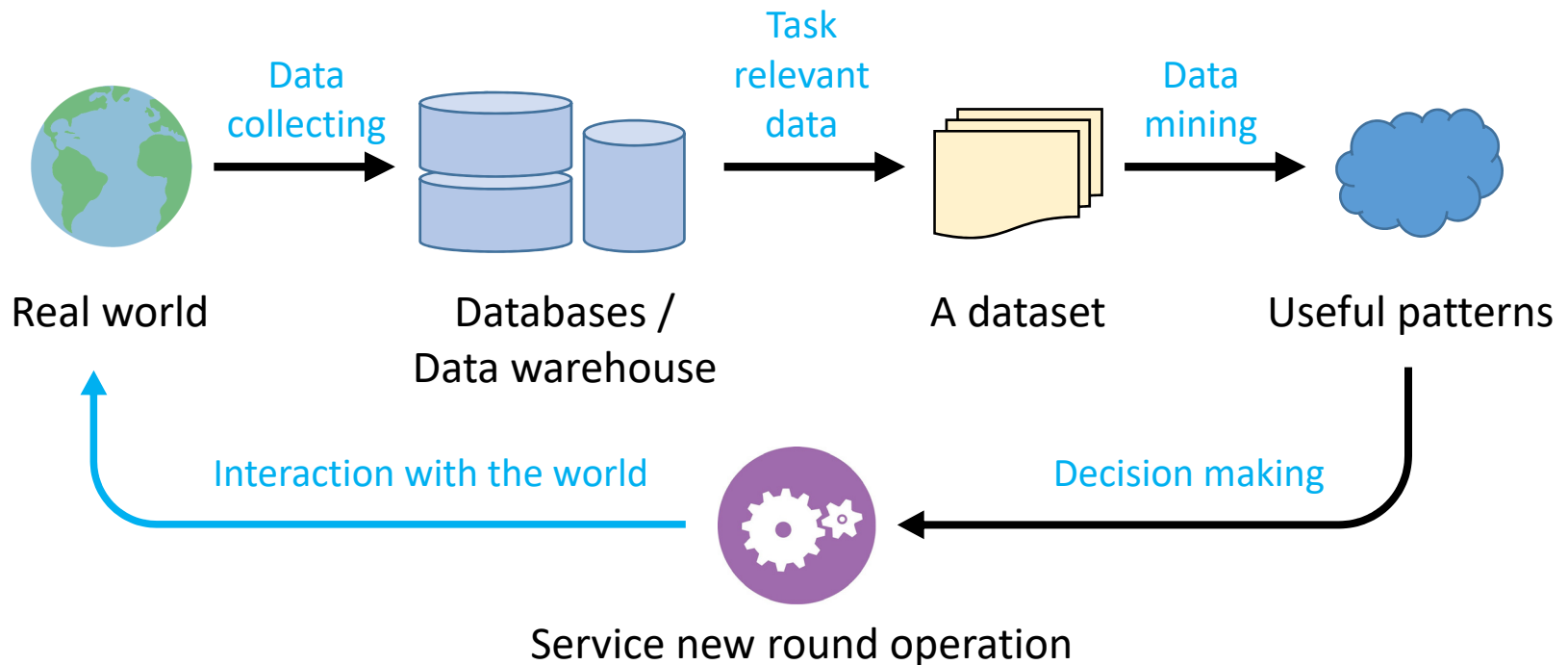
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# What is Data Mining?

- Data mining is about the extraction of **non-trivial, implicit, previously unknown and potentially useful** principles, patterns or knowledge from **massive amount** of data.
- Data Science is the subject concerned with the scientific methodology to properly, effectively and efficiently perform data mining
  - an interdisciplinary field about scientific methods, processes, and systems

REVIEW

# A Typical Data Mining Process



- Data mining plays a key role of enabling and improving the various data services in the world
- Note that the (improved) data services would then change the world data, which would in turn change the data to mine

## REVIEW

# An Example in User Behavior Modeling

Interest	Gender	Age	BBC Sports	PubMed	Bloomberg Business	Spotify
Finance	Male	29	Yes	No	Yes	No
Sports	Male	21	Yes	No	No	Yes
Medicine	Female	32	No	Yes	No	No
Music	Female	25	No	No	No	Yes
Medicine	Male	40	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

Expensive data

Cheap data

- A 7-field record data
  - 3 fields of data that are expensive to obtain
    - Interest, gender, age collected by user registration information or questionnaires
  - 4 fields of data that are easy or cheap to obtain
    - Raw data of whether the user has visited a particular website during the last two weeks, as recorded by the website log

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- **Deterministic view:** fit a function

$$\text{Age} = f(\text{Browsing}=\text{BBC Sports}, \text{Bloomberg Business})$$

- **Probabilistic view:** fit a joint data distribution

$$p(\text{Interest}=\text{Finance} \mid \text{Browsing}=\text{BBC Sports}, \text{Bloomberg Business})$$

$$p(\text{Gender}=\text{Male} \mid \text{Browsing}=\text{BBC Sports}, \text{Bloomberg Business})$$

# Content of This Lecture

Prediction  $X \Rightarrow Y$

- Frequent patterns and association rule mining
  - Apriori
  - FP-Growth algorithms
- Neighborhood methods
  - K-nearest neighbors

# Frequent Patterns and Association Rule Mining

This part are mostly based on Prof. Jiawei Han's book and lectures

[http://hanj.cs.illinois.edu/bk3/bk3\\_slidesindex.htm](http://hanj.cs.illinois.edu/bk3/bk3_slidesindex.htm)

<https://wiki.cites.illinois.edu/wiki/display/cs512/Lectures>

## REVIEW

# A DM Use Case: Frequent Item Set Mining



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Some intuitive patterns:

{milk, bread, butter}  
{onion, potatoes, beef}

Some non-intuitive ones:

{diaper, beer}



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$\{\text{milk, bread}\} \Rightarrow \{\text{butter}\}$   
 $\{\text{onion, potatoes}\} \Rightarrow \{\text{burger}\}$

Some non-intuitive ones:

$\{\text{diaper}\} \Rightarrow \{\text{beer}\}$

# Frequent Pattern and Association Rules

- **Frequent pattern**: a pattern (a set of items, subsequences, substructures, etc.) that occurs frequently in a data set
- **Association rule**:
  - Let  $I = \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m\}$  be a set of  $m$  items
  - Let  $T = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n\}$  be a set of transactions that each  $t_i \subseteq I$
  - An association rule is a relation as
$$X \rightarrow Y, \text{ where } X, Y \subset I \text{ and } X \cap Y = \emptyset$$
  - Here  $X$  and  $Y$  are itemsets, could be regarded as patterns
- First proposed by Agrawal, Imielinski, and Swami in the context of **frequent itemsets** and **association rule mining**
  - R. Agrawal, T. Imielinski, and A. Swami. Mining association rules between sets of items in large databases. SIGMOD'93

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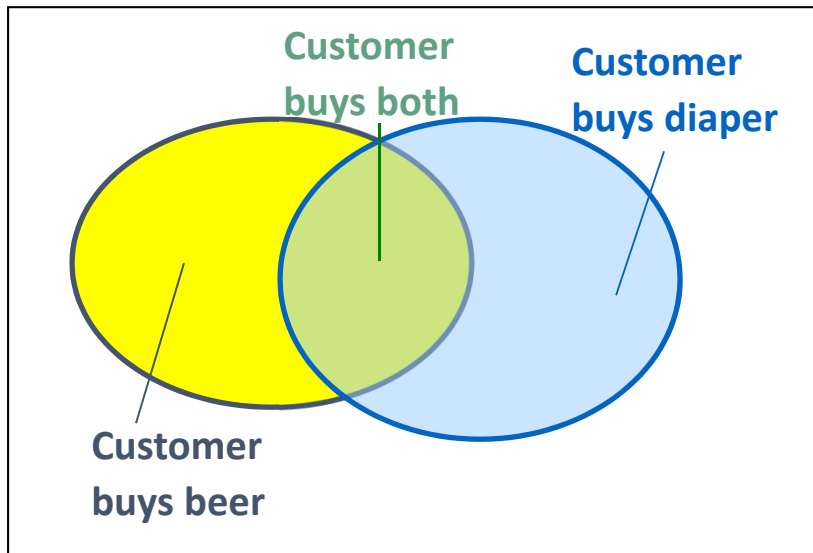
- Motivation: Finding inherent regularities in data
  - What products were often purchased together?— Beer and diapers?!
  - What are the subsequent purchases after buying a PC?
  - What kinds of DNA are sensitive to this new drug?
  - Can we automatically classify web documents?
- Applications
  - Basket data analysis, cross-marketing, catalog design, sale campaign analysis, Web log (click stream) analysis, and DNA sequence analysis.

# Why Is Freq. Pattern Mining Important?

- Freq. pattern: An intrinsic and important property of datasets
- Foundation for many essential data mining tasks
  - Association, correlation, and causality analysis
  - Sequential, structural (e.g., sub-graph) patterns
  - Pattern analysis in spatiotemporal, multimedia, time-series, and stream data
  - Classification: discriminative, frequent pattern analysis
  - Cluster analysis: frequent pattern-based clustering
  - Data warehousing: iceberg cube and cube-gradient
  - Semantic data compression: fascicles
  - Broad applications

# Basic Concepts: Frequent Patterns

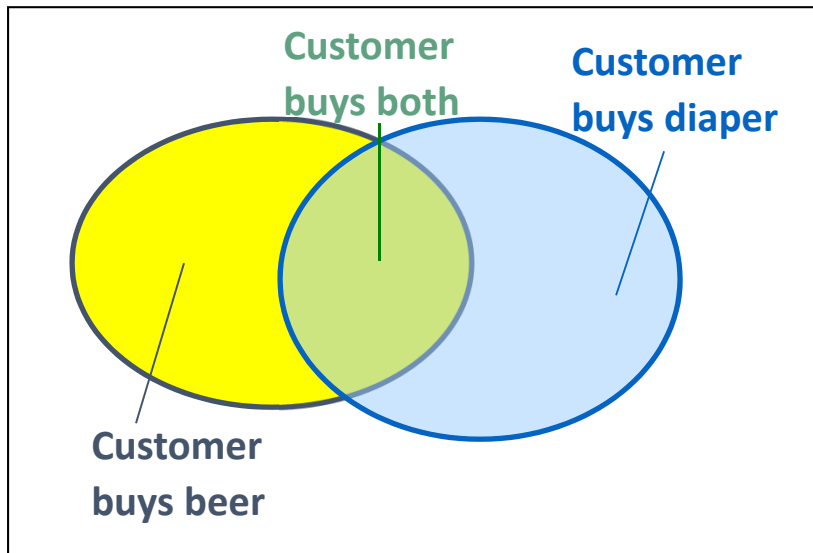
Tid	Items bought
1	Beer, Nuts, Diaper
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3	Beer, Diaper, Eggs
4	Nuts, Eggs, Milk
5	Nuts, Coffee, Diaper, Eggs, Milk



- **itemset**: A set of one or more items
- **k-itemset**  $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$
- **(absolute) support**, or, support count of  $X$ : Frequency or occurrence of an itemset  $X$
- **(relative) support**,  $s$ , is the fraction of transactions that contain  $X$  (i.e., the probability that a transaction contains  $X$ )
- An itemset  $X$  is **frequent** if  $X$ 's support is no less than a **minsup** threshold

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- Find all the rules  $X \rightarrow Y$  with minimum support and confidence

- support,  $s$ , probability that a transaction contains  $X \cup Y$

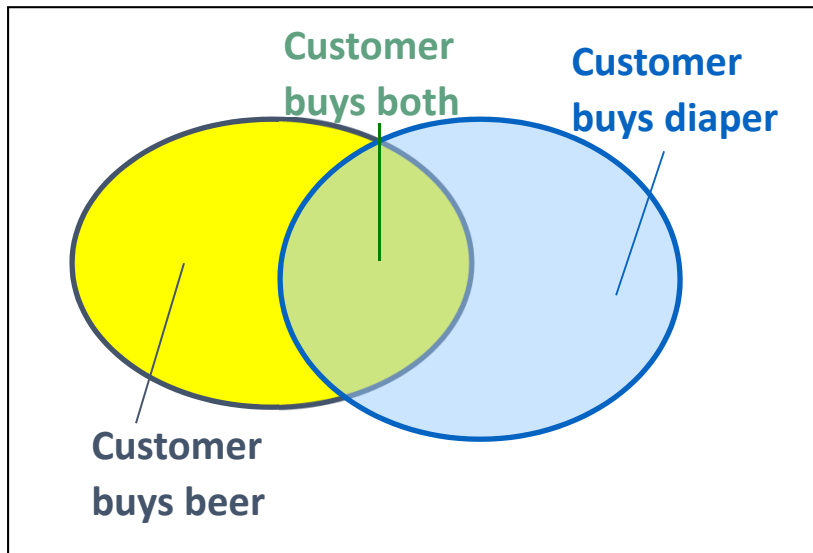
$$s = \frac{\#\{t, (X \cup Y) \subset t\}}{n}$$

- confidence,  $c$ , conditional probability that a transaction having  $X$  also contains  $Y$

$$c = \frac{\#\{t, (X \cup Y) \subset t\}}{\#\{t, X \subset t\}}$$

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- Set the minimum thresholds
  - $minsup = 50\%$
  - $minconf = 50\%$
- Frequent Patterns:
  - Beer:3, Nuts:3, Diaper:4, Eggs:3
  - {Beer, Diaper}:3
- Association rules: (many more!)

	<i>sup</i>	<i>conf</i>
• Beer $\rightarrow$ Diaper	(60%,	100%)
• Diaper $\rightarrow$ Beer	(60%,	75%)
• Nuts $\rightarrow$ Diaper	(60%,	100%)
• Diaper $\rightarrow$ Nuts	(80%,	50%)
• ...		

# Closed Patterns and Max-Patterns

- A long pattern contains a combinatorial number of sub-patterns, e.g.,  $\{i_1, \dots, i_{100}\}$  contains  $\binom{100}{1} + \binom{100}{2} + \dots + \binom{100}{100} = 2^{100} - 1 = 1.27 \times 10^{30}$  sub-patterns!
- Solution: Mine **closed patterns** and **max-patterns** instead
- An itemset  $X$  is **closed** if  $X$  is frequent and there exists no super-pattern  $Y \supset X$ , with the same support as  $X$ 
  - proposed by Pasquier, et al. @ ICDT'99
- An itemset  $X$  is a **max-pattern** if  $X$  is frequent and there exists no frequent super-pattern  $Y \supset X$ 
  - proposed by Bayardo @ SIGMOD'98
- Closed pattern is a lossless compression of freq. patterns
  - Reducing the # of patterns and rules



# Closed Patterns and Max-Patterns

- Exercise.  $DB = \{ \langle i_1, \dots, i_{100} \rangle, \langle i_1, \dots, i_{50} \rangle \}$ 
  - $\text{min\_sup} = 1$ .
- What is the set of **closed itemset**?
  - $\langle a_1, \dots, a_{100} \rangle: 1$
  - $\langle a_1, \dots, a_{50} \rangle: 2$
- What is the set of **max-pattern**?
  - $\langle a_1, \dots, a_{100} \rangle: 1$
- What is the set of **all patterns**?
  - !!

# The Downward Closure Property and Scalable Mining Methods

- The downward closure property of frequent patterns
  - Any subset of a frequent itemset must be frequent
  - If {beer, diaper, nuts} is frequent, so is {beer, diaper}
  - i.e., every transaction having {beer, diaper, nuts} also contains {beer, diaper}
- Scalable mining methods: Three major approaches
  - Apriori
    - R. Agrawal and R. Srikant. Fast algorithms for mining association rules. VLDB'94
  - Frequent pattern growth (FP-growth)
    - J. Han, J. Pei, and Y. Yin. Mining frequent patterns without candidate generation. SIGMOD'00

# Scalable Frequent Itemset Mining Methods

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# Apriori: A Candidate Generation & Test Approach

- Apriori pruning principle: If there is any itemset which is infrequent, its superset should not be generated/tested!
- Method:
  - Initially, scan data once to get frequent 1-itemset
  - Generate length  $(k+1)$ -sized candidate itemsets from frequent  $k$ -itemsets
  - Test the candidates against data
  - Terminate when no frequent or candidate set can be generated

# The Apriori Algorithm—An Example

$\text{Sup}_{\min} = 2$

Database

Tid	Items
10	A, C, D
20	B, C, E
30	A, B, C, E
40	B, E

$C_1$   
1<sup>st</sup> scan

Itemset	sup
{A}	2
{B}	3
{C}	3
{D}	1
{E}	3

$L_1$

Itemset	sup
{A}	2
{B}	3
{C}	3
{E}	3

$L_2$

Itemset	sup
{A, C}	2
{B, C}	2
{B, E}	3
{C, E}	2

$C_2$

Itemset	sup
{A, B}	1
{A, C}	2
{A, E}	1
{B, C}	2
{B, E}	3
{C, E}	2

2<sup>nd</sup> scan

$C_2$

Itemset	sup
{A, B}	1
{A, C}	2
{A, E}	1
{B, C}	2
{B, E}	3
{C, E}	2

$C_3$

Itemset	sup
{B, C, E}	2

3<sup>rd</sup> scan

$L_3$

Itemset	sup
{B, C, E}	2



# The Apriori Algorithm (Pseudo-Code)

$C_k$ : Candidate itemset of size  $k$

$L_k$ : frequent itemset of size  $k$

$L_1 = \{\text{frequent items}\};$

**for** ( $k = 1; L_k \neq \emptyset; k++$ ) **do**

$C_{k+1} = \text{candidates generated from } L_k;$

**for each** transaction  $t$  in database **do**

increment the count of all candidates in  $C_{k+1}$  that are contained  
in  $t$ ;

**end**

$L_{k+1} = \text{candidates in } C_{k+1} \text{ with min\_support};$

**end**

**return**  $\bigcup_k L_k;$

# Implementation of Apriori

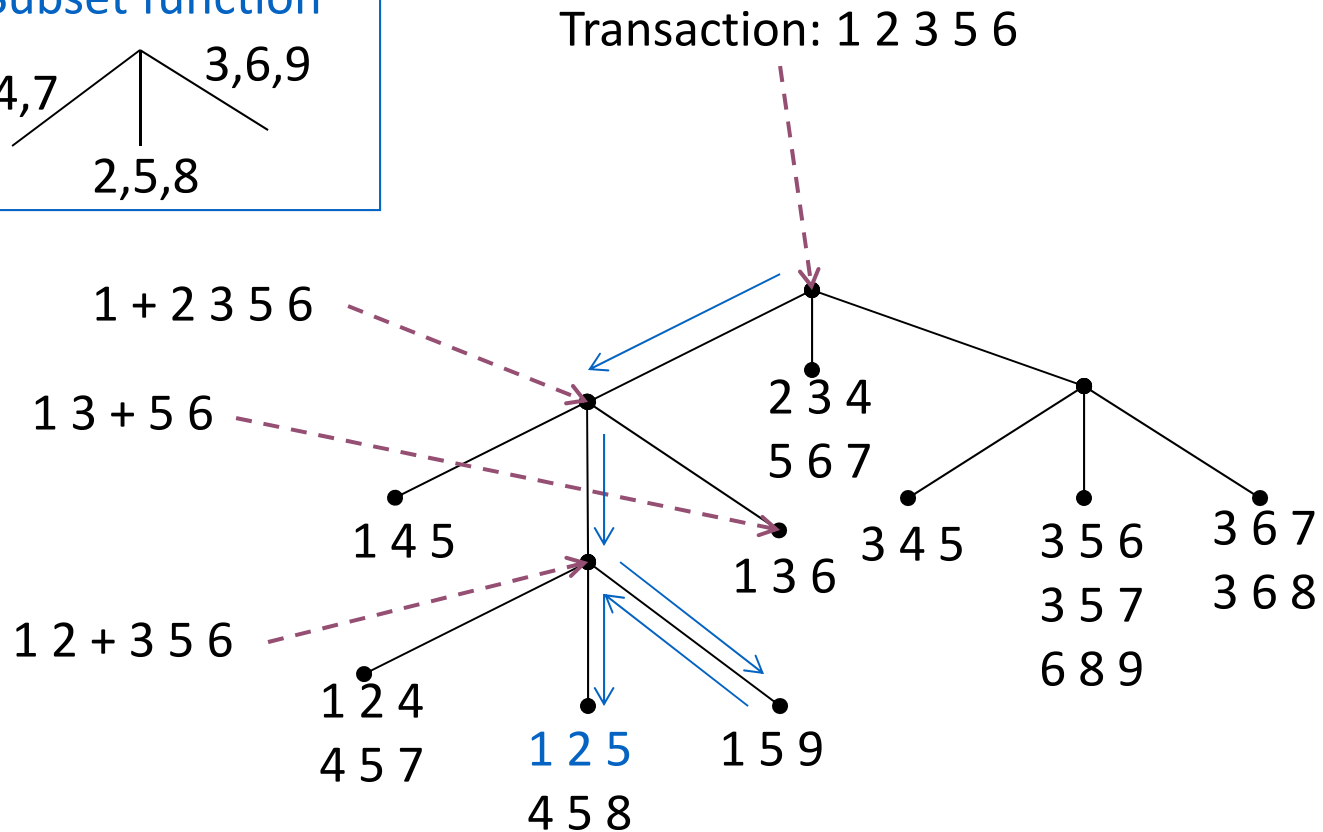
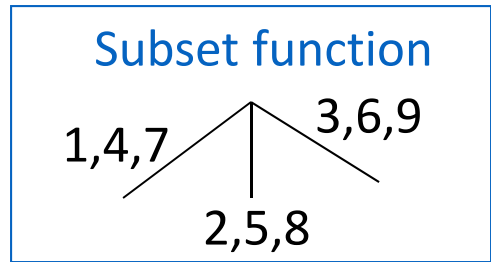
- How to generate candidates?
  - Step 1: self-joining  $L_k$
  - Step 2: pruning
- Example of candidate generation
  - $L_3 = \{abc, abd, acd, ace, bcd\}$
  - Self-joining:  $L_3 \times L_3$ 
    - $abcd$  from  $abc$  and  $abd$
    - $acde$  from  $acd$  and  $ace$
  - Pruning:
    - $acde$  is removed because  $ade$  is not in  $L_3$
  - $C_4 = \{abcd\}$

# How to Count Supports of Candidates?

- Why counting supports of candidates a problem?
  - The total number of candidates can be very huge
  - One transaction may contain many candidates
- Method:
  - Candidate itemsets are stored in a **hash-tree**
  - **Leaf node** of hash-tree contains a list of itemsets and counts
  - **Interior node** contains a hash table
  - **Subset function**: finds all the candidates contained in a transaction



# Counting Supports of Candidates Using Hash Tree



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# Construct FP-tree from a Transaction Database

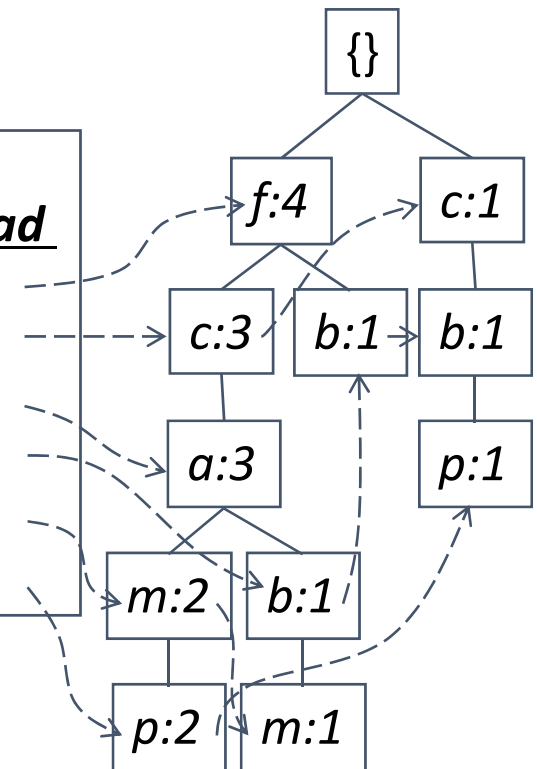
<i>TID</i>	<i>Items bought</i>	<i>(ordered) frequent items</i>
100	{ <i>f, a, c, d, g, i, m, p</i> }	{ <i>f, c, a, m, p</i> }
200	{ <i>a, b, c, f, l, m, o</i> }	{ <i>f, c, a, b, m</i> }
300	{ <i>b, f, h, j, o, w</i> }	{ <i>f, b</i> }
400	{ <i>b, c, k, s, p</i> }	{ <i>c, b, p</i> }
500	{ <i>a, f, c, e, l, p, m, n</i> }	{ <i>f, c, a, m, p</i> }

*min\_support = 3*

1. Scan DB once, find frequent 1-itemset (single item pattern)
2. Sort frequent items in frequency descending order, f-list
3. Scan DB again, construct FP-tree

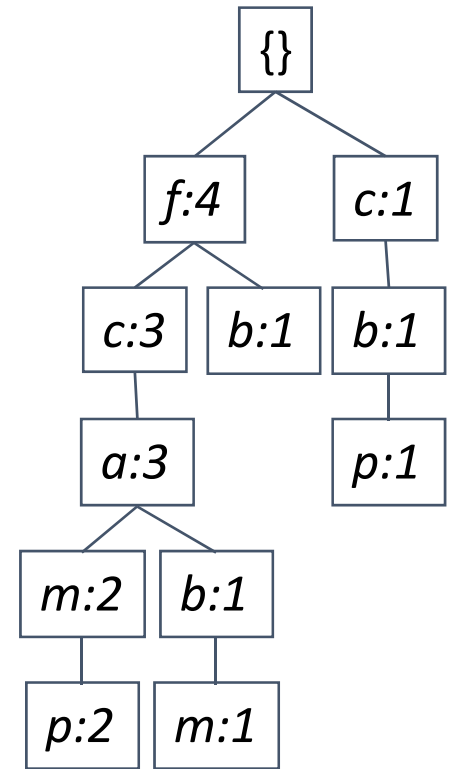
<b>Header Table</b>	
<u><i>Item frequency head</i></u>	
<i>f</i>	4
<i>c</i>	4
<i>a</i>	3
<i>b</i>	3
<i>m</i>	3
<i>p</i>	3

**F-list** = *f-c-a-b-m-p*



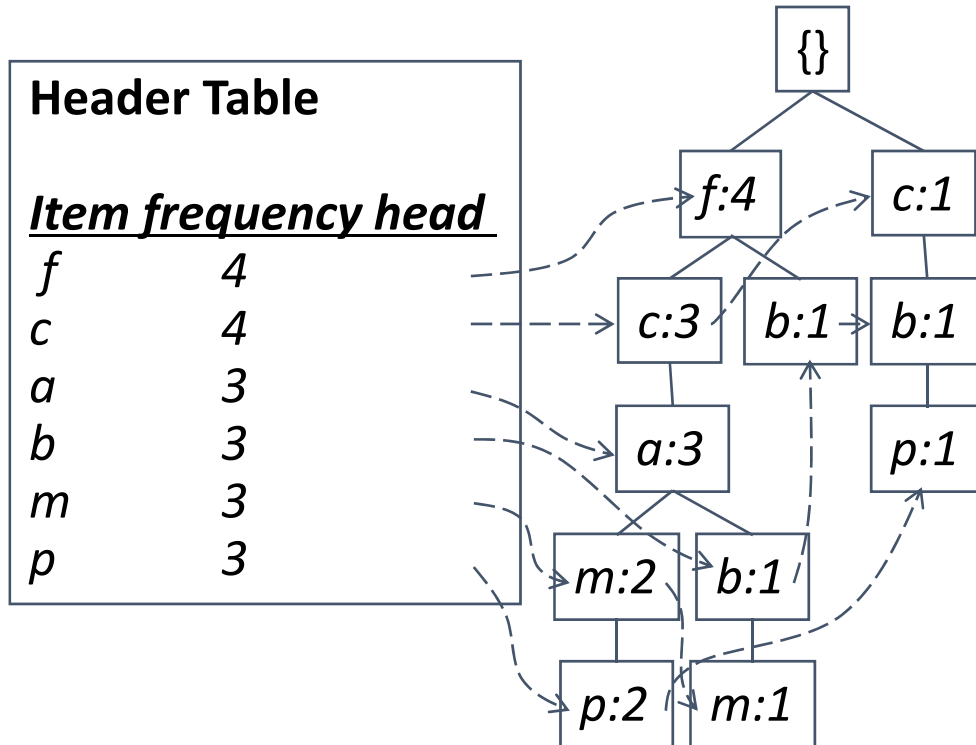
# Partition Patterns and Databases

- Frequent patterns can be partitioned into subsets according to f-list
  - F-list =  $f-c-a-b-m-p$
  - Patterns containing  $p$
  - Patterns having  $m$  but no  $p$
  - Patterns having  $b$  but no  $m$  nor  $p$
  - ...
  - Patterns having  $c$  but no  $a$  nor  $b, m, p$
  - Pattern  $f$
- Completeness and non-redundancy



# Find Patterns Having P From P-conditional Database

- Starting at the frequent item header table in the FP-tree
- Traverse the FP-tree by following the link of each frequent item  $p$
- Accumulate all of *transformed prefix paths* of item  $p$  to form  $p$ 's conditional pattern base

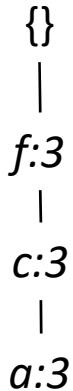


**Conditional pattern bases**

<u>item</u>	<u>cond. pattern base</u>
$c$	$f:3$
$a$	$fc:3$
$b$	$fca:1, f:1, c:1$
$m$	$fca:2, fcab:1$
$p$	$fcam:2, cb:1$

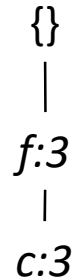
# Recursion: Mining Each Conditional FP-tree

Cond. pattern base of “am”: (fc:3)



***m-conditional*** FP-tree

Cond. pattern base of “cm”: (f:3)



***am-conditional*** FP-tree



***cm-conditional*** FP-tree

Cond. pattern base of “cam”: (f:3)

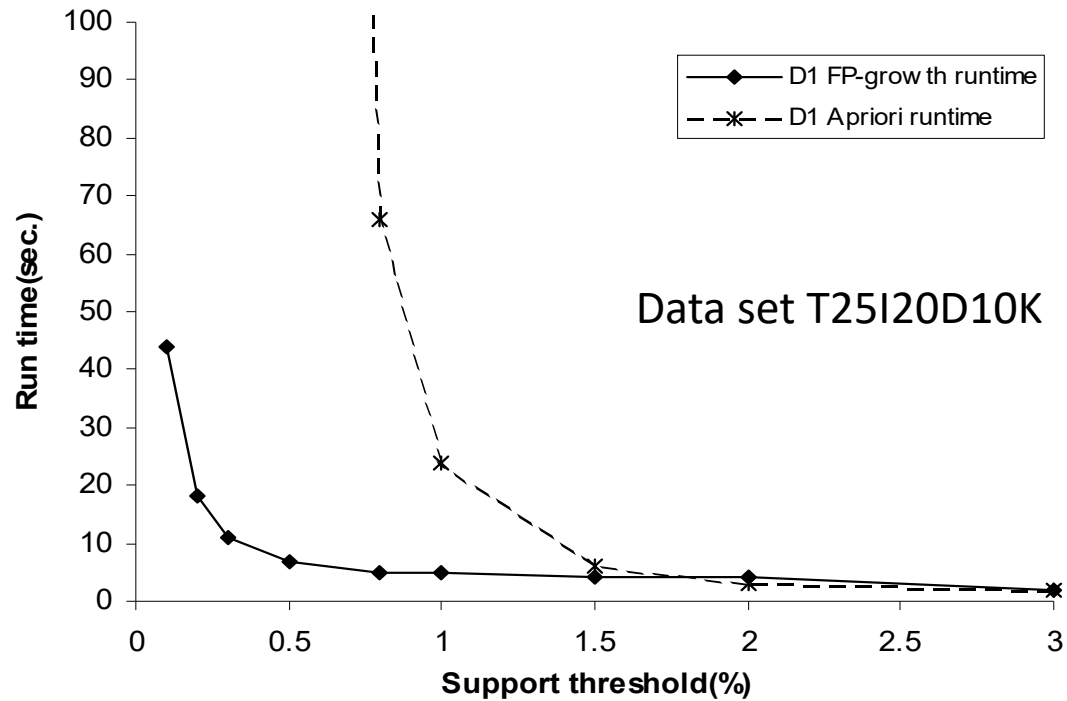


***cam-conditional*** FP-tree

# Benefits of the FP-tree Structure

- Completeness
  - Preserve complete information for frequent pattern mining
  - Never break a long pattern of any transaction
- Compactness
  - Reduce irrelevant info—infrequent items are gone
  - Items in frequency descending order: the more frequently occurring, the more likely to be shared
  - Never be larger than the original database

# Performance of FPGrowth in Large Datasets



FP-Growth vs. Apriori



# Advantages of the Pattern Growth Approach

- Divide-and-conquer
  - Decompose both the mining task and DB according to the frequent patterns obtained so far
  - Lead to focused search of smaller databases
- Other factors
  - No candidate generation, no candidate test
  - Compressed database: FP-tree structure
  - No repeated scan of entire database
  - Basic operations: counting local frequent items and building sub FP-tree, no pattern search and matching
- A good open-source implementation and refinement of FPGrowth
  - FPGrowth+: B. Goethals and M. Zaki. An introduction to workshop on frequent itemset mining implementations. Proc. ICDM'03 Int. Workshop on Frequent Itemset Mining Implementations (FIMI'03), Melbourne, FL, Nov. 2003

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  - FP-Growth algorithms
- Neighborhood methods
  - K-nearest neighbors

# K Nearest Neighbor Algorithm (KNN)

- A **non-parametric** method used for data prediction
  - For each input instance  $x$ , find  $k$  closest training instances  $N_k(x)$  in the feature space
  - The prediction of  $x$  is based on the average of labels of the  $k$  instances

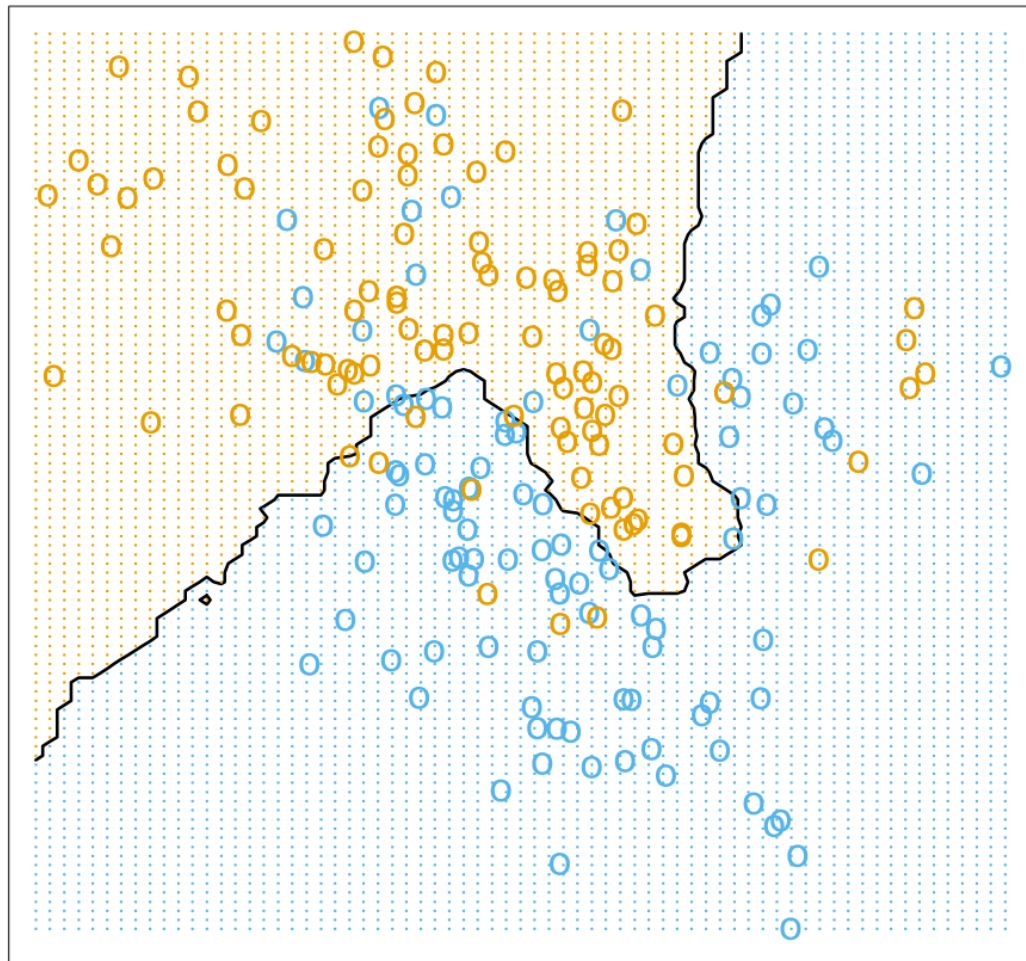
$$\hat{y}(x) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{x_i \in N_k(x)} y_i$$

- For classification problem, it is the majority voting among neighbors

$$p(\hat{y}|x) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{x_i \in N_k(x)} 1(y_i = \hat{y})$$

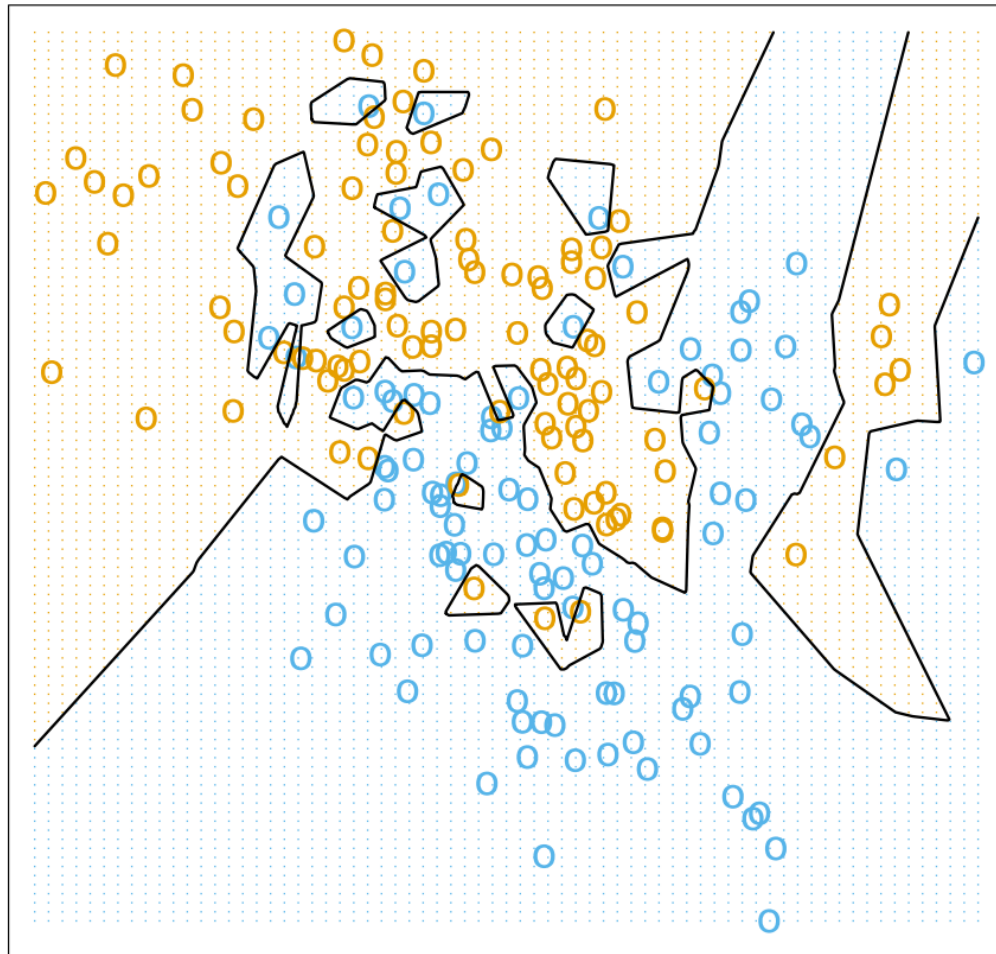
# kNN Example

15-nearest neighbor



# kNN Example

1-nearest neighbor



# K Nearest Neighbor Algorithm (KNN)

- Generalized version
  - Define similarity function  $s(x, x_i)$  between the input instance  $x$  and its neighbor  $x_i$
  - Then the prediction is based on the weighted average of the neighbor labels based on the similarities

$$\hat{y}(x) = \frac{\sum_{x_i \in N_k(x)} s(x, x_i) y_i}{\sum_{x_i \in N_k(x)} s(x, x_i)}$$

# Non-Parametric kNN

- No parameter to learn
  - In fact, there are  $N$  parameters: each instance is a parameter
  - There are  $N/k$  effective parameters
    - Intuition: if the neighborhoods are non-overlapping, there would be  $N/k$  neighborhoods, each of which fits one parameter
- Hyperparameter  $k$ 
  - We cannot use sum-of-squared error on the training set as a criterion for picking  $k$ , since  $k=1$  is always the best
  - Tune  $k$  on validation set

# Efficiency Concerns

- It is often time consuming to find the  $k$  nearest neighbors
  - A naive solution needs to go through all data instances for each prediction
- Some practical solutions
  - Build inverse index (from feature to instance). We shall get back to this later in Search Engine lecture
  - Parallelized computing (e.g., with GPU parallelization)
  - Pre-calculation with some candidate instances
    - With triangle inequality
  - Learning hashing code
  - Approximation methods



# Further Reading

- Xindong Wu et al. Top 10 algorithms in data mining. 2008.

<http://www.cs.uvm.edu/~icdm/algorithms/10Algorithms-08.pdf>

- C4.5, k-Means, SVM, Apriori, EM, PageRank, AdaBoost, kNN, Naïve Bayes, CART

# More Thinkings

# Computational Complexity of Frequent Itemset Mining

- How many itemsets are potentially to be generated in the worst case?
  - The number of frequent itemsets to be generated is sensitive to the minsup threshold
  - When minsup is low, there exist potentially an exponential number of frequent itemsets
  - The worst case:  $MN$  where  $M$ : # distinct items, and  $N$ : max length of transactions
- The worst case complexity vs. the expected probability
  - Ex: Suppose Walmart has  $10^4$  kinds of products
    - The chance to pick up one product  $10^{-4}$
    - The chance to pick up a particular set of 10 products:  $\sim 10^{-40}$
    - What is the chance this particular set of 10 products to be frequent  $10^3$  times in  $10^9$  transactions?