# Introduction to Artificial Intelligence Apriory Algorithm, Nearest Neighbor, Naive Bayes, Decision Tree, k-means

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# **Association Rule Mining**

- Unsupervised technique, learning from observations.
- Association rule mining is a method for discovering interesting relations in data.
  - Discovering regularities between products in transaction data.
- "If Then" relationship. If this happen, what is likely to happen next.

Generally two-step process:

- Find all frequent itemsets.
- Q Generate interesting rules from the frequent itemset.

$$\{A, B, \ldots\} \Rightarrow \{C, D, \ldots\}$$
$$\{swimsuite, beachtowel\} \Rightarrow \{sunglasses\}$$
$$\{bread, butter\} \Rightarrow \{milk\}$$

# **Association Rule Mining**

#### Association rule mining problem

Let  $I = \{i_1, i_2, ..., i_n\}$  be a set of **items** and let  $D = \{t_1, t_2, ..., t_n\}$  be a set of **transactions** called **database** where each transaction  $t_i$  is set of items such that  $t_i \subseteq I$ . An association rule is an implication of the form

$$A \Rightarrow B$$
,

where  $A, B \subset I$  and  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ . The set of items on the left side of the association rule (*A*) is called **antecedent** and the set of items on the right side (*B*) is called **consequent**.

# Support & Confidence

#### Support

The support  $support(A \Rightarrow B)$  is defined as the percentage of transactions in *D* which contain  $A \cup B$  (i.e. both *A* and *B*). This is interpreted as an estimate of probability  $P(A \cup B)$ .

 $support(A \Rightarrow B) = P(A \cup B)$ 

#### Confidence

The confidence  $confidence(A \Rightarrow B)$  is defined as the percentage of transactions in *D* containing *A* that also contain *B*. This is interpreted as an estimate of the probability P(A|B).

$$\mathit{confidence}(A \Rightarrow B) = rac{\mathit{support}(A \cup B)}{\mathit{support}(A)}$$

#### **Example of Rules**

Market basket transactions.

TID	Items	
1	{Bread, Milk}	$ \begin{cases} \text{Milk, Diaper} \} \Rightarrow \{\text{Beer}\} (\text{s=0.4,c=0.67}) \\ \{\text{Milk, Beer}\} \Rightarrow \{\text{Diaper}\} (\text{s=0.4,c=1.0}) \\ \{\text{Diaper, Beer}\} \Rightarrow \{\text{Milk}\} (\text{s=0.4,c=0.67}) \\ \{\text{Beer}\} \Rightarrow \{\text{Milk, Diaper}\} (\text{s=0.4,c=0.67}) \end{cases} $
2	$\{Bread, Diapers, Beer, Eggs\}$	
3	$\{Milk, Diapers, Beer, Cola\}$	
4	$\{{\sf Bread}, {\sf Milk}, {\sf Diapers}, {\sf Beer}\}$	${Diaper} \Rightarrow {Milk, Beer} (s=0.4,c=0.5)$
5	$\{{\sf Bread}, {\sf Milk}, {\sf Diapers}, {\sf Cola}\}$	${Milk} \Rightarrow {Diaper, Beer} (s=0.4,c=0.5)$

# **Apriory Algorithm**

- Mining frequent itemsets for boolean associations rules.
  - Find the frequent itemsets.
  - 2 Generate strong association rules from the frequent itemsets.
- Frequent itemsets: the sets of items that have minimum support.
- Apriori property: Any subset of frequent itemset must be frequent.
  - ▶  $\forall A, B : (A \subseteq B) \Rightarrow support(A) \ge support(B)$
  - Anti-monotone property of support.
- Strong association rules: satisfy both minimum support and minimum confidence.

#### **Frequent Itemsets**

- Level-wise search
  - k-itemsets are used to explore (k+1)-itemsets.
- **1** First, the set of frequent 1-itemsets,  $L_1$ , is found.
  - All items with minimal support.
- **2**  $L_1$  is used to find the set of frequent 2-itemsets,  $L_2$ .
  - Candidates are generated using join operation,  $L_1 \times L_1$ .
  - The set of frequent 2-itemsets is determined by minimum support.
- **3**  $L_2$  is used to find the set of frequent 3-itemsets,  $L_3$ .
  - Candidates are generated using join operation,  $L_2 \times L_2$ .
  - The set of frequent 3-itemsets is determined by minimum support.
- **n** Until no frequent *k*-itemsets can be found.

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# **Apriori Algorithm Pseudocode**

Algorithm 1 Apriori Algorithm

- 1:  $C_k$  ... candidate itemset of size k
- 2:  $L_k \dots$  frequent itemset of size k

3:

4: 
$$L_1 \leftarrow \{1 - items, such that support(i) \geq \theta\}$$

5: for 
$$k = 1; L_k! = \emptyset; k + + do$$

6: 
$$C_{k+1} \leftarrow \{ candidates generated from L_k \}$$

7: 
$$L_k \leftarrow \{c : c \in C_k, support(c) \geq \theta\}$$

8: end for

return  $\bigcup_k L_k$ 

# **Strong Association Rules**

- For each frequent itemset *I* are generated all nonempty subsets *s* ⊂ *I*.
- For each nonempty set s ⊂ I that satisfies

$$\frac{support(l)}{support(s)} \geq \theta_{conf_{min}},$$

where  $\theta_{\mathit{conf_{\min}}}$  is minimum confidence treshold, is generated strong association rule

$$s \Rightarrow (I \setminus s).$$

# **Nearest Neighbor Classification**

- The Nearest Neighbor is one of the simplest and oldest commonly used classification methods.
- Based on learning by similarity, i.e. on comparing given unknown instance with the instances in the training set that are similar to it.
- Holds all training instances in the memory.
- Every time it has to compare whole training set with a given unknown instance.
- Inefficient with large datasets.

 For given unknown instance x' finds the most similar instance x\* from the training set R and classifies x' into the the class of x\*

$$x^* = \argmin_{x \in R} ||x - x'||$$

using the Euclidean distance

$$x^* = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{x\in R} \sqrt{\sum_j (x_j - x'_j)^2}.$$

Unknown instance x' is classified into the same class as x\*, let y\* be the corresponding label then y' = y\*.

# k-Nearest Neighbors

- instead of searching one most similar instance, k instances (nearest neighbors) are found
- The unknown instance is classified into the majority class of k nearest neighbors.

Let  $X^*$  be set of k nearest neighbors with corresponding classes  $Y^*$ , the unknown instance is classified into the class

$$y_{*} = \arg\max_{y_{i} \in Y^{*}} |\{Y^{*} = y_{i}\}|$$
(1)

#### k-NN

# **Decision Border**



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#### **Bayesian Classification**

- Probabilistic methods based on Bayes theorem.
- Assumes that hypothesis that approximates target function well over observed examples will also approximate well over unobserved examples.

#### **Bayes theorem**

Let *y* be a hypothesis, such as that an example **x** belongs to a specific class *y*, Bayes theorem is

$$P(y|\mathbf{x}) = rac{P(\mathbf{x}|y) \cdot P(y)}{P(\mathbf{x})},$$

where P(y) and  $P(\mathbf{x})$  are the **prior probabilities**,  $P(\mathbf{x}|y)$  is the **posterior probability** of example *x* conditioned by class *y* and  $P(y|\mathbf{x})$  is the posterior probability of class *y* conditioned by example **x**.

#### Maximum a posteriori (MAP)

- The learner considers some set of candidate hypothesis, such as that *x* belongs to all possible  $y \in \mathcal{Y}$ , and chooses the most probable hypothesis.
- The most probable hypothesis given observed data is called **Maximum a posteriori (MAP)**.

Maximum a posteriori

$$y_{MAP} = \underset{y \in \mathcal{Y}}{\arg \max} P(y|\mathbf{x})$$
$$y_{MAP} = \underset{y \in \mathcal{Y}}{\arg \max} \frac{P(\mathbf{x}|y) \cdot P(y)}{P(\mathbf{x})}$$
$$y_{MAP} = \underset{y \in \mathcal{Y}}{\arg \max} P(\mathbf{x}|y) \cdot P(y)$$

# **Naive Bayes Classifier**

• The **naive** assumption of conditional independence of attributes.

**Conditional independence assumption** 

$$P(\mathbf{x}|y) = P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n|y) = P(x_1|y) \cdot P(x_2|y) \cdot \dots \cdot P(x_n|Y)$$
  
=  $\prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i|y)$ 

• The maximum a posteriori for naive Bayes is then

$$y_{MAP} = P(y) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(x_i | y)$$

- The assumption is in practice almost always violated, however, it may still find maximum probability hypothesis!
- Experiments have shown that Naive Bayes is competitive with other methods.

#### **Decision Tree**

- Very popular across various domains.
  - Simple and interpretable.
- Decision tree is represented by a nodes in the rooted tree structure (usually binary).
  - Nodes: attributes
  - Edges: attribute values
  - Leaves: classes
- Classification of an unknown example is performed by successive testing in internal nodes and corresponding routing towards the most appropriate leaf which contains the probability vector indicating the class.

#### **Example: Iris Classification**



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#### **Learning Decision Tree**

- Finding minimal optimal decision tree is **NP-hard** task.
  - Heuristics methods are generally used for learning (greedy search).
- Decision tree is induced on a recursive partitioning of the input space.
- In each decision node we determine an attribute X<sub>j</sub> with partitioning Φ<sub>j</sub> that maximize the splitting criterion Ψ, formally

$$\arg\max_{j,k}\Psi(X_j,\Phi_j)$$

#### Splitting Criteria

Information Gain

$$IG(X_j) = \Delta H(X_j) = H(Y) - H(Y|\phi_j)$$

Gain Ratio

$$GR(X_j) = \frac{H(Y) - H(Y|\phi_j)}{H(X_j)}$$

Gini Index

$$\Delta G(X_j) = G(Y) - G(Y|\phi_j)$$

# **Stopping Criteria and Pruning**

#### **Stopping Criteria**

- Terminates learning of the three, when further growing would probably does not increase the decision tree performance.
  - All instances in the training set are from the same class.
  - Depth of the tree reached defined maximal limit.
  - The number of cases in the node is less than the minimum limit for inner nodes.
  - If the node were be split the number of cases in one or more terminal nodes would be less than the minimum limit.
  - > The best splitting criteria is less than defined minimum threshold.

#### Pruning

- Pruning is technique for cutting over-fitted trees, it uses various measures to remove the least reliable branches to make simpler and more accurate decision tree.
  - Pre-Pruning
  - Post-Pruning

#### *k*-means

- One of the most popular clustering algorithms.
- The number of clusters is parameter of the algorithm.
- Uses representative point for each cluster (centroid).

#### k means

Let  $X = \{x^1, x^2, ..., x^n\}$  be a set of *n* points in *m* dimensions,  $X \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . *k*-means arranges these points into *k* clusters by minimizing the total energy

$$E = \sum_{l=1}^{k} \sum_{x^i \in c_l} \|x^i - \mu_l\|^2,$$

where  $\mu_l$  is a centroid of the points in the cluster  $c_l$  defined as

$$\mu_I = \frac{1}{|c_I|} \sum_{x^i \in c_I} x^i.$$

#### k-means Pseudocode

Algorithm 2 k-means Algorithm

- 1: Randomly initialize cluster centroids  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \ldots, \mu_k$
- 2: repeat
- 3: for all  $x^i \in X$  do
- 4:  $c^i \leftarrow c_l$  : arg min<sub>l</sub>  $||x^i \mu_l||^2$
- 5: end for
- 6: for  $c_l \in C$  do
- 7:  $\mu_l = \frac{1}{|c_l|} \sum_{x^i \in c_l} x^i$
- 8: end for
- 9: until convergence

#### *k*-means Illustration



Source: Stanford University, CS221, http://stanford.edu/~cpiech/cs221/