Dynamically Updating Association Rules: Frequent Item Set Mining by Using Indexing Support

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ABSTRACT: Association rule mining is one of the very well known data mining approach which extracts previously unknown relationships among attributes. Thus the discovered know-how can bestow competitive edge to enterprises in the real world in making strategic decisions. It is very expensive to extract frequent item sets and generate association rules using statistical measures such as confidence and support every time when the underlying database is updated. To get rid of the drudgery of reinventing the wheel for every modification in order to reflect present database many researchers contributed by proposing data structures and algorithms. When algorithm is cost effective and what is the underlying data structure with index support used are the questions arise. In this paper we review the art of index support for frequent item set mining for dynamically updating association rules[15].

KEYWORDS: Data Mining, Frequent item set mining, association rule mining.

I. INTRODUCTION

Data mining has emerged to address the problem of transforming data into useful knowledge. Although most data mining techniques, such as the use of association rules, may substantially reduce the search effort over large data sets, often, the consequent outcomes surpass the amount of information humanly manageable. On the other hand, important association rules may be overlooked owing to the setting of the support threshold, which is a very subjective metric, but rooted in most data mining techniques. Association rule mining is important data-mining task that aims to extract interesting correlations, frequent patterns or associations among sets of items in the transaction databases or other data repositories. To discover interesting relationships among attributes from large volumes of data efficient algorithms are needed. Thus an essential research issue surrounding association rule mining is to find fast and effective association rule mining algorithms.

Frequent itemsets plays an essential role in many data mining tasks that try to find interesting patterns from databases, such as association rules, correlations, classifiers, sequences, episodes, clusters and many more of which the mining of association rules is one of the most popular problems. The original motivation for searching association rules came from the need to analyze data, so called supermarket transaction data, that is, to examine customer behavior in terms of the purchased products. Association rules describe how often item are purchased together. Example, an association rule “tea ⇒ biscuit (80%)” states that four out of five customers that bought tea also bought biscuit. Such rules can be useful for decision concerning product pricing, promotions, store layout and many others[8].

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Association rule mining:

In 1993, the problem of association rule mining (ARM) was first introduced by Agarwal. They formulated association rules and statistical measures such as confidence and support. A database with plenty of transactions is denoted as D where each transaction is shown as T. Each entity has a group of related attributes denoted as I = \{I_1, I_2, I_3, \ldots, I_n\}. X=>Y represents an association rule where X implies Y. Both X and Y are items in a relation where X is having an association with Y. To search the quality association two statistical measures namely support and confidence are used.

Support = number of records of X with Y / total number of records
Confidence = number of records of X with Y / the total number of records with X

X and Y are items that are frequent if the association between them satisfies given threshold for confidence and support. High quality association rules can be obtained by using these statistical measures. Item set mining or association rule mining algorithms available include Apriori and variants of it such as AprioriTID, AprioriHybrid, SETM, and DIC. Other algorithms include FP-growth, Partition, and Eclat. The ensuing sections throw light on many algorithms and data structures.

II. RELATED WORK

S. Sahaphong suggested frequent itemsets mining using vertical index list. In this paper, the author proposes a new technique to mine all frequent itemsets that executes database scanning only for once to create data structure. This arrangement uses the conceptual of vertical data outline to include transaction data. The altering of minimal support is not effected by the rescane and data structure of database is not needed. This technique has the capability of discovering frequent itemsets without creation of candidate itemsets. It achieves accurate and absolute frequent itemsets. The experimental observation illustrates that this technique provides all definitions and accuracy of frequent itemsets.

Xuegang Hu et al., suggested mining frequent itemsets using a pruned concept lattice. Extracting frequent itemsets is a critical step in association rule mining. On the other hand, most of the approaches which mine frequent itemsets examine databases numerous times, which reduces the efficiency. In this technique, the association among the concept lattice and frequent itemsets is used, and the method of pruned concept lattice (PCL) is established to characterize frequent itemsets in a specified database, and the scale of frequent itemsets is compressed efficiently. A technique for extracting frequent itemsets based on PCL is implemented, which prunes infrequent concepts appropriately and dynamically throughout the PCL's construction based on the Apriori property. The effectiveness of the approach is illustrated with experiments.

Dong Liyan et al., proposed a novel method of mining frequent item sets. The goal of mining association rules is to determine the association relationship among the item sets from mass data. In a number of practical applications, its responsibility is mostly to support in decision-making. In this paper, the author proposed an association rule algorithm of mining frequent item sets, which establishes a new data structure and adopts compressed storage tree to develop the run performance of this algorithm. At last, the experiment indicates that the algorithm defined in this paper has much more advantages in load balance and run time compared with most existing algorithms. Mining association rules from XML data with index table was suggested by Xin-Ye Li et al., Mining XML association rule is tackled with extra challenge because of the inherent flexibilities of XML in both semantic sand arrangement. With the purpose of making mining XML association rule very efficient, this paper provides a new definition of transaction and item in XML environment, then construct transaction database depending on an index table. Based on the index table and the definition utilized for XML searching, it is easy to check the relation among the transaction and retrieve an item quickly. A high adaptive mining approach is also illustrated. Because of this approach, mining rules can be processed with no assistance of interest associations specified by users and the mining unknown rules. The effectiveness of these approaches is proved with the help of experiments on real-life data.

III. SYSTEM DESIGN AND ANALYSIS

Most of the data mining algorithms available in the literature concentrate on the static datasets. These are the kind of the datasets which do not change over time. So, there is a need for some researches to focus on this static dataset problem and to develop some technique which supports the developing database based on index support to mine.
the item sets. Incremental update of the index will solve this difficulty. A technique should be developed to update the index whenever a new data is inserted.

There are two key issues that need to be addressed when applying association analysis to a market basket data first discovering pattern from large transaction data set can be computationally expensive, second some of the discovered pattern are potentially spurious because they may happen simply by chance. A strategy adopted to decompose the problem into two major subtasks, first frequent item set generation. And second is rule generation.

IV. PROPOSED WORK

We will going to design one online shopping environment in which different users can login and get Loaded with Frequent-Items, Projected from Database (varieties of Groceries products) from which user can purchase different item.

Once user selects any kind on single product from available list then afterword our system will apply following process to use different products from Transactional Data base.

1) Data Extraction
2) Item Set Preparation
3) Finding Association Rules.
In data extraction different frequent items are indexed from Transactional Data base, after that item set D is prepared based association rule, Business Analysis, Market Basket analysis which will applied on user selected item/item. This will suggest related product for shopping. This will improves user experience for effective and easy shopping in online environment.

The transactional data set D is represented, in the relational model, as a relation R. Each tuple in R is a pair (TransactionID, ItemID, ItemName). The Btree index provides a compact and complete representation of R. It is two level indexing and incremental indexing. Hence, it allows the efficient extraction of item sets from Database.

In this project we will going to design one indexing algorithm which will perform indexing on our transactional database to find most related and relevant product to user selected item/items. Our algorithm will work on Dynamic Association Rule Creation From Different User Transactions Which Is Carried Out In Shopping Environment

V. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

Association rule mining has very important utility in the real world as enterprises use the extracted patterns to make well informed decisions. Association rule mining has two distinct phases such as extracting frequent item sets from database and generation of association rules. Statistical measures such as support and confidence are used to ensure quality rules to be generated. Out of the two phases, the first one is expensive. Thus the researchers focused more on frequent item set mining. The challenge thrown here is that databases are subjected to frequent changes and the underlying frequent sets are bound to reflect those changes. Extracting frequent item sets from the scratch is expensive and time consuming. To overcome this problem many data structures and algorithms came into existing.

Due to the world wide increase in the available data, it is very difficult for obtaining the related data with better accuracy. The research can be further extended to build a novel technique that can leverage the utility of maintaining association rules with relatively less computational cost and overhead. This leads to the requirement for developing a better data mining technique which suits all situations.

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