

Declarative Modeling for Machine Learning and Data Mining

Lab for Declarative Language ~~Text~~ and Artificial Intelligence

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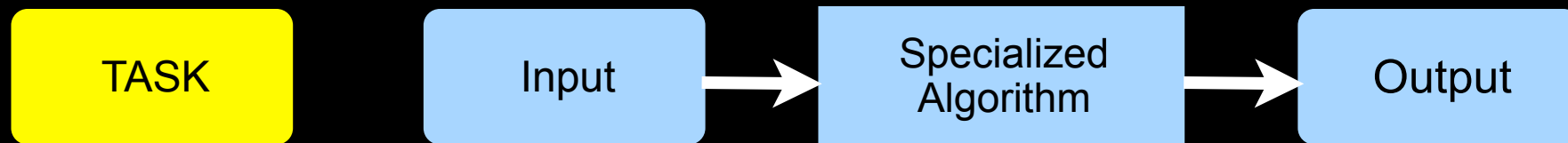


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ABOUT FCA
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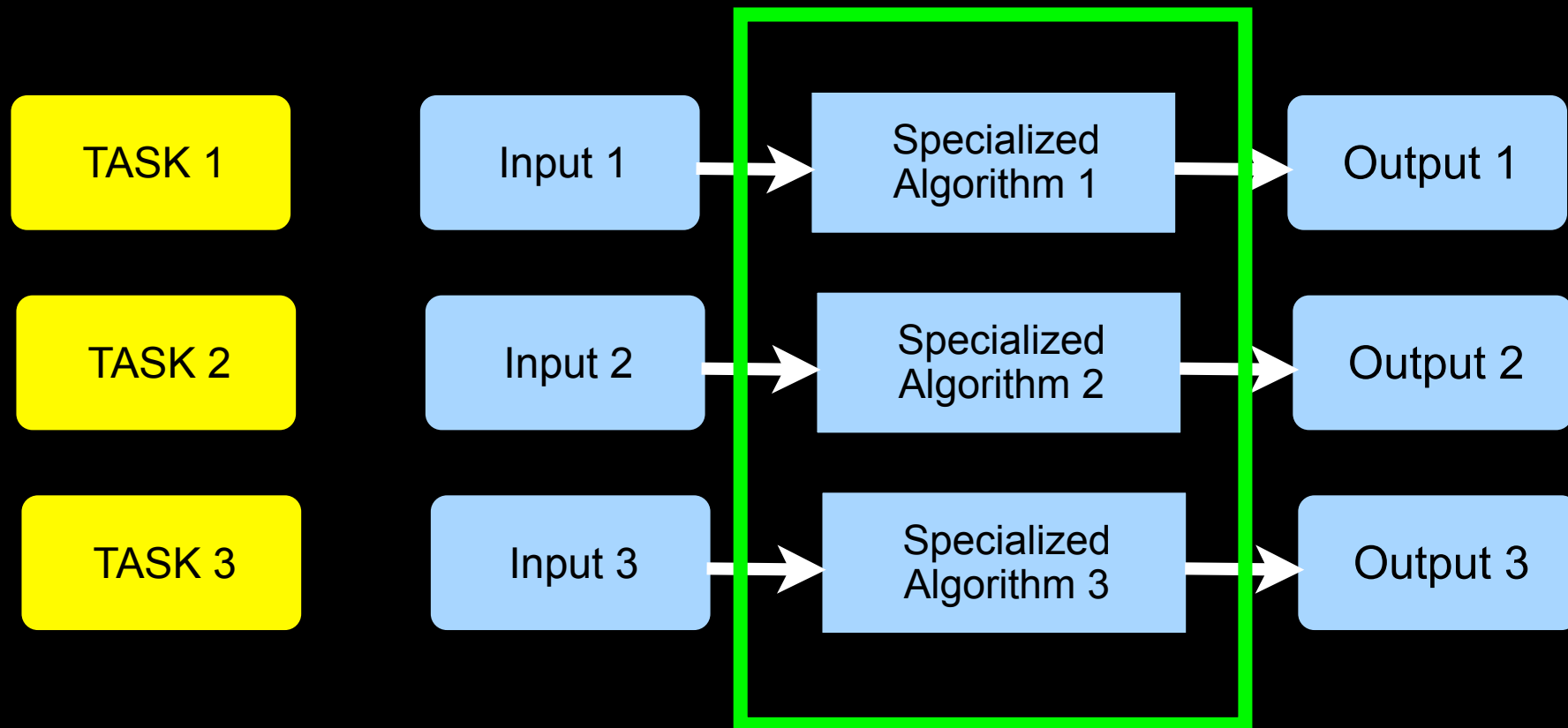
Developing software that relies on ML and DM

Is VERY HARD

1. Formalize learning / mining task
2. Design algorithm / technique to use
3. Implement the algorithm
4. Use the software



Developing software that relies on ML and DM



state **HOW** to **solve** problem
waste of resources

Developing software that relies on ML and DM

Is VERY HARD

- it requires a deep understanding of the underlying algorithms and procedures (i.e., be a ML/DM expert)
- existing algorithms/code are very specific and limited
- are hard to extend or generalize ML/DM
- there is only little re-use of existing code

Might be true for FCA as well ?

Long standing open questions

Can we design programming languages containing machine learning primitives?

Can a new generation of computer programming languages directly support writing programs that learn?

Why not design a new computer programming language that supports writing programs in which some subroutines are hand-coded while others are **specified** as “to be learned.” Such a programming language could allow the programmer **to declare** the **inputs and outputs** of each “to be learned” subroutine, **then select a learning algorithm** from the primitives provided by the programming language.

Questions remain open

Though some relevant work on

- probabilistic & adaptive programming languages
- inductive query languages for data mining [Imielinski and Mannila, 95; EU cInQ and IQ projects]
- inductive logic programming and statistical relational learning
- Learning based Java [Roth et al. 10]
- kLog [Frasconi et al.]

We are still **far away** from programming languages that support machine learning or data mining

Our Vision

Declarative Modeling is **KEY** to answer the question

- Specify **WHAT** the problem **IS**
- Often as a **constraint satisfaction or optimization** problem

Instead of **Procedural** approaches

- Specify **HOW** the problem should be **SOLVED**
- Specify **programs**

Why declarative modeling ?

DECLARATIVE

- few lines of code
- easy to understand, maintain, change
- one theory for multiple tasks
- can be used with multiple “solvers”, e.g., exact and approximate
- formal verification possible

PROCEDURAL

- 1000s of lines of code
- hard to understand, maintain or change
- one program for each task
- solver is built in the program

Plan for this talk

Declarative Modeling has never been systematically applied to ML/DM.

- Yet all the necessary ingredients are available to do this.
- So we are starting to develop this.

I will introduce some useful principles

- declarative languages and their connection to constraint programming / solver technology

Illustrations on

Might apply to FCA as well ?

- constraint-based item set mining
- probabilistic modeling (very fast)

Three observations

Observation I

Machine learning and data mining are essentially constraint satisfaction and optimization problems

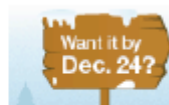
Data Mining

Given

- a database containing instances or transactions D
the set of instances
- a hypothesis space or pattern language L
- a selection predicate, query or set of constraints Q

Find $Th(Q,L,D) = \{ h \in L \mid Q(h,D) = \text{true} \}$

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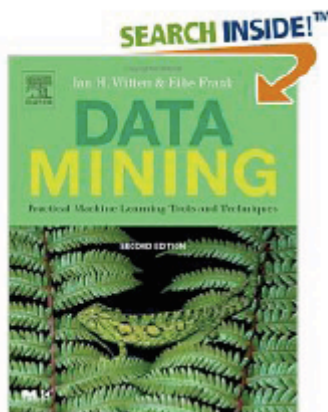


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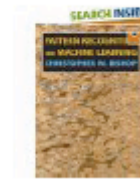
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Theory of Computing

Itemset mining

Given

- a set of items I
- a transaction $t \subseteq I$. So, $X = 2^I$
- D is a set of transactions.
- $L = X = 2^I$
- a frequency threshold c , with $\text{freq}(h,D) = |\{d \mid d \in D, h \subseteq d\}|$

Find $\text{Th}(Q,L,D) = \{h \in L \mid \text{freq}(h,D) > c\}$

Machine learning

Given

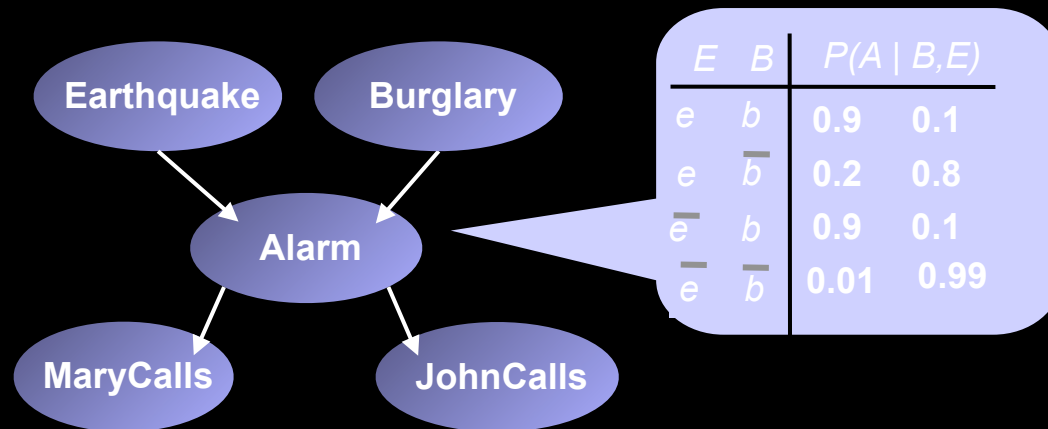
- an unknown target function $f: X \rightarrow Y$
- a hypothesis space L containing functions $X \rightarrow Y$
- a dataset of examples $E = \{ (x, f(x)) \mid x \in X \}$
- a loss function $loss(h, E) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Find $h \in L$ that minimizes $loss(h, E)$

supervised



Bayesian Networks



A graphical model encodes conditional independencies

$$P(E, B, A, J, M) = P(E) \cdot P(B) \cdot P(A | E, B) \cdot P(J | A) \cdot P(M | A)$$

$$P(e, \text{not } b, a, j, \text{not } m) =$$

$$P(e) \cdot P(\text{not } b) \cdot P(a | e, \text{not } b) \cdot P(j | a) \cdot P(\text{not } m | a)$$

Using the Joint Prob. Distribution,
any query $P(Q | \text{evidence})$ can be answered

Possible Dataset

B	E	A	J	M
true	true	?	true	false
?	true	?	?	false
...
true	false	?	false	true

Learning Probabilistic Models

Given

- an unknown target function $P: X \rightarrow Y$ $Y=[0,1]$
- a hypothesis space L containing functions $X \rightarrow Y$ (graphical models)
- a dataset of examples $E = \{ (x, _) \mid x \in X \}$ **generative**

- a loss function $loss(h,E) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $\prod_{e \in E} P(e|h)$

Find $h \in L$ that minimizes $loss(h,E)$

maximize likelihood

generative

Observation 2

There has been an enormous progress in solver technology for basic constraint satisfaction and optimization problems

- SAT, ASP, CSP, Constraint programming, maxSAT, weighted model counting, ...
- Many problems are reduced to these basic problems ... and solved efficiently

What about ML/ DM ?

What about FCA ?

Constraint Satisfaction

Given

- a set of variables V
- the domain $D(x)$ of all variables x in V
- a set of constraints C on values these variables can take

Find an assignment of values to variables in V that satisfies all constraints in C

Constraint Satisfaction

Person



P1



P2



P3



P4

Office

1



2



Variables:

P1,P2,P3,P4

with

domain {1, 2 }

Constraints:

P1 != P2

P3 != P4

P1 != 1

Solutions:



Constraint Programming

Two key ideas

- propagation of constraints, e.g., from

$D(P1) = \{1\}$ and $D(P2) = \{1,2,3\}$ and $P1 \neq P2$ infer that $1 \notin D(P2)$ and simplify $D(P2) = \{2,3\}$

***propagator:** if $D(x) = \{d\}$ and $x \neq y$ then delete d from $D(y)$*

- if you cannot propagate, instantiate (or divide) and recurse, e.g.,

call with $D(P2)=\{2\}$ and with $D(P2)=\{3\}$

$P2=2$

$P2=3$

Search

Algorithm 1 Constraint-Search(D)

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& backtrack

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Constraint Programming

There is a lot more to say

- about propagators -- how to modify domains
- about choosing the next variable to instantiate
- about types of constraints and domains used
- about implementations ...
- about modeling languages ...

Observation 3

Solver technology facilitates the development of high-level declarative modeling languages

- specify the **WHAT** -- not the **HOW**
- systems processing constraints should find a solution satisfying the model

Examples include

- ZINC, Essence, constraint programming, ...

Very flexible approach ... not just in constraint programming ... convex optimisation

Main Claim

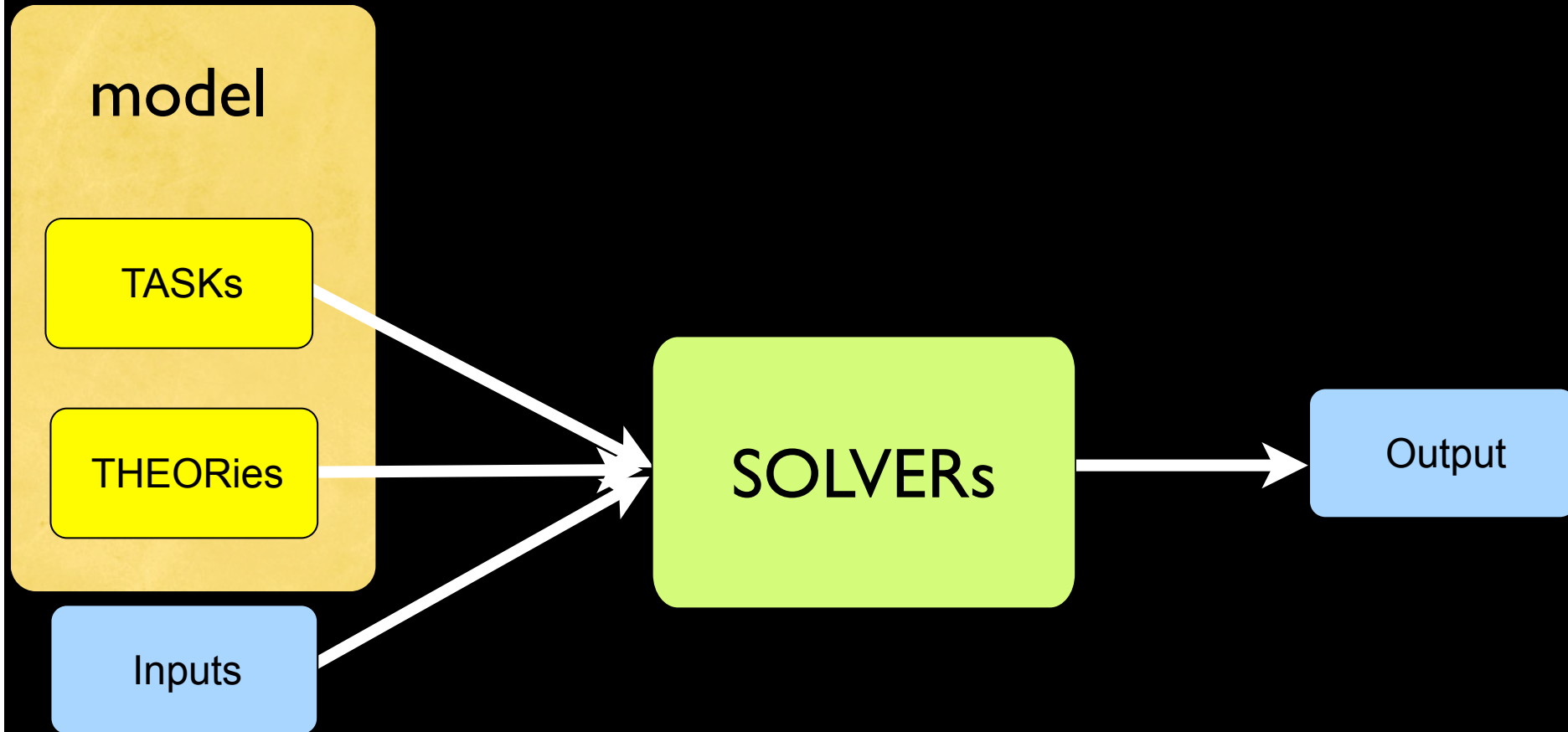
We can obtain programming languages for ML / DM by applying the same principles as constraint programming

Essentially three languages

- **Modeling** -- specify the problem -- the what
- **Solver** -- translation of the problem -- the how
- Programming -- in which everything is embedded

Translation is essential step !

How does it work



Only state **WHAT** the problem is

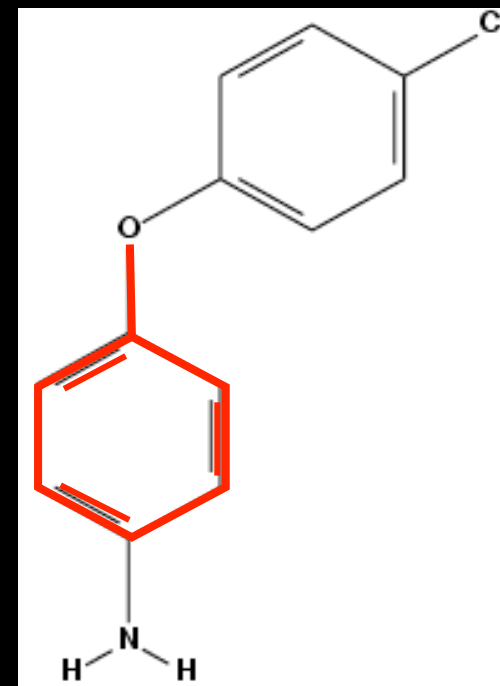
Data = Input

Pattern mining

Another example

Assume

- analysing a dataset
- e.g. molecules
- looking for patterns of interest
- patterns are subgraphs



Itemset Mining

Many interesting problems ... data mining as constraint satisfaction

- which patterns are frequent ?
frequent pattern mining
- which patterns are frequent in the active and infrequent in the inactive compounds ? and do not contain any halogens ? or benzene rings ?
- which patterns are significant w.r.t. classes ?
correlated pattern mining
- all patterns ? k-best patterns ?
- which pattern set is the *best* concept-description for the actives ? for the inactives ?
pattern set mining

still no general system that can do all of this

Pattern mining

- Traditional pattern mining:

$$Th(\mathcal{L}, Q, \mathcal{D}) = \{p \in \mathcal{L} \mid Q(p, \mathcal{D}) = true\}$$

- Correlated pattern mining with function $\phi(p, \mathcal{D})$, (χ^2) ,

$$Th(\mathcal{L}, Q, \mathcal{D}) = \arg_{p \in \mathcal{L}} \max_k \phi(p, \mathcal{D})$$

- Pattern set mining

$$Th(\mathcal{L}, Q, \mathcal{D}) = \{P \subseteq \mathcal{L} \mid Q(P, \mathcal{D}) = true\}$$

Queries/Predicates Q employ *constraints*
such as frequency, generality, closedness, ...

Constraint-Based Mining

Numerous constraints have been used

Numerous systems have been developed

And yet,

- new constraints often require new implementations
- very hard to combine different constraints

There is not yet a modeling language for CBM

Again an analogy with FCA ?

Constraint Programming

Exists since about 20 ? years

A general and generic methodology for dealing with constraints across different domains

Efficient, extendable general-purpose systems exist, and key principles have been identified

Surprisingly CP has not been used for data mining ?

CP systems often more elegant, more flexible and more efficient than special purpose systems

I will argue that this is also true for Data Mining !

Yields a programming/modeling language for CBM

Results in Itemset mining

Use Constraint Programming for

- 1) Local Pattern Mining (using itemsets)
- 2) Correlated Pattern Mining (top-k)
- 3) Mining Patterns Sets (submitted)

[KDD 08, KDD 09, ECML/PKDD 10, AAAI 10, AIJ 11, IEEE TKDE 11]

Results by Guns, Nijssen and De Raedt

Provides evidence for main claims !

Itemset mining

Let's try to apply CP for item-set mining,
the simplest form of data mining







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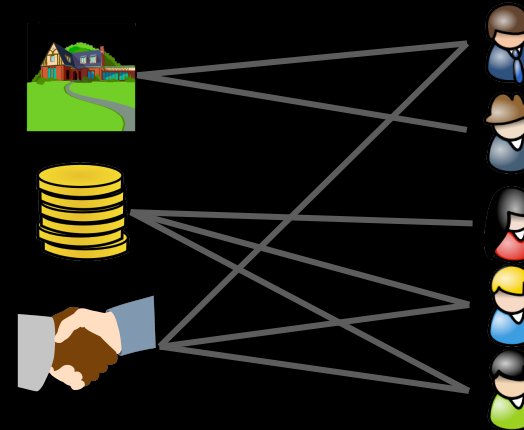
- $\mathcal{L} = 2^{\mathcal{I}}$, i.e., itemsets
- $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{L}$, i.e., transactions
- $Q(p, \mathcal{D}) = true$ if $freq(p, \mathcal{D}) \geq t$

Data Set

Items

Transactions

			
	+	×	+
	+	×	×
	×	+	×
	×	+	+
	×	+	+



$D_{ti} = 0 \text{ or } 1$

frequency   = 2

Frequent Item Set Mining in MiningZinc

```
int: NrI; int: NrT; int: Freq;  
array[1..NrT] of set of int: D;  
  
var set of 1..NrI: Itemset;  
var set of 1..NrT: Trans;  
  
constraint card(Trans) >= Freq;  
constraint forall (t in ub(Trans)) (  
  t in Trans  $\leftrightarrow$  Itemset subset D[t] )  
  
solve satisfy;
```

Math-like notation

User defined constraints

Efficient solving

Possible to efficiently translate this using the techniques to follow for a wide range of constraints

Specifying the WHAT -- how to translate ?

Closed Freq. Itemset Mining

```
int: NrI; int: NrT; int: Freq;
array[1..NrT] of set of int: D;

var set of 1..NrI: Itemset;
var set of 1..NrT: Trans;

constraint card(Trans) >= Freq;

constraint Trans = cover(Itemset, D);
constraint Itemset = cover_inv(Trans, D);

solve satisfy;
```

- Closure constraints:

```
function var set of int: cover(Itemset, D) = let {
    var set of int: Trans,
    constraint forall (t in ub(Trans)) (
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} in Trans;

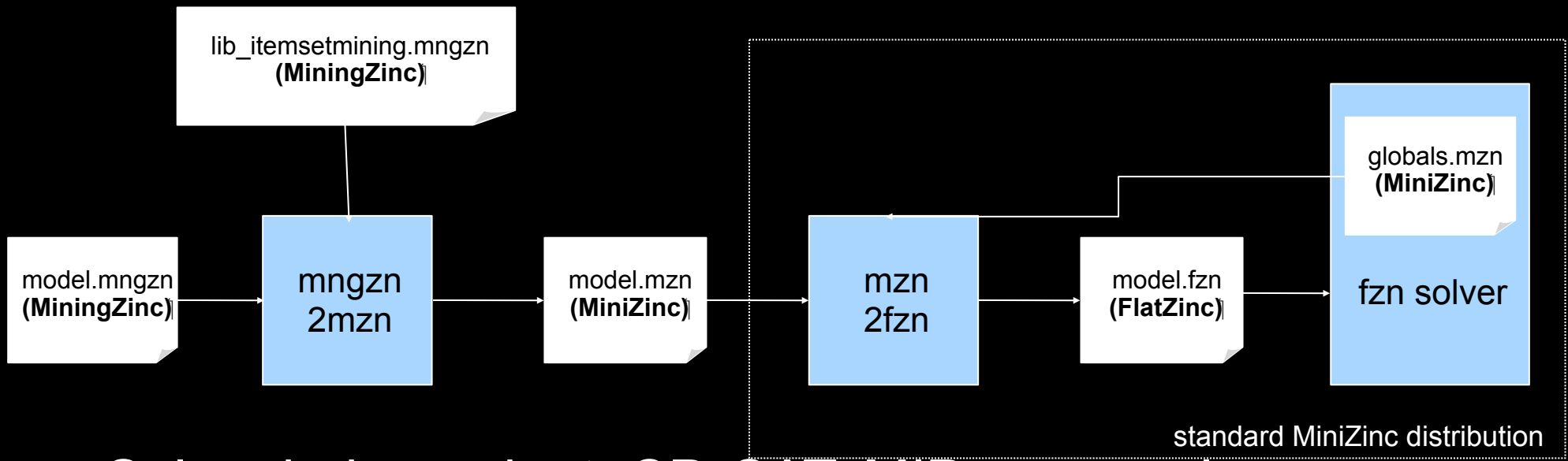
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MiningZinc

- Math-like notation
- User-defined constraints
- Efficient solving

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```
function var set of int: frequency(Itemset, D) = ...  
function var set of int: cover(Itemset, D) = ...
```



- Solver independent: CP, SAT, MIP, spec. solvers, ...

The Model in Essence'

Algorithm 1 The basic fim_cp model in Essence'

```
1: given NrT, NrI : int
2: given TDB : matrix indexed by [int(1..NrT),int(1..NrI)] of bool
3: given Freq : int
4: find Items : matrix indexed by [int(1..NrI)] of bool
5: find Trans : matrix indexed by [int(1..NrT)] of bool
6: such that
7: $ encode TDB: every Trans its complement has no supported Items
8: forall t: int(1..NrT).
9:    $Trans[t] \Leftrightarrow ((\text{sum } i: \text{int}(1..NrI). !TDB[t,i]*Items[i]) \leq 0)$ ,
10: $ frequency: every Item is supported by sufficiently many Trans
11: forall i: int(1..NrI).
12:    $Items[i] \Rightarrow ((\text{sum } t: \text{int}(1..NrT). TDB[t,i]*Trans[t]) \geq \text{Freq})$ 
```

Solver language
Translated model

$$\forall t : T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_i I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

$$\sum_t T_t \geq \text{minsup} \quad \text{iff} \quad \forall i : I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t T_t D_{ti} \geq \text{minsup}$$

We use Gecode !

Encoding a Data Set



Vectors as itemsets $I_i = 0$ or 1

0 1 1



and transactionsets $T_t = 0$ or 1

0 0 0 1 1

Goal find all itemsets (I, T) such that

- I is frequent & I covers exactly T 's transactions
- $\text{frequency}(I, D) > \text{Freq}$ AND $T = \text{covers}(\text{Itemset}, D)$

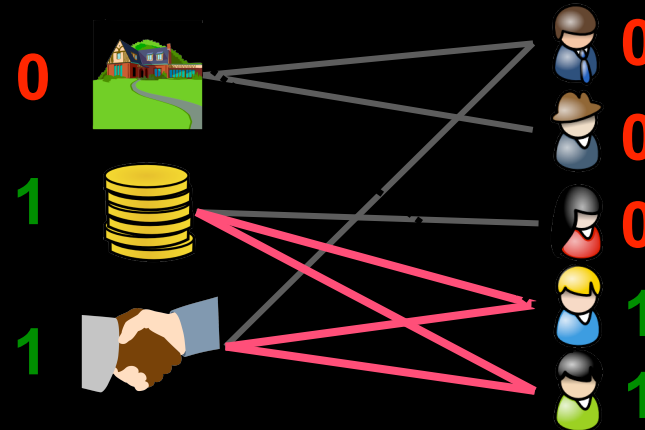
Encoding a Data Set

frequent

$$\sum_t T_t \geq \text{minsup}$$

exact coverage =

T is extension of I



$$T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_i I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0 \quad \text{reified constraint}$$

for all $i : I_i = 0$ or $(I_i = 1 \text{ and } (1 - D_{ti}) = 0)$

for all $i : I_i = 0$ or $(I_i = 1 \text{ and } D_{ti} = 1)$

where $D_{ti=1}$ if transaction t contains item i

Reified Frequency

		i1	i2	i3	i4
		0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1
t1	0/1	1	0	1	1
t2	0/1	1	1	0	1
t3	0/1	0	0	1	1

$$\forall i : I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t T_t D_{ti} \geq \text{minsup}$$

IF $i1=1$ THEN $t1+t2 \geq \text{freq}$

Exact Coverage

		i1	i2	i3	i4
		0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1
t1	0/1	1	0	1	1
t2	0/1	1	1	0	1
t3	0/1	0	0	1	1

$$\forall t : T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_i I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

IF $t1=1$ THEN $i2=0$

One Propagator

Reified constraints of the form $C \Leftrightarrow x$.

- decompose into $C \Rightarrow x$ and $C \Leftarrow x$
- for $C \Rightarrow x$ do:
 - IF $0 \in D(x)$ and C THEN delete 0 from $D(x)$
 - IF $D(x) = 0$ THEN apply propagators for $\neg C$
- for $C \Leftarrow x$ do:
 - IF $1 \in D(x)$ and $\neg C$ THEN delete 1 from $D(x)$
 - IF $D(x) = 1$ THEN apply propagators for C

Another Propagator

Summation constraint: $\sum_{x \in V} w_x x \geq \theta$
with variables V and real-valued weights w_x

Define $x^{max} = \max_{d \in D(x)} d$ and $x^{min} = \min_{d \in D(x)} d$
 $V^+ = \{x \in V \mid w_x \geq 0\}$ and $V^- = \{x \in V \mid w_x < 0\}$.

Then

$\sum_{x \in V^-} w_x x^{min} + \sum_{x \in V^+} w_x x^{max} \geq \theta$
must be satisfied

Another Propagator

```
IF  $\sum_{x \in V^-} w_x x^{min} + \sum_{x \in V^+} w_x x^{max} \geq \theta$   
    IF  $\sum_{x \in V^-} w_x x^{min} + \sum_{x \in V^+ \setminus \{x'\}} w_x x^{max} < \theta$   
        THEN  $D(x') = \{1\}$   
    ENDIF  
ELSE  $D(x') = \emptyset$   
ENDIF
```

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \geq 2,$$
$$D(x_1) = \{1\}, D(x_2) = \{0, 1\}, D(x_3) = \{0, 1\};$$

One of x_2 and x_3 must have the value 1, but if

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \geq 3,$$
$$D(x_1) = \{1\}, D(x_2) = \{0, 1\}, D(x_3) = \{0, 1\};$$

the propagator determines that $D(x_2) = D(x_3) = \{1\}$.

Exact Coverage

		i1	i2	i3	i4
		0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1
t1	0/1	1	0	1	1
t2	0/1	1	1	0	1
t3	0/1	0	0	1	1

$$\forall t : T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_i I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

IF $t1=1$ THEN $i2=0$

Reified Frequency

		i1	i2	i3	i4
		0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1
t1	0/1	1	0	1	1
t2	0/1	1	1	0	1
t3	0/1	0	0	1	1

$$\forall i : I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t T_t D_{ti} \geq \text{minsup}$$

IF $i1=1$ THEN $t1+t2 \geq \text{freq}$

Example

propagate i2 freq

		i1	i2	i3	i4
		0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1
t1	0/1	1	0	1	1
t2	0/1	1	1	0	1
t3	0/1	0	0	1	1

$$\forall t : T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

$$\forall i : I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t T_t D_{ti} \geq \text{minsup}$$

Example

propagate t1
coverage

	i1	i2	i3	i4
	0/1	0	0/1	0/1
t1 0/1	1	0	1	1
t2 0/1	1	1	0	1
t3 0/1	0	0	1	1

$$\forall t : T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

$$\forall i : I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t T_t D_{ti} \geq \text{minsup}$$

Example

	i1	i2	i3	i4
t1	1	0	1	1
t2	0/1	1	0	1
t3	0/1	0	1	1

branch $i1 = 1$

$$\forall t : T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

$$\forall i : I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t T_t D_{ti} \geq \text{minsup}$$

Example

propagate t3
coverage

		i1	i2	i3	i4
		1	0	0/1	0/1
t1	1	1	0	1	1
t2	0/1	1	1	0	1
t3	0	0	0	1	1

$$\forall t : T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

$$\forall i : I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t T_t D_{ti} \geq \text{minsup}$$

Example

propagate i3 freq

		i1	i2	i3	i4
		1	0	0	0/1
t1	1	1	0	1	1
t2	0/1	1	1	0	1
t3	0	0	0	1	1

$$\forall t : T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

$$\forall i : I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t T_t D_{ti} \geq \text{minsup}$$

Example

propagate t2
coverage

		i1	i2	i3	i4
		1	0	0	0/1
t1	1	1	0	1	1
t2	1	1	1	0	1
t3	0	0	0	1	1

$$\forall t : T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

$$\forall i : I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t T_t D_{ti} \geq \text{minsup}$$

Example

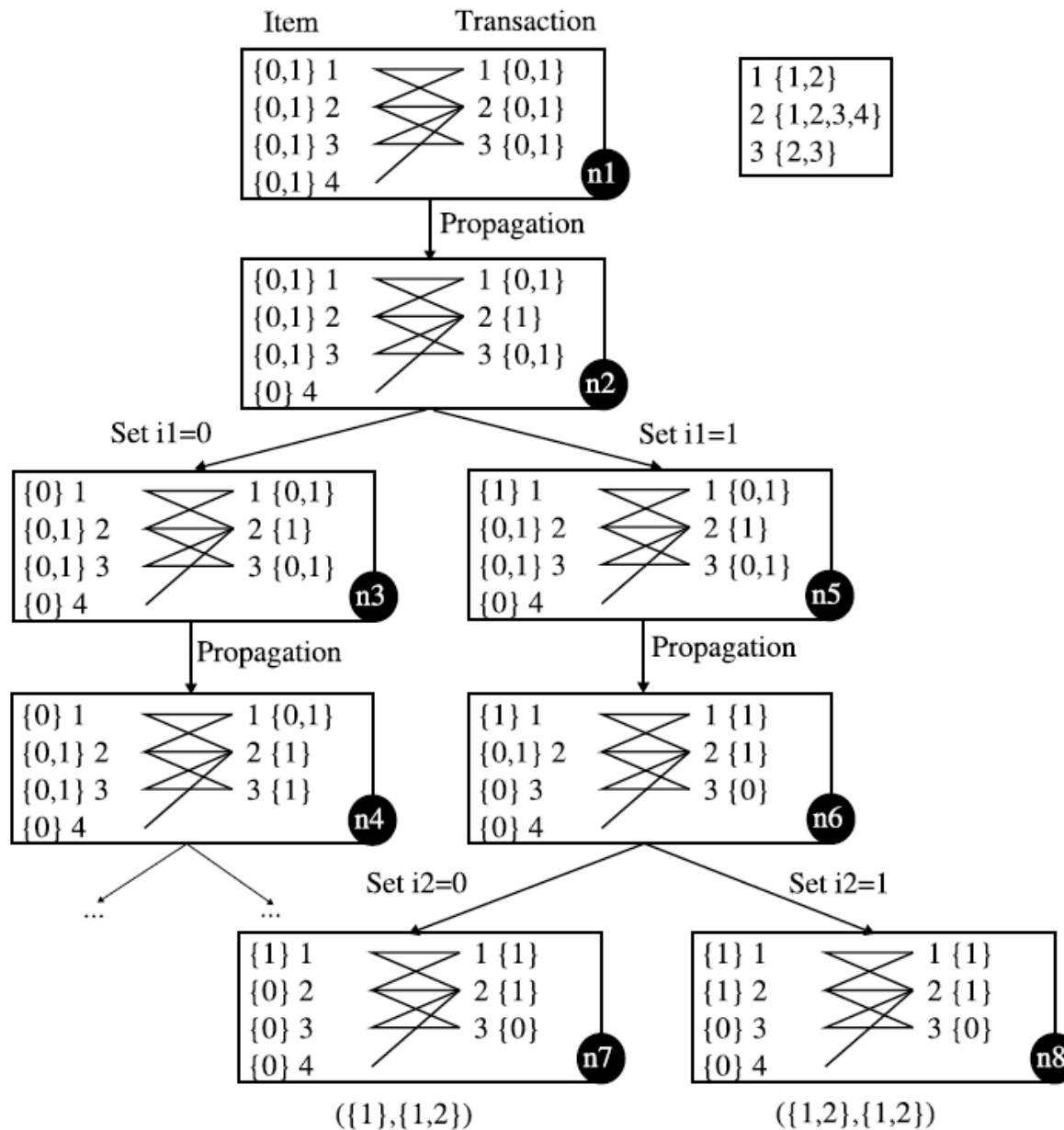
propagate i4 freq

		i1	i2	i3	i4
		1	0	0	1
t1	1	1	0	1	1
t2	1	1	1	0	1
t3	0	0	0	1	1

$$\forall t : T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

$$\forall i : I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t T_t D_{ti} \geq \text{minsup}$$

Search Tree



Further Constraints

monotonic and anti-monotonic

emerging patterns (use two datasets)

(delta)-closed sets and (delta)-free sets

correlated patterns (e.g. significant patterns)

maximal sets

convertible constraints (e.g. min average cost item)

as well as numerous combinations possible

Exact Coverage (always needed)

$$T_t = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_i I_i (1 - D_{ti}) = 0$$

Frequent Itemsets

Easy to change !

$$I_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_t D_{ti} T_t \geq \text{minsup}$$

Maximal Itemsets (supersets are not frequent)

$$I_i = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_t D_{ti} T_t \geq \text{minsup}$$

Closed Itemsets (supersets have strictly lower frequency)

$$I_i = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_t T_t (1 - D_{ti}) = 0 \quad + \text{ Frequency}$$

delta Closed Itemsets

$$I_i = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_t T_t (1 - \delta - D_{ti}) \leq 0 \quad + \text{ Frequency}$$

Other Systems

	LCM [15]	MAFIA [6]	ExAMiner [4]	DualMiner [5]	CP
Constraints on data					
Minimum frequency	X	X	X	X	X
Maximum frequency				X	X
Emerging patterns					X
Condensed Representations					
Maximal	X	X		X	X
Closed	X	X			X
δ -Closed					X
Constraints on syntax					
Max/Min total cost			X	X	X
Minimum average cost			X		X
Max/Min size	X	X	X	X	X

Table 1: Comparison of Itemset Miners

most flexible system today CP 4 IM - downloadable

Experiments

	#Trans.	#Items	Density	#Patterns 1%
German Credit	1000	77	0.28	29 088 485
Letter	20000	74	0.33	1 037 221 530
Segment	2310	74	0.51	(time out)

Compared to
LCM
Mafia
Patternist

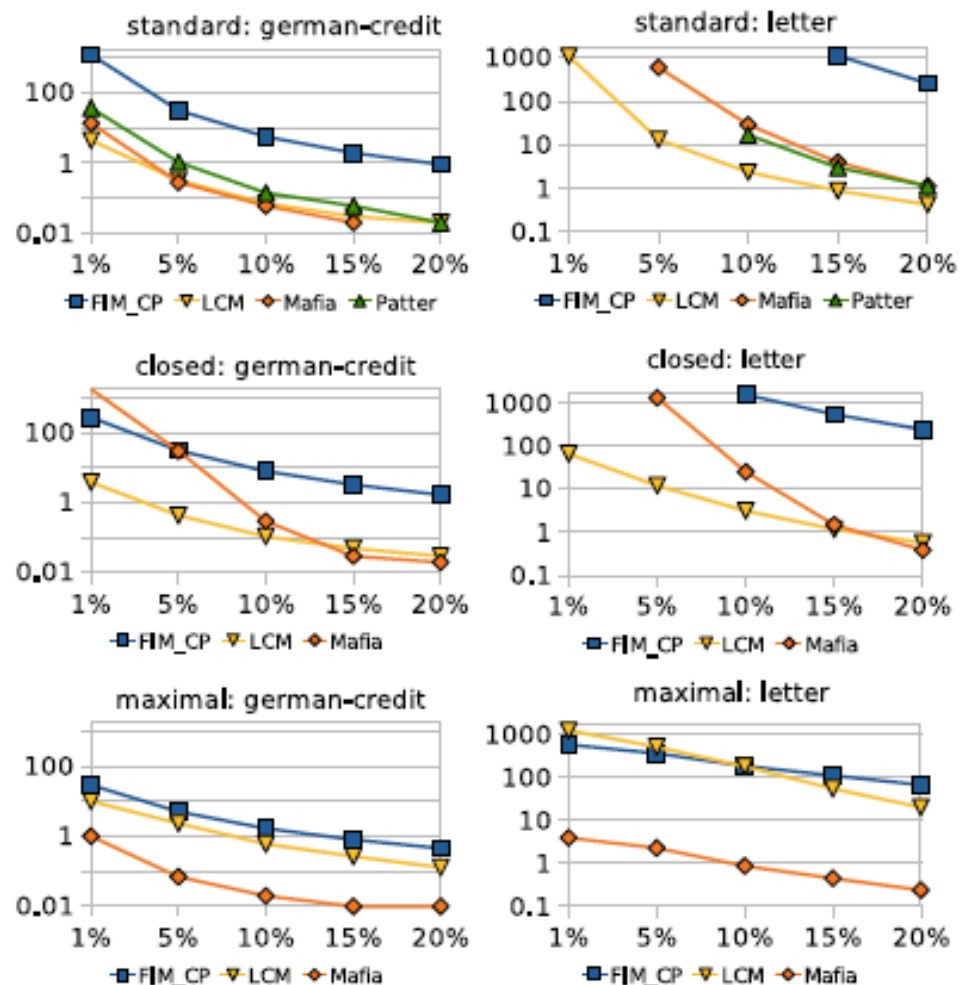


Figure 3: Runtimes of itemset miners on standard problems for different values of minimum support

Experiments

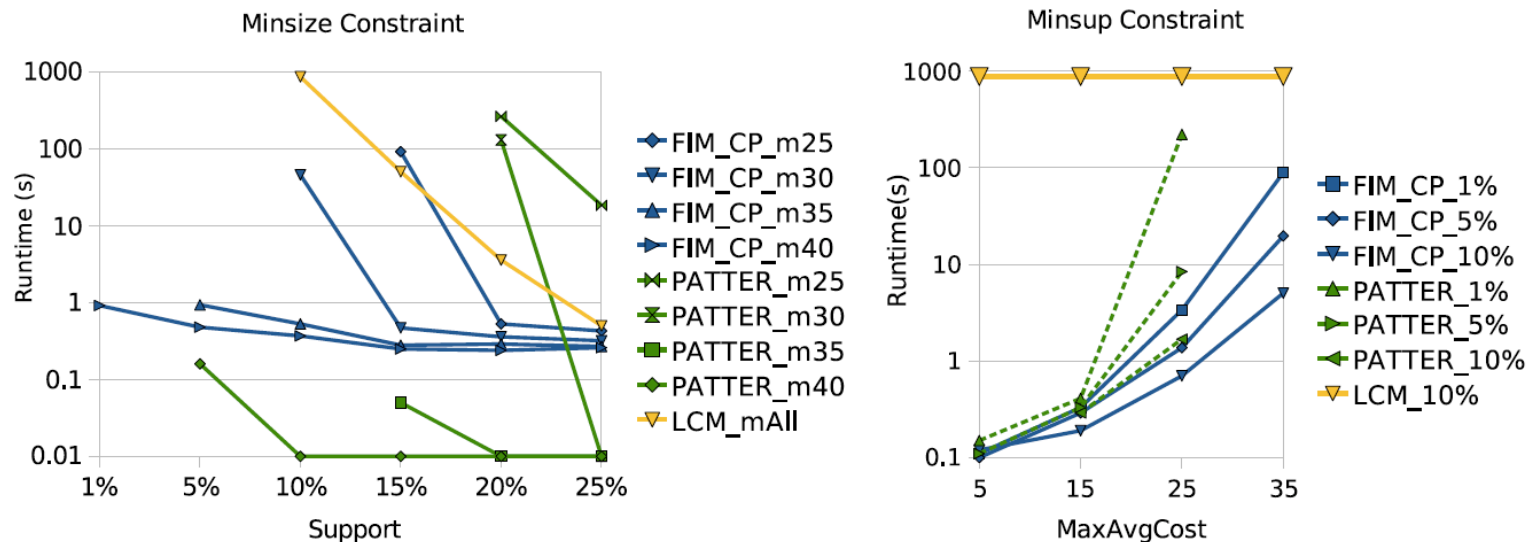


Figure 4: Runtimes of itemset miners on Segment data under constraints

For highly constrained problems, already competitive

CP for Itemset Mining

CP already competitive when having strong constraints

CP can easily handle new constraints and new combinations of constraints

General purpose.

Proof of principle as how to translate high-level model into solver language

Challenges

In Constraint Programming, different solvers optimized for different domains (reals, discrete domains, ...)

In Data Mining, different pattern types and data

- graphs, trees, sequences with CP ?

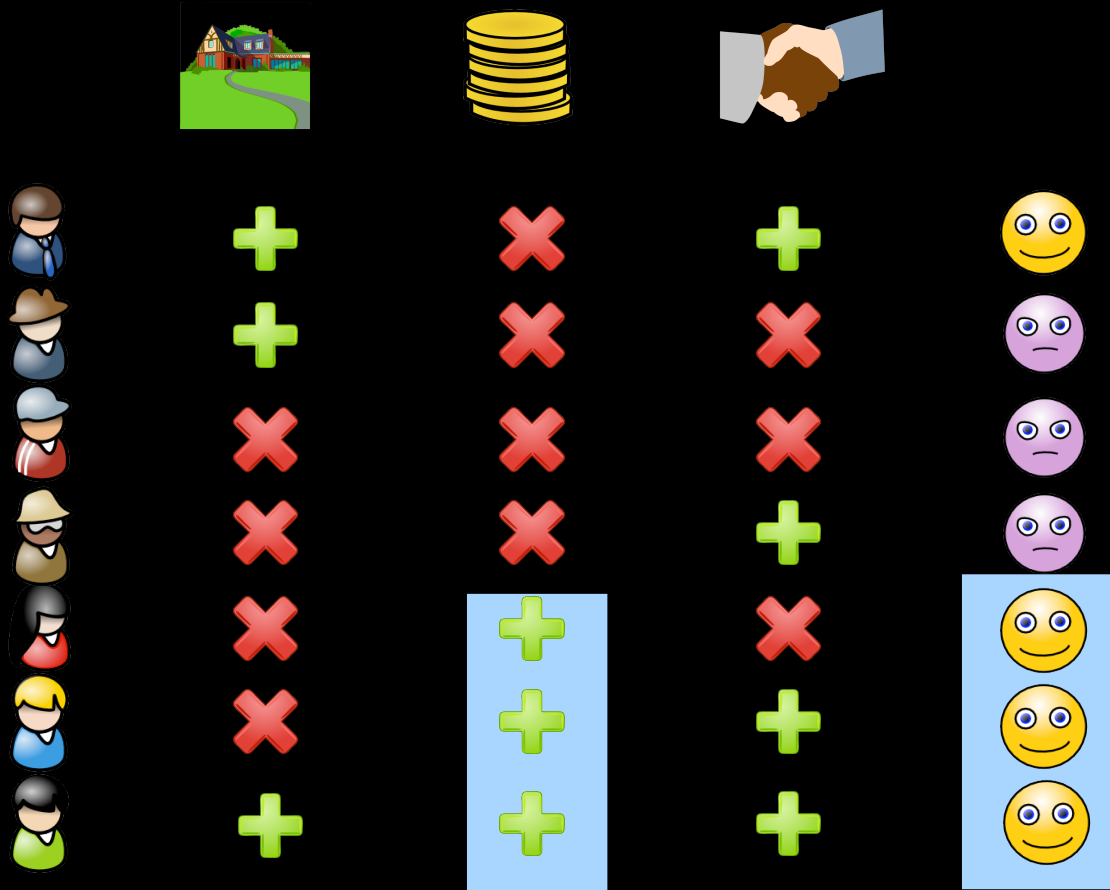
Large numbers of reified constraints unusual for CP



CP for Correlated Pattern Mining

Top-k Correlated Pattern Mining

- \mathcal{D} now consists of two datasets, say P and N
- a correlation function $\phi(p, \mathcal{D})$, e.g., χ^2
- $Th(\mathcal{L}, Q, \mathcal{D}) = \arg_{p \in \mathcal{L}} \max_k \phi(p, \mathcal{D})$

Correlated Itemset Mining



			
cov	3	0	3
not	1	3	4
	4	3	

Correlated/Discriminative Itemset Mining

→

```
int: NrI; int: NrT; int: Freq;
array[1..NrT] of set of int: D;
set of int: pos; set of int: neg;

var set of 1..NrI: Itemset;
var set of 1..NrT: Trans;

constraint Trans = cover(Itemset, D);
constraint Itemset = cover_inv(Trans, D);

solve maximize
    card(Trans intersect pos) - card(Trans intersect neg);
```

accuracy →

Alternative opt. functions, for example:

```
solve maximize chi2(Trans, pos, neg);
```

with:

```
function float: chi2(Trans, pos, neg) = ...
```

Function should not be decomposed;
automatically derive a bound?

Specifying the WHAT -- how to translate ?

Correlation function

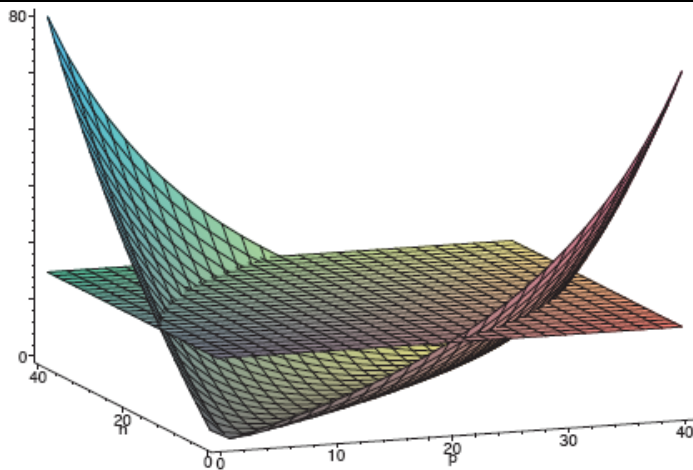
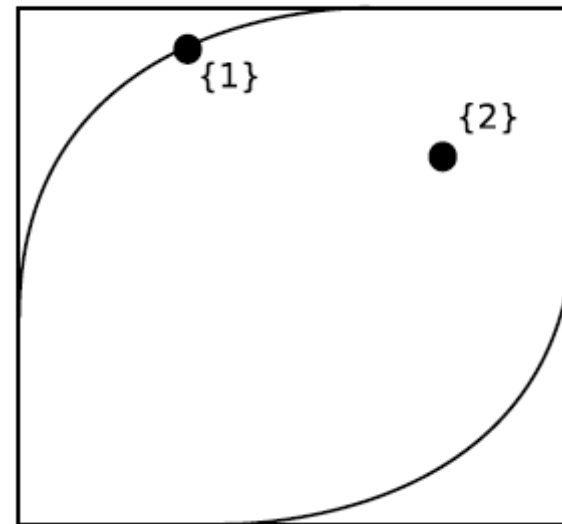


Figure 1: A plot of the χ^2 scoring function, and a threshold on χ^2 .



Projection on PN-space
Nijssen KDID

l-support bound

Han et al.
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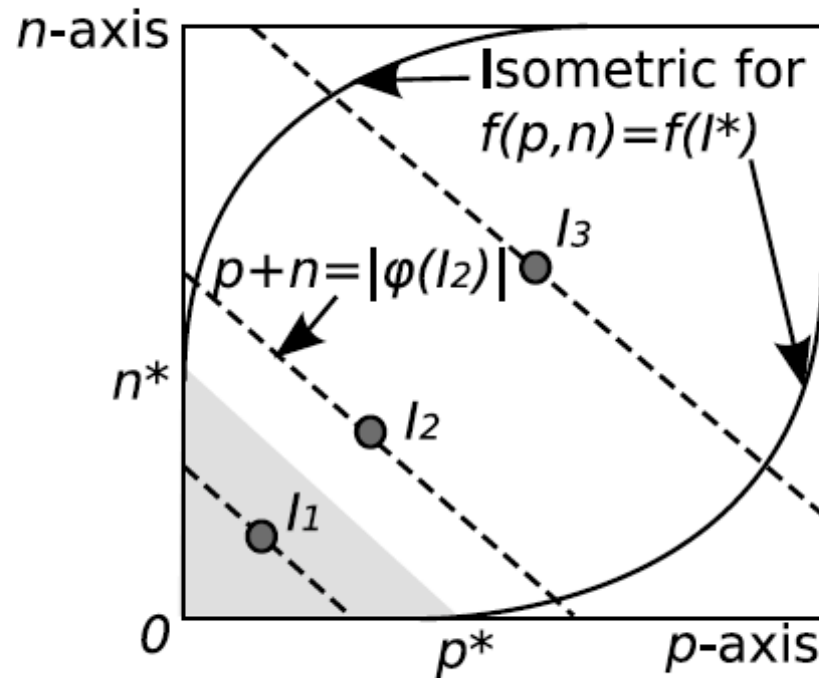


Figure 2: The 1-support bound in PN-space.

2-support bound

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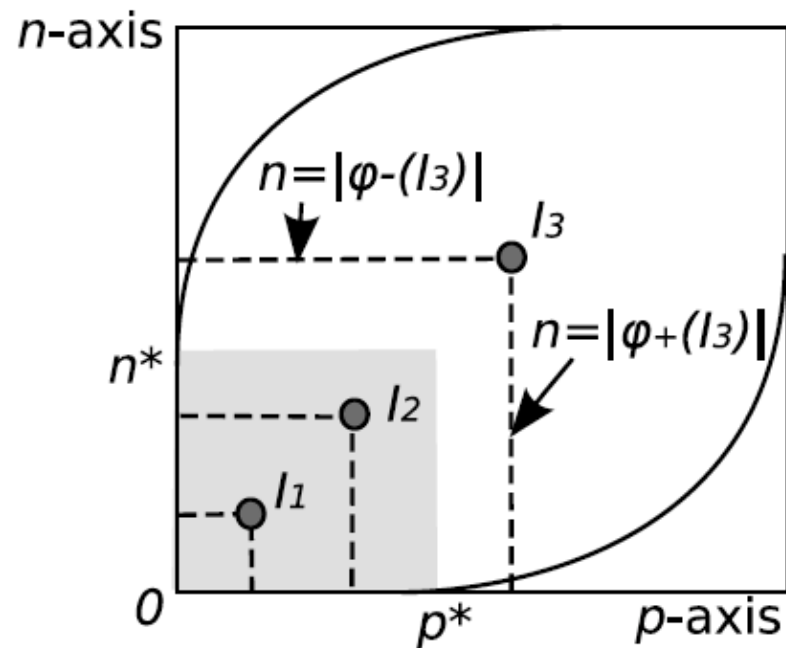


Figure 3: The 2-support bound in PN-space.

4-support bound

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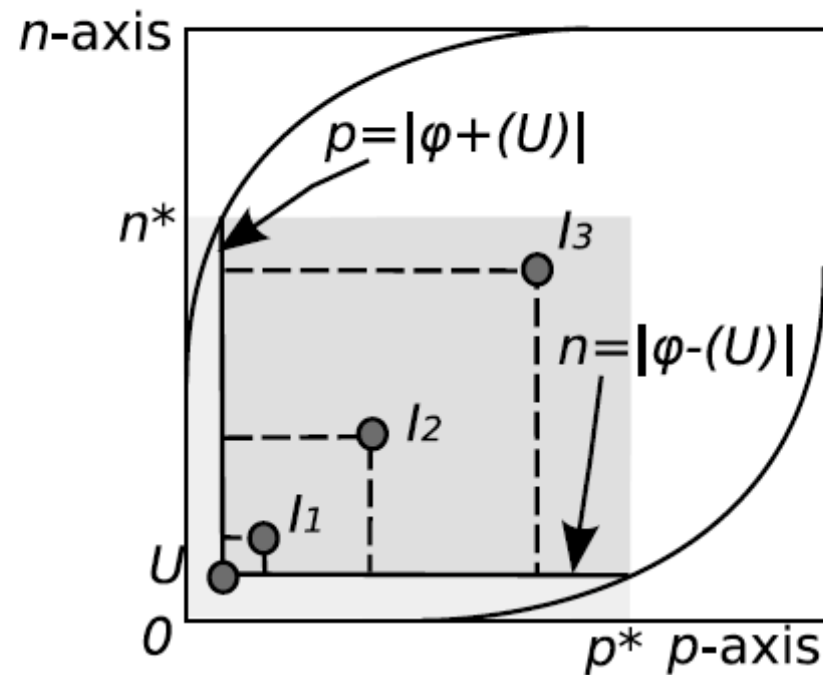
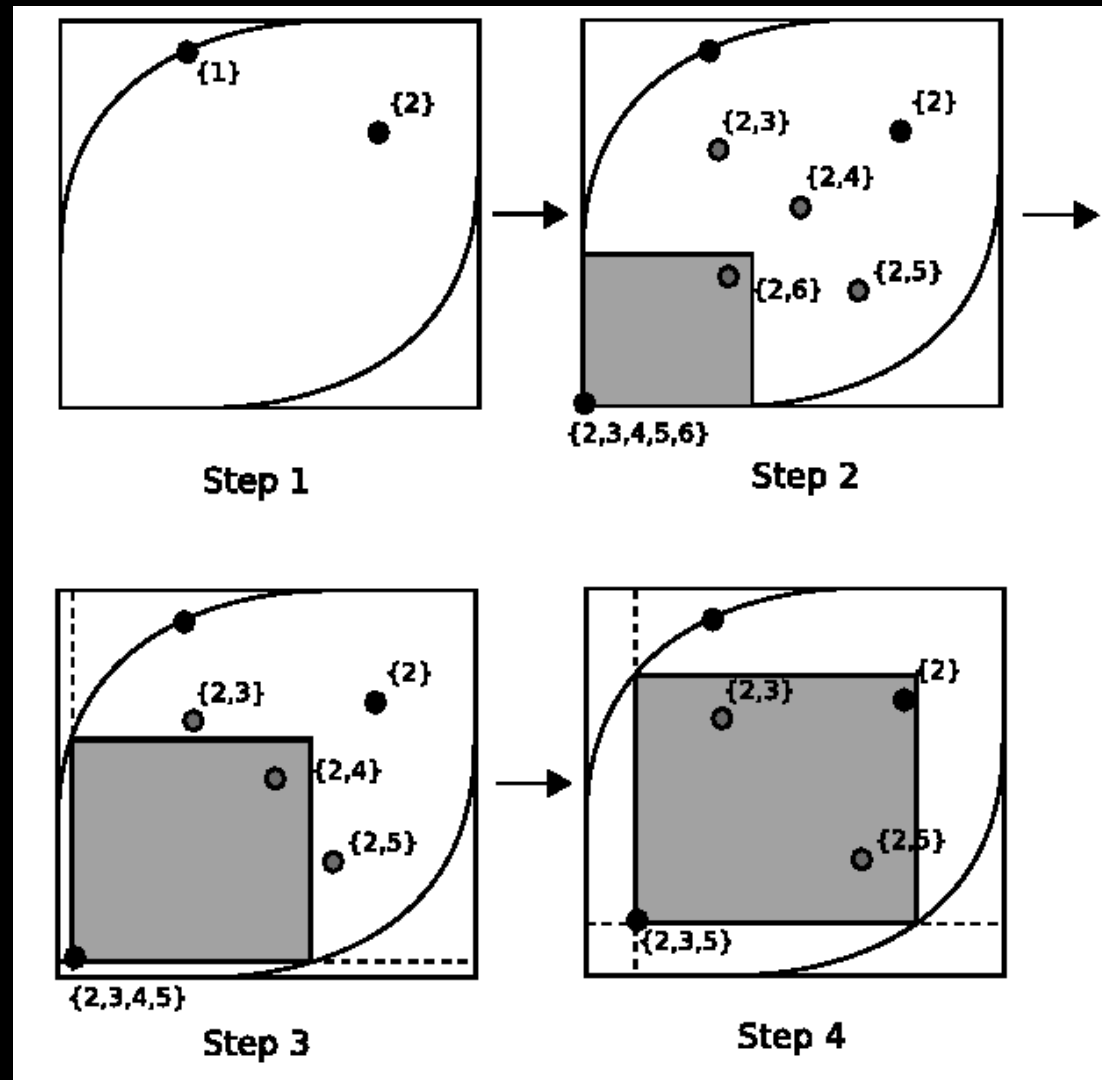


Figure 4: The 4-support bound in PN-space.

Illustration



Experiments

Name	Density	4-supp.	2-supp.	1-supp.
anneal	0.45	0.22	24.09	72.71
australian-credit	0.41	0.30	0.63	17.52
breast-wisconsin	0.5	0.28	13.66	228.08
diabetes	0.5	2.45	128.04	>
german-credit	0.34	2.39	66.79	>
heart-cleveland	0.47	0.19	2.15	29.58
hypothyroid	0.49	0.71	10.91	>
ionosphere	0.5	1.44	>	>
kr-vs-kp	0.49	0.92	46.20	713.35
letter	0.5	52.66	>	>
mushroom	0.18	14.11	13.48	27.31
pendigits	0.5	3.68	>	>
primary-tumor	0.48	0.03	0.13	0.85
segment	0.5	1.45	>	>
soybean	0.32	0.05	0.07	0.38
splice-1	0.21	30.41	31.11	35.02
vehicle	0.5	0.85	>	>
yeast	0.49	5.67	781.63	>

900s
timeout

Constraint Programming

It works (extremely well)

- written another propagator
- whenever a pattern satisfying the constraint is found update the threshold

Pattern Set Mining

Pattern Sets

Most data miners are not directly interested in all solutions or the top-k solutions to a pattern mining task, but typically post-process

Patterns are then used as features in classifiers or clusterers

So, why not apply constraint based mining to pattern sets directly ? [Zimmermann *PhD. 2009*] [Guns et al, IEEE TKDE]

Pattern Sets

Consider a set of itemsets

$$\{\{a, b, c\}, \{b, d, e\}, \{c, e, f\}\}$$

Can be interpreted as DNF expression

$$(a \wedge b \wedge c) \vee (b \wedge d \wedge e) \vee (c \wedge e \wedge f)$$

Useful for concept-learning and clustering

from local to global pattern mining

Pattern Sets

Can we apply Constraint-Based Mining to Pattern Set Mining ? $Th(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{Q}, \mathcal{D}) = \{P \subseteq \mathcal{L} \mid \mathcal{Q}(P, \mathcal{D}) = true\}$

What are meaningful constraints ?

- local constraints on $I \in P$ such as $freq(I, \mathcal{D}) \geq minsup$
- constraints on all pairs of patterns $I_1, I_2 \in P$, e.g.
 $|covers(I_1, \mathcal{D}) \cap covers(I_2, \mathcal{D})| \leq t$
- global constraints $freq(P, \mathcal{D}) \geq t'$
- correlation, top-k, ...

Properties

Many properties of local pattern mining carry over, though sometimes in a subtle way, e.g.

$$(a \wedge b \wedge c) \vee (b \wedge d \wedge e)$$

is more specific than

$$(a \wedge b \wedge c) \vee (b \wedge d \wedge e) \vee (c \wedge e \wedge f)$$

Thus

$$\text{freq}((a \wedge b \wedge c) \vee (b \wedge d \wedge e)) \leq \text{freq}((a \wedge b \wedge c) \vee (b \wedge d \wedge e) \vee (c \wedge e \wedge f))$$

Thus, anti-monotonicity reversed

One Step Pattern Set Mining

Recent work : mine directly for

$$Th(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{Q}, \mathcal{D}) = \{P \subseteq \mathcal{L} \mid \mathcal{Q}(P, \mathcal{D}) = true\}$$

where $|P| = k \Rightarrow$ **k-pattern set mining**

using CP
clustering,
concept-learning
redescription mining
tiling

k-Pattern Sets

Key idea:

- fix the number of considered patterns in the set to k
- replace (T, I) by (T, I_1, \dots, I_k) and specify constraints as before, ensure also that one does not obtain permutations of patterns ...
- add optimization criterion ... to find best k -pattern set

Pattern Set Mining

```
int: Nrl; int: NrT;      int K;  
array[1..NrT] of set of int: TDB;  
set of int: pos; set of int: neg;  
  
% pattern set  
array[1..K] of var set of 1..Nrl: Items;  
constraint lexleq(Items); % remove symmetries  
  
% every pattern is closed 'on the positives'  
constraint let { TDBp = [TDB[t] | t in pos] } in  
    forall (d in 1..K) (  
        Items[d] = cover_inv(cover(Items[d], TDBp), TDBp)  
    )  
  
% accuracy of pattern set  
solve maximize  
    let { Trans = union(d in 1..K) (cover(Items[d], TDB)) } in  
    card(Trans intersect pos) - card(Trans intersect neg);
```

Generality

Can model instantiations of:

- Concept learning (k-term DNF learning)
- Conceptual clustering
- k-Tiling
- Redescription mining
- ...

k-**P**attern Set Mining

Key points:

- A general modeling language for such tasks
- One-step exhaustive mining using CP
- Lessons about the interaction between local and global constraints

Conclusions Pattern Mining

Constraint programming --

- largely unexplored in data mining/machine learning though directly applicable
- using constraint programming principles results in a declarative modeling language for ML/DM
- using constraint programming solvers results in good performance
- several interesting open questions and new perspective

http://dtai.cs.kuleuven.be/CP4IM



The screenshot shows the homepage of the CP4IM project. At the top left is the logo, which consists of the letters 'CP' in a blue circle, '4' in a green circle, and 'IM' in a blue circle. To the right of the logo is the title 'Constraint Programming for Itemset Mining'. Below the title is a navigation menu with links for 'Home', 'Download', 'FIM_CP', 'CIMCP', 'Datasets', and 'Publications'. The main content area is divided into several sections. On the right side, there are two yellow boxes: one for 'FIM_CP' with links to 'Latest version: FIM_CP 2.1' and 'Documentation', and another for 'CIMCP' with links to 'Latest version: CIMCP 2.1' and 'Documentation'. The main content area has two columns. The left column is titled 'Constraint-based itemset mining' and describes the FIM_CP framework, listing various features like different interestingness measures, condensed representations, and item constraints. The right column is titled 'Discriminative itemset mining' and describes the CIMCP framework, listing features like any convex or monotone function, many different domains, and other constraints. At the bottom left, there is a 'News' section with dates and links to releases and videos.

CP4IM Constraint Programming for Itemset Mining

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Welcome to CP4IM: Constraint Programming for Itemset Mining

This website aims to gather information about the usage of Constraint Programming in Itemset Mining and Pattern Mining in general.

Publications, datasets, software and extra documentation are all available on this website.

Constraint-based itemset mining
Mining all itemsets that satisfy the constraints

FIM_CP is the most flexible itemset mining framework to date. The declarative language allows one to express and combine many different constraints. The constraint solver will use those constraints effectively to prune the search space. Some capabilities of the framework:

- **Different interestingness measures** including frequent itemsets, discriminating itemsets and emerging itemsets.
- **Different condensed representations** including closed itemset mining (formal concept learning), delta-closed itemset mining and maximal itemset mining.
- **Different item constraints** where one can put a threshold on both the minimum or the maximum value. Examples of properties that can be constrained are the size of the itemset, or in case the cost over every item is known, the total or average cost of the itemset.
- **Combining constraints** all of the above constraints can be easily combined, as well as any other constraint that one can express. The constraint solver guarantees the correct execution of the whole.

More information in the [documentation](#) and the [paper](#).

Discriminative itemset mining
Mining the top-k itemsets wrt. a correlation function

CIMCP is the discriminative/correlated itemset mining framework with the most effective pruning to date.

- **Any convex or monotone function** using the number of positive and negative examples covered can be used. Examples of convex functions are information gain, chi-square, gini index and fisher score. Examples of monotone functions are accuracy, relative accuracy and laplace.
- **Many different domains** use this kind of functions, including contact set mining, emerging pattern mining and subgroup discovery, but it has also been named k-optimal pattern discovery, interesting itemset mining, emerging itemset mining, discriminative itemset mining and correlated itemset mining. Lastly, many of the functions used have their origin in rule learning.
- **Other constraints** can be easily added in the search, as CIMCP is built on FIM_CP.

More information in the [documentation](#) and the [paper](#).

News, 2009-12-17:

- Release: New release of FIM_CP and CIMCP, now with better Mac support and using gccode-3.2.2
- Video: Invited talk by Prof. De Raedt on the general view of Constraint Programming for Data Mining, [video available](#) (skip french introduction)

Several open questions

What range of tasks can we model ?

Which modeling primitives do we need?

Do we need to adapt the solvers ? approximate solvers ?

Which translations to use ?

How to incorporate optimization ?

Zinc is only one framework ? What about others ?

Constraint satisfaction + Constrained Optimization

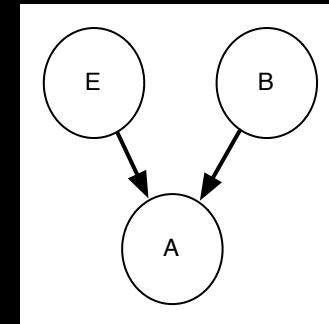
Other forms of ML/DM

Same principles should apply to

- probabilistic models and statistical relational learning
- other forms of machine learning
- power of kernel and SVM methods comes from convex optimization (but **at solver level**)

Bayesian network learning

```
type state=record(boolean:A,E,B);  
int NrEx;  
array[1..NrEx] of state: Data;  
var probdistribution for state: p;  
constraint p(A,E,B) = p(E) * p(B) * p(A | E,B);  
  
solve maximize likelihood(p,Data);
```



```
function var probability: likelihood(p,Data)= let {  
    ...  
};
```

Probabilistic Programming

Integrate probabilistic models into programming languages

Strongly tied to Statistical Relational Learning

Several such languages exist ... the alphabet soup

- Church, Prism, IBAL, Blog, ProbLog, kLog, CLP(BN), Figaro, ...
- integrated in programming languages such as Scheme, Prolog, Ocaml, Scala

Alarms

0.01:: earthquake.

0.02:: burglary.

alarm :- burglary.

alarm :- earthquake.

calls(X) :-

neighbor(X), alarm, pcall(X).

0.7::pcall(X).

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Problog is a probabilistic Prolog, a probabilistic logic programming language. It is available for download and it is well documented. It has been integrated in YAP-Prolog.

This website contains all the information to install and run Problog. Datasets are available for download in preprocessed form, to allow for comparison with different techniques. The publication section contains the scientific papers that were published on this matter.

Mailing List

There is a mailing list where updates are announced and where you can discuss with other users and developers of Problog.

- Subscribing, unsubscribing and browsing the archive can be done [here](#)
- If you are subscribed, you can send a message to all people on the list by writing to PROBLOG@LISTSERV.CC.KULEUVEN.AC.BE

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Other SRL Systems

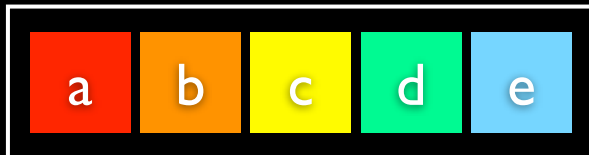
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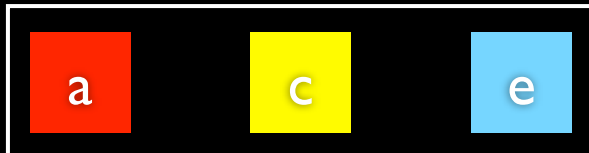
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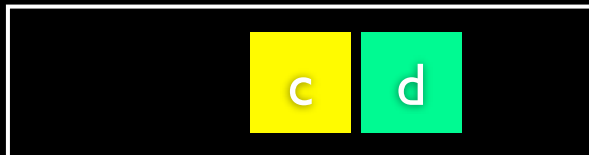
Distribution over possible Worlds



$$p_a \cdot p_b \cdot p_c \cdot p_d \cdot p_e$$



$$p_a \cdot (1 - p_b) \cdot p_c \cdot (1 - p_d) \cdot p_e$$



$$(1 - p_a) \cdot (1 - p_b) \cdot p_c \cdot p_d \cdot (1 - p_e)$$

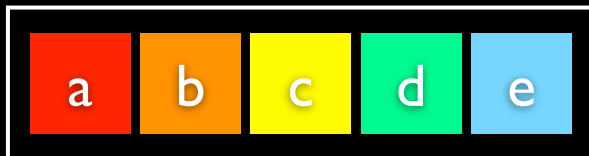


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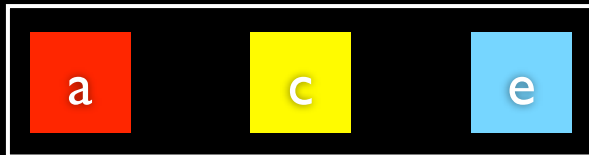
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Semantics

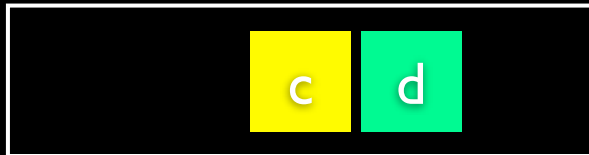
Prob(Q) and Pr(Q|E)



true



false



false



false

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positive :-  
  a,b,c  
positive :-  
  b,c,d  
positive :-  
  b,d,e.  
?-P(positive).  
?-P(positive|e).
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...

$$P_s(q|T) = \sum_{L \subseteq L_T, BKUL \models q\theta} P(L|T)$$

Learning

As in Graphical Models

Learn parameters from partial datacases

- true : alarm, calls(john), earthquake
- false : burglary
- unknown: pcall(), calls(mary), calls(an).

Probabilistic Programming

Various inference strategies exist to answer queries

- exact, approximate, ...
- some can be tied in to graphical model “solvers” (packages by e.g. Darwiche)

Various learning strategies

- similar situation
- few solvers that deal with learning ...

The programming part

In an integrated programming language, learning is just constraint satisfaction and optimization

- in ProbLog and kLog -- just a query
- in CP -- just a call to a solver

Results / output can be used afterwards ...

Inputs / can also be “programmed”

Compositionality principle -- outputs of learning / mining can be used further on, also as inputs for further learning tasks.

Conclusions

Declarative modeling languages for ML / DM can provide an answer to Mitchell's question.

We can realize this by applying the principles of constraint programming and knowledge representation

Essentially three components

- **Modeling** -- specify the problem -- the what
- **Solver** -- translation of the problem -- the how
- **Programming** -- in which everything is embedded
- **with Translations** -- an essential step !

Conclusions

All the **necessary ingredients are available** to realize declarative modeling languages for ML/DM

- machine learning & data mining
- declarative modeling, constraint programming and knowledge representation
- programming language technology

So we are going to do it

What about FCA ?

Questions ?