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An evaluation target of interest extraction apparatus of one embodiment extracts a plurality of items for each piece of text information. When the items include an item which matches an evaluation target expression or related expression, the apparatus allocates the evaluation target expression or that of the related expression to the text information as an evaluation target item. The apparatus distinguishes a class from a change in numeric information related to the evaluation target item, and allocates the class to the text information. The apparatus generates a class-attached transaction including the evaluation target item, the items, and the class. The apparatus discovers a pattern from a set of the transactions.

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