CBD2204: Week 2

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key roles for the Big Data ecosystem

- Deep Analytical Talent
 - Data Scientists, Machine Learning Engineers
 - employment gap: ~ 200 000 jobs (US ~2020)
- Data Saavy Professionals
 - less technical than data scientists, but can define relevant questions
 - advanced analytics
 - employment gap: ~ 1 500 000 jobs (US ~2020)
- Technology and Data Enablers
 - technical expertise to support analytical projects
 - e.g., provisioning and administering analytical sandboxes

what do data scientists do?

- 1. reframe business challenges as analytics challenges
 - a. what kinds of analytics tools can be brought to bear on the business?
 - b. formulating relevant analytics problems and solving them

- design and implement statistical models and data mining techniques on Big Data
 - a. we are going to develop skills using the programming language, R

- 3. develop insights that lead to actionable recommendations
 - a. thus bridging the gap between theory and practice

characteristics of a data scientist

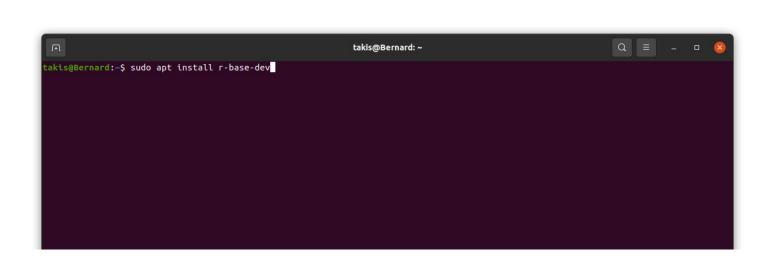


Example: Big Data Analytics

US retailer: Target

- after analyzing consumer purchasing behaviour, Target's statisticians determined that a large portion of revenue came from three different life situations:
 - <u>marriage</u>: when people tend to buy many new products
 - <u>divorce</u>: when people buy new products and change spending habits
 - <u>pregnancy</u>: when people have to buy many new things quickly
- after some analysis, it was determined that pregnancy was the most lucrative of the three
- using data from shoppers, Target was able to identify and predict which of its customers were pregnant, and, in one case, even before her family knew
- Target was also able to determine the month of pregnancy
- this allowed them to optimize their inventory, based on the phase of pregnancy (and customer needs)!

an introduction to R



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takis@Bernard:~/Downloads/Rstudio$ ls -l
total 117480
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takis@Bernard:~/Downloads/Rstudio$ sudo dpkg -i rstudio-1.4.1103-amd64.deb
[sudo] password for takis:
Selecting previously unselected package rstudio.
(Reading database ... 322528 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack rstudio-1.4.1103-amd64.deb ...
Unpacking rstudio (1.4.1103) ...
dpkg: dependency problems prevent configuration of rstudio:
rstudio depends on libclang-dev; however:
 Package libclang-dev is not installed.
dpkg: error processing package rstudio (--install):
dependency problems - leaving unconfigured
Processing triggers for gnome-menus (3.36.0-1ubuntu1) ...
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