



Data Mining

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Why Data mining?

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- The Explosive Growth of Data: from terabytes to petabytes
 - Data collection and data availability
 - Automated data collection tools, database systems, Web, computerized society
 - Major sources of abundant data
 - Business: Web, e-commerce, transactions, stocks, ...
 - Science: Remote sensing, bioinformatics, scientific simulation, ...

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- Society and everyone: news, digital cameras, YouTube
- We are drowning in data, but starving for knowledge!
- “Necessity is the mother of invention”—Data mining—Automated analysis of massive data sets

Evolution of Data science

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- Before 1600, **empirical science**
- 1600-1950s, **theoretical science**
 - Each discipline has grown a *theoretical* component. Theoretical models often motivate experiments and generalize our understanding.
- 1950s-1990s, **computational science**
 - Computational Science traditionally meant simulation. It grew out of our inability to find closed-form solutions for complex mathematical models.

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- 1990-now, **data science**

- The flood of data from new scientific instruments and simulations
- The ability to economically store and manage petabytes of data online
- The Internet and computing Grid that makes all these archives universally accessible
- Scientific info. management, acquisition, organization, query, and visualization tasks scale almost linearly with data volumes. **Data mining** is a major new challenge!

Evolution of Database Technology

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- 1960s:
 - Data collection, database creation, IMS and network DBMS
- 1970s:
 - Relational data model, relational DBMS implementation
- 1980s:
 - RDBMS, advanced data models

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- 1990s:

- Data mining, data warehousing, multimedia databases, and Web databases

- 2000s

- Data mining and its applications
- Web technology (XML, data integration) and global information systems

What is Data mining?

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- Data mining (knowledge discovery from data)
- Extraction of interesting (non-trivial, implicit, previously unknown and potentially useful) patterns or knowledge from huge amount of data
 - Alternative names
- Knowledge discovery (mining) in databases (KDD), knowledge extraction, data/pattern analysis, data archeology, data dredging, information harvesting, business intelligence, etc.

Characteristics of a data mining system

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- Large quantities of data. The volume of data so great it has to be analyzed by automated techniques e.g. satellite information, credit card transactions etc.
- Noisy, incomplete data. ...
- Complex data structure. ...
- Heterogeneous data stored in legacy systems.

Benefits

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Data mining benefits include:

- It helps companies gather reliable information.
- It's an efficient, cost-effective solution compared to other data applications.
- It helps businesses make profitable production and operational adjustments.
- Data mining uses both new and legacy systems.
- It helps businesses make informed decisions

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