



## ECS 607/766 Data Mining Lecture 8 – Anomaly Detection & Association Rules

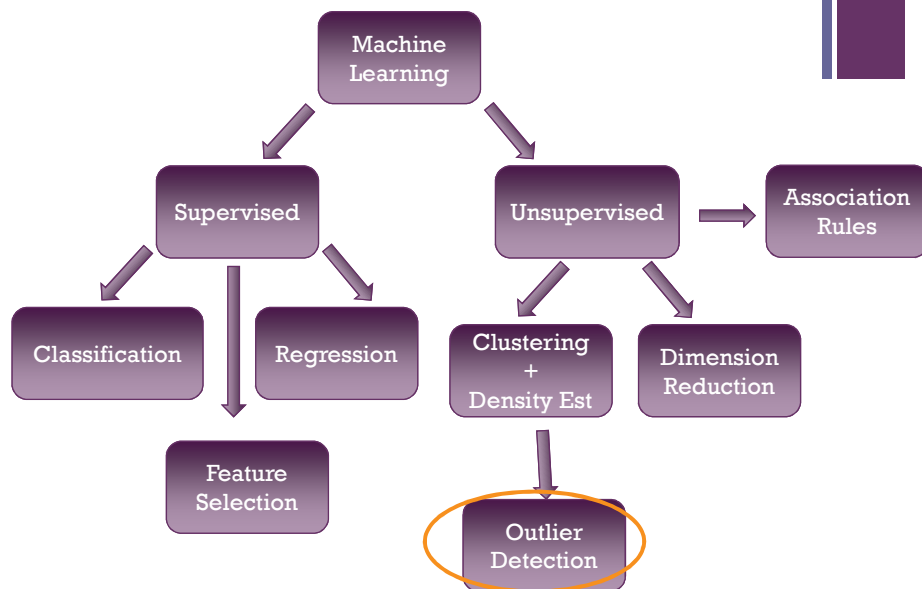
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### + Overview

- **Anomaly Detection**
  - Univariate Gaussian
  - Multivariate Gaussian
  - Complex Data
  - Evaluation
  - Contrast to Supervised Learning
- **Association Rule Mining**
  - Apriori

## + A Taxonomy



## + Anomaly Detection: Motivation

- Previously we looked for:
  - Related columns (dimensionality reduction)
  - Related rows (clustering)
- Sometimes you are interested in finding **unusual items**
  - “Anomalies”, “Outliers”
- ...As a pre-processing step
  - E.g., algorithms that use Sum-Squared objectives are not robust to outliers. Use outlier detection first to find and discard such rows
- ...As an end goal.
  - The aim of the data mining exercise is anomaly detection

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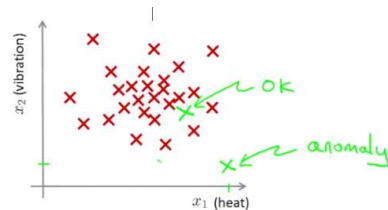
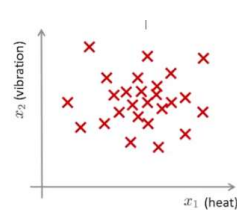
### Applications

- Fraud detection
- Cyber-security
- Machine / Factory maintenance
- Data-center maintenance
- Process-control
- Security and surveillance
- Anti-terrorism

## + Anomaly Detection: Example

### ■ Example: Manufacturing Quality Control: Aircraft Engines

- $x_1$  = heat,  $x_2$  = vibration.



- Can you imagine an algorithm?
  - Input:  $x_1, x_2$
  - Output: Anomaly or Not Anomaly?

## + Anomaly Detection: Probability Recap I

Two common probability distributions

### ■ Categorical variables: Multinomial

- $\mathbf{x}$  is 1-of-N encoding.  $\mathbf{u}$  from 0 to 1.  $\mathbf{u}$ 's sum to 1.

$$p(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{u}) = \prod_i u_i^{x_i} \quad \longrightarrow \quad u_k = \frac{\sum_i x_{ik}}{\sum_i \sum_k x_{ik}} = \frac{N_k}{N}$$

### ■ Continuous variables: Gaussian

- $\mathbf{x}$  is real vector.  $\mathbf{u}$  is a real vector.  $S$  is a matrix.

$$p(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{u}, S) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u})^T S^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u})\right) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i \quad S = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{u})(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{u})^T$$

## + Fitting Example: Multinomial

$$u_k = \frac{\sum_i x_{ik}}{\sum_i \sum_k x_{ik}} = \frac{N_k}{N}$$

### ■ Fitting multinomial parameters

- Suppose throw coin: H, T, T, H, H
- Suppose dice role: 2, 1, 3, 5, 5, 4, 6, 1

Throw	Head	Tail
$\mathbf{x}_1$	1	0
$\mathbf{x}_2$	0	1
$\mathbf{x}_3$	0	1
$\mathbf{x}_4$	1	0
$\mathbf{x}_5$	1	0
$\mathbf{u}_k$	$\frac{3/(3+2)}{=3/5}$	$\frac{2/(3+2)}{=2/5}$

Roll	1	2	3	4	5	6
$\mathbf{x}_1$	0	1	0	0	0	0
$\mathbf{x}_2$	1	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbf{x}_3$	0	0	1	0	0	0
$\mathbf{x}_4$	0	0	0	0	1	0
$\mathbf{x}_5$	0	0	0	0	1	0
$\mathbf{x}_6$	0	0	0	1	0	0
$\mathbf{x}_7$	0	0	0	0	0	1
$\mathbf{x}_8$	1	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbf{u}_k$	2/8	1/8	1/8	1/8	2/8	1/8

## + Fitting Example: Gaussian

- Fitting Gaussian parameters
  - Suppose fish length = [1, 3, 5, 3, 2]
- Mean,  $\mathbf{u} = (1+3+6+3+2)/5 = 3$
- Variance,  $\mathbf{v} = ((1-3)^2 + (3-3)^2 + (6-3)^2 + (3-3)^2 + (2-3)^2)/5 = 14/5$

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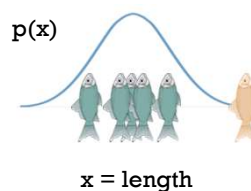
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- Tells us:
  - For a specified Gaussian:
    - What data do we expect?
    - How likely is any particular piece of data?
  - For a specified Dataset:
    - What Gaussian best explains it?

- Algorithm:
  - Anomaly if  $p(\mathbf{x}) < T$



## + Anomaly Detection Algorithm

### ■ Algorithm:

- Read in normal training data,  $\{\mathbf{x}\}$
- Compute the Gaussian  $(\mathbf{u}, S)$  that best explains the data  $\{\mathbf{x}\}$

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i \quad S = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u})(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u})^T$$

- Given a new example  $\mathbf{x}$  and estimated  $\mathbf{u}, S$ , compute  $p(\mathbf{x})$

- If  $p(\mathbf{x}) < T$

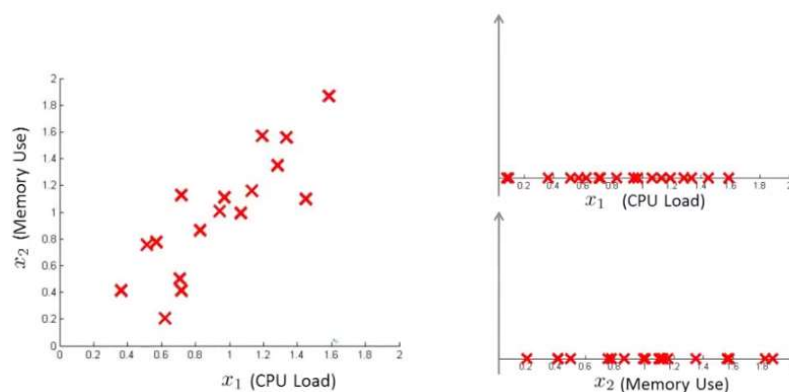
- Then Anomaly

- Else

- Ok

$$p(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{u}, S) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u})^T S^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u})\right)$$

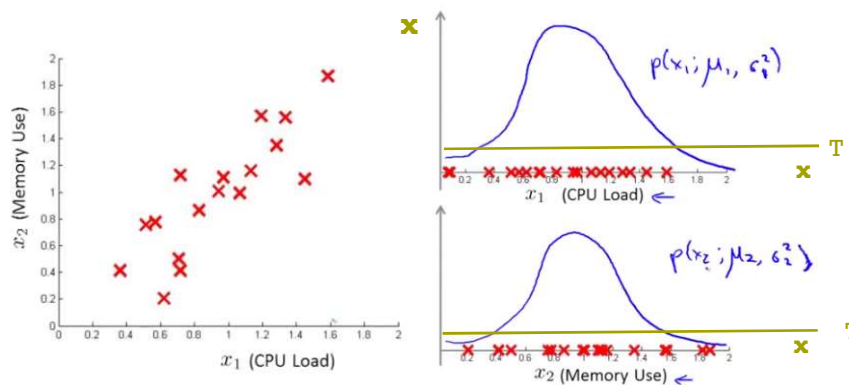
## + Anomaly Detection Example: Data Center Monitoring



## + Anomaly Detection Example: Data Center: Univariate Gaussians

Algorithm:

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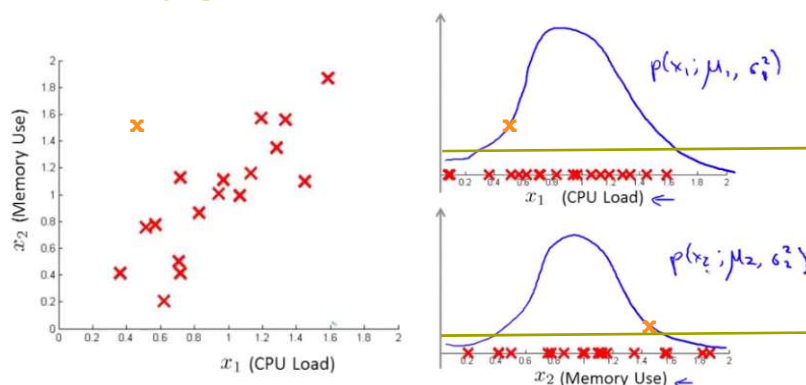


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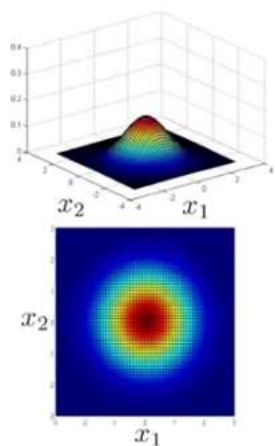
Anomaly if  $p(x) < T$

No anomaly!  
False negative!

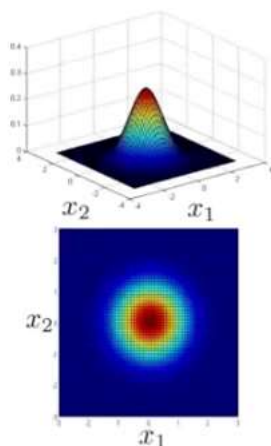


## + Multivariate Gaussians: Intuition

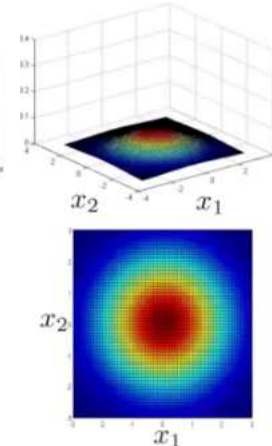
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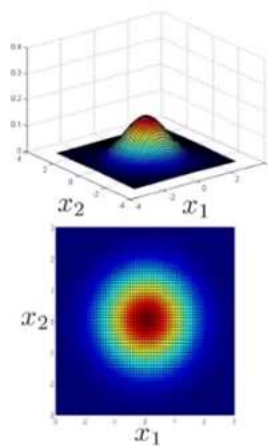


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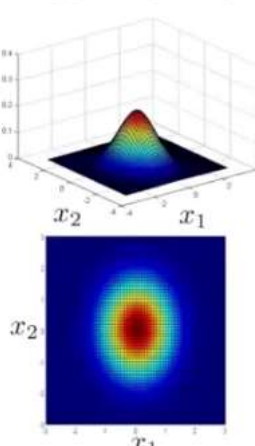


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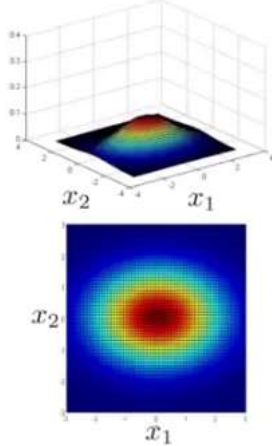
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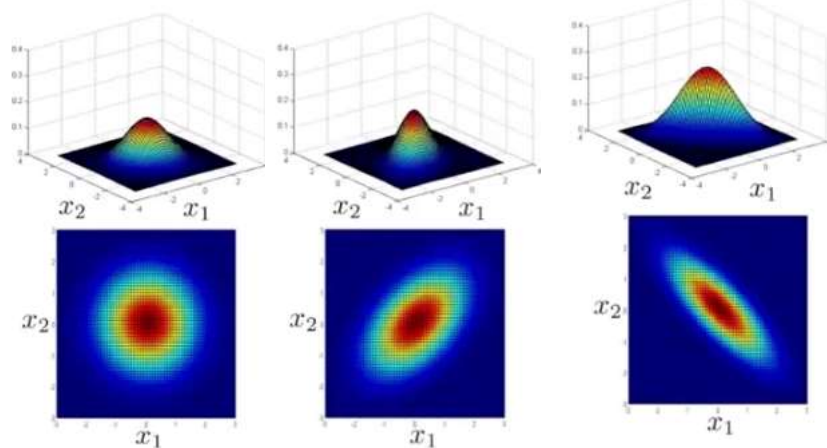
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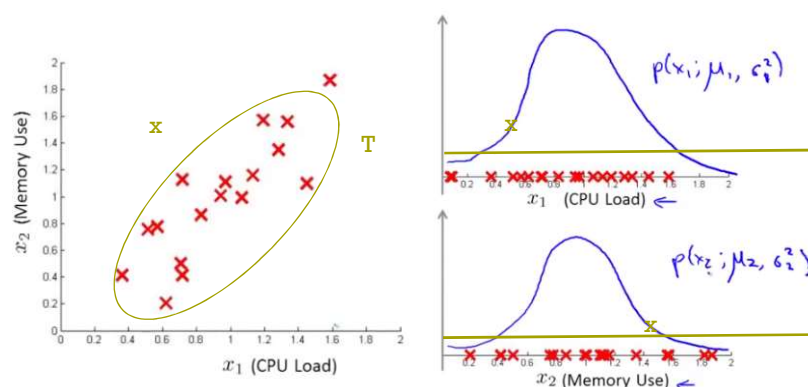
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## + Anomaly Detection Example: Data Center: Multivariate

Algorithm:

Anomaly if  $p(x) < T$

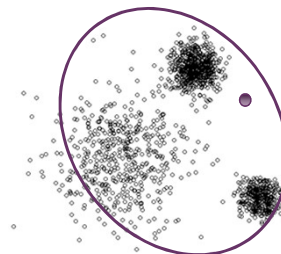
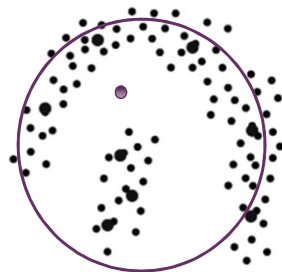




## Anomaly Detection:

What if the data is more complicated than a multivariate Gaussian?

- Some data cannot be well modeled by a multivariate Gaussian.
  - How to detect anomalies here?
  - ...Ideas?

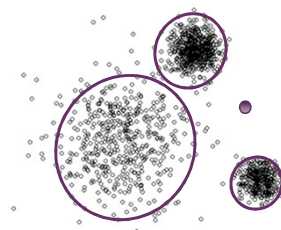
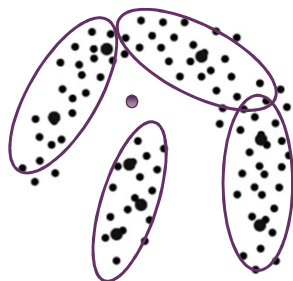


## Anomaly Detection:

What if the data is more complicated than a multivariate Gaussian?

- Some data cannot be well modeled by a multivariate Gaussian.
  - => Model with Gaussian Mixture model

$$p(\mathbf{x}) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u})^T S^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u})\right) \quad \Rightarrow \quad p(\mathbf{x}) \propto \sum_k \pi_k \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u}_k)^T S_k^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u}_k)\right)$$



## + How to Evaluate?

- Input:
  - 10,000 normal aircraft engines (Features,  $x$ )
  - 20 broken/flawed ones (Label,  $y$ )
- Split into half train and test
- Compute  $\{u, S\}$  for model  $p(x)$  on train  $\{x_1, \dots, x_{5000}\}$
- On a test set, predict anomaly if  $p(x) < T$
- Evaluation metric
  - TP/FP/FN/TN rate
  - ROC Curve
  - Precision/Recall
- How to choose  $T$ ?
  - Cross-validation!

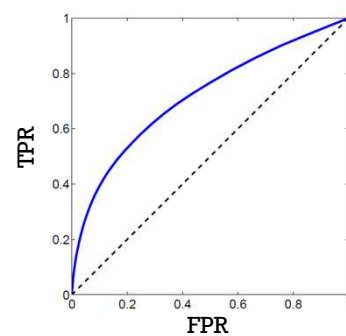
## + How to Evaluate?

Predict anomaly if  $p(x) < T$

Evaluation metrics:

- TP/FP/FN/TN rate
- ROC Curve
  - Considers a variety of thresholds

		actual value		
		$p$	$n$	total
prediction outcome	$p'$	True Positive	False Positive	$P'$
	$n'$	False Negative	True Negative	$N'$
total		$P$	$N$	



## + Understanding ROC curves

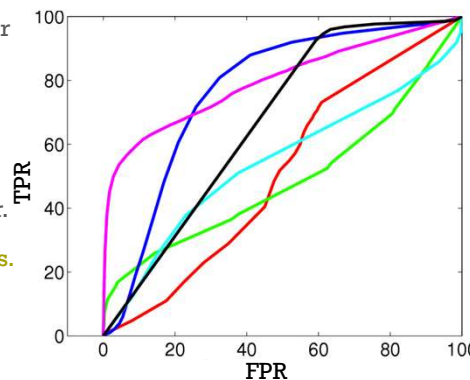
- Suppose you have a set of models to choose from (colored lines)...

- Scenario 1: Early-stage financial fraud filtering. Potentially anomalous transactions flagged for an analyst to examine.
- Scenario 2: Late stage flagging of potential low-quality items on a production line. Flagging an anomaly means stopping the factory production line for an hour.

S2: Not critical to catch all anomalies.  
False alarms very costly.  
⇒ Prioritize low FPR  
⇒ Pick Magenta system

S1: Expensive to miss an anomaly.  
False alarms not that costly.

⇒ Prioritize high TPR  
⇒ Pick Blue/Black systems



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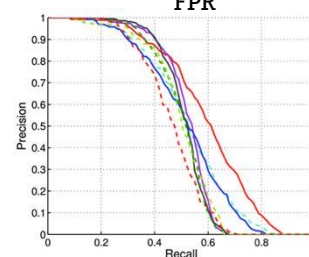
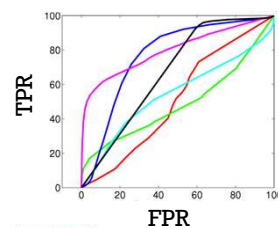
### ROC Curve

- $TPR = \text{Recall} = TP/P = TP/(TP+FN)$ 
  - “What fraction of true anomalies did we successfully detect?”
- $FPR = FP/N = FP/(FP+TN)$ 
  - “What fraction of normal data did we erroneously call anomalous?”

### Precision/Recall

- $\text{Precision} = TP/(TP+FP)$ 
  - “How many of our predicted anomalies are true anomalies?”
- $\text{Recall} = TP/P = TP/(TP+FN)$ 
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prediction outcome	p'	True Positive	False Positive	p'
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total		P	N	



## + Anomaly Detection Versus Supervised Learning

### Anomaly Detection

- Small number of positive examples (e.g., 0-10)
- Many negative examples
- Many different types of anomalies. Hard to model what they look like.
- Future anomalies may look nothing like previous ones

### Supervised Learning

- Large number of positive and negative examples (E.g., 100s)
- Enough positive examples to model their typical characteristics.
- Future positive examples likely to be similar to train set ones.

## + Anomaly Detection Versus Supervised Learning: Quiz

### Task

- Fraud Detection
- Spam classification
- Weather prediction
- Manufacturing defects
- Data center crash prediction
- Surveillance crime detection
- Disease classification

### Method to Use?

- Anomaly
- Supervised
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- Anomaly
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- Supervised

## + Example Application: EECS Work 😊

After unsupervised learning, we can..  
infer **behaviour** class and  
screen for **unusual events**.

Hospedales et al, IEEE ICCV 2009, IJCV 2011

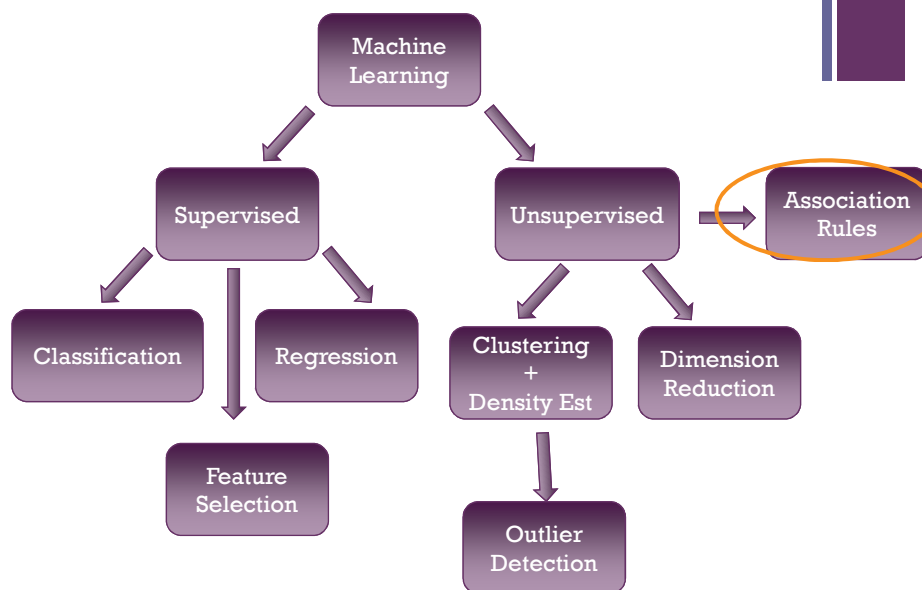
## + Alternative Application of Anomaly Detection: Scientific Data Exploration

- Apply anomaly detection to large scale data streams: flags new items of interest to focus limited manual inspection time.
  - E.g., telescope images => new astronomical phenomena.
  - E.g., radio telescope images => focus SETI search.
  - E.g., particle accelerator readings => focus new particle search

## + Overview

- Anomaly / Outlier Detection
- Association Rule Mining
  - Apriori

## + A Taxonomy



## + Association Mining

- What is association mining?
  - Find frequent patterns, associations, correlations or causations among items or objects in transaction or relational databases.
- Example: Shopping baskets and shopping rules

TID	Items
1	Bread, Peanuts, Milk, Fruit, Jam
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Examples

$\{\text{bread}\} \Rightarrow \{\text{milk}\}$

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- Given a set of transactions, find rules that will predict the occurrence of an item based on occurrences of other items in the transaction



# + Association Mining

Why do it?

- Shopping Baskets
  - Marketing
  - Inform store layout
  - Catalog design
  - Recommendations
- Search: Which keywords occur together?
  - => **Query Expansion.**
- Medicine: **Find typical disease symptoms**
- Understand your database

Original Paper (Agrawal '93) is one of top most cited papers in all of computer science

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Examples  
 {bread} => {milk}  
 {soda} => {chips}  
 {bread} => {jam}

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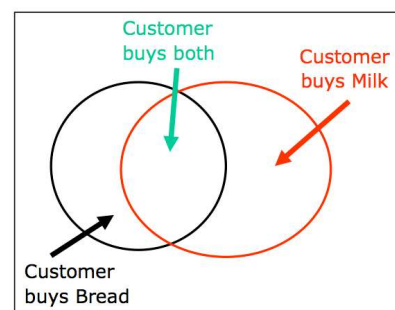
## + Association Mining: Definitions

- Itemset:
  - A collection of one or more items
  - E.g., {milk, bread jam}
- Association Rule
  - $X \Rightarrow Y$  implication
- Count:  $N(X)$ . Occurrences of itemset  $X$
- Support of Itemset  $S(X)$ 
  - % transactions contain itemset:  $N(X)/N$
  - $S(\{\text{milk, bread}\}) = 3/8$ ,  $(\{\text{soda, chips}\}) = 4/8$
- Support of Rule  $S(X \Rightarrow Y)$ 
  - % transactions with  $X+Y$ :  $N(X+Y)/N$
- Confidence of Rule:  $C(X \Rightarrow Y)$ 
  - $N(X+Y)/N(X)$
- Challenge:
  - Find all rules  $X \Rightarrow Y$  where:
    - $S(X \Rightarrow Y) > \text{MinSup}$
    - $C(X \Rightarrow Y) > \text{MinConf}$
  - I.e., both (frequent and confident)

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## + Support and Confidence

- Support of Rule  $S(X \Rightarrow Y)$ 
  - % transactions with  $X+Y$ :  $N(X+Y)/N$
  - Intersection over total area.
- Confidence of Rule:  $C(X \Rightarrow Y)$ 
  - $N(X+Y)/N(X)$
  - Intersection over  $X$



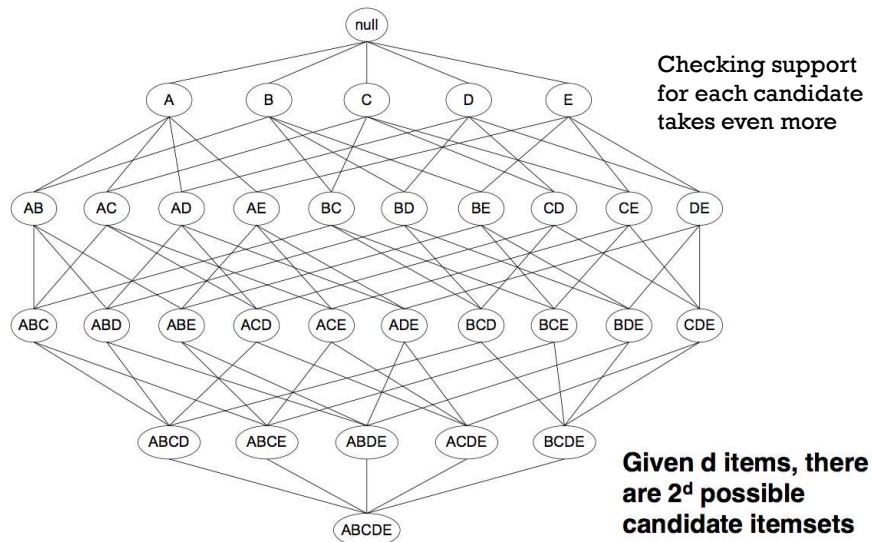
## + Association Mining: Example

- Example:
  1. {shoes, socks, tshirt}
  2. {socks, sweater, pants}
  3. {tshirt, pants, socks}
  4. {shoes, socks}
- MinSup = 2/4, Minconf = 2/3
  - {shoes=>socks}
    - Sup = 1/2, conf=2/2
  - {socks=>shoes}
    - Sup = 1/2, conf= 2/4
  - {sweater}
    - Sup = 1/4
- Challenge
  - Find all rules  $X \Rightarrow Y$  where:
    - $S(X \Rightarrow Y) > \text{MinSup}$
    - $C(X \Rightarrow Y) > \text{MinConf}$
    - (frequent and confident)
  - Support of Itemset  $s(X)$ 
    - % transactions contain itemset:  $N(X)/N$
  - Support of Rule  $S(X \Rightarrow Y)$ 
    - % transactions with  $X+Y$ :  $N(X+Y)/N$
  - Confidence of Rule:  $C(X \Rightarrow Y)$ 
    - Given you saw  $X$ , how confident about  $Y$ ?
    - $N(X+Y)/N(X)$

## + Association Mining: Algorithm?

- Algorithm Sketch
  - List all possible rules
  - Check the support and confidence for each
  - Keep the ones above MinSup and MinConf
- Algorithm Sketch
  - List all possible itemsets
  - Count their support
  - Count their confidence
  - Generate rules above MinSup & MinConf
- => Cost  $O(2^N)$  ☹

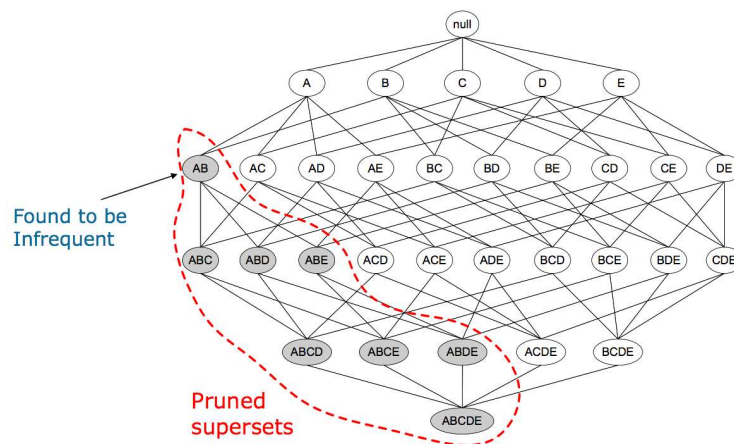
## + Frequent Itemset Generation is Costly



## + Classic Solution: “Apriori Algorithm”

- Apriori Observation
  - Any subset of a frequent itemset must also be frequent.
  - Any superset of an infrequent itemset must also be infrequent
- Apriori Algorithm
  - Generate frequent itemsets bottom up. Don't bother to consider those which have a subset known to be infrequent.

## + Illustration of Apriori Principle



## + Apriori Algorithm

- $K=1$ .
- Generate frequent itemsets of length  $k=1$ .
- Repeat until no new frequent itemsets
  - Generate  $K+1$  candidate itemsets from  $K$  sized frequent itemsets
  - Count the support of each candidate by scanning the DB
  - Eliminate infrequent candidates
- Check confidence for frequent itemsets

## + Illustration

Items (1-itemsets)

Item	Count
Bread	4
Peanuts	4
Milk	6
Fruit	6
Jam	5
Soda	6
Chips	4
Steak	1
Cheese	1
Yogurt	1

2-itemsets

2-Itemset	Count
Bread, Jam	4
Peanuts, Fruit	4
Milk, Fruit	5
Milk, Jam	4
Milk, Soda	5
Fruit, Soda	4
Jam, Soda	4
Soda, Chips	4

TID	Items
1	Bread, Peanuts, Milk, Fruit, Jam
2	Bread, Jam, Soda, Chips, Milk, Fruit
3	Steak, Jam, Soda, Chips, Bread
4	Jam, Soda, Peanuts, Milk, Fruit
5	Jam, Soda, Chips, Milk, Bread
6	Fruit, Soda, Chips, Milk
7	Fruit, Soda, Peanuts, Milk
8	Fruit, Peanuts, Cheese, Yogurt

3-itemsets

3-Itemset	Count
Milk, Fruit, Soda	4

Minimum Support = 4

## + Aprori Details

- If MinSup is high, we could miss itemsets involving interesting rare items (E.g., expensive).
- If MinSup is low, computation is prohibitive
- Cost:
  - Depends on MinSup
  - Depends on Data

## + Summary: You Should Know

### ■ Anomalies

- What is the anomaly detection problem?
- Sketch an anomaly detection algorithm
- Applications of anomaly detection
- When anomaly detection versus supervised learning is appropriate
- Connection to clustering with Gaussian Mixtures

### ■ Itemset Mining

- What is the itemset mining problem?
- Sketch the Apriori algorithm
- Applications of itemset mining