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- Data sources
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Company

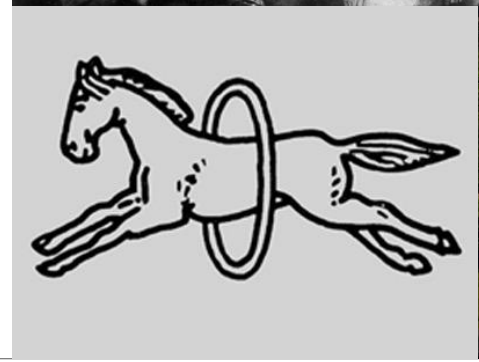
August Rüggeberg

Company description

August Rüggeberg (PFERD) is leading in the

- development
- production
- support
- and distribution

of tool solutions for work on surfaces and material cutting.

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August Rüggeberg

Customers

- Metalworking is the primary focus among our top customers
- Key focus areas include aerospace, shipbuilding, and automotive, though the tools are also used in many other industrial sectors.

Foundry

Aerospace

Shipbuilding

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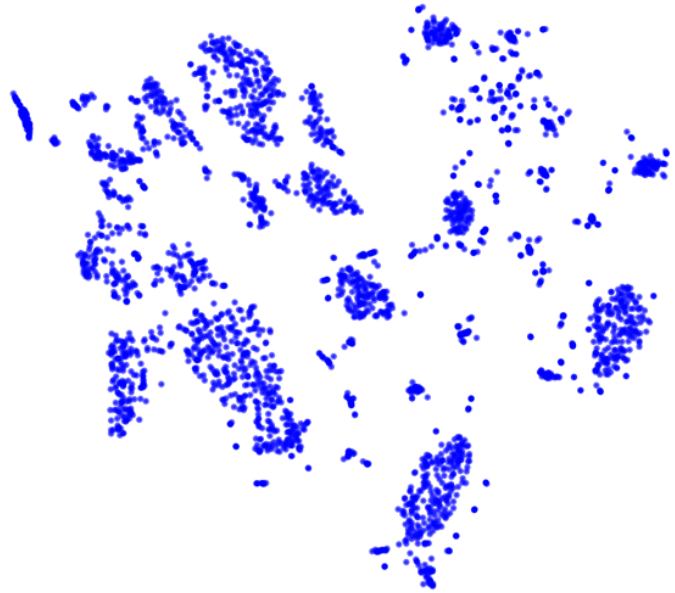
Topic area world economy

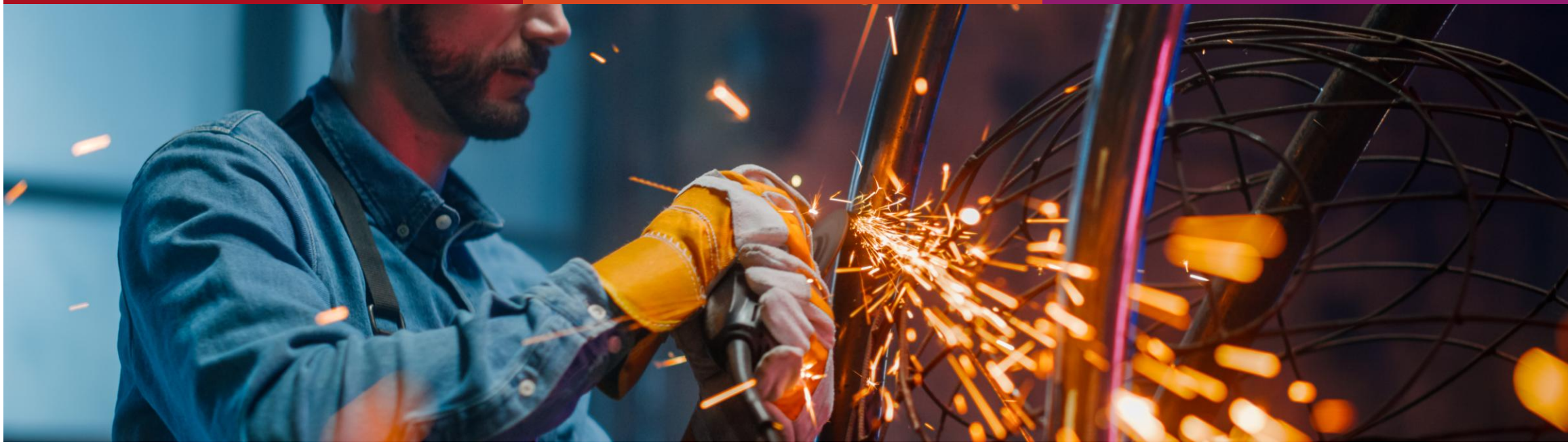
Approach: Comprehensive Market Analysis using clustering methods and tailored feature selection

Indicators:

- **Economic Indicators** (GDP, economic growth)
- **Demographic Indicators** (population size, population growth)
- **Trade Data** (import/export volumes of related products)
- **Business-Relevant Metrics** (Steel consumption (use-case reference))
- **Soft Factors** (Corruption Index, Economic Freedom Index)



Goal: Group countries into comparable market clusters to uncover high-potential markets.



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The Global Ecomomy (Link)

Platform providing reliable economic data for over 200 countries (since 1960)

- Includes 500+ indicators from:
  - Central banks,
  - National statistics offices,
  - International organizations

- Goal: Save time and effort through well-documented, downloadable data
- Free access for: Educators & students from low-income countries
- Founded in 2012 at Georgia State University (USA)

- Selection of approx. 800 annual key features are provided in a python df

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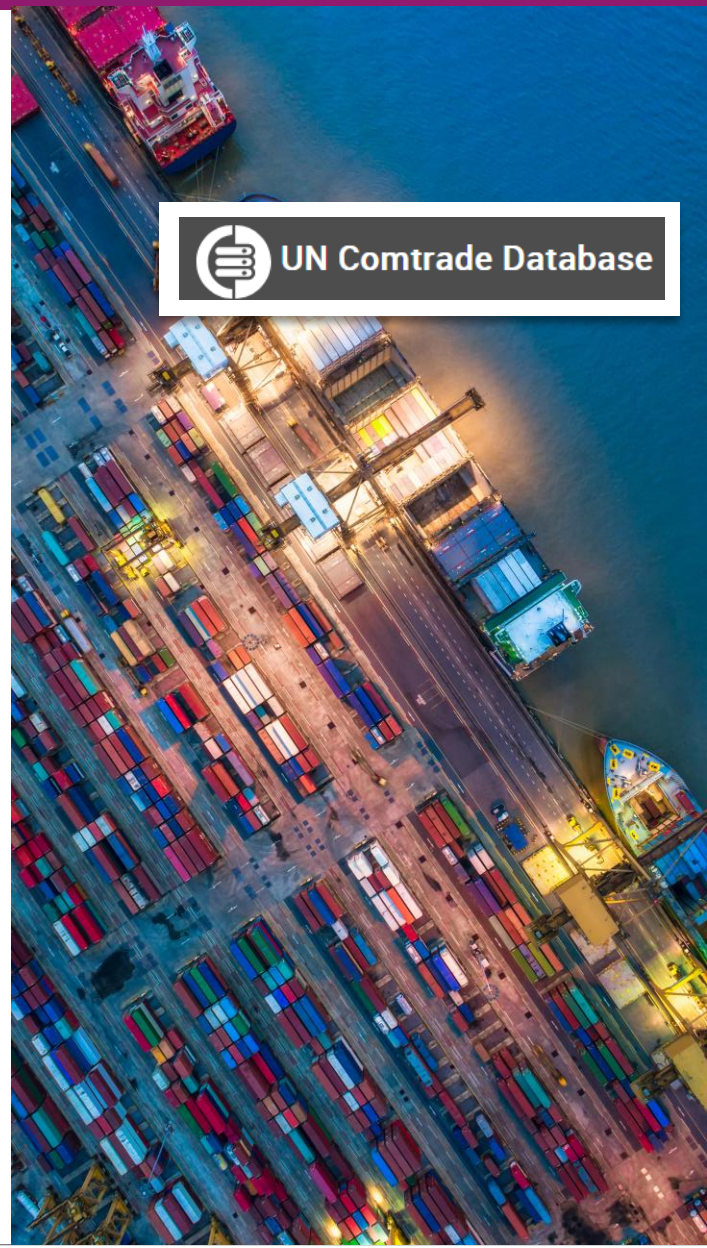
UN Comtrade (Link)

- Global trade database maintained by the United Nations
- Contains detailed import and export statistics from over 170 reporting countries
- Covers more than 5,000 product categories, classified by:
  - HS (Harmonized System), SITC, BEC, and other classification systems

- Data reported by national customs authorities and standardized for international comparison
- Available at annual and monthly frequency, depending on country
- Includes trade values and quantities, partner countries, and trade flows

- Data must be downloaded and pre-processed independently



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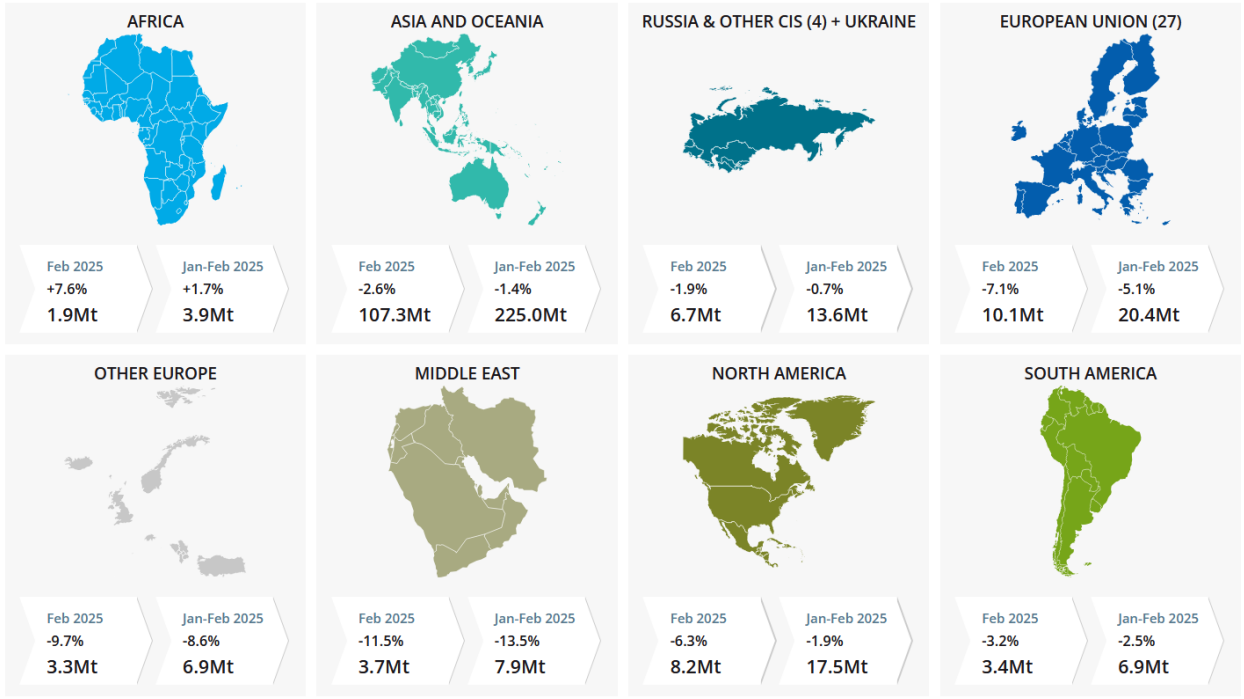
World Steel Association (Link)

- One of the largest industry associations in the world
- Represents steel producers, national/regional associations, and research institutes
- Covers around 85% of global steel production
- Provides comprehensive data and statistics on:
  - Crude steel production (monthly & annual)
  - Steel use by country and sector
  - Steel trade flows and demand forecasts



CRISP-DM cycle with regard to the project

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CRISP-DM cycle

Model planning 50%-70%

Business Understanding

- What is the business use case?
- What is the aim of the project?
- What are the stakeholders?
- When is a market interesting for PFERD?
- Which features could be relevant?

Data Understanding

- Have I chosen the right features?
- Are there redundant features?
- Is the data available for many markets?
- How should the various data sets be prepared?
- How do I combine the data sets into a df?
- How must the data be provided for clustering?

Data Preparation

- Is the data suitable for modeling?
- Feature engineering?
- How is the data distributed?
- How to deal with outliers?
- How to deal with missing values?
- Does the data need to be scaled?
- Which method do I use for scaling?
- Must all columns of the df be scaled?

CRISP-DM cycle

Model development 10%-20% & Model deployment / presentation 20%-40%

Modeling

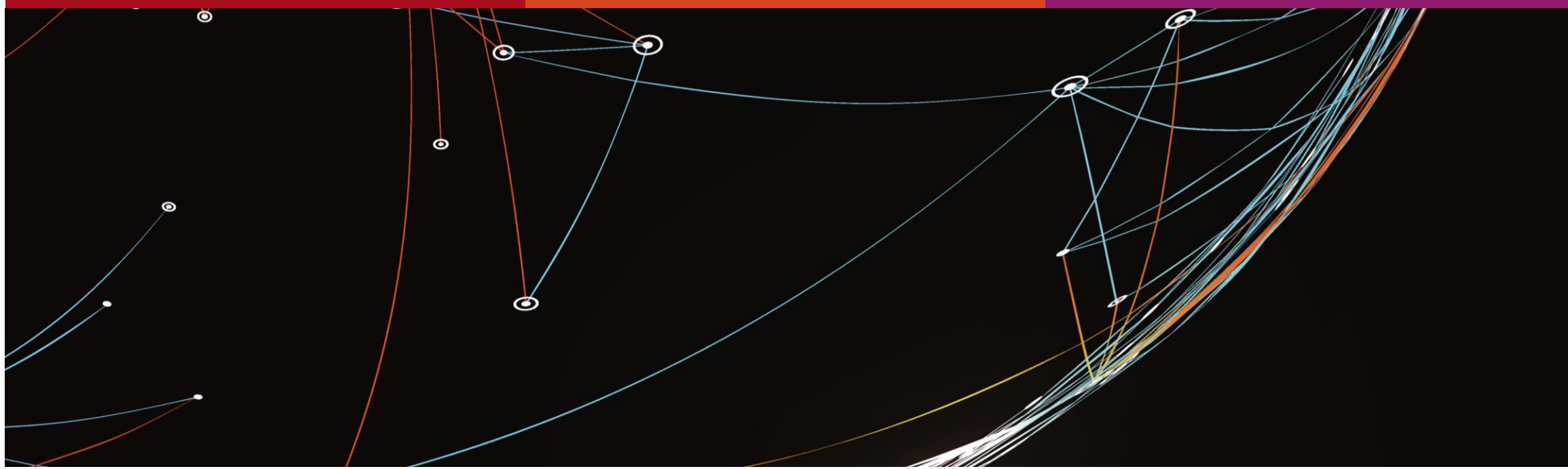
- Which clustering methods are suitable?
- How to find the best model parameters?
- How to save model parameters?
- Do the data need to be adjusted again?

Evaluation

- Does clustering make sense in a visual inspection?
- Which metrics can I use for evaluation?
- What are the best clusters, and is that plausible?
- Are there differences between the methods?
- Which features have the greatest impact?
- Are the results relevant to the use case?

Model (deployment) / presentation

- What are the most important results?
- How can modeling results be a strategic recommendation regarding the use case?
- How do I present my results?
- How do I create trust among stakeholders?



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Data:

- Datasets will partly be published in a GitHub repo with further information
- Datasets are stored in the pickle file format, which can be easily loaded into a python dataframe

Procedure:

- After the group assignment, you will be assigned to a GitHub repo
- The project documentation takes place in the repo
- If you have any questions, you can contact me (lukas.bader@th-koeln.de)

Interesting links:

- Country similarity index (use of a distance matrix), Link