

# BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE



LECTURE 1

# OUTLINE

- Introduction
- Data mining overview
- Data pre-processing
- Classification techniques
- Clustering techniques
- Association rules
- References



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# INTRODUCTION

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# ALICE'S STORY

- Here is Alice
- She is interested in F&B
- One day, she opened her first store in Saigon
- It's a traditional restaurant with Vietnamese cuisine



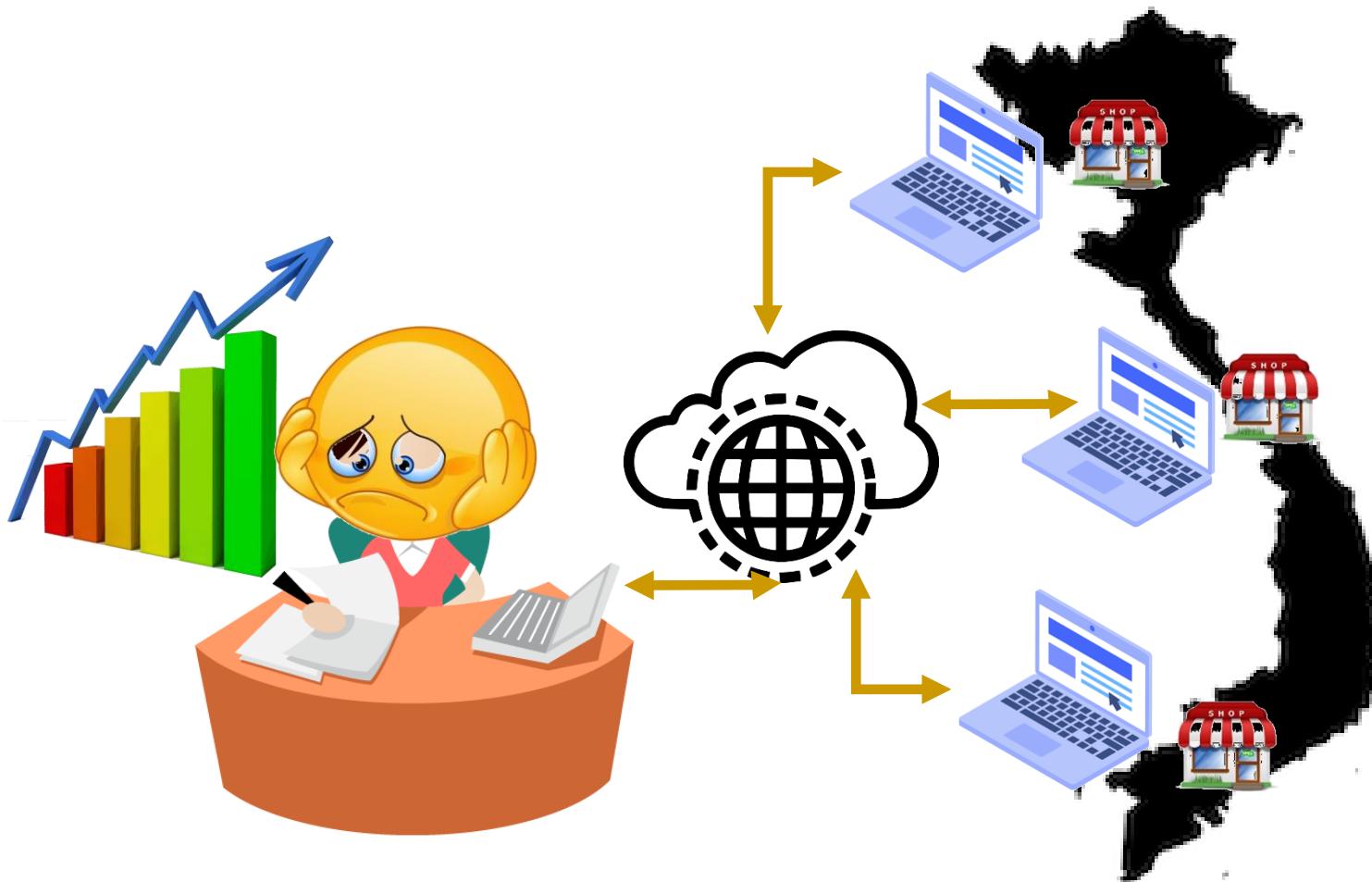
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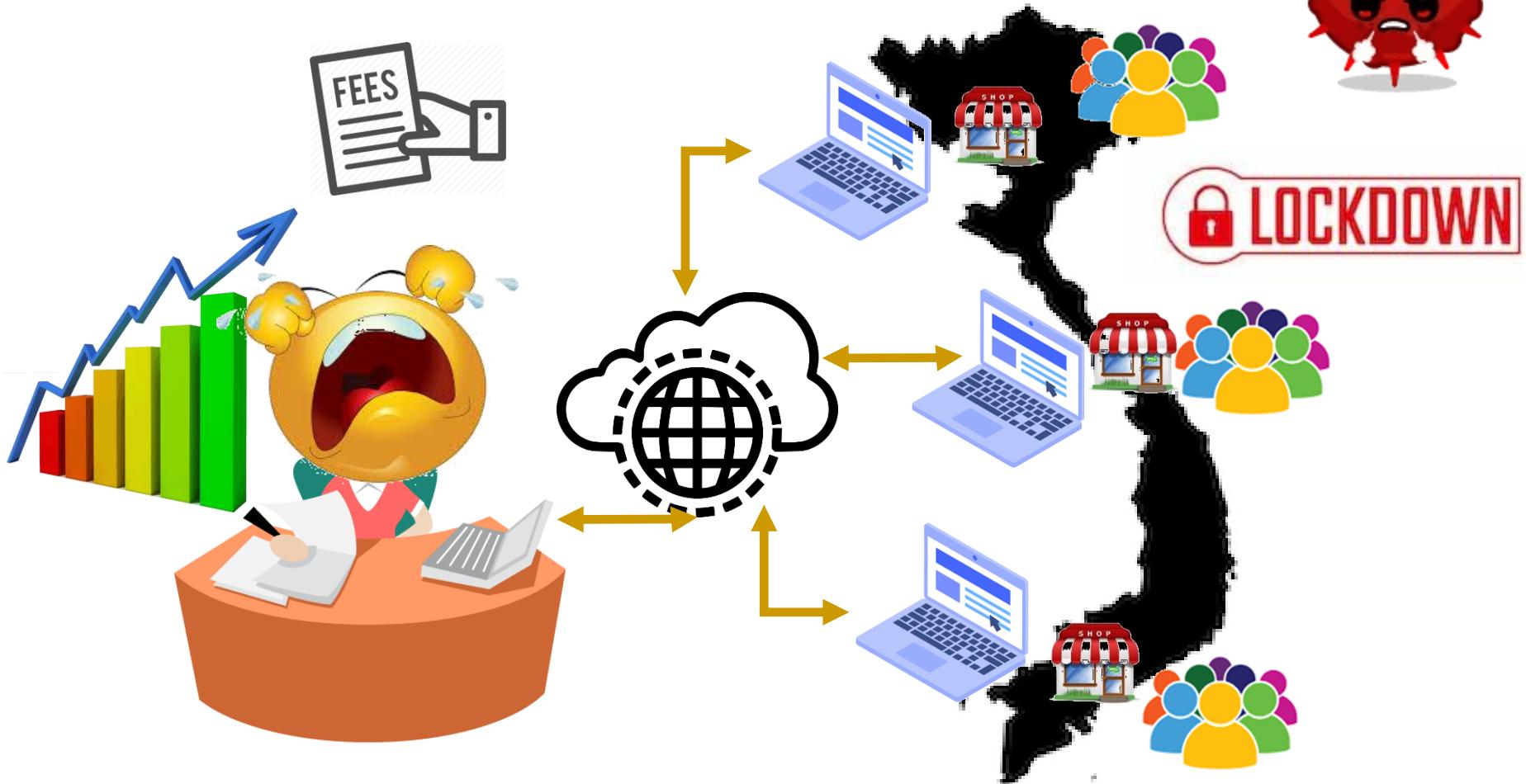
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# DISCUSSION



WOULD YOU SUGGEST ANY  
SOLUTIONS TO HELP HER?

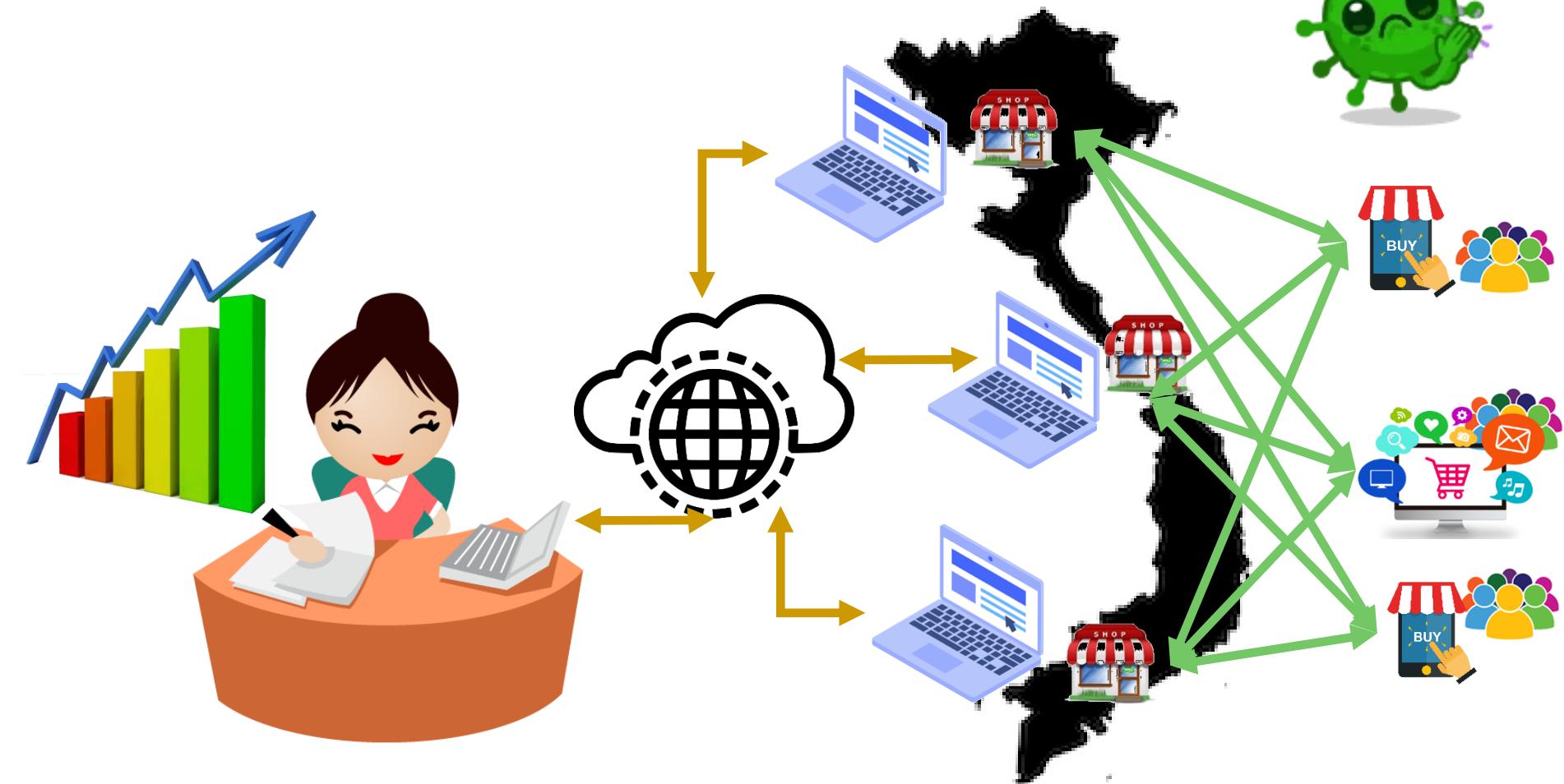


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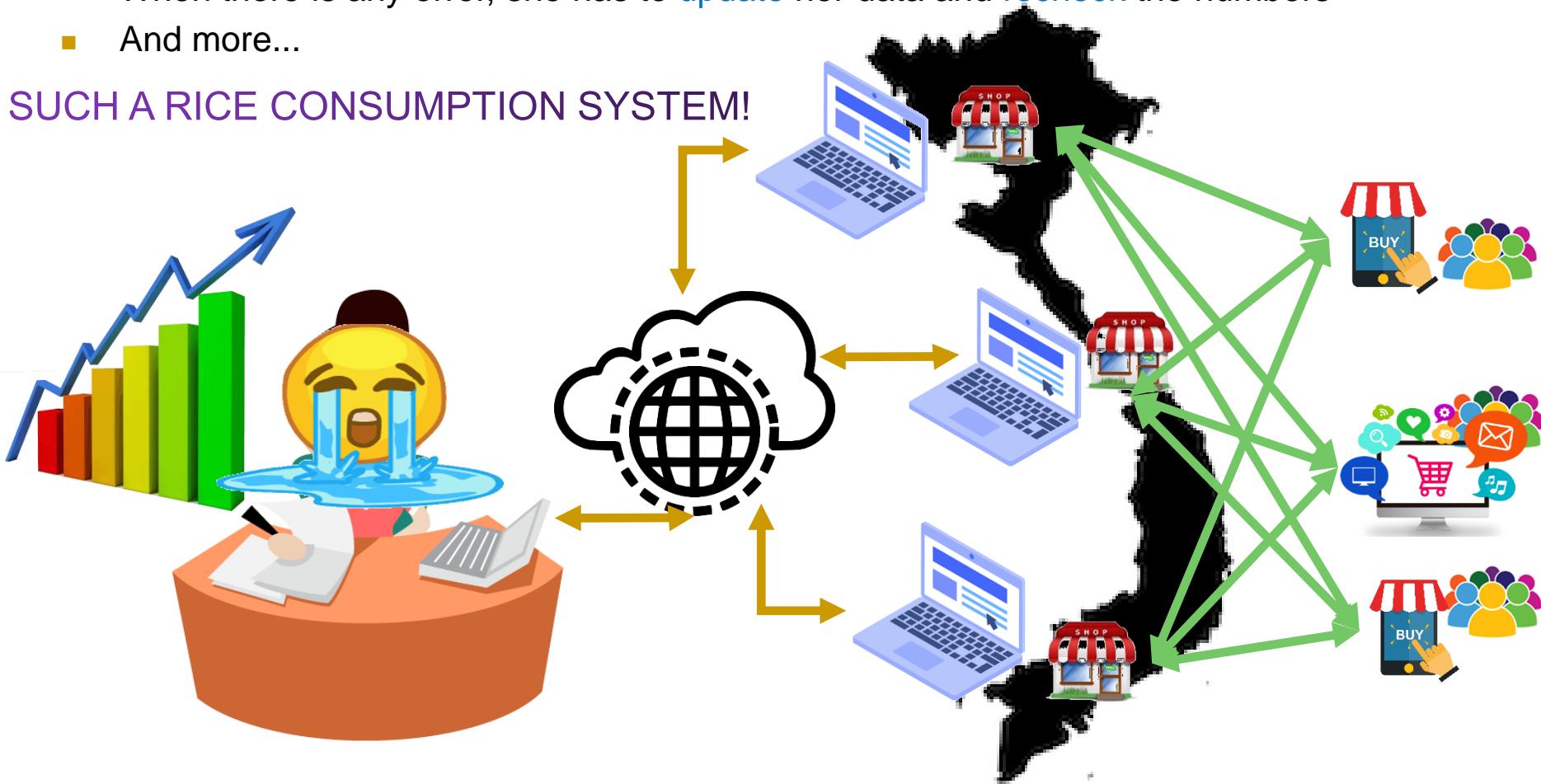


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AND ANOTHER PROBLEM  
COMES...

- It takes her **long time** to summarize sales measurements
- She has to **redo all** for the new cycle (i.e., week, month, and year)
- When there is any error, she has to **update** her data and **recheck** the numbers
- And more...

## SUCH A RICE CONSUMPTION SYSTEM!



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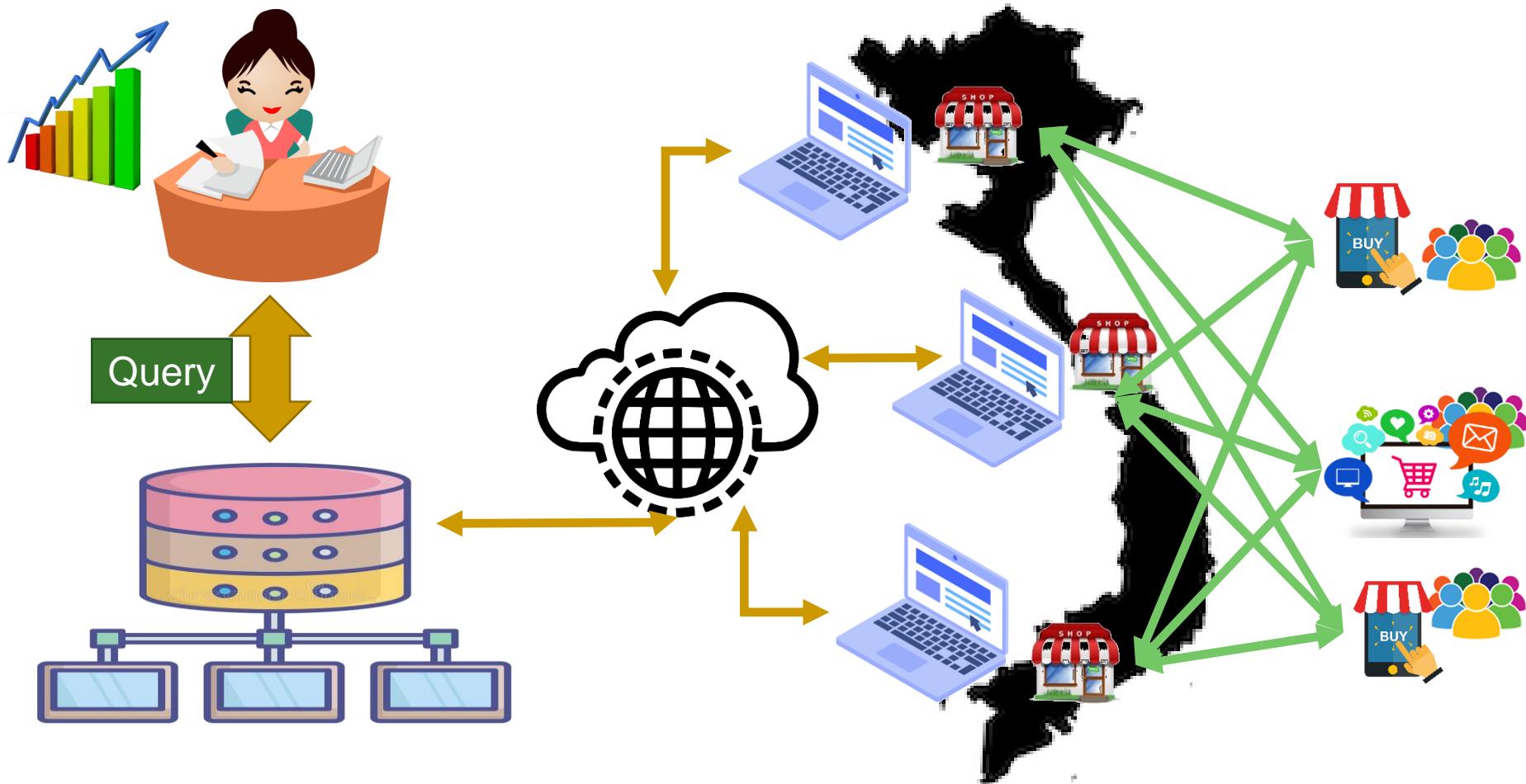
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SHE NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT  
AGAIN!

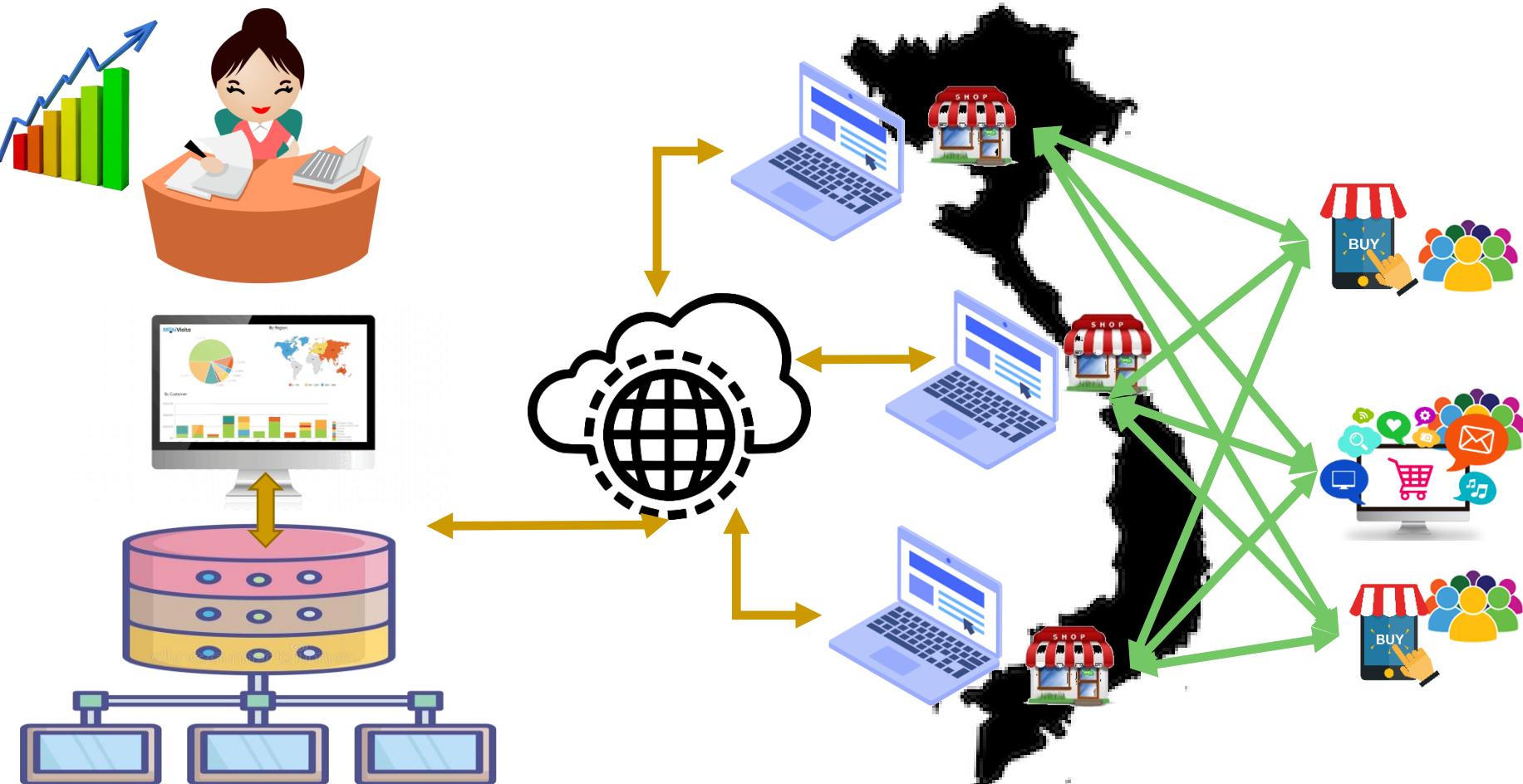


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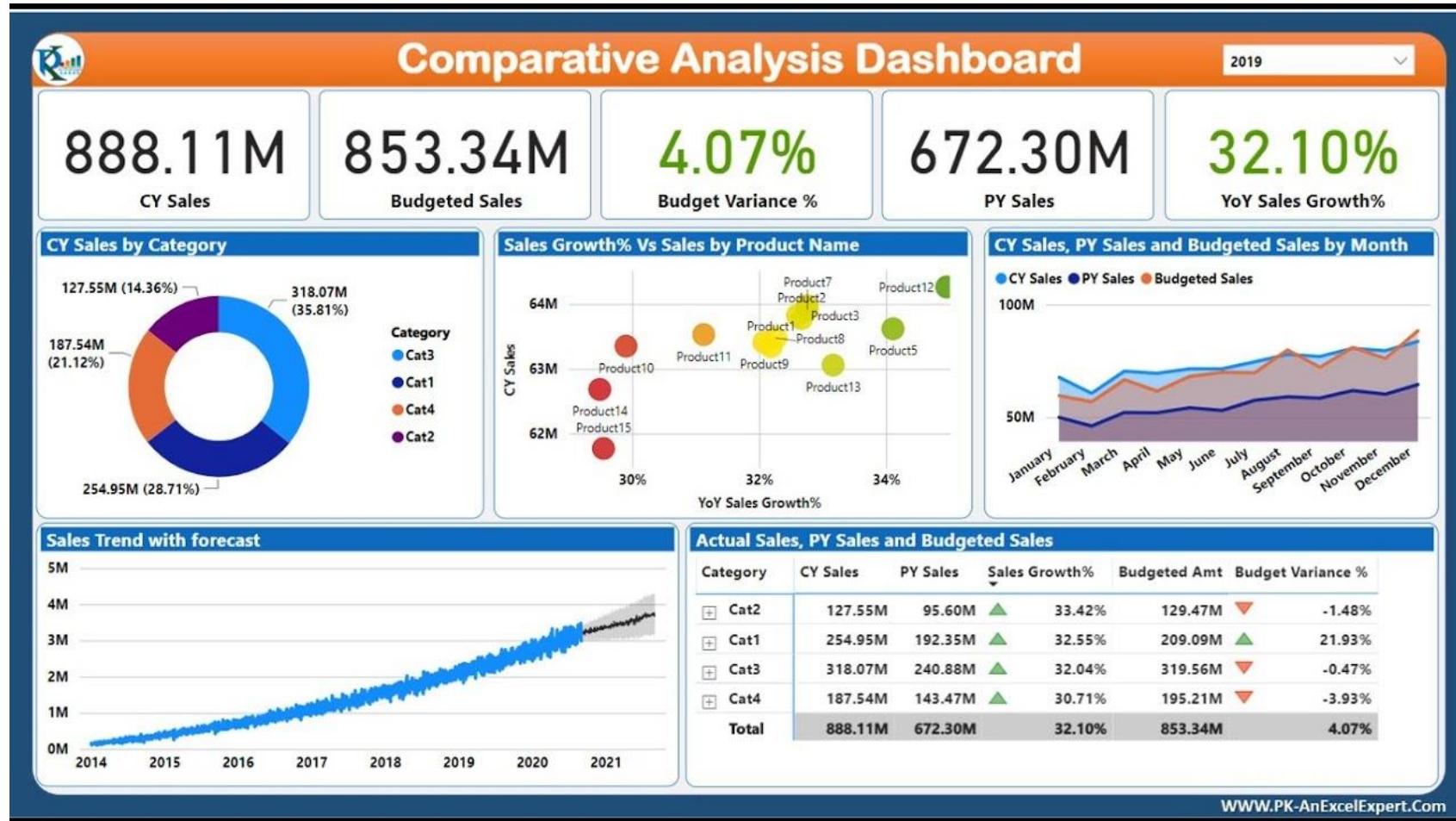
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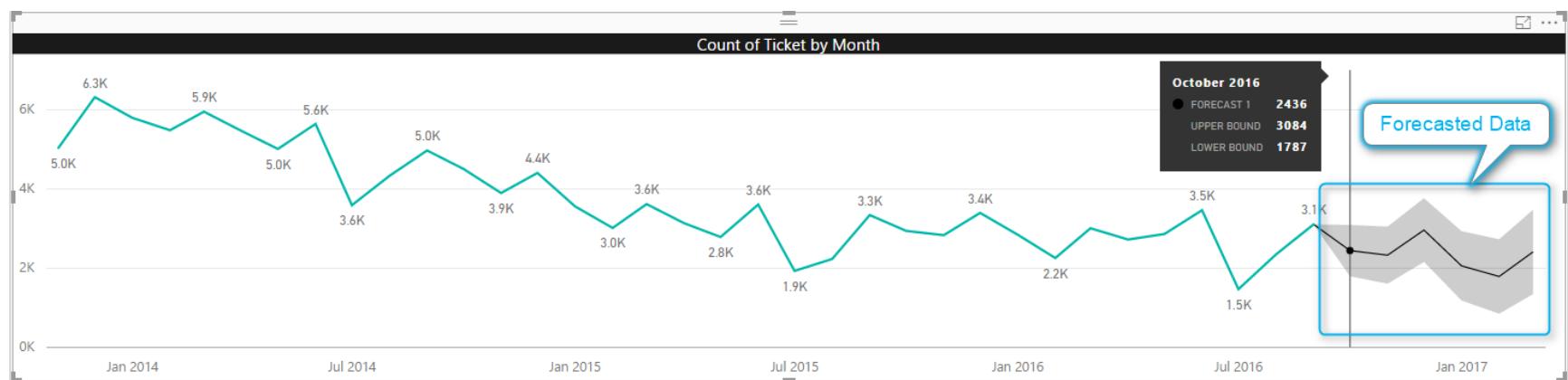
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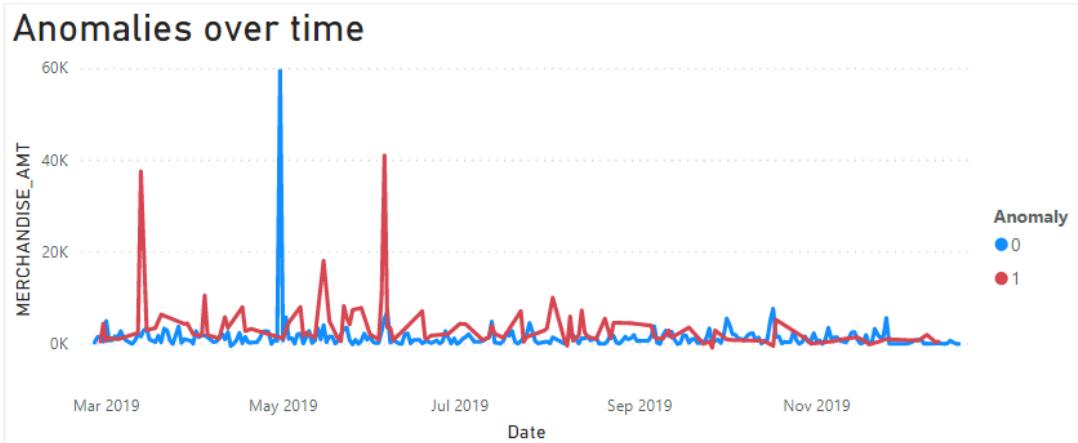


# ANOMALY DETECTION



Anomaly Detection using PyCaret  
Employee Credit Card Transactions 2014-2019

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### Divisions with high anomalies

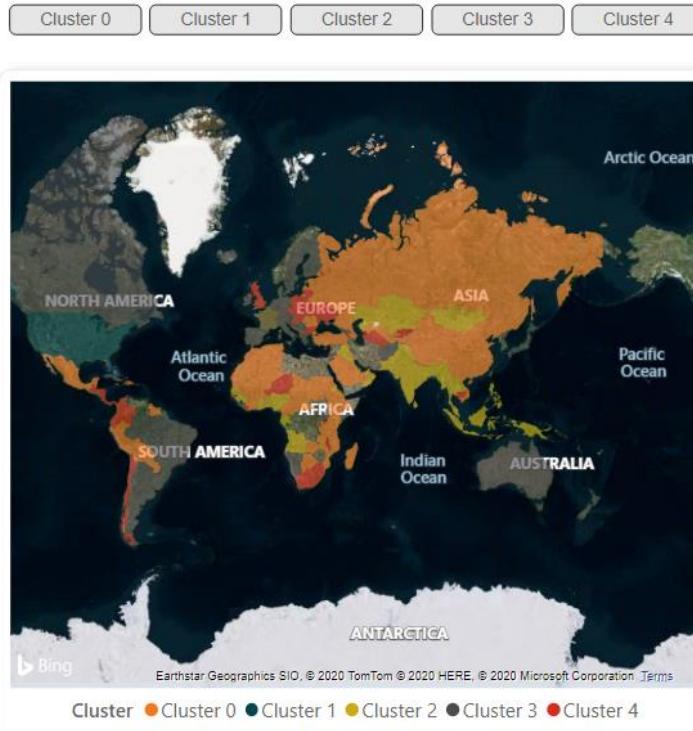
DIV_NAME	Anomaly Score	# Anomalies
Academic Support	265	19
E Education Block Grants	36	1
EDUCATION BLOCK GRANTS	265	13
Educator Support	181	8
Office of Early Learning	136	14
Office of the Secretary	366	25
Operations Support	280	20
OTHER ITEMS	152	21
SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS	301	19
<b>Total</b>	<b>2219</b>	<b>152</b>

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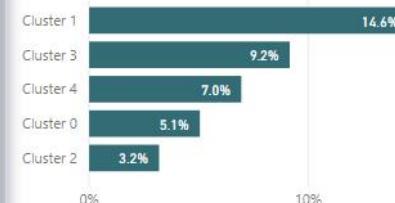


Health Expenditure as % of National GDP

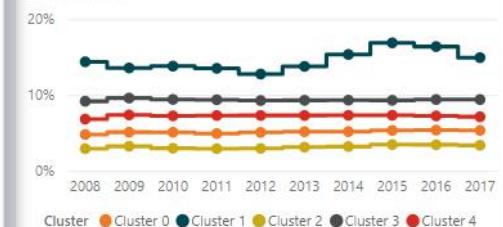


Marshall Islands spends 17% of its GDP into health, followed by US at 15%.

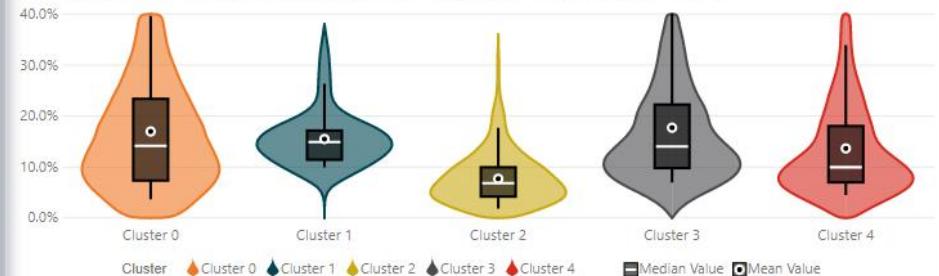
Average Health exp. as % GDP by Cluster



Average Health exp. as % GDP by Cluster over time



Distribution of Health Expenditure as % of GDP from 2000 - 2018



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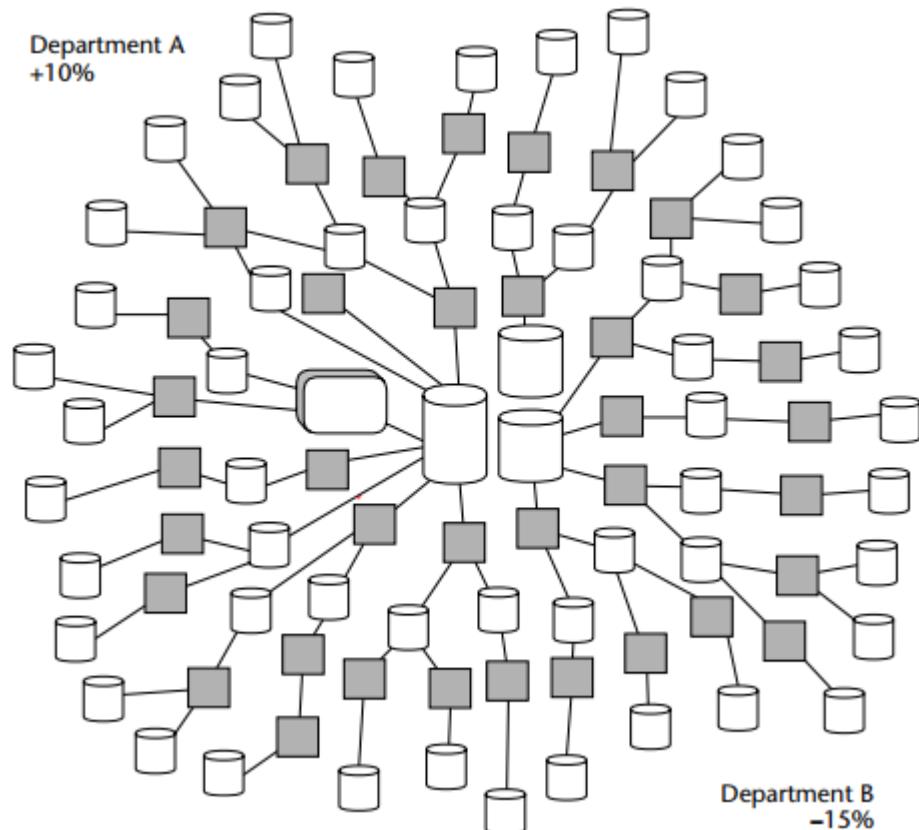
- “Business intelligence is an **infrastructure** that helps in the process of **collecting, storing, and analyzing data** from business operations.
- BI provides comprehensive **business metrics**, in **near-real-time**, to **support better decision making**. You can create performance benchmarks, spot market trends, increase compliance, and improve almost every aspect of your business with better business intelligence.”

# BI CHALLENGES

- From business
  - Reports meet the needs of business requirements and different stakeholders
  - Report usability
  - More than expectation
  - Etc.
- From technique and technology
  - BI system development
  - Different levels of BI
  - The support of BI technology
  - Etc.

# WHAT'S MORE...

- Lack of credibility
  - Sales says revenue is +10%
  - Finance says revenue is -15%
  - SCM says revenue is +5%
- Reasons
  - No time basis of data
  - The algorithmic differential of data
  - The levels of extraction
  - The problem of external data
  - No common source of data from the beginning
  - Errors of all kinds
  - Etc.



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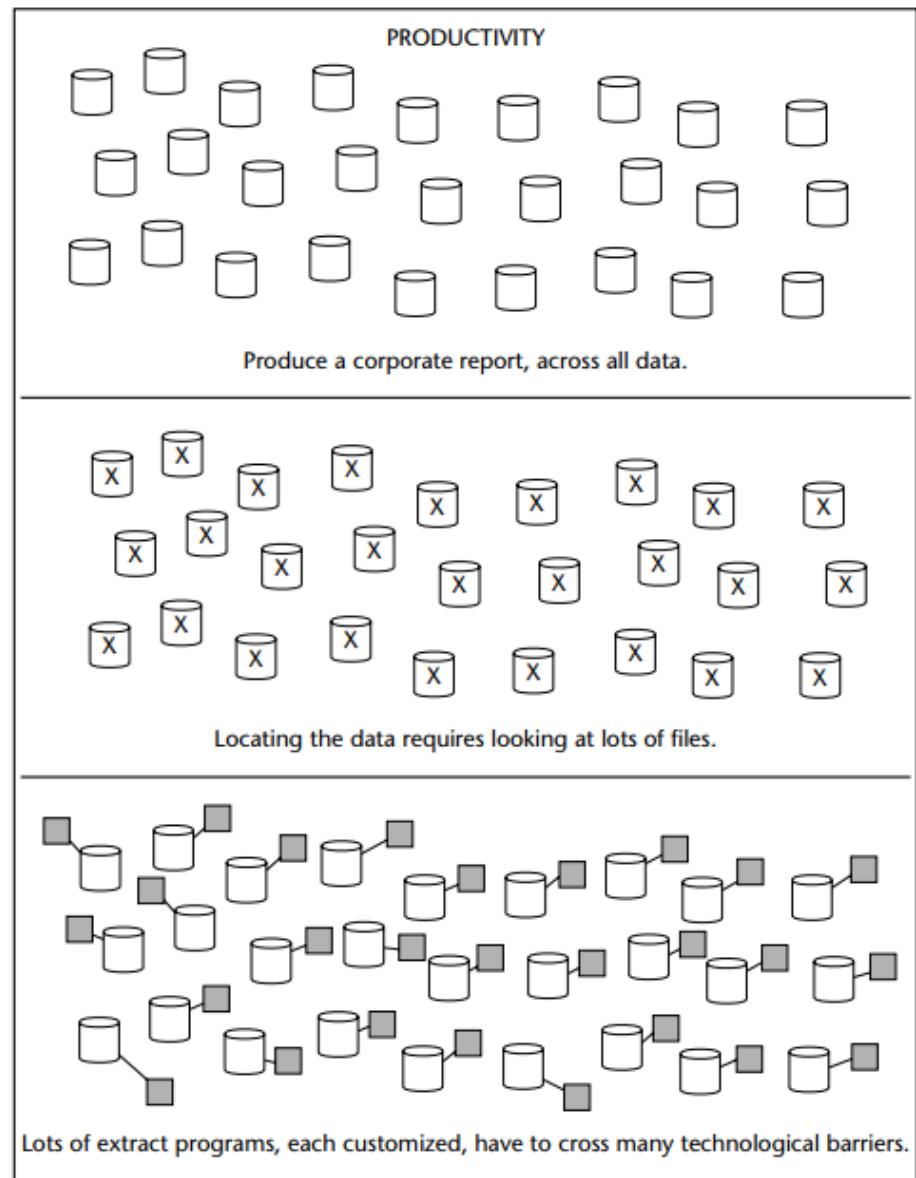
# WHAT'S MORE...

## ■ Problems of productivity

- Locate and analyze the data for the report.
- Compile the data for the report.
- Get programmer/analyst resources to accomplish these two tasks.

## ■ Reasons

- Big data (3Vs)
- Technology variance
- Reusability
- Unknown future demands
- Etc.



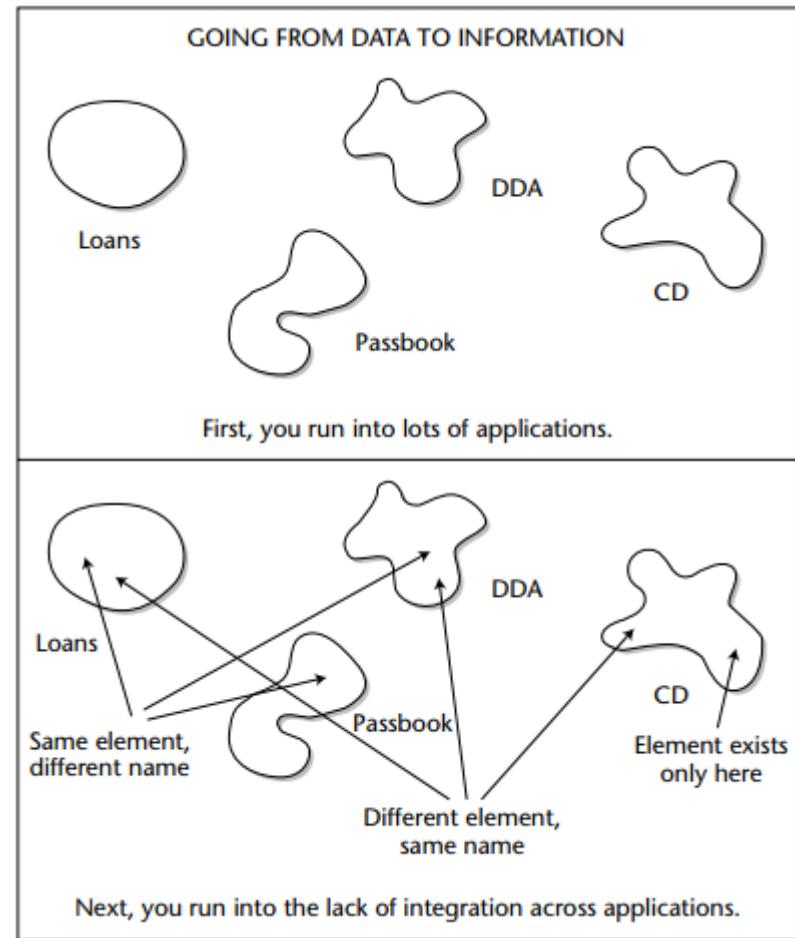
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## ■ Problems of obtaining information

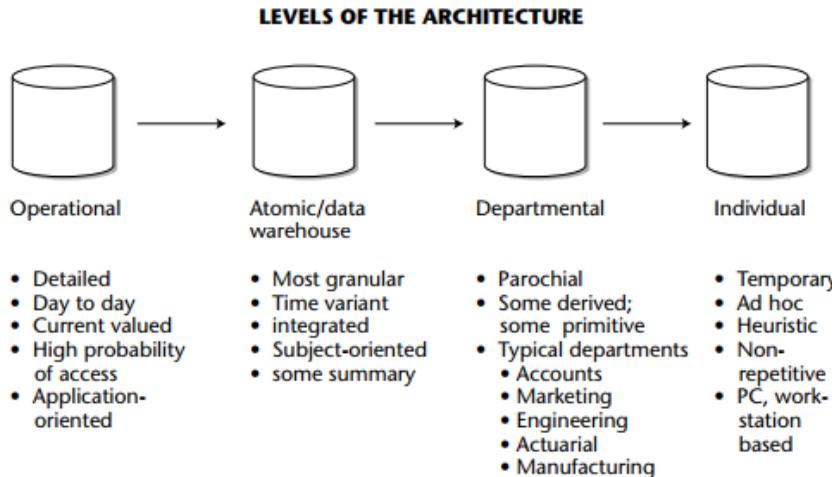
- ❑ Data is unavailable
- ❑ Data is not integrated

## ■ Reasons

- ❑ No data history
- ❑ Unforeseen data needs
- ❑ Unintegrated legacy applications
- ❑ Etc.



# ARCHITECTED ENVIRONMENT

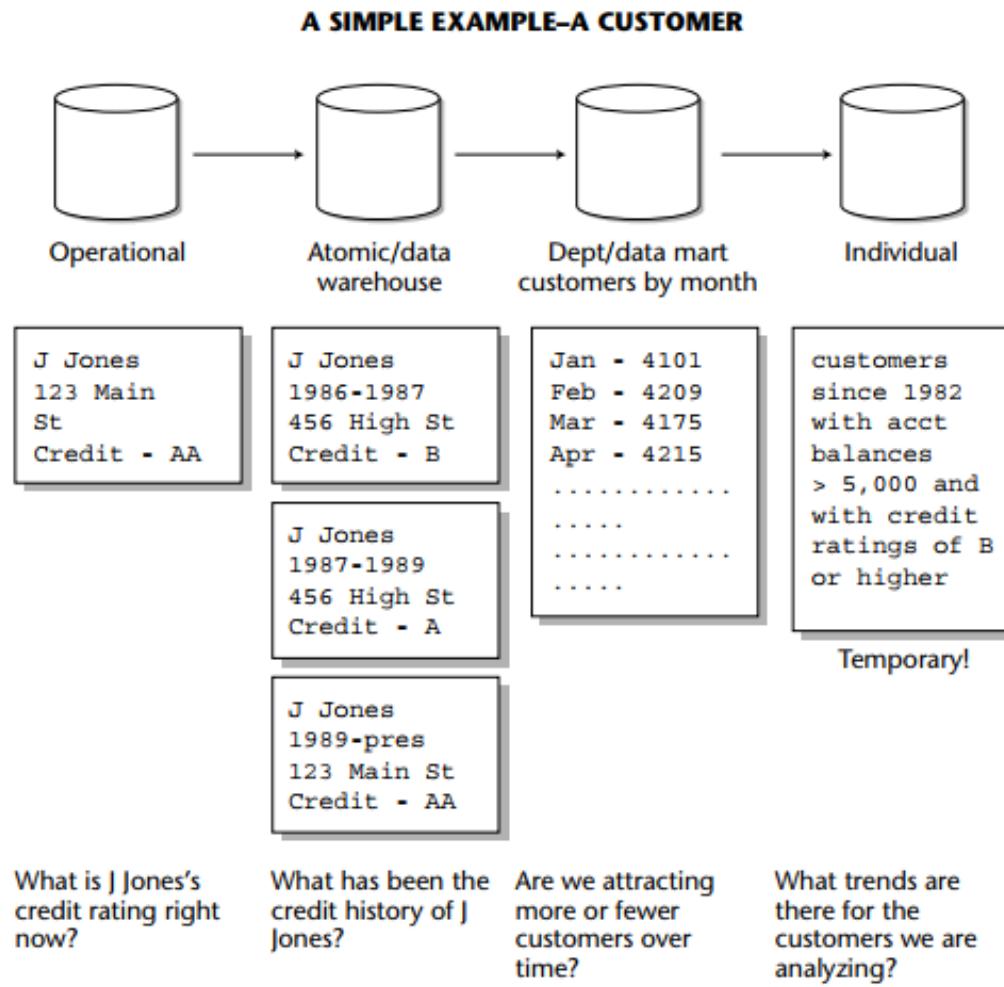


**Figure 1-10** Although it is not apparent at first glance, there is very little redundancy data across the architected environment.

<b>A CHANGE IN APPROACHES</b>	
<b>PRIMITIVE DATA/OPERATIONAL DATA</b>	<b>DERIVED DATA/DSS DATA</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Application-oriented</li><li>• Detailed</li><li>• Accurate, as of the moment of access</li><li>• Serves the clerical community</li><li>• Can be updated</li><li>• Run repetitively</li><li>• Requirements for processing understood <i>a priori</i></li><li>• Compatible with the SDLC</li><li>• Performance-sensitive</li><li>• Accessed a unit at a time</li><li>• Transaction-driven</li><li>• Control of update a major concern in terms of ownership</li><li>• High availability</li><li>• Managed in its entirety</li><li>• Nonredundancy</li><li>• Static structure; variable contents</li><li>• Small amount of data used in a process</li><li>• Supports day-to-day operations</li><li>• High probability of access</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Subject-oriented</li><li>• Summarized, otherwise refined</li><li>• Represents values over time, snapshots</li><li>• Serves the managerial community</li><li>• Is not updated</li><li>• Run heuristically</li><li>• Requirements for processing not understood <i>a priori</i></li><li>• Completely different life cycle</li><li>• Performance relaxed</li><li>• Accessed a set at a time</li><li>• Analysis-driven</li><li>• Control of update no issue</li><li>• Relaxed availability</li><li>• Managed by subsets</li><li>• Redundancy is a fact of life</li><li>• Flexible structure</li><li>• Large amount of data used in a process</li><li>• Supports managerial needs</li><li>• Low, modest probability of access</li></ul>

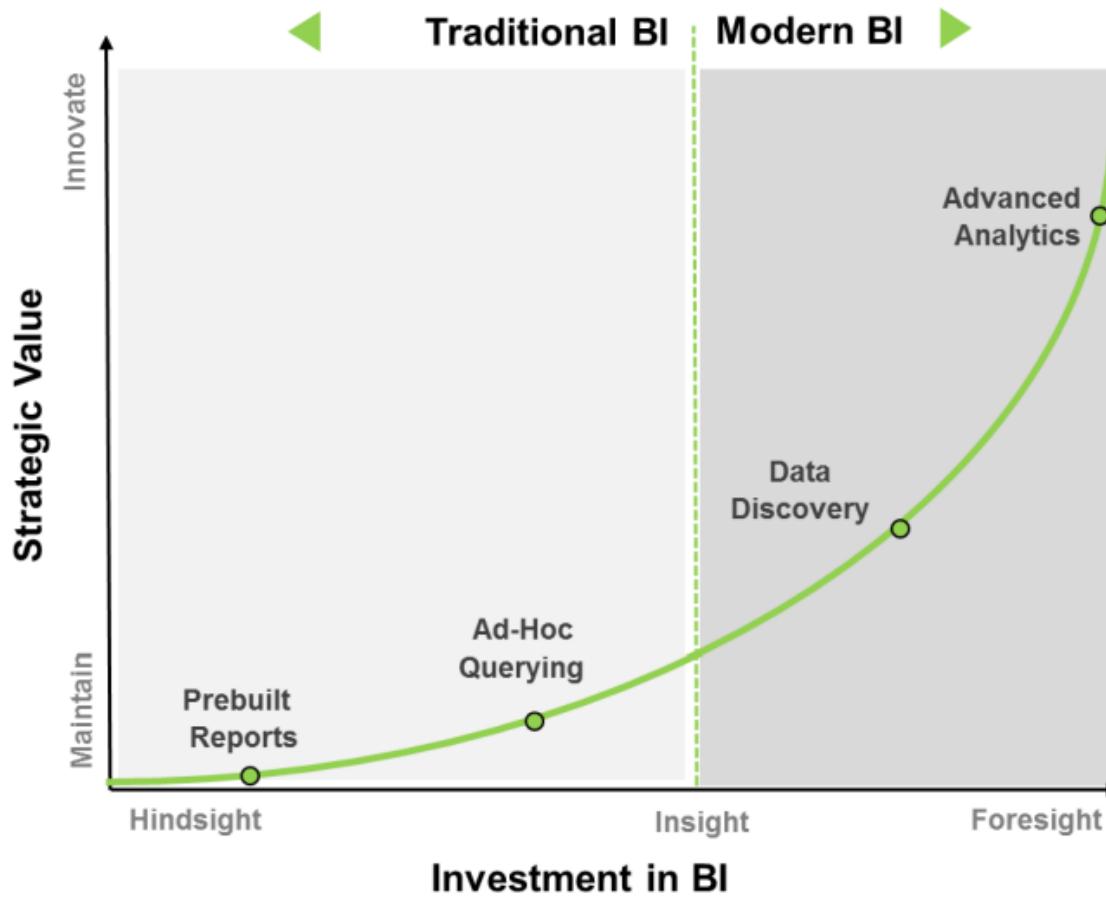
**Figure 1-9** Differences between primitive and derived data.

# AN EXAMPLE



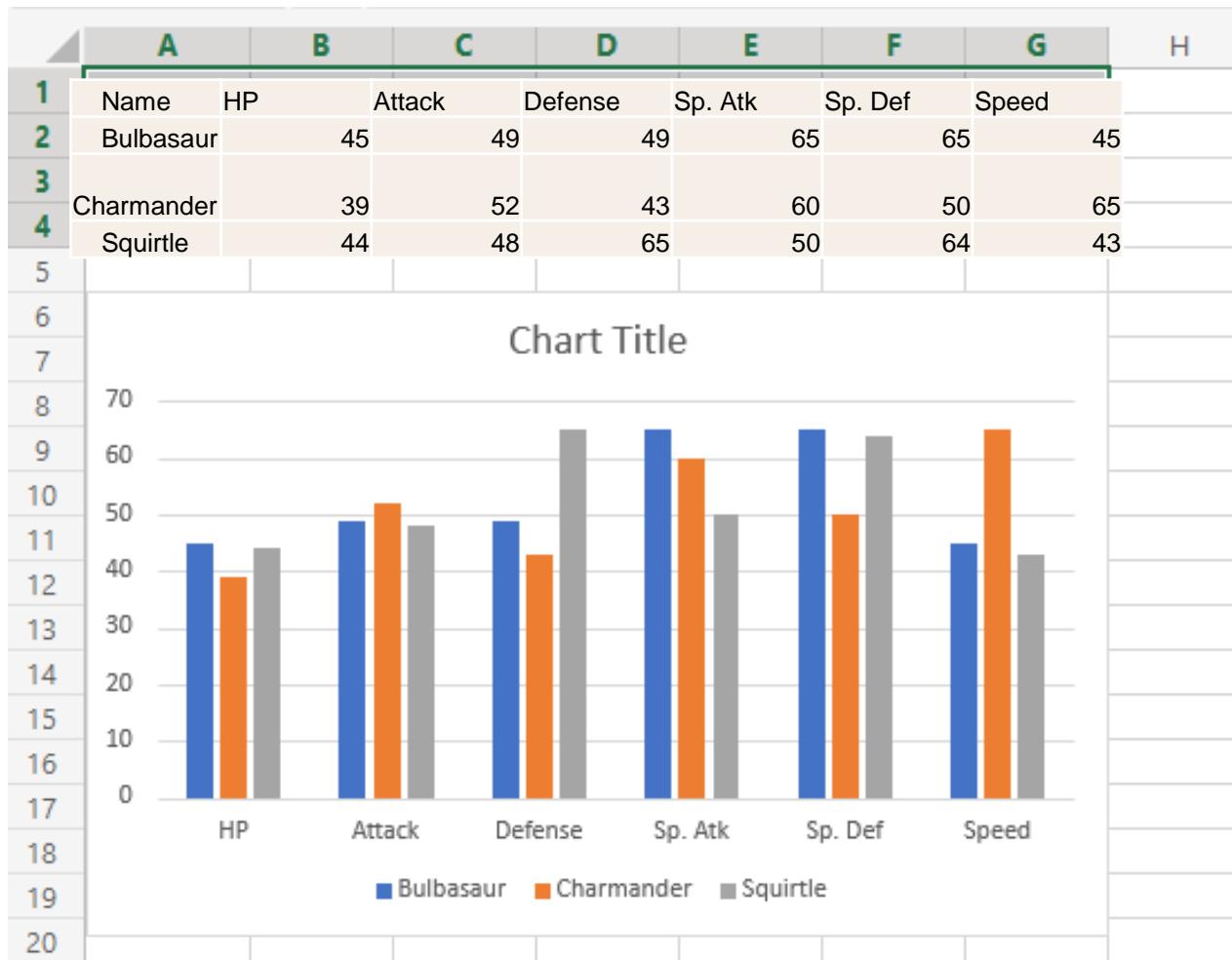
**Figure 1-11** The kinds of queries for which the different levels of data can be used.

# TRADITIONAL TO MODERN BI (1/4)



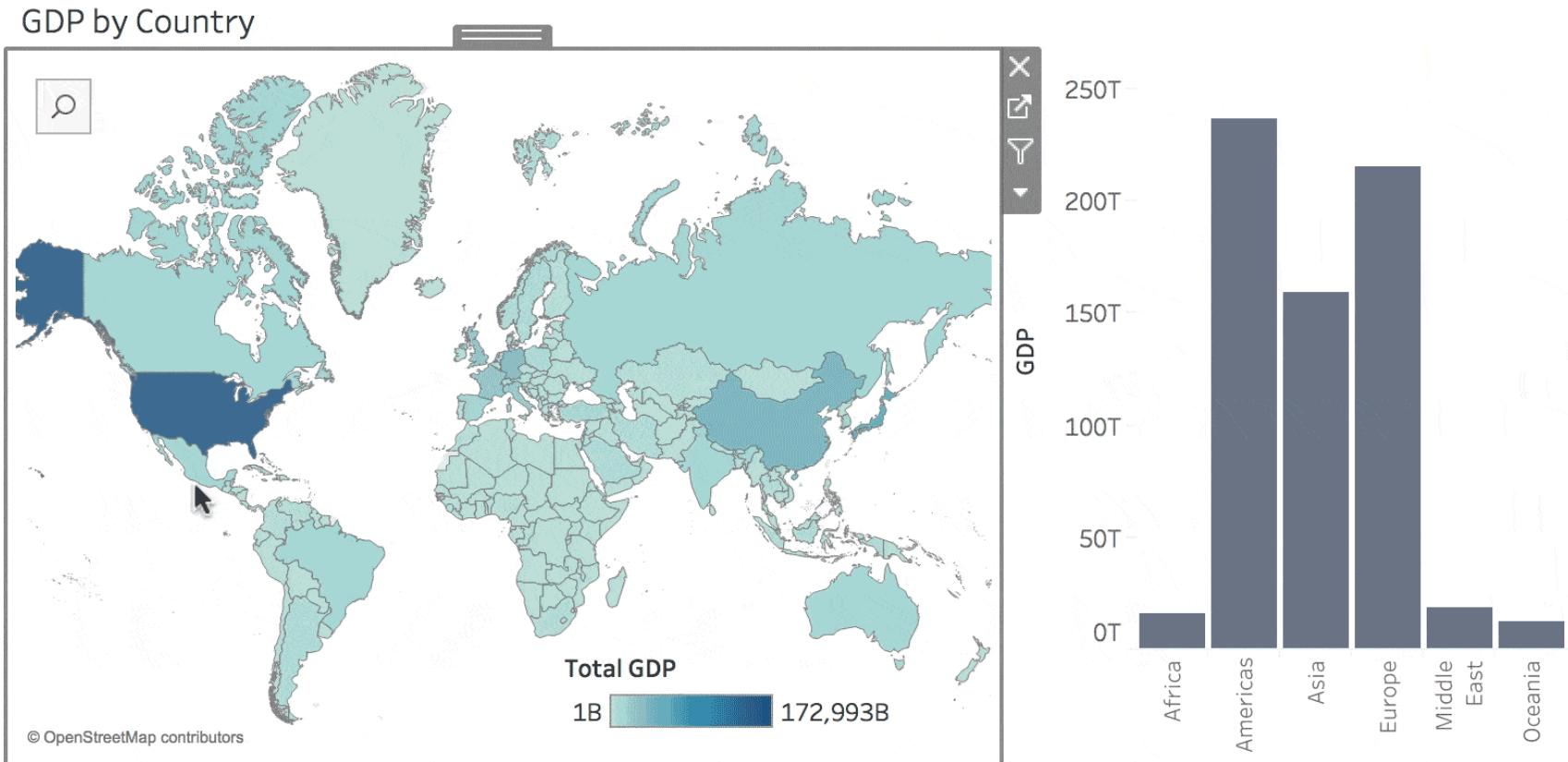
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# TRADITIONAL TO MODERN BI (3/4)



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# TRADITIONAL TO MODERN BI (3/4)

Holistics is a self-service BI platform

## Self-service analytics, with DevOps best practices

Holistics helps data teams set up self-service BIs that are reliable and easy to maintain.

How? By applying software's best practices to analytics development:

- Define analytics logic once, reuse in multiple reports
- Build reports and metrics using code and Git
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The screenshot shows the Holistics self-service BI platform. At the top, there's a header with the title "Merchants Activities" and a subtitle "Keep track of users and sellers activities". Below the header is a table with columns "City Name", "Total Users", and "Total Sellers". A row for Singapore is highlighted, showing 1530 Total Users and 240 Total Sellers. To the right of the table is a "Watch a 3-min Walkthrough" button. In the bottom left corner of the dashboard area, there's a dark box containing a snippet of DDL code:

```
1 Model orders {  
2   ...  
3     measure total_sellers {  
4       label: 'Total Sellers'  
5       definition: @sql seller_id ;;  
6       aggregation_type: 'count distinct'  
7     }  
8 }
```

A "DATA ANALYST" badge is visible near the bottom right of the dashboard area.

<https://www.holistics.io/>

# TRADITIONAL TO MODERN BI (4/4)

The screenshot shows the Tableau interface with a dashboard titled "Sales Performance". The dashboard has a dark blue header and a light gray body. On the left, there's a sidebar with two sections: "Dimensions" and "Measures".

**Dimensions:**

- Abc Category
- City
- Country
- Abc Customer Name
- Manufacturer
- Order Date
- Abc Order ID
- Postal Code
- Abc Product Name
- .Abc Profit (bin)
- Abc Region
- Abc Segment
- Ship Date
- Abc Ship Mode
- State
- Abc Sub-Category

**Measures:**

- # Discount
- =# Number of Records
- # Profit
- =# Profit Ratio
- # Quantity
- # Sales

In the center, there's a search bar with the placeholder "Ask about fields in this data source". Below it, a section titled "Or try one of these suggestions:" lists several query suggestions:

- Discount at least 0%
- by Category, top Category by most expensive Profit
- sum of Discount
- sum of Discount by Order Date's year as a line chart
- by Category
- sort Category in alphabetical order
- top Category by sum of Number of Records

At the bottom right of the dashboard area, there are "Feedback" and "Learn More" buttons.

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# BI PROCESSES AND ACTIVITIES

- Reporting and visualization
- Statistical analysis
- Data mining
- Performance metrics and benchmarking
- Visual storytelling
- Data preparation
- Querying
- Etc.

# BI STRATEGY BY TABLEAU

1. Know your business strategy and goals.
2. Identify key stakeholders.
3. Choose a sponsor from your key stakeholders.
4. Choose your BI platform and tools.
5. Create a BI team.
6. Define your scope.
7. Prepare your data infrastructure.
8. Define your goals and roadmap.

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# DISCUSSION



## BUSINESS ANALYTICS VS. DATA ANALYTICS

# DISCUSSION



## BI PROS AND CONS

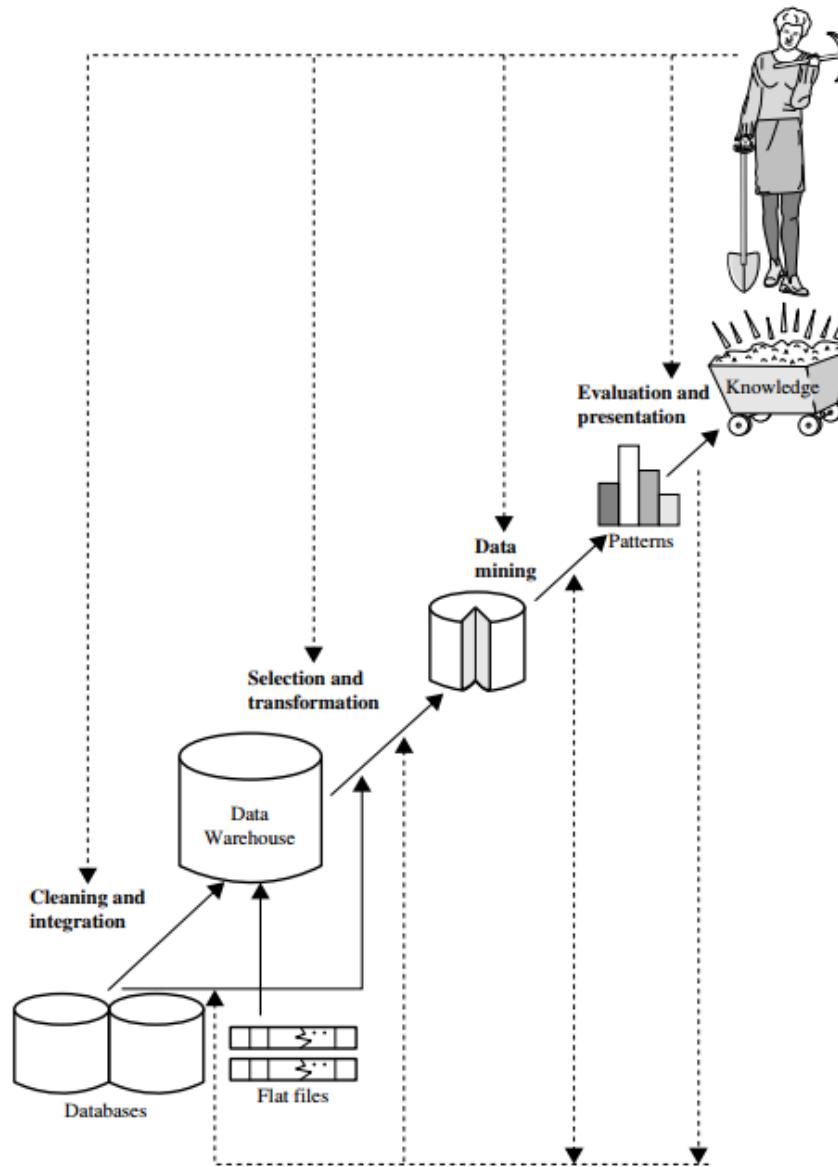
# DISCUSSION



BI APPLICATION  
(E.g., PowerBI, Tableau, Looker  
Studio, Holistics)

# DATA MINING OVERVIEW

# KNOWLEDGE DISCOVERY



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**Figure 1.4** Data mining as a step in the process of knowledge discovery.

# NORMALIZATION VS. DE-NORMALIZATION

- **Normalization** is used to decompose one table data into different sub-tables data
- **Denormalization** is used to combine multiple table data into one

# OLTP vs. OLAP

**Table 4.1** Comparison of OLTP and OLAP Systems

Feature	OLTP	OLAP
Characteristic	operational processing	informational processing
Orientation	transaction	analysis
User	clerk, DBA, database professional	knowledge worker (e.g., manager, executive, analyst)
Function	day-to-day operations	long-term informational requirements decision support
DB design	ER-based, application-oriented	star/snowflake, subject-oriented
Data	current, guaranteed up-to-date	historic, accuracy maintained over time
Summarization	primitive, highly detailed	summarized, consolidated
View	detailed, flat relational	summarized, multidimensional
Unit of work	short, simple transaction	complex query
Access	read/write	mostly read
Focus	data in	information out
Operations	index/hash on primary key	lots of scans
Number of records accessed	tens	millions
Number of users	thousands	hundreds
DB size	GB to high-order GB	≥ TB
Priority	high performance, high availability	high flexibility, end-user autonomy
Metric	transaction throughput	query throughput, response time

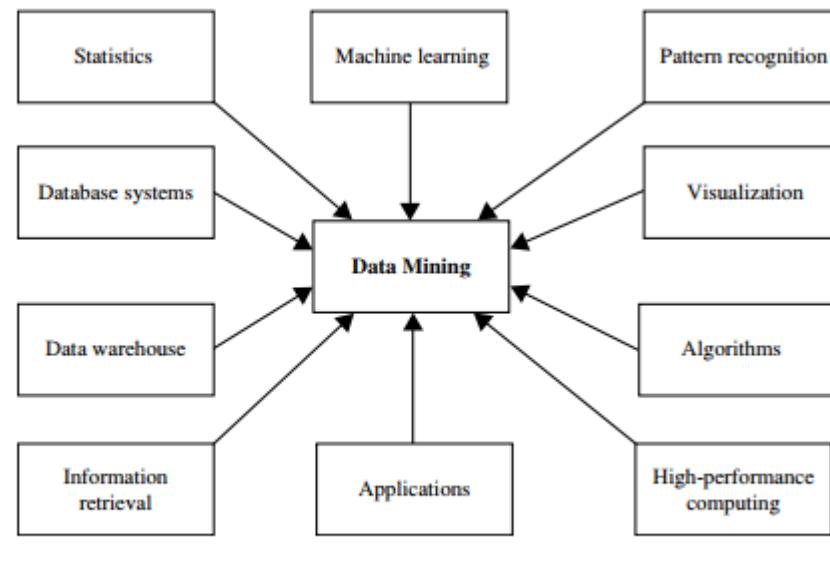
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Note: Table is partially based on Chaudhuri and Dayal [CD97].



# DATA MINING

- Data mining is the process of discovering interesting patterns and knowledge from large amounts of data.



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**Figure 1.11** Data mining adopts techniques from many domains.

# DATA MINING FUNCTIONALITY

## ■ Descriptive tasks

- characterize properties of the data in a target data set

## ■ Predictive tasks

- perform induction on the current data in order to make predictions

# KINDS OF DATA TO BE MINED

- Database data
- Data warehouse data
- Transactional data
- Stream data
- Sequence data
- Graph data
- Spatial data
- Text data
- Multimedia data
- Etc.

# KINDS OF PATTERNS TO BE MINED

- Class description
- Frequent patterns
- Associations
- Classification and regression
- Cluster analysis
- Outlier analysis

# DATA CHARACTERIZATION

- It **summarizes** the data of the class under study (often called the target class) in general terms
- E.g.,
  - Summarizing the characteristics of customers who spend more than \$5000 a year at AllElectronics.
  - The result is a general profile of these customers, such as that they are 40 to 50 years old, employed, and have excellent credit ratings.
  - The data mining system should allow the customer relationship manager to drill down on any dimension, such as on occupation to view these customers according to their type of employment.

# DATA DISCRIMINATION

- It **compares** the target class with one or a set of comparative classes (often called the contrasting classes)
- E.g.,
  - Comparing two groups of customers—those who shop for computer products regularly (e.g., more than twice a month) and those who rarely shop for such products (e.g., less than three times a year).
  - The resulting description provides a general comparative profile of these customers, such as that 80% of the customers who frequently purchase computer products are between 20 and 40 years old and have a university education, whereas 60% of the customers who infrequently buy such products are either seniors or youths, and have no university degree. Drilling down on a dimension like occupation, or adding a new dimension like income level, may help to find even more discriminative features between the two classes.

# FREQUENT PATTERNS

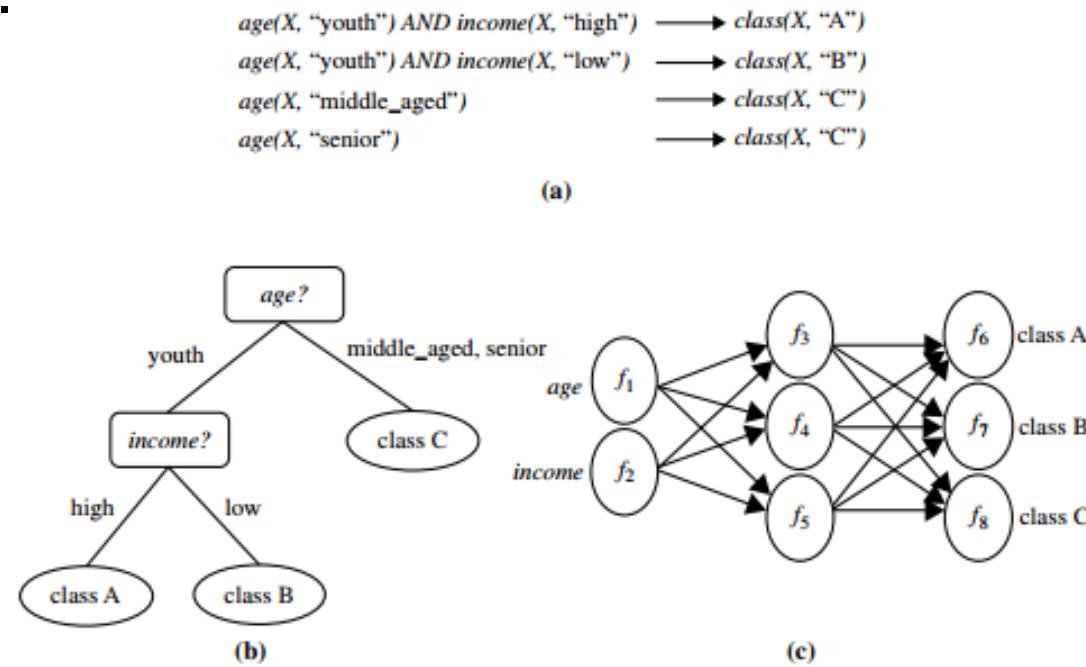
- They are patterns that occur frequently in data
  - Frequent itemsets: a set of items that often appear together in a transactional data set
  - Frequent subsequences: a frequently occurring subsequence
  - Frequent substructures: a frequently occurring structural forms (e.g., graphs, trees, or lattices) that may be combined with itemsets or subsequences.

# ASSOCIATIONS

- Mining frequent patterns leads to the discovery of interesting associations within data.
- E.g.,
  - $\text{buys}(X, \text{"computer"}) \rightarrow \text{buys}(X, \text{"software"})$  with  $\text{support} = 1\%$  and  $\text{confidence} = 50\%$
  - $\text{age}(X, \text{"20..29"}) \text{ and } \text{income}(X, \text{"40K..49K"}) \rightarrow \text{buys}(X, \text{"laptop"})$  with  $\text{support} = 2\%$  and  $\text{confidence} = 60\%$

# CLASSIFICATION

- Classification is the process of finding a model (or function) that describes and distinguishes data classes or concepts.



**Figure 1.9** A classification model can be represented in various forms: (a) IF-THEN rules, (b) a decision tree, or (c) a neural network.

# REGRESSION

- Regression models continuous-valued functions. That is, regression is used to predict missing or unavailable numerical data values rather than (discrete) class labels.

Simple linear regression:

$$Y = a + bX + u$$

Multiple linear regression:

$$Y = a + b_1X_1 + b_2X_2 + b_3X_3 + \dots + b_tX_t + u$$

where:

$Y$  = The dependent variable you are trying to predict or explain

$X$  = The explanatory (independent) variable(s) you are using to predict or associate with  $Y$

$a$  = The y-intercept

$b$  = (beta coefficient) is the slope of the explanatory variable(s)

$u$  = The regression residual or error term

# CLUSTER ANALYSIS

- Clusters of objects are formed so that objects within a cluster have high similarity in comparison to one another, but are rather dissimilar to objects in other clusters.
- Clustering analyzes data objects without consulting class labels.
- E.g., interests based on locations

# OUTLIER ANALYSIS

- Objects that do not comply with the general behavior or model of the data. These data objects are outliers.
- E.g., fraudulent usage of credit cards

# DISCUSSION



ARE ALL PATTERNS  
INTERESTING?

# DISCUSSION



DATA MINING VS.  
MACHINE LEARNING?

TO BE CONTINUED...

- Lecture 2: Data pre-processing

# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS



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