




Business Intelligence

05b CRISP-DM – Project Understanding

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Schedule

	Wed., 10:00-12:00			Fr., 14:00-16:00 (Start at 14:30)		Self-study	
Basics	W1	17.4.	(Meta-)Introduction	19.4.		Python-Basics	Chap. 1
	W2	24.4.	Data Warehouse – Overview & OLAP	26.4.	[Blockveranstaltung SE Prof. Gersch]		Chap. 2
	W3	1.5.		3.5.	Data Warehouse Modeling I 		Chap. 3
	W4	8.5.	Data Warehouse Modeling I & II	10.5.	Data Mining Introduction		
Main Part	W5	15.5.	CRISP-DM, Project understanding	17.5.	Python-Basics-Online Exercise	Python-Analytics	Chap. 1
	W6	22.5.	Data Understanding, Data Visualization	24.5.	No lectures, but bonus tasks 1.) Co-Create your exam 2.) Earn bonus points for the exam		Chap. 2
	W7	29.5.	Data Preparation	31.5.			
	W8	5.6.	Predictive Modeling I	7.6.	Predictive Modeling II (10:00 -12:00)	BI-Project	Start
	W9	12.6.	Fitting a Model I	14.6.	Python-Analytics-Online Exercise		
	W10	19.6.	Guest Lecture	21.6.	Fitting a Model II		
	W11	26.6.	How to avoid overfitting	28.6.	What is a good Model?		
Deepening	W12	3.7.	Project status update Evidence and Probabilities	5.7.	Similarity (and Clusters) From Machine to Deep Learning I		
	W13	10.7.		12.7.	From Machine to Deep Learning II		
	W14	17.7.	Project presentation	19.7.	Project presentation		End
Ref.					Klausur 1.Termin ~ 22.7. bis 3.8. Klausur 2.Termin ~ 23.9. bis 5.10.	Projektbericht	

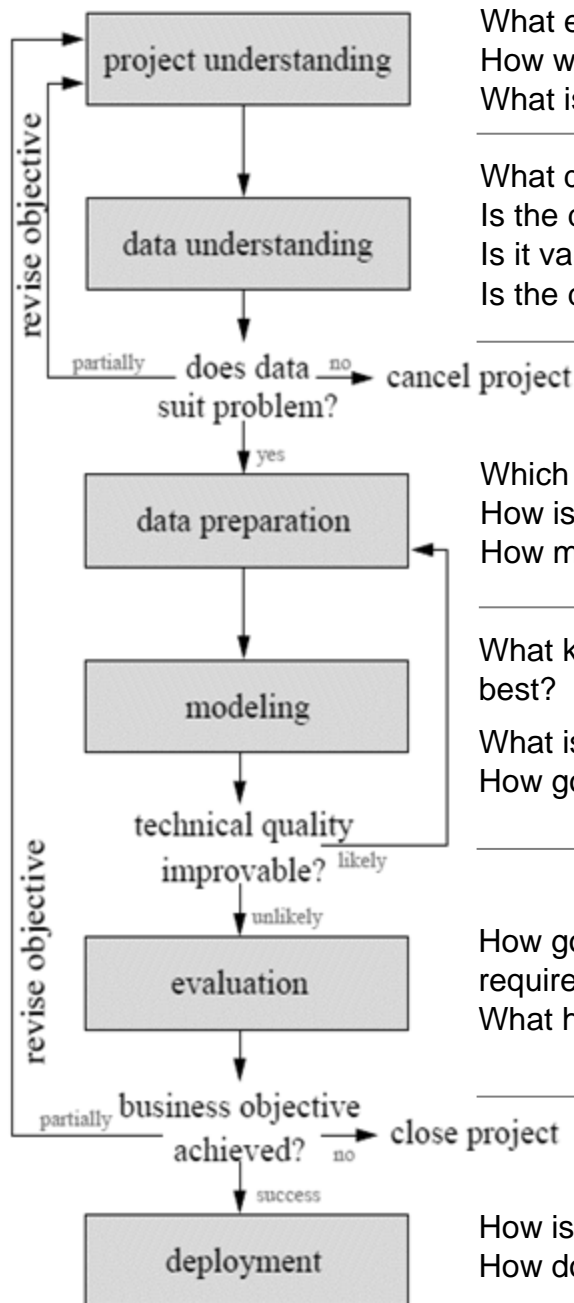
CRISP-DM

Cross
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Process for
Data
Mining

Iteration as
a rule

Process of data
exploration

Implementation of
the KDD Process



What exactly is the problem, the expected benefit?
How would a solution look like?
What is known about the domain?

What data do we have available?
Is the data relevant to the problem?
Is it valid? Does it reflect our expectations?
Is the data quality, quantity, recency sufficient?

Which data should we concentrate on?
How is the data best transformed for modeling?
How may we increase the data quality?

What kind of model architecture suits the problem best?
What is the best technique/method to get the model?
How good does the model perform technically?

How good is the model in terms of project requirements?
What have we learned from the project?

How is the model best deployed?
How do we know that the model is still valid?

Understand the problem to be solved, its context, and the subsequent requirements for a solution.

Data are the available **raw materials** from which the solution will be built.
Match business problem to one or several data mining tasks

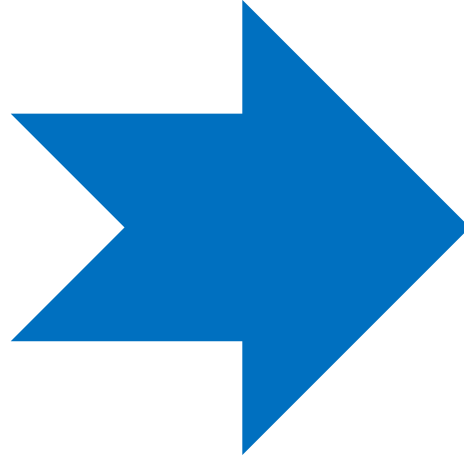
Data often need to be manipulated and converted into forms that yield better results
Match **data** and **requirements** of DM techniques
Select the relevant **variables**

This is the primary place where **DM techniques** are applied to the data
Select a Model, generate a test design, build the model and assess it.

Assess the DM results **rigorously** (Gain confidence that results are valid and reliable)
Ensure that the model satisfies the original **business goals** (support decision making)

Ensure **comprehensibility** of the model to stakeholders
Evaluation framework needed (tested environments)

Models are put into **real use** in order to realize some return on investment.



(1) Project Understanding

Assess the situation

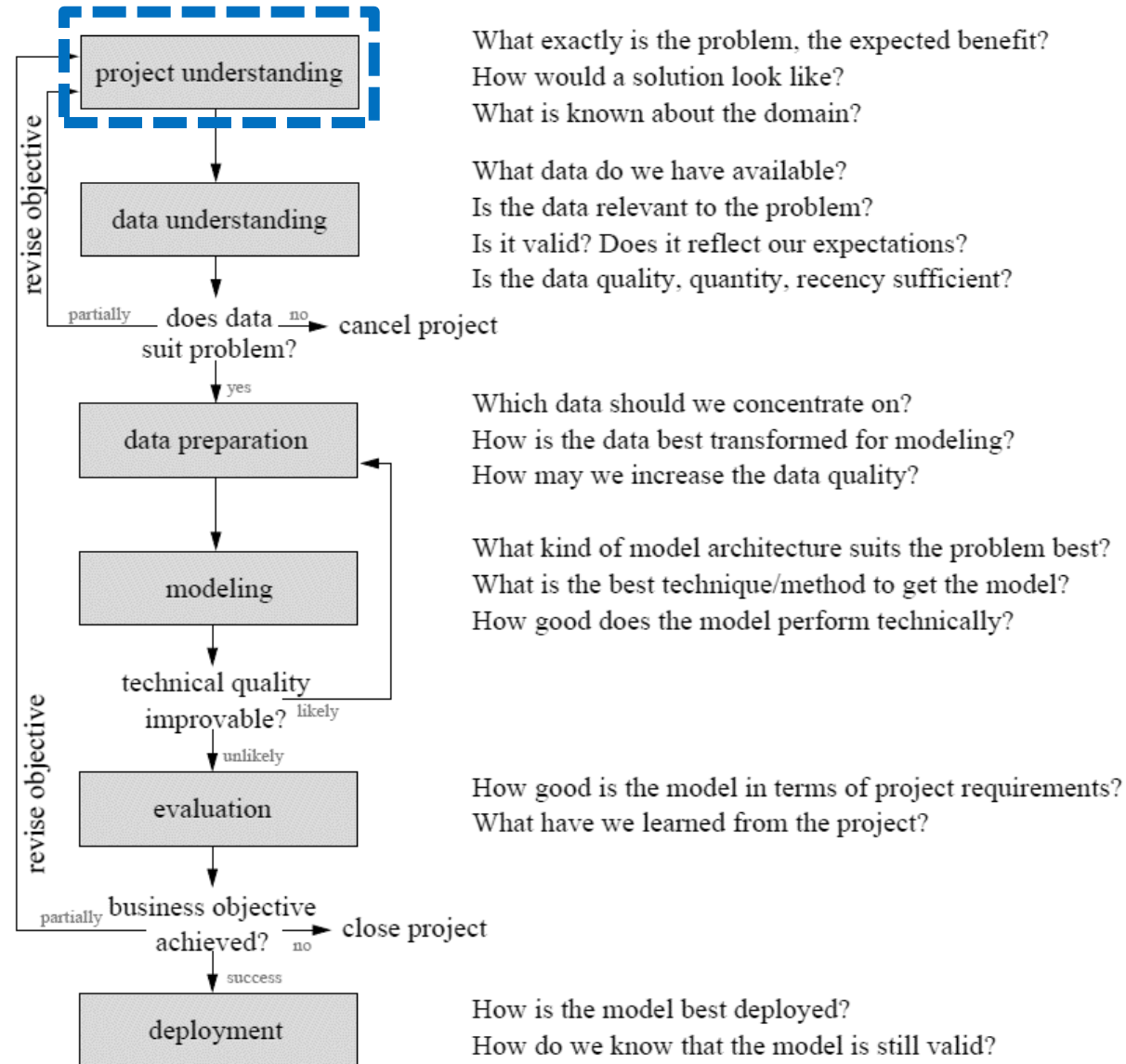
Determine analysis goals

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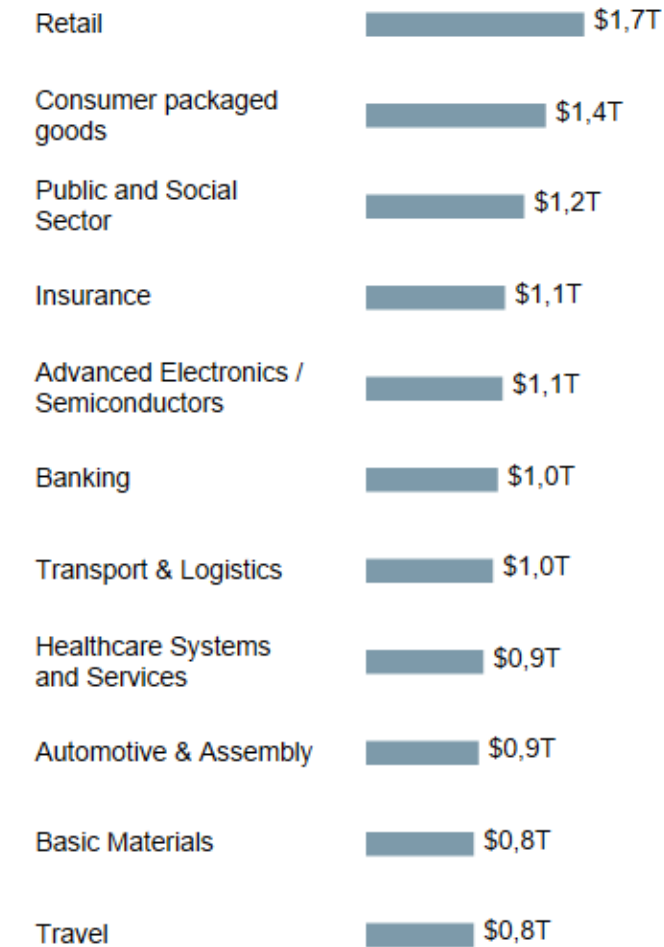
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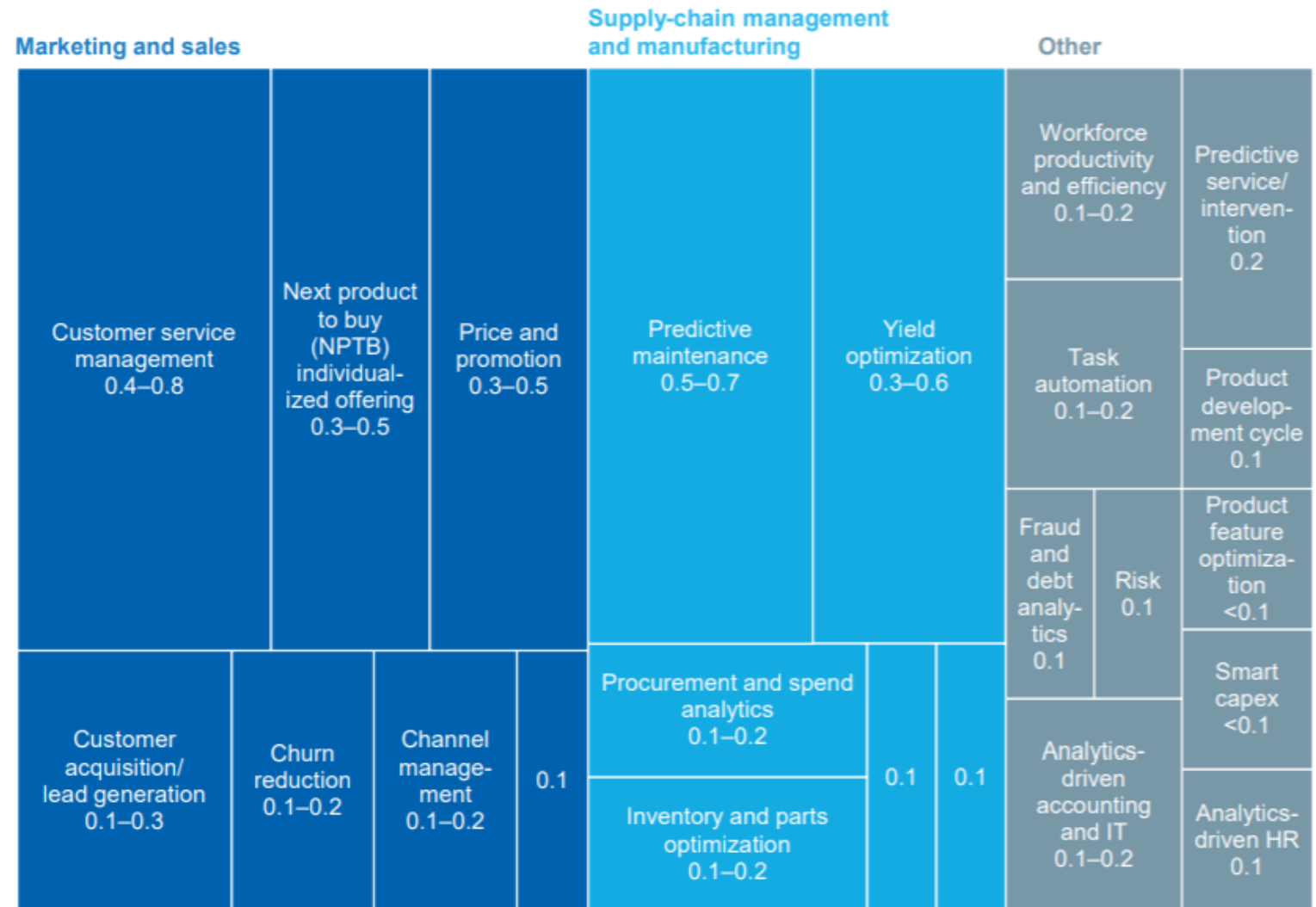


Excursus: Business Problem Domains

AI and other analytics impact by industry, function and business problem.



Impact of AI per industry in trillion \$

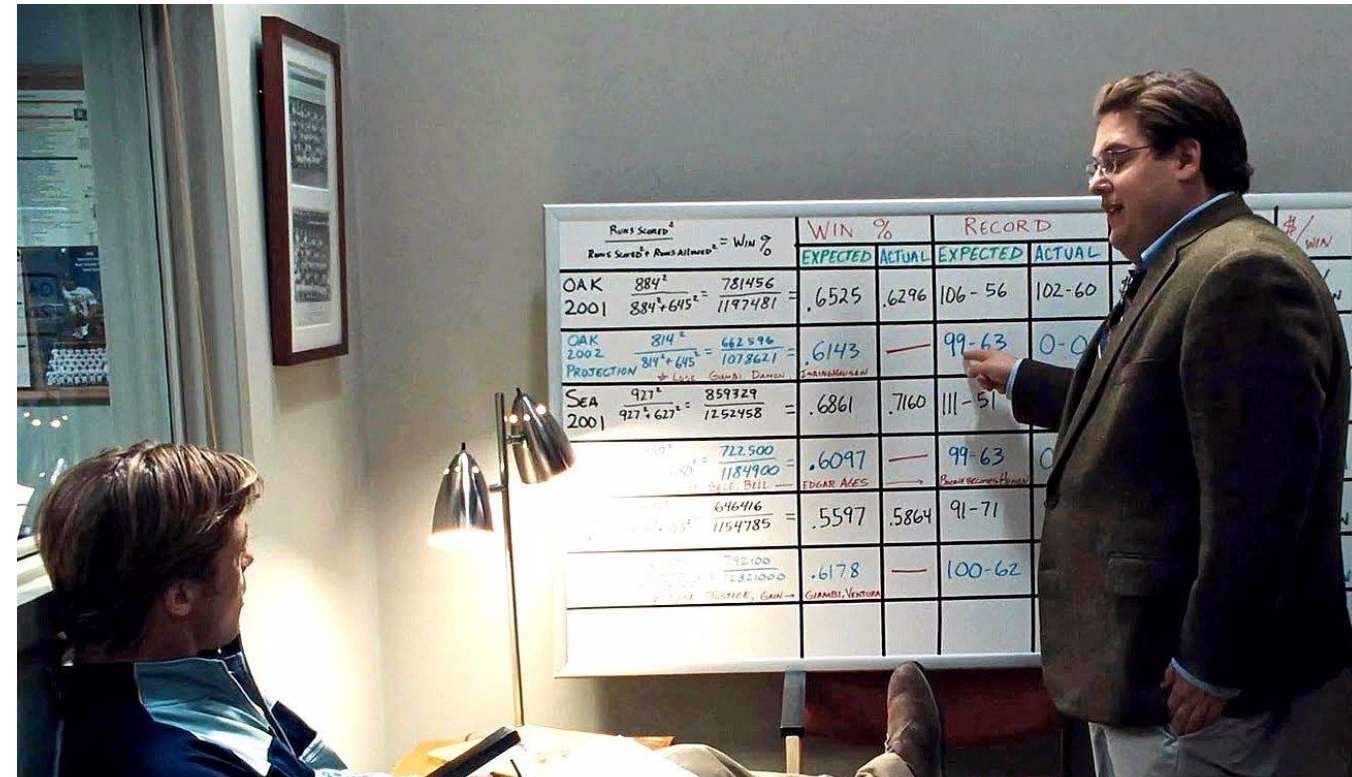


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Project understanding

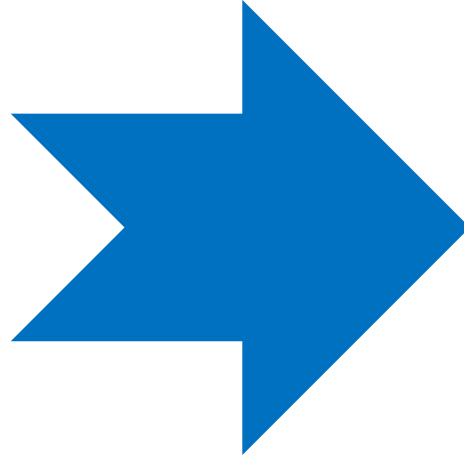
Assess **the main objective**, the potential benefit, as well as the constraints, assumptions and risks.

- Problem formulation
 - Map the problem formulation to a data analysis task
 - Understand the situation
(available data, suitability of the data, ...)
- **Assess the situation**
- **Determine analysis goals**



Average time spent for project and data understanding within the CRISP-DM model: 20%

Importance for success: 80%



(1) Project Understanding

Assess the situation

Determine analysis goals

Assess the situation

Project's success

Estimate chances of a successful data analysis project

Resources (data!), requirements and risks

Does the given data satisfy the project's needs?

Typical requirements and constraints:

Model requirements

e.g., model has to be explanatory, because decisions must be justified clearly

vs. blackbox behavior

Ethical, political, legal issues

e.g., variables such as gender, ethnicity must not be used

e.g., no racial profiling

(Example from Antidiskriminierungsstelle des Bundes)

Technical constraints

e.g., applying the technical solution must not take more than n seconds

e.g., spam detection

Assess the situation

Determine the project objective

The aim of the project should be clearly defined

Criteria to measure the success of the project should be agreed upon

Aim/ Objective: increase revenues (per campaign and or/per customer) in direct mailing campaigns by personalized offer and individual customer selection

Deliverable: software that automatically selects a specified number of customers from the database to whom the mailing shall be sent, runtime max. half a day

Success criteria: improve order rate by 5% or total revenues by 5%, measured within 4 weeks after mailing was sent



Assess the situation

Assumptions

Representativeness:

Sample in the database must be representative for the whole population for which we intend to generalize.*

Informativeness:

To cover all aspects by the model, most of the influencing factors (e.g. identified in the *cognitive map*) should be represented by attributes in the database

Good data quality:

The relevant data must be correct, complete, up-to-date and unambiguous thanks to the available documentation.

Presence of external factors:

We may assume that the external world does not change constantly

*Excursus: Not representative “84% want to abolish the time changeover”
[Link to European Commission](#), [Link to newspaper article](#)

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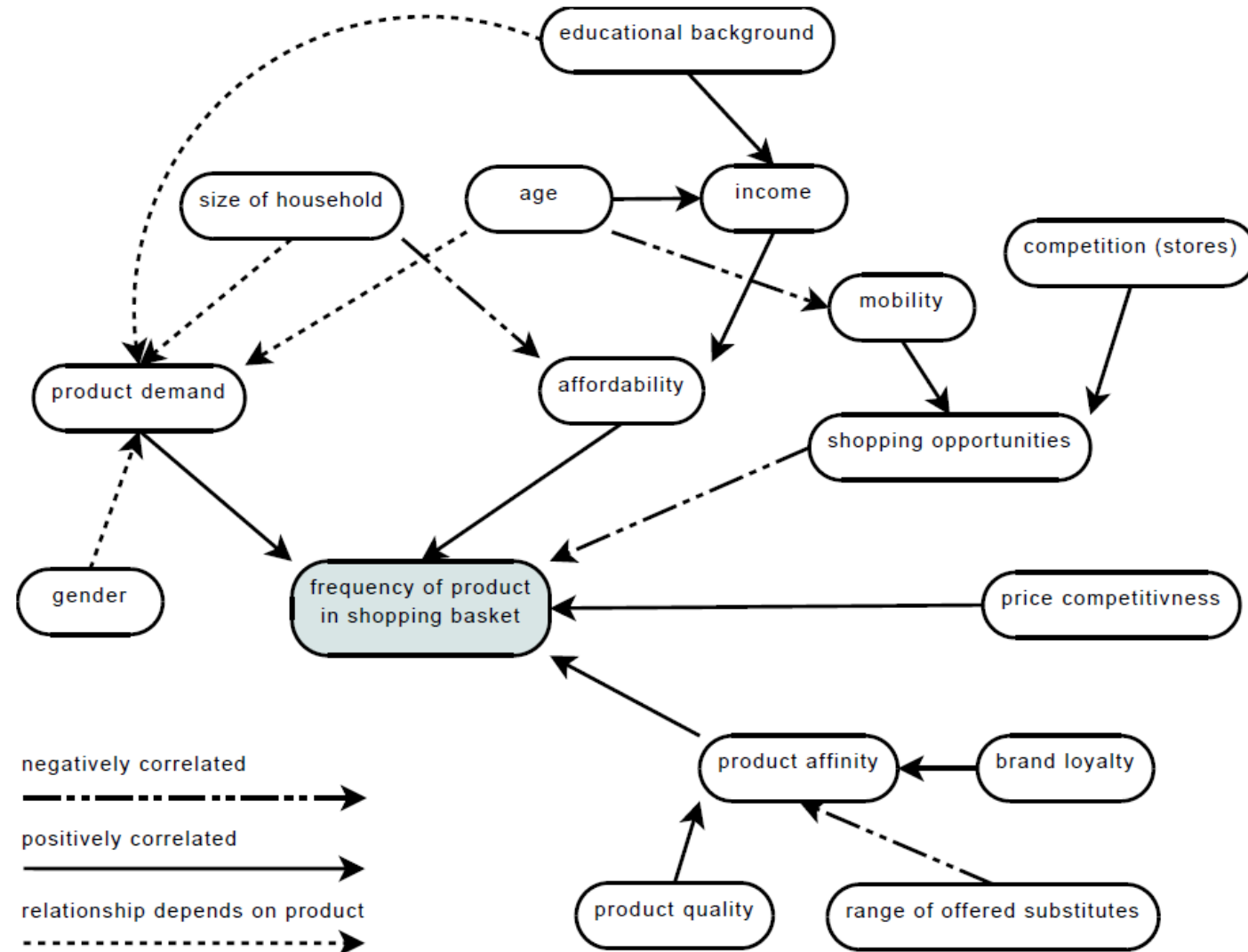
Cognitive map for domain knowledge

Perception of a reality

Directed graph of variables (**causal concept**) and relations (**causal connections**) in the decision problem domain and their strength (**causal value**).

The development of a cognitive map supports **domain understanding** and adjustment of expectations

- Include only direct dependencies to keep the map clear
- Choose labels of nodes carefully so they are easily interpretable
- Stick to the labels in project communication



Exercise: Cognitive map

Domain knowledge?



Final grade in a
mandatory course

(Operations Research)
(Electronic Business)
(Business Intelligence)
(Service Engineering)

5 Min.

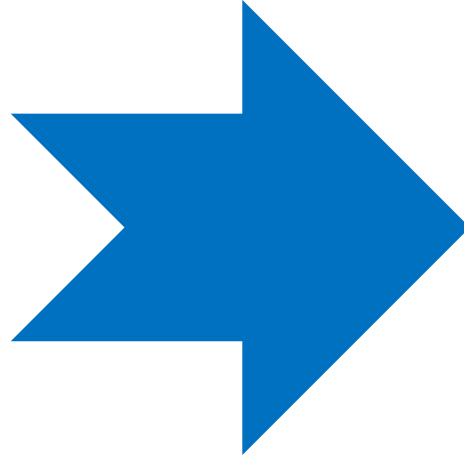
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Risks: Domain experts and data analysis experts

Problem source	Project owner perspective	Analyst perspective
Communication	Does not understand the <i>technical terms</i> of an analyst	Does not understand the <i>terms of the domain</i>
Lack of understanding	Is not sure <i>what</i> the analyst <i>could do</i> or achieve	Finds it hard to understand <i>how to help</i> the project owner
Organization	<i>Requirements</i> have to be adopted <i>in later stages</i> as problems with data become evident	Project owner is an <i>unpredictable group</i> (not so concerned with the project)



-> Possible solutions?



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Assess the situation

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Problem decomposition

Determine DM tasks and decompose problem

- Classification, regression, cluster analysis, ...

Specify the requirements for the models that will be constructed by the DM tasks

There is no unique best method for a task

Interpretability

If the goal of the analysis is a report that sketches possible explanations for a certain situation, the ultimate goal is to **understand** the delivered model.

For some **black box models** it is hard to comprehend how the final decision is made, and their model lacks interpretability. (i.e., deep learning)



Determine analysis goals

Stability and Flexibility

Reproducibility / stability

If the analysis is carried out more than once, we may achieve similar performance – but not necessarily similar models.

This does no harm if the model is used as a black box, but hinders a direct **comparison** of subsequent models to investigate their differences.

Model flexibility / adequacy

A flexible model can adapt to more (complicated) situations than an inflexible model, which typically makes more assumptions about the real world and requires less parameters.

If the problem domain is complex, the model learned from data must also be complex to be successful. With flexible models the risk of **overfitting** increases.



Ref.

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Runtime

If restrictive runtime requirements are given (either for building or applying the model), this may exclude some computationally expensive approaches.

Interestingness and use of expert knowledge

The more an expert already knows, the more challenging it is to **surprise** her with new findings. Some techniques are known for their large number of findings, many of them redundant and thus uninteresting.

So if there is a possibility of including any kind of previous knowledge, this may ease the search for the best model considerably and may **prevent us from re-discovering** too many well-known artefacts.



Fragen?

- ✓ The data mining process – CRISP-DM
- ✓ Business / Project understanding

Starting in week W8, you will continue to deepen this content by working on your project

Recommended reading (for this week)

Berthold et al. Guide to Intelligent Data Analysis
Chapter 3, 4

Provost, F., Data Science for Business
Fawcett, T. Chapter 2

Pyle, D. Business Modeling and Data Mining. Morgan Kaufmann, San Mateo (2003)