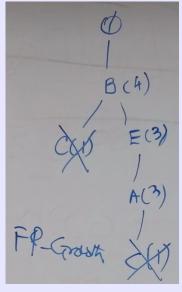
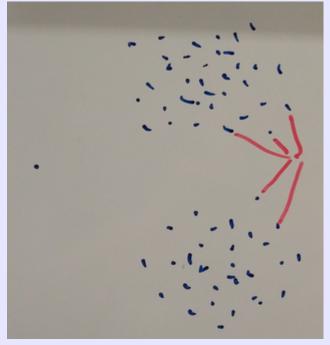


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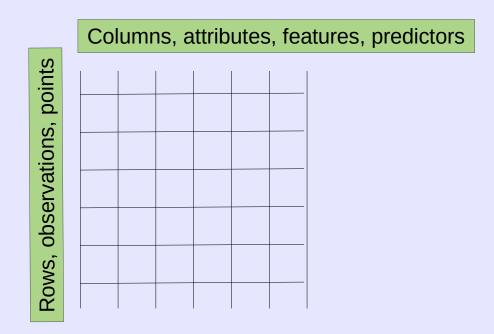
Lecture 4: Components of Learning,
Decision Trees



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- Recall, most data mining / machine learning algorithms operate on matrices.
- The canonical picture to keep in mind is this:



• Example of a *matrix* data layout.

Projection of x Load	Projection of y load	Distance	Load	Thickness	
10.23	5.27	15.22	2.7	1.2	
12.65	6.25	16.22	2.2	1.1	

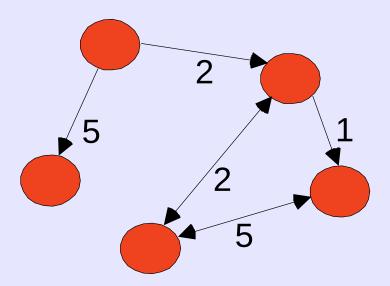
Example of a document data layout.

	token1	token2	token3	token4	token5	token6	token7	token8	token9	token10
Document 1	3	0	5	0	2	6	0	2	0	2
Document 2	0	7	0	2	1	0	0	3	0	0
Document 3	0	1	0	0	1	2	2	0	3	0

• Example of a *transaction* data layout.

TID	Items
1	Bread, Coke, Milk
2	Beer, Bread
3	Beer, Coke, Diaper, M

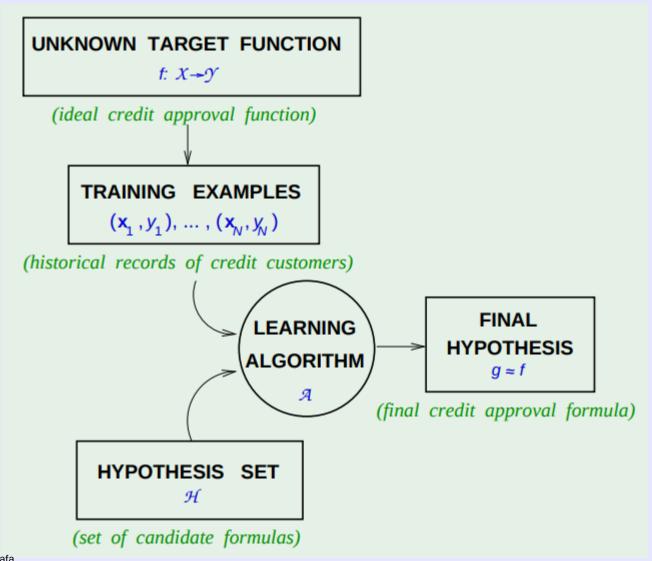
Example of a graph data layout.



 As it turns out, graphs can be represented as matrices.

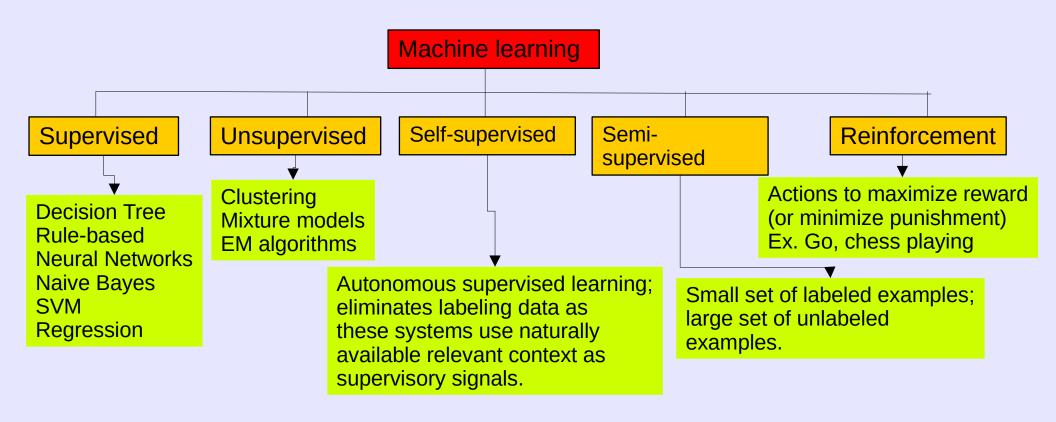
#### Formalism:

- Input:x, A matrix (n-dimension, n >= 1) of attributes
- Output:  $\overrightarrow{y}$ , the response vector
- Target function:  $f: \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{Y}$
- Data:  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), ..., (x_n, y_n)$
- Hypothesis:  $g: \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{Y}$
- Hope:  $g \approx f$



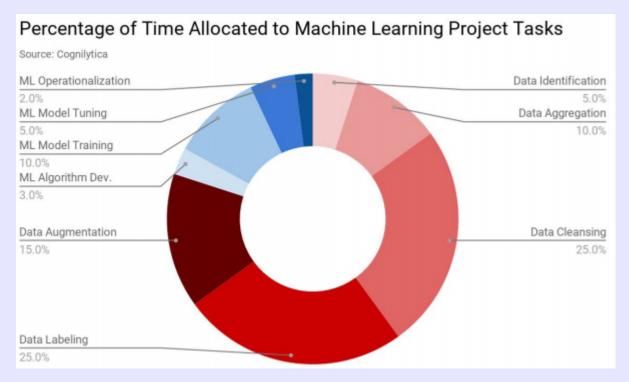
Slide source: Prof. Yaser S. Abu-Mostafa Learning from Data, 2012.

- Terminology: learner, classifier, model ... which is which?
  - *Learner* takes as input  $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n, y_i$  and produces a *classifier*.
  - A *classifier* takes as input x'<sub>1</sub>, x'<sub>2</sub>, ..., x'<sub>n</sub>, and produces y'.
  - Model is an artifact; a learner builds a model and a classifier uses that model to predict.

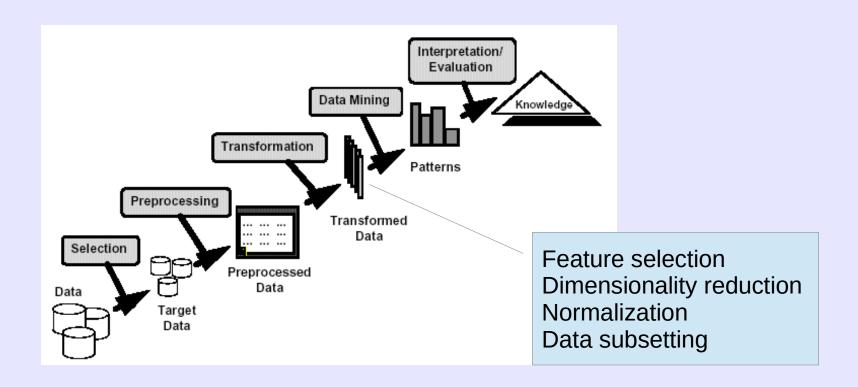


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The workflow.



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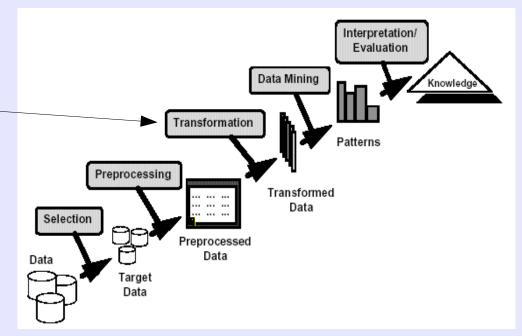
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  - Numeric: Can take "float" or "double" values.
  - Integer: Cannot take decimal or fraction values.
  - Factor: An enumeration data type that takes only certain values: {"blue", "green", "red"}; or {0, 1, 2}.
    - Values of a factor can be
      - *ordinal*, i.e., order of values matter. Example: {"small", "medium", "large"} is different than {"small", "large", "medium"}.
      - nominal, i.e., order of values does not matter. Example: {"blue", "green", "red"}.
    - Factors are also referred to as categorical variables.
  - Character: Single character or character strings.

## Data Types

- Certain algorithms have an affinity for certain data types:
  - Certain classification requires that numeric (or continuous) data be represented as categorical (factor) attributes.
  - Association algorithms prefer a binary attribute (a factor of 0 and 1).
- One of the important step during the transformation phase is to ensure that algorithms get the attribute in the form they can operate on it. (More on this in later lecture.)



#### Decision tree

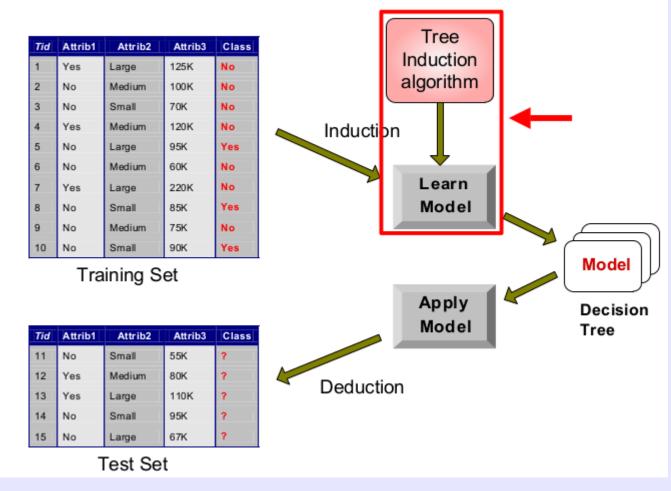
- Our first classification algorithm.
- Classification: The task of learning a target function, g, that maps each attribute set  $\mathcal{X}$  to one of the predefined class labels,  $\overrightarrow{y}$ , or

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f: x \to y where x \in \mathbb{R}^n, and y \in \mathbb{R}
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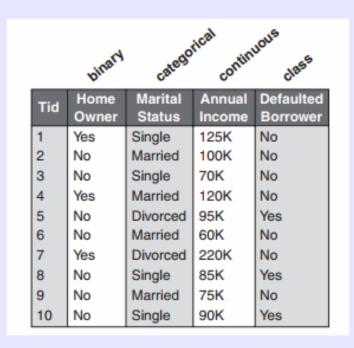
- Let's play a game.
  - Problem: A bank wants to determine who they should make loans to.
  - You are the loan officer.
  - What will **you** look for in potential loan applicants?

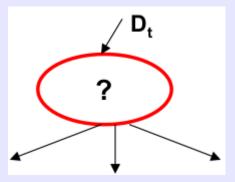
#### Decision tree

A bird's eye view.



- Let D<sub>t</sub> be the set of training records that reach a node t
- General Procedure:
  - If D<sub>t</sub> contains records that belong the same class y<sub>t</sub>, then t is a leaf node labeled as y<sub>t</sub>
  - If D<sub>t</sub> is an empty set, then t is a leaf node labeled by the default class, y<sub>d</sub>
  - If D<sub>t</sub> contains records that belong to more than one class, use an attribute test to split the data into smaller subsets. Recursively apply the procedure to each subset.





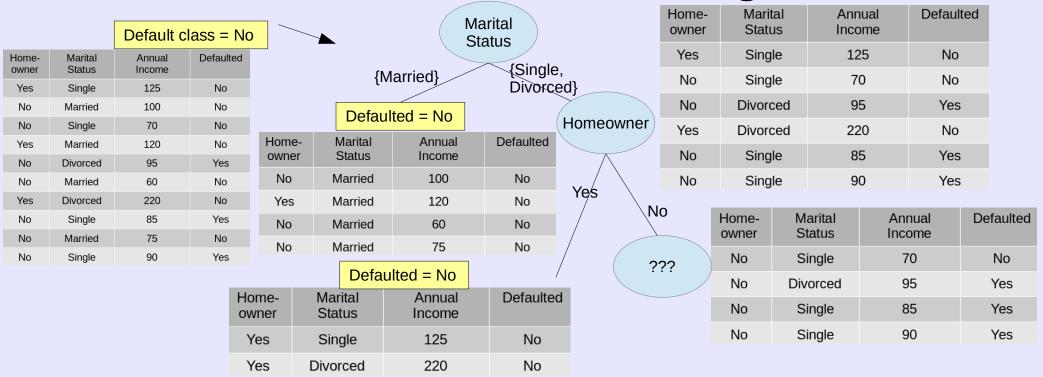
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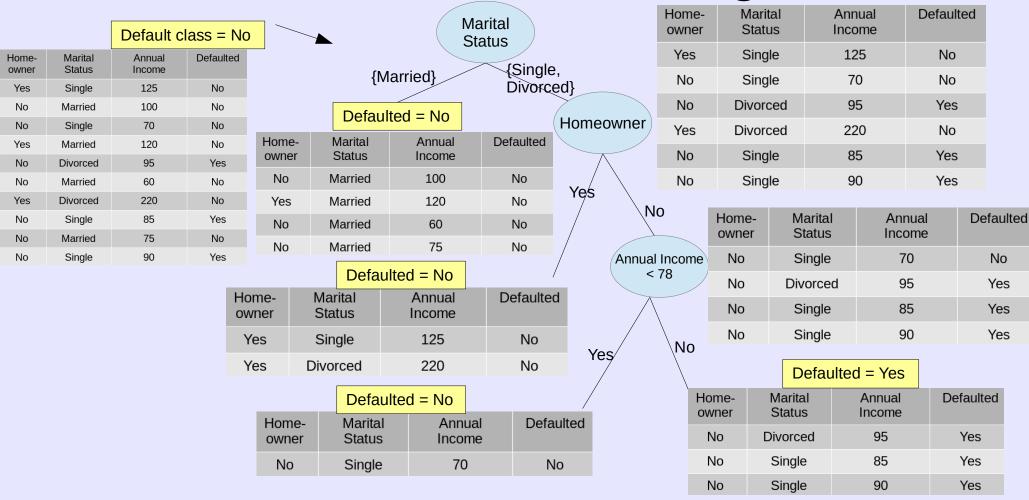
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Yes	Single	125	No
No	Married	100	No
No	Single	70	No
Yes	Married	120	No
No	Divorced	95	Yes
No	Married	60	No
Yes	Divorced	220	No
No	Single	85	Yes
No	Married	75	No
No	Single	90	Yes

#### Default class = No

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#### Decision tree: Code

See loan.r and loan.csv