Data Mining

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Today's Agenda

• Examples of Data Mining (continue from 01.intro.part1)

Multidimensional View of Data Mining

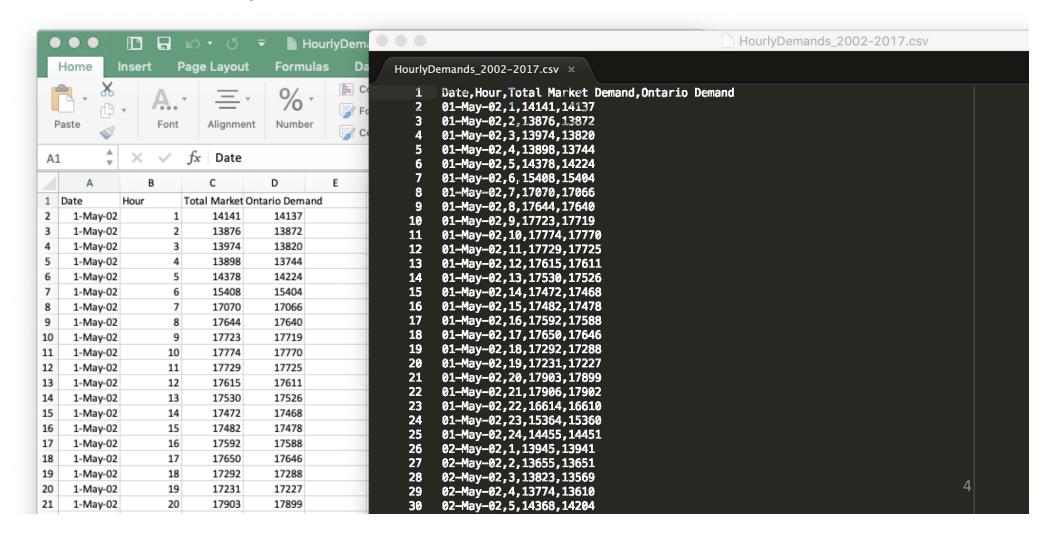
Tools for Data Mining

Data Mining vs. Privacy

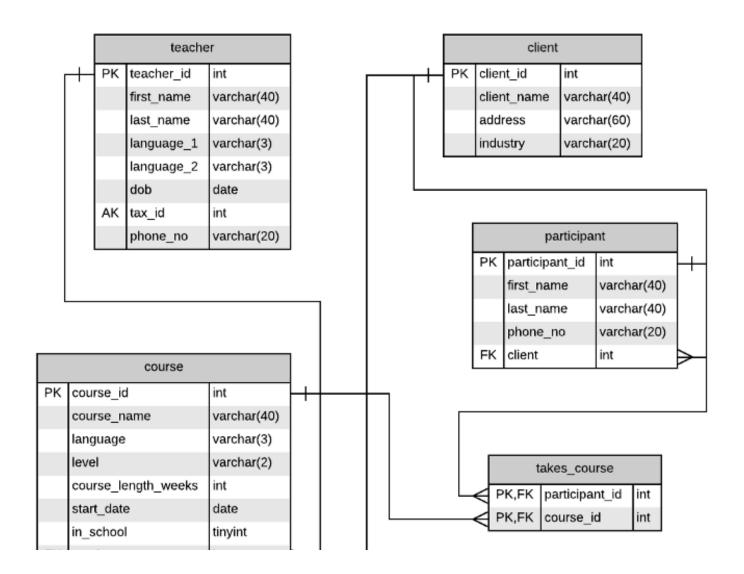
Multi-dimensional View of Data Mining

- What kinds of data can be mined?
- What kinds of patterns can be mined?
- What kinds of techniques are used?
- What kinds of applications are targeted?

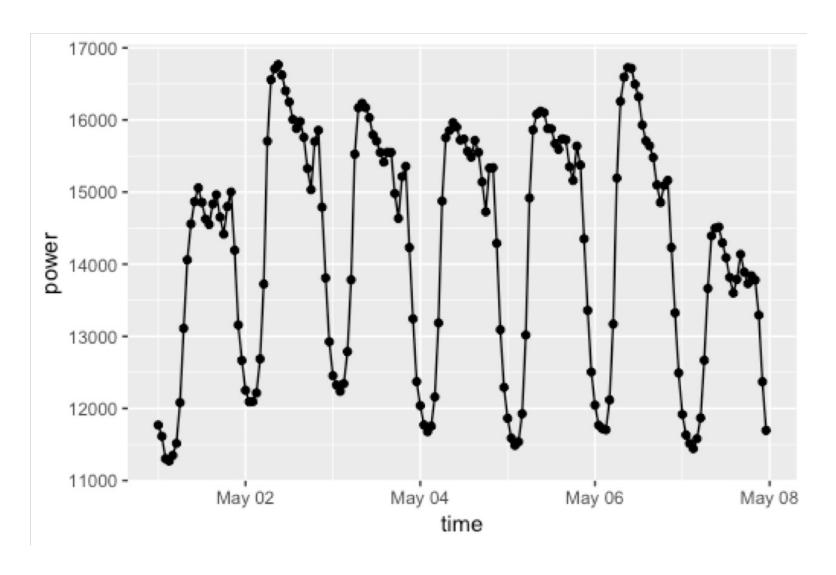
- Spreadsheets
- Flat file, vector data



Relational data - Databases



• Time Series Data



Text files, document collections

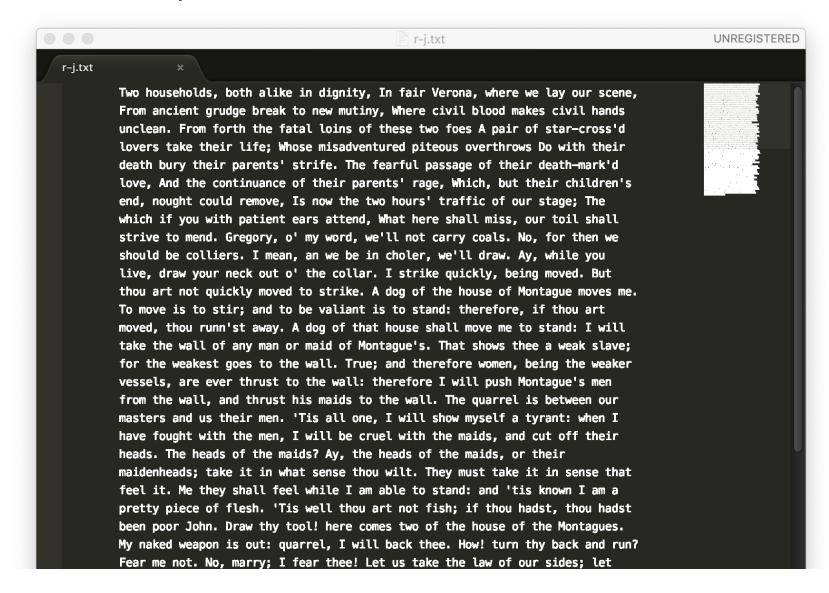
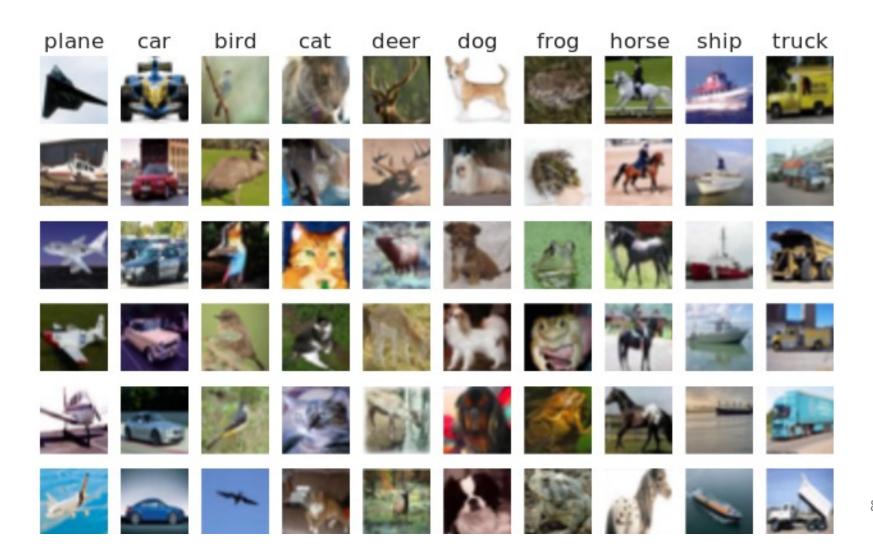
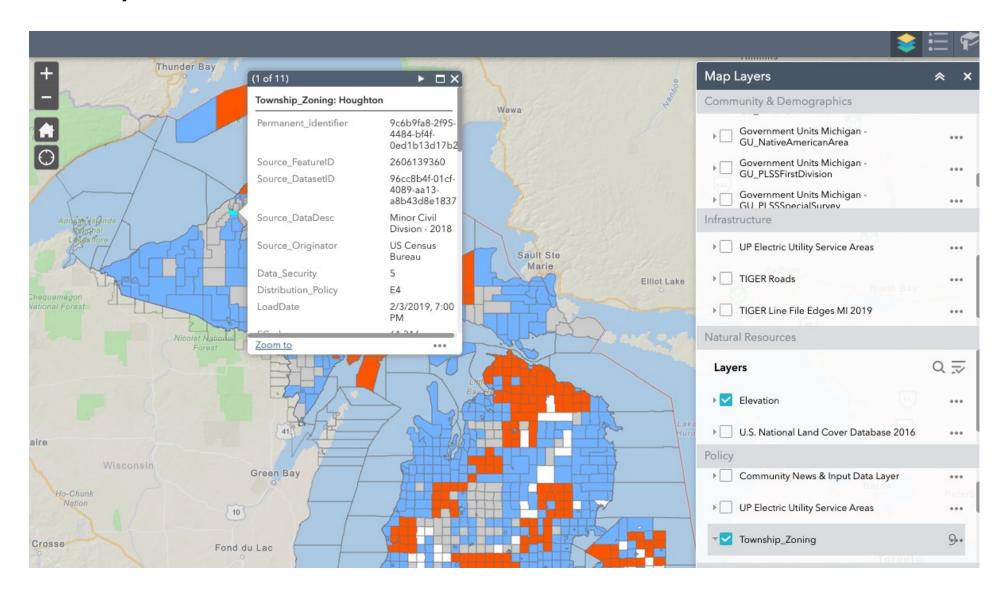


Image data



Spatial Data

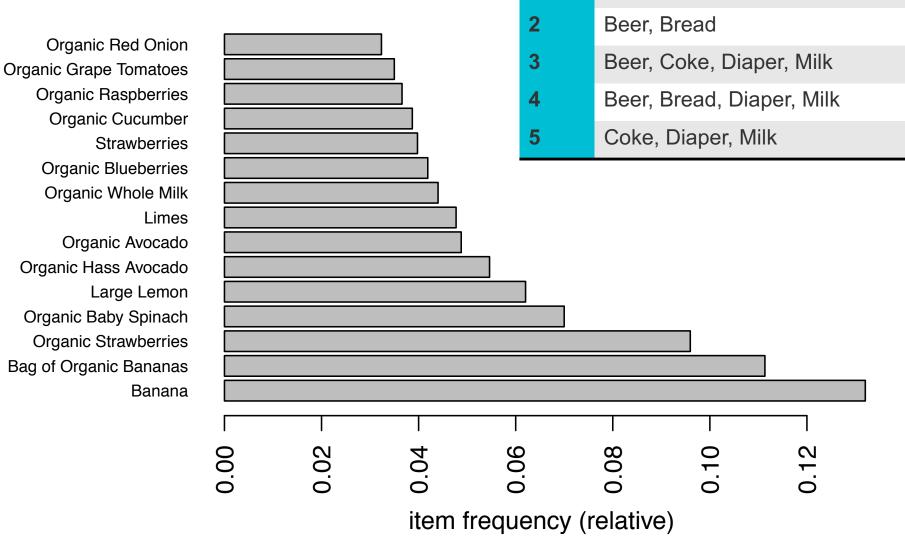


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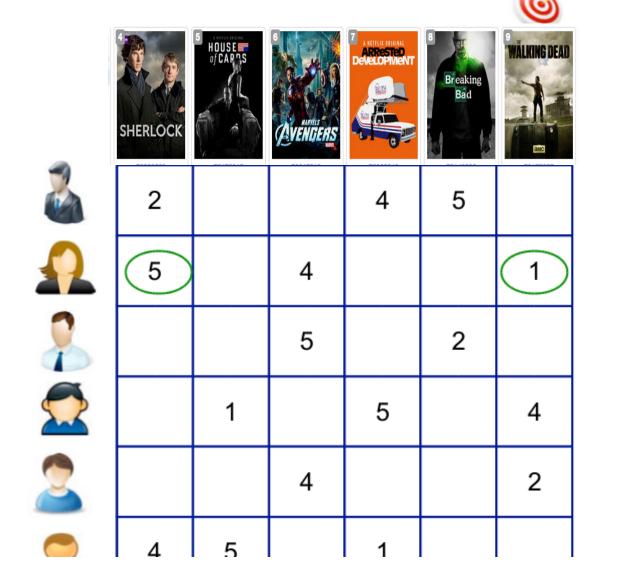
Items

Bread, Coke, Milk

Transaction Data



Ratings Data



What kinds of <u>data</u>?

- Flat File, Vector data
- Relational data
- Text files, document collections
- Time series data
- Spatial data
- Spatio-temporal data
- Transactional data

- Ratings data
- Network data
- Image data
- Custom data for particular application
- ..., and many more

What types of <u>patterns</u>?

- Prediction Methods
 - Use some variables to predict unknown or future values of other variables

- Descriptive Methods
 - Find human-interpretable patterns that describe the data

What type of <u>patterns</u>?

- Generalization / Characterization
- Classification
- Association and Correlation Analysis
- Cluster Analysis
- Recommender Systems
- Structure / Network Analysis
- Outlier Analysis
- Sequential Pattern Analysis

• ...

What kinds of techniques?

- Confluence of techniques and disciplines
 - Statistics
 - Machine Learning
 - Database technology
 - Algorithms
 - Pattern Recognition
 - Parallel Computing
 - Visualization

What kinds of <u>applications</u>?

- Web page analysis: from web page classification, clustering to PageRank & HITS algorithms
- Collaborative analysis & recommender systems
- Basket data analysis to targeted marketing
- Biological and medical data analysis: classification, cluster analysis (microarray data analysis), biological sequence analysis, biological network analysis
- Data mining and software engineering (e.g., IEEE Computer, Aug. 2009 issue)
- From major dedicated data mining systems/tools (e.g., SAS, MS SQL-Server Analysis Manager, Oracle Data Mining Tools) to invisible data mining

Example: Fraud Detection

- Which credit card transactions are fraudulent?
- Goal: Predict fraudulent cases in credit card transactions.
 - Data: credit card transactions, information on account-holder
 - Pattern: classification
 - Labeled transaction data: fair or fraud
 - Learn a model to prediction this label
 - Technique: machine learning

Example: Fraud Detection (2)

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 - Pattern: outlier analysis
 - Fraud events are rare (hopefully!)
 - Detect transaction as unusual from prior historical data
 - Technique: machine learning, statistics

Example: Clustering

- How should a set of images be placed into groups?
 - Data: image files
 - Pattern: cluster analysis
 - Group images by similarity
 - How to measure similarity?
 - Techniques: machine learning

In this class ...

 You will study algorithms that exploit and reveal patterns in data.

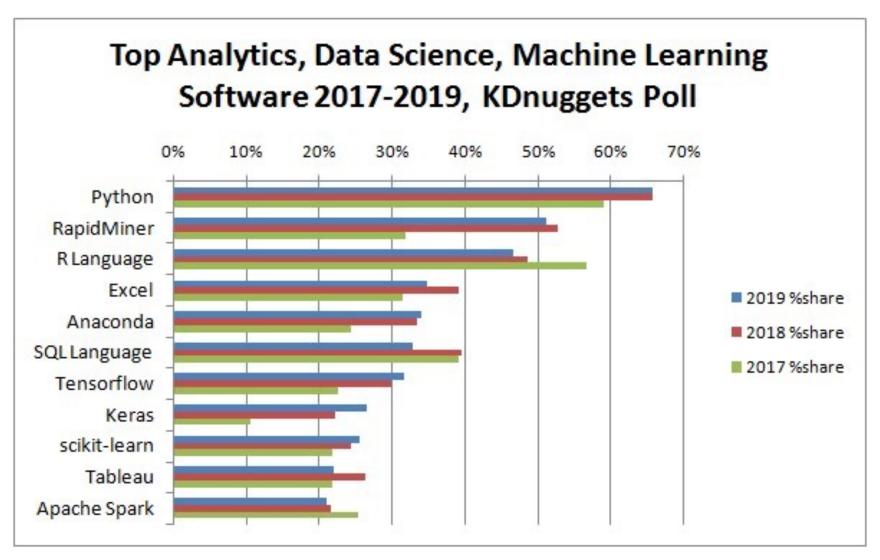
Goal:

- You will learn how to think about problems in data mining
- You will learn about a set of data analysis tools:
 - How to use them
 - What their assumptions are
 - The capabilities and limitations

Methods to Be Examined

- Supervised learning Classification
- Unsupervised learning Data Reduction
- Text Mining
- Unsupervised learning Clustering
- Association Mining
- Recommendation Systems
- Web Mining (if time permits)

Popular Tools for Data Mining



Types of Tools

Simple graphical user interface

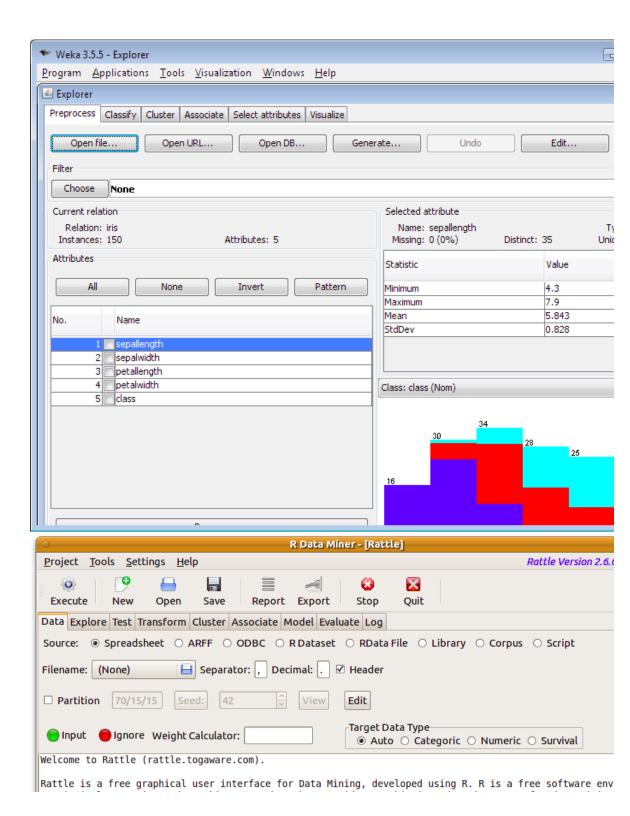
Process oriented

Programming oriented

Tools: Simple GUI

Weka: Waikato
 Environment for
 Knowledge Analysis
 (Java API)

 Rattle: GUI for Data Mining using R



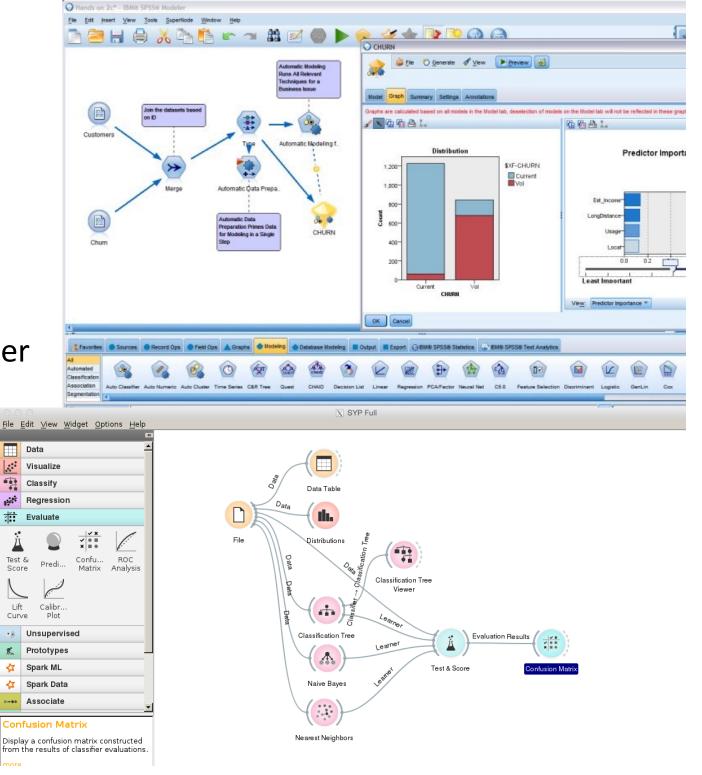
Tools: Process oriented

- SAS Enterprise Miner
- IBM SPSS Modeler

Test &

Lift

- RapidMiner
- Knime
- Orange



Tools: Programming oriented

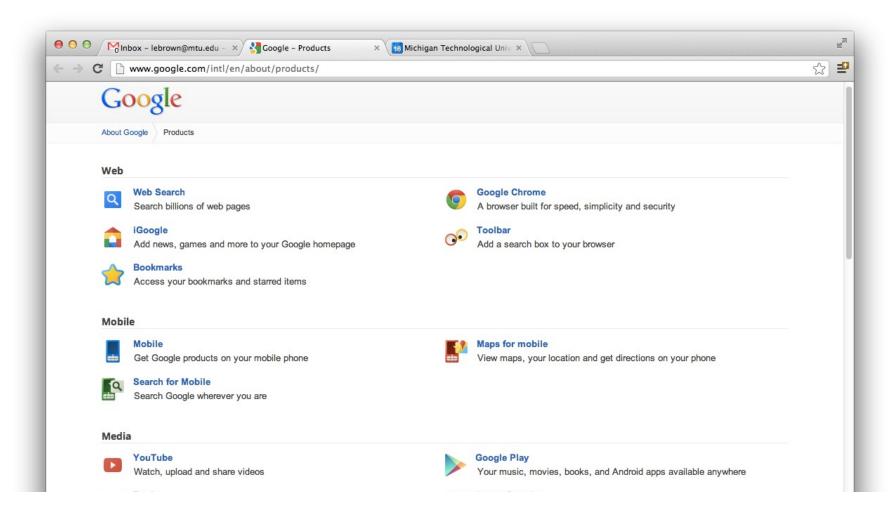
- R
 - RStudio IDE
 - Caret
 - Tidyverse
- Python
 - Jupyter notebooks
 - Numpy
 - Pandas
 - Scikit-learn





Data Mining vs. Privacy

Tension between data mining and personal privacy



Data Mining vs. Privacy

 How can we leverage sensitive personal data for research / commercial purposes?

- 3 cases
 - AOL search data set
 - Netflix prize
 - Barabasi mobile study

Case 1: AOL Search Data

- Aug. 4, 2006 AOL releases 20M search terms by anonymized users "for research purposes"
- Within hours, uproar on blogs
 - "The utter stupidity of this is staggering" TechCrunch
- Aug. 7, 2006 AOL removes data, issues apology
 - "this was a screw-up, and we are angry"
 - "an innocent enough attempt to reach out the the research community"
- Aug. 9, 2006 NYT front page story
 - Identifies user
- Aug. 21, 2006 CTO resigns

Case 1: AOL Search Data

- What's the big deal?
 - How and why people search is often personal and may contain information they do not want released to public
- What went wrong?
 - Not well thought out
 - Poor internal controls
 - Lack of understanding on anonymizing
- Fallout
 - CTO + at least two others fired
 - Data is still out there

Case 2: Netflix Prize

- Oct. 2006: Netflix released anonymized movie ratings from its customer database
 - 100M ratings, 500K customers (<10% of data)
 - Random integer for user ID
 - "some of the rating data for some customers in the training and qualifying sets have been deliberately perturbed in one or more of the following ways: deleting ratings; inserting alternative ratings and dates; and modifying rating dates"
- 2007, Paper claiming to de-anonymize Netflix data

Case 2: Netflix Prize

- Narayanan and Shmatikov
 - "The adversary with a small amount of background knowledge about an individual ... can identify with high probability that individual's record in the data and learn ... sensitive attributes"
 - Claim Netflix's data sanitization not relevant
 - Basic Idea:
 - With aux info on 8 movies, where 2 can be wrong, and dates are known within 14 days, 99% de-anonymization
 - Aux info can come from other web-sites (IMDB), personal contact, etc.

Case 2: Netflix Prize

- Much ado about nothing
 - Paper is technically correct, but dates are key
 - Without dates, you must know 8 movies, all outside the top 500 to get over 80% chance of de-anonymization
 - Aux info is not easy to come by for many people
 - No identities released
- Netflix did it right
 - Consulted with top machine learning experts
 - Gained new knowledge in machine learning and also privacy fields
- Fallout
 - Netflix was planning another challenge was canceled to due privacy concerns

Case 3: Barabasi Mobile Study

Gonzalez, Hidalgo, and Barabasi (2008)

- Article in Nature outlines study on human mobility patterns
 - 100000 individuals selected randomly from dataset of 6 million
 - Unidentified country (unclear if researchers knew)
 - Cell tower location at start of call
 - 206 individuals were "pinged" every two hours for a week

Findings

- "humans follow simple, reproducible patterns"
- Sample finding: Nearly three-quarters of those studied mainly stayed in a 20-mile circle for half a year.
- Results "could impact all phenomena driven by human mobility, from epidemic prevention to emergency response and urban planning"

Case 3: Barabasi Mobile Study

- Uproar over "secret tracking" of cell phone users
 - Blowback of negative feedback to Nature and scientists
 - Study would be "illegal in the US"
 - Approval from ONR review board and Northeastern review board. Barabasi did not check with an "ethics panel"

Response

- Hidalgo: "the data could be misused", but we were "not trying to do evil things. We are trying to make the world a little better."
- Northeastern and Nature backed the research
- Continues to be referenced as an example of dangerous research
- Risk and reward both very high

Data Mining and Ethics

- Privacy is not the only issue in data mining
 - Selling of Data
 - Transparency of Data Collection
 - Security
 - Discrimination and Bias

 We will explore these topics periodically throughout the semester

Data Mining Introduction Summary

Data Mining is interdisciplinary and overlaps significantly with many fields

- Statistics
- CS (machine learning, AI, data bases)
- Optimization

Data Mining requires a team effort with members who have expertise in several areas

- Data management
- Statistics
- Programming
- Communication
- + Application domain