Tools and Techniques for Data Science

Lecture 2

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What is today's agenda?

Today we are going to learn following things :

- Introduction to Data Mining
- Basics of
  - Classification
  - Clustering
  - Association Rule Mining
  - Sequential Pattern Mining

What is (not) Data Mining

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- Look up phone number in phone directory

What is Data Mining?

- Certain names are more prevalent in certain US locations (O'Brien, O'Rurke, O'Reilly… in Boston area)

What is (not) Data Mining

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- Look up customers in a customer database
- Look up items in the inventory.

What is Data Mining?

- Grouping customers into segments w.r.t to their buying patterns
- Finding out the items that are sold together to generate item set pairs.

Why do we need Data Mining?

- The Explosive Growth of Data: from terabytes to petabytes
  - Major sources of abundant data
    - Business: Web, e-commerce, transactions, stocks, …
    - Science: Remote sensing, bioinformatics, scientific simulation
    - Society and everyone: news, digital cameras, YouTube
- We are drowning in data, but starving for knowledge.
- Need to analyze raw data to extract knowledge

Why do we need Data Mining?

- “The data is the new computer”
  - Large amounts of data can be more powerful than complex algorithms and models
  - Google has solved many Natural Language Processing problems, simply by looking at the data
  - Example: misspellings, synonyms, speech to text
- Data is power!
  - Today, the collected data is one of the biggest assets of an online company
    - Query logs of Google
    - The friendship and updates of Facebook
    - Tweets and follows of Twitter
    - Amazon transactions
- We need a way to harness the collective intelligence

The data is also very complex

- Multiple types of data: tables, time series, images, graphs, etc
- Spatial and temporal aspects
- Interconnected data of different types:
  - From the mobile phone we can collect,
    - location of the user
    - friendship information
    - check-ins to venues
    - opinions through twitter
    - images though cameras
    - queries to search engines

Example: Transaction data

- Billions of real-life customers:
  - WALMART: 20M transactions per day
  - AT&T 300M calls per day
  - Credit card companies: billions of transactions per day.

- The point cards allow companies to collect information about specific users

Example: Document data

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  - Web as a document repository: estimated 50 billions of web pages
  - Wikipedia: 55 million articles (and counting)
  - Online news portals: steady stream of 1000’s of new articles every day
  - Twitter: ~500 million tweets every day

Example: Network data

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  - Web: 50 billion pages linked via hyperlinks
  - Facebook: 2.85 Billion users
  - Twitter: 353 million users
  - Blogs: 440 million blogs worldwide, presidential candidates run blogs

What can you do with the data?

- Suppose that you are the owner of a supermarket and you have collected billions of market basket data.
- What information would you extract from it and how would you use it?

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- **Catalog Creation**
- **Product Placement**
- **Recommendations**

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- Add Click Predictions
- Query Reformulation

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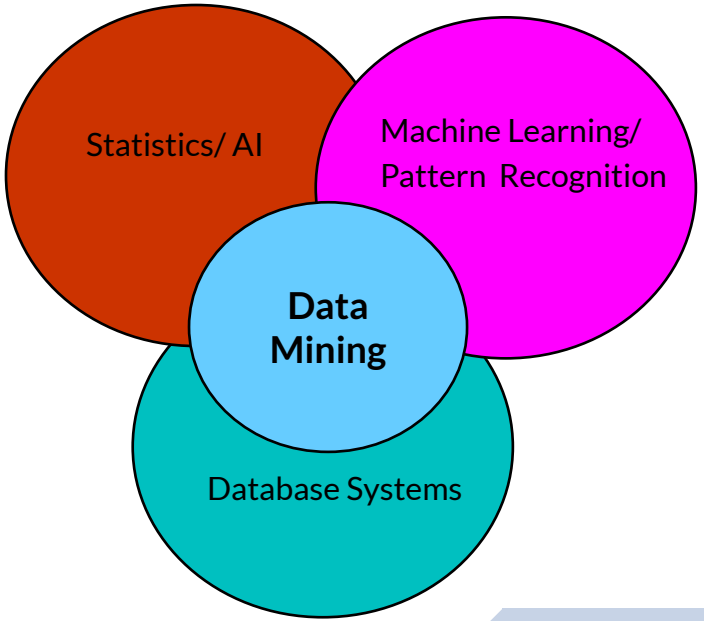
What can you do with the data?

- Suppose you are a stock broker and you observe the fluctuations of multiple stocks over time.
- What information would you like to get out of your data?

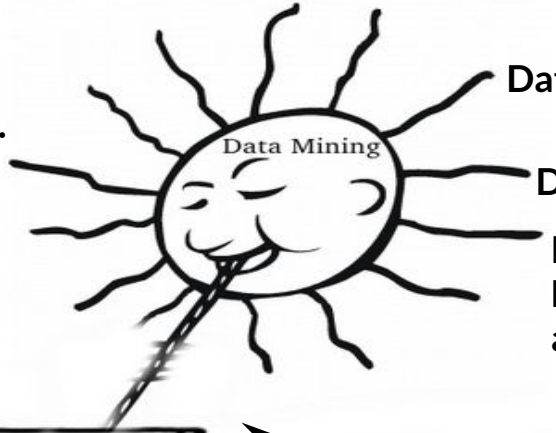
Origins of Data Mining

- Draws ideas from machine learning/AI, pattern recognition, statistics, and database systems.
- Traditional Techniques may be unsuitable due to
  - Enormity of data
  - High dimensionality of data
  - Heterogeneous, distributed nature of data



Origins of Data Mining

Solve real world business, Military, etc. problems

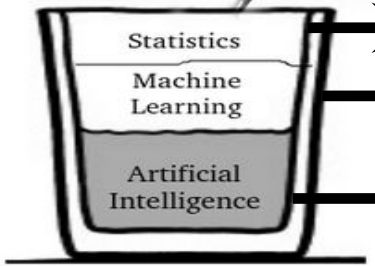


Data preprocessing

Data analysis

Practical application and Development of algorithms

Descriptive & Inferential



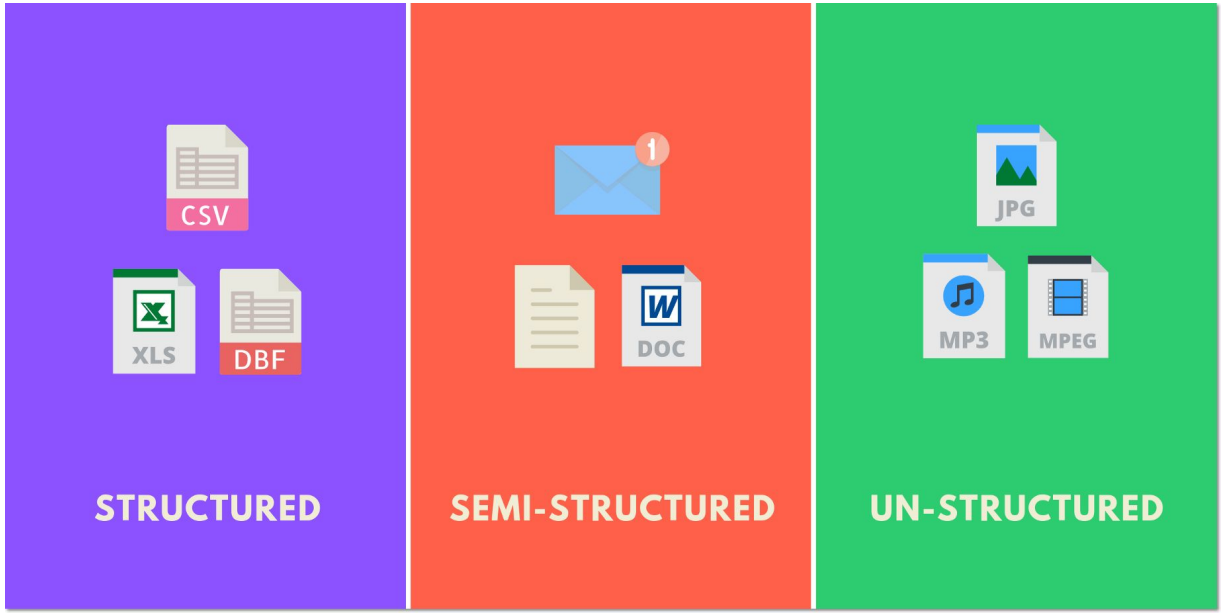
Main focus is data

Development of self learning algorithms

System or software to mimic Human

- NLP
- Computer Vision
- Robotics
- Reasoning

What kind of data can be mined?



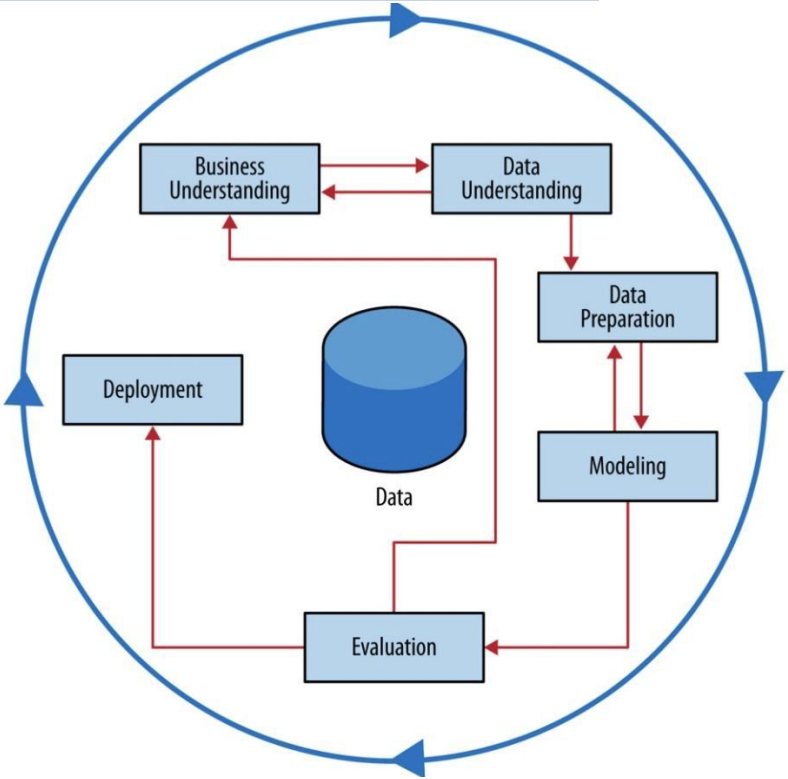
Data Mining Tasks

- Prediction Methods
    - Use some variables to predict unknown or future values of other variables.
- Description Methods
    - Find human-interpretable patterns that describe the data.

Data Mining Tasks

- Classification [Predictive]
- Clustering [Descriptive]
- Association Rule Discovery [Descriptive]
- Sequential Pattern Discovery [Descriptive]
- Regression [Predictive]
- Deviation Detection [Predictive]

Data Mining Process (CRISP-DM)



Classification : Definition

- Given a collection of records (*training set*)
  - Each record contains a set of *attributes*, one of the attributes is the *class*.

- Find a *model* for class attribute as a function of the values of other attributes.

- Goal: previously unseen records should be assigned a class as accurately as possible.
  - A *test set* is used to determine the accuracy of the model. Usually, the given data set is divided into training and test sets, with training set used to build the model and test set used to validate it.

Classification : Example

	categorical	categorical	continuous	class
Tid	Refund	Marital Status	Taxable Income	Cheat
1	Yes	Single	125K	No
2	No	Married	100K	No
3	No	Single	70K	No
4	Yes	Married	120K	No
5	No	Divorced	95K	Yes
6	No	Married	60K	No
7	Yes	Divorced	220K	No
8	No	Single	85K	Yes
9	No	Married	75K	No
10	No	Single	90K	Yes

Refund	Marital Status	Taxable Income	Cheat
No	Single	75K	?
Yes	Married	50K	?
No	Married	150K	?
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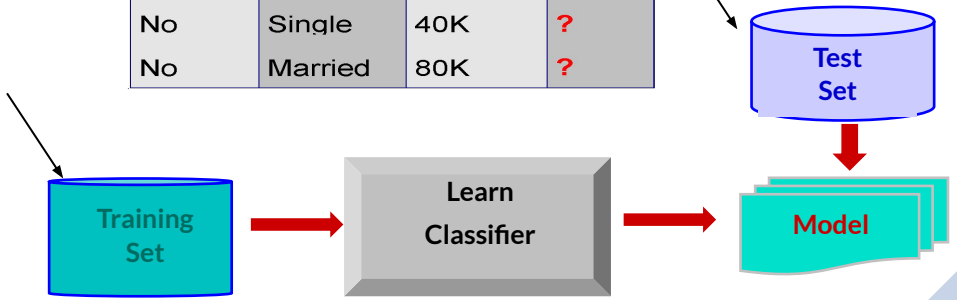
No	Single	40K	?
No	Married	80K	?



Classification : Application 1

- Direct Marketing
  - Goal: Reduce cost of mailing by *targeting* a set of consumers likely to buy a new cell-phone product.
  - Approach:
    - Use the data for a similar product introduced before.
    - We know which customers decided to buy and which decided otherwise. This *{buy, don't buy}* decision forms the *class attribute*.
    - Collect various demographic, lifestyle, and company-interaction related information about all such customers.
      - Type of business, where they stay, how much they earn, etc.
    - Use this information as input attributes to learn a classifier model.

Classification : Application 2

- Fraud Detection
  - Goal: Predict fraudulent cases in credit card transactions.
  - Approach:
    - Use credit card transactions and the information on its account-holder as attributes.
      - When does a customer buy, what does he buy, how often he pays on time, etc
    - Label past transactions as fraud or fair transactions. This forms the class attribute.
    - Learn a model for the class of the transactions.
    - Use this model to detect fraud by observing credit card transactions on an account.

Classification : Application 3

- Customer Attrition/Churn:
  - Goal: To predict whether a customer is likely to be lost to a competitor.
  - Approach:
    - Use detailed record of transactions with each of the past and present customers, to find attributes.
      - How often the customer calls, where he calls, what time-of-the day he calls most, his financial status, marital status, etc.
    - Label the customers as loyal or disloyal.
    - Find a model for loyalty.

Clustering : Definition

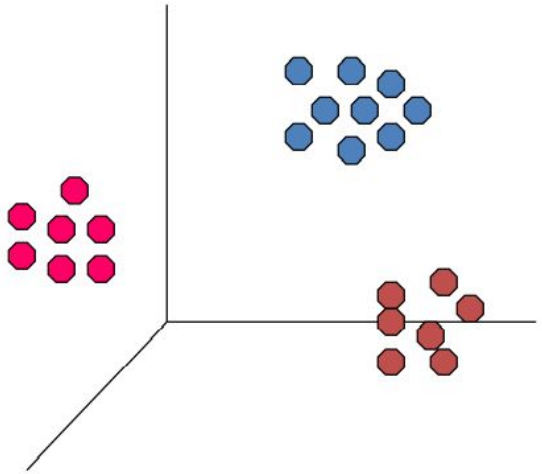
- Given a set of data points, each having a set of attributes, and a similarity measure among them, find clusters such that
    - Data points in one cluster are more similar to one another.
    - Data points in separate clusters are less similar to one another.
- Similarity Measures:
    - Euclidean Distance if attributes are continuous.
    - Other Problem-specific Measures.

Illustrating Clustering

- Euclidean Distance Based Clustering in 3-D space.

Intracluster distances are minimized

Intercluster distances are maximized



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Clustering : Application 1

- Market Segmentation:
  - Goal: subdivide a market into distinct subsets of customers where any subset may conceivably be selected as a market target to be reached with a distinct marketing mix.
  - Approach:
    - Collect different attributes of customers based on their geographical and lifestyle related information.
    - Find clusters of similar customers.
    - Measure the clustering quality by observing buying patterns of customers in same cluster vs. those from different clusters.

Clustering : Application 2

- Document Clustering:
  - Goal: To find groups of documents that are similar to each other based on the important terms appearing in them.
  - Approach: To identify frequently occurring terms in each document. Form a similarity measure based on the frequencies of different terms. Use it to cluster.
  - Gain: Information Retrieval can utilize the clusters to relate a new document or search term to clustered documents.

Illustrating Document Clustering

- Clustering Points: 3204 Articles of Los Angeles Times.

- Similarity Measure: How many words are common in these documents (after some word filtering).

Category	*Total Articles*	*Correctly Placed*
Financial	555	364
Foreign	341	260
National	273	36
Metro	943	746
Sports	738	573
Entertainment	354	278

Classification vs Clustering

Classification

- **Input:** We have a Training set containing data that have been previously categorized
- **Task:** Based on this training set, the algorithms finds the category that the new data points belong to
- Since a Training set exists, we describe this technique as **Supervised learning**

Clustering

- **Input:** We do not know the characteristics of similarity of data in advance
- **Task:** Using statistical concepts, we split the datasets into sub-datasets such that the Sub-datasets have “Similar” data
- Since Training set is not used, we describe this technique as **Unsupervised learning**

Supervised vs Unsupervised Learning

Supervised Learning

- Correct results/labels during the training are given.
- Resultant models are generalized ones, usually fast and accurate

Unsupervised Learning

- Correct results/labels are **NOT** given in input data
- Usually computationally expensive
- Grouping of input data w.r.t. its statistical properties

Association Rule Discovery : Definition

- Given a set of records each of which contain some number of items from a given collection;
  - Produce dependency rules which will predict occurrence of an item based on occurrences of other items.

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Rules Discovered:

{Milk} --> {Coke}

{Diaper, Milk} --> {Beer}

Association Rule Discovery : Application 1

- Marketing and Sales Promotion:
  - Let the rule discovered be

    {Coke, … } --> {Potato Chips}
  - Potato Chips as consequent => Can be used to determine what should be done to boost its sales.
  - Coke in the antecedent => Can be used to see which products would be affected if the store discontinues selling coke.
  - Coke in antecedent *and* Potato chips in consequent => Can be used to see what products should be sold with Coke to promote sale of Potato chips!

Association Rule Discovery : Application 2

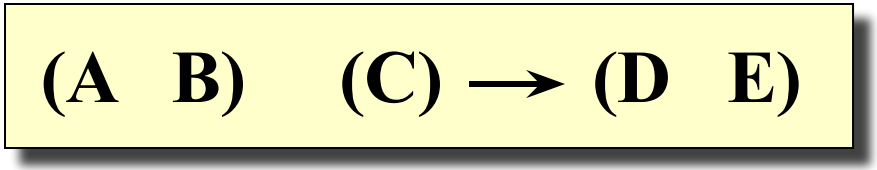
- Supermarket shelf management.
  - Goal: To identify items that are purchased together by many customers.
  - Approach: Process the point-of-sale data collected with barcode scanners to find dependencies among items.
  - A classic rule --
    - If a customer buys diaper and milk, then he is very likely to buy beer.
    - So, don’t be surprised if you find six-packs stacked next to diapers!

Association Rule Discovery : Application 3

- Inventory Management:
  - Goal: A consumer appliance repair company wants to anticipate the nature of repairs on its consumer products and keep the service vehicles equipped with right parts to reduce on number of visits to consumer households.
  - Approach: Process the data on tools and parts required in previous repairs at different consumer locations and discover the co-occurrence patterns.

Sequential Pattern Discovery : Definition

- Given is a set of *objects*, with each object associated with its own *timeline of events*, find rules that predict strong sequential dependencies among different events.



- Rules are formed by first discovering patterns. Event occurrences in the patterns are governed by timing constraints.

Sequential Pattern Discovery : Example

- In point-of-sale transaction sequences,
  - Computer Bookstore:
    - (Data Science) (Big Data) --> (Cloud Computing)
  - Athletic Apparel Store:
    - (Shoes) (Racket, Racketball) --> (Sports_Jacket)

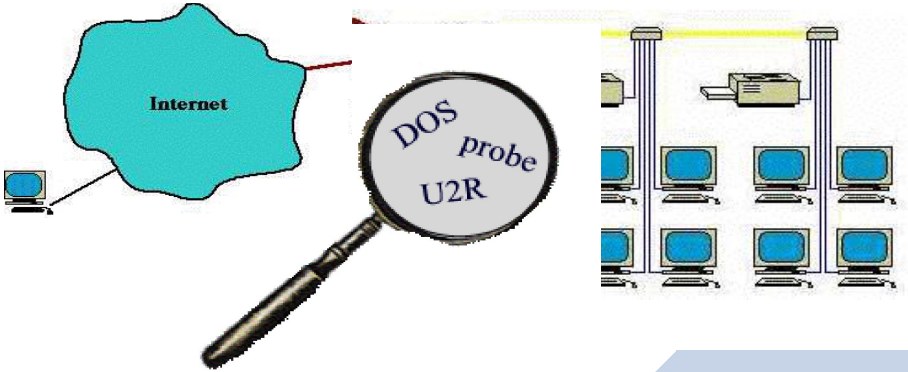
Regression

- Predict a value of a given continuous valued variable based on the values of other variables, assuming a linear or nonlinear model of dependency.

- Examples:
  - Predicting sales amounts of new product based on advertising expenditure.
  - Time series prediction of stock market indices.
  - Income prediction on basis of qualifications and other characteristics of individuals

Deviation / Anomaly Detection

- Detect significant deviations from normal behavior
- Applications:
  - Credit Card Fraud Detection
  - Network Intrusion Detection



Typical network traffic at University level may reach over 100 million connections per day

Challenges of Data Mining

- Scalability
- Dimensionality
- Complex and Heterogeneous Data
- Data Quality
- Data Ownership and Distribution
- Privacy Preservation
- Streaming Data

Open Source Data Mining Tools

- Python
- R
- Weka
- Knime
- Rapidminer
- Matlab
- Tableau

Contribution of Data Mining

- Less expenditures
  - Automated systems instead of manual ones
  - Selection of customers to mail new promotions of the company
- Effective decision making
  - Careful expansion of the business
  - Product selection
  - Pricing

Data Mining Real World Success Stories

- **Bank of America identified savings of $4.8 million in 2 years by using a credit risk management system, i.e., examination of only borderline applicants.**

- **BBC's data mining based program scheduler determines the timing to show programs as good as the best planner but at much less cost.**

Contribution of Data Mining

- Increased sales
  - Shelf management to increase the sale of certain items
  - What types of products can be sold together?
  - How does one retain profitable customers?

Data Mining Real World Success Stories

- **Bell Atlantic developed telephone technician dispatch system. They must decide what type of technician to dispatch to resolve the reported complain.**

- **Bell Atlantic save more than 10 million dollars per year by using data mining rule based system because they make fewer erroneous decisions.**

Data Mining Real World Success Stories

- **Safeway (UK)'s data mining system found that the top - spending 25% customers often purchase a particular cheese product ranked below 200 in sales.**

- **Normally, without the data - mining results, the product would have been discontinued and would disappoint the best customers.**

- **Safeway continues to order this cheese, although it is ranked low in sales.**

“Questions ?