

## **Overview (Cont.)**

- Predictive models are widely used today
  - E.g. use customer profile features (e.g. income, age, gender, education, employment) and past history of a customer to predict likelihood of default on loan
    - and use prediction to make loan decision
  - E.g. use past history of sales (by season) to predict future sales
    - And use it to decide what/how much to produce/stock
    - And to target customers
- Other examples of business decisions:
  - What items to stock?
  - What insurance premium to change?
  - To whom to send advertisements?