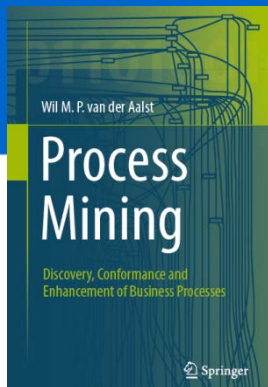


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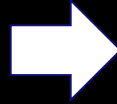
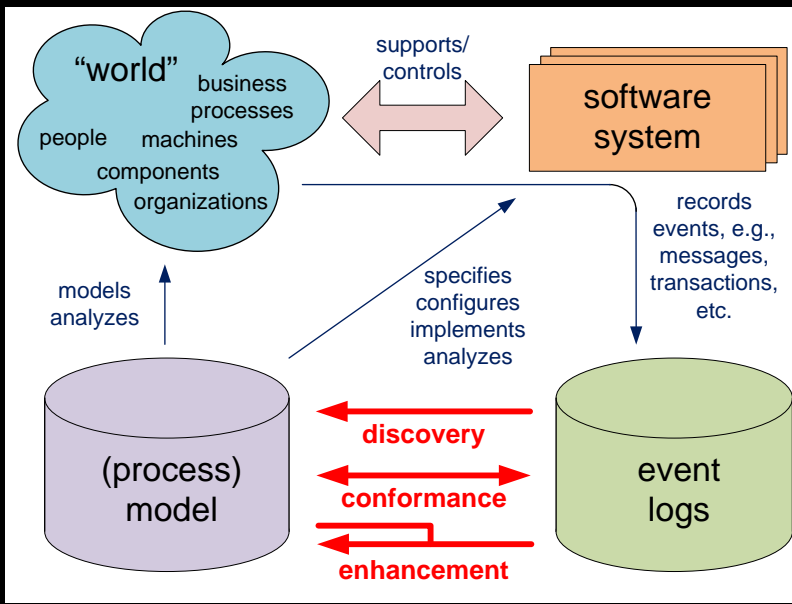
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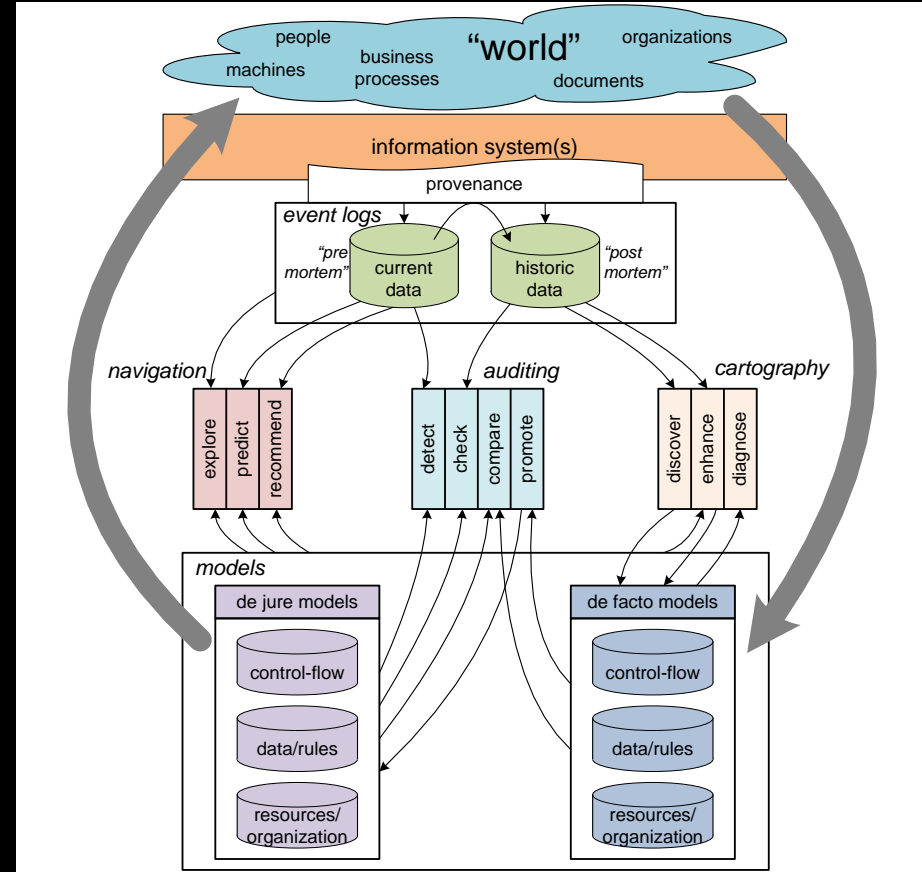
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refined process mining framework





process discovery

(alpha miner, heuristic miner,
region-based miners, etc.)

offline

conformance checking

(token-based, footprints, alignments, etc.)

organizational mining

bottleneck mining

decision point mining

operational support

data quality

concept drift analysis

prediction

queue mining

recommendation

reference model

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declarative mining

mining

artifact-centric

mining of event streams

process configuration

mining

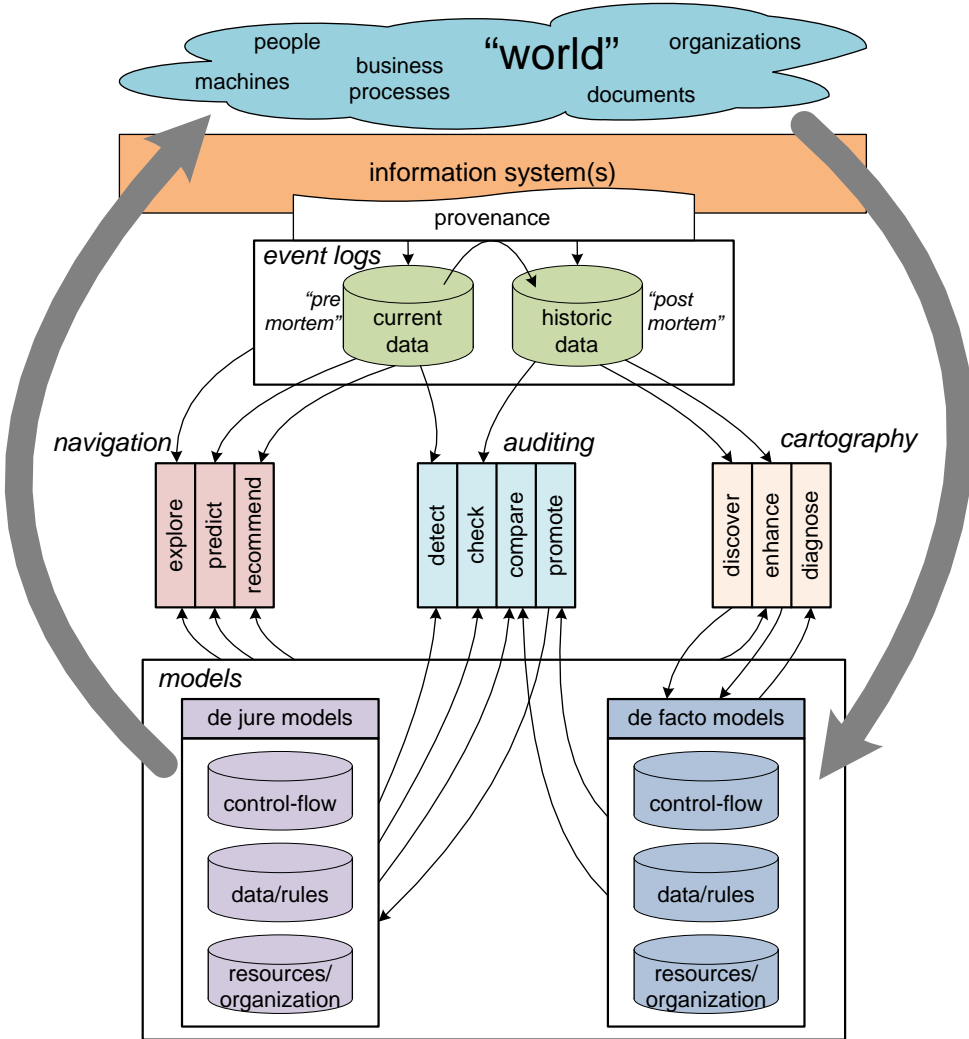
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model repair

mining on partially ordered event data

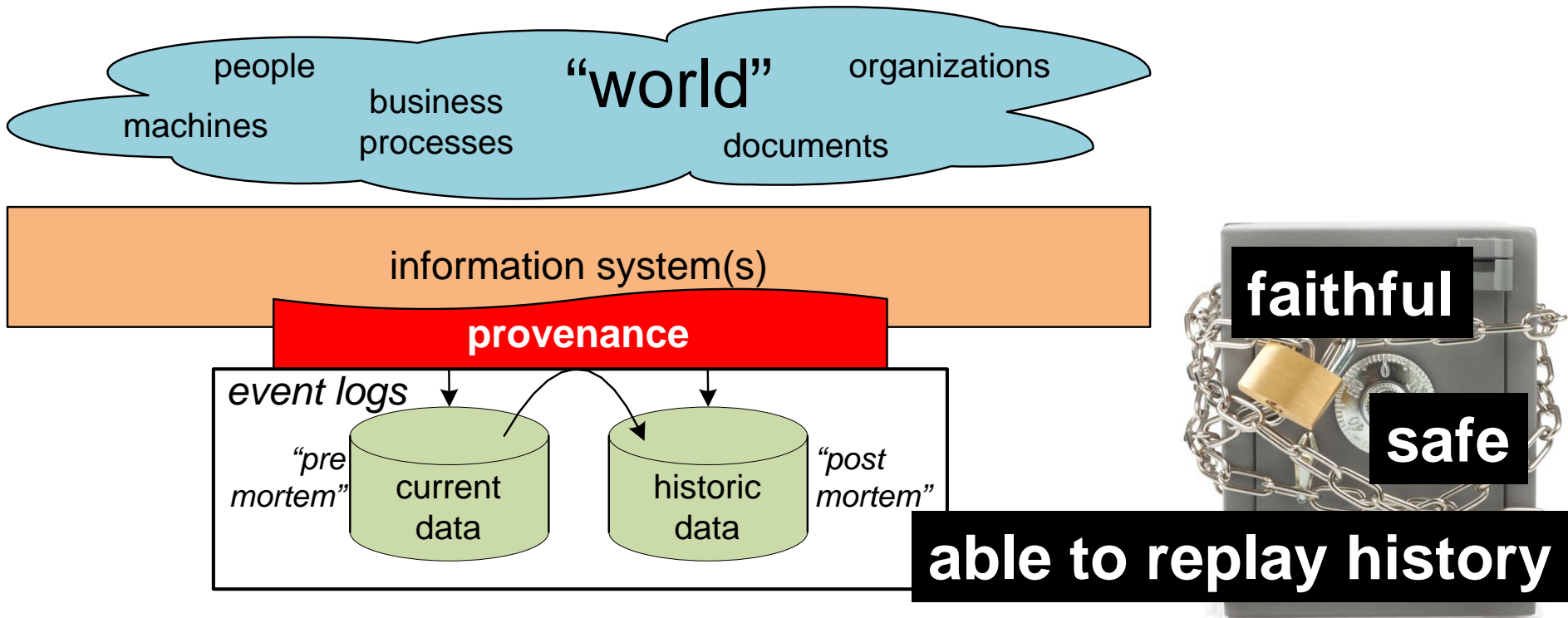
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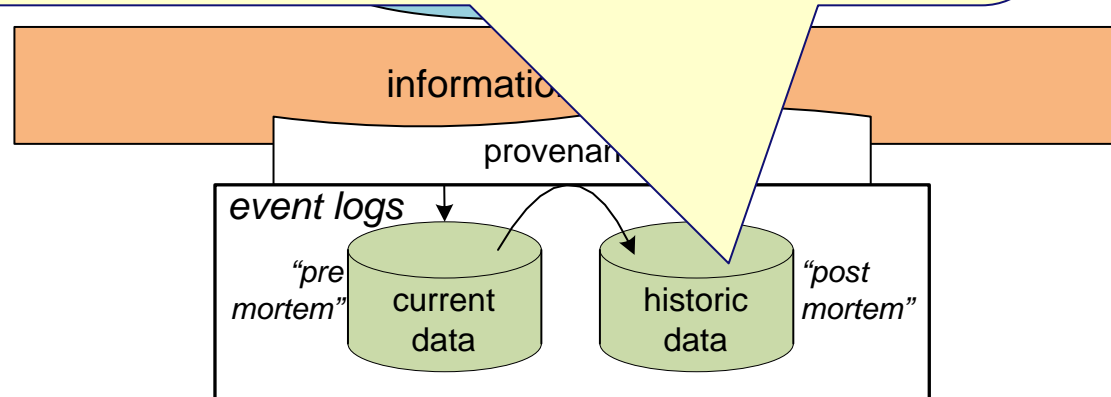
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(Business) process provenance



Pre mortem and post mortem event data

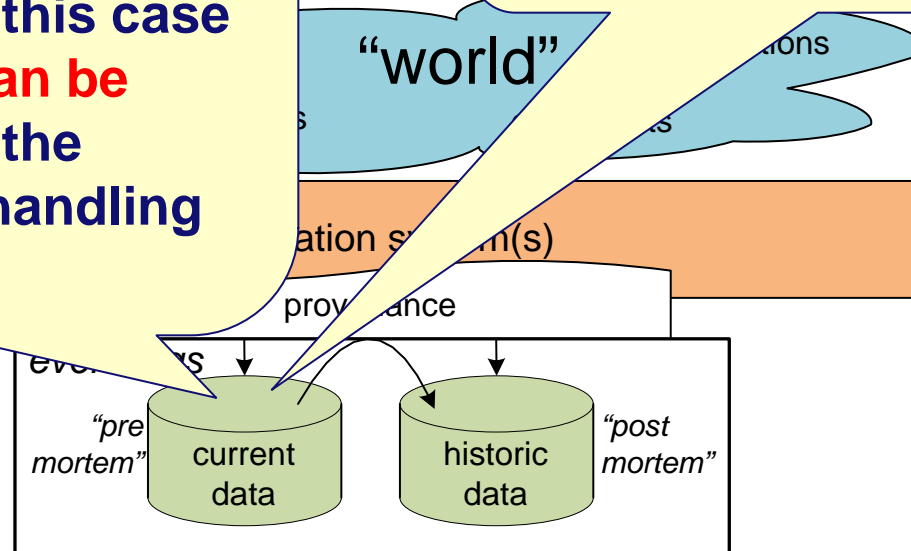
“Post mortem” event data refer to information about cases that have completed, i.e., these data can be used for process improvement and auditing, but **not for influencing** the cases they refer to.



Pre mortem and post mortem event data

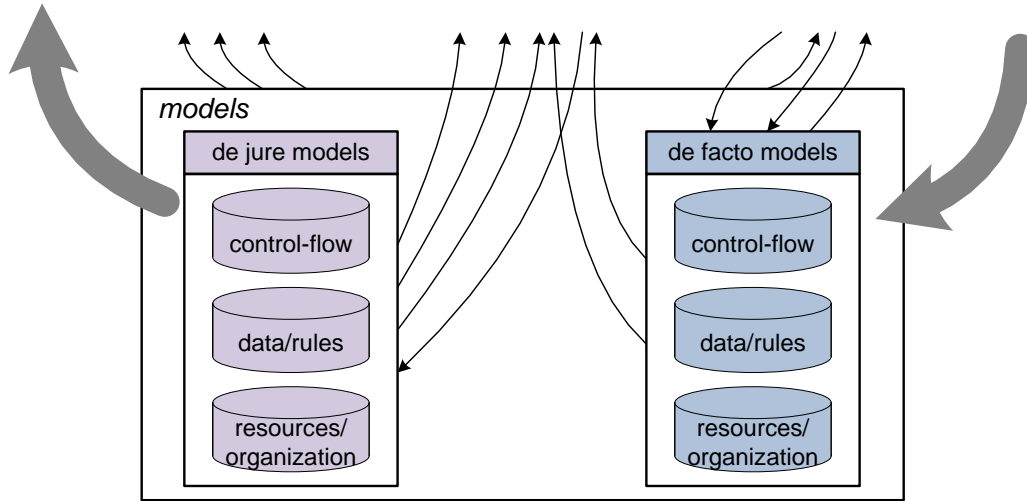
If a case is still running, i.e., the case is still “alive” (**pre mortem**), then it may be possible that information in the event log about this case (i.e., current data) **can be exploited** to ensure the correct or efficient handling of this case.

“Pre mortem” event data refer to cases that have not yet completed.



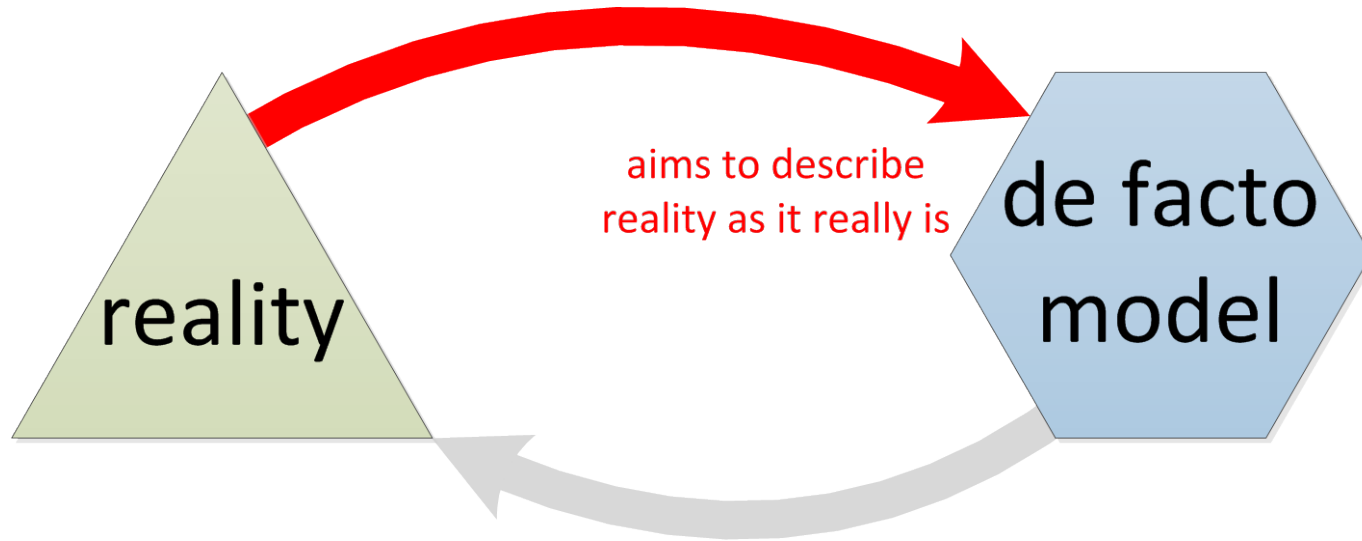
| | student-related event data | sales-related event data | patient-related event data |
|--------------------|---|--|--|
| post mortem | Understanding where and why students drop out or deviate. Should the curriculum be redesigned? What are the bottlenecks? | Understanding where and why customers are lost. Where are the bottlenecks in the sales process? How to redesign the sales process? | Are patients treated in time? Why do different doctors operate in different ways? How to save costs? How to improve service levels? |
| pre mortem | What advice can we give a particular student that is likely do drop out? How to signal the lecturer that the exam is likely to be a "massacre" due to inactivity of students? | When to trigger a customer with a partially completed order? When to reroute an order to an account manager? | Predicting the most likely time until surgery. Which doctor should be selected to treat the patient? Should the patient be moved to another hospital (for logistic reasons). |

Different types of models



- Models may cover one or more **perspectives**
 - control-flow
 - data/rules
 - resources/org.
 - time
 - costs
 - ...
- “**de jure**” models and “**de facto**” models

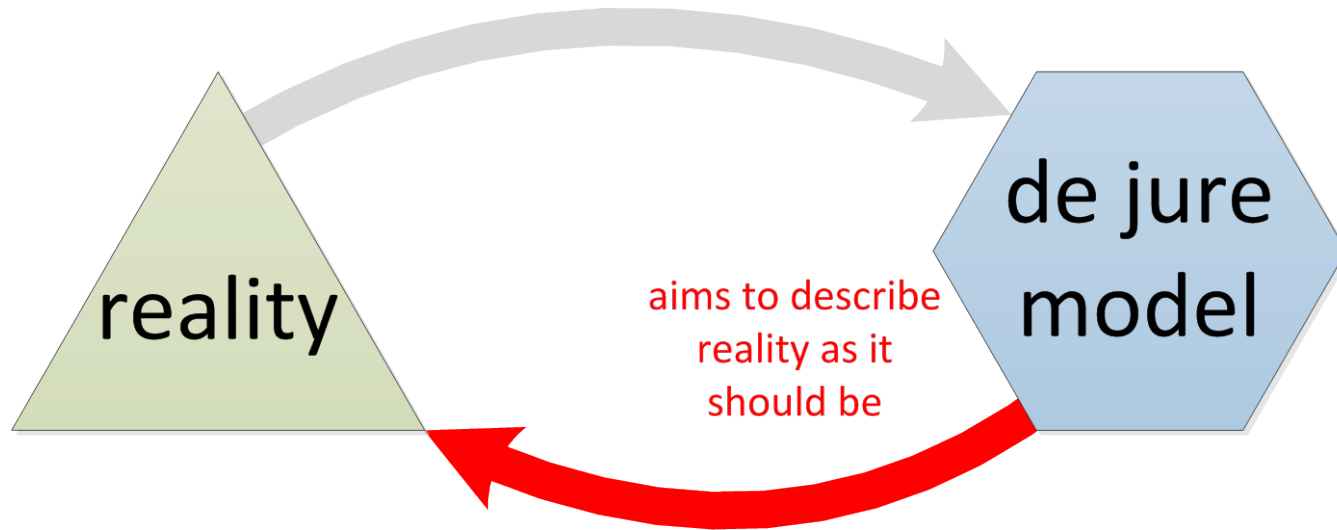
A **de facto** model is **descriptive**



- Its purpose is to describe the "as is" process, and not to steer or control reality. De facto models aim to capture reality.
- Insights may be used for reengineering, operational support, etc.

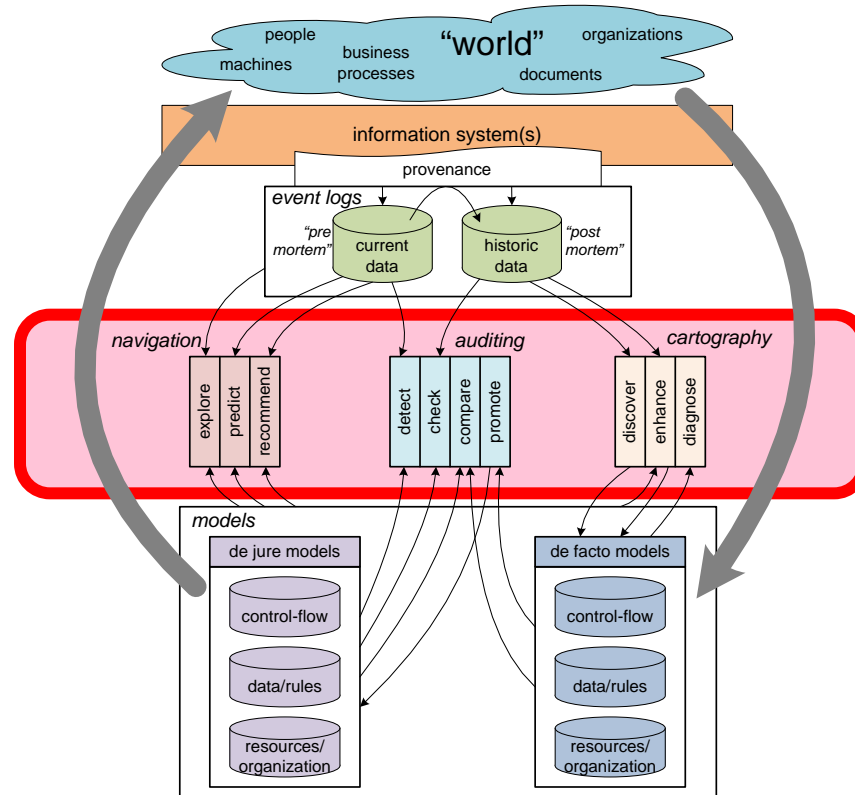
A **de jure** model is **normative**

It specifies how things should be done or handled



- For example, a process model used to configure a BPM system is normative and forces people to work in a particular way.
- In other situations, normative models may be ignored by workers ("wallpaper models").

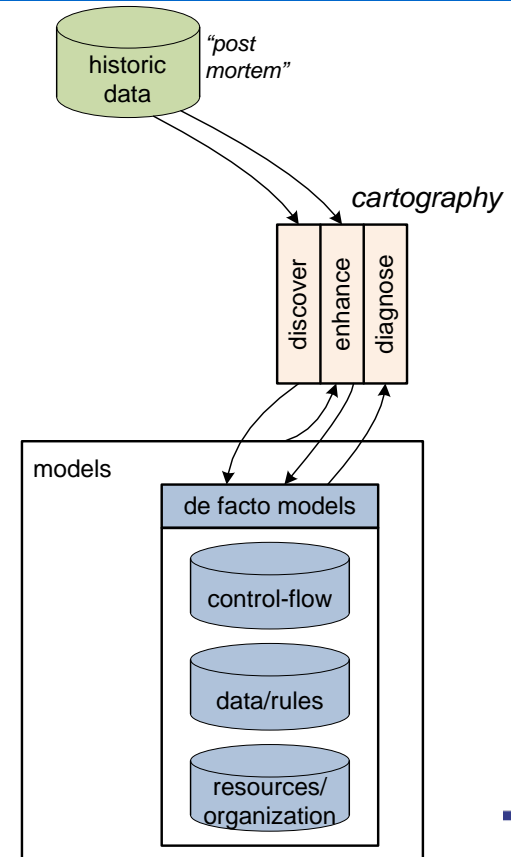
Ten process mining activities



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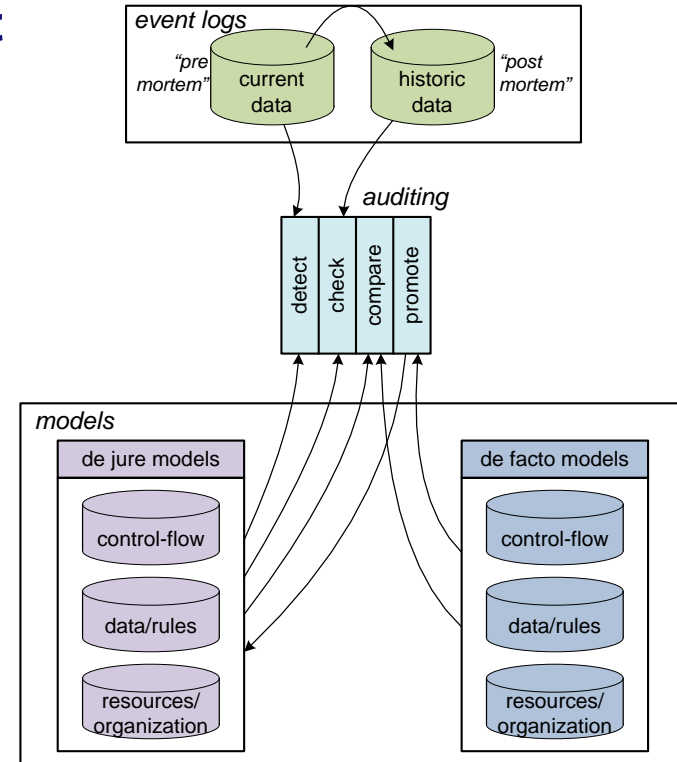
Cartography: Process models as maps

- **Discover.** This activity is concerned with the extraction of (process) models.
- **Enhance.** When existing process models (either discovered or hand-made) can be related to events logs, it is possible to enhance (**extend** and **repair**) these models.
- **Diagnose.** This activity does not directly use event logs and focuses on classical model-based analysis.



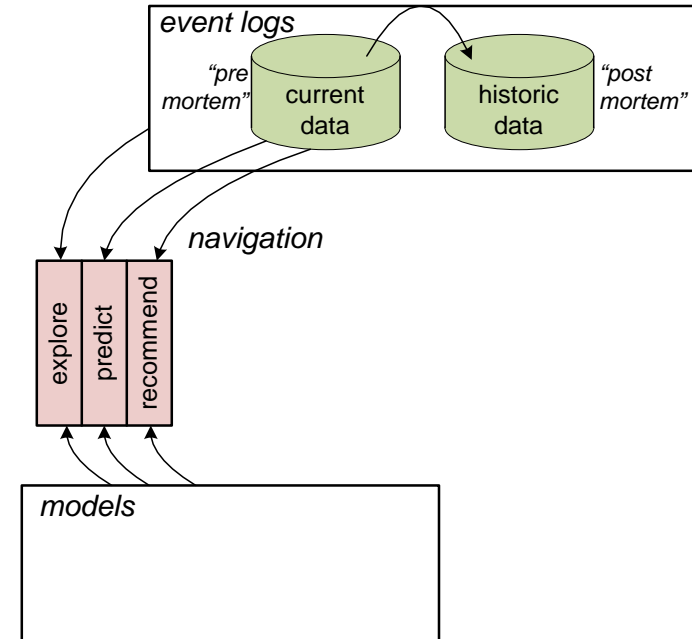
Auditing: Confronting model and reality

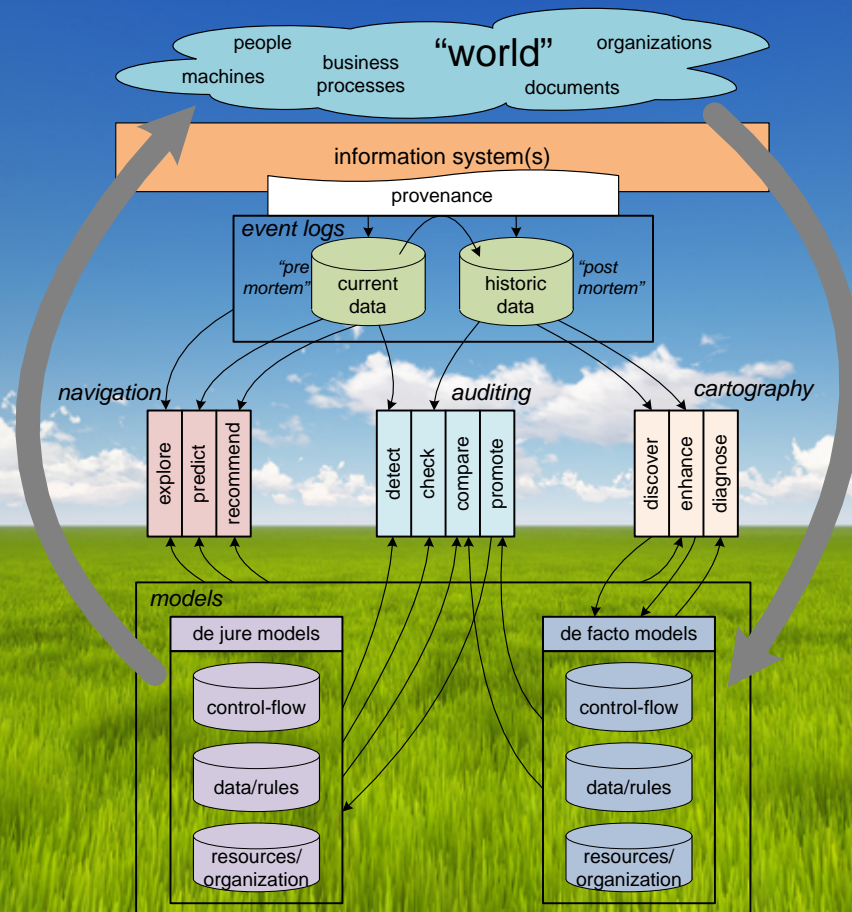
- **Detect.** Compares de jure models with current “pre mortem” data. The moment a predefined rule is violated, an alert is generated (**online**).
- **Check.** The goal of this activity is to pinpoint deviations and quantify the level of compliance (**offline**).
- **Compare.** De facto models can be compared with de jure models to see in what way reality deviates from what was planned or expected.
- **Promote.** Promote parts of the de facto model to a new de jure model.



Navigation: Supporting and guiding process execution

- **Explore.** The combination of event data and models can be used to explore business processes at run-time.
- **Predict.** By combining information about running cases with models, it is possible to make predictions about the future, e.g., the remaining flow time and the probability of success.
- **Recommend.** The information used for predicting the future can also be used to recommend suitable actions (e.g. to minimize costs or time).





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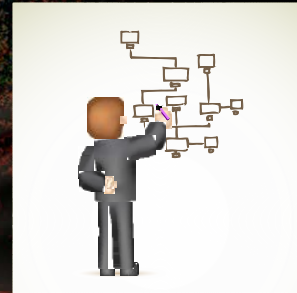
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