Data Mining:

Concepts and Techniques

- Chapter 2 -

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Chapter 2: Getting to Know Your Data

Data Objects and Attribute Types



- Basic Statistical Descriptions of Data
- Data Visualization
- Measuring Data Similarity and Dissimilarity
- Summary

Types of Data Sets

Record

Relational records

 Data matrix, e.g., numerical matrix, crosstabs

 Document data: text documents: termfrequency vector

Transaction data

Graph and network

World Wide Web

Social or information networks

Molecular Structures

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Video data: sequence of images

Temporal data: time-series

Sequential Data: transaction sequences

Genetic sequence data

Spatial, image and multimedia:

Spatial data: maps

Image data:

Video data:

1-	team	coach	pla y	ball	score	game	n Vi.	lost	timeout	season	
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	

TID	Items
1	Bread, Coke, Milk
2	Beer, Bread
3	Beer, Coke, Diaper, Milk
4	Beer, Bread, Diaper, Milk
5	Coke, Diaper, Milk

Important Characteristics of Structured Data

- Dimensionality
 - Curse of dimensionality
- Sparsity
 - Only presence counts
- Resolution
 - Patterns depend on the scale
- Distribution
 - Centrality and dispersion

Data Objects

- Data sets are made up of data objects.
- A data object represents an entity.
- Examples:
 - sales database: customers, store items, sales
 - medical database: patients, treatments
 - university database: students, professors, courses
- Also called samples, examples, instances, data points, objects, tuples.
- Data objects are described by attributes.
- Database rows -> data objects; columns ->attributes.

Attributes

- Attribute (or dimensions, features, variables): a data field, representing a characteristic or feature of a data object.
 - E.g., customer_ID, name, address
- Types:
 - Nominal
 - Binary
 - Numeric: quantitative
 - Interval-scaled
 - Ratio-scaled

Attribute Types

- Nominal: categories, states, or "names of things"
 - Hair_color = {auburn, black, blond, brown, grey, red, white}
 - marital status, occupation, ID numbers, zip codes

Binary

- Nominal attribute with only 2 states (0 and 1)
- Symmetric binary: both outcomes equally important
 - e.g., gender
- Asymmetric binary: outcomes not equally important.
 - e.g., medical test (positive vs. negative)
 - Convention: assign 1 to most important outcome (e.g., HIV positive)

Ordinal

- Values have a meaningful order (ranking) but magnitude between successive values is not known.
- Size = {small, medium, large}, grades, army rankings

Numeric Attribute Types

Quantity (integer or real-valued)

Interval

- Measured on a scale of equal-sized units
- Values have order
 - E.g., temperature in C°or F°, calendar dates
- No true zero-point

Ratio

- Inherent zero-point
- We can speak of values as being an order of magnitude larger than the unit of measurement (10 K° is twice as high as 5 K°).
 - e.g., temperature in Kelvin, length, counts, monetary quantities

Discrete vs. Continuous Attributes

Discrete Attribute

- Has only a finite or countably infinite set of values
 - E.g., zip codes, profession, or the set of words in a collection of documents
- Sometimes, represented as integer variables
- Note: Binary attributes are a special case of discrete attributes

Continuous Attribute

- Has real numbers as attribute values
 - E.g., temperature, height, or weight
- Practically, real values can only be measured and represented using a finite number of digits
- Continuous attributes are typically represented as floating-point variables

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Basic Statistical Descriptions of Data

Motivation

- To better understand the data: central tendency, variation and spread
- Data dispersion characteristics
 - median, max, min, quantiles, outliers, variance, etc.
- Numerical dimensions correspond to sorted intervals
 - Data dispersion: analyzed with multiple granularities of precision
 - Boxplot or quantile analysis on sorted intervals
- Dispersion analysis on computed measures
 - Folding measures into numerical dimensions
 - Boxplot or quantile analysis on the transformed cube

Measuring the Central Tendency

- Mean (algebraic measure) (sample vs. population): $\overline{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$ $\mu = \frac{\sum x}{N}$ Note: n is sample size and N is population size.
 - Weighted arithmetic mean:
 - Trimmed mean: chopping extreme values
- $\overline{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i x_i}{\frac{n}{n}}$

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16-20

21 - 50

51 - 80

81 - 110

Median:

- Middle value if odd number of values, or average of the middle two values otherwise
- the middle two values otherwise $\overline{1-5}$ 200Estimated by interpolation (for *grouped data*): 6-15 450
- Estimated by interpolation (for *grouped data*):

$$median = L_1 + (\frac{n/2 - (\sum freq)l}{freq_{median}}) width$$

- Mode from the state of the s
 - Value that occurs most frequently in the data
 - Unimodal, bimodal, trimodal
 - Empirical formula: $mean-mode = 3 \times (mean-median)$

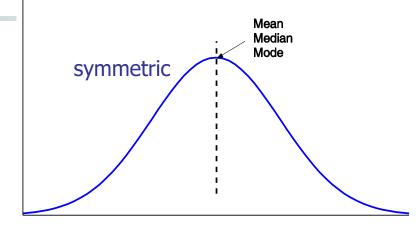
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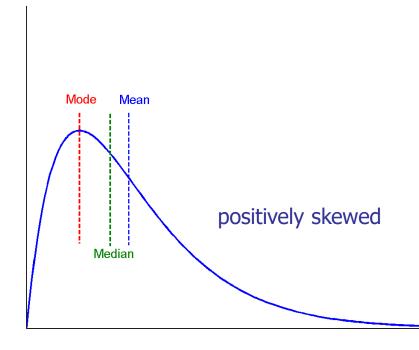
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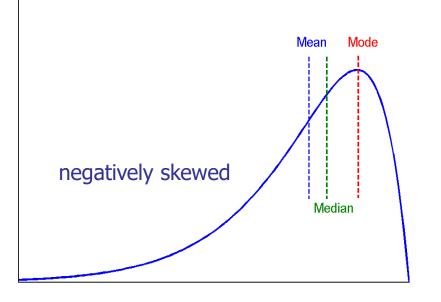
- **30**, 36, 47, 50, 52, 52, 56, 60, 63, 70, 70, 110.
- Find mean, median and mode of above data theoretically and verify it using coding in R

Symmetric vs. Skewed Data

 Median, mean and mode of symmetric, positively and negatively skewed data







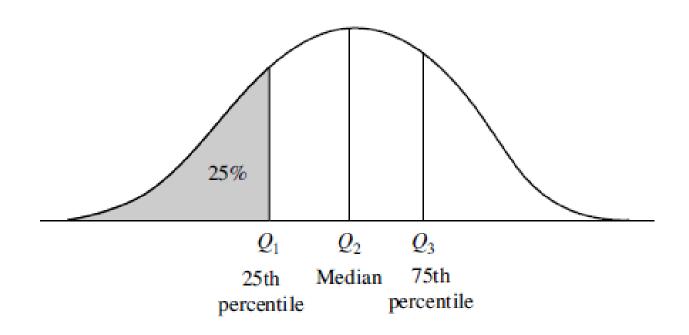
Measuring the Dispersion of Data

- range,
- quantiles,
- quartiles,
- percentiles, and
- Interquartile range
 as measures of data dispersion.

- Range of the set is the difference between the largest (max()) and smallest (min()) values.
- we can pick certain data points so as to split the data distribution into equalsize consecutive sets,

These data points are called *quantiles*

- The 4-quantiles are the three data points that
- split the data distribution into four equal parts; each part represents onefourth of the
- data distribution. They are more commonly referred to as quartiles.



- The 100-quantiles are more commonly referred to as percentiles; they divide the data distribution into 100 equal-sized consecutive sets.
- **3**0, 36, 47, 50, 52, 52, 56, 60, 63, 70, 70, 110.
- Min=30
- Max=110
- Range=80

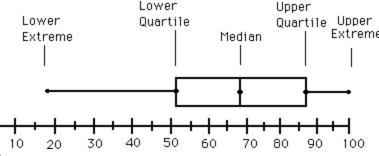
Measuring the Dispersion of Data

- Quartiles, outliers and boxplots
 - **Quartiles**: Q₁ (25th percentile), Q₃ (75th percentile)
 - Inter-quartile range: $IQR = Q_3 Q_1$
 - **Five number summary**: min, Q_1 , median, Q_3 , max
 - **Boxplot**: ends of the box are the quartiles; median is marked; add whiskers, and plot outliers individually
 - **Outlier**: usually, a value higher/lower than 1.5 x IQR
- Variance and standard deviation (sample: s, population: σ)
 - **Variance**: (algebraic, scalable computation)

$$s^{2} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - \bar{x})^{2} = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}^{2} - \frac{1}{n} (\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i})^{2} \right] \qquad \sigma^{2} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - \mu)^{2} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}^{2} - \mu^{2}$$

Standard deviation s (or σ) is the square root of variance s^2 (or σ^2)

Boxplot Analysis

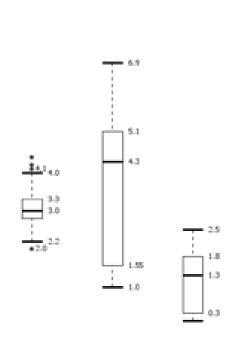


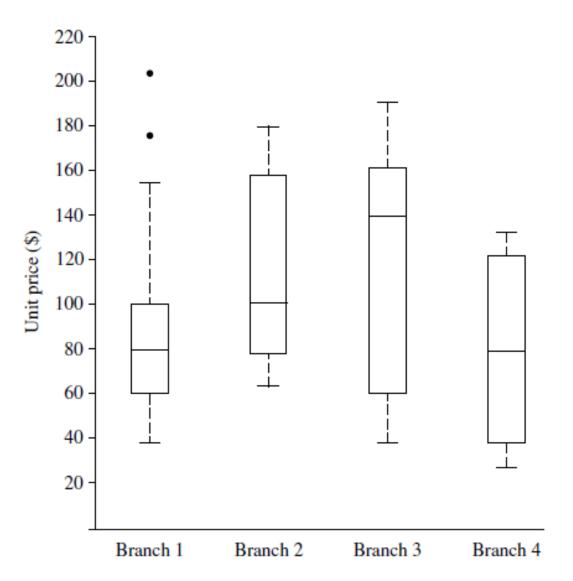
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- Five-number summary of a distribution
 - Minimum, Q1, Median, Q3, Maximum

Boxplot

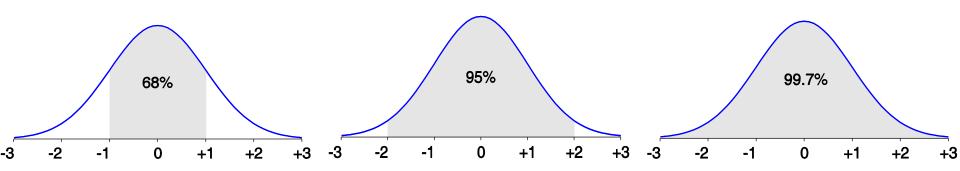
- Data is represented with a box
- The ends of the box are at the first and third quartiles, i.e., the height of the box is IQR
- The median is marked by a line within the box
- Whiskers: two lines outside the box extended to Minimum and Maximum
- Outliers: points beyond a specified outlier threshold, plotted individually





Properties of Normal Distribution Curve

- The normal (distribution) curve
 - From μ – σ to μ + σ : contains about 68% of the measurements (μ : mean, σ : standard deviation)
 - From μ –2 σ to μ +2 σ : contains about 95% of it
 - From μ –3 σ to μ +3 σ : contains about 99.7% of it

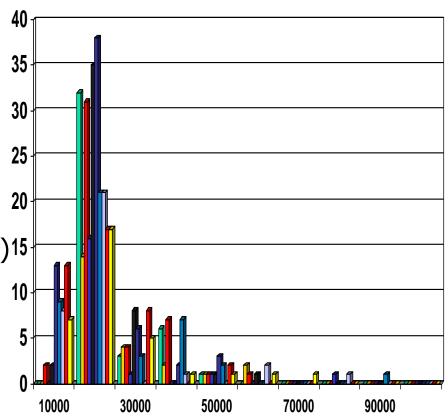


Graphic Displays of Basic Statistical Descriptions

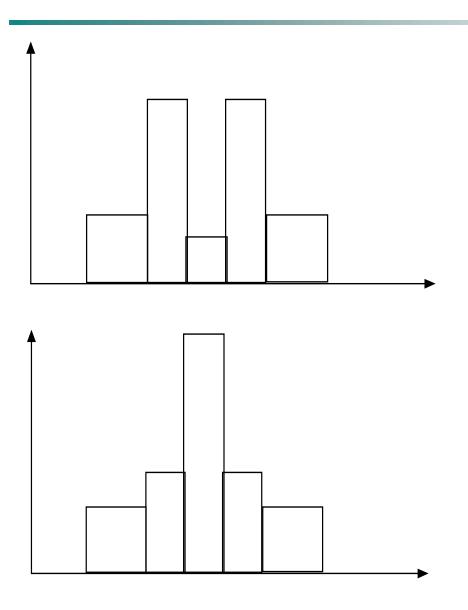
- Boxplot: graphic display of five-number summary
- Histogram: x-axis are values, y-axis repres. frequencies
- **Quantile plot**: each value x_i is paired with f_i indicating that approximately 100 f_i % of data are $\leq x_i$
- Quantile-quantile (q-q) plot: graphs the quantiles of one univariant distribution against the corresponding quantiles of another
- Scatter plot: each pair of values is a pair of coordinates and plotted as points in the plane

Histogram Analysis

- Histogram: Graph display of tabulated frequencies, shown as bars
- It shows what proportion of cases fall into each of several categories
- The categories are usually specified as non-overlapping intervals of some variable. The categories (bars)¹⁵ must be adjacent 10.



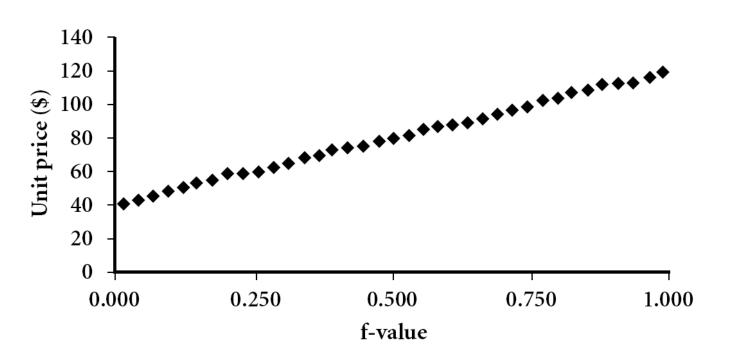
Histograms Often Tell More than Boxplots



- The two histograms shown in the left may have the same boxplot representation
 - The same values for: min, Q1, median, Q3, max
- But they have rather different data distributions

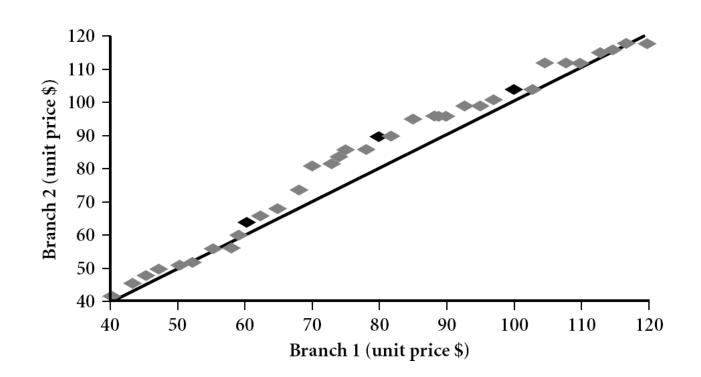
Quantile Plot

- Displays all of the data (allowing the user to assess both the overall behavior and unusual occurrences)
- Plots quantile information
 - For a data x_i data sorted in increasing order, f_i indicates that approximately 100 f_i % of the data are below or equal to the value x_i



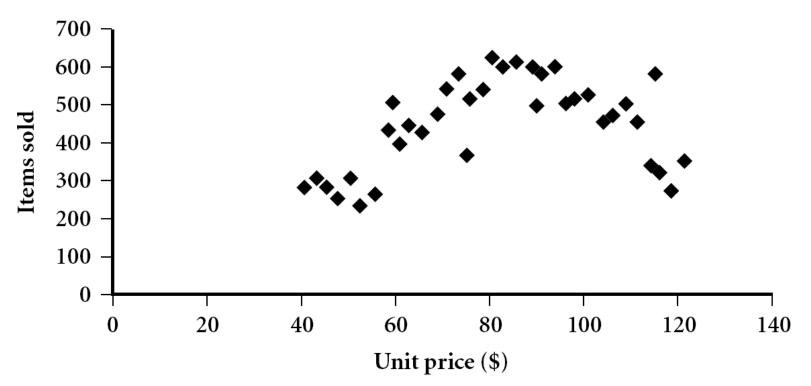
Quantile-Quantile (Q-Q) Plot

- Graphs the quantiles of one univariate distribution against the corresponding quantiles of another
- View: Is there is a shift in going from one distribution to another?
- Example shows unit price of items sold at Branch 1 vs. Branch 2 for each quantile. Unit prices of items sold at Branch 1 tend to be lower than those at Branch 2.

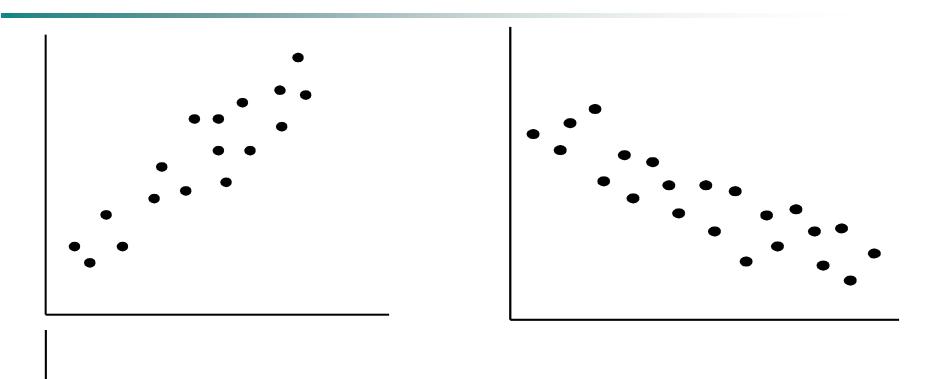


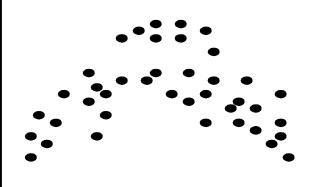
Scatter plot

- Provides a first look at bivariate data to see clusters of points, outliers, etc
- Each pair of values is treated as a pair of coordinates and plotted as points in the plane



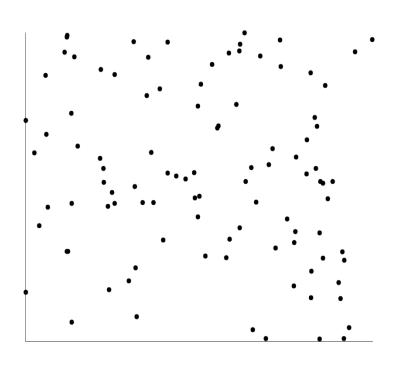
Positively and Negatively Correlated Data

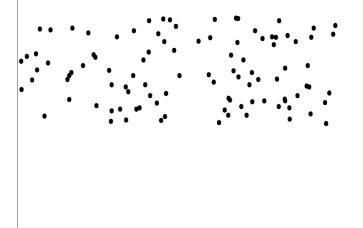




- The left half fragment is positively correlated
- The right half is negative correlated

Uncorrelated Data







Class Exercise 1

- Suppose that the data for analysis includes the attribute age. The age values for the data tuples are (in increasing order) 13, 15, 16, 16, 19, 20, 20, 21, 22, 22, 25, 25, 25, 25, 30,33, 33, 35, 35, 35, 35, 36, 40, 45, 46, 52, 70.
- (a) What is the *mean* of the data?What is the *median*?
- (b) What is the mode of the data? Comment on the data's modality (i.e., bimodal, trimodal, etc.).
- (c) What is the *midrange* of the data?
- (d) Can you find (roughly) the first quartile (Q1) and the third quartile (Q3) of the data?
- (e) Give the *five-number summary* of the data.
- (f) Show a boxplot of the data.

Class Exercise 2

- Suppose that a hospital tested the age and body fat data for 18 randomly selected adults with the following results:
- age 23 23 27 27 39 41 47 49 50 52 54 54 56 57 58 58 60 61
- *%fat* 9.5 26.5 7.8 17.8 31.4 25.9 27.4 27.2 31.2 34.6 42.5 28.8 33.4 30.2 34.1 32.9 41.2 35.7
- (a) Calculate the mean, median, and standard deviation of age and %fat.
- (b) Draw the boxplots for age and %fat.
- (c) Draw a *scatter plot*

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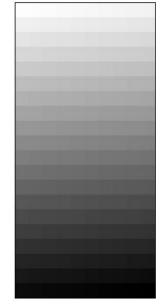
Data Visualization

- Why data visualization?
 - Gain insight into an information space by mapping data onto graphical primitives
 - Provide qualitative overview of large data sets
 - Search for patterns, trends, structure, irregularities, relationships among data
 - Help find interesting regions and suitable parameters for further quantitative analysis
 - Provide a visual proof of computer representations derived
- Categorization of visualization methods:
 - Pixel-oriented visualization techniques
 - Geometric projection visualization techniques
 - Icon-based visualization techniques
 - Hierarchical visualization techniques
 - Visualizing complex data and relations

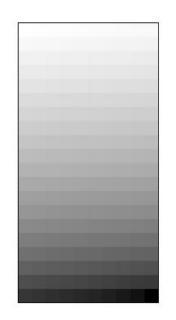
- A relational database for AllElectronics. The fictitious AllElectronics store
 is used to illustrate concepts throughout this book.
- The company is described by the following relation tables:
- customer, item, employee, and branch. The headers of the tables described here
- customer .cust ID, name, address, age, occupation, annual income, credit information, category, . . . |
- item .item ID, brand, category, type, price, place made, supplier, cost, . . . /
- employee .empl ID, name, category, group, salary, commission, . . . /
- branch .branch ID, name, address, . . . /
- purchases .trans ID, cust ID, empl ID, date, time, method paid, amount
- items sold .trans ID, item ID, qty/
- works at .empl ID, branch ID/

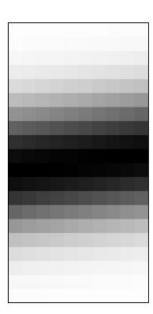
Pixel-Oriented Visualization Techniques

- For a data set of m dimensions, create m windows on the screen, one for each dimension
- The m dimension values of a record are mapped to m pixels at the corresponding positions in the windows
- The colors of the pixels reflect the corresponding values

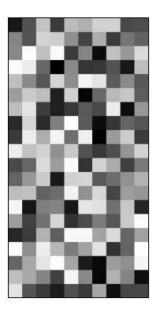


Income





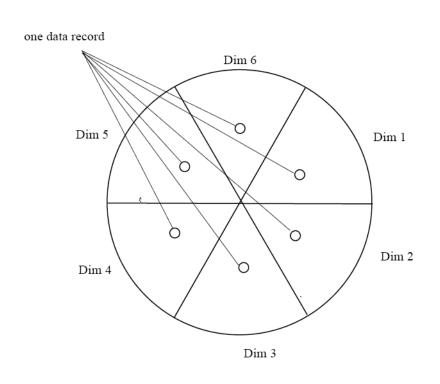
(b) Credit Limit (c) transaction volume



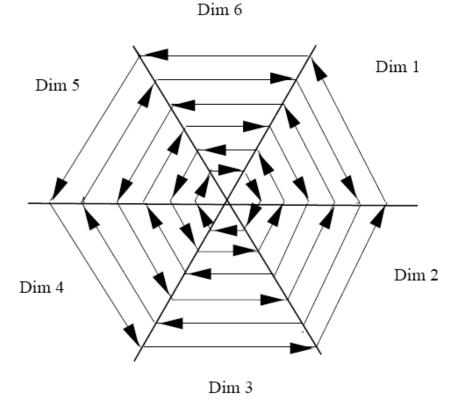
(d) age

Laying Out Pixels in Circle Segments

To save space and show the connections among multiple dimensions,
 space filling is often done in a circle segment



(a) Representing a data record in circle segment

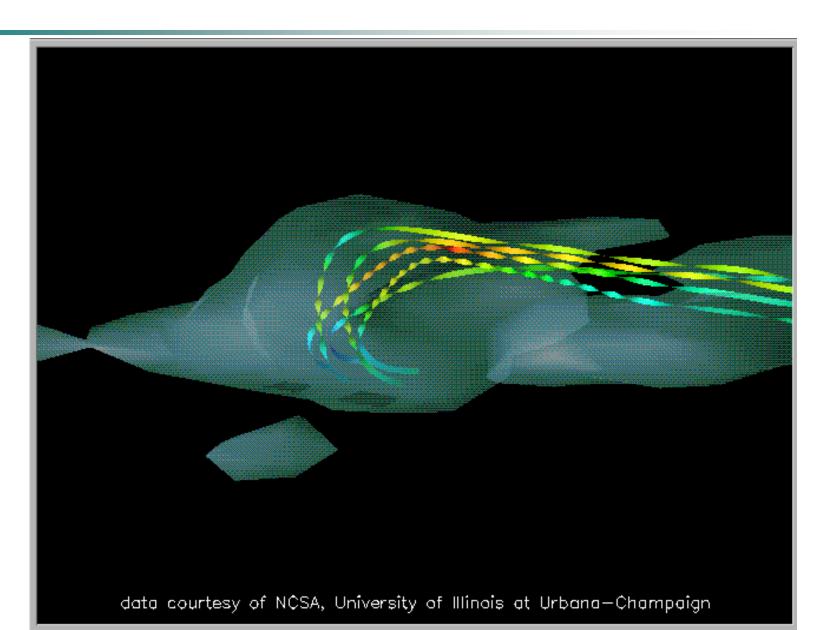


(b) Laying out pixels in circle segment

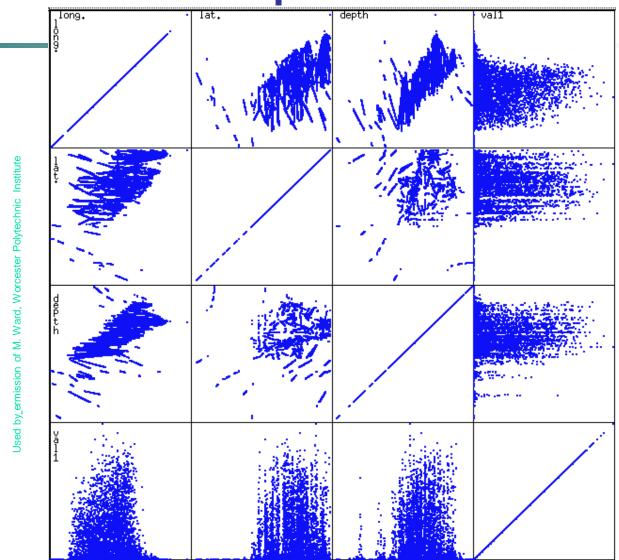
Geometric Projection Visualization Techniques

- Visualization of geometric transformations and projections of the data
- Methods
 - Direct visualization
 - Scatterplot and scatterplot matrices
 - Landscapes
 - Projection pursuit technique: Help users find meaningful projections of multidimensional data
 - Prosection views
 - Hyperslice
 - Parallel coordinates

Direct Data Visualization

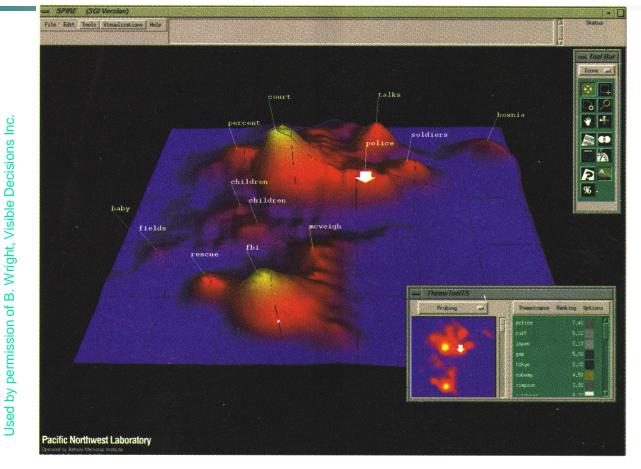


Scatterplot Matrices



Matrix of scatterplots (x-y-diagrams) of the k-dim. data [total of (k2/2-k) scatterplots]

Landscapes

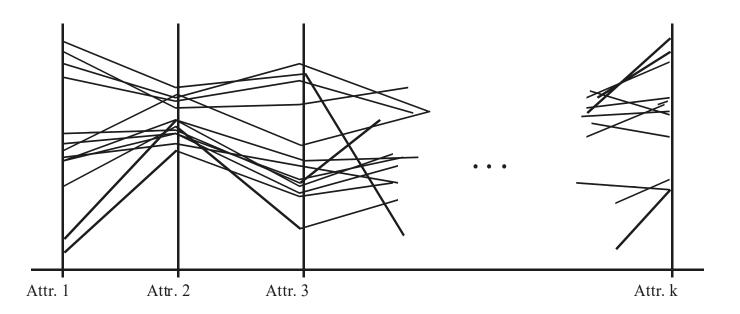


news articles visualized as a landscape

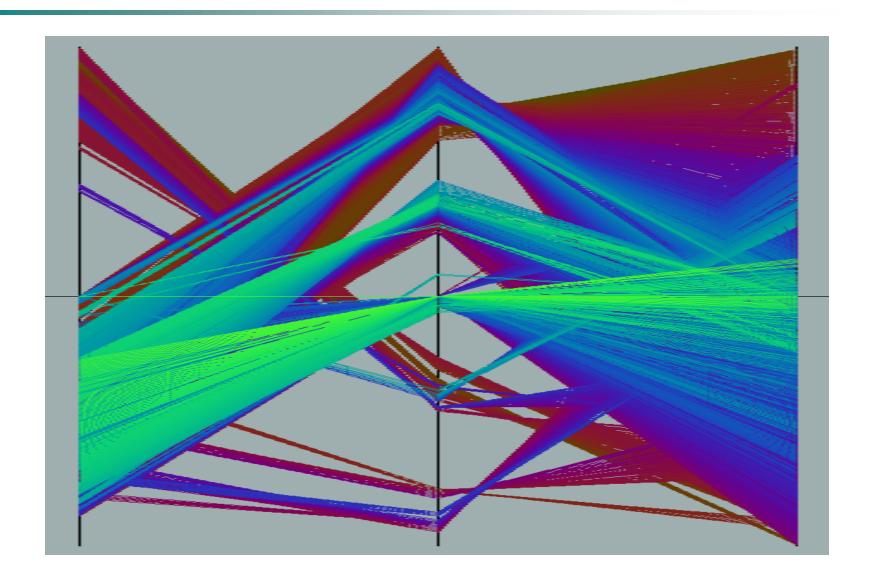
- Visualization of the data as perspective landscape
- The data needs to be transformed into a (possibly artificial) 2D spatial representation which preserves the characteristics of the data

Parallel Coordinates

- n equidistant axes which are parallel to one of the screen axes and correspond to the attributes
- The axes are scaled to the [minimum, maximum]: range of the corresponding attribute
- Every data item corresponds to a polygonal line which intersects each of the axes at the point which corresponds to the value for the attribute



Parallel Coordinates of a Data Set



Icon-Based Visualization Techniques

- Visualization of the data values as features of icons
- Typical visualization methods
 - Chernoff Faces
 - Stick Figures
- General techniques
 - Shape coding: Use shape to represent certain information encoding
 - Color icons: Use color icons to encode more information
 - Tile bars: Use small icons to represent the relevant feature vectors in document retrieval

Chernoff Faces

- A way to display variables on a two-dimensional surface, e.g., let x be eyebrow slant, y be eye size, z be nose length, etc.
- The figure shows faces produced using 10 characteristics--head eccentricity, eye size, eye spacing, eye eccentricity, pupil size, eyebrow slant, nose size, mouth shape, mouth size, and mouth opening): Each assigned one of 10 possible values, generated using Mathematica (S. Dickson)
- REFERENCE: Gonick, L. and Smith, W. <u>The</u>
 <u>Cartoon Guide to Statistics</u>. New York:
 Harper Perennial, p. 212, 1993
- Weisstein, Eric W. "Chernoff Face." From *MathWorld*--A Wolfram Web Resource. <u>mathworld.wolfram.com/ChernoffFace.html</u>

















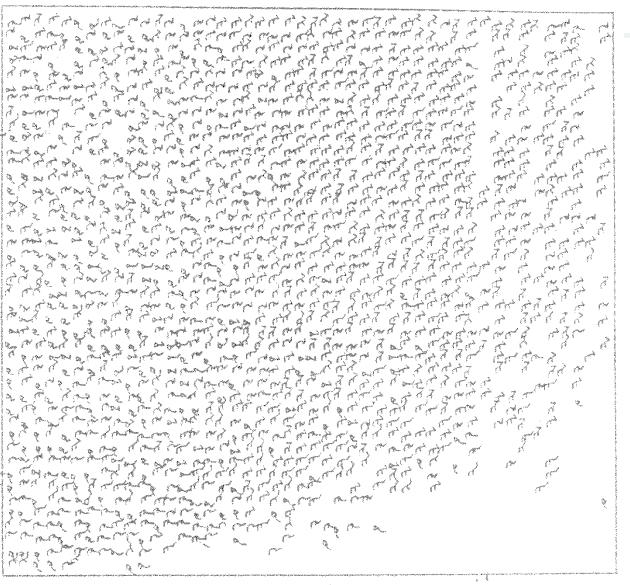








Stick Figure



A census data figure showing age, income, gender, education, etc.

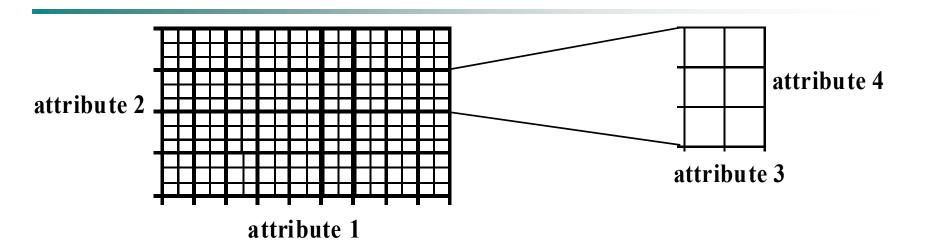
A 5-piece stick figure (1 body and 4 limbs w. different angle/length)

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Hierarchical Visualization Techniques

- Visualization of the data using a hierarchical partitioning into subspaces
- Methods
 - Dimensional Stacking
 - Worlds-within-Worlds
 - Tree-Map
 - Cone Trees
 - InfoCube

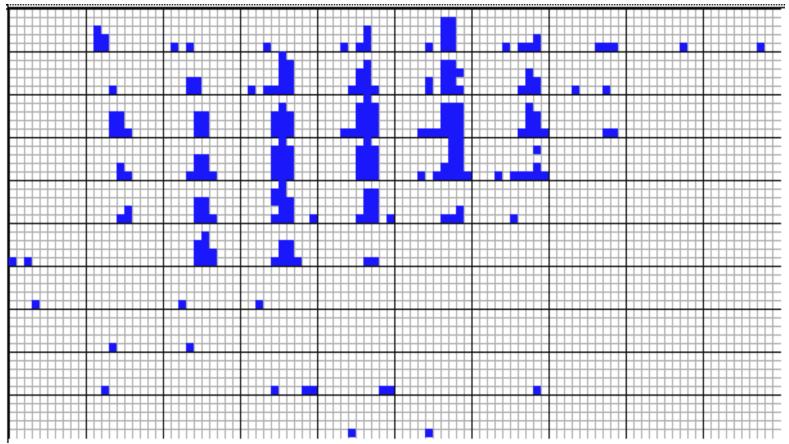
Dimensional Stacking



- Partitioning of the n-dimensional attribute space in 2-D subspaces, which are 'stacked' into each other
- Partitioning of the attribute value ranges into classes. The important attributes should be used on the outer levels.
- Adequate for data with ordinal attributes of low cardinality
- But, difficult to display more than nine dimensions
- Important to map dimensions appropriately

Dimensional Stacking

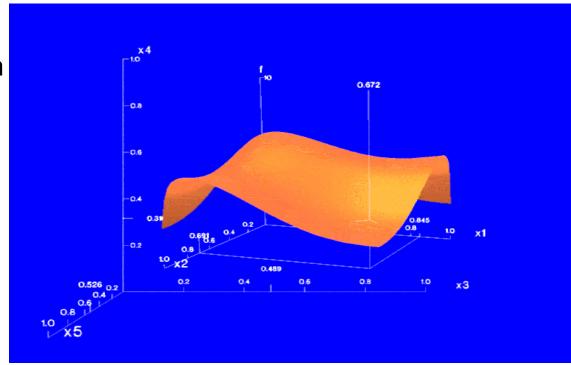




Visualization of oil mining data with longitude and latitude mapped to the outer x-, y-axes and ore grade and depth mapped to the inner x-, y-axes

Worlds-within-Worlds

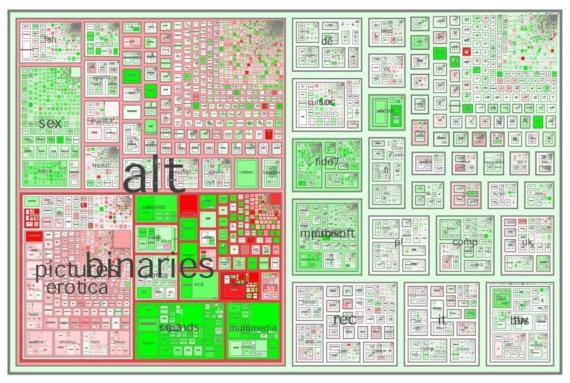
- Assign the function and two most important parameters to innermost world
- Fix all other parameters at constant values draw other (1 or 2 or 3 dimensional worlds choosing these as the axes)
- Software that uses this paradigm
 - N-vision: Dynamic interaction through data glove and stereo displays, including rotation, scaling (inner) and translation (inner/outer)
 - Auto Visual: Static interaction by means of queries



Tree-Map

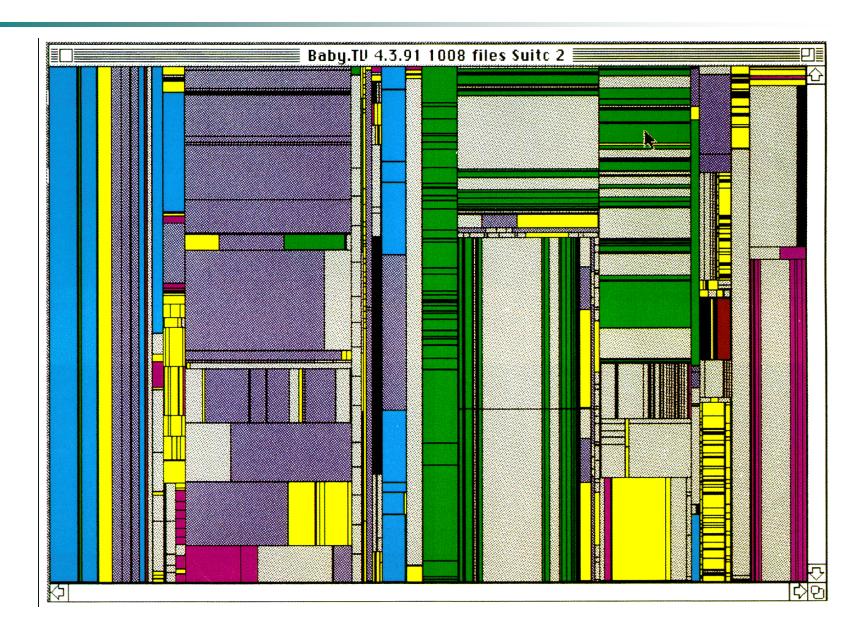
- Screen-filling method which uses a hierarchical partitioning of the screen into regions depending on the attribute values
- The x- and y-dimension of the screen are partitioned alternately according to the attribute values (classes)

MSR Netscan Image



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Tree-Map of a File System (Schneiderman)



InfoCube

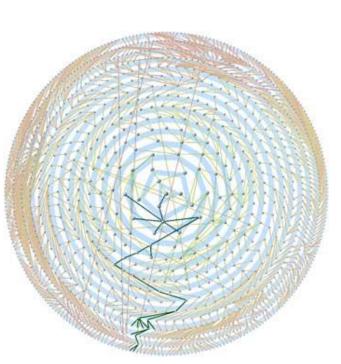
- A 3-D visualization technique where hierarchical information is displayed as nested semi-transparent cubes
- The outermost cubes correspond to the top level data, while the subnodes or the lower level data are represented as smaller cubes inside the

outermost cubes, and so on

Three-D Cone Trees

 3D cone tree visualization technique works well for up to a thousand nodes or so

- First build a 2D circle tree that arranges its nodes in concentric circles centered on the root node
- Cannot avoid overlaps when projected to
 2D
- G. Robertson, J. Mackinlay, S. Card. "Cone Trees: Animated 3D Visualizations of Hierarchical Information", ACM SIGCHI'91
- Graph from Nadeau Software Consulting website: Visualize a social network data set that models the way an infection spreads from one person to the next



Visualizing Complex Data and Relations

- Visualizing non-numerical data: text and social networks
- Tag cloud: visualizing user-generated tags
 - The importance of tag is represented by font size/color
- Besides text data, there are also methods to visualize relationships, such as visualizing social networks



Newsmap: Google News Stories in 2005

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Summary

Similarity and Dissimilarity

Similarity

- Numerical measure of how alike two data objects are
- Value is higher (1) when objects are more alike, 0 when not similar
- Often falls in the range [0,1]
- Dissimilarity (e.g., distance)
 - Numerical measure of how different two data objects are
 - Lower when objects are more alike, 0 = similar, 1= dissimilar
 - Minimum dissimilarity is often 0
 - Upper limit varies
- Proximity refers to a similarity or dissimilarity

Data Matrix and Dissimilarity Matrix

Data matrix

- n data points with p dimensions
- Two modes

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1f} & \cdots & x_{1p} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ x_{i1} & \cdots & x_{if} & \cdots & x_{ip} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ x_{n1} & \cdots & x_{nf} & \cdots & x_{np} \end{bmatrix}$$

Dissimilarity matrix

- n data points, but registers only the distance
- A triangular matrix
- Single mode

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\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ d(2,1) & 0 \\ d(3,1) & d(3,2) & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ d(n,1) & d(n,2) & \dots & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}
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Proximity measures for different types of attributes

- Nominal
- Binary
- Numerical
- ordinal

Proximity Measure for Nominal Attributes

- Can take 2 or more states, e.g., red, yellow, blue, green (generalization of a binary attribute)
- Method 1: Simple matching
- m: # of matches, (i.e., the number of attributes for which i and j are in
- the same state)
 - p: total # of nominal attributes describing the object

$$d(i,j) = \frac{p-m}{p}$$

- Method 2: Use a large number of binary attributes
 - creating a new binary attribute for each of the M nominal states

Example

Table 2.2 A Sample Data Table Containing Attributes of Mixed Type

Object Identifier	test-l (nominal)	test-2 (ordinal)	test-3 (numeric)
1	code A	excellent	45
2	code B	fair	22
3	code C	good	64
4	code A	excellent	28

Suppose that we have the sample data of Table 2.2, except that only the *object-identifier* and the attribute *test-1* are available, where *test-1* is nominal. Let's compute the dissimilarity matrix

dissimilarity matrix : d(i, j) is the measured **dissimilarity** or "difference" between objects *i* and *j*.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ d(2,1) & 0 \\ d(3,1) & d(3,2) & 0 \\ d(4,1) & d(4,2) & d(4,3) & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since here we have one nominal attr *test-1*, we set p = 1*m*: # of matches, (i.e., the number of attributes for which *i* and *j* are in the same state)

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$$d(i,j) = \frac{p-m}{p}$$

dissimilarity matrix ->
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & \\ 1 & 0 & & \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Similarity measure:

$$sim(i,j) = 1 - d(i,j) = \frac{m}{p}.$$

Proximity Measure for Binary Attributes

- A contingency table for binary data
- Distance measure for symmetric binary variables:
- Distance measure for asymmetric binary variables:
- Jaccard coefficient (similarity)
 measure for asymmetric binary
 variables):

$$d(i,j) = \frac{r+s}{q+r+s+t}$$

$$d(i,j) = \frac{r+s}{q+r+s}$$

$$sim_{Jaccard}(i, j) = \frac{q}{q + r + s}$$

Note: Jaccard coefficient is the same as "coherence":

$$coherence(i,j) = \frac{sup(i,j)}{sup(i) + sup(j) - sup(i,j)} = \frac{q}{(q+r) + (q+s) - q}$$

Dissimilarity beta

	1	0	sum	les
1	q	r	q+r	
0	s	t	s+t	
sum	q + s	r+t	p	

Example

Name	Gender	Fever	Cough	Test-1	Test-2	Test-3	Test-4
Jack	M	Y	N	P	N	N	N
Mary	F	Y	N	P	N	P	N
Jim	M	Y	P	N	N	N	N

- Gender is a symmetric attribute
- The remaining attributes are asymmetric binary
- Let the values Y and P be 1, and the value N 0

$$d(jack, mary) = \frac{0+1}{2+0+1} = 0.33$$

$$d(jack, jim) = \frac{1+1}{1+1+1} = 0.67$$

$$d(jim, mary) = \frac{1+2}{1+1+2} = 0.75$$

Standardizing Numeric Data

• Z-score:
$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

- X: raw score to be standardized, μ: mean of the population, σ: standard deviation
- the distance between the raw score and the population mean in units of the standard deviation
- negative when the raw score is below the mean, "+" when above
- An alternative way: Calculate the mean absolute deviation

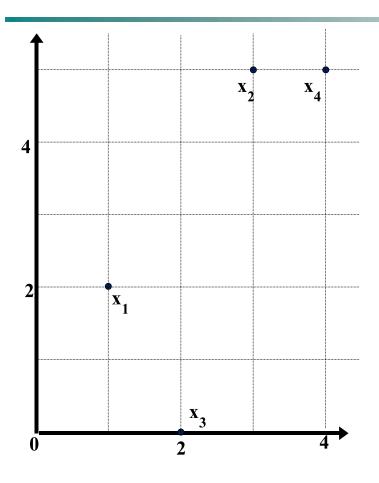
$$s_f = \frac{1}{n}(|x_{1f} - m_f| + |x_{2f} - m_f| + ... + |x_{nf} - m_f|)$$
 where
$$m_f = \frac{1}{n}(x_{1f} + x_{2f} + ... + x_{nf})$$

$$z_{if} = \frac{x_{if} - m_f}{s_f}$$
 standardized measure (*z-score*):

Using mean absolute deviation is more robust than using standard deviation

Example:

Data Matrix and Dissimilarity Matrix



Data Matrix

point	attribute1	attribute2
<i>x1</i>	1	2
<i>x2</i>	3	5
<i>x</i> 3	2	0
<i>x4</i>	4	5

Dissimilarity Matrix

(with Euclidean Distance)

	<i>x1</i>	<i>x</i> 2	<i>x3</i>	<i>x4</i>
<i>x1</i>	0			
<i>x</i> 2	3.61	0		
<i>x3</i>	5.1	5.1	0	
<i>x4</i>	4.24	1	5.39	0

Distance on Numeric Data: Minkowski Distance

Minkowski distance: A popular distance measure

$$d(i,j) = \sqrt[h]{|x_{i1} - x_{j1}|^h + |x_{i2} - x_{j2}|^h + \dots + |x_{ip} - x_{jp}|^h}$$

where $i = (x_{i1}, x_{i2}, ..., x_{ip})$ and $j = (x_{j1}, x_{j2}, ..., x_{jp})$ are two p-dimensional data objects, and h is the order (the distance so defined is also called L-h norm)

- Properties
 - d(i, j) > 0 if $i \neq j$, and d(i, i) = 0 (Positive definiteness)
 - d(i, j) = d(j, i) (Symmetry)
 - $d(i, j) \le d(i, k) + d(k, j)$ (Triangle Inequality)
- A distance that satisfies these properties is a metric

Special Cases of Minkowski Distance

- h = 1: Manhattan (city block, L₁ norm) distance
 - E.g., the Hamming distance: the number of bits that are different between two binary vectors

$$d(i,j) = |x_{i_1} - x_{j_1}| + |x_{i_2} - x_{j_2}| + ... + |x_{i_p} - x_{j_p}|$$

• h = 2: (L₂ norm) Euclidean distance

$$d(i,j) = \sqrt{(|x_{i1} - x_{j1}|^2 + |x_{i2} - x_{j2}|^2 + ... + |x_{ip} - x_{jp}|^2)}$$

- $h \to \infty$. "supremum" (L_{max} norm, L_{∞} norm) distance.
 - This is the maximum difference between any component (attribute) of the vectors

$$d(i,j) = \lim_{h \to \infty} \left(\sum_{f=1}^{p} |x_{if} - x_{jf}|^h \right)^{\frac{1}{h}} = \max_{f} |x_{if} - x_{jf}|$$

Example: Minkowski Distance

Dissimilarity Matrices Manhattan (L₁)

point	attribute 1	attribute 2
x 1	1	2
x2	3	5
x3	2	0
x4	4	5

L	x 1	x2	x 3	x4
x1	0			
x2	5	0		
х3	3	6	0	
x4	6	1	7	0

$\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{A}}$ **x**₁ \mathbf{x}_{3}

Euclidean (L₂)

L2	x1	x2	x 3	x4
x1	0			
x2	3.61	0		
x 3	2.24	5.1	0	
x4	4.24	1	5.39	0

Supremum

L_{∞}	x1	x2	х3	x4
x1	0			
x2	3	0		
x 3	2	5	0	
x4	3	1	5	0

Assignment 1 Q.1

Given two objects represented by the tuples (22, 1, 42, 10) and (20, 0, 36, 8):

- (a) Compute the Euclidean distance between the two objects.
- (b) Compute the *Manhattan distance* between the two objects.
- (c) Compute the *Minkowski distance* between the two objects, using q = 3.

Assignment 1 Q.2

	A_1	A_2
x_1	1.5	1.7
x_2	2	1.9
<i>x</i> ₃	1.6	1.8
<i>x</i> ₄	1.2	1.5
<i>x</i> ₅	1.5	1.0

- (a) Consider the data as 2-D data points. Given a new data point, x = (1.4, 1.6) as a query, rank the database points based on similarity with the query using Euclidean distance, Manhattan distance and cosine similarity.
- (b) Normalize the data set to make the norm of each data point equal to 1. Use Euclidean distance on the transformed data to rank the data points.

Ordinal Variables

- An ordinal variable can be discrete or continuous
- Ordinal attributes may also be obtained from the discretization of numeric attributes by splitting the value
- range into a finite number of categories. These categories are organized into ranks.
- Order is important, e.g., rank

$$r_{if} \in \{1, \dots, M_f\}$$

- Let f is attribute. Value of f for ith object is x_{if}
- F has M states representing ranking from 1 to M_f
- Can be treated like interval-scaled
 - replace x_{if} by their rank
 - map the range of each variable onto [0, 1] by replacing $ilde{ extit{F}}$ th object in the $ilde{ extit{F}}$ th variable by

$$z_{if} = \frac{r_{if} - 1}{M_f - 1}$$

compute the dissimilarity using methods for interval-scaled variables

- Suppose that we have the sample data shown earlier in Table 2.2, except that this time only the *object-identifier* and the continuous ordinal attribute, *test-2*, are available.
- There are three states for *test-2*: *fair*, *good*, and *excellent*, that is, Mf = 3.
- For step 1, if we replace each value for *test-2* by its rank, the four objects are assigned the ranks 3, 1, 2, and 3, respectively.
- Step 2 normalizes the ranking by mapping rank 1 to 0.0, rank 2 to 0.5, and rank 3 to 1.0.

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For step 3, we can use, say, the Euclidean distance, which results in the following dissimilarity matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1.0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.0 & 0.5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

1	1
2	0
3	0.5
4	1

Attributes of Mixed Type

- A database may contain all attribute types
 - Nominal, symmetric binary, asymmetric binary, numeric, ordinal
- One may use a weighted formula to combine their effects

$$d(i,j) = \frac{\sum_{f=1}^{p} \delta_{ij}^{(f)} d_{ij}^{(f)}}{\sum_{f=1}^{p} \delta_{ij}^{(f)}}$$

f is binary or nominal:

$$d_{ij}^{(f)} = 0$$
 if $x_{if} = x_{jf}$, or $d_{ij}^{(f)} = 1$ otherwise

- f is numeric: use the normalized distance
- f is ordinal
 - Compute ranks r_{if} and
 - Treat z_{if} as interval-scaled

$$Z_{if} = \frac{r_{if} - 1}{M_{f} - 1}$$

Cosine Similarity

 A document can be represented by thousands of attributes, each recording the frequency of a particular word (such as keywords) or phrase in the document.

Document	teamcoach		hockey	baseball	soccer	penalty	score	win	loss	season
Document1	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Document2	3	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
Document3	0	7	0	2	1	0	0	3	0	0
Document4	0	1	0	0	1	2	2	0	3	0

- Other vector objects: gene features in micro-arrays, ...
- Applications: information retrieval, biologic taxonomy, gene feature mapping, ...
- Cosine measure: If d_1 and d_2 are two vectors (e.g., term-frequency vectors), then

$$cos(d_1, d_2) = (d_1 \cdot d_2) / ||d_1|| ||d_2||,$$

where \bullet indicates vector dot product, ||d||: the length of vector d

Example: Cosine Similarity

- $cos(d_1, d_2) = (d_1 \cdot d_2) / ||d_1|| ||d_2||$, where • indicates vector dot product, ||d|: the length of vector d
- Ex: Find the similarity between documents 1 and 2.

$$d_{1} = (5, 0, 3, 0, 2, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0)$$

$$d_{2} = (3, 0, 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1)$$

$$d_{1} \bullet d_{2} = 5*3+0*0+3*2+0*0+2*1+0*1+0*1+2*1+0*0+0*1 = 25$$

$$||d_{1}|| = (5*5+0*0+3*3+0*0+2*2+0*0+0*0+2*2+0*0+0*0)^{0.5} = (42)^{0.5}$$

$$= 6.481$$

$$||d_{2}|| = (3*3+0*0+2*2+0*0+1*1+1*1+0*0+1*1+0*0+1*1)^{0.5} = (17)^{0.5}$$

$$= 4.12$$

$$\cos(d_{1}, d_{2}) = 0.94$$

Chapter 2: Getting to Know Your Data

- Data Objects and Attribute Types
- Basic Statistical Descriptions of Data
- Data Visualization
- Measuring Data Similarity and Dissimilarity
- Summary



Summary

- Data attribute types: nominal, binary, ordinal, interval-scaled, ratioscaled
- Many types of data sets, e.g., numerical, text, graph, Web, image.
- Gain insight into the data by:
 - Basic statistical data description: central tendency, dispersion, graphical displays
 - Data visualization: map data onto graphical primitives
 - Measure data similarity
- Above steps are the beginning of data preprocessing.
- Many methods have been developed but still an active area of research.

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