



# DATA SET TYPES

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# STUDY GUIDE: KEY CONCEPTS

Make sure you understand the following key concepts by the end of Week 2:

Data set types

Records, transactions, images, sequences, audios

Variable types

Nominal or categorical, ordinal, numeric (interval and ratio)

Data quality issues

Outliers, missing values, duplicate data

Data summary and visualization

Data transformation

# DATA SET TYPES

Record data: Data in the tabular format

Each row is a data example.

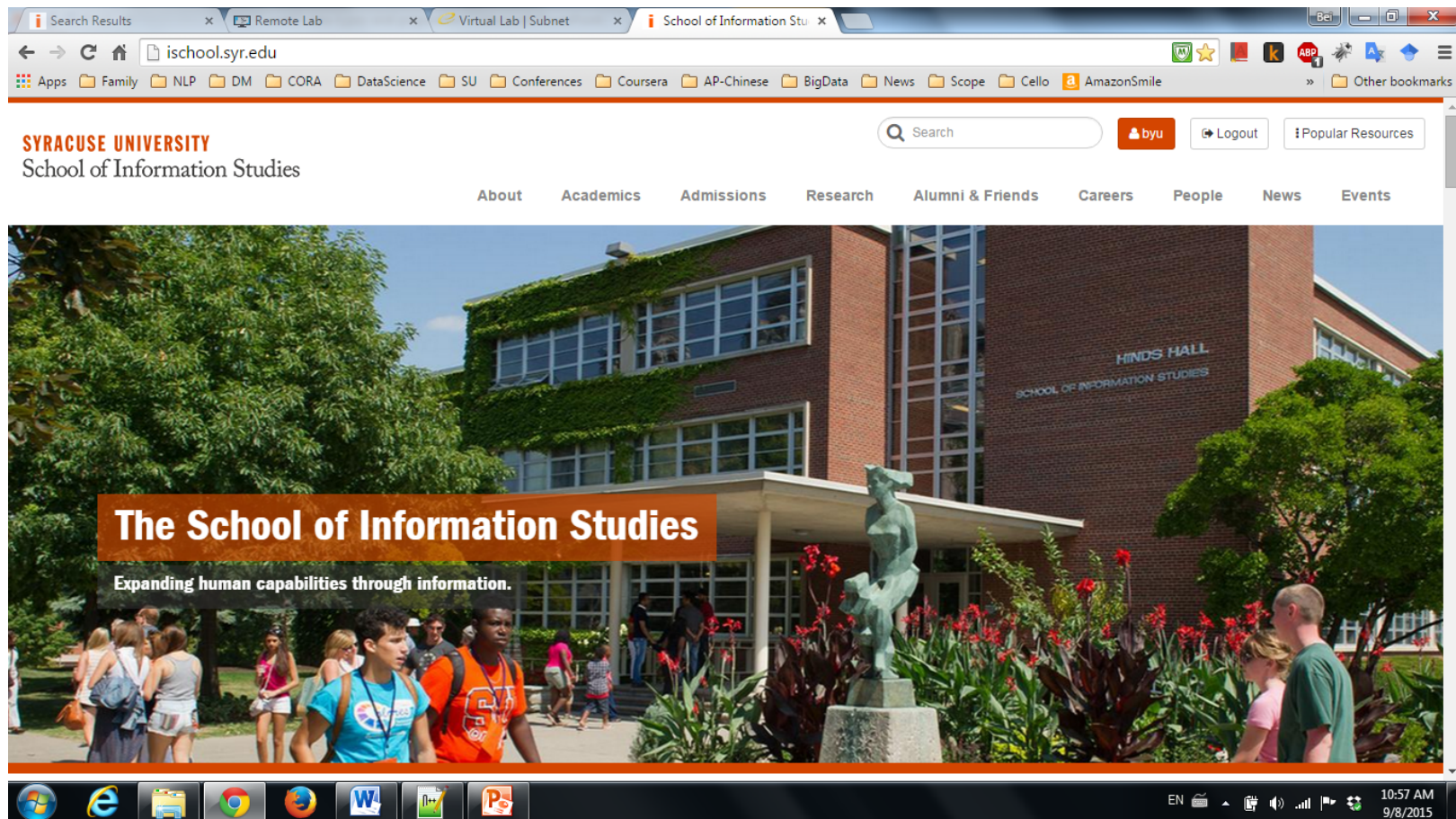
Each column is an attribute.

Most common type of data set.

NAME	HIGHEST DEGREE	AGE	BLOOD TYPE
Jane	Middle School	25	A
John	High School	30	B
Amy	College	34	O
Larry	Grad School	31	AB



# NONRECORD DATA



# NONRECORD DATA: TEXT DOCUMENTS

Some data sets are not born as record data but can be converted to record format.

	team	coach	play	ball	score	game	win	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

# IMAGE DATA

<https://www.kaggle.com/c/digit-recognizer>

9 6 6 5 4 0 7 4 0 1  
3 1 3 4 7 2 7 1 2 1  
1 7 4 2 3 5 1 2 4 4  
9

	A	B	C	D	E	
1	label	pixel0	pixel1	pixel2	pixel3	p
2	4	0	0	0	0	0
3	5	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	2	0	0	0	0	0
6	1	0	0	0	0	0
7	4	0	0	0	0	0
8	9	0	0	0	0	0
9	6	0	0	0	0	0
10	8	0	0	0	0	0

Each image is  $28 \times 28$  pixels = 784 total.

Each pixel has a single pixel value [0, 255] associated with it, indicating the lightness or darkness of that pixel, with higher numbers meaning darker.

# SEQUENCE DATA

GGTTCCGCCTTCAGCCCCGCGCC  
CGCAGGGGCCCGCCCCGCGCCGTC  
GAGAAGGGCCCCGCCTGGCGGGCG  
GGGGGAGGCGGGGGCCGCCCGAGC  
CCAACCGAGTCCGACCAGGTGCC  
CCCTCTGCTCGGCCTAGACCTGA  
GCTCATTAGGCGGCAGCGGACAG  
GCCAAGTAGAACACGCGAAGCGC  
TGGGCTGCCTGCTGCGACCAGGG

# PLAGIARISM DETECTION

Edit distance: The minimum number of steps needed to transform one sequence to the other

E.g., to transform “ABCD” to “ABCE,” one step is needed to transform “D” to “E.”

The algorithms used for comparing genomic sequences were used to detect plagiarism (e.g., turnitin.com) by replacing the nucleotides A, T, C, and G with words in text documents.



# TRANSACTION DATA

<i><b>TID</b></i>	<i><b>Items</b></i>
<b>1</b>	<b>Bread, Coke, Milk</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Beer, Bread</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Beer, Coke, Diaper, Milk</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Beer, Bread, Diaper, Milk</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Coke, Diaper, Milk</b>

# TRANSACTION DATA

<i>TID</i>	<i>Items</i>
1	Bread, Coke, Milk
2	Beer, Bread
3	Beer, Coke, Diaper, Milk
4	Beer, Bread, Diaper, Milk
5	Coke, Diaper, Milk

Converted to record data



TID	Bread?	Coke?	Milk?	Diaper?	Beer?
1	1	1	1	0	0
2	1	0	0	0	1
3	0	1	1	1	1
4	1	0	1	1	1
5	0	1	1	1	0

# SPARSE MATRIX

Most values in the matrix are “0”

Too many columns

Too few with nonzero values

TID	Bread?	Coke?	Milk?	Diaper?	Beer?
1	1	1	1	0	0
2	1	0	0	0	1
3	0	1	1	1	1
4	1	0	1	1	1
5	0	1	1	1	0

# STORAGE OF SPARSE MATRIX

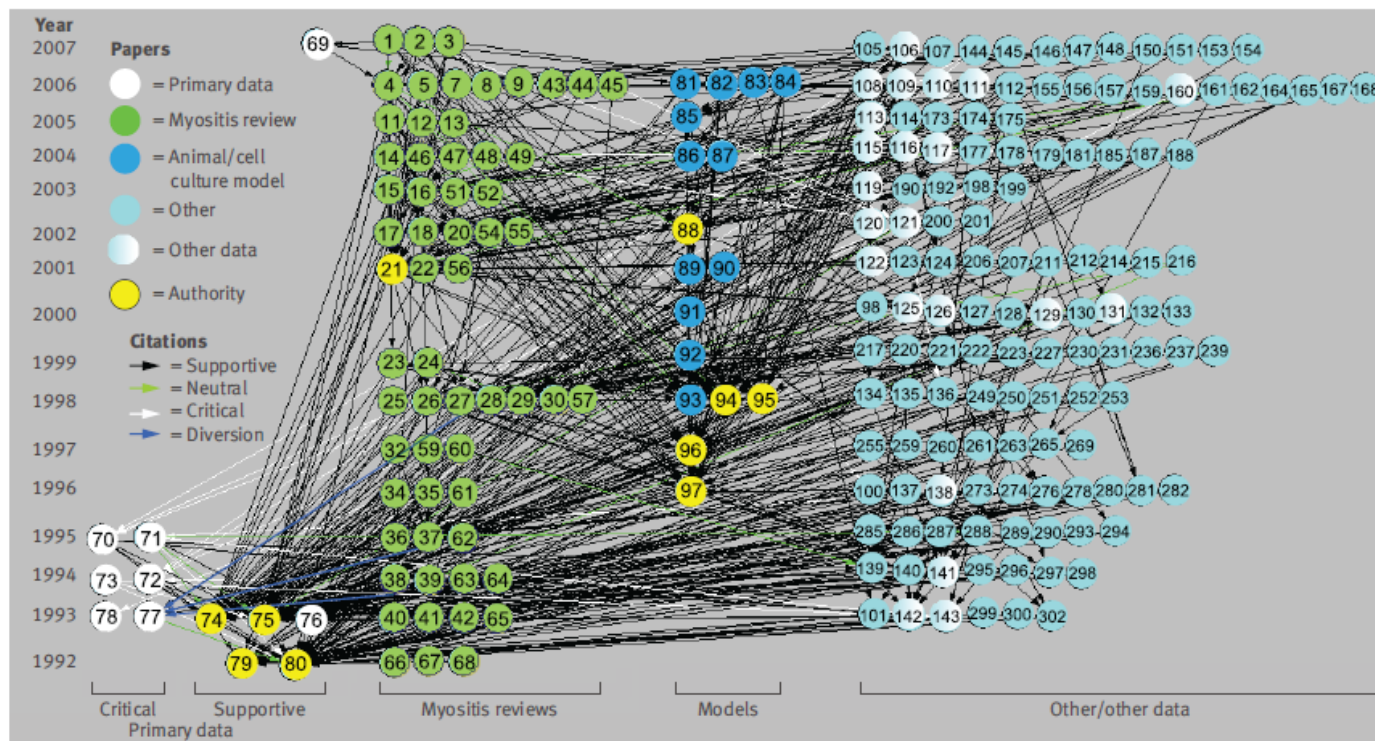
<i>TID</i>	<i>Items</i>
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4	Beer, Bread, Diaper, Milk
5	Coke, Diaper, Milk

Requires less space

TID	Bread?	Coke?	Milk?	Diaper?	Beer?
1	1	1	1	0	0
2	1	0	0	0	1
3	0	1	1	1	1
4	1	0	1	1	1
5	0	1	1	1	0

Requires more space

# NETWORK DATA



**Fig 1 |** Claim specific citation network. Citations regarding claim that  $\beta$  amyloid precursor protein mRNA or protein, or  $\beta$  amyloid protein, is abnormally present in inclusion body myositis muscle. The network is organised according to paper category and year of publication. Authority status (yellow) was defined computationally by network theory. Many citations flow to supportive primary data but not critical data. Papers are represented as nodes ( $n=218$ ) and citations as directed edges (supportive  $n=636$ , neutral  $n=18$ , critical  $n=21$ , diversion  $n=3$ ). Twenty four papers contain statements pertaining to claim but do not make or receive citations about it (not shown).



# REVIEW OF DATA SET TYPES

Record data

Nonrecord data

- Text data

- Image data

- Sequence data

- Transaction data

- Network data