

Practical Subgroup Discovery

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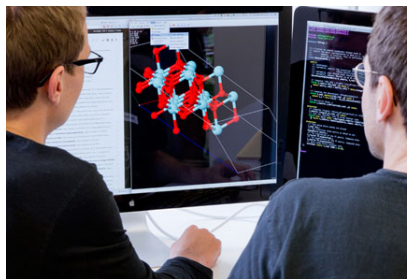


Two flavors of data science

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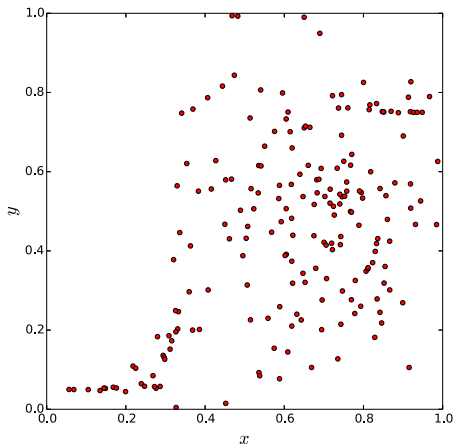
Predictive modelling



Exploratory data analysis

Global versus local modelling

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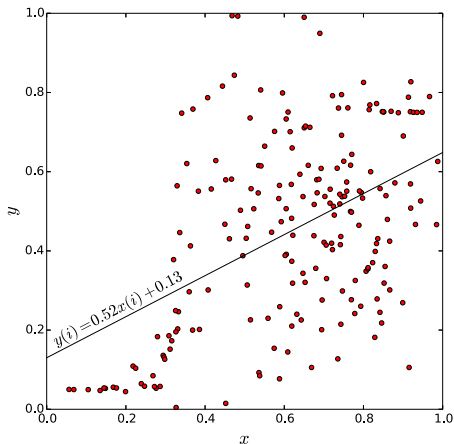
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What can we tell about y ?

(in terms of x)

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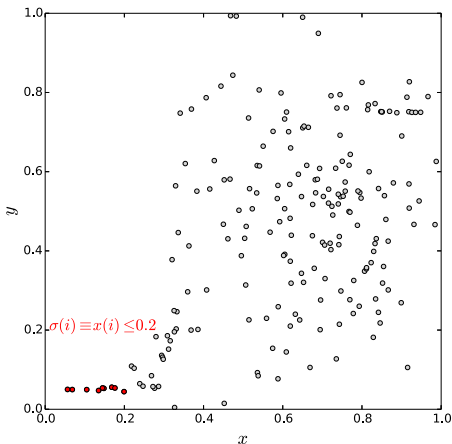
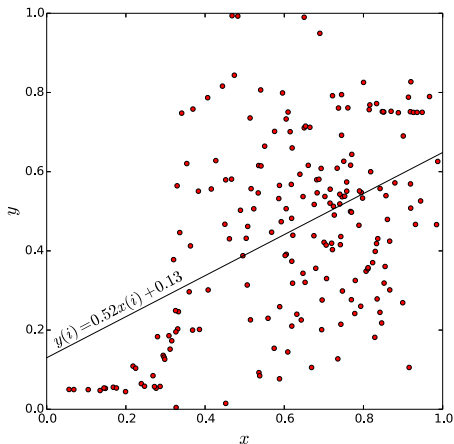
Coefficients $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ such that objective function

$$f(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i \in P} (\alpha x(i) + \beta - y(i))^2 + \lambda \|\alpha, \beta\|_1$$

is minimal

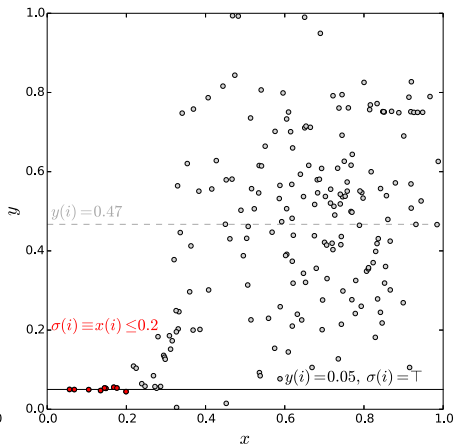
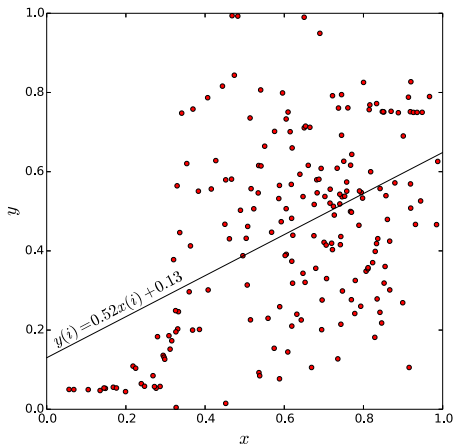
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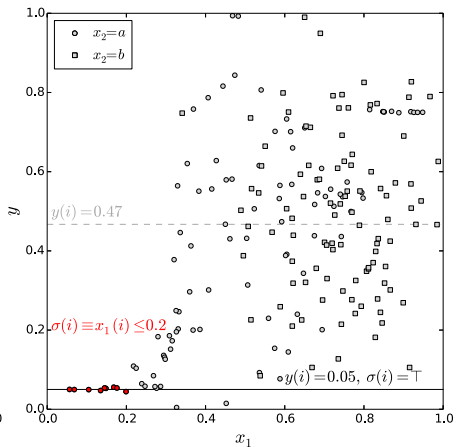
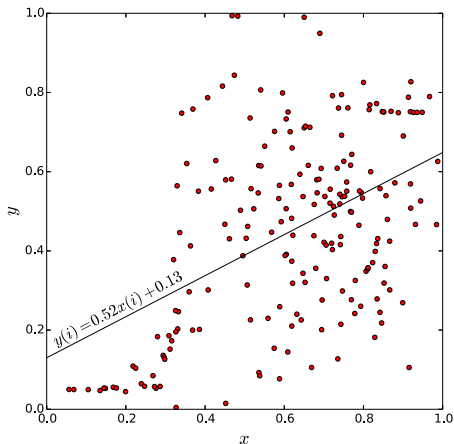
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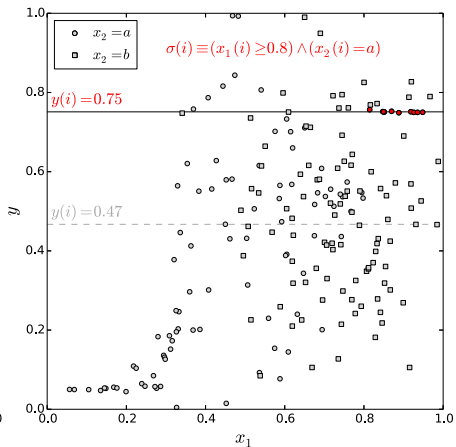
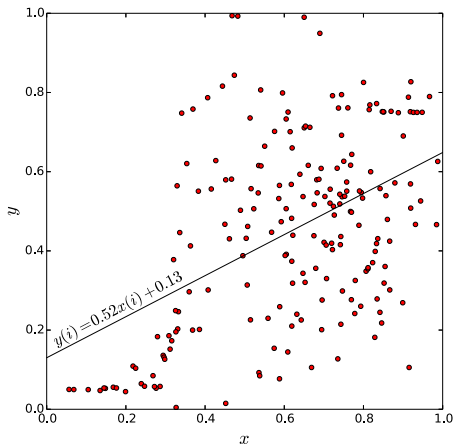
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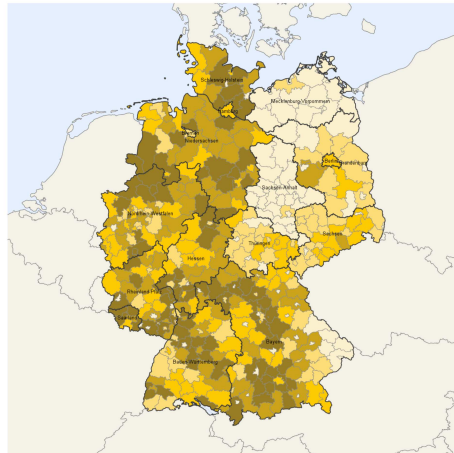
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Target variable: non-voter diff. 2005-2009

Description attributes:

- Geographical (region, state)
- Demographic (pop. density, highsch. degrees, ...)
- Economic (GDP growth, web domains,...)



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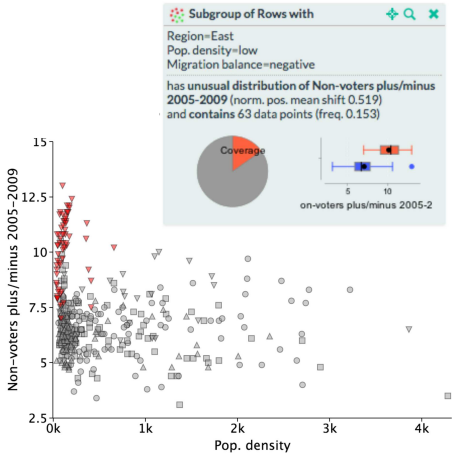
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Tools and software

- VIKAMINE

More for computer scientists: (communities, simpler patterns)

- RealKD/Creedo <https://bitbucket.org/realKD>

Multiple algorithms, several objectives

From a material scientist for material scientists



Getting RealKD/Creedo

A docker image is available

- Getting the image

Option a) Build:

```
docker build -t kalofoli/creedo-deps \
    git@github.com:kalofoli/docker.git#:creedo-deps
docker build -t kalofoli/creedo \
    git@github.com:kalofoli/docker.git#:creedo
```

Option b) Download: ($\approx 1.3\text{GB}$)

```
docker create -t kalofoli/creedo
```

- Running docker

```
docker run -it -p 8080:8080/tcp kalofoli/creedo
```

Subgroup Discovery with Creed

- Open browser at: <http://localhost:8080/Creedo>
- login with User: default and empty password
- (Optional) Upload xarf data file
- Click Analyze

Settings

Pattern Discovery ×

Category:

Exceptional subgroup discovery

Algorithm:

Exhaustive Exceptional Subgroup Discovery

Target attributes:

✕ Survived

Model class:

Contingency table

Deviation Measure:

total variation distance

Control attribute:

Optional.empty

Coverage weight:

1.0

Propositions:

Statements about Titanic

Attribute filter:

Number of results:

1

Optimistic estimator:

coverage only

Approximation factor:

1.0

Depth limit:

Optional.empty

Cancel

Execute!

Titanic

Pattern Discovery ×

Category:

Exceptional subgroup discovery

Algorithm:

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Target attributes:

✕ LEFT 2009

Model class:

Empirical distribution

Deviation Measure:

norm. pos. mean shift

Control attribute:

Optional.empty

Coverage weight:

1.0

Propositions:

Statements about germany2

Attribute filter:

Number of results:

5

Optimistic estimator:

coverage and positive mean shift

Approximation factor:

1.0

Depth limit:

Optional[3]

Cancel

Execute!

Germany

Automating Experiments

Using RealKD Job descriptions

```
1  {
2    "type" : "productWorkScheme",
3    "id" : "octet_binaries_fdd",
4    "workspaces" : [ {
5      "type" : "workspaceFromXarf",
6      "id" : "binaries",
7      "datafile" : "octet_binaries_2.1.1.xarf"
8    } ],
9    "computations" : [ {
10     "type" : "functionalDependencyDiscovery",
11     "id" : "titanic_functional_pattern_discovery",
12     "target" : "sign_delta_e",
13     "num_res" : 3,
14     "alpha" : 1.0
15   } ],
16   "computationTimeLimit" : 3600
17 }
```