Data Scales and representation

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Data Mining

- Data mining is a process of discovering patterns in data sets to achieve some specific objective. This involving methods at the intersection of machine learning, statistics, and database systems.
- In the 1960s, statisticians and economists used terms like data fishing or data dredging to refer to what they considered the bad practice of analyzing data without an a-priori hypothesis.

Data Mining Skill Set

- Statistics
- Programming Languages

 Pre-processing
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- Data Extraction & processing
- Data wrangling and exploration;
- Machine Learning models
- Data Visualization

Post-processing

Data Mining Tasks

- Gathering Business objectives
- Data acquisition

Pre-processing

- Data processing
- Data exploration
- Data Modeling
- Data Visualization
- Model deployment

Post-processing

Data Mining job profiles

Designation	Role	
Data analyst manager	Manage the data mining group	
Data Scientist	Design, develop and deploy data	
Data analyst	models	
Data Architecture	Provide secure and efficient access to	
Data Engineer	data.	
Database administrator		
Business analyst	Provide business objectives	
Statistician	Provide statistical insights	

Data Type

- Discrete data:
 - Discrete non-ordered numbers
 - Random collection of words
 - Unrelated audio sounds
 - Random music notes
- Sequential (temporal) data:
 - Stochastic process
 - Sequence of words in a sentence
 - Audio speech data
 - Music
- Spatial data:
 - Image data
 - Geo-spatial data

Sequential
Spatio-temporal
data

Other classifications include

- Categorical vs numerical
- Qualitative vs Quantitative

Same numerical data may have different semantic meanings

 Depending on the semantic meaning different types of mathematical operations are appropriate

• Based on semantic meanings there are four different scales

Scale	Operations		Example	Statistics
Ratio		/	21 years, 273 K	Generalized mean
Interval	+	_	2015 A.D., 20 °C	Mean
Ordinal	>	<	A, B, C, D, F	Median
Nominal	=	≠	Alice, Bob, Carol	Mode

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Nominal scaled data

- Only tests for equality or non-equality are valid.
- Data of a nominal feature can be represented by the mode (value that occurs most frequently.)

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Ordinal scaled data

- The operations "greater than" and "less than" are valid
- inequality, and the combinations "greater than or equal" (≥) and "less than or equal" (≤).
- The relation "less than or equal" (≤) defines a total order, such that for any x; y; z we have
 - Antisymmetry

• Transitivity
$$(x \le y) \land (y \le x) \Rightarrow (x = y)$$
 • Totality
$$(x \le y) \land (y \le z) \Rightarrow (x \le z)$$
 • $(x \le y) \lor (y \le x)$

Represented by the median (the value for which (almost) as many smaller as larger values exist)

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Interval scaled data

- addition and subtraction are valid
- have arbitrary zero points
- represented by the (arithmetic) mean

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} x_k$$

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- Ratio scaled data
 - multiplication and division are valid
 - represented by the generalized mean

$$m_{\alpha}(X) = \sqrt[\alpha]{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} x_k^{\alpha}}$$

Data Type, Data Scale, Data value

Date Type, Data Scale and Data values are three different concepts

- Data Type:
 - Discrete Type
 - Order of collection does not matter
 - Sequential Type
 - One directional order of collection
 - Spatio-temporal Type
 - Multidimensional order of collection

These can be of any Data Scale

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 - Discrete (numerical or non-numerical)
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 - Interval -> Can be only numerical (also called quantitative)
 - Ordinal -> Can be categorical or Qualitative
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Abalone (sea snails) data

Name	Data	Meas.	Description
Sex Length Diameter Height Whole weight Shucked weight Viscera weight Shell weight	nominal continuous continuous continuous continuous continuous continuous continuous	mm mm grams grams grams grams	M, F, and I (infant) Longest shell measurement perpendicular to length with meat in shell whole abalone weight of meat gut weight (after bleeding) after being dried
Rings	integer		+1.5 gives the age in years

Census bureau database

age: continuous.

workclass: Private, Self-emp-not-inc, Self-emp-inc, Federal-gov, Local-gov, State-gov, Without-pay, Never-worked.

education: Bachelors, Some-college, 11th, HS-grad, Prof-school, Assoc-acdm, Assoc-voc, 9th, 7th-8th, 12th, Masters, 1st-4th, 10th, Doctorate,

5th-6th, Preschool.

education-num: continuous.

marital-status: Married-civ-spouse, Divorced, Never-married, Separated, Widowed, Married-spouse-absent, Married-AF-spouse.

occupation: Tech-support, Craft-repair, Other-service, Sales, Exec-managerial, Prof-specialty, Handlers-cleaners, Machine-op-inspct, Adm-

clerical, Farming-fishing, Transport-moving, Priv-house-serv, Protective-serv, Armed-Forces.

relationship: Wife, Own-child, Husband, Not-in-family, Other-relative, Unmarried.

race: White, Asian-Pac-Islander, Amer-Indian-Eskimo, Other, Black.

sex: Female, Male.

capital-gain: continuous. **capital-loss**: continuous.

hours-per-week: continuous.

native-country: United-States, Cambodia, England, Puerto-Rico, Canada, Germany, Outlying-US(Guam-USVI-etc), India, Japan, Greece, South, China, Cuba, Iran, Honduras, Philippines, Italy, Poland, Jamaica, Vietnam, Mexico, Portugal, Ireland, France, Dominican-Republic, Laos, Ecuador, Taiwan, Haiti, Columbia, Hungary, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Scotland, Thailand, Yugoslavia, El-Salvador, Trinadad&Tobago, Peru, Hong, Holand-Netherlands.

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Variables in ML

- The inputs go by different names, such as predictors, independent variables, features, or sometimes just variables and is typically denoted using the symbol X
- The output variable is often called the response or dependent variable, and is typically denoted using the symbol Y

Supervised Machine Learning

 Our goal in supervised machine learning is to extract a relationship from data (ordered pairs of (y,x))

The real relation is

$$y = f(x) + \epsilon$$

 ϵ is noise with zero mean.

What we get from learning from data is

$$\hat{y} = h(x)$$

Regression vs Classification

$$y = f(x) + \epsilon$$

- If y is in interval or ratio scale, then it is regression
- If y is in Nominal or ordinal (?) scale, then it is classification

Regression vs Classification

$$y = f(x) + \epsilon$$

 The task of <u>classification</u> differs from <u>regression</u> in that we assign a <u>discrete number</u> of classes (nominal scale or ordinal scale), instead of assigning it a <u>continuous value</u> (interval or ratio scale).

Data Set vs Matrix Representations

We can denote numerical feature data as a set

$$X = \{x_1, x_2, ..., x_n\} \in R^{p \times n}$$

- with n elements, where
- each element is a p-dimensional real-valued feature vector, where n and p are positive integers. For p = 1 we call X a scalar data set.

Data Set and Matrix Representations

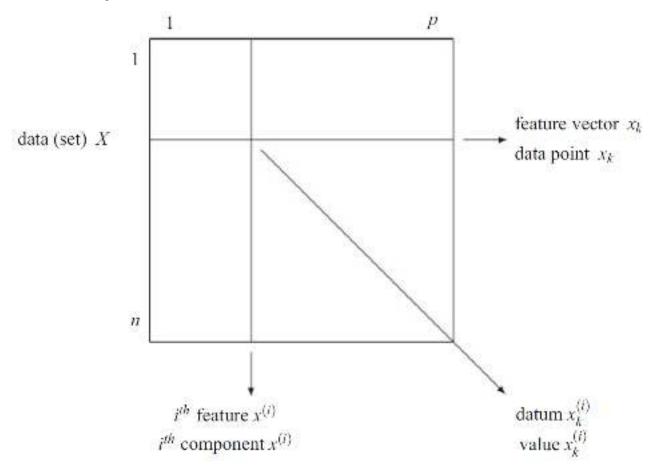
 As an alternative to the set representation, numerical feature data are also often represented as a matrix

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^{(1)} & \cdots & x_1^{(p)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_n^{(1)} & \cdots & x_n^{(p)} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Each row of the data matrix corresponds to an element of the data set. It is called <u>feature vector</u> or data point x_k , k = 1,..., n.
- Each column of the data matrix corresponds to one component of all elements of the data set. It is called i^{th} feature or i^{th} component $x^{(i)}$, i = 1, ..., p.
- A single matrix element is a component of an element of the data set. It is called *datum* or *value* $x_k^{(i)}$, k = 1,..., n; i = 1,..., p.

Data Set and Matrix Representations

Matrix representation of a data set



Data Relations

• Consider a set of (abstract categorical) elements, with no feature vector representation for the objects. $O = \{o_1, \dots, o_n\}$

 So conventional feature-based data analysis methods are not applicable. Instead, the relation of all pairs of objects can often be quantified and written as a square matrix

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & \cdots & r_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ r_{n1} & \cdots & r_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

Data Relations

- Each relation value r_{ij} , i; j = 1,..., n, may refer to a degree of similarity, dissimilarity, compatibility, incompatibility, proximity or distance between the pair of objects o_i and o_j .
- R may be symmetric, so $r_{ij} = r_{ji}$ for all i, j = 1,...,n.
- R may be manually defined or computed from features. If numerical features X are available, then R may be computed from X using an appropriate function $f: R^n \times R^n \rightarrow R$.