

CSC 5741

Lecture 5: Exploratory Data Analysis

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- **Mini Project progress**

- Data extraction and collection. You want to make sure you collect A LOT of data. Alternatively, set up pipelines that you could easily reuse.
- Any challenges you need help with?
 - OAI-PMH (NETD) group?
 - Zambian Advertisements?
 - YouTube group
 - WordPress posts group?

Implementation [8%]

30%: Data collection
30%: Code/scripts works correctly
20%: Novelty of key insights provided
10%: Relevance of implementation
10%: Demonstration

Presentation [4%]

20%: Contents of presentation
20%: Quality of presentation
20%: Visualisations
20%: Comprehensiveness of presentation
20%: Response to questions

Technical Report [8%]

10%: Abstract
10%: Aim/Problem Formulation and Background Work
10%: Implementation
10%: Dataset Description

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Lecture Series Outline

- **Part I: Industry Talk**
- **Part III: Exploratory Data Analysis**

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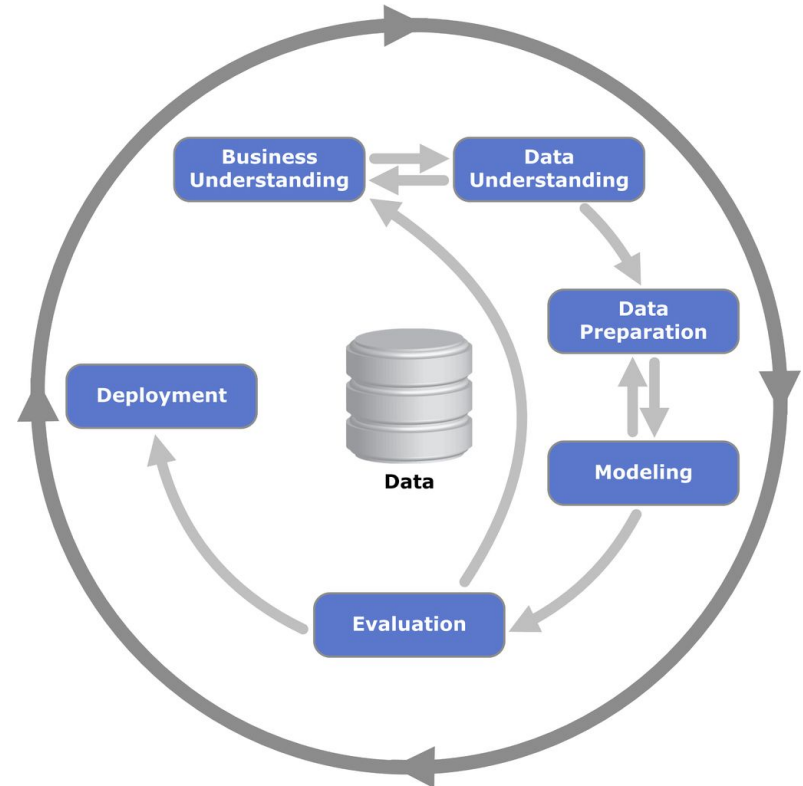
- **Part I: Academic Talk**
 - Andrey Kumwenda, Customer Data Mining and Analysis Specialist , MTN Zambia
 - Title: “Data, The Lifeblood and Differentiator In Telecommunications”
- **Part III: Exploratory Data Analysis**

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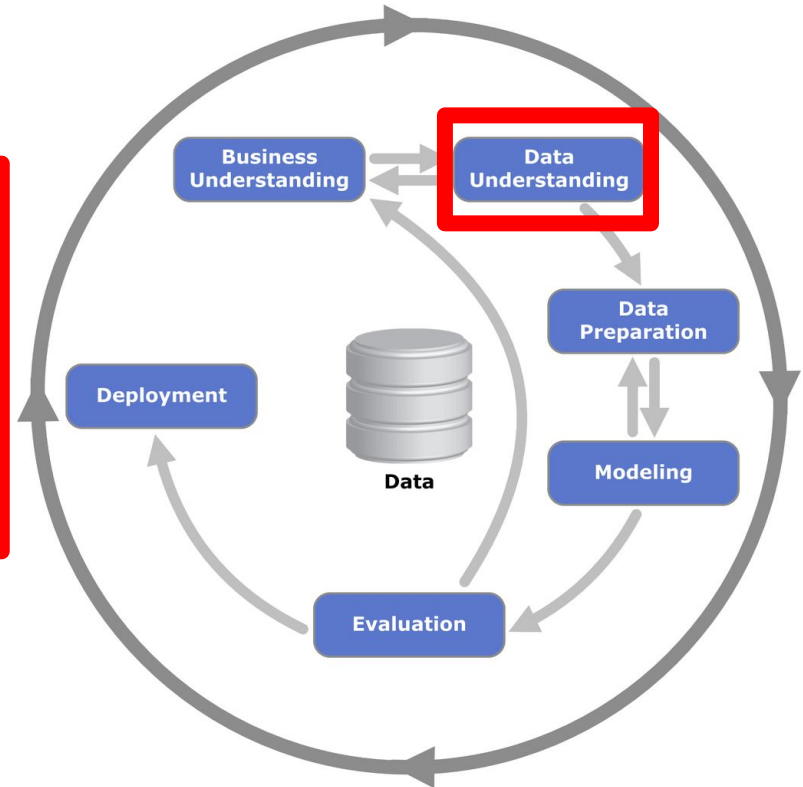
Introduction (1/2)

- The Cross-industry standard process for data mining (CRISP-DM) is a model commonly used to highlight approaches in data mining
 - CRISP-DM segments a data mining project into six phases with no strict order of execution
 - Surveys conducted suggest CRISP-DM is the most widely used methodology



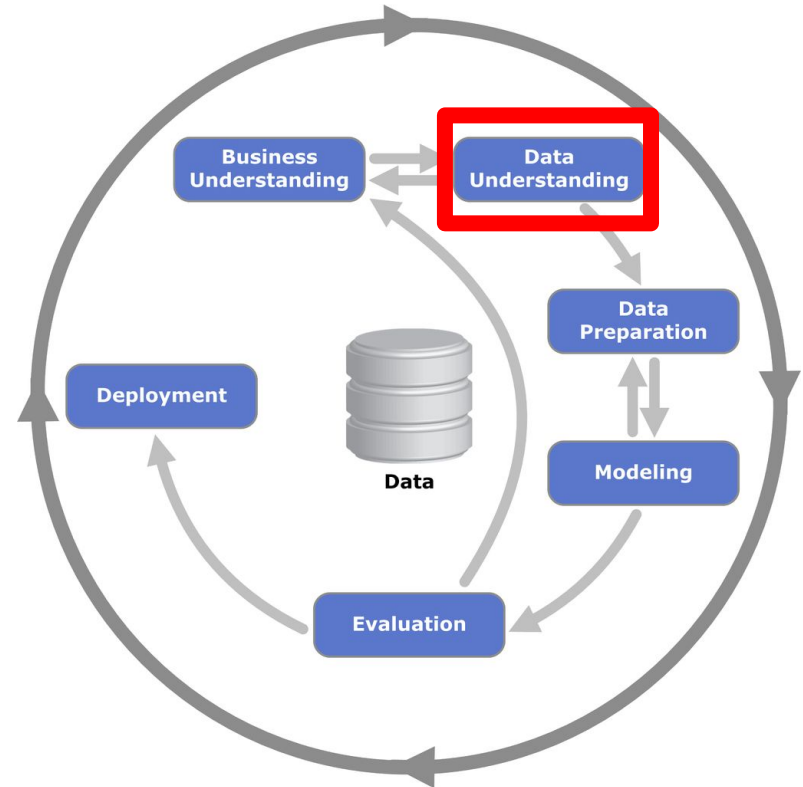
Introduction (2/2)

- Identify data sources
- Extract/collect required data
- Described and explore the data collected to gain some sense of what insights to derive
- Ascertain quality of data collected



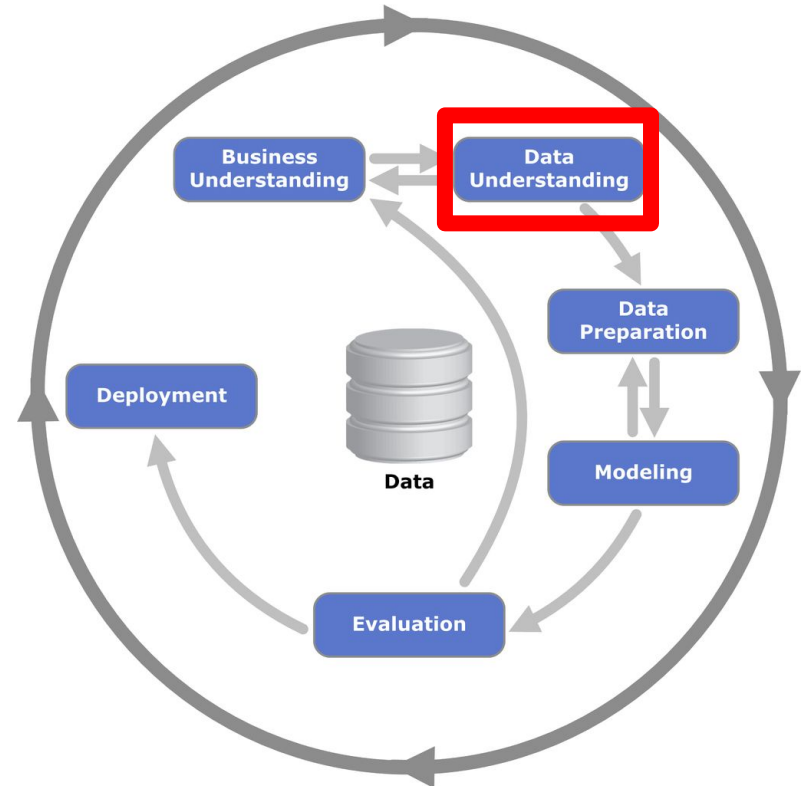
Exploratory Data Analysis (1/6)

- The purpose of this EDA is to find insights from datasets and/or data sources
 - Instrumental for setting the stage for data cleaning and transformation—output subsequently fed to machine learning algorithms.
 - Standard practice:
Data Understanding -> Data Preparation



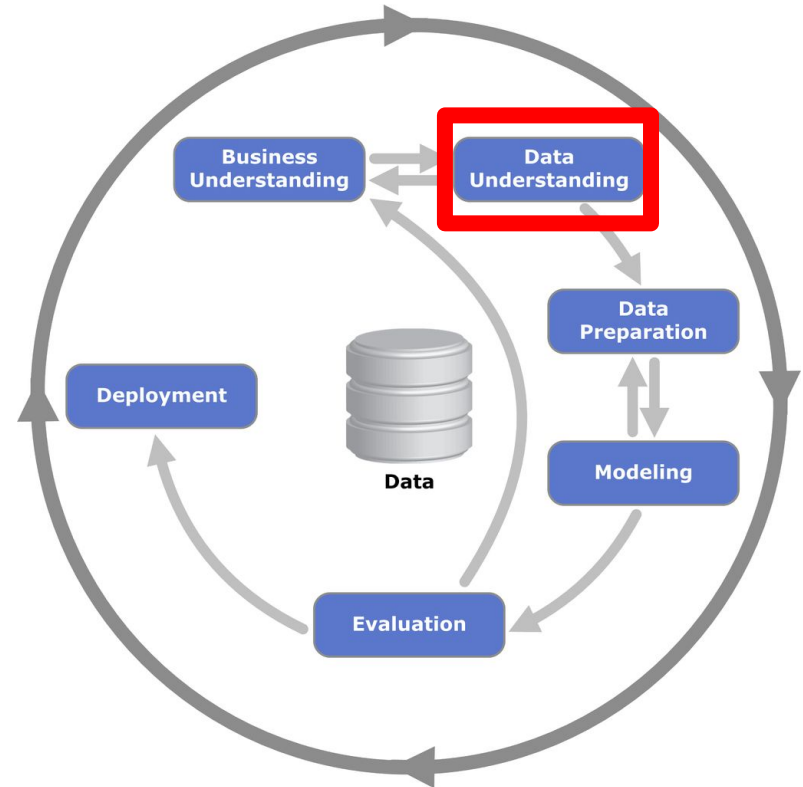
Exploratory Data Analysis (2/6)

- Various techniques are employed during EDA in order to achieve the following broad objectives:
 - Gain comprehensive insight of datasets
 - Identify important data characteristics
 - Identify outliers and anomalies
 - Determine correlations of various data characteristics



Exploratory Data Analysis (3/6)

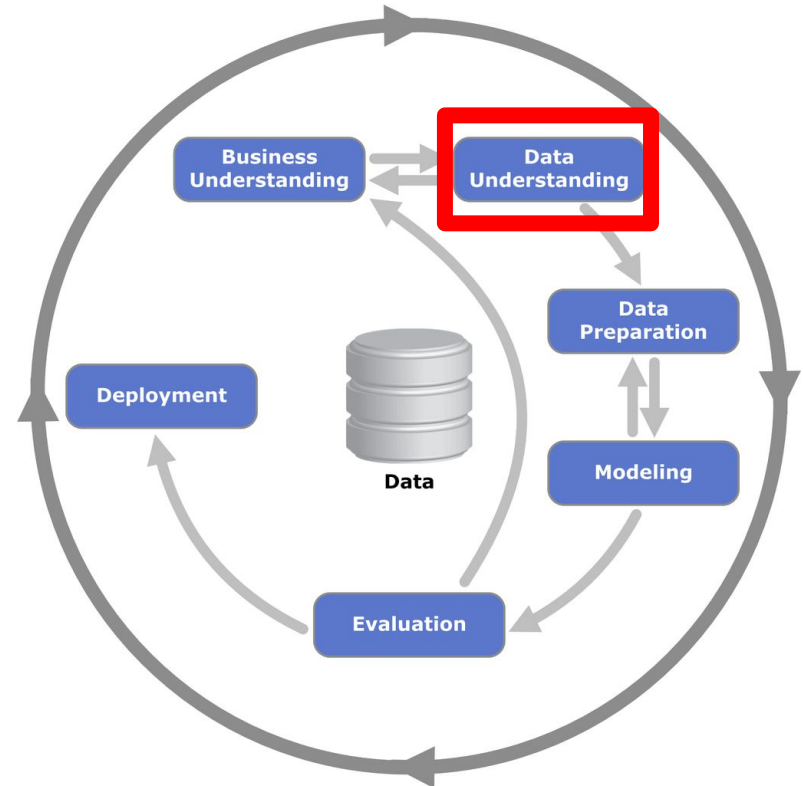
- **Outcome of EDA**
 - Important data attributes
 - Determine attribute characteristics—type of attribute, distribution and statistics (min, mode, median, mean)
 - Understand relationships between the different variables
 - DoB vs Age
 - List of outliers



Exploratory Data Analysis (4/6)

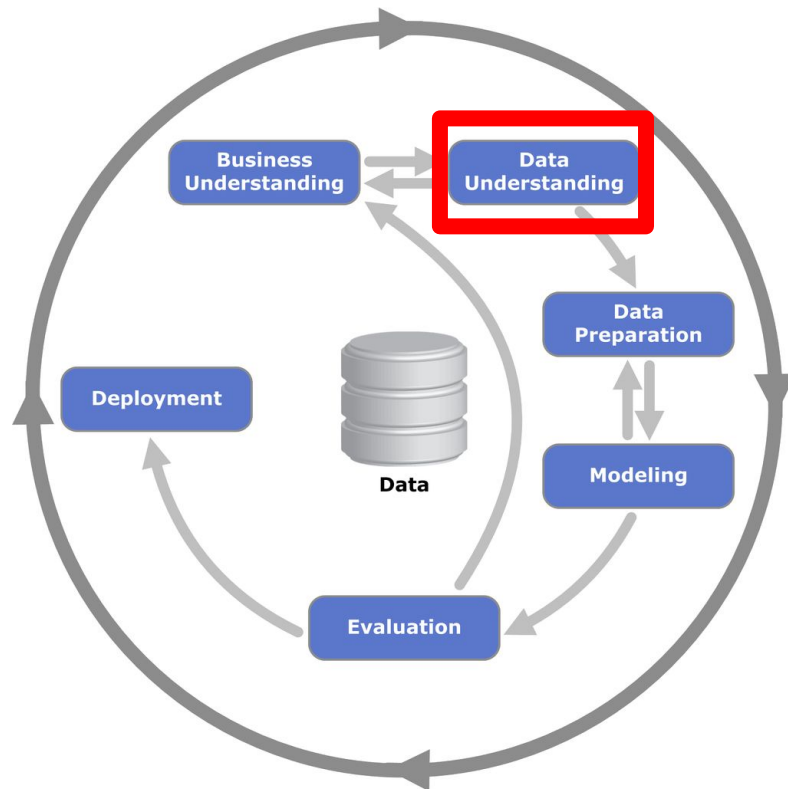
- Leading questions asked during EDA process

- What are the different types of data attributes (categorical, continuous, ordinal)?
- How is the data distributed (normal vs non-normal)?
- Is there a correlation between data attributes and outcome?
- What are the most important data attributes?



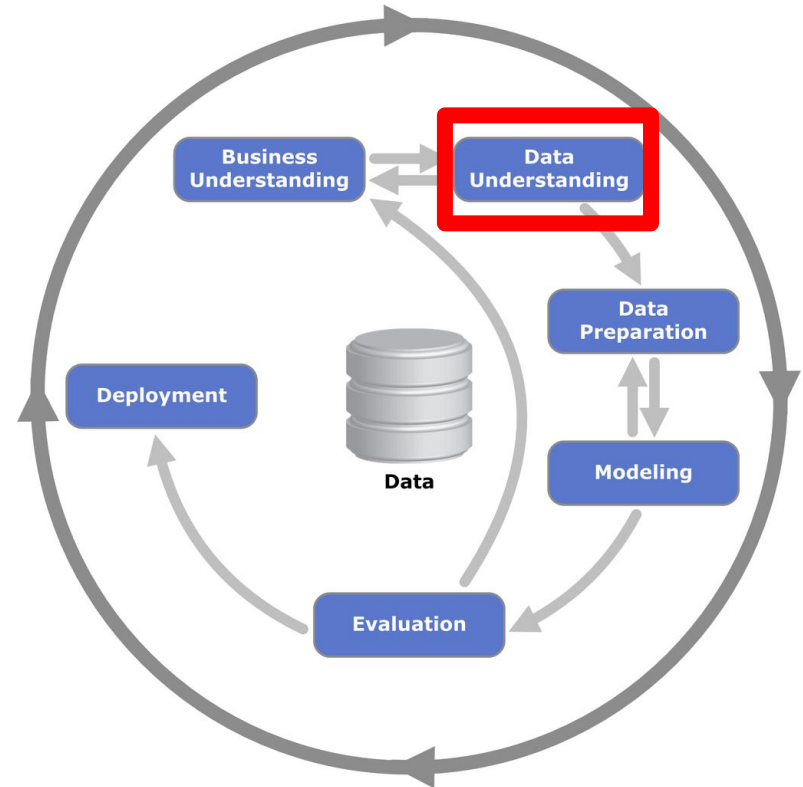
Exploratory Data Analysis (5/6)

- **Leading questions asked during EDA process**
 - What must be done to data attributes with missing values?
 - Do datasets have outliers?



Exploratory Data Analysis (6/6)

- A graphical approach to EDA is generally effective, although summary tables could also be used
 - Bar plots for categorical variables and aggregate data
 - Line plots for continuous variables
 - Histograms for continuous variables



Q & A Session

- Comments, concerns and complaints?

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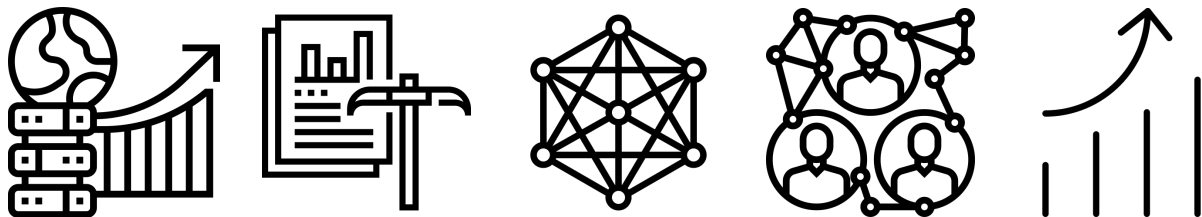
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