# **Data Mining**

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# **Overview & Objectives**

- Introduction to data mining and the KDD process.
- Examination of core techniques:
  - Classification
  - Clustering
  - Association Rule Mining (Apriori & FP-Growth)
  - Regression
  - Anomaly Detection
- Discussion of evaluation metrics, software tools, and ethical considerations.

#### **Learning Objectives**

- Define data mining and its significance in extracting actionable insights.
- Master the underlying mathematics behind advanced data mining techniques.
- Analyze and implement real-world computer science applications using rigorous evaluation metrics.

# What is Data Mining?

#### **Definition:**

• The process of discovering hidden patterns, trends, and relationships in large datasets using mathematical models and algorithms.

#### **Key Elements:**

- Data: The raw material (structured or unstructured).
- Algorithms: Mathematical models used to extract insights.
- Domain Knowledge: Expertise required for proper interpretation.

### Data Mining vs. Related Fields

#### **Data Mining vs. Machine Learning:**

 Focuses on pattern discovery using measures like entropy, information gain, and the Gini index:

$$Gini(S) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^2$$

#### **Data Mining vs. Data Analytics:**

Data Analytics is hypothesis-driven, while data mining is exploratory.

#### The KDD Process: Data Collection

#### • Data Collection:

 Gather data from diverse sources such as databases, sensors, public datasets, or web scraping.

# The KDD Process: Data Preprocessing

- Data Preprocessing:
  - Clean and transform data.
  - Example: Normalization

$$x' = rac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

#### The KDD Process: Data Exploration

#### • Data Exploration:

 Perform statistical analysis and visualization to understand data distributions and identify trends.

#### The KDD Process: Data Mining

- Data Mining:
  - Apply advanced algorithms to extract patterns from the processed data.

# The KDD Process: Evaluation & Deployment

#### • Evaluation:

Assess models using quantitative metrics.

#### • Deployment:

Integrate insights into real-world decision-making.

# Data Collection & Preprocessing: Data Collection

#### • Sources:

Databases, sensors, public datasets, web scraping.

# **Data Collection & Preprocessing: Cleaning**

- Cleaning Techniques:
  - Remove noise and handle missing values.
  - Example: Z-score

$$z = rac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

# Data Collection & Preprocessing: Transformation

- Transformation Techniques:
  - Normalize data using min-max scaling:

$$x' = rac{x - x_{\min}}{x_{\max} - x_{\min}}$$

# **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)**

#### Purpose:

Understand distributions, identify trends, and detect outliers.

#### Techniques:

- Statistical summaries (Mean, Variance, Standard Deviation).
- Visualizations (Histograms, Scatter Plots, Box Plots).
- Correlation Coefficient:

$$r=rac{\sum (x_i-ar{x})(y_i-ar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum (x_i-ar{x})^2\sum (y_i-ar{y})^2}}$$

# **Classification Techniques: Overview**

#### • Objective:

Assign data points to predefined categories.

#### • Common Methods:

Decision Trees, Logistic Regression, k-Nearest Neighbors.

# **Classification: Decision Trees (Entropy)**

• Entropy Formula:

$$Entropy(S) = -\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \log_2(p_i)$$

# Classification: Decision Trees (Gini Index)

• Gini Index Formula:

$$Gini(S) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^2$$

# **Classification: Logistic Regression**

• Logistic Regression Model:

$$P(y=1|x)=rac{1}{1+e^{-(eta_0+eta_1x_1+\cdots+eta_nx_n)}}$$

#### Classification: k-Nearest Neighbors

• Euclidean Distance:

$$d(x,y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i)^2}$$

# **Clustering Techniques: Overview**

- Objective:
  - Group similar data points without predefined labels.
- Common Method:
  - k-Means Clustering.

# Clustering: k-Means (Centroid Calculation)

• Centroid Calculation:

$$\mu_j = rac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x_i \in C_j} x_i$$

# Clustering: k-Means (Euclidean Distance)

• Euclidean Distance:

$$d(x_i,\mu_j) = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^n (x_{ik}-\mu_{jk})^2}$$

# **Association Rule Mining: Overview**

- Objective:
  - o Discover relationships among items (market basket analysis).

# **Association Rule Mining: Support**

• Support Formula:

$$Support(X) = rac{ ext{Number of transactions containing } X}{N}$$

# **Association Rule Mining: Confidence**

• Confidence Formula:

$$Confidence(X 
ightarrow Y) = rac{Support(X \cup Y)}{Support(X)}$$

# **Association Rule Mining: Lift**

• Lift Formula:

$$Lift(X 
ightarrow Y) = rac{Support(X \cup Y)}{Support(X) imes Support(Y)}$$

#### **Association Rule Mining: Additional Measures**

• Leverage:

$$Leverage = Support(X \cup Y) - Support(X) \times Support(Y)$$

Conviction:

$$Conviction = rac{1 - Support(Y)}{1 - Confidence(X 
ightarrow Y)}$$

# **Apriori Algorithm: Candidate Generation**

Candidate Generation Formula:

$$C_k = \{X \cup Y \mid X, Y \in L_{k-1}, \ |X \cap Y| = k-2\}$$

# **Apriori Algorithm: Pruning**

• Pruning Condition:

$$L_k = \{X \in C_k \mid \text{all } (k-1)\text{-subsets of } X \text{ are in } L_{k-1}\}$$

# FP-Growth Algorithm: FP-Tree & Conditional Pattern Base

Conditional Pattern Base:

 $\{(\beta, \text{count}) \mid \beta \text{ is a prefix path in the FP-tree for a given prefix } \alpha\}$ 

### FP-Growth Algorithm: Frequent Pattern Extraction

• Frequent Pattern Extraction:

$$\operatorname{FPGrowth}(T_lpha) = \{lpha \cup eta \mid eta \in \operatorname{FPGrowth}(T_lpha)\}$$

# Regression Techniques: Linear Regression

• Linear Regression Model:

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \cdots + \beta_n x_n + \epsilon$$

### **Regression: Evaluation Metrics**

• Residual Sum of Squares (RSS):

$$RSS = \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

• Coefficient of Determination ( $\mathbb{R}^2$ ):

$$R^2 = 1 - rac{RSS}{TSS}, \quad TSS = \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - ar{y})^2$$

#### **Anomaly Detection: Mahalanobis Distance**

• Mahalanobis Distance:

$$D_M(x) = \sqrt{(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu)}$$

#### **Evaluation Metrics: Classification**

• Precision:

$$Precision = rac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

• Recall:

$$Recall = rac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

• F1 Score:

$$F1 = 2 imes rac{Precision imes Recall}{Precision + Recall}$$

# **Evaluation Metrics: Clustering & Statistical Tests**

• Silhouette Score:

$$s = rac{b-a}{\max(a,b)}$$

• Chi-Square Test:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$$

### **Tools & Software for Data Mining**

#### **Popular Platforms:**

- Python (scikit-learn, Pandas, NumPy)
- R (caret, dplyr, ggplot2)
- Weka (GUI-based tool)
- RapidMiner & Orange (Visual interfaces)

# Real-World Applications of Data Mining

#### **Industries & Applications:**

- Marketing: Customer segmentation and recommendation systems.
- Finance: Fraud detection and risk analysis.
- Healthcare: Diagnostic support and personalized treatment planning.
- E-commerce: Product recommendations and sentiment analysis.

### **Challenges and Ethical Considerations**

#### **Challenges:**

- Handling high-dimensional data (the curse of dimensionality).
- Scalability and computational efficiency (e.g.,  $O(n \cdot k \cdot t)$  for k-means).
- Data quality issues such as noise and missing values.

#### **Ethical Considerations:**

Privacy, bias, and transparency.

# Case Study: Market Basket Analysis Using Association Rule Mining

#### **Project Example:**

Market Basket Analysis in a Large Supermarket Chain

#### Dataset:

- Instacart Online Grocery Shopping Dataset
  - Over 3 million orders, 200,000+ unique products, 200,000+ customers.
  - Key columns: order\_id, user\_id, product\_id, add\_to\_cart\_order, reordered, order\_dow, order\_hour\_of\_day, etc.

# Case Study: Data Collection & Preprocessing

#### Phases:

#### 1. Data Collection:

Obtain the extensive Instacart dataset covering millions of transactions.

#### 2. Preprocessing:

Clean the dataset by removing duplicates and standardizing product codes.

# Case Study: Mining Techniques - Apriori

#### **Mining Using Apriori:**

Generate candidate itemsets:

$$C_k = \{X \cup Y \mid X, Y \in L_{k-1}, \; |X \cap Y| = k-2\}$$

ullet Prune candidates by ensuring every (k-1)-subset is frequent.

### Case Study: Mining Techniques - FP-Growth

#### Mining Using FP-Growth:

- Build an FP-tree to represent the dataset compactly.
- Extract the conditional pattern base:

 $\{(\beta, \text{count}) \mid \beta \text{ is a prefix path in the FP-tree for a given prefix } \alpha\}$ 

• Recursively extract frequent patterns:

$$\operatorname{FPGrowth}(T_{\alpha}) = \{ \alpha \cup \beta \mid \beta \in \operatorname{FPGrowth}(T_{\alpha}) \}$$

# **Case Study: Evaluation & Deployment**

#### **Evaluation:**

- Compute Support, Confidence, Lift, Leverage, and Conviction for each rule.
- Identify high-value rules (e.g.,  $Support(Bread \rightarrow Butter) = 0.15$ , Confidence = 0.50, Lift = 2.5).

#### **Deployment:**

• Use the mined rules to optimize store layouts, personalize promotions, and improve inventory management.

#### **Summary & Key Takeaways**

#### Recap:

- Definition and significance of data mining.
- The complete KDD process: data collection, preprocessing, exploration, mining, evaluation, and deployment.
- Core techniques: classification, clustering, and advanced association rule mining (with detailed math for Apriori and FP-Growth), regression, and anomaly detection.
- Advanced mathematical concepts: Gini index, Information Gain Ratio, Mahalanobis distance, Chi-Square test, candidate generation formulas, and conditional pattern base extraction.

#### **Questions & Discussion**

#### **Discussion Prompts:**

- Which mathematical technique do you find most applicable to real-world computer science problems?
- What challenges do you foresee when working with large-scale datasets like Instacart's?
- How can we balance technical innovation with ethical considerations in data mining?

#### **Thank You**

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Questions & Comments Welcome