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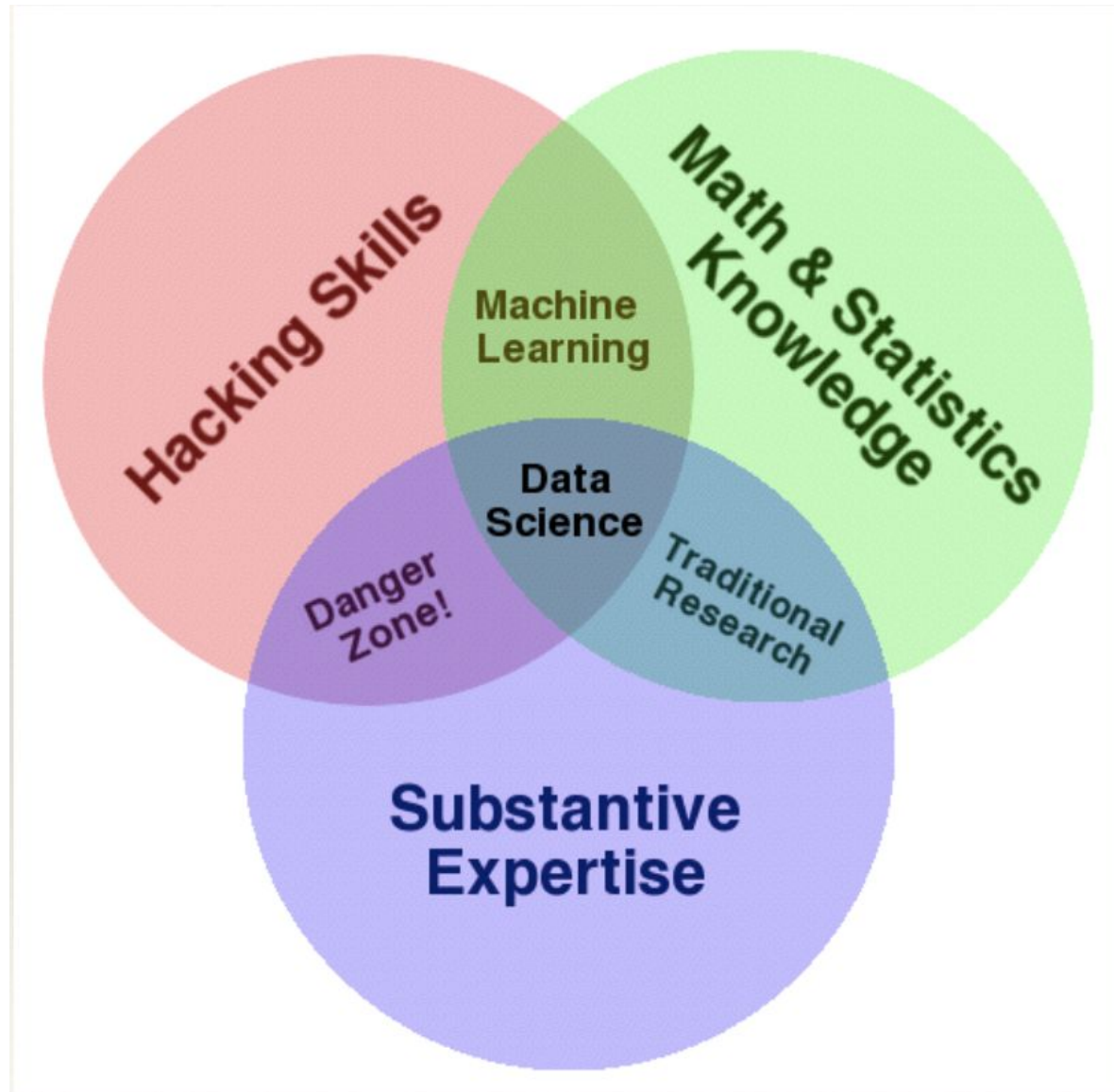
# What is Data Science?

- “A data scientist... excels at analyzing data, particularly large amounts of data, to help a business gain a competitive edge.”
- “The analysis of data using the scientific method”
- “A data scientist is an individual, organization or application that performs statistical analysis, data mining and retrieval processes on a large amount of data to identify trends, figures and other relevant information.”

# Understanding through Data

Competition Name	Reward	Teams	Deadline
 <b>limited</b> <b>15.071x - The Analytics Edge Competition (Spring 2015)</b> Test your analytics skills by predicting which New York Times blog articles will be the most popular.	Private	528	18 days
 <b>Forest Cover Type Prediction</b> Use cartographic variables to classify forest categories	Knowledge	1572	25 days
 <b>Insert (noun?) here?</b> <b>Billion Word Imputation</b> Find and impute missing words in the billion word corpus	Knowledge	78	15 days
 <b>Bike Sharing Demand</b> Forecast use of a city bikeshare system	Knowledge	2687	43 days
 <b>Random Acts of Pizza</b> Predicting altruism through free pizza	Knowledge	384	46 days

# What's a Data Scientist



# How do you become a data scientist?

## Practice

- [Kaggle](#) - online datascience competitions
- [Driven Data](#) - social good datascience competitions
- [Innocentive](#) - some datascience challenges
- [CrowdAnalytix](#) - business datascience competitions
- [TunedIt](#) - scientific/industrial datascience challenges
- Your individual and group exercises in this course...

# Should you become a data scientist?

- Not necessarily. There are lots of data science students desperate for good problems to work on.
- You might want to become someone who can work **with** data scientists
- Which means learning how to specify data problems well

# Data Science Lab Format

- Single topic
- Learn 4-6 concepts
- Try apps/ code related to that topic
- No prerequisites
- Will learn basics of Python, R and data tools

# You need to:

- Download and install required tools
  - We'll give you instructions
  - We can help!
- Do some (light) background reading
- Be playful with data, and have fun!



# The Labs

1. Python basics
2. Acquiring data
3. Communicating results
4. Cleaning and exploring data
5. Predicting values from data
6. Handling text data
7. Handling geospatial data
8. Learning relationships from data
9. Working with data science teams
10. Enterprise data tools
11. Learning classes from data
12. Handling big data

# The Lab Themes

## People

- Working with data science teams
- Communicating results

## Tools

- Python basics
- Enterprise data tools

## Getting Data

- Acquiring data
- Cleaning and exploring data

## Special data types

- Handling text data
- Handling geospatial data
- Handling big data

## Learning from data

- Predicting values from data
- Learning relationships from data
- Learning classes from data

# The tools

- Coding (Python, R)
- Scrapers and cleaners (Tabula, OpenRefine)
- Visualisation (Tableau, D3)
- GIS (QGIS, CartoDb)
- Big data (Hadoop)

# The gory details: Process

- Ask an interesting question
- Get the data
- Explore the data
- Model the data
- <sanity-check the data, in context>
- Communicate and visualize the data

# Coding

worst	-3
worth	2
worthless	-2
worthy	2
wow	4
wowow	4
wowww	4
wrathful	-3
wreck	-2
wrong	-2
wronged	-2
wtf	-4
yeah	1
yearning	1
yees	2
yes	1
youthful	2
yucky	-2
yummy	3
zealot	-2
zealots	-2
zealous	2

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```
def getsentiments(fpsent, fptweet):  
  
    #convert sentiment file to dictionary  
    sents = getscores(fpsent)  
  
    #Readlines returns a list of strings...  
    tweettext = []  
    for line in fptweet.readlines():  
        jline = json.loads(line)  
        if jline.has_key("text"):  
            #tweettext.append(jline["text"])  
            words = jline["text"].split()  
            score = 0  
            for word in words:  
                if sents.has_key(word):  
                    score += sents[word]  
            print(float(score))  
  
    return(tweettext)
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# Acquiring data

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**Table 01: Population Distribution of Dodoma Region by District, Ward and Village/Mtaa; 2012 PHC**

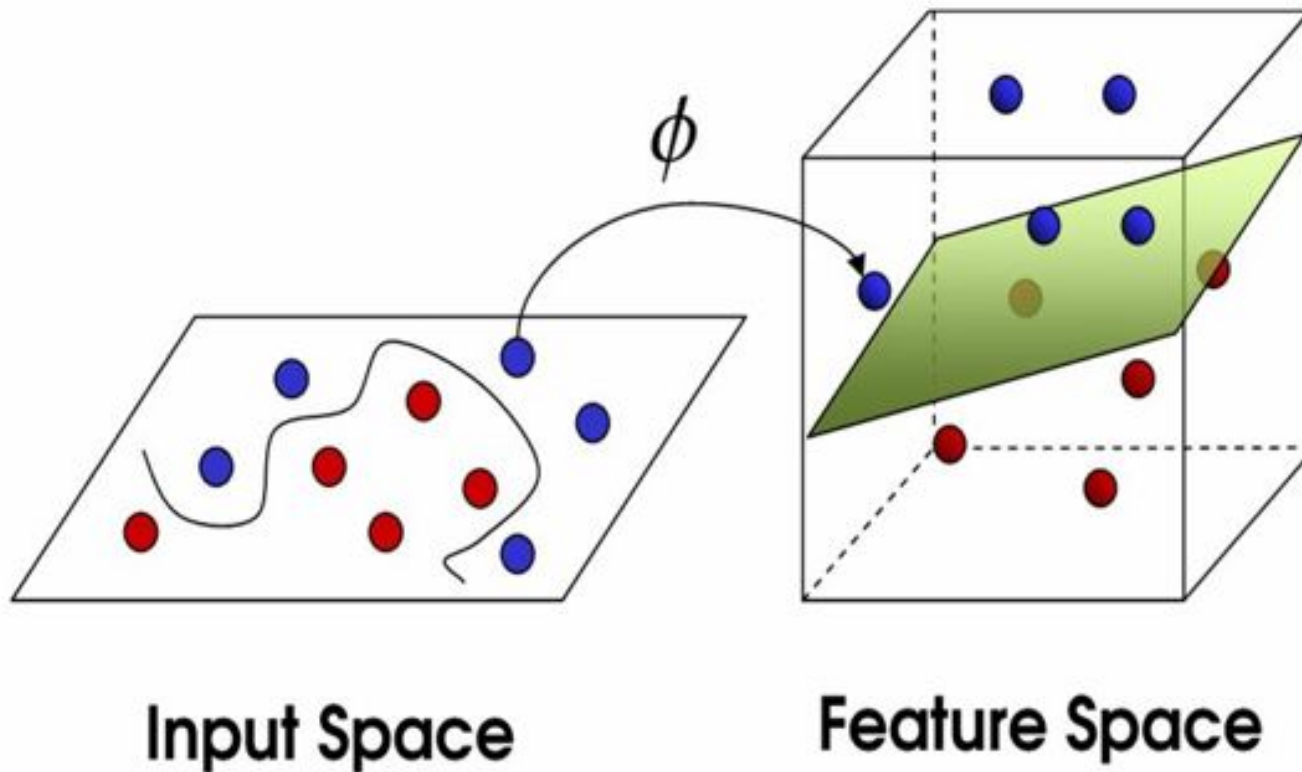
District/Council	Ward Village/Mtaa	Total Population
<b>Dodoma Region</b>		<b>2,083,588</b>
<b>Kondoa District</b>		<b>269,704</b>
	<b>Bumbuta Ward</b>	<b>8,602</b>
	Bumbuta	3,113
	Mahongo	1,218
	Mauno	4,270
	<b>Pahi Ward</b>	<b>13,944</b>
	Pahi	6,169
	Potea	2,402
	Salare	1,614
	Kiteo	3,759
	<b>Busi Ward</b>	<b>18,724</b>
	Busi	3,036

# Cleaning and Exploring

census	Arusha	Arusha	Daraja 2
shapefile	Arusha	Arusha Urban	Daraja Mbili
shapefile	Arusha	Ngorongoro	Endulen
census	Arusha	Ngorongoro	Enduleni
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census	Arusha	Longido	Gelai Lumbwa
census	Arusha	Longido	Ketumbeine
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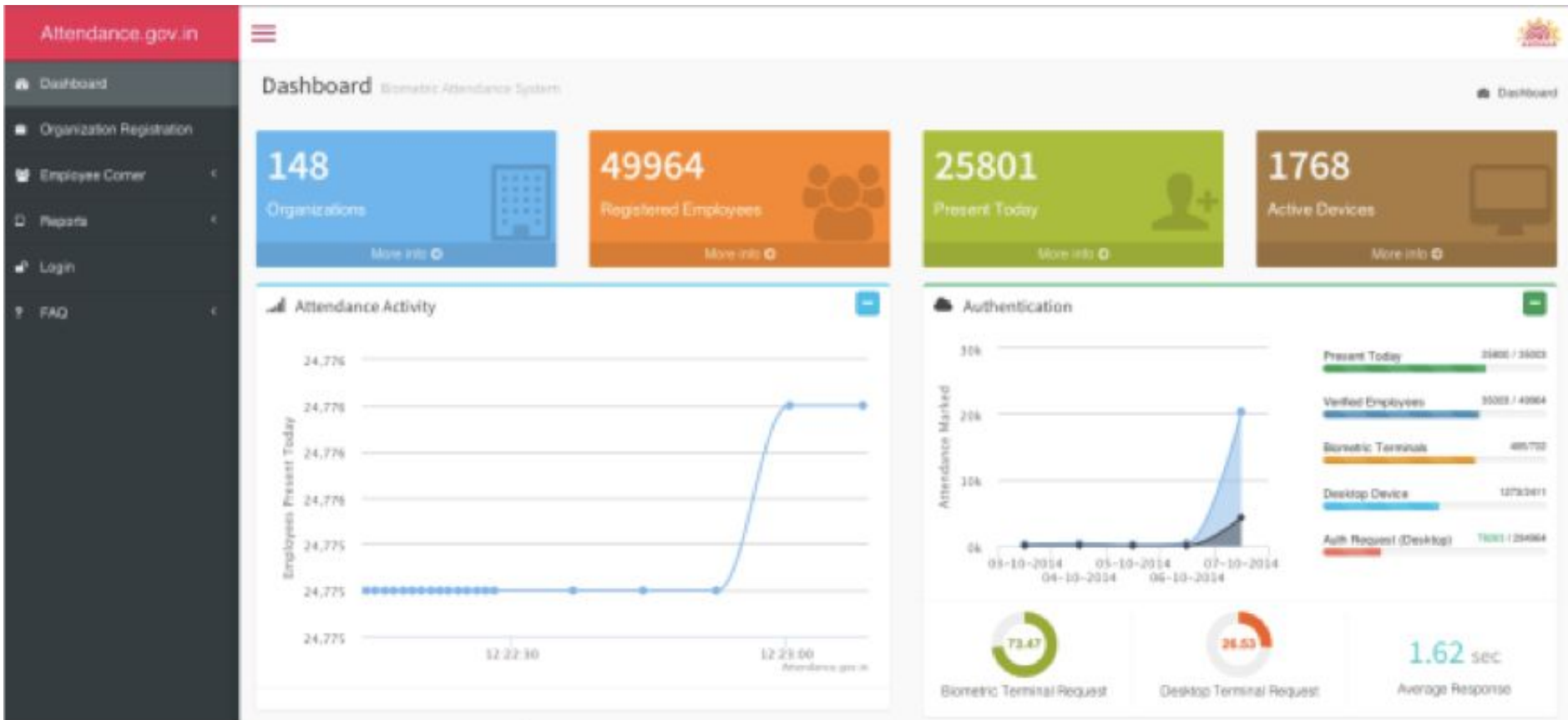
# Modelling and Learning

## Principle of Support Vector Machines (SVM)



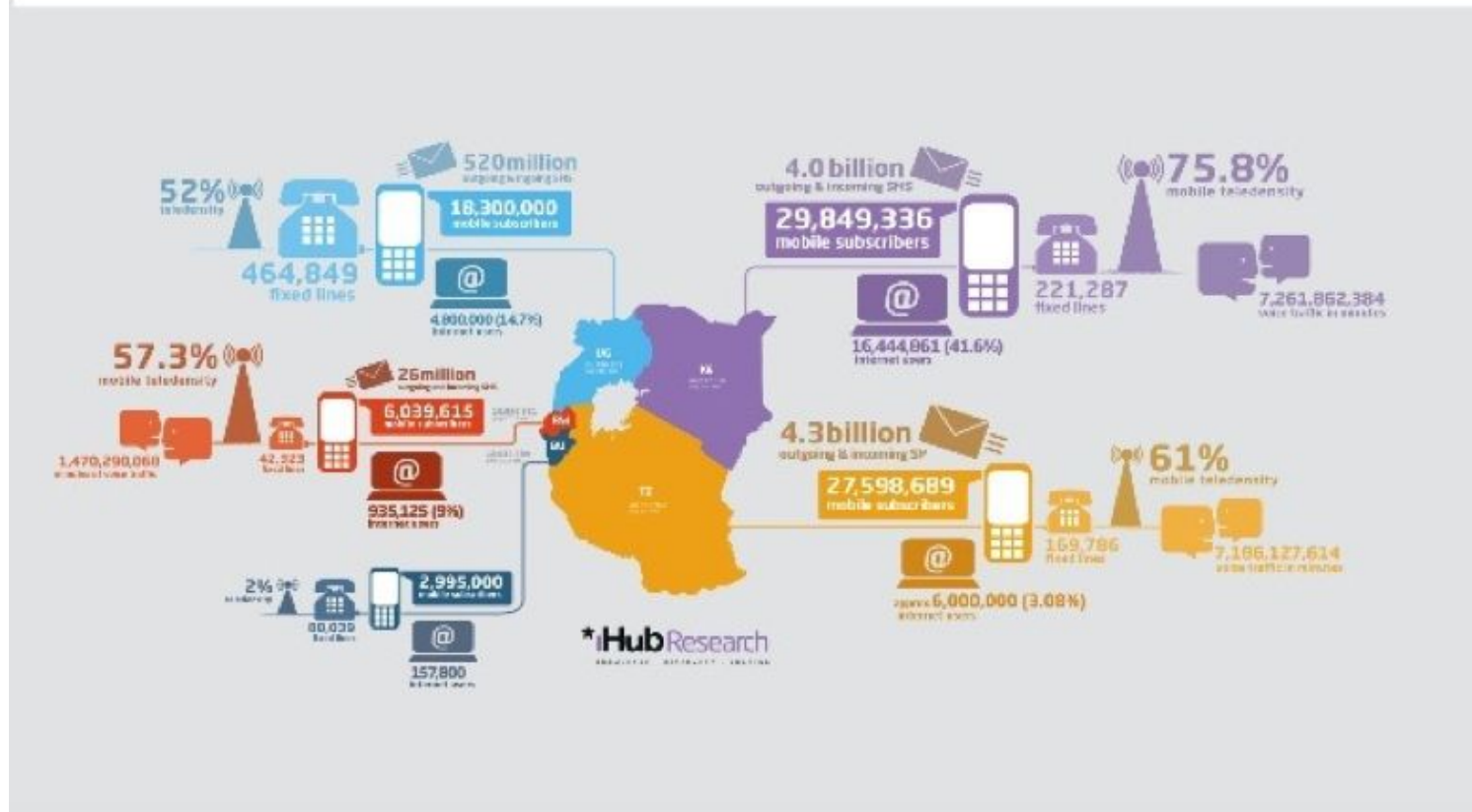


# Communicating results



# Big Data

## Mobile Stats in East Africa



## Summary

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<sup>27</sup> Of course, in this design, we cannot rule out the possibility that the

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# What We're Aiming For

Ask good questions;  
Tell good stories

# What you need to do by next week:

Install tools:

- Courseworks folder: Pre-lab instructions
- File: InstallingEverything-READMEFIRST.pdf