

# **Data Collection**

——Decision and Future Challenge—

"Data Mining: Methods and Applications"

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# How to Decide which Data Collection Techniques to Use When



- For one specific application scenario, data collection can be conducted.
- Key Point 1: It is not always easy to determine if there is enough data and labels.
- Key Point 2: How the labeling techniques tradeoff accuracy and scalability.

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# **Interesting Future Research Challenge**



- Data Evaluation: how to evaluate whether the right data was collected with sufficient quantity.
- Performance Tradeoff: While traditional labeling techniques focus on accuracy, there is a recent push towards generating large amounts of weak labels. We need to better understand the tradeoffs of accuracy versus scalability to make informed decisions on which approach to use when.
- Crowdsourcing: Despite the many efforts in crowdsourcing, leveraging humans is still a non-trivial task
- Empirical comparison of techniques: Although we showed a flowchart on when to use which techniques, it is far from complete, as many factors are application-specific and can only be determined by looking at the data and application.
- Generalizing and integrating techniques: We observed that many data collection techniques were application or data type specific and were often small parts of a larger research.

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