

Chapter 2: Data Preprocessing

- **Preprocess Steps**
 - Data cleaning
 - Data integration and transformation
 - Data reduction

Why Data Preprocessing?

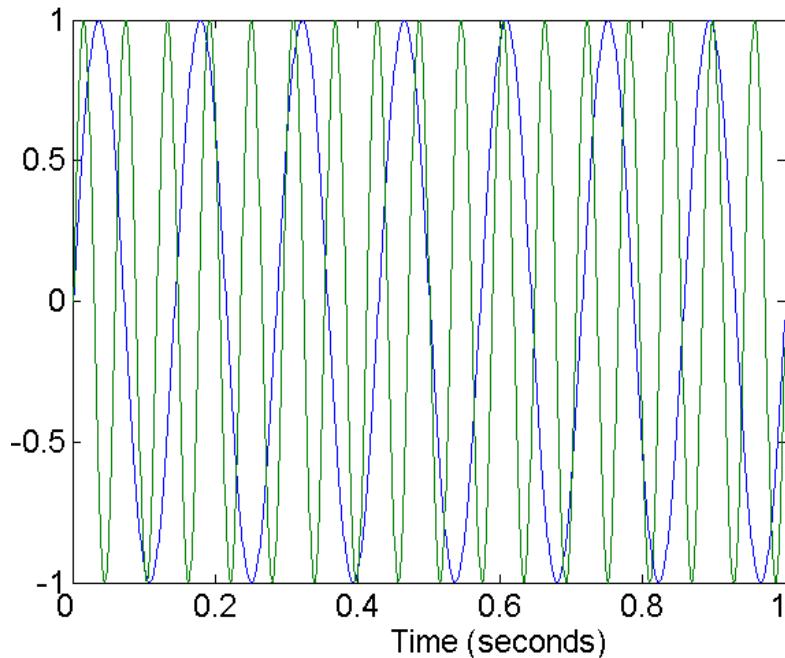
- Data in the real world is dirty
 - **incomplete**: lacking attribute values, lacking certain attributes of interest, or containing only aggregate data
 - **noisy**: containing errors or outliers
 - **inconsistent**: containing discrepancies in codes or names
- No quality data, no quality mining results!
 - Quality decisions must be based on quality data
 - Data warehouse needs consistent integration of quality data

Data Quality

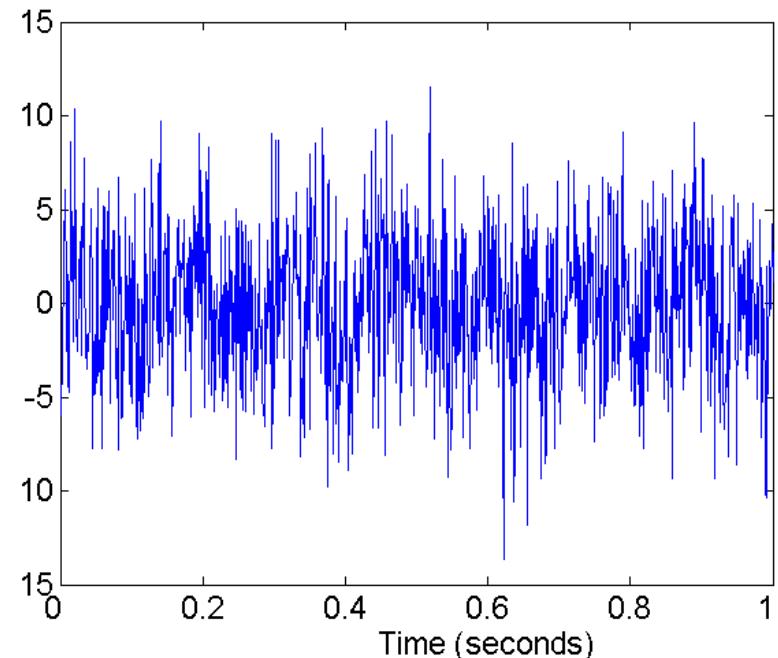
- What kinds of data quality problems?
- How can we detect problems with the data?
- What can we do about these problems?
- Examples of data quality problems:
 - Noise and outliers
 - missing values
 - duplicate data

Noise

- Noise refers to modification of original values
 - Examples: distortion of a person's voice when



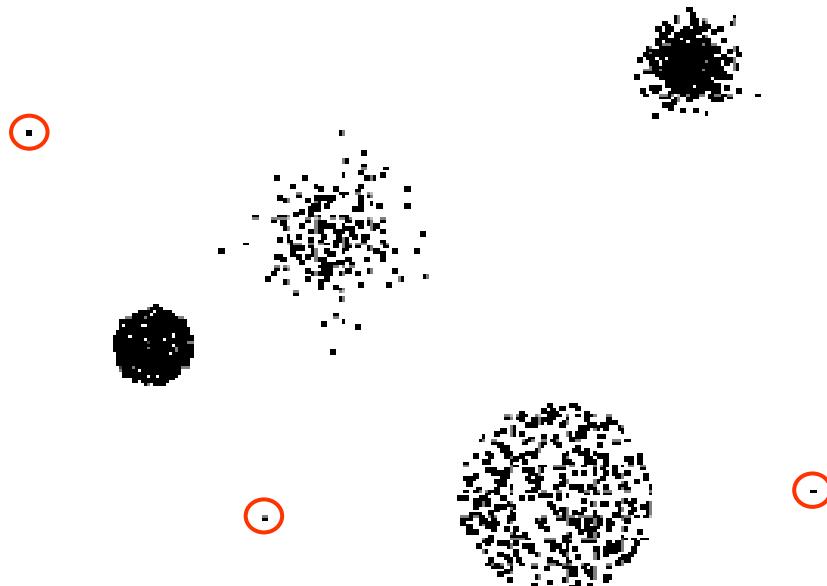
Two Sine Waves



Two Sine Waves + Noise

Outliers

- Outliers are data objects with characteristics that are considerably different than most of the data set



Missing Values

- Reasons for missing values
 - Information is not collected
(e.g., people decline to give their age and weight)
 - Attributes may not be applicable to all cases
(e.g., annual income is not applicable to children)
- Handling missing values
 - Eliminate Data Objects
 - Estimate Missing Values
 - Ignore the Missing Value During Analysis
 - Replace with all possible values (weighted by their probabilities)

Duplicate Data

- Data set may include data objects that are duplicates, or almost duplicates of one another
 - Major issue when merging data from heterogeneous sources
- Examples:
 - Same person with multiple email addresses
- Data cleaning
 - Process of dealing with duplicate data issues

Multi-Dimensional Measure of Data Quality

- A well-accepted multidimensional view:
 - Accuracy
 - Completeness
 - Consistency
 - Timeliness
 - Believability
 - Value added
 - Interpretability
 - Accessibility

Major Tasks in Data Preprocessing

- Data cleaning
 - Fill in missing values, smooth noisy data, identify or remove outliers, and resolve inconsistencies
- Data integration
 - Integration of multiple databases, data cubes, or files
- Data transformation
 - Normalization and aggregation
- Data reduction
 - Obtains reduced representation in volume but produces the same or similar analytical results

Data Cleaning

- Data cleaning tasks
 - Fill in missing values
 - Identify outliers and smooth out noisy data
 - Correct inconsistent data

Missing Data

- Data is not always available
 - E.g., many tuples have no recorded value for several attributes, such as customer income in sales data
- Missing data may be due to
 - equipment malfunction
 - inconsistent with other recorded data and thus deleted
 - data not entered due to misunderstanding
 - certain data may not be considered important at the time of entry
 - not register history or changes of the data
- Missing data may need to be inferred.

How to Handle Missing Data?

- **Ignore the tuple**: usually done when class label is missing (assuming the tasks in **classification—not** effective when the percentage of missing values per attribute varies considerably.)
- **Fill in the missing value manually**: tedious + infeasible?
- Use a global constant to fill in the missing value: e.g., “unknown”, a new class?!
- Use the attribute mean to fill in the missing value
- Use the attribute mean for all samples belonging to the same class to fill in the missing value: smarter
- Use the most probable value to fill in the missing value: inference-based such as Bayesian formula or decision tree

Noisy Data

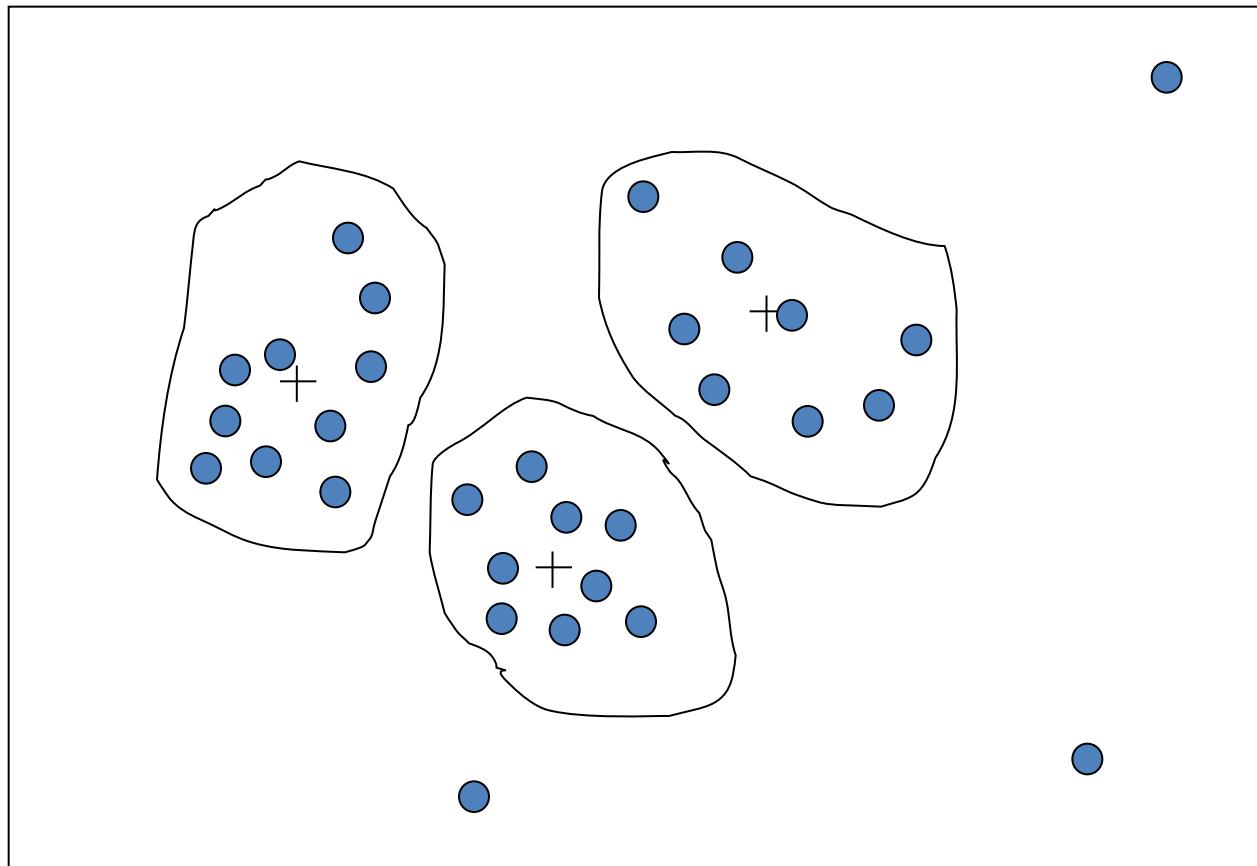
- Noise: random error or variance in a measured variable
- Incorrect attribute values may due to
 - faulty data collection instruments
 - data entry problems
 - data transmission problems
 - technology limitation
 - inconsistency in naming convention
- Other data problems which requires data cleaning
 - duplicate records
 - incomplete data
 - inconsistent data

How to Handle Noisy Data?

- **Binning method:**
 - first sort data and partition into (equi-depth) bins
 - then one can **smooth by bin means**, **smooth by bin median**
 - **Equal-width (distance) partitioning:**
 - It divides the range into N intervals of equal size: **uniform grid**
 - if A and B are the lowest and highest values of the attribute, the width of intervals will be: $W = (B-A)/N$.
 - **Equal-depth (frequency) partitioning:**
 - It divides the range into N intervals, each containing approximately **same number of samples**
 - Managing categorical attributes can be tricky.
- **Combined computer and human inspection**
 - detect suspicious values and check by human

Cluster Analysis

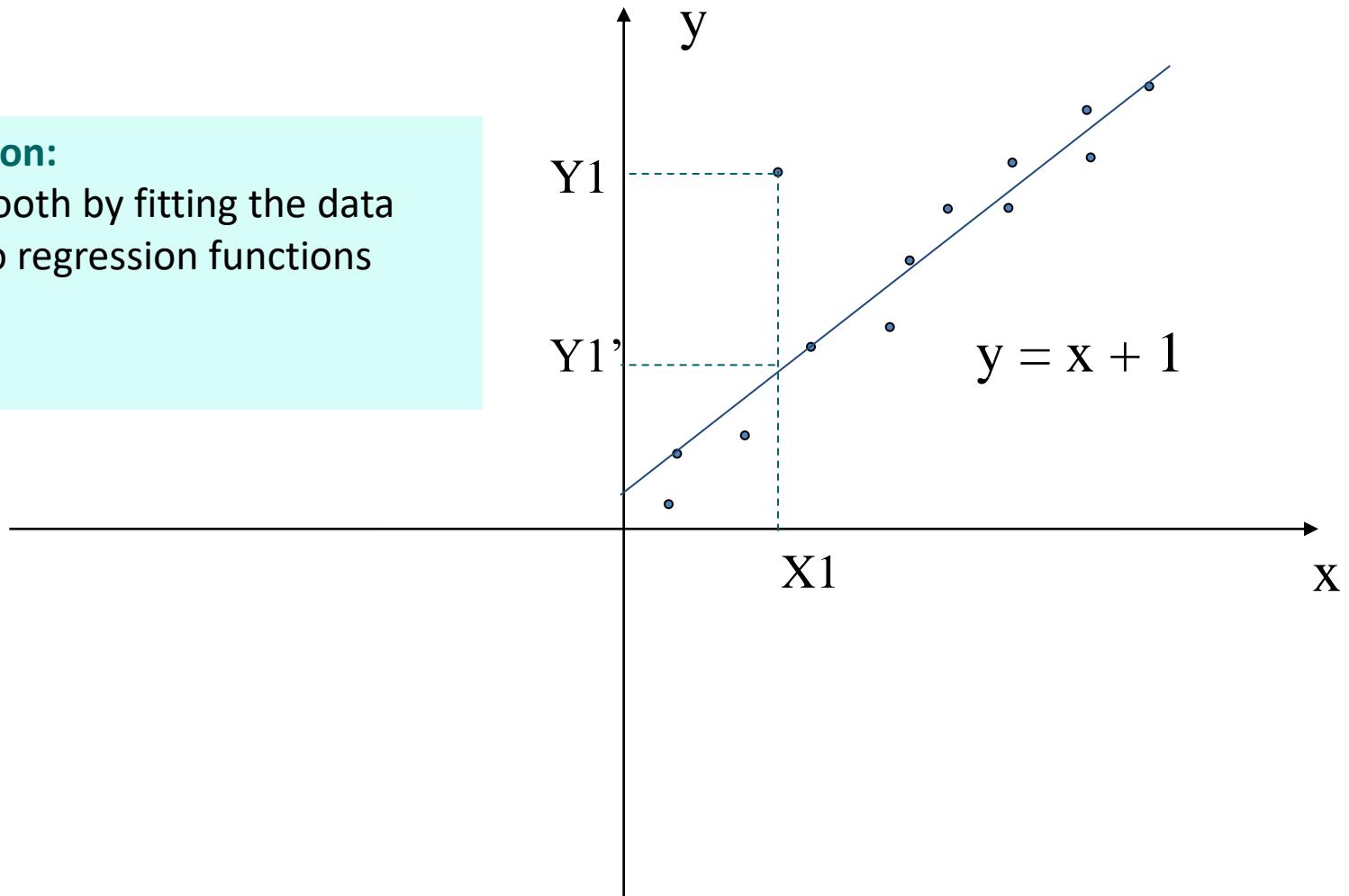
Clustering: detect and remove outliers



Regression

Regression:

smooth by fitting the data
into regression functions



Data Integration

- Data integration:
 - combines data from multiple sources.
 - Schema integration
 - integrate metadata from different sources
 - **Entity identification problem: identify real world entities from multiple data sources, e.g., A.cust-id ≡ B.cust-#**
- Detecting and resolving data value conflicts
 - for the same real world entity, attribute values from different sources are different
 - possible reasons: **different representations, different scales, e.g., metric vs. British units**

Handling Redundant Data in Data Integration

- Redundant data occur often when integration of multiple databases
 - The same attribute may have different names in different databases
 - One attribute may be a “derived” attribute in another table.
 - Redundant data may be able to be detected by correlational analysis
- Careful integration of the data from multiple sources may help reduce/avoid redundancies and inconsistencies and improve mining speed and quality

Data Transformation

- Smoothing: remove noise from data
- Aggregation: summarization, data cube construction
- Generalization: concept hierarchy climbing
- Normalization: scaled to fall within a small, specified range
 - min-max normalization
 - z-score normalization
 - normalization by decimal scaling
- Attribute/feature construction
 - New attributes constructed from the given ones

Data Transformation: Normalization

- **min-max normalization**
 - Min-max normalization performs a linear transformation on the original data.
 - Suppose that min_A and max_A are the minimum and the maximum values for attribute A. Min-max normalization maps a value v of A to v' in the range $[\text{new-min}_A, \text{new-max}_A]$ by computing:
- $$v' = \frac{v - \text{min}_A}{\text{max}_A - \text{min}_A} (\text{new_max}_A - \text{new_min}_A) + \text{new_min}_A$$
- Ex. Let income range \$12,000 to \$98,000 normalized to [0.0, 1.0]. Then \$73,600 is mapped to

$$\frac{73,600 - 12,000}{98,000 - 12,000} (1.0 - 0) + 0 = 0.716$$

Data Transformation: Normalization

- **Z-score Normalization:**

- In z-score normalization, attribute A are normalized based on the mean and standard deviation of A. a value v of A is normalized to v' by computing:

$$v' = \frac{v - \mu_A}{\sigma_A}$$

- where μ : mean, σ : standard deviation
 - Ex. Let $\mu = 54,000$, $\sigma = 16,000$. Then $\frac{73,600 - 54,000}{16,000} = 1.225$
 - This method of normalization is useful when the actual minimum and maximum of attribute A are unknown.

Data Transformation: Normalization

- **Normalization by Decimal Scaling**
 - Normalization by decimal scaling normalizes by moving the decimal point of values of attribute A.
 - The number of decimal points moved depends on the maximum absolute value of A.
 - a value v of A is normalized to v' by computing: $v' = (v / 10^j)$. Where j is the smallest integer such that $\text{Max}(|v'|) < 1$.

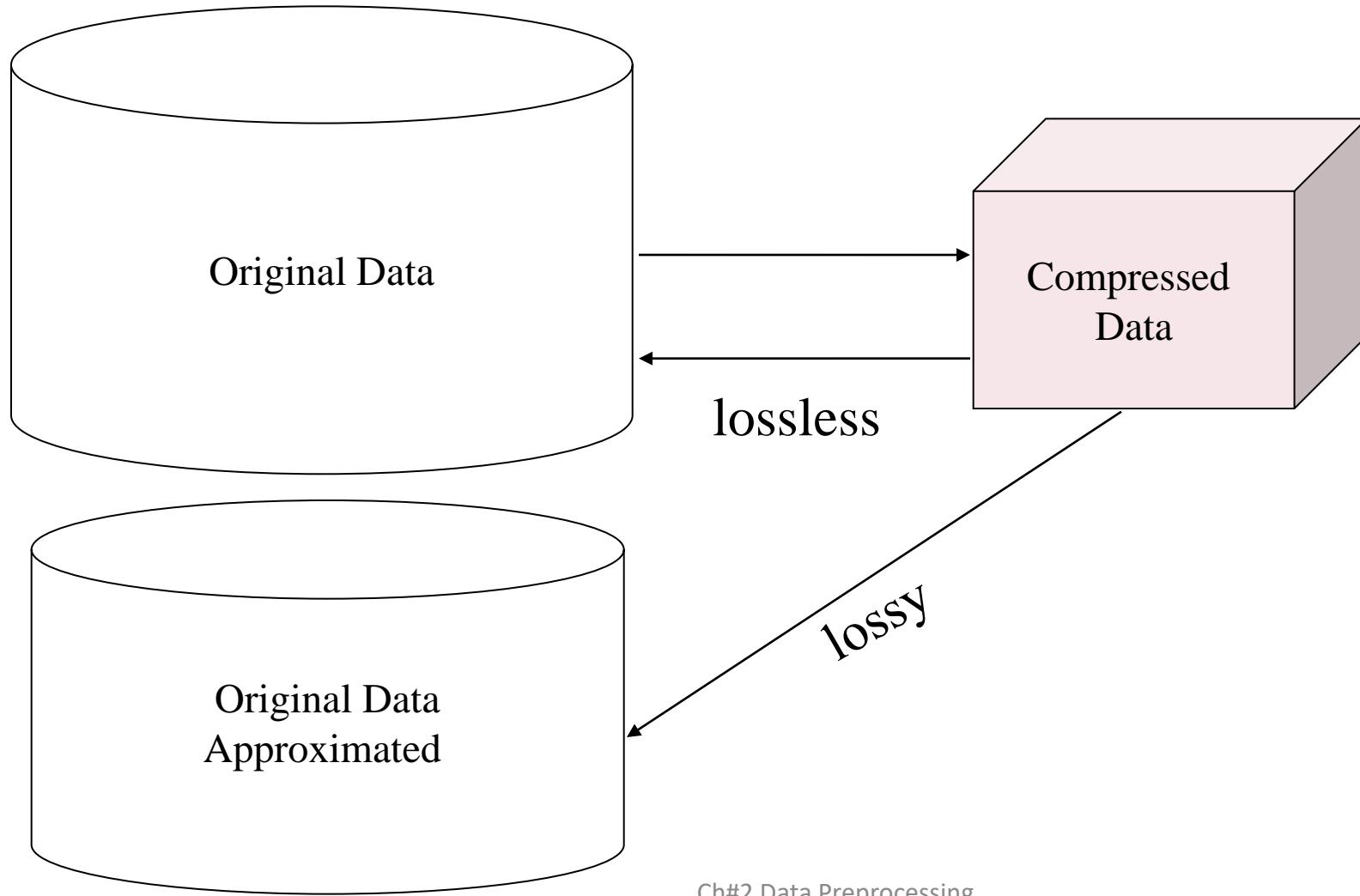
Decimal Scaling Normalization

Suppose that the recorded values of F range from –986 to 917. The maximum absolute value of F is 986. To normalize by decimal scaling, we therefore divide each value by 1,000 (i.e., $j = 3$) so that –986 normalizes to –0.986 and 917 normalizes to 0.917.

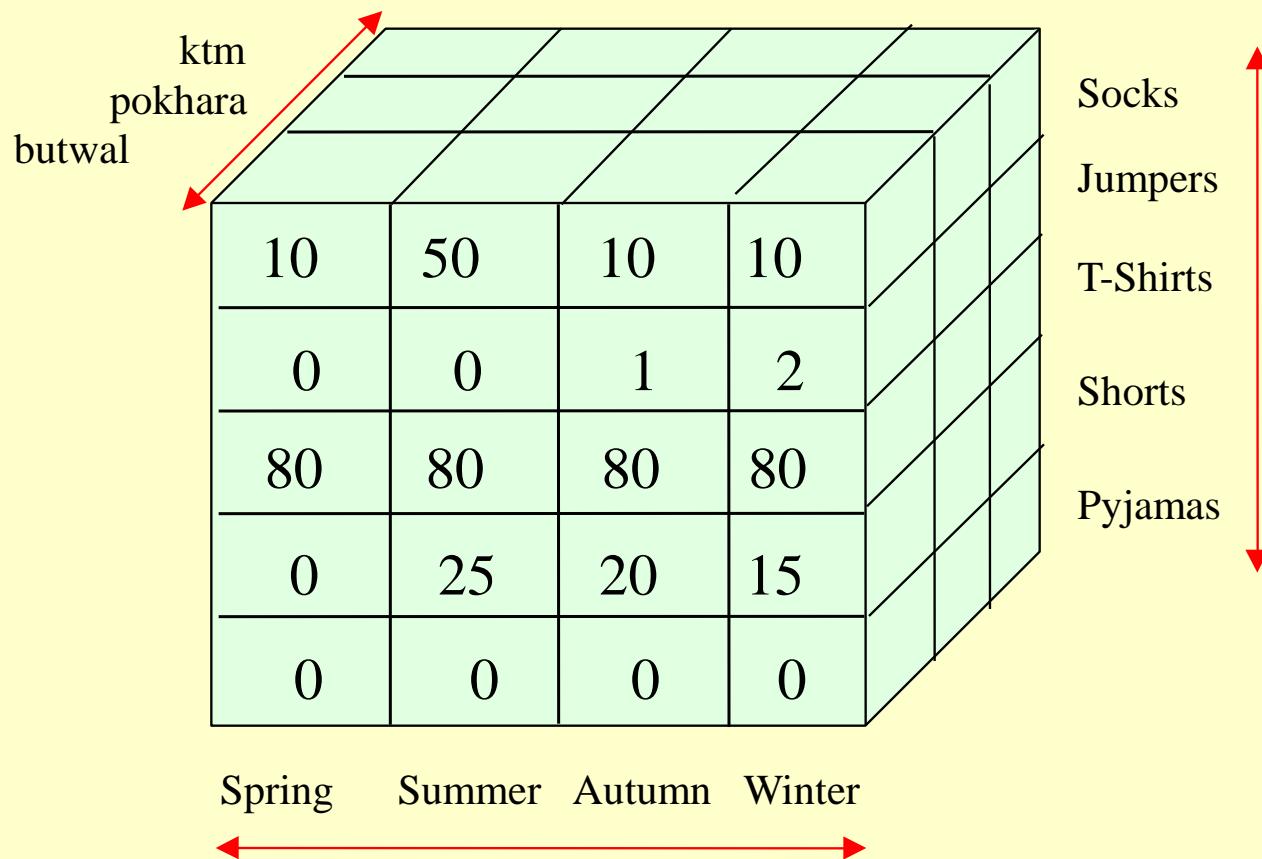
Data Reduction Strategies

- Warehouse may store terabytes of data: Complex data analysis/mining may take a very long time to run on the complete data set
- Data reduction
 - Obtains a reduced representation of the data set that is much smaller in volume but yet produces the same (or almost the same) analytical results
- Data reduction strategies
 - Sampling: selecting a subset of the data
 - Dimensionality reduction:
 - Data Compression: lossy (audio/video) and lossless (string)

Data Compression



OLAP and MULTIDIMENSIONAL DATA MODEL



Example: Three dimensions – Product, Sales_Area, and Season

- when performed by **dimension reduction**
 - one or more dimensions are removed from the cube
- Ex a sales cube with location and time
 - aggregation of total sales by location
 - rather than by location and by time

| location by country | | |
|---------------------|---------|---------|
| | Türkiye | Almanya |
| PC | 50 | 90 |
| Printer | 20 | 30 |

Two dimensional cuboid



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|-----------|-----|
| | |
| PC | 140 |
| Printer | 50 |

One dim. cuboid

Key Terms in Data Preprocessing

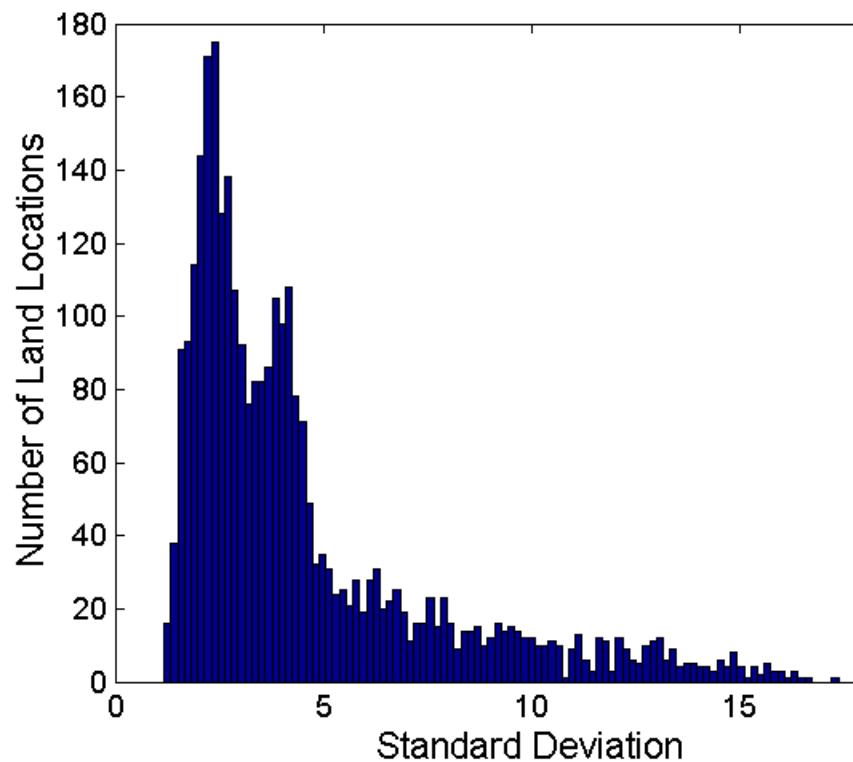
- Aggregation
- Sampling
- Dimensionality Reduction
- Feature subset selection
- Feature creation
- Discretization and Binarization
- Attribute Transformation

Aggregation

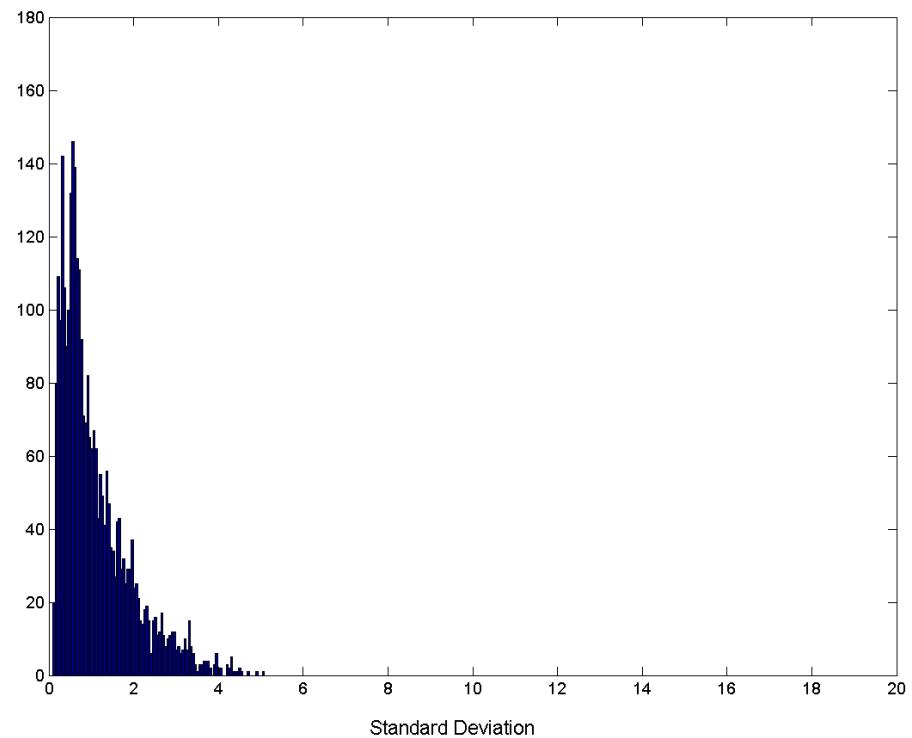
- Combining two or more attributes (or objects) into a single attribute (or object)
- Purpose
 - Data reduction
 - Reduce the number of attributes or objects
 - Change of scale
 - Cities aggregated into regions, states, countries, etc
 - More “stable” data
 - Aggregated data tends to have less variability

Aggregation

Variation of Precipitation in Australia



**Standard Deviation of Average
Monthly Precipitation**



**Standard Deviation of Average
Yearly Precipitation**

Sampling

- Sampling is the main technique employed for data selection.
 - It is often used for both the preliminary investigation of the data and the final data analysis.
- Statisticians sample because obtaining the entire set of data of interest is too expensive or time consuming.
- Sampling is used in data mining because processing the entire set of data of interest is too expensive or time consuming.

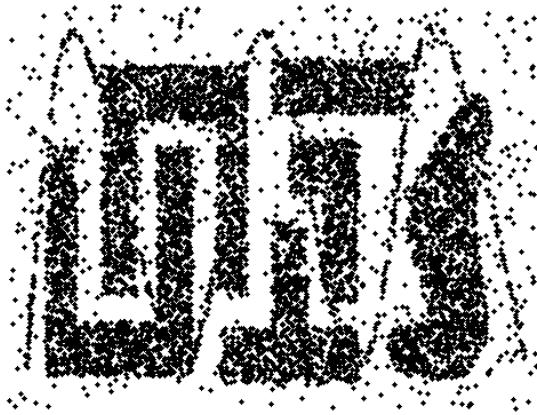
Sampling ...

- The key principle for effective sampling is the following:
 - using a sample will work almost as well as using the entire data sets, if the sample is representative
 - A sample is representative if it has approximately the same property (of interest) as the original set of data

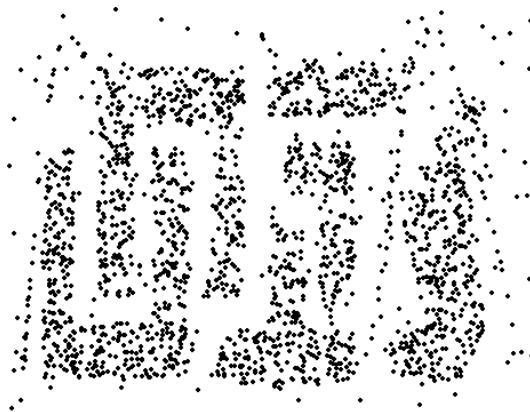
Types of Sampling

- Simple Random Sampling
 - There is an equal probability of selecting any particular item
- Sampling without replacement
 - As each item is selected, it is removed from the population
- Sampling with replacement
 - Objects are not removed from the population as they are selected for the sample.
 - In sampling with replacement, the same object can be picked up more than once
- Stratified sampling
 - Split the data into several partitions; then draw random samples from each partition

Sample Size



8000 points



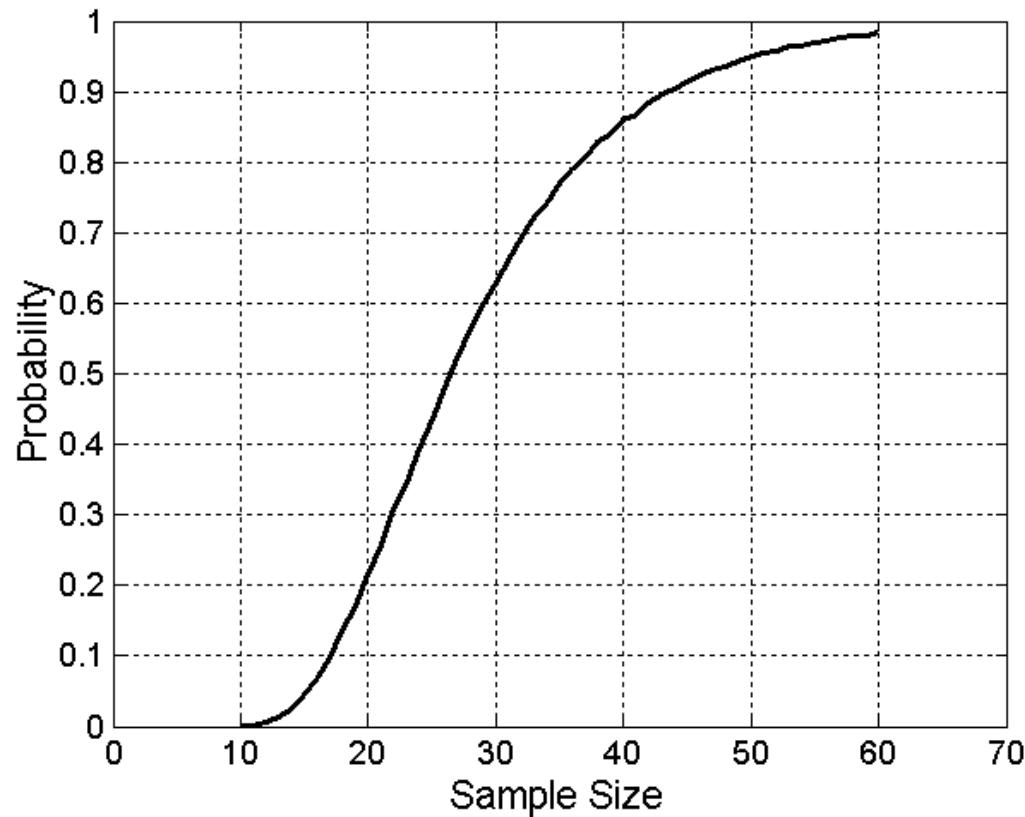
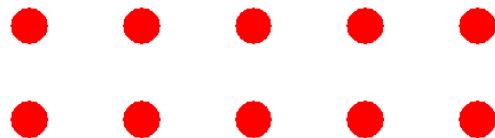
2000 Points



500 Points

Sample Size

- What sample size is necessary to get at least one object from each of 10 groups.

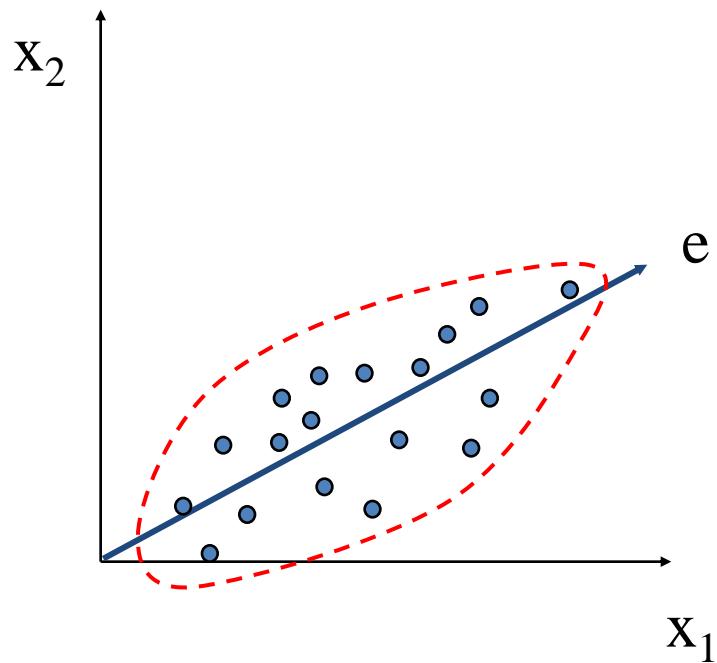


Dimensionality Reduction

- Purpose:
 - Avoid curse of dimensionality
 - Reduce amount of time and memory required by data mining algorithms
 - Allow data to be more easily visualized
 - May help to eliminate irrelevant features or reduce noise
- Techniques
 - Principle Component Analysis
 - Singular Value Decomposition
 - Others: supervised and non-linear techniques

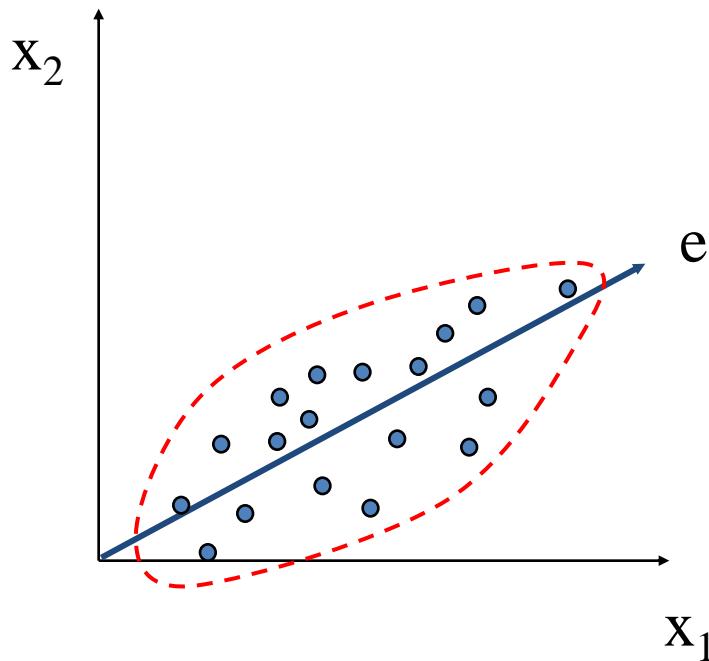
Dimensionality Reduction: PCA

- Goal is to find a projection that captures the largest amount of variation in data



Dimensionality Reduction: PCA

- Find the eigenvectors of the covariance matrix
- The eigenvectors define the new space



Dimensionality Reduction: PCA

Dimensions = 206



Feature Subset Selection

- Another way to reduce dimensionality of data
- Redundant features
 - duplicate much or all of the information contained in one or more other attributes
 - Example: purchase price of a product and the amount of sales tax paid
- Irrelevant features
 - contain no information that is useful for the data mining task at hand
 - Example: students' ID is often irrelevant to the task of predicting students' GPA

Feature Subset Selection

- Techniques:
 - Brute-force approach:
 - Try all possible feature subsets as input to data mining algorithm
 - Embedded approaches:
 - Feature selection occurs naturally as part of the data mining algorithm
 - Filter approaches:
 - Features are selected before data mining algorithm is run
 - Wrapper approaches:
 - Use the data mining algorithm as a black box to find best subset of attributes

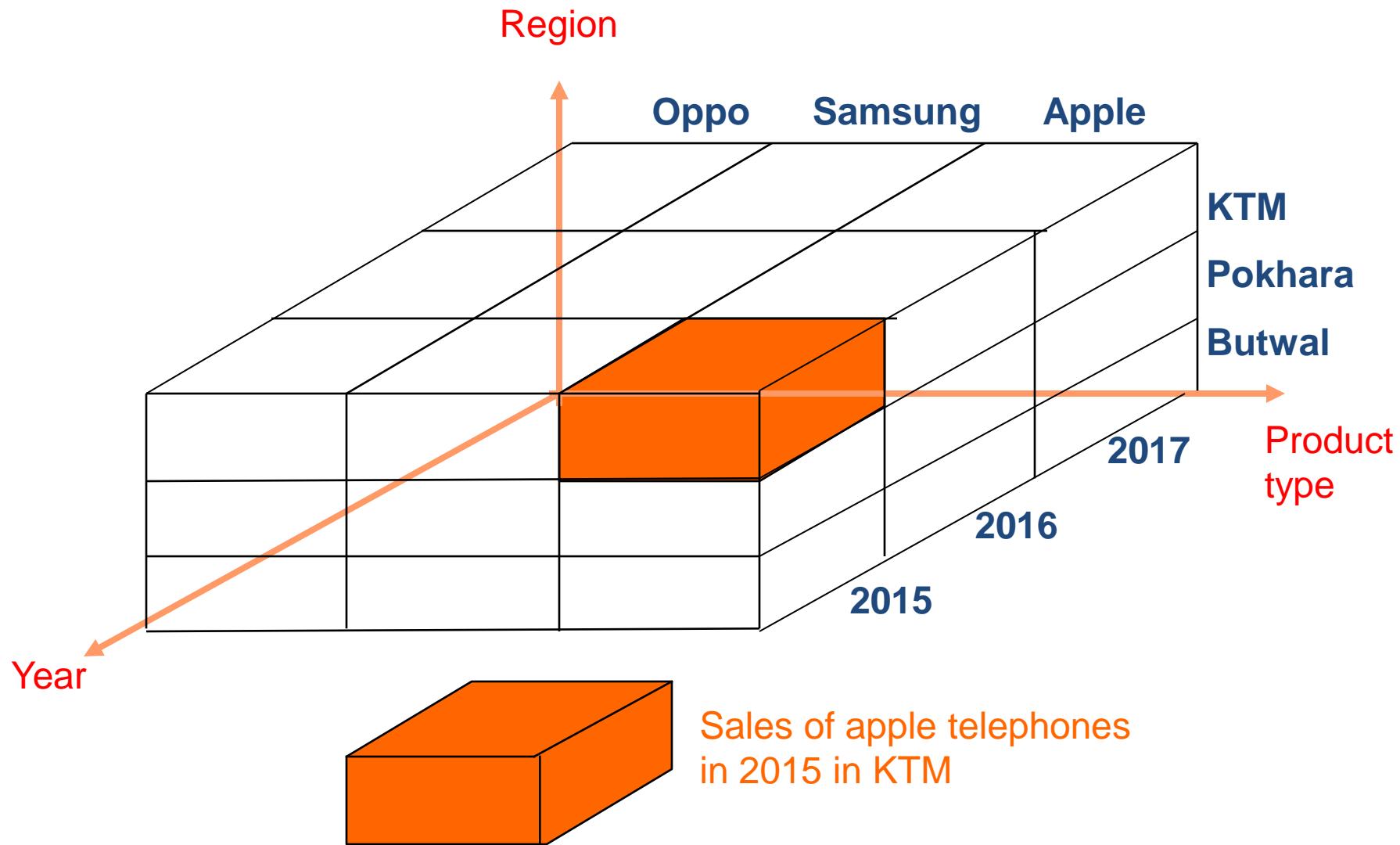
Feature Creation

- Create new attributes that can capture the important information in a data set much more efficiently than the original attributes
- Three general methodologies:
 - Feature Extraction
 - domain-specific
 - Mapping Data to New Space
 - Feature Construction
 - combining features

Attribute Transformation

- A function that maps the entire set of values of a given attribute to a new set of replacement values such that each old value can be identified with one of the new values
 - Simple functions: x^k , $\log(x)$, e^x , $|x|$
 - Standardization and Normalization

Storage: The Cube



OLAP Terminology

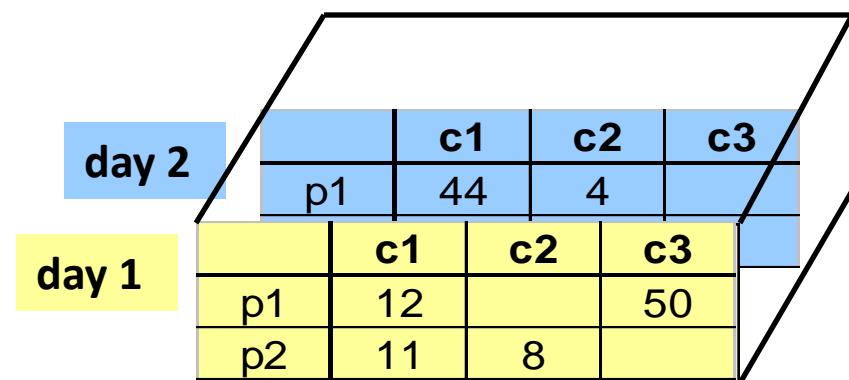
- A **data cube** supports viewing/modeling of a variable (a set of variables) of interest. **Measures** are used to report the values of the particular variable with respect to a given set of dimensions.
- A **fact table** stores measures as well as keys representing relationships to various dimensions.
- **Dimensions** are perspectives with respect to which an organization wants to keep record.
- A **star schema** defines a fact table and its associated dimensions.

3-D Cube

Fact table view:

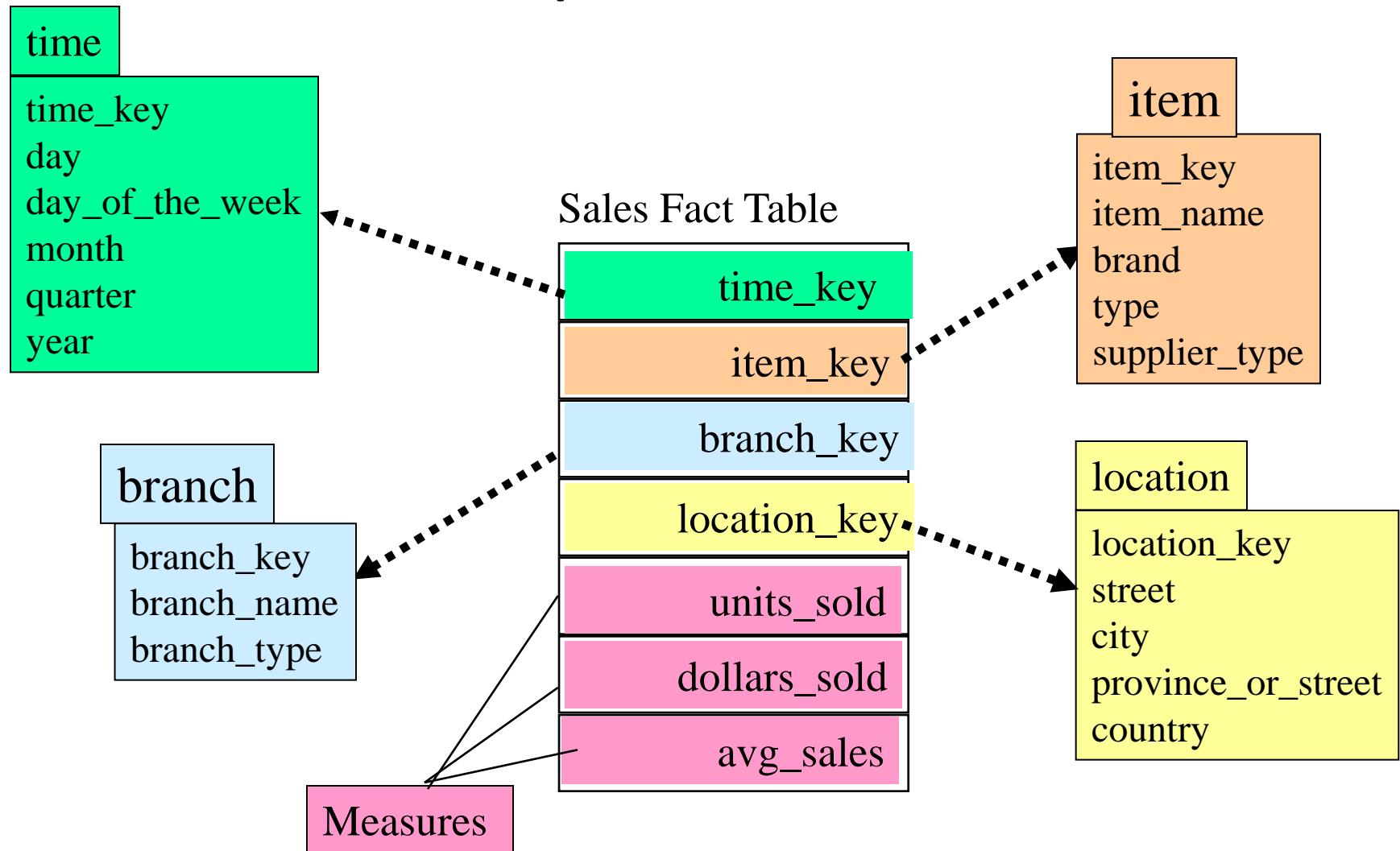
| sale | prodId | storeId | date | amt |
|------|--------|---------|------|-----|
| | p1 | c1 | 1 | 12 |
| | p2 | c1 | 1 | 11 |
| | p1 | c3 | 1 | 50 |
| | p2 | c2 | 1 | 8 |
| | p1 | c1 | 2 | 44 |
| | p1 | c2 | 2 | 4 |

Multi-dimensional cube:



dimensions = 3

Example of Star Schema

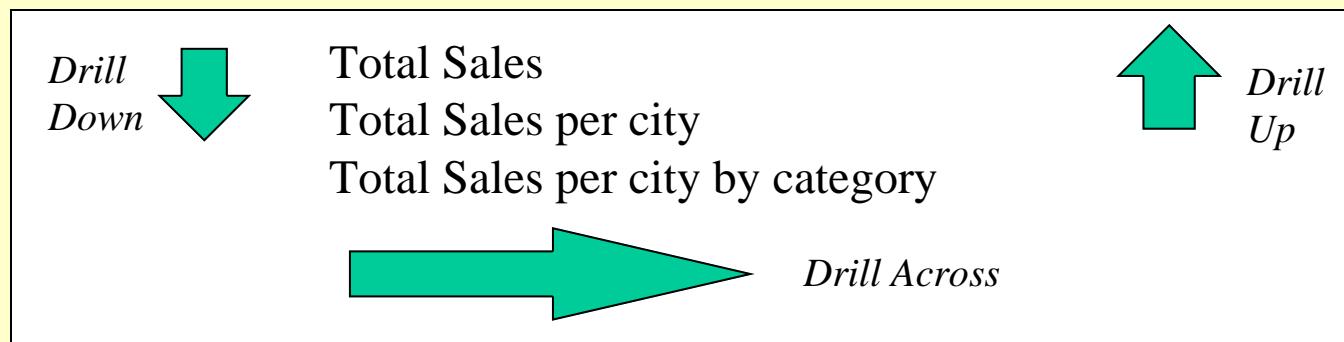
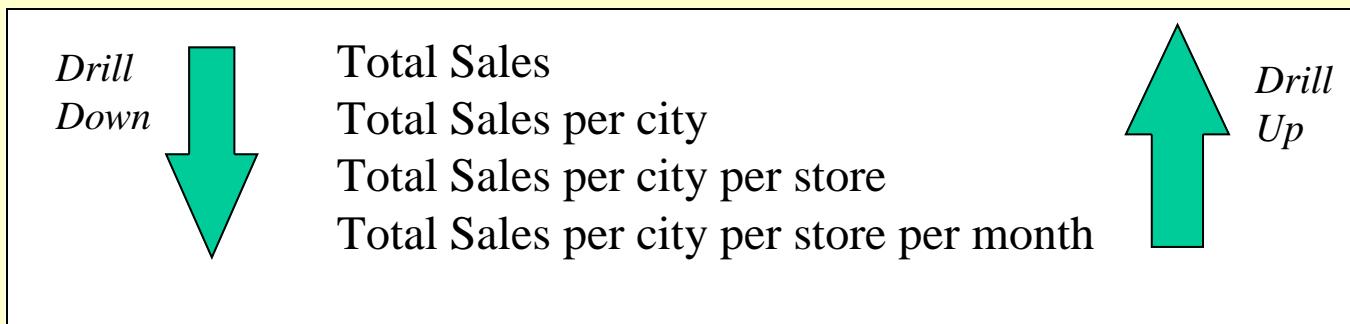


Typical OLAP Operations

- Roll up (drill-up): summarize data
 - *by climbing up hierarchy or by dimension reduction*
- Drill down (roll down): reverse of roll-up
 - *from higher level summary to lower level summary or detailed data, or introducing new dimensions*
- Slice and dice:
 - *project and select*
- Pivot (rotate):
 - *reorient the cube, visualization, 3D to series of 2D planes.*
- Other operations
 - *drill across: involving (across) more than one fact table*

OLAP

TYPICAL OLAP OPERATIONS



By a drill up operation examine sales
By country rather than city level

| | location by city | | | |
|---------|------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| | Istanbul | Ankara | Berlin | Münih |
| PC | 20 | 30 | 50 | 40 |
| Printer | 15 | 5 | 10 | 20 |

roll up

| | location by country | |
|---------|---------------------|---------|
| | Türkiyy | Almanya |
| PC | 50 | 90 |
| Printer | 20 | 30 |

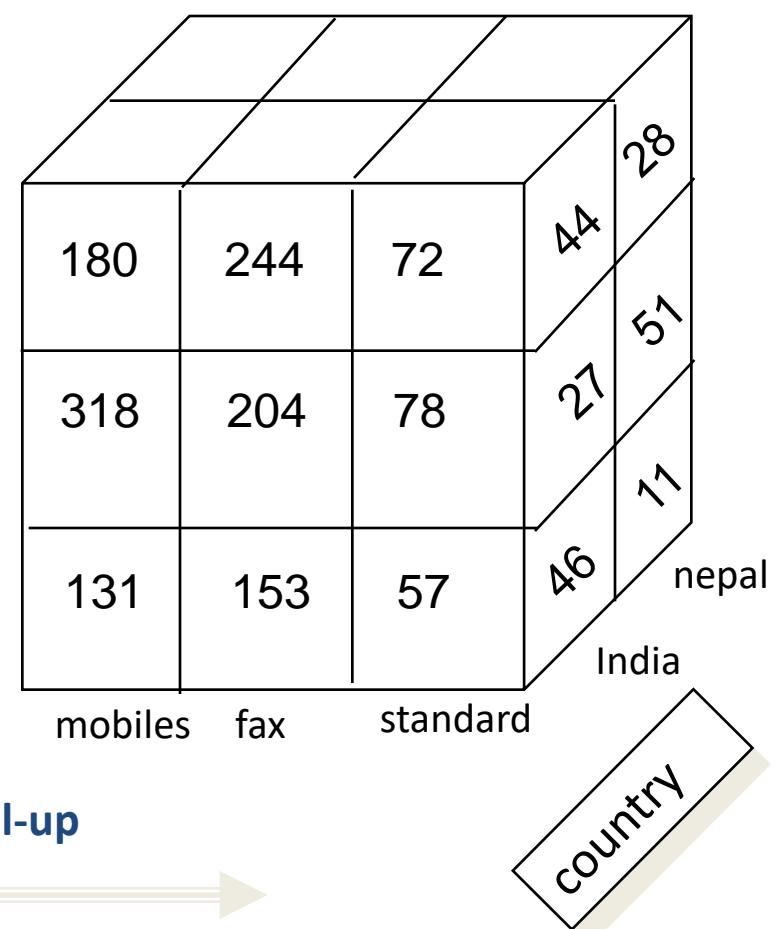
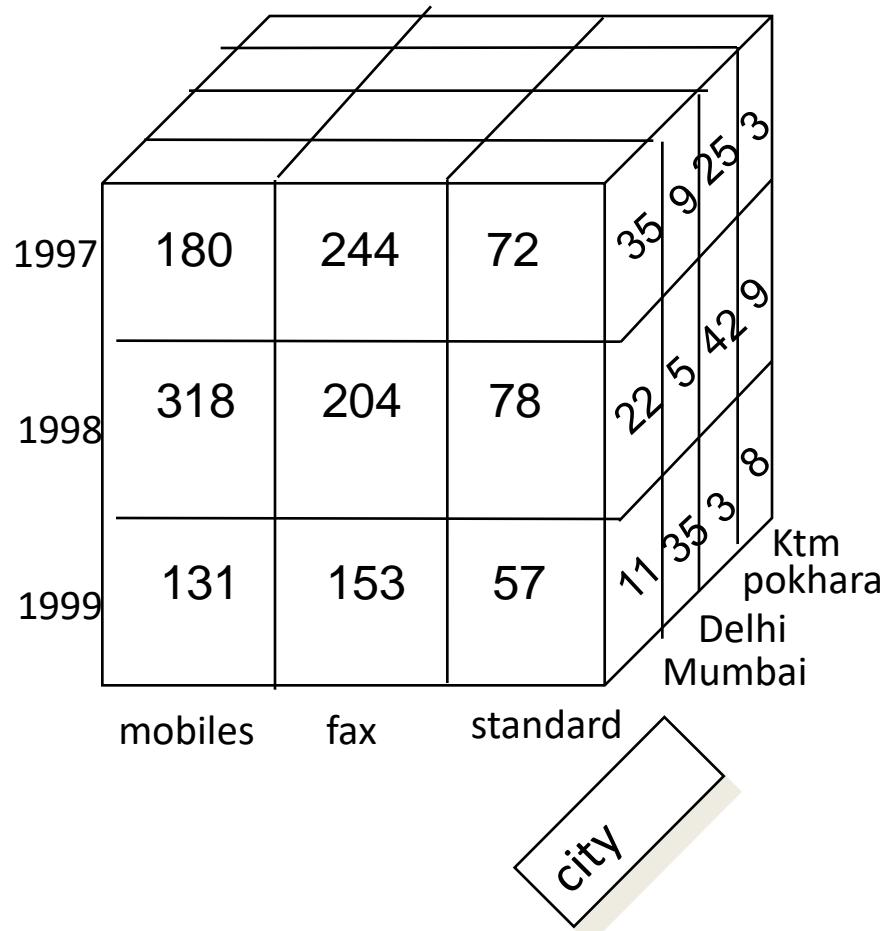
Drill down

| | measure is sales | |
|---------|------------------|--|
| | Time 2002 | |
| PC | 50 | |
| Printer | 23 | |



| | 2002 | | | |
|---------|------|----|----|----|
| | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| PC | 10 | 15 | 20 | 5 |
| Printer | 5 | 10 | 5 | 3 |

Roll-up and Drill-down algebraic operators



Roll-up

Less detailed: go up in the granularity hierarchy

Drill-down

More detailed: go down in the granularity hierarchy

Slice and dice

- **Slice**: a selection on one dimension of the cube resulting in subcube
- Ex: sales data are selected for dimension time using time =spring
- EX: you could slice a cube by using a particular product and view all sales of that product across all dates and customers.
- **dice**: defines a subcube by performing a selection on two or more dimensions
- EX: look for sales of a particular product on a particular day to a particular customer.
- Ex: a dice opp. Based on
 - location=“pokhara” or “ktm” and
 - time =spring or summer and
 - item = “T-shirts” or “Pyjamas”

What is Data?

- Collection of data objects and their attributes
- An attribute is a property or characteristic of an object
 - Examples: eye color of a person, temperature, etc.
 - Attribute is also known as variable, field, characteristic, or feature
- A collection of attributes describe an object
 - Object is also known as record, point, case, sample, entity, or instance

Attributes

Objects

| Tid | Refund | Marital Status | Taxable Income | Cheat |
|-----|--------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| 1 | Yes | Single | 125K | No |
| 2 | No | Married | 100K | No |
| 3 | No | Single | 70K | No |
| 4 | Yes | Married | 120K | No |
| 5 | No | Divorced | 95K | Yes |
| 6 | No | Married | 60K | No |
| 7 | Yes | Divorced | 220K | No |
| 8 | No | Single | 85K | Yes |
| 9 | No | Married | 75K | No |
| 10 | No | Single | 90K | Yes |

Attribute Values

- Attribute values are numbers or symbols assigned to an attribute
- Distinction between attributes and attribute values
 - Same attribute can be mapped to different attribute values
 - Example: height can be measured in feet or meters
 - Different attributes can be mapped to the same set of values
 - Example: Attribute values for ID and age are integers
 - But properties of attribute values can be different
 - ID has no limit but age has a maximum and minimum value

Types of Attributes

- There are different types of attributes
 - Nominal
 - Examples: ID numbers, eye color, zip codes
 - Ordinal
 - Examples: rankings (e.g., taste of potato chips on a scale from 1-10), grades, height in {tall, medium, short}
 - Interval
 - Examples: calendar dates, temperatures in Celsius or Fahrenheit.
 - Ratio
 - Examples: temperature in Kelvin, length, time, counts

Properties of Attribute Values

- The type of an attribute depends on which of the following properties it possesses:
 - Distinctness: $= \neq$
 - Order: $< >$
 - Addition: $+ -$
 - Multiplication: $* /$
 - Nominal attribute: distinctness
 - Ordinal attribute: distinctness & order
 - Interval attribute: distinctness, order & addition
 - Ratio attribute: all 4 properties

| Attribute Type | Description | Examples | Operations |
|----------------|--|---|--|
| Nominal | The values of a nominal attribute are just different names, i.e., nominal attributes provide only enough information to distinguish one object from another. ($=, \neq$) | zip codes, employee ID numbers, eye color, sex: $\{male, female\}$ | mode, entropy, contingency correlation, χ^2 test |
| Ordinal | The values of an ordinal attribute provide enough information to order objects. ($<, >$) | hardness of minerals, $\{good, better, best\}$, grades, street numbers | median, percentiles, rank correlation, run tests, sign tests |
| Interval | For interval attributes, the differences between values are meaningful, i.e., a unit of measurement exists. $(+, -)$ | calendar dates, temperature in Celsius or Fahrenheit | mean, standard deviation, Pearson's correlation, t and F tests |
| Ratio | For ratio variables, both differences and ratios are meaningful. $(*, /)$ | temperature in Kelvin, monetary quantities, counts, age, mass, length, electrical current | geometric mean, harmonic mean, percent variation |

| Attribute Level | Transformation | Comments |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Nominal | Any permutation of values | If all employee ID numbers were reassigned, would it make any difference? |
| Ordinal | <p>An order preserving change of values, i.e.,</p> $\text{new_value} = f(\text{old_value})$ <p>where f is a monotonic function.</p> | An attribute encompassing the notion of good, better best can be represented equally well by the values {1, 2, 3} or by { 0.5, 1, 10}. |
| Interval | $\text{new_value} = a * \text{old_value} + b$ <p>where a and b are constants</p> | Thus, the Fahrenheit and Celsius temperature scales differ in terms of where their zero value is and the size of a unit (degree). |
| Ratio | $\text{new_value} = a * \text{old_value}$ | Length can be measured in meters or feet. |

Discrete and Continuous Attributes

- Discrete Attribute
 - Has only a finite or countably infinite set of values
 - Examples: zip codes, counts, or the set of words in a collection of documents
 - Often represented as integer variables.
 - Note: binary attributes are a special case of discrete attributes
- Continuous Attribute
 - Has real numbers as attribute values
 - Examples: temperature, height, or weight.
 - Practically, real values can only be measured and represented using a finite number of digits.
 - Continuous attributes are typically represented as floating-point variables.

Types of data sets

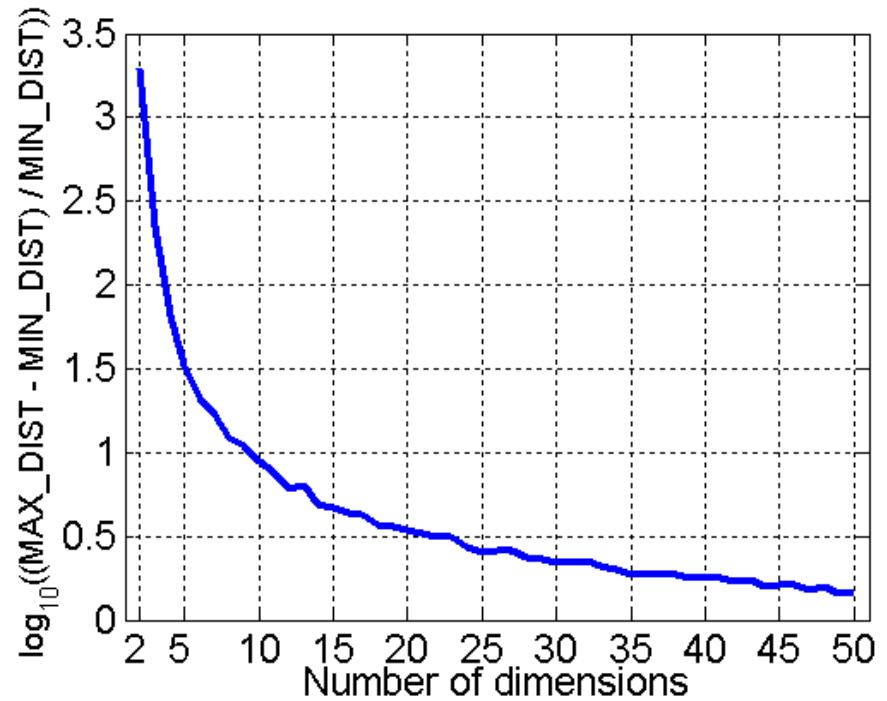
- **Record**
 - Data Matrix
 - Document Data
 - Transaction Data
- **Graph**
 - World Wide Web
 - Molecular Structures
- **Ordered**
 - Spatial Data
 - Temporal Data
 - Sequential Data
 - Genetic Sequence Data

Important Characteristics of Structured Data

- **Dimensionality**
 - **Curse of Dimensionality**
- **Sparsity**
 - **Only presence counts**
- **Resolution**
 - **Patterns depend on the scale**

Curse of Dimensionality

- When dimensionality increases, data becomes increasingly sparse in the space that it occupies
- Definitions of density and distance between points, which is critical for clustering and outlier detection, become less meaningful



- Randomly generate 500 points
- Compute difference between max and min distance between any pair of points

Record Data

- Data that consists of a collection of records, each of which consists of a fixed set of attributes

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Data Matrix

- If data objects have the same fixed set of numeric attributes, then the data objects can be thought of as points in a multi-dimensional space, where each dimension represents a distinct attribute
- Such data set can be represented by an m by n matrix, where there are m rows, one for each object, and n columns, one for each attribute

| Projection of x Load | Projection of y load | Distance | Load | Thickness |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------|------|-----------|
| 10.23 | 5.27 | 15.22 | 2.7 | 1.2 |
| 12.65 | 6.25 | 16.22 | 2.2 | 1.1 |

Document Data

- Each document becomes a 'term' vector,
 - each term is a component (attribute) of the vector,
 - the value of each component is the number of times the corresponding term occurs in the document.

| | team | coach | play | ball | score | game | wi n | lost | timeout | season |
|------------|------|-------|------|------|-------|------|---------|------|---------|--------|
| Document 1 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Document 2 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Document 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 |

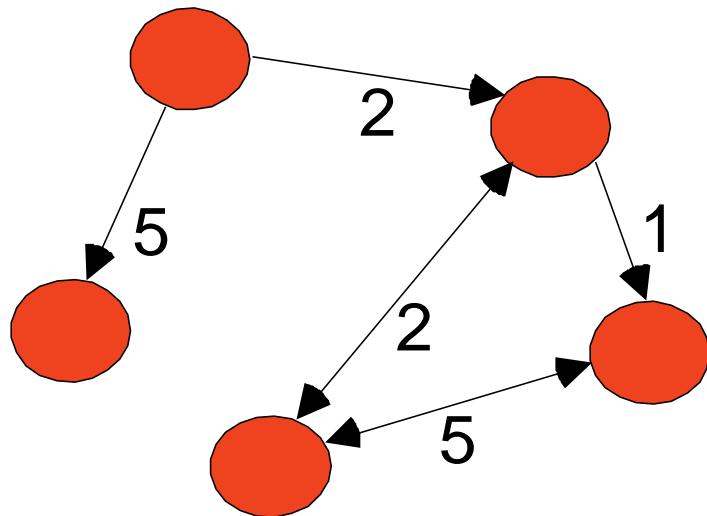
Transaction Data

- A special type of record data, where
 - each record (transaction) involves a set of items.
 - For example, consider a grocery store. The set of products purchased by a customer during one shopping trip constitute a transaction, while the individual products that were purchased are the items.

| <i>TID</i> | <i>Items</i> |
|------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | Bread, Coke, Milk |
| 2 | Beer, Bread |
| 3 | Beer, Coke, Diaper, Milk |
| 4 | Beer, Bread, Diaper, Milk |
| 5 | Coke, Diaper, Milk |

Graph Data

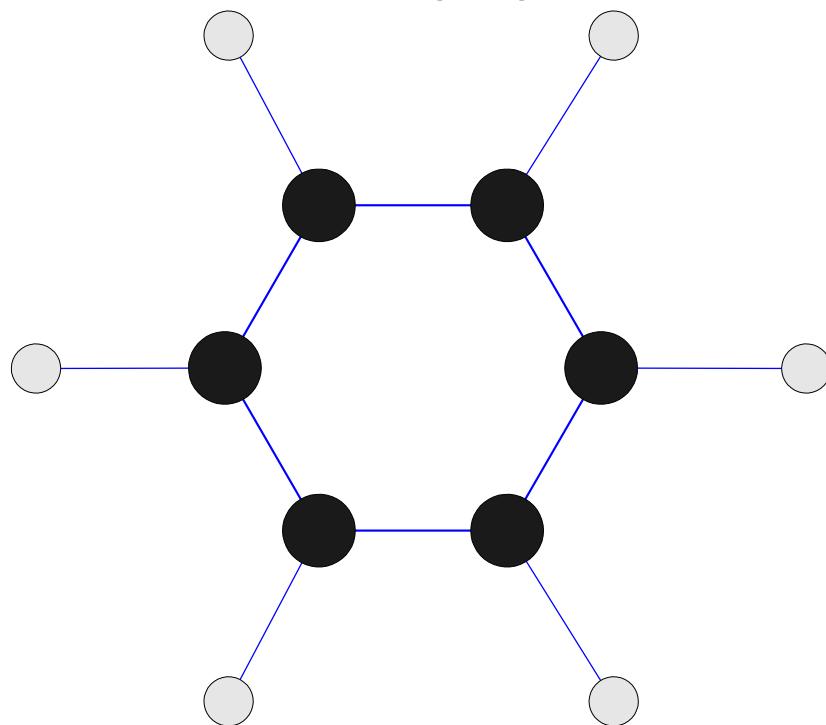
- Examples: Generic graph and HTML Links



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Chemical Data

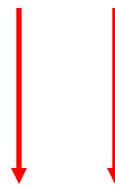
- Benzene Molecule: C_6H_6



Ordered Data

- Sequences of transactions

Items/Events



| | | |
|--------|-----|-------|
| (A B) | (D) | (C E) |
| (B D) | (C) | (E) |
| (C D) | (B) | (A E) |



**An element of
the sequence**

Ordered Data

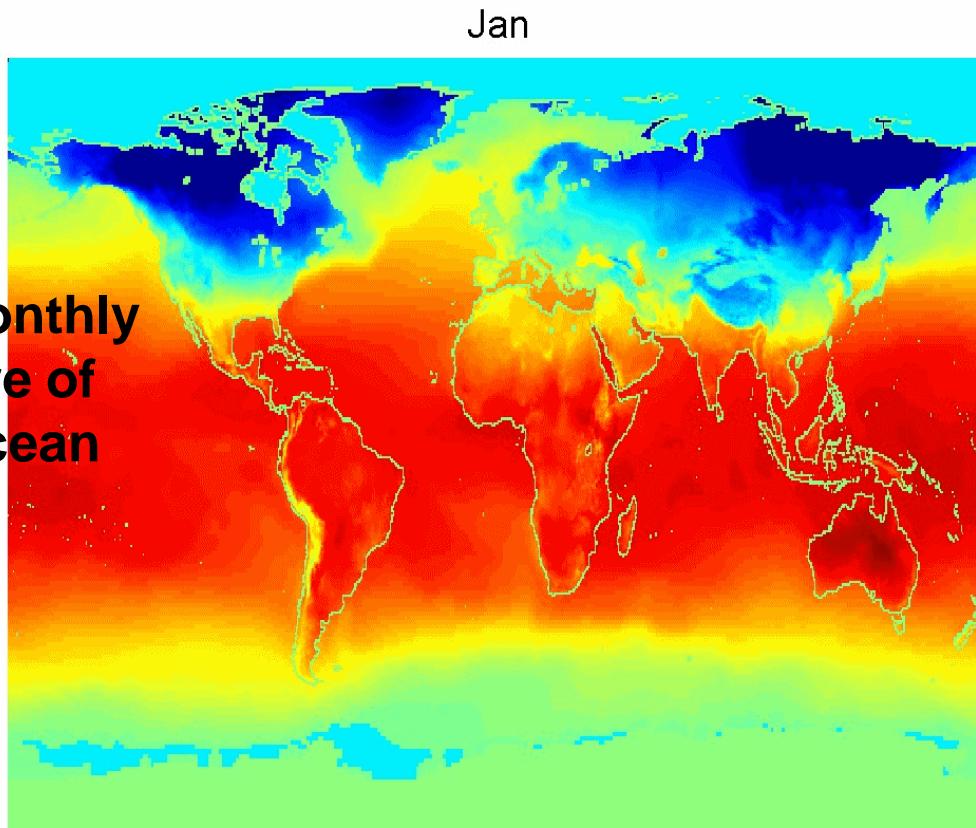
- Genomic sequence data

GGTTCCGCCTTCAGCCCCGCGCC
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GGGGGAGGCAGGGGCCGCCGAGC
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CCCTCTGCTCGGCCTAGACCTGA
GCTCATTAGGCAGCAGCGGACAG
GCCAAGTAGAACACGCGAAGCGC
TGGGCTGCCTGCTGCGACCAGGG

Ordered Data

- Spatio-Temporal Data

Average Monthly
Temperature of
land and ocean



Similarity and Dissimilarity

- Similarity
 - Numerical measure of how alike two data objects are.
 - Is higher when objects are more alike.
 - Often falls in the range [0,1]
- Dissimilarity
 - Numerical measure of how different are two data objects
 - Lower when objects are more alike
 - Minimum dissimilarity is often 0
 - Upper limit varies

Similarity/Dissimilarity for Simple Attributes

p and q are the attribute values for two data objects.

| Attribute Type | Dissimilarity | Similarity |
|-------------------|---|---|
| Nominal | $d = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } p = q \\ 1 & \text{if } p \neq q \end{cases}$ | $s = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p = q \\ 0 & \text{if } p \neq q \end{cases}$ |
| Ordinal | $d = \frac{ p-q }{n-1}$ (values mapped to integers 0 to $n-1$, where n is the number of values) | $s = 1 - \frac{ p-q }{n-1}$ |
| Interval or Ratio | $d = p - q $ | $s = -d, s = \frac{1}{1+d}$ or $s = 1 - \frac{d - \min_d}{\max_d - \min_d}$ |

Table 5.1. Similarity and dissimilarity for simple attributes

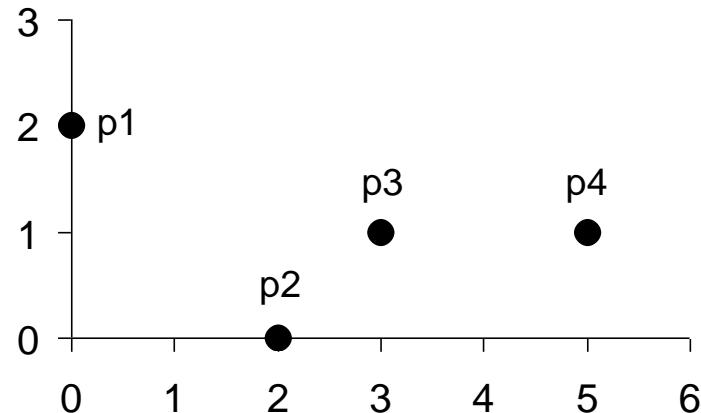
Euclidean Distance

- Euclidean Distance

$$dist = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^n (p_k - q_k)^2}$$

Where n is the number of dimensions (attributes) and p_k and q_k are, respectively, the k^{th} attributes (components) or data objects p and q .

Euclidean Distance



| point | x | y |
|-------|---|---|
| p1 | 0 | 2 |
| p2 | 2 | 0 |
| p3 | 3 | 1 |
| p4 | 5 | 1 |

| | p1 | p2 | p3 | p4 |
|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| p1 | 0 | 2.828 | 3.162 | 5.099 |
| p2 | 2.828 | 0 | 1.414 | 3.162 |
| p3 | 3.162 | 1.414 | 0 | 2 |
| p4 | 5.099 | 3.162 | 2 | 0 |

Distance Matrix

Minkowski Distance

- Minkowski Distance is a generalization of Euclidean Distance

$$dist = \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |p_k - q_k|^r \right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

Where r is a parameter, n is the number of dimensions (attributes) and p_k and q_k are, respectively, the k th attributes (components) or data objects p and q .

Minkowski Distance: Examples

- $r = 1$. City block (Manhattan, taxicab, L_1 norm) distance.
 - A common example of this is the **Hamming distance**, which is just the **number of bits that are different between two binary vectors**
 - Find the distance between the vectors 01101010 and 11011011.
 - 01101010
 - 11011011
 - They differ in four places, so the Hamming distance $d(01101010, 11011011) = 4$.
- $r = 2$. Euclidean distance
- $r \rightarrow \infty$. “supremum” (L_{\max} norm, L_∞ norm) distance.
 - This is the **maximum difference between any component of the vectors**

Minkowski Distance

| point | x | y |
|-------|---|---|
| p1 | 0 | 2 |
| p2 | 2 | 0 |
| p3 | 3 | 1 |
| p4 | 5 | 1 |

| L1 | p1 | p2 | p3 | p4 |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| p1 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 6 |
| p2 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| p3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| p4 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 |

| L2 | p1 | p2 | p3 | p4 |
|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| p1 | 0 | 2.828 | 3.162 | 5.099 |
| p2 | 2.828 | 0 | 1.414 | 3.162 |
| p3 | 3.162 | 1.414 | 0 | 2 |
| p4 | 5.099 | 3.162 | 2 | 0 |

| L ∞ | p1 | p2 | p3 | p4 |
|------------|----|----|----|----|
| p1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| p2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| p3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| p4 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 |

Distance Matrix

Common Properties of a Distance

- Distances, such as the Euclidean distance, have some well known properties.
 1. $d(p, q) \geq 0$ for all p and q and $d(p, q) = 0$ only if $p = q$. (**Positive definiteness**)
 2. $d(p, q) = d(q, p)$ for all p and q . (**Symmetry**)
 3. $d(p, r) \leq d(p, q) + d(q, r)$ for all points p , q , and r . (**Triangle Inequality**)

where $d(p, q)$ is the distance (dissimilarity) between points (data objects), p and q .

Common Properties of a Similarity

- Similarities, also have some well known properties.
 1. $s(p, q) = 1$ (or maximum similarity) only if $p = q$.
 2. $s(p, q) = s(q, p)$ for all p and q . (Symmetry)

where $s(p, q)$ is the similarity between points (data objects), p and q .

Similarity Between Binary Vectors

- Common situation is that objects, p and q , have only binary attributes
- Compute similarities using the following quantities

M_{01} = the number of attributes where p was 0 and q was 1

M_{10} = the number of attributes where p was 1 and q was 0

M_{00} = the number of attributes where p was 0 and q was 0

M_{11} = the number of attributes where p was 1 and q was 1

- Simple Matching and Jaccard Coefficients

$SMC = \text{number of matches} / \text{number of attributes}$

$$= (M_{11} + M_{00}) / (M_{01} + M_{10} + M_{11} + M_{00})$$

$J = \text{number of } 11 \text{ matches} / \text{number of not-both-zero attributes values}$

$$= (M_{11}) / (M_{01} + M_{10} + M_{11})$$

SMC versus Jaccard: Example

$p = 1000000000$

$q = 000001001$

$M_{01} = 2$ (the number of attributes where p was 0 and q was 1)

$M_{10} = 1$ (the number of attributes where p was 1 and q was 0)

$M_{00} = 7$ (the number of attributes where p was 0 and q was 0)

$M_{11} = 0$ (the number of attributes where p was 1 and q was 1)

$$SMC = (M_{11} + M_{00}) / (M_{01} + M_{10} + M_{11} + M_{00}) = (0+7) / (2+1+0+7) = 0.7$$

$$J = (M_{11}) / (M_{01} + M_{10} + M_{11}) = 0 / (2 + 1 + 0) = 0$$

Cosine Similarity

- If d_1 and d_2 are two document vectors, then

$$\cos(d_1, d_2) = (d_1 \bullet d_2) / \|d_1\| \|d_2\|,$$

where \bullet indicates vector dot product and $\|d\|$ is the length of vector d .

- Example:

$$d_1 = 3 \ 2 \ 0 \ 5 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 2 \ 0 \ 0$$

$$d_2 = 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2$$

$$d_1 \bullet d_2 = 3*1 + 2*0 + 0*0 + 5*0 + 0*0 + 0*0 + 0*0 + 2*1 + 0*0 + 0*2 = 5$$

$$\|d_1\| = (3^2 + 2^2 + 0^2 + 5^2 + 0^2 + 0^2 + 0^2 + 2^2 + 0^2 + 0^2)^{0.5} = (42)^{0.5} = 6.481$$

$$\|d_2\| = (1^2 + 0^2 + 0^2 + 0^2 + 0^2 + 0^2 + 0^2 + 1^2 + 0^2 + 2^2)^{0.5} = (6)^{0.5} = 2.245$$

$$\cos(d_1, d_2) = .3150$$

Correlation

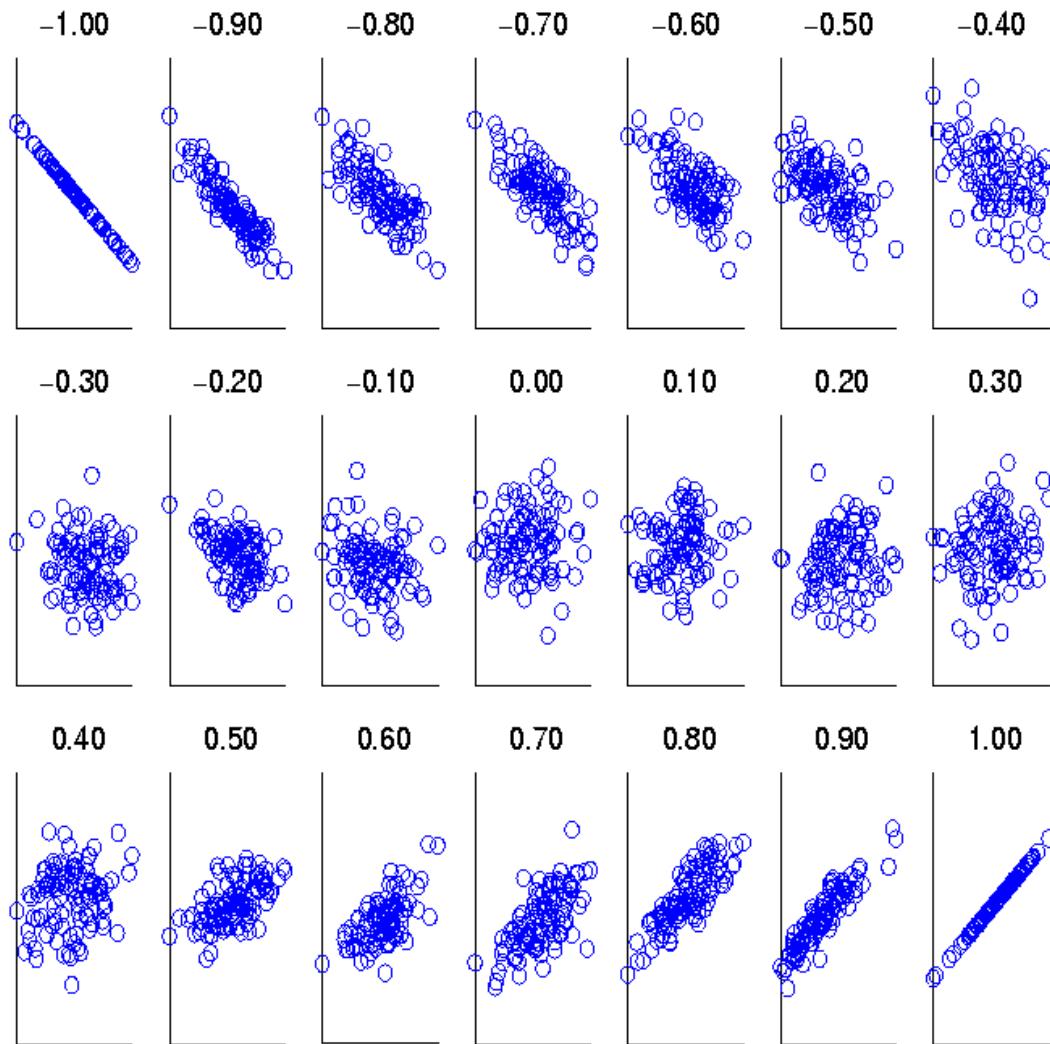
- Correlation measures the linear relationship between objects
- To compute correlation, we standardize data objects, p and q, and then take their dot product

$$p'_k = (p_k - \text{mean}(p)) / \text{std}(p)$$

$$q'_k = (q_k - \text{mean}(q)) / \text{std}(q)$$

$$\text{correlation}(p, q) = p' \bullet q'$$

Visually Evaluating Correlation



**Scatter plots
showing the
similarity from
-1 to 1.**