



Data & Datasets

What Is a Dataset ?

- ▶ Dataset
 - ▶ A collection of **data objects**
- ▶ Objects (*have attributes*)
 - ▶ E.g record, point, case, sample, entity, item, instance...
- ▶ Attributes and variables (*describe objects*)
 - ▶ E.g field, characteristic, feature or observation...

Types of Dataset Attributes

- ▶ *Type of an attribute* depends on **properties** it possesses:

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Order	< >
Addition	+ -
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- ▶ **Nominal** – exhibits ‘distinctness’
- ▶ **Ordinal** – exhibits ‘distinctness’ and ‘order’
- ▶ **Interval** – exhibits ‘distinctness’, ‘order’ and ‘addition’
- ▶ **Ratio** – exhibits all four properties

Types of Dataset Attributes

▶ Nominal attributes

- ▶ provide only enough information to distinguish one object from another
 - ▶ Each value represents a label.
- ▶ Typical comparisons between two values are limited to “**similar**” or “**dissimilar**”
 - ▶ E.g. ID numbers, eye color, pincode ...

Types of Dataset Attributes

▶ Ordinal attributes

- ▶ values of an ordinal attribute provide enough information to order the given objects.
- ▶ Typical comparisons between two values are “**equal**” or “**greater**” or “**lesser**”.
 - ▶ E.g. grades, income, rank, age ...

Types of Dataset Attributes

Interval attributes

- Differences between values are meaningful, i.e., a unit of measurement exists. (+, -)
- E.g. Calendar dates, temperature, marks ...

Types of Dataset Attributes

Ratio attributes

- Both differences and ratios are meaningful in the context of the given objects.
- E.g. Money, counts, age, mass, length ...

Attribute Type	Description	Examples
Nominal	Each value represents a label. (Typical comparisons between two values are limited to "equal" or "no equal")	Flower color, gender, zip code
Ordinal	The values can be ordered. (Typical comparisons between two values are "equal" or "greater" or "less")	grades, street numbers, rank, age
Interval	The differences between values are meaningful, i.e., a unit of measurement exists. (+, -)	Calendar dates, temperature in Celsius or Fahrenheit
Ratio	Differences and ratios are meaningful. (*, /)	Monetary quantities, counts, age, mass, length, electrical current

Other types of Dataset Attributes

Discrete attributes

- have only a finite or countably infinite set of values.
- often represented as integer variables.
- E.g: Pincode, counts, the set of words in a document,...

Continuous Attributes

- have real number values.
- are typically represented as floating point variables.
- E.g: Temperature, height or weight, year ...

Other types of Dataset Attributes

Binary attributes

- a special case of discrete attributes that assume only two values.
- are often represented as Boolean variables, or as integer variables that take on the values 0 or 1
- E.g. Yes/no, true/false, pass/fail ...

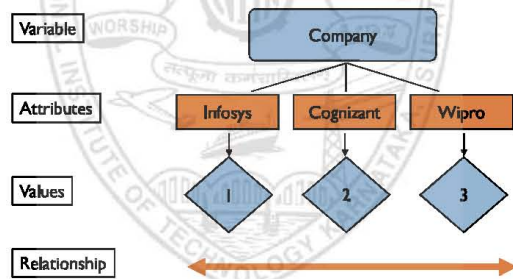
Name	Gender	Fever	Cough	Test-1	Test-2	Test-3	Test-4
Jack	M	Y	N	P	N	N	N
Mary	F	Y	N	P	N	P	N
Jim	M	Y	P	N	N	N	N

Variables

- A **variable** is a logical set of attributes.
- Where as an **attribute** is a characteristic of an object.
- Variables can "**vary**"
- E.g. Value of a variable can be high or low.
- A **domain** is a set of all possible values that a variable is allowed to have.
- E.g. How high or how low, is determined by the domain of the attribute value.

Variables vs. Attributes

Relationship between the **attributes** and a **variable**



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Types of Variables

Dichotomous Variables

- Can have precisely two distinct values.
 - E.g. Gender – Male / Female, Employed/Unemployed ...
- Special case: Binary variable
 - E.g. 0/1 ; Yes/ No; True/ False

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Types of Variables

Categorical Variables

- variables on which calculations are not meaningful.
 - E.g. Pincode, telephone number.

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Types of Variables

Metric variables

- variables on which calculations are meaningful.
 - E.g. interval and ratio variables are metric variables.
- Analyzed using descriptive statistics techniques like mean, standard deviation and skewness.
 - E.g. marks, price ...

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Types of Datasets

- Record
 - Data Matrix, Document Data, Transaction Data ...
- Graph
 - World Wide Web, Molecular Structures, Networks ...
- Ordered
 - Spatial Data, Temporal Data, Sequential Data, Genetic Sequence Data...
- Structured Data
 - Relational DBs, RDF, Linked Data...

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Dataset types - Record Data

- a collection of records (*data objects*), each of which consists of fixed set of data fields (*variables-attributes*)

Name	Gender	Height	Output
Kristina	F	1.6 m	Medium
Jim	M	2 m	Medium
Maggie	F	1.9 m	Tall
Martha	F	1.88 m	Tall
Stephanie	F	1.7 m	Medium
Bob	M	1.85 m	Medium
Kathy	F	1.6 m	Medium
Dave	M	1.7 m	Medium
Worth	M	2.2 m	Tall

- Very commonly used in data mining applications

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Dataset types - Record Data

Data Matrix

- ▶ Datasets with **fixed set** of **numeric** attributes
 - ▶ the data objects can be represented as points in a multi-dimensional space, where each dimension represents a distinct attribute.

Primary	Secondary	Tertiary	Importance	Target Value	W	X	Y	Z
A	Visual	Colour	1	5	4	5	4	3
B		Clarity	1	4	3	4	5	4
C	Perceived	Performance	2	5	5	3	2	4
D		Strength	2	5	4	4	4	3
E								
F	Lather	Copious	3	4	3	4	4	5
G		Dense	2	5	5	3	4	4
H		Coarser	1	4	3	3	4	2
I	Emol	Clean Hand	3	5	4	3	3	2
J		Shiny Hair	2	5	5	2	4	5
K		No Tangles	3	4	3	4	3	5
L								
M								
N								
O								
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Q								
R								
S								
T								

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Dataset types - Record Data

Document Data

- ▶ Each document becomes a 'term' vector, where,
 - ▶ Each term is an *attribute* of the vector,
 - ▶ *Value* of each attribute of the vector = no. of times the corresponding term occurs in the document.

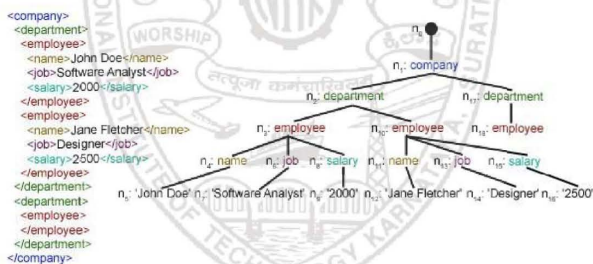
	team	coach	play	ball	score	game	win	lost	timeout	season
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Document 2	0	7	0	2	1	0	0	3	0	0
Document 3	0	1	0	0	1	2	2	0	3	0

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Dataset types - Graph Data

XHTML, XML documents

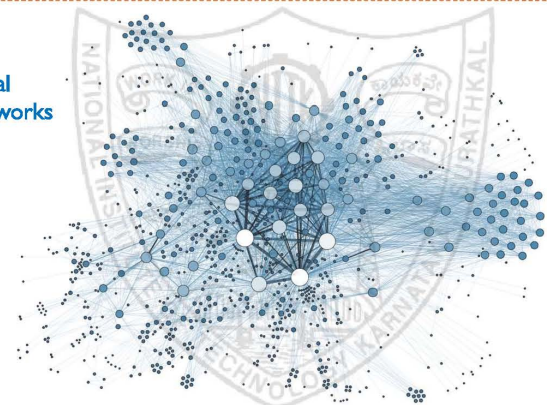


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Dataset types - Graph Data

Social Networks

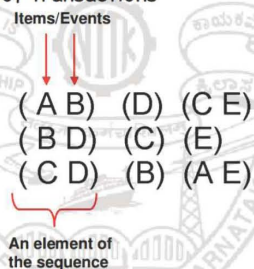


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Dataset types - Ordered Data

Sequences of transactions

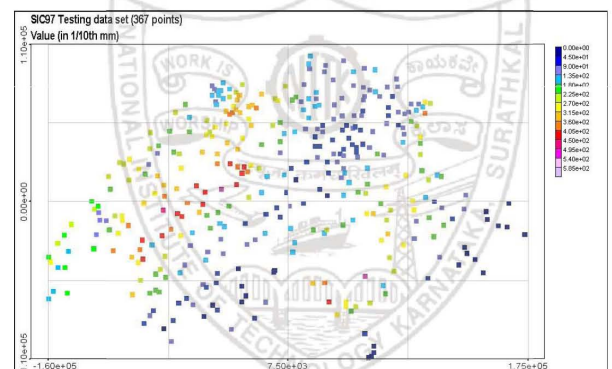


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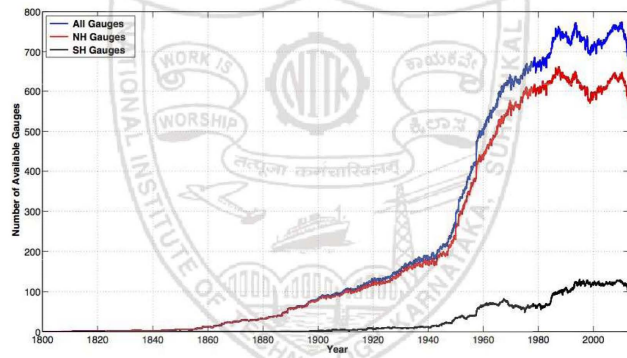
Spatial Data



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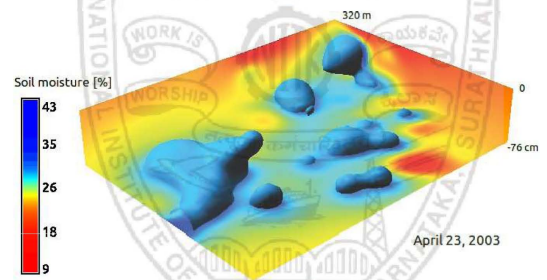
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Temporal Data



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Spatio-temporal Data



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Genomic Sequences

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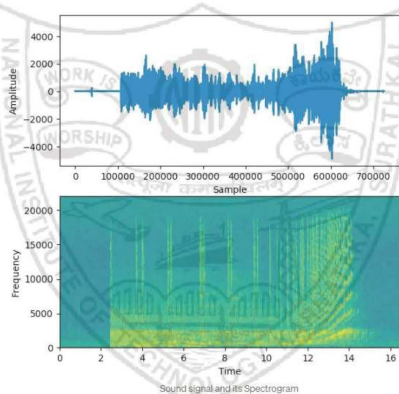
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Video data: sequence of images



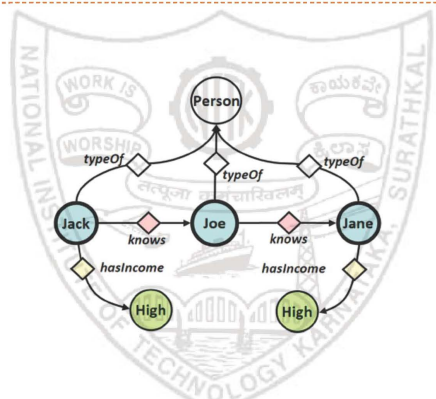
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Audio data



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RDF data



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Dataset types – Structured Data

Linked Data

