

Data Mining



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Data analysis

- Most companies own huge databases containing
 - operational data
 - textual documents
 - experiment results
- These databases are a potential source of useful information



Data analysis

- Information is "hidden" in huge datasets
 - not immediately evident
 - human analysts need a large amount of time for the analysis
 - most data *is never analyzed at all*


Year	Disk space (TB)	Analyst number
1995	~200,000	~100,000
1996	~400,000	~100,000
1997	~800,000	~100,000
1998	~1,600,000	~100,000
1999	~3,200,000	~100,000

From R. Grossman, C. Kamath, V. Kumar, "Data Mining for Scientific and Engineering Applications"

Data science

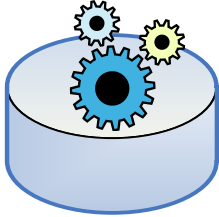
"Extracting meaning from very large quantities of data"


D.J. Patil coined the word *data scientist*




Data mining









- Non trivial extraction of
 - implicit
 - previously unknown
 - potentially useful
 information from available data
- Extraction is automatic
 - performed by appropriate algorithms
- Extracted information is represented by means of abstract models
 - denoted as *pattern*





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Example: profiling

- Consumer behavior in e-commerce sites
 - Selected products, requested information, ... 
- Search engines and portals  
 - Query keywords, searched topics and objects
- Social network data
 - Facebook, google+ profiles  
 - Dynamic data: posts on blogs, FB, tweets 
- Maps and georeferenced data
 - Localization, interesting locations for users  


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Example: profiling

- User/service profiling
 - Recommendation systems
 - Advertisements
- Market basket analysis
 - Correlated objects for cross selling
 - User registration, fidelity cards
- Context-aware data analysis
 - Integration of different dimensions
 - E.g., location, time of the day, user interest
- Text mining
 - Brand reputation, sentiment analysis, topic trends


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Example: biological data

- Microarray
 - expression level of genes in a cellular tissue
 - various types (mRNA, DNA)
- Patient clinical records
 - personal and demographic data
 - exam results
- Textual data in public collections
 - heterogeneous formats, different objectives
 - scientific literature (PubMed)
 - ontologies (Gene Ontology)



CLD	PATENT ID	sh013	sh002	sh077	sh009	sh014	sh082	sh083	sh008
IMAGE74	SS20 1	-1.02	-2.34	1.44	0.57	-0.13	0.12	0.34	-0.51
IMAGE78	INSP13	-0.52	-4.08	-0.23	0.71	1.03	-0.67	0.22	-0.08
IMAGE38	LOC3334	-0.25	-4.08	0.06	0.13	0.08	0.06	-0.08	-0.05
IMAGE22	TC44 2	-1.375	-1.805	0.155	-0.015	0.035	-0.035	0.505	-0.885


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Biological analysis objectives

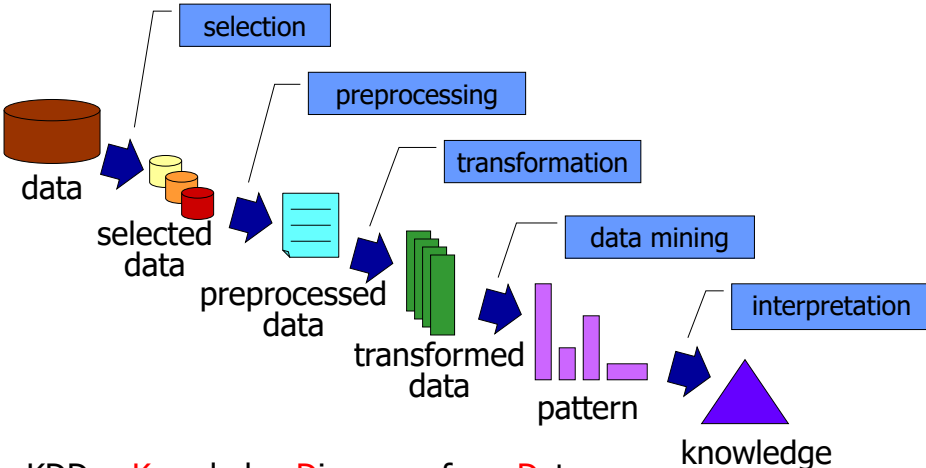
- Clinical analysis
 - detecting the causes of a pathology
 - monitoring the effect of a therapy
 - ⇒ diagnosis improvement and definition of new specific therapies
- Bio-discovery
 - gene network discovery
 - analysis of multifactorial genetic pathologies
- Pharmacogenesis
 - lab design of new drugs for genic therapies



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Knowledge Discovery Process

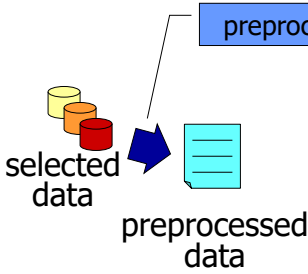


KDD = Knowledge Discovery from Data


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Preprocessing



selected data


preprocessed data


preprocessing

- data cleaning
 - reduces the effect of noise
 - identifies or removes outliers
 - solves inconsistencies
- data integration
 - reconciles data extracted from different sources
 - integrates metadata
 - identifies and solves data value conflicts
 - manages redundancy

Real world data is "dirty"


Without good quality data, no good quality pattern



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Analysis techniques

- Descriptive methods
 - Extract interpretable models describing data
 - Example: client segmentation
- Predictive methods
 - Exploit some known variables to predict unknown or future values of (other) variables
 - Example: "spam" email detection

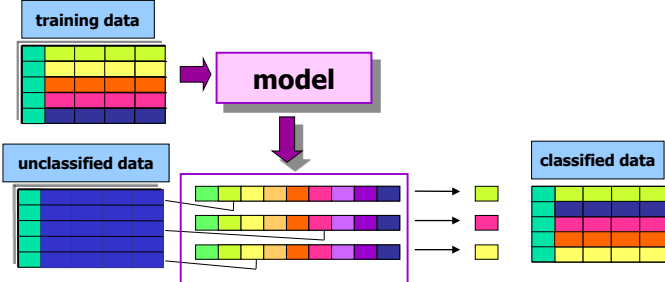

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Classification

■ Objectives

- prediction of a class label
- definition of an interpretable model of a given phenomenon



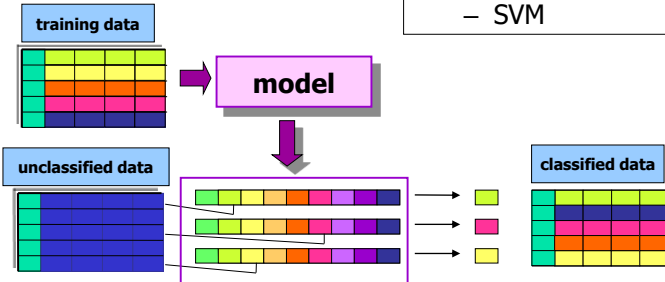

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Classification

• Approaches

- decision trees
- bayesian classification
- classification rules
- neural networks
- k-nearest neighbours
- SVM

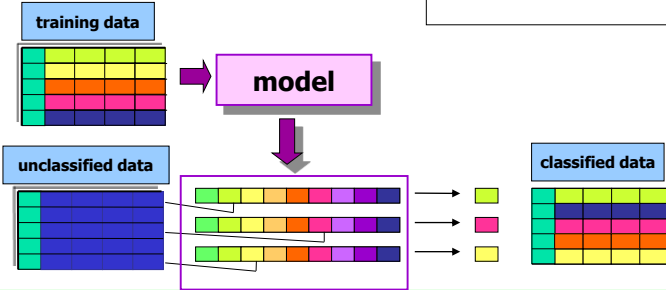




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Classification

- Requirements
 - accuracy
 - interpretability
 - scalability
 - noise and outlier management

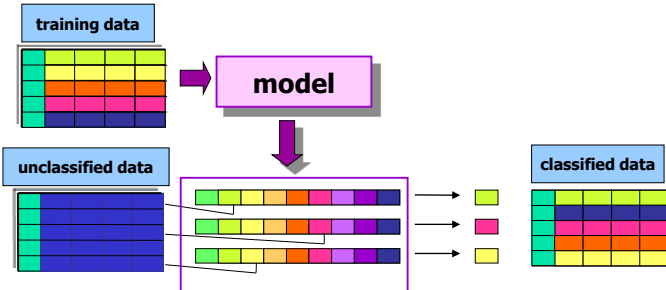




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Classification

- Applications
 - detection of customer propension to leave a company (churn or attrition)
 - fraud detection
 - classification of different pathology types
 - ...

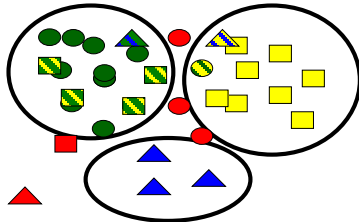




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Clustering

- Objectives
 - detecting groups of similar data objects
 - identifying exceptions and outliers



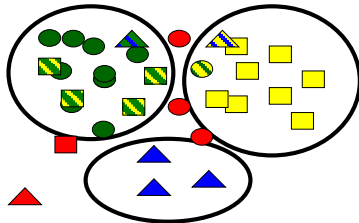

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Clustering

- Approaches
 - partitional (K-means)
 - hierarchical
 - density-based (DBSCAN)
 - SOM

- Requirements
 - scalability
 - management of
 - noise and outliers
 - large dimensionality
 - interpretability




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Clustering

- Applications
 - customer segmentation
 - clustering of documents containing similar information
 - grouping genes with similar expression pattern
 - ...

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Association rules

- Objective
 - extraction of frequent correlations or pattern from a transactional database

Tickets at a supermarket counter

TID	Items
1	Bread, Coke, Milk
2	Beer, Bread
3	Beer, Coke, Diapers, Milk
4	Beer, Bread, Diapers, Milk
5	Coke, Diapers, Milk
...	...

- Association rule
 - diapers \Rightarrow beer
 - 2% of transactions contains both items
 - 30% of transactions containing diapers also contain beer

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Association rules

- Applications
 - market basket analysis
 - cross-selling
 - shop layout or catalogue design

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Other data mining techniques


- Sequence mining
 - ordering criteria on analyzed data are taken into account
 - example: motif detection in proteins
- Time series and geospatial data
 - temporal and spatial information are considered
 - example: sensor network data
- Regression
 - prediction of a continuous value
 - example: prediction of stock quotes
- Outlier detection
 - example: intrusion detection in network traffic analysis

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Open issues

- Scalability to *huge* data volumes
 - Big data
- Data dimensionality
- Complex data structures, heterogeneous data formats
- Data quality
- Privacy preservation
- Streaming data


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