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Data Mining

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Course Textbook

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DATA MINING

Concepts and Techniques

Morgan Kaufmann, 2006

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Course structure

- **Part One:** chapter 1: Intuitive Introduction and DM Overview
- **Part Two:** Textbook chapter 2 (preprocessing),
- Chapter 6 (classification)
- Chapter 5 (association)
- Chapter 7 (clustering)
- **Part Three:** students presentations 1
- book chapter 3 (data warehouse) and some parts of chapters 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11
- **Part Four :** students presentations 2
- Research papers of students' choice
- **Part Five:** project presentation (10 minutes)

Chapter 1: Introduction

Data Mining Main Objectives

- Identification of data as a source of useful information
- Use of discovered information for competitive advantages when working in business environment

Data – Information - Knowledge

- **Data** – as in databases
- **Information**, or knowledge is a meta information **ABOUT** the patterns hidden in the data
- **The patterns** must be discovered automatically

Why Data Mining?

- **Data explosion problem**
 - Automated data collection tools and mature database technology lead to tremendous amounts of data stored in databases, datawarehouses and other information repositories

Why DM? (c.d.)

- **Data explosion problem** (c.d.)
- We are drowning in data, but starving for knowledge!
- **Solution:** Data warehousing and data mining
 - Extraction of interesting knowledge (rules, regularities, patterns, constraints) from data in large databases

What is Data Mining?

- There are many activities with the same name: CONFUSION
- **DM:** Huge volumes of data
- **DM:** Potential hidden knowledge
- **DM:** Process of discovery of hidden patterns in data

DM: Intuitive Definition

- **DM is a Process** to extract previously unknown knowledge from volumes of data
- Requires both new technologies and methods

Data Mining

- **DM** creates models (algorithms):
 - classification (chapter 6)
 - association (chapter 5)
 - prediction (chapter 6)
 - clustering (chapter 7)
- **DM** often presents the knowledge as a set of rules of the form (**descriptive DM**)
IF... THEN...
- Finds other relationships in data
- Detects deviations

DM Some Applications

- **Market analysis and management**
 - target marketing, customer relation management, market basket analysis, cross selling, market segmentation
- **Risk analysis and management**
 - Forecasting, customer retention, improved underwriting, quality control, competitive analysis

DM Other Applications

- **Other Applications**
 - Text mining (news group, email, documents) and Web analysis.
 - Intelligent query answering
 - Scientific Applications

DM: Business Advantages

- Data Mining uses gathered data to
- **Predicts** tendencies and waves
- **Classifies** new data
- Find previously unknown patterns
- Discover unknown relationships

DM: Technologies

- Many commercially available tools
- Many methods (models, algorithms) for the same task
- **TOOLS ALONE ARE NOT THE SOLUTION**
- The user must be able to interpret the results; one of the requirements of DM is:
“the results must be easily comprehensible to the user”

Strength of Descriptive Methods

- Most often, especially when dealing with statistical methods analysts are needed to interpret the knowledge – weakness of statistical methods.

Data Mining vs Statistics

- Some statistical methods are considered as a part of Data Mining i.e. they are used as Data Mining algorithms, or as a part of Data Mining algorithms
- Some, like statistical prediction methods of different types of regression and clustering methods are now considered as an integral part of Data Mining research and applications

Bussiness Applications

- Buying patterns
- Fraud detection
- Customer Campaings
- Decision support
- Medical aplications
- Marketing
- and more

Fraud Detection and Management (B1)

- **Applications**
 - **widely used in health care, retail, credit card services, telecommunications (phone card fraud), etc.**
- **Approach**
 - **use historical data to build models of fraudulent behavior and use data mining to help identify similar instances**

Fraud Detection and Management (B2)

- Examples
 - **auto insurance**: detect characteristics of group of people who stage accidents to collect on insurance
 - **money laundering**: detect characteristics of suspicious money transactions (US Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network)
 - **medical insurance**: detect characteristics of fraudulent patients and doctors

Fraud Detection and Management (B3)

- **Detecting inappropriate medical treatment**
 - Australian Health Insurance Commission detected that in many cases blanket screening tests were requested (save Australian \$1m/yr).
- **Detecting telephone fraud**
 - DM builds telephone call model: destination of the call, duration, time of day or week. Detects patterns that deviate from an expected norm.
 - British Telecom identified discrete groups of callers with frequent intra-group calls, especially mobile phones, and broke a multimillion dollar fraud.

Fraud Detection and Management

(B4)

- **Retail**

- Analysts used Data Mining techniques to estimate that 38% of retail shrink is due to dishonest employees
- and more....

Data Mining vs Data Marketing

- Data Mining methods apply to many domains
- Applications of Data Mining methods in which the goal is to find buying patterns in Transactional Data Bases has been named: **Data Marketing**

Market Analysis and Management (MA1)

- Where are the data sources for analysis?
 - Credit card transactions, loyalty cards, discount coupons, customer complaint calls, plus (public) lifestyle studies
- **Target marketing**
 - DM finds clusters of “model” customers who share the same characteristics: interest, income level, spending habits, etc.

Market Analysis and Management (MA2)

- Determine customer purchasing patterns over time
 - Conversion of single to a joint bank account: when marriage occurs, etc.
- Cross-market analysis
 - Associations/co-relations between product sales
 - Prediction based on the association information

Market Analysis and Management (MA3)

- Customer profiling
 - data mining can tell you what types of customers buy what products (clustering or classification)
- Identifying customer requirements
- identifying the best products for different customers

Corporate Analysis and Risk Management (CA1)

- Finance planning and asset evaluation
 - cash flow analysis and prediction
 - contingent claim analysis to evaluate assets
 - cross-sectional and time series analysis (financial-ratio, trend analysis, etc.)
- Resource planning:
 - summarize and compare the resources and spending

Corporate Analysis and Risk Management (CA2)

- Competition:
 - monitor competitors and market directions
 - group customers into classes and a class-based pricing procedure
 - set pricing strategy in a highly competitive market

Business Summary

- **Data Mining** helps to improve competitive advantage of organizations in dynamically changing environment; it improves clients retention and conversion
- Different Data Mining methods are required for different kind of data and different kinds of goals

Scientific Applications

- Networks failure detection
- Controllers
- Geographic Information Systems
- Genome- Bioinformatics
- Intelligent robots
- Intelligent rooms
- etc... etc

Other Applications

- Sports
 - IBM Advanced Scout analyzed NBA game statistics (shots blocked, assists, and fouls) to gain competitive advantage for New York Knicks and Miami Heat
- Astronomy
 - JPL and the Palomar Observatory discovered 22 quasars with the help of data mining
 - And more

What is **NOT** Data Mining

- Once the patterns are found Data Mining process is finished
- The use of the patterns is **not** Data Mining
- Monitoring is **not** analysis
- Queries to the database are **not** DM

Evolution of Database Technology

- 1960s:
 - Data collection, database creation, IMS and network DBMS
- 1970s:
 - Relational data model, relational DBMS implementation

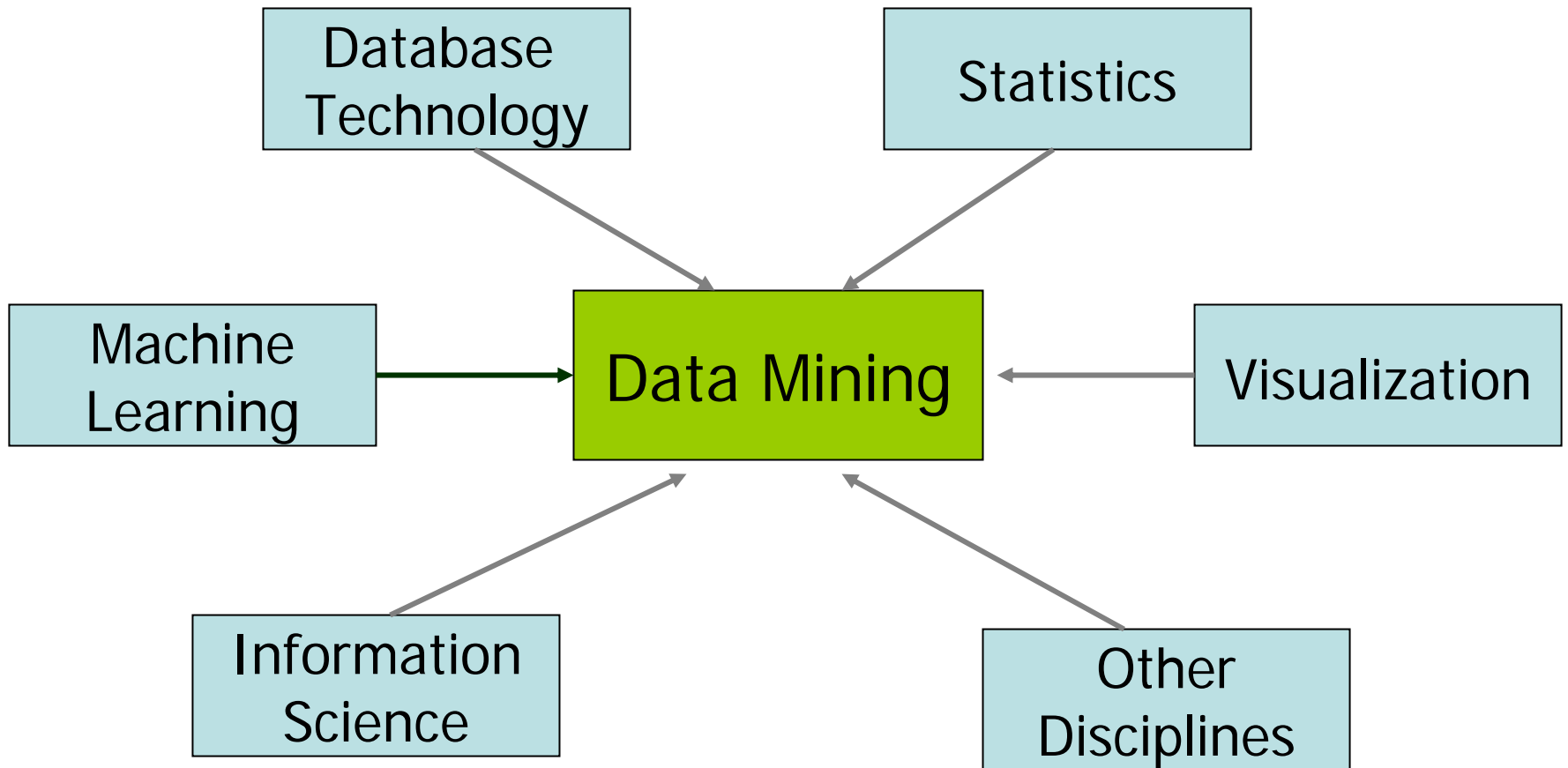
Evolution of Database Technology

- 1980s:
 - RDBMS, advanced data models (extended-relational, OO, deductive, etc.) and application-oriented DBMS (spatial, scientific, engineering, etc.)
- 1990s—2000s:
 - Data mining and data warehousing, multimedia databases, and Web databases

Short History of Data Mining

- **1989 - KDD term (Knowledge Discovery in Databases)** appears in (IJCAI Workshop)
- **1991** - a collection of research papers edited by Piatetsky-Shapiro and Frawley
- **1993 – Association Rule Mining Algorithm APRIORI** proposed by Agraval, Imielinski and Swami.
- **1996 – present: KDD** evolves as a conjunction of different knowledge areas (data bases, machine learning, statistics, artificial intelligence) and the term **Data Mining** becomes popular

Data Mining: Confluence of Multiple Disciplines

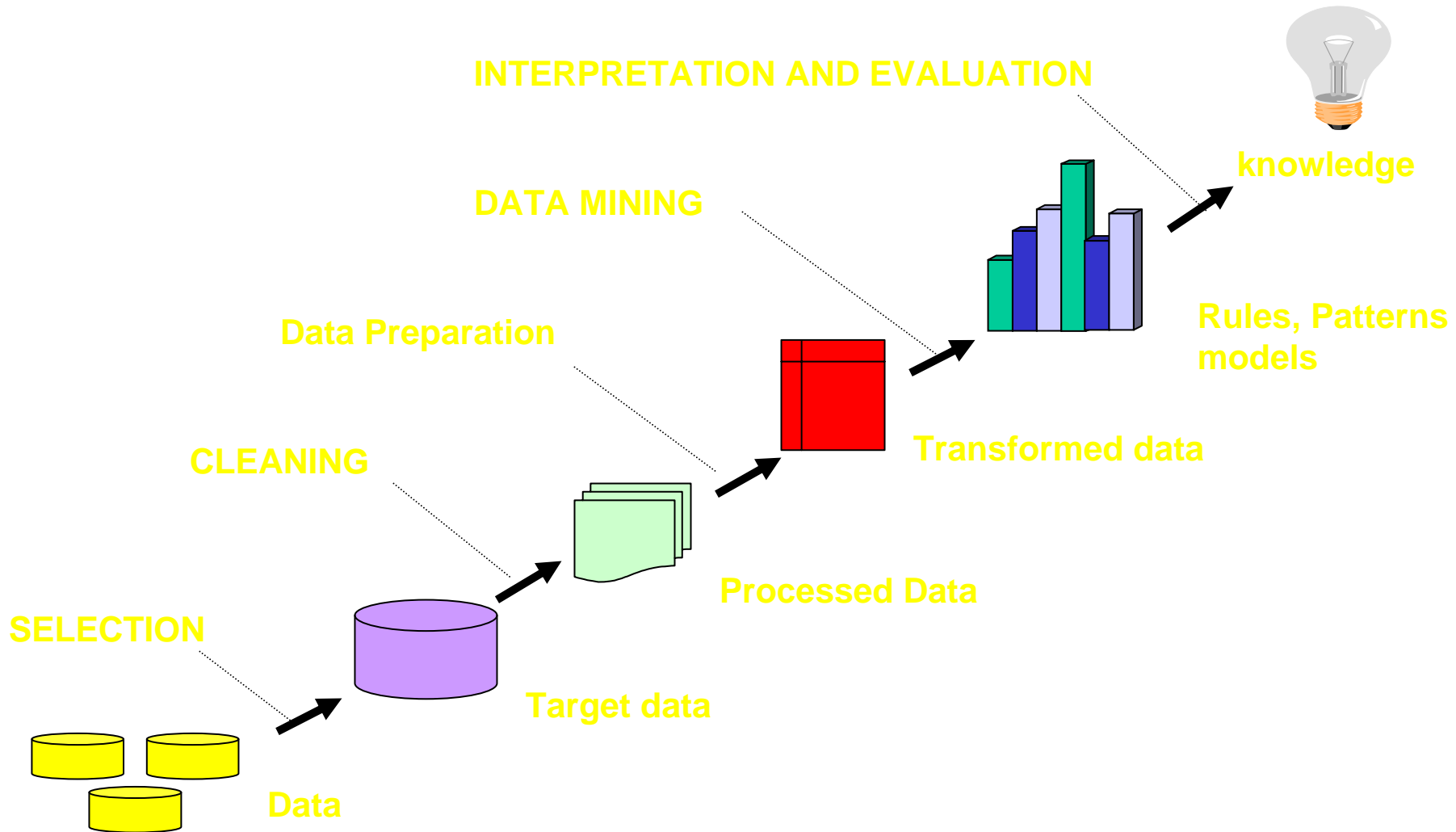


KDD process Definition

[Piatetsky-Shapiro 97]

- **KDD** is a non trivial process for identification of :
 - Valid
 - New
 - Potentially useful
 - Understable
 - patterns in data

The KDD process



DM: Data Mining

- **DM** is a step of the KDD process in which algorithms are applied to look for patterns in data
- We use term **DATA MINING PROPER** for DM the step in KDD Process
- We use **DATA MINING process** term for KDD process
- It is necessary to apply first the preprocessing operation to clean and preprocess the data in order to obtain significant patterns

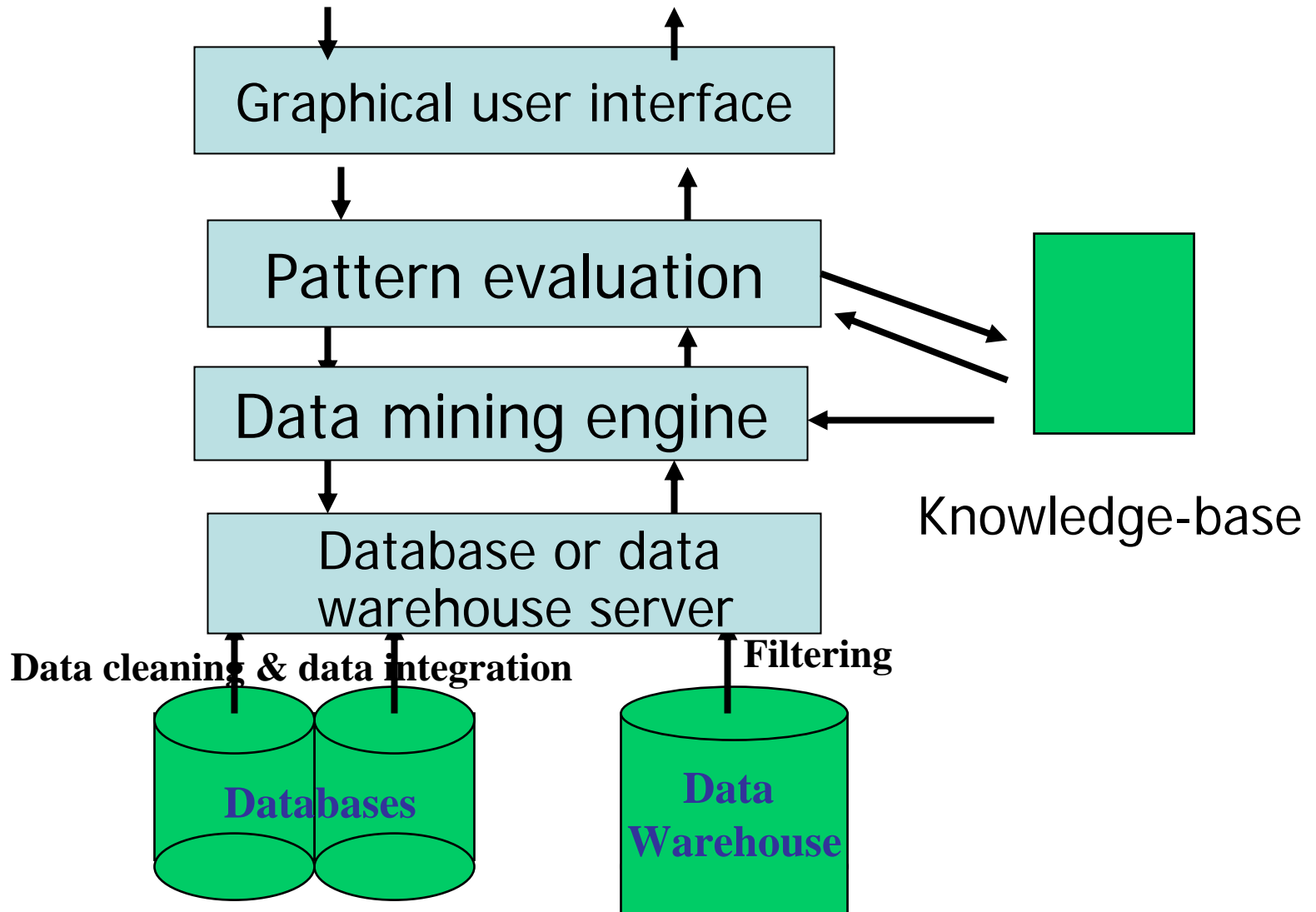
KDD vs DM

- **KDD** is a term used by Academia
- **DM** is a often a commercial term
- DM term is also being used in Academia, as it has become a “brand name” for both KDD process and its DM sub-process
- The important point is to see **Data Mining as a process, with Data Mining Proper as part of it**

Steps of the KDD (or DM) process

- **Preprocessing:** includes all the operations that have to be performed before a data mining algorithm is applied
- **Data Mining (proper):** knowledge discovery algorithms are applied in order to obtain the patterns
- **Interpretation:** discovered patterns are presented in a proper format and the user decides if it is necessary to re-iterate the algorithms

Architecture of a Typical Data Mining System



Data Mining: On What Kind of Data?

- Relational Databases
- Data warehouses
- Transactional_databases
- Advanced DB and information repositories
 - Object-oriented and object-relational databases
 - Spatial databases
 - Time-series data and temporal data
 - Text databases and multimedia databases
 - Heterogeneous and legacy databases
 - WWW

Descriptive Data Mining: concept, class description

- **Concept** – is defined semantically as any subset of records.
 - We often define the concept by distinguishing a concept, or CLASS, decision, attribute **c** and its value **v**
 - In this case **the concept (class) description** is syntactically written as : **c=v** and we define:
 - **CONCEPT={records: c=v}**
 - For example: **climate=wet** (*description of the concept of WET CLIMATE*)
 - **CONCEPT={records: climate=wet}**
 - We use word: **decision attribute, class attribute, concept attribute**
 - We talk about concept, class, or decision DESCRIPTION **c=v**,
 - Hence descriptive data mining
- REMEMBER:** all definitions are relative to the database we deal with.

Descriptive DM

Concept characteristics

- **Concept C characteristics** is a set of attributes a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k , and their respective values v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k that are characteristic for a given concept C , such that
- $\{\text{records: } a_1=v_1 \ \& \ a_2=v_2 \ \& \ \dots \ \& \ a_k=v_k\} \wedge C$ is a non empty set
- **Characteristics description of C** is then syntactically written as

$$a_1=v_1 \ \& \ a_2=v_2 \ \& \ \dots \ \& \ a_k=v_k$$

Characterization

- ***Describes the process which aim is to find rules that describe characteristic properties of a concept. They take the form***

If concept then characteristics

- **$C=1 \rightarrow A=1 \ \& \ B=3$ 25%** (support: there are 25% of the records for which the rule is true)
- **$C=1 \rightarrow A=1 \ \& \ B=4$ 17%**
- **$C=1 \rightarrow A=0 \ \& \ B=2$ 16%**

Discrimination

- *It is the process which aim is to find rules that allow us to **discriminate** the objects (records) belonging to a given concept (one class) from the rest of records (classes)*

– If characteristics then concept

- **A=0 & B=1 → C=1** 33% 83% (support, confidence: the conditional probability of the concept given the characteristics)
- **A=2 & B=0 → C=1** 27% 80%
- **A=1 & B=1 → C=1** 12% 76%
- Discriminant rule can be good even if it has a low support (and high confidence)

Classification, Supervised learning

- **Classification and Classification Prediction** is called **Supervised learning**
 - **CLASSIFICATION (supervised learning):**
 - Finding models (**rules**) that describe (**characterize**) or/ and distinguish (**discriminate**) classes or concepts for future prediction
 - **Example:** classify countries based on climate (characteristics), or classify cars based on gas mileage and use it to predict classification of a new car
 - **Models, algorithms, methods:** decision-tree (descriptive), neural network, Bayes Network (statistical) , Rough Sets (descriptive), genetic algorithms
 - **Presentation of results:** characteristic and /or discriminant rules
 - In case of **descriptive DM**
 - converged network (Neural, Bayes) in case of **Statistical DM**

Statistical DM, Clustering

- **Statistical Prediction** - predict some unknown or missing numerical values
- **Cluster analysis (statistical)**
 - Class label is unknown: Group data to form new classes- **unsupervised learning**
 - For example: cluster houses to find distribution patterns
 - **Clustering** is based on the principle:
 - **maximizing** the intra-class similarity and **minimizing** the interclass similarity

Statistical DM

- **Outlier analysis (statistical)**
 - **Outlier:** a data object that does not comply with the general behavior of the data
 - It can be considered as noise or exception but is quite useful in fraud detection, rare events analysis

Statistical DM

- **Trend and evolution analysis (statistical)**
 - Trend and deviation: regression analysis
 - Sequential pattern mining, periodicity analysis
 - Similarity-based analysis
- **Other pattern-directed or statistical analyses**

Classification

Supervised Learning

- Given a set of objects (**concept, class**) described by a concept attribute or a set of attributes, a classification algorithm builds a set of **discriminant and /or characterization rules** (or other descriptions in case of Statistical methods) in order to be able,
- as the next step, to **classify unknown sets of objects**
- This is also called a **supervised learning**

Classification Methods, Models, Algorithms

(Chapter 6)

- Decision Trees (ID3, C4.5) – descriptive
- Neural Networks -statistical
- Rough Sets – descriptive
- Bayesian Networks- statistical
- Genetic Algorithms- can be both, mainly optimizationmethod

Association Model (chapter 5)

Problem Statement

- $I = \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n\}$ a set of **items**
- **Transaction T**: set of items, **T** is subset of **I**
- **Data Base**: set of transactions
- An association rule is an implication of the form : **$X \rightarrow Y$** , where **X, Y** are **disjoint** subsets of **T**
- **Problem**: Find association rules that have support and confidence greater than user-specified minimum support and minimum confidence

Association Rules

- **Confidence:** a rule $X \rightarrow Y$ holds in the database D with a confidence c if the $c\%$ of transactions in D that contain X also contain Y
- **Support:** a rule $X \rightarrow Y$ has a support s in D if $s\%$ of transactions contain XUY

Association Rules

- **Association rules presentation (predicate presentation)**
 - Multi-dimensional vs. single-dimensional association
 - **Multi-dimensional:**
 - **$\text{age}(X, \text{"20..29"}) \wedge \text{income}(X, \text{"20..29K"}) \rightarrow \text{buys}(X, \text{"PC"})$**
[support = 2%, confidence = 60%]
 - **Single-dimensional:**
 - **$\text{buys}(x, \text{"computer"}) \rightarrow \text{buys}(x, \text{"software"})$** [1%, 75%]
 - **Association rules presentation (non-predicate presentation)**
 - **Age = 20..29 \wedge income=20..29K \rightarrow buys=PC (2%, 60%)**
 - **Buys=computer \rightarrow buys=software (1%,75%)**

Association Rules

- The problem of association rule discovery can be split into three sub-problems:
 1. Find the set of products (records) that have the minimum support required
 2. Find **frequent** sets
 3. Use the frequent sets to generate rules

Clustering

- Database segmentation
- Given a set of objects (records) the algorithm obtains a division of the objects into clusters in which the distance of objects inside a cluster is minimal and the distance among objects of different clusters is maximal
- Unsupervised learning

Other Statistical Methods

chapter 6

- Regression
- Temporal Series
- Lazy learners
- Support Vector Machines

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Major Issues in Data Mining (1)

- Mining methodology and user interaction
 - Mining different kinds of knowledge in databases
 - Interactive mining of knowledge at multiple levels of abstraction
 - Incorporation of background knowledge
 - Data mining query languages and ad-hoc data mining
 - Expression and visualization of data mining results

Major Issues in Data Mining (2)

- Handling noise and incomplete data
- Pattern evaluation: the interestingness problem

- Performance and scalability

 - Efficiency and scalability of data mining algorithms

 - Parallel, distributed and incremental mining methods

Major Issues in Data Mining (3)

- Issues relating to the diversity of data types
 - Handling relational and complex types of data
 - Mining information from heterogeneous databases and global information systems (WWW)
- Issues related to applications and social impacts
 - Application of discovered knowledge
 - Domain-specific data mining tools
 - Intelligent query answering
 - Process control and decision making
 - Integration of the discovered knowledge with existing knowledge: A knowledge fusion problem
 - Protection of data security, integrity, and privacy

SUMMARY

- **Data mining: discovering comprehensible, interesting patterns from large amounts of data**
- **A natural evolution of database technology, in great demand, with wide applications**
- **A **KDD process**, or **DM process** includes data cleaning, data integration, data selection, transformation, **data mining proper** , pattern evaluation, and knowledge presentation**
- **Mining can be performed in a variety of information repositories**

SUMMARY

- Data mining functionalities:
characterization, discrimination,
association, classification, clustering,
outlier and trend analysis, etc.
- Classification of data mining systems
- Major issues in data mining

Preprocessing

Introduction to chapter 2

Preprocessing

- Select, integrate, and clean the data
- Decide which kind of patterns are needed
- Decide which algorithm is the best.
- It depends on many factors
- Prepare data for algorithms
- Different algorithms accept different data format

Implementation Preparation

- Identify the problem to be solved.
- Study it in detail
- Explore the solution space,
- Find one acceptable solution (feasible to implement)
- Specify the solution
- Prepare the data

Preparation

- Remember GIGO! (garbage in garbage out)
- Add some data, if necessary
- Structure the data in a proper form
- Be careful with incomplete and noisy data

Some implementation preparation rules to follow

- Select the problem
- Specify the problem
- Study the data
- The problem must guide the search for tools and technologies
- Search for the simplest model (algorithm, method)
- Define for each data the solution is valid, where it is not valid at all and where it is valid with some constraints

Studying the data

- The surrounding world consists of objects ,(data) and the DM problem is to find the relationships among objects
- The objects are characterized by properties
- (attributes, values of attributes)
that have to be analyzed
- The results (rules, descriptions) are valid
(true) under certain circumstances (data) and in
certain moments (available data at the moment)

Measures

- Type of data decides a way in which data are analyzed and preprocessed
 - Names (attributes)
 - Categories, classes, class attributes
 - Ordered values of attributes
 - Intervals of values of attributes
 - Types of values of attributes

Types of data

- Generally we distinguish:
 - Quantitative Data
 - Qualitative Data
- Bivaluated: often very useful
- Null Values are not applicable
- Missing data usually not acceptable
- NN networks, and Bayes accepts some missing data.

What to take into account

- Eliminate redundant records
- Eliminate out of range values of attributes
- **Decide a generalization level**
- Consistency

Other preprocessing tasks

- Generalization vs specification
- Discretization
- Sampling
- Reducing number of attributes at the preprocessing stage

Summary

- The preprocessing is usually required and is an essential part of the DM process
- If preprocessing is not performed patterns obtained could be of no use.
- Preprocessing is a tedious task that could even take more time than DM proper

APPROACHES TO DATA MINING

Approaches

- **Mathematics:** Consist in the creation of mathematical models, algorithms, methods, to extract rules, regularities and patterns
- Rough Sets is the most precise model
- **Statistics:** They are focused in the creation of statistical models to analyse data. (Regression, Bayesian networks, NN, Clustering)

Statistical methods

- Numerical data are needed
- Descriptive statistics is also often used in preprocessing steps to study the sample
- Hypothesis validation and regression analysis are used in data mining steps of the process

Decision trees

- Discovering discriminant rules
- **DESCRIPTIVE** Data Mining
- Successive division of the set of data
- This is a **CLASSIFICATION** method
- They work better when attributes have a small set of values

A priori Algorithm

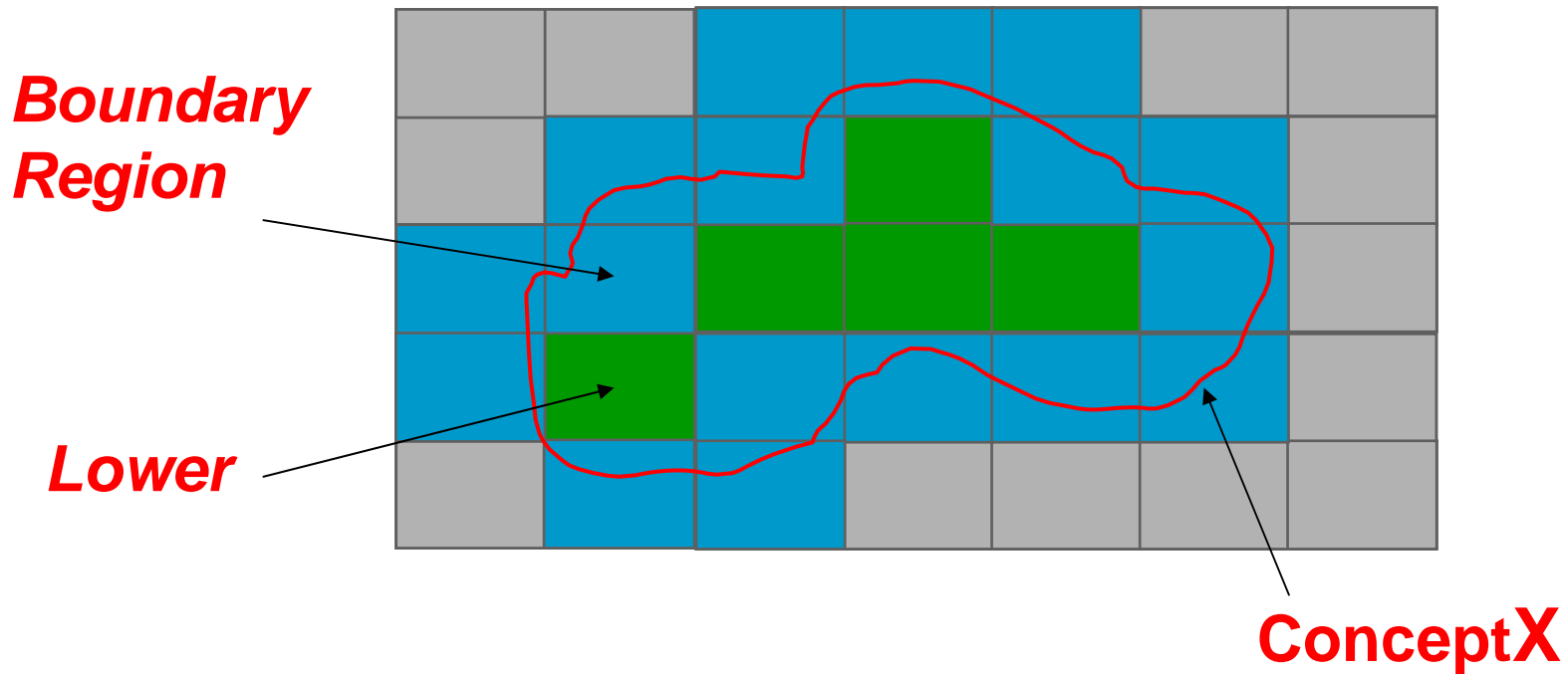
- Agrawal (IBM S. José. California).
- It is an intuitive and efficient algorithm to extract associations from transactions
- Also used as Classification (descriptive) algorithm (classification by association)
- Iterates until the associations obtained don't have the required support

Rough Sets

Descriptive Classification

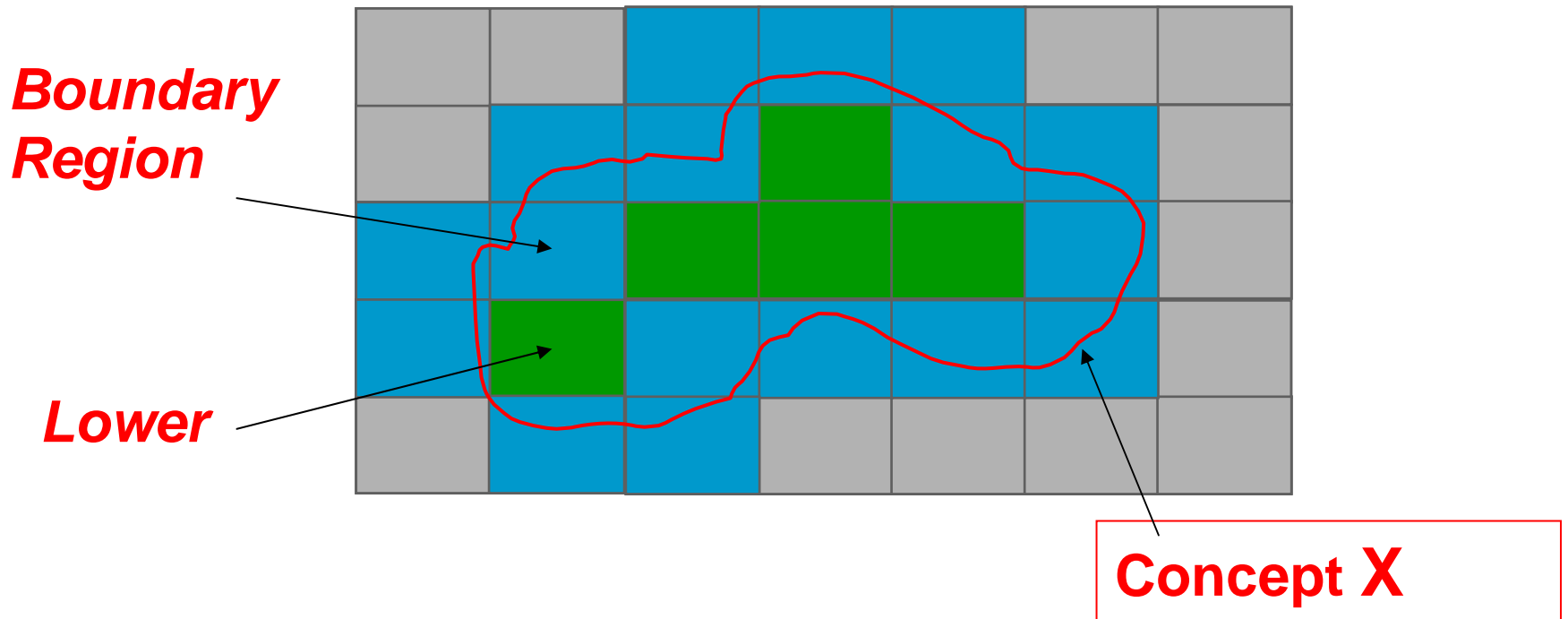
- Approximation space $A=(U,IND(B))$:
 - *Lower Approximation* $\underline{X}_B = \{o \in U / [o] \subseteq X\}$
 - *Upper Approximation* $\overline{X}_B = \{o \in U / [o] \cap X \neq \emptyset\}$
 - *Boundary Region* $Bnd(X)_B = \overline{X}_B - \underline{X}_B$
 - *Positive Region*: $POS_B(D) = \bigcup \{\overline{X} : X \in IND(D)\}$

Rough Sets



$$\text{Boundary} + \text{Lower} = \text{Upper}$$

Rough Sets



$$\text{Boundary} + \text{Lower} = \text{Upper}$$

Variable Precision Rough Set Model



$$c(X, Y) = \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 - \mathit{card}(X \cap Y) / \mathit{card}(X) \end{cases} \quad \text{if } \begin{cases} \mathit{card}(X) = 0 \\ \mathit{card}(X) > 0 \end{cases}$$

Rough Sets in SQL

```
Begin UPPER
setdb(dbName);
exec(conn, "BEGIN");

"DECLARE classes CLASSES FOR
SELECT C1, . . . . ., CN, D, COUNT (*) AS cnt
FROM R
GROUP BY C1, . . . . ., CN, D
ORDER BY C1, . . . . ., CN, D, CNT desc");

while not_end_records() do
    equ_class=exec("FETCH 1 IN cursor");
    first_decision_value=get_value(equ_class("D"));
    insert(equ_class, upper[first_decision_value]);
    while (equ_class == exec("FETCH 1 IN cursor")) do
        decision_value=get_value(equ_class("D"));
        insert(equ_class, upper[first_decision_value]);
    end while
end while
End UPPER
```

Statistical Methods

- **Neural Network:** statistical CLASSIFICATION algorithm
- the network is trained to obtain classification patterns

- **Clustering:** form groups of objects without any previous hypothesis

Genetic Algorithms

- **Optimization method**
- They should be used when the goal is to find an optimal solution in solution space
- They often are used together with neural networks, or other methods to produce more understable (optimal) outputs
- They also are used to find the optimal set of discriminant and/or characteristic rules for a given database and given class (set of classes)

Classification: requirements

- Decision attribute; called also class, concept attribute
- Condition attributes (rest of the attributes or its subset)
- Some require numerical data but there are algorithms to deal with any kind of data.

Association: requirements

- There is not needed to specify right and left side of the rules
- There are algorithms to tackle any kind of data
- Minimum support
- Maximum number of rules to be obtain

Clustering: requirements

- Set of attributes
- Maximum number of clusters
- Number of iterations
- Minimum number of elements in any cluster