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Data Mining

Concepts and Techniques

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1. Objectives

- Large amount of data kept in data files, databases, and web servers:
 - Structured data
 - Unstructured data
- Users are expecting more information from these data
- Marketing managers are interested in customers' purchase behavior
- Simple structured/query language queries are not adequate to extract hidden information:
 - Traditional SQL statements only retrieve a subset of the database.
- Evolution of database technology:

**Hierarchical → Network → Relational → Extended
Relational → Semantic DB → (ORDBMS, OODBMS)**

- Overall advancement of computing

2. What is Data Mining?

- Mining ‘Gold’ from ‘Rocks’
- Simple Definition: Extract or “mine” knowledge from large amount of data.
- Data mining (knowledge discovery from data)
 - Extraction of interesting (non-trivial, implicit, previously unknown and potentially useful) patterns or knowledge from huge amount of data
- Alternative names
 - Knowledge discovery (mining) in databases (KDD), knowledge extraction, data/pattern analysis, data archeology, data dredging, information harvesting, business intelligence, etc.
- Watch out: Is everything “data mining”?
 - (Deductive) query processing.
 - Expert systems or small ML/statistical programs

3. Knowledge Discovery Process

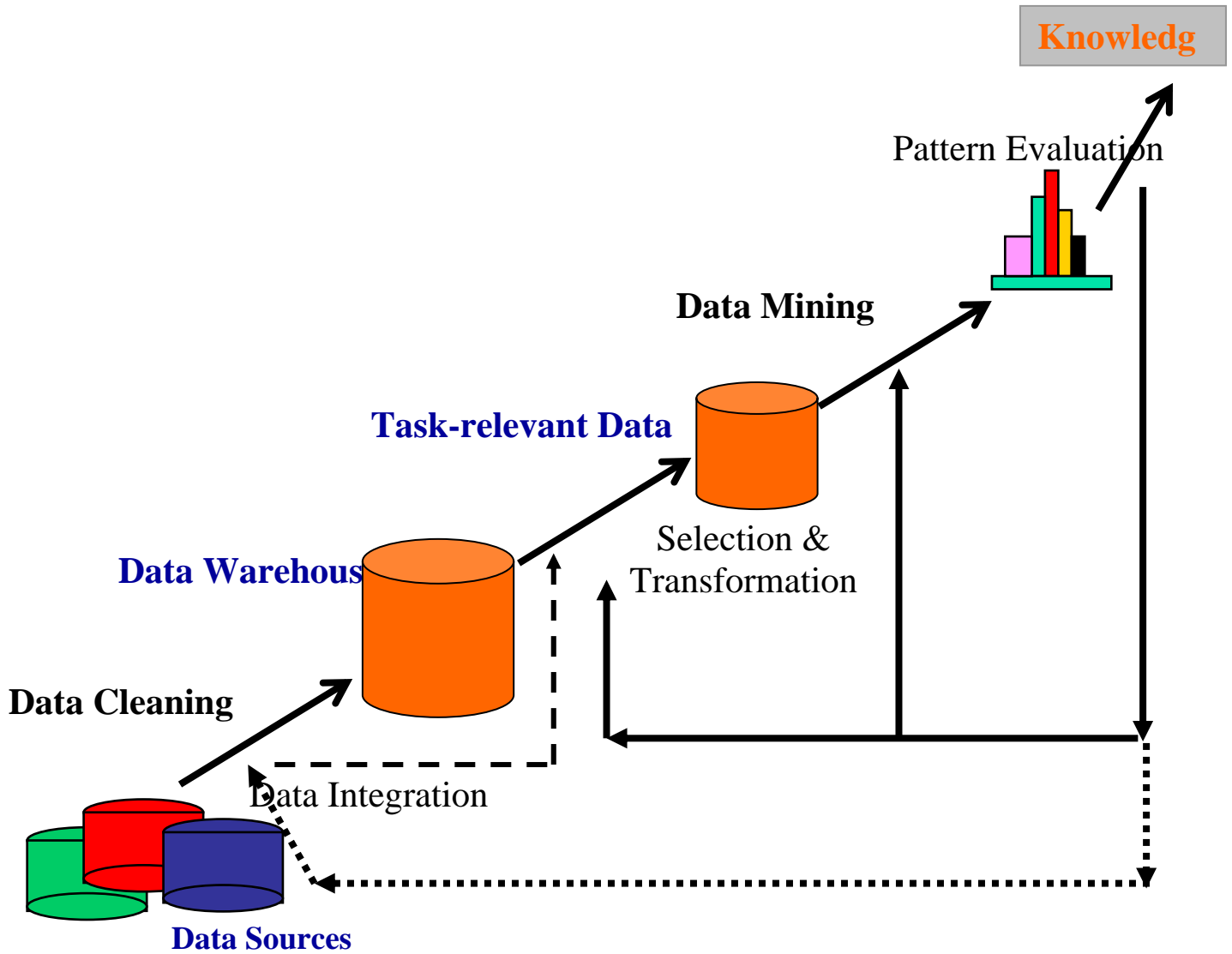


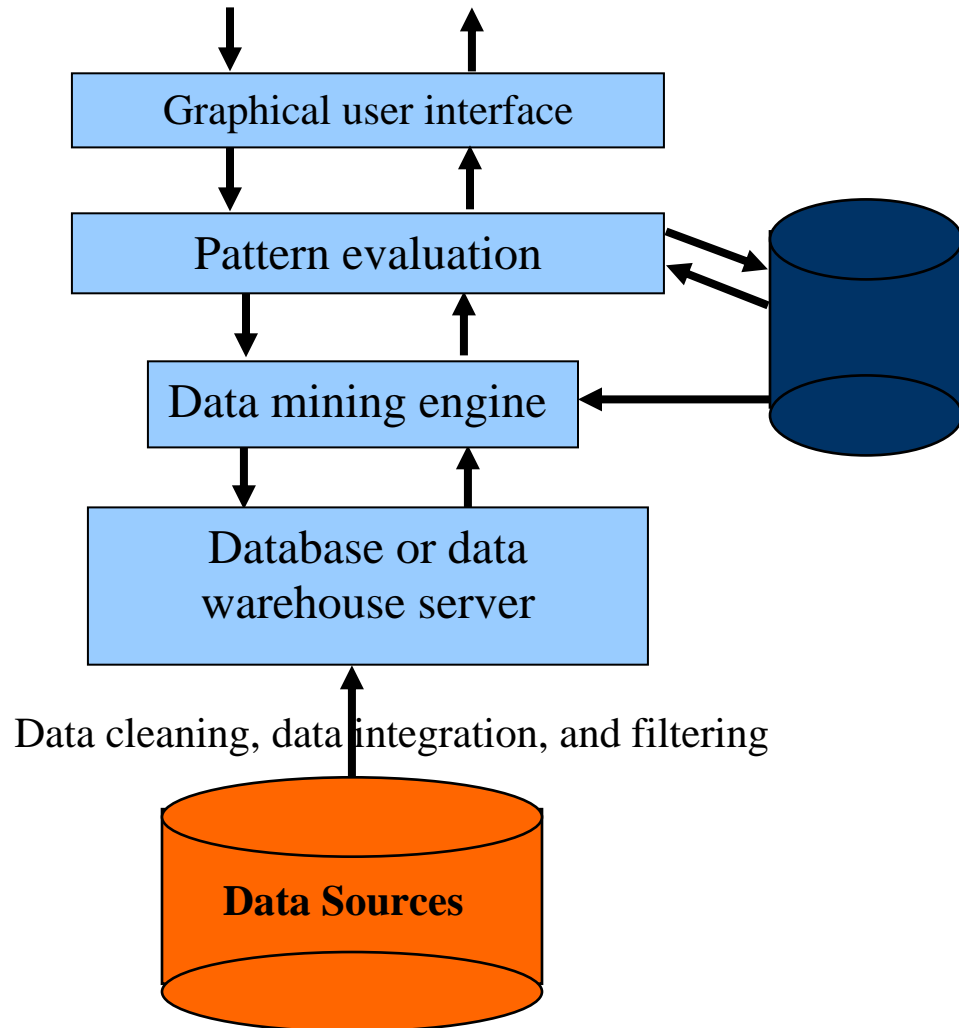
Figure 1.4 of the textbook (Modified)

- Learning the application domain
 - Relevant prior knowledge and goals of application
- Data Cleaning: Remove noise data and irrelevant data (stopwords in case of unstructured data)
- Data Integration: Combine multiple data sources
- Data Selection: Get data relevant to the task to be analyzed
- Data Reduction and Transformation: Prepare data in a form appropriate for mining:
 - Represent a text file as a vector
 - Find useful features
 - Reduce your space (dimensionality/variable).
- Data Mining: a process to extract data patterns, e.g., summarization, classification, regression, association, clustering.
- Pattern Evaluation: Evaluate the output of the data mining process.
- Knowledge Representation: Techniques to visualize mined knowledge.

4. KD Process Example

- Web Log Mining
 - Selection:
 - Select log data (dates and location) to use
 - Preprocessing:
 - Remove identifying URLs
 - Remove error logs
 - Transformation:
 - Sessionize (sort and group)
 - Data Mining:
 - Construct data structure
 - Create frequent sequences
 - Interpretation/Evaluation:
 - Cache prediction
 - Personalization

5. Typical Data Mining Architecture



6. Database vs. Data Mining

Query: - Well defined SQL	Query: - Poorly defined No precise query language
Data: - Operational data	Data: - Not operational data
Output: - Precise Subset of database	Output: - Fuzzy - Not a subset of database

- Query Example:
 - Database:
 - ✓ Find all credit applicants with last name of Smith.
 - ✓ Identify customers who have purchase more than \$10,000 in last month.
 - ✓ Find all customers who have purchased milk
 - Data Mining:
 - ✓ Find all credit applicants who are poor credit risks. (Classification)
 - ✓ Identify customers with similar buying habits. (Clustering)
 - ✓ Find all items that are frequently purchased with milk. (Association rules)

7. Data Mining: On What kind of Data?

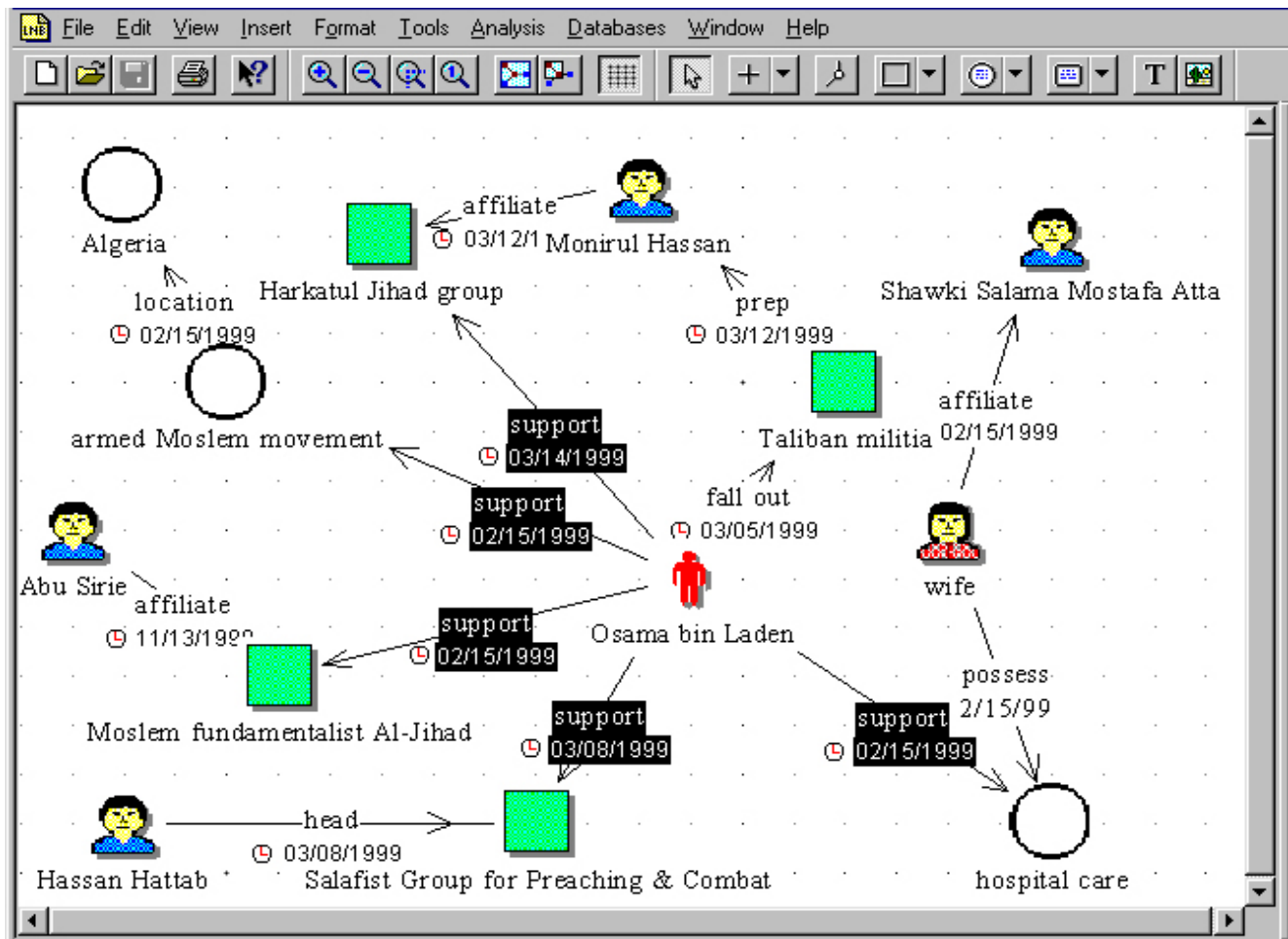
- Database
- Data warehouse
- Transactional database
- Object-oriented database
- Object-relational database
- Spatial data
- Temporal data and Time-series data
- Multimedia database
- Text Collections
- WWW

8. Potential Applications

8.1. Market analysis and management

- Where does the data come from?
 - Credit card transactions, loyalty cards, discount coupons, customer complaint calls, plus (public) lifestyle studies
- Target marketing
 - Find clusters of “model” customers who share the same characteristics: interest, income level, spending habits, etc.
 - Determine customer purchasing patterns over time
- Cross-market analysis
 - Associations/co-relations between product sales, & prediction based on such association
- Customer profiling
 - What types of customers buy what products (clustering or classification)
- Customer requirement analysis
 - Identifying the best products for different customers
 - Predict what factors will attract new customers
- Provision of summary information
 - Multidimensional summary reports
 - Statistical summary information (data central tendency and variation)
- Risk analysis and management

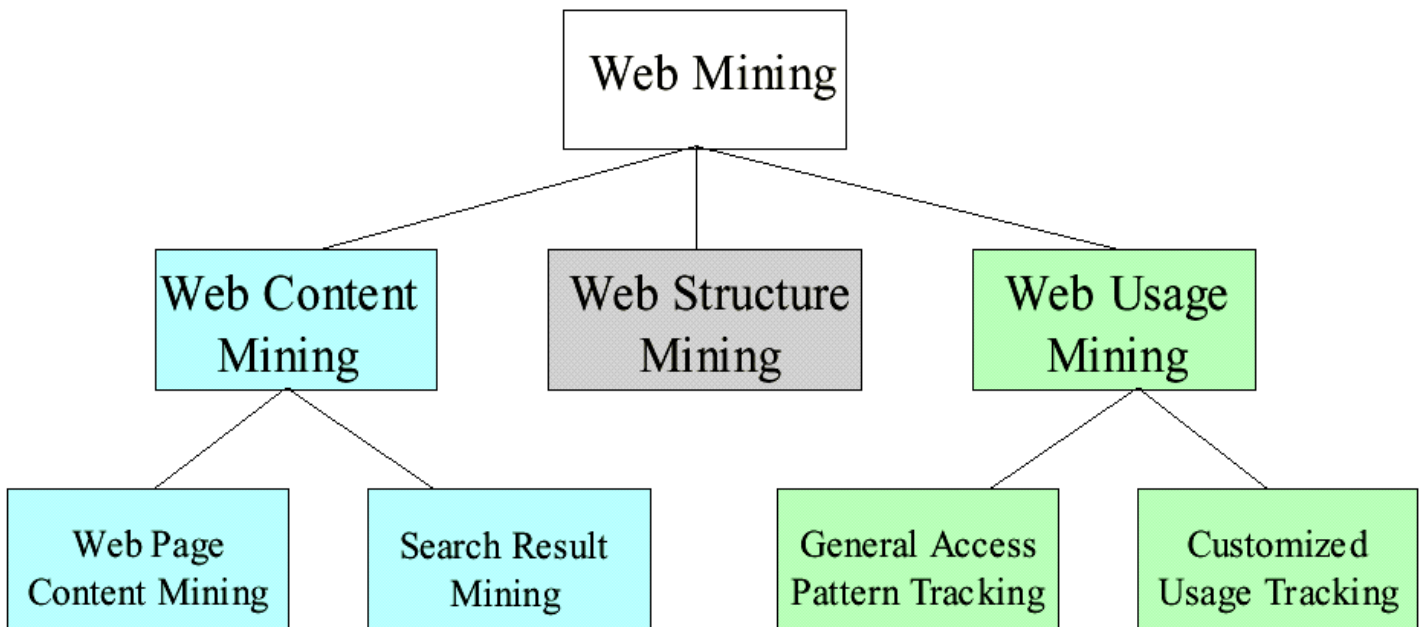
- Forecasting
 - Customer retention
 - Improved underwriting
 - Competitive analysis
- Fraud detection and detection of unusual patterns (outliers)
 - Detect unusual patterns
 - Anti-Terrorism
 - Intrusion detection in network security.
 - Detection of credit card fraud.
 - Money Laundering: Detect suspicious money transactions.
 - Example: Terrorist Network [Ted Senator 2001]



8.2. Web Mining

- Web content: Text + Links
- Help web architects understand users needs
- User profiling
- Site structure

- Taxonomy:



- **Web Usage Mining**
 - Analyze web log to mine web users behavior (search engine, e-commerce, etc.)
 - Web personalization / collaborative filtering
 - Detection of new emerging research areas
 - Re-structure web sites based on users' needs
 - e-business intelligence, e-CRM, etc.
- **Web Content Mining**
 - Information filtering / knowledge extraction
 - Web document categorization
 - Detection of web categories and topics on the Web
- **Web Structure Mining**
 - Finding "Quality" or "authoritative" sites based on linkage and citation
 - ✓ IBM CLEVER project
 - ✓ Google

8.3. Text Mining

- Message filtering (e-mail, newsgroups, etc.)
- Newspaper articles analysis
- Text and document categorization

9. Data Mining Systems and Tools

- See www.kdnuggets.com
 - Oracle: Darwin
 - IBM: Intelligence Miner
 - SAS: Enterprise Miner
 - Business Objects
 - SPSS: Clementine
 - Xchange: e-CRM
 - Microsoft: SQL Server 2000
 - Weka
 - Etc.

10. Data Mining Functionalities

- Concept description: Characterization and discrimination
 - Generalize, summarize, and contrast data characteristics, e.g., dry vs. wet regions
- Association (correlation and causality)
 - Diaper → Beer [0.5%, 75%]
- Classification and Prediction
 - Construct models (functions) that describe and distinguish classes or concepts for future prediction
 - E.g., classify countries based on climate, or classify cars based on gas mileage
 - Presentation: decision-tree, classification rule, neural network
 - Predict some unknown or missing numerical values
- Cluster analysis

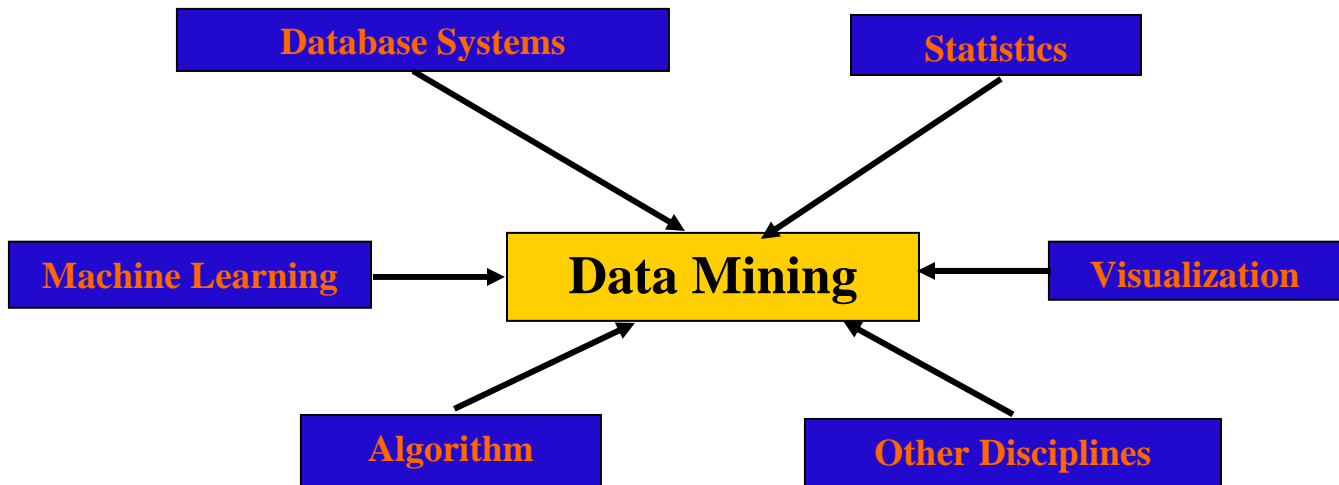
- Class label is unknown: Group data to form new classes, e.g., cluster houses to find distribution patterns
- Maximizing intra-class similarity & minimizing interclass similarity

- Outlier analysis
 - Outlier: a data object that does not comply with the general behavior of the data
 - Noise or exception? No! Useful in fraud detection, rare events analysis

- Trend and evolution analysis
 - Trend and deviation: regression analysis
 - Sequential pattern mining, periodicity analysis
 - Similarity-based analysis

- Other pattern-directed or statistical analyses

11. Data Mining: A multi-disciplinary area



12. Are All of the Patterns Interesting?

- Typically, thousands of patterns might be generated.
- How to get interesting patterns?
- What is an interesting pattern?
 - If it is easily understood by humans
 - Valid on new or test data with some degree of certainty,
 - Potentially useful
 - Novel, or validates some hypothesis that a user seeks to confirm

- **Objective vs. subjective interestingness measures**

- Objective: based on statistics and structures of patterns,
- Example: support and confidence

- Association rules:

- Given an association rule: $X \rightarrow Y$

- Rule support represents the percentage of transactions from a transaction database that the given rule satisfies.

- Formally, it is the following probability:

$$P(XUY)$$

Where $X \cup Y$ indicates a transaction that contains both X and Y .

- Formally, it is denoted:

$$\text{support}(X \rightarrow Y) = P(X \cup Y)$$

- Confidence rules:
 - Given an association rule: $X \rightarrow Y$
 - It assesses the degree of certainty of the detected association.
 - Formally, it is the conditional probability:

$P(Y|X)$ = The probability that a transaction containing X also contains Y .

- Formally, it is denoted:

$$\text{confidence}(X \rightarrow Y) = P(Y|X)$$

- Subjective: based on user's belief in the data, e.g., unexpectedness, novelty, actionability, etc.

13. Major Issues in Data Mining

- Mining methodology
 - Mining different kinds of knowledge from diverse data types, e.g., bio, stream, Web
 - Performance: efficiency, effectiveness, and scalability
 - Pattern evaluation: the interestingness problem
 - Incorporation of background knowledge
 - Handling noise and incomplete data
 - Parallel, distributed and incremental mining methods
 - Integration of the discovered knowledge with existing one: knowledge fusion
- User interaction
 - Data mining query languages and ad-hoc mining
 - Expression and visualization of data mining results
 - Interactive mining of knowledge at multiple levels of abstraction
- Applications and social impacts
 - Domain-specific data mining & invisible data mining
 - Protection of data security, integrity, and privacy

14. Sample Datasets

- Document Collection: [duc_nist_sample_text.txt](#)
- 20 newsgroup
- Web Log: [weblog_sample.txt](#)
- Enron Data
- Intrusion data
- Medical data: [Cancer Data](#)