

Machine Learning and Data Mining

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Acronyms

BI Business Intelligence

DM Data Mart

DSS Decision Support System

DWH Data Warehouse

EIS Executive Information System

ERP Enterprise Resource Planning

MIS Management Information System

OLAP On-Line Analytical Processing

OLTP On-Line Transaction Processing

1 Introduction

1.1 Data

Data Collection of raw values.

Data

Information Organized data (e.g. relationships, context, ...).

Information

Knowledge Understanding information.

Knowledge

1.1.1 Data sources

Transaction Business event that generates or modifies data in an information system (e.g. database).

Transaction

Signal Measure produced by a sensor.

Signal

External subjects

1.1.2 Software

On-Line Transaction Processing (OLTP) Class of programs to support transaction oriented applications and data storage. Suitable for real-time applications.

On-Line Transaction Processing

Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Integrated system to manage all the processes of a business. Uses a shared database for all applications. Suitable for real-time applications.

Enterprise Resource Planning

1.1.3 Insight

Decision can be classified as:

Structured Established and well understood situations. What is needed is known.

Structured decision

Unstructured Unplanned and unclear situations. What is needed for the decision is unknown.

Unstructured decision

Different levels of insight can be extracted by:

Management Information System (MIS) Standardized reporting system built on existing OLTP. Used for structured decisions.

Management Information System

Decision Support System (DSS) Analytical system to provide support for unstructured decisions.

Decision Support System

Executive Information System (EIS) Formulate high level decisions that impact the organization.

Executive Information System

On-Line Analytical Processing (OLAP) Grouped analysis of multidimensional data. Involves large amount of data.

On-Line Analytical Processing

Business Intelligence (BI) Applications, infrastructure, tools and best practices to analyze information.

Business Intelligence

Big data Large and/or complex and/or fast changing collection of data that traditional DBMSs are unable to process.

Big data

Structured e.g. relational tables.

Unstructured e.g. videos.

Semi-structured e.g. JSON.

Analytics Structured decision driven by data.

Analytics

Data mining Discovery process for unstructured decisions.

Data mining

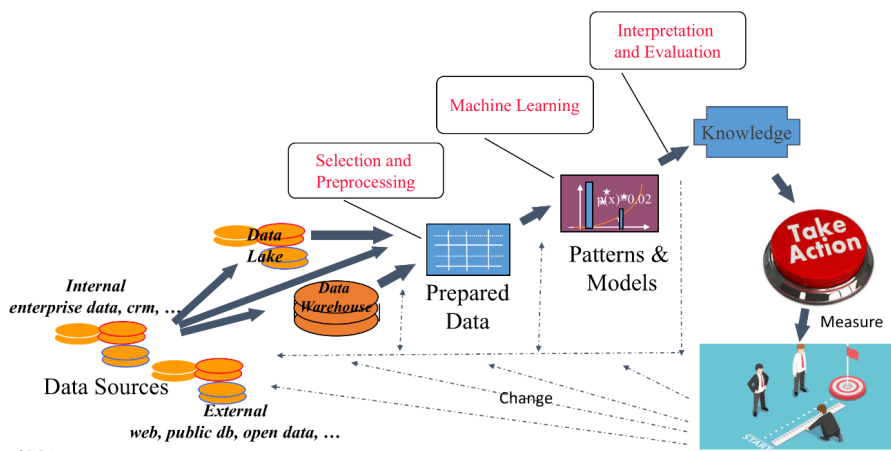


Figure 1.1: Data mining process

Machine learning Learning models and algorithms that allow to extract patterns from data.

Machine learning

2 Business Intelligence

Business Intelligence Transform raw data into information. Deliver the right information to the right people at the right time through the right channel. Business Intelligence

Data Warehouse (DWH) Optimized repository that stores information for decision making processes. DWHs are a specific type of DSS. Data Warehouse

Features:

- Subject-oriented: focused on enterprise specific concepts.
- Integrates data from different sources and provides an unified view.
- Non-volatile storage with change tracking.

Data Mart (DM) Subset of the primary DWH with information relevant to a specific business area. Data Mart