

# Principles of Knowledge Discovery in Data

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## **Chapter 4: Data Mining Operations**

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## Summary of Last Chapter

- What is the motivation behind data preprocessing?
- What is data cleaning and what is it for?
- What is data integration and what is it for?
- What is data transformation and what is it for?
- What is data reduction and what is it for?
- What is data discretization?
- How do we generate concept hierarchies?

## Course Content

- Introduction to Data Mining
- Data warehousing and OLAP
- Data cleaning
- **Data mining operations**
- Data summarization
- Association analysis
- Classification and prediction
- Clustering
- Web Mining
- Spatial and Multimedia Data Mining
- *Other topics if time permits*



## Chapter 4 Objectives

Realize the difference between data mining operations and become aware of the process of specifying data mining tasks.

Get an brief introduction to a query language for data mining: DMQL.

# Data Mining Operations Outline



- What is the motivation for ad-hoc mining process?
- What defines a data mining task?
- Can we define an ad-hoc mining language?

# Motivation for ad-hoc Mining

- Data mining: an interactive process
  - user directs the mining to be performed
- Users must be provided with a set of **primitives** to be used to communicate with the data mining system.
- By incorporating these primitives in a **data mining query language**
  - User's interaction with the system becomes more flexible
  - A foundation for the design of graphical user interface
  - Standardization of data mining industry and practice

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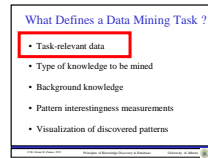
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# What Defines a Data Mining Task ?

- Task-relevant data
- Type of knowledge to be mined
- Background knowledge
- Pattern interestingness measurements
- Visualization of discovered patterns

## Task-Relevant Data

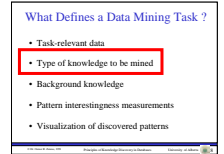
- Database or data warehouse name
- Database tables or data warehouse cubes
- Condition for data selection
- Relevant attributes or dimensions
- Data grouping criteria



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## Types of Knowledge to Be Mined

- Characterization
- Discrimination
- Association
- Classification/prediction
- Clustering
- Outlier analysis
- and so on ...



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## Background Knowledge

- Concept hierarchies
  - schema hierarchy
    - *Ex.* street < city < province\_or\_state < country
  - set-grouping hierarchy
    - *Ex.* {20-39} = young, {40-59} = middle\_aged
  - operation-derived hierarchy
    - e-mail address, login-name < department < university < country
  - rule-based hierarchy
    - low\_profit (X) <= price(X, P1) and cost (X, P2) and (P1 - P2) < \$50



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## Pattern Interestingness Measurements

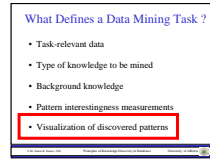
- Simplicity
  - Ex.* rule length
- Certainty
  - Ex.* confidence,  $P(A|B) = \text{Card}(A \cap B) / \text{Card}(B)$
- Utility
  - potential usefulness
  - Ex.* Support,  $P(A \cup B) = \text{Card}(A \cap B) / \# \text{ tuples}$
- Novelty
  - not previously known, surprising



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# Visualization of Discovered Patterns

- Different background/purpose may require different form of representation
  - Ex., rules, tables, crosstabs, pie/bar chart, etc.
- Concept hierarchies is also important
  - discovered knowledge might be more understandable when represented at high concept level.
  - Interactive drill up/down, pivoting, slicing and dicing provide different perspective to data.
- Different knowledge requires different representation.



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# A Data Mining Query Language (DMQL)

- Motivation
  - A DMQL can provide the ability to support ad-hoc and interactive data mining.
  - By providing a standardized language like SQL, we hope to achieve the same effect that SQL have on relational database.
- Design
  - DMQL is designed with the primitives described earlier.

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# Syntax for DMQL

- ❖ Syntax for specification of
  - task-relevant data
  - the kind of knowledge to be mined
  - concept hierarchy specification
  - interestingness measure
  - pattern presentation and visualization

- ❖ Putting it all together — a DMQL query

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## Syntax for Task-relevant Data Specification

- *use database* database\_name,  
or *use data warehouse* data\_warehouse\_name
- *from relation*(s)/cube(s) [*where* condition]
- *in relevance* to att\_or\_dim\_list
- *order by* order\_list
- *group by* grouping\_list
- *having* condition

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## Syntax for Specifying the Kind of Knowledge to be Mined

### ➤ Characterization

*mine characteristics* [*as* pattern\_name]  
*analyze* measure(s)

### ➤ Discrimination

*mine comparison* [*as* pattern\_name]  
*for* target\_class *where* target\_condition  
{*versus* contrast\_class\_i *where*  
contrast\_condition\_i}  
*analyze* measure(s)

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## Syntax for Specifying the Kind of Knowledge to be Mined

### ➤ Association

*mine associations* [*as* pattern\_name]

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## Syntax for Specifying the Kind of Knowledge to be Mined (Cont.)

### ➤ Classification

*mine classification* [*as* pattern\_name]  
*analyze* classifying\_attribute\_or\_dimension

### ➤ Prediction

*mine prediction* [*as* pattern\_name]  
*analyze* prediction\_attribute\_or\_dimension  
{*set* {attribute\_or\_dimension\_i = value\_i}}

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## Syntax for Concept Hierarchy Specification

- To specify what concept hierarchies to use  
**use hierarchy** <hierarchy> **for** <attribute\_or\_dimension>
- We use different syntax to define different type of hierarchies

- schema hierarchies

**define hierarchy** time\_hierarchy **on** date **as** [date,month quarter,year]

- set-grouping hierarchies

**define hierarchy** age\_hierarchy **for** age **on** customer **as**

level1: {*young, middle\_aged, senior*} < level0: all

level2: {20, ..., 39} < level1: *young*

level2: {40, ..., 59} < level1: *middle\_aged*

level2: {60, ..., 89} < level1: *senior*

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## Syntax for Concept Hierarchy Specification (Cont.)

- operation-derived hierarchies

**define hierarchy** age\_hierarchy **for** age **on** customer **as**  
{age\_category(1), ..., age\_category(5)} := cluster(default, age, 5) < all(age)

- rule-based hierarchies

**define hierarchy** profit\_margin\_hierarchy **on** item **as**

level\_1: low\_profit\_margin < level\_0: all

if (price - cost) ≤ \$50

level\_1: medium-profit\_margin < level\_0: all

if ((price - cost) > \$50) and ((price - cost) ≤ \$250)

level\_1: high\_profit\_margin < level\_0: all

if (price - cost) > \$250

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## Syntax for Interestingness Measure Specification

- Interestingness measures and thresholds can be specified by the user with the statement:

with <**interest\_measure\_name**> threshold =  
threshold\_value

- **Example:**

**with support threshold = 0.05**

**with confidence threshold = 0.7**

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## Syntax for Pattern Presentation and Visualization Specification

- We have syntax which allows users to specify the display of discovered patterns in one or more forms.

**display as** <result\_form>

- To facilitate interactive viewing at different concept levels, the following syntax is defined:

Multilevel\_Manipulation ::= *roll up on* attribute\_or\_dimension  
| *drill down on* attribute\_or\_dimension  
| *add* attribute\_or\_dimension  
| *drop* attribute\_or\_dimension

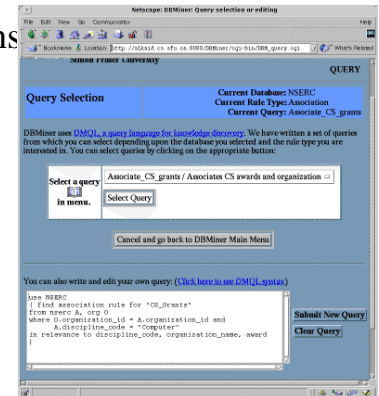
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# Putting It All Together: the Full Specification of a DMQL Query

use database **OurVideoStore\_db**  
use hierarchy **location\_hierarchy** for **B.address**  
mine characteristics as **customerRenting**  
analyze **count%**  
in relevance to **C.age, I.type, I.place\_made**  
from **customer C, item I, rentals R, items\_rent S, works\_at W, branch**  
where **I.item\_ID = S.item\_ID and S.trans\_ID = R.trans\_ID**  
**and R.cust\_ID = C.cust\_ID and R.method\_paid = "Visa"**  
**and R.empl\_ID = W.empl\_ID and W.branch\_ID = B.branch\_ID and**  
**B.address = "Alberta" and I.price >= 100**  
with **noise threshold = 0.05**  
display as **table**

# Designing Graphical User Interfaces Based on a Data Mining Query Language

- ❖ Data collection and data mining query composition
- ❖ Presentation of discovered patterns
- ❖ Hierarchy specification and manipulation
- ❖ Manipulation of data mining primitives
- ❖ Interactive multi-level mining
- ❖ Other miscellaneous information



## Summary: Five Primitives for Specifying a Data Mining Task

- task-relevant data
  - database/data warehouse, relation/cube, selection criteria, relevant dimension, data grouping
- kind of knowledge to be mined
  - characterization, discrimination, association...
- background knowledge
  - concept hierarchies,...
- interestingness measures
  - simplicity, certainty, utility, novelty
- knowledge presentation and visualization techniques to be used for displaying the discovered patterns
  - rules, table, reports, chart, graph, decision trees, cubes ...
  - drill-down, roll-up,....

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