INTRODUCTION TO SEMANTIC DATA MINING

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OUTLINE OF THE SEMINAR

- Introduction
 - the need for semantics, the knowledge discovery process, ontologies.
- Overview of some methods for semantic data mining:
 - Semantic enhancement in the mining process/tasks
 - Data transformation based on domain knowledge
 - Navigate extracted models
 - Languages for Data Mining (DMQL)

SEMANTICS

Semantics is the study of meaning*.

Semantic Data Mining means to get a meaning from the data mining task



WHY SEMANTIC DATA MINING?

- Data Mining: the extraction of useful and interesting knowledge from large masses of data
- However, Data Mining research put most of the effort on the algorithms development, efficiency, preprocessing, visualization...
- The evaluation of the results is done with statistical quantitative measures (precision, recall, similarity, coverage, confidence, etc)

... BUT

Which is the "real value" of the knowledge for the final users?

THE DATA MINING USER

Which user...?

Analyst User



The DM analyst knows how to run DM tools, but usually lacks domain knowledge

Final User/Domain Expert







The Domain Expert is usually a professional in a specific domain, not necessarily knows how to run a DM tool/process

THE DATA MINING USER

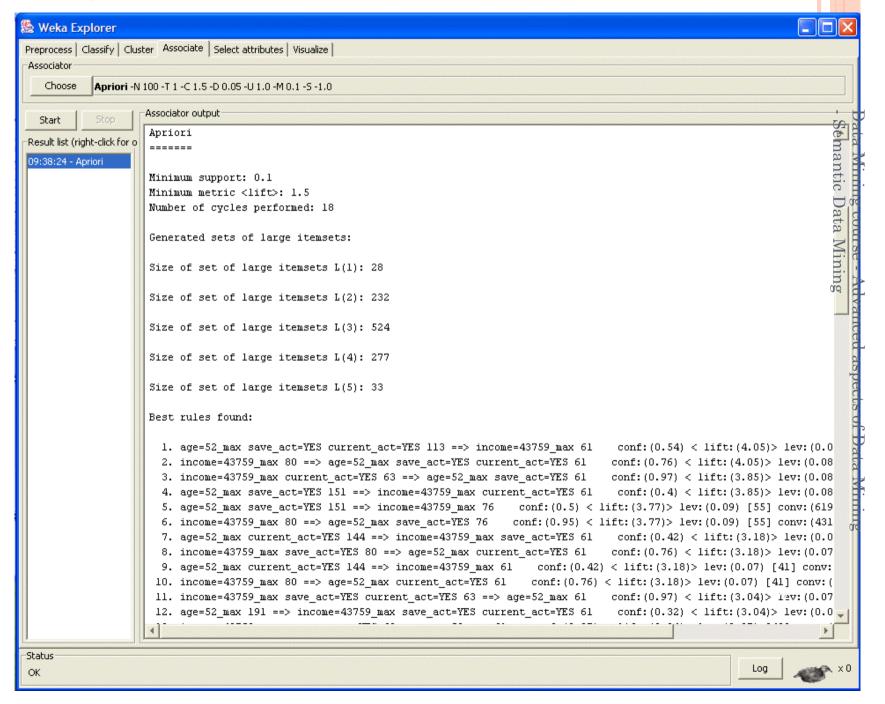


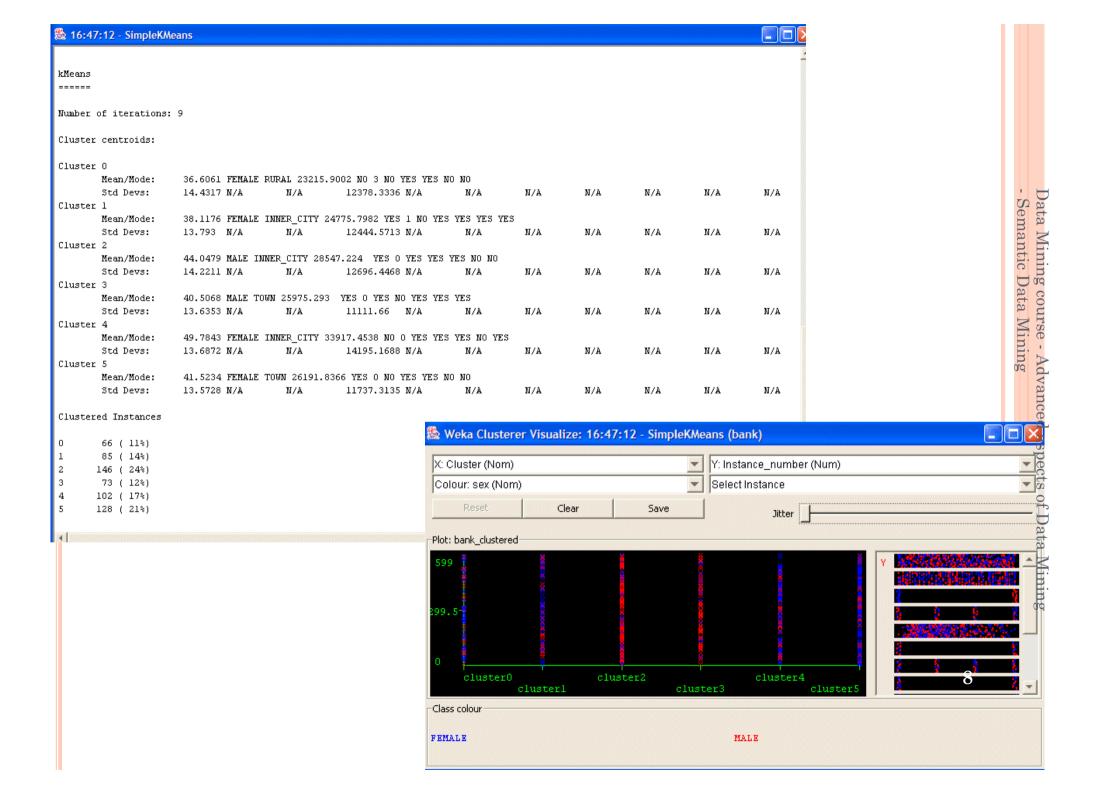




There is the need to take into account the knowledge coming from the domain experts

EXAMPLES







HOW TO ENRICH DATA MINING WITH SEMANTICS?



.... SEMANTIC ENRICHMENT!!!!!

Integrating semantics in the knowledge discovery process

WHICH SEMANTICS?

Semantics...

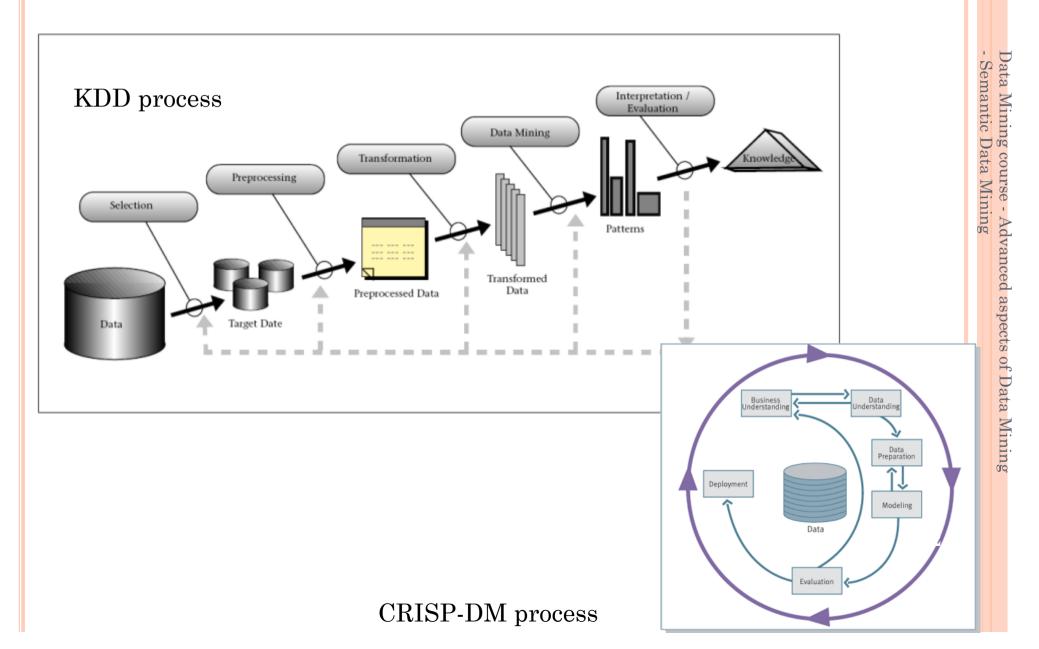
- May come explicitly from the domain expert
 - Example: the knowledge about symptoms and disease



- May be obtained from the context
 - Example: items that appears together with the pattern or the geographical area where an event happened, or specific attributes of the mined objects.



THE KNOWLEDGE DISCOVERY PROCESS



DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE

- Domain knowledge or background knowledge represents contextual information
- This knowledge usually comes from the domain expert. Therefore is difficult to obtain!
- For example, the knowledge about the correlation between given symptoms and a disease, the semantic relationships between items sold in a supermarket, etc.

Some patterns are well known (thus useless), others are unknown but useless, others are UNKNOWN and USEFUL

Milk sold together with cookies may be a well known correlation, while diapers with beer is unknown and interesting

SEMANTIC ENRICHMENT: WHEN, HOW AND WHERE?

WHEN enriching: one step or the entire data mining process?

Some approaches in the literature work on single steps others on the entire process, some apply semantic enrichment to pre or post preprocessing, etc.

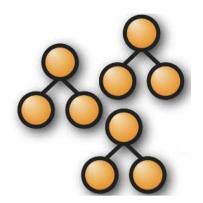
HOW to enrich the mining process/task?

transforming the datasets or modifying the algorithms or improving the postprocessing...

WHERE to store/represent semantics?

user may interact, but usually it is represented in ontologies or taxonomies

WHAT IS AN ONTOLOGY?



An ontology is a shared conceptualization of a domain

- A formal ontology is a set of definitions in a formal language for terms describing the world
- Ontologies are typically designed by an ontology engineer or a domain expert to formally represent some knowledge

ELEMENTS OF AN ONTOLOGY

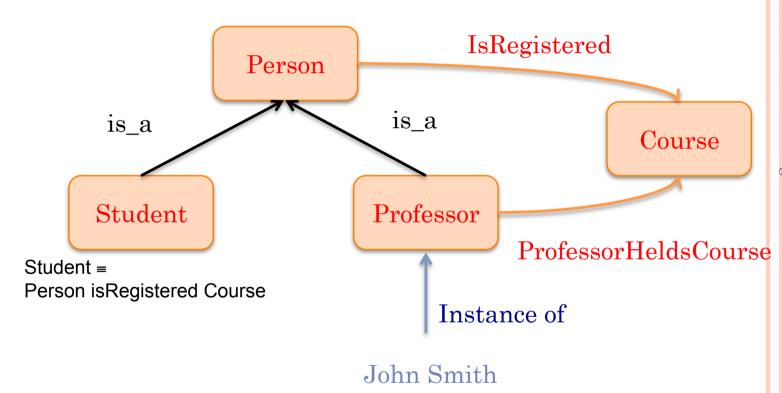
Main components of a formal ontology are:

- o Concepts (or classes): concepts of the domain.
 - Student, Course and Professor are three classes in a University ontology
- o Relationships between concepts.
 - professorHeldCourse may connect the classes Professor and Course.
- o Is_a hierarchy: represents the *kind of* relationship, or father-child, or subclass
 - A Student *isa* Person

ELEMENTS OF AN ONTOLOGY

- o Instances: are specific elements of the domain.
 - a professor called John Smith is an instance of the Professor class
- Axioms: represent formal sentences that are always true. Axioms are associated to classes thus defining the instances belonging to that class
 - A student is a person registered to a course

AN EXAMPLE OF AN ONTOLOGY



ONTOLOGY LANGUAGES



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- There are several languages used to define ontologies.
- A well known standard is OWL (Semantic web)
- Based on Description Logics
- An OWL file is a text file written in XML

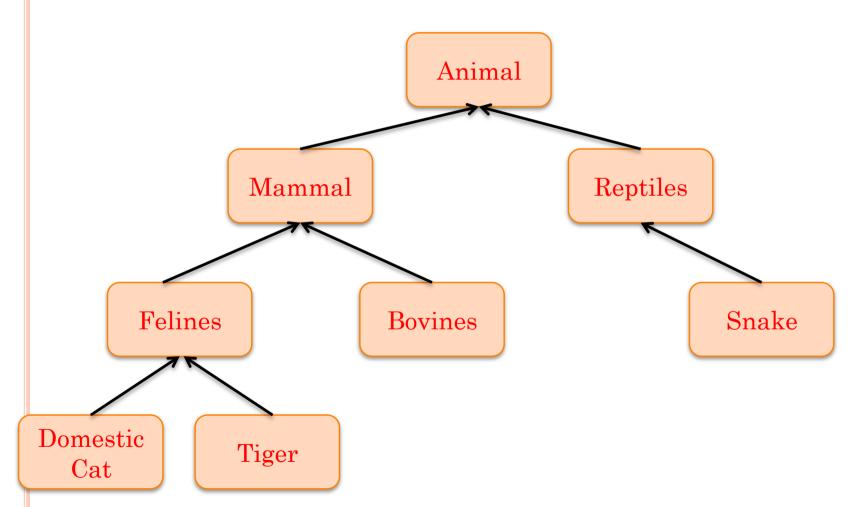
ONTOLOGY REASONERS



- Ontology languages are typically accompanied by an inference engine called reasoner
- It can perform some reasoning task:
 - subsumption check the subclass relationship and check if the ontology is consistent
 - instance checking checking if an instance belongs to a class.
- Usually in semantic data mining reasoners are not used and the ontology is used as a conceptual map describing domain knowledge

TAXONOMY

An ontology with only *is_a* relationships is called a taxonomy

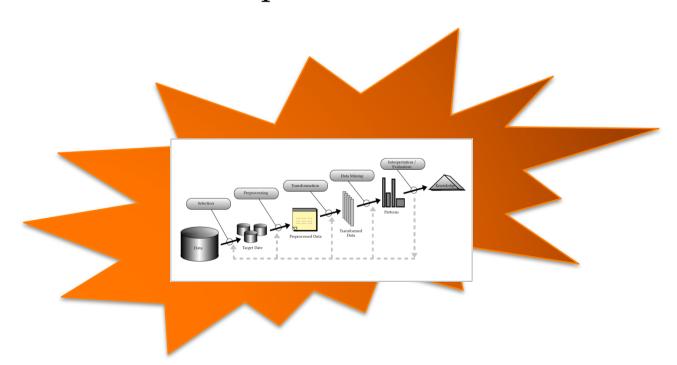


ORGANIZATION OF THE SURVEY

- Semantic enrichment applies to the whole knowledge discovery process or specific steps;
- Data preprocessing and postprocessing based on domain knowledge;
- Navigate the extracted pattern
 - Data Mining Query Languages

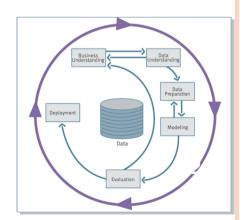
SEMANTIC ENRICHMENT OF THE PROCESS

Objective: integrate domain knowledge along the KDD/CRISP- DM process



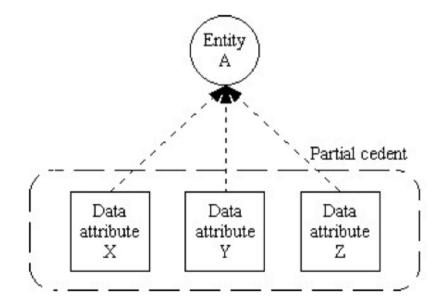
- Paper [1] describes domain knowledge in an ontology to be integrated to each step of the CRISP-DM process.
 - In Business Understanding ontologies help to get a better understanding of the domain
 - In Data Understanding map ontology elements to data. Discover missing/redundant attributes
 - In Data Preparation ontologies may help in selecting groups of attributes for DM tasks

- In the Modelling phase helps in designing the mining sessions
- In the Evaluation phase patterns may be interpreted in terms of background knowledge
- In the Deployment phase mining results are mapped back the ontology for the easily distribution of results

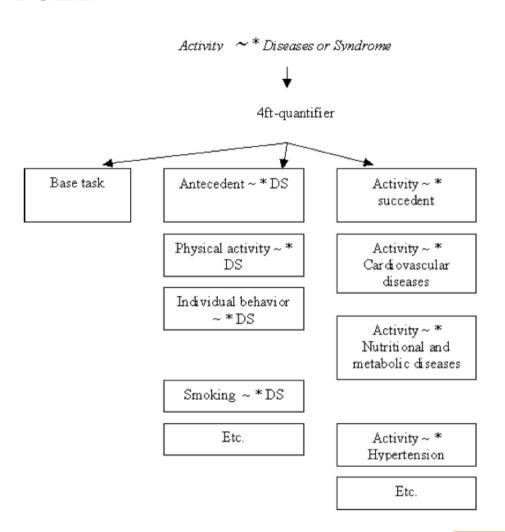


Experiment on a medical dataset

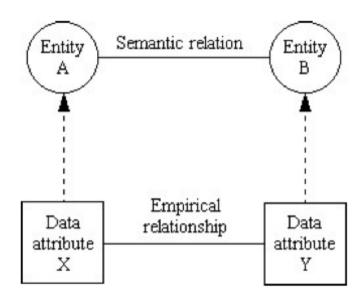
- Data Understanding: They mapped the STULONG* attributes to the UMLS[^] ontology → find redundant attributes
- Data Preparation: Grouped attributes into groups based on the ontology:



 Mining phase: Use ontologies to design the individual sessions of the mining tasks, conceptually more homogeneous



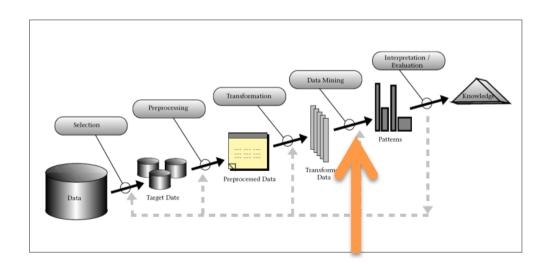
• Result Evaluation: Association rule results are matched to semantic relations that represents the explanation of the discovered association.



• Confirmation of prior knowledge, new knowledge compatible with prior knowledge, or conflict.



SEMANTIC ENRICHMENT OF DATA MINING TASKS



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- Approaches that adapt DM algorithms to integrate background knowledge
- Generally use ontologies and/or interactions with human experts
- Paper [1] proposes to use background knowledge introduced manually by the user as rules, to extract association rules that are consistent with the background knowledge.
- Association Rules are Confirmations, Exceptions or New Knowledge.

Modification of data mining algorithms

- In these approaches the data mining algorithms are modified to take into account semantics.
- Use of concept hierarchy or constraints
- Onto4AR [2] is an example of this kind of approaches

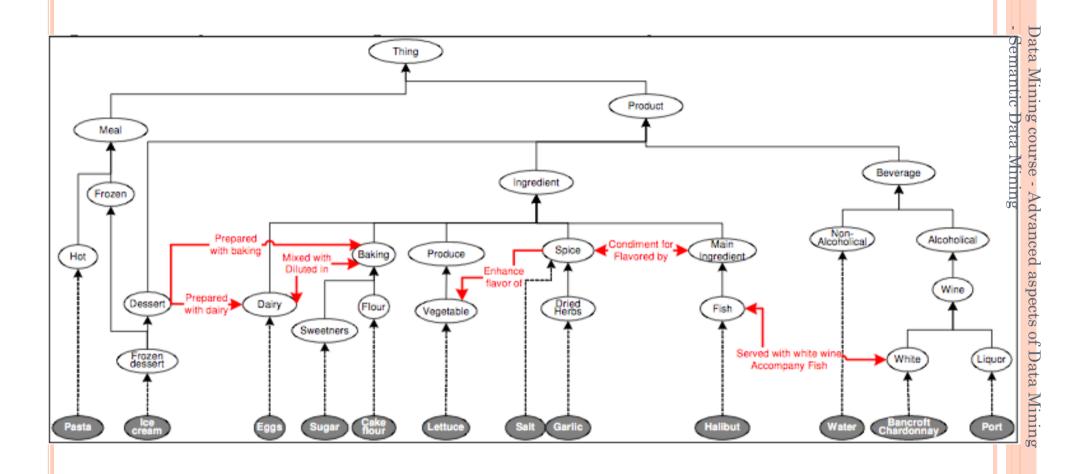
ONTO4AR: A FRAMEWORK FOR MINING ASSOCIATION RULES

This approach applies to association rules

• Aside the interestingness measures (confidence, etc.) they propose content constraints, both based on ontologies.

Given a transactions dataset D and an ontology O with instances I, find all association rules in the form $A \rightarrow B$ where A and B are disjoint itemsets of I that may occur on D, and the itemsets A and B satisfy a set of constraints C defined over O.

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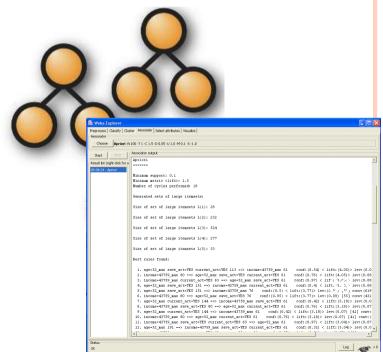
Constraints are used to prune the candidate generation. Two kinds of constraints:

- Taxonomical constraints based on the childparent relationship between classes
 - {Cake flour, Sugar} satisfies the same-family constraint since Baking is the common father.
- Non-taxonomical constraints based on the relations between classes
 - {Halibut, Bancroft Chardonnay} is strongly connected since there is a relation in the ontology between their parents

ONTO4AR

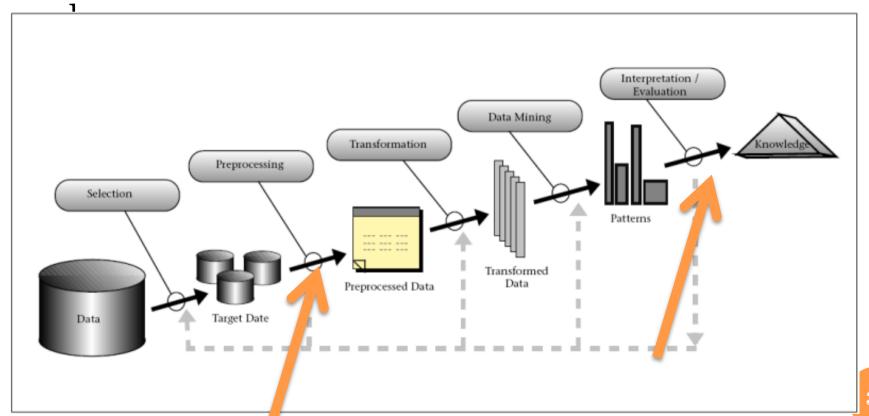
Frequent pattern mining algorithm is modified to add a pruning step: candidates that does not satisfy the constraints defined in the ontology are disregarded

REFINE INTERMEDIATE RESULTS WITH DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE



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These approaches consider semantics integration into the preprocessing and/or post processing

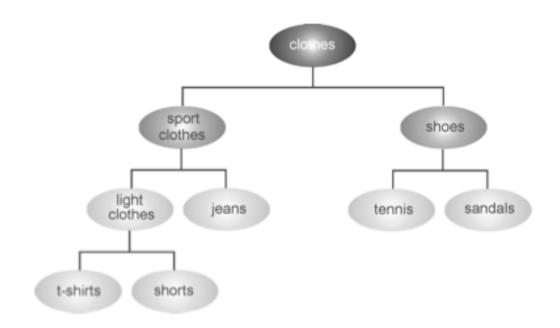


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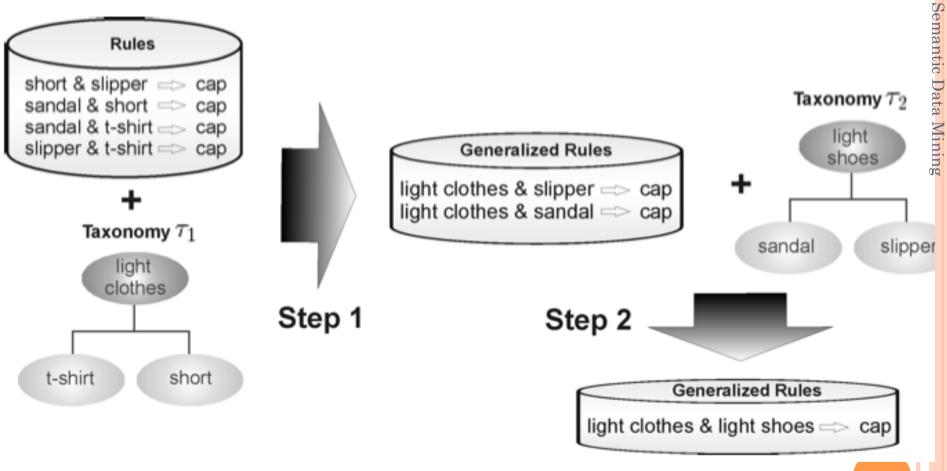
- Paper [1] proposed to match the source attributes with the corresponding ontology concepts
- Therefore the initial dataset is reduced incorporating some semantics coming form the ontology

REFINE INTERMEDIATE RESULTS WITH DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE: DATA POSTPROCESSING

• The GART approach: generalize association rules using taxonomies → reduce the number of rules



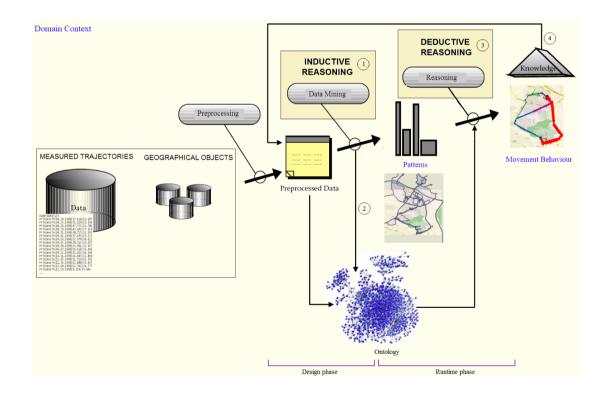
Using ontologies to facilitate the ANALYSIS OF ASSOCIATION RULES



Data Mining course - Advanced aspects of Data Mining

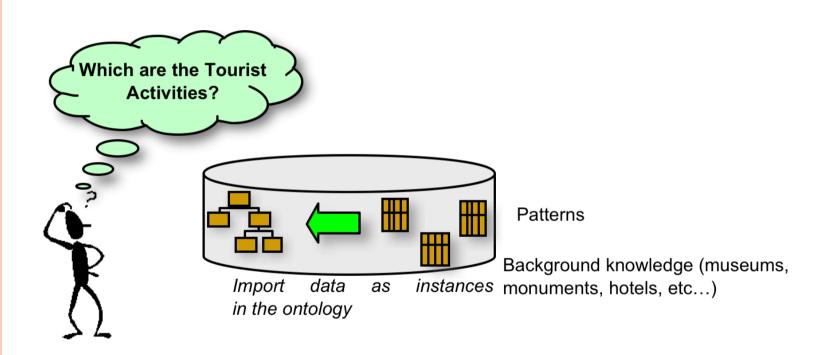
REFINE INTERMEDIATE RESULTS WITH DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE: DATA POSTPROCESSING

This approach uses ontologies to classify computed patterns into predefined ontology classes

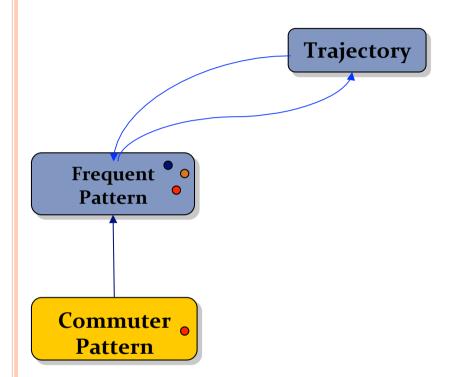


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TOWARDS SEMANTIC INTERPRETATION OF MOVEMENT BEHAVIOR



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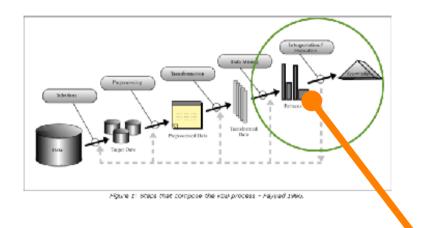


Trajectory data populates a domain ontology and the reasoning engine classifies trajectories into the class satisfying the concept definition (axiom).

Commuter Pattern = a pattern frequently starting outside the city, stopping inside the city for a long time and going back outside the city

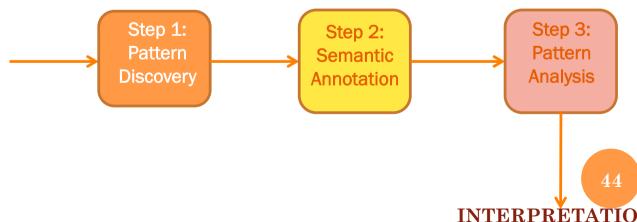


PATTERN INTERPRETATION FRAMEWORK FOR MOVEMENT DATA



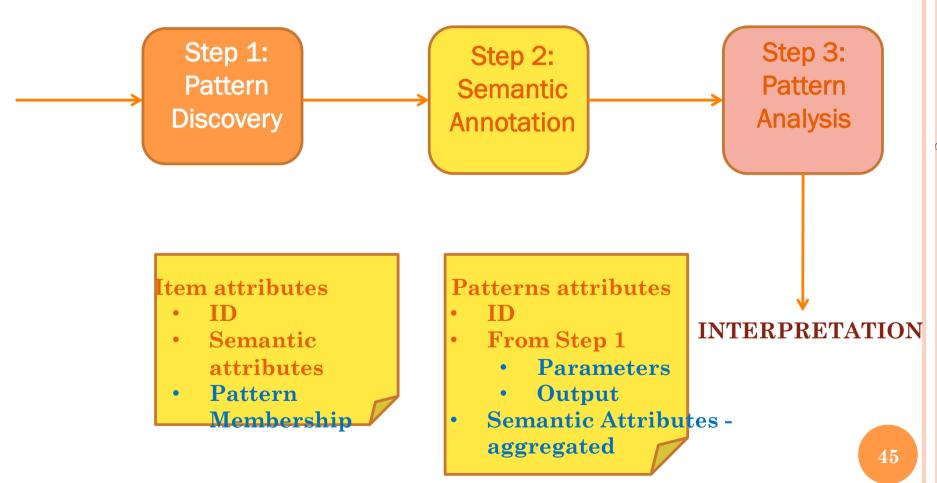
This method can be seen as a post processing but also a preprocessing.

Patterns are annotated with semantic information and then mined again

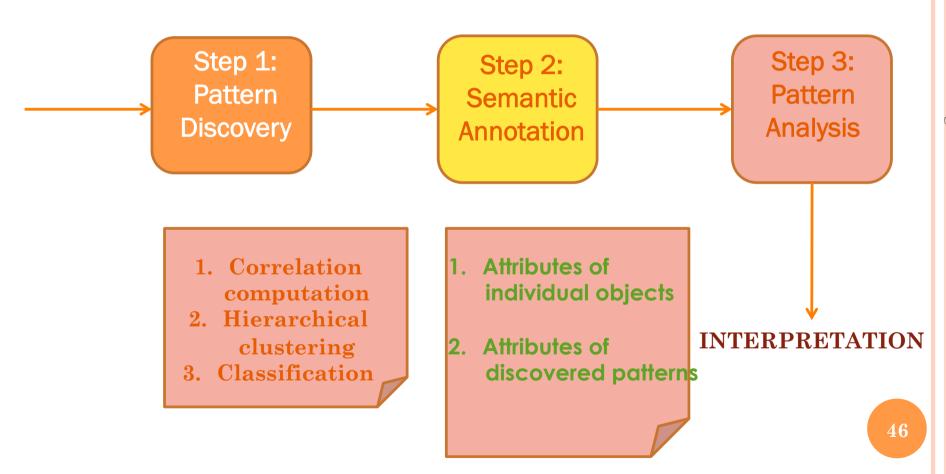


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STEP 2: SEMANTIC ANNOTATION

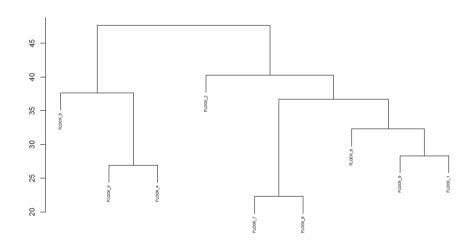


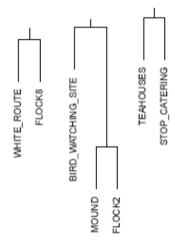
STEP 3: PATTERN ANALYSIS



PATTERN ANALYSIS

- This framework has been applied to mobility data from a dataset of pedestrians moving in a park.
- Semantics (annotations) comes from questionnaries filled by users.
- The objective is to mine patterns enriched with semantic information.







NAVIGATE THE EXTRACTED PATTERNS

The idea is to provide the user with a tool to navigate the extracted patterns in a meaningful way

USING ONTOLOGIES TO FACILITATE THE ANALYSIS OF ASSOCIATION RULES — GART [3]

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NAVIGATE PATTERNS - SEMANTIC ENHANCEMENT OF PATTERN STORAGE AND QUERYING

- Inductive database paradigm [6]
- Databases storing data and the inductively inferred patterns.
- Patterns are stored in the database and can be queried
- Approaches for a Data Mining Query Language

INDUCTIVE DATABASES

- In his pioneering work Mannila formalized the notion of Inductive Database as a relational database with inductive rules.
- The inductive database can be queried. For example association rule discovery can be expressed by a query

alarm	alarming	element	date	time	week	alarm	alarm
type	element	type				severity	text
1111	E1.1	ABC	980119	233605	4	1	LINK FAILURE
2222	E2	CDE	980119	233611	4	3	HIGH ERROR RATE
3333	A	EFG	980119	233627	4	1	CONNECTION NOT ESTABLISHED
4444	B2.1	GHI	980119	233628	4	2	LINK FAILURE

80	$e(r_0).f$	$e(r_0).c$
alarm_type=1111 ⇒ element_type=ABC	0.25	1.00
alarm_type=222 ⇒ alarming_element=E2, element_type=CDE	0.25	1.00
alarm_type=1111, element_type=ABC ⇒ alarm_text=LINK_FAILURE	0.25	1.00
alarm_type=5555 ⇒ alarm_severity=1	0.00	0.00

DATA MINING QUERY LANGUAGES - DMQL

- A data mining task can be specified in the form of a data mining query
- Create and manipulate data mining models through a SQL-based interface
- Abstract away the data mining particulars
- Data mining can be performed on data in the database
- Approaches differ on what kinds of models should be created, and what operations we should be able to perform

A DATA MINING QUERY:

A data mining query is defined in terms of data mining task primitives:

- The set of task-relevant data to be mined
- The kind of knowledge to be mined
- The background knowledge to be used in the discovery process
- The interestingness measures and thresholds for pattern evaluation
- The expected representation for visualizing the discovered patterns

DATA MINING QUERY LANGUAGES

The so-called closure property means that the results of data mining tasks can be stored and possibly mined again

It has been inspired by Inductive databases and enables to combine queries in sequences and scripts.

DMQL – Two Approaches

- The first one assumes that data and pattern storage systems and solvers are already embedded into a common system.
 - DMQL and MINE RULE are representative of this approach.
- A second approach assumes that storage systems are loosely coupled with solvers
 - OLE DB for DM (Microsoft). It is an API between different components that also provides a language for creating and filling extraction contexts, and then access them for manipulations and tests

DMQL - HAN ET AL.

- It has been designed to support various rule mining extractions: classification rules, association rules.
- Definition of meta-patterns, to restrict the syntactic aspect of the extracted rule
 - buy+ $(X,Y) \land town(X,Berlin) \Rightarrow buy(X,Z)$
 - restricts the search to association rules with implication between bought products for customers living in Berlin. Symbol + denotes that the predicate "buy" can appear several times in the left part of the rule.
 - also enables to define thresholds on the noise or novelty of extracted rules.
 - enables to define a hierarchy on attributes such that generalized association rules can be extracted.

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DMQL – HAN ET AL.

Syntax

```
use database <database name>
Specify background
              → {use hierarchy <hierarchy name> for
knowledge
                     <attribute>}
Specify rules to be
                → <rule spec>
discovered
Relevant attributes or
              → related to <attr or agg list>
aggregations
                   from <relation(s)>
Collect the set of
relevant data to mine
                   [where <conditions>]
                   [order by <order list>]
                   {with [<kinds of>] threshold =
Specify threshold
parameters
                     <threshold value> [for <attribute(s)>]
```

DMQL - EXAMPLE

```
use database Hospital
find association rules as Heart Health
related to Salary, Age, Smoker,
 Heart Disease
from Patient Financial f,
 Patient Medical m
where f.ID = m.ID and m.age >= 18
with support threshold = .05
with confidence threshold = .7
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MINE-RULE

Meo et al proposed an SQL operator called MINE RULE for mining association rules

MINE RULE SimpleAssociations AS

SELECT DISTINCT 1..n item AS BODY

1..1 item AS HEAD

SUPPORT, CONFIDENCE

FROM Purchase

GROUP BY transaction

EXTRACTING RULES WITH SUPPORT: 0.1

CONFIDENCE: 0.2

MINE-RULE

tr.	customer	item	date	price	q.ty
	customer ₁	ski_pants	12/17/95	140	1
1	customer ₁	hiking_boots	12/17/95	180	1
	customer ₂	col_shirts	12/18/95	25	2
2	customer ₂	brown_boots	12/18/95	150	1
	customer ₂	jackets	12/18/95	300	1
3	customer ₁	jackets	12/18/95	300	1
	customer ₂	col_shirts	12/19/95	25	3
4	customer ₂	jackets	12/19/95	300	2

Purchase



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BODY	HEAD	S.	C.
{ski_pants}	{hiking_boots}	0.25	1
{hiking_boots}	{ski_pants}	0.25	1
{col_shirts}	{brown_boots}	0.25	0.5
{col_shirts}	{jackets}	0.5	1
{brown_boots}	{col_shirts}	0.25	0.5
{brown_boots}	{jackets}	0.25	1
{jackets}	{col_shirts}	0.5	0.66
{jackets}	{brown_boots}	0.25	0.33
{col_shirts,brown_boots}	{jackets}	0.25	1
{col_shirts,jackets}	{brown_boots}	0.25	0.5
{brown_boots,jackets}	{col_shirts}	0.25	7.

Simple Associations

Advanced aspects of Data Mining

MINE-RULE

MINE-RULE can use taxonomies (as GART) for reducing the number of association rules

MINE RULE BootsPantsRule AS

SELECT DISTINCT item AS BODY,

item AS HEAD

SUPPORT, CONFIDENCE

WHERE HEAD.item IN (SELECT node FROM

ItemHierarchy WHERE ancestor=pants)

AND BODY.item IN (SELECT node FROM

ItemHierarchy WHERE ancestor=boots)

FROM Purchase
GROUP BY transaction
EXTRACTING RULES WITH SUPPORT: 0.1
CONFIDENCE: 0.2



node	ancestor	level
hiking_boots	hiking_boots	0
hiking_boots	boots	1
hiking_boots	shoes	2
brown_boots	brown_boots	0
brown_boots	normal_boots	1
brown_boots	boots	2
brown_boots	shoes	3

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

 Semantic Data Mining develops techniques to embed semantics into the knowledge discovery process

There is no a standard method to exploit semantics in KDD

• Some approaches (1) enrich the KDD process, others (2) preprocess semantics transforming the dataset or the postprocessing or (3) modify the DM algorithms to take into account semantics or (4) navigate the extracted models

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Semantic Data Mining is still in its infancy and the approaches are sometimes preliminary.



There are several open issues:

- 1. How to represent/embed semantics?
 - Ontology is the most used formalism, but how to build ontologies and to find a consensus is a drawback of this approach
 - Domain expert users are usually difficult to involve in the mining process they are not DM experts
- 2. How to evaluate/validate the results?
 - Having considered semantics in the knowledge discovery should guarantee that the patterns are "semantic-enriched".... but how to validate them?

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