# Data Mining - future directions, and past lessons 

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## Outline

- Credit where credit is due (12 foils)
- Future directions
- Past lessons: Listen
- To the data
- To domain-experts
- Conclusions


## Thank you!



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## (Great time for Data Science)

- Alexa/Siri/Cortana
- Self-driving cars
- Alpha-go



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- [how the brain works]



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## D1.3. Data \& 'cleanliness'

- Clicks, per hour of day
- NO periodicity
- BUT: single user, 1 query/10sec
- after removing him/her/it:
- YES

0h 24h
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 with Jure Leskovec (CMU -> Stanford)

and Jon Kleinberg (Cornell sabb. @ CMU)



Jure Leskovec, Jon Kleinberg and Christos Faloutsos: Graphs over Time: Densification Laws, Shrinking Diameters and Possible Explanations, KDD 2005

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- Diameter shrinks over time


## D2.1. Diameter - "Patents"

- Patent citation network
- 25 years of data
- @1999
- 2.9 M nodes
- 16.5 M edges



## D2.2. How many clusters?

- Eg.: clustering - k-means (or our favorite clustering algo)
- How many clusters are in the Sierpinski triangle?



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$\mathrm{K}=3$ clusters?
$\mathrm{K}=9$ clusters?

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- Wrong question! ('How many line segments, to model a circle')




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- But, does self-similarity appear in real life?



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B. Mandelbrot


The Fractal geometry of nature, 1982

2 pages of self-similar objects:

- Bark of trees
- Surface of mountains
- Human lungs
- Surface of mammalian brain


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- the red is true
- origin: Norway
- but most other coastlines are 'self-similar', too!



## E1.2. Disk traffic

- disk traces: self-similar:
- Mengzhi Wang, et. al.,Data Mining Meets Performance Evaluation: Fast Algorithms for Modeling Bursty Traffic, ICDE, 2002.
\#bytes



## E1.3. Web traffic

- [Crovella, Bestavros, SIGMETRICS'96]
$1000 \mathrm{sec} ; 100 \mathrm{sec}$
10 sec ; 1 sec





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\#neighbors
(log)


$$
\mathrm{N}(\mathrm{r})=\mathrm{r}^{\log (3) / \log (2)}=\mathrm{r}^{1.58}
$$

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Radius (log)
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## E2.1. : 2 x mass -> 2 x food?




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## Kleiberg's law:

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- Friends of friends are friends
- Any patterns?
- 2 x the friends, 2 x the triangles?



## E2.2.: Triangle Patterns [Tsourakakis ICDM 2008]




X-axis: degree
Y-axis: mean \# triangles $n$ friends $->\sim n^{1.6}$ triangles

## Triangle counting for large graphs?



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## Summary

- Golden age of Data Science / Data Mining
- Data:
- Never ‘clean’
- Often: surprises
- Domain experts - cross-disciplinarity:
- Help us avoid surprises


## Parting joke:

- Data scientists spend $80 \%$ of their time, cleaning data;


## Parting joke:

- Data scientists spend $80 \%$ of their time, cleaning data;
- And the rest $20 \%$ complaining about it.


## Thank you!

Listen to experts -> Reach out


Listen to data


